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23 **Abstract**

24 **BACKGROUND:** Low growth temperatures and the special light qualities of midnight sun in
25 Northern Scandinavia, have both been shown to improve eating quality of swede root bulbs.

26 To study the combined effect of these factors on root development and sensory-related
27 compounds, plants were grown in phytotron under different 24 h supplemental LED light
28 colours, at constant 15 °C, or reduced end-of-season temperature at 9 °C.

29 **RESULTS:** Far-red LED (730 nm) light induced longer leaves and produced more roundly
30 shaped bulbs, than the other light quality treatments. At constant 15 °C, supplemental light of
31 far-red LED also produced a stronger purple crown skin colour than the other LED
32 treatments. This difference between light quality treatments disappeared at 9 °C, as all bulb
33 crowns developed purple colour. There were no significant effects of LED-supplements on
34 sugar concentrations, while the reduced temperature on average did increase concentrations of
35 *D*-fructose and *D*-glucose. Total glucosinolate concentrations were not different among
36 treatments, although the most abundant glucosinolate, progoitrin, on average was present in
37 highest concentration under LEDs containing far-red light, and in lower concentration at 9 °C
38 compared to 15 °C.

39 **CONCLUSION:** The light quality of 24 h photoperiods in combination with temperature
40 appears primarily important for growth and morphological traits in swede root bulbs.
41 Influence of light quality and low temperature on appearance and sensory-related compounds
42 may be utilized in marketing of root vegetables with special quality related to growth
43 conditions of high latitude origin.

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45 **Keywords:** glucosinolates, light quality, morphology, temperature, swede, sugars

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47 **Introduction**

48 Swede (or rutabaga) (*Brassica napus* L. ssp. *rapifera* Metzg.) is a root vegetable crop, mostly
49 grown in northern regions of Europe and North America. In Northern Scandinavian countries,
50 it comprises about 10% of the total vegetable consumption; being one of the few vegetables
51 produced almost 100% domestically. It is commonly prepared freshly cut or cooked/mashed,
52 and is important in the Scandinavian cuisine as an integral part of several festive dishes. With
53 origins from Fennoscandia, swede roots were historically an important source of vitamin C
54 and carbohydrates, predating potato as a key winter storage staple in the north (1). It also
55 contains the secondary metabolite class glucosinolates (GLS), with potential dietary health
56 benefits (2,3). The swede vegetable is an enlarged bulb of the stem base (hypocotyl) and
57 upper part of the main root, developing in the first year of a biennial life cycle. Swede
58 production is well suited for low temperatures, and root bulbs can be produced at average
59 summer temperatures of 10-12 °C at Arctic latitudes in Scandinavia (4). These low growth
60 temperatures seem to enhance especially sweet taste and other desirable sensory properties
61 (5). Very long day lengths above the Arctic Circle also gives more rapid bulb growth than
62 further south, which also contributes to an improved eating quality (4,6).

63 In general, plants sense diurnal changes in light and darkness by adjusting endogenous
64 rhythms in response to inputs from blue light-receptors cryptochromes and zeitlupes, and
65 red/far-red light detecting phytochromes (7). The summer season at latitudes above the Arctic
66 Circle, however, has a 24 h photoperiod, with no distinct dark periods to reset internal clock
67 factors to alternating light/dark cycles. At lower Arctic latitudes there are also prolonged
68 periods with low solar elevation at night, where the solar spectrum is shifted towards red and
69 far-red light (8). In addition, due to the low irradiance of low solar angles, the temperature at
70 night can drop to around 5-6 °C. Furthermore, mean daily temperatures also drop in autumn
71 above the Arctic Circle, due to the rapidly decreasing daytime solar elevations. This may

72 especially be significant for phytochrome function in the north, as red:far-red perception is
73 also dependent on the ambient temperature (9).

