
TRAINING IN ORGANIC BREEDING!



Module 5 - Organic heterogeneous material (OHM) design and development
MARCH 7th 2025, 9:00 to 18:00 CET



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 **Unit 5.1: Composite Cross Populations: setting-up & selection**

- 9:00-11:00 - UPV (A. Rodriguez-Burrueto) + INRAe (Isabelle Goldringer)
- 11:00-11:30 Break

 **Unit 5.2: Dynamic Mixtures: setting-up & selection**

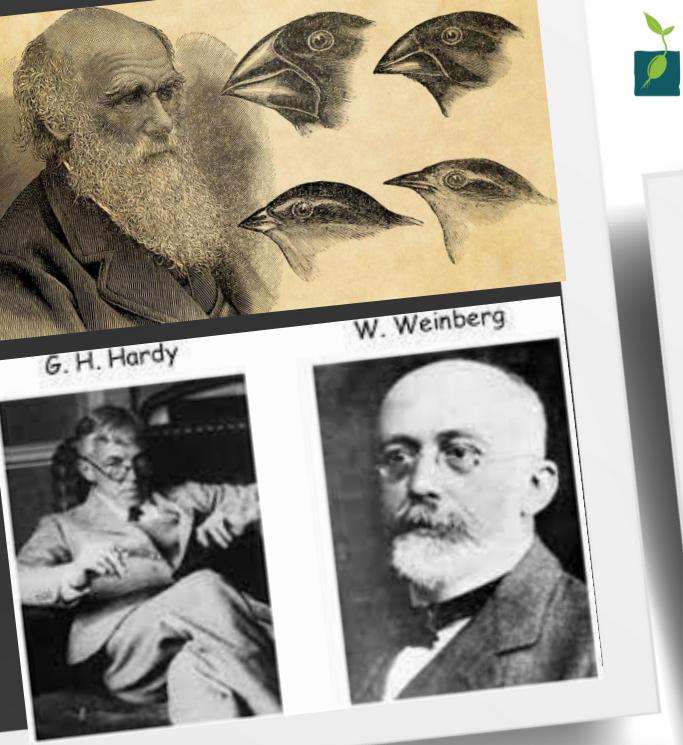
- 11:30-13:00 - IPC (Pedro Mendes Moreira)
- 13:00-14:30 Lunch Break

 **Unit 5.3: Fundamentals of populations genetics applied to OHM development and use**

- 14:30-16:00 - UPV (A. Rodríguez-Burrueto) + INRAe (Isabelle Goldringer)
- 16:00-16:30 Break

 **Unit 5.4: Using genomics to track the evolution of heterogeneous organic materials**

- 16:30-18:00 - FiBL (Michael Schneider)



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IMPORTANT

1. *Questions through the chat*

2. FOR CERTIFICATES:
 - 2.1. Quiz (10 min)
 - 2.2. Home work (next Friday 14th March)
SEND TO ME adrodbur@doctor.upv.es
and Ananmarija Coric (IPS) anamarija.coric@ips-konzalting.hr

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Things to be treated today

1. *Genetic structure basics*
2. *Evolution with reproductive systems*
 - 2.1. *Autogamous*
 - 2.2. *Allogamous*
3. *Microevolutionary forces*
4. *Practical example: PopGen server (Radford Univ.) **
5. *QUIZ (10 min)*
6. *Wrap up, take home messages and *homework (about 5 min)*

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Genetic structure basis

- Very Basic: 1 gene A & 2 alleles (a_1 & a_2)
- Genotype and allele frequencies**

