

## **YIELDS AND QUALITY PERFORMANCES OF CORIANDER (*Coriandrum sativum* L.) GENOTYPES UNDER DIFFERENT ECOLOGICAL CONDITIONS**

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### **ABSTRACT**

The experiments were conducted in two successive vegetation seasons of 2013 and 2014 at the Isparta and Eskişehir ecological conditions. The aim of this study was to determine the performance and stability of coriander genotypes for yield and yield components and essential oil content. In the study, Gamze, Kudret, Erbaa, Arslan and Pel-mus coriander cultivars and Burdur, Antalya and Tokat genotypes were evaluated growing seasons of 2013 and 2014 under the Isparta and Eskişehir ecological conditions in Turkey. Years and locations with different climatic and geographic characters had significant effects in coriander genotypes for yield, yield components and essential oil content. Increase in seed yield and decrease in essential oil content occurred with increasing rainfall. Results revealed that Arslan cultivar in Eskişehir location and Kudret in Isparta location had the highest seed yield. Besides Kudret cultivar and Gamze cultivar gave the highest seed yield as a means of locations; Eskişehir location had also higher seed yield.

**Keywords:** Coriander (*Coriandrum sativum* L.), essential oil content, genotypes, seed yield, stability, yield components.

### **INTRODUCTION**

As an annual herbaceous crop, and belonging to the *Apiaceae* (*Umbellifera*) family, coriander (*Coriandrum sativum* L.) is known to be native plant of Mediterranean region, Western Europe and Asia (Jarcau, 2013; Dyulgerov and Dyulgerov, 2013; Ghamarnia and Daichin, 2013; Moniruzzaman et al., 2014 and Meena et al., 2014). The leaves as culinary herb and fruits as spice have been used in the various regions of the world for a long time (Yousuf et al., 2014; Ghamarnia and Daichin, 2013; Meena et al., 2014; Jarcau, 2013; Moniruzzaman et al., 2014 and Dyulgerov and Dyulgerov, 2013). Coriander seed rich in volatile oil is used as a spice and folk remedy, and essential oil derived from seeds is also used in perfumery, food, tobacco, soft and alcoholic beverage, and pharmaceutical industries and this could be answer why coriander seeds are an important ingredient of curry powder widely used in world cuisines (Şarer, 2004; Dyulgerov and Dyulgerov, 2013; Moniruzzaman et al., 2014 and Yousuf et al., 2014). Moreover, studies reported that seed and essential oil of coriander have anti-diabetic, laxative, carminative, diuretic, tonic, hypolipidemic, anti-cancer etc. effects (Ghamarnia and Daichin, 2013, Inan et al., 2014 and Hani et al., 2015).

Yield and quality characters of genotype are commonly under effect of genetic makeup, environmental

condition and agronomical practices (Sifola and Barbieri, 2006, Gharib et al., 2008 and Hadian et al., 2010). Seed yield of coriander changed almost from 0,90 t ha<sup>-1</sup> to 2,1 t ha<sup>-1</sup> (Kizil, 2002; Kaya et al., 2000 and Inan et al., 2014). Differences of these values may be attributed to genotype × environment interactions (Kaya et al., 2000 and Inan et al., 2014). Meanwhile, seed yield is mostly under effect of some yield components (plant height, number of branches, number of umbrella per plant and 1000 seed weight and essential oil content), appearing essential determiners for breeding programs (Gharib et al., 2008; Hadian et al., 2010 and Inan et al., 2014). The aim of this study was to determine the performance and stability of coriander genotypes for yield and yield components and essential oil content.

### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

The trails were carried out during two successive growing seasons of 2013 and 2014 under the Isparta and Eskişehir ecological conditions in Turkey. The province of Isparta located in the transition region in the inner part of the western Mediterranean region in between the Mediterranean Sea and the Central Anatolia Region bear the climate features (average annual rainfall is 524.0 mm) of both of the regions with 1050 meters altitude.

The province of Eskişehir located in Aegean, Marmara and Central Anatolia Region with 788 meters altitude has

semi-arid (average annual rainfall is 349.8 mm) and cool continental climate. Winter months are frosty and summer months are hot and the nights are cool. There are big differences between day and night temperatures. Five different coriander cultivars (Arslan, Erbaa, Gamze, Kudret-K and Pel-Mus) and three different genotypes (Burdur, Antalya and Tokat) were used in the study. Climatic data for the two successive growing seasons and long years of locations are given in Table 1. During the growing seasons (from March to end of August) in 2013, 2014 and in long years; total precipitation of 289.5, 284.2

and 207.8 mm, average temperature of 20.6, 19.7 and 19.7 °C and an average humidity of 61.0, 66.1 and 63.8% were recorded in Isparta. Besides, total precipitations were 142.9, 133.6 and 156.7 mm, average temperatures were 16.7, 16.6 and 15.4 °C, average humidity values were 55.6, 61.8 and 57.9% in 2013, 2014 and long years (from March to end of August) of Eskisehir. Soil at a depth of 60 cm was sampled before the experiment and subjected to a physicochemical analysis. Data for the years and locations are indicated in Table 2.

