“Biochemical Features, Genetic Breeding Approach, Salient Features and Plant Molecular Approach to Target Plant Genes”

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**Abstract**

Different methods are used for the introduction of foreign DNA in the genome of a plant. These processes include the biological methods which are based on pathogenic bacteria A. rhizogenes and A. fumefaciens, or the chemical and physical coordination’s like microprojectile-bombardment, micro-injection, chemical poration and electroporation. The bacterial transformation is the straight gene transferring mechanism through which the some of the bacteria intake the foreign DNA from environment. The protoplasts of plant treated with the polyethylene glycol take up the DNA more rapidly from the surrounding, and this DNA can be integrated stably in to plant chromosomal DNA. Biolistics contains acceleration of higher mass transporter elements (commonly made up of tungsten, gold or platinum) roofed with the genes which passed through cells, separating the DNA inside by the adsorption method. SiC whiskers are like a needle having a size of 20μm in length. These whiskers helps in penetrating the plasma membrane and cell wall of targeted cell for transferring the wanted DNA and hence, the transformants are attained.

**Keywords:** Gene Gun, Gene Transformation, DNA Transformation, genetic factors.

**INTRODUCTION**

In the area of genetics and molecular biology, the transformation is a genetic modification of a cell which results through exogenously incorporation and direct uptake of genetic materials through cell membrane from its surroundings is known as transformation [1, 2]. For this process the competency of a recipient bacteria is compulsory thing, naturally that is time limited response as the changing environmental conditions like the starvation and the density of cell, and it can also be induced in the laboratory [3, 4].

The formation of genetic transforming systems is innovation in this attempt to heritably modified fungus strains [5, 6]. These methods enable the experts to modify the targeted genes in effective way to disclose the target genes properties, or they insert the novel hereditary element in to the strain genome e.g., promoters to change endogenous gene expression [7, 8].

The main difference among the traditional molecular and agricultural breeding’s techniques of transferring genes lie neither in practices nor in aims, but relatively in reliability, scope, speed and precision. When classical or traditional breeders mates the two of the sexually reproducing animals or plants, breeders combine the 10 thousands genes in hope that they will get the progeny of desired characters [9].

When the breeders mix the egg and sperm, each of the parent contribute fifty-fifty percent (an organism whole genes list) to the progeny, but configuration of that 50% changes in each the parent sex-cell and therefore in each of the cross. Furthermore, the desired genes generally comes from only one parent and are controlled through one or a few genes, several crosses are essential afore “right” way genes recombination results in character expression in progeny. After that, the offspring’s are also be crossed back with to parent to certify the new characters stable adaptation. Sometimes the undesired characters are derived from the one parent of a new, enhanced variety

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remains while the wanted characters are misplaced [10, 11].

**Plant Transformation methods**

- **Physical**
  1. Electroporation
  2. Biolistic or Procircle bombardment
  3. Microinjection
  4. Liposome encapsulation
  5. Silicon carbide fibres

- **Chemical**
  1. Polyethylene glycol (PEG)-mediated
  2. Diethyl amino ethyl (DEAE) dextran-mediated
  3. Calcium phosphate precipitation

- **DNA imbibition**
  1. Agrobacterium tumefaciens
  2. A. rhizogenes
  3. Plant viruses

- **Biological**
  - Vector- or virus-mediated gene transfer

**Fig-1: Shows the different methods for gene transformation in plants**

**Principles of Gene transformation in Plants**

Many methods of gene transferring use the uptake of DNA into the remote protoplast facilitated by the chemical processes, electroporation, or particle bombardment. Directly uptake of DNA is valuable for the both expression of transient gene and steady transformation. Though, the steady transformation frequency is low, and it consumes much time to redevelop an entire transgenic plant [12, 13, 14].

**Principles of Gene transformation via Bacterial Transformation**

The bacterial transformation is the straight gene transferring mechanism through which the same of the bacteria intake the foreign DNA from environment. In 1828 this method was first time reported by Griffith in bacterium the S. pneumoniae and the DNA as transforming principle revealed by Avery and his team in 1944 [15,16]. The natural transformation phenomenon has permitted bacteria population to overwhelm the great fluxes in the population-dynamics and to overwhelm the contest of preserving the numbers of population during harsh environmental variations. During these environmental circumstances some genera of bacteria suddenly release the DNA from cells in to environment permitted to be occupied by competent cell. The expert cell also reply to environmental fluctuations in environment and regulate the gene acquisition level by the process of natural transformation [17].

