

Unraveling the Complex Hybrid Ancestry and Domestication History of Cultivated Strawberry

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Abstract

Cultivated strawberry (*Fragaria × ananassa*) is one of our youngest domesticates, originating in early eighteenth-century Europe from spontaneous hybrids between wild allo-octoploid species (*Fragaria chiloensis* and *Fragaria virginiana*). The improvement of horticultural traits by 300 years of breeding has enabled the global expansion of strawberry production. Here, we describe the genomic history of strawberry domestication from the earliest hybrids to modern cultivars. We observed a significant increase in heterozygosity among interspecific hybrids and a decrease in heterozygosity among domesticated descendants of those hybrids. Selective sweeps were found across the genome in early and modern phases of domestication—59–76% of the selectively swept genes originated in the three less dominant ancestral subgenomes. Contrary to the tenet that genetic diversity is limited in cultivated strawberry, we found that the octoploid species harbor massive allelic diversity and that *F. × ananassa* harbors as much allelic diversity as either wild founder. We identified 41.8 M subgenome-specific DNA variants among resequenced wild and domesticated individuals. Strikingly, 98% of common alleles and 73% of total alleles were shared between wild and domesticated populations. Moreover, genome-wide estimates of nucleotide diversity were virtually identical in *F. chiloensis*, *F. virginiana*, and *F. × ananassa* ($\pi = 0.0059$ – 0.0060). We found, however, that nucleotide diversity and heterozygosity were significantly lower in modern *F. × ananassa* populations that have experienced significant genetic gains and have produced numerous agriculturally important cultivars.

Key words: *Fragaria*, polyploid, genome evolution, selection, nucleotide diversity, linkage disequilibrium.

Introduction

The popular garden plant commonly known as cultivated strawberry (*Fragaria × ananassa*) is a homoploid hybrid species with a unique domestication history spanning less than 300 years (Duchesne 1766; Darrow 1966). The first *F. × ananassa* individuals originated in western Europe in the early 1700s as spontaneous hybrids between nonsympatric ecotypes of cross-compatible allo-octoploid ($2n = 8 \times = 56$) species *Fragaria virginiana* and *Fragaria chiloensis* native to North and South America, respectively. Wild-collected specimens of these species were introduced to Europe in the 1600s and 1700s and became established in common gardens where they freely hybridized (Darrow 1966). Offspring from these spontaneous hybrids were reported to be phenotypically unique and horticulturally superior to their parents. The interspecific origin of these hybrids, however, went undiscovered for nearly a half century (Duchesne 1766). The original hybrids and their descendants were disseminated and cultivated in Europe for nearly a century, far

from the centers of diversity of *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* (Barnet 1826; Millet 1898; Staudt 1962, 1989, 1999, 2003, 2009), before migrating to North America in the early nineteenth century and spreading worldwide (Fletcher 1917; Darrow 1937, 1966). Their horticultural superiority and phenotypic diversity drove the domestication and agricultural ascendancy of *F. × ananassa* over either parent species (Darrow 1966; Hancock et al. 1999; Finn et al. 2013).

The process of domestication entails the selection and preferential propagation of specific phenotypes, which invariably leaves signatures of selection in the genomes of the improved individuals (Ross-Ibarra et al. 2007; Purugganan and Fuller 2009; Meyer and Purugganan 2013; Gaut et al. 2018). Analyses of these genomic signatures can identify loci targeted by selection and shed light on the effects of selection, bottlenecks, migration, and admixture on genetic variation within and between populations (Tenaillon et al. 2001; Buckler et al. 2006; Doebley et al. 2006; Ross-Ibarra et al. 2007; Purugganan and Fuller 2009, 2011; Gross and Olsen 2010; van

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Heerwaarden et al. 2012; Hufford et al. 2012; Gaut et al. 2018). Selective sweeps arise in genomes when background selection decreases genetic variation among neutral loci that are swept or “hitchhike” in haploblocks harboring loci targeted by selection (Chen et al. 2010; Schrider et al. 2016; Gaut et al. 2018). The signatures of selection are typically strong across chronological and demographic boundaries in plants and animals, especially those with long domestication histories, for example, wine grape (*Vitis vinifera*; Zhou et al. 2017), wheat (*Triticum aestivum*; Akhunov et al. 2010; Balfourier et al. 2019; Pont et al. 2019), maize (*Zea mays*; Doebley 2004; Buckler et al. 2006; Chia et al. 2012; Hufford et al. 2012; van Heerwaarden et al. 2012), and dog (*Canis lupus familiaris*; Freedman et al. 2004).

The domestication of cultivated strawberry has been considerably shorter and faster than that of the aforementioned species and thus does not necessarily follow classic models of domestication (Doebley et al. 2006; Purugganan and Fuller 2009; Gaut et al. 2018). Despite the recency of domestication, we hypothesized that intense selection and population bottlenecks have profoundly altered genetic variation and left signatures of selection in the genomes of heirloom and modern cultivars. With less than 300 years since the beginning of *F. × ananassa* domestication, and a tradition of clonal preservation of heirloom and modern cultivars, extensive genetic resources exist to investigate how domestication and breeding have reshaped genetic diversity and population structure in *F. × ananassa* (Sjulin and Dale 1987; Horvath et al. 2011; Sánchez-Sevilla et al. 2015; Hardigan et al. 2018, 2020; Pincot et al. 2020). Over the last 50 years in particular, modern plant breeding has significantly and progressively improved several agriculturally important phenotypes and produced high yielding cultivars that have enabled the global expansion of strawberry production. While the phenotypic changes and genetic gains have been profound, the underlying genomic changes have largely remained a mystery, in part because subgenome-specific DNA variation could not be adequately analyzed on a genome-wide scale until an octoploid genome was assembled (Hardigan et al. 2018, 2020; Edger et al. 2019).

The development of a reference genome for *F. × ananassa* (Edger et al. 2019) was critical for addressing the questions tackled in the present study. Using the octoploid reference genome as a foundation, Hardigan et al. (2020) found that nucleotide diversity was sufficient to differentiate homoeologous DNA sequences and resolve subgenome-specific DNA variation across the genome. Most importantly from a technical perspective, they showed that 83.0% of short-read (paired-end 150 bp) DNA sequences could be unambiguously aligned to the octoploid reference genome. This technical hurdle, which limited earlier studies of genetic diversity in the octoploids, undoubtedly perpetuated the misconception that DNA variation was limited and could not be resolved in the octoploid (Gaston et al. 2020).

The narrative history of strawberry domestication has been chronicled by Darrow (1966) and others (Clausen 1915; Fletcher 1917; Sjulin and Dale 1987; Sjulin 2006); however, we only have a cursory understanding of the genomic history, and virtually no understanding of the magnitude and

distribution of DNA variation in the wild progenitors and domesticated populations (Sjulin and Dale 1987; Sánchez-Sevilla et al. 2015; Hardigan et al. 2018). One of the curious dogmas to emerge from previous studies is that genetic variation is limited in *F. × ananassa* (Sjulin and Dale 1987; Hancock et al. 1993; Horvath et al. 2011; Sánchez-Sevilla et al. 2015; Gaston et al. 2020). We suspect that this perception stems from the observation that a disproportionate fraction of the alleles found in certain domesticated populations have flowed through a small number of common ancestors (Sjulin and Dale 1987; Dale, Sjulin, and others 1990; Pincot et al. 2020). We examined this question in greater depth in the present study and in companion studies where we comparatively genetically mapped the genomes of *F. chiloensis*, *F. virginiana*, and *F. × ananassa*, identified DNA variants across the octoploid genome, developed high-density single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) arrays using DNA sequences anchored to the octoploid reference genome, and reconstructed and analyzed the genealogy of cultivated strawberry from early hybrids to modern cultivars (Hardigan et al. 2020; Pincot et al. 2020). From the latter analysis, we identified 1,438 founders in the ancestry of *F. × ananassa* (Pincot et al. 2020). Although the contributions of common ancestors to genetic variation in domesticated populations were found to be unbalanced, the sheer number of founders suggested that domesticated populations might harbor significant genetic variation (Pincot et al. 2020), a hypothesis tested in the present study. The inferences in earlier studies were limited by the absence of genome-wide estimates of nucleotide diversity and heterozygosity, both of which were estimated in the present study from DNA variants identified by resequencing geographically and demographically diverse wild and domesticated individuals.

To elucidate the genetic structure of strawberry populations worldwide, several hundred wild and domesticated individuals were genotyped with 50 K or 850 K SNP arrays (Hardigan et al. 2020). The resequenced and genotyped individuals analyzed in the present study were predicted from earlier studies to effectively sample global genetic diversity (Horvath et al. 2011; Sánchez-Sevilla et al. 2015; Hardigan et al. 2018, 2020; Pincot et al. 2020), and included heirloom and modern cultivars developed in public breeding programs in North America, Europe, and Asia and wild individuals (ecotypes) collected across the geographic ranges of the octoploid founders. Here, we describe how domestication and breeding have reshaped genetic variation in *F. × ananassa*, present in-depth analyses of horticulturally important populations developed at the University of California, Davis (hereafter the “California” population) and the University of Florida (hereafter the “Florida” population), show that the octoploid species harbor massive allelic diversity, and further show that genetic variation has been broadly conserved in the global *F. × ananassa* population. Furthermore, we show that *F. virginiana* alleles have accumulated with greater frequency than *F. chiloensis* alleles in domesticated populations and that 59–76% of domestication-associated selective sweeps are found in the B, C, and D subgenomes (Edger et al. 2019). The importance of genetic variation in each of the four

subgenomes is discussed in light of the transcriptional dominance of the A subgenome, the closest extant relative of the diploid progenitor being *Fragaria vesca* ssp. *bracteata* (Edger et al. 2019).

Results and Discussion

Chromosome Nomenclature and the Ancient Subgenomes of Octoploid *Fragaria*

Strawberry lacks a common language for homoeologous chromosomes and subgenomes analogous to those in allohexaploid wheat (*Triticum aestivum*), allo-tetraploid peanut (*Arachis hypogaea*), and other allo-polyplloid plants where universal chromosome and linkage group nomenclatures have long existed and empowered genetic and genomic studies (Pont et al. 2013; Salse 2016; Bertioli et al. 2019). Several independent linkage group nomenclatures with differing subgenome compositions have been applied in strawberry, challenging the integration of genetic and physical mapping information across studies (Hardigan et al. 2020). There is a broad consensus that *F. vesca* (A) and *Fragaria iinumae* (B) are two of the diploid ancestors of *F. × ananassa*; however, the subgenome assignment and chromosome nomenclature problem has persisted because of disagreements over the identities of the two remaining diploid ancestors, C and D (Tennesen et al. 2014; Edger et al. 2019, 2020; Liston et al. 2020). The ancestral ambiguity surrounding the nondominant C and D subgenomes stems from the multispecies origin of DNA comprising octoploid chromosomes (interspecific intra-chromosomal DNA variation), which have been evolutionarily reengineered through homoeologous exchanges (HEs), gene conversion events, and biased fractionation of ancestral gene contents (Edger et al. 2019). These phenomena are widespread and have been extensively documented in polyploid plants (Freeling et al. 2012; Renny-Byfield, Rodgers-Melnick, and Ross-Ibarra 2017; Bird et al. 2018; Edger et al. 2018a; Alger and Edger 2020). In the absence of these phenomena, assigning C and D subgenome origins would be straightforward, assuming the diploid ancestors or sufficiently close relatives existed (Edger et al. 2018a, 2019; Hardigan et al. 2020). Instead, these evolutionary processes created mosaics of ancestral DNA on the octoploid chromosomes, which we demonstrated through an analysis of the homology between transcripts from diploid species and genetic sequences in the octoploid genome (Table 1; supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online), and whole-genome alignment of *F. vesca* and *F. × ananassa* (fig. 1). We tackled the problem of assigning chromosomes to subgenomes in the present study using the transcriptomes of *F. vesca* subsp. *bracteata*, *F. iinumae*, *Fragaria nipponica*, and *Fragaria viridis*, which are the closest living diploid relatives of *F. × ananassa* identified by Edger et al. (2019). Our analyses shed light on the intrachromosomal composition of ancestral DNA, which we used in combination with genetic and physical mapping information to assign chromosomes to subgenomes.

Because homoeologous chromosomes are syntenic in octoploid strawberry (e.g., 1A, 1B, 1C, and 1D are syntenic), we oriented and numbered them according to their homology

with *F. vesca* chromosomes (Shulaev et al. 2011; Edger et al. 2018b), similarly to most of the previous linkage group nomenclatures [reviewed by Hardigan et al. (2020)]. The assignment of homoeologous chromosomes to the A and B subgenomes was straightforward and unambiguous. *F. vesca* was the dominant source of genic DNA on 23 of 28 chromosomes, whereas *F. iinumae* was the dominant source of genic DNA on the other five chromosomes (Table 1; supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online). *F. vesca* constituted 74.2–81.4% of the genic DNA on seven of the 28 chromosomes. Those chromosomes were assigned to the A subgenome (table 1; supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online). *F. iinumae* constituted 34.6–44.9% of the genic DNA on seven of the remaining 21 chromosomes. The former were assigned to the B subgenome because *F. iinumae* genic DNA percentages ranged from 2.0 to 10.9 on the other 14 chromosomes. *F. vesca* DNA percentages ranged from 27.6 to 38.6 on the seven chromosomes we assigned to the B subgenome, in some cases being as prevalent as *F. iinumae* DNA on chromosomes of *F. iinumae* origin. This highlighted the mixed diploid ancestry of extant octoploid chromosomes, and transference of nonancestral DNA into the nondominant subgenomes.

