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Assessing fusarium damaged kernels by digital picture analysis

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Fusarium Head Blight (FHB) is a cereal disease that induces important yield losses and contaminates the kernels with mycotoxins^[1]. In order to determine the plants resistance level, the more accurate method is to evaluate the mycotoxin content in the kernel samples. The cost of this direct check remains prohibitive. As infected kernels are smaller, shriveled and whiter, another method widely used is to visually estimate the proportion of Fusarium Damaged Kernels (FDK). This method is an easy and efficient way to estimate the mycotoxin content but is time consuming and labor intensive. Digital picture analysis could be a very good option to simplify evaluation. With this new method, pictures are taken with a simple camera in controlled light conditions. We used RGB criteria to segregate the picture's pixels in 3 categories: Background pixels, Healthy-grain pixels and Diseased-grain pixels. The Whitened Kernel Surface (WKS) is then calculated as the proportion of diseased-grain pixels. We tested this method on 150 infected bead wheat samples and 50 infected triticale samples. We showed a high Pearson correlation between FDK and WKS (p=0.7 for bread wheat and triticale), and between mycotoxin content and WKS (p=0.85 for bread wheat and ρ =0.6 for triticale). This new notation criterion based on pictures analysis is a promising tool for breeders and researchers. It is as efficient as the traditional visual notation and happens to be faster, easier and more stable. A very economical way to evaluate mycotoxin content and to enable the large scale scoring and ranking needed to select resistant cereal varieties for the future.

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