Introduction to the Sweetpotato (SP) Database Infrastructure









Purpose & Goals

- Efficient storage of all SP breeding data
- Trial data, phenotypic and genotypic information, metadata
- Incorporate analysis tools
- Easy querying: Slice data by year, location, program, etc.
- Enable new, genome-based breeding methods



Rony Swennen's banana breeding notebooks on their way to Belgium

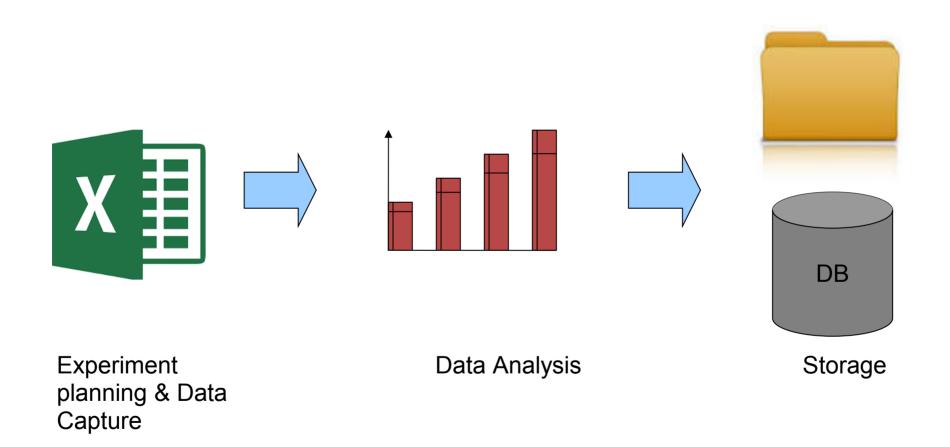
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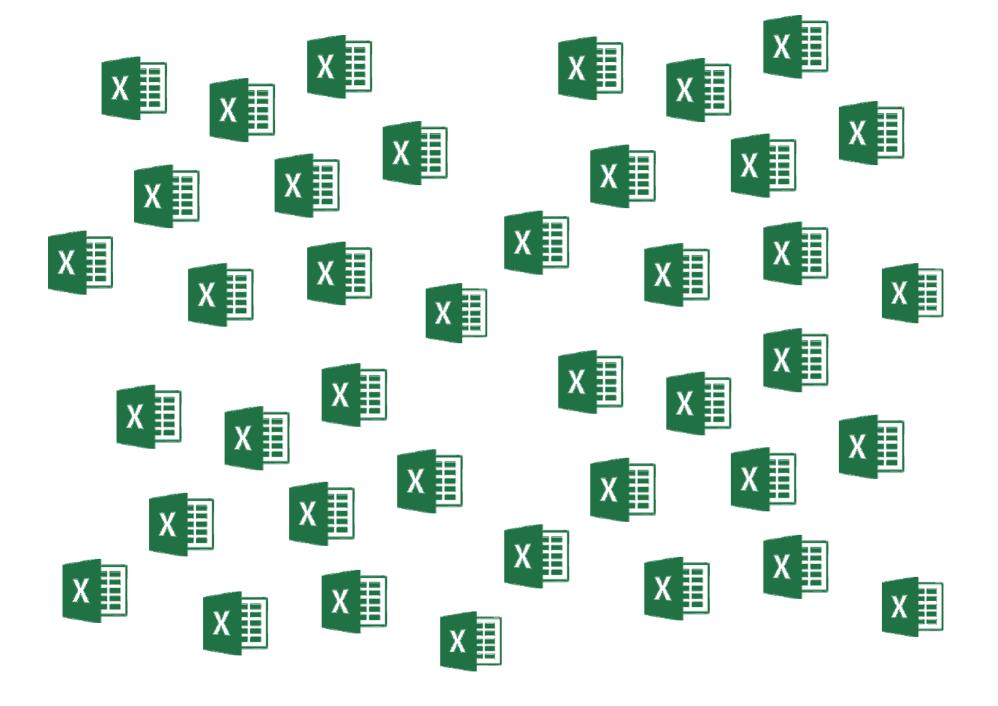