With A and B subgenome assignments resolved, the remaining 14 chromosomes were assigned to the C and D subgenomes by applying the same rules and logic. After separating the *F. vesca* and *F. iinumae* DNA fractions, we were able to assign twelve of 14 chromosomes unequivocally to the C and D subgenomes based on whether the *F. nipponica* or *F. viridis* transcripts accounted for the largest remaining fraction of gene sequence (table 1; supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online). Subgenome assignments for the other two chromosomes (specifically 2C and 1D) were equally straightforward but slightly more complicated. We assigned 2C to the C subgenome even though the estimated subgenome fraction was greater for *F. viridis* (18.3%) than *F. nipponica* (14.4%) because the estimated *F. nipponica* subgenome fraction for 2D (13.6%) was less than that for 2C (14.4%). Similarly, we assigned 1D to the D subgenome even though the estimated subgenome fraction was greater for *F. nipponica* (20.8%) than for *F. viridis* (16.7%) because the estimated *F. viridis* subgenome fraction for 1C (8.9%) was less than that for 1D (16.7%). The intrachromosomal patterns of mixed ancestral DNA variation that we observed highlight the complex evolutionary history of the octoploid genome (Edger et al. 2019, 2020).

Strikingly, our subgenome assignments for 24 of the 28 chromosomes (table 1; supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online) were concordant with the subgenome assignments proposed by Sargent et al. (2016) from genetic mapping studies. The subgenome assignments proposed by Sargent et al. (2016) are shown in an updated and expanded version of the Rosetta Stone developed by Hardigan et al. (2020) to cross-reference linkage group nomenclatures (supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online). Our A and B subgenome assignments are identical to those proposed by Tennesen et al. (2014). Other than chromosome 6B, the A and B subgenome assignments

Table 1. Chromosome and subgenome assignments and nomenclature.

Chromosome nomenclature					Diploid transcript frequency (%) ^c			
Original ^a	Proposed	Sargent et al. (2016)	Tennesen et al. (2014)	Closest diploid relative ^b	<i>F. vesca</i>	<i>F. iinumae</i>	<i>F. nipponica</i>	<i>F. viridis</i>
1-4	1A	1A	I-Av	<i>F. vesca</i>	77.1	5.7	5.0	12.1
2-2	2A	2A	II-Av	<i>F. vesca</i>	81.4	7.1	3.8	7.7
3-4	3A	3A	III-Av	<i>F. vesca</i>	80.2	8.0	3.7	8.0
4-3	4A	4A	IV-Av	<i>F. vesca</i>	78.6	9.7	3.9	7.8
5-1	5A	5A	V-Av	<i>F. vesca</i>	80.8	7.6	3.5	8.1
6-1	6A	6A	VI-Av	<i>F. vesca</i>	77.2	7.8	5.3	9.7
7-2	7A	7A	VII-Av	<i>F. vesca</i>	74.2	11.2	4.5	10.1
1-2	1B	1b	I-Bi	<i>F. iinumae</i>	35.8	40.4	15.6	8.3
2-4	2B	2b	II-Bi	<i>F. iinumae</i>	35.3	39.7	11.5	13.5
3-2	3B	3b	III-Bi	<i>F. iinumae</i>	36.5	37.7	12.6	13.2
4-4	4B	4b	IV-Bi	<i>F. iinumae</i>	38.6	34.6	12.6	14.2
5-3	5B	5b	V-Bi	<i>F. iinumae</i>	27.6	44.9	14.1	13.5
6-3	6B	6X2	VI-Bi	<i>F. iinumae</i>	33.7	40.6	13.7	12.0
7-3	7B	7b	VII-Bi	<i>F. iinumae</i>	37.5	37.5	10.0	15.0
1-3	1C	1X2	I-B2	<i>F. nipponica</i>	57.4	7.9	25.7	8.9
2-1	2C	2X2	II-B1	<i>F. nipponica</i>	64.4	2.9	14.4	18.3
3-3	3C	3X2	III-B1	<i>F. nipponica</i>	58.4	5.3	22.1	14.2
4-2	4C	4X2	IV-B2	<i>F. nipponica</i>	54.4	7.8	19.4	18.4
5-4	5C	5X1	V-B2	<i>F. nipponica</i>	56.2	3.8	21.9	18.1
6-2	6C	6b	VI-B1	<i>F. nipponica</i>	58.2	2.0	22.2	17.6
7-1	7C	7X2	VII-B2	<i>F. nipponica</i>	44.1	5.1	32.2	18.6
1-1	1D	1X1	I-B1	<i>F. viridis</i>	56.9	5.6	20.8	16.7
2-3	2D	2X1	II-B2	<i>F. viridis</i>	55.5	10.9	13.6	20.0
3-1	3D	3X1	III-B2	<i>F. viridis</i>	53.2	3.2	17.7	25.8
4-1	4D	4X1	IV-B1	<i>F. viridis</i>	52.7	6.5	15.1	25.8
5-2	5D	5X2	V-B1	<i>F. viridis</i>	53.8	8.4	18.5	19.3
6-4	6D	6X1	VI-B2	<i>F. viridis</i>	54.7	5.4	19.6	20.3
7-4	7D	7X1	VII-B1	<i>F. viridis</i>	66.2	2.6	9.1	22.1

^aOriginal nomenclature proposed for chromosomes (pseudo-molecules) in the *F. × ananassa* "Camarosa" genome assembly (Edger et al. 2019).

^bHypothesized closest living diploid relatives of ancient diploid donors of chromosomes found in *F. × ananassa* subgenomes.

^cSubgenome fractions were estimated from phylogenetic analysis of the transcriptomes of the hypothesized ancient diploid donors of genes found in the A, B, C, and D subgenomes of octoploid *Fragaria*.

of Sargent et al. (2016) are identical to those proposed by Tennesen et al. (2014). The inconsistencies we identified between the Tennesen et al. (2014) and Sargent et al. (2016) linkage group nomenclatures were otherwise limited to the C and D subgenomes, which were consistent with the more complex and ambiguous ancestral origins of those subgenomes (table 1; supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online). Our subgenome assignments are discordant with the linkage group assignments proposed by Tennesen et al. (2014) for four out of seven chromosomes in both the C and D subgenomes. Conversely, our C and D subgenome assignments were similar to those proposed by Sargent et al. (2016). The only discordance was for chromosomes 5C, 6C, and 5D, which were interchanged between the C and D subgenomes by Sargent et al. (2016); specifically, we discovered that chromosome 5C = 5X1, 6C = 6b, and 5D = 5X2, where B = b, C = X2, and D = X1 are the respective subgenome designations (supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online). These comparisons highlight the quagmire of symbols, ciphers, and alphabets stymying the translation of results between genetic studies in strawberry. The proposed chromosome nomenclature provides a sound and logical framework for navigating the strawberry genome, which has been widely shown to be stably allo-octoploid (Rousseau-Gueutin et al. 2008; Tennesen et al. 2014;

Sargent et al. 2016; Hardigan et al. 2020; Whitaker et al. 2020). We adopted the proposed chromosome orientations and nomenclature in the present study and for annotating newly developed phased chromosome-scale haploid assemblies of the *F. × ananassa* genome (unpublished data).

The identities of the C and D ancestors might never be resolved unequivocally. They could be extinct species, and their closest extant relatives may have become weak surrogates as the result of diploid species divergence and movement of nonancestral DNA into the C and D subgenomes (Edger et al. 2019, 2020). Liston et al. (2020) and Feng et al. (2021) challenged the validity of two of the closest available surrogates applied in our study (*F. nipponica* and *F. viridis*). Liston et al. (2020) argued that the C and D ancestors were two *F. iinumae*-like species that are either extinct, undiscovered, or never existed. Edger et al. (2020) sequenced and analyzed the *F. iinumae* genome and showed that only one of the octoploid strawberry subgenomes was *F. iinumae*-like, which cast serious doubt on the Liston et al. (2020) or Feng et al. (2021) hypotheses. Liston et al. (2020) and Feng et al. (2021) did not address the problem of intrachromosomal ancestral DNA variation in their phylogenetic approaches, nor did they identify other ancestors that could be used to assign chromosomes to subgenomes. They argued that the Edger et al. (2020) model was incorrect without providing an alternative model for the ancestors of subgenomes C and D. We

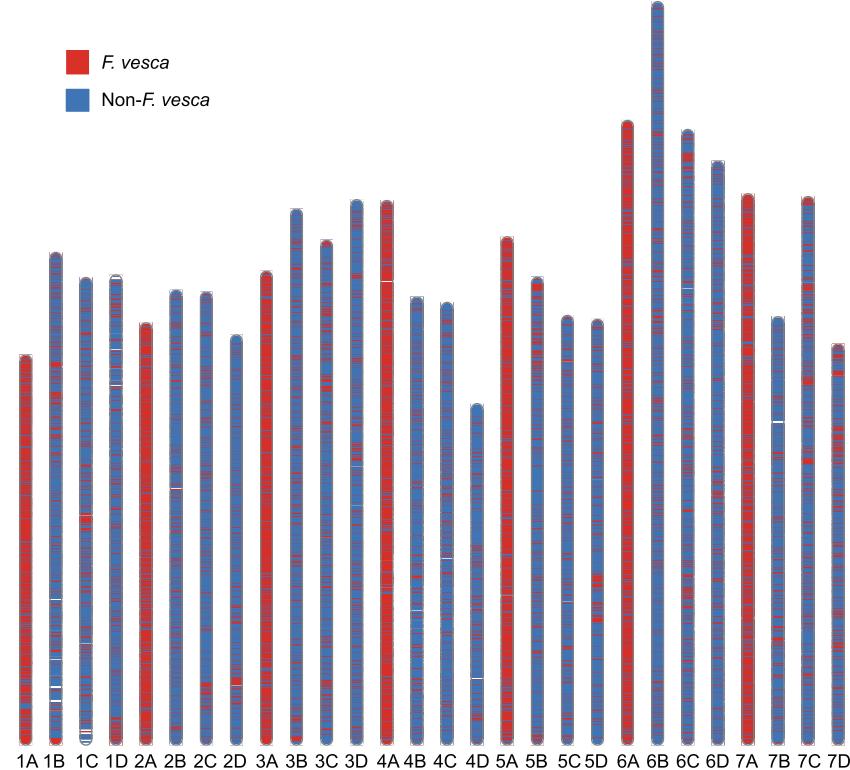


FIG. 1. Distribution of *F. vesca* and non-*F. vesca* DNA sequences in the octoploid genome. The distribution of *F. vesca* DNA was ascertained by aligning the *F. vesca* “Hawaii” v4.0 genome assembly (Edger et al. 2018b) to the *Fragaria* × *ananassa* “Camarosa” v1.0 genome assembly (Edger et al. 2019). DNA sequence distributions in the octoploid genome were visualized using the R package RIdrogram (Hao et al. 2020).

acknowledge that those species could be extinct and thus unavailable for analysis. However, if their main challenge to the subgenome assignment problem is missing ancestral species, the best solution is to use information from the closest living C and D relatives.

Feng et al. (2021) used the octoploid short-read DNA sequences developed by Hardigan et al. (2020), the diploid *F. iinumae* genome developed by Edger et al. (2020), and an alignment-based approach to argue that *F. viridis* was not one of the diploid ancestors of *F. × ananassa*. Feng et al. (2021) stated that their “finding is in agreement with the results of Liston et al. (2020) but rejects the hypothesis of Edger et al. (2019, 2020),” and that their “results effectively resolve conflicting hypotheses regarding the putative diploid progenitors of the cultivated strawberry.” Feng et al. (2021) suggested that the lack of confirmation of *F. viridis* ancestry using their approach supported the Liston et al. (2020) hypothesis of three *F. iinumae*-like ancestors, without providing any evidence of *F. iinumae* ancestry for two additional subgenomes. Furthermore, they omitted any discussion of the counterarguments and genomic evidence presented by Edger et al. (2020), which ruled out additional *F. iinumae*-like ancestors. Edger et al. (2020), in a rebuttal to Liston et al. (2020), presented a chromosome-scale *F. iinumae* genome assembly and extensive phylogenetic and comparative genomic evidence to support four distinct diploid progenitor species, which was consistent with the findings of Yang and Davis (2017) and Edger et al. (2019). We assert that the Feng et al. (2021) analysis was deeply flawed because they failed

to recognize: a) that the octoploid chromosomes are mosaics of DNA from four different diploid ancestors; b) that the ancestral diploid DNA fractions that have survived evolution are not equal; and c) that the chromosomes transmitted by the diploid ancestors are not intact in the octoploid. We provided evidence in the present study that DNA from other nonprogenitor diploid species can account for a majority of genes on the C and D chromosomes. Therefore, a chromosome-scale phylogenetic approach that assumes the closest living relatives of the C and D ancestors still comprise a majority of DNA on the extant C and D chromosomes is unlikely to identify their ancestral species. It has been approximately 1 million years since the formation of the octoploid, and an unknown period since the C and D ancestors merged (Edger et al. 2019). We recognize that *F. nipponica* and *F. viridis* might be distant relatives of the C and D diploids. The octoploid subgenomes are clearly not intact versions of those diploids. As the closest surrogates for the diploids comprising the remaining fraction of non-*F. vesca* and non-*F. iinumae* genes on the C and D subgenomes, they are currently the best available species for grouping the remaining chromosomes.

