

Chasing Genes and Making an Impact Where it Matters

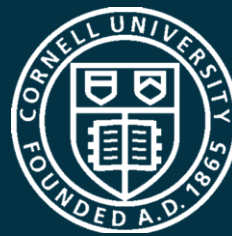


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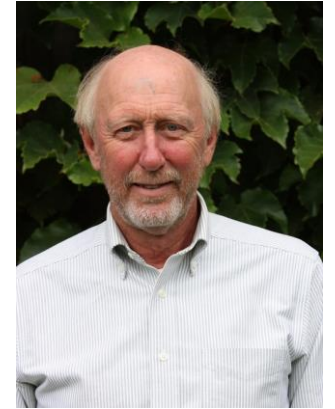
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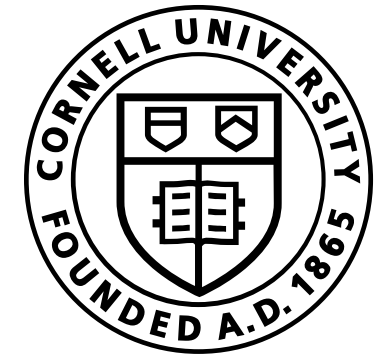


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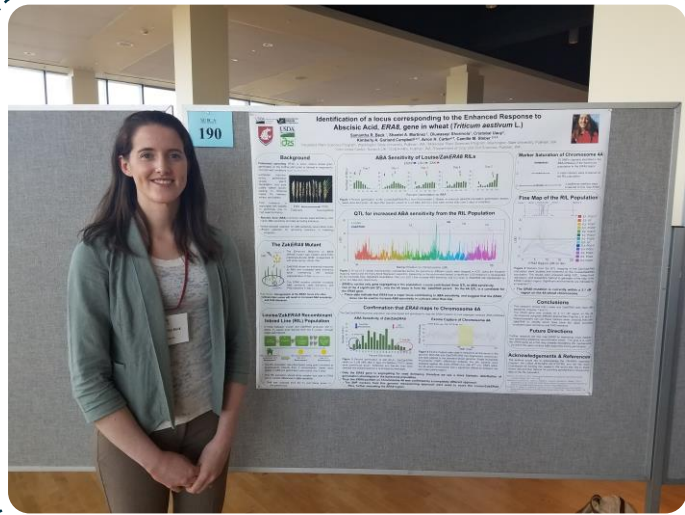
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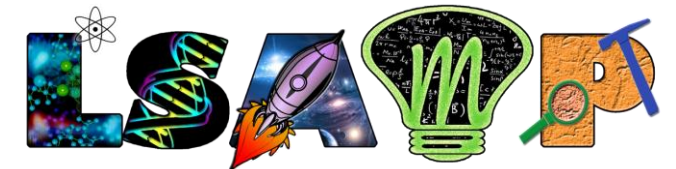
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SERVICE & OUTREACH



Mentoring women in science (3 years)



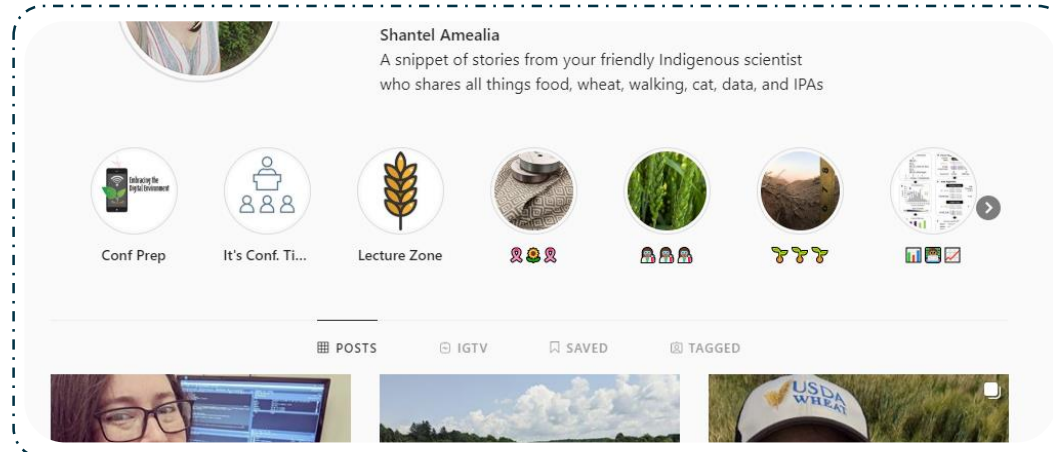
Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation

Volunteer, mentor (5 years)

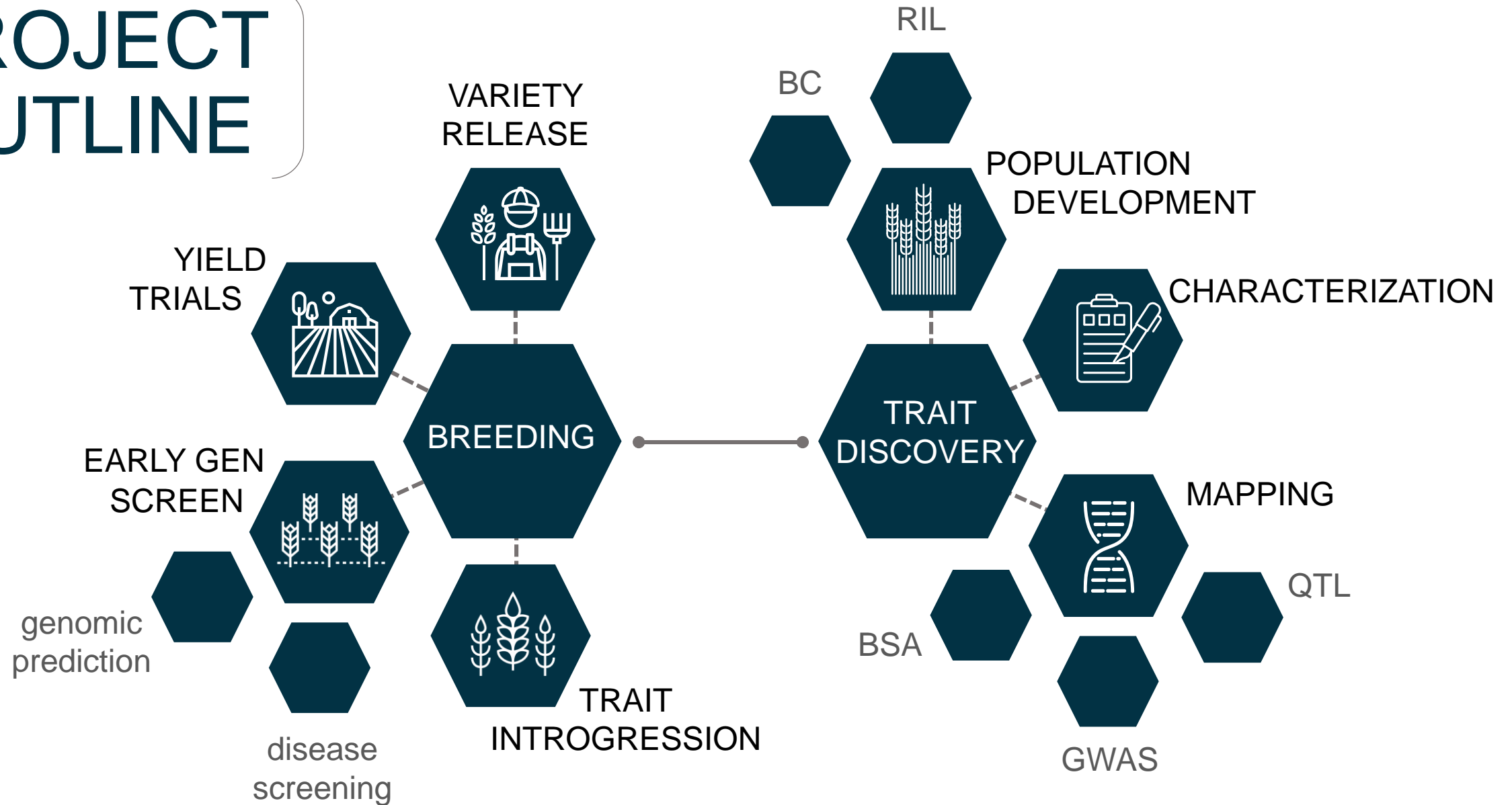
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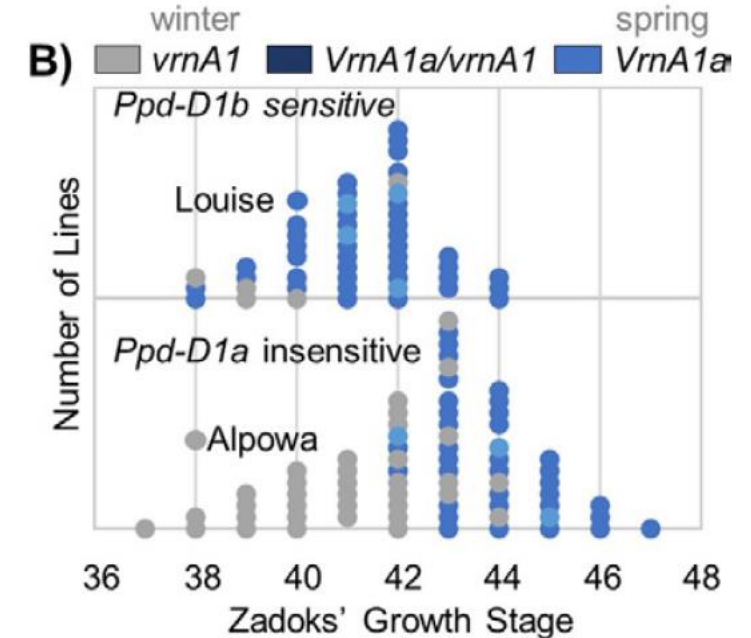
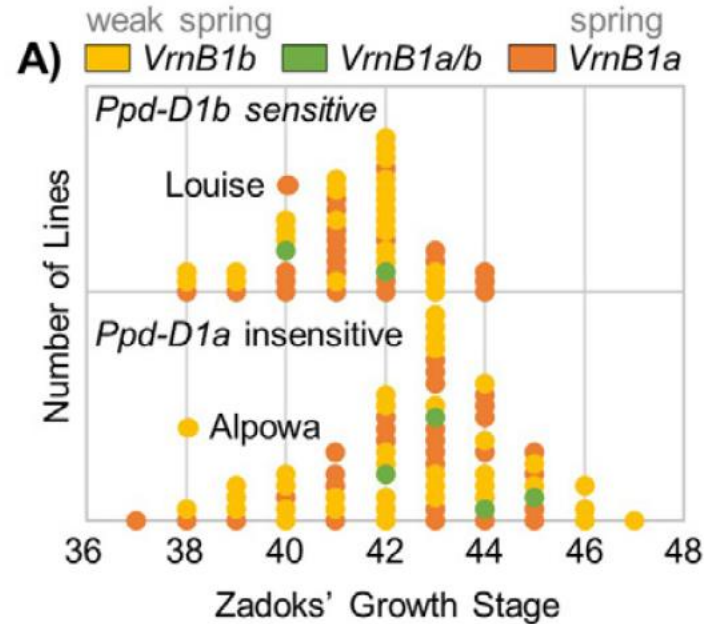
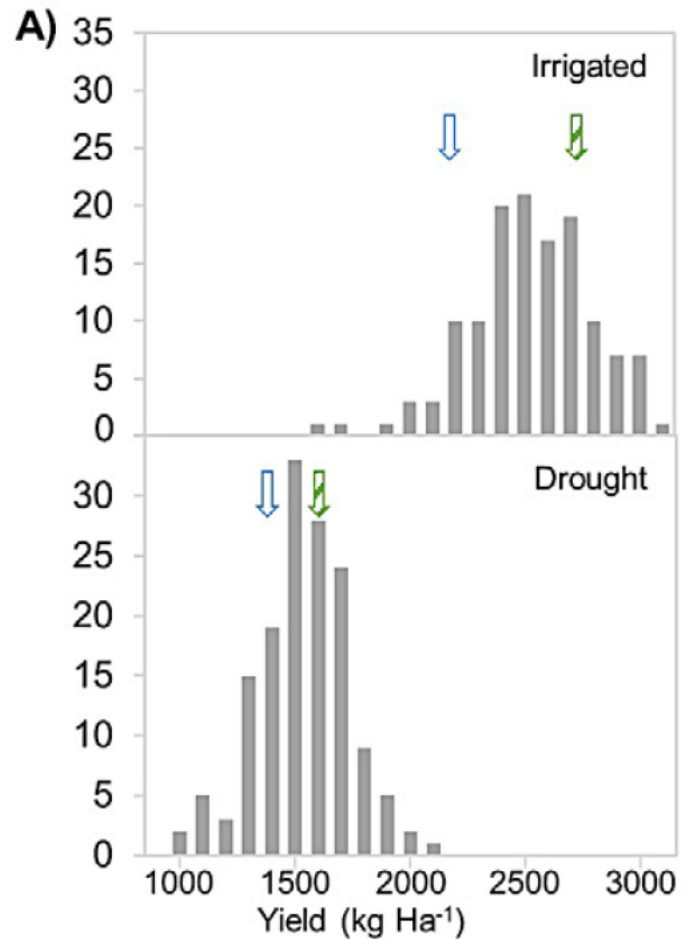
PROJECT OUTLINE



Mapping Population Release



Developed RIL population Louise x Alpowa for potential drought mapping studies



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MAPPING POPULATION

Registration of the Louise/Alpowa Wheat Recombinant Inbred Line Mapping Population

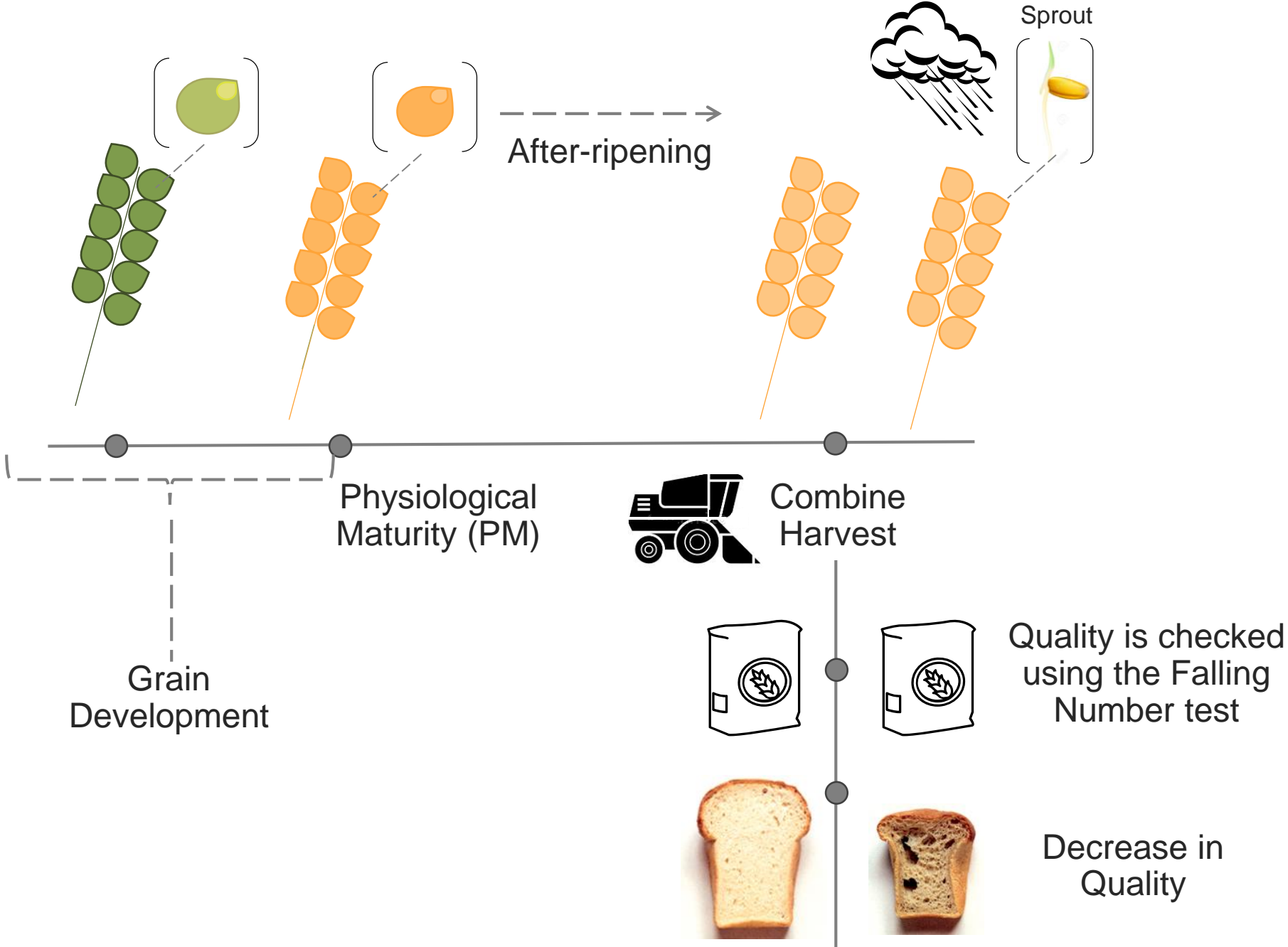
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Abstract
A mapping population was developed from the cross of soft

