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GENETIC DIVERSITY OF PANDANUS AND FREYCINETIA FROM JAVA BASED ON ISSR MARKER

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Kata kunci: *Freycinetia*, ISSR, Jawa, keragaman genetik, *Pandanus*.

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Keywords: *Freycinetia*, ISSR, Java, genetic diversity, *Pandanus*.

The pandan family (*Pandanaceae*) in Java is represented by two genera, *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* (Stone 1970). *Pandanus* contains about 500-600 species of trees and shrubs of the old world tropics, distributed from East Africa westward through Indomalaysia to remote island of Polynesia. It extends south to tropical Australia (but not to New Zealand), north to Ryukyus, Bonins, Taiwan, and to Hawaiian island (Stone 1965), while *Freycinetia* contains about 180-200 species of root climbing lianas or low growing shrubs occur from Sri Lanka throughout South-Eastern Asia to Northern Australia, Polynesia and New Zealand (Cox et al 1995). The habitat of *Pandanus* is nearly all possible habitats,

from sea level to the highest peaks (Stone 1966), whereas *Freycinetia* are usually not found in open area because they grow on forest (Stone 1982).

Species of *Pandanus* specialize in wind pollination. This anemophily, coupled with syncarpous dispersal unit (the pistillate phalange) and also the presence of facultative apomixis allows *Pandanus* species to colonize new areas (Cox 1990). Immediate genetic isolation as well as exposure to new habitats without regard to pollinator availability may account for the extreme richness of species in *Pandanus* as well as its very wide distribution (Cox et al. 1995). Whereas *Freycinetia* have been believed to be strictly dioecious (Dahlgren et al. 1985), but recent

fieldwork has indicated that a variety of breeding systems exist in *Freycinetia* (Cox et al 1984). Some individuals of *Freycinetia imbricata* in Sumatra produce staminate and pistillate shoots on the same plant, such divergences from a dioecious breeding system may be important in island colonization (Baker & Cox 1984) particularly since monoecious individuals of *Freycinetia scandens* in Philippine have been found to be self compatible (Cox 1984). *Freycinetia* lack facultative apomixis and water dispersal. However, their attractiveness to a wide variety of vertebrate pollination and disperses, as well as infrequent leaky dioecy would assure them a large range and high speciation rate (Cox 1990).

Many species of *Pandanus* have been used by Indonesian people for daily purposes, i.e as the raw materials for mats, and other handicrafts, such as hat and bag. Not all species of *Pandanus* are suitable as raw materials for mat. The most suitable species are *Pandanus tectorius*, *Pandanus dubius*, and *Pandanus furcatus*. All along the leaves border of the three species are thorny, but their texture are flexible, unbreakable (Purwanto 2007). *Pandanus amaryllifolius* is rare in the wild, but it cultivated and widely used as flavouring in cooking (Leam & Yap 2003). Some species are cultivated as ornamentals, i.e *Pandanus dubius*, *Pandanus utilis*, *Pandanus spurius* cv putat, and *Pandanus tectorius* cv sanderi (Thomson et al 2006), whereas some species of *Freycinetia* are important in the pacific as an emergency food and for the construction of fish traps (Brown 1931). In Indonesia, not many people utilize this genus, but looking at its elegant figure, *Freycinetia* has potential as an ornamental plant (Purwanto 2007).

Learning its importance and considering its availability of the large number of wild species germplasm for *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* in Java, the genetic analysis by using molecular marker is a prerequisite to have a deep insight of the genome organization of the wild species. Therefore it is imperative to establish strategies for the preservation of *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* germplasm. This analysis is a preliminary step that ensured the conservation and the development of genetic resources.