**Table 1.** Meteorological data of the experiment locations\*

Isparta								
Climatic factors	Years	Months						Total or Average
		March	April	May	June	July	August	
Precipitation (mm)	2013	25.1	59.9	66.5	34.4	68.2	15.4	289.5
	2014	78.6	44.8	107.0	42.8	20.8	10.2	284.2
	Long Years	52.8	56.6	50.8	28.4	18.4	0.8	207.8
Average Temperature (°C)	2013	7.2	11.9	17.1	20.5	23.0	23.7	20.6
	2014	7.2	11.0	14.5	19.1	23.7	23.2	19.7
	Long Years	5.9	10.8	15.6	20.1	22.3	23.9	19.7
Relative humidity (%)	2013	60.0	58.0	52.0	50.0	44.0	41.0	61.0
	2014	63.7	60.4	62.4	52.7	45.3	45.9	66.1
	Long Years	61.3	64.2	50.3	53.0	45.8	44.5	63.8
Eskişehir								
Climatic factors	Years	Months						Total or Average
		March	April	May	June	July	August	
Precipitation (mm)	2013	45.1	35.9	23.5	36.3	2.1	0.0	142.9
	2014	23.1	15.2	27.2	60.6	7.5	0.0	133.6
	Long Years	27.6	43.1	40.0	23.7	13.1	9.2	156.7
Average Temperature (°C)	2013	7.1	10.8	18.2	20.0	21.6	22.4	16.7
	2014	6.5	11.3	16.4	19.9	23.7	21.9	16.6
	Long Years	4.9	9.6	14.9	19.1	22.1	21.8	15.4
Relative humidity (%)	2013	59.8	63.2	51.5	53.9	51.9	53.1	55.6
	2014	69.0	63.7	63.3	64.1	57.8	52.8	61.8
	Long Years	64.2	62.7	59.5	55.2	51.9	53.6	57.9

\*Data were taken from Isparta and Eskişehir Regional Meteorological Service

**Table 2.** Physical and chemical characteristics of soil in experiment locations

Years	Structure	Lime (%)	Available Phosphorus (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ) (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Available Potassium (K <sub>2</sub> O) (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Organic Matter (%)
Isparta						
<b>2013</b>	<b>Clay-Loam</b>	10.79	9.61	705	8.1	1.69
<b>2014</b>	<b>Clay-Loam</b>	9.62	9.00	650	7.9	1.38
Eskişehir						
<b>2013</b>	<b>Clay-Loam</b>	8.57	8.95	1290	7.71	1.58
<b>2014</b>	<b>Clay-Loam</b>	7.13	6.69	1050	8.0	1.43

The experimental plots were plowed, cultivated and then prepared for planting with a single pass of a disk-harrow. The experiments were arranged according to a randomized complete-block design with three replicates. Seeds were sown by hand in the first week of March in the sowing rate of 40 seeds m<sup>-2</sup> in both the experimental years in Isparta location and were sown in the second week of

March in both the experimental years in Eskişehir location. The distance between rows was 25 cm and within the rows were 10 cm. Each plot area was 7.5 m<sup>2</sup> (5 m x 1.5 m) and consisted of 6 rows. Seeds were sown at 2-3 cm depths by hand. Nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizers were applied at the rate of 60 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> and 30 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> in the form of ammonium sulphate and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, respectively (Kizil,

2002). One-half of nitrogenous fertilizer was applied as base fertilizer at the time of sowing and the rest one-half at plant height when 10-15 cm. Phosphorus fertilizer was applied as basal fertilizer at the time of sowing. In both years and locations, the experiments were non-irrigated at any growing stage.

All the necessary cultural practices were similarly applied to the plots during the two growing seasons in both locations. When the seeds ripen, plants from 4 rows in the center of each plot were harvested manually. Seed yield ( $t\ ha^{-1}$ ) and its components including plant height (cm), number of branches per plant (branches  $plant^{-1}$ ), number of umbrella per plant (umbrella  $plant^{-1}$ ) and 1000 seed weight (g) were determined. To determine the seed essential oil content, 100 g powdered coriander seed samples in 0.5 L water from each population and cultivar were extracted by hydro-distillation for 3 hours using Cleverger apparatus according to the standard procedure described in European Pharmacopoeia (Stainier, 1975) for determining the oil content (v/w, %). All the data were subjected to variance analysis (ANOVA) by using SAS Statistical Package Program, the significant differences between the group means were separated using the LSD (Least Significant Difference) test (Duzgunes et al., 1987). Stability analyses (genotypes  $\times$  environment interaction) for seed yield and yield components and essential oil content based on two locations (Isparta and Eskisehir) over two years were performed as suggested by Finlay and Winkinson (1963), Eberhart and Russel (1966).

