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#### **ABSTRCT**

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The present study was undertaken in an attempt to investigate the suitable means for improving the earliness yield and quality of okra pods under the cool weather.

Two experimental trials were carried out in the Faculty of Agriculture, Ain Shams University, at Shoubra El-Kheima, Kalubia Governorate, Egypt during the two successive growing seasons of 1996 and 1997.

The first experiment was performed in the laboratory to study the effect of osmoconditioning on seed germination under low temperature.

Two kind of polyethylene glycole (PEG) (6000 and 8000 daltons) and three soaking periods (24, 48, 72 hours) were used to evaluate seed vigor under two different germination temperatures (15°C and 30°C). Primed seeds were examined for germination %, mean rate of germination, field emergence percentage, seedling length, seedling diameter and number of leaves/seedling.

The second experiment was carried out under field conditions. The objective of this experiment was to determine the performance of the most favorable priming treatment for okra seeds, obtained from the laboratory trial, under field conditions, especially at early planting date, i.e., low temperature conditions. Besides, to examine the influence of some agricultural treatments i.e., planting asdirect seeding, under plastic tunnels in deep trench or using hedge row, and zinc sulphate foliar spray.

The results showed that soaking seeds in PEG 8000 as a priming solution and for 24 hours-soaking period gave the significantly enhancement germination under low temperature, emergence percentage, and growth characters of seedling i.e., length, diameter and leaves number.

The vegetative growth characters were stimulated with PEG treatment under field conditions with all different used agricultural treatments. The early yield increased, in descending order by direct seeding under polyethylene tunnels followed by spraying with zinc sulphate treatments. However, the seeding in deep trench showed the lowest value in most parameters, i.e., early yield and total yield. On the other hand, hedge row technique gave moderate behavior in most parameters and in early yield.

Key words: Okra, seed priming, polyethylene glycol, polyethylene tunnels, direct seeding, planting depth, hedge row, zinc sulphate, earliness, fruit quality.

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