74 Soluble sugars are among the primary determinants for sweet taste in *Brassica*
75 vegetables, and swede root bulbs normally contains more than fifty percent soluble sugars per
76 dry matter (5). *D*-glucose, *D*-fructose and sucrose accumulates during the season in the
77 growing tuber organ, as an energy store for later flowering/seed production (10). The
78 concentration of sugars in swede also increases in response to lower air temperatures in
79 autumn/winter, as seen in frost-free areas of Scotland, UK and southern Ontario, Canada (11,
80 12). The same is also true for cool growth temperatures, when tested under Arctic summer
81 light conditions (5). Different day length conditions does not appear to influence sugar
82 concentrations in swede at moderate temperatures close to 15 °C (6), although this has not
83 been studied for lower temperatures.

84 GLS is a large family of defense-related sulphur containing glucoside-compounds,
85 which are almost uniquely found within the *Brassicaceae* order (13). Their breakdown
86 products contribute to *Brassica* specific flavors, pungency and bitter taste. The aliphatic GLS
87 sinigrin and progoitrin are extremely potent bitter agents (14), and progoitrin is one of the
88 major glucosinolate types in swede (15). High ingestion of the metabolite goitrin can have
89 negative (goitrogenic) effects on animal health (16). However, normal *Brassica* consumption
90 by humans gives relatively low thiocyanate-doses, and reports of damages are extremely rare.
91 Both light and temperature affect the accumulation of GLS in Brassicas (17). For swede, low
92 growth temperatures under Arctic light conditions greatly reduces the progoitrin
93 concentration, while warm growth temperatures elevates the concentration associated with a
94 stronger bitter taste (5). In *Arabidopsis* there is diurnal upregulation of GLS biosynthesis in
95 light (18), although the presence of 24 h midnight sun above the Arctic Circle on the other
96 hand reduces progoitrin in swede root bulbs (6).

97 Northern light conditions above the Arctic Circle have on average 3-4 h longer daily
98 photosynthetic light periods in summer than at lower latitudes in Fennoscandia, which in
99 some varieties can compensate for sub-optimal temperatures (19). For swede, the presence of
100 very long photosynthetic light periods gives a more rapid bulb growth compared to shorter
101 day length conditions (6). In addition, in the presence of far-red rich solar irradiation at night
102 there appears a reduction in GLS content of root bulbs. It is thus possible that diurnal spectral
103 variation in the midnight sun period in combination with low growth temperature in late
104 summer, affects GLS and the eating quality of swede at these latitudes.

105 The main aim of this study was therefore to investigate if there are effects of
106 temperature and LED light qualities under very long photoperiods on growth, morphology
107 and concentrations of GLS and sugars in swede, and secondly to see if there is an interaction
108 between these two factors, under controlled conditions in phytotron.

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110 **Materials and methods**

111 *Plant materials and growth conditions*

112 The experiment was performed in climate controlled growth chambers at the phytotron of the
113 University of Tromsø. Swede seeds of the Norwegian cultivar ‘Vigod’ were sown in a moist
114 mixture of standard fertilized peat soil (Floralux® Nittedal torvindustri, Arneberg, Norway)
115 and perlite (70/30 volume) at 21 °C, and upon germination transferred to 15 °C and 24 h
116 fluorescent growth light. Temperature was maintained constant at (± 0.5 °C), and relative
117 humidity adjusted to give a water vapour deficit of 0.5 kPa. Ninety-six seedlings were
118 transplanted individually after 5 weeks each to a 7.5 liter pot containing new (70/30
119 volume, soil/perlite) growth substrate, with an addition of 9 g NPK mineral fertilizer
120 (Fullgjødsel ® Yara Norge AS, Oslo, Norway) giving 1, 0.4 and 0.6 g NPK per plant,
121 respectively. Boron was also supplied, with 0.1 g Borax (Searls Valley Minerals, Trona,

122 California, US) per plant. During further growth, the plants were watered daily on-demand,
123 and water content was controlled and adjusted weekly by weight.

