

## EFFECT OF NITROGEN FERTILIZATION AND ORGANIC ACIDS ON GRAINS PRODUCTIVITY AND BIOCHEMICAL CONTENTS OF QUINOA PLANT GROWN UNDER SOIL CONDITIONS OF RAS SADER-SINAI

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A field experiment was carried out at Ras Suder Research Station (located at 29° 32' 28" N and 32° 39' 25" E) throughout two seasons, i.e., 2014 and 2015 (saline soil of 8.56 dS m<sup>-1</sup>, soil paste extract) and irrigated with water of 7.94 dS m<sup>-1</sup> on quinoa (*Chenopodium quinoa*, cv. Utosaya) using organic manure, mineral N-fertilization and foliar spray with humic and ascorbic acids. Growth, yield and nutrient uptake parameters increased with increasing N fertilizer, application of humic acid and spraying with ascorbic acid. Treatments with organic manure gave yield values greater than without manure by 9.0, 7.3, 8.9 and 9.4% for plant height, number of branches per plant, 1000-seed weight per plant and total seed yield. The combination of 48 mg organic manure ha<sup>-1</sup> + 240 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> with spraying with humic acid solution of 600 mg L<sup>-1</sup> + ascorbic acid solution of 1000 mg L<sup>-1</sup> gave the highest positive response of plant height (cm) of 118, 26.4, 3.97 and 16.8 for plant height, number of branches per plant, 1000-seed weight, seed weight per plant and seed yield, respectively. The highest values were obtained for 1000-seed weight, yield and nutrient uptake. Treatments in relative comparison of the three highest treatment combinations are manure/148 kg N/ humic acid 300 mg L<sup>-1</sup> /ascorbic acid 500 mg L<sup>-1</sup> < manure/240 kg N/ humic acid 600 mg L<sup>-1</sup> /ascorbic acid 1000 mg L<sup>-1</sup>.

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Salinity is a major problem in newly reclamation areas of Sinai, Egypt. According to water salinity classification of Hergert and Knudsen (2004), EC of < 0.75 dSm<sup>-1</sup> has no detrimental effect on most crops and 0.75 to 1.50 dS m<sup>-1</sup> has detrimental effects on sensitive crops, whereas 1.50 to 3.0 dS m<sup>-1</sup> requires careful management and 3.0 to 7.5 dSm<sup>-1</sup> is only for salt tolerant plants. Quinoa is generally recognized as one of the most saline

tolerant crops known (Jacobsen, 2007). Some of its cultivars can give high yields under high salinity level of as high as 12 dS m<sup>-1</sup> (Pulvento et al., 2012).

Nutrients have several functions and affect quinoa yield parameters, the photosynthetic processes in leaves and plant growth are improved by N fertilization, it contributes greatly in protein synthesis, cell structure and carbohydrate production (Weisany et al., 2013). Oelke et al. (1992) noted that fertilization recommendations for quinoa are increased to 170-200 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> after more extensive research. Nitrogen exceeding these levels leads to lodging and delayed maturity. Razzaghi et al. (2011) reported that the soil N fertilizer is applied at 120 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup>, nitrogen uptake by quinoa is 134 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> in sandy clay loam and 77 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> in sandy soil, leading to differing quinoa seeds yield of 3300 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> and 2300 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Gomaa (2013) reported that the application of nitrogen and phosphorus increased crude protein and nutrients content in quinoa seeds. Basra et al. (2014) stated that the soil application of N at 75 kg N/ha attained maximum economic harvest of quinoa. Geren (2015) reported that the soil application of N at 150 kg/ha to quinoa plant proved that N content raise quality of crude protein content (16%) and achieved maximum seeds yield (2.95 ton/ha). Darwinkel and Stølen (1997) reported the requirements of 70 kg P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> ha<sup>-1</sup> for quinoa prior to seed filling and noted that existing levels of 29 kg phosphorus in many agricultural soils are likely sufficient. They also noted a fairly large requirement for potassium, with uptake of 400 kg K ha<sup>-1</sup>, and recommend application of 100-200 kg K<sub>2</sub>O ha<sup>-1</sup>.