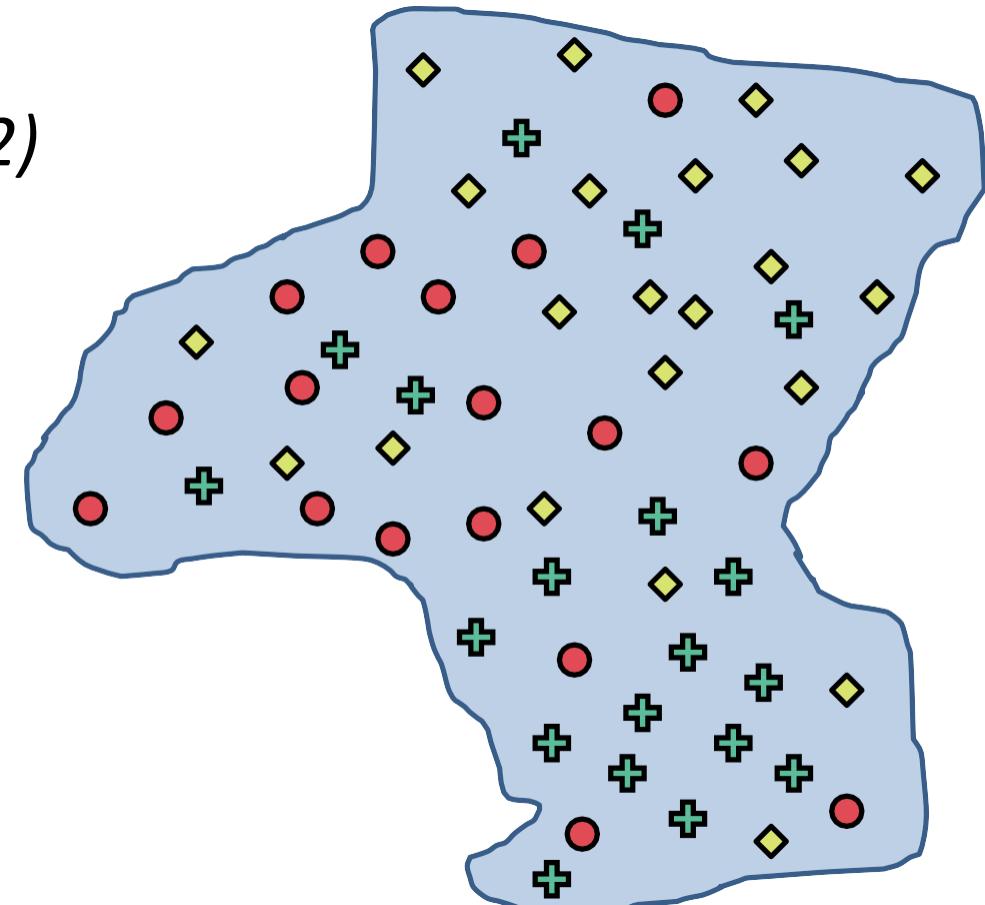
Genotypes

a_1a_1 ●

a_1a_2 ◇

a_2a_2 +

- N_{11} : n° a_1a_1
- N_{12} : n° a_1a_2
- N_{22} : n° a_2a_2
- $N_T = N_{11} + N_{12} + N_{22}$



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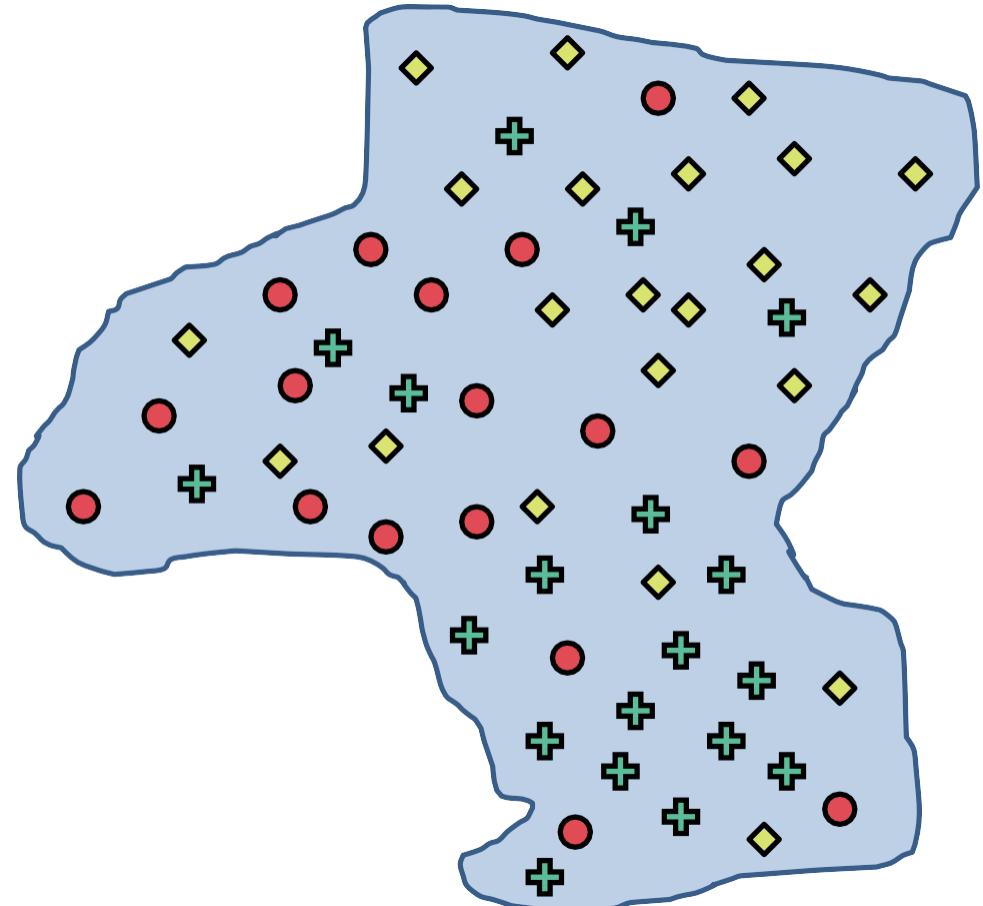
Genetic structure basis

