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(54) METHOD OF PRODUCING DOUBLE LOW RESTORER LINES OF BRASSICA NAPUS HAVING A GOOD AGRONOMIC VALUE

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(57) ABSTRACT

A method of producing double low restorer line of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cytoplasmic male sterility (cms) pre-senting radish introgression carrying the Rfo restorer gene deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterized by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour. A method of forming *Brassica napus* hybrid seeds and progeny thereof. The seeds of *Brassica napus* and use of the combined markers PGIol, PGIunt, PGIint, BolJon and CP418 for characterising.

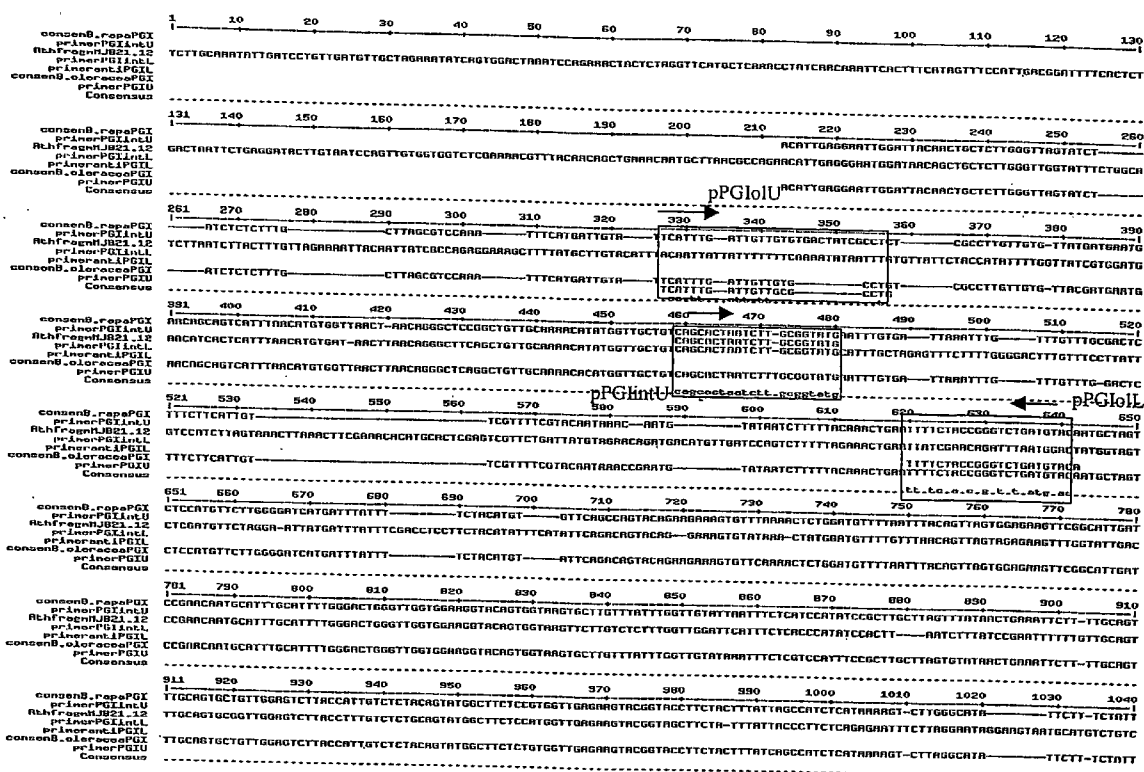


Fig 1

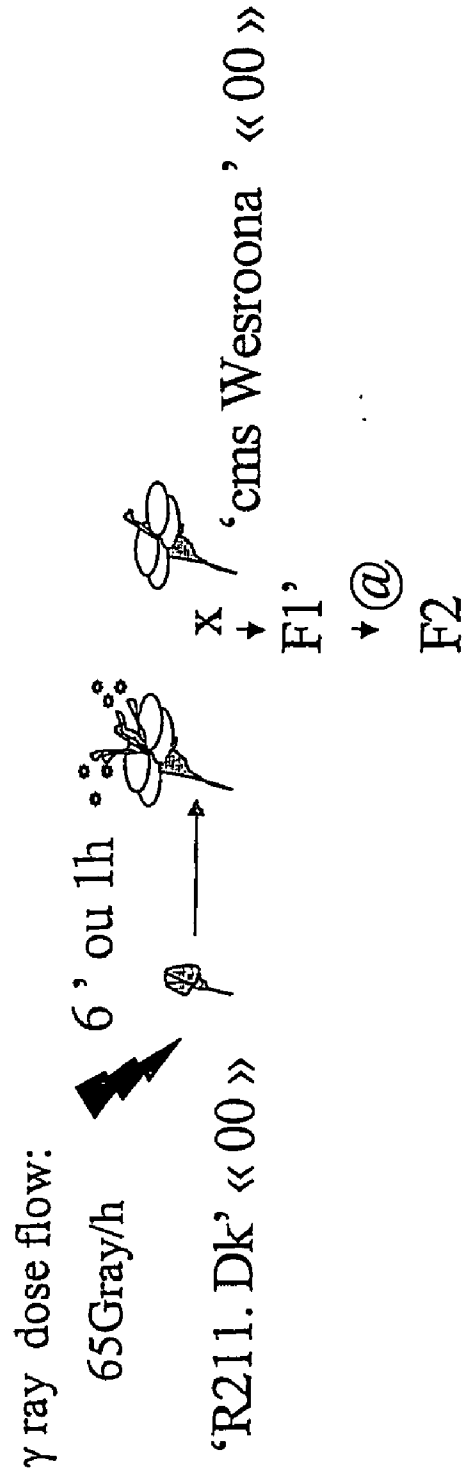


Fig 2

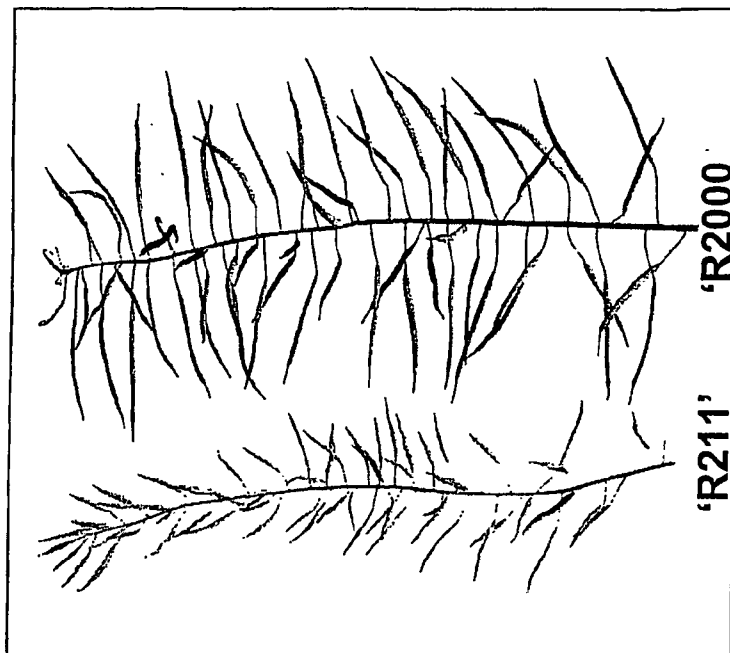
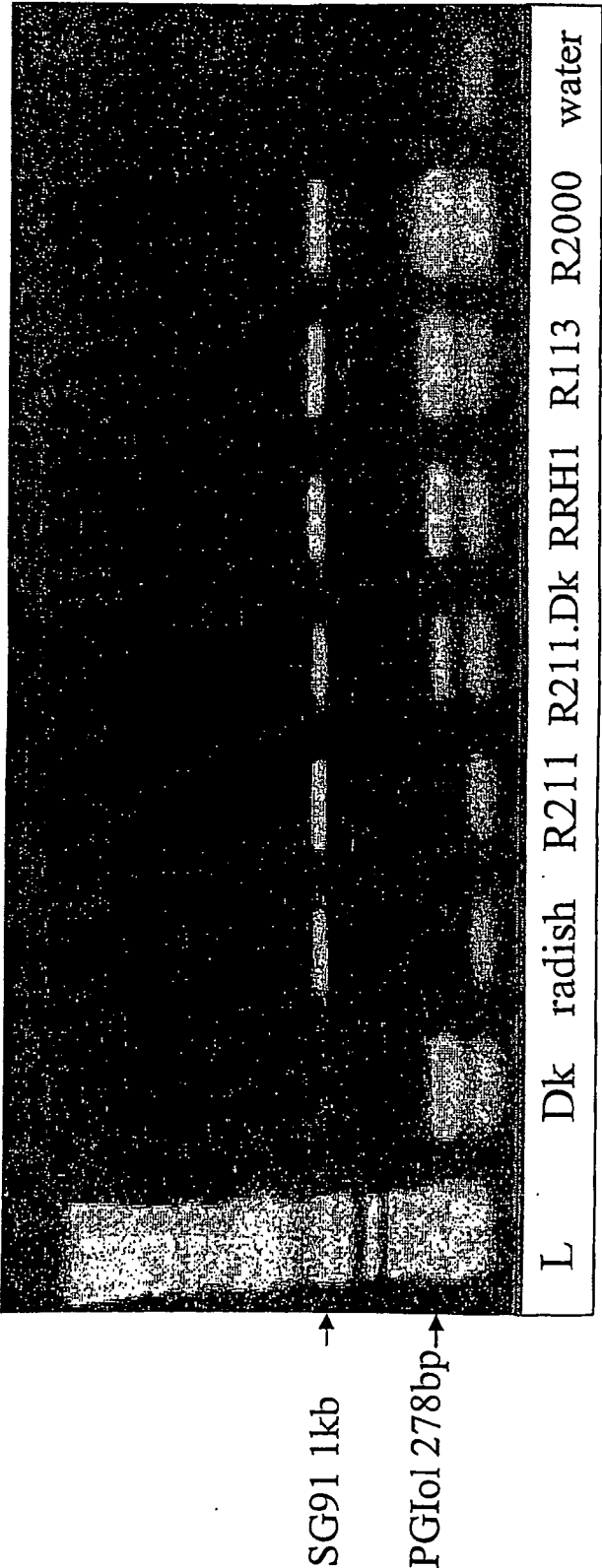


