



THE CHANGING FACE OF BEAN BREEDING; PAST AND FUTURE



2013 Frazier- Zaumeyer Lecture
Jim Kelly, Michigan State University

CHANGES IN BEAN PLANT ARCHITECTURE

- In Willamette Valley, Oregon - **Tex Frazier** – Developed first bush blue lake garden bean variety in 1960's
- Architecture change – revolutionized garden bean industry – Pole bean to bush bean – facilitate widespread production and mechanized harvest
- Acreage in Oregon
- 14-17,000 acres
- Farm-gate value \$20m



Chronology of Blue Lake Varieties

- 1950
POLE X POLE CROSSES - **W.A. (Tex) Frazier**
BUSH X POLE CROSSES
BACKCROSSES TO POLE BEANS
- 1965
OSU 941 • OSU 2065
- 1970
OREGON 58
- 1972
OREGON 1604 • OREGON 190
- 1980
OREGON 91G • ORE. 83 • ORE. 17 – **Jim Baggett**
- 1981
OREGON 43 • ORE. 55
- 1983
OREGON TRAIL (Home Garden)
- 1990
CASCADE GIANT POLE (Home Garden)
- 1992
OREGON 54
- 2005
OSU 5630 --- **Jim Myers**



SOURCE: OREGON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Plant Architectural Types

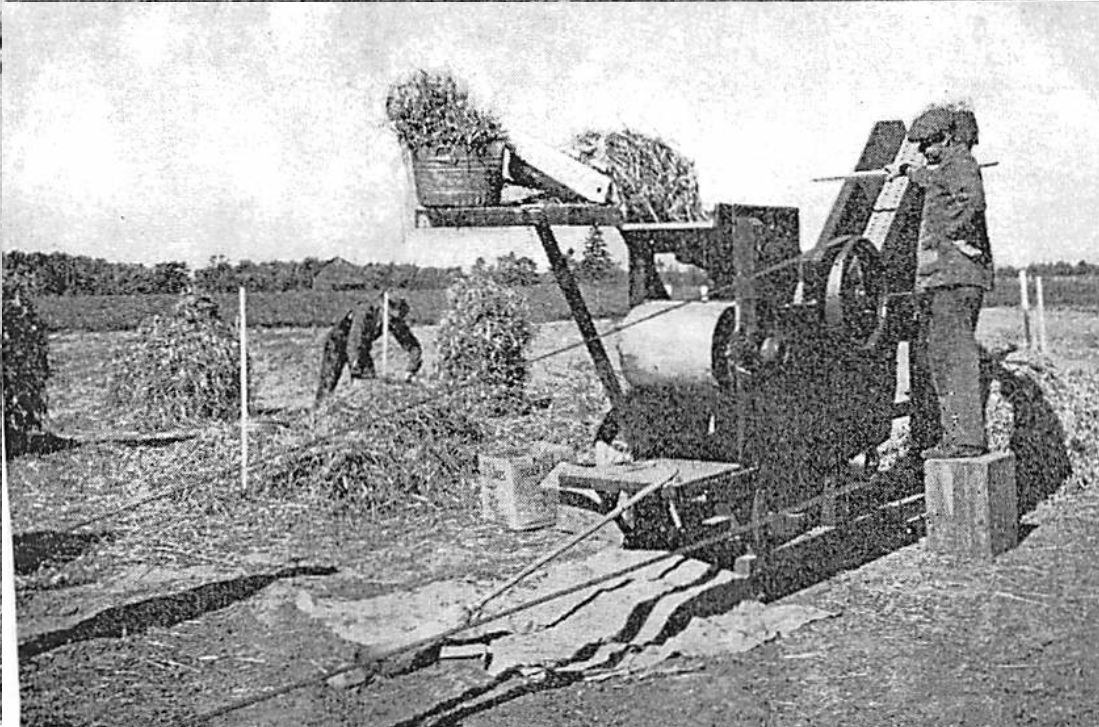
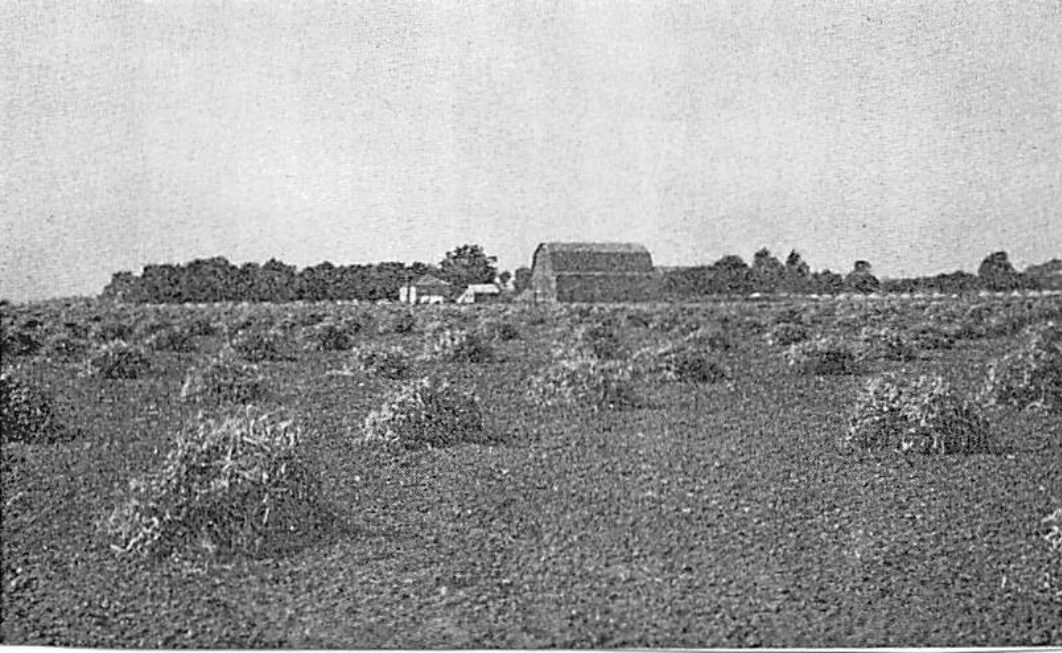


**Type I,
bush**

**Type II,
upright**

**Type III,
vine**

**Type IV,
climber**





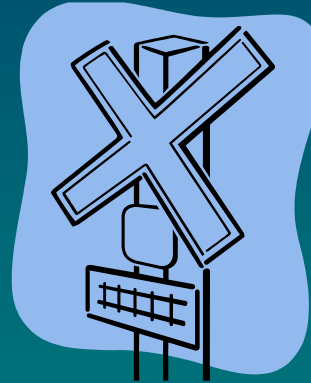
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FIGURE 15.—Pulling and windrowing Sanilac beans in Michigan with a harrow and an attached windrower.



CHANGES IN BEAN PLANT ARCHITECTURE

- In Michigan – traditional varieties prostrate vine type Ill navy beans, Robust.... Michelite
- Dr. Downs pioneering scientist / breeder
- Release of Sanilac bush navy bean in 1957 – X-ray mutation breeding
- Why not use convention breeding?
- In 1926 cross of Robust navy x Wells Red Kidney noted as inferior
- Genetic incompatibility between gene pools, DL factors

CLASSICAL BUSH KIDNEY



**TRADITIONAL
VINE TYPE**

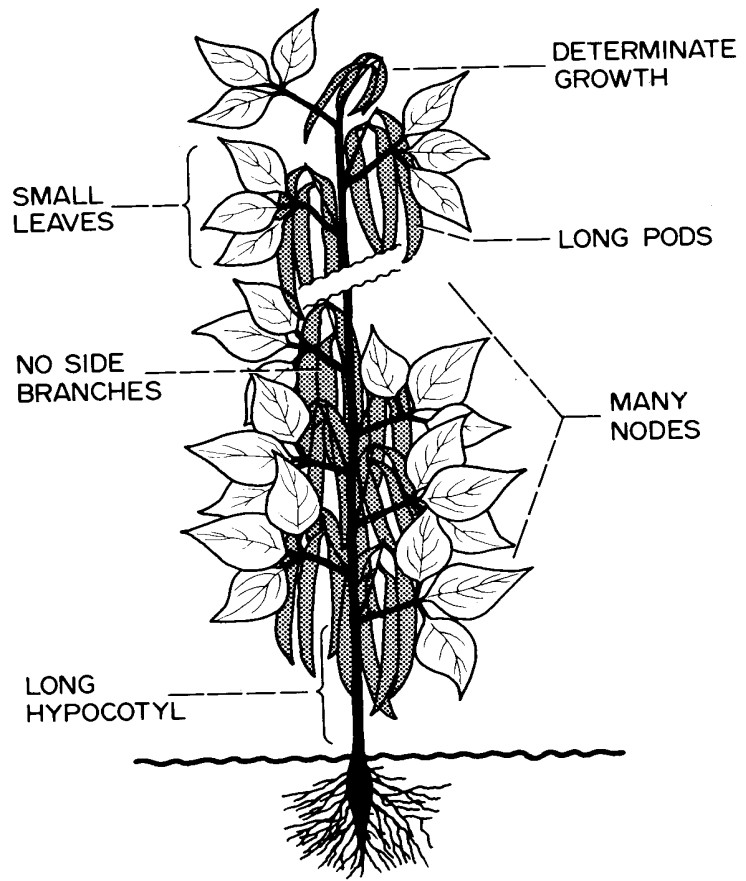
White Gold of Saginaw Valley – Sanilac Navy Bean Seafarer



CHANGES IN MICHIGAN AGRICULTURE

- In 1970's yields in Michigan declined
- Less alfalfa, soil compaction, air pollination
- Competition from new production areas
- Lack of diversity limiting breeding progress
- Dr. Adams proposed new Bean Ideotype
- Search initiated to diversify germplasm
- Led by Dr. Adams – Rockefeller support
- Spawned the Bean / Cowpea CRSP
- Adams, Wallace, Barnes-McConnell

Bean Ideotype



HEIGHT
MATURITY
STEM
STRENGTH
LODGING
RESISTANCE

Source; Adams 1982

Plant Architectural Classification

Genetics	Type	Type Refined	Description
<i>Determinate</i>	I	Ia	Erect Bush
		Ib	
<i>Indeterminate</i>	II	IIa	Upright short vine
		IIb	Upright vine
	III	IIIa	Prostrate Vine
		IIIb	
	IV	IVa	Climbing
		IVb	

