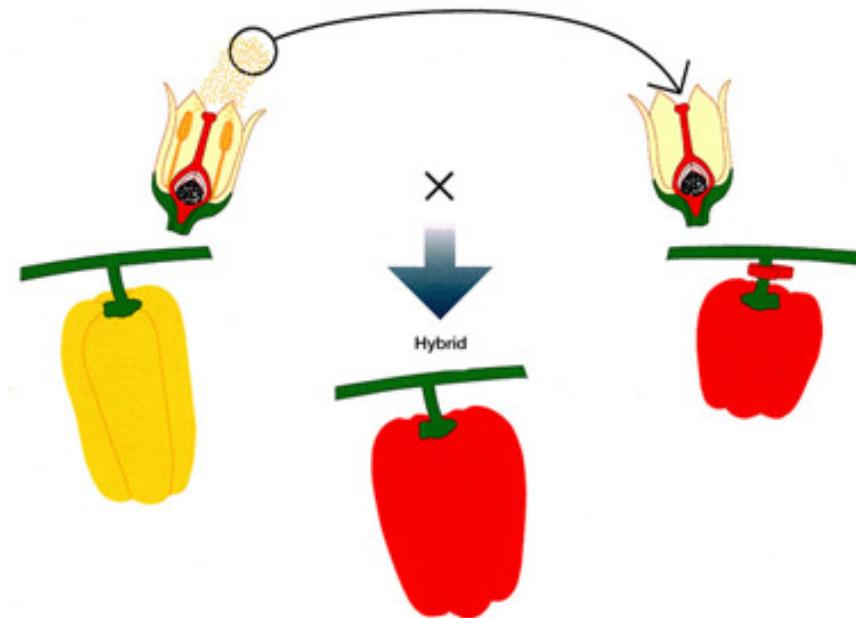


Developing a Cereal Fertility Pipeline (CerFip) for wheat and barley



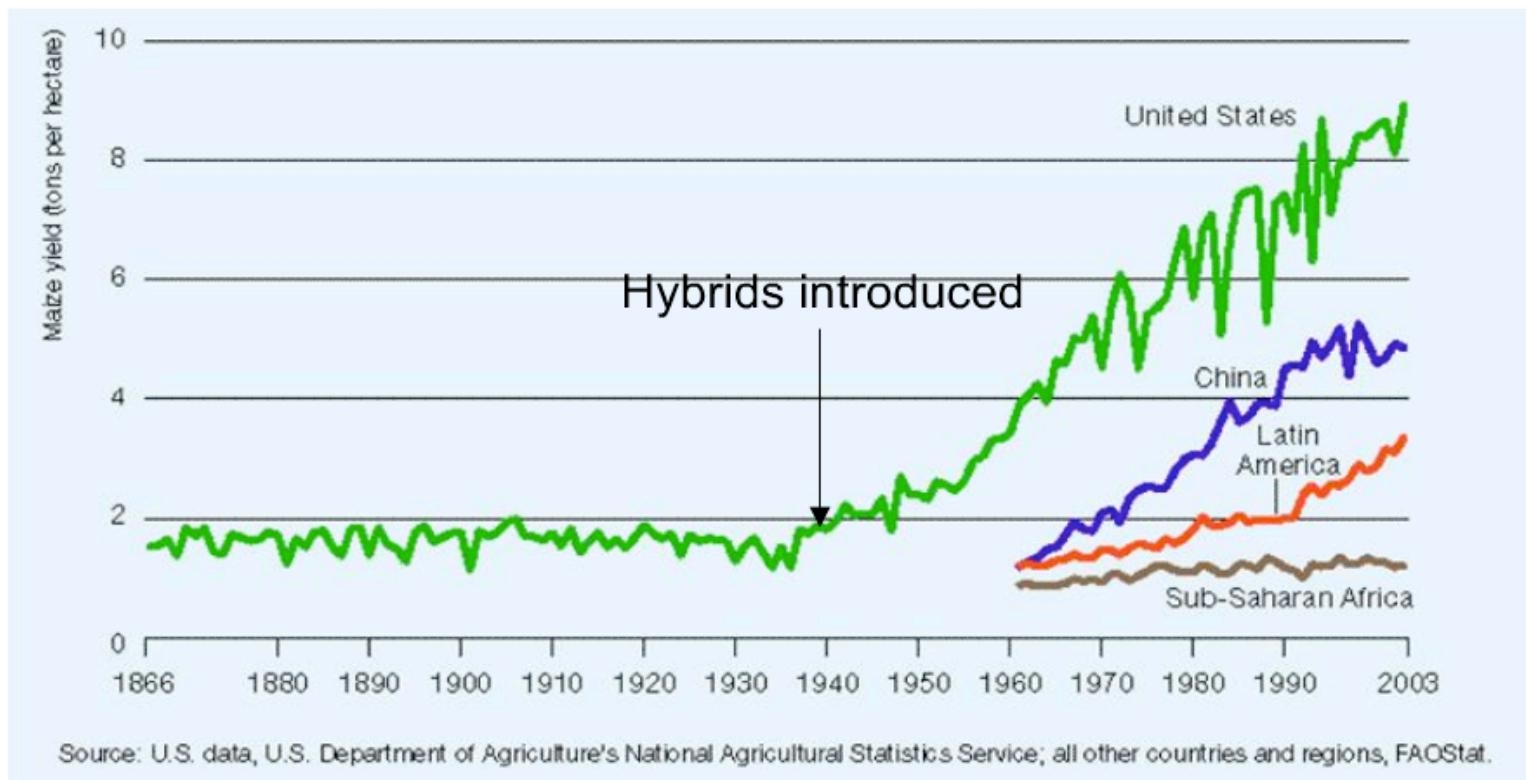
Commercial importance crop breeding.

