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Introduction

Tomato *Solanum lycopersicum* L. is a representative plant species of the Solanaceae family which includes a number of important vegetable and technical crops. Tomato is one of the most popular vegetable crops all over the world, alongside other species of the family such as potato *Solanum tuberosum* L., eggplant *Solanum melongena* L., peppers *Capsicum annuum* L., and *Capsicum chinense* Jacq.

Tomatoes comprise an important part of overall vegetable production in Kazakhstan, with 788,760 tons harvested from 30.2 thousand hectares in 2022. Tomato production has been developed in the country extensively rather than intensively; the growing area has doubled but the yield per hectare volume has stagnated in the last 30 years (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 2021). Among the tomato varieties approved for cultivation in the country, the foreign cultivars prevail with a significant share of varieties from Russia and other ex-USSR countries (The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 2009). Such a dependence on imported planting material poses various risks for food security, the most concerning of which is the possible importation of dangerous pests (Chalam et al., 2021), weeds (Wilson et al., 2016) , and pathogens (Elmer, 2001; Rodoni, 2009). Thus, it is important for the domestic market of agricultural crops to adopt a wider use of old and newly obtained varieties which are bred locally, and it should be associated with comprehensive plant epidemiological controls. To confront potentially deleterious plant pathogens, it is not only necessary to detect and eradicate infected plants in a timely manner, but also to increase the resistance potential of cultivated crops against disease by breeding and selecting varieties with genetic factors of resistance. Modern practices require the extensive utilization of molecular methods to solve both these problems. The development of DNA-based methods has enabled the detection of pathogens with a high sensitivity and reliability (McCartney et al., 2003; López et al., 2009); moreover,

modern systems have been moving towards prioritizing portability and time efficiency, helping to perform analyses directly in the field (Donoso & Valenzuela, 2018). Molecular markers associated with disease resistance in plants play a crucial role in modern breeding programs since their use in marker assistant selection (MAS) helps to significantly reduce the time and labor required for developing new resistant varieties (Collard & Mackill, 2008; Miedaner, 2016). However, in Kazakhstan, the implementation of such advanced breeding practices for tomato is limited by relatively low economic and scientific interests. Indeed, to date, no systematic efforts have been made to lay the molecular genetic basis for selection programs for tomato crops. In contrast, the molecular genetics of wheat, the crop playing a prominent role in both the country's domestic food market and international trade, have received significant research attention for years (Kokhmetova et al., 2017; Anuarbek, Abugalieva & Turuspekov, 2018; Genievskaia et al., 2022).

The objective of this work was to investigate genetic structure of the collection of tomato varieties deposited in the Fruit and Vegetable Research Institute (Almaty, Kazakhstan). The collection included established local cultivars along with varieties from abroad, predominantly from Russia and other ex-USSR countries. Most of them have not been included into the state register of crop varieties recommended for use (The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 2009) and thus require extensive investigations of their genetic compositions, immunity, physiological features under local growth conditions, etc. Along with previously published data on the genetic markers of resistance against three common viruses (Pozharskiy et al., 2022), this work presents the results of the first molecular genetic study of tomato varieties in Kazakhstan. A set of simple sequence repeats (SSR), sequence characterized amplified region (SCAR), and cleavage amplified polymorphic sequences (CAPS) markers was used to evaluate

the relations between selected cultivars and identify varieties bearing known loci of resistance to common tomato pathogens: oomycete *Phytophthora infestans*, fungus *Fusarium oxysporum*, Tomato mosaic virus (ToMV), Tomato spotted wilt virus (TSWV), and Tomato yellow curly leaf virus (TYLCV). The obtained results will lay a basis for an initial inventory of tomato plant materials to be used both in agriculture and in breeding programs in Kazakhstan.

Materials and methods

A selection of tomato varieties was obtained from the collection of the Fruit and Vegetable Research Institute (FVRI; Almaty, Kazakhstan) (Table 1). Seed materials were grown and DNA was isolated as previously described in (Pozharskiy et al., 2022).

