

1 **Accumulation of mutations in genes associated with sexual reproduction contributed to**
2 **the domestication of a vegetatively propagated staple crop, enset.**

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23 **Abstract**

24 Enset (*Ensete ventricosum* (Welw.) Cheesman) is a drought tolerant, vegetatively propagated
25 crop that was domesticated in Ethiopia. It is a staple food for more than 20 million people in
26 Ethiopia. Despite its current importance and immense potential, enset is among the most
27 genetically understudied and underexploited food crops. We collected 230 enset wild and
28 cultivated accessions across the main enset producing regions in Ethiopia and applied amplified
29 fragment length polymorphism and genotype by sequencing (GBS) methods to these
30 accessions. Wild and cultivated accessions were clearly separated from each other, with 89
31 genes found to harbour SNPs that separated wild from cultivated accessions. Among these, 17
32 genes are thought to be involved in flower initiation and seed development. Among cultivated
33 accessions, differentiation was mostly associated with geographical location and with
34 proximity to wild populations. Our results indicate that vegetative propagation of elite clones
35 has favoured capacity for vegetative growth at the expense of capacity for sexual reproduction.
36 This is consistent with previous reports that cultivated enset tends to produce non-viable seeds
37 and flowers less frequent than wild enset.

38 Keywords: GBS, cultivated enset, wild enset, SNP, Genotyping By Sequencing, MSAP,
39 population structure, domestication

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41 **Introduction**

42 Plant domestication and breeding can alter and shrink genetic diversity (Miller & Schaal, 2006;
43 Martínez-Ainsworth & Tenaillon, 2016). In some crop species, this entails a shift from sexual
44 to vegetative propagation (Silvertown, 2008). Enset (*Ensete ventricosum* Welw.) Cheesman),
45 often referred as false banana) is a hapaxanth diploid ($2n=18$) plant (Cheesman, 1947) that
46 belongs to the Musaceae family (Shumbulo et al., 2012). In the wild, enset propagates by seed
47 (Haile et al. 2014). The native distribution of wild enset encompasses the eastern coast Africa,
48 from South Africa to Ethiopia, and extends west into the Congo (Borrell et al., 2019). In
49 Ethiopia, which is considered to be the centre of origin of *E. ventricosum*, wild enset grows
50 mainly along riversides and deep forest, extending into cultivated land and gardens in some
51 regions (Olango *et al.*, 2015; Eshetae *et al.*, 2019).

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53 Despite the wide distribution of wild enset, enset has been domesticated only in the Ethiopian
54 highlands (Borrell et al., 2019; Heslop-Harrison et al., 2019) and it is now grown as a crop
55 mainly in the southern and south-western parts of Ethiopia (Olango *et al.*, 2014; Guzzon &
56 Müller, 2016). In these regions, cultivated enset is propagated vegetatively from suckers.
57 Ethiopia maintains more than 600 accessions of cultivated enset *via* vegetative propagation
58 (Harrison et al., 2014).

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60 Due to its importance for food security in Ethiopia (Yemataw *et al.*, 2014; Guzzon & Müller,
61 2016; Yemata, 2020), enset has been called “the tree against hunger” (Brandt et al., 1997a).
62 Enset is known for its high yield, drought tolerance, high shade potential, broad agro-ecological
63 distribution and long storage capacity (Brandt et al., 1997b; Quinlan et al., 2014). Despite these
64 positive features, enset has received little research attention (Borrell et al., 2019) and its genetic

65 diversity is under threat from diseases such as bacterial wilt and from pressures associated with
66 human population growth (Birmeta, 2004; Guzzon & Müller, 2016).

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68 Genetic analysis of intraspecific variation in enset has mainly relied upon data for ‘anonymous’
69 molecular markers, such as amplified fragment length polymorphisms (AFLP) (Tsegaye &
70 Struik, 2002), random amplified polymorphic DNA (RAPD) (Birmeta et al., 2004), inter simple
71 sequence repeats (ISSR) (Tobiaw & Bekele, 2013) and microsatellites (simple sequence repeat
72 (SSR) polymorphisms (Getachew *et al.*, 2014; Olango *et al.*, 2015; Gerura *et al.*, 2019). Given
73 that enset is vegetatively propagated, genetic divergence among cultivars may be minimal
74 (McKey et al., 2010) and could be difficult to detect using these marker types.

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76 Here, we report on the application of both AFLP and next-generation sequencing (NGS)
77 methods to 230 enset accessions (192 cultivated and 38 wild). Data collected using these
78 methods were used to investigate population structure of cultivated and wild enset accessions
79 and to identify signatures of selection and domestication within the enset genome. To our
80 knowledge, this is the first application of NGS to a large number of accessions of wild and
81 cultivated enset collected from a large geographic area.

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83 **Results**

84 **AFLP analysis**

85 Based on the analysis of presence/absence data for 111 AFLP amplicons with lengths ranging
86 from 51 bp to 350 bp, the heterozygosity and Shannon’s Index were higher for cultivated
87 accessions (0.193 ± 0.02 and 0.298 ± 0.029) than for wild accessions (0.186 ± 0.02 and
88 0.285 ± 0.029). However, the average genetic distance between cultivated accessions was lower
89 (0.026 ± 0.002) than between wild accessions (0.047 ± 0.007). The average percentage of

90 polymorphic peaks for cultivated and wild accessions were $45.75\% \pm 3.25\%$ and $41.7\% \pm 6.18$
91 respectively.

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93 Analysis of molecular variance (AMOVA) showed that that the majority (87-89%) of enset
94 genetic variability is explained by within-region differences, while 11-13% can be attributed
95 to variation between regions (Table 2). Principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) using AFLP
96 markers showed that wild and cultivated enset accessions formed clusters with considerable
97 overlapping of individuals from the two groups (Fig. 2a). Mantel test analysis showed
98 significant correlation ($r = 0.7$; $P < 0.0001$) between genetic and geographic distances among
99 cultivated and wild enset accessions (Supplementary Fig.1).

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101 **SNP discovery and analysis**

102 Genotyping by sequencing of 149 (125 cultivated and 24 wild) enset accessions generated a
103 total of 569,324,179 reads with 74 bp length and 50% of GC content. Eight samples were
104 removed because of high SNP missing ratio, leaving 141 samples (120 cultivated and 21 wild)
105 for analysis.

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107 A total of 3,743,487 tags passed mapping criteria when physically mapped to the *Musa*
108 *malaccensis* (wild banana) genome. This reference genome based SNP calling generated
109 22,884 SNPs showing locus coverage lower than 0.1 and minor allele frequency lower than
110 0.01. After filtering to remove SNPs with missing value greater than 20% and missing ratio
111 greater than 30%, 5169 high quality SNPs remained. Of these, 4282 SNPs (83%) physically
112 mapped to one of the 11 chromosomes of the *Musa malaccensis* genome and the remaining
113 887 SNPs were physically mapped to *Musa malaccensis* genome scaffolds (Table 3). The
114 number SNPs per chromosome ranged from 251 in chromosome 2 to 465 in chromosome 4

115 (Table 3), with an average 389 SNPs per chromosome. The highest density of SNPs was
116 detected on chromosome 4 (65.05 kb/SNP) and the lowest on chromosome 10 (91.5 kb/SNP).
117 A/G transitions presented the highest frequency (29.06%) followed by C/T transitions
118 (28.03%) and A/C transversions (11.30%) (Table 5).

