Update on Resistance to Banded Sunflower Moth in USDA Inbreds and Related Germplasm



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Presentation Outline

Update on mapping insect traits

- BSM and glandular trichome population
 - Test of 'secondary' explanation for variation

- BSM and R-line susceptibility
 - Inbred correlation with hybrids (common parent)

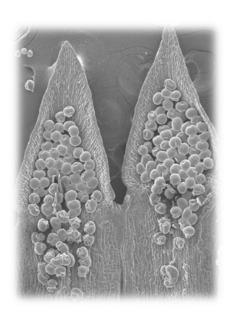
Update on mapping insect traits

- Glandular trichome variation (#)
 - Two QTL found
 - doi: 10.3389/fpls.2017.02227



- Found one marker in mapping effort
- More work needed to refine interval, validate

Brent can provide additional details

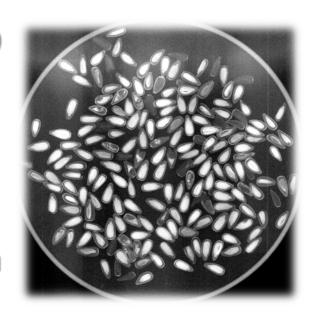


BSM and Trichome Number



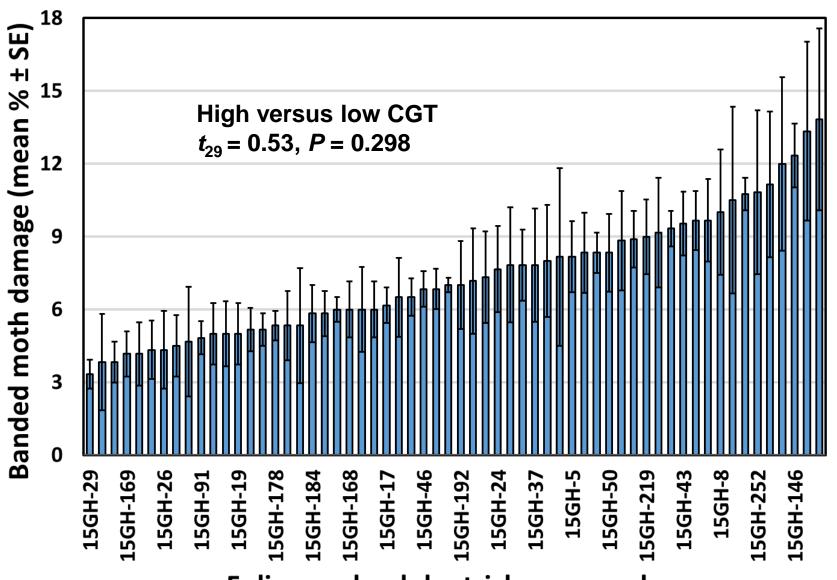
- HA 300 × RHA 464 for mapping
 - Trait against sunflower moth
 - Trichome extracts active against many insects

- Banded moths in Casselton, ND
 - F5 30 high, 30 low CGT lines
 - F6 22 high, 27 low " " "
 - 5 replicates each year
 - X-ray achenes for % damage data



