

1 Mapping of adult plant resistance to net form of net blotch in three
2 Australian barley populations

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11 Net form of net blotch (NFNB), caused by *Pyrenophora teres* Drechs. f. *teres*
12 Smedeg., is a serious disease problem for the barley industry in Australia and other
13 parts of the world. Three doubled haploid barley populations Alexis/Sloop, WI2875-
14 1/Alexis and Arapiles/Franklin were used to identify genes conferring adult plant
15 resistance to NFNB in field trials. Quantitative trait loci (QTLs) identified in this
16 study were specific for adult plant resistance, because seedlings of the parental lines
17 were susceptible to the NFNB isolates used in this study. QTLs associated with adult
18 plant resistance to NFNB were identified on chromosomes 2H, 3H, 4H and 7H in both
19 the Alexis/Sloop and WI2875-1/Alexis populations and on chromosomes 1H, 2H and
20 7H in the Arapiles/Franklin population. Using QTLNetwork, epistatic interactions
21 were identified between loci on chromosome 3H and 6H in the Alexis/Sloop
22 population, between 2H and 4H in the WI2875-1/Alexis population and between 5H
23 and 7H in the Arapiles/Franklin population. Comparisons with earlier studies of
24 NFNB resistance indicate the pathotype-dependent nature of many resistance QTLs

1 and the importance of establishing an international system of pathotype nomenclature
2 and differential testing.

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4 **Introduction**

5 Net blotch, caused by the fungus *Pyrenophora teres*, is a serious production problem
6 for the barley (*Hordeum vulgare* L.) industry both in Australia and elsewhere (Graner
7 *et al.* 1996; Gupta *et al.* 2003; Manninen *et al.* 2000; Steffenson *et al.* 1996). Two
8 forms of net blotch are recognised: the net form, caused by *P. teres* f. *teres* and the
9 spot form caused by *P. teres* Drechs. f. *maculata* Smedeg. Cluster analysis of spot and
10 net form isolates obtained from different Sardinian landraces of barley has separated
11 the isolates into two strongly divergent groups corresponding to the net and spot
12 forms (Rau *et al.* 2003). Lesions of net form of net blotch (NFNB) initially appear as
13 minute spots or streaks and then spread to form narrow, dark brown longitudinal
14 streaks. Transverse lines may also form, giving the lesions a net-like appearance
15 (Parry 1990). Lesions may be surrounded by areas of chlorosis and large areas of dead
16 tissue may be present. Lesions of spot form of net blotch are of dark brown colour and
17 elliptical in shape surrounded by a chlorotic margin (Parry 1990). As it can be
18 difficult to distinguish between spot and net form lesions, a number of polymerase
19 chain reaction based assays have been developed that differentiate spot form and net
20 form isolates (Keiper *et al.* 2007; Leisova *et al.* 2005; Williams *et al.* 2001). NFNB
21 can cause a substantial reduction in grain quality and yield losses approaching 100%
22 are reported, although losses in the order of 10 to 40% are more typical (Mathre
23 1997).

24 *P. teres* f. *teres* is a highly variable pathogen and at least thirteen different pathotypes
25 have been identified in Australia (Platz *et al.* 2000.) This variability, combined with

1 the adoption of reduced or zero tillage practices has increased the incidence of NFNB
2 significantly in recent years. A major objective of the Australian barley breeding
3 program is to increase resistance to this disease in commercially grown barley
4 varieties. Cultivated barley lines that are resistant to NFNB at both the seedling and
5 adult growth stages have been identified (Gupta *et al.* 2003). Mapping of the
6 resistance genes or QTLs in these lines would facilitate their pyramiding in new
7 barley cultivars.

