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# Intelligent Agricultural Production System based on Climate, Crop, and Field Information

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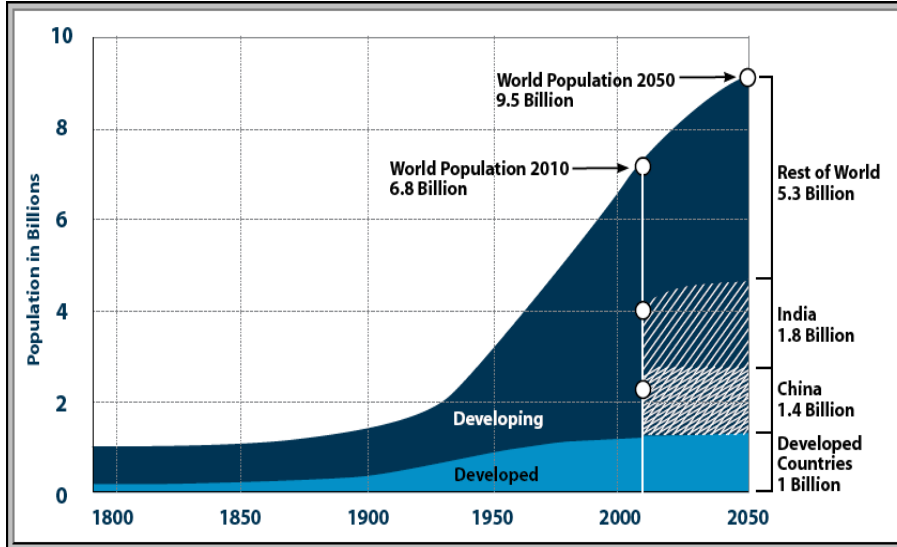
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# Issues in Agriculture

