

③ Origin of Galeopsis tetrahit → It is an allopolyploid tetraploid with  $(2n=32)$ . It was derived from a cross between *G. pubescens* and *G. speciosa*. The  $F_1$  hybrids were sterile showing almost complete lack of pairing. This difficulty is overcome by doubling of chromosome number.

*Galeopsis pubescens*  $\times$  *Galeopsis speciosa*  
 $2n=16$ , 8 bivalents |  $2n=16$ , 8 bivalents

↓  
 $F_1$  hybrid  
 $(2n=16, 16 \text{ univalent})$

↓ chromosome doubling  
 $2n=32, 16 \text{ bivalents}$   
(*Galeopsis tetrahit*)

Artificial synthesis  
Origin of tetraploid of *Galeopsis tetrahit*

SYNTHESIS OF TRITICALE → It is a man-made cereal. It resulted as an artificial allopolyploid derived by crossing Triticum and secale cereal. Several kinds of Triticales have been synthesized. According to Muntzing (1979), Gupta (1984, 85, 87) and Prasad (1982) as many as 150 cultivars of Triticale have been released during

the last 10 years. The methods of origin of different triticales can be shown as follows.

$AABB$   
 (A x wheat)

x

$RR$   
 (2 x rye)

↓ embryo culture

$ABR$  ( $2n=21$ )  
 (3 x sterile hybrid)

↓ colchicine

$AA BB RR$  ( $2n=42$ )  
 Fertile primary 6 x triticate

Improvement by breeding

cross with

cross with 6 x br

$8x$  triticate ( $AABBDDRR$ )    
  $4x$  F<sub>1</sub> hybrids ( $ABDR$ )    
  $6x$  wheat ( $AABBDD$ )

$AA BB DDRR$     
 Triplet hybrid    
 $AABBDD$

Interbred or bred crossed with 6 x triticales.

recombinant trit

- ① True 6 x triticales.
- ② Substitutional 6 x triticales.

**CONCLUSION** → The above examples indicate that a number of natural polyploids have originated by process which can be duplicated in laboratory. Since, the products obtained in laboratory, resemble those found in nature. The method used in laboratory indicated evolutionary path which must have been followed in nature in remote past. It is also believed that the most of the naturally occurring polyploid are neither true autopolyploids nor true allopolyploids but are ~~whether~~ segmental polyploids.