8 Several Australian studies have sought to identify QTLs for seedling resistance (SLR)
9 to NFNB (Cakir *et al.* 2003; Emebiri *et al.* 2005; Raman *et al.* 2003). Seedling
10 resistance is initially observed in 2-3 week old seedlings challenged with fungal
11 inoculum in glasshouse pot trials and is expressed through to maturity in the field.
12 Cakir *et al.* (2003) identified a SLR QTL with a large effect on chromosome 6H and
13 two lesser QTLs on chromosomes 2H and 3H in a population derived from the cross
14 Tallon/Kaputar. Based on the NFNB reactions to isolate NB34, Raman *et al.* (2003)
15 reported QTLs for NFNB SLR from three mapping populations: Alexis/Sloop,
16 WI2875-1(a Sloop sib)/Alexis and Arapiles/Franklin. In the first population, a QTL
17 on chromosome 3HL was contributed by Alexis and a possible QTL on 2HS was
18 contributed by Sloop. The same 3HL and 2HS QTLs were identified in the WI2875-
19 1/Alexis population. In the Arapiles/Franklin population one QTL was detected on
20 2HS, two were located on 3HL and a further QTL was identified on 2HL. All
21 resistance QTLs in this cross were contributed by Franklin with the exception of one
22 of the QTLs on 3HL. In a separate study using the isolate NB77, a QTL for SLR to
23 NFNB was identified in a similar region on 2HS from the Franklin-derived line,
24 VB9524 (Emebiri *et al.* 2005).

1 Since seedling assays fail to detect adult plant resistance (i.e. resistance that is
2 manifested in mature plants but not in the younger, seedling stages), trials to assess
3 adult plant resistance (APR) are sown in the field with ratings taken after heading.
4 The existence of APR to NFNB has been documented in barley field and glasshouse
5 trials both in Australia and overseas (Tekauz 1986, Jonsson *et al.* 1998, Platz 2001)
6 and this type of resistance has been effective against NFNB in southern Australia for
7 several decades. In North America, Steffenson *et al.* (1996) have identified QTLs for
8 resistance expressed in field trials on chromosomes 2H, 3H, 4H, 5H, 6H and 7H in a
9 Steptoe/Morex population. Only one Australian study to date has reported on QTLs
10 conferring resistance to NFNB in adult plants (Cakir *et al.* 2003). This study resulted
11 in the identification of a QTL ($R^2 = 65\%$) in the region of marker Ebmac874 on
12 chromosome 6H in a Tallon/Kaputar population suggesting expression of the
13 previously identified SLR QTL at this location.
14 Here we investigate the genetic control of APR to NFNB in three Australian barley
15 populations. Our goal was to determine which QTLs were the major contributors to
16 resistance in the field in order to discover which independent genetic regions might be
17 combined with SLR loci in a marker assisted selection program seeking to provide
18 stable resistance against the NFNB pathogen.

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20 **Materials and methods**

21 *Plant material and linkage maps*

22 Two doubled haploid (DH) populations Alexis/Sloop and Arapiles/Franklin and one
23 population of recombinant inbred lines established by single seed descent, WI2875-
24 1/Alexis, were screened for resistance in field plots for reaction to NFNB. These
25 populations were developed by the Australian National Barley Molecular Marker

1 program (NBMMP, Barr *et al.* 2003; D.B. Moody *et al.* unpublished data). Sloop
2 (breeding line WI2875-22) and WI2875-1 (designated Sloop-sib) were reselected in
3 the F₆ from the F₂-derived breeders' line WI2875 (Barr *et al.* 2003). Sloop, WI2875-1
4 and Arapiles demonstrate classical APR to certain NFNB isolates, against which they
5 are susceptible as seedlings yet resistant at adult growth stages. Sloop was used as the
6 male parent in the Alexis/Sloop DH population, whereas selection WI2875-1 was
7 used as the female parent in the recombinant inbred population, WI2875-1/Alexis.
8 The Alexis/Sloop (Al/S) population consists of 111 lines, the WI2875-1/Alexis
9 (W/Al) population consists of 153 and the Arapiles/Franklin (Ar/F) population of 225
10 lines. Linkage maps for all three populations had previously been constructed (Barr *et*
11 *al.* 2003; Willsmore *et al.* 2006) using restriction fragment length polymorphisms
12 (RFLPs), simple sequence repeats (SSRs) and amplified fragment length
13 polymorphisms (AFLPs).

