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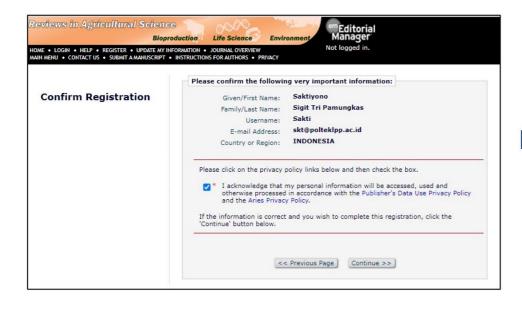
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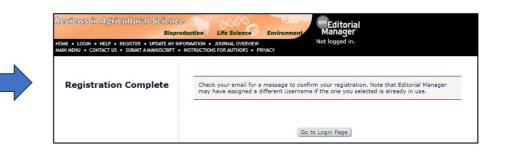
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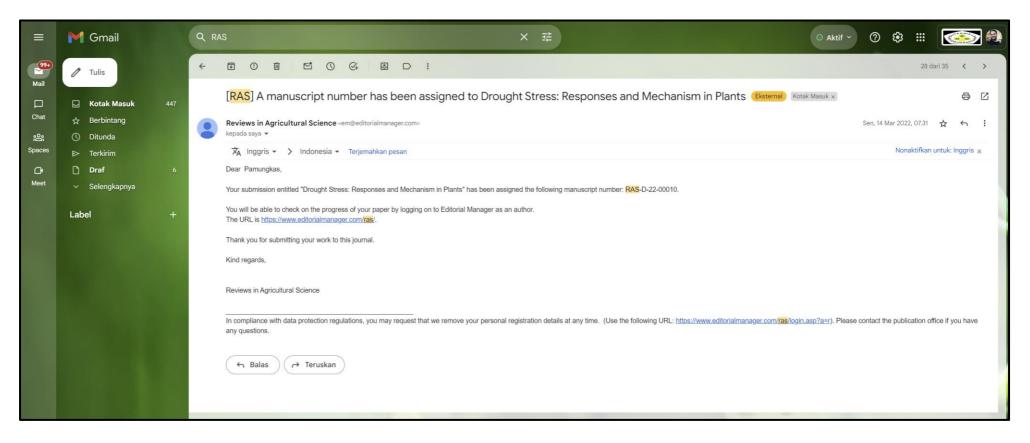
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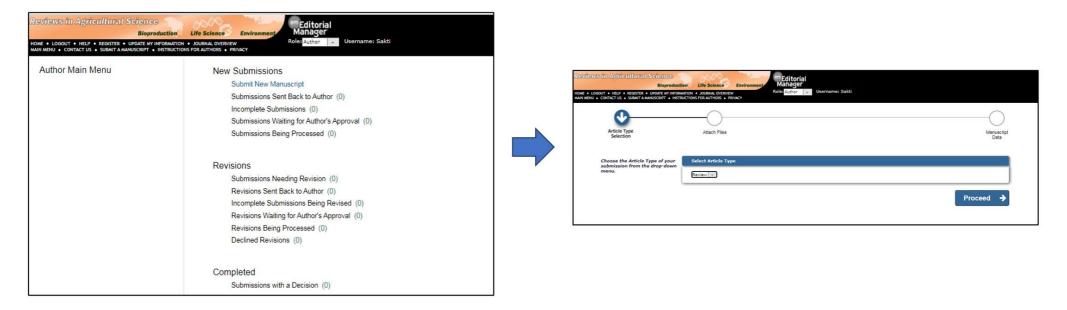
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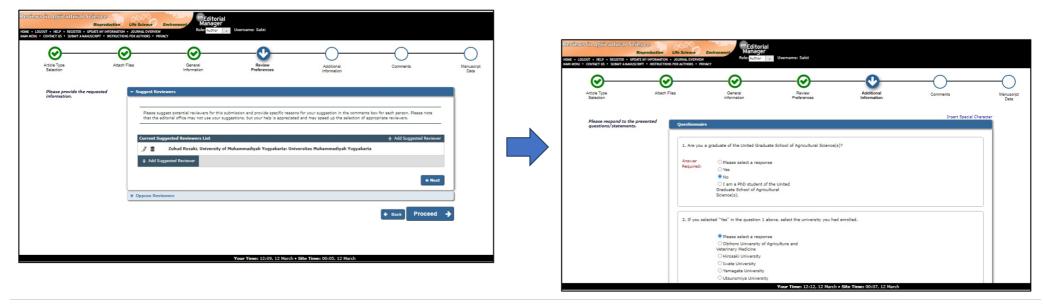
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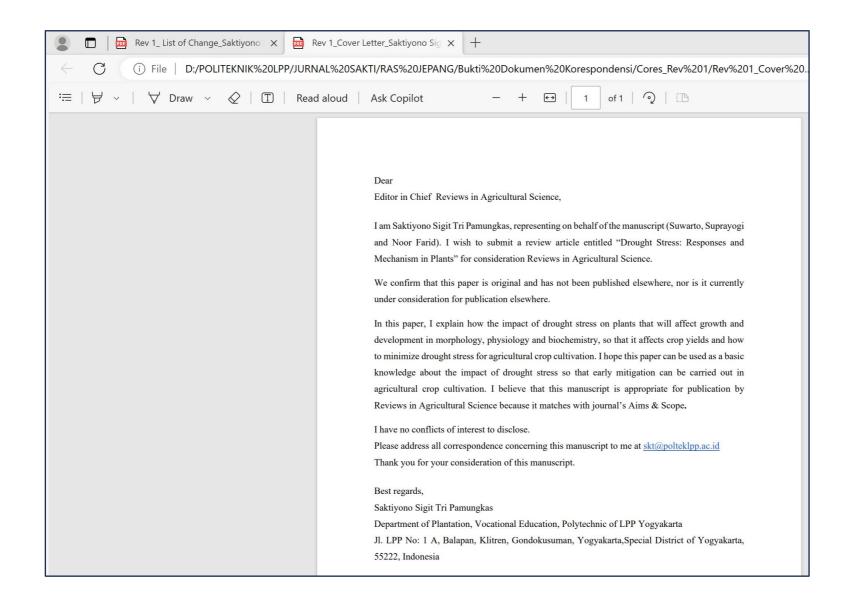
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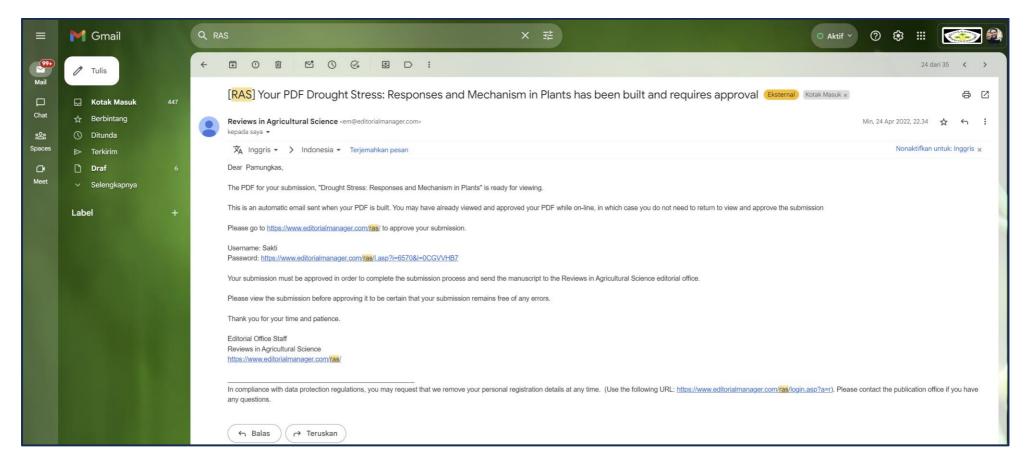
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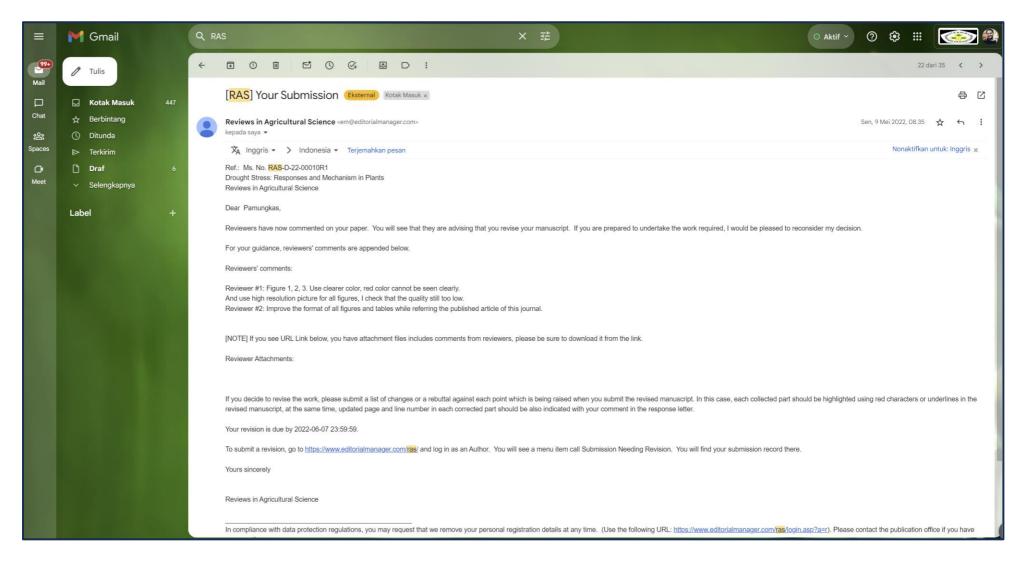