THE INLAND northwest of the United States is a major wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.)-producing region com-

Martinez et al., 2018a

Preharvest Sprouting





Wheat has quite a bit of genetic variation

Unfortunately, rain events do occur during harvest

England

Tobias Barber @ekte_Toby Following
I guess this is what you'd call pre-harvest sprouting #Harvest18



Jim Thompson @jimt_farmer Follow
Think rain has stopped play #wheatharvest18 @AllpressF @LumleySean @coostiebarrey @chrisbettinson2



Kansas

Kyler Millershaski @Shaski92 Follow
I'm always happy to have rain, but not the view I want during #WheatHarvest18 #kswx



3:36 PM - 22 Jun 2018
5 Retweets 37 Likes

Pacific Northwest



Nebraska

Chris Cu11an @ChrisCullan1 Follow
On the edge. #wheatharvest18



5:06 PM - 12 Jul 2018
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Canada

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#wheatharvest18 started here at fermeschauvinfarms.com in StoneyPoint. Decent yields for no rain ... #OntAg #AgMoreThanEver #goodineverygrain



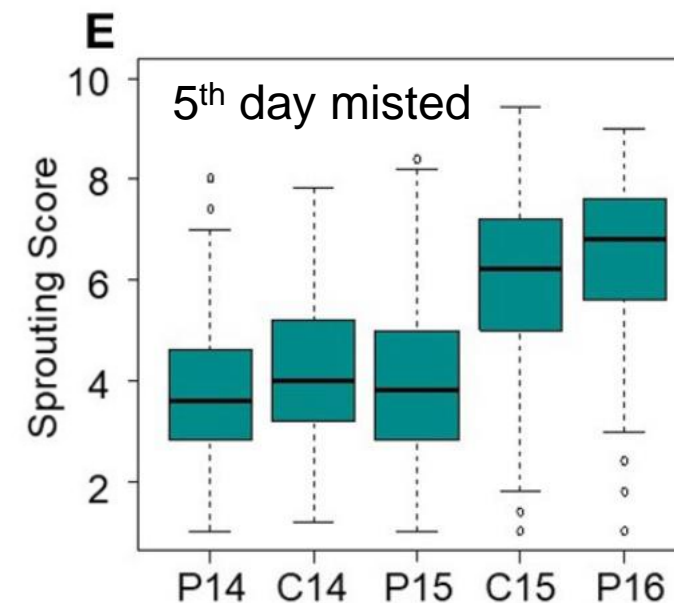
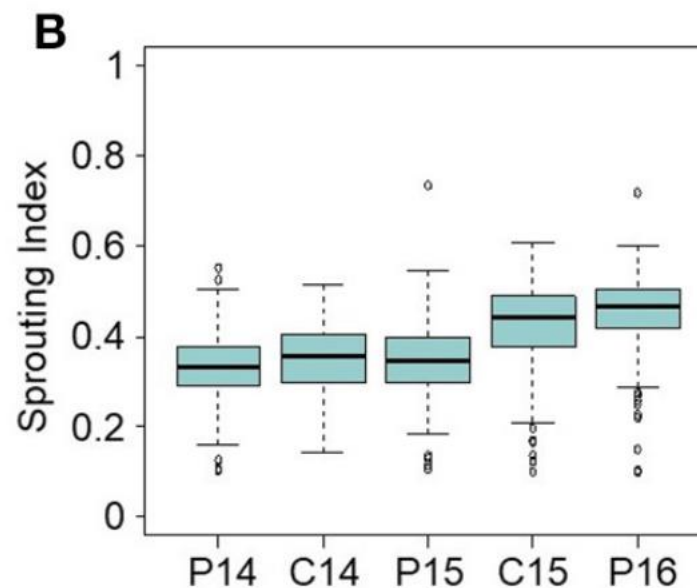
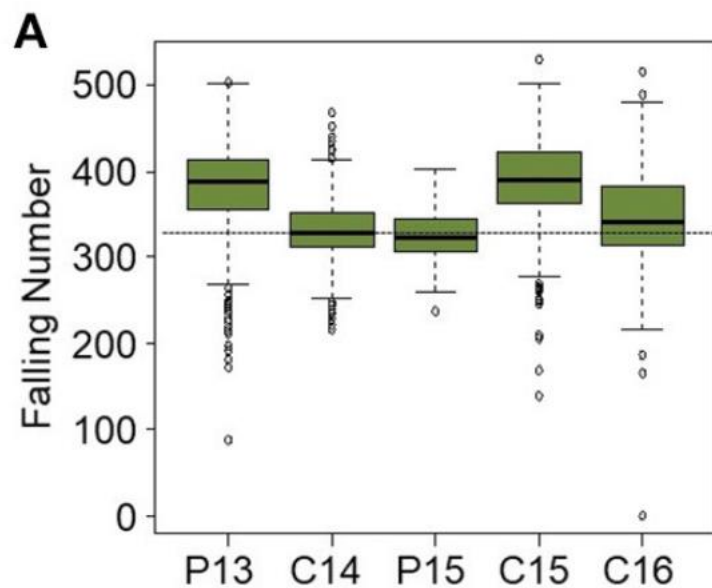
Farms.com

“...in 2016 when losses [*due to low FN*] were staggering, in the tens of millions of dollars.” - Alex McGregor



“...September 2016, as the dismal FN results came in, **growers, scientists, agencies, state legislators and Rep. Cathy McMorris Rogers (R-Wash.)** met make sure the FN challenge didn't fall off the radar screen down the road as other issues came to the fore. It hasn't.”

GWAS: PNW germplasm

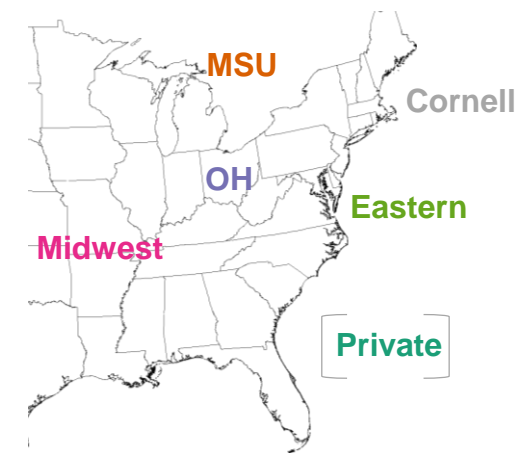
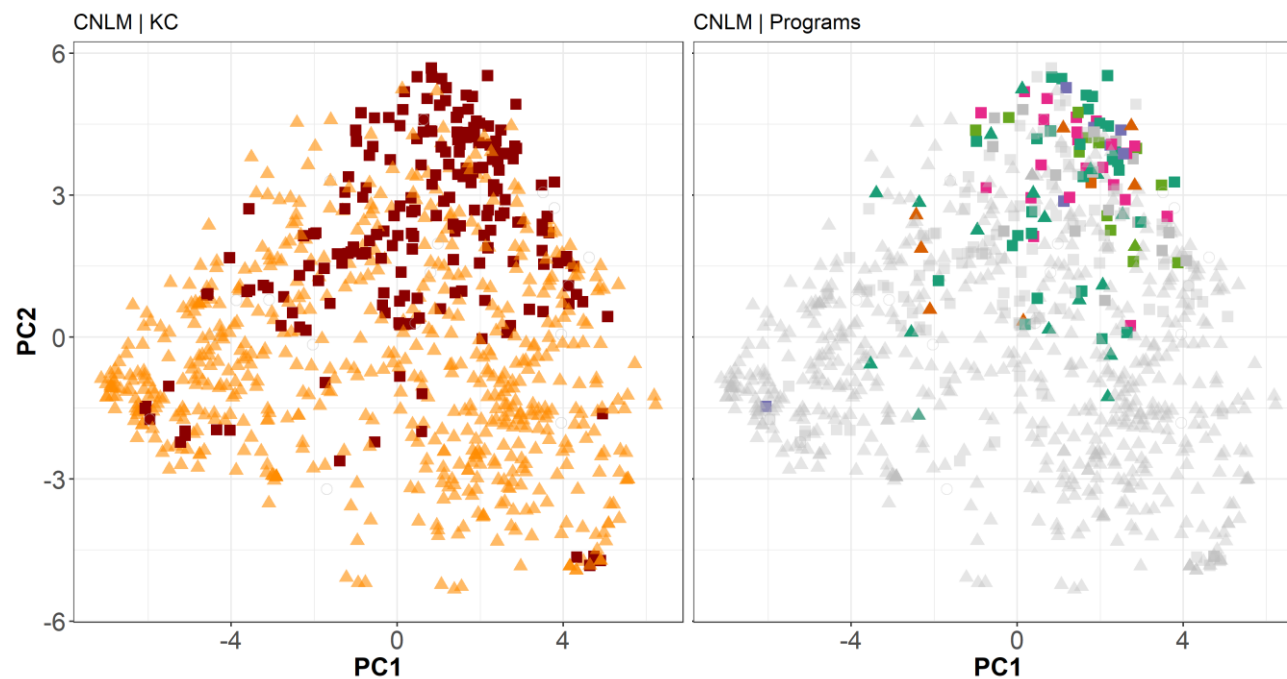
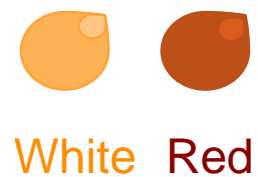


How does this study help?

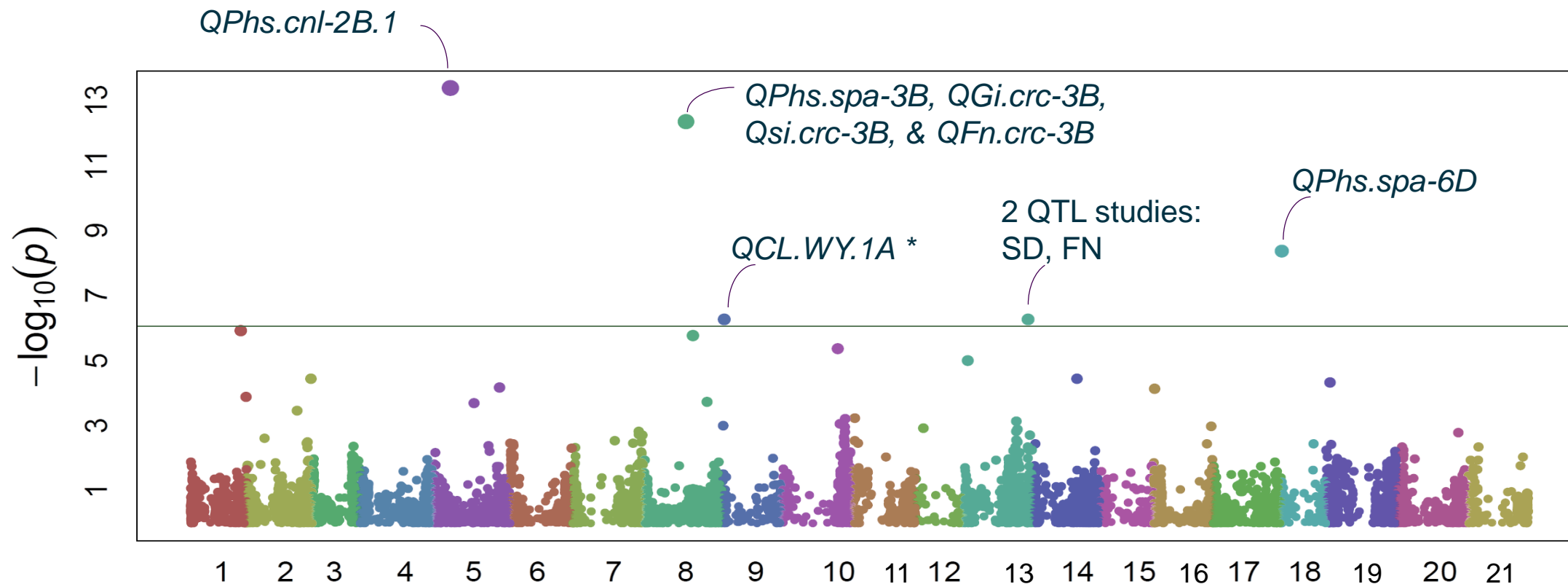
6 MTA made into KASP
markers for breeder selection

Identified germplasm that were
high in FN quality and/or PHS tolerant
versus germplasm that was too low in either

