Effect of Weak Electro Magnetic Field on Grain Germination and Seedling Growth of Different Wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.) Cultivars

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Abstract: Growth parameters data were used in this study for the evaluation of nine wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.) cultivars Giza168, Tabouki, Kaseemi, Yamanei, Madini, Nagrani and Seds 12 at the University of King Abdul Aziz in season 2011. Grains of wheat different cultivars were exposed in batches to weak electric magnetic fields (3000 gauss = 0.3T of magnetic force) for 30 min. Then, the magnetic treated grains were placed in Petri dishes between two layers of moist germination paper by magnetic water. They were placed in the germination incubator at 20°C in an upright position. In order to estimate the rate of germination and percentage of germination. After 21 days, different plant growth parameters were tested such as shoot length, root length, shoot / root length, seedling length, seedling fresh and dry weight based on normal seedlings and effect of magnetic treatments on number of protein bands in wheat seedling. The results showed that all magnetic field treatments increased the rate and percentage of germination, all growth parameters and number of protein bands based on normal seedlings in wheat cultivars. The higher increments observed when grain exposed to weak electric magnetic field strengths 0.3 T at 30 min and dipp in magnetic water compared with control and cultivar Sakha93 showed decreased in the percentage of germination, all seedling growth parameters and numbers of seedling protein bands when exposed to all magnetic field treatments compared with controls, while Masr1 cv. No effected when treated compared with control. Magnetic field and water application gave best results in all seedling parameters compared to unexposed control.

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1. Introduction

The major crops in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia include cereals (wheat, sorghum, barley and millet), vegetables (tomato, watermelon, eggplant, potato, cucumber and onions), fruits (date-palm, citrus and grapes) and forage crops (alfalfa). These crops are cultivated over an area of nearly 1.1 million hectare which represents about 81 percent of the total cultivated area. In 2009 year, wheat was cultivated over an area of about 744 422 hectare (i.e. 55 percent of the total cultivated area), and production was about 3.5 million tones. (FAOSTAT, 2009).

Electric field is one kind of stress, which can affect directly or indirectly on the plant. Different plant species in their sensitivity and response to environmental stresses because they have various capabilities for stress perception, signaling and response. Over many years, the effects of magnetic fields on plant life have been subjected to several studies. As early as **Savostin (1930)** reported a 100% increase in the rate of elongation of wheat seedlings under the influence of a magnetic field.

Several researches tried to define the effect of such field on the growth rate of the wheat plant.

processes in wheat plant grains was studied and the stimulating of MF on the early growth processes, plant grains is attenuated when the ratio between the periods of exposure and intervals between them (the on – off time ratio) increases (Es, Kov and Darkov, 2003). Hanafy et al (2006) indicated that the electric magnetic field of both systems showed a high frequency of chromosomal abnormalities and the treated wheat flower buds showed a marked increase in the frequency of the nonviable pollen grains. They also reported that the changes in the morphological characters where the stem length increased but the spike weight and the number of grains in the spike decreased. Furthermore, their data showed an increase in the total chlorophyll of leaf content and the total carbohydrates in the grains. On the other hand, molecular structure of the extracted Water soluble protein changed the amount of protein in the bands of exposed grains decreased and their molecular weights changed. Hozavn and Abdul Qados (2010) reported that the growth parameters and yield components of wheat plants is concomitantly increased when wheat plants irrigated

Influence of magnetic field (MF) on the early growth

with magnetic water with increasing photosynthetic pigment; endogenous total indole; total phenols and protein synthesis. Earlier studies on the effects of static fields on germination of other plants are summarized in table 1.

