

ANNUAL REPORT

Calendar Year 2007

1. NRSP-6: UNITED STATES POTATO GENE BANK

Introduction, Classification, Preservation, Evaluation and Distribution of tuber-bearing *Solanum* Species.

2. COOPERATIVE AGENCIES AND PRINCIPAL LEADERS

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3. PROGRESS AND PRINCIPAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A. Introduction of New Stocks

John Bamberg and Alfonso del Rio (US Potato Genebank) had a successful collecting expedition to the Guadalupe Mountain National Park (GMNP) in west Texas in late September of 2007 (supported with extramural funding from USDA). They collected four new populations. These were the first *S. stoloniferum* germplasm from Culberson County, TX and first potato collections from Eddy County, NM.

A total of 5 accessions were assigned PI numbers in 2007: one primitive cultivar from Peru and 4 accessions collected from the SW United States. These accessions are now available from the NRSP-6 *Solanum* germplasm collection.

The NRSP-6 web page (<http://www.ars-grin.gov/nr6>) has been updated to include all new stocks and screening information. Clients who have ordered from NRSP-6 in the past four years are contacted three times per year informing them of new materials that are now available either as true seed, tubers, in vitro plantlets, or herbarium samples. A new service we are offering is dried ground leaf samples for DNA testing. For foreign requesters this is useful since there are no quarantine restrictions on dried tissue.

B. Preservation and Increase of Stocks

In 2007, a total of 155 accessions were increased as botanical seed populations.

A total of 672 potato spindle tuber viroid (PSTVd) tests were performed on seed increase parents, seedlots and research materials. Germination tests were performed on 1120 accessions, ploidy determinations were made on 35 accessions, and tetrazolium seed viability tests were done on 55 seedlots.

Progress was made on several international collaborative projects.

We are working with CIP on a project to assess the impact of agrichemicals on pollen and seed viability of wild species (oral presentation at the PAA07). Agrichemicals depress reproduction and diversity of wild potato germplasm, suggesting remote populations should be targeted for future collecting by genebanks.

John Bamberg visited Peru in May 2007 to harvest calcium and frost plots. A low cost source of calcium applied to research plots located in the highlands of Peru resulted in an increase yield of 60% for some clones. Work is now being planned to identify genetics of stocks that respond well to added calcium.

Frost is a major problem for the highland farmers in Peru, with major devastating episodes in the past two years. We supplied selected frost resistant germplasm for testing, and continue to synthesize hybrids of native cultivars with highly frost resistant wild species for tests in Peru.

We initiated quarantine seed increase of seed rescued from the VIR collection to incorporate into the US Potato Genebank. We are also planning an intergenebank cooperative project to evaluate

primitive cultivated species *andigena* for hidden recessive traits and incorporate word holdings data into the global germplasm database (IPD).

Hypertension in humans and black spot bruise in potatoes are both problems for which increased tuber potassium could have a positive influence. Potassium screening of the minicore collection funded by the Crop Germplasm Committee (CGC) grant has shown great species variation which could lead to a selection of high-K varieties that lower blood pressure and reduce black spot bruise.

We continued screening for antioxidants in uncolored wild potato species tubers of *S. okadae* hybrids with USDA cooperator Dr. Navarre. We have extended this work to discovery of high antiox species more crossable to *tuberosum*, and synthesis of diploid segregating populations.

We discovered a new floral development mutant in *S. microdontum* which we have named *crazy sepal* (cs1) because it grows multiple (indeterminate) sets of sepals instead of anthers and pistils. This is a potential tool for studying floral development and cost of flowering on tuber yield. It would prevent transgene escape from GMO potato. We have made crosses with diploid *tuberosum* to investigate these opportunities and made the mutant available to other workers (Short Communication in AJPR).

Plant parts are known to vary widely for pH, but little is known about the variation, basis, or utility of pH extremes in potato tubers. When pH was measured on species of the mini-core collection, replicates over years and populations gave consistent results, with pH range of (5.0-6.2). Fine screening has now discovered very acidic species more amenable to crossing with *tuberosum*, and we have produced F2 segregating populations. This opens the door to studies linking acidity to a wide range of tuber parameters like processing quality, skin color retention, disease resistance, calcium content, glycemic index and acrylamide formation.

Solanum microdontum is remarkably extreme and variable for several characteristics (acid, potassium, calcium, late blight and antioxidants). We continued to perform replicated characterization of *S. microdontum* for these traits. We also collected DNA to compare variation for useful phenotypic traits to gross genetic variation.