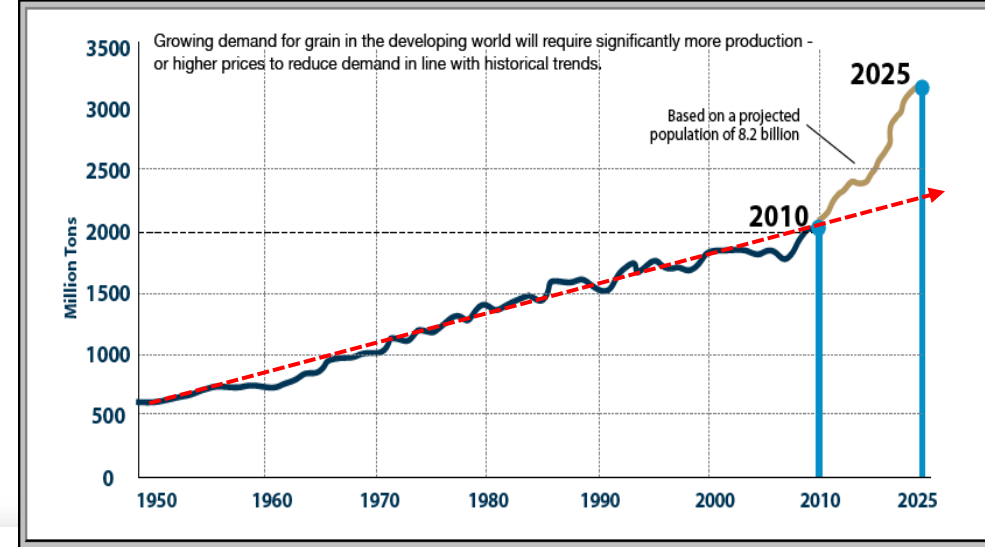


# World Population Growth

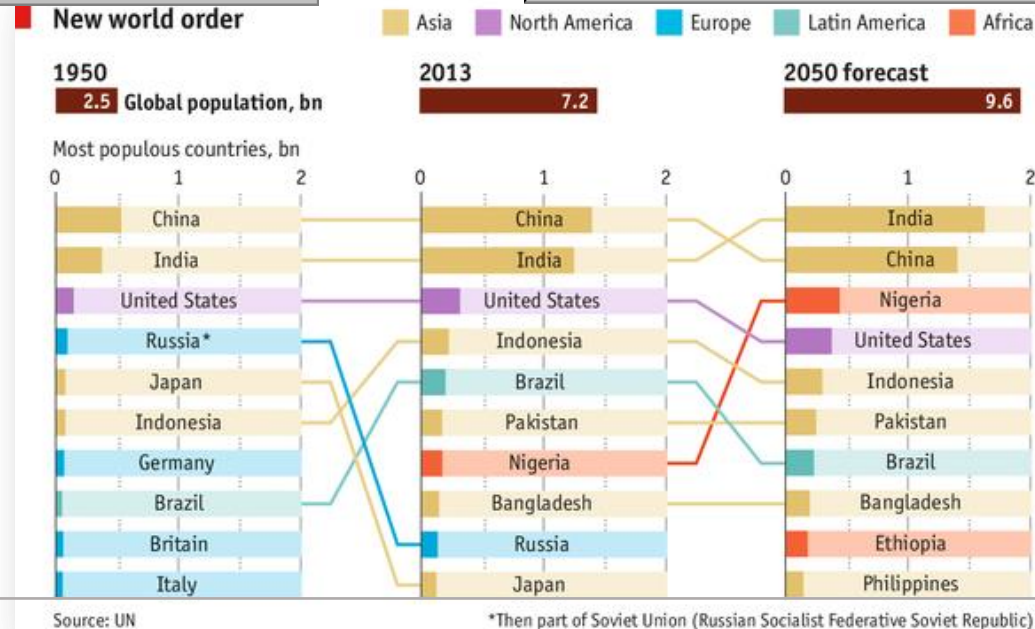
## ❖ World population growth



## ❖ Increased demand for food production



(source: writings.basiliochen.com)



(source: www.economist.com)

# Food Safety

## ❖ Pesticide residue in foods

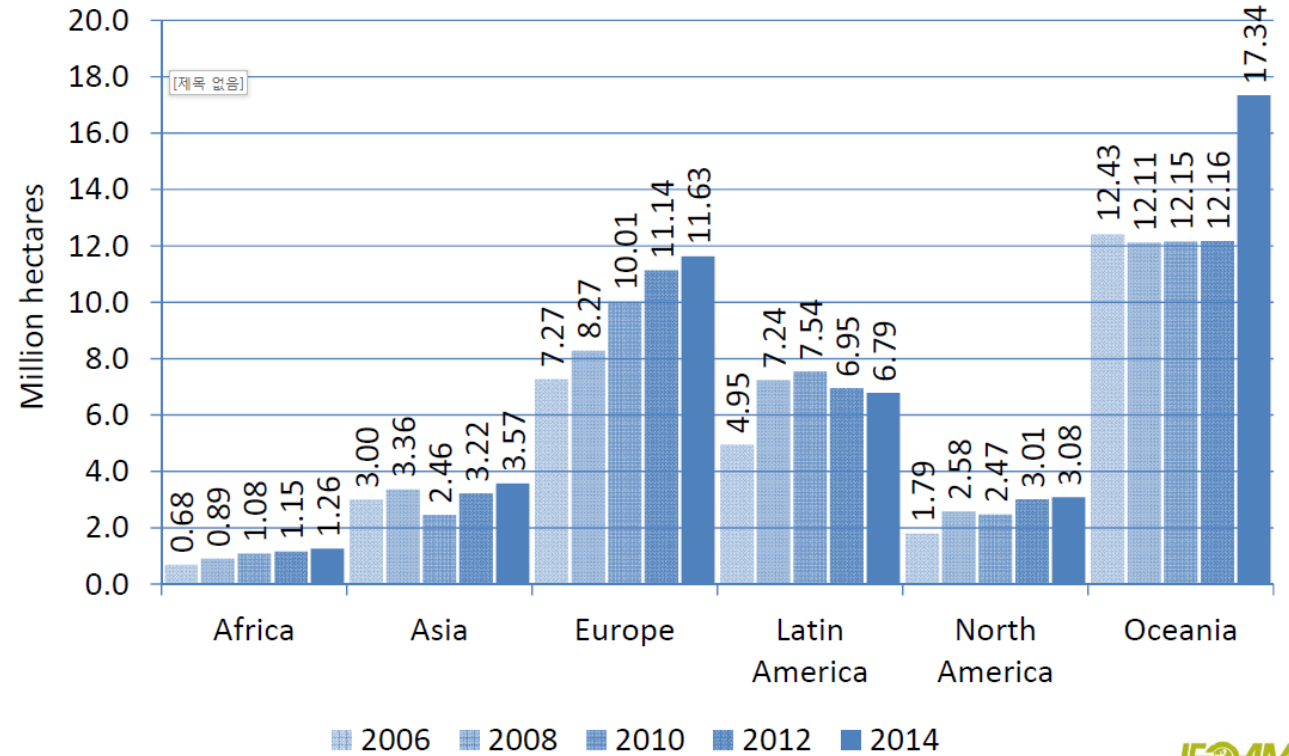
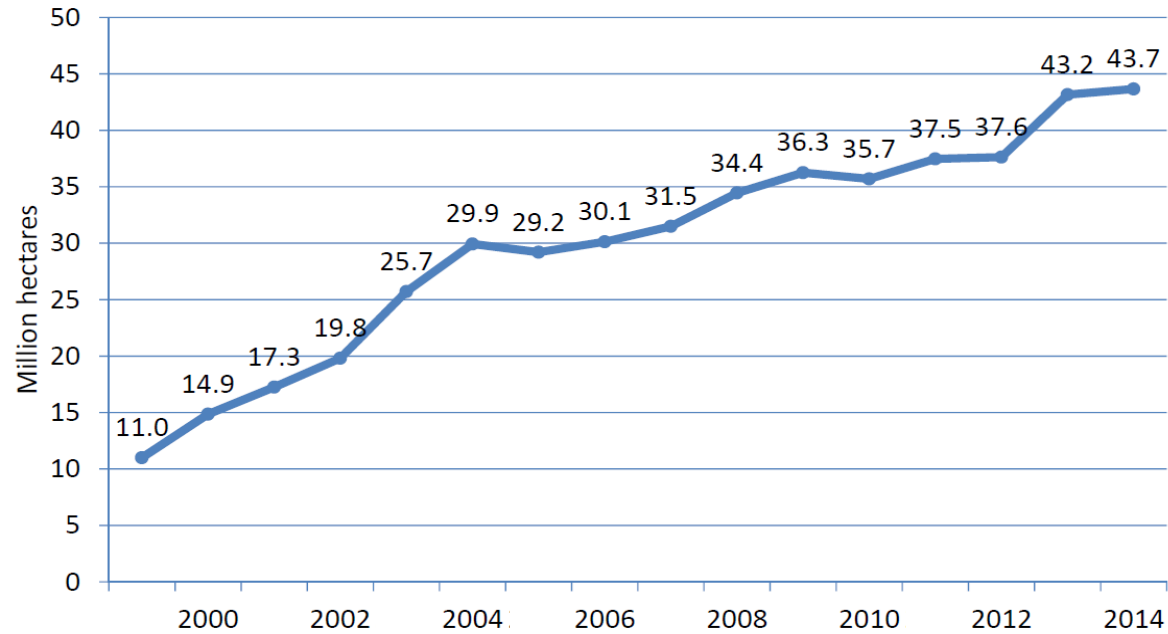


