# The Revealing of Morphological Variability and Characterization of Some Confectionery Pumpkin 

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#### Abstract

In this study, it was aimed to examine some morphological features and determine the proximity between genotypes in 105 confectionary pumpkins lines (Cucurbita pepo L.), which were determined as promising at S 4 level. In the study, some observations and measurements of plants including fruit and seed characteristics were taken. The appearance of plant genotypes are; $81.9 \%$ erect, $15.2 \%$ clutching, $0.9 \%$ semi-clutching; while the degree of branching of the genotypes was found to be $32.3 \%$ weak, $47.7 \%$ moderate, $22.8 \%$ high, and it was determined as $84.7 \%$ branched and $15.3 \%$ bush type. The body color of the genotypes has been found to be $49.5 \%$ green, $37.14 \%$ light green, $13.3 \%$ dark green. Leaf color was found as $64.7 \%$ green, $30.4 \%$ dark green, $4.7 \%$ light green, and leaf lobbing were determined as $1.9 \%$ low, $48.5 \%$ medium, $2.8 \%$ high, $4.7 \%$ excessive and $41.9 \%$ were defined as absent. The fruit spot density was determined as; $73.3 \%$ was low, $24.7 \%$ dense, $1.9 \%$ more spotted and $19.0 \%$ of the mature fruits was cream, $4.7 \%$ yellow, $0.9 \%$ green, $1.9 \%$ green-yellow, $4.7 \%$ dark-yellow, $28.6 \%$ light-yellow and $41.9 \%$ orange. The size of the mature fruits was $21.9 \%$ short, $38.0 \%$ medium and $40 \%$ long, while the diameter was determined as $62.8 \%$ long, $35.23 \%$ medium, and $3.8 \%$ narrow. The fruit size of genotypes respectively was; $14.2 \%$ of large, $36.1 \%$ medium, $50.4 \%$ small, and $0.9 \%$ small-medium. In order to determine the genetic diversity between genotypes, principal component analysis (PCA) and cluster analysis were performed and it was seen that genotypes were divided into 6 groups.


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## ÖZET

Bu çalışma, S 4 kademesinde ümitvar olarak belirlenmiş 105 adet çerezlik kabak hattında (Cucurbita pepo L.), bazı morfolojik özelliklerin incelenmesi ve genotipler arası yakınlıkların belirlenmesi amacıyla yapılmıştır. Çalışmada bitki, meyve ve tohum özelliklerine ait bazı gözlem ve ölçümler yapılmıştır. Genotiplerin bitki görünümü $\% 81.9$ dik, $\% 15.2$ sarılıcı ve $\% 0.9$ yarı sarılıcı bulunurken kol atma derecesi $\% 32.3$ 'ünde zayıf, $\% 47.7$ 'sinde orta $\% 22.8$ 'inde fazla bulunmuş, genotiplerin $\% 84.7$ 'ü kollu $\% 15$. ''i $^{\prime}$ kolsuz olarak saptanmıştır. Genotiplerin \%49.5’i yeşil, \%37.14’ü açık yeşil, \%13,3’ü ise koyu yeşil gövdeli olarak bulunmuştur. Genotiplerde yaprak rengi, \%64.7'sinde yeşil, \%30.4'ünde koyu yeşil, \%4.7'sinde açık yeşil; dilimlilik $\% 1.9$ 'unda az, $\% 48.5$ 'inde orta, $\% 2.8$ 'inde fazla, $\% 4.7$ 'sinde çok fazla, \%41.9'unda yok, olarak tanımlanmıştır. Meyve benek renginde, $\% 31.4$ 'ü yeşil, $\% 7.6^{\prime}$ sı turuncu, $\% 0.9$ 'u sarı, $\% 60$ 'ı krem; benek yoğunluğunda; \%73,3'ü az, \%24.7'si yoğun, $\% 1.9$ 'u fazla; meyve renginde, $\% 19.0$ 'u krem, $\% 4.7$ 'si sarı, $\% 0.9$ 'u yeşil, $\% 1.9$ 'u yeşil-sarı, \%4.7'si koyu-sarı, \%28.6'sı açık sarı, \%41.9'u turuncu olarak bulunmuştur. Tohumluk meyve boyu; \%21.9'unda kısa, \%38.0'inde

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orta, $\% 40$ 'ında uzun; meyve çapı $\% 62.8$ 'inde uzun, $\% 35.23$ 'ünde orta, \%3.8’inde dar olarak belirlenmiştir. Genotiplerin \%14.2'si iri, \%36.1’i orta, $\% 50.4$ 'ü küçük ve $\% 0.9$ küçük-orta meyve iriliğine sahip olmuştur. Genotipler arasındaki genetik çeşitliliğin belirlenmesi amacıyla, temel bileşenler analizi (PCA) ile cluster analizi yapılmış ve genotiplerin 6 gruba ayrıldığı görülmüştür.


