

# Genetic diversity of the breeding collection of tomato varieties in Kazakhstan assessed using PCR based markers

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## 20 Abstract

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39 curly leaf virus

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## 41 Introduction

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

48 Tomatoes comprise an important part of overall vegetable production in Kazakhstan, with  
49 788,760 tons harvested from 30.2 thousand hectares in 2022. Tomato production has been  
50 developed in the country extensively rather than intensively; the growing area has doubled but  
51 the yield per hectare volume has stagnated in the last 30 years (Food and Agriculture  
52 Organization of the United Nations, 2021). Among the tomato varieties approved for cultivation  
53 in the country, the foreign cultivars prevail with a significant share of varieties from Russia and  
54 other ex-USSR countries (The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 2009).  
55 Such a dependence on imported planting material poses various risks for food security, the most  
56 concerning of which is the possible importation of dangerous pests (Chalam et al., 2021), weeds  
57 (Wilson et al., 2016) , and pathogens (Elmer, 2001; Rodoni, 2009). Thus, it is important for the  
58 domestic market of agricultural crops to adopt a wider use of old and newly obtained varieties  
59 which are bred locally, and it should be associated with comprehensive plant epidemiological  
60 controls. To confront potentially deleterious plant pathogens, it is not only necessary to detect  
61 and eradicate infected plants in a timely manner, but also to increase the resistance potential of  
62 cultivated crops against disease by breeding and selecting varieties with genetic factors of  
63 resistance. Modern practices require the extensive utilization of molecular methods to solve both  
64 these problems. The development of DNA-based methods has enabled the detection of pathogens  
65 with a high sensitivity and reliability (McCartney et al., 2003; López et al., 2009); moreover,

66 modern systems have been moving towards prioritizing portability and time efficiency, helping  
67 to perform analyses directly in the field (Donoso & Valenzuela, 2018). Molecular markers  
68 associated with disease resistance in plants play a crucial role in modern breeding programs since  
69 their use in marker assistant selection (MAS) helps to significantly reduce the time and labor  
70 required for developing new resistant varieties (Collard & Mackill, 2008; Miedaner, 2016).  
71 However, in Kazakhstan, the implementation of such advanced breeding practices for tomato is  
72 limited by relatively low economic and scientific interests. Indeed, to date, no systematic efforts  
73 have been made to lay the molecular genetic basis for selection programs for tomato crops. In  
74 contrast, the molecular genetics of wheat, the crop playing a prominent role in both the country's  
75 domestic food market and international trade, have received significant research attention for  
76 years (Kokhmetova et al., 2017; Anuarbek, Abugalieva & Turuspekov, 2018; Genievskaia et al.,  
77 2022).

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

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

## 94 **Materials and methods**

95  
96 A selection of tomato varieties was obtained from the collection of the Fruit and  
97 Vegetable Research Institute (FVRI; Almaty, Kazakhstan) (Table 1). Seed materials were grown  
98 and DNA was isolated as previously described in (Pozharskiy et al., 2022).

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

112 software. R language (R Core Team, 2019) and adegenet (Jombart & Ahmed, 2011), ape  
113 (Paradis, Claude & Strimmer, 2004), and ggtree (Yu et al., 2017) packages were used for general  
114 data handling and visualization. The genotyping data was encoded using an additive pseudo-  
115 haploid scheme where each observed allele was represented as a single digit value: 0 for absence,  
116 1 for heterozygous state, 2 for homozygous state.

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

122 STRUCTURE was run for expected numbers of clusters  $K$  from 1 to 10 using the  
123 standard admixture model with 50,000 burn-in and 100,000 MCMC iterations. To find the  
124 optimal  $K$ , ten replicates were calculated for each value, and CLUMPAK web-server (Kopelman  
125 et al., 2015) was used to estimate  $\Delta K$  following Evanno's method (Evanno, Regnaut & Goudet,  
126 2005).

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

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

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

## 141 Results

142  
143 A total of 68 tomato varieties were used in the study, including 13 cultivars of domestic  
144 origin. Most of these varieties represent a pool of tomato genotypes used in ongoing breeding  
145 programs. The local cultivars ‘Meruert’, ‘Vostorg’, ‘Luchezarnyi’, and ‘Samaladay’, as well as  
146 Russian cultivars ‘Novichok’ and ‘Rassvet 362’, have also been approved for commercial use in  
147 Kazakhstan (The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 2009).

