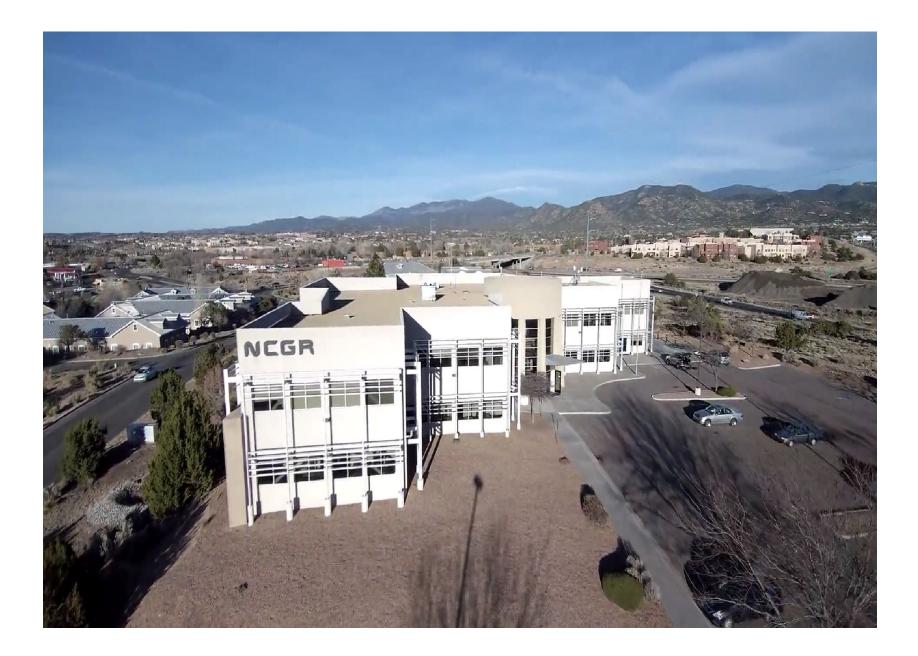
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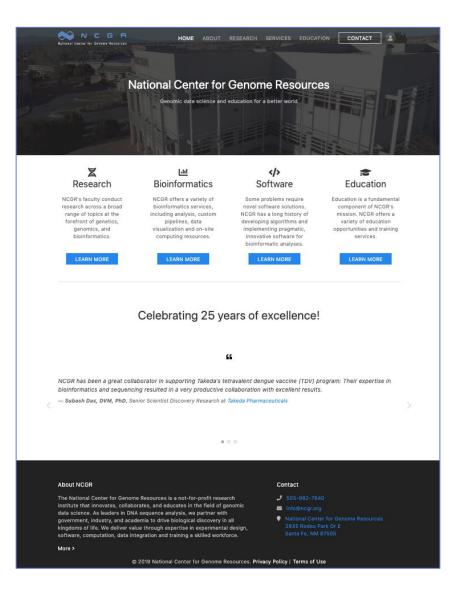




# NCGR History

- New Mexico non profit
- Formed in 1994
- Software and database support for the DOE human genome project
- Research
- Bioinformatics
- Software
- Education





## NCGR Mission

The National Center for Genome Resources is a not-for-profit research institute that innovates, collaborates, and educates in the field of genomic data science. As leaders in DNA sequence analysis, we partner with government, industry, and academia to drive biological discovery in all kingdoms of life. We deliver value through expertise in experimental design, software, computation, data integration and training a skilled workforce.

