



# Development and Implementation of Biotechnological Tools for Rapeseed Breeding in Southern Chile

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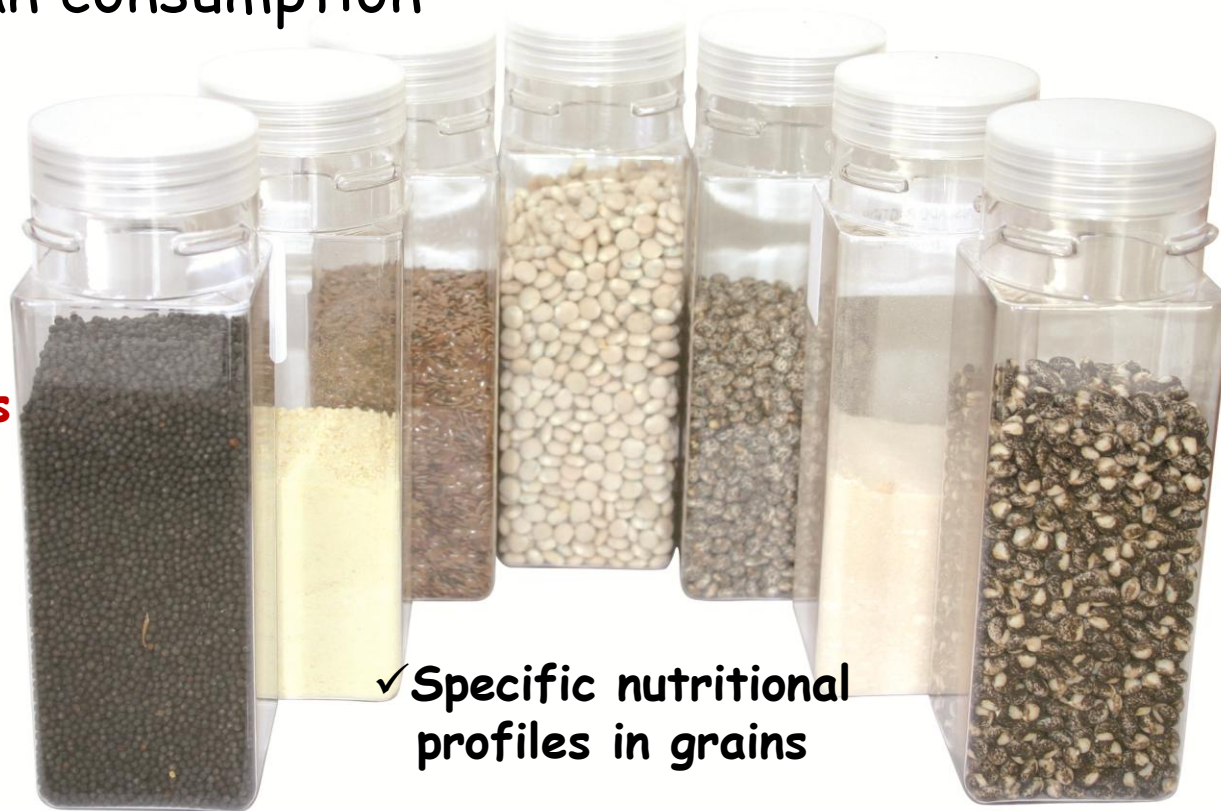
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# Our Challenges (1)

• Respond to the increasing demand for **proteins, fatty acids and soluble fiber** for animal feed and human consumption

-Linseed  
-Rapeseed  
-Yellow Lupins



✓ Specific nutritional profiles in grains

✓ Food technology of agricultural products

# Our Challenges (2)

- Develop germplasm, advance lines and varieties with high adaptability and especific nutritional profiles to a wide target of enviroments, with emphasis on the central south region of Chile.

✓ Local Genetics



# Our Challenges (3)

• Respond to an ever changing and complex **climatic scenario** through the study of the genome of our three key crops: Flaxseed, Rapeseed and Yellow Lupins

- ✓ Drought
- ✓ High solar radiation
- ✓ Fluctuant temperatures
- ✓ Increased disease incidence

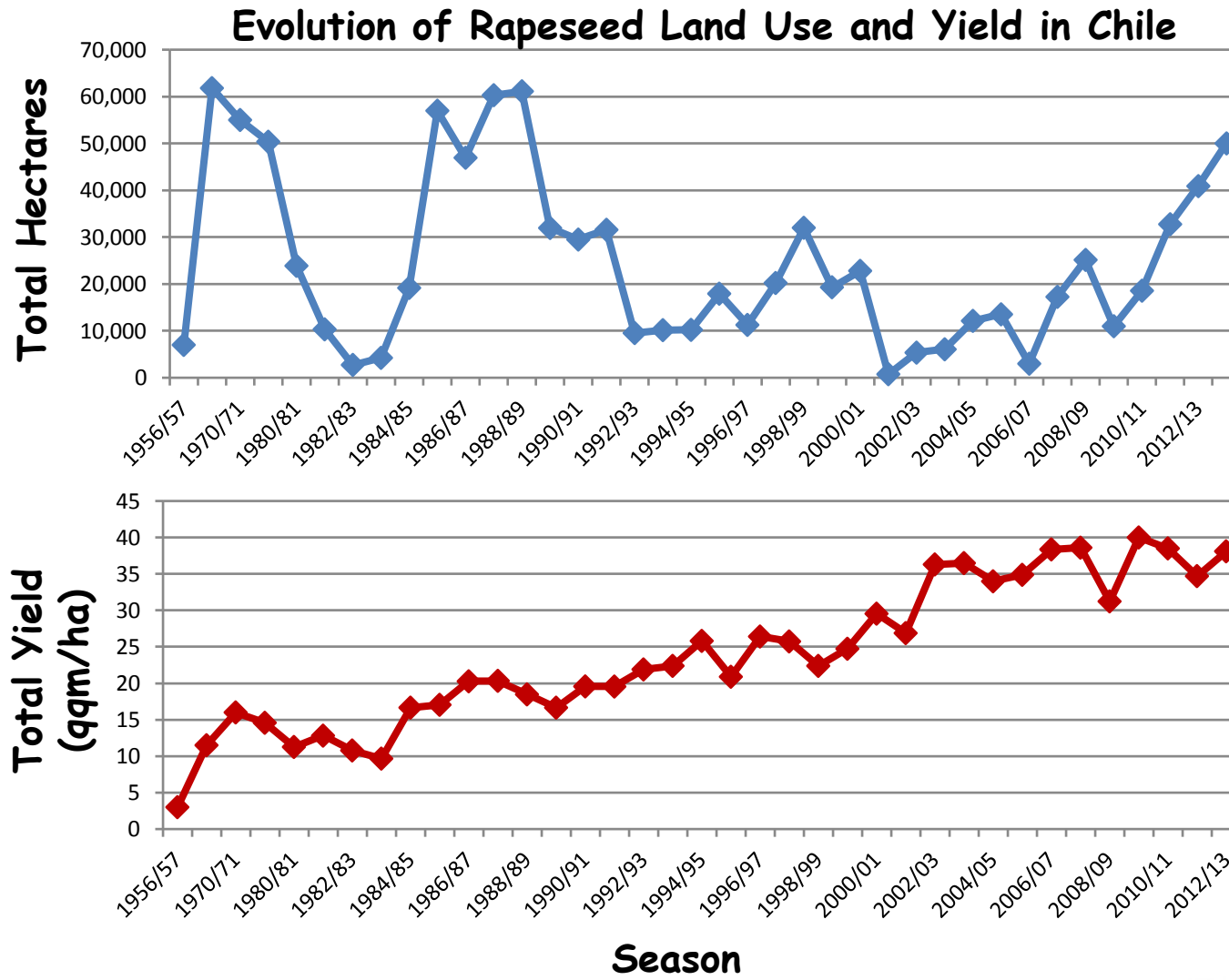
# Rapeseed (*B. napus*) Importance in Chile



- *Brassica napus*, commonly known as rapeseed, raps or colza is the second oilseed crop with ~ 14% of the total oil production and grows well in most temperate regions of the globe.
- In Chile, rapeseed production and yield per hectare have grown considerably in the last 30 years. This is due to an increased demand for the production of oil, both for the salmon cluster and recently for human consumption.
- The main export destinations for the domestic oil production reside in Latin America with Colombia taking about 85% of national exports. Next is Argentina, with about 9%.
- The main origin of Chilean imports of rapeseed oil is from Canada, with about 90% of the imported oil. The second source is Argentina.



# Rapeseed Importance in Chile



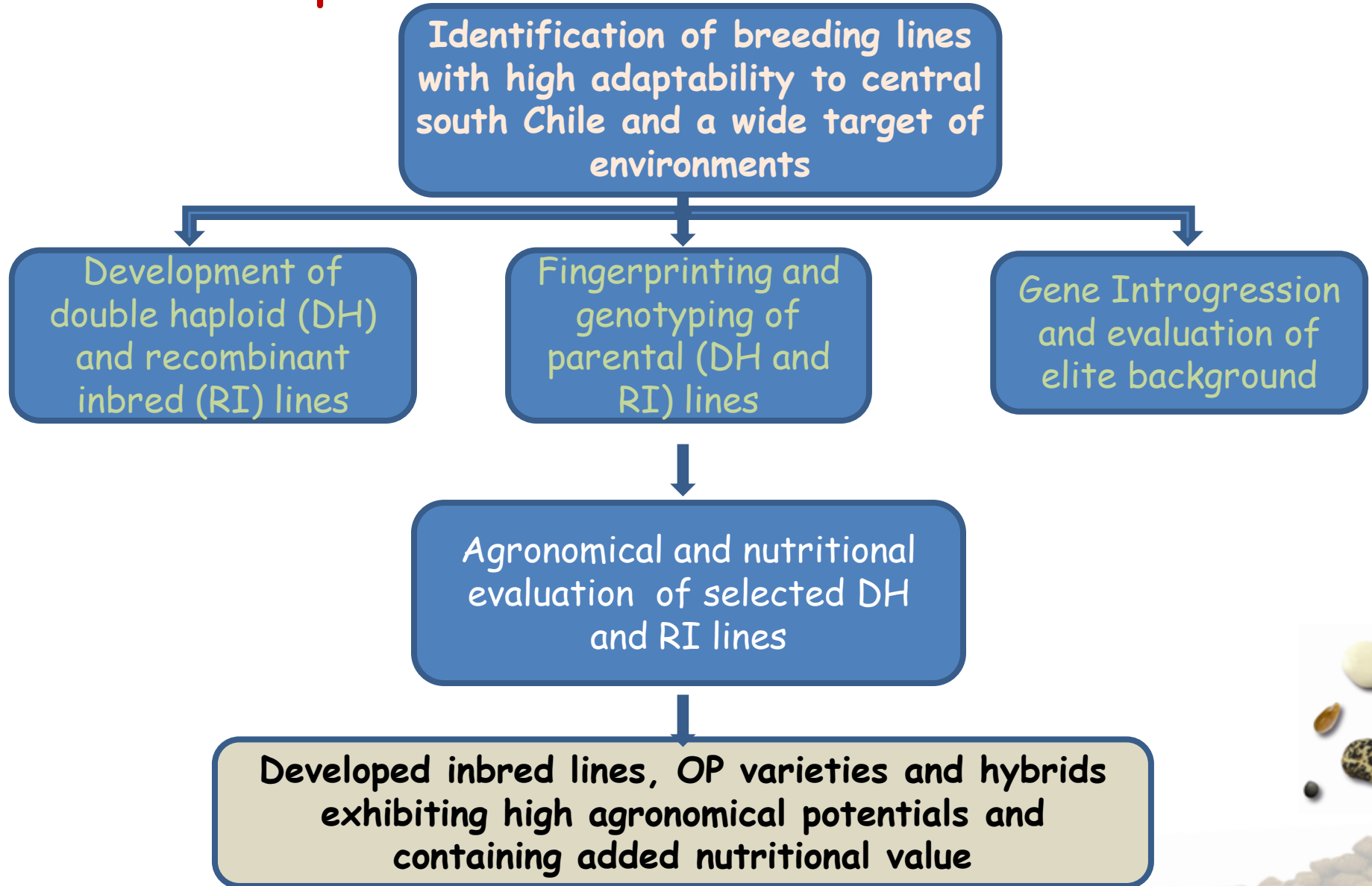
# Rapeseed Projections in Chile

- International prices have set favorable conditions for rapeseed production.
- A growing demand from the salmon industry and high potentials for oil production oriented to human consumption.
- New development of oil crushing plants in southern Chile.
- The importance that rapeseed has in the rotation scheme with annual crops especially cereals.
- It is estimated that the total area sown with rapeseed will keep on rising and will surpass its historical record of 60,000 hectares.





