

It is five minutes to midnight, Mrs. Rice! :

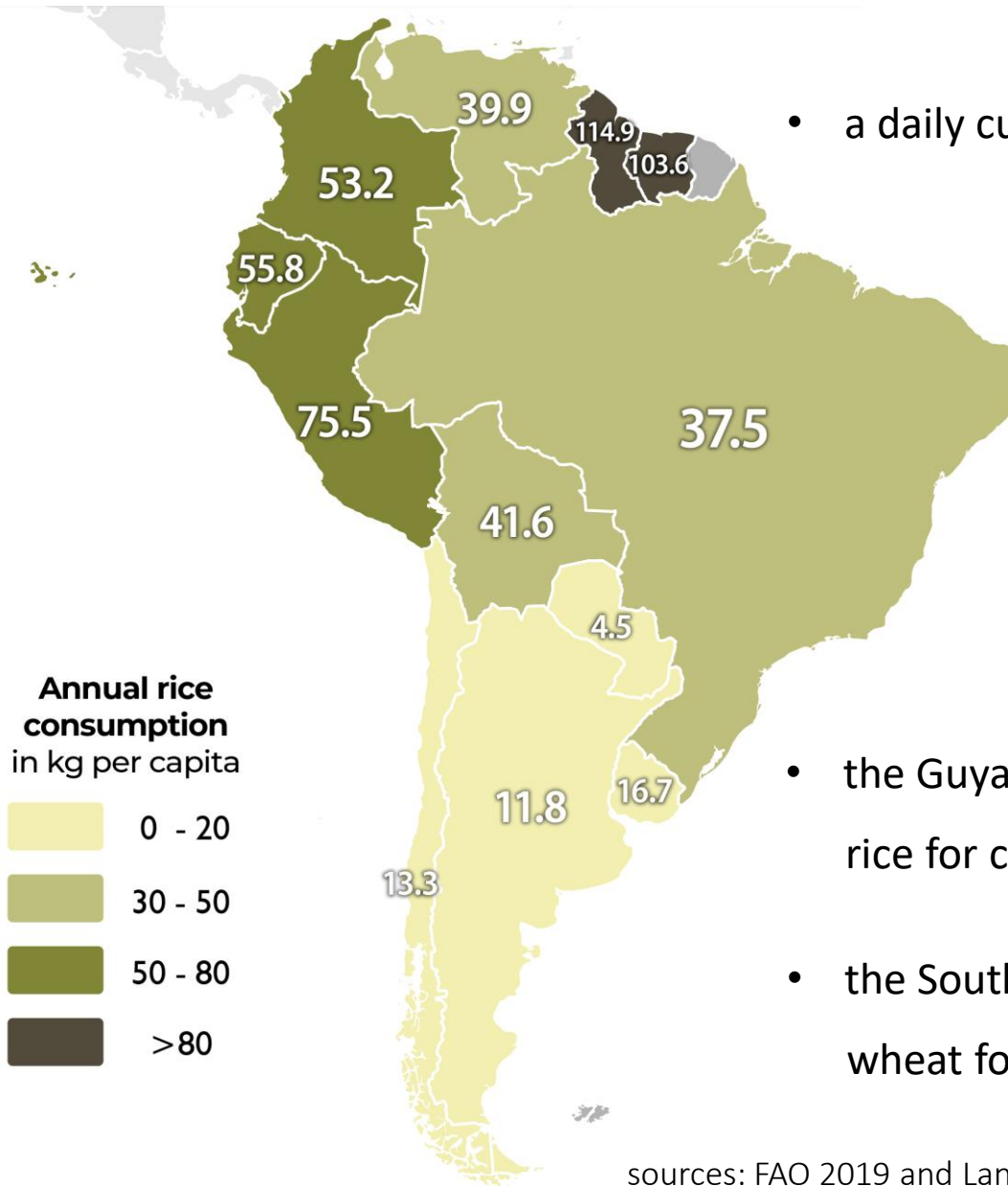
thoughts on American *Oryza*

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# Consumption of rice in South America in kg per person



- a daily cup of 100 g gives 36.5 kg/ year

role of good varieties and the private sector to keep prices low throughout the year

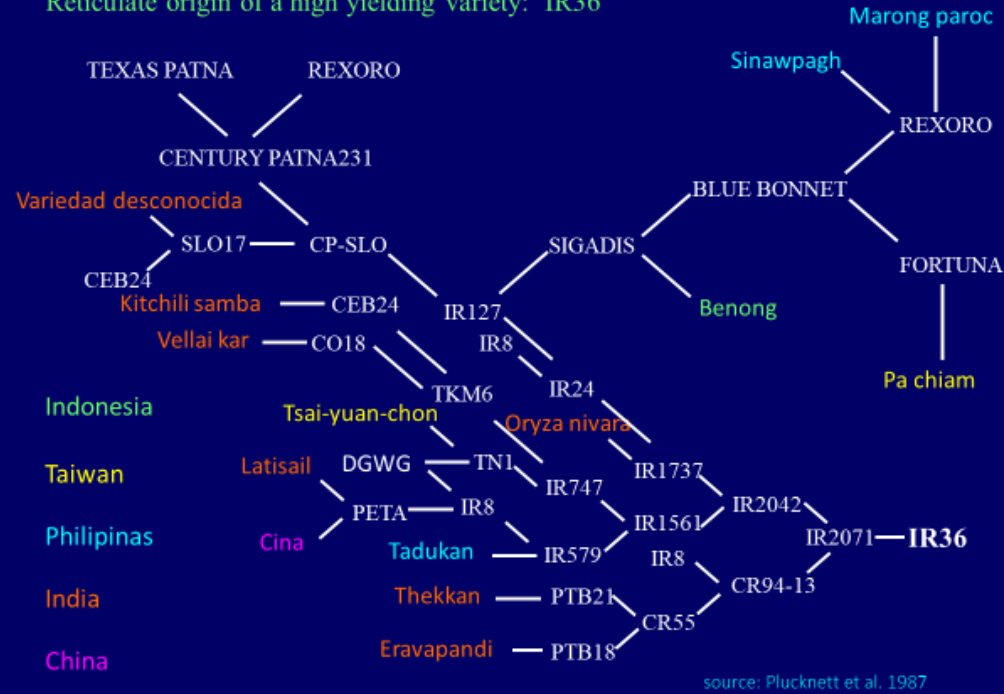
- the Guyanas keep a diet based on rice for climatic and cultural reasons
- the Southern Cone keeps a diet based on wheat for climatic and cultural reasons

# What does the case of IR36 tell us

in the 1980s it was estimated that over 10% of the world's rice land was sown with this one variety

fuelle: Davidson 2006

Reticulate origin of a high yielding variety: IR36



- the genes of interest come from modern varieties and from landraces
- the date of their coming into being does not matter
- the genes of interest come from various geographic areas, quite unpredictable
- the genes of interest come from the species being improved and others
- the genes of resistance to Grassy Stunt Virus come from *Oryza nivara* only

Trait	germplasm
sources of CMS	<i>glumaepatula</i> (AA), <i>rufipogon</i> (AA)
QTLs for yield increase	<i>rufipogon</i> (AA)
resistance to Grassy Stunt Virus	<i>nivara</i> (AA)
resistance to Tungro Virus	<i>latifolia</i> (CCDD), <i>rufipogon</i> (AA)
resistance to bacteriosis	<i>longistaminata</i> (AA)
resistance to blast	<i>longiglumis</i> (HHJJ)
resistance to leafhopper	<i>officinalis</i> (CC)
tolerance to acid soils	<i>brachyantha</i> (FF)
tolerance to drought	<i>australiensis</i> (EE)
tolerance to shade	<i>granulata</i> (GG)
tolerance to low temperatures	<i>granulata</i> (GG)
tolerance to salinity	<i>coarctata</i> (HHKK)

sources: Atwell et al. 2014, Brar & Khush 1997, Ikeda et al. 1994, Jena 2010, Khush 1997, Khush et al. 1990  
 Khush & Ling 1974, McCouch et al. 2007

Tropical America (4?)

Africa (7)

Asia (13)

Australia (2)

*Oryza*: a genus with 26+ species

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Diploid species (16)

*glumaepatula* (AA)

*glaberrima* (AA)

*sativa* (AA)

*meridionalis* (AA)

*barthii* (AA)

*nivara* (AA)

*australiensis* (EE)

*longistaminata* (AA)

*rufipogon* (AA)

*officinalis* (CC)

*punctata* (BB)

*rhizomatis* (CC)

*eichingeri* (CC)

*granulata* (GG)

*brachyantha* (FF)

*meyeriana* (GG)



Tetraploid species (10)

*alta* (CCDD)

*punctata* (BBCC)

*longiglumis* (HHJJ)

*schlechteri* (HHKK)

*latifolia* (CCDD)

*malampuzhaensis* (BBCC)

*minuta* (BBCC)

*grandiglumis* (CCDD)

*ridleyi* (HHJJ)

*coarctata* (HHKK)

From: *Species Plantarum*

by Carl Linnaeus, 1753, page 333

HEXANDRIA TRIGYNIA. 333

*ciminibus 5 vidi; at in vivis circiter 6 Læfing. Si  
hujus ordo naturalis sit n. XL, numerus naturalis e-  
rit staminum sex, si vero XLII, erit quinque.*

ORYZA.

- 1. ORYZA. *Baub. pin. 24. theatr. 479. Cam. epit. 192. sativa.  
Dod. pempt. 509. Catesb. car. 1. p. 14. t. 14. Hort.  
cliff. 137. Mat. med. 174. Roy. lugdb. 58.  
Habitat forte in Æthiopia, colitur in Indiæ paludosis. ☉*

ATRAPHAXIS.

