

## Roshan, a new released mutant aromatic rice variety with high yield and early maturity

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**ABSTRACT:** Mutation breeding could be an efficient procedure for improvement of grain yield and quality characteristics in rice. A rice mutation breeding program was conducted at the Genetics and Agricultural Biotechnology Institute of Tabarestan (GABIT) research field during 2010-2018 using five varieties (Sang Tarom, Tarom Chaloci, Nemat, Khazar, and Sepidrood). These varieties were treated with Gama ray at 200 Gray by the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran (AEOI). The mutated plants were evaluated for the agronomic characteristics in seven generations (M2-M9). Eventually, eleven M9 pure promising lines were selected and evaluated for the agro-morphological and molecular as well as grain quality characteristics. The results showed that a line (M9-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1) derived from Nemat variety has the desired characteristics of high yield (8.23 ton/ha) and early maturity (123.67 days). Additionally, it possesses good physicochemical quality such as amylose content (AC=18.4%), gel consistency (GC=98 mm), gelatinization temperature (GT= 5.42), and aromatic scent confirming by *fgr* gene marker with 257bp length. The grain yield and quality test indicated that the line M9-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1 has 12.51% more yield compared Shirroodi and 47.97% compared Tarom Hashemi, with a comparable quality. This line was registered as the 'Roshan' variety.

**KEYWORDS:** Aroma, Improved rice variety, Mutation breeding, *Oryza sativa* L.

### INTRODUCTION

Rice is a second important crop in Iran and its cooking and eating quality plays a significant requirement for the consumers. Therefore, the introduction of high-yielding, as well as high-quality rice varieties which are early maturity, are the most important breeding objectives in

our institute (GABIT). The mutation breeding procedures are used as the alternatives to traditional and molecular breeding methods, especially where the genetic variation is limited.

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Mutation breeding can be used to improve traits such as yield, qualities, and resistance to biotic and abiotic stresses. To date, many improved varieties in different crops at the world wide have been released either with chemical or physical mutagenesis (9). Mutation breeding is one of the most important methods for development of varieties with some novel attributes such as early maturity and semi dwarf status (12). China with 638 mutant rice varieties is the first rank followed by India with 272 and Japan with 233 are the leading countries in employing mutation breeding in rice (22). Generally, a higher application of physical mutagenesis agents (89%) than chemical agents are evident. Furthermore, among the physical against, 64% related to gamma ray, 22% to the X ray and the rest belonged to the other physical agent (1, 32). Some researcher reported, application of higher doses of gamma ray (300 gry) is better for increasing tiller numbers per plant in rice varieties (10), and 200 gray is efficient for early maturity (11) and reducing plant height (29).

The three rice varieties obtained via gamma-ray of basmati rice, including Basmati 370, Pousa Basmati, and Pakistani Basmati, which having high-yield, non-loading, long panicle, with the ideal properties of grain quality are a few examples of mutant varieties (28). Some others researcher used EMS mutagenesis for reducing plant height (14) and Azide Sodium for increasing grain weight (15). Arefii and Norozi successfully used gamma ray on Tarom Mahalli, Mosa Tarom (local Variety) and Amol3 (improved Variety), and eventually released a MT- 44- 7- 7 line with 4830 (kg/ha) yield (3). Furthermore, physicochemical properties and nutritional quality of rice germplasm have been intensively investigated (17, 18, 4). Meanwhile the integration of classical and molecular methods revealed more stringent for the screening of aromatic and non-aromatic scent lines (35). Borba *et al.* reported a marker (RM190) that has a significant

association with amylose content in rice (5). The objective of this project was to improve a high yield variety that also possessed the desired physicochemical properties including aromatic scent using a mutation breeding program.

