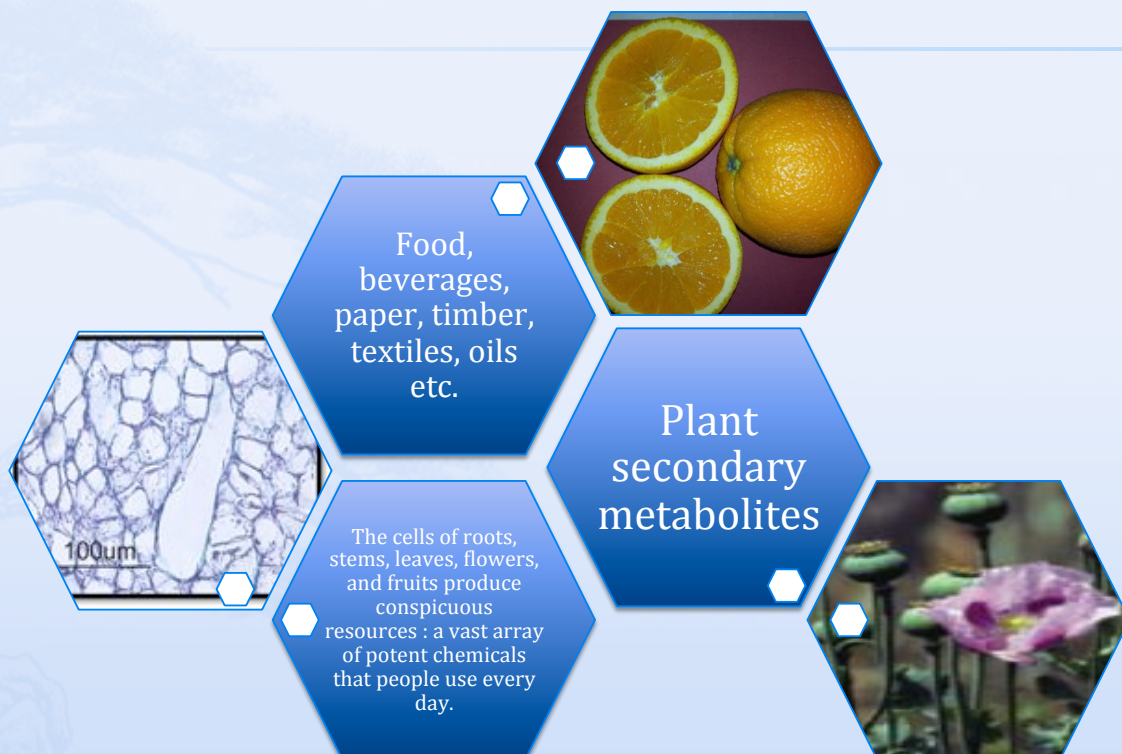


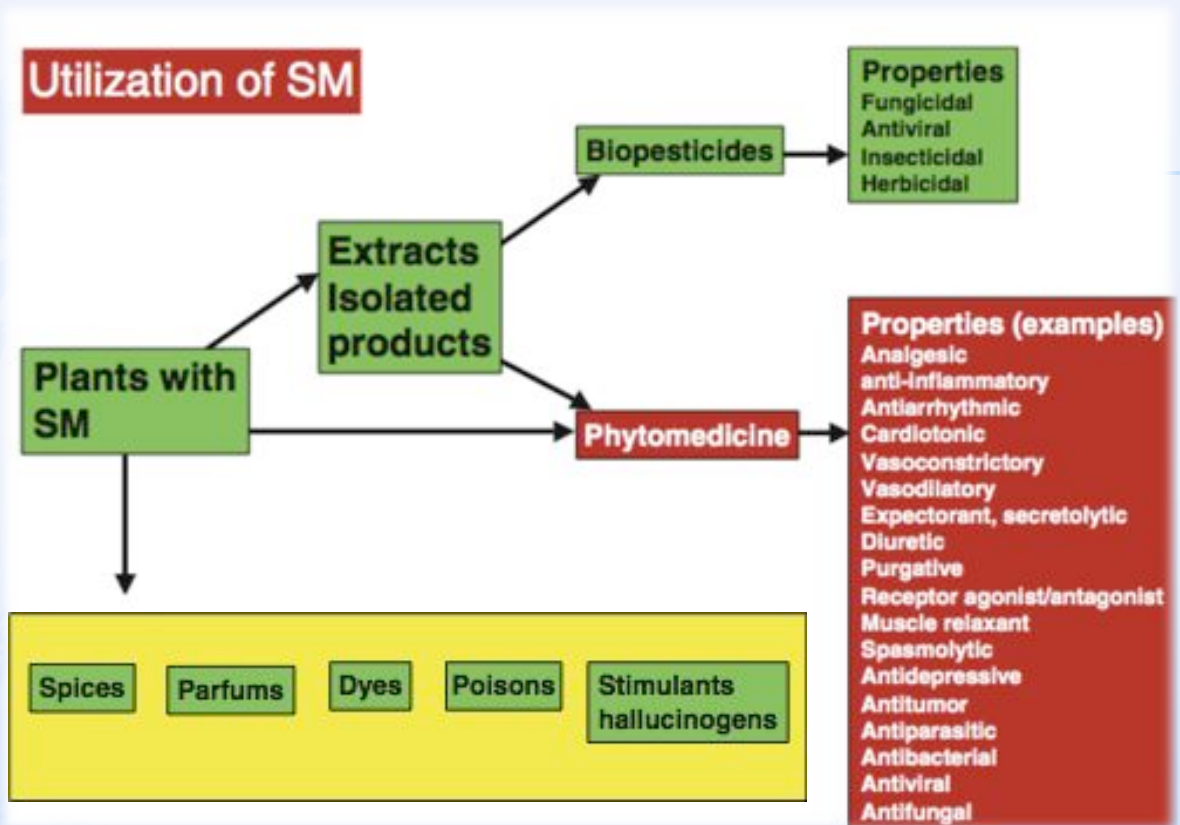
# ***In vitro* study on production and histochemical localization of essential oils produced in root plantlet of java vetiver (*Vetiveria zizanioides*)**



