

Collating *P. infestans* population data: an update

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Summary

- Background – key findings in past 18 months
- Recent data on European monitoring
- Status and plans for Eucablight database using rust toolbox as an example
- Conclusions and key questions



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What is new since StPetersburg?

- 13_A2 spread in GB published

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Genome Analyses of an Aggressive and Invasive Lineage of the Irish Potato Famine Pathogen

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What is new since StPetersburg?

- 12plex SSR system published



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Efficient multiplex simple sequence repeat genotyping of the oomycete plant pathogen *Phytophthora infestans*



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What is new since StPetersburg?

- 13_A2 in NL and presence of *Rpi-blb 1* breaking strains in NL population (G3 journal)

Population Dynamics of *Phytophthora infestans* in the Netherlands Reveals Expansion and Spread of Dominant Clonal Lineages and Virulence in Sexual Offspring

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What is new since StPetersburg?

- 13_A2 confirmed in China



Plant Pathology (2012)

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Population structure of *Phytophthora infestans* in China – geographic clusters and presence of the EU genotype Blue_13

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What is new since StPetersburg?

- 13_A2 confirmed in India

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Emergence of 13_A2 Blue Lineage of *Phytophthora infestans* was Responsible for Severe Outbreaks of Late Blight on Tomato in South-West India

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What is new since StPetersburg?

- Clonal populations US-1 and KE-1 dominant in Sub-Saharan Africa



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***Phytophthora infestans* populations in central, eastern and southern African countries consist of two major clonal lineages**

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What is new since StPetersburg?

- Evidence for sexual recombination in European *P. infestans* reviewed



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REVIEW

What is the evidence for sexual reproduction of *Phytophthora infestans* in Europe?

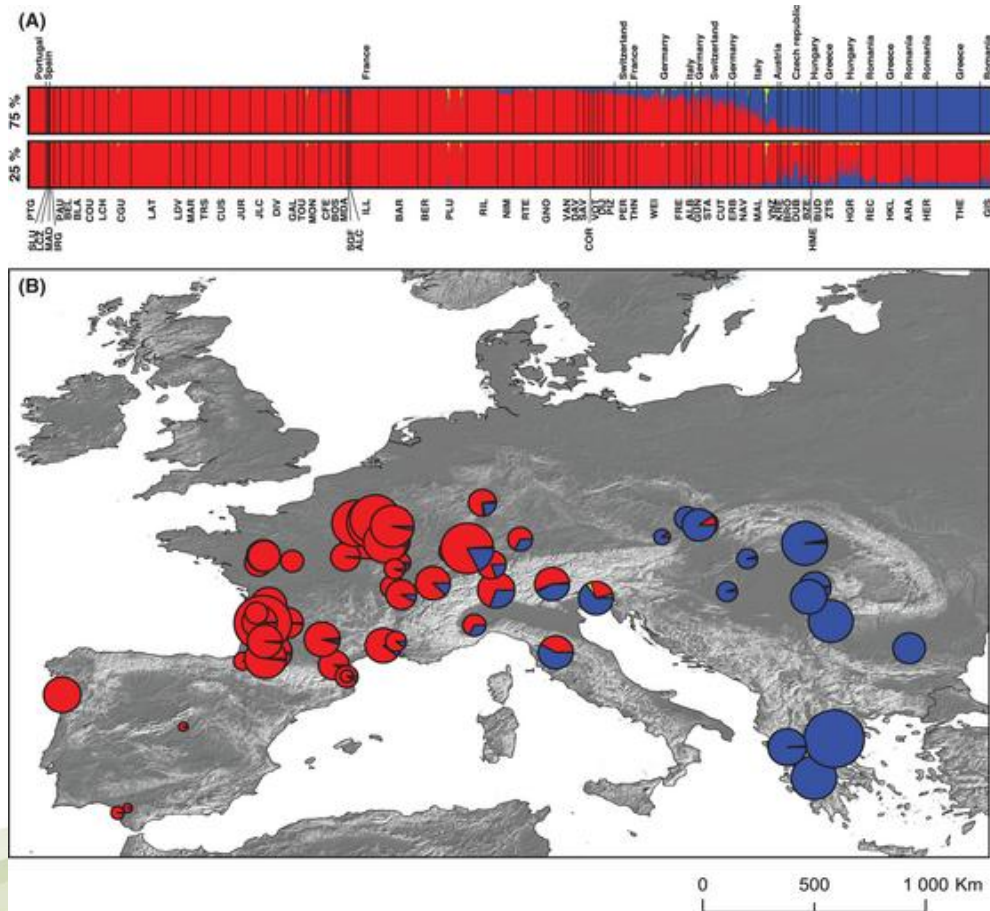
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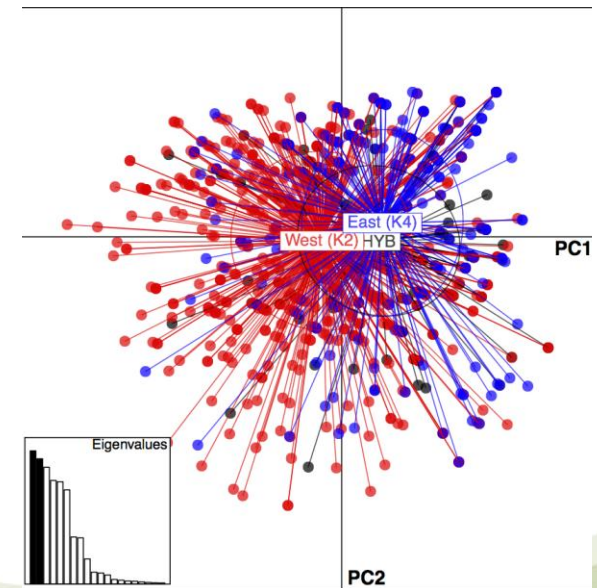
What is new since StPetersburg?