**SUPERMARKETS ARE NOW URGENTLY RECALLING SALADS AND SANDWICHES CONTAINING EGG**



# Demand for Organic Food

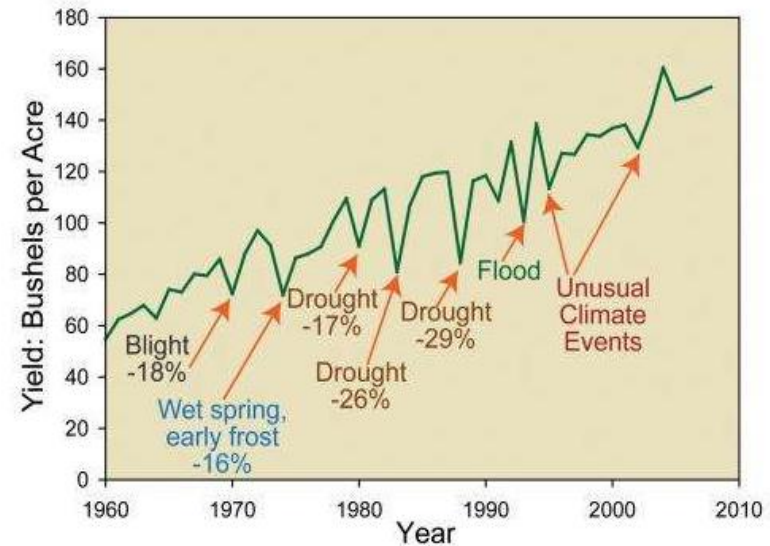
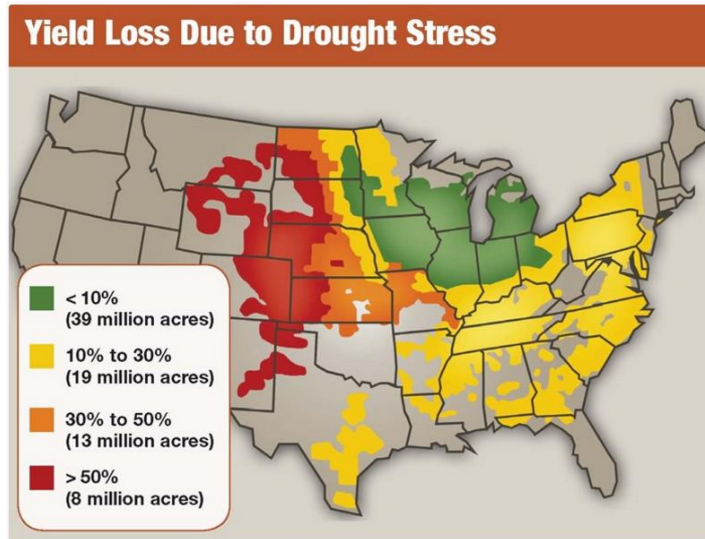
## ❖ Organic agricultural land



