

# Management of oat Germplasm in China

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# Introduction

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- Oat is a traditional crop in China
    - Over 2000 years
    - Naked type, called Youmai, or Lingdangmai
  - Oat is a minor crop in China
    - About 0.5 million ha. annually,
    - Consumed locally in the past, but now nationally
  - Oat is considered as health food
    - Reducing blood fat, sugar and cholesterols
    - Prevent from diabetes and other diseases
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- Oat plays a very important role in the dry and high altitude areas

- Food and nutrition supply
- Income generation
- Adaptation to climate change

- Naked type is a native of China

- Large grain, more florets and seed set, early maturity, strong resistance to drought and tolerance to poor soils
  - Thresh easily
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# Oat accessions

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- Over 3550 accessions are conserved in genebank, which is located at CAAS
    - 1,800 accessions of naked oats
    - 1,700 accessions of hulled oats
    - 50 accessions of wild species
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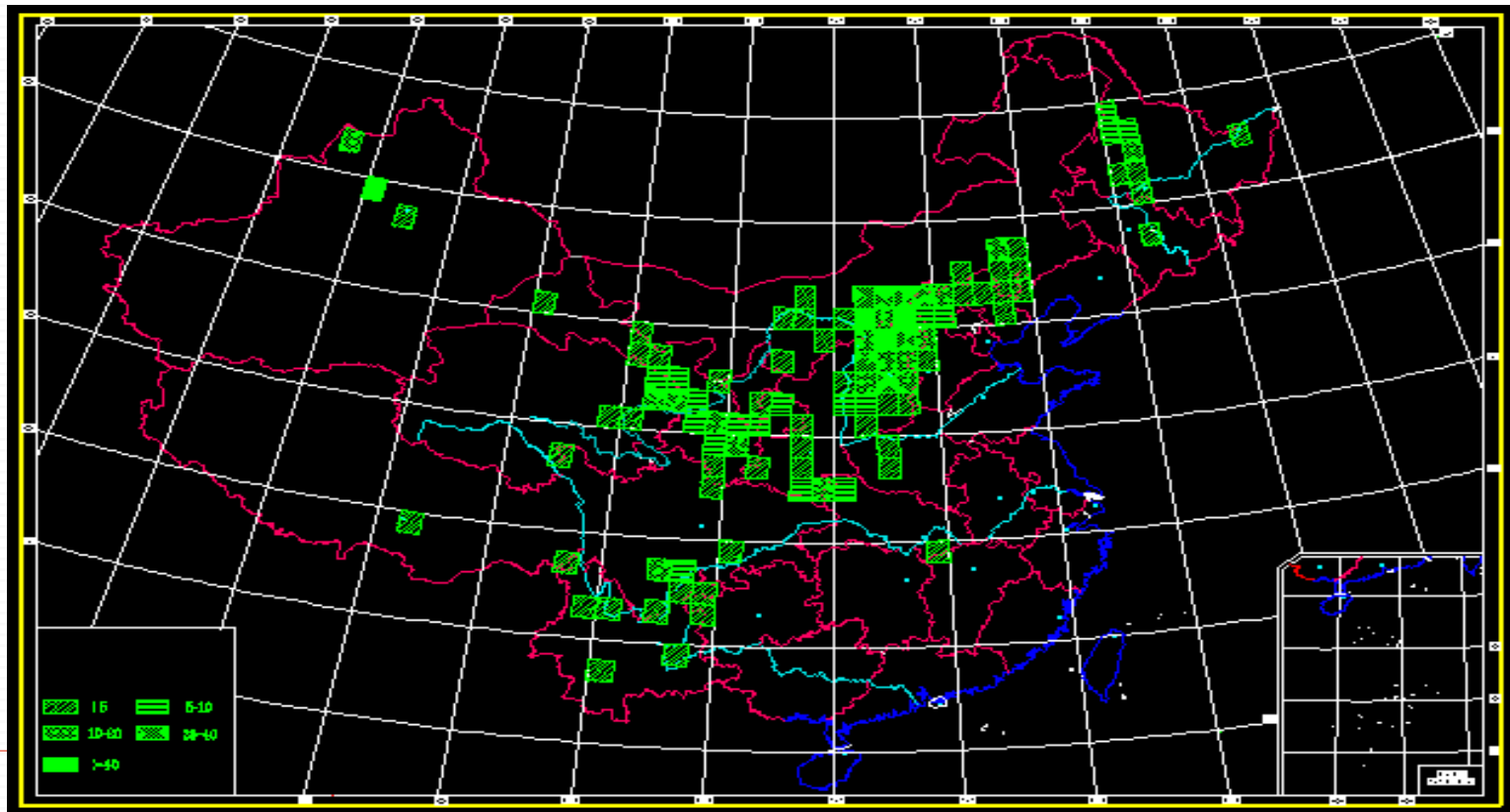
# Types of materials