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Having different flavors, almost all parts of coriander plant is used for its leaves, stems and seeds. Particularly seeds are consumed; rapid tasteless flavors give when it is green and fresh. It turns spicy flavored style when dried and get a pale brown seed. Coriander has a lot of health benefits comprising treatment of skin inflammation, high cholesterol levels, diarrhea, mouth ulcers, anemia, indigestion, menstrual disorders etc. (Carubba et al., 2002; Islam et al., 2004 and Singh et al., 2006). The main objective of coriander breeding programs is to introduce promising genotypes having greater yielding ability and stability, greater essential oil content and resistance to environmental conditions and tremendous efforts have been made to create novel genotypes. Results from the coriander breeding program indicate that seed yield, plant height, 1000 seed weight, number of umbrella, number of branches and essential oil content.

Seed yields ( $t\ ha^{-1}$ ), plant height (cm), number of branches (branches  $plant^{-1}$ ), number of umbrella per plant (umbrella  $plant^{-1}$ ) and 1000 seed weight (g) of coriander cultivars and populations in Isparta and Eskisehir locations are shown in Table 3. In different plant characters, plant height, number of branches and umbrella, thousand seed weight, seed yield and oil content could be considered as a criteria for success of breeding and development of new genotypes (Kaya et al., 2000; Inan et al., 2014; Moniruzzaman et al., 2014 and Yousuf et al., 2014). Plant height may be considered as a momentous

yield component that is associated with seed yield along with other yield determinants (Singh et al., 2006). Differences years and locations, interactions between factors were found to be significant; and statistically insignificant differences were found between genotypes and year  $\times$  location  $\times$  genotype interactions. Higher plant heights in year of 2014 and Isparta location were recorded that of 2014 and Eskisehir location. These can be explained with differences of climatic conditions in among the years and locations during growing period of both the years (Table 1).

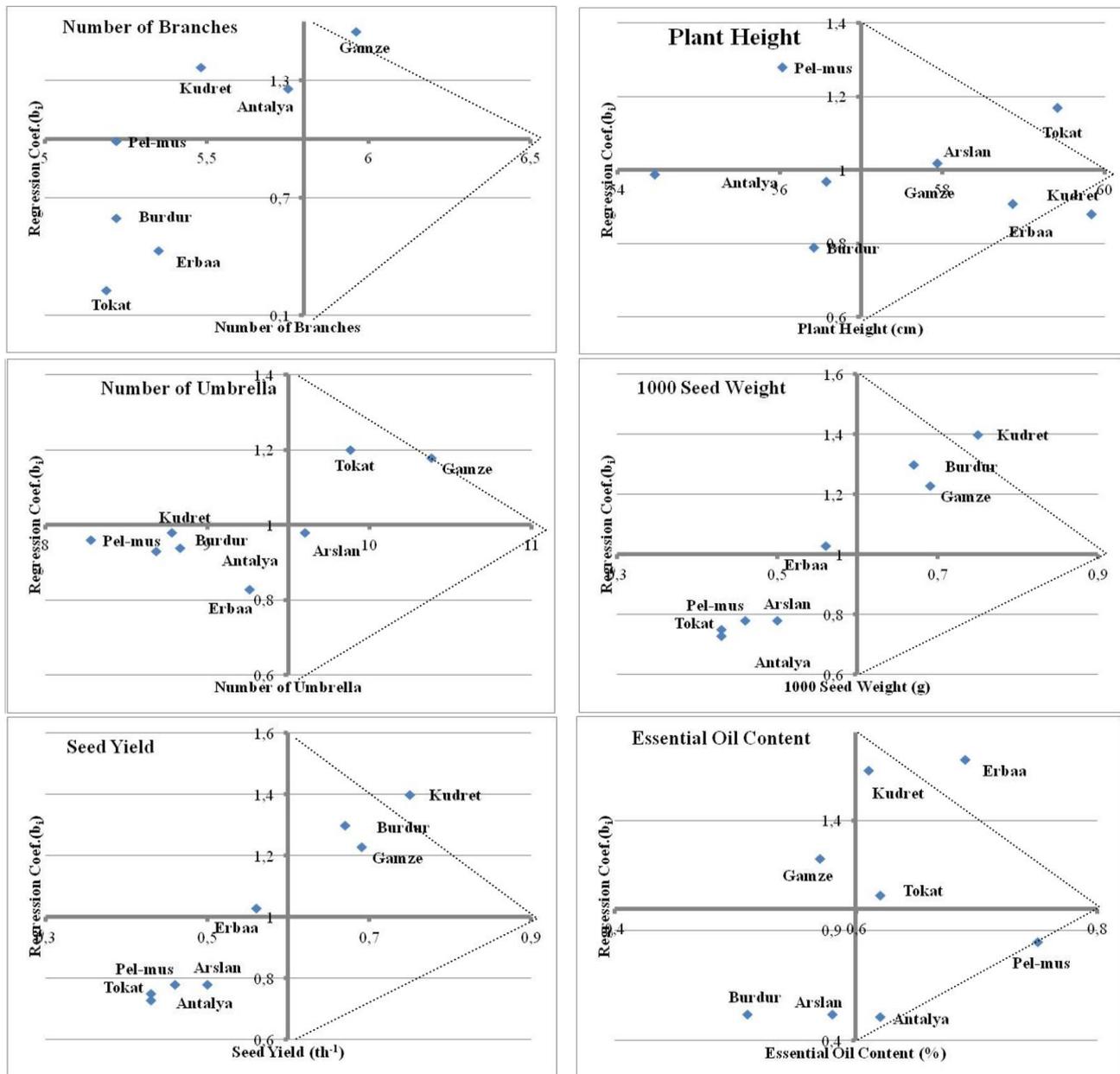
Dual significant interactions showed that significant differences between environmental conditions or interactions could result in huge variations in plant height. Plant height is mainly controlled by genotype  $\times$  environment interactions and this may also be influenced by ecological conditions and agronomic practices (Inan et al., 2014). Moreover, literatures reported that distribution of precipitation/rainfall in seasons is to influence the plant height (Mencuccini and Magnani, 2000 and Midgley, 2003). Similarly we found that higher rainfall in the first year increased plant height. In our study, plant height ranged between 35.17-93.80 cm. It was reported that plant height ranged from 11.8-98.77 cm (Bhandari and Gupta, 1993; Datta and Choudhuri, 2006). Positive and significant correlations between plant height and number of umbrella, plant height and number of branches; negative and significant correlations between plant height and 1000 seed weight, plant height and seed yield were found in the study (Table 4).

