## Antioxidant activity of seeds and sprouts of celery crops

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## Abstract

The study examined germination of seeds, antioxidant properties of seeds, sprouts and biomass of four vegetable crops under controlled conditions under various modes of seed drying. After thermal dehydration of the seeds (drying of samples at 105 °C), a sharp decrease in sowing properties occurs compared to air drying. Thermal dehydration strongly affects the viability of seeds and plants, but the level of adaptation to this stress effect is genetically determined and associated with metabolic features, forms and the state of water in plant cells and tissues. So, coriander seeds completely lose germination, and chicory seeds germinate quite well. New data are obtained on seed viability, microzelenium biomass formation and change of total antioxidant activity of studied vegetable crops under conditions of increased temperatures. In addition to chicory, carrot seeds showed some resistance to thermal dehydration. The height of the sprouts in chicory in experimental and control versions is close, while in carrots they differ almost 9 times. The yield of microselenium of carrots decreased by 11.5 times with the use of seeds subjected to thermal dehydration, the yield of chicory microselenium - by 2.7 times. The antioxy-data activity of coriander seeds, carrots and pasternaci decreases after thermodehydration, chicory seeds practically do not change. The antioxidant activity of sprouts is several times higher than that of seeds, which is characteristic of all studied crops. The formation of microzelenium during dark selection lasts no more than 2 weeks from the moment of sowing, obviously, therefore, it is impractical to grow microzelenium in the dark longer than this period.

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