

THE EFFECT OF PARENTAL
RELATEDNESS ON THE FITNESS IN
NEXT GENERATION OF THE GUPPY
Poecilia reticulata

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The Prediction of the Effect of Inbreeding and Evasion of Depression

- For the maintenance of genetic variability, large number of parental fish are required
- However, there is an limit of number of individual maintained as parental fish
- If we can predict the effect of inbreeding from heterozygosity and/or relatedness in the parental generation, the inbreeding depression on the next generation could be evaded
- Can inbreeding depression predict from parental heterozygosity?
- Can inbreeding depression predict from parental relatedness?



Maintained Condition

Water Temperature : $23 \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$

Light-Dark condition : 14L、10L

Density : 200 ~ 300 individuals in 60L
Aquarium

Feeding of Diet : Twice a Day

**AY Strain : Collected from the stream
from Ayutthaya, Thailand at
Dec. 2012**

**Na-1 Strain : Collected from the stream
Okinawa, Japan at Jul.
1999**

Strains Used for This Study

Randomly selected
5 Pairs From Each Strain
P Generation

Full-Sib Mating
of Obtained Offspring

Inbred F₀ Generation
180 days after Birth
Body size, Survival rate, Genetic
characteristics, Thermal Tolerance

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Inbred F₂ Generation
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Experimental procedure

Genetic Markers

Microsatellite DNA Markers : *ATCC2, AC3, AGAT11, Pret-46, Pret-49, Pret-69, Pret-71, Pret-72, Pret-80*

Evaluation of Genetic Variability :

Individual Heterozygosity,
Standardized Heterozygosity,
Mean Family Internal Relatedness,
Parental Relatedness

Evaluation of Fitness : Thermal Tolerance (TT)

Statistical Analysis : ANOVA, Multiple Regression
Analysis

13ℓ Water Bath

23°C → **23°C** → **37°C** → **37°C** → **37°C** → **37°C** ...

**Increase Water
Temperature
1°C/12 min**

30 min

30 min

30 min

**Individual
which lost
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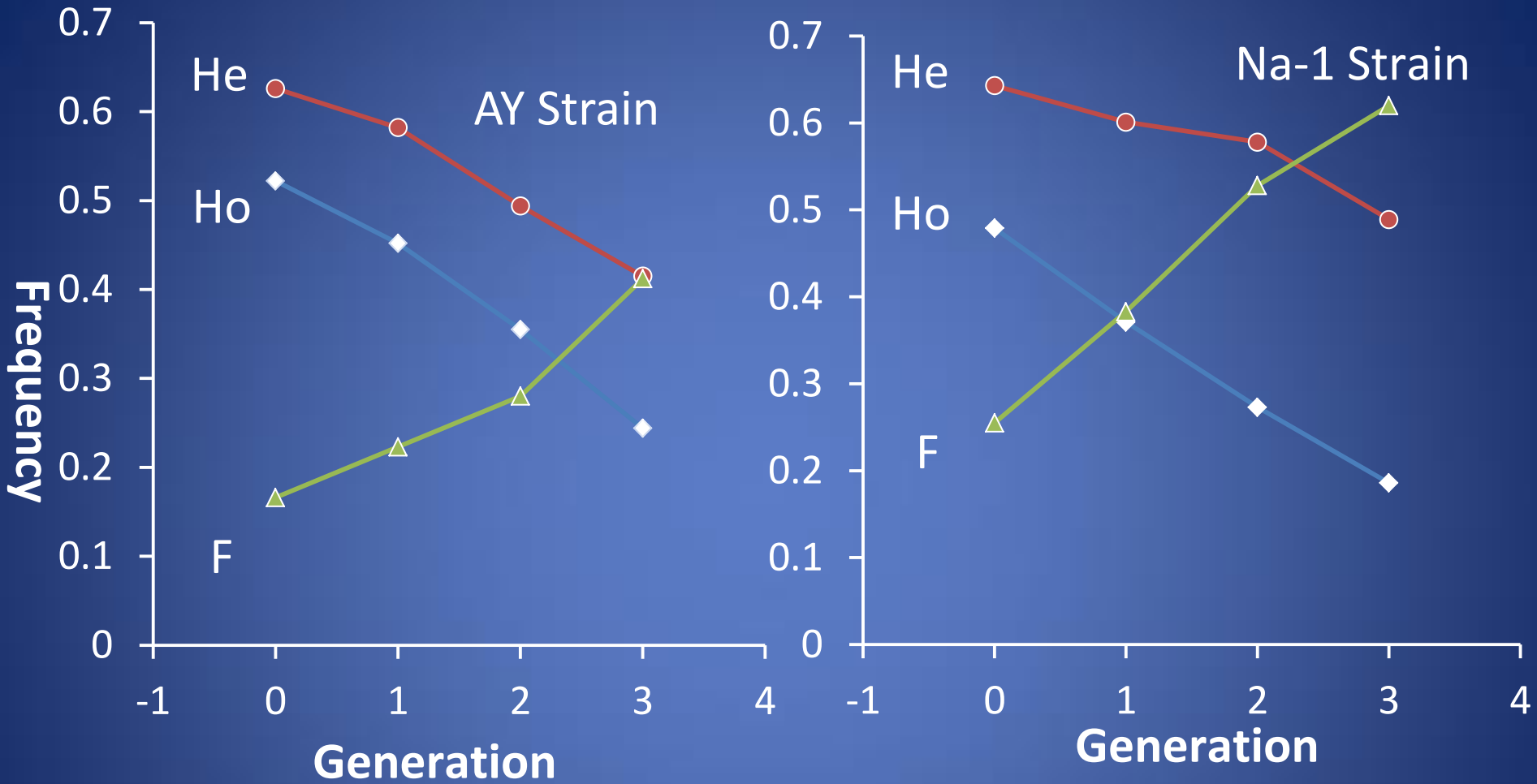
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The individuals are removed from water bath
and measure the body size

