

New technologies for large scale phenotyping at the Wageningen UR Phenomics Innovation and Demonstration Centre

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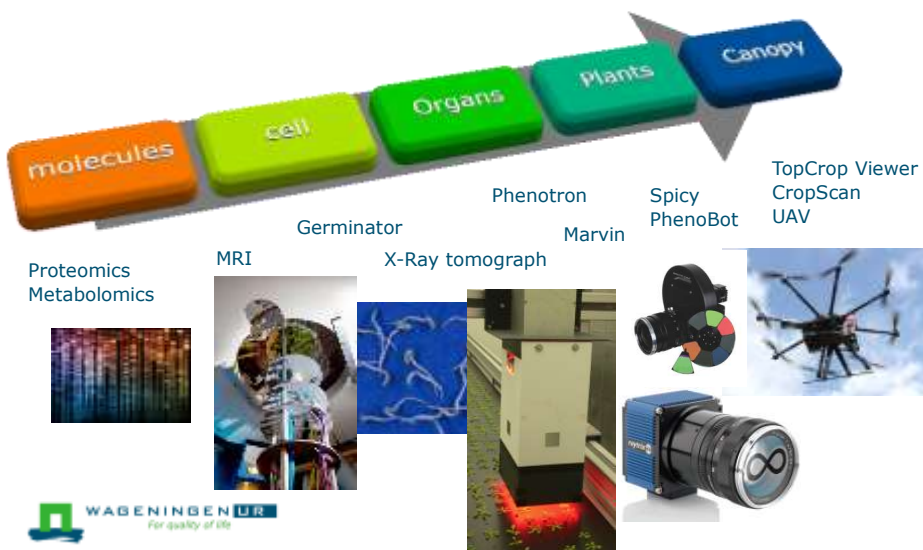
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- A university plus R&D organisation for innovation in the agrifood sector.
- Working with industry, governmental authorities and other knowledge institutes

- 6.500 employees
- 10.000 students
- 100 countries



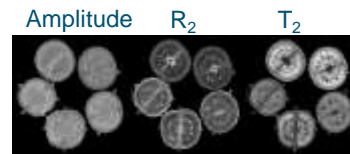
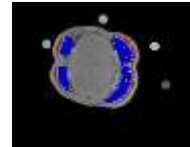
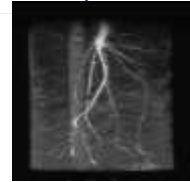
Phenotyping: molecular – canopy level



(portable) NMR / MRI and phenotyping

(Henk Van As, Lab. of Biophysics and Wageningen NMR Centre)

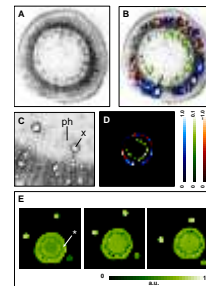
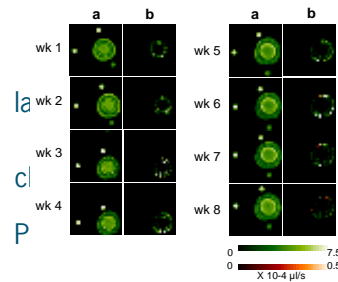
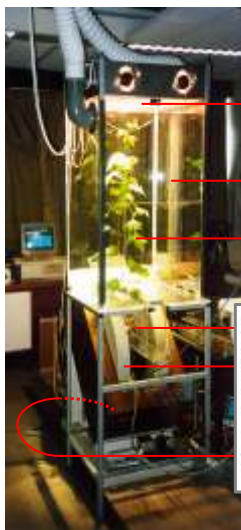
- Anatomy
- Internal parameters: **transport traits** (xylem and phloem; cell-to-cell), water content in different tissues
- Dynamics:
 - growth and (stress) adaptation
 - source-sink manipulations: light, tuber / fruit development, drought, anoxia, flooding
- Information from different organs (roots, stem, fruits, leaves, ..)



