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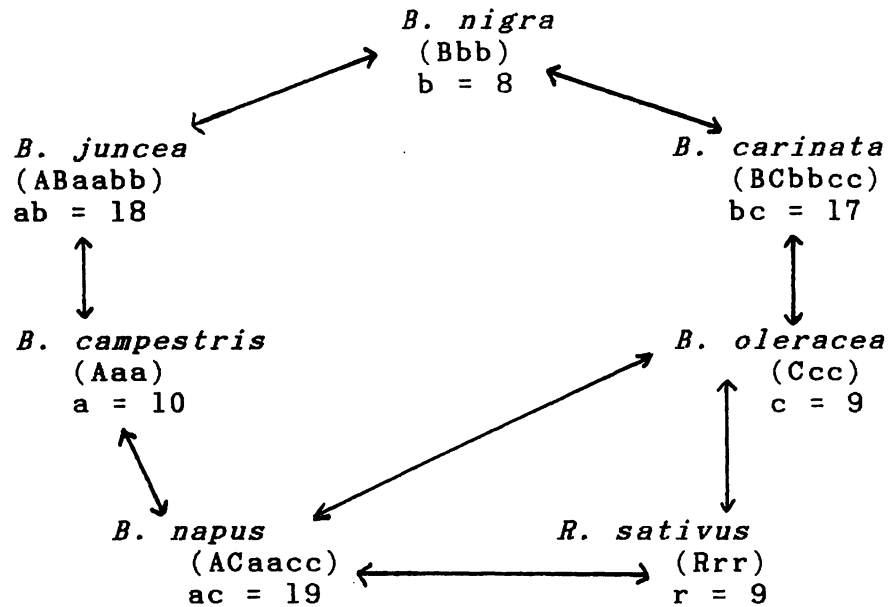
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**BIOLOGY, TAXONOMY, PRODUCTION AND USES OF CULTIVATED
 BRASSICAS AND RAPHANUS**

Cultivated brassicas are represented by six interrelated species, three of which are diploids, *B. nigra*, bb (n = 8), *B. oleracea*, cc (n = 9) and *B. campestris*, aa (n = 10) and three of which are the amphidiploid derivatives of the diploid species, *B. carinata*, bbcc (n = 17), *B. juncea*, aabb (n = 18) and *B. napus*, aacc (n = 19).



Many of the *Brassica* species consist of numerous subspecies or varieties representing a diverse range of morphotypes and utilization, from oils and condiments to vegetables and animal fodders. (see CrGC-ID #, NG 05-11-85 WILPAU). Brassica oil (rapeseed oil) ranks 5th in world commerce as a major edible and industrial oil, kales, rapes, turnips and swedes are important sheep and cattle fodder in climates too cool for maize or soybeans whereas the cole crops and oriental brassica greens are a primary dietary vitamin source for over half of the world's population.

The cytogenetic interrelationships of the six *Brassica* sp. were first described by Morinaga (1934) and U (1935) and since then numerous studies have been made on the interspecific transfer of genes among various species of brassicas, Yarnell (1956), McNaughton and Ross (1978). More recently intergeneric relationships between various brassicas and radish *Raphanus sativus*, rr (n = 9) have demonstrated the transfer of

potentially useful characters such as disease resistance and high dry matter content and have resulted in the development of the new crop genus *Raphanobrassica* (McNaughton and Ross, 1978).

The three diploid species of *Brassica* are insect pollinated and strongly outbreeding with self incompatibility controlled by a multiple allelic series of genes at the S-locus and under sporophytic phenotypic expression. Occasionally genetic self compatibility can be found and is predominant in cauliflower and sarson (yellow mustard). Selfing of incompatible plants can be accomplished by bud pollination; the placing of "self" pollen on the immature stigmas, 1-2 days prior to anthesis. Selfing in the diploid species normally results in inbreeding depression. Amphidiploid species are predominantly self pollinating (75% in oil seed rape) though S-alleles do exist in some populations of amphidiploids.

BRASSICA AND RAPHANUS SEED PRODUCTION

Full development of ovules in the various brassicas results in 20-30 seeds per silique.

The reproductive forms of different brassicas range from biennial and winter annuals which may require from a few days to several months of cool temperatures (< 5 C) to induce flowering, to annual and ephemeral types which flower without vernalization. Seed production of most brassicas occurs in regions with cool (mild) winter climates where vernalization of the biennial forms takes place. Following late summer and fall sowings, flowering occurs from April through June with seed harvest in July and August.

