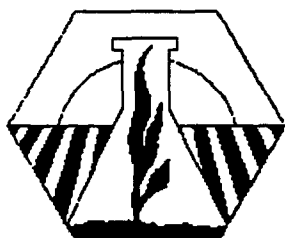


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Towards diversifying the germplasm base available for durum wheat we report here on the production and morpho-cytogenetic categorization of several F1 hybrid combinations between durum wheat cultivars and some tertiary gene pool species. The species combined are *Elymus fibrosus*, *E. virginicus*, *Elytrigia pungens*, *Psathyrostachys juncea*, *P. spicatum*, *Thinopyrum elongatum*, *Th. junceiforme*, *Th. junceum*, *Th. littorale-campestre*, *Th. podperae*, *Th. scirpeum*, *Th. scythicum*, *Th. intermedium* with its four sub-species; *acutum*, *pulcherrimum*, *trichophorum*, and *varnense*. All F1 hybrids are cytologically stable, are perennials and exhibit a co-dominant phenotype. Selected combinations involving *Th. junceiforme* and *Th. elongatum* have been advanced by backcrossing for addressing the scab and salinity stress constraints. Some amphiploids have also been produced and validated cytologically. The utilization potential and current status of the germplasm developed will be presented.

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