



# Plant Tissue Culture in Two Varieties of *Orthosiphon aristatus* (Blume) Miq



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## Abstract

*Orthosiphon aristatus* has been widely used traditionally for treating several diseases and conditions such as diuretics, rheumatism, abdominal pain, inflammation of the kidneys and bladder, edema, gout, and hypertension. *O. aristatus* varieties are white flowers, purple flowers, and white-purple flowers. The most populated *O. aristatus* is purple and white purple shades, but the most commonly used for treatment is purple variety *O. aristatus*. The content of metabolites the main secondary to *O. aristatus* is sinensetin, rosmarinic acid, and eupatorin. The level of secondary metabolites in the *O. aristatus* is still small, so efforts need to be made to increase their level, one of which is plant tissue culture techniques. In this experiment, callus and shoot induction were carried out from two varieties of *O. aristatus*. Leaf explants of two varieties of *O. aristatus* were grown on Murashige and Skoog (MS) media with the addition of 3% sucrose and for the induction of callus growth regulators supplemented with 0.4 ppm 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (2,4-D), whereas for the induction of shoots the growth regulator added were 2 ppm 6-Benzyl Amino Purine (BAP) and 2 ppm 1-Naphtalen Acetic Acid. Based on the observations, the emergence of callus and shoots occurred more quickly in white purple variety than that of purple variety.

**Keywords:** Plant tissue culture; *O. aristatus*. purple and white-purple varieties; Callus and Shoots

## Introduction

*O. aristatus* in Southeast Asia, are widely used to treat rheumatoid disease, diabetes, hypertension, inflammation of the tonsils, epilepsy, impaired menstruation, gonorrhoea, syphilis, disorders of the kidney, gall stones, lithiasis, edema, fever, and hepatitis Ameer [1]. The leaves were introduced to Europe and Japan as health tea. *O. aristatus* are very well known for their diuretic effects, which are stronger than any other natural diuretic. For urinary tract infections treated with fresh leaf decoction is taken twice a day. The dry leaf decoction is often used for the treatment of dysuria. The entire plant is either dried or fresh used to treat kidney stones by traditional medical practitioners Muslihah [2]. People in the Philippines also process decoction of leaves of *O. aristatus* to get rid of gout De Padua LS [3]. The young twigs and *O. aristatus* are used to treat back pain in Malaysia Chai [4]. According to Lai Keng & Poay Siong [5] diversity of *O. aristatus* plants, morphology generally can be seen from the morphology of flowers and leaves. Observation the morphology of *O. stamineus* shows that purple varieties have a tinge of deafness on the white crown and have colored petals dark red. The leaves are ovoid, green with yellow spots on the upper and lower surfaces of the leaves and the bones of the leaves are purple. The white variety has white flowers and colored petals green. The leaves are rhombic, green and the bones of the leaves light green.

*O. aristatus* are conventionally propagated through cuttings and seeds. The study shows that plant *O. aristatus* that grow on the ground produce inconsistent bioactive compounds Lee [6]. This issue, along with a variety growth harbor plant in the land, has resulted in plant material *O. aristatus* that have a non-uniform quality. In vitro, culture techniques such as plant tissue culture can be used as an alternative way to produce plants with uniform quality and quantity of secondary metabolites.

## Sterilized Explants

Sterilization of explants two varieties *O. aristatus* is done by washing the leaves in running water and soaking them in a detergent solution for 5 minutes, then soaking them with dithane-45 0.2% solution for 5 minutes. In the laminar airflow cabinet, sterilization is continued by soaking explants in succession, ie at alcohol 70% for 1 minute, bayclin 20% plus 3 drops of tween 80 for 5 minutes, then rinsed with sterile water three times.

## Callus Induction Two Varieties *Orthosiphon aristatus* (Blume) Miq

Sterile leaf explants two varieties *O. aristatus* are cut to a size of approximately 1 cm and then planted on the treatment medium MS + Sucrose 3% + 2.4 D 0.4 ppm. Explants that had been planted

in culture bottles were stored in an incubator at 22 °C. Long irradiation with lights 12 hours per day. Observation every day for 3 weeks after planting.

