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נושא: יצירת אוכלוסיית קוים איזוגנים של פלפל למיפוי יעיל של גנים המבקרים את הגדול בבתי-צמיחה

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מטרת המחקר: יצירת אוכלוסייה של קוי אינטרוגרסיה של פלפל. קוים אלו מכילים מקטע אשר מאופיין בעזרת סמנים מולקולריים שמקורו ממין הבר של פלפל (*CAPSICUM CHINENSE*). אוכלוסיית הקוים מהווה סדרה שבה מקטעים שונים ממין הבר מוחדרים לקו בעל רקע תרבותי אחיד ובסה"כ כל גנום מין הבר מיוצג באוכלוסייה. אוכלוסייה זו מהווה משאב תמידי למיפוי (QTL) מולקולרי בפלפל וכמו כן מהווה כלי יעיל לזיהוי גנים המבקרים תכונות כמותיות הקשורות לאיכות ויבול הפרי.

מהלך העבודה: יצירת האוכלוסייה נעשתה ע"י סדרת הכלאות דחיקה מלאות BC3F2 לאחר דור, ובסלקציה לאזורים גנומים מסוימים, על סמך סמני AFLP ו-RFLP. 83% האוכלוסייה מונה 29 קוים המכילים כל אחד 1-3 אינטרגרסיות ממין הבר שבסה"כ מכסות מהגנום. מבין קוים אלו, 18 מקובעים לאינטרוגרסיה והשאר עדין הטרוזיגוטים לחלק או לכל האינטרוגרסיה. עבור הקוים הבלתי מקובעים ועבור האזורים הבלתי מכוסים בגנום יהיה צורך בהכלאות וסלקציות נוספות להשלמת האוכלוסייה שמופו QTL באוכלוסייה קודמת. אפיון ראשוני של הקוים אפשר לזהות קוים המכילים QTL, דבר המעיד על יעילות האוכלוסייה למיפוי.

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Development of isogenic lines population of pepper for efficient mapping of genes controlling its production

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Abstract

The objective of this proposal was to construct introgression lines (IL) population in pepper. This population consists of lines each carries a defined chromosome region from the pepper wild species *Capsicum chinense* in a uniform genetic background of a bell-type *C. annuum* line. Such population will be used as a permanent mapping population in pepper and for efficient mapping of genes controlling quantitative traits (QTL) related to the crop production. The pepper IL population was constructed by backcrossing and marker assisted selection of chromosome segments from the donor parent. Currently, 29 lines were produced, each with 1-3 introgression that all together cover 83% of the donor genome. Out of the 29 lines, 18 are homozygous for the introgression, while for 11 IL the introgression is partly or completely heterozygous. For these lines and for the reminding 17% of the uncovered genome, further crossing and marker assisted selection will be used in order to develop a full set of introgression lines. Initial phenotypic evaluation of the IL confirmed the location of QTL for several fruit traits that were identified in other studies in pepper.

Background

Several genetic maps have been constructed in pepper in recent years (Lefebvre et al. 1995; Livingstone et al. 1999; Prince et al. 1993). However, the use of these maps to identify quantitative traits loci (QTL) controlling pepper production has been limited due to either low level of polymorphism or sterility of the progenies. Therefore, to date there is a very limited information on the molecular mapping of QTL in pepper. Recently, we mapped 55 QTL for 14 fruit yield and quality traits in an intra-specific F₂ population from a cross of two *Capsicum annuum* lines (Ben Chaim et al. submitted). Although this population was efficient in identifying QTL, further verification, high resolution mapping and QTL introgression has been hindered because of the F₂ population structure and the relative low level of polymorphism between the two parents.

The objective of this proposal was to construct a set of nearly isogenic lines (QTL-NILs) covering the entire genome of pepper, as a tool for precision QTL mapping. Such populations consists of a set of lines, each carrying a single defined chromosome segment originating from a donor exotic genotype in an otherwise uniform elite genetic background. This type of population is an efficient tool for QTL detection and mapping for the following reasons: 1) Wild species contain novel QTLs, with large effects. 2) QTL-NILs reduce the genetic variance that is not associated with the region containing the QTL. 3) QTL-NILs provide a permanent resource that can be tested in multiple conditions and therefore reduce the environmental variance. 4) QTL-NILs can be crossed to different inbreds thereby allowing to test the effect of the QTLs in different genetic backgrounds. 5) QTL-NILs allow the mapping of the effects to small intervals through recombination of a segment containing the QTL into smaller overlapping ones. The usefulness of such lines for the detection and high resolution mapping of QTL was demonstrated in tomato by Eshed and Zamir (1995) and Eshed et al. (1996).