# Rapeseed Research at



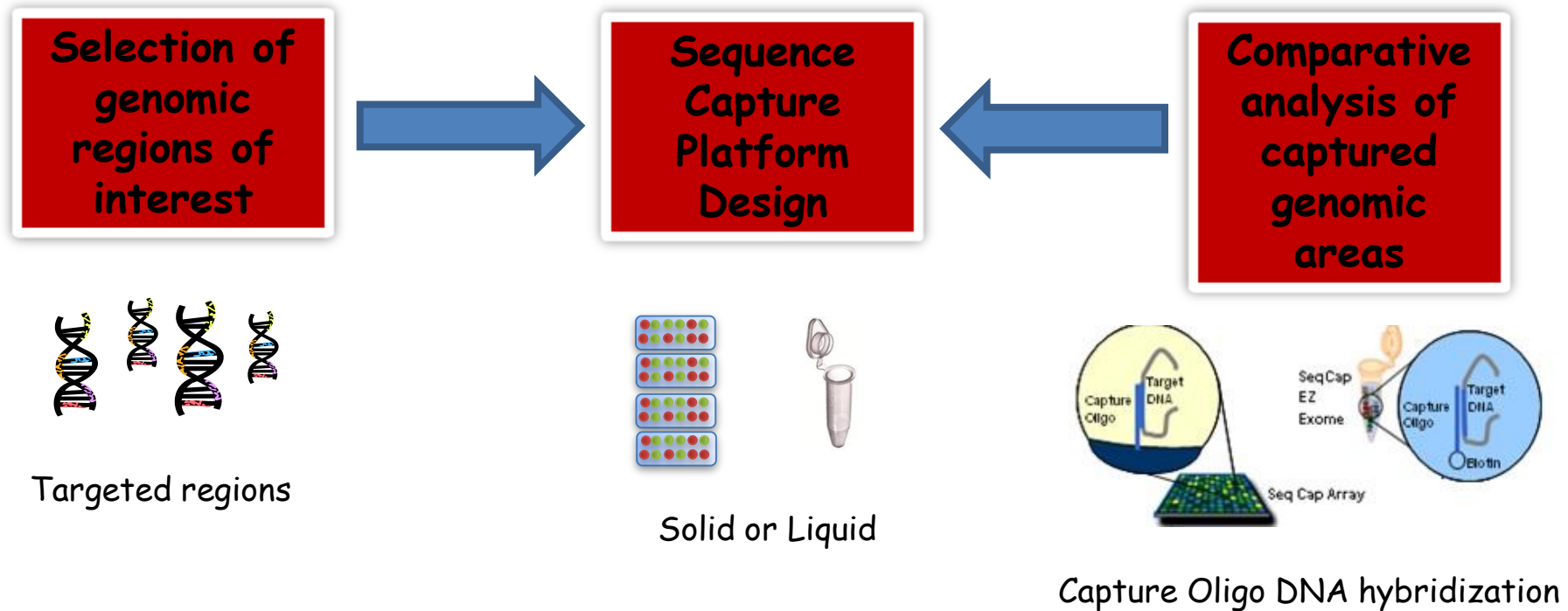
# Development and Implementation of Genomic Tools

**Marker Discovery:** High-throughput Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP) discovery in areas of the genome of *Brassica napus* that have been historically associated to agronomical and nutritional traits.



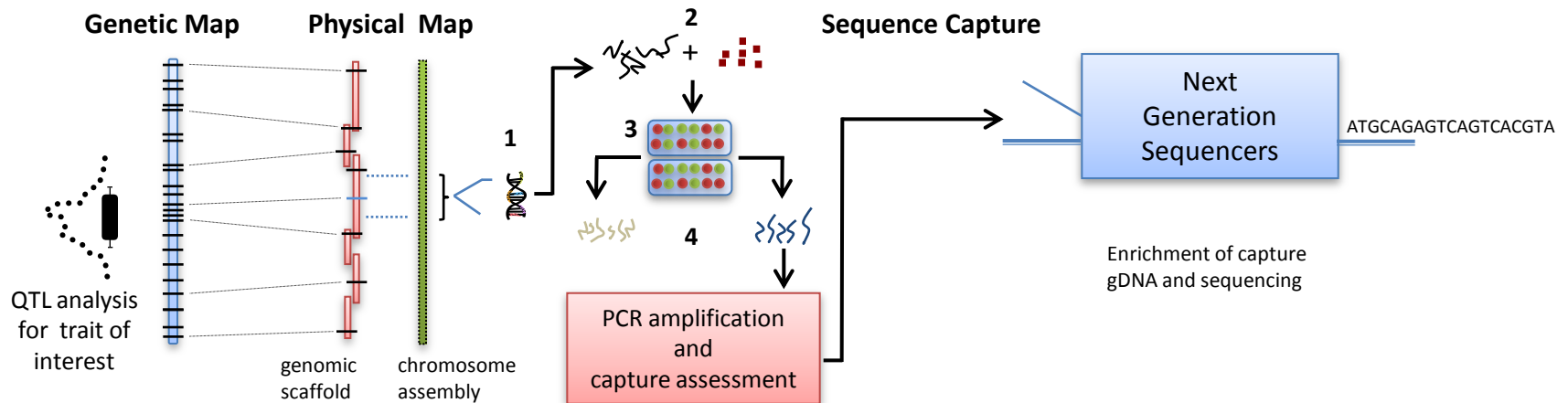
# SNP Markers

## Discovery Using Sequence Capture Technology

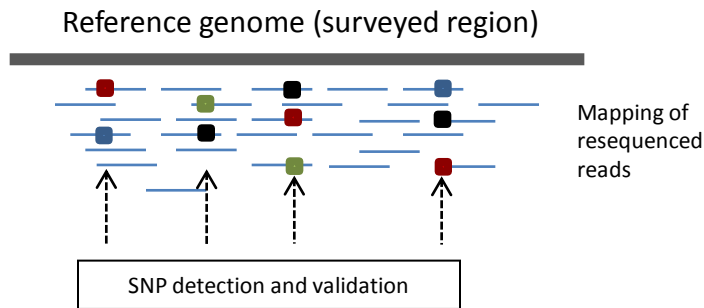




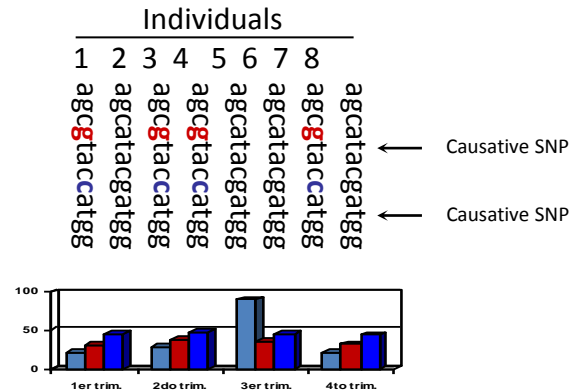
# SNPs Discovery using Sequence Capture and Next Generation Sequencing



## Sequence Variation assesment SNP discovery



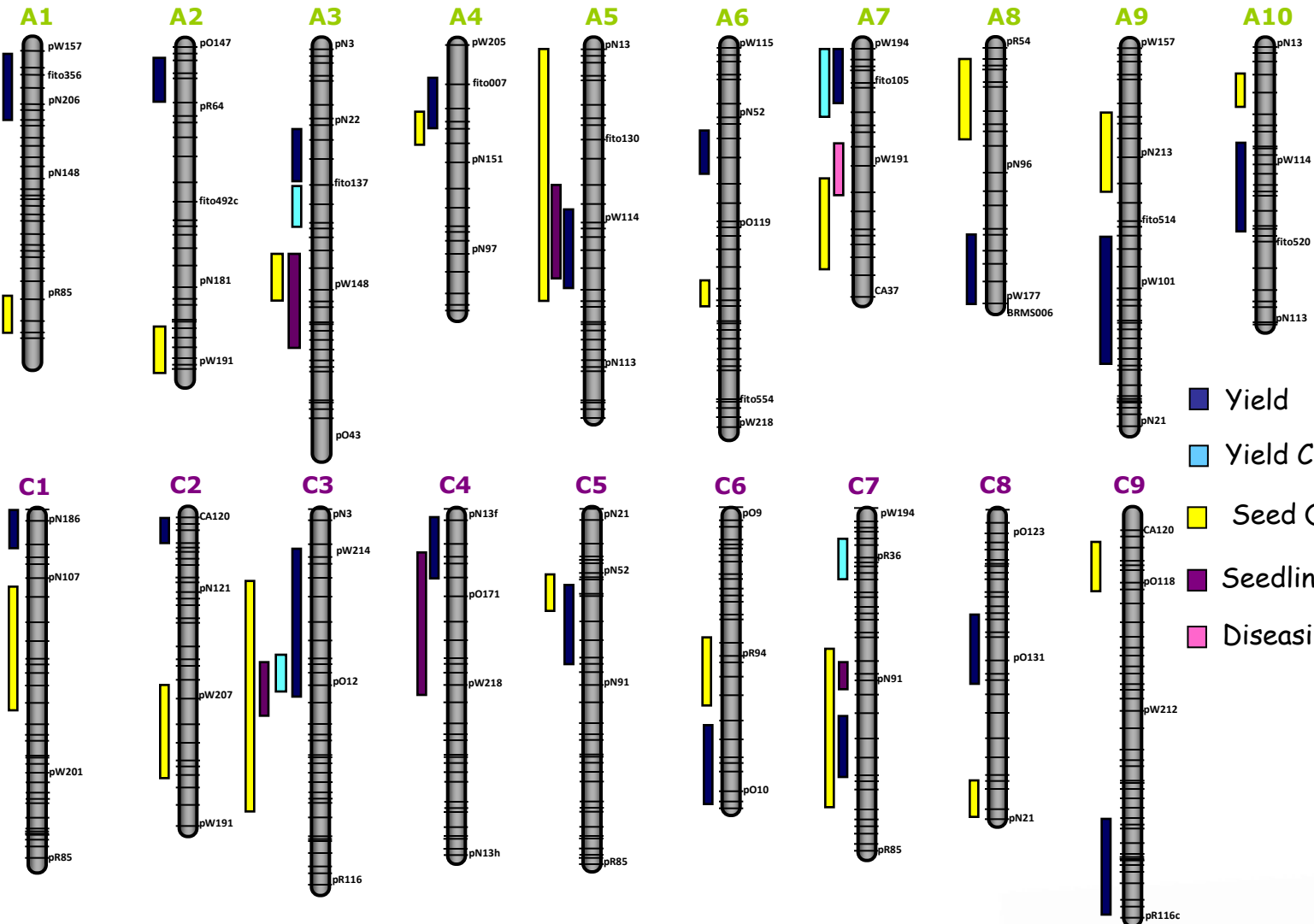
## Genotype/Phenotype Associations



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# Areas of the *B. napus* Genome Interrogated

**RAPESEED  
CANOLA**



- Yield
- Yield Components
- Seed Quality
- Seedling Vigor
- Disease incident



(Snowdon and Iniguez-Luy, 2012; Clarke et al. 2013)

# Objectives

- I) Interrogate 47 regions of the *B. napus* genome that explain agronomical and nutritional traits (identified via genetic analysis - QTL-).
- II) Resequencing of 10 highly contrasting *B. napus* lines.
- III) Discover and characterize (eg. genic vs intergenic, coding vs intronic sequences and type of substitution - transition vs transversion) SNP type markers in the regions interrogated.
- IV) Validate the developed SNP markers (potential use and effectiveness of discovery).





# Results

Sequence reads mapping summary using multiple reference sets.