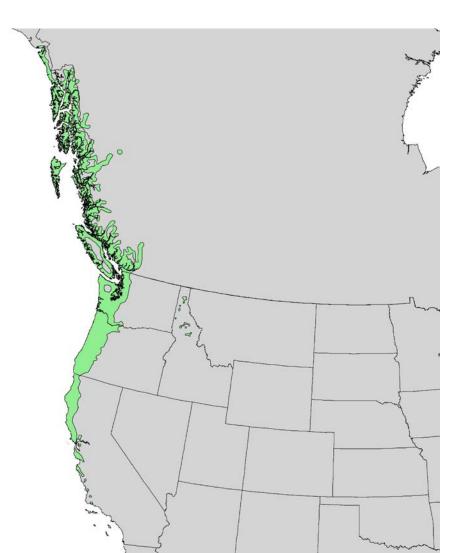
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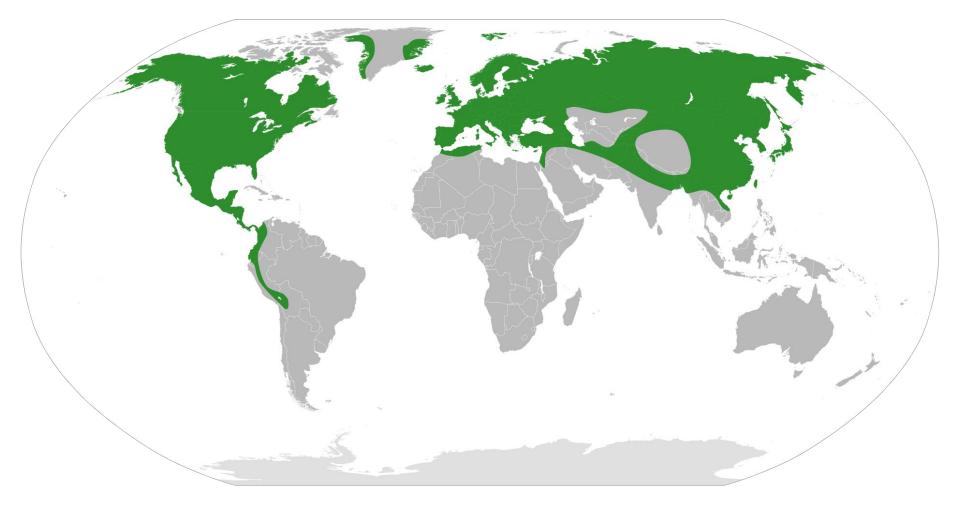


#### **Red Alder Distribution**

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alnus\_rubra

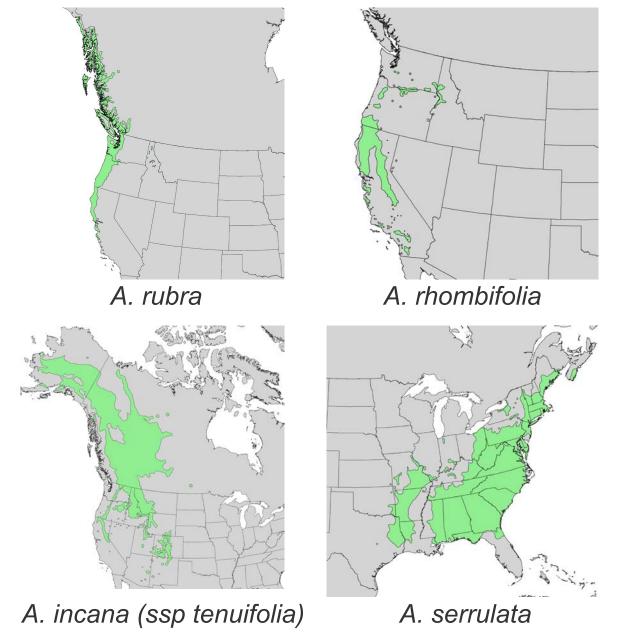


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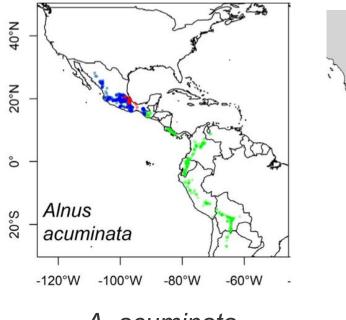


Distribution of the alders (genus *Alnus*), based on **Silvester WB.** (1977). "Dinitrogen fixation by plant associations excluding legumes." *in* **Hardy RFW, Gibson AH** (ed.), *A Treatise on Dinitrogen Fixation. Section IV: Agronomy and Ecology*. John Wiley and Sons, New York, p. 141–190.

#### North American Alnus distribution



## North American Alnus distribution (cont.)





A. acuminata

A. oblongifolia

A. jorullensis

https://doi.org/10.1111/ddi.13275

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alder https://archive.org/details/atlasofunitedsta1314litt/page/n47/mode/1up

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- New Mexico INBRE (IDEA Network for Biomedical Research Excellence) <u>https://nminbre.nmsu.edu/</u>
  - 1. Network Development: to provide leadership, management and oversight
  - 2. Research Development: build to increase the thematically research base
  - 3. Student Development: provide research experience and education to engage students
  - 4. Workforce Development:enhance science and technology knowledge of the state's workforce
  - 5. Collaboration Development:share established programs and infrastructure through a tristate Regional Alliance of INBRE Networks

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- RESEARCH-PGR: Deciphering the molecular basis of elite red alder lines and their Frankia alni symbionts
- NSF award 1547842