124 After 6 weeks, all plants were transferred to dark chambers at 15 °C with 18 h daily
125 photosynthetic active radiation, between 400-700 nm from fluorescent growth light (Phillips
126 TLD 840, 150-200 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$). Here, 16 plants per treatment were subjected to the
127 following 24h supplement of different LED colours (Cluster LED 32, Flowmagic Agro LED,
128 Kwintsheul, Netherlands) at a total 10 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ irradiance for each LED-treatment (Table
129 1). Positive control treatment were included by 6 h day length extension control of fluorescent
130 light bulbs (Energy Saver Osram DUlux 41-827 at 10-15 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$), and negative control
131 as 6 h darkness at night. Sixtyfive days after treatments started, eight plants within each
132 treatment were transferred to identical light set ups at 9 °C. After a further 35 days, individual
133 plants and root bulbs were measured and harvested in the morning and stored for 78 days in
134 ventilated vegetable bags (polyethylene) at 0.5 °C. Then the individual roots were peeled, cut
135 to approximately 1 cm cubes, thoroughly mixed and 100 g fresh mass cubes were rapidly
136 frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80 °C. All samples were weighed before
137 lyophilization for 96 hours, and dry matter content was calculated based on difference
138 between weight before and after. Dry sample cubes were ground to fine powder using
139 porcelain mortar and pestle, and stored at -20 °C for 1-2 weeks until chemical analyses.

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141 *Soluble sugar contents*

142 Freeze-dried samples of 50 mg were dissolved in 50 ml distilled water for one hour at room
143 temperature, before centrifugation at 5'000 rpm for 10 min and transfer of clear supernatant to
144 a new tube. Aliquots of 100 μl were then analyzed for soluble sugars by enzymatic assay
145 according the instructions of the Boehringer Mannheim Sucrose/D-Glucose/D-Fructose UV

146 method (Cat.no. 10 716 260 035, R-Biopharm AG, Darmstadt, Germany). Concentrations
147 were measured on a UV-visible light spectrophotometer at 340 nm (Smartspec Plus
148 Spectrophotometer, Bio-Rad, Hercules, CA, USA).

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150 *Glucosinolate contents*

151 Freeze-dried samples of 40 mg were pre-heated to 70 °C in 2.0 ml Eppendorf-tubes, before
152 addition of 1.5 mL 70% methanol and 20 µL of Glucotropaeolin standard (50 µM, A
153 AppliChem GmbH, Darmstadt, Germany). Tubes were immediately placed in a heating block
154 at 70 °C for 30 min, and briefly mixed in a vortex mixer every fifth minute. Vegetable debris
155 were centrifuged to the bottom at 13'000 rpm for 10 min at room temperature, and clear
156 supernatant was transferred to a new tube and reduced to dryness in a Speed-Vac. The pellets
157 were re-dissolved and vortexed in 500 µL MilliQ purified water, and passed through 0.45 µm
158 centrifugal filters (VWR, Brooklyn, NY, US) by spinning briefly at 13'000 rpm at room
159 temperature. The filtrate was transferred to HPLC sample vials. All samples were extracted
160 and analyzed in randomized order by UPLC-HR-MS on a Waters Acquity UPLC (Milford,
161 MA), coupled to Waters LCT-Premier time-of-flight MS with electrospray ionization. The
162 extracts were separated on a Waters Acquity charged surface hybrid (CSH) C18 column (2.1
163 x 50 µm, 1.7 µm) using a gradient of 2-30% acetonitrile in water (both containing 0.1%
164 formic acid) over 4 min at a flow rate of 0.6 ml/min. The injection volume was 1.00 µL, and
165 the column temperature was kept at 40 °C. The glucosinolates were analyzed by negative
166 electrospray ionization and m/z data from 150 to 1000 were acquired at a scan time of 0.25 s.
167 Capillary and cone voltages were set at 2.4 kV and 50 V, respectively, while source and de-
168 solvation temperatures were set to 120 and 300 °C, respectively. Nitrogen was used as de-
169 solvation gas at 450 L/min. The MS was tuned to a resolution of 10,000 (FWHM) and

170 leucine-enkephaline was infused through the reference probe for internal calibration during
171 data acquisition. The peak for each glucosinolate (accurate mass ± 0.05 Da) was integrated and
172 the endogenous amounts were calculated based on the response of the internal standard.