<http://www.wageningenur.nl/en/Expertise-Services/Facilities/Wageningen-NMR-Centre/Our-facilities-1/Plants.htm>



Plant MRI and phenotyping: system I



Plant Physiology[®], October 2009, Vol. 151, pp. 830–842

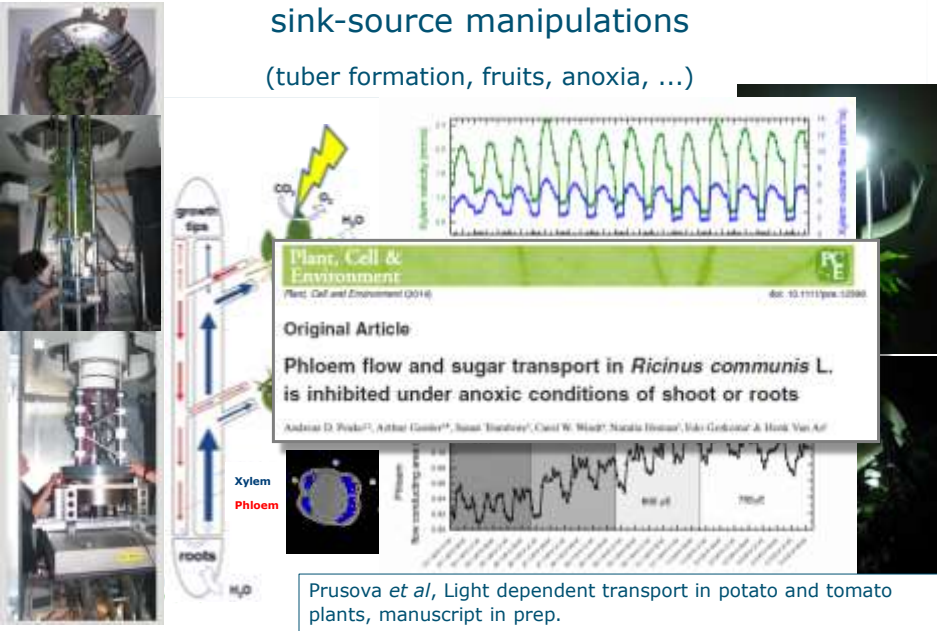
Most Water in the Tomato Truss Is Imported through the Xylem, Not the Phloem: A Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Flow Imaging Study^{[W]IOA}

Carel W. Windt¹*, Edo Gerkenma, and Henk Van As
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Dedicated Plant MRI system II: effect of light, sink-source manipulations

(tuber formation, fruits, anoxia, ...)



Prusova *et al*, Light dependent transport in potato and tomato plants, manuscript in prep.

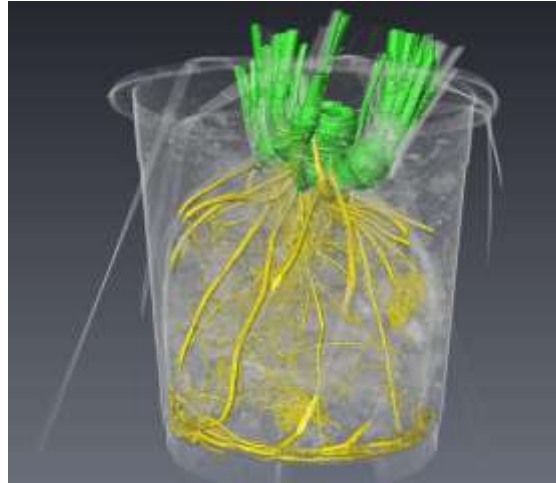
WUR X-ray tomography facility

- CAT-AgroFood microCT centre operational April 2013
 - XRT Phoenix v[tome]x m GE
 - Two X-ray sources
 - High Resolution ($\geq 0.8 \mu\text{m}$)
 - Large Sample Size (40cm/50kg)
- Broad range of applications
 - structure-function relations
 - Foods, bio-based materials
 - soil, roots,
 - plants, seeds,
 - insects , ...

