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**A MICROSATELLITE-BASED SYSTEM FOR THE PROTECTION OF  
GRAPEVINE VARIETIES**

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## A microsatellite-based system for the protection of grapevine varieties

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- Woody, asexually multiplied
- Very old culture
- Very high number of varieties
- Two different markets: wine and table



## Sequence-Tagged Microsatellite Sites Grapevine

- Broadly used for characterization
- About 300
- GENRES 081 project



## Sequence-Tagged Microsatellite Sites GENRES 081

- 6 loci, 10 laboratories
- Proposal of a standard set of alleles / varieties
- This et al. (TAG 2004)



## Selection of Microsatellites Criteria

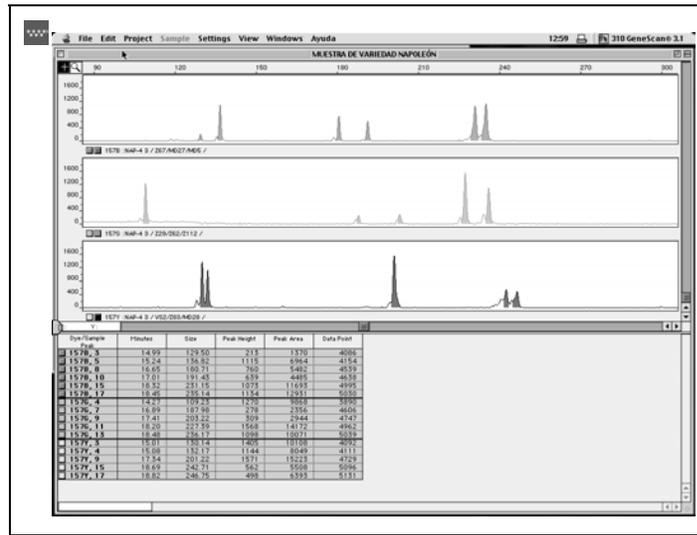
- Availability (public)
- Map position (genetically independent)
- Polymorphism (high)
- Range of amplification (that allow multiplexing)
- 'Quality' (ease of amplification and scoring, absence of known null alleles, absence of alleles differing only in 1 bp)



## Selection of Microsatellites

ZAG67	VVMD5	VVMD27
ZAG29	ZAG62	ZAG112
VVS2	ZAG83	VVMD28

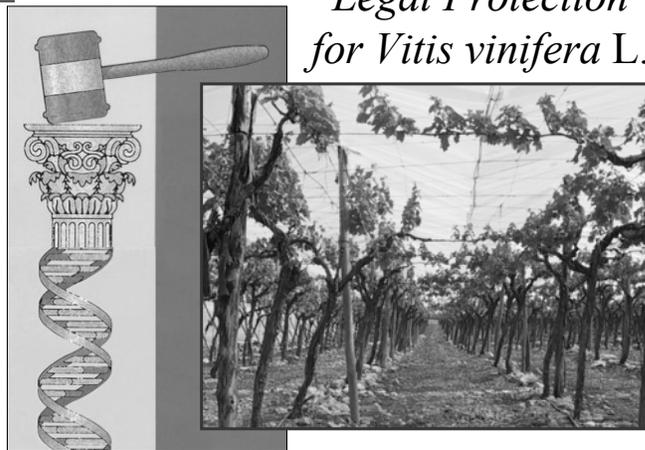
Multiplex PCR of 9 microsatellites



## Characterization of grapevines with 9 microsatellites

- More than 1,300 accessions (2 plants / accession)
- Until now, all varieties arising from different embryos have been distinguished
- Clones and sports cannot be distinguished

## *Legal Protection for Vitis vinifera L.*



(From Evett & Weir, 1998)



## Role of microsatellites in the legal Identification

- Non protected varieties:
  - Mistakes and frauds from nurseries
  - Authorized by Origin Denomination Councils
  - List of commercial varieties
- Protected varieties:
  - Identification of illegal plants
  - Identification of EDVs



## Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection

- DUS tests: Rapid screening against the reference collection (previous to the morphological exam?)
- Faster resolution to the objections to applications.



