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Impact of *Fusarium* head blight resistance on wheat variety registration in Western Canada

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Canada 

Canadian wheat

- 2019 Spring wheat production: 32 MMT
- Spring wheat export: 15 MMT (up to October 2019)

Total Wheat Area Planted (hectares)

Area Planted	2018/2019	2019/2020	Percent change
Durum	2,503,100	1,980,400	-21%
Spring wheat	7,005,500	7,956,900	14%
Winter wheat	501,000	376,000	-25%
All wheat	10,009,640	9,953,300	-1%

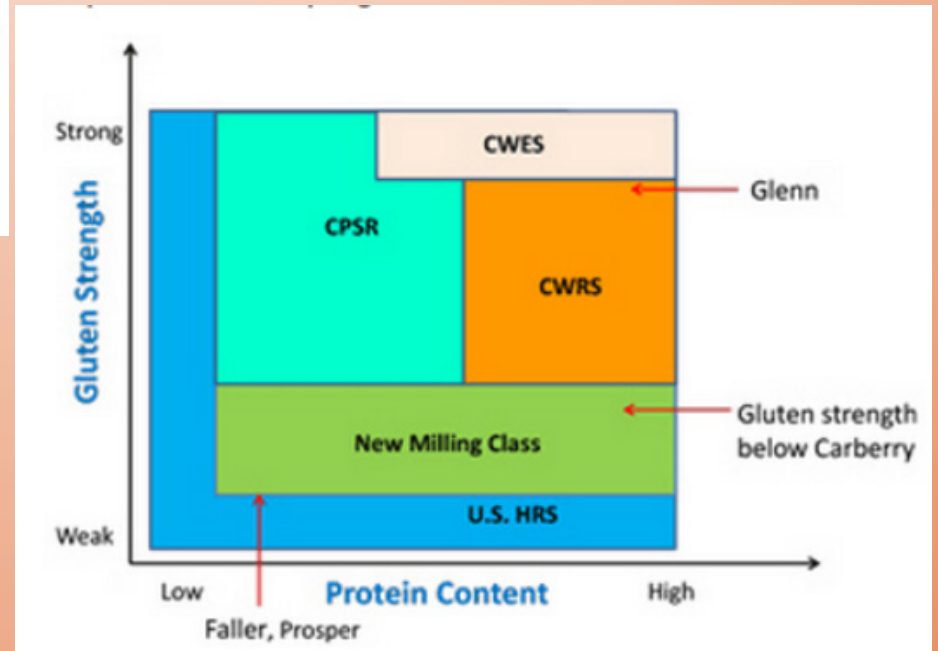
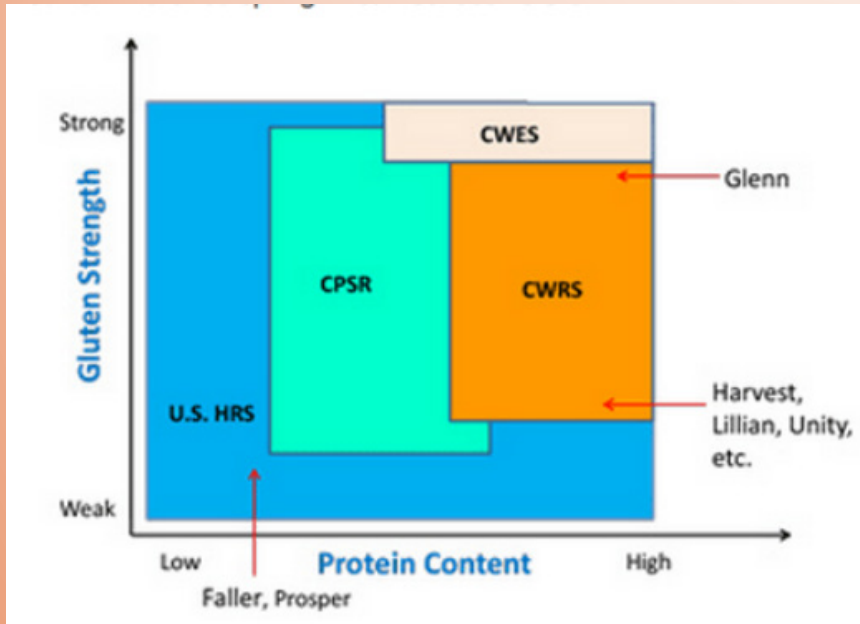
Wheat exporters

- Russia: US\$8.4 billion (20.5% of total wheat exports)
- Canada: \$5.7 billion (13.8%)
- United States: \$5.5 billion (13.2%)
- France: \$4.1 billion (10%)
- Australia: \$3.1 billion (7.5%)
- Ukraine: \$3 billion (7.3%)
- Argentina: \$2.4 billion (5.9%)