- F1 Hybrid production
 - Seed set
 - Control of pollen and release of GM plants
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- Hybrids more vigorous 20-30% more yield
 - Hybrid seed production technology- Rice: 50 man-days/ha more labor than normal rice cultivation
 - Hybrid seed production
 - cytoplasmic
 - environmentally sensitive genetic male sterility in “seed” line
 - gametocides

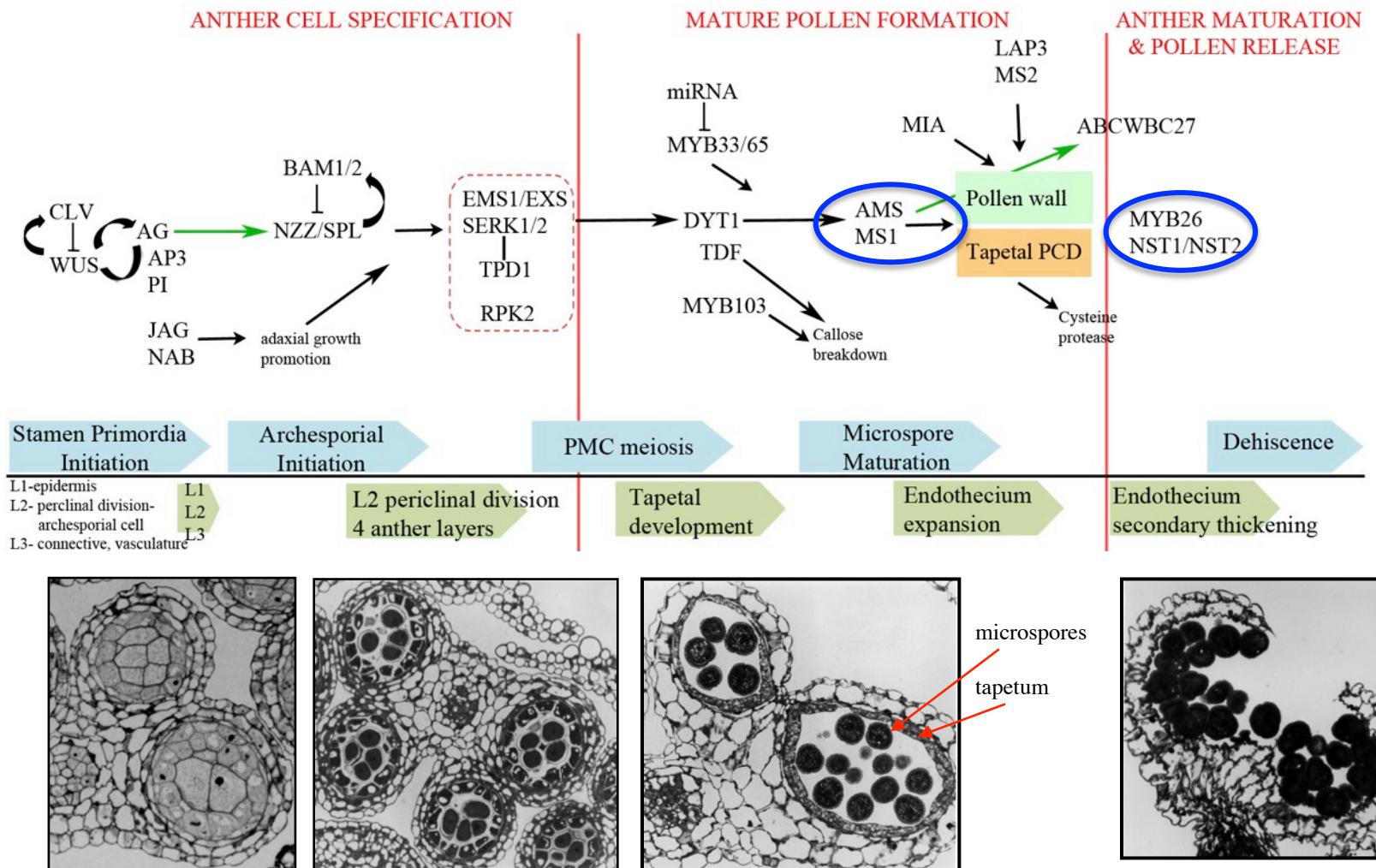


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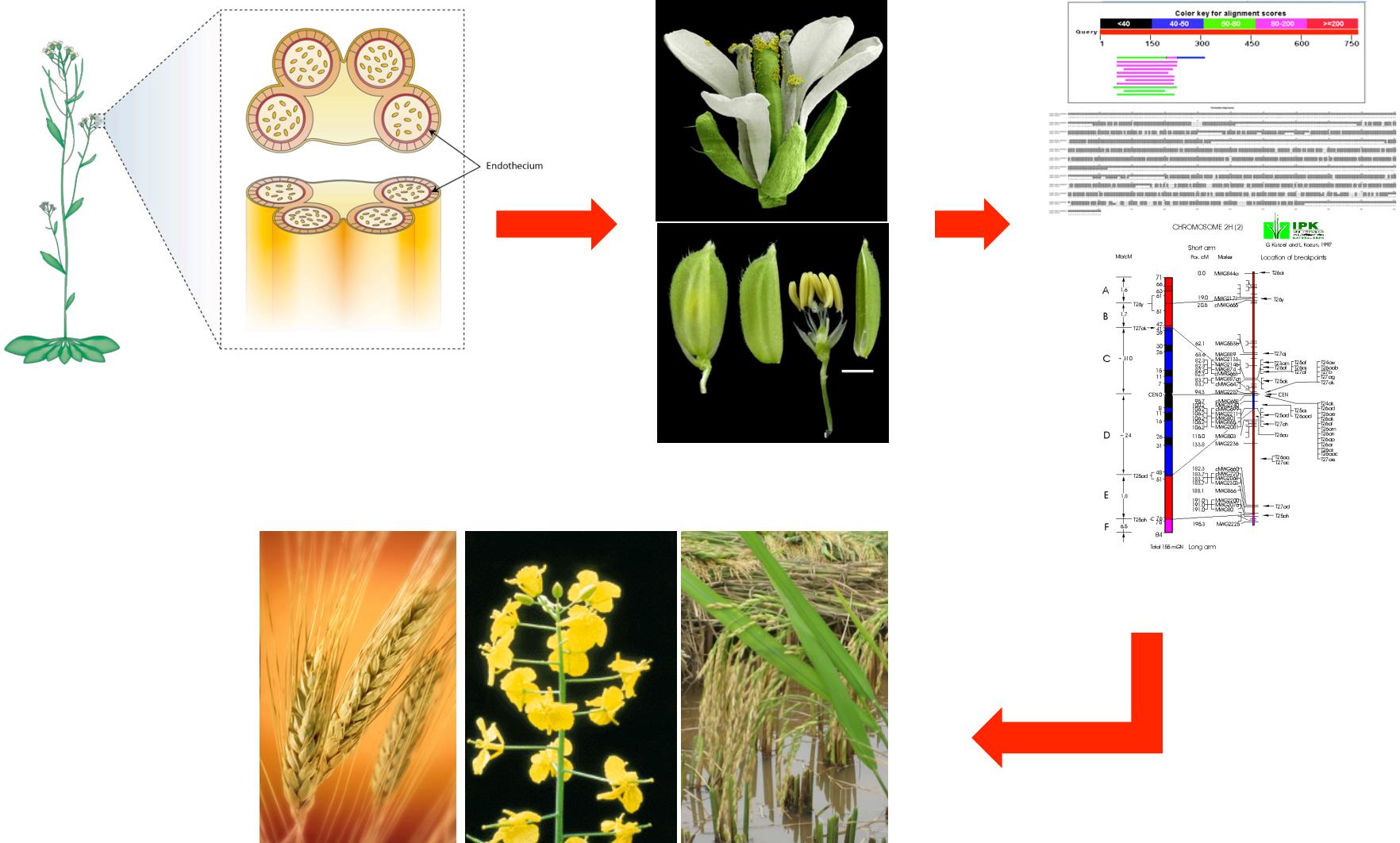
Changes in maize yield ($t \text{ ha}^{-1}$) in USA, China, Latin America and SSA over time