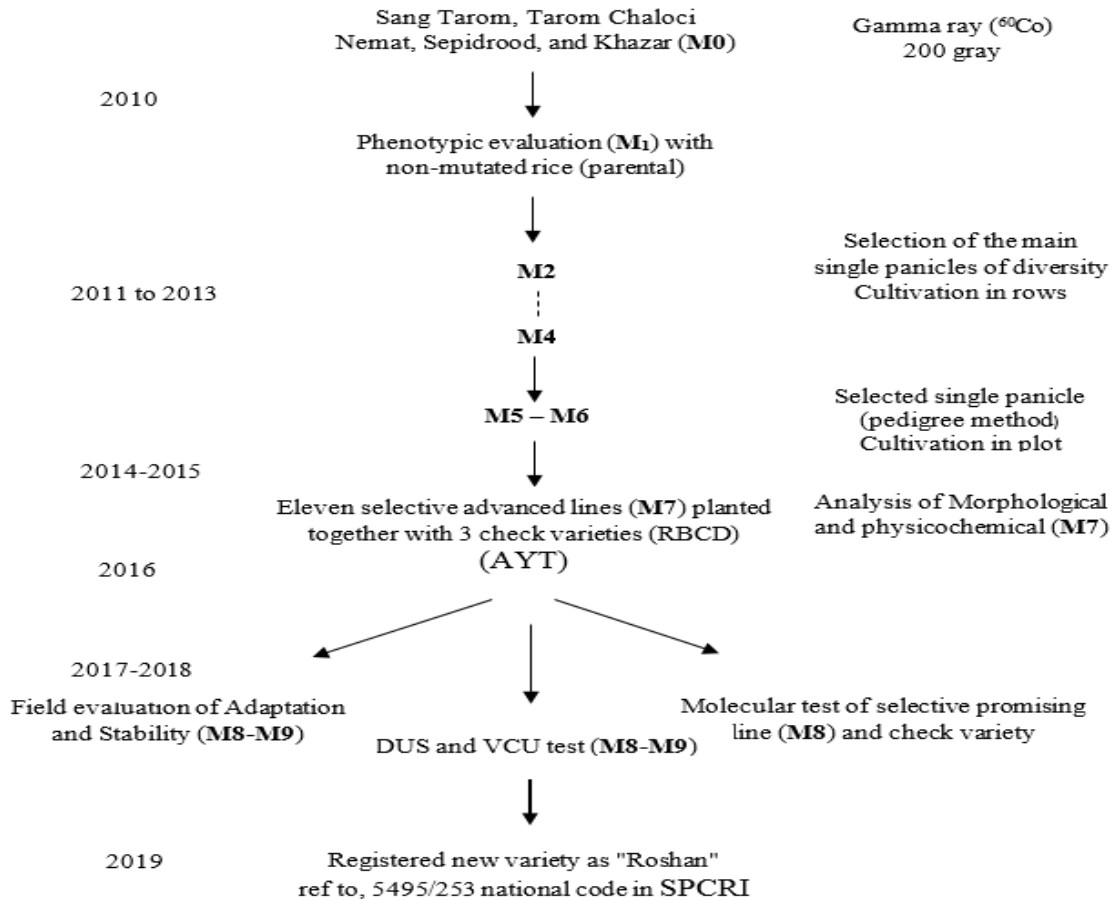
## MATERIALS AND METHODS

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Five rice varieties including local (Sang Tarom, Tarom Chaloci) and improved varieties (Nemat, Sepidrood, and Khazar) used for physical gamma ray treatment through AEIO, then treated seeds cultivated at experimental field of Genetics and Agricultural Biotechnology Institute of Tabarestan (GABIT), Sari Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources University (SANRU) in year 2010. The M<sub>1</sub> seeds along with wild-type varieties (untreated seeds), were hereafter named as maternal parents grown in a nursery at year 2010. After 30 days the M<sub>1</sub> and the maternal seedlings were transplanted in the main field for further evaluation. All the agronomic practices were carried out according to the region practices. At the end, the seeds of the main panicle were harvested at the maturity time. The evaluation of the succeeding generations (M<sub>2</sub>-M<sub>7</sub>) was conducted using a modified method based on the pedigree during 2011 to 2017 (Figure 1).

### Morphological evaluation (M7)

The eleven superior M<sub>7</sub> lines (Table 1) selected and planted together with 3 check varieties (Tarom Hashemi local aromatic, Shiroodi and Nemat (23), high yield improved varieties). A Randomized Complete Block Design (RCBD) with three replications was used for the advanced yield trials (AYT). Soaking, transplanting (25 × 25) and agronomic practices were done according to the practices of local farmers. Most important morphological traits such as days to maturity, number of fertile tiller (no), plant height (cm), panicle length (cm), number of grain per panicle (no), number of filled grain per panicle (no), 1000 grain weight (gr), grain yield (gr.m<sup>-2</sup>) were evaluated (13).



