

Genomic tools for berry pre-breeding material : from genome to new berry cultivars

An introductory hands-on to the application of genomic prediction

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Evolution of breeding strategies : Phenotypic -> Genomic Prediction

Meuwissen 2001

Screening based on phenotypes





Marker-assisted selection



Genotyping of SNP 1 Allele 1 = Phenotypic value

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New Issues

More than one trait selected Trait regulated by more than one SNP



Selection based on 1 genetic markers



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Selection based on a large number of genetic markers

	SNP1	SNP2	SNP3	SNP4	SNP5	SNP6	SNP7	SNP8	SNP9		SNP +
genotype A	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1		2
genotype B	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	2		2
genotype C	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1		1
genotype D	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	2		1
genotype E	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1		2
genotype F	2	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	1		2
genotype G	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	2		2
genotype H	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	2		1
genotype I	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1		2
enotype J	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	2		2
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Genetic regions that regulate one or more traits

Genomic prediction

Meuwissen et al. 2001

• **Statistical tool** developed to speed up the breeding process

• Objective: Estimation of a 'Breeding value' based on whole genome information

Breeding value : A value that correlates with the phenotypic mean

1- Design of the prediction model using a <u>training population</u>



Heffner et al. 2009



Heffner *et al.* 2009

2- Model <u>application</u>

Selection of the training population



Populations





Bi-parental population



Connected population

Genetic diversity collection

Parameters: Population size, Structure (composition)

Data needed for genomic prediction



Populations

Genetic markers = dense genetic map

Parameters: Type of marker, Density of markers, Coverage, Polymorphism, Minor allele frequency

The number of markers for 'good coverage' depends on the species



Groups of markers transmitted together : A < B Number of markers needed : A > B Parameters: Type of marker, Density of markers, Coverage, Polymorphism, Minor allele frequency

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Phenotypic scoring



Parameters:

Quantitative scale, Distribution of the trait, Variability in the population, Quality of assessment, Transformation of raw data Environmental effect/plasticity





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How do you calculate genetic value from markers???



Genomic Best Linear Unbiased Prediction (GBLUP)

Parameters: Statistical framework (frequentist or bayesian), Resolution method, Input data (genetic matrix RRBLUP or kinship GBLUP), Shrinkage (RR, LASSO, intermediates Bayes alphabet/Elastic Net),

New variety = unknown phenotype

Predicted phenotypic value of the new variety







Y=a*x + b -

Solving the model with the genetic markers of the new variety Calculation of yi



Key point: Evaluation of new genotypes using only genetic information (earlier + faster assessment, more accurate, takes all genetic information into account)



Examples of results:

Powdery mildew resistance prediction on strawberry

Cross-validation

For testing the efficency of genomic prediction



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Improvement of model efficiency ?

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2 examples of ways to improve predictive ability



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Many other options

Statistical model -> depends on trait architecture Genetic markers -> number and filter for quality Polyploids -> Consider markers with allelic frequency Cross validation scheme Population structure Kinship for non-additive effects Multivariate models

... Infinite and linked to the breeding objectives ...

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Prediction of phenotypic values of new hybrids in screening steps (replacing a part of phenotypic scoring)

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Gains index accross year in Holsteins breed



(Adatped from CDN, 2019)

with genomic selection

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Conclusion: Genomic prediction is a method which needs time to be improved but which is very promising for the selection of complex and integrated traits. **Acknowledgements**



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