Moreover, stability analysis revealed that Antalya, Arslan and Erbaa were more stable genotypes for plant height (Table 5 and Figure 1). The number of branches are seen in Table 3 indicated that differences between years, locations and genotypes, interactions between them were significant; alias, values were influenced by the years, locations, genotypes and their interactions.

When compared to the locations, higher number of branches was obtained in Isparta location, and in years, the number of branches was higher in 2014. On average, in terms of locations, the highest number of branches in 2013 and 2014 were found in Arslan genotype while the lowest one was Pel-mus genotype (Table 3). According to stability analysis, Antalya and Pel-mus were found to be more stable genotypes for number of branches (Table 5 and Figure 1). In the study, significant correlations ( $p < 0,01$ ) of number of branches with plant height, number of branches and seed yield; significant negative correlation ( $p < 0,05$ ) occurred between number of branches and essential oil content. The number of branches increased with the elongation of plant height due to rainfall that positively affected this component. Reported that coriander is a medicinal plant sensitive to water stress. The same authors stated that seed yield and its components were decreased rapidly according to increasing water stress during growing periods under semi-arid climatic conditions (Ghamarnia and Daichin, 2013 and Nowak and Zempliski, 2014). It was stated that yield components such as the number of branches and

umbrella affect directly seed yield and positive correlation between seed yield and aboveground biomass were reported (Tuncturk and Yildirim, 2006; Ozguven and Sekeroglu, 2007 and Sadeghi, 2009). Besides, Singh et al.

(2006) stated that the number of branches per plant, directly effecting seed yield, is particularly important in coriander breeding.



**Figure 1.** Stability performances of coriander genotypes for yield, yield components and essential oil content.

The number of umbrella is an important character, and the performance of it is formed by differences between years and locations and genotypes (Mert and Kirici, 1998, and Kizil, 2002). Similarly in our study, differences between locations and genotypes, year  $\times$  location interaction were determined as significant. The highest number of umbrella were taken from Gamze, Erbaa, Tokat and Arslan cultivars; besides Isparta location had the higher number of umbrella. In stability analysis, Gamze, Erbaa, Arslan and Kudret were more stabile genotypes for the number of umbrella (Table 5 and Figure 1).

Differences between locations in 2014 was higher than that of 2013 and different variations of locations in both years (Table 3 and 4). This probably occurs as a result of significant location  $\times$  year interaction. Our results agreed with results Mert and Kirici (1998) and Kizil (2002). Meanwhile, number of umbrella significantly correlated with plant height and seed yield. Similar to this, the number of umbrella per plant was another important character for seed and essential oil yield (Inan et al., 2014).

Table 3. Yield, some yield components and essential oil content of coriander.