## Role of microsatellites in the legal Identification

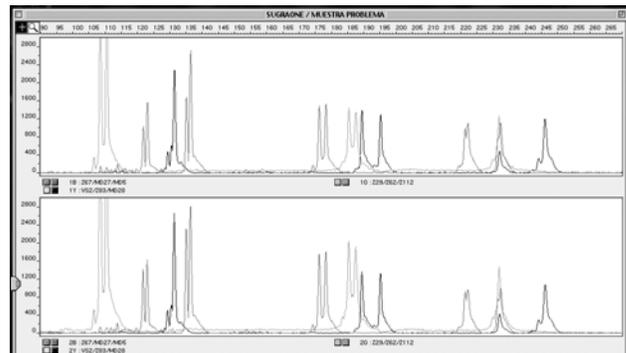
Forensic approach:

- Database of a Reference collection
- Analysis of microsatellites in the sample
- Mathematical analysis of the match (if proceed)

## Database (9 Microsatélites)

- ❖ World seedless table grape collection (45 varieties).
- ❖ World table grape collection (267 varieties).
- ❖ Spanish wine grape collection (96 varieties).
- ❖ All the varieties can be distinguished unequivocally.

## Identity analysis



## Likelihood ratio

$$LR = \frac{P(R / V)}{P(R / NV)}$$

P(R/V): probability of the match if the sample belongs to the variety.

P(R/NV): probability of the match if the sample does NOT belong to the variety.



## Identity analysis

- ❖ 6 microsatellites. LR = 1 in 87.000
- ❖ 9 microsatellites. LR = 1 in 156.000.000



## Role of microsatellites in the legal Identification

Grapevine protected variety

Total Identity  
9 Microsatellites

Variety   EDV   Clone   Synonym

Morphologically Distinct?  
Reversal of the burden of proof



## Role of microsatellites in the legal Identification

2 or more different alleles  
9 Microsatellites

Different Variety

Role of microsatellites in the legal Identification

1 different allele  
9 Microsatellites

Analyze more microsatellites

Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection

Evaluation of microsatellites markers for:

- ❖ Distinction
- ❖ Uniformity
- ❖ Stability



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**Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction**

Difference:

- Consistent
- Clear

→ MINIMUM DISTANCE

**Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction**

- Lower number of different alleles between varieties
- Higher number of different alleles within varieties

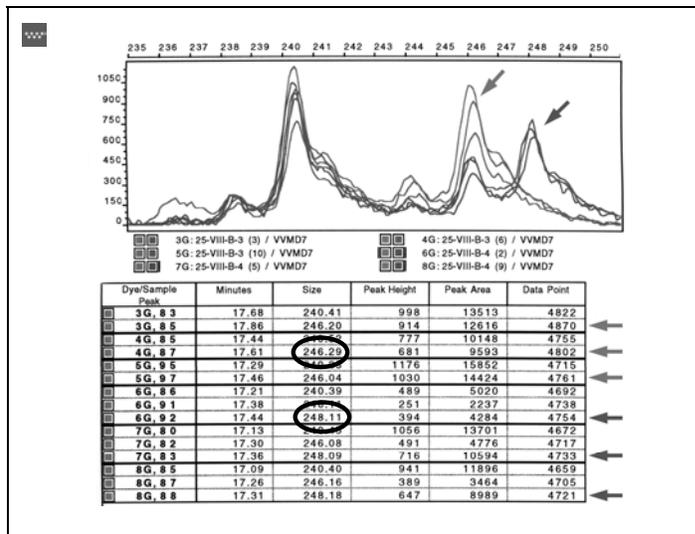
→ MINIMUM DISTANCE

**Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction**

- Lower number of different alleles between varieties
  - Spanish wine varieties (96): 4 alleles
  - World seedless table grape varieties (45): 3 alleles (including parents, progenies, half-sibs, full-sibs, etc.)
  - World table grape varieties (267): 2 alleles (including parents, progenies, half-sibs, full-sibs, etc.)

## Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction

- Higher number of different alleles within varieties



## Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction

- Higher number of different alleles within varieties
  - Pinot meunier (1 allele in VVS2, chimerism)
  - Greco di Tufo (1 allele in VVS2)
  - Chasselas (1 allele in ZAG83)
  - Mutation rate in grapevine per microsatellite and plant:  $8 \times 10^{-5}$

Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction

- Lower number of different alleles between varieties
- Higher number of different alleles within varieties

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1  
MINIMUM DISTANCE  
2

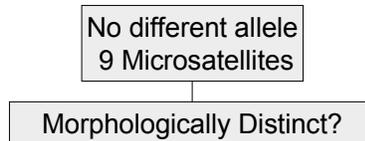
Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction

2 different alleles  
9 Microsatellites  
Distinct Variety

Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction

1 different allele  
9 Microsatellites  
Analyze more microsatellites

## Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection: Distinction



## Possible role of microsatellites in the legal Protection

Evaluation of microsatellites markers for:

- ❖ Distinction
- ❖ Uniformity
- ❖ Stability



## Evaluation of 9 microsatellites for Uniformity and Stability

### **Project VIN01-025 (2002/2004)**

- 9 microsatellites and 19 varieties (wine and table)
- Plant material from Spain, Europe, Africa and America
- About 4,000 plants

## Evaluation of 9 microsatellites for Uniformity and Stability

- Uniformity:
  - 3 plantations / variety
  - 50 plants / plantation
- Present DUS tests in grapevine: 10 plants (1 off-type allowed)

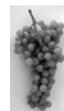


## Evaluation of 9 microsatellites for Uniformity and Stability

- Stability:
  - 10 plantations / variety
  - 5 plants / plantation
- Different plantations are probably in different cycles of propagation

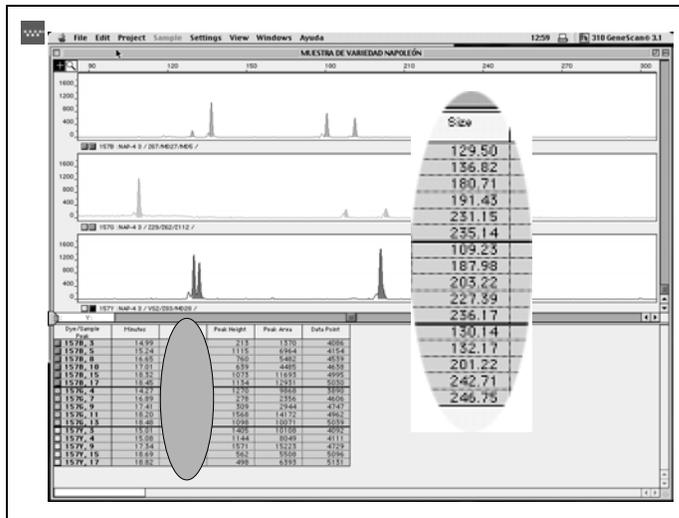


NAME OF VARIETY	USE	COLOR	SEEDS	N° PLANTS
CARDINAL	T	N	Y	86
CRIMSON SEEDLESS	T	N	N	150
FLAME SEEDLESS	T	N	N	92
ITALIA	T	B	Y	184
NAPOLEON	T	N	Y	192
OHANES	T	B	Y	138
RED GLOBE	T	N	Y	181
SUGRAONE	T	B	N	185
THOMPSON SEEDLESS	T	B	N	97
AIREN	W	B	Y	185
CABERNET SAUVIGNON	W	N	Y	185
CHARDONNAY	W	B	Y	185
GARNACHA	W	N	Y	150
MERLOT	W	N	Y	135*
MONASTRELL	W	N	Y	125*
MUSCAT D'ALEXANDRIA	T/W	B	Y	78*
PALOMINO FINO	W	B	Y	173
SAUVIGNON BLANC	W	B	Y	182*
TEMPRANILLO	W	N	Y	183*



## Plant Material

VARIETY	Nº PLANTS	RANGE YEAR PLANTATION	COLLECTING COUNTRIES
NAPOLEÓN	192	(1800-1997)	Spain
SUGRAONE	185	(1987-2000)	Chile, South Africa, and Spain
CHARDONNAY	185	(1988-2000)	Chile, Hungary, Germany, South Africa, and Spain
CABERNET SAUVIGNON	185	(1965-2001)	Chile, Hungary, Germany, South Africa, and Spain



**Analysis of GENESCAN values for  
Napoleón**

	Z67		MD27		MD5		Z29		Z62	
AVERAGE	129,45	136,73	180,68	191,36	231,11	235,16	109,16	0	188,01	203,30
DIFFERENCE (max-min)	0,49	0,43	0,98	0,59	0,69	0,74	0,99	0	0,85	0,43
STANDARD DEVIATION	0,1227	0,1081	0,1208	0,1141	0,1289	0,1325	0,1539	0	0,1272	0,0892

	Z112		VS2		Z83		MD28	
AVERAGE	227,46	236,18	130,05	132,09	201,28	0	242,69	246,70
DIFFERENCE (max-min)	0,52	0,58	0,62	0,66	0,32	0	0,73	0,84
STANDARD DEVIATION	0,0836	0,0847	0,1404	0,1396	0,0553	0	0,1421	0,1469

**Analysis of GENESCAN values for  
Sugraone**

	Z67		MD27		MD5		Z29		Z62	
AVERAGE	123,55	136,81	176,69	178,77	222,68	232,74	109,09	111,04	185,69	187,81
DIFFERENCE (max-min)	0,30	0,30	0,47	0,51	0,47	0,90	0,67	0,61	0,48	0,50
STANDARD DEVIATION	0,0664	0,0632	0,094	0,1154	0,08	0,1813	0,1438	0,1369	0,1093	0,1149