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- Landraces, over 80%
    - Traditional, diversified, rich diversity
  - Cultivars, 3%
    - High yield, strong resistance, uniformity
  - Advanced lines, 15%
    - With special characteristics
  - Wild materials, 1.4%
    - Resistance to diseases, rich diversity
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# Geographic origins

- Domestic origin: more than 20 provinces, mainly from Gansu, Hebei, Inner Mongolia, Ningxia, Qinghai, Shanxi, Shaanxi, Sichuan





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## Foreign origins :

- America : Argentina, Canada, USA, Chile
  - Oceania : Australia, New Zeland
  - Asia : Pakistan, Japan, Turkey, Israel
  - Europe :
    - ❑ Germany, France, Belgium, Netherland, Swiss, Hungary, U.K.
    - ❑ Bulgaria, Czech, Romania, Russia
    - ❑ Denmark, Sweden, Finland
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# Biological characteristics

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- Winterness-Springness
    - Springness (>70%), Weak springness(20%), Winterness(<10%)
  - Maturity
    - Very early (70 days), Very late (120 days)
  - Seedling habits
    - Erect (51%), semi-erect(26%), Prostrate(23%)
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# Morphological traits

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- Plant heights:
    - Range from 50cm to 175cm, average 108.2cm
  - Panicle length
    - Range from 12.5 cm to 32 cm, average 20.4 cm
  - Seed weight (1000 seeds)
    - Range from 11g – 40g, average 22.8g
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# Resistance to bio- & abiotic stresses

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- Smut is an important disease in naked oat, partly evaluated
    - Resistant 63%
    - Susceptive 37%
  - Salt tolerance, partly evaluated at germination stage, among 278 naked types evaluated
    - 17 accessions highly salt tolerant
    - 114 accessions tolerant
    - 106 accessions were moderate tolerant
    - 25 accessions susceptible and
    - 16 accessions highly susceptible.
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# Chemical components

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- Protein content:
    - Range from 8.71%-19.9%, average 14.9%
  - Fat content:
    - Range from 3.44% - 9.82%, average
  - $\beta$ -glucan content:
    - Range from 2% - 7.5%, in total 1010 accessions, 67 accession <3%, 866 accessions between 3% and 4.9%, 75% accessions >4.9%
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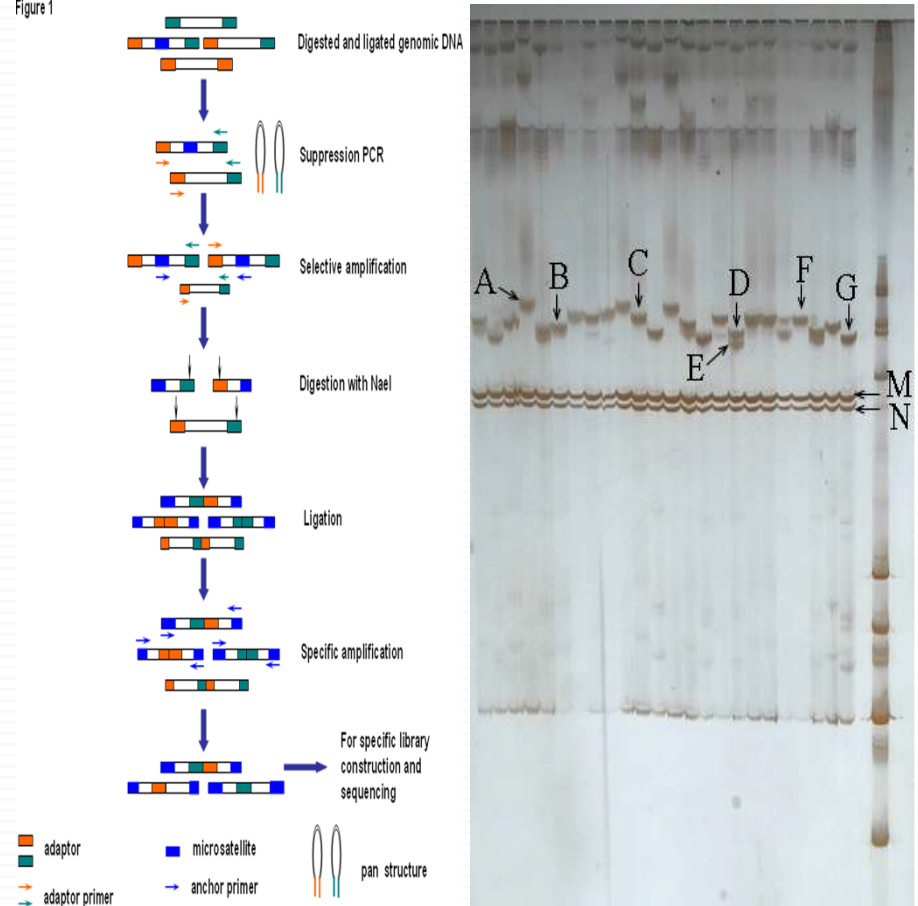
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# SSR development

