Root Phenotyping for Field Management of cropsdryland crops

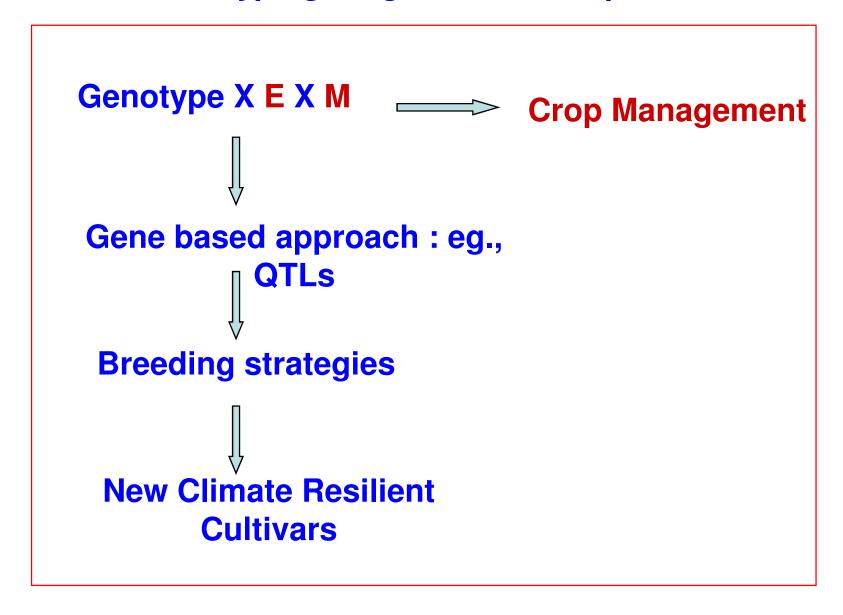
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Plant Phenotyping- Agronomic Perspective



Plant Phenotyping

- Above ground plant phenotyping
- Below ground plant phenotyping (Root Phenotyping)

Root Morphology:

Root Architecture: Spatial and Temporal configuration of Root system

Root Topology

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Factors

- Genotype
- Plant population
- Tillage
- Soil depth
- Drought & Excess
- Abiotic stress management Measure
- Special operations
- Fertilisers

Drought management measures

Root Phenotyping

Drought management measure:

Conservation furrow

Recommended

Practice : One conservation furrow for

every three rows of crop plants

Field Expt- Greengram- ML267 vs WGG37

Stage 1 (42 DAS)

ML267 –No CF





ML267 – CF

Stage 2 (63 DAS)

WGG37 -No CF





WGG37 – CF

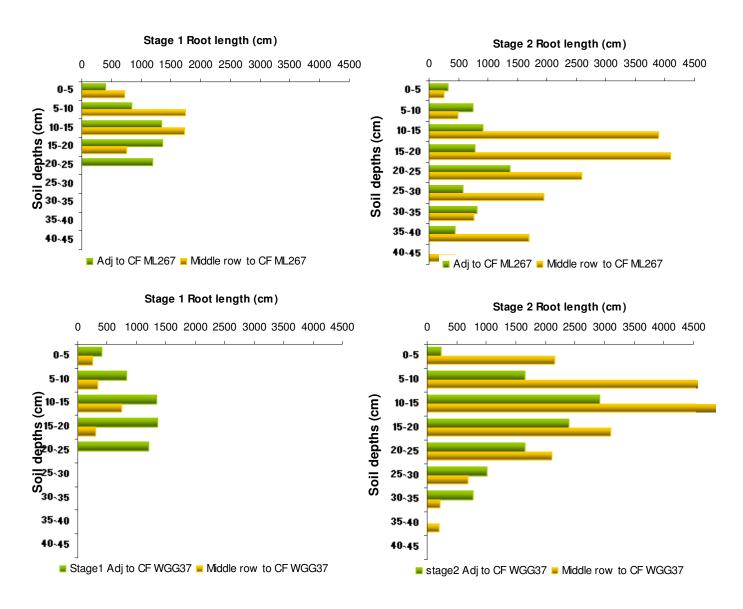


Figure . Rooting depth (cm) and root length (cm) at respective soil depths of adjacent and middle rows of mungbean of Conservation Furrow treatment (2011)

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Drought management measure:

Conservation furrow

Recommended

Practice : One conservation furrow for

every three rows of crop plants

Refined practice: One CF for every two rows of crop

plants (Greengram – 30 X 15cm)