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EVALUATION OF SOME LEONARDITE SOURCES IN TURKEY FOR BIOLOGIC HUMIC PRODUCTION VIA BIOTECHNOLOGICAL METHOD FOR ORGANIC FARMING USAGE

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Nowadays, the developing countries became follower of the developing countries and accepted the strategies based on obtaining economic and optimum products via efficient usage of agricultural technology. In these strategies the main target is to increase the production amount and due to these strategies, the sustainability of biodiversity and natural balance aren't taken into account and usage of chemical inputs without control cause a lot of problems in short and long terms. In the study leonardite samples were taken from different leonardite deposits and the quality of ores were determined and from these ores of Adana Tufanbeyli, Turkey was selected due to best properties and bioleaching method was applied to obtain biotechnologically produced humic acid and to determine the leaching ratio. California method was used as standard method. To optimize the best conditions for maximum and economic bioleaching several leonardite ore and microorganism solution rates of 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70%, several media pH of 6.5, 7.0, 7.5, 8.0, 8.5, different efficiency durations of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 days and different temperature conditions 10, 20, 30, 45, 50°C were tested. As a result of the study the most efficient pH 8.5, fermentation degree at 45oC, 40/60% ore/bioleaching solution and 4 days incubation duration were determined. The stabilized product was tested in field conditions at 0, 30, 60, 90 and 120 L/Ha dosages in tomato in Bursa Karacabey, Turkey. The divided parcels randomized to two sources as standard and biologic humic acid, five application dosages and three

repeats and for each plant 30 repeats were done. As a result of the study, the most appropriate dosages in biologic humic acid were determined for tomato was 83 L/Ha and compared with standard humic acid the yield increase were determined as 24.5%. Due to this increase in yield, the determined macro and microelement, organic and amino acid, hormone, hydrogen peroxide and antioxidant enzyme contents, this product has a good potential to use in organic farming as fertilizer.

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