Description of experiments and results

A summary of the steps of the construction of the introgression lines population is presented in Table 1. A BC₁ population of 83 plants was constructed from an inter-specific cross between the *Capsicum chinense* accession PI 152225 and the *C. annuum* blocky type

inbred line PI 156 that was used as a recurrent parent. PI 152225 is characterized by a bushy growth habit and has small pungent fruits that weight 2 grams. PI 156 is a tall plant with very large fruits that weights 150-200 grams. Both fruits have mature red color. DNA was extracted from leaves of the BC1 plants and each plant was backcrossed to PI 156 to produce BC2 progeny. The BC1 map was constructed using AFLP markers developed by Keygene. Ten primer combinations were used to produce a total of 312 scorable bands. Mapping analysis was carried out using JoinMap 2.0 program at a LOD 4.0 for grouping the markers and resulted in 12 linkage groups and 6 unlinked markers.

Graphical genotyping of all the BC1 individuals allowed to calculate the percent recurrent parent genome content and to select plants that have the minimal amount of introgressions from the donor parent that cover its whole genome. The percent recurrent parent genome content in the BC1 population ranged from 87% to 60% and averaged 75% as expected in this generation. Nine BC1 plants each containing several introgressions were selected for further advancing the population.

A total of 180 BC2 plants (20 per each BC1) were planted and fingerprinted with the AFLP. In addition, DNA from 15 BC2 plants from each BC1 individual was pulled and used for RFLP analysis. tomato and pepper RFLP markers were chosen based on the map of Livingstone et al. (1999) to allow representation of all the pepper chromosomes. Ninety two RFLP markers were added to the map and allowed to align the map with that of Livingstone et al. (1999). The addition of the RFLP markers determined that most of the AFLP-based linkage groups in the BC1 map did not represent the whole pepper chromosomes (Figure 1). A sub set of 76 AFLP markers and all the RFLP markers were used to update the linkage map as presented in Figure 1. The map consists of 11 major linkage groups and 2 minor linkage groups that are assigned to chromosome 12 by Livingstone et al. (1999) and spans 2083 cM. Linkage groups 1 corresponds to chromosome 1 and 8 of pepper. This pseudo-linkage is a result of a reciprocal translocation that differentiates the two *Capsicum* species.

The percent recurrent parent genome content in the BC2 population ranged from 99% to 82% and averaged 92% compared to the expected 87.5% in the BC2 generation. Twenty four BC2 plants each containing 1-5 introgressions were selected for further advancing the population by backcrossing to the recurrent parent.

Three hundred and eighty BC3 (8-32 plants per each BC2) were planted and fingerprinted with the AFLP. The percent recurrent parent genome content in the BC3 population ranged from 100% to 93% and averaged 98% compared to the expected 94% in the BC3 generation. Fifty BC3 plants each containing 1-3 introgressions were selected for fixation of the introgressed regions by selfing.

Seven hundred and fifty BC3F2 plants were planted and fingerprinted with the AFLP and RFLP markers in the introgressed regions. A total of 29 introgression lines were obtained that all together cover 83% of the genome (Table 2). From these lines, only 18 were homozygous for the introgressed region, while the other 11 lines were partly or fully heterozygous.

Conclusions

Our inability to recover introgression lines that cover the entire donor genome resulted from two main reasons. First, BC1- BC3 selections were based on AFLP markers that, subsequently, have been determined to represent only partially the genome. Therefore, parts of the pepper chromosomes were not included in the initial selections. Second, selected plants were often sterile or produced non viable seeds. For several introgressed regions, BC3F2 plants homozygous for the introgression were sterile, and therefore, only heterozygous introgressions were obtained. In order to obtain introgression lines for the uncovered regions additional crossing and selection is required. For the remaining heterozygous regions additional selfing and selection will be performed. If sterility will be continued, these introgressions will be maintained as heterozygous regions.