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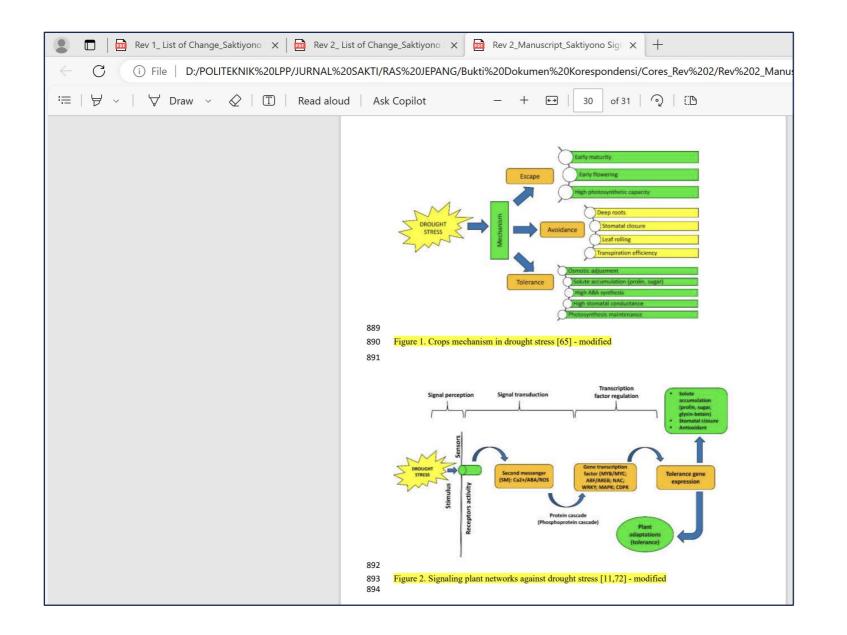
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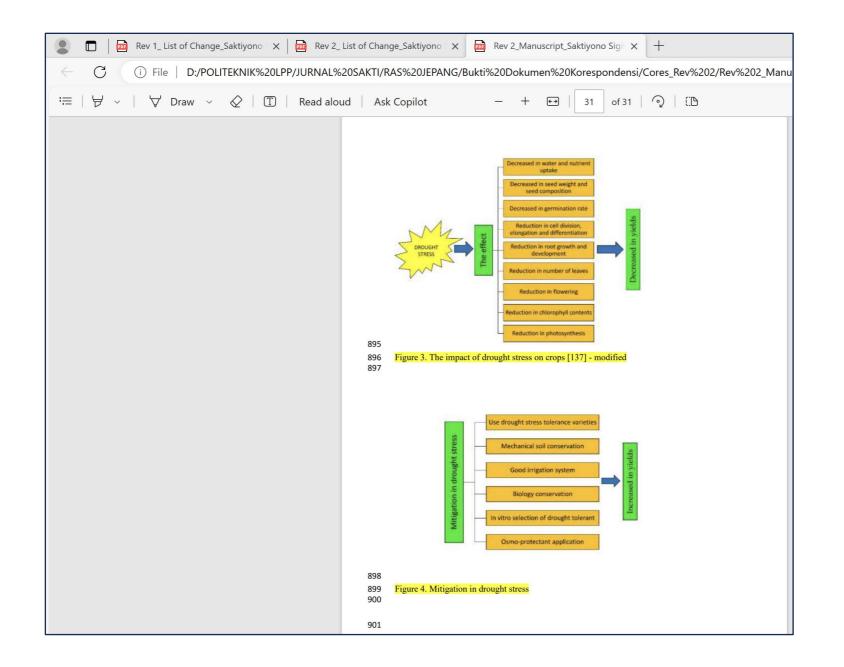


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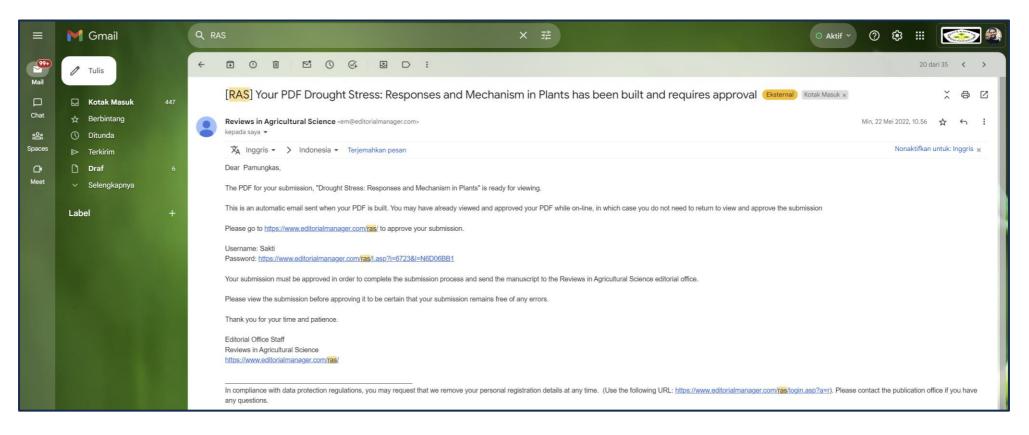
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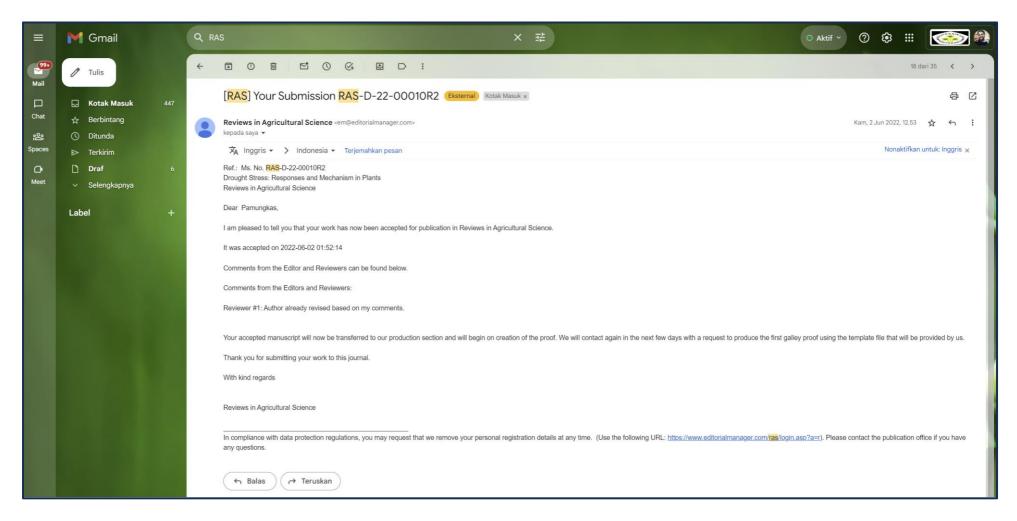


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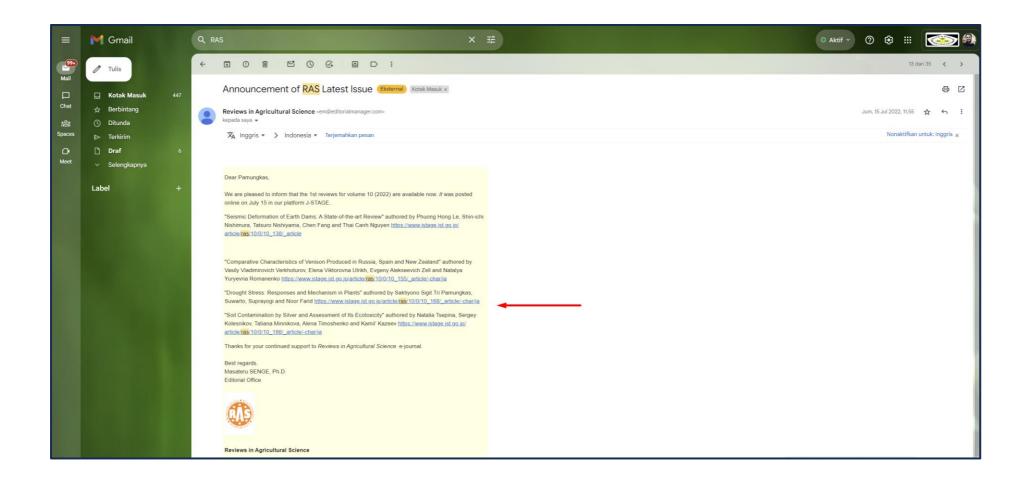
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53 Introduction

54 The aims of this article is to give information on the effects of drought stress on plant 55 morphology, physiology, and biochemistry, as well as mitigation methods in drought stress management for plant production. Water is a vital requirement for the survival of plants. Plant 56 57 tissues are composed mostly of these, which is about 80% to 95%, predominantly found in the 58 cytoplasm and vacuoles [1]. However, some tissues have a content is about 10-15%, one of 59 which is dormant seeds [2]. Water is a major factor in plant growth since it is needed by plants to carry out physiological processes [3]. In plants, these is the main molecule that makes up 60 61 protoplasm (cytoplasm, nucleus, and organelles) [4]. Besides that these is a solvent for 62 dissolved substances in cells. If water is used as a solvent for acidic or alkaline components, it 63 will be positively charged (K^+ , Ca^{++} , NH_4^+) or negatively charged (NO_3^- , SO_3^- , HPO_4^-), 64 respectively. The functions of these as a medium for metabolic and physiological reactions in 65 plants, in which metabolic and physiological activities can decrease when there is a lack of 66 water and also plays a role as a medium for transporting essential nutrients and minerals from the soil so that a lack of water can reduce the rate of nutrient uptake from the soil by roots [5]. 67 These is also one of the main factors determining plant production related to biomass production 68 and transpiration rate [6]. Water will affect cell turgidity, thereby affecting the process of 69 70 opening and closing stomata. The conversion of sunlight will be reduced if the stomata are closed, which will affect the photosynthesis results [7]. These is also affects transpiration in 71 72 plants, in which more water will increase the transpiration rate and vice versa [8].

73 Plants will always be exposed to various stress conditions, including biotic stresses such as 74 pests, pathogens, viruses, nematodes [9], and abiotic stresses, namely drought, water saturation, 75 temperature, and salinity . One of the stresses influencing the growth and yield of cultivated 76 plants is drought [10]. According to the agronomic point of view, drought is defined as the relationship between moisture and water availability in the soil. These absorption and dissolved 77 78 mineral nutrients decrease when there is a lack in the soil [12]. Disruption in the absorption 79 process disrupts metabolic processes, impacting plant physiological and morphological 80 functions, which can affect yields [11]. Drought occurs due to climate change and soil type. All 81 regions in the world with a share of seawater will experience El Nino, a condition in which the 82 sea surface temperature (SML) warms up, resulting in a long drought that decreases the water availability, which is predicted to affect the rate of evapotranspiration [13]. In Indonesia, in the 83 range of 2019, El Nino had an impact on the expansion of dryland areas almost three times 84 85 compared to that in 2017 [14]. The characteristics of soil types are very diverse [15], so the ability of the soil to hold water in field capacity varies according to the soil texture [16,17].