- Developed a quick methods for SSR identification
- DNA sequences flanking microsatellites can be isolated rapidly on a large scale.
- The approach selectively amplifies microsatellite-containing sequences and recombines the amplicons by redigestion and ligation

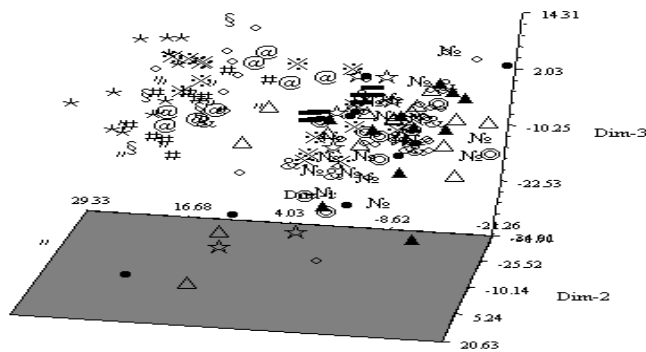
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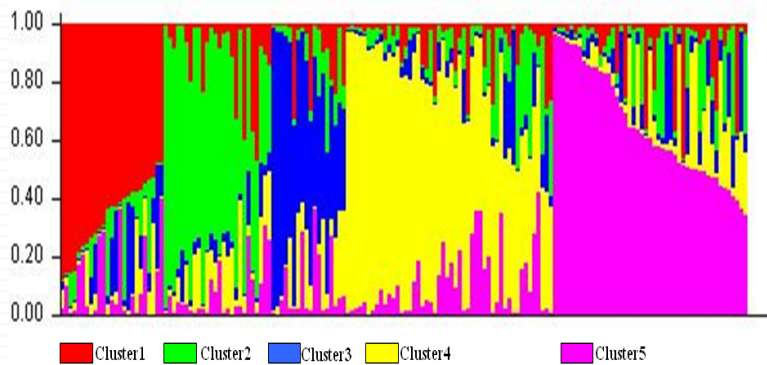


# Genetic diversity analysis of oat germplasm

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**Three dimension distribution**



**Genetic structure of population**



**Cluster analysis of oat germplasm**

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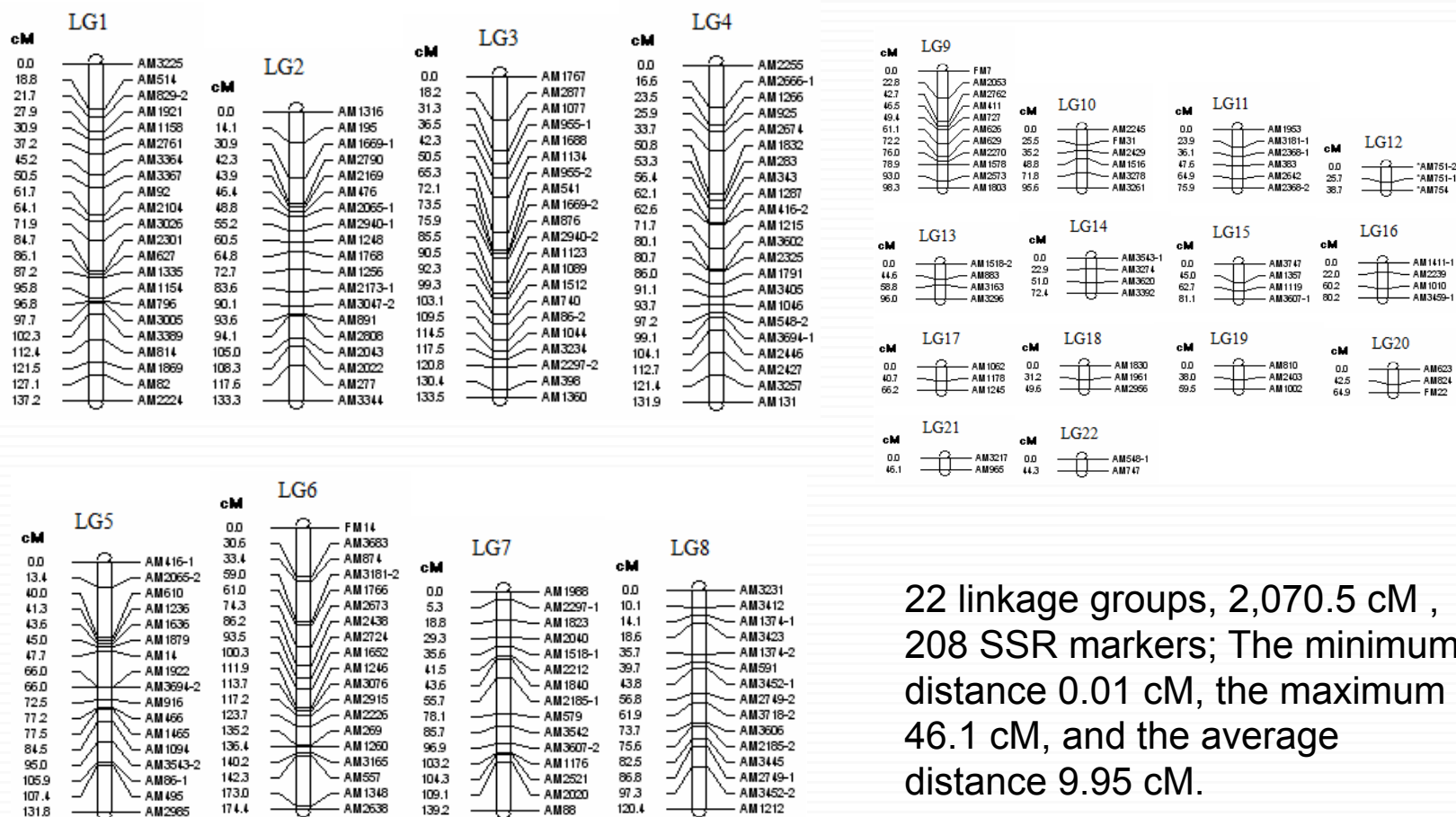
# Developing mapping populations

