

Genetic Resources of the Sunflower Crop Wild Relatives for Resistance to Sunflower Broomrape

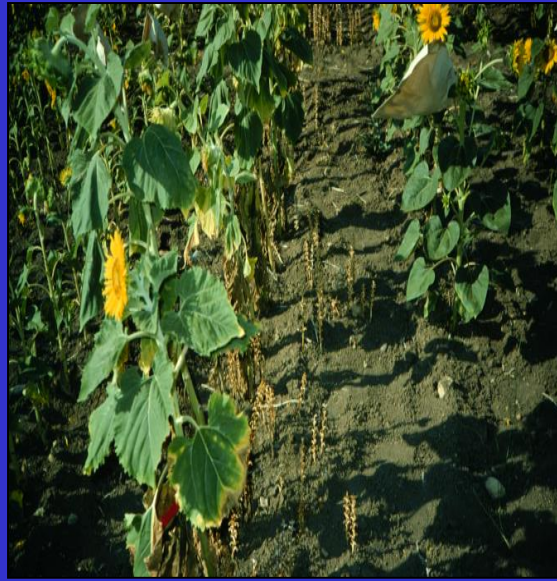
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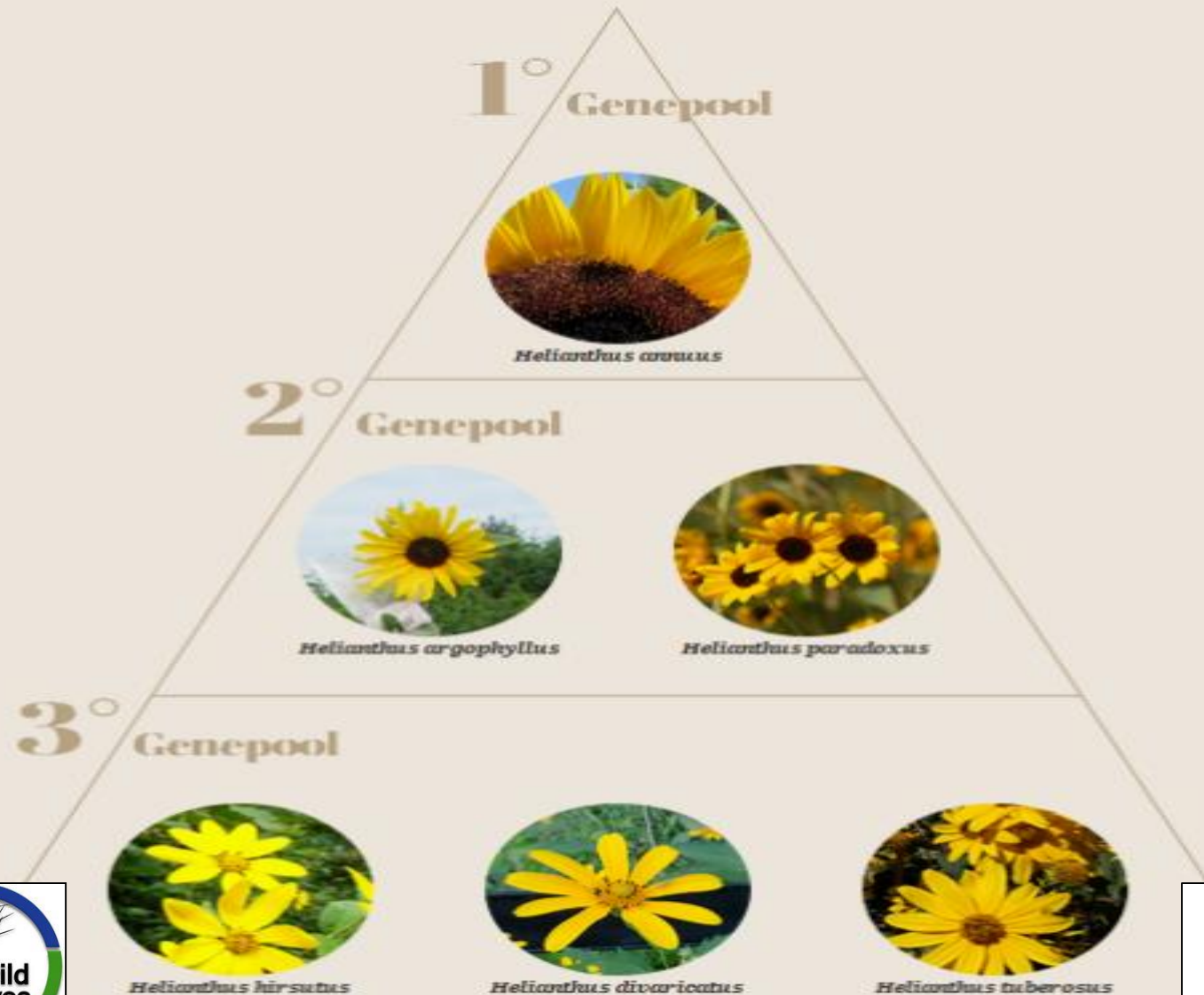