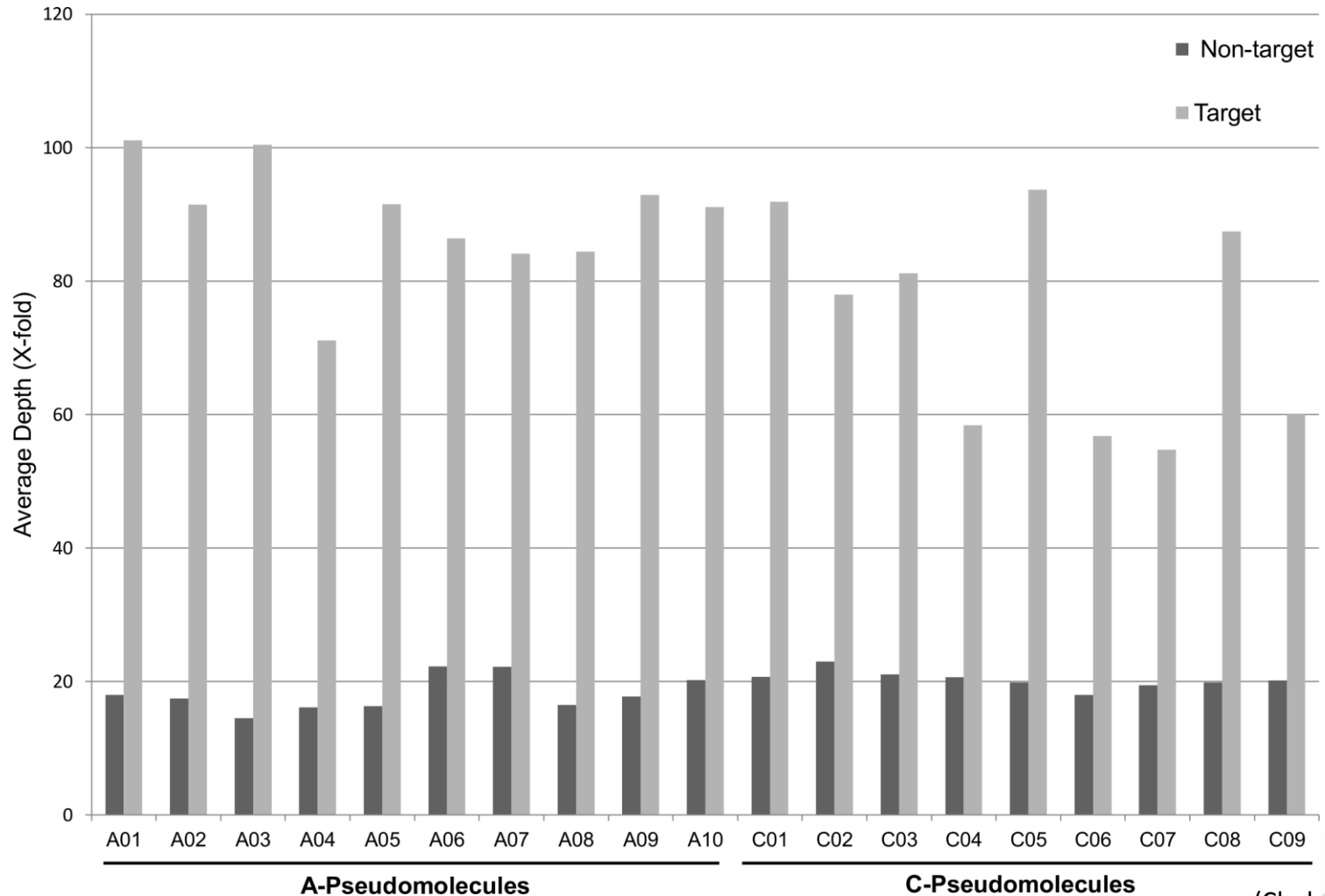
454 Chemistry Data							
		Capture Design Reference (883 Sequences)		Capture Design with Orthologues (883 + 1074 Sequences)		A & C Genome Pseudomolecules (19 Sequences)	
Lines	SR	RM	RMp	RM	RMpi	RM	RMpi
<b>DH12075</b>	1,289,496	414,569	32	457,448	10.3	775,554	69.5
<b>PSA12</b>	826,680	241,867	29	279,959	15.7	497,595	77.7
<b>Express</b>	827,074	226,406	27	271,137	19.8	475,214	75.3
<b>V8</b>	711,244	190,312	27	230,314	21	411,708	78.8
<b>Tapidor</b>	778,116	230,934	30	266,100	15.2	453,606	70.5
<b>Ningyou</b>	803,553	240,828	30	277,338	15.2	480,899	73.4
<b>Rainbow</b>	742,283	207,465	28	248,757	19.9	432,873	74
<b>YN-429</b>	735,005	219,859	30	247,101	12.4	427,669	73.1
<b>CGNA1</b>	742,361	201,604	27	241,700	19.9	426,791	76.6
<b>CGNA2</b>	717,016	195,811	27	233,568	19.3	412,298	76.5

SR = Sequence Read, RM = Reads Mapped, RMp = % of Reads Mapped  
 RMpi = Reads Mapped % Increment.

(Clarke et al., 2013)

# Results

Sequencing coverage obtained for the interrogated regions



(Clarke et al., 2013)

# Results

Total number of detected SNPs and final number of candidate SNPs

Filtering Criteria	Number of SNPs Excluded	Number of SNPs Remaining
None	0	2,740,205
Multiple Variants hits	33,917	2,706,288
Sequencing Bias*	2,111,439	594,849
Flanking Sequence**	5,482	589,367
<b>Candidate SNPs</b>		<b>589,367</b>

\* Removal of SNPs containing only heterozygous and bias SNP calls.

\*\* Removal of SNPs not meeting KASPar or Illumina Infinium flanking sequence requirements.

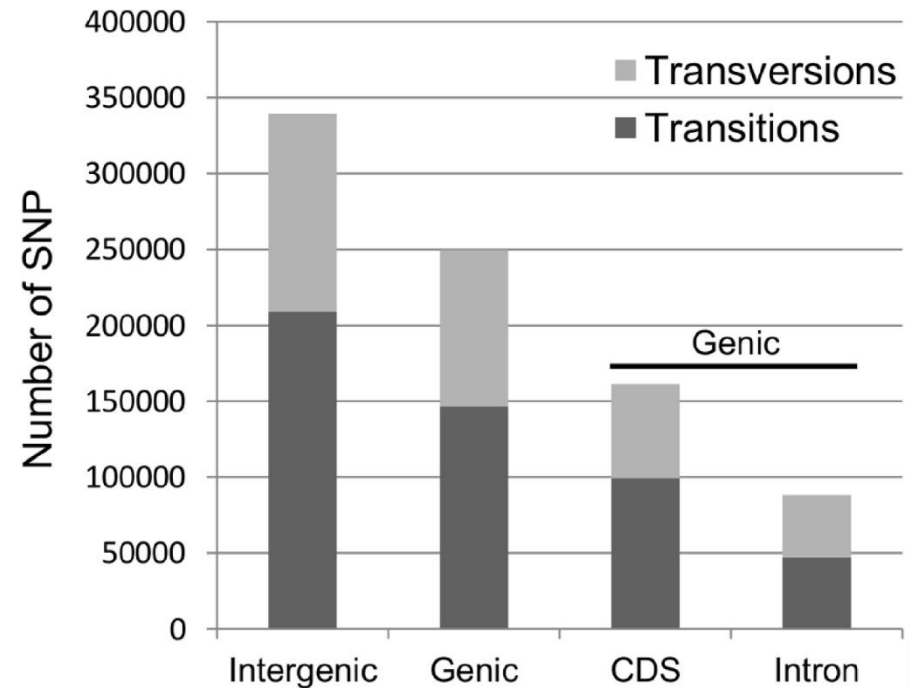
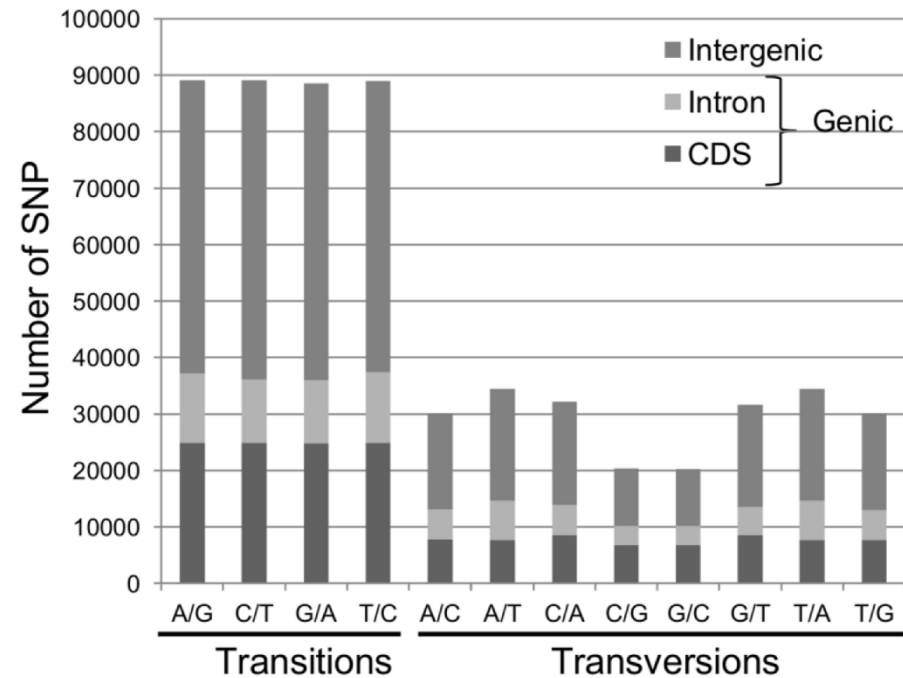


(Clarke et al., 2013)



# Results

## SNP characterization: Type of mutation and SNP location



(Clarke et al., 2013)

# SNP Marker Validation

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## 1) KASPar Assay

- *B.napus* Diversity Set
- DH12075xPSA12
- V8xExpress



## 3) Bi-parental Mapping

- Genomic SNP Confirmation and validation of the sequence capture design.

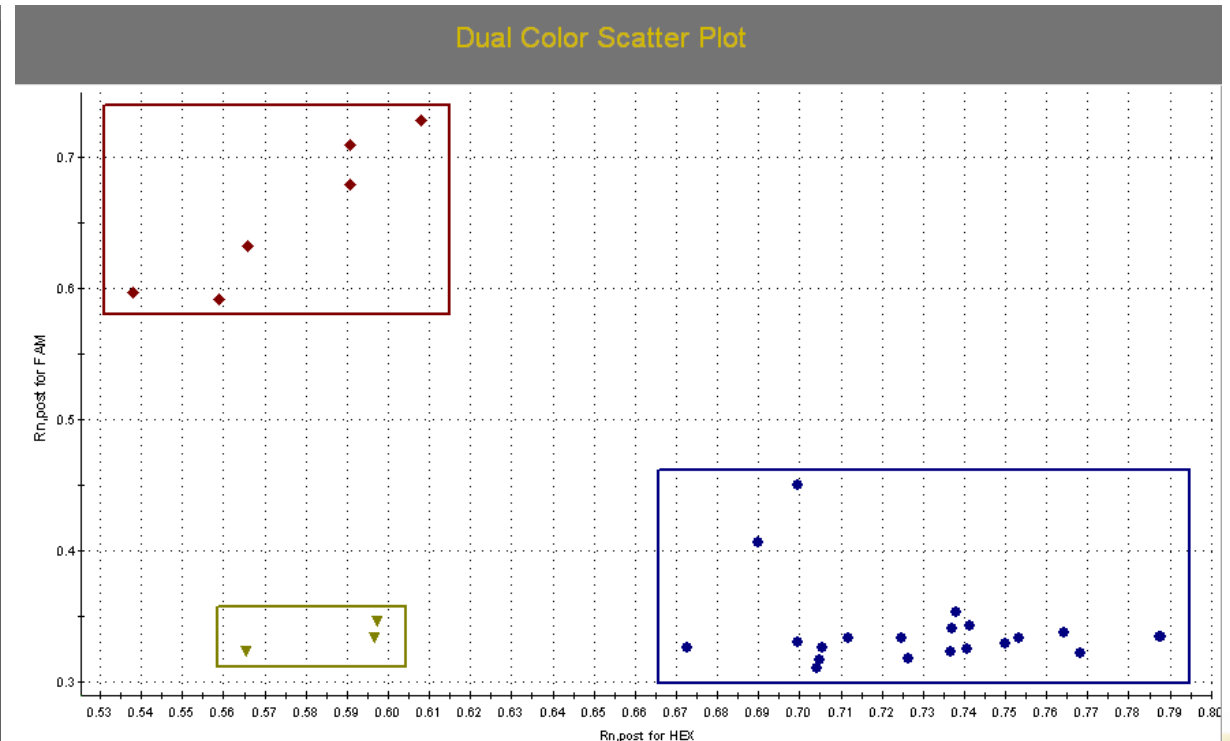
## 2) 60K Illumina Infinium array

- *B.napus* Diversity Set
- Polymorphic SNP Determination (%)
- Presence of True Allele Determination