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

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

164         The genetic heterogeneity of the studied samples was revealed by a Bayesian cluster  
165 analysis (Fig. 1, a, b). The results obtained using two algorithms implemented in MrBayes and  
166 STRUCTURE software were compared to acquire a more detailed picture of the genetic  
167 structure of the samples. According to the MrBayes results, most of the studied tomato varieties  
168 formed a large subtree with weak sub-structure. The results obtained with STRUCTURE  
169 produced a data partition into five clusters, in accordance with the best Evanno's  $\Delta K$  value (Fig.  
170 1, d). The first cluster (shown pale green) was the most distinct group representing a compact  
171 sub-group at the tree; the highest probabilities were assigned to the 'Lipen' (Ukraine),  
172 'Yablochnyi [Apple-like]' (Uzbekistan), 'Choportula' (Georgia), and 'Shalun [Varmint]'  
173 (Russia) cultivars, which had identical genotypes. The local variant of the 'Yablochnyi [Apple-  
174 like]' cultivar was the only variety from Kazakhstan included in this cluster; however, it was  
175 located apart from the rest in the tree and differed from its Uzbekistani relatives in two markers,  
176 LE21085 and TMS58. Another distinct cluster (shown in yellow) included two small subclusters  
177 in the tree; the typical members of this group were the 'Ayan' (Kazakhstan), 'Ruzha' (Belarus),  
178 'Nicola' (Russia), and 'Pyatnica [Friday]' (local breeding line based on Russian cultivar)  
179 cultivars. The other three clusters (shown in red, blue, and purple) appeared as a mixed set of  
180 subgroups and intermediate genotypes within the main subtree.

181 Fifteen tomato varieties are the results of breeding efforts established in Kazakhstan. All  
182 local varieties yielded a high genetic similarity according to SSR markers used (Fig. 1, e;  
183 Additional file 1). Across all 11 polymorphic markers, only three markers demonstrated  
184 genotype variations within the local cultivars: LEMDDNA with a set of detected alleles 211,  
185 213, 227, 233; LELEUZIP with alleles 102, 105, 106; and TMS58 with alleles 226, 228, 230.  
186 The LELE25, LEATRACAb, and TM63 markers had only two differing genotypes across 15  
187 local varieties, and marker LE20592 had the only differing genotype in the ‘Sladkoyezhka’  
188 cultivar. This cultivar was the most distinct one across all local varieties. The ‘Yantar [Amber]’,  
189 ‘Leader’, ‘Luchezarnyi [Shiny]’, ‘Meruert’, ‘Vostorg [Delight]’, and ‘Mechta [Dream]’ varieties  
190 formed a group of similar genotypes (purple color in Fig. 1, b), along with Russian cultivars  
191 ‘Novichok [Newcomer]’, ‘Korolek [Kinglet]’, ‘Rassvet 365 [Sunrise 365]’, and ‘33 bogatyrya  
192 [33 heroes]’. The breeding line of the ‘Samaladay’ cultivar (specimen T634) also belonged to  
193 this group, however, the finally established line for commercial use (specimen T625) differed in  
194 the LELEUZIP (genotype 102/102) and LEATRACAb (184/186) markers. The LEPRP4 and  
195 TMS58 markers were characterized by a notably high occurrence of missing genotypes in this  
196 group. All these local varieties were obtained by the breeding programs of the former Research  
197 Institute of Potato and Vegetable Breeding (now part of the Fruit and Vegetable Research  
198 Institute, Almaty, Kazakhstan) (Kurganskaya & Dzhanasova). Other local varieties were more  
199 diverse, with relation to various foreign cultivars.

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

204 *oxysporum*: half of all 64 successfully genotyped samples were positive for resistance. Another  
205 resistance marker against *F. oxysporum*, Z1063, associated with *I2* resistance genes, was  
206 observed in six specimens, including the local ‘Meruert’ cultivar. Both these markers are  
207 dominant SCAR markers linked with the corresponding resistance loci introduced to tomatoes  
208 from *Solanum pimpinellifolium* (Arens et al., 2010). Two codominant markers, Ph3-gsm and  
209 TG328, have been linked with *Ph-3* locus conferring resistance to *P. infestans* (Robbins et al.,  
210 2010; Wang et al., 2016). Two local cultivars, ‘Meruert’ and ‘Leader’, had the resistant allele of  
211 Ph3-gsm; the only specimen with the resistant variant of TG328 was the Russian cultivar  
212 ‘Korolek [Kinglet]’. Only two cultivars had the resistant allele of marker PrRuG086-151  
213 associated with locus *Tm-2* conferring resistance to ToMV (Lanfermeijer, Warmink & Hille,  
214 2005), Russian cultivar ‘Zhiraf [Giraffe]’ and Armenian ‘Sunnik’, as was previously revealed in  
215 (Pozharskiy et al., 2022). Almost no markers associated with the resistant locus *Sw-5* against  
216 TSWV (Dianese et al., 2010; Kim et al., 2020) were detected, with a single exception of marker  
217 Sw5-2 in a Russian ‘Super exotic’ variety. For TYCLV, markers associated with resistance loci  
218 *Ty-2* and *Ty-3* were tested (Kim et al., 2020). No resistant allele of marker Ty2-UpInDel was  
219 revealed. Three markers associated with the resistant variant of *Ty-3* were previously identified  
220 in Russian cultivars (Pozharskiy et al., 2022).