Outline

- **Genetic diversity of wild species**
- **Broomrape resistance sources**
- **Future prospective**



Sunflower Genepools



Sunflower Crop Wild Relatives

Cultivated ($2n=2x=34$)

14 annuals ($2x=34$)

39 perennials

29 wild diploids ($2x=34$)

4 wild tetraploids ($4x=68$)

6 wild hexaploids ($6x=102$)

2 Mixaploid perennials ($2n=2x=34, 4x=68$)

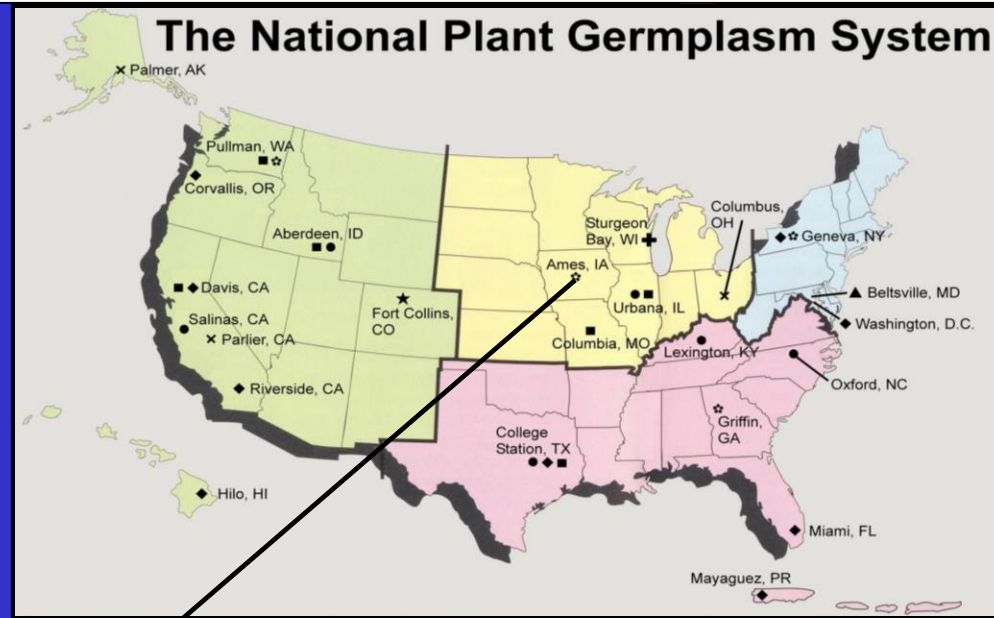
2 Mixaploid perennials ($2n=4x=68, 6x=102$)

- All wild species can be hybridized with cultivated sunflower except *H. agrestis*
- F_1 abortion (embryo rescue)
- F_1 sterility (colchicine treatment)





USDA, ARS, North Central Regional Plant Introduction Station and Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa



USDA-ARS Plant Introduction Station



Laura Marek, Curator



Seed increase, Ames, IA

Accessions in the USDA-ARS Sunflower Collections



H. debilis, Florida



H. pumilus, Colorado



H. niveus, California

Type	Number	Available %
Cultivated	1886	92
Wild species	2201	87
Annual	1359	95
Perennial	842	70
Total	4087	88



