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S1 [001] **Abstract** S1 [002] Summary Summary S1 [003] The Genome-Wide Association Studies (GWAS) are essential to determine the genetic bases of either ecological or economic phenotypic variation across individuals within populations of the model and non-model organisms. The Genome-Wide Association Studies (GWAS) are essential to determine the genetic bases of either ecological ... \dots or economic phenotypic variation \dots ... across individuals within populations of the model and non-model organisms. S1 [004] For this research question, the GWAS replication testing different parameters and models to validate the results' reproducibility is common. For this research question, the GWAS replication testing different parameters and models to validate the results' reproducibility is common. S1 [005] However, straightforward methodologies that manage both replication and tetraploid data are still missing. However, straightforward methodologies that manage both replication and tetraploid data are still missing.

S1 [006] To solve this problem, we designed the MultiGWAS, a tool that does GWAS for diploid and tetraploid organisms by executing in parallel four software, two designed for polyploid data (GWASpoly and SHEsis) and two for diploids data (GAPIT and TASSEL).

To solve this problem, ...
... we designed the MultiGWAS, ...
... a tool ...
... that does GWAS ...
... for diploid ...

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... and tetraploid organisms ...
     ... by executing ...
     ... in parallel four software, ...
     ... two designed ...
     ... for polyploid data ...
     ... (GWASpoly ...
     ... and SHEsis) ...
     ... and two ...
     ... for diploids data ...
     ... (GAPIT ...
     ... and TASSEL).
MultiGWAS has several advantages.
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It runs either in the command line or in a graphical interface; it manages different genotype
formats, including VCF.
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     ... or in a graphical interface; ...
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     ... including VCF.
Moreover, it allows control for population structure, relatedness, and several quality control
checks on genotype data.
     Moreover, ...
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     ... for population structure, ...
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     ... and several quality control checks ...
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Besides, MultiGWAS can test for additive and dominant gene action models, and through a
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     ... for additive ...
     ... and dominant gene action models, ...
     ... through a proprietary scoring function, ...
     ... select the best model ...
     ... to report its associations.
Finally, it generates several reports that facilitate identifying false associations from both the
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significant and the best-ranked association SNP among the four software.

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... from both the significant ...

... that facilitate identifying false associations ...

S1 [007]

S1 [008]

S1 [009]

S1 [010]

S1 [011]

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... among the four software.
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S1 [012] We tested MultiGWAS with public tetraploid potato data for tuber shape and several simulated data under both additive and dominant models.

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... with public tetraploid potato data ...
... for tuber shape ...
... and several simulated data ...
... under both additive ...
... and dominant models.
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S1 [013] These tests demonstrated that MultiGWAS is better at detecting reliable associations than using each of the four software individually.

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... that MultiGWAS is better ...
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S1 [014] Moreover, the parallel analysis of polyploid and diploid software that only offers Multi-GWAS demonstrates its utility in understanding the best genetic model behind the SNP association in tetraploid organisms.

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Moreover, ...
... the parallel analysis ...
... of polyploid ...
... and diploid software ...
... that ...
... only offers Multi-GWAS demonstrates its utility ...
... in understanding the best genetic model behind the SNP association ...
... in tetraploid organisms.
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S1 [015] Therefore, MultiG-WAS probed to be an excellent alternative for wrapping GWAS replication in diploid and tetraploid organisms in a single analysis environment.

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... Begum et al., 2012].

S2 [018] This methodology started with humans and several model plants, such as rice, maize, and Arabidopsis [Lauc et al., 2010, Tian et al., 2011, Cao et al., 2011, Korte and Farlow, 2013, Han and Huang, 2013].

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... and Huang, 2013].

S2 [019] Because of the advances in the high-throughput sequencing technology and the decline of the sequencing cost in recent years, there is an increase in the availability of genome sequences of different organisms at a faster rate [Ekblom and Galindo, 2011, Ellegren, 2014].

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