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## GENERAL ABSTRACT

The aim of this thesis was to identify molecular markers associated to tolerance to biotic and abiotic stresses in sugar beet. Sugar beet is one of the world's most important crops currently supplying around $20 \%$ of the sugar consumed worldwide. The crop is damaged by many adverse environmental conditions and the development of varieties that require fewer technical inputs for cultivation is one of the main research demands. To achieve this, sugar beet breeding is focusing on genetic improvement programs assisted by molecular markers. These methods are making selection procedures more rapid, accurate and less expensive. The development of a large set of SNP markers can facilitate the identification and exploitation of genes affecting important traits, such as resistance to biotic and abiotic stresses. Several techniques are used to enable SNP marker discovery in plants. Among these, the Restriction-site Associated DNA (RAD) technique is widely used. The RAD technique is based on acquiring and characterizing the genomic regions adjacent to a set of specific restriction enzyme recognition sites. Bulk Segregant Analysis (BSA) is a method to identify DNA markers linked to genes or genomic regions of interest. DNA samples from individuals showing contrasting phenotype are compared with a large set of molecular markers to select those linked to the trait of interest.

The first part of the thesis presents a panel of 192 SNPs for effective sugar beet genetic diversity assessment using a recently released platform (QuantStudio 12K Flex system coupled with Taqman OpenArray technology) that has key elements required for highthroughput SNP genotyping.

In the second part, the 192 SNPs were used to assess the phylogenetic relationship between Rizor and Holly (Rz1) resistance sources. The molecular results demonstrate that the resistances to rhizomania used by farmers over the last 30 years derived from sea beet collected in the Po River Delta. Analysis of molecular variance and principal coordinate analysis confirmed that Rizor and Rz1 couldn't be distinguished as separate sources of resistance.

In the third part, a marker linked to the first nematode tolerance gene (HsBvm-l) from Beta vulgaris ssp. maritima valuable for high-throughput marker-assisted selection was identified and mapped on chromosome 5.

The fourth and fifth parts focus on resistance to abiotic stresses that compromise sugar production. Premature flowering or bolting, due to cold temperatures in early spring, is an
undesirable characteristic that causes severe sugar yield losses and interferes with harvesting. A new locus involved in the genetic determination of bolting tendency was studied and a SNP marker associated with bolting tendency was found on chromosome 6. SNP location on the sugar beet genome confirms the association with flowering since it was mapped in a matrix metalloproteinase gene that causes late flowering and early senescence in Arabidopsis thaliana. Given the close and positive relationships between yield and root morpho-physiological traits, a BSA was conducted to identify a SNP marker linked to root elongation rate in sugar beet. SNP10139 was mapped on the peptide transporter gene influencing root elongation in Arabidopsis thaliana.

The result suggests that SNPs developed in these studies could serve as a source for genotyping of sugar beet parental lines and varieties, with relevant impact on breeding program decisions.

## RIASSUNTO GENERALE

Lo scopo della tesi è stato quello di identificare marcatori molecolari associati alla tolleranza a stress biotici e abiotici in barbabietola da zucchero. La barbabietola attualmente produce circa il $20 \%$ dello zucchero mondiale. Uno dei maggiori obiettivi del miglioramento genetico è lo sviluppo di varietà che richiedano un sempre più basso utilizzo di mezzi tecnici per la coltivazione. Per raggiungere questo scopo, il breeding della barbabietola si è focalizzato su programmi di miglioramento genetico assistito da marcatori molecolari. Queste tecniche stanno rendendo la procedura di selezione più rapida, precisa e meno costosa. Lo sviluppo di un ampio set di marcatori SNP (Single Nucleotide Polymorphism) può facilitare l'identificazione e l'utilizzo di geni che controllano caratteri importanti di resistenza agli stress biotici e abiotici. Molte sono le tecniche che vengono utilizzate per lo sviluppo di marcatori SNP nelle piante. Fra queste, la tecnica Restrictionsite Associated DNA (RAD), impiegata nel presente lavoro di tesi, è ampiamente diffusa e si basa sull'acquisizione e la caratterizzazione di regioni genomiche adiacenti a siti di restrizione riconosciuti da specifici enzimi. E' stata utilizzata anche l'analisi dei segreganti riuniti (BSA) per identificare marcatori del DNA legati a geni o a regioni genomiche di interesse.

Nella prima parte della tesi è stato messo a punto un set di 192 SNP per la genotipizzazione ad alta processività di accessioni di barbabietola utilizzando una recente piattaforma (QuantStudio 12K Flex system) rilasciata da Life Technologies, Inc. (Carlsbad, CA, USA).

Nella seconda parte della tesi i 192 SNP sono stati utilizzati per determinare la relazione filogenetica tra le due fonti di resistenza alla rizomania Rizor e Holly (Rz1). L'analisi della varianza e delle componenti principali hanno confermato che le fonti Rizor e Holly sono indistinguibili. I risultati molecolari hanno dimostrato che la resistenza usata, dai coltivatori negli ultimi 30 anni, deriva dalle barbabietole maritime collezionate nel delta del Po.

Nella terza parte è stato identificato il primo gene di tolleranza ai nematodi (HsBvm-l) in Beta vulgaris spp. maritima e il marcatore molecolare ad esso associato da utilizzare in programmi di miglioramento genetico.
La quarta e quinta parte sono state focalizzate sulla resistenza a stress abiotici che compromettono la produzione di zucchero. La tendenza alla prefioritura, dovuta alle basse temperature nelle prime fasi di sviluppo della coltura, è una caratteristica indesiderata che
causa gravi perdite nella resa di zucchero e interferisce con la raccolta. Un nuovo locus, implicato nel controllo genetico della tendenza alla fioritura, assieme a un marcatore ad esso legato sono stati mappati sul cromosoma 6. La localizzazione dello SNP sul genoma di riferimento della barbabietola da zucchero ha confermato l'associazione con il carattere della fioritura. Lo SNP è stato mappato in un gene che codifica per una proteina chiamata metalloproteinasi che causa un ritardo della fioritura e una prematura senescenza in Arabidopsis thaliana. Data la positiva e stretta relazione tra la resa in zucchero, il superamento della carenza idrico nutrizionale e le caratteristiche morfo-fisiologiche dell'apparato radicale, un'analisi dei segreganti riuniti è stata condotta per identificare marcatori SNP legati all'accrescimento radicale in barbabietola. Fra i 234 SNP esaminati, lo SNP10139 è risultato associato allo sviluppo radicale. Inoltre, lo SNP è stato mappato in un gene codificante un trasportatore di peptidi che influenza lo sviluppo radicale in Arabidopsis thaliana.

In conclusione, gli SNP sviluppati in questo lavoro saranno utilizzati per la genotipizzazione di linee parentali e ibridi di barbabietola da zucchero, con rilevante impatto nei programmi di breeding.

## GENERAL INTRODUCTION

Most of the problems facing agriculture in the 21st century relate to the growing world population, which is expected to stabilize at around 10-12 billion during the next 70 years (Heszky 2008). The almost doubled population will require a more than proportional increase in food production (Schmidhuber 2015). During the last decade, world grain yield increased by $0.5 \%$ per year, which is three-fold lower than the population growth rate in the same period (Brown 2011).

Regarding sugar consumption, the pro capita amount is about 24 Kg , and is going to increase by 1.5 Kg per year (Tilman et al. 1999; 2002). Developed countries have an already saturated sugar market, whereas the growing markets of developing countries will rapidly increase their sugar needs (Licht 2014). Approximately $80 \%$ of sugar is produced from sugar cane growing in tropical countries; Brazil and India supply about 65 Mt of the world sugar production (FAOSTAT 2013). The remaining $20 \%$ comes from sugar beet cultivated in the temperate zone of the northern hemisphere. Since the cultivated surface of sugar cane is no longer expandable due to the high water consumption of the crop, at least $20 \%$ of future sugar demand should continue to be supplied by sugar beet (FAOSTAT 2013)

Beta vulgaris L. ssp. vulgaris belongs to the genus Beta L. of the Amaranthaceae family and includes all cultivated varieties of leaf beet, garden beet, fodder beet and sugar beet (Biancardi et al. 2010). Sugar beet is a relatively new crop. Farming began in Germany around two centuries ago (Panella and Lewellen 2006). The crop acquired increasing importance in many European countries, since sugar factories provided jobs for over a hundred families in the countryside (Biancardi et al. 2010). Sugar beet cultivation was more complex than traditional crops, requiring better agronomic knowledge, new skills and techniques. The crop rapidly became the hub of the economy and represented the technical evolution of agriculture (McGrath et al. 2007). Sugar beet's wild ancestor is sea beet, Beta vulgaris L. spp. maritima, growing spontaneously along European coasts (Lewellen 1995). Sea beet is considered an important genetic resource of useful traits, particularly for disease resistance and adaptability to the environment (Saccomani et al. 2009).

Since more than $42 \%$ of the potential sugar beet yield is lost due to biotic and abiotic stresses, the main task for breeders and agronomists will be to increase yields and reduce
losses (Pimentel 1997). To achieve this aim, a wide repertoire of wild sea beets germplasm must be screened in order to discover new genetic traits. The availability of the reference sugar beet genome and the advent of bioinformatic tools made easier the work of molecular marker discovery linked to important traits (Ganal et al. 2009). The discovery of DNA sequence variation is of great importance for breeding and crop genetics (Mammadov et al. 2012). Many current researches focus attention on tolerance to biotic and abiotic stresses, root development and flowering transition with the aim of identifying the gene network and in particular the major genes, which may explain the phenotypic expression.

## Abiotic stresses

Sugar beet production is limited by many environmental conditions, such as water scarcity, salinity and high and low temperatures, which cause a reduction in photosynthesis rate, root development and sugar accumulation (Ober et al. 2010). According to several international sources the average global temperature is increasing rapidly (Hansen et al. 2010). Many researchers are focusing their attention on effects that rising temperature will have on crops (Asseng et al. 2015): i) drought or heat can influence plant development specially in early stages; ii) crops are extremely sensitive to temperature change during flowering; iii) the most limiting factor for plant growth is rainfall; iv) an adequate soil moisture is critical during germination (Pimentel et al. 2010). Genomics and the availability of crops reference genome can offer the opportunity to dissect quantitative traits into their major genetic components. The discovery of putative QTL plays a central role in breeding and marker assisted selection process (Salvi and Tuberosa 2015). Several QTL for root traits have been identified in rice and maize, but the interaction between root growth and soil moisture is poorly understood (Zhu et al. 2005). Variation in morphophysiological parameters in sugar beet is related to different adaptive strategies under varying drought conditions. Tolerance to drought stress is made possible, in some genotypes, by an effective redox signaling and antioxidant system (Romano et al. 2013). The adaptability to drought can also be improved by promoting axial hydraulic conductivity, producing a less dense root system (Romano et al. 2013). Progenies of plants that survived frost are able to produce more sucrose (Ober 2010).

Climatic factors can influence the transition from vegetative stage to flower induction. Varieties differ in their response to vernalization and the genetic base of bolting is widely
studied. Sugar beet is a biennial plant and takes two full growing seasons to mature from vegetative to flowering stage, while the annual habit is related to the wild sea beet ( $B$. vulgaris L. ssp. maritima). Flowering transition involves stem elongation after exposure to low temperatures for 10-14 weeks followed by long day conditions. Munerati was the first to describe the $B$ locus responsible for bolting control (Munerati 1931). Homozygous plants for the $B$ locus are able to initiate bolting under long day conditions (El-Mezawy et al. 2002). Cultivated biennial beets can return to annual behavior under low temperatures and the exposure to a long photoperiod during early growth stages (Smit 1983). Introgression of $B$ allele into cultivated plants could also be due to gene flow from wild beets, resulting in contamination of seed multiplication plots. Early bolted beets show fangy roots, low root yield and sugar content (Buttner et al. 2010). Breeders thus focus their attention on preventing seed contamination and select only biennial sugar beet genotypes. To achieve this aim, molecular markers linked to bolting gene are used to identify contamination from $B$ allele in commercial seed lots.

## Pests and diseases

Sugar beet is subjected to a high number of pathogens, which cause severe metabolic disorders, sugar yield losses and a lower processing quality. The infection may develop in any part of the plant and in all growth stages (Biancardi et al. 2010). Rots and parasites also damage topped beets during transfer and storage in the factory before the processing stage (Haagenson et al. 2008). Chemical control is effective against fungi and insects, but the economic and environmental costs incurred are very high, together with the threats for human health (Zimmermann and Zeddies 2000). In addition, the development of resistant pathogen strains has been detected for a number of pesticides. Crop rotation is quite effective to reduce the pest population level in the soil, but the availability of genetic resistance is often the only reliable possibility for a durable protection (Huffaker 2012).

## Rhizomania

Rhizomania is considered one of the most aggressive diseases widespread in all sugar beet countries (Scholten et al. 1999). This disease is caused by the virus BNYVV (Beet Necrotic Yellow Vein Virus), transmitted by the fungi Polymyxa betae (Canova 1966). Three types of viruses have been classified based on the RNA structure: A, B and P. Types

A and B often appear together and were localized on the Mediterranean coasts, while type P always appears alone and is localized in the north of France, near Pithiviers (Tamada 2002). Rhizomania symptoms are particularly evident in the root, inducing an excessive proliferation of rootlets, constriction of root tips and necrotic color in the root section. Rhizomania causes yellowing in the leaves apparatus (Asher et al. 1993). The first resistance source was found in the multigerm variety Alba P (Bongiovanni and Lanzoni 1964) and recognized as a quantitative resistance. A second resistant variety was released in 1985 by SES and called Rizor (De Biaggi 1987). The Rizor resistance was classified as monogenic and dominant. In the same period another resistant hybrid was released by Holly Sugar Company and named Holly. This source was called Rz1 and appears to derive from wild sea beet growing along Adriatic coasts. Other resistance sources were found by Sholten et al. (1999) closely linked with Rz1 and coded Rz2. Rz2 derives from wild sea beet collected in Denmark. Plants carrying both resistance sources were found to be more resistant than plants with only one gene. Rz1 and Rz2 have been mapped in chromosome 3 with a distance of approximately 20 cM (Scholten et al. 1999).

## Cercospora leaf spot

Cercospora causes extensive damage, especially in the sugar beet cultivation located in the Po Valley (Rossi and Battilani 1989). The protection given by the resistance is partial and an appropriate schedule of chemical treatments must always be provided (Galletti et al. 2008). The resistance to cercospora was the first to be studied, together with curly top resistance. In the 1930s Munerati developed the line R 581, which became the progenitor of all varieties resistant to cercospora (Cesena, Mezzano, Buszcynski CLR, GW304 and GW359) (Biancardi et al. 2002). At least 4 or 5 genes control the resistance, which makes the backcross program with highly productive varieties complex. In fact, the expression of this resistance carries a poor aptitude to sugar production (Weiland et al. 2004). In the 1960s and 1970s the introduction of monogermity in commercial varieties resulted in a lowering level of resistance to cercospora (Rossi et al. 1996). All seed companies have therefore started to introduce resistance to seed-bearing lines. To date, progress in terms of sugar production has been remarkable, but the level of resistance has not increased (Taguchi et al. 2011). Consequently, genetic resistance is not yet able to provide hybrids capable of avoiding damage from the disease with reduced need for chemical treatments, and the prospects for increasing genetic resistance are quite limited in the short term
(McGrath 2010).

## Nematode

Heterodera schachtii is the most important sugar beet nematode, which causes severe sugar yield loss (Amiri et al. 2002). It was first discovered in the U.S. in 1895, but identification came only in 1948. Leaves of infected plants have a strong yellowing, while the root apparatus has an excess of fibrous roots, presence of nematode cysts and a small storage capacity (Fuller et al. 2008). The control of sugar beet nematode involves the use of nematicides, where possible, or crop rotation. Several studies have been done to discover the resistance mechanism (Thurau et al. 2010). The first cloned resistance gene was found in the wild species Patellifolia procumbens and named Hsl (Cai et al. 1997). Another effective resistance source was found in Beta maritima accession WB242 collected at the Loire River Estuary in France (Biancardi et al. 2012).

## Molecular marker discovery and genotyping approach

A good knowledge of genetic, physiological and molecular traits is of fundamental importance to increase sugar yield and resistance to the biotic and abiotic factors mentioned above (Atkinson and Urwin 2012). Molecular breeding needs to be improved by genomic research, together with recent sequencing and genotyping technologies. SNPs are the molecular markers that perfectly suit these needs (Rafalski 2002). Single nucleotide polymorphisms are abundant and uniformly distributed across the genome and can be found in coding and non-coding regions (Gupta et al. 2008). Among the coding regions, two types of SNPs are known: synonymous and non-synonymous. We talk about synonymous SNP (or silent mutations) if the nucleotide substitutions do not cause amino acid change to the protein. Instead, if the substitutions lead to a different encoded amino acid, the SNP can be described as non-synonymous, deriving from missense (change of codon) or non sense (generation of stop codon) mutations (Brookes 1999). SNP markers are largely used to design genetic linkage maps (Rafalski 2002). Particularly, maps based on haplotypes acquired an important utility in assisted selection schemes. The term 'haplotype' refers to a set of SNP markers that are strictly linked and tend to be inherited together (Mackay and Powell 2007). These SNP sets are much more explanatory and the trueness of the information is more reliable than a single SNP could give (Morrel et al.
2012). With the increase of SNP markers density, breeding selection could be relatively easy and cheap, and highly effective for the selection of desirable and undesirable characters. High-density haplotype analyses may be helpful to clarify segregation distortions since such a phenomenon is still unpredictable (Würschum 2012).
The most common approaches for the fast identification of SNPs are the next generation high throughput sequencing technologies (Illumina, SOliD, IonTorrent) (Davey et al. 2011). These methods permit the discovery of hundreds of SNPs at a very low cost (Varshney et al. 2009). An SNP is identified when there is a nucleotide change between the sample sequenced and the reference genome at the same nucleotide position (Kumar et al. 2012). With the same approach it is possible to compare divergent genotypes of the same species to find nucleotide variation in the same genomic region (Garvin et al. 2010). Once validated, the SNPs can be used for many downstream studies, such as genotyping, phylogenetic analysis, marker assisted selection, QTL mapping, genome selection, bulk segregant analysis and genome wide association studies (Edwards et al. 2013).

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## GENERAL AIMS

Aims of the current thesis were:
I. To introduce a novel high-throughput SNP genotyping approach to assess the genetic diversity in sugar beet (contribute $\mathrm{n}^{\circ} 1$ ).
II. To assess the phylogenetic relationships between Rizor and Holly (Rz1) resistances to rhizomania by means of high-throughput SNP genotyping (contribute $\mathrm{n}^{\circ} 2$ ).
III. To develop SNP molecular markers linked to nematode tolerance (contribute $\mathrm{n}^{\circ} 3$ ).
IV. To identify new genetic polymorphisms involved in the genetic determination of bolting tendency (contribute $\mathrm{n}^{\circ} 4$ ).
V. To identify SNP markers linked to root elongation rate in sugar beet (contribute $\mathrm{n}^{\circ}$ 5).

## CONTRIBUTE 1

# High-Throughput RAD-SNP Genotyping for Characterization of Sugar Beet Genotypes 

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#### Abstract

High-throughput SNP genotyping provides a rapid way of developing resourceful sets of markers for delineating genetic structure and for understanding the basis of the taxonomic discrimination. In this paper, we present a panel of 192 SNPs for effective genotyping in sugar beet using the high-throughput marker array technology QuantStudio 12K Flex system coupled with Taqman OpenArray technology. The selected SNPs were evaluated for genetic diversity among a set of 150 individuals representing 15 genotypes (10 individuals each) from 5 male steriles (CMSs), 5 pollinators and 5 commercial varieties. We demonstrated that the proposed panel of 192 SNPs effectively differentiated the studied genotypes. A higher degree of polymorphism was observed among the CMSs as compared to pollinators and commercial varieties. PCoA and STRUCTURE analysis revealed that CMSs, pollinators and varieties clustered into three distinct sub-populations. Our results demonstrate the utility of the identified panel of 192 SNPs coupled with TaqMan OpenArray technology as a wide set of markers for high-throughput SNP genotyping in sugar beet.