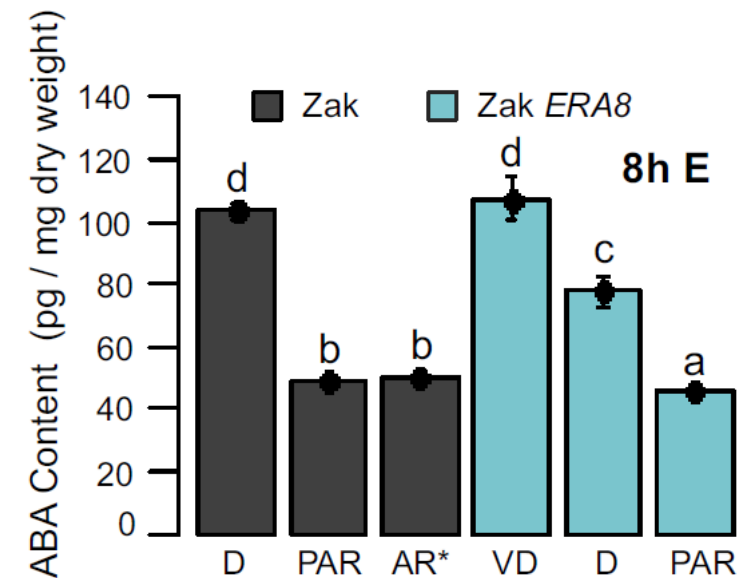
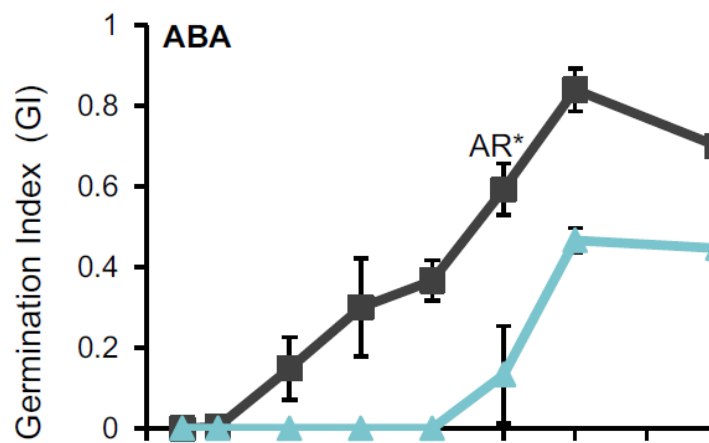
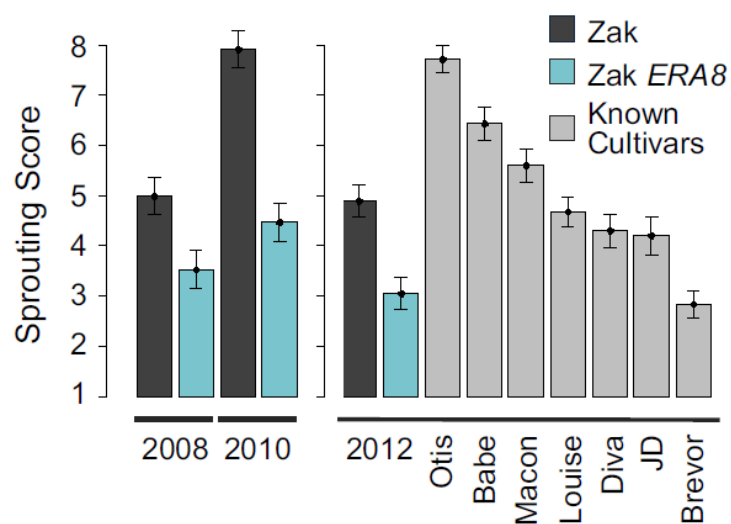
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ERA8 Mutant Characterization



Euphytica
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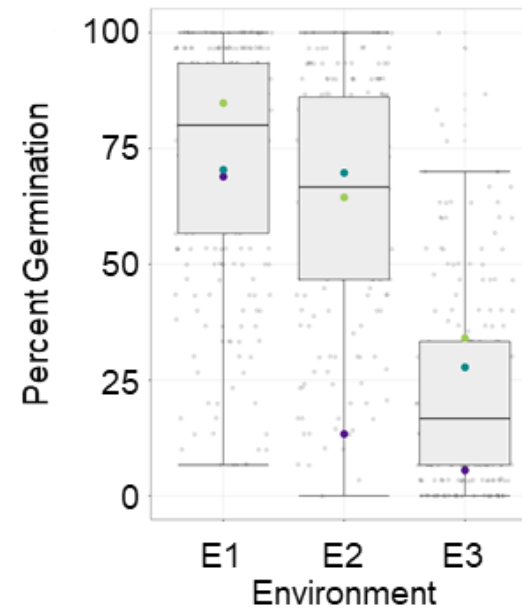
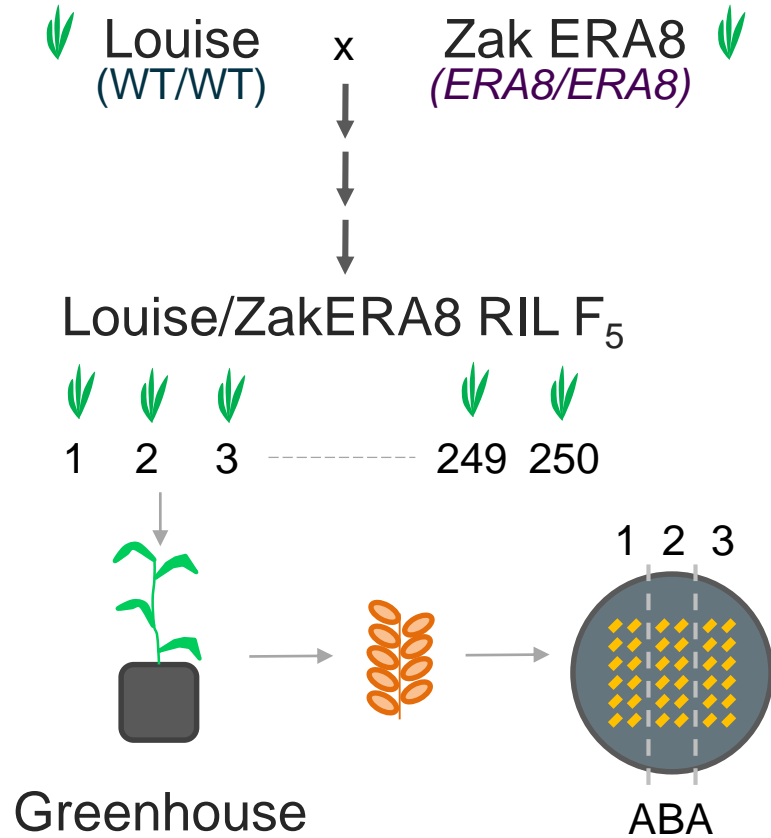


The wheat ABA hypersensitive *ERA8* mutant is associated with increased preharvest sprouting tolerance and altered hormone accumulation

Martinez et al., 2016

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RIL Population Development



Genetic cultivar differences in addition to the *ERA8* gene.

New Results

Comment on this paper

Exome sequencing of bulked segregants identified a novel *TaMKK3-A* allele linked to the wheat *ERA8* ABA-hypersensitive germination phenotype

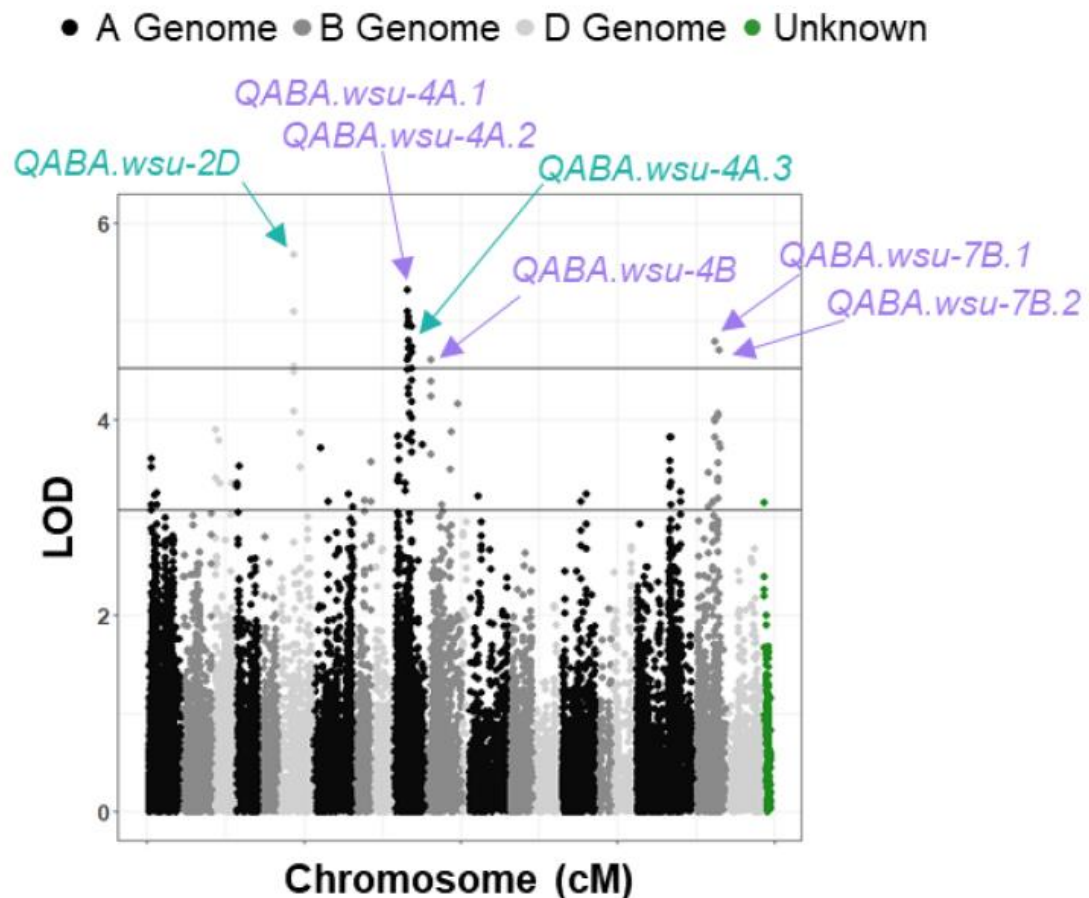
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This article is a preprint and has not been certified by peer review [what does this mean?].

Martinez et al., 2020 (accepted TAG)

QTL Mapping



Multiple ABA sensitive QTL (increased dormancy) were found throughout the genome, contributed by either Louise or *ERA8*

Agronomic Characterization



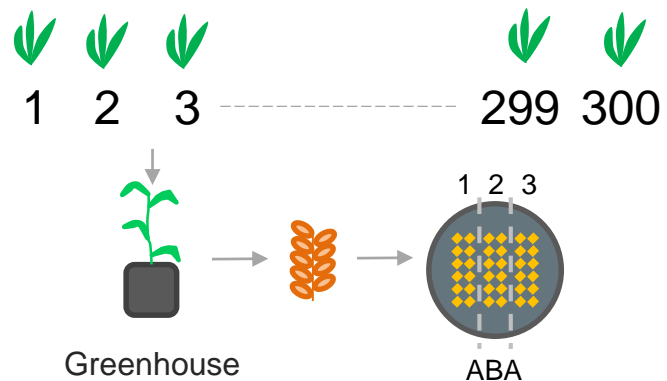
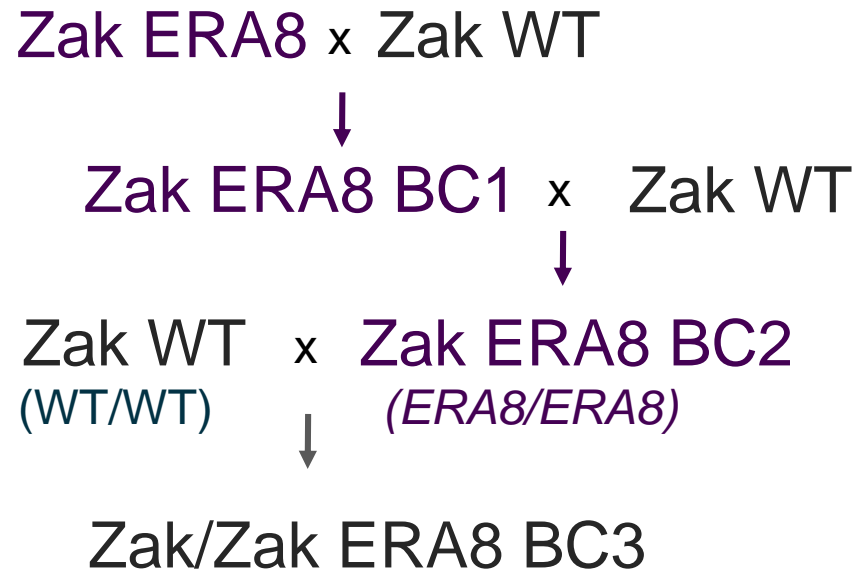
Although technically 'not significant', still concerned about a slight dip in yield

Table 3. Comparisons of agronomic and quality traits for soft white spring wheat Zak *ERA8* and wild-type Zak from field experiments conducted at Pullman, WA.

Trait	Year	Zak <i>ERA8</i>		Zak		<i>p</i> value†
		Mean	SE	Mean	SE	
Zadoks' stage	2012	46.2	0.66	45.8	0.66	0.68
Plant height, cm	2011	85.8	1.4	85.6	1.4	0.92
	2012	67.2	1.4	71.4	1.4	0.048
Yield, kg ha ⁻¹	2011	3988	263	4725	263	0.065
	2012	2952	263	3545	263	0.13
Test weight, kg m ⁻³	2011	789	6.4	770	6.4	0.048
	2012	756	6.4	753	6.4	0.75
Grain protein concentrations, %	2011	9.79	0.58	9.54	0.58	0.77
	2012	14.19	0.26	13.05	0.26	0.014
Hardness, %	2011	13.30	3.12	5.10	3.12	0.10
	2012	18.18	1.40	18.70	1.40	0.80
1000 kernel weight, g	2011	44.6	2.0	45.5	2.0	0.75
	2012	27.6	0.9	27.3	0.9	0.83

BC Population Development

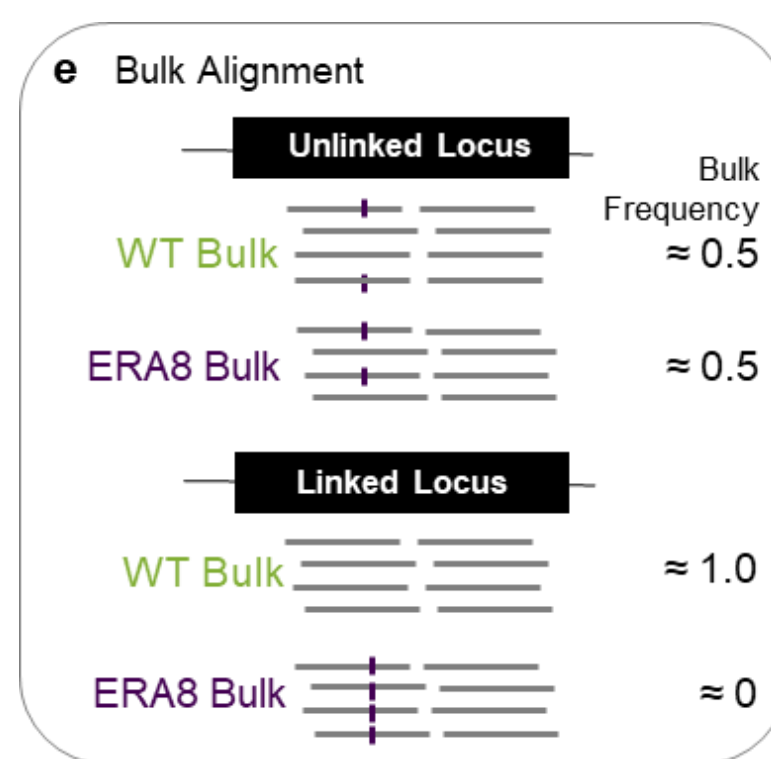
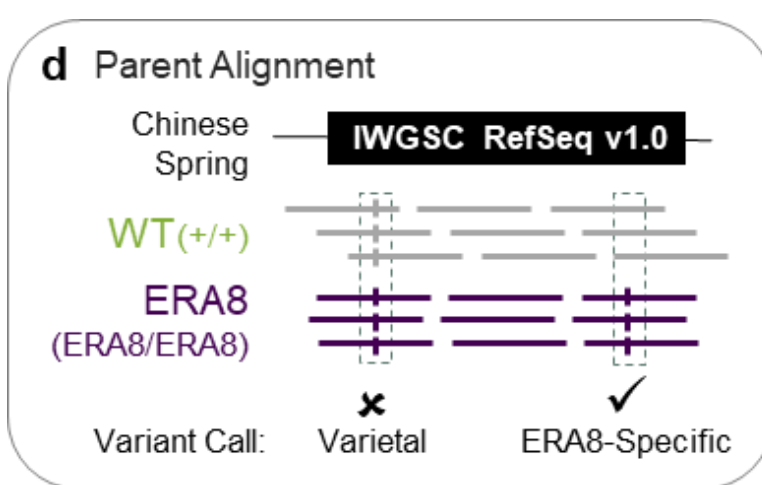
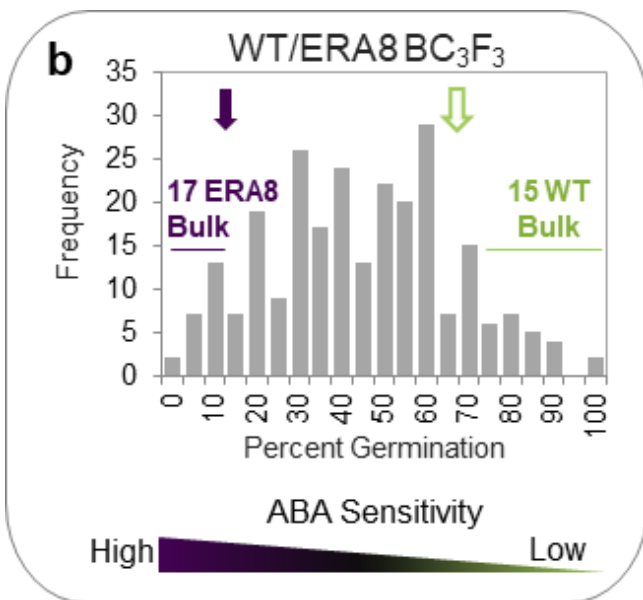
To clean up background EMS mutations not related to our trait of interest