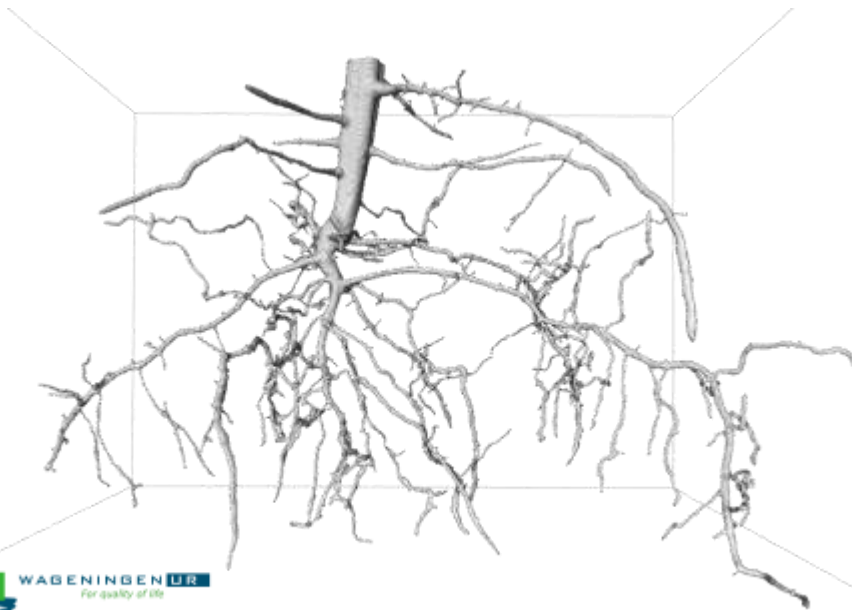


Root morphology

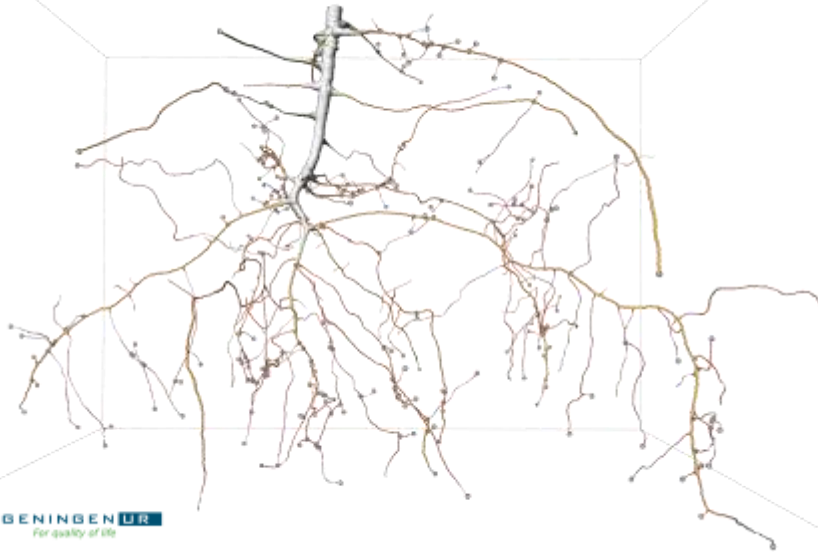
- Non-destructive characterisation of root structure
- Roots can be identified despite denser soil surrounding
- However, contrast of root with water is a challenge



3D root binary voxel space



3D spatial graph with thickness



GERMINATOR: High throughput scoring and analysis of seed germination

- Cost effective system with high accuracy
- Species independent (as long as there is enough color contrast between seed coat and radicle)
- Flexible setup (in number of samples and environments)
- Optimized experimental design (randomization of samples)
- Automatically visualizes and summarize results with graphs and statistics




<http://www.wageningenseedlab.nl/germinator>

GERMINATOR: results

TECHNICAL ADVANCE
GERMINATOR: a software package for high-throughput scoring and curve fitting of Arabidopsis seed germination

