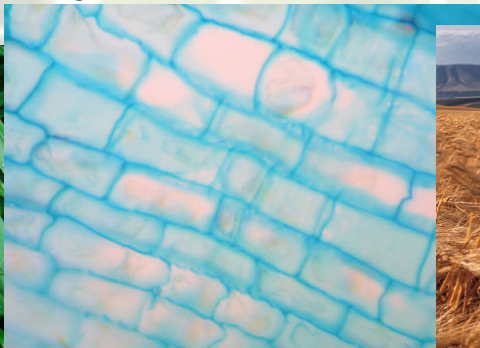


Welcome to the Quantitative Trait Loci (QTL) Tutorial

This tutorial will describe how to navigate the section of Gramene that provides information on Quantitative Trait Loci (QTL). QTL are a statistical creation that identifies a particular region of the genome as containing a gene (or genes) that is associated with the trait being assayed or measured.



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Action Options are noted in this type of font.

Notes or comments use this style font.

Trait Categories in Trait Ontology

Traits at Gramene are identified by Trait Ontology (TO), and are categorized according to:

Abiotic stress: Traits related to stresses from abiotic environment, e.g., water, light, temperature, or chemical.

Anatomy: Traits directly measuring plant parts such as root, stem or leaf.

Biochemical: Biochemical and physiological traits, e.g., enzyme activity.

Biotic stress: Traits related to stresses from pests and pathogens.

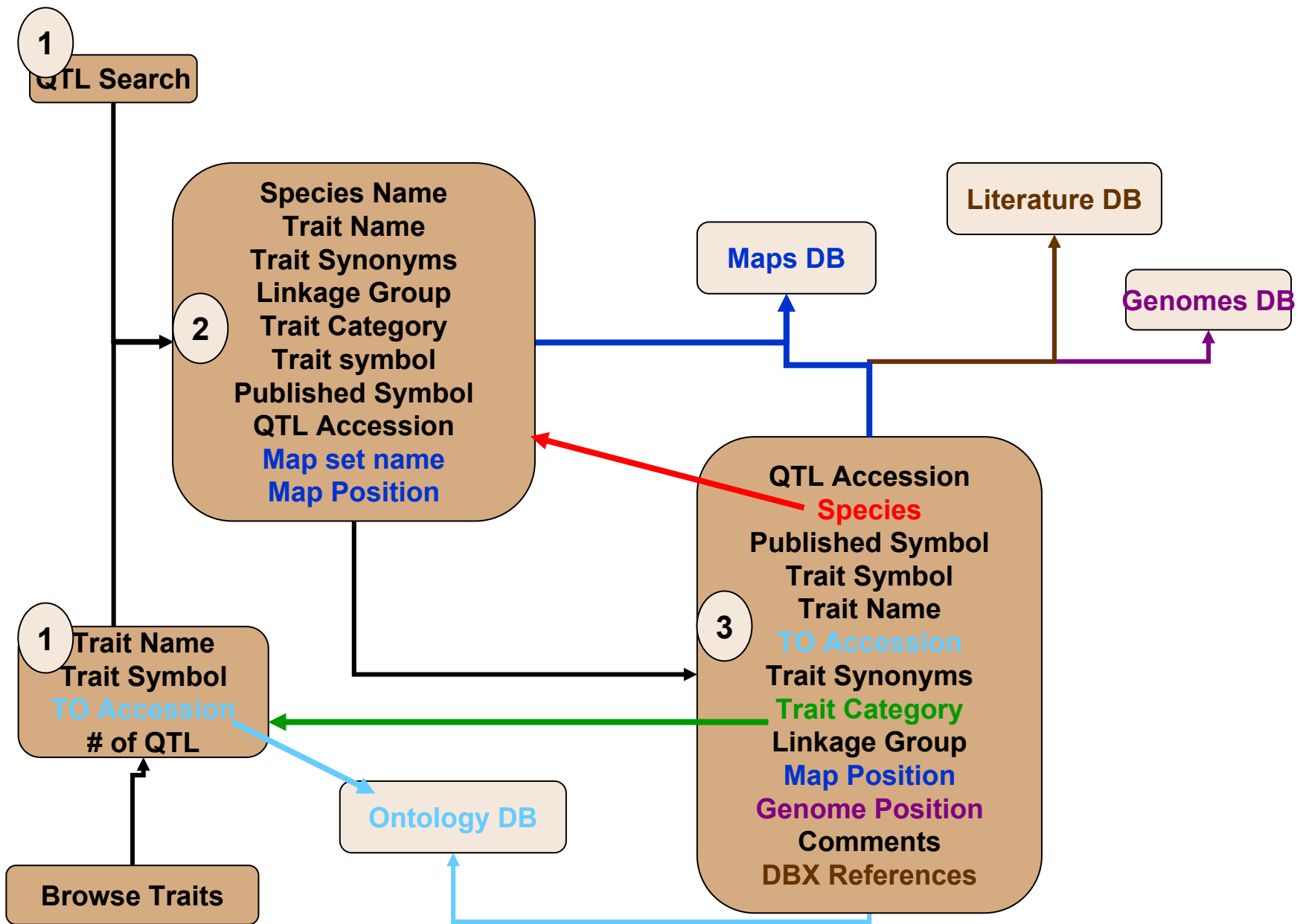
Development: Traits related to plant and plant part development. Also includes maturity related traits.

