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Genetic diversity and population structure of diploid potato genotypes

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Diploid potatoes (*Solanum phureja*)

S. stenotomum



SELECTION

- Without dormancy
- Early maturation
- Adaptation to higher temperatures

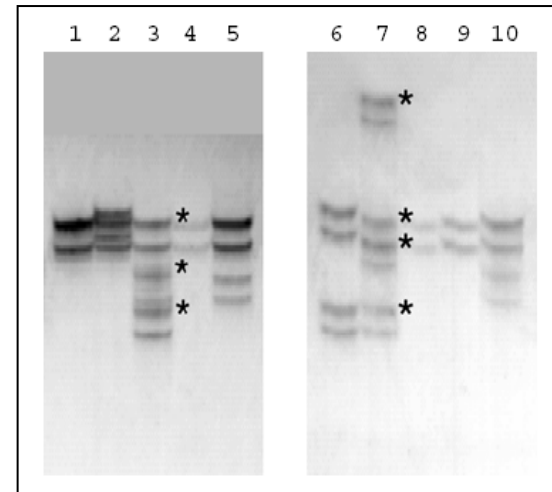
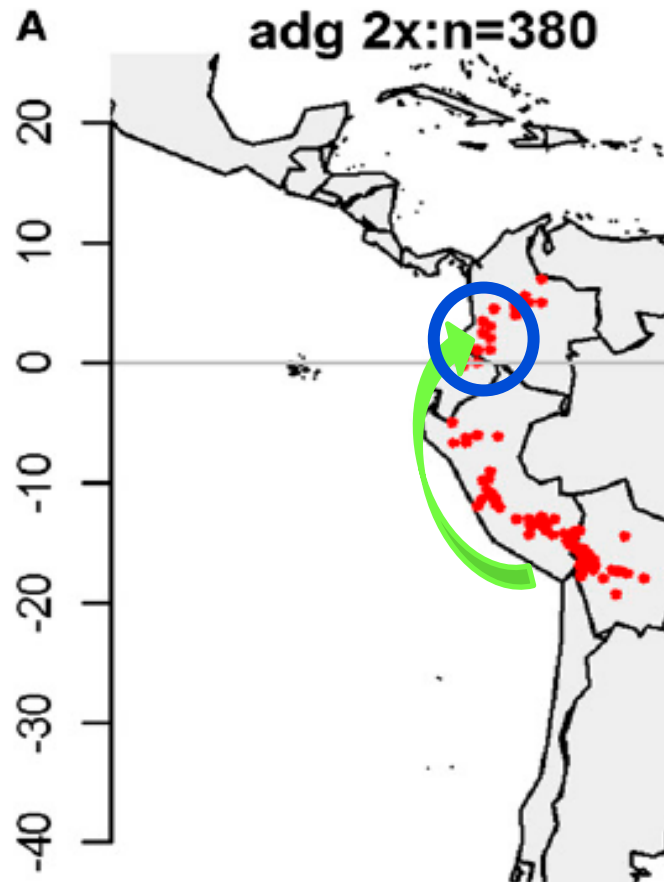
(Hawkes, 1987)

S. phureja



Photo: Rodríguez. (2009)

Distribution, migration of *S. phureja*



1. (RAPD) - Relatively homogeneous group
2. (SSR) - Differentiated level of ploidy

The Colombo-Ecuadorian mountains are a **diversity center** for this species

Ghislain *et al.*, 1999; Ghislain *et al.*, 2006; Spooner *et al.*, 2010

Potato Breeding Program of Universidad Nacional de Colombia



To improve quality tuber for storage and marketing, increasing yield and to look for resistance to pathogens and pest.

Potato Breeding Program has been working since 1995.



Photos: Rodríguez *et al.*, 2009

Variability in *S. phureja* - Colombia



Photo: Angarita 2010

- Shape of corolla, stigma and tuber color.
- Precocity.
- Industrial processing: significant differences in dry matter content, specific gravity and absorption of oils.
- Resistance to pests (*Tecia solanivora*) and diseases (*Phytophthora infestans*)

Objective

To determine the genetic diversity and population structure of diploid potato genotypes through genetic characterization with SSR markers.