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Article first published online: 22 DEC 2009

The Plant Journal
 Volume 62, Issue 1, pages 148–159, April 2010

Evolutionary
Visualizing the Genetic Landscape of Arabidopsis Seed Performance^[103114]

Plant Physiology 2012

Wagner C. Jensen, and Hans W.M. Hilhorst

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Distinct Cell Wall Architectures in Seed Endosperms in Representatives of the Brassicaceae and Solanaceae^[103115]

Plant Physiology 2012

Alonso J.B. Lee, Rui J.W. Chikara, Eric Schneider¹, Hong S. Oh, and Paul I. Kravetz²

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Natural Variation for Seed Longevity and Seed Dormancy Are Negatively Correlated in Arabidopsis^[103116]

Plant Physiology 2012

The-Pyeong Nguyen, Paul Krenn, Fred van Steenis, Nef Anagnostou, and Lutz Roessigk¹

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Plant, Cell & Environment

Complex genetics controls natural variation among seed quality phenotypes in a recombinant inbred population of an interspecific cross between *Solanum lycopersicum* × *Solanum pimpinellifolium*

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 Volume 35, Issue 5, pages 929–951, May 2012

Phenotyping seedlings - imaging

- MARVIN – 3D based seedling sorting

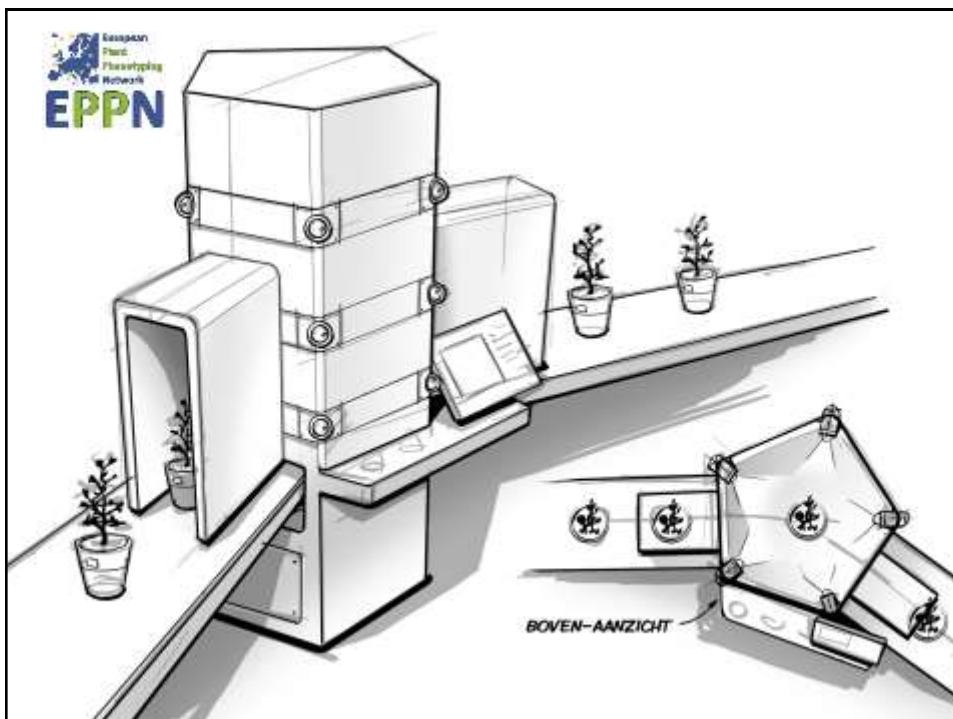
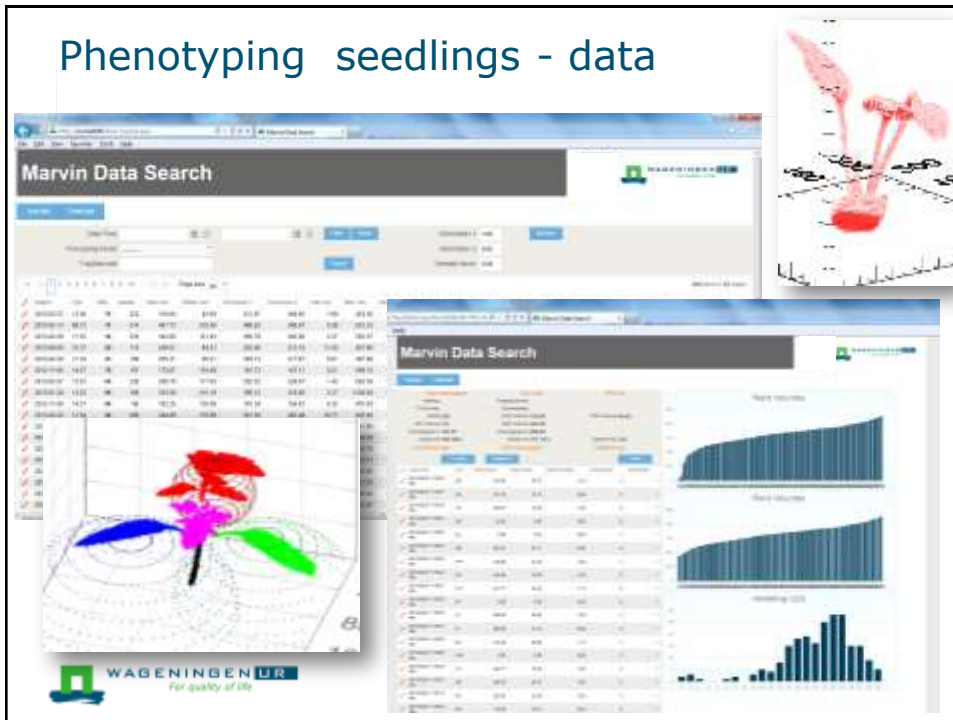
MARVIN: high speed 3D imaging for seedling classification