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15 *Pathogen isolates and NFNB APR screening*

16 The three populations were screened in the field at the Hermitage Research Station,
17 Queensland. Each population was phenotyped in both 2004 and 2005, while the Ar/F
18 population was also screened in 2003. Treatments (lines) were randomised and grown
19 in two replicates. Plots were sown as either short rows (0.5 m with 0.5 m in-row gap)
20 or hill plots at 0.5 m centres, parallel with and 75 cm distant from spreader rows of a
21 NFNB susceptible cultivar. Spreader rows were inoculated with field collected
22 conidia of isolates NB329 (2003) and NB329 and NB333 (2004) and diseased straw
23 of NB330 (2005). Three different isolates were used due to issues of insufficient
24 inoculum availability at the time. Earlier tests across a range of resistant host
25 genotypes had indicated that these isolates were of the same pathotype (Platz,

1 unpublished). Epidemics were promoted using supplementary sprinkler irrigation.
2 Disease reaction was scored after flowering when the level of disease in susceptible
3 lines appeared to be at a maximum. Notes were taken using a 0 – 9 scale based on the
4 type and size of the lesions with 0 = immune, 3 = moderately resistant, 5 = moderately
5 susceptible, 7 = susceptible, and 9 = very susceptible. Disease readings were taken
6 once in 2003 and 2004 and twice, two weeks apart, in 2005.

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8 *QTL analysis*

9 For the QTL analyses, a number of AFLP markers that clustered together were
10 removed from the maps. The total number of markers used in the AI/S map was 191,
11 while 200 and 253 markers were used in the W/AI and Ar/F maps, respectively. Two
12 software packages were used for the QTL analyses, namely Windows QTL
13 Cartographer Version 2.5 (Wang *et al.* 2006) and QTLNetwork-2.0beta (Yang and
14 Zhu 2005). Data were averaged across replicates for composite interval mapping
15 analysis by QTL Cartographer (QTLCart) and results were produced for each year.
16 With QTLNetwork (QTLNet), data for all replicates and years were entered and
17 analysed simultaneously. Epistatic interactions were also examined. QTL effects were
18 considered to be significant if the log-likelihood (LOD) score was ≥ 3 or $P < 0.0002$.
19 The naming convention for the identified QTL uses the format '*QNFNBAPR.AL/S-*
20 *2H*' indicating a QTL for resistance to NFNB, followed by 'APR' or 'SLR' indicating
21 whether it is an adult plant or seedling resistance QTL. This is followed by the cross
22 in which the QTL was identified and the chromosome on which the QTL was
23 mapped.

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25 **Results**

1 *Phenotyping*

2 Prior to the field assessments, all parental lines were inoculated with isolate NB330 in
3 seedling pot trials. All parents scored a highly susceptible seedling disease rating of
4 10, based on a 1 to 10 scale (Tekauz 1985) (Table 1).

5 In the field, the disease severity on adult plants was higher in 2005 (assessments 1 and
6 2) than in 2003 and 2004 (Figure 1, Table 1). Mean scores for the Ar/F population
7 were 5.7, 6.4, 4.0 and 3.1, respectively. In all three populations only a small number
8 of lines had slightly lower scores than the resistant parent. Distributions of the
9 phenotypic scores are presented in Figure 1.

10 Table 1 & Figure 1

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12 *QTL analysis*

13 Prior to QTL analysis, a number of AFLP markers that clustered together were
14 removed from the maps. The resulting total genetic map distances of the maps were
15 1281, 1521 and 1250 cM for the Al/S, W/Al and Ar/F maps, respectively with an
16 average distance of 6.7, 7.6 and 4.9 cM between markers for each of the maps.

17 For the QTL analyses, the data from individual years were analysed using the
18 composite interval mapping function in QTLCart. The full set of data was also
19 analysed simultaneously by QTLNet to produce an overall percentage phenotypic
20 variance explained across all years. Summaries of the analyses are presented in Table
21 2. LOD scores and the percentage phenotypic variance explained are listed for the
22 QTLCart analyses. The phenotypic variances explained are listed for significant ($P <$
23 0.0002) QTL detected by QTLNet analyses.