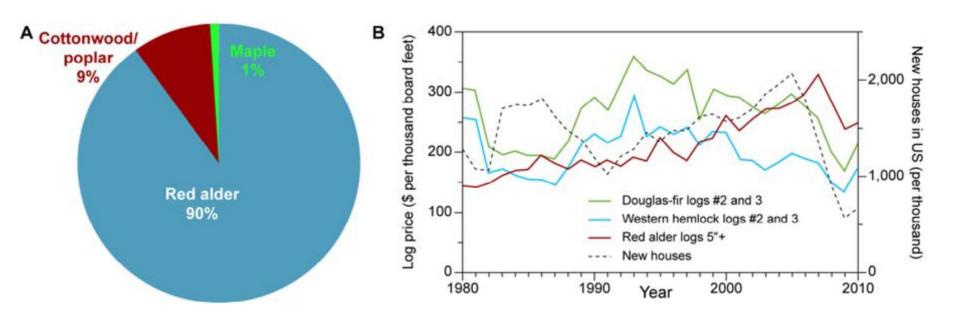




# Norman G. Lewis

- Weyerhaeuser. Inc.
- Licensed alder program to WSU
- Field trials
- Elite clone collection
- Collection of Frankia strains

#### Economics of red alder



**A.** Pie chart showing typical annual usage in Washington State.1 **B.** Historical (1980-2010) changes in red alder wood's relative value/importance. %).

The Washington Hardwoods Commission (2002) A Hardwood Resource Assessment for Western Washington.

www.westernhardwood.org/Miscellaneous/GIS\_hardwood\_inventory\_6.pdf.

## **Board Foot**

A unit of volume for timber equal to 144 cubic inches, notionally twelve inches by twelve inches by one inch.