(source: FiBL-IFOAM-SOEL-Survey 1999-2016, [www.fibl.org](http://www.fibl.org))

# Climate Change

## ❖ Yield loss due to climate change

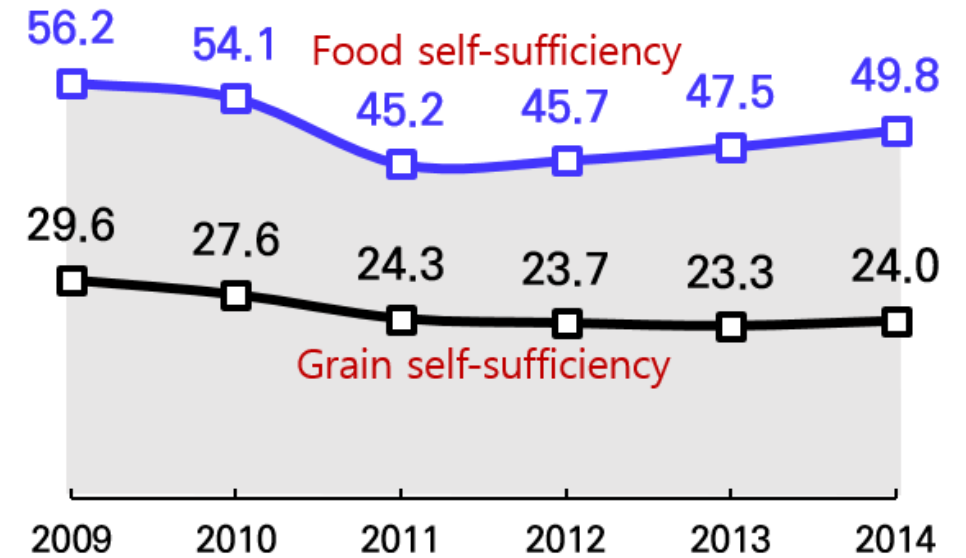


# Food Security

## ❖ 2016 Global food security index

1	United States	86.6	19	Spain	77.7
2	Ireland	84.3	20	Qatar	77.5
3	Singapore	83.9	21	Belgium	77.4
=4	Australia	82.6	=22	Italy	75.9
=4	Netherlands	82.6	=22	Japan	75.9
=6	France	82.5	24	Chile	74.4
=6	Germany	82.5	25	Czech Republic	73.9
=8	Canada	81.9	26	Oman	73.6
=8	United Kingdom	81.9	27	Kuwait	73.5
10	Sweden	81.3	28	South Korea	73.3
11	New Zealand	81.1	29	Poland	72.4
12	Norway	81.0	30	United Arab Emirates	71.8
13	Switzerland	80.9	31	Greece	71.5
=14	Denmark	80.0	32	Saudi Arabia	71.1
=14	Portugal	80.0	33	Bahrain	70.1
16	Austria	79.3	34	Hungary	69.3
=17	Finland	78.9	35	Malaysia	69.0
=17	Israel	78.9	36	Uruguay	68.4
			=37	Argentina	68.3
			=37	Costa Rica	68.3

## ❖ Food self-sufficiency in Korea



- \* Food self-sufficiency: except feed for livestock
- \* Grain self-sufficiency: including feed for livestock

# Challenges in Agriculture

- ❖ Need of increasing food production (quantity)
- ❖ Increased demand for safe food or environment-friendly agriculture (quality)
- ❖ Demand for business model for highly economic return in agriculture
- ❖ Required high global competitiveness in agriculture
- ❖ Improvement of life quality of persons working in agriculture



*Innovation of agricultural production system using digital transformation technology*

\*Digital transformation (4<sup>th</sup> industrial revolution): highly connected and highly intelligent society based on technology of ICT/IoT, robot/UAV, artificial intelligence, big data, 3D printer etc.



