

Wide hybridization studies between *O.sativa* (cultivated Asian rice) and *O.nivara* (wild rice)

P.V.Hemachandra
Rice Research and Development Institute
Batalagoda,
Ibbagamuwa

Staff involved

- N.M. Anoma Nawarathne, A.I.
- D.W.A.J.Dissanayake, A.I.
- W.M.U.S.Geethika, T.A.

O.nivara

- Found in dry and intermediate zone of Sri Lanka
- AA genome
- No evaluation data related to Brown Plant Hopper (BPH) resistance

O.Nivara – collected near Mahiyangana Raja Maha Vihara



Wide hybridization

- Hybridization with two different species.
- Difficult
- Possible using conventional breeding techniques

Objective

- Collect, screening and transfer of BPH resistant gene from wild rice species (*O.nivara*) to *O.sativa* using wide hybridization technique

Location



Rice Research and Development Institute
Batalagoda,
Ibbagamuwa

Procedure

- Collection of *O.nivara* accessions
- Screening against BPH
- Wide hybridization
- Generation advancement

Collection of *O.nivara* accessions

- previous wild rice collection data was obtained from Plant Genetic Resources centre and National Herbarium, Royal Botanic garden, Peradeniya
- 14 Collection missions
- 06 districts, Anuradhapura, Matale, kurunegala, Badulla, Puttlam and Polonnaruwa
- Seeds collected for BPH screening

Screening against BPH

- Screened against BPH using Standard evaluation system (Henrichs *et al* 1985)
- Susceptible check Bg 380
- Resistant check PTB 33

Screening against BPH

- Seeds were germinated at screen house at RRDI
- After 10 days BPH were introduced
- Favorable conditions for BPH were maintained at screen house
- Data were recorded according to the standards
- 1st data set was recorded at Bg 380 showed rating level 05
- 2nd data set was recorded at Bg 380 showed rating level 07

Wide hybridization

- *O.sativa* var. Bg 380 used as female parent
- Selected BPH resistant accession (WRAC 04) used as male parent
- Ten crosses were made
- Bg 380 emasculated by hand
- Pollination was performed with fresh pollen of *O.nivara* accession
- Pollinated spike lets were covered by oil paper bags

Generation advancement

- F1 seeds were planted at RRDI plant cage
- Filled F2 seeds were screened against BPH
- BPH resistant F2 seeds were planted
- This procedure was followed till F4 seeds were formed
- F5 seeds were planted at the field as 03 raw progenies

Results

- Forty different accessions were collected from following district

District	No.of accession collected
Anuradhapura	18
Badulla	02
Kurunegala	05
Matale	13
Polonnaruwa	01
Puttlam	01

Collection sites of *O.nivara* accessions



BPH Screening results

Reaction against BPH	No. of accessions
Resistant	03
Resistant/ moderately Resistant	15
moderately Resistant	15
moderately Susceptible	03
Susceptible	04

Wide hybridization results

- Forty- two F1 seeds were formed
- All are germinated
- More vigorous F1 plants were observed

Parents

- *O.sativa* var Bg 380
 - Mother plant
 - BPH susceptible variety
- *O.nivara* WRAC 04
 - pollen parent
 - BPH resistant accession



After hybridization



...Progress

- F_1 seeds
- Planted at plant cage



F₁ plants

- Vigorous plants
- Plant height In between parents
- High percentage of empty seeds



Average plant height of parental lines and F1s

<i>O.Nivara</i> WRAC 04	<i>O.Sativa</i> var. Bg 380	F1 plants
130 cm	95 cm	112 cm

Results con...

- All F1 plants produced F2 seeds
- Only 10% were filled
- Fill seed percentage were increased with generation advancement