Quality: Traits of economic importance that may affect product quality.

Sterility or fertility: Traits related to male and female flower sterility or fertility, including incompatibility.

Vigor: Traits related to growth and dormancy.

Yield: Traits contributing directly to yield based on economic value.





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Gramene QTL Database

QTL Quick Search:

Quantitative Trait Loci are essentially a statistical creation that identifies a particular region of the genome as containing a gene (or genes) that is associated with the trait being assayed or measured. They are shown as intervals along a chromosome where the probability of association is plotted for each marker used in the mapping experiment.

The Gramene QTL database contains a total of 10,147 QTLs identified for numerous agronomic traits in rice, maize, barley, oat, pearl millet, foxtail millet, and sorghum. The emphasis is on presenting information on a mapped trait and the mapped locus on a genetic map.

Click here for a **simple search** by trait or term

QTL database. For more information, see the [help page](#).

For answers to **FAQ**,
click here



Click here for **help files**



The user can search the QTL database by typing a query and restricting the search by any one or all of the following. Use the symbol * for wildcards.

- Trait name (e.g. [Seed color](#), [Aluminum sensitivity](#), [Days to heading](#))
- Trait symbol (e.g. SDCL, ALSN, DTHD)
- Trait category
 - [Abiotic stress](#) | [Anatomy](#) | [Biochemical](#) | [Biotic stress](#) | [Development](#) | [Disease resistance](#) | [Flowering time](#) | [Fruit quality or fertility](#) | [Vigor](#) | [Yield](#)
- Linkage group (e.g. 1, 2, 10, 12)
- Published QTL symbol (e.g. qTLTS2-1, qNSB2-1)
- QTL accession ID (e.g. [AQ1007](#), [CQU7](#))
- Species (e.g. rice, maize)

Acknowledgements:

We acknowledge the numerous authors of rice and maize QTL publications who have made this database possible.

Click here to do a
comprehensive search for
multiple traits or terms

This database is a way of personal communication..