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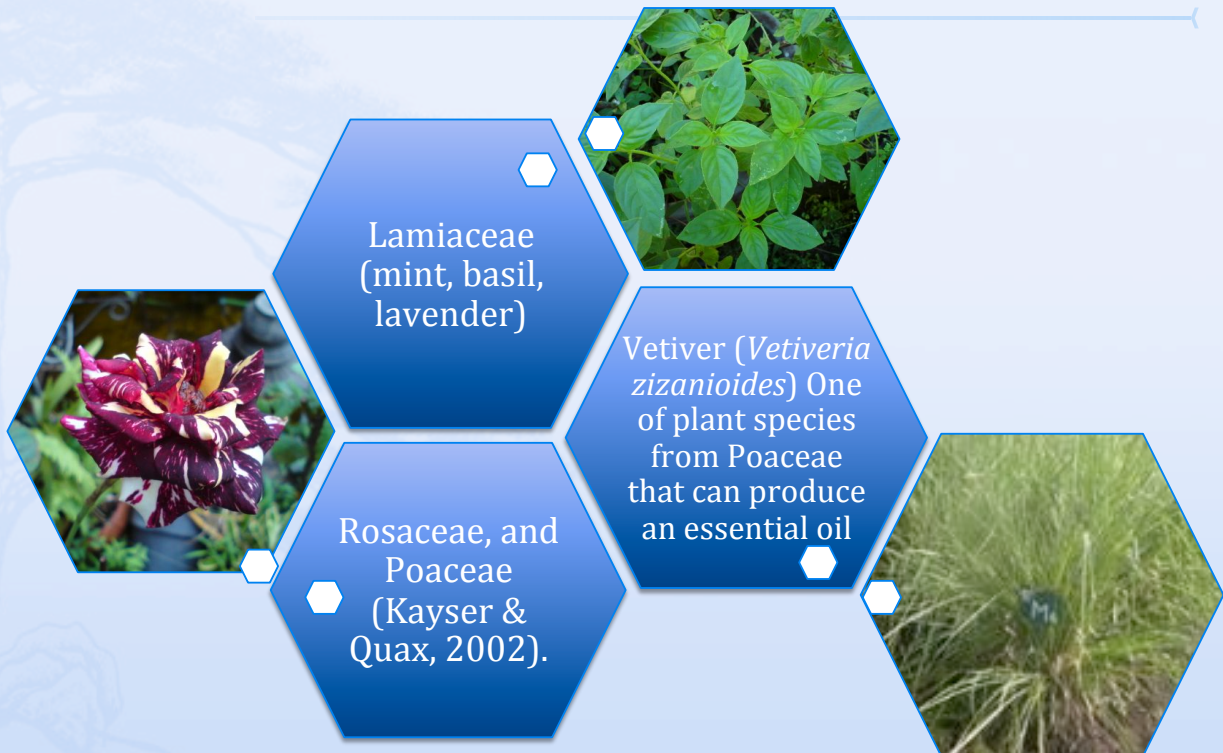
## The use of plant secondary metabolites

(Wink, 2009)

## Essential oils

- Essential oils are volatile aromatic compounds that are used in flavors, fragrances, and in aroma therapy for health purposes (Oyen and Dung 1999).
- The essential oil is named after the aromatic plant from which it has been derived.
- They are often stored in specialized storage and secretory sites like glandular hairs, resin canals or oil ducts and schizogenous glands (Banthorpe 1988; Charlwood and Charlwood 1991).
- Essential oils may be found in any part of a plant and can be extracted from roots, wood, bark, leaves, flowers, fruit and seed for commercial purposes (Oyen and Dung 1999).