Trichome Number, 2016

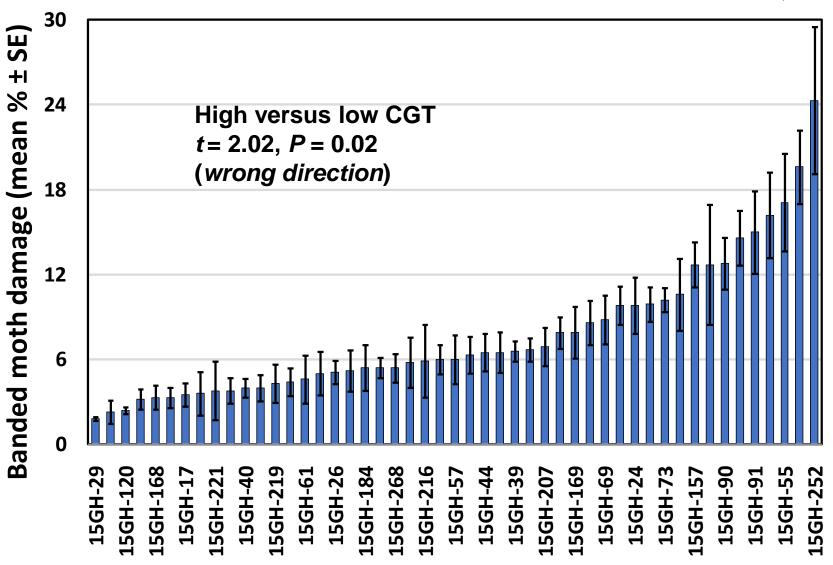




F₅ lines - glandular trichome number

Trichome Number, 2017

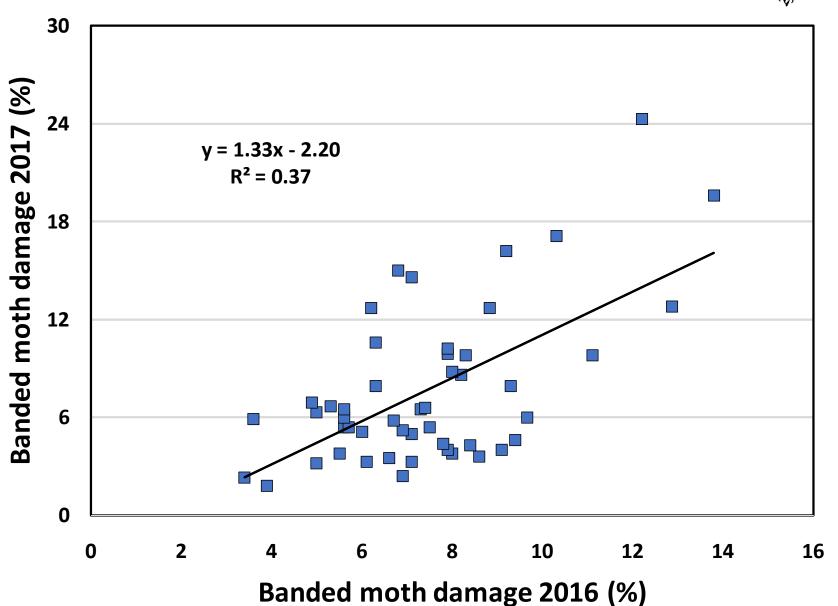




F₆ lines - glandular trichome number

Trichome Number, 2016–2017





Trichome Number



Why weren't high CGT lines better?

- Banded moth ≠ sunflower moth
- STL composition limits effects

- Other traits (pericarp strength)
 - Tested 10 least, most damaged in 2017
 - Least damaged lines NOT tougher



BSM and **USDA** R-lines

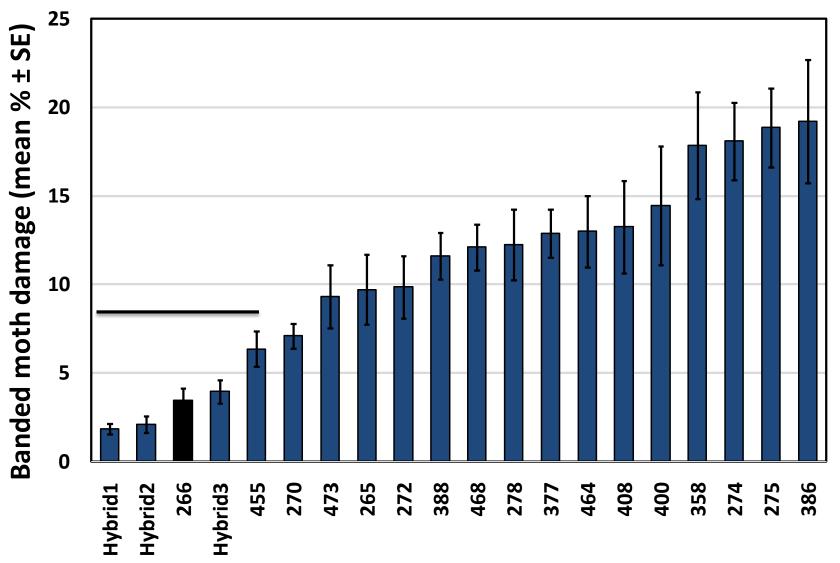


- Tested in 2013–2015 in Casselton, ND
 - Overlapping trial showed variation in B-lines
 - doi: 10.4039/tce.2016.32 (or email me)
 - Also compared R-lines to commercial hybrids

- Testing inbred-hybrid correlation
 - Use all B-lines x common male (RHA 266)
 - 5 replicates each year
 - 2016 data complete, 2017 still going

BSM and R-lines, 2013-2015

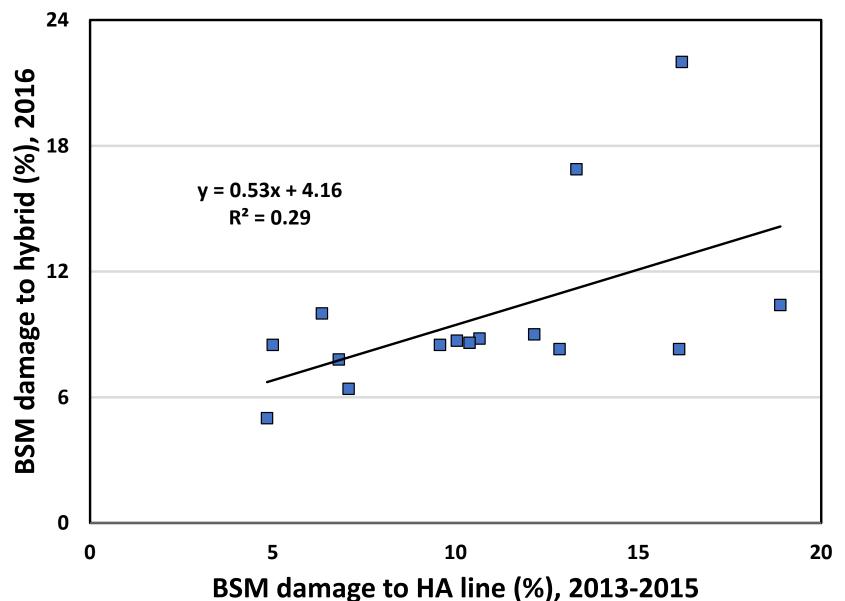




Inbred restorer (RHA) line

R-lines and Hybrids (RHA 266)





Summary

- No glandular trichome benefit in 2016–2017
 - Seed damage not explained by pericarp strength

- BSM damage USDA inbreds varies
 - Best R-line seemed to benefit most hybrids

- Resistance not explained by known traits
 - Map without understanding mechanism?

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