- 1. ATRAPHAXIS ramis spinosis. *Hort. cliff. 138. spinosa.  
Roy. lugdb. 409.  
Atriplex orientalis, frutex aculeatus, flore pulchro.*

Cultivated in the swamps of India; possibly in Ethiopia

Reported as annual

the unique species reported by Linnaeus, also in 1762

but curiously there is no definition of the genus nor  
the species!

the name for the Asian rice crop, domesticated twice in E Asia from *O. rufipogon*



source: Hitchcock 1950

From: *Synopsis Plantarum Graminearum*

by Ernst Gottlieb Steudel, 1855, page 3

patula; spiculis sparsis pedicellatis; glumis valvulisque muticis. *Leersia latifolia*. Willd. hrbr. 4 Madagascar.

13. *O. GLABERRIMA*. Steud. Caule simplici cum omnibus partibus glaberrimo, striato; foliis lanceolato-linearibus vaginisque longissimis striatis, margine carinaque laevissimis; panicula contracta racemosa; axibus triquetris laevissimis; spiculis alternis, glaberrimis, vix pedicellatis, glumis apice subglanduloso obtusiusculo, omnibus muticis. Legit Jardin in Guinea.

14. *O. PREHENSILIS*. Nees. (Fl. Afr. austr. I. 194 sub: *Maltebrunia*.) Culmo ramosissimo; foliis subsessilibus birtis margine carinato aculeolis recurvis armatis; panicula

glumes awnless!, usually dark colored; reddish caryopses

no collection number, no precise location, but *vide* Portères 1955:

a collection made by Désiré Édélestan Jardin in 1845-48

collected in the Los Islands (off Guinea Conakry)

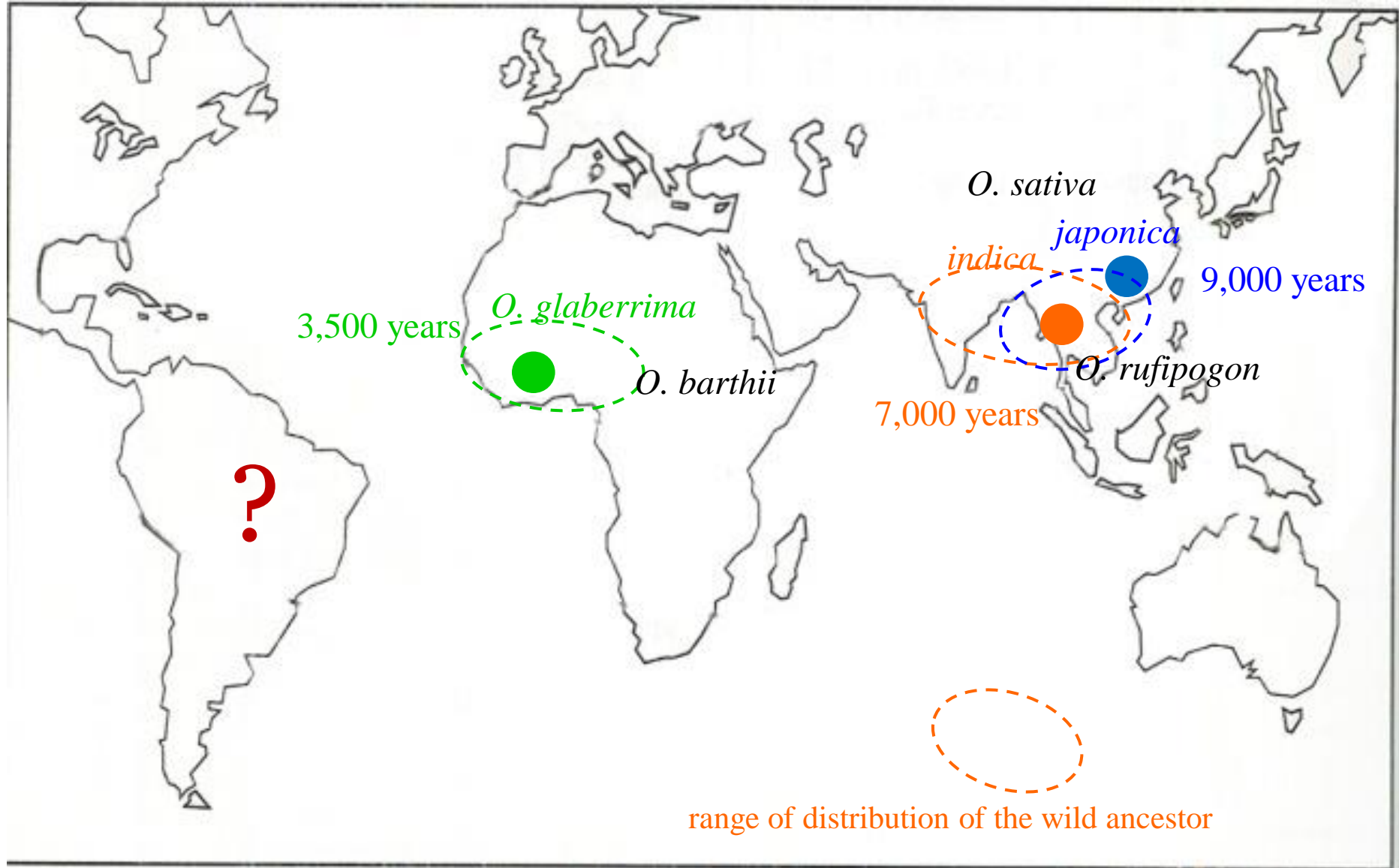
could have “no. 9” as collecting number

the name for the African rice crop, independently domesticated in W Africa from *O. barthii*

additional information: Portères 1950, 1955, Van Andel et al. 2016, Wang et al. 2014



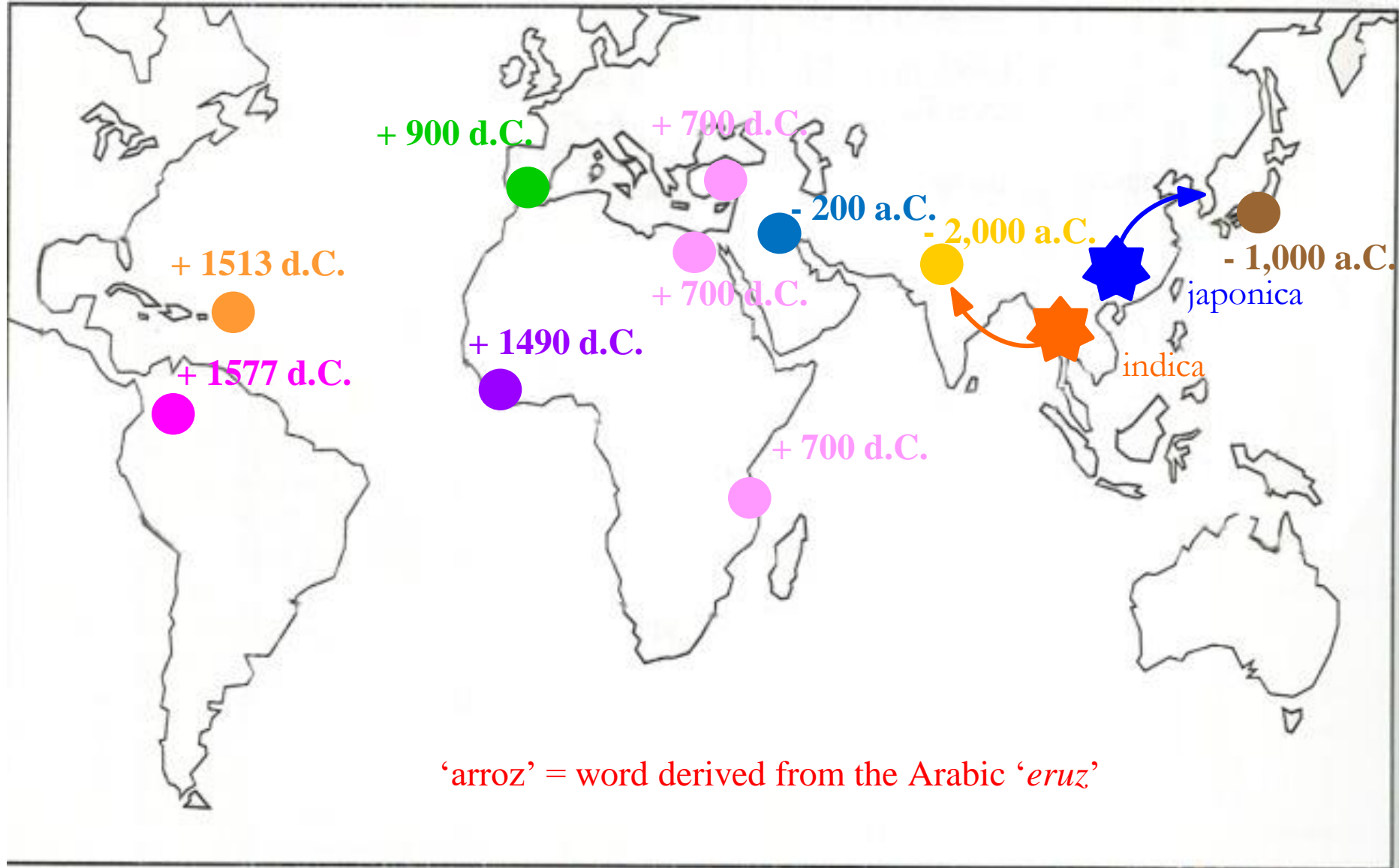
# Areas and dates of domestication (b.P.)