# Essential oil-producing plants



## *Vetiveria zizanioides* (vetiver)

Perennial tropical grass, belongs to the family of Poaceae (Gramineae)

### Use of vetiver :

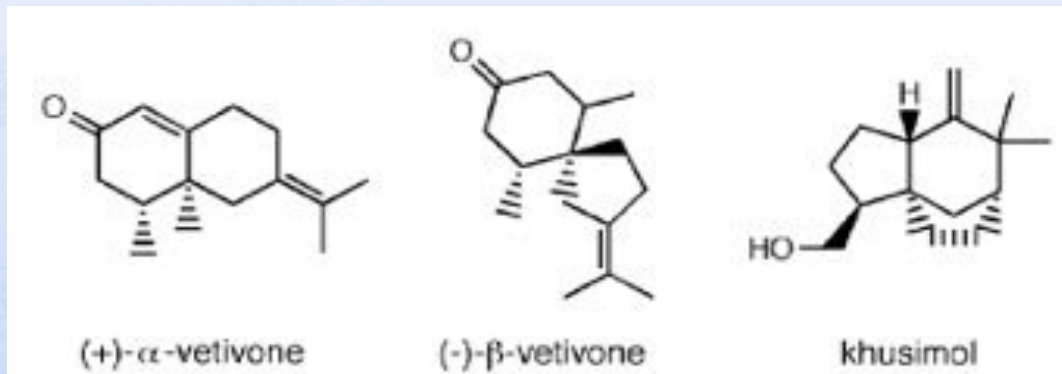
- Protection against erosion → its densely packed, stiff and tough grass stems and the deeply penetrating root system
- Roots contain an essential oil, called vétiver oil.
- Vétiver is highly tolerant to arsenic, cadmium, chromium, copper, lead, nickel and zinc in the soil → suitable for the rehabilitation of lands contaminated with these elements
- Medicinal applications. In medicine, both the plant and its essential oil are used. Vetiver oil - antifungi, antimicrobial, dan antioxidant

(Adams et ai. 1998; ; Chou et al., 2012; de Guzman and Oyen 1999; Devprakashet al., 2011; Kim et al., 2005; Vietmeyer and Ruskin 1993).



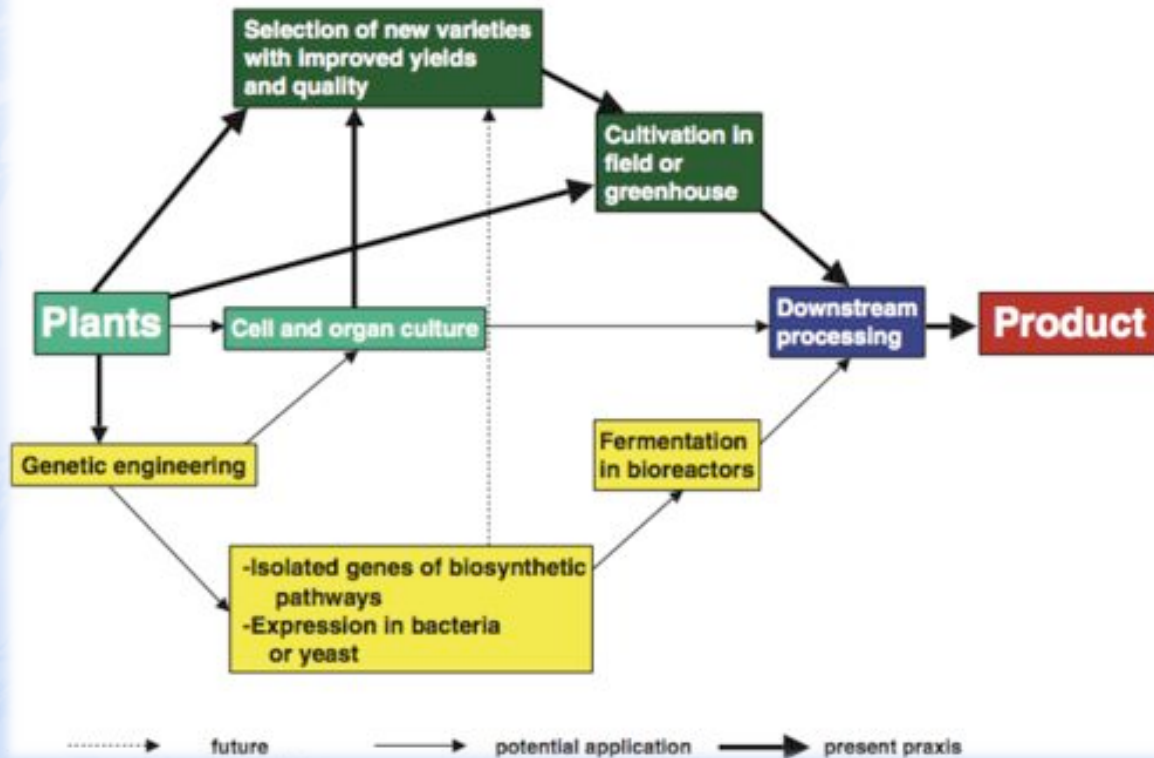
# Vetiver oil

- Composed of 300 components → cyclic dan bicyclic sesquiterpenoid, hidrokarbon, alkohol, keton, aldehid dan asam organik (Cazasaussus *et al.*, 1988; de Guzman dan Oyen, 1999; Vietmeyer dan Ruskin, 1993), monoterpen (Nikiforov *et al.*, 1992) dan fenolik senyawa (Shibamoto dan Nishimura, 1982).
- Komponen utama yang mempengaruhi kualitas minyak vetiver → nootkatone, seperti (+)- $\alpha$ -vetivone, (-)- $\beta$ -vetivone dan khusimol (de Guzman dan Oyen, 1999; Demole *et al.*, 1995).



