



# IWGSC Phase II Activities: Moving from Structural to Functional Genomics

IWGSC Wheat Genome Manual and  
Functional Annotation Workshop  
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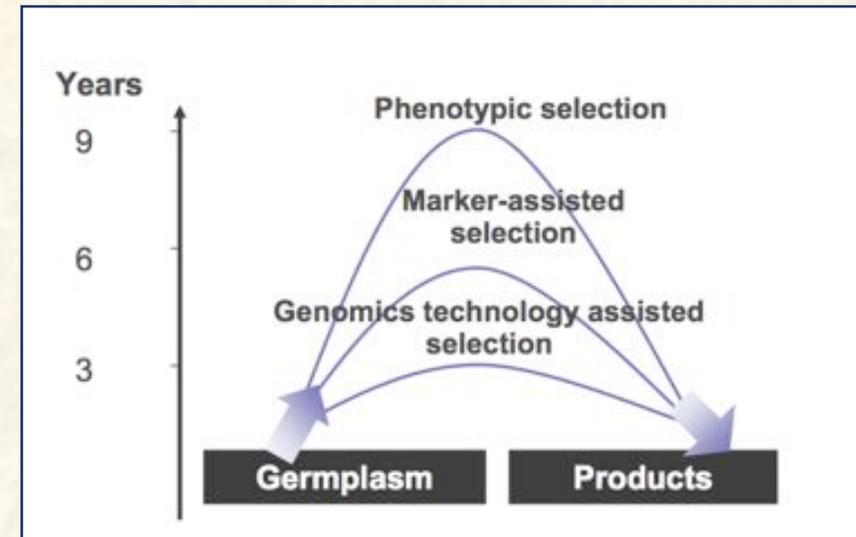
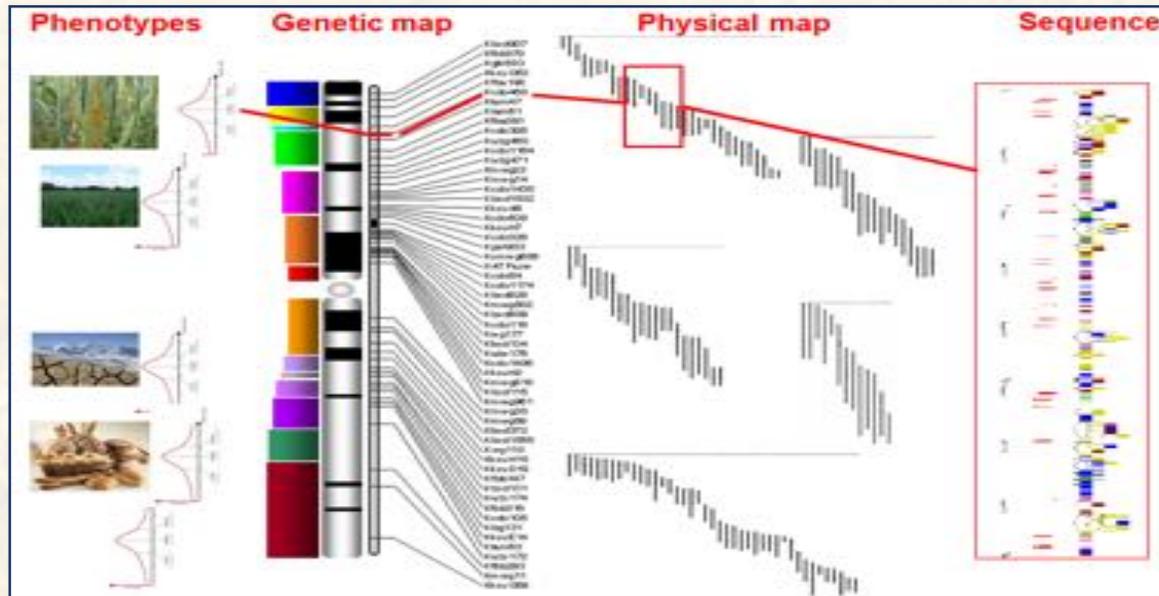
# 2005 – Goal & Vision