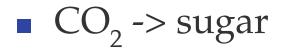


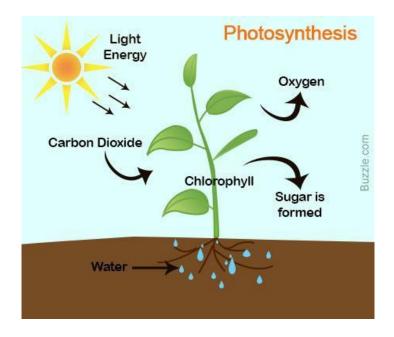


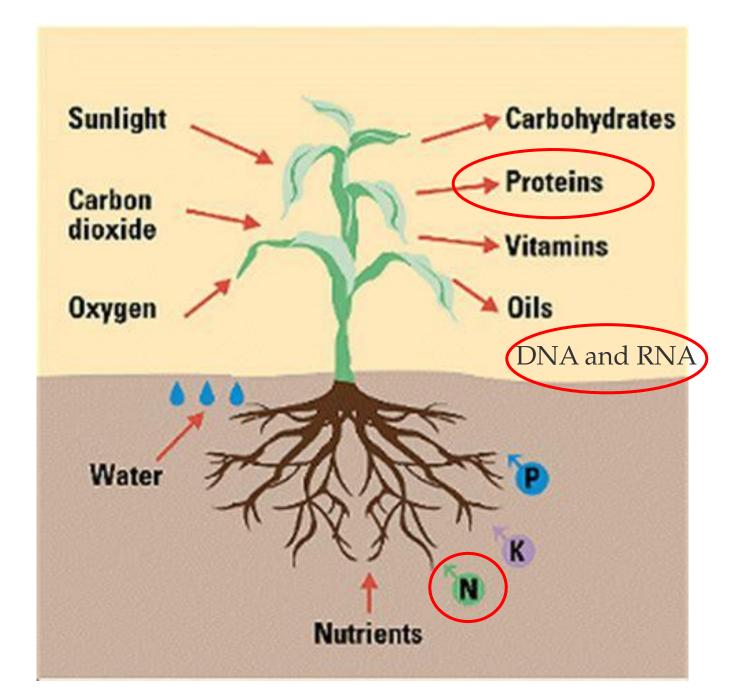


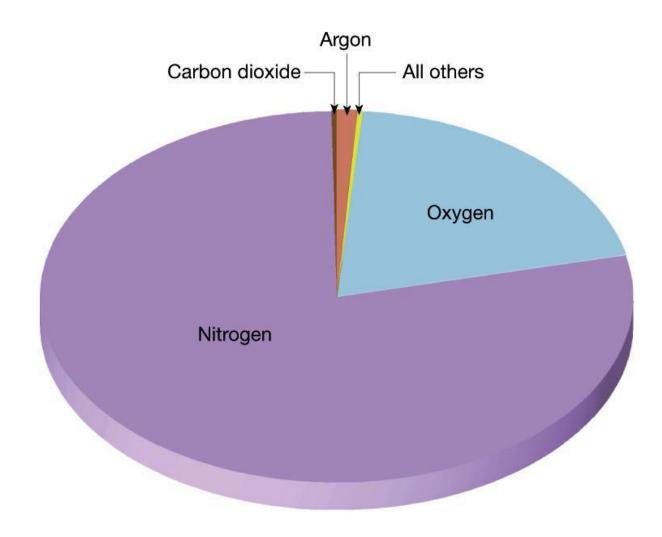


## (almost) all life on earth depends on two biochemical reactions

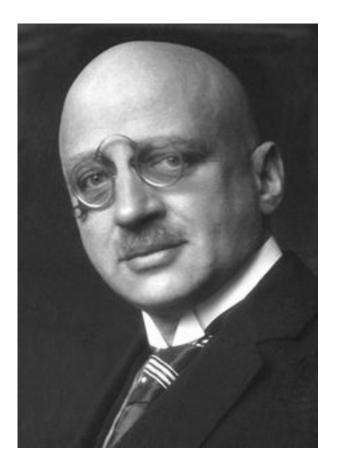




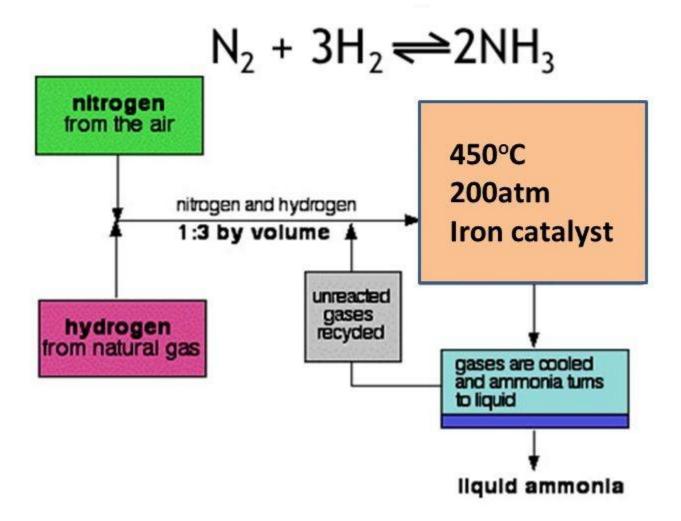




 $\mathbb{N}_2 \to \mathbb{NH}_3 (-> \mathbb{NO}_4)$ 



#### Fritz Haber



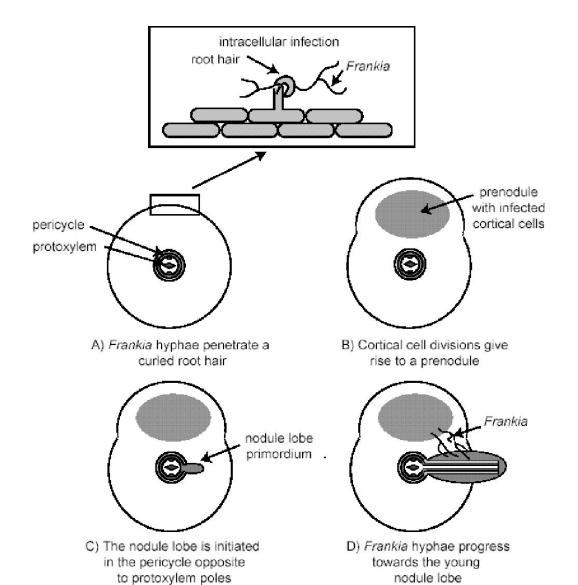
## Global 2011 cost in fossil fuels

- Haber process used ~ 10<sup>19</sup> Joules
- World energy production is ~ 4 x 10<sup>20</sup> Joules
- So about 2.5% of all energy goes to the Haber process



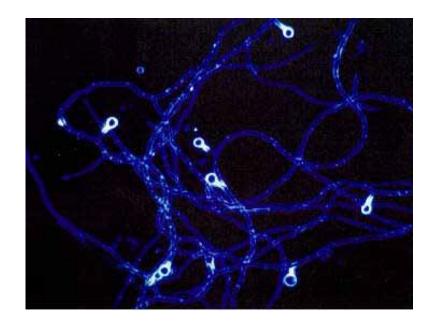
#### Nodule initiation

#### DOI:10.5897/AJB2003.000-1104







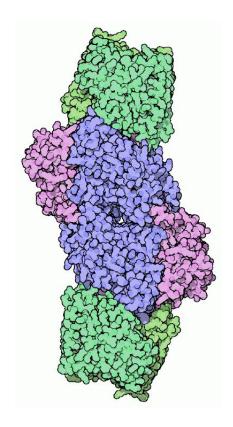


# **Biological Nitrogen Fixation**

- Nitrogenase Enzyme
- Fe protein. Dinitrogen reductase (nifH) dimer
- MoFe protein. Nitrogenase (nifDK) alpha dimer, beta dimer