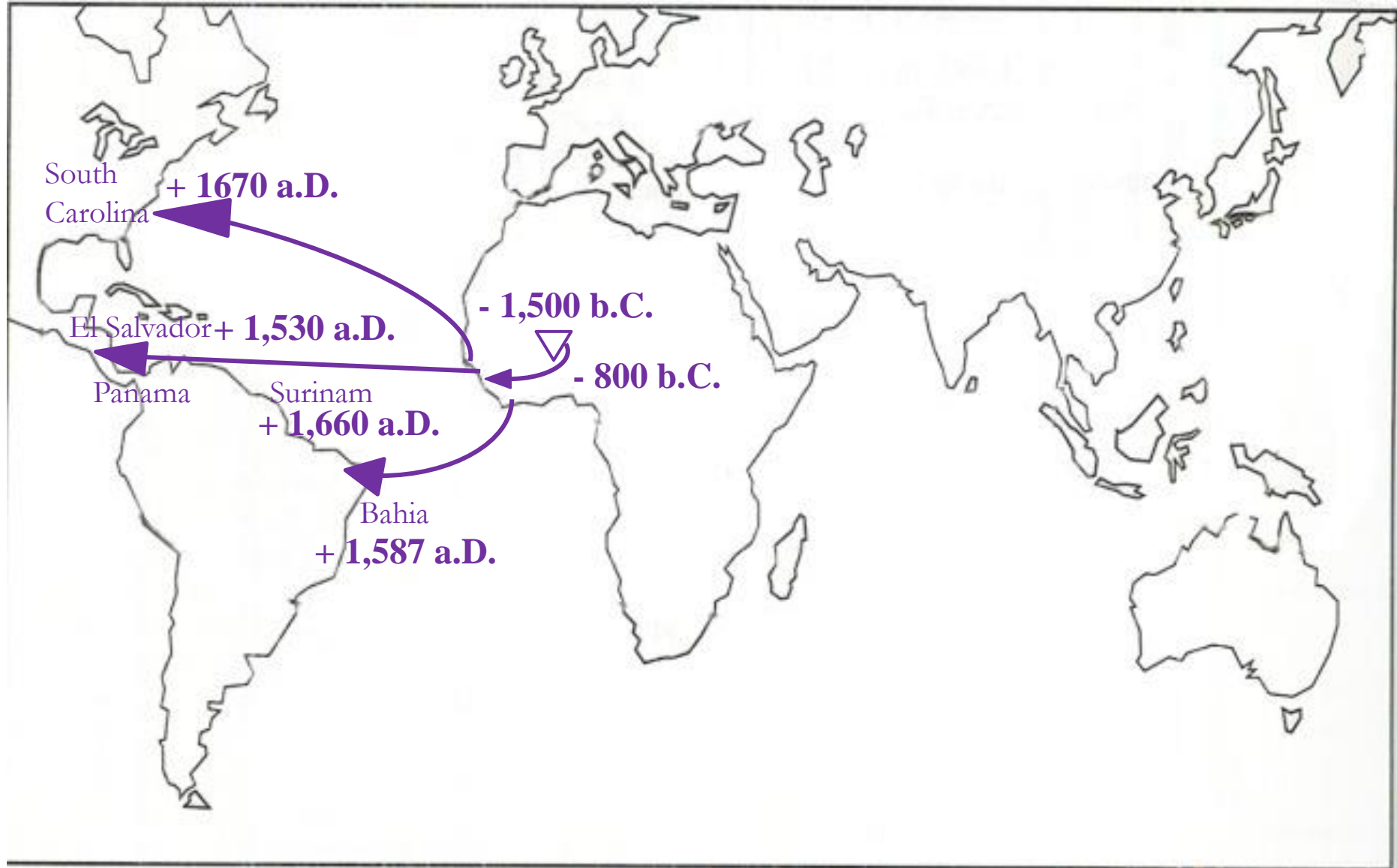
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Molina et al. 2011, Vaughan & Morishima 2003, Vitte et al. 2004, Wang et al. 2014

# The migrations of *O. sativa*

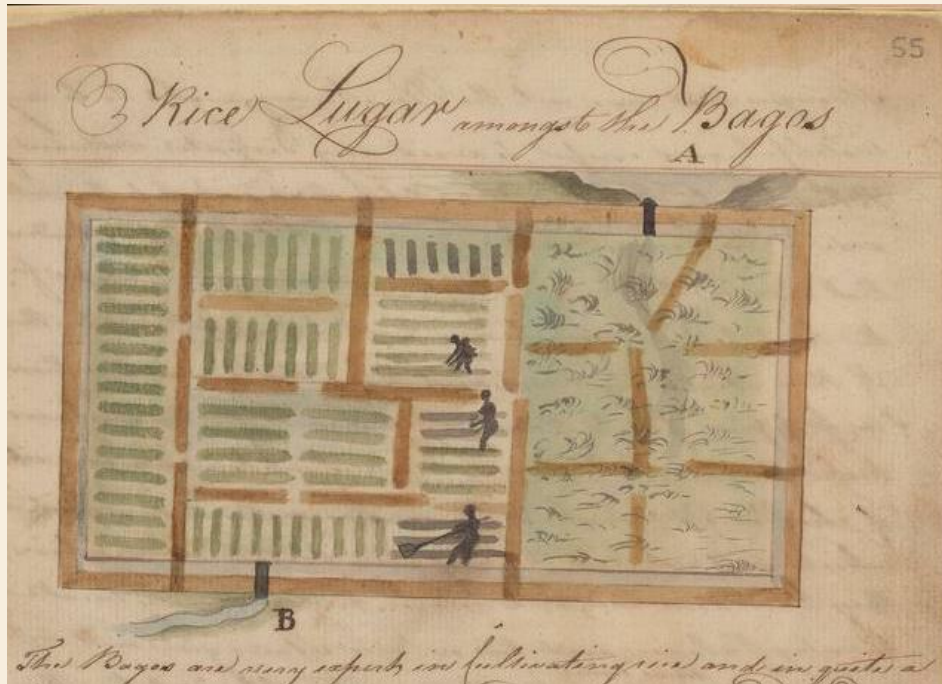


# The migrations of *O. glaberrima*

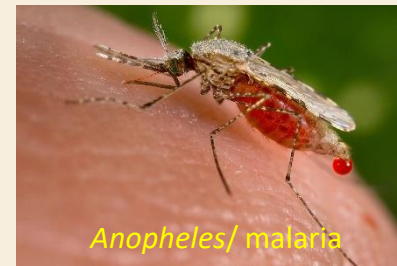


sources: Carney 2001, 2005, Linares 2002, Portères 1950, 1976, Van Andel 2010, Van Andel et al. 2016, 2019

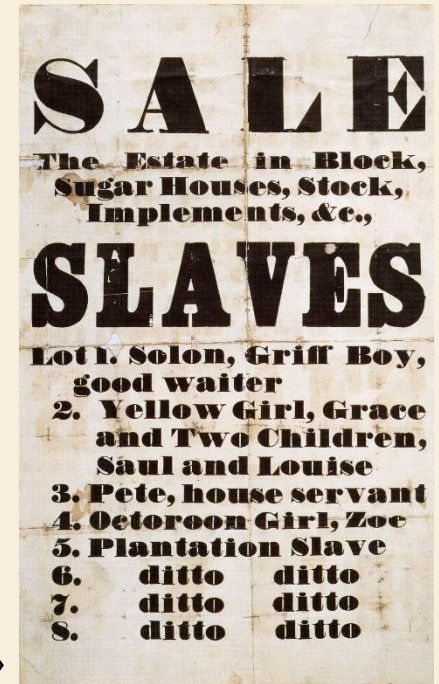
# Introduction of slavery and irrigated rice system in the New World



← daily logbook of  
Captain Samuel Gamble  
coast of Guinea-Conakry  
in 1793-1794



add, Alabama, 1850



- arrival of first slaves into Hispaniola in 1505 and in South Carolina in 1670
- documentation about *Oryza glaberrima* in South Carolina in 1696 and in Surinam in 1800
- documentation about *Oryza glaberrima* in French Guyana in 1938 and in El Salvador in 1959

Forced migration of people from western Africa estimated at 9.5 millions in 1505-1888

Contrast between rice and sugarcane cropping systems for slavery conditions

# The evidence brought by phytoliths

- minutos crystals of silicium present in the tissues of grasses
- if appropriately selected they can help identify genera and species
- the crystals found in the glumes separate *Oryza sativa* from the wild taxa

sources: Pearsall 1989, Thomasson 1987, Zhao et al. 1998

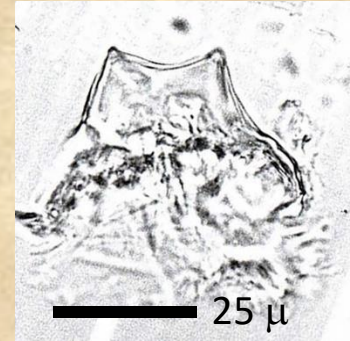


foto: Zhao



## Archaeological findings in Monte Castelo:

- ✓ rice phytoliths analyzed: those of the glumes
- ✓ size of rice phytoliths increases since 4,000 years b.P.
- ✓ density of rice phytoliths increases during that period
- ✓ presence of maize phytoliths during the same period
- ✓ presence of carbon: straw burning after the harvest?
- ✓ tentative identification: *O. glumaepatula*, that thrives nearby

fuelle: Hilbert et al. 2017

# Harvest of wild rice, *Zizania aquatica*, in the Great Lakes of North America



this harvest method does not promote the increase in seed size

source: Stickney 1896

Ojibwa women of Eastern Wisconsin in September

From: *Agrostologia Brasiliensis*

by Christian Gottfried Nees, 1829, pages 518-9

de Bot. 1333. Febr. Lour. Fl. Cochinch. ed. Willd. I. p. 266. Raddi Agrostogr. Bras. p. 34. Willd. Diet. et illustr. Linn. III. gen. C. Linn. Pin. p. 22. F. Phys-top. p. 59. Theatr. p. 479. Joh. Baub. Bot. II. p. 450. Moris. Hist. III. p. 203. t. 7. Lob. Advers. p. 12. Obs. p. 23. ic. p. 38. Matth. lib. II. c. 88. Dod. prompt. IF. c. 28. p. 500. Ruell. stirpp. Hist. p. 348. Tring. p. 512. Brongf. Herb. p. 15. Plin. H. M. CXXVIII. 7. B. Cat. II. 21.