# SNP Validation in a *B. napus* Diversity Set

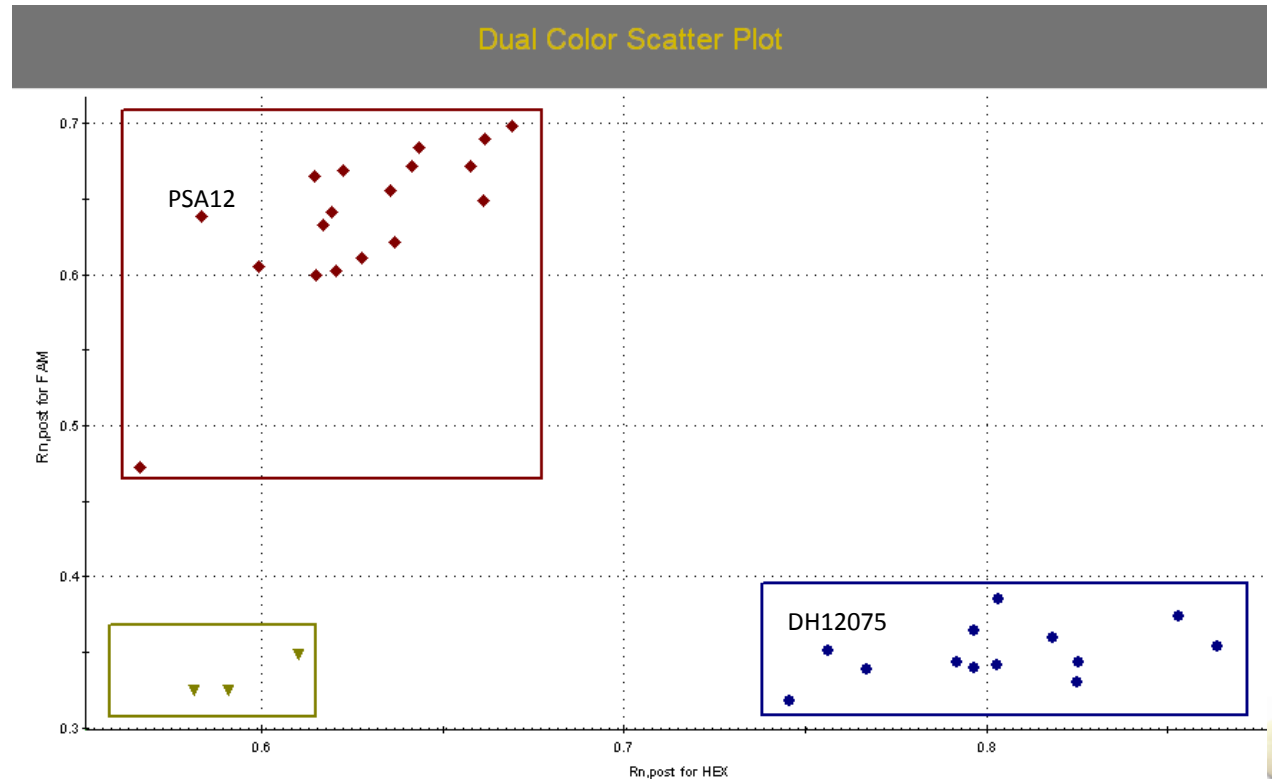
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Samourai	Capitol	Yudal	Express M7
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Quinta	Quantum	Scoop	
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
Ningyou 7	Westar	Paroll	
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V8	Mohican	YND1	
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
Glacier	Global	Stellar	
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	
Tapidor	Dunkeld	DH12075	
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	



- 100 SNPs
- 27 *B. napus* lines

# SNP Validation in a Spring type DH population: PSA12xDH12075

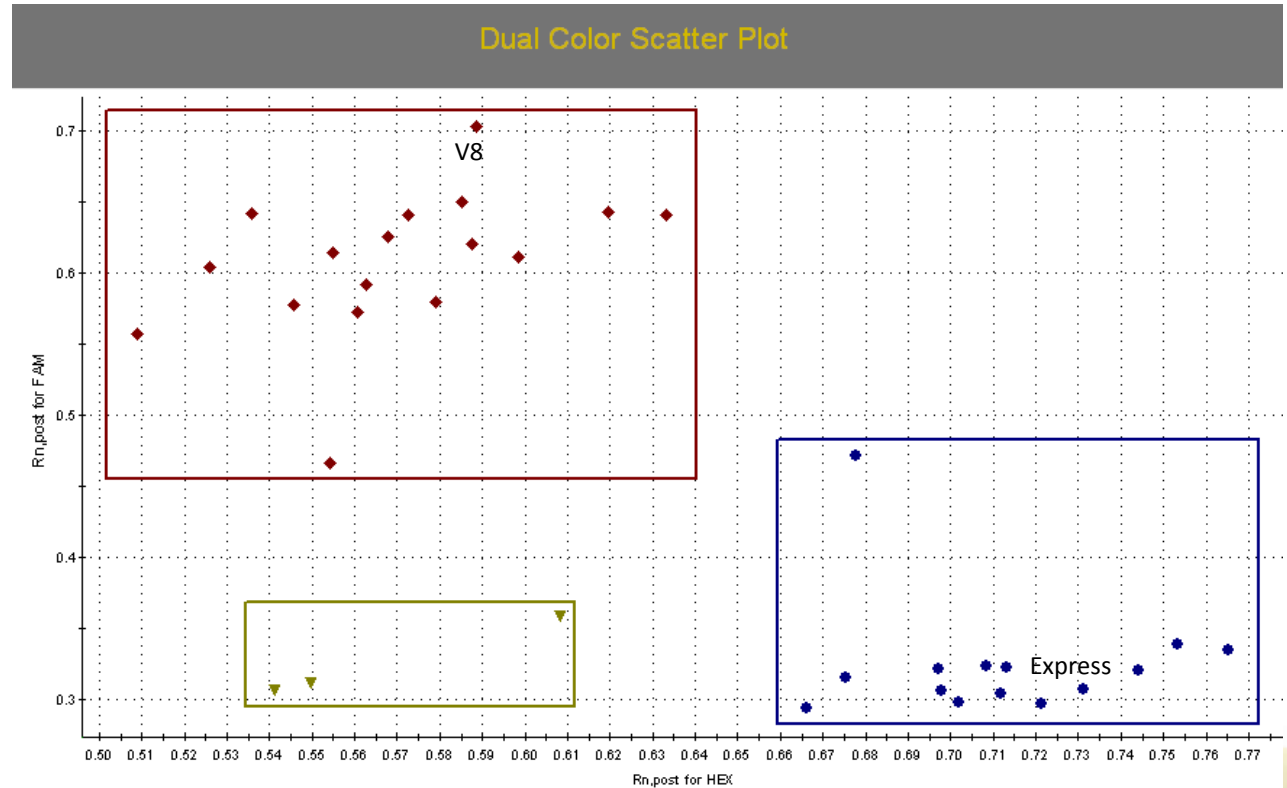
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SG22	SG120	SG209	SG309
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
SG30	SG130	SG214	SG330
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
SG35	SG135	SG225	SG333
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
SG75	SG165	SG249	
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
SG80	SG168	SG254	DH12075
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
SG85	SG175	SG270	PSA12
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM



- 19 SNPs
- 30 DH 12075 x PSA12 individuals + parents

# SNP Validation in a Winter type DH population: V8xExpress

5	6	7	8
3033-1	3009-1	3019-1	3029-1
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
3001-1	3010-1	3020-1	3030-1
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
3002-1	3011-1	3022-1	3031-1
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
3003-1	3012-1	3023-1	3032-1
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
3004-1	3014-2	3024-1	3034-1
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
3005-1	3015-1	3025-1	
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	
3006-1	3016-1	3026-1	V8
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM
3007-1	3018-1	3027-1	Express
REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM	REF HEX FAM



- 37 SNPs
- 29 V8 x Express individuals + parents



# Results

## KASPar assay SNP validation summary

	Diversity Set	Parental lines specific SNP*		
		DH12075 x PSA12	V8 x Express	Both populations
<b>Individuals tested</b>	25	30	29	-
<b>Total SNP tested</b>	100	19	37	44
<b>Amplification type</b>				
No amplification	12	0	4	8
Monomorphic	9	1	5	6
Multiple Loci	8	2	0	6
Polymorphic**	71	16	28	24
<b>% PA</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>% PS</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>55</b>

Singleplex KASPar SNP validation assay of a set of 100 discovered SNP markers.

Abbreviations: PA = Positive Amplification; PS = Polymorphic SNPs.

\* Represents markers specifically designed from SNPs that showed polymorphism for a specific set of reference mapping parental lines. For instance, polymorphisms between the spring type parents, (DH12075 and PSA12); polymorphisms between the winter type parents, (V8 and Express); and polymorphisms detected for both sets of parental lines at the same SNP locus.

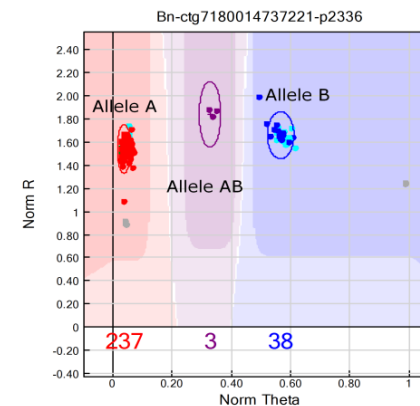
\*\* Polymorphic SNPs also include two dominant (presence/absence of the tested allele) marker types.

(Clarke et al., 2013)

# SNP Marker Validation using a 60K Illumina Infinium array

- Brassica 60K iSelect 24x1HD Custom Genotyping Beadchips.
- Infinium HD Assay Ultra Protocol
- 100 *Brassica napus* lines
- 4333 SNPs evaluated

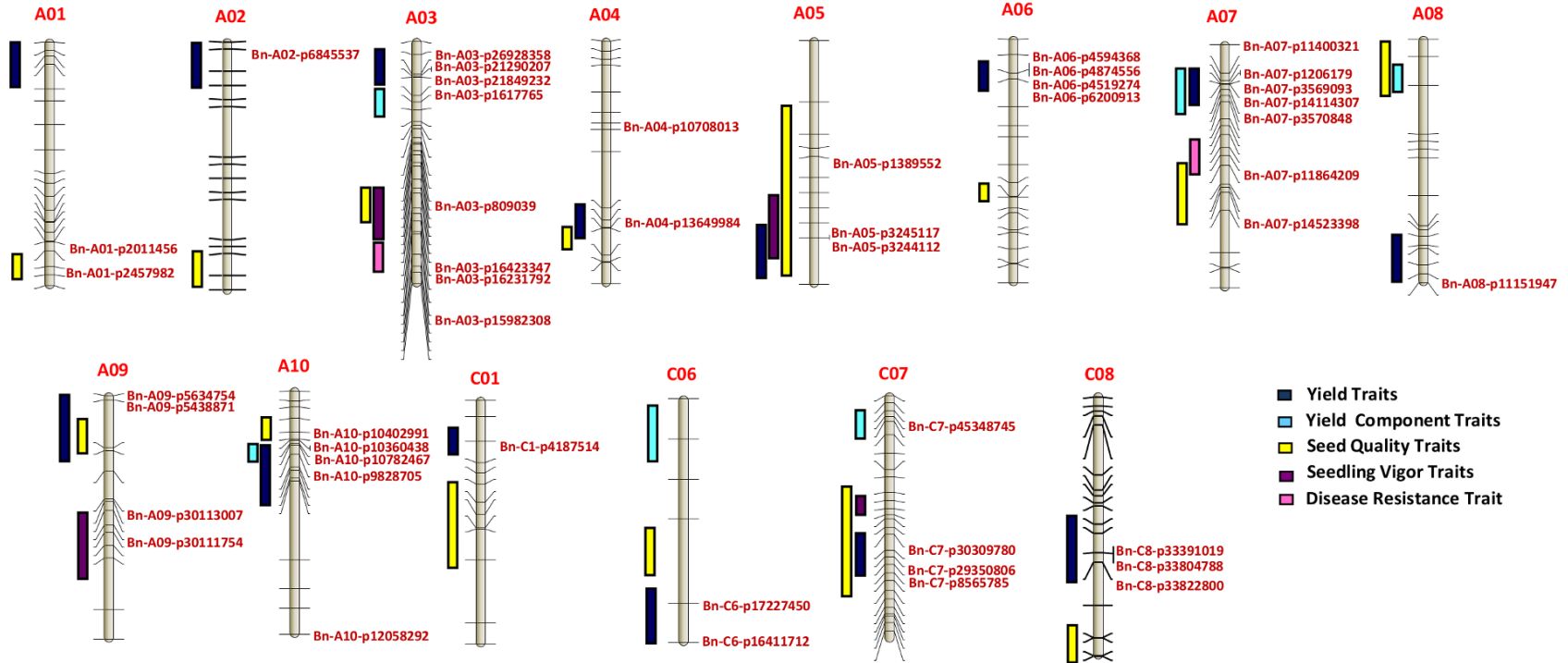
Total Number of SNPs	4333	Percentage
Failed SNPs	363	-
SNPs with positive amplification	3970	<b>91.6%</b>
SNPs with multiple loci	1529	<b>38.5%</b>
Polymorphic SNPs	2441	<b>61.5%</b>