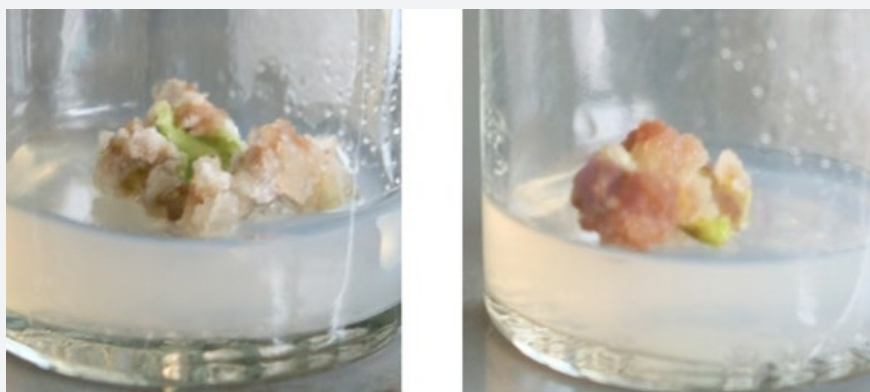
**Shoot Induction Two Varieties *Orthosiphon aristatus* (Blume) Miq**

Sterile leaf explants two varieties *O. aristatus* are cut to a size of approximately 1 cm and then planted on the treatment media MS + Sucrose 3% + BAP 2 ppm + NAA 2 ppm. Explants that had been planted in culture bottles were stored in an incubator at 22 °C. Long irradiation with lights 12 hours per day. Observation every day for 1 month after planting.

**Results and Discussion**

Sterilization of the leaves explants of two varieties of *O. aristatus* using alcohol 70% for 1 minute and bayclin 20% plus 80 tween for 5 minutes can give good results where the growth media are not easily overgrown with bacteria and fungi for 3 months observation. In the callus induction of two varieties of *O. aristatus* with MS media + 3% sucrose + 2.4 D 0.4 ppm. After 6 days of ob-

servation, the white purple varieties callus were formed, while the purple varieties formed callus on the 11th day and after 3 weeks of observation of the white purple varieties callus showed a larger size than the purple varieties (Figure 1). In shoots induction of two varieties of *O. aristatus* with MS medium + 3% sucrose + BAP 2 ppm + NAA 2 ppm. After 22 days of observation, new shoots were formed in the white purple varieties, whereas in purple varieties no shoots have formed (Figure 2). Growth regulators are needed as a media component for growth and differentiation. Without the addition of growth regulators in the medium, growth is very inhibited and may not even grow at all. The formation of plant organs is determined by the use of appropriate growth regulators Hendaryanto & Wijayani [7]. This substance is active at low concentrations and toxic at high concentrations. At this time there are six groups of growth regulators known as auxin, gibberellins, cytokinins, abscisic acid (ABA), ethylene, and retardant. Auxin functions for cell division, cell extension, tissue enlargement, and root formation. At high concentrations will stimulate callus growth but inhibit the growth of shoots and roots.



**Figure 1:** *O. Aristatus* callus of white purple varieties (a) and purple varieties (b) after incubation for 3 weeks on MS media + 3% sucrose + 2.4 D 0.4 ppm.



**Figure 2:** *O. Aristatus* shoots of white purple varieties (a) and purple varieties (b) after incubation for 1 month on MS media + 3% sucrose + BAP 2 ppm + NAA 2 ppm.

The most effective hormones are 2.4 dichlorophenoxy acetic acid (2,4 D), naphthalene acetic acid (NAA), indole acetic acid

(IAA), indole butyric acid (IBA), and pchlorophenoxy acetic acid (pCPA). Cytokines function in shoots induction. Materials that are

often used include kinetin, benzyl adenine (BA) or 6-benzyl amino purine (BAP), zeatin, and isophentenyladenine (2iP). At high concentrations (1 to 10 mg / L) can encourage bud growth, but can inhibit root growth Zulkarnain [8]. The difference in callus and shoot growth time in the two varieties of *O. aristatus* can be due to genetic differences that exist between the two varieties, as some researchers have previously reported. Research at the genetic level on *O. aristatus* has been carried out, according to Tnah [9] where microsatellite markers tested can be used to distinguish between white and purple varieties. Other research reported fingerprinting based on molecular data to show that 28 accessions *O. aristatus* divided by two main groups. Varieties are categorized as white variety *O. aristatus*, while Kluster II is purple variety *O. aristatus*. Results of phylogenetic tree analysis showed that two varieties of white and purple *O. aristatus* are divided into several subspecies Nurul [10]. A species can contain two or more subspecies which usually have some genetic differences compared to each other USDA [11].

## Perspective and Conclusion

The addition of growth regulator 2.4 D 0.4 ppm and BAP 2 ppm + NAA 2 ppm can induce callus and shoots of *O. aristatus*. Callus and shoots are more quickly formed in the white purple variety. These results form the basis of the development of tissue culture from two varieties of a variety of. A callus that is formed into the raw material of cell suspension culture is modified by the addition of precursors and elicitors, so as to increase the levels of secondary metabolites. The shoots formed will then be planted in soil media (acclimatization) to produce seedlings of *O. aristatus* that have good quality and quantity of secondary metabolites.

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