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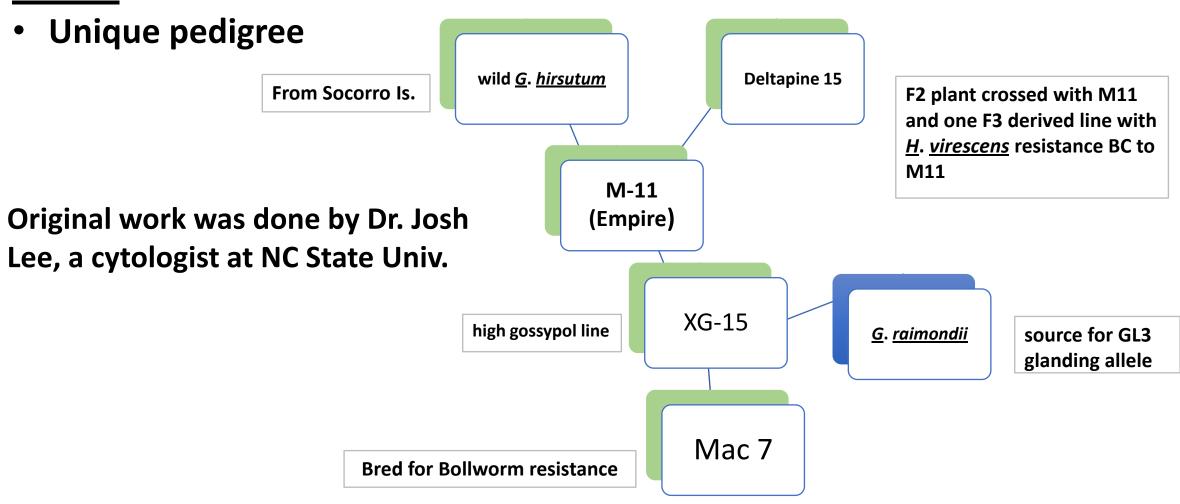
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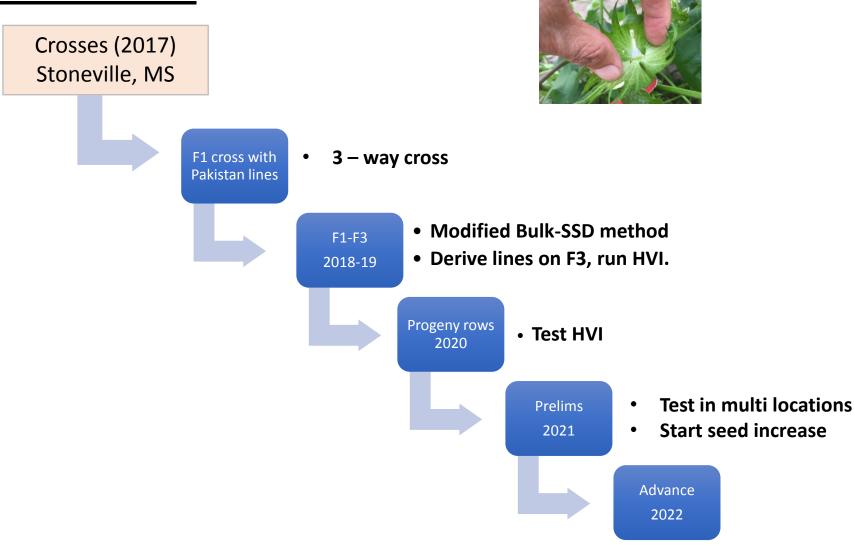
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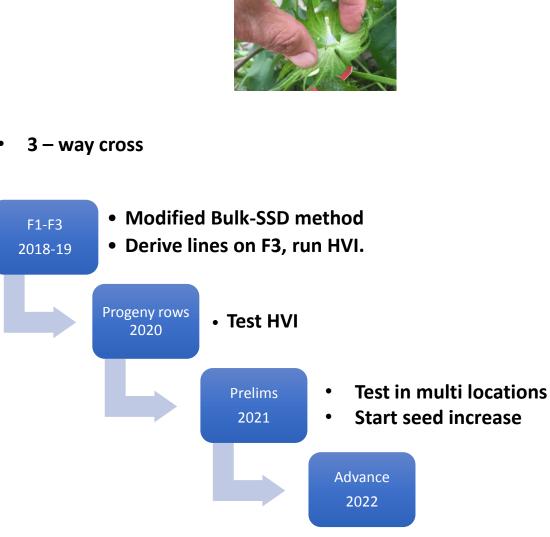
Crosses (2017)
Stoneville, MS

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F1-F3
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  - Researchers in Pakistan are using the diploid (<u>G</u>. <u>arboreum</u>) as a source of resistance.

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