In the past, genetic diversity of species has typically been assessed using morphological, physiological and biochemical traits. Since, morphological and physiological traits are subject to environmental influences, emphasis has shifted to biochemical studies (Moodie et al. 1997). In particular, allozyme analysis has been used to

document genetic diversity in a range of different species. However, allozymes may underestimate genetic diversity (Esselman et al. 1999). Recently more sensitive DNA based-techniques have been developed to detect the genetic diversity in different group of plants. Commonly used Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)-based DNA marker systems are Random Amplified Polymorphic DNA (RAPD), Amplified Fragment Length Polymorphism (AFLP), and more recently Simple Sequence Repeat (SSRs) or microsatellites (Staub et al. 1996). The major limitation of these methods are low reproducibility of RAPD, high cost of AFLP and the need to know the flanking sequence to develop species specific primers for SSR polymorphism. ISSR-PCR is a technique that overcome most of these limitations (Zietkiewicz et al. 1994).

Inter simple sequence repeats (ISSR) exhibits a few advantages over other markers. ISSR primer anneal to simple sequence repeats that are abundant through the eukaryotic genome and evolve rapidly, and hence may reveal a high level of polymorphism (Zietkiewicz et al. 1994). In addition, ISSR may produce more reliable and reproducible bands than RAPD because of the higher annealing temperature and longer primer sequences (Qian et al. 2001). Moreover, it has proved their usefulness to detect genetic diversity in *Ficus* species (Rout & Aparajita 2009) and *Morus* species (Awasthi et al. 2004).

There is no information regarding the genetic diversity of *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* from Java. Our objective is to obtain information based in genetic diversity among *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* species.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Plant materials

Totally 19 samples of species of *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* were collected from various places in Java. They consisted of 13 species of *Pandanus* and 6 species of *Freycinetia*. All samples were identified to species based on morphological characters followed the method of Stone (1983) (Table 1) and (Table 2). Two or three leaves were collected from each species and stored in silica gel. In the laboratory, samples were maintained at -5°C until DNA extraction could be performed.

DNA extraction

Genomic DNA of the silica gel dried leaf samples were extracted according to the protocol described by Doyle & Doyle (1987) with minor

Table 1. Thirteen species of *Pandanus* used in this study.

Sample No.	Species	Location
S1	<i>Pandanus bantamensis</i> Koord.	Jampang Kulon
S2	<i>Pandanus tectorius</i> Sol.	Ujung Genteng
S3	<i>Pandanus bidur</i> Jungh.	Ujung Kulon
S4	<i>Pandanus spinistigmatus</i> Fagerlind	Bogor Botanical Garden
S5	<i>Pandanus odoratissimus</i> L.f	Ujung Kulon
S8	<i>Pandanus pseudolais</i> Warb.	Bodogol
S13	<i>Pandanus multifurcatus</i> Fagerlind	Bogor Botanical Garden
S14	<i>Pandanus nitidus</i> Kurz	Jampang Kulon
S21	<i>Pandanus amaryllifolius</i> Roxb	Depok
S23	<i>Pandanus polycephalus</i> Lamk	Bogor Botanical Garden
S24	<i>Pandanus kurzii</i> Merr.	Bogor Botanical Garden
S25	<i>Pandanus scabrifolius</i> Martelli	Cibodas
S26	<i>Pandanus dubius</i> Sprengel	Jakarta

Table 2. Six species of *Freycinetia* used in this study.

Sample No.	Species	Location
S6	<i>Freycinetia javanica</i> Blume	Ujung Kulon
S7	<i>Freycinetia angustifolia</i> Blume	Halimun
S12	<i>Freycinetia scandens</i> Gaud.	Cibodas
S19	<i>Freycinetia insignis</i> Blume	Cibodas
S20	<i>Freycinetia sumatrana</i> Hemsl.	Jampang Kulon
S22	<i>Freycinetia imbricata</i> Blume	Bodogol

