

On the pea linkage map

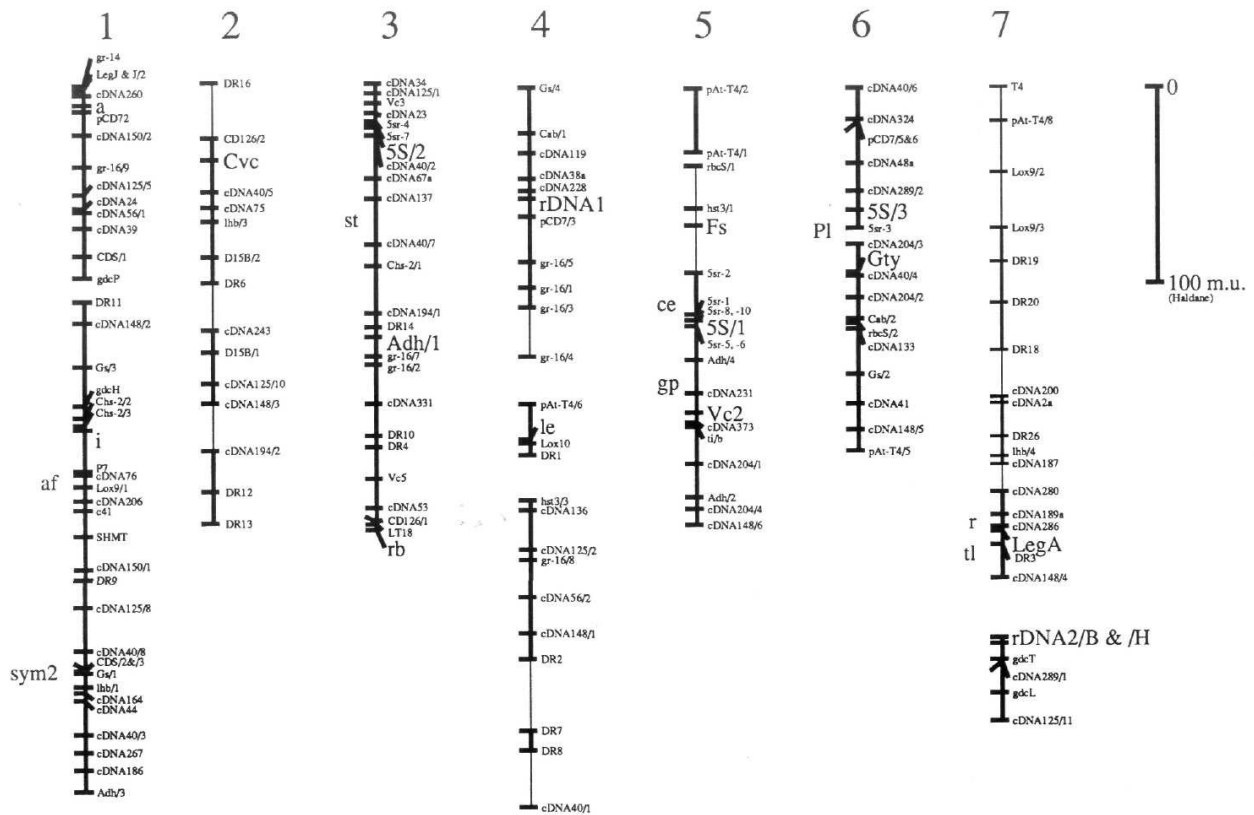
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In the previous issue of *Pisum Genetics* (2), comments were made concerning difficulties in the interpretation of an RFLP map (1) of pea presented from this laboratory. The main problem concerns 'consistency' of the linkage map and leaves unresolved the question of whether patterns of linkage association are generally conserved within this species. We emphasised the variability in the linkage associations which we observed, and this was the main general biological point we wished to make. However, this emphasis may have detracted from the more specialist aim of developing a workable linkage map for pea. The purpose of this article is to simplify this process.

Here we present an update (Fig. 1) of the linkage map derived from one of our pea recombinant inbred populations (JI281 x JI399). This map is redrawn (from ref. 1) with the addition of a few extra markers, and some small alterations to the local order of a few markers. Details of all the markers are given in Table 1. In addition to these minor changes, the map as drawn has some major differences which are itemised below.