Phenotypic evaluation of individual BC3F2 plants revealed some correspondence with fruit QTL identified in a different pepper mapping population (Ben Chaim et al. submitted). For example, plants with introgressions containing markers that correspond to fruit shape QTL in chromosome 3, 8 and 10 identified by Ben Chaim et al. had fruit shape that varied from that of the recurrent parent. This initial evaluation reveals the usefulness of the IL as a tool for QTL detection in pepper. Full scale phenotypic evaluation of the introgression lines will be carried out after more lines will be fixed and full genome coverage will be obtained. IL for selected QTL will be further used for high resolution mapping of the QTL and for introgressing the QTL to additional genetic backgrounds.

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Figure 1. Genetic map and introgression lines derived from a cross of *Capsicum annuum* x *C. chinense*. Marker types are tomato clones for RFLP (TG, CT and CD), pepper RFLP clones

(PG). AFLP markers are presented as the primer combination followed by the size of the mapped fragment. EF is a pepper RFLP obtained from Dr. U. Bonas (Martin Luther University, Germany). ZDS, EPOXY, PDS, PSY, GGPPS are genes from the carotenoids biosynthesis pathway. Q6 and O12 are RAPD markers. pFK2 is potato fructokinase cDNA obtained from Dr. D. Granot, The Volcani Institute, Israel. Distances in cM are to the left of each linkage group. Linkage groups are numbered according to the map of Livingstone et al. (1999). Introgressions are presented as thin bars (homozygous) or dashed bar (heterozygous) to the right of the linkage group. Thick bars represent AFLP-based linkage groups.

Table 1. Steps in the development of pepper introgression lines

83 BC1 plants

- 10 AFLP primer combinations
- 312 AFLP markers in 12 linkage groups
- 6 markers unlinked
- Average % recurrent parent genome: 75%
- 9 BC1 plants selected

180 BC2 (20 per each BC1 plant)

- Addition of 92 RFLP to the map
- Total map length: 2083 cM
- Average % recurrent parent genome: 92%
- 24 BC2 selected with 1-5 introgressions

380 BC3 (8-32 per each BC2)

- Average % recurrent parent genome: 98%
- 50 BC3 selected with 1-3 introgressions

750 BC3F2 (10-30 per each BC3)

- 29 introgression lines that cover 83% of the genome
- 18 lines are fixed for the introgressed region
- 11 lines are heterozygous for the introgressed region

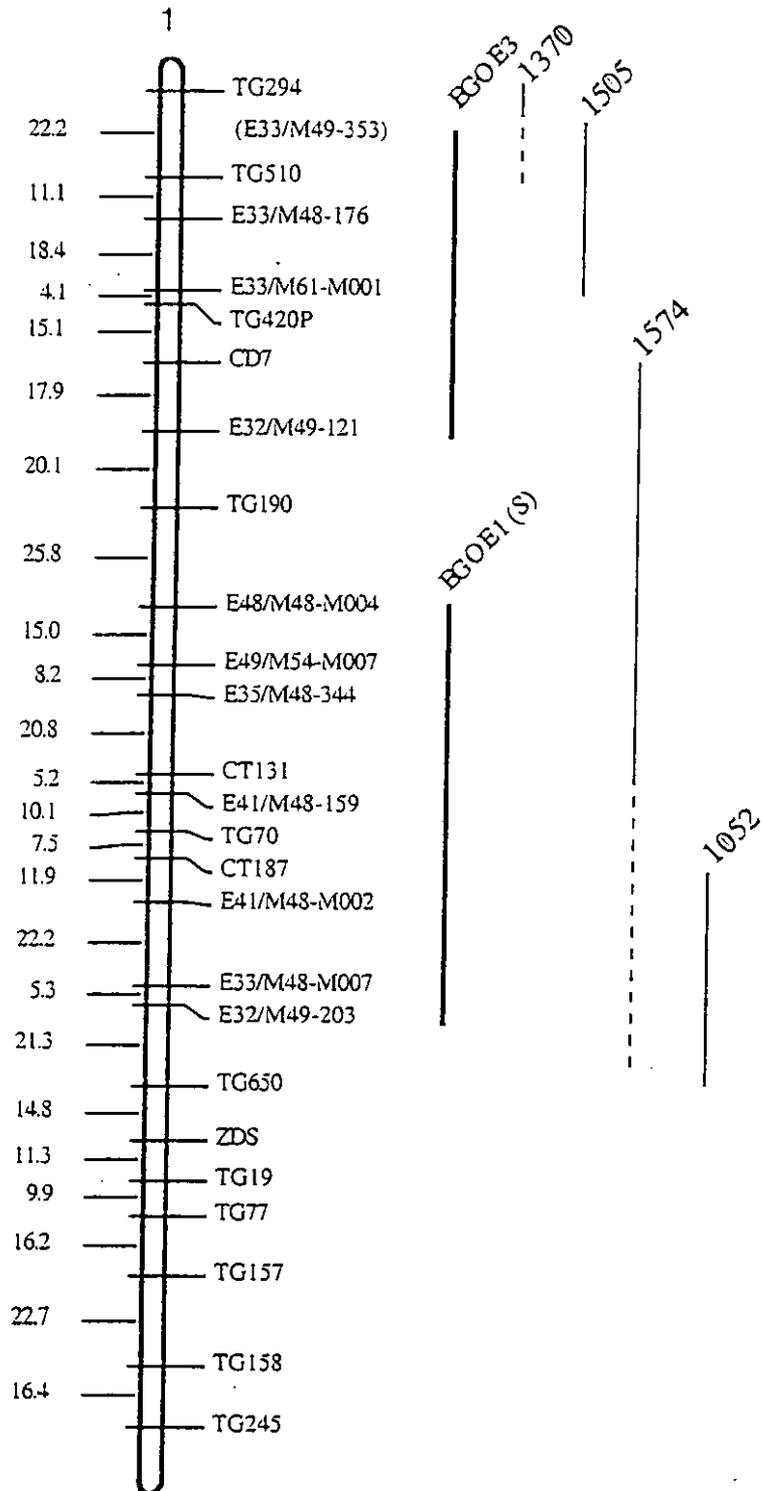
Table 2. Summary of pepper introgression lines