modification mainly aimed to minimize the presence of phenolic compounds. For each samples, 100 mg of leaf were ground, followed by the addition of 1 ml preheated (65°C) extraction buffer constitute 3% (w/v) CTAB, 1.4 MnaCl, 0.2% (v/v) α -mercaptoethanol, 20mM EDTA, 100mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0) and 1% (w/v) PVP-40. The homogenous was incubated at 65°C for 30 min and extracted two times with a phenol chloroform : isoamyl alcohol : phenol (25:24:1) solution, was eliminated by chloroform : isoamyl alcohol (24:1) solution. Then DNA was precipitated in cold isopropanol and treated with Rnase A (37°C) for 60 min. After electrophoresis with a standard DNA on 1% agarose gels, stained with ethidium bromide, DNA concentration was determined by comparison against the standard of DNA with known concentration. The DNA was suspended to a final concentration of 10 ng/ μ l in 0.5 x TE and stored at 4°C.

DNA amplification

Total of 12 ISSR primers (Fermentas GmbH - Germany) were used for screening the amplification of unambiguously visible and polymorphic ISSR bands. A final set of 6 of ISSR primers (Table 2.) which produced unambiguously visible and polymorphic bands across the 21 samples was chosen for further analysis.

PCR conditions

PCR was performed in a total volume of 25 μ l containing 1X reaction buffer, 50 ng genomic DNA, 3.0 mM of MgCl₂, *Taq* polymerase (2.5 units), 0.4 mM dNTPs and 10 μ M primer ISSRs were amplified using GeneAmp PCR System 2400 Perkin Elmer. The amplification was programmed for 1 cycle in 2 min at 94°C, and 35 cycles in 1 min at 94°C, 1 min at 53°C, and 1 min at 72°C, followed by a final extension in 10 min at 72°C. PCR products were run at 1% (w/v) agarose gel in 1X TAE buffer. Gels were run for 1 to 2 h at 90 V, with a 100 bp ladder (Promega - USA) as the standard size. Gel was stained with ethidium bromide (10 μ g/ml) and visualized under UV light and photograph with a digital camera.

Data analysis

The Numerical Taxonomy and Multivariate Analyses System (NTSYS-pc) was used in this study. The presence of band was scored from the photograph. Only clear and reproducible bands were considered. These bands were considered a polymorphic when they were absent in some samples in frequency more than 1% (Jorde 1995). Changing in band intensity was not considered as a polymorphism. Clear bands were scored as present (1) or absent (0) at particular position or distance migrate on the gel. The data matrix of 1's and 0's

has been prepared from the scorable bands and entered into the data analysis package (Amstrong et al. 1994). The indices disimilarity were calculated across all possible pair wise comparisons of species following the method of Nei & Li (1979).

RESULTS

Primer selection

Six primers were applied on 13 species of *Pandanus* and 6 species of *Freycinetia* from Java. The results showed that different primers generated various numbers of fragments with different length of amplified products as shown in Table 3 and Table 4. The six primers amplified 50 band positions in *Pandanus*, and 32 band positions in *Freycinetia*. The number of amplification bands per primer varied between 6–10 in *Pandanus* and between 2–8 in *Freycinetia*.

The repeats (AG)8AA had more bands in *Pandanus* and (GA)9A primer had more bands in *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* than other dinucleotide repeats primer (Table 3 and Table 4), probably because of its greater abundance in *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* genome. The repeats (GA) n were most abundant in rice (Nagaraju et al. 2002) and date palm (Trifi et al. 2000) genome. This might indicate that dinucleotide-based ISSR-PCR marker could provide potential markers in the *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* genome. A representative amplification pattern obtained by using primer ISSR2 is shown in Fig.1 and Fig. 2.

