

# 2011 Soybean Breeders Workshop

Summary Report for Research on  
Soybean Response to Abiotic  
Stress.

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# Iron-Deficiency Chlorosis

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IDC in  
soybean

Close-up  
pictures in  
field plots



# Iron deficiency chlorosis (IDC)

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# Iron deficiency chlorosis

## Applied research

- **Objective:** germplasm lines with improved IDC for public use.
  - Population development by single crosses
  - F4-derived lines classified by maturity are evaluated for agronomic traits and IDC on calcareous soil.

## Sources of IDC resistance

- **Germplasm releases**
  - AR2 (ISURF Docket # 033810)
  - AR3 (ISURF Docket # 033800)
  - Molecular markers for the germplasm lines

**Some data for AR2 and AR3. Data are averages of 3 years for chlorosis scores, and 1 year for seed yield**

| Genotypes  | Chlorosis scores |                 |               | Seed Yield   |
|------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
|            | <u>Ames</u>      | <u>Humboldt</u> | <u>Slater</u> | <u>Kg/Ha</u> |
|            | <u>Lines</u>     |                 |               |              |
| AR2        | 1.5              | 1.9             | 2.0           | 49.8         |
| AR3        | 1.5              | 1.9             | 1.4           | 44.9         |
|            | <u>Parents</u>   |                 |               |              |
| P9254      | 2.0              | 1.9             | 1.2           | 63.9         |
| A97-770012 | 2.1              | 2.0             |               | 51.5         |

IDC – Basic research – It is in progress, conducted to identify QTLs. Nothing to report yet.

## Future applied research for improving IDC

- Field tests will be complemented with nutrient solution screening
- Use of Additional Molecular information









# Salt Tolerance

- Pengyin Chen – University of Arkansas

# Salt Tolerance Screen



# Aluminum Tolerance

- David Lightfoot – Southern Illinois University

# Al toxicity hydroponics



# Toxicity symptoms of root growth due to Al stress

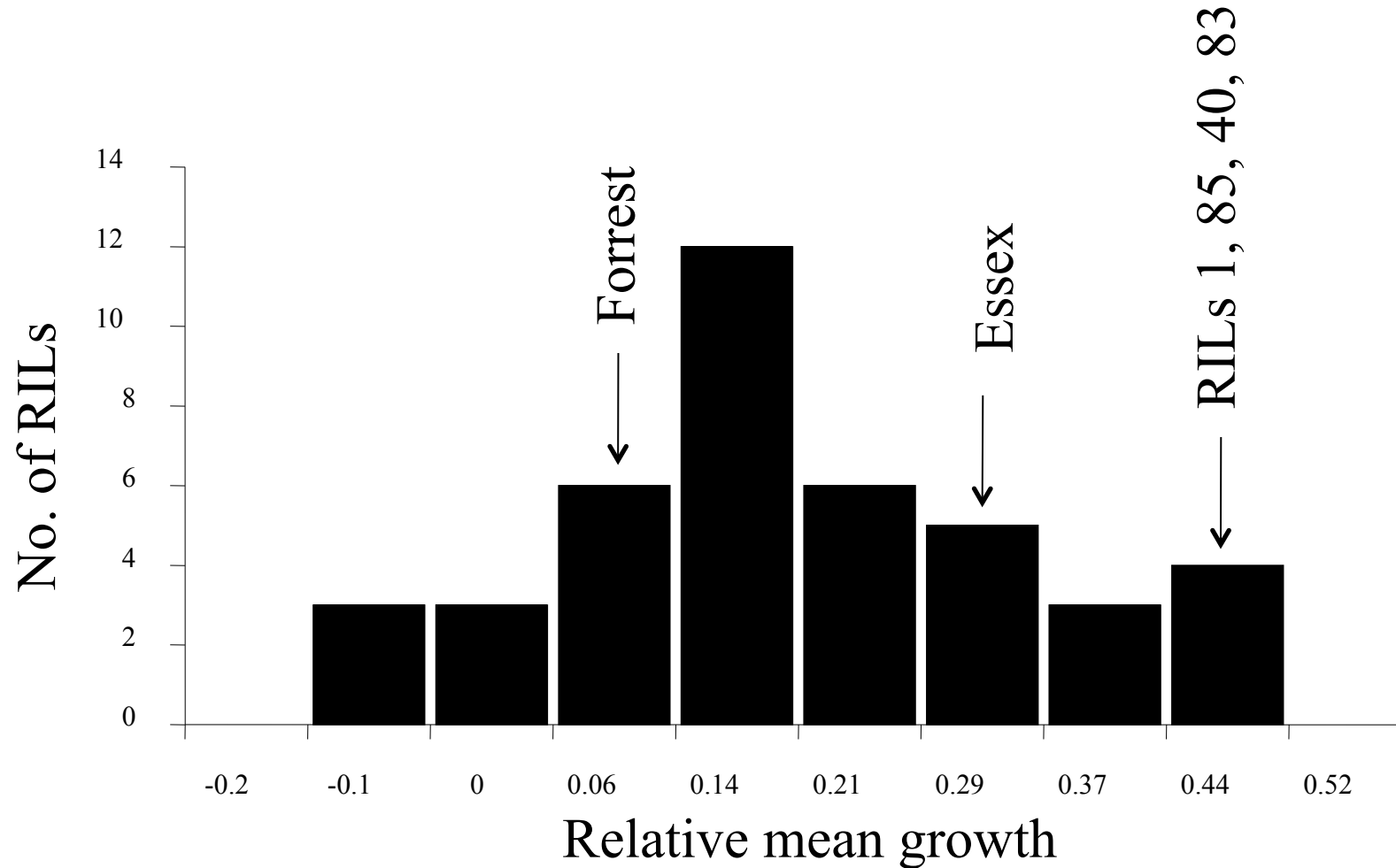


# Segregation within NILs for Resistance to Al toxicity

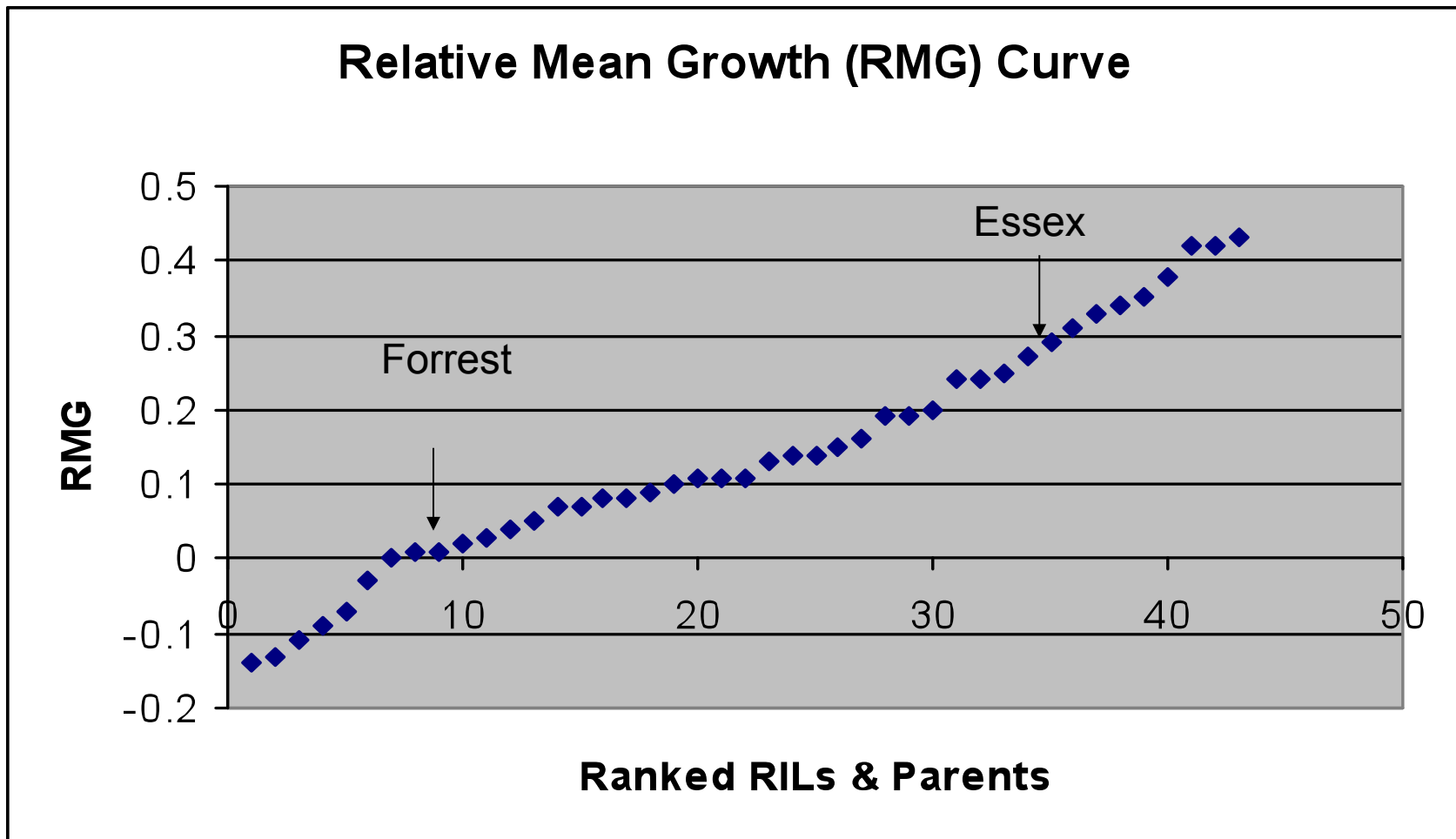




Figure 3. Trait distributions for tolerance to Al.