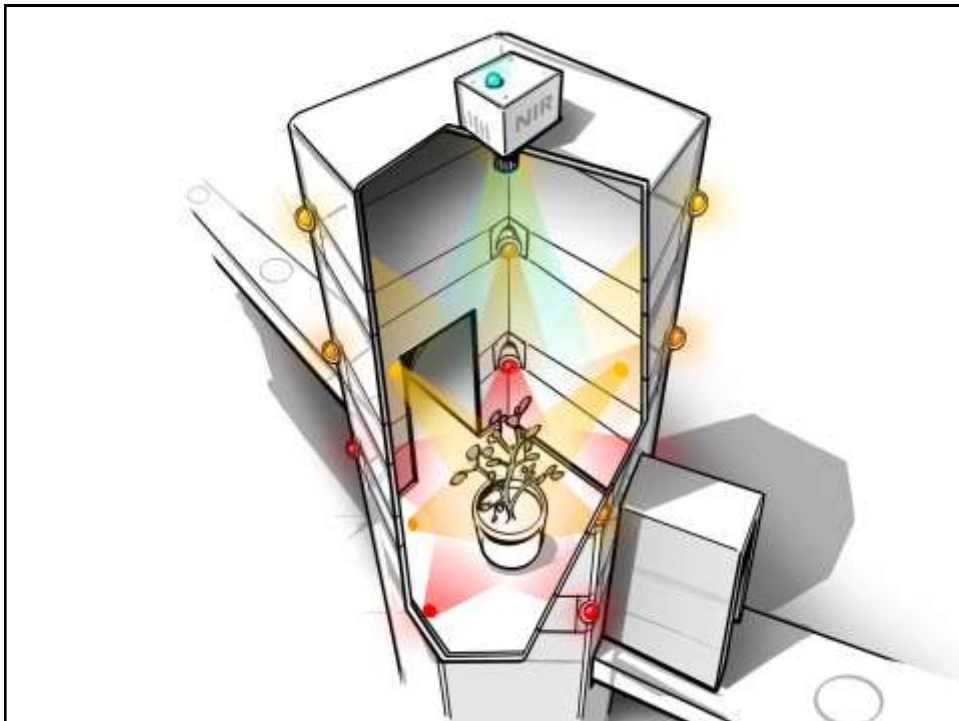
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Abstract

