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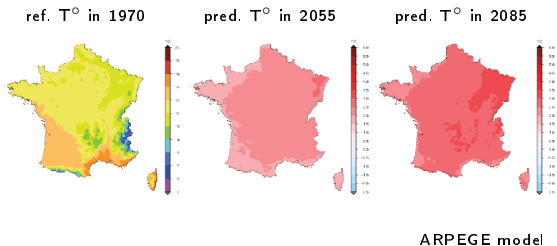


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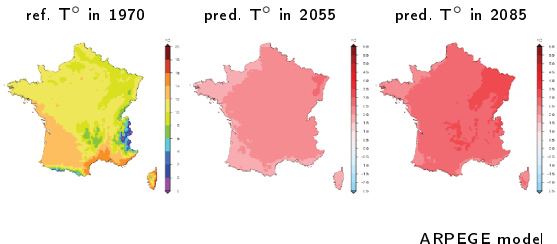
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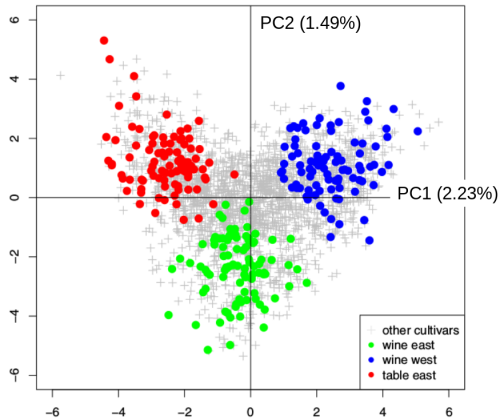


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Diversity panel of *Vitis vinifera* L. from Domaine de Vassal

Beside bi-parental populations \Rightarrow 279 cultivars (weak structure)



Nicolas *et al.* (2016)

Field layout at Domaine du Chapitre

2009: **overgraft** on
Marselan (control)

- ▶ 5 complete randomized blocks
- ▶ each genotype has 1 replicate per block



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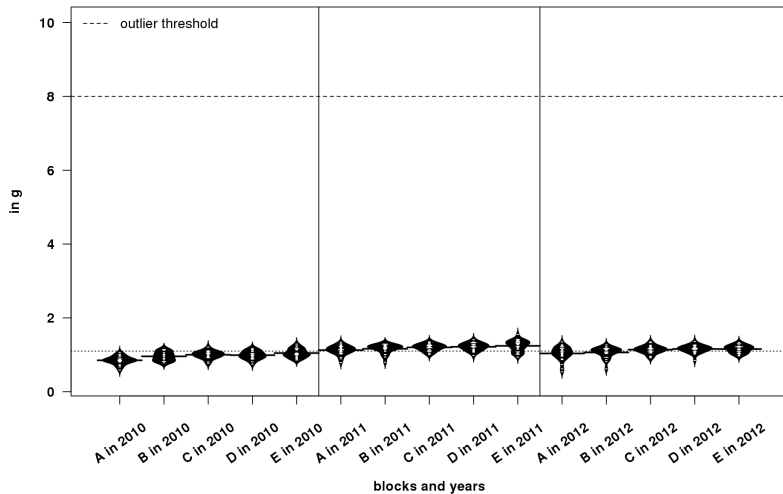
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⇒ Focus on **mean berry weight** (2010-2012)

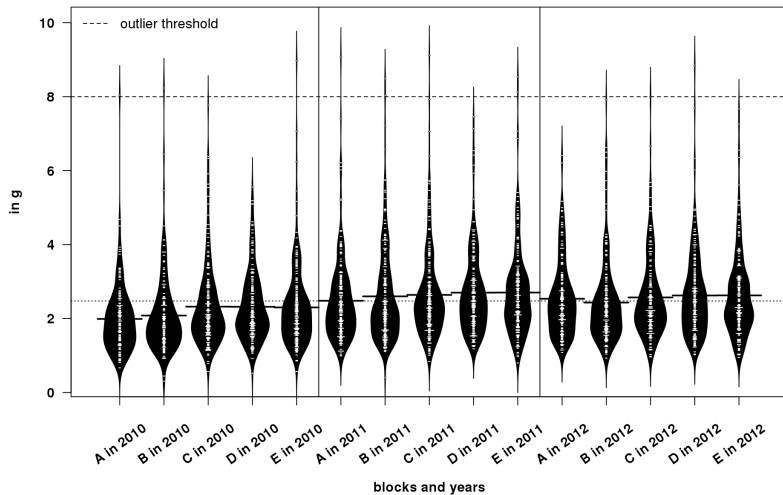
Mean berry weight: exploratory analysis of phenotypes