Excel-based data management







Data Management with Excel

- ⊾ Easy to use
- User has complete control
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Data Analysis difficult across sheets

- □ Data Integrity
- Becomes difficult to manage for large datasets
- □ Difficult to manage genotyping information



Data management using the "cloud"

- Most data is managed using the web
 - Youtube for videos
 - Google for documents
 - Flickr, iCloud etc. for photos
 - Twitter for status updates
 - etc.
- What about breeding data?

Data Infrastructure

Main Datastore

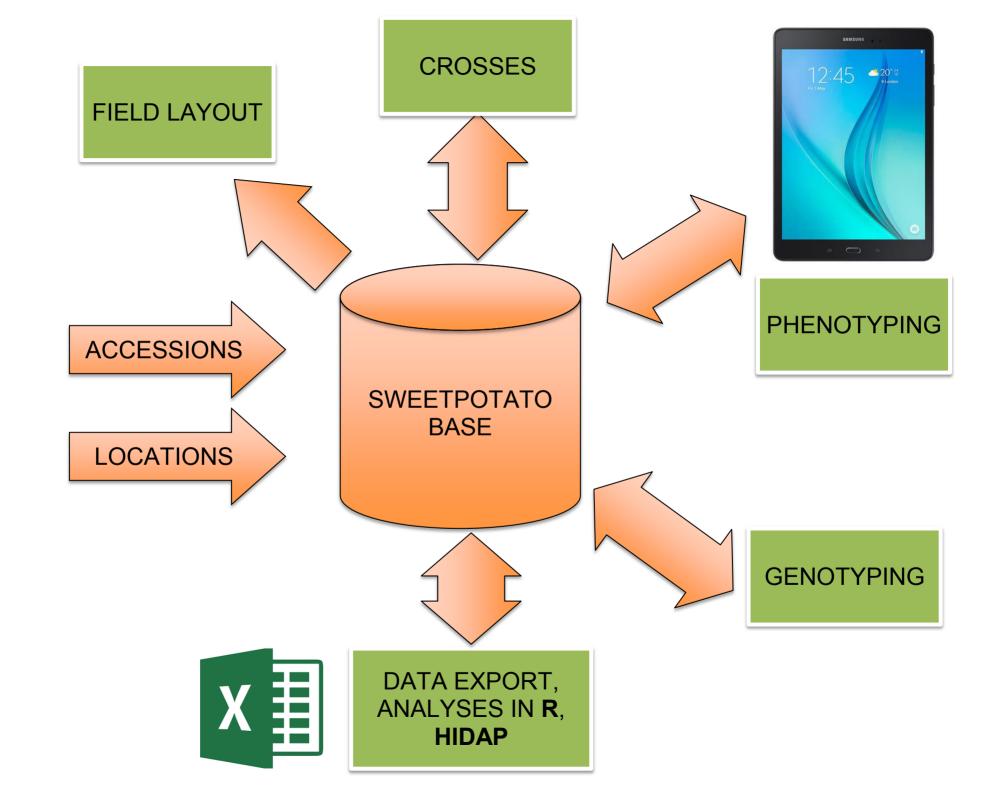
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Analysis (integrated with sweetpotatobase)

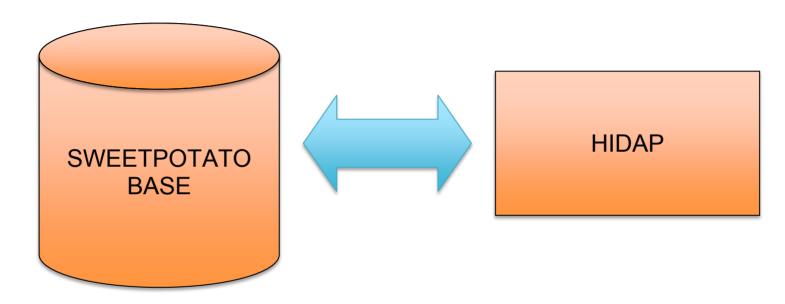
http://hidap.sgn.cornell.edu/

Data Collection

- Android FieldBook App
- AccuDataLogger



BrAPI



- The Breeding API
 - Application Programming Interface
- Standardized way to exchange breeding data between applications over the internet
- http://brapi.org/