- Sandy soil type can hold water about 2.1 in/ft, clay can hold these around 3.8 in/ft, while clay
 soils can hold these around 4.4 in/ft [18].
- In the soil these is divided into four types, including chemical, hygroscopic, capillary, and 89 groundwater [19]. Chemical water located in the soil surface that still contains chemicals (from 90 91 rain) and is a type of soil that is not available to plants. Hyproscopic is strongly bound by the 92 soil (permeates). Capillary fills the capillary pores (infiltration) in the soil with a greater cohesive force than the adhesion force on soil particles, making it available to plants. Whereas 93 94 groundwater can continue to fall to the bottom layer due to the influence of gravity 95 (percolation). Available of these is defined as the condition or difference between the amount 96 of the field capacity and the amount of the wilting point [20]. Field capacity is the amount of 97 capillary in the soil, while the wilting point is the amount of hygroscopic water in the soil that 98 makes water unavailable [21].

99 Water Deficit

100 The ideal soil composition consists of 45% mineral content, 25% water, 25% air, and 5% 101 organic matter [22,23]. This condition will stabilize the water tension at field capacity (pF) on the soil, stabilizing the force of attraction between water molecules (cohesion) and between 102 103 water molecules and soil particles (adhesion) becomes. If cohesion is stronger than adhesion, 104 the water can't be bound by soil pores [24,25]. In addition to being influenced by the adhesive 105 power, the soil's ability to bind water also depends on the type of soil. The higher the clay 106 content of the soil, the lower the adhesion force, causing a low pF value, resulting in water 107 saturation so that water is not available. On the other hand, low cohesion will result in a high 108 pF value, which in turn causes a water deficit [26,27]. Besides being influenced by pF, it is also 109 influenced by water potential [28,29]. At a pressure of 0 Mpa, the soil is saturated with water, 110 while -0.33 Mpa at field capacity conditions and -1.5 to -3 Mpa is the permanent wilting point 111 [30,31]. In addition to the influence of pressure, according to Easton [23] and Datta et al. [32], the volume of water in the soil also depends on the type of soil to bind water so that it will 112 113 determine water saturation (sand: 39%, clay: 50%, clay: 54%), field capacity (sand: 8-10%, clay: 20-35%, clay: 36-49%) and permanent wilting point (sand: 4%, clay: 9%, clay: 29%). A 114 high pF value will lead to high percolation, resulting in water loss and a low groundwater 115 116 potential. Otherwise, a low pF value causes low water holding capacity with the soil pores 117 (adhesion), resulting in low groundwater potential.

In drought conditions, plants will lack water in the rhizosphere (around plant roots), decreasing groundwater potential (Ψ_w) and increasing osmotic potential in plant cells (Ψ_s), which decrease plant cell turgor pressure (Ψ_p) (-) [33,34]. Such conditions must be balanced by maintaining cell turgor pressure to remain in a positive condition. Turgor pressure (Ψ_p) that has a positive value depends on the ability of plant cells to balance the value of Ψ_w and the value of Ψ_s with a certain scheme. This condition is called osmotic adjustment in plant cells (osmotic adjustment), shown in an equation of $\Psi_w = \Psi_s + \Psi_p$ [35,36].

Turgor pressure affects the shape, reaction, and cell changes in plants. Water deficit in grains 125 126 (barley and corn) was reported to decrease cell turgor pressure [37,38]. Under decreased 127 turgidity, water molecules leave the cell. If water continues to leave the cell, the cell loses 128 flexibility, resulting in wilting [39]. To prevent water from leaving the cell, the cell applies an 129 osmoregulation mechanism to maintain the turgor pressure remains positive (+). If transpiration 130 continues to occur, while the water absorption process continues to decrease, the cell is no 131 longer able to maintain turgidity, other than wilting, if the plant is unable to recover, the plant 132 may die [40]. Water deficit in plants can affect morphology and physiology. At the morphological level, water deficit will cause the leaves to wither, the leaves to shrink, curling 133 134 leaves, the small number of leaves, the elongated roots [41,42], and early flowering [43]. At the 135 physiological level, it can disrupt metabolism, thereby affecting crop yields. The metabolic process is characterized by the formation of compounds in response to drought conditions, such 136 as sugar [44,45], glycine-betaine [46,47], proline [48,49], and ABA [50,51]. 137

138 Drought Responses

139 Drought causes plants to experience an increase in osmotic pressure, resulting in a decrease in 140 cell turgor pressure. If the drought continues beyond the limit of permanent wilting, the plant 141 may suffer damage and death [40,53]. As a form of anticipation, plants carry out certain 142 mechanisms to keep physiological and metabolic processes running. Drought causes water 143 deficit in plants, affecting their morphology [54]. There are three levels of water deficit, consisting of mild drought stress (lower water deficit), moderate drought stress (middle water 144 145 deficit) when the water potential decreases, and severe drought stress (higher water deficit). 146 Mild, moderate, and severe drought stress occurs when the water potential decreases to 0.1 147 MPa, up to 1.2 Mpa to 1.5 Mpa, and more than 1.5 MPa, respectively. This condition can 148 decrease the relative water content (RWC) in plants, for example, leaves. Moderate to severe 149 drought stress can decrease relative water content RWC in teak [55]. The decrease in RWC in 150 soybean plants can reduce the water potential in the leaves [56]. In tomatoes, a decrease in 151 RWC can affect fruit weight and the amount of chlorophyll in leaves [57]. Mild, moderate, and 152 severe drought stress will reduce RWC by about 8-10%, 10-20%, and more than 20%, 153 consecutively. The continuous severe drought stress will disrupt the physiological processes of 154 the plant. Disruption of plant physiological processes ultimately results in decreased yields of 155 several crops (tomato, corn, potato, rice, and wheat) [58-68].

156 Adaptation Strategy

157 According to Rini et al. [11], plants respond to drought stress by three mechanisms (escape, avoidance, and tolerance). Drought escape is a form of plant adaptation to drought stress by 158 159 accelerating the generative phase. In this condition, the plant stops the vegetative phase and 160 tries to produce seeds before drought stops its life cycle [69]. Wheat plants accelerate the 161 generative phase and terminate vegetative growth to minimize water loss [70]. This strategy is 162 common for plants to complete their life cycle as long as the environment is still possible before 163 facing drought. In Arabidopsis plants, this strategy is carried out by using water efficiently for 164 growth [71]. These mechanisms include early flowering and harvest age, as well as plant 165 plasticity [72]. Drought avoidance is an adaptation of plants to maintain water availability under stress conditions, keeping the water potential in cells remains high. One of the common 166 167 morphological indications is its effect on root elongation [11,73]. In potato plants, this strategy 168 is indicated by the elongation of roots and differences in the number of shoots [74]. Differences 169 in root morphology in Arabidopsis are used to increase water uptake so that the water content 170 in the tissue remains balanced [75]. The physiological effects that occur may be a decrease in 171 the rate of transpiration and a decrease in the area of transpiration, such as small leaf and a small number of leaves [76]. Drought tolerance is a condition for plants to survive despite 172 173 experiencing drought stress (water deficit) [11].

174 Stress Signal Mechanisms

Plants respond to drought stress in the form of a sign, called signal perception (SP), due to the introduction of a stimulus to stress conditions. This signal begins with a disturbance in the balance of the cell wall so that signal activation will occur in the form of protein molecules [11] [72]. The difficulty of roots in absorbing water can provide a signal by modifying the cell membrane so as not to lose cell turgidity [77]. SP is assisted by components in the form of smaller molecules, such as diacylglycerol (DAG) and phosphatidic acids (PA), which are

referred to as second messengers (SM) that will transmit SP as a form of stress signal in plants 181 182 before signal transduction (ST) occurs [11]. Drought will cause changes in osmotic pressure in 183 cells so that SP will stimulate the hydraulic signal (HS) in plant cells by trying to increase 184 dissolved materials so that water does not leave the cell. HS in Arabidopsis plants is initiated 185 by the AHK1 kinase (protein) compound, which functions as an osmo-sensor in the plant cell 186 membrane layer [78]. Osmo-sensors in Arabidopsis plants are associated with calcium channels called hyperosmolality gated calcium-permeable channels (OSCA) that allow Ca²⁺ influx 187 processes in cell membranes [79]. In addition to another OSCA, there is another osmo-sensor 188 189 called MSL (mechanism sensitive like ion channels). MSL is an osmo-sensor found in plant cell membranes affecting the process of K⁺ influx [80]. Another osmo-sensor found in plant 190 191 cell membranes is receptor-like protein kinase (RLKs) which play an important role in inducing 192 abscisic acid (ABA) as a signal form against drought stress [81].

193 After exposure to drought stimulates SP assisted by SM, the next step is ST initiation. ST is a 194 protein kinase molecule that is a series of signals in plants experiencing abiotic stress, including 195 drought, to stimulate certain protein kinases in response to stress [11]. Mitogen-activated 196 protein kinase (MAPK) and Calcium-dependent protein kinase (CDPK) are types of ST in 197 plants connected to target molecules in the MAPK cascade system, functioning as ST in the 198 phosphorylase and dephosphorylation processes [82]. In cotton and arabidopsis plants, MAPK 199 is found in leaf cell membranes and affects the regulation of stomata and growth (length) of 200 plant roots [83,84]. MAPK interaction with sucrose nonfermenting related protein kinase-1 (SnRK1) also affects carbohydrate metabolism to be converted into simpler molecules during 201 drought stress [85]. CDPK is an ST formed due to the influx of Ca^{2++} in plant cell membranes 202 203 that affect ABA regulation and stomata regulation in potato plant leaves [86]. In strawberries, 204 CDPK is identified on cell membranes in the form of FaCDPK appearing in the fruit ripening 205 phase under drought stress conditions. This FaCDPK causes an increase in ABA in strawberry 206 fruit [87]. In soybean plants, CDPK is identified as GmCDPK3, which can lead to an increase 207 in proline and chlorophyll. This condition increases plant resistance to drought conditions [88]. 208 In addition to MAPK and CDPK, drought stress leads to the production of ROS compounds in 209 the form of hydroxyl peroxide (H_2O_2) and singlet oxygen (O_2^{-}), which decrease the amount of 210 chlorophyll, thereby forcing plants to form antioxidant compounds, one of which is proline [89]. High ROS compounds can cause oxidative stress so that cells can die. Therefore, cells 211 212 respond by activating antioxidant enzymes to prevent cell damage [90].