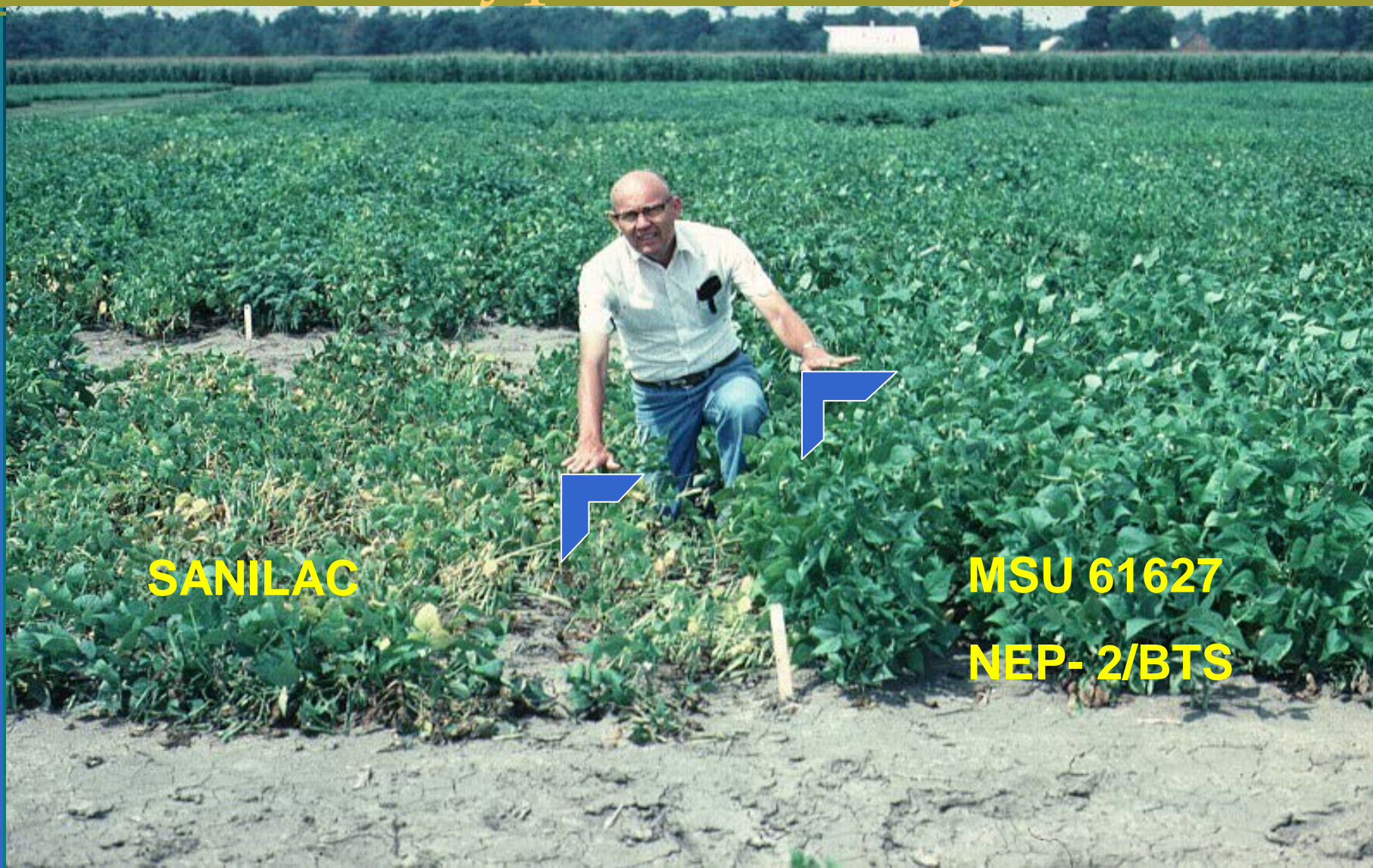
Source: Singh, 1982

CHANGES IN BEAN PLANT ARCHITECTURE

- Search for germplasm – led to small seed black beans from Mexico, Central America
- Jamapa – Mexico
- S-182-N – tested in El Salvador – Dr. Zaumeyer in 1950s through PCCMCA network
- Released in Costa Rica as San Fernando
- NEP-II was white seeded EMS mutant
- Four lines S-182-N were released in NY as Midnight by Dr. Sandsted at Cornell
- Cornerstone in breeding first upright black and navy bean varieties in Michigan

Ideotype Breeding

MSU Architype – Dr. Wayne Adams



SANILAC

MSU 61627

NEP- 2/BTS

Chronology of Upright Varieties

1970s

NEP II X BTS - W. Adams
JAMAPA/NEP II // KENTWOOD – J. Kelly

1982

DOMINO, BLACK MAGIC

1982

SWAN VALLEY, NEPTUNE

1983

C-20

1987

MAYFLOWER

1989

BLACK HAWK

1994

RAVEN

1999

JAGUAR

2003

SEAHAWK

2008

ZORRO



Seed Color Variants from NEP II Background



P- black

• Pv07

pp - white



Upright Black Bean Varieties

JAGUAR
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95 DAYS

ZORRO
MSU
98 DAYS

Yield (T/ha) Zorro Black Bean in Different Row Widths

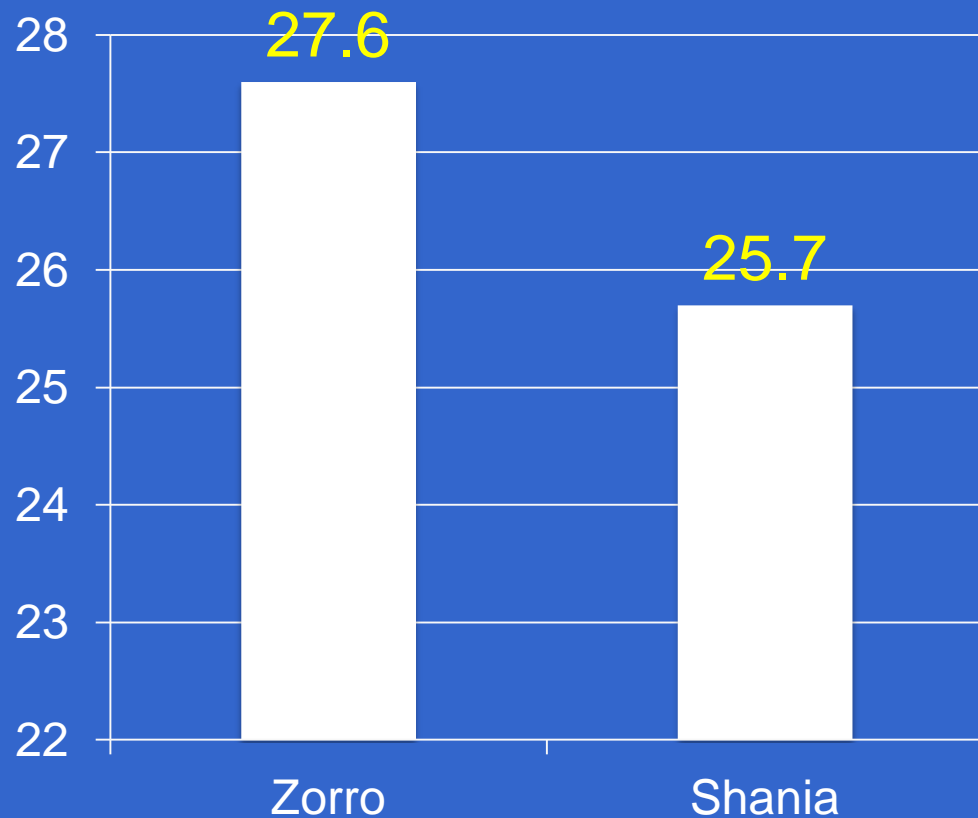
<u>Row width</u>	<u>2011 EL</u>	<u>2010 SVREC</u>	<u>2011 SVREC</u>
38 cm	4.29 a	2.13 a	2.86 a
76 cm	3.61b	2.04 a	2.63 b
Percent	19	4	8