ISSR survey

A total of 50 ISSR fragments was generated by six primers from 13 species of *Pandanus*, and 32 ISSR fragments were generated in 6 species of *Freycinetia*. The highest number of fragments in *Pandanus* was detected in *Pandanus*

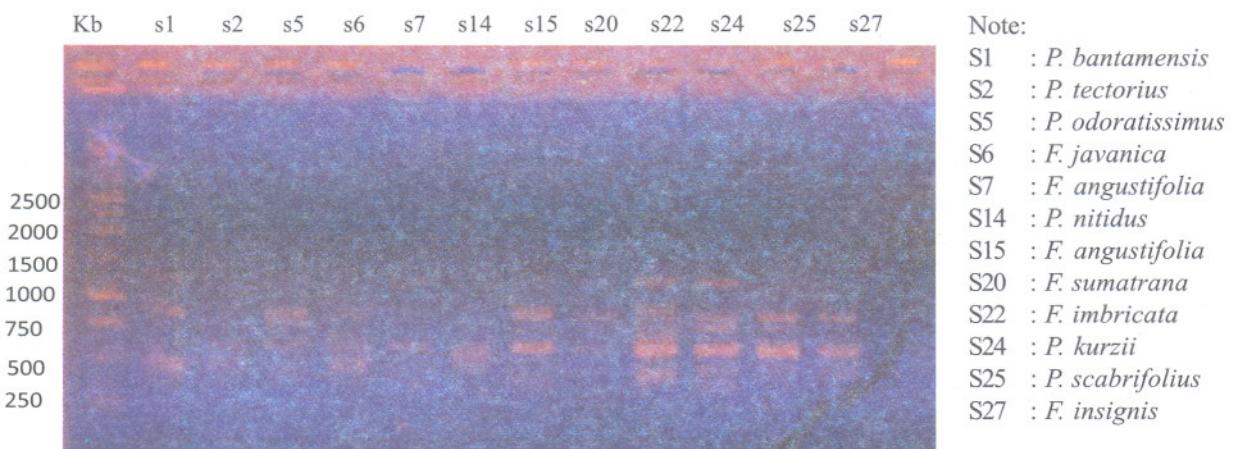


Figure 1. ISSR profile of *Pandanus* spp and *Freycinetia* spp using primer ISSR₂.

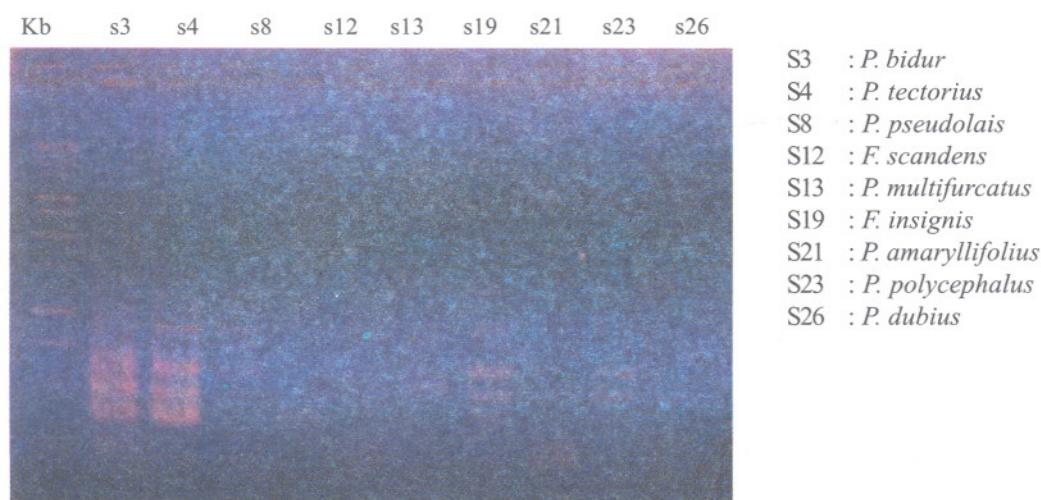


Figure 2. ISSR profile of *Pandanus* spp and *Freycinetia* spp usiong primer ISSR₂.

Tabel 3. ISSR primers sequence and amplified results on 13 species of *Pandanus*.