- \* Naturally, vetiver can be propagated using a rhizome → long period of vegetative propagation
  - \* In vitro culture of vetiver can be used as an alternative method for
    - \* plant improvement
    - \* secondary metabolite production
- (Mucciarelli & Leupin, 2002).

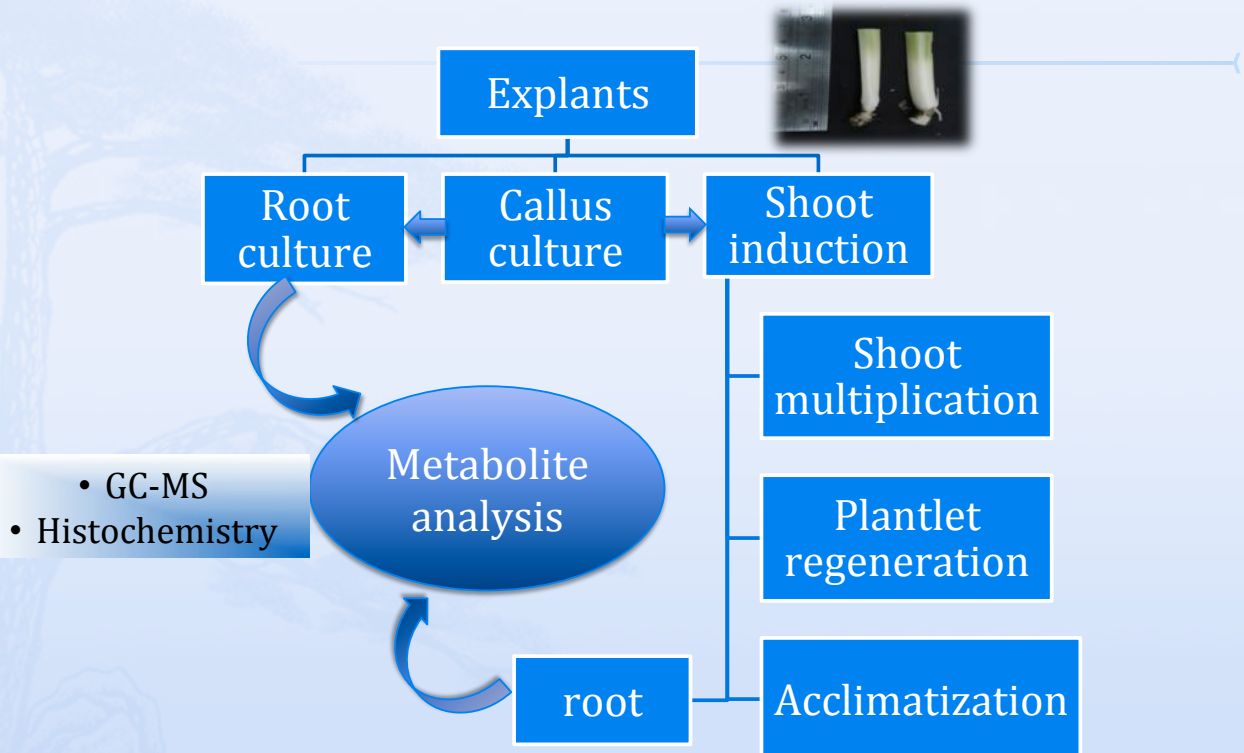
## Strategies for the production of secondary metabolites (Wink, 2009).