## Goal

- Lay a foundation to accelerate wheat improvement
- Increase profitability throughout the industry

## Vision

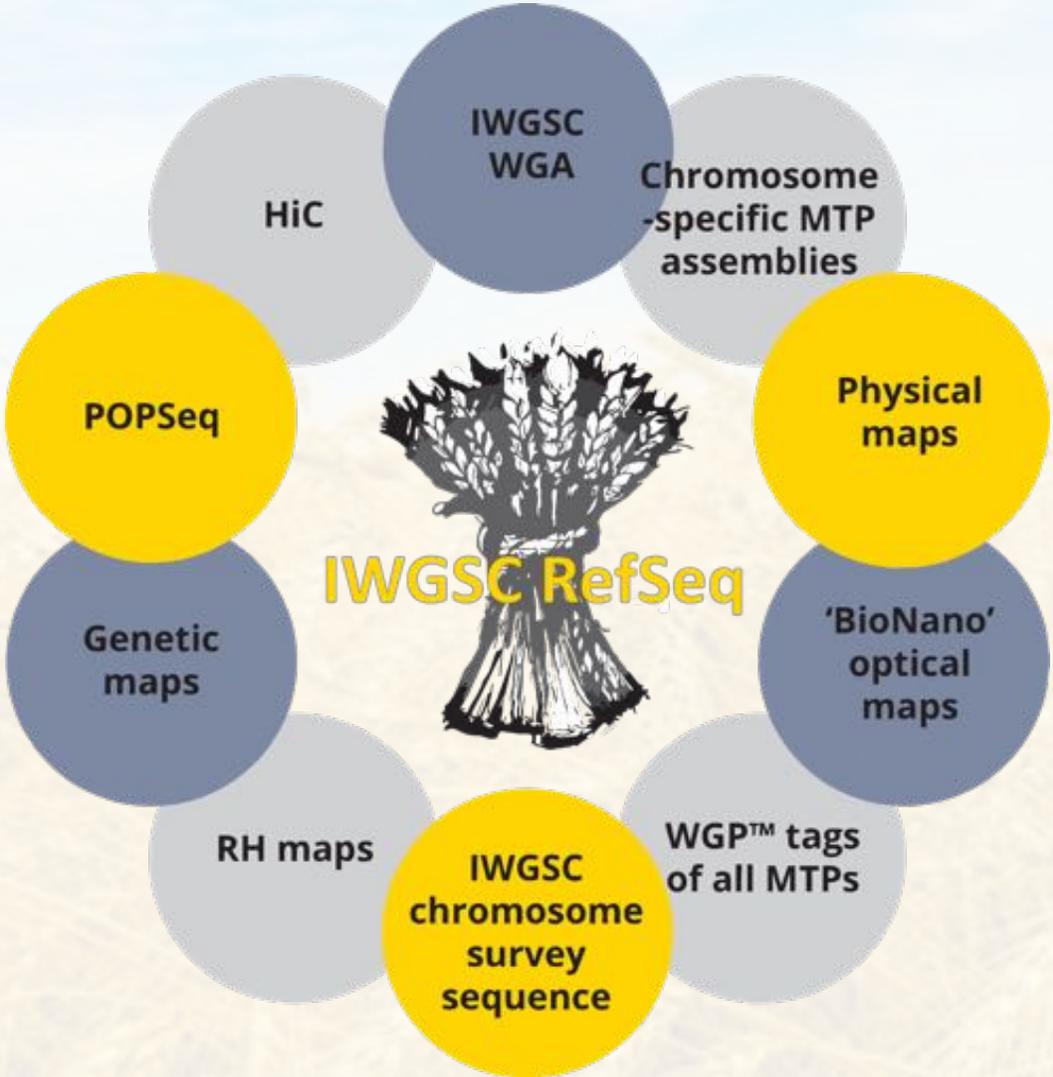
- High quality annotated genome sequence, comparable to rice
- Physical map-based, integrated and ordered sequence



