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## Abstract

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*Among legumes, the field pea has multiple purpose of fixing atmospheric nitrogen and providing protein. This study was undertaken to identify the phenotypic diversity of field pea (*Pisum sativum* L.) landrace accessions, improved and introduced varieties. It was planted in two locations namely Holeta and Debrezeit agricultural research centers using Randomized Complete Block Design (RCBD) with 3 replications during the 2016-2017 cropping season. Standard morphological measurements and scores were taken and the harvested grains were analyzed for their mineral contents including Iron, Zinc, Calcium, Copper, Potassium, Magnesium, Phosphorus and Selenium. The morphological and mineral content data were analyzed with descriptive and inferential statistics. The genotypes showed morphological diversity as observed in the field trails. The results showed that significant differences exist among samples, within blocks and across locations. Cluster analysis for average performances grouped the genotypes into two different classes where cluster 1 had short maturity period whereas cluster 2 had high grain production and total biomass production even though they are late maturing. In the correlation analysis, days to maturity was highly correlated to total biomass production and grain yield to which breeders draw much attention. All the nine minerals that were analyzed, was there but varied from sample to sample. The amounts of Ca, K, Mg and P were relatively higher in the landraces than in the other samples. It had high Ca, Fe and P compared to lentil and faba bean. There was strong positive correlation between the research sites in Holeta and Debrezeit. Diseases like ascochyta blight and powdery mildew with scales of 1-9 were present. From 77 samples RAYA 1, DEKOKO 41 and DEKOKO 15 were resistant for both diseases. The early genotypes (the DEKOKO varieties) can be used in drought prone areas or in double cropping while those lines shown to be resistant to ascochyta blight and powdery mildew could be taken up in breeding programs.*

Key words: Chemical composition, correlation, cluster, morphological diversity, RCBD, *Pisum sativum*

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## **List of Acronyms**

|        |                                                             |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| EMA    | Ethiopian Metrological Agency                               |
| HARC   | Holeta Agricultural Research Center                         |
| DZARC  | Debrezeit Agricultural Research Center                      |
| ICARDA | International Center for Agricultural Research in Dry Areas |
| ANOVA  | Analysis of Variance                                        |
| PCA    | Principal Component Analysis                                |
| KARC   | Kulumsa Agricultural Research Center                        |
| DAP    | Di-Ammonium Phosphate                                       |
| SAS    | Statistical Analysis Software                               |
| DTE    | Days to Emergence                                           |
| DTF    | Days to 50% Flowering                                       |
| DTM    | Days to 90 % Mature                                         |
| GF     | Grain Filling Period                                        |
| PPP    | Number of Pods per Plant                                    |
| SPP    | Number of Seeds per Pod                                     |
| BPP    | Shoot Biomass per Plant                                     |
| TBPP   | Above ground Total Biomass per Plant                        |
| Ha     | Hectares                                                    |
| Hi     | Harvest Index                                               |
| GPE    | Grain Production Efficiency                                 |
| BPR    | Biomass Production Rate                                     |
| EGR    | Economic Growth Rate                                        |
| WT     | Thousand Seed Weight                                        |
| GYP    | Grain Yield                                                 |

# CHAPTER ONE

## 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1. Background

Field pea is one of the few oldest crops of the world. The first cultivation of the crop took place about 9000 years ago alongside cereals like barley and wheat (Saxesena *et al.*, 2013). It is an annual herbaceous legume adapted to cool moist climate with moderate temperatures found in various regions of Ethiopia (Yasin Goa and Mathewos Ashamo, 2014). The crop is the third legume crop in Ethiopia, headed only by faba bean (*Vicia faba*) and chickpea (*Cicer aritenum*) in terms of both area coverage and total national production (Gemechu Keneni *et al.*, 2013). According to Thulin (1989) and Haddis Yirga *et al.* (2013), there are two botanical varieties of *Pisum sativum* L known to grow in Ethiopia, namely *P. sativum* var *sativum* and *P. sativum* var *abyssinicum*, while much of the production in our country is on *P. sativum* var *sativum*.

Field pea is known to fix more nitrogen than chickpea and lentil but less than faba bean (Gemechu Keneni *et al.*, 2013). The crop has important cultural, ecological and economic advantages in the highlands of Ethiopia. It plays a significant role in soil fertility restoration and also serve as a break crop suitable for rotation to minimize the negative impact of cereal based mono-cropping (Seboka Habtamu and Fikre selassie, 2013). The crop uses can differ from place to place. It is used primarily for making cultural ‘shiro wot’, an Ethiopian stew, which is sometimes served as a main dish to be eaten with “injera” and also as feed, silage and green manure (Westphal, 1974 and Haddis Yirga *et al.*, 2013). The crop is valuable and cheap source of protein having essential amino acids

(arginine, leucine, lysine, aspartic acid and glutamic acid) that have high nutritional values for resource poor households (Holt and Sosulski, 1979). Another key point on field pea is that, it has crude protein, calcium, potassium, magnesium and phosphorus and low fat (Khalil *et al.*, 1988 and Ates, 2012).

From local field pea varieties DEKOKO has significant nutritious value especially in the northern parts of the country. Farmers and consumers call it as the “Dero-Wot of the poor” (chicken stew of the poor) to mention its nutritional value (Haddis Yirga and Dargie Tsegay, 2013).

As said by Amarakoo *et al.* (2012) legume seeds are rich in nutrients like Fe, Zn, Ca, and Mg. Micronutrient malnutrition, which is also known as hidden hunger, can affect more than half of the world’s population, with most being women and preschool children in Asia and Africa. Though the nutrients are there due to anti nutrient property the availability will be low.

In a plant breeding program, estimates of genetic relations among parental lines may be useful for determining which material should be combined in crosses to maximize genetic gain. Low or lack of genetic diversity led to the epidemic, to a plateau in genetic improvements of yield in common bean and obstacle in breeding plans. (Tar’an *et al.*, 2004). However, diverse genetic background among parental lines provides an ample supply of allelic variation that can be used to create new favorable gene combinations. Through this high yielding and resistant to diseases field pea varieties can be selected.

This study particularly focuses on identifying the diversity of the collected *P.sativum* var *sativum* and *P. sativum* var *abyssinicum* and also difference on minerals can be revealed.

Thus, the findings of this study will be significant for identifying and documenting the diversity of the crop, to select resistance among them and help breeders to select one that can help local farmer.

## **1.2. Statement of the Problem, Research Questions, Hypotheses and Objectives**

### **1.2.1 Statement of the Problem**

Field pea is an important source of protein in developing countries, because it is hard to buy and eat animal products in unindustrialized world. The needed of protein and fat content is replaced by the pulse crops and on the other hand it is a major feed in the developed world (Abel Teshome *et al.*, 2014).

Subsistence farmers produce the highest portion of field pea to use as supplementary protein sources and maintain soil fertility. Field pea have value such as good protein source, used as rotation crop, supplement many minerals, green manure and good source of feed specially for beef and poultry production. Although this is true, yield is very low. It is mainly limited by soil fertility as mostly legumes are cultivated in poor soils, often without fertilization in order to restore the soil (Yemane and Skjelvag, 2003). Despite its high nutritional and economic value, DEKOKO is the most neglected pulse crop in the research area. Hence, its productivity is low because of lack of improved varieties, low soil fertility and little or no application of fertilizers. DEKOKO is usually sown without fertilizer and as a result its yield under farmer's condition is often below optimal even though it is nutritious (Engels *et al.*, 1991).

Nevertheless field pea and specially DEKOKO have different importance for humans, there is no documented information about the different accession of DEKOKO and other hybrid



field peas and the mineral difference. Data on phenotypic diversity was found to be rather limited. Therefore, this study will contribute by documenting and assessing the landrace diversity of field pea in Ethiopia central highlands and the mineral analysis among different samples so that the farmers will be benefited and get more improved varieties against disease and yield.

### **1.2.2 Research Questions**

The research has answered the following questions:

- What are the field pea (*P. sativum* L.) landraces found in the central highlands of Ethiopia and which one is the best in the study areas?
- Is there morphological variability between the landraces of field pea collected from central highlands of Ethiopia and other genotypes?
- Is there any difference on the collected samples grown in the two experimental sites?
- How is the resistance ability to ascochyta blight (*Ascochyta pisi*) and powdery mildew (*Erysiphe polygoni*), across the two experimental locations?
- Are their differences in the mineral contents of different samples?

### **1.2.3 Hypotheses**

- There are diverse field pea varieties in central highlands of Ethiopia.
- The field pea samples are morphologically variable.
- Two experimental locations have different result on the trait examined.
- Some samples are resist to diseases like powdery mildew and ascochyta blight.

- Mineral concentration show dissimilarity between samples.

#### 1.2.4 Objectives

##### General objective

- The general objective of this study is to describe and document the phenotypic diversity of field pea (*P. sativum* L.) from various sources.

##### Specific objectives

- To describe the phenotypic diversity of the field pea accessions grown in the central highlands of Ethiopia, some varieties from research centers and Australia based on morphological characters;
- To assess the extent of morphological variation in field pea samples;
- To identify the key traits contributing to the overall diversity of field pea samples;
- To determine mineral content of collected accessions, released and introduced;
- To evaluate disease resistance performance among the collected field pea samples on each sites;

## CHAPTER TWO

### 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

#### 2.1 The Field Pea Crop

Cherinet Alem and Tazebachew Asres (2015) describe legumes as high rank grain for the purpose of fixing atmospheric nitrogen and high protein in world agriculture. Pulse crops production in Ethiopia is 13.24 % (1,652,844.19 ha) of the total area of production (CSA, 2015). Land covered by Field pea crop is 221,415.67 ha (CSA, 2015). It is the fourth most important staple legume among the highland pulses in rural Ethiopia (Fisseha Negash and Tewodros Mulualem, 2014). To put it differently, the crop is the major food legumes with a valuable and low-cost source of protein for resource poor households (Cherinet Alem and Tazebachew Asres, 2015). The crop is the cheapest source of protein for cash source to many people who live in different parts of the country.

##### 2.1.1 Taxonomy

Field pea is a plant in the Fabaceae (Leguminosae) family and genus *Pisum*. There are three species like *P. fulvum*, *P. abyssinicum* and *P. sativum* (Martin-Sanz *et al.*, 2011). However according to Thulin (1989) flora volume 3, the species have two varieties that is distributed from Mediterranean region to West Asia. Namely they are *P. sativum* var *sativum* and *P. sativum* var *abyssinicum*.

##### 2.1.2 Botanical Description

Based on Daisy (1979) field pea is an annual plant that is climbing and herbaceous. It shows variation form and habit. The stems ranges from dwarf, medium and tall which

are 15-90 cm, 90-150 cm and 150-300 cm respectively. Stems angular-terete, slender, with no or few basal branches; internodes hollow and sometimes purple at base.

Leaves are alternate and pinnately compound. The leaflets are ovate, entire, 1.5 – 6 cm long and 1-4cm broad. Leaflets opposite or sub-opposite, short-petioluled, ovate or obovate, sometimes more or less rhomboid and asymmetrical. Leaflets are essentially sessile. The stipules are large, up to 10cm long (usually 1.5-8 cm), on round, slender, and glabrous stems. The midrib of the leaf rachis can be slightly winged. This plant climbs using the tendrils produced at the apex of a compound leaf. These modified terminal leaflets form a branched tendril (Westphal, 1974).

The inflorescence is axillary, solitary, or in 2-3 flowering racemes. The flower are large, butterfly like, usually white but may also be pink or purple and mostly the flowers are self-pollinated. Flowers have 5 sepals, 5 zygomorphic petals (bilaterally symmetrical), 10 stamens in two groups (9 fused + 1 free) and a single superior carpel. The standard petal is obovate, 1.6-3cm long and the glabrous ovary is nearly sessile (Daisy, 1979).

Pod is oblong. The color of the pod may vary from yellowish-green to dark- green. Seeds are smooth or slightly wrinkled, 6-8 mm in diameter, white with an orange tinge, green, orange-brown to brown, dark violet, green or brown with violet spots, or with mosaic pattern. Hilum small, elliptic, light colored, sometimes black. Cotyledons light yellow (Westphal, 1974). Nevertheless DEKOKO differ markedly from field pea. It has leaves with on pair of leaflet and reddish-purple flower and sweeter seeds with black hilum (Daisy, 1979).

Of course peas mature in 3-5 months, but DEKOKO need only 3-4 months and yield between 500 and 1500 kg/ha. DEKOKO is capable of producing seed yield of up to 1.95 t/ha under phosphorus fertilization and is known for its high market price (Haddis Yirga *et al.*, 2013).

## **2.2. Origin, Geographic Distribution**

As described in Gixhari *et al.* (2014) the existence of pea back to 9000- 10,000 B.C in Near East and Central Asia. It is one of the world's oldest domesticated crops. Pea and other grain legumes with cereals were important nutritional source of early civilizations in Middle East and Mediterranean. Vavilov suggested four centers of origin for field pea, based on genetic diversity. They are Central Asia, the near East, Abyssinia (Ethiopia) and the Mediterranean.

DEKOKO or Abyssinian pea found in Northern part of Ethiopia (South Tigray and North Wollo) and Southern Yemen (Westphal, 1974). Abyssinian pea is also found along the road to Asella. *P. sativum* var *abyssinicum* is the one that is mostly cultivated in the northern parts is locally known as DEKOKO (minute seeded) and Yagere Ater (pea of my country) or Tinishu Ater (the smallest pea) in Amharic (Westphal, 1974 and Haddis Yirga *et al.*, 2013).

## **2.3 Use and Economic Importance of Field Pea**

Field pea have different importance across the world and in Ethiopia. Other than the value of getting cash for the farmer and foreign currency for the country, it has essential amino acid and nutritious value for poor farmers. Protein concentration of field peas range from 9.7 to 15.53 % (Benti, 2014). Based on Harmankaya *et al.* (2010) the crop

also contains nutrients such as Mg (Magnesium), K (potassium), P (phosphorus), S (sulfur) and Ca (calcium).

In certain part of the world young leaves and fresh green seeds are cooked and eaten as a vegetable (Westphal, 1974). The green pod is fairly sweet and edible. Mostly in Ethiopia, pea is usually finely ground to make ‘shero wot’ and ‘kek wot’. Canned peas is also consumed in large number of population (Westphal, 1974).

Field pea is used for the crop rotation purpose in order to increase the nitrogen concentration for the soil by fixing nitrogen, to break pest cycle, by providing a moisture for the next crop and due to short growing period (Beck *et al.*, 2015).

Anderson and Ilse (2011) said that field peas are very palatable and digestible for animals. It is sources for energy and protein in livestock production. Now a days peas have been used in production of feed for aquaculture.

In particular, DEKOKO has high nutritional value. The dry seeds are decorticated and split before boiling. Sometimes they are boiled without decortications and consumed as soup (Haddis Yirga and Dargie Tsegay, 2013).

#### **2.4. Field pea breeding in Ethiopia**

Field pea breeding in Ethiopia started since 1960’s by having aim on enhancing productivity through generation of productive and tolerant cultivars under different agro-ecologies of the country (Tamene *et al.*, 2013). The struggle continued and varieties have been suggested for cultivation in different environmental areas. Presently the productivity improving actions are in progress (Teshome Legese, 2011).

Research institutes like Holleta Agricultural Research Center, Kulumsa Agricultural Research Center and Sinnana Agricultural Research Center are doing their best to find

suitable varieties for the country. Varieties like MOHANDERFER, G22 763-2C, GUME, TEGEGNECH, WOLMERA, HASSABE, ADI, ADET-1, SEFINESH, HOLETA, BIRKITU, BILALO, AGRIT, LATU, WEYITU, DADIMOS, TULLUSHENEN, URJI and MILKIY were released in the meantime (Tadele Tadesse and Edosa Fikru (2009), Mulusew Fikere *et al.*(2010), Cherinet Alem and Tazebachew Asres (2015) and Awol Mohammed *et al.* (2016)).

On the other hand, semi-leafless pea are a mutant gene that converts normal leaflets to tendrils. These increase inter-plant binding and mutual support so that erect plant stands are produced, reducing lodging and harvesting problems. The semi-leafless type has yielded well in evaluation trials, particularly under dry land conditions where its yields have been significantly better than conventional cultivars. They are important for using limited water supplies more efficiently than conventional peas (Wilson *et al.*, 1981).

## **2.5. Genetic variability and diversity in field pea**

According to Westphal (1974) and Gemechu Keneni *et al.* (2005) field pea (*P. sativum* L.) is assumed native in south-western Asia and cultivated from Mediterranean to the Central Asia as well as in the highlands of Ethiopia.

Genetic diversity is mandatory in order to produce better cultivars and sustain food security. A large genetic diversity has been found in *P. sativum* collections from both Africa (e.g. Ethiopia) and Asia. High to medium field pea genetic diversity in Ethiopia was observed in collections from Shoa, Gojam, Gondar, Wollo, and Tigray, while low to trace genetic diversity was observed in collections from Arsi, Gamo-gofa, Wellega, Illubabur and Kafa (Haddis Yirga *et al.*, 2013). Landraces have valuable adaptive genes to different circumstances (Gemechu Keneni *et al.*, 2005). In addition, continual self-

pollination and increasing homozygosity of pea varieties may also have contributed to a loss of genetic integrity (Ahmad *et al.*, 2012).

## **2.6. Genetic progress from breeding in field pea**

In general different activities has been done in pea breeding. As Burstin (2009) said, researches are making ways to improve yield, defend against weed and disease infestation, enhancing seed quality and size and increase nodulation of pea root with wanted bacteria.

In Ethiopia, the yield of field pea incurred by many problems such as disease, insect pests, frost, poor cultivars and poor management practices. Even though there is diverse agro-ecological conditions, field pea productivity is in its point without changing (Cherinet Alem and Tazebachew Asres, 2015).

Researchers are doing eagerly however, farmers are also a barrier for production. They sow field pea without enough ploughing and adding of fertilizer. The assumption is mostly legumes can fertilize the soil and they don't give it much attention. The crop will decrease the yield due to low level of phosphorus (Fisseha Negash and Tewodros Mulualem, 2014).

## **2.7 Nutrition value of field pea:**

Although pea is rich in mineral elements, it also has anti-nutrient properties which determine the dietary bioavailability of nutrients. They decrease the accessibility of major minerals, particularly of Ca Fe and Zn. one is phytates (inositol hexaphosphate) which form complexes with iron and zinc may cause deficiency of elements in human diet. They are synthesized during seeds maturation and constitute from 60 to 90% of total



phosphorus. Even if they cause phosphorus accumulation in plant tissues, they also reduce risk of ischaemic heart disease, atherosclerosis and diabetes development as well as show antioxidative properties (Amarakoo *et al.*, 2012) and (Wozniak *et al.*, 2014).

Nowadays nutrient malnutrition is worldwide health problem. Specifically Fe, Zn, Mg, Ca and K are the most prevalent one (Thavarajah *et al.*, 2016). To solve hidden hunger nutritionists form biofortification. It is a process that increase the nutritional quality of foods through traditional plant breeding and modern biotechnology (Amarakoo *et al.*, 2012). It can minimize micronutrient malnutrition through supplementation and food fortification, to increase human micronutrient intake through diet (Thavarajah *et al.*, 2009). Thermal treatment, fermentation and processing food after germination mostly for lentils and pea can diminish the activity of anti-nutrients as well as detoxify it (Bora, 2014).

Even if anti-nutritional factors have problem like blocking the absorption of nutrients or act as toxins, they have useful values such as promoting beneficial bacteria in gastrointestinal track.

On the words of (Kumar, (2011) and Jacquie, (2015)) some anti –nutrients in legumes are:

**Tannins** are phenolic compounds of high molecular weight. They are responsible for the astringent taste of some leaves, fruits, and wines and found in plant leaves, bark, fruit, wood, and roots. They have been closely linked with plant defense mechanisms against ruminant animals, birds, and insects. They act as anti-nutritional factors when included in the diet of animals. Digestive proteins can bind with dietary tannins, making the

proteins unavailable to the animal. Diets high in tannin content have been found to reduce growth rate of animals.

**Protease** inhibitors are small protein molecules that have the ability to interfere with the action of the proteolytic enzymes involved in breaking down protein into amino acid components. The typical animal response to an intake of protease inhibitors is to increase enzyme secretions, which results in increased size of the pancreas.

**Phytate** is the principal storage form of phosphorus in many plant tissues. Phytate has been shown to block the absorption of not only phosphorus but also other minerals, particularly calcium, magnesium, iron, and zinc. Animals do not produce the enzyme phytase needed to break down phytate. As a result, diets with high levels of phytate have reduced nutrient availability. Phytate is found in many grains and legumes. The level of phytate will depend on the feedstuff and the conditions under which it was grown. Cooler temperatures during the growing season produces lentils with a reduced phytate content. But now a days Breeders are also looking to produce low-phytate grains and phytase, which can help breakdown of phytate

**Lectins** are proteins that have the unique property of binding carbohydrate-containing molecules which cause the agglutination of red blood cells. Agglutination causes the atrophy of the microvilli, reduces the viability of the epithelial cells, and increases the weight of the small intestine caused by hyperplasia of crypt cells. Moist heat treatment will destroy much of the lectin present in grain legumes. Lectins, however, are quite resistant to inactivation by dry heat treatment.