Whole-Genome Shotgun Sequencing Uncovered Millions of Subgenome Specific DNA Variants in Octoploid Strawberry

To develop insights into the effects of domestication on nucleotide diversity and population structure in cultivated strawberry, we whole-genome shotgun (WGS) sequenced

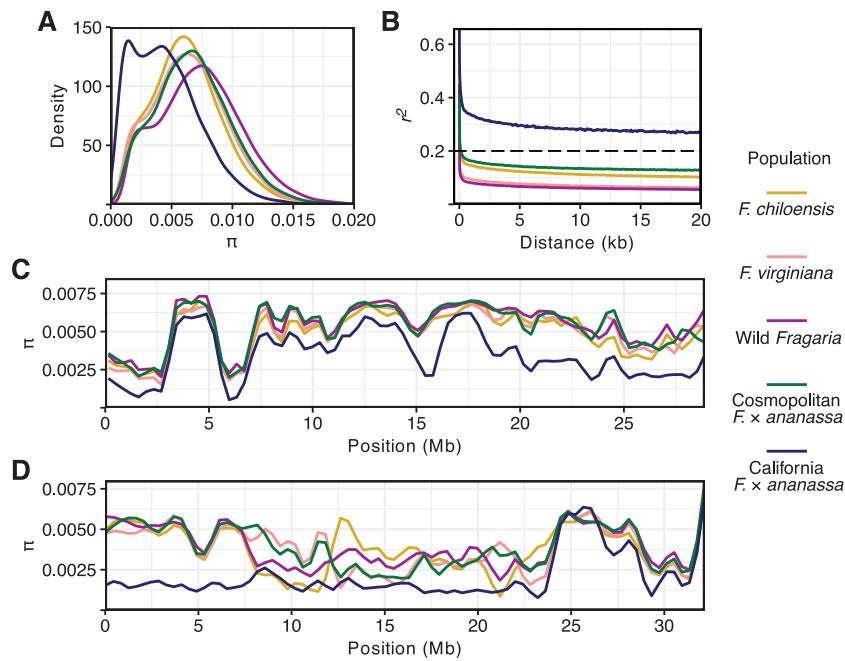


Fig. 2. Subgenome nucleotide diversity and linkage disequilibrium. Genome-wide nucleotide diversity (π) and linkage disequilibrium (r^2) statistics estimated from 41.8 M SNPs and INDELs. Statistics were estimated for the *F. chiloensis*, *F. virginiana*, California *Fragaria* \times *ananassa*, and cosmopolitan *Fragaria* \times *ananassa* populations, in addition to the combined *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* populations (wild *Fragaria*). (A) Density plot of π estimates for nonoverlapping 25 kb windows across the octoploid genome. (B) LD decay in the 0–20 kb range across the octoploid genome. The horizontal dashed line depicts the intercept used to report short-range LD decay ($r^2=0.2$). (C) π eEstimates for nonoverlapping 25 kb windows on chromosome 1B. (D) π eEstimates for nonoverlapping 25 kb windows on chromosome 7C.

the genomes of 99 *F. x ananassa*, 24 *F. chiloensis*, and 22 *F. virginiana* individuals (fig. 2; supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material online). These included 93 previously resequenced individuals (Hardigan et al. 2020) and 52 newly sequenced University of California, Davis (UCD) *F. x ananassa* individuals (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online). DNA sequences have been deposited in the NCBI Short Read Archive under BioProject PRJNA578384 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/>, last accessed December 1, 2020). The resequenced *F. x ananassa* individuals included historically important heirloom and modern cultivars and sampled allelic diversity across public germplasm collections and breeding programs worldwide. Their selection was informed by previous analyses of breeding history, genealogy, and population structure (Hardigan et al. 2018, 2020; Pincot et al. 2020). We split the global *F. x ananassa* population into “California” and “cosmopolitan” populations to study their unique demographic and breeding histories. The California population consisted solely of individuals developed in the UCD breeding program, which were historically important founders, advanced selections, and cultivars. The cosmopolitan population consisted of historically important cultivars and germplasm accessions developed in other public breeding programs worldwide (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online). The resequenced wild ecotypes sampled allelic diversity across the natural geographic ranges for seven of the eight subspecies of *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* (Staudt 1962, 1989, 1999, 2009), all of which are known to have contributed allelic diversity to the

F. x ananassa gene pool (Pincot et al. 2020). We found that 83.4% of short-read DNA sequences (150 bp paired-end or PE150 reads) uniquely aligned to the 0.81 Gbp “Camarosa” v1.0 genome, which was virtually identical to our previous estimate (Hardigan et al. 2020). Collectively, 41.8 M subgenome specific SNPs and INDELs were called and analyzed in the present study.

Wild Allelic Diversity Has Been Strongly Preserved in Domesticated Strawberry

Genetic diversity has not been significantly eroded by domestication in *F. x ananassa* (figs. 2 and 3; supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material online). We reached this conclusion by comparing shared and private allele frequencies, genome-wide estimates of nucleotide diversity, and heterozygosity in *F. chiloensis*, *F. virginiana*, and *F. x ananassa* populations. Genome-wide estimates of nucleotide diversity (π) were virtually identical for *F. chiloensis* ($\pi=0.0059$), *F. virginiana* ($\pi=0.0060$), and cosmopolitan *F. x ananassa* ($\pi=0.0059$) populations. The patterns and physical distributions of nucleotide diversity were similar in these populations on nearly every chromosome (fig. 2; table 2; supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material online). Nucleotide diversity was significantly lower in the California population ($\pi=0.0040$) than the other populations in our study. We attributed this to strong directional selection, breeding bottlenecks, and selective sweeps, which are explored in greater depth below (Chen, Patterson, and Reich 2010; Purugganan and Fuller 2011; Booker, Jackson, and Keightley 2017). The π estimate distribution was left-

Table 2. Nucleotide diversity (π) in the A, B, C, and D subgenomes of octoploid strawberry populations.

Subgenome	Population ^a	Chromosome							Mean
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
A	California	0.0043	0.0041	0.0042	0.0030	0.0032	0.0028	0.0015	0.0033
	Cosmopolitan	0.0051	0.0054	0.0053	0.0046	0.0042	0.0044	0.0026	0.0045
	<i>F. chiloensis</i>	0.0049	0.0051	0.0052	0.0044	0.0043	0.0042	0.0027	0.0044
	<i>F. virginiana</i>	0.0048	0.0051	0.0055	0.0047	0.0045	0.0045	0.0029	0.0046
	Mean	0.0048	0.0049	0.0050	0.0042	0.0041	0.0040	0.0024	0.0042
B	California	0.0033	0.0045	0.0055	0.0058	0.0058	0.0019	0.0040	0.0044
	Cosmopolitan	0.0054	0.0071	0.0077	0.0072	0.0076	0.0043	0.0063	0.0065
	<i>F. chiloensis</i>	0.0049	0.0068	0.0068	0.0070	0.0065	0.0050	0.0055	0.0061
	<i>F. virginiana</i>	0.0059	0.0081	0.0080	0.0074	0.0075	0.0060	0.0066	0.0071
	Mean	0.0048	0.0066	0.0070	0.0069	0.0068	0.0043	0.0056	0.0060
C	California	0.0032	0.0057	0.0049	0.0061	0.0056	0.0027	0.0018	0.0043
	Cosmopolitan	0.0062	0.0078	0.0075	0.0074	0.0071	0.0057	0.0037	0.0065
	<i>F. chiloensis</i>	0.0053	0.0065	0.0059	0.0066	0.0061	0.0053	0.0036	0.0056
	<i>F. virginiana</i>	0.0062	0.0078	0.0073	0.0077	0.0069	0.0060	0.0043	0.0066
	Mean	0.0052	0.0069	0.0064	0.0070	0.0064	0.0049	0.0034	0.0058
D	California	0.0038	0.0045	0.0046	0.0065	0.0042	0.0039	0.0038	0.0045
	Cosmopolitan	0.0059	0.0070	0.0067	0.0076	0.0065	0.0065	0.0055	0.0065
	<i>F. chiloensis</i>	0.0049	0.0063	0.0061	0.0063	0.0055	0.0061	0.0048	0.0057
	<i>F. virginiana</i>	0.0061	0.0074	0.0071	0.0080	0.0069	0.0072	0.0053	0.0069
	Mean	0.0052	0.0063	0.0061	0.0071	0.0058	0.0059	0.0048	0.0059

^aThe germplasm accessions included in each population are identified in [supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material](#) online.

skewed and bimodal in the California population, which starkly contrasted with the nearly overlapping distributions observed for the other populations (fig. 2). These differences among populations are illustrated for chromosomes 1B and 7C in fig. 2 and the other 27 chromosomes in [supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material](#) online. We attribute the secondary low-diversity peak in the π distribution for the California population to the effects of strong selective sweeps, as shown on the entire upper arm of chromosome 7C (fig. 2D; [supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material](#) online). Haplloblocks with decreased nucleotide diversity were found on at least 10 of the 28 chromosomes, many of which spanned entire or nearly entire chromosome arms (fig. 2; [supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material](#) online).

Nucleotide diversity was lowest in the A subgenome ($\pi = 0.0042$) and approximately 1.4-fold greater and virtually identical in the other three subgenomes ($\pi = 0.0058$ to 0.0060; table 2). This pattern was observed in both wild founder and domesticated populations, which suggests that the differences are unrelated to selection and other domestication forces. The less variable A subgenome was substantially derived from *F. vesca* (Edger et al. 2019), the transcriptionally dominant diploid ancestor (Edger et al. 2019). *F. vesca* is hypothesized to have fused with the genome of an unknown hexaploid ancestor and was the most recent diploid ancestor to merge with the other subgenomes in the octoploid nucleus (Edger et al. 2018a). This could explain the lower nucleotide diversity we found in the A subgenome (table 2). Another possibility is that purifying selection purged deleterious alleles from the A subgenome in the wild octoploid founders (Charlesworth, Morgan, and Charlesworth 1993; Cvijović, Good, and Desai 2018).

Strikingly, most of the ancestral alleles found in the phylogenetically and geographically diverse sample of *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* ecotypes have persisted through the

domestication of *F. × ananassa* (fig. 3). Using different minor allele frequency (MAF) thresholds, we discovered that private mutations were rare, for example, for MAF ≥ 0.05 , we found that *F. × ananassa* harbored 98% of common alleles from the wild octoploids. For MAF ≥ 0.00 , the percentage of total alleles (common and rare) retained in *F. × ananassa* was still 73% (fig. 3A, B). These shared-allele frequencies highlight the scarcity of private alleles and conservation of wild progenitor alleles in clonally preserved *F. × ananassa* individuals. We found that most *F. chiloensis* alleles exist in *F. virginiana*, a finding that is consistent with the hypothesized evolution of the octoploid species and subspecies (Dillenberger et al. 2018). Nucleotide diversity was only marginally greater in the combined wild population ($\pi = 0.0068$) relative to either species, supporting a high frequency of shared mutations among the wild progenitors.

The global population of cultivated *F. × ananassa* hybrids appears to have retained high levels of nucleotide diversity while harboring a majority of alleles, both common and rare, found in a geographically and phylogenetically diverse set of wild progenitor ecotypes. Thus, the broader *F. × ananassa* species complex does not appear to be strongly bottlenecked as a result of domestication.

