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Root rots in beans: Generating knowledge and Resources for their control

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Outline

- **Root Rots introduction**
- **Research description**
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Root Rots in Common beans



- A complex limitation affecting bean production affecting plants through the whole cycle, from emerging to maturing stage
- Can be produced by fungi and oomycetes. *Rhizoctonia solani*, *Fusarium solani* f. sp. *phaseoli*, *Pythium* sp, *Sclerotium rolfsii* as most common causal agents
- Their control using chemicals is not effective due to the limitation on contact between the active molecule with the pathogen(soil depth)
- Pathogens involved in RR can affect multiple plant species, disease management using crop rotation options are very limited
- *Pythium ultimum* is the most characterized bean disease among the *Pythium* genera, including bean resistance identification and markers associated to it



Root rot and damping-off caused by *Pythium* sp.

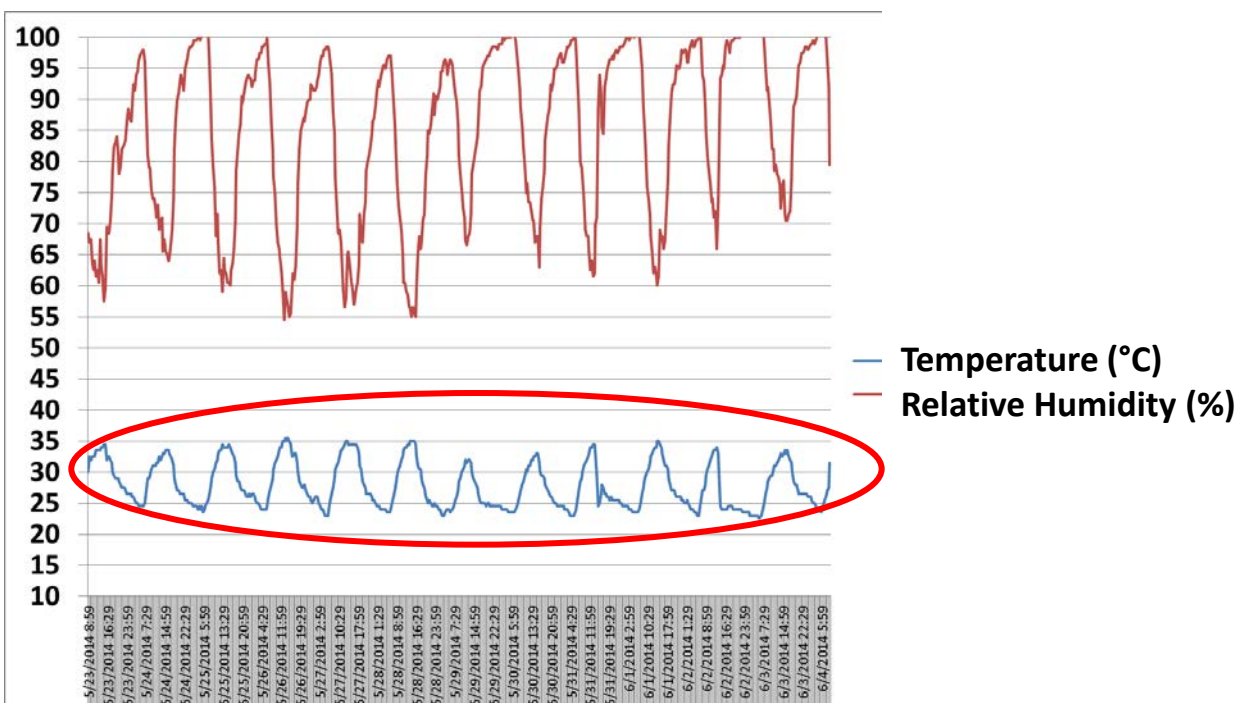
- Reported in America, Africa, and Australia
- Disease frequently observed in beans associated with high soil moisture
- Ideal temperatures favoring disease development 14 to 17°C



Changes in Pythium disease scope



This pathogen is able to cause disease at higher temperatures



- Temperature range for disease development is beyond the expected 17°C
- Bean plants highly affected by Pythium in heat stress trials

3 different *Pythium* species were isolated from disease samples collected in heat stress trials

- *Pythium myriotylum*
- *Pythium aphanidermatum*
- *Pythium deliense*



Population description

211 Lines ALB : P. vulgaris x P. coccineus

(SER 16 X (SER 16x **G 35346-3Q**)F1/-1Q-1Q-1C-1C-MC)

G 35066 : Incorporar tolerancia a alto aluminio en frijol mesoamericano con planta tipo vulgaris y de grano comercial

(ICA QUIMBAYA X (ICA QUIMBAYAx **G 35066-1Q**)F1/-1Q-MQ-2Q-MC)

G 35464

Incorporar tolerancia a alto aluminio en frijol andino con planta tipo vulgaris y de grano comercial

78 Lines INB : P.vulgaris x P. acutifolius

(ICA PIJAOx(ICA PIJAOx**G 40102**)F1/-16Q-(NN)Q-(NN)C-(NN)Q-(NN)C-(NN)C)

G 40001-G40102

G 40199: Fuente de R a Bruchidos

Incorporar tolerancia a sequía y altas temperaturas. También tolerancia a CBB (x ej INB 870)

20 Lines MIB : Pv x P. dumosus

(FEB 226 X (FEB 226 x **G 35575-2P**)F1/-1P-3P-8P-MP) Aumentar contenido de Fe en semilla

6 Lines MAB:

Incorporar tolerancia a mancha angular y aumentar contenido de Fe en semilla. Basicamente son Pv x Pv. Las fuentes de Fe en estas cruza son Pv (G 23818B).