(Clarke et al., 2013)

# Bi-parental Mapping SNP marker Validation

## A. PSA12xDH12075 Mapping Population (Spring)

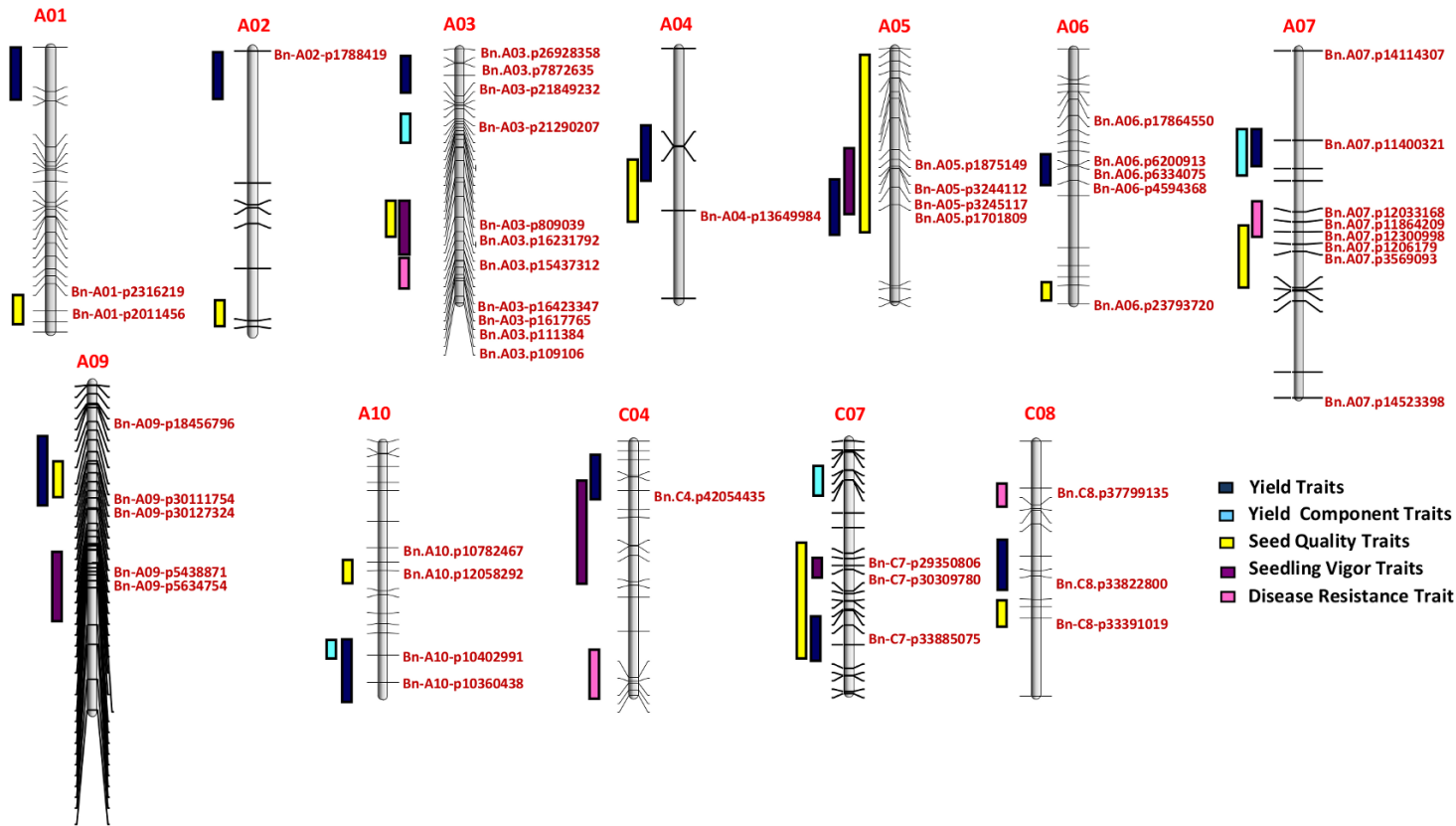


44 out of 48 SNPs markers (91.6%) mapped to the interrogated genomic regions (QTLs) in the DH12075 x PSA12.

(Clarke et al., 2013)

# Bi-parental Mapping SNP marker Validation

## B. V8xExpress Mapping Population (Winter)



45 de 48 SNPs markers (93.7%) mapped to the interrogated genomic regions (QTLs) in the Express x V8.

(Clarke et al., 2013)

# Conclusions SNP Development

- I) It was possible to combine "Sequence Capture" and NGS technologies to interrogate 11% of the *B. napus* genome that explained characters of agronomical and nutritional interest.
- II) Using the completed A and C genome sequences of *B. napus* proved to be crucial to effectively map and assemble the haplotype sequence reads for the ten lines studied.
- III) More than 500,000 SNPs were discovered in all 47 regions surveyed, including 42% genic and 58% intergenic SNPs.
- IV) The SNP validation rate was close to 80% demonstrating an effective combination of molecular tools and bioinformatics.
- V) International Brassica 60K SNP array contribution (Illumina)



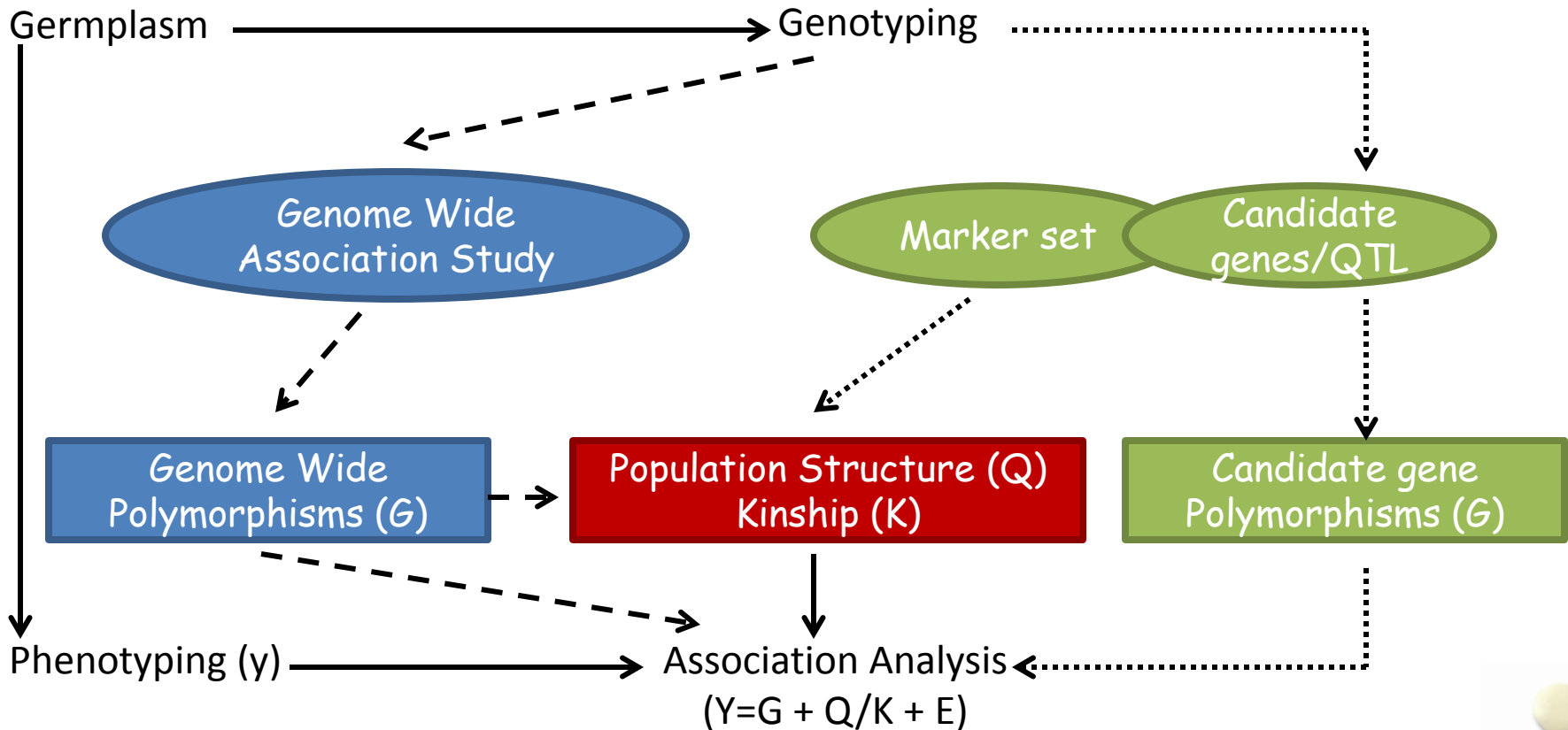


# Development and Implementation of Genomic Tools

**Application:** Association mapping of seed quality traits in *Brassica napus* L. using *GWAS* and candidate QTL approaches.



# Association Mapping Methodologies



**Identification of SNP markers associated to seed quality traits using a GWAS and a candidate QTL approach**

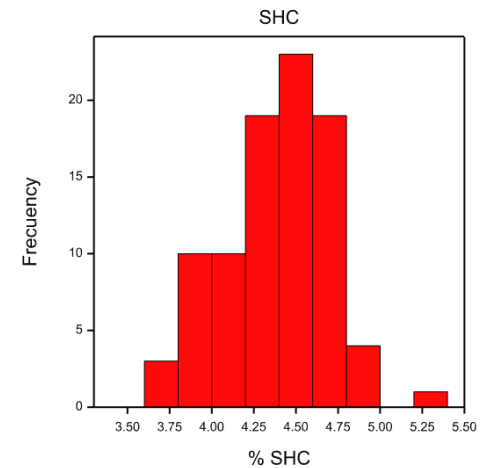
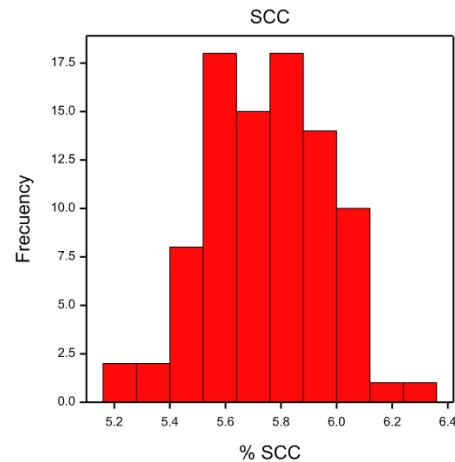
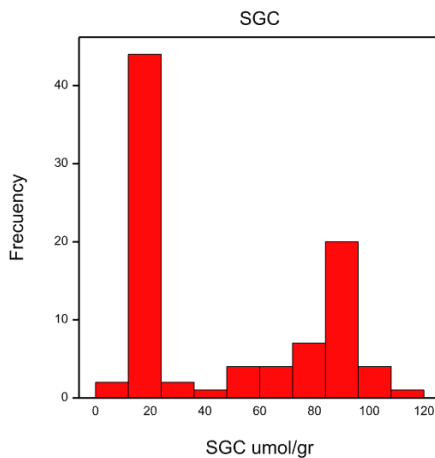
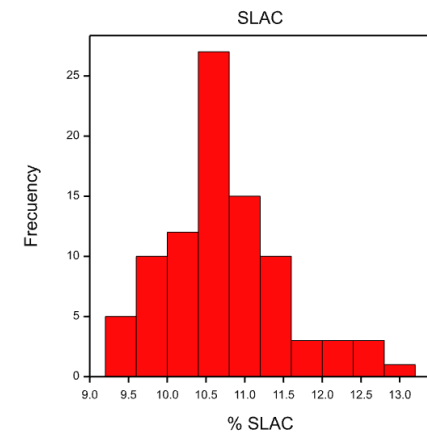
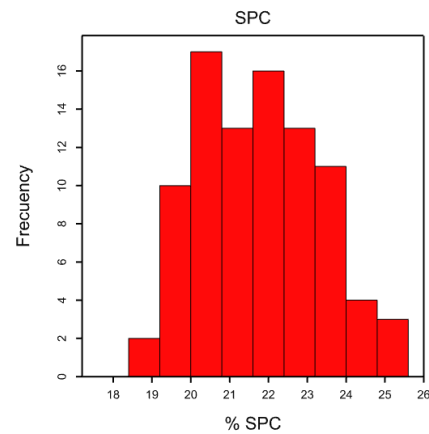
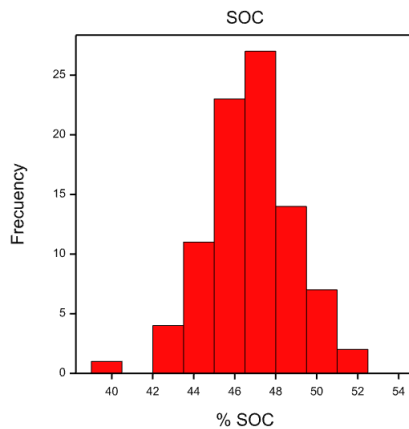
*Modified from Zhu y col., 2008*