# Mean Root Length +AI



|            |        |
|------------|--------|
| start      | 0      |
| Sat_B15P23 | 21.1   |
| Satt520    | 42.4   |
| Satt291    | 45.8   |
| Satt305    | 69.665 |
| Satt376    | 97.8   |
| Satt363    | 98.1   |
| Satt286    | 101.8  |
| Satt277    | 107.59 |
| Satt134    | 112.8  |
| Satt319    | 113.4  |
| Satt489    | 113.4  |
| Satt079    | 117.9  |
| Satt307    | 121.3  |
| Satt202    | 126.2  |
| Satt316    | 127.7  |
| Satt371    | 145.5  |
| Satt357    | 151.9  |
| Satt371    | 145.5  |
| Satt357    | 151.9  |
| end        | 157.9  |

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# AI Toxicity Resistance has 2 Major Loci and several minor loci

|         |       |
|---------|-------|
| start   | 0     |
| Satt146 | 1.9   |
| Satt343 | 3.1   |
| Satt569 | 3.3   |
| Satt193 | 3.4   |
| CFR1    | 10.1  |
| Satt145 | 10.6  |
| Satt269 | 11.4  |
| Satt160 | 33.2  |
| Satt252 | 36.1  |
| Sat_133 | 50.8  |
| Satt510 | 71.4  |
| Satt334 | 78.1  |
| Sct188  | 85.3  |
| Satt072 | 87    |
| Satt554 | 111.9 |
| CCA19   | 135.2 |
| end     | 150.9 |

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# Heat Tolerance (heat-induced seed deterioration)

- J. Rusty Smith, USDA-ARS-CG, Stoneville, MS

# The Early Soybean Production System (ESPS) - A Heat Stress Environment

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- ❑ Consists of using early-maturing varieties planted early in the spring into fall-prepared stale seed beds.
- ❑ Often includes the use of glyphosate-resistant varieties, efficient irrigation scheduling, raised seed beds, and narrow rows.
- ❑ Is the production system of choice in the Midsouthern USA.
- ❑ Has played a significant role in improving soybean production in the Midsouth.

# Potential Problems of the ESPS

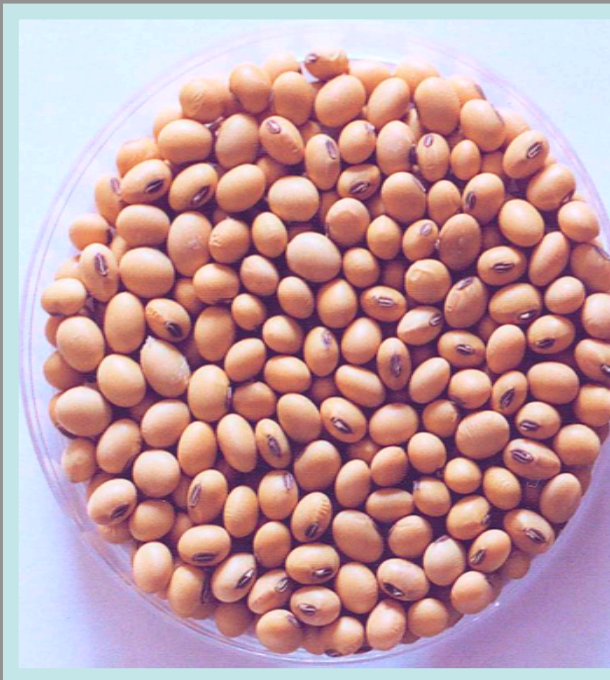
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- ❑ Seed-filling period, seed maturation, and harvest occur during the hottest time of the year.
- ❑ High temperature may negatively affect seed yield and seed quality.

# Low Germination - A Heat-Related Seed Quality Concern

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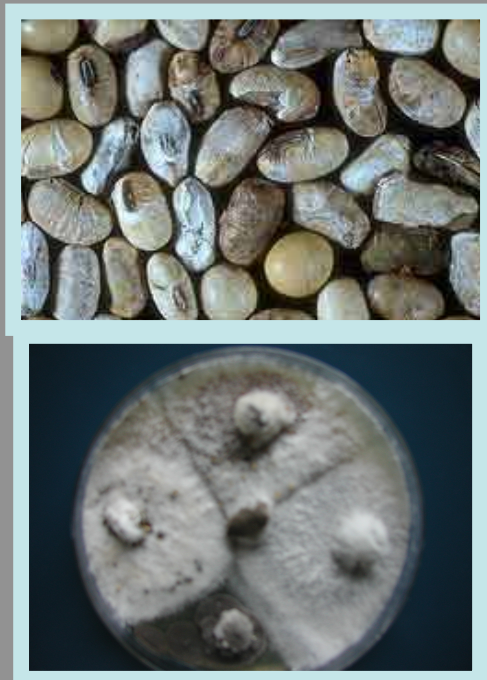
Hard Seed



Wrinkled Seed



*Phomopsis*



# Research Goal:

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- Develop and release improved germplasm with high germinability.
- Identify molecular markers linked to traits affecting high germinability.



# Identification of Soybean Accessions with High Germinability

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- ❑ 486 candidate accession (MG II-IV).
- ❑ 25 ancestral lines of U.S. cultivars.
- ❑ Cultivar checks.
- ❑ 2002-2003 Field, Greenhouse 2005.
- ❑ Standard germination, AA germination, hard seed, seed wrinkling, and *Phomopsis*.

## Standard Germination and Mean Maximum Temperature During Senescence for 486 Soybean Accessions

| MG  | No.<br>Lines | SG<br>Mean | SG<br>Range | Mean<br>Max<br>Temp.<br>R7 to R8 |
|-----|--------------|------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
|     |              | %          | %           | °F                               |
| II  | 120          | 81         | 19-93       | 93                               |
| III | 139          | 72         | 20-93       | 93                               |
| IV  | 246          | 76         | 11-93       | 93                               |

# Sample Results

| Entry       | MG  | SG | Hard Seed | Wrinkled Seed | <i>Phomopsis</i> |
|-------------|-----|----|-----------|---------------|------------------|
|             |     | %  | %         | %             | %                |
| Lincoln     | III | 51 | 2         | 35            | 28               |
| Mandarin O. | 0   | 27 | 40        | 40            | 10               |
| PI 603756   | II  | 93 | 0         | 0             | 6                |
| PI 587982A  | IV  | 92 | 0         | 0             | 0                |
| PI 597413   | II  | 30 | 34        | 40            | 54               |
| PI 227213   | II  | 29 | 34        | 75            | 22               |
| PI 416862   | III | 25 | 9         | 30            | 72               |
| PI 594619   | III | 4  | 93        | 0             | 26               |
| Stressland  | IV  | 66 | 4         | 5             | 22               |

# Flood / Water-Logging Tolerance

- Pengyin Chen – University of Arkansas

# R5 (Left) vs. R1 (Right) Flood Screen



# Field Flood Screen



# Varietal Differences



# Drought or Water Deficit Stress Tolerance

- H. Roger Boerma – University of Georgia
- Pengyin Chen – University of Arkansas
- David A. Lightfoot – Southern Illinois Univ.
- James H. Orf – University of Minnesota
- Shawn Conley – University of Wisconsin
- James E. Specht – University of Nebraska