Restructuring of Interspecific Heterozygosity from Early to Modern Hybrids

The earliest *F. × ananassa* hybrids originated from a single pair of *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* individuals (founders). Although these first hybrids were important to early breeding, genetic diversity in the global *F. × ananassa* population has been repeatedly expanded and reshaped through introgression of alleles from numerous *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* ecotypes (Darrow 1966; Hancock et al. 2001; Pincot et al. 2020). Pincot et al. (2020) identified 112 *F. chiloensis*, 65 *F. virginiana*, and 1,171 *F. × ananassa* founders in the

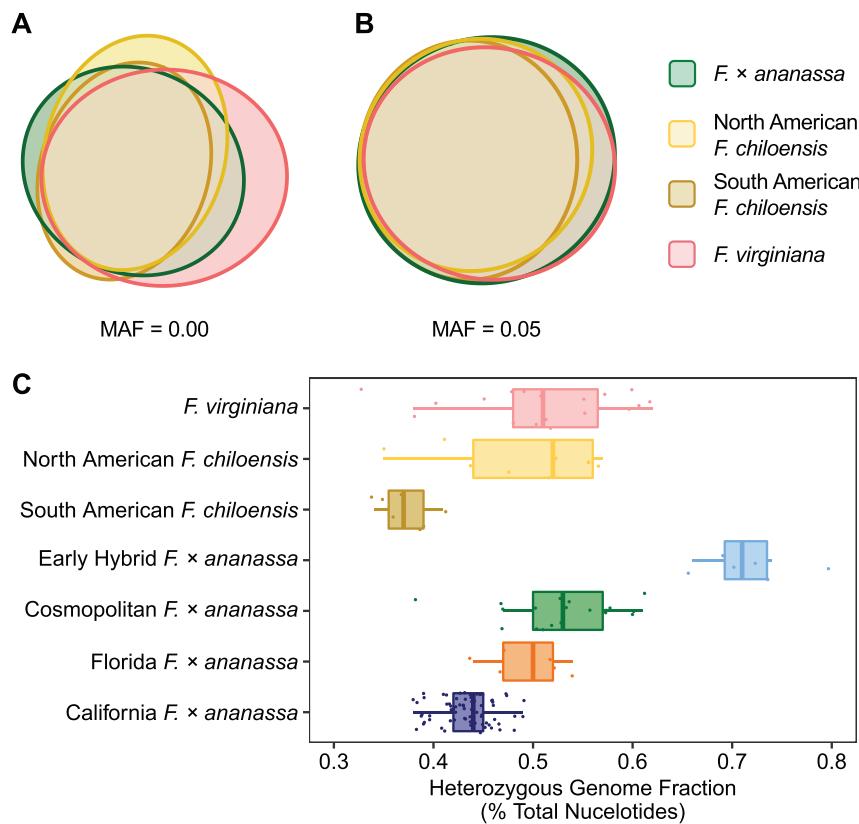


Fig. 3. Octoploid allele sharing and heterozygosity. (A, B) Euler diagrams depicting the distributions of shared and private alleles among South American *F. chiloensis*, North American *F. chiloensis*, *F. virginiana*, and *Fragaria × ananassa* individuals. Shared and private allele percentages and heterozygosities were estimated from 41.8 M SNPs and INDELs. (A) Euler diagram for a minor allele frequency (MAF) = 0.00, which depicts the overlap of both common and rare alleles. (B) Euler diagram for MAF = 0.05, which depicts the overlap of common alleles only for loci with MAF \leq 0.05. (C) Box-and-whisker plot distribution of heterozygosity ($H = v/n$) estimates for individuals in *F. chiloensis*, *F. virginiana*, and *Fragaria × ananassa* populations, where v , the number of heterozygous SNPs and INDELs observed in an individual and n , the number of nongap nucleotides in the octoploid genome. The boxes span 1.0 standard deviation, whereas the whiskers span 2.0 standard deviations. The median heterozygosity for each group is depicted by the heavy vertical bar within the box.

genealogy of cultivated strawberry, and postulated that the number of wild founders might be higher because the wild founders of the 1,171 *F. × ananassa* founders were unknown. While the genetic contributions of these founders were unequal and individually small (Pincot et al. 2020), they collectively introduced significant allelic diversity into the primary gene pool of cultivated strawberry (figs. 2–5; supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material online). Our nucleotide diversity and heterozygosity estimates show that both wild founders (*F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana*) and *F. × ananassa* harbor significant genetic diversity (figs. 2–5). We observed an average of one DNA variant every 140.9 bp among ‘early hybrids,’ 196.1 bp among *F. virginiana* ecotypes, and 227.3 bp among *F. chiloensis* ecotypes.

Despite the interspecific origin of *F. × ananassa*, significant increases in heterozygosity were only observed among ‘early’ hybrids (fig. 3C). Heterozygosities were greater for *F. virginiana* ($H = 0.51$) than *F. chiloensis* ($H = 0.44$; $p < 1e^{-5}$) and significantly greater for early hybrids ($H = 0.71$) than *F. virginiana* ($p < 1e^{-5}$) or *F. chiloensis* ($p < 1e^{-6}$), where H is the mean heterozygosity (H) of individuals in a population (fig. 3C). Heterozygosities were 1.4-fold or greater for early

hybrids than for wild ecotypes. The most heterozygous individual in our study was the early hybrid ‘White Carolina’ ($H = 0.80$). Heterozygosity in the cosmopolitan *F. × ananassa* population ($H = 0.52$) was similar to that of *F. virginiana* ($H = 0.51$), while individuals in the commercially improved Florida ($H = 0.49$) and California ($H = 0.43$) populations were least heterozygous.

Concurrent with the reduction of interspecific heterozygosity, the genomic distribution of heterozygosity has been dramatically altered through breeding (Hardigan et al. 2020). Genetic mapping studies in several full-sib and S_1 mapping populations have shown that DNA variation is limited in several chromosome regions in modern cultivars (Sargent et al. 2016; Pincot et al. 2018; Hardigan et al. 2020). Our analyses uncovered several haploblocks with reduced nucleotide diversity, some of which spanned entire chromosome arms (fig. 2; supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material online). Genetic and physical mapping of the *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* genomes and genome-wide analyses of DNA variation have shown that the genomes of the wild octoploid founders of *F. × ananassa* harbor massive diversity, for example, 1.9 M biallelic DNA variants were identified in the

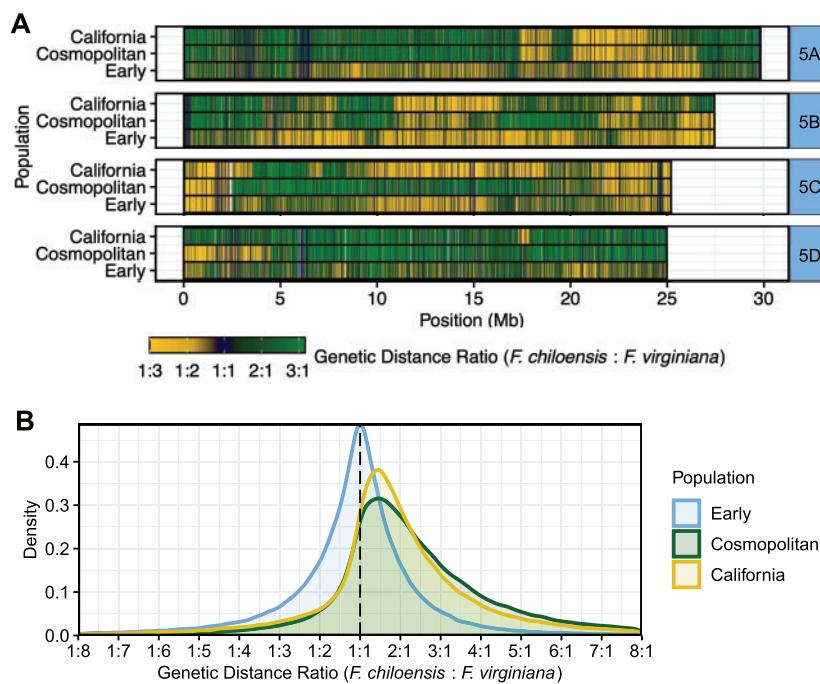


Fig. 4. Genomic distribution of wild founder alleles in cultivated strawberry populations. (A) Heatmap displaying the relative contributions (dosages) of allelic diversity from wild octoploid progenitor species on chromosome 5 homoeologs in early hybrid, cosmopolitan, and California *Fragaria* × *ananassa* populations. Dosages were estimated from genetic distance ratios (G_{Fc}/G_{Fv}) in nonoverlapping 10 kb windows, where G_{Fc} is the genetic distance between *Fragaria* × *ananassa* and *F. chiloensis* and G_{Fv} is the genetic distance between *Fragaria* × *ananassa* and *F. virginiana*. (B) Kernel density plot displaying the distribution of G_{Fc}/G_{Fv} ratios (allele dosages) estimated in nonoverlapping 10 kb windows across the octoploid genome in early hybrid, cosmopolitan, and California *Fragaria* × *ananassa* populations.

genome of a single *F. chiloensis* subsp. *lucida* individual (Del Norte; PI 551449; $H = 0.56$, compared to 1.6 M biallelic DNA variants in the genome of the *F. × ananassa* cultivar "Camarosa" (Hardigan et al. 2020). Heterozygous DNA variants were evenly distributed across the "Del Norte" genome, whereas heterozygous DNA variants were concentrated in 60% of the "Camarosa" genome. As we show below, these "genetic diversity deserts" are likely associated with selective sweeps (Chen et al. 2010; Schrider et al. 2016; Booker et al. 2017; Gaut et al. 2018).

Species-preferential selection appears to have played an important role in the loss of interspecific heterozygosity from early to modern hybrids. We estimated the balance of wild founder allele dosage across the octoploid genome for early hybrid, cosmopolitan, and California *F. × ananassa* populations (fig. 4; supplementary fig. S2, Supplementary Material online). Because private *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* alleles were scarce, ancestral allele dosages in *F. × ananassa* were estimated by the relative genetic distance of *F. × ananassa* to both wild progenitor species from DNA variants in nonoverlapping 10 kb windows. This revealed that large, contiguous chromosome segments in the *F. × ananassa* genome have undergone preferential selection for *F. chiloensis* or *F. virginiana* haplotypes (fig. 4A). As expected, the genomes of early hybrids harbored a relatively balanced distribution of *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* diversity. By contrast, founder allele dosages were skewed towards *F. virginiana* in the genomes of individuals in cosmopolitan and California

F. × ananassa populations (fig. 4B), which suggest that the genomic contribution from *F. virginiana* has been greater than that from *F. chiloensis* in domesticated hybrids. Several chromosomes (e.g., 2B and 4D) were almost entirely derived from *F. virginiana* in these populations (supplementary fig. S2, Supplementary Material online).

We uncovered several important gene functions that were over-represented in regions of species-preferential selection. We identified 4,289 genes in regions with five-fold *F. chiloensis* dosage bias and 5,425 genes in regions with five-fold *F. virginiana* dosage bias in both the cosmopolitan and California populations, and identified enriched Gene Ontology (GO) terms and protein (PFAM) domains relative to admixed genome regions (supplementary file S5, Supplementary Material online). *F. chiloensis* genes were enriched for functions related to photosynthetic light harvesting (GO: 0009765) and chlorophyll A/B binding (PF00504), as well as cell cycle functions including regulation of mitotic spindle organization (GO: 0060236), spindle assembly (GO: 0051225), microtubules (GO: 0005874), and cell cycle regulated microtubule-associated protein domains (PF12214). *F. virginiana* genes were enriched for self-pollen recognition (GO: 0048544) and S-locus glycoprotein domains (PF00954), critical functions for domestication due to the role of self-fertility in uniform fruit development. The total set of species-specific genes was enriched for transcription regulatory functions, including DNA-templated regulation of transcription (GO: 0006355), DNA-binding transcription factor activity