- **Hamed & Gisi 2012** Generation of pathogenic F1 progeny from crosses of *Phytophthora infestans* isolates differing in ploidy. *Plant Pathology*
 - Ploidy of some EU isolates and increased viability of diploid x diploid crosses compared to crosses involving triploid isolates confirmed
- **Lees, et al 2012.** The Effect of a dominant *Phytophthora infestans* genotype (13_A2) in Great Britain on host resistance to foliar late blight in commercial potato cultivars. *Potato Research* 55, 125-134
 - Confirmed decrease in resistance ratings

Genetic signature of a range expansion and leap-frog event after the recent invasion of Europe by the grapevine downy mildew pathogen *Plasmopara viticola*



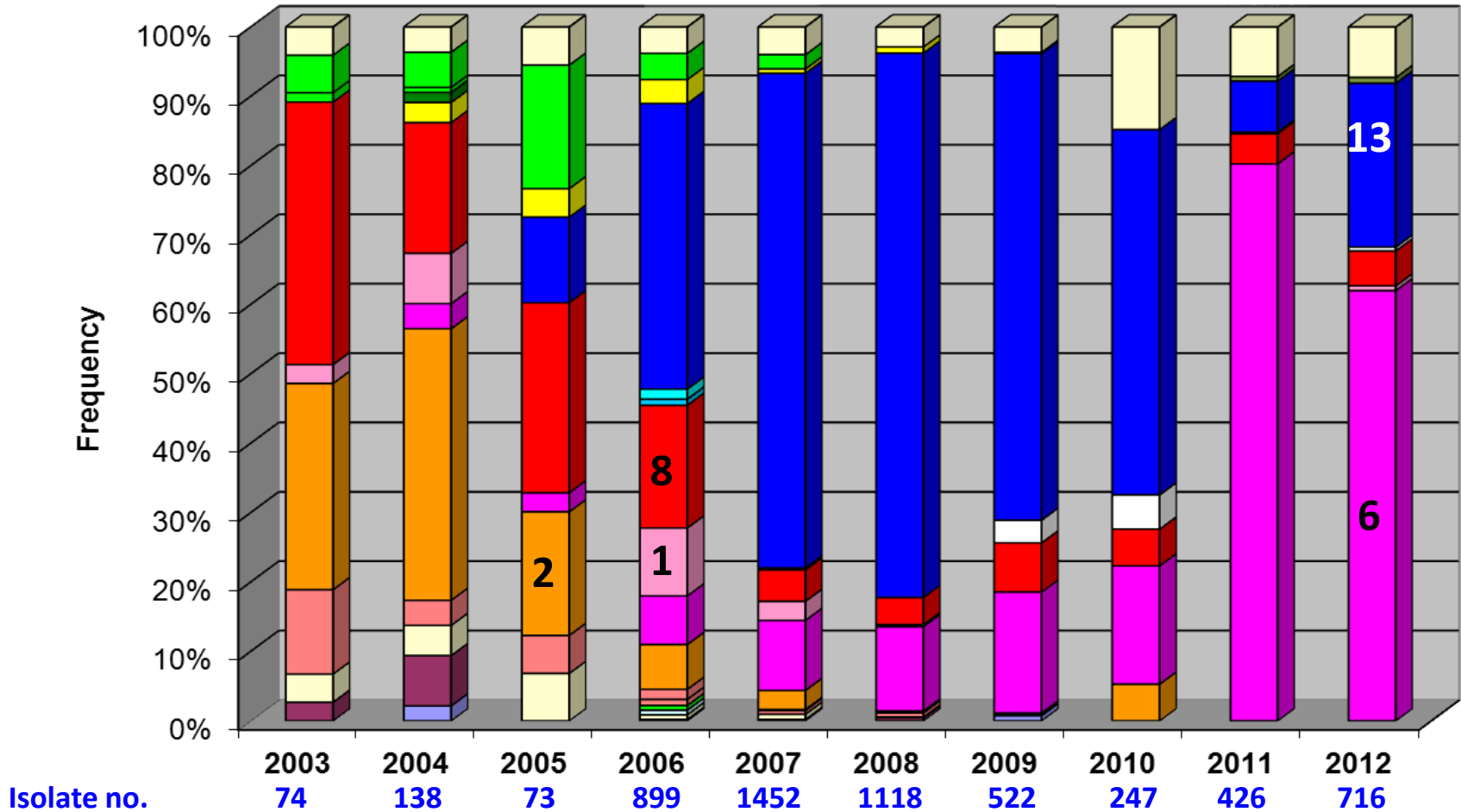
- 1146 samples from 68 vineyards
- 8 SSR loci
- 515 genotypes
- Generally low diversity interbreeding population suggests single introduction in 1870s
- Weak discrimination of East and West populations



GB *P. infestans* population update



GB genotypes

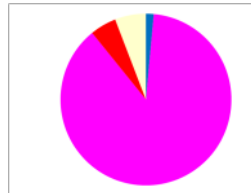
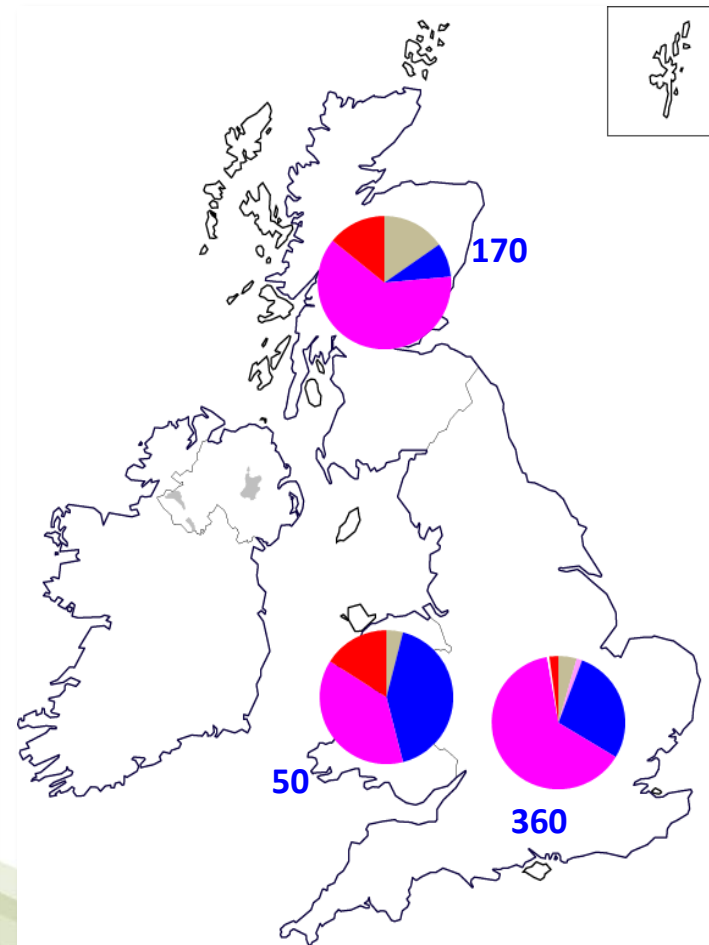