## 221 **Discussions**

222

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 291           **Conclusions**

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

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

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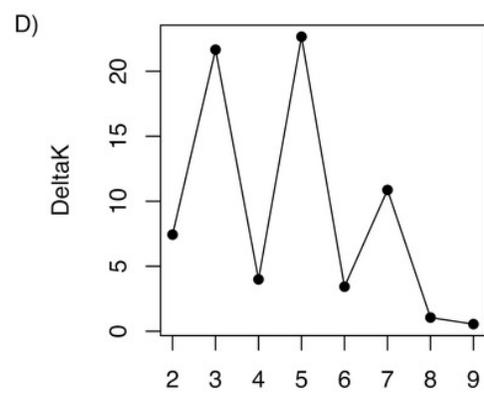
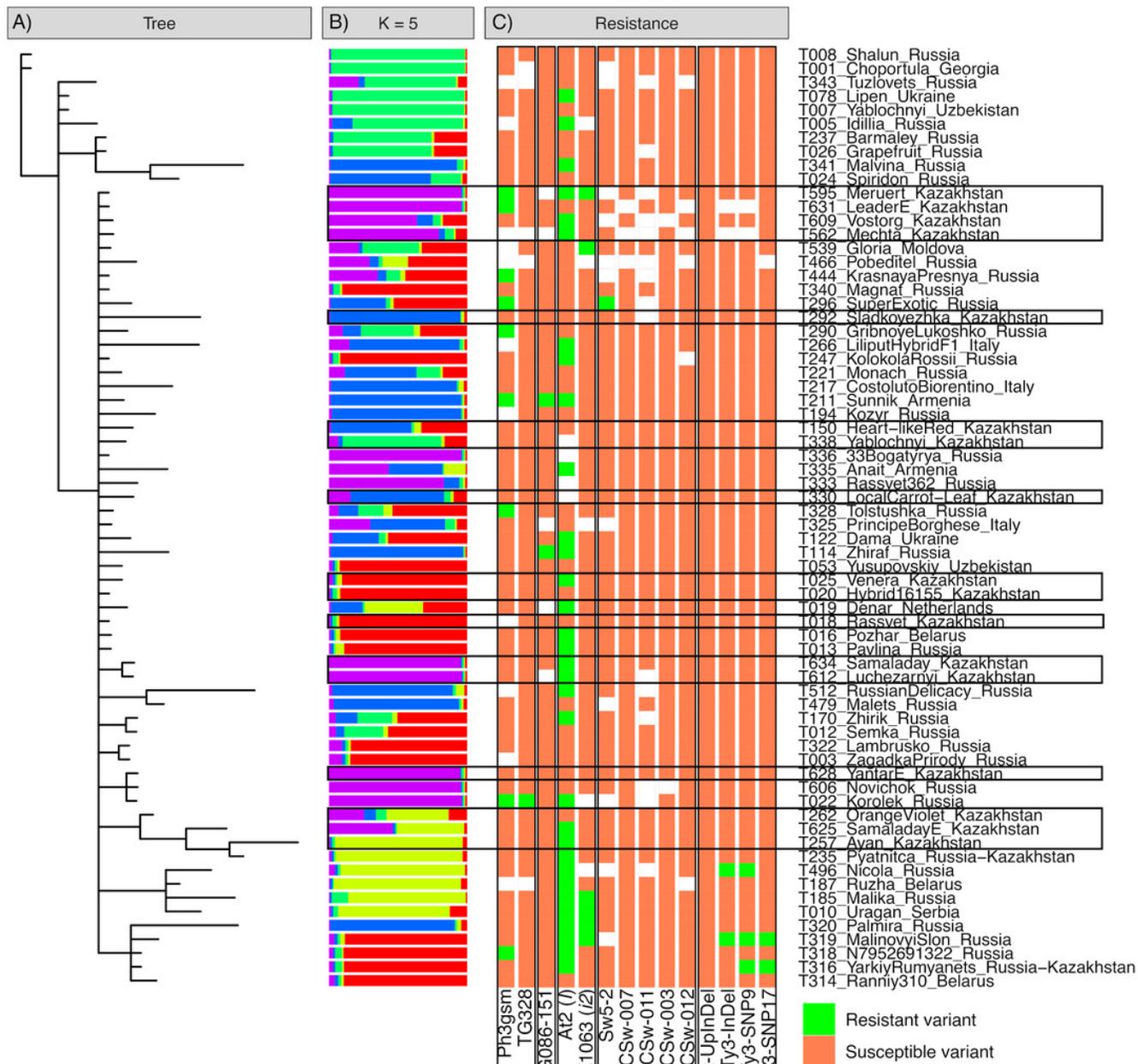
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# Figure 1