**Figure 1.** The whole mutation breeding scheme of the registered and released new mutant variety as "Roshan".

**Table 1.** The entry code of eleven M7 mutant lines, including check varieties, used for further agronomical tests.

NO.*	Genotype code	NO.	Genotype code
1	M7-P1-4-1-1-1-1-1-1-1	8	M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1
2	M7-P6-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1	9	M7-P11-6-1-1-1-1-1-1-1
3	M7-P10-2-2-1-1-1-1-1-1	10	M7-P11-6-2-3-1-1-1-1-1
4	M7-P10-5-4-4-1-1-1-1-1	11	M7-P18-1-4-3-3-1-1-1-1
5	M7-P10-5-4-5-1-1-1-1-1	12	Tarom Hashemi
6	M7-P10-6-4-1-1-1-1-1-1	13	Shiroodi
7	M7-P10-6-4-6-1-1-1-1-1	14	Nemat

\*: Number of genotypes, M7: 7<sup>th</sup> mutant generation, P1: Sange Tarom, P6: Tarom Chaloosi, P10: Nemat, P11: Sepidrood, P18: Khazar, Tarom hashemi (local control), Shiroodi (Improved control), Nemat (Mutant parent).

**Table 2.** Molecular markers correlated with aroma and qualities traits genes of studied rice genotypes.

Marker ID	Marker type	Chromosom location	Sequence 5' → 3'	Reference
FGR	SNP	8	ttgtttggagcttgctgatg agtgctttacaaagtcccgc	[6]
IFAP, INSP, ESP and EAP	SNP		cataggagcagctgaaatataacc ctggtaaaaagattatggcttca	
RM190	SSR	6	gctacaaatagccaccacacc aacacaagcagagaagtgaagc	[2]
RM510	SSR	6	aaccggattagtttctcgcc tgaggacgacgagcagattc	[34]

### Physicochemical properties (M7)

Physicochemical characteristics used were brewers rice (%), milling (%), grain length before cooking (mm), grain length after cooking (mm), elongation after cooking (mm). Furthermore, amylose content (%) was measured using Juliano and Villareal methods (16), Gelatinization Temperature (GT) using Little *et al.* (19). Gel Consistency (GC) was determined using Cagampang and coworkers methods (7). The study of aroma in grains was done according to the Sood and Siddiq sensory methods (33) and finally, the head rice, was evaluated at the GABIT grain quality lab (Table 2).

### Molecular testing (M8)

Molecular analysis was done only for aromatic gene and cooking quality genes using three SSR primers, Including RM190 for quality cooking, RM510 for GC, and SNP of *fgr* for aroma (Table 2). Fresh leaves (M8) of the selected promising line (M8-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1) along with aromatic and non-aromatic control varieties (Tarom Hashemi, Nemat, and Sange Tarom) were used for DNA extraction using CTAB method (36). SSR-PCR was performed according to Bradbury *et al.* (6) with the modification. SNP-PCR was performed using the mixture of 2.0 µl of 10X reaction buffer (with 20 mM Mg<sup>2+</sup>), 0.2 µl of 10 mM dNTPs mix, 0.25 µl of *taq* DNA Polymerase, 5 µl of DNA template, 0.4 µl of each primer EAP, and ESP, 0.5 µl of primer INSP and 0.5 µl of IFAP. The total volume of the PCR reaction mixture was 20 µl and amplification was carried out using a thermal cycler. Cycling conditions were performed for 4 min at 94 °C, followed by 35 cycles

of 30 s at 94 °C, 30 s at 53 °C and 1 min at 72 °C concluded with the final extension of 7 min at 72 °C. Electrophoresis in 1.8% agarose gel and staining in ethidium bromide was done to analyze PCR products.