Major wheat classes in Canada

2018 Western Canada insured wheat acreage by class	
CWRS	11,550,371
CPS	646,685
CNHR	301,932
CWSWS	259,842
CWRW	129,096
CWSP	127,751
CWHWS	9,478
CWES	525

Canadian wheat class modernization



Western Canadian wheat breeding

Northern Production Area – Early Maturity, Grade Protection

Beaverlodge (CWRS)

Lacombe

Saskatoon

Lethbridge

Swift Current

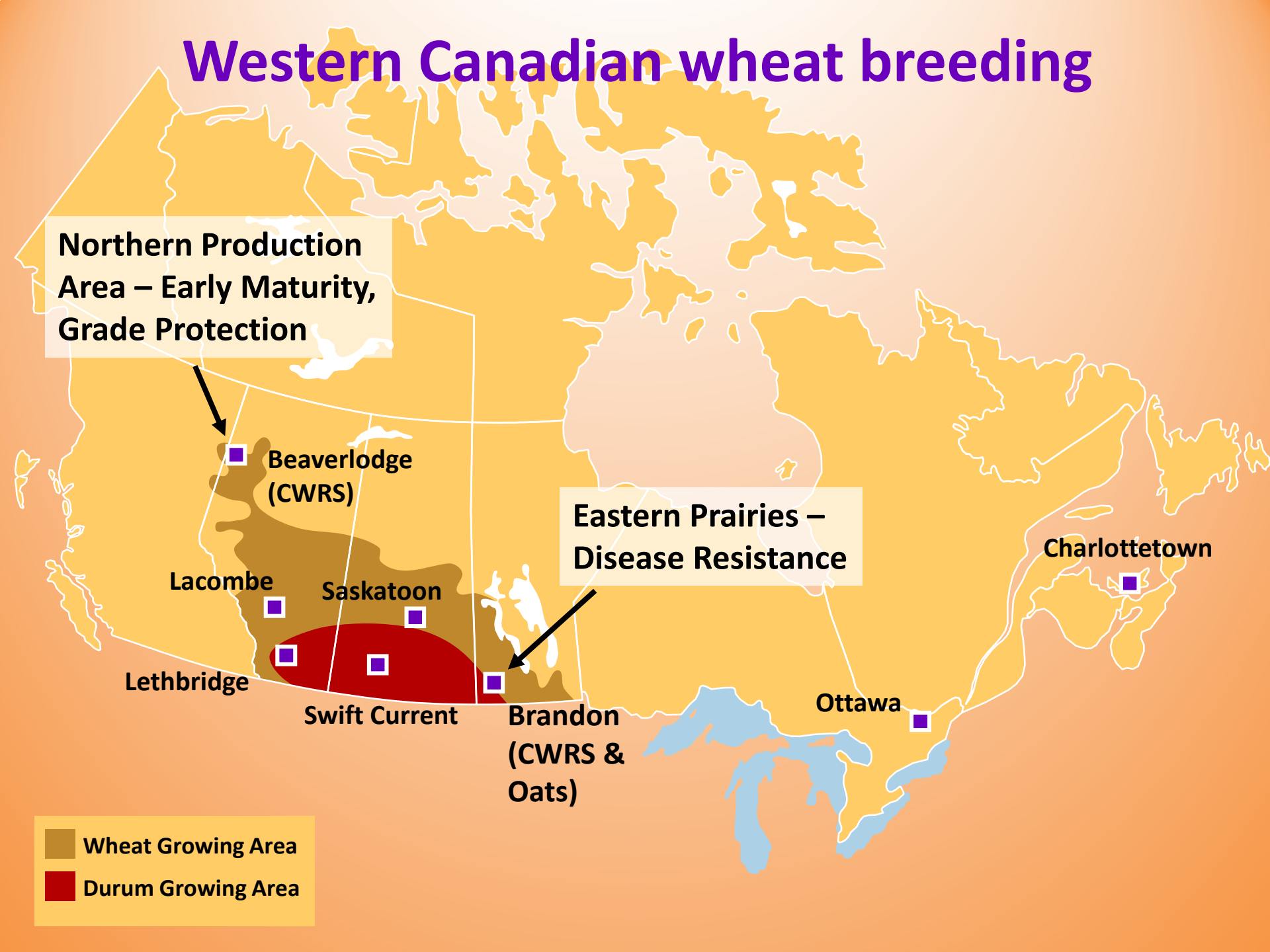
Brandon (CWRS & Oats)