**Cyanogens** can be hydrolysed by enzymes to release HCN which is volatile gas. Damage to the plant results in the enzymes and glycoside coming together and producing HCN. The hydrolytic reaction can take place in the rumen by microbial activity. As a result ruminants are more susceptible to HCN toxicity than non-ruminants. The HCN absorbed detoxified in the liver by the enzyme rhodanese which converts HCN to thiocyanate. Excess cyanide ion inhibits the cytochrome oxidase that can stop ATP formation, tissues suffer for energy deprivation and death follows rapidly.

## **2.8 Diseases in field pea:**

As stated in Zaumeyek (1962), Hagedorn (1991) and Seid (2015) peas are subject to a number of diseases, several of which may cause serious injury or loss. Annual losses from diseases vary from year to year, depending often on local weather conditions. Major diseases of pea include *Ascochyta* blight, *Fusarium* wilt, downy mildew, rust and powdery mildew. The fungi and bacteria causing diseases of peas may be carried one plant to other plant by insects, infected seed, drainage water, refuse and stable manure, farm animals and implements, and wind .

### ***Ascochyta* diseases:**

There are three types of *ascochyta* diseases namely *Mycosphaerella blight*, *ascochyta* foot rot and *ascochyta* leaf and pod.

***Ascochyta* foot rot:** small purple to blue black lesion up to 1cm in length along the stem. It is apparent on the lowest leaves and stipules and on the lowest stem and upper root. These lesion run together, girdling the stem and give it blue black look. The causal organisms are carried by the seed and infect the seedlings when they emerge. Rains after

germination splash the spores to surrounding plants, and eventually many of the plants in a field may become infected.

**Powdery mildew:**

The disease is caused by a fungus parasite (*Erysiphe pisi*), which is characterized by the formation of a white, powdery, dust like coating on the surface of the leaves and less frequently on the petioles of the leaves, stems, and pods. The leaves are yellowed, dwarfed, and sometimes considerably malformed. The first symptom occurs on the upper foliage. The absence of rain and presence even slight dew favor disease development. Rain can control the disease by washing away off spores.

## **CHAPTER THREE**

### **3. MATERIAL AND METHODS**

#### **3.1 Description of study Area**

The field trial was done at Debrezeit agricultural research center (DZARC) and Holeta agricultural research center (HARC) in the station research site. DZARC is located 47 Km to east and HARC 38Km to west direction away from Addis Ababa .HARC and DZARC are centers in Oromia region, working under Ethiopian Agricultural Research Institute.

The geographic location of DZARC is 38° 58' E longitude and 8° 44' N latitude with an elevation of 1900 meter above sea level. The HARC is situated in 38° 30'E longitude and 09° 00' N latitude with elevation of 2400 meter above sea level. The temperature of DZARC range from 8.6°C to 29.2° C and its sum annual rain fall is 939mm. The temperature of HARC range from 2°C to 25°C with sum annual rain fall 1143mm (EMA, 2017). The climadiagrams of the two experimental sites are shown with minimum and maximum temperature and monthly rainfall in Figure 1.

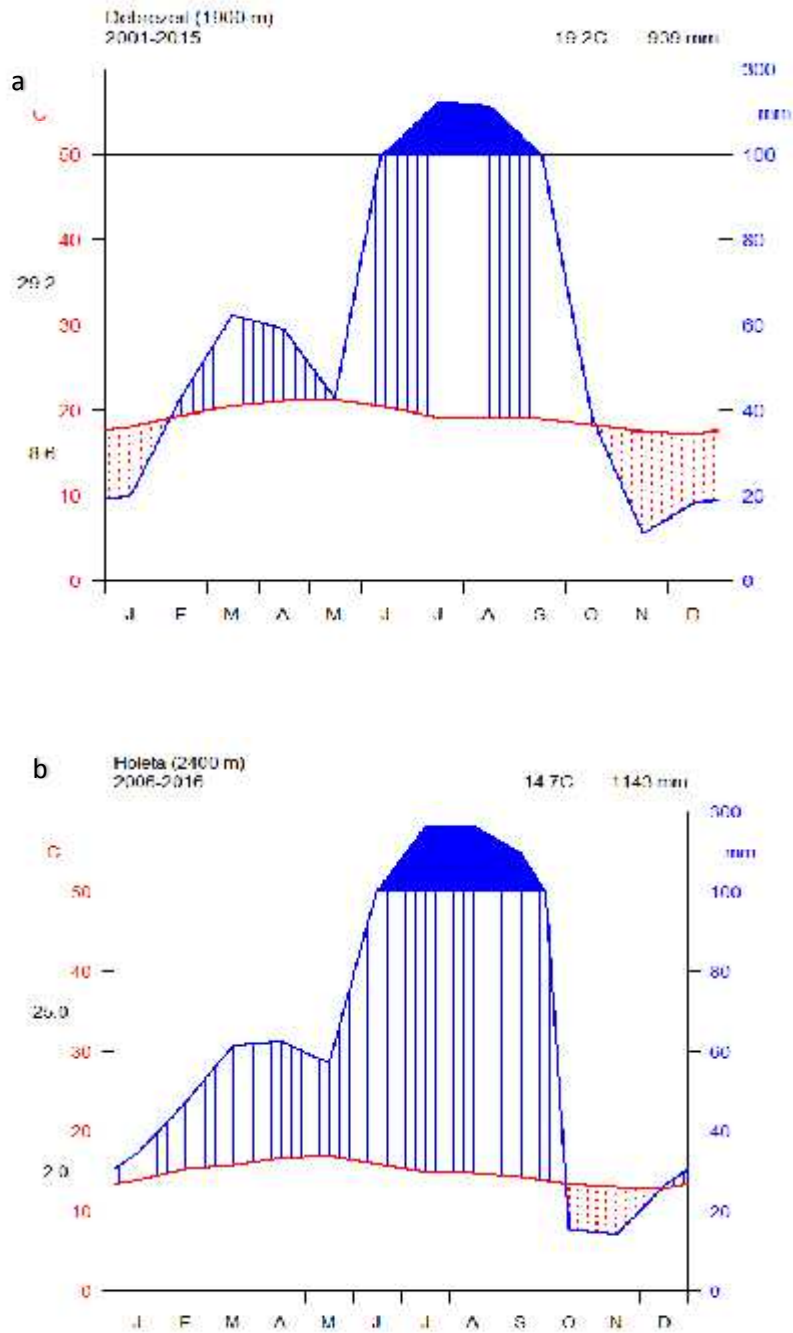


Figure 1. Climadiagram of the study area at Debrezeit Agricultural Research Center (a) and Holeta Agricultural Research Center (b) (Data source EMA)

### 3.2 Experimental materials

Seventy seven materials had been used for evaluation over the two location during 2016/17growing season. The description of the cultivars is given in table 1. In general, 43 landrace accessions were from Kulumsa Agricultural Research Center (KARC) which was collected from northern Ethiopia (North Wollo and South Tigray) (Figure 2). From International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) 18 varieties was used and from Holeta Agricultural Research Center (HARC) 16 varieties was used.

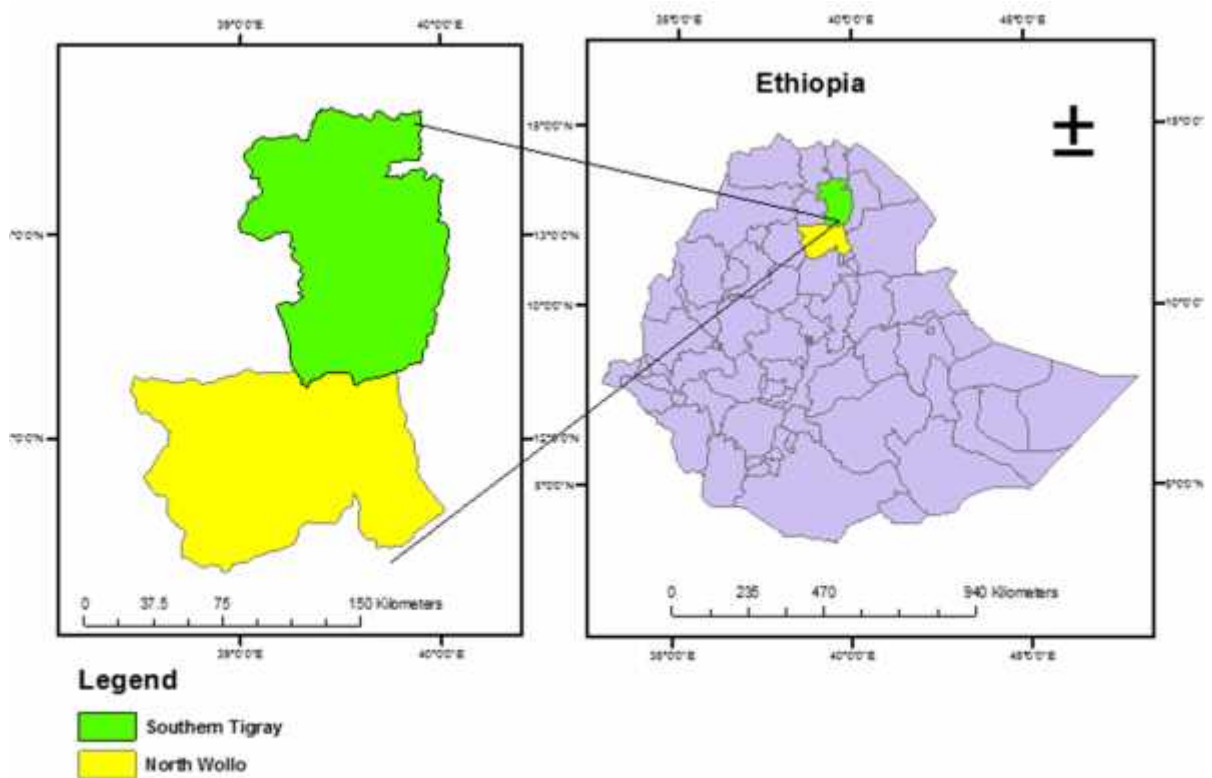


Figure 2 Map showing the two location where the samples were collected

Table 1. List of field pea samples used in the study

| No | Sample Name | Accessions name or pedigree | Maintaining center | Origin                |
|----|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1  | GUME        | TEGEGNECH X PSI210713       | HARC               | Holeta                |
| 2  | DEKOKO 26   | Tkcoll-5/07                 | KARC               | South Tigray, Askiti  |
| 3  | P313-010    | P313-010                    | ICARDA             | Australia             |
| 4  | Ek08023-1   | EK08023-1                   | HARC               | Holeta                |
| 5  | DEKOKO 9    | Mcoll-9/07                  | KARC               | North Wollo           |
| 6  | DEKOKO 7    | Mcoll-7/07                  | KARC               | North Wollo, Dikowuha |
| 7  | P313-027    | P313-027                    | ICARDA             | Australia             |
| 8  | DEKOKO 40   | Mcoll-6/07                  | KARC               | South Tigray, Mekan   |
| 9  | DEKOKO 31   | Tkcoll-10/07                | KARC               | South Tigray, Kidana  |
| 10 | DEKOKO 2    | Mcoll-2/07                  | KARC               | North Wollo, Melatera |
| 11 | ADI         | G22763-2C x 305PS210813-2   | HARC               | Holeta                |
| 12 | WOLMERA     | FpEx Dz X 305PS210822-1     | HARC               | Holeta                |
| 13 | MILKIY      | NEP634 x 180-1              | HARC               | Holeta                |
| 14 | DEKOKO 30   | Tkcoll-9/07                 | KARC               | South Tigray, Kidana  |
| 15 | MOHANDERFER | Not known                   | HARC               | India                 |
| 16 | P313-082    | P313-082                    | ICARDA             | Australia             |
| 17 | DEKOKO 8    | Mcoll-8/07                  | KARC               | North Wollo, Dikowuha |
| 18 | P313-067    | P313-067                    | ICARDA             | Australia             |
| 19 | LATU        | Not known                   | HARC               | Holeta                |



|    |            |              |        |                             |
|----|------------|--------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| 20 | DEKOKO 34  | Tkcoll-13/07 | KARC   | South Tigray, Kidana        |
| 21 | DEKOKO 25  | Tkcoll-4/07  | KARC   | South Tigray, Tekulesh      |
| 22 | DEKOKO 4   | Mcoll-4/07   | KARC   | North Wollo                 |
| 23 | P313-086   | P313-086     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 24 | G22 763-2c | G22 763-2C   | HARC   | Holeta                      |
| 25 | DEKOKO 5   | Mcoll-5/07   | KARC   | North Wollo                 |
| 26 | DEKOKO 13  | Awcoll-2/07  | KARC   | South Tigray                |
| 27 | P313-090   | P313-090     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 28 | BURSA      | Not known    | HARC   | Holeta                      |
| 29 | DEKOKO 14  | Awcoll-3/07  | KARC   | South Tigray,<br>Luchuberet |
| 30 | RAYA 1     | Not Known    | KARC   | Alamata                     |
| 31 | MARKOS     | DMR-4        | HARC   | Holeta                      |
| 32 | MEGERI     | Not known    | HARC   | Holeta                      |
| 33 | DEKOKO 41  | Mc coll-7/07 | KARC   | South Tigray, Ajira         |
| 34 | DEKOKO 6   | Mcoll-6/07   | KARC   | North Wollo                 |
| 35 | DEKOKO 19  | Kcoll-4/07   | KARC   | North Wollo                 |
| 36 | DEKOKO 21  | Kcoll-6/07   | KARC   | North Wollo                 |
| 37 | DEKOKO 18  | Kcoll-3/07   | KARC   | North Wollo, Tekulsh        |
| 38 | P313-068   | P313-068     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 39 | TEGENECH   | Not known    | HARC   | Burundi                     |
| 40 | DEKOKO 3   | Mcoll-3/07   | KARC   | North Wollo, Melatera       |

|    |           |                 |        |                                |
|----|-----------|-----------------|--------|--------------------------------|
| 41 | DEKOKO 43 | KR coll-2/07    | KARC   | North Wollo                    |
| 42 | HOLETA    | Holeta Local-90 | HARC   | Holeta                         |
| 43 | DEKOKO 42 | KR coll-1/07    | KARC   | North Wollo                    |
| 44 | RAYA 2    | Not known       | KARC   | Alamata                        |
| 45 | DEKOKO 36 | Mc coll-2/07    | KARC   | South Tigray,<br>Endamihoni    |
| 46 | P313-045  | P313-045        | ICARDA | Australia                      |
| 47 | DEKOKO 12 | Awcoll-1/07     | KARC   | South Tigray, Jemedo<br>mariam |
| 48 | P313-070  | P313-070        | ICARDA | Australia                      |
| 49 | DEKOKO 23 | Tkcoll-2/07     | KARC   | South Tigray, wanberet         |
| 50 | DEKOKO 11 | Wcoll-1/07      | KARC   | South Tigray                   |
| 51 | P313-071  | P313-071        | ICARDA | Australia                      |
| 52 | DEKOKO 15 | Awcoll-4/07     | KARC   | South Tigray, Jemedo<br>mariam |
| 53 | DEKOKO 24 | Tkcoll-3/07     | KARC   | South Tigray, Kidana           |
| 54 | DEKOKO 16 | Kcoll-1/07      | KARC   | North Wollo, Herbat            |
| 55 | DEKOKO 33 | Tkcoll-12/07    | KARC   | South Tigray, Daguyat          |
| 56 | BILALOL   | Not known       | HARC   | Holeta                         |
| 57 | DEKOKO 1  | Mcoll-1/07      | KARC   | North Wollo, Melatera          |
| 58 | DEKOKO 27 | Tkcoll-6/07     | KARC   | South Tigray, Kidana           |
| 59 | DEKOKO 22 | Tkcoll-1/07     | KARC   | South Tigray, Kidana           |

|    |           |              |        |                             |
|----|-----------|--------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| 60 | P313-042  | P313-042     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 61 | DEKOKO 29 | Tkcoll-8/07  | KARC   | North Wollo, Kidana         |
| 62 | DEKOKO 10 | Mcoll-10/07  | KARC   | North Wollo, Dikowuha       |
| 63 | DEKOKO 20 | Kcoll-5/07   | KARC   | North Wollo, Lasta          |
| 64 | DEKOKO 17 | Kcoll-2/07   | KARC   | North Wollo, Tekulesh       |
| 65 | P313-053  | P313-053     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 66 | DEKOKO 37 | Mc coll-3/07 | KARC   | South Tigray,<br>Endamihoni |
| 67 | DEKOKO 39 | Mc coll-5/07 | KARC   | South Tigray, Mekan         |
| 68 | BIRKITU   | Not known    | HARC   | Holeta                      |
| 69 | DEKOKO 32 | Tkcoll-11/07 | KARC   | South Tigray, Daguyat       |
| 70 | DEKOKO 35 | Mc coll-1/07 | KARC   | South Tigray Hiziba         |
| 71 | P313-059  | P313-059     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 72 | P313-046  | P313-046     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 73 | P313-003  | P313-003     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 74 | P313-061  | P313-061     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 75 | P313-026  | P313-026     | ICARDA | Australia                   |
| 76 | HASABE    | Not known    | HARC   | Holeta                      |
| 77 | P313-089  | P313-089     | ICARDA | Australia                   |

HARC=Holeta Agricultural Research Center. ICARDA= International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas. KARC= Kulumsa Agricultural Research Center.

### 3.3 Experimental design

The samples used for the study represent DEKOKO (*P. sativum* var *abyssinicum*) and others were released and introduced ATER (*P. sativum* var *sativum*) varieties. The experiment has been conducted using Random Complete Block Design (RCBD) with three replications. The 60 seeds per plot were planted in 3 m<sup>2</sup> area of plot with 3 m row length. The plot had a spacing of 20 cm and 5 cm between rows and plants, respectively (Figure 3, 4 and 5). The samples were assigned randomly to avoid bias. Planting were take place on 30th June, 2016 in Debrezeit and 7th July, 2016 in Holeta.

Band application of DAP (Di-ammonium phosphate) was applied at the rate of 18 kg N and 46 kg P/ha for each area. Weed was controlled by manual weeding as needed. With the intention of controlling insects like (aphids) Danitol was used at the rate of 25 ml per ha<sup>-1</sup>. The disease occurred, for instance ascochyta blight and powdery mildew was scaled up on 1-9 scale (Little and Hills, 1978).



Figure 3. Field in Debrezeit



Figure 4. Field in Holeta



Figure 5. Field visit by Prof. Zemedu in Holeta

### **3.4 Data collection**

Five plants were randomly selected from each row and those plants were used for data analysis (Figure 6).



Figure 6. Selection of Five Plant in Field

Data collected from field across plot was:-

**Days to emergence (DTE):** Number of days from planting to when emerges above the ground.

**Days to 50% flowering (DTF):** Number of days from planting to when 50% of plants in a plot had at least one flower.

**Days to 90 % mature (DTM):** Number of days from planting when 90% of the plot is ready for harvest, foliage color becomes yellowish and on the lower stem start shedding, pods and seeds harden.

**Grain Filling Period (GF):** The number of days from days to 50% flowering to days to 90% physiological maturity.

**Number of pods per plant (PPP):** The average number of pods counted from sample of five plant taken randomly from each plot.

**Number of seeds per pod (SPP):** The average number of seeds per pod counted from five plant taken randomly from each plot.

**Shoot biomass per plant (BPP):** The mean weight of above ground parts sun dried of five plants taken from each plot.

**Above ground total biomass per plant (TBPP):** The mean weight of above ground parts sun dried of five plants taken from each plot plus the mean weight of seed taken from the representatives which is the five plant.

**Harvest index (HI):** ratio of grain yield which is oven dried over total biomass of oven dried.

$$HI = \frac{GY}{(TB/P)}$$

**Grain production efficiency (GPE):** Ratio of grain filling duration and duration of vegetative period (Days to 50% flowering) and multiplied by grain yield.

$$GPE = \frac{GFP}{DTF} * 100$$

**Biomass production rate (BPR):** It is the ratio of above ground total biomass weight divided by days to 90% physiological maturity and then multiplied by 100.

$$BPR = \frac{(TB/P)}{DTM} * 100$$

**Economic growth rate (EGR):** Grain yield divided by grain fill duration and then multiplied by 100.

$$EGR = \frac{GY}{GFP} * 100$$

**Thousand Seed weight (WT):** The weight of thousand seeds taken randomly from the harvested seed lot of each plot.

**Grain yield (GYP):** Weight of seed from the randomly taken five plant and adjusted to its recommended (12%) moisture content.

Ascochyta blight and powdery mildew data were recorded to evaluate disease severity. Based on Little and Hills (1978) 1-9 scale where, 1 stands for immune, 2 for highly resistant, 3 for resistant, 4 for moderately resistant, 5 and 6 for moderately susceptible, 7 for susceptible, 8 and 9 highly susceptible. After the pea was harvested, it was threshed on an open field (Figure 7).