Oryza, Lin. H. Cliff. p. 137. Mot. Med. p. 97. Boyl. Lugdb. p. 58. Catib. cor. I. p. 14. t. 14. Mill. Diet. et illustr. Linn. III. gen. C. Linn. Pin. p. 22. F. Phys-top. p. 59. Theatr. p. 479. Joh. Baub. Bot. II. p. 450. Moris. Hist. III. p. 203. t. 7. Lob. Advers. p. 12. Obs. p. 23. ic. p. 38. Matth. lib. II. c. 88. Dod. prompt. IF. c. 28. p. 500. Ruell. stirpp. Hist. p. 348. Tring. p. 512. Brongf. Herb. p. 15. Plin. H. M. CXXVIII. 7. B. Cat. II. 21.

Oriza, Tabern. p. 676. Camer. Hort. p. 113. Oriz. Diosc. II. p. 117. Strab. XV. p. 34 et 35. \*Oriz. Theophr. h. pl. IF. 4. 10. (I. p. 133. ed. Sch.) III. p. 300. II. p. 97. F. p. 465. Spr. Ueberz. I. p. 145. Billerb. Fl. class. p. 95. Hordeum galaticum, Ruell. p. 348.

Variat glumis vel totis vel apice aureis, (Arrôz da Terra, incolis.)

- Variat glumis albis,
- " " purpurascensibus,
- " " muticis et caudatis.

Lour. Cochinch. l. c. Rumph. Amb. F. p. 196—201.

Provenit quasi sponte in graminosis agris in provin-ciarum Para et Rio Negro. e. g. retro Villas Tabanam barana et Jamma in lucubis et canalibus; in Mato grosso, ibidem praesertim in fluminibus et canalibus inundatorum Lago dos Xaraves dictorum frequent. In Piauhienis provincia, similibus locis provent.

2. ORYZA SUBULATA. †

O. hexandra, foliis linearibus elongatis, panícula racemosa composita rigida, rhachi ramisque triquetris scabris, glumis e basi dilatata sulcatis, valvula inferiore emulato-acuminata, apice triquetro-fistuloso.

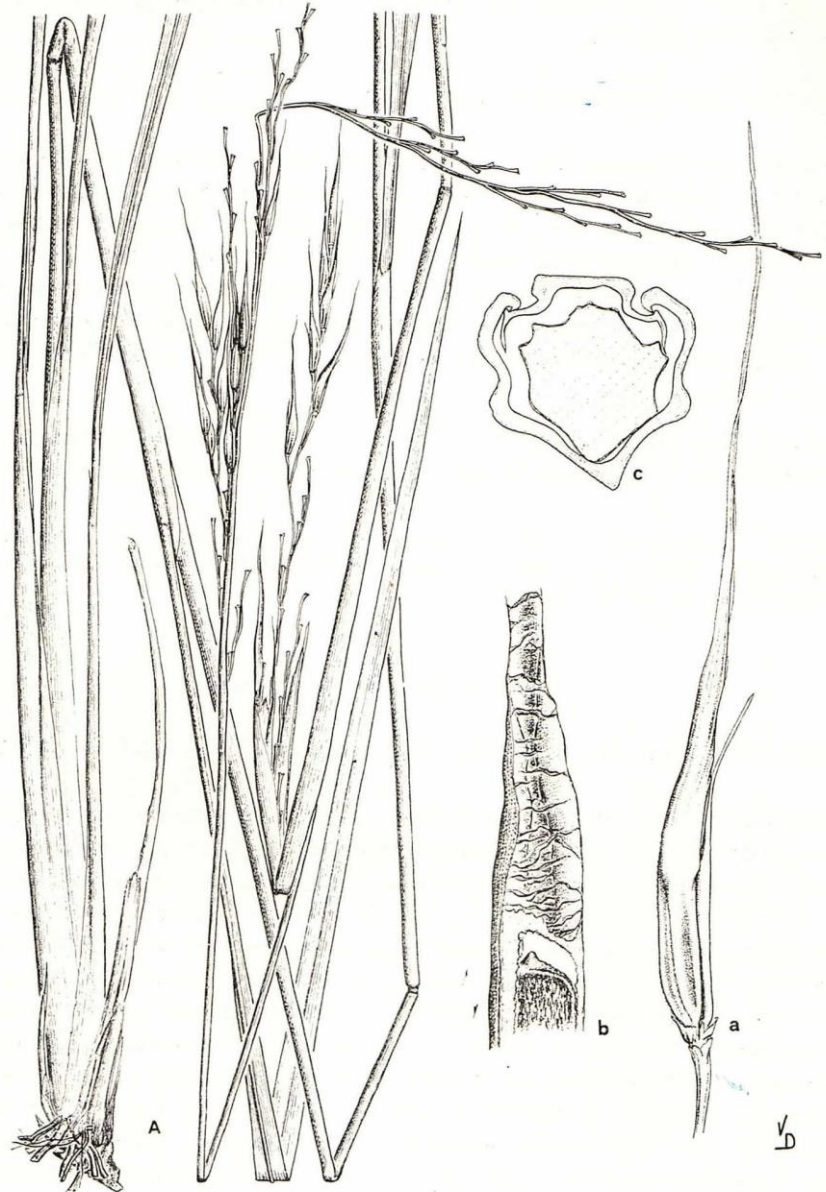
Habitu Oryzae sativae. E caudice descendente sub-horizontali fibrae prodeunt crassae, spongiosae, fibrillosae, fuscae. Culmus 4—6 pedes altus, pennae cygni crassiss. erectus, strictus, laevis, totus vaginatus. Vaginae inferiores distichae, compressae, dorso crasso convexo isth-mis intercepto, margine membranaceo, toto emarcescente et

pallide: superiores convolutae. Ligula exserta, membra-nacea, oblonga, acuta, in vaginae margines decurrens, gri-sea. Folia linearia, acuminata, stricta, 3 lineas lata, radi-calia cum vaginis 2½—3 pedes longa, culmea superiora breviora, omnia planiuscula, septemnervia, costa sub-vo prominenter crassa obtuse carinata, laeviuscula, margine scabra, subglabrescentia. Panícula racemosa pedalis, basi vagina suprema involuta, rhachi ramisque 3—4 pollicari-bus alternis vel suboppositis appressis rigidis undatis acute triquetris scabris. Pedunculi in ramis alterni, adpressi, rig-idi, compresso-triquetri; scabri, apice post spiculae lap-sum margine submembranaceo angulato subquadrilobato erecto papillam mediam circumdante cincto. Spicula nodo sulcatis inserta. Glumae perbreves: inferior major, lineam tamen vix superans, e basi dilatata utriusque uni- vel biden-tata subito in subulam carinatam uninervem margine serru-lato-scabram acuminata; superior paulo minor, e basi dilata-ta alteroque latere truncata oblique acuminata et hinc inter-dum inferne dente aucta. Valvula inferior ipsa quidem 3—4 lineas longa, obovato-trigona, antice fornicata, carinata, pallida, quinquenervis, ad nervos scabra, tum vero in subu-lam crassam rectam fistulosam triquetram trinervem ad ner-vos scabram herbaceo-virentem, pollicarem fere, extenuatur; valvula superior 3-linearis, coriacea, lanceolato-tri-quetra, fornicata, trinervis, ad nervos scabra, in can-dam angustam planam apice bidentatam 1½ lineam longam viridem scabram contracta. Lodícula una, anterior, membranacea, obcordata, complicata, lobis obtusis. Fila-menta (6.) filiformia. Germen oblongum, apice truncatum; styli breves et stigmata sparsa alba.

Habitat in confinibus regni Paraguayan et in Rio grande do Sul, lucis paludosis. (Sellow. — Vidi in Herb. Reg. Berol.) ☉?

Adnot. Ob singularem spiculae formam vix Oryzae sativae varietatibus accensenda est.

Obscr. Nostra quam altera jam sūt, quam cognovi-mus, species Americae indigena, neque de vera Oryzae sativae patria quidem constat, ad cl. Brownii regnu-m Americanum et eandem genuisse foret accipiendum.



specimen collected by Friedrich Sellow (s.n.) in E Paraguay also present in Rio Grande do Sul in Brazil type lost in Berlin (“Vidi in Herb. Reg. Berol.”) in 1943? considered as *Oryza* by Chevalier (1932), Parodi (1933) and Roschevicz (1931)

From: *Mémoire sur les Graminées*

by Nicaise Augustin Desvaux, 1813, page 77

mis sub-lenticularibus, pilosius culis. *Colitur in Indiâ.*

2. *ORYZA latifolia*, Desv. caule elato; foliis lanceolatis acutis glaberrimis, ligula occultata brevissima; panícula laxa maxima, ramis verticillatis, glumellis pilosis ovatis minutis, arista brevissima. *Habitat in Carolina, insulâque Portorici.*

Cette espèce est parfaitement distincte par ses feuilles et la disposition de ses rameaux, de toutes les variétés du riz cultivé : mais elle se rapproche de la variété  $\zeta$  pour la forme des glumelles.

according to Albert Spear Hitchcock (1927) this is an error;  
therein he claimed it to be present in Brazil and Ecuador

specimen collected by Louis Ventenat in Puerto Rico  
possibly around Laguna de Piñones east of San Juan  
(65° 56'W, 18° 24'N) in 1790-1800

according to Chevalier (1932) this specimen is not the type



by Alice Prodoehl, 1922, page 233

Paraguay, bei Itape (Balansa nr. 270).