Keywords: sugar beet, genetic diversity, SNP genotyping, QuantStudio platform

## Introduction

Genotyping with molecular markers is a rapid and cost-effective strategy for assessing genetic variation, developing genome-wide association mapping approaches, establishing linkage maps, and useful in the development of cultivar specific plant breeding programs (Syvänen 2005; Ganal et al. 2012). Previously, several types of molecular markers have been described and used effectively to describe population structure, although most of them are limited in their use because of the high cost of largescale analyses. Among the various types of markers, single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) are a recommended markers for mass-throughput genotyping (Mammadov et al. 2012). SNPs occur at a frequency of at least $1 \%$ in a given population and, together with recombination, are the two main sources of genetic diversity (Ganal et al. 2009). SNPs as markers are abundantly distributed across the genome and can be found in coding as well as non-coding regions (Rafalski 2002). Among crops, variation in SNP frequency along the genome has been observed: maize has one SNP every 104 base pairs (bp; Tenaillon et al. 2001), wheat has one SNP every 200 bp (Ravel et al. 2006), soybean has one SNP every 273 bp (Zhu et al. 2003) and sugar beet has one SNP every 130 bp (Schneider et al. 2001). In the past ten years, various high-throughput SNP genotyping approaches have been developed (Gupta et al. 2008), the applicability of which depends on the number of samples and markers to be analyzed for population genomics.

Sugar beet is one of the world's most important crops currently supplying around $20 \%$ of the sugar consumed worldwide (Biancardi et al. 2010). An estimation of the genome length on the basis of the C -value is reported to be 714 to 758 million base pairs (McGrath et al. 2007), and most observed sugar beet genotypes are diploid ( $2 \mathrm{n}=2 \mathrm{x}=18$ ). Currently, a loss in the genetic basis of the commercial sugar beet varieties has been observed, mainly due to the repeated use of a limited number of genotypes as parents in breeding programs (McGrath et al. 1999). A narrow genetic basis is likely to cause inbreeding depression and reduced genetic variability, which in turn can lead to genetic plateaus in sugar beet (Geidel et al. 2000). The release of the RefBeet_0.9 draft assembly of the whole genome sequence of KWS2320 genotype has allowed genome wide mapping strategies, thus facilitating genotyping efforts (http://bvseq.molgen.mpg.de/index.shtml). Few studies so far have examined the genetic diversity of sugar beet parental lines and their progeny on the basis of the SNPs mapped to the available scaffolds of the sugar beet genome (Li et al. 2011; Simko et al. 2012). To increase resources for the effective
discrimination of the underlying genetic basis in sugar beet breeding programs and to boost genetic improvement, a more detailed genetic characterization of germplasm collections and their genetic relationships is presently a matter of prime concern. The development and application of high-throughput genome-wide genotyping methods, such as SNP arrays, can significantly broaden the current germplasm screening capabilities and their subsequent evaluation in correlation to the parental lines. Life Technologies Inc. (LTI, Carlsbad, CA) recently released a platform (QuantStudio 12K Flex system coupled with Taqman OpenArray technology) having key elements required for high-throughput SNP genotyping (Johnson et al. 2012), thus allowing for a rapid genotyping of large number of SNPs (up to 3072) in many individuals (up to 480) in a relatively short time. In this paper, we introduced a novel high-throughput SNP genotyping approach, based on QuantStudio 12K Flex system, to assess the genetic diversity in sugar beet. In the light of the present goal, we evaluated the potential of 192 SNPs as markers for sugar beet genetic and genomic research.

## Material and methods

## Plant material:

To evaluate the proposed SNP panel, we selected a set of 150 individuals representing 15 genotypes ( 10 individuals each) from 5 CMSs, 5 pollinators and 5 commercial varieties (Table 1). CMSs lines are monogermic, susceptible to diseases (e.g. rhizomania and cercospora) and are dominant lines for high sugar yield; on the contrary, pollinators are multigermic and resistant to rhizomania. The aforementioned genotyping lines were derived from an ongoing wide breeding program at CRA-Research Institute for Industrial Crops (Rovigo, Italy). Commercial sugar beet varieties, which are widely grown in Italy are provided by BETA SCARL (Ferrara, Italy). Two of the five analyzed commercial varieties were resistant to nematodes (Variety_1 and Variety_5) and three were resistant to rhizomania (Variety_2, Variety_3 and Variety_4).

## Automated genomic DNA (gDNA) isolation:

Automated gDNA isolation was carried out using the BioSprint 96 DNA Plant Kit (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) with the BioSprint 96 workstation (Qiagen) according to the manufacturer's instructions. In brief, 50 mg of leaf material was used as a starting material and was subsequently added to 2 ml tubes having a stainless steel bead suspended in 300 ml of RLT buffer (guanidine thiocyanate buffer under patent protection). For effective
homogenization, TissueLyser (Qiagen) was used to homogenize 48 samples at a time with two 1-minute shaking steps ( 30 Hz each). Subsequently, the samples were centrifuged at $6,000 \mathrm{~g}$ for 5 minutes. Following centrifugation, the pellet was discarded and the supernatant was used for the subsequent DNA isolation steps, which involves suspension with MagAttract magnetic-particles allowing the binding of DNA to their silica surface. In downstream steps, DNA was purified by passing through four S-Block plates, the order of which is as follows: the first plate contained buffer RPW (guanidine thiocyanate buffer under patent protection) with isopropanol and RNase; second and third plates were loaded with $96 \%$ ethanol and the last one with $0.02 \%(\mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v})$ of Tween 20. Finally, the isolated DNA was suspended in $200 \mu 1$ of nuclease-free water and stored at $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ until further use. For quality assessment and integrity check, quantification of the isolated DNA was done using spectrophotometer at 260 nm wavelength. A final yield of $21 \mathrm{ng} \mu 1^{-1}$ and $\mathrm{A}_{260} / \mathrm{A}_{280}$ ratios $\geq 1.6$ was obtained for further downstream analysis.

## High-throughput SNP genotyping:

The main goal of this research was to evaluate the potential of 192 SNPs as markers for research on sugar beet genetics and genomics. In view of the present goal, genotyping was carried out for 192 SNP markers mapped on the reference sugar beet genome (version RefBeet-0.9) downloaded from http://bvseq.molgen.mpg.de. The panel of 192 SNPs was identified using restriction-site associated DNA (RAD) sequencing of 4 individuals of a sugar beet pollinator (Pollinator_1). RAD sequencing was carried out at Floragenex Inc. according to the protocol described by Baird et al. 2008. Polymorphic markers were identified as per the procedure described in Baird et al. 2008. Briefly, reads were trimmed, cleaned and reads with Ns and artifacts were removed. Polymorphic RAD tags were identified and were mapped to the reference genome of sugar beet and were scanned for the presence of single mismatches (Baird et al. 2008). The 192 SNPs showing a perfect match -with a single mismatch- to the reference genome were selected for evaluation as genotyping markers.

A total of 10 ng of isolated DNA sample was mixed with $2.5 \mu 1$ of TaqMan OpenArray Genotyping Master Mix in a 384 -well plate. The samples were subsequently loaded onto the OpenArray plate using the QuantStudio 12K Flex OpenArray AccuFill System (LTI). After real-time PCR and allelic discrimination, the results were analyzed using TaqMan Genotyper v1.2 software (LTI).

## Statistical analysis:

We estimated the following genetic parameters: linkage disequilibrium (LD) and average expected heterozygosity $\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{E}}\right)$ in each genotype, and genetic distances (Dst: Nei, 1978) between genotypes, using ad hoc scripts and the package GenABEL (Aulchenko et al 2007) in the R programming environment version 2.12.2. The average $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{E}}$ in the three groups (CMSs, pollinators and commercial varieties) were compared through the analysis of variance followed by a Duncan test using the R package ASREML (Butler et al. 2007). To cluster the examined sugar beet genotypes, a principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) was carried out using the program GenAlEx (Peakall and Smouse 2006). The Bayesian algorithm implemented in the programme STRUCTURE 2.1 (Pritchard et al. 2000) was used to infer the most likely number of clusters (K) with the following parameters: number of iterations=10; length of burning period: 10000; Number of MCMC Reps after burn in: 10000, with K ranging from 2 to 6.

## Results and Discussion

In the present research, we proposed a fingerprinting analysis of 15 sugar beet genotypes using an array of 192 SNP markers, with the aim of providing a SNP panel for the effective discrimination of sugar beet genotypes. We observed that the majority of the SNPs (95\%) were polymorphic across sugar beet genotypes, which supports the use of the developed SNP marker panel for high-throughput SNP genotyping in sugar beet. The array of 192 SNPs identified in this study along with their corresponding mapping coordinates are available as supplementary material S1 (Table S1). The selected SNPs in the present study produced high-quality signals with a rate of undetermined results of only $0.45 \%$, which is an important parameter for selecting suitable marker-systems. Previously, similar estimate of the undetermined rate ( $0.2 \%$ ) has been observed in sugar beet (Simko et al. 2012). We observed an average LD of $0.111,0.080$ and 0.075 in CMSs, pollinators and commercial varieties, respectively, which is in line with the previously reported LD values in sugar beet (Viard et al. 2004; Arnaud et al. 2009).

To validate the effectiveness of the genetic discrimination using 192 SNP markers, we selected two population genetic parameters: average expected heterozygosity $\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{E}}\right)$ and genetic distance (Nei, 1978), which were estimated within and between sugar beet genotypes to determine the genetic diversity in the sampled population. Significant differences ( $\mathrm{p}<0.05$ ) were found for heterozygosity in the different genotypes (Table 1). The average expected heterozygosity ranged from 0.052 to 0.250 across 15 genotypes. The
overall expected heterozygosity in CMSs $\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{E}}=0.175\right)$ was substantially higher as compared to pollinators and commercial varieties $\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{E}}=0.074\right.$ and $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{E}}=0.154$, respectively). Genetic distances between genotypes also were estimated. The highest value of genetic distance was found between CMS_3 and pollinator_1 (Dst $=0.445$ ) and the lowest genetic distance was observed between pollinator_4 and pollinator_5 ( $\mathrm{Dst}=0.043$ ). The low genetic diversity observed among pollinators is probably a direct consequence of the breeding programs at Institute for Industrial Crops of Rovigo, which all shared the same initial resistance source to rhizomania, 2281-R1 (Biancardi et al. 2002). A wide genetic basis is essential in sugar beet to select and to breed for disease resistance, to prevent inbreeding depression and to allow for adaptation to changing environmental conditions (Biancardi et al. 2012).

A principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) was performed in order to gain further insights into the genetic similarity of the analyzed genotypes (Figure 1). The first two principal coordinates of PCoA accounted for $36 \%$ and $22 \%$ of the variance respectively, thus jointly accounting for $58 \%$ of the total variation in the dataset. The first principal coordinate (PC1) differentiated between commercial varieties and pollinators, whereas the second principal coordinate (PC2) was able to identify CMSs. PCoA analysis revealed the formation of two distinct clusters in commercial varieties and pollinators while CMS genotypes were split into four distinct clusters. In general, low genetic diversity was found among sugar beet parental lines and commercial varieties, as previously reported (McGrath et al. 1999; Saccomani et al. 2009). However, the present study clearly demonstrates that the most genetically diverse genotype was the CMS_5, which is in agreement with its known genetic background, derived from unselected breeding lines (E. Biancardi, pers. comm.). In sugar beet, breeding for disease resistance within a narrow germplasm pool, together with the use of cytoplasmic male sterility and monogermity for the production of commercial seed, potentially can lead to loss of heterozygosity and consequent increase of homozygosity (Biancardi et al. 2010). The incorporation of novel wild beet germplasm into domestic sugar beet likely will lead to the broadening of sugar beet germplasm as suggested previously by Frese et al. 2010 and Stevanato et al. 2013. In general, identification of the resources for augmenting the broad genetic basis is a prerequisite for breeding programs (Panella and Lewellen 2007). The PCoA plot clearly illustrates the finescale genetic structure of sugar beet genotypes and allows effective discrimination among CMSs, pollinators and commercial varieties.

In order to further investigate the potential of the selected panel of SNPs for effective sugar beet fingerprinting, and to gain deeper insight into the genetic structure of the population, we further analyzed each group (CMSs, pollinators and commercial varieties) using the Bayesian clustering algorithm of STRUCTURE, with varying K values (number of sub-populations). The bayesian analysis revealed that $\mathrm{K}=3$ was the base value for the number of best supported clusters, thus classifying CMSs, pollinators and commercial variety genotypes each into three distinct clusters (Figure 2). Our results showed that the clusters defined with the algorithm in STRUCTURE were similar from those revealed by the PCoA analysis. The observed results are in perfect agreement with the previously reported results by Li et al. (2011), which supports the observation of $90 \%$ correspondence between the population structure defined by PCoA and STRUCTURE.

Table 1. Description of the sugar beet genotypes used in this study and average expected heterozygosity $\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{E}}\right)$ estimated from SNP markers. Means within genotypes followed by a different letter are significantly different at the 0.05 probability level.

| Name | Selected trait | Monogermity <br> or multigermity | Heterozigosity $\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{E}}\right)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CMS_1 | Monogerm | 0.102 |  |
| CMS_2 |  | 0.163 |  |
| CMS_3 |  | 0.149 |  |
| CMS_4 |  | 0.213 |  |
| CMS_5 | Multigerm | 0.250 |  |
|  |  |  | Mean |

Figure 1. Two-dimensional Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCoA) based on 192 SNPs of sugar beet genotypes (CMSs, Pollinators, Varieties). Each dot represents one individual. The first two principal coordinates of PCoA accounted for $58 \%$ of the total variation.


Coord. 1

Figure 2. Cluster analysis of sugar beet genotypes within each of three groups (CMSs, Pollinators, Varieties) based on 192 SNP using the STRUCTURE software ( $\mathrm{K}=3$ ). Each individual is represented by a vertical line, which is partitioned into coloured segments that represent the individual membership to the clusters.


## Conclusion

The present study proposed a wide repertoire of genome mapped RAD-SNP markers for efficient characterization of genetic diversity and population structure in sugar beet. The results of the present experimental layout clearly indicate that the proposed panel of 192 SNPs is a suitable resource for the effective discrimination of genetic diversity in sugar beet. In addition, the wide repertoire of SNPs evaluated in this study could serve as a potential source for the estimation of genetic relationships among sugar beet parental lines and varieties, with relevant impact on breeding program decisions.

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Supplementary material S1. Information on 192 SNPs used in the study from sugar beet genome (RefBeet-0.9).

| SNP ID | Scaffold | Position on scaffold (bp) | Chr. | Flanking - 5' | SNP | Flanking - 5' |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SNP_193 | scaffold00125 | 1000269 | 3 | СTCTCTTTGCCTTCCCTT СТТААСТСТСССАТСТСС TCTTATTTCCTCCC | [C/T] | AACACCAATACAAGCAC CCAAACCTCCGAGAGCC CACCCGATCACTCCAA |
| SNP_194 | scaffold00336 | 419903 | 6 | AATTATTCCCTATGAAA AGTTTATATATACTCAT CAAAATCTGACGTTTA | [A/G] | ACTATTGATATATCTTTT ACGAGGCTCAAATTGTC ATGCACTGAAATGTA |
| SNP_195 | scaffold00211 | 394195 | 6 | ACCAATCTTGTAACTAA CAAACATAATAGCAGAT AAATCCCGTAGCTCAC | [T/A] | CATCAAAAAATTTACCT CTTACTAACTTTTACCAT TACTTTAAATCAAAA |
| SNP_196 | scaffold00139 | 613252 | 1 | ATTGTCTTAGTGTTGCTG ATTAAGCTTCCAAAAAA ACAAACAGTTAAACT | [G/A] | ATCAGCTACCTTATTAG TTTTAGCTTTATATTATC AGTTTCAGTTTAAAT |
| SNP_197 | scaffold00013 | 2226880 | 9 | AATCCCTATCCAACTAA TGTGAGTCGAGTGACTC TTACTTTACCGCAAGT | [C/T] | CGCAATTCTCCCATTCCT GATAATCTGCCATCACA TCACCACCATCCGTC |
| SNP_198 | scaffold00120 | 333334 | 6 | СТСТСТТСТСТТТССТТС TCTGGTTACCTTGCTGA ACTTGAACGTGCTCT | [T/C] | GAGGGTACTTCTGTCAA TTCATCTTCTTCTTCTTC TGGGGTTGTTGTTGA |
| SNP_199 | scaffold00243 | 77935 | 5 | GTTACAAAGGTCCTGTT CTCTTCCGCATAAAACA ATTGAACTAGACTAAA | [T/C] | TGAAATGAATAGTGATA TGTGAGAGTAAAAGTAT TGTCAAGAGTTGAACT |
| SNP_200 | scaffold00090 | 922239 | 8 | GGAATTGTTTCACTTTC ATCATCTTCCACATTACT CCTCTTCCATTTCTT | [T/C] | AACCCATCAAACCCCCA TTGCTTCTTAGCTAATTT CGCTTCTCTTTCGTC |
| SNP_201 | scaffold00704 | 87167 | ND | ATTCTCTCTTCTGTAGAT ACGCTATCCTTTCTGGCT ATGCTATGGGGGAA | [G/A] | GGAAGTGAGATCTACAG ATTGATTTGATATTAGA TGAGCGATCGTACTAT |
| SNP_202 | ND | ND | ND | AAACAGTCATGTTGGGT TTTTTTAGATTTGTCTTC ATGTAAATTTTTTTA | [A/C] | TATAAACTTTTTATAATT TTTACTTATTGATAATG AAATATATTAATGGT |
| SNP_203 | scaffold00717 | 100252 | 2 | ACAATAAAGAAGATCTT TTGTTTATAAATATTGG CTTGTTAGACTATAGT | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{T}]$ | GTGTTACATAAAAGTCA TTTTTAAAATCGAAACT CGTTTACATCGTTACT |
| SNP_204 | scaffold00028 | 454475 | 8 | TTCCACTTCGTCCTAATC ATGTCGGTCTCCAAAAC | [T/C] | CATTTTCTAGCTTTTTAG TCATGTAGTGTTCGGAA |