		Plant height (cm)								
		Genotypes								
Years	Locations	Kudret	Burdur	Gamze	Erbaa	Tokat	Pel-mus	Antalya	Arslan	Mean
2013	Eskişehir	44,40	40,47	35,17	41,57	41,53	36,77	37,20	41,00	39,76
	Isparta	85,20	78,27	83,73	84,47	93,80	92,73	82,67	87,13	86,00
	Mean	<b>64,80</b>	<b>59,37</b>	<b>59,45</b>	<b>63,02</b>	<b>67,67</b>	<b>64,75</b>	<b>59,93</b>	<b>64,07</b>	<b>62,88<sup>A</sup></b>
2014	Eskişehir	49,93	49,00	51,43	49,57	44,93	37,07	43,43	45,17	46,32
	Isparta	59,80	57,93	55,93	59,87	57,40	57,53	54,53	58,47	57,68
	Mean	<b>54,87</b>	<b>53,47</b>	<b>53,68</b>	<b>54,72</b>	<b>51,17</b>	<b>47,30</b>	<b>48,98</b>	<b>51,82</b>	<b>52,00<sup>B</sup></b>
As a Means of Years	Eskişehir	47,17	44,73	43,30	45,57	43,23	36,92	40,32	43,08	<b>43,04<sup>B</sup></b>
	Isparta	72,50	68,10	69,83	72,17	75,60	75,13	68,60	72,80	<b>71,84<sup>A</sup></b>
<b>Grand Mean</b>		<b>59,83</b>	<b>56,42</b>	<b>56,57</b>	<b>58,87</b>	<b>59,42</b>	<b>56,03</b>	<b>54,46</b>	<b>57,94</b>	<b>57,44</b>
F <sub>values</sub> : Year: 274,92** Loc: 315,03** Year×Loc: 115,44** Gen: 2,173ns Year×Gen: 2,98* Loc×Gen: 3,40** Year×Loc×Gen: 0,94ns C.V.(%): 22,30   L.S.D.(%): Year: 6,51 Loc: 7,47 Year×Loc: 10,57 Year × Gen: 5,10 Loc×Gen: 6,79										
		Number of branches								
		Genotypes								
Years	Locations	Kudret	Burdur	Gamze	Erbaa	Tokat	Pel-mus	Antalya	Arslan	Mean
2013	Eskişehir	4,63	4,87	5,07	5,80	5,53	5,07	6,50	6,03	5,44
	Isparta	5,07	5,67	5,67	4,40	5,33	4,33	4,00	5,33	4,98
	Mean	<b>4,85</b>	<b>5,27</b>	<b>5,37</b>	<b>5,10</b>	<b>5,43</b>	<b>4,70</b>	<b>5,25</b>	<b>5,68</b>	<b>5,21<sup>b</sup></b>
2014	Eskişehir	3,93	4,00	4,03	5,07	4,43	4,27	4,43	5,30	4,43
	Isparta	8,27	6,33	9,07	6,13	5,47	7,20	8,07	9,87	7,55
	Mean	<b>6,10</b>	<b>5,17</b>	<b>6,55</b>	<b>5,60</b>	<b>4,95</b>	<b>5,73</b>	<b>6,25</b>	<b>7,58</b>	<b>5,99<sup>a</sup></b>
As a Means of Years	Eskişehir	4,28	4,43	4,55	5,43	4,98	4,67	5,47	5,67	<b>4,94<sup>B</sup></b>
	Isparta	6,67	6,00	7,37	5,27	5,40	5,77	6,03	7,60	<b>6,26<sup>A</sup></b>
<b>Grand Mean</b>		<b>5,48<sup>BD</sup></b>	<b>5,22<sup>D</sup></b>	<b>5,96<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>5,35<sup>CD</sup></b>	<b>5,19<sup>D</sup></b>	<b>5,22<sup>D</sup></b>	<b>5,75<sup>BC</sup></b>	<b>6,63<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>5,60</b>
F <sub>values</sub> : Year: 32,49* Loc: 59,34** Year×Loc: 107,91** Gen: 14,57** Year×Gen: 8,71** Loc×Gen: 15,44** Year×Loc×Gen: 10,95** C.V.(%): 27,35   L.S.D.(%): Year: 0,59 Loc: 0,79 Year×Loc: 1,12 Gen: 0,50 Year×Gen: 0,70 Loc×Gen: 0,70 Year×Loc×Gen: 0,99										
		Number of umbrella per plant								
		Genotypes								
Years	Locations	Kudret	Burdur	Gamze	Erbaa	Tokat	Pel-mus	Antalya	Arslan	Mean
2013	Eskişehir	5,87	4,80	7,23	8,07	6,93	5,17	6,23	7,63	6,49
	Isparta	11,73	11,20	13,73	11,40	12,87	11,33	12,00	12,93	12,15
	Mean	<b>8,80</b>	<b>8,00</b>	<b>10,48</b>	<b>9,73</b>	<b>9,90</b>	<b>8,25</b>	<b>9,12</b>	<b>10,28</b>	<b>9,32</b>
2014	Eskişehir	4,40	4,90	4,43	4,30	3,67	3,77	3,83	4,03	4,17
	Isparta	13,33	14,20	16,13	13,27	16,07	12,87	12,67	13,80	14,04
	Mean	<b>8,87</b>	<b>9,55</b>	<b>10,28</b>	<b>8,78</b>	<b>9,87</b>	<b>8,32</b>	<b>8,25</b>	<b>8,92</b>	<b>9,10</b>
As a Means of Years	Eskişehir	5,13	4,85	5,83	6,18	5,30	4,47	5,03	5,83	<b>5,33<sup>B</sup></b>
	Isparta	12,53	12,70	14,93	12,33	14,47	12,10	12,33	13,37	<b>13,10<sup>A</sup></b>
<b>Grand Mean</b>		<b>8,83<sup>BC</sup></b>	<b>8,78<sup>BC</sup></b>	<b>10,38<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>9,26<sup>AC</sup></b>	<b>9,88<sup>AB</sup></b>	<b>8,28<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>8,68<sup>BC</sup></b>	<b>9,60<sup>AC</sup></b>	<b>9,21</b>
F <sub>values</sub> : Year: 2,68ns Loc: 1588,52** Year×Loc: 117,06** Gen: 3,68** Year×Gen: 1,49ns Loc×Gen: 1,81ns Year×Loc×Gen: 0,94ns C.V.(%): 46,51   L.S.D.(%): Loc: 0,90 Year×Loc: 1,27 Gen: 1,38										

