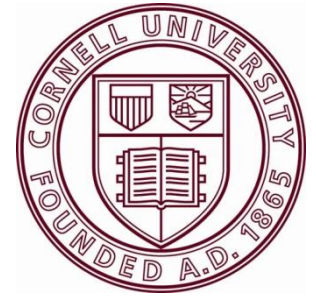


Genomic and Mapping Resources for the Genetic Improvement of Shrub Willow Feedstock Crops

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Crop and forest biomass is a feedstock for biopower, liquid biofuels, and heat



Lyonsdale Biomass Power Plant, Lyons Falls, NY
Photo: Catalyst Renewables



VeraSun Station, Brookings, SD



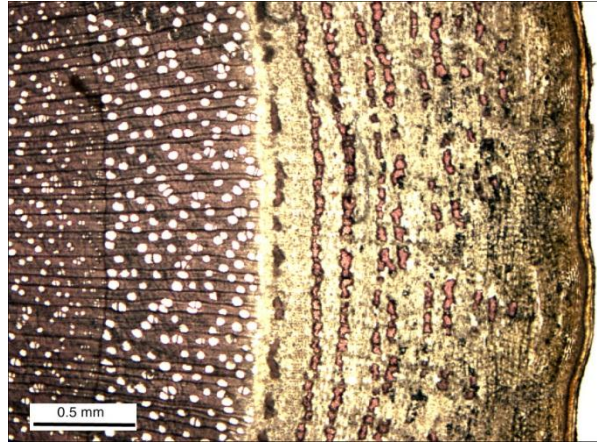
**ACT Bioenergy Wood Boiler
NYSAES, Geneva, NY**

Breeding Objectives

Marginal Land
Adaptability



Biomass Quality Traits



Potato Leaf
Hopper
Resistance



Rust Resistance



Photo by Shawn Kenaley

Intra- and Inter-specific Hybridizations



F_1

S. integra
S. viminalis
S. cordata
S. nigra
S. sachalinensis
S. cordata x *S. eriocephala*
S. purpurea x *S. eriocephala*
S. purpurea x *S. viminalis*
S. purpurea x *S. sachalinensis*
S. purpurea x *S. gilgiana*
S. koriyanagi x *S. purpurea*
S. viminalis x *S. miyabeana*
S. viminalis x *S. eriocephala*
S. x dasyclados x *S. miyabeana*
S. x dasyclados x *S. eriocephala*
S. x dasyclados x *S. viminalis*
S. eriocephala x *S. purpurea*
S. matsudana x *S. alba*
S. sachalinensis x *S. eriocephala*
S. sericea x *S. purpurea*
S. sericea x *S. eriocephala*
S. sericea x *S. sachalinensis*
S. discolor x *S. cinerea*
S. discolor x *S. eriocephala*