# Objectives

- I) Evaluate six seed quality traits in an association panel composed of 89 lines that were phenotyped in two environments during two seasons in a CRBD in Germany and Chile.
- II) Select 140 SNP markers (11 QTLs , ~11.5 Mpb) for the cQTL approach and 5506 SNP markers (genome wide) for the GWAS approach.
- III) Analyze the population structure (K) and the relative kinship (Q) among the lines that compose the association panel.
- IV) Find significant and positive SNP/phenotype associations using conservative cQTL and GWAS (examination of P-P graphs).
- V) Determined the allelic effects of the significantly associated SNP markers (Box plot analysis).
- VI) Linkage map analysis for the SNP markers identified using the cQTL approach (validation assay) and characterization of SNP markers showing significant associations.

# Results

Seed quality histogram distribution for the six traits evaluated in the diversity panel.  
(average from the four locations evaluated)



(Gajardo et al. 2014, submitted)

# Results

Analysis of Variance and descriptive statistics.

Source of variation	SOC	SPC	SLAC	SGC	SCC	SHC
Genotype	9.87 <sup>**</sup>	8.04 <sup>**</sup>	9.63 <sup>**</sup>	267.38 <sup>**</sup>	3.31 <sup>**</sup>	14.60 <sup>**</sup>
Environment	3.27 <sup>**</sup>	1.45 <sup>**</sup>	1.17 <sup>**</sup>	1.04 <sup>**</sup>	1.86 <sup>**</sup>	0.78 <sup>**</sup>
REP × E	97.72 <sup>**</sup>	46.49 <sup>**</sup>	255.87 <sup>**</sup>	8.92 <sup>**</sup>	244.0 <sup>**</sup>	53.42 <sup>**</sup>
G × E	1.13 <sup>ns</sup>	1.16 <sup>ns</sup>	0.74 <sup>ns</sup>	0.47 <sup>ns</sup>	1.30 <sup>ns</sup>	0.41 <sup>ns</sup>
Mean	46.775	21.765	10.73	47.195	5.755	4.39
Range	39.93-52.4	18.9-25.21	9.28-12.98	10.86-112.7	5.28-6.26	3.66-5.21
H	0.89	0.87	0.86	0.99	0.69	0.84
CV (%)	2.63	4.57	5.37	12.75	3.59	5.8

Phenotypic correlation coefficient for the six traits evaluated.

SOC	-					
SPC	-0.530 <sup>**</sup>	-				
SLAC	0.091 <sup>ns</sup>	-0.014 <sup>ns</sup>	-			
SGC	-0.006 <sup>ns</sup>	0.562 <sup>**</sup>	-0.023 <sup>ns</sup>	-		
SCC	-0.650 <sup>**</sup>	0.233 <sup>**</sup>	-0.563 <sup>**</sup>	-0.159 <sup>**</sup>	-	
SHC	-0.782 <sup>**</sup>	0.139 <sup>**</sup>	0.017 <sup>ns</sup>	-0.271 <sup>**</sup>	0.537 <sup>**</sup>	-
	SOC	SPC	SLAC	SGC	SCC	SHC

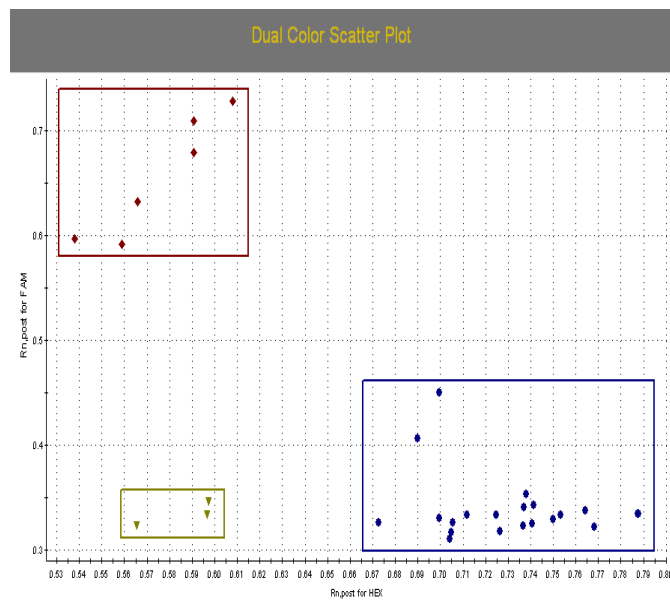
(Gajardo et al. 2014, submitted)



# Results

Selection and genotyping of the association panel (89 lines) using a PCR allele specific method (cQTL) and a 6K Illumina array.

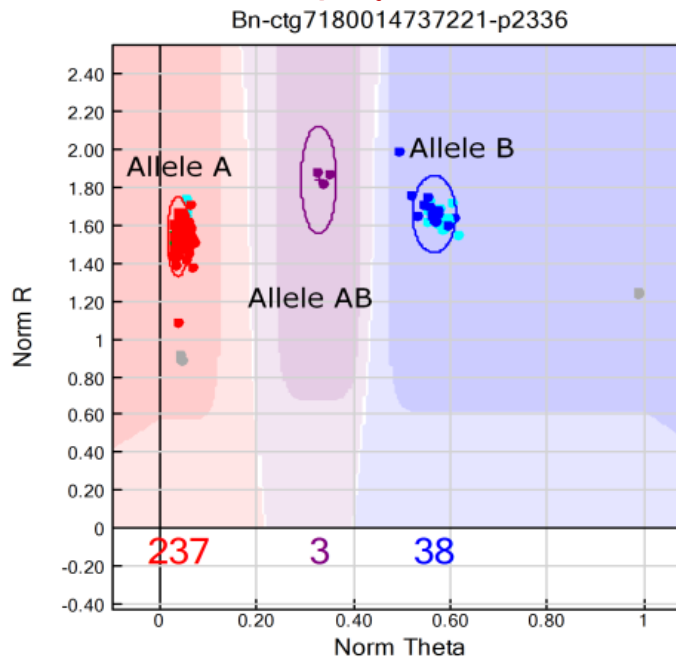
## cQTL



MxPro qPCR

100/140 SNP were chosen for further analysis  
(highly polymorphic)

## GWAS



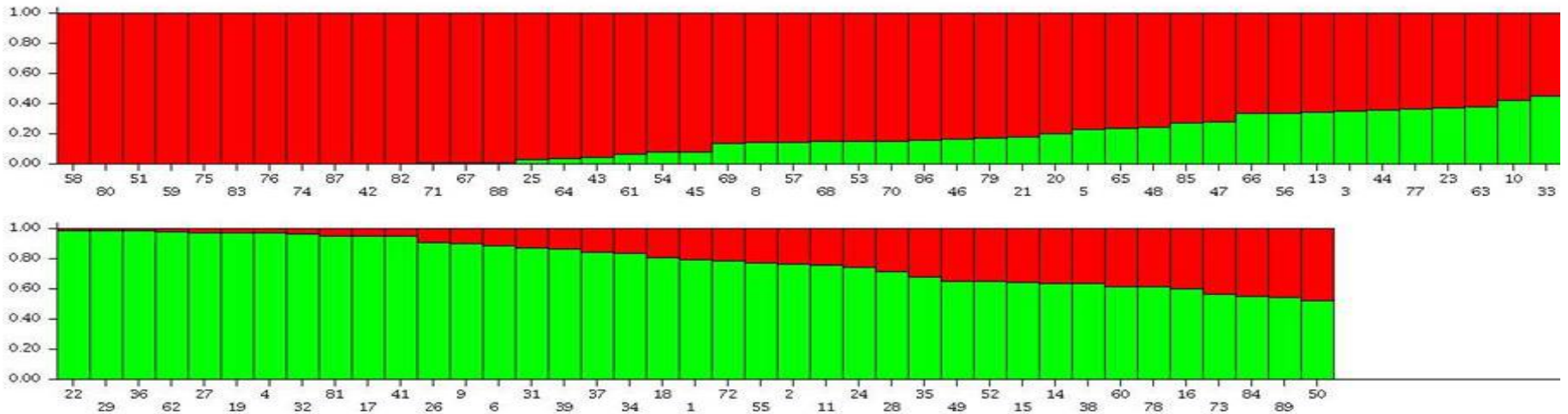
Genome Wide Study

Filter GWAS polymorphic SNPs:  
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## Population Structure determination.

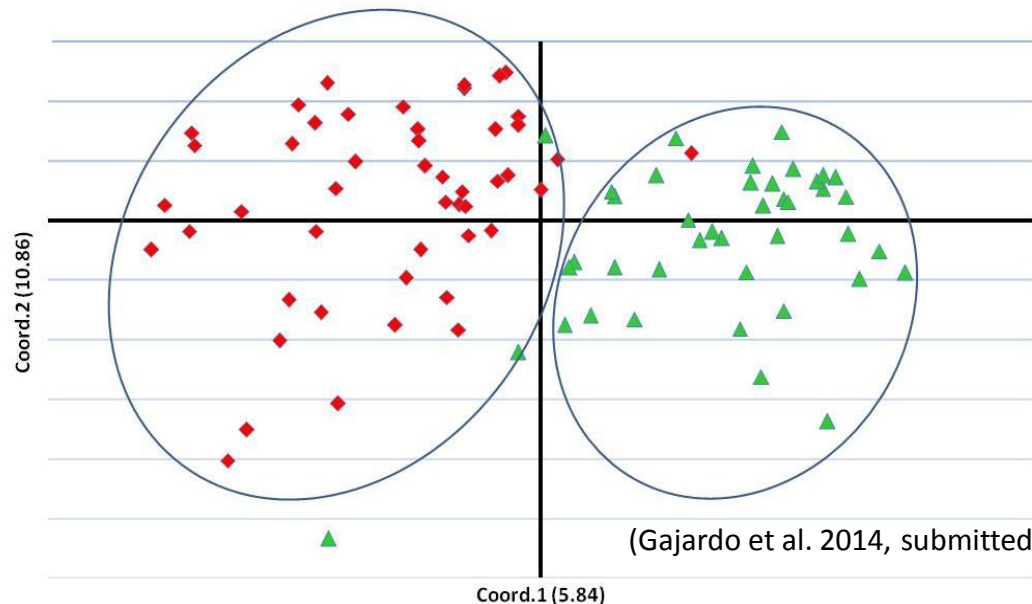


STRUCTURE v2.3.4 (Pritchard et al. 2000)

GENALEX v.6.5 (Peakall and Smouse, 2006)