The next generation of automated sorting machines for seedlings demands 3D models of the plants to be made at high speed and with high accuracy. In our system the 3D plant model is created based on the information of 24 RGB cameras. Our contribution is an image acquisition technique

Phenotyping seedlings - data







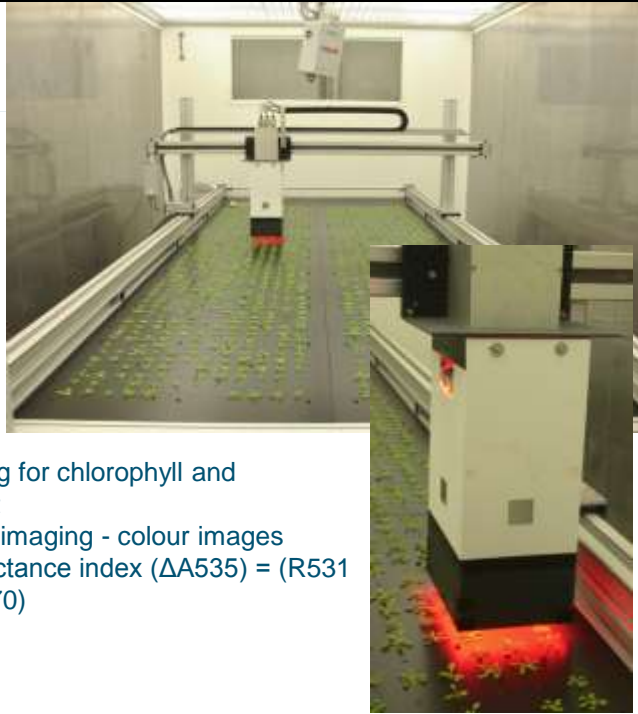
Plant architecture:

- Biomass estimation
- Length main stem
- # side stems
- Leaf angle/ length
- Leaf shape
- Internode length(s)
- Individual leaf areas



PhenoTron

- chlorophyll fluorescence; F_0 , F_0' , F_m , F_m' , F_s - for F_v/F_m ,
- NPQ and $\Phi PSII$ (etc) imaging
- NIR imaging: day and night plant imaging
- narrow band imaging for chlorophyll and anthocyanin content
- red, green and blue imaging - colour images
- photochemical reflectance index ($\Delta A535$) = $(R531 - R570)/(R531 + R570)$



PhenoTron



- 1440 plants - every plant is fixed and registered
- c. 60 minutes to image every plant $\Phi PSII$ at growth irradiance
- typically 25 days per run
- about 100 GB data per run
- one PhD student has imaged about 20.000 plants



SPICY: Smart tools for Prediction and Improvement of Crop Yield

- Develop tools to predict phenotypic response of a genotype under a range of environmental conditions:
 - Molecular tools
 - Analysis tools
 - Phenotyping tools
 - Applied to pepper

- <http://www.spicyweb.eu>



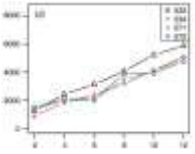
SPICY: Phenotyping tools



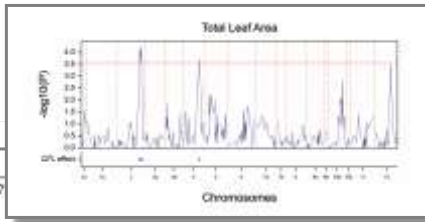
4* IR, Colour, Range (ToF) cameras



SPICY: results



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Functional Plant Biology, 2012, 39, 870-877
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SPICY: towards automated phenotyping of large pepper plants in the greenhouse

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Automated estimation of leaf area development in sweet pepper plants from image analysis