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25 Table 2

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2 *Alexis/Sloop*

3 In the Al/S population, NFNB resistance QTLs were identified on chromosome arms
4 3HL, 4HL, 7HS and 7HL and in the centromeric region of chromosomes 2H and 4H.
5 QTLs with the highest LOD scores were located on chromosome 2HC and 3HL (LOD
6 scores in 2005 were 11.2 and 15.6, respectively; Table 2). The highest variances
7 explained by these QTLs were 19 and 30% for the 2HC and 3HL QTLs, respectively.
8 For all QTLs, APR alleles were contributed by Sloop with the exception of the QTL
9 on 7HS which was from Alexis. Similar results were computed by QTLNet with
10 QTLs located in the same region as those indicated by QTLCart (Table 2, Figure 2). A
11 difference was observed on chromosome 4H with only one QTL being detected by
12 QTLNet (flanking markers P13/M50-110 and P13/M51-252) whereas two QTLs were
13 detected by QTLCart, i.e. *QNFBAPR.Al/S-4Ha* and *QNFBAPR.Al/S-4Hb* (Figure
14 2). Overall the variance explained calculated by QTLNet was lower than the variance
15 explained calculated by QTLCart.

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17 *WI2875-1/Alexis*

18 The QTLs on chromosome regions 2HC, 3HL and 4HL associated with NFNB APR
19 in the W/Al population were located in the same regions as those in the Al/S
20 population (Figure 2). A QTL was located on chromosome 5HS, which was not
21 identified in the Al/S population. The highest LOD score of 4.8 was observed for the
22 QTL on 4HL and the variance explained by this QTL was 12% (Table 2). A number
23 of differences were observed between the results produced by QTLCart (2004 and
24 2005) and QTLNet (Table 2). The QTLs on 2HC and 4HL were not identified by
25 QTLNet. The QTLs on 7HS and 7HL in the same regions as the QTLs in Al/S were

1 identified with QTLNet, but were not detected by QTLCart. With QTLNet, the
2 highest variance (17.2%) was explained by the QTL on 3HL. The QTL on 7HS was
3 the only QTL contributed by the parent Alexis, all other QTLs were contributed by
4 W2875-1.

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6 *Arapiles/Franklin*

7 Analyses of the data with QTLCart indicated that a QTL on chromosome 1HS
8 explained from 9 to 12% of the phenotypic variance across the different years (Table
9 2, Figure 2). QTLs were also identified from the 2005 single year data on
10 chromosomes 2HS and 7HS explaining 16.4 and 6.9% of the phenotypic variance,
11 respectively. The 1HS, 2HS and 7HS QTLs were confirmed by the QTLNet analyses,
12 but the percentage variance explained was less than with QTLCart. All QTL were
13 contributed by the resistant parent Arapiles. Only the 7HS QTL was located in the
14 same region as a QTL from the Al/S and W/Al populations (Figure 2).

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Figure 2

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17 *Epistatic interactions*

18 QTLNet identified a number of epistatic interactions of which several were significant
19 at $P < 0.0002$. An interaction explaining 5.1% of the phenotypic variance in the Al/S
20 population was observed between regions on chromosome 3H (Sloop) and 6H
21 (Alexis) which, when considered alone, did not have additive effects (Figure 2).

22 Another epistatic interaction was indicated between loci on 2H and 4H from Alexis in
23 the W/Al population. This interaction contributed 4.2% to the phenotypic variance. In
24 the Ar/F population a significant interaction was observed between a region on

1 chromosome 5H and a region coincident with the 7HS QTL, explaining 11.8% of the
2 phenotypic variance. Both regions were contributed by Arapiles.

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4 **Discussion**

5 We have investigated three Australian barley populations for genetic regions
6 controlling APR to NFNB. Overall more QTLs were identified in the 2005 field trials
7 and in almost all cases LOD scores were higher. This is probably linked to the higher
8 levels of disease severity recorded in 2005 in comparison to the other years (Figure 1).
9 In all three populations only a small number of lines had lower scores than the more
10 resistant parent (Figure 1). Given the error inherent in a visual scoring system, this
11 suggests a lack of transgressive segregation, a conclusion supported by the results of
12 the QTL analysis, which indicate that the relatively susceptible parents in each
13 population donated, at most, one minor APR QTL.