# High Quality Reference Sequence of Bread Wheat: IWGSC RefSeq v1.0



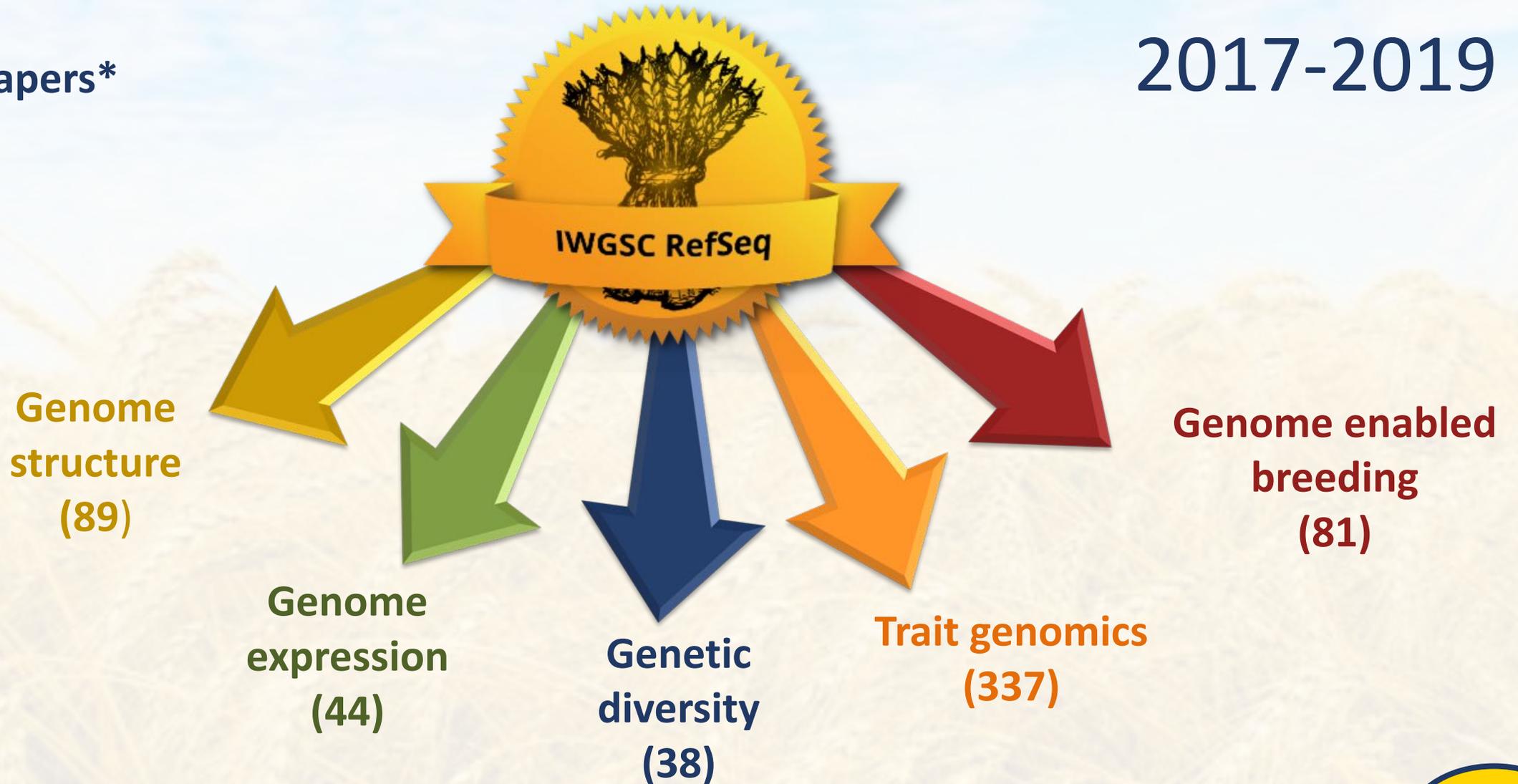
Science, 17 August 2018



# Measuring the Impact of IWGSC RefSeq v1.0

> 630 papers\*

