ROSE BREEDING TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

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Two Creative Rose Breeders





Robert Basye 2000 Ralph Moore 2009

Late 1930s

Robert Basye TAMU mathematician Rose breeding as hobby Brazos Valley in Texas Emphasis on disease resistance







Carefree Roses

"Develop the bush on which to hang those wonderful flowers"

Established Basye Endowed Chair in Rose Genetics in 1991

Created Amphidiploids



Sterile diploid hybrid



Doubled the Chromosome Number







Basye's Purple Belinda's Dream Basye's Blueberry Basye's Legacy Basye's Myrrh Scented







Late 1930s

Ralph Moore Sequoia Nursery, 1937 Breeder and nurseryman San Joaquin Valley in California Unique plant and flowering traits



Sequoia Nursery Met in 1991







October

2007 Donation

Education Research Sustainability

Roses by Ralph Moore Father of the Miniature Rose



Miniature Roses



Joycie Rennie Little Buckaroo Ring of Fire Rise N Shine

















Stars N Stripes Earthquake Charlie Brown Love and Peace Twister Striped Rugosa



Halo Roses





Halo Sunrise Halo Fire Halo Star



Hulthemia Hybrids



Persian Flame Persian Light Persian Peach Persian Sunset Persian Yellow





Moss Roses



Fairy Moss Goldmoss Kara Dresden Doll





Crested Roses





Crested Jewell Crested Sweetheart Queencrest Robin Red Crest

Bracteata Hybrids



Rugosa Hybrids



Linda Campbell Topaz Jewell Moore's Striped Rugosa

Species Used

Moore **Hulthemia** persica Rosa wichurana **Rosa bracteata** Rosa soulieana Rosa rugosa Rosa nutkana **Rosa chinensis European species**

Basye Rosa wichurana Rosa bracteata Rosa roxburghii Rosa rugosa Rosa moschata **Rosa chinensis** Rosa carolina Rosa virginiana **European species**

Overall Goal

Well Adapted Landscape Roses Disease Resistant Heat Tolerant **High Number of Flowers Horticultural Traits**

Importance of Rose Traits

5= most important, 4= very important, 3= important, 2= not very important, 1= not important at all



Rose Hybridizer Association and Texas A&M University online survey. 1,439 responses. October 15 - December 12, 2012.

Rose Diseases

(Photos courtesy of Mark Windham and David Byrne)













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Healthy Compact Floriferous No Prickles











Black spot

Disease resistance Black spot resistance Race specific Partial resistance





Partial Resistance to Black Spot Resistance Genes Limit Growth of Fungus

Acervuli



Lesion Length

Field Evaluation of Rose Seedlings







Rose Variety Evaluation

















Greenhouse Evaluation Culturing the fungus



Rose Rosette Disease





Viral disease Mite transmitted Epidemic in midwest to eastern USA Little is known about management or resistance (Photos courtesy of Mark Windham)

Three Players in Disease Development

Pathogen: Virus

Vector: Mite



Rose Rosette Virus



Phyllocoptes fructiphilus

Reservoir: Wild rose



Rosa multiflora

Rose Rosette Research Plots Three year trials



Tennessee Mark Windham

Delaware Tom Evans

Also field trials in Oklahoma with Jen Olson Texas with Kevin Ong and Maddi Shires

Photos courtesy of Mark Windham, University of Tennessee and Tom Evans, University of Delaware

RRD Augmentation





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RRD Augmentation



RRD symptoms after 3 months on very susceptible rose





Can take 2 years for symptoms to appear

Photos courtesy of Tom Evans, University of Delaware
Trial Data Augmented and Natural Infection

Rose accessions	Susceptible	No- Mild symptoms Virus	No symptoms No virus
1207	1,168	22	17
	96.7 %	1.8%	1.4%

Data from Oklahoma (Jen Olson), Tennessee (Mark Windham, Alan Windham), Texas (Kevin Ong, Maddi Shires) Delaware (Tom Evans)

Heat Tolerance

Heat affects

- Plant growth
- Flower production/abortion/
- Flower size and color
- Petal size and number













Summer Flowering of Roses





Flower intensity: 0 = no flowers, 3 = 30% plant covered with flowers, 6 = 60% plant covered with flowers, 9 = 90% covered with flowers

Flower Intensity



3-4





Plant Architecture









Breeding of Garden Roses

- * Diploid breeding program
 - ***** Species introgression
 - * Rosa wichuraiana resistance to black spot and heat tolerant
 - * Rosa palustris and setigera resistance to RRD
- * Tetraploid breeding program
- Combine Basye/TAMU, Moore germplasm, other roses
- Major emphasis on genetics and marker assisted breeding



BETTER PHENOTYPING TOOLS

Fieldbook App Digital Image Analysis

Same variety cycles differentlyMayJuneJuly













Weekly Pictures

April





















May

June

July





Data Analysis Workflow - Yeyin Shi

Green – Red Channel

Otsu's Segmentation



Flower segmentation not based on color

Hue and Value Channels Otsu's Segmentation

Correlation between Flower Coverage as estimated by digital imagery and flower intensity ratings



Correlation between % Green Leaves as estimated by digital imagery and Defoliation ratings



Next step..drones?