## Locations of Fibrous Root QTL in Benning x PI 416937



# Germplasm Evaluation

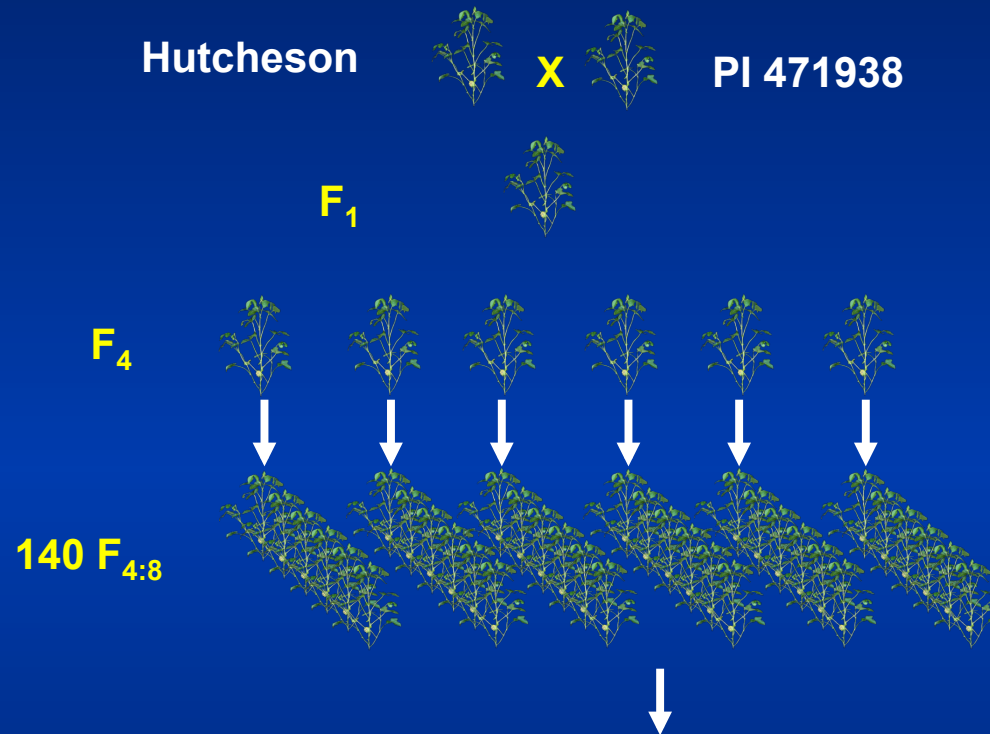


**PI471938: slow wilt canopy alleles**



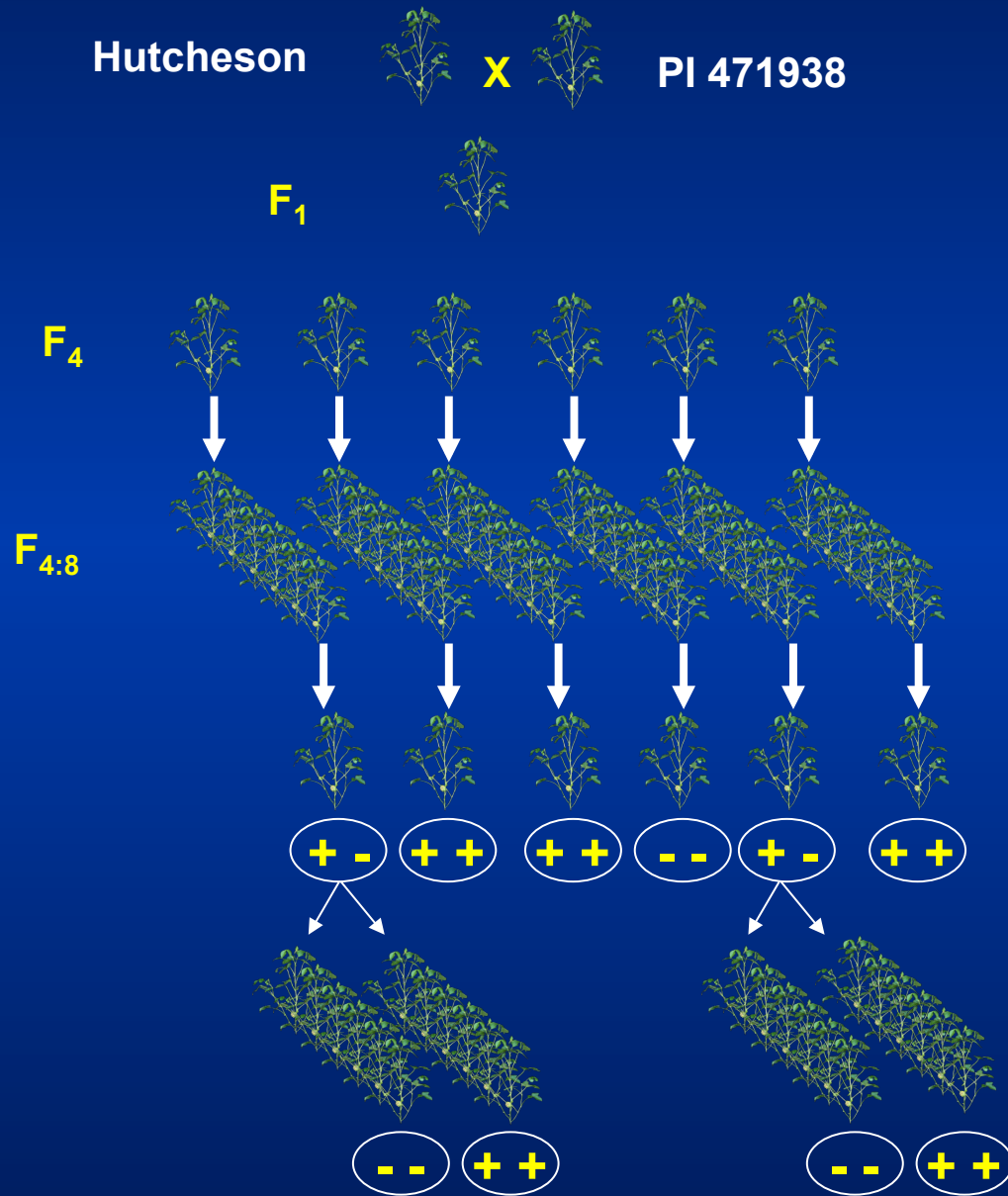
**PI416937: fibrous root alleles**

## Hutcheson x PI 471938 Mapping Population



- 14 environments (5 rain-fed and 9 irrigated environments)
- RCB design with 3 replications

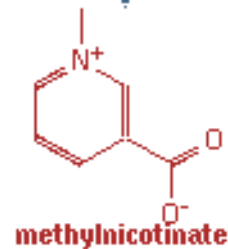
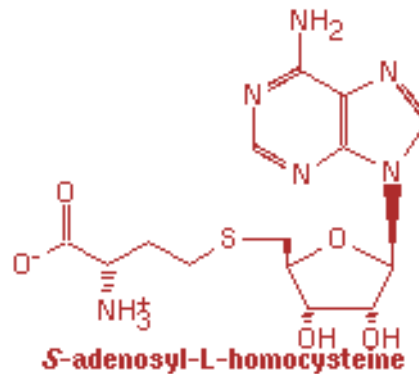
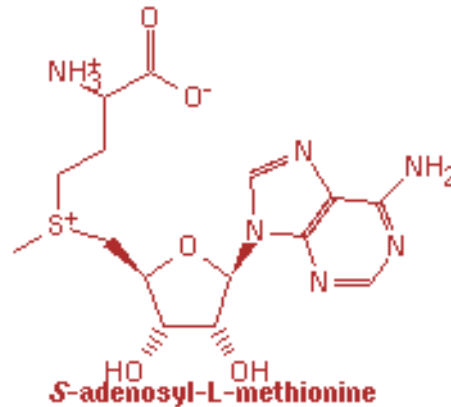
# Development of Near Isogenic Lines for QTLs on LG-D2, LG-F and LG-K



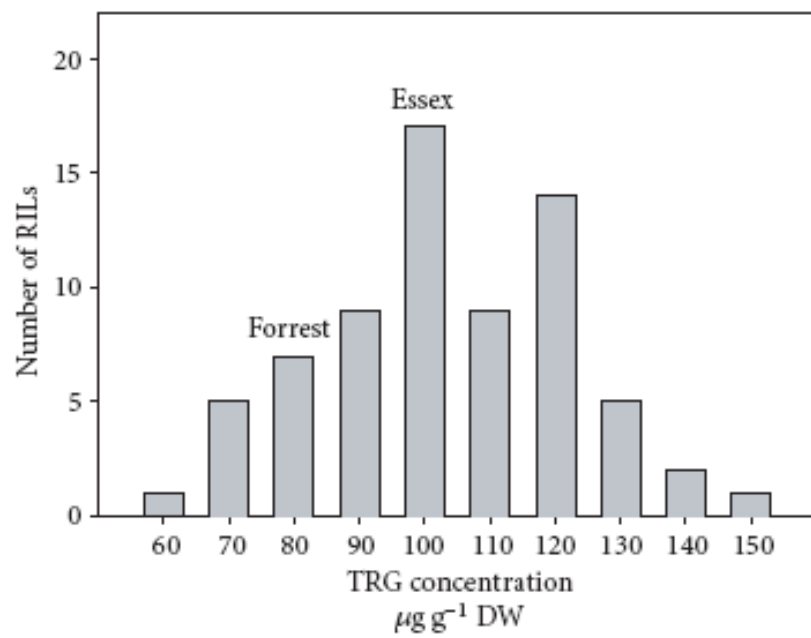
pyridine nucleotide cycling (plants) →



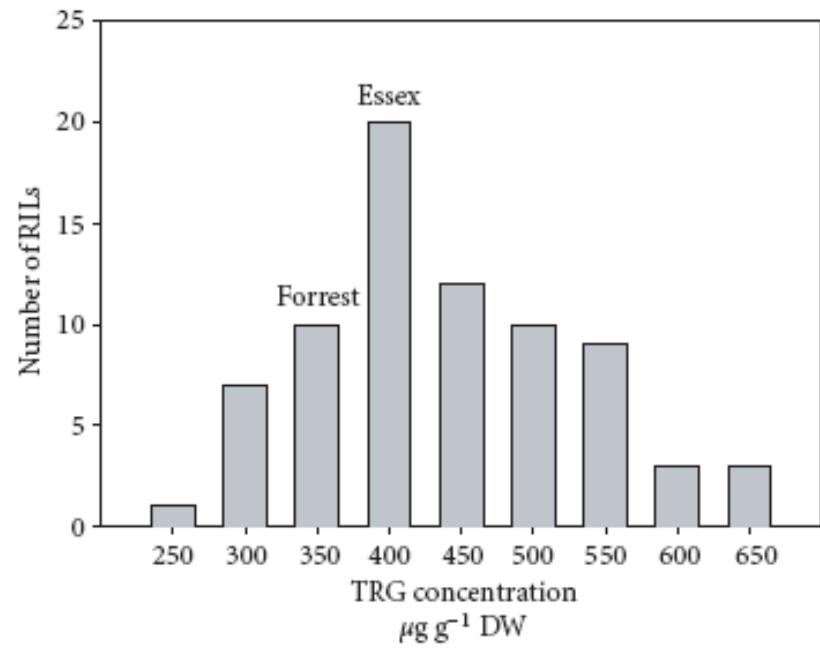
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nicotinate N-  
methyltransferase (Gm)  
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methyltransferase (Ps)  
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**Trigonelline**  
induces leaf  
movements,  
accumulates  
upon drought  
stress, acts as  
an  
osmoprotectant,  
and functions as  
a hormone  
involved in cell  
cycle control



(a)



(b)

FIGURE 1. Trigonelline (TRG) concentration and normal distribution of RILs derived from a cross of Essex with Forrest. The mean trigonelline concentration for individual parents is presented. (a) Frequency distribution of TRG estimated on the basis of fresh weight of leaf sampled at pod setting stage; (b) on the basis of dry weight of leaf.