### Supplementary experiments

The selected promising lines of M8 and M9 (2017-2018) were grown in 40 farmer's fields in Mazandaran province for further field tests. Meanwhile (for two years), DUS and VCU tests were conducted for a selected promising line with its parent and check varieties through the SPCRI description (2017-2018) (Figure 1).

### Data analysis

Data analysis was performed using SPSS software version 16. Mean comparison was conducted using Duncan's method at the 5% probability level. A dendrogram was produced by cluster analysis of the agronomic and physicochemical traits of mutant genotypes including check varieties using the Ward method.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Morphological characteristics (M7)

The analysis of variance in advanced yield trials (AYT) indicated, the significant differences of all morphological traits at a 1% level of probability (Table 3).

The mean comparison of different traits (Table 4) has shown that, the M7-P1-4-1-1-1-1-1-1 line was the earliest maturity (average 123.67 days of sowing to harvest; means 123 up to 126.67 days to maturity).

**Table 3.** Variance analysis of morphological traits related to 11 promising lines (M7) and 3 control varieties.

S.O.V	df	No. Days to maturity	No. Fertile tiller	Plant Height	Panicle length	No. Grain panicle	No. filled grain Panicle	1000 weight Grain	Grain yield	Head rice
Ms										
Genotype	13	79.5**	25.6**	925.0**	29.3**	3562.7**	2413.9**	14.4**	3267266**	185.7**
Block	2	0.16	0.13	0.43	0.18	19.10	30.78	0.04	52.21	0.04
Error	26	0.14	0.83	7.13	0.74	5.93	13.00	0.24	2541.41	0.021

\*\* : Significant at 0.01 Probability level

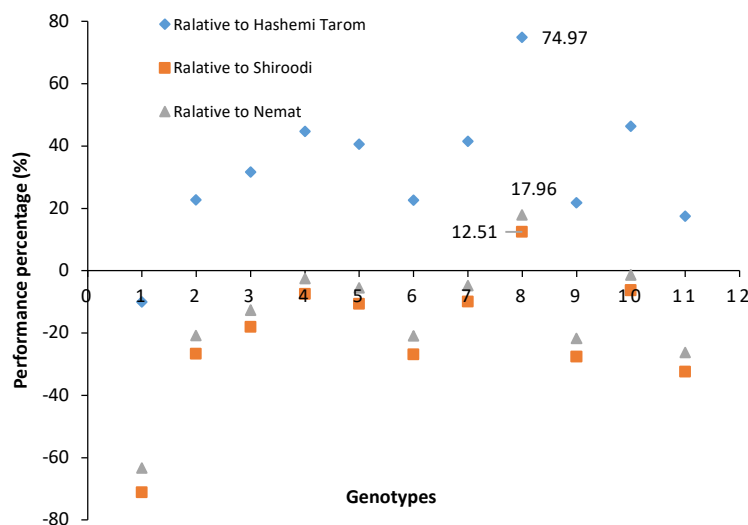
**Table 4.** The average grain yield and others agronomic important traits of the studied mutant rice genotypes and check varieties.

Rice genotypes	No. Days to maturity	No. Fertile tiller	Plant Height (cm)	Panicle length (cm)	No. Grain.panicle <sup>1</sup>	No. filled grain.panicle <sup>1-</sup>	1000 Grain weight (g)	Grain yield
1	118.67 i	10.67 f	140.23 b	27.10 ef	85.57 j	79.80 g	23.62 c	4.27 j
2	124.33 f	11.12 e	100.07 g	24.63 gh	67.20 k	62.33 h	28.04 a	5.77 g
3	126.67 c	13.03 d	105.41 ef	22.50 i	150.60 d	129.40 b	23.92 c	6.19 f
4	124 f	15.08 c	100.94 fg	26.03 gh	145.33 ef	125.27 bc	25 b	6.80 d
5	126 d	12.15 de	100.66 fg	27.21 ef	168.07 bc	129.53 b	25.18 b	6.61 e
6	125 e	11.92 de	94.22 h	28.30 de	140.40 g	106.47 de	23.58 c	5.77 g
7	125 e	15.25 c	103.94 efg	32.16 ab	149 de	101 e	25.05 b	6.66 e
8	123.67 f	18.75 a	119.70 d	32.53 a	193.23 a	175.10 a	24.17 c	8.23 a
9	125.67 e	16.75 bc	103.33 efg	27.63 e	128.63 h	84.87 fg	23.46 c	5.73 g
10	124 f	18.67 a	107.05 e	30.87 bc	143.60 g	101.07 e	28.69 a	6.88 d
11	123 g	16 .25 bc	87.55 i	24.23 h	146.27 ef	82.80 fg	21.86 d	5.52 h
Tarom Hashemi	120 h	10.67 e	148.04 a	26 fg	100.80 i	88.30 f	21.71 d	4.70 i
Shiroodi	130 b	17.33 ab	123.25 cd	29.56 cd	170.93 b	122 .70 c	25.26 b	7.31 b
Nemat	140.67 a	16.33 bc	126.67 c	31.67 ab	165.67 c	108.33 d	28.33 a	6.98 c