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# **Intelligent Agricultural Production System**



# Intelligent Agricultural Production System



(source: Farm Forward by John Ddere, [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com))

# Intelligent Agricultural Production System



(source: Trimble Connected Farm, [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com))

# Intelligent Agricultural Production System

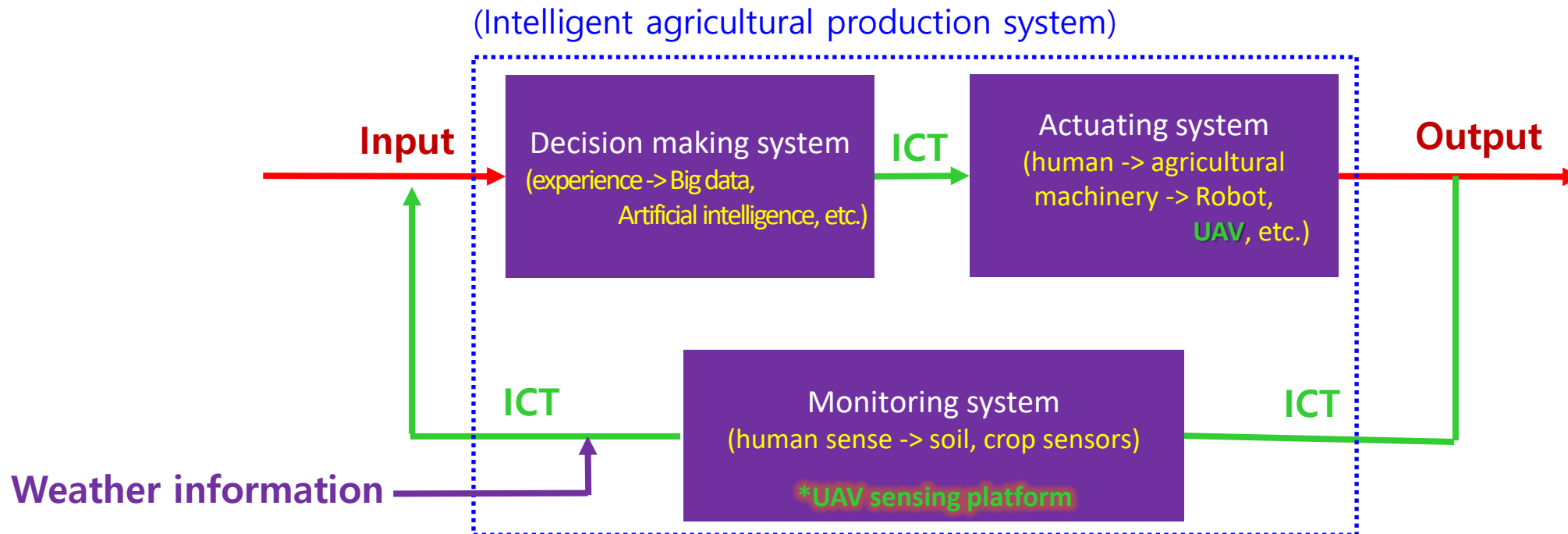
“An intelligent agricultural production system can maximize the efficiency of the system by unsupervised learning with minimum interception of human”

➤ **Input**

:labor, chemicals(fertilizer, pesticide, etc.)  
water(irrigation), energy,  
environmental control, etc.