Fig. 1: Seed set on 'R211' and 'R2000'

Fig 3

Genotype	Selfings	Test Crosses
Drakkar	29.3	
Pactol	23.1	
R211	11.2	25.5
R2000	26.5 (24.0 – 31.1)	27.0 (24.0 – 28.7)

Fig 5



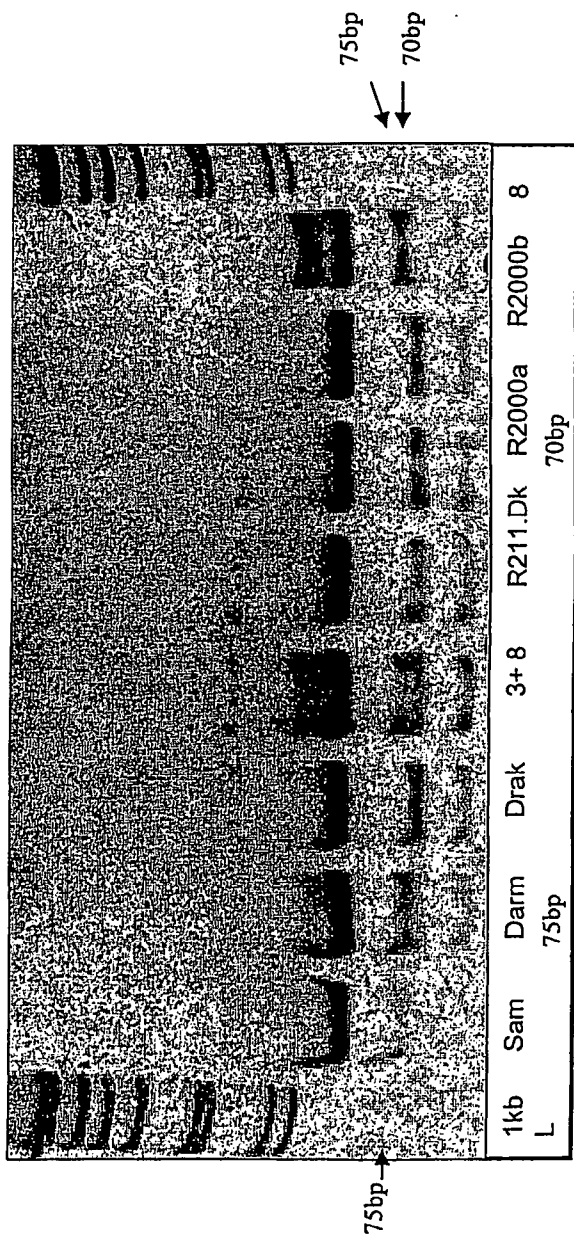
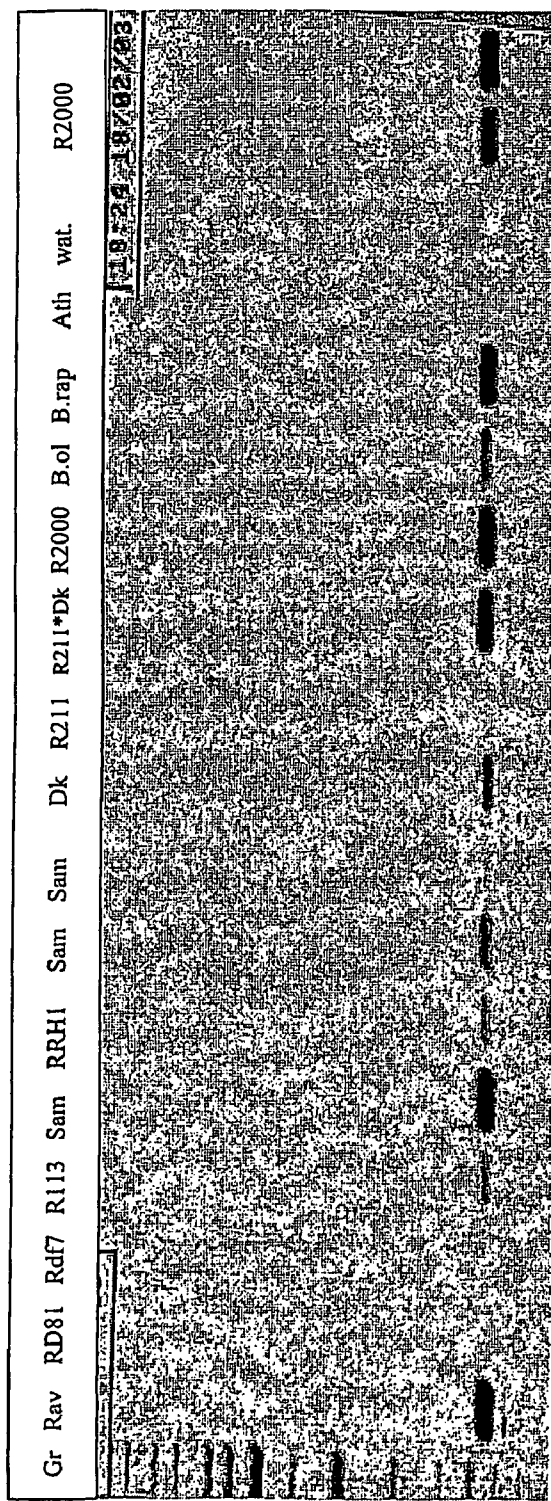


