

1 Genetic mapping reveals new loci and alleles for flowering time and plant height 2 using the double round-robin population of barley

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22 ABSTRACT

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24 Flowering time and plant height are two critical determinants of yield potential in barley
 25 (*Hordeum vulgare*). Although their role as key traits, a comprehensive understanding of the
 26 genetic complexity of flowering time and plant height regulation in barley is still lacking.
 27 Through a double round-robin population originated from the crossings of 23 diverse
 28 parental inbred lines, we aimed to determine the variance components in the regulation of
 29 flowering time and plant height in barley as well as identify new genetic variants by single
 30 and multi-population quantitative trait loci (QTL) analyses and allele mining. Despite similar
 31 genotypic variance, we observed higher environmental variance components for plant
 32 height than flowering time. Furthermore, we detected one new QTL for flowering time and
 33 two new QTL for plant height. Finally, we identified a new functional allelic variant of the
 34 main regulatory gene *Ppd-H1*. Our results show that the genetic architecture of flowering
 35 time and plant height might be more complex than reported earlier and that a number of
 36 undetected, small effect or low frequency, genetic variants underlie the control of these two
 37 traits.

1 INTRODUCTION

The increase in world population, the reduction of available arable land, and climate change represent some of the greatest challenges that humanity is and will further have to face in the near future (Vyas *et al.*, 2022). One of the answers to these challenges is to reduce the influence of biotic and abiotic stress factors and by that increase crop productivity (Khush, 2013). Of particular importance are yield increases of cereals (Araus *et al.*, 2008), which are essential for human nutrition as they alone contribute about 44.5% of the calory uptake of the world population (FAO, 2019). In addition, they are important for animal feeding and beverage production (FAO, 2020).

Flowering time is one of the critical determinants of yield potential in cereals (Hill and Li, 2016). This is because, at this phenological stage, the plant transits from the vegetative to the reproductive phase, and grain filling starts (Cockram *et al.*, 2007). In turn, the efficiency of grain filling is maximized if it coincides with optimal environmental conditions (Wiegmann *et al.*, 2019). Therefore, plants and farmers have adapted several strategies to synchronize the phenological stages to environmental conditions (Anderson and Song, 2020).

Barley (*Hordeum vulgare* L.) is ranked fourth among the most cultivated cereals worldwide (FAO, 2020). This species is characterized by great environmental plasticity that allows it to be cultivated at different latitudes, with extremely dissimilar conditions of temperature and photoperiod (Dawson *et al.*, 2015). It has been demonstrated that the adaptive success of barley is also due to the selection of favorable allelic variants at the main genes determining the transition from the vegetative to the reproductive phase (Comadran *et al.*, 2012; Göransson *et al.*, 2019; Turner *et al.*, 2005). Three types of genes have been identified to be responsible for the modulation of flowering time in barley: genes that act under the influence of photoperiod, genes that act under the influence of temperature, and genes, called as *earliness per se*, that act independently of environmental variables (Fernández-Calleja *et al.*, 2021).

The main genes whose expression is influenced by the photoperiod are *Ppd-H1* (Turner *et al.*, 2005) and *Ppd-H2* (Kikuchi and Handa, 2009). *Ppd-H1*, which is located on chromosome 2H, has been described as the major determinant of the response to long day conditions in barley, acting jointly with *HvCO1* and *HvCO2* (Campoli *et al.*, 2012). At the same time, *Ppd-H1* indirectly influences the response to vernalization by promoting the expression of *Vrn-H3* (Mulki and von Korff, 2016). *Ppd-H2* is the second main driver of the photoperiod response in barley, but unlike *Ppd-H1* it acts in short day conditions. The non-functional

72 allelic variant of *Ppd-H2* allowed the expansion of the cultivation area of barley at higher
 73 latitudes (Casao *et al.*, 2011).

74 The major determinants of the response to temperature are genes involved in the
 75 vernalization process. *Vrn-H1*, which is located on chromosome 5H, promotes flowering
 76 after the plant has satisfied its vernalization requirement (Yan *et al.*, 2003). Furthermore,
 77 *Vrn-H1* inhibits the expression of *Vrn-H2*, which is located on chromosome 4H. *Vrn-H2*
 78 delays flowering, allowing the plant to fulfill its cold needs (Deng *et al.*, 2015; Yan *et al.*,
 79 2004). The interaction between *Vrn-H1* and *Vrn-H2* is therefore one of the main mechanisms
 80 that allow the control of flowering time in winter or facultative barley varieties (Yan *et al.*,
 81 2004). The third gene responsible for the temperature response in barley is *Vrn-H3* on
 82 chromosome 7H (Yan *et al.*, 2006). *Vrn-H3*, when not repressed by *Vrn-H2*, promotes
 83 flowering by allowing the transition from the vegetative to the reproductive phase in long day
 84 conditions (Hemming *et al.*, 2008).

85 Within the group of *earliness per se* genes, the major determinant is *HvCEN* which is located
 86 on chromosome 2H. Because its expression is not directly influenced by environmental
 87 variables, the allelic variants of *HvCEN* allowed the expansion and adaptation of barley to
 88 new areas through the regulation of flowering time (Comadran *et al.*, 2012). In addition, three
 89 other genes have been described as circadian clock-related *earliness per se* genes which,
 90 although not directly influencing flowering, alter the expression of *Ppd-H1*: *HvELF3* (Faure
 91 *et al.*, 2012), on chromosome 1H, *HvLUX1* (Campoli *et al.*, 2013), on chromosome 3H, and
 92 *HvPHYC* (Nishida *et al.*, 2013), on chromosome 5H. Furthermore, mutations in *HvELF3* can
 93 also affect the expression of *HvGI* (Dunford *et al.*, 2005), causing earlier flowering
 94 (Zakhrabekova *et al.*, 2012). Finally, other genes initially reported to be responsible for
 95 controlling other quantitative traits have also been described to have an influence on
 96 flowering time or flower development: *HvAP2* (Shoesmith *et al.*, 2021), on chromosome 2H,
 97 and *Hv20ox2* (*sdw1/denso*) (Bezant *et al.*, 1996; Jia *et al.*, 2009), on chromosome 3H.

98 Another key trait responsible for determining production performance in cereal species is
 99 plant height (Mikołajczak *et al.*, 2017). An adequate plant height allows to obtain a lower
 100 exposure to lodging and a higher harvest index but on the other side, it is essential to keep
 101 the spikes far from the soil to reduce the risk of yield losses caused by infectious diseases
 102 (Vidal *et al.*, 2018). Plant height and flowering time are two interrelated characters. This is
 103 because flowering is possible when the meristem has switched from the vegetative to the
 104 reproductive phase. For this reason, many of the genes controlling flowering time, such as
 105 *Ppd-H1* (Turner *et al.*, 2005), *Vrn-H1* (Wiegmann *et al.*, 2019), *Vrn-H2* (Rollins *et al.*, 2013),
 106 *Vrn-H3* (Arifuzzaman *et al.*, 2016), *Hv20ox2* (Jia *et al.*, 2009), *HvCEN* (Bi *et al.*, 2019), and

107 *HvAP2* (Patil *et al.*, 2019), have a pleiotropic effect on plant height. In addition to these
108 genes, other genes involved in the biosynthesis of brassinosteroids, such as *HvBRD* on
109 chromosome 2H, *HvBR11* (*uzu*) on chromosome 3H, *HvDWF4*, on chromosome 4H, *HvCPD*
110 and *HvDEP1* on chromosome 5H, and *HvDIM* on chromosome 7H (Dockter *et al.*, 2014;
111 Wendt *et al.*, 2016), have been described to be involved in plant height regulation of barley.
112 Some of the above mentioned genes, such as *HvAP2* and the genes regulating
113 brassinosteroids biosynthesis, have been identified based on mutant approaches (Dockter
114 *et al.*, 2014; Shoesmith *et al.*, 2021). When instead natural variation was exploited, bi-
115 parental (Arifuzzaman *et al.*, 2014; Von Korff *et al.*, 2006; Rollins *et al.*, 2013; Schmalenbach
116 *et al.*, 2009) or nested association mapping populations (Maurer *et al.*, 2015; Nice *et al.*,
117 2017) were used. When multi-parental populations were examined instead, the experiments
118 comprised a restricted number of inbred lines (Cuesta-Marcos *et al.*, 2008), and/or the
119 selected parental inbreds were from a restricted geographical range (Afsharyan *et al.*, 2020;
120 Cuesta-Marcos *et al.*, 2008). All these factors reduce the likelihood of identifying genes and
121 allelic variants with low population frequency (Yu *et al.*, 2006). Therefore, the utilization of
122 segregating populations derived from genetic resources with high genotypic and phenotypic
123 diversity could allow the identification of further genes that are mechanistically involved in
124 flowering time and plant height regulation. This has the potential to facilitate and speed up
125 breeding and provide new targets for genetic modification through, for example, CRISPR
126 platforms. In turn, this could help to extend the cultivation area of barley by allowing its
127 adaptation to new environmental conditions. Furthermore, the knowledge gained in barley
128 has a high potential to be transferred to other cereal species that are genetically close but
129 have a polyploid chromosomal structure, such as tetraploid (*Triticum turgidum* var. *durum*)
130 and hexaploid (*Triticum aestivum*) wheat (Langridge, 2018).

131 In this study, a multi-parent population was used to explore the genetic landscape of
132 flowering time and plant height in barley with the objectives of: (i) determining the genetic
133 variance components in the regulation of flowering time and plant height, (ii) obtaining a
134 comprehensive understanding of the genetic complexity of flowering time and plant height
135 in barley by single and multi-population QTL analyses, (iii) identifying candidate genes for
136 the detected QTL regulating flowering time and plant height, and detecting new allelic
137 variants of genes responsible for the control of these two traits.

138 2 MATERIALS AND METHODS

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140 2.1 Plant material and genotypic evaluation

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142 The plant material used in this study consisted of a population which is designated in the
 143 following as *Hordeum vulgare* Double Round-Robin (HvDRR). The population originated
 144 from the crossings of 23 parental inbred lines, including eleven cultivars and twelve
 145 landraces (Shrestha *et al.*, 2022), in a double round-robin scheme (Stich, 2009)
 146 (Supplementary Table 1). The parental inbred lines have been chosen from a diversity panel
 147 of 224 spring barley accessions selected from the Barley Core Collection (BCC) (Pasam *et al.*, 2012) to maximize the combined genotypic and phenotypic richness index (Weisweiler
 148 *et al.*, 2019).

150 Starting from the 45 F1s, a single seed descent strategy has been applied to develop
 151 between 35 and 146 recombinant inbred lines (RIL) for each of the 45 sub-populations
 152 (Casale *et al.*, 2022). The RILs were genotyped at the F4 generation using a 50K SNP
 153 genotyping array (Bayer *et al.*, 2017).

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155 2.2 Phenotyping

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157 Flowering time (FT) evaluation was carried out in seven environments in Germany: Cologne
 158 from 2017 to 2019, Mechernich from 2018 to 2019, and Quedlinburg from 2018 to 2019.
 159 Plant height (PH) was evaluated in the same environments except for Quedlinburg, totaling
 160 five environments. At the Cologne and Mechernich environments, 33 seeds were sown in
 161 single rows of 1.6 meters length. In Quedlinburg, double rows of the same length were
 162 sowed. The inter-row distance was 20 cm. Fertilization and plant protection followed local
 163 practices.

164 In each environment, an augmented design was used. RILs of the HvDRR population and
 165 the inbreds of the diversity panel were planted with one replicate and only the parental
 166 inbreds of the HvDRR population were replicated 15-20 times per environment.

167 FT was recorded as days after sowing when 50% of the plants within the (double) row were
 168 flowering. PH was measured on average across all available plants within a row as height
 169 in cm from the collar to the peak of the plant when the spike was fully developed.

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171 2.3 Statistical analyses

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173 The collected phenotypic data were subject to statistical analysis using the following linear
174 mixed model:

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$$176 \quad Y_{ijk} = \mu + G_i + E_j + e_{ijk} \quad (1)$$

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178 where Y_{ijk} indicated the observed phenotypic value for the i^{th} genotype in the j^{th} environment
179 within the k^{th} replication, μ the general mean of the trait, G_i the effect of the i^{th} genotype, E_j
180 the effect of the j^{th} environment, and e_{ijk} the random error. For the calculation of adjusted
181 entry means, the genotypic effect was considered fixed, while the environmental effect was
182 considered random.

183 The broad sense heritability (h^2) was calculated as:

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$$185 \quad h^2 = V_g / (V_g + \frac{\bar{c}}{2}) \quad (2)$$

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187 where V_g represented the genotypic variance and \bar{c} the mean of the standard errors of the
188 contrasts among all pairs of genotypes (Piepho and Möhring, 2007). For the calculation of
189 the genotypic variance (V_g), model (1) was used, but all effects were considered as random.
190 In addition, we calculated h^2 , when applying for each environment a correction based on the
191 augmented design considering different grid sizes, and then estimating V_g and \bar{c} across the
192 environments.

193 In order to quantify the interaction between genotype and environment, we used a second
194 linear mixed model:

$$195 \quad Y_{ijk} = \mu + G_i + E_j + (G:E)_{ij} + e_{ijk} \quad (3)$$

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197 where $(G:E)_{ij}$ represented the interaction between the i^{th} genotype in the j^{th} environment,
198 which was fitted to the data of the parental inbreds.

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200 2.3.1 QTL analyses

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202 Two different QTL analyses were performed in this study on the HvDRR population: multi-
203 parent population (MPP) and single population (SP) analyses.

204 The estimation of genetic maps necessary for the SP analysis, as well as that of the
205 consensus map used in the MPP, have been described by Casale *et al.* (2022).

206 For each sub-population and each trait, an SP QTL analysis was performed, based on the
207 adjusted entry means for each RIL calculated with model (1), using the following scheme:

first, standard interval mapping using the Haley-Knott regression algorithm (Knott and Haley, 1992) was applied, followed by forward selection in order to determine the number of QTL to include in the model. Then a forward and backward selection algorithm was applied to perform multiple QTL mapping. Model selection was based on the highest penalized LOD score with penalties determined through 4000 permutations. A two-dimensional genome-wide scan was performed to detect epistatic interactions between all pairs of loci in the genome. The SP analyses were carried out with the R package “qtl” (Broman *et al.*, 2003). The MPP analyses were performed by jointly analyzing all sub-populations using an ancestral model that took into account the degree of relatedness among the parental inbreds (Garin *et al.*, 2017). The degree of relatedness was calculated by clustering the haplotypes. The haplotype window size was chosen as the consensus genetic map distance for which the linkage disequilibrium (LD), measured as r^2 , was 0.2 (Giraud *et al.*, 2014) (Supplementary Table 2). The MPP analysis was performed using the R package “mppR” (Garin *et al.*, 2015). Confidence intervals for the QTL detected via SP and MPP were calculated using a 1.5 LOD drop method (Manichaikul *et al.*, 2006).

2.3.2 Genomic prediction

Genomic predictions of FT and PH in the HvDRR population were performed by genomic best linear unbiased prediction (GBLUP) using the following model (VanRaden, 2008):

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{1}\mu + \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{u} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \quad (4)$$

where \mathbf{y} was the vector of the adjusted entry means of the considered trait (FT or PH), $\mathbf{1}$ was a unit vector, μ the general mean, \mathbf{Z} the design matrix that assigned the random effects to the genotypes, and \mathbf{u} the vector of genotypic effects that were assumed to be normally distributed with $N(0, \mathbf{K}\sigma_u^2)$, in which \mathbf{K} denoted the realized kinship matrix between inbreds and σ_u^2 the genetic variance of the GBLUP model. In addition, $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ was the vector of residuals following a normal distribution $N(0, I\sigma_e^2)$.

The prediction ability of the GBLUP model was evaluated by Pearson’s correlation coefficient (r) between observed and predicted phenotypes. To assess the model performance, five-fold cross-validation (CV) with 20 replications was performed. In that case, the prediction ability was defined as the median of the prediction abilities across the 20 runs of each 5 fold-CV.

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244 **2.3.3 Candidate gene analysis and allele mining**

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246 The candidate gene analysis was performed for those QTL from the SP analysis that did not
 247 carry inside their confidence intervals previously reported genes controlling the
 248 corresponding trait, explained $\geq 15\%$ of the phenotypic variance, and had a confidence
 249 interval ≤ 30 cM. For the QTL that fulfilled these criteria, all the genes within the confidence
 250 interval were extracted using the Morex v3 reference sequence (Mascher *et al.*, 2021). Next,
 251 variant calling data of single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), causing tolerated and
 252 deleterious mutations, insertion and deletions (INDELs), and predicted structural variants
 253 (SV), obtained as described by Weisweiler *et al.* (2022), were used to identify genes that
 254 were polymorphic between the two parental inbreds of the sub-population in which the QTL
 255 was detected. For each gene, we took into account all the polymorphisms inside the coding,
 256 non-coding, and, for SV, potential regulatory regions of the gene within 5 kb up and
 257 downstream of the gene.

258 Subsequently, we performed a weighted gene co-expression network analysis (WGCNA) to
 259 identify modules of co-expressed genes that were associated with the phenotypic variability
 260 of the traits. The mRNA sequencing experiment of leaf samples of 21 parental inbred lines,
 261 described by Weisweiler *et al.* (2019), was the basis for this analysis. The selected soft
 262 thresholding power was two, based on the scale-free topology criterion (Zhang and Horvath,
 263 2005). We predicted the gene networks for the three modules with the highest and the three
 264 lowest correlations for both traits. In order to have a comprehensive understanding of the
 265 networks we selected genes with a gene-module membership p-value < 0.01 and, within
 266 them, the top 30% of gene-gene interactions based on the interactions weight. Because of
 267 the high number of gene-gene interactions in the module “turquoise”, we selected the top
 268 5% of interactions with the highest weight. For the “lightyellow” and “tan” modules we did
 269 not filter the interactions based on weight. Furthermore, for the “black” module we selected
 270 the genes with a gene-module membership p-value < 0.05 .

271 In the next step, the results of the WGCNA and SP QTL analyses were combined: we further
 272 filtered the polymorphic genes within the confidence intervals based on their membership to
 273 a module (Wei *et al.*, 2022). The genes within the three modules with the highest and the
 274 three with the lowest correlation with the trait under consideration were evaluated for their
 275 functional annotation. We selected as candidate genes those with an annotation similar to
 276 that of genes previously reported to control the trait under consideration in barley and those
 277 for whom functional annotation has been described to be involved in plant vegetative or

278 reproductive development. All the analyses for the calculation of the weighted gene co-
279 expression networks were performed with the R package “WGCNA” (Langfelder and
280 Horvath, 2008).

281 Allele mining was performed for the known genes with pleiotropic effect on FT and PH
282 located within SP QTL confidence intervals. For each gene, polymorphisms between the
283 parental inbreds of the respective segregating sub-populations were extracted from the
284 whole genome sequencing data (Weisweiler *et al.*, 2022). To confirm the accuracy of the
285 whole genome sequencing data, we performed Sanger sequencing of the 23 parental
286 inbreds for *Ppd-H1*. To predict the effect of polymorphisms on the phenotype, we used the
287 SIFT algorithm (Vaser *et al.*, 2016). In addition, we performed PCR, as described in Karsai
288 *et al.* (2005), to check the presence/absence of the three *Vrn-H2* genes.

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290 **2.3.4 Fine mapping of QTL by association genetics**

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292 We used association genetics in the diversity panel of Pasam *et al.* (2012) to fine map the
293 QTL that did not carry within their confidence intervals genes reported to control the
294 corresponding trait, explained $\geq 15\%$, and had a confidence interval ≤ 30 cM. We used the
295 phenotypic data of the 224 inbreds collected in our field trials and the genotypic information
296 available from Milner *et al.* (2019). To construct the kinship matrix among the 224 inbreds,
297 we used all the SNPs in the SNP matrix. Association analysis was performed using only
298 polymorphisms from QTL fulfilling the above mentioned criteria. For association analysis,
299 we used a mixed model approach, implemented for the variance component (Kang *et al.*,
300 2010), with the R package “statgenGWAS” (van Rossum *et al.*, 2022).