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174 *Statistical analyses*

175 All statistical analyses were performed using Minitab® version 16.1.0 (Minitab Inc., State
176 College, PA, USA). Two-way ANOVA was used for analyses of effects of light quality and
177 end-of-season temperature, with both factors defined as fixed variables. In addition, pairwise
178 comparisons test were performed using Tukey with α set at 0.05.

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181 **Results**

182 *Effects of LED light and temperature on growth*

183 Day length supplement with LED light had a significant effect on all measured growth
184 parameters and yield (Table 2). The number of leaves (above 5 cm length), were lower under
185 far-red LED light and in darkness control, compared to blue and red light. The number of
186 leaves under R + FR and low irradiance supplement on the other hand were not different from
187 red, far-red or darkness. Both treatments with FR light produced longer leaves than all the
188 other treatments. The root bulbs also had lower root shape index (diameter/height) under both
189 treatments FR light and R + FR light, and thus had a more round shape. All supplements with
190 LED and low intensity fluorescent light produced a higher dry matter content of leaves than
191 control treatment with darkness at night. The fresh weight of root bulbs reflected the leaf
192 biomass, with lowest root fresh weight for the darkness control treatment. The dry matter

193 content in bulbs was generally lower in LED light containing far-red and in the dark control,
194 compared to the other light treatments, and lower at 15 °C end of season temperature.

195 The treatments with reduced temperature 9 °C during the period of root bulb growth,
196 also resulted in significantly lower number of leaves and lower dry matter leaf biomass than at
197 constant 15 °C (Table 2). The root bulb fresh mass was thus also lower for the treatments at 9
198 °C, compared to 15 °C. There was no significant interaction between temperature and light
199 treatments for plant growth parameters, except for dry matter content of root bulbs and a weak
200 interaction for leaf length. However, there were no significant differences in leaf length
201 between all treatments, nor for dry matter content between the LED treatments. The skin
202 colour of the crown was dark purple in all roots grown at 9 °C, and in the roots with
203 supplement of far-red, low irradiance fluorescent and darkness at constant 15 °C. Root bulbs
204 from the other LED treatments at 15 °C were light purple in the crown (Figure 1).

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206 *Effect of light quality and temperature on glucosinolates in peeled roots*

207 Eleven glucosinolates were detected in the root bulb flesh, including six aliphatic, four
208 indolic and one aromatic glucosinolate. The aliphatic glucosinolates were in decreasing order
209 of concentrations: progoitrin (PRO), glucoberteroin (GBT), glucoerucin (GER),
210 gluconapoleiferin (GNP), glucoalyssin (GAL) and glucoraphanin, which altogether
211 comprised 84-86% of the total glucosinolate content. The concentration of indolic
212 glucosinolates were in decreasing order glucobrassicin (GBR), neo-glucobrassicin (neo-
213 GBR), 4-methoxy-glucobrassicin and 4-hydroxy-glucobrassicin. The total content of indolic
214 GLS was similar to the content of the aromatic gluconasturtin (7-8% of the total content).
215 Some glucosinolates in concentrations below 0.2 µmol/g DM were not detected in all
216 samples. Only GLS types above this concentration were analysed statistically for influence of
217 light quality and temperature (Table 3). There was a significant effect of light quality

218 supplement for five of the detected glucosinolates. On average (across two temperatures),
219 progoitrin were in lowest concentration under day length extension with fluorescent white
220 light, which also was the case for glucoerucin and glucobrassicin. Progoitrin were detected in
221 highest concentration under far-red light and glucoerucin under red light. Gluconapoleiferin
222 and the indolic glucobrassicin, neo-glucobrassicin and 4-methoxy-glucobrassicin were
223 detected on average in highest concentration with no day light extension. Total indolic GLS
224 were therefore highest when there was a distinct 6 h dark period as part of the photoperiod.
225 Total aliphatic GLS were not significantly influenced by LED light qualities nor the
226 photoperiod.