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- RIL5 from “578” x “Sanfensan”
- RIL6 from “Xiayoumai” x “Chi38”



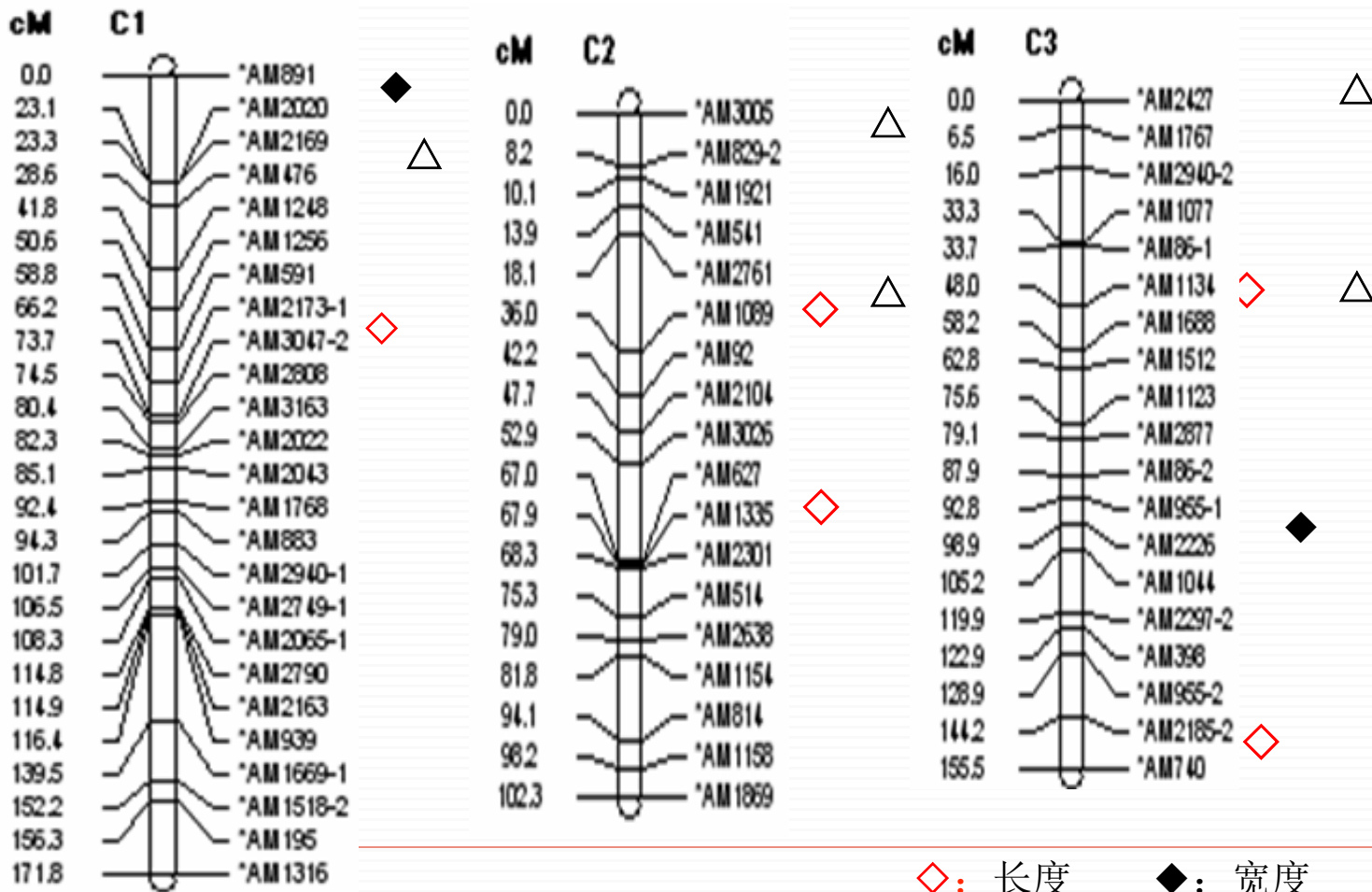
# Constructing linkage groups



22 linkage groups, 2,070.5 cM ,  
 208 SSR markers; The minimum  
 distance 0.01 cM, the maximum  
 46.1 cM, and the average  
 distance 9.95 cM.