213 **Physiological Effects and Mechanisms**

Plant growth and development are related to cell division, elongation, and differentiation, which 214 depend on water availability [91-93]. In 15 wheat genotypes, water deficit can reduce yields by 215 216 20% to 25% [94]. Moderate and severe water drought stress will increase the dry weight of 217 wheat grain per 1000 grains by 1.95% to 2.07% as a result of the starch formation response 218 [95]. There is no significant reduction in the yield of quinoa plants under drought stress. 219 However, there is an increase in the amount of proline, glutamine, Na, K, and ABA and a 220 decrease in the stomatal opening, thereby reducing transpiration [96]. Water deficit in rice 221 plants is a limiting factor that can reduce yields up to 25.4% and affect root length as a strategy 222 to deal with drought stress [97]. In some plants, water deficit inhibits flower formation [98] 223 [99]. The conclusion is that water deficit can inhibit flowering, increase the number of solutes 224 and reduce yields in plants.

225 Water deficit causes plants to carry out physiological responses by reducing transpiration, 226 closing stomata, and reducing the number of leaves [11,72,73]. In tomato plants, a decrease in 227 the rate of photosynthesis is due to a lack of water and a high rate of respiration, resulting in 228 the efficient use of water [100]. The stomatal closure to suppress the transpiration rate is related 229 to the efficiency of photosynthesis. In photosynthesis, the efficiency of light absorption and 230 transformation is determined by chlorophyll fluorescence and electron transport [101]. Low 231 light absorption by chlorophyll can result in low light waves, decreasing the CO₂ and energy 232 absorbed [102,103]. The decrease in CO₂ uptake in canola and wheat plants can reduce the rate 233 of photosynthesis and ultimately reduce biomass in production [104]. Water deficit leads to the 234 production of radical compounds called ROS. If there is no balance between the rate of photosynthesis, the production of antioxidant compounds can be inhibited, as illustrated in the 235 236 research on canola plants [105]. The decrease in the rate of photosynthesis is also influenced 237 by the ABA response as a signal of drought stress, which results in regulation of stomatal 238 closure [106,107]. ABA is formed in roots and transported to leaves to signal and regulate 239 stomatal closure due to lack of water stimulated by certain genes such as NPF4.6 and DTX5.0 240 [108]. A further impact is the reduction of CO2 for photosynthesis. The decrease in the CO₂ 241 carboxylation process and the closing of stomata due to abiotic stress can reduce the rate of 242 photosynthesis, decreasing the number of functional Ribulose 1.5 bisphosphate carboxylae oxygenase (RuBisCo) in photosynthesis [109]. The conclusion is that drought stress causes 243 244 morphological and physiological responses in plants. Morphological responses occur in root 245 elongation, leaf size, and the number of leaves. Physiologically roots can respond by transporting ABA to regulate stomatal closure to reduce evaporation. Closure of stomata resultsin low CO₂ absorption, causing the photosynthesis process to be not optimal.

248 The general response of plants to water deficit is to close their stomata, which is beneficial to 249 reduce water loss [110,111]. In addition, water deficit can affect hydraulic conductivity due to 250 hydraulic signals, gas exchange, water potential, and ABA determination in leaves (stomata) 251 [107]. In wheat, stomatal conductivity results in transpiration efficiency, which is influenced 252 by leaf transpiration and assimilation rate [112]. Water loss during the vegetative phase causes soybean plants to balance water potential (osmotic adjustment) by dropping leaves, reducing 253 254 leaf size, closing stomata, and folding leaves for water usage efficiency through transpiration 255 reduction, however this reduces leaf area index (LAI) and so reduces photosynthetic rate [113]. 256 The stomatal closure is a plant response to drought stress, which can decrease transpiration and 257 photosynthesis rate. However, this regulation is a complex mechanism interconnected between 258 external (water availability) and internal (ABA response) factors.

259 The photosynthesis process is influenced by the activity of supporting enzymes, one of which 260 is RuBisCo. RuBisCo plays a role in photosynthesis, namely photosystem II [114]. Under 261 drought stress, the amount of light absorption is small, decreasing the activity of RuBisCo [115] 262 [116]. Drought stress is often accompanied by an increase in temperature, resulting in 263 photoinhibition, which can impair RuBisCo's ability to activate the photosystem II pathway 264 [117]. This decrease occurs because the CO₂ carboxylase process by RuBisCo is not optimal 265 [72]. Drought stress inhibits the RuBisCo enzyme, which can lead to a reduction in carboxylate 266 assimilation. Hence, the regeneration of RuBP will ultimately inhibit the rate of photosystem II 267 [118]. High temperatures and drought stress in rice, wheat, and corn restrict RuBisCo function by inhibiting the RuBisCo activase enzyme, which can reduce photosynthetic optimization 268 269 [114]. Photosynthetic products are usually transported to parts of the plant. However, in drought 270 conditions, there is a change in carbohydrate translocation in plants so that limited 271 carbohydrates are translocated to places contributing to resisting drought stress [119,45]. 272 Carbohydrates are translocated in the form of simple components to maintain osmotic balance, 273 which is in roots are used for morphological growth to increase water uptake and ABA induction [120]. Increasing the amount of carbohydrates in plant parts during the vegetative and 274 275 generative phases is a method used by plants to survive under drought stress [121].

The plants' response to drought stress is to maintain osmotic balance in cells [69,122]. One of the mechanism to maintain this balance is to form soluble compounds to hold water out of the 278 cell (compatible solute) [123,124]. In addition, these soluble compounds are antioxidant 279 compounds that protect cell membranes from damage caused by ROS, one of which is proline 280 [47,125-127]. Proline and glycine-betaine are used as antioxidants and cell membrane 281 protection from radical compounds (ROS) [128]. High proline in the leaves of rice, soybean, 282 and sugarcane plantlets is a physiological indication of plants to resist water deficit 283 [48,129,125]. In wheat cv. Chakwal 50, the proline content increased as a result of drought 284 stress, indicating an osmotic adjustment process in cells in addition to free radical scavengers 285 [130]. The presence of proline in soybean plants can increase water stress resistance and 286 stabilize protein structure [131]. Proline is used as an indicator in drought-tolerant plants so that 287 it is used as the basis for breeding drought-resistant transgenic plants [132]. Proline, in 288 chloroplasts, is a synthesis of glutamate, which is reduced to glutamate semialdehyde (GSA) 289 by the P5CS enzyme (encoded by two genes) and converted spontaneously to P5C (encoded by 290 one gene) [126]. In mitochondria, proline undergoes catabolism with the help of proline oxidase 291 (PDH) to form P5C, which is then converted to glutamate [123].

292 In simple terms, the water balance in plants can be described as the equal amount of water 293 coming out (transpiration) and water coming in (absorption). The imbalance condition will 294 interfere with plant physiology, causing plants to experience stress [133]. In relation to 295 physiological processes, drought stress is related to turgor pressure, stomatal opening, 296 photosynthetic rate, enzyme damage, and root density [72]. plant growth due to low CO2 297 absorption [134]. The direct inhibiting factor for plant growth is not water potential but osmotic 298 potential and turgor pressure [135,136]. The influence of turgor pressure can result in osmotic 299 adjustments in plants to reduce water loss [137]. Plants regulate water balance by generating 300 phytohormones, such as ABA, through their roots. ABA is a plant mediator in response to 301 drought, which is synthesized mostly in roots [138,108,139]. ABA is said to be the main 302 internal signal allowing plants to resist drought, which is transported to the leaves to affect 303 stomata closure to reduce transpiration [140,141,42]. ABA is a simple sequence of carotenoid 304 compounds. In fungi, ABA is synthesized through the metileritritol phosphate (MEV) pathway, 305 which begins with the formation of mevalonate. Meanwhile, ABA in plants is synthesized 306 through the MEP pathway, starting with the formation of carotenoids into more specific 307 compounds (zeaxanthin) [139]. Assisted by the zeaxanthin epoxidase (ZEP), zeaxanthin is 308 converted to violaxanthin and turned to neoxanthin. In Arabidopsis, the gene involved in this 309 process is ABA4. Neoxanthin will be converted into xanthine with NCEDs enzymes as activators (found in arabidopsis, corn, tomatoes, cowpea, and grains). In maize, the gene 310

involved is known to be VIP14. Xanthine is converted to abscisic aldehyde and then to ABA.The genes involved in this process are ABA2 and ABA3 in Arabidopsis plants and TaNAC48

in wheat [142].

314 ABA formed in the roots is transported to the leaves and the flowers. NCED2 and NECD3 315 proteins are known to play a more dominant role in the synthesis of ABA in roots, while 316 NCED5, NCED6, and NCED9 are more dominant in the flowering part. Apart from being an 317 early signal of drought that will be transported to the leaves, ABA will also affect the growth of stressed plant roots by increasing water influx by the roots [143]. ABA transport to the leaves 318 319 occurs with enzymes (such as CLE25) as activators. When ABA reaches the leaves, it becomes 320 a signal for stomata to close [144]. Stomatal closure can be beneficial to reduce transpiration 321 [145,146], but the rate of photosynthesis will decrease, photorespiration will increase, and the 322 accumulation of ROS compounds will increase [147]. The ABA-mediated gene for stomatal 323 closure in wheat is TaNAC48 [142]. When the stomata close, there is a lack of CO₂. The excess 324 O_2 from photosynthesis is bound by RuBisCo molecules, and some of these compounds can 325 form ROS chemicals. RuBisCo should be able to bind CO2 absorbed from PEP (in C4 plants). 326 With the decrease in the amount of CO2, the O2 bound by RuBisCo can produce CO2, but more 327 energy (ATP) is required, thereby reducing the efficiency of photosynthesis. When the stomata 328 are closed, there will be a buildup of singlet oxygen (O^{-}) and hydroxide compounds (H_2O_2) as 329 a result of photosynthesis, forming toxic ROS compounds. This condition is anticipated by 330 forming direct antioxidant compounds (carotenoids, mannitol) and antioxidant enzymatic reactions, such as SOP, APX, and CAT, which can convert ROS compounds into O2 and H2O 331 332 [90,148,149,76]. However, severe and long-duration stress causes an imbalance between ROS 333 and antioxidants. If the ROS is higher than the antioxidant, it will attack the fatty acids on the 334 membrane (PUFAs) so that the cell membrane will be damaged, and if the plant cannot adapt, 335 the plant will be sensitive and die [150]. The increase in ROS compounds that are not matched 336 by an increase in antioxidant compounds and other solute compounds causes membrane 337 damage to plant cell walls and other responses such as proline formation and an increase in 338 reaction enzymes such as SOP, APX, and CAT [76].