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120 **Genetic relatedness and population structure of cultivated and wild enset accessions**

121 PCA using the 5169 SNP markers indicated that all but one of the wild enset accessions
122 clustered separately from the cultivated enset accessions (Fig.2b). UPGMA based phylogenetic
123 tree (Fig.3) showed that the cultivated and wild enset accessions formed two clearly separated
124 clades. The cultivated enset accessions formed multiple subclades within the cultivated enset
125 population.

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127 DAPC analysis showed a clear separation of enset accessions into three clusters (Fig.4a).
128 Cluster 1 was comprised of 24 cultivated accessions and one wild accession. Among the 24
129 cultivated accessions in this clade, 17 accessions (71%) were collected from areas in which
130 only cultivated enset was found. Cluster 2 contained 96 cultivated accessions, 67% of which
131 were collected from areas which have both cultivated and wild enset accessions. Cluster 3
132 contained only wild enset accessions. STRUCTURE analysis with the ΔK method indicated
133 the most informative number of subpopulations is two ($K = 2$) (Fig. 5b). Individuals were
134 considered part of a cluster when the probability of membership was 0.5 or greater. With $K=2$,
135 46 cultivated enset accessions clustered together with 20 wild enset accessions. With $K=3$, the
136 pattern was similar (Fig.5a). At higher values of K , wild accessions continued to group together
137 and the cultivated accessions grouped into three main clusters.

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140 **Genetic diversity of cultivated and wild enset**

141 The average PIC and gene diversity were similar for cultivated and wild accessions. Cultivated
142 enset accessions exhibited higher heterozygosity than wild accessions, while the average major
143 allele frequency was higher for cultivated than for wild accessions (Table 4). The average
144 genetic distances and average F_{st} values among cultivated and wild accessions were
145 0.33 ± 0.001 (SE) and 0.11 ± 0.005 (SE), respectively.

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147 Analysis of genome-regional patterns of nucleotide diversity using 500 kb non-overlapping
148 sliding windows showed that the average nucleotide diversity was higher in wild enset
149 accessions (0.32 ± 0.005 (SE)) than in cultivated enset accessions (0.27 ± 0.006 (SE)) (Fig.6).
150 Calculation of the degree of diversification (F_{st}) between cultivated and wild enset accessions
151 identified a total of 29 genomic subregions with high degree of diversification ($F_{st}>0.2$) and 76
152 genomic subregions with low F_{st} ($F_{st}<0.02$) (Fig.6). Chromosomes 3, 5 and 10 presented the
153 highest number of genomic subregions with high F_{st} . On the other hand, chromosome 1
154 presented the highest number of low F_{st} genomic subregions (11 subregions), while
155 chromosomes 2, 3 and 5 showed the lowest number of low F_{st} genomic subregions (4
156 subregions).

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158 **Genomic regions under selection pressure**

159 The genome scan approach (LOSITAN-based F_{st} -outlier detection method) implemented in
160 this study identified 158 (2.56%) SNPs which frequency was significantly different between
161 cultivated and wild enset populations which are dispersed throughout the 11 chromosomes of
162 the wild banana reference genome (Fig. 7). Chromosome 3 and 10 harbour highest number of
163 outlier SNPs (16 outlier SNPs each). Chromosome 1 contains the lowest number of outlier
164 SNPs (4 SNPs), despite containing the highest number of SNP markers. Mapping of outlier

165 SNPs to the reference genome (*Musa acuminata subsp. malaccensis*) genome identified 89
166 genes containing one or more SNPs within their protein coding region (Supplementary Table
167 4). Of these, 19 genes were found to be associated to sexual reproduction traits, i.e. flowering
168 (8 genes), seed development and germination (9 genes) or domestication (2 genes)
169 (Supplementary Table 6). The function of these genes were annotated based on comparative
170 genomics (one gene), deduced from protein containing domains as putative function (five
171 genes) and experimentally validated (14 genes) in other plants such as *Arabidopsis thaliana*,
172 rice, soybean and tomato.

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174 **Discussion**

175 **Genetic diversity of enset in Ethiopia**

176 The results presented here indicate that cultivated and wild enset accessions exhibit similar
177 gene diversity and polymorphic information content (PIC) (Table 4). This is similar to what
178 has been reported based on SSR marker analysis of enset genetic diversity (Gerura *et al.*, 2019),
179 but differs from what has been reported by Olango *et al.* (2015), which reported that higher
180 gene diversity in cultivated enset population (0.59) than wild enset population (0.40), but
181 similar heterozygosity for cultivated and wild enset populations (0.5). The genetic diversity for
182 both cultivated and wild enset reported in the current study (Table 4) is lower than previous
183 enset genetic diversity studies conducted using SSR markers (Getachew *et al.*, 2014; Olango *et al.*,
184 2015; Gerura *et al.*, 2019). These differences and discrepancies might be due to the nature
185 of the different types of markers used. SSRs and microsatellite are multi-allelic and are more
186 polymorphic than SNP markers, which are usually bi-allelic. The genetic diversity detected
187 here for enset is higher than what has been reported for some other vegetatively propagated
188 plants such as Cassava (de Albuquerque *et al.*, 2018; Kamanda *et al.*, 2020), and out-crossing

189 plants such as sunflower (Mandel et al., 2011) but lower what has been reported for Japonica
190 rice (Becerra et al., 2017).

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192 Our observations that cultivated ensets exhibited higher heterozygosity and Shannon's Index
193 than wild enset resemble what have been reported for enset based on SSR markers study
194 (Gerura *et al.*, 2019) and for other plant species, including *Camellia sinensis* (Yang et al., 2016)
195 and *C. taliensis* (Zhao et al., 2014). The high heterozygosity of cultivated enset might be due
196 to vegetative propagation maintaining heterozygosity across clonal generations. In addition,
197 the wild enset habitat has been sharply declining in Ethiopia because of population growth and
198 deforestation (Birmeta et al., 2004; Olango et al., 2015). This reduction in effective population
199 size might have contributed to the observed lower heterozygosity due to the increase of chances
200 of inbreeding in wild enset populations. However, genetic distances were greater among wild
201 accessions than among cultivated accessions, possibly because wild populations remained
202 isolated by distance or geographical barriers (Tobiaw & Bekele, 2013), while cultivated
203 materials were more readily transferred between regions through regular long-distance
204 accessions exchange between farmers (Brimata et al., 2020). Limited genetic distances among
205 cultivated enset accessions could also be due to recent separation (fragmentation) of the
206 varieties, without sufficient evolutionary time to generate variation (Burgos-Hernández et al.,
207 2013).

