

## Assessment of collection samples and kinds of winter rape as to resistance to low temperatures at the level of microgametophyte

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**The purpose.** Assessment of cold resistance of selection material by male gametophyte, determination of optimum reduced temperature regimen for sprouting blossom dust, selection of cold-resistant genotypes with their further use in selection process for creation on their base of kinds and hybrids with high ecological toughness. **Methods.** Method of sprouting of blossom dust in nutrient medium in conditions of action of the factor. Cold resistance was assessed by ability of blossom dust to germinate and form long pollen tubes. **Results.** Sprouting of blossom dust in conditions of cold caused decrease of percentage of sprouting and length of pollen tubes in experimental alternatives. Temperature regimens  $2\pm 1$  and  $3\pm 1$  °C have greater selective action in comparison with temperature regimens  $5\pm 1$  and  $7\pm 1$  °C and can be offered as optimum for cold sprouting of blossom dust. **Conclusions.** It is determined that cold sprouting of blossom dust in nutrient medium in greater extent influenced percentage of germination of blossom dust, than length of pollen tubes. Average extent of lowering by attributes has made accordingly 72,7 and 41,5%. For the further selection researches 3 kinds which have manifested durability to cold to both attributes are offered.

**Key words:** *gametophyte, pollen tubes, freezing, nutrient medium, extent of lowering.*

The purpose of research is to assess the breeding material cold resistance of male gametophyte, the optimal low temperature conditions for germination of pollen, allocation of genotypes resistant to cold, further involving them in the selection process to create on their basis of varieties and hybrids with high ecological plasticity.

For the task used method of pollen germination in nutrient medium in terms of factors. Cold is assessed by the ability of pollen to germinate and form pollen tubes in many research options compared with the control.

Sprouting pollen in cold caused a decrease in the percentage of germination and reduce the length of pollen tubes in the experimental variants. Temperature regimes  $2\pm 1$  °C and  $3\pm 1$  °C discovered a more selective effect compared with  $5\pm 1$  °C and  $7\pm 1$  °C and can be proposed as the optimal temperatures for cold germination of pollen.

Established that cold pollen germination in nutrient medium to a greater extent affected the germination percentage of pollen than the length of pollen tubes, the average rate of decline for these signs was respectively 72.7 % and 41.5 %. The analysis identified decline in stable and unstable genotypes. For further breeding research offered three varieties that have expressed resistance to cold on both grounds.

The method of cold germination of pollen can be offered as an accelerated evaluation methods of large collections of rape, allocation of genotypes resistant to cold, creation on their base genotypes bank plastic to be used in breeding programs of environmental direction.

**Introduction.** Unfavorable conditions of hibernation of winter rape in the Southeast of Ukraine often lead to complete or partial death of crops. One of the main tasks faced by domestic breeders is the creation of varieties and hybrids of winter rape resistant to local cultivation conditions. One of the first conditions for solving the problem is to explore the potential of the gene pool in order to detect and attract

heat-resistant genotypes from it, and the creation on their basis of varieties and hybrids resistant to temperature factors.

Conducting an estimation of adaptive possibilities of the gene pool on the basis of the application of the most effective methods of diagnostics of resistance allows to analyze in a short period of a large number of genotypes under the resistance to the action of extreme temperatures.

Currently, for the determination of temperature-resistant genotypes, the method of evaluation for male gametophytes is used, which allows a mass estimation of the gene pool in a short period of time [1-5]. The method of estimation by the male gametophyte has been worked out on many crops and, from the conditions of the creation of the temperature background, can be carried out in two directions: preliminary treatment of pollen with stress temperatures and further germination thereof in the nutrient medium or germination of pollen in the nutrient medium against the background of the action of the selective factor [6-11].

The time and temperature modes of pollen germination in the nutrient medium in the low temperature were selected, the influence of this factor on certain pollen quality was studied, and the evaluation of the resistance to the lower temperatures by the male gametophyte of 34 sorts and winter rape varieties was given.

The purpose of the research is to evaluate the cold resistance of the breeding material on the male gametophyte and to allocate stable genotypes for their further involvement in the breeding process and the creation on their base of cold resistant varieties and hybrids with high ecological plasticity.