VEGETABLE BRASSICA AND RAPHANUS SEED PRODUCTION AREAS

North America - U.S.A.

- Washington State (Puget Sound Area), Oregon and California
- all are preferred regions because dry summers minimize the seed borne diseases caused by *Xanthomonas campestris*, *Leptosphaeria maculans*, and *Alternaria brassicicola*.

Europe - S. England, Holland, Denmark, Central France, Italy

South Africa, Japan, Korea, China, India, New Zealand, and S.E. Australia

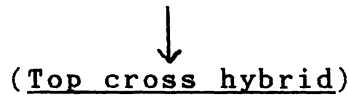
HYBRID PRODUCTION

Incompatibility

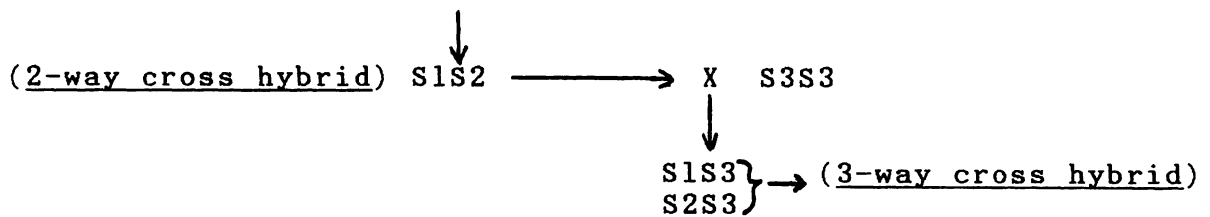
Many vegetable brassicas and radishes are produced as F1 hybrids using S-allele incompatibility. Selfing is accomplished by bud pollination. Selfing may also be achieved by exposure of plants to increased CO₂ levels for a few hours prior to pollination. Immature buds, 2 days prior to anthesis, are carefully opened with forceps and pollen from mature flowers

is placed on the immature stigmas. F2 and F3 and later selfed generations are tested for homozygosity and homogeneity of S-alleles via diallel analysis. Self- and sib-incompatible inbreds having different S-alleles are interplanted in F1 hybrid seed production. Depending on the degree of S-allele control in the particular breeding program, one-, two-, three-, and four-way hybrids can be made.

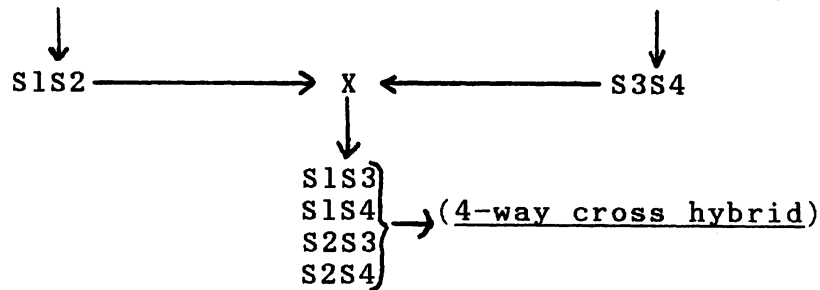
1. S1S1 X SxSy (open pollinated inbred)



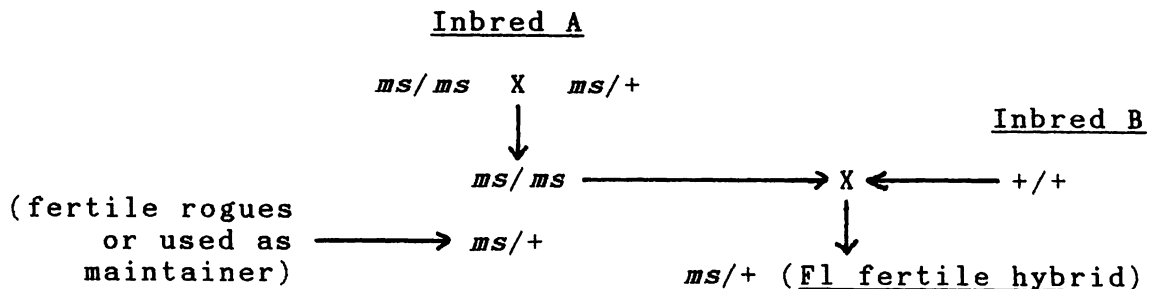
2. S1S1 X S2S2



3. S1S1 X S2S2



Male sterility controlled by recessive *ms* genes may be used to produce F1 hybrids. Fertiles, occurring at approximately the 50% level in the stocks, are rogued from inbreds which are maintained through backcrossing.



