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Introduction Hazelnut distributed mainly in North and Northeast China. Hazelnut has an abundance of nutrition, and it is one of the famous dry fruit. Leaf can be fed to animals. Hazelnut has ecological function and city landscape function. The propagation of Hazelnut mainly depended on seeds, but propagation coefficient was low. Asexual Propagation Technique of Hazelnut are tissue culture and cutting reproduction, and propagation coefficient was also low. The objective of this paper was to improve propagation coefficient, using root turion propagation methods.

Materials and methods The root turion (0.5~2cm) was selected, and cut into segments. Using Carbendazim (1/1000, 50%) soaked, and immersion time was 2mins. Each 20 segments were repeated 4 times. The specific methods are as followed (Table 1).

Table 1 Different treat methods of wild hazelnut.

Treat No.	substrate type		length of root turion(cm)
	Thickness of upper : 5cm	Thickness of sublayer : 10cm	
1	fine river sand	vegetable soil	3-4
2	vegetable soil	vegetable soil	3-4
3	fine river sand	fine river sand	3-4
4	fine river sand	fine river sand	1
5	fine river sand	fine river sand	2
6	fine river sand	fine river sand	3
7	fine river sand	fine river sand	4
8	fine river sand	fine river sand	5

Table 2 The experiment result of wild hazelnut.

Treat No.	Total No.	1	2	3	4	Rate of seedling(%) [*]
1	20*4	10	10	9	8	46.25 ^b
2	20*4	2	1	3	3	11.25 ^c
3	20*4	17	19	16	17	86.25 ^a
4	20*4	7	8	7	8	37.5 ^c
5	20*4	14	13	15	14	70.0 ^b
6	20*4	17	18	16	17	85.0 ^a
7	20*4	18	16	17	18	87.5 ^a
8	20*4	18	16	17	18	86.25 ^a

^{*} Effects of periods on all variables were significant (p<0.05)

Results The test lasted about 20 days, and began to do measurement and The main results are showed in Table 2. The Table 2 has shown that the rate of seedling was great impacted because of different seedbed. The rate of seedling was the highest (86.25%) on fine river sand, and there was significant difference from other treats. The rate of seedling was higher and reached 85%, when the length root turion was above 3cm.

Conclusion The best root turion length was 4cm and the best seedbed was fine river sand, which could improve the rate of seedling reached 85%-87.5%.

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