

## **Gliadin Analysis for Identification of 1BL/1RS Wheat-Rye Translocations and for Assessment of Protein Patterns in Aluminium Tolerant Genotypes**

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Wheats with 1BL/1RS wheat-rye translocation chromosome have been used to transfer genes for enhanced agronomic performance from rye to wheat (Zeller, 1973; William et al., 1992). Associated with 1RS chromosome are several disease resistance traits (MacIntosh, 1983). In our previous is established that translocated wheats are more tolerant to toxic aluminium (Stoyanova et al., 2000). However 1BL/1RS wheat-rye translocated genotypes have been announced about for a long time and widespread little is known for their survival under unfavourable Al concentration.

This study is designed to evaluate the specific inhibition of root growth induced by toxic Al and its association with gliadin spectra of translocated or non-translocated wheats.

## Materials and Methods

**Germplasm.** A total of 58 wheat accessions are evaluated. 10 are received by free-exchange abroad and 48 originated from the Bulgarian breeding programs (10 wheat cultivars and 38 new selected candidate cultivars and lines).

**Electrophoresis.** Gliadins are extracted from single seeds with 70% ethanol and fractionated by acid (pH 3.1) polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (A-PAGE). Gliadin proteins are separated in a 1 mm thin vertical slab, at 5 mA per slot 7 h at 20 °C (Stoyanova, 1991). As a marked for the group of gliadin components 1B3 = 1BL/1RS is used wheat cv. Kavkaz. Wheat cv. Marquis is used to describe the relative mobility (RM) of gliadin components. Electrophoregrams are scanned directly by Epson GT7000 with Corel Photo Haus.

**Root growth.** Seeds of the evaluated cultivars are surface sterilised in 10% calcium hypochlorite and then set 24 h for pre-soaking in distillate water. The imbibed seeds are moved in petry-dishes over moistened filter-paper layers for germination. 48 h old seedlings with uniform primary root are set in 2 cm distance from the upper edge of the fil-

ter-paper rolls (paper size 15x20 cm). Ten seeds in four replicates per case are used for further measurement.

Screening for Al-toxicity is carried out in a media (pH = 4.0) with increasing Al concentrations added to nutrient solution of the following composition (in mM): 4.0 CaCl<sub>2</sub>, 6.5 KNO<sub>3</sub>, 2.5 MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 6H<sub>2</sub>O, 0.12 (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 0.4 NH<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>. The nominal Al concentration in five rates is achieved by adding Al<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub> in the nutrient solution as follow: 0 mM, 0.18 mM, 0.36 mM, 0.72 mM and 1.4 mM.

The wrapped filter rolls with 48 h seedlings are transferred in glasses and dipped in 5 cm of the solution. Root growth is measured 5 days later. The negative effect of aluminium is presented as an index of root growth in different media compared to the growth of non-treated seeds (0 mM).

## Statistics

The differences between treatments are determined by T-test at 5% level of significance.

Gluster analysis (ward's method, Euclidean distances) is done to describe the grouping of wheat genotypes and associations between the gliadin components for which the cumulative frequency is higher than 3.

## Result and Discussion

### *Aluminium tolerance in relation to presence of 1BL/1RS translocation*

The patterns of alcohol-soluble seed protein of the 1BL/1RS translocation are different from those of wheat cultivars/lines without any 1RS-translocation (Figure 1). According to Lawrence and Shepherd (1981) the typical 1RS group of bands which appears in the area of  $\omega$ -gliadins is a product of Sec-1 locus. This group of bands is observed in 19 wheat accessions (Figure 1, Table 1). The A-PAGE allows to distinguish 39 not translocated wheat cultivars or lines. The screening by gliadin patterns is the basis