|  |  |  |  | CGGTTTCTCTTTTCC |  | TACAAATTTAATCTC |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SNP_205 | scaffold00202 | 8917 | 7 | AGGTCAGGTTTCGGTCA GGTCTAGGGACTGACCC TCACAGGTCGAACTAG | [A/G] | TTCAAGTCAGGTCAGAA TCAGGTTGACCCAACGG TCAGATCTGTTTCTGA |
| SNP_206 | scaffold00166 | 464463 | 4 | AGGTTCACTATTGTTCTC TGCTAGATACATTCTAT ATGGTAATTGATGAG | [C/G] | TAAGCCAAAAATAAAAC ATCCATACAATAACTAA ATTCAAATTGTAACGT |
| SNP_207 | scaffold00208 | 457705 | 3 | TGCTAAAATTTAGCGAG GAATTATAAGTAAAATA CTGAATATAAGGGGTT | [C/A] | AATTATATATTTCTTAGT TTTGGAGTTTAATTTTCA TTCAAATGAAAAAC |
| SNP_208 | scaffold00287 | 289941 | 5 | GCTTCTGCTTCACGCTTG TTATTAGGGTTCTTATCT GGGTGCCAAATCAT | [T/C] | GCTAATCGACGGTACGA TTTTCGGAGATCATCTTC GCTTGCATTTCGATT |
| SNP_209 | scaffold00039 | 299996 | 1 | ACACTAAACACACTTAA GAACCTTAACATAGGAA AACAATCAACCAAATT | [T/C] | GGTTTTCCAATCTCCTCC ATAATCTTCCAAACAAG CTCCTTAAACTCCCC |
| SNP_210 | scaffold00006 | 2166771 | 5 | TCTCAGTAACATCAGAT TCAACCCAAGGAGTGTG TGACAATGGTGGCAAA | [A/G] | GTGGTGGTGAAACCACA TCAGTAGGAGCAAAACA CACCCTTTCTTCTTCA |
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| SNP_212 | scaffold00197 | 138374 | 9 | CCATTAATGGCGGCAGA TCGTATTAAAGGTCCAT GGAGTCCTGAAGAAGA | [C/T] | GAACTCTTACAAAAACT CGTCCAAAAACATGGCG CTAGGAATTGGTCGGT |
| SNP_213 | scaffold00141 | 627751 | 6 | TTAAAAACTAGTGAATA AATCAAAAACTCGGAGA TATTTAGTGAGAACAC | [T/C] | GCATTCTTATGCATAAC ACTTCGAGATTTGGCAT TTTTCCTGACTATTCT |
| SNP_214 | scaffold00048 | 1197262 | 9 | GTCTTGAGTGCATCTCC AGCTATAGCCATCAAAT CTTTAGATAATGAAAC | [T/A] | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { CCAGTTTTACCAACATC } \\ & \text { ATCTTGTTCCTGATACA } \\ & \text { CACACTTAAATGCCTT } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| SNP_215 | scaffold00013 | 296768 | 9 | ATGAAAAATATTATACC TAAAATATATCTCGAGC CTGCTCACGAAATTTT | [T/C] | GAATCGAACTTTGCTAT GCTCAGCTCTAGAATAT TTGGTGAGCCAGGGAA |
| SNP_216 | scaffold00421 | 40190 | 4 | GGAACTATGTATGCAGT TGAGAGTCATGAGGCGA CACAGCACCTGCTAGT | [T/A] | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { AATATCGAAGATGGTGT } \\ & \text { TGATGTCAATGGTGAAA } \\ & \text { ATATTGTTGATGGGGT } \end{aligned}$ |
| SNP_217 | scaffold00157 | 745230 | 3 | TTCTTGGAGTTTCAGAG CCAAAAAGATGTACATA CACCATACGAATAACA | [T/C] | GTGTTGGCTTTTTATTGA TCCACAAAACTAATATT ACTTTTTTGTATTCT |
| SNP_218 | scaffold00004 | 1154018 | 1 | TGATCTGATCAAACATT CCCAATGCGGATGGATG AGTGACCTGAATAAAT | [T/G] | AAAGAAGTTGTTGATTA AGAAAGTTTAATTAAAG ATATACTTATAGAAGA |
| SNP_219 | scaffold00537 | 129411 | 1 | TATTTTCATTTCTTATAA GAAAATATAATTTTAGA TAAGTTACAAATAAT | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{C}$ ] | TCAAATATAAGTTAAAG TAAGGTCTAATATTTAC AAGTTTATACAAATTT |
| SNP_220 | scaffold00080 | 330386 | 9 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AACCATAACAATTCTTC } \\ & \text { TTCTTTGCGAATTAAAC } \\ & \text { ACAAATAAAGTGGCTA } \end{aligned}$ | [C/A] | ATATAACATACAACTTT ATTCTATTCAGTCAATTC AACTACAAACATGAC |
| SNP_221 | scaffold00004 | 1173550 | 1 | ATATACAGTAAAACCTT GATTATATTACAAAGTA TACTGTATTTTGTATT | [G/C] | TGTATTCTCATAGAATA TATGAAACAGTTCACAA CACTTCTGCCGTCTAA |
| SNP_222 | scaffold00863 | 11377 | 3 | GAATGAATGACCTCTCT ATTTATTTTCAAGCTTGC TCTTCAAACCGGCCT | [C/A] | TTGCTTTCTTCTATGAGA AGGTTCTTCCGTAATCA CTTTTTTTAATACAT |
| SNP_223 | scaffold00046 | 911569 | 7 | TACATGTGCACCGACGT GTACAGTGTCAGGCTCT ACGCTAACACAAAACA | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{C}$ ] | AATTCCTCTTCACAACA TATTTAAGTTTAAACCC CGTAACGATGATAACA |
| SNP_224 | ND | ND |  | CGTGACCTTTTTGTCATG CGGGCTCTTGATACCAT GTCAAAGGACCAACT | [T/C] | AACCAAAAGCTTAAGCT GATGGTTGAGGCCCCAG GAATATATCTATACTC |
| SNP_225 | scaffold00120 | 406987 | 6 | TCAATTAAGCGTTTTCA TTTCTAATTGTTTGGTAT GAGTGTTAAGTAACA | [G/A] | ATACCGTTTACGGAGGG ATTCACAATCCCTCCAT TTGTTACCCTTATCAA |
| SNP_226 | scaffold00161 | 377433 | 3 | ACAACTTTGCTACAAGT CAAGACATTTACTTATC TATCTAGAAATTTCAG | [C/T] | AATCACGTGAAATCAAC TGCCAAAATCAGACCCT TATCATTGCCAATATT |
| SNP_227 | ND | ND | ND | TATATATTTACTCTCGAT CTCAATTTCTCAAATTC AATTAATTAATTATT | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{T}$ ] | AATTTTTCTTTTTAAGAA ATTTGAGTTTAATTAAA TTTTTTTTTTTTTTT |
| SNP_228 | scaffold00108 | 924476 | 5 | AGGGTGGATTCCTTCTG GATATTGTAATCAGCCA AAGTACGGCCATCTTC | [G/A] | AGCTGCTTACCAGCAAA GATCAACCTCTGCTGGT CTGGAGGAATACCTTC |
| SNP_229 | scaffold00094 | 710138 | 9 | AAAGATGGTTACCTTTA TTGAATGTTTGGTTCAA | [A/G] | AAGGGTAACCATTAACT TCAAGTAATGGATTTTA |


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| SNP_239 | scaffold00120 | 449390 | 6 | ACTATGTGAAAAGAAAG AGCATGAAACGCATGAA TGCTGCTACTTGTGAA | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{T}]$ | TTTGGATTGAATAAGTT TGAGTTTTTTGGGCTTCC AAAAGGTCAAATTTA |
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| SNP_246 | scaffold00362 | 450355 | 7 | ATGTGTTAGCTACGTCC ATGGACAGGAGAGAGA ATAGCTTTATTAATCTT | [G/A] | AGGAATTCCAAAATTAC AGAAGTGATTATGTTCT AATCATCGAATAAATG |
| SNP_247 | scaffold00069 | 376380 | 8 | GAGGAGTAACTCCTAAG CTTATAAAATGGTTTAG ТСТСТССТСТТТСТСС | [C/T] | ATGTAGGACACTCATAT GTGGTCATCAATGGGAT TCAAACATGAAACTTC |
| SNP_248 | scaffold00068 | 472087 | 3 | CGACTATTTCAACCCCC CACCCTTATAACAGAAA ACAACCTCCCCATTTT | [T/C] | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CTCTACTTCСATAACAA } \\ & \text { AСTTACTTACTCATCAA } \\ & \text { GCCTCACTCACTCACT } \end{aligned}$ |
| SNP_249 | scaffold00683 | 31647 | ND | TATTTATTTATTTTAAGA ATTGCATGTCTCACATA CGACACTTTCATTTC | [C/G] | AACTAAAAACTTTAAAT TTTTCTACAAAATAAAA TAATAGAGTCAAGTTG |
| SNP_250 | scaffold00006 | 2166719 | 5 | TGGTGGTGAAACCACAT CAGTAGGAGCAAAACA CACCCTTTCTTCTTCAC | [C/T] | TGAACAAGTGATAGAAA ATGGAACTTGAGGGAAA TTAACAACCCCAAAAC |
| SNP_251 | scaffold00751 | 121627 | ND | TGAGAATCAATATCAAC AAGAATTTTGAAAATTT GCTGACCTTGAGGAGA | [G/A] | AGACTATGGTGTGTCCA GGGTTTGCCACGGTTAG GGTCCCGGAACTTTCC |
| SNP_252 | scaffold00186 | 342525 | 8 | AAACTAAACAAATTACC ATTACTGCCACTATCAC CACCACCACCACTAAT | [C/T] | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { CCATTTCCGCCGCCGTC } \\ & \text { AACGCTGCCGCCGCTTT } \\ & \text { CGTCGCTTCGACAACT } \end{aligned}$ |
| SNP_253 | scaffold00076 | 952059 | 9 | ACCCAAAAATAGCAAA AAATGGTTTCAAGAAAA TTGAACTTTCCCAAGAA | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{T}]$ | ATGGATTCAATGAAAAG ATCAGATACGCGTTTTT TTTTGTCAGATACTTA |
| SNP_254 | scaffold00863 | 45462 | 3 | CACAGCGCTTTCCCTTTC | [C/T] | GACCCGCCGAAGACTGA |


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| SNP_264 | scaffold00167 | 570897 | 9 | TGATCAGACCCAGAAAA ACCCCTAATCAAAATAT TGTAAGTAAACACATT | [T/G] | GGAGAAATTCCCAAATT GTTCATCTCATCAAACA ACTCCAAAGCCAACTC |
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| SNP_269 | scaffold00033 | 467127 | 7 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { TGGATTACTTGTGAAGA } \\ & \text { ATCTTTAATTAGATACA } \\ & \text { AGGTCATAGGTTAATG } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{T}$ ] | TTTCTTTAGCTTGAAAC AGTGATTACTTAAGAAG TGAAGATTGAAGGAAA |
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| SNP_271 | scaffold00161 | 161569 | 3 | ACACTCCTCTCACTACC TCCTTACTTTCCCTTTCA TTTTTCTTTCATTTC | [T/A] | TCATTTTTCTTACATCGA ACCGAACAACGGAAAA CTAATTTTGGAATTTT |
| SNP_272 | scaffold00796 | 103147 | 6 | CGTTTTTTGAATAATTCT CGGAGTGGAATCTCCAA GTTTCTAGGAGACCT | [T/C] | CGAGGAATCTCACCAAG CTGTGTGGTTGTGGTGG ATAAAGAGGTCGGTAT |
| SNP_273 | scaffold00008 | 375846 | 7 | ATCATTAACCAATAAAT TCCAAGTTACTCACATA ACCGTTCACAGACAGC | [C/A] | GAATGGAAAAAAATGG AGAGCATCCATAGTAAA TCTAGGTGTACCATGTG |
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| SNP_279 | scaffold00389 | 236325 | ND | TAGAAGAAATTAATACT | [G/A] | ATGTTAGAAAAAAAAA |


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| SNP_282 | scaffold00022 | 489621 | 6 | GGAAGAAGTAGAGAGT AAAGAGTTGTGTATAAA GAAACGACAACCACAA G | [G/C] | TACACTCTTTCCATGAA AAAATCTTGTGGTTGCT AATTGCGATAACTCTA |
| SNP_283 | scaffold00185 | 801314 | 2 | TAATTAAATTTAAAAAA TAAGGTTAAAAATGAGT TATGTGAAAGTAAAAC | [T/A] | GAATAATGAAAAAAAA TACATAAAACAGTAGAC TTCTTTAAGGAGTTTCA |
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| SNP_286 | scaffold00574 | 215491 | 3 | AAACACCCTTGACAGGA ACTTTTTCTTTAGCAGCA ACATATATAGCATGG | [T/G] | CCAGTTTAGGAGGCTTA TCTGAAAAGCAGTATTG TGTGACAAACATCATT |
| SNP_287 | scaffold00195 | 32073 | 4 | TATAATAAAATGGGAAA TTTCCTGAGGTACCCTT GAGGTTTGACTTAATT | [A/C] | TCAAAATACCCTTATTG AATTTTGAAGTTCAAAG TTTAACTTTCAAGGGT |
| SNP_288 | scaffold00211 | 91028 | 6 | AGTGATTCCTTGATGTA CGGTGTATATTTTGTATT TCTTCTCCTAATCCA | [T/C] | ACAATGAGCCCAAGTTC TAATTTTTGGGACATCA TTTTGGGCCTAAAGAA |
| SNP_289 | scaffold00705 | 8379 | 9 | ACTTGTATATTGAATCC GAGAATATCCCATTTTT ACCCGGCATTATAATT | [T/A] | TAATTTGGGGTTCTTGT GATTCTTTTGATAAAGG TAAGGTTTTTACTTTT |
| SNP_290 | scaffold00185 | 801227 | 2 | ATAAGACATATATCATA TGACTTTGAAAATCAAA AAATAGAAAAAACAAC | [C/A] | GTATTACTGAACGGACC TTAATAATCACTTTTTTC CATAATTAAATTTAA |
| SNP_291 | scaffold00682 | 121825 | 3 | GTAGGAGGAAAAGTAT AATTGCTCTAGGCTACA TCTTTATCATCCTCTCT | [T/C] | ATGTTGTTTTGAACTTGT AGCATTTACTTTCCACA AGGAAGAAAATTTAT |
| SNP_292 | scaffold00111 | 1092375 | 5 | ATCAACGGAATTTCATC AAACAGATGGTGGGCA AATTTAAAGGGGACAGA | [A/G] | TCATGAAAATTCTACAC TTTCACCACCTACGTGTT ATAACACAACGATCA |
| SNP_293 | scaffold00172 | 518642 | ND | CCCTAAAATTGGACAAT ACATTCAACAATTATCA TTAAATACTGTTCAGA | [T/A] | ATAAAAGCACAATTATT ACATAAACAAAACAAAT AATACAATCAATATTA |
| SNP_294 | scaffold00286 | 181501 | 9 | ATCAAAAACAAAAATAT GAAAATAAAAAAGGTA ATTTTCAATTTTCTGTC | [T/A] | TTAAGTATTATTAAAAG TTTAATATACCCTTTACA ATGATACCGGTATAC |
| SNP_295 | scaffold00463 | 303453 | 2 | ATAATCACGCACAACGA CAGCAAAAAACCGAAA TGATGTGTGGCTCCAGC | [A/G] | CCAGCAGCGAAAAAAG CAGACGAACAACGGAA CAAGTAATCAAGTATGT A |
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| SNP_297 | scaffold00011 | 2586541 | 5 | GTAGGGTCCTCACTTGG ATGCTCATTACAAGTCA TACACCCTTCAACCCC | [C/A] | TCCACCCCTTAAATTCT AAACAAAAGTTTAGGGT AGGAATAGAATCCTAG |
| SNP_298 | scaffold00177 | 790808 | 7 | TATAACAAACCCATGAA TTTTCTACCATTTTGCCA CAATACCCTTCAATT | [G/A] | ACTACAATTTAACGTTA GATATCCATATATTTGA TCAACTAGGTTTCCAA |
| SNP_299 | scaffold00453 | 224897 | 1 | AAAATGAAATTACTATT ATACCCTCAAAAGGATG TTAATTACAGTAAAAC | [C/T] | GCAGTAGTGAAACAATG TTAAATTAATGTTGGAC CAATTACAGTAAATAC |
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| SNP_301 | contig145082 | 123 | ND | ATCGTACGCTATGATTA TGAGGTTATTAGAAGCA AAGAAGCGGCAAATAA | [G/C] | AAAAATAATGGTTTTGT CATGCATAGCTTATTAT GGCGCTCGAAAATCCA |
| SNP_302 | scaffold00094 | 180489 | 9 | CGGGACCCAGTTACCGT ATGTACCGGTCAAACCT ACGACCGGCAAAGCAT | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{T}$ ] | GAGTCATGGGTTGCTAC CGGTAATACTACTTGTC CGGTAACTCGGGCTAC |
| SNP_303 | scaffold00146 | 690316 | 1 | ACTACAATGGAGAATAA GATGGTGACAGGCGTAC | [G/A] | CAGCAACTAAATGACCT AATACAATCGCTCGAAC |


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| SNP_305 | scaffold00368 | 139881 | 7 | CCCTCACTTCCTTTCTTG CCGCAGTTGCCATAATA ACTCTTTTCTATCTC | [T/C] | GCTCTTTCTCTCTCTCCT TATTTTCACTCTCTAACA TAGCTTATTATTTT |
| SNP_306 | scaffold00050 | 1464990 | 6 | GAGTTCCACATAGTTGC CACTCCTTTAACTTGCGT TTGCTTACTTGAGTG | [A/T] | CTCAACCTCTAACTCAA CCCCCATATTGACTGAC ATATCACCAACAACAA |
| SNP_307 | scaffold00655 | 42434 | ND | GCCAAATAGAACAGTTA GAGGCTACGAACTCATC GAGGATATAAAAAAGG | [C/T] | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TGTGGAGGAAATTTGTC } \\ & \text { CAGAAGTTGTTTCTTGT } \\ & \text { GCCGACATAATTGTCA } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| SNP_308 | scaffold00150 | 211781 | 5 | TAGATCTCTGCATTTGTT AAATTCGAAGGACGAG GAGTGGTAGAGGAAAA | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{T}$ ] | CCATGAGACCTTCTTGA GAAGATATCAGACCTTG ATGCATTTGATCTGCG |
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| SNP_311 | scaffold00098 | 439574 | 7 | AAGACAAAAAGAAAAT CCAGCTGGAAAATTTAG TTACATATTGGGGAAGT | [G/A] | CTTCGTCCATTTCTTGAG GTTCGAGACTTCGAGTA CCAAGCTTTAAAAGC |
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| SNP_313 | scaffold00269 | 348820 | 9 | AATAAAAGCTCTATCTA TAAACAACCTTGTCTCT CAAGTCTTTTTAAATT | [A/G] | CTCTAAGCCTTACTTTTG CCATTGCAAAAATCCTA CAGGCTACAGACATA |
| SNP_314 | scaffold00267 | 462805 | 3 | CATACACTGTATTTTCA GCTTTTCTACACATGTG СТTTCCCCACCAACTC | [C/G] | TAAGCCAACCCATATCT TCCACCGAAATCTTCTC TTCTTTACAACGTGGC |
| SNP_315 | scaffold00032 | 626158 | 6 | TCTCTCCTCAACCAAGA ACCTCAGCTCGCTGAAC CACCATCAACACCAGC | [G/A] | CCAACACCATCTCCGTC GCCTCTTCCGCCAAATC CTTCTTCCGGCAGCCC |
| SNP_316 | scaffold00008 | 859955 | 7 | TTCGGGTAATCAGATTT CTCACCTCAATCTCTTG AATTTGCTTGTATCAA | [G/T] | TTTTCGCAATGTCGATG ATTCAATGTTTCGAATC CTATTTTGATCGCATT |
| SNP_317 | scaffold00358 | 329576 | 4 | ACCATTGTTTTATTCCAG GCTCTTCAACCTTCATA ACTAGCAATCTATCC | [ $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{C}$ ] | AGTCCAGGATAAGCAGT TTAGATTTCAGATACCC GAAATATCAGATACCC |
| SNP_318 | scaffold00267 | 463481 | 3 | TTTATGATTAAAGTGTA TTTGTAGAATGTATGGA ATAGCCTTGAGACATT | [A/C] | GTTAAAAAAAGTTATTT TTTCACCATTACAAACA AGTGCAAAAATCCACT |
| SNP_319 | scaffold00098 | 439480 | 7 | TAAAAGCATATCAAAAT CATATACAAATTGAAAA CTTGCTTAAGAAAATA | [T/G] | CCAAAAAATTCTGATTG AAAAGGATGGTTGAAGT AACTTGTAGTTGGGAA |
| SNP_320 | scaffold00358 | 34217 | 4 | TTAGAAGATTCAGTCCT CTTAGGTAAAAGAATAG GGTTAATATTCGGCAA | [T/A] | ACTCCACCATGTGCAAT TGTAACACCATGAAGAA GCTTTCCAAGTTCATC |
| SNP_321 | scaffold00665 | 89867 | 3 | ATTTGTGTTATATATACC ACAACAAAATGTCATGA ACAAAAAGGCATTCA | [T/C] | AACGGCTATAAATTAGG AACGTCTCATGAATTTA CATATAACATGAATTC |
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| SNP_324 | scaffold00182 | 622207 | 6 | TGGGATGATTTTTTTGTT GTTCATGGTTAAGAGGA TAGGTGAGAAAACAT | [T/A] | GTGGGGGTGCTATTCTT TTAGAGAGAGAAAGTTA GAAAGAGAGCGGGATG |
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| SNP_334 | scaffold00248 | 336355 | ND | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { CAATTTTACTCCTAGAG } \\ & \text { AAAATGATTTGATACTT } \\ & \text { TATTGCACAACCAAAT } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | [A/G] | ATGTAAAATTGAAAATA GATGAAAATAGTTTTTT AAGAAAATGTTTTACA |
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| SNP_338 | scaffold00134 | 750672 | 7 | TCTATCCATACAACCCG ATCCCCACTCTTCCTTGG CCTCGAATCCACCTC | [T/C] | ACTAGATCCAACACCAC CTCCTTACTCGAGGAAT CTGATTTTGGGTCGGA |
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| SNP_380 | scaffold00588 | 228423 | 6 | TATCTATATATATATAT <br> ATATAAGGATAGGAGTT <br> AGCTCAAGTGGGTAGA | [A/G] | CGCTCCCCCTTGGCACT <br> TGAGATCAGGGGTTCGA <br> TCCTTACTCCCAATGC |
| SNP_381 | scaffold00048 | 391583 | 9 | ACAAACACACAAAAACT <br> CAAAAAACAAACAGAA <br> AACTCTGACAAATGGAT | [T/C] | CTCGCCAATTATCAGCT <br> TTTCTCTCTTCTCTAATC <br> TCTCAACTCACTCTC |
| SNP_382 | scaffold00282 | 369903 | ND | TTGTACACTTGCAAGAA <br> TAGAGTTTTATAACTTG <br> TTTAAAATCGCCATTA | [C/A] | TAGGTACTAGCAAATCC <br> CCTTTCATCCAAAAGAA <br> CGAAAATAAAGGAATG |
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| SNP_384 | scaffold00130 | 415635 | 4 | GTTCACTGCCTACTCATT <br> GATTTAGAGGTATAACT <br> CATTAATTTAAAAAG | [A/G] | CTACCCATTTTTTAACCC <br> TCTAATATCAGCAAAAT <br> CTTCAACTTCAAACC |

## CONTRIBUTE 2

# Molecular genotyping of Rizor and Holly rhizomania resistances in sugar beet 

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#### Abstract

Rhizomania is the most damaging and widespread disease of the sugar beet crop and is caused by Beet necrotic yellow vein virus (BNYVV) vectored by the fungus Polymyxa betae. The only disease management tool used is resistant varieties. In the last 30 years, Rizor and Holly (Rz1) resistances have been the most widely used. Despite the lack of information, a common origin for both types of resistance was hypothesized by some breeders. The aim of this study was to assess the phylogenetic relationship between Rizor and Rz1 by means of SNP analysis. Fifty leaf samples of each were genotyped with a fingerprinting panel of 192 SNPs, using the QuantStudio 12K Flex system coupled with Taqman OpenArray technology. Analysis of molecular variance (AMOVA) and principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) confirmed that Rizor and Rz1 cannot be distinguished as separate sources of resistance.