1. The presumed translocation involving groups 1 and 4 has been broken into its constituent parts, and is not drawn as a single group. In addition, three markers have been removed and placed next to a glutamine synthase gene on group 6. This alteration removes one association 'between linkage groups' discussed in ref. 1.
2. The linkage segment including *Gty* was previously part of group 5 (1) and is now drawn as a separate linkage group and is assigned to group 6 in agreement with the conventional map position of *Gty* (5) and because of a loose association between the two parts of group 6.
3. Markers near *a* on group 1 and those near to the locus detected by cDNA 2a on group 7 have been reordered in recognition of the association between DR 18 and markers on group 1 near *a* and markers on group 7. This 1/7 association was discussed briefly in Ellis et al. (1) and will be discussed more fully elsewhere.
4. The linkage segment from *hst3/3* to cDNA 40/1 is assigned to group 4 on account of the association between cDNA 136 and other markers from this segment in another cross. In the JI15 x JI61 recombinant inbred population the markers linked to cDNA 136 include a *Gs* and *Cab* locus.
5. Classical markers known from other recombinant inbred populations to be tightly linked to RFLPs placed on this map are given an approximate location to the left of their respective groups.
6. The thick lines designate linkages supported by a LOD score greater than or equal to 3.0. The thin lines are linkages with less support presented previously (1).



The relationship between this map and the standard genetic map [Weeden and Wolko (5) and the Linkage Map Committee (3)] can be established for each of the major linkage segments of Fig. 1 because each of these segments carries one or more markers placed on the standard map. Markers which can be used to relate Fig. 1 to the standard map are listed in Table 1. The agreement is reasonably good with the notable exception of group 7. This difference is discussed in Ellis et al. (1) and below in conjunction with glutamine synthase genes.

The *Gs/Lhb/sym2* association on this map is in agreement with Weeden et al. (4), but this *Gs* marker (called *Gse* in ref. 4) does not appear to correspond to any of the four *Gs* loci on the standard map (5). The association between a *Gs* and *Cab* gene on group 4 of this map may be a confirmation of the *Gs-n1* (=GS341)/*Cab* association of the standard map. The former shows an association with *rDNA1* and the latter with *Rrm2*. This may imply that our previous tentative suggestion that *rDNA1* corresponds to *Rrm1* was unfounded; the direct connection between *rDNA1* and *le* has been broken in this redrawn map, in part due to the relocation of the markers mentioned in item 1) above. The linkage data on which this connection was based can be found in ref. 1. The uppermost linkage segment in the group 4 as drawn in Fig. 1 may therefore correspond to group 7 of the standard map (5). The associations between linkage segments are not shown on this map, but the data corresponding to these and especially in relation to the differences between the two versions of the linkage map from this one cross can be found in Ellis et al. (1).

Fig. 1 shows an RFLP map derived largely from the analysis of the recombinant inbred population JI281 x JI399 as discussed in the text. Marker names are as in ref. 1, with the following exceptions. The markers detected with a glutamine synthase gene probe are written as Gs/x where they were previously written as GST-10/x; this is to avoid confusion with glutathione-S-transferase. The glycine decarboxylase genes are designated gdc rather than by the plasmid names pST. Similarly, *Adh* genes are designated Adh/x where they were previously designated pPSR 546/x. The lipoxygenase genes are designated Lox9/x, corresponding to pPE 923/x, and Lox10 corresponding to pPE1036a. The markers designated 0.9 MI/x have been shown to correspond to *Cab* genes and are designated Cab/x. The rDNA locus referred to as rDNA1 was previously designated by the probe name cDB107. The marker *Fs* was previously regarded as *F*. These alterations have been made to facilitate comparison to the map of Weeden and Wolko (5).

Table 1. Explanation of marker names in Fig. 1.