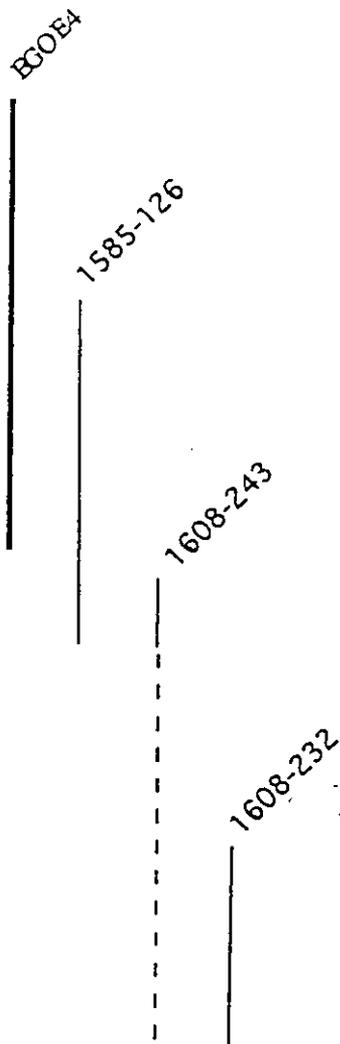
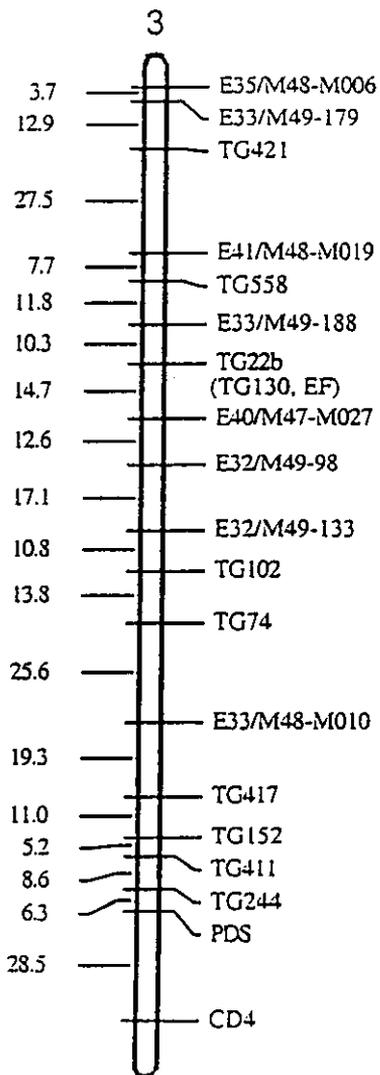
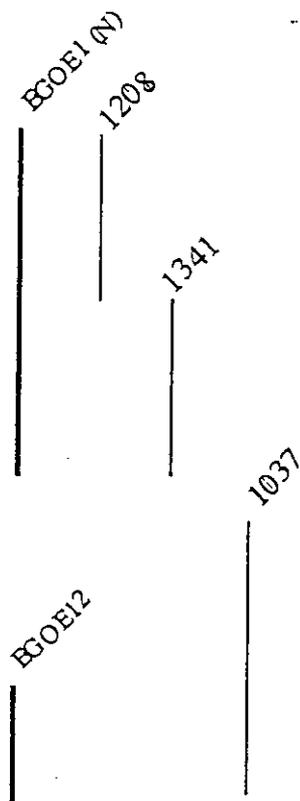
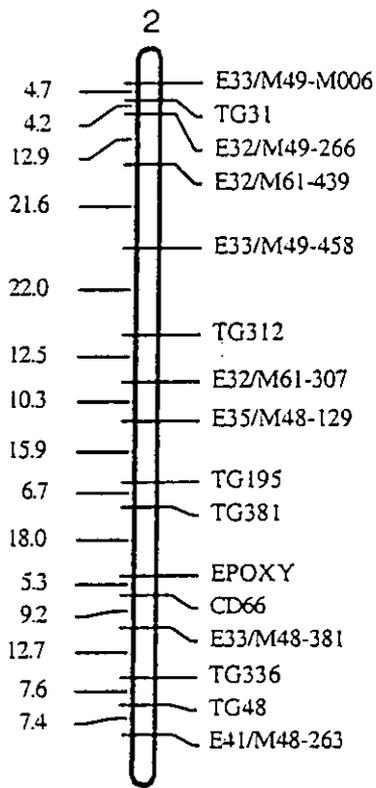
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							1505	E33/M49-253: E33/M61-M001	TG650	(4) TG587, (9) CD32	(12) TG381-CD66				
												1574	CD7: CT131		
2	1208	E33/M49-M006: E33/M49-458	TG105: TG36	(6) PG159	(13) Tg53, (3) E35/M49-M006: E33/M49-179	Check TG19, TG157									
							1341	E33/M49-458: E35/M48-129	TG105: TG36						
												1037	TG195: E41/M48-263		
3	1608-243	TG102: TG74	TG74: CD4	(6) CT184: CD25	(6) CT184: CD25										
							1608-232	TG417: CD4	(4) E33/M49-M014	(6)) CT184: CD25					
											1024	TG135: E33/M61-M005	(5) TG419, (6) CT184, (7) CT114		
