Studies on the usage and development of genetic resources of native Taiwan lilies¹

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summary

Interspecific hybridization had been done between liles to combine both characteristics. Lilium formosanum Wall. and L. longiflorum Thunb., native in Taiwan, were used as mother plants, and 12 Asiatic as well as 2 Oriental hybrids were used as pollen plants. To overcome pre-fertilization barriers, cut style pollination was applied in L. longiflorum. The enlargement of pollinated ovary can be used to determine crossing compatibility. Fifty nine flowers of L. formosanum were pollinated, but only 22 ovaries increased the size and developed into fruits. On the other hand, 260 flowers of L. longiflorum had beed pollinated, but only 4 ovaries enlarged. This implies that L. formosanum has better crossing compatibility than L. longiflorum. One fruit of L. formosanum \times Dreamland (Asiatic) got 332 seeds with embryos, and 100% of those seeds germinated under 18 incubator; however, all of the other fruits are non-embryo seeds. Embryo abortion or degeneration might take place during seed growing, thus caused postfertilization barriers, and got seeds without embryos. To rescue abortive embryos, fruits were harvested 40-43 days after pollination, and the ovules placed on MS(1962) medium supplemented with NAA(0.01mg/l), sucrose (3%), and bacto-agar (0.8%) at pH 5.5. OVules germinated by producing a real seedling, or regenerated adventitious shoots via callus formation, or via embryogenesis. Two combinations, L. formosanum \times Avignon and L. Longiflorum \times San Farcisco, were successfully got hybrid progenies by this method.

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