Keywords: sugar beet, rhizomania resistance, Rizor, Holly, Rz1, SNP genotyping

Note: Rizor, Rz1, and Rz2 written in roman letters refer to the genetic resistances. If written in italics, $R z 1$ and $R z 2$ mean the dominant genes carrying the resistance.

## Introduction

Rhizomania in sugar beet (Beta vulgaris L. subsp. vulgaris) is caused by Beet necrotic yellow vein virus (BNYVV) carried and inoculated by the plasmodiophoral fungus Polymyxa betae (Canova 1959; Tamada and Baba 1973). The disease is the most damaging factor for the crop in every cultivation area (McGrann et al. 2009; Pavli et al. 2011). The only method for reducing the damage is the use of resistant varieties, which in many cases ensures the survival of the crop and the related industry (Biancardi et al. 2002). The development of genotypes with genetic resistance to rhizomania is one of the most significant successes not only in sugar beet breeding (Rush et al. 2006).

The first breeding programme for rhizomania resistance began around 1968 in Italy (Gentili and Poggi 1986), when it was evident that a satisfactory degree of genetic variability for resistance to rhizomania existed in commercial germplasm (Bongiovanni and Lanzoni 1964). Plants and genotypes with fewer symptoms of the disease and almost normal root weight and sugar content were selected. These screenings led to the isolation of the multigenic resistance named Alba type (Lewellen and Biancardi 1990). The source was identified in Munerati's germplasm, which had been derived from crosses with sea beet [Beta vulgaris L. subsp. maritima (L.) Arcang.] collected in the Po River Delta (Munerati and Zapparoli 1913; Biancardi et al. 2012).

In 1982, at the SES-Italy breeding station, De Biaggi (1987) developed another type of resistance, which showed a better level of protection than Alba, and two years later the variety Rizor was released. The resistance called Rizor type was classified as monogenic and dominant because the seed of the hybrid variety was harvested on susceptible female parent. The origins of the trait were unclear, although the SES breeders were confident that the resistance derived from Munerati's germplasm acquired by SESItaly around 1950. This origin was supported by the moderate resistance to Cercospora leaf spot (CLS) shown by the first releases of the variety Rizor (De Biaggi 1987). It is well known that the only CLS resistance available was identified by Munerati and introgressed from sugar beet x sea beet crosses (Skaracis and Biancardi 2000).

In 1983, Erichsen observed very poor growth and diffuse yellowing of the leaves in a variety trial conducted by Holly Sugar at Tracy, California (Lewellen et al. 1987). Only some experimental hybrids, produced by different pollinators and the same female parent
appeared normal. After ELISA analyses, the trial resulted uniformly infected by BNYVV (Duffus et al. 1984). A year later, similar results were obtained at Salinas by Lewellen et al. (1987). The O-Type/CMS lines Holly 1-4 carrying the resistance were released in Europe in 1986, and the monogenic and dominant resistance coded Rz1 became the most widely used source, rapidly replacing the Rizor one (Rush et al. 2006). Attempts to discover the origin of the resistant gene were unsuccessful (Lewellen and Biancardi 1990). It was speculated that the trait was derived from Italian accessions, likely the CLS resistant line Ro 581, which was incorporated around 1935 into the germplasm of the USDA-ARS Stations and other American seed companies (Lewellen and Biancardi 1990).

Lewellen et al. (1987) found another source of resistance in sea beet accession WB42 (PI 546385), harvested in 1969 at Kalundborg Fjord, Denmark, by Lund (Doney and Whitney 1990). The trait did not fit completely the segregation pattern of a single dominant major gene, and was transferred into the high yielding pollinator C 79 , which displayed a better resistance level than Rz1 (Rush et al. 2006). The gene, coded Rz2 by Scholten et al. (1999), was localized on chromosome III at the genetic distance of 20-35 cM from Rz1. The different mapping position of the genes carrying the resistances Rz1 and Rz2 ensures their diversity and provides some heterotic effect on sugar yield after crossing (Amiri et al. 2003). This effect is missing in crosses Rizor x Rz1 likely due to their closer genetic distance, which was quantified as 5 cM by Grimmer et al. (2007).

Several researches have been published addressing the differences and effects of Rz1 and Rz2 (Scholten et al. 1996; Biancardi et al. 2002), but no decisive paper has investigated the hypothesized identity between Rizor and Rz1. The aim of this study was to establish, by means of SNP analysis, the presence or absence of common characteristics or phylogenetic relationships between the above-mentioned resistances.

## Material and methods

## Plant material, DNA isolation, and SNP genotyping:

The following sugar beet accessions were used: i) 2281/79, a resistant diploid pollinator used as source of the Rizor resistance; ii) Holly 1-4, a cytoplasmic male sterile (CMS) lines used commercially as source of the Rz1 resistance; iii) RoMS1: a susceptible male sterile (CMS) line used as internal check. The seed, provided by CRA, Rovigo, Italy,
and DAFNAE Department (University of Padova, Italy), was planted in small pots to allow the development of the plantlets in controlled conditions. Leaf samples from 50 plants per genotype were collected individually 30 days after emergence and DNA was extracted and quantified as described by Stevanato et al. (2014). Genotyping was performed for 192 SNPs validated in genetic diversity studies of sugar beet (Stevanato et al. 2014). SNPs were genotyped using the QuantStudio 12K Flex real-time PCR system and OpenArray technology (Life Technologies, California, USA). Samples consisting of 10 ng DNA were mixed with $2.5 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of TaqMan OpenArray Genotyping Master Mix in a 384 -well plate. Samples were loaded subsequently onto the OpenArray plate using the QuantStudio 12 K FlexOpenArray AccuFill System. Following PCR, allelic discrimination results were analysed using the Taqman Genotyper software (ver.1.0.1).

## Data analysis:

Analysis of molecular variance (AMOVA) was performed to describe the genetic variation among and within accessions. Genetic distances (Dst) (Nei 1978) were also calculated. To present a graphical representation of genetic relationships between accessions, a principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) was conducted on the genetic distance matrix. Dst, AMOVA and PCoA analysis were done using $a d$ hoc scripts and the package GenABEL in the R programming environment, version 2.12.2.

## Results and discussion

Previous studies led to hypothesize a simularity between Rizor and Rz1: i) according to Barzen et al. (1997) and Meulemans et al. (2003), the resistances were due to the same major gene with incomplete dominance and interactions with both minor or modifying genes in the presence of different genetic backgrounds; ii) Scholten et al. (1999), analyzing the segregation and backcross patterns between the Salinas line R104 and Holly 1-4 (Rz1), indicated the identical position on chromosome III for both resistance loci. Because line R104 is derived from the sea beet accession Ro 701, collected in 1978 by De Biaggi and Biancardi in the same location as the original Munerati's sea beet samples, the identity Rizor = Rz1 was indirectly hypothesized (Biancardi et al. 2002; Biancardi and Tamada, in press); iii) Giorio et al. (1997) came to a similar conclusion.

The 192 SNP markers showed an average genotyping error rate of $0.2 \%$, which indicate their high call rate (Stevanato et al. 2014). Although the sugar beet crop shows a relatively
narrow genetic base (Panella and Lewellen 2007), the discovery of a large number of genomic SNP markers has made it possible to conduct extensive molecular surveys to assess the genetic variability among and within genotypes (Stevanato et al. 2014).

The analysis of molecular variance (AMOVA) showed that the majority of genetic variability is within the accessions (97.89\%) (Table 1). Genetic distance (Dst) between Rizor and Rzl accessions is very low, ranging around an average of 0.024 . This value is much lower than what was found between these accessions and RoMS1 (average Dst = $0.44)$. The absence of genetic differences between Rizor and Rz1 accessions suggests that these genotypes could have had a common ancestor in their pedigree, as hypothesized by Scholten et al. (1999) and Biancardi et al. (2012) (Figure 1). The genetic relationship among the accessions is supported by the PCoA analysis, which explains $41 \%$ of the total genetic variance (Figure 2). The graphical representation of PCoA analysis shows that the Rizor and Rz1 single beets are clustered in the same group, thus confirming the AMOVA analyses. This means that the Rizor and Holly (Rz1) resistances cannot be distinguished as separate traits.

The molecular results demonstrate that the resistances to rhizomania used by the farmers over the last 30 years derived from sea beet collected by Munerati in the Po River Delta. The differences between Rizor and Holly resistances depend only on the diverse genetic background and breeding procedures.

Table 1. Analysis of molecular variance (AMOVA) for variation among and within Rizor, Holly and RoMS1 accessions.

| Source of variation | Variance component | Percentage <br> variation | of P |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Between accessions | 0.067 | $2.11 \%$ | 0.410 |
| Within accessions | 0.153 | $97.89 \%$ | $<0.01$ |
| Total | 0.518 |  |  |

Figure 1. Genealogy of the first utilized rhizomania resistances.




Official and private breeding centres stations
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? Supposed exchange
*Released genotypes ; (year of release)

Figure 2. Principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) of Rizor ( ${ }^{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}$ ), Holly ( ${ }^{\circ}$ ) and RoMS1 $\left({ }^{\boldsymbol{\nabla}}\right.$ ) accessions based on the genetic distance matrix derived from SNP markers.


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## CONTRIBUTE 3

# Identification and validation of a SNP marker linked to the gene HsBvm-1 for nematode resistance in sugar beet 

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#### Abstract

The beet-cyst nematode (Heterodera schachtii Schmidt) is one of the major pests of sugar beet. The identification of molecular markers associated with nematode tolerance would be helpful for developing tolerant varieties. The aim of this study was to identify Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP) markers linked to nematode tolerance from the Beta vulgaris ssp. maritima source WB242. A WB242-derived $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ population was phenotyped for host-plant nematode reaction revealing a $3: 1$ segregation ratio of the tolerant and susceptible phenotypes and suggesting the action of a gene designated as HsBvm-1. Bulked Segregant Analysis (BSA) was used. The most tolerant and susceptible individuals were pooled and subjected to Restriction-site Associated DNA Sequencing (RAD-Seq) analysis, which identified 7,241 SNPs. A subset of 384 candidate SNPs segregating between bulks were genotyped on the 20 most-tolerant and most-susceptible individuals, identifying a single marker (SNP192) showing complete association with nematode tolerance. Segregation of SNP192 confirmed the inheritance of tolerance by a single gene. This association was further validated on a set of 26 commercial tolerant and susceptible varieties, showing the presence of the SNP192 WB242-type allele only in the tolerant varieties. We identified and mapped on chromosome 5 the first nematode tolerance gene (HsBvm-1) from Beta vulgaris ssp. maritima and released information on SNP192, a linked marker valuable for high-throughput, marker-assisted breeding of nematode tolerance in sugar beet.


Keywords: HsBvm-1, Beta vulgaris ssp. maritima, biotic stresses, beet-cyst nematode, WB242 genetic tolerance, SNP

## Introduction

Sugar beet (Beta vulgaris L.) provides about a third of all sugar consumed worldwide (Biancardi et al. 2010). The crop is damaged by many different diseases and the identification of molecular markers associated with disease resistance would be helpful for developing resistant varieties. Among molecular markers, SNPs (Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms) present several advantages with respect to other genetic marker types. SNPs are the most abundant genetic markers available in sugar beet and a wide array of technologies have been developed to very quickly genotype large numbers of SNPs in DNA samples (Stevanato et al. 2013). The development of a large set of SNP markers could facilitate the identification and exploitation of genes affecting important traits. Several techniques are used to enable SNP marker discovery in plants. Among them, the Restriction-site Associated DNA (RAD) technique is widely used (Miller et al. 2007). The RAD technique is based on acquiring and characterizing the genomic regions adjacent to a set of specific restriction enzyme recognition sites (Davey et al. 2011). The Bulk Segregant Analysis (BSA) is a method for identifying DNA markers linked to genes or genomic regions of interest (Michelmore et al. 1991). DNA samples from individuals showing contrasting phenotype are compared with a large set of molecular markers to identify those linked to the trait of interest. Among sugar beet diseases, a major constraint to production is beet-cyst nematode (Heterodera schachtii Schmidt). The disease is spread over 40 sugar beet growing countries (McCarter 2008). It causes yield losses up to $60 \%$ and typical symptoms are massive proliferation of secondary roots and the weak development of the beets (Biancardi et al. 2010). Management of nematodes is becoming harder because nematicides are no longer available (Thurau et al. 2010). Also, wide crop rotations with non-host plants (e.g. wheat, barley, corn, beans and alfalfa) often are not economically practical (Kleine et al. 1998). In this context, the introduction of nematode tolerance into sugar beet is an efficient management measure available for nematodes (Jung et al. 1998). Numerous nematode resistance genes have been identified from plants that exhibit resistance against nematodes. In sugar beet, the first cloned nematode resistance gene Hsl gene has been introduced from the wild species Patellifolia procumbens (Cai et al. 1997). An effective nematode-tolerant source was also found in sea beet (Beta vulgaris subspecies maritima (L.) Arcang.) accession WB242, collected at Loire River Estuary in France (Biancardi et al. 2012). The aim of this study was the development of SNP molecular markers linked to nematode tolerance found in WB242. To achieve this aim, a BSA strategy combining advanced DNA technologies (RAD-sequencing and high-throughput

SNP genotyping) was used.

## Material and methods

## Plant material:

To identify SNP markers linked to the nematode tolerance of the Beta vulgaris ssp. maritima source, WB242, a segregating $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ population was developed by crossing the tolerant pollinator (WB242) with a nematode susceptible male sterile line (CMS_1). Seeds of the WB242 line were obtained from the USDA-ARS, NPA, Sugarbeet Research Unit, Crops Research Laboratory at Fort Collins (USA) and seeds of the CMS_1 line were provided by CRA-Research Institute for Industrial Crops (Rovigo, Italy). Seeds derived from individual $\mathrm{F}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ plants were produced during 2011 and 2012, respectively, at the University of Padova (Italy). In addition to the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ population, a set of 13 tolerant and 13 susceptible commercial varieties, provided by BETA SCARL (Ferrara, Italy), were used to further examine the association between phenotypic tolerance and markers identified in this study. Greenhouse trials carried out in the period 2005-2009 by BETA SCARL showed that the number of cysts detected in the tolerant varieties, under nematode infection, was averaging $50 \%$ lower than that in the susceptible varieties.

## Phenotyping analysis:

A total of $384 \mathrm{~F}_{2}$ plants were grown in the greenhouse of the USDA-ARS, Crop Improvement and Protection Research Unit at Salinas, CA (USA). $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ seeds were germinated in pasteurized sand and transplanted into Ray Leach Cone-tainers (Stuewe \& Sons, Inc., USA) filled with naturally nematode infested soil adjusted to 20 cysts per gram. Seventy-day-old seedlings were removed from cones and roots were rinsed with water over sieves to remove soil. Cysts were collected and washed into a sample container. The cyst solution was poured into a watch glass and the number of cysts in the soil was counted under a dissecting microscope to assess the level of nematode tolerance. The tolerant (WB242) and susceptible (CMS_1) parental lines also were included in the analysis as internal controls.

## DNA isolation:

DNA was isolated with the BioSprint 96 DNA Plant Kit (Qiagen, Germany) in a BioSprint 96 workstation (Qiagen, Germany) following the manufacturer's instructions.

Leaf samples were ground using a Qiagen TissueLyser (Qiagen). Briefly, 20 mg of leaf tissue were placed into 2 ml tubes and $300 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of RLT buffer (guanidine thiocyanate buffer under patent protection) were added to each sample. One stainless steel 5 mm bead was used for every sample, which was then homogenized for 10 min at 30 Hz . Samples were centrifuged at $6,000 \mathrm{~g}$ for 5 minutes and supernatant loaded into a 96 -well plate with 200 $\mu \mathrm{l}$ of isopropanol and $20 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of magnetic beads suspension. The beads were transferred consecutively into four other plates each with a premix, followed by a 4 minutes binding step and one bead collection step. The first plate was loaded with RPW buffer (guanidine thiocyanate buffer under patent protection). The second and third plates were loaded with $500 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of $96 \%$ ethanol. The fourth plate was loaded with $500 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of $0.02 \%(\mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v})$ of Tween 20. DNA was eluted with $200 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of sterile milli-Q water. After isolation, DNA was assayed for concentration and purity by microfluidic gel electrophoresis with the Agilent 2200 TapeStation system (Agilent Technologies, CA, USA). The average DNA yield was $50 \mathrm{ng} \mu \mathrm{l}^{-1}$ with an average 260:280 ratio of 1.85.

## Linked-SNP discovery by RAD-BSA:

Based on the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ nematode tolerance analysis, normalized DNAs of the 4 most tolerant (T) and susceptible (S) samples were pooled for Bulked Segregant Analysis (BSA), to form the tolerant and susceptible bulks, respectively. Samples were sent to FLORAGENEX (Oregon, USA), which carried out the Restriction-Associated DNA (RAD) analysis following the methods outlined by Pegadaraju et al. 2013. Initially, $2 \times 60$ bp sequence data produced from an Illumina Genome Analyzer II was sorted by the appropriate multiplex index (MID) or barcode assigned to each sample during RAD-Seq library construction. Reads from the T samples were selected for RAD paired end sequence assembly. First, reads were trimmed to remove low quality sequences with an average phred-scaled quality score below 25 (Q25) at the 3' end of reads. Reads passing these filters were then collapsed into RAD sequence clusters sharing $100 \%$ sequence identity across the first 50 bp of the single end Illumina read. To maximize efficient assembly of sequences we imposed a minimum of 20 x and maximum 1000x sequence coverage at any RAD sequence cluster. The paired end sequences meeting these criteria were extracted for each RAD cluster and then passed to the Velvet sequence assembler for contig assembly. Sequence reads from S samples were then aligned to reference assembly for T samples using Bowtie. Alignment thresholds were specified which allowed up to 3 base pair mismatches between the Illumina read and the reference and only unique
alignments between query and reference were considered. Putative sequence variants from the alignments were then called using SAMtools. To be considered for genotyping design, a SNP had to have a minimum phred scaled genotype quality of 15 across each of the 3 samples, with at least 50 bp of flanking genomic sequence surrounding the target SNP. Variants with nearby flanking polymorphisms within 50 bp of the candidate marker were also excluded from further consideration for genotyping design. Additionally contigs assembled from T samples containing sequence polymorphisms meeting the criteria above were aligned to the sugar beet reference genome (version RefBeet-0.9; http://bvseq.molgen.mpg.de), allowing for a maximum of a single mismatch, to provide a genomic anchor and location for the newly discovered SNP.

## Linked-SNP validation by genotyping:

From the SNP discovery analysis a total of 384 candidate SNPs were selected for validation. Genotyping was performed on the 20 most tolerant and most susceptible single $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ individuals. SNPs were screened using the QuantStudio 12K Flex Real-Time PCR System and OpenArray technology (Life Technologies, CA, USA). A total of 10 ng of DNA sample was mixed with $2.5 \mu$ of TaqMan OpenArray Genotyping Master Mix in a 384-well plate. Samples were subsequently loaded onto the OpenArray plate using the QuantStudio 12K FlexOpenArray AccuFill System. Following PCR, allelic discrimination results were analyzed using the Taqman Genotyper software (Ver.1.0.1).