Database Requirements

Standardization of

- Trait dictionary and measurement procedures
 - Ontologies (Reinhard)
- Naming of plant accessions

Genotyping data

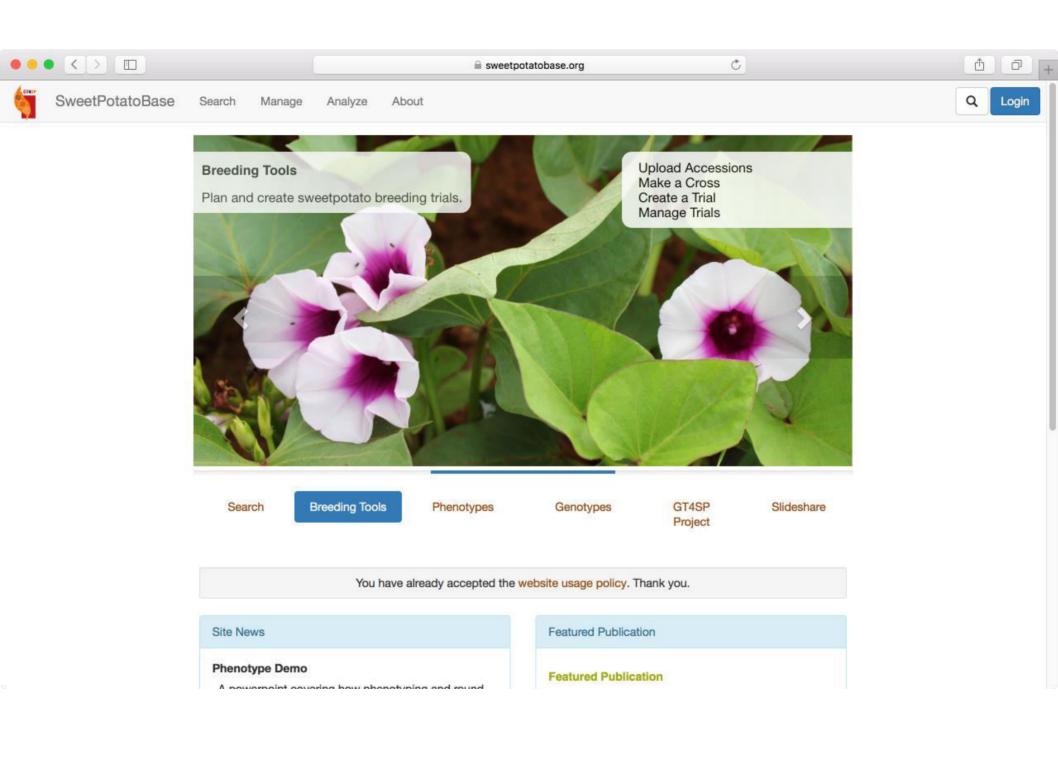
- Can be extremely voluminous data
 - (GBS, etc)
- Must be integrated with phenotypic data
- For Cassavabase, already 1.5 billion data points
- Hard to manage without a database

Data Security on the Web

- Data protected by logins
- Different levels of user access privileges
- Regular on-site and off-site backups

Open Data Policy

- Data on Sweetpotatobase are open
- Need a user account to download
- Downloads are tracked by account





https://solgenomics.net

https://cassavabase.org







https://github.com/solgenomics

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"Cloud" approach

- Easy to use through a web browser
- No software installation necessary
 Software is continuously updated
- All data automatically integrated

 Query over several years, locations, etc. possible
- Integrates phenotypic with genotypic data

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