➤ **Output**

:Quantity and quality of  
agricultural product



# Precision Agriculture

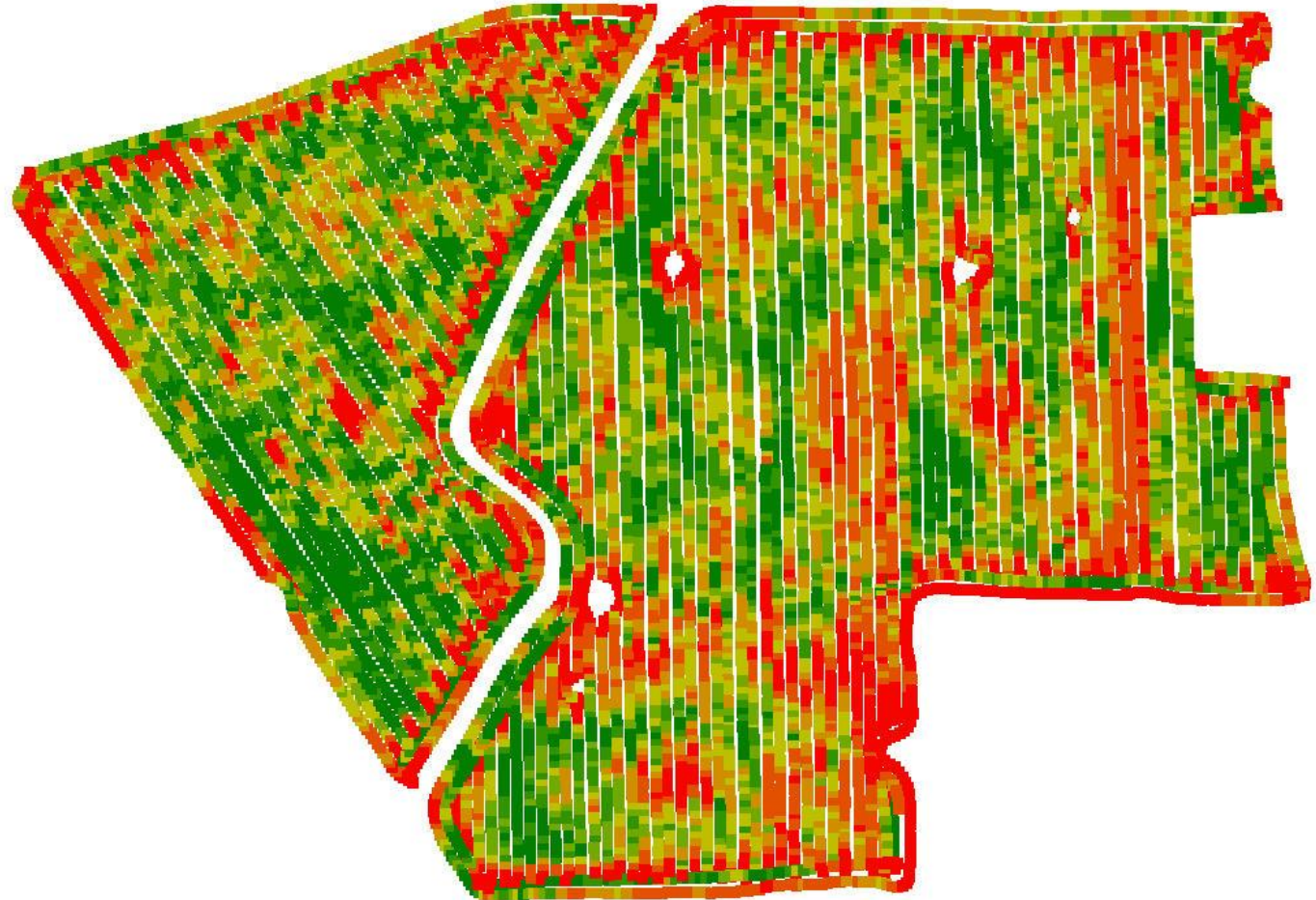
“Site-specific variable technology based on farm field and crop conditions”