227 On average (across light qualities), low temperature of 9 °C during the development of
228 the root bulb resulted in lower concentration of progoitrin and 4-methoxy-glucobrassicin and
229 higher concentration of glucoallysin and glucobrassicin, compared to 15 °C. However, the
230 total content of glucosinolates were not affected significantly by the reduced temperature.
231 Temperature interacted with light quality for only glucobrassicin, resulting in higher
232 concentration in red light at reduced 9 °C temperature compared to constant 15 °C.

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234 *Effect of light quality and temperature on sugars in peeled roots*

235 There were no significant differences between the different light treatments for concentrations
236 of sucrose, *D*-glucose and *D*-fructose. However, there was a strong effect of temperature
237 during root bulb development, with significantly higher concentrations of *D*-glucose and *D*-
238 fructose in root bulbs at 9 °C compared to at 15 °C (Figure 2). There was no significant
239 interaction between light and temperature treatments for sugar content.

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241 **Discussion**

242 The results of the current study demonstrate an effect of both temperature and light quality of
243 24h photoperiods on growth and morphology of swede roots. The main effect of reduced
244 temperature during bulb development was a reduction of growth rate, as previously seen in
245 phytotron-experiments under natural light (5). For the effects of light quality, the unique
246 influence of LED treatments containing far-red in causing longer leaves and more roundly
247 shaped root bulbs, strongly suggest an involvement of phytochrome(s) with an excessive
248 elongation similar to low R:FR shade-avoidance responses (20). The wavelength maximum of
249 the used far-red LED at 730 nm, also fits well with observed maximum absorption- and
250 action-spectra of phytochrome P_{fr}-isomers (21,22). A similar experimental set-up using the
251 same LEDs for broccoli, also resulted in longer plant height under far-red light (23). The
252 presence of far-red light or darkness may also be important for the intensity of violet crown
253 colour in swede, as these treatments appeared to counteract the previously observed effect of
254 warm growth temperature reducing the intensity of violet crown colour (5). It is, however,
255 difficult to distinguish if our observed far-red effects are attributable to shade-avoidance/end-
256 of-day far-red or a photoperiodic response, although far-red results grouping together with 6 h
257 darkness control for some responses may support the former. On the other hand, for broccoli
258 there are no similarities between a 12 h darkness and supplemental far-red LED in growth
259 responses, indicating a photoperiodic response to far-red light (23).

260 The observation of some specific GLS types at highest concentration in 6 h darkness at
261 night, and lowest concentration in 24 h white light, largely agrees with results of a previous
262 phytotron study of swede under 24 h natural light at 69.7°N 18.9°E (6). Similar effects of 24 h
263 versus 12 h photoperiod was also observed for GLS accumulation in curly kale and broccoli
264 (23, 24). This does suggest that diurnal light/dark cycling is positive for GLS accumulation in
265 *Brassica*, as opposed to in photoperiods of 24 h light at high latitudes. This is unexpected,
266 considering that light is indeed positive for progoitrin concentrations in swede seedlings (25).

267 The influence of LED colours used in the current study were small for GLS, except for higher
268 levels of progoitrin under far-red supplemental light. This is in contrast to broccoli florets,
269 which has lowest total GLS contents under far-red LEDs (23). In field trials of turnip,
270 including reflective coloured mulches and different coloured nets above plants, there was on
271 the other hand little influence of light quality on GLS in root bulbs and greens (26, 27). It is
272 thus difficult to conclude how light qualities may affect GLS across *Brassica* species and
273 cultivars, and within different plant parts.