12. *Oryza grandiglumis* Prod. nov. spec. - *Oryza sativa* var. 'grandiglumis' Döll in Mart. Flor. Brasil. II.2. (1871) 8.

Valida, certe metralis vel ultra. Culmi teretes, laeves, cum nodis glabri. Vaginae culmi quam internodia longiores vel raro breviores, nervo medio haud distincto praeditae obtuse carinatae, margine nunc raro glabrae nunc saepius pilis longis pubescentibus instructae, fauce subauriculatae. Ligulae breves, in fibrillas tenues solutae vel basin usque fissae. Laminae basi paullo rotundatim contractae, lanceolatae, nervo medio pervalido apicem versus evanescente praeditae, suberectae, membranaceae, margine pilis erectis scabrae, utraque facie praesertim apicem versus scabriusculae, usque ad 0,36 m longae. Inflorescentia longe stipitata, multiflora, dense paniculata, late pyramidata, suberecta, usque ad 0,25 m longa; axi validissimo, angulato, ad inflorescentiae insertionem lanato cet. glabro. Ramuli perlongi (ad 0,15 m) inferiores densissime conferti superiores remotiusculi, scabri, saepe ad  $\frac{1}{3}$  -  $\frac{1}{2}$  longit. steriles. Spiculae strictae, pedicellis paleas usque ad  $\frac{1}{2}$  aequantibus, apice paullo incrassatis stipitatae, per anthesin patulae. Glumae 2 superiores paleas ad  $\frac{5}{6}$  aequantes, vel iis subaequilongae, profunde sulcatae, lanceolatae, ad carinas setosulae, scabriusculae, mucronatae, coriaceae, punctato-striatae. Paleae item punctato-striatae, profunde sulcatae, ad carinas setosulae; inferior a latere visa lanceolata, scabriuscula, longe ciliatim mucronata; superior angustior, paullo mucronata, subfalcata, margine zona hyalina instructa. Stamina 6.

Brasilien (Riedel nr. 1261).

..... VII (1894) 168. - Padias' Meyeriana Zoll.

Collected by Ludwig Riedel as 1261 in Matto Grosso, Brazil

possibly collected on bank of river Guaporé in April 1828

(15° 10'S, 59° 45'W), between Matto Grosso and Cuiabá

holotype in WIR Saint Petersburg, Russia; isotype in K Kew, England

originally described by Döll (1871) as a variety of *O. sativa*



source: Kew Herbarium 2022

From: *The grasses of British Honduras and the Petén . . .*

by Jason Richard Swallen, 1936, page 156

*Oryza alta* Swallen

2. *Oryza alta* Swallen sp. nov.

*Oryza latifolia* var. *grandispiculis* Chevalier. Rev. Bot. Appl. 12: 1027. 1932 (in part). Two specimens are cited, *Dahlgren* and *Sella* 60 collected at Boa Vista, Pará, Brazil, and *Morong* 949 collected near the Pilcomayo River, Paraguay. The first better fits the description.

Perennis; culmi erecti, 3-4 m. alti, glabri; vaginæ internodiis breviores, auriculatæ, marginibus hispido-ciliatæ; laminæ planæ, acuminatæ, 25-80 cm. longæ, 20 to 28 mm. latæ, scaberulæ, marginibus scabris; ligula membranacea, hispido-ciliata, 5 mm. longa; panicula 30-40 cm. longa, languida, ramis ad 15 cm. longis basi nudis; spiculæ 8-9 mm. longæ, appressæ; glumæ acuminatæ, lunatæ, 4 mm. longæ; lemma carina et marginibus hispidis; arista scabra 2-3 cm. longa.

Perennial; culms erect or leaning, 3 to more than 4 m. tall, glabrous; sheaths shorter than the internodes, auriculate, glabrous, the margins usually hispid-ciliate; ligule membranaceous, lacerate to hispid ciliate, 5 mm. long; blades flat, acuminate, 25 to 80 cm. long, 20 to 28 mm. wide, scaberulous, the margins scabrous-serrulate; panicles open, drooping, 30 to 40 cm. long, the branches rather distant, densely pilose in the axils, naked on the lower half, the lower whorled, as much as 15 cm. long; spikelets 8 to 9 mm. long, appressed on the short branchlets, the lateral short-pedicellate, the terminal long-pedicellate; glumes lunate, narrow, acuminate, 1-nerved, about half as long as the spikelet; lemma minutely pitted, hispid on the keels and margins, unsymmetrically narrowed at the summit to a short scabrous beak, terminating in a scabrous or somewhat appressed-hispid awn 2 to 3 cm. long; palea slightly longer than the lemma, similar in texture, terminating in a hispid beak about 1 mm. long.

Type in the U. S. Nat. Herb. Nos. 1614041 and 1614042, collected in water, margin of the Amazon at Obidos, Pará, Brazil, July 19-20, 1934, by *Jason R. Swallen* (No. 5116).

Swamps, margins of rivers and lakes, British Honduras, Brazil, and Paraguay.

BRITISH HONDURAS. Stann Creek District: Stann Creek, *Schipp* 889. BRAZIL. Pará: Obidos, *Swallen* 5116. Boa Vista, Tapajos River, *Swallen* 3186; *Dahlgren* and *Sella* 60. Pará, *Myers* 2646.

PARAGUAY. Lake Ypacaray: *Hassler* 12602, 12602a.

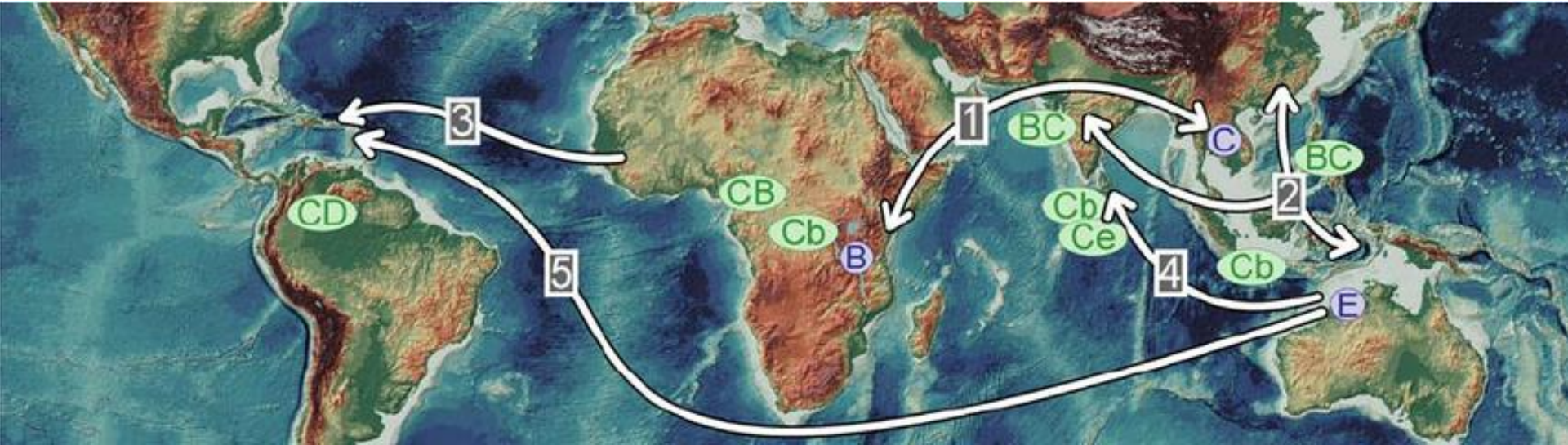


source: US National Herbarium 2022

it is a wild species because of shattering

collected by JR Swallen as 5116 near Obidos (1° 56'S, 55° 29'W), state of Pará, Brazil in July 1934

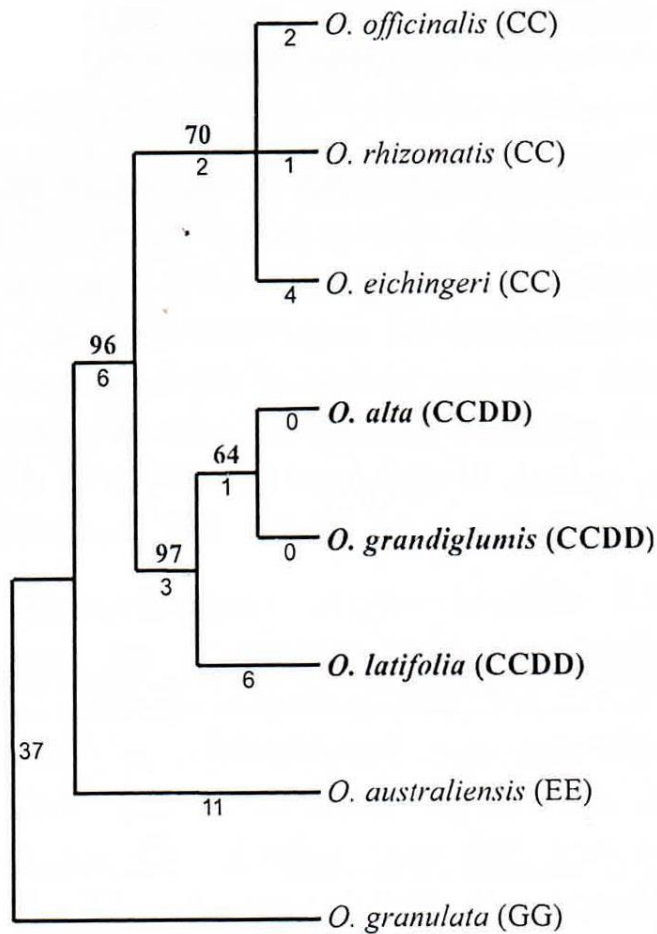
# The CCDD genome in tropical America explained by G. Second and G. Rouhan (2008)