To evaluate the cold resistance of the samples, the method of germination in the nutrient medium of the pollen was used under the conditions of the factor. Several temperature regimes have been selected in order to obtain more objective data regarding the precise differentiation of samples on this basis. The pollen was collected in the morning from 30-35 flowers of the same sample, carefully mixed and a small amount of it was stirred in 2-3 drops of the nutrient medium [12] on a slide glass, which was placed on softened filter paper in a Petri dish. Further, the experimental variants were placed in a refrigerating chamber and sprouted for  $24 \pm 1$  hours at low positive temperature. The control variant pollen was sprouted for 2 hours in a thermostat at a temperature of  $24 \pm 1$  °C.

The cold resistance of the sample was determined by the degree of reduction in the percentage of germination of pollen and the length of pollen tubes in experimental variants compared with the control ones. The degree of reduction of indicators was determined by the formula:

$$X = (K-O) / K \times 100\%$$

where K - percentage of germination, length of pollen tubes in control; Oh - the percentage of germination, the length of pollen tubes in the experiment. Experiments were carried out in 3 replicates. Statistical processing of the results was carried out according to generally accepted methods with the help of applied programs at the PWEF.

**Research results.** As a result of the studies, the influence of the lowered temperatures on the germination of the pollen and the length of the pollen tubes was determined. According to the experiment in the experimental variants, all the selected temperature regimes led to a decrease in the analyzed parameters. Temperature regimes  $5 \pm 1$  °C and  $7 \pm 1$  °C have less rigid influence on germination of pollen (Table 1). The maximum degree of reduction on this basis amounted to 84.3% for the Optima variety, the minimum - 27.0% for the Senate variety. The degree of reduction of germination of pollen in the mail half of varieties in this case was not higher than 50%, and the average for all grades - 56.2%. With the application of lower temperatures  $2 \pm 1$  °C and  $3 \pm 1$  °C, this indicator increased in all samples analyzed. Two thirds of them had a degree of reduction of more than 80%, the maximum of which was 99.5% - the Kata variety. With the exception of the Solo variety, which had a minimum degree of germination of pollen - 30.5%, in other samples, the indicator was higher than 50%, and the average for all grades - 80.3%. It should be noted that the degree of decline on this basis had a significant level of significance in the application of all temperature regimes and in all samples.

**Table 1. Influence of prolonged germination in a nutrient medium under conditions of reduced temperature on sprout of winter rape, %**

№ p/p	Name of the variety / varietal specimen	Germination temperature	Germination of pollen		
			Control	Experience	Degree of decline
1	Cornet	7±1°C	28,7	10,0	<b>64,1**</b>
2	Champion		54,6	10,9	<b>79,3***</b>
3	Optima		40,0	6,1	<b>84,3***</b>
4	F <sub>1</sub> 32	5±1°C	46,0	6,3	<b>84,0***</b>
5	Panther		40,1	11,9	<b>70,3***</b>
6	Tenor		58,2	24,6	<b>57,2*</b>
7	Cheremosh		73,9	35,7	<b>52,0*</b>
8	Antaria		38,1	19,9	<b>42,1*</b>
9	Senator		43,6	32,2	<b>27,0*</b>
10	Steluza		73,2	15,7	<b>78,6***</b>
11	Solo		42,0	28,8	<b>29,4*</b>
12	Anna		60,4	39,6	<b>34,1*</b>
13	Atlant		56,9	24,43	<b>54,9*</b>
14	Champion		71,9	26,6	<b>63,0**</b>
15	Harnes		59,4	30,9	<b>48,3*</b>
16	Legion		77,6	49,8	<b>36,7**</b>
17	Loris		80,6	39,9	<b>50,5*</b>
18	Solo	3±1°C	62,5	43,1	<b>30,5*</b>
19	Steluza		68,7	24,2	<b>65,1**</b>
20	Atlant		69,7	22,3	<b>68,0**</b>
21	Anna		68,3	33,1	<b>51,3*</b>
22	33		65,4	3,4	<b>94,7***</b>
23	35		63,5	5,9	<b>90,6***</b>
24	36		56,2	1,6	<b>97,0***</b>
25	Senator		55,9	5,2	<b>90,6***</b>
26	Vectra		44,1	3,3	<b>92,5***</b>
27	Dema		68,2	3,6	<b>94,7***</b>
28	ДР-13Н		62,6	10,0	<b>84,0***</b>
29	Djesper		46,3	7,0	<b>84,9***</b>
30	RPC-2031		37,9	4,9	<b>86,7***</b>
31	Black velvet		58,0	5,0	<b>91,5***</b>
32	H-450		61,1	4,9	<b>92,1***</b>
33	K-571		61,2	3,7	<b>94,0***</b>
34	Milena		47,5	14,7	<b>69,4**</b>
35	RPC-2031		41,1	14,3	<b>65,8**</b>
36	RPC-2031		51,5	1,4	<b>97,0***</b>
37	NS-O-6		40,5	7,6	<b>81,8***</b>
38	NS-O-14		53,3	11,6	<b>78,1***</b>
39	NS-O-20		55,8	13,1	<b>76,4***</b>
40	NS-O-2		44,8	10,7	<b>76,5***</b>
41	Kata		42,0	0,3	<b>99,5***</b>
42	Mira		71,4	27,9	<b>60,6**</b>
43	Galicky	46,9	6,9	<b>86,3***</b>	