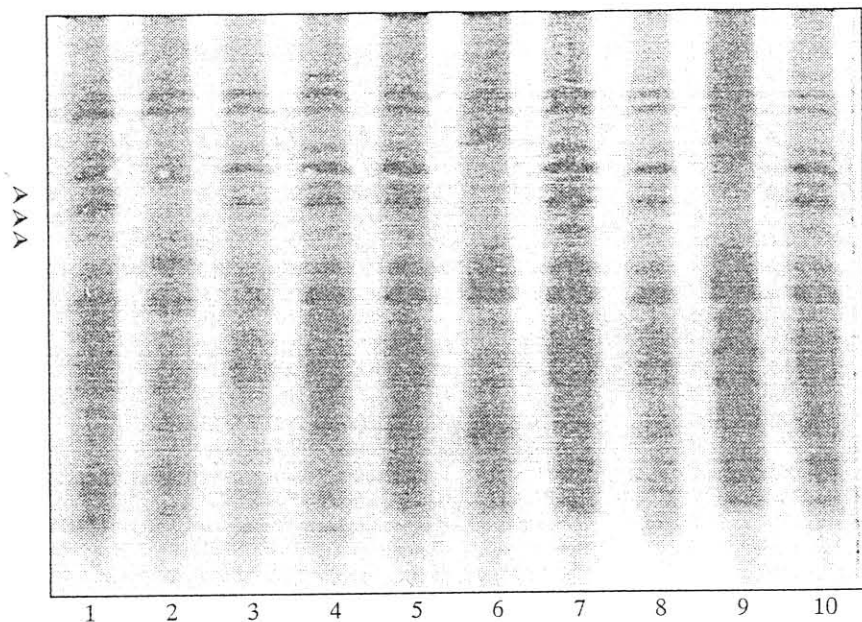


Fig. 1. Gliadin electrophoregrams observed in wheat cultivars by vertical A-PAGE for identification 1BL/1RS translocation (direct scan of the gel). The arrows present the group of  $\omega$ -gliadins (RM25, RM29 and RM33) in cv. Kavkaz (line 1) used as a marker for 1BL/1RS translocation:  
 a) cultivars/lines bearing 1BL/1RS translocations: (3) Alondra "S"; (4) Shabla; (5) D380; (7) K88/Orfei; (8); Yana (10);  
 b) cultivars/lines lacking translocation: (2) Opata 58; (6) Momchil; (9) Sadovo 552;

to separate two genotype groups contrasting by presence of 1BL/1RS translocation.