Seed	Magnetic field strength and period	Effect of exposure	Ref.
Soybean	Exposed to 2.9-4.6 mile Tesla for 2.2,6.6	Shoot and root formation, fresh weights	Atak, et al., 2003
<i>Glycine max</i> L.	and 19.8 seconds periods	and chlorophyll quantities were increased	
Merrill		in all magnetic field experiments.	
Tobacco	Magnetic field with induction of 0.15	The germination energy and the	Aladjiyan and Yaieva,
Nicotiana tabacum L.	Tesla, at expositions 10, 20 and 30 min.	germination were increased.	2003
Maize	Exposed to one of two magnetic field	Rate of germination was increased.	Fl'orez, et al., 2007
Zea mays	strengths, 125 or 250 mT for different		
	periods of time		
Chick-Pea	Magnetic water prepared using	Magnetized water has very affective	Nasher, 2008
Cicer arietinum L.	permanent magnets (0.32T)	effects on seeds. The crop production and	
		plant length increase noticeably. Treating	
		water with static magnetic field	
Snow pea and Celery	Magnetic field in the range of 3.5-136	Treatments were increases in plant yield	Maheshwari and Singh
Pisum sativum var.	mT was used for the magnetic treatment	and water productivity.	Grewal, 2009
saccharatum and	of irrigation water.		
Apium graveolens			
Date Palm	Seedlings were treated with static	Results indicated that pigments content	Faten Dhawi and Al-
Phoenix dactylifera	magnetic field at three levels of (10, 50	(chlorophyll a, chlorophyll b, carotenoids	Khayri, 2009
	and 100 mT) and different durations (30,	and total pigments) was significantly	
	60, 180, 240 and 360 min). with	increased under static magnetic field.	
	alternating magnetic field at 1.5 T for		
	different durations (1, 5, 10 and 15 min).		
Rose coco beans	Seeds were exposed to field generated by	Maximum seed germination occurred	Odhiambo et al., 2009
Phaseolus vulgaris	Helmholtz coil, North Pole or the South	when exposed to South Pole field	
	Pole with constant magnetic fields of 5	inducing percent germination of	
	mT, 10 mT, 30 mT and 60 mT. The	approximately 73% compared to 52% of	
	exposure period was fixed at 3, 4.5 and 6	the control at field strength of 30 mT at	
	h and exposed after 12 h incubation.	exposure period of 4.5 h.	
Chickpea	Seeds of different varieties of chickpea	The results showed that magnetic field	Tahir and Hama Karim,
(Cicer arietinum L.)	were exposed in batches to static	application enhanced seed performance in	2010
	magnetic fields (1500 X10-4 T of	terms of laboratory germination and	
	magnetic force) for 30, 50 and 70 min.	among the various duration exposures, 50	
		and /0 min. exposures gave best results.	
Tomato (Lycopersicon	Exposed to different magnetic strengths	The best results were found by magnetic	Abou El-Yazied, et al.,
esculentum Mill) cv.	(0.1, 0.15 and 0.2 Lesla) for periods of 1,	seed treatment with 0.1 Tesia for 15 min.	2011
Castirock	5, 10 and 15 minutes.		

Table ((1)	: Summary	of	previous	researches	invo	lving	static	magnetic	fields
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The main objective of this work is to quantify the possible effect of magnetic field strengths (0.3 T at 30 min) treatment on the wheat plant performances such as, germination %, shoot length, root length, shoot L./ root L., seedling length, seedling fresh weight, seedling dry weight and relative water content of different wheat plant cultivars. Effect of magnetic field and irrigation by magnetic water treatments on many of protein patterns in different wheat leaves cultivars were observed.

2. Materials and methods Plant material

The plant material comprised of nine cultivars of wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.) including Giza168, Sakha 93, Masr1 and Seds 12 were obtained from Agronomy Research Department, Field Crops Institute, Agriculture Research Centre, Giza, Egypt and Tabouki, Kaseemi, Yamanei, Madini and Nagrani were obtained from Agronomy Research Department, Field Crops Institute, Agriculture Research Centre, Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Magnetic treatment

Grains without visible defect, insect damage and malformation were selected and divided into four groups in a complete randomized design. Each group consists of three replicates (a replicate is one Petri dish containing 20 healthy grains). The namely of the groups was as follows, group 1: Exposed to magnetic field and dipping in magnetic water; group2: Exposed to magnetic field and dipping in tap water; group3: Not exposed to magnetic field and dipping in magnetic water, and group 4: Not exposed to magnetic field and dipping in tap water (Control). Drought grains were exposed for 30 minutes to a constant of pulsed magnetic field by placing them between the poles of an electromagnet (58 mm in diameter, located 30 mm apart) with the longitudinal (body) axis oriented along the magnetic lines of force at magnetic field strengths, 0.3 T.