source: Second & Rouhan 2008

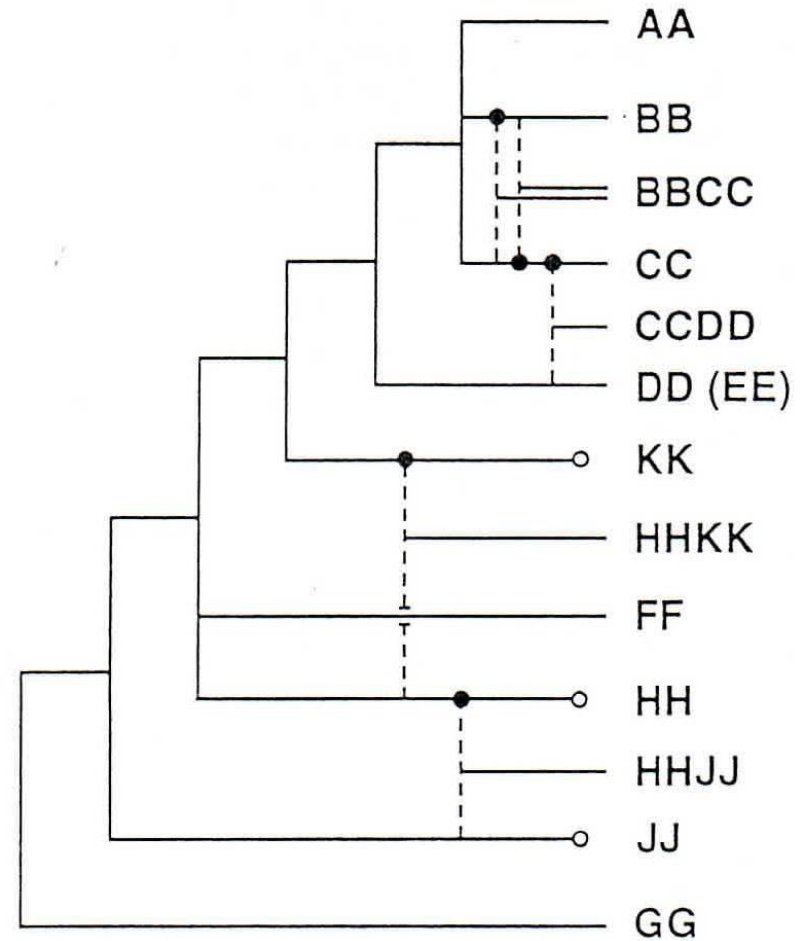
- Donor of the C genome: *O. officinalis* (CC) of tropical Asia (India to New Guinea)
- D genome not found so far in the whole genus, thus no DD species
- D genome seems related to the E genome, found only in *O. australiensis* (the sole EE species so far)
- C x E cross: F1 is completely sterile in pollen and seed; equal chromosomal pairing at meiosis only 38%
- **all *Oryza* materials are post-Columbian introductions (only *Rhynchoryza subulata* is ancient)**
- **all *O. glumaepatula* (A genome) would be weeds derived from *O. glaberrima* and/ or *O. sativa***
- **the D genome never exists, the E changed as pollen contributor when allopolyploidization occurred**
- ***O. latifolia* came first and the other two CCDD differentiated over the last 350 years**

## Parsimonious tree on 2 cpDNA fragments



source: Bao & Ge 2004

## Hypothesis based on 3 gene phylogenies



source: Ge et al. 1999

- the AA genome would be the one of most recent diversification
- the EE genome would be at the root of the CCDD genome
- *O. latifolia* would precede *O. alta* and *O. grandiglumis* (with 3 plastotypes: Dally & Second 1990)

From: *Synopsis Plantarum Graminearum*  
by Ernst Gottlieb Steudel, 1855, page 3

caucibus navescentibus; panicula magna; aristis brevibus;  
semine oblongo majusculo glutinoso plerumque albissimo,  
nigro vel rubro. Habitat in aquis et in siccis. ● Cochinchina.

5. *O. GLUMAEPATULA*. Steud. Foliis linearibus elongatis margine retrorsum scabris in lamina glabris; panicula racemosa subcontracta; glumis lanceolatis erecto-patulis albidis; valvulis setoso-hispidis, altera mucica altera aristata, aristis longissimis fructibus oblongis. *O. sativa*. Hochst. in Hrbo. Hostm. nr. 1195. ● Culta in Surinam.

6. *O. PUNCTATA*. Kotschy (in litt.). Foliis linearibus glauco-viridibus margine laminaque retrorsum scabris; panicula racemosa subcontracta; glumis lanceolatis subad-

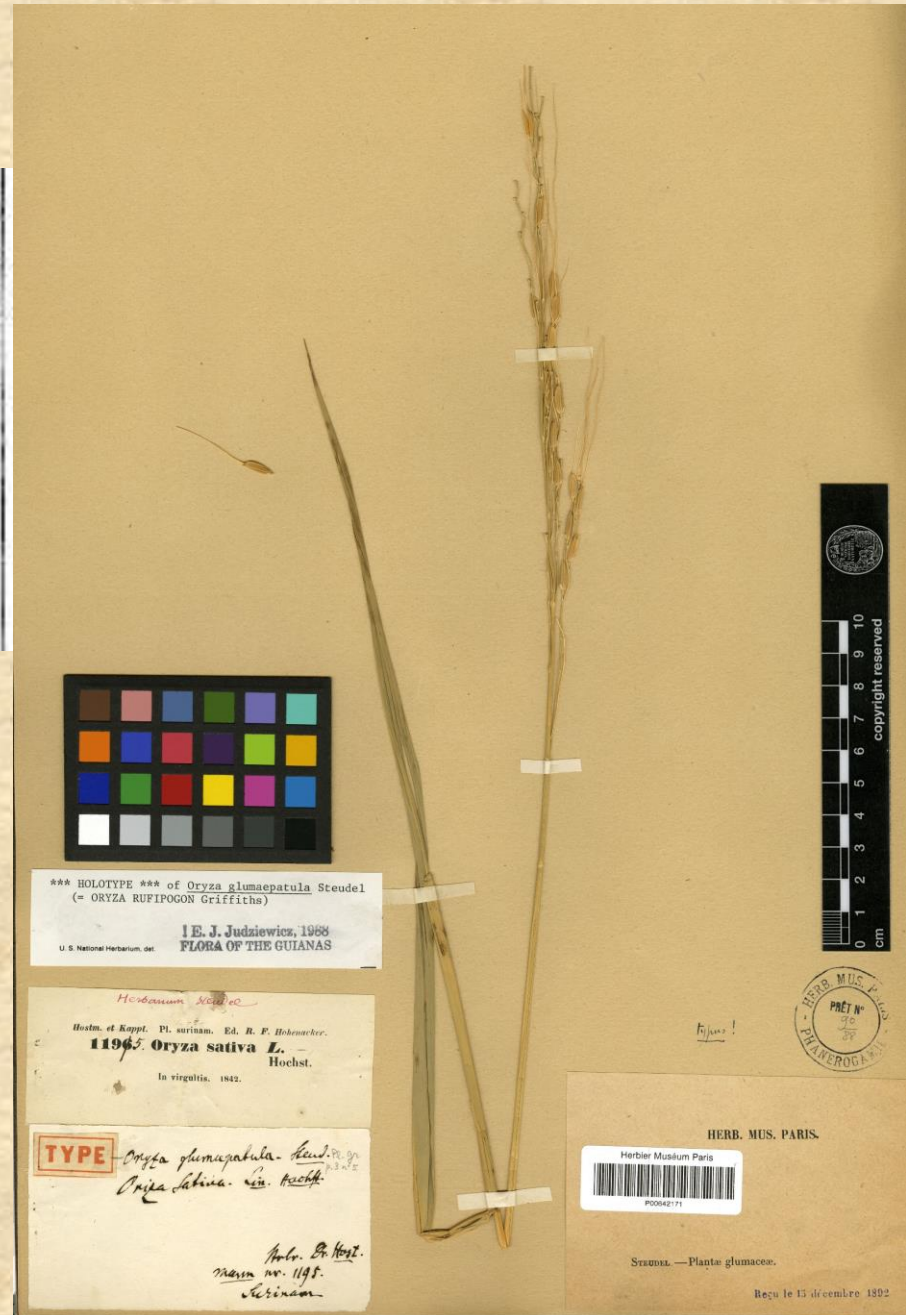
reported as annual

Culta in Surinam, not crescens in Surinam: cultivated?!

collected by F. W. Hostmann as 1195 in 1840 (?)

spikelets falling apart, thus wild!

not a *glaberrima*: long awn, glumes straw color



\*\*\* HOLOTYPE \*\*\* of *Oryza glumaepatula* Steudel  
(= *ORYZA RUFIPOGON* Griffiths)  
I E. J. Judziewicz, 1968  
FLORA OF THE GUIANAS  
U.S. National Herbarium, det.