Eastern Prairies – Disease Resistance

Charlottetown

Ottawa

- Wheat Growing Area
- Durum Growing Area

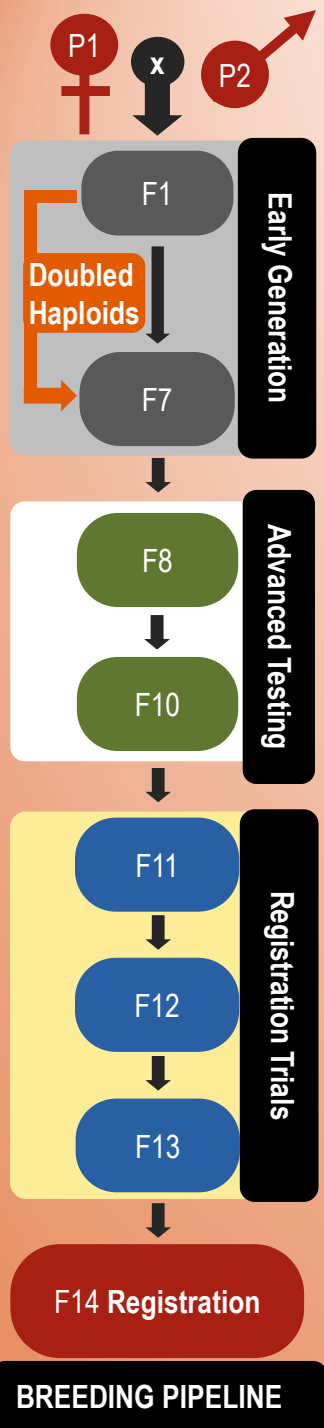


Breeding cycle 12 years

Agronomic Objectives
(yield, maturity, height, lodging)

Disease objectives
(rusts, FHB, bunt)

Quality objectives
(don't ask)





ABOUT PRAIRIE GRAIN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Prairie Grain Development Committee (PGDC) is a forum for the exchange of information relevant to the development of improved cultivars of grain crops for the western Canadian prairies.

The four independent recommending committees are responsible for the testing, evaluation, and recommending of grain crop candidate cultivars for registration in Western Canada:

- Prairie Recommending Committee for Wheat, Rye and Triticale (PRCWRT)
- Prairie Recommending Committee for Oat and Barley (PRCOB)
- Prairie Recommending Committee for Pulse & Special Crops (PRCPCSC)
- Prairie Recommending Committee for Oilseeds (PRCO)

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PULSE & SPECIAL CROPS



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PGDC NEWS

Nov. 18, 2019

The Annual Meeting page has been updated with 2020 meeting information. The timelines and cost of early registration as well as the hotel room costs for the meeting in Winnipeg have been added.

PGDC ANNUAL MEETING DATES

2020 Feb. 25th - Feb. 27th Winnipeg, Delta Winnipeg

2021 Feb. 23rd - Feb. 25th Banff, Banff Centre

To learn more information about the [CFIA ACIA - 7730947 - v2F - VRO-2018-19-RC-OP-PRCWRT Prairie wheat committees operating procedures March 2019 TZ](#), please view the document in PDF format.

Agronomic performance

WHEAT CANDIDATE CULTIVAR MERIT ASSESSMENT and RECORD OF DECISION

App Version: WA19-2

Candidate Name:	BW1053
Registration Type:	Full
Proposer:	Santosh Kumar
Institution/Company:	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

Crop Kind:	Spring wheat
Proposed Class:	CWRS
Evaluation	CBWC
Tests:	2016-2018

MOTIONS	Mover / Seconder	Sup	DNO	Obj	Abs	Total	
CANDIDATE CONSIDERATION:						0	When discussion is required
SUPPLEMENTARY DATA:			--			0	
PROCEDURAL SET-ASIDE:			--			0	Record rationale

WHEAT AGRONOMIC MERIT ASSESSMENT

Candidate: BW1053		Check Range			Endorse Limit		Calculated		Discussion		
Trait Summary	Range relative to checks	Min	Max	Line	Value	Calc	Endorse	Discuss	Allow	Flag	Clear
Grain Yield (kg/ha):	Higher than all checks	4598	4936	5358	0%	4598	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maturity (d):	Within range of checks	93.0	95.0	95.0	0.0	95.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lodging (1-9):	Within range of checks	1.3	2.7	1.4	0.0	2.7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Test Weight (kg/hL):	Within range of checks	80.3	83.0	81.4	0.0	80.3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Winter Survival (%):	Not applicable				0	--	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Height (cm):	Within range of checks	78	96	87	Reported for information purposes only						
1000 Kernel Weight (g):	Higher than all checks	33.8	36.0	37.3	Reported for information purposes only						
Grain Protein (%):	---	14.1	14.6	14.4	Reported for information purposes only						
Additional Traits:	n/a	Discussion must occur if supplementary data are used for additional							<input type="checkbox"/>		
Additional Traits:	n/a	trait claims (vote required to consider data).							<input type="checkbox"/>		
Additional Traits:	n/a	Allow indicates AET approval of the claim.							<input type="checkbox"/>		
Additional Traits:	n/a	Without AET Support , any additional claims must be withdrawn.							<input type="checkbox"/>		

