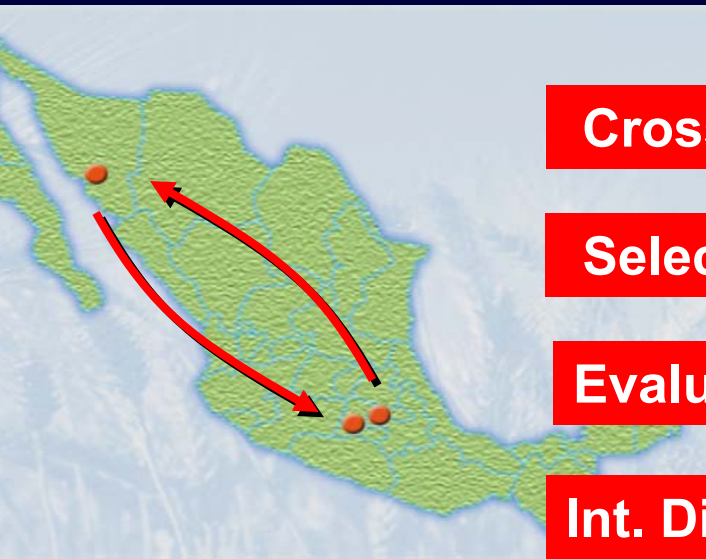


**A practical perspective on the application of
molecular breeding software**

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General breeding scheme



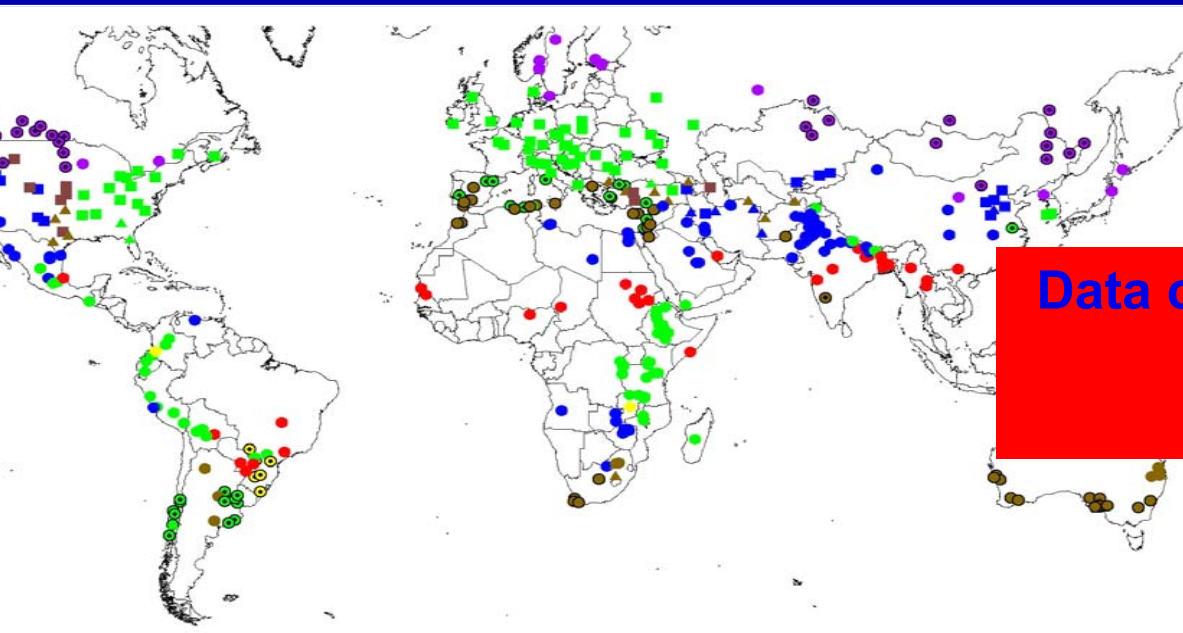
Crossing

Selection

Evaluation

Int. Distribution

5 years / 2 crops year



Data collection & interpretation of
worldwide
Multi-location testing

Product of Trait Performance makes a Variety and not the sum

- Grain Yield x Abiotic Stress Tolerance x Disease Resistance x Quality
- If any component is 0 = susceptible, low quality, wrong grain color
- **Farmers will not grow the variety**