Herbarium Kew  
Hostm. et Koppf. Pl. surinam. Ed. R. F. Hohenacker.  
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Multiple crosses between wild *Oryza* of AA genome  
**Australia**

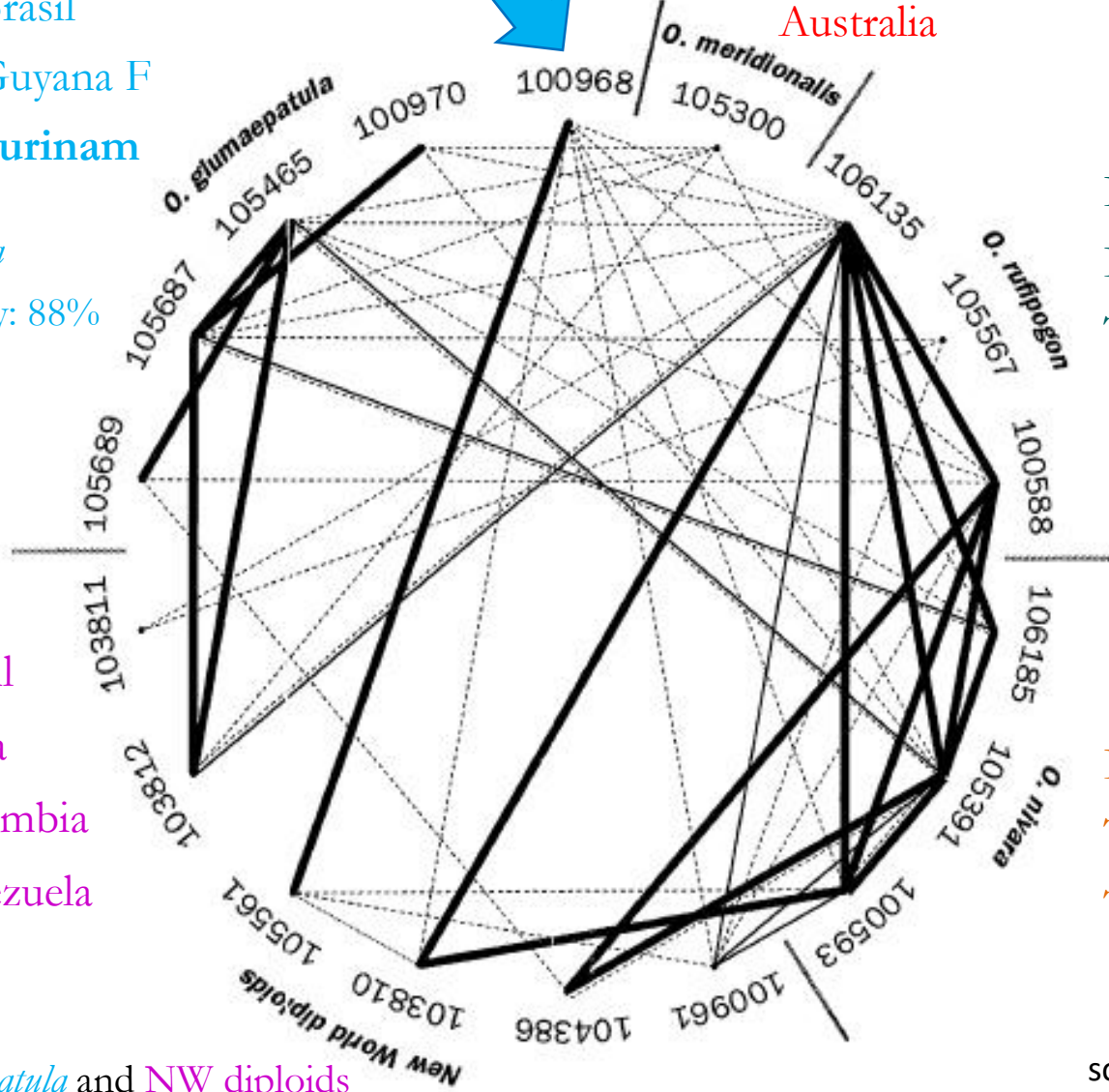
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within *glumaepatula*  
 F1 spikelet fertility: 88%

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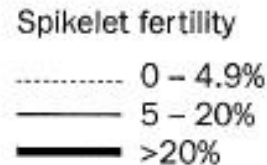
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between *glumaepatula* and NW diploids  
 F1 spikelet fertility: 0.3-87%