Germplasm Requests

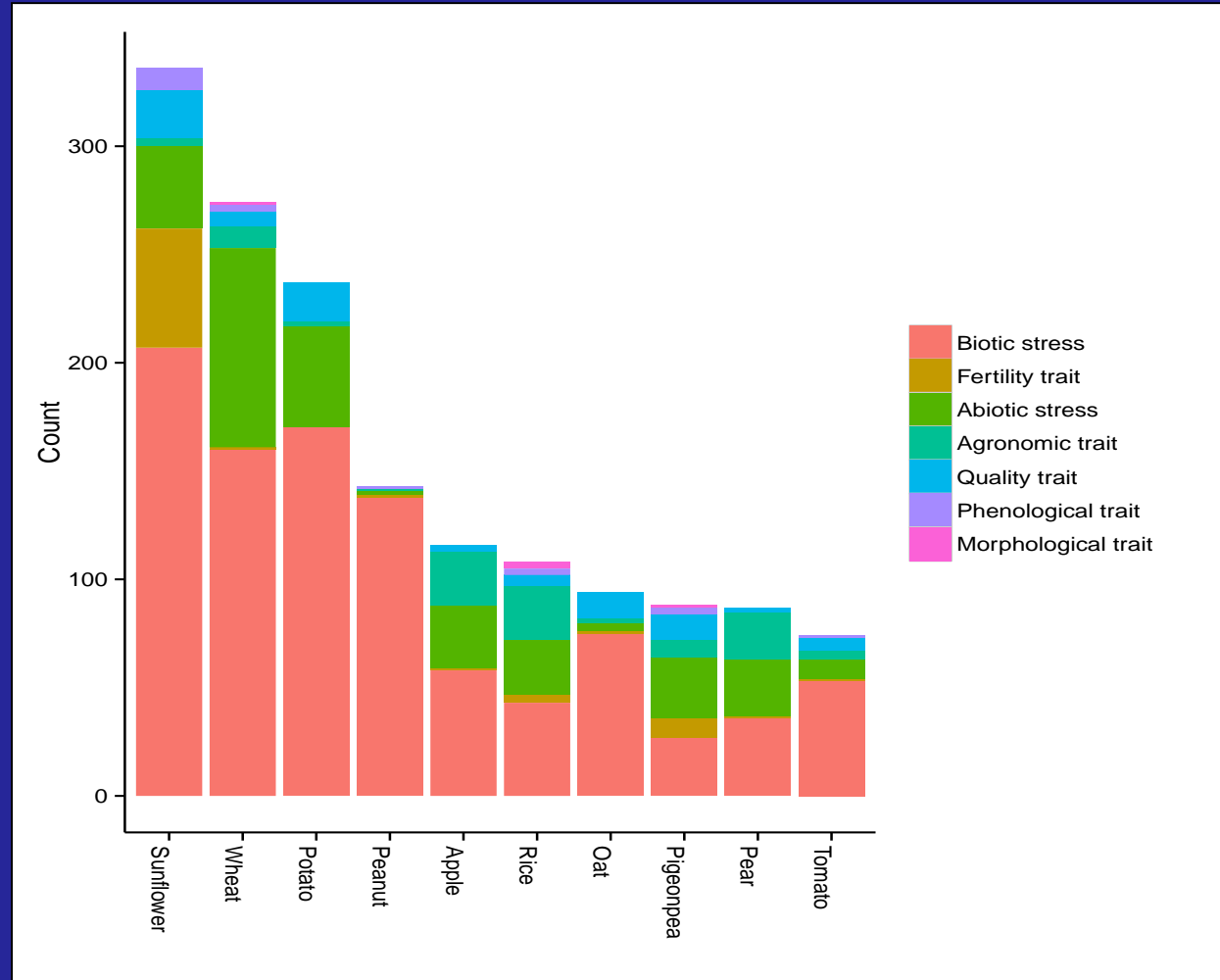
- Website to view and order seeds

<https://npgsweb.ars-grin.gov/gringlobal/search.aspx?>

- Phytosanitary certificates are required depending on country
- *Import permit requirements depending on country