N2 + 8 H+ + 16 MgATP + 8 e-

 $\rightarrow$  2 NH3 + H2 + 16 MgADP + 16 Pi



Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA Vol. 92, pp. 2647–2651, March 1995 Evolution

# Chloroplast gene sequence data suggest a single origin of the predisposition for symbiotic nitrogen fixation in angiosperms

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Prokaryote	Family	Total no. of genera*/genera having root nodules <sup>†</sup>
Rhizobium	Fabaceae	640/most
	Ulmaceae	18/1
Frankia	Betulaceae	6/1
	Casuarinaceae	4/4
	Elaeagnaceae	3/3
	Myricaceae	3/2
	Rhamnaceae	55/7
	Rosaceae	100/5
	Datiscaceae	3/1
	Coriariaceae	1/1

Table 1. Angiosperm families that participate in nodular nitrogen-fixing symbioses and the frequency of this association in each family

\*From Cronquist (3).

<sup>†</sup>From Akkermans and van Dijk (4), Bond (5), and Torrey and Berg (6).

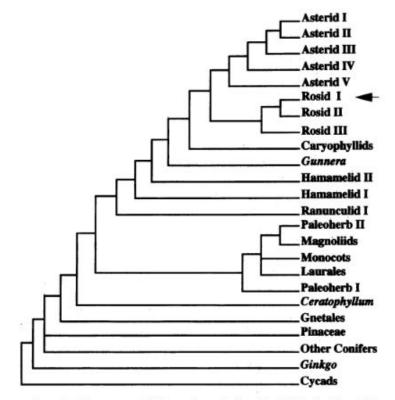
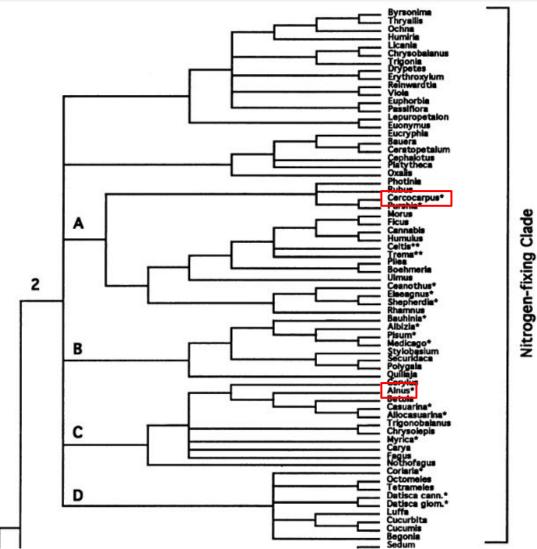
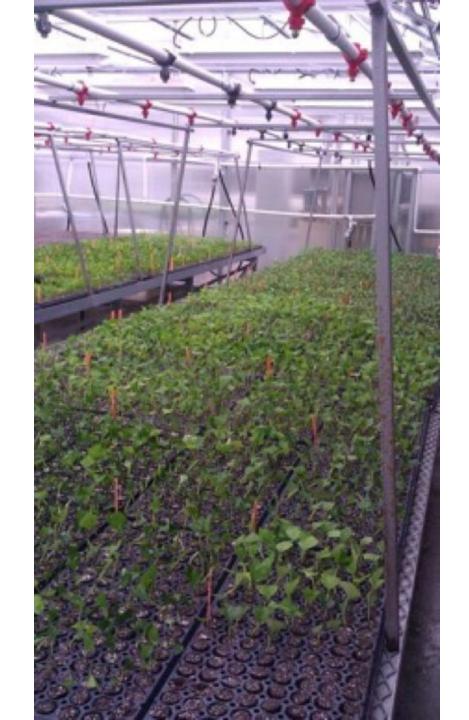


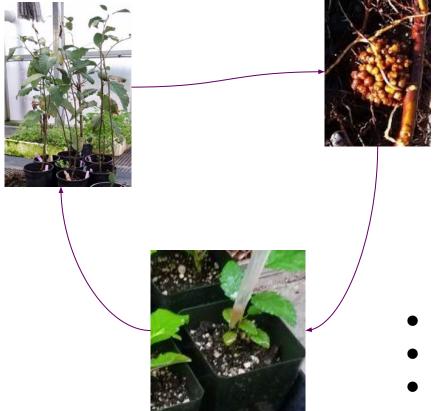
FIG. 1. Summary of the major clades identified in the strict consensus of 3900 equally parsimonious trees based on *rbcL* sequences for 499 taxa (17).