Genotype frequencies

- $F(a1a1) = N_{11}/N_T$
- $F(a1a2) = N_{12}/N_T$
- $F(a2a2) = N_{22}/N_T$

Allele/gene frequencies

- $F(a1) = (2 \times N_{11} + N_{12})/2 \times N_T$
- $F(a1) = F(a1a1) + 1/2 \times F(a1a2)$
- $F(a1) = p$
- $F(a2) = (2 \times N_{22} + N_{12})/2 \times N_T$
- $F(a2) = F(a2a2) + 1/2 \times F(a1a2)$
- $F(a1) = q$



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Genetic structure basis

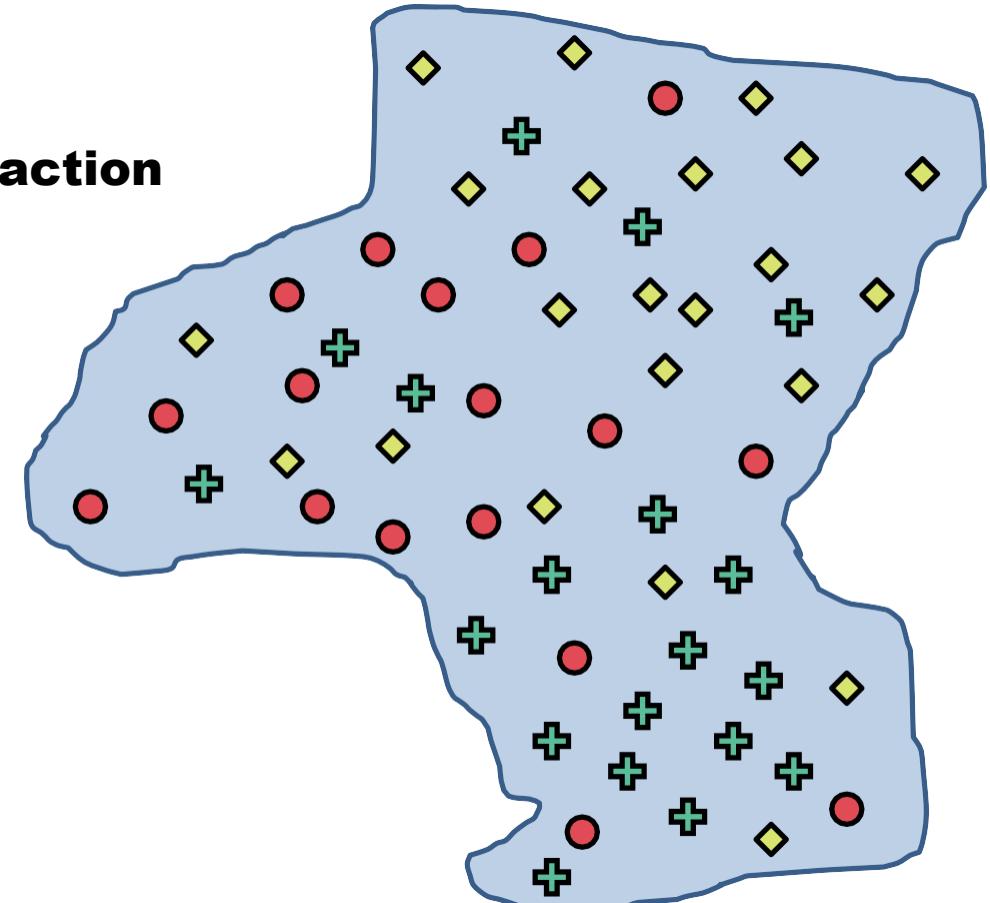
Phenotype frequencies...depend on allele interaction