Fig 7

Fig 8



950bp

Fig 9

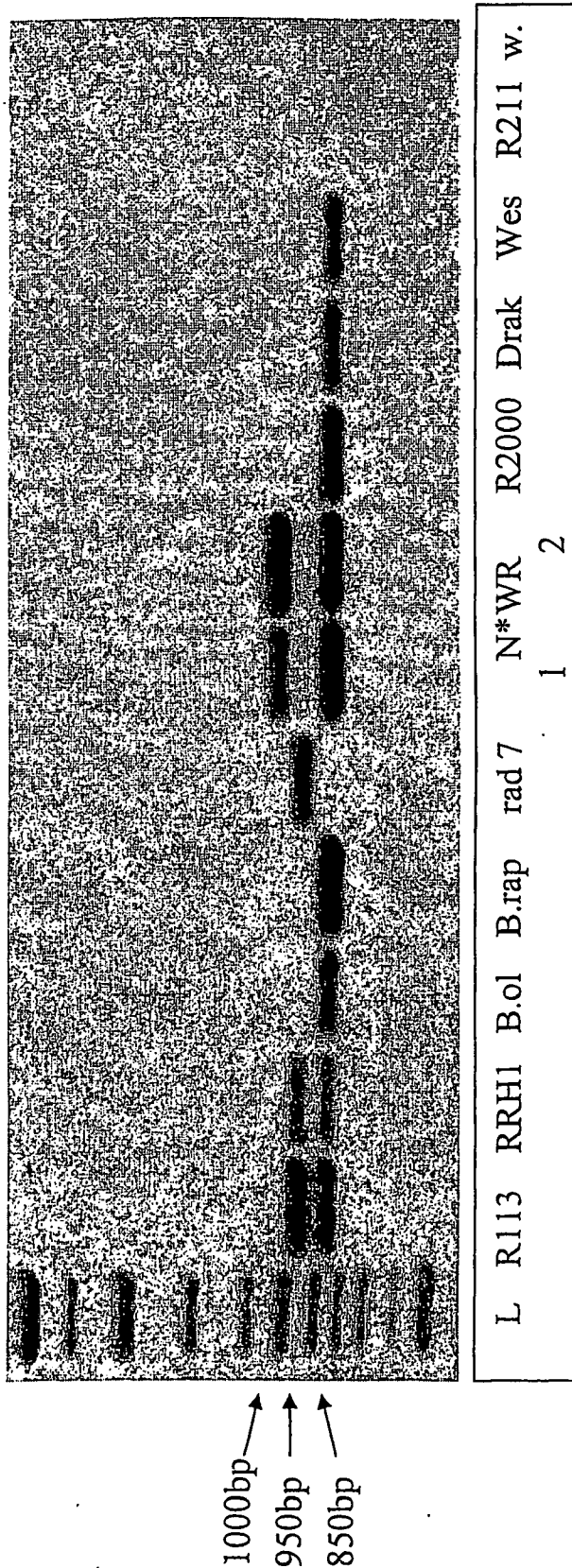


Fig 10

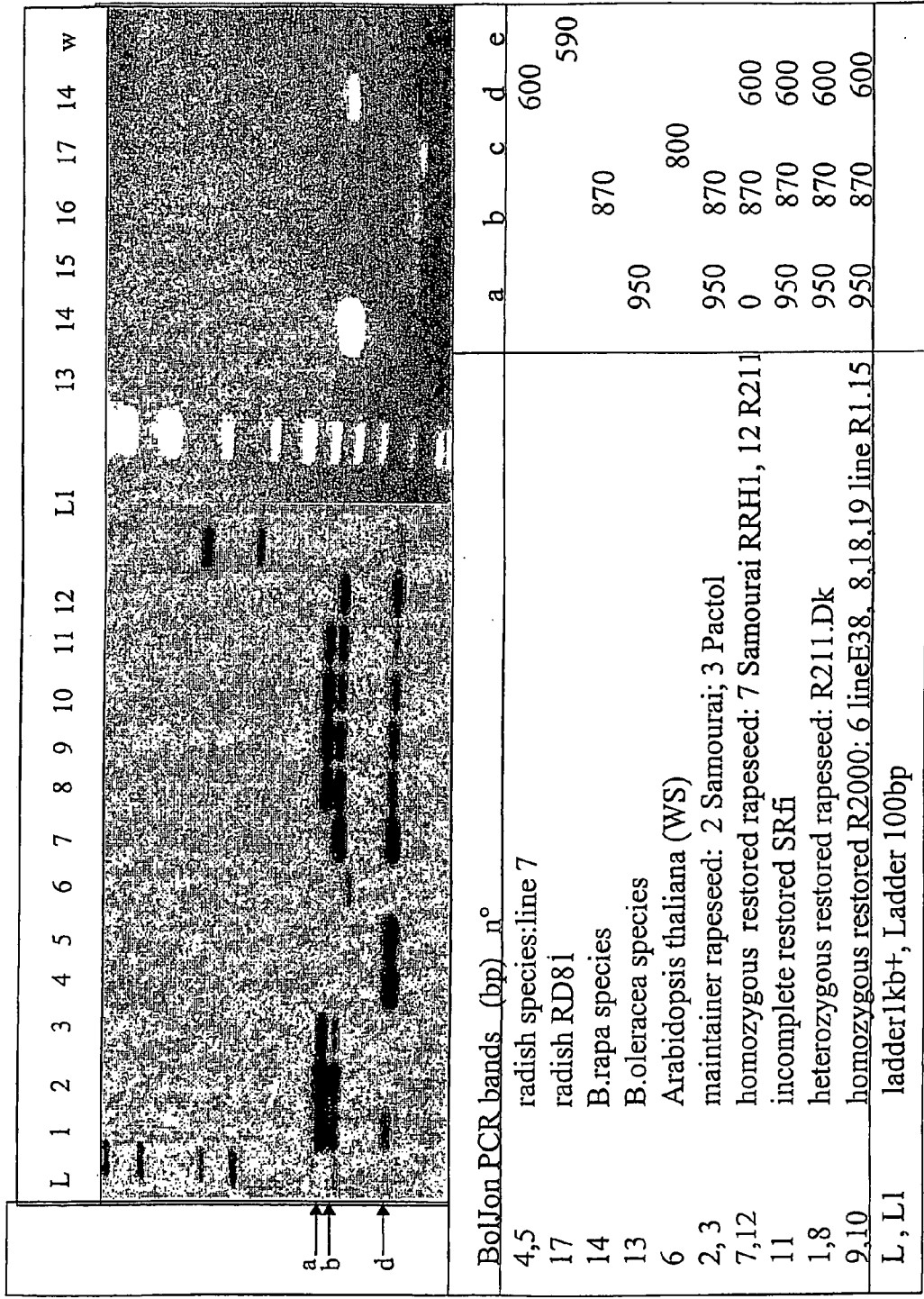
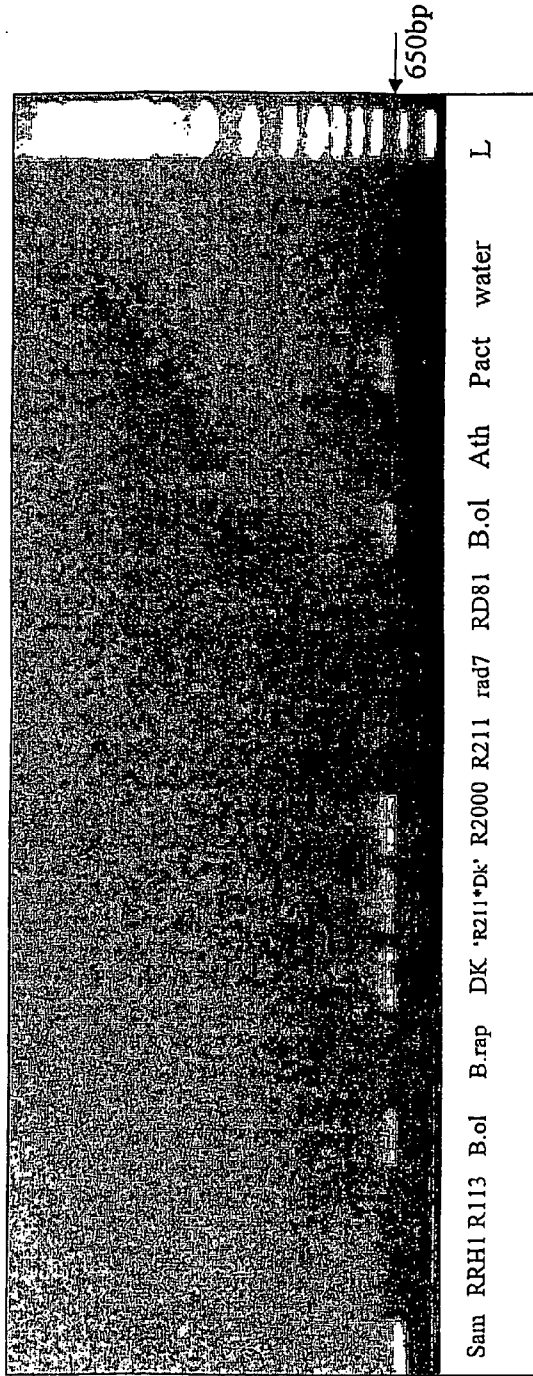


Fig 11



The CP418 band (about 650bp) specific to the *B.oleracea* genome. It is present in B.ol, B.napus (Samourai, Drakkar, Pactol and the heterozygous R211*Dk) It is absent from the restored rapeseed (RRH, R113 and R211) It is present in the homozygous R2000.

Figure 13 (a)

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101 ----> 150

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Figure 13 (b)

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Figure 14 (b)

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Figure 14 (d)

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ConsePGIintUNTRRH1
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Figure 15 (a)

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GCP18-2CP418L-Wes .....
GCP18-4CP418L-R2000 .....
conse129ba1-Drak .....
GCP18-129Sam-ba2 .....
GCP18-3129R211-ba2 .....
GCP18-10129R20-ba2 .....
Consensus .....

251                                     300
EMB44836anti .....
GCP18-5CP418L-Sams .....
GCP18-2CP418L-Wes .....
GCP18-4CP418L-R2000 .....
conse129ba1-Drak .....
GCP18-129Sam-ba2 .....
GCP18-3129R211-ba2 .....
GCP18-10129R20-ba2 .....
Consensus .....

301                                     350
EMB44836anti .....
GCP18-5CP418L-Sams .....
GCP18-2CP418L-Wes .....
GCP18-4CP418L-R2000 .....
conse129ba1-Drak .....
GCP18-129Sam-ba2 .....
GCP18-3129R211-ba2 .....
GCP18-10129R20-ba2 .....
Consensus .....

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Figure 15 (b)

351
 EMBH44836anti TGAGCTTAAT ATCACCCAAA. GATGTTTCA ATCAGAT AAA GAGTAACGAC
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 conse129ba1-Drak TGAGCTTAAT ATCACCCAAA GATGTTTCA ATCAGAT AAA GAGTAACGAC
 GCPS18-129Sam-ba2AAT CTTATCTAAA G.TTATCAC ATCACAT GAA GA
 GCP18-3129R211-ba2AAT CTTATCTAAA. G.TTATCAC ATCACAT GAA GA
 GCP18-10129R20-ba2AAT CTTATCTAAA G.TTATCAC ATCACAT GAA GA
 Consensus -----

400
 EMBH44836anti ATCGTTTTGA GATTAGAACA AA
 GCP18-5CP418L-Sams ATCGTTTTGA GATTAGAACA AA
 GCP18-2CP418L-Wes ATCGTTTTGA GATTAGAACA AA
 GCP18-4CP418L-R2000 ATCGTTTTGA GATTAGAACA AA
 conse129ba1-Drak ATCGTTTTGA GATTAGAACA AA
 GCPS18-129Sam-ba2GAGC AA
 GCP18-3129R211-ba2GGC AA
 GCP18-10129R20-ba2GGC A.
 Consensus -----

401
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 GCP18-5CP418L-Sams CTGAAACTTA CGTAGAGTGA TTTGAGGAGT AGGCTCGTTG CCAGCAGAGC
 GCP18-2CP418L-Wes CTGAAACTTA CGTAGAGTGA TTTGAGGAGT AGGCTCGTTG CCAGCAGAGC.
 GCP18-4CP418L-R2000 CTGAAACTTA CGTAGAGTGA TTTGAGGAGT AGGCTCGTTG CCAGCAGAGC
 conse129ba1-Drak CTGAAACTTA CGTAGAGTGA TTTGAGGAGT AGGCTCGTTG CCAGCAGAGC
 GCPS18-129Sam-ba2 CTAAACCTTA CCTAGAGTGA TTTGAGGAGT AGGCTCGTTG CCAGCGGAGC
 GCP18-3129R211-ba2 CTAAACCTTA CCTAGAGTGA TTTGAGGAGT AGGCTCGTTG CCAGCGGAGC
 GCP18-10129R20-ba2 CTAA.CCTTA CCTAGAGTGA TTTGAGGAGT AGGCTCGTTG CCAGCGGAGC
 Consensus .t.aa.ctta c.tagagtga t.tgaggagt.aggctcgttg ccagc.gagc

431
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 GCP18-5CP418L-Sams TAGCTCTCTC CTCCGCCTCA TGAAGCATCT GTTGCACCTG AGACAACCGT
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 GCP18-3129R211-ba2 TAGCTCTCTC CTCCGCCTCA TGAAGCATCT GCTGCACCTG AGACAACCGT
 GCP18-10129R20-ba2 TAGCTCTCTC CTCCGCCTCA TGAAGCATCT GCTGCACCTG AGACA.CCGT
 Consensus tagctctctc ctccgcctca tgaagcatct g.tgcacctg agacaaccgt

480
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 GCPS18-129Sam-ba2 GACGAAACTT TCCGATCACC GCCACCAGAA TTCGACGCCG CGCATCGGAA
 GCP18-3129R211-ba2 GACGAAACTT TCCGATCACC GCCACCAGAA TTCGACGCCG CGCATCGGAA
 GCP18-10129R20-ba2 GACGAAACTT TCCGATCCCC GCC.CCAGAA TTCGACGCCG CGCATCGGAA
 Consensus gacgaaactt tccgatcacc gccaccagaa ttcgacgccg cgcacccgaa