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  $\Delta K$  plot indicating the optimal  $K$ . (E) variations of SSR genotypes in tomato varieties of Kazakhstani origin.



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	LE20592	LE21085	LELE25	LELEZIP	LEMDDNA	LEPRP4	LESODB	LEATRCAB	LPHSF24	LECHSOD	LEMDDNB	TMS63	TMS58
T018_Rassvet	167/167	103/103	220/220	106/106	211/233	201/201	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	226/228
T020_Hybrid16155	167/167	103/103	220/220	106/106	211/233	201/201	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	226/228
T025_Venera	167/167	103/103	220/220	106/106	227/233	201/201	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	228/228
T330_LocalCarrot-Leaf	167/167	103/103	218/218	105/105	213/233	201/201	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	228/228
T338_Yablochnyi	167/167	103/103	220/220	105/105	211/233	201/201	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	228/230
T150_Heart-likeRed	167/167	103/103	220/220	106/106	213/233	201/201	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	226/228
T262_OrangeViolet	167/167	103/103	220/220	105/105	213/233	201/201	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	228/228
T292_Sladkoyezhka	170/170	103/103	218/218	106/106	213/233	201/201	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	158/158	226/228
T562_Mechta	167/167	103/103	220/220	105/105	NA	NA	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	NA	NA
T609_Vostorg	167/167	103/103	220/220	105/105	233/233	201/201	NA	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	NA	NA
T612_Luchezarnyi	167/167	103/103	220/220	105/105	213/213	NA	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	228/228
T625_Samaladaye	167/167	103/103	220/220	102/102	213/213	NA	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	NA
T628_YantarE	NA	NA	220/220	105/105	227/227	201/201	NA	184/184	NA	195/195	277/277	184/184	228/228
T631_LeaderE	167/167	103/103	220/220	105/105	211/211	NA	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	228/228
T634_Samaladaya	167/167	103/103	220/220	105/105	213/213	NA	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	NA
T595_Meruert	167/167	103/103	220/220	105/105	211/211	NA	207/207	184/184	158/158	195/195	277/277	184/184	228/228

**Table 1** (on next page)

List of studied tomato varieties

1 **Table 1. List of studied tomato varieties.**

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* [Early 310]	Belarus	
T008	Shalun* [Varmint]	Russia		T316	Yarkiy Rumyanets* [Bright Blush]	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* [Sunrise 362]	Russia	+
T024	Spiridon*	Russia		T335	Anait	Armenia	
T025	Venera* [Venus]	Kazakhstan		T336	33 Bogatyrya [33 Heroes]	Russia	
T026	Grapefruit	Russia		T338	Yablochnyi* [Apple-like]	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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<p>* 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</p>							

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**Table 2** (on next page)