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## INTRODUCTION

The Cucurbitaceae family have contained, herbaceous and annual plant species such as Cucurbita pepo, Cucurbita maxima and Cucurbita moschata that have great economic importance in the world and Turkey (Robinson and Decker-Walters, 1997). These species are used in human nutrition as well as in different industries. The pumpkin seeds have been consumed as confectionary in Turkey for many years, and their consumption has increased daily. Thus, a significant increase have seen in its production because of its nutritional value and benefit to human health in recent years (Ermiş, 2010). Pumpkin seeds contain high amounts of fat ( $40-50 \%$ ) and protein ( $30-40 \%$ ). It is also rich in carbohydrates ( $20-25 \%$ ) and vitamin E values (Abak et al., 1997; Türkmen et al., 2015). There are no registration in Turkey for confectionary pumpkin cultivars. For this reason, confectionery pumpkins cultivation is made using by local populations. Since local cultivars have been grown in the same region for many years, they were easily adapted to climate-changing and to other conditions. Productivity and quality are the main factors in cultivation and it is necessary to have a good practice of growing techniques and to have genetically ideal varieties. This is only possible with hybrid cultivars that are of a premium nature. Hybrid cultivars are combine the superior features and increase productivity. In the case of breeding of hybrid cultivars, it is first necessary to determine the characteristics of the genetic diversity of the core collection. Therefore, it is important to collect, preserve and include these varieties to the plant breeding programs without genetic loss. Conventional morphological markers are used in determining the genetic relationships among the plants. In vegetable breeding, it is always important to determine the variation of morphological characteristics among genetic resources. In Turkey, there are some studies conducted on the breeding of confectionary pumpkin by different researchers. Türkmen et al. (2016) examined the plant, leaf, flower, fruit and seed properties of 81 confectionary pumpkin lines at S 5 level according to UPOV parameters. It has been reported that some promising genotypes can contribute economy by being used in hybrid seed production in Turkey. In a study that conducted in Portugal, 20 morphological characteristics identified for Cucurbita spp. were used
to evaluate the diversity of 54 C . pepo, 32 C. maxima and $21 C$. moschata genotypes. The highest mean values were observed in C. pepo for fruit length, shell thickness and seed weight, $C$. maxima for fruit width and 1000 seed weight, and C. moschata genotypes for fruit weight and thickness (Martins et al., 2015). Multi-variable analysis are used to evaluate data obtained from qualified gen pools created within the reclamation programs (Alkan, 2011). In order to detect the variability of certain characteristics, morphological features must be thoroughly inspected. For this reason, "Multi-variable Statistical Analysis" have been developed (Çakır, 1994). Cluster Analysis is one of the many variable statistical methods that have particularly been popular in recent years. These features are used to determine the superior genotypes by utilizing the criteria prepared by UPOV. Usage of the data obtained after the characterization studies, the similarities and groupings among of genotypes can be easily displayed by using cluster analysis and principle component analysis (Karaağaç and Balkaya, 2010). Soltani et al. (2016) compared 11 C. pepo, C. moschata and $C$. maxima genotypes, 3 of which were open-pollinated, and it was observed that genotypes were divided into 6 basic groups in terms of fruit and seed characteristics in the cluster analysis.
The main goal of this study was to determine some morphological characteristics differences and similarities among the local and nonlocal confectionary pumpkin genotypes of Turkey and to find solutions to the seed problem for confectionary pumpkin producers for future breeding efforts.

## MATERIAL and METHODS

In the study, 105 prominent confectionary pumpkin genotypes (Cucurbita pepo L.) were used as plant material, which was previously selfed at S 4 level. Seed sowing was realized in plastic seedling trays filled with peat moss (one seed per cell) and 10 seeds were sown from each genotype. Within a week following the sowing, the plants emerged, when the seedlings were ready for planting five of each genotype were planted under greenhouse conditions and irrigated by drip irrigation method. Morphological observation criteria were prepared by using the modified UPOV variety feature document (UPOV, 2002). In this study, the plant appearance, branching, and its degree, stem and leaf color, lobbing on the leaf, presence and color of the
ring at the base of the petal and spot color and density in ripe fruits, fruit color, fruit height, fruit diameter, the height-diameter ratio in mature fruit (index), size, 1000 grain weight, seed color, and cracking ease of seed were determined (UPOV, 2002).
The pumpkin genotypes can be easily demonstrated by using the morphological data determined by the existing similarities-differences and groupings among genotypes by using cluster analysis and principal component analysis.
All data were evaluated with the WARD program, it was included in the JMP computer program for cluster analysis and promising genotypes were determined by factor analysis with Principle Component Analysis (PCA) (Ward, 1963).