Primer	Nucleotide (5' – 3')	Length of fragment (bp)	The number of bands	The number of polymorphic	polymorphic percentage (%)
ISSR2	(AC)8TT	250 – 1000	7	7	100
ISSR3	(AG)8T	250 – 1000	9	9	100
ISSR4	(AG)8AA	200 – 1200	10	8	80
ISSR5	(AG)8TA	200 – 700	8	7	87.5
ISSR6	(AG)8TT	250 – 1000	6	4	67
ISSR7	(GA)9A	200 – 800	10	9	90
Total			50	44	
Average			8.3		87.4

Tabel 4. ISSR primers sequence and amplified results on 6 species of *Freycinetia*.

Primer	Nucleotide (5' – 3')	Length of fragment (bp)	The number of bands	The number of polymorphic	polymorphic percentage (%)
ISSR2	(AC)8TT	300 – 750	5	5	100
ISSR3	(AG)8T	250 – 1000	8	7	87.5
ISSR4	(AG)8AA	200 – 1000	6	4	67
ISSR5	(AG)8TA	500 – 700	4	4	100
ISSR6	(AG)8TT	250 – 500	2	2	100
ISSR7	(GA)9A	200 – 750	7	5	71
Total			32	27	
Average			5.3		87.5

amaryllifolius (34), *Pandanus spinistigmaticus* (29) and *Pandanus pseudolais* (28) respectively, whereas the least number was found in *Pandanus multifurcatus* containing 6 fragments. In other species the number of fragments ranged from 12 in *Pandanus bantamensis* and *Pandanus tectorius* to 22 in *Pandanus bidur*. In *Freycinetia*, the highest number of fragments was detected in *Freycinetia javanica* and *Freycinetia imbricata* containing 21 fragments each, while the least number was found in *Freycinetia scandens* containing 11 fragments. In other species, the number of fragment ranged from 15 in *Freycinetia angustifolia* to 18 in *Freycinetia sumatrana*. The average number of fragments generated by all analyzed primer was 8.3 in *Pandanus* and 5.3 in *Freycinetia*. The choice of primers used in amplification is critical to demonstrate high polymorphism. The results show that samples had different banding pattern. Hassel & Gunnarsson (2003) stated that primers had several characteristic that can affect the number and quality of DNA fragment amplified during PCR. Among all the accessions/species subjected in this research, no species specific band was detected.

Genetic diversity

The potential value of ISSR marker has been

observed for genetic analysis in *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia*. In order to determine genetic diversity among 13 species of *Pandanus* and 6 species of *Freycinetia*, it was employed the ISSR technique and found that *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* species could be characterized by ISSR markers. A pairwise genetic distance was calculated to know the distance relationship between the species of *Pandanus* and between the species of *Freycinetia*. In *Pandanus*, the highest genetic distance was observed between *Pandanus scabrifolius* and *Pandanus nitidus* (0.889), showing that these two species were most distantly related to each other, while the lowest distance was detected between *Pandanus amaryllifolius* and *Pandanus multifurcatus* (0.250) (Table 5). High distance relationship was also observed between *Pandanus scabrifolius* and *Pandanus kurzii* (0.842), *Pandanus kurzii* and *Pandanus nitidus* (0.842), *Pandanus scabrifolius* and *Pandanus odoratissimus* (0.833). The distance in other species varied from 0.333 (*Pandanus multifurcatus* and *Pandanus bantamensis*) to 0.789 (*Pandanus kurzii* and *Pandanus odoratissimus*) (Table 5). In *Freycinetia*, the highest genetic distance was observed between *Freycinetia sumatrana* and *Freycinetia imbricata* (0.923) showing that these two species were most distantly related to each other,

Tabel 5. Distance matrix values based on ISSR data between 13 species of *Pandanus*.