Plants such as tomato plants [151], sunflower plants [152], sugarcane [153] respond to drought
stress by forming compatible solutes, namely sugars with low molecular weights that are
osmoprotectant compounds (stress protecting agents) [154]. Regarding the function of
trehalose, there are at least two supporting theories. The first theory is water replacement

because it can form hydrogen bonds with surrounding structural molecules that function as a 343 344 substitute for water, for example, trehalose with lipid molecules will function as membrane 345 integrity guards during drought stress (changes in the membrane from a fluid phase to a gel 346 phase). The second theory is water entrapment since it can play a role in collecting water by 347 forming hydrogen bonds to form a water layer in the cell [155]. Trehalose is a disaccharide 348 group formed from the breakdown of carbohydrates into two glucose molecules [156]. Plants 349 under drought stress will increase ABA synthesis, playing a role in stomatal closure and 350 stimulating signal transduction by forming a protein cascade, namely TPS1 protein. This 351 protein will activate transcriptional genes such as the TreGP gene (TGP), which will play a role 352 in the formation of trehalose as a compatible solute in cells that supports osmotic adjustment in 353 cells [156,157].

354 Drought Stress Management

355 Drought stress has an impact on agriculture crop cultivation, thereby decreasing crop 356 production. Therefore, it is necessary in these condition to require management to increase crop 357 production. These condition has management variations so that appropriate strategies and technologies are needed as mitigation measures. Mitigation management can be done by:1) Use 358 early maturing varieties and drought stress tolerance varieties. The use of early maturing to 359 facing drought stress can be used to increase crop index (CI) and it will maintain high yields 360 361 [158]. Drought tolerance varieties can respond and induces expression of drouht stress related 362 genes so that the plant will survive in these conditions [159]. 2) using mechanical soil 363 conservation such as making terraces and bed planting which are used to suppress surface water 364 flow and hold back puddles. The terraces are supported and can help in binding soil particles and also to bind water longer whereas bed planting can enhances the water infiltration rate and 365 366 can maintain mouisture conditions [160]. 3) applying a good irrigation system. Drought and water scarcity conditions need irrigation management, this should be seen within supply and 367 368 demand management for plant [161]. 4) biological conservation using mulch to improve soil structure and to increase the ability of the soil to hold water. Mulching is one of the important 369 370 management practice for conserving soil moisture in plants cultivation. That evaporates from soil with mulch will be condenses on the lower surfaces and go back to the soil thus conserving 371 372 moisture [162]. 5) selecting drought-tolerant plants both in vitro and in vivo by using selector 373 agents such as PEG. The in vitro screening using PEG-6000 is an alternative for the early 374 selection of drought tolerance varieties, it is known through gene markers of varieties that are

- 375 considered optimal growth in drought stress [163]. 6) applying osmo-protectant compounds,
- 376 such as glycine betaine. Glycine betaine exogenous application can reducing the aggregation
- 377 of ROS, that can improving SOD and CAT activities which will result in an osmotic adjustment
- 378 mechanism [164].

379 Conclusion

- 380 Drought stress causes plant to be in a state of water deficit. Water deficit has an impact on cell 381 division, cell elongation, cell differentiation, and a decrease in CO_2 fixation so that it can reduce 382 photosynthetic results and the accumulation of ROS compounds, thereby decreasing crop 383 production. These condition stimulates plants responses through morphological and 384 physiological changes. Mitigation management can be done by several ways such as use 385 tolerance varieties (early maturing), soil conservation, good irrigation system, use mulch as 386 biological conservation, selection in vitro to screening drought stress tolerance varieties and
- 387 exogenous application osmo-protectant like glycine betaine.

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879 Table 1. Water status relationship between water potential and soil water volume

Water Status		Potential atus		Soil Water St	Availability to Plant		
	pF	Мра	Sand	Clay	Loam	·	
Saturation	0	0	39%	50%	54%	Unavailable	
Field Capacity	(-) 1-2,5	(-) 0,33	8-10%	20-35%	36-49%	Available	
Wilting Point	(-) 4,2	(-) 1,5	4%	9%	29%	Unavailable	

880 Source: [23,32] - modified

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882 Table 2. Plants responses to drought stress

	Response										
Drought Stre	Morphology	Physiology	Biochemical								
	Strengthens the roots system (roots elongated)	Stomatal closure	ABA synthesis								
	Reduce leaf surface area	Reduce CO ₂ fixation	Decreased activity of rubisco								
	Rolling the leaves	Decreasing photosynthesis	Accumulation of solute compounds (proline, glycine-betaine, sugar)								
	Dropping leaves	In any other DOC as we are de	Increased antioxidant compounds								
	Early flowering	Increased ROS compounds	Drought tolerant gene expression								
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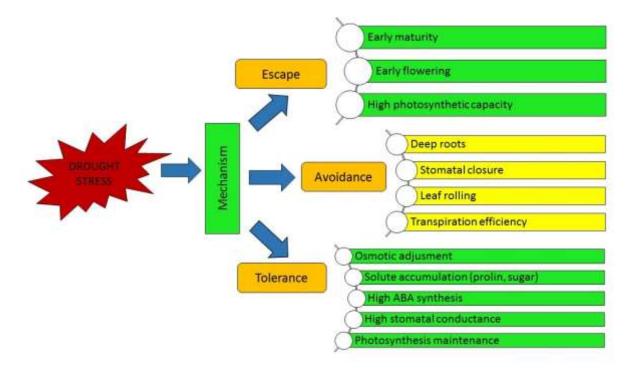
885 Table 3. Relationship between drought stress and the sensitivity of plant metabolic processes

Affected process		Sensitivity														
		Very susceptible					Susceptible					Unsusceptible				
(-) decreased			Pressure (Bar) (-)													
(+) increased	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Cell growth (-)																
Cell wall synthesis (-)*																
Protein synthesis (-)*																
Proto-chlorophyll formation (-)**																
Nitrate reductase (-)																
ABA Synthesis (+)																
Stomatal conductivity (-)																
Fixation of CO ₂ (-)																
Respiration																
Xylem conductivity (-)***																
Proline synthesis (+)																
Sugar synthesis (+)																

886 887 Note: *= fast growing tissue; **= etiolated leaves; ***= xylem dimension factor

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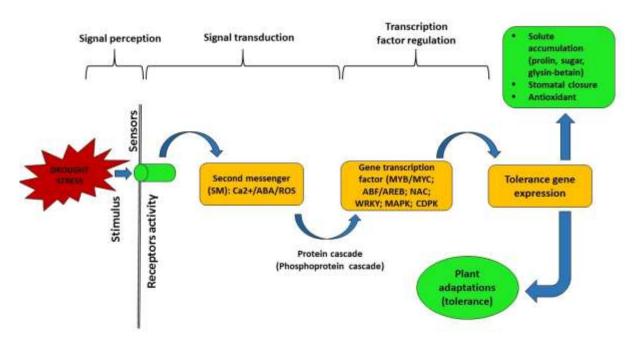


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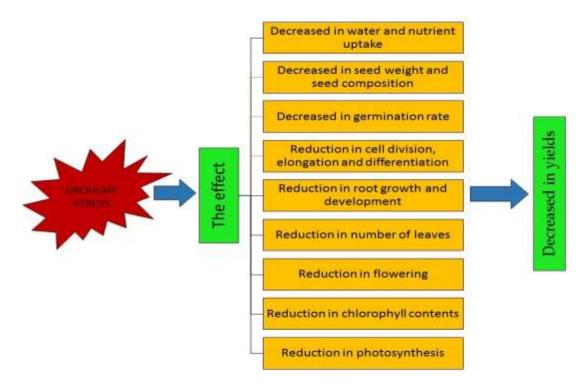
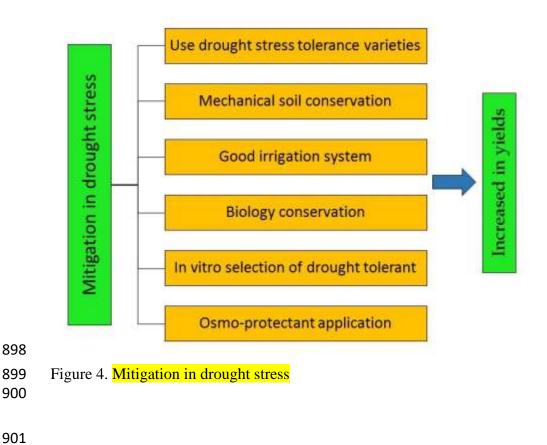


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26 Abstract:

The function of water for plants is crucial, including playing the roles in metabolic reactions. 27 28 The aims of this article is to give information on the effects of drought stress on plant morphology, physiology, and biochemistry, as well as mitigation methods in drought stress 29 30 management for plant production. Plants manage drought stress using a mechanisms, namely 31 drought escape, drought avoidance and drought tolerance. Drought escape is the ability of 32 plants to accelerate flowering or life cycle, drought avoidance is the ability of plants to reduce 33 water loss and increase water absorption through morphological changes in the root system, drought tolerance is the plant adaptation to drought by changes in plant physiological and 34 biochemical processes. Physiological changes that occur include closing the stomata and 35 The biochemical responses include the synthesis of solute 36 decreased photosynthesis. 37 compounds as a form of osmotic adjustment in the cell called osmotic adjustment to reduce water loss from the cell. The biochemical indicators are the increased concentrations of abscisic 38 acid (ABA), proline, and sugar (trehalose). ABA acts as a signal to stimulate stomatal closure 39 40 to reduce the transpiration rate. Proline is an indicator of plants adapting to drought stress, 41 playing a role in the osmotic adjustment of cells to retain in the cell. Trehalose is a compatible sugar acting as an osmoprotectant, it can maintain the integrity of cell membranes (water 42 43 replacement) and form hydrogen bonds (water entrapment). Plants under drought stress conditions can adapt by making morphological, physiological, and biochemical responses by 44 45 osmotic adjustment. These conditions need to be managed so that appropriate strategies and technologies are needed as mitigation measures. 46

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53 Introduction

54 The aims of this article is to give information on the effects of drought stress on plant 55 morphology, physiology, and biochemistry, as well as mitigation methods in drought stress 56 management for plant production. Water is a vital requirement for the survival of plants. Plant 57 tissues are composed mostly of these, which is about 80% to 95%, predominantly found in the 58 cytoplasm and vacuoles [1]. However, some tissues have a content is about 10-15%, one of 59 which is dormant seeds [2]. Water is a major factor in plant growth since it is needed by plants to carry out physiological processes [3]. In plants, these is the main molecule that makes up 60 61 protoplasm (cytoplasm, nucleus, and organelles) [4]. Besides that these is a solvent for 62 dissolved substances in cells. If water is used as a solvent for acidic or alkaline components, it 63 will be positively charged (K^+ , Ca^{++} , NH_4^+) or negatively charged (NO_3^- , SO_3^- , HPO_4^-), 64 respectively. The functions of these as a medium for metabolic and physiological reactions in 65 plants, in which metabolic and physiological activities can decrease when there is a lack of 66 water and also plays a role as a medium for transporting essential nutrients and minerals from the soil so that a lack of water can reduce the rate of nutrient uptake from the soil by roots [5]. 67 These is also one of the main factors determining plant production related to biomass production 68 and transpiration rate [6]. Water will affect cell turgidity, thereby affecting the process of 69 70 opening and closing stomata. The conversion of sunlight will be reduced if the stomata are 71 closed, which will affect the photosynthesis results [7]. These is also affects transpiration in 72 plants, in which more water will increase the transpiration rate and vice versa [8].