Grain germination was achieved in three replications each with 20 grains placed on two layers of moist filter paper in Petri dishes (imbibed with 15 ml of magnetized water exposed at magnetic field strengths, 0.3 T.). They were placed in the germination incubator at 20 °C in an upright position. After 6 days, germinated seeds were grouped as normal, abnormal seedling, fresh ungerminated and dead grains. Germination percentage was calculated based on normal seedlings of plant research.

Growth parameters

This research was carried out in 2010 - 2011 season at Faculty of Science, North Jeddah Branch -Department of Biological Sciences - University of King Abdul Aziz as to determine the impact of magnetic application on nine wheat cultivars grown under optimum conditions. A complete randomized design with three replications was used. Each replicate consist of 20 grains were sown in a plastic pots (19 cm height, 15 cm diameter) of soil containing mix (2 soil: 1 peat moss). The four groups of each wheat grains cultivar are selected with 60 grains for each cultivar under each treatment. Group 1: Grain exposed to magnetic field and treated (pping & irrigation) by magnetic water; Group2: Grain exposed to magnetic field and treated (dipping & irrigation) by tap water; group3: Grain exposed to magnetic field and treated (dipping & irrigation) by magnetic water, and group 4: Grains not exposed to magnetic field and treated (dipping & irrigation) by tap water (Control). Irrigation was provided as and when required. The plastic pots were maintained in greenhouse under natural light. After three weeks from planting the growth parameters, including, shoot length, root length, shoot L./ root L., seedling length, shoot and root fresh weight and shoot & root dry weight of different wheat plant cultivars were measured and relative water content was calculated according to Henson et al. (1981) by the following equation: 100 X (Fresh weight - Dry weight)/Fresh weight.

Protein patterns analyses

Fifty mg dry tissues of nine wheat cultivars leaves which treated by magnetic field and magnetic water compared with un treated control leaves were ground to flour in a mortar by using liquid nitrogen. Total soluble proteins were extracted in SDS reducing buffer, (store at room temperature) composed of Deionized water (38 ml), 0.5 M Tris -HCl -pH 6.8 (10 ml), Glycerol (8 ml), 10 % (w/v) SDS (16 ml), 2mercapto-ethanol (4ml) and 1% (w/v) Bromophenol blue (4ml) until became total volume 80 ml. Sodium dodecyl sulfate polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE) was carried out in 10% acrylamide slab

gels following the system of (Laemmli, 1970). Separating gels composed of 0.75M Tris - HCl 0.025% of N,N,N,NpH8.8, 10% SDS, tetramethylenediamine (TEMED) and 30% ammonium persulfate. Stacking gels contained 0.57M Tris-HCl pH6.8, 10% SDS, 0.025% TEMED and 30% ammonium persulfate. Electrode buffer contained 0.025M Tris, 0.192M glycine, 0.1% SDS and pH8.3. Electrophoresis was carried out with a current of 25 mA and 130 volts per gel until the bromophenol blue marker reached the bottom of the gel after 3hrs. After electrophoresis, the Commassie Brilliant R250 staining method was used for protein bands and polypeptides.

Statistical analyses

All data were subjected to analysis of variance (ANOVA), and means were compared by two conventional methods of analysis. The LSD values for significant mean differences at levels P < 0.05 and 0.01 were separated. All statistical tests were carried out using Costat software.

3. Results and Discussions

Data in (Table 2) Pointed out that all magnetic field treatments increased the percentage of germination and rate germination in all wheat cultivars but higher increments observed when grain exposed to weak magnetic field strengths 0.3 T at 30 min and dipped in magnetic water compared with control. Wheat cultivars such as Giza168, Tabouki, Kaseemi, Yamanei and Madini were observed 100% germination percentage compared with control. The magnetic field stimulates the development of the germ and leads to increasing the germination energy and germination. A hypothesis about the explanation of the results obtained has been proposed, especially about the stimulating effect of the magnetic different grain wheat cultivars treatment depended on the dose of magnetic field and the time of exposure used, these results are in agreement with those reported by Es,Kov and Darkov (2003); Hanafy et al. (2006) and Hozayn and Abdul Qados (2010), but, Gusta et al. (1978) who reported that the exposure of dry seeds of wheat, barley and wild oats to a magnetic field had no effect on germination and seedling growth.. On the other hand, Apasheva et al. (2006) reported that the statistically increase significant results demonstrating the effect of alternating electromagnetic field with different duration of exposure on the rate of seed germination depending on seed state (dry or moistened). Cultivars Sakha93 and Masr1 showed decreased in the percentage of germination and germination rate when exposed to all magnetic field treatments compared with controls, is shown to depend on the extent of membrane stretching and release of peripheral protein from membranes this result garmented with Aksyonov et al. (2007).