Source: Holmes & Sprague, 2013

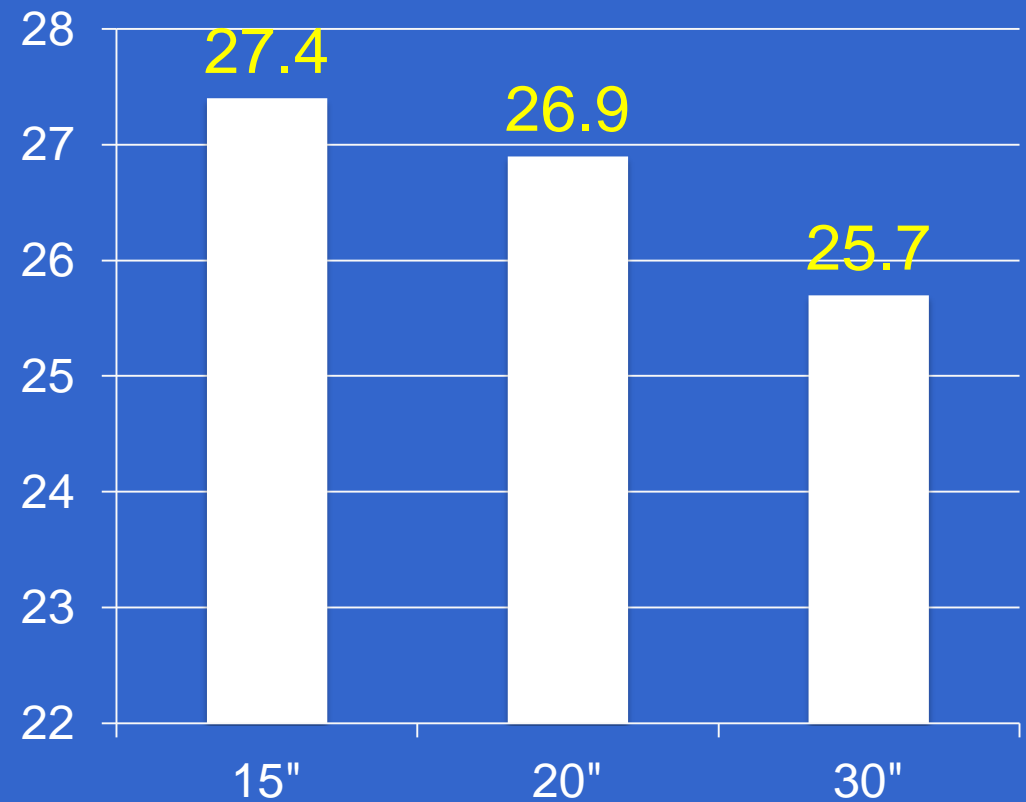
2012 Black Bean Row Width

Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center

Yield in cwt/acre



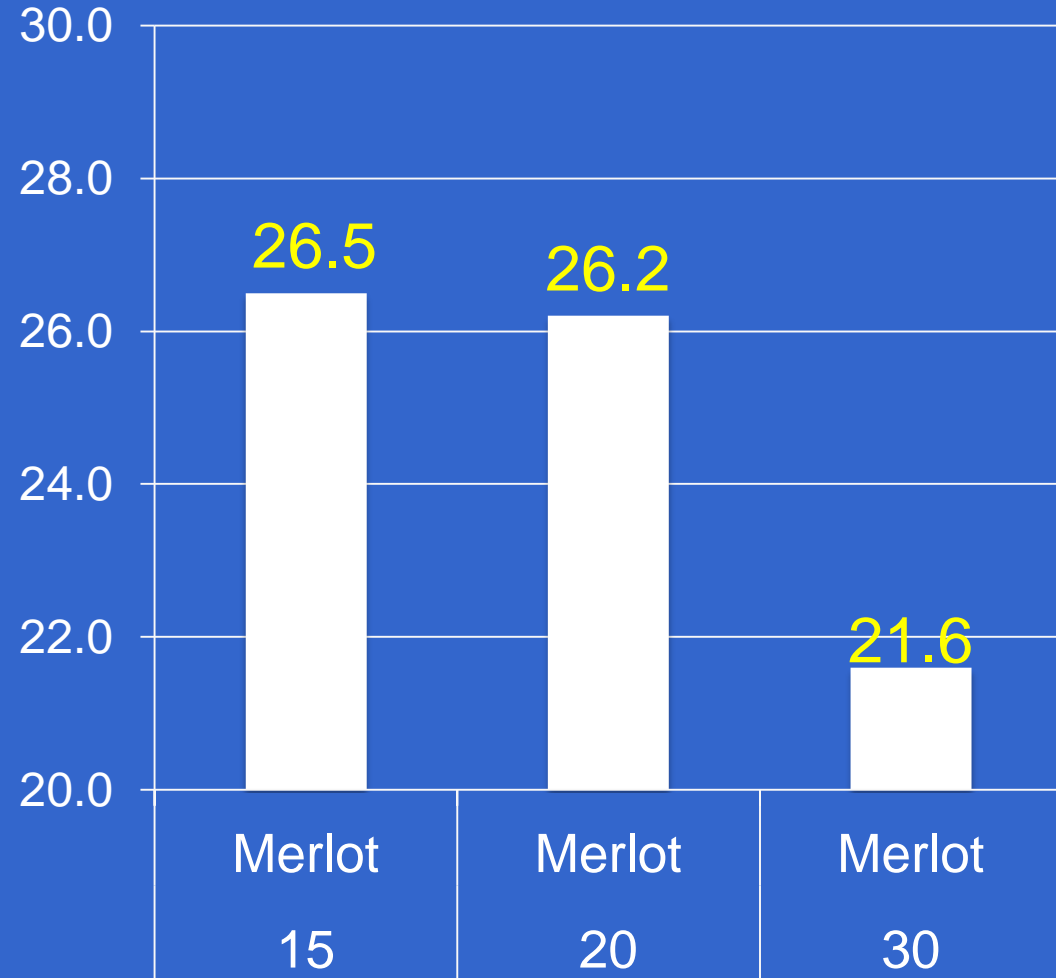
Average Yield for each Row Width



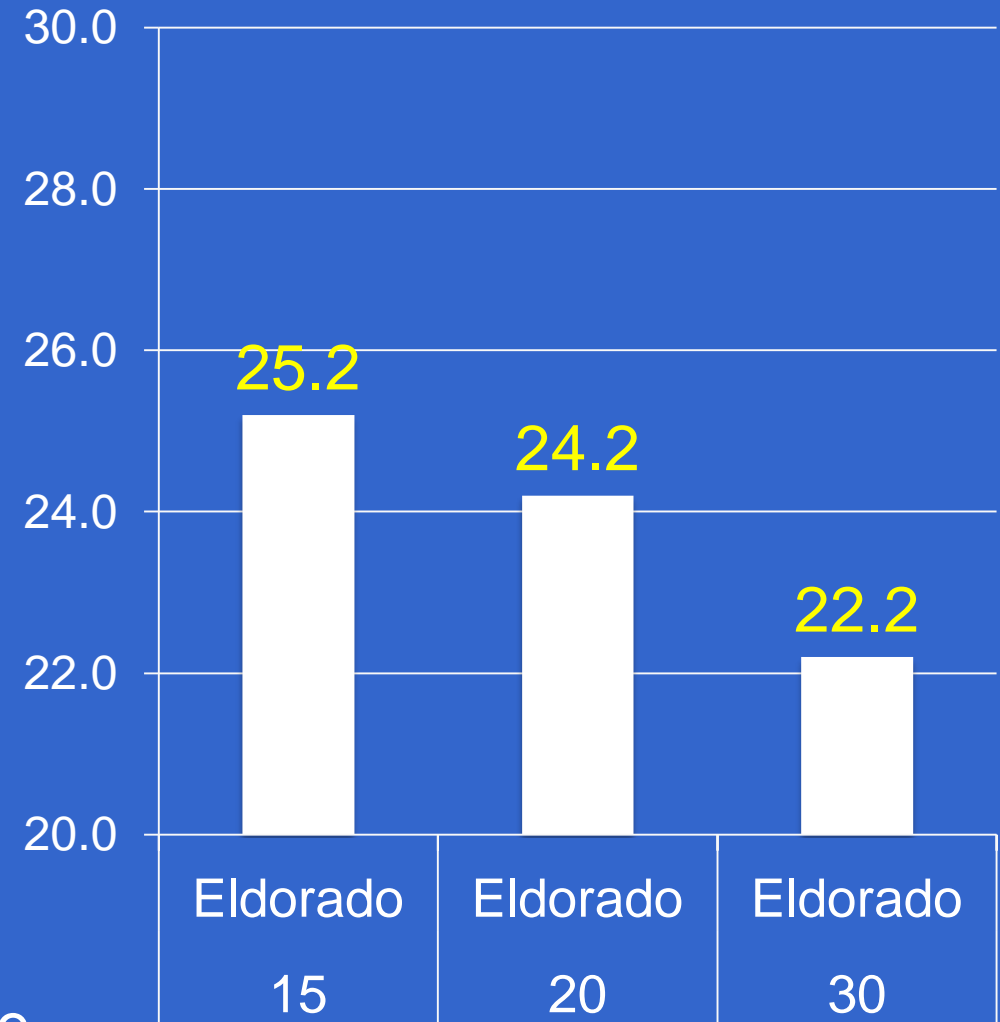
Source; Varner, 2012 SVREC web site

2012 Merlot Small Red & Eldorado Pinto Row Width Study- SVREC

Merlot Yield in cwt/acre



Eldorado Yield in cwt/acre



Source; Varner, 2012 SVREC web site

Conventional harvest

- 1) Pulling or knifing followed by windrowing
- 2) Harvest – pick up reel



Direct harvest

“Straight cutting”

--Clipping



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Middle American Gene Pool

Andean Gene Pool



Pinto



Great Northern



Light Red Kidney



Soldier



Navy



Black



Dark Red Kidney



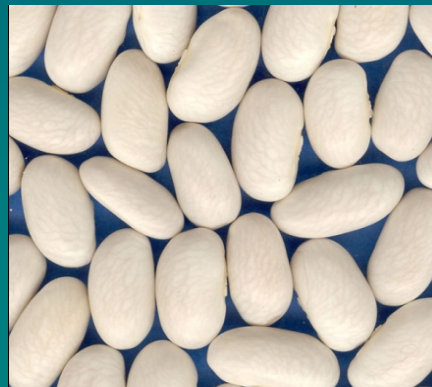
Cranberry



Small Red



Pink



White Kidney



Yellow Eye

CHANGES IN PLANT ARCHITECTURE RACE DURANGO

- Clear need to diversify market classes in Michigan in 1980's
- Traditional Durango race pinto, great northern types were all type-III – high risk alternatives
- Initiated Recurrent Selection Program to transfer type II architecture into medium seed types
- Release of Sierra pinto and Matterhorn great northern
- Valuable as parents for upright plant structure
- Breeding extended to Jalisco race small red, pink seed types – G. Hosfield
- Release of Merlot and Sedona pink



TYPE III PINTO; TYPE II PINTO; TYPE II BLACK

Eldorado Pinto

Powderhorn GN

Merlot small red

Rosetta Pink



100 PLOTS/HR



80% Beans are Direct Harvested in MI



- Savings in labor, equipment,
- Improved Quality
- More acreage
- Flexibility

CHANGES IN BEAN PLANT ARCHITECTURE

- Best architectural types are small seeded navy and black beans – 20g/100 seeds
- Medium seed (40g/100 seeds) have greater tendency to lodge – WHY?
- Less breeding effort for erectness
- Trade off between plant structure and yield
- More uneven weight distribution in larger seeded beans
- Requires more plant structure to prevent lodging – ground clearance – longer pods



Bean Ideotype – Weight Distribution



- Weight at each node in navy bean with 7 seeds/pod – $20\text{cg}/\text{seed} = 140\text{cg} \times 2 \text{ pods} = 280 \text{ cg} - \text{at each node}$
- Medium pinto seed with 6 seeds/pod – $40 \text{ cg}/\text{seeds} = 240\text{cg}/\text{seed} \times 2 \text{ pods} = 480 \text{ cg at each node}$
- More plant structure (lignin) to retain an upright stature
- Competition nutrients to seed

Bean Plant Ideotypes by Race



Mesoamerica



Durango



Jalisco

Growth Habit Differences – Race Jalisco

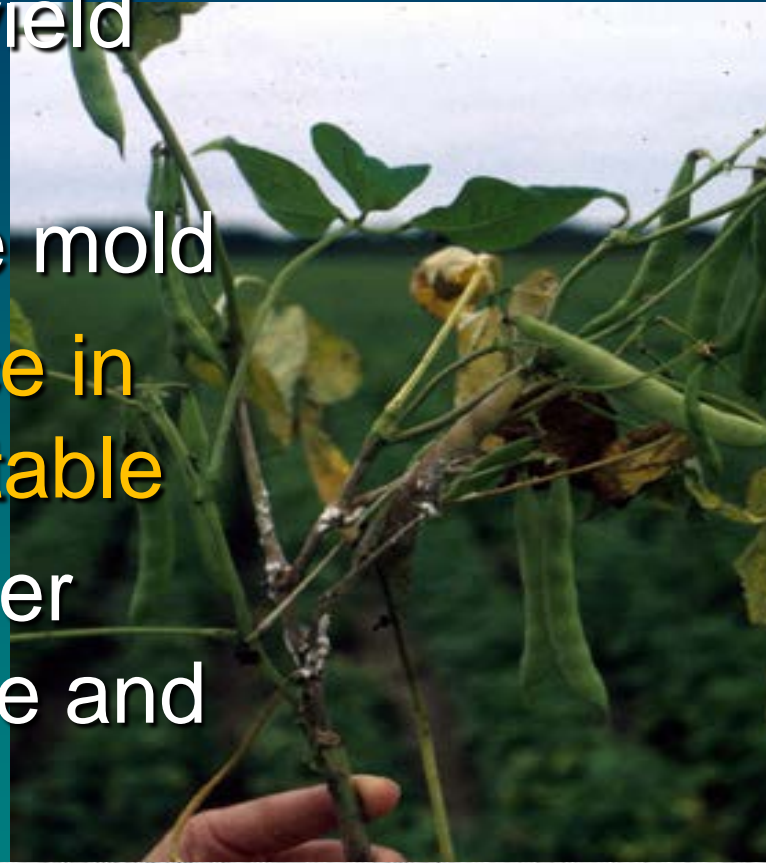


Rosetta Pink

Vine type III Pink

Architecture & White Mold Avoidance

- White mold is a harbinger of high yield environments
- Farmers-Accept low levels of white mold
- High levels of white mold resistance in low yielding genotypes is unacceptable
- Focus is to combine high yield under white mold pressure with avoidance and partial resistance



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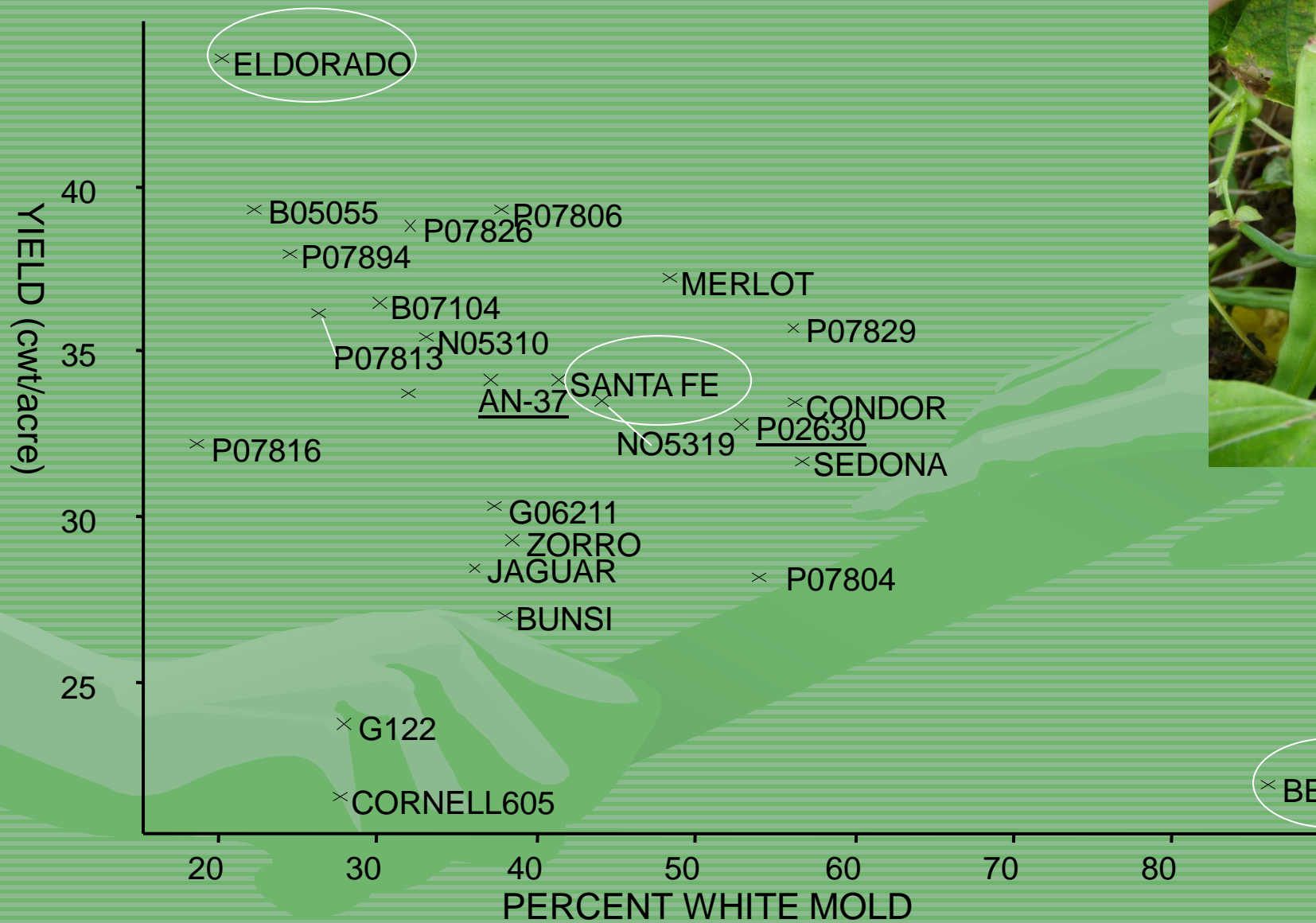
Upright Eldorado Pinto