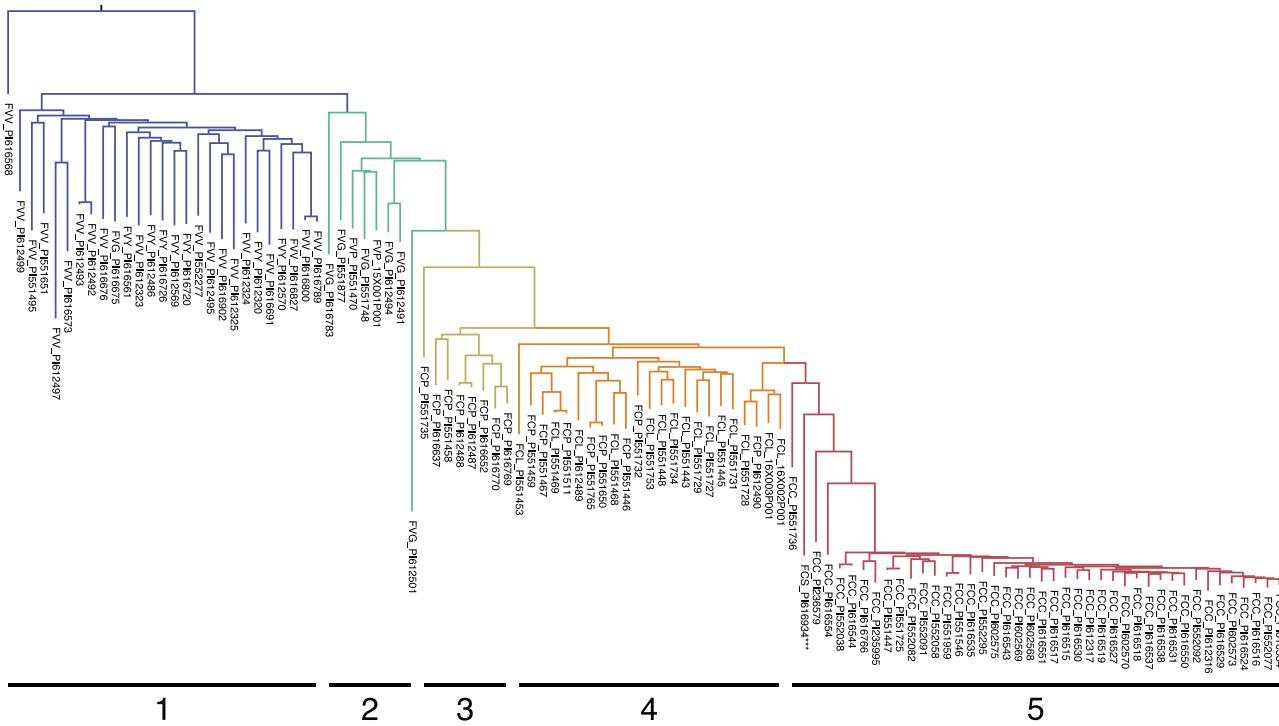


FIG. 5. Cladogram for wild octoploid taxa. Genetic distances were estimated among 108 wild ecotypes from 1,905 array-genotyped SNP markers. Taxa are identified by three letter prefixes: *F. virginiana* subsp. *glaucia* (FVG), *F. virginiana* subsp. *grayana* (FVY), *F. virginiana* subsp. *platypetala* (FVP), *F. virginiana* subsp. *virginiana* (FVV), *F. chiloensis* subsp. *chiloensis* (FCC), *F. chiloensis* subsp. *lucida* (FCL), *F. chiloensis* subsp. *pacifica* (FCP), and *F. virginiana* subsp. *sandwichensis* (FCS). Group 1 clades are comprised primarily of *F. virginiana* subspecific ecotypes originating east of the Continental Divide in North America (FVV, FVY). Group 2 clades are comprised of *F. virginiana* subspecific ecotypes originating in western North America (FVG, FVP). Group 3 clades are comprised of FCP ecotypes originating along the Pacific Coast of North America. Group 4 clades are comprised primarily of FCL ecotypes originating along the Pacific Coast of North America. Group 5 clades are comprised of South American FCC ecotypes, in addition to a Hawaiian FCS ecotype.

(GO: 0003700), transcriptional repressor complex (GO: 0017053), methylation (GO: 0032259), and transcription coregulator activity (GO: 0003712). The reduced heterozygosity of modern hybrids, broad genomic regions of species-preferential selection (fig. 4; [supplementary fig. S2, Supplementary Material online](#)), and increased likelihood of species-preferential selection for several important gene functions, particularly transcription regulation, all support a hypothesis that *F. × ananassa* domestication relied on selection and fixation of beneficial alleles from an expanded pool of diversity, not by simply maximizing interspecific heterozygosity across the genome (Comai 2005).

Linkage Disequilibrium Rapidly Decayed in Octoploid Populations

Linkage disequilibrium (LD) rapidly decayed in the octoploid strawberry. Consistent with the evolutionary and domestication history of the populations under study, LD decayed more rapidly in the progenitors (*F. virginiana* and *F. chiloensis*) than *F. × ananassa* (fig. 2). Short-range LD ($r^2 \approx 0.20$) decayed at a mean distance of 20 bp in *F. virginiana*, 75 bp in *F. chiloensis*, and 120 bp in cosmopolitan *F. × ananassa*, similar to other outcrossing plant species (Tenallon et al. 2001). Short-range LD decayed at 400 kb in California *F. × ananassa*, reflecting the prevalence of common haploblocks and identity-by-descent within the bottlenecked California population relative to the cosmopolitan population. We attributed these LD differences

to breeding bottlenecks and directional selection as opposed to differences in recombination (Hartl et al. 1997; Nordborg and Tavaré 2002; Gaut and Long 2003; Hardigan et al. 2020). LD in the genomes of wild octoploid taxa was correlated with phylogenetic divergence time and nucleotide diversity (fig. 2; Dillenberger et al. (2018)). Dillenberger et al. (2018) estimated that monophyletic *F. chiloensis* evolved more recently (0.07–0.30 Ma) than paraphyletic *F. virginiana* (0.30–1.18 Ma) — the divergence time reported for *F. virginiana* was for the earliest branch in the phylogeny (Dillenberger et al. 2018). Genome-wide estimates of nucleotide diversity were similar for *F. chiloensis* ($\pi = 0.0059$) and *F. virginiana* ($\pi = 0.0060$) but lower for South American *F. chiloensis* ($\pi = 0.0033$) than North American *F. chiloensis* ($\pi = 0.0056$). These trends were consistent with theoretical expectations. South American *F. chiloensis*, which appears to have been introduced from North America, harbored fewer mutations than North American *F. chiloensis* (fig. 5).

We observed that the closest relationships between octoploid species occurred between western North American *F. virginiana* subsp. *glauca* and *platypetala* (fig. 5; Clade 2) and North American *F. chiloensis* subsp. *pacifica* (fig. 5; Clade 3). Natural hybrids between the species have been documented in the Pacific Northwest of North America where their ranges overlap (Hancock and Bringhurst 1979; Staudt 1999). South American *F. chiloensis* subsp. *chiloensis* (fig. 5; Clade 5)

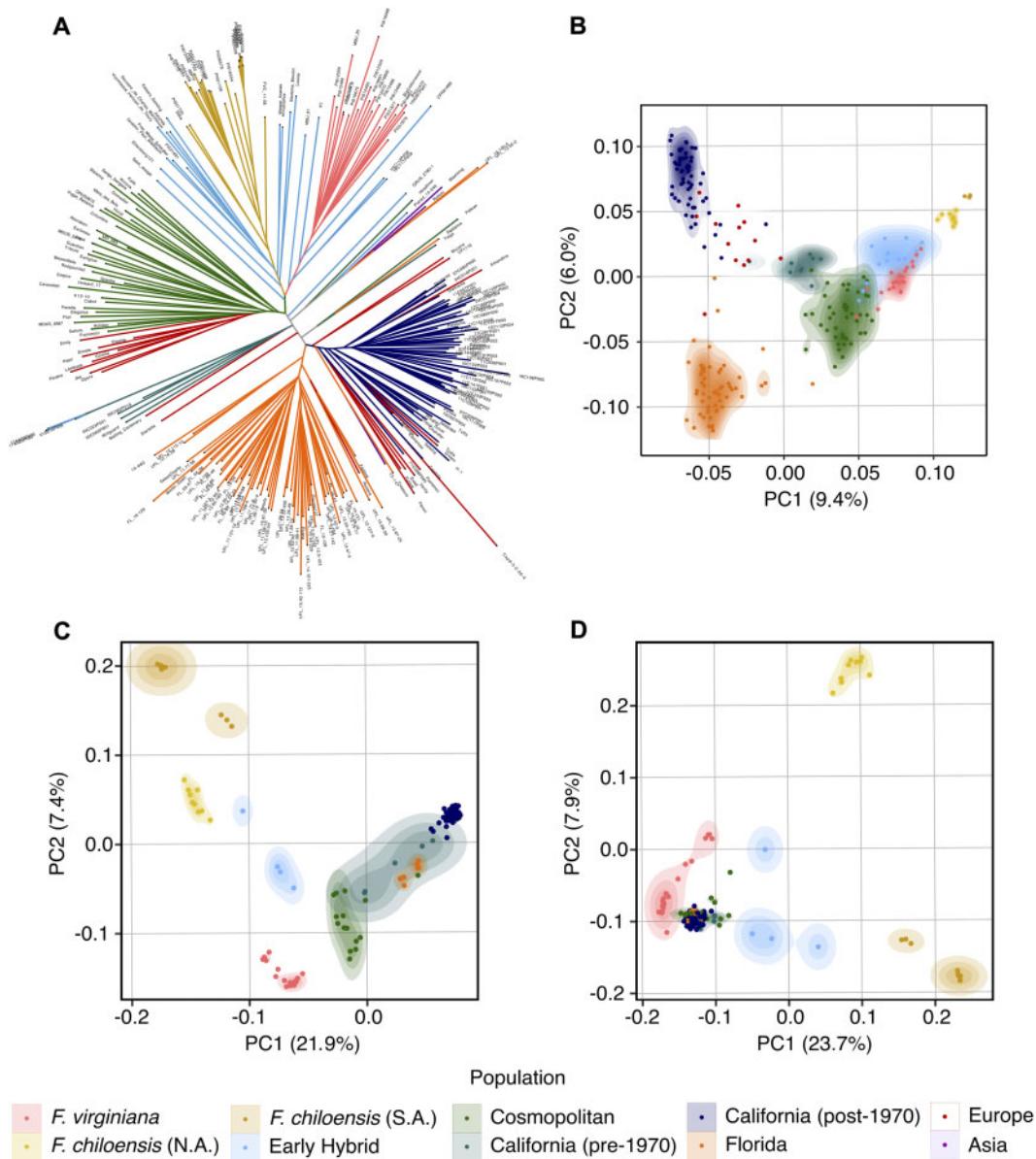


Fig. 6. Patterns of genetic diversity in wild and domesticated strawberry populations. (A) Maximum-likelihood phylogenetic tree of 259 octoploid individuals based on the 850 K SNP array G matrix. (B) Principal component analysis of 259 octoploid individuals based on the 850 K SNP array G matrix. (C) Principal component analysis of 145 octoploid individuals based on 41.8 M SNP and INDEL variants. (D) Principal component analysis of 46 wild octoploid individuals based on 41.8 M SNP and INDEL variants, with *Fragaria × ananassa* individuals projected onto wild-estimated PC axis.

was most closely related to North American clades containing a higher frequency of *F. chiloensis* subsp. *lucida* ecotypes (fig. 5; Clade 4). The sole *F. chiloensis* subsp. *sandwichensis* ecotype from Hawaii (PI616934) grouped roughly between the North and South American *F. chiloensis* clades. We used the software TreeMix (Pickrell and Pritchard 2012) to predict putative gene migrations between wild octoploid subspecies (supplementary fig. S3, Supplementary Material online) and found the strongest support for migration between western North American *F. virginiana* subspecies and North American *F. chiloensis* subspecies, which was consistent with the hypothesized evolutionary history of these taxa (Dillenberger et al. 2018).

Domestication of South American Beach Strawberry
 Hancock et al. (1999) and Finn et al. (2013) described the history of domestication of South American beach strawberry (*F. chiloensis* subsp. *chiloensis*). They reported that two native Chilean peoples, the Picunche and Mapuche, cultivated landraces as early as 1,000 years before present, and that landraces produced larger fruit than native wildtypes. We analyzed *F. chiloensis* subsp. *chiloensis* ecotypes across the entire geographic range in South America, which included individuals classified as landraces or cultivars in the USDA National Plant Germplasm System (<https://www.ars-grin.gov/>, last accessed December 1, 2020): PI551736 (Peruvian Ambato), PI616554 (Futalefu), and PI236579 (Darrow 72). Wild *F. chiloensis* subsp. *chiloensis* individuals formed a single clade (fig. 5) and WGS-

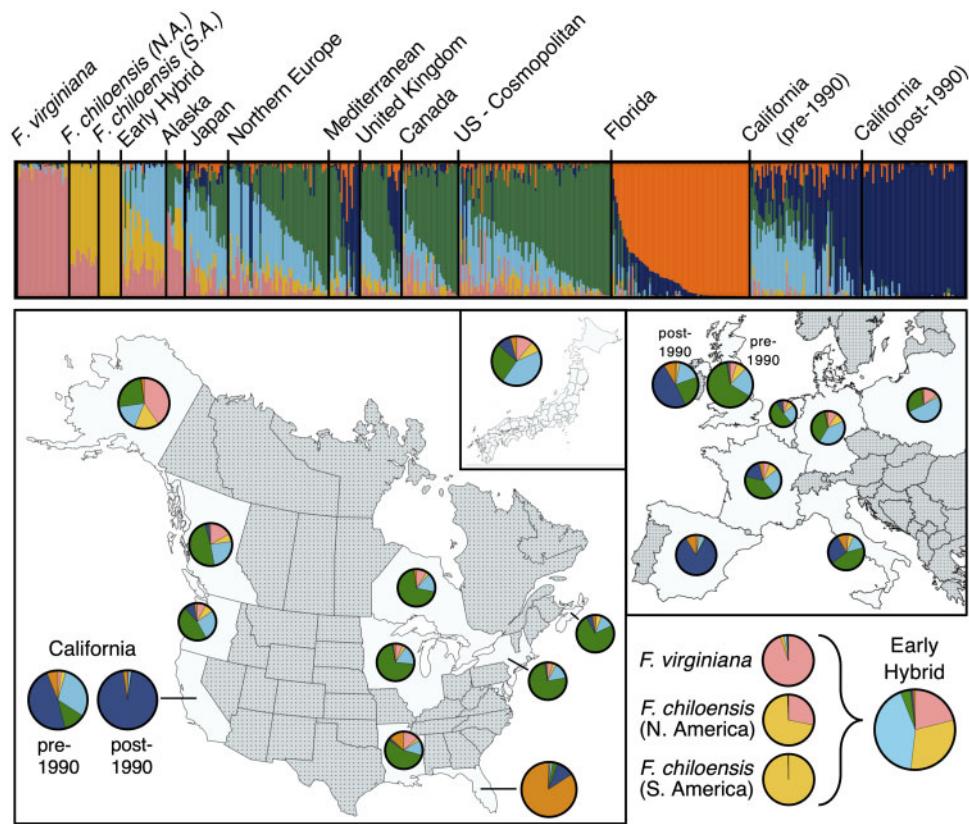


FIG. 7. Genetic structure of strawberry populations. Genetic structure shown was estimated for $K=6$ populations among 1,637 wild and domesticated octoploid individuals genotyped with 50 K or 850 K SNP arrays (genotypes for SNP markers common to both arrays were analyzed). The upper panel displays admixture proportions for populations grouped by geographic origin with *Fragaria × ananassa* individuals within each geographic group ordered by year of origin. The lower panels display $K=6$ admixture proportions for populations originating in different states or countries.