301 **3 RESULTS**

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303 **3.1 Phenotypic variation and covariation**

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305 FT and PH were evaluated for each RIL across seven and five environments, respectively.
 306 For both traits, the environmental variance (V_e) was about two to three times higher than the
 307 genotypic variance (Table 1). Furthermore, for FT, the G:E variance was about half the
 308 genotypic variance, while for PH the G:E variance was about 87% of the genotypic variance.
 309 The values of broad-sense heritability on an entry means basis were high to very high,
 310 ranging from 0.76 for PH to 0.86 for FT (Table 1).

311 To take into account possible intra-environmental variation, the phenotypic values were
 312 adjusted using moving grids of three different sizes, exploiting the possibilities of an
 313 augmented design. For all three examined grid sizes, we observed that the resulting
 314 heritability values across all environments were reduced compared to the analysis without
 315 adjustment. Therefore, we decided to discuss in the following only results from analyses
 316 where intra-environmental variation was not corrected for.

317 Across all environments, the sub-population that was found to be the earliest to flower was
 318 HvDRR35, where RILs flowered on average 58 days after sowing. In contrast, the latest
 319 sub-population to flower was HvDRR46 for which, on average, RILs reached flowering 79
 320 days after sowing (Figure 1; Supplementary Table 3). HvDRR46 was also the sub-population
 321 with the smallest plants, with an average height of 48 cm. In contrast, HvDRR12 was, with
 322 an average of 87 cm, the sub-population with the tallest plants (Figure 1; Supplementary
 323 Table 3). HvDRR09 was the sub-population with the lowest coefficient of variation (CoV)
 324 value for FT (2.73 days), while the highest CoV was observed for HvDRR43 (23.31 days)
 325 (Supplementary Table 3). Regarding PH, the sub-population with the smallest variability was
 326 HvDRR15 (CoV = 3.83 cm), while the highest CoV, 30.53 cm, was observed for HvDRR46
 327 (Supplementary Table 3). The CoV was, for the diversity panel across the same
 328 environments, 7.35 days for FT and 14.01 cm for PH (Supplementary Table 3).

329 The differences between the mean of the parental inbreds and the mean of the sub-
 330 populations were also examined as these are an indicator for the presence of epistasis. For
 331 flowering time, the differences between the means of the parental inbred lines and the
 332 respective sub-populations were statistically significant ($p < 0.05$) in 22 cases. Among them,
 333 the highest differences were observed for sub-populations HvDRR43, with 7.2 days, and
 334 HvDRR46, with 10.5 days. For plant height the differences of the means of the sub-
 335 populations and the parental inbreds were significant ($p < 0.05$) in 14 cases. The strongest

336 difference between the parental inbreds and the progeny mean was observed for sub-
 337 populations HvDRR10, with 9.62 cm, HvDRR12, with 9.88 cm, and HvDRR11, with 10.60
 338 cm. All these sub-populations had Sanalta as common parental inbred (Figure 1).
 339 Across all sub-populations, the correlation coefficient of FT and PH was -0.012
 340 (Supplementary Figure 1). However, considerable differences were observed for the single
 341 sub-populations (Figure 2). HvDRR28 was the sub-population for which the highest
 342 correlation coefficient has been observed (0.44), while the sub-population where the two
 343 traits were most negatively correlated was HvDRR43 (-0.77) (Supplementary Figure 2).

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345 **3.2 Multi-parent population analysis**

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347 The multi-parent population analysis identified each 21 QTL for FT and PH, distributed
 348 across all seven chromosomes (Figure 3). The analysis was performed using the genetic
 349 haplotype window sizes estimated from the extent of linkage disequilibrium (Supplementary
 350 Table 2). The percentage of phenotypic variance explained by all the QTL detected in the
 351 MPP analysis was 39.1% and 24.9% for FT and PH, respectively. For FT, the confidence
 352 interval of 17 QTL overlapped with the interval of at least one QTL identified in the SP
 353 analysis (Supplementary Tables 4-5). Out of 21 QTL identified for PH, 16 overlapped with
 354 one or more QTL detected in SP analysis (Supplementary Tables 4-6). Among the QTL
 355 detected for both traits, the intervals of two pairs of QTL overlapped: *FT-MP-Q3* with *PH-*
 356 *MP-Q3* and *FT-MP-Q19* with *PH-MP-Q20*.

357 The additive effect of the 23 parental inbreds for the 21 QTL for FT ranged from -2.42 days,
 358 observed for Ancap2 at *FT-MP-Q5*, to 5.14 days, for Kombyne at *FT-MP-Q13* (Figure 4).
 359 However, in about 92% of cases, the additive effect for FT was between -1 and 1 day
 360 (Supplementary Figure 3). For PH, the effect ranged from -3.88 cm for Kombyne at *PH-MP-*
 361 *Q15*, to a maximum of 1.99 cm at *PH-MP-Q5*, for seven parental inbreds (Figure 4). Also in
 362 this case more than 90% of the additive effects had a value between -1 and 1 cm
 363 (Supplementary Figure 3). The crossings design underlying our population allows to
 364 estimate the number of alleles at each QTL. The QTL with the highest number of significantly
 365 different allele effects and thereby with presumably alleles were, for FT, *FT-MP-Q20*, with 9
 366 alleles, and, for PH, *PH-MP-Q20*, with 8 detected alleles.

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368 **3.3 Genomic prediction ability**

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370 The prediction abilities of the GBLUP model across the HvDRR population were high with
371 values of 0.89 and 0.87 for FT and PH respectively (Supplementary Table 7). To compare
372 the prediction performance of the GBLUP model with those of the detected QTL, we used
373 the squared prediction abilities. The coefficient of determinations (r^2) obtained by genomic
374 prediction without CV was 0.79 for FT and 0.76 for PH. The cross-validated prediction
375 abilities were 0.77 for both FT and PH.

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377 **3.4 Single population QTL analysis**

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379 Through single population analysis, 89 QTL were identified for FT and 80 for PH (Figures 5-
380 6; Supplementary Tables 5-6). The percentages of explained variance by the individual QTL
381 detected for FT sized from 1.02%, for *qHvDRR47-FT-7.1*, to 77.75%, for *qHvDRR27-FT-2.1*
382 (Supplementary Table 5), while for PH the values ranged from 2.52%, for *qHvDRR11-PH-*
383 *2.2*, to 63.62%, for *qHvDRR10-PH-3.1* (Supplementary Table 6). HvDRR22 was the sub-
384 population with the highest values of explained variance for both FT (70.24%) and PH
385 (78.54%), while the lowest percentages of variance explained by the detected QTL were
386 observed for FT in HvDRR35 (33.49%) and for PH in HvDRR31 (23.65%) (Supplementary
387 Tables 5-6).

388 Out of 89 QTL identified in the single population analysis for FT, 43 mapped to chromosome
389 2H (Figure 5). A cluster comprising 21 QTL was located at the beginning of chromosome
390 2H. The region covered by the confidence interval of these QTL included *Ppd-H1*. Also for
391 other major effect genes, responsible for the control of FT, QTL clusters had been identified:
392 six QTL at the end of chromosome 4H, whose confidence intervals included *Vrn-H2*, ten
393 QTL at the beginning of chromosome 5H, a region in which *Vrn-H1* was positioned, and
394 eleven QTL at the beginning of chromosome 7H in which *Vrn-H3* was located. Other QTL
395 comprised additional genes within their confidence intervals such as *HvELF3*, *HvCEN*,
396 *Hv20ox2 (sdw1/denso)*, *HvFT4* (Pieper *et al.*, 2021), and *HvAP2* (Supplementary Table 5).
397 Single population analysis for PH identified 80 QTL, where these QTL were characterized
398 by wider confidence intervals compared to those detected for FT (Figure 6, Supplementary
399 Table 6). As observed for FT, the chromosome with the highest number of QTL was 2H. A
400 cluster, including 14 QTL, comprised within their confidence interval *Ppd-H1*. Other clusters
401 of QTL that included in their confidence interval *HvAP2*, *Hv20ox2 (sdw1/denso)*, *Vrn-H1*,
402 and *Vrn-H3* had been identified (Supplementary Table 6).

403 However, we identified 16 QTL for FT and 31 QTL for PH for which no genes previously
404 described for the control of the trait were included within their confidence interval

(Supplementary Tables 5-6). Among the 16 QTL detected for FT, the QTL with the lowest number of genes in the confidence interval were *qHvDRR02-FT-5.1* and *qHvDRR31-FT-5.2*. The QTL comprised 52 and 71 genes, respectively, which reduced to 35 and 45 when neglecting the low confidence genes. *qHvDRR31-FT-5.2* was with 3.4 cM the QTL with the shortest genetic confidence interval. For PH, *qHvDRR48-PH-4.1* was the QTL with the lowest number of genes in its confidence interval (115 low and high confidence or 79 high confidence genes). The QTL with the shortest confidence interval was *qHvDRR22-PH-7.1* with 3.9 cM.

Eight sub-populations showed significant epistatic interactions between loci on a genome-wide scale. In total, ten significant epistatic interactions were detected. Nine interactions were detected for PH and one for FT. Two epistatic interactions each were observed for populations HvDRR34 and HvDRR44 (Supplementary Table 8).

3.5 Allele mining

For FT, 21 sub-populations showed a QTL that included *Ppd-H1*. For 14 of these, a QTL that included *Ppd-H1* was also identified for PH. A total of 16 of the 21 sub-populations were polymorphic for the causal SNP 22 of *Ppd-H1* (Turner *et al.*, 2005). However, five sub-populations (HvDRR02, HvDRR04, HvDRR20, HvDRR23, and HvDRR48), for which the QTL confidence intervals comprised *Ppd-H1*, did not segregate for this polymorphism. All non-polymorphic sub-populations for SNP 22 had HOR1842 or IG128104 as parental inbred lines (Supplementary Table 1). Through Sanger sequencing, we identified the presence of a unique SNP in HOR1842 and IG128104 in the CCT domain of *Ppd-H1* (Figure 7). The primers used to amplify *Ppd-H1* are listed in Supplementary Table 9. Based on the SNP position on the *Ppd-H1* coding sequence of Morex, we refer to it as SNP 1945. SNP 1945 determines the synthesis of a threonine instead of an alanine (Supplementary Figure 4). We then used the SIFT algorithm to predict the effect of this SNP on the phenotype. The effect of this polymorphism was classified by the SIFT algorithm as deleterious.

At the *Vrn-H2* locus, an FT QTL was detected in six sub-populations. We evaluated by PCR, as described in Karsai *et al.* (2005) (Supplementary Table 9), the presence/absence of the three causal *Vrn-H2* genes. Out of six sub-populations, five were polymorphic for the genes regulating the *Vrn-H2* locus. In HvDRR29, both parental inbred lines, HOR8160 and IG128216, had the complete set of genes (Supplementary Figure 5).

3.6 Candidate gene analysis

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441 The candidate gene analysis was performed for the QTL detected in the SP analysis that
 442 did not carry in their confidence interval previously reported genes controlling the trait under
 443 consideration, explaining $\geq 15\%$ of the phenotypic variance, and having a confidence interval
 444 ≤ 30 cM. For these QTL, we combined the results of QTL mapping with variant calling data
 445 and results from WGCNA. Through WGCNA, 27 different gene modules were detected
 446 across all the expressed genes in the barley genome (Supplementary Figure 6). The
 447 correlation of the gene expression of modules and the adjusted entry means ranged from -
 448 0.52 to 0.49 for FT and from -0.54 to 0.47 for PH. Interestingly, the module with the highest
 449 correlation was the same for both traits. After selecting genes within the QTL range and
 450 which were included in one of the three modules with the highest or the lowest correlation
 451 (Supplementary Figure 7), we searched for candidate genes. The most represented class
 452 of genes for the two traits was that of receptor-like kinase, followed by genes involved in the
 453 ethylene pathways, and genes coding for F-box proteins (Supplementary Table 10).
 454 In addition to the functional based candidate gene analysis, we used association genetics
 455 in the diversity panel to fine map the selected QTL using the genome-wide genotyping-by-
 456 sequencing data of Milner *et al.* (2019). For FT, none of the polymorphisms in the QTL
 457 confidence intervals was significantly associated with the phenotype. For PH, we identified
 458 four significant SNPs associated with the phenotype (Supplementary Figure 8).

459 **4 DISCUSSION**

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461 With this study, we aimed to obtain a comprehensive overview of the environmental and
462 genotypic contributions to the regulation of flowering time and plant height in barley. We
463 performed MPP and SP analysis to elucidate the genetic complexity underlying the control
464 of FT and PH. Finally, we identified candidate genes and new allelic variants using additional
465 approaches such as WGCNA and association genetics.

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467 **4.1 Flowering time variation is less environmental sensitive than that of plant height**

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469 We observed that relative to the genotypic variance, the variance components of
470 environment and genotype by environment interaction were higher for PH than FT (Table 1).
471 This finding was in discordance with a previous study where the variance component of the
472 genotype-environment interaction was higher for FT than for PH (Rodriguez *et al.*, 2008).
473 This result might be explained thereby by that the environments of our study differed mainly
474 with respect to soil, precipitations, and temperature, which influence PH more strongly than
475 FT (Li *et al.*, 2003). In contrast, latitudinal differences, which heavily impact FT (Kikuchi and
476 Handa, 2009), were very small among our environments. An additional explanation is the
477 limited number of studied genotypes by Rodriguez *et al.* (2008), which reduced the precision
478 to estimate variance components. Nevertheless, we observed for both traits high to very
479 high heritabilities indicating that the adjusted entry means calculated for FT and PH are very
480 suitable to unravel the genetics of both traits (Table 1).

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482 **4.2 The double round-robin population shows high variability of flowering time and** 483 **plant height**

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485 We observed in our study, with a range of adjusted entry means of 51.2 to 105.7 days as
486 well as 12.6 to 101.2 cm for FT and PH, respectively, a high phenotypic diversity among the
487 RILs of the HvDRR population (Figure 1). This range was considerably higher than that
488 observed in earlier studies (Afsharyan *et al.*, 2020; Arifuzzaman *et al.*, 2016; Cuesta-Marcos
489 *et al.*, 2008; Maurer *et al.*, 2015; Nice *et al.*, 2017). Also, the standard deviation of the
490 adjusted entry means of the RILs of the HvDRR population was higher for both traits than
491 that described in previous studies (Pauli *et al.*, 2014; Wang *et al.*, 2014) (Supplementary
492 Table 3). These observations might be due to the higher number of RILs but also because
493 of the selection of the 23 parental inbreds with maximal genotypic and phenotypic richness.

In addition, the variation observed for FT and PH in the diversity panel of 224 spring barley inbreds (Pasam *et al.*, 2012) was similar to that observed in individual sub-populations. However, it was considerably smaller (FT) and more influenced by a few outliers (PH) compared to the diversity observed in the entire HvDRR population (Figure 1). These findings of high phenotypic variability, combined with high heritability values and high-quality genotypic data suggest that the double-round-robin population is a very powerful tool for exploring and detecting new genetic variants underlying the control of agronomic traits in barley, also compared to association mapping panels.

4.3 QTL analyses uncovered the role of the genetic background in determining the correlation between FT and PH

We observed that the correlation between FT and PH was different among the HvDRR sub-populations (Figure 2; Supplementary Figure 2). These results are in agreement with those of previous studies where positive and negative correlations have been identified between FT and PH (Von Korff *et al.*, 2006; Maurer *et al.*, 2016; Nice *et al.*, 2017; Schmalenbach *et al.*, 2009), although only one direction of the correlation index, positive or negative, was observed in each of these studies. The high variability of the correlation values could be due to the great genotypic diversity of the parental inbreds used in our study. In order to understand this aspect better, we considered in detail the co-located QTL for FT and PH in the SP analysis.

Considering the sub-populations in which the adjusted entry means of the two traits had the most negative correlation (HvDRR10, HvDRR11, and HvDRR43), all QTL detected for FT were also detected for PH, although additional QTL were observed for the latter trait (Supplementary Tables 5-6). For four of the five FT/PH QTL pairs, the parental inbred line conferring a positive additive effect for PH revealed a negative additive effect for FT and vice versa (Supplementary Tables 5-6; Supplementary Figure 2). At the same time, the three sub-populations with the highest correlation coefficient between FT and PH (HvDRR19, HvDRR28, and HvDRR29) had QTL falling within the same interval for the two traits (Figures 5-6). In this case, however, for the three overlapping pairs of QTL, the positive additive effect was given by the same parental inbred for both traits (Supplementary Tables 5-6; Supplementary Figure 2).

In order to increase the resolution of the dissection of the genetic origin of the correlation between FT and PH, we exploited the MPP analysis. For each of the two studied traits, we identified 21 QTL through MPP analysis (Figure 3). The QTL profiles obtained through MPP

analysis for both traits had peaks falling within neighboring regions for the main genes previously reported to control FT and PH, such as *Ppd-H1* and the three vernalization genes. The diversity of the parental inbreds and the large number of sub-populations as well as the total RILs resulted in a high mapping resolution that led to narrow confidence intervals. In our study, we observed a pleiotropic effect only for two QTL pairs (*FT-MP-Q3/PH-MP-Q3* and *FT-MP-Q19/PH-MP-Q20*). *FT-MP-Q3/PH-MP-Q3*, included in their common interval HORVU.MOREX.r3.1HG0075860 which was functionally annotated as transcription factor, while *FT-MP-Q19/PH-MP-Q20*, which explained a higher percentage of phenotypic variance compared to *FT-MP-Q3/PH-MP-Q3*, included in their intervals *Vrn-H3*. For all other QTL, the effect was separated by recombination. Therewith, our results suggest that FT and PH variations are, with the exception of two QTL, caused by independent genetic factors (Figures 2-3-6-7; Supplementary Tables 4-5-6).

4.4 Multi-parent and single population analyses revealed new genome regions as well as genomic variants involved in the control of flowering time and plant height

The number of QTL identified through MPP analysis (Figure 3; Supplementary Table 4) was, with 21 each, higher compared to the maximum number of QTL, 13 for FT and 20 for PH, that were detected in earlier studies using bi- and multi-parental populations of spring barley (Arifuzzaman *et al.*, 2014; Cuesta-Marcos *et al.*, 2008; Von Korff *et al.*, 2006; Maurer *et al.*, 2015; Nice *et al.*, 2017; Pauli *et al.*, 2014; Rollins *et al.*, 2013; Schmalenbach *et al.*, 2009). The only exception was the study of Hemshrot *et al.* (2019) where a total of 23 QTL were identified for FT. However, in Hemshrot *et al.* (2019), QTL with the same genetic position were detected which reduced the number of QTL with different genetic positions to 13. The reasons for the higher number of QTL detected in our study compared to earlier studies were most probably the greater number of RILs and environments as well as the selection of very diverse parental inbreds (Weisweiler *et al.*, 2019) which both increased the statistical power to detect QTL (Stich, 2009). Our observation suggested that the genetic complexity of FT and PH is higher than initially reported. This conclusion is furthermore supported by the observation that for both traits the percentage of explained variance by a genomic prediction model was about twice the value of the variance explained by the QTL detected in the MPP analysis (Supplementary Table 7). This result suggested that even with about 4000 RILs many small effect QTL remain undetected.

The difference between the percentage of variance explained by a genomic prediction model and the variance explained by the QTL detected in the MPP analysis was greater in the case

of PH compared to FT (Supplementary Table 7). This observation suggests that PH is more strongly influenced by small (and undetected) effect QTL than FT. In addition, the total proportion of variance explained by the detected QTL was with 25.7% lower for PH than for FT (37.4%). This trend was in agreement with the observation that epistatic interaction played a bigger role for PH than for FT (Supplementary Table 8).