## Statistical and linkage analysis:

Frequency distribution of the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ population was tested for normality using the Shapiro-Wilk tests (Conover, 1980). A $\chi^{2}$-test was used to compare observed and expected ratios in the $F_{2}$ generation. Combining phenotypic and genotypic data, 384 SNP markers were genotyped on $384 \mathrm{~F}_{2}$ individuals to construct a genetic map. JoinMap® version 4.1 was used for linkage analysis and map calculations. Marker order and genetic distance were calculated using the Kosambi mapping function (Van Ooijen, 2011). The critical thresholds adopted for the analysis was a LOD score of 5.0.

## Results

## Nematode tolerance analysis:

The frequency distribution of number of nematode cysts in the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ progeny and in
the parental lines is shown in Figure 1. The mean number of cysts present in the tolerant (WB_242) and susceptible (CMS_1) controls were 22 and 130, respectively, while the distribution of cyst counts among the $384 \mathrm{~F}_{2}$ individuals ranged from 0 to 159 and was distributed according to the normal distribution (Shapiro-Wilk's, test; $P<0.05$ ).

Figure 1. Frequency of distribution of cysts nematode in the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ progenies and calls of the candidate linked marker SNP192 (resistant homozygous: C/C; susceptible homozygous: G/G).


## Linked-SNP discovery by RAD-BSA:

From the RAD sequencing analysis, a total of $98,975,012$ raw reads was obtained from the two bulks, of which $82,031,123$ were of high quality ( $82.7 \%$ ). These reads were aligned and yielded a total of 266,723 unique consensus RAD-tags common between bulks, with an average $150 \times$ coverage per bulk sample. The SNP discovery pipeline identified a total of 7,241 high quality SNPs, of which 384 , mainly polymorphic between bulks, were selected for further analysis as markers putatively linked with nematode tolerance loci.

## Linked SNP validation by genotyping:

Validation of the 384 putative SNP selected from the RAD-BSA analysis was performed by individually genotyping the 20 most-tolerant and most-susceptible $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ samples. By comparing SNP genotyping data, a single marker (SNP192) showed complete association with nematode tolerance for all individuals analyzed, whereas no significant association was found for the other SNPs. SNP192, found on scaffold00252 of the RefBeet- 0.9 reference genome, was mapped on chromosome 5 (Figure 2).

Scoring all the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ individuals with the SNP192, identified in this study, showed tolerant homozygous (G/G) individuals with an average of 39 cysts/plant, tolerant heterozygous (G/C) individuals with an average of 61 cysts/plant and susceptible homozygous (C/C) with an average of 101 cysts/plant. Moreover, the genotyping analysis of the candidate linked marker SNP192 confirmed that the resulting ratio of segregation was consistent with that of a dose-effect single gene (Table 1). The SNP192 association pattern was confirmed further on a set of 260 individuals representing 26 genotypes ( 10 individuals each) from 13 tolerant and 13 susceptible commercial varieties. In all tested individuals, a complete association of the marker with phenotypic tolerance was observed, with tolerant and susceptible varieties being heterozygous ( $\mathrm{G} / \mathrm{C}$ ) and homozygous ( $\mathrm{C} / \mathrm{C}$ ), respectively (Table 2). The two alleles of the SNP192 and its flanking sequences on each side of the SNP are reported as supplementary material (Table S1). Also, the sequences of the primers and TaqMan probes designed for the detection of the SNP192 are available as supplementary material (Table S2).

Figure 2. Genetic map of SNP markers on chromosome 5.


Table 1. Observed and expected ratios of resistant (R) and susceptible (S) plants in the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ population.

| No. of plants | 384 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Expected ratio (R:S) | $3: 1$ |
| Observed ratio (R:S) | $296: 88$ |
| Chi-square | 0.888 ns |

Table 2. Segregation analysis for observed ratios of the SNP_ $^{2} 192$ marker in the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ population.

| Marker | Observed <br> markers in $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ population | $\chi 2$ <br> $1: 2: 1$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $T / T$ | $T / G$ | $G G$ |  |
| SNP_192 | 89 | 210 | 85 | 3.46 ns |

## Discussion

This study was designed to identify SNP markers linked to nematode tolerance by means of BSA analysis. This aim was achieved through the following main steps: (i) the phenotyping analysis of $384 \mathrm{~F}_{2}$ individuals for nematode tolerance, (ii) the RADsequencing of DNAs of tolerant and susceptible plants, and (iii) the high-throughput SNP genotyping of the 20 most-tolerant and the 20 most-susceptible individuals with newly discovered candidate SNPs.

## Phenotype analysis:

The phenotype analysis revealed that the segregation ratio of the number of the cysts in the population supported that nematode tolerance was controlled by a single gene. The gene was designated here as HsBvm-l being the first gene for tolerance to Heterodera schachtii from Beta vulgaris L. maritima. Also, it is the first gene for tolerance to nematode mapped on chromosome 5. Other monogenic sources of resistance to nematodes have been found in Patellifolia procumbens and Patellifolia webbiana: Hsl on the homologous chromosomes 1 of each species, $H s 2$ on the homologous chromosomes 7 of $P$. procumbens and $P$. webbiana and $H s 3$ on chromosome 8 of $P$. webbiana (Thurau et al.
2010). The transfer of the beet cyst nematode resistance from Patellifolia species to cultivated beet was made by species hybridization (Panella and Lewellen, 2007) although the transmission rate was very low due to meiotic disturbances (Brandes et al. 1987). In sugar beet, some other important disease resistance traits are inherited as single genes. The Rizor-type resistance to rhizomania was recognized as monogenic and dominant (Biancardi et al. 2002). Also the resistance to Aphanomyces was designated as monogenic and dominant (Taguchi et al. 2010).

## RAD-SNP discovering:

The phenotyping analysis allowed the identification of two tolerant and susceptible groups that were subsequently submitted to RAD-sequencing. This technique was efficiently used to identify over 7,000 SNPs with the aim of development of an appropriate panel of SNP markers for the BSA analysis. Analogously, this approach allowed the identification of more than 10,000 SNPs to fingerprint different eggplant genotypes (Barchi et al. 2011). In barley, RAD technique was applied to construct a linkage map and to detect SNPs linked to QTLs for reproductive traits (Chutimanitsakun et al. 2011).

## Bulked segregant analysis (BSA):

The BSA analysis allowed the identification of a SNP linked to nematode tolerance that can be used in the breeding programs. Additionally, BSA has been successfully used in sugar beet for identifying markers linked to important traits of interest such as rhizomania (Pelsy and Merdinoglu 1996), male sterility (Touzet et al. 2004) and root elongation rate (Stevanato et al. 2010). The mapping of this SNP marker on the sugar beet reference genome (version RefBeet-0.9) allowed the precise localization of the HsBvm-1 locus. Finally, SNP192 showed a complete association with the phenotypic tolerance in a total of 384 genotyped $F_{2}$ individuals. The genotyping of commercial tolerant and susceptible varieties with SNP192 confirmed its association with nematode tolerance. All individuals from the tolerant varieties showed the SNP192 allele corresponding to the tolerant heterozygote allelic status, suggesting that they shared the same tolerance source HsBvm-1 from sea beet accession WB242. An analogous assumption has been suggested for the monogenic resistances to rhizomania derived from sea beet (Holly and WB42), which are present in the current resistant varieties (Biancardi et al. 2002).

## Conclusion

A SNP marker (SNP192) showing a complete association to the nematode tolerance gene HsBvm-1, was identified by the successfully use of the BSA approach. As previously seen, this study revealed that sea beet is an invaluable source of resistances for sugar beet breeding. The SNP192 and the related TaqMan discrimination assay are recommended for high-throughput marker-assisted breeding of nematode tolerance in sugar beet. The use of this molecular marker linked to nematode tolerance is advantageous with respect to conventional selection, which requires time-consuming steps and higher breeding costs.

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Supplementary material S1. Flanking genomic sequences of SNPs mapped on scaffold00252 (RefBeet0.9).

| SNP ID | Flanking - 5' | SNP | Flanking - 5' |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SNP192 | TGTTTAGTCTTTTGTACAGGCTTGAGCT <br> GTTTGGCTATATATGTGGCCTG | [C/G] | TAGTTGTATACCCTGTCATTTAGATGCG <br> TTATAGGTGTTGATATATGATT |

Supplementary material S2. Sequences of the designed primers and TaqMan probes for detection of the SNP192.

| Assay ID | Forward <br> Primer Seq. | Reverse <br> Primer Seq. | Reporter <br> 1 Dye | Reporter 1 <br> Sequence | Reporter 2 <br> Dye | Reporter 2 <br> Sequence |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SNP192 | CAGGCTTGAGCT <br> GTTTGGCTATATA | CCTATAACGCAT <br> CTAAATGACAGGGT | VIC | ATACAACTA <br> GCAGGCCAC | FAM | ATACAACTAC <br> CAGGCCAC |

## CONTRIBUTE 4

# A new polymorphism on chromosome 6 associated with bolting tendency in sugar beet 

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#### Abstract

Premature flowering or bolting is an undesirable characteristic that causes severe sugar yield losses and interferes with harvesting. Vernalization is a prerequisite for the floral induction, achieved by exposure to low temperatures for $10-14$ weeks. This process is also controlled by other environmental factors, such as long daylight photoperiods and a combination of genetic factors. The objective of this study was the identification of new genetic polymorphisms linked to bolting tendency in sugar beet.

Two pollinators characterized by low and high bolting tendency were subjected to RADsequencing in order to detect discriminating SNPs between lines. 6,324 putative SNPs were identified. Of these, 192 were genotyped in a set of 19 pollinators, each comprising bolted and non-bolted individuals, for a total of 987 samples. Among the 192 candidate SNPs, the strongest overall association was found for SNP183 on chromosome 6 ( $p$-value= $1.246 \cdot 10^{-13}$ ). The association between SNP183 and bolting tendency was then confirmed in an independent population of 730 plants from 11 breeding lines ( $p$-value= 0.0061 ). SNP183 is located in the intron of $B v_{-} 22330 \_o r k y$, a sugar beet homolog of a matrix metalloproteinase (MMP) gene that could be implied in flowering in Arabidopsis thaliana. Our data support a significant association between an intronic SNP in the MMP gene located on chromosome 6 and the regulation of bolting tendency in sugar beet. The newly identified locus supports the polygenic nature of flowering control. The associated marker can be used to design SNP panels for the discrimination of bolters and non-bolters, to be used in sugar beet breeding programs for the development of improved germplasm with low bolting tendency.


Keywords: Bolting tendency, RAD sequencing, SNP association, molecular breeding, Beta vulgaris.

## Introduction

For an effective genetic improvement of sugar beet (Beta vulgaris L.) it is critical to gain a better understanding of the biological processes behind the switch from vegetative growth to floral induction. Premature flowering or bolting is an undesirable characteristic that causes severe sugar yield losses and interferes with harvesting. Under field conditions, cultivated sugar beet is a biennial plant that requires two full growing seasons to switch from the vegetative phase to bolting. Vernalization is a prerequisite for the floral induction, achieved by exposure to low temperatures for 10-14 weeks. This process is also controlled by other environmental factors, such as long daylight photoperiods and a combination of genetic factors. Sugar beet bolting tendency is known to be influenced genetically by the $B$ locus, mapped on chromosome 2. Homozygous plants at the $B$ locus ( $B B$ ) initiate bolting under long day conditions whereas plants carrying recessive alleles in the homozygous state ( $b b$ ) need vernalization for floral induction. Environmental and genetic factors strongly influence heterozygous plants $(B b)$ that show a more complex behaviour. $B b$ plants bolting without vernalization show a delay in bolting time compared to $B B$ individuals. The $B$ locus was recently found to correspond to the BOLTING TIME CONTROL 1 (BTC1) gene. Biennial plants, which do not flower without a period of vernalization, carry a partial loss of function BTC1 allele. A second locus (B2) mapped on chromosome 9 and acting epistatically with the $B$ locus was also associated with bolting behaviour. $B v B B X 19$, encoding a DOUBLE B-BOX TYPE ZINC FINGER protein B-box transcription factor was found to underlie the $B 2$ locus.

Given the known complexity of floral regulation in model species it is likely that additional genes influence bolting behavior in sugar beet [2]. In Arabidopsis thaliana, FLOWERING LOCUS C (FLC), CONSTANS (CO), and FLOWERING LOCUS T (FT) are key genes controlling flowering. Similar genes also exist in sugar beet: BvFLl on chromosome 6, BvCOL1 on chromosome 2, and BvFT1 and BvFT2 on chromosomes 9 and 4, respectively $B v F T 1$ and $B v F T 2$ are major regulators of bolting in beet and act downstream of the $B$ and $B 2$ locus genes $B T C 1$ and $B v B B X 19$. The $F L C$-like gene $B v F L 1$ is a floral repressor. Its expression is down regulated during a prolonged cold period under long daylight condition. Similarly, CO -like gene BvCOLl reinforces the late flowering phenotype. The functional role of the $F L C$-like and $C O$-like genes suggests a partial
evolutionary conservation in the regulation of floral transition between Arabidopsis and sugar beet.

Due to the highly complex interactions between genotype and environment, initial progress in bolting resistance was obtained by selecting varieties specific for the climates where they would be grown. Selection was based solely on phenotypic observations by discarding early bolting plants, which were considered dominant heterozygous or homozygous at the $B$ locus.

The use of molecular markers can facilitate the detection of unfavorable alleles linked to the bolting tendency, allowing for earlier and more precise selection of nonbolters. Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms (SNPs) are ideal markers for this kind of work since they are spread throughout the genome and represent $90 \%$ of sequence variation among plants. SNP markers have already been applied in sugar beet breeding programs. Additionally, technical progress and the cost reduction of next-generation sequencing (NGS) technology can facilitate the identification of a large number of SNPs in any genomic region of interest. Among NGS techniques, Restriction-site Associated DNA (RAD) sequencing allows the discovery of several thousands of genetic variants adjacent to restriction enzyme cleavage sites across a target genome.

In this paper we suggest the identification of a new putative locus involved in the genetic determination of bolting tendency in sugar beets. Two sugar beet pollinators, P1 and P2, characterized respectively by early- and late-bolting habit were subjected to RADSNP discovery. 192 SNPs were selected for further SNP association analysis. These SNPs were genotyped on a set of 19 pollinators, each comprising bolted and non-bolted individuals, for a total of 987 samples. The association between SNP genotypes and bolting tendency was tested by fitting one SNP at a time in a logistic regression model. A SNP marker associated with bolting tendency was located on chromosome 6. This SNP was then tested in an independent sugar beet population. The novel associated polymorphism provides further indication of the polygenic nature of bolting tendency in sugar beet.

## Material and Methods

## Plant material:

The plant material used in this study was provided by the Department of Agronomy, Food, Natural Resources, Animals, and Environment, University of Padova (DAFNAE, Università degli Studi di Padova, Italy). For SNP discovery, two sugar beet pollinators, P1 and P2, characterized respectively by early- and late-bolting habit, were subjected to RAD-sequencing. The majority of P1 plants started to bolt 5 weeks from sowing while P2 plants started to bolt much later (at 15 weeks) after vernalization and in long-daylight conditions. Both P1 and P2 pollinators carrying the allele for biennial habit at the BTC1 locus in the homozygous state.

For SNP association analysis, 19 sugar beet pollinators segregating for bolting tendency were evaluated. Approximately 1000 seeds per pollinator were sown early (February 22, 2013) in a randomized block design at the Experimental Farm of the University of Padova. As expected, several plants for each pollinator died due to cold stress during the early seedling stage. The surviving plants were inspected every week for onset of bolting until June 30, 2013. Every week plants showing stem elongation were scored as bolting individuals while plants that did not show stem elongation were classified as non-bolting individuals. A leaf sample was collected from each plant. Plants were divided into a group of non-bolted individuals and a group of bolted individuals for a total of 987 samples (Table 1).

Table 1. Sugar beet pollinators used for SNP association analysis.

| Name | Total number of <br> individuals (n) | Number of bolting <br> individuals (n) | Number of non-bolting <br> individuals (n) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 101 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 102 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 103 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 104 | 88 | 13 | 75 |
| 105 | 90 | 15 | 75 |
| 106 | 88 | 29 | 59 |
| 107 | 47 | 10 | 37 |
| 108 | 94 | 29 | 65 |
| 109 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 110 | 95 | 65 | 30 |
| 111 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 112 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 113 | 94 | 64 | 30 |
| 114 | 96 | 66 | 30 |
| 115 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 116 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 117 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| 118 | 95 | 455 | 31 |
| 119 | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| Total | 987 |  | 532 |
|  |  |  |  |

## SNP discovery:

High-quality genomic DNA, from the parental lines (P1 and P2) used for discovery of markers, was extracted from leaf tissue following the procedure described by Stevanato et al. DNA samples were quantified on an Agilent 2200 TapeStation (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, USA). RAD sequencing was performed on two DNA bulks containing respectively 4 non-bolted P1 and 4 bolted P2 plants. All steps, including library preparation, were carried out by Floragenex (Eugene, OR) following the protocol
described by Baird et al. and Stevanato et al. Sequencing was performed on an Illumina HiSeq2000 platform. Raw sequences were trimmed to remove low quality reads, resulting from base-duplication calling, and those that lacked a correct barcode. The reads obtained were compared between the two bulks and the monomorphic sequences were removed. Only sequences with one nucleotide variation between the high and low bolting tendencies and mapped to the reference genome (version RefBeet-1.1; http://bvseq.molgen.mpg.de) were retained.

## SNP genotyping and association mapping:

A set of 192 randomly distributed SNPs was selected for SNP association analysis. These SNPs were tested on a set of 19 pollinators, each comprising bolted and non-bolted individuals, for a total of 987 samples. Genotyping was performed using the Quant Studio 12K Flex Real-Time PCR System and Open Array technology (Life Technologies, CA, USA). The PCR reaction was prepared using $2.5 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of genomic DNA, at a concentration of $10 \mathrm{ng} \mu^{-1}$, added to $2.5 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of TaqMan OpenArray Genotyping Master Mix in a 384 wellplate. Samples from 384 well plate were loaded in the Open Array plate using the AccuFill system. The association between SNP genotypes and bolting tendency was tested by fitting one SNP at a time in a logistic regression model. A logit link function was used in a generalised linear model of the following form:

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\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{logit}\left(p\left(x_{i}\right)\right)=\log \left(\frac{p\left(x_{i}\right)}{1-p\left(x_{i}\right)}\right)=\mu+\text { opulation }_{k}+z_{i j} \text { SNP }_{j} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\operatorname{logit}\left(p\left(x_{i}\right)\right)$ is the log-odds of the probability $p$ for plant $i$ of having either high or low bolting tendency; $\mu$ is the overall trait mean, population $_{k}$ and $S N P_{j}$ are the fixed effects of plant population $k$ ( 19 classes) and SNP locus $j$, with $z_{i j}$ an indicator variable for the genotype of plant $i$ at locus $j$ ( 0,1 and 2 for $\mathrm{AA}, \mathrm{AB}$ and BB ).

## Testing the detected association in an independent sugar beet population:

The detected SNP-bolting association was tested in an independent sugar beet population. The SNP183 was genotyped in 730 individual plants from 11 breeding lines. A TaqMan assay was developed to discriminate rapidly and reliably between the C and T alleles at SNP183 locus. All 730 plants were subjected to long photoperiod (16 h light / 8 h
darkness) and $20.8 \%$ of the plants started to bolt from two weeks after sowing (bolting group), while $79.2 \%$ of plants did not show bolting behavior (non-bolting group). The association between SNP183 and bolting in the validation population was tested with the same logistic regression model used in the discovery population (see Equation (1)).

## Phylogenetic analysis:

Amino acid sequences were aligned with ClustalW and phylogenetic tree was constructed using the neighbour-joining method as implemented in the software Mega version 6 , with 1,000 bootstrap replicates.

## Results

## SNP discovery:

RAD sequencing of the two DNA bulks, including (respectively) 4 non-bolted P1 and 4 bolted P2 plants, produced $96,822,109$ raw reads of which $81,031,436(84 \%)$ were of high quality (longer than 100 nt ) with an average length of 103.26 nt . RAD paired end sequence assembly was created using the P1 reads. Sequences from the P2 bulk were aligned to reference assembly for P1 using Bowtie (parameter: bowtie -f -v 1 ). The aligned reads revealed a total of 288,843 ( $\sim 150 x$ coverage) unique consensus RAD tags common between the two bulks. The SNP discovery pipeline highlighted a total of 6,324 SNPs. Contigs were aligned to the sugar beet reference genome (RefBeet-1.1; http://bvseq.molgen.mpg.de) to exclude SNPs with nearby flanking polymorphisms within 50 bp . A total of 192 polymorphic SNP between bulks, randomly distributed within and across all chromosomes, were selected for the SNP association analysis. The array of 192 SNPs used in this study along with their corresponding sequences are available as Additional File 1: Table S1.