73 Plants will always be exposed to various stress conditions, including biotic stresses such as 74 pests, pathogens, viruses, nematodes [9], and abiotic stresses, namely drought, water saturation, 75 temperature, and salinity . One of the stresses influencing the growth and yield of cultivated 76 plants is drought [10]. According to the agronomic point of view, drought is defined as the relationship between moisture and water availability in the soil. These absorption and dissolved 77 78 mineral nutrients decrease when there is a lack in the soil [12]. Disruption in the absorption 79 process disrupts metabolic processes, impacting plant physiological and morphological 80 functions, which can affect yields [11]. Drought occurs due to climate change and soil type. All 81 regions in the world with a share of seawater will experience El Nino, a condition in which the 82 sea surface temperature (SML) warms up, resulting in a long drought that decreases the water availability, which is predicted to affect the rate of evapotranspiration [13]. In Indonesia, in the 83 range of 2019, El Nino had an impact on the expansion of dryland areas almost three times 84 85 compared to that in 2017 [14]. The characteristics of soil types are very diverse [15], so the ability of the soil to hold water in field capacity varies according to the soil texture [16,17].
Sandy soil type can hold water about 2.1 in/ft, clay can hold these around 3.8 in/ft, while clay
soils can hold these around 4.4 in/ft [18].

In the soil these is divided into four types, including chemical, hygroscopic, capillary, and 89 groundwater [19]. Chemical water located in the soil surface that still contains chemicals (from 90 91 rain) and is a type of soil that is not available to plants. Hygroscopic is strongly bound by the soil (permeates). Capillary fills the capillary pores (infiltration) in the soil with a greater 92 cohesive force than the adhesion force on soil particles, making it available to plants. Whereas 93 94 groundwater can continue to fall to the bottom layer due to the influence of gravity 95 (percolation). Available of these is defined as the condition or difference between the amount 96 of the field capacity and the amount of the wilting point [20]. Field capacity is the amount of 97 capillary in the soil, while the wilting point is the amount of hygroscopic water in the soil that 98 makes water unavailable [21].

99 Water Deficit

100 The ideal soil composition consists of 45% mineral content, 25% water, 25% air, and 5% 101 organic matter [22,23]. This condition will stabilize the water tension at field capacity (pF) on the soil, stabilizing the force of attraction between water molecules (cohesion) and between 102 103 water molecules and soil particles (adhesion) becomes. If cohesion is stronger than adhesion, 104 the water can't be bound by soil pores [24,25]. In addition to being influenced by the adhesive 105 power, the soil's ability to bind water also depends on the type of soil. The higher the clay 106 content of the soil, the lower the adhesion force, causing a low pF value, resulting in water 107 saturation so that water is not available. On the other hand, low cohesion will result in a high 108 pF value, which in turn causes a water deficit [26,27]. Besides being influenced by pF, it is also 109 influenced by water potential [28,29]. At a pressure of 0 Mpa, the soil is saturated with water, 110 while -0.33 Mpa at field capacity conditions and -1.5 to -3 Mpa is the permanent wilting point 111 [30,31]. In addition to the influence of pressure, according to Easton [23] and Datta et al. [32], the volume of water in the soil also depends on the type of soil to bind water so that it will 112 113 determine water saturation (sand: 39%, clay: 50%, clay: 54%), field capacity (sand: 8-10%, clay: 20-35%, clay: 36-49%) and permanent wilting point (sand: 4%, clay: 9%, clay: 29%). A 114 high pF value will lead to high percolation, resulting in water loss and a low groundwater 115 116 potential. Otherwise, a low pF value causes low water holding capacity with the soil pores 117 (adhesion), resulting in low groundwater potential.

In drought conditions, plants will lack water in the rhizosphere (around plant roots), decreasing groundwater potential (Ψ_w) and increasing osmotic potential in plant cells (Ψ_s), which decrease plant cell turgor pressure (Ψ_p) (-) [33,34]. Such conditions must be balanced by maintaining cell turgor pressure to remain in a positive condition. Turgor pressure (Ψ_p) that has a positive value depends on the ability of plant cells to balance the value of Ψ_w and the value of Ψ_s with a certain scheme. This condition is called osmotic adjustment in plant cells (osmotic adjustment), shown in an equation of $\Psi_w = \Psi_s + \Psi_p$ [35,36].

Turgor pressure affects the shape, reaction, and cell changes in plants. Water deficit in grains 125 126 (barley and corn) was reported to decrease cell turgor pressure [37,38]. Under decreased 127 turgidity, water molecules leave the cell. If water continues to leave the cell, the cell loses 128 flexibility, resulting in wilting [39]. To prevent water from leaving the cell, the cell applies an 129 osmoregulation mechanism to maintain the turgor pressure remains positive (+). If transpiration 130 continues to occur, while the water absorption process continues to decrease, the cell is no 131 longer able to maintain turgidity, other than wilting, if the plant is unable to recover, the plant 132 may die [40]. Water deficit in plants can affect morphology and physiology. At the morphological level, water deficit will cause the leaves to wither, the leaves to shrink, curling 133 134 leaves, the small number of leaves, the elongated roots [41,42], and early flowering [43]. At the 135 physiological level, it can disrupt metabolism, thereby affecting crop yields. The metabolic process is characterized by the formation of compounds in response to drought conditions, such 136 as sugar [44,45], glycine-betaine [46,47], proline [48,49], and ABA [50,51]. 137

138 Drought Responses

139 Drought causes plants to experience an increase in osmotic pressure, resulting in a decrease in 140 cell turgor pressure. If the drought continues beyond the limit of permanent wilting, the plant 141 may suffer damage and death [40,53]. As a form of anticipation, plants carry out certain 142 mechanisms to keep physiological and metabolic processes running. Drought causes water 143 deficit in plants, affecting their morphology [54]. There are three levels of water deficit, consisting of mild drought stress (lower water deficit), moderate drought stress (middle water 144 145 deficit) when the water potential decreases, and severe drought stress (higher water deficit). 146 Mild, moderate, and severe drought stress occurs when the water potential decreases to 0.1 147 MPa, up to 1.2 Mpa to 1.5 Mpa, and more than 1.5 MPa, respectively. This condition can 148 decrease the relative water content (RWC) in plants, for example, leaves. Moderate to severe 149 drought stress can decrease relative water content RWC in teak [55]. The decrease in RWC in 150 soybean plants can reduce the water potential in the leaves [56]. In tomatoes, a decrease in 151 RWC can affect fruit weight and the amount of chlorophyll in leaves [57]. Mild, moderate, and 152 severe drought stress will reduce RWC by about 8-10%, 10-20%, and more than 20%, 153 consecutively. The continuous severe drought stress will disrupt the physiological processes of 154 the plant. Disruption of plant physiological processes ultimately results in decreased yields of 155 several crops (tomato, corn, potato, rice, and wheat) [58-68].

156 Adaptation Strategy

157 According to Rini et al. [11], plants respond to drought stress by three mechanisms (escape, avoidance, and tolerance). Drought escape is a form of plant adaptation to drought stress by 158 159 accelerating the generative phase. In this condition, the plant stops the vegetative phase and 160 tries to produce seeds before drought stops its life cycle [69]. Wheat plants accelerate the 161 generative phase and terminate vegetative growth to minimize water loss [70]. This strategy is 162 common for plants to complete their life cycle as long as the environment is still possible before 163 facing drought. In Arabidopsis plants, this strategy is carried out by using water efficiently for 164 growth [71]. These mechanisms include early flowering and harvest age, as well as plant 165 plasticity [72]. Drought avoidance is an adaptation of plants to maintain water availability under stress conditions, keeping the water potential in cells remains high. One of the common 166 167 morphological indications is its effect on root elongation [11,73]. In potato plants, this strategy 168 is indicated by the elongation of roots and differences in the number of shoots [74]. Differences 169 in root morphology in Arabidopsis are used to increase water uptake so that the water content 170 in the tissue remains balanced [75]. The physiological effects that occur may be a decrease in 171 the rate of transpiration and a decrease in the area of transpiration, such as small leaf and a small number of leaves [76]. Drought tolerance is a condition for plants to survive despite 172 173 experiencing drought stress (water deficit) [11].

174 Stress Signal Mechanisms

Plants respond to drought stress in the form of a sign, called signal perception (SP), due to the introduction of a stimulus to stress conditions. This signal begins with a disturbance in the balance of the cell wall so that signal activation will occur in the form of protein molecules [11] [72]. The difficulty of roots in absorbing water can provide a signal by modifying the cell membrane so as not to lose cell turgidity [77]. SP is assisted by components in the form of smaller molecules, such as diacylglycerol (DAG) and phosphatidic acids (PA), which are

referred to as second messengers (SM) that will transmit SP as a form of stress signal in plants 181 182 before signal transduction (ST) occurs [11]. Drought will cause changes in osmotic pressure in 183 cells so that SP will stimulate the hydraulic signal (HS) in plant cells by trying to increase 184 dissolved materials so that water does not leave the cell. HS in Arabidopsis plants is initiated 185 by the AHK1 kinase (protein) compound, which functions as an osmo-sensor in the plant cell 186 membrane layer [78]. Osmo-sensors in Arabidopsis plants are associated with calcium channels called hyperosmolality gated calcium-permeable channels (OSCA) that allow Ca²⁺ influx 187 processes in cell membranes [79]. In addition to another OSCA, there is another osmo-sensor 188 189 called MSL (mechanism sensitive like ion channels). MSL is an osmo-sensor found in plant cell membranes affecting the process of K⁺ influx [80]. Another osmo-sensor found in plant 190 191 cell membranes is receptor-like protein kinase (RLKs) which play an important role in inducing 192 abscisic acid (ABA) as a signal form against drought stress [81].