Further analyses of root growth indexes at a media with increasing concentration of Al show large variation between genotypes. The statistical computation of the data present the mean values and standard deviation between two compared groups (Table 1). The mean values of root growth indexes in four Al-media are higher for genotypes bearing 1BL/1RS translocation however significant differences are confirmed statistically at two media only (0.36 mM and 0.72 mM).

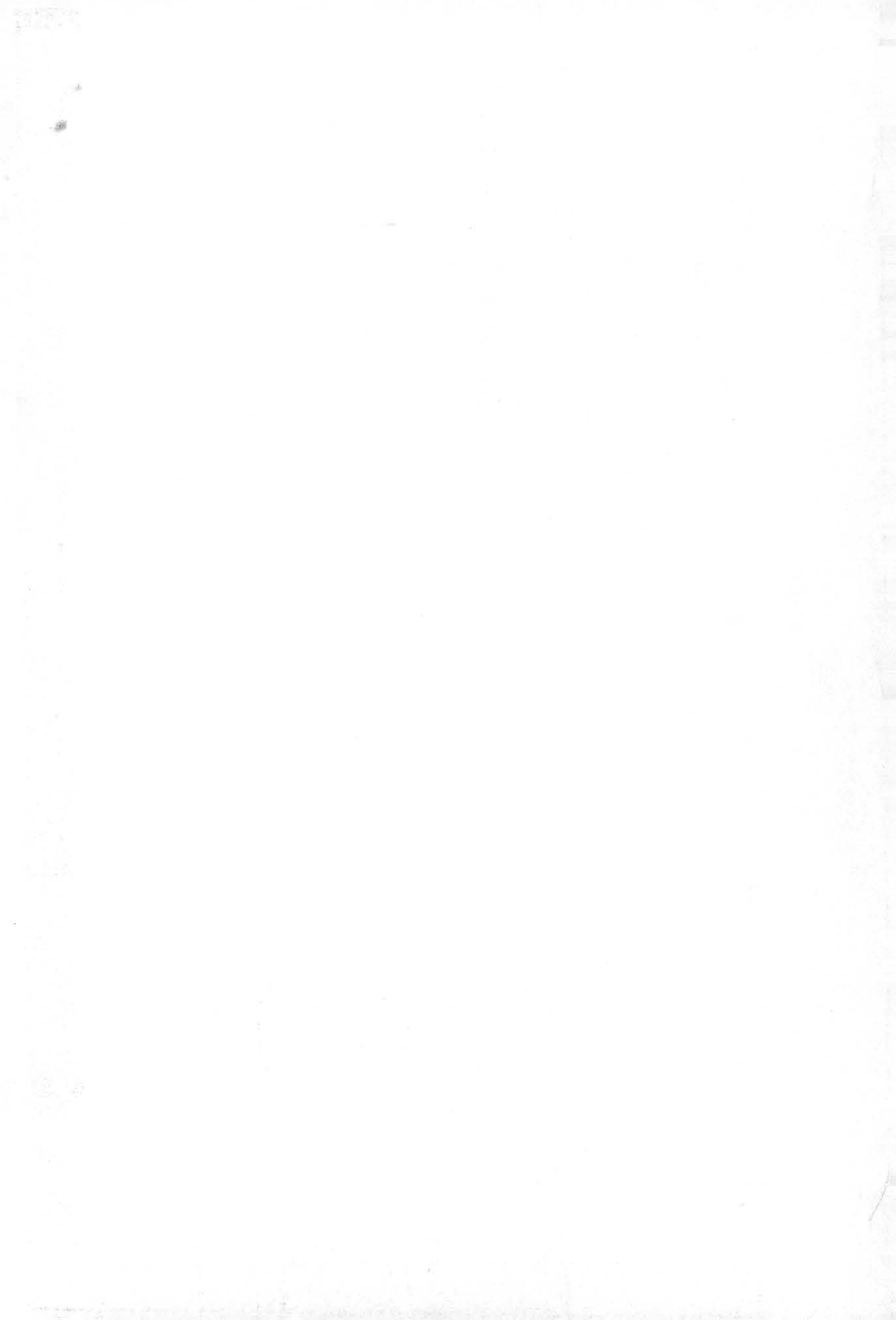
At the lowest Al-concentration (0.18 mM) the phytotoxic effect is slight. As a result in that cases root growth is similar both for translocated and for non-translocated wheats. For seedlings treated in a media with 1.4 mM Al there is a tendency for narrowing