Evaluation of Thermal Tolerance

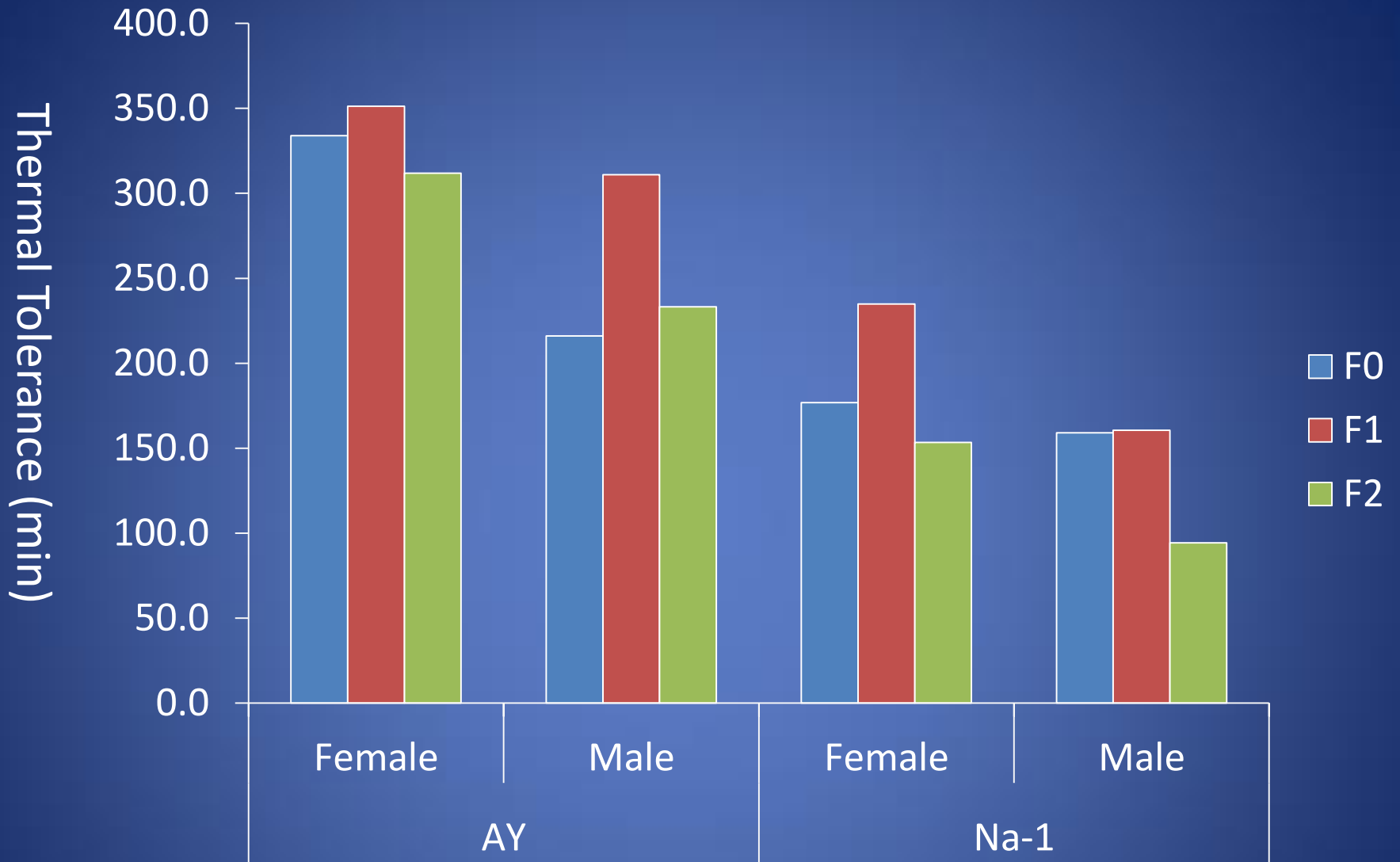
Survival Rate at 180 Days Old in each Generation