SSR genotyping was conducted using known markers (Table 2) (Smulders et al., 1997; Areshchenkova & Ganal, 2002). Forward primers labeled with either FAM or HEX fluorescent dye were used for all markers. The PCR conditions were set in accordance with the corresponding published protocols. The PCR products were first checked for yield and specificity by agarose gel electrophoresis, then 20-fold diluted and combined into groups for multiplex fragment reading. Three groups were considered based on the expected fragment size ranges and used primer labels, to avoid overlaps between markers and ensure their independent detection. The diluted PCR mixes were added to high-purity formamide (1 µl PCR mix, 0.15 µl LIZ(-500) Size Standard (Applied Biosystems, Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA), 8.85 µl formamide), denatured at 95°C for 4 min, cooled on ice for 5 min, and loaded into a 3500 Genetic Analyzer (Applied Biosystems, Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA). Genotypes were determined using GeneMapper software and analyzed using a Bayesian approach implemented in MrBayes (Ronquist et al., 2012) and STRUCTURE (Pritchard, Stephens & Donnelly, 2000)

software. R language (R Core Team, 2019) and adegenet (Jombart & Ahmed, 2011), ape (Paradis, Claude & Strimmer, 2004), and ggtree (Yu et al., 2017) packages were used for general data handling and visualization. The genotyping data was encoded using an additive pseudo-haploid scheme where each observed allele was represented as a single digit value: 0 for absence, 1 for heterozygous state, 2 for homozygous state.

MrBayes was run for 50,000,000 generations with the Dirichlet distribution model for standard data; each 2000th generation was sampled and used for diagnostics by the average standard deviation of tree probabilities in two parallel runs. The parameters of the run were monitored using built-in MrBayes statistics and Tracer (Rambaut et al., 2018). The summary tree was generated using a burn-in threshold of 50%.

STRUCTURE was run for expected numbers of clusters K from 1 to 10 using the standard admixture model with 50,000 burn-in and 100,000 MCMC iterations. To find the optimal K , ten replicates were calculated for each value, and CLUMPAK web-server (Kopelman et al., 2015) was used to estimate ΔK following Evanno's method (Evanno, Regnaut & Goudet, 2005).

PCR was performed for previously known markers of resistance against pathogens in accordance with published protocols (Table 3). All PCR products were checked using agarose gel electrophoresis. Markers requiring restriction (CAPS) were digested by corresponding enzymes in a 20 μ l mix containing 5 μ l of the PCR mix, 0.5 μ l of enzymes, and 2 μ l of the appropriate restriction buffer, according to the manufacturer's recommendations. Restriction was performed overnight with the regular enzyme or for an hour with the enzymes of the FastDigest™ product series (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA). The results of the restriction were evaluated by agarose gel electrophoresis. All results of the genotyping by resistance markers

were interpreted in accordance with the results reported in the source publications. For 31 specimens, previously published data on ToMV, TSWV, and TYCLV were used for comparison (Pozharskiy et al., 2022), as indicated in Table 1.

For all individual PCR reactions, both for SSR and resistance markers, the samples failing to produce a result were re-processed at least twice. If no results were obtained in any replicate, the genotype was reported missing.

Results

A total of 68 tomato varieties were used in the study, including 13 cultivars of domestic origin. Most of these varieties represent a pool of tomato genotypes used in ongoing breeding programs. The local cultivars ‘Meruert’, ‘Vostorg’, ‘Luchezarnyi’, and ‘Samaladay’, as well as Russian cultivars ‘Novichok’ and ‘Rassvet 362’, have also been approved for commercial use in Kazakhstan (The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 2009).

According to the results of the SSR genotyping, four markers – LEPRP4, LESODB, LECHSOD, and LEMDDNb – were revealed to be monomorphic across all tomato varieties (Table 4). LEPRP4 also had the highest missing genotype rate among all markers (11.76%). Markers LELE25, LELEUZIP, and LECHSOD were amplified in all studied samples. None of the other markers exceeded a missing rate of 7.35%, corresponding to five missing samples of 68. Among the polymorphic markers, LEATRACAb, LPHSF24, and TMS58 had levels of observed heterozygosity not significantly differing from the expected values. The LEMDDNA marker had a slightly higher observed heterozygosity (p -value 0.0003; significance level 0.001); the other five markers had significantly lower observed values compared to expected values (p -values near zero). Considering the nature of the studied samples, which comprised a

heterogeneous set of specimens of different varieties rather than a single population, we did not expect the samples to follow Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium, and thus deviations between the expected and observed levels of heterozygosity were not surprising. Although the volume and heterogeneity of the samples limited any possible genetic inferences of the population, it could be speculated that the LEATRACAb, LPHSF24, and TMS58 markers were neutral with respect to the selection of tomato varieties.