274 The observation of larger concentration of sugars at low versus high end-of-season
275 temperature, confirms the findings of several studies of swede root bulbs. Another study of
276 the same cultivar under 24 h natural light (69.7°N 18.9°E), also revealed a negative relation
277 for sugar concentrations over a larger temperature range from 6 °C to 21 °C than in the
278 current study (5). High sugar levels have also been observed at low temperatures in several
279 field studies at contrasting day length conditions in winter at southern latitudes, and at
280 northern versus southern latitudes in summer in Scandinavia (4, 28, 29). The latter also
281 included a comparison entailing longer day lengths for the northern sites, but the results of the
282 current study and previous comparisons of different day lengths in phytotron (69.7°N 18.9°E)
283 do not show any effect of light conditions on sugars in swede (6). In broccoli however, there
284 is an interaction between warm temperature and far-red LED light in 24 h day length,
285 elevating concentrations of D-fructose compared to a lower temperature (23). In seedlings of
286 *Brassica*, the composition of soluble sugars varies greatly across species under different
287 supplemental LED light colours (30). This illustrates the need for more trials of other crucifer
288 species and varieties under different light and temperature regimes. It is also worthwhile to
289 consider if relatively small changes in sugar levels may still have an influence on sensory
290 quality, as perception of sweet/bitter taste in *Brassicaceae* is co-dependent on concentrations of
291 bitter GLS types (31). The observed increase of progoitrin under far-red light could therefore

292 have implications for sweet/bitter taste in swede root bulbs, although the maximum
293 concentration difference of $0.8 \mu\text{mol g}^{-1}$ between light qualities is rather modest compared to
294 the $8.6 \mu\text{mol g}^{-1}$ difference between temperatures ranging from 9 to 21 °C (5).

295 In conclusion, the light quality of 24 h photoperiods appears to be important for
296 growth and morphological traits in swede, and may influence some sensory related GLS.
297 Furthermore, the presence of end-of-season low temperatures can increase sugar levels and
298 reduce the bitter progoitrin, which may be used in marketing of swede products from Arctic
299 growth conditions with special appearance and sensory quality.

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379 **Figure legends**

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381 Figure 1. Crown skin colour development of Swede roots grown under 24 h photoperiod with
382 (A) supplement red LED at constant 15 °C and (B) supplement far-red LED at reduced end-
383 of-season temperature 9 °C (last 35 days).

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385 Figure 2. Concentrations of soluble sugars in peeled swede root bulbs at different temperature
386 regimes during bulb development. Average results across six light treatments (n= 26) with
387 standard error mean indicated with bars, and statistical difference with corresponding p-
388 values.

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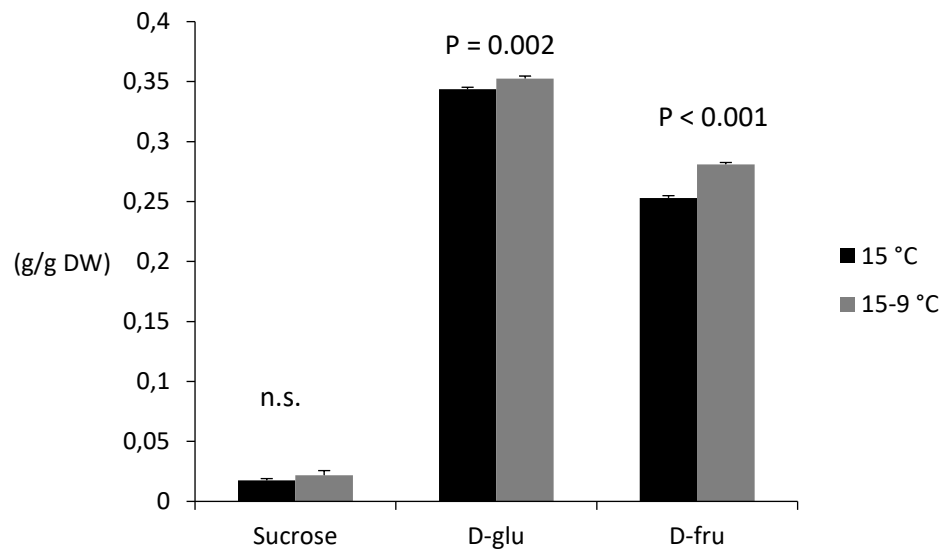