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**GENOMIC DESIGNATIONS OF VARIETAL OR SUBSPECIFIC TAXA OF
 AGRICULTURALLY IMPORTANT BRASSICAS AND RADISH.**

<i>Brassica</i> sp. (n)	ssp. or var.	2N genome descriptor	Common name
<i>nigra</i> (8)	---	bb	black mustard
<i>oleracea</i> (9)	---	cc	cole crops
	<i>acephala</i>	cc.a	kales
	<i>alboglabra</i>	cc.al	Chinese kale, Kailan
	<i>botrytis</i>	cc.b	cauliflower, heading broccoli
	<i>capitata</i>	cc.c	cabbage
	<i>costata</i>	cc.co	Portuguese cabbage
	<i>gemmifera</i>	cc.g	brussel sprouts
	<i>gongylodes</i>	cc.go	kohl rabi
	<i>italica</i>	cc.i	broccoli, calabrese
	<i>medullosa</i>	cc.m	marrow stem kale
	<i>palmifolia</i>	cc.p	kale (Jersey kale)
	<i>ramosa</i>	cc.ra	thousand-head kale
	<i>sabauda</i>	cc.s	savoy cabbage
	<i>sabellica</i>	cc.sa	collards
	<i>selensia</i>	cc.se	borecole
<i>campestris</i> (10) syn. <i>rapa</i>	---	aa	---
	<i>chinensis</i>	aa.c	pak choi
	<i>narinosa</i>	aa.na	---
	<i>nipposinica</i>	aa.n	---
	<i>oleifera</i>	aa.o	turnip rape, toria
	<i>parachinensis</i>	aa.pa	choy sum
	<i>pekinensis</i>	aa.p	Chinese cabbage, petsai
	<i>perviridis</i>	aa.pe	tendergreen, komatsuna, mustard spinach
	<i>rapifera</i>	aa.r	turnip
	<i>trilocularis</i>	aa.t	sarson
	<i>utilis</i>	aa.u	---
<i>carinata</i> (17)	---	bbcc	Ethiopian mustard
<i>juncea</i> (18)	---	aa.bb	---
	<i>capitata</i>	aabb.c	head mustard
	<i>crispifolia</i>	aabb.cr	cut leaf mustard
	<i>faciliflora</i>	aabb.f	broccoli mustard
	<i>lapitata</i>	aabb.l	large petiole mustard
	<i>multiceps</i>	aabb.m	multishoot mustard