The SP QTL analyses detected 89 QTL for FT and 80 for PH (Figures 5-6; Supplementary Tables 5-6). We determined the physical position of QTL reported in earlier studies (Afsharyan *et al.*, 2020; Druka *et al.*, 2011; Hemshrot *et al.*, 2019; Laurie *et al.*, 1994; Maurer *et al.*, 2015; Nice *et al.*, 2017; Pauli *et al.*, 2014), wherever possible, and compared it to the QTL observed in our study. We observed for 166 QTL detected in our study a co-localization with earlier reported QTL. However, three QTL detected with SP analyses, one for FT and two for PH, did not overlap with other previously reported QTL. The novel QTL detected by SP were *qHvDRR30-FT-3.1*, *qHvDRR24-PH-3.1*, and *qHvDRR48-PH-4.1*. The percentage of variance explained by these QTL was relatively low for *qHvDRR30-FT-3.1* (4.3%) but higher for *qHvDRR24-PH-3.1* (26.2%) and *qHvDRR48-PH-4.1* (19.5%). Because of the high percentage of variance explained by *qHvDRR24-PH-3.1*, we started fine mapping project of this QTL, as well as for *qHvDRR28-FT-2.2*, *qHvDRR41-FT-2.2*, *qHvDRR42-FT-3.1*, *qHvDRR22-PH-7.1*, *qHvDRR29-PH-2.1*, and *qHvDRR47-PH-2.1*.

We observed for 21 sub-populations an FT QTL whose confidence interval included the *Ppd-H1* locus. Five of these sub-populations (HvDRR02, HvDRR04, HvDRR20, HvDRR23, and HvDRR48) were not polymorphic for SNP 22 (Figure 7; Supplementary Table 1). SNP 22 is located within the CCT domain of *Ppd-H1*, one of the two main regulatory regions of the *Ppd-H1* causal gene (Turner *et al.*, 2005). SNP 22 was described as the polymorphism responsible for the difference between the dominant and recessive allelic variant of *Ppd-H1* (Turner *et al.*, 2005). Although more than 80 variants had been detected for *Ppd-H1* (Jones *et al.*, 2008), SNP 22 was so far the only functionally characterized polymorphism for which a difference in phenotype has been reported. A further polymorphism of *Ppd-H1*, SNP 48 (Jones *et al.*, 2008), had previously been associated with FT variation. However, the study of Sharma *et al.* (2020) did not observe hints that SNP 48 was the causal SNP of the *Ppd-H1* mutation. In addition, in none of the above mentioned five sub-populations, SNP 48 was segregating. All five sub-populations had HOR1842 or IG128104 as parental inbreds (Supplementary Table 1). From the whole genome sequencing data of the parental inbreds (Weisweiler *et al.*, 2022), followed by Sanger sequencing, we identified a not previously reported polymorphism, SNP 1945, unique to HOR1842 and IG128104 (Figure 7). SNP 1945 is located within the CCT domain of *Ppd-H1* and it causes the synthesis of threonine

599 instead of alanine (Supplementary Figure 4). This amino acid change was predicted by the
600 SIFT algorithm as deleterious. In the sub-population HvDRR24, whose parental inbreds
601 were HOR1842 and IG128104, we did not detect a QTL either for FT or for PH in the genome
602 region of *Ppd-H1*. Together with the fact that HOR1842 and IG128104 originated from the
603 same geographical region (south-central Asia), these observations support the hypothesis
604 that HOR1842 and IG128104 might carry the same causal polymorphism. In addition, we
605 observed that the additive effect for FT QTL co-locating with *Ppd-H1* was, with about 3.5
606 days, higher in sub-populations that segregated for SNP 22 compared to about 2.3 days for
607 the five sub-populations that did not segregate for SNP 22 (Supplementary Table 5). For the
608 latter sub-populations, the additive effect assumed a positive value for the RILs that inherited
609 the *Ppd-H1* allele from HOR1842 or IG128104. These findings suggest that SNP 1945 is
610 the causal polymorphism for the QTL in those sub-populations that are monomorphic for
611 SNP 22 as well as a new functional allelic variant of *Ppd-H1*.

612 A similar observation was made for the QTL co-localizing with *Vrn-H2*. The *Vrn-H2* locus has
613 been described as one of the main loci responsible for the difference between winter and
614 spring barley varieties (Distelfeld *et al.*, 2009). This difference is caused by the total deletion
615 of a complex of three genes (*ZCCT-Ha*, *ZCCT-Hb*, and *ZCCT-Hc*) in the spring barley
616 genotypes or, in the case of facultative genotypes, of a partial deletion (Fernández-Calleja
617 *et al.*, 2021; Karsai *et al.*, 2005). Surprisingly, we observed for four of the HvDRR parental
618 inbreds the complete set of *Vrn-H2* causal genes in spring varieties of barley
619 (Supplementary Figure 5), which was previously reported only for winter varieties
620 (Fernández-Calleja *et al.*, 2021). This observation suggests that the plant response to the
621 vernalization requirement may be more complex than previously assumed and not merely
622 based on the presence/absence of the *Vrn-H2* genes. In addition, among the six sub-
623 populations for which an FT QTL was detected at the *Vrn-H2* genome position, one sub-
624 population, HvDRR29, was monomorphic for the number of *Vrn-H2* genes. Both parental
625 lines, HOR8160 and IG128126 carried three *Vrn-H2* causal genes (Supplementary Figure
626 5). Similarly to *Ppd-H1*, it could be hypothesized that one of the parental lines of sub-
627 population HvDRR29 carried a new functional allelic variant or that an additional gene, that
628 acted on the phenotype in a similar way to *ZCCT-Ha:c*, was present within the same QTL
629 confidence interval.

630 These two examples suggest that the genetic complexity of the studied traits might be higher
631 than anticipated from the simple comparison of the list of co-localizing QTL and can now be
632 resolved using multiple segregating populations together with next-generation sequencing

of the parental inbreds. In addition, the cloning of the underlying genes will complement our understanding of the regulatory mechanisms of flowering time and plant height.

4.5 Candidate gene analysis for a subset of the QTL

We first extracted the polymorphic genes among the parental inbred lines within the confidence interval of the QTL that explained $\geq 15\%$ of the phenotypic variance, had a confidence interval ≤ 30 cM, and did not carry in their confidence interval any previously reported gene controlling the trait under consideration. Then, we combined this screening with the results obtained from the WGCNA, selecting the three modules that showed each the lowest and highest correlation with FT and PH (Supplementary Figure 6).

Among the QTL detected for FT, *qHvDRR28-FT-2.2* was the one that had the highest percentage of explained variance and, at the same time, had the shortest genetic confidence interval. Two, out of the five candidate genes identified for this QTL, encoded for the pseudo-response regulator 3 (PRR3) HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0170150 and the ethylene-responsive transcription factor HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0170460 (Supplementary Table 10). Pseudo-response regulator is the same class of genes to which *Ppd-H1* belongs. The role of these genes is critical for the regulation of the plant circadian clock (Eriksson and Millar, 2003; Mizuno and Nakamichi, 2005) and it has been described, among the other functions, to be involved in the control of flowering time (Hayama and Coupland, 2004). Five different sub-groups belonging to this class of genes have been reported: PRR1, PRR3, PRR5, PRR7 (to which *Ppd-H1* belongs), and PRR9 (Matsushika *et al.*, 2000). Phylogenetic analyses grouped the five sub-groups into three main clusters: PRR1, PRR5-PRR9, and PRR3-PRR7 (Nakamichi *et al.*, 2020). Although genes belonging to all three clusters have been described to control flowering time or to be influenced by the photoperiod, the only cluster containing genes from grass species described to be dependent on the photoperiod and at the same time to control flowering time was PRR3-PRR7 (Nakamichi *et al.*, 2020). Therewith this gene is an interesting target for further functional studies.

Genes responsible for ethylene biosynthesis are instead involved in a multitude of developmental processes throughout the plant life cycle, ranging from the early stages of plant development to the regulation of senescence (Bleecker and Kende, 2000). The concentration of ethylene also influences gene networks that regulate flowering in order to optimize the timing of the transition from the vegetative to the reproductive stage in relation to endogenous and external stimuli (Iqbal *et al.*, 2017). Although further studies are needed to identify the pathways regulated by ethylene in barley, in rice, overexpression of an

668 ethylene receptor (*ETR2*) was associated with delayed flowering (Hada *et al.*, 2009). The
669 delay was associated with an up-regulation of a homologous gene of *GIGANTEA* and
670 *TERMINAL FLOWER 1/CENTRORADIALIS* (Hada *et al.*, 2009), both of these classes of
671 genes are involved in barley in the control of flowering since *HvGI* (Dunford *et al.*, 2005) and
672 *HvCEN* (Comadran *et al.*, 2012) belong to them. Ethylene is also involved in plant growth
673 (Dubois *et al.*, 2018) and its role in vegetative development in plants has been described in
674 barley (Patil *et al.*, 2019). In addition to the one found in *qHvDRR28-FT-2.2*, we also
675 identified two ethylene-responsive transcription factors (HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0685230
676 and HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0182430) in *qHvDRR22-PH-7.1* and *qHvDRR29-PH-2.1*.
677 Besides being an ethylene-responsive transcription factor,
678 HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0182430 also belongs to the same class of genes as *HvAP2*.
679 In addition to functional data, we used association genetics to fine map the detected QTL
680 using the diversity panel which was evaluated in the same set of environments as the
681 HvDRR population. For FT, none of the polymorphisms from Milner *et al.* (2019) that were
682 located in the QTL confidence intervals were significantly associated ($p < 0.05$) with FT
683 variation. The reason for this discrepancy was most probably that association mapping
684 panels have a low power to detect marker-trait associations in the case of low frequency
685 alleles (Myles *et al.*, 2009), which is overcome by using segregating populations as in the
686 HvDRR population. For PH, low significant marker-trait associations have been detected.
687 However, only one of the polymorphisms was in proximity (< 150 kbp) to
688 HORVU.MOREX.r3.3HG0222500, a candidate gene detected for *qHvDRR24-PH-3.1* using
689 the WGCNA approach (Supplementary Table 10; Supplementary Figure 8).
690 These results suggest that the integration of QTL analyses with other omics data sets
691 supports the detection of candidate genes regulating traits of agronomic interest.

692 5 CONCLUSIONS

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694 The great phenotypic variability observed for FT and PH in the HvDRR population suggests
 695 that this population will be a powerful genetic resource to detect new regulatory mechanisms
 696 that could allow to extend the barley cultivation area or its adaptation in changing
 697 environmental conditions. Furthermore, it was observed how environmental variables
 698 affected these traits and how the environmental component had a greater influence on plant
 699 height compared to flowering time. In addition, our study provides a comprehensive
 700 summary of the genetic architecture of FT and PH and serves as basis for future QTL cloning
 701 studies. Finally, the detection of novel QTL but also the observation that additional alleles or
 702 genes segregate at known loci like *Ppd-H1* and *Vrn-H2* suggests that the studied traits are
 703 genetically more complex than previously reported.

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727 10 DATA AVAILABILITY

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729 The codes used for the calculation of the adjusted entry means, the single and multi-parent
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 731 data sets of the adjusted entry means of the HvDRR population, the genetic haplotypes
 732 used to build the ancestral model, and the genotypic and phenotypic data used in the QTL
 733 analyses are deposited at https://github.com/cosenzaf/HvDRR_FT_PH. The data of
 734 membership of genes to gene modules used in the WGCNA are deposited in
 735 https://zenodo.org/record/7525604#.Y7_VgxXMLIW. Genetic maps and variant calling data
 736 can be obtained from Casale *et al.* (2022) and Weisweiler *et al.* (2022). Seeds of the RILs
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1006 12 TABLES AND FIGURES LEGENDS

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1008 **Table 1:** Variance components of the multi-environment linear mixed model and heritability
1009 values for flowering time and plant height. G represents the genetic variance, E the
1010 environmental variance, G:E the variance explained by the interaction between G and E,
1011 and e the residual error.

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1013 **Figure 1:** Violin plots for adjusted entry means for flowering time and plant height of each
1014 HvDRR sub-population and for the 224 inbreds of the diversity panel. The flowering time is
1015 presented as days after sowing (DAS) and the plant height values are reported in cm. The
1016 green dots represent the adjusted entry means of the parental inbreds of the sub-population.
1017 The orange lines represent the average of the adjusted entry means of the recombinant
1018 inbred lines of the respective sub-population.

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1020 **Figure 2:** Distribution of correlation coefficients between flowering time and plant height
1021 calculated for the HvDRR sub-populations. On the x axis the correlation coefficients are
1022 represented and on the y axis the number of sub-populations.

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1024 **Figure 3:** Negative decadic logarithm of the p-value of the multi-parent population analysis
1025 for flowering time (top) and plant height (bottom) using an ancestral model. On the x axis,
1026 the position on the consensus genetic map is reported. Each dashed line indicates the peak
1027 position of the corresponding QTL.

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1029 **Figure 4:** Heat map of the effects of the parental inbreds at the QTL detected through multi-
1030 parent population analysis for flowering time (top, in days after sowing) and for plant height
1031 (bottom, in cm). Indexed letters indicate the significance of the difference ($p < 0.05$) between
1032 the effects of the same QTL.

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1034 **Figure 5:** Genetic position of the QTL detected in single population analyses for flowering
1035 time projected to the consensus map. The position of the QTL confidence intervals is
1036 represented as a vertical bar parallel to the right of the chromosome. The color of the bar
1037 indicates if the sub-population was obtained by crossing two landraces (yellow), two cultivars
1038 (blue), or a landrace and a cultivar (green). The genetic positions of the known genes
1039 regulating flowering time in barley are shown in red. The positions of the markers that flank
1040 each QTL are also reported.

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1042 **Figure 6:** Genetic position of the QTL detected in single population analysis for plant height
1043 projected to the consensus map. The position of the QTL confidence intervals is shown as
1044 a vertical bar to the right of the chromosome. The color of the bar indicates if the sub-
1045 population was obtained by crossing two landraces (yellow), two cultivars (blue), or a
1046 landrace and a cultivar (green). The known regulatory genes previously described to be
1047 responsible for plant height regulation and their genetic position are reported in red. The
1048 positions of the markers at the borders of each QTL are also reported.

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1050 **Figure 7:** Genomic sequence of the last exon of *Ppd-H1* of Morex, Igri, Optic, Golden
1051 Promise, Triumph, and the 23 parental inbreds of the HvDRR population. SNP 22 is
1052 highlighted in yellow, SNP 1945 in orange. On top, the gene structure of *Ppd-H1* is given.
1053 Lines indicate the positions of SNP 21, SNP 22 (Turner *et al*, 2005), and SNP 1945 within
1054 the last exon.

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1056 **Supplementary Table 1:** Crossing scheme of the 45 HvDRR sub-populations. The name of
1057 the sub-populations is reported in the first column. In the second and third column are
1058 indicated the inbred lines that originated the sub-populations.

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1060 **Supplementary Table 2:** Genetic and physical distances for which the linkage
1061 disequilibrium measured r^2 reached a value of 0.2.

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1063 **Supplementary Table 3:** Average of the adjusted entry means, standard deviations (SD),
1064 and coefficients of variation (CoV) across all 45 sub-populations for flowering time, in days
1065 after sowing, and plant height, in cm.

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1067 **Supplementary Table 4:** Summary of the results of the multi-parent population analysis for
1068 flowering time and plant height. Chr indicates the chromosome on which the QTL was
1069 detected, LOD the logarithm of odds, PVE the percentage of variance explained by the QTL.

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1071 **Supplementary Table 5:** Summary of the results of the single population analysis for
1072 flowering time. The information regarding the peak and the borders of the confidence interval
1073 of each QTL are reported. Chr represents the chromosome on which the QTL was detected,
1074 LOD the logarithm of odds, and PVE the percentage of variance explained by the QTL
1075 individually and in a simultaneous fit. The additive effect is given in days after sowing.

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1077 **Supplementary Table 6:** Summary of the results of the single population analysis for plant
1078 height. The information regarding the peak and the borders of the confidence interval of
1079 each QTL are reported. Chr represents the chromosome on which the QTL was detected,
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1081 individually and in a simultaneous fit. The additive effect is given in cm.

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1083 **Supplementary Table 7:** Prediction ability of the genomic SNP marker data for flowering
1084 time and plant height without cross-validation (CV) and with five fold cross-validation across
1085 all sub-populations. SD indicates the standard deviation.

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1087 **Supplementary Table 8:** Genome-wide epistatic loci detected in the HvDRR population.
1088 LOD indicates the logarithm of odds of the interaction.

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1090 **Supplementary Table 9:** Lists of primers used to amplify *Ppd-H1* and *Vrn-H2*. The *Ppd-H1*
1091 primers are listed for each parental inbred. N-ter primers were used to amplify the start while
1092 the C-ter primers the end of the coding sequences. The primers pairs marked with * amplified
1093 the whole genet. Primers used to amplify *Vrn-H2* have the same nomenclature as described
1094 in Karsai *et al.* (2005).

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1096 **Supplementary Table 10:** List of candidate genes in the confidence interval of selected QTL
1097 that carried a polymorphism among the parental lines. IN/DEL indicates an insertion or a
1098 deletion, SV indicates predicted structural variants.

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1100 **Supplementary Figure 1:** Histogram and correlation plot between flowering time (FT) and
1101 plant height (PH) across all 45 HvDRR sub-populations. Flowering time is reported in days
1102 after sowing (DAS) and plant height in cm.

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1104 **Supplementary Figure 2:** Histograms and correlation plots between flowering time (FT, in
1105 days after sowing) and plant height (PH, in cm), for each of the 45 HvDRR sub-populations.

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1107 **Supplementary Figure 3:** Effect size of the QTL detected through multi-parent population
1108 analysis for flowering time (top, in days after sowing) and plant height (bottom, in cm), for
1109 each of the parental lines.

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1111 **Supplementary Figure 4:** Amino acid sequence of the terminal region of *Ppd-H1* of Morex,
1112 Igri, Optic, Golden Promise, Triumph, and the 23 parental inbreds of the HvDRR population.
1113 The amino acid synthesized by the triplet containing SNP 22 is highlighted in yellow, the one
1114 synthesized by the triplet containing SNP 1945 is highlighted in blue.

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1116 **Supplementary Figure 5:** Gel pictures of PCRs performed to detect the presence/absence
1117 of *ZCCT-Ha:b* (top) and *ZCCT-Hc* (bottom) as described in Karsai *et al.* (2005). The analyzed
1118 genotypes are Bowman (control spring variety), Antonella (control winter variety), Igri
1119 (control winter variety), and the parental inbreds of the sub-populations for which a QTL co-
1120 localizing with *Vrn-H2* was detected.

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1122 **Supplementary Figure 6:** Heat map of the module-trait relationships for plant height (PH)
1123 and flowering time (FT). On the y axis, the 27 detected modules are reported. For each
1124 module-trait correlation p-values are given in brackets.

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1126 **Supplementary Figure 7:** Network predictions for modules “orange” (a), “black” (b),
1127 “darkgreen” (c), “purple” (d), “tan” (e), “lightyellow” (f), “green” (g), “blue” (h), and “turquoise”
1128 (i). Gene names with a gene-module membership p-value < 0.01 are indicated in the orange
1129 circles. Gene-gene interactions are represented by grey lines.

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1131 **Supplementary Figure 8:** Negative decadic logarithm of the p-value for association tests
1132 of sequence variants in QTL without previously reported genes for the control of the trait
1133 within their interval, explaining $\geq 15\%$ variance, and with interval ≤ 30 cM for flowering time
1134 (left) and plant height (right). The QTL confidence intervals from single population analyses
1135 are indicated by colored bars.