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Grade Data				Non-Grade Data				Semolina Data							Agronomic				
Test Weigh	Yellow Berry	Black Point	Grain Protein	Grain Ash	1000 GW	SDS WMeal	Flour	Flour Color	Extraction Total Sem.	Protein Semolina	Alveogram W	P/L	Color Sem.	Grain Yield Cd. Obregon					
Kg/hl	%	%	2% m Dry M	%	gr	ml	ml	Min b	%	%	2% m Dry M	10 ⁻⁴	P/L	Min b	Altar = 100% Avg = before 20				
> 82	< 5	< 5	> 13	> 14.7	< 1.6	> 50	> 8.5	> 10.5	> 21	> 65	> 54	> 11.5	> 13.8	> 280	> 1.5	> 26	Avg	2001	2002
83.4	0.5	0.8	13.0	14.8	1.6	45.8	8.0	9.6	21	70	58	11.3	13.6	365	2.3	24.5			
83.1	0.7	1.3	12.1	13.8	1.5	47.0	8.8	9.5	21	69	57	10.7	12.9	320	2.3	24.2			
81.9	0.2	1.0	12.9	14.7	1.5	48.6	9.7	10.3	20	68	55	11.2	13.5	298	2.0	23.7			
82.7	0.3	1.4	12.7	14.4	1.5	46.9	8.0	9.3	18	70	57	11.4	13.6	292	2.4	22.6			
82.0	0.1	1.4	13.6	15.4	1.5	46.2	8.6	9.8	21	70	55	12.0	14.4	433	2.1	24.3			
82.0	0.3	0.9	13.1	14.9	1.6	44.4	8.4	10.1	22	68	55	11.5	13.8	314	1.8	25.8			
76.9	0.1	1.3	13.3	15.1	1.6	43.7	9.5	11.0	24	67	53	11.2	13.5	586	2.0	29.0			

Red Lines

1	83.8	0.2	0.6	12.3	13.9	1.5	44.8	11.0	12.5	25	68	54	10.8	13.0	514	2.2	28.9	104	98	100
1	82.6	0.0	0.0	11.6	13.2	1.6	42.3	10.0	12.5	24	70	57	10.6	12.7	592	2.1	27.6	103	104	100
4	82.4	0.2	0.3	12.5	14.2	1.5	45.1	10.5	13.5	23	69	57	11.2	13.4	340	2.9	26.6	103	97	99
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3	82.4	6.4	1.2	11.8	13.4	1.5	36.0	9.5	10.5	25	71	58	10.5	12.6	494	2.8	28.0	98	96	100
1	84.4	1.8	1.7	12.1	13.8	1.5	44.4	10.5	13.0	25	69	56	10.7	12.9	390	2.2	28.4	98	92	100
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Overall very good quality (Grain, pigment and strength)
 Good, high in yellow color and acceptable grain and strength
 Good, high strength and acceptable grain and yellow color
 Acceptable grain attributes and acceptable color and strength

Why do we need tools in breeding?

- Selection efficiency increases if all data –biological and molecular - can be used to decide
 - Which crosses to make? Parental selection
 - Which type of cross: Single, three-way, double, backcross,
 - Which selection method? Pedigree, bulk, modified bulk, selected bulk

Why do we need tools in breeding?

- Increased selection efficiency
- Large amount of gene and molecular information available from Genomics research
- Linking available biological and molecular data and breeders' requirements
- How to access data that they are “knowledge” to be used in a breeding program

New challenges, new tools

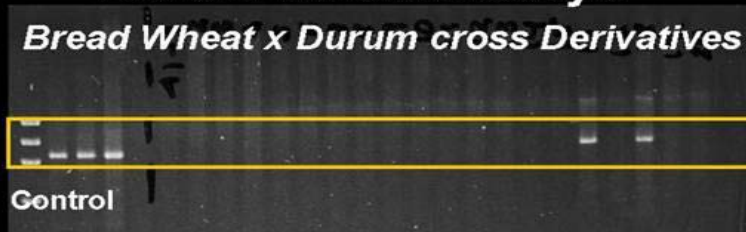
Drought tolerance through better root health