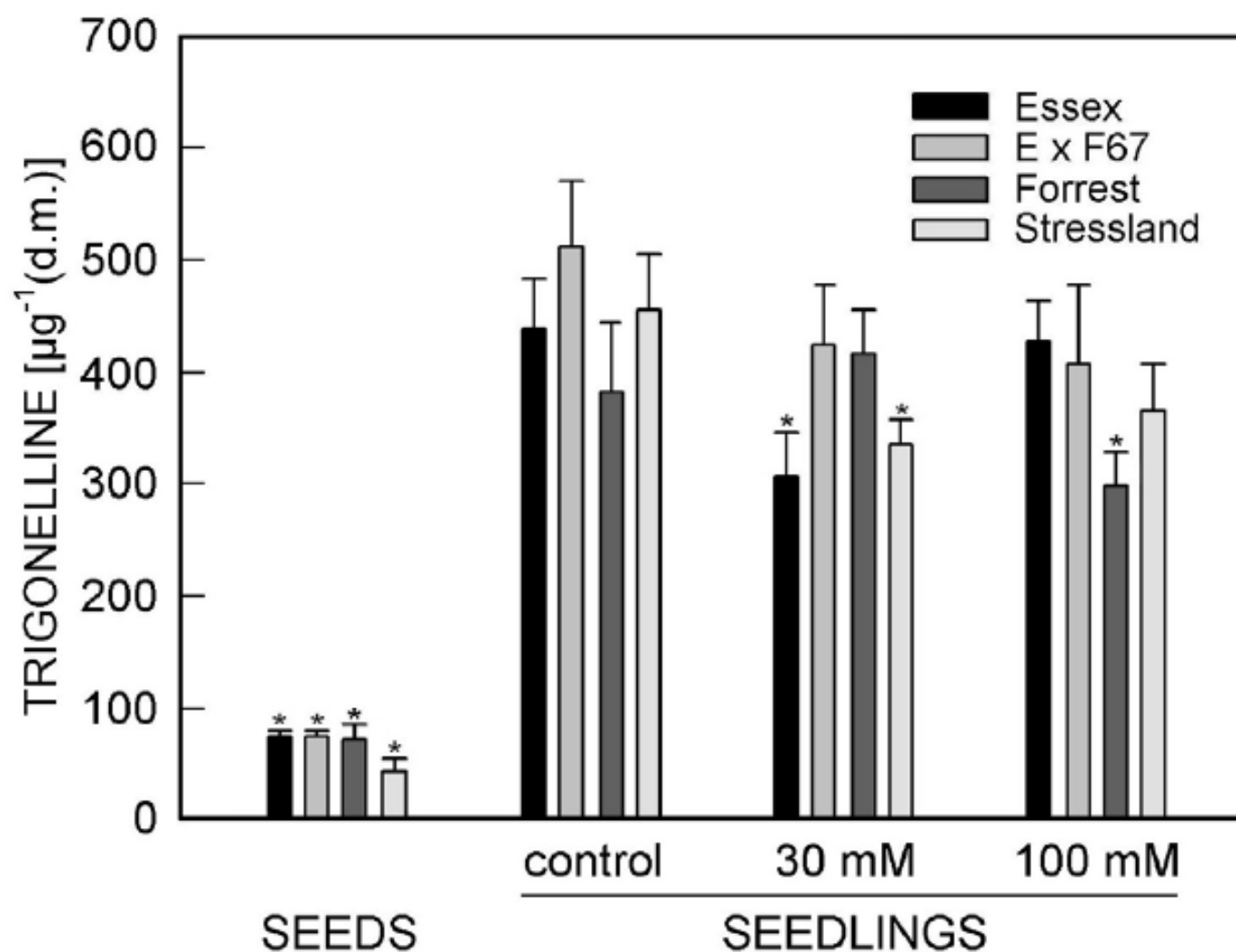


Fig. 3. Trigonelline (TRG) content in non-treated mature seeds and seedlings treated with different NaCl concentrations during germination (means  $\pm$  SE,  $n = 30$ , \* indicates significant difference at  $P < 0.05$  as compared with the control).

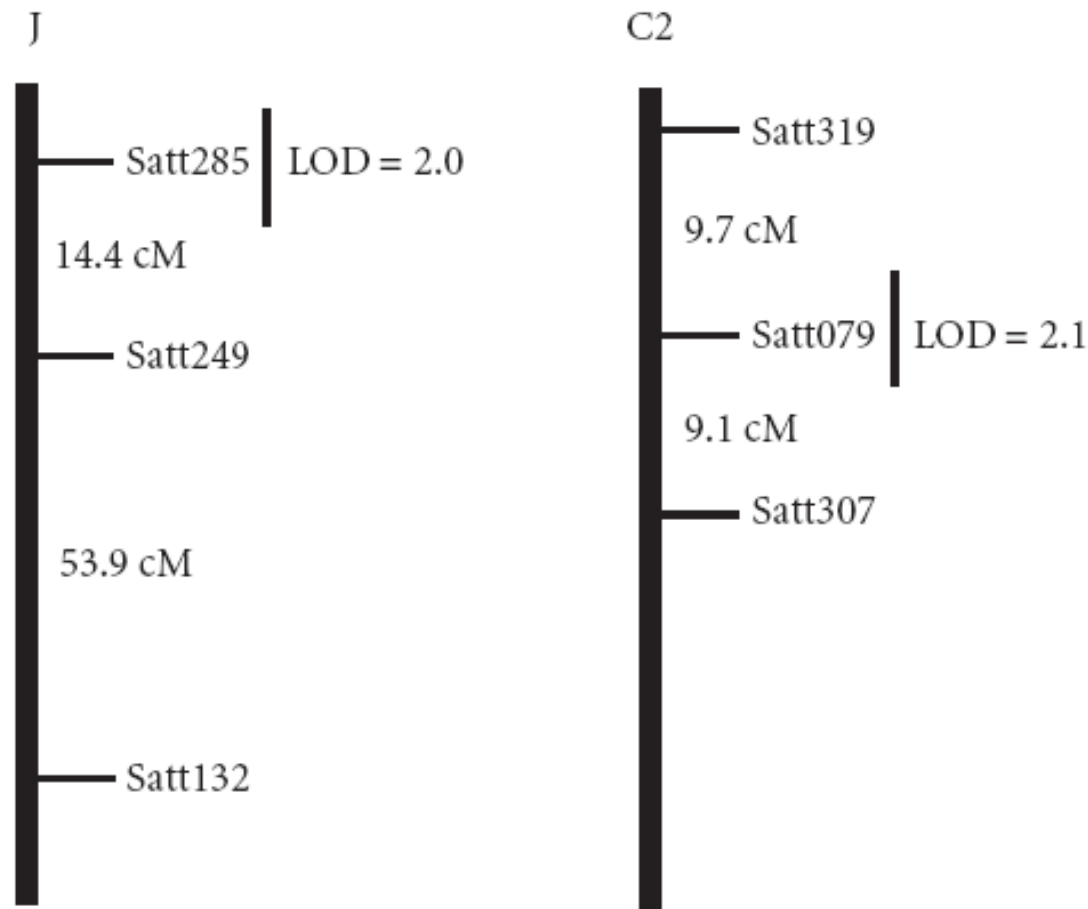


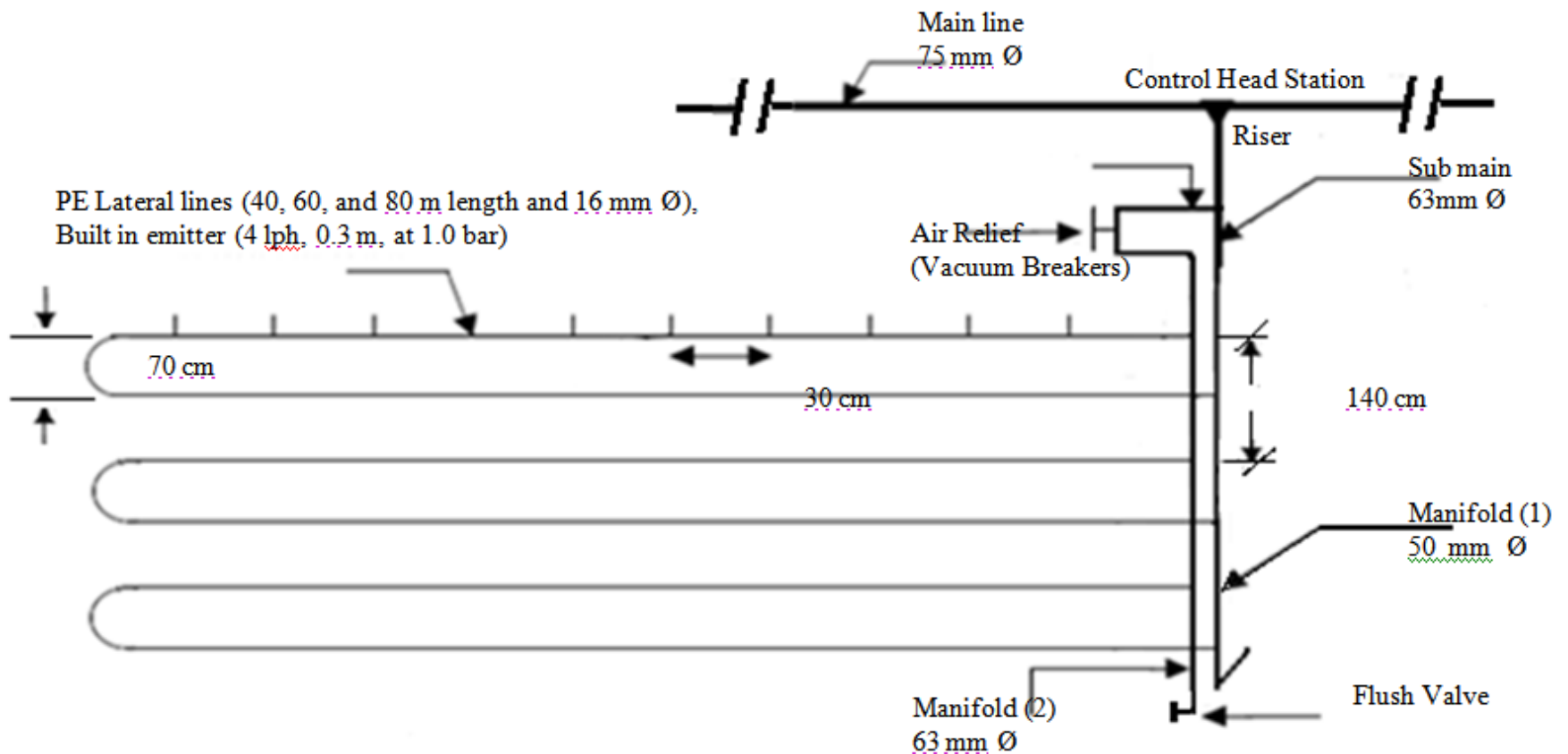
FIGURE 2. Location of microsatellite markers and three QTLs conditioning trigonelline biosynthesis in soybean grown under conventional field condition. The markers were assigned to the linkage groups C2, J, and L based on the soybean genetic linkage map [39]. END indicates the likely position of the telomere on designated linkage group. Names and distances of markers, and peak LOD score for the interval are given. The QTL LOD scores are from single locus analyses of additive gene effects using Mapmaker/QTL 1.1.