Table 1: Variance components of the multi-environment linear mixed model and heritability values for flowering time and plant height. G represents the genetic variance, E the environmental variance, G:E the variance explained by the interaction between G and E, and e the residual error.

Trait	Groups	Variance	h^2
Flowering time	G	41.33	0.86
	E	77.12	
	G:E	22.31	
	e	17.02	
Plant height	G	41.46	0.76
	E	128.55	
	G:E	36.32	
	e	56.04	

Figure 1: Violin plots for adjusted entry means for flowering time and plant height of each HvDRR sub-population and for the 224 inbreds of the diversity panel. The flowering time is presented as days after sowing (DAS) and the plant height values are reported in cm. The green dots represent the adjusted entry means of the parental inbreds of the sub-population. The orange lines represent the average of the adjusted entry means of the recombinant inbred lines of the respective sub-population.

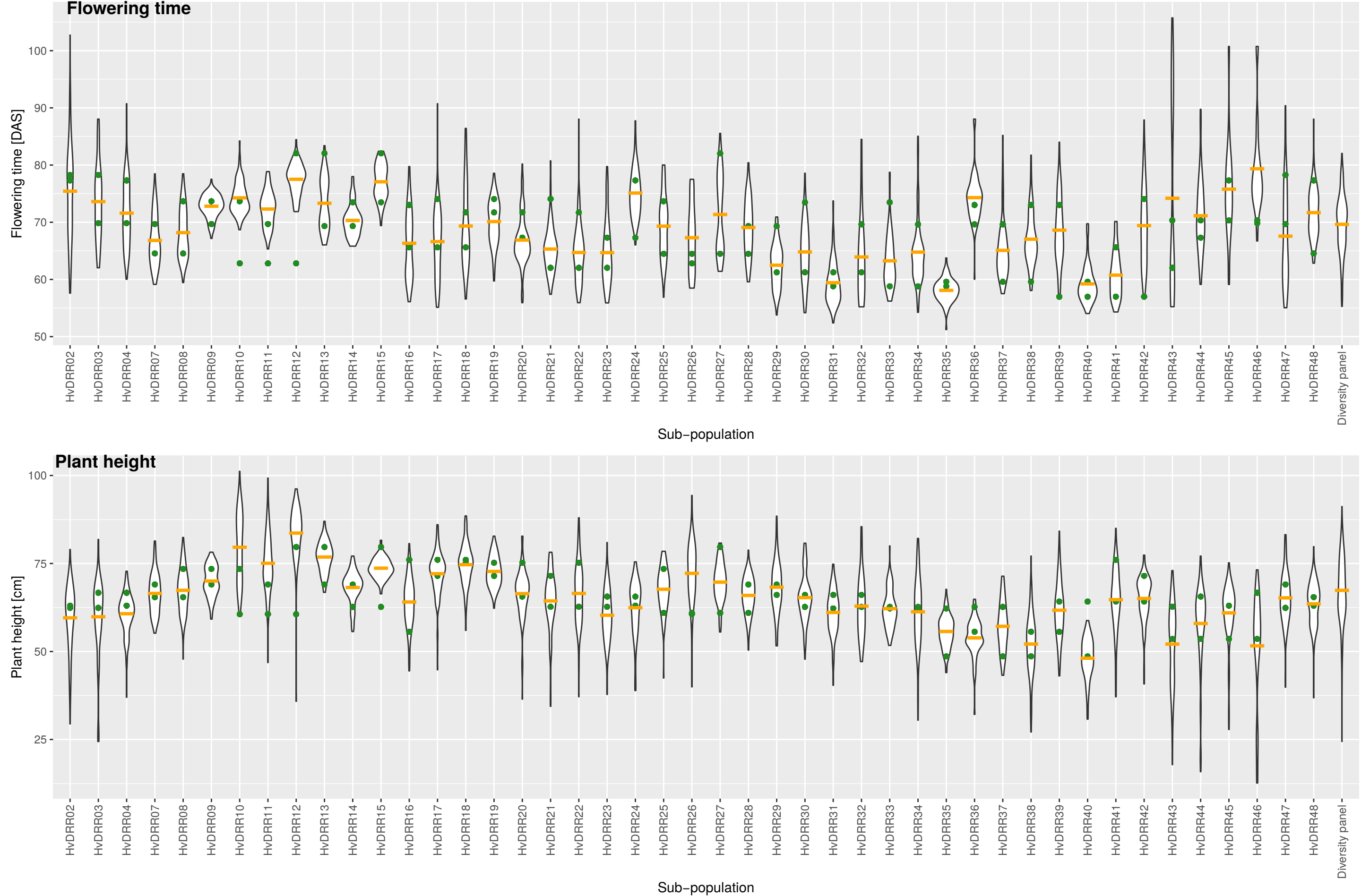


Figure 2: Distribution of correlation coefficients between flowering time and plant height calculated for the HvDRR sub-populations. On the x axis the correlation coefficients are represented and on the y axis the number of sub-populations.

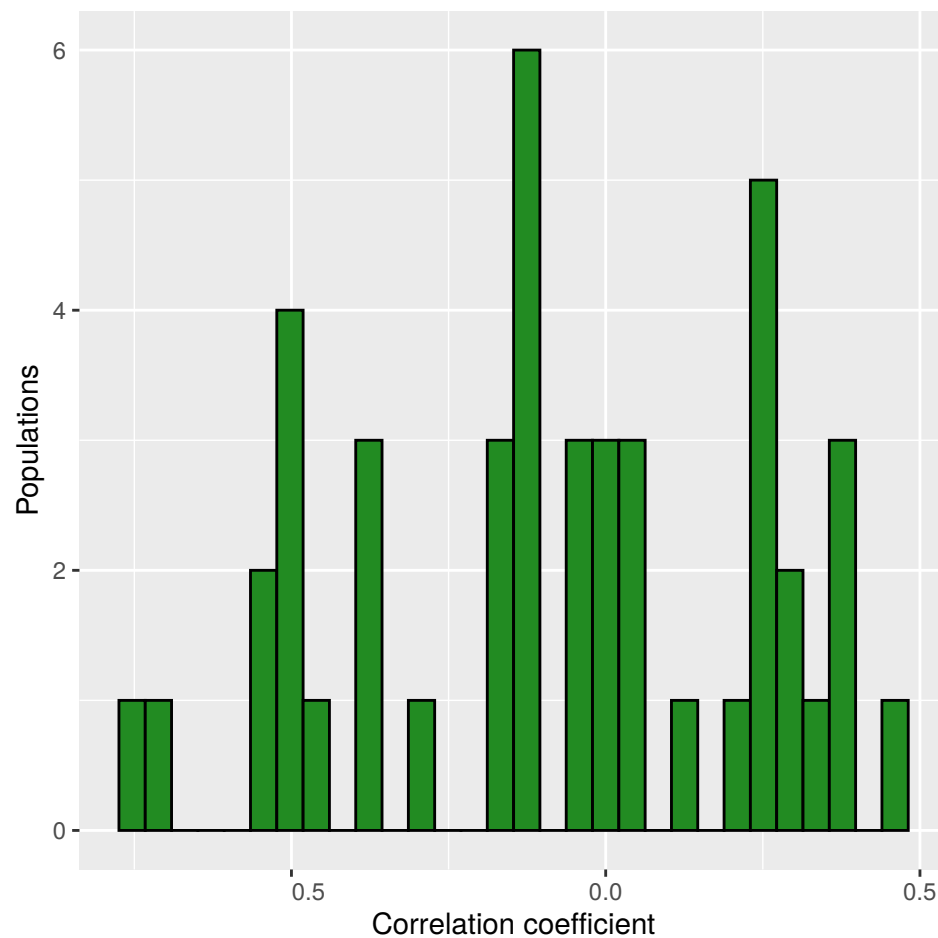


Figure 3: Negative decadic logarithm of the p-value of the multi-parent population analysis for flowering time (top) and plant height (bottom) using an ancestral model. On the x axis, the position on the consensus genetic map is reported. Each dashed line indicates the peak position of the corresponding QTL.



Figure 4: Heat map of the effects of the parental inbreds at the QTL detected through multi-parent population analysis for flowering time (top, in days after sowing) and for plant height (bottom, in cm). Indexed letters indicate the significance of the difference ($p < 0.05$) between the effects of the same QTL.

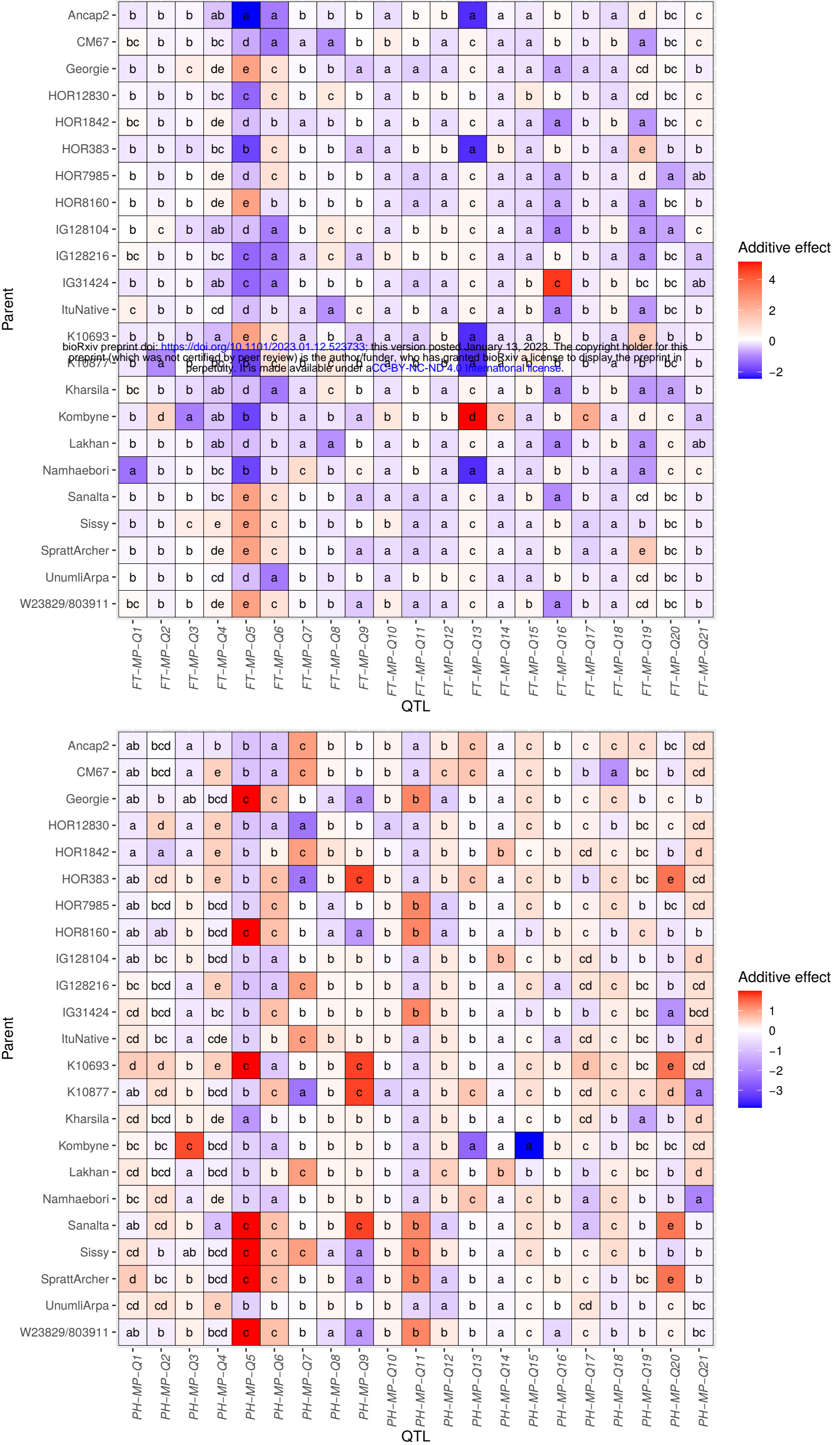


Figure 5: Genetic position of the QTL detected in single population analyses for flowering time projected to the consensus map. The position of the QTL confidence intervals is represented as a vertical bar parallel to the right of the chromosome. The color of the bar indicates if the sub-population was obtained by crossing two landraces (yellow), two cultivars (blue), or a landrace and a cultivar (green). The genetic positions of the known genes regulating flowering time in barley are shown in red. The positions of the markers that flank each QTL are also reported.

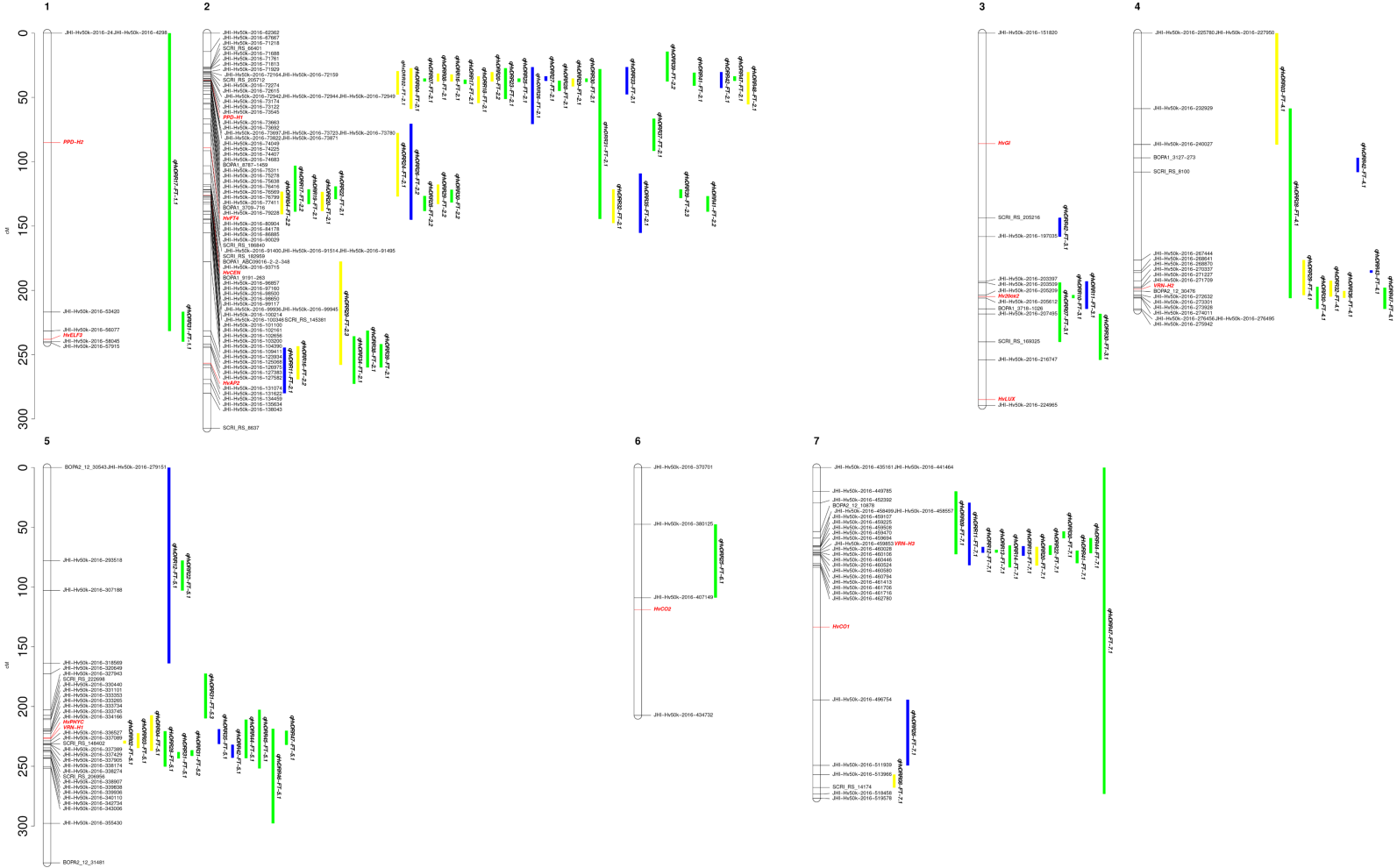


Figure 6: Genetic position of the QTL detected in single population analysis for plant height projected to the consensus map. The position of the QTL confidence intervals is shown as a vertical bar to the right of the chromosome. The color of the bar indicates if the sub-population was obtained by crossing two landraces (yellow), two cultivars (blue), or a landrace and a cultivar (green). The known regulatory genes previously described to be responsible for plant height regulation and their genetic position are reported in red. The positions of the markers at the borders of each QTL are also reported.