The genetic heterogeneity of the studied samples was revealed by a Bayesian cluster analysis (Fig. 1, a, b). The results obtained using two algorithms implemented in MrBayes and STRUCTURE software were compared to acquire a more detailed picture of the genetic structure of the samples. According to the MrBayes results, most of the studied tomato varieties formed a large subtree with weak sub-structure. The results obtained with STRUCTURE produced a data partition into five clusters, in accordance with the best Evanno's ΔK value (Fig. 1, d). The first cluster (shown pale green) was the most distinct group representing a compact sub-group at the tree; the highest probabilities were assigned to the 'Lipen' (Ukraine), 'Yablochnyi [Apple-like]' (Uzbekistan), 'Choportula' (Georgia), and 'Shalun [Varmint]' (Russia) cultivars, which had identical genotypes. The local variant of the 'Yablochnyi [Apple-like]' cultivar was the only variety from Kazakhstan included in this cluster; however, it was located apart from the rest in the tree and differed from its Uzbekistani relatives in two markers, LE21085 and TMS58. Another distinct cluster (shown in yellow) included two small subclusters in the tree; the typical members of this group were the 'Ayan' (Kazakhstan), 'Ruzha' (Belarus), 'Nicola' (Russia), and 'Pyatnica [Friday]' (local breeding line based on Russian cultivar) cultivars. The other three clusters (shown in red, blue, and purple) appeared as a mixed set of subgroups and intermediate genotypes within the main subtree.

Fifteen tomato varieties are the results of breeding efforts established in Kazakhstan. All local varieties yielded a high genetic similarity according to SSR markers used (Fig. 1, e; Additional file 1). Across all 11 polymorphic markers, only three markers demonstrated genotype variations within the local cultivars: LEMDDNA with a set of detected alleles 211, 213, 227, 233; LELEUZIP with alleles 102, 105, 106; and TMS58 with alleles 226, 228, 230. The LELE25, LEATRACAb, and TM63 markers had only two differing genotypes across 15 local varieties, and marker LE20592 had the only differing genotype in the ‘Sladkoyezhka’ cultivar. This cultivar was the most distinct one across all local varieties. The ‘Yantar [Amber]’, ‘Leader’, ‘Luchezarnyi [Shiny]’, ‘Meruert’, ‘Vostorg [Delight]’, and ‘Mechta [Dream]’ varieties formed a group of similar genotypes (purple color in Fig. 1, b), along with Russian cultivars ‘Novichok [Newcomer]’, ‘Korolek [Kinglet]’, ‘Rassvet 365 [Sunrise 365]’, and ‘33 bogatyrya [33 heroes]’. The breeding line of the ‘Samaladay’ cultivar (specimen T634) also belonged to this group, however, the finally established line for commercial use (specimen T625) differed in the LELEUZIP (genotype 102/102) and LEATRACAb (184/186) markers. The LEPRP4 and TMS58 markers were characterized by a notably high occurrence of missing genotypes in this group. All these local varieties were obtained by the breeding programs of the former Research Institute of Potato and Vegetable Breeding (now part of the Fruit and Vegetable Research Institute, Almaty, Kazakhstan) (Kurganskaya & Dzhanasova). Other local varieties were more diverse, with relation to various foreign cultivars.

The analysis of SCAR and CAPS markers associated with a resistance against infections revealed the prevailing presence of resistance loci to fungus *Fusarium oxysporum* and oomycete *Phytophthora infestans*, compared to viruses (Table 5, Fig. 1, c; Additional file 2). The most commonly occurring marker was At2, associated with the resistance locus *I* against *F.*

oxysporum: half of all 64 successfully genotyped samples were positive for resistance. Another resistance marker against *F. oxysporum*, Z1063, associated with *I2* resistance genes, was observed in six specimens, including the local ‘Meruert’ cultivar. Both these markers are dominant SCAR markers linked with the corresponding resistance loci introduced to tomatoes from *Solanum pimpinellifolium* (Arens et al., 2010). Two codominant markers, Ph3-gsm and TG328, have been linked with *Ph-3* locus conferring resistance to *P. infestans* (Robbins et al., 2010; Wang et al., 2016). Two local cultivars, ‘Meruert’ and ‘Leader’, had the resistant allele of Ph3-gsm; the only specimen with the resistant variant of TG328 was the Russian cultivar ‘Korolek [Kinglet]’. Only two cultivars had the resistant allele of marker PrRuG086-151 associated with locus *Tm-2* conferring resistance to ToMV (Lanfermeijer, Warmink & Hille, 2005), Russian cultivar ‘Zhiraf [Giraffe]’ and Armenian ‘Sunnik’, as was previously revealed in (Pozharskiy et al., 2022). Almost no markers associated with the resistant locus *Sw-5* against TSWV (Dianese et al., 2010; Kim et al., 2020) were detected, with a single exception of marker Sw5-2 in a Russian ‘Super exotic’ variety. For TYCLV, markers associated with resistance loci *Ty-2* and *Ty-3* were tested (Kim et al., 2020). No resistant allele of marker Ty2-UpInDel was revealed. Three markers associated with the resistant variant of *Ty-3* were previously identified in Russian cultivars (Pozharskiy et al., 2022).