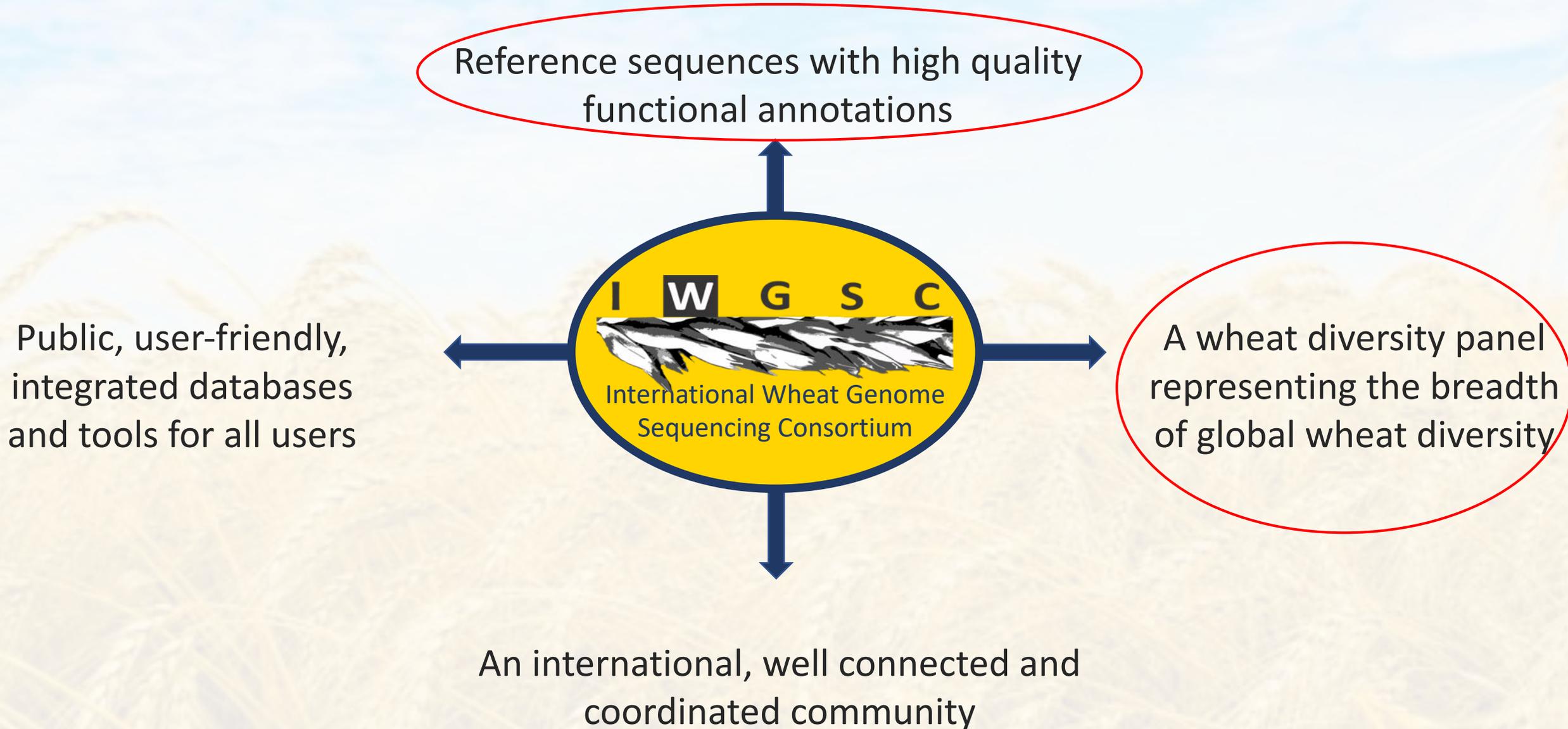
2017-2019



\* Incomplete number of papers published that referenced or used IWGSC RefSeq and associated resources