Use of molecular markers

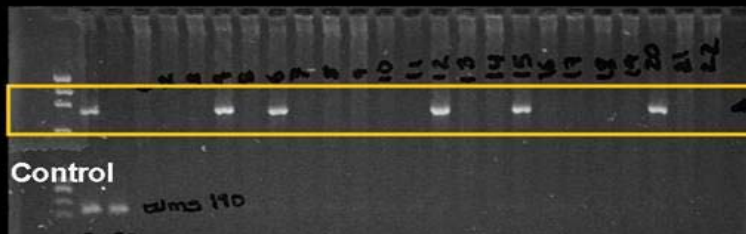
Durum Wheat Assays

Bread Wheat x Durum cross Derivatives

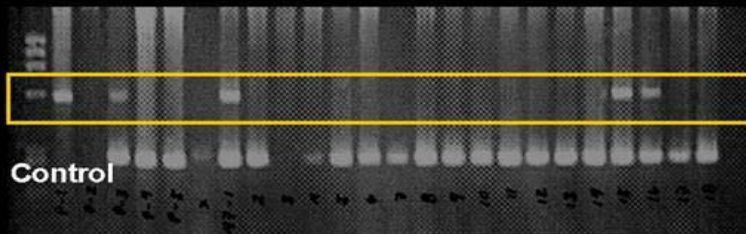
Cre 1



Cre 3



VPM



Molecular markers routinely applied in wheat breeding to incorporate resistance to low heritability traits e.g. CCN and RLN nematodes

QuCim Application

Comparison of two breeding strategies:

Modified pedigree (MODPED)

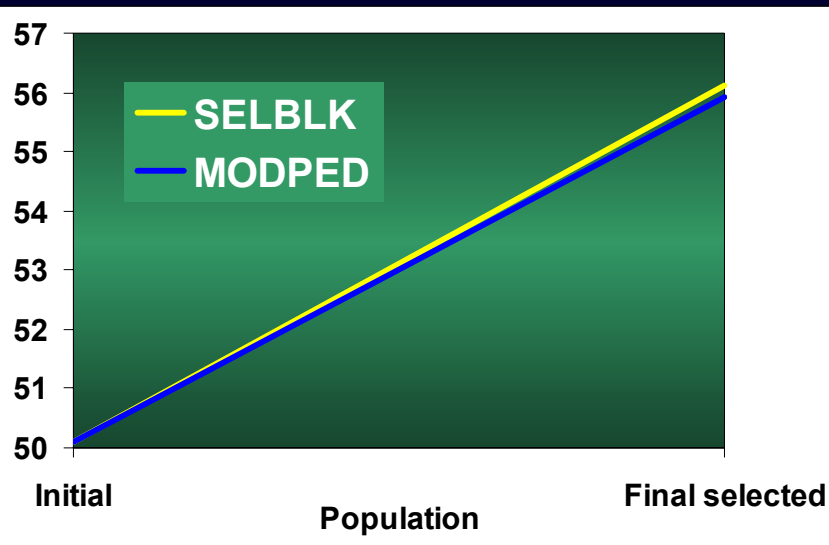
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Selected bulk (SELBLK)

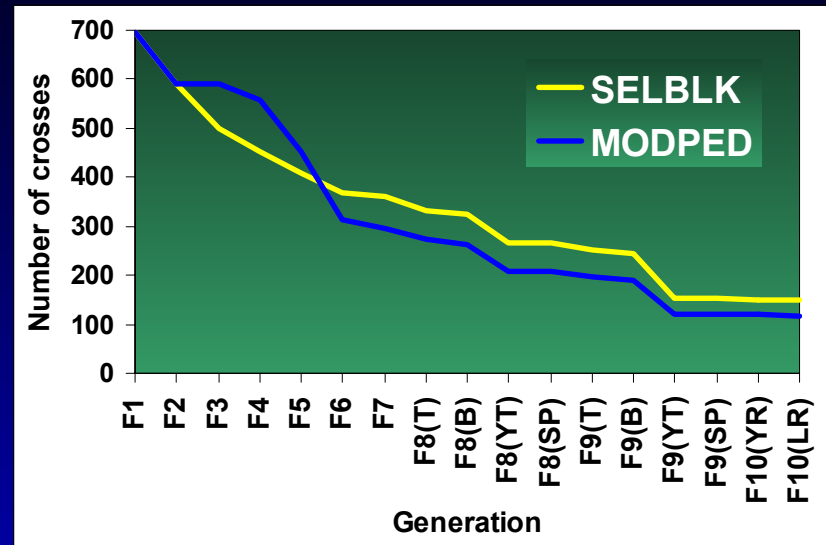
Criteria for comparing breeding methods

- **Genetic gain**, measured by the change in mean genotypic value in the population before and after selection
- **Genetic diversity in final selected population**, measured by the number of crosses retained
- **Economics**, measured by
 - Number of plants in a breeding cycle: how much land will be used?
 - Number of families in a breeding cycle: how much time and labor will be spent in preparing seed bags?

