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Assessing the Nutritional and Antinutritional Components of Promising Kabuli Chickpea (*Cicer arietinum* L.) Genotypes

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Abstract

The present investigation on “Assessing the Nutritional and antinutritional components of promising kabuli chickpea (*Cicer arietinum* L.) genotypes” was carried out with an objective to analyze different 20 promising genotypes of kabuli chickpea for various nutritional and anti-nutritional components. The highest protein content (25.37%) and phytic acid (12.29 mg g⁻¹) were recorded in kabuli chickpea genotype GJK-1828. The highest value of total sugar content was observed in ICCV-191310 (4.73%) and maximum ash content was found in ICCV-191302 (3.47%). The minimum phytic acid was recorded in genotype ICCV-191301 (10.43 mg g⁻¹) which found distant genotypes in dendrogram prepared using biochemical data. The higher trypsin inhibitor was recorded in kabuli chickpea genotype GJK-1826 (10.33TIU/mg) and lowest trypsin inhibitor content noticed in genotype ICCV-191302 (14.33TIU/mg) and both were fall in different cluster of dendrogram. Minimum value of total phenol was found in ICCV-181314 (87.87 mg 100 g⁻¹) and maximum value was observed in kabuli chickpea genotype GJK-1826 (93.98 mg 100 g⁻¹). Thus, the wide variability of nutritional and antinutritional parameters was observed among the genotype studied.

Keywords: Kabuli chickpea, phytic acid, protein, phenol, trypsin inhibitor

1. Introduction

Although the pulses and legume crops are self-pollinated crops, it showed remarkable variability in biochemical composition of seeds (Saba et al., 2015). It also showed very wide variety of response to altered environmental condition like disease stress (Kandoliya and Vakhariya, 2013a; Patel et al., 2015), abiotic stresses (Patel et al., 2019 a ; Shaikh et al., 2021; Trivedi et al., 2018) as well as application of various chemicals and hormones (Patel et al., 2019 b; Shaikh et al., 2022; Solanki et al. 2018). Chick pea (*Cicer arietinum* L.) also being a self pollinated pulse crop showed significant degree of genetic variability (Kandoliya and Vakhariya, 2013 b) among the different varieties. Generally, it is widely farmed as a source of protein in tropical, sub-tropical, and temperate climates. The desi (small seeds, angular ram’s head shape, and colorful seeds with high percentage of fiber) and kabuli (big seeds, irregular rounded, owl’s-head shape, and beige colored seeds with low percentage of fiber) types of cultivated chickpeas are described as drought-tolerant, cool-season legumes (Agarwal et al., 2012). Chickpea seeds are low in fat and high in protein, carbohydrates, fiber, minerals, and vitamins, making it one of the most nutritionally balanced pulses for human consumption (Jukanti et al., 2012). Chickpeas are high in both protein and carbohydrates. However, antinutritional elements

in legume seeds, such as trypsin inhibitor, phytic acid, phenolic compounds, raffinose series oligosaccharides (RFOs), saponin, and tannins have a deleterious impact on their nutritional use (Wang et al., 2010). Thus the present investigation was carried out to find out variability in self pollinated crop like chickpea with respect to nutritional alongwith a some of the antinutritional parameters.

2. Materials and Methods

The present investigation on “Assessing the Nutritional and antinutritional components of promising kabuli chickpea (*Cicer arietinum* L.) genotypes” was conducted at Food Testing Laboratory, Department of Agricultural Biotechnology, JAU, Junagadh, during 2020-21. The seeds of promising genotypes were obtained from Pulse Research Station, JAU, Junagadh and used for different biochemical analysis as under.

Protein content from the chickpea seed was analyzed as per the method described by Lowry et al. (1953) and calculated by using Bovine serum albumin as standard. The total carbohydrate content was estimated by Anthrone method (Roe, 1955). Total soluble sugars was determined by the method of Dubois et al. (1956) using phenol reagent. The calculation was done with the help of standard curve prepared from glucose solution and results were expressed on per cent



basis. Ash and total lipid contents were determined according to Anonymous (2005).