# Vision and strategy for IWGSC 2.0

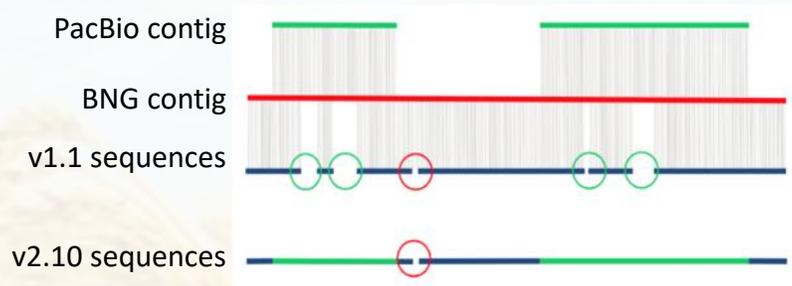


Enhance breeding through an increased understanding of the molecular basis of traits and their allelic diversity

# IWGSC RefSeq v2.0

Under the leadership of Mingcheng Luo and Jan Dvorak (UC Davis, CA, USA),  
with funding from the US National Science Foundation

## Gap closing with PacBio contigs



Number of gaps:

v1.0: 527,170 → v2.0: 183,604

65%

## Improvements v2.0 vs v1.0:

- Resolved 75 chimeric scaffolds
- Anchored 283 additional scaffolds from ChrUn of v1.0
- Corrected orientation errors for 357 scaffolds
- Revised locations (change of order) for 244 scaffolds
- Change of total length of pseudomolecules: + 158,997,657 bp
- Change of total effective length of pseudomolecules: + 167,843,761 bp
- Percentage of sequences anchored on chromosomes: 97.65% in v2.0 (96.69% in v1.0)
- All revisions: 1,380 Mb ( $\approx 10\%$ ) of the v1.0 assembly

## Caution:

- **Between 5-10% of the genes in v2.0 may be incorrect**
- **Some correct genes in v1.0 became pseudogenes in v2.0**
- **A list of all of the changed regions is being prepared and will be released shortly**
- **Mingcheng Luo and Fred Choulet are working to resolve all errors in v2.0**