Wild sunflowers widely used in breeding

Literature reports of use of crop wild relatives in breeding



Wild *Helianthus* sources of resistance for diseases

Disease	Wild species		Total
	Annual	Perennial	
Rust	3	5	8
Downy mildew	10	15	25
Sclerotinia	7	18	25
Phomopsis	7	18	25
Alternaria	3	9	12
Powdery mildew	3	9	12
Rhizopus	0	4	4
Phoma	2	8	10
Charcoal rot	0	5	5
Broomrape	8	29	37
Verticillium	4	3	7


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Broomrape Resistance

Helianthus species constitute a substantial reservoir of genes conferring resistance to existing and new broomrape virulence races

(Fernández-Martínez et al., 2000, 2010, 2012; Nikolova et al., 2000; Bervillé, 2002; Škorić 2010; Terzic et al., 2010; Antonova et al., 2011; Škorić and Pacureanu-Joita, 2011; Christov, 2013; Jan et al., 2014; Seiler and Jan, 2014; Seiler et al., 2017)

Wild annual species



Species	Race(s)
<i>annuus</i>	E
<i>anomalus</i>	E-F
<i>argophyllus</i>	E-H
<i>debilis</i> ssp. <i>tardiflorus</i>	G
<i>debilis</i> ssp. <i>debilis</i>	E
<i>deserticola</i>	E-F
<i>exilis</i>	E-F
<i>petiolaris</i>	A-H
<i>praecox</i>	A-G

BROOMRAPE

☐ Races A-E (Or_1 - Or_5)

☐ Species Introduction Germplasm

☐ *H. anomalus* PI 468644 ANO-1509-2

☐ *H. deserticola* PI 468701 DES-1474-1



H. anomalus, Utah



H. anomalus, Utah



H. deserticola, Utah



BROOMRAPE

☐ Race G

☐ Species _____ Source _____

☐ *H. debilis* subsp. *tardiflorus* PI 468691



H. debilis ssp. *tardiflorus*, Florida



H. annuus, South Dakota



1980



2006

H. argophyllus, Daytona Beach, Florida



H. petiolaris, North Dakota



H. petiolaris ssp. *fallax*, New Mexico



***H. exilis*, Napa, California**


Broomrape (Races E-F)

29 species of **perennial** sunflower have resistance

Only *H. nuttallii* had 33% incidence



Wild perennial species



Species	Race(s)
<i>divaricatus</i>	F-G
<i>eggertii</i>	F-G
<i>grosseserratus</i>	F
<i>hirsutus</i>	F
<i>maximiliani</i>	E-F
<i>nuttallii</i>	E-F
<i>pauciflorus</i>	E-F
<i>resinosus</i>	E-F
<i>smithii</i>	F-G
<i>tuberosus</i>	F-G



H. nuttallii ssp. *rydbergii*, Canada



H. tuberosus, Indiana



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☐ Race F

☐ Species Introduction Germplasm

☐ *H. grosseserratus* PI 617026 BR1

☐ *H. maximiliani* PI 617027 BR2

☐ *H. divaricatus* PI 617028 BR3

☐ *H. divaricatus* PI 617029 BR4



H. grosseserratus, Iowa



***H. pauciflorus (rigidus)*, North Dakota**



H. maximiliani, Manitoba, Canada



***H. maximiliani*, North Dakota**



H. resinosus, Georgia



***H. smithii*, North Carolina**



H. divaricatus, Indiana



***H. salicifolius*, Kansas**

C.C. Jan's Bulk Population Germplasm Releases Based on Perennial Species

Name	Germplasm	Species
SFB-CAL	Population	<i>H. californicus</i>
SFB-DIV	Population	<i>H. divaricatus</i>
SFB-DIV/GRO	Population	<i>H. divaricatus / grosseserratus</i>
SFB-GIG	Population	<i>H. giganteus</i>
SFB-GRO1	Population	<i>H. grosseserratus</i>
SFB-GRO2	Population	<i>H. grosseserratus</i>
SFB-HIR	Population	<i>H. hirsutus</i>
SFB-NUT1	Population	<i>H. nuttallii</i>
SFB-NUT2	Population	<i>H. nuttallii</i>
SFB-MAX1	Population	<i>H. maximiliani</i>
SFB-MAX2	Population	<i>H. maximiliani</i>
SFB-MAX3	Population	<i>H. maximiliani</i>
SFB-OCC	Population	<i>H. occidentalis</i>
SFB-SAL	Population	<i>H. salicifolius</i>
SFB-STR	Population	<i>H. strumosus</i>

What's ahead in the future??