Application of humic substances to quinoa increases leaf water retention, photosynthetic activity and antioxidant metabolism under water stress conditions (Fahramand et al., 2014). Canellas and Olivares (2014) also stated that the humic substances increased roots density and absorption of nutrients across the plasma membranes of roots. El-Bassiouny et al. (2014) reported that application of humic acid to quinoa increased each of the followings: plant height, number of leaves, shoot growth and weights, photosynthetic pigment, soluble sugar, carbohydrates, amino acids and proline content, uptake of N, P, K, Ca, Mg and seed yield. Khaled and Fawy (2011) reported that foliar spray of humic substances increased the uptake of nutrients by maize grown under salt stress. Hamide et al. (2013) reported that humic and salicylic acid increased the germination percentage, radicle and seeds production of quinoa under salinity conditions.

Antioxidants such as antioxidant enzymes, ascorbic acid, carotenoids and flavonoids, protect plant against oxidative stress damages by scavenging reactive oxygen species through a defense mechanism protecting plant cells stress Gill and Tuteja (2010). Agatia et al. (2012) reported that flavonoids contribute to detoxification through chemically reactive oxygen species in plant cells. Brunetti et al. (2013) reported that flavonoids have potential to

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affect on nitrogen-activated protein kinases process to form protein in plants. Azarpour et al. (2014) stated that foliar application of ascorbic acid combined with application of N increased yield and nutrient contents in quinoa. Organic matter in forms of seed weed compost of 250 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> increased yield by 6% whereas cattle manure of 2000 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> increased quinoa 10% (Bilalis et al., 2012). On the other hand, Bilalis et al. (2014) reported that 2000 kg cow manure ha<sup>-1</sup> by 100 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> fertilizer gave the highest protein yield of 2481 kg protein ha<sup>-1</sup>. Lavini et al. (2014) stated that applying organic matter was more positive under deficit irrigation than under full irrigation at salinity up to 30 dS m<sup>-1</sup>. The objective of this work is to assess the effect of N fertilization, ascorbic acid and humic acid on quinoa growth under high salinity conditions at Ras Suder region.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

A field experiment was carried out at Ras Sudr Research Station of the Desert Research Center, located at 29° 32' 28" N and 32° 39' 25" E on Quinoa (*Chenopodium quinoa*, a salinity resistant cv Utosaya) during two successive seasons, i.e. 2014 and 2015. The design was a factorial randomized complete block. Factors were organic manure application, as 0 and 48 mg ha<sup>-1</sup>, N application as 148 and 240 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> and foliar spray of humic acid solution as no spray, 300 mg L<sup>-1</sup> (Hu<sub>1</sub>), and 600 mg L<sup>-1</sup> (Hu<sub>2</sub>), and spraying ascorbic acid solution as 500 mg L<sup>-1</sup> (As<sub>1</sub>) and 1000 mg L<sup>-1</sup> (As<sub>2</sub>), (Hu<sub>1</sub>+ Asc<sub>1</sub>) and (Hu<sub>2</sub>+ As<sub>2</sub>). Two extra treatments were conducted i.e. non-treated and manured non-N non-sprayed. Therefore, the total number of treatments was 28 treatment combinations (2 N x 2 manure x 7 spray) plus 2 extra treatments (30 treatments).

Foliar spray of both humic and ascorbic acid was done using 1400 L ha<sup>-1</sup> and repeated for three times. The soil was saline (8.56 dS m<sup>-1</sup>) of its paste extract and the irrigation water was saline (7.94 dS m<sup>-1</sup>) (Table 1). Quinoa seeds were sown on the 30<sup>th</sup> November in rows; 50-cm apart and 15-cm between seed hills. Plant density was 13.3 plants m<sup>-2</sup> (plant density of 134000 plant ha<sup>-1</sup>). All treatments received 37 kg P ha<sup>-1</sup> and 150 kg K ha<sup>-1</sup> (P as ordinary superphosphate of 68 g P kg<sup>-1</sup> and K as potassium sulphate of 420 g K kg<sup>-1</sup>). Organic manure and P were applied during soil preparation, while the other fertilizers were applied as follows; the first and second dose of N and K fertilizers were added in September and October, respectively. While, the third dose was added during November and the fourth dose was added during December. Harvest stage at the end of February or the first half of March. The foliar application of humic acid and ascorbic acid were done at the same times of N and K soil applications, i.e., they were added through four times.