## RESULTS and DISCUSSION

The plant appearance of the genotypes was found to be $81.9 \%$ erect, $15.2 \%$ clutching, $0.9 \%$ semi-clutching. The branching degree of the genotypes was found to be $47.7 \%$ moderate, $32.3 \%$ weak, $22.8 \%$ high and it was determined as $84.7 \%$ branched and $15.3 \%$ bush type. The body color of the genotypes was found as 49.5\% green, $37.14 \%$ light green, $13.3 \%$ dark green(Table 1). Seymen (2010) had determined that, 59 (47.5\%) of the confectionary pumpkin genotypes as erect, 49 (39.5\%) genotype as semi-clutching and 16 (12.5) genotype as clutching. While 58 (46.7\%) genotypes did not show branching, 66 (53.2) genotypes were observed, and 40 (32.2\%) of these genotypes were semi-branching. When the stem color was examined, 23 ( $18.5 \%$ ) of the genotypes were determined as light green, 28 (22.5\%) dark green, and 73 (58.8\%) green. Besides, Türkmen et al. (2016) determined the plant appearance of C. pepo genotypes as $37 \%$ erect, $31 \%$ semi-erect and $32 \%$ clutching, and branching status was $93 \%$ present and $7 \%$ absent. Leaf color was found as $64.7 \%$ green, $30.4 \%$ dark green, $4.7 \%$ light green, and leaf lobbing were determined as $1.9 \%$ low, $48.5 \%$ medium, $2.8 \%$ excess, $4.7 \%$ too much and $41.9 \%$ absent. The presence of the ring at the base of the crown was $81.9 \%$ absent, $18.0 \%$ present and the color of the ring at the crown base was $81.9 \%$ absent, $2.6 \%$ green-yellow and $13.3 \%$ green (Table 1). The fruit spot color was found to be green in $31.4 \%$, orange in $7.6 \%$, yellow in $0.9 \%$ and cream in $60 \%$ of the genotypes. It was determined that $73.3 \%$ of the genotypes was low, $24.7 \%$ dense, and $1.9 \%$ more spotted. In terms of fruit colors, the $19.0 \%$ of mature fruits was cream, $4.7 \%$ yellow, $0.9 \%$ green, $1.9 \%$ green ${ }^{-}$ yellow, $4.7 \%$ dark-yellow, $28.6 \%$ light-yellow and $41.9 \%$ orange. The size of the mature fruits was $21.9 \%$ short, $38.0 \%$ medium and $40 \%$ long, while the diameter was $62.8 \%$ long, $35.23 \%$ medium and $3.8 \%$ narrow. The length to diameter ratio was determined as $58.0 \%$ round, $22.8 \%$ elliptical and $20 \%$ tall, while the size of the mature fruit was $14.2 \%$ large, $36.1 \%$ medium and $50.4 \%$ small (Table 2). In the study by Seymen (2010),
leaf color was determined as light green in 26 genotypes, dark green in 34 genotypes and green in 64 genotypes. Leaf lobbing was low in 54 genotypes, very low in 36 genotypes, medium in 16 genotypes and more in 18 genotypes. When the presence of a ring at the base of the crown was examined, while there was no ring at the base of the crown in 28 genotypes, rings were observed in 96 genotypes, while the ring color was yellow in 30 genotypes, 35 genotypes were green and 31 genotypes had a green-yellow ring color. It has been observed that our findings and Seymen's results are similar to the leaf color. But the leaf lobbing, the presence of the ring at the base of the crown, and the color of the ring at the base of the crown have different values compared to our study. It is thought that some incompatibilities may be related to the material used, the region and ecological differences and even the cultivation conditions. Türkmen et al. (2016) found that there is no leaf lobe in 3 genotypes, less in 37, medium in 32 and excess in 9 . In our study, the seed color was found as $32.3 \%$ cream, $2.8 \%$ cream-dark cream, $48.5 \%$ light cream, $1.9 \%$ light cream-dark cream, $5.7 \%$ light cream-cream. Cracking ease of genotypes was found to be $60 \%$ difficult, $2.9 \%$ easy, $10.47 \%$ easy-difficult. They were taken seeds from one fruit between 73.5 and 418.8 g and 1000 grain weight was varied between $12.57 \pm 0.40$ and $131.02 \pm 15.5 \mathrm{~g}$ (Table 3). Principal component analysis (PCA) provided a simplified classification of confectionary pumpkin genotypes for genetic diversity and breeding studies. PCA is based on the visualization of type projections on an axis or a series of axes that can best represent the relationship among types in a multidimensional field (Karaağaç, 2006). The PCA plot shows geometric distances reflecting similarities among genotypes in the table in terms of the measured variables.
According to these analysis, it was seen that genotypes were divided into 6 groups (Figure1). Group A contained two genotypes with PCA 1 negative and PCA 2 positive. Group B contained two genotypes with PCA 1 negative and PCA 2 positive. Group C included 12 genotypes with low PCA 1 and medium PCA 2 values. Group D contained two genotypes with PCA 1 negative and PCA 2 positive. Group F contained 17 genotypes with positive PCA1 and PCA2 values. Group E contained 66 genotypes with PCA 1 positive and negative and PCA 2 positive. Small genetic distance has been detected between genotypes 21 and 69 . It has been observed that high diversity in terms of morphological characterization occurs in confectionary pumpkin genotypes. Martins et al. (2015) used 20 morphological features for the diversity of 54 C. pepo, 32 C. maxima and 21 C. moschata populations collected from the northern and center of Portugal. As a result of statistical analysis, they revealed the
difference at $\mathrm{P}<0.005$ level for all characteristics except fruit thickness.
They revealed that these three species were separated in PCA and the total variation was $52.5 \%$. Mladenovic et al. (2014), in their study to determine morphological characterization for 20 genotypes, showed that these genotypes were divided into 5 groups on the PCA axis as a result of principal component analysis. In a morphological characterization study conducted in 76 genotypes of $C$. pepo and C. maxima species; C. pepo included 10 genotypes classified as Cluster 1, while $C$.
maxima included 66 genotypes classified as Cluster 2. As a result of the PCA analysis, it was observed that 76 genotypes were divided into two groups and $66 C$. maxima genotypes were separated from 10 C. pepo genotypes (Chao et al., 2013). The diversity of $64 C$. pepo entries aimed at providing genetic improvement and application in Cucurbita breeding programs was analyzed using morphological markers. In principal component analysis (PCA), the 64 entries were clearly divided into two groups: a group of stemless seeds and a group of seeds covered with a shell (Yunli et al., 2020).