Figure 7. Threshing of harvested field pea

### **3.5 Laboratory analysis**

#### **3.5.1 Drying of samples**

Moisture removed from the grain by putting it in oven on 72<sup>0</sup>c for 24 hours. Weighing the seed sample was carried on both before and after oven.

#### **3.5.2 Mineral analysis**

The samples for the mineral analysis were only from Debrezeit. It was done in USA, South Carolina in Clemson University on collaboration. Chemical standards, reagents and high purity solvents used for mineral digestion, phytic acid extraction and analytical determinations were purchased from Alfa Aesar. Water, distilled and deionized (ddH<sub>2</sub>O) to a resistance of 18.2 M $\Omega$  was used for sample and reagent preparation.

Minerals were determined by inductively coupled argon plasma emission spectroscopy (ICP) using a Thermo 6500 Duo instrument after HNO<sub>3</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> digestion. 500mg freeze dried samples were digested with 6 mL of 70% HNO<sub>3</sub> overnight at room temperature. The digested sample were then heated to 90<sup>0</sup>c for 1hr after which 3 mL of 30% hydrogen per oxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) were added. When the organic matter was digested, the solution was diluted with millipore water to 25 mL. Mineral concentrations were determined by inductively couple plasma emission spectrometry.

The solution detection limit was 5  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  for Mn, Cu, Se, Fe and Zn, 30  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  for K, Ca and Mg, 80  $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  for P. Analytical quality assurance was accomplished using authentic calibration standards.

### **3.5 Data analysis**

Analysis of variance (ANOVA) across location and among the samples used, cluster analysis, dendrogram, principal component analysis (PCA), and correlation were done by SAS software 9.0 version (Evans, 1999).

Before performing the analysis of variance for each trait, normality test was done using PROC UNIVARIATE procedure of SAS computer program. Separate and pooled analyses of variance (ANOVA) were computed to quantify the total variation among samples. Means were separated by Tukey Grouping (Evans, 1999).

## **CHAPTER FOUR**

### **4. RESULTS**

#### **4.1 Phenotypic diversity**

The results of the analyses of variance (ANOVA) for 14 traits of field pea studied on individual locations (Debrezeit & Holeta) and showed significant difference among location and among accessions (Table 2 and 3). For all quantitative characters analysis of variance showed significant difference ( $p < 0.05$ ,  $p < 0.01$  and  $p < 0.001$ ) among locations and samples. Result of all traits was grouped by Tukey (Appendix 2 and 3). The result showed distinction between the Ethiopian DEKOKO, released and introduced samples.

Table 2. ANOVA Results of 14 Quantitative Traits of 77 Accessions Grown At Debrezeit and Holeta, in 2017 G.C

| SO<br>V | Mean squares  |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|---------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|         | DTE           | DTF           | DTM           | GF            | PPP           | SPP           | BPP           | TBPP          | HI            | GPE           | BPR           | EGR           | WT            | GYP           |
| L       | 0.0010<br>*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.0001<br>*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** |
| B       | <.0001<br>*** | 0.2539<br>ns  | 0.0882<br>ns  | 0.301<br>4ns  | 0.0002<br>**  | 0.028*<br>ns  | 0.7903<br>ns  | 0.306ns       | 0.3494<br>ns  | 0.497n<br>s   | 0.392n<br>s   | 0.6749<br>ns  | 0.390n<br>s   | 0.2972<br>ns  |
| S       | <.0001<br>*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.0001<br>*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** | <.000<br>1*** |
| S*      | <.0001        | <.000         | <.000         | <.000         | <.000         | <.000         | <.000         | <.0001        | <.000         | <.000         | <.000         | <.000         | <.000         | <.000         |
| L       | ***           | 1***          | 1***          | 1***          | 1***          | 1***          | 1***          | ***           | 1***          | 1***          | 1***          | 1***          | 1***          | 1***          |

NB: \*=significant at  $\alpha = 0.05$ , \*\* = very significant at  $\alpha=0.01$  probability level, \*\*\*= extremely significant at  $\alpha=0.001$  and ns =Non significant , Source of variation (SOV), Days to emergence (DTE), Days to flowering (DTE), Days to maturity (DTM), Grain filling period (GF), Pod per plant (PPP), Seed per pod (SPP), Biomass per plant (BPP), Total biomass per plant (TBPP), Harvesting index (HI), Growth production efficiency (GPE), Biomass production rate (BPR), Economic growth rate (EGR), Thousand Seed weight (WT), Grain yield per plant (GYP), Location(L), Block(B) and Accession (A).

Table 3 Analyses of variance for 14 traits of 77 field pea varieties in both location.

| Description | Holeta  | Debrezeit |
|-------------|---------|-----------|
| DTE         | 8.26a   | 8.12b     |
| DTF         | 54.53a  | 52.67b    |
| DTM         | 113.10a | 106.65b   |
| GF          | 58.58a  | 53.97b    |
| PPP         | 18.62a  | 7.59b     |
| SPP         | 3.83a   | 3.42b     |
| BPP         | 40.18a  | 32.88b    |
| TBPP        | 65.00a  | 64.10b    |
| HI          | 36.07a  | 25.04b    |
| GPE         | 24.61a  | 19.68b    |
| BPR         | 61.71a  | 55.03b    |
| EGR         | 43.66a  | 28.02b    |

As shown below in table 4, Days to emergence (DTE) mean value ranged from 7-9 days, Days to flowering (DTF) stretched from 42 to 72 days, Grain filling period (GF) from 44-71, Pod per plant (ppp) from 3 to 30 and Seed per pod from 2-6 per plot .Days to maturity (DTM) ranged from 85-134.5( Figure 8).

Table 4 Standard deviation with maximum and minimum value of trait.

| VARIABLE | MEAN   | STD DEV | MINIMUM | MAXIMUM |
|----------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| DTE      | 8.192  | 0.3789  | 7.2     | 9.3     |
| DTF      | 53.57  | 11.49   | 42.5    | 72      |
| DTM      | 109.2  | 20.68   | 85      | 134.5   |
| GF       | 56.26  | 9.5     | 44.5    | 70.9    |
| PPP      | 13.12  | 3       | 8.5     | 26      |
| SPP      | 3.61   | 0.48    | 2.5     | 5       |
| BPP      | 36.33  | 9.99    | 12.1    | 56.7    |
| TBPP     | 64.38  | 18.25   | 39.8    | 102.6   |
| HI       | 30.6   | 6.04    | 16.7    | 45      |
| GPE      | 22.45  | 8.38    | 11.3    | 42.7    |
| BPR      | 58.33  | 7.59    | 43.9    | 77.1    |
| EGR      | 35.29  | 10.67   | 7.8     | 59.4    |
| WT       | 105.35 | 38.69   | 61      | 184.1   |
| GYP5     | 20.9   | 8.92    | 6.4     | 40      |

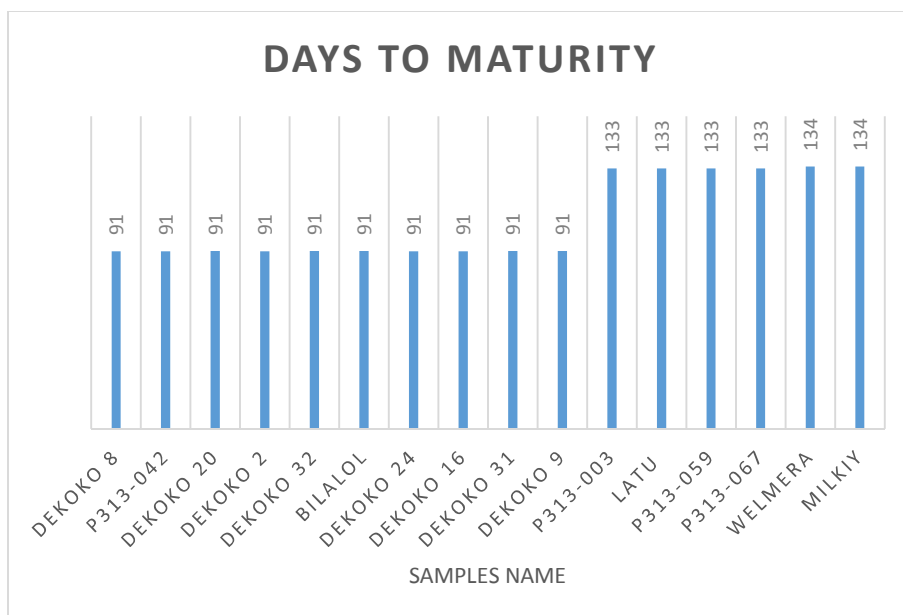


Figure 8. Graph that shows maturity date based on location mean

Grain yield of the evaluated samples location one ranged from 40.7 to 4.66 and in location two from 44.02 to 7.92. Their overall mean value ranged from 40.03 to 6.42 (Figure 9).

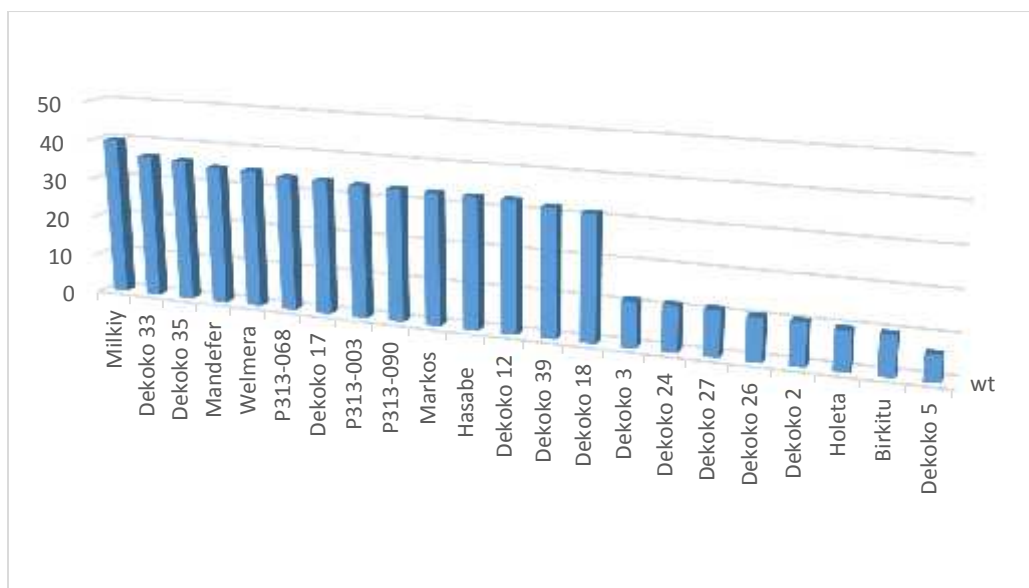




Figure 9. Yield production sequence

Leaves of DEKOKO type peas had alternate, pinnate, with one pair of leaflets, and also tendrils (Figure 10). The edge of the leaf had toothed structure. When compared to the other leaves their size was smaller. The improved ones had alternate, pinnate, and 1-3 pair of leaflets. The edge of the leaf was smooth in structure. Some had more tendrils than leaves throughout.

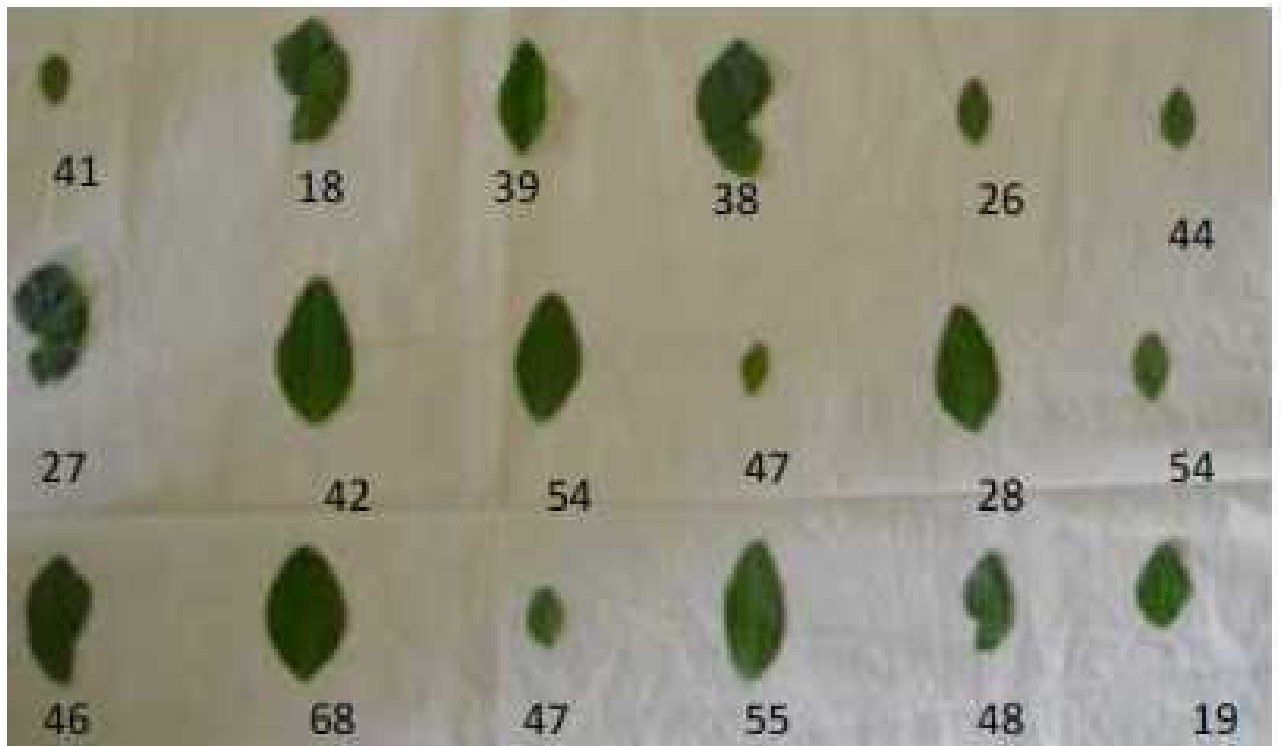


Figure 10. Partial view of leaf samples showing phenotypic diversity in leaf shape and size among the test field pea accessions (for names of the samples refer to table1).

As shown in the below figures by visual observation, it could be concluded that there were dissimilarity on plant ideotype, flower color, seed shape and seed color, leaf shape and size (Figure 11 and 12).

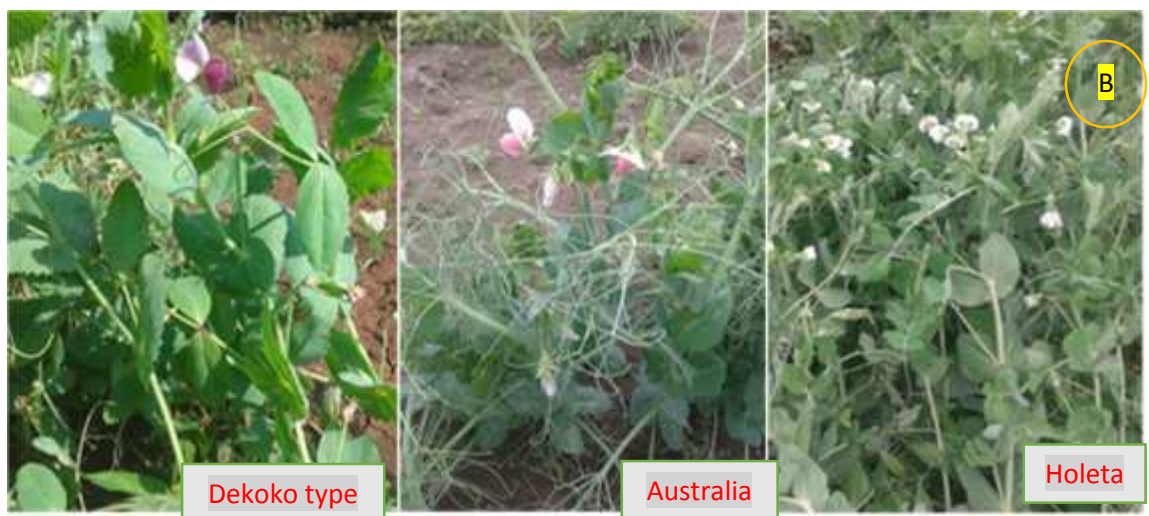
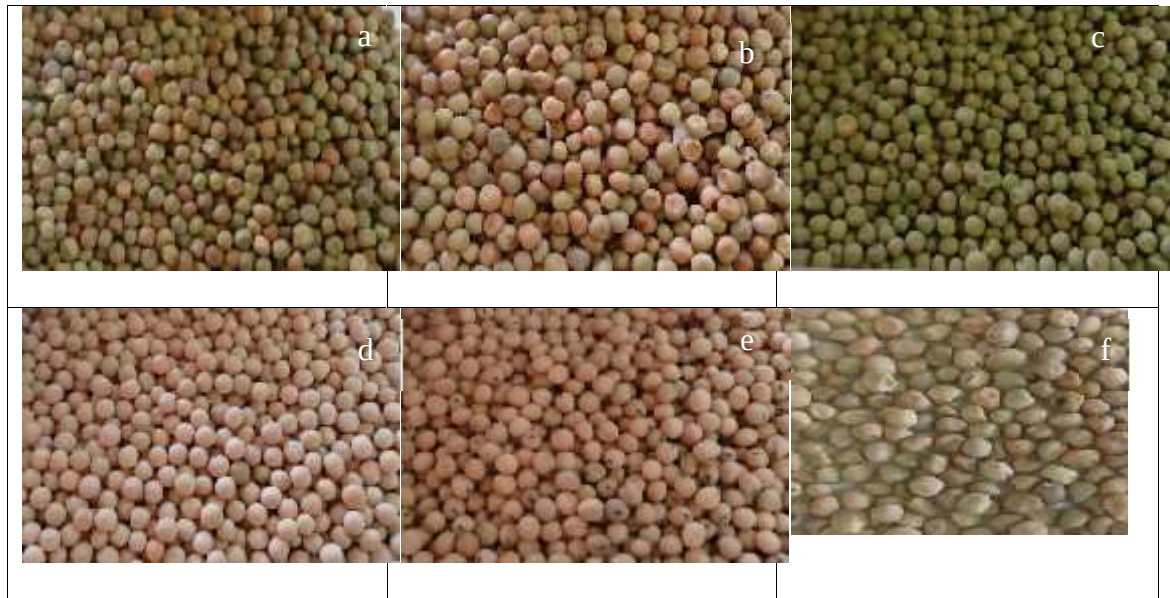


Figure 11. Partial view of flower samples showing phenotypic diversity in (A) flower color and size and (B) plant ideotype among the test field pea samples.



NB A. BURSA B. LATU C. MEGERI D. ADI E. GUME F. DEKOKO.

Figure 12. Showing phenotypic diversity based on seed color and size

## 4.2 Clustering of samples

### 4.2.1 Cluster based on traits

Phenotypic diversity of the 77 tested samples were distinguished in to 2 different groups based on behavior physiological traits (Days to emergence, Days to flowering, Days to maturity, Grain filling period, Pod per plant, Seed per pod, Biomass per plant, Total biomass per plant, Harvesting index, Growth production efficiency, Biomass production rate, Economic growth rate, Thousand Seed weight, Grain yield per plant) as shown in figure 13. Cluster  $C_1$  was 56% from the total materials used and where most of them were landrace. Cluster  $C_2$  was collection of released varieties and semi-leafless types, it

accounted 46%. Across origin most of cluster C<sub>1</sub> was from South Tigray and North Wollo, which were the farmer's varieties (Table 5). Cluster C<sub>2</sub> was group of Holeta and Australia origin except few landraces.

Table 5. Grouping of 77 field pea samples into different diversity classes.

| Cluster        | Number of samples | Name of the samples in the cluster                 | Origin       |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| C <sub>1</sub> | 43                | 2,8,9,14,20,21,26,29,33, 49,52,53, 58, 66, 69      | South Tigray |
|                |                   | 5,6,10,17,22,25, 34,35,36, 40,43, 54, 57, 61,62,63 | North Wollo  |
|                |                   | 46, 48,51, 60, 65, 72                              | Introduced   |
|                |                   | 39, 42,56, 68                                      | Holeta       |
|                |                   | 30,44                                              | Alamata      |
| C <sub>2</sub> | 34                | 1, 4, 11,12,13, 19, 24, 28,31,32, 15, 76           | Holeta       |
|                |                   | 3, 7, 16,18, 23, 27, 38, 71, 73,74,75, 77,         | Introduced   |
|                |                   | 45, 47, 50, 55,59, 67, 70,                         | South Tigray |
|                |                   | 37, 41,64                                          | North Wollo  |

As can be seen on table 6, Cluster C<sub>1</sub> had used short period of time for flowering and to be matured when compared to cluster C<sub>2</sub>. Pod per plant and seed per pod was somehow relatively same. In this case, cluster C<sub>2</sub> plant biomass was higher and larger when it was compared to cluster C<sub>1</sub>. On WT and GYP cluster C<sub>2</sub> was a collection of superior varieties.