	Z112		VS2		Z83		MD28	
AVERAGE	232,18	0	115,41	131,99	189,59	195,33	246,45	0
DIFFERENCE (max-min)	0,82	0	0,56	0,46	0,41	0,28	0,96	0
STANDARD DEVIATION	0,0770	0	0,1090	0,0863	0,072	0,0518	0,1703	0

**Analysis of GENESCAN values for  
Chardonnay**

	Z67		MD27		MD5		Z29		Z62	
AVERAGE	136,68	150,49	178,64	186,37	230,92	234,94	108,81	0	187,84	195,32
DIFFERENCE (max-min)	0,56	0,62	0,57	0,57	0,68	0,58	0,57	0	0,63	0,58
STANDARD DEVIATION	0,091	0,0945	0,1055	0,0969	0,1148	0,1152	0,1109	0	0,1257	0,1051

	Z112		VS2		Z83		MD28	
AVERAGE	238,04	0	133,87	140,17	186,66	201,36	216,40	226,5
DIFFERENCE (max-min)	0,51	0	0,63	0,67	0,36	0,51	0,68	0,77
STANDARD DEVIATION	0,0716	0	0,1184	0,118	0,0701	0,0612	0,1314	0,1249

### Analysis of GENESCAN values for Cabernet sauvignon

	Z67		MD27		MD5		Z29		Z62	
AVERAGE	123,36	136,72	172,55	186,24	228,17	236,26	108,64	0	187,67	193,45
DIFFERENCE (max-min)	0,65	0,48	0,99	0,85	●	●	0,98	0	0,92	0,80
STANDARD DEVIATION	0,1206	0,1074	0,2490	0,2057	0,4694	0,5282	0,2504	0	0,2290	0,1753

	Z112		VS2		Z83		MD28	
AVERAGE	227,37	232,14	135,78	148,96	201,33	0	232,45	234,44
DIFFERENCE (max-min)	0,56	0,56	●	●	0,38	0	0,98	0,93
STANDARD DEVIATION	0,0951	0,1082	0,2134	0,247	0,0573	0	0,2467	0,2435

### Differences in Cabernet sauvignon

Differences in VVMD5 and VVS2 :

**¿Mutation or technical artefact?**

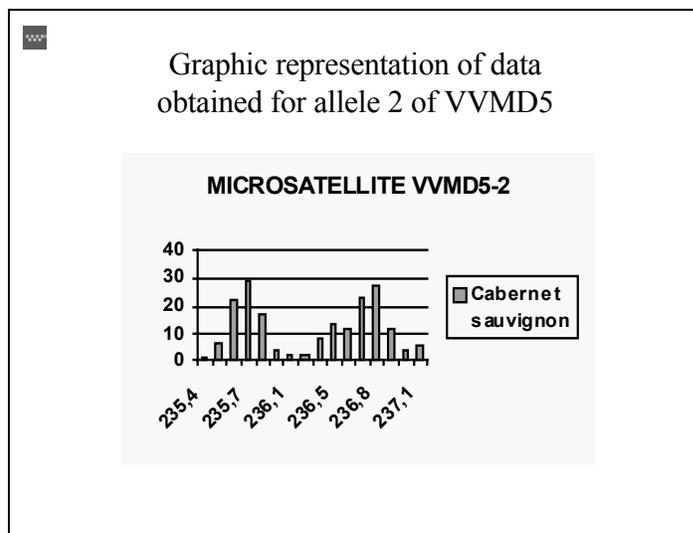
Mutation

Technical Artefact

Lack of stability

'+A' Peaks (Taq)