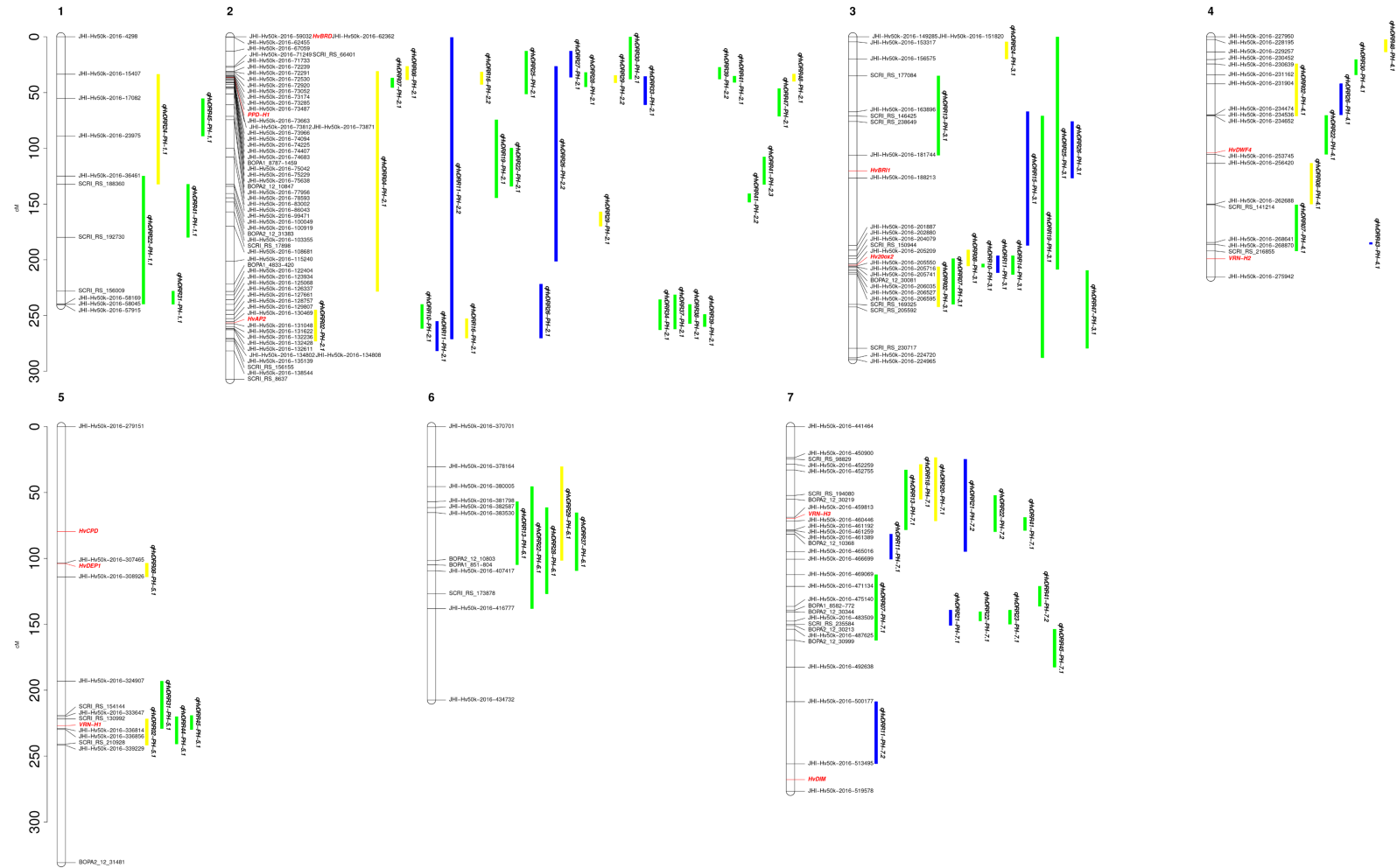
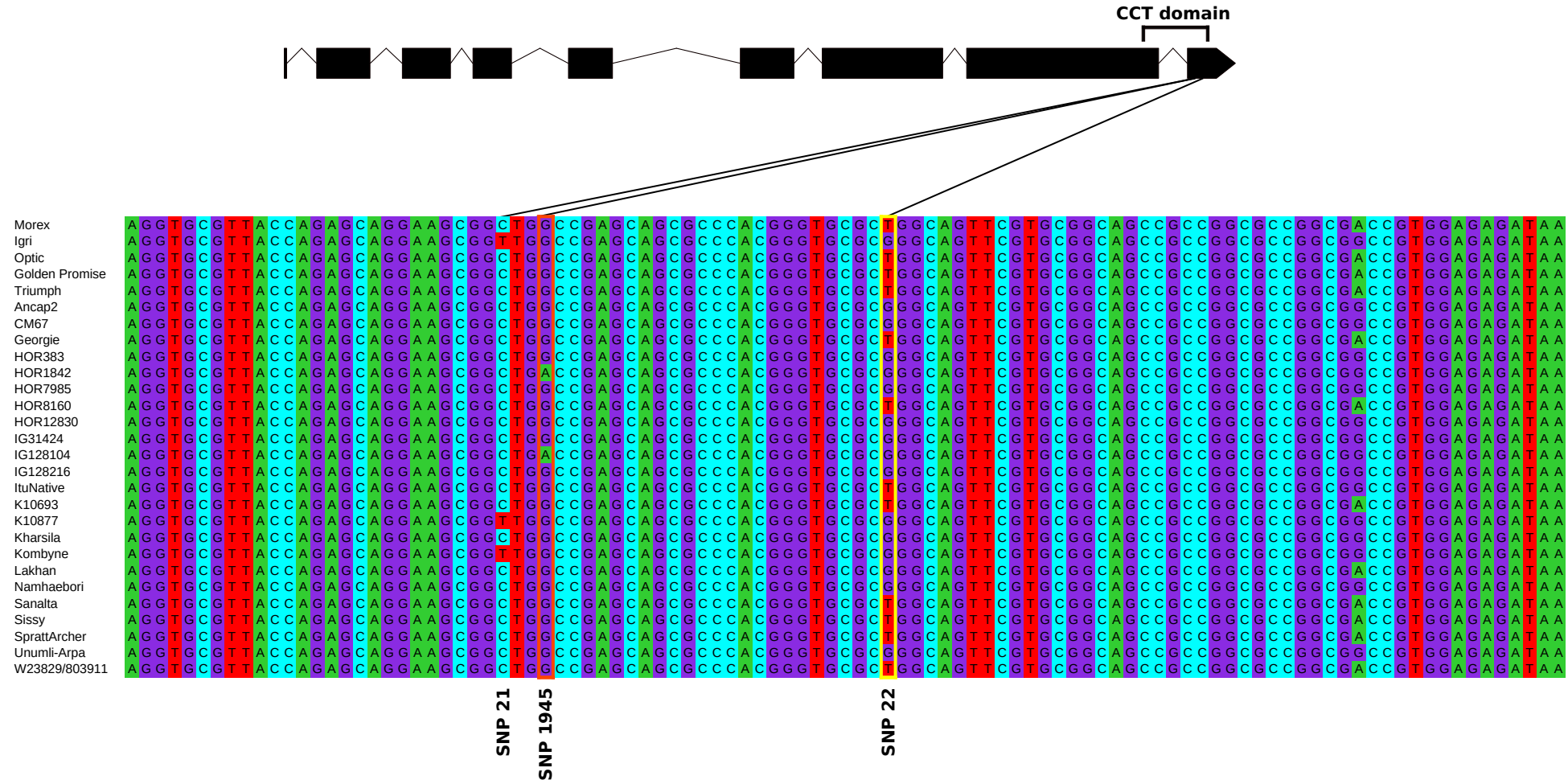


Figure 7: Genomic sequence of the last exon of *Ppd-H1* of Morex, Igri, Optic, Golden Promise, Triumph, and the 23 parental inbreds of the HvDRR population. SNP 22 is highlighted in yellow, SNP 1945 in orange. On top, the gene structure of *Ppd-H1* is given. Lines indicate the positions of SNP 21, SNP 22 (Turner *et al.*, 2005), and SNP 1945 within the last exon.



Supplementary Table 1: Crossing scheme of the 45 HvDRR sub-populations. The name of the sub-populations is reported in the first column. In the second and third column are indicated the inbred lines that originated the sub-populations.

Sub-population	Parent A	Parent B
HvDRR02	HOR1842	IG31424
HvDRR03	Kharsila	IG31424
HvDRR04	HOR1842	Kharsila
HvDRR07	Sissy	HOR7985
HvDRR08	HOR7985	W23829/803911
HvDRR09	Sissy	W23829/803911
HvDRR10	Sanalta	W23829/803911
HvDRR11	Sanalta	Sissy
HvDRR12	SprattArcher	Sanalta
HvDRR13	SprattArcher	HOR8160
HvDRR14	Georgie	HOR8160
HvDRR15	SprattArcher	Georgie
HvDRR16	K10693	HOR12830
HvDRR17	K10693	Ancap2
HvDRR18	HOR383	K10693
HvDRR19	HOR383	Ancap2
HvDRR20	IG128104	HOR383
HvDRR21	Ancap2	Namhaebori
HvDRR22	HOR383	Namhaebori
HvDRR23	IG128104	Namhaebori
HvDRR24	IG128104	HOR1842
HvDRR25	W23829/803911	Unumli-Arpa
HvDRR26	Unumli-Arpa	Sanalta
HvDRR27	Unumli-Arpa	SprattArcher
HvDRR28	Unumli-Arpa	HOR8160
HvDRR29	HOR8160	IG128216
HvDRR30	IG128216	Georgie
HvDRR31	Lakhan	IG128216
HvDRR32	IG128216	K10877
HvDRR33	Georgie	Lakhan
HvDRR34	K10877	Lakhan
HvDRR35	Lakhan	CM67
HvDRR36	HOR12830	K10877
HvDRR37	K10877	CM67
HvDRR38	HOR12830	CM67
HvDRR39	HOR12830	ItuNative
HvDRR40	ItuNative	CM67
HvDRR41	ItuNative	K10693
HvDRR42	Ancap2	ItuNative
HvDRR43	Kombyne	Namhaebori
HvDRR44	IG128104	Kombyne
HvDRR45	HOR1842	Kombyne
HvDRR46	Kharsila	Kombyne
HvDRR47	IG31424	Sissy
HvDRR48	HOR1842	HOR7985

Supplementary Table 2: Genetic and physical distances for which the linkage disequilibrium measured r^2 reached a value of 0.2.

Chromosome	cM	bp
1H	3.03	1462496
2H	2.21	1214368
3H	1.85	1254651
4H	1.75	998605
5H	2.05	898399
6H	1.51	915485
7H	3.15	1077964

Supplementary Table 3: Average of the adjusted entry means, standard deviations (SD), and coefficients of variation (CoV) across all 45 sub-populations for flowering time, in days after sowing, and plant height, in cm.

Sub-population	Flowering time (DAS)			Plant height (cm)		
	Mean	SD	CoV	Mean	SD	CoV
HvDRR02	75.42	8.61	11.41	59.57	9.45	15.86
HvDRR03	73.61	6.57	8.93	59.87	11.16	18.65
HvDRR04	71.59	5.87	8.20	60.74	5.72	9.42
HvDRR07	66.82	4.44	6.65	66.51	5.66	8.51
HvDRR08	68.19	4.36	6.39	67.38	6.32	9.37
HvDRR09	72.81	1.99	2.73	70.02	4.28	6.11
HvDRR10	74.27	2.81	3.78	79.62	9.72	12.20
HvDRR11	72.31	3.07	4.24	75.07	8.42	11.21
HvDRR12	77.52	2.72	3.51	83.64	8.29	9.91
HvDRR13	73.32	4.45	6.07	76.84	4.31	5.61
HvDRR14	70.32	2.79	3.96	68.18	4.60	6.74
HvDRR15	77.08	3.07	3.98	73.66	2.82	3.83
HvDRR16	66.33	5.89	8.88	64.06	7.02	10.95
HvDRR17	66.62	6.24	9.36	72.10	6.37	8.84
HvDRR18	69.34	7.20	10.39	74.67	5.90	7.90
HvDRR19	70.12	3.91	5.57	72.75	4.27	5.87
HvDRR20	66.89	4.44	6.64	66.44	7.17	10.80
HvDRR21	65.32	4.14	6.33	64.37	8.32	12.92
HvDRR22	64.71	5.11	7.89	66.50	8.82	13.26
HvDRR23	64.69	5.68	8.78	60.31	7.47	12.38
HvDRR24	75.11	4.13	5.50	62.45	7.78	12.45
HvDRR25	69.32	5.42	7.82	67.68	6.28	9.28
HvDRR26	67.30	5.87	8.72	72.20	9.23	12.78
HvDRR27	71.36	6.77	9.49	69.71	5.55	7.96
HvDRR28	69.08	4.87	7.04	65.94	5.23	7.93
HvDRR29	62.49	3.79	6.07	68.28	7.20	10.55
HvDRR30	64.81	5.27	8.13	65.31	6.75	10.33
HvDRR31	59.43	3.71	6.24	61.09	6.35	10.39
HvDRR32	63.93	7.26	11.36	62.89	8.78	13.96
HvDRR33	63.25	4.64	7.33	62.17	5.43	8.73
HvDRR34	64.78	5.79	8.94	61.29	10.01	16.33
HvDRR35	58.09	2.00	3.44	55.69	4.58	8.23
HvDRR36	74.31	4.30	5.79	53.87	5.40	10.03
HvDRR37	65.08	5.25	8.06	57.15	6.90	12.07
HvDRR38	67.04	4.68	6.98	52.11	8.83	16.94
HvDRR39	68.62	5.80	8.46	61.73	8.12	13.15
HvDRR40	59.23	3.32	5.60	48.10	5.85	12.17
HvDRR41	60.76	4.03	6.63	64.73	9.18	14.18
HvDRR42	69.42	6.91	9.96	65.06	6.51	10.01
HvDRR43	74.19	17.29	23.31	52.10	11.48	22.03
HvDRR44	71.14	6.25	8.79	57.96	11.51	19.86
HvDRR45	75.79	8.50	11.22	60.96	8.47	13.89
HvDRR46	79.35	8.21	10.34	51.62	15.76	30.53
HvDRR47	67.57	8.42	12.47	65.24	7.40	11.35
HvDRR48	71.68	4.37	6.09	63.54	6.29	9.91
Diversity panel	69.63	5.12	7.35	67.38	9.44	14.01

Supplementary Table 4: Summary of the results of the multi-parent population analysis for flowering time and plant height. Chr indicates the chromosome on which the QTL was detected, LOD the logarithm of odds, PVE the percentage of variance explained by the QTL.

Trait	QTL	Chr	Peak marker	Peak cM	Marker position (bp)	LOD	Left border marker	Left border cM	Left border bp	Right border marker	Right border cM	Right border marker bp	PVE
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q1	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-15152	31.2	20945275	5.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-15113	31.1	20931089	JHI-Hv50k-2016-15160	31.2	20945741	0.47
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q2	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-29220	101.4	383491828	3.2	JHI-Hv50k-2016-29224	101.4	383487512	JHI-Hv50k-2016-29301	101.5	383908136	0.41
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q3	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-40963	158.5	473573522	4.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-40966	158.5	473572474	BOPA1_8867-459	158.6	473633633	0.20
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q4	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-57415	237.0	514738633	5.0	JHI-Hv50k-2016-57153	235.4	514047135	SCRI_RS_195067	237.5	514495168	0.09
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q5	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73174	35.2	25327192	134.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73052	34.6	25023220	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73184	35.3	25332315	11.31
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q6	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-96906	126.9	471939672	41.8	SCRI_RS_231725	126.7	470678535	JHI-Hv50k-2016-97380	127.1	474383159	3.63
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q7	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-113511	195.4	601391766	4.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-113490	195.2	601232283	JHI-Hv50k-2016-113518	195.4	601395368	0.57
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q8	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-129773	252.5	633228569	8.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-129562	252.0	633013755	JHI-Hv50k-2016-129785	252.5	633229906	0.70
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q9	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-186187	119.2	462714357	4.7	JHI-Hv50k-2016-186122	118.9	462283595	JHI-Hv50k-2016-186284	119.5	463381185	0.16
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q10	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-203283	192.7	555799017	7.7	JHI-Hv50k-2016-203302	192.6	555747286	JHI-Hv50k-2016-203280	192.7	555799748	0.60
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q11	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-240101	86.6	98719384	3.3	JHI-Hv50k-2016-239980	86.5	96686737	JHI-Hv50k-2016-240141	86.8	103960077	0.27
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q12	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-260654	138.2	566586983	3.3	JHI-Hv50k-2016-260734	138.2	566569810	JHI-Hv50k-2016-260896	138.5	566780698	0.36
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q13	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-272205	200.3	602110401	89.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-272207	200.3	602110153	JHI-Hv50k-2016-272270	200.5	602228904	8.09
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q14	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-305151	93.6	408438294	4.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-305116	93.2	406868619	BOPA1_1910-1343	93.6	408439377	0.34
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q15	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-320334	170.0	494941401	3.5	BOPA1_6315-914	169.7	494772390	JHI-Hv50k-2016-320591	172.4	496478147	0.59
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q16	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-335345	225.2	527249716	68.0	JHI-Hv50k-2016-335374	225.1	527215217	JHI-Hv50k-2016-335344	225.2	527249879	6.53
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q17	6H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-384060	67.4	37903550	3.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-384032	67.3	37813552	JHI-Hv50k-2016-384334	68.1	38660657	0.06
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q18	6H	SCRI_RS_187506	125.2	505526557	3.7	JHI-Hv50k-2016-413770	125.1	505418085	JHI-Hv50k-2016-413779	125.3	505747019	0.26
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q19	7H	BOPA2_12_30893	69.6	42285518	31.2	JHI-Hv50k-2016-459744	68.9	41824854	JHI-Hv50k-2016-460024	71.0	43186352	2.16
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q20	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-473460	130.0	107115320	4.7	JHI-Hv50k-2016-473455	130.0	107102377	JHI-Hv50k-2016-473673	130.7	109831240	0.33
Flowering time	FT-MP-Q21	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-513247	254.2	617492723	4.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-513245	254.2	617492616	JHI-Hv50k-2016-513260	254.4	617569820	0.31
Plant height	PH-MP-Q1	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-11753	15.5	13379830	3.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-11824	15.5	13388270	JHI-Hv50k-2016-11704	15.6	13343738	0.32
Plant height	PH-MP-Q2	1H	BOPA2_12_10489	87.9	304792051	3.2	BOPA2_12_30562	87.5	2989923323	OPA1_ABC11913-1-1-104	88.1	306458264	0.30
Plant height	PH-MP-Q3	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-40963	158.5	473573522	5.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-40966	158.5	473572474	BOPA1_8867-459	158.6	473633633	0.82
Plant height	PH-MP-Q4	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-55210	225.8	509418137	5.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-54826	223.9	508501007	JHI-Hv50k-2016-55434	226.2	509597380	0.33
Plant height	PH-MP-Q5	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73562	36.6	25931885	42.6	BOPA2_12_30871	36.5	25877164	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73570	36.6	25936707	4.90
Plant height	PH-MP-Q6	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-106330	161.9	567013913	9.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-106282	161.8	566933880	JHI-Hv50k-2016-106390	162.0	567072224	1.20
Plant height	PH-MP-Q7	2H	SCRI_RS_121952	256.4	635204036	36.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-130926	256.2	635123928	JHI-Hv50k-2016-131006	256.6	635315429	3.33
Plant height	PH-MP-Q8	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-166560	94.4	119616143	3.6	BOPA2_12_31015	93.4	105848215	JHI-Hv50k-2016-166737	94.6	122286959	0.28
Plant height	PH-MP-Q9	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205550	205.6	564418824	31.2	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205539	205.6	564416604	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205562	205.9	564609618	3.64
Plant height	PH-MP-Q10	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-223901	281.6	612465708	3.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-223777	281.5	612375068	JHI-Hv50k-2016-224069	283.2	613316424	0.27
Plant height	PH-MP-Q11	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-231027	31.5	15657353	11.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-230951	30.2	15129543	JHI-Hv50k-2016-231059	32.4	16054056	1.72
Plant height	PH-MP-Q12	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-262480	146.7	572549098	4.7	JHI-Hv50k-2016-262456	146.7	572543403	JHI-Hv50k-2016-262558	146.9	572678710	0.32
Plant height	PH-MP-Q13	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-271589	197.7	600782790	13.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-271581	197.7	600782213	JHI-Hv50k-2016-271592	197.7	600783028	1.36
Plant height	PH-MP-Q14	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-306384	98.3	420841523	3.0	JHI-Hv50k-2016-306366	98.3	420833104	JHI-Hv50k-2016-306385	98.3	420841822	0.24
Plant height	PH-MP-Q15	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-330572	210.1	519056336	16.0	JHI-Hv50k-2016-330602	210.1	519050727	JHI-Hv50k-2016-330549	210.2	519110040	1.66
Plant height	PH-MP-Q16	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-347448	271.0	553116131	3.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-347397	270.6	552925862	JHI-Hv50k-2016-347557	271.0	553150806	0.20
Plant height	PH-MP-Q17	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-363863	325.3	581272563	6.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-363837	324.9	581089442	JHI-Hv50k-2016-363883	325.3	581277156	0.71
Plant height	PH-MP-Q18	6H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-394110	90.4	187857305	8.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-394106	90.4	187847223	JHI-Hv50k-2016-394159	90.5	189994776	0.89
Plant height	PH-MP-Q19	6H	SCRI_RS_152414	194.3	555135170	3.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-429401	193.9	554931535	JHI-Hv50k-2016-429588	194.6	555268907	0.46
Plant height	PH-MP-Q20	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-459853	69.6	42283766	15.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-459744	68.9	41824854	BOPA2_12_10218	70.1	42640729	1.58
Plant height	PH-MP-Q21	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-481104	133.8	123257426	12.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-481152	133.8	123251196	JHI-Hv50k-2016-474847	134.9	128949958	1.19

Supplementary Table 5: Summary of the results of the single population analysis for flowering time. The information regarding the peak and the borders of the confidence interval of each QTL are reported. Chr represents the chromosome on which the QTL was detected, LOD the logarithm of odds, and PVE the percentage of variance explained by the QTL individually and in a simultaneous fit. The additive effect is given in days after sowing.