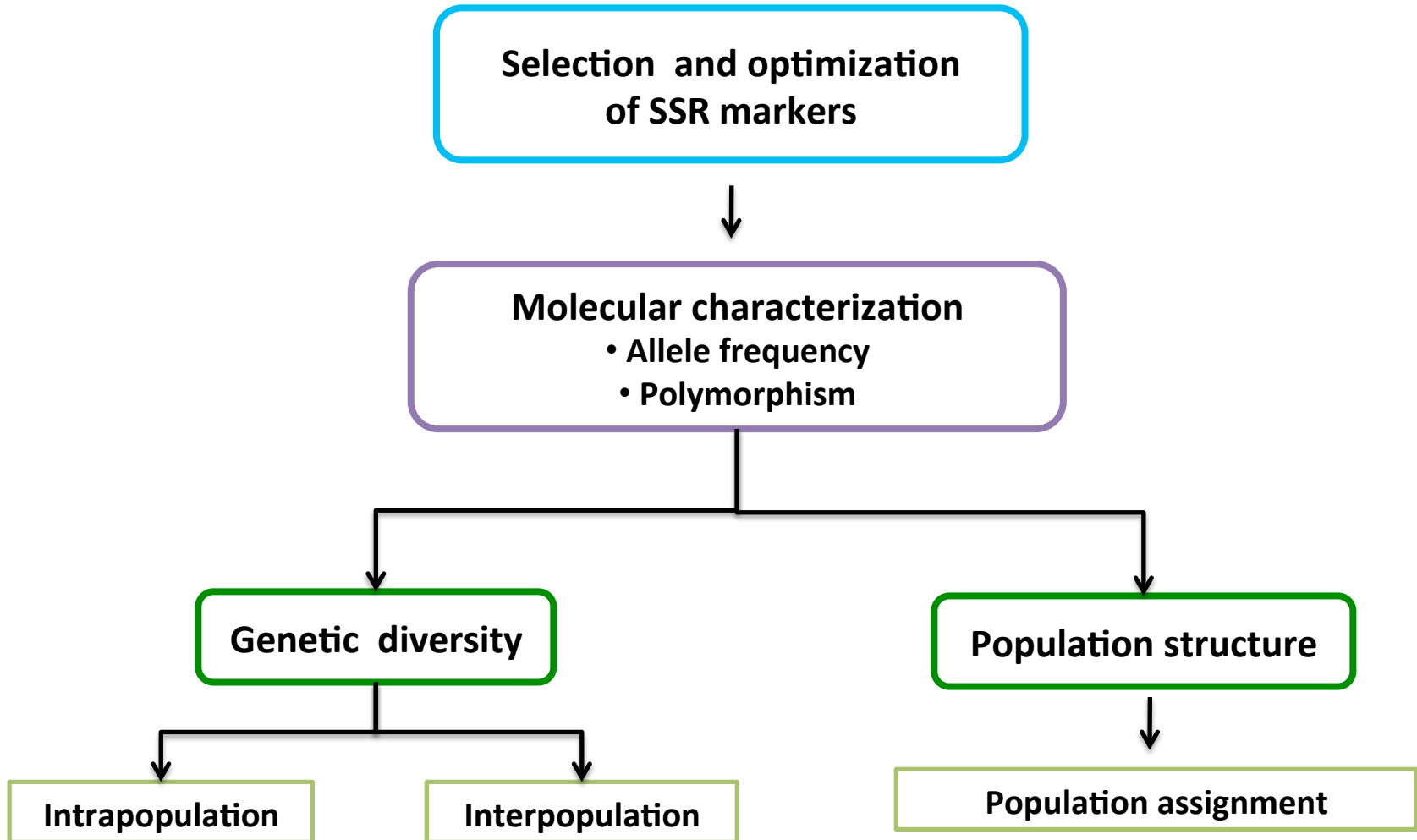
Plant material

	Populations	ID	Genotypes	Origen
Natural	Colombian Core Collection	CCC	97	Collected in different regions of Colombia
	Gatersleben Bank	IPK	13	Different countries



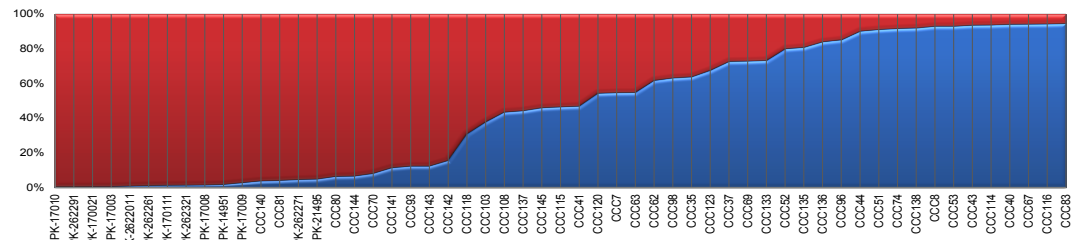
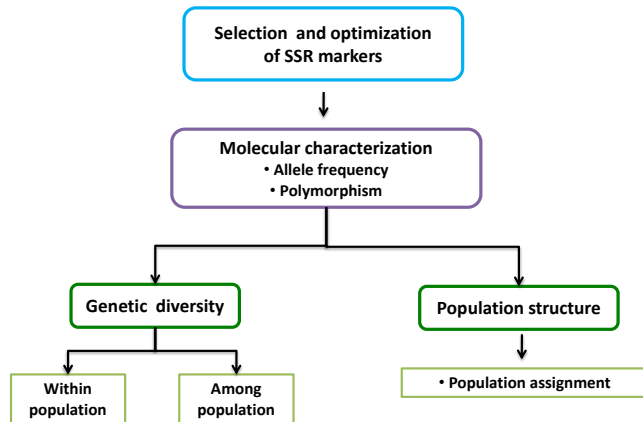
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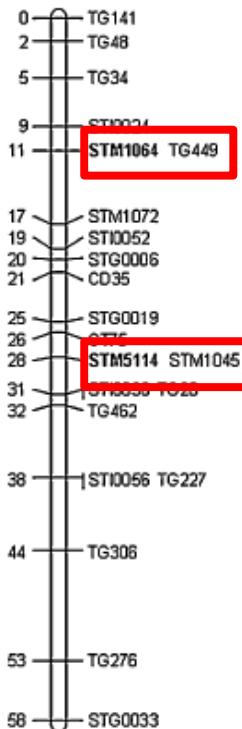
results and discussion



SSR marker selection criteria:

Milbourne *et al.*, 1998, Feingold *et al.*, 2005, Ghislain *et al.*, 2006 - 2009.

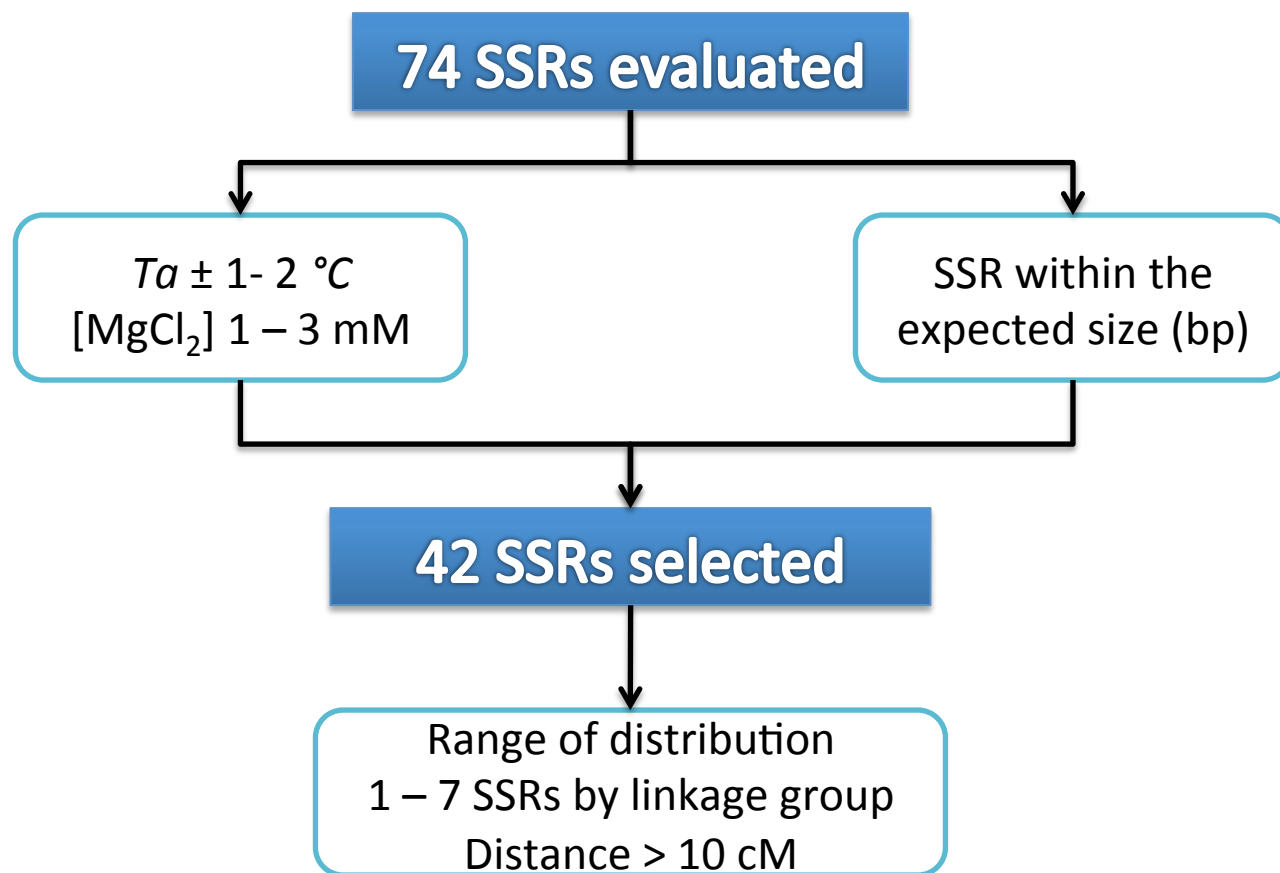
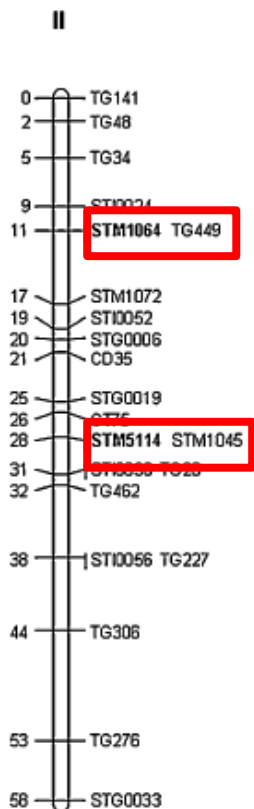
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Criteria:

- Distribution in the 12 linkage groups of potato
- Absence of genetic linkage (> 5 cM)
- Optimization based on the concentration of MgCl_2 , T_a (annealing temperature)
- Optimal level of resolution

Selection and optimization of SSR markers



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Selection and optimization
of SSR markers



Molecular characterization

- Allele frequency
- Polymorphism

- Genotyping
- Number of alleles/ SSR
- Analysis of SSR polymorphic (PIC)

Genetic diversity

Population structure

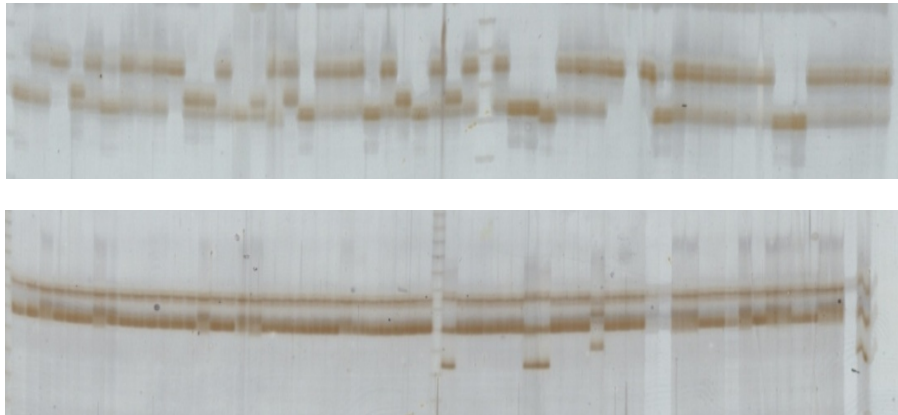
Intrapopulation

Interpopulation

- Population assignment

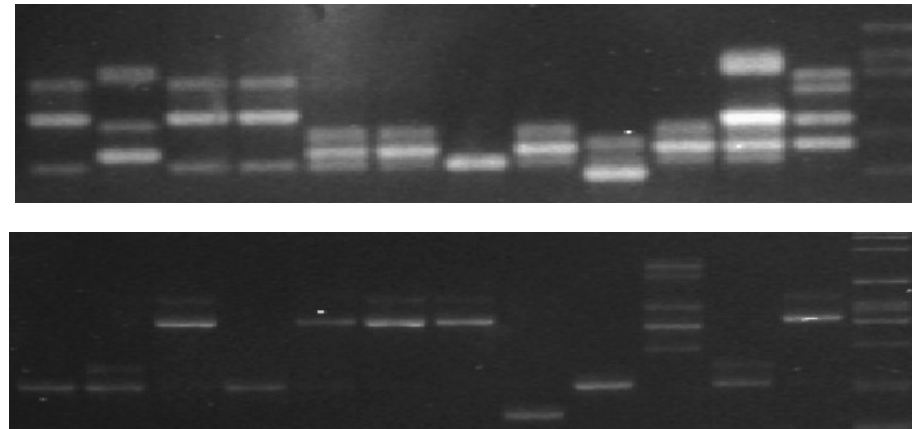
Molecular characterization

SSRs - Poliacrylamide gel 4%



- 23 SSR selected
- Silver stain

SSRs Sepreadex gel



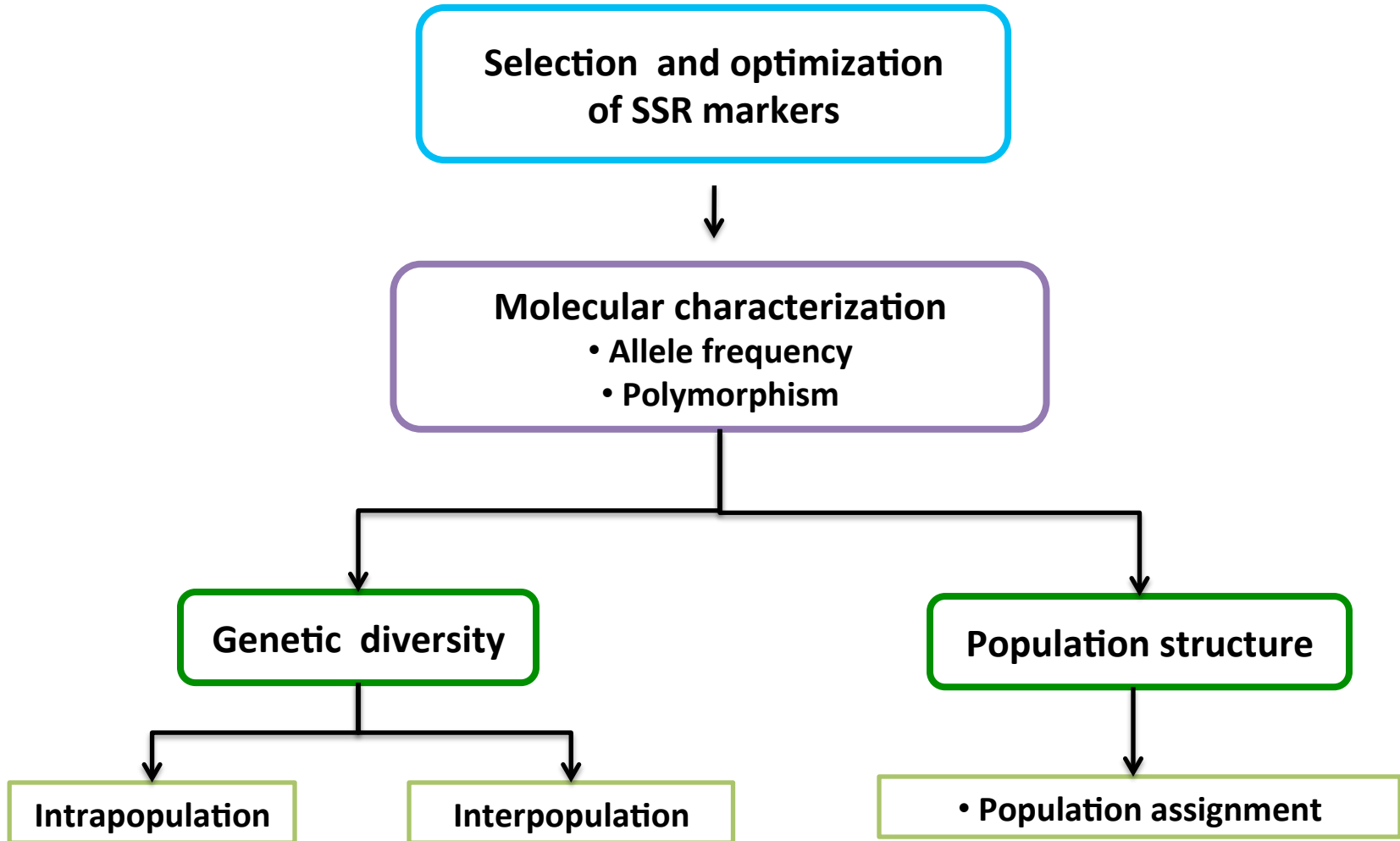
- 19 SSR selected