# IWGSC-Arbor Biosciences Collaboration

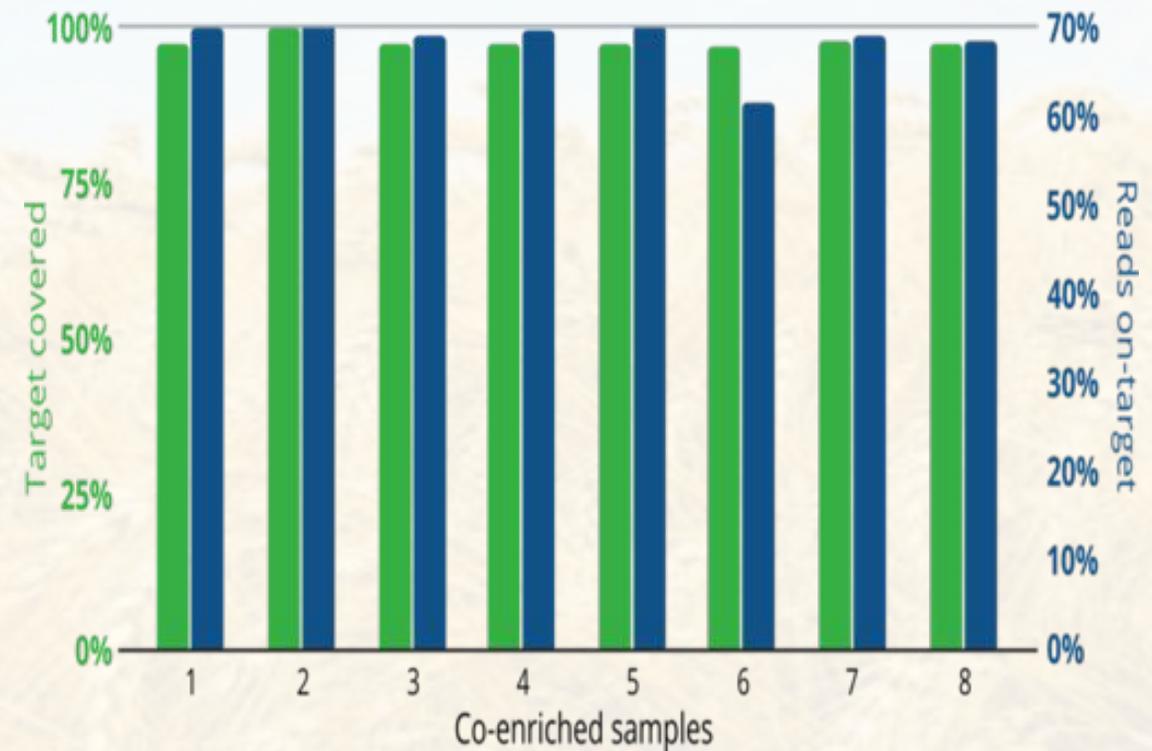
## IWGSC Collaboration with Arbor Biosciences

- Based on Chinese Spring (Hexaploid)
- Compatible with other cultivars
- Focused on High Confidence Exons
- 200 Mb of 17 Gbp Genome
- 30x Coverage with 18 Gb Sequencing



## myBaits Wheat Exome v1

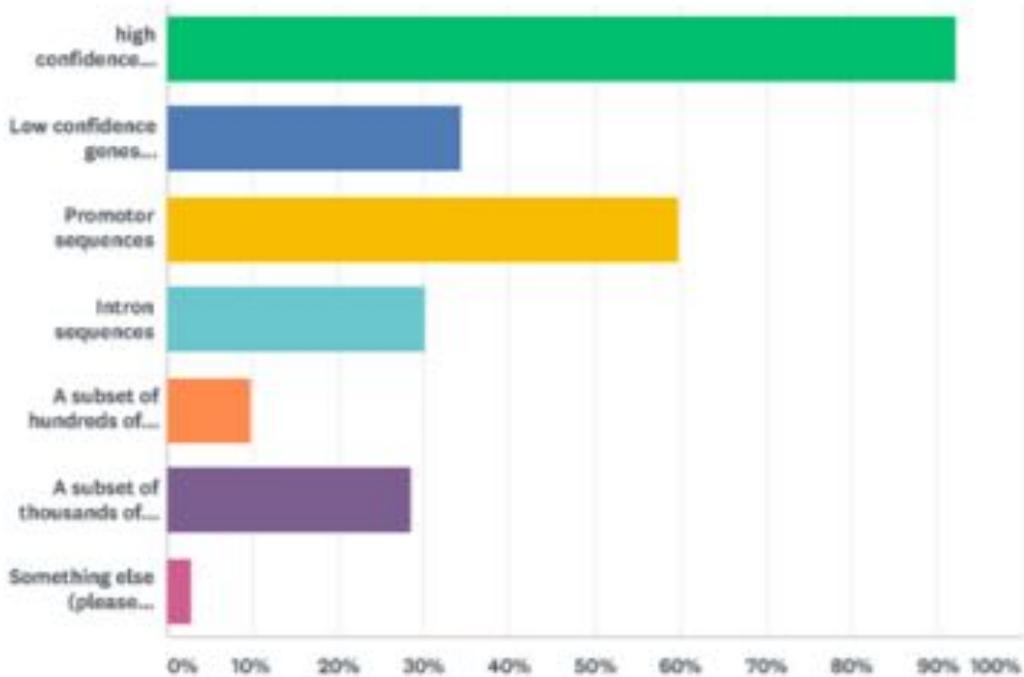
- Various Kit Sizes
  - 8, 48, 96 reaction kit sizes
  - Reaction sufficient for 8 pooled samples
- Services offered through myReads™
- New Modules Coming Soon
  - Low-confidence annotations
  - Promoter regions



# IWGSC-Arbor Biosciences Expanded Collaboration

Q2 What components of a wheat exome capture would be valuable for your work?

