

TOXICITY EFFECT OF CULTURE FILTRATES OF SOME FUNGI ON SEED GERMINATION AND SEEDLING GROWTH OF *SORGHUM VULGARE* PERS

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Abstracts: Culture filtrate of all the tested fungi, e.g. *Alternaria alternata*, *Aspergillus flavus*, *A. niger*, *Chaetomium brasilense*, *Cladosporium herbarum*, *Colletotrichum dematium*, *Curvularia lunata*, *Fusarium oxysporum*, *Macrophomina phaseoli*, *Myrothecium roridum* and *Trichoderma viride* adversely affected the seed germination and seedling growth. Boiled culture filtrate of *M. roridum* produced maximum inhibition in seed germination. Both root and shoot were reduced maximum by *Myrothecium roridum* followed by *Fusarium oxysporum*, *Trichoderma viride* and *Curvularia lunata*. Boiled filtrates were more effective than the unboiled ones. In general, roots were more susceptible to toxins.

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