F_1 and F_2

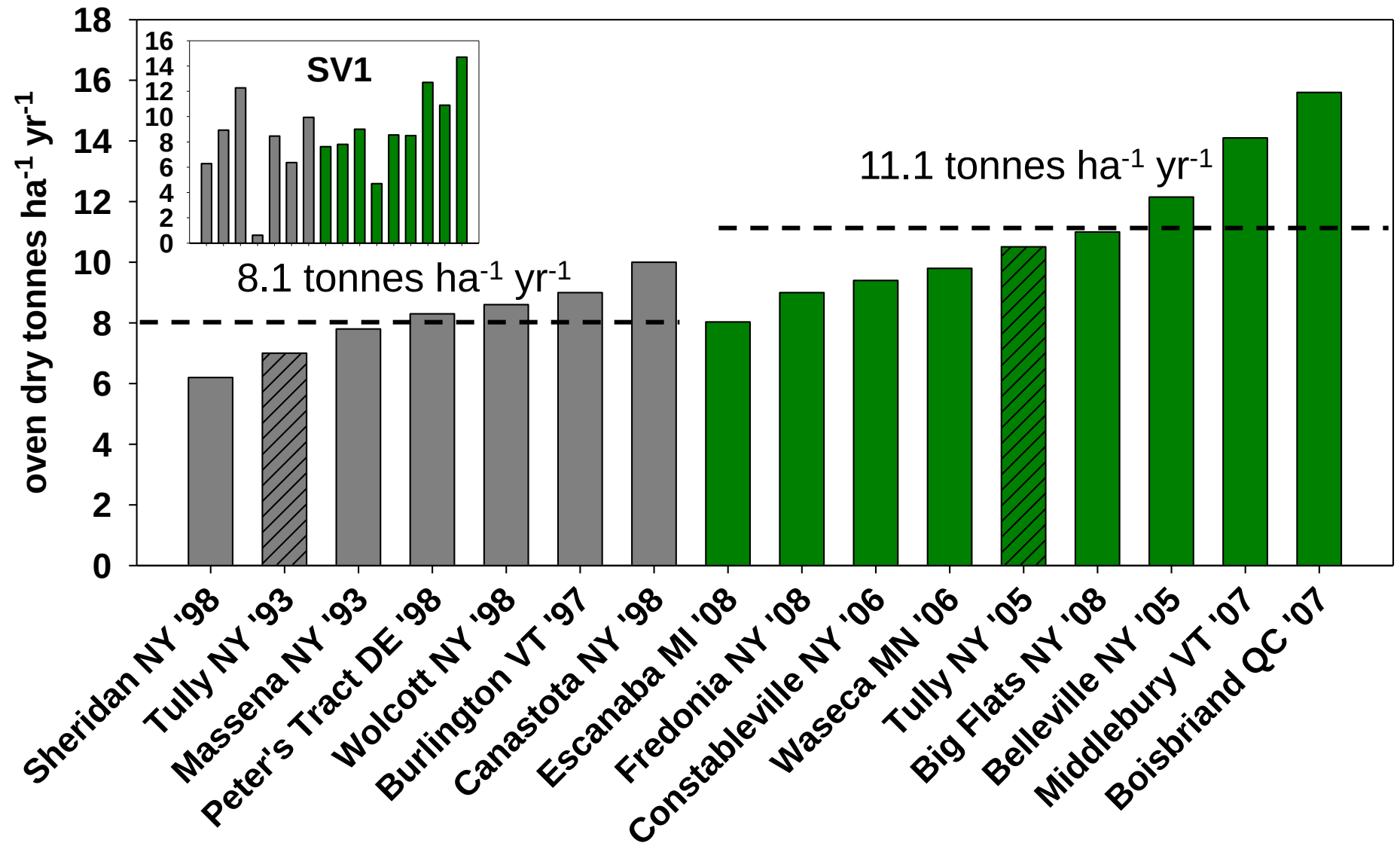
S. purpurea
S. eriocephala
S. miyabeana
S. sachalinensis x *S. miyabeana*
S. purpurea x *S. integra*

Multi-species hybrids

S. viminalis x (*S. sachalinensis* x *S. miyabeana*)
S. viminalis x (*S. purpurea* x *S. miyabeana*)
S. viminalis x (*S. viminalis* x *S. miyabeana*)
S. purpurea x (*S. sachalinensis* x *S. miyabeana*)
S. purpurea x (*S. purpurea* x *S. miyabeana*)
S. purpurea x (*S. viminalis* x *S. miyabeana*)
(*S. sachalinensis* x *S. miyabeana*) x *S. purpurea*
(*S. sachalinensis* x *S. miyabeana*) x *S. miyabeana*
(*S. sachalinensis* x *S. miyabeana*) x *S. viminalis*
(*S. viminalis* x *S. schwerinii*) x *S. cinerea*
(*S. sachalinensis* x *S. miyabeana*) x (*S. purpurea* x *S. miyabeana*)
(*S. sach* x *S. miya*) x (*S. viminalis* x (*S. schwerinii* x *S. viminalis*))