															1135
4	1315	E33/M61-335: TG587	E33/M49-M014	(5) CD74, (12) TG516, (UL) TG53	(5) CD74, (12) TG516, (UL) TG53										
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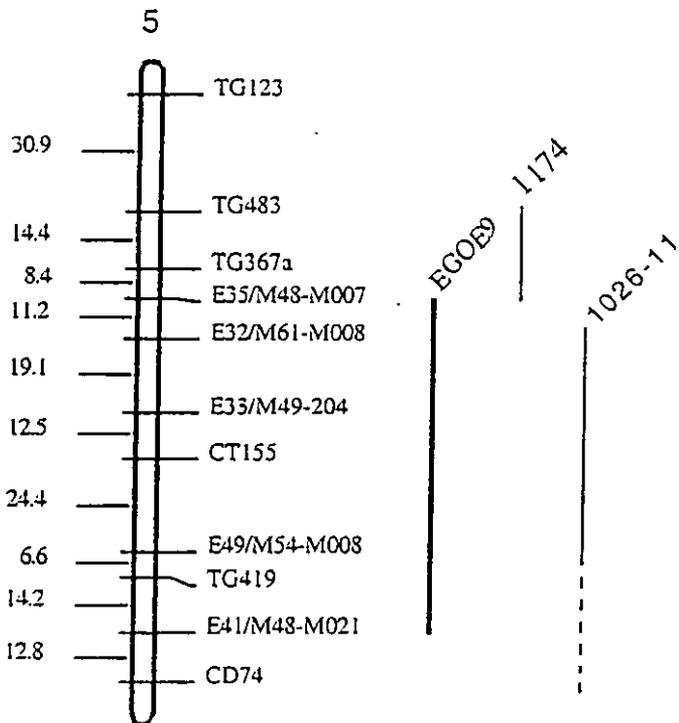
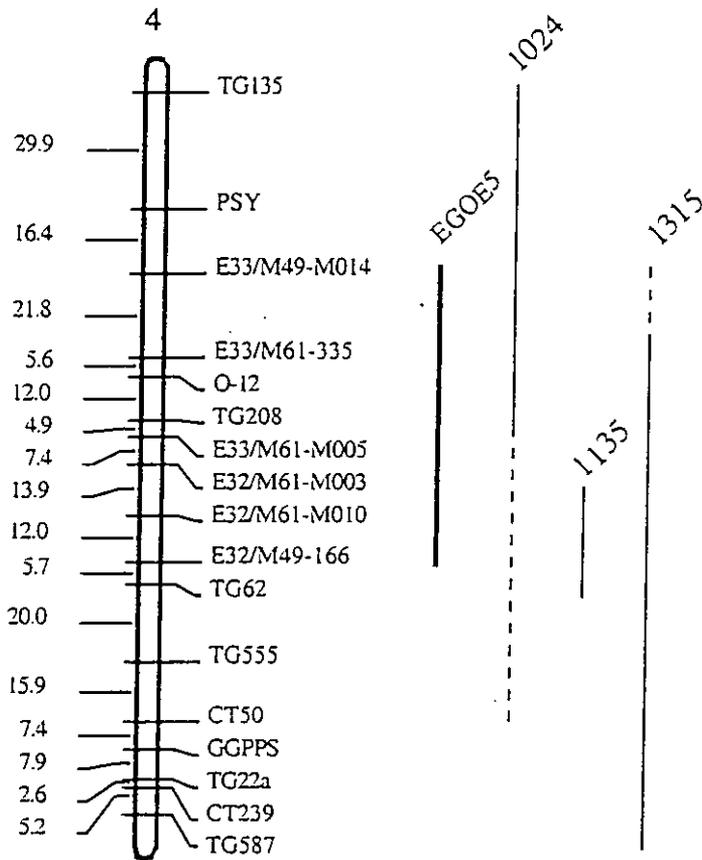
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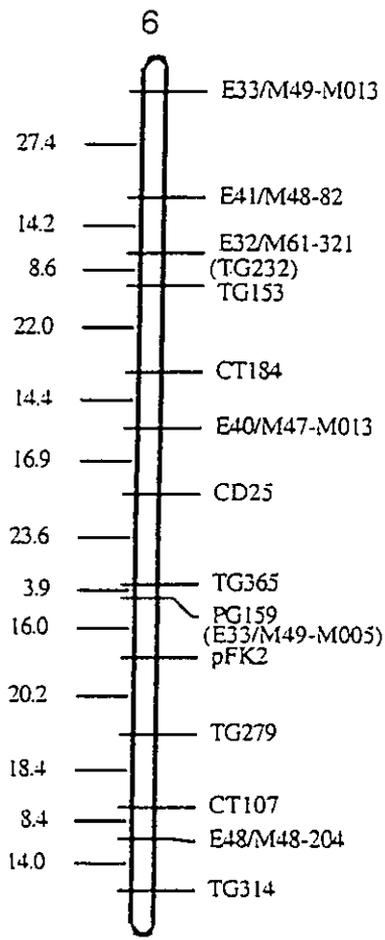
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12	1070 TG194: CT168 1625- 248 TG557: TG516 1535 E33/M48-261: E48/M48-308	CT168: TG557	(2) E33/M49-458: E35/M48-129 (7) E33/M49-M004	(13) TG53, (3) E35/M48-M006: E33/M49-179 (4) CT239: TG587 (4) TG62	Check TG421, TG558 Check TG216, CT114	
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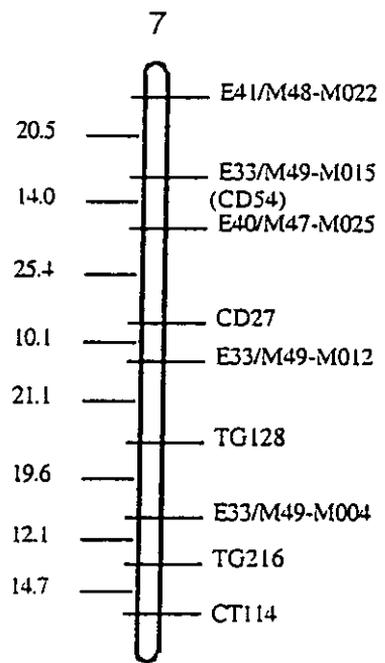