Table 6. Cluster mean for fourteen characters in field pea samples.

|      | C <sub>1</sub> | C <sub>2</sub> | Grand Mean |
|------|----------------|----------------|------------|
| DTE  | 8.1            | 8.3            | 8.2        |
| DTF  | 43.5           | 66.3           | 54.9       |
| DTM  | 91.6           | 131.5          | 111.5      |
| GF   | 48.0           | 66.7           | 57.4       |
| PPP  | 12.1           | 14.4           | 13.3       |
| SPP  | 3.8            | 3.4            | 3.6        |
| BPP  | 29.0           | 45.6           | 37.3       |
| TBPP | 49.7           | 83.0           | 66.3       |
| HI   | 26.0           | 36.4           | 31.2       |
| GPE  | 15.9           | 30.7           | 23.3       |
| BPR  | 55.0           | 62.5           | 58.8       |
| EGR  | 27.8           | 44.8           | 36.3       |
| WT   | 73.5           | 145.6          | 109.6      |
| GYP  | 13.6           | 30.1           | 21.9       |

Days to emergence (DTE), Days to flowering (DTE), Days to maturity (DTM), Grain filling period (GF), Pod per plant (PPP), Seed per pod (SPP), Biomass per plant (BPP), Total biomass per plant (TBPP), Harvesting index (HI), Growth production efficiency (GPE), Biomass production rate (BPR), Economic growth rate (EGR), Thousand Seed weight (WT) and Grain yield per plant (GYP).

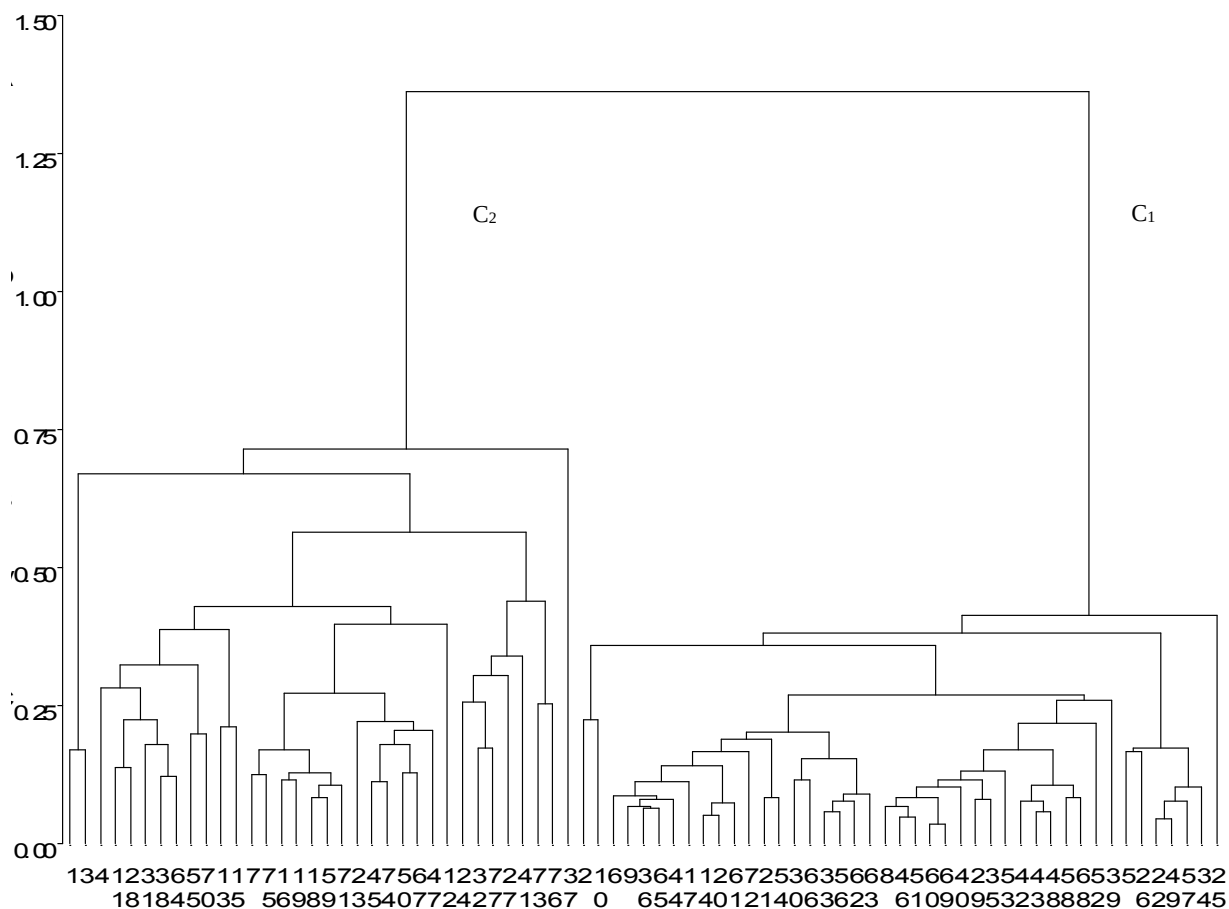


Figure 13. Dendrogram of forty three DEKOKO accessions and thirty four field pea genotypes based on examined traits

#### 4.2.2 Distribution of clusters against samples

Cluster 1 consisted about 76% of the materials selected. It was group of 33 landrace varieties, 4 released and 6 semi-leaf less type, while cluster 2 contained 10 landrace varieties, 12 released and 12 semi-leaf less type (Table 7). 10 landraces materials presented in C<sub>2</sub>.

Table 7. Clustering pattern of field pea samples from different origins over two clusters

| Origin                 | Number of samples | Number of samples in each cluster |                |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
|                        |                   | C <sub>1</sub>                    | C <sub>2</sub> |
| Introduced             | 18                | 6                                 | 12             |
| Burundi                | 1                 | 1                                 | 0              |
| India                  | 1                 | 0                                 | 1              |
| Ethiopia, Holeta       | 14                | 4                                 | 10             |
| Ethiopia, North Wollo  | 19                | 16                                | 3              |
| Ethiopia, South Tigray | 22                | 15                                | 7              |
| Ethiopia, Alamata      | 2                 | 2                                 | 0              |

### 4.3 Principle Component Analysis (PCA)

Principal component analysis (PCA) grouped the samples into two different classes alike to Cluster analysis (Appendix 2). It showed that both PCA<sub>1</sub> and PCA<sub>2</sub> accounts 77% from fourteen principal components. From the two Principal components, the first vector covered 68% PCA<sub>2</sub>, PCA<sub>3</sub>, PCA<sub>4</sub>, PCA<sub>5</sub>, PCA<sub>6</sub> and PCA<sub>7</sub> accounted for 8%, 6%, 5%, 4%, 2% and 1% sequentially. The other 7 vectors covered below one percent.

DTE, DTM, GF, BPP, TBPP, GPE, WT GYP had strong positive relation in PCA<sub>1</sub>. For PCA<sub>2</sub> strong relation was on DTE, PPP, SPP and BPR. In PCA<sub>1</sub> EGR, HI, BPR, PPP, DTE and SPP were least contributors, where as in PCA<sub>2</sub>, GF, BPP, DTM, HI, WT, DTF, EGR, TBPP and GYP successively smallest to higher (Table 8).

Table 8. Cumulative variances and eigenvectors on the first two principal components for fourteen characters in seventy seven samples.

| Parameter  | Principal component |                  |
|------------|---------------------|------------------|
|            | PCA <sub>1</sub>    | PCA <sub>2</sub> |
| Variance   | 68.82%              | 8.67%            |
| Cumulative | 68.82%              | 77.49%           |
| Character  | Eigenvectors        |                  |
| DTE        | 0.13                | 0.44             |
| DTF        | 0.30                | -0.13            |
| DTM        | 0.30                | -0.17            |
| GF         | 0.30                | -0.19            |
| PPP        | 0.15                | 0.43             |
| SPP        | -0.11               | 0.50             |
| BPP        | 0.29                | 0.17             |
| TBPP       | 0.31                | 0.09             |
| HI         | 0.28                | -0.16            |
| GPE        | 0.30                | -0.07            |
| BPR        | 0.22                | 0.43             |
| EGR        | 0.29                | 0.11             |
| WT         | 0.29                | -0.16            |
| GYP        | 0.32                | -0.03            |

Days to emergence (DTE), Days to flowering (DTE), Days to maturity (DTM), Grain filling period (GF), Pod per plant (PPP), Seed per pod (SPP), Biomass per plant (BPP), Total biomass per plant (TBPP), Harvesting index (HI), Growth production efficiency (GPE), Biomass production rate (BPR), Economic growth rate (EGR), Thousand Seed weight (WT) and Grain yield per plant (GYP).



#### **4.4 Correlation**

Based on the Pearson correlation fourteen traits were correlated positively and negatively to each other (Table 9). Days to emergence was correlated positively to all traits except seed per pod. Notably, it was greatly correlated to economic growth rate (0.44) and grain yield per plant (0.38). Days to flowering vastly correlated to days to maturity, grain filling period, total biomass per plant, harvesting index, thousand seed weight and grain yield per plant. Days to maturity was highly correlated to grain filling, total biomass per plant, thousand seed weight and grain yield per plant. Grain filling period was extremely correlated to total biomass per plant, thousand seed weight and grain yield per plant. Pod per plant was correlated to biomass per plant, total biomass per plant and biomass production rate.

Unlike to other traits, seed per plant correlated negatively. Seed per pod negatively correlated to days to maturity, grain filling period, growth production efficiency and grain yield per plant highly than others. Biomass per plant was correlated to total biomass per plant, grain yield per plant, growth production efficiency and biomass production rate highly. Harvesting index was greatly correlated to grain yield per plant and growth production efficiency. Growth production efficiency to thousand seed weight and grain yield per plant, biomass production rate to economic growth rate and grain yield, economic growth rate to grain yield per plant and thousand seed weight to grain yield per plant correlated highly with each other.

Table 9. Correlation coefficients among fourteen traits in 77 field pea samples.

| Characters  | Characters |        |        |        |        |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
|-------------|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------|
|             | DTE        | DTF    | DTM    | GF     | PPP    | SPP     | BPP    | TBPP   | HI     | GPE    | BPR    | EGR    | WT     | GYP5 |
| <b>DTE</b>  | 1.00       |        |        |        |        |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>DTF</b>  | 0.35**     | 1.00   |        |        |        |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>DTM</b>  | 0.34**     | 0.96** | 1.00   |        |        |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>GF</b>   | 0.30**     | 0.94** | 0.94** | 1.00   |        |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>PPP</b>  | 0.30**     | 0.40** | 0.39** | 0.36** | 1.00   |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>SPP</b>  | -          | -      | -      | -      | -0.10* | 1.00    |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
|             | 0.04ns     | 0.32** | 0.36** | 0.36** |        |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>BPP</b>  | 0.33**     | 0.82** | 0.79** | 0.82** | 0.46** | -0.23*  | 1.00   |        |        |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>TBPP</b> | 0.38**     | 0.90** | 0.88** | 0.90** | 0.47** | -0.30** | 0.95** | 1.00   |        |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>HI</b>   | 0.33**     | 0.86** | 0.84** | 0.84** | 0.26*  | -0.28*  | 0.66** | 0.80** | 1.00   |        |        |        |        |      |
| <b>GPE</b>  | 0.31**     | 0.84** | 0.84** | 0.90** | 0.38** | -0.35** | 0.82** | 0.91** | 0.84** | 1.00   |        |        |        |      |
| <b>BPR</b>  | 0.33**     | 0.50** | 0.47** | 0.49** | 0.42** | -0.12ns | 0.82** | 0.80** | 0.46** | 0.64** | 1.00   |        |        |      |
| <b>EGR</b>  | 0.44**     | 0.81** | 0.76** | 0.75** | 0.34** | -0.17ns | 0.77** | 0.85** | 0.88** | 0.81** | 0.68** | 1.00   |        |      |
| <b>WT</b>   | 0.28*      | 0.90** | 0.90** | 0.93** | 0.37** | -0.30** | 0.79** | 0.86** | 0.81** | 0.85** | 0.49** | 0.75** | 1.00   |      |
| <b>GYP</b>  | 0.38**     | 0.92** | 0.89** | 0.91** | 0.38** | -0.32** | 0.85** | 0.95** | 0.92** | 0.93** | 0.68** | 0.90** | 0.88** | 1.00 |

\*\* = highly significant ( $P < 0.01$ ), \*=significant ( $p < 0.05$ ), ns=not significant , Days to emergence (DTE), Days to flowering (DTE), Days to maturity (DTM), Grain filling period (GF), Pod per plant (PPP), Seed per pod (SPP), Biomass per plant (BPP), Total biomass per plant (TBPP), Harvesting index (HI), Growth production efficiency (GPE), Biomass production rate (BPR), Economic growth rate (EGR), Thousand Seed weight (WT) and Grain yield per plant (GYP).

#### 4.5 Mineral composition of field pea samples

Samples were analyzed by following steps in method section and demonstrated different value for all nutrients that was analyzed (Table 10).

Table 10. Mineral composition (ppm).

| No | Sample name | Ca   | Cu  | Fe | K     | Mg   | Mn   | P    | Se   | Zn   |
|----|-------------|------|-----|----|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1  | GUME        | 523  | 7.3 | 44 | 9598  | 1001 | 6.9  | 3850 | 0.21 | 10.8 |
| 2  | DEKOKO 26   | 986  | 7.2 | 67 | 14319 | 1710 | 10.6 | 5739 | 0.09 | 12.7 |
| 3  | P313-010    | 851  | 6.7 | 52 | 13129 | 1369 | 9.3  | 4565 | 0.10 | 11.3 |
| 4  | Ek08023-1   | 725  | 8.8 | 52 | 12330 | 1432 | 8.0  | 4931 | 0.14 | 15.2 |
| 5  | DEKOKO 9    | 1007 | 7.8 | 56 | 13225 | 1689 | 9.1  | 5541 | 0    | 14.1 |
| 6  | DEKOKO 7    | 946  | 7.6 | 52 | 14474 | 1892 | 10.3 | 6233 | 0    | 14.9 |
| 7  | P313-027    | 1288 | 7.4 | 42 | 13786 | 1404 | 5.9  | 5260 | 0    | 12.9 |
| 8  | DEKOKO 40   | 1208 | 7.3 | 59 | 15935 | 2024 | 11.2 | 7182 | 0    | 20.5 |
| 9  | DEKOKO 31   | 875  | 8.7 | 54 | 13789 | 1942 | 9.0  | 5804 | 0    | 19.2 |
| 10 | DEKOKO 2    | 1130 | 9.2 | 57 | 12814 | 1845 | 9.8  | 5901 | 0    | 17.0 |
| 11 | ADI         | 855  | 8.3 | 62 | 11486 | 1417 | 6.2  | 5341 | 0    | 22.1 |
| 12 | WOLMERA     | 982  | 7.3 | 45 | 10919 | 1390 | 5.3  | 5220 | 0    | 18.2 |
| 13 | MILKIY      | 874  | 7.0 | 52 | 12913 | 1457 | 7.2  | 5064 | 0    | 12.3 |
| 14 | DEKOKO 30   | 704  | 7.6 | 48 | 13395 | 1680 | 8.7  | 5624 | 0    | 13.6 |
| 15 | MOHANDERFER | 917  | 8.2 | 64 | 11112 | 1457 | 6.9  | 4972 | 0    | 19.4 |
| 16 | P313-082    | 653  | 9.3 | 61 | 11782 | 1759 | 7.1  | 5656 | 0    | 18.0 |

|    |            |     |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |
|----|------------|-----|------|-----|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 17 | DEKOKO 8   | 612 | 8.9  | 53  | 12332 | 1489 | 8.5  | 5034 | 0    | 13.7 |
| 18 | P313-067   | 729 | 9.3  | 64  | 10589 | 1455 | 5.8  | 4923 | 0    | 13.4 |
| 19 | LATU       | 654 | 9.1  | 46  | 9405  | 1406 | 5.9  | 3988 | 0    | 12.8 |
| 20 | DEKOKO 34  | 788 | 7.2  | 51  | 13376 | 1780 | 9.1  | 5672 | 0    | 16.6 |
| 21 | DEKOKO 25  | 986 | 7.0  | 53  | 13563 | 1810 | 11.2 | 5834 | 0.01 | 17.6 |
| 22 | DEKOKO 4   | 807 | 9.4  | 54  | 12103 | 1652 | 8.8  | 5089 | 0    | 15.2 |
| 23 | P313-086   | 758 | 8.7  | 42  | 12307 | 1474 | 7.8  | 4970 | 0    | 14.7 |
| 24 | G22 763-2c | 712 | 7.2  | 43  | 9897  | 1327 | 5.6  | 4233 | 0    | 14.4 |
| 25 | DEKOKO 5   | 932 | 9.3  | 84  | 12490 | 1736 | 10.1 | 5505 | 0.03 | 25.4 |
| 26 | DEKOKO 13  | 703 | 9.1  | 44  | 12155 | 1596 | 8.1  | 4910 | 0    | 16.4 |
| 27 | P313-090   | 724 | 10.5 | 50  | 10958 | 1304 | 6.6  | 4964 | 0    | 20.7 |
| 28 | BURSA      | 566 | 12.6 | 61  | 11822 | 1567 | 6.2  | 5933 | 0    | 21.8 |
| 29 | DEKOKO 14  | 751 | 6.0  | 61  | 13850 | 1780 | 11.9 | 5794 | 0.03 | 17.6 |
| 30 | RAYA 1     | 805 | 5.8  | 55  | 13491 | 1693 | 9.4  | 5512 | 0    | 17.8 |
| 31 | MARKOS     | 514 | 7.8  | 61  | 11918 | 1410 | 7.0  | 5002 | 0    | 14.4 |
| 32 | MEGERI     | 777 | 10.9 | 71  | 14821 | 1875 | 8.5  | 6520 | 0.56 | 17.6 |
| 33 | DEKOKO 41  | 728 | 7.3  | 46  | 11734 | 1356 | 5.8  | 4686 | 0.37 | 18.2 |
| 34 | DEKOKO 6   | 805 | 6.0  | 49  | 13608 | 1569 | 9.8  | 5609 | 0    | 16.5 |
| 35 | DEKOKO 19  | 809 | 6.4  | 150 | 12273 | 1745 | 10.5 | 5441 | 0    | 15.7 |
| 36 | DEKOKO 21  | 903 | 8.1  | 51  | 14584 | 1776 | 10.6 | 5809 | 0.04 | 13.8 |
| 37 | DEKOKO 18  | 710 | 7.6  | 46  | 12685 | 1502 | 8.1  | 4948 | 0    | 12.1 |
| 38 | P313-068   | 748 | 7.9  | 47  | 13404 | 1577 | 6.8  | 4948 | 0    | 10.8 |

|    |           |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |
|----|-----------|------|------|-----|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 39 | TEGENECH  | 792  | 5.2  | 37  | 11666 | 1245 | 6.8  | 4007 | 0.18 | 9.9  |
| 40 | DEKOKO 3  | 781  | 7.4  | 53  | 12377 | 1413 | 9.4  | 4462 | 0.35 | 15.0 |
| 41 | DEKOKO 43 | 785  | 6.7  | 47  | 11155 | 1690 | 10.0 | 4794 | 0.46 | 21.1 |
| 42 | HOLETA    | 399  | 4.1  | 37  | 7389  | 945  | 4.5  | 3121 | 0.25 | 14.1 |
| 43 | DEKOKO 42 | 759  | 6.1  | 51  | 12221 | 1499 | 10.8 | 5213 | 0.28 | 18.4 |
| 44 | RAYA 2    | 719  | 7.7  | 64  | 12004 | 1545 | 12.4 | 5000 | 0.74 | 19.1 |
| 45 | DEKOKO 36 | 828  | 6.3  | 75  | 12754 | 1570 | 13.8 | 5408 | 0.89 | 15.2 |
| 46 | P313-045  | 661  | 5.8  | 50  | 10749 | 1222 | 7.5  | 4664 | 1.24 | 16.3 |
| 47 | DEKOKO 12 | 754  | 5.6  | 52  | 12097 | 1554 | 9.9  | 5080 | 0.68 | 20.8 |
| 48 | P313-070  | 707  | 10.0 | 52  | 11796 | 1451 | 7.2  | 5261 | 0.31 | 16.8 |
| 49 | DEKOKO 23 | 722  | 5.7  | 40  | 14362 | 1498 | 8.1  | 5089 | 0.30 | 17.4 |
| 50 | DEKOKO 11 | 1058 | 6.3  | 208 | 16435 | 1456 | 10.0 | 4372 | 0.24 | 12.5 |
| 51 | P313-071  | 650  | 11.5 | 67  | 11520 | 1494 | 7.4  | 5483 | 0.34 | 25.1 |
| 52 | DEKOKO 15 | 966  | 6.0  | 42  | 15299 | 1635 | 9.0  | 5888 | 0.44 | 20.9 |
| 53 | DEKOKO 24 | 915  | 6.3  | 50  | 14536 | 1658 | 8.8  | 5240 | 0.36 | 18.2 |
| 54 | DEKOKO 16 | 1052 | 6.7  | 51  | 18187 | 1977 | 8.2  | 6034 | 0.43 | 17.5 |
| 55 | DEKOKO 33 | 1040 | 5.6  | 39  | 15869 | 1487 | 6.9  | 4744 | 0.27 | 12.9 |
| 56 | BILALOL   | 1032 | 8.2  | 50  | 13431 | 1519 | 5.9  | 4943 | 0.39 | 24.6 |
| 57 | DEKOKO 1  | 600  | 5.2  | 55  | 11754 | 1342 | 11.2 | 4431 | 0.92 | 17.6 |
| 58 | DEKOKO 27 | 845  | 5.9  | 44  | 11774 | 1405 | 8.1  | 4355 | 0.25 | 11.5 |
| 59 | DEKOKO 22 | 1181 | 4.7  | 317 | 13883 | 1801 | 13.2 | 5097 | 0.22 | 11.4 |
| 60 | P313-042  | 800  | 7.8  | 43  | 12164 | 1345 | 7.9  | 4643 | 0.34 | 12.3 |