14 Six QTLs associated with NFNB APR were identified in the Al/S and W/Al
15 populations with 5 of these occurring in the same genomic regions in both populations
16 (2HC, 3HL, 4HL, 7HS and 7HL), suggesting that largely the same genes were
17 contributing to the expression of resistance. The Al/S and the W/Al populations are
18 closely related since Sloop and WI2875-1 are different F₆ selections derived from the
19 breeding line WI2875, a Norbert/Schooner cross; however, Al/S was produced as a
20 doubled haploid population while the W/Al population consists of recombinant inbred
21 lines. One difference observed between the Al/S and W/Al populations was the QTL
22 on 4HC contributed by Sloop in the Al/S population, but not detected in the W/Al
23 population. A second difference was a QTL on 5HS contributed by WI2875-1 in the
24 W/Al population, but not detected in the Al/S population. These effects could be due
25 to the presence of different chromosomal regions in the sibling lines Sloop and

1 WI2875-1. To test this theory, we examined the SSR haplotype for WI2875-1 and
2 Sloop in these QTL regions. Different size alleles (data not shown) were observed for
3 markers (Bmag606, Bmag375 and Bmac181) on 4H, suggesting that the 4HC
4 chromosomal region associated with resistance in Sloop was not present in WI2875-1.
5 In contrast the haplotype on 5HS was the same in both lines. The QTL on 5HS was
6 significant in the W/AI population in only one of the two years (LOD>3) and
7 expression may be environmentally dependent.

8 The Ar/F population bears similar parentage to the AI/S and W/AI populations. Both
9 the NFNB APR susceptible parents Alexis and Franklin are derivatives of Triumph.
10 Arapiles (breeding line/Domen) and Sloop both have Proctor and CI3576 in their
11 pedigrees (Raman *et al.* 2003). Despite these genetic similarities between the
12 populations, of the three QTLs detected in the Ar/F population, only
13 *QNFBAPR.Ar/F-7H* overlapped with QTLs in the AI/S and W/AI populations. This
14 suggested that at least two unique QTLs for NFNB APR resistance were expressed in
15 Ar/F and were not significant in the other two populations.

16 Prior to the field assessments of the populations all parents were assessed for seedling
17 resistance by inoculating them with isolate NB330 when they were 23-24 days old.

18 All parents had a disease score of 10 indicating that they were susceptible at the
19 seedling stage. Raman *et al.* (2003) tested the same parents for seedling resistance
20 using the isolate NB34. With this isolate Alexis and Sloop had disease ratings of 6.5
21 and 9, respectively and Franklin and Arapiles had disease ratings of 3 and 8,
22 respectively (Raman *et al.* 2003). Raman *et al.* (2003) mapped the genomic regions
23 associated with NFNB SLR in the same three populations and found that similar
24 regions were involved in SLR to NFNB in all three populations. In this case, Alexis
25 and Franklin were the parents which donated the SLR alleles. The location of the SLR

1 QTLs on chromosomes 2H and 3H are illustrated in Figure 2 (thick bars). The
2 seedling QTLs on 2HS in the W/AI (*QNFNBSLR.W/AI-2Hb*) and Ar/F
3 (*QNFNBSLR.Ar/F-2H*) populations and on 3HL in the AI/S (*QNFNBSLR.AI/S-3H*)
4 and W/AI (*QNFNBSLR.W/AI-3H*) populations were in a similar location as the APR
5 QTLs identified in these populations in this study. The SLR QTL on 2H was
6 contributed by Franklin whereas the APR QTL was contributed by Arapiles, and the
7 SLR QTL on 3H were contributed by Alexis whereas the APR QTL were contributed
8 by Sloop. These differences almost certainly result from the use of isolates from
9 apparently different pathotypes in the two studies. For example, isolate NB34 in the
10 SLR study (Raman *et al.* 2003) is avirulent on Franklin (rating =3) and moderately
11 virulent on Alexis (rating = 6.5) while isolate NB330, used in this study, is virulent on
12 both these lines (rating = 10, Table 1). Afanasenko *et al.* (2007) tested isolates
13 obtained from a number of different geographical regions on twelve resistant barley
14 accessions and also found that seedling resistance is pathotype-specific.