**Chemical procedures for gene transformation**

The protoplasts of plant treated with the polyethylene glycol take up the DNA more rapidly from the surrounding, and this DNA can be integrated stably in to plant chromosomal DNA. The protoplast is then refined under the circumstances that permit them to develop the cell wall, start isolating to form callus, grow shoot and root, and to re-generate the entire plant [18].

DNA can also be directly inserted in to the single living-cell by using the very adequate glass pipettes. The experts use an intricate device containing a microscope and subtle micro-manipulators to see the cell, grasp it stable, and insert a solution comprising DNA. By way of electrical or chemical uptake procedure, the remote gene can be in form of isolated particles or close to the vectors. A drawback associated with directly endorsement is that comparatively a small number of single cells can be inserted; conversely, the frequency of positive assimilation of DNA/injected cell is high [19, 20].
Principles of Gene transformation via Biolistics

Genomic transformation of many kinds of cells from the sub-cellular organelles, algae, fungi, bacteria, and even the animal cells is done by using biolistics, also called as particle bombardment or gene gun method. Biolistics contains acceleration of higher mass transporter elements (commonly made up of tungsten, gold or platinum) roofed with the genes which passed through cells, separating the DNA inside by the adsorption method. Embryos, cells, organized tissues (meristems), protoplasts can be utilized as target, and incorporation of many genes is simple [20, 21, 22].

Principles of Gene transformation via Vacuum Infiltration

One more way to facilitate the introduction of Agrobacterium for the genomic transformation is to use vacuum for certain period of time. Actually, vacuum produces a negative atmospheric-pressure which cause air space among the cells in membrane to diminish permitting the perception of Agrobacterium in to inter cell spaces. Long the period and lower pressure, the fewer air space is inside the tissue of plant. The pH, temperature, and the time of introduction of virulence gene have intensive effect on transformation frequency [23, 24, 25].

Principles of Gene transformation via Gene Gun

Several approaches of transporting additional DNA in to the plant cell nucleus have been used, and numerous have been excellently utilized to produce the transgenic plants. The main thing is which is discussed first is gene gun, also called micro-projectile bombardment. Whereas this technique was utilized to make the numerous commercial procedures like Roundup-Ready soybean, this procedure has many limitations which make it a smaller amount appealing than utilization of the Agrobacterium as alteration technique [26, 27].

A gene is a set of information which governs an organism identity, such as the appearance of an organism, its survival, and how an organism interact with its environment. The genes are composed of DNA or deoxyribonucleic acid. These genes gives the command for living being to synthesis the molecules “the proteins” [21, 26]. A persons who investigates the genes are known as the geneticists and they investigates how the targeting genes involves in improving the aspects of life. The genetic engineering is very beneficial for human beings as it helps in increasing food productivity by from plants or disease control in human beings. Gene is comprised of 4 dissimilar nucleotide bases. These are: A (adenine), C (cytosine), G (guanine) and T (thymine) [28, 29]. In Zea maize, the non-re-generable variety the Black-Mexican-Sweet was transformed through the help of SiC Whiskers as SiC (Silicon carbide) whiskers are now extensively used for the high-tech uses because these whiskers have many benefits like excellent shock, high elastic modulus, and higher tensile strength. Silicon carbide whiskers have the greater inherent rigidity. These whiskers are formed thermal reduction of silicon or silica in reducing circumstances, rice husks is the source of SiC Whiskers [30].

CONCLUSION

The particular mechanism for the whisker facilitated transformation is centered on the diverse
methods. Scanning-electron-microscopy work on the whisker target specific cells designated for transformation of specific genes. Unlike the fibers of asbestos, the silicon carbide whiskers surface is charged negatively. This surface negative charge possibly results being a slight attraction among the molecules of DNA (that are also charged negatively) and sic whiskers in the neutral medium of pH.

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