|    |           |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |
|----|-----------|------|------|-----|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 61 | DEKOKO 29 | 893  | 11.7 | 44  | 12594 | 1505 | 9.0  | 4461 | 0.25 | 17.3 |
| 62 | DEKOKO 10 | 779  | 6.6  | 46  | 12378 | 1551 | 8.1  | 4458 | 0.23 | 12.0 |
| 63 | DEKOKO 20 | 835  | 7.1  | 61  | 14341 | 1711 | 10.4 | 5044 | 0.42 | 13.7 |
| 64 | DEKOKO 17 | 897  | 8.5  | 55  | 14035 | 1840 | 11.5 | 5466 | 0.42 | 13.4 |
| 65 | P313-053  | 646  | 10.9 | 57  | 13799 | 1455 | 8.3  | 5594 | 0.58 | 14.4 |
| 66 | DEKOKO 37 | 1007 | 6.3  | 52  | 12014 | 1671 | 9.8  | 4970 | 0.28 | 14.3 |
| 67 | DEKOKO 39 | 801  | 9.7  | 56  | 12909 | 1658 | 11.1 | 5449 | 0.21 | 15.0 |
| 68 | BIRKITU   | 899  | 11.5 | 230 | 11534 | 1430 | 7.7  | 5851 | 0.70 | 19.9 |
| 69 | DEKOKO 32 | 770  | 6.6  | 62  | 12097 | 1529 | 10.9 | 5522 | 0.68 | 22.4 |
| 70 | DEKOKO 35 | 819  | 7.6  | 49  | 10766 | 1425 | 9.5  | 5284 | 0.40 | 14.2 |
| 71 | P313-059  | 1153 | 8.2  | 51  | 9757  | 1083 | 7.9  | 4676 | 0.22 | 13.2 |
| 72 | P313-046  | 517  | 11.5 | 59  | 9719  | 1168 | 5.9  | 5227 | 0.52 | 14.5 |
| 73 | P313-003  | 724  | 8.2  | 45  | 10587 | 965  | 7.0  | 4519 | 0.47 | 14.5 |
| 74 | P313-061  | 1034 | 6.1  | 33  | 10457 | 937  | 6.5  | 4465 | 0.58 | 15.0 |
| 75 | P313-026  | 634  | 11.0 | 67  | 10775 | 1167 | 7.0  | 5450 | 1.42 | 21.7 |
| 76 | HASABE    | 736  | 9.9  | 65  | 12274 | 1330 | 6.8  | 5959 | 0.53 | 21.3 |
| 77 | P313-089  | 618  | 8.6  | 48  | 12218 | 1091 | 8.1  | 5239 | 0.35 | 15.2 |

For Ca, DEKOKO 40 and P313-027 had scored top from all samples used which was 1288 and 1208 ppm. DEKOKO 43 and MARKOS noted that they were the lowest with the value of 399 and 514 ppm. For Cu Bursa and P313-042 had the highest value which was 12.6 and 11.7 ppm individually. The lowest concentration of Cu was recorded by DEKOKO 43 and

DEKOKO 27 4.1 and 4.7 ppm respectively. For Fe, DEKOKO 27 and DEKOKO 39 had peak value of 230 and 317ppm and P313-061and P313-068 had bottom value which was 33 and 37 ppm. DEKOKO 16 and DEKOKO 11 was top varieties having 18,187 and 16,435 ppm of K nutrient. DEKOKO 43 and LATU noted that they were lowest. Mg nutrient was highest on DEKOKO 40 and DEKOKO 16 and DEKOKO 43 and P313-061 were the lowest had value of 2024, 1977, 945 and 937 ppm. For Mn, DEKOKO 27 and RAYA 2 had ultimate value of 13.2 and 13.8 ppm DEKOKO 43 and WOLMERA and had bottom value which was 4.5 and 5.3 ppm. P was in high concentration on DEKOKO 40 and MEGERI and in low concentration in DEKOKO 43 and GUME with the value of 7182, 6520, 3121 and 3850 ppm sequentially. Varieties, which was from Australia, P313-026 and P313-045 scored top of 1.42 and 1.24 ppm for concentration of Se besides P313-090 and MARKOS scored bottom -0.40 and -0.38 (Table 11).

Table 11 highest two samples for each nutrient was

| Nutrient | Samples              |
|----------|----------------------|
| Ca       | P313-027, DEKOKO 40  |
| Cu       | BURSA, DEKOKO 29     |
| Fe       | DEKOKO 22, BIRKITU   |
| K        | DEKOKO 16, DEKOKO 11 |
| Mg       | DEKOKO 40, DEKOKO 16 |
| Mn       | DEKOKO 36, DEKOKO 22 |
| P        | DEKOKO 40, MEGERI    |
| Se       | P313-026, P313-045   |
| Zn       | DEKOKO 5, P313-071   |

#### 4.5.1 Cluster based on nutrient concentration

The samples were grouped in to 3 different groups based on mineral concentration (Figure 15). Cluster  $C_1$  accounted 89% from the total materials used. Cluster  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  were recorded about 11%. Holeta variety was the one in  $C_3$ . All the samples from Australia was grouped in  $C_1$ . Landrace varieties was clustered in  $C_1$  excluding six samples (Table 12). In cluster 1 peak result were on Cu and Mn concentration, where as in cluster 2 it were on Ca, Fe, K, Mg, Mn, Se, P and Zn. Low concentration of Ca, Cu, Fe, K, Mg, Mn, P and Zn was showed in cluster 3 (Table 13). K and P mineral concentration was higher than the others (Figure 14).

Table 12. Distribution in cluster

| Origin                 | Number of samples | Number of samples in each cluster |                |                |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                        |                   | C1                                | C <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>3</sub> |
| Australia              | 18                | 18                                | 0              | 0              |
| Burundi                | 1                 | 1                                 | 0              | 0              |
| India                  | 1                 | 1                                 | 0              | 0              |
| Ethiopia, Holeta       | 14                | 12                                | 1              | 1              |
| Ethiopia, North Wollo  | 19                | 17                                | 2              | 0              |
| Ethiopia, South Tigray | 22                | 18                                | 4              | 0              |
| Ethiopia, Alamata      | 2                 | 2                                 | 0              | 0              |



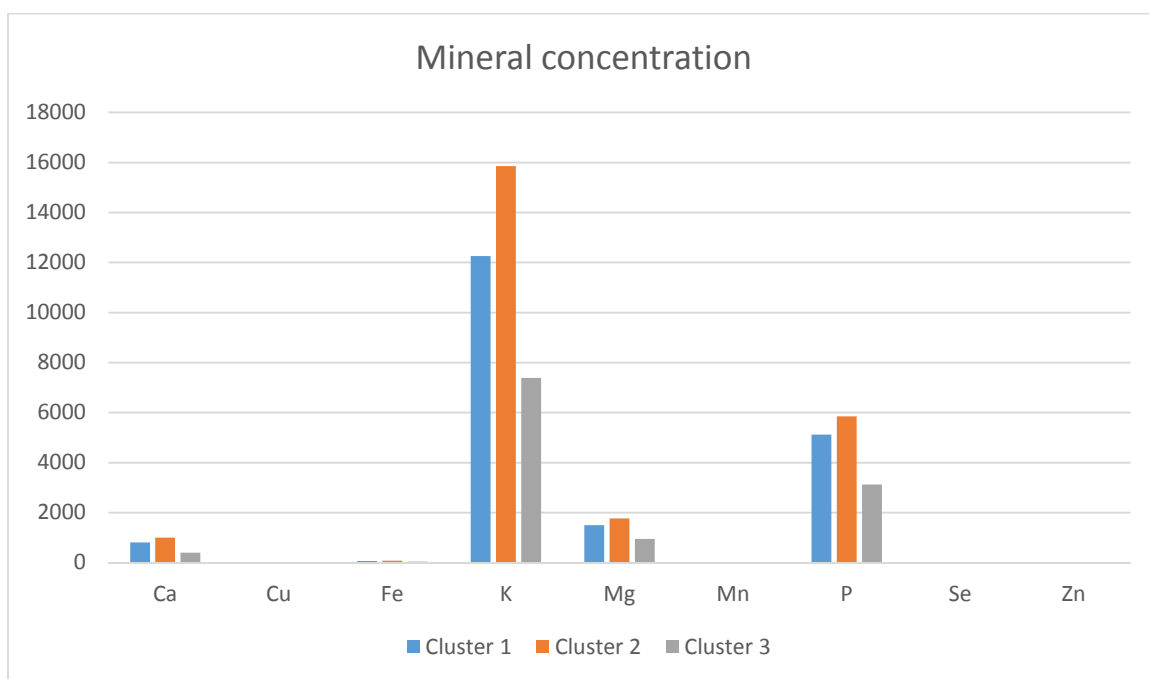


Figure 14 Graph based on mineral concentration clusters

Table 13. Cluster mean on base of mineral concentration

|           | Cluster 1 | Cluster 2 | Cluster 3 |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Ca</b> | 803       | 1007      | 399       |
| <b>Cu</b> | 8         | 7         | 4         |
| <b>Fe</b> | 61        | 75        | 37        |
| <b>K</b>  | 12256     | 15860     | 7389      |
| <b>Mg</b> | 1497      | 1764      | 945       |
| <b>Mn</b> | 9         | 9         | 5         |
| <b>P</b>  | 5117      | 5853      | 3121      |
| <b>Se</b> | 0.25      | 0.28      | 0.25      |
| <b>Zn</b> | 16        | 17        | 14        |

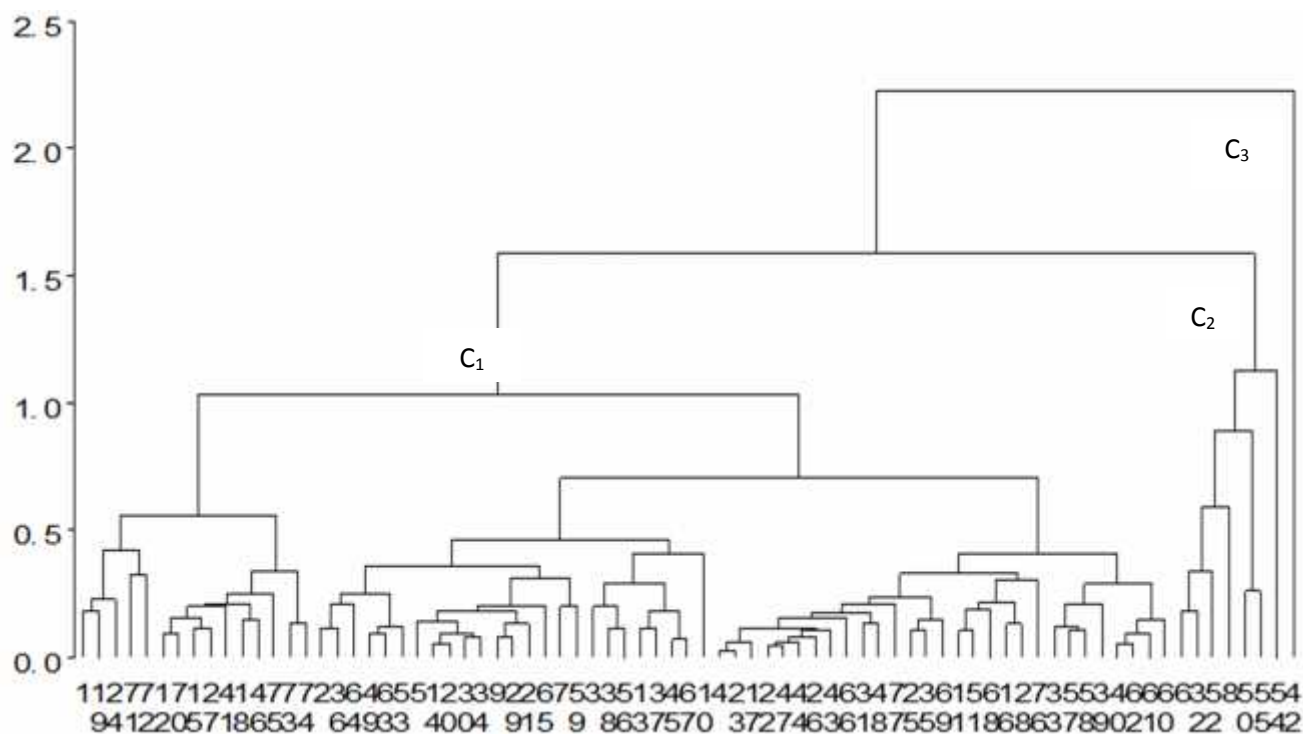


Figure 15. Dendrogram of samples based on mineral concentration

#### 4.5.2 Correlation of nutrients

Nutrients had relation positively or negatively in the result of analysis by being highly significant ( $p < 0.01$ ), significant ( $p < 0.05$ ) and not significant ( $p \geq 0.05$ ). As can be seen below, there was positive strong relation ( $p < 0.01$ ) between Ca with K, Mg, Mn, and P, Cu with P and Zn, Fe with Mn, K with Mg, Mn and P, Mg with Mn and P and P with Zn (Table 14). There were also nutrients which didn't had any relationship for instance Ca with Cu, Se with Zn, Mn with Se and Mg with Zn.

Table 14. Correlation of nutrients

| Characters | Characters |         |         |         |        |        |         |        |      |
|------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|--------|------|
|            | Ca         | Cu      | Fe      | K       | Mg     | Mn     | P       | Se     | Zn   |
| <b>Ca</b>  | 1.00       |         |         |         |        |        |         |        |      |
| <b>Cu</b>  | -0.22ns    | 1.00    |         |         |        |        |         |        |      |
| <b>Fe</b>  | 0.26*      | -0.01ns | 1.00    |         |        |        |         |        |      |
| <b>K</b>   | 0.53**     | -0.16ns | 0.16ns  | 1.00    |        |        |         |        |      |
| <b>Mg</b>  | 0.41**     | 0.00ns  | 0.17ns  | 0.71**  | 1.00   |        |         |        |      |
| <b>Mn</b>  | 0.29**     | -0.28*  | 0.32**  | 0.47**  | 0.58** | 1.00   |         |        |      |
| <b>P</b>   | 0.32**     | 0.31**  | 0.12ns  | 0.57**  | 0.70** | 0.38** | 1.00    |        |      |
| <b>Se</b>  | -0.11ns    | -0.08ns | 0.10ns  | -0.06ns | -0.28* | 0.20ns | -0.08ns | 1.00   |      |
| <b>Zn</b>  | -0.01ns    | 0.31**  | -0.02ns | 0.01ns  | 0.19ns | 0.02ns | 0.43**  | 0.21ns | 1.00 |

#### 4.6 Susceptibility to disease

Around study area powdery mildew and ascochyta disease was there. It was scaled using (1-9) on the field. The prevalence of powdery mildew was high in Debrezeit field relatively than Holeta. The level of occurrence was smaller at the time of pod setting (Table 15). As the time past, manifestation been vast from the root to 5 to 6 nod (Figure 16).

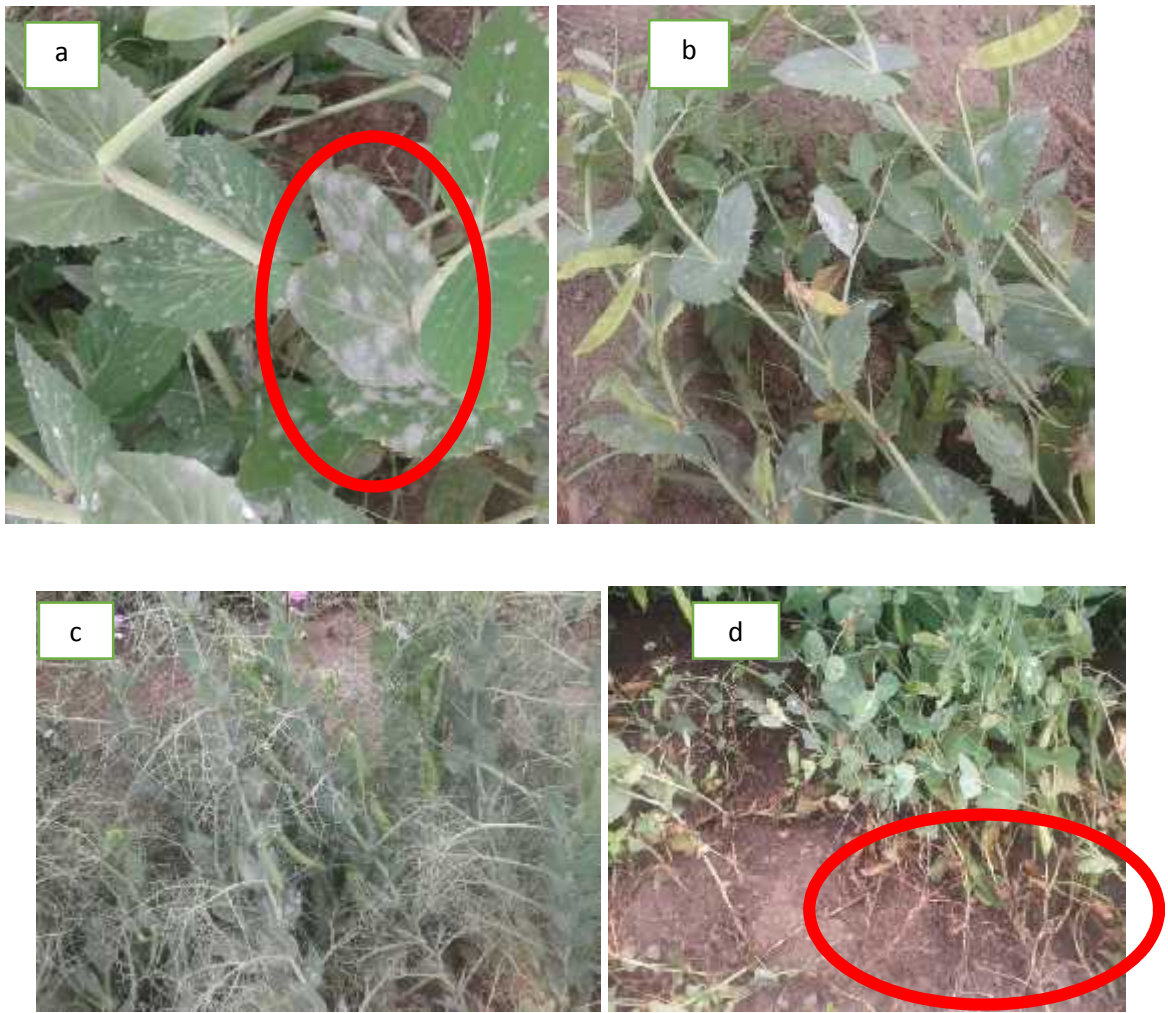


Figure 16. Powdery mildew (a, b & c) and ascochyta (d) disease occurrence and prevalence

The result showed that RAYA1, DEKOKO 41 and DEKOKO 15 was the most resistant samples from 77 samples for both powdery mildew and ascochyta blight with using 1-9 scale. DEKOKO 22, DEKOKO 11, DEKOKO 35, DEKOKO 18, MEGERI, and P33-067 were susceptible for powdery mildew. From all samples that were tested, DEKOKO 32, P313-082, DEKOKO 22, DEKOKO 17, DEKOKO 18 and DEKOKO 12 were susceptible.

Table 15. Scale rating for disease examined.

| Rating Scale                              | Ascochyta Blight                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Powdery Mildew                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1-3<br/>(Resistant)</b>                | 31,1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 62,54,26,2,58,20,36,8,9,29,21,15,61<br>,39,14,46,22,44,30,48,34,52,42,43,4<br>0,6,17,60,33                                           |
| <b>4-<br/>6(Moderately<br/>Resistant)</b> | 69,16,59,64,37,47,18,62,25,10,51,48,45,50,71,6<br>3,20,6,73,28,41,14,35,56,61,26,55,74,21,68,43,<br>12,29,22,67,36,5,70,23,8,19,2,44,54,72,34,76,5<br>8,32,42,65,17,39,49,11,57,7,9,27,4,77,38,3,40,5<br>3,66,75, 52,33,46,13,60,15,30,24 | 73,7,77,47,16,75,71,64,4,23,3,27,<br>76,28,69,45,19,12,41,67,11,74,65,3<br>1,35,38,10,66,72,68,24,56,49,1,53,2<br>5,13,57,5,63,55,51 |
| <b>&gt;6<br/>(Susceptible)</b>            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 59,50,70,37,32,18                                                                                                                    |

#### 4.6.1 Correlation of traits with diseases

Ascochyta blight and powdery mildew had positive, negative, strong and weak relation with other traits. Ascochyta blight with powdery mildew had significant positive relation. Ascochyta blight hadn't relation with days to maturity (Table 16). Nonetheless, powdery mildew had positive strong relation with days to maturity. Ascochyta blight hadn't relation with pod per plant, seed per pod, total biomass production per plant, thousand seed weight and grain yield per plant but with grain filling period had significant relation. Powdery mildew had positive strong relation with grain filling period, total biomass production per plant, thousand seed weight and grain yield per plant. On the other hand powdery mildew hadn't have relation with pod per plant and seed per pod (Appendix 6).