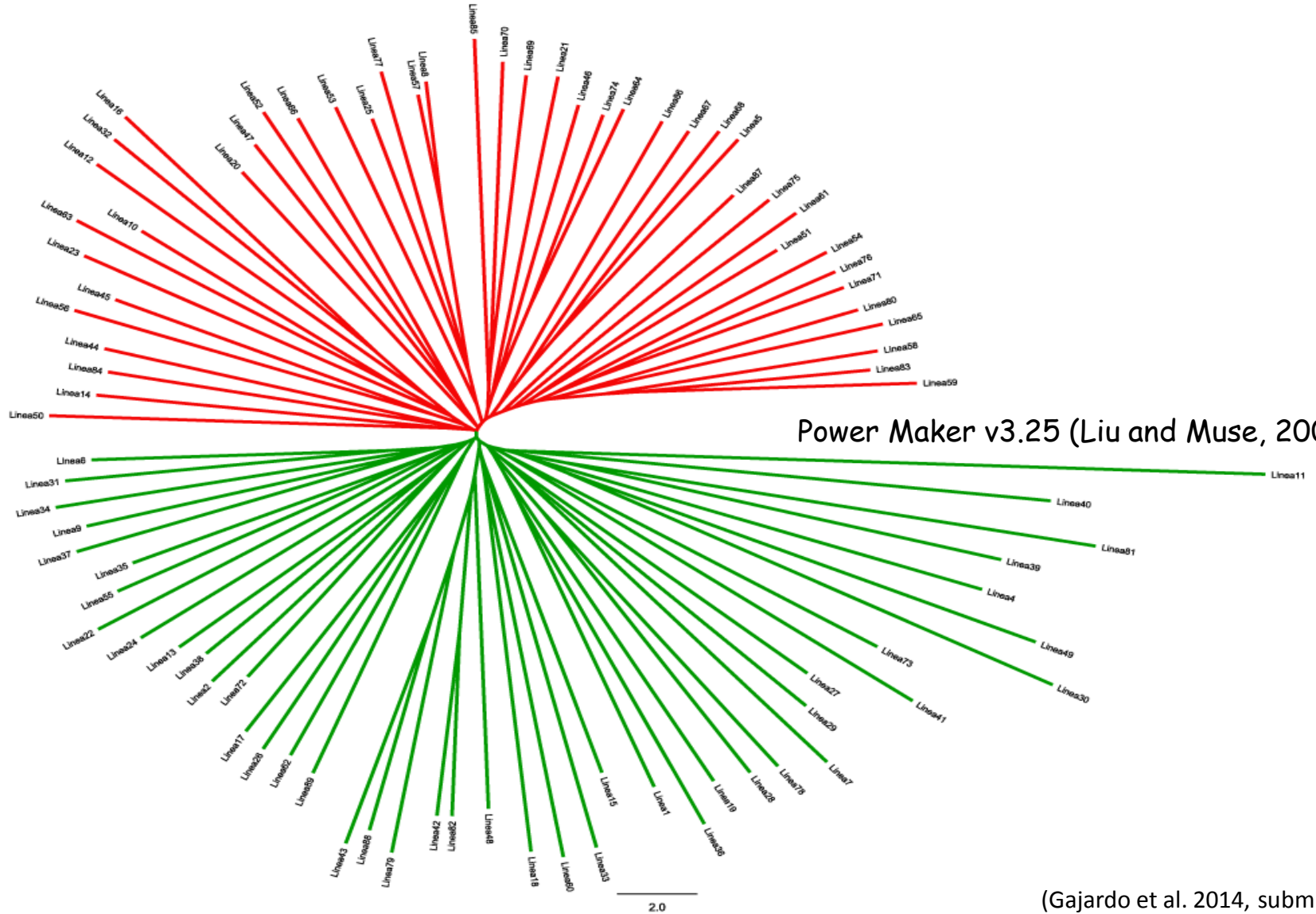
**Group 1: red**  
**Group 2: green**

***F<sub>st</sub>: 0.037***  
**(Genetic Differentiation Coef.)**



# Results

Population Structure determination.

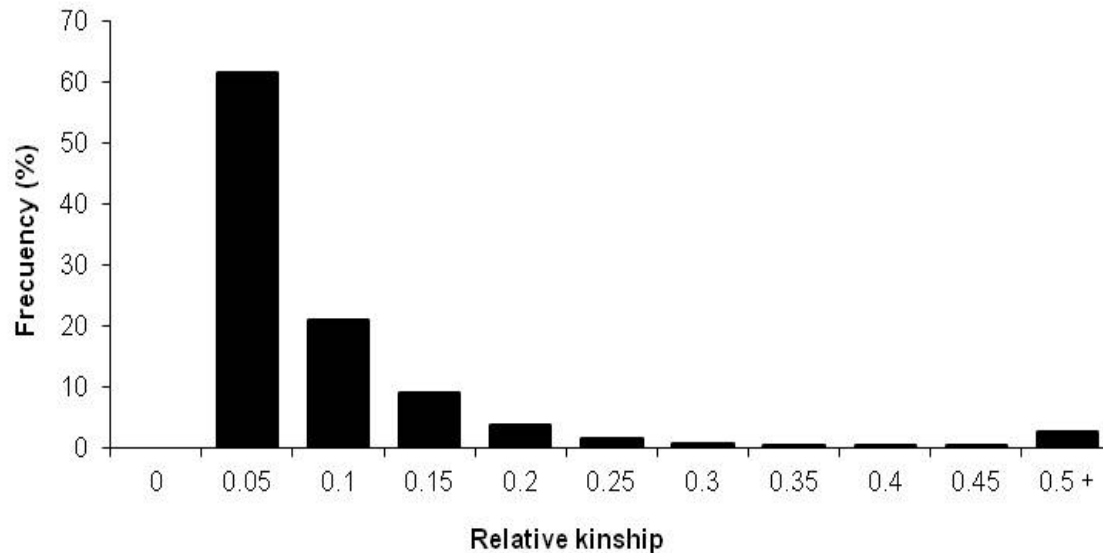


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# Results

Relative kinship determination for the *B. napus* lines in the diversity set studied.

SpaGEdi v1.4 (Loiselle et al. 1995; Hardy and Vekemans 2002)

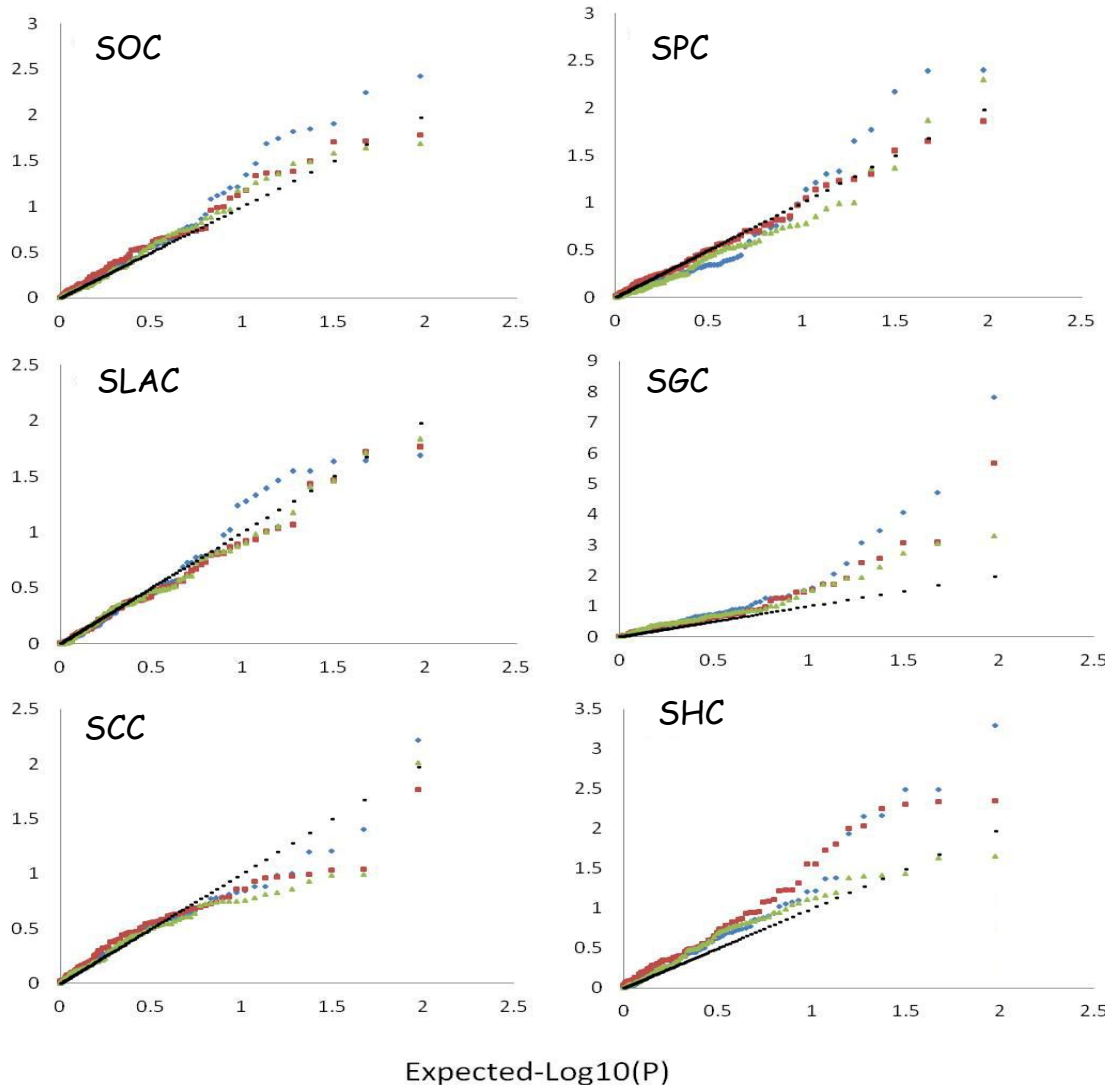


- Average relative kinship between any genotype pair tested was low (0.04).
- Approximately 82% of all kinship comparisons ranged between 0 and 0.1.

(Gajardo et al. 2014, submitted)

# Results

cQTL approach: association mapping analysis using three different stringency levels.



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- MLM+K
- ▲ MLM+Q+K

MLM+Q+K: para SOC, SGC, SLAC and SCC.

MLM+K para SPC

GLM+Q para SHC

P-P graphs for the three association mapping models.

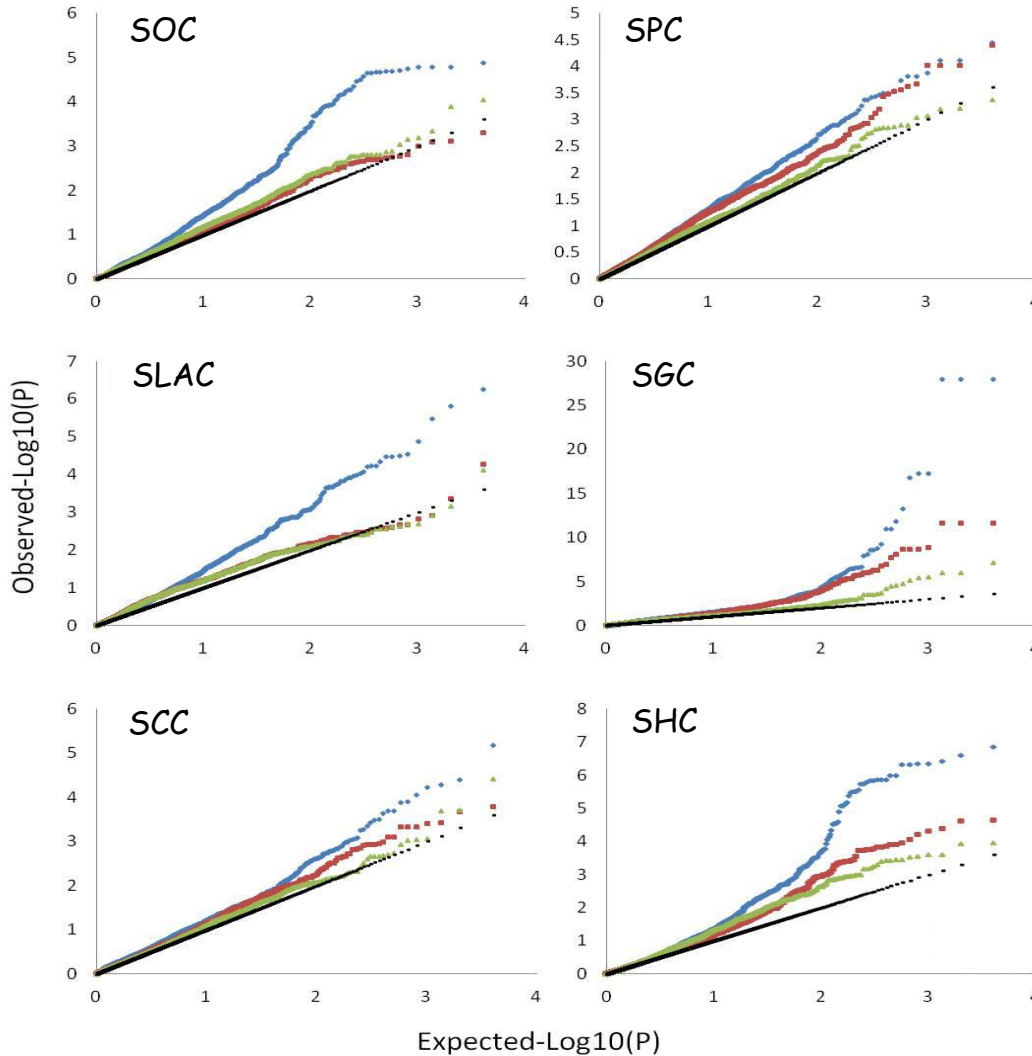


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GWAS approach: association mapping analysis using three different stringency levels.