## Optimum input:

Right time,

Right amount,

Right place



# Monitoring System



Satellite

Large covered area (FOV)  
Low sensitivity



UAV



Mobile robot



Biosensor

Small covered area (FOV)  
High sensitivity

# Monitoring System

## ❖ Sensor platforms

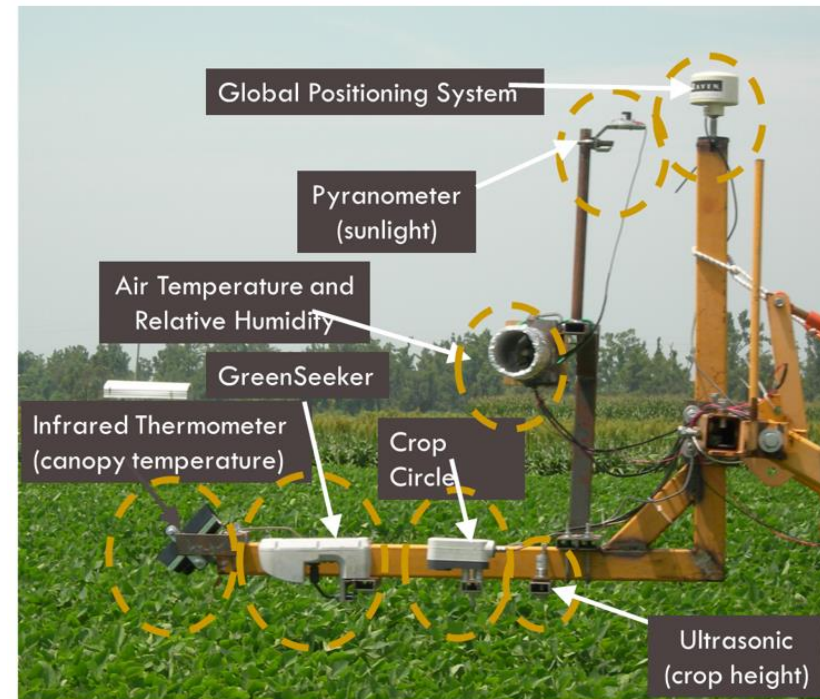
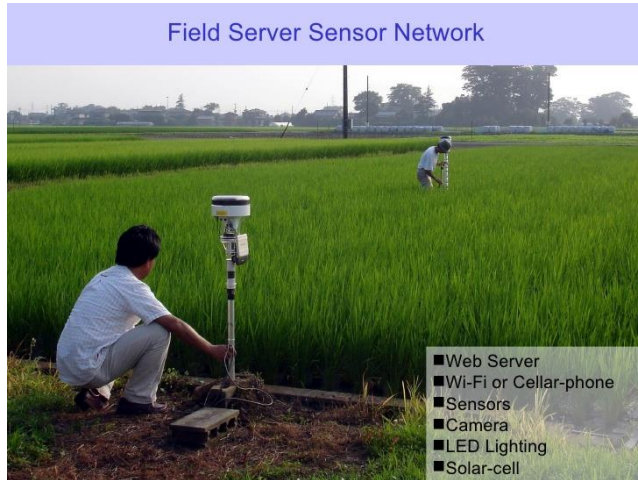
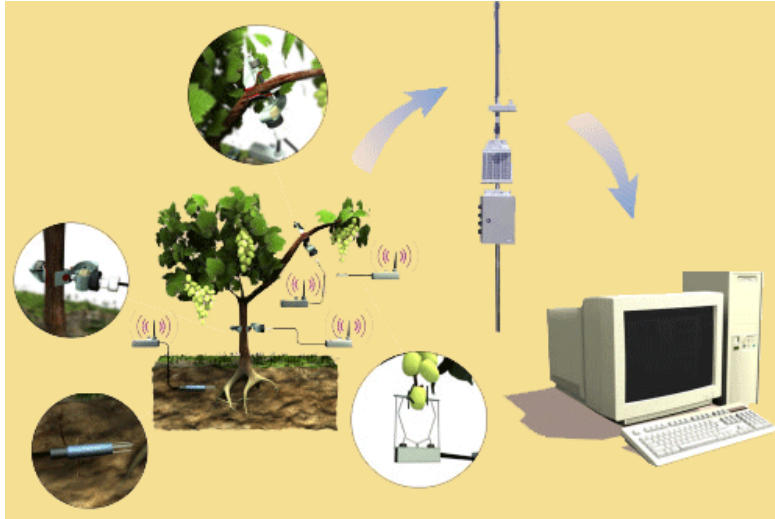


Photo courtesy of Earl Vorles, USDA-ARS, Portageville, MO

# Monitoring System

## ❖ Sensors



SICK LMS-291



Mini MCA Tetracam



Sony DSC-V1



Micro-Hyperspec VNIR



Tetracam-ADC



FLIR ThermoVision A40M



# Monitoring System

## ❖ Genomics and Phenomics

### ▶ Genomics

- High throughput analysis of genes and their immediate products, to study the structure and function of genes and genomes

### ▶ Phenomics

- High throughput analysis of plant growth and physiology, to reveal the role of each gene in the function of the whole plant