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209 **Population structure and genetic relationship between cultivated and wild enset** 210 **accessions in Ethiopia**

211 PCA and phylogenetic analysis revealed that cultivated and wild enset accessions separated
212 into genetically distinct clusters despite being morphologically similar members of the same
213 taxonomic species. This indicates that cultivated enset accessions has been domesticated from

214 a limited number of wild progenitors (Brimeta et al.,2004). It is also possible that currently
215 cultivated enset and the currently available wild enset in Ethiopia originated from different
216 ancestral materials. Bayesian clustering program STRUCTURE indicated that cultivated
217 population grouped into three clusters and this is similar to previous SSR marker based enset
218 genetic diversity study (Olango *et al.*, 2015). The genetic sub-clustering within cultivated enset
219 corresponds with geographical distance between the accessions and proximity to wild enset.
220 Cultivated enset accessions collected from areas where wild enset grows showed higher
221 admixture and weaker clustering than those collected from areas where wild enset does not
222 grow. Some cultivated accessions clustered with wild accessions, possibly indicating recent
223 introgression of wild enset into farming systems. In the Omo region, particularly in the Ari
224 sub-region, wild enset growing in gardens have been adopted by farmers as a cultivated crop
225 and propagated (Shigeta, 1990; Hildebrand, 2001a). Thus, multiple domestication events
226 and/or frequent introgression from wild enset could explain the high genetic diversity and
227 overlapping spatial distributions of wild and cultivated enset (Borrell et al., 2019). Mantel test
228 showed significant correlation ($r=0.7$, $P=0.0001$) between genetic and geographic distances
229 separating wild and cultivated populations. Our results support Olango *et al* (2015) and Brimeta
230 *et al* (2004) reports of a limited possibility of gene flow due to the natural distribution of wild
231 enset and farming management.

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233 **Loci under selection signature**

234 Improved understanding of the genetic adaption of enset could facilitate genetic improvement.
235 F_{st} outlier tests for detecting extreme allele frequency differentiation can detect genomic
236 regions that have evolved under adaptation and selection (Beaumont & Balding, 2004;
237 Lotterhos & Whitlock, 2014). Here, application of an F_{st} outlier test identified 158 outlier SNP
238 markers that show significant ($P<0.01$) genetic differentiation between cultivated and wild

239 enset. Mapping of these outlier markers to the diploid banana genome led to the identification
240 of 89 genes under selection during enset domestication. 19.1% of these genes were found to be
241 related to the regulation of flowering (Zhong & Ye, 2004; Gunesequera *et al.*, 2007; Ishida *et*
242 *al.*, 2008; Uehara *et al.*, 2019; Kang *et al.*, 2020), or seed development (Swain *et al.*, 2005;
243 Wen *et al.*, 2008; Li & Li, 2014; Ma *et al.*, 2018). Interestingly, another 2.3% of the genes
244 found to be under selection have been previously associated to domestication in other species
245 (Chakrabarti *et al.*, 2013; Jan *et al.*, 2013; Li *et al.*, 2017). Flowering and seed development
246 are important characteristics that differentiate cultivated and wild enset (Borrell *et al.*, 2019).
247 Wild enset flowers more frequently and has larger flowers (mean basal girth 186cm) than
248 cultivated enset (mean basal girth 106cm) (Shigeta, 1990; Hildebrand, 2001b). Wild enset is
249 highly prolific, producing thousands of large (about 12 mm diameter) hard black seeds, while
250 cultivated enset plants bear fewer seeds, which are small (3 mm), soft, pale and incompletely
251 developed (Hildebrand, 2001b). It has been previously suggested that these traits could be due
252 to reduced fitness resulting from a subsequent selection and domestication bottleneck (Heslop-
253 Harrison *et al.*, 2019). The proportion of genes found to be under selection in cultivated enset,
254 certainly indicate that selection associated to domestication could be the driver of those traits.
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256 In addition, the calculation of degree of diversification (F_{st}) between cultivated and wild enset
257 accessions enabled the identification of genomic subregions (500 kb non-overlapping) with
258 high ($F_{st} > 0.2$) degree of diversification (Fig 6). Genomic subregions with high F_{st} may contain
259 or associated to potential genes that are related to plant domestication and adaptations, and
260 provide an indication of the functional genes involved (Lam *et al.*, 2010). In the current study,
261 F_{st} outlier based scan for candidate genes under putative selection and adaptation has found
262 promising results and is an important step forward to further studies on gene mapping and
263 identification, and designing enset breeding program. to better understand enset genome and

264 use our result, it is necessary to conduct further gene mapping and genome-wide association
265 studies with large sample size covering all the enset producing regions of Ethiopia.

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267 **Materials and methods**

268 **Study area**

269 Samples were collected from six of the major enset producing regions in Ethiopia: Dawro,
270 Guragie, Keffa, South Omo, Sheka and Sidama (Fig.1). Within each of these regions, samples
271 were collected from subregions and from two or three districts within each subregion (Table
272 1). Within each district, samples of domesticated enset were collected from five to ten
273 households, selected based on recommendations from local agricultural extension experts.
274 Samples of wild enset were collected around farming areas, along riversides and in deep
275 forests. For each sampling location, latitude and longitude (degrees, minutes, seconds) were
276 collected using GPS essentials mobile app ([https://downloads.tomsguide.com/GPS-](https://downloads.tomsguide.com/GPS-Essentials,0301-49666.html)
277 [Essentials,0301-49666.html](https://downloads.tomsguide.com/GPS-Essentials,0301-49666.html)) and then transformed to standard Universal Tranverse Mercator
278 coordinates (UTM) using a geographic unit converter
279 (<http://www.rcn.montana.edu/Resources/Converter.aspx>) (Supplementary Table 1).

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281 **Sample collection and DNA extraction**

282 Leaf samples were collected from 230 (192 cultivated and 38 wild) enset plants, each of which
283 was between one and two years old (based on the farmer's information) (Supplementary Table
284 1). Each sample consisted of a 5 cm * 5 cm fragments of the leaf blade of the most recently
285 unfurled leaf. Each sample was placed in a 50 ml tube and stored on ice during transportation,
286 then stored at -80 °C until DNA extraction. Each subsample (80-90 mg) were milled using a
287 mortar and pestle immersed in liquid nitrogen. DNA extractions were performed using DNeasy
288 Plant Mini Kits (Qiagene Inc.) according to the manufacturer's instructions. DNA

289 concentration was measured using the QuantiFluor^(R)dsDNA System^(a) (Promega, USA)
290 following manufacturer's instructions, then adjusted to 20 ng/μl using molecular biology grade
291 water (Sigma).

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293 **Amplified Fragment Length Polymorphism (AFLP) preparation and analysis**

294 AFLP reactions (Vos *et al.*, 1995) were performed for all 230 samples using a modification of
295 the protocol described by López *et al.* (2012). Briefly, samples containing 55 ng of genomic
296 DNA were enzymatically digested in a 12.5 reaction volume containing *MseI*, *EcoRI* (NEB)
297 and ligated to *MseI* and *EcoRI* adaptors (Supplementary Table 4) at 37° C for 2 h in a T100TM
298 Thermal cycler (*Bio-Rad* Laboratories, Hercules, CA). Success of the digestion/ligation
299 reaction was confirmed on 1.5% of agarose gel electrophoresis. Pre-selective PCR
300 amplification was carried out using primers containing a 3' selective nucleotide (i.e., *EcoRI*=A
301 and *MseI*=C). Selective amplification was then conducted using a primer combination with
302 three selective nucleotides at the 3' ends (*EcoRI*=ACG) and *MseI*=CAA). Selective bases were
303 chosen according to previous work on enset (Negash *et al.*, 2002). PCR products were separated
304 using Applied Biosystems 3130/3130xl Genetic Analysers (Applied Biosystems Life
305 Technologies).