- Sepreadex gel (EL300, EL600)

Molecular characterization

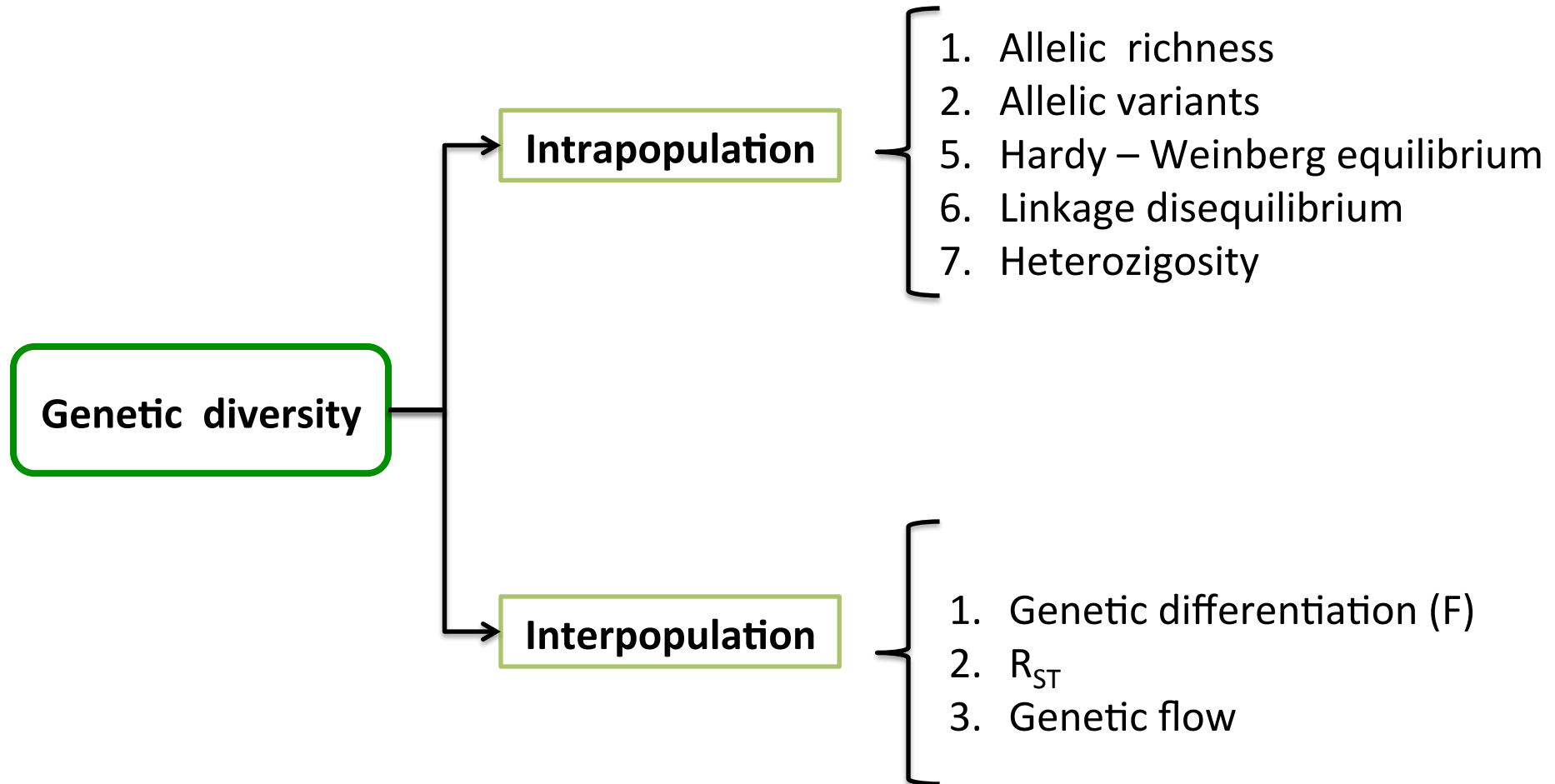
	Number of alleles	Polymorphic index content (PIC) *
SSRs (range)	2 – 12	0.20 – 0.801
Mean	6	0,458
Total per population	240	

* Software Powermarker v.3.25

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Allelic richness and variants

Allelic variants	CCC (N=97)	IPK (N=13)
Number of alleles	1 – 11 (STI023)	1 – 9 (STI021)
Allelic size (bp)	96 - 270	96 - 310
Rare alleles	32 alleles/22 SSR	1 allele / 1 SSR
Private alleles	37 alleles /21 SSR	24 alleles / 16 SSR
Average frequency of null alleles *	0,1152	0,1905

*Maximum likelihood estimation of null allele frequency (Genepop 4.0.10)

EM algorithm (Dempster, Laird and Rubin, 1977) – distinguishes between apparent homozygous and heterozygous for different alleles.

Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium

H0= random union of gametes
H1= heterozygote excess



Dememorization number = 1000
Number of batches = 100
Number of iterations per batch = 1000

Exact HW test

P- value (locus/populations)

Marker	CCC
	F_{IS}
StwaX2	-0.344*
STM0025	-0.298*
STI054	-0.959*

Global HW test

Total *P- value* (populations)

Marker	CCC	IPK
Total test	P = 1.000	P = 1.000
Global	SD = 0.000	SD = 0.000

Linkage Disequilibrium (LD)

Test association between
diploid genotypes at two loci



*Ho: "Genotypes at one locus are independent
from genotypes at the other locus"*

Populations	CCC	IPK
Pairs of markers in LD	64 (7%) P = 0.0000-0,0009	6 (0,66%) P = 0,0000-0,00013
Common markers in LD	(i.e STGBSS, StwaX2, STG0018, STM1104, STM0025)	

***P-value** : Analyzed after Bonferroni correction for multiple comparisons problems ($P < 0,0012$)**

Results - Heterozygosity

Populations	H_o	H_s	H_T	D_{ST}	G_{ST}
Natural	0.424	0.555	0.582	0.026	0.045

H_o = Observed heterozygosity

H_s = Expected heterozygosity

H_T = Total heterozygosity

D_{ST} = Gene diversity among populations

G_{ST} = Differentiation between populations
on several loci

Diversity - discussion

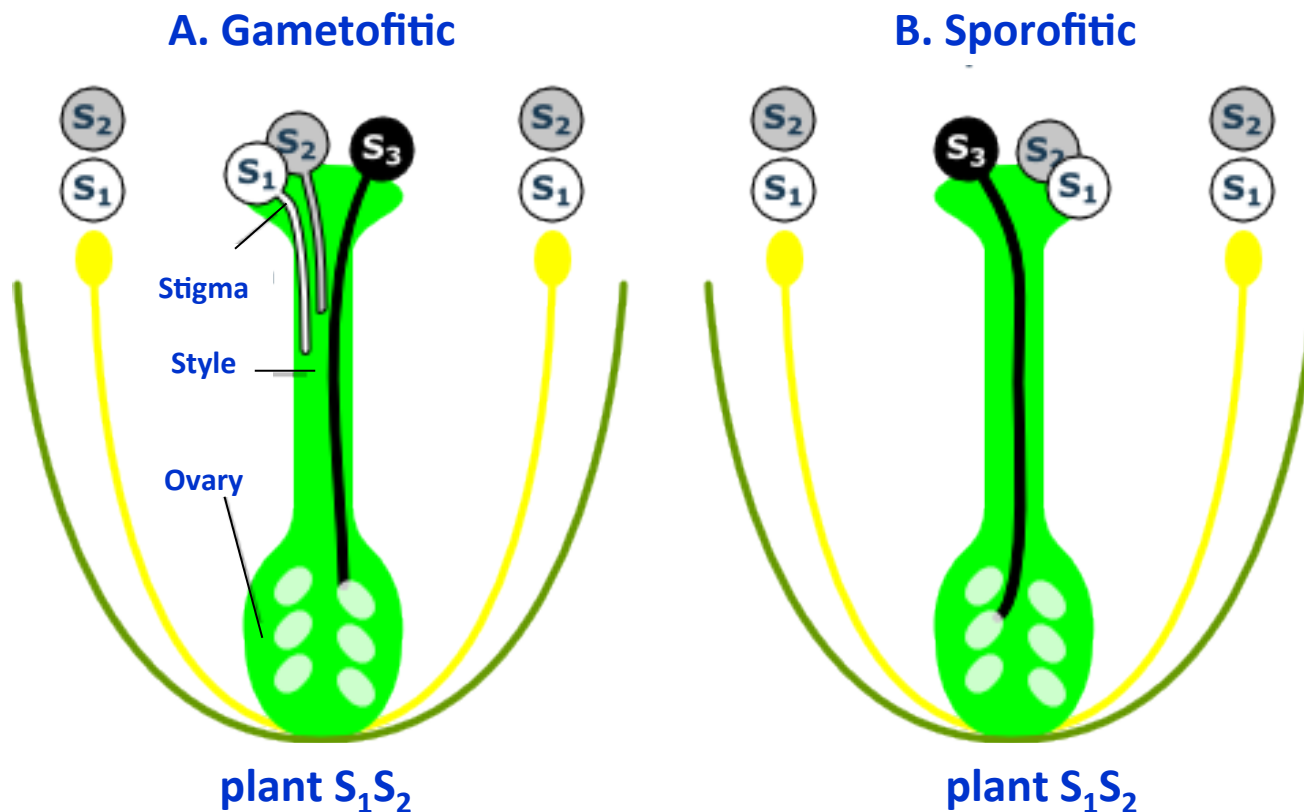
- High heterozygosity (Hs-diversity) has been maintained despite the artificial selection.