	Percentage of germination end after 6 days											
Treatments	Exposure	+ Dipping	Exposure +	Dipping Tap	No exposur	e + Dipping	No exp	oosure +	_			
	Magnet	ic water	wa	ter	Magnet	ic water	Dipping Tap water		ar	Đ,		
	Germination	Germination	Germination	Germination	Germination	Germination	Germina	Germinati	We	L.S.		
Cultivars	Rate	%	Rate	%	Rate	%	tion Rate	on %				
Giza168	60/60	100	50/60	83.33	54/60	90	25/60	83.33	a94.17			
Sakha 93	40/60	66.67	46/60	76.67	54/60	90	58/60	96.67	ab 90.84			
Tabouki	60/60	100	56/60	93.33	46/60	76.67	46/60	76.67	ab 90.84			
Kaseemi	60/60	100	60/60	100	56/60	93.33	50/60	83.33	abc 89.17	~~~~		
Masr 1	46/60	76.67	36/60	60	42/60	70	56/60	86.67	bcd 86.67	L.		
Yammanei	60/60	100	60/60	100	46/60	76.67	52/60	86.67	cd 83.34	9		
Madini	60/60	100	52/60	86.67	58/60	96.67	48/60	80	cd 82.50			
Nagrani	56/60	86.67	48/60	80	54/60	90	46/30	76.67	d 81.67			
Seds 12	52/60	83.33	48/60	80	52/60	86.67	46/60	76.67	e 73.34			

Table (2): Effect of magnetic treatments on germination rate in different wheat grain cultivars after 6 days from grains treatment

In general, growth parameters including: shoot length, root length, shoot length / root length and seedling length were better with magnetic field treatments comparing with control treatment. The data reported in (Tables 3 and 4) showed that the increase in stimulation rate of many different wheat cultivars (Giza168, Tabouki, Kaseemi, Yamanei, Madini, Nagrani and Seds) in all seedling growth parameters.

Maximum shoot length, root length, shoot length / root length and seedling length parameters was obtained when magnetic grain treatment and magnetically treated water were jointly applied as compared to control treatments. While Sakha93 cultivar observed negative stimulating for magnetic field and magnetic water treatments therefore, recorded decreased significant in all seedling growth parameters that were measurements.

On the other hand, the magnetic treatment doesn't effects on seedling growth parameter for Masr1cv.

than those of the control treatment. Similar result was noticed by **Ibrahim and Khafagi (2004)** who found that seedlings from *Pergamum harmala* L. seeds treated with magnetic field were higher significant increasing compared with control. **Hanafy** *et al.* **(2006)** indicated that the electric magnetic field of both systems showed that the changes in the growth characters where the stem length increased and **Hozayn and Abdul Qados (2010)** who reported that the growth parameter and yield components of wheat plants are concomitantly increased when wheat plants irrigated with magnetic water.

On the other hand, **Kordas (2002)** who mentioned that the effect of a constant magnetic field on the root system and green tops, as well as on yield of spring wheat and in all cases there was observed a slight stimulating effect of the factors examined. Moreover, the growth dynamics were weakened and the plants were shorter, and so were their culms and ears.