# Mapping QTLs for important traits

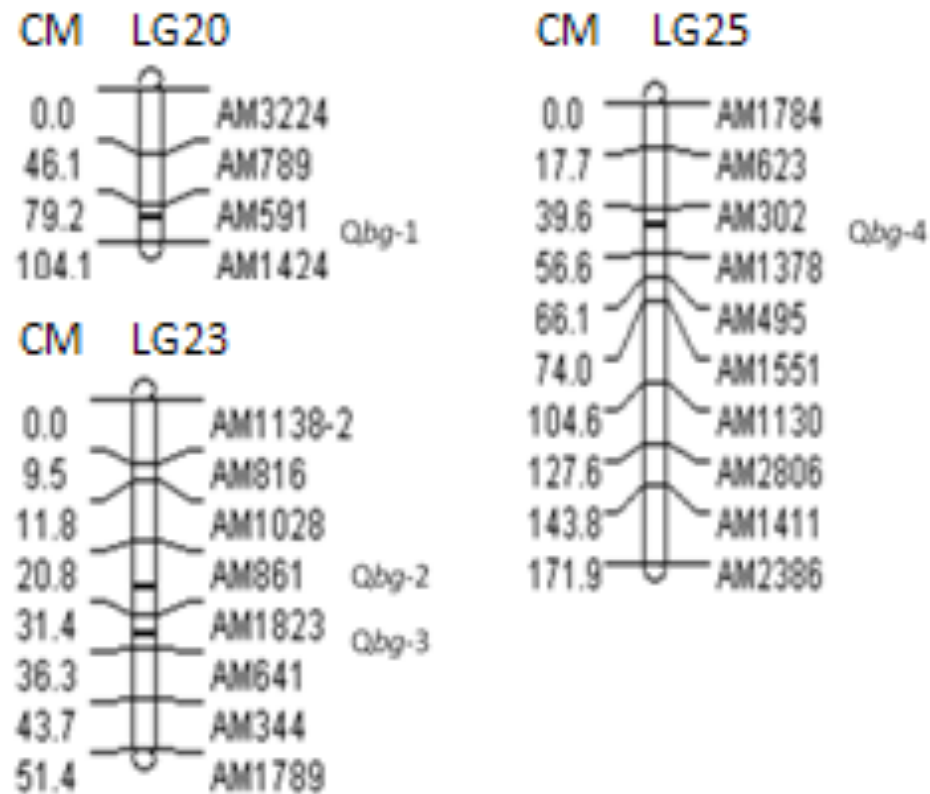
- Grain length, width and weight



◇: 长度    ◆: 宽度  
○: 长宽比    △: 千

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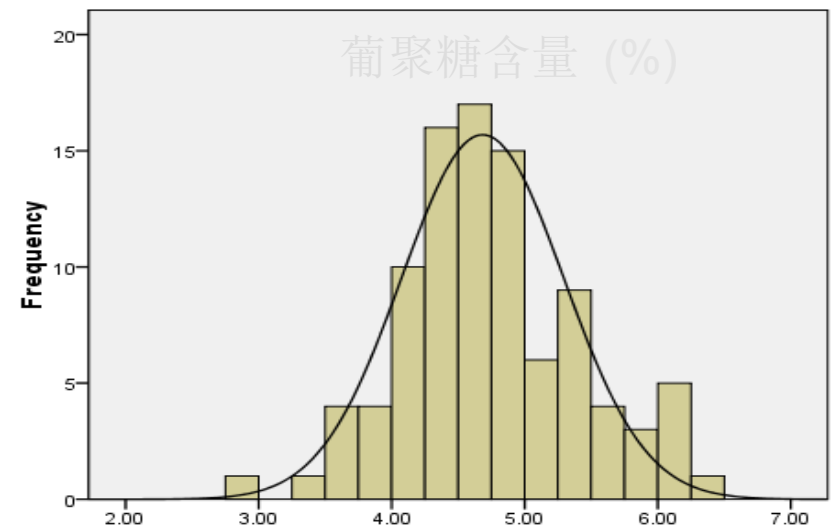
- $\beta$ -glucan content



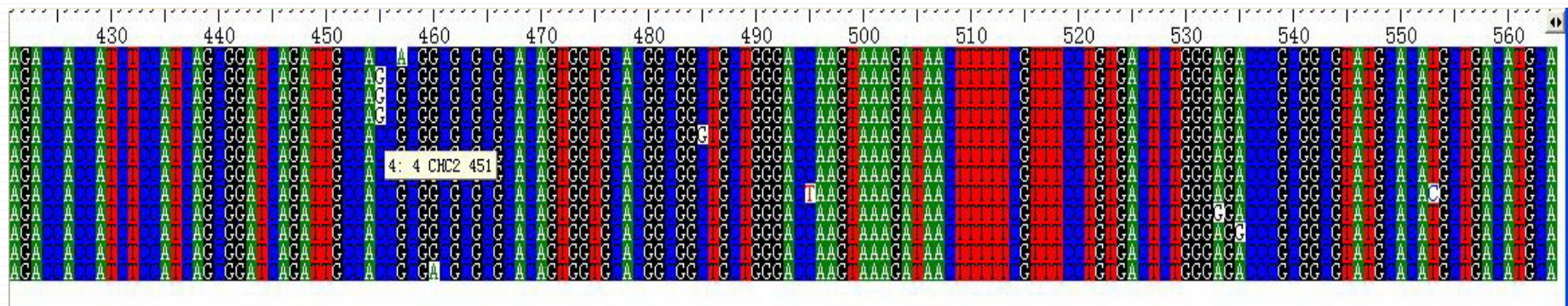
# CSLH gene diversity and identification of associated marker

Identified 1 SNP associated with  $\beta$ -glucan content, additive effective value 0.28