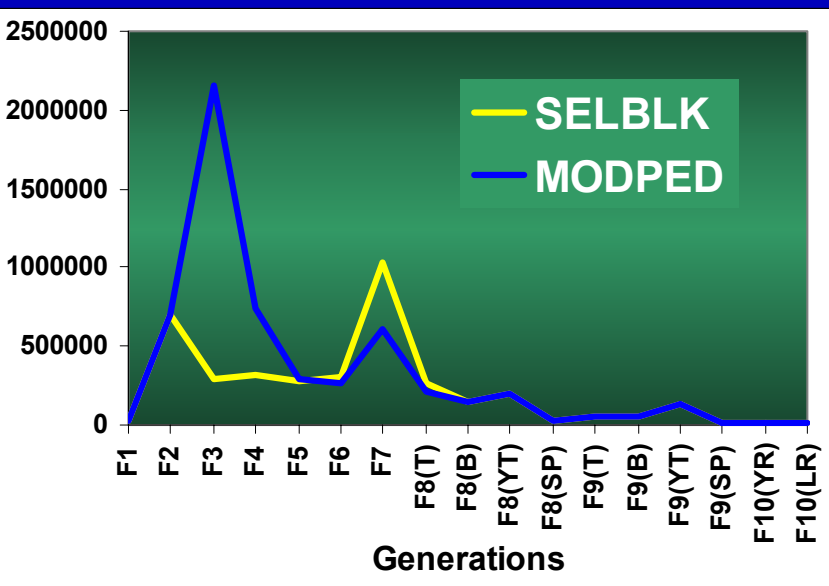
Genetic gain in yield from SELBLK is 3.3% higher than MODPED



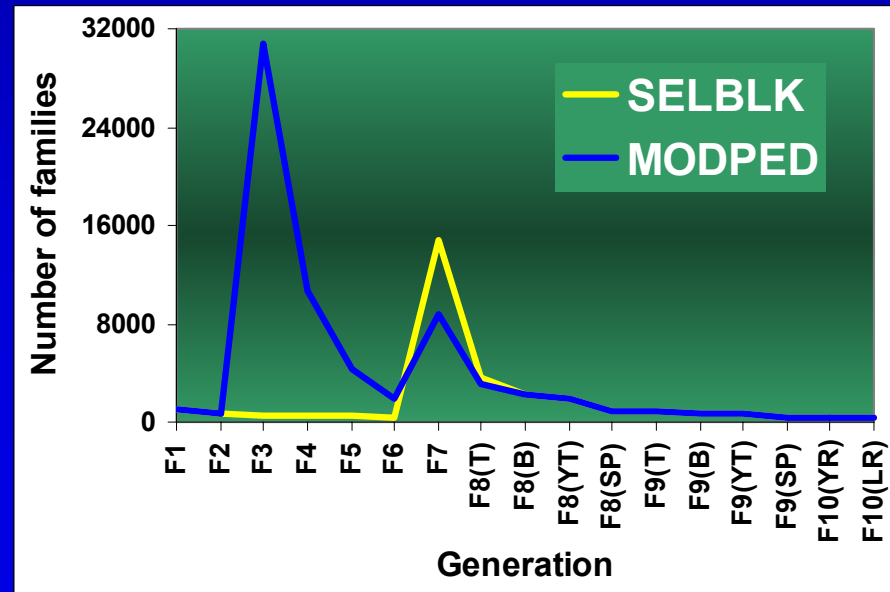
SELBLK retained 25% more crosses in the final selected population



