

Table 1 Castor seed characteristics under different development stage

Developmental stage (d)	Length (cm)	Volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	100-seed weight (g)	100-seed weight (dehusked seeds) (g)	100-seed weight (dehusked oven-dried seeds) (g)
10	1.12±0.01a	1.36±0.01a	36.84±0.96a	23.67±1.41a	1.98±0.06a
20	1.32±0.01b	1.75±0.01b	45.01±0.72b	26.87±0.21b	9.78±0.14b
30	1.40±0.00c	2.02±0.01d	47.63±0.93c	29.38±0.57c	17.52±0.32c
40	1.52±0.00d	2.27±0.01e	48.62±0.80c	34.03±0.06d	28.16±0.02d
50	1.41±0.01c	1.96±0.01c	38.65±0.01a	30.64±0.02c	28.28±0.03d
60	1.30±0.01b	1.75±0.02b	38.41±0.04a	31.21±0.01c	30.47±0.08e