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307 AFLP profiles were analysed using GeneMapper[®] Software v4.0. Clear and unambiguous
308 polymorphisms were considered and were scored on a presence/absence basis for each marker.
309 Clearly polymorphic peaks were verified manually and scored as present (1) or absent (0) for
310 each sample. The level of AFLP polymorphism and genetic diversity across enset accessions
311 were examined using GenAlEx 6.502 (Peakall & Smouse, 2012) based on average band
312 frequency, Nei's unbiased genetic distance, principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) and analysis
313 of molecular variance (AMOVA). To examine possibility of gene flow between cultivated and

314 wild enset accessions, the correlation between genetic distance (Φ_{PT}) and geographic distance
315 (km) was estimated using a Mantel test (Mantel, 1967) implemented in GenAlex using 10,000
316 random permutations.

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318 **Genotyping by sequencing (GBS) preparation and analysis**

319 Genotyping-by-sequencing was conducted for 149 enset samples (125 domestic and 24 wild;
320 Supplementary Table 2) that were selected to capture the genetic diversity shown by AFLP.
321 The GBS library preparation was carried out as described by Xie *et al.* (2017) including a water
322 negative control as described by Konate *et al.* (2018). The DNA concentration of each
323 individual library was normalized to 5 ng/ μ l. Two pooled libraries were created, each by
324 pooling the individual libraries from 75 uniquely barcoded samples (25 ng per sample)
325 (Supplementary Table 2). Each pooled library was then amplified in 10 PCR reactions, each
326 containing 10 μ l of digested/ligated DNA library, 12.5 μ l of NEB MasterMix, 2 μ l of 10 μ M
327 forward and reverse Illumina_PE primers (Supplementary Table 4) and 0.5 μ l of molecular
328 biology grade water (Sigma). The amplification reaction was carried using a T1000
329 Thermocycler at 95°C for 30 s, 16 cycles of (95°C for 30 s, 62°C for 20 s, 68°C for 30 s) and
330 72°C for 5 min. Amplification products were pooled together and cleaned using AMPure XP
331 beads (Beckman Coulter, Australia) (1:1 ratio) to remove excess primers and unremoved
332 adaptors. Libraries were sequenced using an Illumina NextSeq High Output 75 bp single-end
333 run (Illumina 1.9 Inc., San Diego, CA, United States) at the Australian Genome Research
334 Facility (AGRF, Adelaide, SA, Australia).

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336 **GBS SNP calling**

337 SNP calling was performed using two pipelines: *de novo*-based (reference genome
338 independent) TASSEL-UNEAK pipeline (Lu *et al.*, 2013) and the reference-based TASSEL-

339 GBS pipeline (Glaubitz *et al.*, 2014; Torkamaneh *et al.*, 2016). Only sequences containing
340 identical matches to the barcodes followed by the expected sequence of three nucleotides
341 remaining from a *MspI* cut-site (5'-CGG-3') were selected for the identification of SNPs.
342 FASTQ files containing barcoded sequence reads were demultiplexed using unique barcodes
343 for each sample and trimmed to 64 bp (not including the barcodes). Identical sequence reads
344 were collapsed into tags and sequencing tags from the four NextSeq Illumina sequencing lanes
345 were merged to form one master tag. These sequence tags were mapped to the wild (diploid)
346 banana (*Musa acuminata ssp. malaccensis*) genome sequence (D'hont *et al.*, 2012) to deduce
347 their genomic position. Tags with single base pair mismatches between samples were
348 considered as SNPs and were generated in Hapmap format.

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350 **Genetic diversity and population structure analysis**

351 Genetic diversity and genetic differentiation (F_{st}) were calculated using PopGenome R package
352 (Pfeifer *et al.*, 2014). Heterozygosity (the proportion of heterozygous individuals in the
353 population), gene diversity (expected heterozygosity) and polymorphic information content
354 (PIC) were calculated using Power Marker V3.25 (Liu & Muse, 2005). To examine the
355 relationship between cultivated and wild enset accessions, PCA plots and phylogenetic tree
356 (UPGMA) were built using TASSEL 5 (Bradbury *et al.*, 2007). GenGIS (Parks *et al.*, 2009)
357 was used to display the phylogenetic tree with the geographic regions of sample collection.

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359 Population structure was analysed using descriptive analysis of principal components (DAPC)
360 (Jombart *et al.*, 2010) and STRUCTURE (Pritchard *et al.*, 2000). The software STRUCTURE
361 was used to analyse the hierarchical population structure by setting the length of the burn-in
362 period to 50,000 iterations and number of the MCMC replications after burn-in to 50,000.
363 Between two to nine population clusters (K) were considered, with 10 iterations conducted for

364 each K -value. The best K -value was determined using Structure Harvester (Earl, 2012) based
365 on delta K (ΔK) (Evanno et al., 2005) and maximum log likelihood $L(K)$ (Rosenberg *et al.*,
366 2001)

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368 Genome-wide nucleotide diversity (average pairwise nucleotide differences) and population
369 differentiation (F_{st}) within and between wild and cultivated populations were calculated using
370 a 500 kb non-overlapping sliding window. To obtain genetic diversity per window, nucleotide
371 diversity was divided by number of SNPs per sliding window. These statistics were calculated
372 using R package PopGenome (Pfeifer *et al.*, 2014) and plotted using Circos (Krzywinski et
373 al., 2009) to visualize the pattern of genetic diversity across the whole enset genome.

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375 To detect loci under selection during enset domestication and adaptation, the FDIST2 method
376 adopted by Beaumont and Nichols (1996) was applied using lositan software (Antao *et al.*,
377 2008). F_{st} value was calculated for each SNP using allele frequencies conditional on expected
378 heterozygosity (He), and P-values for each SNP were calculated. SNPs within tags assigned
379 to one of the wild banana chromosomes were used to identify F_{st} outliers. F_{st} outlier analysis
380 was carried out with 50,000 interactions at 99% confidence interval. Then we searched for
381 genes containing these outlier SNPs in the wild banana genome to identify potential genes
382 under selection during enset domestication using magrittr R package (Bache & Wickham,
383 2014) and generated gene ID. The putative function of these genes were searched using
384 UNIPROT database (<https://www.uniprot.org/>) based on the gene ID.

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630 **Table 1:** Summery of cultivated and wild enset accessions sampled from six regions in South
 631 and South Western Ethiopia.

Region	Sub-region	Number of households	Number of samples		Total samples
			cultivated	wild	
Dawro	Loma	7	16	1	17
	Mareka	5	7	2	9
Guragie	Cheha	5	7	0	7
	Gumer	8	22	0	22
Holeta	Holeta	1	11	0	11
Keffa	Chena	7	20	4	24
	Decha	8	25	13	38
Omo	South Ari	10	36	6	42
Sheka	Benji		0	4	4
	Tepi		0	8	8
Sidama	Shebedino	6	19	0	19
	Korcchie	7	29	0	29
Total		64	192	38	230

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635 **Table 2:** Analysis of Molecular Variance (AMOVA) using AFLP markers for 192 accessions
636 of cultivated enset collected from seven regions

Source	df	SS	MS	Est.Var.	% of variation	P-Value
Among Populations	5	173.32 0	34.664	0.915	13%	0.0001
Within Populations	186	1175.024	6.317	6.317	87%	
Total	191	1348.344		7.232	100%	

637 df, degree of freedom; Est.Var, estimated variance; SS, sum of squares; %, the % of variance
638 explained by within and across regions

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640 **Table 3:** Total number of filtered and unfiltered SNP markers distributed across 11
641 chromosomes and chr_unknown (SNPs within contigs that had not been assigned to a
642 chromosome in the assembly).