The ExF population in a dry year (2010) spreads maturity dates



# Layout of a closed circuit drip irrigation system (CM2DIS).



# Drip Irrigation Allows Water Deficit At Specific Rates All Season

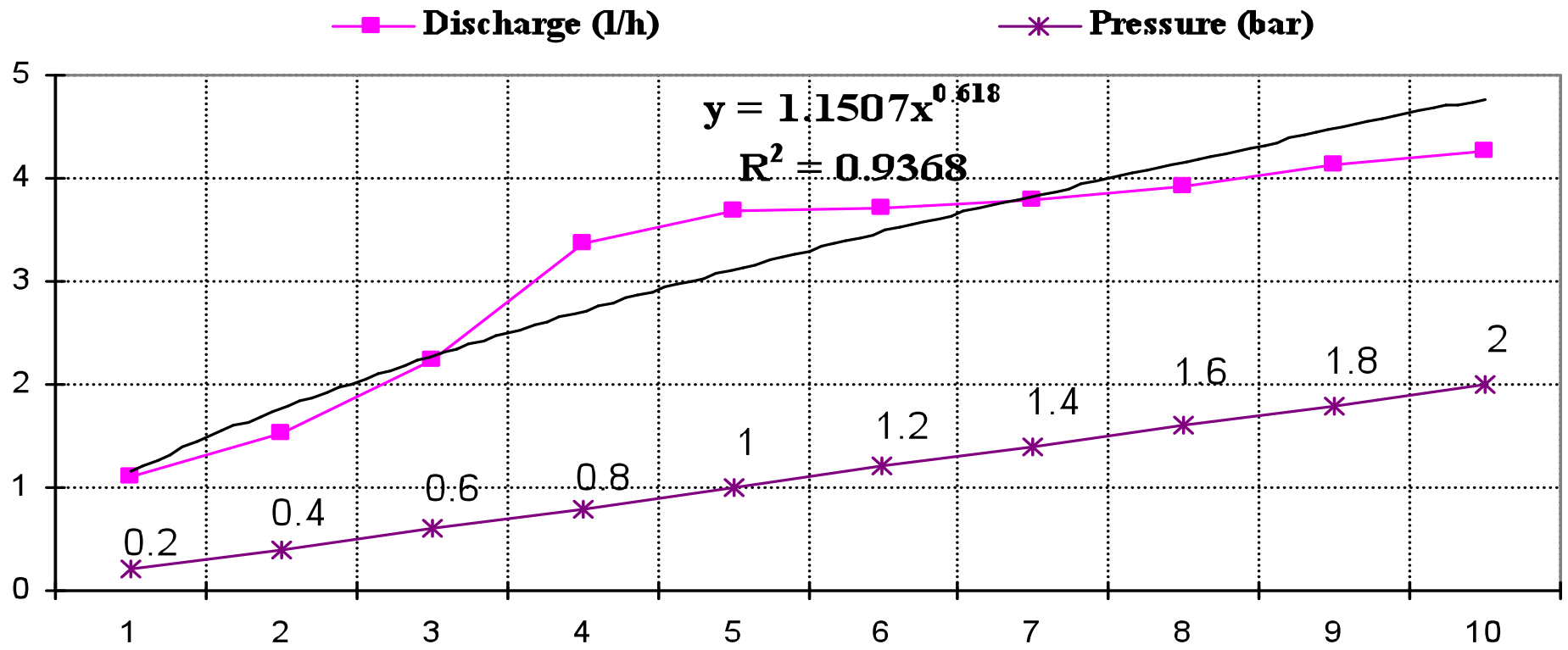


Fig. (6). Effect of different water pressures on discharge rates of emitters in the CM1DIS design (slope 0%).

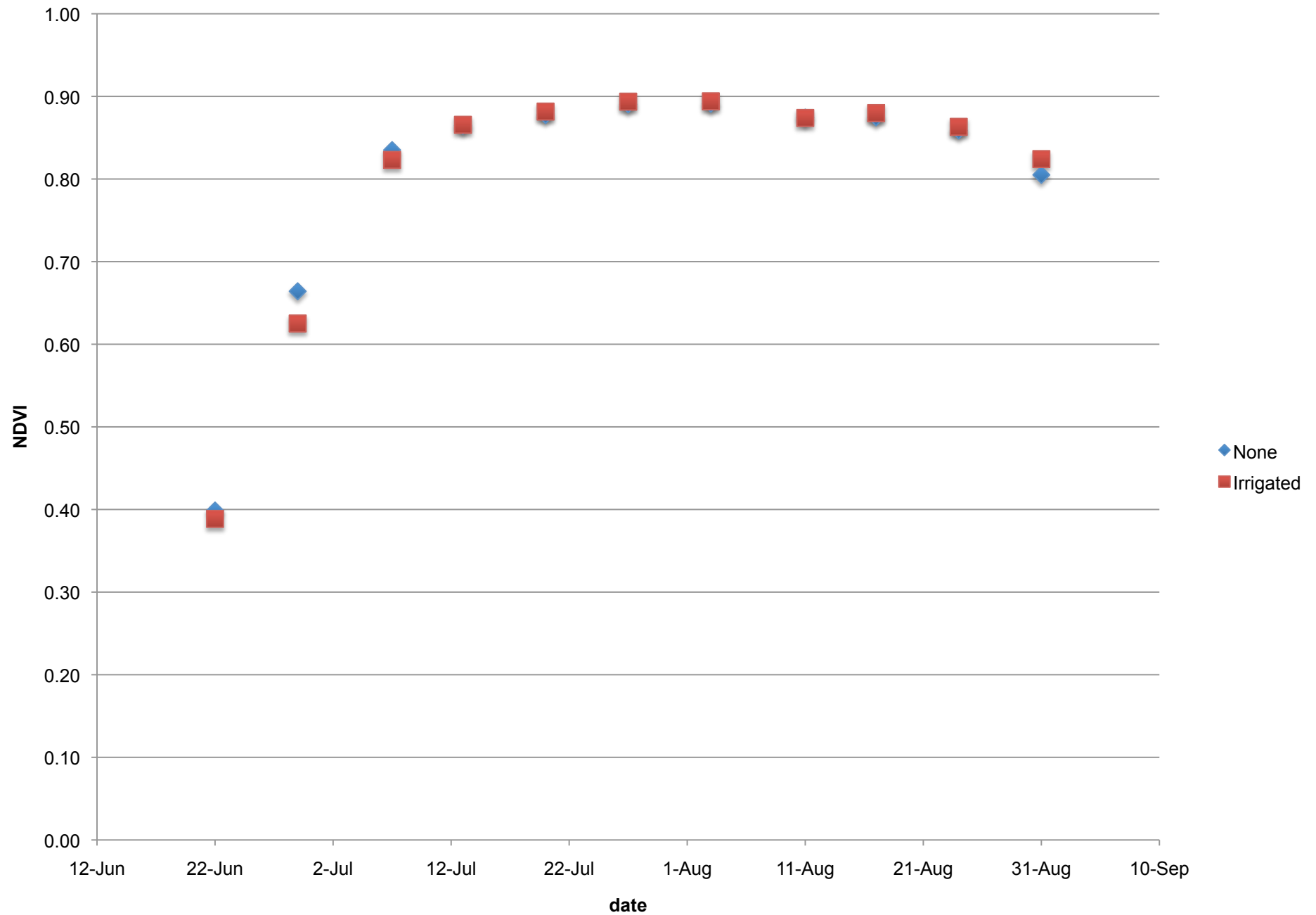
# Soybean Yield and WUE in RILs

| <b>Ril FxH 62</b>   |             | Closed circuits drip irrigation system<br>slope 0 % |                 |                 | No of Replications =3 |
|---------------------|-------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Irrig Sys. Design   | No. of Rep. | <b>L=40 m</b>                                       | <b>L=60 m</b>   | <b>L=80 m</b>   |                       |
|                     |             | Yield kg/ha   | Yield kg/ha     | Yield kg/ha     |                       |
| CM1DIS              | R1          | 4872.24   | 4768.86         | 4652.12         |                       |
|                     | R2          | 4893.21   | 4348.67         | 4423.38         |                       |
|                     | R3          | 4926.61   | 4783.58         | 4352.46         |                       |
|                     | <b>Mean</b> | <b>4897.35</b>                                      | <b>4633.70</b>  | <b>4475.98</b>  |                       |
| Water appl. (m3/ha) |             | <b>7638.29</b>                                      | <b>10382.71</b> | <b>13782.14</b> |                       |
| <b>WUE (Kg/m3)</b>  |             | <b>0.64</b>   | <b>0.45</b>     | <b>0.32</b>     |                       |