	AY			NA-1		
Genera tion	No. of Family	No. of Individual	Survival rate \pm SD	No. of Family	No. of Individual	Survival rate \pm SD
P	5	10		5	10	
F ₀	26	112	0.89 \pm 0.23 ^a	59	238	0.92 \pm 0.15 ^a
F ₁	62	245	0.80 \pm 0.29 ^b	56	230	0.79 \pm 0.23 ^b
F ₂	29	148	0.80 \pm 0.26 ^b	48	181	0.75 \pm 0.22 ^c
F ₃	35	112	0.75 \pm 0.30 ^c	58	243	0.74 \pm 0.29 ^c



$$F = (He - Ho) / He$$

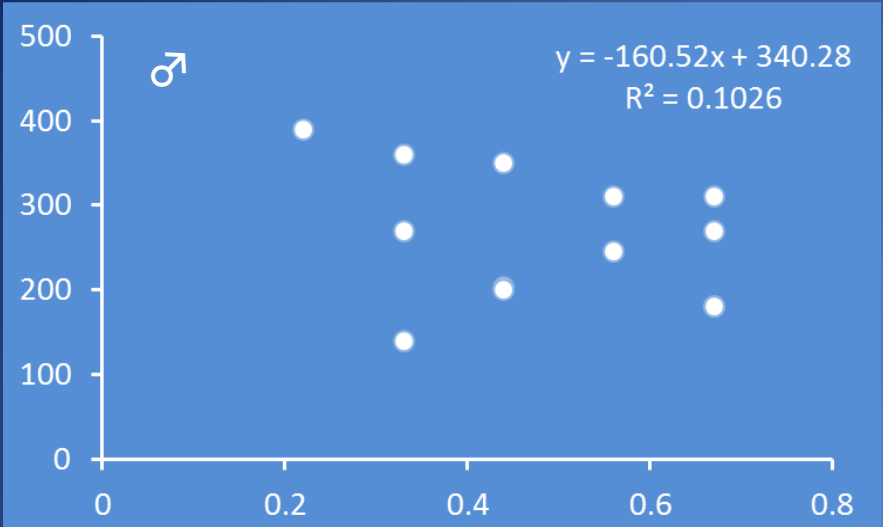
Change of Genetic Characteristics According to Inbreeding Generation