**Table (1).** Some chemical and physical properties of the studied soil.

Depth (cm)	pH	E.C (dS m <sup>-1</sup> )	OM	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Particle size distributes			C.E.C (emol kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Texture
					Sand	Silt	Clay		
				%		%			
0-30	7.73	8.56	2.28	26.9	81.20	8.57	10.23	5.81	L.S.
30-60	7.96	7.35	1.73	27.4	80.08	10.59	9.33	6.65	L.S.
<b>Soluble cations and anions in soil (mmol L<sup>-1</sup>)</b>									
Depth (cm)	Na <sup>+</sup>	K <sup>+</sup>	Ca <sup>+2</sup>	Mg <sup>+2</sup>	HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	Cl <sup>-</sup>	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>		
0-30	47.1	8.9	24.4	5.2	8.1	51.3	26.2		
30-60	41.2	12.7	15.8	3.8	3.5	46.5	23.5		
<b>Available nutrients in soil (mg kg<sup>-1</sup>)</b>									
Depth (cm)	N	P	K	Fe	Mn	Zn	Cu		
0-30	36.8	5.19	48.5	4.26	2.18	1.25	0.57		
30-60	21.5	3.84	52.3	4.64	2.23	1.31	0.66		
<b>E.C, pH, soluble cations and anions of irrigation water (mmol L<sup>-1</sup>)</b>									
	pH	EC	Na <sup>+</sup>	K <sup>+</sup>	Ca <sup>+2</sup>	Mg <sup>+2</sup>	HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	Cl <sup>-</sup>	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>
	7.94	7.85	46.9	2.62	20.5	8.48	6.3	47.5	24.7

Seeds were cultivated in 30th November for two seasons. Soil analyses were done according to Page et al. (1984) and Klute (1986). Plant samples were analyzed for macro and micronutrients according to Cottenie et al. (1982). Measurements of total antioxidants and total phenols in soil and plant were done according to Rimmer (2009). Plant samples were collected at harvest. Plant height, number of branches per plant, the 1000-seed weight, and weight of seeds and straw per plant were determined. Also the yield of both straw and seeds per hectare was determined at the end of the experiment.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### 1. Effect of N Mineral, Organic Manure and Organic Acids on Yield Quinoa Components

Data in table (2) show that the yield parameters of quinoa increased with increasing application of the N fertilizer, humic acid and ascorbic acid under conditions of Ras Suder soil during the two studied seasons.

**Table (2).** Effect of N fertilizer, organic manure and organic acids treatments applied on quinoa yields during the two studied seasons (2014 and 2015).

OM	N	Foliar Treatments	Plant height (cm)	Number branches	Weight of 1000 seeds (g)	Biological	Straw	Seeds	Biological	Straw	Seeds
						(g/plant)			(mg/ha)		
Without OM		Control	57	11.4	1.71	34.1	28.3	5.8	4.57	3.79	0.78
	N <sub>1</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	68	17.5	2.63	50.2	43.5	6.7	6.73	5.83	0.9
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	72	18.2	2.73	52.3	45.3	7	7.01	6.07	0.94
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	76	18.9	2.85	57.2	49.5	7.7	7.66	6.63	1.03
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	79	19.3	2.97	63.2	54.7	8.5	8.47	7.33	1.14
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	82	19.7	3.04	66.5	57.6	8.9	8.91	7.72	1.19
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	86	19.6	3.09	70.3	60.9	9.4	9.42	8.16	1.26
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	90	20.3	3.12	72.9	63.1	9.8	9.77	8.46	1.31
	N <sub>2</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	89	20.7	3.15	88.7	76.8	11.9	11.88	10.29	1.59
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	94	21.5	3.22	91.8	79.5	12.3	12.3	10.65	1.65
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	98	22.3	3.29	96.1	83.2	12.9	12.88	11.15	1.73
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	102	22.8	3.35	98.5	85.3	13.2	13.2	11.43	1.77
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	107	23.2	3.43	103.6	89.7	13.9	13.88	12.02	1.86
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	111	23.1	3.49	106.8	92.5	14.3	14.32	12.4	1.92
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	116	25.1	3.57	110	95.3	14.7	14.74	12.77	1.97
	With OM		Control	65	12.8	1.97	42.85	36.7	6.15	5.74	4.92
N <sub>1</sub>		Fol <sub>0</sub>	79	19.5	2.88	64.9	56.2	8.7	8.7	7.53	1.17
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub>	83	19.9	2.95	70.9	61.4	9.5	9.5	8.23	1.27
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub>	87	20.3	3.11	73.1	63.3	9.8	9.79	8.48	1.31
N <sub>1</sub>		As <sub>1</sub>	92	20.8	3.19	75.9	65.7	10.2	10.17	8.8	1.37
N <sub>1</sub>		As <sub>2</sub>	97	21.5	3.26	79.9	69.2	10.7	10.7	9.27	1.43
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	101	21.9	3.32	85	73.6	11.4	11.39	9.86	1.53
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	106	22.5	3.39	86.8	75.2	11.6	11.63	10.08	1.55
N <sub>2</sub>		Fol <sub>0</sub>	95	22.1	3.47	105.5	91.4	14.1	14.14	12.25	1.89
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub>	99	22.8	3.55	109.2	94.6	14.6	14.64	12.68	1.96
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub>	103	23.3	3.63	112.9	97.8	15.1	15.13	13.11	2.02
N <sub>2</sub>		As <sub>1</sub>	108	23.9	3.73	114.6	99.2	15.4	15.35	13.29	2.06
N <sub>2</sub>		As <sub>2</sub>	112	24.4	3.81	119.7	103.7	16	16.04	13.9	2.14
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	115	25.5	3.89	122.9	106.4	16.5	16.47	14.26	2.21
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	118	26.4	3.97	125.3	108.5	16.8	16.79	14.54	2.25
LSD <sub>0.05</sub> OM			2.58	0.46	0.087	4.47	3.87	0.6	0.289	0.25	0.039
N			1.35	0.22	0.031	2.37	1.9	0.47	0.151	0.12	0.031
Foliar Treat.			0.22	0.04	0.005	0.42	0.35	0.08	0.025	0.02	0.005
OM x N			1.91	0.31	0.044	2.3	1.85	0.66	0.163	0.12	0.043
OM x Fol. T			0.23	0.04	0.006	0.6	0.5	0.08	0.035	0.03	0.005
N x Fol. T			0.38	0.07	0.009	0.73	0.61	0.14	0.049	0.04	0.009
OM*N*Fol. T.			0.54	0.1	0.013	1.04	0.86	0.19	0.072	0.06	0.012