Discussions

The results of this study reflect the history and current state of tomato breeding in Kazakhstan. As highlighted by Amirov (2012), no breeding programs for vegetable crops were established in Kazakhstan until 1946, following World War II. The collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991 cut the country from the all-Union system of vegetable crop breeding and seed

production. The development of vegetable breeding and seed production has remained stagnant in the independent Kazakhstan due to a shortage of funding and highly qualified experts (Amirov, 2012). The seven local varieties developed in the only systematic tomato breeding program in the country for years demonstrated low genetic diversity in the study. An overview of the studied collection of varieties, as well as the list of approved cultivars (The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 2009), reflects a high dependence of the local tomato market on Russian seed materials. Such dependence not only make the local horticulture more vulnerable to political and economic factors, but also decreases the diversity of the genetic resources available for cultivation. Hopes for the future development of horticulture are related with the plans of the Republic to join the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV), to stimulate the development of plant breeding through the management and protection of the intellectual property of breeders (Amirov, 2012). The access to this international system will help broaden the spectrum of potentially used plant varieties from throughout the world, and thus increase the diversity of available food products and improve food safety in the country.

Despite the role of the former Research Institute of Potato and Vegetable Breeding, in general, the development of tomato breeding in Kazakhstan has been led in a poorly organized and sporadic manner. Because of the losses of information resulting from outdated infrastructures and insufficient funding since the early years of the country's independence, the origin and the subsequent selection of local tomato varieties cannot be traced. The re-establishment of tomato selection in the country on the contemporary level will require joined efforts from the government, farming businesses, and research institutions. Methods involving molecular genetics are essential for modern breeding practices in order to, on the one hand,

identify, classify, and evaluate the genetic diversity of plant germplasm, and, on the other hand, to help provide a fast and reliable assessment of genetic factors conditioning important phenotypic traits (Amiteye, 2021). The results of this study have highlighted the need for extensive works on the inventorying and systematization of tomato varieties used in local breeding, and DNA-based analyses should play a central role in the former. The history of the selection of local cultivars could be restored using molecular methods, however, this would require (a) a sufficient number of markers covering most parts of the tomato genome; (b) a wider range of available tomato germplasm from throughout the world, or available data on their diversity and compatibility with used marker sets. As was shown, a low number of SSR markers and the limited diversity of analyzed genetic sources used in this study limited the conclusions that could be drawn about the relationships of local varieties with foreign germplasm.

A set of SCAR and CAPS markers of resistance to five diseases revealed a low abundance of corresponding resistant factors not only in the local cultivars, but in all those studied here. The most common marker, At2, associated with the resistance locus *I* against *F. oxysporum*, had an equal proportion of resistant and susceptible variants across all varieties; approximately the same ratio, 8:7, was observed in the group of local cultivars. However, this marker displayed no strong genotype distribution pattern in relation to SSR data. Another *F. oxysporum* resistance marker, Z1063 (locus *I2*), had the allele associated with resistance in one local cultivar, ‘Meruert’. Four local cultivars had a resistant genotype in marker Ph3-gsm to *P. infestans*, and no local varieties had resistance markers against three of the considered viruses. These results indicate that no systematic approaches have so far been developed to work with resistance factors in breeding; the observed markers appeared occasionally and without a strong relation to the overall genetic structure.

The obtained results demonstrated that further studies with expanded sets of markers and varieties are required. A promising path to this is the use of microarray based techniques allowing the simultaneous genotyping of thousands of single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs). This method has a high replicability, allowing the successful combination and comparison of novel genotyping results with data from external sources to look at the wider genetic landscape, as has previously been applied to local apples (Gritsenko et al., 2022). However, this technique is expensive and demanding for required technical infrastructures and staff proficiency in laboratories. Particular attention should be paid to the evaluation of a wider range of markers associated with resistance to various diseases and other biotic and abiotic stress factors, supplementing experimental tests. The plant disease monitoring of tomatoes in Kazakhstan lacks the involvement of modern techniques; the evaluation of pathogens is usually performed in a traditional manner involving descriptive phytopathology (Babayeva et al., 2021). Insufficient data on the distribution of tomato pathogens in the country can potentially lead to massive disease outbreaks and subsequent economical losses when the centers of infection are not being identified in a timely manner. The development of new resistant varieties and their introduction for wide scale commercial usage will increase the sustainability of the tomato market in Kazakhstan and, thus, help strengthen food safety in the republic. Marker-assisted selection should therefore play a key role in breeding in order to achieve this goal.