## SNP genotyping and association mapping:

192 SNPs were genotyped on 987 samples from 19 pollinators each comprising both non-bolted and bolted individual plants. The relationship between SNP genotypes and bolting phenotypes was modeled with logistic regression. Among the 192 candidate SNPs, the only significant association was found for SNP183 on chromosome $6\left(P=1.2 \cdot 10^{-13}\right)$. Table 2 reports the analysis of deviance from the logistic regression model (see equation 1 in Methods section) for SNP183. From logistic regression, the probabilities for each plant,
based on the population they belong to and their genotype at SNP183, of either showing or not bolting tendency were obtained. Figure 1 shows the distribution of such probabilities for the three genotypes at locus 183.

To obtain the NCBI Reference Sequence ID for SNP183, a 440 bp long segment centering on SNP183 was PCR amplified, sequenced by a Sanger sequencing platform (ABI 3730xl) and blasted on NCBI. The resulted NCBI ID was XM_010697593.1.

SNP183 was mapped in the sequence of the single intron present in the $B v \_22330 \_$orky gene and it was not mapped in any gene known to be involved in bolting (Christian Jung, pers. comm.). As shown in Methods, SNP183 does not co-segregate with the BTC1 locus on chromosome 2. In addition, though both on chromosome 6, SNP183 and BvFL1 are on different (not anchored) scaffolds (Bvchr6_un.sca007 and Bvchr6.sca027, respectively). Further studies are needed to clarify if SNP183 and BvFLI could co-segregate.

The frequency of the CC genotype was significantly increased in the bolting group (17\% vs. $5 \% ; P=4.4 \cdot 10^{-7}$ ), while the TT genotype was significantly higher in the non-bolting group ( $67 \%$ vs. $49 \% ; P=1.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$ ) (Table 3). The two alleles of the SNP183 and the flanking sequences on each side of the SNP are reported in Additional File 1: Table S1. The sequences of the primers and TaqMan probes designed for the detection of the SNP183 are also given in Additional File 2: Table S2.

The location of SNP183 along the Bv_22330_orky gene sequence is shown in Figure 2. The total length covered by the coding exons is 133 bp and 585 bp and the total length of the intron is 419 bp .

Bv_22330_orky encodes a putative Matrix Metalloproteinase (MMP) causing late flowering and early senescence in Arabidopsis thaliana. In sugar beet, four genes are annotated as MMPs gelatinase $A$ based on the recently annotated genome: Bv5_099660_fneg, Bv1u_021120_ykma, Bv_22320_wuom and Bv_22330_orky.
Five MMPs similar to $B v \_22330 \_$orky were found in Arabidopsis thaliana by BLASTP homology searches, as already reported in Golldack et al. We constructed a phylogenetic tree based on the NJ (neighbour-joining) method, using the full-length protein alignment (Figure 3). Phylogenetic analysis shows the tight clustering, in a separate clade, of Bv_22320_wuom and Bv_22330_orky with $100 \%$ bootstrap support.

Table 2. Analysis of deviance table for a logistic regression model with the effects of pollinator population (19 classes) and genotypes at SNP183 on chromosome 6.

|  | Df | Deviance | Residual Df | Residual Deviance | $p$-value |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NULL |  |  | 929 | 1286 |  |
| Population | 18 | 173.01 | 911 | 1113 | $2.3 \times 10^{-27}$ |
| SNP183 | 2 | 59.43 | 909 | 1053 | $1.2 \times 10^{-13}$ |

Figure 1. Boxplot of the distribution of probabilities of showing either high or low bolting tendency for the three genotypes at SNP locus 183 (CC, CT, TT) based on a logistic regression model


Table 3. Genotype frequencies of SNP183 on bolting and non bolting individuals.

|  |  |  | Non |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bolting individuals $(\mathrm{n}=436)$ |  | bolting individuals $(\mathrm{n}=495)$ | $\chi^{2}$ |  | $p$-value |  |
|  | n | \% |  | n | \% |  |  |
| SNP183 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TT | 214 | 49 |  | 332 | 67 | 22.8 | $1.8 \times 10^{-6}$ |
| TC | 150 | 34 |  | 138 | 28 | 0.5 | 0.479 |
| CC | 72 | 17 |  | 25 | 5 | 25.5 | $4.4 \times 10^{-7}$ |

Figure 2. Schematic representation of the Bv_22330_orky gene with the position of the SNP183 according to the reference genome (0096.scaffold00336: position 428612 to 430133; RefBeet-1.1; http://bvseq.molgen.mpg.de)

## SNP183



Figure 3. Phylogenetic analysis of MMPs gene family in Arabidopsis thaliana and sugar beet. Bootstrap values, based on 1000 replications, are reported above branches.


## Testing SNP183 in an independent sugar beet population:

The SNP183 was genotyped in 730 individual plants from 11 breeding lines. A TaqMan assay was developed to discriminate rapidly and reliably between the C and T alleles at SNP183 locus. The frequency of the dominant C allele was $66 \%$ in the bolting group and $46 \%$ in the non-bolting group. Based on these results, individual plants carrying the C allele associated to high bolting tendency were discarded from the breeding program. The association between SNP genotype and bolting behavior was tested with a logistic regression model and was mildly significant $(\mathrm{P}=0.0062)$.

## Discussion

This study revealed a significant association between the polymorphism SNP183 on chromosome 6 and bolting tendency in sugar beet. The association was first detected in a population of 19 pollinators, where SNP discovery and association studies were carried out. Later, the association was tested in an independent population of 11 breeding lines. In both cases, the association between SNP183 genotypes and bolting behavior was significant. This suggests the presence of a new putative locus for bolting control on chromosome 6 of the sugar beet genome, which has not been reported, yet. This marker can be used in marker-assisted selection (MAS) programs to select for bolting resistance in sugar beets. MAS approaches to the reduction of bolting tendency are highly desirable in sugar beet breeding, since they are more efficient, faster, and often more reliable and less expensive than phenotypic selection, and allow to breed for complex traits like resistance to bolting. Bolting tendency is a complex trait controlled by environmental and
developmental cues and multiple genetic loci. The intricate network of regulatory pathways reflects complexity of the flowering process, with the vernalization, photoperiod, autonomous and gibberellic acid pathways and the circadian clock all contributing to the control of flowering. Given this complexity, multivariate statistical approaches to combine different sources of information are recommended for breeding applications to reduce bolting tendency in sugar beet. Previous attempts to model genomic predictions for binary traits in sugar beet have been reported, and could be applied to the likewise binomially distributed bolting behavior. SNP183 can therefore potentially be used to design a SNP panel which includes polymorphisms from genomic associated with bolting tendency in sugar beet and that can differentiate bolters from non-bolters.
SNP183 was mapped to the intron sequence of the sugar beet gene Bv_22330_orky. While this gene may play a role in bolting control, which has not been previously reported in sugar beet, the SNP183 may actually be in linkage disequilibrium with neighbouring genes associated to bolting tendency. Besides being a marker linked to a gene involved in bolting behaviour, SNP183 -though less likely- could actually have a biological role itself: it can be a silent informative mutation that modifies splicing, if located in the donor/acceptor splice site; or it could affect the micro RNA binding.
$B v \_22330 \_o r k y$ was found to code for a matrix metalloproteinase (MMP). MMPs are a family of zinc and calcium dependent proteases and are divided into three subfamilies: gelatinases, collagenases and stromelysins. Human MMPs play important roles in many physiological processes such as embryogenesis and organ morphogenesis. The unregulated MMPs activity is involved in the development of cancer, and neurodegenerative, cardiovascular and autoimmune disorders. The diversity of functions inside mammalian MMPs derives from tandem duplication events and exon shuffling which took place during evolution. Most of the actual MMPs derive from a single gene cluster, conserved from amphibians to mammals. Plant MMPs are secreted during growth, development and stress response and play an important role in the degradation of extracellular matrix. In Arabidopsis, MMPs is a family of proteins that could be implied in flowering and, as it was found also in cucumber, are involved in the apoptosis. In tobacco, they are expressed during senescence and the response to pathogens. In sugar beet, we found two tandemduplicated MMP genes with $69 \%$ sequence similarity at DNA level. The gene duplication event, in $B v \_22330 \_o r k y$, led to the loss of the first 220 bp . This is also found in rice, where in duplicated blocks, DNA segment loss occurred with high frequency. Tandem duplications are the most important events that generate new members of family proteins
during evolution, generating novelty that may be selected in response to environmental changes.

Today, molecular markers are used to evaluate sugar beet germplasm only for the presence of annual bolters. Several polymorphisms in BTC1 are able to discriminate between the annual or biennial habit of sugar beet. However, these markers do not differentiate among biennial beets characterized by either high or low bolting tendency after exposure to a period of cold temperatures, suggesting that other (modifying) genes (and/or yet undiscovered polymorphisms in BTC1) affect bolting tendency in cultivated biennial sugar beets. Therefore, a next challenge is the discovery of additional DNA polymorphisms associated with this trait. As a first specimen of such polymorphism, SNP183 on chromosome 6 can be used -together with other- polymorphisms as a tool to improve selection efficiency and accelerate the development of novel sugar beet varieties displaying low-bolting tendency.

## Conclusions

Our study provides indication for the association of a DNA polymorphism on chromosome 6 with bolting tendency in sugar beet. The results support the polygenic nature of flowering control in sugar beet confirming the importance of previously reported QTLs. The SNP183, together with other associated polymorphisms, could assist breeding programs aimed at developing germplasm with low bolting tendency. Further studies on this gene will provide new insights into genetic mechanisms of bolting, which are needed to breed for bolting resistance in sugar beet.

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Supplementary material S1. Information on 192 SNPs used in the study.

| SNP ID | Scaffold | Sequence |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SNP1 | Bvchr7.sca018 | ATGAATACCCCTGCACAAGAGCGTTTCATCAGATTTAATTAAAAAGCTAA[G/C]TATTT <br> CAAACAAAGTACATGCAATGCCTTATAGATAATGAAATTGTGTCA |
|  |  | GTATGTTTAGAATTCAGGGTTTTGAACTCAATTAGGTGAAACATTGTGCA[T/C]AAAGGT |
| SNP2 | Bvchr8.sca015 | CCATTTTTTTGTTGAGCAGTGATTATCTGTACTTGAAGTTTGAA |


| SNP25 | Bvchr5.sca018 | TTTGCAATGTCTGGAGGACTGCCATCGGTGGAGGAGACAGCCTGTGTATG[G/A]CAAAT ATGCAGTGCTTGCTTCCAAACTGCTAAAATTACAAGCTGAATAGA |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SNP26 | Bvchr2.sca001 | GTGTAAACTTGAAATGAACAAGATCTGAGAAAAGGGCATACAACAAGTCT[G/A]ACTG TAGTTCAGGAACATTTCGTAGTAGTAATGTAAAAAGAGTAACCAAT |
| SNP27 | Bvchr6.sca002 | GGTGCTGCCTTACAAGTCCAAGCCCAGTGCCATCAATCCCTGCATATAAA[G/A]CAAGA AATGAATGCAAATGAGAAAATGAAGAAATAAATGGATGGAATAAT |
| SNP28 | Bvchr7.sca009 | TATGGGATAGACTTCCATGAAACTTTTTCACGAGTGGTCAAGATGTCAAC[T/A]GTGAG GTGCATTATAGCTCTTTCCAGATGCAGCAAGCATAAAATGGATCT |
| SNP29 | Bvchr9.sca013 | ATTATAAGCGAGAGGAGTTACTCCTACTATTGTCAATTGGTTTTAGTATG[A/C]AACCTC TTTTGAGCTTGTAAGTGGACCGAACTATCATTCATGCTCAATGT |
| SNP30 | Bvchr7.sca014 | TTGGTTGTGCTGTAACTATCTGTTATAAAATCTCTATTATCAATACATTA[T/C]ATGTTTT TCTCACGAACACAATTTGGATACCAGGAATCAGAAGCAAACAC |
| SNP31 | Bvchr4.sca001 | TTTACCTTTCTCCAATCACTTGATAATGCATACAGCATACACATACTCTT[A/G]CATACA CTTTACTAGGAATATAGGGTGCATGGCTTTGAATCTTTGGTGTT |
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| SNP148 | Bvchr7.sca021 | GTCACAAACTCATACGTCGTACCATACAGAAATCCACTGGAAAAGGTAGG[T/A]AACAT AATTTTAAAGAAGCCTTCAGCTTTCGGAAACAGATGTTCCAAAGC |
| SNP149 | Bvchr6.sca005 | TTTTATTTTGTAGAATATGCAAAATAATATAGCTAAAATATATTTCGAGT[A/C]TGCTCA CGAATTTTTCAAATCGAACTTTGCTATGTTCGACTCTAGAAAAT |
| SNP150 | Bvchr9.sca024 | TGGTGGCGTTATAGCGTAAGAGTAAGGAGGAGTGCCAACATCAGAACCTT[C/G]TGGTG GAGTTCTTGCAGAAGTGCCCACATAAGAACCTCCTGGTGGAGTTC |
| SNP151 | Bvchr6.sca028 | AGTGCATGTACTAGGTATCTTTTTTTGTTTTTGCTTTATATTGGTTGCCT[A/G]TGTTGCT TTTGGCTGAAGCCGAGATCTGAAGCATATGCAATTCAGAGCTC |
| SNP152 | Bvchr4.sca015 | CGTCAATTTCCACAAAATCAACCCTATTTTATAAGTTCTCAGCTCAAATC[A/G]CCCATC TATTTTGATTGTTGACACTTGACAATCTGCCATCAGTATACCCT |
| SNP153 | Bvchr6.sca002 | CGAGAATCGAAACCTGAGGAGCTCCCACTTGGTTAAATGAATAGGTTGCT[T/C]AGGAA GAATGAAACTTGAATAAATATGATTGCTGATAAATATTCCGGTTT |
| SNP154 | Bvchr4_un.sca003 | CTAAACCCAACTAAATGTTCATTTGGGTGAGTCTATAGTTAAGTTCCTCG[A/G]TTACAT AGTAACATATAGAGGAATCGAAGCCAGTCCTAACCAGGTAGGAG |


| SNP155 | Bvchr5_un.sca012 | ATGAAATGTTTTTAGTGAAGATTTTACTACGGGACCCAAAGGTTTGAGAT[G/A]ATTCA ATTGAGGAGTGATATGTTTATACACAAACATTAAAAGGATCCCCC |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SNP156 | Bvchr6.sca014 | TTGTCCCCTCTTGGATGCATTACAAGGTCACATGATTTATTTCCGCAGCC[A/G]TCATTG TTCTCGTAACTGGTGCTGTCGACATGGCTTTTCTATTAGACATT |
| SNP157 | Bvchr3_un.sca001 | ATTTTGGAGAGTTCGATGTTGAGTGAGCCAAATAATGATAAGACTAGTGA[A/T]AATAA TCGACAAGACGACTGCAATGGTGGGTGTGATTTGGTGGGCGCTCC |
| SNP158 | Bvchr7.sca008 | TTAGTAGCTGGTAGTTAGTCAGTTAGACAATTACAAATCAGTTAACTCAG[C/T]TGATTA CAATTGTATAAATATAACTGATTGTATGATTGGAAGACTTACTG |
| SNP159 | Bvchr2.sca009 | AAGAACCTGCCTACAACAGCATTACTTACTGATGATGGTTTCCTAGGGTT[A/C]TCTTTG GTATCATCTGAAGCAAGATGCTGCTCGAGAGTTGTTACAGTATC |
| SNP160 | Bvchr6.sca023 | TACTATCATTTATACATGCCACAGTGTCCAACAGTGCCCATTACTTTACT[G/A]CATTGG CTGGTACAATTATCATAGGGAACTGGGTAAGAGTGGAAGACTTG |
| SNP161 | Bvchr3.sca002 | CCAAGGCAAGAGCTATGTACCAAAAAAGGAAGTGATGCACAGGTTAGAAA[G/C]TTTT TCCTTGCTGGAAGTCTTTGCTGCATTTACATGATTTTCTTCCTTTA |
| SNP162 | Bvchr5.sca004 | AAAAGTTTCTTACAAGTTTTCAAAATTTTAAAGTATGAGGTAATCAACCC[G/A]AATAC TGATTCTTCTGATTTGTGTAGATATGCAAATGGATAAAATCAACA |
| SNP163 | Bvchr1_un.sca004 | AATTTTACACAAAAATTGATATGATTGGGGACAAAAAGAAATGTAATGAT[G/A]AGTTT TCTTCGGTAATGTTTGGGGTTATATGGACTAAGGTTCTGTTAGGG |
| SNP164 | Bvchr3_un.sca005 | CATAAATTATATCAAGTTACATAATACTGTAATAGACAGCACGCGAGAAA[G/C]AGGTT ATTTTATCGCTTCGTTCTATGATGAGGCTTCTGGGAAAGGCAGCT |
| SNP165 | Bvchr9.sca013 | AAACAAGACAGGCTCTAGAGAGGAAGAGTATGTATATGTCAATCTCCAAA[A/G]AGTT CTGTTCGTGTAGCTTTTTCCATAAGTTTAAAGCAAAAGATACTTCT |
| SNP166 | Bvchr5.sca017 | CATATTGCCGCCTCCTCACTTCTCTTCCTCCCTGTATCATGAGATACTCT[C/A]TCTCTCT CACTTATGGGATAAATTCATTAATGTAGTACTTTGAGAGACAA |
| SNP167 | Bvchr3_un.sca001 | GAATTTGATGGTTGTGACACCAGCAATGCTATACTTAAAAGTACTTCAGG[A/G]AACAC AACTTTTCCCTTGACAAAGCCAGGCGAGAGGTACTTCGTTTGTTG |
| SNP168 | Bvchr5.sca008 | AAATAACGATGATTTGTGTACTTATTGTGGTATATATACAAAGAATTAAG[G/A]TGATC AAAGTCCTCACATTGATGCGAAAGAGAGAAATGCAGTTCCCTGGA |
| SNP169 | Bvchr2.sca015 | CCAAAAAAAAAAAAAAACAGATGCTCGCAGATTGGTGAATTCATACTCGA[T/G]GAAG ACATAGAAATGGTGTACAGATAAAGACAATCAGGCATCTTAGGGGA |
| SNP170 | Bvchr7_un.sca004 | GTATAGAGTCTATGTTAACAACAAGAAAGAAAAAGAGAATGAAAAAAGGG[C/T]AATC TATAAGAAACCACCTAATAAATTAGACACTCAGTGGAGTGGGATAT |
| SNP171 | Bvchr3.sca004 | ACAAAAAGACAGTGAAAATCAAAAGTGGAAAGTTCAAAATATAACAAGTG[A/G]CCTG CAACTATTTCACATAGCTATCCCTGTCAAAGTCGGTTAAGGATGCA |
| SNP172 | Bvchr7.sca021 | GCATATTCAACTGATAATAGATTTGAAATGTTTATGCCCATAAAAACTTG[T/C]ACAGTC AGGTTCTTATGGATTAAAAAGCAAAGCGGCAAGTACCTTTTCGC |
| SNP173 | Bvchr1_un.sca002 | AAAATATGGTTAGTATAGGCGCATATGTTAGAATTAGATATGTGCTAGCA[C/T]CCTAA GAGATAAAATTAGGACGCTATTATCGAAAGATGATTGGAGTTTCA |
| SNP174 | Bvchr9.sca024 | AACCATACATCAAAATCAGTACATGTACGAAACACCAATAATTCCACTGA[T/C]GAACA TAAGAGGCTTATGGTTATTCAGTACCCACTACGTAAATCATACCA |
| SNP175 | Bvchr1.sca004 | TGAAACCTAGCATGCCAGGAAGCGATGAAGTTGATGATTCTGTTAGGGAG[C/A]AAGC GTCCGGTGCCTTGAGTGAGTTAAGGGGTGGAATGAGTGACAGTGTG |
| SNP176 | Bvchr3.sca003 | GGCACATAAGCTTATCCCACGACCCACGACAATATGAGCAAGTCTTGTGC[A/G]TCTCC TTTGTTCTTACGAATAAGTATTGCAAAGGAGACACTGCACACCCA |
| SNP177 | Bvchr9.sca011 | TAACACAGTTAACAACCATTTCGAGGAGAGATTTCAAGTAAATCTAATCT[T/C]TACAT CACTAACTAGAATTTTATATCTGCATCTAACCTTTCAGTTCCATT |
| SNP178 | Bvchr4.sca003 | AAATCGCTGATAGGTAATTTTTTTTATTGAAATATTGAGTTCCGAGAAGG[C/T]GGAAAC ACCATTCACCAGACAACTTTTGTGATTTGTACTTAAGAAAGATG |
| SNP179 | Bvchr4.sca006 | GTGACCTTCTTAAAGTATCCAAATGCCTTGTCATTAAATTACTGAGCCAC[G/A]TGAAA AATAATGAGAATGTCCGTTCCTGCGCAAAGCTAGAAATGTGGGGT |
| SNP180 | Bvchr6.sca015 | AGATGGTCGATTGCTTCTAATGACAAGTTAACCTGTAGAATGCTGTAAGA[A/T]TAGGA TACATTTCCCTTCTTATAAGAACTTGAGAGAAGTTGCTTGCTTCC |