From the antinutritional factors analyzed, Phytic acid was determined according to Latta and Eskin (1980). Total phenol was estimated by using suitable aliquot from methanol extract as per described by Bray and Thorpe, 1954. A standard graph was prepared using pyrocatechol ranging between 10-50 µg concentrations.

The trypsin inhibitor activity was measured indirectly by inhibiting the activity of trypsin. A synthetic substrate (BAPNA) is subjected to hydrolysis by trypsin to produce yellow colored p-nitroanilide. The degree of inhibition by the extract of the yellow color production was measured at 410 nm in a spectrophotometer by Manjunath et al. (1983).

3. Results and Discussion

3.1. Nutritional factors

The protein content generally indicates that its intake can contribute to the variety of body functions such as growth, repair and maintenance (replacement of wear and tear of tissues) of body. Protein present in the chickpea seeds is responsible for its higher nutritional value. Protein content in the genotypes of chickpea seeds in this experiments was observed between 22.50 to 25.37% (Table 1). It was observed that the genotypes varied significantly in respect of protein content. Highest protein content was recorded in kabuli chickpea genotype GJGK-1828 and lowest protein content was found in genotype KAK-2. Similar range of protein content found by Pankaj et al. (2011) who reported that thirty distinct chickpea genotypes showed protein content ranged from 19.98-25.23%. Similar results in protein content in desi and Kabuli chickpea germplasm have also been reported by Amjad et al. (2006), Amir et al. (2007) and Atul et al. (2012).

The results of total carbohydrates also varied significantly in different genotypes (Table 1). Total carbohydrate content in kabuli chickpea seeds ranged between 47.34 to 50.98%. Highest value was found in kabuli chickpea genotype ICCV-191316 and lowest value was noted in kabuli chick pea genotype ICCV-191317. Similarly, Singhai and Shrivastava (2006) reported total carbohydrates content in *Cicer arietinum* varieties and other legumes. JG-11 had the highest (50.4%) total carbohydrates content and the lowest (37.2%) total carbohydrate content in JG-218 in respective experiment. The result was also closely supported by Shad et al. (2009).

Total sugars content in kabuli chickpea seeds ranged between 2.84 to 4.73% (Table 1). The data regarding to total sugars content varied significantly in different genotypes. Highest value was found in kabuli chickpea genotype ICCV-191310 and lowest value was recorded in kabuli chickpea genotype ICCV-191312. This result is in accordance with Rehman (2007) who reported that highest total soluble sugar was recorded in a ranged from 7.16% to 4.15%.

Total lipid content in kabuli chickpea seeds ranged between 4.53 to 6.52 percent (Table 1). Highest lipid content was found in kabuli chickpea genotype PKV-4 and lowest value was recorded in kabuli chickpea genotype ICCV-191315. Shad et al. (2009) also reported lower values (2.05%) for crude fat content in desi chickpea varieties. Fat content of 3.40-8.83% and 2.90-7.42% in kabuli and desi type chickpea seeds respectively was also reported by Wood and Grusak (2007).

Total Ash content in kabuli chickpea seeds in present experiment ranged between 2.48 to 3.47% (Table 1). The results of total Ash varied significantly in different genotypes. Maximum ash content was found in kabuli chickpea genotype ICCV-191302 and minimum value was noted in kabuli chickpea genotype ICCV-191301. These results were comparable to those investigated by earlier workers (Amjad et al., 2006; Amir et al., 2007).