Conclusions

Future advances in the molecular breeding of tomatoes in Kazakhstan depend on the overall development of agrarian science. This study has presented the results of a pilot study on local tomato cultivars and foreign varieties used for selection with the application of molecular markers for evaluating their genetic structure and the detection of pathogen-resistant genotypes.

Overall, the results have indicated the low genetic diversity of local tomato varieties and low occurrence of the considered genetic markers of resistance. Further studies employing a wider range of markers and involving more diverse tomato genotypes will be important for the future development of tomato breeding in Kazakhstan.

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Figure 1

Results of the genotyping of tomato varieties with SSR markers and markers associated with disease resistance

(A) Bayesian tree of varieties based on SSR markers. (B) STRUCTURE plot for five cluster configurations based on SSR markers. (C) tomato genotypes in markers of resistance against *Phytophthora infestans* (1), ToMV (2), *Fusarium oxysporum* (3), TSWV (4), and TYCLV (5). (D) Evanno's ΔK plot indicating the optimal K . (E) variations of SSR genotypes in tomato varieties of Kazakhstani origin.

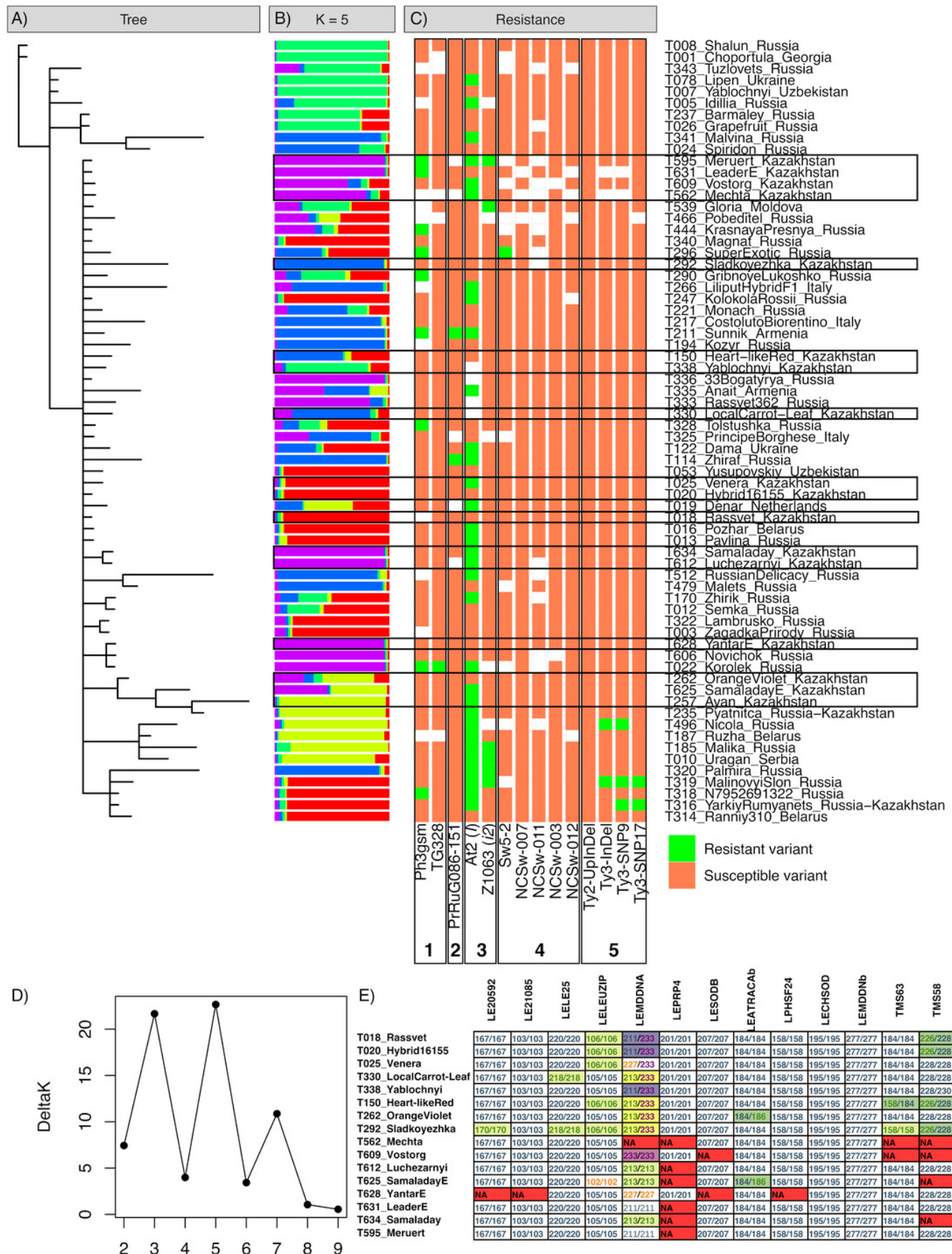


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List of studied tomato varieties