Means in each column, followed by similar letter(s) are not significantly different at 5% probability level, using Duncan’s Multiple Range Test.

This trait is one of the most important traits of rice cultivation for the Northern part of Iran, due to early season rainfall and third generation of stem borer pest. The highest number of fertile tillers (18.75) is related to M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1 line. On the other hand, the high-yielding cultivars such as Shiroodi and Nemat have on average about 16 fertile tillers per plant. The longest panicle length belonged to M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1 line with 32.53 cm, which was longer than its Nemat parent variety (31.67 cm). The highest total number of grains per panicle and number of filled grains per panicle also belonged to this line, which is two-fold greater than the local check variety (Tarom Hashemi) (Table 4). The grain yield of the new improved line (M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1) was 8.23 ton/ha, which was greater than Shiroodi

(7.31 ton/ha), Nemat (6.98 ton/ha) and Tarom Hashemi (4.70 ton/ha). Nuruzzaman *et al.* (24) reported that the high yield of mutant line's (11.8 to 33.02 gr per plant) comparing to the classical and parental normal line's yield (6.15 to 9.97 gr per plant). Graphical comparison of grain yield among new mutant lines and check varieties are shown in Figure 2. In this comparison, the M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1 has shown 12.51 percent yield more than Shiroodi, 17.96 percent comparing to the Nemat (the maternal parent) and 74.97 percent comparing to the local aromatic check variety (Tarom Hashemi). Sen *et al.* reported that, the new released mutant line entitled CR Boro Dhan-2, a high yield mutant variety (6.1 t/ha) of China 45, with medium maturity and tolerant to cold stress at the seedling stage (30). Analysis of variance for



**Figure 2.** Yield graphic comparison between, the mutant genotypes and control varieties.

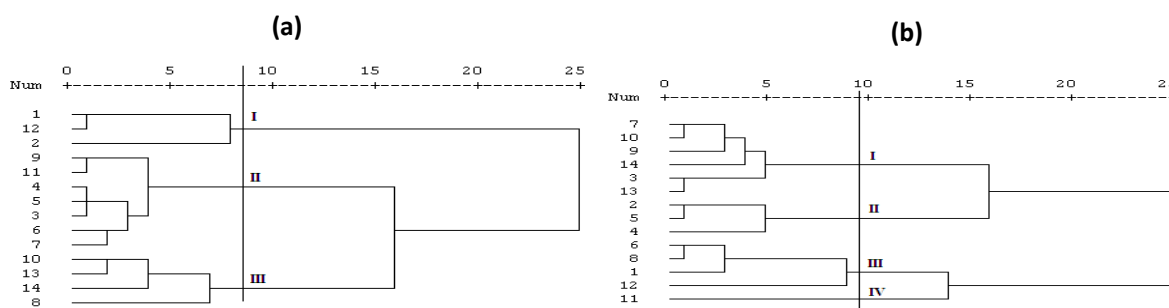
physicochemical properties indicated that, the significant differences between the genotypes for all traits (Table 5).