44	Loris	2±1°C	66,0	24,6	<b>58,9*</b>
45	Atlant		70,7	21,4	<b>70,1**</b>
46	Loris		68,1	10,7	<b>84,1***</b>
47	Solo		59,0	12,7	<b>78,4***</b>
48	Anna		64,6	30,3	<b>51,2*</b>
49	Steluza		67,4	33,0	<b>51,9*</b>
50	Rokhan		74,0	1,6	<b>97,7***</b>
51	Chelsi		31,5	0,7	<b>97,9***</b>
52	Panther		64,0	3,8	<b>93,7***</b>
53	Lirajet		67,8	5,1	<b>92,3***</b>
54	Expres		60,3	4,1	<b>97,3***</b>

\* , \*\* , \*\*\* - the difference is significant at  $p \leq 0,01$ , 0.05 and 0.001, respectively

On the basis of the length of the pollen tubes (Table 2) under conditions of higher temperatures of  $5 \pm 1$  °C and  $7 \pm 1$  °C the degree of decline in the test in experimental variants ranged from negative indicators -3.1% and -8.2% (Cornet and Tenor ) to 47% (Champion). In all samples, the indicator in this case was below 50%, and the average in grades was 26.6%. When applying a tougher background  $2 \pm 1$  °C and  $3 \pm 1$  °C in the group of analyzed samples, the difference between the control and trial variants increased. The maximum degree of reduction was 83.1% (Kata), the minimum - 23.9% (Stylutza), and the average in grades - 48.3%. Thus, the average indicator, from the conditions of use of lower temperatures, increased almost 2 times. It should be noted that the significance level was significant in almost all samples. If we compare the average data from both indicators, then at application of  $5 \pm 1$  °C and  $7 \pm 1$  °C on the first indicator it made 56,2%, on the second - 26,6%, at application  $2 \pm 1$  °C and  $3 \pm 1$  °C, respectively, 80, 3% and 48.3%. The average indices for reducing the germination of pollen and the length of pollen tubes in the experiment in all temperature regimes were respectively 72.7% and 41.5%. In this way, the cold germination of pollen in the nutrient medium to a greater extent affected the percentage of germination of the pollen than the length of the pollen tubes.

**Table 2. Influence of prolonged germination of the winter rapeseed pollen in a nutrient medium under reduced temperature on the length of pollen tubes**

№ p/p	Name of the variety / varietal specimen	Germination temperature	Length of pollen tube <sup>1</sup>		
			Control	Experience	Degree of decline
1	Cornet	7±1°C	9,3±0,49	9,5±0,86	<b>-3,1</b>
2	Champion		15,1±0,98	7,5±0,53	<b>47,0**</b>
3	Optima		10,8±0,49	6,7±0,44	<b>37,6*</b>
4	F.32	5±1°C	15,6±2,19	12,2±3,18	<b>23,0</b>
5	Panther		11,4±1,35	6,3±0,58	<b>41,5*</b>
6	Tenor		8,5±0,67	9,1±0,74	<b>-8,2</b>
7	Cheremosh		12,1±1,65	7,6±0,41	<b>35,0*</b>
8	Antaria		8,6±0,42	7,2±0,42	<b>15,4</b>
9	Senator		8,7±0,30	7,4±0,34	<b>14,4</b>
10	Steluza		12,7±0,61	8,9±0,44	<b>30,2*</b>
11	Solo		11,4±0,41	9,2±0,45	<b>19,9</b>
12	Anna		11,1±0,65	9,8±0,55	<b>9,6</b>
13	Atlant		16,6±0,96	9,2±0,37	<b>43,4**</b>
14	Champion		10,6±0,47	7,2±0,32	<b>31,6**</b>
15	Harnes		11,7±0,66	6,6±0,31	<b>43,2**</b>
16	Legion		12,6±0,68	7,1±0,39	<b>43,3**</b>
17	Loris		10,0±0,53	7,1±0,33	<b>27,7*</b>