15 The 2H region associated with APR to NFNB in the AI/S and W/AI populations also
16 appeared to be associated with SLR in the Tallon/Kaputar population (determined
17 using isolate NB97) (Cakir *et al.* 2003). An SLR QTL identified on 4H in the
18 Halcyon/Sloop and Steptoe/Morex populations (Raman *et al.* 2003; Read *et al.* 2003;
19 Steffenson *et al.* 1996) was in the same region as *QNFNBAPR.AI/S-4Ha*. Thus, it
20 seems that even though different sets of genes may be involved in SLR and APR,
21 some of the genomic regions involved are similar. It remains to be discovered whether
22 QTLs in different populations which co-locate are allelic or represent different
23 members of a gene cluster. A QTL for SLR that was also associated with resistance in
24 adult plants was identified on chromosome 6H in a number of studies (Cakir *et al.*
25 2003; Emebiri *et al.* 2005; Friesen *et al.* 2006; Manninen *et al.* 2000; Richter *et al.*

1 1998; Spaner *et al.* 1998; Steffenson *et al.* 1996). This QTL was not detected in our
2 study. The APR QTLs on chromosomes 2HS, 3HL and 7HS identified in our study
3 were in a similar region to the APR QTLs identified in a North American study
4 (Steffenson *et al.*, 1996) using the Steptoe/Morex population. These QTLs were not
5 detected in seedlings and therefore are QTLs which only operate as APR QTLs.

6 Two QTL analysis packages were used in this study, QTLCart to analyse data
7 from individual years and QTLNet to analyse the data across all years. At most loci,
8 similar results were obtained from both programs; however, there were some
9 differences. A QTL on 2HC in the W/Al population that was significant according to
10 QTLCart was not identified by QTLNet. Conversely QTL on 7H in the W/Al cross
11 were detected only by QTLNet. Such differences in QTL estimations by different
12 software packages were also observed by Ma *et al.* (2006). Overall the percentage of
13 phenotypic variance explained was lower in the QTLNet analysis than in the QTLCart
14 analyses. This difference could have been due to the different methods used by the
15 two programs to calculate the phenotypic variance. QTLCart uses the coefficient of
16 determination of a QTL by regression analysis to calculate the phenotypic variance,
17 whereas the QTLNet method uses the variance of the additive effect divided by the
18 phenotypic variance (Yang 2006, pers comm.). The percentage of phenotypic variance
19 explained may also have been different because it was calculated across all years with
20 QTLNet and for individual years with QTLCart.

21 Significant epistasis was detected in the Al/S population between regions on 3HL and
22 6HC using the analysis available in QTLNet. These regions may be coincident with
23 QTLs identified in other studies. A SLR QTL on 3HL was previously identified in the
24 Ar/F population by Raman *et al.* (2003). SLR has also previously been identified in
25 the vicinity of the 6HC region by Steffenson *et al.* (1996) in the Steptoe/Morex

1 population and Friesen et al. (2006) in the Q21861/SM89010 population. In the W/Al
2 population, epistasis between regions on 2H and 4H was significant. The 2H region is
3 near a previously reported SLR QTL for NFNB and the region on 4H is near an APR
4 QTL for NFNB (Figure 2). In the Ar/F population, an interaction was observed
5 between the APR QTL on 7HS and a region on 5H. Several epistatic interactions were
6 identified by QTLNet, but because most of these explained less than 4% of the
7 phenotypic variance, the genomic regions involved would probably not be critical
8 targets in a marker-assisted selection program.

9 A confounding factor in comparing this work to earlier studies has been pathogen
10 variability and the use of different pathogen isolates by different research groups.
11 Given that a race structure is recognised but poorly characterised in *P. teres*
12 (Afanasenko *et al.* 2007; Gupta *et al.* 2003; Platz *et al.* 2000; Serenius *et al.* 2007),
13 thorough testing of promising resistant materials against a wide range of isolates is
14 essential. It is equally essential that the *P. teres* pathotypes used in genetic and
15 molecular studies are clearly identified, as this can have a significant effect on
16 interpretation and comparison of the data. Following discussions in Edmonton,
17 Canada at the 3rd International Workshop on Barley Leaf Blights in July 2006,
18 attempts are underway to establish an international differential set of host lines for
19 determination of NFNB pathogenic races, coupled with an international naming
20 convention for each race identified. Such a differential set will aid the identification of
21 which pathogenic races individual isolates belong to and enable researchers to identify
22 race-specific and race non-specific (if they exist) QTLs for both seedling and adult
23 plant resistance.