1. Simple Search: by Trait

Click a trait to **browse QTL** in that trait category

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QTL Search

Search by Trait Category:

[Abiotic stress](#) | [Anatomy](#) | [Biochemical](#) | [Biotic stress](#) | [Development](#) | [Quality](#) | [Sterility or fertility](#) | [Vigor](#) | [Yield](#)












OR

Search for *: * eg, develop

Search in:

Species:

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1. Search by trait name, symbol or category, chromosome #, QTL symbol or accession ID. Wildcard searches include the * (i.e. seed*)

2. Limit search by term field. Default searches all fields.

3. Limit search by species if desired.

4. Click submit.



Simple Search: Browse by Trait Ontology

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QTL Search

Search by Trait Category:

[Abiotic stress](#) | [Anatomy](#) | [Biochemical](#) | [Biotic stress](#) | [Development](#) | [Quality](#) | [Sterility or fertility](#) | [Vigor](#) | [Yield](#)

OR

Search for *:

Search in:

Species:

—All Fields—

—All Species—

eg, development, vegetative*, VGTM, QTL*, AQEZ

There were 17 traits found under the category "Development."

Click on the column titles to view a sorted display list.

Items 1 to 17 of 17

Trait Name	Trait Symbol	TO Accession	Number of QTL
albino plantlet differentiation frequency	ALBPTLDFQ	TO:0000464	1
anthesis silking interval	ANTSKIT	TO:0000463	65
basic vegetative phase	BAVEGPH	TO:0000461	4
days to flower	DTFL	TO:0000344	103
days to heading	DTHD	TO:0000137	695
days to maturity	DTMT	TO:0000469	28
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000658	50
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000629	8
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000359	20
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000360	9
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000249	1
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000365	1
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000659	1
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000366	1
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000368	1
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000661	1
days to seedling emergence	DTSLE	TO:0000369	19

A. Click on Trait Name to view all the QTL detected for this trait

B. Click to view trait summary from the Ontology Database See Ontology Tutorial

Number of QTL that are detected for this trait and listed in the QTL database



Results for simple search

There were 4 QTL for "Basic Vegetative Phase."

Click to download **tab delimited results data**

Click on the active link column titles to **sort list by that column**

Click to go to **QTL Detail Page (slide 10)**

Click to view **position location on map (slide 12)**

Note: Results from all search options display this table format

Click to go to **Map Set Info (see Maps tutorial)**

QTL Search

Search by Trait Category:

Abiotic stress | Anatomical | Chemical | Biotic stress | Development | Quality | Sterility or fertility | Vigor | Yield

OR

Search for *: BAVEGPH

Link in: Trait Symbol

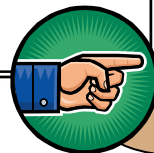
Species: -All Species-

Submit Reset

Items 1 to 4 of 4

[Download Data]

Species Name	Trait Name	Trait Synonyms	Linkage Group	Trait Category	Trait Symbol	Published Symbol	QTL Accession ID	Map	Position
Rice	basic vegetative phase	NA	1	Development	BAVEGPH	NA	AQF087	Rice-JNIG W1944/Peik QTL 2002-1	0.00-28.20 cM
Rice	basic vegetative phase	NA					AQF088	Rice-JNIG W1944/Peik QTL 2002-1	28.20-267.70 cM
Rice	basic vegetative	NA					AQF089	Rice-JNIG W1944/Peik QTL 2002-1	





QTL Detail

QTL symbol as assigned in the publication cited

Gramene-assigned QTL accession ID

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Details for QTL "AQF087" (basic vegetative phase)

QTL Accession ID	AQF087
Species	Rice (GR_tax:013681)
Assigned Symbol	NA
Trait Symbol	BAVEGPH
Trait Name	basic vegetative phase
Accession:	TO:0000461
Ontology Category	Development
Linkage Group	1
Map Position	Rice-JNIG W1944/Peik QTL 2002-1 (0.00-28.20 cM) [View On Map]
Genome Positions	View All Genome Positions
Annotations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chromosome 1: 3,443,741 - 3,445,403
DBXRef	<p>Related with heading behavior.</p> <p>Gramene Cai-W Morishima-H, QTL clusters reflect changes in heading associations in wild and cultivated rice, Literature Theoretical and applied genetics, 104, 2002, p. 28</p>