2012 GB *P. infestans* genotype by country

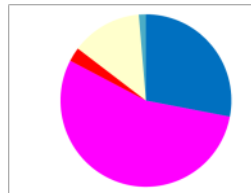


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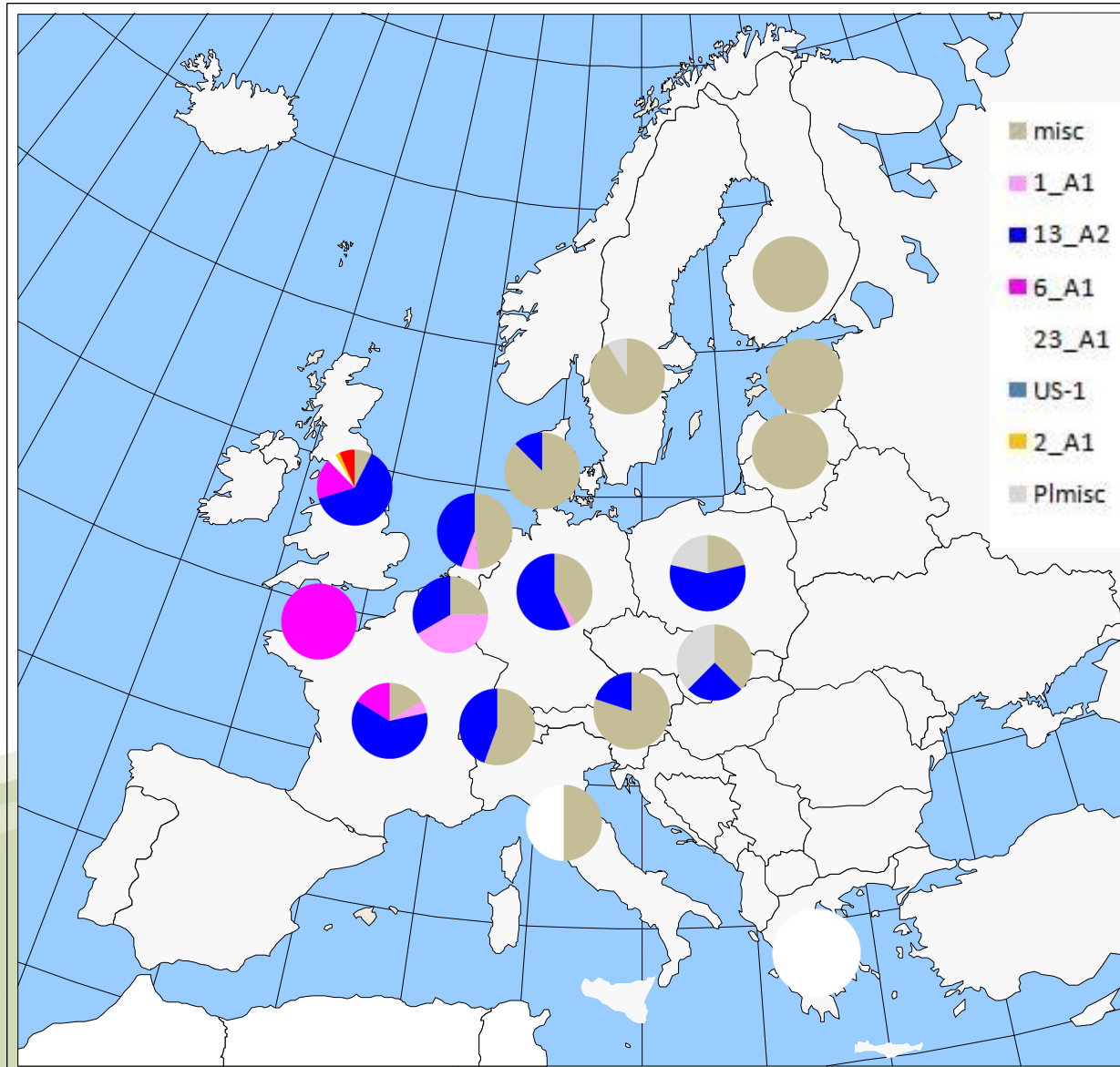
- **Scotland** higher proportion of 6_A1 relates to last years dominance of this genotype. Greater number of novel genotypes than in England and Wales
- **England** 6_A1 dominated despite a cooler wetter season that was expected to have been more conducive to 13_A2
- **Wales** greatest frequency of 13_A2
- **Summary**
 - GB still dominated by two aggressive clonal lineages
 - primary inoculum from last season is important