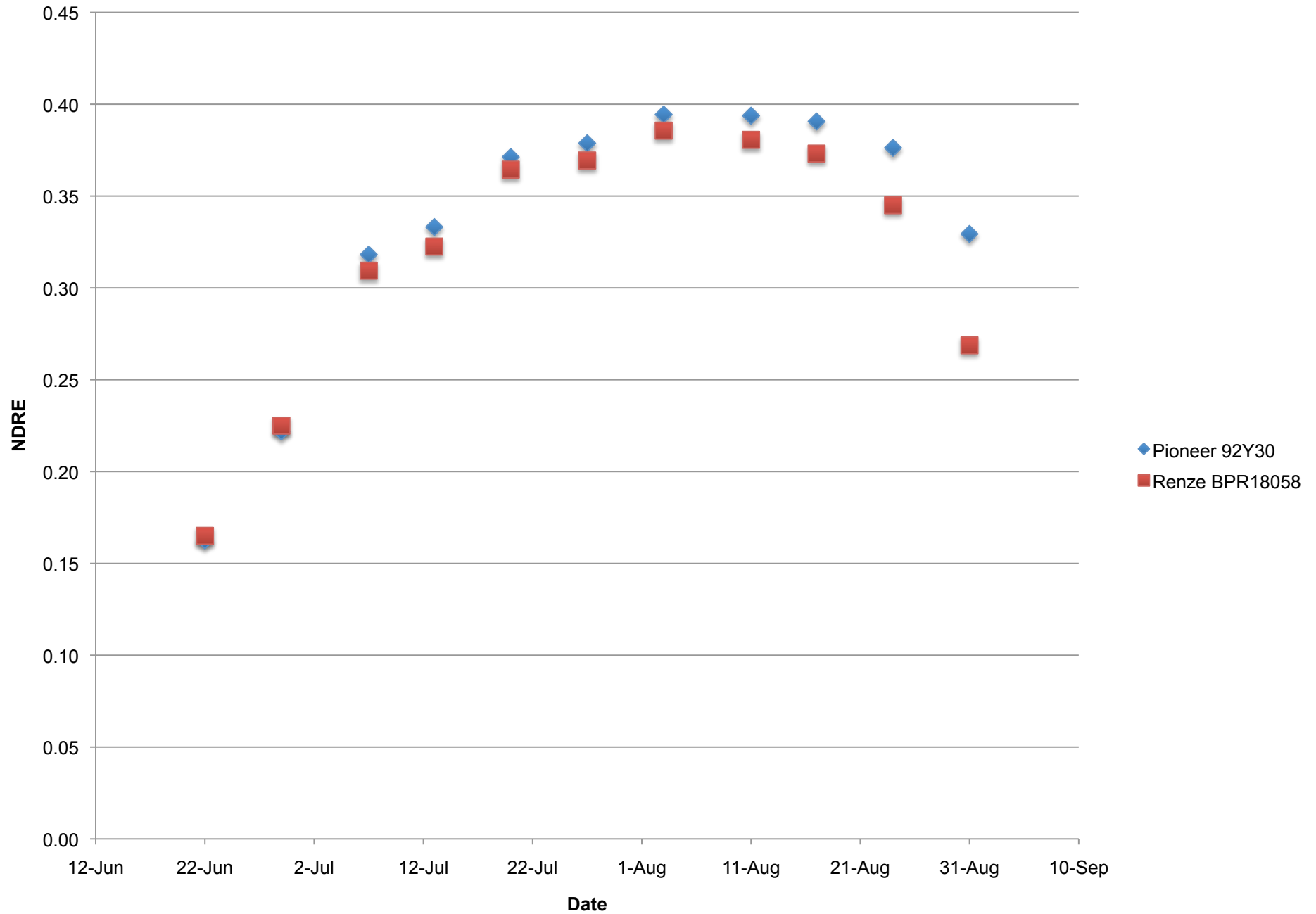
  

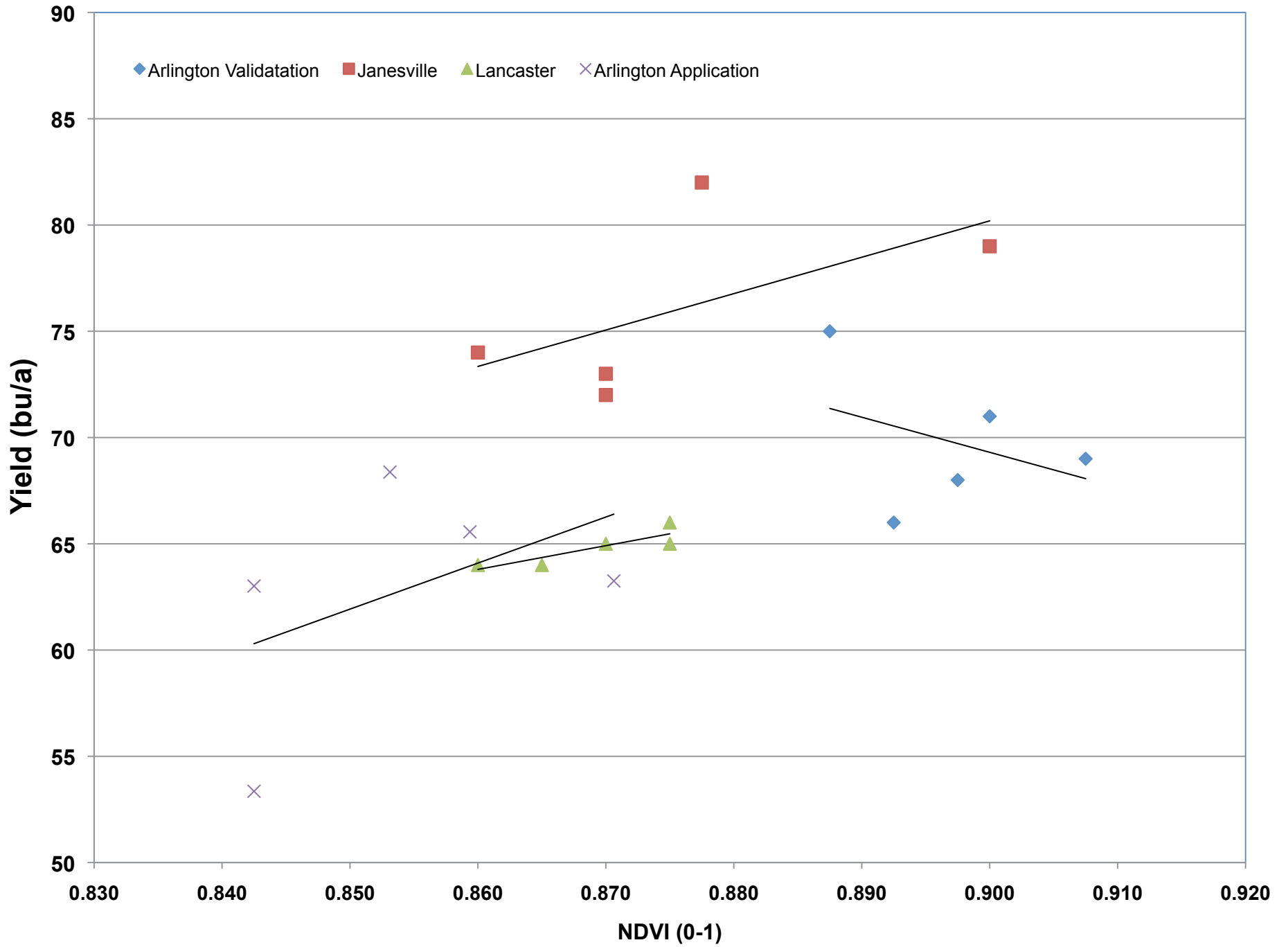
| <b>Ril ExF 75</b>   |             | Closed circuits drip irrigation systems<br>slope 0 % |                 |                 | No of Replications =3 |
|---------------------|-------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Irrig Sys. Design   |             | <b>L=40 m</b>  | <b>L=60 m</b>   | <b>L=80 m</b>   |                       |
|                     |             | Yield kg/ha  | Yield kg/ha     | Yield kg/ha     |                       |
| CM1DIS              | R1          | 4756.35  | 4536.42         | 4358.93         |                       |
|                     | R2          | 4659.38  | 4489.61         | 4289.59         |                       |
|                     | R3          | 4724.28  | 4534.14         | 4175.81         |                       |
|                     | <b>Mean</b> | <b>4713.34</b>                                       | <b>4520.06</b>  | <b>4274.78</b>  |                       |
| Water appl. (m3/ha) |             | <b>7638.29</b>                                       | <b>10382.71</b> | <b>13782.14</b> |                       |
| <b>WUE (Kg/m3)</b>  |             | <b>0.62</b>  | <b>0.44</b>     | <b>0.31</b>     |                       |