Dominance: $a_1 > a_2$

- $a_1a_1 = a_1a_2 \neq a_2a_2$
- $FP_{a1} = F(a_1a_1) + F(a_1a_2)$
- $FP_{a2} = F(a_2a_2)$

**Co-dominance, partial dominance,
intermediate inheritance, etc:**

- **No dominance between a_1 vs a_2**
- $a_1a_1 \neq a_1a_2 \neq a_2a_2$
- **Each genotype one phenotype**



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Genetic structure basis

Multiallelism... What if not only a_1 , a_2 , but also a_3 ,?

Genotype frequencies

- $F(a_1a_1) = N_{11}/N_T$
- $F(a_1a_2) = N_{12}/N_T$
- $F(a_1a_3) = N_{13}/N_T$
- $F(a_2a_2) = N_{22}/N_T$
- $F(a_2a_3) = N_{23}/N_T$
- $F(a_3a_3) = N_{33}/N_T$

Allele/gene frequencies

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- $F(a_1) = p$
- $F(a_2) = (2 \times N_{22} + N_{12} + N_{23})/2 \times N_T$
- $F(a_2) = F(a_2a_2) + 1/2 \times F(a_1a_2) + 1/2 \times F(a_2a_3)$
- $F(a_2) = q$
- $F(a_3) = (2 \times N_{33} + N_{13} + N_{23})/2 \times N_T$
- $F(a_3) = F(a_3a_3) + 1/2 \times F(a_1a_3) + 1/2 \times F(a_2a_3)$
- $F(a_3) = r$

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Evolution with reproductive systems

Autogamous species (strict)

	AA	Aa	aa
F1	0	1	0
F2	0,25	0,5	0,25
F3	0,375	0,25	0,375
F4	0,4375	0,125	0,438
F5	0,4688	0,0625	0,469
F6	0,4844	0,0313	0,484
F7	0,4922	0,0156	0,492
F8	0,4961	0,0078	0,496
F9	0,498	0,0039	0,498
F10	0,499	0,002	0,499
F11	0,4995	0,001	0,5
F12	0,4998	0,0005	0,5
Fn	0,500	0,000	0,500

Let's be simple again!!! 1 gene & 2 alleles

**TREND: at the end a mixture of homozygous individuals = inbred lines
2 genotypes per gene (AA and aa)**

Heterozygous very rare (with some cross pollination) or disappear

**AABB
AAbb aaBB aabb
aaBBcc aabbcc aabbCC
AAbbCC AABBCC
AaBBcc etc**

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Evolution with reproductive systems

Allogamous species (strict)

On each generation, all the individuals cross among them (panmixia)

On a ideal situation:
Infinite populations
All cross with all randomly
No microevolutionary forces

AaBBCc
AABbcc aABCc aabb
AaBbcC
aABbCC AaBbcc
AaBBCc etc

Hardy-Weiberg law:

$$F(a_1a_1) = p^2 \quad F(a_2a_2) = q^2 \quad F(a_1a_2) = 2 \cdot p \cdot q$$

Donde $p = F(a_1)$, $q = F(a_2)$ y $p^2 + q^2 + 2 \cdot p \cdot q = 1$

TREND:

in just one generation the population reaches the equilibrium.