| SNP181 | Bvchr9.sca026 | AAGCACACCATAACACTTGAGCTCGGATTCTTTGATCGCTTTGGATCTTT[C/T]TTTGTA GTCACTATCCCCGCCATTCTTCCATAATTCCTCTGAGAACTGTA |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SNP182 | Bvchr2.sca006 | AGTTGACCAGGCTCGCCCTCAGGAGTAGACTGAGCAATTTGTTGCAAACA[T/C]TCATT CCAATCAGATACCAATAGAGGACTTTCTTTCATGATGTTGGCCAA |
| SNP183 | Bvchr6_un.sca007 | TTCCTTAGATATTGATCAATGTCCGACGTTTAGGTTATCAATGTTTCTTT[T/C]ACGATAC TCAAATTGTCATGCATGCATGCTAGCTTAAAATGTACTTTACA |
| SNP184 | Bvchr8.sca017 | CTGGACAGGTGACATGCCGAATTTTGTCAATATTCTGCAAATAAACAGGT[T/G]GTCATT TAGAAATTGTTAATAGAAACAAGAGATGCAAAAGAATATCATTA |
| SNP185 | Bvchr3.sca010 | AAGAACTAAGATATCGAAAGCCTTCTGGCAAAGCCACCAAATTAGGACAG[T/C]TGAA GATATACATTCTTTCAAGATTAGTGAAATGTCTCAACCAATTTGGA |
| SNP186 | Bvchr5.sca002 | TCAGCAAACAAAATTCAATCAGAAACTTCACAAGTACCGGCAAAGACGGT[C/A]TCGG CACAGAGTAGCGCATATGCAAAAAGCGACCACCAAGCTGCGAACAA |
| SNP187 | Bvchr5.sca008 | CTACACCTAGAGAAGAAAATCCTAACATGAAAATACACAATTATTGAAAT[A/C]CGGTA TAAATAACCAGAGGTGCACAAGGAACATACAATTAAGCCAAGGCT |
| SNP188 | Bvchr7.sca004 | ATGAATTAACATGGAGCAATAGATTATGGATCTGTTATTTACCACGGTTC[A/G]ATTCCT GAGGAATAATGTTGCATTCAGACTTAGGAGGCTCTTTAAATGAA |
| SNP189 | Bvchr9.sca026 | AGGGATATTCTGCACTTCCATTTCTTCCAGTCGCTGCAAACAAAAGACAT[A/T]TGTTCT TTCAATAACTTATGTTTAATAGGTACAAATGGTGGTGACATTGA |
| SNP190 | Bvchr1.sca004 | GTGCACAAGGCATGTGGCCGAGTAGTTTCTTGCGCAGATATCACTGCCCT[A/T]GCGGC TCGTGATGCCGTGGTTCTGGTATTACATTTTCCTTTATCTAATCA |
| SNP191 | Bvchr6_un.sca007 | AATTATTCCCTATGAAAAGTTTATATATACTCATCAAAATCTGACGTTTA[A/G]ACTATT GATATATCTTTTACGAGGCTCAAATTGTCATGCACTGAAATGTA |
| SNP192 | Bvchr9_un.sca001 | TTAGGCGCACTTTTTAAAACTAAGTTAGCGATTGATTAAAGAAAAGCAAT[T/G]AACAC TTTCACTTTGTAAGGATGATTTGCGTTAAAGTGTAAGTAACATAC |

Supplementary material S2. Sequences of the designed primers and TaqMan probes for detection of the SNP183.

| Assay <br> ID | Forward <br> Primer Seq. | Reverse <br> Primer Seq. | Reporter 1 <br> Dye | Reporter 1 <br> Sequence | Reporter 2 <br> Dye | Reporter 2 <br> Sequence |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SNP | TTGATCAATGTCC | AGCTAGCATGC | VIC | ATTTGAGTAT | FAM | TGAGTATC <br> GTATAAAGAA |

## CONTRIBUTE 5

## SNP10139 as genetic marker of root elongation rate in sugar beet

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#### Abstract

The aim of this study was to identify Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP) markers genetically linked to Root Elongation Rate (RER) in sugar beet (Beta vulgaris L.). A population of $244 \mathrm{~F}_{3}$ individuals, obtained from the cross between lines L01 (low RER) and L18 (high RER), was phenotyped by measuring RER of eleven-day old seedlings grown under hydroponic conditions. Two DNA bulks of $50 \mathrm{~F}_{3}$ individuals with extremes phenotypes were used for Bulk Segregant Analysis (BSA) by Restriction-Associated DNA (RAD) sequencing. A total of 20,376 SNP were identified. SNPs were filtered to reduce the number of false positives and mapped on candidate chromosomal regions of the $B$. vulgaris reference genome. A total of 234 SNPs were selected from the two DNA bulks showing association with the RER trait, one of which, SNP10139, was strongly linked ( $p<0.01$ ). The pattern of association between SNP10139 genotype and RER was also evaluated on another breeding line panel comprising 40 low and 40 high RER individuals, confirming different allele frequencies between the groups ( $p<0.01$ ). The SNP10139 sequence was mapped on the B. vulgaris peptide transporter ( $P T R$ ) gene, a carrier that influences root elongation in Arabidopsis thaliana. Our results suggest that SNP10139 marker identify a genomic region that influences RER in sugar beet and its sequence information can be used in marker-assisted selection programs.


Keywords: plant productivity, abiotic stress, root apparatus, SNP markers

## Introduction

During the last two decades there has been increased interest in breeding for root morpho-physiological traits of the main agricultural crops (Lynch et al. 2014). Roots play a central role in water and nutrient acquisition and root characteristics involved in these functions are closely associated with crop productivity (Lynch et al. 1995). The ability of a plant to absorb nutrients distributed in the soil is given by the morphology of its root system. The improvement of root characteristics is essential to increase crop yield, especially in environments subjected to recurrent water and nutritional stresses (de Dorlodot et al. 2007).
Lynch (2013) proposed a maize ideotype, termed "Steep, Cheap, and Deep", for superior nutrient and water acquisition. This ideotype has several root morpho-physiological traits that contribute to soil nutrient uptake by accelerating root development to reach water and nutrients in deeper soil layers. Root traits influencing rapid soil exploitation, such as root elongation rate (RER), could be used to develop crops with greater water and nutrient acquisition (Lynch 2014; Saengwilai et al. 2014). Indeed, a study on sugar beet highlighted that key root traits such as RER, total length, surface area and number of tips are strictly related to sulfate acquisition and sugar yield (Stevanato et al. 2010). A significant and positive correlation was demonstrated between yield and nitrogen uptake rate in sorghum, and sulfate uptake rate after deprivation in maize and sugar beet (Cacco et al. 1980; Saccomani et al. 1981; Nakamura et al. 2002; Stevanato et al. 2004).

The improvement of root traits through conventional breeding methods is slow because they are controlled by multiple genetic loci (de Dorlodot et al. 2007). Selection with the assistance of molecular markers could therefore achieve faster gains in the genetic control and improvement of the plant root apparatus. Marker-assisted selection allowed identification of major loci controlling root traits in rice (Courtois et al. 2003) and soybean (Liang et al. 2010). Root morphology is controlled by many genes that interact with the environment and genomic regions influencing root architecture were found to explain up to $30 \%$ of phenotypic variation (Price et al. 2002; Giuliani et al. 2005). Similarly, Tuberosa et al. 2002 identified QTLs influencing root architecture and yield in maize. Single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) markers have recently gained popularity in crop breeding programs, increasing the efficiency and accuracy of selection procedures (Ganal et al. 2009). SNPs are ideal markers for identifying genes associated with traits in crops for several reasons: they are abundant and densely located on plant genomes, the application
of next-generation sequencing technology has greatly facilitated high throughput SNP discovery, and a large number of commercial platforms are available for automated SNP genotyping (Gupta et al. 2008).
Bulk segregant analysis (BSA) is a method for identifying DNA markers linked to genes or genomic regions of interest (Michelmore et al. 1991). DNA samples from individuals showing contrasting phenotypes are compared with a large set of molecular markers to identify those linked to the trait of interest. This procedure has been successful in the detection of major genes implicated in lateral root growth in rice (Wang et al. 2006), root development in response to aluminum stress in barley (Raman et al. 2002) and wheat (Cai et al. 2008).

The objective of this study was to identify SNP markers linked to RER in sugar beet by means of BSA and to map SNP sequences to the reference $B$. vulgaris genome to identify candidate genes influencing root elongation.

## Material and Methods

## Plant material:

A population of $244 \mathrm{~F}_{3}$ individuals, obtained from the cross between lines L01 (low RER; $1.7 \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{day}^{-1}$ ) and L18 (high RER; $20.5 \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{day}^{-1}$ ), was phenotyped by measuring RER of eleven-day old seedlings grown under hydroponic conditions. The $244 \mathrm{~F}_{3}$ samples, derived from a single $F_{1}$ individual and by single-seed descent of $244 \mathrm{~F}_{2}$ plants, were grown at the University of Padova (Italy). The pattern of association between genotypes and RER was also evaluated on 80 individuals of another $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ breeding population, named " F 290 ", showing a wide variation for RER and kindly provided by Lion Seeds Ltd (Maldon, UK).

## Root elongation rate analysis:

Seeds were surface-sterilized by immersion in $1 \%(\mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v})$ sodium hypochlorite for 10 min, rinsed several times with distilled water, then imbibed in aerated, deionized water at $22^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 12 h . Seeds were put between two layers of filter paper moistened with distilled water in petri dishes placed in a germinator at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ in the dark for 48 h . Only 3-day old seedlings with $10 \pm 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ long seminal roots were transferred into hydroponic plastic tanks with an aerated solution containing $200 \mathrm{mM} \mathrm{Ca}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}, 200 \mathrm{mmM} \mathrm{KNO} 3,200 \mathrm{mmM}$ $\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}, 40 \mathrm{mM} \mathrm{KH} 2 \mathrm{PO}_{4}$ and microelements (Arnon and Hoagland, 1940). Nutrient solution was replaced daily. Tanks were placed in a growth chamber at $25 / 18{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and
$70 / 90 \%$ relative humidity with a 14 h light $\left(60 \mathrm{~W} \mathrm{~m}^{-2}\right)$ and 10 h dark cycle. Primary root length of individual seedlings was manually measured each day until seedlings were 11day old. The daily RER was calculated by the difference in root length between two successive measurements performed with WINRHIZO Pro software (Regent Instruments, QC, Canada). Trait distribution was tested for normality with the Shapiro-Wilk test (Conover, 1980).

## SNP discovery by RAD-BSA:

DNA was isolated from 20 mg of leaf tissue with a BioSprint 96 DNA Plant Kit in a BioSprint 96 workstation (Qiagen, Germany) following the manufacturer's instructions. DNA was assayed for concentration and purity by microfluidic gel electrophoresis with an Agilent 2200 TapeStation system (Agilent Technologies, CA, USA). Based on the $\mathrm{F}_{3}$ samples phenotyping analysis, DNA of the 50 individuals with extremely low and high RER were selected for BSA Restriction-Associated DNA (RAD) analysis (Floragenex Inc., Oregon, USA) following the methods outlined by Pegadaraju et al. (2013). Briefly, 100 bp paired-end Illumina sequences were obtained from the bulks. Restriction enzymederived reads were first trimmed to remove low quality sequences with an average phredscaled quality score below 25 (Q25) and then collapsed into RAD clusters sharing complete sequence identity across the sequence flanking the restriction site. Only sequences with coverage between 20 x and 1000x were considered in the analysis. The paired-end sequences were extracted for each RAD cluster, passed to the Velvet sequence assembler for contig assembly and then aligned using Bowtie, allowing up to 3 base pair mismatches between the paired-end read and the reference. Sequence variants were then identified using SAMtools. To provide a genomic anchor and location for the newly discovered SNPs, the RAD cluster sequences were aligned and mapped on the sugar beet reference genome (version RefBeet-0.9; http://bvseq.molgen.mpg.de) using blastn (Ver.2.2.27) and allowing for a maximum of a single mismatch. For putative gene identification some selected sequences were analyzed against the Arabidopsis genome (TAIR version 10) by tblastx, using a maximum threshold E-value of $10^{-10}$ (Altschul et al. 2010).

## Linked-SNP validation by genotyping:

From the SNP discovery analysis, a total of 234 candidate SNPs were selected for validation on the $100 \mathrm{~F}_{3}$ samples with extreme phenotypes used for the BSA and on $80 \mathrm{~F}_{2}$
samples with different RER from another breeding population. SNP genotyping was performed using the QuantStudio 12K Flex Real-Time PCR System and OpenArray technology (Life Technologies, CA, USA) following the manufacturer's instructions. Briefly, 10 ng of DNA was mixed with $2.5 \mu \mathrm{l}$ of TaqMan OpenArray Genotyping Master and amplified. Results were analyzed using the Taqman Genotyper software (Ver.1.0.1) and $\chi^{2}$-test was adopted for the association analysis between phenotypic and genotypic data.

## Results

## Root elongation rate analysis:

RER, evaluated on 244 individuals of the $\mathrm{F}_{3}$ progeny, showed a normal distribution ( $\mathrm{W}=0.979 ; p<0.01$ ) with a certain degree of transgressive segregation for high values of RER (Figure 1). Bulks were obtained from $50 \mathrm{~F}_{3}$ individuals with most extreme phenotypes; low and high RER bulks were characterized by average RER of $6.3 \pm 1.3$ and $40.0 \pm 8.9 \mathrm{~mm}^{\text {day }}{ }^{1}$, respectively (Figure 1).

Figure 1. Frequency distribution of root elongation rate in 244 F 3 individuals from L01 x L18.


## SNP discovery by RAD-Seq with BSA:

Illumina RAD sequencing yielded $68,360,881$ raw reads of high quality with an average length of 102.4 nt . Overall, a total of 20,376 SNPs were identified on 14,459 alignments (Table 1). Most of the sequences ( $68.28 \%$ ) presented a single SNP, while the remaining showed two or more SNPs in the same sequence (Table 1). The majority of SNPs were diallelic $(98.8 \%)$ and more transitions $(12,378)$ than transversions $(7,746)$ were observed (1.6 ratio).

In order to reduce false positive SNP associations, appropriate quality filters were adopted; only sequences harboring single and diallelic SNPs were selected and then aligned to the sugar beet reference genome. For the association between allele frequencies and RER phenotypes only SNPs with similar sequence coverage between bulks were selected ( $<20 \%$ coverage difference). Allele frequency ratio between bulks was estimated and only ratios higher than 2 (or lower than 0.5 ) were considered as candidate SNPs linked to the RER trait. A total of 234 SNPs passed the quality and association criteria and were selected as candidate markers associated to the RER trait.

Table 1. Frequency of the number of SNPs identified by sequence analyzed.

| Number of SNP per each <br> sequence | Number of <br> sequences | Percentage on <br> the total |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 9872 | 68.28 |
| 2 | 3403 | 23.54 |
| 3 | 1056 | 7.30 |
| 4 | 111 | 0.77 |
| 5 | 16 | 0.11 |
| 6 | 1 | 0.01 |

## Linked-SNP validation by genotyping:

The selected 234 SNPs were distributed across all 9 sugar beet chromosomes and located on 133 scaffolds (Table 2). SNPs sequences and their corresponding mapping coordinates are reported as supplementary material (Table S1). The highest number of SNPs was observed in chromosome 8 (55) and the lowest in chromosome 7 (3). Among scaffolds with multiple mapped SNPs (67 of the 133), the "scaffold00009" on chromosome 8 showed the highest number (13).

SNPs were genotyped on the DNA of the individuals from the extremes of the phenotypic
distribution for validation. The most significant association was found for SNP10139 ( $p<0.01$ ). Sequences of the primers and TaqMan probes designed for the detection of SNP10139 are reported as supplementary material (Table S2).

The pattern of association between genotype of SNP 10139 and RER was also evaluated on 40 low and 40 high RER individuals of the $\mathrm{F}_{2}$ population " F 290 ", showing a wide variation for RER trait. Low and high RER bulks were characterized by an average RER of $1.2 \pm 0.02$ and $2.8 \pm 0.08 \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{day}^{-1}$, respectively (Table 3 ). Also for this breeding population SNP10139 showed different allele frequencies between the two groups ( $p<0.01$ ).

Table 2. Distribution of selected 234 SNPs putatively related to root elongation rate on the sugar beet genome.

| Chromosome | Ch. size [Mb] | Number of SNPs | Number of scaffolds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 41.5 | 18 | 11 |
| 2 | 39.5 | 39 | $\ldots$ |
| 3 | 32.3 | 18 | $\ldots$ |
| 4 | 31.1 | 23 | $\ldots$ |
| 5 | 56.2 | 26 | $\ldots$ |
| 6 | 57.8 | 45 | $\ldots$ |
| 7 | 50.9 | 3 | $\ldots$ |
| 8 | 40.1 | 55 | $\ldots$ |
| 9 | 45.2 | 7 | $\ldots$ |
| Total | $\ldots$ | 234 | 133 |

Table 3. SNP10139 alleles in low and high root elongation rate bulks in population F290.

| Low root elongation rate bulk |  |  | High root elongation rate bulk |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sample <br> ID | Root elongation rate $\left(\mathrm{mm} \mathrm{day}^{-1}\right)$ | SNP10139 <br> genotype | Sample <br> ID | Root elongation rate $\left(\mathrm{mm} \mathrm{day}^{-1}\right)$ | SNP10139 <br> genotype |
| 1 | 0.9 | A/A | 1 | 2.4 | G/A |
| 2 | 0.9 | A/A | 2 | 2.4 | A/A |
| 3 | 1.0 | A/A | 3 | 2.4 | A/A |
| 4 | 1.0 | A/A | 4 | 2.4 | G/G |
| 5 | 1.0 | A/A | 5 | 2.4 | A/A |
| 6 | 1.0 | A/A | 6 | 2.5 | G/G |
| 7 | 1.1 | G/G | 7 | 2.5 | G/G |


| 8 | 1.1 | G/G | 8 | 2.5 | G/A |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9 | 1.1 | G/G | 9 | 2.5 | G/G |
| 10 | 1.1 | G/G | 10 | 2.5 | A/A |
| 11 | 1.1 | A/A | 11 | 2.6 | G/G |
| 12 | 1.1 | A/A | 12 | 2.6 | G/G |
| 13 | 1.1 | A/A | 13 | 2.6 | G/A |
| 14 | 1.1 | A/A | 14 | 2.6 | G/A |
| 15 | 1.1 | A/A | 15 | 2.6 | A/A |
| 16 | 1.1 | A/A | 16 | 2.6 | A/A |
| 17 | 1.1 | A/A | 17 | 2.7 | G/G |
| 18 | 1.1 | A/A | 18 | 2.7 | G/G |
| 19 | 1.2 | G/G | 19 | 2.7 | A/A |
| 20 | 1.2 | G/G | 20 | 2.7 | A/A |
| 21 | 1.2 | G/A | 21 | 2.7 | G/G |
| 22 | 1.2 | G/A | 22 | 2.7 | G/A |
| 23 | 1.2 | A/A | 23 | 2.7 | G/A |
| 24 | 1.2 | A/A | 24 | 2.7 | A/A |
| 25 | 1.2 | A/A | 25 | 2.7 | A/A |
| 26 | 1.2 | A/A | 26 | 2.7 | A/A |
| 27 | 1.3 | G/G | 27 | 2.7 | A/A |
| 28 | 1.3 | G/G | 28 | 2.8 | G/G |
| 29 | 1.3 | A/A | 29 | 2.8 | G/G |
| 30 | 1.3 | A/A | 30 | 2.8 | G/A |
| 31 | 1.3 | A/A | 31 | 2.8 | G/A |
| 32 | 1.3 | A/A | 32 | 2.8 | A/A |
| 33 | 1.3 | A/A | 33 | 2.9 | A/A |
| 34 | 1.3 | A/A | 34 | 2.9 | A/A |
| 35 | 1.3 | A/A | 35 | 3.1 | G/G |
| 36 | 1.4 | G/A | 36 | 3.2 | A/A |
| 37 | 1.4 | A/A | 37 | 3.4 | G/A |
| 38 | 1.4 | A/A | 38 | 3.8 | G/G |
| 39 | 1.5 | A/A | 39 | 3.8 | G/G |
| 40 | 1.5 | A/A | 40 | 5.1 | G/A |

Mean: $1.2 \pm 0.02$
Mean: $2.8 \pm 0.08$

## Candidate gene discovery:

SNP10139 was mapped in the coding region of the Bv6_128350_ktfi gene on chromosome 6. Figure 2 shows its position within the Bv6_128350_ktfi gene sequence. The total length covered by the coding exons is 929 bp and the total length of the introns is 2472 bp . The SNP10139 polymorphism is characterized by a mutation from A to G on the third base of the codon for leucine (UUA -> UUG), resulting in a silent mutation. Bv6_128350_ktfi sequence showed homology with the peptide transporter gene (PTR) family of Arabidopsis thaliana (Figure 3). Among this family, AtPTR2 (AT2G02040.1) showed the highest similarity (72.8\%) with Bv6_128350_ktfi (Table 4).