H_s	{	Diploid genotypes from Colombia	(0.55)
		<i>S. tuberosum</i> group tuberosum	(0.46 – 0.52)
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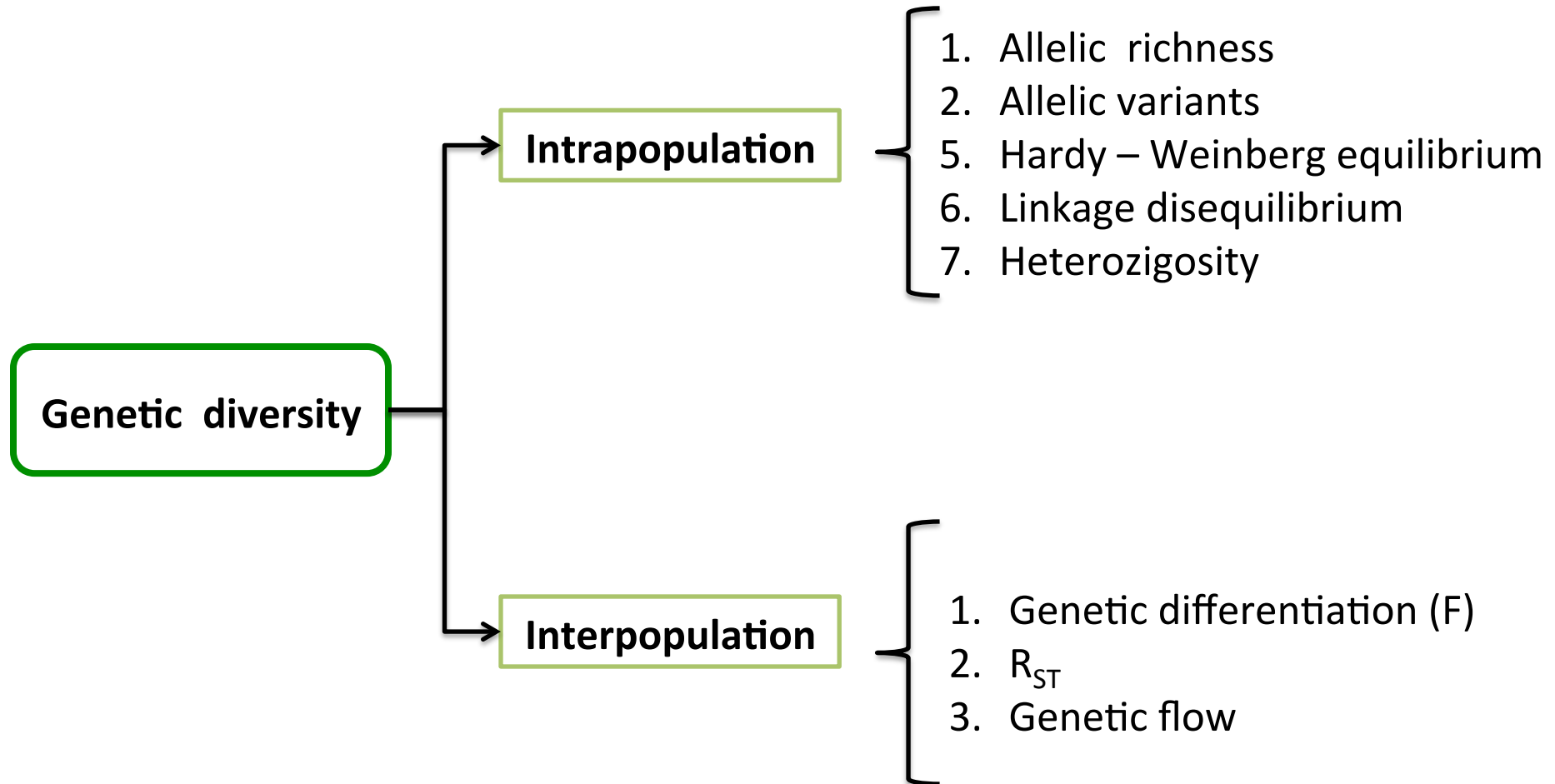
- High intervarietal hybridization (outcrossing conditions).

Heterozygosity - discussion

- Diploid potato species have a strong self-incompatibility due to the presence of the *S* allele rejection system, that inhibit fertilization when male and female gametes present the same genetic constitution (Hawkes 1987).



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Coefficients of genetic differentiation

Populations	F_{IS}	F_{ST}	F_{IT}
Natural	0.17115*	0.09636*	0.25103*

* *P*-value : 0.00000

F_{IS} : Inbreeding coefficient within populations ($F_{IS} < 0$ indicate heterozygote excess)

F_{ST} : Coefficient of genetic differentiation between populations

F_{IT} : Total inbreeding coefficient

Rst and Genetic flow

(Slatkin, 1995)

$$M_R = \frac{d_i - 1}{4d_i} \left(\frac{1}{R_{ST}} - 1 \right).$$

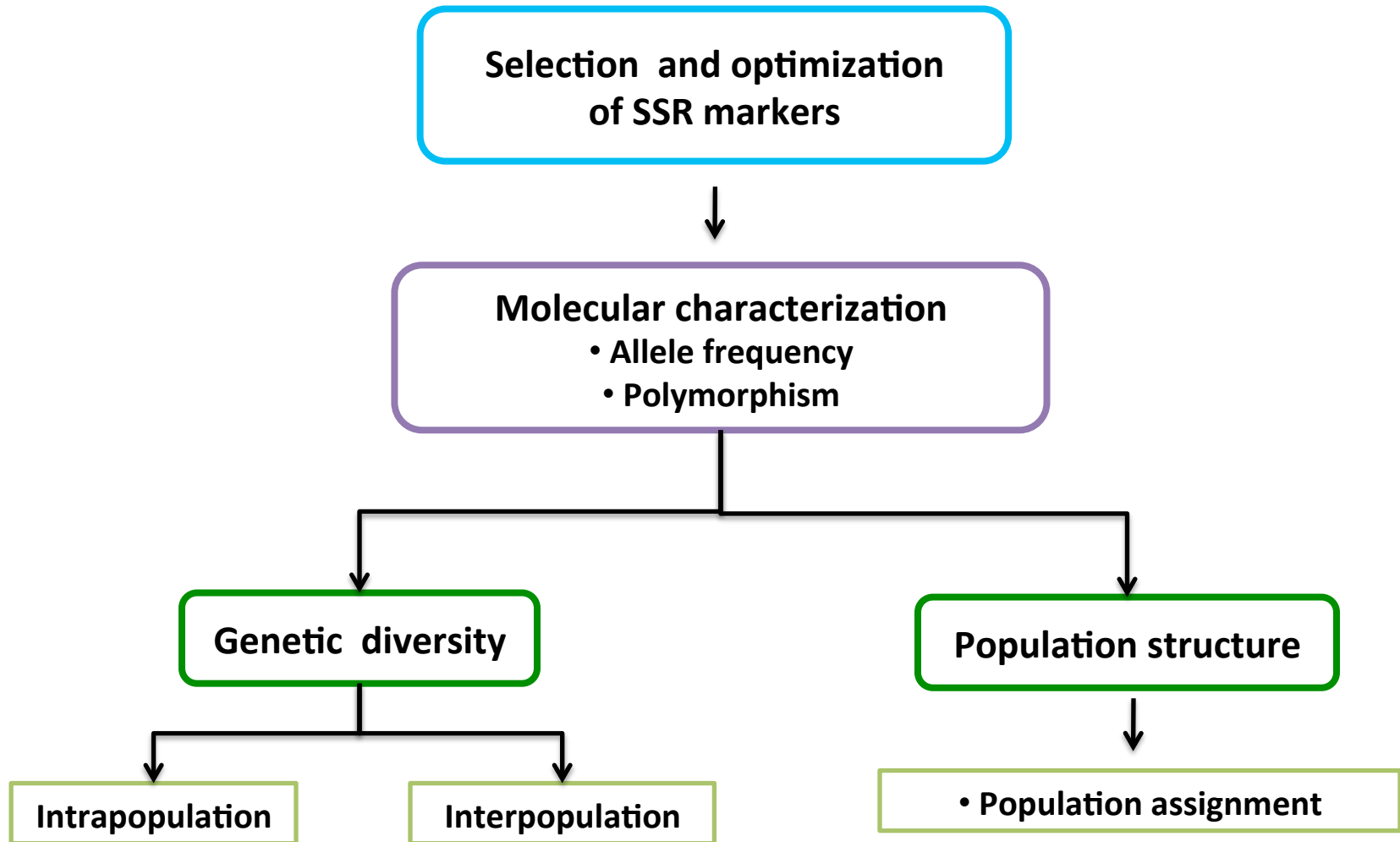
M = Nm = Genetic flow
Estimating migration rates