Architectural Avoidance



Decumbent Vine Pinto

Scatter Plot of 26 Selected Genotypes Yield & % White Mold, 2007-2009



Pinto Bean Yield (T/ha) under white mold pressure

Year	% White Mold	Eldorado	Santa Fe	Beryl GN
2007	52.8	5.15	3.86	2.90
2008	35.6	6.01	4.80	3.17
2009	37.8	3.42	2.80	1.29
2010	63.3	3.64	2.93	2.99
2011	39.5	4.28	3.85	2.95
2012	40.9	4.80	3.73	2.53
2013				
	MEAN (6)	4.55	3.66	2.64
PERCENT	MEAN	173	139	100

White Mold Trials- Montcalm 2013



Beryl Great Northern



Importance of Architectural
Avoidance against White Mold

Montcalm Research Farm

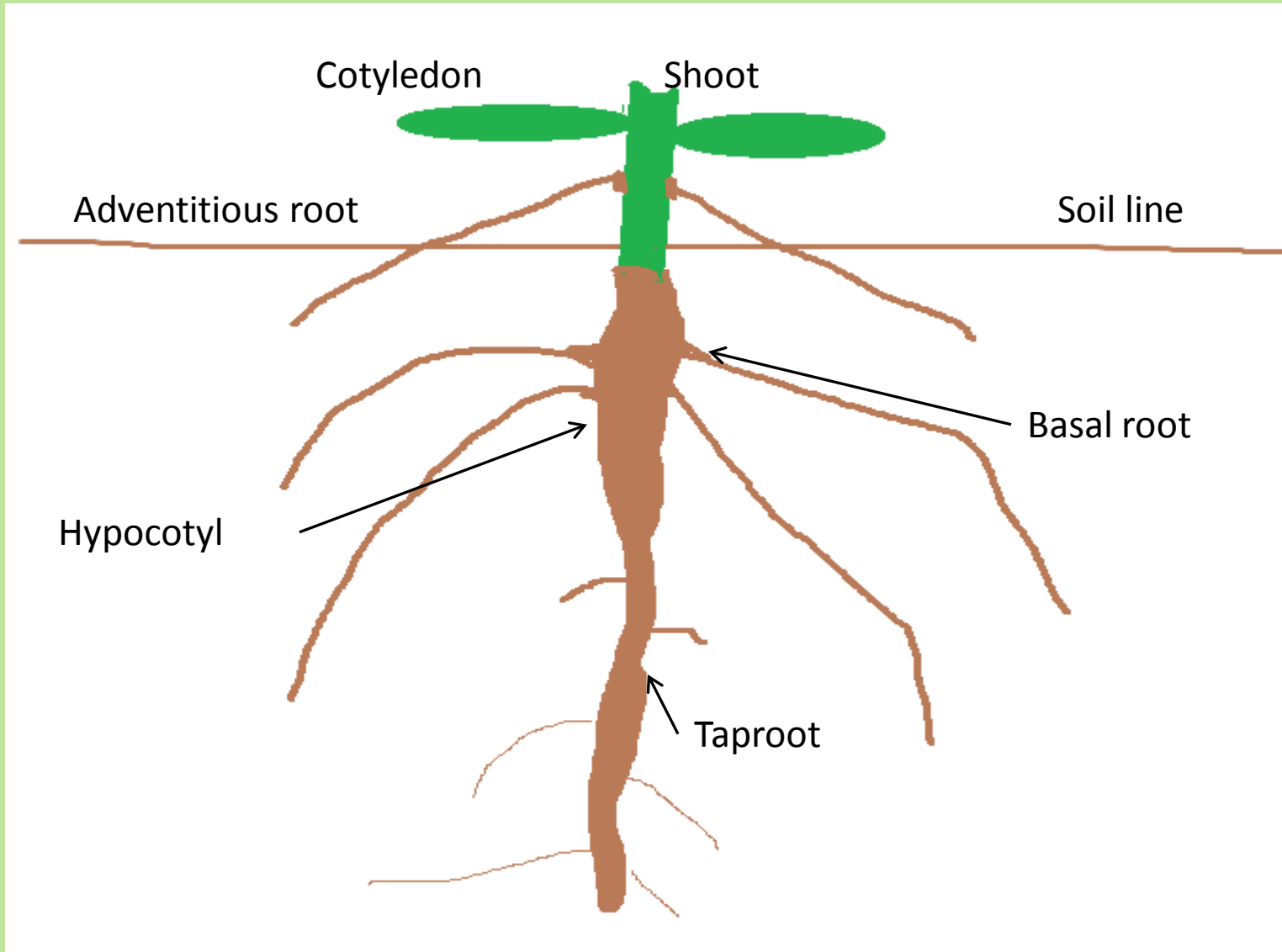
An aerial photograph of the Montcalm Research Farm. The image shows a large, organized agricultural site. In the upper left, there is a farmstead with several red barns and white silos. To the right of the farmstead is a large, rectangular plot divided into numerous smaller, rectangular sub-plots, likely used for experimental trials. Further right, there are more rows of crops, possibly corn or soybeans, arranged in neat, parallel lines. The background is dominated by a dense forest of green trees. The overall scene is a well-maintained and structured agricultural research facility.

Kidney & Cranberry Trials
White Mold Trials
Drought Trials



Montrose- Type III; Jaguar- Type IIa; A55 -Type IIa

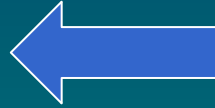
Root Architecture - Morphological Coordination between Root and Shoots?



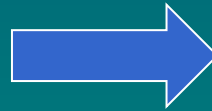
ROOT SYSTEMS



ZORRO



PUEBLA 152



Source UCR-
Ibarra, Waines



Shovelomics – Montcalm MI 2011-2013

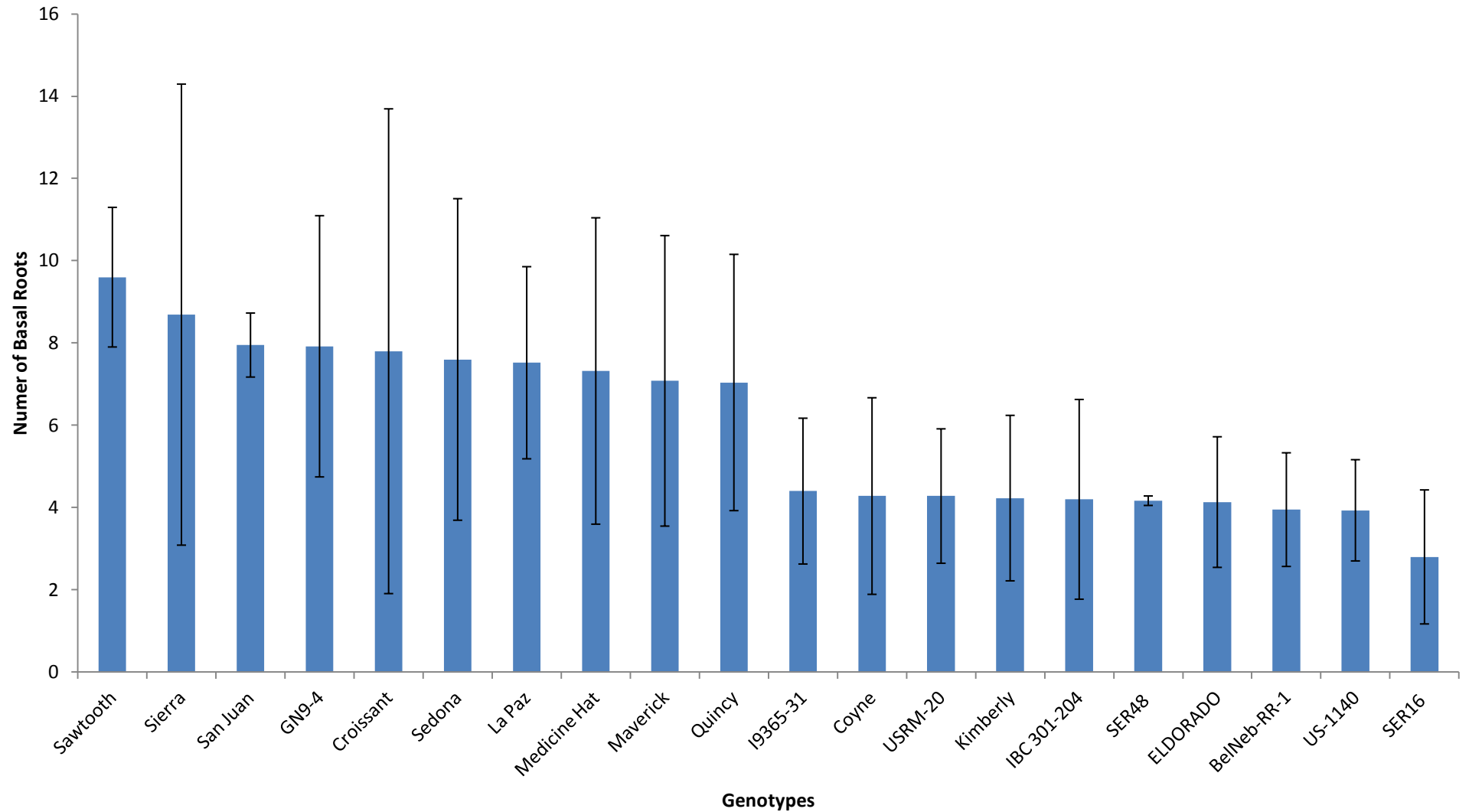


Are. Root Traits Associated with Shoot Traits ??