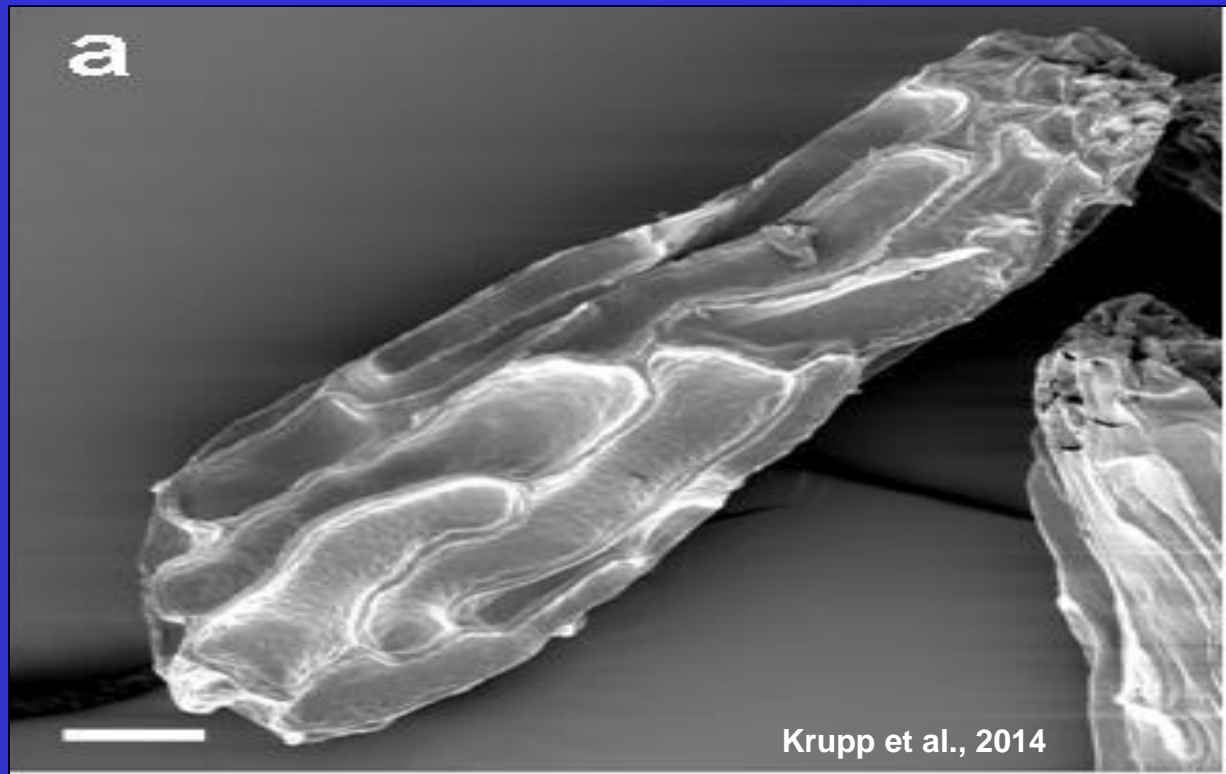


Fig. 1. Scanning electron micrographs showing the typical forms of dry seeds of *O. cumana*; Scale bar, 50 μm .

Seed=39.320 X 10⁻⁶ inches; 1000 seed weight =0.0029g

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Future Perspective

- **Genetics resources are available, but will require some effort to use**
- **Opportunity to move exotic genes with more precision and efficiency**
- **Additional molecular tools are becoming available to mine the genetic diversity**
- **Need a good breeding strategy for control requiring global cooperation**



Thank you

Questions?