SNP	CC(78%)	CG(5%)	GG(17%)	A2	D3	P value
Glucan content	4.88±0.61	4.44±0.47	4.33±0.68	0.28	-0.17	0.003



$\beta$ -glucan content in Chinese oat germplasm

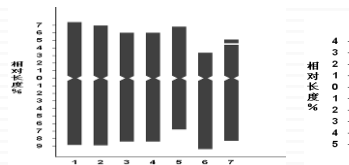
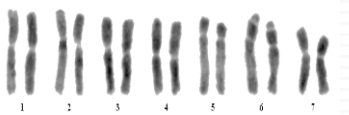
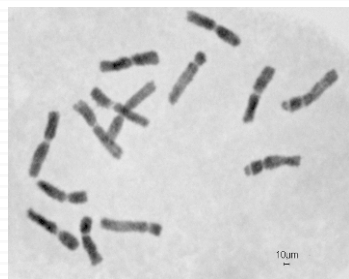


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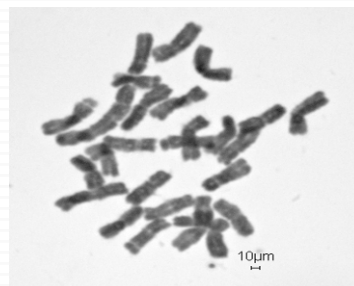
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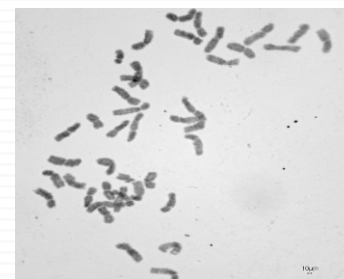
# Cytological identification