Gramene-assigned standardized trait symbol; Click to view all QTL with this symbol

Linkage group (chromosome) QTL has been mapped to; Click to view all QTL on this chromosome

Map set name

Click to view position on Map (see Map Tutorial) (see slide 12)

Click to view literature for citations (See Literature Tutorial)

Click to view all places this QTL has been mapped to on the genome

Click to view QTL on genome browser. (see genomes tutorial)

Ontology category (slide 8) and accession (slide 11) QTL belongs to. See [Ontology Tutorial](#)



Trait Ontology (TO) Accession

Summary for TO Term: *basic vegetative phase* (TO:0000461)

Term Name	basic vegetative phase
Synonym	BAVEGPH.
Derivation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• trait ontology (TO:0000387) #9160 +<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ [i] growth and development trait (TO:0000357) #2351 +<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ [i] vegetative growth time (TO:0000369) #23 +<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ [i] basic vegetative phase (TO:0000461) #4
Parent Term (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• [i] vegetative growth time (TO:0000369)
Total Number of Annotations:	4 objects, 4 associations
QTL:	4 oryza sativa QTL

“Basic vegetative phase” is an example of “vegetative growth time”, which is a growth and development trait.

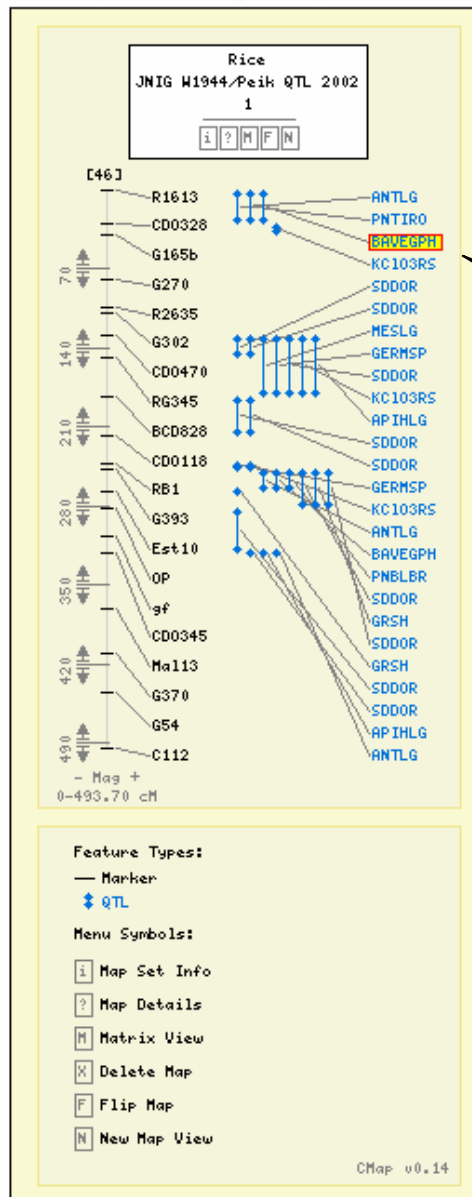
Number of associations this term has to the database. In this case, they are all QTL

See Ontology Tutorial for more information on ontology





Map Position



QTL map shows QTL trait symbols as features. Click on any feature to view more information about that feature. See [Maps tutorial](#) for more information.



3. Power Search

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To construct a comprehensive query, select **criteria to include** in your search

To construct a comprehensive query, select **criteria to exclude** in your search

QTL Power Search

Include

Exclude

Trait Names:

Seed dormancy (SDDOR)
Seed fertility (SDFRT)
Seed length (SDLG)
Seed length to width ratio (SDLGWDRO)
Seed longevity (SDLNG)

100-grain weight (HGRWT)
100-seed weight (HSDWT)
1000-grain weight (TGRWT)
1000-seed weight (TSDWT)
Abaxial stomatal frequency (ABXSTOFQ)

Species:

Pearl millet
Rice
Tetraploid wheat
Wheat
Wild rice

Barley
Foxtail millet
Maize
Oat
Pearl millet

Linkage Groups: 1

10, 11, 12

You may indicate multiple traits, species, and linkage groups to include or exclude.
Hold the "Control" or "Command" key to select traits and species,
and separate linkage groups with spaces or commas, e.g., "1, 11 7H."