Treatments					р	plant performance (cm)												
			Shoot len	gth					Root length	l								
	Exposu	re MF	Un expos	sure MF	-	0 10	Exposu	ire MF	Un exposu	ire MF	-	0.10						
	Magnetic	Тар	Magnetic	Тар	n de	SI .05	Magnetic	Тар	Magnetic	Тар	n de	1S .0.						
Cultivars	water	water	water	water	~	10	water	water	water	water	~							
Giza168	20.11±	15.17±	17.83±	12.67±	a		13.17±	10.66±	11.41±	9.81±	а							
	0.808332	0.823165	0.944646	0.566647	18.46		0.094163	0.276446	0.183848	0.304083	15.61	1						
Sakha 93	10.20±	14.65±	19.02±	21.73±	b		8.36±	11.61±	13.036±	13.11±	ab	1						
	0.642979	0.629921	0.044969	0.348935	16.73		0.151511	0.430426	0.024386	0.045792	15.16	1						
Tabouki	21.75±	18.97±	16.2±	10.017±	С		10.27±	13.97±	12.63±	4.47±	bc	1						
	0.349221	0.430581	0.571859	0.671532	16.67		0.185532	0.469207	0.409145	0.173269	13.69	1						
Kaseemi	14.79±	20.57±	20.13±	9.1±	d		15.01±	16.99±	16.15±	12.48±	cd	1						
	0.644429	0.236972	0.233381	0.268494	16.45		0.008165	0.067987	0.469065	0.15195	12.79	l						
Masr 1	19±	9.07±	14.92±	21.53±	d		15.89±	10.20±	9.85±	15.20±	de	1						
	0.379327	0.102089	0.433667	0.648811	16.45	0.02	0.123648	0.258371	0.247117	0.08165	11.53							
Yammanei	21.22±	18.8±	14.67±	10.48±	е	0.05	12.36±	10.70±	8.09±	4.86±	de	1.85						
	0.089938	0.286744	0.173077	0.278248	16.4		0.214009	0.339935	0.143836	0.092736	11.26	l						
Madini	20.83±	18.07±	20.77±	14.17±	f		15.75±	13.82±	17.78±	7.42±	ef	1						
	0.34322	0.037712	0.374789	0.369955	16.29		0.087305	0.302692	0.044969	0.073485	10.34	1						
Nagrani	19.82±	14.68±	21.68±	9.6±	g		11.08±	9.45±	10.43±	5.06±	f	1						
	0.396569	0.090921	0.365361	0.083799	16.15		0.08165	0.061644	0.008165	0.132749	9.01	1						
Seds 12	20.40±	17.30±	18.83±	10.15±	h		18.07±	16.01±	17.33±	11.01±	f	1						
	0.357802	0.137356	0.206074	0.365908	16.13		0.03559	0.012472	0.24931	0.012472	8.98	1						
Mean	18.68	18.23	16.36	13.27			13.33	12.96	12.60	9.269		1						
	a	ab	b	С			а	а	а	b		l						
LSD			2.01						1.23			ł						
0.05												1						

 Table (3): Effect of magnetic treatments on plant performance (Shoot length and Root length) in different wheat grain cultivars after 21 days from grains treatment.