2011

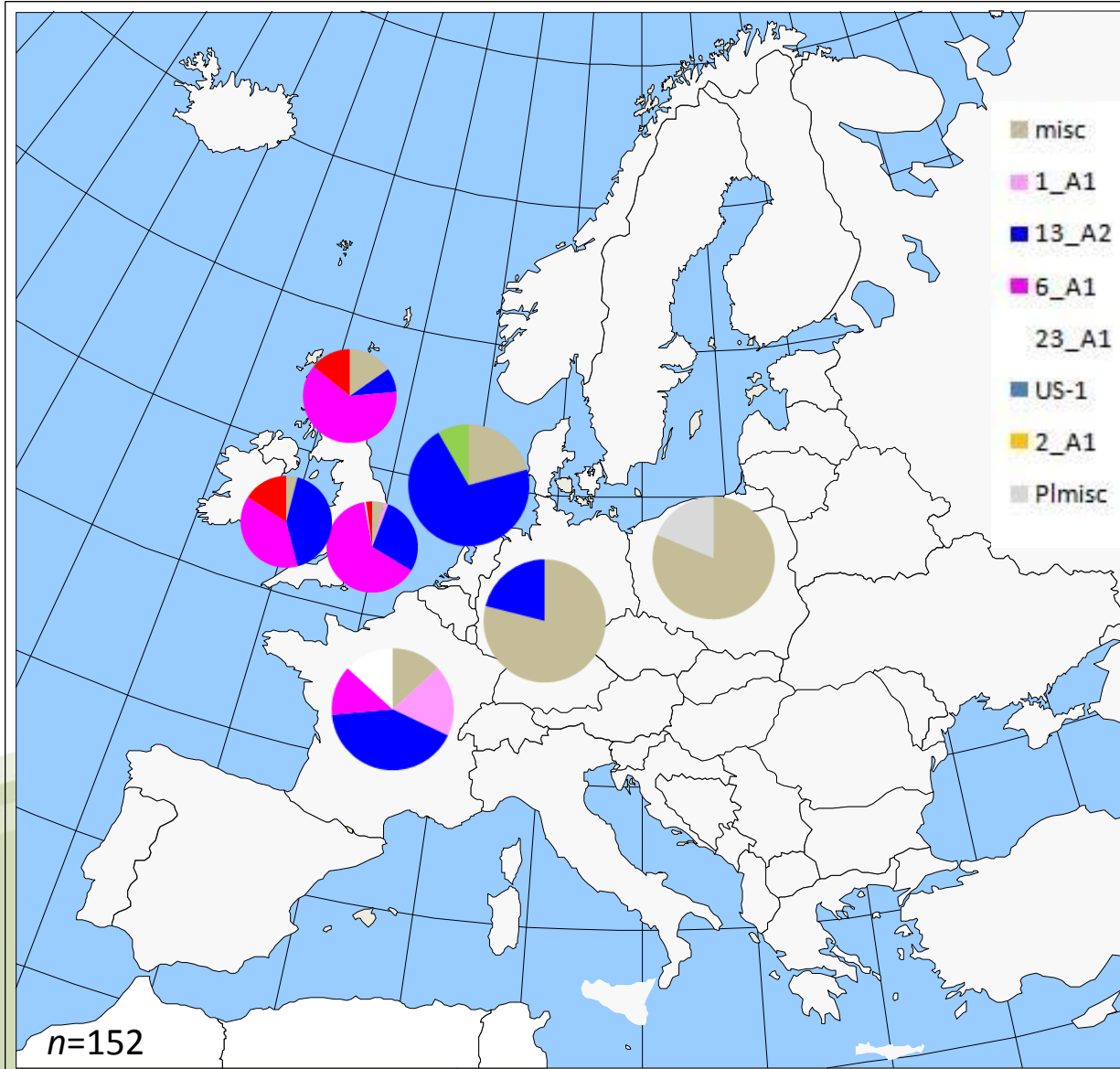


Sample of EU *P. infestans* genotypes (2008-10) (*n*=350)



- 13_A2 still present in many areas (less due to reduced Metalaxyl use?)
- A high proportion of novel 'misc' types particularly in NE
- New genotype in PL, SK & SE
- 23_A1 on tomato in Italy & GK
- Thanks to Bayer and Syngenta, Howard Hinds, Vangelis Vellios

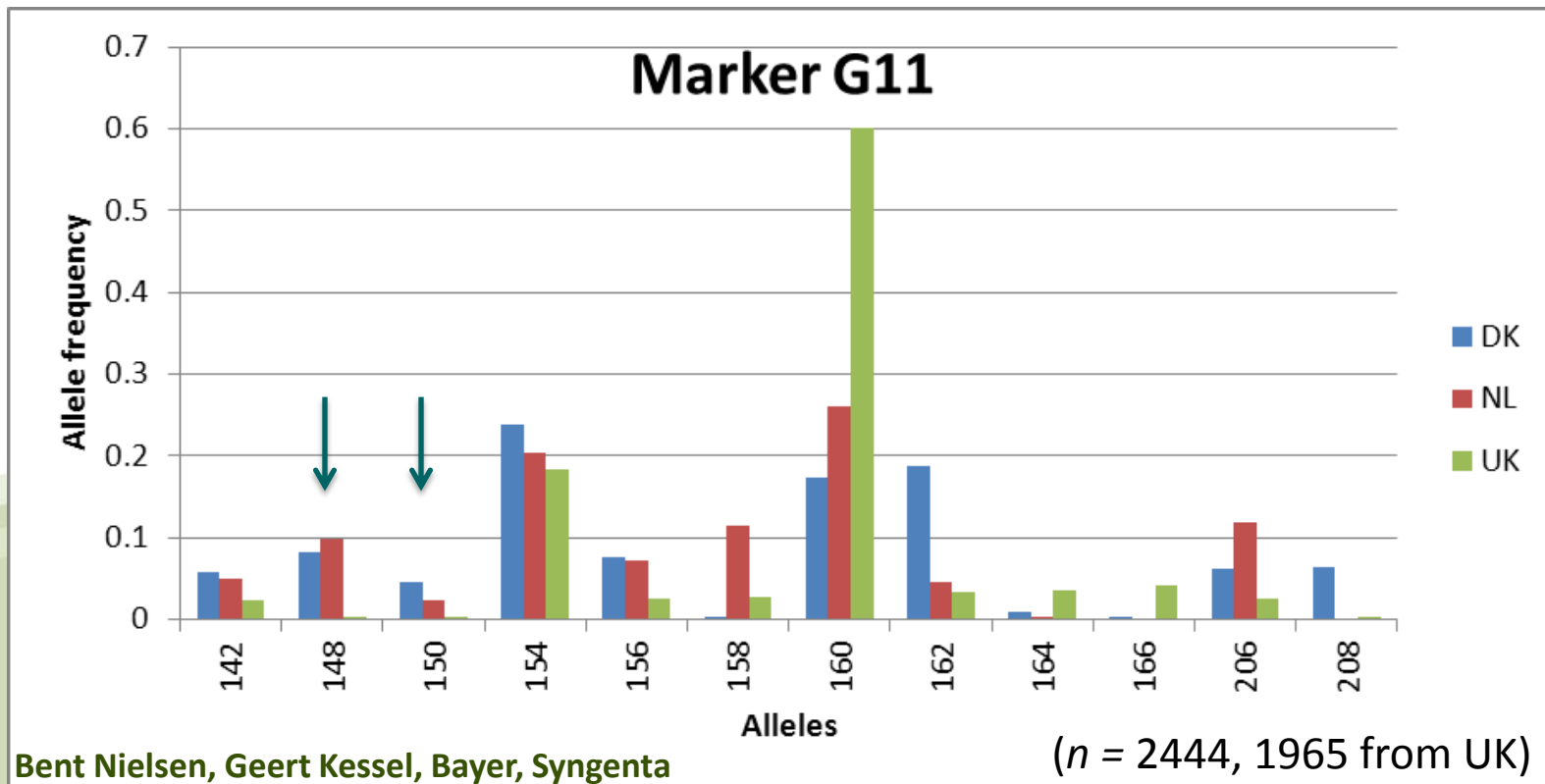
Genotypic diversity in 2012 (mainland Europe)



- **Christophe Andreas-Braun** (fungicide session)
- **France** ($n = 53$) the population remains mainly clonal
- **Germany** ($n= 57$) fewer 13_A2 isolates and more novel misc genotypes
- **Netherlands** ($n=24$) 13_A2 dominant with misc and genotype 33 also present
- **Poland** ($n=16$) One Polish clone and many diverse isolates
- **UK (PCL)** ($n=578$)