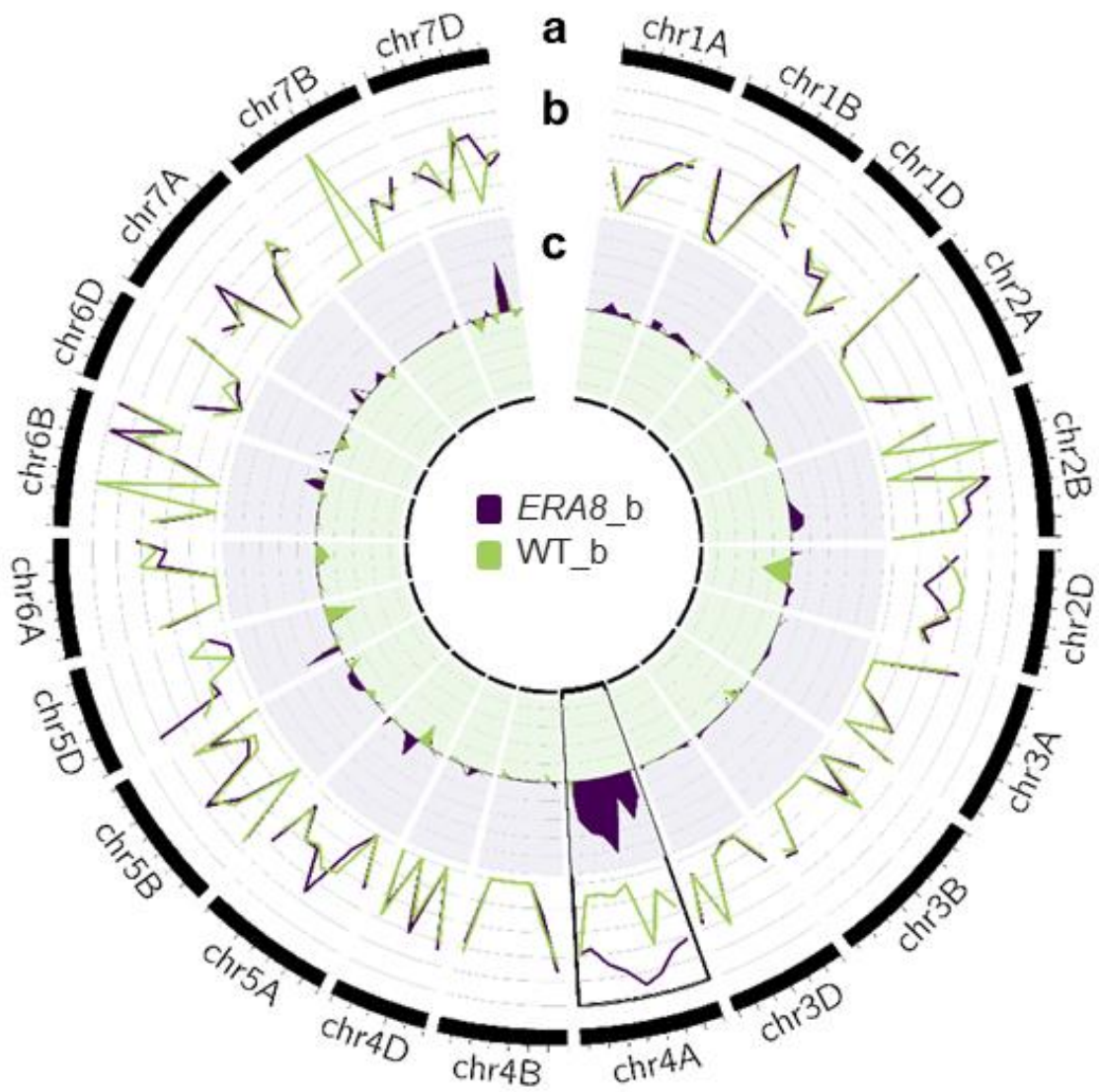


Only mutagen induced differences

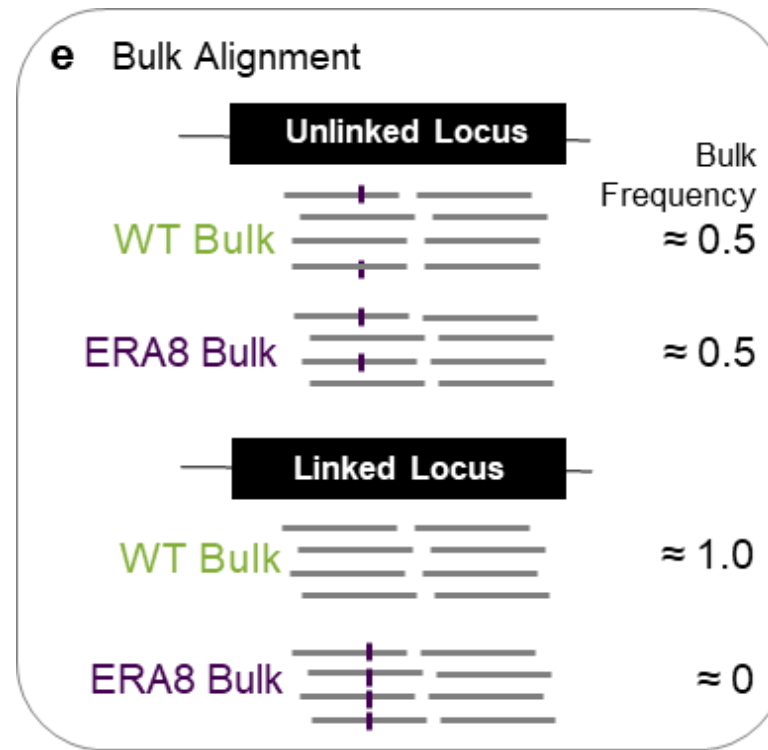
Bulked-Segregant Analysis

using exome-capture DNA sequencing





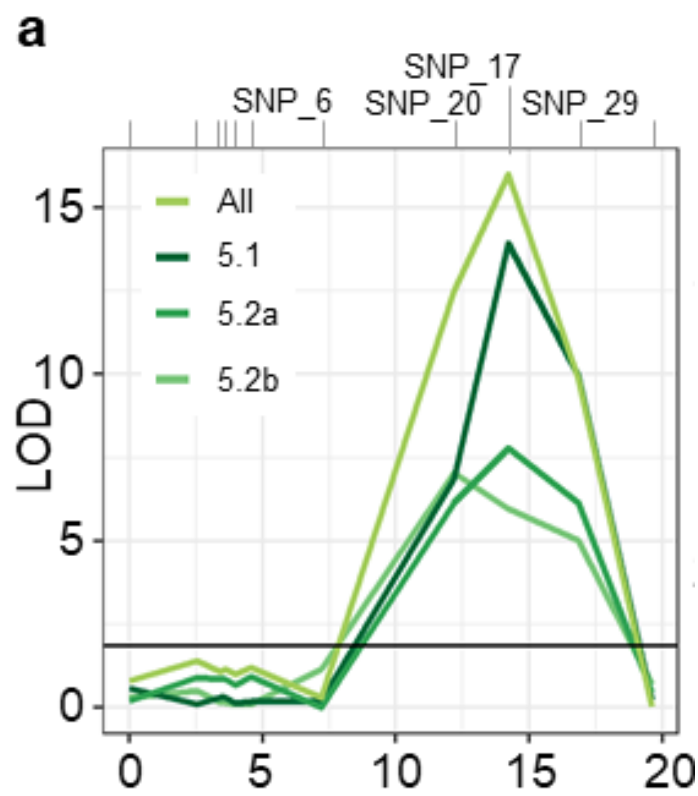
Linked locus on chromosome 4A



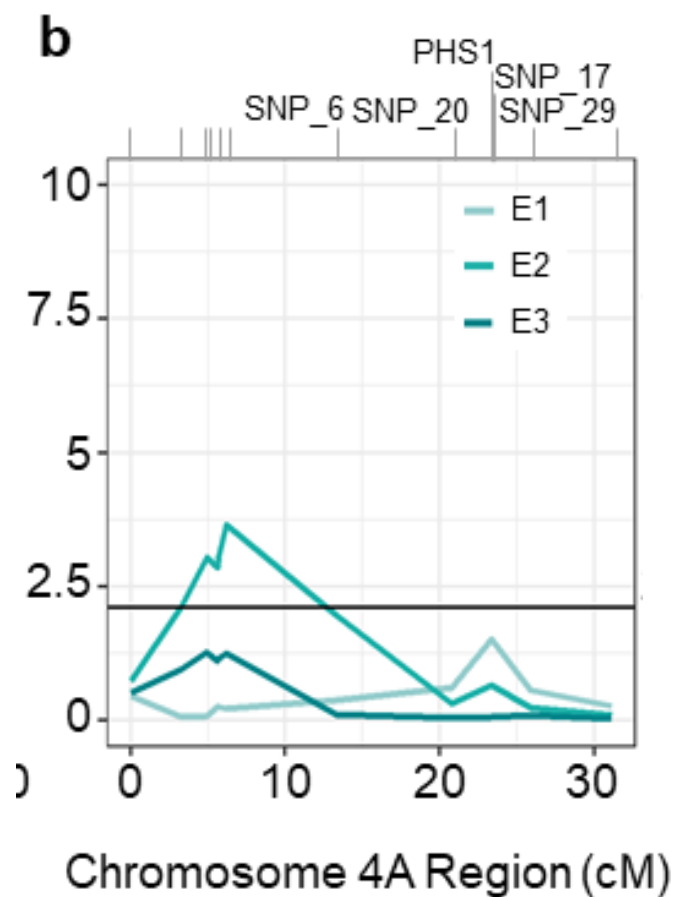
Fine Mapping in *ERA8*



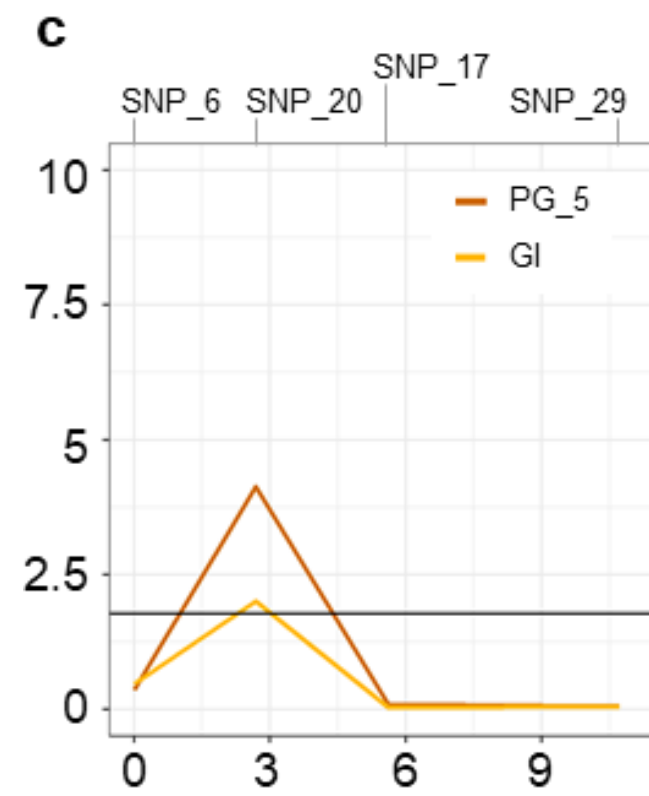
Additional
Zak/ZakERA8 BC



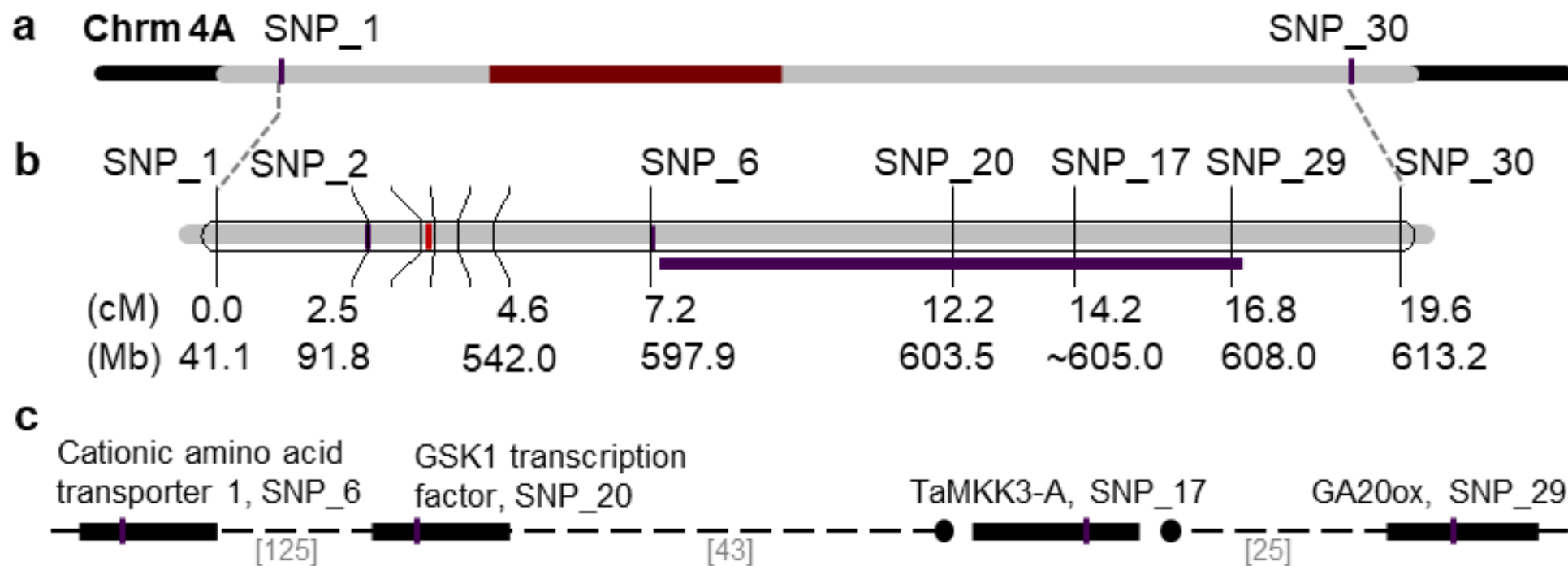
Louise/ZakERA8 RIL



Otis/ZakERA8 F2:F3



Fine Mapping in *ERA8*



Trait Introgression of *ERA8*

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GERMPLASM

Martinez et al., 2014



WSU Winter Wheat

5 crosses

female/ (BC₁ERA8/male)
(~200)