Figure 2. Schematic representation of the Bv6_128350_ktfi gene with the position of the SNP10139 according to the reference genome (RefBeet-1.1; http://bvseq.molgen.mpg.de).


Figure 3. Aminoacid sequence alignment of the peptide transporter genes, $P T R$, in sugar

## beet and Arabidopsis thaliana.

|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 20 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ |  | ${ }_{1}^{40}$ |  | 60 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | M--GTQEEE- | RLL-LEDGHL | QG | -GEQYTGDGS | VDLQGNRVLK | SKTGNWRACP | 48 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | M--GSIEEEA | RPL-IEEGLI | LQ | -VKLYAEDGS | VDFNGNPPLK | EKTGNWKACP | 49 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | MVNSNEEDER | RILDVEESLL | TQEE | GLSSTAEDGS | IDIYGNPPSK | KKTGNWKACP | 60 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | M--ASIDEER | SLLEVEESLI |  | -VKLYAEDGS | IDIHGNPPLK | QTTGNWKACP | 50 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | M----EE-K |  |  | --DVYTQDGT | VDIHKNPANK | EKTGNWKACR | 32 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | M-----EDDK |  |  | --DIYTKDGT | LDIHKKPANK | NKTGTWKACR | 33 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | MTVEEVGD |  |  | G T | VDLQGNPVRR | SIRGRWKACS | 35 |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 80 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\underset{1}{100}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 20 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | FILGTECCER | LAYYGIATNL | vsyltGKLhe | GNVSAARNVT | WS | LLGAVLADAY | 08 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | FILGNECCER | LAYYGIAGNL | ITYLTTKLHQ | GNVSAATNVT | TWQGTCYLTP | LIGAVLADAY | 109 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | FILGNECCER | LAYYGIAKNL | ITYYTSELHE | SNVSAASDVM | IWQGTCYITP | LIGAVIADS Y | 120 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | FIFANECCER | LAYYGIAKNL | ITYFTNELHE | TNVSAARHVM | TWQGTCYITP | LIGALIADAY | 110 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | FILGNECCER | LAYYGMGTNL | VNYLESRLNQ | GNATAANNVT | NWSGTCYITP | LIGAFIADAY | 92 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | FILGTECCER | LAYYGMSTNL | INYLEKQMNM | ENVSASKSVS | NWSGTCYATP | LIGAFIADAY | 93 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | FVVVYEVFER | MAYYGISSNL | F I YMTTKLHQ | GTVKSSNNVT | NWVGTSWLTP | I LGAYVGDAL | 95 |
|  |  | $140$ |  | 160 |  | $80$ |  |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | WG R YWT I AV F | STIYFIGMCT | LTLSASVPAF | KPPECVD-- | SFCPAATPPQ | L | 165 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | WGRYWT I ACF | SGIYFIGMSA | LTLSASVPAL | KPAECIG | DFCPSATPAQ | YAMFFGGLYL | 166 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | WG R YWT I ASF | SAIYFIGMAL | LTLSASLPVL | KPAACAGVAA | ALCSPATTVQ | YAVFFTGLYL | 180 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | WGR YWT I ACF | SAIYFTGMVA | LTLSASVPGL | KPAECIG | SLCPPATMVQ | STVLFSGLYL | 167 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | LGRYWTIATF | VFIYVSGMTL | LTLSASVPGL | KPGNCNA | DTCHP-NSSQ | TAVFFVALYM | 148 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | LGRYWTIASF | VVIYIAGMTL | LTISASVPGL | TP-TCSC | ETCHA-TAGQ | TAITFIALYL | 148 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | LGRYITFVIS | CAIYFSGMMV | LTLSVTIPGI | KPPECSTTNV | ENCEKASVLQ | LAVFFGAL | 155 |
|  |  | $200$ |  | $220$ |  | $40$ |  |
| Bv6_128350 | I ALGTGC | CVSSFGADQF | DDTDPSERVK | GSFFNWFYF | S | VWMQENA | 225 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | IALGTGGIKP | CVSSFGADQF | DDTDSRERVR | KASFFNWFYF | SINIGALVSS | SLLVWIQENR | 226 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | IALGTGGIKP | CVSSFGADQF | DDTDPRERVR | KASFFNWFYF | SINIGSFISS | TLLVWVQENV | 240 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | IALGTGGIKP | CVSSFGADQF | DKTDPSERVR | KASFFNWFYF | TINIGAFVSS | TVLVWIQEN | 227 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | IALGTGGIKP | CVSSFGADQF | DENDENEKIK | KSSFFNWFYF | SINVGALIAA | TVLVWI QMNV | 208 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | IALGTGGIKP | CVSSFGADQF | DDTDEKEKES | KSSFFNWFYF | VINVGAMIAS | SVLVWI QMNV | 208 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | LAIGTGGTKP | NISTIGADQF | DVFDPKEKTQ | KLSFFNWWMF | SIFFGTLFAN | TVLVYVQDNV | 215 |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 260 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 280 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ |  | 1 |  |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | GWGIGFGIPA | LFMGIAIASF | FSGTPLYRFQ | RPGGSPLTRM | GQVV | CKLDVPQDS | 285 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | GWGLGFGIPT | VFMGLAIASF | FFGTPLYRFQ | KPGGSPITRI | SQVVVASFRK | SSVKVPEDAT | 286 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | GWGLGFLIPT | VFMGVSIASF | FIGTPLYRFQ | KPGGSPITRV | CQVLVAAYRK | LKLNLPEDIS | 300 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | GWELGFLIPT | VFMGLATMSF | FFGTPLYRFQ | KPRGSPITSV | CQVLVAAYRK | SNLKVPEDS- | 286 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | GWGWGFGVPT | VAMVIAVCFF | FFGSRFYRLQ | RPGGGSPLTRI | FQVIVAAFRK | I SVKVPEDKS | 268 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | GWGWG LGVPT | VAMAIAVVFF | FAGSNFYRLQ | KPGGSPLTRM | LQVIVASCRK | SKVKIPEDES | 268 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | GWTLGYGLPT | LGLAISITIF | LLGTPFYRHK | LPTGSPFTKM | ARVIVASFRK | ANAPMTHDIT | 275 |
|  |  | $320$ |  | $340$ |  | $60$ |  |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | LLYETPDKHS | AIEGSRKLEH | TDELKCLDKA | AVVSDADMKS | GDF SNPWR LC | TVTQVEELK I | 345 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | LLYETQDKNS | AIAGSRKIEH | TDDCQYLDKA | AVISEEESKS | GDYSNSWRLC | TVTQVEELKI | 346 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | FLYETREKNS | MIAGSRKIQH | TDGYKFLDKA | AVISEYESKS | GAFSNPWKLC | TVTQVEEVKT | 360 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 |  |  | TDG--FLTKR | QL |  | -----KEMQT | 303 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | LLFETADDES | NIKGSRKLVH | TDNLKFFDKA | AVESQSDSIK | DGEVNPWRLC | SVTQVEELKS | 328 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | LLYENQDAES | SIIGSRKLEH | TKILTFFDKA | AVETESDNKG | AAKSSSWKLC | TVTQVEELKA | 328 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | SFHELPSLEY | ERKGAFPIHP | TPSLRFLDRA | SLKTGTNHK - | WNLC | TTTEVEETKQ | 328 |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 380 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ |  | ${ }_{1} 00$ |  | 1 |  |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | LIRMFPIWAT | GIVFAAVYAQ | MSTMFVEQGT | VMDRRIG-SF | TIPAASLSTF | DVISVIFWVP | 404 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | LIRMFPIWAS | GIIFSAVYAQ | MSTMFVQQGR | AMNCKIG-SF | QLPPAALGTF | DTASVI IWVP | 405 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | LIRMFPIWAS | GIVYSVLYSQ | I STLFVQQGR | SMNRIIR-SF | EIPPASFGVF | DTLIVLISIP | 419 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | LT | SY IY | --TLFVQQGR | CMKRTIG-LF | EIPPATLGMF | DTASVLISVP | 348 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | I ITLLPVWAT | GIVFATVYSQ | MSTMFVLQGN | TMDQHMGKNF | EIPSASLSLF | DTVSVLFWTP | 388 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | LIRLLPIWAT | GIVFASVYSQ | MGTVFVLQGN | TLDQHMGPNF | KIPSASLSLF | DTLSVLFWAP | 388 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | MLRMLPVLFI | TFVPSMMLAQ | INTLFVKQGT | TLDRKVTGSF | SIPPASLSGF | VTLSMLISIV | 388 |
|  |  | $440$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | I YDSFLVPIA | RKFTGQERGF | SELQRMG IGL | FISILSMVAA | AVVEIKRLQI | AQELGLVDE- | 463 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | LYDRFIVPLA | RKFTGVDKGF | TEIQRMGIGL | FVSVLCMAAA | AIVEIIRLHM | ANDLGLVES - | 464 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | 1 YDRFLVPFV | RRFTGIPKGL | TDLQRMGIGL | FLSVLSIAAA | AIVETVRLQL | AQD F | 473 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | I Y DRVIVPLV | RRFTGLAKGF | TELQRMGIGL | FVSVLSLTFA | AIVETVRLQL | ARDLDLVES | 407 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | VYDQFIIPLA | RKFTRNERGF | TQLQRMGIGL | VVSIFAMITA | GVLEVVRLDY | VKTHNAYDQ- | 447 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | VYDKLIVPFA | RKYTGHERGF | TQLQRIGIGL | VISIFSMVSA | GILEVARLNY | VQTHNLYNE- | 447 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | LYDRVFVKIT | RKFTGNPRGI | TLLQRMGIGL | IFHILIMIVA | SVTERYRLKV | AADHGLIHQT | 448 |
|  |  | $500$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | NVPVPLNIFW | QVPQYFLVGA | AEVFTFVGQL | EFFYDQSPDA | MRSLCSALSL | LTTSLGNYLS | 523 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | GAPVPISVLW | QIPQYFILGA | AEVFYFIGQL | EFFYDQSPDA | MRSLCSALAL | LTNALGNYLS | 524 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | --VAMS IFW | QIPQYILMGI | AEVFFFIGRV | EFFYDESPDA | MRSVCSALAL | LNTAVGSYLS | 530 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | GDIVPLNIFW | QIPQYFLMGT | AGVFFFVGRI | EFFYEQSPDS | MRSLCSAWAL | LTTTLGNYLS | 467 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | KQ-IHMSIFW | QIPQYLLIGC | AEVFTFIGQL | EFFYDQAPDA | MRSLCSALSL | TTVALGNYLS | 506 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | ET-IPMTIFW | QVPQYFLVGC | AEVFTFIGQL | EFFYDQAPDA | MRSLCSALSL | TAIAFGNYLS | 506 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | GVKLPLTIFA | LLPQFVLMGM | ADSFLEVAKL | EFFYDQAPES | MKSLGTSYST | TSLAIGNFMS | 508 |
|  |  | $560$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | SFILTVVTAL | TTAGGNPGW I | P-DNLNKGHL | DNFFWLLAGL | SFLNLLLYVF | CSLRYKQKKA | 582 |
| AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | SLILTLVTYF | TTRNGQEGWI | S-DNLNSGHL | DYFFWLLAGL | SLVNMAVYFF | SAARYKQKKA | 583 |
| AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | SLILTLVAYF | TALGGKDGWV | P-DDLNKGHL | DYFFWLLVSL | GLVNIPVYAL | I CVKHTKKKA | 589 |
| AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | SLIITLVAYL | S---GKDCWI | PSDNINNGHL | DYFFWLLVSL | GSVNIPVFVF | FSVKYTHMKV | 524 |
| AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | TVLVTVVMK I | TKKNGKPGWI | P-DNLNRGHL | DYFFYLLATL | SFLNFLVYLW | I SKRYKYKKA | 565 |
| AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | TFLVTLVTKV | TRSGGRPGWI | A-KNLNNGHL | DYFFWLLAGL | SFLNFLVYLW | I AKWYTYKKT | 565 |
| AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | SFLLSTVSEI | TKKRGR-GWI | -LNNLNESRL | DYYYLFFAVL | NLVNFVLFLV | VVKFYVYRAE | 566 |

Bv6_128350 ktfi.t1 AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 AtPTR6-AT1G62200.1 AtPTR4-AT2G02020. AtPTR1-AT3G54140.2 AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1

Table 4. Aminoacid sequence identities (\%) among the peptide transporter genes, PTR, of sugar beet (Bv) and Arabidopsis thaliana (At).

| Specie | Gene |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bv | Bv6_128350_ktfi.t1 | 1 |  | 72.8 | 62.0 | 56.1 | 60.4 | 59.1 | 41.8 |
| At | AtPTR2_AT2G02040.1 | 2 | 72.8 |  | 68.0 | 62.7 | 59.1 | 57.1 | 40.2 |
| At | AtPTR6_AT1G62200.1 | 3 | 62.0 | 68.0 |  | 63.1 | 53.2 | 52.8 | 37.8 |
| At | AtPTR4_AT2G02020.2 | 4 | 56.1 | 62.7 | 63.1 |  | 47.2 | 45.9 | 35.9 |
| At | AtPTR1_AT3G54140.1 | 5 | 60.4 | 59.1 | 53.2 | 47.2 |  | 73.9 | 42.3 |
| At | AtPTR5_AT5G01180.1 | 6 | 59.1 | 57.1 | 52.8 | 45.9 | 73.9 |  | 41.6 |
| At | AtPTR3_AT5G46050.1 | 7 | 41.8 | 40.2 | 37.8 | 35.9 | 42.3 | 41.6 |  |

## Discussion

In this study, we have demonstrated the feasibility of combining the BSA and RAD-seq approaches to generate a large number of candidate SNPs associated with root elongation rate in a format suitable for high-throughput genotyping. Our approach provides a good example of the high potential of RAD technology, combined with comparative assembly to the sugar beet genome, to characterize large numbers of informative SNPs in pooled DNA samples. Analogous approaches were successfully used to identify a panel of SNPs in eggplant (Barchi et al. 2011) and sugar beet (Stevanato et al. 2014).
Among associations between SNP mutations and the RER trait in sugar beet, we identified a very strong association for SNP10139. Analogously, Rosas et al. (2013) found a SNP influencing root system architecture on two candidate genes (RSA1 and PHO1) of Arabidopsis thaliana and Kumar et al. (2014) revealed several SNP polymorphisms, within the Rtcl, Rth3, Ruml and Rull genes, associated with seedling root traits in maize.

The homologue peptide transporter gene (PTR) of Bv6_128350_ktfi, where SNP10139 was mapped, influences not only root development but also the uptake of nitrate and peptides from the soil in Arabidopsis thaliana (Bai et al. 2013). Komarova et al. (2008) showed that over-expression of a dipeptides transporter AtPTR5 could enhance root growth and increase N content. Fan et al. (2014) demonstrated in rice that the di/tripeptide transporter OsPTR6 increases both growth and N accumulation. This could help to explain the previously found close association between the morphological and related physiological root traits and productivity in sugar beet (Stevanato et al. 2010).

The SNP10139 polymorphism is a silent mutation, which does not result in an amino acid exchange. A biological explanation for the effect of this SNP could be that it may be in linkage disequilibrium with another mutation in coding regions. Alternatively, this SNP might change the substrate specificity of the RNA influencing the timing of translation and protein expression (Kimchi-Sarfaty et al. 2007). Numerous examples have been reported in the literature for linkages between silent mutations and phenotype alterations (Goymer 2007; Garg et al. 2012; Jha et al. 2015). An association between root morphology and synonymous SNPs was recently found in maize (Abdel-Ghani et al. 2015) and rice (Li et al. 2015).

Previous studies have demonstrated that differences in gene expression can be associated with quantitative traits and SNPs. Jaiswal et al. (2015) found a SNP modulating the expression of the gene TaGW2 associated with grain weight in wheat. Further studies will investigate the functional effect of SNP10139 alleles on PTR gene expression and root morphology in sugar beet.

Root breeding has been proposed as a key factor for the "second green revolution" (Lynch, 2007). Nevertheless, the contribution of sugar beet root traits as tools for the selection of high yielding cultivars has not been adequately taken into account in breeding programs. The molecular marker associated with root growth identified here is one of the most efficient ways for improving root apparatus in sugar beet. The introgression of the SNP10139 allele into sugar beet genotypes might improve root soil exploration and nutrient acquisition. Previous studies in maize and sugar beet showed that rapid primary root growth plays a major role in nutrient uptake and productivity and it was hypothesized that alleles promoting root growth may facilitate selection for efficient nutrient use (Vamerali et al. 2003; Stevanato et al. 2010).

In conclusion, our results suggest that the use of SNP10139 marker in gene-assisted selection programs offers an opportunity to improve sugar beet root development and nutrient acquisition, facilitating the selection of high yielding cultivars.

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Supplementary material S1. Information on 234 SNPs used in the study from sugar beet genome (RefBeet-1.1).

| SNP ID | Chr. | Scaffold | Sequence |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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Supplementary material S2. Sequences of the designed primers and TaqMan probes for detection of the SNP10139.

| Assay ID | Forward <br> Primer Seq. | Reverse <br> Primer Seq. | Reporter <br> 1 Dye | Reporter 1 <br> Sequence | Reporter <br> 2 Dye | Reporter 2 <br> Sequence |
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| SNP10139 | CGTTTTGCCC <br> TGCAGCTACT | CAGTCCCCAA <br> TGCAATCAGA | VIC | TATTCTTTTT <br> GGGCCTCT | FAM | TACGGAGTAT <br> TCTTTTTAGG |

## GENERAL CONCLUSION

The development and application of high-throughput genome-wide genotyping methods can significantly broaden the germplasm screening capabilities. The proposed panel of 192 SNPs, obtained with RAD sequencing approach, is a suitable resource for the estimation of genetic relationships among sugar beet parental lines and varieties.

BSA and association analysis have been successfully used for identifying markers linked to important traits of interest such as nematode tolerance, bolting resistance and root elongation rate.

The SNP marker, called SNP192, showed complete association to the nematode tolerance gene HsBvm-1. The use of the related TaqMan assay is advantageous with respect to conventional selection and is recommended for high-throughput marker-assisted breeding of nematode tolerance in sugar beet.
A new putative locus involved in the genetic determination of bolting tendency in sugar beets was identified. SNP183, together with other associated polymorphisms, could assist breeding programs aimed at developing germplasm with low bolting tendency.

Among associations between SNP mutations and root elongation rate trait in sugar beet, SNP10139 showed the strongest overall association. The use of SNP10139 marker in geneassisted selection programs offers an opportunity to improve sugar beet root development and nutrient acquisition, facilitating the selection of high yielding cultivars.

In conclusion, the feasibility of combining the BSA and RAD-seq approaches to generate a large number of candidate SNP has been demonstrated. This approach provides a good example of the high potential of RAD technology, combined with comparative assembly to the sugar beet genome, to develop large numbers of informative SNPs. Moreover, SNP markers and the relative TaqMan assays can be used in sugar beet breeding programs for the development of improved varieties.