ACTION: NO DISCUSSION REQUIRED →

NO CONCERNS

RECOMMENDATION: The Agronomic Evaluation Team

ENDORSES the registration of this candidate cultivar

Recommendation Guidelines

The “Do-not-object” guidelines for Priority 1 diseases wheat and triticale in Western Canada. Priority 2: Loose smut, leaf spots.

Disease	CWRS, CPS, GP, CWHW	CWAD	SWS	CWRW	Triticale	Spelt
Leaf Rust			 (MS prior to 2017)			
Stem Rust			 (MS prior to 2017)			NA
Common Bunt			 (MS prior to 2017)			
FHB		MS	MS	MS	MS	MS
Stripe Rust			 (MS prior to 2017)	 (MS prior to 2017)	 (MS prior to 2017)	 (MS prior to 2017)

Disease resistance

Prairie Registration Committee for Wheat, Rye & Triticale

Disease Evaluation Team

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Proposer:	Santosh Kumar
Institution/Company:	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

Crop Kind:	Spring wheat
Proposed Class:	CWRS
Evaluation Tests:	CBWC

WHEAT DISEASE MERIT ASSESSMENT

Candidate: BW1053		Ratings				DNO Limit	Calculated		Discussion						
Trait Summary	Synopsis	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Final	for Endorse	Endorse	Discuss	Allow	Flag	Clear				
Stem Rust	DNO Level +2 (Support)	R	R	R	R	I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Leaf Rust	DNO Level +2 (Support)	R	R	R	R	I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Stripe Rust	DNO Level +2 (Support)	I	R	R	R	I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Common Bunt	DNO Level -1 (Object)	I	S	MS	MS	I	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Fusarium Head Blight	DNO Level +1 (Support)	FHB rating based on data below			MR	I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
FHB Environments															
(Year & Location)		MOR	MOR	MOR	CAR	CAR	CAR	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Visual Rating Index (VRI)		8.9	15.1	4.8	5.7	7.7	4.8								
DON Concentration (ppm)		17	13	2	17	11.3	1								
Incidence/Severity/DON Index (ISD)		12	9.6	2.1	11	8.2	1.7								
Fusarium Damaged Kernels (FDK)															

The following are reported for information purposes only:

Other Traits:																<i>Discussion must occur for these</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Traits:																<i>trait claims and requires</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Traits:																<i>acceptable supporting data.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Traits:																<i>Allow indicates DET approval</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Traits:																<i>of the claim.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ACTION: DISCUSSION REQUIRED → FLAG - UNRESOLVED CONCERNS

RECOMMENDATION: The Disease Evaluation Team DECISION is PENDING the outcome of discussion

Part 2: Quality Criteria and tests for each registration trial category

Quality criteria

CRITERIA	TESTS/PARAMETERS	Hard Red Spring	Hard White Spring	High Yield (Prairie Spring)	Hard Red Winter	Soft White Spring	Durum	Interim Wheat
WHEAT CHARACTERISTICS	Grade	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Hard vitreous kernels, %						✓	
	Cadmium, ppb						✓	
	Protein, % (13.5 moisture basis)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Falling number, seconds	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
MILLING PERFORMANCE	Milling yield, clean wheat basis, %	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Milling yield, 0.50% ash basis, %	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
	Semolina yield, %						✓	
FLOUR / SEMOLINA ANALYSIS	Protein, % (14.0% moisture basis)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Protein loss (wheat to flour), %	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Ash, %	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Amylograph peak viscosity, BU	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Starch damage (Megazyme), %	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Solvent retention capacity, %					✓		
	Semolina colour						✓	
	Gluten index, %						✓	
	Yellow pigment, ppm						✓	
DOUGH PROPERTIES	Farinograph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water absorption, % Dough development time, min Stability, min 	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Alveograph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> P (height x 1.1), mm L (length), mm P/L W, x 10⁻⁴ joules 					✓	✓ *	
	Extensograph (90 or 135 minute rest) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Area, cm² Rmax, BU Length, cm 	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
QUALITY	Bread quality (Canadian Short Process or Remix-to-peak) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baking absorption (%), Mixing time (min) Mixing energy (Whr /kg) Loaf volume (cm³/100g flour) 	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓

Quality traits

Cultivar	Flour Characteristics					Milling Performance			
	Grain protein (%)	Flour protein (%)	Protein loss (%)	Falling number (s)	Amylo-graph (BU)	Clean flour yield (%) ^b	Flour yield (.50 ash) (%)	Flour ash (%)	Starch damage (%)
2016									
Unity	13.2	12.4	0.8	405	755	76.5	77.0	0.44	8.3
Glenn	13.8	13.0	0.8	325	525	74.4	76.5	0.45	8.7
Carberry	14.3	13.3	1.0	370	350	75.4	76.5	0.45	7.4
AAC									
Viewfield	13.8	13.0	0.8	370	455	75.3	77.5	0.43	7.2
BW1053	13.7	12.9	0.9	385	430	75.9	76.5	0.45	7.4
2017									
Unity	14.3	13.6	0.7	435	900	77.2	79.0	0.40	8.1
Glenn	14.6	13.9	0.7	380	830	75.3	79.5	0.39	8.2
Carberry	14.8	13.9	0.9	375	510	75.7	79.0	0.40	7.9
AAC									
Viewfield	14.9	14.2	0.7	430	685	75.4	79.5	0.39	7.5
BW1053	14.4	13.8	0.7	390	515	76.8	79.0	0.40	7.7
2018									
Unity	14	13.4	0.6	400	885	76.5	78.5	0.41	8.2
Glenn	14.2	13.5	0.6	345	745	75.4	79.0	0.40	8.6
Carberry	14.5	13.8	0.7	385	530	76.1	79.0	0.40	7.6
AAC									
Viewfield	13.8	13.4	0.5	385	615	76.4	78.5	0.41	7.6
BW1053	14.2	13.7	0.5	395	575	76.4	78.5	0.41	7.6

Quality traits

Dough Properties							Baking Quality				
Cultivar	Farinograph			Extensograph			Canadian short process (150 ppm ascorbic acid) ^d				
	Abs (%) ^a	DDT (min) ^b	Stability (min)	EXT Area	EXT Rmax	EXT Length	Abs (%)	Mixing time (min)	Mixing energy (whr/kg)	Loaf volume (cm ³)	Loaf top ratio
2016											
Unity	63.6	4.75	6.0	73	300	19.0	70	2.9	8.3	795	0.55
Glenn	65.6	5.50	9.5	122	624	16.4	73	3.8	10.5	910	0.67
Carberry	63.7	5.50	5.5	90	353	20.5	71	3.0	8.3	790	0.55
AAC											
Viewfield	63.6	5.75	7.5	91	358	20.3	71	3.1	7.8	825	0.51
BW1053	62.4	6.75	8.5	103	462	17.8	69	3.5	10.0	775	0.56
2017											
Unity	63.8	5.75	7.0	89	332	21.4	71	2.9	7.5	740	0.40
Glenn	64.6	9.75	11.5	153	680	18.8	72	4.0	10.4	840	0.59
Carberry	64.0	7.25	7.5	97	352	22.1	71	3.2	8.6	780	0.48
AAC											
Viewfield	63.8	7.75	11.0	119	470	20.6	71	3.4	9.4	805	0.48
BW1053	62.2	8.25	11.5	120	488	20.4	70	3.7	10.0	735	0.47
2018											
Unity	65.1	5.25	7.0	87	366	18.8	72	2.9	7.8	765	0.50
Glenn	65.9	9.00	13.0	139	689	16.7	73	4.1	10.3	845	0.58
Carberry	64.8	7.25	8.0	101	443	18.4	73	3.5	8.8	790	0.52
AAC											
Viewfield	64.9	7.25	10.0	114	480	19.3	72	3.5	9.0	795	0.51
BW1053	62.9	8.75	10.5	121	495	19.6	70	3.8	9.6	720	0.50