Change of Thermal Tolerance According to the Inbreeding Generation

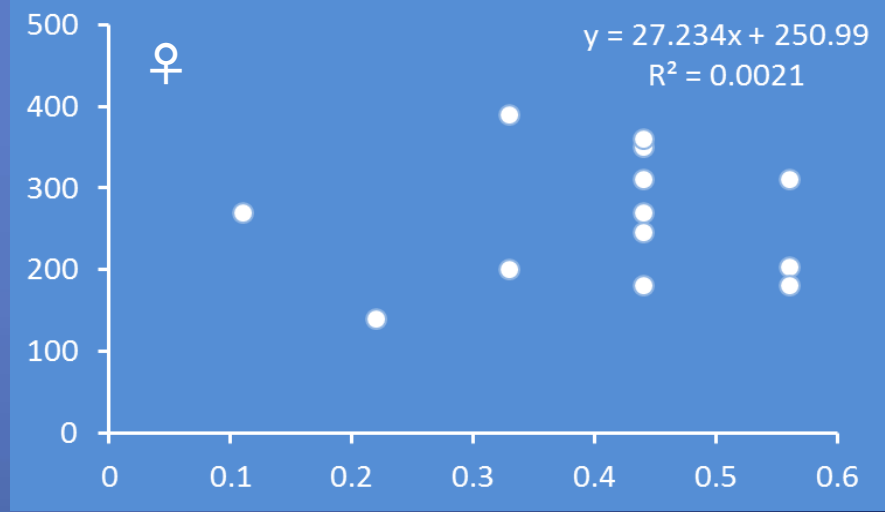
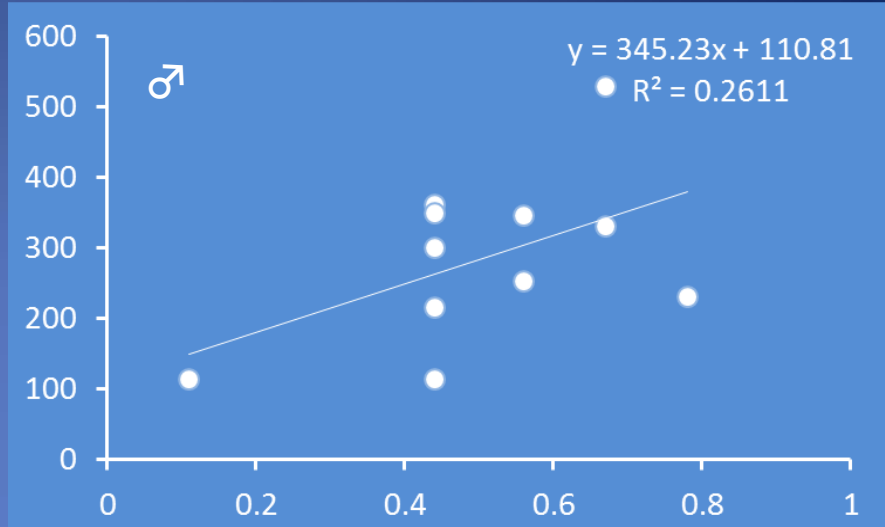
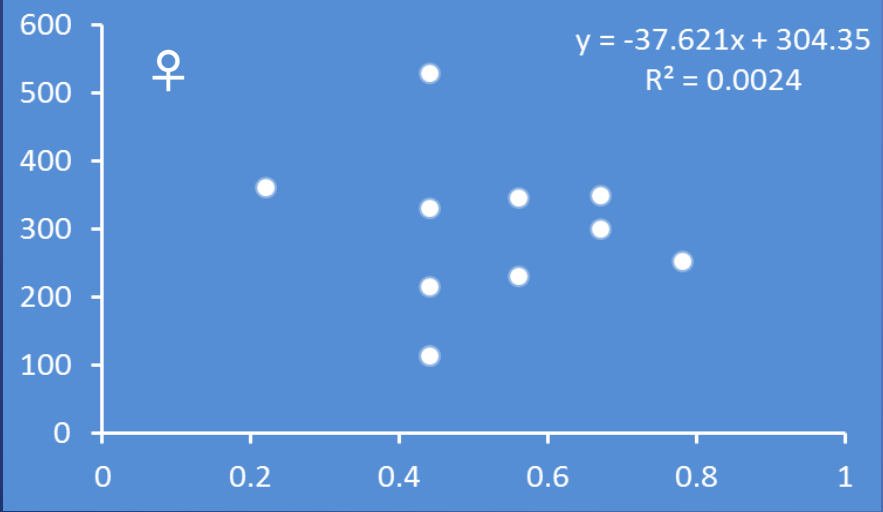
F₀ to F₁

