

# Anticipatory Breeding for Phytophthora Blight Resistance in Chile Pepper

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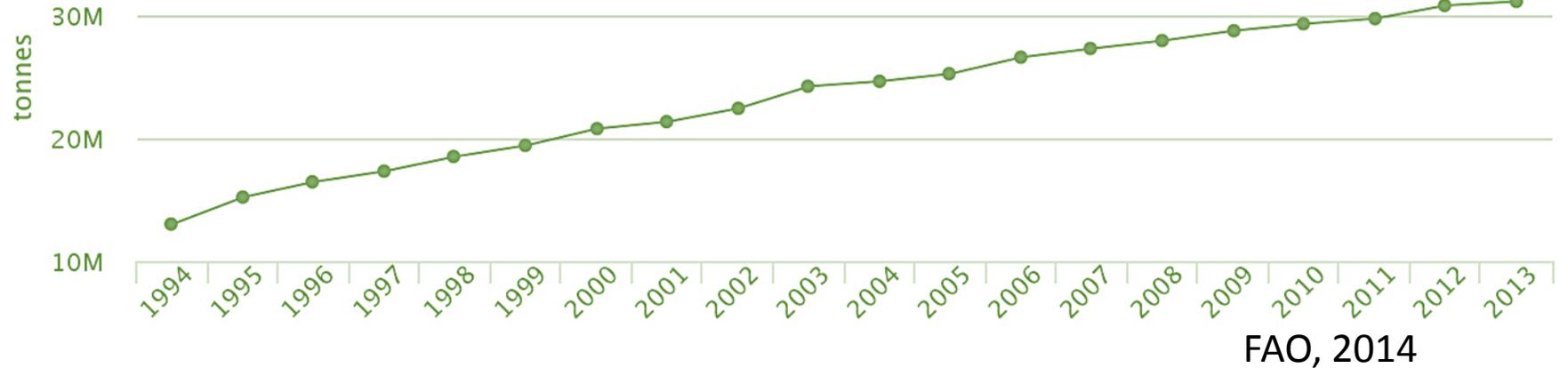
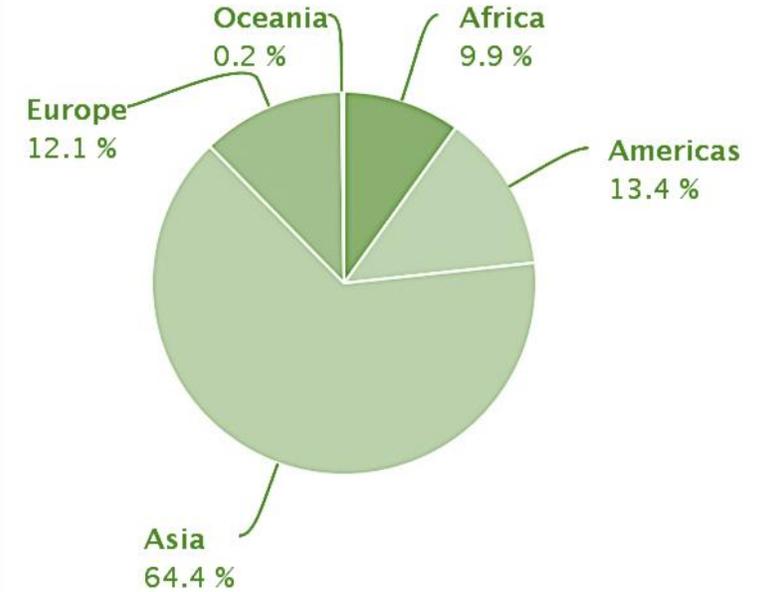
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# Chile pepper background

- Grown and consumed around the world
  - Prized for capsaicinoid content
- Economically important for smallholder farmers
- Significant source of important nutrients
  - Vitamin C
  - Vitamin A



# *Phytophthora capsici* background

- ✦ One of the most devastating pathogens
  - ✦ ≈\$100 million in losses annually
- ✦ Management strategies
  - ✦ Irrigation management
  - ✦ Crop rotation
  - ✦ Soil solarization
  - ✦ Fungicide applications
  - ✦ Resistant cultivars



# Resistant cultivars

- ✦ Multiple disease syndromes
  - ✦ Root rot
  - ✦ Stem blight
  - ✦ Foliar blight
  - ✦ Fruit rot
- ✦ Multiple physiological races
  - ✦ Coevolution
    - ✦ Gene-for-gene
  - ✦ A1 and A2 mating types
  - ✦ Mutation



# Anticipatory breeding

- ✍ Described by McIntosh (1992) and McIntosh and Brown (1997)
- ✍ Technique of breeding for resistance to virulent pathogen races before they become prevalent and cause significant losses.
- ✍ Requirements
  - ✍ Knowledge of pathogen epidemiology
  - ➡ ✍ Regular pathogen surveys aimed at detecting new races that have the potential to overcome current *R* genes
  - ✍ Knowledge of primary *R* genes in current cultivars
  - ✍ Well-coordinated system of screening, for identifying sources of resistance.