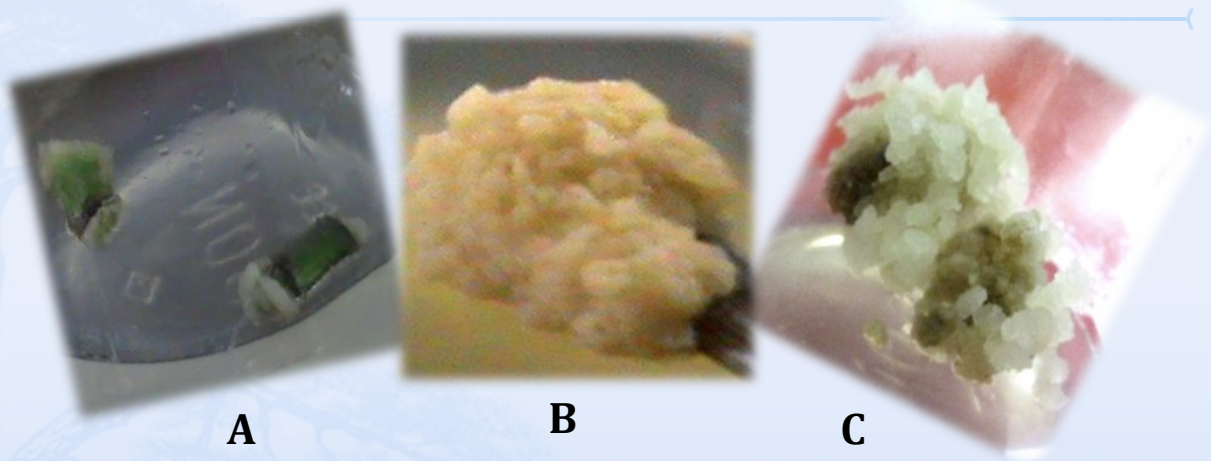
## Research purposes

- ✿ To establish plantlet of *Vetiveria zizanioides*.
- ✿ To compare composition of extract of Vetiver oil in root of plantlet and root of *in vivo* plant
- ✿ To examine localization of vetiver oil in root cell of *V. zizanioides* by using histochemistry method.

# Materials and methods



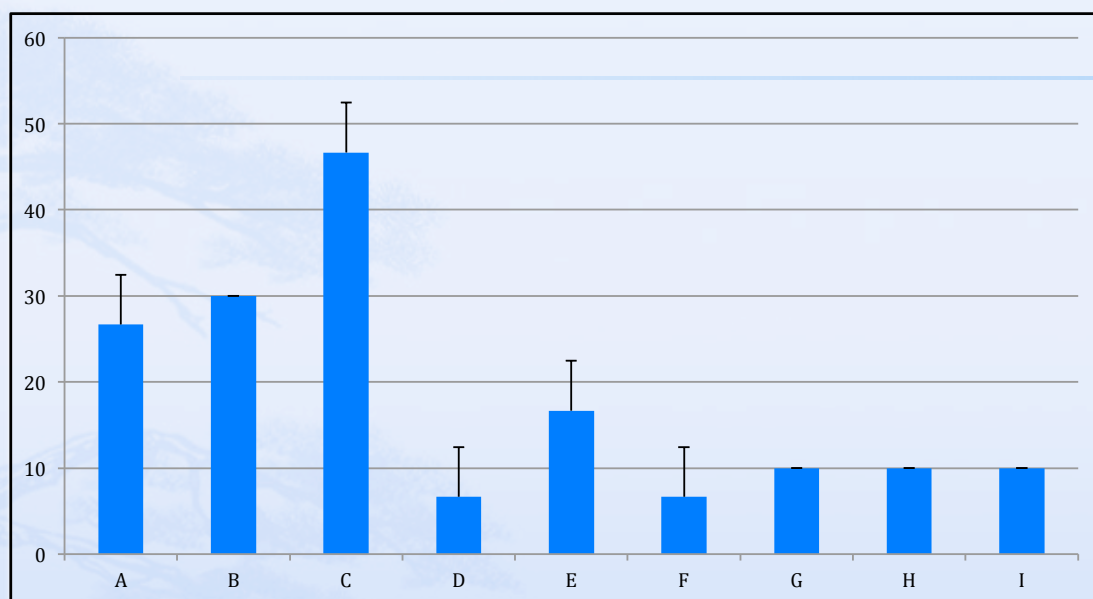
## Callus culture



Callus regeneration from explant of vetiver following culture in MS media supplemented with 2,4-D, IAA and kinetin. A. Callus developed at cutting edge area of explant. B. Yellowish friable callus. C. White friable callus.

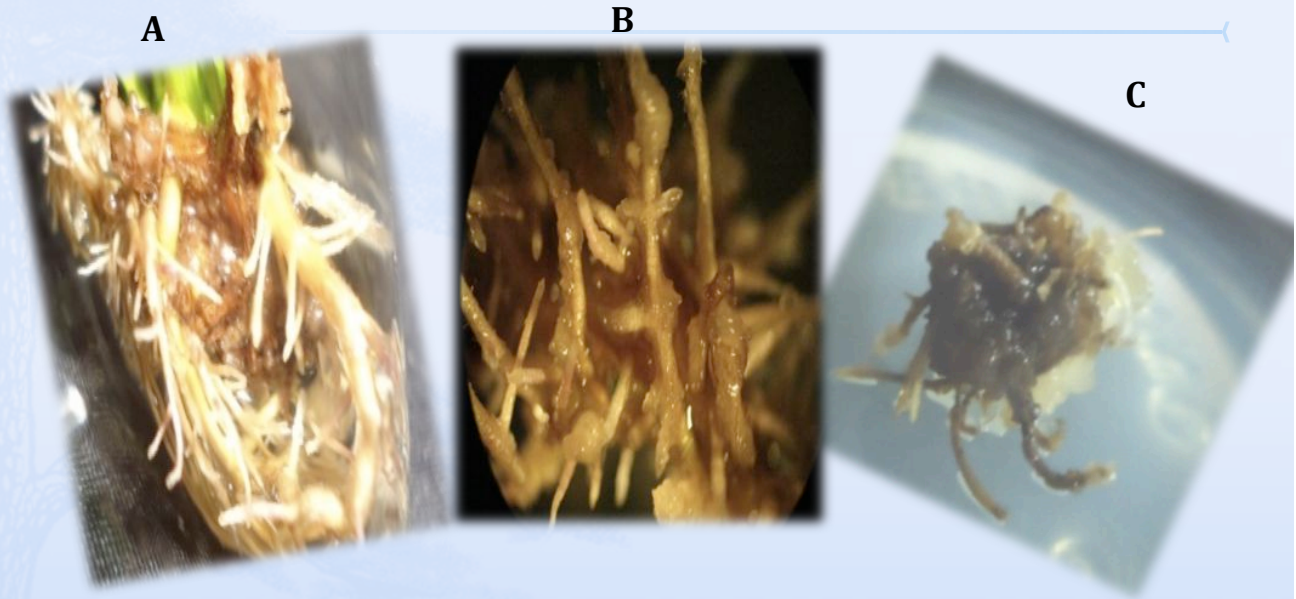
## Morphology of callus developed on MS media supplemented with several combination of growth regulators