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Sample ID	Variety name	Country of origin	Included to the State Register	Sample ID	Variety name	Country of origin	Included to the State Register
T001	Choportula*	Georgia		T290	Gribnoye Lukoshko	Russia	
T003	Zagadka Prirody* [Enigma of Nature]****	Russia		T292	Sladkoyezhka [Sweet-tooth]	Kazakhstan	
T005	Idillia* [Idyll]	Russia		T296	Super Exotic	Russia	
T007	Yablochnyi* [Apple-like]	Uzbekistan		T314	Ranniy310*	Belarus	
T008	Shalun* [Varmint]	Russia		T316	Yarkiy Rumyanets*	Russia-Kazakhstan**	
T010	Uragan* [Hurricane]	Serbia		T317	N7952691322*	Russia	
T012	Semka* [Seed]	Russia		T319	Malinovy Slon* [Crimson Elephant]	Russia	
T013	Pavlina*	Russia		T320	Palmira*	Russia	
T016	Pozhar* [Fire]	Belarus		T322	Lambrusko*	Russia	
T018	Rassvet* [Sunrise]	Kazakhstan	+	T325	Principe Borghese	Italy	
T019	Denar*	Netherlands		T328	Tolstushka* [Fatty]	Russia	
T020	Hybrid16155	Kazakhstan		T330	Local with Carrot- Leaf	Kazakhstan	
T022	Korolek [Kinglet]	Russia		T333	Rassvet362*	Russia	+
T024	Spiridon*	Russia		T335	Anait	Armenia	
T025	Venera* [Venus]	Kazakhstan		T336	33 Bogatyrya [33 Heroes]	Russia	
T026	Grapefruit	Russia		T338	Yablochnyi*	Kazakhstan	
T053	Yusupovskiy	Uzbekistan		T340	Magnat	Russia	
T078	Lipen*	Ukraine		T341	Malvina	Russia	
T114	Zhiraf* [Giraffe]	Russia		T343	Tuzlovets	Russia	
T122	Dama* [Dame]	Ukraine		T444	Krasnaya Presnya [Red Presnya]	Russia	
T150	Heart-likeRed	Kazakhstan		T466	Pobeditel [Winner]	Russia	
T170	Zhirik	Russia		T479	Malets [Small Boy]	Russia	
T185	Malika*	Russia		T496	Nicola*	Russia	
T187	Ruzha*	Belarus		T512	Russian Delicacy	Russia	
T194	Kozyr* [Trump]	Russia		T539	Gloria	Moldova	
T211	Sunnik*	Armenia		T562	Mechta [Dream]	Kazakhstan	
T217	Costoluto Biorentino*	Italy		T595	Meruert	Kazakhstan	+
T221	Monach* [Monk]	Russia		T606	Novichok [Newcomer]	Russia	+
T235	Pyatnitca [Friday]	Russia-Kazakhstan**		T609	Vostorg [Delight]	Kazakhstan	+
T237	Barmaley	Russia		T612	Luhezarnyi [Shiny]	Kazakhstan	+
T247	Kolokola Rossii [Russian Bells]	Russia		T625	Samaladay	Kazakhstan	+
T257	Ayan	Kazakhstan		T628	Yantarnyi [Amber]	Kazakhstan	
T262	Orange-Violet	Kazakhstan		T631	Leader	Kazakhstan	+
T266	Lilliput Hybrid	Italy		T634	Samaladay***	Kazakhstan	+

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* Data on resistance markers against ToMV, TSWV, TYCLV taken from (Pozharskiy et al., 2022) ** Local breeding line based on Russian cultivars *** Intermediate breeding line **** Translations of the Russian names of cultivars								

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Tomato SSR markers used for genotyping