Table 1. Plant Appearance (A), Branching (B), Degree of The Branching (C), The Body Color (D), Leaf Color (E), Leaf Lobbing (F), The Presence of The Ring (G), The Collor of Thering (H)
Çizelge 1. Bitki Görünümü (A), Kol Atma (B), Kol Atma Derecesi (C), Gövde Rengi (D), Yaprak Rengi (E), Yaprak Lopluluğu (F), Halkanın Varlığ̄ (G), Taç dibinde halkanın rengi (H)

| Genotype <br> Name | A |  | C | D | E | F | G | H |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 5 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Light- <br> Green | Medium | Present | Green- <br> Yellow |
| 11 | Erect | Present | Weak | Light- Green | Yeşi | Absent | Present | Green- <br> Yellow |
| 17 | Clutching | Absent | - | Dark- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 20 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 21 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 22 | Semi-Clutching | Absent | Weak | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 23 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 26 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Present | Green |
| 27 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Absent | Present | Green |
| 28 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | DarkGreen | Absent | Absent | - |
| 33 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Absent | Absent |  |
| 37 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Absent | Absent |  |
| 38 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 41 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | DarkGreen | Absent | Absent | - |
| 42 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | DarkGreen | Absent | Absent | - |
| 43 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 46 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | DarkGreen | Absent | Present | Green |
| 47 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 49 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Present | Green |
| 50 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 56 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | DarkGreen | Absent | Absent | - |
| 58 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | DarkGreen | Medium | Absent | - |
| 60 | Erect | Present | Weak | Dark- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 64 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | DarkGreen | Medium | Present | Green |


| 65 | Erect | Present | Medium | Dark- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 66 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Dark- <br> Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 74 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 77 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 78 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Present | Green |
| 83 | Erect | Present | Weak | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Present | Green |
| 85 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 86 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent-Medium | Absent | - |
| 87 | Erect | Present | Weak | Light- Green | DarkGreen | Medium | Absent | - |
| 88 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 89 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 90 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 91 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Dark- <br> Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 92 | Erect | Present | Weak | Light- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 93 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 94 | Erect | Present | Medium | Dark- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 96 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 97 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 98 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 99 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 100 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Light Green | Medium | Present | GreenYellow |
| 102 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 103 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Dark- <br> Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 105 | Erect | Present | Medium | Dark- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 109 | Erect | Present | Medium | Dark- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 110 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 111 | Erect | Present | Weak | Dark- Green | Green | High | Absent | - |
| 112 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 116 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 118 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 120 | Erect | Present | Medium | Dark- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 124 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 125 | Erect | Present | Weak | Light- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 127 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Light Green | Medium | Present | GreenYellow |
| 128 | Erect | Present | Weak | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Present | Green |
| 129 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Dark- <br> Green | High | Absent | - |
| 130 | Semi-C | Present | - | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 131 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Light <br> Green | Medium | Absent | - |


