THE INFLUENCE OF SUBSTRATUM OVER THE PRODUCTIVITY AND QUALITY OF DIANTHUS CARYOPHYLLUS CHABAUD

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Abstract

In Romania the flowers are popular and appreciated by buyers, that is why in the Greenhouse Complex of Sintandrei, Bihor, in 2012-2014 were made experiments which can prove the positive effect of substratum over the productivity, quality and growth of plants.

The Dianthus Caryophyllus Chabaud species were used in the experiment with big red flowers, hartshaped, bright – green leaves (7-12 cm/0.5 – 1 cm), with long stems (Georget P. 1999).

The beauty of flowers, the fact that they can be hold a long time in water, the high productivity make’s Dianthus a very beloved greenhouse plant. Analysing European producers and buyers opinion the Dianthus is on the 6th place, after carnations, roses, tulips, chrysanthemums and gerberas. (Selaru E. 2004)

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INTRODUCTION

The genus includes about 270 annual, biennial and perennial species. Among the perennial species, the best known is D. caryophyllus, semperflorens variety, cultivated as an annual or biennial, including several types: greenhouse Carnation, summer Carnation (Chabaud), Vienna carnation. Summer Carnation is a plant that grows as a shrub with strongly scented flowers, small lanceolate leaves and it multiplies by seed. (Selaru E., 2004)

THE MATERIAL AND WORK METHOD

The experiment contains three versions:

V1 – culture on substratum: 15% peat, 40% wood soil, 15% sphagnum moss, 15% perlit, 15% sheep manure
V2 – culture on substratum: 30% peat, 30% wood soil, 20% sphagnum moss, 10% perlit, 10% sheep manure
V3 – cultura on substratum: 20% peat, 20% wood soil 20% sphagnum moss, 20% perlit, 20% sheep manure

The thickness of culture substratum was 40 cm placed down warmed barriers.

Every version had 2 barriers of 60 mp each one, accordingly 120 mp.
The substratum was fertilized the same way for each version. During the experiment the pH was maintained between 4.5 – 5.6. The plants were planted in august assuring a density of 7 plants/mp on a barrier. (Lammene E. 2000).

During the experiment there were made 40 fertilizations with a complex fertilizer with a concentration of 0.1 – 0.3% (Zahana D. 1994).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

According to table 1 the results were: 100.2 flowers /mp at version 1 (substratum formed by 15% peat, 40% wood soil, 15% sphagnum moss, 15% perlit, 15% sheep manur) 110.2 flowers / mp at version 2 (substratum formed by 30% peat 30% wood soil, 20% sphagnum moss 10% perlit and 10% sheep manur), 115.3 flowers/mp at version 3 (substratum formed by 20% peat, 20% wood soil, 20% sphagnum moss and 20% perlit,20% sheep manure).

Table 1

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<td>V2–30% peat, 30% wood soil, 20% sphagnum moss, 20% perlit and 20% sheep manur</td>
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<td>V3 – 20% peat, 20% wood soil, 20% sphagnum moss and 20% perlit</td>
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That can be seen the rise in production, on relative aspect, with 10% on V2 and with 15% on V3 as the V1 variant.

On the qualitative aspect, the production of Dianthus caryophyllus Chabaud is positively influenced by the growing substratum.
Table 2

The production quality of Dianthus caryophyllus Chabaud influenced by the growing substratum

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At version 1 (substratum formed by 15% peat, 40% wood soil, 15% sphagnum moss, 15% perlit, 15% sheep manure), 84% of flowers were of excellent quality, at version 2 (substratum formed by 30% peat, 30% wood soil, 20% Sphagnum moss, 10% perlit and 10% sheep manur), 93% of flowers were of excellent quality, at version 3,100 % of flowers were of excellent quality.

Making an economic analyzing of the 3 version the best substratum was formed by 20% peat, 20% wood soil, 20% Sphagnum moss and 20% perlit.,20% sheep manure. Because of the high quality of flowers and high productivity, the value of the production was 2,1,26 million lei/ha (version 2). The price of the flowers depends of the cutting period.

The value of the flowers was 1,27 million lei/ha (version 3). The price of the flowers depended of the cutting period.

Analising the experiences, the cost of electric energy and indirectly expences are 20% of all expences level.

Table 3

Productivity, expense and profit

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<td>802000</td>
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<td>1267000</td>
<td>902000</td>
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<td>1279500</td>
<td>953000</td>
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The profit at version 3 was higher with 616500 lei/ha as at version 2 and with 529500 lei/ha as at version 1and with 340000 lei/ha.
CONCLUSIONS

- Growing Dianthus caryophyllus Chabaud in greenhouse is a good source of money.
- Version 2 and 3 had a high productivity because of the higher percent of peat and the perlite 30% higher at version 2 (substratum formed by 30% peat, 30% wood soil, 20% sphagnum moss, 10% perlite and 10% sheep manure), and with 16% higher at version 3 (substratum formed by 20% peat 20% wood soil, 20% sphagnum moss and 20% perlite,20% sheep manure) as at version 1 (substratum formed by 15% peat, 40% wood soil, 15% sphagnum moss, 15% perlite,15% sheep manure.
- The substratum with peat and perlite kept the water and thermic energy inside
- The cost for obtaining the peat – perlite substratum were recovered by the profit

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