Chromosome	Number SNP markers	
	Unfiltered	Filtered
1	1644	422
2	1262	251
3	1801	387
4	1978	462
5	1702	399
6	2056	417
7	1732	410
8	1955	442
9	1709	396
10	1708	368
11	1536	327
ChrUn_random	3800	887
Total	22883	5169

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646 **Table 4:** Genetic diversity analysis of cultivated and wild enset accessions collected from six
647 major enset producing regions of Ethiopia, analysed using 5169 GBS-based SNP markers

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Category	Sample Size	Major allele frequency	Gene Diversity	Heterozygosity	PIC
Cultivated	120	0.71±0.002	0.40±0.003	0.26±0.003	0.35±0.003
Wild	21	0.68±0.002	0.42±0.002	0.21±0.002	0.37±0.002

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651 **Table 5:** Number and proportion of nucleotide combinations of the 5169 SNP markers

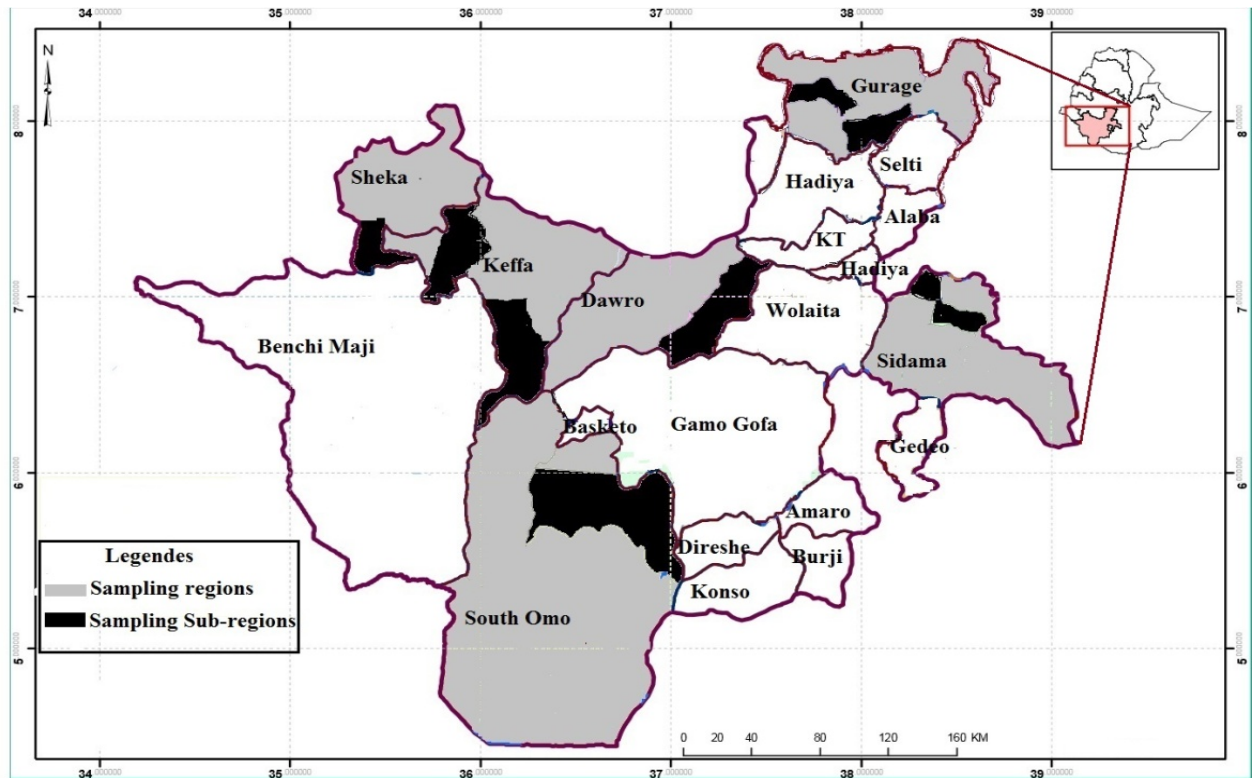
Allele	Number	Proportion (%)
A/C	567	10.97
A/G	1502	29.06
A/T	431	8.34
C/G	504	9.75
C/T	1449	28.03
G/T	580	11.22
multiple allele	136	2.63
Total	5169	100

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657 **Fig.1.** Sampling regions and sub-regions located in Southern Nation, Nationalities and People

