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Bacterial Blight Quantitative Resistance in Rice (*Oryza sativa L.*)



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Abstract

Bacterial blight disease, caused by *Xanthomonas oryzae* pv. *oryzae* (*Xoo*), is one of the most serious diseases in rice producing areas. The durable and broad resistance of plants was found to be usually governed by multiple genes or quantitative trait loci (QTLs). The quantitative trait loci were mapped for bacterial blight resistance in rice by various researchers almost on all chromosomes. QTLs mapped will facilitate the isolation of novel Bacterial blight resistance genes and their utilization in rice resistance breeding through marker-assisted selection.

Introduction

The Bacterial leaf blight caused by *Xanthomonas oryzae* pv. *oryzae* (*Xoo*) [1,2] is one of the most destructive diseases of rice throughout the world [3]. The presence of complete resistance and partial resistance to *Xanthomonas oryzae* pv. *oryzae* in rice has been reported [4,5]. The resistance of rice to specific *Xanthomonas oryzae* pv. *oryzae* races is governed by both major R genes with a qualitative effect that condition complete resistance (CR) and polygenes with a quantitative effect

(quantitative trait loci, QTL) that condition partial resistance (PR) [6,7]. The durable and broad resistance of plants was found to be usually governed by multiple genes or quantitative trait loci (QTLs) [8].

Quantitative Trait Loci

The Quantitative Trait Loci were mapped for bacterial blight resistance in rice by many researchers using various mapping population [7,9-13] shown in Table 1.

Table 1: QTLs mapped using various population using Xoo strains in rice.

Xoo Strains	Origin	QTL Localization Chromosome	QTL Name	LOD Score	Closely Linked Marker/ Interval	Additive Effect	PVE (%)	References
MAI1	Mali	1	<i>qABB-1</i>	5.068	RM129	1.7	13.4	Djedatin et al. [13]
		7	<i>qABB-7</i>	16.006	RM125	3.2	36.6	
		11	<i>qABB-11</i>	4.666	RM144	1.5	12.4	
BAI4	Burkina Faso	7	<i>qABB-7</i>	13.943	RM125	3.5	33.4	
		11	<i>qABB-11</i>	4.68	RM144	1.8	12.8	
BAI3	Burkina Faso	11	<i>qABB-11</i>	5.728	RM144	2.5	15.3	
NAI8	Niger	9	<i>qABB-9</i>	4.359	RM242	2.3	12.9	
		10	<i>qABB-10</i>	3.606	RM294A	-2.23	10.8	
		11	<i>qABB-11</i>	6.03	RM144	2.7	17.4	
PX086	Philippines	5	<i>qBB-5</i>	4.209	RM440	-1.68	11.5	
		8	<i>qBB-8-2</i>	4.957	RM281	-2.16	13.4	
		12	<i>qBB-12</i>	4.869	RM512	1.9	13.2	
PX061	Philippines	4	<i>qBB-4</i>	3.403	RM252	-1.7	10	
		11	<i>qABB-11</i>	36.78	RM144	7.3	67.9	