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Table 1: NFNB seedling (SLR) and adult plant reaction (APR) values of the parental lines and mean values of the populations across three years (isolates NB330, NB329 and NB333 have the same seedling pathotype).

Table 2: QTL Cartographer results for the populations Al/S, W/Al and Ar/F are given in LOD scores (LOD) and % variance explained (%var) for each year. Significant QTL effects computed by QTL Network (All) for the combined data are given in % variance explained.

Table 1

Isolate	2003		2004	2005(1)	2005(2)
	SLR NB330	APR NB329	APR NB329 & NB333	APR NB330	APR NB330
Alexis	10		6.5	7.5	8.0
Sloop/WI2875-1	10		1.5	4.0	4.5
Arapiles	10	2	3.5	4.5	6.3
Franklin	10	5.5	5.0	7.5	8.0
AI/S			2.5	5.5	6.1
W/AI			3.0	6.1	6.7
Ar/F		4.0	3.1	5.7	6.4

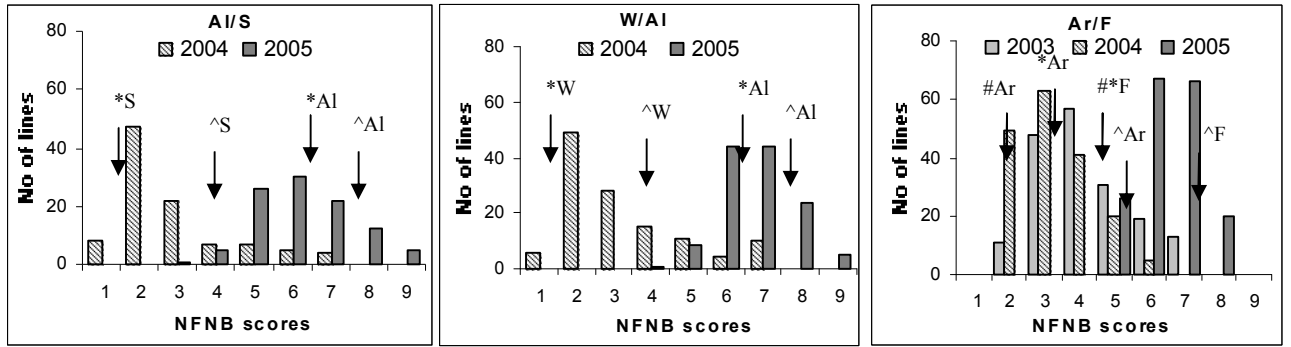
Table 2

Chr	Alexis/Sloop					W12875-1/Alexis					Arapiles/Franklin						
	2004		2005		All	2004		2005		All	2003		2004		2005		All
	LOD	%var	LOD	%var	%var	LOD	%var	LOD	%var	%var	LOD	%var	LOD	%var	LOD	%var	%var
1HS											3.3	10.9	3.07	12.10	2.88	8.90	3.7
2HS															3.18	16.40	1.3
2HC	5.2	14.5	11.2	19.2	9.6	3.21	10.7	3.61	8.50								
3HL	5.3	17.6	15.6	30.4	16.6	2.82	9.6	3.97	11.00	17.2							
4HC	3.7	10.7	7.5	14.0	10.6												
4HL			4.6	9.8		2.57	7.4	4.83	12.10								
5HS						2.38	8.0	4.05	12.30	6.4							
7HS	2.8	7.3	5.9	8.7	3.7										3.01	6.90	3.7
7HL			7.0	11.0	5.0					2.7							

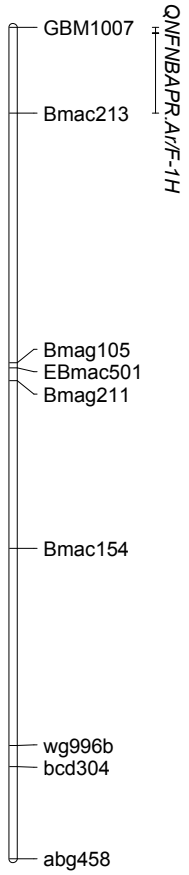
Figure 1. Frequency distribution of NFNB scores of the Al/S, W/Al and Ar/F populations across a number of years (2005 = average of 2 assessments). Parental scores are indicated (Al=Alexis, S=Sloop, W=WI2875-1, Ar=Arapiles, F=Franklin, #=2003, *=2004, ^=2005).