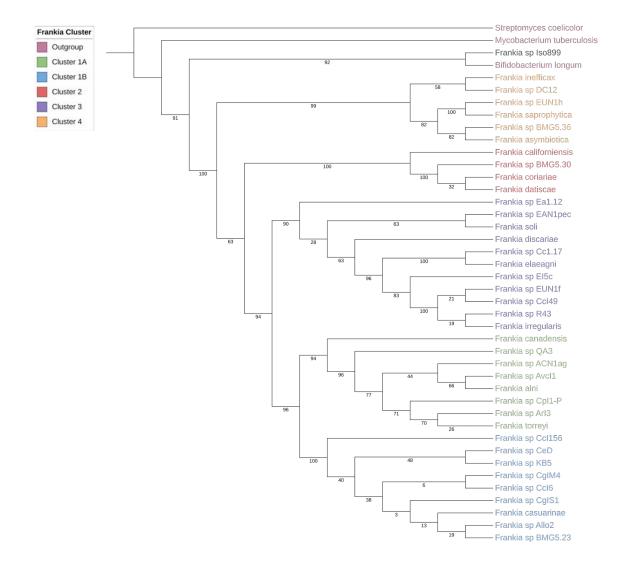
# Serially propagated Frankia "strains"



B11
T15
B16
B15
T4

- "Five Frankia Mix"
- Elite mixture
- Commercial nursery operations

# glnA1 (protein) phylogeny



## The genus Frankia

Cluster 1A: Nodulates Myricaceae and Betulaceae (Alnus).

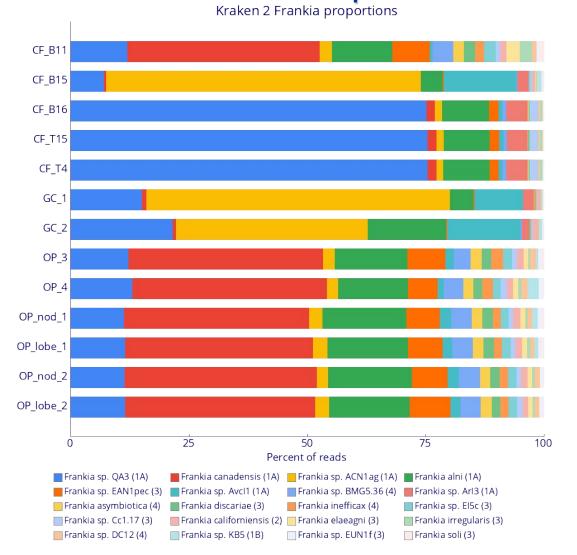
Cluster 1B: Nodulates Myricaceae and Casuarinaceae.

Cluster 2: Wide host range (Coriariaceae, Datiscaceae, Rhamnaceae (only Ceanothus), Dryadoideae). Four families, six continents. Difficult to culture.

Cluster 3: Nodulate most actinorhizal members of the Rosales, that is, Elaeagnaceae; Rhamnaceae except for Ceanothus sp.; and Gymnostoma and Morella, two outlier genera of the Fagales.

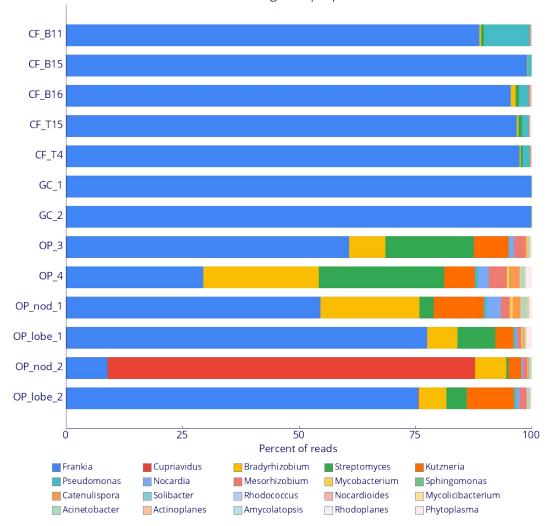
Cluster 4: Non-infective or ineffective strains.