Growth regulators (ppm)			Percentage explant producing callus (%)	Callus morphology
2,4-D	IAA	Kinetin		
1	1	1	26,67	Friable
1	2	2	30	Friable
2	1	1	46,67	Friable
2	2	2	6.67	Compact
1	4	4	16.67	Friable
2	4	4	6.67	Compact
4	1	1	10	Compact
4	2	2	10	Friable
4	4	4	10	Compact



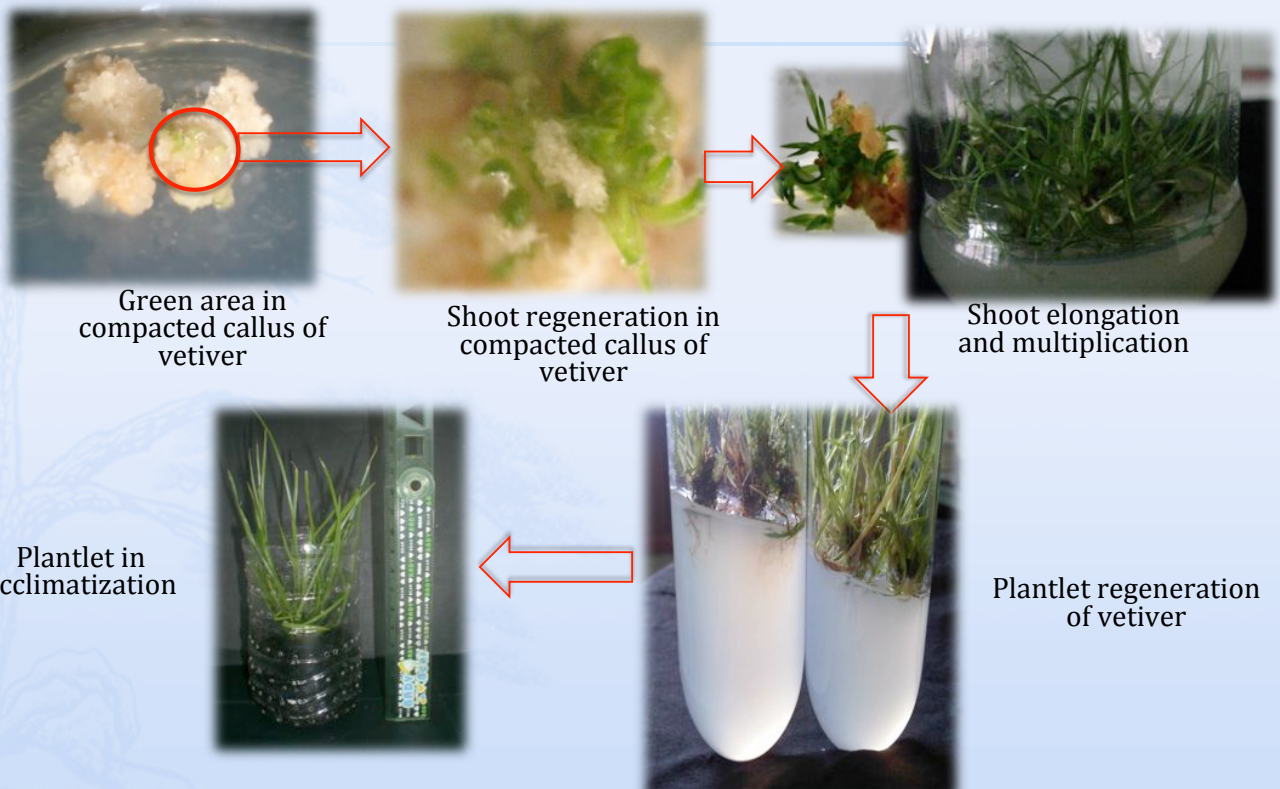
Percentage of callus forming-explants in MS media supplemented with combination of growth regulators (2,4-D; IAA; KIN)