SSR Allele frequency differences

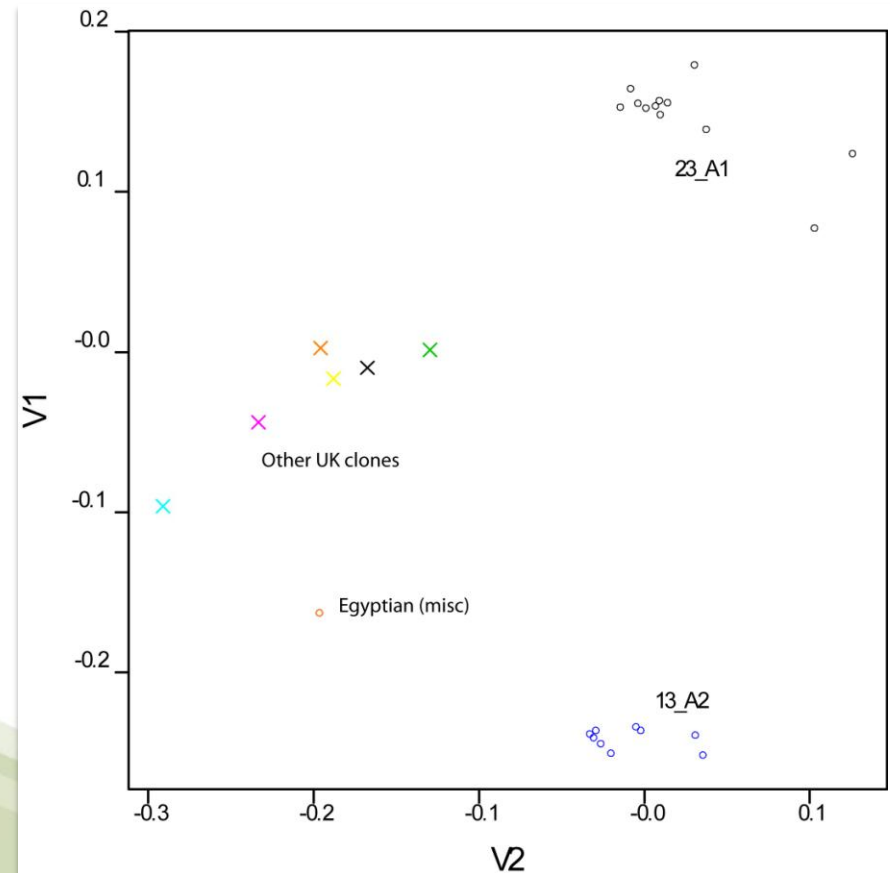
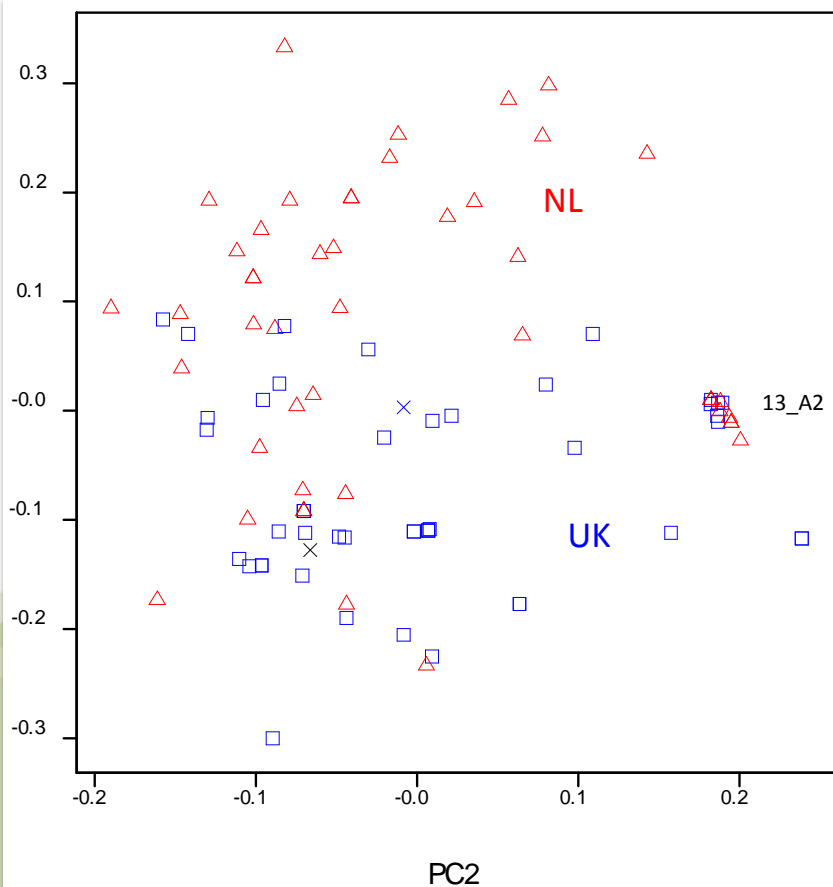
- Many alleles in common across Europe
- Country-specific differences in allele frequencies noted
- Comparisons on standard data in database easier & faster



