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Dissection of the Downy Mildew R-gene cluster on chromosome 8

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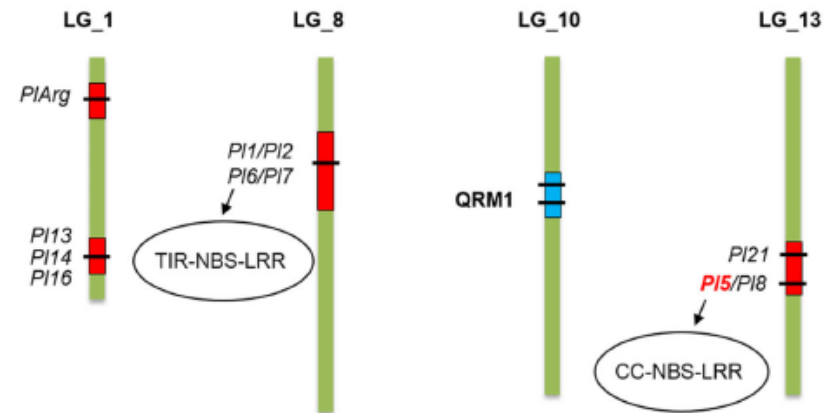
Context

- *Plasmopara halstedii*, causal agent of sunflower downy mildew (DM)
- New pathogenic isolates are produced over the time
- Aim to develop sustainable resistant products
- Molecular markers used as tool to increase accuracy and speed up of the selection process



Plasmopara halstedii, France 2022

- Complexity of DM locus due to R-gene cluster
example on chromosome 8
- Development an innovative approach to develop diagnostic markers



Q. GASCUEL *et al.* 2015

New insights for the purpose of breeding and resistance management

- Traits and origin description of our germplams
- Combining genetics and genomics legacy data over the last 10 years
- Haplotype based analysis of the Downy Mildew R-gene cluster on chrom 8
 - Identify the different alleles represented in the germplasm
 - *PI6* showed multiple haplotypes in our germplasm related to the origin of the material
 - Putative R-genes all map to interval from 6 to 7 Mbp in the region of interest
- ❖ Genes deployment strategy in the different breeding programs

Thank you for your attention

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