20 crosses

(BC₁ERA8/male) / male
(~200)

USDA Club Wheat

24 crosses

Jasper / BC₃ERA8 (~800)
Bruehl / BC₃ERA8 (~800)
Kaseberg / BC₃ERA8
Brevor / BC₃ERA8
X010263-3C / BC₃ERA8
ARS010719-4L / BC₃ERA8

WSU Spring Wheat

3 crosses

Otis / BC₂ERA8 (529)
Louise / ERA8
x5 (698)
x12 (286)
BC₁ERA8 / Diva

RAGT Seed, UK

In collaboration with JIC

f Genome-specific KASP primers

Allele 1	FAM-CCTCTGCTATTTGCTTTAATCTCTc
Allele 2	HEX-CCTCTGCTATTTGCTTTAATCTCTt
Common	GGACTTGGCAGCATATGTCA

Martinez et al., 2020

Fine Mapping *QPhs.cnl-2B.1*



Chrm 2B

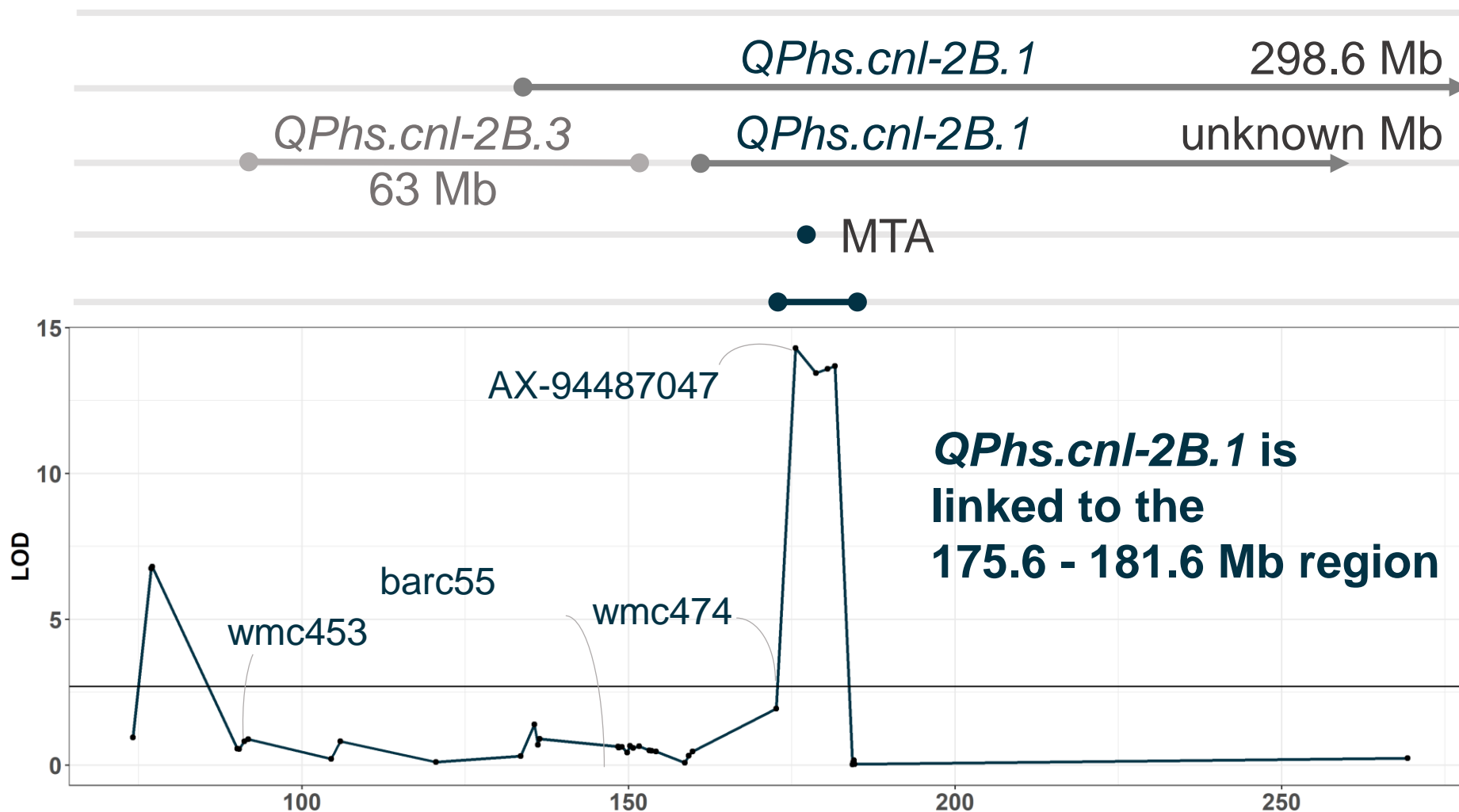
Munkvold et al. 2009

Somyong et al. 2014

GWAS

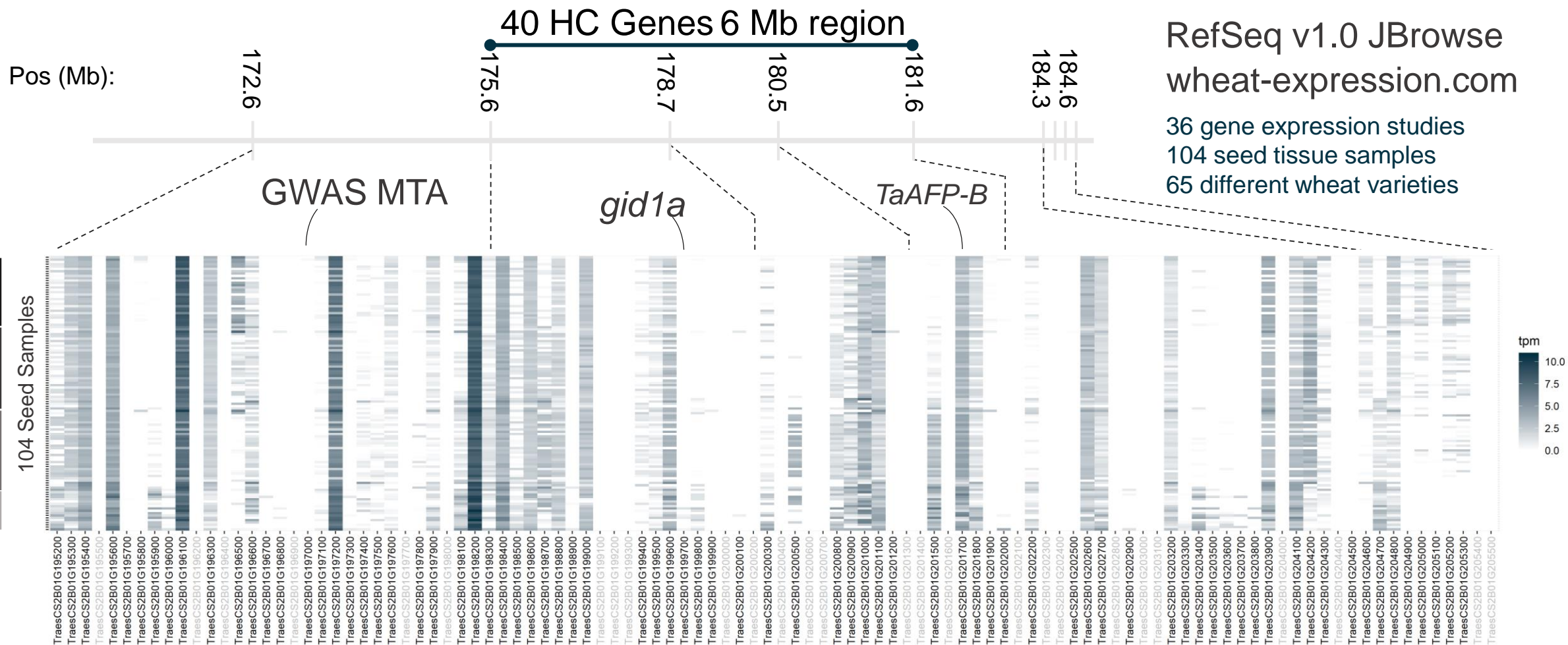
QTL Analysis

430 BC1F5:8
PHS BLUP Score;
7 environments
SSR, Axiom, KASP markers
'cim' of qtl package in R

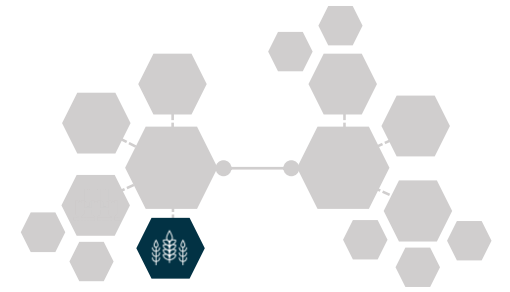


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Fine Mapping *QPhs.cnl-2B.1*



Trait Introgression *QPhs.cnl-2B.1*



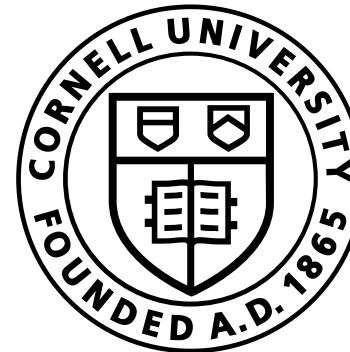
Club wheat



WA winter



NY winter



158 lines
elite nursery
past 10 years

Japanese Germplasm



'Tamaizumi'



Can we integrate genomic prediction
in the breeding program to make more
accurate decisions?

Genomic Prediction

Observations/Phenotype

$$\mathbf{u} \sim N(0, \mathbf{K}\sigma_g^2)$$

\mathbf{u} is the vector of breeding values with estimated relationship matrix \mathbf{K}

Models can calculate \mathbf{K} differently:

Ridge Regression
Gaussian Kernel

$$y_{\text{obs}} \sim \text{Loc} + \text{Yr} + \text{HarvDate}$$

fixed effects

random effects

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{WZ}\mathbf{u} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

\mathbf{u} : GEBV

$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$: experimental error

design matrix

design matrix

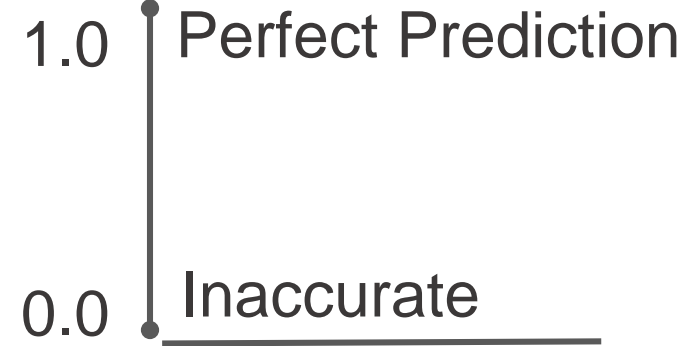
$$+ (1|\text{variety})$$



Genomic Prediction

Prediction Accuracy (PA)

$$\text{cor} (y_{\text{obs}} , \text{GEBVs}_{\text{model}})$$
$$\text{cor} (y_{\text{obs_test}} , \text{GEBVs}_{\text{test}})$$

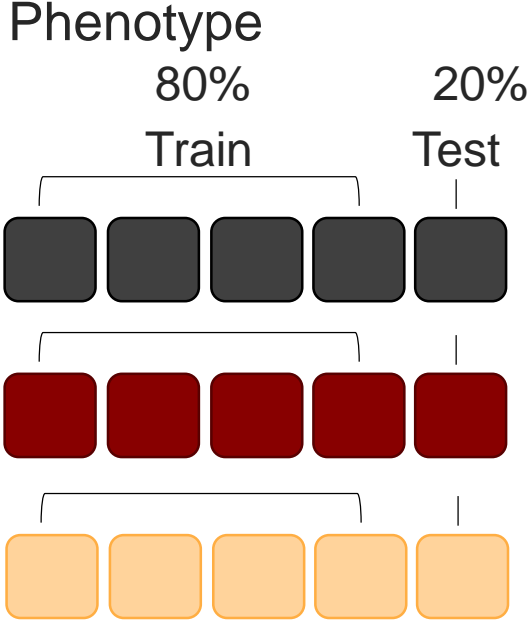


Prediction Model

- Gaussian kernel
- Ridge regression

Output:
GEBVs_{train+test}

Five-fold CV



Environment	total n
All Env	1287
Both	369
White	904

Genomic Prediction

Prediction Accuracy (PA)