based PCA cluster (fig. 6C, D), while “Ambato,” “Futaleufu,” and “Darrow 72” were genetically distinct from the wild individuals. It was not clear that this resulted from population bottlenecks or directional selection; the cultivated individuals were located at the edge of the South American *F. chiloensis* clade, and their branch lengths (genetic distances) relative to other South American ecotypes supported past hybridization (fig. 5). PCA clusters generated from WGS variant calling placed cultivated beach strawberry individuals between wild *F. chiloensis* subsp. *chiloensis* and early hybrid *F. × ananassa* (fig. 6C, D). We suspect that “Peruvian Ambato,” “Futaleufu,” and “Darrow 72” are not true *F. chiloensis* subsp. *chiloensis* cultigens, but descend from cryptic hybrids arising in South America between native *F. chiloensis* subsp. *chiloensis* and imported *F. × ananassa*.

Genetic Structure of Octoploid Strawberry Populations

The complex pedigree networks underlying demographically and geographically unique populations of cultivated strawberry obscure their genetic structure, the result of a domestication history involving frequent and repeated admixture (Pincot et al. 2020). To resolve their hidden genetic structure, we applied cluster and principal component analyses to SNP genotype matrices

(G) estimated from DNA variants called by WGS sequence alignment, or using 50 K (supplementary file S3, Supplementary Material online) and 850 K (supplementary file S4, Supplementary Material online) SNP arrays (Hardigan et al. 2020). Collectively, 1,569 individuals were genotyped with the 50 K SNP array, and 259 individuals were genotyped with the 850 K SNP array (Hardigan et al. 2020). These individuals included phylogenetically and demographically diverse *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* ecotypes, early hybrids, and historically important heirloom and modern cultivars preserved by the USDA, UCD, and University of Florida (UF) germplasm collections (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online). We identified 41,932 polymorphic markers with the 50 K array and 446,644 polymorphic markers with the 850 K array. SNP genotypes for 41,932 codominant markers common to both arrays were combined and LD-pruned ($r^2 \leq 0.70$) for a global analysis of octoploid strawberry population structure (fig. 7).

Several insights emerged from these analyses. First, South American *F. chiloensis*, North American *F. chiloensis*, and *F. virginiana* populations formed distinct clusters correlated with demography and phylogeny (fig. 6). Second, early hybrids were roughly equidistant to North American *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* clusters in the analysis of WGS-based DNA

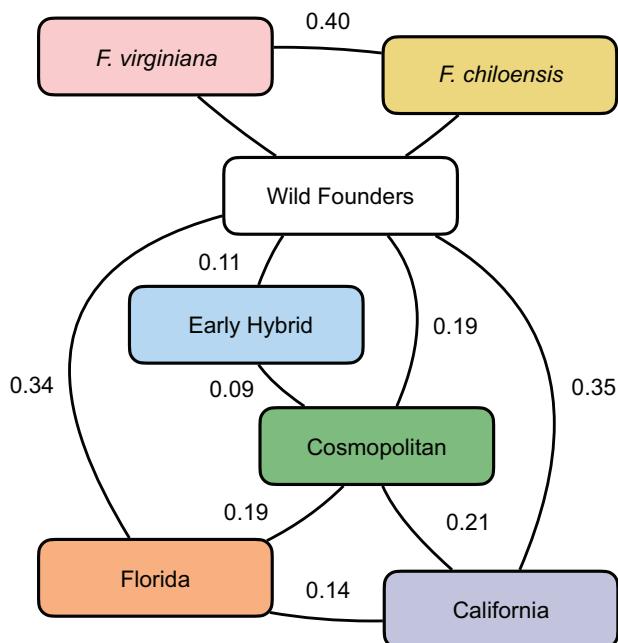


Fig. 8. Octoploid strawberry population divergence. Two-population F_{ST} statistics estimating genetic divergence between wild, early hybrid *Fragaria × ananassa*, cosmopolitan *Fragaria × ananassa*, and the modern California and Florida *Fragaria × ananassa* populations. F_{ST} statistics were estimated using 259 octoploid individuals and 446,644 SNPs genotyped with the 850 K SNP array.

variants (fig. 6C, D), which lacked wild ascertainment bias. The early hybrids were furthest from the South American *F. chiloensis* cluster and closest to the *F. virginiana* cluster. Although the earliest *F. × ananassa* cultivars were interspecific hybrids between South American *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana*, North American alleles, many of which appear to be shared across native founder species (fig. 7), are more common than South American *F. chiloensis* alleles in the genetic background of *F. × ananassa* (fig. 6B–D).

Third, when the PCA coordinates for *F. × ananassa* individuals from across the globe were predicted using variable loadings from the wild octoploid taxa (projection of domesticated individuals onto wild PC axis), they formed a tight undifferentiated cluster equidistantly positioned between *F. virginiana* and early hybrids (fig. 6D). This supported our finding that *F. × ananassa* individuals harbor an excess of *F. virginiana* alleles, whereas early hybrids harbor an equal balance of *F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana* alleles (fig. 4). The excess of *F. virginiana* alleles undoubtedly stems from a combination of migration and selection. The California and cosmopolitan populations both displayed a bias towards *F. virginiana*, which could plausibly be explained by an increase in *F. virginiana* allele dosage, in addition to directional selection for favorable *F. virginiana* alleles and selectively swept neutral loci (fig. 4; Chen, Patterson, and Reich 2010). Although the number of *F. chiloensis* founders ($n = 112$) in the genealogy of cultivated strawberry was estimated to be two-fold greater than the number of *F. virginiana* founders ($n = 65$), the latter were estimated to have made larger genetic contributions (Pincot et al. 2020).

Fourth, the California and Florida populations formed distinct clusters highlighting their unique breeding histories and strong differentiation from the “cosmopolitan” population (fig. 6A, B). The California and Florida populations exhibited the greatest differentiation from wild ecotypes, which we attributed to directional selection and adaptation to their unique Mediterranean and subtropical environments (fig. 7; supplementary fig. S3, Supplementary Material online). Two-population F_{ST} estimates supported strong genetic restructuring within modern breeding populations. The California and Florida populations were both as divergent from cosmopolitan *F. × ananassa* as cosmopolitan *F. × ananassa* was from the wild founders (fig. 8). Population structure analysis with an admixture model supported this restructuring and predicted six octoploid subpopulations: one each for *F. virginiana* and *F. chiloensis*, and four for *F. × ananassa*, the latter roughly corresponding to the early hybrid, cosmopolitan, California, and Florida hybrids (fig. 7; supplementary fig. S3, Supplementary Material online). Outside of the California and Florida populations, we observed no clear population structure distinguishing *F. × ananassa* cultivars based on global geographic origin, that is, other North American, European, and Asian (mainly Japanese) cultivars were not sufficiently distinct to predict new continental subpopulations. We attributed this to global migrations and admixture that has characterized *F. × ananassa* breeding, such as the recent migration of California alleles into European hybrids (fig. 7; Pincot et al. 2020). Repeated introgression of wild ecotypes and migration of germplasm between breeding populations over the last three centuries were important determinants of *F. × ananassa* diversity and population structure, contributing to an admixed global population (Pincot et al. 2020). Accordingly, we observed no significant evidence of population structuring among North American, European, and Asian cultivars. Instead, population structure and genetic differentiation from wild ecotypes were strongest within the California and Florida populations, where intense directional selection under niche environments has produced important commercial cultivars, and where loss of diversity has been most significant.

We validated the use of all available SNPs for analyzing population admixture by repeating the STRUCTURE analysis ($K = 6$) in a representative subset of individuals ($n = 140$) using total genomic SNPs subject to strict LD-pruning ($r^2 \leq 0.5$; $n = 8,585$), and neutral SNP sites subject to strict LD-pruning ($r^2 \leq 0.5$; $n = 451$). Despite relatively few remaining neutral sites, population admixture proportions predicted from total SNPs and neutral SNPs were nearly identical (supplementary fig. S4, Supplementary Material online). For each analysis, we generated pairwise matrices containing the admixture residual correlations between individuals using software evalAdmix (Garcia-Erill and Albrechtsen 2020) (supplementary fig. S4, Supplementary Material online). The uncorrected total SNP and neutral SNP matrices were highly similar ($r^2 = 0.96$). The negligible bias when estimating population structure from total SNPs can be attributed to LD-pruning, and a low rate of coding sites on the octoploid SNP arrays; 72% of array SNPs were located in nonexonic regions.

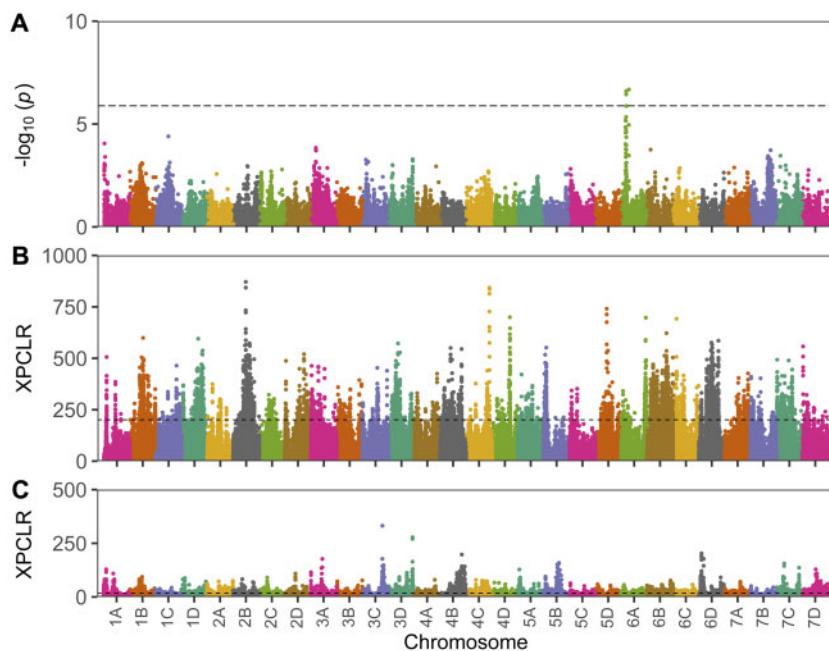


Fig. 9. Genome-wide association study and selective sweeps. (A) Genome-wide association study (GWAS) for fruit firmness (g/cm^2) measured with a handheld penetrometer in a population of 466 wild and domesticated individuals. The horizontal dashed line delineates a Bonferroni-corrected $P = 0.05$ significance threshold. (B,C) Cross-population composite likelihood ratio (XP-CLR) statistics for DNA variants (loci) distributed across the octoploid strawberry genome. The dashed line identifies the upper 0.01 quantile of XP-CLR estimates. (B) XP-CLR statistics were estimated for the “early” phase of domestication by comparing DNA variants between wild ecotypes and both early hybrids and heirloom cultivars. (C) XP-CLR statistics were estimated for the “modern” phase of domestication by comparing DNA variants between modern cultivars and both early and heirloom cultivars.

These results also demonstrated that kinship and admixture can be accurately predicted in octoploid strawberry with fewer than 500 disomic markers.

The maximum-likelihood tree generated by analysis of the 850 K SNP array G matrix produced a clear picture of strawberry breeding history (fig. 6A). Early hybrids grouped closely to the wild octoploid founders. These “early” hybrids included several iconic heirloom cultivars in the genetic background of cultivated strawberry (Pincot et al. 2020), for example, “Vicomtesse Hericart de Thury,” “Jucunda,” “Ettersburg 121,” and “Madame Moutot” (light blue clades in fig. 6A). The cosmopolitan clade, closest to early hybrids, included several well-known and iconic cultivars, for example, “Senga Sengana,” “Howard 17,” “Earliglow,” “Mara des Bois,” “Hood,” and “Holiday.” Finally, the modern California population (post-1970) was found to have undergone the greatest differentiation and reduction in nucleotide diversity (figs. 2–6).