The yields and components of quinoa plants increased with increasing soil application of organic manure in comparison with those without application. The treatments with organic manure gave yield values greater than without application of organic treatments by 9.0, 7.3, 8.9 and 9.4% for plant height (cm), number of branches, weight of 1000-seed (g) and weight of seeds/plant (g), respectively, during the two studied seasons. This result is due to the important role of organic matter to improve plant growth and production by releasing available nutrients during the different stages of plant life, and improvement of physical and chemical soil properties. Finally, it decreases the adverse impact caused by soil salinity and irrigation water. These results agree with those obtained by Bilalis et al. (2012), Bilalis et al. (2014) and Lavini et al. (2014).

N fertilizer as soil application increased yield parameters of quinoa plant, the second rate of N fertilizer recorded the highest increase of yield components than control treatment, where these increases reached about 33, 43, 44 and 50% for plant height (cm), number of branches, weight of 1000-seed (g) and weight of seeds/plant (g), respectively. This result is due to that N has many functions in plant, this fact is described according to Weisany et al. (2013). The N effect on yield parameters of quinoa agrees with results obtained by Gomaa (2013), Basra et al. (2014) and Geren (2015).

The interactions between mineral N and organic amendments confirm that N fertilizer with ascorbic acid treatment (with or without OM) showed higher effect on yield components of quinoa than N fertilizer with humic acid treatment. This result may be due to that antioxidants have an important role to increase the ability of quinoa plant to resist salinity conditions and increase proline levels in the plant, which increases the plant ability to continue the natural growth under conditions of Ras Suder soils. These findings are according to Gill and Tuteja (2010), Hamid et al. (2010), Agatia et al. (2012) and Brunetti et al. (2013).

The effect of the foliar organic acids on quinoa yields was increased when spraying in addition to mineral fertilizers than spraying only, so that the results obtained assure that the combination between mineral N ( $238 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$ ) + humic acid  $600 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$  + ascorbic acid  $1000 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$  with OM application was the most effective treatment on the yield parameters of quinoa plants, which achieved an increase reached about 118, 26.4, 3.97 and 16.8 for plant height (cm), number of branches, weight of 1000-seed (g) and weight of seeds/plant (g), respectively. Combining treatments between mineral N + organic amendments significantly increased quinoa yields as the following:  $\text{N}_2\text{Hu}_2+\text{OM} < \text{N}_2\text{As}_2+\text{OM} < \text{N}_2\text{Hu}_2\text{As}_2+\text{OM}$ . The above results agree with results obtained by Hamide et al. (2013), Azarpour et al. (2014) and Geren (2015).