Prediction Model

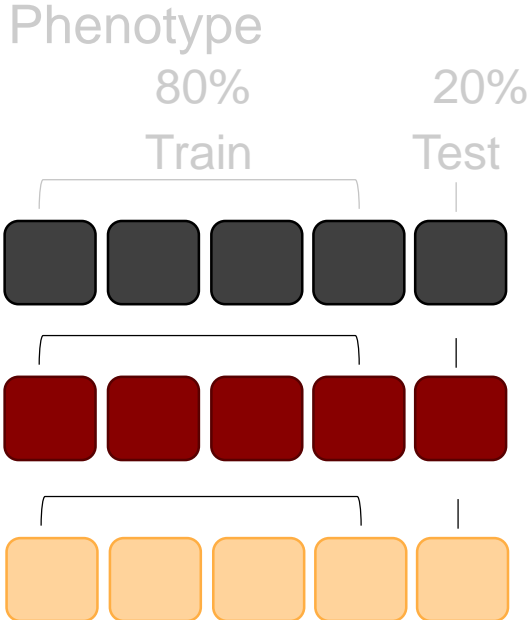
$cor(y_{obs}, GEBVs_{model})$

$cor(y_{obs_test}, GEBVs_{test})$



- Gaussian kernel
- Ridge regression

Output:
GEBVs_{train+test}

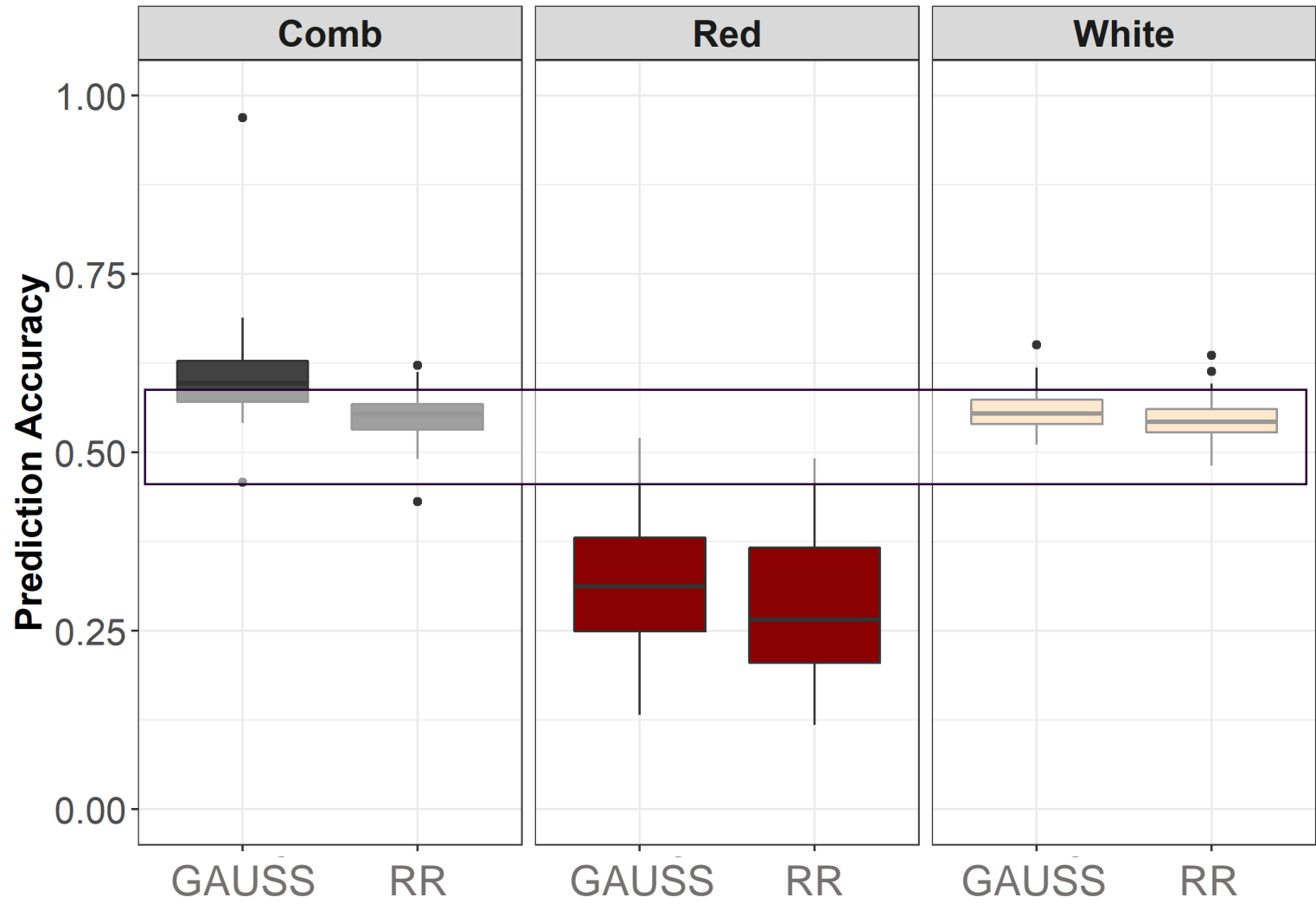


Both $y_{obs_both} \sim Loc + Yr + HarvDate + KColor + (1|variety)$

Red $y_{obs} \sim Loc + Yr + HarvDate + (1|variety)$

White $y_{obs} \sim Loc + Yr + HarvDate + (1|variety)$

A comparison of Ridge Regression and Gaussian kernel models across seed coat colors



Previous PHS GP studies **KC**

Heffner et al. 2011 White

PA 0.52 – 0.53

Heslot et al. 2013 White

PA 0.47 – 0.57

Moore et al. 2017 White

PA 0.49 – 0.59 **& Red**

GAUSS: Gaussian kernel model

RR: Ridge Regression model

What does an accuracy of 0.6 even mean?

Accuracy of an phenotypic estimate (without genetic data)

$$PA = \text{cor}(\text{Obs_EnvA}, \text{Obs_EnvB})$$

`cor(Obs2008, Obs2009)`

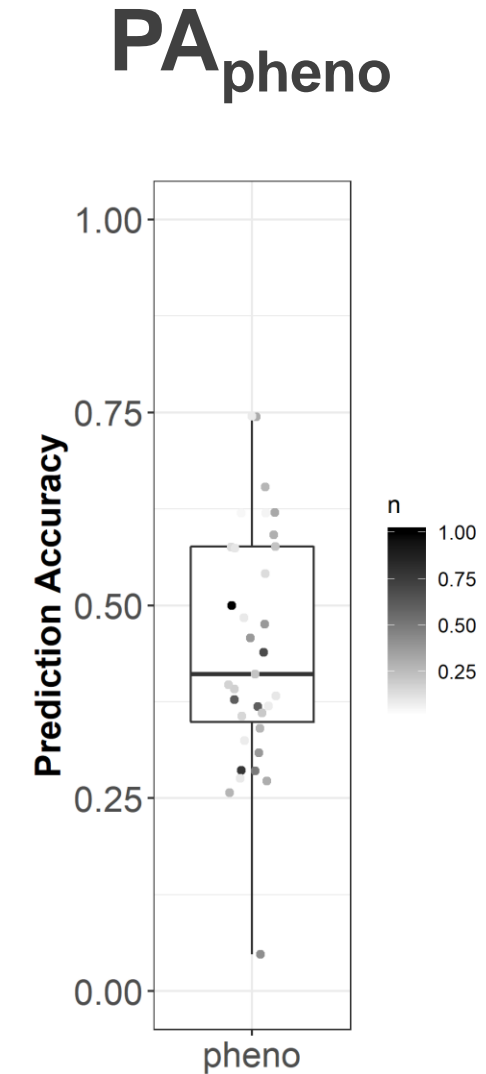
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`cor(Obs2015, Obs2017)`

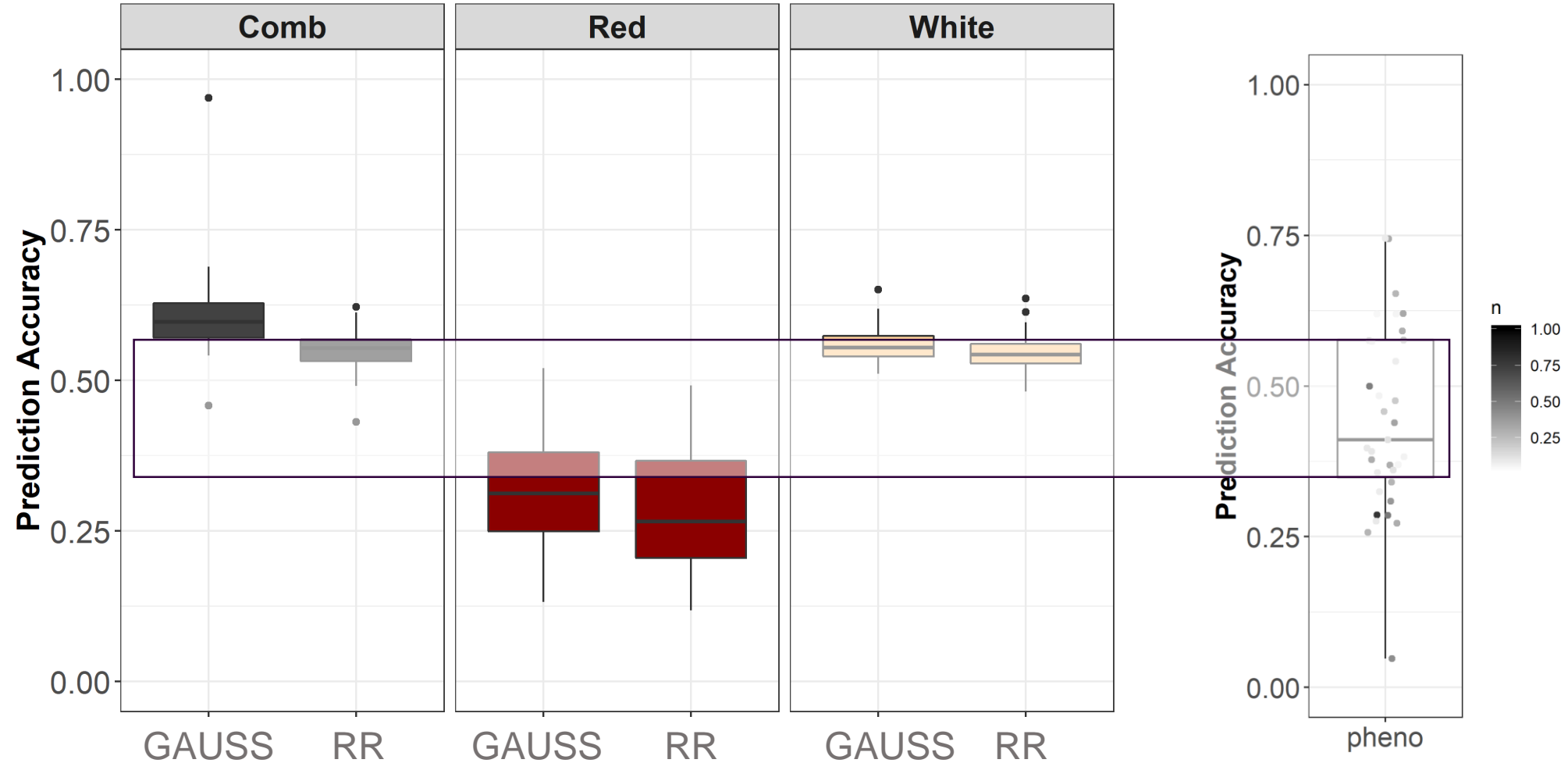
Average PA
0.45



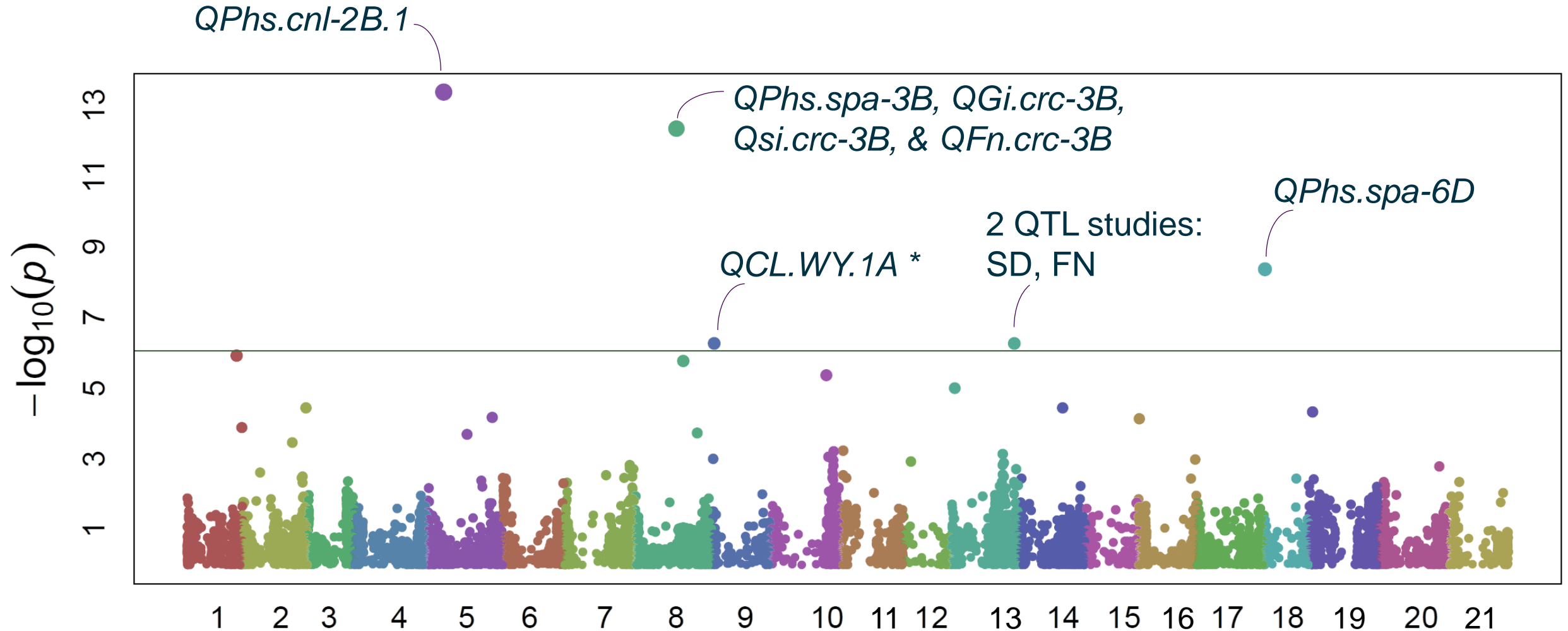
The correlation (PA) from one environment to another environment is comparable, to genomic prediction accuracies.