18	Solo	3±1°C	9,2±0,30	6,3±0,38	31,5*	
19	Steluza		10,4±0,47	7,8±0,48	23,9*	
20	Atlant		11,7±0,42	8,0±0,38	31,1*	
21	Anna		10,5±0,27	5,8±0,28	43,1*	
22	33		10,3±0,39	5,6±0,29	45,4*	
23	35		8,2±0,37	5,6±0,37	31,4*	
24	36		13,9±0,50	5,1±0,36	60,5***	
25	Senator		12,5±0,59	6,6±0,44	47,3**	
26	Vectra		13,5±0,58	5,3±0,35	60,3***	
27	Dema		9,0±0,45	4,7±0,28	47,0***	
28	ДР-13Н		8,1±0,41	5,6±0,31	31,0***	
29	Djesper		7,6±0,42	5,6±0,30	27,1*	
30	RPC-2031		8,3±0,48	5,0±0,25	40,4***	
31	Black velvet		9,6±0,43	4,8±0,30	49,8***	
32	H-450		3±1°C	9,6±0,54	4,7±0,27	51,4***
33	K-571	9,1±0,44		4,3±0,19	52,7***	
34	Milena	10,9±0,55		4,7±0,22	56,5***	
35	RPC-2031	9,5±0,48		5,3±0,23	44,4***	
36	RPC-2031	13,1±0,63		5,2±1,0	60,0***	
37	NS-O-6	7,4±0,30		4,4±0,22	40,0***	
38	NS-O-14	8,1±0,33		4,4±0,18	46,1***	
39	NS-O-20	11,6±0,33		4,3±0,14	62,5***	
40	NS-O-2	7,1±0,28		3,8±0,1	46,5***	
41	Kata	6,3±0,23		1,2±0,32	83,1***	
42	Mira	9,6±0,46		4,6±0,20	52,0***	
43	Galicky	8,3±0,39		3,4±0,11	58,8***	
44	Loris	10,5±0,30		5,7±0,25	45,1***	
45	Atlant	2±1°C		11,6±0,71	6,2±0,29	46,7***
46	Loris			13,4±0,70	6,9±0,38	48,3***
47	Solo		9,7±0,67	5,8±0,53	39,5***	
48	Anna		10,6±0,62	4,6±0,41	55,5***	
49	Steluza		10,5±0,99	7,5±0,42	29,2*	
50	Rokhan		11,7±0,60	5,0±0,51	57,2***	
51	Chelsi		13,7±0,49	4,7±0,43	65,3***	
52	Panther		11,1±0,74	4,6±0,45	56,8***	
53	Lirajet		14,7±0,92	4,2±0,19	71,4***	
54	Expres		8,2±0,44	4,2±0,75	48,8***	

\*, \*\*, \*\*\* - the difference is significant at  $p \leq 0,01$ , 0.05 and 0.001, respectively

1-length of pollen tubes is indicated in microscope eyepiece-micrometer divisions

All analyzed varieties and sorts were identified as stable and unstable according to the degree of decline in the experimental variants. These genotypes have respectively the maximum low or high values of the lowering stage. But a group of unconditionally stable samples and varieties that had a low degree of decline on both signs were included at the same time Senator, Solo and Anna. Varieties and sorted specimens with the highest degree of decline on both signs were classified as unstable, respectively, Vectra, Kata, Lirajet, Chelsea and 36, RPC-2031. All other varieties, depending on the temperature of the treatment of pollen, showed a different degree of resistance to cold on the grounds.

### Conclusions

Germination of pollen under cold conditions caused a decrease in the percentage of germination and the length of pollen tubes in experimental variants compared with cathodic. The degree of reduction of the

indices in the experimental variants with the application of all temperature regimes was significant in almost all analyzed samples. Temperature regimes of  $2 \pm 1$  °C and  $3 \pm 1$  °C have a more selective effect compared to  $5 \pm 1$  °C and  $7 \pm 1$  °C. Cold sprouting of the pollen in the nutrient medium to a greater extent affected the percentage of germination of the pollen than the length of the pollen tubes. The different reaction to low temperature of microhametophyte of studied genotypes of winter rape allowed to differentiate them from resistance to cold on stable and unstable. For further breeding studies in order to create cold resistant varieties and hybrids, we presented 3 varieties Solo, Anna and Senator, which by degree of reduction on both of the analyzed features have shown resistances to the cold factor.

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