## 2. Effect of Mineral N Fertilizer, Organic Manure and Organic Acids on Nutrients Content of Quinoa Straw and Seeds

Concerning the nutrients content in quinoa seeds during the two successive seasons, the second season took the same trend of the first season, so taking the average values of two seasons were taken for nutrients content and yield components to make the average account nutrients uptake by quinoa seeds during both seasons.

Data at table (3) show that the average values of N, P, and K contents of quinoa straw and seeds during the two studied seasons increased with increasing N and organic amendments rates. The N<sub>2</sub> treatment recorded increase of nutrient contents in straw by 24.6, 18.0 and 11.7% over the N<sub>1</sub> treatment for N, P and K, respectively, while being 29.0, 21.4 and 16.5% in seeds, respectively. Humic acid markedly increased K when comprised the other organic amendments, while ascorbic acid also markedly increased P. These facts may be due to that humic acid is source of K as potassium humate (12% K<sub>2</sub>O), while antioxidants are involved in many biological processes within the plant, especially energy processes and increases the plant ability to resist the harmful effect caused by high salinity of soil and irrigation water. The previous facts are assured by the results obtained by El-Bassiouny et al. (2014) and Gill and Tuteja (2010). The superior treatment was N<sub>2</sub> Hu<sub>2</sub> As<sub>2</sub> with OM, which recorded the best nutrients content in straw and seeds of quinoa plants under condition of Ras Suder soil during the two studied seasons. The previous results agree with those obtained by Darwinkel and Stølen (1997), Khaled and Fawy (2011), Brunetti et al. (2013), Azarpour et al. (2014), El-Bassiouny et al. (2014) and Geren (2015).

## 3. Effect of Treatments on Nutrients Uptake by Quinoa Straw and Seeds of Quinoa

Concerning to the effect of integration between N mineral fertilizer and organic amendments on nutrients uptake by quinoa seeds (Table 4); the N, P and K uptake increased with increasing N applications. The N<sub>2</sub> treatment gave the highest increase than N<sub>1</sub> treatment by about 18.2, 38.1 and 35.7% for N, P and K, respectively. Humic acid application increased the nutrients uptake of seeds than control treatment by 11.5, 49.3 and 14.2% for N, P and K, respectively, while the increases due to spraying with ascorbic acids were 11.5, 49.3 and 14.2%, respectively. Application of organic matter increased nutrients uptake of quinoa seeds by 30.1, 26.1 and 44.2% for N, P, K, respectively over control (without OM).

Integration between N fertilizer and the studied organic amendments increased significantly the nutrients uptake of quinoa seeds. The most effective treatment was N<sub>2</sub>+ Hu<sub>2</sub> + As<sub>2</sub> + OM. Quinoa straw N, P and K uptake were significantly affected by the different treatments. The highest values of N, P and K straw uptake were 389.7, 80 and 180.3 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>,

respectively, which obtained by N<sub>2</sub>+ Hu<sub>2</sub>+As<sub>2</sub> with OM treatment. On the opposite, N<sub>1</sub>+ Fol<sub>0</sub> without OM gave the lowest values of N, P and K uptake by straw and were 96.2, 10.5 and 43.7 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The previous results agree with those obtained by Khaled and Fawy (2011), Azarpour et al. (2014) and El-Bassiouny et al. (2014).

#### **4. Effect of Mineral N Fertilizer and Organic Amendments on Some Biochemicals Content of Quinoa Plant**

Data in table (5) show that the total phenol and total antioxidants activity in straw and seeds of quinoa increased with increasing application of N fertilizer, humic acid, ascorbic acid rates, especially when added with soil application of organic manure (48 mg ha<sup>-1</sup>). Total phenol and total antioxidant activity in straw were higher than in seeds. Application of ascorbic acid showed the highest increase of total phenol and total antioxidants activity when compared with other studied factors. The most effective treatment was N soil fertilizer at 240 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>, foliar ascorbic at the second rate of 1000 mg L<sup>-1</sup> combined with humic acid at 600 mg L<sup>-1</sup> and soil application OM. The above results agree with those obtained by Gill and Tuteja (2010), Hamide et al. (2013), Azarpour et al. (2014) and Lavini et al. (2014).

