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Figure 1: Effect of mannitol concentration and time on pineapple protoplast isolation. a Effect of mannitol concentration on total and living protoplast number. b Effect of digestion time on total and living protoplast number. Different letters represent statistically significant differences at p = 0.05, and bars represent standard errors

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Figure 2. Proliferation of callus and in vitro plant growth. a) Fragile embryonic callus. b) Hard highly compact non-embryonic callus. c) Small plantlets start to grow from embryonic callus. d) Well-grown callus with small plantlets after 1 month. e) Plants grown in MS liquid medium for 1 month. f) Acclimatized in vitro grown plants. Bar in a–c=1000 μm

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Table 4: Effect of different hormone combinations on root initiation and growth

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| **Medium type Mean average** | **length of roots (cm)** | **Mean number of roots** |
| IAA1 mg/l liquid  | 2.6543±0.86  | 3.433±1.01 |
| IAA 1 mg/l solid  | 2.2417±0.99 | 3.867±1.63 |
| MS liquid | 1.7817±0.97  | 7.333±1.97  |

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 **Acknowledgment**

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