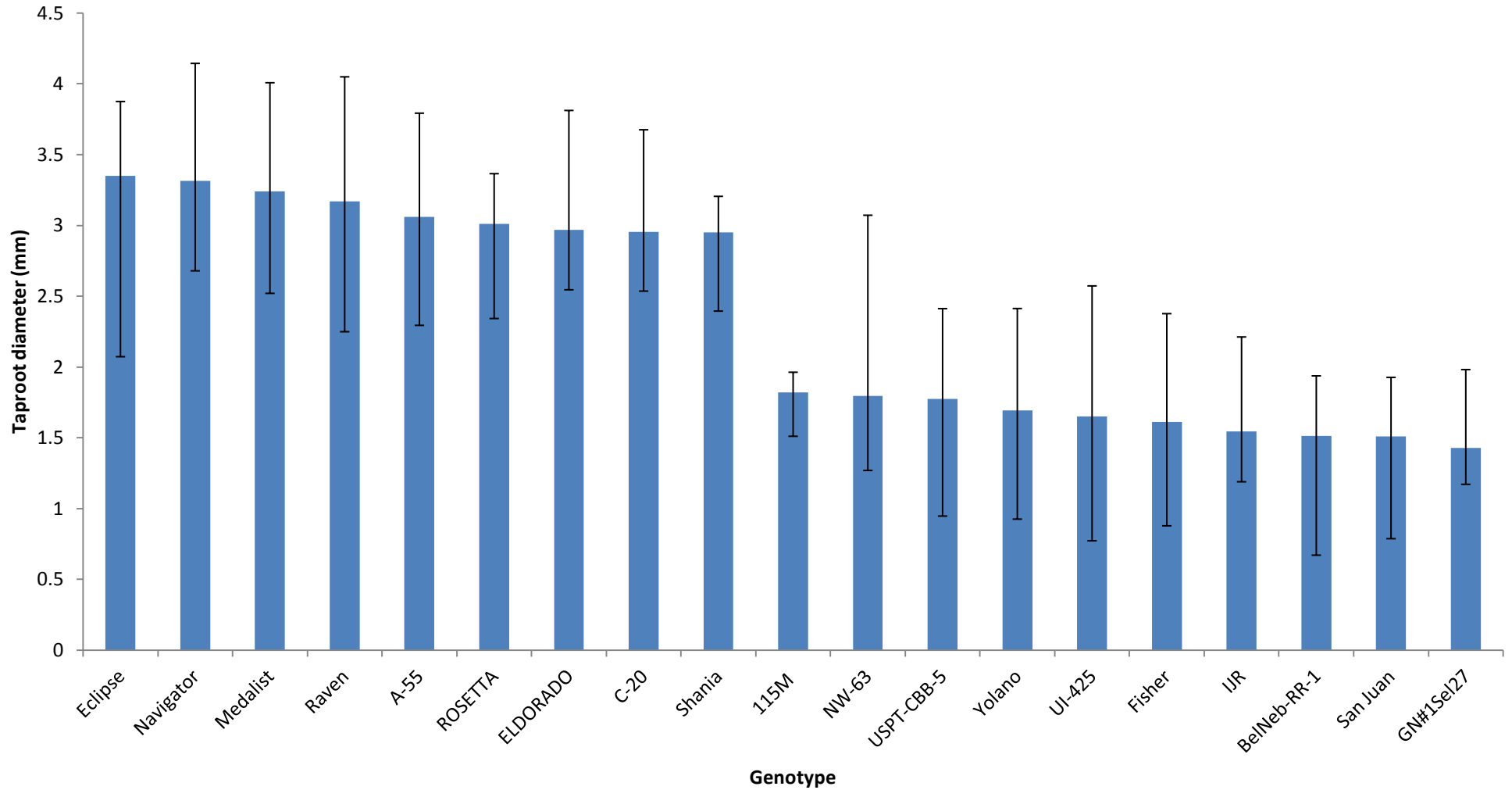


- Basal root number
- Basal root angle
- Taproot diameter
- Overall Root Score
 - 0-3= poor
 - 4-7= average
 - 8-10= excellent
 - Pictured: 4 – average
- Conduct Association Mapping Analysis