Thermal Tolerance (Min)



F₁ to F₂

Thermal Tolerance (Min)



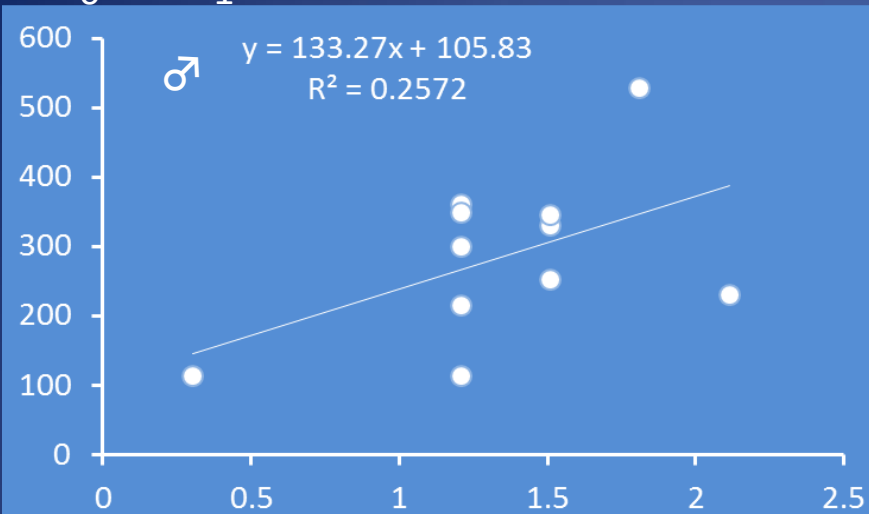
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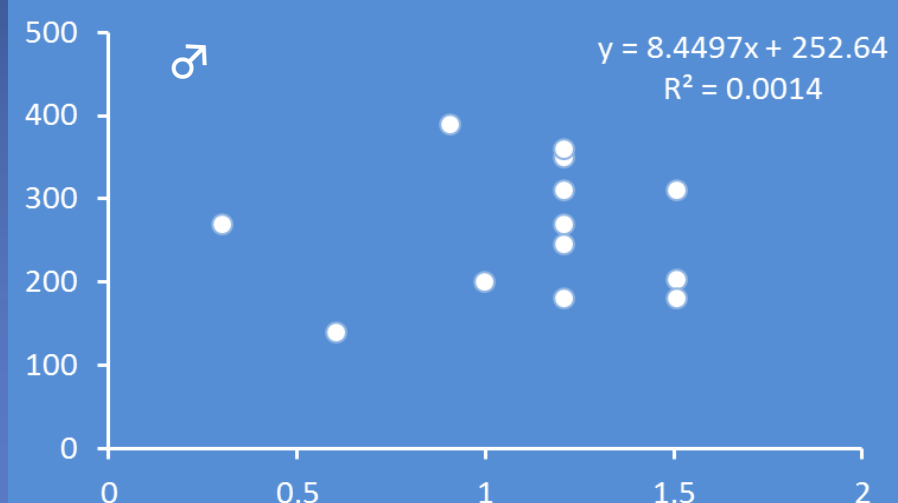
Correlation Between Parental Individual Heterozygosity and Thermal Tolerance in Their Offspring (AY strain)