Table 3. Continued

1000 seed weight (g)										
Genotypes										
Years	Locations	Kudret	Burdur	Gamze	Erbaa	Tokat	Pel-mus	Antalya	Arslan	Mean
2013	Eskişehir	7,30	7,47	7,57	7,60	7,80	6,63	6,93	10,37	7,71
	Isparta	7,37	7,60	7,43	7,47	9,50	8,33	9,93	11,30	8,62
	Mean	<b>7,33</b>	<b>7,53</b>	<b>7,50</b>	<b>7,53</b>	<b>8,65</b>	<b>7,48</b>	<b>8,43</b>	<b>10,83</b>	<b>8,16<sup>a</sup></b>
2014	Eskişehir	6,97	5,83	6,77	6,77	6,83	5,87	5,83	9,00	6,73
	Isparta	6,40	6,70	7,30	6,87	8,80	6,47	7,10	9,23	7,36
	Mean	<b>6,68</b>	<b>6,27</b>	<b>7,03</b>	<b>6,82</b>	<b>7,82</b>	<b>6,17</b>	<b>6,48</b>	<b>9,12</b>	<b>7,05<sup>b</sup></b>
As a Means of Years	Eskişehir	7,13	6,65	7,17	7,18	7,32	6,25	6,38	9,68	7,22 <sup>B</sup>
	Isparta	6,88	7,15	7,37	7,17	9,15	7,40	8,51	10,27	7,99 <sup>A</sup>
<b>Grand Mean</b>		<b>7,01<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>6,90<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>7,27<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>7,18<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>8,23<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>6,83<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>7,45<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>9,98<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>7,60</b>
F <sub>values</sub> : Year: 73,82* Loc: 27,30** Year×Loc: 0,93ns Gen: 28,51** Year×Gen: 1,85ns Loc×Gen: 4,78** Year×Loc×Gen: 1,27ns C.V.(%): 18,78   L.S.D.(%): Year: 0,56 Loc: 0,68 Gen: 0,75 Loc×Gen: 1,05										
Seed yield (t ha <sup>-1</sup> )										
Genotypes										
Years	Locations	Kudret	Burdur	Gamze	Erbaa	Tokat	Pel-mus	Antalya	Arslan	Mean
2013	Eskişehir	1,33	0,83	1,67	0,97	1,10	1,20	1,07	1,63	1,23
	Isparta	1,47	1,14	1,33	1,06	0,83	0,96	0,86	0,95	1,08
	Mean	<b>1,40</b>	<b>0,99</b>	<b>1,50</b>	<b>1,02</b>	<b>0,96</b>	<b>1,08</b>	<b>0,96</b>	<b>1,29</b>	<b>1,15<sup>A</sup></b>
2014	Eskişehir	1,17	0,70	1,17	1,00	0,90	1,10	1,03	1,50	1,07
	Isparta	1,26	1,39	1,15	0,97	0,70	0,64	0,63	0,75	0,94
	Mean	<b>1,22</b>	<b>1,05</b>	<b>1,16</b>	<b>0,99</b>	<b>0,80</b>	<b>0,87</b>	<b>0,83</b>	<b>1,12</b>	<b>1,00<sup>B</sup></b>
As a Means of Years	Eskişehir	1,25	0,77	1,42	0,98	1,00	1,15	1,05	1,57	1,15 <sup>A</sup>
	Isparta	1,37	1,27	1,24	1,02	0,76	0,80	0,75	0,85	1,01 <sup>B</sup>
<b>Grand Mean</b>		<b>1,31<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>1,02<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>1,33<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>1,00<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>0,88<sup>D</sup></b>	<b>0,97<sup>CD</sup></b>	<b>0,90<sup>D</sup></b>	<b>1,21<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>1,08</b>
F <sub>values</sub> : Year: 132,33** Loc: 44,27** Year×Loc: 0,15ns Gen: 45,36** Year×Gen: 5,11** Loc×Gen: 46,54** Year×Loc×Gen: 4,65** C.V.(%): 26,19   L.S.D.(%): Year: 0,126 Loc: 0,098 Gen: 0,100 Year×Gen: 0,142 Loc×Gen: 0,142 Year×Loc×Gen: 0,200										
Essential oil content (%)										
Genotypes										
Years	Locations	Kudret	Burdur	Gamze	Erbaa	Tokat	Pel-mus	Antalya	Arslan	Mean
2013	Eskişehir	0,50	0,50	0,50	0,62	0,60	0,92	0,81	0,70	0,64
	Isparta	0,93	0,60	0,80	1,00	0,80	0,80	0,60	0,60	0,77
	Mean	<b>0,72</b>	<b>0,55</b>	<b>0,65</b>	<b>0,81</b>	<b>0,70</b>	<b>0,86</b>	<b>0,71</b>	<b>0,65</b>	<b>0,71<sup>A</sup></b>
2014	Eskişehir	0,40	0,43	0,47	0,50	0,50	0,75	0,67	0,58	0,54
	Isparta	0,60	0,50	0,50	0,63	0,57	0,53	0,40	0,43	0,52
	Mean	<b>0,50</b>	<b>0,47</b>	<b>0,48</b>	<b>0,57</b>	<b>0,53</b>	<b>0,64</b>	<b>0,53</b>	<b>0,51</b>	<b>0,53<sup>B</sup></b>
As a Means of Years	Eskişehir	0,45	0,47	0,48	0,56	0,55	0,84	0,74	0,64	<b>0,59<sup>B</sup></b>
	Isparta	0,77	0,55	0,65	0,82	0,68	0,67	0,50	0,52	<b>0,64<sup>A</sup></b>
<b>Grand Mean</b>		<b>0,61<sup>C</sup></b>	<b>0,51<sup>D</sup></b>	<b>0,57<sup>CD</sup></b>	<b>0,69<sup>AB</sup></b>	<b>0,62<sup>BC</sup></b>	<b>0,75<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>0,62<sup>BC</sup></b>	<b>0,58<sup>CD</sup></b>	<b>0,62</b>
F <sub>values</sub> : Year: 145,45** Loc: 22,71** Year×Loc: 39,19** Gen: 13,78** Year×Gen: 1,59ns Loc×Gen: 26,32** Year×Loc×Gen: 1,43ns C.V.(%): 27,27   L.S.D.(%): Year: 0,15 Loc: 0,05 Year×Loc: 0,07 Gen: 0,08 Loc×Gen: 0,11										
*, **: significant at P<0.05 and P<0.01 probability levels, respectively, ns: no significant.										