Basal Root Number

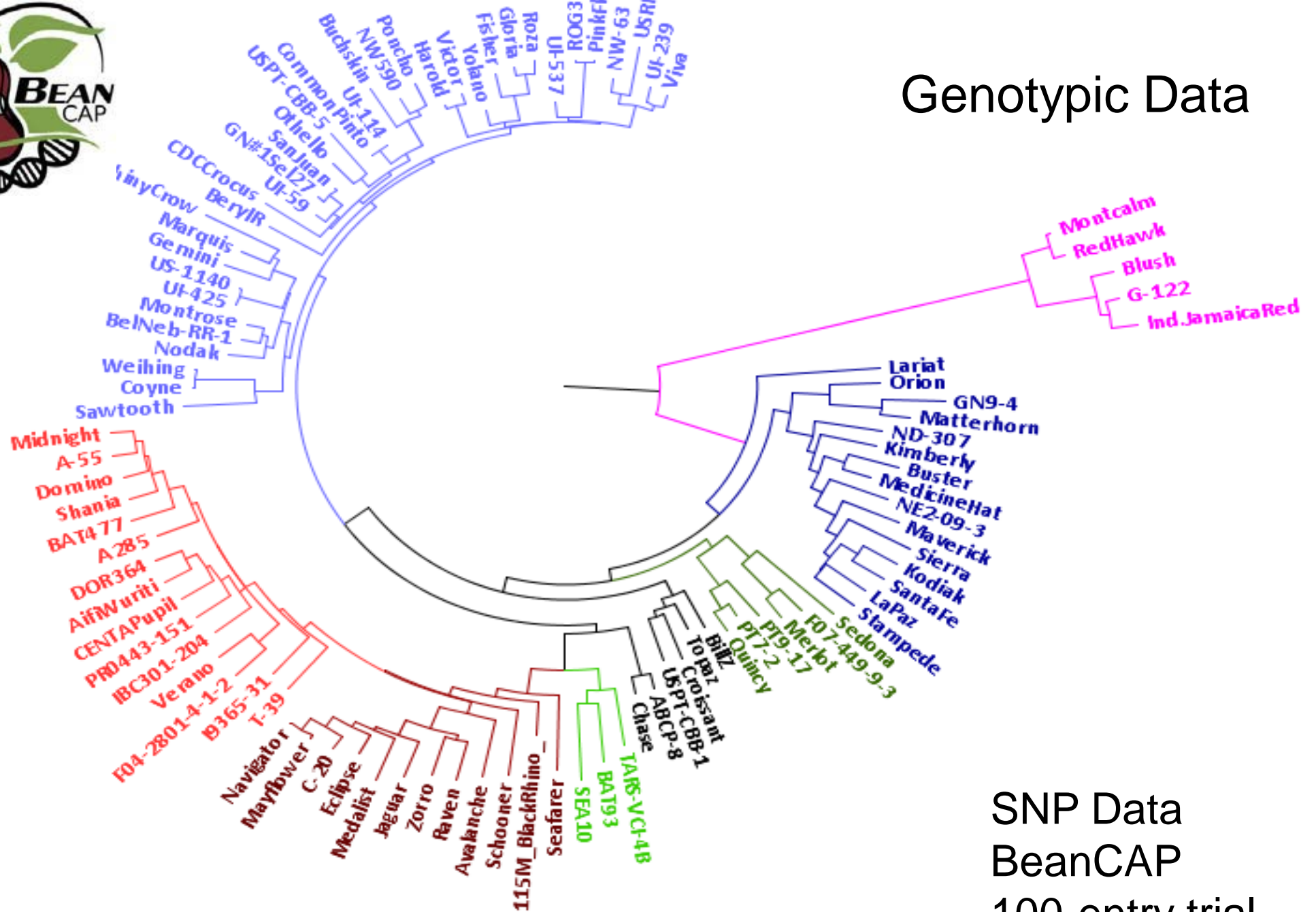


Taproot Diameter





Genotypic Data



SNP Data
 BeanCAP
 100-entry trial



TD: 2.2
RS: 3.3

TD: 1.5
RS: 2.2

Montcalm
RedHawk
Blush
G-122
Ind.JamaicaRed

TD: 2.3
RS: 4.0

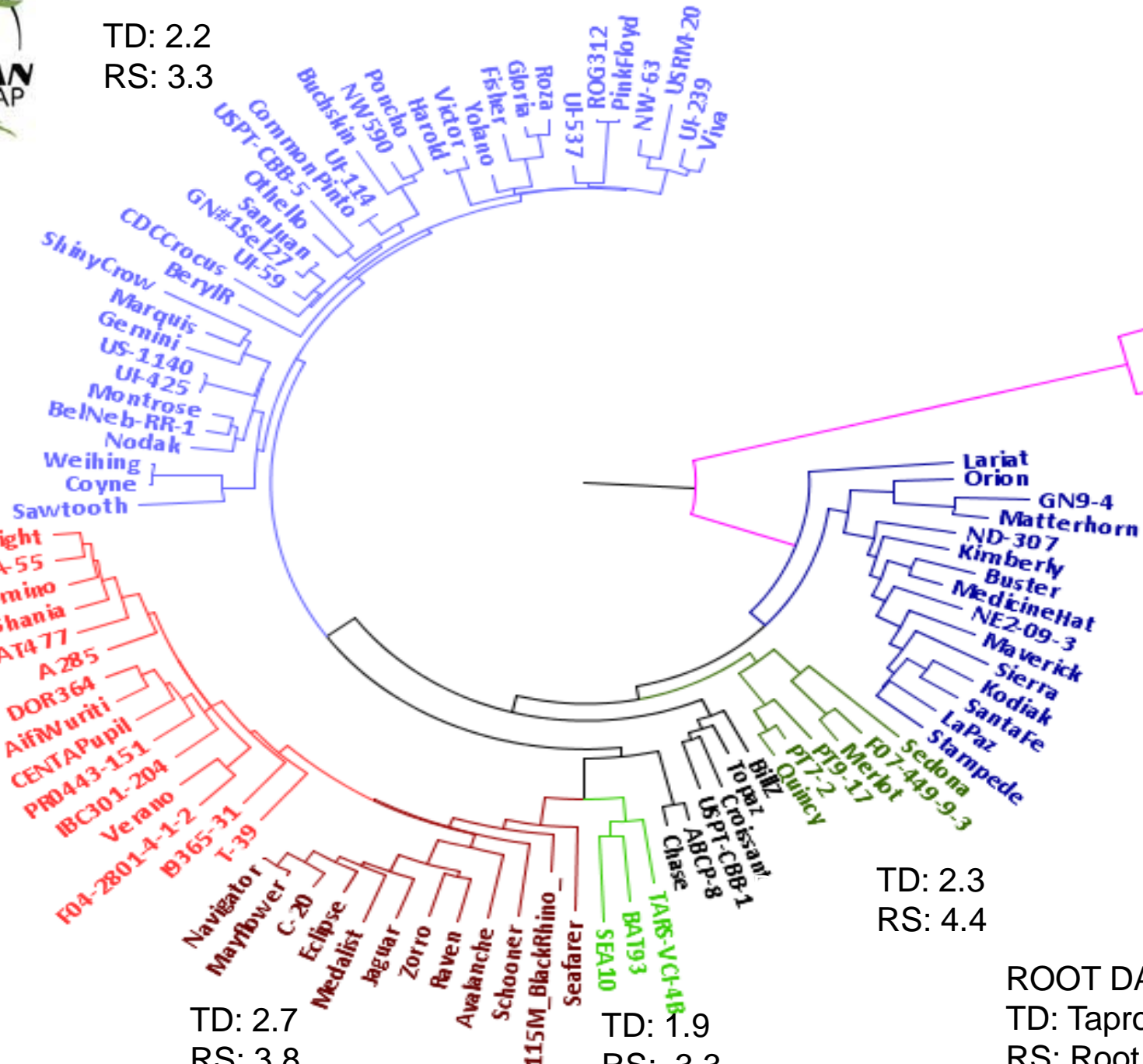
TD: 2.4
RS: 3.5

TD: 2.3
RS: 4.4

TD: 2.7
RS: 3.8

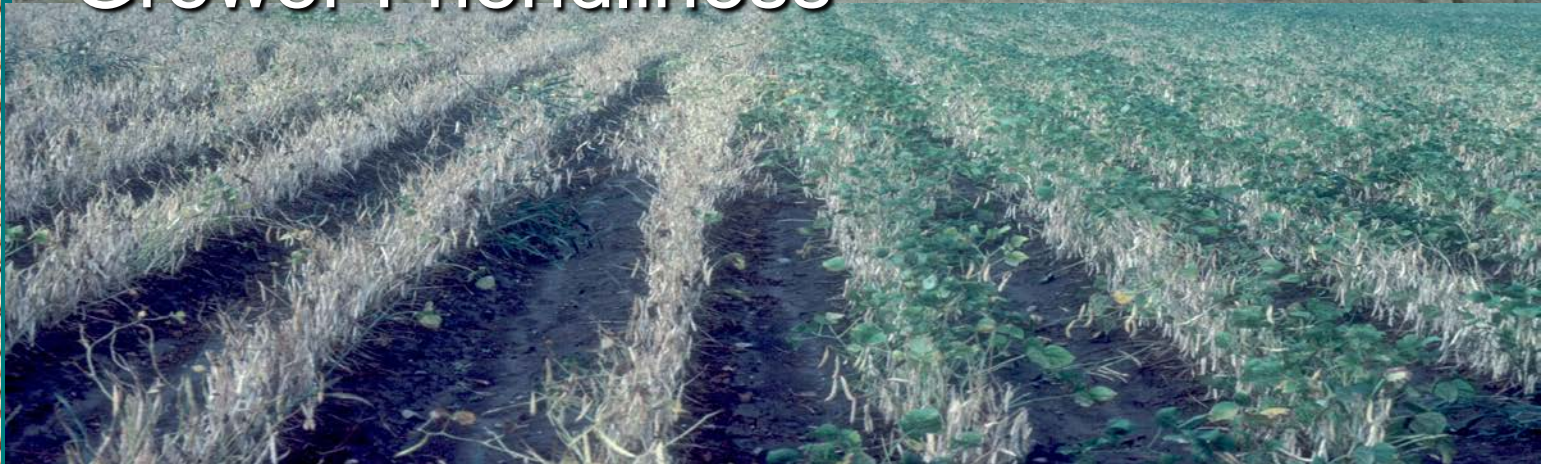
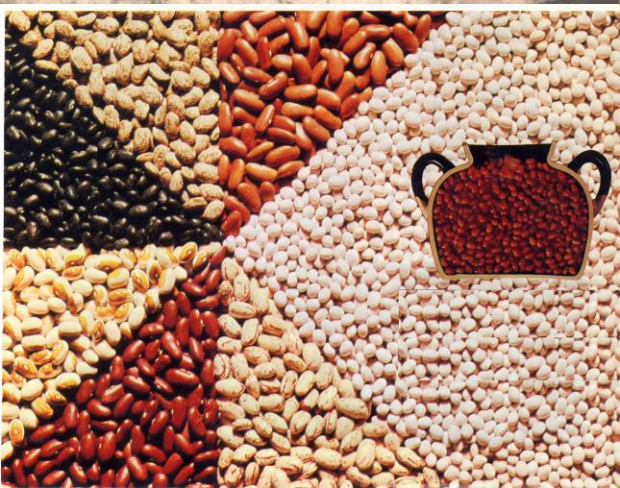
TD: 1.9
RS: 3.3

ROOT DATA (2011, 2012)
TD: Taproot Diameter (mm)
RS: Root Score (1-7)



MSU Dry Bean Breeding

- Yield
- Processing Quality
- Architecture & Agronomic Adaptation
- Disease & Insect Resistance
- Stress Tolerance
- Grower Friendliness

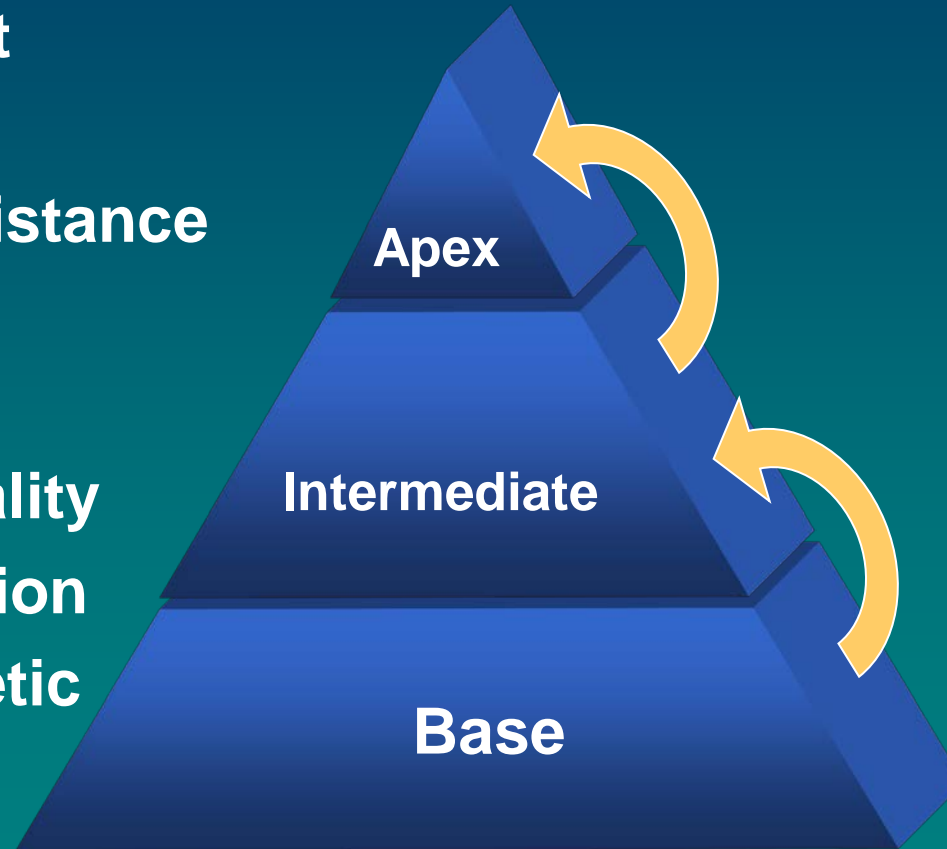


Breeding Systems – Different Classes & Traits

- Pedigree breeding - Yield & Quality
- Shuttle breeding – Puerto Rico
- Backcross -Disease Resistance
- Recurrent Selection -Architecture
- Inbred BC – Introduce Diversity
- Marker-Assisted Selection:-MAS
- MAS – Disease Resistance
- QTL analysis for quantitative traits

Bean Breeding Pyramid

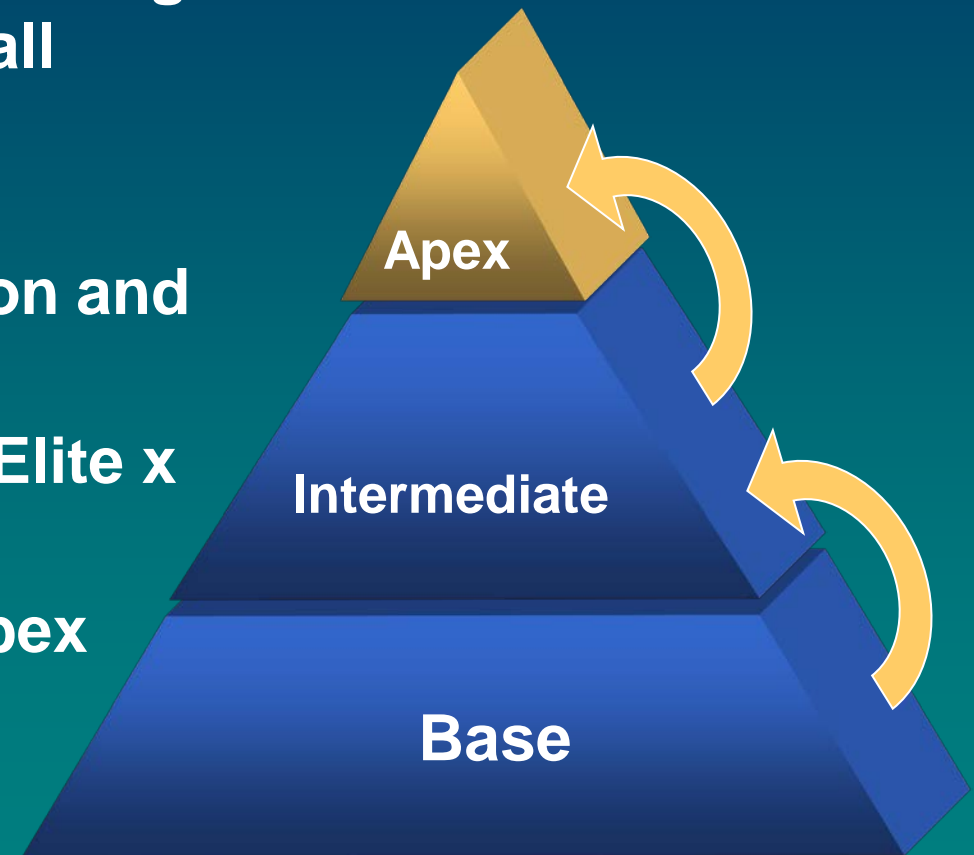
- **Yield Improvement**
 - Growth Habit
 - Maturity
 - Disease Resistance
 - Market class
 - Seed Traits
 - Canning Quality
- **Broad Foundation**
- **Adequate Genetic Variability**



*Adapted from Kelly et al. (1998) Breeding for yield in dry bean. Euphytica 102:343-356

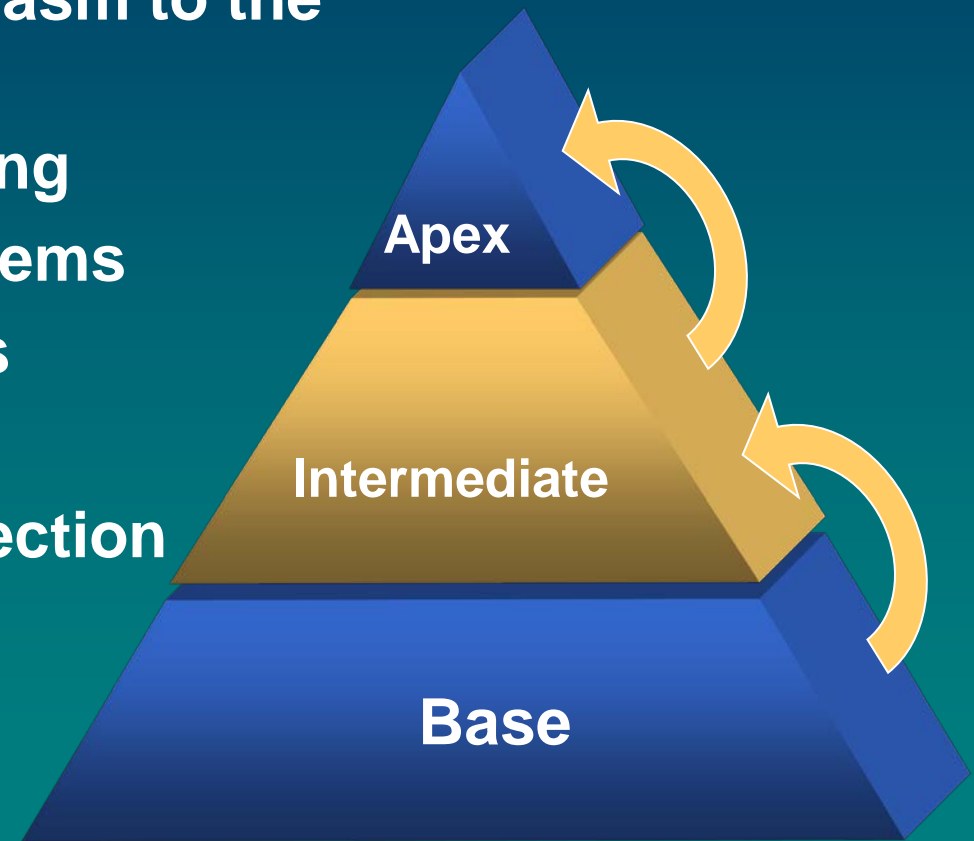
Breeding Pyramid

- University public bean breeding programs must focus on all levels of pyramid
- New varieties, advancing science, training, education and extension
- New varieties come from Elite x Elite crosses - Apex
- Private sector focus on apex
- USDA programs focus on germplasm enhancement
- Focus on intermediate and base levels