# Root culture



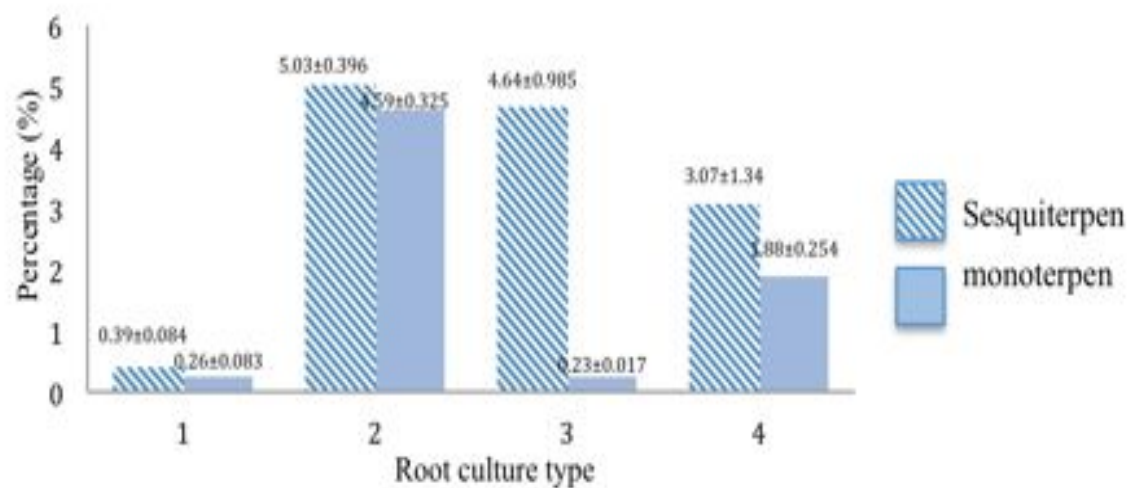
Adventitious root formation at the basal shoot explant (A & B) and rooted callus (C) of vetiver following cultured in MS medium supplemented with 1 ppm NAA or 0.5 ppm NAA

# Plantlet regeneration



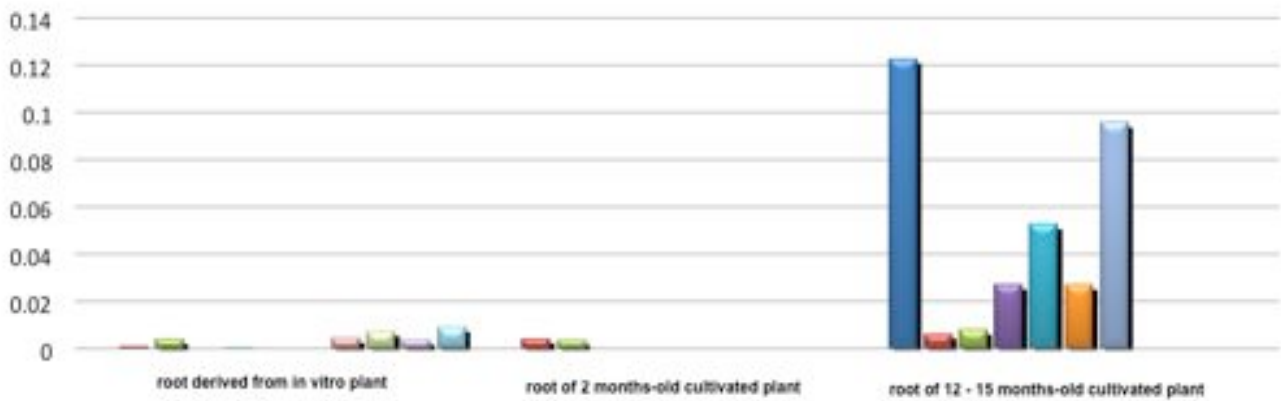


# METABOLITE ANALYSIS



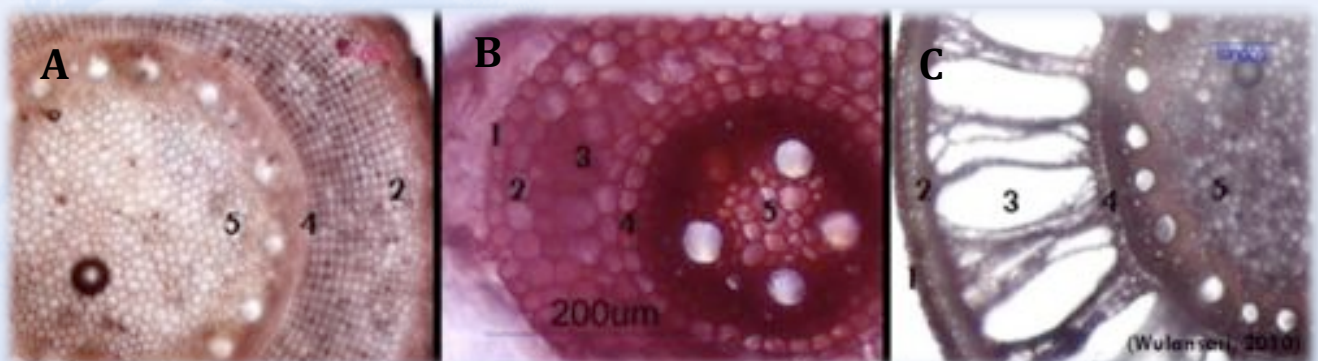
Sesquiterpen and monoterpen concentration on root culture of *Vetiveria zizanioides*. (1) root tip-derived root culture. (2) shoot basal-derived root culture. (3) callusing root culture. (4) adventitious root culture.

