

Strategies for cultivar deployment in agricultural landscapes: confronting the points of view of breeders and farmers

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15 min introduction

1h30 serious game (30 min game + 15 min feedback for each round):
 > Round 1: optimising landscape organisation

➢ Round 2: optimising deployment strategies and resistance sources





Rusts (*Puccinia* spp.) of cereal crops







Cucumber mosaic virus on pepper





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Resistance is useful but can be overcome

Plant resistance

complete or partial reduction of pathogen infection, growth and spread, hence disease severity



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> Evolutionary forces



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> A high diversity in wild plant-pathogen interactions



Rust infection of wild flax *Linum* marginale, caused by Melampsora lini



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> What is the best strategy to deploy plant resistance?





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https://shiny.biosp.inrae.fr/app_direct/landsepi/



	Landsepi : Landscape Ep	pidemiology and Evolution
	А	bout
Input		Output
Default St	trategies aic ▼	Simulated landscape
Landscape Croptypes and Cultivars		
Landscape structure (field boundaries)	Spatial aggregation of croptypes	
	Dubined	
C0 proportion C1 proportion 0.33 • 0.33 •	C2 proportion Rotation period 0.34 (years)	
	0	Susceptible crop Resistant crop 1 Resistant crop 2
Simulation duration Time steps per (years) (days)	er year Seed (for random number generator)	
30 120	€ 12345	
	Generate t	he landscape
	Run simulation	Stop simulation
	🛓 Expor	t simulation

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> Serious game: Groups



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Landsepi : Landscape Epidemiology and Evolution

Run simulation Stop simulation

La Download simulation parameters

Z Advanced Mode On/Off

	Input	
	Default Strategies	
	Mosaic 🔻	
Landscape Cultivars and Genes	Pathogen Treatment	
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Croptypes

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croptypeID	croptypeName	÷	Susceptible 🔶	Resistant1 🝦	Resistant2	Proportions de	ete 🔶
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1	Resistant crop 1		0	1	0	0.33	
2	Resistant crop 2		0	0	1	0.34	
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Simulation du	ration (years)	\$	Time steps per ye	ear (days) ₿	Seed (RNC	3)	\$

Round #1

Optimising landscape organisation

Farmers wish to grow 1/3-1/3-1/3 of *Delicate* (susceptible cultivar), *ToughTough* (resistant cultivar with resistance gene 'Lr13') and *Wheateatix* (resistant cultivar with resistance gene 'Lr34') **in a mosaic** during 10 years (120 days/year)

From your perspective, how should they organise the fields in terms of:

- Field boundaries (landscape structure)?
- Spatial aggregation of the 3 cultivars?

> Cereal growers

Your goal is to control epidemics (that is to minimize the proportion of infected plants) on the susceptible Delicate, because it is your main cash crop. For this, you must find an appropriate deployment strategy for the resistant **ToughTough** and **Wheateatix** while maintaining sufficient fields with **Delicate** in the landscape. How does this objective translate into the model outputs? Which of the following is favourable from your point of view?

Minimizing the proportion of diseased <u>susceptible</u> hosts (for example the average trend along the 10 simulated years, or the value at year 10)



This is the best option for cereal growers, because it minimizes the proportion of diseased susceptible host.

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> Cereal breeders

Your goal is to avoid a breakdown of resistance genes 'Lr13' and 'Lr34', because it would lead to dramatic epidemics and a loss of at least 10 years of heavy investments in research & development. Thus, *ToughTough* and *Wheateatix* **must be as durable as possible**, that is, the deployment strategy must avoid or at least delay the appearance of adapted pathogens.

How does this objective translate into the model outputs? Which of the following is favourable from your point of view?

Maximizing the number of years before resistance breakdown, that is the moment when the proportion of diseased <u>resistant</u> host starts increasing.