F₂ to foam seeds

- Only straw color seeds –fill



% filled seeds, % resistant plants with generation

Generation	% filled seeds	% resistant plants
F1	100	-
F2	10	30
F3	60	50
F4	90	92

Screening for BPH resistance



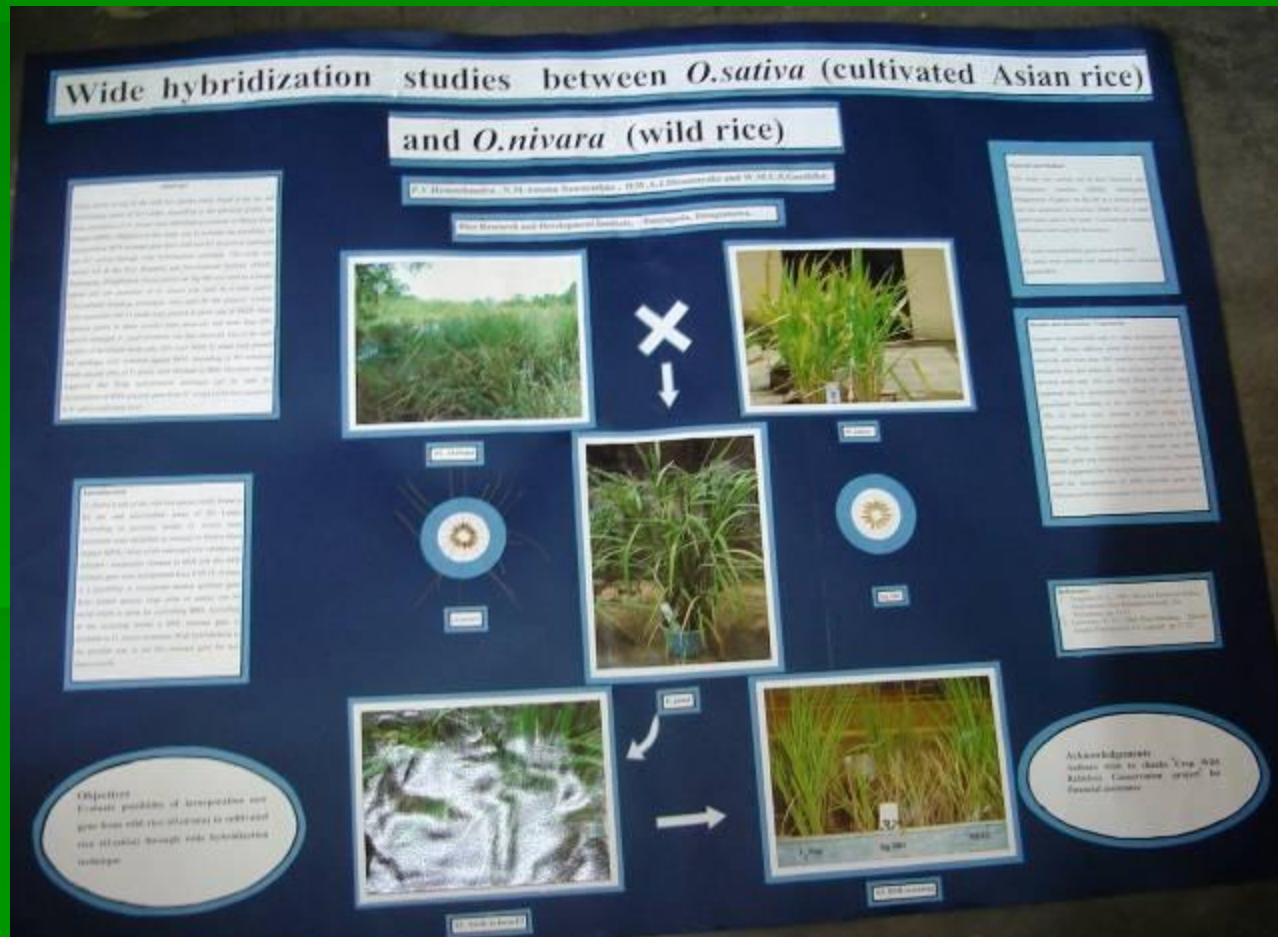
Screening F2 plants



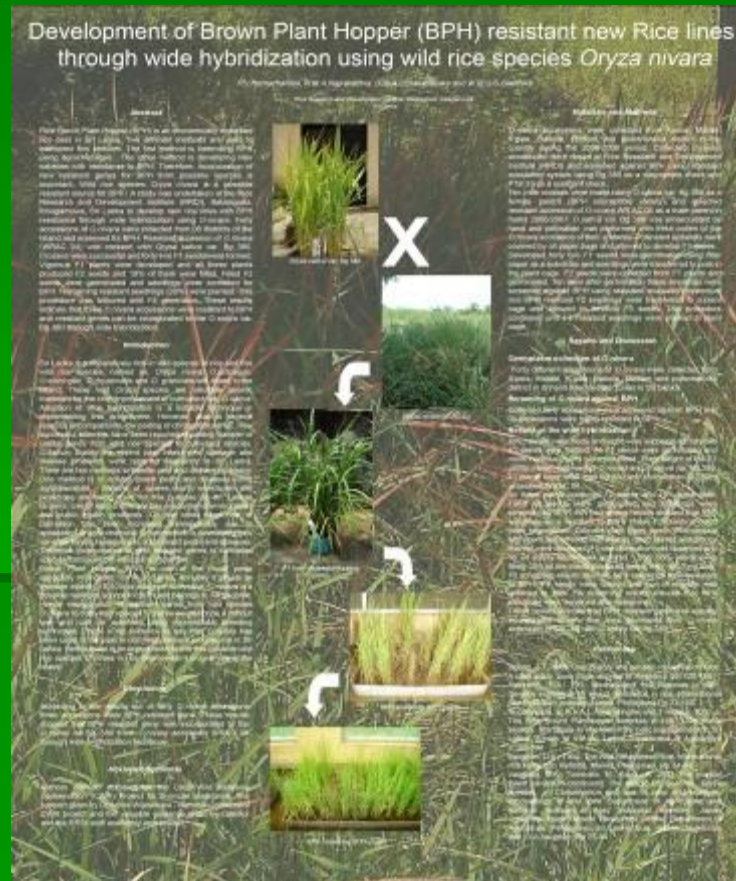
Screening F4 plants



Progress published ASDA 2008



Results published at Rice Genetic symposium (RG6) at Manila, Philippine 2009



Related molecular studies

Investigation of Brown Plant Hopper resistance in *Oryza nivara* and *Oryza eichingeri* derived lines

S.A.P.Madurangi *et al* 2008

Conclusion

- Three *O.nivara* accessions have BPH resistant genes.
- Wide hybridization results suggest that BPH resistant gene from *O.nivara* WRAC 04 can be incorporated to *O.sativa* var. Bg 380.
- Molecular studies confirmed these findings

Acknowledgements

- Dr.D.M.N.Dissanayake, Director, Rice Research and Development Institute,Batalagoda, Ibbagamuwa.
- Other scientists and technical staff of RRDI
- Dr. Anura Wijesekara Coordinator, CWR project

Thank you