F₀ to F₁

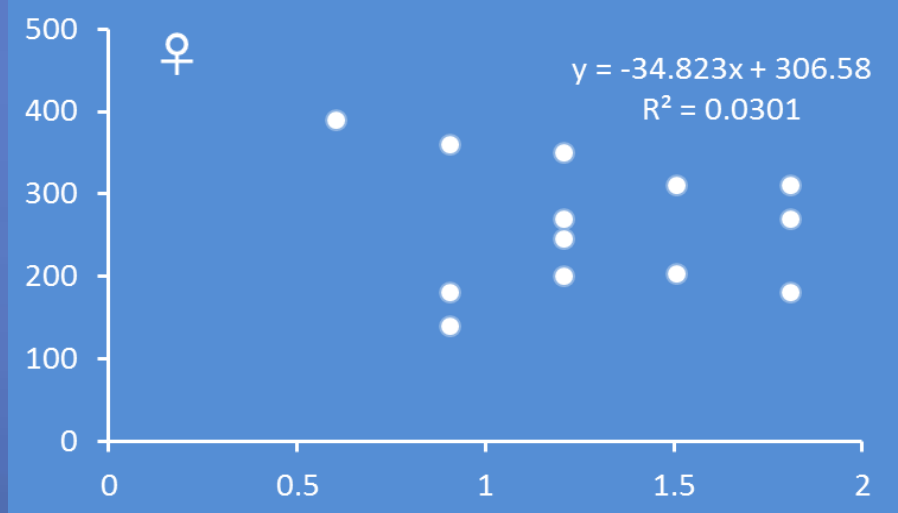
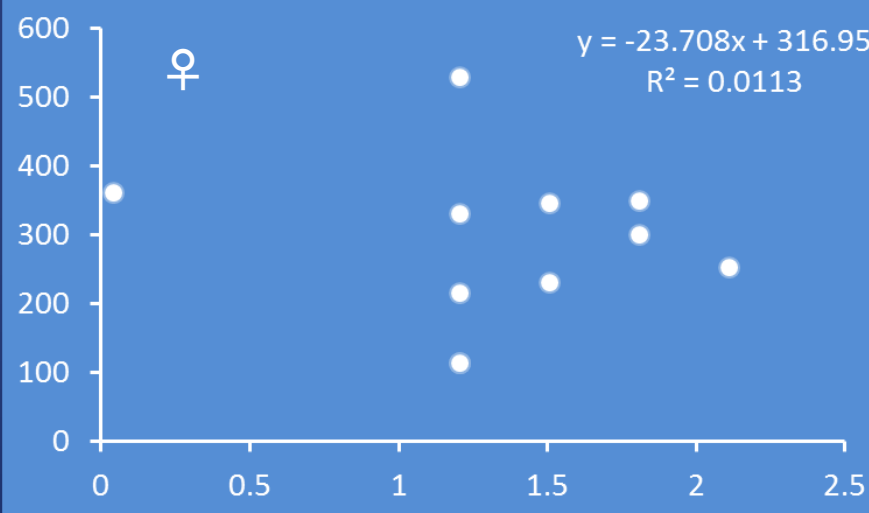
Thermal Tolerance (min)