Disease severity averaged on whole cropping seasons



This is the best option for cereal breeders, because it maximize the number of years before resistance breakdown

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Landscape structure	Spatial aggregation of croptypes	Proportion of diseased <u>susceptible</u> hosts	Years before Years before resistance breakdown
Landscape 1	Highly fragmented		
Landscape 1	Balanced		
Landscape 1	Highly aggregated		
Landscape 2	Highly fragmented		
Landscape 2	Balanced		
Landscape 2	Highly aggregated	Running the <i>landsep</i>	<i>i</i> simulator
Landscape 3	Highly fragmented	landscape structure X aggreg	ation combinations
Landscape 3	Balanced		
Landscape 3	Highly aggregated		
Landscape 4	Highly fragmented		
Landscape 4	Balanced		
Landscape 4	Highly aggregated		
Landscape 5	Highly fragmented		
Landscape 5	Balanced		
Landscape 5	Highly aggregated		

Landscape structure	Spatial aggregation of croptypes	Proportion of diseased <u>susceptible</u> hosts	Years before Years before resistance breakdown
Landscape 1	Highly fragmented	40%	10 +
Landscape 1	Balanced	50%	3
Landscape 1	Highly aggregated	55%	10 +
Landscape 2	Highly fragmented	45%	10 +
Landscape 2	Balanced	50%	3
Landscape 2	Highly aggregated	55%	10 +
Landscape 3	Highly fragmented	45%	2
Landscape 3	Balanced	55%	3
Landscape 3	Highly aggregated	55%	10 +
Landscape 4	Highly fragmented	45%	1
Landscape 4	Balanced	50%	2
Landscape 4	Highly aggregated	50%	1
Landscape 5	Highly fragmented	45%	5
Landscape 5	Balanced	55%	2
Landscape 5	Highly aggregated	50%	10 +

> Debriefing

Round #1

Optimising landscape organisation

What is the effect of landscape boundaries?

No detectable effect of landscape boundaries

What is the effect of spatial aggregation?

The proportion of diseased susceptible hosts is generally minimize for highly fragmented landscape, while the number of years before resistance breakdown is generally maximize for highly aggregated landscapes Cereal breeders

Blé Blé bleu. Blé rouge. Blé du Blé hátif.

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Cereal

growers

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Mosaics

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Round #2

Growers: Optimising deployment strategies



You have heard that 2 completely efficient major resistance genes have just been developed by breeders. You want to use them during 10 years (120 days/year) in a system composed of a susceptible (33%, weak aggregation) and 1 or 2 resistant cultivars (with the same proportion).

Among mosaics, mixtures, rotations and pyramiding:

- What is the most efficient strategy in the short term? \geq
- What is the most durable strategy in the long term?



Pyramids

Susceptible crop Resistant crop 1 Resistant crop 2



Rotations in time

Cultivar mixtures



Susceptible crop Mixture (RC1 + RC2)



Susceptible crop Pyramiding







Susceptible crop Resistant crop 2

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Resistant crop 1



<u>Round #2</u>

Breeders: Optimising resistance sources



The scientific literature mentions several possible resistance sources, but they differ in efficiency and adaptation cost for the pathogen. You would like to know their potential in simple mosaics of S + R (50%-50%, weak aggregation) grown for 10 years (120 days/year).

what is the effect of :

- Efficiency of the resistance gene
- Fitness cost of pathogen adaptation
- Note : <u>relative advantage = 0</u>

on resistance efficiency and durability?



percentage of reduction of pathogen targeted aggressiveness component, the infection rate here

fitness penalty paid by a pathogen genotype fully adapted to the resistance gene on any host

ereal growers		Short term	Long term
Landscape structure	Resistant deployment strategy	Proportion of diseased <u>susceptible</u> hosts	Years before resistance breakdown
Landscape 1	Mosaic		
Landscape 1	Mixture		
Landscape 1	Pyramiding		
Landscape 1	Rotation		
Landscape 2	Mosaic		
Landscape 2	Mixture		
Landscape 2	Pyramiding		
Landscape 2	Rotation	Running the <i>landsepi</i> simulator	
Landscape 3	Mosaic	to get the resulands cape structure X	lits for all the
Landscape 3	Mixture	(balanced as	ggregation)
Landscape 3	Pyramiding		
Landscape 3	Rotation		
Landscape 4	Mosaic		
Landscape 4	Mixture		
Landscape 4	Pyramiding		
Landscape 4	Rotation		
Landscape 5	Mosaic		
Landscape 5	Mixture		
Landscape 5	Pyramiding		
Landscape 5	Rotation		