531
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 GCP18-5CP418L-Sams GGATCCGAAT CGGGAActGG AGTGAACCCG AGCGATCCCG GGAGTGGCAG
 GCP18-2CP418L-Wes GGATCCGAAT CGGGAActGG AGTGAACCCG AGCGATCCCG GGAGTGGCAG
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 GCP18-3129R211-ba2 GGATCCGAAT CGG.AACTGG AGTGAACCCG AGCGATCCCG GGAGTGGCAG
 GCP18-10129R20-ba2 GGATCCGAAT CGGGAActGG AGTGAACCCG AGCGATCCCG GGAGTGGCAG
 Consensus ggatccgaat cgggaactgg agtgaaccg agcgatcccg ggagtggcag

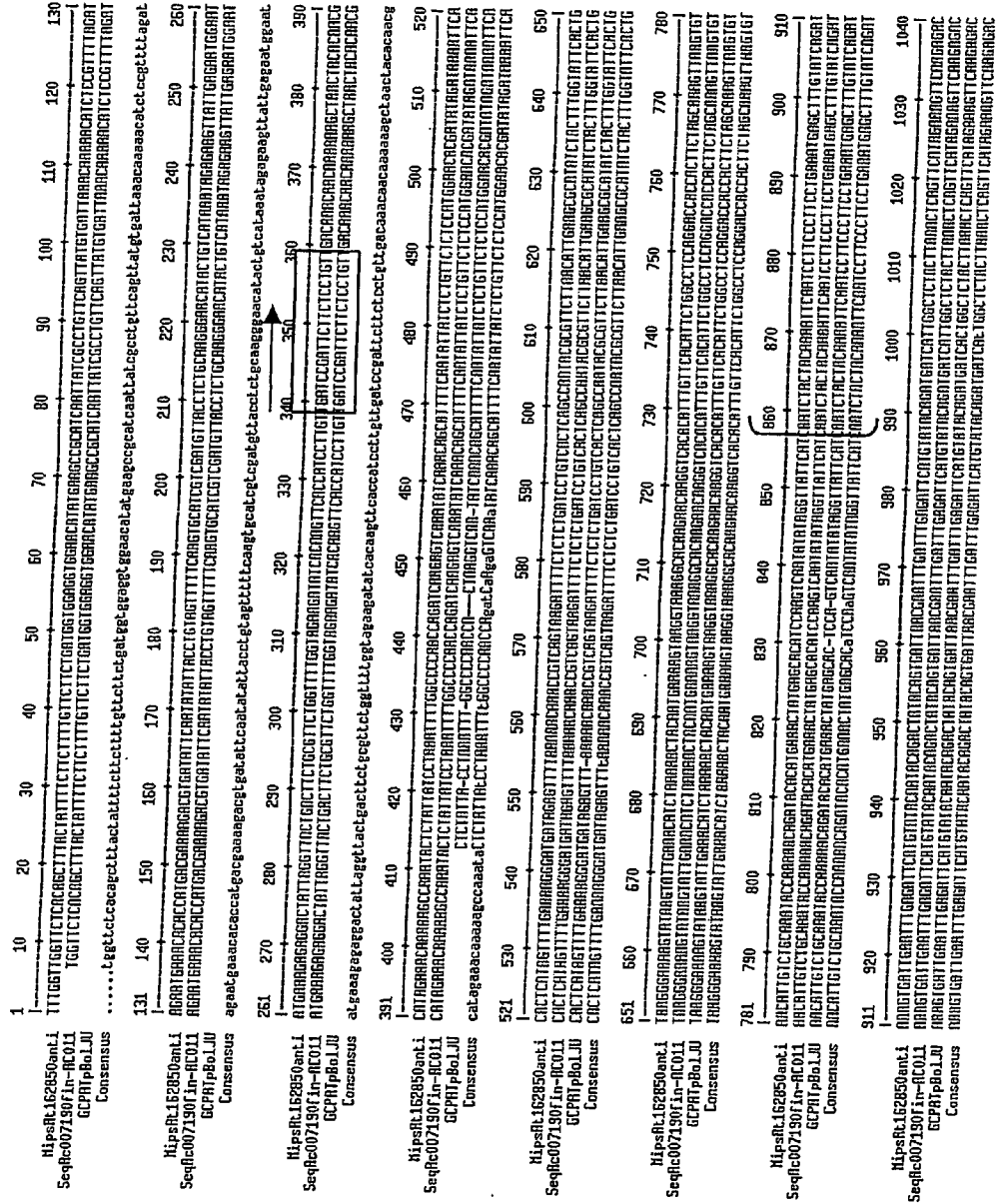
581
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 GCP18-5CP418L-Sams GATGTTTCA ATCAGAT AAA GAGTAACGAC
 GCP18-2CP418L-Wes GATGTTTCA ATCAGAT AAA GAGTAACGAC
 GCP18-4CP418L-R2000 GATGTTTCA ATCAGAT AAA GAGTAACGAC
 conse129ba1-Drak GATGTTTCA ATCAGAT AAA GAGTAACGAC
 GCPS18-129Sam-ba2AAT CTTATCTAAA G.TTATCAC ATCACAT GAA GA
 GCP18-3129R211-ba2AAT CTTATCTAAA. G.TTATCAC ATCACAT GAA GA
 GCP18-10129R20-ba2AAT CTTATCTAAA G.TTATCAC ATCACAT GAA GA
 Consensus -----

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Figure 15 (c)

	631		690
EMBH44836anti	GGAGCGATGG	GAAAAGAGAG	TGGCACGATT TCGACGAAGA GTGGAAGAGG
GCP18-5CP418L-Sams	GGAGCGATGG	GAAAAGAGAG	TGGCACGATT TCGACGAAGA GTGGAAGAGG
GCP18-2CP418L-Wes	GGAGCGATGG	GAAAAGAGAG	TGGCACGATT TCGACGAAGA GTGGAAGAGG
GCP18-4CP418L-R2000	GGAGCGATGG	GAAAAGAGAG	TGGCACGATT TCGACGAAGA GTGGAAGAGG
conse129ba1-Drak	GGAGCGATGG	GAAAAGAGAG	TGGCACGATT TCGACGAA.A GTGGAAGAGG
GCP18-129Sam-ba2	GGAGCGATGG	GAAAAGAGAG	TGGCACGATT TCGACGAAGA GTGGAAGAGG
GCPR18-3129R211-ba2	GGAGCGATGG	GAAAAGAGAG	TGGCACGATT TCGACGAAGA GTGGAAGAGG
GCP18-10129R20-ba2	GGAGCGATGG	GAAAAGAGAG	TGGCACGATT TCG.CGAAGA GTGGAAGAGG
Consensus	ggagcg.tgg	.aaaagagag	tggcaccgatt tccgacgaaga g.ggaagagg
	691		740
EMBH44836anti	AGAGGGTGGT	GGATAAACTC	GCCTATGATC AAGTTCGTCA TCGTCCTGAT
GCP18-5CP418L-Sams	AGAGGGTGGT	GGATAAACTC	GCCTATGATC AAGTTCGTCA TCGTCCTGAT
GCP18-2CP418L-Wes	AGAGGGTGGT	GGATAAACTC	GCCTATGATC AAGTTCGTCA TCGTCCTGAT
GCP18-4CP418L-R2000	AGAGGGTGGT	GGATAAACTC	GCCTATGATC AAGTTCGTCA TCGTCCTGAT
conse129ba1-Drak	AGAGGGTGGT	GGATAAACTC	GCCTATGATC AAGTTCGTCA TCGTCCTGAT
GCP18-129Sam-ba2	AGAGGGTGGT	GGATAAACTC	GCCTATGATC AAGTTCGTCA TCGTCCTGAT
GCPR18-3129R211-ba2	AGAGG.TGGT	GGATAAACTC	GCCTATGATC AAGTTCGTCA TCGTCCTGAA
GCP18-10129R20-ba2	AGAGGGTGGT	GGATAAACTC	GCCTATGATC AAGTTCGTCA TCGTCCTGAA
Consensus	agaggggtggt	ggataaaactc	gcctatgatc aagttcgtca tctctctga.
	741		800
			pSG129antiU 790
EMBH44836anti	TGCCGCCATT	TTTTTTGTCA	GGGCGCTCTG TGGCTTAGAA GTTCCGATG
GCP18-5CP418L-Sams	TGCCGCCATT	TTTTTTGTCA	GGGCGCTCTG TGGCTTAGAA GTTCCGATG
GCP18-2CP418L-Wes	TGCCGCCATT	TTTTTTGTCA	GGGCGCTCTG TGGCTTAGAA GTTCCGATG
GCP18-4CP418L-R2000	TGCCGCCATT	TTTTTTGTCA	GGGCGCTCTG TGGCTTAGAA GTTCCGATG
conse129ba1-Drak	TGCCGCCATT	TTTTTTGTCA	GGGCGCTCTG .GGCTTAGAA GTTCCGA..
GCP18-129Sam-ba2	TGCCGCCATT	CTTGTTTAC.	.GGCGCTCTG GGT.....
GCPR18-3129R211-ba2	TGCCGCC...
GCP18-10129R20-ba2	TGCC..CAT.	CTTGAGCTC.	.GG.GCGCGG GCTCACAA..
Consensus	tgccgccat.	.tt.....c.	.gg.gc.c-g
	791		
EMBH44836anti	<u>TCAATGAAC</u>	A	GTGACACGAC GAAATGC
GCP18-5CP418L-Sams	TCAATGAAAC	AGAAT...TC	CGGG...
GCP18-2CP418L-Wes	CCAATGAACA	AGATTATTTC	CGATG..
GCP18-4CP418L-R2000
conse129ba1-Drak