F₁ to F₂



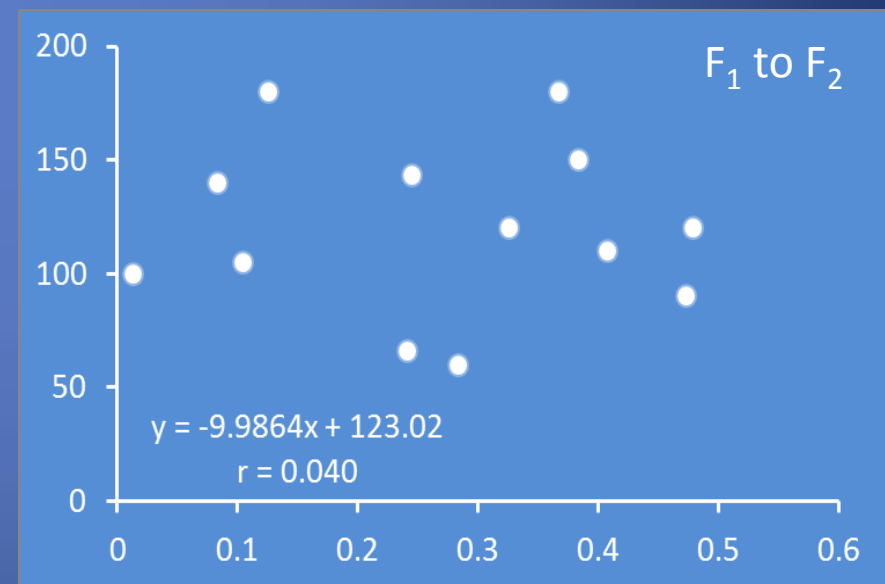
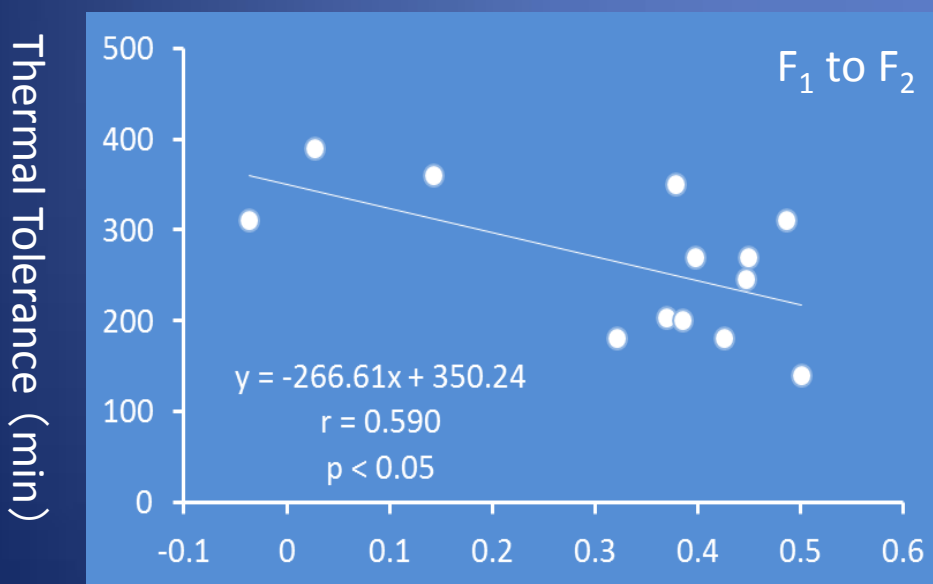
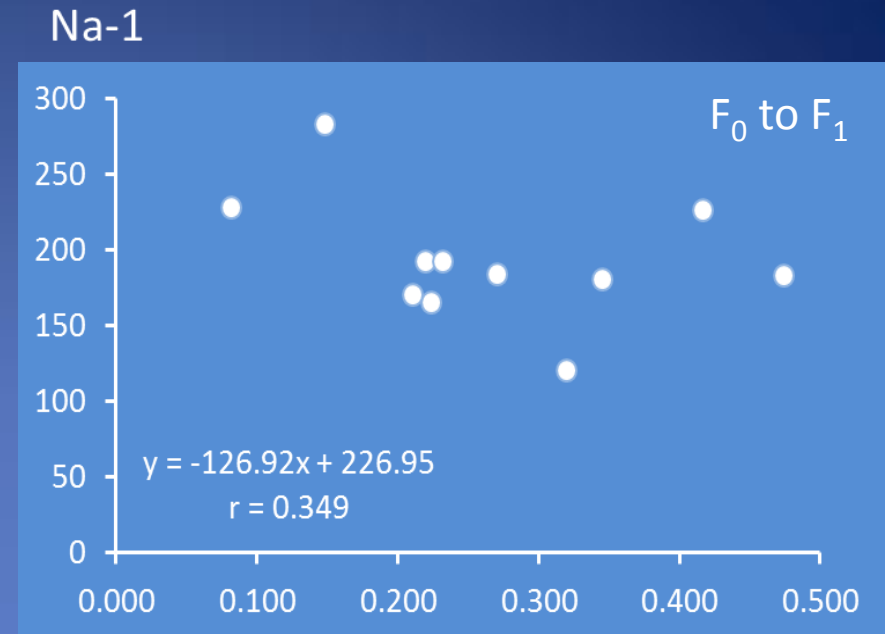
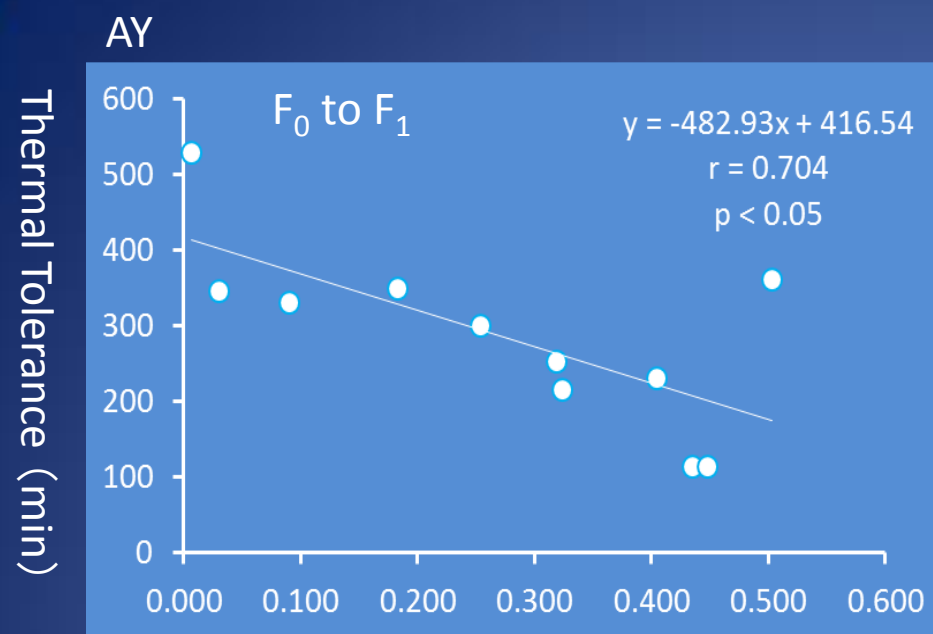
Thermal Tolerance (min)