C1	plant performance												
Shoot	t length / Ro	ot length					Seedling lengt	th (cm)					
MF	Un expos	ure MF	ı	0.10	Exposu	re MF	Un expos	sure MF	ı	(
Тар	Magnetic	Тар	n n	SI .05	Magnetic	Тар	Magnetic	Тар	Meá n	0.0			
water	water	water	~	ΠO	water	water	water	water	~				
1.42±	1.56±	1.29±	а		33.28±	25.83±	29.24±	22.48±	а				
.020548	0.012472	0.04899	1.87		0.19754	0.065997	0.08165	0.040277	32.28				
1.26±	1.46±	1.66±	а		18.56±	26.26±	32.056±	34.84±	а				
.024495	0.024495	0.008165	1.83		0.138884	0.041899	0.015755	0.026247	32.15				
1.36±	1.28±	2.24±	а		32.02±	32.94±	28.83±	14.487±	ab				
.024495	0.012472	0.029439	1.75		0.043205	0.109646	0.053541	0.005907	31.31				
1.21±	1.25±	0.73±	b		29.8±	37.56±	36.28±	21.58±	abc				
.016997	0.024495	0.028674	1.45		0.331696	0.161314	0.115854	0.2585	28.92				
0.889±	1.51±	1.42±	bc		34.89±	19.27±	24.77±	36.73±	abc	4.63			
.004497	0.020548	0.026247	1.43	0.18	0.086023	0.030912	0.024944	0.179877	27.91				
1.76±	1.83±	2.16±	bc		33.58±	29.5±	22.67±	15.34±	abc				
.024495	0.020548	0.088066	1.40		0.073182	0.08165	0.012472	0.462265	27.71				
1.31±	1.17±	1.91±	с		36.58±	31.89±	38.55±	21.59±	bc				
.012472	0.01633	0.020548	1.26		0.326633	0.179134	0.161107	0.100333	27.07				
1.55±	2.08±	1.897±	d		30.9±	24.13±	32.11±	14.66±	с				
.016997	0.043205	0.003091	1.06		0.014142	0.061283	0.063421	0.12083	25.45				
1.081±	1.09±	0.922±	d		38.47±	33.31±	36.16±	21.16±	с				
.003742	0.041737	0.012037	1.05		0.30576	0.127105	0.258242	0.258242	25.27				
1.47	1.45	1.32			32.01	31.19	28.97	22.54					
ab	b	с			а	а	а	b					
	0.12						3.08						
	WF Tap water 1.42± 1.42± 020548 1.26± 024495 1.36± 024495 1.21± 016997 0.0889± 004497 1.76± 024495 1.31± 012472 1.55± 016997 1.081± 003742 1.47 ab	Albert of the state o	$\begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c $	Shore rengin / Root rengin / Root rengin / Root rengin / Root rengin MF Un exposure MF $\overline{\Sigma}$	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	MF Un exposure MF $\exists z =$ $\Box S =$	Show length / Now length Early bill Early bill <thearly bill<="" th=""> Early bill</thearly>	Subort Feight / Robit Feight Secting Feight MF Un exposure MF S E C S E S E Magnetic Un exposure M Un exposure M Un exposure M Un exposure M Un expos water water water a 33.28± 25.83± 29.24± 020548 0.012472 0.004899 1.87 0.19754 0.065997 0.085165 1.83 024495 0.012472 0.029439 1.75 1.36± 1.28± 2.24± a 0.138884 0.041899 0.015755 1.36± 1.51± 1.42± bc 0.331696 0.161314 0.115854 0.889± 1.51± 1.42± bc 0.331696 0.161314 0.115854 0.84495 0.020548 0.026247 1.43 3.58± 29.5± 22.67± 0.24495 0.020548 0.020548 1.266 0.073182 0.08165 0.012472 0.12472	Securing regin / Root rengin MF Un exposure MF \overline{S} <	Shore Height / Root Height MF Un exposure MF \overline{S} <th< th=""></th<>			

 Table (4): Effect of magnetic treatments on plant performance (Shoot length / Root length & seedling length) in different wheat grain cultivars after 21 days from grains treatment

The data reported in Tables (5.6) reveal that the treatment with magnetic water significantly increased the seedling fresh and dry weight and relative water content percentage in these wheat cultivars (Giza168, Tabouki, Kaseemi, Yamanei, Madini, Nagrani and Seds) when magnetic grain treatment and magnetically treated water were jointly applied as compared to control treatments. While Sakha93 cultivar observed negative stimulating for magnetic field and magnetic water treatments therefore recorded decreased significant in seedling fresh and dry weight and relative water content percentage compared with control treatment. The interactive effect of grain and water magnetic treatments, reveal significant interaction where the highest seedling fresh and dry weight and water content were obtained from those resulted from magnetically treated grains grown in magnetized water. Relative water content percentages at 21 days have shown a significant increase in response to exposure to magnetic field and irrigation with magnetic water. This increment may be attributed to increasing ions mobility and ions uptake improved under magnetic treatments which

leads to a better water content stimulation in positive stimulate wheat cultivars Moreover, magnetic field has the ability to change water properties. The above results mentioned to the better role of irrigation with magnetize water on seedling growth, whereas in general the magnetic grain and water treatment surpassed the control treatment. These results coincide with those of Fl'orez et al. (2007) who reported that maize seedling treated with magnetic field were significantly heavier than the control, Souza et al (2005) indicated that the pre sowing magnetic treatment of tomato seeds, that led to significant increase in seedling root and stem fresh weight. Abou El-Yazied et al. (2011) who mentioned that in the nursery experiment, applying the optimal magnetic tomato seeds treatment (0.1 T for 15 min) and/or irrigation with magnetized water gave significant increases in transplant stem length, stem diameter, leaf area and fresh and dry weight than those in the control treatment which grew by untreated seeds and irrigated by ordinary (untreated water) water.