658 Region (SNNPR), Ethiopia.

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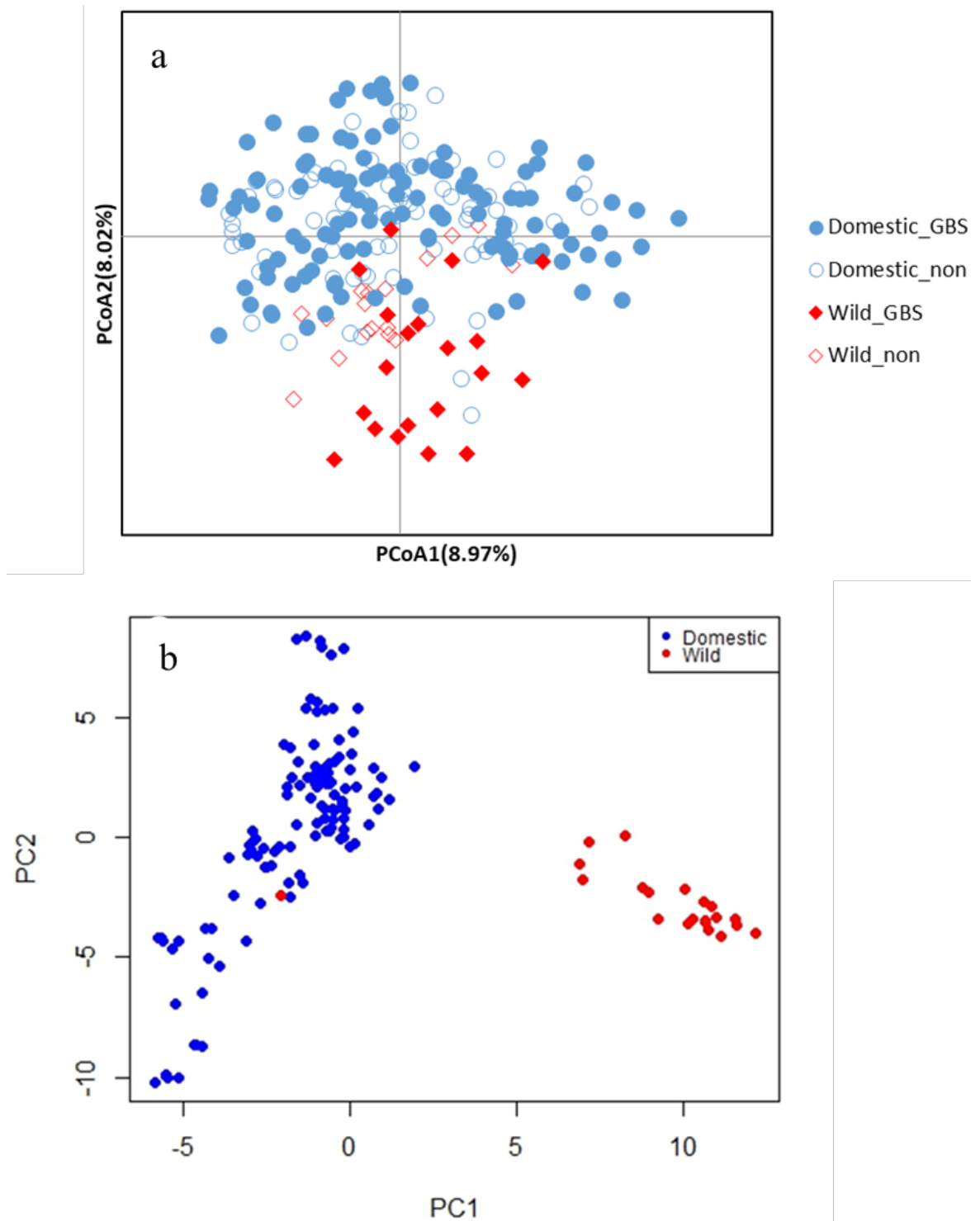
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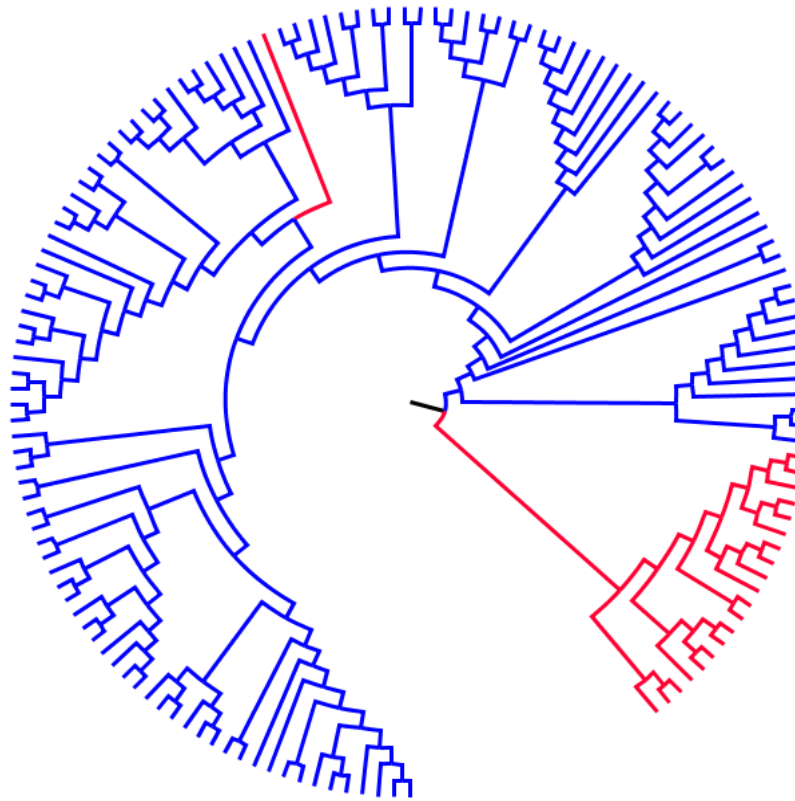
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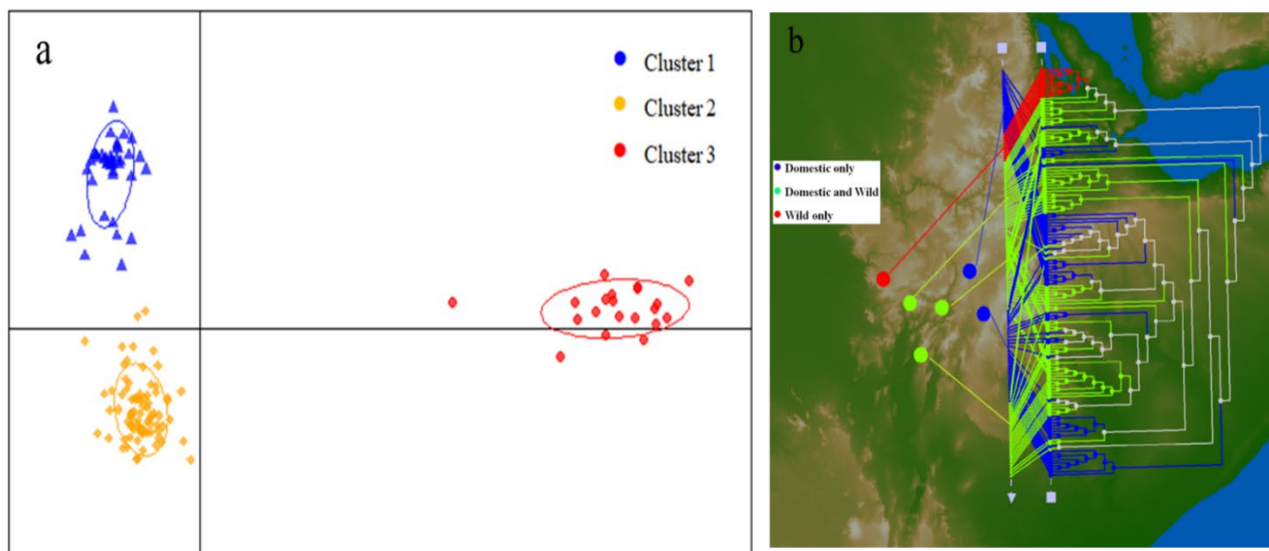
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678 **Fig.2. a)** Principal Coordinate Analysis (PcoA) of 192 cultivated and 38 wild enset samples
679 which are selected (141) and not selected (89) for GBS analysis. **b)** Principal Component
680 Analysis (PCA) of 120 cultivated and 21 wild of enset accessions collected six top enset
681 producing regions of Ethiopia, using GBS-based genome-wide SNPs 5169 SNP markers