Figure 17



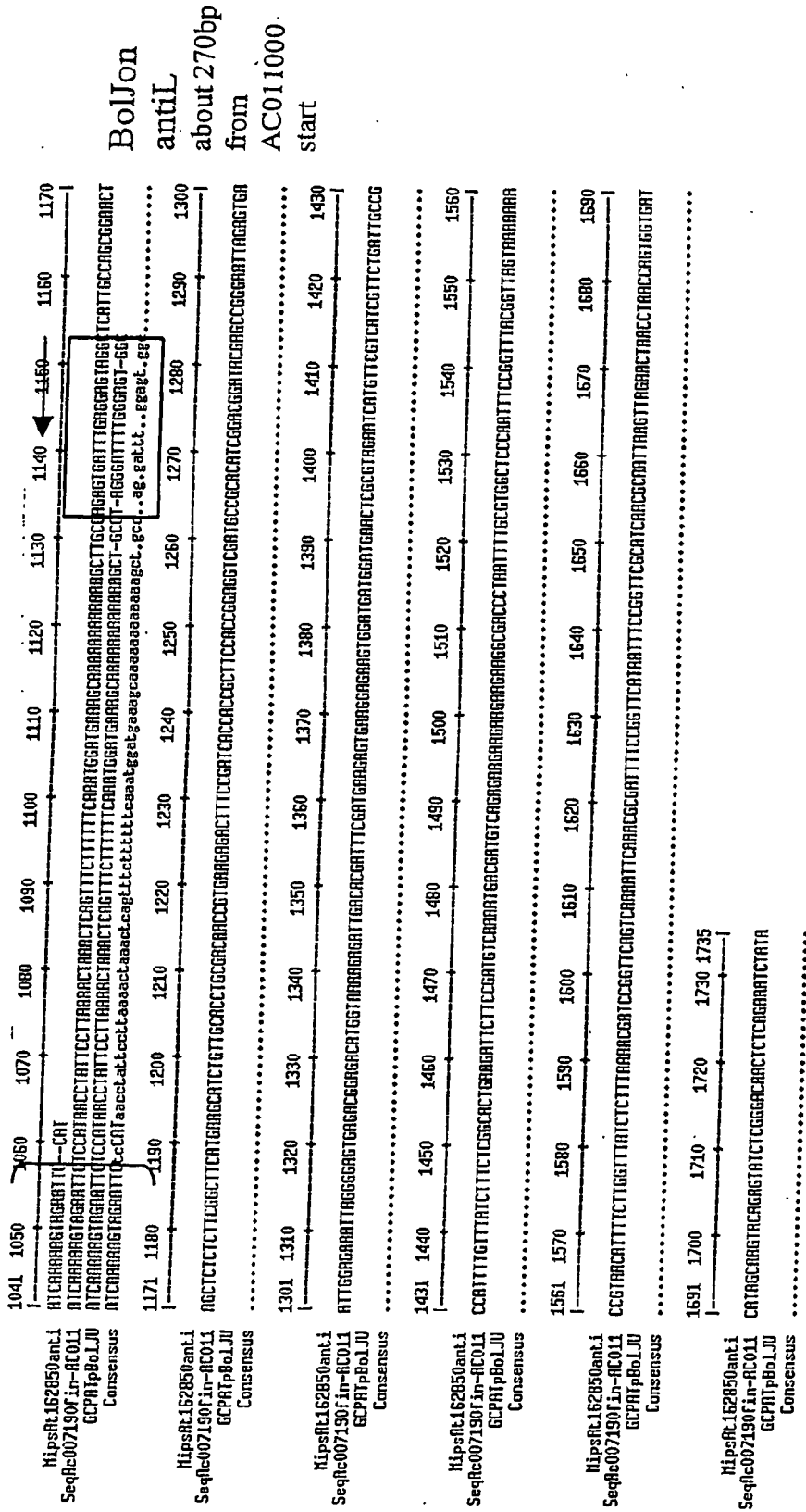
BoJJon U
about 700bp
from AC007190
end

AC011000 start

overlapping

AC007190 end

Figure 17 BIS



METHOD OF PRODUCING DOUBLE LOW RESTORER LINES OF BRASSICA NAPUS HAVING A GOOD AGRONOMIC VALUE

[0001] The invention relates to a method of producing a double low restorer lines of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cytoplasmic male sterility (cms) presenting a radish introgression carrying the Rfo restorer genes deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterized by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour. The invention relates also to a method of forming *Brassica napus* hybrid seed and progeny thereof and to the use of markers for selection.

[0002] Breeding restorer lines for the Ogu-INRA Cytoplasmic Male Sterility (cms) system in rapeseed (*Brassica napus* L.) has been a major objective during the past few years. Extensive backcross and pedigree breeding were necessary to improve their female fertility and to get double low restorer lines. The so-called <<double low >> varieties are those low in erucic acid in the oil and low in glucosinolates in the solid meal remaining after oil extraction. However some difficulties can still be encountered in breeding these lines (introgression rearrangements, possible linkage with negative traits) due to the large size of the radish introgression.

[0003] The inventors thus assigned themselves the objective of providing a new improved double low restorer line with a good agronomic value.

[0004] This objective is obtained by a new method of producing a recombined double low restorer line for the Ogu-INRA cms in rapeseed.

[0005] A first object of the present invention relates to a method of producing double low restorer lines of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cytoplasmic male sterility (cms) presenting radish introgression carrying the Rfo restorer gene deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterised by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour, said method including the step of:

[0006] a) crossing double low cms lines of spring *Brassica napus* comprising a deleted radish insertion with the double low line of spring Drakkar for forming heterozygous restored plants of *Brassica napus*,

[0007] b) irradiating before meiosis the heterozygous restored plants obtained in step a) with gamma ray irradiation,

[0008] c) crossing pollen from flowers obtained in step b) with the cms double low spring Wesroona line,

[0009] d) testing the progeny for vigour, female fertility and transmission rate of the cms gene,

[0010] e) selecting progeny lines.

[0011] In the present invention, the term "lines(s)" means a plant which is essentially homozygote and which is reproducible by auto-pollination.

[0012] A method according to claim 1, wherein the irradiation dose in step b) is 65 Gray during 6 mn.

[0013] According to one advantageous form of embodiment of the method according to the present invention, the double low cms line of spring *Brassica napus* of step a) is R211.

[0014] R211 is an INRA spring restorer line.

[0015] Drakkar is a French spring registered variety.

[0016] Wesroona is an Australian spring registered variety.

[0017] According to one advantageous form of embodiment of the method according to the present invention, the testing is performed with the combination of five markers selected from PGIol, PGIUNT, PGIint, BolJon and CP418.

[0018] Another object of the present invention relates to double low restorer lines of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cms presenting a Rfo insertion deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterised by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour.

[0019] According to one advantageous form of embodiment, the double low restorer lines present a unique combination of five markers selected from PGIol, PGIUNT, PGIint, BolJon and CP418.

[0020] Another object of the present invention relates to a method of forming *Brassica napus* hybrid plants and progeny thereof obtained through the steps of:

[0021] a) providing a restorer line produced according to claim 1 and bred to be homozygous,

[0022] b) using said restorer line in a hybrid production field as the pollinator,

[0023] c) using cms sterile plants in a hybrid production field as the hybrid seed producing plant, and

[0024] d) harvesting the hybrid seed from the male sterile plant.

[0025] Another object of the present invention relates to seeds of *Brassica* plant obtained from the methods according to the present invention.

[0026] Still another object of the invention relates to seeds of *Brassica napus* deposited in NCIMB Limited, 23 St Machar Drive, Aberdeen, Scotland, AB24 3RY, UK, on Jul. 4, 2003, under the reference number NCIMB41183.

[0027] Another object of the present invention relates to the use of at least four markers PGIol, PGIint, BolJon and CP418, or any portion of them comprising at least one polymorphic site, for characterising recombined restorer lines of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cms presenting a Rfo insertion deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterised by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour.

[0028] In a preferred embodiment, the combination is of five markers PGIol, PGIUNT, PGIint, BolJon and CP418.

[0029] In the present invention, the expression "any portion of them comprising at least one polymorphic site" means any part of the sequence showing at least a difference between the *B. oleracea* type sequence and *B. rapa* type

sequence. Such markers are represented in the following figures and sequence listing for the R2000 line.

[0030] According to one advantageous form of embodiment, the present invention relates to:

[0031] The marker PGIol which is amplified using the primers: PGIol U and PGIol L (PGIol U: 5'TCATTGATTGTTGCGCCTG3'; PGIol L: 5'TGTACATCAGACCCGGTAGAAAA3')

[0032] The marker PGIint which is amplified using the primers: PGIint U and PGIint L (PGIint U: 5'CAGCACTAATCTTGCGGTATG3'; PGIint L: 5'CAATAACCTAAAAGCACCTG3')

[0033] The marker PGIUNT which is amplified using the primers: PGIol U and PGIint L: (PGIol

U:5'TCATTGATTGTTGCGCCTG3'; PGIint L:5'CAATAACCTAAAAGCACCTG3')

[0034] The marker BolJon which is amplified using the primers: BolJon U and BolJon L: (BolJon U:5'GATCCGATTCTTCTCCTGTTG3'; BolJon L:5'GCCTACTCCTCAAATCACTCT3')

[0035] The marker CP418 which is amplified using the primers: SG129 U and pCP418 L: (SG129 U:cf Giancola et al, 2003 *Theor Appl. Genet.* (in press) pCP418 L:5'AATTTCTCCATCACAAAGGACC3')

[0036] Another object of the present invention relates to the PGIol, PGIUNT, PGIint, BolJon and CP418 markers whose sequences follow:

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PGIol R2000 marker
TCATTGATT GTTGC GCCTG TCGCCTTGTT GTGTTATGAT GAATGAACAG CAGTCATTTA 60
ACATGTGGTT AACTTAACAG GGCTCCGGCT GTTGCAAAAC ACATGGTTGC TGTCAGCACT 120
AATCTTGCGG TATGAATTTG TGATTAAATT TGTTTGTGTTG TGACTCTTTC TTCATTGTTTC 180
GTTTTCTGAC AATAAACCGA ATGTATAATC TTTTACAAA CTGAATTTTC TACCGGGTCT 240
GATGTACA 248