between the two compared statistical rows. This effect probably due to approaching the upper limit in the evaluated scale of Al-concentration. Further increase of Al would affect stronger the seedling so the differences in phytotoxic reaction should be vague.

The results discussed here illustrate that the presence of 1BL/1RS translocation relates to the tolerance of wheat genotypes to toxic aluminium.

#### *Associations between gliadin spectra and aluminium tolerance of wheat*

The cluster analysis of gliadin patterns results in some association groups (Figure 2). Cluster 1 includes 7 variables and tree of them (RM25, RM29 and RM33) have lower distances from the respective cluster centre (Table 2a). These three components clustered



**Table 1**  
**Statistical evaluation of differences in root growth indexes in Al-media for weath germplasm contrasting by presence/absence of 1B/1RS translocations**

Cultivars/Lines	Al concentration, mM				Cultivars/Lines	Al concentration, mM			
	0.18	0.36	0.72	1.4		0.18	0.36	0.72	1.4
with 1B/1RS					lacking 1B/1RS				
1. Alondra S	0.57	0.59	0.58	0.49	20. Tepoca	0.73	0.64	0.43	0.30
2. Bacanora 88	0.55	0.46	0.48	0.45	21. Rayon	0.79	0.67	0.39	0.31
3. Mochis 88	0.86	0.88	0.79	0.51	22. Opata 85	0.65	0.56	0.38	0.30
4. Seri 82	0.69	0.53	0.41	0.29	23. Tarasque	0.65	0.41	0.38	0.27
5. Burgus 2/Rdisn 5481	0.80	0.77	0.67	0.39	24. Super flatua	0.65	0.41	0.45	0.43
6. Shabla <sup>1</sup>	0.71	0.61	0.49	0.33	25. Prelom <sup>1</sup>	0.60	0.57	0.44	0.30
7. KC 549 <sup>2</sup>	0.82	0.75	0.69	0.49	26. Sadovo 552 <sup>1</sup>	0.70	0.57	0.41	0.38
8. K88/Orfei <sup>2</sup>	0.89	0.82	0.73	0.52	27. Momchil <sup>1</sup>	0.86	0.60	0.34	0.28
9. D380 <sup>2</sup>	0.75	0.64	0.58	0.50	28. K864/Yantar <sup>2</sup>	0.58	0.47	0.44	0.36
10. D378R <sup>2</sup>	0.92	0.85	0.74	0.65	29. Priaspa <sup>1</sup>	0.55	0.51	0.35	0.28
11. D808 <sup>2</sup>	0.47	0.42	0.55	0.36	30. Yantar <sup>1</sup>	0.90	0.94	0.90	0.90
12. D388 R <sup>2</sup>	0.85	0.75	0.79	0.53	31. KC545 <sup>2</sup>	0.75	0.52	0.41	0.35
13. Boriana <sup>1</sup>	0.87	0.77	0.80	0.52	32. KC60 <sup>2</sup>	0.97	0.69	0.72	0.40
14. Yana <sup>1</sup>	0.77	0.79	0.61	0.60	33. KC436 <sup>2</sup>	0.57	0.41	0.33	0.37
15. KC768/4006 <sup>2</sup>	0.55	0.56	0.50	0.29	34. Predela <sup>1</sup>	0.79	0.77	0.63	0.55
16. KC745/4204 <sup>2</sup>	0.53	0.49	0.53	0.21	35. Gracia <sup>1</sup>	0.79	0.55	0.50	0.38
17. D511/4405 <sup>2</sup>	0.56	0.55	0.32	0.26	36. Record <sup>1</sup>	0.89	0.52	0.46	0.45
18. D873/4489 <sup>2</sup>	0.65	0.76	0.51	0.39	37. KC290 <sup>2</sup>	0.81	0.71	0.73	0.64
19. LS317/4433 <sup>2</sup>	0.88	0.86	0.77	0.73	38. H21 <sup>2</sup>	0.74	0.50	0.36	0.27
					39. LS61 <sup>2</sup>	0.70	0.59	0.66	0.51
					40. D272 <sup>2</sup>	0.90	0.70	0.65	0.50
					41. D525 <sup>2</sup>	0.56	0.60	0.39	0.43
					42. D507 <sup>2</sup>	0.51	0.44	0.33	0.21
					43. D163 <sup>2</sup>	0.62	0.50	0.45	0.28
					44. KC746 <sup>2</sup>	0.78	0.78	0.62	0.48
					45. 18-32 <sup>2</sup>	0.66	0.41	0.27	0.27
					46. KC/Zornitza <sup>2</sup>	0.66	0.48	0.40	0.27
					47. KC746/4204 <sup>2</sup>	0.77	0.59	0.59	0.42
					48. KC 747/4204 <sup>2</sup>	0.62	0.69	0.52	0.39
					49. KC749/4204 <sup>2</sup>	0.46	0.40	0.30	0.34
					50. D288/4345 <sup>2</sup>	0.85	0.78	0.75	0.43
					51. D913/4494 <sup>2</sup>	0.60	0.45	0.42	0.31
					52. LS285/4400 <sup>2</sup>	0.58	0.41	0.33	0.34
					53. LS5/4498 <sup>2</sup>	0.85	0.58	0.43	0.32
					54. LS316/4433 <sup>2</sup>	0.66	0.57	0.35	0.30
					55. LS318/4433 <sup>2</sup>	0.73	0.70	0.69	0.62
					56. LS284/4400 R <sup>2</sup>	0.73	0.59	0.65	0.35
					57. K609/3380 R <sup>2</sup>	0.61	0.59	0.48	0.41
					58. C50 <sup>2</sup>	0.83	0.73	0.71	0.43
Mean root-growth index ± stand. dev.	0.72 ± 0.15	0.67 ± 0.15*	0.60 ± 0.14*	0.44 ± 0.13	0.71 ± 0.12	0.58 ± 0.13*	0.49 ± 0.15*	0.39 ± 0.13	
T-value	0.19	2.21*	2.72*	1.22					
p	0.844	0.030*	0.085*	0.220					
F-ratio varians	1.54	1.30*	1.10*	1.07					
p - varians	0.25	0.48*	0.85*	0.82					

<sup>1</sup> Bulgarian wheat cultivars; <sup>2</sup> new lines candidate cultivars created in IPGR – Sadovo; non-assigned lines and cultivars are received by free exchange abroad; \* differences between two rows (1B/1R and 1B) are statistically significant at P < 0.05