Table (5): Effect of magnetic treatments on seedling fresh and dry weight in different wheat grain	
cultivars after 21 days from grain treatment	

Treatments					Seedli	ing fresh a	nd dry weight	(gm)				
		S	eedling fresh v	veight			Seedling dry weight					
	Exposu	ire MF	Un expo	sure MF			Exposure MF		Un expo	sure MF		
Cultivars	Magnetic	Тар	Magnetic	Тар	Me an	LS D 0.0	Magnetic	Тар	Magnetic	Тар	an	D D D 0.0
	water	water	water	water	_		water	water	water	water	_	
Giza168	0.723±	0.5617±	0.6257±	0.487±	а		0.0423±	0.0303±	0.0317±	0.0223±	а	
	0.029691	0.011878	0.028912	0.039064	0.67		0.009631	0.001349	0.003027	0.001347	0.04	
Sakha 93	0.231±	0.385±	0.5017±	0.7127±	ab		0.0213±	0.0313±	0.0417±	0.054±	а	
	0.01271	0.035462	0.032605	0.03045	0.63		0.001271	0.001271	0.003027	0.003682	0.04	
Tabouki	0.6223±	0.6707±	0.5073±	0.1953±	abc		0.0417±	0.0401±	0.0315±	0.0157±	ab	
	0.015976	0.038688	0.044577	0.045331	0.61		0.003126	0.001702	0.002123	0.003197	0.04	
Kaseemi	0.4853±	0.7217±	0.6497±	0.2183±	abc		0.0317±	0.0557±	0.0550±	0.0221±	abc	
	0.043799	0.01635	0.029303	0.020655	0.59	0.11	0.00297	0.003197	0.002944	0.003023	0.04	0.01
Masr 1	0.7233±	0.5047±	0.667±	0.7853±	abc		0.0541±	0.0221±	0.0253±	0.0551±	abcd	
	0.020428	0.046073	0.033905	0.043514	0.59		0.003679	0.008552	0.015698	0.002642	0.04	
Yammanei	0.7553±	0.687±	0.547±	0.4297±	bcd		0.0423±	0.0317±	0.0223±	0.0185±	bcd	
	0.02284	0.039064	0.030576	0.038337	0.52		0.001382	0.001855	0.001837	0.003472	0.03	
Madini	0.6533±	0.6013±	0.7253±	0.5183±	cd		0.0550	0.0413	0.0577	0.0221	cd	
	0.022113	0.018557	0.021234	0.034728	0.49		0.004288	0.002393	0.00641	0.005504	0.032	
Nagrani	0.6137±	0.4587±	0.6806±	0.229±	cd		0.0320	0.0253	0.0417	0.0173	d	
	0.012684	0.035531	0.033946	0.038404	0.49		0.007608	0.014143	0.004036	0.003681	0.0290	
Seds 12	0.7963±	0.6497±	0.711±	0.2383±	d		0.0567±	0.0423±	0.0551±	0.0220±	d	
	0.060943	0.038396	0.021453	0.033918	0.46		0.010748	0.001452	0.002082	0.00132	0.03	
Mean	0.62	0.62	0.58	0.42			0.042	0.044	0.04	0.028		
	а	а	а	b			а	ab	b	с		
LSD		•	0.08	•	•		0.01					1
0.05												

 Table (6): Effect of magnetic treatments on % of relative water content in different wheat grain cultivars after 21 days from grains treatment

Treatments	Relative water content %												
Cultivars	Exposure +Dipping MW	Exposure +Dipping TW	No exposure + Dipping MW	No exposure + Dipping TW	n M	JSC							
Giza168	94.15±	94.61±	94.93±	95.42±	а								
	0.532812	0.325611	0.537463	0.148997	95.35								
Sakha 93	90.78±	91.89±	91.69±	92.42±	ab 94.78								
	0.147045	0.155134	0.176824	0.975329									
Taboky	93.29±	94.02±	93.79±	91.96±	bc 94.33								
	0.577485	1.829432	0.975329	0.176824									
Kassem	93.47±	92.28±	91.54±	89.88±	cd 93.89								
	1.414269	0.975329	0.176824	1.122567									
Masr 1	92.52±	95.62±	96.21±	92.98±	d								
	0.583229	1.230239	0.648194	0.671764	93.27	_							
Yammany	94.39±	95.39±	95.92±	95.69±	de 93.12	0.8							
	0.975329	0.671764	0.862915	0.842312		7							
Madany	91.58±	93.13±	92.04±	95.74±	ef 92.35								
	0.47204	0.84626	0.763428	0.990252									
Nagrani	94.79±	94.48±	93.87±	92.45±	f								
	0.519123	0.546036	0.501487	0.910641	91.79								
Sods 12	92.88±	93.49±	92.25±	90.77±	f								
	0.789472	0.476725	0.869572	0.47204	91.69								
Mean	93.88 a	93.58 ab	93.09 b	93.03 b		1							
LSD		•	0.58	•	•	1							
0.05													

Table	(7):	Effect	of	magnetic	treatments	on	number	of	protein	bands	in	different	wheat	grain
cultiva	ırs af	ter 21 o	lay	s from gra	ins treatmer	nt.								