Population comparisons – SSRs & POLYSAT

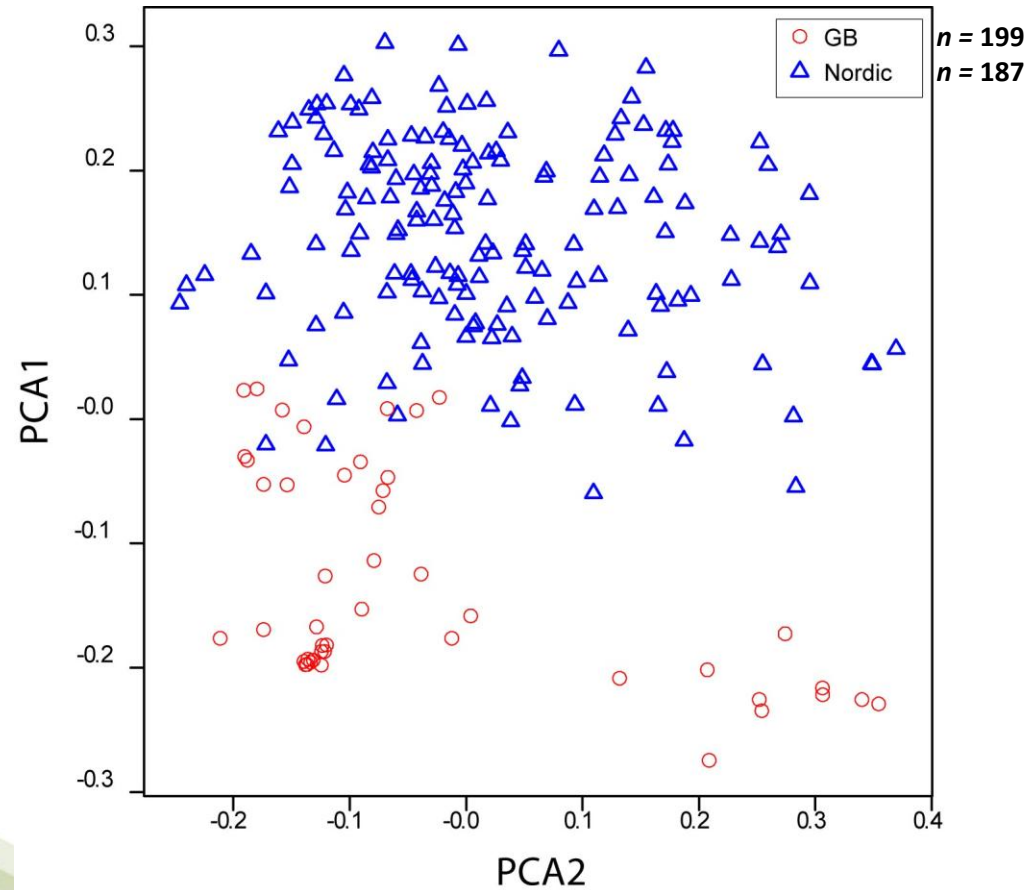
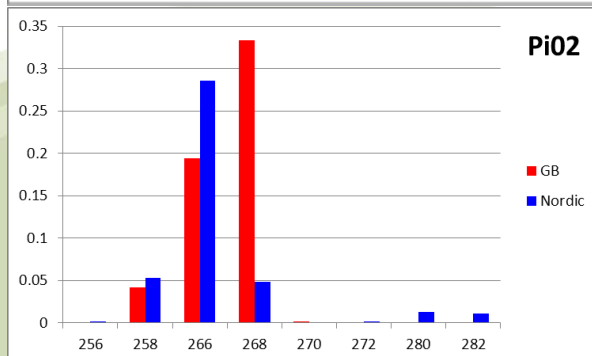
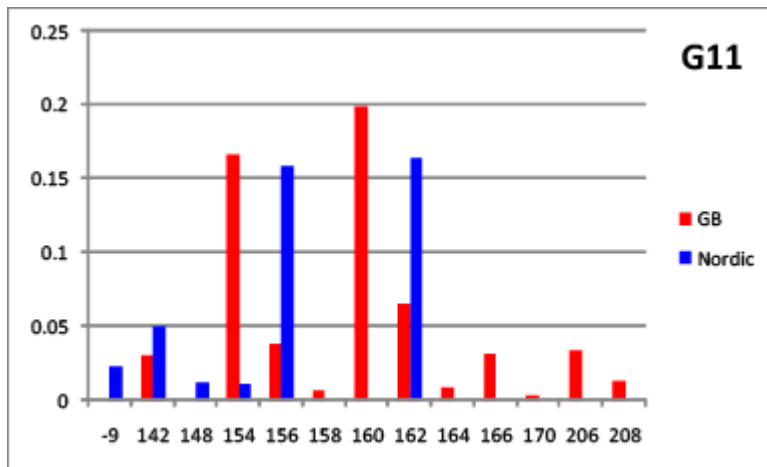
- Li *et al* 2012 *J. Microb. Methods* - 12 plex script
- Clones versus novel isolates
- NL vs UK populations

- Sherif El Ganainy, Giza, Egypt
- Clonal population
- Sub clonal comparisons may identify source population



UK versus Nordic regions

- Nordic population (2003) more diverse than GB (2006)
- Populations distinct due to specific alleles





The Wheat Rust Toolbox for global wheat rust surveillance and monitoring

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Global Rust Reference Center



Wheat Rust Toolbox



RustTracker

Wheat Rust Toolbox ICT framework



EuroWheat

GRRC

RustTracker



Wheat rust toolbox



Models and applications layer [.NET]

XML, CSV

Exchange and integration with external platforms



SQL Databases: Host-Pathogen etc.

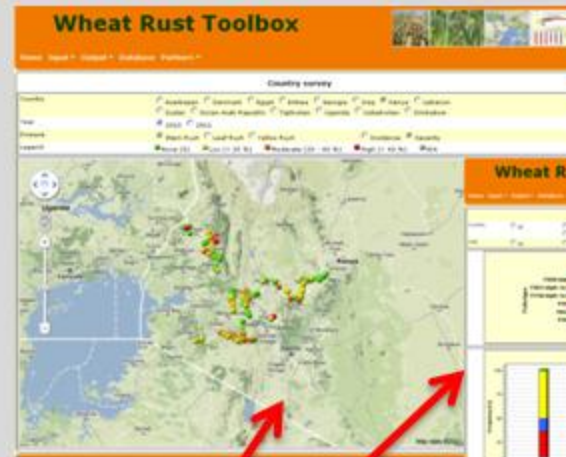
Data Management: Wheat Rust Toolbox

NB: Generic - Applicable to all rusts & other diseases

On-line Data Entry



Smartphone / tablet survey tool



Outputs:

- Survey Mapping
- Pathotypes, +...



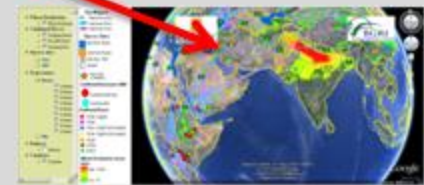
Quality control/publish

Data Export / Exchange

User Management

Wheat Rust Toolbox

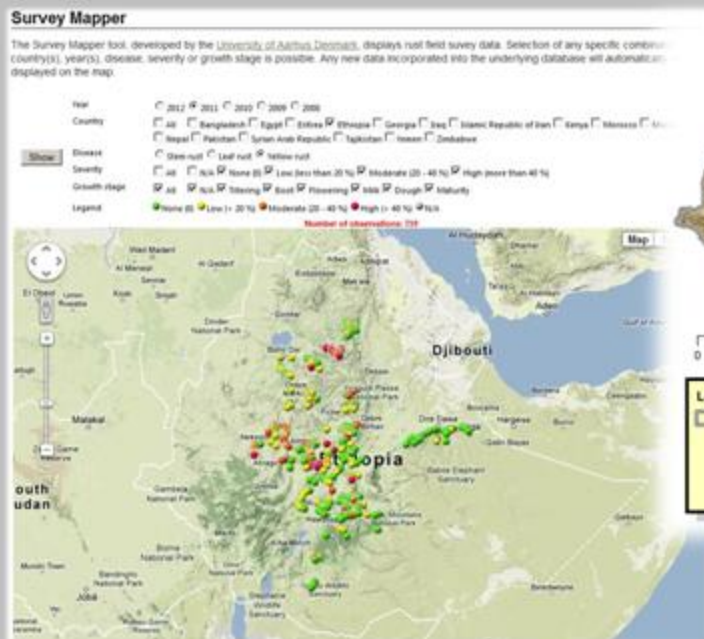
Host Pathogen Dbase (survey, pathotypes,)
[Trap nursery, Barberry, Molecular]