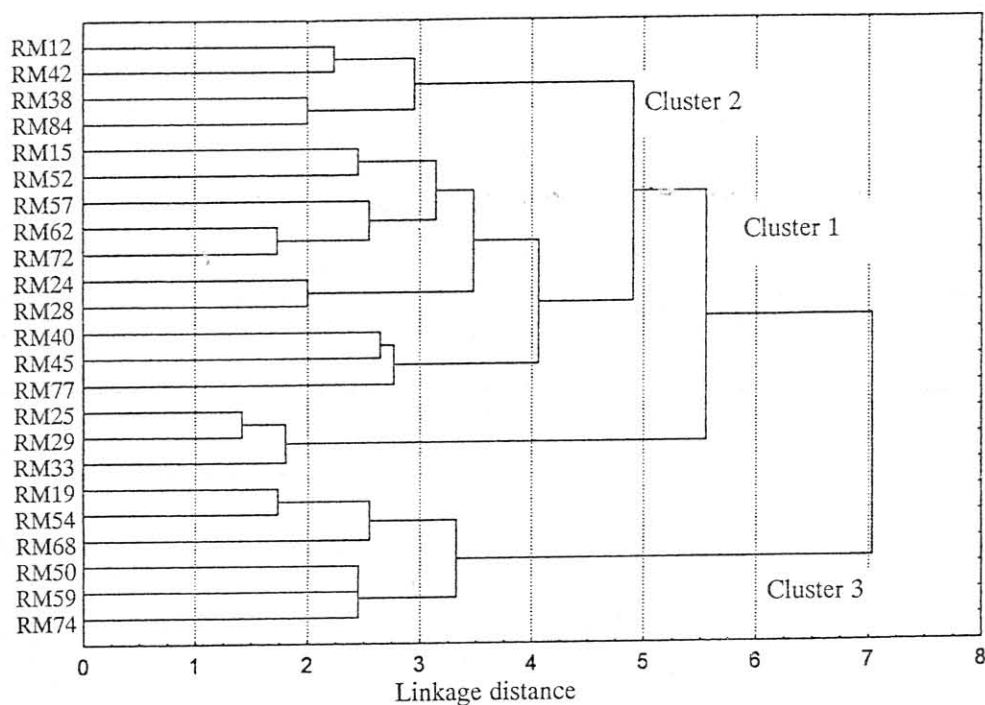


Fig. 2. Dendrogram for classification of wheat accessions in relation to gliadin patterns (Ward's method, Euclidean distances)

Table 2  
Cluster analysis and distances from respective cluster centre for gliadin components more frequently observed in evaluated wheat germplasm

<b>a) Cluster 1 of 7 variables</b>									
	Distances from respective cluster centre								
Component	RM25	RM29	RM33	RM40	RM45	RM52	RM77		
Distance	0.35	0.32	0.39	0.49	0.48	0.43	0.41		
<b>b) Cluster 2 of 9 variables</b>									
	Distances from respective cluster centre								
Component	RM12	RM15	RM24	RM38	RM42	RM57	RM62	RM72	RM84
Distance	0.40	0.44	0.37	0.48	0.45	0.43	0.39	0.42	0.36
<b>c) Cluster 3 of 7 variables</b>									
	Distances from respective cluster centre								
Component	RM19	RM28	RM50	RM54	RM59	RM68	RM74		
Distance	0.38	0.43	0.40	0.34	0.40	0.40	0.40		

together illustrates the typical 1BL/1RS group of bands (Figure 1). Cluster 2 is compound of 9 variables (Table 2b). Low distances are described for variables RM24, RM62 and RM84 more frequently observed

in low tolerant to Al wheat genotypes. Cluster 3 consist of 7 variables and two of them (RM19 and RM54) are determined with low distances from the respective cluster centre (Table 2c).



The presented analysis is the reason to suggest that the base group of gliadins which could be associated with high tolerance to Al is composed of three strong developed bands describing 1BL/1RS translocation.

### Conclusions

Wheat genotypes with 1BL/1RS translocations are found to be more tolerant to aluminium phytotoxicity. The presence of bands in gliadin patterns produced by Sec-1 locus is associated with high tolerance to Al. Although the results need to be confirmed in additional genetic backgrounds, breeders interested to increase the yield and stress resistance by incorporation of 1BL/1RS translocation could consider using it as additional opportunity for crop performance under subsoil acidity.

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## Effect of Imidacloprid on the Tobacco Aphid (*Myzus nicotianae* Blackman) and the Peach Aphid (*Myzus persicae* Sulz.) – Vectors of Virus Diseases

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**Key words:** peach aphid, virus diseases, imidacloprid, tobacco aphid

### Introduction

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CMV (genus *Cucumovirus*) has an extremely broad host range, which exceeds 775 different plant species in more than 85

distinct botanical families (Douine et al., 1979; Raccach, 1986; Ng and Perry, 1999). CMV is wide distributed virus in Bulgaria and strains belonging to subgroup I and to subgroup II were identified. It was established that strains from subgroup I are predominant (Hristova et al., 2000b). An epidemic of CMV on tobacco was reported in 1986 in Northeastern Bulgaria.