Cereal growers		<u>Short term</u>	Long term
Landscape structure	Resistant deployment strategy	Proportion of diseased <u>susceptible</u> hosts	Years before resistance breakdown
Landscape 1	Mosaic	52%	6
Landscape 1	Mixture	52%	10+
Landscape 1	Pyramiding	50%	7
Landscape 1	Rotation	32%	7
Landscape 2	Mosaic	46%	2
Landscape 2	Mixture	55%	10+
Landscape 2	Pyramiding	46%	9
Landscape 2	Rotation	55%	5
Landscape 3	Mosaic	48%	3
Landscape 3	Mixture	43%	3
Landscape 3	Pyramiding	45%	10+
Landscape 3	Rotation	50%	10+
Landscape 4	Mosaic	41%	2
Landscape 4	Mixture	45%	10+
Landscape 4	Pyramiding	48%	10+
Landscape 4	Rotation	43%	10+
Landscape 5	Mosaic	49%	8
Landscape 5	Mixture	52%	10+
Landscape 5	Pyramiding	53%	10+
Landscape 5	Rotation	46%	10+

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Cereal breeders >

0.1

0.1

Resistant1

Resistant2

2

2

0.1

0.1

2.5

2.5

0

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Lr12	88%			
	00/0	25%	55%	1
Lr13	100%	25%		
Lr16	10%	75%		
Lr22	88%	50%		
Lr34	75%	25%	Running the landsep	r simulator
Lr35	88%	0%	genes (highly fragmente	d aggregation)
Lr37	50%	50%		
Lr46	10%	25%		







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> Cereal breeders

Gene	Efficiency	Adaptation cost	Proportion of diseased hosts in the <u>whole landscape</u>	Years before resistance breakdown
Lr12	88%	25%	25%	1
Lr13	100%	25%	25%	10 +
Lr16	10%	75%	55%	1
Lr22	88%	50%	30%	1
Lr34	75%	25%	40%	1
Lr35	88%	0%	30%	1
Lr37	50%	50%	30%	1
Lr46	10%	25%	55%	1



> Debriefing





Round #2

Growers: Optimising deployment strategies

Among mosaics, mixtures, rotations and pyramiding of 2 major resistance genes:

What is the most efficient strategy in the short term?

Rotation

What is the most durable strategy in the long term?

Pyramiding

Breeders: Optimising resistance sources

Given that several resistance genes are available, what is the effect of :

- > gene efficiency
- fitness cost of pathogen adaptation

on resistance efficiency and durability?

Only a gene efficiency = 100% assured a durability 10 +, A high gene efficiency and adaptation cost assured a better resistant efficiency (better control of the disease)

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Playing on a Pathogen's Weakness: Using Evolution to Guide Sustainable Plant Disease Control Strategies

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> Beyond « square fields in a square landscape »



- Cooperative listened by its members
- A player capable of driving forward actions on a regional scale
- The user association promoted by Elinor Ostrom

> Beyond square fields in a square landscape





What does winegrowers think about R cultivars? How researchers can dialogue with winegrowers for deploying R cultivars?

• Four ateliers with the cooperative cellar growing "Les vignerons des Buzet"



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> Design of strategies

Facteur	Valeur	
Resistant cultivar	Polygenic (PY)	cultivar ResDur 1 (Rpv1-Rpv3.1)
		no limit
	Age > 30 years	max 5% / farmer
		max 20% / farmer
		no limit
Choice of fields planted	Age > 40 years	max 5% / farmer
with R cultivars		max 20% / farmer
	3%/year of the oldest	
	ZNT aquatic	treatment > 0
		treatment = 0
	ZNT neighbouring	treatment > 0
		treatment = 0

> Design of strategies...and Marta doing all the hard work !



Scenario 5: 3% of the oldest fields each year



Soon a popular science comic strip on the subject



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