Mean Yield of Top Five Genotypes in Yield Trials

- New cultivars contribute to 36% increase in yield of top five

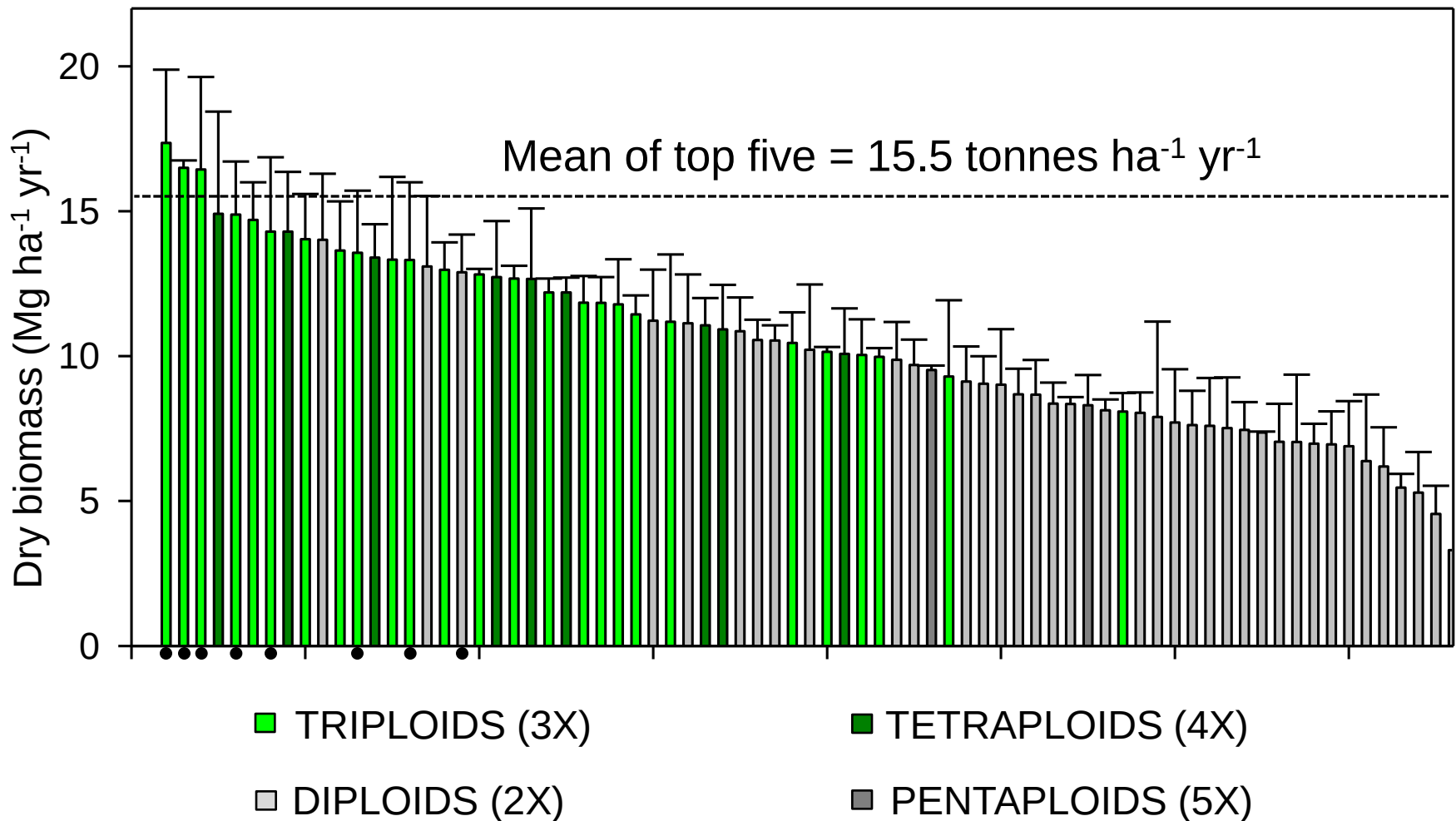


Flow Cytometric Estimation of Nuclear DNA Content

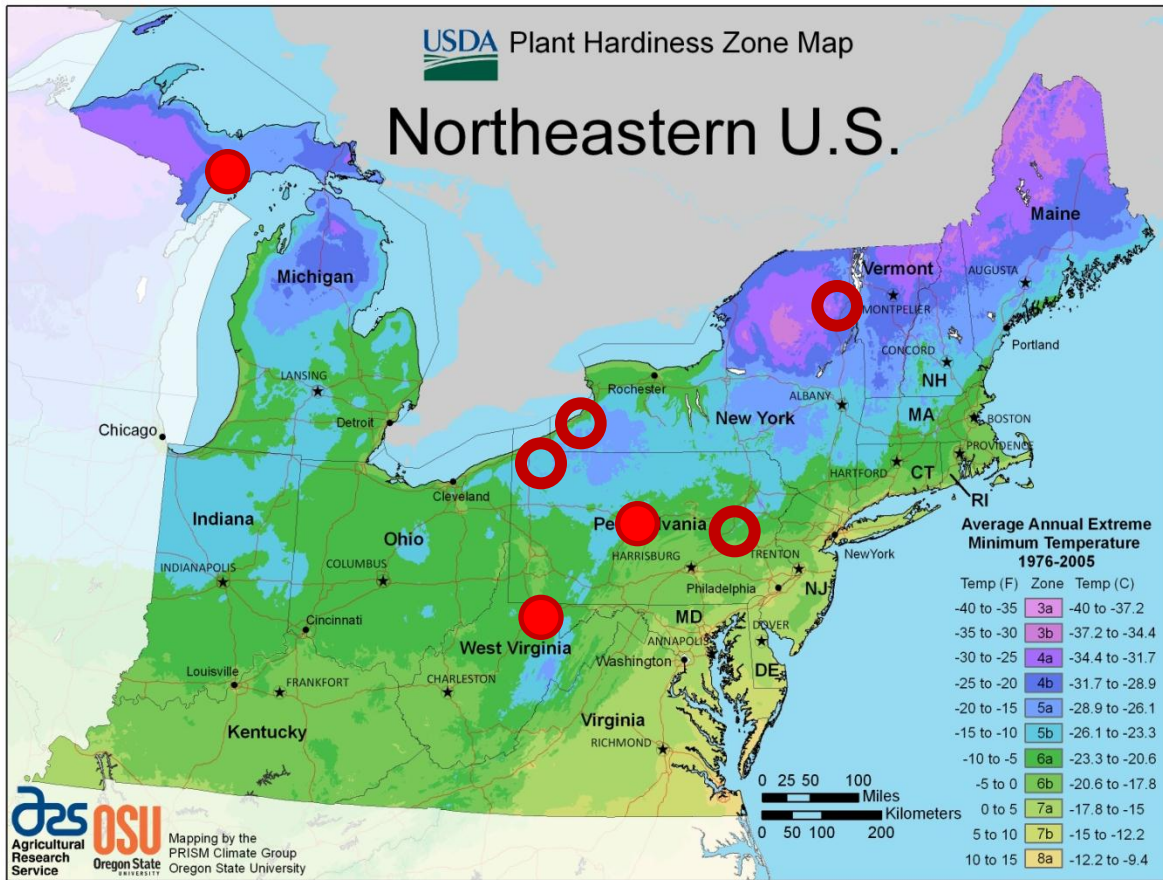
Cultivar	Species	(pg/2C)
Diploid		
Björn	<i>S. schwerinii</i> x <i>S. viminalis</i>	0.76
Olof	<i>S. viminalis</i> x (<i>S. schwerinii</i> x <i>S. viminalis</i>)	0.80
Jorr	<i>S. viminalis</i>	0.83
P63	<i>S. integra</i>	0.93
94006	<i>S. purpurea</i>	0.94
SV1	<i>S. x dasyclados</i>	0.94
Triploid		
Nimrod	(<i>S. schwerinii</i> x <i>S. viminalis</i>) x <i>S. udensis</i>	1.15
Terra Nova	(<i>S. triandra</i> x <i>S. viminalis</i>) x <i>S. udensis</i>	1.11
Tully Champion	<i>S. viminalis</i> x <i>S. miyabeana</i>	1.31
Oneida	<i>S. purpurea</i> x <i>S. miyabeana</i>	1.33
01X-266-001	<i>S. viminalis</i> x (<i>S. viminalis</i> x <i>S. miyabeana</i>)	1.26
Tetraploid		
SX64	<i>S. miyabeana</i>	1.65
SX61	<i>S. sachalinensis</i> (<i>S. udensis</i>)	1.65
Canastota	<i>S. sachalinensis</i> x <i>S. miyabeana</i>	1.67
05X-284-001	<i>S. purpurea</i> x (<i>S. purpurea</i> x <i>S. miyabeana</i>)	1.87
Pentaploid?		
05X-286-001	<i>S. miyabeana</i> x (<i>S. purpurea</i> x <i>S. miyabeana</i>)	2.17

