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Callus induction and plantlet regeneration in *Aegle marmelos* (L.) Corr. Using cotyledon explants

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Abstract

A protocol was developed for callus induction and shoot regeneration from cotyledon explants of *Aegle marmelos* (L.) Corr., a medicinal tree. Murashige and Skoog (MS) medium supplemented with benzyl adenine (2.2 μ M) and 2,4-dichlorophenoxy acetic acid (2.26 μ M) recorded the highest growth score for callus induction and proliferation. Shoot regeneration response from the callus was best on MS medium containing 8.8 μ M benzyl adenine and 2.85 μ M indole-3- acetic acid. Callus derived shoots were rooted in vitro on MS medium supplemented with 12.3 μ M indole-3- butyric acid. The plantlets were acclimatized in sand and transferred to the field.

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