QTL / Population	Chr	Peak		LOD		Start		Stop		Additive effect		Parent	PVE	Locus
		Associated marker	Peak (cM)	Marker position (bp)		Start marker	Start (cM)	Start position (bp)	Stop marker	Stop (cM)	Stop position (bp)			
qHvDRR02-FT-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73780	56.3	26380311	8.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-71929	50.7	22342142	JHI-Hv50k-2016-75278	61.8	31307172			Ppd-H1 eam5
qHvDRR02-FT-5.1	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-336770	205.3	529432664	29.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-336527	202.6	529178521	JHI-Hv50k-2016-337089	214.0	530327920	3.0	HOR1842	11.2
HvDRR02												6.7	IG31424	56.7
														66.1
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qHvDRR42-FT-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-196425	286.4	525404837	7.3	JHI-Hv50k-2016-193988	266.9	511021783	JHI-Hv50k-2016-197035	292.8	528466597	3.3	Ancap2	19.3	sld5

<i>qHvDRR42-FT-4.1</i>	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-253833	155.7	523801355	2.7	BOPA1_3127-273	141.6	483208363	JHI-Hv50k-2016-255019	162.3	531420971	1.9	Ancap2	6.1	<i>ari-q</i>
<i>qHvDRR42-FT-5.1</i>	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-338482	455.7	534377940	5.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-337429	449.5	530982821	JHI-Hv50k-2016-339838	459.0	536729125	3.0	Ancap2	14.6	<i>Vrn-H1</i>
		HvDRR42												67.8	
<i>qHvDRR43-FT-4.1</i>	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-268870	131.1	595132794	12	JHI-Hv50k-2016-268641	129.0	594360356	No more polymorphisms upstream of peak marker			10.9	Kombyne	36.6	
<i>qHvDRR44-FT-5.1</i>	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-334016	258.8	525535984	5.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-331101	248.0	519493734	JHI-Hv50k-2016-339936	273	537016242	3.8	Kombyne	21.7	<i>Vrn-H1</i>
<i>qHvDRR44-FT-7.1</i>	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-459818	74.7	41807357	4.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-458557	72.9	34116480	JHI-Hv50k-2016-460446	80.1	43517682	2.7	Kombyne	16.8	<i>Vrn-H3</i>
		HvDRR44												34.8	
<i>qHvDRR45-FT-5.1</i>	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-337093	200.9	530329021	6.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-327943	175.3	514628747	JHI-Hv50k-2016-343006	220.7	541947536	5.4	Kombyne	30.5	<i>Vrn-H1</i>
<i>qHvDRR46-FT-5.1</i>	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-335345	355.3	527249716	3.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-333353	347.8	523824571	JHI-Hv50k-2016-355430	428.2	567924333	5.6	Kombyne	34.4	<i>Vrn-H1</i>
<i>qHvDRR47-FT-2.1</i>	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73422	40.7	25877853	11.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-72949	38.7	24597354	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73663	41.5	26107957	4.5	Sissy	27.0	<i>Ppd-H1</i>
<i>qHvDRR47-FT-4.1</i>	4H	SCRI_RS_221876	242.2	604259662	10.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-271709	238.0	600927835	JHI-Hv50k-2016-276495	243.4	609268367	4.3	IG31424	23.5	<i>Vrn-H2</i>
<i>qHvDRR47-FT-5.1</i>	5H	SCRI_RS_193529	272.4	525928975	9.2	JHI-Hv50k-2016-333734	268.6	524587621	JHI-Hv50k-2016-337389	281.5	530890859	4.0	IG31424	19.9	<i>Vrn-H1</i>
<i>qHvDRR47-FT-7.1</i>	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-475698	200.0	187984054	0.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-435161	0	2549430	JHI-Hv50k-2016-518458	360.9	627531040	0.9	Sissy	1.0	<i>Vrn-H3</i>
		HvDRR47												62.4	
<i>qHvDRR48-FT-2.1</i>	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-75250	50.6	31093363	4.2	JHI-Hv50k-2016-72159	23.5	23156664	JHI-Hv50k-2016-76569	59.1	34867730	2.0	HOR1842	20.8	<i>Ppd-H1</i>

Supplementary Table 6: Summary of the results of the single population analysis for plant height. The information regarding the peak and the borders of the confidence interval of each QTL are reported. Chr represents the chromosome on which the QTL was detected, LOD the logarithm of odds, and PVE the percentage of variance explained by the QTL individually and in a simultaneous fit. The additive effect is given in cm.

QTL / Population	Chr	Peak		LOD		Start		Stop		Additive effect	Parent	PVE	Locus
		Associated marker	Peak (cM)	Marker position (bp)		Start marker	Start (cM)	Start position (bp)	Stop marker	Stop (cM)	Stop position (bp)		
qHvDRR02-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-132262	242.7	637974692	3.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-127661	233.7	629444744	SCRI_RS_156155	254.8	644348170	2.8	HvAP2
qHvDRR02-PH-5.1	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-338436	216.9	534224386	7.4	SCRI_RS_130992	198.1	525431316	JHI-Hv50k-2016-339229	222.0	536164535	3.9	Vrn-H1
qHvDRR02-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-207933	196.5	576804876	4.7	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205716	183.9	564905926	SCRI_RS_205592	216.2	589574347	3.2	sdw1
qHvDRR02-PH-4.1	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-231100	44.1	16384199	3.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-230639	37.1	13052112	JHI-Hv50k-2016-234652	71.1	35448323	2.6	brh9
HvDRR02												41.6	
HvDRR03	NO QTL												
qHvDRR04-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-116511	209.6	608449388	3.3	JHI-Hv50k-2016-72239	49.8	23346162	JHI-Hv50k-2016-122404	239.1	620783775	1.9	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR07-PH-2.1	2H	SCRI_RS_170337	46.0	27283212	11.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73663	44.3	26107957	JHI-Hv50k-2016-75042	50.1	30307054	2.7	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR07-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205562	158.2	564609618	11.2	SCRI_RS_150944	152.6	560042502	SCRI_RS_169325	187.2	588226210	2.7	sdw1
qHvDRR07-PH-4.1	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-268537	124.1	592785835	3.0	SCRI_RS_141214	93.3	575753195	SCRI_RS_216855	138.4	598006884	1.3	ari-q
qHvDRR07-PH-7.1	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-475138	129.4	137977116	6.3	JHI-Hv50k-2016-469069	121.3	74922565	BOPA2_12_30999	139.5	509069522	1.9	brh7
HvDRR07												66.8	
qHvDRR08-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-72853	57.6	24508569	7.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-71249	51.6	20862461	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73966	64.2	26842811	2.7	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR08-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205257	223.6	563231300	8.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-202880	211.0	554784656	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205550	225.4	564418824	2.6	sdw1
qHvDRR08-PH-4.1	4H	SCRI_RS_176669	135.2	566061970	6.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-256420	120.7	541858127	JHI-Hv50k-2016-262688	146.9	575372062	2.5	ari-q
qHvDRR08-PH-5.1	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-307515	118.1	430059350	4.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-307465	116.2	429632399	JHI-Hv50k-2016-308926	146.4	441596516	1.8	HvDep1
HvDRR08												64.5	
HvDRR09	NO QTL												
qHvDRR10-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205404	123.7	564118077	23.3	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205209	121.5	563172279	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205741	124.8	565023140	7.8	sdw1
qHvDRR10-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-130123	189.2	633688209	4.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-126337	181.7	626889809	JHI-Hv50k-2016-132236	197.9	637973669	2.7	HvAP2
HvDRR10												72.8	
qHvDRR11-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-135139	175.3	643345831	10.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-130469	165.1	634659802	JHI-Hv50k-2016-138544	177.1	649502780	4.2	HvAP2
qHvDRR11-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205774	112.8	567242962	17.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-204079	107.3	558351096	JHI-Hv50k-2016-206527	113.6	569278995	6.1	sdw1
qHvDRR11-PH-2.2	2H	BOPA1_4833-420	136.9	617233959	1.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-62455	5.1	5549885	JHI-Hv50k-2016-135139	175.3	643345831	1.5	HvCEN
qHvDRR11-PH-7.1	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-464308	76.8	55406818	3.8	BOPA2_12_10368	60.0	49964856	JHI-Hv50k-2016-466699	81.2	63672450	2.2	brh7
qHvDRR11-PH-7.2	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-505814	160.3	601772379	3.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-500177	142.7	590201204	JHI-Hv50k-2016-513495	185.0	618285111	2.2	mnd5
HvDRR11												68.5	
HvDRR12	NO QTL												
qHvDRR13-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-164723	66.7	44836033	4.8	SCRI_RS_177084	45.5	20531937	JHI-Hv50k-2016-181744	73.9	418703261	2.0	sdw1
qHvDRR13-PH-6.1	6H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-383599	69.0	36341989	3.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-381798	61.1	31180257	BOPA1_851-804	78.9	413234840	1.7	ert-k
qHvDRR13-PH-7.1	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-458766	53.1	34687802	3.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-452755	34.8	21937819	JHI-Hv50k-2016-461192	59.6	47753959	1.6	Vrn-H3
HvDRR13												54.2	
qHvDRR14-PH-3.1	3H	BOPA1_ABC07496-pHv1343-02	177.0	562581369	3.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-204079	172.1	558351096	JHI-Hv50k-2016-206595	183.3	570352909	2.0	sdw1
qHvDRR15-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-183463	98.0	443119491	3.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-163896	87.9	35406401	JHI-Hv50k-2016-201887	139.0	551776522	1.5	ari-a
qHvDRR16-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-131048	268.9	635724995	7.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-129807	264.6	633397466	JHI-Hv50k-2016-134802	287.0	642978551	4.2	HvAP2
qHvDRR16-PH-2.2	2H	BOPA2_12_30872	47.5	25879588	5.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-72291	41.4	23609188	JHI-Hv50k-2016-74683	68.0	28819655	2.9	Ppd-H1
HvDRR16												48.6	
HvDRR17	NO QTL												
qHvDRR18-PH-7.1	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-454940	37.1	27942550	3.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-452259	27.4	19265644	BOPA2_12_30219	41.2	32279583	2.6	brh1
qHvDRR19-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-98990	103.6	502130218	3.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-78593	72.0	45543263	BOPA2_12_31383	113.9	544622565	1.7	HvCEN
qHvDRR19-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-203690	192.2	557107513	2.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-163568	58.5	33364832	JHI-Hv50k-2016-224720	290.4	616302985	1.5	sdw1
HvDRR19												36.2	
qHvDRR20-PH-7.1	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-455231	29.6	28232124	3.7	JHI-Hv50k-2016-450900	16.5	17063873	JHI-Hv50k-2016-460446	45.9	43517682	2.8	Vrn-H3
qHvDRR21-PH-7.1	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-481738	135.0	323336489	6.9	BOPA1_8582-772	128.5	160630477	BOPA2_12_30213	140.7	445207235	4.8	brh7
qHvDRR21-PH-7.2	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-459234	65.5	39788787	3.1	SCRI_RS_98829	39.1	17593266	JHI-Hv50k-2016-465016	88.1	58991477	3.0	Vrn-H3

HvDRR21														43.9	
qHvDRR22-PH-7.1	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-479763	119.3	280304048	20.8	BOPA2_12_30344	117.3	172307219	JHI-Hv50k-2016-483509	121.2	386505847	5.5	HOR383	40.7	brh7
qHvDRR22-PH-1.1	1H	SCRI_RS_147318	214.1	510414373	2.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-36461	126.9	437726587	JHI-Hv50k-2016-58169	220.7	516001848	1.6	HOR383	2.8	eam8
qHvDRR22-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-93257	85.2	385833711	5.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-83002	66.5	73195772	JHI-Hv50k-2016-100049	93.6	518890224	2.4	HOR383	7.5	HvCEN
qHvDRR22-PH-7.2	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-460104	63.1	43288076	7.6	SCRI_RS_194080	53.0	30808856	JHI-Hv50k-2016-461389	69.0	48714131	2.8	HOR383	10.1	Vrn-H3
qHvDRR22-PH-4.1	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-242645	64.4	406709482	6.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-234536	54.4	34760445	JHI-Hv50k-2016-253745	79.2	523027560	2.5	Namhaebori	8.3	brh9
qHvDRR22-PH-6.1	6H	SCRI_RS_118381	57.5	161943460	4.3	JHI-Hv50k-2016-380005	34.5	25548365	JHI-Hv50k-2016-416777	97.5	521286626	2.1	Namhaebori	5.3	ert-k
HvDRR22														78.5	
qHvDRR23-PH-7.1	7H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-479764	115.9	280303948	7.3	BOPA1_8582-772	106.4	160630477	SCRI_RS_235584	129.3	435303585	4.3	IG128104	32.4	brh7
qHvDRR24-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-154007	20.0	8888089	5.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-153317	12.3	6784714	JHI-Hv50k-2016-156575	32.0	13791261	3.9	IG128104	26.2	
qHvDRR24-PH-1.1	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-34594	105.9	425018349	3.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-15407	56.1	22087681	SCRI_RS_188360	116.3	447057229	3.1	IG128104	16.4	ari-t
HvDRR24														41.2	
qHvDRR25-PH-2.1	2H	BOPA1_2646-1277	48.8	28086868	5.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-67059	15.9	13308057	JHI-Hv50k-2016-75638	55.9	33040970	3.1	W23829/803911	23.1	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR25-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-205406	152.4	564114289	4.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-149285	0	1799813	BOPA2_12_30081	162.7	567161897	2.8	Unumli-Arpa	18.5	sdw1
HvDRR25														43.5	
qHvDRR26-PH-2.1	2H	BOPA2_12_30396	217.9	634394889	5.8	BOPA1_4833-420	196.3	617233959	JHI-Hv50k-2016-134808	222.9	642978976	4.4	Unumli-Arpa	22.0	HvAP2
qHvDRR26-PH-3.1	3H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-186194	87.4	462670492	4.9	SCRI_RS_238649	64.1	42458039	JHI-Hv50k-2016-188213	90.4	479908157	3.8	Sanalta	18.1	HvBR1
qHvDRR26-PH-4.1	4H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-232799	67.4	24125272	5.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-231904	55.8	19763786	JHI-Hv50k-2016-234474	74.5	34288184	4.1	Sanalta	20.1	brh9
qHvDRR26-PH-2.2	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-109198	161.3	582019742	2.5	SCRI_RS_66401	28.1	20871415	JHI-Hv50k-2016-115240	171.8	605942036	2.7	Sanalta	8.0	Ppd-H1
HvDRR26														65.4	
qHvDRR27-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-71249	33.0	20862461	4.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-67059	14.4	13308057	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73487	43.4	25810005	2.5	SprattArcher	19.6	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR28-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73692	45.1	26152710	10.6	JHI-Hv50k-2016-72530	40.1	23831226	BOPA1_8787-1459	50.4	30044023	3.3	HOR8160	36.5	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR28-PH-6.1	6H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-408338	89.3	461666718	3.2	JHI-Hv50k-2016-382587	68.3	33857352	SCRI_RS_207284	97.5	511223129	1.7	Unumli-Arpa	8.8	ert-k
HvDRR28														55.9	
qHvDRR29-PH-2.1	2H	BOPA2_12_30897	146.2	570803230	8.9	SCRI_RS_17898	139.4	561858220	JHI-Hv50k-2016-108681	152.3	574833138	3.6	HOR8160	23.1	ert-j
qHvDRR29-PH-2.2	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73780	43.4	26380311	5.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73052	40.1	25023220	JHI-Hv50k-2016-74407	47.5	28202988	2.8	HOR8160	14.4	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR29-PH-6.1	6H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-395685	73.8	289251842	3.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-378164	38.2	19699707	BOPA2_12_10803	95.9	396967363	2.2	IG128216	8.8	ert-k
HvDRR29														48.3	
qHvDRR30-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-67694	20.0	14065564	4.3	JHI-Hv50k-2016-59032	0	566575	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73871	49.0	26542729	2.5	Georgie	12.9	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR30-PH-4.1	4H	SCRI_RS_98443	49.0	13871241	4.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-230452	40.9	11788248	JHI-Hv50k-2016-231162	52.5	16680700	2.6	Georgie	14.8	QHT4H.26
HvDRR30														25.8	
qHvDRR31-PH-1.1	1H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-58045	269.8	516079896	5.6	SCRI_RS_156009	264.8	510473721	JHI-Hv50k-2016-58045	269.8	516079896	2.6	IG128216	17.0	eam8
qHvDRR31-PH-5.1	5H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-335543	201.8	527185413	3.4	JHI-Hv50k-2016-324907	181.8	508775487	JHI-Hv50k-2016-336814	204.1	529367527	2.0	IG128216	9.9	Vrn-H1
HvDRR31														23.6	
HvDRR32	NO QTL														
qHvDRR33-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-75950	93.9	33607845	6.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73285	60.7	25434173	BOPA2_12_10847	100.6	37534650	3.1	Georgie	32.7	Ppd-H1
qHvDRR34-PH-2.1	2H	SCRI_RS_55841	250.2	629407561	4.0	JHI-Hv50k-2016-125068	223.5	624622312	JHI-Hv50k-2016-132611	301.9	638549040	5.3	Lakhan	42.1	HvAP2
HvDRR35	NO QTL														
HvDRR36	NO QTL														
qHvDRR37-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-131048	285.7	635724995	5.8	JHI-Hv50k-2016-123934	276.0	622368414	JHI-Hv50k-2016-132428	319.2	638148957	4.1	CM67	29.6	HvAP2
qHvDRR37-PH-6.1	6H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-401443	111.5	377513797	3.9	JHI-Hv50k-2016-383530	84.7	36126314	JHI-Hv50k-2016-407417	131.5	449902392	3.1	K10877	18.4	ert-k
HvDRR37														44.5	
qHvDRR38-PH-2.1	2H	SCRI_RS_147230	363.3	633228850	10.0	JHI-Hv50k-2016-126337	354.7	626889809	JHI-Hv50k-2016-131048	372.7	635724995	6.5	CM67	45.4	HvAP2
qHvDRR39-PH-2.1	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-130184	238.8	633708485	14.1	JHI-Hv50k-2016-128757	237.5	631502800	JHI-Hv50k-2016-131622	243.6	637093530	5.2	ItuNative	41.0	HvAP2
qHvDRR39-PH-2.2	2H	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73618	41.6	25941826	4.5	JHI-Hv50k-2016-71733	35.3	21290528	JHI-Hv50k-2016-73812	53.4	26541621	2.7	ItuNative	10.5	Ppd-H1
HvDRR39														52.3	
HvDRR40	NO QTL														
qHvDRR41-PH-1.1	1H	BOPA2_12_30191	147.4	485117907	3.4	SCRI_RS_188360	112.3	447057229	SCRI_RS_192730	155.1	488343190	2.0	K10693	4.4	ert-b

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Supplementary Table 7: Prediction ability of the genomic SNP marker data for flowering time and plant height without cross-validation (CV) and with five fold cross-validation across all sub-populations. SD indicates the standard deviation.

	Prediction ability across sub-populations		SD	
	Without CV	5 Fold CV 20 runs	5 Fold CV 20 runs	
Flowering time	0.89	0.766	0.015	
Plant height	0.874	0.773	0.014	

Supplementary Table 8: Genome-wide epistatic loci detected in the HvDRR population. LOD indicates the logarithm of odds of the interaction.

Trait	Population	Chromosome locus 1	Position locus 1 (cM)	Chromosome locus 2	Position locus 2 (cM)	LOD	p-value
Flowering time	HvDRR13	5H	107.5	6H	87.5	6.74345	0.006
Plant height	HvDRR02	5H	205.0	7H	72.5	11.5203	0
Plant height	HvDRR09	1H	172.5	7H	97.5	4.273374	0.042
Plant height	HvDRR17	1H	2.5	1H	7.5	4.125857	0.046
Plant height	HvDRR34	4H	165.0	5H	180.0	4.260018	0.034
Plant height	HvDRR34	4H	160.0	7H	215.0	4.484935	0.022
Plant height	HvDRR41	1H	122.5	5H	225.0	3.985981	0.042
Plant height	HvDRR44	2H	75.0	5H	262.5	11.46462	0.002
Plant height	HvDRR44	5H	262.5	7H	195.0	11.14014	0.002
Plant height	HvDRR45	1H	85.0	5H	197.5	5.781251	0.032

Supplementary Table 9: Lists of primers used to amplify *Ppd-H1* and *Vrn-H2*. The *Ppd-H1* primers are listed for each parental inbred. N-ter primers were used to amplify the start while the C-ter primers the end of the coding sequences. The primers pairs marked with * amplified the whole gene. Primers used to amplify *Vrn-H2* have the same nomenclature as described in Karsai *et al.* (2005).

