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Patcharin Songsri, Jiraporn Nata, Nuntawoot Jongrungklang*

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Joshi SV, Lloyd Evans D*

MO4 **Analysis of QTL related to resistance to smut disease using Japanese wild sugarcane (*Saccharum spontaneum*)**
Masaaki Mori, Yusuke Ueta, Tatsuro Kimura, Hiroyuki Enoki,, Takeo Sakaigaichi, Yusuke Tarumoto, Minoru Tanaka, Taiichiro Hattori, Makoto Umeda, Michiko Hayano, Katsuki Adachi*

MO5 **Genome-wide association mapping for traits related to drought tolerance and biomass in sugarcane (*Saccharum* spp.) using EST-SSR markers**
Laurent Soulard, Warodom Wirojsirasak, Nitiya Juabsap, Chirawat Prasitsom, Prapat Punpee, Peeraya Klomsa-ard, Klanarong Sriroth*

MO6 **Isolation of specific genomic DNA segments from *E. arundinaceus* and chromosome identification**
Yongji Huang, Fan Yu, Ling Luo, Zuhu Deng, Jiayun Wu, Muqing Zhang*

MO7 **Mapping cold-tolerant photosynthetic quantitative trait loci in (*Saccharum spontaneum* x *Saccharum* spp.) hybrids for ultimate introgression into sugarcane**
Vanessa Gordon, Wittney Mays, Lindsay Clark, Shailendra Sharma, Chifumi Nagai, Ray Ming, Erik Sacks*

MO8 **The developmental stages of sugarcane are equivalent between plants of different chronological ages**
Donna Glassop, Mark P. Hodson, Panagiotis K. Chrysanthopoulos, Anne Rae*

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*Shiqiang Xu, Jihua Wang, Heyang Shang, Youzong Huang, Wei Yao, Baoshan Chen, Muqing Zhang**

MO10 **Guidelines for commercial release of transgenic sugarcane in Argentina**
Aldo Noguera, Ramón Enrique, María Francisca Perera, Santiago Ostengo, Josefina Racedo, Diego Costilla, Silvia Zossi, María Inés Cuenya, María Paula Filippone, Björn Welin, Atilio Pedro Castagnaro*

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John Moises G. Relles, Rimmon T. Armones, and Antonio C. Laurena*

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John Moises G. Relles, and Antonio C. Laurena*

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Elaine Cristina Alexandre, Leonardo Cardoso Alves, Renato Vicentini, Monalisa Sampaio Carneiro**

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*Samantha Cenci Jaronski Dos Santos, Lucimeris Ruaro, Tales Romano, Joao Carlos Bespalhok F**

MP6 **Improvement of sugarcane for stress environments in South Africa**
*Watt DA**

MP7 **Comprehensive transcriptome analysis reveals genes in response to water deficit in the growing point of *Saccharum***
Hui Zhou, Rong-zhong Yang, Xi-hui Liu, Yang-rui Li*

MP8 **A molecular identity database of sugarcane (*Saccharum* spp.) clones constructed with microsatellite (SSR) DNA markers**
Yong-Bao Pan, James Todd, Brian E. Scheffler, Lionel Lomax, Sheron Simpson, Edwis Dufrene, Anna Hale, Michael Grisham, Herman Waguespack Sr., Atticus Finger*

BO18

HOW TO IMPROVE SELECTION DECISIONS IN THE FIRST REPLICATED YIELD TRIAL (RYT) OF SUGARCANE SELECTION PROGRAMS ?

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In the context of opportunities of revenue diversification from sugarcane, cane biomass remains the primary criteria of selection considered in variety development programs (VDPs). Measurements of cane yield (CY) is performed in replicated yield trials (RYTs) which usually start from the middle term of VDPs. Prediction of the genotypic value of candidate varieties (BLUP) for their cane yield is sought after as accurate as possible. In particular, confidence level in selection decision taken in the first RYT stage is crucial to expect for highest genetic gains for CY at the end of selection programs. Before RYTs, most of the initial genotype candidates are discarded in non-replicated stages due to insufficient performance for some traits showing good heritability. However, the first RYT can still contain a relatively large number of candidates, reaching about one to several hundred candidates (depending on programs). In some fields with a hilly topography a full replicate might involve risks of spatial heterogeneity due to possible differences in soil fertility, depth or humidity. Multidimensional regression spline methods represent a potentially attractive option to correct for potentially complex spatial heterogeneities. Such methods can be implemented in the framework of mixed linear models (REML algorithm). The study aimed to assess the potential of multidimensional regression spline (MRS) methods to improve selection decision in the first RYT stage of eRcane program. The MRS methods were applied to four variety trial series of 120 to 138 candidates. These candidates were tested for CY on 15m^2 plots in a first RYT stage in a randomized complete block design (RCBD) in two replicates. In each series, the 30 elite candidates were advanced to the second RYT stage in a RCBD in three replicates on 45m^2 plots. Compared to the conventional RCBD model, MRS methods allowed a reduction of the residual coefficient of variation of CY in the first RYT stage (0.65% to 4.36%), depending on series considered. Correlation between the first and second RYT stages for CY was improved (3% to 10%) when considering variety BLUPs inferred in the first RYT from MRS data modeling. The set of the highest 30 candidates for CY in the first RYT stage differed from 2 to 10 genotypes when comparing BLUPs inferred from RCBD and MRS models. These four case studies illustrate opportunities of improved trial precision and selection decision provided by data modelling of CY using MRS approaches.

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