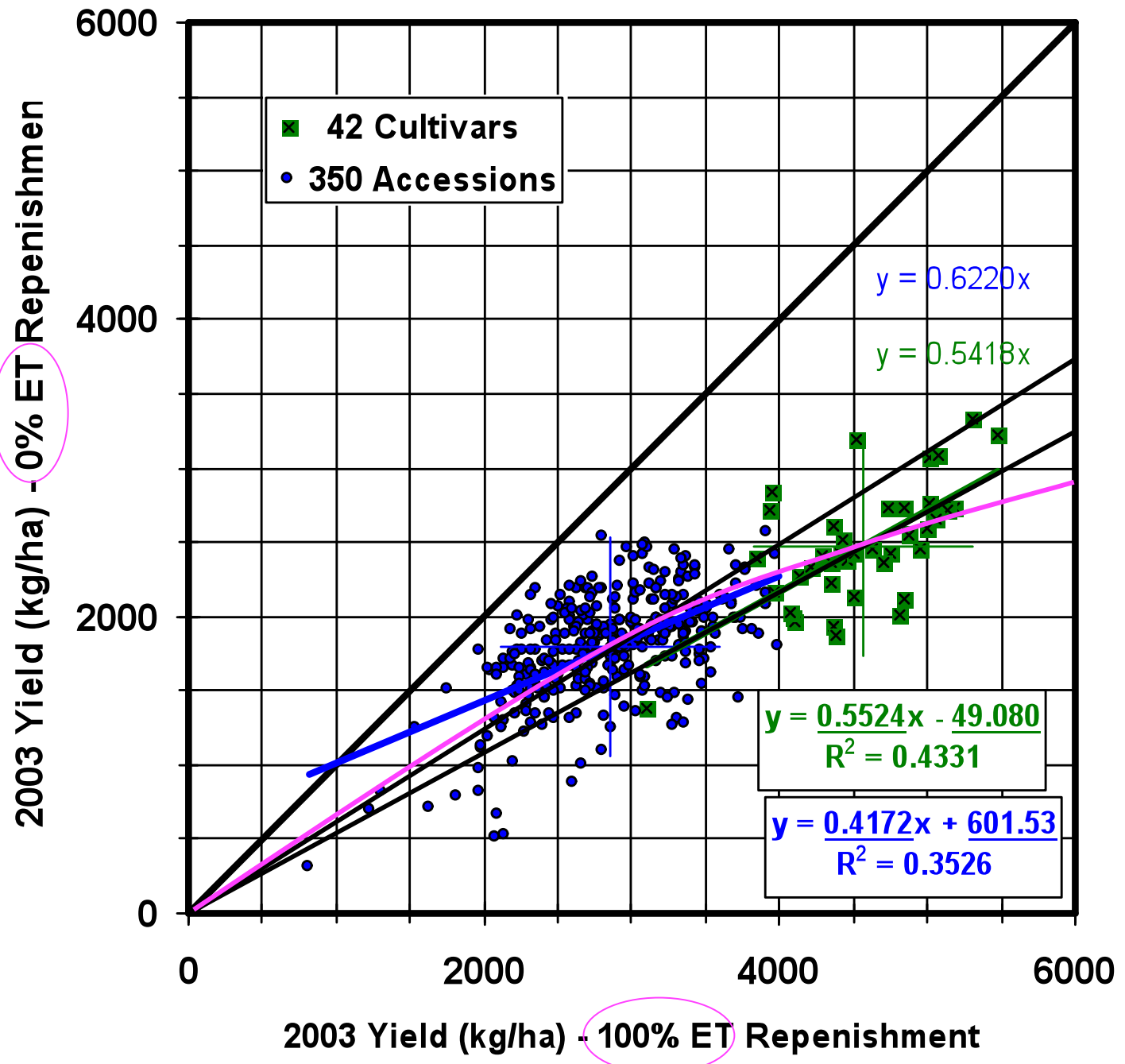
# Irrigation Effects on Seasonal NDVI Progression



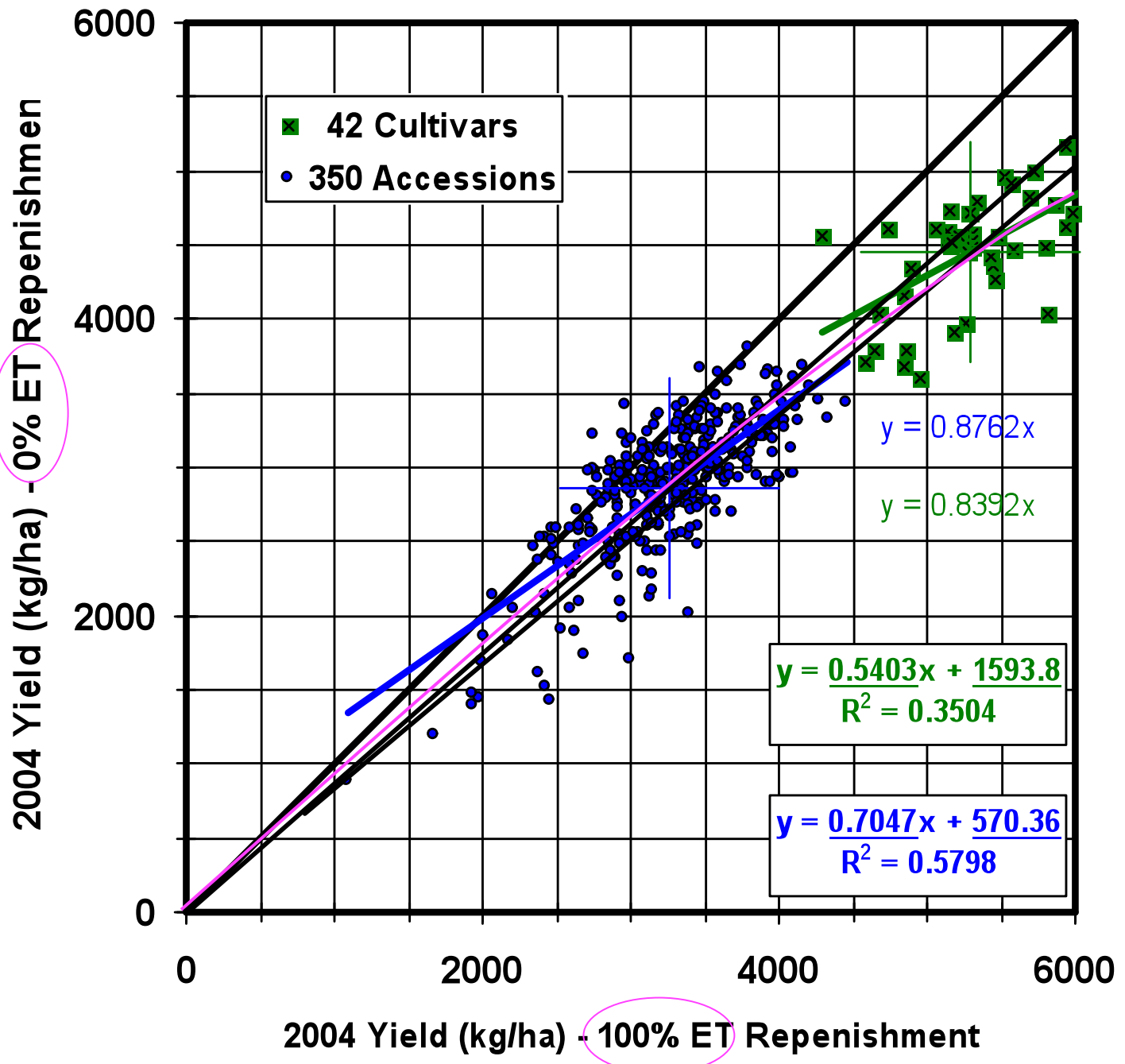
# NDRE Seasonal Progression







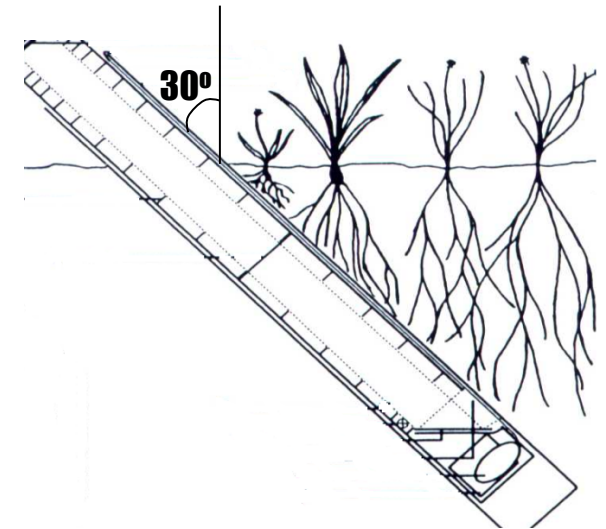
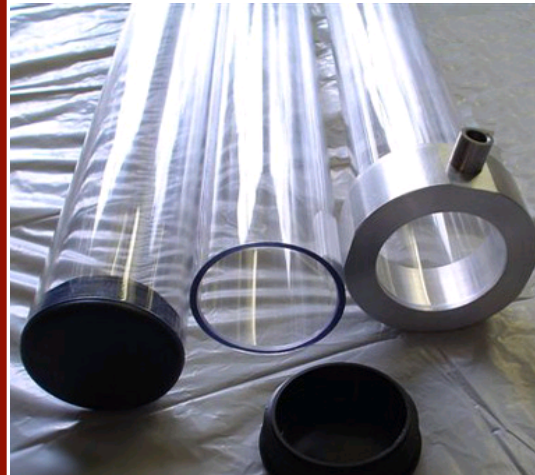