**Table 4.** Correlation matrix for characters of coriander genotypes.

	<b>Plant Height</b>	<b>No of Branches</b>	<b>No of umbrella</b>	<b>1000 seed we.</b>	<b>Seed Yield</b>
<b>No of Branches</b>	0,681**				
<b>No of umbrella</b>	0,839**	0,580**			
<b>1000 seed we.</b>	-0,316**	0,034ns	-0,170ns		
<b>Seed Yield</b>	-0,684**	0,423**	0,808**	0,167ns	
<b>Es. oil content</b>	-0,169ns	-0,195*	0,089ns	0,229*	-0,272**

1000 seed weight, one of the yield components is quantitative nature, for successful selection procedure. To achieve higher grain yield, sufficient information is necessary to evaluate the nature and magnitude of genetic variability present on the available coriander materials (Datta and Choudhuri, 2006). Table 3 indicated that differences between years, locations and genotypes, interactions between them were significant (Gul et al., 1997). The higher thousand seed weight values in 2013 and Isparta locations were taken. Moreover, the highest 1000 seed weight was taken from Arslan genotype while lowest one belonged to Pel-mus genotype. These results could have occurred because of the great differences in features of years, locations, large and significant variations in genotypic performances. Higher 1000 seed weight depends on the size of kernels (Islam et al., 2004). This assign that the genetic performance of plant for 1000 seed weight is formed under genotype  $\times$  environment interaction. 1000 seed weight was significant and positively correlated with essential oil content, whereas it was negatively and significantly correlated with plant height (Table 4). In stability analysis, Burdur and Gamze genotypes were the most stabile genotypes (Table 5 and Figure 1).

Genotypes with high yielding and oil content should be the main objective of any breeding programs in coriander. To achieve this, knowledge of the existing genetic variation for yield and its components requires. Seed yield and essential oil contents in the first year and Eskisehir location were higher than that of the second year and Isparta location. In seed yield, the highest seed yields were taken from Kudret and Gamze genotypes while lowest ones were belonged to Pel-mus, Tokat and Antalya genotypes. Differences on seed yield of Gamze, Erbaa and Tokat genotypes between locations in 2013 and 2014 were lower than that of the other genotypes. Besides, variations of genotypes in Eskisehir location in 2013 and 2014 were almost similar, but greater variations occurred on genotypes in Isparta location in both years (Telci et al. 2006). In essential oil content, Pel-mus and Erbaa genotypes had the highest essential oil content; moreover Burdur genotype had the lowest essential oil content. Genotypic responses in seed yield and essential oil content created significant differences in ecological differences in locations and years, and this situation should cause significant interactions between genotypes, location and years. Moniruzzaman et al. (2014) reported that