	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S8	S13	S14	S21	S23	S24	S25	S26
S1	1.000												
S2	0.750	1.000											
S3	0.529	0.412	1.000										
S4	0.488	0.488	0.745	1.000									
S5	0.667	0.733	0.450	0.511	1.000								
S8	0.550	0.500	0.480	0.702	0.565	1.000							
S13	0.333	0.444	0.286	0.286	0.333	0.353	1.000						
S14	0.600	0.733	0.350	0.426	0.778	0.565	0.333	1.000					
S21	0.522	0.478	0.464	0.635	0.538	0.774	0.250	0.577	1.000				
S23	0.563	0.563	0.714	0.694	0.526	0.625	0.462	0.526	0.519	1.000			
S24	0.625	0.688	0.429	0.490	0.789	0.667	0.308	0.842	0.593	0.550	1.000		
S25	0.667	0.733	0.350	0.468	0.833	0.565	0.333	0.889	0.577	0.526	0.842	1.000	
S26	0.545	0.545	0.558	0.760	0.513	0.735	0.444	0.462	0.618	0.732	0.537	0.513	1.000

Tabel 6. Distance matrix values based on ISSR data between 6 species of *Freycinetia*.

	S6	S7	S12	S19	S20	S22
S6	1.000					
S7	0.833	1.000				
S12	0.313	0.385	1.000			
S19	0.649	0.581	0.296	1.000		
S20	0.872	0.848	0.345	0.647	1.000	
S22	0.905	0.833	0.375	0.595	0.923	1.000

while the lowest distance was detected between *Freycinetia insignis* and *Freycinetia scandens* (0.296). High distance relationship was also observed between *Freycinetia sumatrana* and *Freycinetia javanica* (0.872), *Freycinetia imbricata* and *Freycinetia javanica* (0.905), *Freycinetia sumatrana* and *Freycinetia angustifolia* (0.848), *Freycinetia angustifolia* and *Freycinetia javanica* (0.833) and *Freycinetia imbricata* and *Freycinetia angustifolia* (0.833). The distance in other species varied from 0.313 (*Freycinetia scandens* and *Freycinetia javanica*) to 0.649 (*Freycinetia insignis* and *Freycinetia javanica*) (Table 6).

The wide variation in genetic distance among 13 species of *Pandanus* and 6 species of *Freycinetia* revealed by ISSR technique reflected a high level of polymorphism at the DNA level. *P. multifurcatus* and *F. scandens* as a separate species distinct from the others, which are likely to be independent species. Thus ISSR based molecular markers was able to distinguish difference between species.

Smallest distance value (0.250) is recorded

between *P. multifurcatus* and *P. amaryllifolius*, and (0.296) between *F. insignis* and *F. scandens* suggest a relatively high degree of genetic similarities between these species, on the other hand, higher distance values are observed between *P. scabrifolius* and *P. nitidus* (0.889), and between *F. sumatrana* and *F. imbricata* (0.923). It may be assumed that these species represent the maximum of divergence.

Cluster analysis

Dendrogram for 13 species of *Pandanus* based on ISSR markers shown as in Fig. 3. In this dendrogram, they could be divided into three groups. Group 1 contained 6 species, such as *P. bantamensis*, *P. tectorius*, *P. odoratissimus*, *P. nitidus*, *P. scabrifolius* and *P. kurzii*. Group 2 contained also of six species, such as *P. bidur*, *P. polyccephalus*, *P. spinistigmaticus*, *P. dubius*, *P. pseudolais* and *P. amaryllifolius*. Group 3 only contained one species, i.e *P. multifurcatus*. Dendrogram for 6 species of *Freycinetia* based on ISSR markers shown as in

Fig. 4. In this dendrogram, they could be divided into two groups. Group 1 consisted five species, such as *F. javanica*, *F. sumatrana*, *F. imbricata*, *F. angutifolia* and *F. insignis*. Group 2 consisted of one species, i.e *F. scandens*.