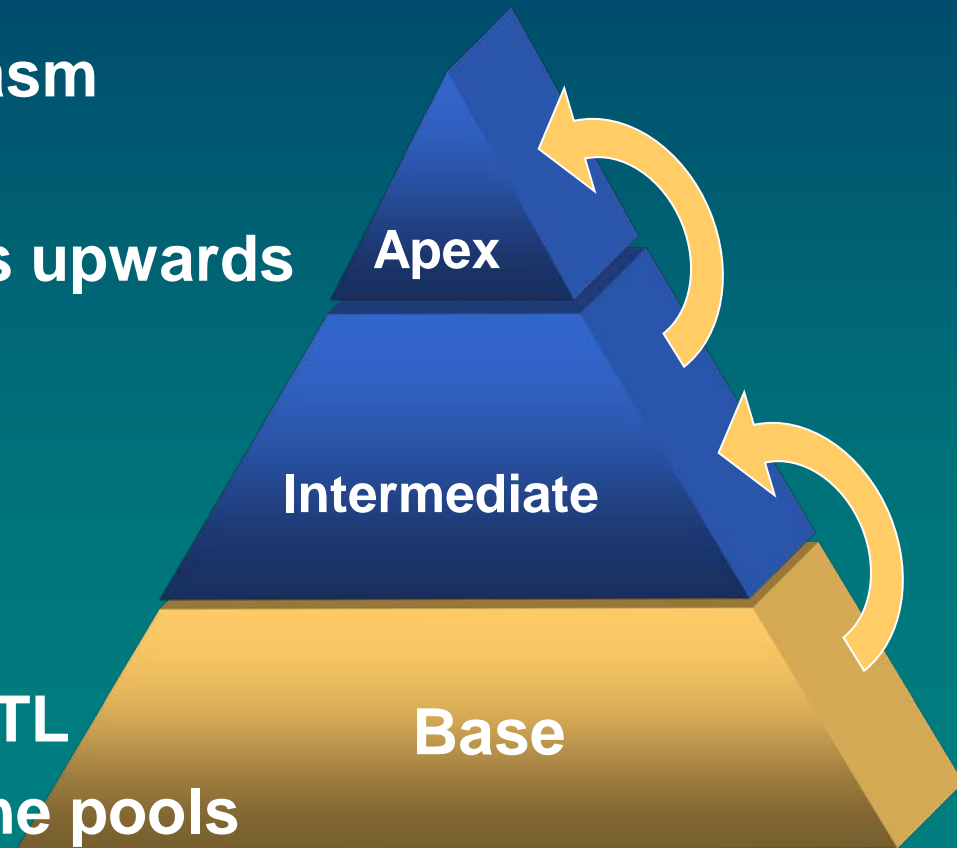
Breeding Pyramid

- Genetic studies contribute new information and germplasm to the breeding program
- Graduate student training
- Different Breeding Systems
 - Recurrent backcross
 - Inbred backcross
 - Marker Assisted Selection
 - Conical crossing
- Be innovative
- Approaches, Ideas



Breeding Pyramid

- Long term solutions
- Basic studies
- Introgressing wild germplasm
- Other species
- Still have to work materials upwards
- Cyclic Interbreeding
 - Recurrent Selection
 - Congruity backcross
 - Conical crossing
 - Advanced Backcross-QTL
- Force Introgression b/t gene pools
- Improve Andean bush beans



Ecuador



PULSE CRSP

Dry Grain Pulses Collaborative
Research Support Program

**MICHIGAN STATE
UNIVERSITY**

Climbing Beans Higher Elevations



97,000 Hectares

Bush Beans Lower Elevations



23,000 Hectares



Dry Seed



Green
Shell



RECENT BRED VARIETIES - INIAP

INIAP 429 Paragachi Andino



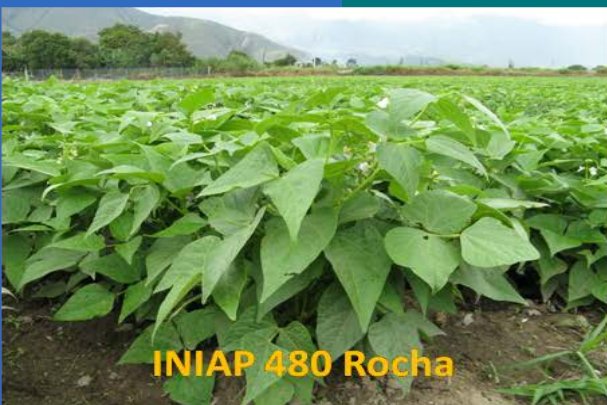
**PARA-
GACHI
ANDINO**

INIAP 430 Portilla



PORTILLO

INIAP 480 Rocha



ROCHA

Screening for Root Rot Resistance



Release of Centenario - 2012



CENTENARIO

RESISTENCIA GENÉTICA A:

- Roya
- Antracnosis
- Mancha angular
- Pudrición de raíz



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Louis Butare





Rwanda





Hillside Farming Terraces in Rwanda



Climbing Bean Varieties



LAND USE EFFICIENCY 3: 1 BUSH BEANS

STAKING INNOVATION TRIAL

- Used 6 treatments of wood, wood and strings with normal and no staking (20,000 stakes per grower)
- 15,000 to 50,000 stakes per ha as controls
- Farmer participatory evaluation at 3 sites
- Yield ranged 1.73 to 3.13 t/ha



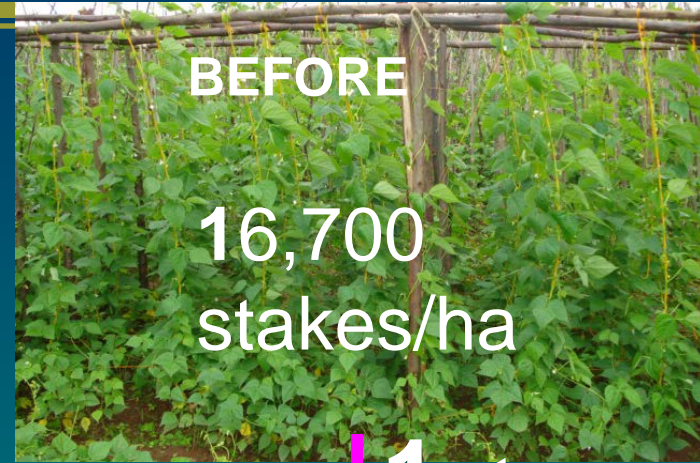
Participatory selection group



Farmers' preferences



6th



1st



Krista Isaacs



- Mother-baby-grandbaby trials- testing climbing bean-maize cropping system interaction over two seasons
 - Mother trial: Two research stations, 6 bean genotypes
 - Baby trials: 8 farmers' fields
 - Grandbaby trials: 70 farmers selected two bean genotypes for experimentation on their own farms

DERN
R.A: MUKO
HIGH IRON BEANS
ISAR - HARVEST PLUS
Var: RWV 3006
RWV 2872
RWV 3316
GASIRIDA





Climbing Beans – Mono & Intercrop Yields Musanze (1860m), Rwerere (2116m), Rwanda

<u>Location</u>	<u>IC</u>	<u>TC</u>	<u>BO</u>	<u>MO</u>
MS S1	1.7	1.8	3.7	6.4
MS S2	1.0	2.3	2.6	8.8
MS total	2.7	4.1	6.3	15.2
RS S1	1.9	2.4	4.4	2.0
RS S2	1.2	1.4	3.0	4.0
RS total	3.1	3.8	7.4	6.0

IC-Intercrop Rows; TC-Traditional intercrop; BO-Beans only; MO-Maize only

Land Equivalent Ratio - Climbing Beans Rwanda

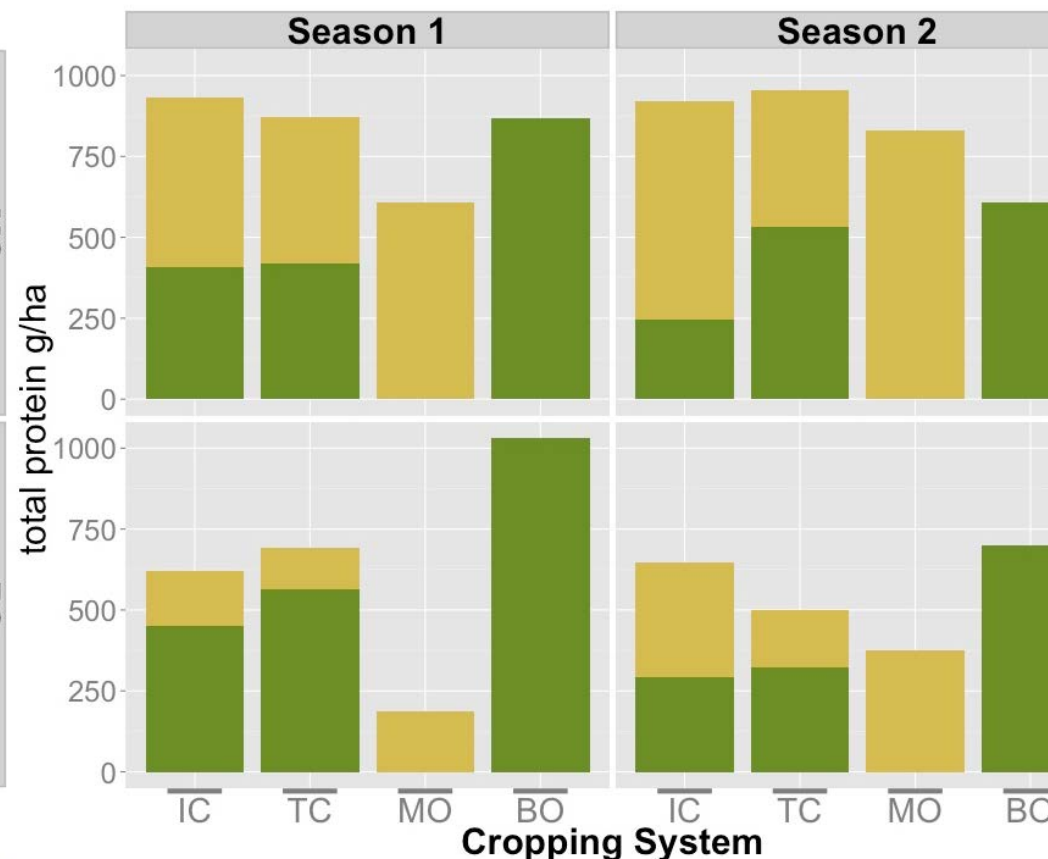
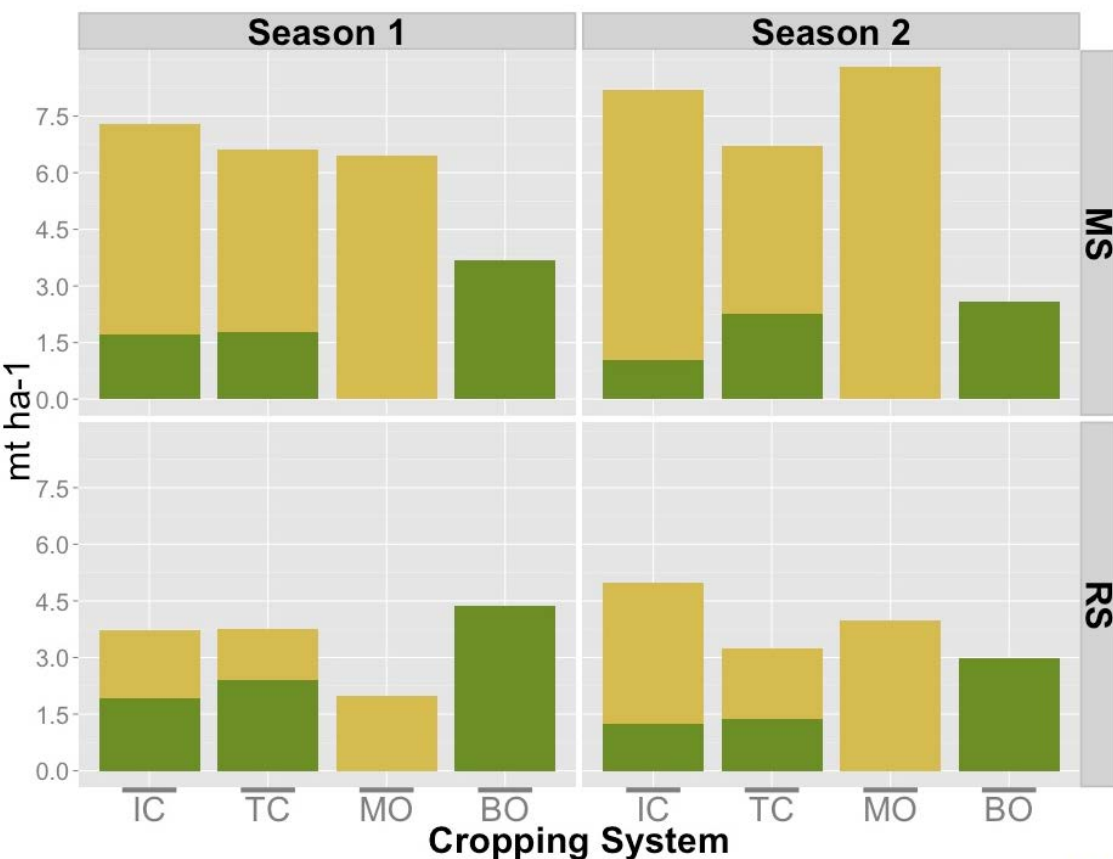
<u>Location</u>	<u>IC</u>	<u>TC</u>	<u>BO</u>	<u>MO</u>
MS S1	1.65	1.48	1.09	1.27
MS S2	1.78	1.55	0.76	1.74
MS Average	1.72	1.52	0.93	1.51
RS S1	0.94	0.98	1.29	0.39
RS S2	1.14	0.73	0.88	0.78
RS Average	1.04	0.86	1.09	0.59