In conclusion, the yield parameters of quinoa increased with increasing application of N fertilizer, humic acid and ascorbic acid and addition of organic manure under conditions of Ras Suder soil during the two studied seasons. The yields and components of quinoa plants increased with soil application of organic manure in comparison with those without application. The treatments with organic manure gave yield values greater than without treatments by 9.0, 7.3, 8.9 and 9.4% for plant height (cm), number branches, weight of 1000-seed (g) and weight of seeds/plant (g), respectively, during the two studied seasons. The combination between mineral N at 240 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> + humic acid at 600 mg L<sup>-1</sup> + ascorbic acid at 1000 mg L<sup>-1</sup> with OM application was the most effective treatment for yields, nutrients content and biochemicals content of quinoa plants, which achieved increase of about 118, 26.4, 3.97 and 16.8 for plant height (cm), number of branches, weight of 1000-seed (g) and weight of seeds/plant (g), respectively. Combining treatments of N fertilizer with organic amendments significantly increased yields, nutrient in straw or seeds or both of them in quinoa as the following: N<sub>2</sub>Hu<sub>2</sub>+OM < N<sub>2</sub>As<sub>2</sub>+OM < N<sub>2</sub>Hu<sub>2</sub>As<sub>2</sub>+OM. Application of ascorbic acid showed the highest increase of total phenols and total antioxidants activity when compared with other studied factors.



**Table (3).** Effect of N fertilizer, organic manure and organic acids treatments on nutrient contents of quinoa straw and seeds.

OM	N	Foliar			Straw			Seeds		
		Treat.	N%	P%	K%	N%	P%	K%		
Without OM		Control	1.07	0.12	0.49	1.22	0.16	0.54		
	N <sub>1</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	1.65	0.18	0.75	1.86	0.21	0.85		
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	1.69	0.21	0.89	1.92	0.24	1.01		
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	1.74	0.23	0.93	1.99	0.26	1.06		
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	1.81	0.31	0.79	2.09	0.36	0.91		
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	1.85	0.36	0.81	2.16	0.42	0.94		
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	1.89	0.39	0.97	2.22	0.46	1.14		
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	1.95	0.43	1.01	2.31	0.51	1.20		
	N <sub>2</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	2.21	0.23	0.89	2.68	0.28	1.07		
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	2.26	0.25	1.05	2.75	0.30	1.27		
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	2.33	0.27	1.11	2.83	0.33	1.35		
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	2.41	0.37	0.89	2.93	0.44	1.08		
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	2.48	0.42	0.94	3.02	0.52	1.14		
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	2.53	0.46	1.14	3.08	0.56	1.39		
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	2.59	0.51	1.19	3.16	0.62	1.45		
	With OM		Control	1.15	0.17	0.63	1.34	0.20	0.74	
N <sub>1</sub>		Fol <sub>0</sub>	1.77	0.23	0.88	2.07	0.27	1.03		
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub>	1.78	0.25	0.95	2.09	0.29	1.12		
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub>	1.82	0.28	0.99	2.14	0.33	1.16		
N <sub>1</sub>		As <sub>1</sub>	1.85	0.37	0.86	2.18	0.44	1.01		
N <sub>1</sub>		As <sub>2</sub>	1.91	0.41	0.89	2.24	0.48	1.05		
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	1.95	0.44	1.05	2.30	0.52	1.24		
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	2.03	0.48	1.11	2.39	0.57	1.31		
N <sub>2</sub>		Fol <sub>0</sub>	2.32	0.27	0.96	2.85	0.33	1.18		
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub>	2.38	0.29	1.08	2.94	0.36	1.33		
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub>	2.43	0.31	1.12	3.00	0.38	1.38		
N <sub>2</sub>		As <sub>1</sub>	2.48	0.41	0.98	3.07	0.50	1.21		
N <sub>2</sub>		As <sub>2</sub>	2.55	0.46	1.03	3.16	0.57	1.27		
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	2.61	0.49	1.19	3.23	0.60	1.46		
N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	2.68	0.55	1.24	3.32	0.68	1.52			
LSD <sub>0.05</sub> OM			0.022	0.013	0.018	0.038	0.017	0.027		
N			0.036	0.008	0.010	0.049	0.010	0.015		
Foliar Treat.			0.007	0.003	0.004	0.009	0.004	0.005		
OM x N			0.035	0.011	0.014	0.048	0.014	0.021		
OM x Fol. T			0.009	0.004	0.004	0.013	0.004	0.005		
N x Fol. T			0.011	0.006	0.007	0.016	0.007	0.009		
OM*N*Fol. T.			0.016	0.008	0.010	0.023	0.010	0.012		

