

BLACK CURRANT BREEDING IN UKRAINE – RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS AND NEW DEMANDS

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Structure of small fruit crop plantations in Ukraine*



Climatic zones and BC breeding in Ukraine



Ribes breeding at Institute of Horticulture NAAS

preeding at IH NAAS from 1971

irst release – 2 main varieties simultaneously (1987), **aniuta** are most popular

16 main varieties for over 40 years

5 varieties are successful commercially - now they account for 80% UA production, there are some plantings in EU



mportant features – high agronomic performance, resistance to fungal diseases, ruit quality for both processing and fresh market



Ribes breeding at IH NAAS – more varieties produced

- 1992 6 main varieties, Chereshneva is most popular
- 1994 7 main varieties, Wernisazh is most popular
- 1997 10 main varieties, Sofiivska is most popular
- 2001 13 main varieties, Yuvileyna Kopania is most popular
- 2006 14 main varieties, Yuvileyna Kopania is most popular
- 2011 16 main varieties, **Yuvileyna Kopania** still most popular (cover up to 25% of plantings)
- 2015 16 main varieties, new popular cv Oriana



Ribes breeding at other Research Centers of Ukraine



- eeding at IP NAAS from 1930s rmer "Mliiv Fruit Growing ation")
- st release **Cherkashchanka**, **nnat** (beginning of 1950s)
- main varieties for over 80 years
- varieties are relatively iccessful commercially – unost, Pamyat Pravyka, Musa now they account for 2% UA oduction, no plantings abroad

Institute of Agriculture of Carpathian region NAAS

- Breeding at IACR NAAS from 1961 (former "Lviv Research Horticultural Station")
- First release Hutsulka, Novost
 Prikarpatia (1974)
- 10 main varieties for over 50 years
- 4 varieties are relatively successful commercially – Novost Prikarpatia, Krasa Lvova, Ukrainka, Lybid – now they account for 4-5% UA production, no information about plantings abroad

National University of Life and Environmental Science of Ukraine

- Breeding at NULES from 198 (former "Ukrainian Agricultur Academy")
- First release Poltava-800 (1980s)
- 7 varieties for over 30 years
- 1 main variety was relatively successful commercially in 7 90s - Poltava-800. Some ar popular on hobby market – I kyivska (very early cv)

CONVENTIONAL HYBRIDIZATION – still the main method in programs (IH NAAS, 2015):



CONVENTIONAL HYBRIDIZATION – seedlings in glasshouse and on the trial plot (IH NAAS, 2015):



Promotion on "early stage" – familiarize growers and amateurs with ongoing breeding work at IH NAAS:



What new within recent years?

Becoming popular in Ukraine...





Parentage: Yuvileyna Kopania × Ukrainka (Zagadka × Ojebin)

Growth Habit: Semi-spreading habit with good vigour.

Cropping season: Harvests slightly later than Yuvileyna Kopania

ALAKTIKA (Breeder's number 99-19-17) rentage: Sofiivska × Ukrainka (Zagadka × Ojebin) ropping season: Harvests 4-5 days before Yuvileyna Kopania as produced high yields in trials (11,5 t/ha). rowth Habit: Reasonably upright with good vigour. uit Quality: Berries are large (av.1,8 g) with excellent sensory qualities. sease and Pest Resistance: Resistant to mildew and leafspot. Slightly

Itities. Fruit Quality: Berries are large (av.1,9 g). Juice quality is good overall
 Disease and Pest Resistance: Resistant to mildew and leafspot. SI susceptible to gall mite.

DEBYUT (Breeder's number 99-20-18)

produced very high yields in trials (16,4 t/ha).

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POLTAVA 584 ntage: Poltava 800 × Titania ping season: Harvests at the same time as eyna Kopania.

roduced high yields in trials (13,5 t/ha). **th Habit:** Reasonably upright with good vigour. **Quality:** Berries are large (av.1,8 g) and shiny. **se Resistance:** Field resistance to mildew and pot.



SERZH

Parentage: Belorusskaya sladkaya × Zagadka **Cropping season:** Harvests 4 days before Yuvileyna Kopania. Has produced high yields in trials (13 t/ha). **Growth Habit:** Upright with good vigour. **Fruit Quality:** Berries are medium (av.1,3 g) with good firmness.

Disease and Pest Resistance: Field resistance to mildew and leafspot.



PRESTIZH

Parentage: # 46 × Smila

Cropping season: Harvests 5 days before Yuvileyna Kopania. Has produced high yields in trials (14,8 t/ha **Growth Habit:** Upright with good vigour.

Fruit Quality: Berries are large (>2 g) with good se qualities.

Disease and Pest Resistance: Resistant to mildew an slightly susceptible to leafspot.

Actual growers and market demands to new bc varieties

- > superior /stable by years agronomic performance > 12 t/ha
- > suitability to organic / low-input growing exceptional resistance to fungal deceases and some pests
 - growers aspire to reduce their expanses
- > environmental resilience / adaptability extention of bc growing geography
- Iate and very late new varieties extension of harvesting period
- dessert type varieties for fresh consumption extension of sales opportunities
 - large, shiny, attractive berries more important that their dessert taste))





New release - IHK 01-1-9 (Yuvileina-2)

Parentage: Yuvileyna Kopania × 88-14-16 (Pamiaty Vavilova × Titania)

Cropping season: Harvests at the same time with Yuvileyna Kopania (midlate) Has produced very high yields in trials (18 t/ha).

Growth Habit: Reasonably upright with good vigour.

Fruit Quality: Berries are large (av.1,8 g) with good firmness, av. Brix level of 15.4, AcA 180-190 mg/100 g

Disease and Pest Resistance: Exceptional resistance to mildew and leafspot, rust and tolerance to gall mite.

Adaptability: very good (expected)





REAL



New release - IHK 99-20-16 (Yednist)

Parentage: Yuvileyna Kopania × Ukrainka (Zagadka × Ojebin) **Cropping season:** Harvests 6 days before Yuvileyna Kopania (early-mid)

Has produced high yields in trials (14,8 t/ha).

Growth Habit: Semi-spread with good vigour.

Fruit Quality: Berries are medium-large (av.1,6 g) with good taste,

av. Brix level of 14.1, AcA 145 mg/100 g **Disease and Pest Resistance:** Resistant to mildew, slightly susceptible to leafspot and gall mite.

New release – Upiter

Parentage: 1649 × Nadiya
Cropping season: Harvests 4 days later Yuvileyna Kopania (late)
Has produced high yields in trials (17 t/ha).
Growth Habit: Semi-spread with good vigour.
Fruit Quality: Berries are large (av.1,8 g) with good taste, av. Brix level of 14.9, AcA 160 mg/100 g
Disease and Pest Resistance: Resistant to mildew and leafspot



Fresh Market Types by IH NAAS

IHK 03-36-4

- early-mid
- large (2,0 g) and attractive shiny berries
- very pleasant sensory qualities



IHK 06-1-6 (Primana)

- mid-late
- large (1,8 g) berries
- outstanding taste the testiest blackcurrant I ever tried!
- excellent resistance to fungal deceases
- good storage potential



Thank you for attention!