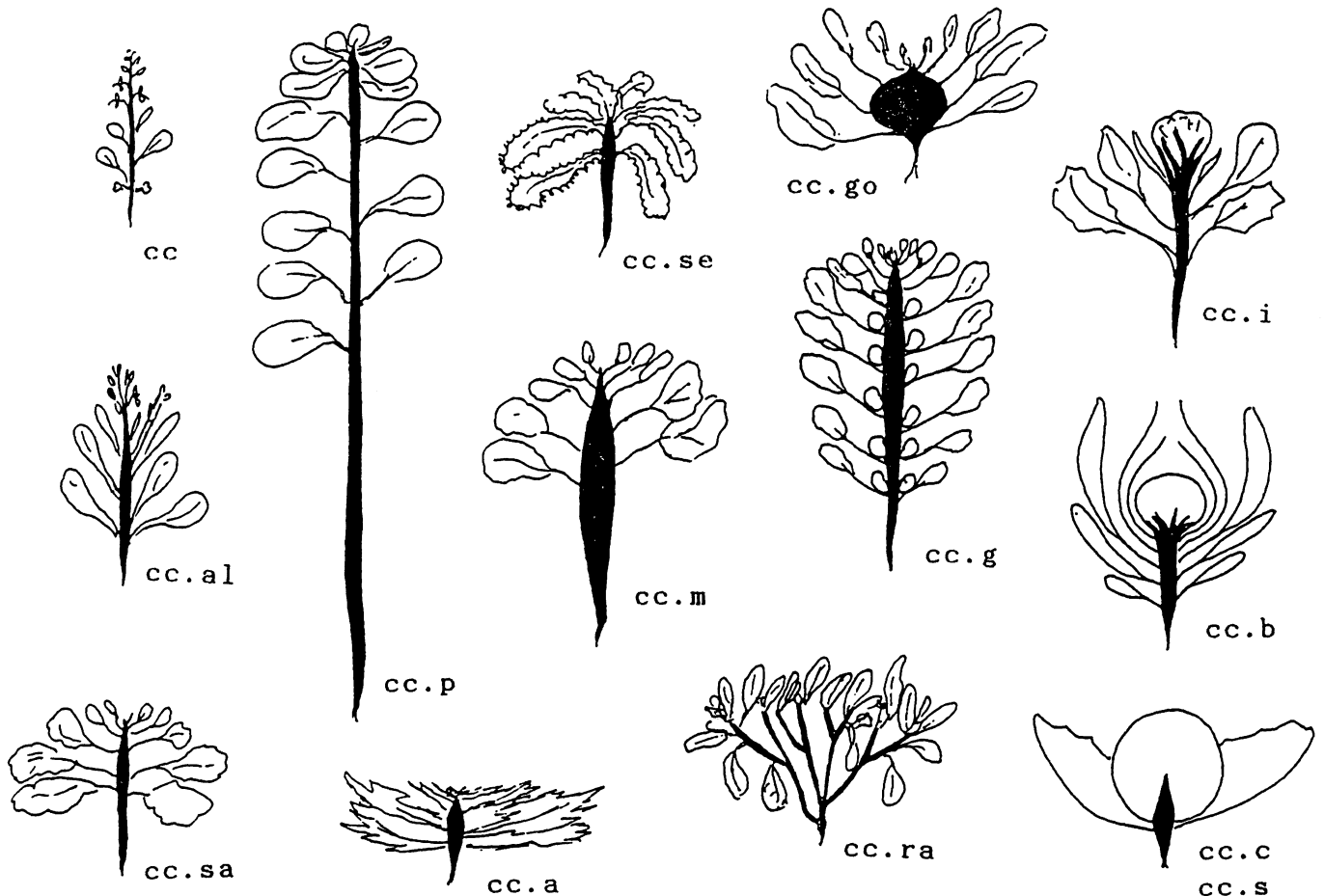
	<i>oleifera</i>	aabb.o	oil seed mustard, raya
	<i>rapifera</i>	aabb.r	root mustard
	<i>rugosa</i>	aabb.ru	leaf mustard
	<i>spicea</i>	aabb.sp	mustard
	<i>tsa-tsai</i>	aabb.t	big stem mustard
<i>napus</i> (19)	---	aacc	fodder rape
	<i>oleifera</i>	aacc.o	oil rape
	<i>rapifera</i>	aacc.r	swede, rutabaga
<i>Raphanus</i>	---	rr	radish
<i>sativus</i> (9)	<i>radicola</i>	rr.r	radish, dikon
	<i>oleifera</i>	rr.o	oil radish
	<i>caudatus</i>	rr.c	rat tail radish

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MORPHOTYPES OF VARIETAL TAXA OF *BRASSICA OLERACEA* (Ccc)

Variety	Genome	Common Name
<i>acephala</i>	cc.a	kales
<i>alboglabra</i>	cc.al	Chinese kale, Kailan
<i>botrytis</i>	cc.b	cauliflower, heading broccoli
<i>capitata</i>	cc.c	cabbage
<i>costata</i>	cc.co	Portuguese cabbage
<i>gemmifera</i>	cc.g	brussel sprouts
<i>gongylodes</i>	cc.go	kohl rabi
<i>italica</i>	cc.i	broccoli, calabrese
<i>medullosa</i>	cc.m	marrow stem kale
<i>oleracea</i>	cc	CrGC-3 base population, RC
<i>palmifolia</i>	cc.p	kale (Jersey kale)
<i>ramosa</i>	cc.ra	thousand-head kale
<i>sabauda</i>	cc.s	savoy cabbage
<i>sabellica</i>	cc.sa	collards
<i>selensia</i>	cc.se	borecole



MORPHOTYPES OF SUBSPECIFIC TAXA OF *BRASSICA CAMPESTRIS* (Aaa)
 (SYN. *RAPA*)

Subspecies	Genome	Common Name
<i>campestris</i>	aa	CrGC-1, rapid cycling base population
<i>chinensis</i>	aa.c	pak choi
<i>narinosa</i>	aa.na	---
<i>nipposinica</i>	aa.n	---
<i>oleifera</i>	aa.o	turnip rape, toria
<i>parachinensis</i>	aa.pa	choy sum
<i>pekinensis</i>	aa.p	Chinese cabbage, petsai
<i>perviridis</i>	aa.pe	tendergreen, komatsuna, mustard spinach
<i>rapifera</i>	aa.r	turnip
<i>trilocularis</i>	aa.t	sarson
<i>utilis</i>	aa.u	---