| 132 | Erect | Present | Weak | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 133 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Green | High | Absent | - |
| 134 | Erect | Present | High | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 137 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 138 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 144 | Clutching | Absent | - | Green | Green | High | Absent | - |
| 145 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | High | Absent | - |
| 146 | Erect | Present | High | Dark- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 147 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 149 | Clutching | Absent | Medium | Dark- Green | Light Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 150 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | High | Absent | - |
| 152 | Clutching | Absent | - | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 153 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Low | Absent | - |
| 154 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Low | Absent | - |
| 155 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 156 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 157 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 158 | Clutching | Absent | - | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 159 | Clutching | Absent | - | Green | DarkGreen | Medium | Present | Green |
| 161 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 162 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 164 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 166 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 169 | Clutching | Absent | - | Green | Green | Absent | Present | Green |
| 170 | Clutching | Absent | - | Green | DarkGreen | Medium | Present | Green |
| 174 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 175 | Erect | Present | High | Green | DarkGreen | Medium | Absent | - |
| 176 | Erect | Present | High | Dark- Green | DarkGreen | Absent | Absent | - |
| 177 | Erect | Present | Weak | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 178 | Clutching | Absent | - | Light- Green | Green | Medium | Present | GreenYellow |
| 179 | Clutching | Absent | - | Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 180 | Clutching | Absent | - | Green | Green | Absent | Present | Green |
| 183 | Erect | Present | Medium | Light- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 184 | Erect | Present | High | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 187 | Erect | Present | Weak | Green | Green | Medium | Absent | - |
| 188 | Clutching | Absent | - | Light- Green | Green | Absent | Present | Green |
| 189 | Clutching | Absent | - | Dark- Green | DarkGreen | Absent | Present | Green |
| 190 | Clutching | Absent | - | Dark- Green | DarkGreen | Absent | Absent | - |
| 191 | Clutching | Absent | - | Dark- Green | Dark- <br> Green | Absent | Absent | - |
| 192 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Absent | Absent | - |


| 196 | Erect | Present | Medium | Green | Green | Medium | Absent - |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 198 | Clutching | Absent | - | Green | Dark- <br> Green | Medium | Absent | - |

Table 2. Fruit Spot Color (A),Spotted dence (B), Mature Fruits Color (C), Mature Fruits Length (D), MatureFruits Diameter (E), The Length to Diameter Ratio (F), Size of The Mature Fruit (G)
Çizelge 2. Meyve Benek Rengi (A), benek yoğunluğu (B), olgun meyvelerde renk ( $C$ ), tohumluk meyvenin boyu ( $D$ ), tohumluk meyvenin çapı $(E)$, tohumluk meyvenin boy çap oranı $(F)$, tohumluk meyvenin iriliği $(G)$

| Genotype Name | A | B | C | D | E | F | G |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Long | Round | Medium |
| 5 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Long | Round | Medium |
| 11 | Green | Dense | Orange | Short | Long | Elliptical | Medium |
| 17 | Cream | Low | Orange | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 20 | Orange | Low | Orange | Long | Medium | Long | Medium |
| 21 | Green | Low | Orange | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 22 | Green | Dense | Orange | Long | Medium | Long | Smal |
| 23 | Cream | Low | Light-Yellow | Long | Long | Long | Medium |
| 26 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Narrow | Long | Medium |
| 27 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Short | Medium | Elliptical | Large |
| 28 | Cream | Low | Light-Yellow | Long | Long | Long | Smal |
| 33 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Long | Long | Elliptical | Smal |
| 37 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Long | Long | Elliptical | Smal |
| 38 | Green | Low | Green-Yellow | Long | Long | Long | Smal |
| 41 | Cream | Low | Dark-Yellow | Medium | Long | Elliptical | Medium |
| 42 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Long | Medium | Long | Smal |
| 43 | Cream | Dense | Light- Yellow | Long | Long | Round | Smal |
| 46 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Long | Round | Smal |
| 47 | Cream | Low | Orange | Medium | Medium | Round | Medium |
| 49 | Cream | Low | Cream | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 50 | Green | High | Orange | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 56 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Medium | Medium | Elliptical | Medium |
| 58 | Cream | Low | Orange | Long | Long | Elliptical | Smal |
| 60 | Green | Dense | Green-Yellow | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 64 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Short | Long | Round | Large |
| 65 | Green | Dense | Orange | Short | Long | Round | Large |
| 66 | Orange | Dense | Light- Yellow | Short | Long | Round | Smal |
| 74 | Green | Low | Orange | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 77 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Medium | Elliptical | Smal |
| 78 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Medium | Medium | Round | Medium |
| 83 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Long | Elliptical | Smal |
| 85 | Cream | Dense | Cream | Medium | Long | Elliptical | Smal |
| 86 | Cream | Low | Orange | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 87 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Medium | Medium | Elliptical | Smal |
| 88 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Short | Dar | Long | Large |
| 89 | Cream | Low | Orange | Medium | Medium | Round | Smal |
| 90 | Green | Dense | Orange | Long | Medium | Long | Smal |
| 91 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Long | Long | Smal |
| 92 | Cream | Dense | Light- Yellow | Long | Long | Round | Smal |
| 93 | Green | Dense | Orange | Long | Medium | Long | Medium |
| 94 | Cream | Low | Orange | Long | Long | Elliptical | Medium |
| 96 | Cream | Dense | Light- Yellow | Long | Medium | Long | Large |
| 97 | Cream | Low | Yellow | Long | Medium | Long | Medium |
| 98 | Green | Dense | Orange | Short | Dar | Elliptical | Large |
| 99 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Long | Medium | Elliptical | Smal |
| 100 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Long | Long | Round | Smal |
| 102 | Cream | Low | Cream | Short | Long | Round | Medium |