## Composition of vetiver oil in root from *in vitro* culture and cultivated plant of *Vetiveria zizanioides*

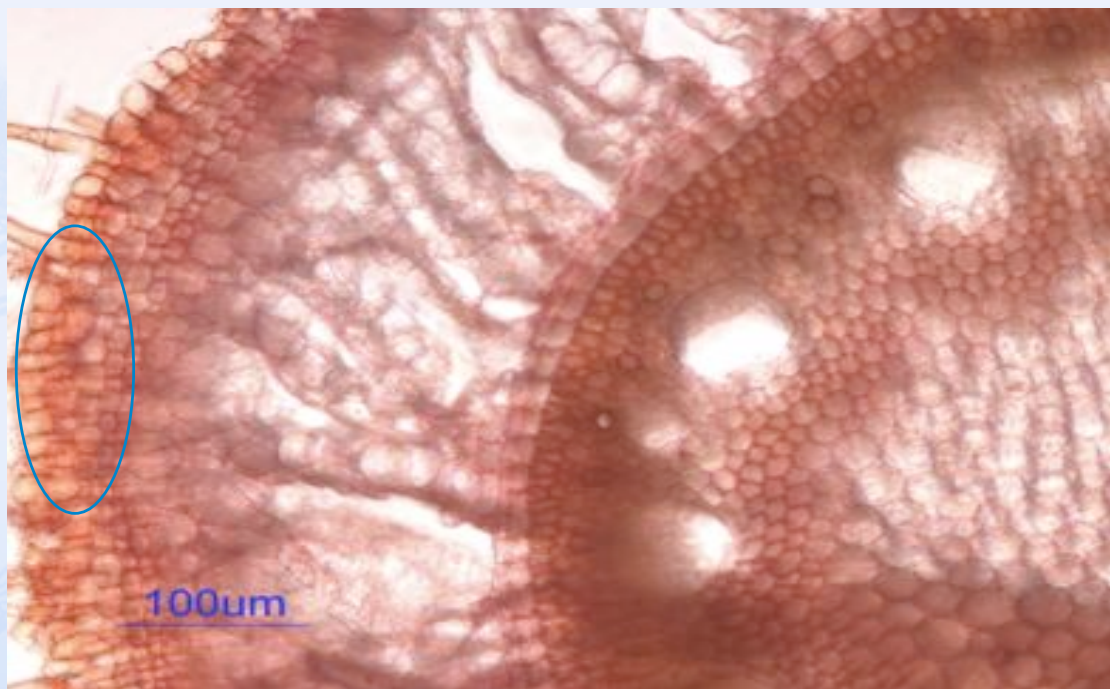


- phenol,2,4,6-tris (1-methylethyl)
- 2-Naphtalenemethanol,decahydro- $\alpha,\alpha,4$ -trimethyl-8-methylene, [2R(2.alpha.,4a.alpha.,8a.beta.)]
- 2-Naphtalenemethanol, 1,2,3,4,4a,8a-hexahydro- $\alpha,\alpha,4a,8$  tetramethyl-, [2R-(2.alpha.,4a.alpha.,8a.alpha.)]-
- 1H-3a,7-Methanoazulene-7(1H)-one,octahydro-4,8,8-trimethyl-6-methylene-
- 1,4-methanoazulen, octahydro-3,8,8-trimethyl-6-methylene-,[3R(3.alpha.,3a.beta.,7.beta.,8a.alpha.)]
- isoleidene
- beta.vatirene
- Ylangene
- Cedrene
- Junipene
- bicyclosquisphellandrene

## Histochemistry



Root cross section of *Vetiveria zizanioides*. A. A month-old of cultivated plant. B. 5-month-old plant derived from *in vitro* culture. C. 12-15 month-old cultivated plant.



Root cross section of *Vetiveria zizanioides* showing positive reaction with neutral red, a reagent for terpenoid detection

## Conclusions

- Plantlet of *Vetiveria zizanioides* has been successfully regenerated from basal shoot explant following cultured in MS media supplemented with 2,4-D, IAA and kinetin for callus induction, MS + BAP for shoot induction and multiplication and MS + IBA for root induction. Plantlet showed high survival rate during acclimatization
- Quantitative and qualitative analysis of metabolite showed that the component of vetiver oil could be detected in root culture
- Root from 2-month old *in vitro* plant of *Vetiveria zizanioides* could produce vetiver oil.
- *In vitro* culture is a potential method for plant regeneration, as well as for essential oil production of *Vetiveria zizanioides*