## Nodules contain multiple Frankia spp.

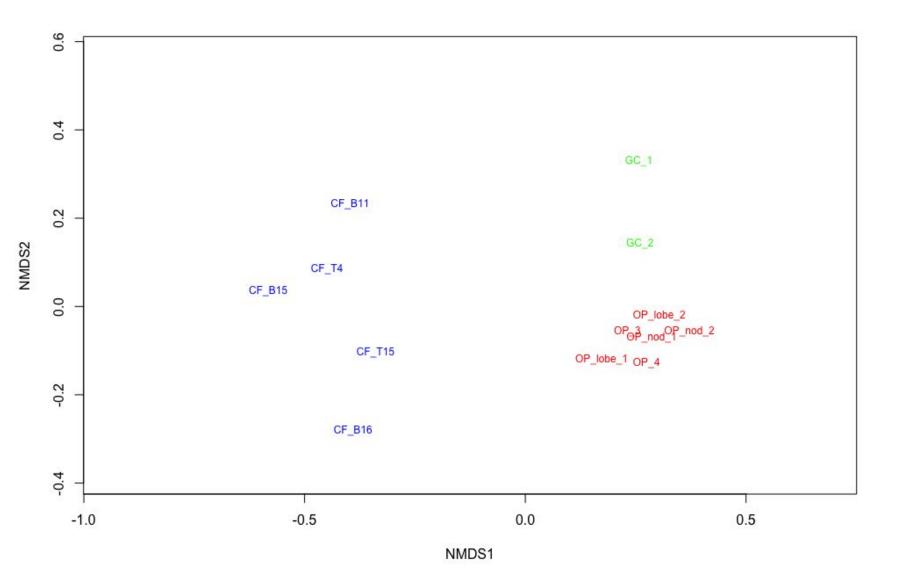


## Nodules contain multiple genera

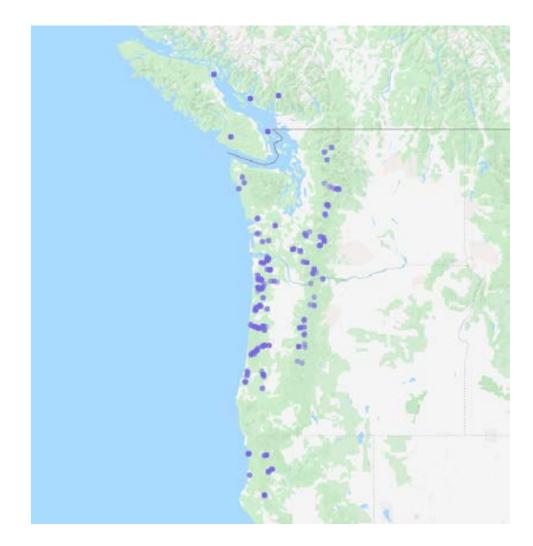
Kraken 2 genus proportions



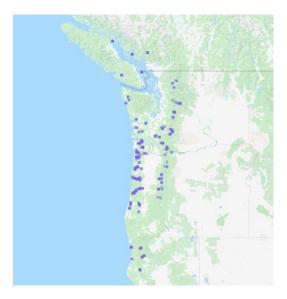
## MDS based on genera



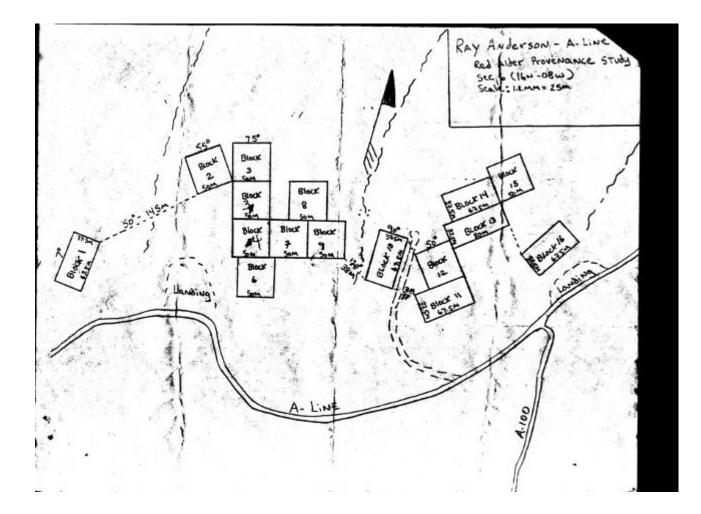
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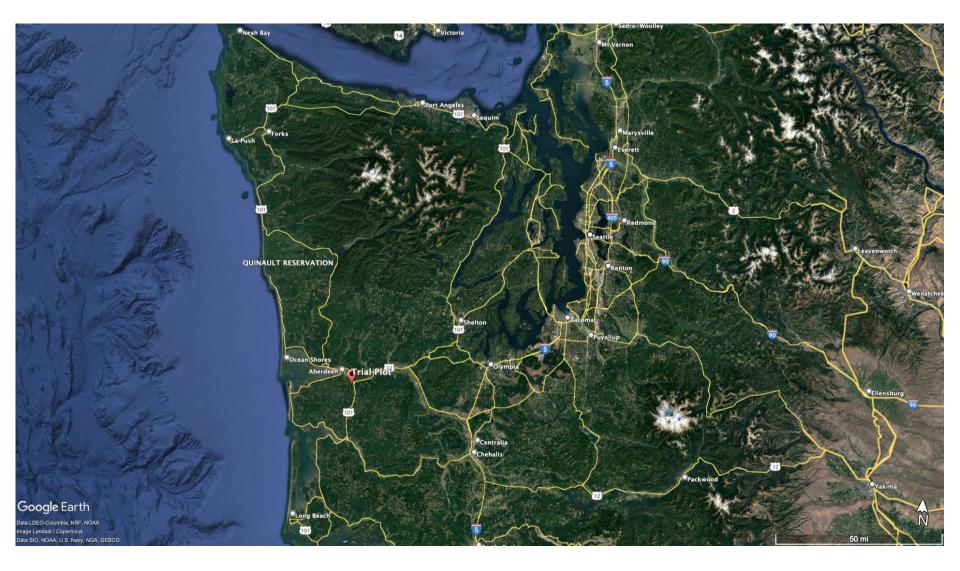