Arabidopsis Pollen Development Pathway

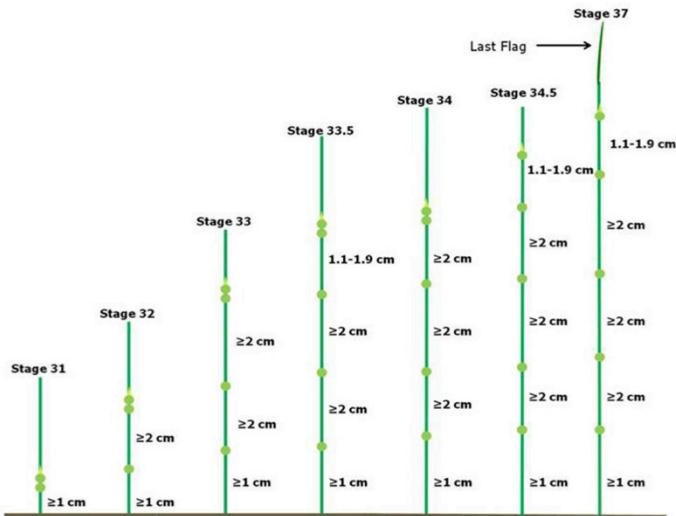


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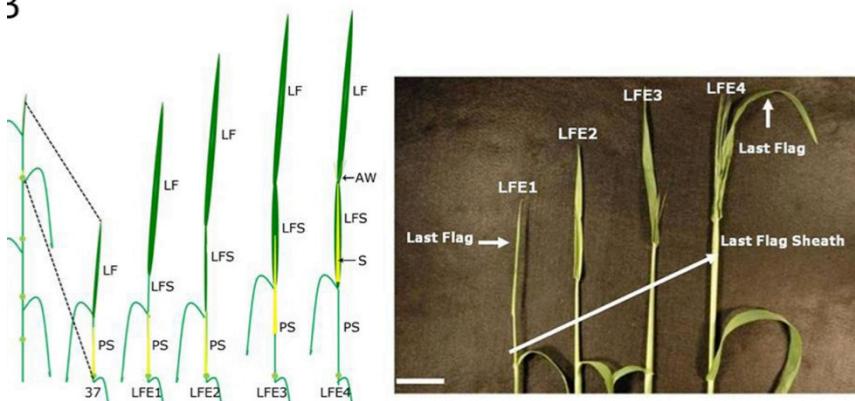


