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- Precision crop production
- Decision support systems and models in digital agriculture
- Digital technologies in agriculture
- Digital agroeconomic and marketing
- Agronomist education in digital agriculture

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- Discuss the opportunities and challenges for small farmers in the transformation toward digital agriculture
- Connecting the stakeholders in the digitalization of agriculture at local and regional levels

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EVALUATION OF HEMP SEEDLING SIZE USING IMAGEJ SOFTWARE

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Abstract

In vitro hemp seed germination is crucial for investigating factors impacting production conditions. It is laborious and time-consuming to measure and evaluate the morphological traits of seedlings grown in vitro. One of the most well-known machine vision techniques is image processing, which offers detailed information and more reliability and accuracy than traditional counting and visual determination of seedlings.

The study aimed to determine if hypocotyl images obtained with semi-automatic processing through SmartRoot could be replaced with faster, automatic processing.

Seedlings were scanned in RGB color profile in 300 dpi, using an open lid flatbed scanner HP Scanjet G4050. The images were processed in ImageJ software. The steps in image processing are shown in figure 1.



Figure 1: Steps from original (scanned) images to hemp hypocotyl images used for comparation.

One scanned image was used to create ARFF segmentation data from Weka Segmentation training. The images in step 8 obtained with SmartRoot were compared with images in step 7 using cross-correlation with Fast Fourier transform (figure 2).



Figure 2: Function map and 3D surface plot of cross-correlation

The average cross-correlation coefficient between hypocotyl images was 0.86. The average diameter and length with the automatic process were 0.108 and 0.745, respectively, and with SmartRoot 0.104 and 0.759, respectively. Using a t-test it was concluded that the average length and diameter obtained with the two methods didn't show a statistically significant difference. Comparing length and diameter acquired from the two methods showed a correlation of 0.91 and 0.98, respectively. Results showed that hypocotyl images obtained with the automatic process can replace the ones with the SmartRoot process. Macro in ImageJ could be recorded, and images could be batch processed, reducing time for analysis.

Keywords: Image processing, SmartRoot, hypocotyl, length, diameter

