

Mapping SSR markers linked to powdery mildew resistance gene in sesamum (*Sesamum indicum* L)

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Powdery mildew (*Oidium sesame*) is a serious disease of sesamum (*Sesamum Indicum*) and is one of the major constraints in sesamum production. F₁ was developed by crossing the resistant parent (BB3-8 accession of *Sesamum mulayanum*) and the susceptible parent (Swetha til) during Late summer, 2009. F₂ sesamum population (104 plants) produced from selfing of F₁ in Kharif 2010. On screening of 104 plants of F₂ population, the plants segregated into 61 susceptible and 43 resistant plants. Chi-square analysis showed the observed ratio to confirm the expected ratio of 9:7 ratio (susceptible : resistant) and the resistance to disease was governed by two pairs of recessive genes contributed by *S. mulayanum*. The two parents were screened for parental polymorphism using 300 sesame microsatellite markers, of which 240 showed clear amplification pattern and 24 markers exhibited polymorphism (10%) and the same were used for genotyping. DNA from 104 F₂ progenies were collected for genotyping with 24 Polymorphic SSR primers. Molecular linkage map was constructed with SSR markers SM10 178 and SM10 176 using the MAPMAKER/EXP version 3.0 Both the markers were mapped to one and the same linkage group at a distance of 14.2 cM. These two markers were found to be linked to the powdery mildew resistance gene.

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