Table 16. Correlation of disease with Days to maturity

| <b>CHARACTERS</b> | <b><u>CHARACTERS</u></b> |        |      |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------|------|
|                   | AB                       | PW     | DTM  |
| <b>AB</b>         | 1.00                     |        |      |
| <b>PW</b>         | 0.29*                    | 1.00   |      |
| <b>DTM</b>        | -0.047 <sup>ns</sup>     | 0.61** | 1.00 |

Ascochyta blight (AB), powdery mildew (PW) and days to maturity (DTM)

## CHAPTER FIVE

### 5. DISCUSSION, CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 5.1 Discussion

##### 5.1.1 Phenotypic diversity

The yield variation is also comes from sample environment interaction, it was highly significant. As Gemechu Keneni (2012) and Tamene Tolessa *et al.* (2013) reported, crop samples grown in different environments would frequently encounter significant fluctuation in yield performance, particularly when the growing environment are markedly different, the test samples respond to changes in the growing environment or both. In other words if two locations were distinctly different, for some of the characters and that better samples at one location may not also be better performing at another. But landraces have well structural and functional fitness to survive and reproduce under harsh environment than the improved samples (Gemechu Keneni, 2012).

##### 5.1.2 Cluster of samples

The 77 samples was clustered in two clusters. Landrace samples were grouped in C<sub>1</sub> except few outlier samples by way of Martin-Sanz *et al.* (2010).

DEKOKO can mature with in few days than other varieties (Ater). The other character of DEKOKO is having low yield production and lower seed volume and seed weight than the common field pea, 'Ater' like that of Haddis Yirga *et al.* (2013) and Berhane Gebreslassie & Berhanu Abraha (2016). The local accessions were also more closely related among themselves than with the introductions from foreign sources for both symbiotic and agronomic characters.

It is not possible, to find out a single sample combining all desirable characters. Recombining and selection of useful genes is mandatory to increase production (Gemechu Keneni, 2012). Parents with one or more of the desired characters can be chosen from the sources grouped in this study, based on not only group performance, but also on performances of individual accessions for specific traits will be selected.

### **5.1.3 Principal Component**

Normally it is assumed that characters with larger eigenvector values closer to unity within the first principal component influence the clustering more than those with lower values closer to zero (Gemechu Keneni *et al.*, 2013). Resembling to Gemechu Keneni *et al.* (2013) and Ouafi *et al.* (2016) the first PCA accounted more result based on days to flowering, days to maturity, grain filling period, biomass per plant, total biomass per plant, total biomass per plant, harvesting index, grain production efficiency, thousand seed weight and grain yield per plant . The second component was great eigenvalue on days to emergence, pod per plant, and seed per pod and biomass production rate.

### **5.1.4 Correlation**

Days to maturity was correlated to all positively like that of Teshome Legese (2010) except seed per pod. Negative direct effect exerted on seed yield by number of seed per pod like that of Million Fikreselassie (2012).

Total biomass per plant and thousand seed weight seems ( $r= 0.95$ ) related. As high total biomass per plant was there, high grain yield will be produced. Pod per plant, biomass per plant, and harvest index towards seed yield plant and concluded their originality as yield components (Teshome Legese, 2011). An overall analysis of path coefficient suggested



that selection should be made for plants with high biomass yield followed by harvest index to increase seed yield on field pea.

#### **5.1.5 Chemical Composition of Field Pea**

While field pea have different nutrients, the content vary from nutrient to nutrient and samples to samples. Variation in chemical composition was due to variety, soil and climatic conditions (Danilovic and Soltysova, 2010). Like that of Harmankaya *et al.* (2010) Fe found in all samples by ranging from 33-317ppm. Ca, which have value for bone and teeth strength, was 339-1288ppm. Cu from 4.1 to 12.6 ppm, K from 7389-18187ppm, Mg starting from 937 to 2024ppm, P up to 7182ppm and Se up to 1.42 was found. Zn from 9.9 to 25.9 ppm. There was positive correlation Ca and K, Mg and P, Ca with P, P with Mg similar to Harmankaya *et al.* (2010).

Field pea samples which were analyzed had high Fe and P than chickpea. When the samples was compared to lentil and faba bean, it had high Ca, Fe and P (EHNRI, 1997).

Farmer's varieties had high concentration of Ca, Fe, K, Mg, P and Mn than improved and introduced ones. Therefore it is important to evaluate the nutritional quality of locally grown cultivars of pea (Talat *et al.*, 1988).

#### **5.1.6 Disease Prevalence**

As reported on Seid (2015) field pea is host for powdery mildew and ascochyta blight. Infestation of powdery mildew on Debrezeit was vast and high in stage. Infestation depends mainly on environment (Mulusew Fikere, 2010). The powdery infestation favors in Debrezeit than Holeta. Unlike to Mulusew Fikere (2010) powdery mildew and ascochyta blight had significant association with each other. Starting at landrace samples RAYA 1, DEKOKO 41 and DEKOKO 15 was best to resist diseases than others particularly to powdery

mildew, since DEKOKO has novel genes to control and resistance (Berhane Gebreslassie & Berhanu Abraha, 2016). The result showed disease had interfered on yield production. This result was also alike to Mulusew Fikere (2010) and Teklay Abebe (2014).

After pea harvest powdery mildew pathogens and blight causing fungus may survive as colonies on volunteer pea plants, on alternative hosts or as resting states on plant debris until the next season (Zaumeyek, 1962, Nilimini, 2008 and Attanayake *et al.*, 2010). Attributable to this fact the harvested field pea was put in refrigerator.

## 5.2 Conclusion

Differences were observed on leaf sizes, flower colors and seed colors of field peas. Among environments, varieties and locations there was significant variation. Landraces grouped in one cluster by having same character and released and semi-leaf less samples grouped in the other cluster. Days to flowering, days to maturity, grain filling period, biomass per plant, total biomass per plant, total biomass per plant, harvesting index, grain production efficiency, thousand seed weight and grain yield per plant had high contribution for the grouping in principal component analysis.

Ca, Fe, K, Mg, P and Mn concentration was high in Farmer's varieties. Cu, Se and Zn was high in the remaining ones. For Ca P313-027, Cu BURSA, Fe DEKOKO 27, K DEKOKO 24, Mg and P DEKOKO 40, Mn RAYA 2, Se P313-026 and Zn DEKOKO 5 were top for each nutrient. Disease prevalence was scaled and RAYA 1, DEKOKO 41 and DEKOKO 15 were the best in resistance to diseases like ascochyta blight and powdery mildew.

### 5.3 Recommendations

Based on the results of this study, the following recommendations are made for future work.

- The DEKOKO genotypes are early genotypes to mature and can be used in drought prone areas or can be used in double cropping.
- The study was based on phenotypic diversity but if molecular attributes can be included more information can be obtained.
- Nine nutrients were analyzed in the study, but other micronutrient (Na, I, Mo and Co), vitamins and amino acid contents could be done for the future.
- Lines (raya1, dekokoko 41 and dekokoko 15) that can resist to diseases like ascochyta blight and powdery mildew could be used in breeding programs.
- The samples can be used for sources for different desirable agronomic practices (landrace accessions) and nutritive traits (dekokoko 40, dekokoko 22 and dekokoko 16).

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## Appendices

### Appendix 1. Combined analyses of variance for 14 traits of 77 field pea varieties tested using RCBD at Debrezeit in 2016/17.

| no | Name of samples | DTE        | DTF         | DTM         | GF            | PPP      | SPP   | BPP                  | TBPP          | HI                 | GPE                | BPR               | EGR              | WT                   | GYP5             |
|----|-----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|----------|-------|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1  | GUME            | 7.33<br>bc | 68fghi      | 134bcd      | 65.3bcd       | 25cd     | 2cd   | 24.17bcdef           | 58.28xyz      | 27.74g             | 15.46i             | 43.60k            | 24.77e           | 168.22a              | 16.18bc          |
| 2  | DEKOKO 26       | 7.67<br>bc | 39nopq      | 85ghij      | 46.7klm<br>n  | 20hijkl  | 4abcd | 21.69efghi           | 48.74ijk      | 34.42abvwxyz       | 20.25cdefg         | 57.12abc          | 35.94abxyz       | 136.40bcdef          | 16.77ab          |
| 3  | P313-010        | 9ab        | 68ghij      | 134abc<br>d | 66.7b         | 6jklm    | 4abcd | 41.07efgh            | 71.18j        | 32.29bcde          | 24.55rstuvw<br>x   | 57.45abcz         | 37.37stuvw<br>yz | 187.01cdefg          | 24.92pqrs        |
| 4  | Ek08023-1       | 7.67<br>bc | 66jk        | 131e        | 65.7bcd       | 24cdef   | 2cd   | 31.68opqrstu         | 68.35pq       | 37.79hijklmno<br>p | 25.83opqrstu       | 52.05ghi          | 50.87efg         | 140.193bcd           | 25.8333mno<br>pq |
| 5  | DEKOKO 9        | 8.67<br>ab | 39nop       | 84ij        | 45mno         | 22defghi | 5a    | 29.01qrstuvw<br>x    | 58.41xyz      | 32.47abcde         | 21.71abcdyz        | 68.27jk           | 29.7rs           | 83.93abcdxy<br>z     | 18.9667yz        |
| 6  | DEKOKO 7        | 6.33<br>c  | 38nopq<br>r | 85hij       | 46.3klm<br>no | 20hijkl  | 3abcd | 28.73aqrstuv<br>wxyz | 58.10axy<br>z | 29.57fg            | 20.77bcd           | 68.63jk           | 37.09tuvwxy<br>z | 86.44abcstuv<br>wxyz | 17.1833ab        |
| 7  | P313-027        | 7.33<br>bc | 76b         | 133bcd<br>e | 56.7ij        | 14uvw    | 4abcd | 38.08fghijkl         | 72.62mn       | 37.48ijklmnop      | 20.12cdefgh        | 54.47def          | 48.03ghi         | 121.68efghij<br>k    | 27.2133ijklm     |
| 8  | DEKOKO 40       | 8abc       | 38nopq<br>r | 85ghij      | 46.7klm<br>n  | 14tuvw   | 3abcd | 19.31hi              | 45.27m        | 32.76abcdez        | 18.06fgh           | 53.25efgh         | 31.77cd          | 59.13f               | 14.83cd          |
| 9  | DEKOKO 31       | 7.67<br>bc | 38nopq<br>r | 84ij        | 46klmno       | 23defg   | 4ab   | 31.24qrstuv          | 63.96st       | 35.13qrstuvw<br>xy | 26.96jklmno<br>pqr | 75.85ef           | 10.45def         | 89.20abstuv<br>wxyz  | 22.47uv          |
| 10 | DEKOKO 2        | 8.33<br>ab | 38nopq<br>r | 84ij        | 46klmno       | 13vw     | 3abcd | 21.06ghi             | 46.55lm       | 32.67abcdez        | 18.25efgh          | 55.19cde          | 33.05abc         | 125.93cdefg<br>hi    | 15.2cd           |
| 11 | ADI             | 9.67<br>a  | 69efgh      | 133bcd<br>e | 64bcde        | 20hijkl  | 2d    | 40.07efghijk         | 79.44i        | 42.34cd            | 31.05defg          | 59.58tuvw<br>xyz  | 52.55ef          | 134.58bcdef<br>g     | 33.63cd          |
| 12 | WOLMERA         | 7.67<br>bc | 72cd        | 136a        | 64.7bcd       | 29ab     | 2cd   | 40.65efghi           | 82.44gh       | 38.38ghijkl        | 28.55hijklm        | 60.47rstuv<br>wxy | 48.94fgh         | 126.24cdefg<br>hi    | 31.64fg          |
| 13 | MILKIY          | 8.67<br>ab | 70defg      | 136a        | 66.7b         | 26bc     | 3abcd | 46.96bc              | 92.96d        | 43.16bc            | 38.40b             | 68.19kl           | 60.18bc          | 136.33bcdef          | 40.12b           |

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| 14 | DEKOKO 30   | 7.67<br>bc | 38nopq<br>r | 85hij       | 46.3klm<br>no | 15qrstuv      | 4abcd | 28.08abstuvw<br>xyz | 57.05ayz      | 33.37abcxyz           | 23.02abvwxyz      | 67.38kl          | 41.09nopqrs       | 86.60abcdvw<br>xyz  | 19.0367yz         |
| 15 | MOHANDERFER | 8.33<br>ab | 68fghi      | 133bcd<br>e | 65cbd         | 30a           | 3abcd | 41.25efgh           | 84.07fg       | 36.58klmnopq<br>rstuv | 29.25efghijk      | 63.05nopq        | 47.31ghij         | 141.67bc            | 30.7533g          |
| 16 | P313-082    | 8.67<br>ab | 66ijk       | 132de       | 66bcd         | 20hijkl       | 3bcd  | 37.96ghijkl         | 77.04j        | 34.74arstuvw<br>yz    | 26.63klmnop<br>qr | 58.22abzy        | 42.55opqrst       | 102mnopqrstu<br>vw  | 26.7667ijklm<br>n |
| 17 | DEKOKO 8    | 8.33<br>ab | 36r         | 84j         | 47.7klm       | 18klmnop<br>p | 4abc  | 27.72abuvw<br>yz    | 51.85defg     | 36.73klmnopq<br>rstu  | 24.99pqrstuv      | 61.73nopq<br>rst | 39.96pqrstu       | 97.52pqrstuv<br>wyz | 19.0467yz         |
| 18 | P313-067    | 8.33<br>ab | 68fghi      | 135abc      | 66.3bc        | 16qrstuv      | 3abcd | 36.28jklm           | 63.03tuv      | 34.49abuvw<br>yz      | 21.11abcd         | 46.80j           | 32.78bcd          | 107.50jklmn<br>opq  | 21.74vw           |
| 19 | LATU        | 7.33<br>bc | 65k         | 135ab       | 70a           | 21ghijk       | 3abcd | 34.14lmno           | 58.97xy       | 41.91cde              | 26.48lmnop<br>r   | 43.57k           | 35.30abcxyz       | 109.13ijklmn<br>op  | 24.71pqrs         |
| 20 | DEKOKO 34   | 8.67<br>ab | 40mno       | 84ij        | 44.7no        | 16qrstuv      | 3abcd | 27.83abuvw<br>yz    | 52.82bcd<br>e | 34.23abvwxyz          | 20.36cdef         | 62.62nopq<br>r   | 40.48opqrst       | 87.56abcuvw<br>xyz  | 18.08az           |
| 21 | DEKOKO 25   | 8abc       | 39nopq      | 85ghij      | 46.klmn       | 12w           | 4abc  | 30.86opqrstuv<br>w  | 56.19a        | 47.79a                | 32.42cd           | 65.84lm          | 57.56c            | 67.64def            | 26.85ijklm        |
| 22 | DEKOKO 4    | 7.67<br>bc | 40mno       | 85hij       | 45mno         | 19jklmn<br>o  | 3abcd | 26.75abcdefyz       | 49.91hij      | 34.52abtuwv<br>yz     | 19.55defgh        | 58.95avw<br>xyz  | 38.29qrstuv<br>wx | 76.93abcdef         | 17.227ab          |

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| 23 | P313-086   | 8.33<br>ab | 70defg  | 135ab       | 65.7bcd        | 20hijkl       | 4abcd | 32.84mnopq          | 65.33s        | 38.34ghijklm          | 23.61tuvwxyz  | 48.28j              | 38.16qrstuv<br>wx | 112ijklmnop          | 25.053opqrs |
| 24 | G22 763-2c | 8.33<br>ab | 74c     | 134bcd      | 60gh           | 28ab          | 3abcd | 37.94hijkl          | 68.04q        | 38.73ghijk            | 21.46abcdz    | 50.90hi             | 43.92jklmno       | 102.63mnop<br>qrstu  | 26.3467lnmo |
| 25 | DEKOKO 5   | 7.67<br>bc | 39nopq  | 86fghij     | 47klmn         | 21ghij        | 4ab   | 17.99i              | 34.93n        | 22.67h                | 26.63klmnopqr | 40.78l              | 16.86f            | 89.70aqrstuv<br>wxyz | 7.92e       |
| 26 | DEKOKO 13  | 7.67<br>bc | 39nop   | 87fg        | 47.7klm        | 15rstuv       | 4ab   | 21.39fghi           | 46.93kl<br>m  | 35.94nopqrstuv<br>w   | 20.42cdef     | 53.98defg           | 35.37abcxyz       | 84.15bcdwxy<br>z     | 16.853ab    |
| 27 | P313-090   | 9ab        | 67hijk  | 132de       | 65bcd          | 14stuvw       | 3abcd | 28.76aqrstuvw<br>yz | 67.29qr       | 38.53fghijk           | 25.04pqrstuv  | 50.85i              | 48.27gh           | 96.73pqrstuv<br>wxyz | 25.93lmnop  |
| 28 | BURSA      | 7.33<br>bc | 69efgh  | 132de       | 63.7cdef       | 14stuvw       | 2cd   | 42.15efd            | 74.23lm       | 32.56abcdez           | 22.40abcxyz   | 56.09bcd            | 37.96qrstuv<br>wx | 107.29jklmn<br>opq   | 24.1667rst  |
| 29 | DEKOKO 14  | 7.33<br>bc | 38nopqr | 87fgh       | 48.3k          | 15rstuvw      | 4abc  | 30.25opqrstuvw      | 53.01bcd      | 37.81hijklmnop        | 25.27opqrstuv | 61.17pqrstu<br>v    | 41.47mnopq        | 70.87cdef            | 20.0433xy   |
| 30 | RAYA 1     | 9.67<br>a  | 40mn    | 86fghij     | 45.3lmno       | 24cdef        | 4ab   | 28.61arstuvwxy<br>z | 51.99def      | 31.10cdef             | 18.17efgh     | 60.69qrstuv<br>wxyz | 35.69abwxyz       | 104.34lomnp<br>qrs   | 16.17bc     |
| 31 | MARKOS     | 8.33<br>ab | 70def   | 134bcd      | 63.33def       | 24cdef        | 3bcd  | 46.99bc             | 88.11e        | 36.48klmnopqrs<br>tuv | 28.94fghijkl  | 65.91lm             | 50.75efg          | 146.57b              | 32.14ef     |
| 32 | MEGERI     | 7.33<br>bc | 68fghi  | 133cde      | 64.3bcde       | 18klmno<br>p  | 3bcd  | 36.01lmno           | 72.04no       | 36.98klmnopqr         | 25.09pqrstuv  | 54.30defg           | 41.41mnopq        | 86.96abcstuv<br>wxyz | 26.64klmn   |
| 33 | DEKOKO 41  | 8.33<br>ab | 39nopq  | 85ghij      | 46.7klmn       | 16opqrst<br>u | 3abcd | 36.01klmn           | 65.59rs       | 36.11lmnopqrst<br>uvw | 28.57ghijklm  | 76.87e              | 50.77efg          | 89.4arstuvw<br>yz    | 23.6833stu  |
| 34 | DEKOKO 6   | 8.33<br>ab | 39nopq  | 85ghij      | 46.33klmn<br>o | 29ab          | 4ab   | 38.04fghijkl        | 72.03no       | 34.04abwxyz           | 29.38efghij   | 84.74b              | 52.92de           | 76.67abcdef          | 24.5167qrs  |
| 35 | DEKOKO 19  | 8.33<br>ab | 38opqr  | 86fghij     | 48kl           | 13vw          | 3bcd  | 31.61opqrstu        | 63.08tu       | 36.53klmnopqrs<br>tuv | 29.38efghij   | 73.64fg             | 48.01ghi          | 85.16abcduv<br>wxyz  | 23.0467tuv  |
| 36 | DEKOKO 21  | 8.33<br>ab | 39nopq  | 87fg        | 48.3k          | 16opqrst<br>u | 4abcd | 34.03lomn           | 63.82stu      | 31.21cdef             | 24.90rstuvw   | 73.35g              | 41.21nopqr        | 76.72abcdef          | 19.9167xy   |
| 37 | DEKOKO 18  | 7.67<br>bc | 70defg  | 133bcd<br>e | 63.7cdef       | 18klmno<br>p  | 4abc  | 49.10ab             | 83.01mn       | 35.67opqrstuvw<br>x   | 31.21def      | 71.80ghi            | 53.65de           | 137.4bcde            | 34.1533cd   |
| 38 | P313-068   | 8.33<br>ab | 69efgh  | 133bcd<br>e | 64.7bcd        | 14stuvw       | 3abcd | 49.01ab             | 83.31g        | 34.84rstuvwxyz        | 27.34jklmnopq | 62.48nopqr          | 44.89ijklm        | 133.68bcdef<br>gh    | 29.0267h    |
| 39 | TEGENECH   | 7.33<br>bc | 38nopqr | 86fghij     | 47.7klm        | 13vw          | 3abcd | 28.90qrstuvwxy<br>z | 57.99axy<br>z | 30.88def              | 22.27abcxyz   | 67.44kl             | 3.57rstuvw<br>xy  | 68.06def             | 17.91az     |
| 40 | DEKOKO 3   | 7.67<br>bc | 37pqr   | 85hij       | 47.3klmn       | 16qrstuv      | 4ab   | 24.88abcdefgz       | 49.73hij      | 32.31bcde             | 20.38cdef     | 58.74wxyz           | 33.95abcyz        | 86.96abcstuv<br>wxyz | 16.0667bc   |