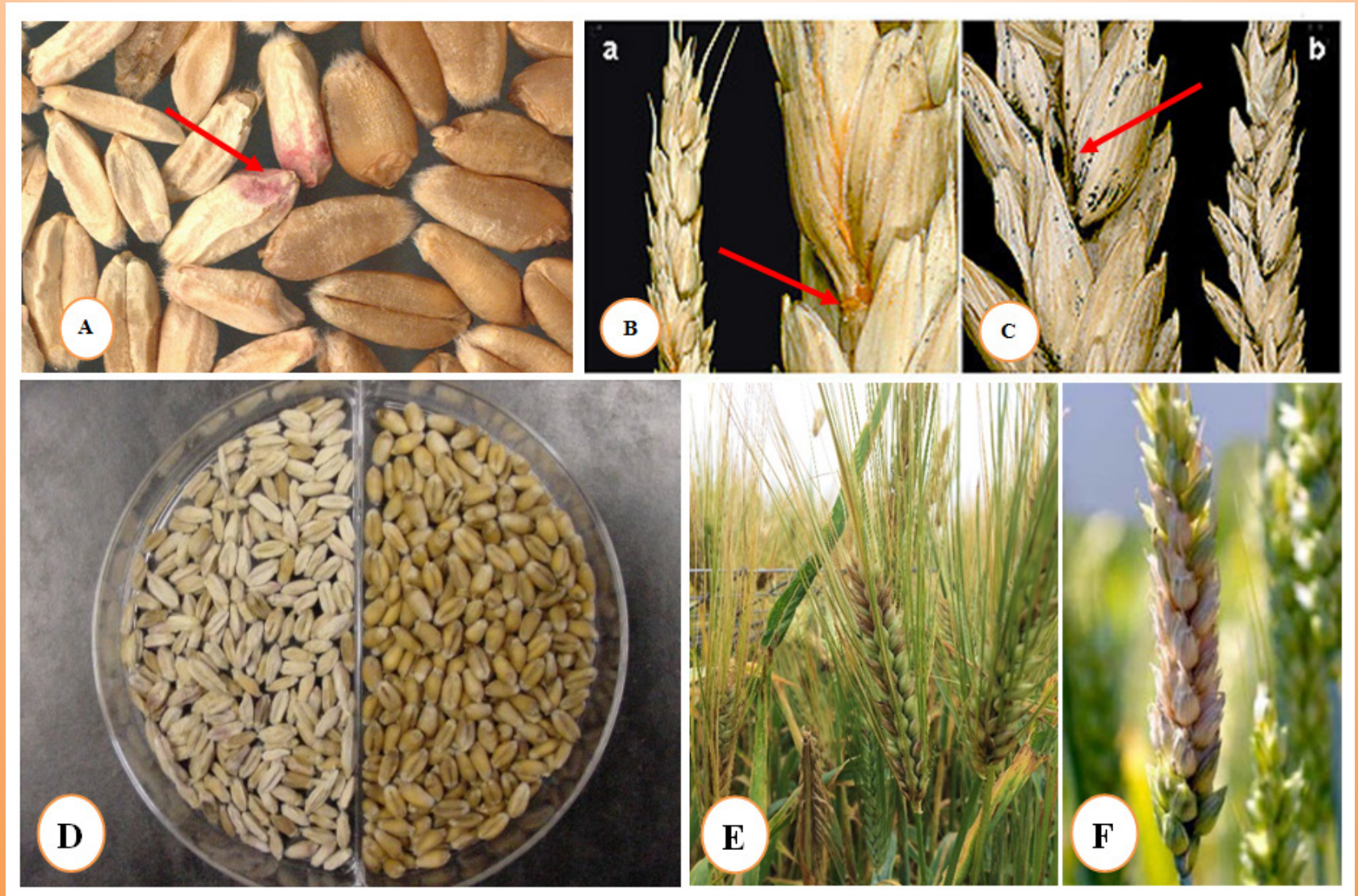


Summary



- ❖ Defined marker classes for Canadian wheat
- ❖ CFIA mandated PGDC recommends varieties for registration
- ❖ Lines registered only if licensed
- ❖ My line BW1053 did not make it

FHB: Implications for Wheat



FHB: Implications for Wheat

Reduction in grain quality

- Wrinkled and contracted and/or discolored kernels. Fusarium-damaged kernels (FDK).
- Contamination of grain with the trichothecene mycotoxin deoxynivalenol (DON) and other mycotoxins.

F. graminearum
F. culmorum
F. avenaceum
F. poae
F. sporotrichioides



F. spp: Inoculum

Isolate ID	Chemotypes	Origin
HSW-15-27	15ADON	Eastern MB
HSW-15-57	15ADON	Central MB
HSW-15-39	3ADON	Southwest MB
HSW-15-87	3ADON	Southwest MB



Wheat FHB Nursery: Breeding

- **Location:** Brandon
- **Area:** 30 acres/3 y rotation (irrigated)
- **Nursery capacity:** 75K 1m rows, and 250K single plants
- **Generations:** F2, F4, F6, F8-F13
- **Participants:** BRDC, ScRDC, LRDC, UoA, international observation nurseries (ICARDA, CIMMYT)



Wheat FHB Nursery: Registration Testing



AAC Tenacious	R
FHB37	MR
5602HR	MR
AC Cora	I
AC Barrie	I
Brigade	MS
AC Morse	MS
AC Splendor	S
CDC Teal	S