Population 1	Population 2	R_{ST}	Nm^{**}
CCC	IPK	0.23635*	1.61554

* Significance values ($P \leq 0,05$)

** Genetic flow ($Nm=M$) calculate from Rst

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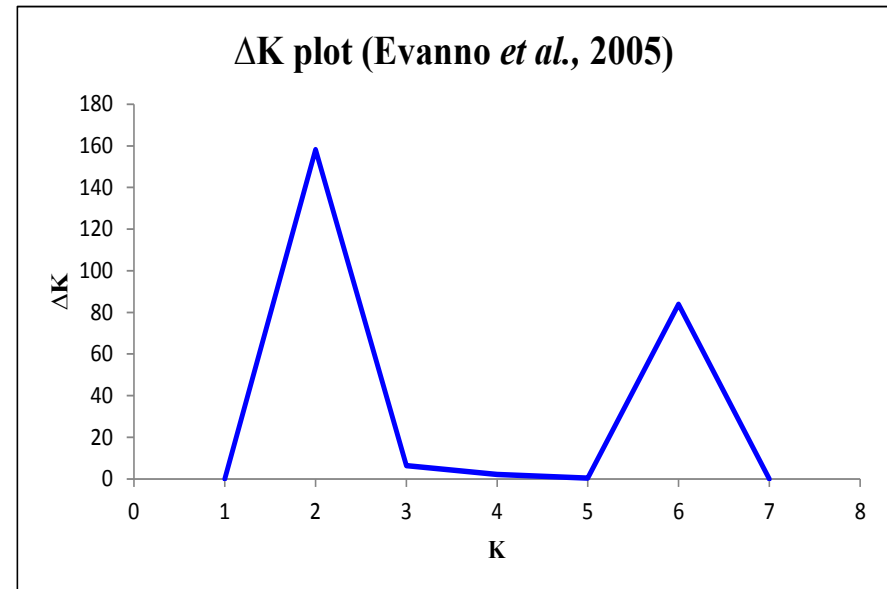
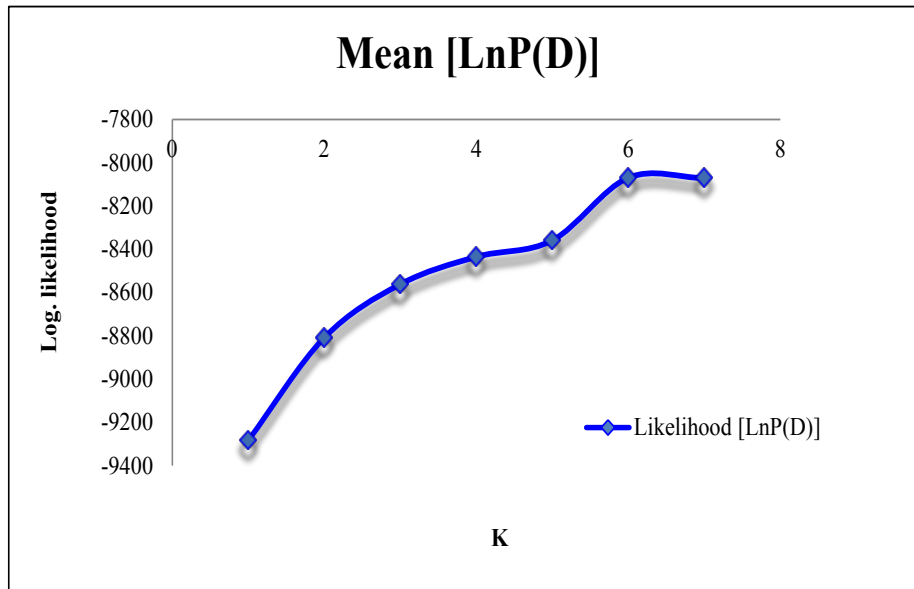
Population structure

**Model-based clustering method
(Bayesian approach)**

- 42 SSR

- **Use Admixture Model**
- **Fst = 0.01 and 0.096**
- Number of MCMC Reps after Burning: 300,000
- Length of Burning Period: 30,000
- Number of subgroups—K—ranging from two to ten with ten independent repeats