Marker (Fig. 1)	Marker (in 5)	Comments
Group 1 (upper)		
1. gr-14		glutathione reductase
2. LgJ	<i>Lg-J</i>	B-type legumin gene cluster. NOT Lg2 of Matta and Gatehouse (see 1) LgJ/2 is adjacent seq.
3. LgJ/2		
4. cDNA 260		
5. a	<i>a</i>	lacking anthocyanin
6. pCD 72		vicilin
7. cDNA 150/2		
8. gr-16/9		
9. cDNA 125/5		
10. cDNA 24		
11. CDNA56/1		
12. cDNA 39		
13. CDS/1		
14. gdcP		glycine decarboxylase, previously pST P
Group 1 (lower)		
15. DR 11		<i>copia</i> -like element
16. cDNA 148/2		
17. Gs/3		Glutamine synthase
18. gdcH		glycine decarboxylase, previously pST H
19. Chs-2/2		The major chalcone synthase gene cluster with recombination within the Chs gene cluster.
20. Chs-2/3		
21. i	<i>i</i>	green cotyledons
22. P7		seed polypeptide
23. cDNA 76		
24. Lox9/1	linked to <i>af</i>	lipoxygenase, previously pPE 923/1
25. cDNA 206		

Marker (Fig. 1)	Marker (in 5)	Comments
26. c41		tandem repeat <i>in situ</i> marker
27. SHMT		serine hydroxymethyl transferase
28. cDNA 150/1		
29. DR 9		<i>copia</i> -like element
30. cDNA 125/8		
31. CDNA40/8		
32. CDS/3		
33. CDS/2		
34. Gs/1	? <i>Gse</i>	glutamine synthase } <i>Sym2</i> associated †
35. lhb/1		leghaemoglobin } <i>Sym2</i> associated †
36. cDNA 164		
37. cDNA 44		
38. cDNA 40/3		
39. cDNA 267		
40. cDNA 186		
41. Adh/3		Alcohol dehydrogenase
Group 2		
42. DR 16		<i>copia</i> -like element
43. CD126/2		
44. Cvc	<i>Cvc</i>	Convicilin
45. cDNA 40/5		
46. cDNA 75		
47. lhb/3		leghaemoglobin
48. D15B/2		
49. DR 6		<i>copia</i> -like element
50. cDNA 243		
51. D15B/1		
52. cDNA 125/10		
53. cDNA 148/3		
54. cDNA 194/2		
55. DR 12		<i>copia</i> -like element
56. DR 13		<i>copia</i> -like element
Group 3		
57. cDNA 34		
58. cDNA 125/1		
59. cDNA 23		
60. Vc-3		Vicilin
61. 5sr-7		5S rRNA related sequence
62. 5sr-4		5S rRNA related sequence
63. 5S/2		5S rRNA gene cluster

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64. cDNA 40/2		
65. cDNA 67a		
66. cDNA 137	linked to <i>st</i>	
67. cDNA 40/7		
68. Chs-2/1		Chalcone synthase gene responsive to <i>a</i>
69. cDNA 194/1		
70. DR 14		<i>cop</i> ia-like element
71. Adh/1		Alcohol dehydrogenase (major signal)
72. gr-16/7		
73. gr-16/2		
74. cDNA 331		
75. DR 10		<i>cop</i> ia-like element
76. DR 4		<i>cop</i> ia-like element
77. Vc-5		
78. cDNA 53		
79. CD 126/1		
80. LT18		legumin gene related sequence
81. rb	<i>rb</i>	wrinkled seed
Group 4 (top)		
82. Gs/4	? <i>Gs-n1</i>	glutamine synthase
83. Cab/1	? <i>Cab</i>	chlorophyll a/b binding protein related sequence
84. cDNA 119		
85. cDNA 38a		
86. cDNA 228		
87. rDNA1	<i>Rrn1</i> or <i>Rrn2</i>	large rRNA gene cluster
88. CD7/3		
89. gr-16/5		
90. gr-16/1		
91. gr-16/3		
92. gr-16/4		
Group 4 (middle)		
93. pAt-T4/6		telomere related sequence
94. le	<i>le</i>	short internodes
95. Lox10	<i>Lox</i>	lipoxygenase
96. DR 1		<i>cop</i> ia-like element
Group 4 (bottom)		
97. hst3/3		Histone H3 related DNA sequence
98. cDNA 136		
99. cDNA 125/2		
100. gr-16/8		