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| 41 | DEKOKO 43 | 7.67<br>bc | 80a     | 134bcd      | 54j      | 18klmno<br>p  | 3abcd | 40.75efgh          | 83.73g        | 38.26ghijklmn         | 21.71abcdyz   | 62.63nopqr        | 59.32bc            | 82.877abcde<br>yz      | 32.0333efg  |
| 42 | HOLETA    | 7.33<br>bc | 40mn    | 88f         | 47.3klmn | 20ijklm       | 4abcd | 27.84abtuvwxy<br>z | 48.88ij       | 30.61ef               | 17.56hi       | 55.76cd           | 31.62cd            | 67.82def               | 14.96cd     |
| 43 | DEKOKO 42 | 7.33<br>bc | 38nopqr | 85ghij      | 47klmn   | 17mnop<br>qr  | 4a    | 27.19abcvwxyz      | 47.99jkl      | 33.04abcdyz           | 19.44defgh    | 56.24bcd          | 33.73abcz          | 72.67abcdef            | 15.8567bc   |
| 44 | RAYA 2    | 8abc       | 40mno   | 86fghij     | 46.7klmn | 13vw          | 4abc  | 32.08opqr          | 61.10vw       | 35.65qrstuvw          | 25.64opqrstu  | 70.78hij          | 46.68hij           | 100.53nopqr<br>stuvwxy | 21.7833vw   |
| 45 | DEKOKO 36 | 7.67<br>bc | 74c     | 134abc      | 61fg     | 29a           | 2cd   | 45.51bcd           | 80.09i        | 31.05cdef             | 20.59bcde     | 59.47auvw<br>xyz  | 40.76opqrst        | 122efghijkl            | 24.8667pqrs |
| 46 | P313-045  | 8.33<br>ab | 39nopq  | 85ghij      | 46.7klmn | 18klmno<br>p  | 4abc  | 27.65abuvwxyz      | 52.97bcd      | 36.03lmnopqrst<br>uvw | 23.04abvwxyz  | 62.07nopqr<br>s   | 40.93opqrs         | 77.04cdef              | 19.0867yz   |
| 47 | DEKOKO 12 | 8abc       | 69efgh  | 134bcd      | 65.3bcd  | 14tuvw        | 3bcd  | 43.07cde           | 76.82jk       | 40.45defg             | 29.57efghi    | 57.32abcz         | 47.56ghij          | 106.19klmno<br>pqr     | 31.0733fg   |
| 48 | P313-070  | 7.67<br>bc | 39nop   | 87fgh       | 47.3klmn | 20hijkl       | 4ab   | 26.69abcdxyz       | 51.89def<br>g | 33.02abcdyz           | 20.63bcde     | 59.87stuvw<br>y   | 36.21abvwxy<br>z   | 71.27cdef              | 17.1333ab   |
| 49 | DEKOKO 23 | 8.67<br>ab | 38nopqr | 87fgh       | 49.3k    | 17nopqrs<br>t | 4abc  | 26.71abcdxyz       | 59.29wx       | 37.49klmnopqr         | 27.71hijklmno | 68.41jk           | 45.46hijk          | 81.67abccde<br>z       | 21.9733vw   |
| 50 | DEKOKO 11 | 8.33<br>ab | 70def   | 134abc<br>d | 64.3bcde | 23defgh       | 3abcd | 32.71mnopqr        | 68.91pq       | 34.58abstuvw<br>yz    | 21.90abcdyz   | 51.3hi            | 37.05tuvwxy<br>z   | 107.97jklmn<br>op      | 23.8333stu  |
| 51 | P313-071  | 8.33<br>ab | 37pqr   | 85ghij      | 48kl     | 22efghi       | 4abcd | 25.76abcdeyz       | 54.05b        | 36.92klmnopqrs        | 25.67oprqstu  | 63.38nop          | 41.59lmnopq        | 85.94abcuvw<br>xyz     | 19.9633xy   |
| 52 | DEKOKO 15 | 8.33<br>ab | 42m     | 85ghij      | 43.7o    | 18lmnop<br>q  | 4abc  | 21.24fghi          | 46.17lm       | 36.79klmnopqrs<br>t   | 17.80ghi      | 54.10defg         | 38.89pqrstuv<br>wx | 73.76abcdef            | 16.9833ab   |
| 53 | DEKOKO 24 | 8.33<br>ab | 38opqr  | 84ij        | 46.7klmn | 19ijklmn      | 4abcd | 24.44bcdefg        | 50.17fgh<br>i | 33.84abwxyz           | 21.05abcd     | 59.49atuvw<br>xyz | 36.38abuvw<br>yz   | 67.33def               | 16.9767ab   |
| 54 | DEKOKO 16 | 7.67<br>bc | 37pqr   | 84ij        | 47klmn   | 14stuvw       | 4abcd | 25.11abcdefgyz     | 50.0ghi       | 39.74efghi            | 25.02pqrstuv  | 59.28auvw<br>xyz  | 42.28lmnop         | 65.47ef                | 19.87xy     |
| 55 | DEKOKO 33 | 8.67<br>ab | 78ab    | 134bcd      | 56.33ij  | 21ghijk       | 3bcd  | 43.33cde           | 80.94hi       | 40.86cdef             | 23.99stuvwxy  | 60.40rstuv<br>wxy | 58.72bc            | 124.46cdefg<br>hij     | 33.0767de   |
| 56 | BILALOL   | 9ab        | 40mno   | 84ij        | 44.7no   | 14stuvw       | 4abcd | 36.59ijklm         | 75.08kl       | 35.58pqrstuvw         | 30.09defgh    | 89.03a            | 59.79bc            | 102.13mnop<br>qrstuv   | 26.71jklmn  |

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| 57 | DEKOKO 1  | 8.33<br>ab  | 37qr    | 85ghij      | 48.3k     | 18klmno<br>p  | 4abcd | 31.08pqrstuv        | 61.90uv       | 35.35qrstuvwxy        | 28.59hijklm   | 72.54ghi            | 45.28hijkl        | 77.83abcde            | 21.8833vw    |
| 58 | DEKOKO 27 | 7.67<br>bc  | 39nopqr | 85hij       | 46.3klmno | 16opqrst<br>u | 3abcd | 28.85qrstuvwxy<br>z | 53.93bc       | 31.39cdef             | 20.47cdef     | 63.69mno            | 36.55auvwxy<br>z  | 70.47cdef             | 16.93ab      |
| 59 | DEKOKO 22 | 8.33<br>ab  | 68ghij  | 134bcd      | 66bcd     | 20klmn        | 3abcd | 33.63mno            | 62.70tuv      | 44.79b                | 27.39ijklmnop | 46.90j              | 42.56klmnop       | 124.59cdefg<br>hij    | 28.0833hij   |
| 60 | P313-042  | 8.33<br>ab  | 39opqr  | 84ij        | 45.7klmno | 18klmno<br>p  | 4abc  | 23.05defgh          | 49.97ghi      | 37.73hijklmnop        | 22.27abcxyz   | 59.27auvw<br>xy     | 41.31mnopqr       | 71.48bcdef            | 18.8567yz    |
| 61 | DEKOKO 29 | 8.33<br>ab  | 38opqr  | 84ij        | 46.7klmn  | 15qrstuv      | 4abc  | 32.05opqrs          | 59.56wx       | 35.13qrstuvwxy        | 25.91opqrst   | 70.62ij             | 17.79wxy          | 84.08abcdxy<br>z      | 20.92wx      |
| 62 | DEKOKO 10 | 8.33<br>ab  | 39opq   | 85fghij     | 47klmn    | 19jklmn       | 4ab   | 33.12mnop           | 62.70tuv      | 40.01defgh            | 34.04c        | 81.69cd             | 59.59bc           | 98.37opqrstu<br>vwxyz | 28hijk       |
| 63 | DEKOKO 20 | 8.33<br>ab  | 39nop   | 84ij        | 45mno     | 18klmno<br>p  | 3abcd | 31.95nopqrst        | 67.86q        | 37.44klmnopq          | 29.06efghijk  | 80.46d              | 56.48cd           | 104.20mnop<br>qrst    | 25.4nopqr    |
| 64 | DEKOKO 17 | 8.33<br>ab  | 68fghi  | 133bcd<br>e | 65bcd     | 18klmno<br>p  | 4abcd | 40.18efghij         | 81.09hi       | 40.75def              | 31.43de       | 60.82qrstuv<br>w    | 50.84efg          | 147.11b               | 33.14ef      |
| 65 | P313-053  | 8.33<br>ab  | 39nopq  | 84ij        | 45.7klmno | 15rstuvw      | 4abcd | 24.67abcdefg        | 50.95efg<br>h | 37.35jklmnopq         | 22.47abcwxyz  | 60.41rstuv<br>wxy   | 41.70lmnopq       | 102.67mnop<br>qrstu   | 19.03yz      |
| 66 | DEKOKO 37 | 7.67<br>bc  | 45l     | 85hij       | 39.3p     | 19jklmn       | 4abcd | 27.13abcdvwxy<br>z  | 56.83az       | 37.01klmnopqr         | 18.25efgh     | 67.12kl             | 53.49de           | 116.19ijklmn<br>o     | 21.0333wx    |
| 67 | DEKOKO 39 | 7.67<br>bc  | 70def   | 135abc      | 64.3bcde  | 22eghi        | 2d    | 36.01klmn           | 75.01kl       | 41.88cde              | 28.73ghijklm  | 55.70cd             | 48.82fgh          | 123.32defghi<br>jk    | 31.4100      |
| 68 | BIRKITU   | 8.33<br>ab  | 38opqr  | 85ghij      | 47.7klm   | 18klmno<br>p  | 4abc  | 25.73abcdeyz        | 49.78hij      | 27.87g                | 17.56hi       | 58.34abxyz          | 29.12d            | 78.13abcde            | 13.8733d     |
| 69 | DEKOKO 32 | 8.67<br>ab  | 39opqr  | 84ij        | 45.7klmno | 19jklmn       | 4abcd | 25.22abcdefyz       | 52.02cde<br>f | 36.48klmnopqrs<br>tuv | 22.42abcxyz   | 61.68nopqr<br>stuvw | 41.57lmnopq       | 72.64abcdef           | 18.98yz      |
| 70 | DEKOKO 35 | 8abc        | 68fghi  | 134bcd      | 65.3bcd   | 20ijklm       | 3abcd | 49.53ab             | 97.67b        | 45.07b                | 42.09a        | 73.08gh             | 67.40a            | 141.38bc              | 44.0233a     |
| 71 | P313-059  | 8.66<br>7ab | 68fghi  | 135ab       | 66.7b     | 16qrstuv      | 2cd   | 30.27opqrstuvw<br>x | 65.17s        | 41.35cde              | 26.27mnopqrs  | 48.23j              | 40.39opqrst       | 118.75fghijkl<br>m    | 26.9267ijklm |
| 72 | P313-046  | 8.66<br>7ab | 38opqr  | 85hij       | 46.3klmno | 13vw          | 4abcd | 23.45cdefg          | 51.98def      | 32.47abcde            | 20.41cdef     | 61.39opqrst<br>u    | 36.45abuvwx<br>yz | 81.96abcdez           | 16.88ab      |

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|--------|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------|--------------|-------|-----------|---------|---------------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 73     | P313-003 | 8.66<br>7ab | 70defg | 135ab       | 65.7bcd | 12w          | 2cd   | 53.02a    | 113.46a | 36.02mnopqrstu<br>v | 38.51b       | 83.84bc   | 62.23b      | 117.36hijklm<br>n     | 40.8633b     |
| 74     | P313-061 | 8.66<br>7ab | 78ab   | 135abc      | 57.3hi  | 23defg       | 3abcd | 42.07def  | 85.92f  | 39.57efghij         | 25.10pqrstuv | 63.80mn   | 59.29bc     | 130.60bcdef<br>gh     | 33.9967cd    |
| 75     | P313-026 | 8abc        | 72cd   | 131e        | 59.7gh  | 17opqrs      | 2cd   | 35.83lmn  | 72.95mn | 38.53fghijk         | 23.40auvwxyz | 55.54cde  | 47.12ghij   | 101.48mnop<br>qrstuv  | 28.1033hi    |
| 76     | HASABE   | 8.33<br>ab  | 74c    | 133bcd<br>e | 59.7gh  | 15qrstuv     | 2cd   | 43.19cde  | 92.09d  | 37.98hijklmno       | 28.33hijklmn | 69.07jk   | 58.65bc     | 101.42mnop<br>qrstuvw | 34.9767c     |
| 77     | P313-089 | 8.33<br>ab  | 71de   | 132de       | 61.7efg | 18lmnop<br>q | 3abcd | 35.96klmn | 70.13op | 38.59fghijk         | 23.62tuvwxyz | 52.99fghi | 43.89jklmno | 76.2abbcd             | 27.0667ijklm |
| Mean   |          | 8.12        | 52.68  | 106.65      | 53.98   | 18.62        | 3.42  | 32.88     | 65.00   | 36.07               | 24.61        | 61.72     | 43.67       | 100.67                | 23.70        |
| Cv (%) |          | 6.03        | 1.14   | 0.61        | 1.53    | 4.46         | 14.67 | 3.59      | 0.85    | 1.86                | 2.88         | 1.11      | 2.46        | 5.07                  | 1.66         |

## Appendix 2. Combined analyses of variance for 14 traits of 77 field pea varieties tested using RCBD at Holeta in 2016/17.

| No | Name of samples | DTE     | DTF    | DTM     | GF       | PPP           | SPP  | BPP          | TBPP      | HI             | GPE        | BPR          | EGR               | WT               | GYP5           |
|----|-----------------|---------|--------|---------|----------|---------------|------|--------------|-----------|----------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 1  | GUME            | 8.33bcd | 61hijk | 133abc  | 71.3bcde | 7hijkl        | 5ab  | 48.21hijk    | 81.33no   | 30.78op        | 29.15opq   | 61.30nop     | 35.09nop          | 199.88abc        | 25.0400<br>nop |
| 2  | DEKOKO 26       | 8 bcd   | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 5klm          | 4abc | 38.34nopqr   | 48.90abc  | 9.75e          | 4.9g       | 49.90wx<br>y | 9.5ef             | 58.74uvwxy<br>z  | 4.7600yz       |
| 3  | P313-010        | 8.67bcd | 62fghi | 131de   | 68.3ghij | 17nopq<br>rst | 4abc | 36.72opqrs   | 67.29t    | 35.16ghij      | 25.91st    | 51.50uv<br>w | 34.57opq          | 166.13a          | 23.6333p       |
| 4  | Ek08023-1       | 8bcd    | 62ghij | 132abc  | 70.7cdef | 11bcd         | 3abc | 41.81lmn     | 86.75kl   | 41.42bc        | 41.18e     | 65.56jkl     | 39.35pqrstu<br>vw | 204.96ab         | 35.9300ef      |
| 5  | DEKOKO 9        | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 11bcd         | 5ab  | 39.5nopq     | 58.81v    | 25.08rs        | 15.51v     | 60.01opq     | 42.16klmno<br>p   | 64.67stuvw<br>xy | 14.7467r       |
| 6  | DEKOKO 7        | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 8fghij        | 4abc | 27.86abxyz   | 42.62fgh  | 28.81pq        | 12.62w     | 43.49cde     | 24.74t            | 66.21stuvw<br>xy | 12.2833s       |
| 7  | P313-027        | 8.33bcd | 64cdef | 132abcd | 68.3ghij | 8fghij        | 4abc | 41.47mno     | 75.93qr   | 36.60fghi      | 29.85nop   | 57.52qrs     | 40.67k            | 169.75hijkl<br>m | 27.7933kl      |
| 8  | DEKOKO 40       | 8bcd    | 49n    | 98f     | 49.3m    | 9cdefg        | 3bc  | 28.15axyz    | 38.93ijk  | 22.65stuvw     | 8.94axyz   | 39.72fgh     | 17.88wxy          | 71.36stuv        | 8.8200uv       |
| 9  | DEKOKO 31       | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 7ghijk        | 4abc | 22.88cdefgh  | 30.10rs   | 17.25ab        | 5.33fg     | 30.72op      | 48.87fgh          | 63.35stuvw<br>xy | 5.190yz        |
| 10 | DEKOKO 2        | 8.33bcd | 49n    | 98f     | 49.3m    | 7hijkl        | 3bc  | 23.28bcdefgh | 33.03opqr | 18.81ayz       | 6.3bcdefg  | 33.70lmn     | 12.9abcd          | 55.28wxyz        | 6.2133xy       |
| 11 | ADI             | 8.33bcd | 61ijkl | 133ab   | 72.3abcd | 8efghi        | 4abc | 63.83b       | 94.7ef    | 25.42r         | 28.72opqr  | 71.20ef      | 33.28pq           | 190.61bcdef      | 24.070op       |
| 12 | WOLMERA         | 8.33bcd | 60jkl  | 133abc  | 72abcd   | 9cdefg        | 3abc | 54.18cdef    | 106.21cd  | 34.75hij       | 44.04bcd   | 80.26c       | 1.25ef            | 172.65ghijkl     | 36.9033de      |
| 13 | MILKIY          | 9abc    | 61ijkl | 132abcd | 71.3bcde | 13b           | 4abc | 54.02cdef    | 106.55c   | 37.52fg        | 46.99a     | 80.72c       | 56.02bc           | 167.62hijkl<br>m | 39.9567ab      |
| 14 | DEKOKO 30       | 8.33bcd | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 9cdefg        | 4abc | 35.88qrst    | 50.97axyz | 15.45bc        | 8.09abcdyz | 52.0uvw      | 15.86xyz          | 61.81stuvw<br>xy | 7.8767vw       |
| 15 | MOHANDERFER     | 9.33ab  | 62ghij | 133abc  | 71.3bcde | 18a           | 4abc | 72.14a       | 121.03a   | 32.22klmn<br>o | 45.11ab    | 91.23a       | 54.66cd           | 175.68fghijk     | 38.9900bc      |