2008 Genetic Selection Trial - Geneva, NY

- 24-plant plots, 3 replicates, 76 genotypes
- Biomass harvested from middle 8 plants in Dec. 2011



NE Sun Grant - NEWBio Regional Trials

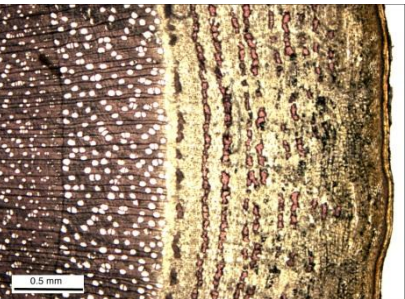


- Yield Trials (24 genotypes, 48 plant plots)
- Yield Trial Sites for 2013

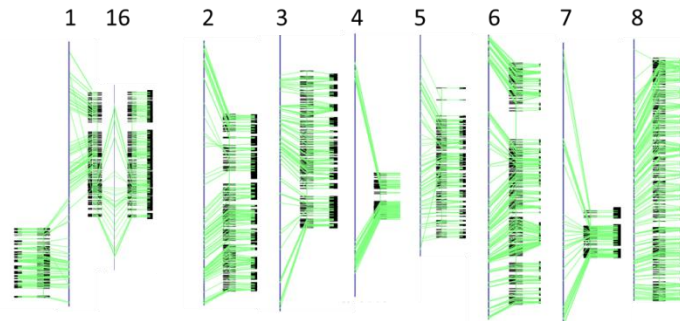


Genomic Tools for Genetic Improvement

Quantitative Traits

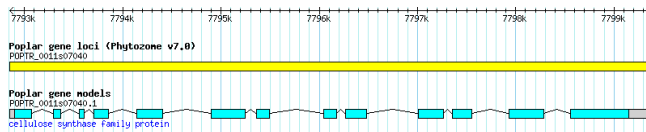


High-density Linkage Map QTL Mapping



Genome Sequence

TTGGCA
GTCAAC
TCCCTA
AGCTCC
TTCATG



Candidate Gene Association Mapping

Association Mapping Population

- Candidate gene:trait association mapping
 - 114 *S. purpurea* natural accessions
 - 16 *S. purpurea* hybrids, *S. koriyanagi*, *S. integra*, and current hybrid cultivars



Trait mapping populations

Salix purpurea mapping population

94006 x 94001

F₁ ↓

Family 82 (~440 progeny)