Non-Destructive Staging of Barley Reproductive Development

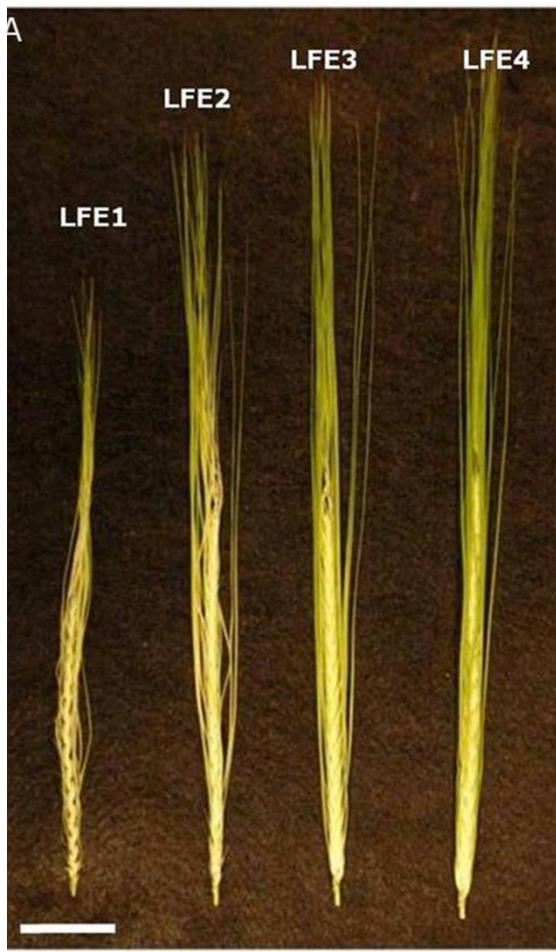
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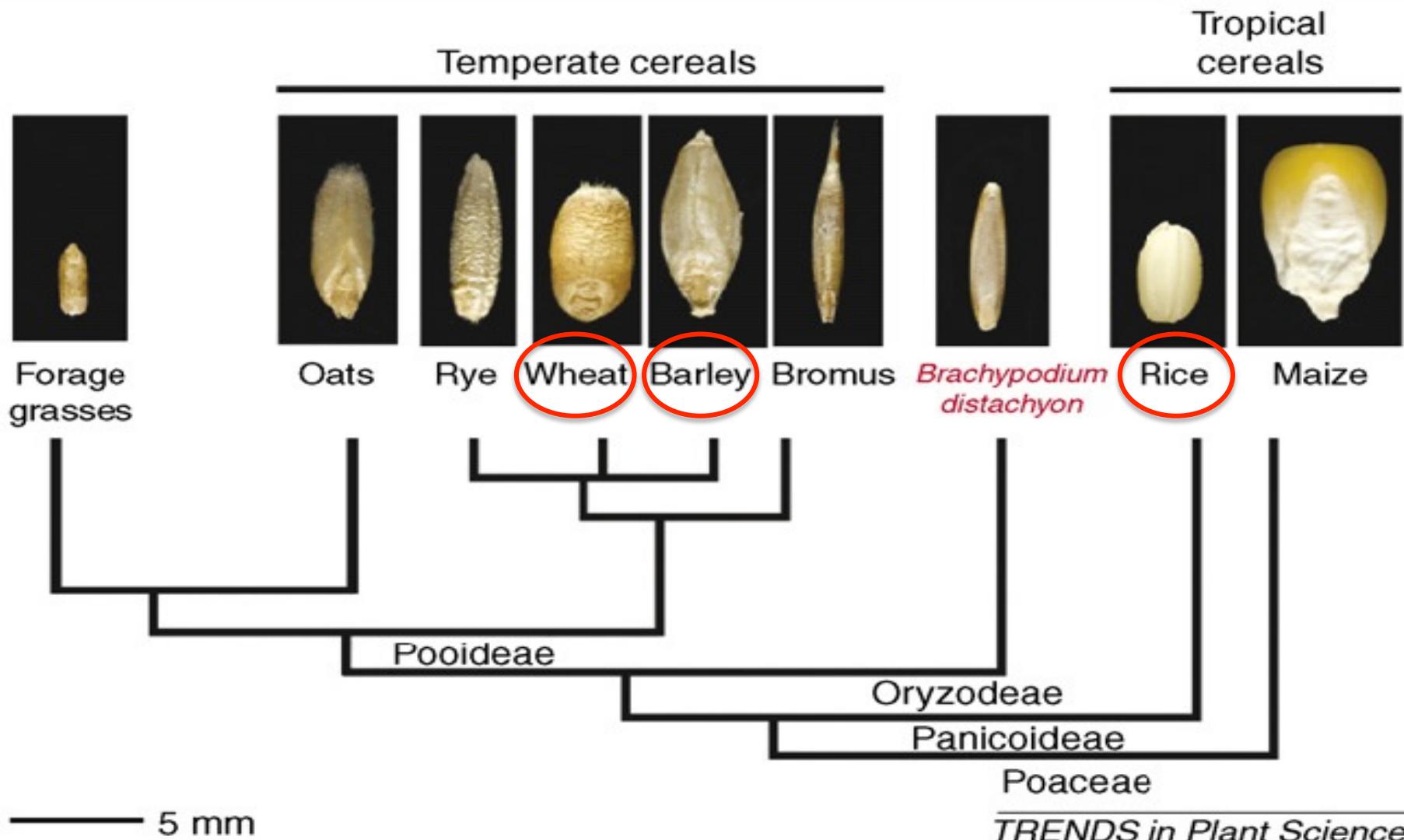
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Brachypodium Model Plant



CerFip: Objectives

- To establish a pipeline for the transfer of intellectual understanding of gene regulation from the *Arabidopsis* and rice models into cereals.
- To characterise traits and develop germplasm for controlling male fertility in cereals, by applying knowledge from model plants to temperate cereals, for application in breeding programs.
- To develop inducible systems for switchable plant fertility for application in hybrid development.

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