differences on seed yield in genotypes could strongly be the effect of genotypic differences and ecological variations. Similar to our findings, Dyulgerov and Dyulgerova (2013) stated that greater environmental variations occurred than if compared genotypic variations. This could mainly not only explain significant variations among years, locations and genotypes, but show significant importance of their interactions. Meena et al. (2013) stated that essential oil content was significant and positively correlated with thousand seed weight. Besides, variability, association among the traits and contributing of them to seed yield show great importance in executing successful breeding program (Sriti et al., 2009). Oil contents in plants relatively decreases or draw straight line with increasing seed yield (Bhuiyan et al., 2009). Similarly, negative and significant interaction between essential oil content and seed yield ( $p < 0,01$ ) contribute information inverse relationship of essential oil content and seed yield (Toncer et al., 1998). Meanwhile, correlation between plant height and seed yield, number of branches and essential oil content were found as negative and significant; and positive and significant relationship between 1000 seed weight and essential oil content, seed yield and number of branches were determined (Table 4). Stability analysis revealed that Erbaa and Gamze genotypes in seed yield, and Gamze, Pelmus and Erbaa genotypes were the most stabile genotypes (Table 5 and Figure 1).

## CONCLUSION

Coriander crop has been used for different industrial purposes and successful seed production mainly depends on use of healthy crop, more productive, higher quality and resistant to diseases and pests (Kaya et al., 2000 and Singh *et al.*, 2006). In our study, coriander genotypes were evaluated in climatic conditions of Eskisehir and Isparta provinces. Results revealed that years and locations with different climatic and geographic characters had significant effects in coriander genotypes for yield, yield components and essential oil content. Increase in seed yield and decrease in essential oil content occurred with increasing rainfall. Results revealed that Arslan cultivar in Eskisehir location and Kudret in Isparta location had the highest seed yield. Besides Arslan cultivar and Gamze cultivar gave the highest seed yield as a means of locations; Eskisehir location had also higher seed yield. Breeding programs should have intensive care in development of novel cultivars.

**Table 5.** Stability parameters of coriander genotypes for seed yield, yield components and essential oil content.

Genotype	Plant height				Number of branches				Number of umbrella			
	Reg. Coef. $b_i$	St.Dev.from regression $S^2di$	Ecovalance $\delta^2_i$	Shukla Variance $\delta^2_i$	Reg. Coef. $b_i$	St.Dev.from Regression $S^2di$	Ecovalance $\delta^2_i$	Shukla Variance $\delta^2_i$	Reg. Coef. $b_i$	St.Dev.from Regression $S^2di$	Ecovalance $\delta^2_i$	Shukla Variance $\delta^2_i$
Kudret	0,88	0,1	16,81	4,84	1,37	0,30	1,36	0,47	0,94	0,10	0,55	0,12
Burdur	0,79	4,0	63,37	25,53	0,60	0,50	1,89	0,70	0,98	1,80	3,56	1,46
Gamze	0,97	25,6	52,45	20,68	1,55	0,40	2,56	1,00	1,18	0,00	2,02	0,77
Erbaa	0,91	1,5	12,80	3,06	0,43	0,40	2,62	1,03	0,83	0,09	3,65	1,50
Tokat	1,17	8,1	50,35	19,75	0,23	0,20	3,81	1,56	1,20	0,30	3,26	1,32
Pel-mus	1,28	17,5	131,88	55,98	0,99	0,10	0,11	-0,08	0,96	0,20	0,51	0,10
Antalya	0,99	0,0	0,34	-2,48	1,26	0,90	2,26	0,87	0,93	0,30	0,97	0,31
Arslan	1,02	1,7	3,75	-0,97	1,57	0,20	2,32	0,90	0,98	0,70	1,39	0,49

Genotype	1000 Seed weight				Seed yield				Essential oil content			
	Reg. Coef. $b_i$	St.Dev.from Regression $S^2di$	Ecovalance $\delta^2_i$	Shukla Variance $\delta^2_i$	Reg. Coef. $b_i$	St.Dev.from Regression $S^2di$	Ecovalance $\delta^2_i$	Shukla Variance $\delta^2_i$	Reg. Coef. $b_i$	St.Dev.from Regression $S^2di$	Ecovalance $\delta^2_i$	Shukla Variance $\delta^2_i$
Kudret	0,31	0,20	1,28	0,50	1,40	118,40	128232,86	52511,37	1,63	0,10	0,07	0,03
Burdur	0,94	0,20	0,35	0,09	1,30	48068,60	168725,07	70507,91	0,52	0,09	0,01	0,00
Gamze	0,34	0,10	0,97	0,36	1,23	331,30	43755,42	14965,84	1,16	0,03	0,02	0,00
Erbaa	0,42	0,10	0,84	0,30	1,03	778,70	2155,48	-3523,02	1,14	0,04	0,05	0,02
Tokat	1,25	0,60	1,29	0,51	0,75	213,40	51434,65	18378,83	1,06	0,02	0,01	0,00
Pel-mus	1,31	0,10	0,35	0,09	0,78	11432,90	61423,66	22818,39	0,85	0,03	0,05	0,02
Antalya	2,13	0,40	3,12	1,32	0,73	3836,20	67083,59	25333,92	0,51	0,06	0,09	0,04
Arslan	1,30	0,10	0,44	0,13	0,78	2221,00	41797,14	14095,49	0,52	0,08	0,03	0,01

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