### Physicochemical properties (M7)

Mean comparison of physicochemical characteristics is shown in Table 6; The best head rice (66.20%), including highest milling rate (73.96%) is belonged to the M7-P10-2-2-1-1-1-1-1-1, the longest grain belongs to line M7-P11-6-2-3-1-1-1-1-1 with 8.03 mm length, and the grain elongation refers to M7-P10-5-4-4-1-1-1-1-1 with 13.5 mm length, (5.62 mm elongation). Cooking test showed the best aroma scent which was comparable to the quality control variety (Tarom Hashemi) belonged to the M7-P1-4-1-1-1-1-1-1-1, M7-P10-6-4-1-1-1-1-1-1 and M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 lines. All mutant promising lines indicated the desirable GC (87-98 mm) and the soft gel (3-7). Similar to our observation, Shehata *et al.* reported the development of quality and aromatic scent variation in a mutation breeding program (21). Patnaik *et al.* treated the Pusa Basmati variety, in order to enhance its yield via mutation breeding, and finally introduced Poorna Bhog new variety with 4.5-5 ton/ha yield (27). Usually the high-yield variety, is accompanied by a lack of

the aromatic and fluffy characteristics, the type has no preference by Iranian consumers (26).

Cluster analysis of morphological traits of genotypes has shown, three main groups (Figure 3a); the maximum members (7 lines) related to group II or high yield varieties (50%). M7-P11-6-2-3-1-1-1-1-1 and M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 as well as two improved check varieties (Nemat and Shiroodi) are located in group III. These results pointed to the close genetic relationship of new mutant lines with two high yield varieties. The effects of gamma ray on genetic and morphological diversity of some rice varieties analyzed via cluster analysis; The results, demonstrated that the vast diversity comparing to the local varieties (Tarom Hashemi and Sange-Jo) and some improved varieties (Nemat, Fajr and Jelodar) (25). Cluster analysis of physicochemical traits of genotypes has shown, four main groups (Figure 3b); Furthermore, the quality characteristics cluster has shown that, M7-P10-6-4-1-1-1-1-1-1, M7-P1-4-1-1-1-1-1-1 and M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1), as well as aromatic check variety (Tarom Hashemi) located in the same group. It means that those mutant lines have cooking and eating characteristics with the same aromatic attribute as local varieties.



**Figure 3.** Dendrogram of morphological (a) and physiological (b) cluster analysis of mutant genotypes including check varieties using Ward method for grain yield, agronomy and physicochemical traits.

Ultimately, line M7-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 with desirable morphological and physicochemical characteristics such as early maturity (123.67), number of tillers plant (18.75), panicle length (32.53 cm), total grain per panicle (193),

grain yield (8.23 tons/ha), GT (5.42), GC (98 mm), AC (18.4%), same aromatic sent such as local aromatic variety (Tarom Hashemi), was selected to be released.

**Table 5.** Variance analysis of physicochemical traits related to 11 promising lines (M7) and 3 control varieties.

S.O.V	df	BR	M	L	L+	Ar	GT	GC (mm)	AC (%)	E
Ms										
Genotype	13	162.37**	72.29**	0.75**	2.84**	0.71**	7.01**	235.81**	13.94**	1.44**
Block	2	0.12	0.36	0.53	1.01	0.02	0.01	103.07	0.33	1.80
Error	26	0.05	0.06	0.10	0.35	0.101	0.00	25.61	0.32	0.42

BR: brewers rice, M: Milling rate (%), L: Grain length before cooking, L+: Grain length after cooking.

\*\* : Significant at 0.01 Probability level

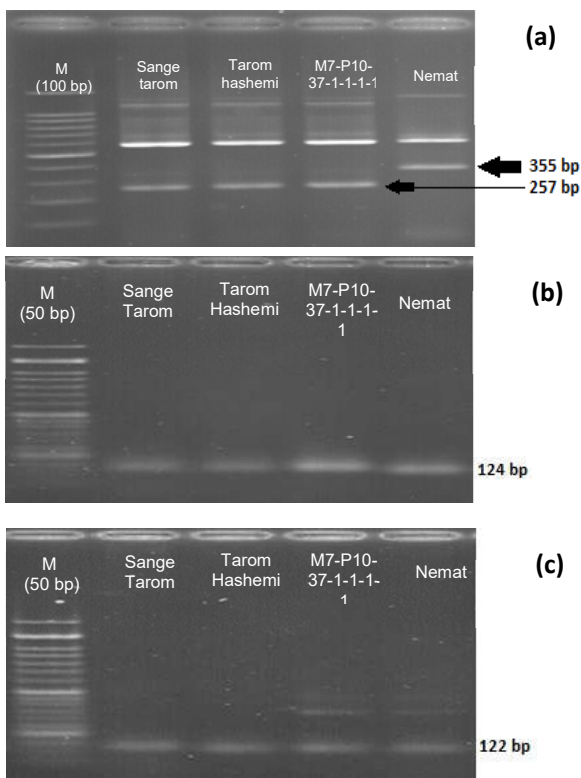
**Table 6.** Mean Comparison of physicochemical traits for studied mutant lines including check varieties.