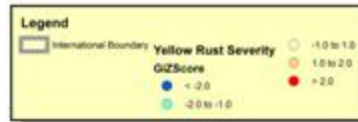
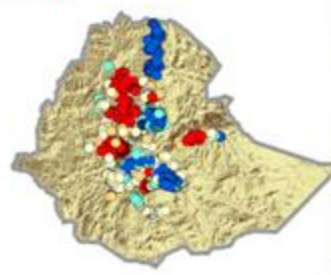
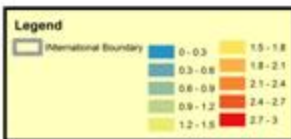
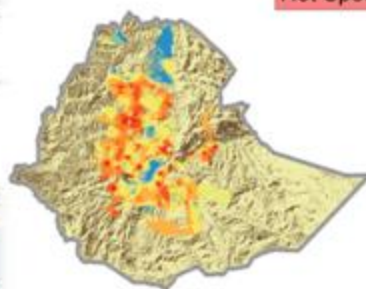
External Applications e.g., RustMapper

Rust Tracker.org / Toolbox – Platform for all rusts

- All examples show Yellow Rust
- Increased focus on other rusts
- (Platform for other diseases)

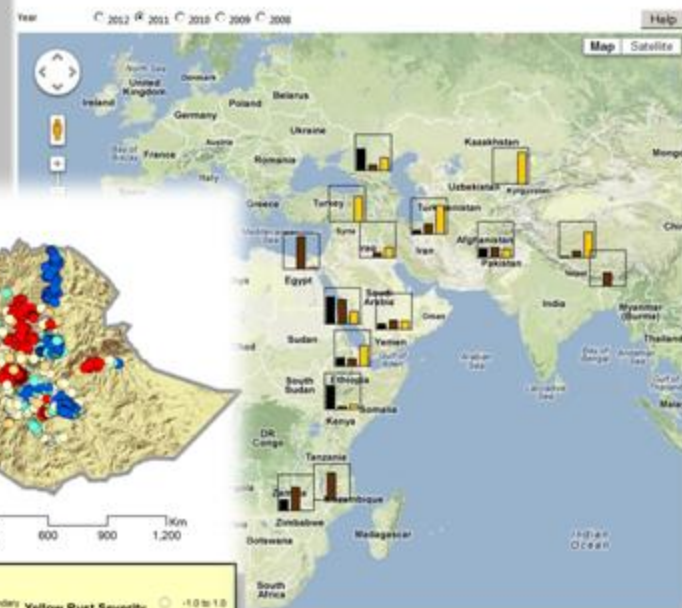


Hot Spot Analysis



Importance of Rusts

The Importance of Rusts tool, developed by the University of Aarhus, Denmark, displays the relative importance (frequency observed on field survey) of the three wheat rusts – stem, leaf, and yellow rust, per country and year. Selection of any specific country(s), year(s), disease, severity or growth stage is possible. Any new data incorporated into the underlying database will automatically be displayed on the graphs.



Monitoring: Virulences / Pathotypes

WHEAT RUST

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Home Wheat Rust survey

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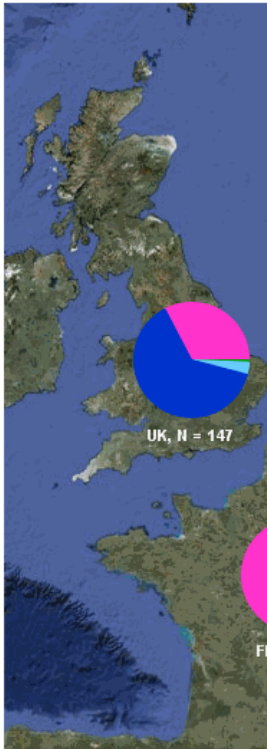
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Year All 2012 2011 2010 2009 2008 2007 2006 2005 2004 2003 2002 2001 2000

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Virulence All 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 15 17 24 25 27 32 sd su sp AvS Amb

Show Pathotype Virulence



Data provided by: Institut National de l'Agriculture Botany (United Kingdom)