Figure 2.

390 Table 1. Experimental end-of-season temperature and light quality as supplement to 18 h
 391 daily photosynthetic fluorescent light, including: coloured light emitting diodes (LED), low
 392 irradiance (l.i.) fluorescent light or darkness at night.

No.	Light quality (duration)	Temperature (period)
1.	Red LED (24 h)	15°C (100 days)
2.	Far-red LED (24 h)	15°C (100 days)
3.	Red:far-red LED (1:1) (24 h)	15°C (100 days)
4.	Blue LED (24 h)	15°C (100 days)
5.	l.i. fluorescent (6h night)	15°C (100 days)
6.	Darkness (6h night)	15°C (100 days)
7.	Red LED (24 h)	15°C (65 days) – 9 °C (35 days)
8.	Far-red LED (24 h)	15°C (65 days) – 9 °C (35 days)
9.	Red:far-red LED (1:1) (24 h)	15°C (65 days) – 9 °C (35 days)
10.	Blue LED (24 h)	15°C (65 days) – 9 °C (35 days)
11.	l.i. fluorescent (6h night)	15°C (65 days) – 9 °C (35 days)
12.	Darkness (6h night)	15°C (65 days) – 9 °C (35 days)

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395 Table 2. Effects of light quality and temperature on growth and development of swede plants
 396 (*Brassica napus* L. ssp. *rapifera* Metzg.) and root bulbs. Growth conditions included 18 h
 397 daily fluorescent growth light for all plants, with either 24h LED supplement of red(R), far-
 398 red(FR), blue(B), supplement of 6h low intensity fluorescent light or 6 h darkness at night.
 399 These were given in combination with temperature regimes of either constant 15 °C (100 d)
 400 or 15 °C (65 d) followed by 9 °C (66 -100 d). Significant difference (Tukey, $p \leq 0.05$) within
 401 columns are indicated with different letters, and corresponding GLM-ANOVA p-values.
 402 Sample size $n = 7-8$ individual roots per treatment.
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Treatment	No. of leaves	Leaf length (cm)	Leaf DM (g)	Root FM (g)	Root DM (%)	Root shape index [†]
15°C						
24h LED R	12.0 ab	40.1 c	14.6 ab	802 ab	12.0 bc	1.80 a
24h LED FR	10.8 abcde	47.8 ab	13.5 abc	814 a	11.0 cd	1.63 bcd
24h LED R+FR	10.9 abcd	49.4 a	14.8 a	790 abc	11.7 bcd	1.62 cd
24h LED B	12.3 a	38.7 c	14.7 a	816 a	11.8 bcd	1.77 ab
6h l.i. fluorescent	11.3 abc	39.3 c	14.7 a	770 abcd	11.5 bcd	1.76 abc
6h darkness (control)	11.1 abcd	39.1 c	12.1 bcd	652 ef	10.9 d	1.70 abcd
15°C-9°C						
24h LED R	10.0 bcdef	37.2 c	12.6 abcd	702 cdef	12.4 b	1.73 abc
24h LED FR	8.5 f	51.8 a	12.1 bcd	778 abc	11.9 bcd	1.62 cd
24h LED R+FR	8.8 ef	49.6 a	11.7 cd	708 bcdef	11.5 bcd	1.57 d
24h LED B	9.9 cdef	41.4 c	12.0 cd	740 abcde	12.6 b	1.73 abc
6h l.i. fluorescent	9.1 def	36.9 c	11.4 cd	675 def	13.8 a	1.70 abcd
6h darkness (control)	8.4 f	43.0 bc	10.0 d	626 f	12.3 b	1.73 abc
p-values						
Light quality (L)	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Temperature (T)	<0.001	n.s.	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.075
L x T	n.s.	0.016	n.s.	n.s.	<0.001	n.s.