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'- <b>FAM</b> -CTGTTTACTTCAAGAAGGCTG R: 5'-ACTTTAACTTTATTATTGCCACG	(TAT) <sub>15-1</sub> (TGT) <sub>4</sub>	165–172	1	(Smulders et al., 1997)	
LE21085	F: 5'- <b>FAM</b> -CATTTTATCATTTATTTGTGTCTTG R: 5'-ACAAAAAAGGTGACGATACA	(TA) <sub>2</sub> (TAT) <sub>9-1</sub>	103–119	1		
LELE25	F: 5'- <b>FAM</b> -TTCTTCCGTATGAGTGAGT R: 5'-CTCTACTTATTATTATCG	(TA) <sub>13-1</sub>	222–225	2		
LELEUZIP	F: 5'- <b>HEX</b> -GGTGATAATTTGGGAGGTTAC R: 5'-CGTAACAGGATGTGCTATAGG	(AAG) <sub>6-1</sub> TT	101-105	2		
LEMDDNA	F: 5'- <b>HEX</b> -ATTCAAGGAACTTTTAGCTCC R: 5'-TGCATTAAGGTTTCATAAATGA	(TA) <sub>9</sub>	210-226	3		
LEPRP4	F: 5'- <b>HEX</b> -TTCATTTCTTGCAACTACGAT R: 5'-CATACTAGCAACATCAAAGGG	(TAT) <sub>3</sub> (TGT) <sub>5</sub>	108-112	3		
LESODB	F: 5'- <b>FAM</b> -TTATCAATTCATCATTGTGGC R: 5'-AGTAAGGGGTTTAGGGGTAGT	(TTC) <sub>6</sub>	208–212	1		
LEATRACAb	F: 5'- <b>FAM</b> -GTATGTCAAATCTCTCTTGCG R: 5'-ACTCTCCATCGTCTCTTTCAC	(GA) <sub>7</sub>	184–186	2		
LPHSF24	F: 5'- <b>HEX</b> -TTGGATTACAAGTTCGATGT R: 5'-GCATTTGACTTGATAGCAGTC	(TA) <sub>6</sub>	156–158	1		
LECHSOD	F: 5'- <b>FAM</b> -TTATCAATTCATCATTGTGGC R: 5'-AGGGGTAGTGACAGCATAAAG	(CTT) <sub>6</sub>	196–198	3		
LEMDDNb	F: 5'- <b>FAM</b> -TAAATACAAAAGCAGGAGTCG R: 5'-GAGTTGACAGATCCTTCAATG	(TG) <sub>4</sub> (TA) <sub>4</sub>	278–280	2		
TMS63	F: 5'- <b>HEX</b> -GCAGGTACGCACGCATATAT R: 5'-GCTCCGTCAGGAATTCTCTC	(AT) <sub>4</sub> (GT) <sub>18</sub> (AT) <sub>9</sub>	130–150**	2		(Areshchenkova & Ganal, 2002)
TMS58	F: 5'- <b>HEX</b> -CATTTGTTGTATGGCATCGC R: 5'-CAGTGACCTCTCGCACAAAA	(TA) <sub>15</sub> (TG) <sub>17</sub>	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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**Table 3** (on next page)

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'-ATTTGAAAAGCGTGGTATTGC R: 5'-CTTAAACTCACCATTAAATC + control (Rubisco): F: 5'-ATGTCACCACAAACAGAGAC R: 5'-CTCACAAGCAGCAGCTAG	-	
Tomato mosaic virus (ToMV)	<i>Tm2</i>	CAPS PrRuG0 86-151	F: 5'-GAGTTCTCCGTTCAAATCCTAAGCTTGAGAAG 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'-TCTCGTTATCCAATTTCAACC R: 5'-GCAATTTTGTCTTCTGGTCT	-	(Panthee & Ibrahim, 2013)
		SCAR NCSw-012	F: 5'-ATGGTCAACTCGATCAGAAC R: 5'-TTTGGTGAGGATCTGATTTT	-	
		CAPS NCSw-007	F: 5'-GTTGCTAACTCGACTCGTTC R: 5'-TCACTCACGTCCTATTGACA	FD <i>HinfI</i>	
		CAPS NCSw-011	F: 5'-TATCATCCTCATACCCCTTG R: 5'-GGATTTTCTCATCTCCA	<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'-TGGCTATTTGTGAAAATTCTCACT	-	(Kim et al., 2020)
	<i>Ty-3</i>	CAPS Ty3-InDel/S NP9	F: 5'-CCTATCCTCAGTGTTCGGTCA R: 5'-GGCGAAAGACTTTGTGTACACA	<i>Bst1107I</i> ( <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)



**Table 4** (on next page)

Summary of SSR genotyping of 68 tomato varieties

1 **Table 4. Summary of SSR genotyping of 68 tomato varieties**

Marker name	$N$	Detected alleles	Missing genotype rate	MAF	$H_e$	$H_o$	$H_e$ vs. $H_o$ ( $\chi^2$ 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	$2.2315 \times 10^{-14}$
LELE25	3	218,220,222	0	0.0735	0.3334	0.2059	$6.7279 \times 10^{-14}$
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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**Table 5** (on next page)

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					

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