Figure 2. Approximate chromosomal locations of NFNB QTLs for APR (thin bars) and SLR (thick bars) (Raman *et al.* 2003) for barley populations Al/S, W/Al and Ar/F. Map construction was based on segregating markers across the three population. Map distances are not given as marker positions are approximations. * Denotes epistatic interactions in the indicated populations.

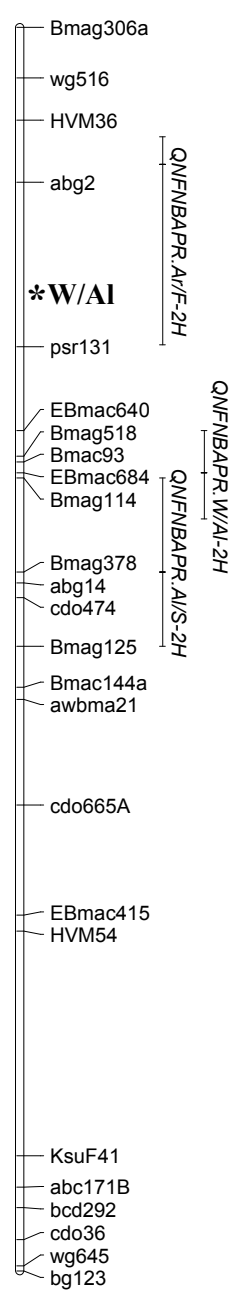
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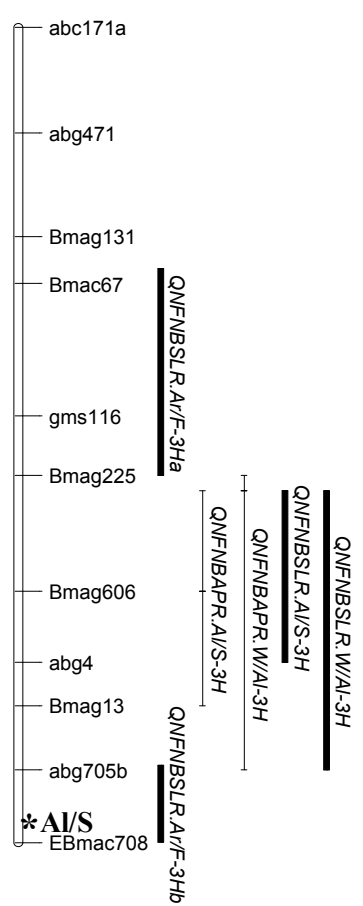
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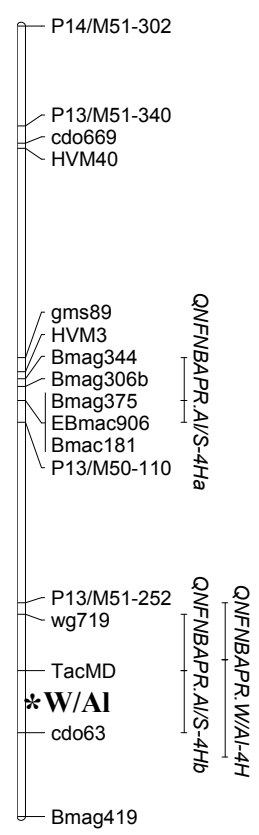
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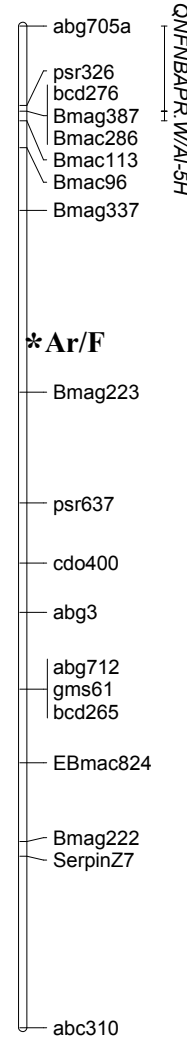
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