PA_{pred}

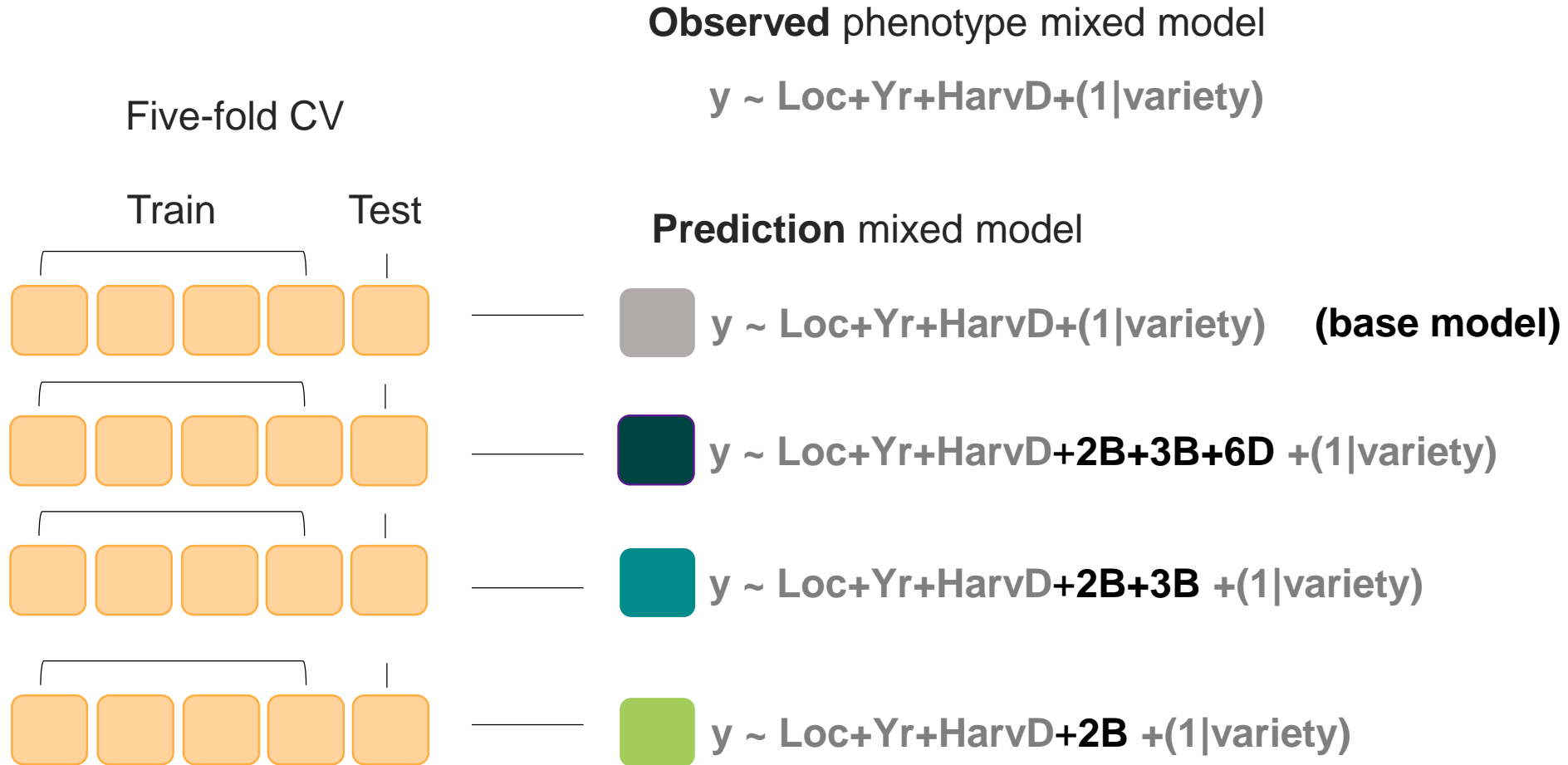
PA_{pheno}



White kernel GWAS found multiple significant loci

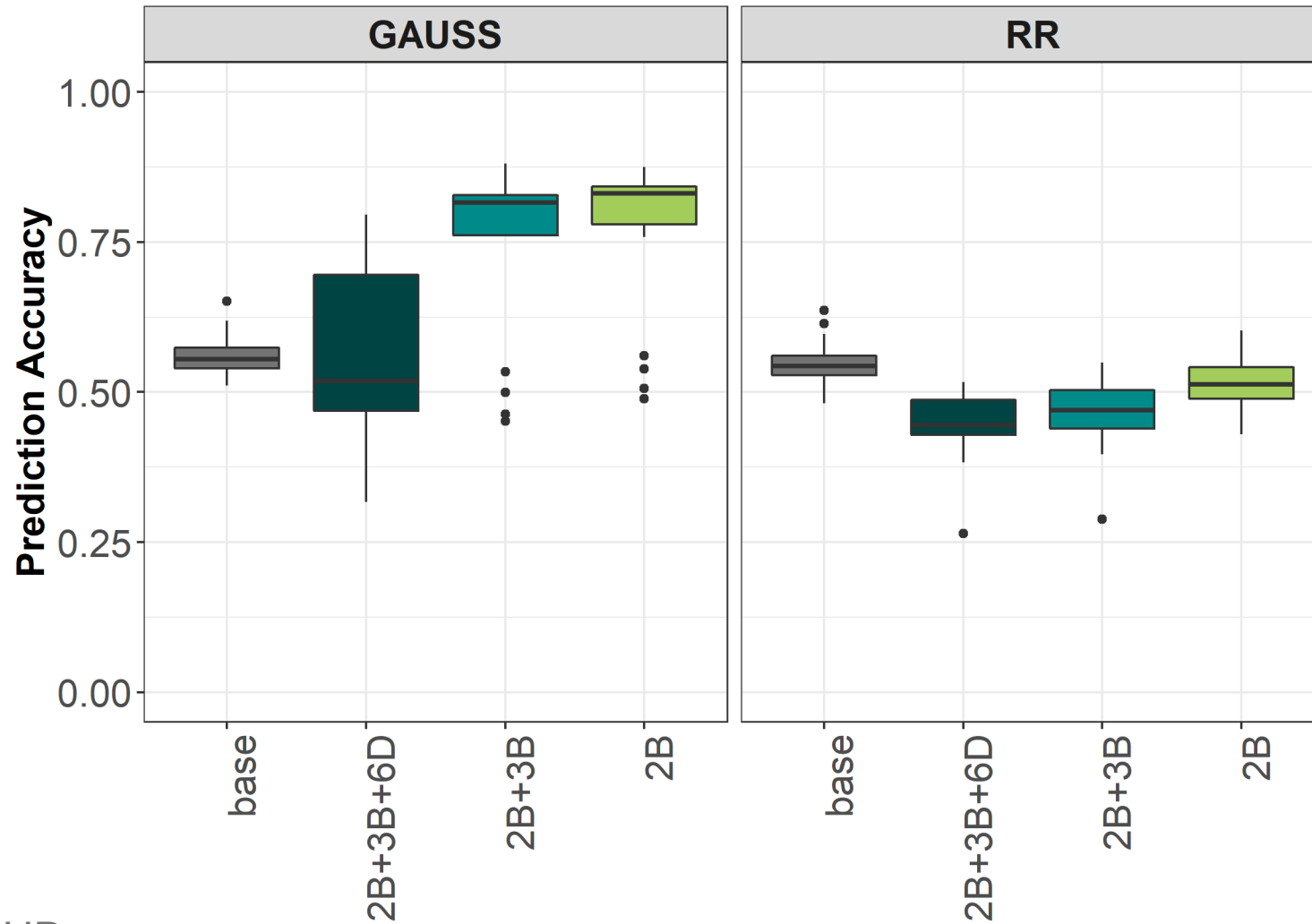


Will associated QTL improve prediction?



$$\text{PA} = \text{cor} (y_{\text{obs_test}} , \text{GEBVs}_{\text{test}})$$

Adding significant QTL as fixed effects seems to improve accuracy for Gaussian kernel model



GAUSS additive + non-additive
RR only additive

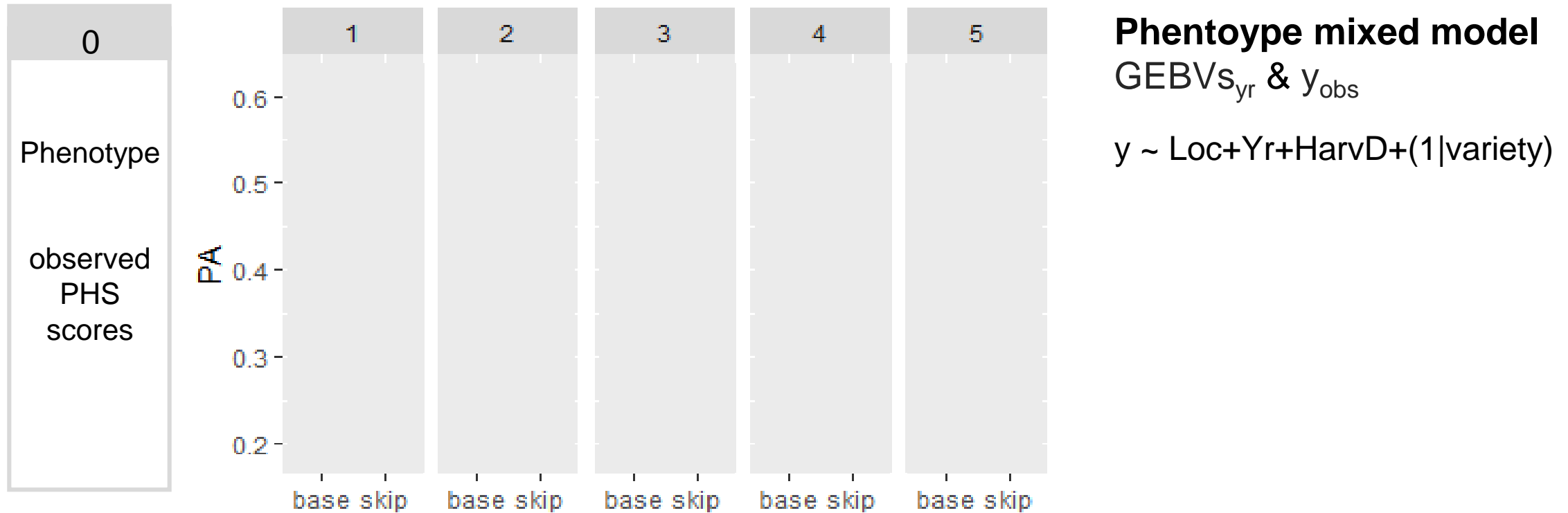
GAUSS vs RR

The real question is, what do you want to use it for?

- Want additive RR for selection
- Want +non-add for prediction

Need to investigate if adding significant QTL markers as a fixed effect is overfitting the model?

How many years between phenotyping can a breeding program skip without losing substantial PA?



Prediction Accuracy

base: if phenotype every year, and predict the following year

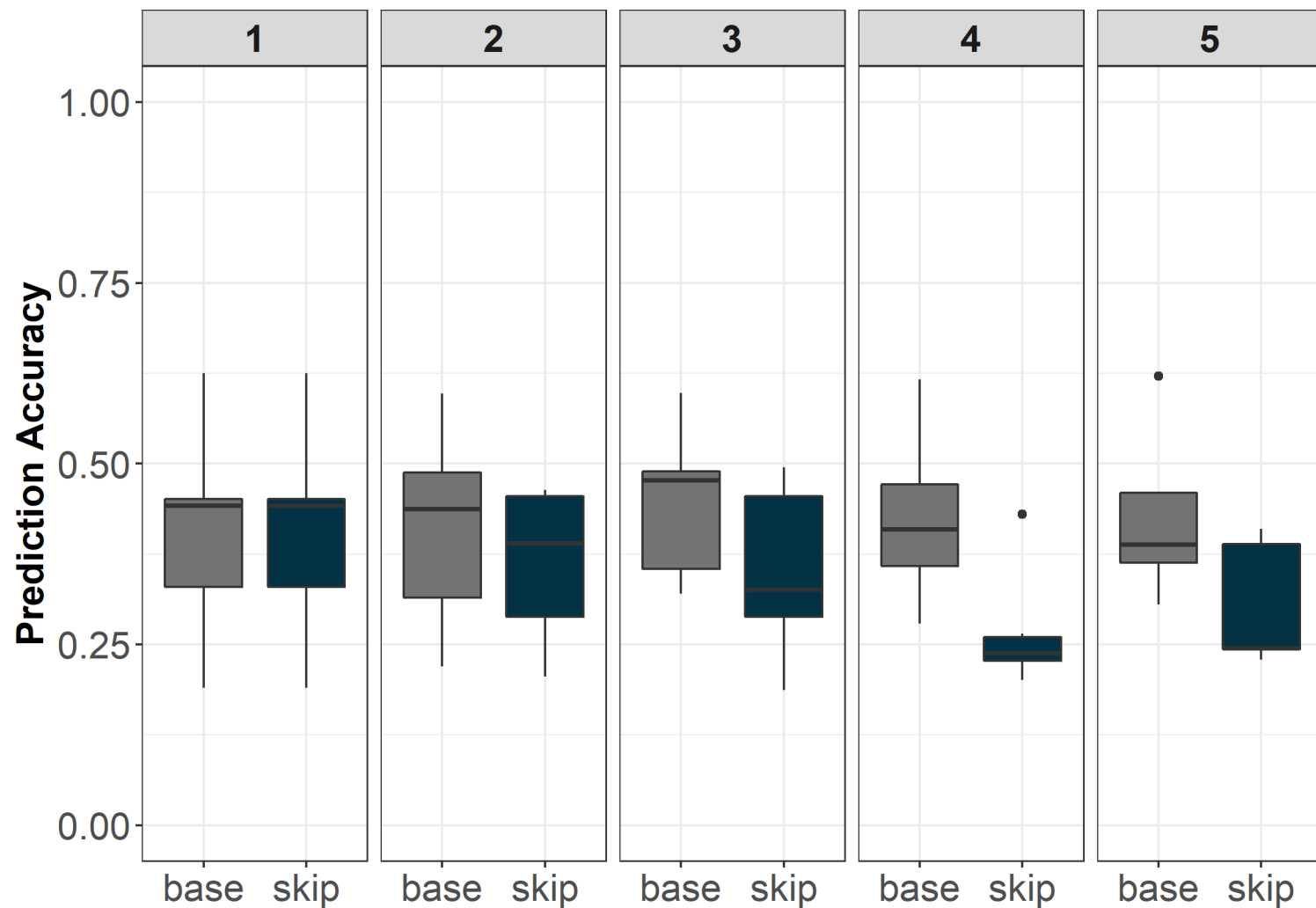
$$PA = \text{cor}(y_{obs_yr0+\dots+yr(N-1)}, GEBVs_{yrN})$$

skip: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 years between phenotyping

$$PA = \text{cor}(y_{obs_yr0}, GEBVs_{yrN})$$

Ridge Regression
White KC only

How many years between phenotyping can a breeding program skip without losing substantial PA?



It may be possible to phenotype for PHS tolerance every couple of years, without effecting accuracy

Something to consider:

- Increased genetic diversity year to year will reduce ability to accurately calculated GEBVs
- Year to year GEBV calculations tend to have lower PA than GEBV calculated from hundreds of individuals over multiple environments

Ridge Regression
White KC only



Why use genomic prediction for this trait?

Phenotyping occurs at the end of the growth cycle

No “mid-cycle” selections before harvest

These phenotypic hurdles are not exclusive to PHS screening



Very labor intensive

Precise sampling



Disease Screening

Traits dependent on inoculation, severity, etc can benefit from genotypic predictions of the phenotype



FHB (2 field seasons)



Stripe Rust (7 field seasons)