Likelihood of population assignment

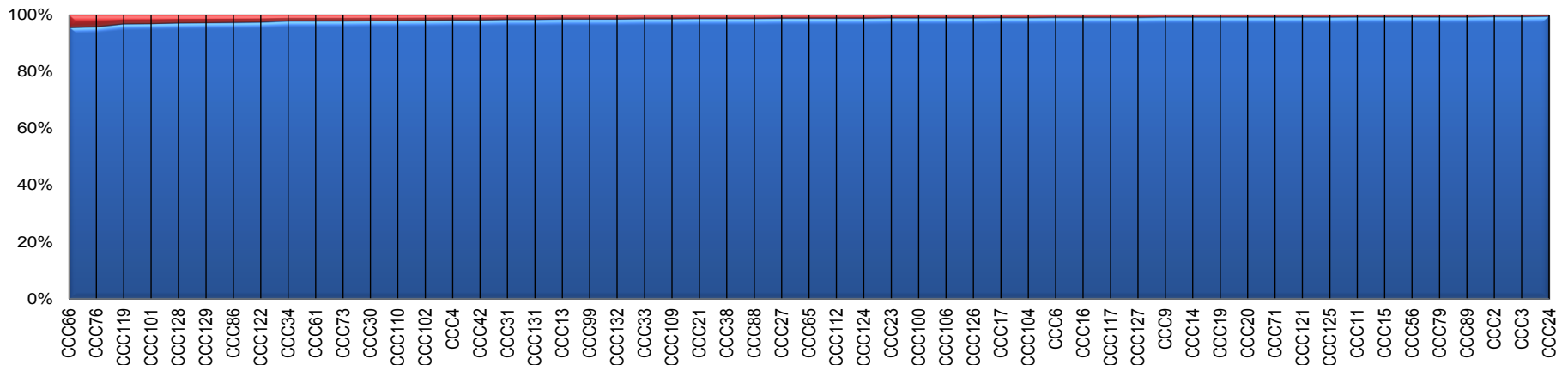
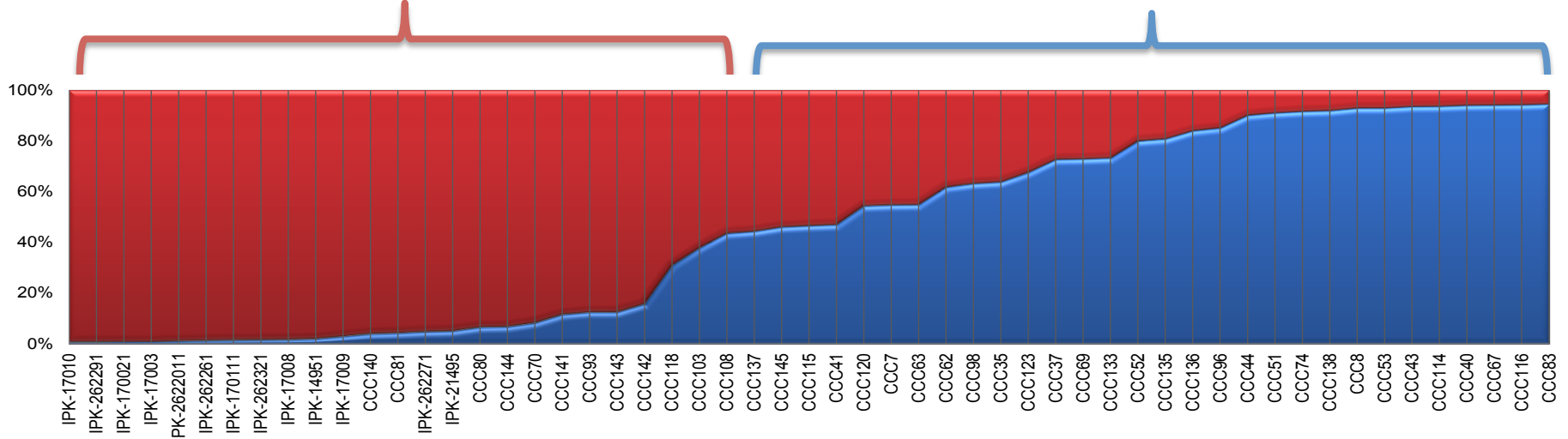


- The results of *Structure* showed a **continuous increase of the goodness** of fit, $\text{Ln}[P(D)]$, versus the number of groups K
- **No population structure was found between initial population**
- The Δ statistical test using the STRUCTURE-SUM program showed that $K = 2$ was optimal in this analysis

True underlying K

IPK

CCC



STRUCTURE solution. Bar plot of individual potato cultivars generated by STRUCTURE 2.3.2.1 using the admixture model with independent allele frequencies. Groups are represented by colours, as indicated in the legend. Each column (110 in total) represents a cultivar its genotype and is partitioned into segments indicating its likely genetic origin

Conclusion

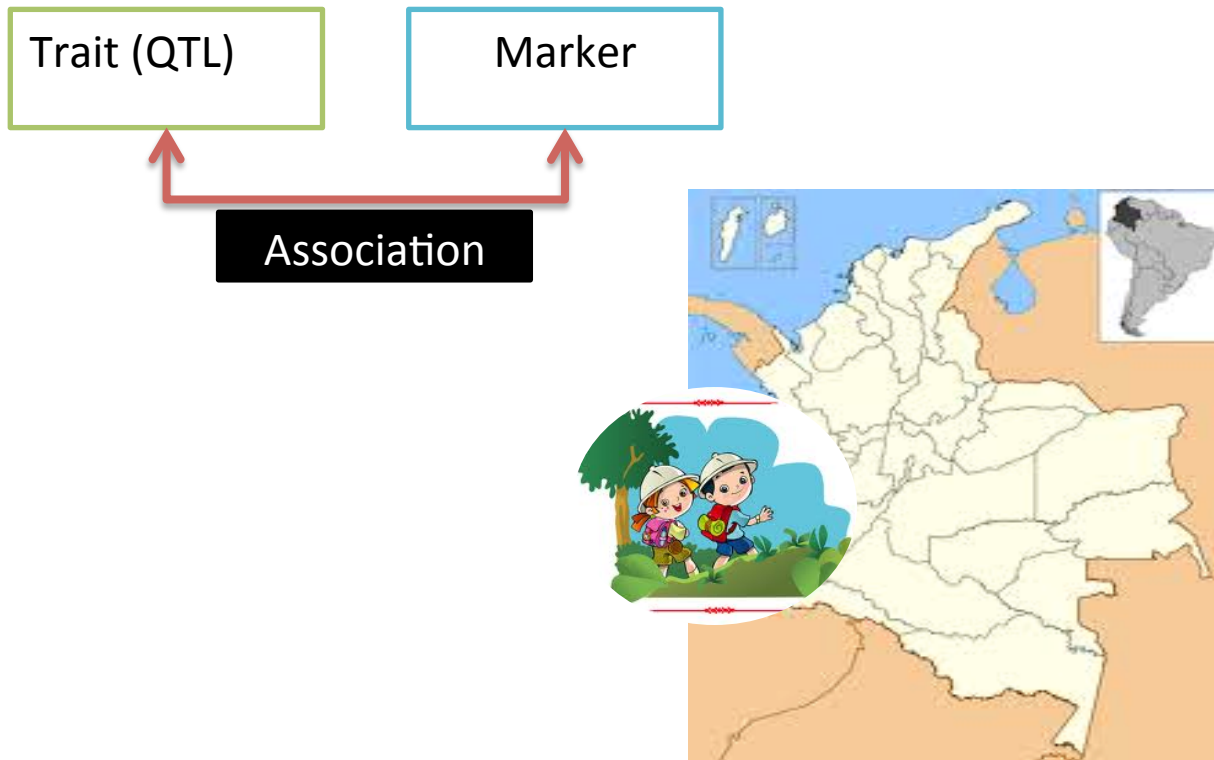
The group of selected SSRs allowed the genetic characterization of the population of interest.

Our results indicated that the population of diploids genotypes from germplasm bank of Colombia has high genetic diversity, possibly due to the high gene flow and the differentiation among individuals within populations.

The lack of population structure (CCC) found in this study allows to use this population for genetic association studies.

Perspectives

1. Association mapping



2. Design new strategies to collect genotypes to increase genetic diversity in the collection



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