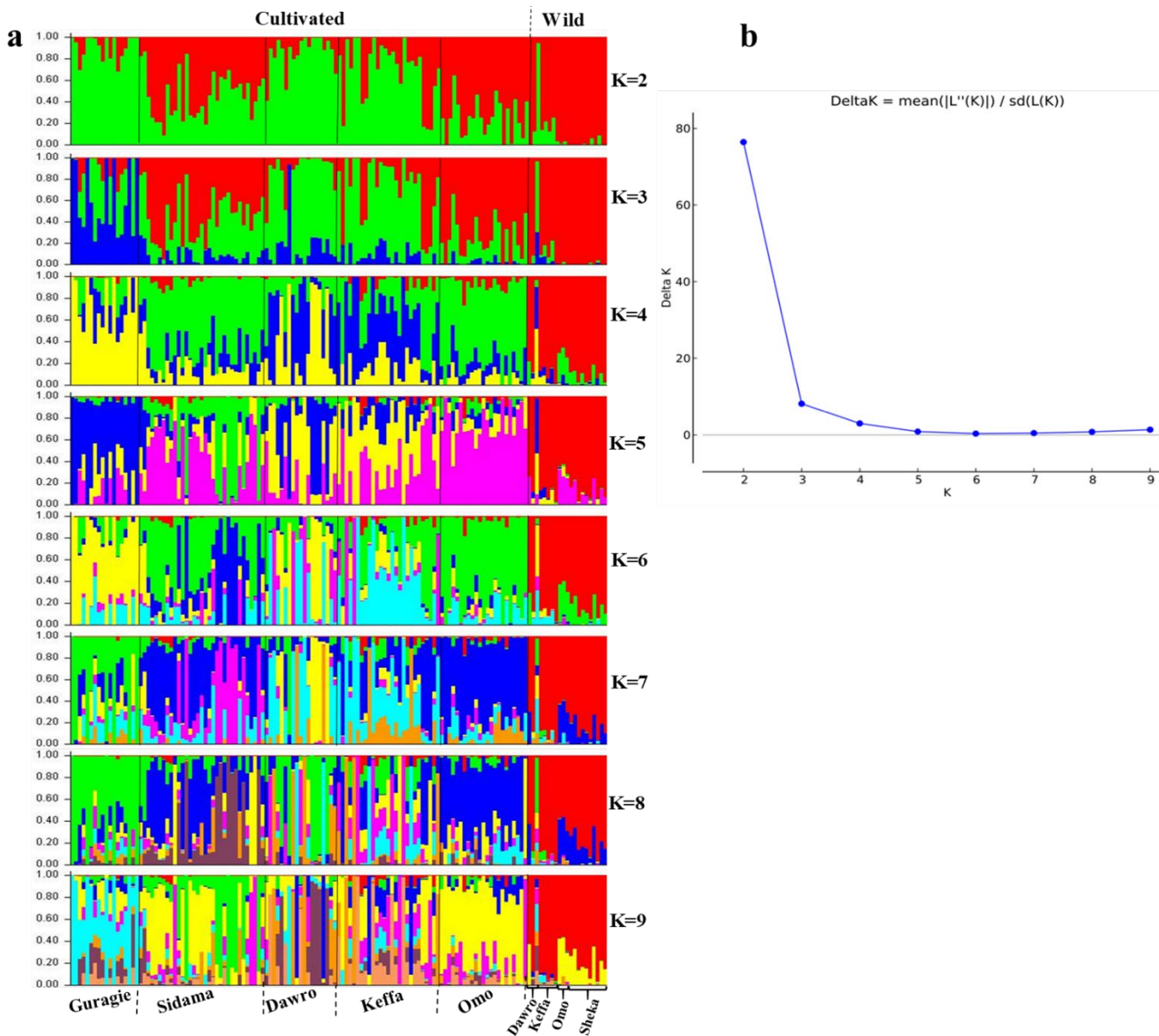
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684 **Fig.3.** UPGMA phylogenetic tree of 120 cultivated (blue clades) and 21 wild (red clades) of
685 enset accessions using GBS-based genome-wide SNPs 5169 SNP markers.
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688 **Fig.4.** Genetic structure of 141 enset accessions using 5169 genome-wide SNP markers a)
689 Population genetic structure using Discriminant Analysis of Principal Components (DAPC).
690 b) GenGIS plot for the three clusters plotted with phylogenetic tree combined with the
691 corresponding regions of collection. Samples were collected from different regions, regions
692 with both domestic and wild, only domestic and only wild enset accessions.



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694 **Fig.5.** a) Estimated population structure of 141 cultivated and wild enset accessions analysed
695 using the software STRUCTURE. Each accession is represented with vertical line, which is
696 partitioned into coloured segments which represent the estimated membership fraction in the
697 K clusters b) Evanno plot of ΔK calculated from K ranging from 2 to 9 (each K repeated
698 10 times) analysed using Structure-Harvester (Evanno *et al.*, 2005).

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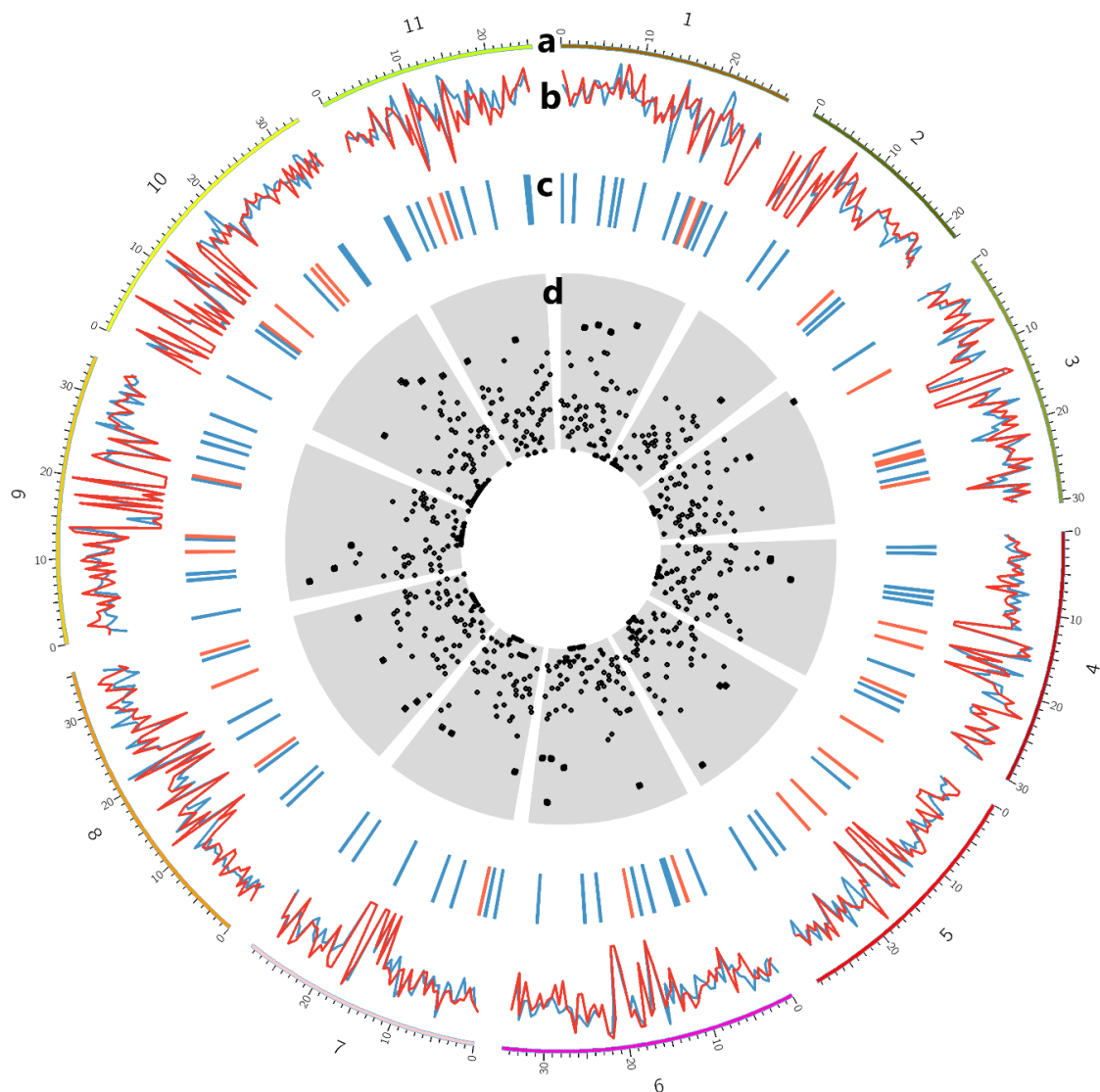
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708 **Fig.6.** Summary of genetic diversity and genetic differentiation of cultivated and wild enset
709 accessions measured within 500kb sliding window drawn using circos plot. **a)** The 11
710 Chromosomes (Mb) portrayed along the perimeter of each circle, **b)** Genetic diversity of
711 cultivated (blue) and wild (red) enset accessions, genetic diversity for each sliding window was
712 calculated nucleotide diversity divided by number of markers. **c)** F_{st} less than 0.02 (red) and
713 greater than 0.2 (blue), **d)** total count of SNP markers per window, dots near the centre
714 represent a low number of SNPs and the dots further out represent high numbers of SNPs.