Diploid

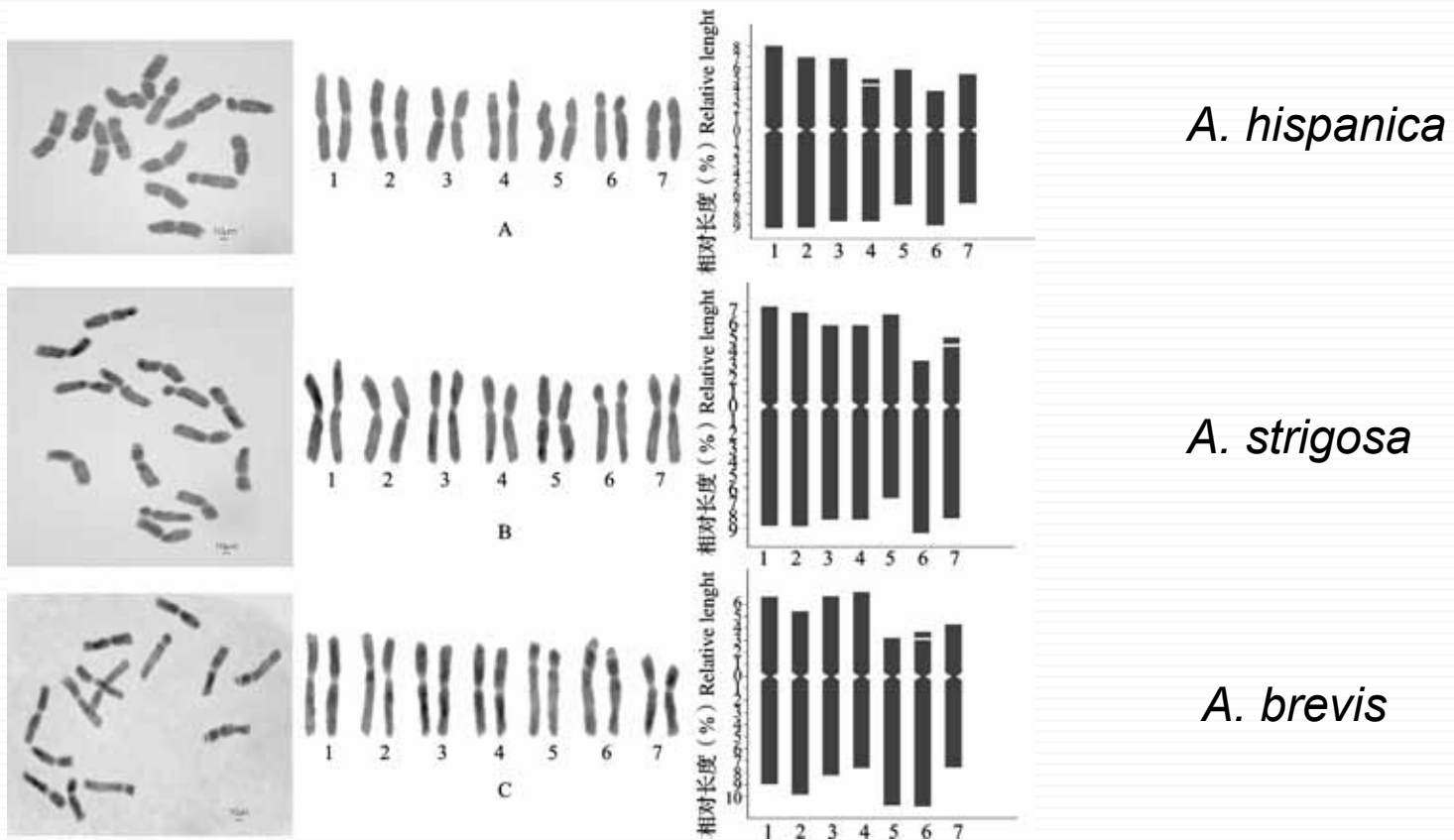


Tetraploid



Hexaploid



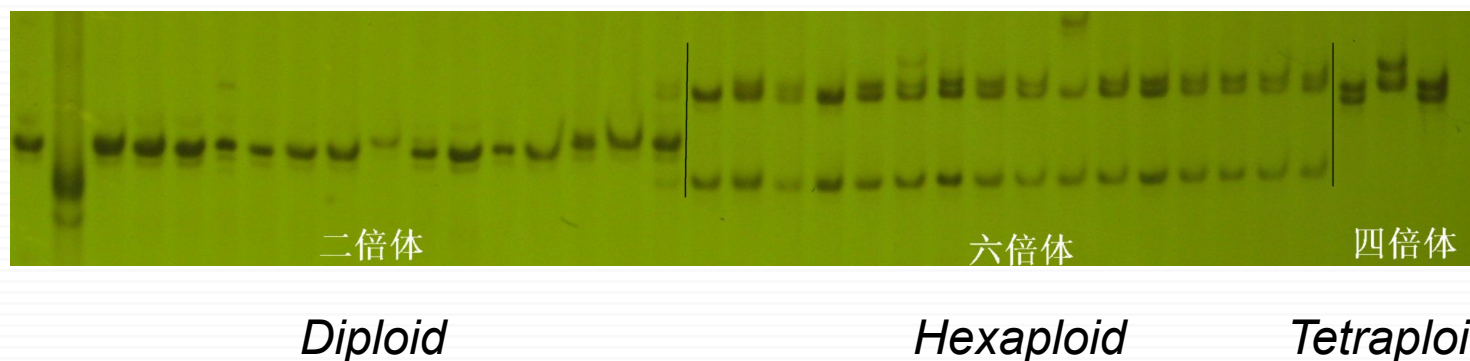


Chromosomes shape(left),karyotype and karyotype pattern(right) of 3 diploid oat species

# Molecular identification

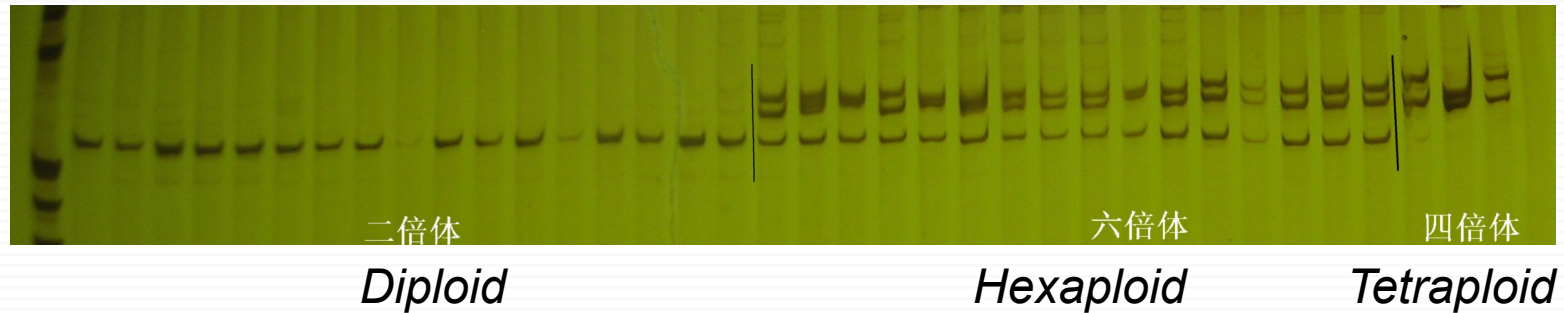
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- Identified 3 SSR markers associated with ploidy of oat species



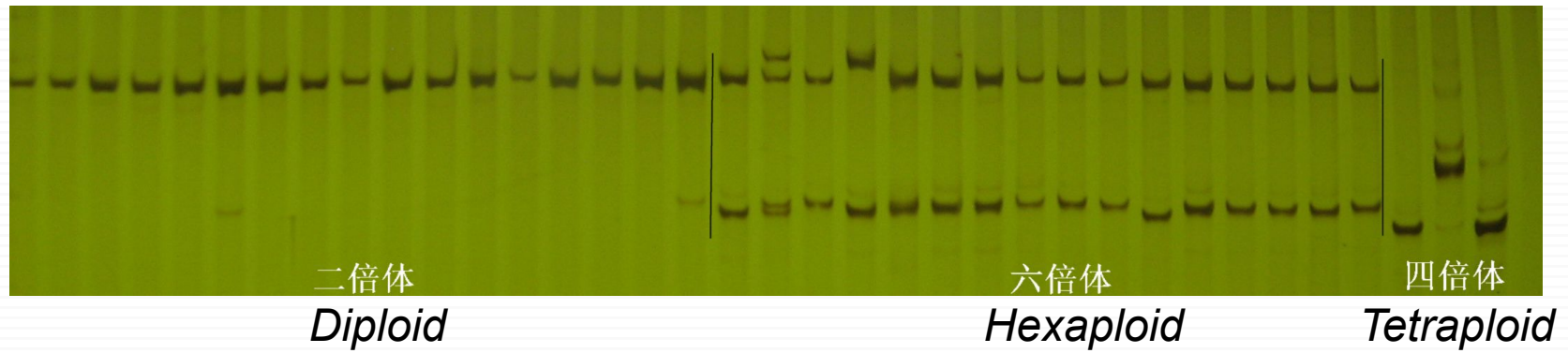
Band pattern of Primer **AM63** on different ploidy of oat

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Band pattern of Primer **AM447** on different ploidy of oat

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Band pattern of Primer **AM1403** on different ploidy of oat

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- Multiplication trials for climate change
  - Resistance to biotic and abiotic stresses
  - Comparison study of linkage groups
  - Genotyping by sequencing
  - Contributing to CORE project
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