404 [†]Root diameter/root height

405 Table 3. Effects of light quality (L) and temperature (T) on glucosinolate (GLS) concentrations ($\mu\text{mol g}^{-1}$ DM) in peeled root bulbs of swede.
 406 Light quality treatments included: 24h LED supplement of red (R), far-red (FR) and blue (B), 6h day length extension with low irradiance white
 407 (W) fluorescent light or 6h darkness (D) at night. Temperature treatments were constant 15 °C for 100 days or 15 °C for 65 days followed by
 408 reduced 9 °C for 35 days. Significant difference (Tukey, $p \leq 0.05$) within columns are indicated with different letters, and corresponding GLM-
 409 ANOVA p-values. Sample size n = 7-8 individual roots per treatment.

Treatment	GER [†]	PRO	GBT	GAL	GNP	GNS	GBR	NGB	Alifatic GLS	Indolic GLS	Total GLS
15°C											
24h LED R	1.09	4.09 ab	2.89	0.60	0.92	0.91	0.23 c	0.30 abc	9.87	0.62 b	11.40
24h LED FR	1.03	4.44 a	2.87	0.61	0.78	0.90	0.26 abc	0.28 bc	10.07	0.62 b	11.60
24h LED R+FR	0.95	4.24 ab	2.77	0.66	0.85	0.83	0.24 c	0.33 abc	9.78	0.66 b	11.27
24h LED B	1.05	3.56 ab	2.75	0.59	0.85	0.84	0.26 abc	0.33 abc	9.07	0.68 b	10.59
6h W	0.89	3.54 ab	2.52	0.64	0.96	0.75	0.22 c	0.47 ab	8.79	0.80 ab	10.34
6h D	0.98	3.64 ab	2.79	0.61	0.95	0.78	0.40 ab	0.50 a	9.55	1.05 a	11.44
15°C-9°C											
24h LED R	1.09	3.29 ab	2.81	0.73	0.94	0.98	0.40 a	0.40 abc	9.23	0.89 ab	11.1
24h LED FR	0.96	3.78 ab	2.49	0.67	0.71	0.98	0.34 abc	0.27 c	8.97	0.69 b	10.64
24h LED R+FR	1.12	3.92 ab	2.91	0.80	0.77	0.96	0.31 abc	0.29 bc	10.08	0.70 b	11.75
24h LED B	1.00	3.29 ab	2.49	0.70	0.77	0.76	0.33 abc	0.36 abc	8.60	0.78 ab	10.13

6h W	0.88	2.95 b	2.34	0.68	0.77	0.80	0.30 abc	0.40 abc	8.01	0.77 ab	9.58
6h D	1.09	3.76 ab	2.69	0.74	0.96	0.89	0.34 abc	0.39 abc	9.54	0.82 ab	11.25
p-values											
Light quality (L)	0.045	0.023	n.s.	n.s.	0.020	n.s.	0.029	<0.001	n.s.	<0.001	n.s.
Temperature (T)	n.s.	0.015	n.s.	<0.001	n.s.	n.s.	<0.001	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.
L x T	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	0.037	n.s.	n.s.	0.008	n.s.

410 †Glucoerucin (GER), progoitrin (PRO), glucobroteroin (GBT), glucoallysin (GAL), gluconapoleiferin (GNP), gluconasturtiin (GNS), glucobrassicin (GBR), neo-glucobrassicin
411 (NGB)