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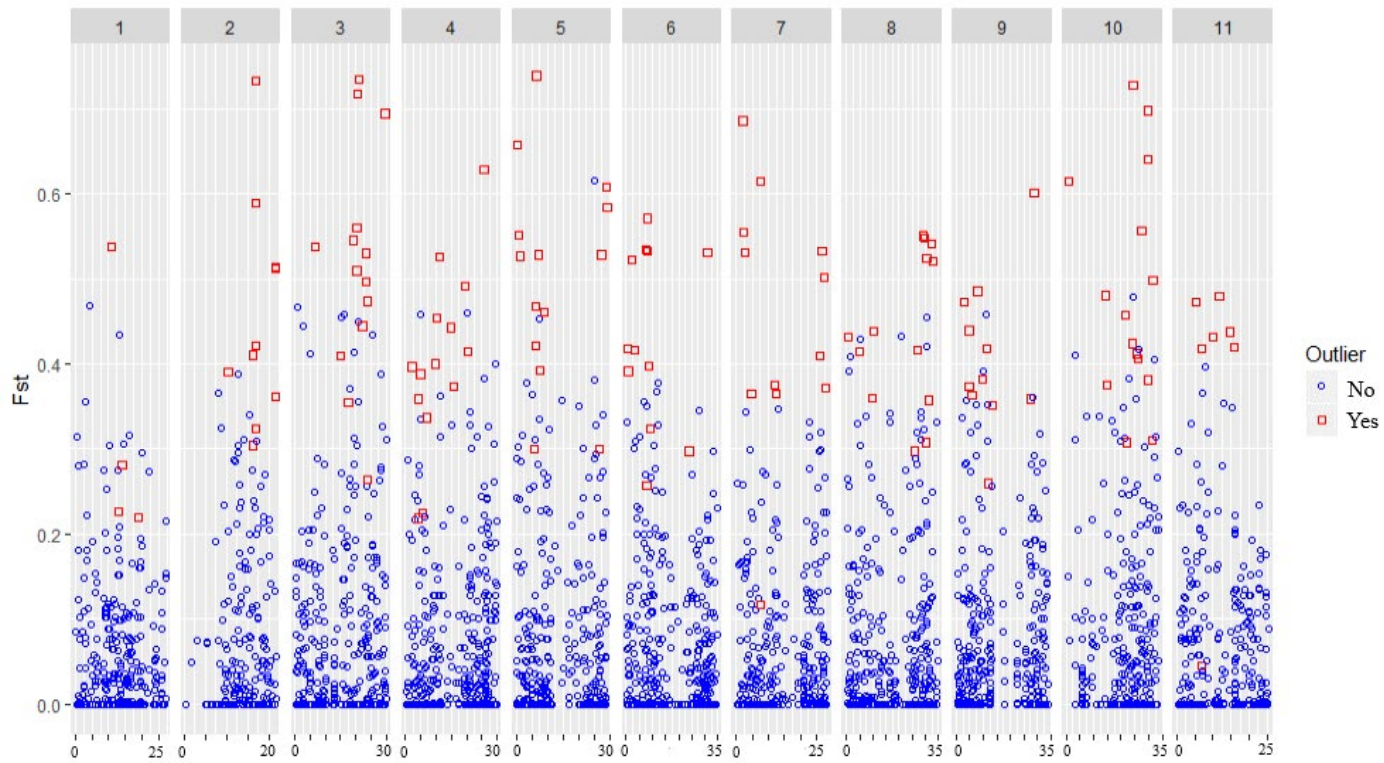
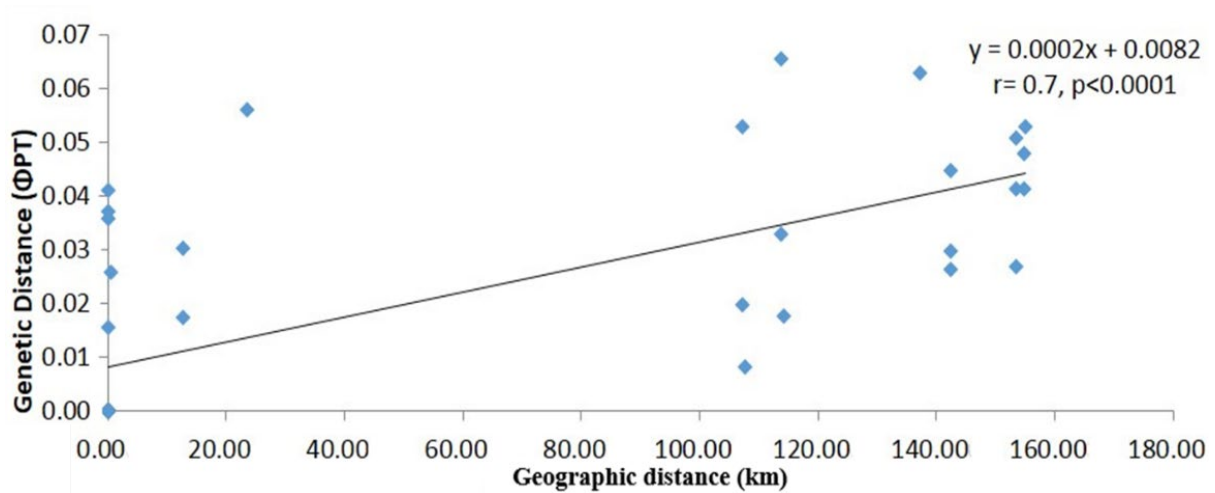


Fig.7. F_{st} values of 5169 SNP loci, displayed according to their genomic positions within 5 Mb intervals on the 11 chromosomes.



Supplementary Fig.1 Mantel test to estimate correlation between genetic (Φ_{PT}) measured using AFLP markers and geographic distance (Km) of cultivated and wild enset samples, including the regression formula, accuracy (r) and significance test (P).

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