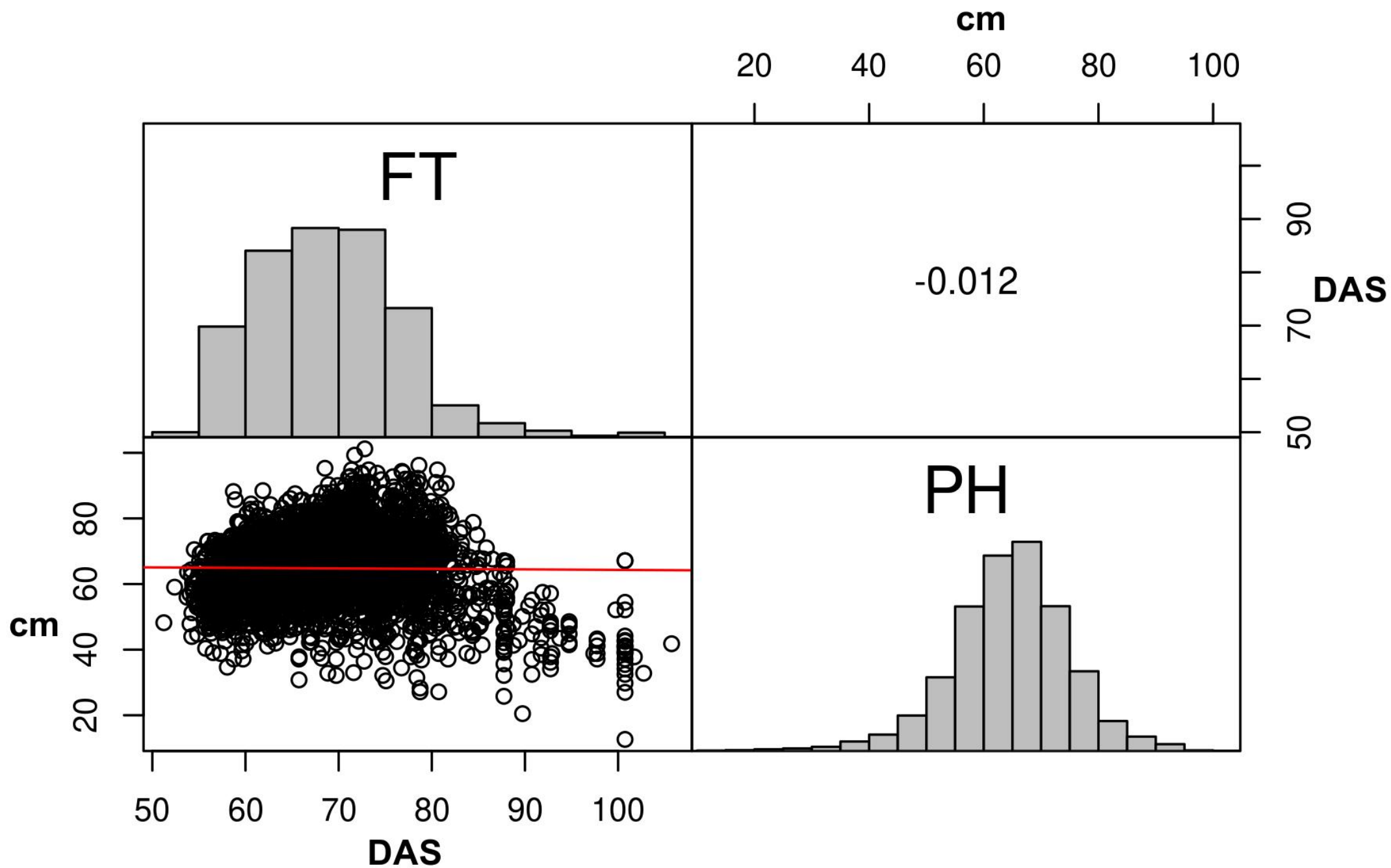
Parental inbred	N-ter		Middle 1st		Middle 2nd		C-ter	
	Forward primer	Reverse primer	Forward primer	Reverse prime	Forward primer	Reverse primer	Forward primer	Reverse primer
Ancap2	ATCGAATCACCCGTTTCAATC	GACACCATCAGAGATAGTAAC	CAAATGTTCACTCTGCTCCACC	CGCACACATATTGTACCTTGC	AGATGCTCCTAACTGCTCCT	ACCCATTTCTTTGCTGCTG	ATCGAATCACCCGTTTCAATC*	TCCACACGCTCGTACTATGT*
CM67	ATCGAATCACCCGTTTCAATC	GACACCATCAGAGATAGTAAC	CAAATGTTCACTCTGCTCCACC	CGCACACATATTGTACCTTGC	AGATGCTCCTAACTGCTCCT	ACCCATTTCTTTGCTGCTG	TGGTGACCAAGCCCTGTG	AGCACAATACTCACTCATACTGC
Georgie	ATCGAATCACCCGTTTCAATC	GACACCATCAGAGATAGTAAC	CAAATGTTCACTCTGCTCCACC	CGCACACATATTGTACCTTGC	AGATGCTCCTAACTGCTCCT	ACCCATTTCTTTGCTGCTG	CTGAACCAAAAGCTGCCTGT	GCCGGCATGTTCTATGGTAG
HOR12830	ATCGAATCACCCGTTTCAATC	GACACCATCAGAGATAGTAAC	CAAATGTTCACTCTGTTCCAGC	CGCACACATATTGTACCTTGC	AGATGCTCCTAACTGCTCCT	ACCCATTTCTTTGCTGCTG	TGGTGACCAAGCCCTGTG	AGCACAATACTCACTCATACTGC
HOR1842	ATCGAATCACCCGTTTCAATC	GACACCATCAGAGATAGTAAC	CAAATGTTCACTCTGCTCCACC	CGCACACATATTGTACCTTGC	AGATGCTCCTAACTGCTCCT	ACCCATTTCTTTGCTGCTG	TCCGTATGTTGCATACTAACC	CTCCCAATGATCCATGGCC
HOR383	ATCGAATCACCCGTTTCAATC	GACACCATCAGAGATAGTAAC	CAAATGTTCACTCTGCTCCACC	CGCACACATATTGTACCTTGC	AGATGCTCCTAACTGCTCCT	ACCCATTTCTTTGCTGCTG	TCCGTATGTTGCATACTAACC	CTCCCAATGATCCATGGCC
HOR7985	ATCGAATCACCCGTTTCAATC	GACACCATCAGAGATAGTAAC	CAAATGTTCACTCTGCTCCACC	CGCACACATATTGTACCTTGC	AGATGCTCCTAACTGCTCCT	ACCCATTTCTTTGCTGCTG	TGGTGACCAAGCCCTGTG	AGCACAATACTCACTCATACTGC
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Primer name	Primer sequence
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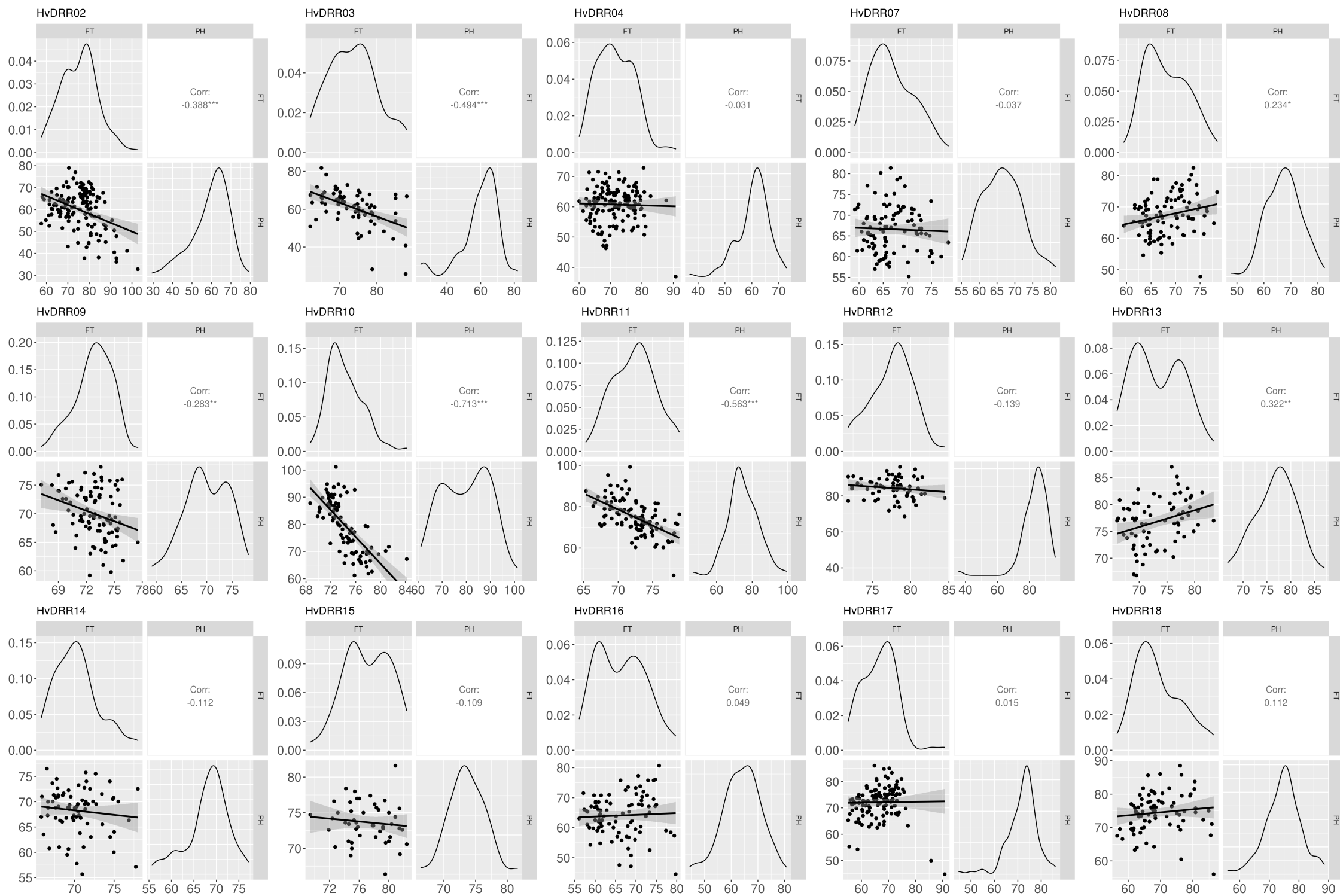
Supplementary Table 10: List of candidate genes in the confidence interval of selected QTL that carried a polymorphism among the parental lines. IN/DEL indicates an insertion or a deletion, SV indicates predicted structural variants.

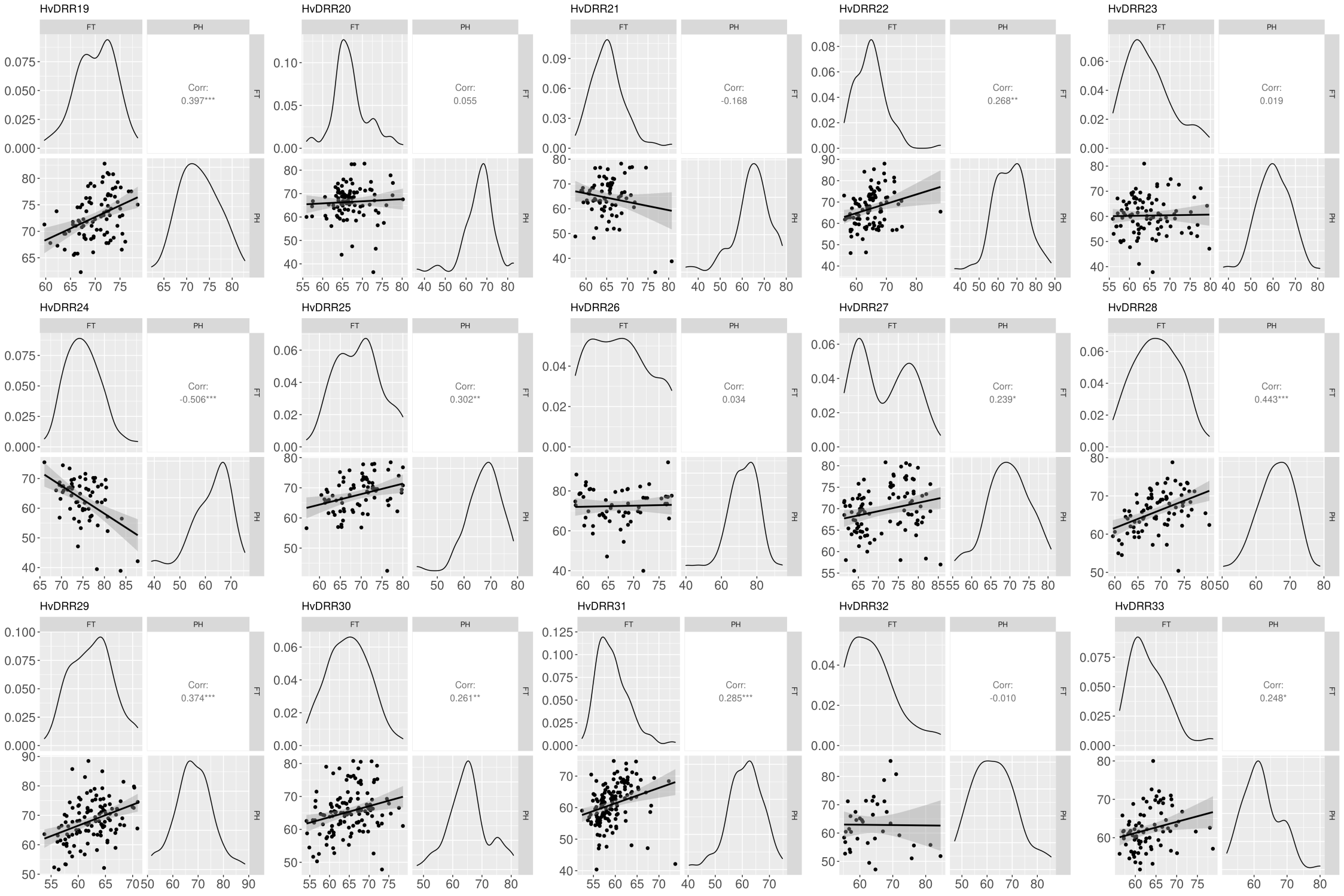
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Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR28-FT-2.2</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0170150	pseudo-response regulator 3	SNP	489043031	489043723
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR28-FT-2.2</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0170460	Ethylene responsive transcription factor	SV	491338258	491338785
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR28-FT-2.2</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0172990	Receptor kinase-like protein	IN/DEL	508602510	508608623
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR28-FT-2.2</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0173600	Receptor-like kinase	SNP	513985255	513987841
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR28-FT-2.2</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0173720	F-box protein	SNP	514884459	514886953
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR41-FT-2.2</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0172990	Receptor kinase-like protein	SNP	508602510	508608623
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR41-FT-2.2</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0173600	Receptor-like kinase	IN/DEL	513985255	513987841
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR41-FT-2.2</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.2HG0173720	F-box protein	SNP	514884459	514886953
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR42-FT-3.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.3HG0294500	F-box family protein	IN/DEL	514548165	514552750
Flowering time	<i>qHvDRR42-FT-3.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.3HG0295240	Transcription factor	SNP	518705563	518707116
Plant height	<i>qHvDRR18-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0647440	Cytochrome P450 family protein, expressed	IN/DEL	24114355	24116823
Plant height	<i>qHvDRR18-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0650260	WRKY family transcription factor	IN/DEL	30228811	30233849
Plant height	<i>qHvDRR21-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0679760	Basic helix-loop-helix transcription factor	IN/DEL	174290744	174293655
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Plant height	<i>qHvDRR21-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0681550	Auxin response factor	IN/DEL	186801101	186809084
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Plant height	<i>qHvDRR21-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0695760	Cytochrome P450 family protein	SNP	335129415	335134705
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Plant height	<i>qHvDRR22-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0679760	Basic helix-loop-helix transcription factor	SV	174290744	174293655
Plant height	<i>qHvDRR22-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0681550	Auxin response factor	IN/DEL	186801101	186809084
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Plant height	<i>qHvDRR22-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0685360	Receptor protein kinase, putative	IN/DEL	215316327	215319934
Plant height	<i>qHvDRR22-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0685720	basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein	SNP	217520399	217520773
Plant height	<i>qHvDRR22-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0685870	Ankyrin repeat domain containing protein	SNP	217930102	217934698
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Plant height	<i>qHvDRR22-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0692330	Basic helix-loop-helix transcription factor	SNP	287414769	287415368
Plant height	<i>qHvDRR22-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0693000	Receptor-like protein kinase 1	IN/DEL	298396043	298396558
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Plant height	<i>qHvDRR23-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0679760	Basic helix-loop-helix transcription factor	IN/DEL	174290744	174293655
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Plant height	<i>qHvDRR23-PH-7.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.7HG0701240	Receptor-like kinase	SNP	395316354	395317058
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Plant height	<i>qHvDRR48-PH-4.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.4HG0333850	basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein	IN/DEL	6499457	6502480
Plant height	<i>qHvDRR48-PH-4.1</i>	HORVU.MOREX.r3.4HG0334320	F-box family protein	IN/DEL	8320765	8323470

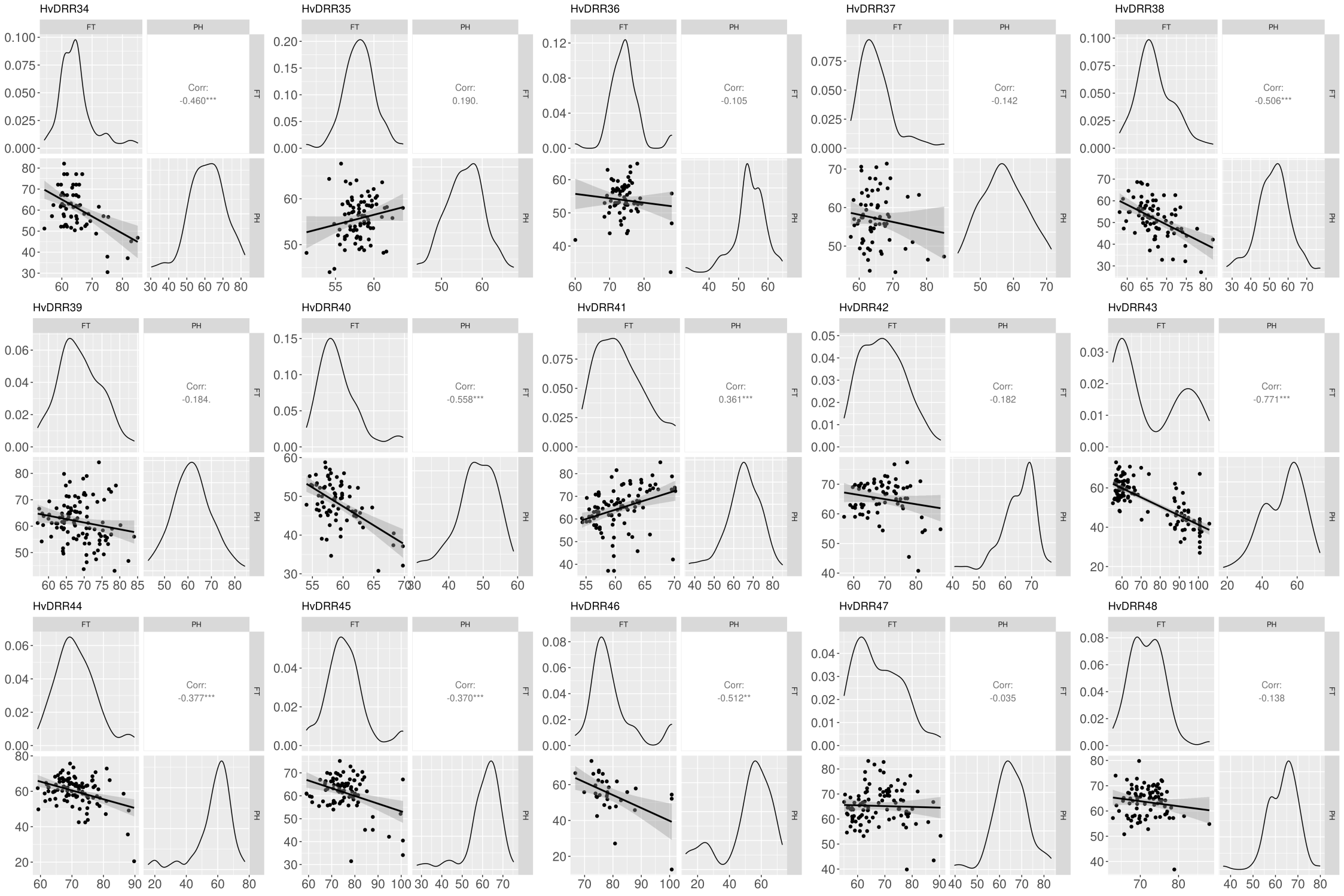
Supplementary Figure 1: Histogram and correlation plot between flowering time (FT) and plant height (PH) across all 45 HvDRR sub-populations. Flowering time is reported in days after sowing (DAS) and plant height in cm.