| 103 | Cream | Low | Orange | Long | Long | Elliptical | Smal |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 105 | Cream | Low | Orange | Long | Long | Elliptical | Smal |
| 109 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Medium | Long | Round | Medium |
| 110 | Cream | Low | Yellow | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 111 | Green | Dense | Orange | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 112 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Short | Long | Round | Large |
| 116 | Green | Dense | Orange | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 118 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Long | Medium | Long | Medium |
| 120 | Green | Dense | Orange | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 124 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Short | Long | Round | Large |
| 125 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Medium | Medium | Round | Medium |
| 127 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Long | Round | Medium |
| 128 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Medium | Medium | Round | Smal |
| 129 | Cream | Low | Cream | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 130 | Green | Low | Orange | Long | Medium | Long | Smal |
| 131 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Short | Long | Round | Smal |
| 132 | Yellow | Low | Orange | Short | Medium | Round | Medium |
| 133 | Cream | Low | Cream | Medium | Medium | Round | Large |
| 134 | Green | Dense | Dark-Yellow | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 137 | Orange | Low | Orange | Long | Medium | Elliptical | Smal |
| 138 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Long | Long | Round | Smal |
| 144 | Green | High | Dark-Yellow | Medium | Medium | Round | Large |
| 145 | Green | Low | Orange | Medium | Medium | Round | Smal |
| 146 | Green | Dense | Orange | Medium | Medium | Elliptical | Medium |
| 147 | Green | Low | Yellow | Medium | Medium | Elliptical | Smal |
| 149 | Green | Dense | Orange | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 150 | Green | Dense | Orange | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 152 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Long | Long | Long | Large |
| 153 | Cream | Low | Yellow | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 154 | Green | Dense | Orange | Long | Long | Elliptical | Smal |
| 155 | Cream | Low | Cream | Medium | Medium | Elliptical | Medium |
| 156 | Green | Low | Dark-Yellow | Long | Long | Long | Large |
| 157 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Medium | Medium | Elliptical | Medium |
| 158 | Cream | Low | Light- Yellow | Medium | Long | Round | Medium |
| 159 | Green | Dense | Orange | Medium | Medium | Round | Medium |
| 161 | Cream | Low | Cream | Medium | Long | Round | Medium |
| 162 | Green | Dense | Orange | Long | Medium | Long | Smal |
| 164 | Cream | Low | Dark-Yellow | Long | Long | Long | Large |
| 166 | Green | Low | Orange | Medium | Medium | Round | Smal |
| 169 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Long | Long | Smal |
| 170 | Green | Dense | Orange | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 174 | Green | Dense | Green | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 175 | Cream | Low | Cream | Medium | Long | Round | Medium |
| 176 | Cream | Low | Dark-Yellow | Short | Long | Round | Medium |
| 177 | Orange | Low | Orange | Medium | Long | Round | Medium |
| 178 | Green | Dense | Orange | Short | Medium | Round | Large |
| 179 | Green | Low | Orange | Long | Long | Round | Smal |
| 180 | Cream | Low | Cream | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 183 | Green | Low | Orange | Medium | Medium | Round | Large |
| 184 | Orange | Low | Orange | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 187 | Green | Dense | Orange | Medium | Medium | Elliptical | Medium |
| 188 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Medium | Long | Smal |
| 189 | Cream | Low | Orange | Long | Long | Round | Smal |
| 190 | Cream | Low | Yellow | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| 191 | Orange | Low | Orange | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |


| 192 | Orange | Low | Orange | Medium | Long | Round | Smal |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 196 | Orange | Low | Orange | Medium | Medium | Elliptical | Smal |
| 198 | Cream | Low | Cream | Long | Long | Round | Smal |