Rice genotypes	HR (%)	BR (%)	M (%)	L (mm)	L+ (mm)	Ar	GT	GC (mm)	AC (%)	E (mm)
1	54.49 i	16.33 e	70.82 c	7.18 d-g	11d-f	3 a	3.33 h	87 b	19.1 e	3.82
2	47.23 k	23.66 b	70.89 c	7.37 c-f	12.23 bc	2.67	4.5 g	97 a	19.1 e	4.86
3	66.20 a	7.76 i	73.96 a	7.68 b-e	12.26 bc	2 cd	6.5 c	93.33	23 bc	4.58
4	56.73 h	16.77 d	73.50 b	7.82 bc	13.50 a	2.33	7 a	97 a	23 bc	5.68 a
5	46.31 k	27.60 a	73.91 ab	7.28 c-f	11.50 b-e	2 cd	6.5 c	93.67	20.9 d	4.22
6	58.49 f	11.46 g	69.95 d	7.69 b-e	11.67 bcd	3 a	6.75 b	95 ab	21.1 d	3.98
7	57.21 g	6.20 i	63.41 i	7.42 b-f	12 bcd	2 cd	6.75 b	88.67	22.79	4.58
8	63.73 b	5.08 ik	69.80 d	7.33 b-f	10.53 e-g	3 a	5.42 e	98 a	18.4 e	3.21 c
9	54.63 i	8.21 h	62.84 i	7.79 bcd	11.50 b-e	1.67 d	3.25 h	88.33	21.11	3.71
10	52.25 i	12.49 f	64.74 h	8.03 b	12.55 ab	2 cd	6.5 c	94.33	21.2 d	4.51
11	37.32 m	19.58 c	56.90 k	6.82 fg	9.83 g	2.67	3 i	98 a	17.3 f	3.01 c
Tarom Hashemi	62.11 d	6.25 i	68.37 e	6.57 bcd	10.33 fg	3 a	3.25 h	67 d	22.85	3.68
Shiroodi	62.85 c	4.68 l	67.53 f	7.16 efg	11.33 c-f	2 cd	4.75 f	94.67	24 ab	4.18
Nemat	59.51 e	5.77 k	65.28 g	8.61 a	12.33bc	2 cd	6 d	77 c	24.2 a	3.73

Ar: Aroma, GT: Gelatinization temperature, GC: Gel consistency, AC: Amylose content and E: Elongation after cooking.

### Molecular testing (M8)

The results of the molecular analysis with aroma gene (*fgr* marker) for the selected line (M8-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1) indicated that it has the same aromatic gene's band (257 bp) as Tarom Hashemi and Sang Tarom local aromatic varieties (Figure 4a). Yeap *et al.* (35) was confident in the efficacy of molecular markers analysis integrated with sensory methods, using aromatic bands (257 bp) for Gharib and Sadri genotypes. Furthermore, in the current study the use of RM190 and RM510 primers also showed that selected promising line M8-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 possessed the same band similar as qualitative control cultivars (Figures 4b, c).



**Figure 4.** The locus of aroma gene marker (*fgr*) of P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 (a), RM 190 of P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 (b) and P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 (c), Sang Tarom, Tarom Hashemi, and Nemat.

Finally, based on tests of advanced yield trial, physiological, molecular, DUS, and VCU field observations. the line M9-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 was recognized as the best candidate for releasing as a new

variety. So that this line was registered as "Roshan" variety in Seed and Plant Certification and Registration Institute (SPCRI), ref to, 5495/253 national code, dated 02/12/2019. The agronomical and physicochemical characteristics of 'Roshan' variety is summarized in Table 7.

