

Table 1. The effect of cadmium stress on the growth of ginger

| Treatment days | Cd levels (mg/kg) | Plant height (cm) | Stem diameter (cm) | Shoot number | Leaf number | Root FW (g) | Stem FW (g) | Leaf FW (g) | Rhizome FW (g) |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 40 | 0 | 49.5±2.3a | 1.2±0.0a | 3.3±0.6a | 53.7±0.6a | 18.2±3.0a | 61.1±2.0a | 33.2±1.4a | 72.1±5.1a |
| | 1 | 49.5±1.5a | 1.2±0.1a | 3.3±0.6a | 52.0±1ab | 13.7±3.0a | 62.4±0.8a | 33.8±0.6a | 71.7±2.7a |
| | 2 | 45.8±2.8a | 1.0±0.0b | 2.7±0.6a | 49.3±1.5b | 12.1±5.7a | 50.7±1.9b | 33.4±1.6a | 72.2±5.0a |
| | 4 | 44.7±1.5a | 1.0±0.1b | 2.3±0.6a | 46.0±2.9c | 12.1±5.7a | 44.3±1.2c | 32.2±2.8a | 70.5±5.0a |
| 80 | 0 | 61.7±3.1a | 1.3±0.2a | 5.7±0.6a | 63.7±0.6a | 32.2±2.0a | 79.8±1.7a | 44.8±3.0a | 96.8±1.2a |
| | 1 | 60.6±0.8a | 1.3±0.1ab | 4.7±0.6ab | 61.3±0.6b | 30.7±7.1a | 75.1±0.9b | 43.7±1.4ab | 93.7±6.6ab |
| | 2 | 54.5±1.3b | 1.2±0.1bc | 3.7±0.6b | 56.7±1.2c | 28.2±0.6ab | 54.7±0.5c | 40.1±1.1bc | 88.4±0.6bc |
| | 4 | 48.5±0.9c | 1.0±0.1c | 3.3±0.6b | 54.7±1.2d | 22.6±0.1b | 48.4±1.2d | 37.3±1.3c | 85.3±1.9c |
| 120 | 0 | 66.2±3.9a | 1.4±0.1a | 8.3±0.6a | 76.3±1.5a | 42.2±1.9a | 123.0±5.5a | 59.8±4.8a | 155.8±1.9a |
| | 1 | 63.2±3.5a | 1.3±0ab | 7.7±0.6ab | 70.0±5.2b | 40.7±2.2ab | 115.2±2.9b | 55.8±0.6ab | 149.1±4.1ab |
| | 2 | 58.2±2.6b | 1.2±0bc | 7.0±1.0bc | 61.7±0.6c | 34.2±2.1bc | 82.2±0.5c | 49.8±4.0b | 141.6±3.9bc |
| | 4 | 49.2±0.8c | 1.1±0.1c | 6.7±0.6c | 55.7±0.6d | 29.4±2.7c | 70.7±0.8d | 41.4±1.4c | 134.9±6.5c |

Note: Under the same column, values followed with the same letter was not significant at $P = 0.05$

Table 2. The effect of cadmium stress on the quality of ginger rhizome

| Cd (mg/kg) | Yield (g/plant) | Dry matter (%) | Soluble sugar (%) | Crude cellulose (mg/g) | Soluble protein (mg/g) | Free amino acid (mg/g) | Vitamin C (%) | Gingerol (%) |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 0 | 155.80a | 17.14a | 0.75a | 0.39a | 2.96a | 0.52a | 2.78a | 0.58a |
| 1 | 149.10ab | 16.40ab | 0.64b | 0.38a | 2.78b | 0.44b | 2.71a | 0.51b |
| 2 | 141.60bc | 15.80bc | 0.53c | 0.27b | 2.37c | 0.28c | 2.67b | 0.40c |
| 4 | 134.93c | 14.84c | 0.52c | 0.21c | 2.23d | 0.27c | 2.46c | 0.36d |

Note: Under the same column, values followed with the same letter was not significant at $P = 0.05$

Table 3. The effect of silicon on ginger growth under cadmium stress

| Treatment days | Si (g/kg) | Plant height (cm) | Stem diameter (cm) | Shoot number | Leaf number | Root FW (g) | Stem FW (g) | Leaf FW (g) | Rhizome FW (g) |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| | 0 | 44.7±2.8a | 1.0±0.0c | 2.7±0.6a | 49.3±1.5a | 13.7±1.0a | 50.7±1.9b | 33.8±1.6a | 72.2±5.0a |
| 40 | 1 | 46.2±0.8a | 1.2±0.0b | 2.7±0.6a | 50.7±1.5a | 14.0±1.7a | 52.2±1.9a _b | 34.2±1.4a | 71.9±5.1a |
| | 2 | 47.2±1.0a | 1.3±0.0a | 3.0±0.0a | 51.7±0.6a | 16.5±1.8a | 55.5±1.0a | 36.1±0.6a | 72.9±2.7a |
| | 0 | 50.4±1.4b | 1.2±0.1b | 3.7±0.6b | 56.7±1.2c | 28.2±2.0a | 54.7±0.5c | 40.1±1.1c | 88.4±0.6c |
| 80 | 1 | 58.7±0.3a | 1.3±0ab | 4.0±0.0b | 58.7±0.6b | 28.7±2.1a | 57.1±1.0b | 41.8±0.3b | 99.0±1.3b |
| | 2 | 60.8±0.6a | 1.3±0.1a | 5.0±0.0a | 60.9±0.6a | 30.8±1.8a | 63.8±1.7a | 43.1±0.8a | 102.2±1.1a |
| | 0 | 54.7±0.8b | 1.2±0.1b | 7.0±1.0a | 60.7±1.2c | 34.2±2.1b | 82.2±0.5c | 50.0±1.0c | 137.6±3.9c |
| 120 | 1 | 65.0±1.7a | 1.3±0.0ab | 6.7±0.6a | 63.7±0.6b | 37.8±1.9a _b | 97.2±1.1b | 53.3±0.6b | 157.3±1.9b |
| | 2 | 68.2±0.8a | 1.4±0.0a | 8.0±0.0a | 67.7±2.1a | 40.8±1.2a | 115.1±5.5 _a | 58.2±0.3a | 164.4±0.3a |