Treatments		Number of p	rotein bands	
	Exposure +Dipping MW	Exposure +Dipping TW	No exposure + Dipping	No exposure + Dipping
Cultivars			MW	TW
Giza168	20	12	14	8
Sakha 93	9	10	14	17
Taboky	14	13	14	5
Kassem	19	7	15	5
Masr 1	15	6	15	15
Yammany	12	12	6	9
Madany	13	12	15	8
Nagrani	15	10	12	8
Sods 12	12	8	16	8



Fig (2): Sodium dodcyle sulphate- polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE) For treated and un treated nine cultivars of wheat seedling cultivars with magnetic field.

(A). Exposed to magnetic field + Dipping in magnetic water.

(B). Exposed to magnetic field + Dipping in tap water.

(C). No Exposed to magnetic field + Dipping in magnetic water.

(D). No Exposed to magnetic field + Dipping in tap water.

Lanes 1-9 (Different wheat cultivars seedling)

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Lane M = SDS-Marker.
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L1: Giza168, L2: Sakha 93, L3: Tabouki, L4: Kaseemi, L5: Masr1, L6: Yamanei, L7: Madini, L8: Nagrani and L9: Seds 12.

The changes in protein electrophoretic pattern of wheat seedlings treated with magnetic field and water are analyzed and recorded in Table (7) and illustrated in (Figure 2). In the control seedling cultivars (Giza168, Tabouki, Kaseemi, Yamanei, Madini, Nagrani and Seds), the separation of 8, 5, 5, 9, 8, 8, 8 protein bands (PBs) were appeared respectively, while, Sakha93 cv recorded 17 PBs and Masr1 recorded 15 PBs their molecular weights ranged between 78 K Da. and 10 K Da. Magnetic field and water treatments of wheat seedling cultivars (Giza168, Tabouki, Kaseemi, Yamanei, Madini, Nagrani and Seds12) showed an increase in the number of protein bands to 20, 14, 19, 12, 13, 15, 12 PBs were appeared respectively, while, Sakha93 cv recorded 9 PBs and Masr1 recorded 15 PBs their molecular weights ranged between 85 K Da. and 9 K respectively. Therefore, wheat cultivars Da. (Giza168, Tabouki, Kaseemi, Yamanei, Madini, Nagrani and Seds12) gave height increase in protein bands number when grain exposed to magnetic field and irrigated by magnetic water and gave high stimulation rate of novel protein bands forms compared to control treatments. While Sakha93 cultivar observed negative stimulating for magnetic field and magnetic water treatments. On the other

hand, the magnetic treatments don't effects on number of protein bands for Masr1cv, than those of the control treatment. These results indicate that the wheat seedling treated with magnetic field and water characterized by disappearance of certain bands and the appearance of new ones as compared with that of the control plant. Similar result was noticed by Hozavn et al. (2010) who found that the magnetic water treatment of other wheat cultivars showed an increase in the number of protein bands to 16 bands and the formation of new protein bands in wheat plants treated with magnetic water was accompanied with increasing growth parameters and total indole acetic acid in treated plants. Shabrangi and Majd (2009) reported that magnetic field is known as an environmental factor which affects on gene expression, therefore, by augmentation of biological reactions like protein synthesis. Balouchi et al. (2007) confirmed that MF influences the structures of cell membrane, and increases their permeability and ion transport, which then affects some metabolic pathways. Moon and chunge (2000) reported that magnetic field treatments influencing the biochemical processes involve free radicals by stimulating the activity of proteins and enzymes. On the other hand, Hanafy et al., (2006) indicated that the data indicated that the molecular structure of the extracted WSP changed the amount of protein in the bands of exposed grains decreased and their molecular weights changed.

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