2019: 40,000 rows

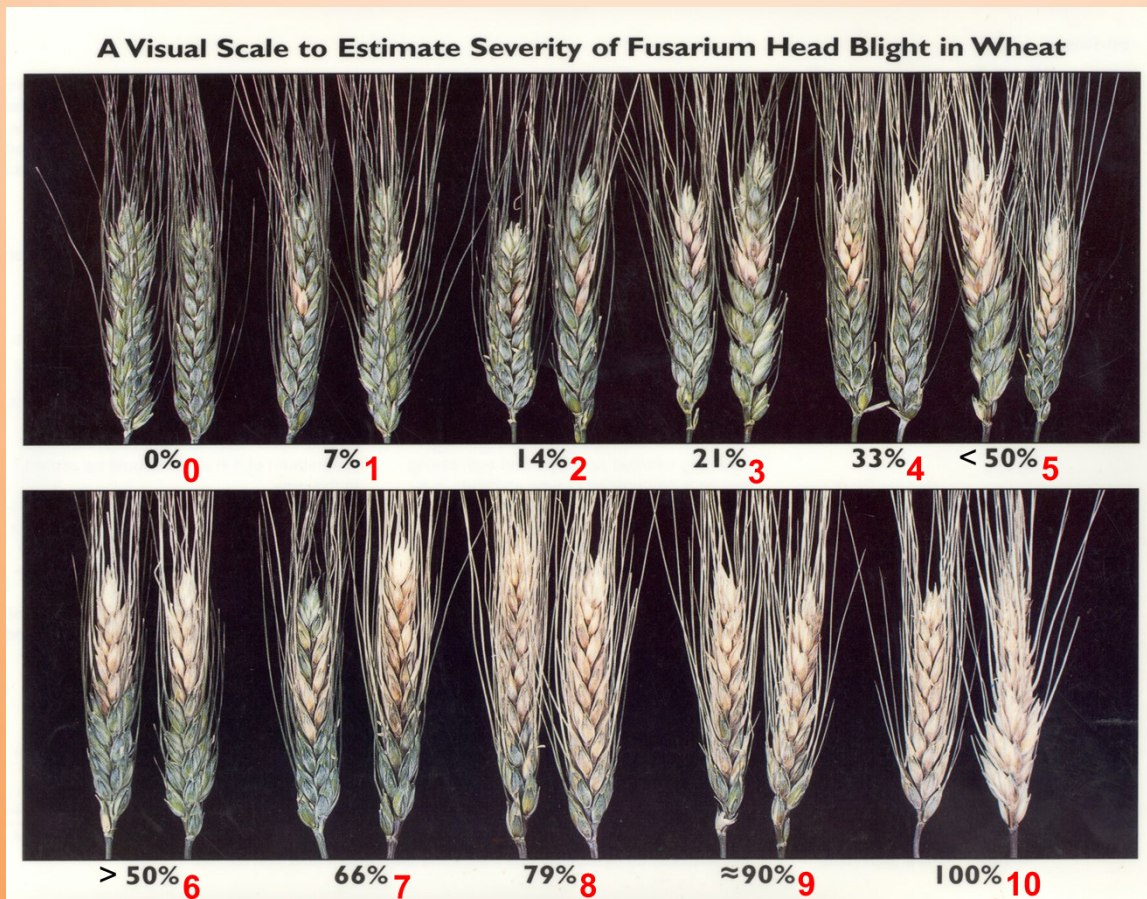


FHB Index (VRI: visual rating index)

$$[\text{Average \% incidence} \times \text{Average \% severity}] / 100$$

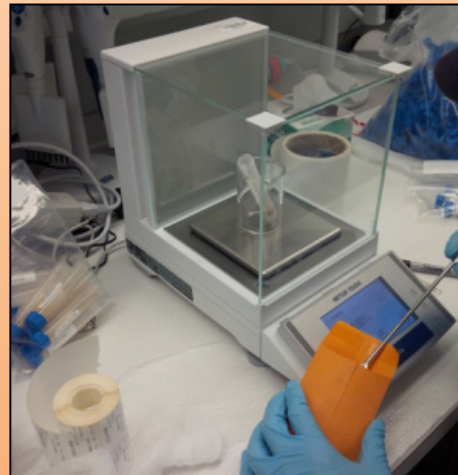
Incidence: The proportion of infected spikes per plot

Severity: The proportion of infected spikelets in each spike



21 days post anthesis

DON Testing



FHB rating

Checks	FHB rating	2018		
		AVG VRI	AVG DON	AVG ISD
CDC Teal	S	37.6	10.9	15.4
AC Morse	MS	41.9	18.2	22.3
AC Cora	I	27.2	5.5	7.0
5602 HR	MR (I)	19.9	5.9	9.4
FHB 37	R (MR)	1.4	2.0	4.0
AAC Tenacious	R	0.0	0.4	0.8

2018

Rating Scales (Based on AAC Tenacious as R)