With genotype frequencies $p^2 + q^2 + 2 \cdot p \cdot q = 1$
A mixture of homozygous and heterozygous individuals (3 genotypes per gene)

More diverse populations

Better against nature's selection

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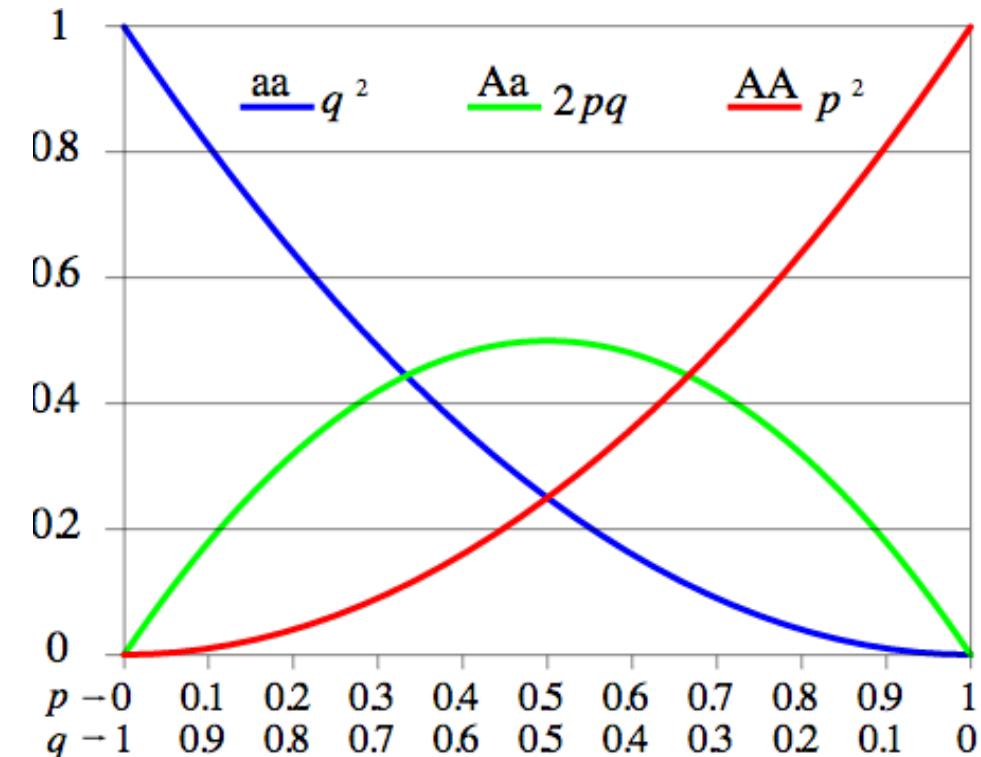
$$\text{Where } p = F(a_1), q = F(a_2) \quad \text{and} \quad p^2 + q^2 + 2 \cdot p \cdot q = 1$$

Example:

Population with frequencies 0.20, 0.40 and 0.40 for a_1a_1 , a_1a_2 and a_2a_2

1. gene frequencies?

2. How in next generation the genotypic and allele frequencies?



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Evolutionary forces: 4 horsemen of the apocalypse



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Evolutionary forces: 4 horsemen of the apocalypse

ON THE WHOLE....

- **Nature selection** (and/or breeder's) affects differently the genotypes and modify their frequencies **"fitness"** Decreases diversity
- **Genetic drift** effect of population size Decreases diversity
- **Mutation** Increases diversity
- **Migration** Decreases when individuals leave
Increases when new individuals arrive

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Let's practise

Practical example: PopGen server (Radford Univ.)

https://sites.radford.edu/~rsheehy/Gen_flash/popgen/



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QUIZ (10 min)

- What kind of population is expected in highly autogamous crops?*
- And what about in highly allogamous (cross-pollination) crops?*
- Which reproductive system provides higher adaptability and resilience?*
- How selection affects genetic structure of a population?*

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What we have learned today?

- DIVERSITY = RESILIENCE*
- Autogamy, inbreeding = decreases diversity towards inbred lines and heterozygous disappearing*
- Allogamy = increases/keeps diversity by recombining genes*
- Other intermediate cases*
- Nature selection: hard evolutionary force (and helpful in breeding)*

Homework: practise with PopGene server, combine different evolutionary forces and send 3 screenshots and their interpretation (by next Friday 14th)

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ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

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T1.4 Training in Organic Breeding

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