Selective Sweeps Associated with Strawberry Domestication

We observed a progressive decline in nucleotide diversity from the wild founders to early hybrids to heirloom cultivars to modern cultivars (figs. 2 and 3; supplementary fig. S3, Supplementary Material online). Hybrids between the wild octoploid founders were significantly more heterozygous than either parent; however, the initial increase in heterozygosity progressively decreased over the course of domestication. The estimated loss of genetic diversity was 11.3% in early

and 37.0% in modern phases of domestication (fig. 9; table 3). We hypothesized that these decreases were primarily caused by directional selection and breeding bottlenecks. To explore this further, we scanned the genome for the presence of selective sweeps in early and modern phases of domestication using cross-population composite likelihood ratio (XP-CLR) analysis (Chen, Patterson, and Reich 2010; Hufford et al. 2012). We split individuals into wild founder, heirloom cultivar, and modern (post-1970) California cultivar groups and estimated XP-CLR statistics for the wild founder to heirloom cultivar (early phase) transition and heirloom to modern cultivar (modern phase) transition. We identified 4,064 selectively swept loci in the early phase of domestication (approximately 6.5% of the genome) and 5,248 selectively swept loci in the modern phase of domestication (approximately 6.0% of the genome) with negligible overlap between the two (table 3; fig. 10). The distribution of selectively swept loci mirrored population-specific differences in nucleotide diversity (figs. 2 and 10; supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material online; table 3).

The genome fractions that harbored selective sweeps in strawberry were comparable to those reported in maize (5%) and sunflower (*Helianthus annuus*) (7%) (Vigouroux et al. 2005; Chapman et al. 2008; Hufford et al. 2012). The selection coefficients (s) estimated for strawberry were, however, 10-fold smaller than those reported for maize and wheat, species with 10,000-year domestication histories (Purugganan and Fuller 2011; Hufford et al. 2012). The strength of selection

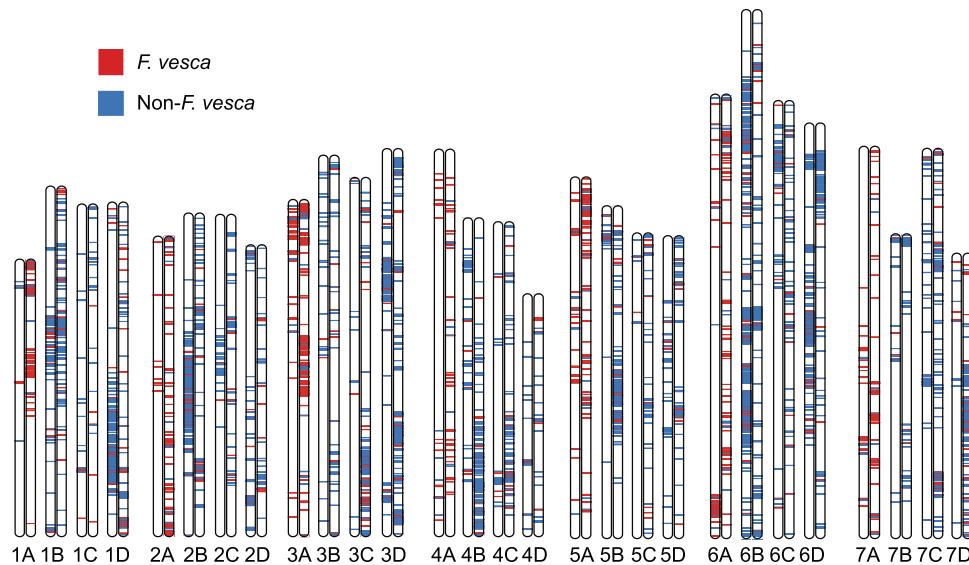


Fig. 10. Physical locations of selectively swept loci in the octoploid genome. The physical locations of selectively swept loci are shown in the *Fragaria × ananassa* "Camarosa" v1.0 genome (Edger et al. 2019) for the early phase of domestication (left-hand chromosome in each pair) and modern phase of domestication (right-hand chromosome in each pair). Loci homologous to *F. vesca* are shown in red. Loci homologous to other diploid ancestors are shown in blue. Chromosomes and locus positions were visualized using the R package RIdedogram (Hao et al. 2020).

was 2.5-fold greater in the early ($s = 0.001$) than the modern ($s = 0.0004$) phase of domestication. Because of the incredibly short domestication history (<300 years), highly admixed nature of *F. × ananassa* lineages, and frequent infusion of allelic diversity from wild founders (migration), standing genetic variation should be a more important determinant of the strength of selection in strawberry than *de novo* mutations (Hermisson and Pennings 2005). Our results were consistent with this hypothesis.

Selective sweeps were observed on several chromosomes in each subgenome but were unequally distributed among the four subgenomes in both the early and modern phases of domestication (fig. 9; table 3, supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material online). The proportions of selectively swept loci within each subgenome, ordered from highest to lowest, were B > D > A > C in the early phase and A > B > D > C in the modern phase (fig. 9; table 3; supplementary fig. S1, Supplementary Material online). While the C subgenome harbored the smallest number of loci under selection, loci in each ancestral subgenome were targeted by selection (fig. 9; table 3). The A subgenome harbored roughly 23.6% of selectively swept loci in the early and 35.9% in the modern phase of domestication (table 3). Collectively, 73.4% and 59.2% of the selectively swept loci were found in the B, C, and D subgenomes in the early and modern phases of domestication, respectively. These results highlight the importance of allelic diversity tracing to both the dominant and nondominant diploid ancestors (Edger et al. 2019).

Unlike extensively investigated species with domestication histories spanning millennia, for example, tomato (*Solanum lycopersicum*), rice (*Oryza sativa*), maize, and wheat (Doebley 2004; Doebley, Gaut, and Smith 2006; Kovach, Sweeney, and McCouch 2007; Purugganan and Fuller 2009; Gross and Olsen 2010; Chia et al. 2012; Hufford et al. 2012), genes underlying strawberry domestication are largely

unknown. To develop insights into the putative functions of genes targeted by selection, their functional categories were identified by GO term enrichment analysis (supplementary file S5, Supplementary Material online). We found that genes targeted by selection were more likely to affect fruit development, cell wall metabolism, the regulation of gene expression, and the regulation and coordination of hormone signaling pathways, including auxin, abscisic acid, and gibberellin acid pathways. The latter have been shown to regulate expansion and ripening in nonclimacteric fruit (Jia et al. 2011; Kang et al. 2013). Selection appears to have targeted genes encoding cell-wall-degrading enzymes known to affect fruit firmness and shelf life, for example, pectin lyases and polygalacturonases (Castillejo et al. 2004; Goulao and Oliveira 2008), in addition to genes encoding expansins and xyloglucan endotransglucosylases, which have been shown to affect fruit ripening and softening and other aspects of plant development (Marowa, Ding, and Kong 2016). Although many candidate genes within selective sweeps could have been targeted by selection, forward genetic studies have not yet uncovered genotype-to-phenotype associations for "domestication loci" (Purugganan and Fuller 2009).

We performed GWAS for two domestication traits, fruit firmness and fruit size, using a diverse set of octoploid individuals ($n = 466$). Narrow-sense genomic heritability estimates were 0.36 for fruit firmness and 0.55 for fruit size in the GWAS population. Statistically significant signals were not observed for fruit size (data not shown); however, we observed a significant signal for fruit firmness on chromosome 6A that overlapped with early-phase domestication sweeps (fig. 9). The most significant SNP associations ($P \leq 0.001$) on 6A were observed from Mb 5.89–7.22. This chromosome segment was found to harbor a cluster of three polygalacturonase-encoding genes (FxaC_6-1g13880, FxaC_6-1g13900, and FxaC_6-1g13910) in a selective sweep spanning

Table 3. Selective sweeps in the A, B, C, and D subgenomes of cultivated strawberry in early and modern phases of domestication.

Subgenome ^a	Early-phase loci ^b		Modern-phase loci ^c	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A	1,034	23.6	1,998	35.9
B	1,673	38.2	1,280	23.0
C	361	8.3	900	16.2
D	1,175	26.9	1,112	20.0
Unknown	134	3.1	271	4.9

^aA, B, C, and D identify the subgenomes of *F. × ananassa*, which are admixed derivatives of the genomes of four diploid ancestors (see text and Edger et al. 2019).

^bCross-population composite likelihood ratio (XP-CLR) statistics were estimated for loci in the early domestication phase by comparing DNA variants in wild octoploid founders (*F. chiloensis* and *F. virginiana*) to DNA variants in heirloom cultivars of *F. × ananassa*. The numbers and percentages of selected loci within each subgenome were estimated using an upper 1% cutoff in the XP-CLR distribution.

^cXP-CLR statistics were estimated for loci in the modern domestication phase by comparing heirloom to modern California cultivars.

Mb 7.046–7.064. The enzymes encoded by this gene family are known to affect fruit firmness in apple (*Malus domestica*) and tomato (Kramer et al. 1992; Atkinson et al. 2012). Moreover, transgenic silencing of polygalacturonase genes in developing strawberry fruit has been shown to increase fruit firmness (Santiago-Doménech et al. 2008; Villarreal et al. 2008; Posé et al. 2015). The candidate polygalacturonase locus identified here could harbor causative mutations targeted by selection and thus represent an important “domestication” trait locus (fig. 9). Apart from this locus, which warrants further study, insights into other functionally important loci underlying the “domestication syndrome” of strawberry are limited. With the infrastructure in place to apply genome-informed approaches in octoploid populations, the opportunity exists to rapidly expand the catalog of loci and mutations associated with horticulturally important phenotypic diversity in strawberry (Doebley, Gaut, and Smith 2006; Purugganan and Fuller 2009).

Concluding Remarks

The present study was one of three companion studies we undertook to develop an in-depth understanding of DNA variation in the octoploid species, unravel the demographic, domestication, and breeding history of cultivated strawberry, and develop an understanding of the feasibility of bioinformatically resolving subgenome-specific DNA variation across the octoploid genome (Hardigan et al. 2020; Pincot et al. 2020). Among the most astonishing discoveries to emerge from these studies were the simplicity and completeness with which homoeologous DNA variants could be resolved and genetically and physically mapped in the octoploid genome using short-read DNA sequences, the presence of massive allelic diversity in wild founder and domesticated populations, and the preservation of significant genetic variation in domesticated populations, even those that have been strongly selected and bottlenecked (figs. 3–7). While diploid models have a logical place in biological studies (Gaston et al. 2020), our findings and many others highlight the feasibility and simplicity with which genetic and genomic approaches can be applied in allo-octoploid populations to discover genotype-to-phenotype associations, identify causal loci and mutations, understand and exploit natural genetic variation, and apply genome-informed breeding approaches (Liston et al. 2014; Denoyes et al. 2017; Oh et al. 2019; Hardigan

et al. 2020; Whitaker et al. 2020). We concluded from the small genome size (0.81 Gbp), high gene density (approximately 40%), and phenomenal nucleotide diversity that the navigation of the allo-octoploid strawberry genome might even be simpler than that of wheat, allo-tetraploid peanut, and many other paleopolyploid and allo-polyploid plants (Akhunov et al. 2010; Clevenger and Ozias-Akins 2015; Clevenger et al. 2017; Bertioli et al. 2019; Edger et al. 2019; Hardigan et al. 2020). To put octoploid strawberry nucleotide diversity into perspective, the four subgenomes appear to harbor similar diversity, with respect to SNP and INDEL variation, as paleopolyploid maize landraces (Tenallon et al. 2001; Buckler, Gaut, and McMullen 2006; Gore et al. 2009). Most of this diversity appears to be preserved within domesticated individuals, assisted through clonal preservation of heirloom varieties. There are many unexplored aspects of this diversity, including a deeper exploration and characterization of the admixed genomic landscape and the effects of subgenome fractionation and other evolutionary forces (Freeling et al. 2012; Edger et al. 2018a; Alger and Edger 2020).

Our recent high-density comparative genetic mapping studies and others have substantiated allo-octoploid (disomic) meiotic pairing and segregation in *F. chiloensis*, *F. virginiana*, and *F. × ananassa*; hence, octoploid *Fragaria* follow the laws of diploid Mendelian genetics (Rousseau-Gueutin et al. 2008; Tennessem et al. 2014; Sargent et al. 2016; Hardigan et al. 2020; Whitaker et al. 2020). Although the four subgenomes independently recombine and segregate in present-day octoploids, they extensively recombined in ancient tetraploid, hexaploid, and octoploid ancestors and underwent subgenome fractionation and other changes as the ancestral polyploids formed and evolved (Freeling et al. 2012; Renny-Byfield et al. 2017; Edger et al. 2018a, 2019, 2020). We proposed the A, B, C, and D subgenome nomenclature with the knowledge that none of the extant subgenomes are now purely derived from a single diploid ancestor (fig. 1; table 1; supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online; Edger et al. (2019, 2020; Liston et al. 2020). These designations correspond to the four homoeologous chromosome complements found in present-day octoploids and provide a common language for identifying and labeling subgenomes, chromosomes, and linkage groups. The proposed nomenclature is agnostic to the origin of DNA on any one of the 28 chromosomes but consistent with observed subgenome

fractionation, chromosome homology, and stable allo-octoploid (homoelog-specific) recombination and segregation (Hardigan et al. 2020) (supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online). With a logical and coherent genome-anchored nomenclature in place, we are advocating for the adoption of a single nomenclature to facilitate and expedite the exchange of information and future expansion of the catalog of functionally characterized loci, mutations, and genes underlying phenotypic diversity in the octoploid species (table 1; supplementary file S1, Supplementary Material online).