# Race detection

## ✍ Host differential

- ✍ Comprised of lines or cultivars of a host that have one or more resistance genes to a pathogen.
- ✍ McIntosh used wheat cultivars, but this cannot be done in chile pepper

## ✍ Recombinant inbred lines (RIL)

### ✍ Advantages

- ✍ Combining maximum genetic variability within the population with homozygous genotypes
- ✍ Can be replicated permanently without risk of segregation

### ✍ Disadvantages

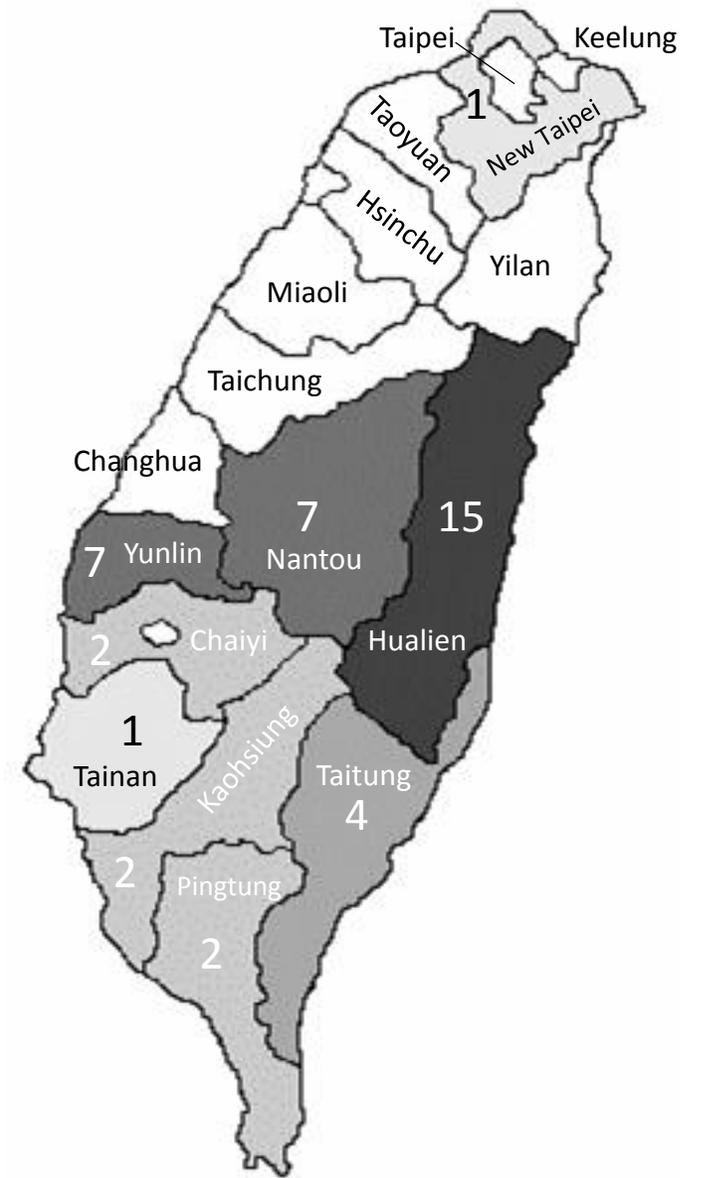
- ✍ Expensive
- ✍ Time consuming to develop
- ✍ Parental selection can be difficult

# Justification

	Oelke et al. (2003)	Sy et al. (2008)	Glosier et al. (2008)	Lee et al. (2010)	The World Vegetable Center
Race	Origin				
<b>1</b>	USA-NM	USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	Taiwan
<b>2</b>	Turkey	USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	Taiwan
<b>3</b>	Turkey	Netherlands	USA-NC	Korea	Taiwan
<b>4</b>	USA-NM	USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	
<b>5</b>	Italy	USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	
<b>6</b>	USA-NJ	USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	
<b>7</b>	USA-NJ	USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	
<b>8</b>	Korea	USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	
<b>9</b>	USA-NJ	USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	
<b>10</b>		USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	
<b>11</b>		USA-NM	USA-CA	Korea	
<b>12</b>		USA-NM	USA-CA		
<b>13</b>		USA-CA	USA-CA		