193 After exposure to drought stimulates SP assisted by SM, the next step is ST initiation. ST is a 194 protein kinase molecule that is a series of signals in plants experiencing abiotic stress, including 195 drought, to stimulate certain protein kinases in response to stress [11]. Mitogen-activated 196 protein kinase (MAPK) and Calcium-dependent protein kinase (CDPK) are types of ST in 197 plants connected to target molecules in the MAPK cascade system, functioning as ST in the 198 phosphorylase and dephosphorylation processes [82]. In cotton and arabidopsis plants, MAPK 199 is found in leaf cell membranes and affects the regulation of stomata and growth (length) of 200 plant roots [83,84]. MAPK interaction with sucrose nonfermenting related protein kinase-1 (SnRK1) also affects carbohydrate metabolism to be converted into simpler molecules during 201 drought stress [85]. CDPK is an ST formed due to the influx of Ca^{2++} in plant cell membranes 202 203 that affect ABA regulation and stomata regulation in potato plant leaves [86]. In strawberries, 204 CDPK is identified on cell membranes in the form of FaCDPK appearing in the fruit ripening 205 phase under drought stress conditions. This FaCDPK causes an increase in ABA in strawberry 206 fruit [87]. In soybean plants, CDPK is identified as GmCDPK3, which can lead to an increase 207 in proline and chlorophyll. This condition increases plant resistance to drought conditions [88]. 208 In addition to MAPK and CDPK, drought stress leads to the production of ROS compounds in 209 the form of hydroxyl peroxide (H_2O_2) and singlet oxygen (O_2^{-}), which decrease the amount of 210 chlorophyll, thereby forcing plants to form antioxidant compounds, one of which is proline [89]. High ROS compounds can cause oxidative stress so that cells can die. Therefore, cells 211 212 respond by activating antioxidant enzymes to prevent cell damage [90].

213 **Physiological Effects and Mechanisms**

Plant growth and development are related to cell division, elongation, and differentiation, which 214 depend on water availability [91-93]. In 15 wheat genotypes, water deficit can reduce yields by 215 216 20% to 25% [94]. Moderate and severe water drought stress will increase the dry weight of 217 wheat grain per 1000 grains by 1.95% to 2.07% as a result of the starch formation response 218 [95]. There is no significant reduction in the yield of quinoa plants under drought stress. 219 However, there is an increase in the amount of proline, glutamine, Na, K, and ABA and a 220 decrease in the stomatal opening, thereby reducing transpiration [96]. Water deficit in rice 221 plants is a limiting factor that can reduce yields up to 25.4% and affect root length as a strategy 222 to deal with drought stress [97]. In some plants, water deficit inhibits flower formation [98] 223 [99]. The conclusion is that water deficit can inhibit flowering, increase the number of solutes 224 and reduce yields in plants.

225 Water deficit causes plants to carry out physiological responses by reducing transpiration, 226 closing stomata, and reducing the number of leaves [11,72,73]. In tomato plants, a decrease in 227 the rate of photosynthesis is due to a lack of water and a high rate of respiration, resulting in 228 the efficient use of water [100]. The stomatal closure to suppress the transpiration rate is related 229 to the efficiency of photosynthesis. In photosynthesis, the efficiency of light absorption and 230 transformation is determined by chlorophyll fluorescence and electron transport [101]. Low 231 light absorption by chlorophyll can result in low light waves, decreasing the CO₂ and energy 232 absorbed [102,103]. The decrease in CO₂ uptake in canola and wheat plants can reduce the rate 233 of photosynthesis and ultimately reduce biomass in production [104]. Water deficit leads to the 234 production of radical compounds called ROS. If there is no balance between the rate of photosynthesis, the production of antioxidant compounds can be inhibited, as illustrated in the 235 236 research on canola plants [105]. The decrease in the rate of photosynthesis is also influenced 237 by the ABA response as a signal of drought stress, which results in regulation of stomatal 238 closure [106,107]. ABA is formed in roots and transported to leaves to signal and regulate 239 stomatal closure due to lack of water stimulated by certain genes such as NPF4.6 and DTX5.0 240 [108]. A further impact is the reduction of CO2 for photosynthesis. The decrease in the CO₂ 241 carboxylation process and the closing of stomata due to abiotic stress can reduce the rate of 242 photosynthesis, decreasing the number of functional Ribulose 1.5 bisphosphate carboxylae oxygenase (RuBisCo) in photosynthesis [109]. The conclusion is that drought stress causes 243 244 morphological and physiological responses in plants. Morphological responses occur in root 245 elongation, leaf size, and the number of leaves. Physiologically roots can respond by transporting ABA to regulate stomatal closure to reduce evaporation. Closure of stomata resultsin low CO₂ absorption, causing the photosynthesis process to be not optimal.

248 The general response of plants to water deficit is to close their stomata, which is beneficial to 249 reduce water loss [110,111]. In addition, water deficit can affect hydraulic conductivity due to 250 hydraulic signals, gas exchange, water potential, and ABA determination in leaves (stomata) 251 [107]. In wheat, stomatal conductivity results in transpiration efficiency, which is influenced 252 by leaf transpiration and assimilation rate [112]. Water loss during the vegetative phase causes soybean plants to balance water potential (osmotic adjustment) by dropping leaves, reducing 253 254 leaf size, closing stomata, and folding leaves for water usage efficiency through transpiration 255 reduction, however this reduces leaf area index (LAI) and so reduces photosynthetic rate [113]. 256 The stomatal closure is a plant response to drought stress, which can decrease transpiration and 257 photosynthesis rate. However, this regulation is a complex mechanism interconnected between 258 external (water availability) and internal (ABA response) factors.

259 The photosynthesis process is influenced by the activity of supporting enzymes, one of which 260 is RuBisCo. RuBisCo plays a role in photosynthesis, namely photosystem II [114]. Under 261 drought stress, the amount of light absorption is small, decreasing the activity of RuBisCo [115] 262 [116]. Drought stress is often accompanied by an increase in temperature, resulting in 263 photoinhibition, which can impair RuBisCo's ability to activate the photosystem II pathway 264 [117]. This decrease occurs because the CO₂ carboxylase process by RuBisCo is not optimal 265 [72]. Drought stress inhibits the RuBisCo enzyme, which can lead to a reduction in carboxylate 266 assimilation. Hence, the regeneration of RuBP will ultimately inhibit the rate of photosystem II 267 [118]. High temperatures and drought stress in rice, wheat, and corn restrict RuBisCo function by inhibiting the RuBisCo activase enzyme, which can reduce photosynthetic optimization 268 269 [114]. Photosynthetic products are usually transported to parts of the plant. However, in drought 270 conditions, there is a change in carbohydrate translocation in plants so that limited 271 carbohydrates are translocated to places contributing to resisting drought stress [119,45]. 272 Carbohydrates are translocated in the form of simple components to maintain osmotic balance, 273 which is in roots are used for morphological growth to increase water uptake and ABA induction [120]. Increasing the amount of carbohydrates in plant parts during the vegetative and 274 275 generative phases is a method used by plants to survive under drought stress [121].

The plants' response to drought stress is to maintain osmotic balance in cells [69,122]. One of the mechanism to maintain this balance is to form soluble compounds to hold water out of the 278 cell (compatible solute) [123,124]. In addition, these soluble compounds are antioxidant 279 compounds that protect cell membranes from damage caused by ROS, one of which is proline 280 [47,125-127]. Proline and glycine-betaine are used as antioxidants and cell membrane 281 protection from radical compounds (ROS) [128]. High proline in the leaves of rice, soybean, 282 and sugarcane plantlets is a physiological indication of plants to resist water deficit 283 [48,129,125]. In wheat cv. Chakwal 50, the proline content increased as a result of drought 284 stress, indicating an osmotic adjustment process in cells in addition to free radical scavengers 285 [130]. The presence of proline in soybean plants can increase water stress resistance and 286 stabilize protein structure [131]. Proline is used as an indicator in drought-tolerant plants so that 287 it is used as the basis for breeding drought-resistant transgenic plants [132]. Proline, in 288 chloroplasts, is a synthesis of glutamate, which is reduced to glutamate semialdehyde (GSA) 289 by the P5CS enzyme (encoded by two genes) and converted spontaneously to P5C (encoded by 290 one gene) [126]. In mitochondria, proline undergoes catabolism with the help of proline oxidase 291 (PDH) to form P5C, which is then converted to glutamate [123].

292 In simple terms, the water balance in plants can be described as the equal amount of water 293 coming out (transpiration) and water coming in (absorption). The imbalance condition will 294 interfere with plant physiology, causing plants to experience stress [133]. In relation to 295 physiological processes, drought stress is related to turgor pressure, stomatal opening, 296 photosynthetic rate, enzyme damage, and root density [72]. plant growth due to low CO2 297 absorption [134]. The direct inhibiting factor for plant growth is not water potential but osmotic 298 potential and turgor pressure [135,136]. The influence of turgor pressure can result in osmotic 299 adjustments in plants to reduce water loss [137]. Plants regulate water balance by generating 300 phytohormones, such as ABA, through their roots. ABA is a plant mediator in response to 301 drought, which is synthesized mostly in roots [138,108,139]. ABA is said to be the main 302 internal signal allowing plants to resist drought, which is transported to the leaves to affect 303 stomata closure to reduce transpiration [140,141,42]. ABA is a simple sequence of carotenoid 304 compounds. In fungi, ABA is synthesized through the metileritritol phosphate (MEV) pathway, 305 which begins with the formation of mevalonate. Meanwhile, ABA in plants is synthesized through the MEP pathway, starting with the formation of carotenoids into more specific 306 307 compounds (zeaxanthin) [139]. Assisted by the zeaxanthin epoxidase (ZEP), zeaxanthin is 308 converted to violaxanthin and turned to neoxanthin. In Arabidopsis, the gene involved in this 309 process is ABA4. Neoxanthin will be converted into xanthine with NCEDs enzymes as activators (found in arabidopsis, corn, tomatoes, cowpea, and grains). In maize, the gene 310

involved is known to be VIP14. Xanthine is converted to abscisic aldehyde and then to ABA.The genes involved in this process are ABA2 and ABA3 in Arabidopsis plants and TaNAC48

313 in wheat [142].