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Correlation between Parental Standardized Heterozygosity and Their Thermal Tolerance (AY Strain)



Parental Relatedness

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Correlation between Parental Relatedness and Thermal Tolerance in Their Offspring

Multiple Regression Analysis

- Response Valuable : Thermal Tolerance
- Explanatory Valuable : Generation, Strain, Sex, Individual Heterozygosity, Standardized Heterozygosity, Parental Relatedness, Mean Family Internal Relatedness, Parental Thermal Tolerance

Results of Multiple Regression Analysis

Valuable	Partial regression coefficient	Standard Error	Standardized Partial Regression Coefficient	P value	
Generation	-52.091	18.438	-0.178	0.0051	**
Strain	127.146	16.375	0.443	0.0000	**
Sex	69.231	13.953	0.240	0.0000	**
IH Male	-261.618	360.662	-0.267	0.4689	
IH Female	-303.891	127.622	-0.407	0.0180	*
SH Male	152.421	134.014	0.407	0.2565	
SH Female	91.055	43.658	0.310	0.0381	*
Parental Relatedness	-227.163	48.301	-0.256	0.0000	**
MF IR	23.943	98.964	0.034	0.8090	
Parent Male TT	-0.144	0.089	-0.095	0.1048	
Parent Female TT	0.080	0.061	0.092	0.1933	
Constant	228.620	93.193		0.0149	*

** : $P < 0.01$ * : $P < 0.05$ $R^2 = 0.438$ $p = 0.000$

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Generation → Decrease of fitness according to generation

Strain → AY is stronger than Na-1

Sex → Female is stronger than male

Parental Relatedness → Parental genetic similarity influence to the fitness of next generation

Conclusion

- Parental relatedness and thermal tolerance in their offspring indicated negative regression.
- Negative regression indicates that the high similarity in parents leads low fitness in next generation.
- It was suggested that the inbreeding depression in the offspring generation could be predicted from the parental relatedness.