1 **Table 2. Tomato SSR markers used for genotyping**

Marker name	PCR primers	Repeating pattern*	Expected allele range	Multipl ex group	Source
LE20592	F: 5'- FAM -CTGTTTACTTCAAGAAGGCTG R: 5'-ACTTTAACTTTATTATTGCCACG	(TAT) ₁₅₋₁ (TGT) ₄	165–172	1	(Smulders et al., 1997)
LE21085	F: 5'- FAM -CATTTTATCATTTATTTGTGTCTTG R: 5'-ACAAAAAAAGGTGACGATACA	(TA) ₂ (TAT) ₉₋₁	103–119	1	
LELE25	F: 5'- FAM -TTCTTCCGTATGAGTGAGT R: 5'-CTCTATTACTTATTATTATCG	(TA) ₁₃₋₁	222–225	2	
LELEUZIP	F: 5'- HEX -GGTGATAATTTGGGAGGTTAC R: 5'-CGTAACAGGATGTGCTATAGG	(AAG) ₆₋₁ TT	101-105	2	
LEMDDNA	F: 5'- HEX -ATTCAAGGAACTTTTAGCTCC R: 5'-TGCATTAAGGTTTCATAAATGA	(TA) ₉	210-226	3	
LEPRP4	F: 5'- HEX -TTCATTTCTTGCAACTACGAT R: 5'-CATACTAGCAACATCAAAGGG	(TAT) ₃ (TGT) ₅	108-112	3	
LESODB	F: 5'- FAM -TTATCAATTCATCATTGTGGC R: 5'-AGTAAGGGGTTTAGGGGTAGT	(TTC) ₆	208–212	1	
LEATRACAb	F: 5'- FAM -GTATGTCAAATCTCTCTTGCG R: 5'-ACTCTCCATCGTCTCTTTCAC	(GA) ₇	184–186	2	
LPHSF24	F: 5'- HEX -TTGGATTTACAAGTTCGATGT R: 5'-GCATTTGACTTGATAGCAGTC	(TA) ₆	156–158	1	
LECHSOD	F: 5'- FAM -TTATCAATTCATCATTGTGGC R: 5'-AGGGGTAGTGACAGCATAAAG	(CTT) ₆	196–198	3	
LEMDDNb	F: 5'- FAM -TAAATACAAAAGCAGGAGTCG R: 5'-GAGTTGACAGATCCTTCAATG	(TG) ₄ (TA) ₄	278–280	2	(Areshchenkova & Ganai, 2002)
TMS63	F: 5'- HEX -GCAGGTACGCACGCATATAT R: 5'-GCTCCGTCAGGAATTCTCTC	(AT) ₄ (GT) ₁₈ (AT) ₉	130–150**	2	
TMS58	F: 5'- HEX -CATTTGTTGTATGGCATCGC R: 5'-CAGTGACCTCTCGCACAAAA	(TA) ₁₅ (TG) ₁₇	223–226**	3	

* (-1) at the subscript indicates the presence of an imperfect repeat

** According to (Mazzucato et al., 2008); otherwise according to (Castellana et al., 2020)

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Tomato SCAR and CAPS markers associated with resistance to pathogens

1 **Table 3. Tomato SCAR and CAPS markers associated with resistance to pathogens**

Pathogen	Resistance locus	Linked marker	PCR primers	Restriction enzyme	Source
<i>Phytophthora infestans</i>	<i>Ph-3</i>	CAPS Ph3.gsm	F: 5'-TAGTATGGTCAAACATATGCAG R: 5'-CTTCAAGTTGCAGAAAGCTATC	FD <i>HincII</i>	(Wang et al., 2016)
		CAPS TG328	F: 5'-GGTGATCTGCTTATAGACTTGGG R: 5'-AAGGTCTAAAGAAGGCTGGTGC	FD <i>MvaI</i> (<i>BstNI</i>) ***	(Robbins et al., 2010)
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	<i>I</i>	SCAR At2	F: 5'-CGAATCTGTATATTACATCCGTCGT R: 5'-GGTGAATACCGATCATAGTCGAG + control (LAT): F: 5'-AGACCACGAGAACGATATTTGC R: 5'-TTCTTGCCTTTTCATATCCAGACA	-	(Arens et al., 2010)
	<i>I2</i>	SCAR Z1063	F: 5'-ATTTGAAAGCGTGGTATTGC R: 5'-CTTAAACTCACCATTAAATC + control (Rubisco): F: 5'-ATGTCACCACAAACAGAGAC R: 5'-CTCACAAGCAGCAGCTAG	-	
Tomato mosaic virus (ToMV)	<i>Tm2</i>	CAPS PrRuG0 86-151	F: 5'-GAGTTCTTCCGTTCAAATCCTAAGCTTGAGAAG R: 5'-CTACTACACTCACGTTGCTGTGATGCAC	<i>KspAI</i> (<i>HpaI</i>) ***	(Lanfermeijer, Warmink & Hille, 2005)
Tomato spotted wilt virus (TSWV)	<i>Sw-5</i>	SCAR NCSw-003	F: 5'-TCTCGTTATCCAATTTACACC R: 5'-GCAATTTTGTCTTCTGGTCT	-	(Panthee & Ibrahim, 2013)
		SCAR NCSw-012	F: 5'-ATGGTCAACTCGATCAGAAC R: 5'-TTTGGTGAGGATCTGATTTC	-	
		CAPS NCSw-007	F: 5'-GTTGCTAACTCGACTCGTTC R: 5'-TCACTCACGTCCTATTGACA	FD <i>HinfI</i>	
		CAPS NCSw-011	F: 5'-TATCATCCTCATACCCCTTG R: 5'-GGATTTTCTCATCATCTCCA	<i>HpyF3I</i> (<i>DdeI</i>) ***	
		SCAR Sw5-2	F: 5'-AATTAGGTTCTTGAAGCCCATCT R: 5'-TTCCGCATCAGCCAATAGTGT	-	(Dianese et al., 2010)
Tomato yellow curly leaf virus (TYLCV)	<i>Ty-2</i>	SCAR Ty2-UpInDel	F: 5'-ACCCCAAAAACATTTCTGAAATCCT R: 5'-TGGCTATTTTGTGAAAATTCTCACT	-	(Kim et al., 2020)
	<i>Ty-3</i>	CAPS Ty3-InDel/S NP9	F: 5'-CCTATCCTCAGTGTTTCGGTCA R: 5'-GGCGAAAGACTTTGTGTACACA	<i>BstI</i> 1107I (<i>BstZ17I</i>) / <i>MunI</i> (<i>MfeI</i>)***	
		CAPS Ty3-SNP17	F: 5'-TCTCAGGTGATGCTGAGCAC R: 5'-AGAGAACGAAAACGAAATTTCAAACA	<i>RsaI</i>	