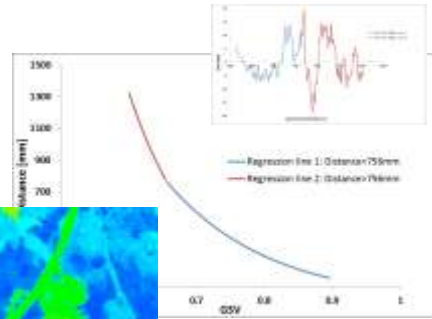
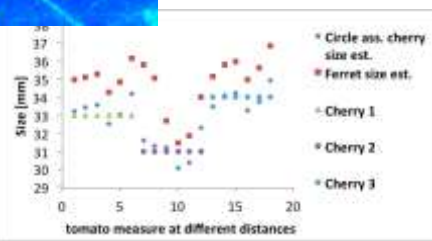
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PhenoBot – Robotised trolley with 3D lightfield camera

PhenoBot – Greenhouse measurements






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Phenotyping large tomato plants in the greenhouse using a 3D light-field camera

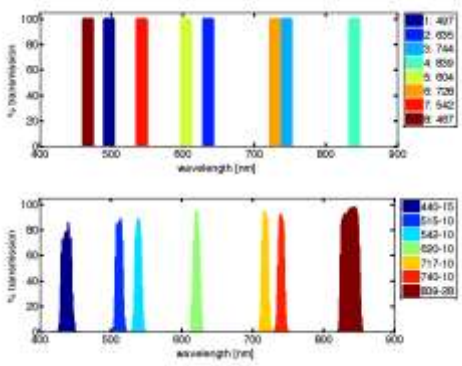

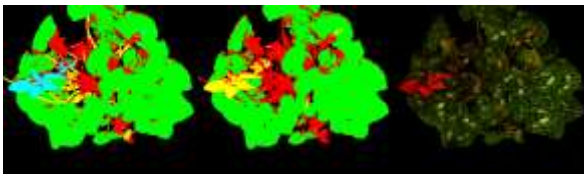

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A Spectral Imaging System for Detection of *Botrytis* in Greenhouses

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Automatic plant counter in open field



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Machine Vision for plant phenotyping

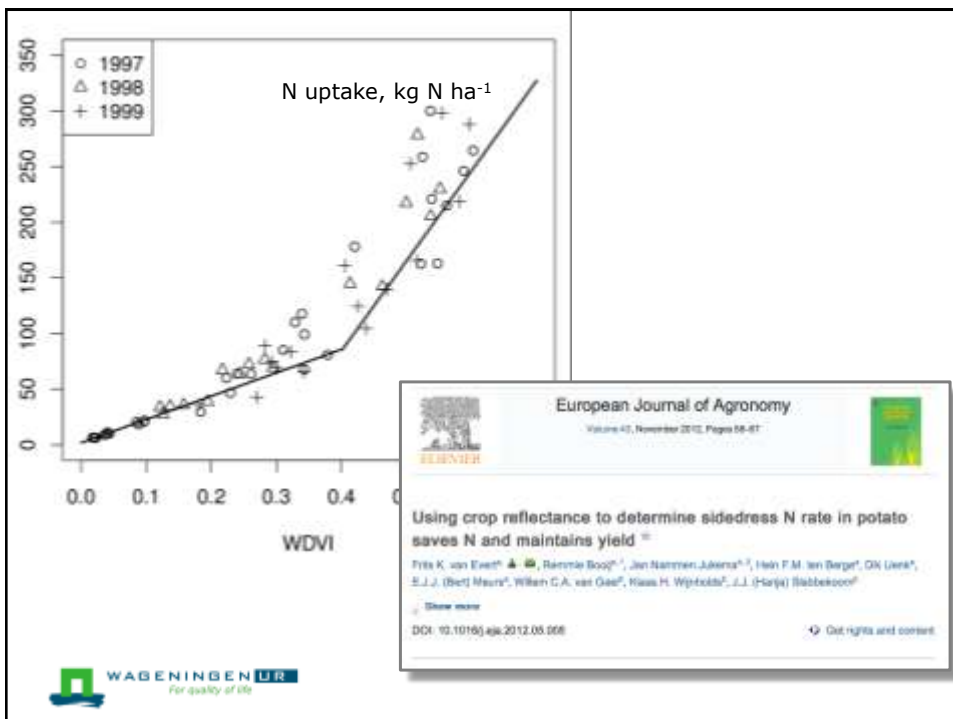
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CropScan

