

The Application of Quantification Genomics in the Development of Autogamous Plants with Chloroplast DNA Variability in Wild Brassicas and their Biology Research

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Abstract

In order to select inbred lines more effectively in light of the rising demand for food, it is necessary to employ techniques and alternatives. Particularly when the pedigree technique is applied to autogamous plants, quantitative genetics play a significant role in this regard. This study suggests using the best linear unbiased predictor (BLUP) in conjunction with relationship information between progenies to provide breeding values that are more accurate and, as a outcome boost genetic benefits via selection. A proposal is put forth to speed up the process of obtaining perennial plant inbreds and use as much data as possible during selection to ensure optimal accuracy. Inbreds that are superior to the ones already available might be made accessible more frequently in this way, helping the agricultural sector meet the demand for perennial plants.

In order to characterise the cytoplasm and conduct population genetics and phylogeographic analysis, it is crucial to assess the diversity of the chloroplast DNA (cpDNA) in wild relatives of crop brassicas. The former is helpful for breeding programmes that involve extensive hybridization and the synthesis of alloplasmic lines, whereas the latter is crucial for developing conservation methods. Consequently, the PCR-RFLP (Polymerase Chain Reaction-Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism) technique was used to examine the cpDNA diversity in 14 wild brassicas, including 31 accessions, and the outcomes showed the presence of 219 polymorphic fragments in total. The combination of polymorphisms obtained by using only two primer pair-restriction enzyme combinations was sufficient to distinguish all 14 wild brassicas. Moreover, 11 primer pairs-restriction enzyme combinations revealed intraspecific polymorphisms in eight wild brassicas (including endemic and endangered species, *B. cretica* and *B. insularis*, resp.). Thus, even within a small number of accessions that were screened, intraspecific polymorphisms were observed, which is important for population genetics analyses in wild brassicas and consequently for conservation studies.

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Introduction

Autogamous plants are those in which self-fertilization predominates; in other words, where the cross-fertilization rate is under 5%. These plants are bred using methods specific to their form of reproduction. Information at hand shows that this variety of plant has been successfully bred in various parts of the world.

The bulk technique and pedigree method, the two most common approaches for dealing with the segregating offspring of autogamous plants, were put forth in Europe around the tail end of the 19th and the start of the 20th centuries. The shortcomings of the first two selection techniques were then addressed by the proposal of new techniques. Among them, the single seed descendent (SSD) and the bulk approach within progenies F2 or F3 have both been heavily utilised [1]. These approaches have been compared over time, and while discrepancies between them have occasionally been found, it has been found that all of them are effective when used properly.

It can be concluded that, despite the fact that it has occasionally happened, breeders of autogamous plants have used quantitative genetics far less frequently than they have for allogamous plants. The need for food is anticipated to increase significantly over the next few decades, along with population expansion. The major way to meet the demand for grains, fruit, and fibres is by raising yields because uncultivated land is no longer as readily available [2].

By making improvements to crop management, you have a choice of ways to raise production. This is the setting for the increased use of irrigation water, herbicides, and fertilisers. However, there are some

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diversity of the chloroplast genome in wild brassicas because maternal inheritance of the mitochondrial and chloroplast genomes has been shown in Brassica species. This is crucial for breeding programmes since brassicas' cytoplasm/maternal lineage can affect the direction of crosses and the degree of success in extensive hybridization [4]. Additionally, examination of the differences in chloroplast DNA (cpDNA) can show genetic relationships between and within wild and domesticated species. Research on cpDNA diversity is crucial for assessments of population genetics and phylogeography in rare, endemic, and endangered species. Considering that many of the wild relatives (such as *Brassica insularis* and *B. cretica*) are endemic and/or threatened species, population genetics studies of these species are crucial for developing conservation strategies. In order to conduct such genetic and conservation research, it is necessary to first analyse the wild brassicas' chloroplast genome for interspecific and intraspecific polymorphisms [5].

PCR-RFLP (Polymerase Chain Reaction-Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism) is an easy, quick, and repeatable method that amplifies portions of the chloroplast genome using universal primers, then employs restriction enzyme digestion to identify fragment length polymorphisms. Very few studies have examined the chloroplast genome of brassicas using PCR-RFLP of cpDNA to distinguish between three diploid varieties. Cultivated radish's maternal lineage was easier to grasp thanks to the application of the PCR-RFLP technology to identify interspecific polymorphisms in *Raphanus* sp. Brassicas have been subjected to phylogenetic and genetic diversity investigations using simple sequence repeat markers of cpDNA, short noncoding portions

of the four dNTPs, 2 mM MgCl₂, 1 U of Taq DNA Polymerase in 1x