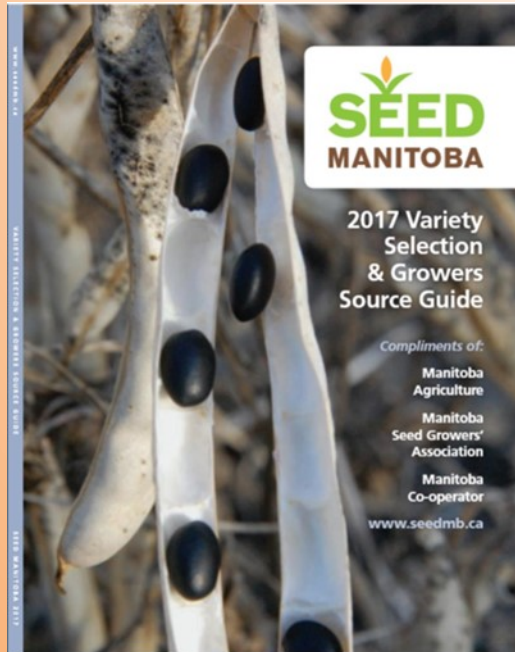
RATING	R	MR	I	MS	S
VRI	< 3.8	3.9 -19.9	20 - 30.34	30.35 - 37.5	> 37.6
DON	< 2	2.1 - 5.5	5.6 - 10.8	10.9 - 18.1	> 18.2
ISD	< 2	2.1 - 5.4	5.5 - 8.9	9.0 - 13.5	> 13.6

(ISD: $0.2 \times \text{mean incidence} + 0.2 \times \text{mean severity} + 0.6 \times \text{mean DON}$)

Progress: DET Supported Varieties

Reg. Trials	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
CBWC	MR(1); I(1)	MR(2); I(2)	MR(2)	MR(3); I(1)	MR(1); I(3)
WBWC	I(4); MS(1)	MR(1); I(1); MS(1)	MR(1); I(1); MS(1)	MR(2); I(2)	I(2); MS(1)
ParkC	I(3); MS(1); S(1)	MR(1)	-	I(1); MS(1)	MR(3); I(3)
HYWC	I(4); MS(1)	MR(1); I(1)	I(1)	-	I (1); S(1)
WWC	MR(1); I(1)	I(4)	-	MR(1)	MR(3); I(1)

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WHEAT RED SPRING - 2019 MANITOBA VARIETY ACREAGE REPORT

AAC BRANDON
 AAC VIEWFIELD
 AAC ELIE
 CARDALE
 CDC LANDMARK
 AAC REDBERRY
 CDC PLENTIFUL
 CARBERRY
 AAC CAMERON VB
 AAC TISDALE
 AC DOMAIN
 AAC REDWATER
 GLENN

66.2%
 8.1%
 7.4%
 3.8%
 2.3%
 1.9%
 1.2%
 1.1%
 1.0%
 1.0%
 0.9%
 0.8%
 0.8%

**Based on
 2,691,388
 Acres
 Reported**

New Varieties



CULTIVAR DESCRIPTION

AAC Cameron Canada western red spring wheat

S.L. Fox, S. Kumar, J.B. Thomas, D.G. Humphreys, J. Mitchell Fetch, D. Green, I. Wise, M. Smith, T. Fetch, J. Gilbert, B. McCallum, and J. Menzies



CULTIVAR DESCRIPTION

AAC Jatharia Canada Western Red Spring wheat

S. Kumar, S.L. Fox, D.G. Humphreys, J. Mitchell Fetch, D. Green, T. Fetch, B. McCallum, and J. Menzies



CULTIVAR DESCRIPTION

AAC Warman Canada Western Red Spring wheat

S. Kumar, S.L. Fox, J. Mitchell Fetch, D. Green, T. Fetch, B. McCallum, R. Aboukhaddour, and M.-A. Henriquez

CULTIVAR DESCRIPTION

AAC Magnet Canada Western Red Spring wheat

S. Kumar, S. L. Fox, J. Mitchell Fetch, D. Green, T. Fetch, B. McCallum, R. Aboukhaddour and M.A. Henriquez

CULTIVAR DESCRIPTION

AAC LeRoy Canada Western Red Spring wheat

S. Kumar, S. L. Fox, J. Mitchell Fetch, D. Green, T. Fetch, B. McCallum, R. Aboukhaddour and M.A. Henriquez



REVIEW

Marker-assisted breeding of hexaploid spring wheat in the Canadian prairies

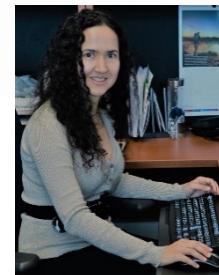
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