3.2. Anti nutritional factors

Among the antinutritional factors studied, phytic acid content

Sl. No.	Genotypes	P (%)	TC (%)	TSS (%)	TL (%)	TA (%)
1.	ICCV-191306	22.95	48.81	3.94	4.67	2.56
2.	ICCV-191305	23.85	48.01	3.19	5.68	3.26
3.	ICCV-181314	24.97	50.66	4.32	5.30	2.57
4.	ICCV-191313	23.33	48.35	3.49	5.66	3.32
5.	ICCV-191318	24.12	48.44	3.32	5.18	2.49
6.	ICCV-191312	24.70	48.32	2.84	4.55	2.73
7.	ICCV-191302	22.92	50.09	4.01	5.51	3.47
8.	ICCV-191310	23.21	48.11	4.73	6.09	2.51
9.	ICCV-191311	25.02	49.12	3.75	4.79	2.68
10.	ICCV-191303	23.44	48.94	3.32	5.46	2.72
11.	ICCV-191316	25.18	50.98	3.10	5.24	3.41
12.	ICCV-191308	24.29	49.40	4.45	4.63	2.80
13.	ICCV-191301	24.97	47.90	4.19	6.44	2.48
14.	ICCV-191317	22.94	47.34	3.72	5.69	3.40
15.	ICCV-191315	24.94	48.39	3.60	4.53	3.17
16.	KAK-2	22.50	50.58	3.15	5.74	2.79
17.	PKV-4	24.25	49.72	4.30	6.52	3.45
18.	GJGK-1828	25.37	48.97	3.66	5.47	2.63
19.	GJGK-1826	24.83	49.21	3.28	5.00	2.73
20.	GJGK-1812	24.09	49.97	3.27	5.08	3.36
	SEm±	0.26	0.29	0.14	0.15	0.16
	CD (p=0.05)	0.74	0.84	0.42	0.44	0.47
	C.V.%	3.72	2.05	14.29	10.88	12.79

P: Protein (%); TC: Total carbohydrates (%); TSS: Total soluble sugars (%); TL: Total lipid (%); TA: Total ash (%)



in kabuli chickpea seeds significantly varied between 10.43 to 12.29 mg g⁻¹ (Table 2). Minimum phytic acid was recorded in kabuli chickpea genotype ICCV-191301 and maximum phytic acid was noticed in kabuli chickpea genotype GJGK-1828 in present investigation. The present finding is similar to Shi et al. (2018) who reported that phytic acid content in whole chickpea, split chickpea and desi chickpea was found to be 11.33 mg g⁻¹, 11.53 mg g⁻¹ and 14.00 mg g⁻¹ respectively. Tripathi et al. (2018) who noted that phytic acid content ranged from 8.44 mg g⁻¹ to 12.89 mg g⁻¹ in the sixteen chickpea genotypes.

Trypsin inhibitor content in kabuli chickpea seeds ranged between 10.33 to 14.33 TIU/mg (Table 2). The results of Trypsin inhibitor content varied significantly in different genotypes. Minimum trypsin inhibitor content was recorded in kabuli chickpea genotype GJGK-1826 and maximum content was noticed in kabuli chickpea genotype ICCV-191302. The total phenol content in kabuli chickpea seeds ranged between 87.87 to 93.98 mg 100 g⁻¹ (Table 2). The data regarding to total

phenol content varied significantly in different genotypes. Minimum value of total phenol in kabuli chickpea genotype was found in ICCV-181314 and maximum value was observed in kabuli chickpea genotype GJGK-1826. The similar results have also been reported by Segev et al. (2010). Zielinski (2002), Yadav et al. (2011) have also determined the value of total phenol from 101 to 255 mg 100 g⁻¹ which is more from the range of present study.

Dendrogram prepared (http://genomes.urv.cat/UPGMA/UPGMA_boot_v12.cgi) using all the biochemical data analyzed also showed wide variability among genotype studied (Figure 1). The distant genotype ICCV 191301 showed lower amount of total ash and higher value in total lipid (6.44 %) which remain at par with the genotype PKV-4 recorded highest fat content (6.52 %). However, genotype ICCV 191301 also showed lowest phytic acid content. The genotype GJGK-1828 recorded the highest protein content (25.37%) and highest phytic acid content (12.29 mg g⁻¹) falls in different cluster with the genotype KAK-2 having the lowest protein content (22.5%).

