

Effect of homeopathy on soybean germination through soil and seed treatment

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Background: Homeopathy is a technique approved by the MAPA for organic production systems. Experiments demonstrating the effectiveness of homeopathy in agriculture are essential. **Aims:** To evaluate the effects of homeopathic treatment on soybean seed germination. **Methodology:** The experiment was performed in MS-Brazil. An area of 70 m² was used, divided into two comparison plots of 30 m² each. The soil of plot 1 (treated group) was treated with 5.25 kg of powdered *Lithothamnium* mixed with 250 ml of 30% hydroalcoholic solution (HS) containing homeopathic ingredients. The soil of plot 2 (control group) was treated with the same preparation but without homeopathic ingredients. Additionally, the 400 seeds assigned to plot 1 were treated with 0,3 ml of a solution made up of 10 ml of 30% HS with homeopathic ingredients diluted in 300 ml of water. The 400 seeds assigned to plot 2 were treated with 0.3 ml of a solution made up of 10 ml of HS without homeopathic ingredients diluted in 300 ml of water. The homeopathic ingredients *Sulph 9C*, *Mag-c 12C*, and *Calc-p 9C* were used on soil and seed treatment. The selection and prescription of those ingredients followed *Materia Medica* instructions. The experiment was conducted using randomized design and 400 seeds per group were sown. **Results and discussion:** In plot 1, an average of 11 seeds per m² germinated, adding up to 330 germinated seeds at a percentage of 82.5%. In plot 2, an average of 7 seeds per m² germinated, adding up to 210 germinated seeds at a percentage of 52.5%. The frequency of seed germination in both groups was assessed by the Chi-square test to check for significant difference ($p < 0.05$). There was a statistical difference ($p < 0.05$) in the seed germination in the treated group ($n=330$) compared to the control group ($n=210$). **Conclusion:** Homeopathic compounds can be used as a viable treatment for soybean germination.

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