Control genotype (Marselan) per block and year



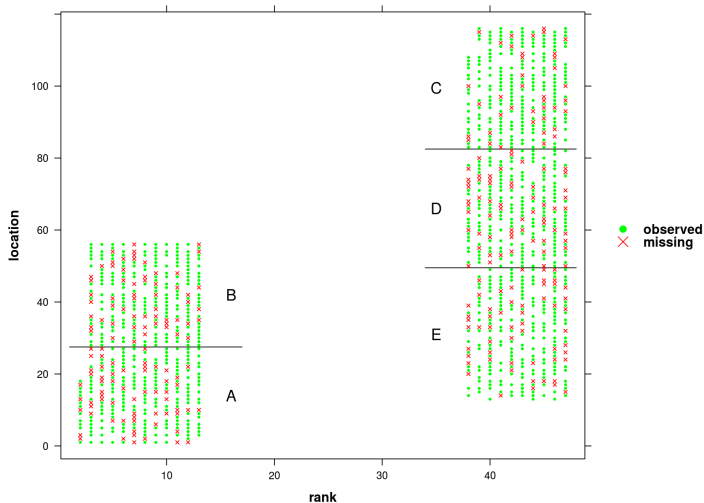
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Missing data in 2011



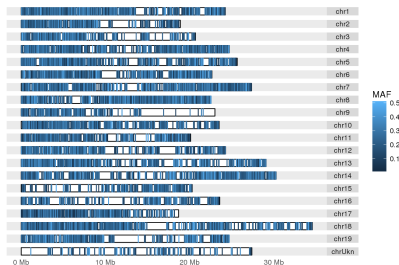
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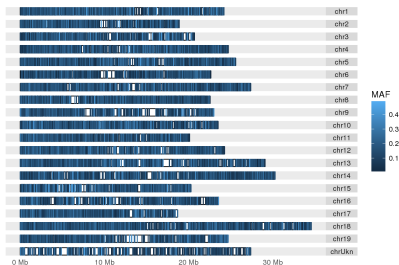
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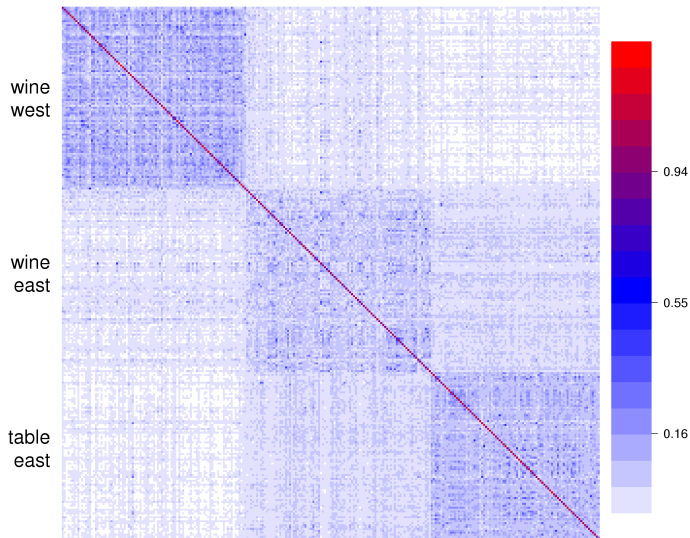


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⇒ **Densification** required to tag all/most causal polymorphisms

Kinship matrix from SNPs (additive genetic relationships)



Statistical analysis of phenotypic data

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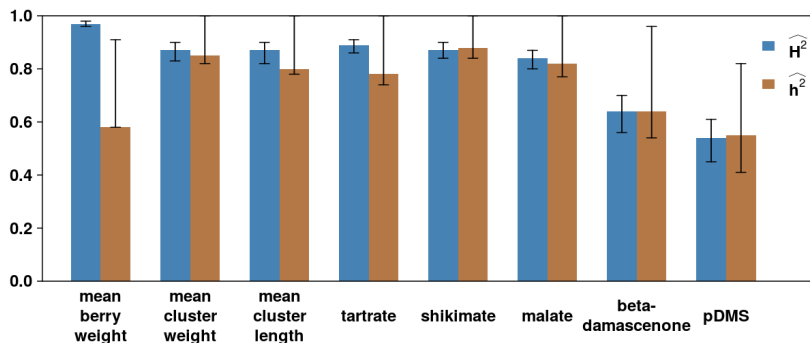
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- ▶ \mathbf{A} : kinship matrix of additive genetic relationships
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Estimation of heritabilities