* Gene ID and genomic positions according *S. lycopersicum* genome assembly SL3.0;

** Marker positions in *S. lycopersicum* genome assembly SL3.0;

*** Isoschizomers used in the work and by the original authors (in parentheses);

FD – FastDigest™ restriction enzyme product series (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA)

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Summary of SSR genotyping of 68 tomato varieties

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Marker name	N	Detected alleles	Missing genotype rate	MAF	H_e	H_o	H_e vs. H_o (χ^2 test p -value)
LE20592	3	164,167,170	0.0147	0.1045	0.3206	0.0149	0
LE21085	2	103,117	0.0441	0.1769	0.2912	0.0154	2.2315×10^{-14}
LELE25	3	218,220,222	0	0.0735	0.3334	0.2059	6.7279×10^{-14}
LELEUZIP	4	102,104,105,106	0	0.3088	0.5978	0	0
LEMDDNA	5	211,213,219,227,233	0.0147	0.2463	0.6788	0.7164	0.0003
LEPRP4	1	201	0.1176	-	-	-	-
LESODB	1	207	0.0294	-	-	-	-
LEATRACAb	2	184,186	0.0294	0.0303	0.0588	0.0606	0.7995
LPHSF24	2	158,164	0.0147	0.0298	0.0579	0.0597	0.8011
LECHSOD	1	195	0	-	-	-	-
LEMDDNb	1	277	0.0147	-	-	-	-
TMS63	4	158,184,188,202	0.0735	0.2222	0.3818	0.0793	0
TMS58	3	226,228,230	0.0735	0.1667	0.3287	0.3333	0.8085
N – number of detected alleles; MAF – minor allele frequency; H_e – expected heterozygosity; H_o – observed heterozygosity							

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Summary of the genotyping results of 68 tomato varieties with SCAR and CAPS markers of resistance against infectious diseases.

1 **Table 5. Summary of the genotyping results of 68 tomato varieties with SCAR and CAPS**
 2 **markers of resistance against infectious diseases.**

Pathogen	Marker	Marker type	Number of genotypes		
			Susceptible	Resistant	Missing
<i>Phytophthora infestans</i>	Ph3.gsm	CAPS	48	9	11
	TG328	CAPS	62	1	5
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	At2	SCAR	32	32	4
	Z1063	SCAR	57	6	5
Tomato mosaic virus (ToMV)	PrRuG086-151*	CAPS	61	2	5
Tomato spotted wilt virus (TSWV)	NCSw-003*	SCAR	66	0	2
	NCSw-012*	SCAR	62	0	6
	NCSw-007*	CAPS	65	0	3
	NCSw-011*	CAPS	53	0	15
	Sw5-2*	SCAR	56	1	11
Tomato yellow curly leaf virus (TYLCV)	Ty2-UpInDel*	SCAR	68	0	0
	Ty3-InDel*	CAPS	64	2	2
	Ty3-SNP9*	CAPS	63	3	2
	Ty3-SNP17*	CAPS	65	2	1
* Including data from (Pozharskiy et al., 2022), as indicated in Table 1					