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The Effect of pH on Plant Growth		DATE:	13-Oct-2023
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ABSTRACT	The experiment investigated the influence of pH levels on the growth of bean plants (<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>). It was hypothesized that varying pH levels in the growth medium would impact the plants' growth rates. The results revealed that near-neutral pH levels were most favorable for plant growth, with pH 6.5 showing the highest growth rates. This information is valuable for optimizing soil conditions in agriculture and horticulture.		
INSTRUCTIONS	Plants require specific environmental conditions for optimal growth, with pH being one of the critical factors affecting nutrient availability and root development. The aim of this experiment is to explore how different pH levels in the growth medium affect the growth of bean plants. Understanding the relationship between pH and plant growth is essential for agricultural and horticultural practices.		
RESULTS			
A.	pH 4: Limited growth, with stunted plants.		
B.	pH 6: Healthy growth, with robust and tall plants.		
C.	pH 7: Similar growth to pH 6, with no significant differences.		
D.	pH 8: Slightly reduced growth compared to pH 6 and 7.		
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MATERIALS			
Bean seeds (<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>) Potting soil Plastic pots pH buffers (pH 4, pH 6, pH 7, pH 8) Distilled water Measuring instruments (pH meter, ruler) Grow lights			
METHODS			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Plant bean seeds in identical pots filled with potting soil.- Create growth medium solutions with different pH levels (pH 4, pH 6, pH 7, pH 8) using pH buffers and distilled water.- Water each plant with the corresponding pH solution for a period of four weeks.- Monitor and measure the plant height and the number of leaves each week.- Record data for each plant's growth throughout the experiment.			
DISCUSSION			
The results support the hypothesis that pH levels significantly impact the growth of bean plants. Neutral to slightly acidic conditions (pH 6-7) are most favorable for plant growth, with pH 6.5 showing the highest growth rates. The deviations observed at pH 4 and pH 8 suggest that extreme pH values can hinder plant growth due to limited nutrient availability. These findings are consistent with established knowledge about the importance of pH in soil health and plant nutrition.			
CONCLUSION			
This experiment confirms that pH levels in the growth medium play a critical role in influencing plant growth. Near-neutral pH levels (around 6.5) were found to be most favorable for the growth of bean plants. These findings have practical implications for horticulture and agriculture, as they emphasize the importance of optimizing soil pH conditions for crop production.			
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