Answered: 102 Skipped: 3



Promoter Capture Project Leaders



Jorge Dubcovsky



Etienne Paux



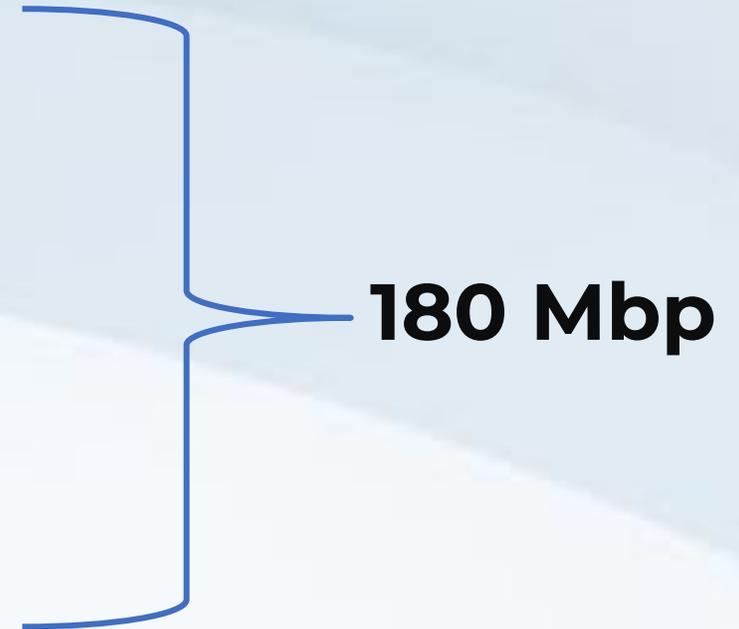
# Promoter capture composition

Development is accelerated



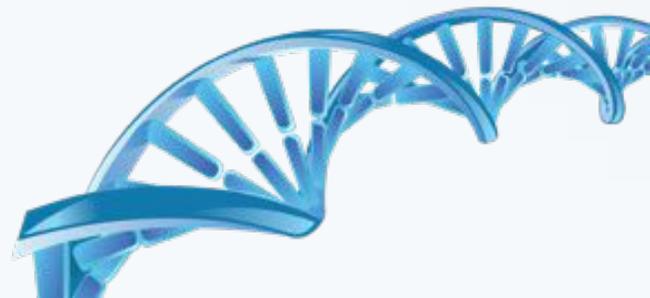
## Putative promoter regions

- + Existing capture performance data
- + ATAC-seq-identified regions
- kmer-based repeat filtration