H^2 : higher, better \rightarrow g well approximated by its BLUP

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- ▶ fully polygenic: all $\beta_p \neq 0$
- ▶ major QTLs only: few $\beta_p \neq 0$ and all others $= 0$
- ▶ hybrid: all $\beta_p \neq 0$ and few $\tilde{\beta}_p \neq 0$

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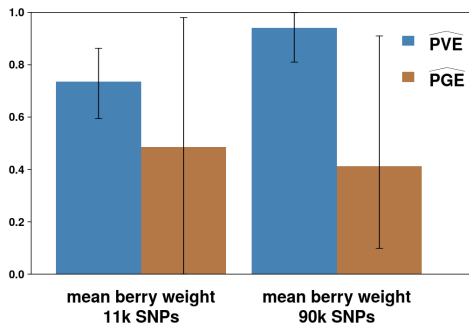
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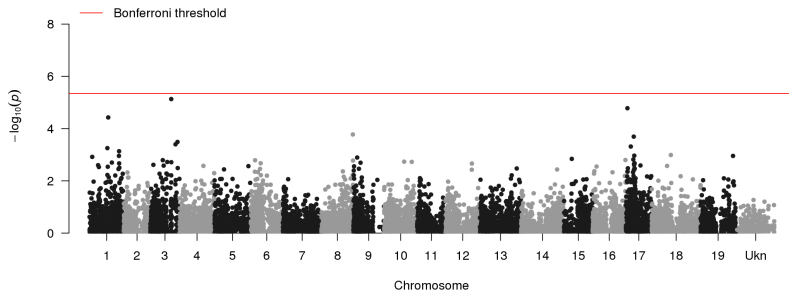


trait	#SNPs	med(#QTLs)
mbw	11k	31 [0,169]
mbw	90k	14 [2,115]

- ▶ importance of genotyping densification
- ▶ large amount of genetic variance from polygenic component

Mean berry weight: SNP-by-SNP versus multi-SNP

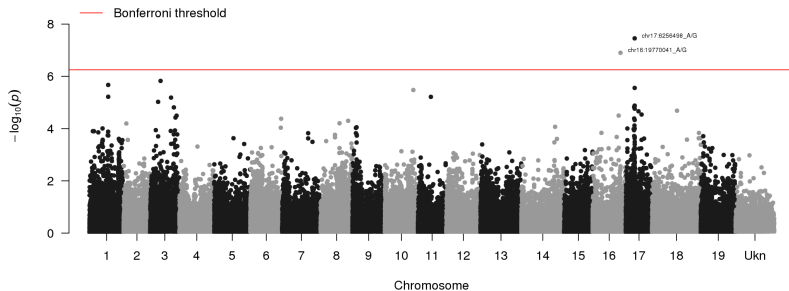
SNP-by-SNP with 11k SNPs



⇒ genotyping not dense enough

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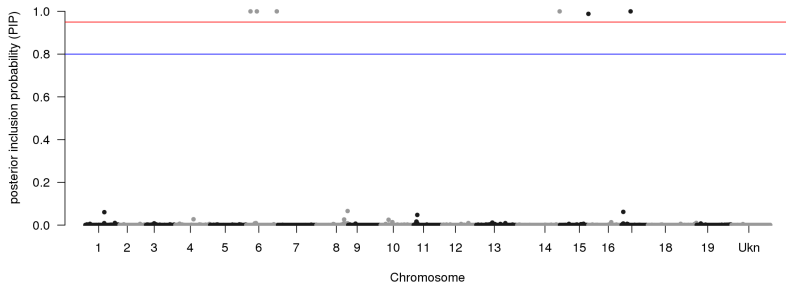
SNP-by-SNP with 90k SNPs