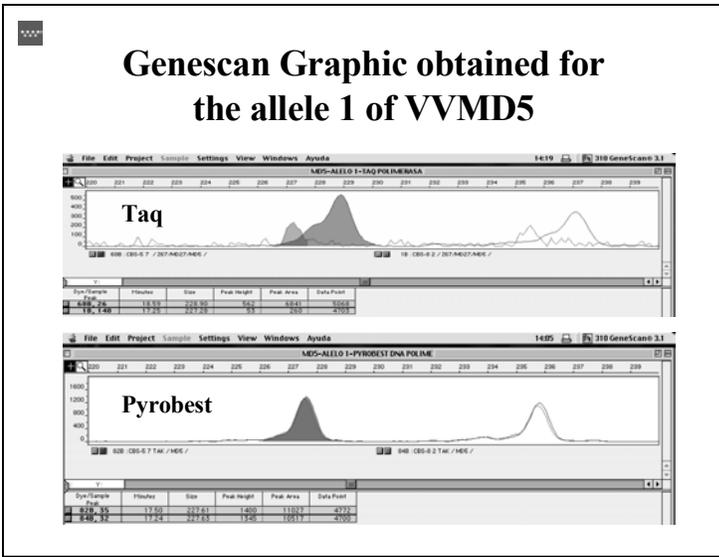
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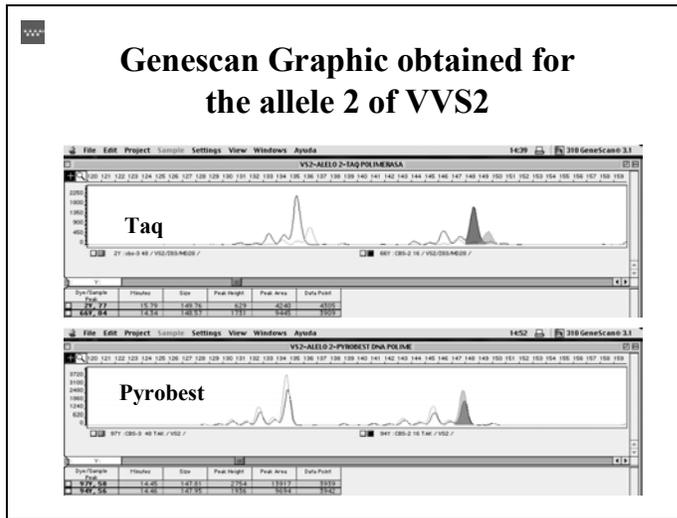
Data obtained for allele 1 of VVS2

135,47	135,52	135,57	135,64	135,68	135,82	135,88	135,93	136,00	136,19
135,48	135,52	135,58	135,64	135,68	135,82	135,89	135,93	136,01	136,20
135,48	135,52	135,58	135,65	135,69	135,82	135,89	135,93	136,02	136,21
135,49	135,52	135,59	135,65	135,71	135,83	135,89	135,94	136,03	136,38
135,50	135,52	135,59	135,65	135,71	135,83	135,89	135,94	136,06	136,53
135,50	135,52	135,61	135,65	135,72	135,84	135,89	135,94	136,07	
135,50	135,52	135,62	135,66	135,72	135,84	135,90	135,95	136,07	
135,50	135,52	135,62	135,66	135,72	135,85	135,90	135,97	136,07	
135,50	135,53	135,62	135,66	135,73	135,86	135,90	135,97	136,07	
135,50	135,53	135,62	135,66	135,74	135,86	135,91	135,97	136,10	
135,50	135,53	135,62	135,66	135,76	135,86	135,91	135,97	136,11	
135,50	135,53	135,63	135,66	135,76	135,86	135,91	135,97	136,11	
135,50	135,53	135,63	135,66	135,76	135,87	135,91	135,98	136,11	
135,51	135,53	135,63	135,66	135,77	135,87	135,92	135,98	136,13	
135,51	135,53	135,63	135,66	135,78	135,87	135,92	135,98	136,13	
135,51	135,53	135,63	135,66	135,78	135,88	135,92	135,98	136,14	
135,51	135,53	135,63	135,67	135,78	135,88	135,92	135,99	136,14	
135,51	135,54	135,64	135,67	135,78	135,88	135,92	136,00	136,17	
135,51	135,54	135,64	135,67	135,80	135,88	135,93	136,00	136,18	
135,51	135,56	135,64	135,67	135,81	135,88	135,93	136,00	136,18	

- Differences in Cabernet  
sauvignon
- Repetition in the same conditions, using Taq polymerase
  - Check using Pyrobest DNA polymerase (proof reading activity, no nucleotidil-transferase activity: no '+A' peaks)



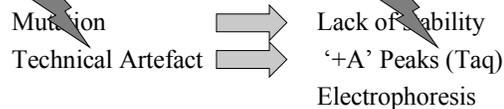
## Genescan Graphic obtained for the allele 2 of VVS2



## Differences in Cabernet sauvignon

Differences in VVMD5 and VVS2 :

¿Mutation or technical artefact?



## Conclusions based on present data

- Distinction: Minimum distance: 2 alleles
- Uniformity and stability: no additional efforts for breeders
- Inclusion in the Test Guidelines for Grapevine (TG/50/8)

**A microsatellite-based system for the protection of grapevine varieties**



Thank you for your attention

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