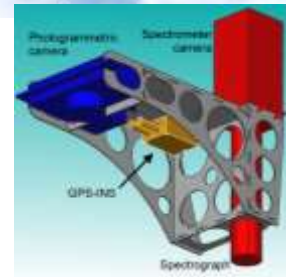
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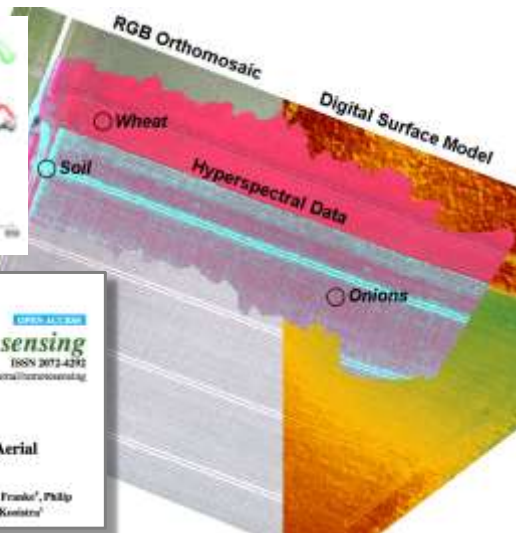
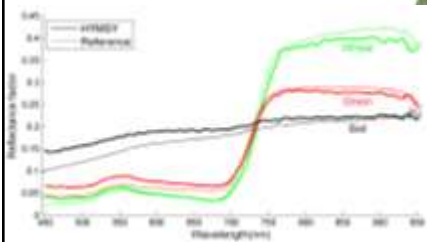
Hyperspectral Mapping from UAV



- Aerialtronics Altura AT8
 - Programmable autonomous flight
 - 2kg payload
 - 5-10 min flight time
- Pushbroom spectrograph
 - Specim V10
 - 450-950nm
 - FWHM 9nm
 - 20 lines/s
- Consumer RGB camera
- GPS/Inertia navigation System
 - Accuracy: 4m / 0.25°



Products Experimental Arable Field



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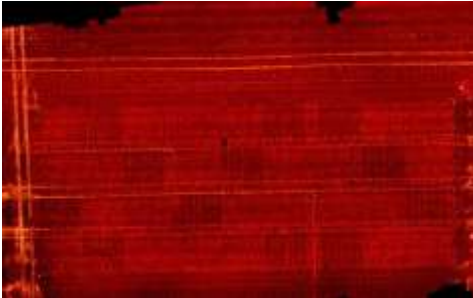
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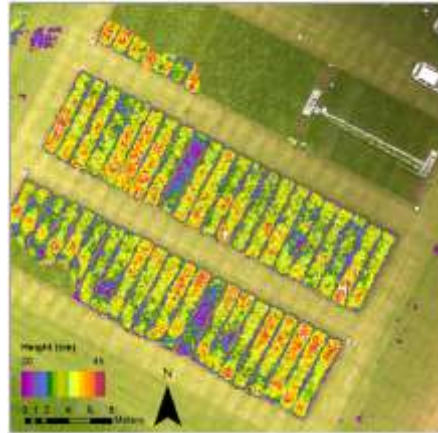
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Examples field trails 2014



Grassland 60 fields: 12
nutrient levels (incl org)
UAV data products and 8
traits



Winter wheat 160 fields: three
varieties, four nutrient levels
UAV data products and 10+
traits

More information: www.wageningen-ur.nl/uarsf



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