LER – yield intercrop/yield mono for beans + maize; Source Isaacs, 2013

Climbing Beans – Mono & Intercrop Seed & Protein Yields, Rwanda

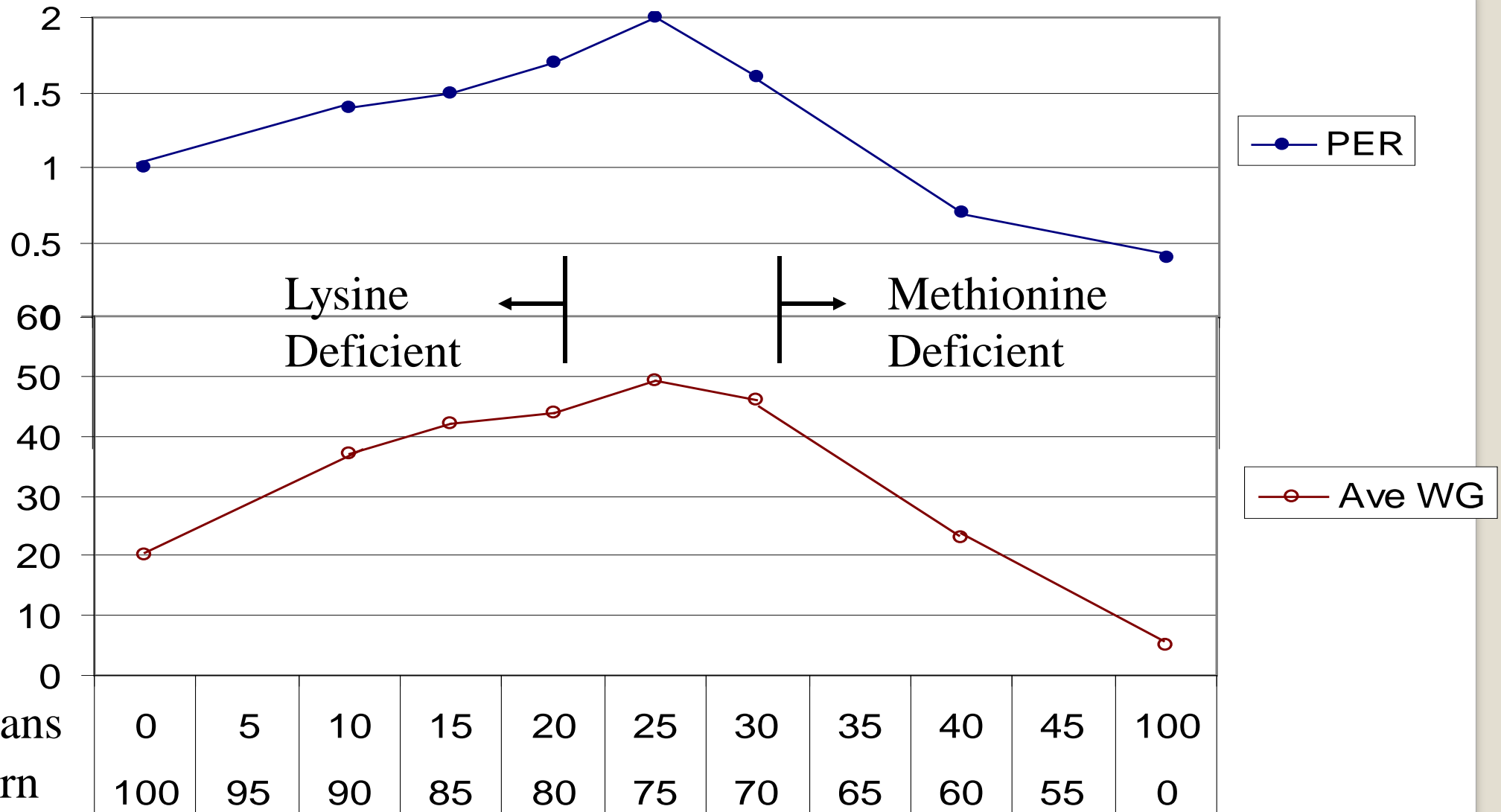
Total Grain Yield T/ha

Total Protein Yield g/ha



Maize
Beans

Protein Quality of Corn and Black Bean Protein Combinations



Actual % Distribution of Beans to Corn in Diet

Bressani, 1973
INCAP

How do we produce more beans?

- Climbing beans offer potential to increase yields
- High yielding – well adapted – consumer preference for seed/ pod types
- Lack resistance to seed borne pathogens, local races of anthracnose, rust, ALS, CBB
- Introgress major gene resistance
- Backcross – MAS
- Effect minimal change, correct major deficiency
- Robust markers –utilize bean genomic sequence to find SNP and convert to SSR markers

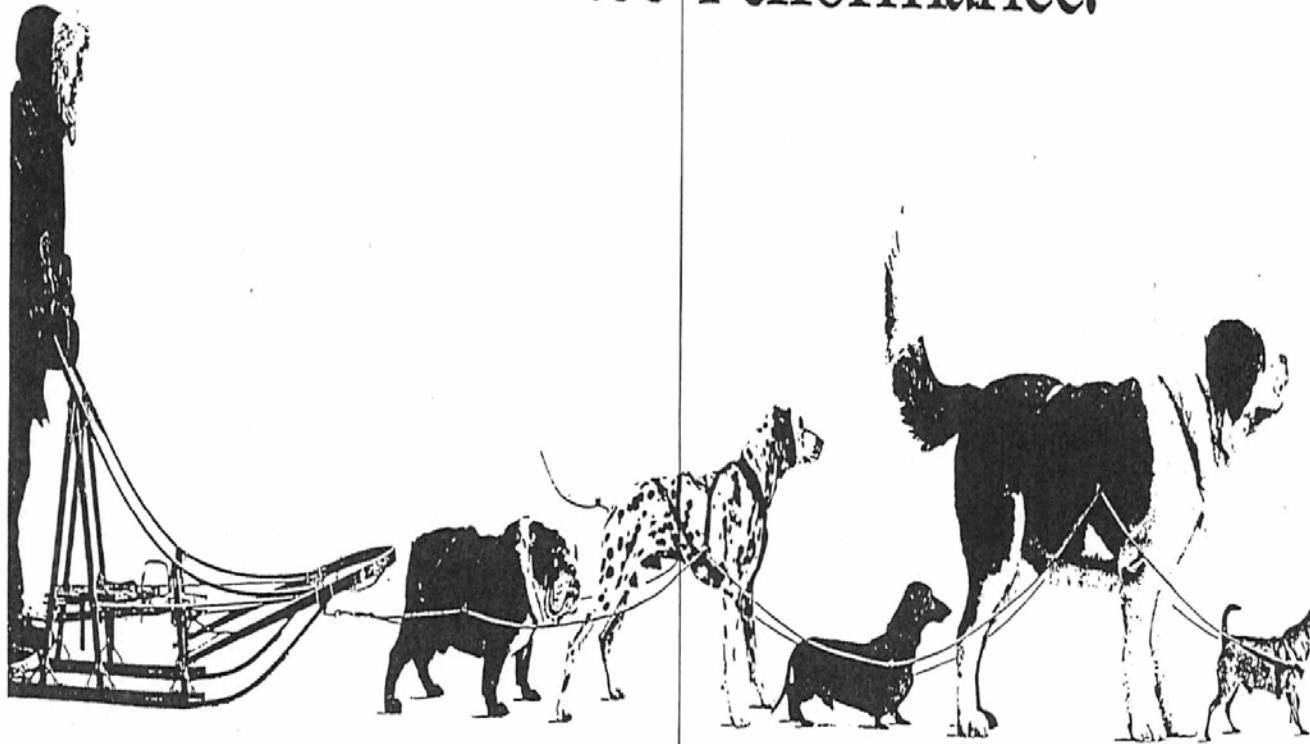
Critical Needs in Climbing Beans – Resistance to Seed Borne Pathogen



Issues in Bean Breeding in the Future

- Bean breeders have to focus more on cyclic intermating to generate new genetic recombinations
- Less likely to emerge from single crosses
- Robust markers could help in that process
- Short term funding does not support long term cyclic intermating schemes that are needed
- SNP data continues to show the narrow genetic background of classes
- Progress will require new variability

It Takes More Than Genetic Diversity To Guarantee Performance.



- Future in utilizing wild bean germplasm
- **Not as convinced that related species offer potential**
- Despite the major genes for CBB from Tepary bean
- **Use cyclic inter-mating is needed**
- Assisted with MAS

Issues in Bean Breeding in the Future

- Inability to effectively introgress strengths of the Middle American gene pool into Andean germplasm – Why?
- Genetic incompatibility – physiological differences in terms of yield processes
- Efforts to force recombinations are lacking
- Do climbing beans offer new genetics to bush types – JeMa variety in Ecuador
- Calima germplasm offers a better gene pool bridge that does NA kidney germplasm

Issues in Bean Breeding in the Future

- Caution as we enter the genomics era
- Most economic traits are not under single gene control
- Haste to identify underlying genes is premature
- Still have to effect change and develop new genetic combinations
- RNA seq data – Differential display is interesting
- Goal is to sequence genes
- Rather simplistic approach given what we know or don't know of genetics controlling yield

Issues in Bean Breeding in the Future

- Association mapping is a static approach to crop improvement
- **Generate Genomic information - associations**
- Does not generate new genetic recombinations
- **Underlying assumption that new markers translates into new varieties**
- Experience differs with that assumption
- **New varieties come from extensive crossing and field testing**
- Continue to give this aspect increased priority

MSU Bean Breeding & Genetics Lab 2013



Dry Beans—

Michigan's
Pretty
Package
of Health
Benefits



United States Department of Agriculture
National Institute of Food and Agriculture



**National
Sclerotinia
Initiative**

THE MICHIGAN BEAN
COMMISSION



USAID
FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE



PULSE CRSP

Dry Grain Pulses Collaborative
Research Support Program

**MICHIGAN STATE
UNIVERSITY**



**Michigan Crop
improvement association**

Michigan State University

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Zorro

Merlot

Red Hawk

Matterhorn

Beluga

Sierra

Mayflower