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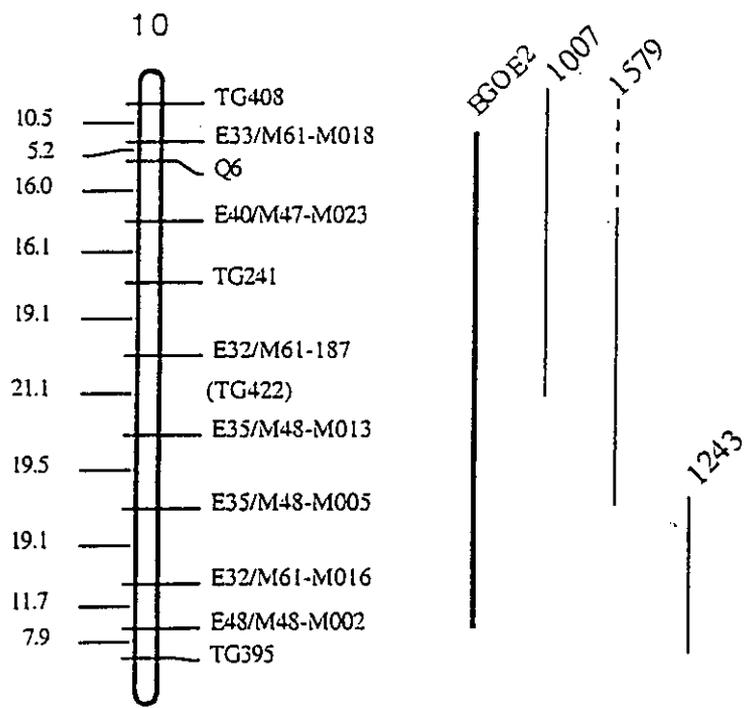
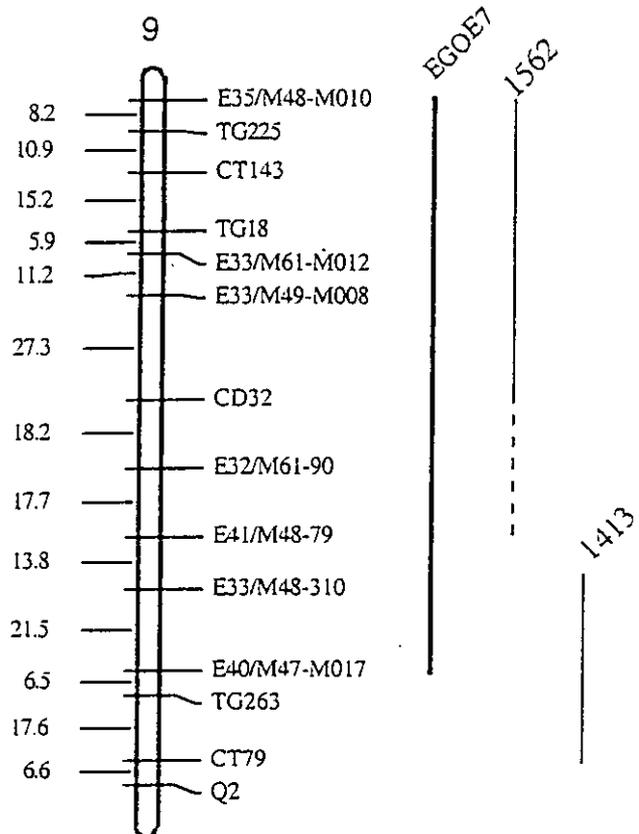