Under test YELLOW RUST PATHOTYPES AND VIRULENCES

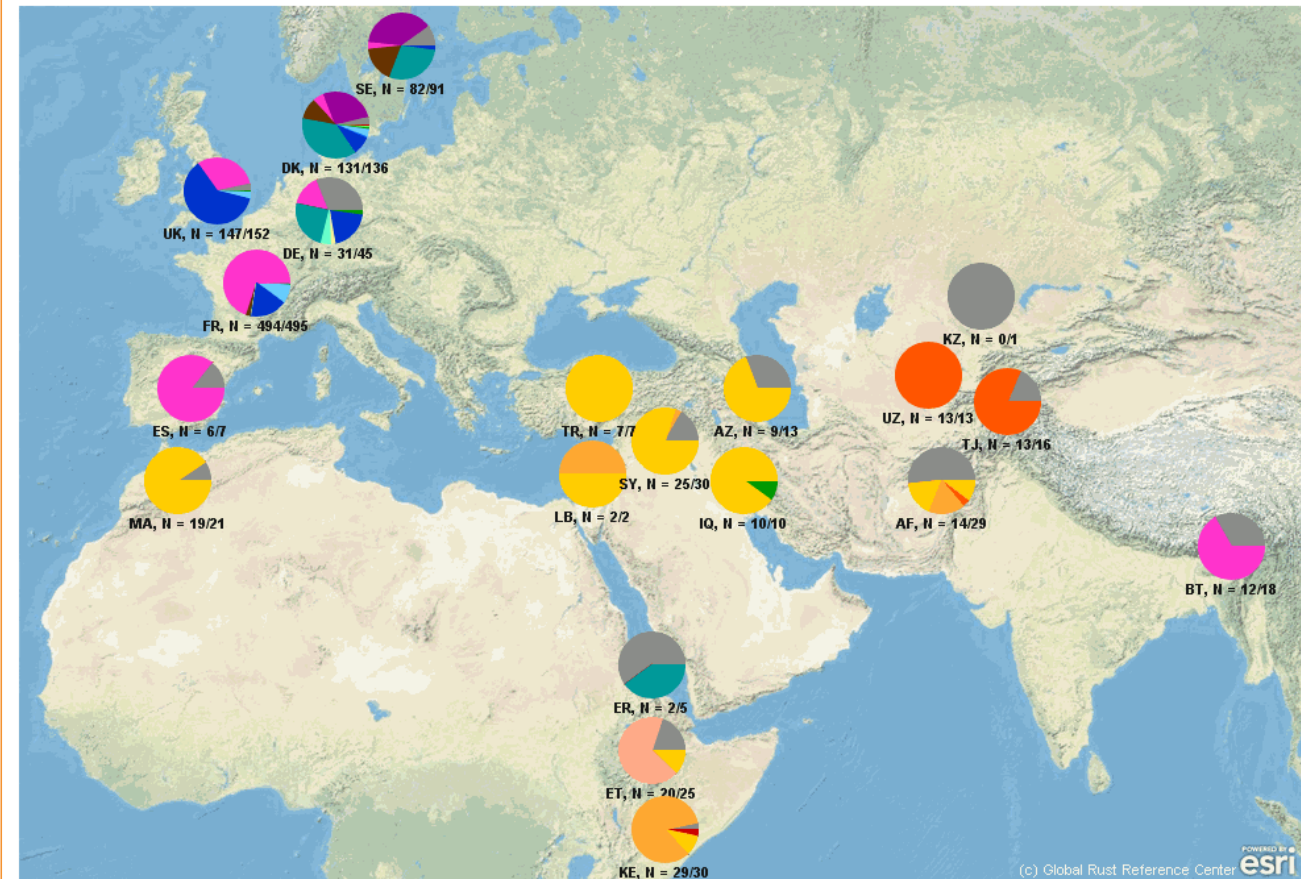
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Show Pathotype Virulence

Legend: Brigadier I, Brigadier II, Lynx I, Lynx II, Robigus I, Robigus II, Oakley, Mediterranean 6E16, Wheat aggressive, Triticale aggressive I, Triticale aggressive II, Tulsa, Warrior/Ambition, Kranich, CWANA1, CWANA2, CWANA3, CWANA4, CWANA5, SA1



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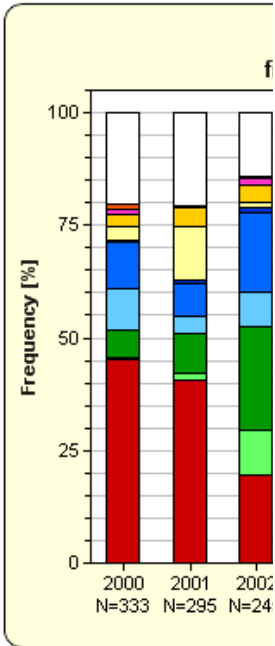
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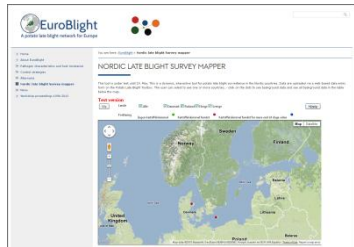


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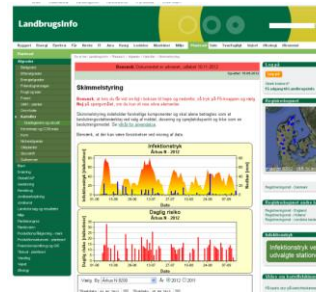
Potato Late Blight Toolbox ICT framework



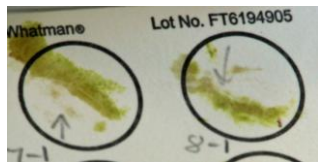
EuroBlight



Extension service

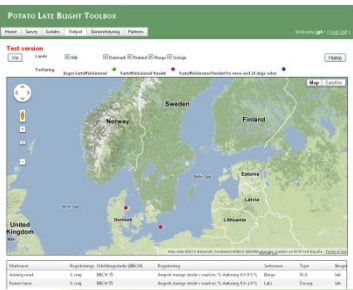


SmartPhone APPs



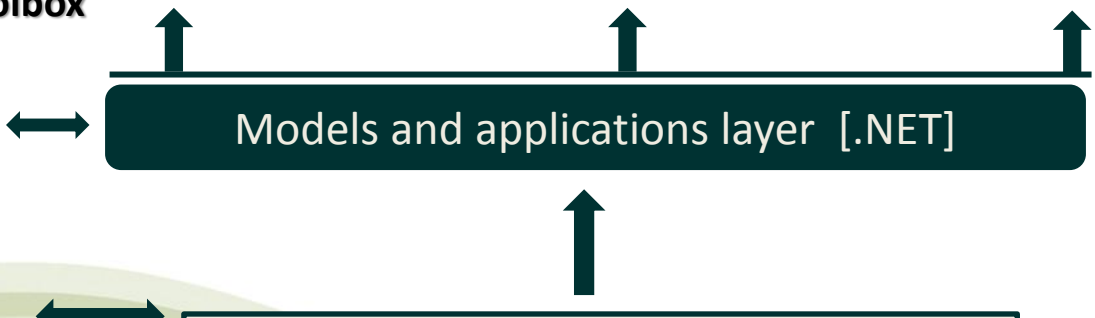
FTA card tracking

Potato late blight toolbox



XML, CSV

Exchange and integration with external platforms



Potato Late Blight Toolbox: Status

- A Potato Late Blight Toolbox constructed
- Existing *P. infestans* data to be transferred to new Host – Pathogen DB that stores the global wheat rust data.
- Data entry tools, data management tools and display tools can be re-used for *P. infestans* with minor adaptations.
- Include R-statistical server based components. This is under development
- Import of data and data visualization on Web / smartphone / Web services
- Obvious synergy between experiences from organisation, integration and collaboration on a global scale from the Wheat rust databases

Conclusions, questions & thanks

- *P. infestans* population diverse but structured in EU
 - Database upgrade will provide more powerful analysis and visualisation tools to inform management
 - We need to better understand phenotype - genotype link
 - Why do clones dominate in some regions and not in others?
 - Does sexual recombination drive adaptation to fungicides & host resistance? Does theory match fact?
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- **Thanks to all current and future data submitters**