PGIUNT R2000 marker:
TCATTGATT GTTGC GCCTG TCGCCTTGTT GTGTTATGAT GAATGAACAG CAGTCATTTA 60
ACATGTGGTT AACTTAACAG GGCTCCGGCT GTTGCAAAAC ACATGGTTGC TGTCAGCACT 120
AATCTTGCGG TATGAATTTG TGATTAAATT TGTTTGTGTTG TGACTCTTTC TTCATTGTTTC 180
GTTTTCTGAC AATAAACCGA ATGTATAATC TTTTACAAC TGAATTTTCT ACCGGGTCTG 240
ATGTACAATG CTAGTCTCCA TGTTCTGGG GATCATGATT TATTTCTAC ATGTATTTCAG 300
ACAGTACAGA AGAAAGTGT CAAACTCTG GATGTTTTAA TTTACAGTTA GTGGAGAAGT 360
TCGGCATTGA TCCGAACAAT GCATTGTCAT TTTGGGACTG GGTGGTGGGA AGGTACAGTG 420
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AACTGAAATT CTTTTGCAGT TTGCAGTGCT GTTGAGTCT TACCATTGTC TCTACAGTAT 540
GGCTTCTCTG TGGTTGAGAA GTACGGTACC TTCTACTTTA TCAGCCATCT CATAAAATGT 600
CTTAGGCATA TTCTTCTAT TTTATTTCCC TCTTAATGAT TTCTTCTTTT TTTTATTGCA 660
TTCCCCTTTT ATTTTCAAAA GTTGTACTG TCTCTAAATC AAGAAGAAAC CTTCTTAGTA 720
GATCCAGCTG ATATTCAGCC TTTTTTAAAT TGGACTGCAG GTTTTTAAAG GGGAGCTTCA 780
AGCATTGATA AGCATTTCOA GTCCACACCG TTTGAGAAGA ATATACCCGT GAGTTGCATT 840
AGTTGTGTA TTATACAGTT TTCTTGCTCTT TTTGCTATGT CCATCAACAC TAGAGATTTCG 900
TGAAGTTATT AGTGTAGTCA ACGCATAGGG AGAGGTGATT GGTGACTTTT GGACGATTTT 960
AGGTGCTTTA GGGTTATTG 979

PGIint R2000 marker:
CAGCACTAAT CTGCGGTAT GAATTTGTGA TTAATTTGT TTGTTGTGA CTCCTTCTTC 60
ATTGTTGCTT TTCGTACAAT AAACCGAATG TATAATCTTT TACAAACTGA ATTTTCTACC 120
GGGTCTGATG TACAATGCTA GTCTCCATGT TCTTGGGGAT CATGATTTAT TTTCTACATG 180
TATTCAGACA GTACAGAAGA AAGTGTCAA AACTCTGGAT GTTTTAATTT ACAGTTAGTG 240
GAGAAGTTCG GCATTGATCC GAACAATGCA TTTGCATTTT GGGACTGGGT TGGTGGAAAG 300

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TACAGTGGTA AGTGCTTGTT TATTTGGTTG TATAAATTC TCGTCCATTT CCGCTTGCTT 360
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ACAGTATGGC TTCTCTGTGG TTGAGAAGTA CGGTACCTTC TACTTTATCA GCCATCTCAT 480
AAAATGTCCT AGGCATATTC TTTCTATTTT ATTTCCCTCT TAATGATTC TTCTTTTTTT 540
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CTTAGTAGAT CCAGCTGATA TTCAGCCTTT TTTAAATTGG ACTGCAGGTT TTTAAAGGGG 660
AGCTTCAAGC ATTGATAAGC ATTTCCAGTC CACACCGTTT GAGAAGAATA TACCCGTGAG 720
TTGCATTAGT TGTGTGATTA TACAGTTTTT TTGTCTTTTT GCTATGTCCA TCAACACTAG 780
AGATTCGTGA AGTTATTAGT GTAGTCAACG CATAGGGAGA GGTGATTGGT GACTTTTGG 840
CGATTCAGG TGCTTTAGGG TTATTG 866

BoIJon R2000 marker:
GATCCGATTC TTCTCTGTG GAGATCAGCT CCAAACATCA AACAACTGT ACACAAATAT 60
CTTTACTTGC TAAATGGAAC ATGACAAGAG ATAGAAAATC TTGCTCATAG TATTGTACAA 120
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TTAAGCGTAA CATGGTCTGC ACGTATACAA ATGAAAATGT TTCTATCAA ATCCTATAAA 420
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TCGATAGTAA CATCCTCTGC AAGTACCAA GAGATAGCAA ATGAAACTAT GTAAACAAAT 600
CAAAATCTA AATTTCTCCA TCACAAGGAC CTACAGAATA GAGTTATCAT AACATTTTCT 660
GTAAATATTT CCATCAAAAT GACTAGAGAA CAGAGTTCTT ATAACATTAT CTGTAAATGT 720
TCCAACAAA CCACTACATA GCAGAGTTCT TATAACATTG TCTGTAAATG TCCAATCAA 780
ACCACTACAG AACAAAGCTC CTATAACATT GTTTATACAA AGTTTCACTA AATCTACAAA 840
CTTTCCCGT AAATGAGCTT AATATCACCC AAAGATGTTT CAATCAGATA AAGAGTACGA 900
CATCGTTTTG AGATTAGAAC AAAGTGAAC TTACGTAGAG TGATTTGAGG AGTAGGC 957

CP418L R2000 marker:
AATTTCTCCA TCACAAGGAC CTACAGAATA GAGTTATCAT AACATTTTCT GTAAATATTT 60
CCATCAAAAT GACTAGAGAA CAGAGTTCTT ATAACATTAT CTGTAAATGT TCCAACAAA 120
CCACTACATA GCAGAGTTCT TATAACATTG TCTGTAAATG TCCAATCAA ACCACTACAG 180
AACAAAGCTC CTATAACATT GTTTATACAA AGTTTCACTA AATCTACAAA CTTTCCCGT 240
AAATGAGCTT AATATCACCC AAAGATGTTT CAATCAGATA AAGAGTAACG ACATCGTTTT 300
GAGATTAGAA CAAACTGAAA CTTACGTAGA GTGATTTGAG GAGTAGGCTC GTTGCCAGCA 360
GAGCTAGCTC TCTCCTCCGC CTCATGAAGC ATCTGTTGCA CCTGAGACAA CCGTGACGAA 420
ACTTTCCGAT CACCGCCACC AGAATTCGAC GCCGCGCATC GGAAGGATCC GAATCGGGAA 480
CTGAGTGAAC CCGAGCGATC CCGGGAGTGC GACGGAGCGA TGGAAAAGA GAGTGGCACG 540

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ATTTCGACGA AGAGTGGAAAG AGGAGAGGGT GGTGGATAAA CTCGCGTATG ATCAAGTTTCG 600

TCATCGTCCT GATTGCCGCC ATTTTTTTTG TCAGGGCGCT CTGTGGCTTA GAAGTTTCCG 660

ATGTC AATGA AC

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[0037] In the annexed drawing that follows, the following abbreviations are used:

[0038] Dra

[0039] Drakkar

[0040] Rel-15-1, E38, R15

[0041] R2000

[0042] Hete, He1, R211.Drakkar

[0043] heterozygous R211*Drakkar,

[0044] Darm

[0045] Darmor

[0046] Bol:

[0047] *Brassica oleracea*

[0048] Bra, *B. rapa*:

[0049] *Brassica rapa*

[0050] GCPA18-A19, Wes, Aust:

[0051] Wesroona

[0052] Sam, Sam1PGIolSunt5

[0053] Samourai

[0054] RRH1, ba2c

[0055] RRH1

[0056] rav, N.WR

[0057] Hybrid *Brassica napus**wild Radish

[0058] FIG. 1 illustrates Gamma ray Irradiation and F2 production.

[0059] FIG. 2 illustrates seed set on 'R211' and 'R2000'.

[0060] FIG. 3 illustrates the number of seeds per pod of different lines.

[0061] FIG. 4 illustrates PGIol primer localisation on the segment of PGI sequence from Data Base. In that figure:

PGIol:	primer PGIol U (named in SGAP: BnPGIch 1 U) primer PGIol L (named in SGAP: Bn PGIch 1 L)
PGIint:	primer PGIint U primer PGIint L (is out side the sequence).

[0062] FIG. 5 illustrates electrophoresis gel of PGI-2 gene (PGIol), PCR marker and SG34, a PCR marker close to Rfo.

[0063] FIG. 6 illustrates Pgi-2 segment of DNA amplified by PCR with PGIol primers.

[0064] FIG. 7 illustrates digestion of the PCR product PGIol by MseI.

[0065] In that figure:

[0066] Sam and Darm has a 75bp band.

[0067] Drak, R211.Dk and R2000 showed a 70pb one (Acrylamide 15%).

[0068] 8 was similar to Samourai (75bp); mix with Drakkar (70pb) it allowed the visualisation of the two bands.

[0069] FIG. 8 illustrates electrophoresis agarose gel of PGIUNT marker.

[0070] In that figure:

[0071] PGIUNT band (about 980bp) is present in *B. oleracea*, *B. rapa* cv Asko, maintainer and restored lines except in 'R211'.

[0072] There is no amplification in radish and *Arabidopsis*.

[0073] In various *Brassica* genotypes only one band was amplified. Size band are similar but sequences are different.

[0074] FIG. 9 illustrates electrophoresis gel of PGIint PCR marker.

[0075] In that figure PGIint of radish line 7 is of about 950bp. This band is the same as in the restored RRH1 and R113. It is not found in R211. It is not either in R2000.

[0076] However the PGIint band is of a similar size of about 870bp in the various *Brassica* species, but sequences are different.

[0077] FIG. 10 illustrates electrophoresis agarose gel of BolJon PCR marker.

[0078] FIG. 11 illustrates electrophoresis agarose gel of CP418 marker.

[0079] In that figure, the CP418 band (of about 670bp) is specific to the *B. oleracea* genome. It is present in *B. ol.*, *B. napus* (Samourai, Drakkar, Pactol and the hereterozygous R2111*Dk). It is absent from the restored rapeseed (RRH, R113 and R211). It is present in the homozygous R2000.

[0080] FIG. 12 illustrates summary markers table.

[0081] FIG. 13 (13(a), 13(b)) illustrates PGIol marker sequence alignment between *Arabidopsis*, Radish, *B. rapa*, *B. oleracea* and R2000.

[0082] FIG. 14 (14(a), 14(b), 14(c), 14(d)) illustrates the PGIint-UNT marker sequence alignment between *Arabidopsis*, Radish, *B. rapa*, *B. oleracea* and R2000.

