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## **LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS**

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| CdCl <sub>2</sub> | Cadmium chloride                             |
| µM                | micro molar                                  |
| mg                | milligram                                    |
| µg                | micro gram                                   |
| g                 | gram   |
| NaOH              | Sodium hidroxide                             |
| HCl               | Hidrochloric acid                            |
| ICPMS             | Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometer |
| Cd                | Cadmium                                      |
| Pc                | Phytochelatin                                |
| °C                | degree Celsius                               |
| rpm               | rotate per minutes                           |
| µL                | micro liter                                  |
| BSO               | Bovine Serum Albumin                         |
| ±                 | Plus minus                                   |

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## **ABSTRACT**

The use of plants to clean and minimized the accumulation of heavy metals in contaminated site has generated much interest of researchers. In this study, the ability of Cadmium (Cd) in *Cryptocoryne elliptica* was investigated and also the soluble protein content. In vitro plantlets of *Cryptocoryne elliptica* were exposure with 200 $\mu$ M cadmium for 30 days. The cadmium uptake was measured by using Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometer (ICPMS) in every 5 days. Cadmium accumulation generally increases with increasing of exposure periods. Roots content the highest amount of cadmium compared to leaves and petioles which was 1.24-folds and 1.73-folds respectively. Roots was the highest part in soluble protein content which was 1.07-folds and 1.10-folds compared to leaves and petioles. Cadmium found to increase the soluble protein content in plantlets especially in roots.

## **Kesan logam kadmium (Cd) di atas kultur *Cryptocoryne elliptica* in vitro**

### **Abstrak**

Penggunaan tumbuhan untuk membersihkan dan mengurangkan pengumpulan logam berat di dalam kwasan yang tercemar telah mencetuskan banyak minat dikalangan penyelidik. Kajian ini telah mengenalpasti kebolehan penggumpulan logam kadmium (Cd) dan juga kandungan protein ke atas kultur *Cryptocoryne elliptica*. Plantlet *Cryptocoryne elliptica* in vitro telah didedahkan dengan  $200\mu\text{M}$  kadmium selama 30 hari. Pengambilan kadmium telah diukur menggunakan mesin Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometer (ICPMS) setiap 5 hari. Secara umumnya, pengumpulan kadmium adalah meningkat dengan meningkatnya tempoh pendedahan kultur. Akar mengandungi kadar kadmium tertinggi berbanding daun dan petiol di mana 1.24 lipat ganda dan 1.73 lipat ganda masing-masingnya. Akar merupakan bahagian yang mengandungi kandungan protein iaitu 1.07 lipat ganda dan 1.10 lipat ganda berbanding daun dan petiol. Kadmium telah ditemui meningkatkan kandungan protein di dalam plantlet terutama di dalam akar.