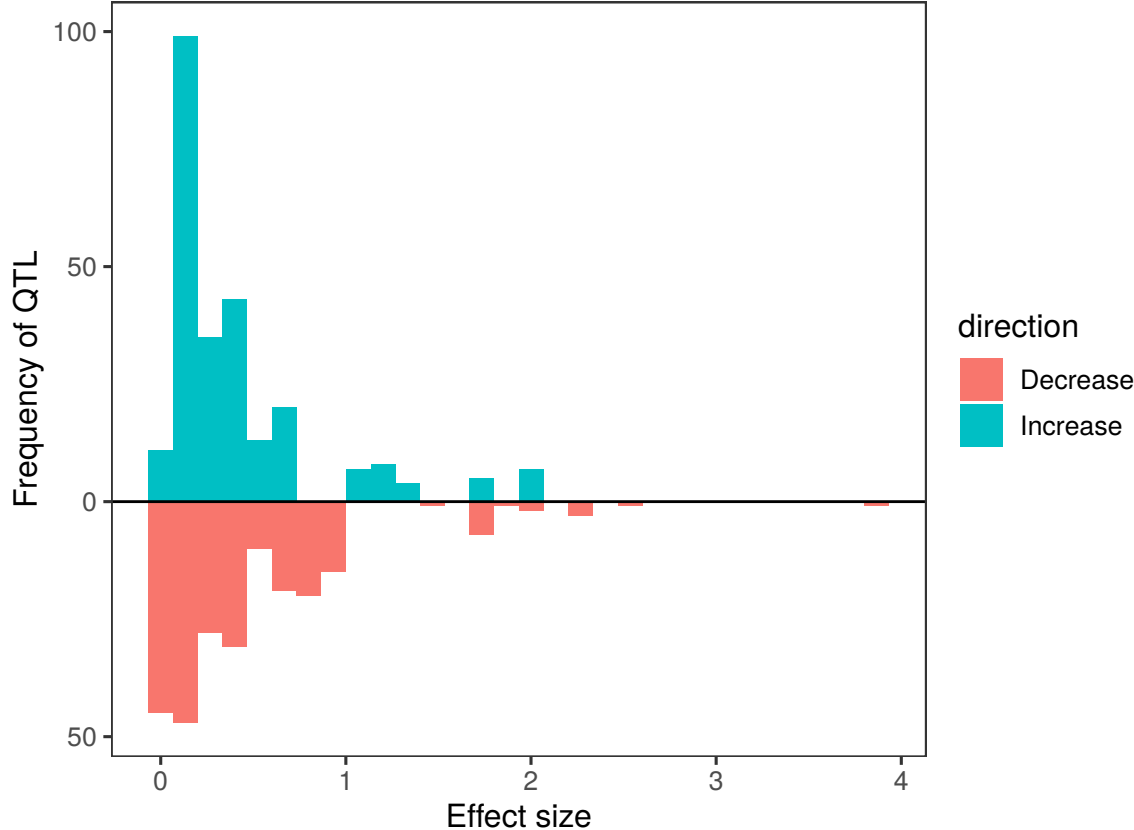
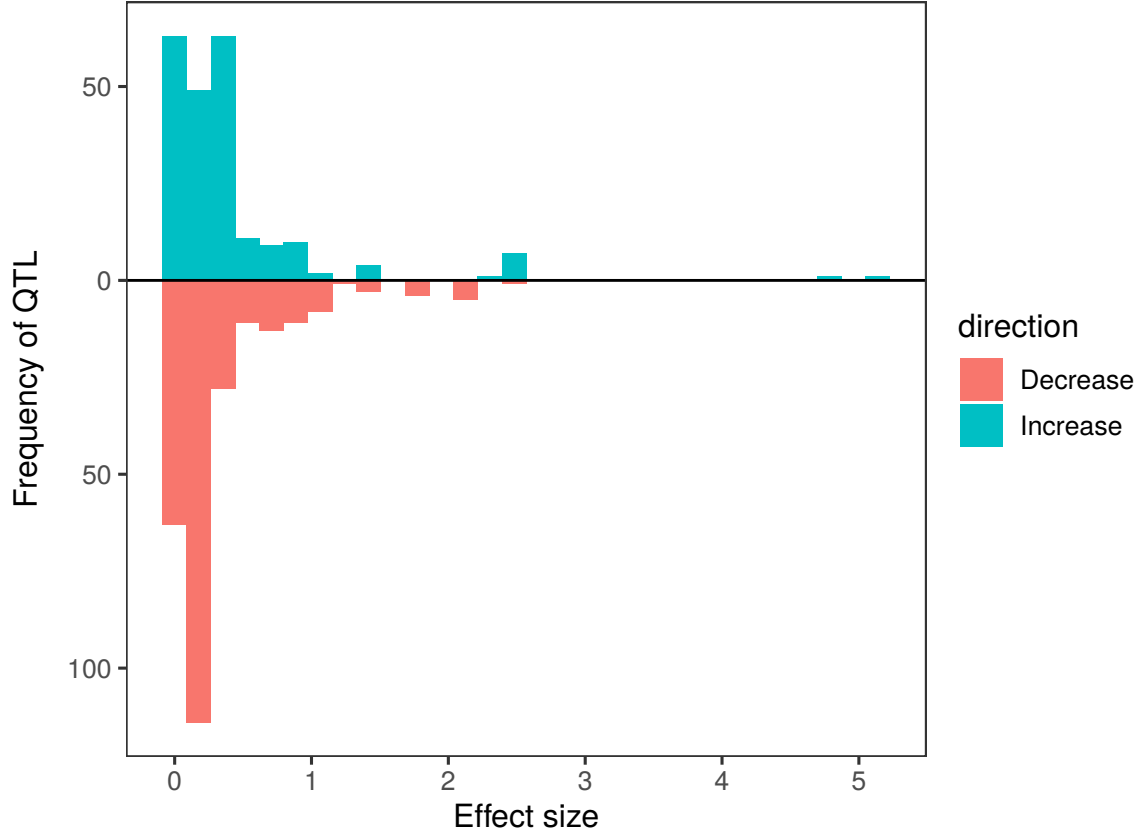
Supplementary Figure 2: Histograms and correlation plots between flowering time (FT, in days after sowing) and plant height (PH, in cm), for each of the 45 HvDRR sub-populations.







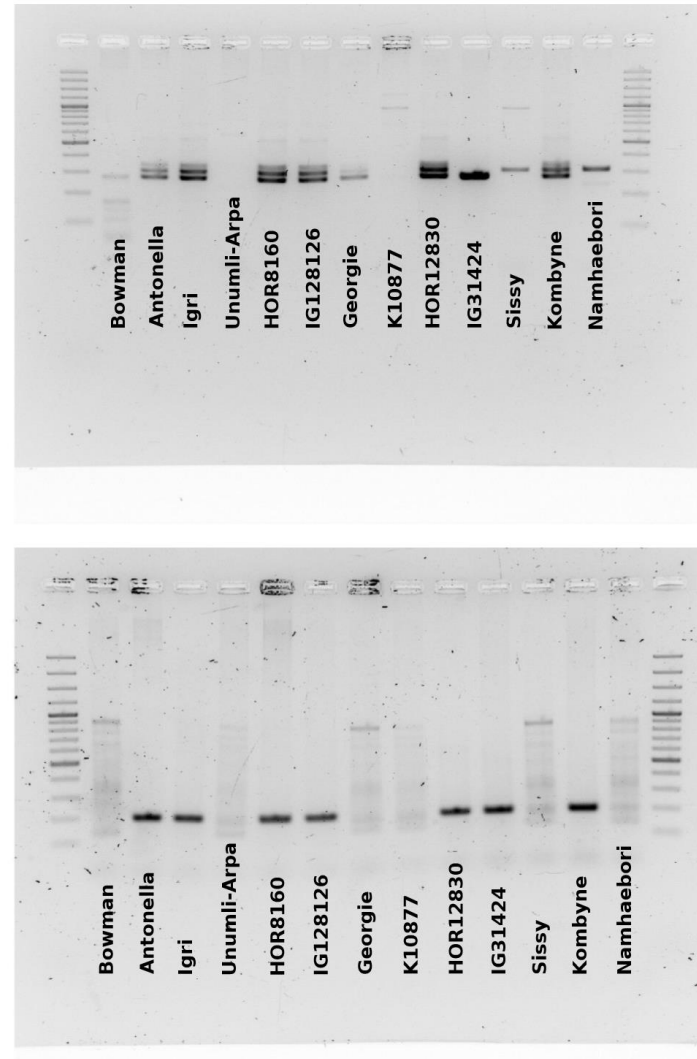
Supplementary Figure 3: Effect size of the QTL detected through multi-parent population analysis for flowering time (top, in days after sowing) and plant height (bottom, in cm), for each of the parental lines.



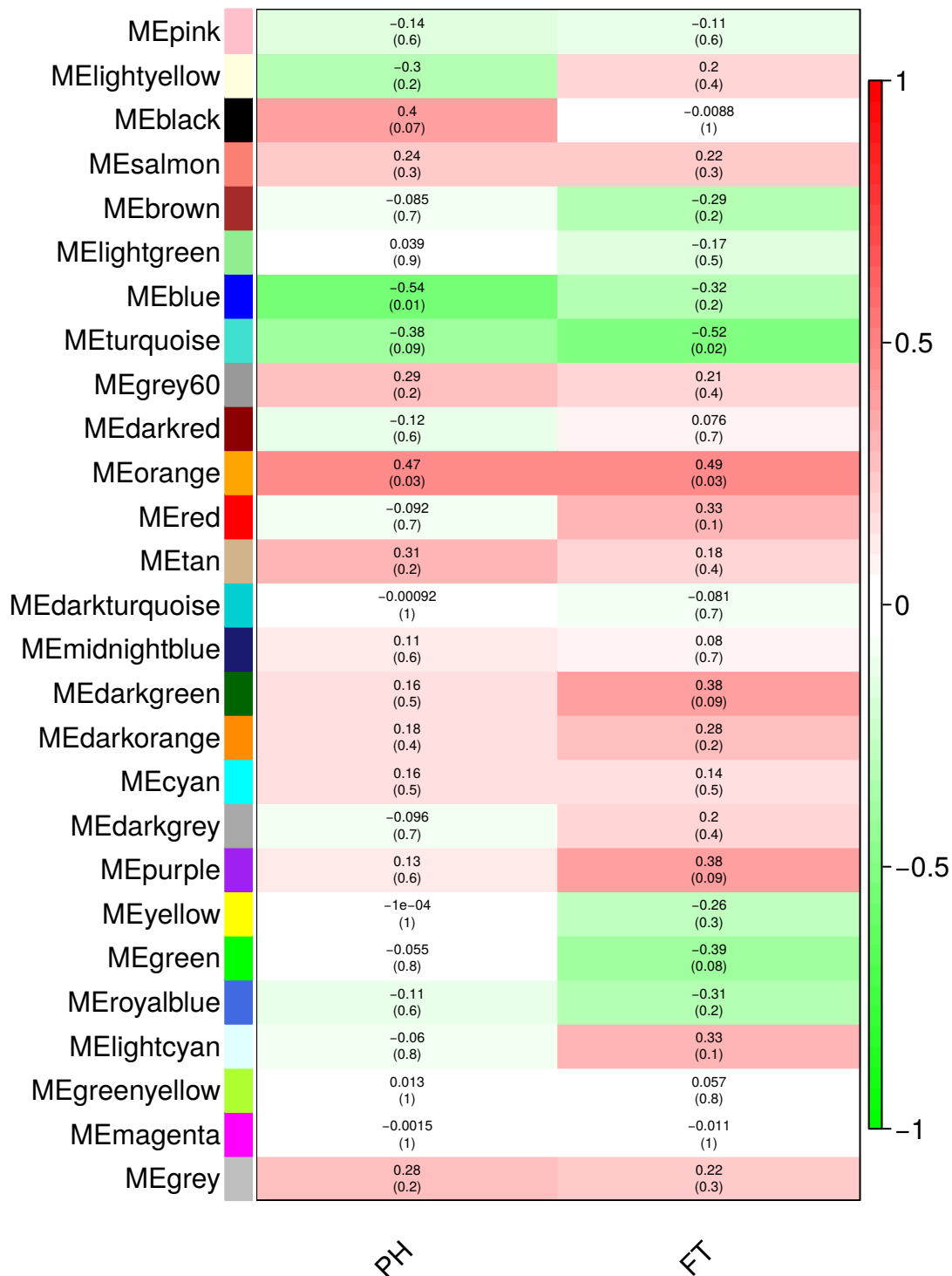
Supplementary Figure 4: Amino acid sequence of the terminal region of *Ppd-H1* of Morex, Igri, Optic, Golden Promise, Triumph, and the 23 parental inbreds of the HvDRR population. The amino acid synthesized by the triplet containing SNP 22 is highlighted in yellow, the one synthesized by the triplet containing SNP 1945 is highlighted in blue.

Morex	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	W	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	T	V	E	R	*
Igri	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	G	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	T	V	E	R	*
Optic	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	W	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	T	V	E	R	*
Golden Promise	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	W	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	T	V	E	R	*
Triumph	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	W	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	T	V	E	R	*
Ancap2	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	G	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	A	V	E	R	*
CM67	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	G	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	A	V	E	R	*
Georgie	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	W	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	T	V	E	R	*
Hor383	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	G	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	A	V	E	R	*
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IG31424	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	G	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	A	V	E	R	*
IG128104	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	T	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	G	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	A	V	E	R	*
IG128216	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	G	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	A	V	E	R	*
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SprattArcher	N	M	K	R	E	R	R	V	A	A	V	N	K	F	R	E	K	R	K	E	R	N	F	G	K	K	V	R	Y	Q	S	R	K	R	L	A	E	Q	R	P	R	V	R	W	Q	F	V	R	Q	P	P	A	P	A	T	V	E	R	*
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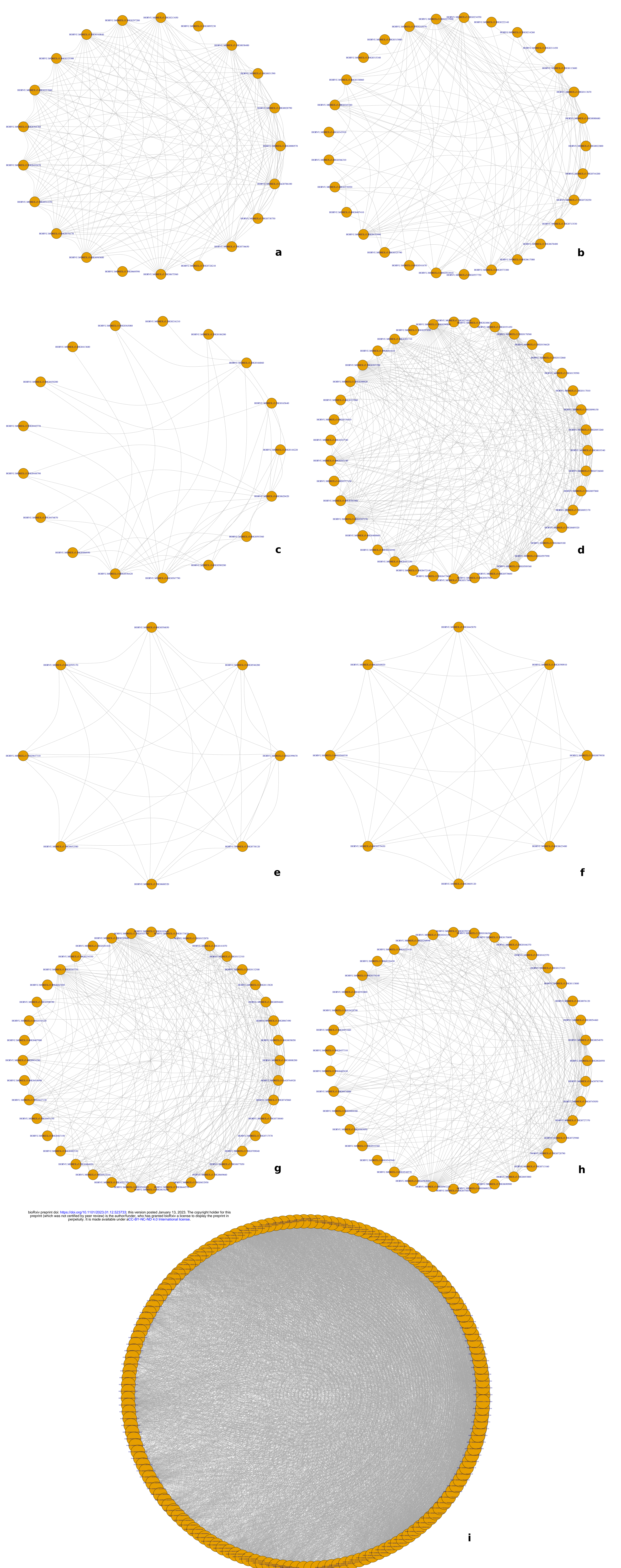
Supplementary Figure 5: Gel pictures of PCRs performed to detect the presence/absence of *ZCCT-Ha:b* (top) and *ZCCT-Hc* (bottom) as described in Karsai *et al.* (2005). The analyzed genotypes are Bowman (control spring variety), Antonella (control winter variety), Igri (control winter variety), and the parental inbreds of the sub-populations for which a QTL co-localizing with *Vrn-H2* was detected.



Supplementary Figure 6: Heat map of the module-trait relationships for plant height (PH) and flowering time (FT). On the y axis, the 27 detected modules are reported. For each module-trait correlation p-values are given in bracket



Supplementary Figure 7: Network predictions for modules “orange” (a), “black” (b), “darkgreen” (c), “purple” (d), “tan” (e), “lightyellow” (f), “green” (g), “blue” (h), and “turquoise” (i). Gene names with a gene-module membership p-value < 0.01 are indicated in the orange circles. Gene-gene interactions are represented by grey lines.



Supplementary Figure 8: Negative decadic logarithm of the p-value for association tests of sequence variants in QTL without previously reported genes for the control of the trait within their interval, explaining $\geq 15\%$ variance, and with interval ≤ 30 cm for flowering time (left) and plant height (right). The QTL confidence intervals from single population analyses are indicated by colored bars.