9882-41 x 9882-34

F₂ ↓

Family 317 (~500 progeny)



***S. purpurea* 94006 x *S. viminalis* 'Jorr'**

[Willow beetle; potato leafhopper resistance]

***S. koriyanagi* 'SH3' x *S. purpurea* 94001**

[Biomass chemical composition; Stem number]

***S. purpurea* 94006 x *S. integra* P63**

[Stem diameter; Wood density & composition; Rust resistance]

High-density markers: GBS 96-plex protocol

Rob Elshire, Sharon Mitchell, Ed Buckler

Elshire et al. (2011) PLoS One

Digest DNA with
EcoT22I (6-base) or
ApeKI (5 base-cutter)

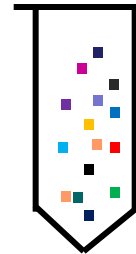
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adapters (may be
done simultaneously)



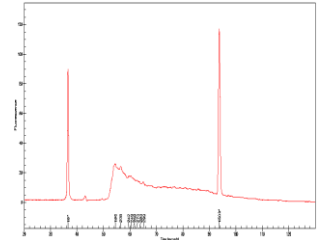
Pool
DNAs

PCR

Primers

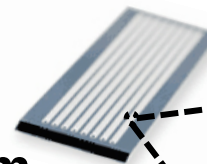


Clean-up

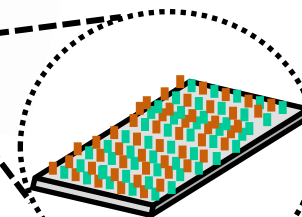


Optimize
fragment sizes
& adapter
ligation

Sequence on Illumina Platform
~200,000 reads per sample
~6,000 SNPs for \$25 per sample