**Table (4).** Effect of N fertilizer, organic manure and organic acids on nutrients uptake by quinoa straw and seeds.

OM	N	Foliar Treatment	Straw (kg/ha)			Seeds (kg/ha)		
			N	P	K	N	P	K
Without OM		Control	40.6	4.5	18.6	9.5	1.2	4.2
	N <sub>1</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	96.2	10.5	43.7	16.7	1.9	7.7
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	102.6	12.7	54.0	18.0	2.3	9.5
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	115.4	15.2	61.7	20.5	2.7	10.9
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	132.7	22.7	57.9	23.8	4.1	10.4
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	142.8	27.8	62.5	25.7	5.0	11.2
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	154.2	31.8	79.2	28.0	5.8	14.4
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	165.0	36.4	85.4	30.3	6.7	15.7
	N <sub>2</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	227.4	23.7	91.6	42.6	4.5	17.0
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	240.7	26.6	111.8	45.4	5.0	21.0
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	259.8	30.1	123.8	49.0	5.7	23.4
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	275.5	42.3	101.7	51.9	7.8	19.1
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	298.1	50.5	113.0	56.2	9.7	21.2
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	313.7	57.0	141.4	59.1	10.8	26.7
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	330.7	65.1	152.0	62.3	12.2	28.6
With OM		Control	56.6	8.4	31.0	11.0	1.6	6.1
	N <sub>1</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	133.3	17.3	66.3	24.2	3.2	12.1
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	146.5	20.6	78.2	26.5	3.7	14.2
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	154.3	23.7	84.0	28.0	4.3	15.2
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	162.8	32.6	75.7	29.9	6.0	13.8
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	177.1	38.0	82.5	32.0	6.9	15.0
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	192.3	43.4	103.5	35.2	8.0	19.0
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	204.6	48.4	111.9	37.0	8.8	20.3
	N <sub>2</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	284.2	33.1	117.6	53.9	6.2	22.3
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	301.8	36.8	136.9	57.6	7.1	26.1
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	318.6	40.6	146.8	60.6	7.7	27.9
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	329.6	54.5	130.2	63.2	10.3	24.9
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	354.5	63.9	143.2	67.6	12.2	27.2
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	372.2	69.9	169.7	71.4	13.3	32.3
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	389.7	80.0	180.3	74.7	15.3	34.2
LSD <sub>0.05</sub> OM			13.7	3.20	7.13	2.72	0.62	1.39
N			9.3	1.78	3.51	1.83	0.35	0.69
Foliar Treat.			1.7	0.35	0.82	0.34	0.07	0.16
OM x N			9.0	2.52	3.41	1.78	0.49	0.68
OM x Fol. T			2.4	0.37	0.87	0.49	0.07	0.17
N x Fol. T			3.0	0.60	1.42	0.60	0.11	0.28
OM*N*Fol. T.			4.2	0.86	2.01	0.84	0.16	0.39

**Table (5).** Effect of N fertilizer and organic amendments on some biochemicals component of quinoa plant.

OM	N	Foliar Treatment	Total antioxidants ( $\mu\text{g Asc/ml}$ )		Total phenols ( $\mu\text{g Gal/ml}$ )	
			Seeds	Straw	Seeds	Straw
Without OM		Control	30	43	68	108
	N <sub>1</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	58	65	132	165
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	63	74	145	185
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	69	81	158	205
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	116	127	264	317
	N <sub>1</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	149	158	342	395
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	136	147	312	367
	N <sub>1</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	162	171	372	427
	N <sub>2</sub>	Fol <sub>0</sub>	64	77	147	193
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub>	70	84	163	211
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub>	75	89	175	225
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>1</sub>	125	133	288	333
	N <sub>2</sub>	As <sub>2</sub>	153	167	350	416
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	147	158	338	394
	N <sub>2</sub>	Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	175	188	400	471
	With OM		Control	50	60	114
N <sub>1</sub>		Fol <sub>0</sub>	72	85	163	213
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub>	77	89	177	224
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub>	85	97	192	245
N <sub>1</sub>		As <sub>1</sub>	132	145	304	362
N <sub>1</sub>		As <sub>2</sub>	179	187	411	466
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	148	159	340	395
N <sub>1</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	188	193	431	482
N <sub>2</sub>		Fol <sub>0</sub>	85	98	197	244
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub>	92	104	211	262
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub>	99	112	228	281
N <sub>2</sub>		As <sub>1</sub>	146	159	333	397
N <sub>2</sub>		As <sub>2</sub>	183	197	429	494
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>1</sub> +As <sub>1</sub>	157	168	363	421
N <sub>2</sub>		Hu <sub>2</sub> +As <sub>2</sub>	194	208	446	523
LSD <sub>0.05</sub> OM			15.4	3.2	23.7	27.4
N			10.5	1.6	17.0	20.2
Foliar Treat.			13.2	1.8	16.2	17.5
OM x N			14.8	2.3	34.8	41.4
OM x Fol. T			14.0	1.9	17.1	18.5
N x Fol. T			17.1	2.3	20.9	22.6
OM*N*Fol. T.			24.2	4.3	39.6	42.8