# Materials and Methods

- 38 *P. capsici* isolates were collected in 2016
  - South and central Taiwan
- Host Differential
  - 18 New Mexico Recombinant Inbred Lines (NMRILs)
    - F<sub>8</sub> lines derived from 'Early Jalapeno' x CM-334



## Standardized 10 point scale for scoring disease severity.



- 10,000 zoospores•plant<sup>-1</sup>
- Plants were scored after ≈2 weeks
- Only those with average scores of ≤1 were resistant

Photograph taken by Yan Ji Teoh



# Subset Host Differentials

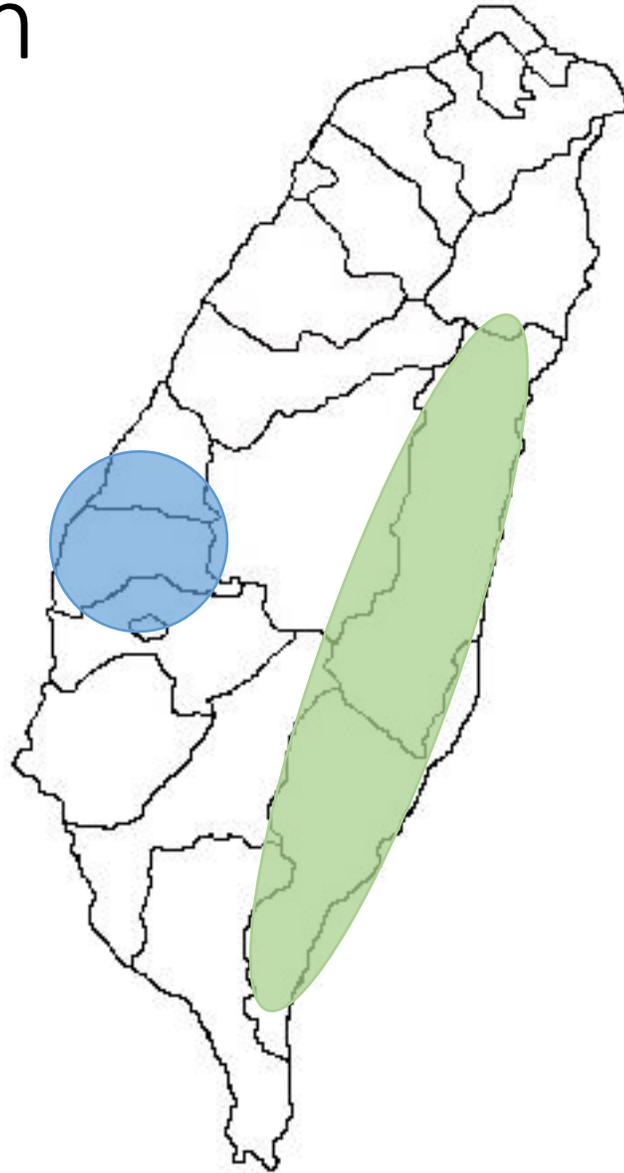
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NMRIL-F	R	S	R	S	S	S	R	R	S	S	R	R	R	R	R	R	S	S	R	S	S	S	R	R	R	R	R
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NMRIL-I	S	S	S	S	S	R	S	R	S	S	S	R	S	S	S	R	R	R	R	S	R	R	R	S	R	R	R
NMRIL-G	S	S	S	S	R	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	R	R	S	S	S	R	R	S	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
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# Unweighted Pair Group Method with Arithmetic Mean Analysis (UPGMA)

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NMRIL-S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	R	S	S	R	S	R	R	R	S	R	S

# Cluster Distribution

Cluster 1 was primarily in Yunlin county on the west coast



Cluster 2 was primarily on the east coast in Hualien and Taitung counties



# Conclusions

- ✦ Race characterization
  - ✦ 27 races on the island
  - ✦ Taiwan subset =  $2^{10} = 1,024$  races
  - ✦ Practicality for local breeding
    - ✦ Two major clusters
      - ✦ Virulence varied by coast
    - ✦ Implications for anticipatory breeding
      - ✦ Gene deployment



# Outlook

- ✔ Universal race characterization system is possible
  - ✔ Implementation in other countries
    - ✔ Indonesia
    - ✔ India
  - ✔ Preliminary tests are required to determine which NMRILs will work



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