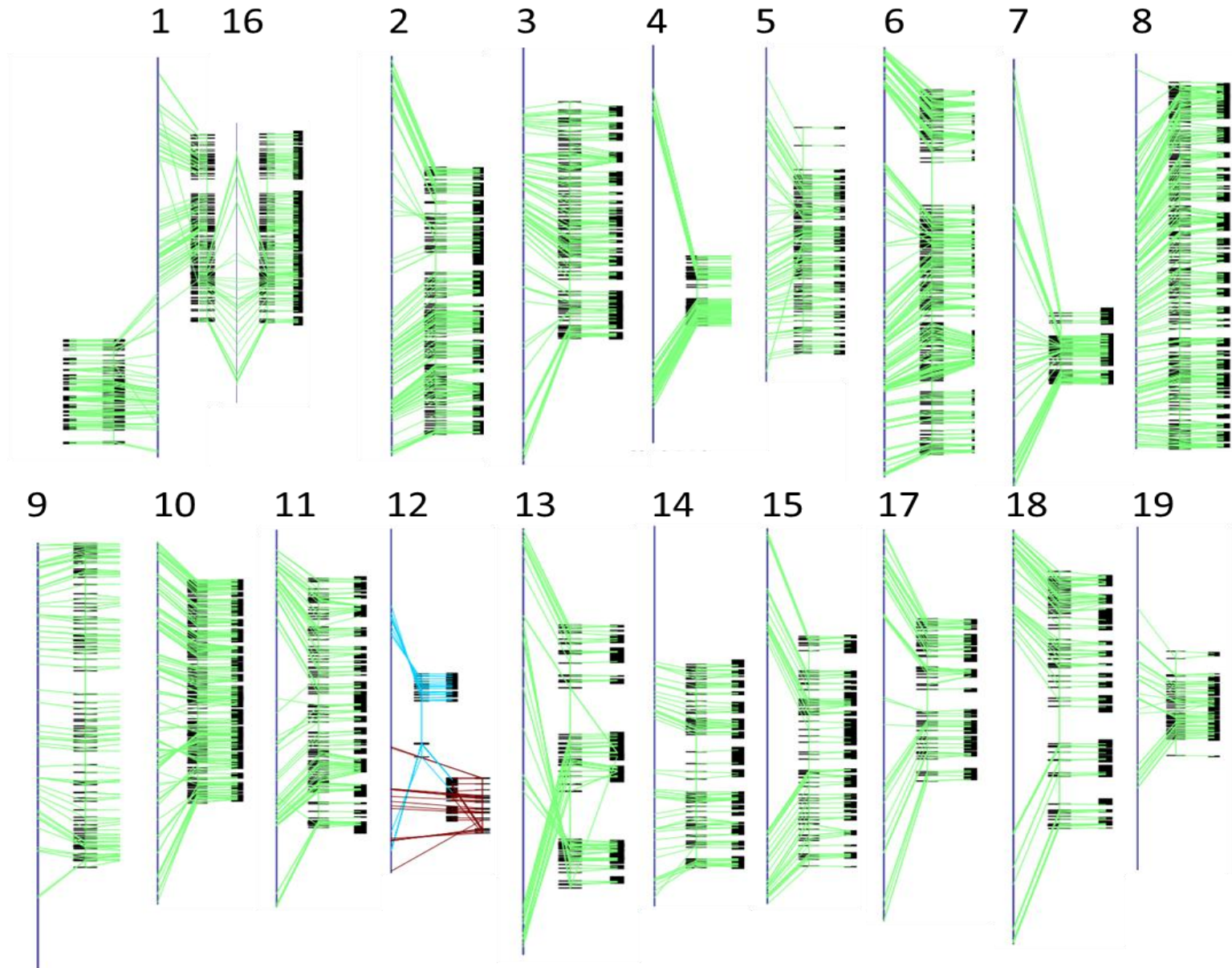


Flowcell
8 channels



Solid Phase Oligos

Preliminary Genetic Map of *S. purpurea*



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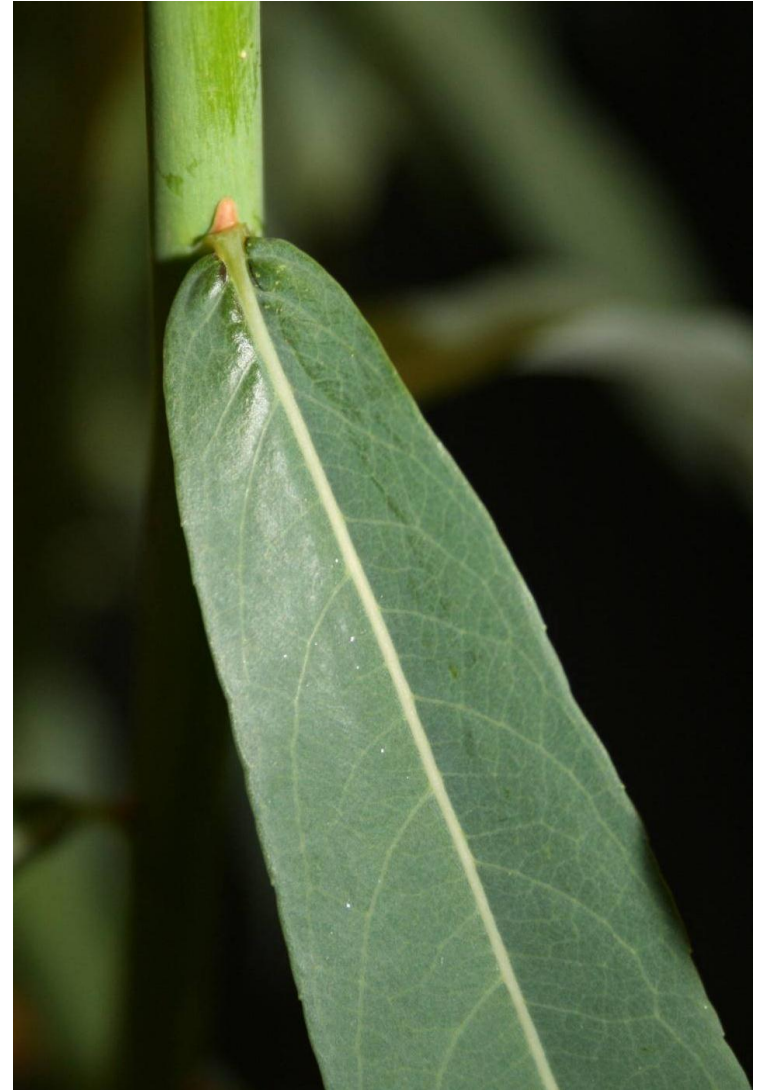
Evidence for Divergence of Two Genera