[0083] FIG. 15 (15(a), 15(b), 15(c)) illustrates the CP418L marker sequence alignment between *Arabidopsis*, Radish, *B. rapa*, *B. oleracea* and R2000.

[0084] FIG. 16 (16 et 16bis) illustrates *Arabidopsis*, Radish and *B. rapa* BolJon markers.

[0085] There are aligned with DB sequences of *Arabidopsis* (AC007190end-AC011000beginning), the *B. oleracea* EMBH959102 end and EMBH448336 beginning and representative consensus sequences of the SG129 markers band 1 and 2 in *B. napus* (in Drakkar and Samourai respectively).

[0086] From the point 836bp, AC07190-AC11000 and GCPATpBOJ sequences are no longer closely homologous to the *Brassica* sequences.

[0087] The radish and *B. rapa* (GCPconsen RsRf BOJ and BR) sequences are still closely homologous to the *B. napus* one, from 858bp point to the 900bp and 981 points respectively.

[0088] In radish, only partial homology is found on the *Brassica* sequence further down.

[0089] In *B. rapa* species cv Asko, the left of its BolJon sequence can be aligned again, after a 78bp deletion, with those of *B. oleracea* and *B. rapa* in *B. napus* from the 1057bp point to the BolJon L primer.

[0090] FIG. 17 (17 et 17bis) illustrates the localisation of Pgi-2 primers on the *Arabidopsis* th MJB21.12 sequence.

[0091] FIG. 18 illustrates the BolJon primers localisation on the mipsAtl62850 gene and overlapping area of AC007190 and AC011000 *Arabidopsis* th clones.

[0092] Alignment with the *Arabidopsis* BolJon PCR product (740bp) is presented.

[0093] It should be understood, however, that the examples are given solely by way of illustration of the object of the invention, of which they in no way constitute a limitation.

Example I

[0094] method of producing a double low restorer line of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cytoplasmic male sterility (cms) presenting a radish introgression, carrying the Rfo restorer gene deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterised by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour.

Materials and Methods:

[0095] Genotypes: The 'R211' line with a deleted radish insertion was crossed to the spring low GLS rapeseed 'Drakkar' to produce a F1 progeny ('R211*Dk'). The spring low GLS cms line 'Wesroona' (australian origin) was used for following crosses. Were used as control in molecular analyses: Winter restored lines derived from 'Samourai' carrying the complete ('RRH1') or incomplete ('R113') introgression as well as European radish line7, Asiatic restored radish D81, hybrid *Brassica napus** wild radish, *Brassica oleracea*, and *B. rapa* cv Asko, *Arabidopsis thaliana*.

[0096] Gamma ray irradiation: Whole flowering plants were treated with gamma rays from a Co60 source in a controlled area. Sublethal dose fo 65 Gray was applied before meioses.

[0097] Testcrosses and F2 production: Irradiated plants were transferred in an insectproof greenhouse after removing flower buds larger than 2 mm. The irradiated F1 progeny was used to handpollinate the cms 'Wesroona' line. The

restored derived F1' plants were allowed to produce F2 families harvested individually and precisely sown in a field assay along with non irradiated controls (FIG. 1).

[0098] Phenotypic selection: Three visual criteria were scored (on a 1 to 5 scale) over 2 years in field assays, on 1200 F2 offsprings plus 44 controls (82 330 quoted plants):

[0099] 1. Vegetative vigour,

[0100] 2. Normality of the ratio of fertile /sterile plants in the F2 segregation, and

[0101] 3. Female fertility (pod development and seed set).

[0102] Advanced selfed generations of the selected families were obtained either in field or greenhouse and produced homozygous lines (F4) for further analysis.

[0103] Isozyme analysis was performed as in (Delourme R. and Eber F. 1992. *Theor Appl Genet* 85: 222-228), marker development from (Fourmann M et al 2002. *Theor Appl Genet*. 105:1196-1206.): PCR products are validated by sequencing. Alignments were made using Blast Ncbi and Uk Crop Net *Brassica* DB and the Multialin software INRA Toulouse.

Method:

[0104] We choose one low GLS spring homozygous restorer line, 'R211', already exhibiting deletions in the introgression (Delourme R. and Eber F. 1992. *Theor Appl Genet* 85: 222-228. Delourme R et al 1998. *Theor Appl Genet* 97: 129-134. Delourme R. et al 1999. 10th *Int. Rapeseed Congress, Canberra*). Several molecular markers are missing on either side of Rfo, such as spATCHIA (Fourmann M et al 2002. *Theor Appl Genet*. 105:1196-1206), spSG91 (Giancola S et al 2003 *Theor Appl Genet*. (in press)). 'R211' lost the isozyme expression of the Pgi-2 allele of the radish gene but also the one of Pgi-2 allele of *B. oleracea* genome (1,2). Moreover, the homozygous 'R211' shows linked negative traits such as low vigour and very poor seed set. We hypothesised that these plant lack a rapeseed chromosomal segment. The fertile ratio in F2 progenies derived from this material is lower than expected (64% instead of 75%). We initiated the program from this 'R211' line and tried to force recombination between the Rfo carrying introgression from this deleted line and the rapeseed homologous chromosome from a double low *B. napus* line.

[0105] Ionising irradiation is known to induce chromosomal rearrangements by double strand breaks followed by aberrant rejoining of the ends. Gamma-ray irradiation was used on a heterozygous F1 derived from the 'R211' line to induce chromosome breaks, just before meiosis, aiming at a recombination of the deleted radish introgression in the rapeseed genome.

Results:

[0106] Very few families were at the best score for the three criteria out of 1200 F2 families tested.

[0107] Only one, 'R2000', proved to produce a normal ratio of fertile plants per selfed progeny with a stable recovery of good agronomic traits such as a good female fertility, with a normal seed set compared to 'R211' (FIG. 2 and 3). This family was obtained from a 6 mn irradiation treatment at a dose flow of 65 Gray per hour.

[0108] Glucosinolate analysis confirmed its low content.

[0109] In FIG. 2 (Seed set on 'R211' and 'R2000') R2000 showed normal inflorescences, with a normal looking architecture.

[0110] In FIG. 3 (Number of seeds per pod), we observe:

[0111] on the best 'R2000' F4 families in self pollination (Selfings) and in testcrosses

[0112] on 'Pactol' cms line on rapeseed and 'R211' controls.

Example II

Selection of Markers in the Pgi-2 Gene

[0113] PGI isoenzyme analysis: 'R2000' progeny expressed the rapeseed Pgi-2 allele from *B. oleracea* genome, originally lost in 'R211'.

[0114] Three PCR markers were defined to characterise the R2000 family compared to the known restorer rapeseed RRH1 and R113.

[0115] 1) PGIol marker was developed from the *Brassica* DB sequences to be specific to the *Brassica* genome. There is no amplification in radish nor in *Arabidopsis* th., but only in *Brassica*, with one 248 bp band.

[0116] 2) PGIint marker amplified a longer part of the Pgi-2 gene, allowing clear distinction between the various tested species *Brassica*, *Raphanus* and *Arabidopsis*. The species *B. rapa* and *B. oleracea* were not distinguished by the band size on agarose gel, but by their PGIINT band sequence.

[0117] 3) PGIunt marker, a combination of the PGI ol U and PGI int L primers. This marker had the specificity of the PGIol marker but amplifying a longer part as for PGIint one.

II.1 PGIol marker

[0118] With the PGIol primers, the 'R211' parental line showed no amplification, while the spring tested lines showed a 248bp band. Its DNA sequence is homologous to the PGI-2 sequences from the Crop Net UK DB in *Brassica* species and from previous work in our group (named SGAP sequences)(Localisation of the primers SG PGI chou, FIG. 4).

[0119] It was ortholog of the clone MJB21-12, on the chromosome V, (34543bp) in *Arabidopsis* (NCBI DB).

[0120] PGIol plus SG34 to set an Homozygosity test:

[0121] The combined use of two sets of primers in a mix PCR, PGIol marling the Pgi-2 gene absent in the homozygote restored plant and SG34 (from S. Giancola et al, Giancola S et al 2003 *Theor Appl. Genet.* (in press)), a very close marker to the Rfo gene, was set up to discriminate homozygous from heterozygous plant among the fertile plants segregating in F2 progenies derived from 'R211'. In place of using SG34, it is possible to use any other marker close to or in the Rfo gene.

[0122] Only one family R2000 showed no difference between homozygote and heterozygote offsprings:

[0123] The Pgi-2 gene is present in the R2000 homozygote, which is not the case for the parental homozygous R211.

[0124] In FIG. 5 (PGIol and SG34 PCR markers):

[0125] The homozygous 'R2000' family has recovered the PGIol band.

[0126] DNA sequence of the band confirmed the homology with the known *Arabidopsis* and *Brassica* Pgi-2 sequence. Control genotypes (Drakkar, Pactol, and, Samourai, Darmor) had the same pattern on the gel. Sequence of this common band allowed to confirm their high homology as they were quasi similar except one base substitution.

[0127] The homozygous 'R2000' family has recovered the PGIol band of the *Brassica oleracea* type. It was distinct from the known restorer of the Samourai group.

[0128] This amplified part of the Pgi-2 is very conserved and hardly any differences were shown among the various genotypes. A longer part of Pgi-2 gene was investigated.

II.2 PGIUNT and PGIint Markers

[0129] Electrophoresis Patterns of PCR Products:

[0130] PGIUNT marker: A second reverse primer, PGIint L, was designed further down the Pgi-2 sequence, to amplify as well conserved and as variable regions of the gene. When used with the PGIol U primer, it amplifies a 980bp band only in *Brassica* genomes.

[0131] R211 didn't show any band, The homozygous 'R2000' showed the PGIUNT band as in the Drakkar parent.

[0132] In FIG. 8 (PGIUNT Marker):

[0133] PGIint marker amplified a segment of PGIUNT. The upper primer PGIint allows the amplification in all tested species, allowing a clear distinction between *Arabidopsis*, Radish and *Brassica*. *B. rapa* and *B. oleracea* were not distinguished by the band size on agarose gel, but by their PGIint sequence. All tested restored genotypes, but the 'R211' line, exhibited the European radish band and one *Brassica* band, homologous to the *B. rapa* one.