# Weyerhaeuser provenance trial



- Seed from one tree
- Open pollinated
- 16 half-siblings
- Planted in a common location
- Randomized into 16 blocks









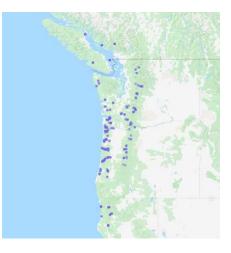






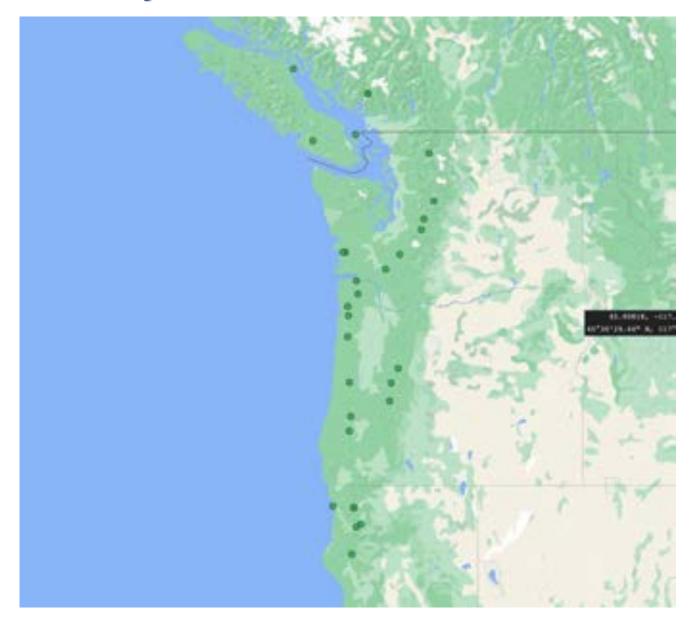


# Evaluate genetic variation by GBS



- Best and worst growing tree from each family of 16
- ApeK1 digestion
- 7.7 M 101 bp reads per sample (N~ 550)
- **58,000 SNPs**

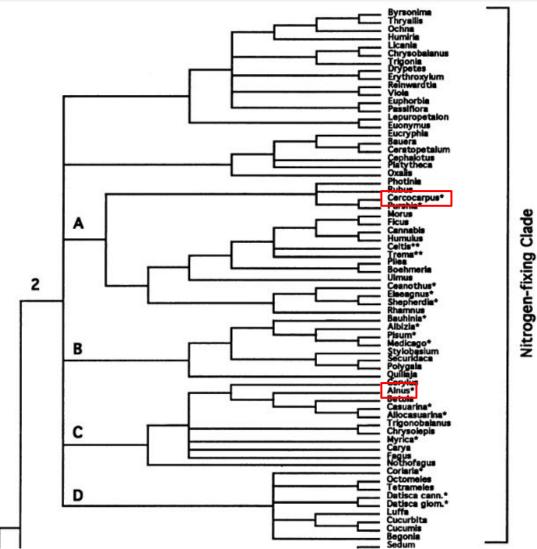
#### Survey root nodule microbiota



## Survey root nodule microbiota



- Divided range into bands of 2° latitude
- Selected 6 trees randomly in each
- Collected 3 nodules per tree
- Collected adjacent soil
- Metagenome sequencing

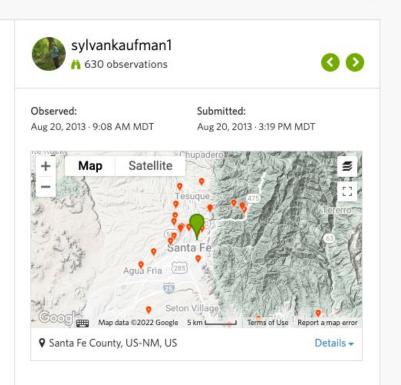


#### Cercocarpus montanus

https://www.inaturalist.org/observations/371450

Alderleaf Mountain Mahogany (Cercocarpus montanus) Research Grade





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