SELBLK required 1/3 less land from F1 to F8 than MODPED



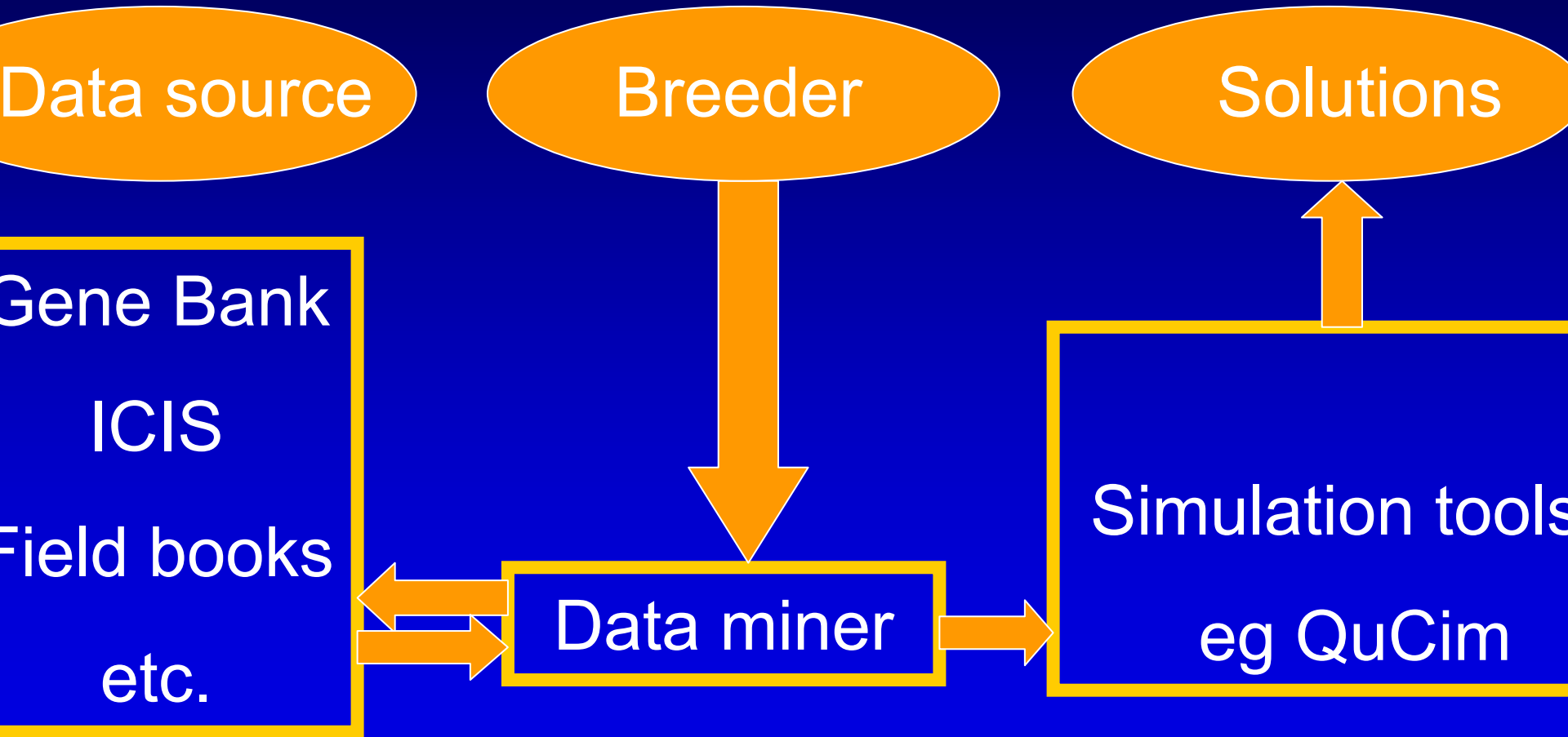
SELBLK produced 40% less families to be planted from F1 to F8



High Fe and Zn grain concentration

- Zn: 10 genes; 5 explaining more than 10%; cost / marker 1\$
Fe: 7 genes; 4 explain more than 10% cost / marker 1 \$
- Optimum crossing and selection method considering costs for MAS
- Crossing: F2- derived, BC1, BC2 BC3
- Selection: Phenotype followed by grain analysis
Phenotype followed by MAS
Phenotype followed by grain analysis and MAS
- Correlation Fe : Zn 0.5

An integrated decision-supported system for breeding



A wide-angle photograph of a vast field of red poppies and purple flowers in a rolling landscape. The foreground is filled with a dense carpet of red poppies and purple flowers, interspersed with green grass. The middle ground shows a long, low ridge of red poppies stretching across the horizon. The background consists of rolling hills with patches of green grass and bare, light-colored soil under a clear blue sky.

Thank You