- Time: 15 minutes
- Expense
 - Drone with camera
 - Inexpensive, \$2-5K
- Challenges
 - Analysis
 - Regulations
 - License to fly
 - Permission to fly
 - Ground rig may be easier

April 6th to June 8th 2017





MOLECULAR MARKERS IN ROS BREEDING AND GENETICS





Breeding of Commercial Roses First Generation

Breeding Cycle Commercial Trial

> Multiple Sites

Breeding with Species First Generation

Conversion from Once Blooming to Everblooming

Breeding Cycle Commercial Trial

> Multiple Sites

Time Needed Commercial Trial Endpoint

Generation	Cultivated	Generation	Resistant species
First	7	Conversion First	11
Second	11	Second	15
Third	15	Third	19
Fourth	19	Fourth	23

Two year greenhouse phase: produce, germinate, select seedlings Two year seedling adaptation evaluation in field Three year multiple site commercial evaluation

How Do We Make it Quicker?

DNA informed breeding Marker assisted breeding

Accelerate Breeding Progress MAB (Marker Assisted Breeding)

- Reduce breeding cycle time by 50%
 Eliminate field screening
 All initial RRD resistance screening done in
 - greenhouse
- Reduce seedlings that need to go to field
- Improve parental selection
 Knowledge of resistance genes

Seedlings : 15 year program

	Traditional	MAB	
Greenhouse	21,000	31,000	148%
Field	11,105	1,561	14%

If same field work – could screen 220,000 seedlings

DNA-informed breeding What do we need?

Plentiful molecular markers
 Consensus map with these markers

Genotyping by Sequencing SNP markers



2. Digest DNA with RE

Methylation sensitive REs (Fsel, NgoMIV and Nhel) cut gene rich region and filter out repetitive genomic fraction

3. Ligate barcoded adapters



LGs	Marker statistics	J14-3 x LC	J14-3 x VS	OB x RF	ICD
LG1	Total	189	161	103	348
	Bin no.	38	39	48	93
LG2	Total	271	297	369	753
	Bin r no.	60	81	76	161
LG3	Total	196	123	84	340
	Bin no.	49	43	31	91
LG4	Total	199	224	221	520
	Bin no.	40	49	61	120
LG5	Total	275	226	303	564
	Bin no.	50	56	64	121
LG6	Total	220	140	225	472
	Bin no.	45	39	61	109
LG7	Total	231	263	246	530
	Bin no.	54	62	45	125
Overal l	Total	1581	1434	1551	3527
	Bin no.	336	369	386	820

* In the order of J14-3xLC : J14-3xVS : OBxRF



Phenotyping

• Measure the strength of resistance a rose has to the disease organism



Genotyping

 Genotyping by sequencing approach to produce thousands of tags of genetics tags/markers on rose chromosomes



QTL Analysis

• Phenotype and marker data are combined in a database for identification of quantitative trait loci using Pedimap and FlexQTL software

Markers for disease resistance, plant architecture, heat tolerance etc.

Accelerate Breeding Progress

Facilitate selection and parental selection
 Adaptation

- Black spot resistance
- Cercospora resistance
- Rose rosette resistance
- Heat tolerance
- Floral and plant traits
 - Flower type/color
 - Fragrance
 - Flower yield
 - Plant architecture



Diploid rose population: inter-related families



Black spot resistance QTL analysis: a large-effect on LG3



Mean values for three probable QTL genotypes at signal peak 41cM among all mapping materials



Probable QTL genotypes at LG3 41cM

Commercial roses are diploid, triploid and tetraploid

Diploid 2x = 14









Triploid roses produce 1n, <u>2n</u> and 3n pollen grains

Tools for Polyploid Group San Diego Botanical Garden January 11-12, 2018



Accelerate the breeding of polyploid crops



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HortTREC Research Field

Pecan Orchard



Pasture

HT3 and HT4 Diploid population - Breeding blocks

- Star Roses hybrids
 Rosa palustris
 Rosa blanda
 Rosa palustris, Amrine
 Breeding plots elimination
- Peach plots

- HT3 and HT4
 - Diploid population
 - Planted, 2 plots
 - Overton, Tennessee
 - Parents
 - TAMU, M4-4, 7-20, 7-30, J06-14-20-3
 - Srdce Europy, Papa Hemeray
 - Ole x palustris
 - Setigera x Ole

HT5 Cultivar Evalution Advanced Selections
HT6 Species Collection Diploid population

Rows 1-4
 Rosa species
 Rootstocks
 Interspecific hybrids

■ A12/D14 population

- Parents
 - □ J06-14-20-3, M4-4
 - Sweet Chariot, Vineyard
 Song, Red Fairy, Little Chief
 - Old Blush
- Current data
 - GBS
 - Traits
 - Black spot, cercospora
 - Architectural traits
 - Flower, size, petal number

HT7 Breeding Plots Tetraploid population

Breeding plots parents Brite Eyes Above and Beyond Lafter Honey Perfume Stormy Weather

- Tetraploid population
 - Planted
 - College Station, Overton
 - Tennessee
 - Parents
 - Brite Eyes
 - My Girl
 - Stormy Weather
 - Data
 - SNP array
 - Disease, horticultural

HT8

Breeding Plots - Eliminating Diploid Collection Miscellaneous Roses

Breeding Plots
 Hybrids with

 Basye's Purple
 R. palustris EB ARE
 R. palustris OB ARE

- Diploid Collection
 - Planted
 - College Station, Overton
 - Oklahoma
 - Tennessee
 - Data
 - Disease resistance
 - Architectural traits
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