Marker (Fig. 1)	Marker (in 5)	Comments
101. cDNA 56/2		
102. cDNA 148/1		
103. DR 2,		<i>copia</i> -like element
104. DR 7,		<i>copia</i> -like element
105. DR 8		<i>copia</i> -like element
106. cDNA 40/1		
Group 5 (top)		
107. pAt-T4/2		telomere related sequence
108. pAt-T4/1		telomere related sequence
Group 5 (bottom)		
109. rbcS/1	<i>RbcS</i>	RUBP carboxylase
110. hst3/1		Histone H3 related DNA sequence
111. Fs	<i>Fs</i>	violet speckles on testa
112. 5sr-2		5S rRNA related sequence
113. 5S/1	linked to <i>ce</i>	5S gene cluster
114. 5sr-6		
115. 5sr-1		
116. 5sr-5		
117. 5sr-10		
118. Adh/4		Alcohol dehydrogenase
119. cDNA 231	linked to <i>gp</i>	
120. ti/b	linked to <i>gp</i>	trypsin inhibitor
121. Vc-2	linked to <i>gp</i>	vicilin
122. cDNA 373		
123. cDNA 204/1		
124. Adh/2		Alcohol dehydrogenase
125. cDNA 204/4		
126. cDNA 148/6		
Group 6 (upper)		
127. cDNA 40/6		
128. cDNA 324		
129. pCD7/5&6		previously 2 markers ‡
130. cDNA 48a		
131. cDNA 289/2		
132. 5S/3	linked to <i>PI</i>	5S gene cluster
133. 5sr-3		5S rRNA related sequence
Group 6 (lower)		
134. cDNA 204/3		
135. Gty	<i>Gty</i>	gritty testa
136. CDNA40/4		

Marker (Fig. 1)	Marker (in 5)	Comments
137. cDNA 204/2		
138. Cab/2		chlorophyll a/b binding protein related sequence
139. rbcS/2		RUBP carboxylase
140. cDNA 133		
141. Gs/2		glutamine synthase
142. cDNA 41		
143. cDNA 148/5		
144. pAt-T4/5		telomere related sequence
Group 7 (upper)		
145. T4		microsatellite adjacent to telomere sequence
146. pAt-T4/8		telomere related sequence
147. Lox9/2		lipoxygenase
148. Lox9/3		lipoxygenase
149. DR 19		<i>copia</i> -like element
150. DR 20		<i>copia</i> -like element
151. DR 18		<i>copia</i> -like element
152. cDNA 200		
153. cDNA 2a	linked to <i>r</i>	
154. DR 26		<i>copia</i> -like element
155. lhb/4		leghaemoglobin
156. cDNA 189a		
157. cDNA 280	linked to <i>r</i>	
158. cDNA 189a		
159. cDNA 286		
160. Lg-1	<i>Lg-1</i>	A-type legumin
161. DR 3		<i>copia</i> -like element
162. cDNA 148/4		
Group 7 (lower)		
163. rDNA2/B	<i>Rrn1</i> or <i>Rrn2</i>	large ribosomal RNA gene cluster,
164. rDNA2/H	<i>Rrn1</i> or <i>Rrn2</i>	recombination within the array
165. gdcT		glycine decarboxylase, previously pST T
166. cDNA 289/1		
167. gdcL		glycine decarboxylase, previously pST L
168. cDNA 125/11		

‡ pCD7/5 and pCD7/6 could be mapped as two markers, but all the lines carrying the JI399 allele of 7/6 carry the JI399 allele of 7/5. This and the relatedness of the DNA sequences has led us to treat this probe as detecting a single marker for the purposes of the present map. This is essentially the pCD7/5 marker of ref 1. † T. Bisseling pers. comm.

This map is an attempt to make sense of the patterns of segregation of markers in a recombinant inbred population. The difficulties in relating this map to the standard map should not be taken to imply that either is wrong. Some of the difficulties are probably a consequence of working with different data sets, but the more interesting possibility that the difficulties arise from the variability of the pea genome seem well worth further study. Furthermore, the segregation data for recombinant inbred populations can be built upon with additional molecular markers and with the analysis of phenotypic traits. The population from which this map was derived (and our other recombinant inbred populations) are sets of multiply marked genetic stocks, with attendant and interrelated segregation data. At present, the JI281 x JI399 recombinant inbred population is at the F₁₂ generation. This population is generally available for further genetic analysis, subject only to limitations of seed number and import or export controls.

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