C. Classification

Dr. Spooner et al. have published and are working on five different areas of potato research: 1) molecular markers for genebank studies, 2) cultivated potato origins, 3) relationships in wild tomatoes and potatoes, 4) the predictive power of taxonomy relative to disease resistance data, and 5) a linkage map showing late blight in wild potatoes.

D. Distribution

The volume and types of stocks sent to various consignee categories are summarized in the table below. NRSP-6 distributed to clients in 24 states of the USA and 8 other countries.

| Category | Units of Germplasm Sent ¹ | | | | | | | Total | PIs |
|----------|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-------|-------|
| | S | TF | TC | IVS | DNA | PL | HER | | |
| Domestic | 3,892 | 283 | 624 | 603 | 364 | 0 | 11 | 5,777 | 3,654 |
| Foreign | 1,168 | 0 | 25 | 343 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,536 | 402 |
| Total | 5,060 | 283 | 649 | 946 | 364 | 0 | 11 | 7,313 | 4,056 |

| Units of Germplasm used in house ² | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------|---|----|-----|---|---|---|-------|-------|
| NRSP-6 | 7,233 | 0 | 74 | 215 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7,522 | 1,586 |

¹ Types of stocks sent/(number of seeds, tubers or plantlets per standard shipping unit): S= True Seeds/(50), TF= Tuber Families/(10), TC=Tuber Clones/(3), IVS=In Vitro Stocks/(1), DNA=DNA samples/(1), PL=Plants in plugs/(1), Her= Herbarium/(1).

² Includes chromosome counts, germination tests, ID and Taxonomic check plantings, in vitro maintenance, seed increases, PSTV tests, miscellaneous plantings, and NSSL seed backup.

4. IMPACT STATEMENT

Potato is the number one vegetable crop and ranks number four among world food crops. The US Potato Genebank's purpose is to provide a high quality, ready source of seed, technology and information to support potato enhancement, breeding and research in the USA and around the world.

The impact of the genebank has been strong in the past. Staff have been instrumental in developing technologies widely used in potato breeding, like cut-stem pollination, hormone pre-treatment of seeds for better germination, extraction of haploids and use with 2n gametes in breeding. The genebank imported valuable germplasm and generated, formatted and computerized a wide array of trait evaluation data and taxonomic characterization. One way the impact of these contributions can be measured is by the occurrence of NRSP-6 germplasm in the pedigrees of new, improved potato cultivars. About 70% of all potatoes grown in the United States have germplasm in their pedigrees from the genebank. Three cultivar releases were published in the American Journal of Potato Research in 2007: 'Blazer Russet', 'Dakota Crisp' and 'MegaChip'. Each is known to contain wild species.

The impact of genebank contributions is also evident in the numerous publications in 2007 that provide information that ultimately contribute to better exploitation of the germplasm resource. Section 6 lists 89 papers, 53 abstracts, 1 patent, 2 patents pending and 4 theses which report the use of NRSP-6 *Solanum* introductions this year.

The impact of the genebank is expected to increase in the future for several reasons. 1) Mutants discovered and characterized by staff will be increasingly valuable as research models. 2) Intragenic transformation of potato has now been demonstrated and identified as a kind of GMO much more accepted by the consumer, so useful exotic potato genes will be increasingly valuable as the technology to easily insert them into existing cultivars improves. 3) Potato is rapidly expanding in large new growing regions, so the need for genetic resources for breeding in new environments and for new tastes will surge. 4) The collection and organization of data at the genebank for an ever-

increasing array of traits (e.g., nutritional) is expected to become more and more critical for breeding efficiency.

5. WORK PLANNED FOR 2008

Fast and accurate delivery of high quality germplasm and information will continue to be the general objective of NRSP-6. We also aim to raise awareness of the germplasm resource through an advertising/outreach program, and by conducting and publishing research that demonstrates new ways the germplasm can be useful for potato improvement. It will be a goal to perform 100 additional successful seed increases in the upcoming year, for a total of 250.

Evaluation experiments will continue on *Solanum* species for these and other traits: antioxidants, tuber acidity, apomixis, crazy sepal mutant, tuber potassium, frost hardiness, tuber calcium, hormone mutants and anti-cancer compounds.

APIC Intergenebank projects, such as researching the status and dynamics of genetic diversity using DNA markers will continue to strengthen ties with sister genebanks around the world. We intend to pursue extramural funding to continue the APIC project to study effect of agrichemicals on in situ diversity. We also intend to conduct a collecting expedition for native wild potatoes in the Pinaleno mountains of SE Arizona.

6. PUBLICATIONS ISSUED DURING THE YEAR

A. Publications issued by NRSP-6 Personnel

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