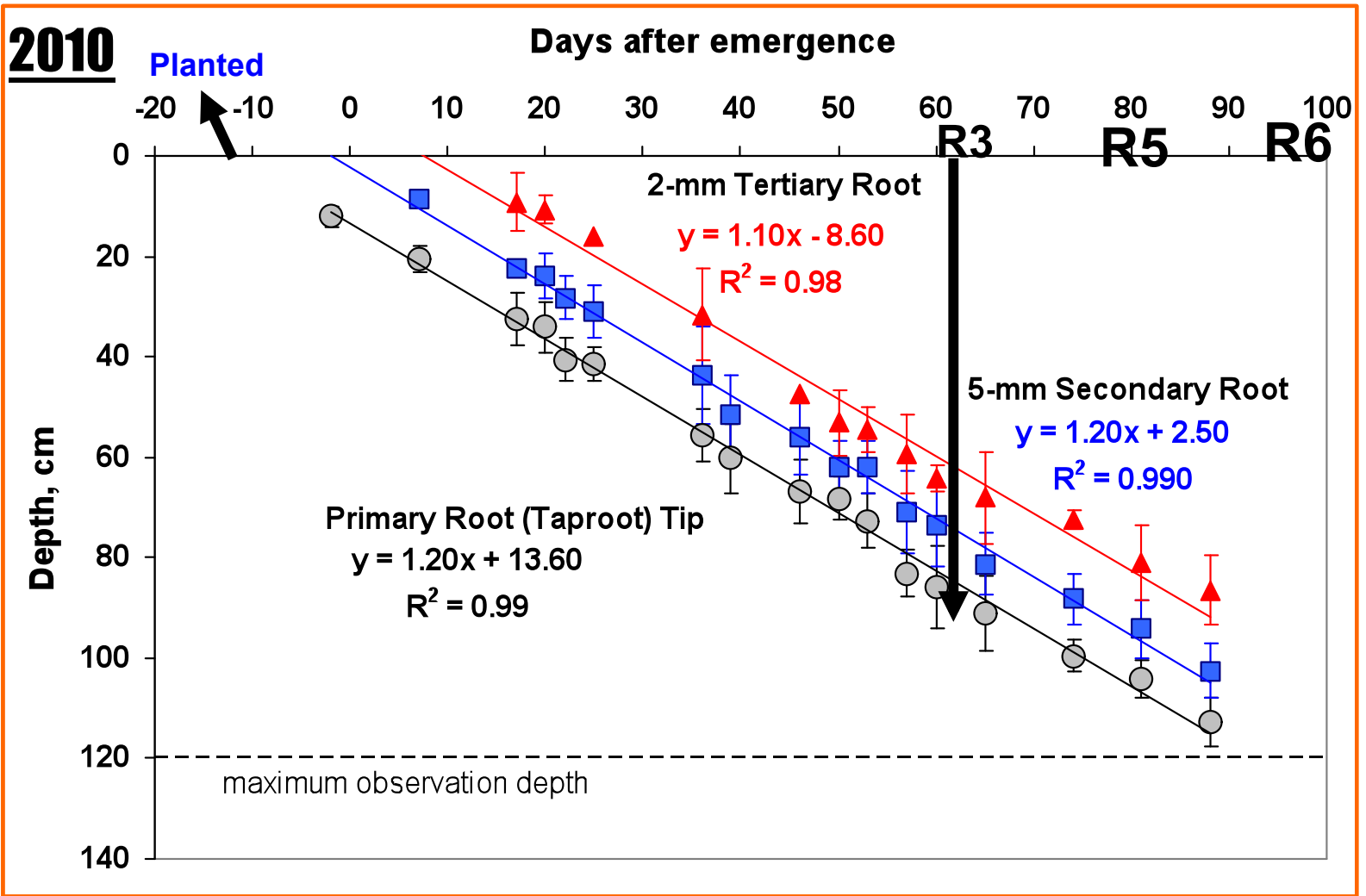
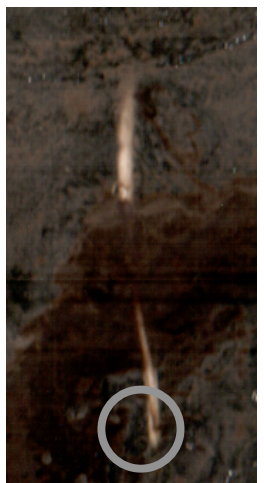
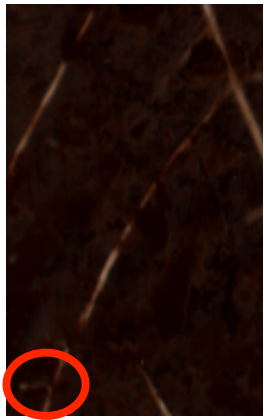


# Approach

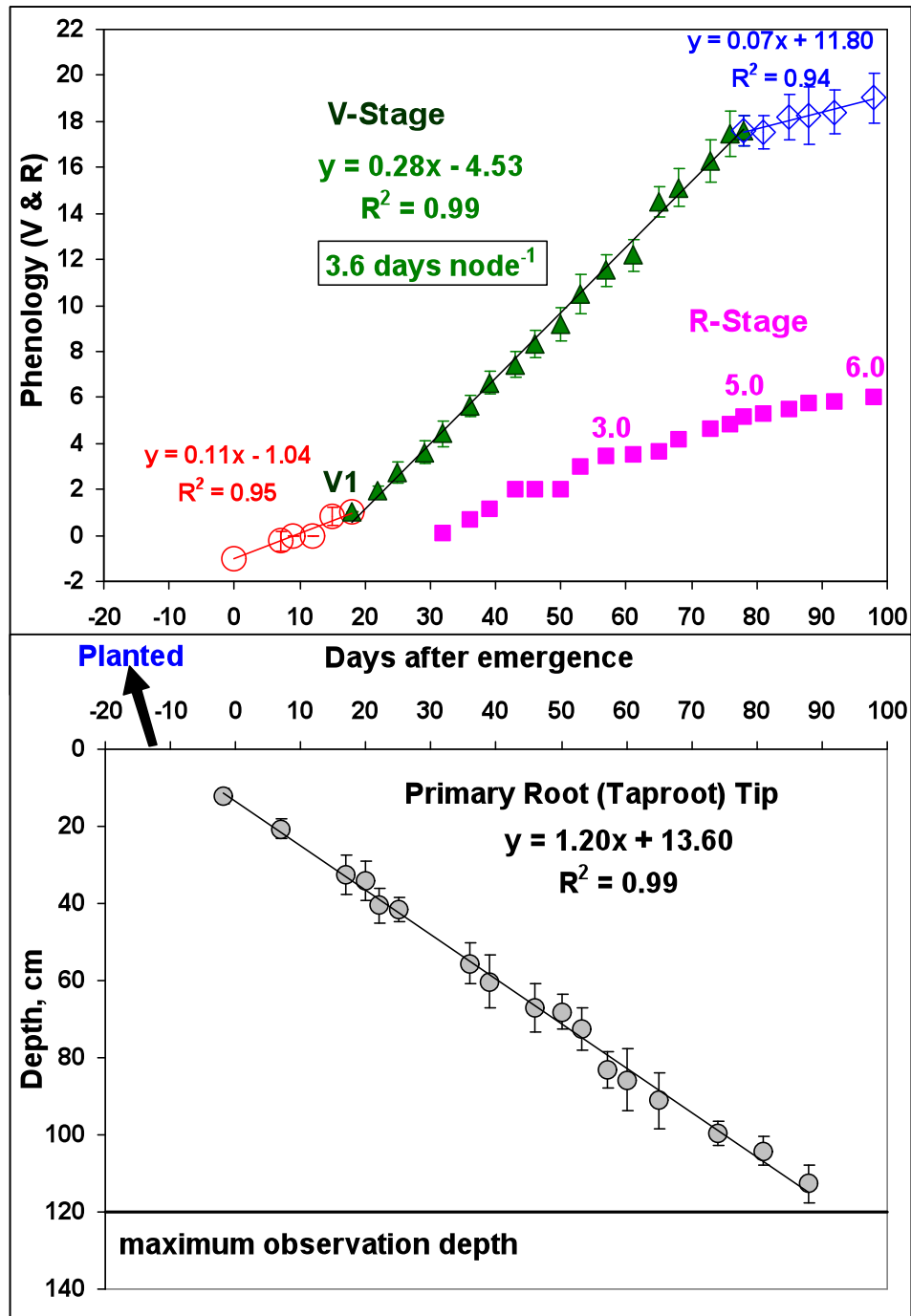
## Minirhizotrone Method

**A set of minirhizotrone set-up consisting of acrylic tubes were placed into the soil to monitor root development at incremental depths.**





**CI-600: CID-Technology**



# Approach

**Site: Lincoln, NE Variety: P93M11, Density of 20 plants / m of row, in-rows spaced 76.2 cm apart.**

**1.6 m long inserted 1.2 m deep with hydraulic probe at a 30 degree angle from vertical**

**Water Depletion Sensors 15, 30, 45, 60, 75, 90, 105, 120 cm depths**

**2009**

**Planted: May 1, 2009**

**No. of Tubes: 15**

**Sets of Sensors: 2**

**Software: Rootfly**

**2010**

**April 28, 2010**

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**UTHCSA Image Tool**



# Approach

## Supplemental Root Examination

Using a back hoe, shovel, knife and measuring tapes