- *Salix* > 300 species vs. *Populus* = 32 species
- Shrub vs. Tree Growth habit
- Multiple ploidy levels ($2n=38$)
- No terminal bud in *Salix*



Sequencing of the *Salix purpurea* L. genome

- Whole genome shotgun sequencing of clone ID 94006
 - diploid female ($n = 19$, ~485 Mb)
 - conducted at DOE JGI (PIs: Tuskan, Smart, Town)
- ALLPATHS genome assembly:
 - 140X Illumina coverage:
 - Two lanes of 250bp PE
 - 4.5kb, 5.3kb, and 6.5Kb MP
 - Total bases = 349 Mb (~85%)
 - Max contig size = 784 kb
 - Contig L50 = 46 kb
- Two 5X BAC libraries constructed



Transcriptome sequencing

- *Salix purpurea* transcriptome data to date:
 - 5 lanes Illumina 2x76 from 8 tissue libraries done at JGI
 - 84.6% of 201,926 transcripts aligned to genome assembly



Shoot tip
44.0 M reads



Leaves
Day: 16.4 M
Nite: 15.3 M
Drought: 13.6



Stem
Node: 18 M reads
Internode: 21.5 M



Roots
51.7 M reads

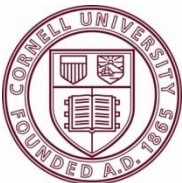


Catkins
46.1M reads

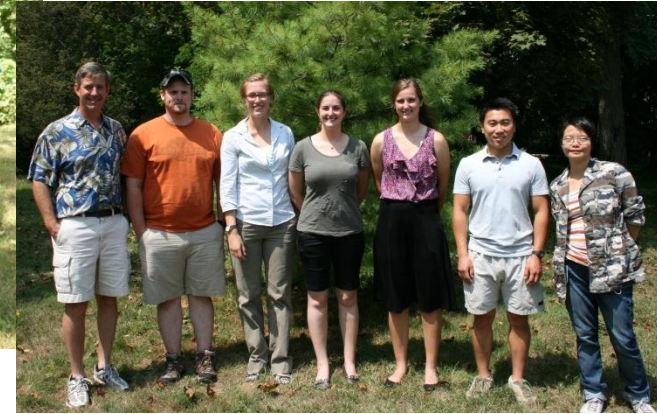
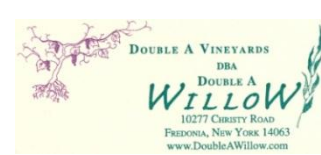
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Summary

- Excellent hybrid pedigrees have been produced and new hybrid combinations are being explored
- Trials have been planted on a wide range of sites to estimate regional yield potentials
- Many new high-yielding hybrids are triploid
- Candidate gene association mapping
- Developing a high-density genetic map using SNPs generated from GBS
- Draft sequence of the *S. purpurea* genome and transcriptome



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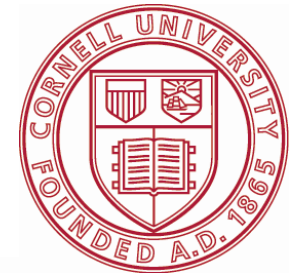
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