Table 2: Antinutritional factors in seeds of chickpea genotype

Sl. No.	Genotypes	Phytic acid (mg g ⁻¹)	Trypsin inhibitor (TIU mg ⁻¹)	Total phenol (mg 100g ⁻¹)
1.	ICCV-191306	10.65	12.00	88.80
2.	ICCV-191305	11.39	12.00	91.42
3.	ICCV-181314	10.72	12.67	87.87
4.	ICCV-191313	10.75	11.00	92.69
5.	ICCV-191318	12.11	13.67	93.91
6.	ICCV-191312	11.65	13.00	91.35
7.	ICCV-191302	10.57	14.33	88.86
8.	ICCV-191310	10.55	11.67	90.20
9.	ICCV-191311	11.37	12.67	93.75
10.	ICCV-191303	10.56	13.33	89.42
11.	ICCV-191316	11.01	12.67	89.42
12.	ICCV-191308	11.44	11.67	92.68
13.	ICCV-191301	10.43	11.33	93.89
14.	ICCV-191317	11.73	13.00	89.45
15.	ICCV-191315	10.50	11.33	91.52
16.	KAK-2	10.61	13.67	89.75
17.	PKV-4	11.75	11.33	91.01
18.	GJGK-1828	12.29	12.67	92.06
19.	GJGK-1826	11.19	10.33	90.65
20.	GJGK-1812	10.70	12.67	93.98
	SEm±	0.18	0.88	0.45
	CD (p=0.05)	0.52	2.52	1.29
	C.V.%	5.22	8.28	2.52

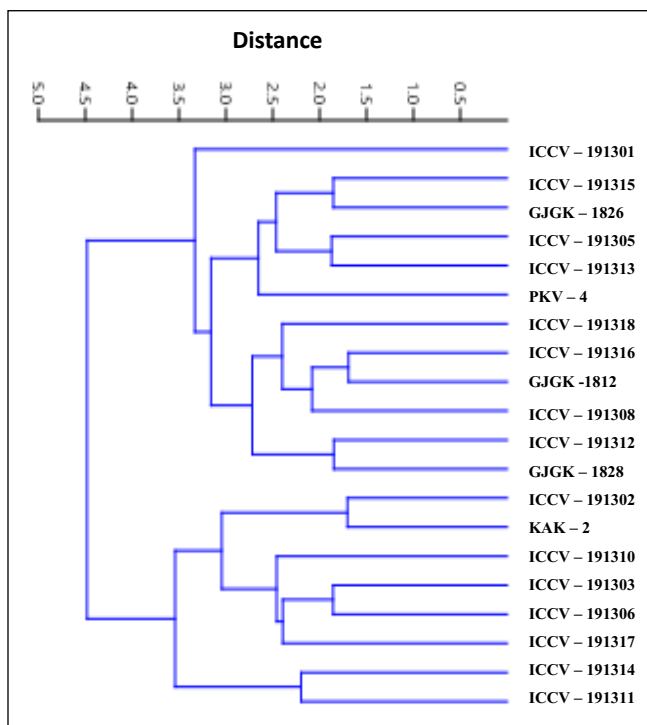


Figure 1: Dendrogram prepared using biochemical data by http://genomes.urv.cat/UPGMA/UPGMA_boot_v12.cgi

4. Conclusion

The wide variability of nutritional and antinutritional parameters was observed among the genotype studied. The genotype GJGK-1828 recorded the highest protein content (25.37%) and highest phytic acid content (12.29 mg g⁻¹) falls in different cluster with the genotype KAK-2 having the lowest protein content (22.5%) The highest value of total sugar content was observed in ICCV-191310 (4.73%) and maximum

ash content was found in ICCV-191302 (3.47%). The minimum phytic acid was recorded in genotype ICCV-191301 (10.43 mg g⁻¹) which found distant genotypes in dendrogram prepared using biochemical data. The higher trypsin inhibitor was recorded in kabuli chickpea genotype GJGK-1826 (10.33TIU/mg) and lowest trypsin inhibitor content noticed in genotype ICCV-191302 (14.33TIU/mg) and both were fall in different cluster of dendrogram.

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