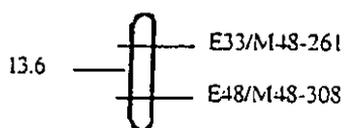
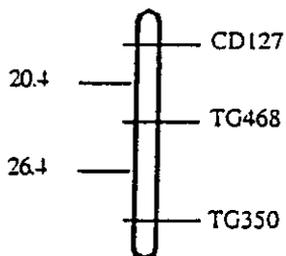
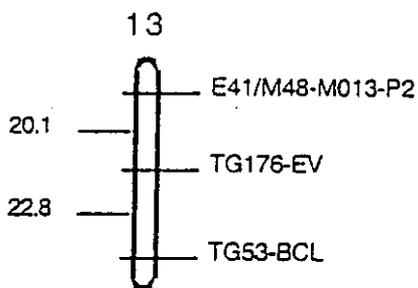
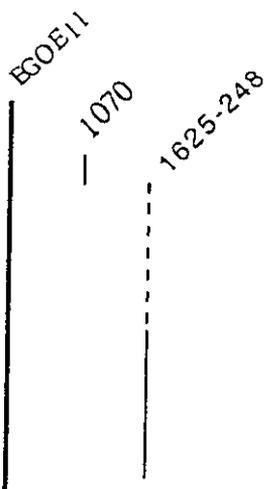
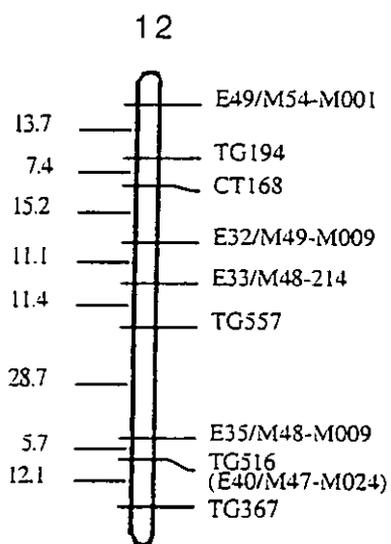
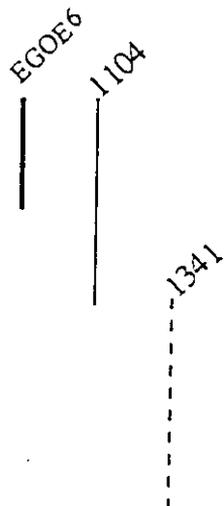
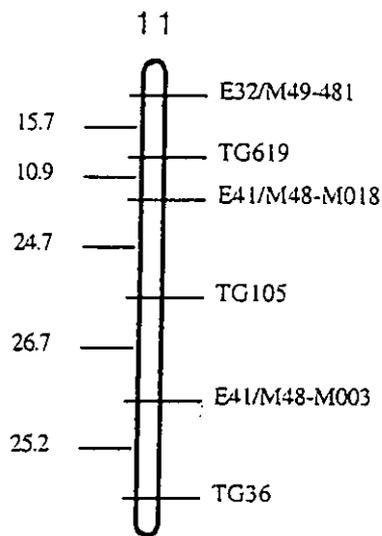
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סיכום עם שאלות מנחות