Note: Under the same column, values followed with the same letter was not significant at $P = 0.05$

Table 4. The effect of silicon on the quality of ginger rhizome under cadmium stress

| Si (g/kg) | Yield (g/plant) | Dry matter (%) | Soluble sugar (%) | Crude cellulose (mg/g) | Soluble protein (mg/g) | Free amino acid (mg/g) | Vitamin C (%) | Gingerol (%) |
|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 0 | 137.60c | 15.80b | 0.56c | 0.28b | 2.42c | 0.30c | 2.64b | 0.38c |
| 1 | 157.30b | 16.42ab | 0.66b | 0.36a | 2.87b | 0.41b | 2.65b | 0.52b |
| 2 | 164.37a | 16.84a | 0.73a | 0.38a | 2.97a | 0.50a | 2.71a | 0.62a |

Note: Under the same column, values followed with the same letter was not significant at $P = 0.05$

Table 5. The effect of silicon on Cd content in different organ of ginger under Cd stress

| Treatment days | Si (g/kg) | Cd content ($\mu\text{g/g}$) | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----------|--------------------------------|---------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| | | Root | Mother-ginger | Son-ginger | Grandson-ginger | Main branch | Primary branch | Secondary branch | Main branch leaves | Primary branch leaves | Secondary branch leaves |
| 40 | 0 | 0.496a | 0.087a | 0.056a | ** | 0.029a | 0.018a | ** | 0.029a | 0.02a | ** |
| | 1 | 0.34b | 0.05b | 0.027b | ** | 0.024b | 0.016a | ** | 0.003b | 0.002b | ** |
| | 2 | 0.283c | 0.038c | 0.02c | ** | 0.012c | 0.007b | ** | 0.001c | 0.001b | ** |
| 80 | 0 | 0.573a | 0.188a | 0.089a | 0.024a | 0.071a | 0.03a | 0.011a | 0.006a | 0.004a | 0.001a |
| | 1 | 0.446b | 0.154b | 0.056b | 0.017b | 0.068b | 0.029a | 0.01b | 0.005b | 0.004a | 0.001a |
| | 2 | 0.323c | 0.136c | 0.041c | 0.012c | 0.046c | 0.014b | 0.009c | 0.004c | 0.003a | 0.001a |
| 120 | 0 | 1.246a | 0.257a | 0.107a | 0.058a | 0.094a | 0.051a | 0.015a | 0.046a | 0.041a | 0.012a |
| | 1 | 1.025b | 0.219b | 0.095b | 0.038b | 0.089b | 0.043b | 0.013b | 0.037b | 0.036b | 0.01b |
| | 2 | 0.743c | 0.186c | 0.069c | 0.028c | 0.065c | 0.032c | 0.008c | 0.02c | 0.012c | 0.005c |

Note: Under the same column, values followed with the same letter was not significant at $P = 0.05$

Table 6. The effect of silicon on Cd accumulation in different organ of ginger under Cd stress

| | Si (g/kg) | Root | Mother- ginger | Son- ginger | Grandso n-ginger | Main branch | Primary branch | Seconda ry branch | Main branch leaves | Primary branch leaves | Second ary branch leaves |
|---|--------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Accumulation ($\mu\text{g/plant}$) | 0 | 2.986a | 0.676a | 0.704a | 0.382a | 0.116a | 0.157b | 0.046a | 0.081a | 0.179a | 0.053a |
| | 1 | 2.572b | 0.533b | 0.691a | 0.251b | 0.116a | 0.168a | 0.047a | 0.06b | 0.176a | 0.045b |
| | 2 | 2.046c | 0.393c | 0.434b | 0.234c | 0.084b | 0.124c | 0.043c | 0.03c | 0.055b | 0.032c |

Note: Under the same column, values followed with the same letter was not significant at $P = 0.05$

Table 7. The effect of silicon on cadmium absorption coefficient and transfer coefficient under Cd stress

| Si (g/kg) | Primary transfer coefficient | Secondary transfer coefficient | Root absorption coefficient | Above-ground absorption coefficient |
|----------------------|---|---|--|--|
| 0 | 0.590 | 0.359 | 0.187 | 0.040 |
| 1 | 0.573 | 0.415 | 0.161 | 0.038 |
| 2 | 0.519 | 0.347 | 0.128 | 0.023 |