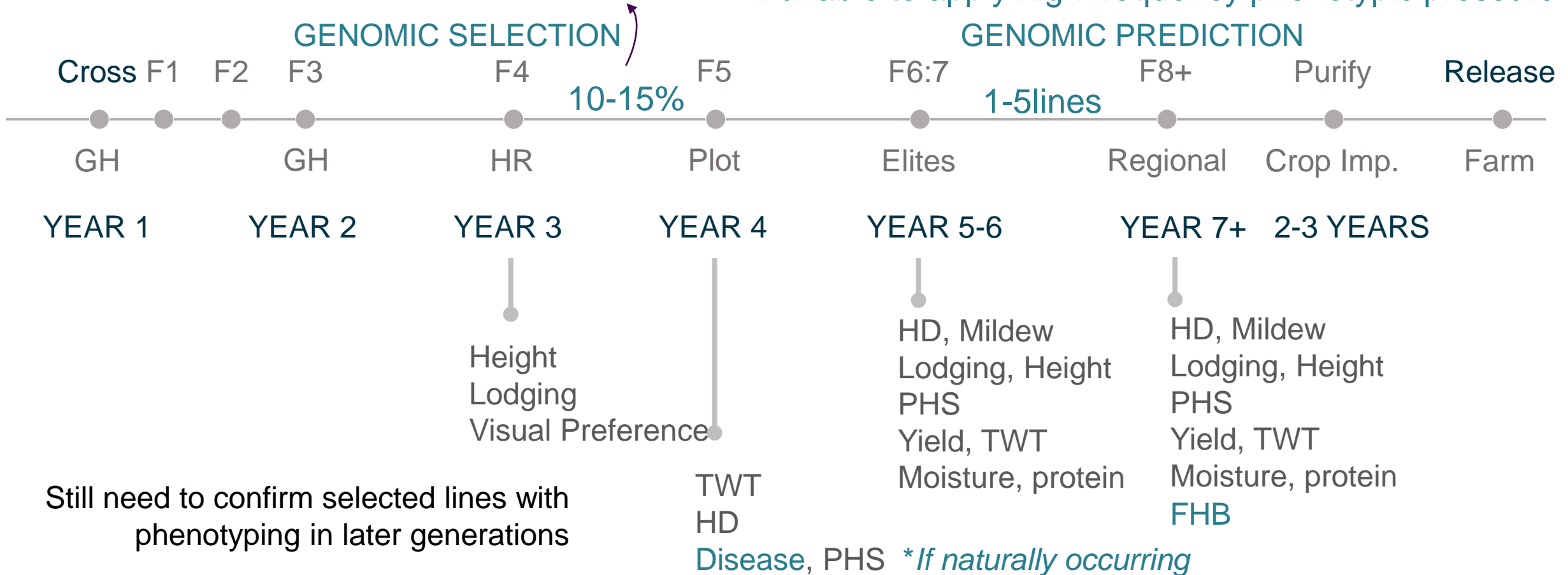


Breeding with Genomic Prediction

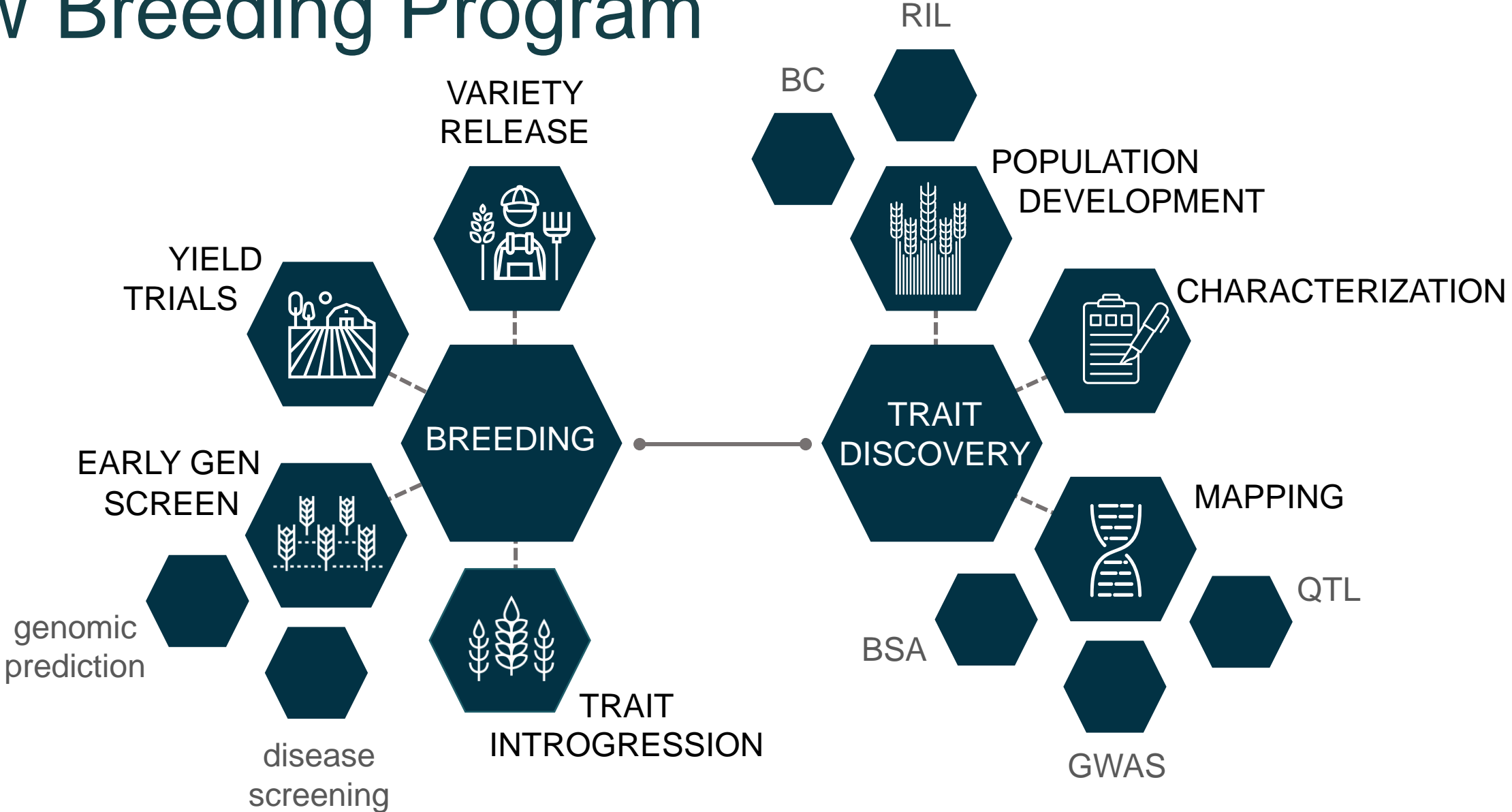


GEBVs can help guide selection; less likely to throw out PHS Tolerant lines when applying selection pressure

Assist in predicting PHS tolerance for variety selection, if unable to apply high frequency phenotypic pressure



HRW Breeding Program



As your next generation plant breeder:

I aim to fuse wheat breeding with predictive analytics



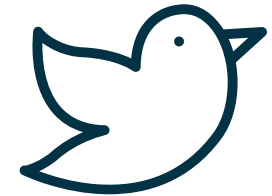
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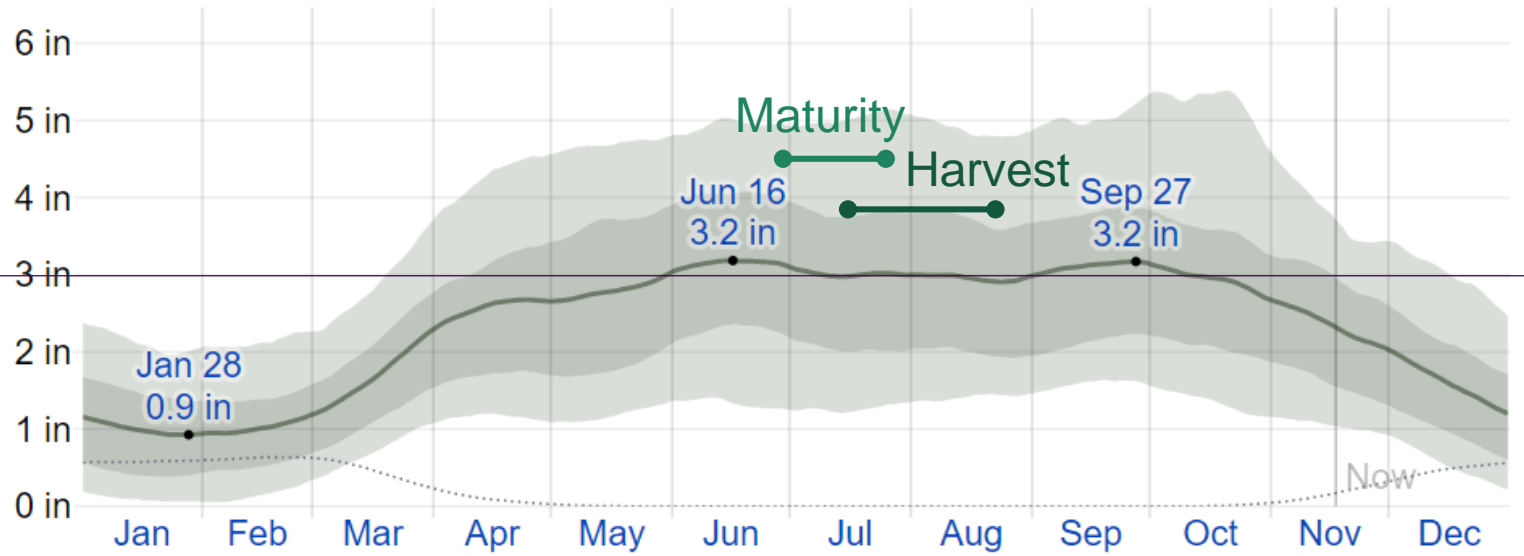
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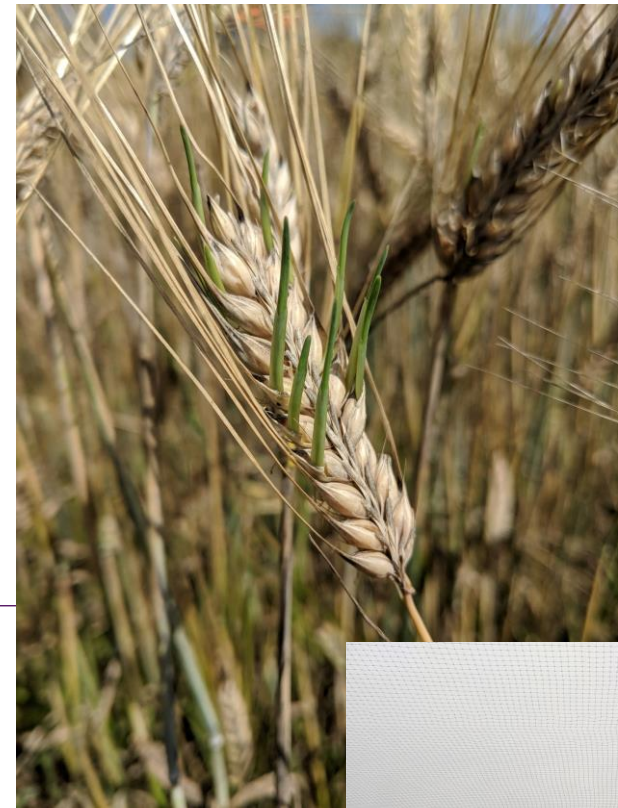
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How can my PHS skills be used?

Average Monthly Rainfall

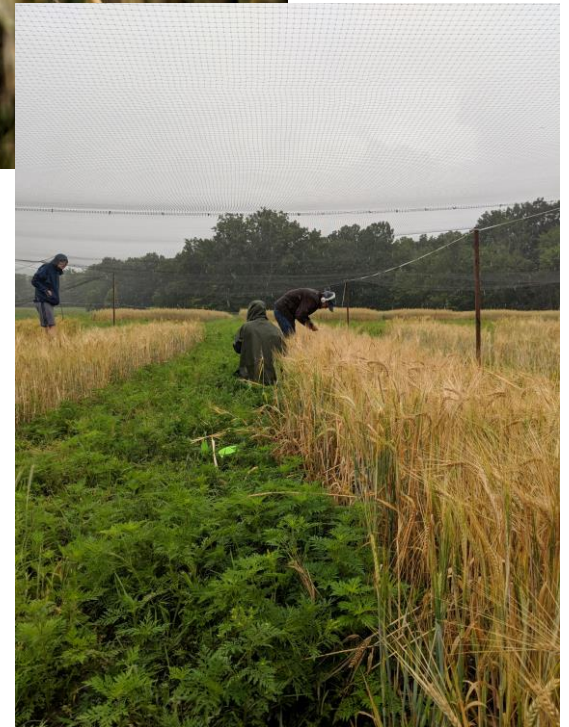


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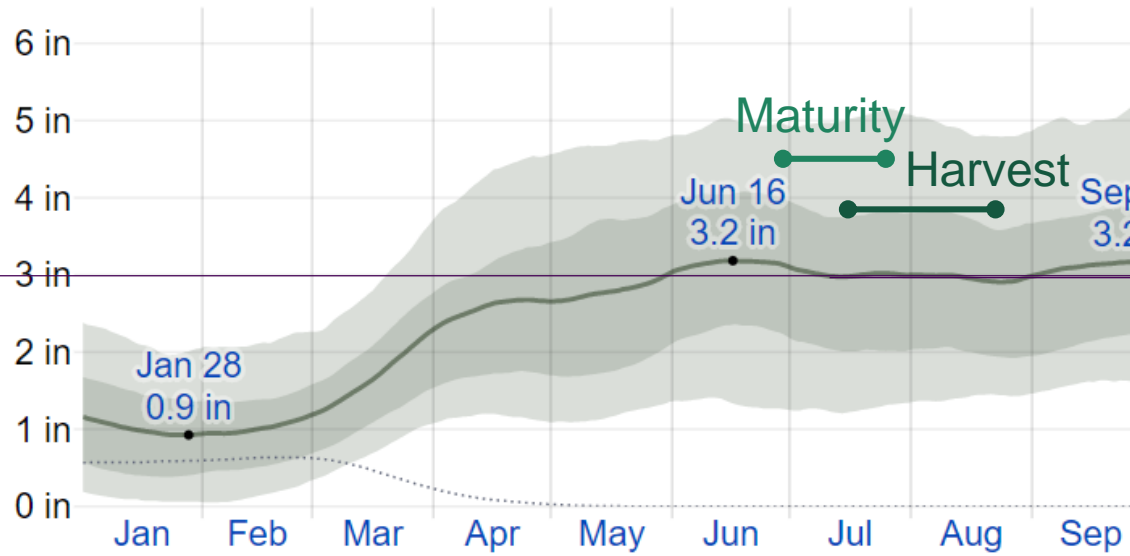
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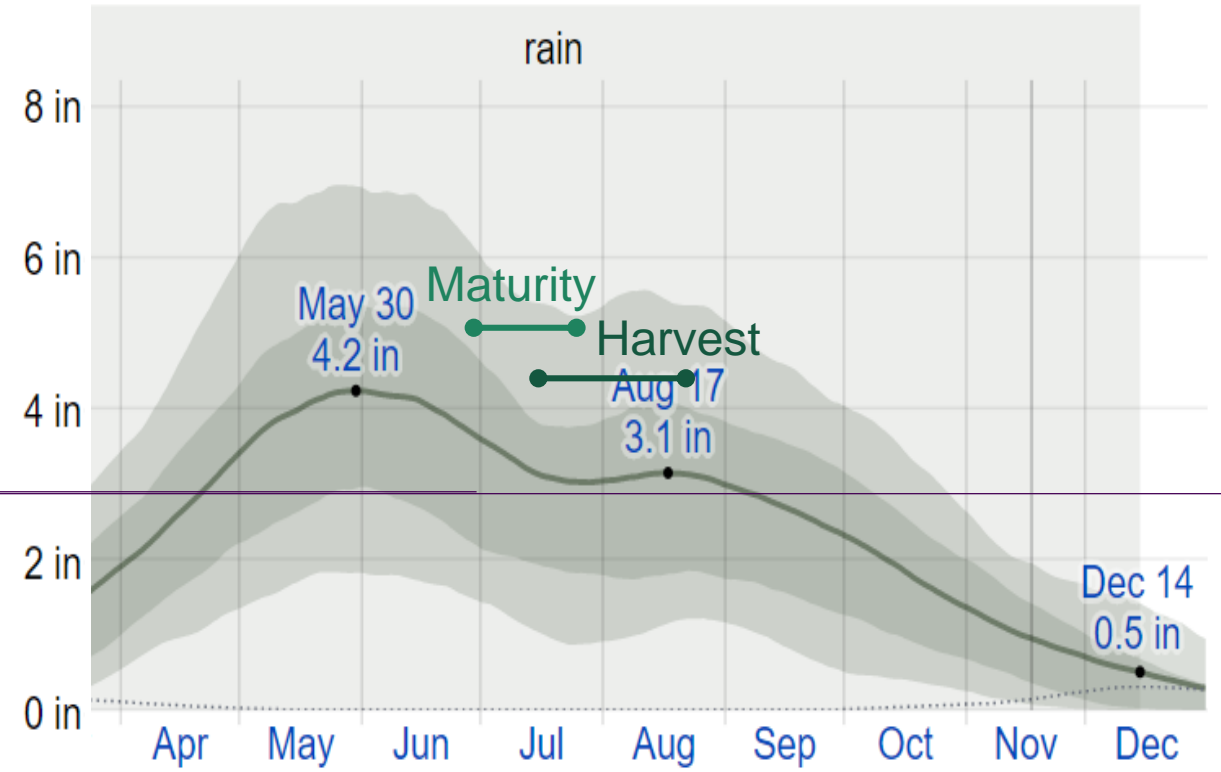
My experience can be useful if a program starts growing malting barley in NE

Average Monthly Rainfall



Ithaca, NY

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Lincoln, NE

Mixed Model

Observations/Phenotype

$$y = \mu + X\beta_{loc} + X\beta_{yr} + X\beta_{harv} + Zg + \epsilon$$

population mean

loc: location

yr: year

design matrix

harv: sampling date

design matrix

e: experimental error

g: BLUP y_{obs}

fixed effects

random effects

$$y_{obs} \sim \text{Loc} + \text{Yr} + \text{HarvDate} + (1|\text{variety})$$