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|----|------------|---------|--------|---------|----------|-------------|------|--------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 16 | P313-082   | 9abc    | 58m    | 132bcd  | 74a      | 8efghi      | 4abc | 36.12qrst    | 72.73s    | 34.19ijkl  | 31.92lmn   | 55.24st      | 33.61pq    | 172.13ghijkl      | 24.87nop      |
| 17 | DEKOKO 8   | 7.67cd  | 49n    | 98f     | 49.3m    | 5klm        | 3bc  | 29.05awxyz   | 37.79jklm | 13.21cd    | 5.06fg     | 38.56ghi     | 10.12def   | 56.89vwxyz        | 4.993yz       |
| 18 | P313-067   | 8.33bcd | 62ghij | 132abcd | 70.3defg | 8efghi      | 4abc | 48.88ghij    | 90.98ghi  | 40.49cd    | 42.02cde   | 68.92fghi    | 52.38de    | 176.92fghij       | 36.8400e      |
| 19 | LATU       | 8bcd    | 60jkl  | 132abcd | 71.7bcde | 9cdefg      | 4abc | 55.86cde     | 92.99fg   | 30.93nop   | 34.17jkl   | 70.45efg     | 40.13kl    | 163.52jklmn       | 28.7600k      |
| 20 | DEKOKO 34  | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 8efghi      | 3abc | 38.66nopqr   | 51.09xyz  | 15.55bc    | 8.29abyz   | 52.78tuv     | 16.24xyz   | 63.61stuvwxy<br>y | 8.0667vw      |
| 21 | DEKOKO 25  | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 50m      | 6ijklm      | 3abc | 30.09uvwxy   | 45.14efd  | 17ab       | 7.99abcdz  | 45.91abc     | 15.26ayz   | 69.61stuvw        | 7.6800vw      |
| 22 | DEKOKO 4   | 8.33bcd | 48n    | 99f     | 50.3m    | 11bc        | 4abc | 52.70efgh    | 77.84pq   | 18.51az    | 15.02v     | 78.90c       | 28.63s     | 64.8stuvwxy       | 14.410r       |
| 23 | P313-086   | 8.67bcd | 65abcd | 131cde  | 66.7ijk  | 7hijkl      | 5ab  | 71.91a       | 104.93cd  | 23.80rst   | 25.74st    | 73.90c       | 37.46lmn   | 175.94fghijk      | 24.97nop      |
| 24 | G22 763-2c | 10.33a  | 65abcd | 132abc  | 67hijk   | 2410cd<br>e | 4abc | 58.73c       | 89.80hij  | 30.12opq   | 27.74pqrs  | 67.86ghij    | 40.37k     | 128.89qr          | 27.0433l<br>m |
| 25 | DEKOKO 5   | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 50m      | 7hijkl      | 3bc  | 36.17qrst    | 46.20cde  | 10.65e     | 31.93lmn   | 46.98abz     | 9.84ef     | 54.07xyz          | 4.9200yz      |
| 26 | DEKOKO 13  | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 50.3m    | 7hijkl      | 4abc | 53.98cdef    | 73.99rs   | 13.40cd    | 10.39wxy   | 75.25d       | 19.69vw    | 68.9stuvwxy       | 9.9133tu      |
| 27 | P313-090   | 8.67bcd | 64cdef | 133abc  | 69fgh    | 10cedf      | 3abc | 41.02mnop    | 87.98jkl  | 46.36a     | 44.21bc    | 66.32jk      | 59.11a     | 146.85op          | 40.7867a      |
| 28 | BURSA      | 8.33bcd | 60jkl  | 133abc  | 72.3abcd | 9efgh       | 4abc | 52.02cdef    | 89.00ijk  | 41.26bc    | 44.02bcd   | 67.09hijk    | 50.78efg   | 211.88a           | 36.7200e      |
| 29 | DEKOKO 14  | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 6ijklm      | 4abc | 22.78cdefgh  | 36.90klmn | 19.36axyz  | 7.34abcdef | 37.65hij     | 14.38abz   | 72.76ts           | 7.1433wx      |
| 30 | RAYA 1     | 8.33bcd | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 7ghijk      | 4abc | 33.92rstu    | 51.82axyz | 23.17rstu  | 12.34w     | 52.8tu       | 24.17tu    | 73.86st           | 12.0067s      |
| 31 | MARKOS     | 8bcd    | 63defg | 132abc  | 69fgh    | 7hijkl      | 4abc | 52.51egh     | 92.22fgh  | 37.27fgh   | 37.45gh    | 69.69fgh     | 49.82egh   | 211.42a           | 34.3733g<br>h |
| 32 | MEGERI     | 8bcd    | 59lm   | 132abcd | 72.6abc  | 6ijklm      | 4abc | 48.12hijk    | 75.28qrs  | 33.35jklmn | 30.75mno   | 57.03rs      | 34.55opq   | 165.86ijklm<br>n  | 25.1033n<br>o |
| 33 | DEKOKO 41  | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 50m      | 8efgh       | 3abc | 24.25abcdefg | 38.99ijk  | 22.81stuv  | 9.26axyz   | 39.79fgh     | 17.78wxy   | 72.49stu          | 8.8933uv      |
| 34 | DEKOKO 6   | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 4m          | 3c   | 44.91klm     | 55.11w    | 9.61e      | 5.45efg    | 56.23s       | 1066def    | 54.27xyz          | 5.2967yz      |
| 35 | DEKOKO 19  | 8bcd    | 49n    | 98f     | 49.3m    | 6ijklm      | 4abc | 19.96fghi    | 30.76qrs  | 19.23ayz   | 5.99bcdefg | 31.38no      | 11.99bcdef | 51.07yz           | 5.9167xyz     |
| 36 | DEKOKO 21  | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 7hijkl      | 4abc | 21.39efghi   | 31.14qr   | 25.41r     | 8.13abcdyz | 31.78no      | 15.93xyz   | 74.41s            | 7.9133vw      |
| 37 | DEKOKO 18  | 8.67bcd | 60jkl  | 37a     | 73ab     | 7hijkl      | 4abc | 50.47fghij   | 83.01mn   | 34.79hij   | 34.95ijk   | 62.26mn<br>o | 39.56klm   | 151.44nop         | 28.880k       |
| 38 | P313-068   | 8bcd    | 62efgh | 133ab   | 70.3defg | 6iklm       | 3abc | 53.91cdef    | 97.19e    | 40.08cde   | 43.72bcd   | 73.07de      | 55.39bc    | 195.76bcd         | 38.9567bc     |

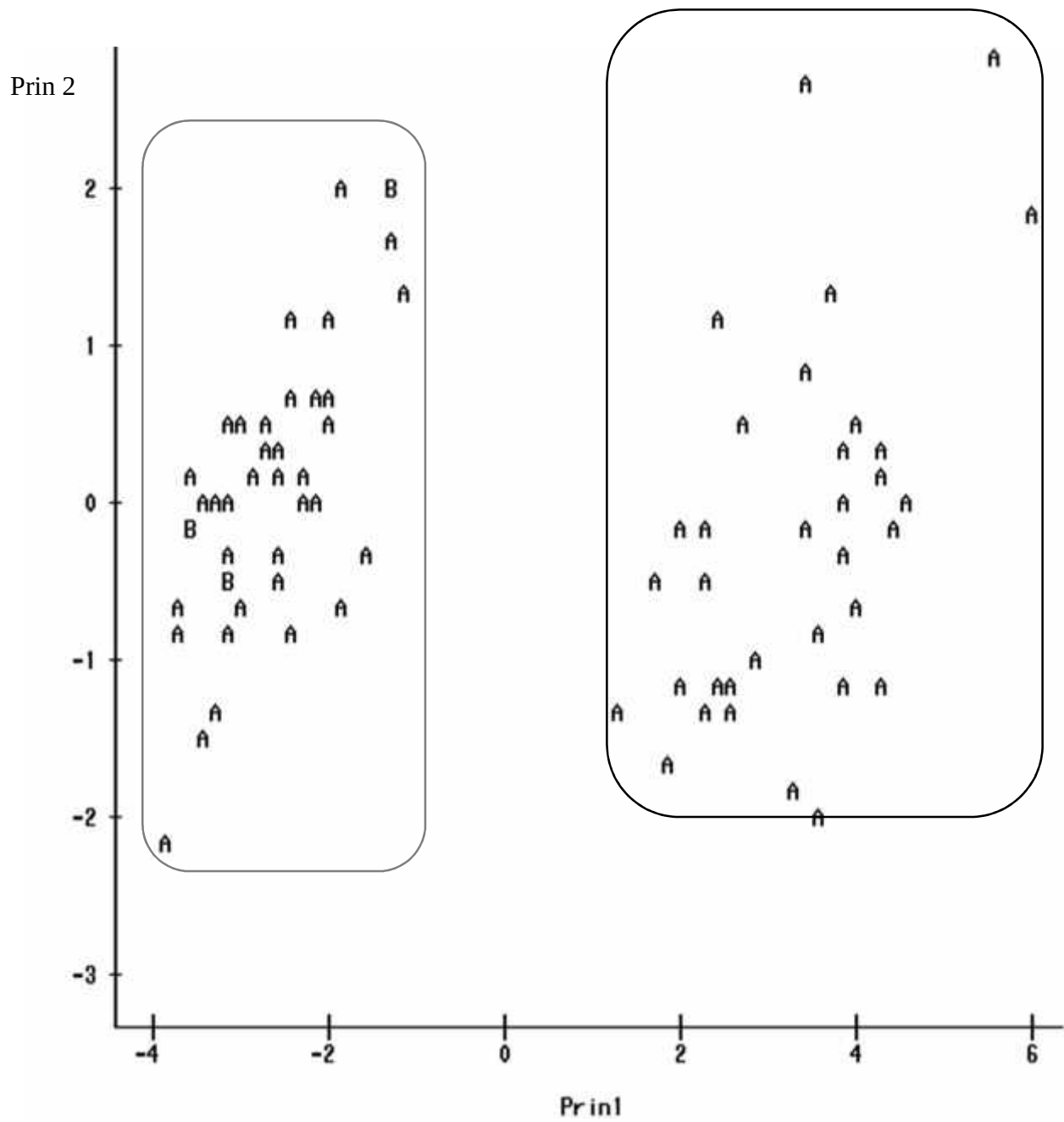
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| 39 | TEGENECH  | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.3m    | 4m      | 3bc  | 21.86efghi  | 31.14qr    | 19.04ayz       | 6.01bcdefg  | 31.78no       | 12.01bcde  | 59.50uvwxy<br>z  | 5.9267xyz |
| 40 | DEKOKO 3  | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 6ijklm  | 4abc | 20.06fghi   | 34.18nop   | 20.12xyz       | 7.05abcdefg | 34.87klm      | 13.80abcz  | 57.46uvwxy<br>z  | 6.8567wx  |
| 41 | DEKOKO 43 | 8.33bcd | 64bcde | 133ab   | 68.7fghi | 9defgh  | 5ab  | 33.11stuvw  | 63.16u     | 34.70ijk       | 23.39u      | 47.49ayz      | 31.91qr    | 118.44r          | 21.9133q  |
| 42 | HOLETA    | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 6jklm   | 4abc | 36.03qrst   | 49.84abyz  | 9.68e          | 4.96g       | 50.86uw<br>x  | 9.71ef     | 62.95stuvw<br>y  | 4.8267yz  |
| 43 | DEKOKO 42 | 8bcd    | 49n    | 98f     | 49m      | 6jklm   | 4abc | 36.23qrst   | 48.99abcdz | 14.45c         | 7.12abcdefg | 50.17vw<br>xy | 14.44abz   | 59.7stuvwxy      | 7.0733wx  |
| 44 | RAYA 2    | 8.67bcd | 49n    | 98f     | 49m      | 6ijklm  | 4abc | 26.65abcdyz | 38.19jkl   | 15.59bc        | 5.95bcefg   | 38.97gh       | 12.14bcde  | 56.13vwxyz       | 5.9533xyz |
| 45 | DEKOKO 36 | 8.33bcd | 63defg | 132abcd | 68.7fghi | 8fghij  | 4abc | 52.08efgh   | 90.00hij   | 36.57fghi      | 35.69hij    | 68.18ghij     | 47.93hi    | 158.22lmno       | 32.9133hi |
| 46 | P313-045  | 8bcd    | 49n    | 98f     | 49.3m    | 5lm     | 3abc | 21.52efghi  | 34.94mnop  | 17.04ab        | 6.04bcdefg  | 35.65jkl      | 12.07bcde  | 56.25vwxyz       | 5.953xyz  |
| 47 | DEKOKO 12 | 8.67bcd | 60jkl  | 133abc  | 72.3abcd | 9cdefg  | 3abc | 55.41cde    | 92.04fgh   | 37.93ef        | 41.87de     | 69.37fgh      | 48.27gh    | 168.96hijkl<br>m | 34.9133gf |
| 48 | P313-070  | 8.33bcd | 49n    | 98f     | 49m      | 6ijlm   | 3bc  | 35.14qrstu  | 50.16abyz  | 11.75de        | 5.89cdefg   | 51.18uv<br>wx | 12.03bcde  | 59.10tuvwxy<br>z | 5.8933xyz |
| 49 | DEKOKO 23 | 7.67cd  | 49n    | 98f     | 49.3m    | 9defgh  | 4abc | 52.67efgh   | 68.87t     | 14.31c         | 9.99xyz     | 70.27fg       | 19.98vw    | 62.02stuvw<br>y  | 9.8567tu  |
| 50 | DEKOKO 11 | 8.67bcd | 66ab   | 132abcd | 63.3jk   | 9cdefg  | 5ab  | 66.73b      | 110.16b    | 34.81hij       | 38.74fg     | 83.45b        | 57.81ab    | 180.25efghi      | 38.3433cd |
| 51 | P313-071  | 7.67cd  | 48n    | 98f     | 50m      | 5lm     | 3c   | 25.47abcdez | 35.23lmno  | 13.24cd        | 4.85g       | 35.94ijkl     | 9.33f      | 44.76z           | 4.6633z   |
| 52 | DEKOKO 15 | 8.33bcd | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 7ghijk  | 4abc | 2.90awxyz   | 42.03gh    | 18.95ayz       | 8.18abcyz   | 42.88de       | 16.04xyz   | 62.9stuvwxy      | 7.9633vw  |
| 53 | DEKOKO 24 | 7.33d   | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 7hijkl  | 4abc | 27.31abcxyz | 37.91jkl   | 15.52bc        | 6.05bcdefg  | 38.68gh       | 11.85bcdef | 54.63wxyz        | 5.8867xyz |
| 54 | DEKOKO 16 | 8.33bcd | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 7ghijk  | 4abc | 35.06qrstu  | 53.91wx    | 20.27wxyz      | 11.23wx     | 55.0st        | 21.99uv    | 68.60stuvw       | 10.9233st |
| 55 | DEKOKO 33 | 8.33bcd | 66ab   | 133abc  | 66.3jk   | 7ghijkl | 4abc | 46.55jkl    | 92.10fgh   | 49.21b         | 39.80ef     | 69.42fgh      | 60.00a     | 175.61fghijk     | 39.8abc   |
| 56 | BILALOL   | 8.33bcd | 48n    | 98f     | 50m      | 7hijkl  | 4abc | 17.76i      | 27.97s     | 20.51vwxy<br>z | 5.97bcdefg  | 28.53p        | 11.47cdef  | 59.39stuvw<br>yz | 5.7367xyz |
| 57 | DEKOKO 1  | 8.33bcd | 49n    | 98f     | 49m      | 7ghijk  | 4abc | 55.23cdef   | 67.26t     | 13.34cd        | 8.97axyz    | 68.64fghi     | 18.32wx    | 59.81stuvw<br>yz | 8.9767uv  |

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| 58 | DEKOKO 27 | 8.33bcd | 49n    | 98f     | 49m      | 8fghi  | 3abc | 24.40abcdef | 40.40hij  | 14.45c      | 5.83defg    | 41.23efg  | 11.89bcdef | 61.56stuvwxy  | 5.83xyz       |
| 59 | DEKOKO 22 | 8bcd    | 60kl   | 131cde  | 71.7bcde | 7ghijk | 4abc | 48.43hijk   | 83.04mn   | 33.67jklm   | 33.58jkl    | 63.23lmn  | 39.02klm   | 160.77klmno   | 27.960kl      |
| 60 | P313-042  | 8.33bcd | 49n    | 98f     | 49m      | 5lmn   | 5ab  | 22.36defghi | 36.56klmn | 21.23uvwxy  | 7.763abcdez | 37.30hijk | 15.84xyz   | 65.45uvwxyz   | 7.7633vw      |
| 61 | DEKOKO 29 | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 50m      | 7ghijk | 5ab  | 31.68tuvwxy | 47.85bcd  | 18.59az     | 9.12axyz    | 48.65xyz  | 33.61pq    | 68.77stuvwxy  | 8.8967uv      |
| 62 | DEKOKO 10 | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 5klm   | 4abc | 19.25hi     | 33.06opq  | 18.12az     | 6.16bcdefg  | 33.73lmn  | 12.07bcde  | 65.73stuvwxy  | 5.9933xyz     |
| 63 | DEKOKO 20 | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49m      | 6jklm  | 4bc  | 21.24efghi  | 32.01pqr  | 18.65az     | 6.14bcdefg  | 32.66mno  | 12.02bcde  | 68.71stuvwxy  | 5.9700xyz     |
| 64 | DEKOKO 17 | 8bcd    | 60jkl  | 132abcd | 71.7bcde | 7ghijk | 5a   | 58.24cd     | 90.99ghi  | 38.26def    | 41.36e      | 68.93fghi | 48.58fgh   | 194.71bcde    | 34.8133fg     |
| 65 | P313-053  | 8bcd    | 49n    | 98f     | 49m      | 7ghijk | 3abc | 29.81vwxyz  | 43.85efg  | 18.15az     | 7.96abcdz   | 44.74bcd  | 16.24xyz   | 56.32vwxyz    | 7.960vw       |
| 66 | DEKOKO 37 | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 8fghij | 4abc | 38.12nopqr  | 51.96xy   | 17.42ab     | 9.30axyz    | 53.02tu   | 18.23wx    | 60.10stuvwxyz | 9.050uv       |
| 67 | DEKOKO 39 | 8bcd    | 62fghi | 132abcd | 69.7efg  | 8fghij | 5ab  | 63.76b      | 103.57d   | 31.79lmno   | 36.75ghi    | 78.46c    | 47.22hi    | 181.26defgh   | 32.89i        |
| 68 | BIRKITU   | 8bcd    | 48n    | 98f     | 50m      | 7hijkl | 3abc | 27.33abcxyz | 41.06ghi  | 14.35c      | 6.14bcdefg  | 41.89ef   | 11.79bcdef | 59.49stuvwxyz | 5.8933xyz     |
| 69 | DEKOKO 32 | 8.67bcd | 48n    | 98f     | 49.7m    | 7hijkl | 4abc | 19.57ghi    | 32.03pqr  | 21.86tuvwxy | 7.19abcdefg | 32.67mno  | 14.10abcz  | 63.44stuvwxyz | 7.0wx         |
| 70 | DEKOKO 35 | 8.67bcd | 60jkl  | 131cde  | 71.3bcde | 7hijkl | 4abc | 41.91lmn    | 80.13nop  | 34.90hij    | 33.07klm    | 61.01nop  | 39.21klm   | 166.78ijklm   | 27.97kl       |
| 71 | P313-059  | 8.33bcd | 60kl   | 132abcd | 72.3abcd | 7ghijk | 4abc | 55.92cde    | 87.98jkl  | 28.22q      | 30.10no     | 66.65ijk  | 34.33pq    | 166.87hijklm  | 24.833no<br>p |
| 72 | P313-046  | 8bcd    | 49n    | 98f     | 49.3m    | 6jklm  | 4abc | 34.28srtuv  | 50.98axyz | 13.92cd     | 7.19abcdefg | 52.02uvw  | 14.39abz   | 58.84tuvwxyz  | 24.8333w<br>x |
| 73 | P313-003  | 8.67bcd | 63efgh | 132abc  | 697efg   | 8efghi | 4abc | 53.38efg    | 91.02ghi  | 28.47pq     | 28.81opqr   | 68.78fghi | 37.21mno   | 120.41r       | 25.9133m<br>n |
| 74 | P313-061  | 8.67bcd | 66ab   | 132abcd | 66k      | 11bcd  | 4abc | 53.77def    | 80.00op   | 31.36mno    | 25.09tu     | 60.61nop  | 38.02klm   | 155.52mnop    | 25.1nop       |
| 75 | P313-026  | 8.33bcd | 63efgh | 132abc  | 69.7efg  | 7ghijk | 4abc | 47.57ijk    | 82.72mno  | 28.82pq     | 26.51rst    | 62.51mno  | 34.23pq    | 179.61efghi   | 23.8467o<br>p |

|        |          |         |        |        |          |        |       |            |         |           |           |          |         |            |           |
|--------|----------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|-------|------------|---------|-----------|-----------|----------|---------|------------|-----------|
| 76     | HASABE   | 9abc    | 64cdef | 132abc | 68.7fghi | 10cde  | 4abc  | 51.58efghi | 85.34lm | 36.53fghi | 33.62jkl  | 64.48klm | 45.40ij | 142.34pq   | 31.1733j  |
| 77     | P313-089 | 8.67bcd | 66ab   | 130e   | 63.71    | 7ghijk | 4abc  | 48.11hijk  | 76.89qr | 36.40fghi | 26.87qrst | 59.15pqr | 43.97j  | 160.16lmno | 27.9933kl |
| Mean   |          | 8.26    | 54.53  | 113.10 | 58.58    | 7.59   | 3.84  | 40.18      | 64.11   | 25.05     | 19.69     | 55.04    | 28.02   | 109.97     | 17.86     |
| Cv (%) |          | 4.76    | 1.02   | 0.35   | 1.11     | 7.91   | 13.62 | 3.43       | 1.32    | 2.88      | 3.40      | 1.41     | 2.73    | 3.96       | 2.34      |



Appendix 3. Plot showing pri 1 and pri 2



Appendix 4. Correlation of disease with six determinant traits

| CHARACTERS  | CHARACTERS |         |         |         |         |        |        |      |
|-------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|------|
|             | AB         | PW      | GF      | PPP     | SPP     | TBPP   | WT     | GYP  |
| <b>AB</b>   | 1.00       |         |         |         |         |        |        |      |
| <b>PW</b>   | 0.29*      | 1.00    |         |         |         |        |        |      |
| <b>GF</b>   | 0.07*      | 0.35**  | 1.00    |         |         |        |        |      |
| <b>PPP</b>  | -0.28ns    | -0.05ns | -0.02ns | 1.00    |         |        |        |      |
| <b>SPP</b>  | 0.001ns    | -0.15ns | -0.23*  | -0.10ns | 1.00    |        |        |      |
| <b>TBPP</b> | -0.03ns    | 0.54**  | 0.45**  | 0.47**  | -0.30** | 1.00   |        |      |
| <b>WT</b>   | -0.08ns    | 0.57**  | 0.27*   | 0.37**  | -0.30** | 0.86** | 1.00   |      |
| <b>GYP</b>  | -0.08ns    | 0.57**  | 0.28**  | 0.37**  | -0.31** | 0.95** | 0.88** | 1.00 |

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