Table 3. Seed Weight (g), 1000 Seed Weight (g), Seed Color, Cracking Ease


| Genotype Name | Seed Weight (gram) | 1000 Grain Weight (gram) | Seed Color | Cracking Ease |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | $281.84 \pm 22.47$ | $78.10 \pm 1.34$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 5 | $236.46 \pm 17.85$ | $74.58 \pm 23.11$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 11 | $193.88 \pm 34.78$ | $47.79 \pm 5.50$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 17 | $187.08 \pm 39.59$ | $16.08 \pm 2.77$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 20 | $213.33 \pm 40.940$ | $95.27 \pm 23.45$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 21 | $183.91 \pm 11.44$ | $64.21 \pm 10.06$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 22 | $281.53 \pm 58.68$ | $72.41 \pm 18.66$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 23 | $190.04 \pm 37.50$ | $65.01 \pm 3.54$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 26 | $126.64 \pm 21.22$ | $34.34 \pm 4.48$ | Cream | Easy |
| 27 | $300.43 \pm 19.61$ | $38.54 \pm 3.89$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 28 | $302.66 \pm 11.38$ | $62.52 \pm 1.78$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 33 | $280.17 \pm 446.11$ | $131.02 \pm 15.5$ | Light Cream-Cream | Easy |
| 37 | $244.11 \pm 30.01$ | $44.59 \pm 3,24$ | Dark Cream | Easy |
| 38 | $163.34 \pm 5.19$ | $70.23 \pm 6.91$ | Dark Cream | Easy |
| 41 | $156.94 \pm 4.28$ | $44.70 \pm 3.3$ | Cream | Easy |
| 42 | $158.35 \pm 28.21$ | $40.95 \pm 2.22$ | Light Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 43 | $181.64 \pm 41.41$ | $37.15 \pm 21.52$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 46 | $301.14 \pm 76.19$ | $79.25 \pm 2.86$ | Dark Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 47 | $102.35 \pm 22.30$ | $38.27 \pm 0.06$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 49 | $236.26 \pm 25.63$ | $82.12 \pm 1.50$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 50 | $186.40 \pm 27.18$ | $61.78 \pm 18.92$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 56 | $231.44 \pm 21.52$ | $39.30 \pm 0.49$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 58 | $135.54 \pm 30.02$ | $77.11 \pm 2.04$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 60 | $200.68 \pm 14.28$ | $36.98 \pm 7.54$ | Cream | Easy |
| 64 | $190.78 \pm 33.30$ | $37.40 \pm 0.79$ | Light Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 65 | $204.85 \pm 28.86$ | $34.39 \pm 13.86$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 66 | $189.75 \pm 18.07$ | $72.19 \pm 8.62$ | Cream | Easy |
| 74 | $180.56 \pm 86.40$ | $23.28 \pm 0,20$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 77 | $332.20 \pm 97.86$ | $60.43 \pm 10.91$ | LightCream-Dark Cream | Difficult |
| 78 | $273.54 \pm 21.00$ | $30.70 \pm 0.49$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 83 | $90.30 \pm 11.03$ | $62.56 \pm 7.55$ | Light Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 85 | $251.46 \pm 65.12$ | $46.25 \pm 22.67$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 86 | $200.80 \pm 13.73$ | $14.29 \pm 0.20$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 87 | $228.58 \pm 42.87$ | $34.66 \pm 3.94$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 88 | $252.52 \pm 17.32$ | $72.26 \pm 8.66$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 89 | $272.50 \pm 15.59$ | $54.58 \pm 3.83$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 90 | $225.94 \pm 6.60$ | $54.57 \pm 11.22$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 91 | 205.97 $\pm 27.11$ | $35.29 \pm 1.04$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 92 | $266.34 \pm 37.97$ | $37.16 \pm 0.49$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 93 | $166.30 \pm 32.22$ | $83.54 \pm 5.72$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 94 | $275.54 \pm 1.21$ | $44.98 \pm 13.27$ | Light Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 96 | $227.54 \pm 1.78$ | $22.59 \pm 22.34$ | Light Cream-Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 97 | $195.76 \pm 8.04$ | $41.53 \pm 1.08$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 98 | $118.62 \pm 9.54$ | $82.12 \pm 1.50$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 99 | $334.42 \pm 26.24$ | $59.17 \pm 0.58$ | Cream | Easy |
| 100 | $228.32 \pm 18.28$ | $12.57 \pm 0.40$ | Cream | Easy |
| 102 | $93.38 \pm 17.71$ | $16.08 \pm 18.56$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 103 | $141.08 \pm 25.32$ | $34.46 \pm 13.06$ | Light Cream-Cream | Difficult |
| 105 | $234.11 \pm 9.54$ | $47.44 \pm 5.25$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 109 | $311.50 \pm 26.24$ | $91.52 \pm 9.62$ | Light Cream-Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 110 | $252.70 \pm 21.15$ | $129.84 \pm 6.59$ | Dark Cream | Difficult |