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## تأثير التسميد النتروجيني والأحماض العضوية على إنتاجية الحبوب والمحتوى البيوكيميائي لنبات الكينوا النامي تحت ظروف أراضي رأس سدر- سيناء

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أقيمت دراسة حقلية لنباتات الكينوا بمحطة بحوث رأس سدر التابعة لمركز بحوث الصحراء والواقعة عند الإحداثيات  $29^{\circ} 32' 28'' N$  &  $32^{\circ} 39' 25'' E$  خلال موسمين متتاليين؛ ٢٠١٤ و٢٠١٥. هذه التربة تروى بمياة ذات ملوحة ٧,٩٤ ديسمنز/سم. بينما كانت ملوحة EC التربة (مستخلص عجينة التربة) ٨,٥٦ ديسمنز/سم. بذور الكينوا صنف يوتوسايا (صنف مقاوم للملوحة) زرعت في ٣٠ نوفمبر على بعد ١٥ سم بين البذور و ٥٠ سم بين الصفوف. كان متوسط كثافة النباتات ١٣,٣ نبات/م<sup>٢</sup> أو ١٣٣٠٠٠ نبات في الهكتار. الهدف من هذه الدراسة هو إحراز أقصى محصول باستخدام التسميد المعدني بخاصة النتروجين والتسميد العضوي للوصول إلى حدود الكفاية من العناصر الغذائية لنبات الكينوا وحامض الهيومك للمساعدة في نمو النبات وكذلك حامض الأسكوربيك لزيادة قدرة النبات على مقاومة الظروف الملحية في أراضي رأس سدر علاوة على أهمية السماد العضوي لتقليل الأثر الضار للملوحة وتحسين خواص التربة.

النتائج المتحصل عليها تؤكد أن قياسات المحصول لنبات الكينوا ومحتوى العناصر الغذائية والتمتص منها تزداد مع زيادة معدلات إضافة سماد النتروجين المعدني، السماد العضوي، حمض الهيومك وحمض الأسكوربيك تحت ظروف أراضي رأس سدر خلال موسمي الدراسة. قياسات المحصول لنبات الكينوا تزداد مع إضافة السماد العضوي عند المقارنة بعدم الإضافة. المعاملات المضاف إليها السماد العضوي أعطت قيم للمحصول أكبر من المعاملات بدون إضافة، وكانت الزيادة حوالى ٩,٠، ٧,٣، ٨,٩ و ٩,٤ لكل من ارتفاع النبات (سم)، عدد الأفرع، وزن ألف بذرة (جرام) ووزن البذور/نبات (جرام)، على التوالي خلال الموسمين المتتاليين. التداخل بين التسميد النتروجيني ٢٤٠ كجم/هكتار + ٦٠٠ ملليجرام/لتر حامض الهيومك + ١٠٠٠ ملليجرام/لتر حامض الأسكوربيك مع إضافة المادة العضوية تكون هي المعاملة الأكثر تأثيراً على المحصول (البذور والقش) ومحتوى العناصر الغذائية والمحتوى البيوكيميائي لنبات الكينوا. حيث حققت زيادة المحصول النتائج ١١٨، ٢٦,٤، ٣,٩٧ و ٤٧,٤ لكل من ارتفاع النبات (سم)، عدد الأفرع، وزن ألف بذرة (جرام) ووزن البذور/نبات (جرام)، على التوالي. تأثير التداخل بين المعاملات على المحصول ومحتوى العناصر الغذائية الممتص منها والمحتوى البيوكيميائي لنبات الكينوا قد ترتبت كالاتي:  $N_2Hu_2+OM < N_2As_2+OM < N_2Hu_2As_2+OM$ . إضافة حامض الأسكوربيك كان الأعلى في زيادة الفينولات الكلية ومضادات الأكسدة الكلية النشطة عند مقارنتها مع عوامل الدراسة الأخرى.