Todos los progenitores son Pv x Pv; excepto MIB 475-1 que tiene aprox. 1.56% de P parvifolius y 0.78% de P acutifolius.

((MAB 484xMIB 158)F1xMIB 475- 1)F2-3 X MIB 602/-1C-4Q-MQ :

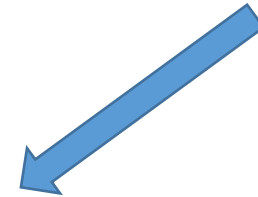


Inoculation process for *Pythium*

weight 200 g of sorghum and put into the flask and add 300 ml of distilled water.



Sorghum inoculated with *Pythium* grown for 7 days



Incubate at 24°C for 15 days.



Evaluation interspecific cross lines of bean

Mix the inoculum
with the soil
0.15g inoculum per
1kg of soil



Evaluation for *Pythium myriotylum* disease

AUDPC measured by evaluating disease progress at 7, 14, 21, and 28 days

CIAT Scale 1-9

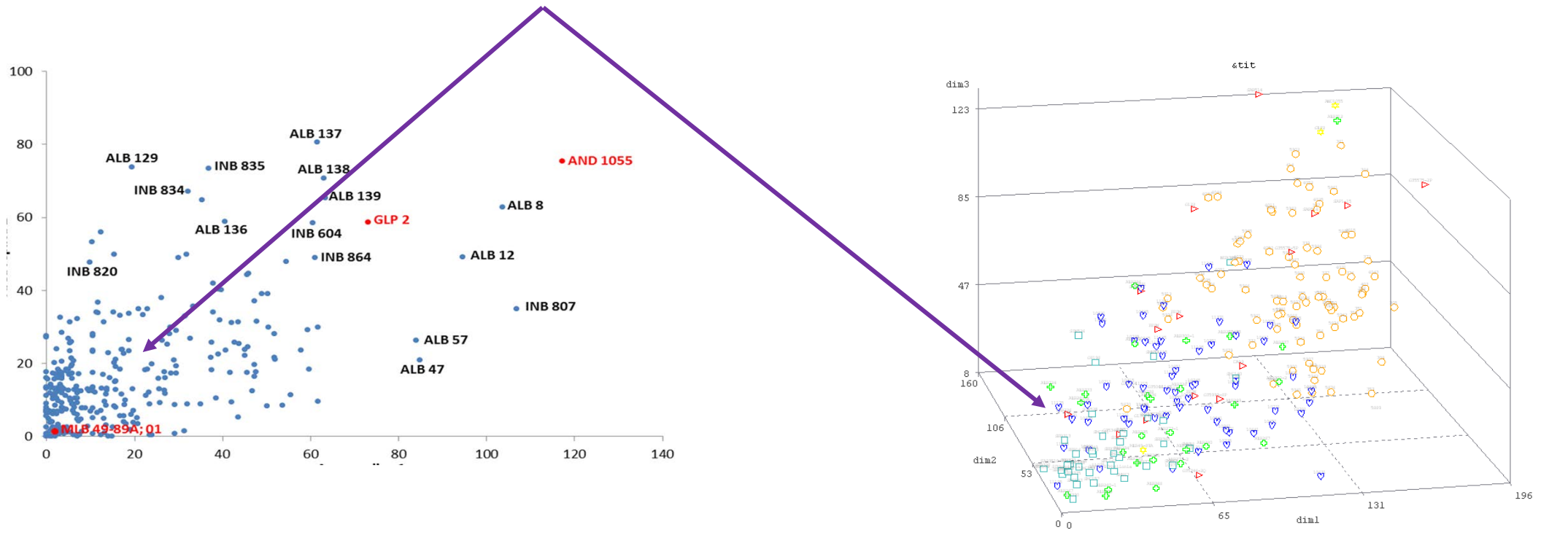


Pythium confirmed as main pathogen causing damping-off at higher temperatures

✓ 3 different *Pythium* species were isolated from disease samples collected in heat stress trials

- *Pythium myriotylum*
- *Pythium aphanidermatum*
- *Pythium deliense*

Inoculation of two bean germplasm sets with *P. myriotylum* identified several resistance lines



Questions we want to answer in the near future (work in progress)

1. *Are *P. myriotylum*, *P. aphanidermatum*, *P. deliense* the only species to cause disease at higher temperature?*
2. *Bean lines resistant to *P. myriotylum* are also resistant to other *Pythium* species?*
3. *Is the resistance response influenced by soil humidity only? what about temperature?*

Conclusions

- *Pythium* can produce severe infections in beans growing under high soil moisture at cool temperatures and high temperatures
- *Pythium* belonging to three different species were found to be responsible for infections observed in heat stress trials in Colombia during 2014 season
- These observations put in evidence a wider spectrum in *Pythium* favorable climatic conditions, more geographical regions are prone to suffer negative impact due to this pathogen
- Greenhouse assays identified resistant bean lines to *P. myriotylum*
- More studies are in progress to have more information about interactions among host-pathogen-environment

Thank you!