⇒ dense enough to find two significant SNPs

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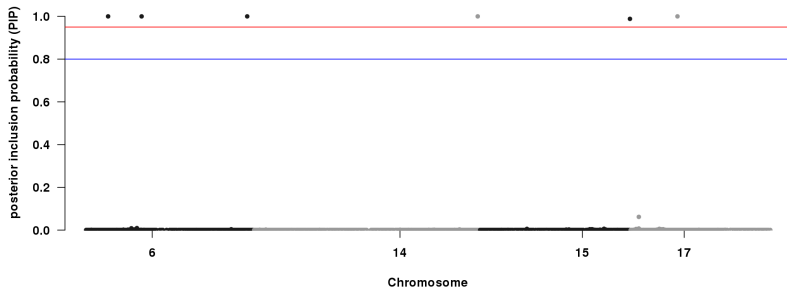
Multi-SNP (major QTLs only) with 90k SNPs



⇒ more power to find six SNPs tagging putative QTLs

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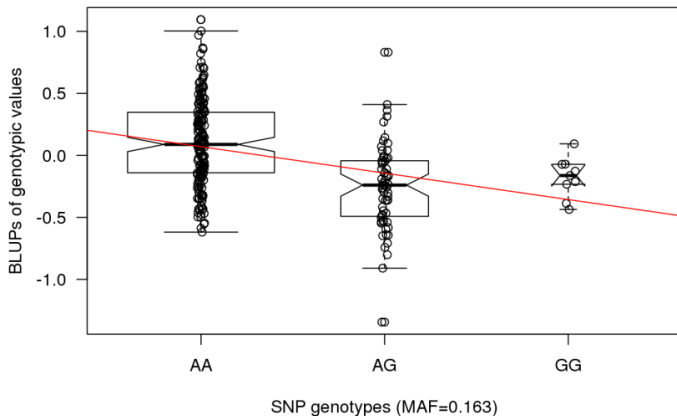
Focus on the selected SNPs



- ▶ $\widehat{\text{PVE}} = 0.668$ [0.613, 0.735]
- ▶ need to define QTLs around selected SNPs

Mean berry weight: selected SNPs

SNP #1 at ≈ 6.3 Mb on chr17 (overlap known QTLs)

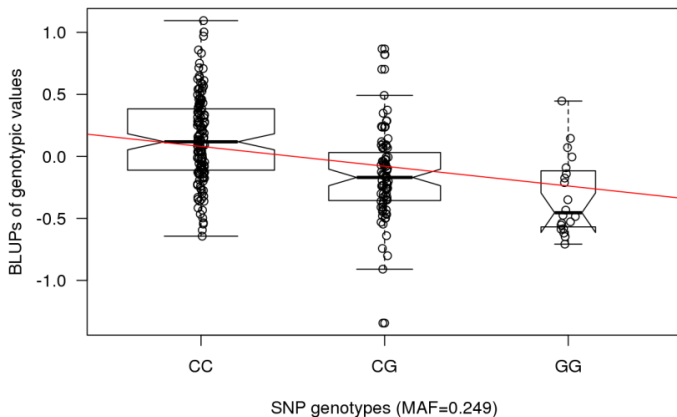


$$\Pr(\widehat{\beta_p} \neq 0) = 1 ; \widehat{PVE}_p = 0.094 ; \widehat{\beta}_p = -0.213 ; CI_{95\%} = [-0.263, -0.163]$$

location: coding of Vitvi17g00537, (-)-isopiperitenol/(-)-carveol dehydrogenase, mitochondrial

Mean berry weight: selected SNPs

SNP #2 at ≈ 29.9 Mb on chr14



$\Pr(\widehat{\beta}_p \neq 0) = 0.999$; $\widehat{\text{PVE}}_p = 0.074$; $\widehat{\beta}_p = -0.159$; $\text{CI}_{95\%} = [-0.202, -0.117]$

location: promoter of Vitvi14g02008, uncharacterized

Prospects with the panel

Phenotyping:

- ▶ improved phenotyping of **berry physiology** (poster 49); tolerance to **pathogens** (poster 57)
- ▶ phenotyping in **multiple sites** and **greenhouses** to study GxE

Genotyping:

- ▶ **capture**-based sequencing of GBS-defined SNPs
- ▶ search for traces of **selection**

Modeling:

- ▶ genomic **prediction** to speed-up selection (poster 82)
- ▶ **multi-pop/-trait** statistical analysis (ongoing work)

Take-home message

With **dense** genotyping and **multi-SNP** models,
the **diversity panel** of *V. vinifera* L.
from INRA Montpellier
allows estimating the **genetic architecture** of
numerous traits of interest,
to help design efficient **breeding** strategies.

- ▶ diversity panel: virus-free and available
- ▶ data and reproducible analyzes: available upon publication
- ▶ **contact**: Agnès Doligez (agnes.doligez@inra.fr)

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