Submit

Reset

Clear Form

To **select multiple trait names** or species, hold "Control" (or "Command" on Mac) key while selecting multiple traits.

Click to submit

Note: Results from all search options display the same table format. See **Slide 9** for results navigation.

QTL Help

Tutorial link offers three tutorial formats – PowerPoint, PDF or HTML.

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Gramene QTL Database

Click for Frequently Asked Questions (next slide.)

Release Notes:

The Gramene QTL database includes trait and position information (Phase-1) of rice, maize, barley, oat, pearl millet, foxtail millet and wild rice QTL reported in peer reviewed publications. More detailed data (Phase-2) of the QTL will be available in the near future.

A significant improvement in this release is the integration of rice QTL to the rice genome. Following the protocol developed in our database, 5,416 rice QTL with directly associated markers on the genome have been anchored to the rice genome. This will allow users to access a specific genome region corresponding to a QTL or to browse QTL by searching for traits on the rice genome browser.

Species	QTL	Note
Rice (Oryza)	7,578	QTL reported from 1994-April 2005.
Maize (Zea mays)	1,681	QTL imported from MaizeGDB and QTL curated in Gramene for drought related traits.
Barley (Hordeum vulgare)	105	QTL was originally curated by GrainGenes.
Oat (Avena sativa)	375	QTL was originally curated by GrainGenes.
Wheat (Triticum aestivum)	10	QTL was originally curated by GrainGenes.
Tetraploid wheat (Triticum turgidum)	8	QTL was originally curated by GrainGenes.
Pearl millet (Pennisetum glaucum)	284	QTL from available public resources.
Foxtail millet (Setaria italica)	65	QTL from available public resources.
Wild rice (Zizania palustris)	41	
Total	10,147	

QTL help file show database summary, description of terms, and search help.

Help Document:

The database provides the following types of information on a QTL:

- ♦ **QTL:** A quantitative trait locus.
- ♦ **QTL accession ID:** The Gramene QTL accession ID is unique for each QTL.
- ♦ **Trait name:** The name of the trait for which the QTL was detected.
- ♦ **Trait symbol:** A standardized abbreviation for the trait assigned by Gramene curators. The symbol is displayed as a QTL feature name in maps.
- ♦ **Trait synonym(s):** Other names for the trait.
- ♦ **Trait category:** Each trait belongs to a parent trait category. These are assigned by agronomic importance.
 - **Abiotic stress:** Traits related to stresses from abiotic environment e.g. water, light, temperature, or chemical

FAQ

The screenshot shows the Gramene FAQ web interface. At the top is a green navigation bar with links: Search, Genomes, Download, Resources, About, Help, and Feedback. The main content area is titled "Gramene FAQ" and contains several sections. On the left, there is a sidebar with a list of subcategories: Maps and CMap, BLAST, Proteins, Ontologies, Genomes, Markers, QTL, Genes, Literature, Data Curation, Gramene Program, Diversity, GrameneMart, and Pathways. The main content area includes a search bar, a list of FAQ entries, and a section for submitting a question. Callouts are present: "Submit a question to Gramene" points to the "New Answer in 'Gramene FAQ'" link; "Select module for FAQ" points to the "QTL" subcategory; and "Search FAQ by keyword" points to the search bar. The interface also includes various editing links like "[Edit This Text]", "[Duplicate This Text]", and "[Remove This Text]".

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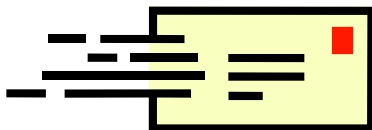
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