1. מטרות המחקר:

יצירת אוכלוסיית קוי אינטרוגרסיה של פלפל המכילים מקטעים מוגדרים ע"י סמנים מולקולריים ממין בר של פלפל C. chinense ברקע אחיד של פלפל תרבותי.

2. עיקרי הניסויים והתוצאות:

לאחר סדרת הכלאות דחיקה, יצירת מפה מולקולרית של פלפל וסלקציות המבוססות על סמנים מולקולריים לאינטרוגרסיות ממין הבר. נוצרו 29 קוים המכסים 83% מגנום מין הבר.

3. המסקנות המדעיות וההשלכות:

בעיות פוריות בצאצאים הומוזיגוטים לאלל הבר וסלקציה המבוססות על סמני AFLP המכסים את הגנום באופן חלקי לא אפשרו קבלת סט מלא של קוים הומוזיגוטים המכסים את כל הגנום. הערכה פנוטיפית וגנטית של הקוים איפשרה זיהוי קוים המכילים QTL לתכונות פרי.

4. הבעיות שנתרו לפתרון:

מאחר וחלק מהקוים עדיין הטרוזיגוטים וכמו כן 17% של גנום מין הבר אינו מיוצג באוכלוסייה, יש צורך בהכלאות נוספות וסלקציות להשלים את יצירת קוי האינטרוגרסיה.

5. הפצת הידע:

עד כה נמצא מאמר אחד בהכנה וכמו כן תוצאות העבודה הוצגו בכנס מדעי - ראה פרוט בדו"ח המצורף.