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- MLM+K
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MLM+Q+K: para SOC, SPC, SLAC, SGC, SCC y SHC.

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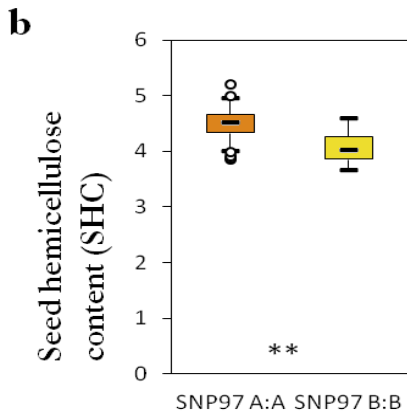
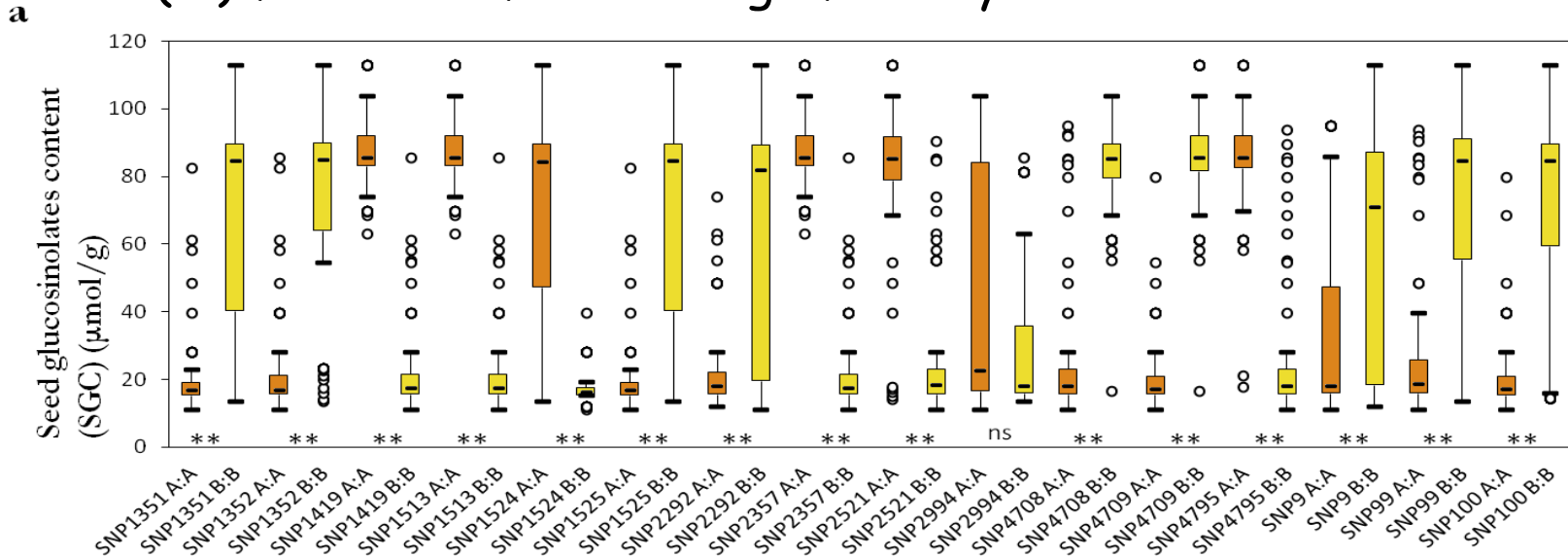
SNP markers significantly associated with SGC and SHC identified by GWAS and cQTL approaches.

	SNP	GG2010	GG2011	R2010	R2011	Average	R <sup>2</sup>
		p-value	p-value	p-value	p-value	p-value	
<b>SGC:GWAS</b>	1351	0.00000146**	0.00000295**	0.00000169**	0.00000146**	0.000000981**	0.149
<b>MLM+Q+K</b>	1352	0.00000579**	0.00000849**	0.00000846**	0.00000358**	0.00000346**	0.150
	1419	0.0000133**	0.0000104**	0.000161*	0.00031*	0.000314 <sup>ns</sup>	0.064
	1513	0.0000133**	0.0000104**	0.000161*	0.00031*	0.000314 <sup>ns</sup>	0.064
	1524	0.0000061**	0.0000125**	0.00000681**	0.0000063**	0.00000426**	0.148
	1525	0.00000146**	0.00000295**	0.00000169**	0.00000146**	0.000000981**	0.149
	2292	0.0000758*	0.000043*	0.0000395*	0.0000238**	0.0000259**	0.109
	2357	0.0000133**	0.0000104**	0.000161*	0.00031*	0.000314 <sup>ns</sup>	0.064
	2521	0.0002*	0.0000932*	0.000106*	0.0000668*	0.0000649*	0.080
	2994	0.0000687*	0.00000265**	0.0000928*	0.0000197**	0.0000173**	0.114
	4708	0.000102*	0.0000761*	0.00003**	0.0000463*	0.0000341**	0.122
	4709	0.00000024**	0.000000128**	0.0000000787**	0.000000106**	0.0000000788**	0.202
	4795	0.0000466*	0.00000496**	0.0000169**	0.00000802*	0.00000768**	0.140
<b>SGC:cQTL</b>	9	0.000984*	0.000481*	0.002070579 <sup>ns</sup>	0.002150006*	0.000943*	0.069
<b>MLM+Q+K</b>	99	0.005803458 <sup>ns</sup>	0.001284629*	0.007207239 <sup>ns</sup>	0.001127141*	0.001900969*	0.074
	100	0.000963*	0.000574*	0.001147478 <sup>ns</sup>	0.000272*	0.000522*	0.089
<b>SHC:cQTL</b>	97	0.006035472 <sup>ns</sup>	0.0513845 <sup>ns</sup>	0.000209*	0.02708079 <sup>ns</sup>	0.000506*	0.122
<b>GLM+Q</b>							

<sup>a</sup>GG2010: Groß Gerau season 2010; GG2011: Groß Gerau season 2011; R2010: Rauschholzhausen season 2010; R2011: Rauschholzhausen season 2011. <sup>b</sup>R<sup>2</sup>: phenotypic variation explained for the marker. Significance after multiple comparison adjustments *q*FDR (Software Q-value): \*, *q*<0.05, \*\*, *q*<0.01, <sup>ns</sup>: not significant. (Gajardo et al. 2014, submitted)

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Allele effect assessment observed across the distribution for *SGC* ( $\mu\text{mol/g}$ ) and *SHC* (%) for each of the 17 significantly associated SNP markers.



SGC-associated SNP markers

Box plot illustrating the distribution of *SGC* in the *B. napus* association panel for: (a) 16 SNP markers significantly associated with *SGC* ( $\mu\text{mol/g}$ ) and (b): 1 SNP marker associated with *SHC* (%).

The effect of both SNP markers alleles (A:A=orange bars or B:B=yellow bars) over the trait distribution is shown.

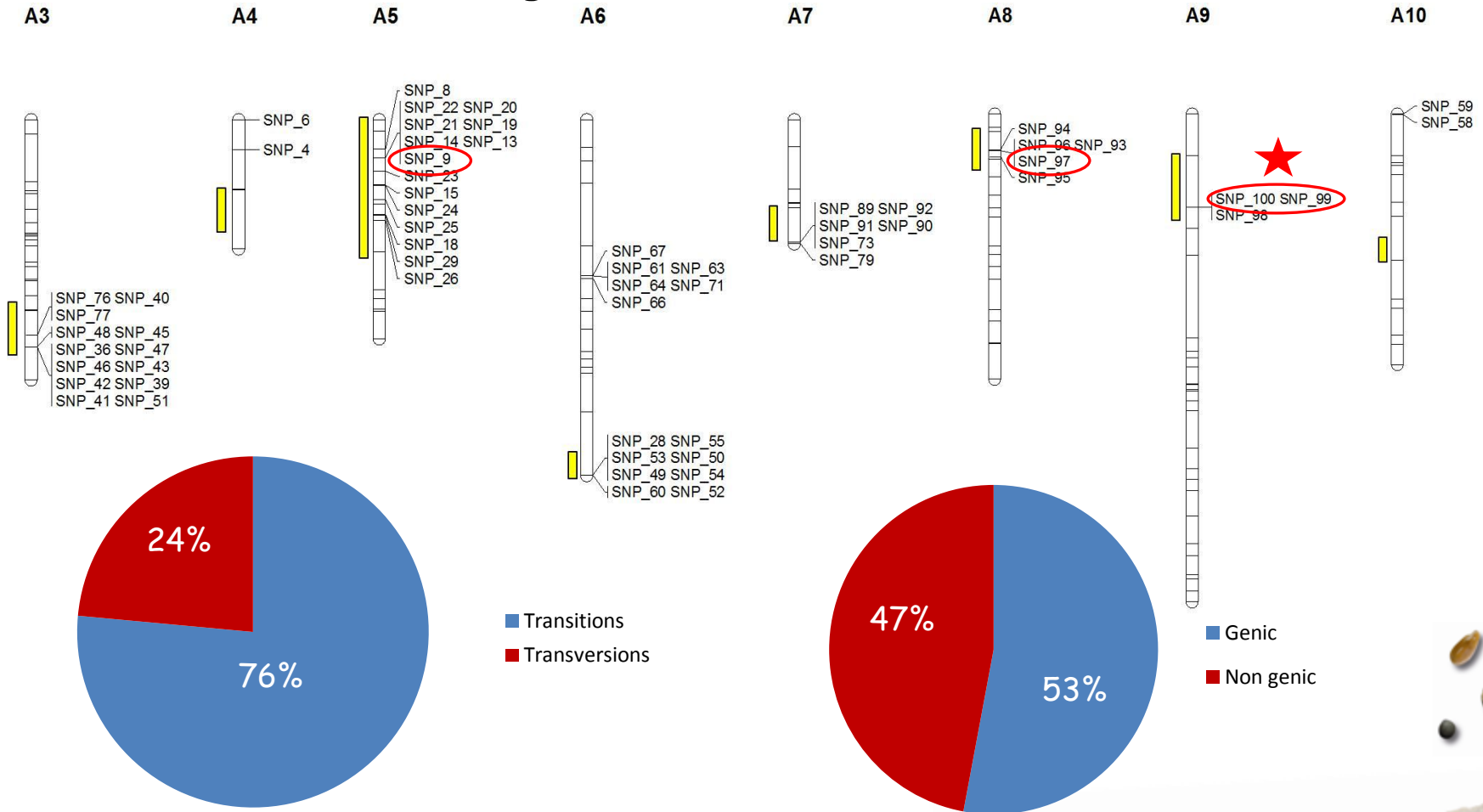
Statistical significance was obtained using the Kruskal Wallis non-parametric test: \*\*:  $p < 0.01$ , ns: not significant.

SHC-associated SNP marker

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Linkage map analysis for the SNP markers identified using the cQTL approach (validation assay) and characterization of SNP markers showing significant associations.



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# Conclusions SNP/Phenotype Associations

- I) The SNP-trait associations identified in this study were highly significant and consistent across environments and seasons evaluated.
- II) The targeted cQTL approach resulted in a more efficient methodology to identify SNP associations with seed quality traits compared to GWAS.
- III) Most SNP-trait associations displayed a significant allele effect over the associated trait.
- IV) Therefore, these SNP markers could assist in the selection of lines with reduced levels of seed glucosinolates and lower hemicellulose content (contributing to improved oil content) in *B. napus* breeding programs.

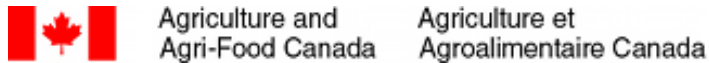
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