| 111 | $229.92 \pm 13.97$ | $43.90 \pm 2.75$ | Dark Cream | Difficult |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 112 | $180.24 \pm 15.30$ | $29.67 \pm 6.83$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 116 | $178.32 \pm 11.76$ | $107.17 \pm 5.07$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 118 | $183.36 \pm 17.33$ | $68.90 \pm 6.29$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 120 | $254.52 \pm 12.01$ | $40.18 \pm 11.40$ | Cream | Easy |
| 124 | $239.81 \pm 28.92$ | $50.16 \pm 0.11$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 125 | $240.90 \pm 7.32$ | $77.21 \pm 12.50$ | Cream | Easy |
| 127 | $202.66 \pm 32.47$ | $79.8 \pm 1.50$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 128 | $203.30 \pm 27.45$ | $91.52 \pm 3.82$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 129 | $200.60 \pm 26.38$ | $81.26 \pm 5.25$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 130 | $418.84 \pm 32.47$ | $75.83 \pm 14.73$ | Cream-Dark Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 131 | $283.28 \pm 30.26$ | $29.75 \pm 0,50$ | Light Cream-Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 132 | $248.67 \pm 25.40$ | $75.81 \pm 2.95$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 133 | $249.12 \pm 30.60$ | $72.04 \pm 4,90$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 134 | $323.46 \pm 28.95$ | $86.09 \pm 4,30$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 137 | $246.97 \pm 18.46$ | $83.49 \pm 2.46$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 138 | $333.02 \pm 26.24$ | $105.23 \pm 2.20$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 144 | $368.36 \pm 62.52$ | $85.13 \pm 11.77$ | Cream-Dark Cream | Difficult |
| 145 | $232.12 \pm 13.97$ | $72.60 \pm 13.62$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 146 | $239.96 \pm 87.30$ | $55.44 \pm 11.85$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 147 | $295.04 \pm 9.54$ | $73.33 \pm 2.12$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 149 | $284.56 \pm 49.58$ | $92.53 \pm 2.91$ | Light Cream Dark Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 150 | $295.36 \pm 31.84$ | $75.61 \pm 3.96$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 152 | $184.62 \pm 1.83$ | $106.68 \pm 6.25$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 153 | $332.28 \pm 67.42$ | $106.62 \pm 4.67$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 154 | $275.52 \pm 10.87$ | $26.45 \pm 4.55$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 155 | $299.63 \pm 58.18$ | $117.24 \pm 5.11$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 156 | $142.18 \pm 39.25$ | $78.66 \pm 2.91$ | Dark Cream | Difficult |
| 157 | $221.83 \pm 31.84$ | $91.18 \pm 7.90$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 158 | $188.18 \pm 62.91$ | $96.39 \pm 7.45$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 159 | $73.50 \pm 29.82$ | $32.14 \pm 2.10$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 161 | $183.76 \pm 32.01$ | $16.33 \pm 0.49$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 162 | $301.74 \pm 30.01$ | $79.73 \pm 6.88$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 164 | $246.74 \pm 73.5$ | $50.43 \pm 6.03$ | Dark Cream | Difficult |
| 166 | $240.28 \pm 26.81$ | $78.32 \pm 11.33$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 169 | $318.86 \pm 60.81$ | $113.42 \pm 0.80$ | Light Cream-Cream | Difficult |
| 170 | $286.88 \pm 33.05$ | $76.14 \pm 1.04$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 174 | $203.62 \pm 28.48$ | $81.47 \pm 1.10$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 175 | $201.26 \pm 48.69$ | $101.57 \pm 0.28$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 176 | $255.31 \pm 26.81$ | $57.89 \pm 0.58$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 177 | $288.43 \pm 2.55$ | $50.41 \pm 0.28$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 178 | $225.40 \pm 0.89$ | $112.26 \pm 8.67$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 179 | $217.52 \pm 46.08$ | $93.87 \pm 17.66$ | Light Cream | Easy |
| 180 | $296.24 \pm 29.14$ | $109.65 \pm 6.11$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 183 | $235.92 \pm 17.96$ | $63.93 \pm 2.77$ | Cream | Easy |
| 184 | $225.81 \pm 12.38$ | $10.88 \pm 0.61$ | Cream | Difficult |
| 187 | $280.91 \pm 3.50$ | $98.70 \pm 16.25$ | Cream-Dark Cream | Difficult |
| 188 | $140.06 \pm 25.39$ | $128.62 \pm 0.270$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 189 | $259.85 \pm 5.78$ | $53.44 \pm 4.63$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 190 | $181.72 \pm 53.01$ | $60.02 \pm 25.04$ | LightCream-DarkCream | Difficult |
| 191 | $205.24 \pm 12.13$ | $31.66 \pm 1.02$ | Light Cream | Difficult |
| 192 | $259.85 \pm 28.35$ | $64.07 \pm 11.97$ | Light Cream | Easy-Difficult |
| 196 | $181.72 \pm 11.97$ | $99.96 \pm 11.97$ | Dark Cream | Difficult |
| 198 | $205.24 \pm 22.58$ | $85.42 \pm 4.44$ | Cream | Difficult |
| Average | 229.65 | 63.77 |  |  |

## CONCLUSION

As a result, it has been determined that confectionary pumpkin genotypes are at a promising level and it is
possible to develop confectionary pumpkin varieties for different regions and ecological conditions. The data obtained will be an important resource and guide for
upcoming studies on genetic diversity in confectionary pumpkin.


Figure1. Two dimensional graphic obtained from principal component analysis with morphological data
Şekil 1. Morfolojik verilerilerle yapılan temel bileşen analizi sonucu elde edilen iki boyutlu grafik

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