Materials and Methods

Plant Material

We analyzed 1,669 octoploid individuals (germplasm accessions) (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online), which included 37 *F. chiloensis* ecotypes, 40 *F. virginiana* ecotypes, and 1,592 *F. × ananassa* individuals. The data for these individuals were divided into subsets and populations as needed for specific analyses. These plant materials are preserved in clonal germplasm collections maintained at the University of California, Davis (UCD), University of Florida (UF), and US Department of Agriculture (USDA) National Plant Germplasm System (NPGS), National Clonal Germplasm Repository, Corvallis, Oregon, USA (<https://www.ars.usda.gov/pacific-west-area/corvallis-or/national-clonal-germplasm-repository/>, last accessed December 1, 2020). The *F. × ananassa* individuals included early interspecific hybrids, heirloom and modern cultivars, and unreleased individuals developed at UCD or UF. The UCD individuals analyzed spanned the entire history of the UCD breeding program (Hardigan et al. 2018; Pincot et al. 2020) (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online). Accession identification numbers, common names and aliases, sources, and other passport data are documented for every germplasm accession in supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online.

Octoploid Strawberry Sequencing

We obtained Illumina WGS sequence data for 145 octoploid strawberry individuals (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online), including 24 *F. chiloensis*, 22 *F. virginiana*, and 99 *F. × ananassa* (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online). Newly emerging leaves were harvested from greenhouse or field grown plants (Davis or Winters, CA, USA). Genomic DNA was isolated from leaf tissue using the E-Z 96 Plant DNA kit (Omega Bio-Tek, Norcross, GA, USA) with Proteinase K added to the initial buffer and RNase treatment following lysate separation from the cellular debris. The manufacturers protocol was modified to include an additional spin step and incubation was carried out at 65 °C during elution. Paired-end sequencing libraries (PE150) were prepared using the KAPA Hyper Plus kit (Kapa Biosystems, Wilmington, MA, USA) and BIOO Nextflex adapters (BIOO Scientific, Austin, TX, USA). DNA was sheared using the Covaris E220 (Covaris Inc, Woburn, MA, USA) and size selected for an average insert size of 300-nt

using magnetic beads (Mag-Bind® RxnPure Plus, Omega Biotek). Library QC was performed on a Bioanalyzer (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA). Libraries were pooled and sequenced on a NovaSeq platform (Illumina, Inc., San Diego, CA, USA) at the UCSF Center for Advanced Technology, San Francisco, CA. Eight additional octoploid WGS datasets (PE100) were obtained from the NCBI SRA (SRR1513906, SRR1513893, SRR1513905, SRR1513903, SRR1513892, SRR1513904, SRR1513867, and SRR1513873). The resequenced *F. × ananassa* individuals included historically and commercially important heirloom and modern cultivars developed at UCD, UF, and other public institutions, in addition to historically important common ancestors of heirloom and modern cultivars identified by (Pincot et al. 2020) (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online).

WGS DNA Variant Calling

We called SNP and INDEL DNA variants using sequences that aligned uniquely to a single subgenome (A, B, C, or D) of the "Camarosa" v1.0 octoploid reference genome (Edger et al. 2019). Illumina reads were quality-trimmed using CutAdapt (v1.8) (Martin 2011) with default parameters and a minimum Phred score of 25. Trimmed reads were aligned to the "Camarosa" v1.0 genome using BWA-mem (v0.7.16) (Li 2013), processed to mark optical and PCR duplicates using Picard Tools (v2.18) (<http://broadinstitute.github.io/picard>, last accessed December 1, 2020), and INDEL-realigned using GATK (v3.8) (McKenna et al. 2010). Uniquely mapped reads (MapQ > 20) were used to predict variants with FreeBayes (v1.2) (Garrison and Marth 2012) and filtered with vcflib (<https://github.com/vcflib/vcflib>, last accessed December 1, 2020). A set of hard-filters was applied to remove variants with low site quality (vcflib: QUAL > 40), low contribution of allele observations to site quality (vcflib: QUAL/AO > 10), low read coverage (vcflib: DP > 500), strand bias (vcflib: SAF > 0 and SAR > 0), read-placement bias (RPR > 1 and RPL ≤ 1), unbalanced mapping quality of reference and alternate alleles (vcflib: 0.4 ≤ [MQM/MQMR] ≤ 2.5), unbalanced allele frequencies at heterozygous sites (vcflib: 0.2 ≤ AB ≤ 0.8), low end-placement probability score (EPP ≥ 3), and low strand-bias probability score (vcflib: SRP ≤ 3 and SAP ≤ 3). Individual sample genotypes were required to have individual read coverage ≥ 4, and at least two reads and a minimum of 0.20 read observations supporting each allele.

SNP Array Genotyping

We genotyped 1,387 individuals with 50 K SNP array only, 112 individuals with an 850 K SNP array only, and 144 individuals with both the 50 K and 850 K SNP arrays; hence, 1,643 individuals were genotyped with one or both SNP arrays (Affymetrix Inc., Santa Clara, CA, USA) (Hardigan et al. 2020). These included 32 *F. chiloensis*, 35 *F. virginiana*, and 1,576 *F. × ananassa* individuals (supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material online). They were divided into subsets and populations as needed for specific analyses. Both SNP arrays were populated with probes that yield a high percentage of subgenome-specific codominant genotypic assays. Genomic DNA was isolated from samples using methods

described for WGS sequencing libraries. CEL files containing sample fluorescence data were imported into the Affymetrix Axiom Analysis Suite (v1.1.1.66), and run in “polyploid” mode to predict marker genotype clusters.

Individual and Population Level Diversity Statistics

Population-level nucleotide diversity (π) and individual sample heterozygosity (H) estimates were calculated based on 41.8 M SNP and INDEL sequence variants using a custom perl script. Nucleotide diversity estimates were calculated genome-wide and in nonoverlapping 25 kb chromosome windows as the sum of pairwise diversity for all variant sites divided by total nongap (N) genomic nucleotides within a target region. Individual genome heterozygosity was calculated as the sum of heterozygous variant sites in a sample divided by total nongap (N) genomic nucleotides. Nei’s genetic distances were calculated using the “gendift” function in the PHYLIP (v3.69) software package (<https://evolution.genetics.washington.edu/phylip/>, last accessed December 1, 2020; [Nei and Li 1979](#); [Nei 1987](#); [Felsenstein 1989](#)). For estimation of relative wild founder allele dosage, we reported the ratio of *F. × ananassa* genetic distance to *F. chiloensis* and *F. × ananassa* genetic distance to *F. virginiana* in nonoverlapping 10 kb chromosome windows. We generated two-population F_{ST} estimates using the R package SNPRelate (v1.6.4) ([Zheng et al. 2012](#)).

Population Structure Analysis

WGS, 850 K SNP array, and 50 K SNP array genotype matrices were LD-pruned ($r^2 \leq 0.70$) using the R package SNPRelate (v1.6.4) ([Zheng et al. 2012](#)). LD-pruned genotype matrices were used to evaluate population structure by principal component analysis (SNPRelate) and clustering with an admixture model using STRUCTURE (v.2.3.4) (<https://web.stanford.edu/group/pritchardlab/structure.html>, last accessed December 1, 2020; [Pritchard, Stephens, and Donnelly 2000](#)). The STRUCTURE analysis tested for $K = 2-14$ subpopulations (25,000 burn-in steps and 50,000 Markov-Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) steps with 10 replicates per K value. The optimal subpopulation (K) value was determined using the [Evanno et al. \(2005\)](#) method as applied by STRUCTURE HARVESTER (v0.6.94) ([Earl and vonHoldt 2012](#)) with sample orders calculated using CLUMPP (v1.1.2) ([Jakobsson and Rosenberg 2007](#)). We validated the use of all SNP sites for admixture prediction by repeating the STRUCTURE analysis in a representative subset of individuals ($n = 140$) using all SNPs subject to strict LD-pruning ($r^2 \leq 0.5$; $n = 8,585$), and neutral coding SNPs subject to strict LD-pruning ($r^2 \leq 0.5$; $n = 451$). The results were visualized using evalAdmix ([Garcia-Erill and Albrechtsen 2020](#)).

Phylogenetic Analysis

The wild octoploid subspecies cladogram was generated by merging the genotype matrix of wild individuals assayed in the present study with the 50 K SNP array and the genotype matrix of wild individuals assayed using the iStraw35 SNP array ([Bassil et al. 2015](#); [Verma et al. 2017](#)) by [Hardigan et al. \(2018\)](#). We retained SNP markers tiled on both arrays

and selected SNP markers that were polymorphic and contained no missing data. Using PHYLIP (v3.69) we generated 1,000 bootstrap datasets with the “seqboot” function, estimated genetic distance matrices using the “gendift” function, performed neighbor-joining analysis using the “neighbor” function, and generated the consensus tree using the “consense” function ([Felsenstein 1989](#)). A maximum-likelihood phylogenetic tree was constructed for 273 wild and domesticated individuals using the LD-pruned 850 K SNP array genotype matrix. The tree was generated in PHYLIP based on 1,000 bootstrap datasets using the “contml” function. Trees were visualized using FigTree (<http://tree.bio.ed.ac.uk/software/figtree/>, last accessed December 1, 2020).

Selective Sweep Analyses

Selective sweeps analyses were performed using the cross-population comparative likelihood ratio method implemented in XP-CLR ([Chen et al. 2010](#)) with DNA variants (41.8 M SNPs and INDELS) called among WGS sequence alignments. We applied a fixed recombination rate of 1.86×10^{-8} cM/bp as described by [Tiley et al. \(2015\)](#). We split individuals into three groups to scan the genome for selective sweeps in early and modern phases of domestication: wild ecotypes ($n = 26$), early hybrids and heirloom cultivars ($n = 26$), and modern cultivars ($n = 26$) ([supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material](#) online). For the “early” domestication phase, we compared wild ecotypes to all pre-1970 cultivars ([supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material](#) online). For the “modern” domestication phase, we compared early hybrids and heirloom cultivars to modern (post-1970) UCD cultivars ([supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material](#) online). XP-CLR was run on overlapping 10 kb windows with a 1 kb step size. As recommended by ([Chen, Patterson, and Reich 2010](#)), we down-weighted variants in high LD ($r^2 > 0.7$). We selected the 1% of windows with highest selection coefficients as putative selective sweep windows. Windows without scores were removed and adjacent windows were merged to form single sweep regions. The coefficients of selection (s) were calculated as described by [Chen et al. \(2010\)](#).

Genome-Wide Association Study

Fruit size (g/berry) and fruit firmness (g/cm²) were measured on 466 wild and domesticated individuals in 2018 from unreplicated six-plant plots grown in Ventura, CA under commercial field conditions. The composition of the GWAS population is shown in [supplementary file S2, Supplementary Material](#) online. Fruit firmness was measured on six randomly selected berries/accession as maximum force with a QA Supplies FT2 handheld penetrometer equipped with a 3 mm probe (QA Supplies, Norfolk, VA, USA) ([Abbott 1999](#)). These individuals ($n = 466$) were genotyped with a 50 K array SNP array ([Hardigan et al. 2020](#)). GWAS was performed in TASSEL (v5) ([Bradbury et al. 2007](#)) using a mixed linear model (MLM) analysis. Marker genotypes were imported in HapMap format and filtered using a MAF of 0.05. The kinship matrix was estimated using TASSEL. The sample Q-matrix was estimated using STRUCTURE and

imported into TASSEL to account for population structure. Manhattan plots were produced by plotting $-\log_{10} P$ -values for individual DNA marker loci by physical positions (Mb) in the "Camarosa" v1.0 reference genome, excluding loci with $P \geq 0.10$.

Data Availability

WGS DNA sequences for resequenced individuals are available at the NCBI Short Read Archive under BioProject PRJNA578384. The octoploid (*F. × ananassa* 'Camarosa' v1.0) reference genome (Edger et al. 2019) is available on DRYAD (<https://doi.org/10.5061/dryad.b2c58pc>, last accessed December 1, 2020) and the Genome Database for Rosaceae (https://www.rosaceae.org/species/fragaria_x_ananassa/genome_v1.0.a1, last accessed December 1, 2020). All supplemental files and custom scripts are available on DRYAD (<https://doi.org/10.25338/B8RH0G>, last accessed December 1, 2020).

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