[0134] The homozygous 'R2000' didn't show the radish PGIint band, as in the deleted 'R211' parental line, but showed one *Brassica* band, homologous to the *B. oleracea* one.

[0135] Electrophoresis of PGIint marker is represented in FIG. 9.

[0136] Sequence Analysis:

[0137] Comparison of the PGI sequences from the data bases.

[0138] A PGI segment of about 490bp is known.

[0139] Sequences of a segment of about 490bp from different genotypes (*B. oleracea*, *B. rapa*, *B. napus*) have been studied in our laboratory group and some sequences were given to *Brassica* Crop Net DB: Emaf25875 to 25788 by M.Fouramnn (4) These sequences are very conserved.

[0140] Comparison of the *B. rapa* et *B. oleracea* species PGI sequences (FIGS. 13 and 14): Comparison between PGI

sequences we have obtained from the tested genotypes of *B. oleracea* and *B. rapa* species, showed that they were distinct by 21 base substitutions. These substitutions allowed to distinguish PGIint sequences from the other tested genotypes of rapeseed, homologous to either *B. rapa* cv Asko (RRH1 and R113) or *B. oleracea* (Drakkar, R211*DK but also R2000).

Example III

Selection of Marker in a Region Close to Rfo

[0141] Markers surrounding the Rfo gene in the radish insertion were determined in order to facilitate the Rfo gene cloning (Desloires S et al 2003 *EMBO reports* 4, 6:588-594). One of these, the SG129 PCR marker was located very close to Rfo (Giancola S et al 2003 *Theor Appl. Genet.* (in press)); it co-amplified distinct bands in *B. oleracea* and *B. rapa* genomes of *B. napus*, but the radish band was very difficult to see on an agarose gel.

[0142] The target SG129 sequence was ortholog of a clone (ACO11000, at the locus F16P17) in *Arabidopsis thaliana*. This clone overlapped an *Arabidopsis* adjacent contig clone (AC07190).

[0143] From the *Brassica* Crop Net DB, we found one *B. oleracea* clone, (EMB448336, 764bp) blasting with the beginning of the A011000, and a second *B. oleracea* clone (EMB53971), distant from about 300bp on the *Arabidopsis* map, that blasted with the end of ACO7190.

[0144] We designed a new PCR marker, BolJon, between the two *B. oleracea* clones. We verified that it allowed amplification of a specific PCR bands in the different genotypes compared here.

[0145] In FIG. 16 (electrophoresis gel of BolJon PCR products):

[0146] In *Arabidopsis*, a BolJon 815bp band was amplified, homologue to the overlapping segment of the contigs.

[0147] In *Brassicaceae diploid* species, BolJon marker showed distinct bands: one of 950bp in *B. oleracea* and one of 870bp in *B. rapa*. It showed that the two *B. oleracea* clones (EMB53971 and EMB448336) are in sequence continuity in *Brassica* genome as it is for the ortholog sequences in *Arabidopsis*.

[0148] In *B. napus*, these two bands are co-amplified in the maintainer lines, Samourai or Drakkar.

[0149] In radish line7, one BolJon band was amplified of about 630 bp long. The band of the restored radish cmsRd81 was slightly smaller.

[0150] In all the restored rapeseed lines, one of the BolJon bands was of the same size as the radish line7. BolJon is a marker of the radish introgression.

[0151] The homozygous restored rapeseed lines, 'RRH1', 'R113' and also 'R211', only showed the *B. rapa* band and the 630bp radish band suggesting the *B. oleracea* ortholog of the target gene is absent or has been modified when the radish segment of chromosome was inserted into the rapeseed *B. oleracea* constitutive genome.

[0152] 'R2000' homozygote plants showed radish PCR BolJon, plus the two *Brassica* BolJon bands, again having recovered the *B. oleracea* one, lost in 'R211' and other restorer lines.

[0153] We designed a primer, pCP418L, specific of the *B. oleracea* genome in the tested species. With the SG129U primer it amplified only one PCR band (670bp) in the *B. oleracea* species. (FIG. 17).

[0154] There was no amplification in *B. rapa*, in radish, nor in *Arabidopsis*, but there was a clear CP418 band in *B. napus* maintainer lines. Its sequence was strictly homologous to the EMB448336 sequence. This marker was in a very conserved DNA sequence allowing no polymorphism between genotypes except by presence/absence.

[0155] In RRH1, R113 and in R211 there was no CP418 band, indicating as previously that the *B. oleracea* ortholog of the target gene is absent or has been modified following the radish insertion.

[0156] 'R2000' homozygote plants showed CP418 band, again having recovered the specific *B. oleracea* one.

[0157] In the present invention, a new recombined low GLS restorer line has been selected with a good female fertility. The poor value of line 'R211' allowed selection in the field for a rare recombination event and characterisation the 'R2000' family.

[0158] The homozygous 'R2000' presents a unique combination of the PGIol, PGIUNT, PGIint and BolJon markers when compared with the rapeseed restorer analysed yet: PGIint marker showed that the homozygous restored rapeseed lines, RRH1 and R113 presented the European radish band plus one *Brassica* band, homologous to *B. rapa* genome. 'R2000' shows no radish band, lost as in its parental deleted line R211, but showed one *Brassica* band homologous to *B. oleracea*. The ortholog PGIint sequence in its *B. rapa* genome is not amplified with this marker in R211 and Drakkar genetic background.

[0159] PGIol marker and PGIUNT marker sequences in restored lines RRH1 and R 113 were homologous to the *B. rapa* cv Asko one. In 'R2000', PGIUNT sequence is homologous to *B. oleracea*. The ortholog PGIUNT sequence in its *B. rapa* genome is not amplified with this marker in R211 and Drakkar genetic background.

[0160] BolJon marker showed that the homozygous restored rapeseed lines, including 'R211' presented the European radish band plus only the *B. rapa* one. 'R2000' shows the two bands of 'R211' plus the recovered *B. oleracea* BolJon band.

[0161] CP418 marker showed that 'R2000' recovered this conserved *B. oleracea* segment.

[0162] Our hypothesis is that a recombination event took place in the pollen mother cell which gave rise to 'R2000' plants. The deleted radish introgression was then integrated to the normal homologous chromosome segment, carrying the *B. oleracea* type Pgi-2 gene and BolJon target sequence, characterised by these markers, probably from the Drakkar '00' genome present in the irradiated heterozygous 'R211*DK'.

[0163] The pattern observed for BolJon suggests that the recombination event resulted in a particular duplicated region, one from radish and one *B. oleracea*, in the 'R2000' family.

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19. A method of producing double low restorer lines of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cytoplasmic male sterility (cms) presenting radish introgression carrying the Rfo restorer gene deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterised by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour, comprising:

- a) crossing double low cms lines of spring *Brassica napus* comprising a deleted radish insertion with the double low line of spring Drakkar for forming heterozygous restored plants of *Brassica napus*;
- b) irradiating before meiosis the heterozygous restored plants obtained in step a) with gamma ray irradiation;
- c) crossing pollen from flowers obtained in step b) with the cms double low spring Wesroona line;

d) testing the progeny for vigour, female fertility and transmission rate of the cms gene; and

e) selecting progeny lines.

20. The method of claim 19, wherein said irradiation dose in step b) is 65 Gray during 6 mn.

21. The method of claim 19 wherein the double low cms line of spring *Brassica napus* of step a) is R211.

22. The method of claim 19 wherein said testing is performed with the combination of five markers selected from the group consisting of PGIol, PGIUNT, PGIint, BolJon and CP418.

23. Double low restorer lines of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cytoplasmic male sterility (cms) presenting an Rfo insertion deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterised by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour.

24. The double low restorer lines of claim 23, wherein said lines present a unique combination of five markers selected from the group consisting of PGIol, PGIUNT, PGIint, BolJon and CP418.

25. A method of producing *Brassica napus* hybrid plants and progeny thereof, comprising:

a) providing a restorer line produced by the method of claim 19 and bred to be homozygous;

b) using said restorer line in a hybrid production field as the pollinator;

c) using cms sterile plants in a hybrid production field as the hybrid seed producing plant; and

d) harvesting the hybrid seed from the male sterile plant.

26. Seeds of *Brassica* plant developed from the *Brassica* line obtained by the method of claim 19.

27. Seeds of *Brassica napus* obtained by the method of claim 25.

28. Seeds of *Brassica napus* obtained by the method of claim 19 deposited in NCIMB Limited, under reference number NCIMB41183.

29. A method for characterising recombined restorer lines of *Brassica napus* for Ogura cms presenting a Rfo insertion deleted of the radish Pgi-2 allele and recombined with the Pgi-2 gene from *Brassica oleracea*, and having a good agronomic value characterised by female fertility, a good transmission rate of Rfo and a high vegetative vigour, comprising the use of at least four markers, PGIol, PGIint, BolJon and CP418, or any portion of them containing at least one polymorphic site.

30. The method of claim 29 wherein the combination of markers further comprises PGIUNT.

31. The method of claim 30, wherein:

the marker PGIol is amplified using the primers: PGIol U, comprising SEQ ID NO:6 and PGIol L, comprising SEQ ID NO:7;

the marker PGIint is amplified using the primers: PGIint U, comprising SEQ ID NO:8 and PGIint L, comprising SEQ ID NO:9;

the marker BolJon is amplified using the primers: BolJon U, comprising SEQ ID NO:12 and BolJon L, comprising SEQ ID NO:13;

the marker CP418 is amplified using the primers: SG129 U, and pCP418 L, comprising SEQ ID NO: 14;

the marker PGIUNT is amplified using the primers: PGIol U, comprising SEQ ID NO:6 and PGIint L, comprising SEQ ID NO:9.

32. A PGIol marker comprising SEQ ID NO:1.

33. A PGIUNT marker comprising SEQ ID NO:2.

34. A PGIint marker comprising SEQ ID NO:3.

35. A BolJon marker comprising SEQ ID NO:4.

36. A CP418 marker comprising SEQ ID NO:5.

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