**Table 7.** Agronomic and physicochemical characteristics of Roshan new rice varieties based on tests of DUS and VCU in two years and also field observations

Traits	Feature
Maturity (Mat)	<b>123.67 days</b>
Plant Height (Ht)	<b>119.7 cm</b>
No. tiller	<b>18.75 No</b>
Panicle Exsertion (Exs)	<b>Well exserted</b>
Awning (An)	<b>Absent</b>
Panicle Length (PnL)	<b>32.53 mm</b>
1000-grain Weight (GW)	<b>24.17 gr</b>
Grain.panicle <sup>-1</sup>	<b>175.1 No</b>
Unfilled grain panicle <sup>-1</sup>	<b>15</b>
Grain yield	<b>8.23 Ton/ha</b>
Grain Length (GrL)	<b>11.32 mm</b>
Brown Rice Length (Len)	<b>7.33 mm</b>
Brown Rice Width (BrW)	<b>1.55 mm</b>
Chalkiness of Endosperm (Clk)	<b>None</b>
Rice Length After cooking	<b>10.53 mm</b>
Gelatinization temperature (GT)	<b>5.42</b>
Gel consistency (GC)	<b>98 mm</b>
Amylase content (AC)	<b>18.4%</b>
Aroma	<b>Good</b>
Tolerance to Stem Borers	<b>Moderate*</b>
Tolerance to Leaf folder	<b>Moderate*</b>
Tolerance to blast	<b>Resistant*</b>
Tolerance to Blight Disease	<b>moderate*</b>

Observation in field at VCU and DUS.

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## چکیده

اصلاح موتاسیونی بعنوان روشی نوین برای بهبود گیاهان زراعی و دستیابی به عملکرد بالا با حفظ خصوصیات کیفی است. در این پژوهش از برنامه اصلاح موتاسیونی با پرتودهی اشعه گاما بر روی چند رقم برنج (ارقام محلی و اصلاح‌شده شامل ارقام سنگ طارم، طارم چالوسی، نعمت، سپیدرود و خزر) در مزرعه پژوهشی پژوهشکده ژنتیک و زیست‌فناوری کشاورزی طبرستان از سال ۱۳۸۹ تا ۱۳۹۷ شمسی استفاده گردید. بذور پنج رقم برنج با اشعه گاما و با دز ۲۰۰ گری در پژوهشکده هسته‌ای سازمان انرژی اتمی کشور تیماردهی شده و سپس نسل‌های در حال تفکیک (M2-M9) طی مدت ۷ سال کشت و صفات زراعی از طریق روش شجره‌ای ارزیابی شدند. در نهایت ۱۱ لاین امیدبخش انتخابی در نسل نهم موتانت در قالب طرح بلوک‌های کامل تصادفی با سه تکرار برای آزمون‌های تکمیلی مورد ارزیابی قرار گرفتند. نتایج نشان داد که لاین M9-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1-1 (از موتانت نعمت) دارای عملکرد بالا (۸/۲۳ تن در هکتار)، زودرس (۱۲۳/۶۷ روز)، همراه با خصوصیات فیزیکی‌شیمیایی مطلوب ( $GC = 98$ ،  $AC = 18/4$  و  $GT = 5/42$ ) و عطر و طعم مناسب (تایید شده با نشانگر *fgt* با طول باند ۲۵۷bp) می‌باشد. مقایسه میانگین عملکردها نشان داد که، لاین M9-P10-37-1-1-1-1-1-1 در مقایسه با رقم شیروودی ۱۲/۵۱ درصد و نسبت به طارم هاشمی ۴۷/۹۷ درصد افزایش عملکرد داشته و همزمان از کیفیت مناسبی (مشابه خصوصیات فیزیکی‌شیمیایی و عطر ارقام محلی) برخوردار می‌باشد. این لاین موتانت جدید در مؤسسه ثبت و گواهی بذر و نهال بعنوان رقم روشن ثبت و تجاری‌سازی گردید.

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