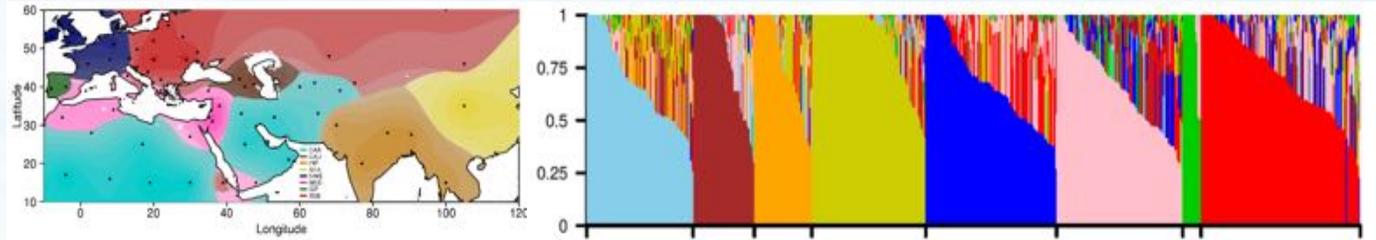


***Synthesis starts in February***

Slide provided by Jacob Enk



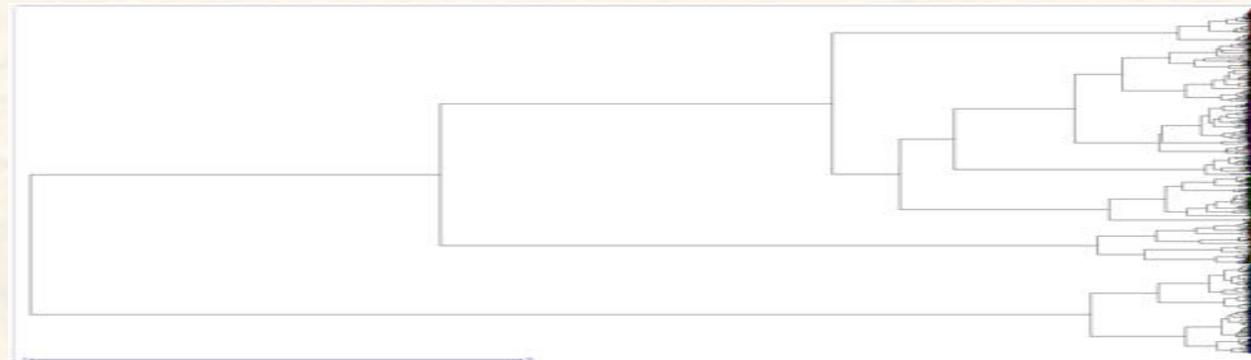
# Towards an IWGSC Wheat Diversity Panel



Platinum quality sequences and assemblies of **Eight landraces**  
with less than 1% admixture

→ describe ancient wheat haplotypes

+



**Additional lines** (including elite varieties) @ 30-40X

→ describe the modern genetic diversity (including alien introgressions)

Courtesy of Etienne Paux



# IWGSC Manual & Functional Annotation

- ▶ Release of annotation v2.0
- ▶ Exploration of artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) tools for functional annotation of the wheat genome
  - ✓ IWGSC-BASF project will be developed to explore deep learning (DL) as a means of accelerating functional annotation of IWGSC RefSeq (Xi Wang & Kellye Eversole leading)
  - ✓ Working with Tanya Berardini to use ML (natural language processing – NLP) to automate literature curation for wheat gene function



# IWGSC Pre-Publication Access to Additional Sequences & Data

- ▶ We will be releasing the sequence of an elite Turkish variety and exome data in June 2020
- ▶ Encourage all scientists to make genome sequences and data available under the Toronto protocol through the IWGSC repository at URGI



# IWGSC RefSeq Data Access & Availability

<https://wheat-urgi.versailles.inra.fr/Seq-Repository/>



## All data available at URGI

- IWGSC RefSeq assembly v1.0
- IWGSC RefSeq assembly v2.0 (under Toronto protocol)
- IWGSC RefSeq annotation v1.1 including genes and RNAseq mapping
- IWGSC RefSeq annotation v1.0 including structural annotation (genes, transposable elements, ncRNAs), functional annotation, RH maps, GBS maps, optical maps)
- Physical maps for all chromosomes
- MTP BAC WGP™ sequence tags for all chromosomes, except 3B

***Non-Toronto Protocol Data also available at Ensembl Plants, NCBI and GrainGenes***



# IWGSC Webinars

- ▶ 22 January: Understanding abiotic stress signaling in wheat through (phospho)proteomics



- ▶ Register: <https://t.co/4VVwN5npNa?amp=1>
- ▶ Soliciting ideas for additional IWGSC Webinars on technologies or research results



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