DISCUSSION

Molecular marker techniques, such as RAPD and ISSR, have been used to assess genetic diversity of *Ficus* spp., *Morus* spp and *Pandanus* spp (Rout & Aparajita 2009; Awasthi et al. 2004; Sarile & Manguito 2004; Panda et al. 2009). Based on Nei's estimates of genetic diversity, the highest diversity was found between *P. scabrifolius* and *P. nitidus* (0.889), with *P. amaryllifolius* and *P. multifurcatus* exhibiting the lowest diversity (0.250), whereas in *Freycinetia*, the highest diversity was found between *F. sumatrana* and *F. imbricata* (0.923) with *F. insignis* and *F. scandens* exhibiting the lowest diversity (0.296). Genetic diversity among these *Pandanus* species and *Freycinetia* species was low when compared with another outcrossing species *Morus* (Awasthi et al. 2004), where ISSR-based genetic diversity between species ranged from 0.419 (*M. rubra*-*M. bombycis*) to 0.885 (*M. nigra*-*M. tiloefolia*). However, the genetic diversity estimate among *Pandanus* species and *Freycinetia* species are comparable with another species *Ficus*, where ISSR-band genetic diversity between species ranged from 0.24 (*F. bhengalensis*-*F. krisnae*) to 0.81 (*F. amottina*-*F. virens*) (Rout et al. 2009). An RAPD-based study reported that in *P. amaryllifolius* and *P. dubius* detected similar (88%) DNA polymorphism (Sarile & Manguito 2004).

The high genetic distance value 0.29–0.889 in *Pandanus*, and 0.296–0.923 in *Freycinetia* species indicated that they posses several different genetic variations, because the genetic difference was obvious among species of *Pandanus*, and among species of *Freycinetia*. Genetic diversity in a species is affected by a number of evolutionary factors including mating system, gene flow, seed dispersal, geographical range as well as natural selection (Hamrick & Godt 1989). Of these factors, breeding system and geographical range are factors that affect the levels of genetic variation in a species (Barret et al 2004).

Maintenance of genetic variability to a maximal extent at the species level will tend to prevent extinction. This is achieved by various devices which enforce or promote outcrossing, such as dioecism, anemophily. Dioecious species, such as

Pandanus and *Freycinetia*, will harbor a high levels of outcrossing. Outcrossing species which is characterized by production of abundant pollen (Darjanto & Satifah 1982) is generally more genetically diverse (Schultz 2009), and anemophily species such as *Pandanus* spp will tend not only to promote outcrossing, but also to promote it over a relatively wide area. The high genetic distance in *Pandanus* is 0.29–0.889, and it is 0.296–0.923 in *Freycinetia*. Both reveal a fairly good value to support the broad range of distribution sites, and the outcrossing devices could potentially circulate genetic material actively (Carlquist 1966).

High genetic diversity is important, besides as a safeguard against co-evolving biotic factors such as pests and diseases (Namkoong 1986), also allow *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* species to adjust to the ever-changing environment in Java due to the natural or human factors (Chamberlain & Hubert 2001; Hedrick 2004). An overall loss of genetic variability usually has deleterious effects on species fitness and it may threaten the ability of population to survive and persist via natural regeneration (Reed 2003; Kremer & Reviron 2004).

Assessing the level and distribution of genetic diversity within plant species is crucial for their management and the development of effective conservation strategies (Hedrick 2004).

CONCLUSION

The present findings strengthened previous reports that ISSR markers can be used effectively to estimate genetic diversity of the genus *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia* at species level. Six primers generated 50 scorable bands in *Pandanus* and 32 bands in *Freycinetia* which is 87.5% of them were polymorphic. The range of genetic dissimilarity value among species of *Pandanus* was 0.250–0.889 and 0.296–0.923 among species of *Freycinetia*. These values showed that 13 species of *Pandanus* and 6 species of *Freycinetia* from Java have high genetic diversity. Future study by using of other molecular markers, especially AFLP and SSR should also be carried out in order to determine genetic diversity among other species of *Pandanus* and *Freycinetia*.

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