XF89b	Taiwanese	6	<i>qBBR06.1</i>	13.2	RM6395-RM412	-1.13	9.58	Tseng et al. [12]
		8	<i>qBBR08.1</i>	15.04	RM1376-RM8020	-1.2	11.04	
		11	<i>qBBR11.1</i>	26.6	RM27051-ID111102	-1.64	21.1	
P2(PX086), P3(PX079), P4(PX071), P5(PX0112), P6 (PX099), P7 (PX0280), P8 (PX0145), P9 (PX087), P10(PX0124) and C4(ZHE173)	Philippines/ China	1	<i>qBBR1</i>	10.1	RM128	4.89	21.5	Han et al. [11]
		3	<i>qBBR3</i>	6.2	R03D158	3.73	12.3	
		5	<i>qBBR5</i>	17.8	RM6972	7.36	39.2	
PX0611 (race 1), PX085 (race 2), PX079 (race 3), PX071 (race 4), PX0112 (race5), PX099 (race 6) PX0145 (race 7), PX0280 (race 8), PX0339 (race 9) and PX0341 (race 10)	Philippines	1	<i>QBbr1a</i>	4.56	RM84			Li et al. [7]
		1	<i>QBbr1b</i>	6.06	RM23			
		1	<i>QBbr1c</i>	1.97	RG381			
		1	<i>QBbr1d</i>	5.43	RM104			
		2	<i>QBbr2a</i>	3.7	RM211			
		2	<i>QBbr2b</i>	4.95	RM27			
		2	<i>QBbr2c</i>	2.85	RG654			
		3	<i>QBbr3a</i>	1.98	RG100			
		3	<i>QBbr3b</i>	3.66	RM282			
		3	<i>QBbr3c</i>	3	RM16			
		3	<i>QBbr3d</i>	2.45	RZ337A			
		3	<i>QBbr3e</i>	2.93	RZ448			
		3	<i>QBbr3f</i>	5.64	RM227			
		4	<i>QBbr4a</i>		RM307			
		4	<i>QBbr4b</i>	2.26	RM252			
		4	<i>QBbr4c</i>	4.74	RM317			
		4	<i>QBbr4d</i>	4.49	RG143			
		5	<i>QBbr5a</i>		RG556			
		5	<i>QBbr5b</i>	6.7	RM163			
		5	<i>QBbr5c</i>	4.77	RZ70			
		6	<i>QBbr6a</i>		RM3			
		6	<i>QBbr6b</i>	3.7	RG433			
		7	<i>QBbr7a</i>		RG769			
		7	<i>QBbr7b</i>	4.5	RM234			
		7	<i>QBbr7c</i>	4.58	RZ978			
		8	<i>QBbr8a</i>	2.9	RZ143			
		8	<i>QBbr8b</i>	3.51	RM223			
		9	<i>QBbr9a</i>	2.56	RZ422			
		9	<i>QBbr9b</i>	5.54	RZ12			
		9	<i>QBbr9c</i>	3.11	RM215			
		10	<i>QBbr10</i>	5.04	RM228			
		11	<i>QBbr11a</i>	4.53	RZ638			
		11	<i>QBbr11b</i>	4.33	RM120			
		11	<i>QBbr11c</i>	4.59	RM21			

CR4, CX08, CR6	China	2	<i>Pi-q5,</i>		RG520/ RZ476a			Li et al. [9]
			<i>Pi-2</i>					
		3	<i>QSbr3a</i>		C515/ RG348			
		3	<i>QSbr3b</i>		RG482/ CD0795			
		4	<i>Xa1,</i>		RG214/Ph			
			<i>Xa2</i>					
		4	<i>Bph-3,</i>		RZ69/ RG190			
			<i>Glh</i>					
		8	<i>Pi-11(t)</i>		G104/ G1314a			
		9	<i>QSbr9a</i>		RG451/ RZ404			
		10	<i>QSbr10</i>		RG1094f/ C16			
		11	<i>Xa 4</i>	61.1 43.0 36.1	Xa4 (RZ536/ G2132b)		65.2 55.2 52	
		11	<i>QSbr11</i>		RG1022/ RZ525			
		12	<i>Pi-q6</i>		RG91Q/ RG341			
			<i>Pi-4(t)</i>					

Importance

The QTLs mapped will facilitate the isolation of novel Bacterial blight resistance genes and their utilization in rice resistance breeding [11]. The new information on genes and QTLs for resistance to bacterial blight will be useful for controlling the disease [13]. The molecular mapping of QTL results provide a suitable source of potential disease resistance genes and establish a system for improving rice bacterial blight resistance through marker-assisted selection [12]. The race specificity of partial resistance (PR) and its strong genetic overlap with complete resistance (CR) indicate that partial resistance (PR) is essentially "weaker" complete resistance (CR) [7]. A high level of durable resistance to *Xoo* may be achieved by the cumulative effects of multiple QTLs, including the residual effects of "defeated" major resistance genes [9].

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