314 ABA formed in the roots is transported to the leaves and the flowers. NCED2 and NECD3 315 proteins are known to play a more dominant role in the synthesis of ABA in roots, while 316 NCED5, NCED6, and NCED9 are more dominant in the flowering part. Apart from being an 317 early signal of drought that will be transported to the leaves, ABA will also affect the growth of stressed plant roots by increasing water influx by the roots [143]. ABA transport to the leaves 318 319 occurs with enzymes (such as CLE25) as activators. When ABA reaches the leaves, it becomes 320 a signal for stomata to close [144]. Stomatal closure can be beneficial to reduce transpiration 321 [145,146], but the rate of photosynthesis will decrease, photorespiration will increase, and the 322 accumulation of ROS compounds will increase [147]. The ABA-mediated gene for stomatal 323 closure in wheat is TaNAC48 [142]. When the stomata close, there is a lack of CO₂. The excess 324 O₂ from photosynthesis is bound by RuBisCo molecules, and some of these compounds can 325 form ROS chemicals. RuBisCo should be able to bind CO2 absorbed from PEP (in C4 plants). 326 With the decrease in the amount of CO2, the O2 bound by RuBisCo can produce CO2, but more 327 energy (ATP) is required, thereby reducing the efficiency of photosynthesis. When the stomata 328 are closed, there will be a buildup of singlet oxygen (O^{-}) and hydroxide compounds (H_2O_2) as 329 a result of photosynthesis, forming toxic ROS compounds. This condition is anticipated by 330 forming direct antioxidant compounds (carotenoids, mannitol) and antioxidant enzymatic reactions, such as SOP, APX, and CAT, which can convert ROS compounds into O2 and H2O 331 332 [90,148,149,76]. However, severe and long-duration stress causes an imbalance between ROS 333 and antioxidants. If the ROS is higher than the antioxidant, it will attack the fatty acids on the 334 membrane (PUFAs) so that the cell membrane will be damaged, and if the plant cannot adapt, 335 the plant will be sensitive and die [150]. The increase in ROS compounds that are not matched 336 by an increase in antioxidant compounds and other solute compounds causes membrane 337 damage to plant cell walls and other responses such as proline formation and an increase in 338 reaction enzymes such as SOP, APX, and CAT [76].

Plants such as tomato plants [151], sunflower plants [152], sugarcane [153] respond to drought
stress by forming compatible solutes, namely sugars with low molecular weights that are
osmoprotectant compounds (stress protecting agents) [154]. Regarding the function of
trehalose, there are at least two supporting theories. The first theory is water replacement

because it can form hydrogen bonds with surrounding structural molecules that function as a 343 344 substitute for water, for example, trehalose with lipid molecules will function as membrane 345 integrity guards during drought stress (changes in the membrane from a fluid phase to a gel 346 phase). The second theory is water entrapment since it can play a role in collecting water by 347 forming hydrogen bonds to form a water layer in the cell [155]. Trehalose is a disaccharide 348 group formed from the breakdown of carbohydrates into two glucose molecules [156]. Plants 349 under drought stress will increase ABA synthesis, playing a role in stomatal closure and 350 stimulating signal transduction by forming a protein cascade, namely TPS1 protein. This 351 protein will activate transcriptional genes such as the TreGP gene (TGP), which will play a role 352 in the formation of trehalose as a compatible solute in cells that supports osmotic adjustment in 353 cells [156,157].

354 **Drought Stress Management**

Drought stress has an impact on agriculture crop cultivation, thereby decreasing crop 355 356 production. Therefore, it is necessary in these condition to require management to increase crop 357 production. These condition has management variations so that appropriate strategies and 358 technologies are needed as mitigation measures. Mitigation management can be done by:1) Use 359 early maturing varieties and drought stress tolerance varieties. The use of early maturing to 360 facing drought stress can be used to increase crop index (CI) and it will maintain high yields [158]. Drought tolerance varieties can respond and induces expression of drouht stress related 361 362 genes so that the plant will survive in these conditions [159]. 2) using mechanical soil 363 conservation such as making terraces and bed planting which are used to suppress surface water 364 flow and hold back puddles. The terraces are supported and can help in binding soil particles 365 and also to bind water longer whereas bed planting can enhances the water infiltration rate and 366 can maintain mouisture conditions [160]. 3) applying a good irrigation system. Drought and 367 water scarcity conditions need irrigation management, this should be seen within supply and 368 demand management for plant [161]. 4) biological conservation using mulch to improve soil 369 structure and to increase the ability of the soil to hold water. Mulching is one of the important 370 management practice for conserving soil moisture in plants cultivation. That evaporates from soil with mulch will be condenses on the lower surfaces and go back to the soil thus conserving 371 372 moisture [162]. 5) selecting drought-tolerant plants both in vitro and in vivo by using selector 373 agents such as PEG. The in vitro screening using PEG-6000 is an alternative for the early 374 selection of drought tolerance varieties, it is known through gene markers of varieties that are

- considered optimal growth in drought stress [163]. 6) applying osmo-protectant compounds,
- 376 such as glycine betaine. Glycine betaine exogenous application can reducing the aggregation
- of ROS, that can improving SOD and CAT activities which will result in an osmotic adjustment
- **378** mechanism [164].

379 Conclusion

380 Drought stress causes plant to be in a state of water deficit. Water deficit has an impact on cell 381 division, cell elongation, cell differentiation, and a decrease in CO₂ fixation so that it can reduce 382 photosynthetic results and the accumulation of ROS compounds, thereby decreasing crop 383 production. These condition stimulates plants responses through morphological and 384 physiological changes. Mitigation management can be done by several ways such as use 385 tolerance varieties (early maturing), soil conservation, good irrigation system, use mulch as 386 biological conservation, selection in vitro to screening drought stress tolerance varieties and 387 exogenous application osmo-protectant like glycine betaine.

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879 Table 1. Water status relationship between water potential and soil water volume

Water Status	Water F Sta	otential tus		Soil Water S	Availability to Plant		
	pF	Мра	Sand	Clay	Loam		
Saturation	0	0	39%	50%	54%	Unavailable	
Field Capacity	(-) 1-2,5	(-) 0,33	8-10%	20-35%	36-49%	Available	
Wilting Point	(-) 4,2	(-) 1,5	4%	9%	29%	Unavailable	

880 Source: [23,32] - modified

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882 Table 2. Plants responses to drought stress

Response											
Morphology	Physiology	Biochemical									
Strengthens the roots system (roots elongated)	Stomatal closure	ABA synthesis									
Reduce leaf surface area	Reduce CO ₂ fixation	Decreased activity of rubisco									
Rolling the leaves	Decreasing photosynthesis	Accumulation of solute compounds (proline, glycine-betaine, sugar)									
Dropping leaves	Increased BOS compounds	Increased antioxidant compounds									
Early flowering	increased KOS compounds	Drought tolerant gene expression									
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Source: [52] - modified

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885 Table 3. Relationship between drought stress and the sensitivity of plant metabolic processes

Affected process		Sensitivity														
		Very susceptible Susceptible							Unsusceptible							
(-) decreased			Pressure (Bar) (-)													
(+) increased	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Cell growth (-)																
Cell wall synthesis (-)*																
Protein synthesis (-)*																
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Nitrate reductase (-)																
ABA Synthesis (+)																
Stomatal conductivity (-)																
Fixation of CO ₂ (-)																
Respiration																
Xylem conductivity (-)***																
Proline synthesis (+)																
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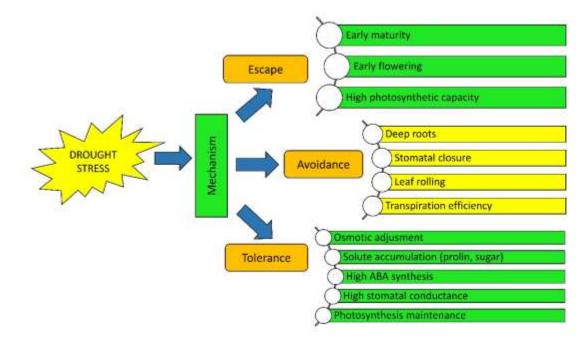
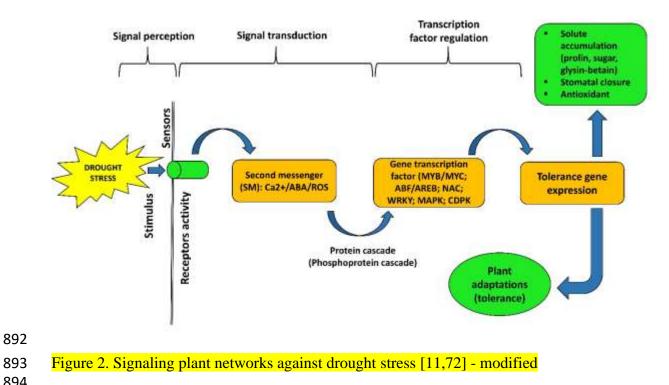
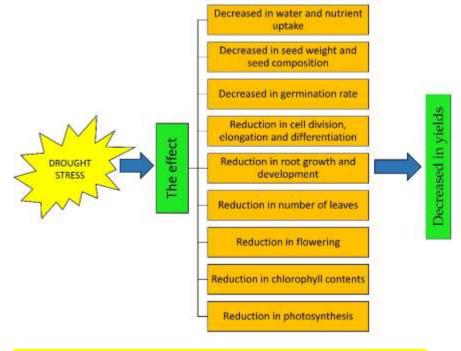




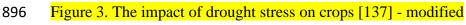
Figure 1. Crops mechanism in drought stress [65] - modified



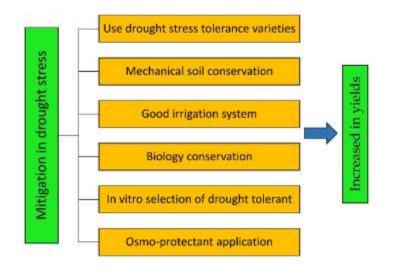












899 Figure 4. Mitigation in drought stress

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I am Saktiyono Sigit Tri Pamungkas, representing on behalf of the manuscript (Suwarto, Suprayogi and Noor Farid). I wish to submit a review article entitled "Drought Stress: Responses and Mechanism in Plants" for consideration Reviews in Agricultural Science.

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In this paper, I explain how the impact of drought stress on plants that will affect growth and development in morphology, physiology and biochemistry, so that it affects crop yields and how to minimize drought stress for agricultural crop cultivation. I hope this paper can be used as a basic knowledge about the impact of drought stress so that early mitigation can be carried out in agricultural crop cultivation. I believe that this manuscript is appropriate for publication by Reviews in Agricultural Science because it matches with journal's Aims & Scope.

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