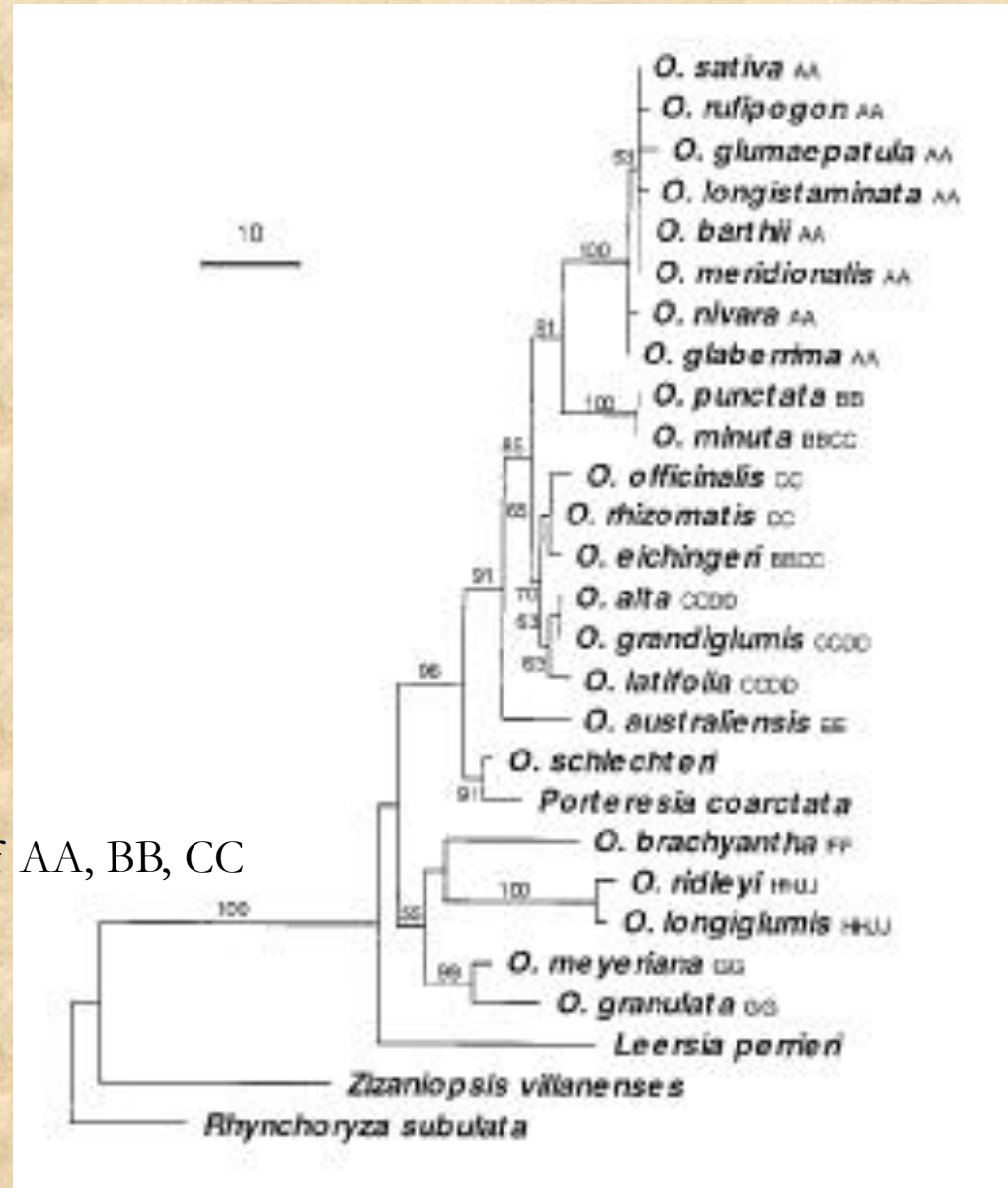
source: Naredo et al. 1998

within New World diploids  
 F1 spikelet fertility: 0.2-4%



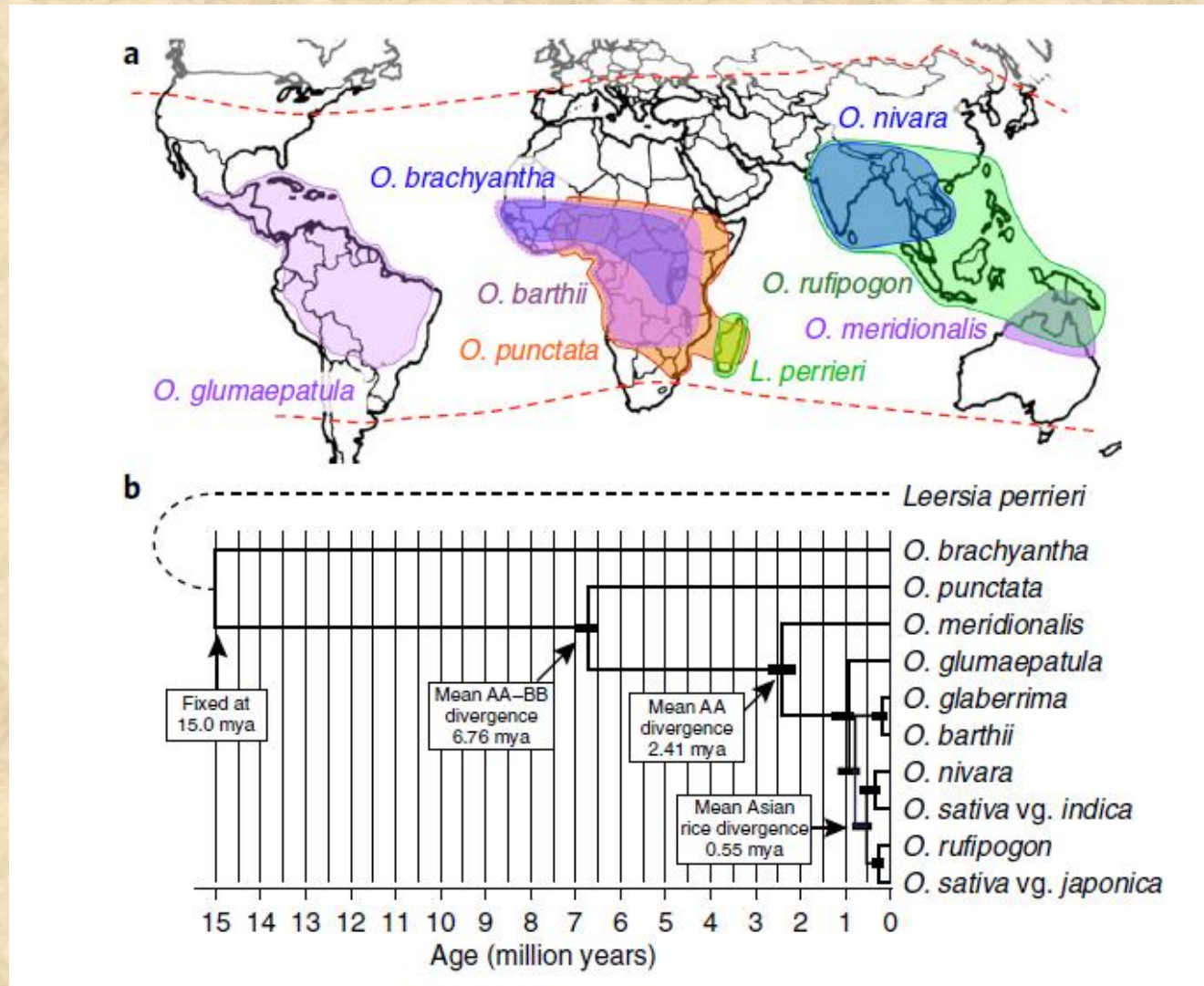
## Most parsimonious tree from cpDNA *matK* gene

- cpDNA maternally inherited in rice (Corriveau & Coleman 1988)
- *O. subulata* seems a true outgroup
- *P. coarctata* should be back in *Oryza* (Ge et al. 2002)
- *O. latifolia* would be the root of CCDD
- *O. alta* and *O. grandiglumis*: sister species
- *O. australiensis* (EE) would be the root of AA, BB, CC
- all AA species of recent divergence



# Phylogeny of AA rice genomes

- *O. meridionalis* would be separating from the rest of AA 2.4 mi years ago
- *O. meridionalis* (Australia) would be the root of the rest of AA
- *O. glumaepatula* of 1 mi years has affinities with *O. barthii*
- *O. nivara* would separate from *O. rufipogon* 0.5 mi years ago

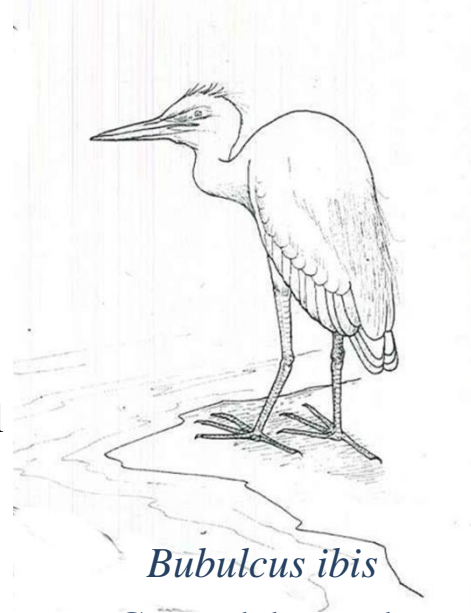


source: Stein et al. 2018

# American *Oryza* (AA and CCDD): would birds be involved?

Have birds brought the AA and/ or CC genome from Africa?

“Se encuentra en terreno seco . . . siguiendo a los arados en busca de insectos y otros pequeños animales. Oriunda de África, esta especie ha invadido todo el continente americano.”, H Alvarez-López, 1999, p. 30.



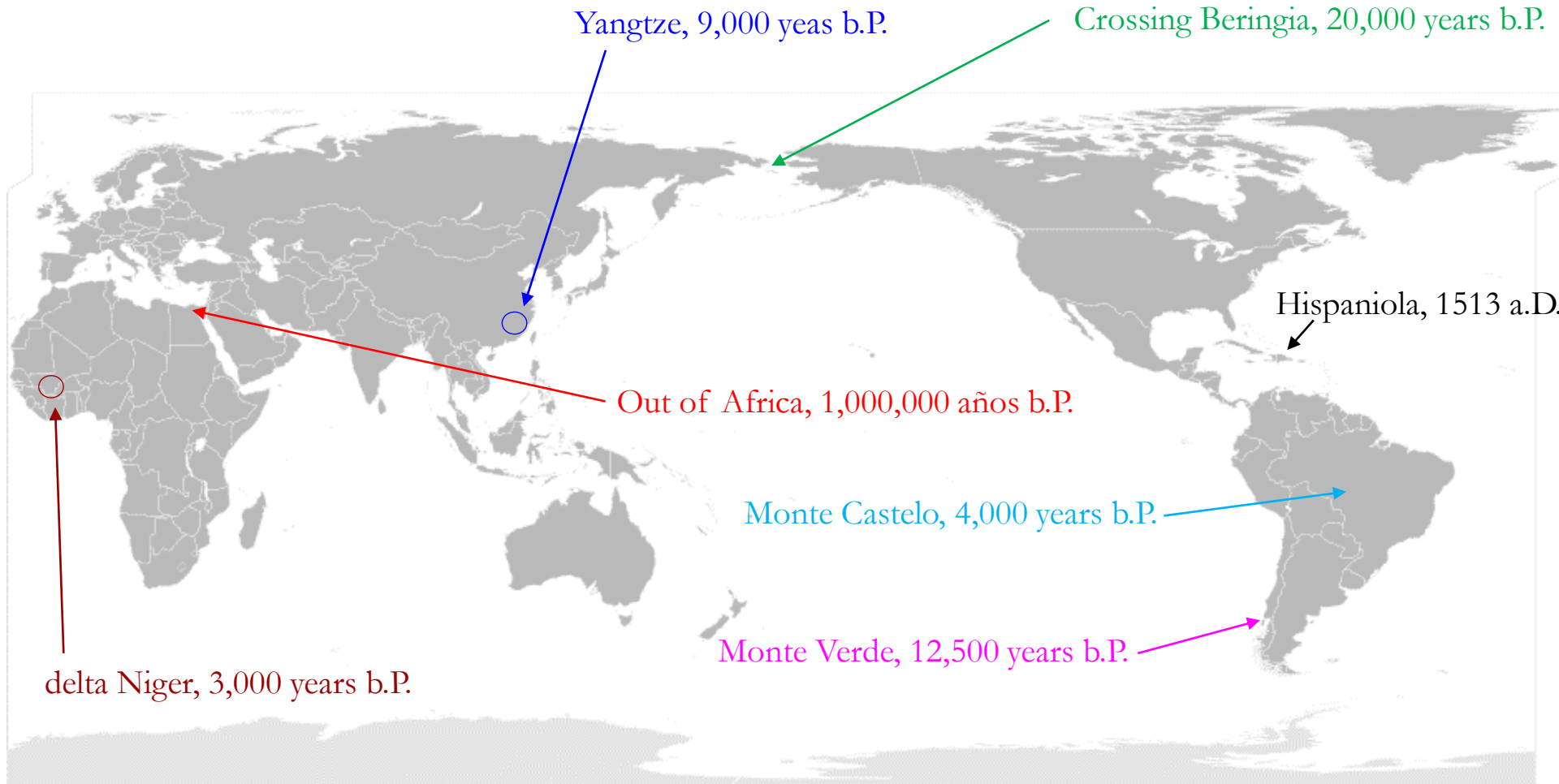
*Bubulcus ibis*  
Garza del ganado

“Su lugar de origen es África, de donde llegó a Colombia a fines de la década de 1910, tal vez arrastradas por una tormenta”, C U Hurtado, 2002, p. 223.

“First reported in Colombia in 1917 . . . An invader from the Old World . . .”, Hilty & Brown, 1986, p. 66.

low probability, because migratory birds are not seed eaters, they eat flying (insects) and migrate from temperate to the tropics or N-S (poor weather for their food)

# American *Oryza* (AA and CCDD): re-thinking the scenario



- the first human migration into the Americas could not have introduced rice
- ages and inheritance of diversity markers do not fit within an evolution over 400 years

sources: Dillehay et al. 2015, Gutaker et al. 2020, Hilbert et al. 2017, Sauer 1993, Wang et al. 2014, Wells 2003

## A few concluding remarks

- *O. latifolia* shows higher diversity between populations as compared to *O. alta* and *O. grandiglumis* (expected because of its wide distribution) (Aggarwal et al. 1996)
- “the three CCDD Latin American tetraploid species are independent species”, also crossability barriers and high F1 sterility (Aggarwal et al. 1996)
- *O. glumaepatula* is not a red rice escaped from cultivation; existing for 1 mi years, from S Mexico to S Brazil *O. glumaepatula* displays significant molecular variation
- *O. glumaepatula* is not genetically compatible with other New World diploids; in the latter some might be red rices, others are different biological entities

⇒ we certainly need a better sampling of non cultivated *Oryza* in the Neotropics

⇒ we also need molecular clocks for the CCDD species

⇒ in many watersheds of LAC (including 4 in Colombia) it is five minutes to midnight!

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