**Innovation, Gene discovery**

# Monitoring System

## ❖ Phenomics

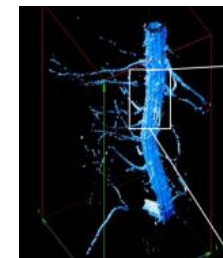
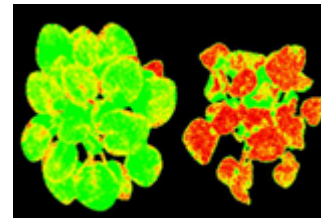
Phenomics uses imaging techniques to allow researchers to study the inner workings of leaves, roots or whole plants

Visible imaging – color, morphology

Infrared & Near-infrared imaging

Fluorescence imaging

Magnetic resonance imaging



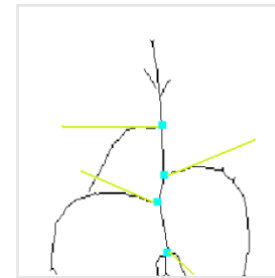
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## ❖ Visible imaging



### 1. Plant color classification

- Plant health
- Stress
- Nutrients
- Senescence



### 2. Plant morphology

- Stem, leaves
- nodes, length of leaves



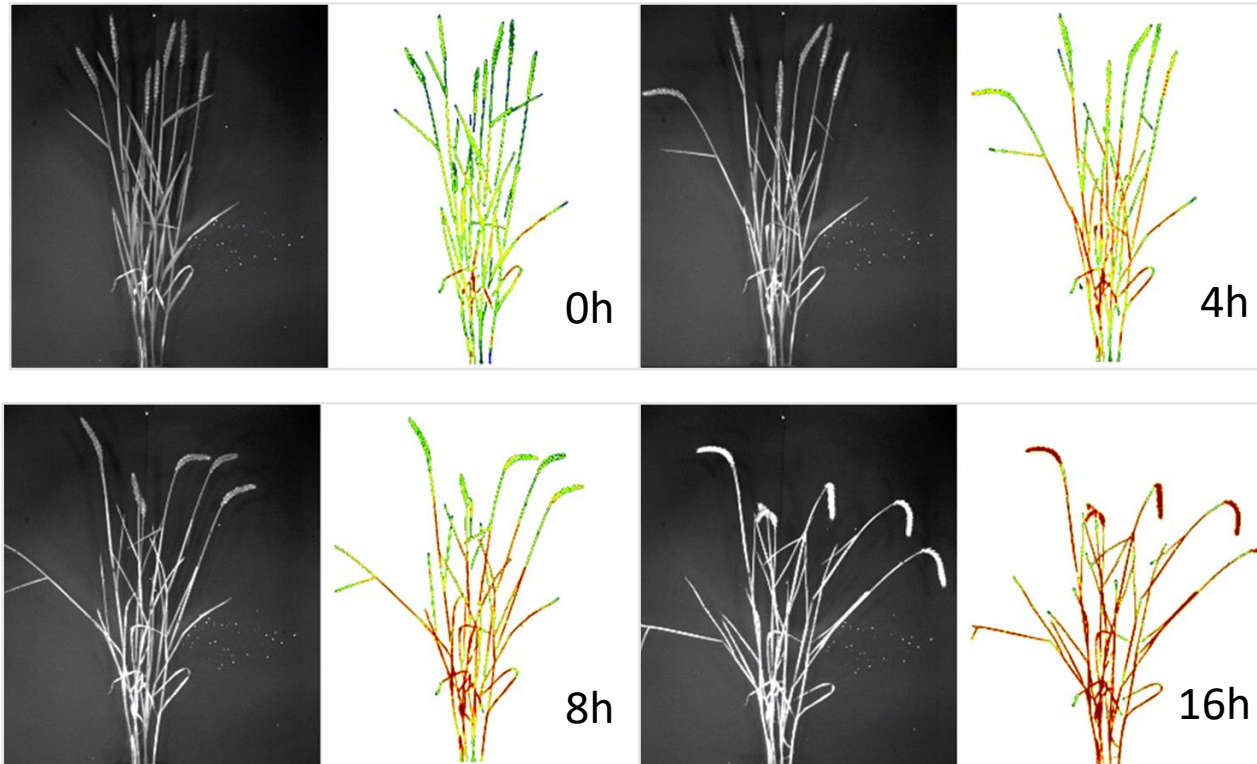
Plant  
growth

# Monitoring System

## ❖ Near infrared (NIR) imaging

### ▶ Measuring water distribution and dynamics

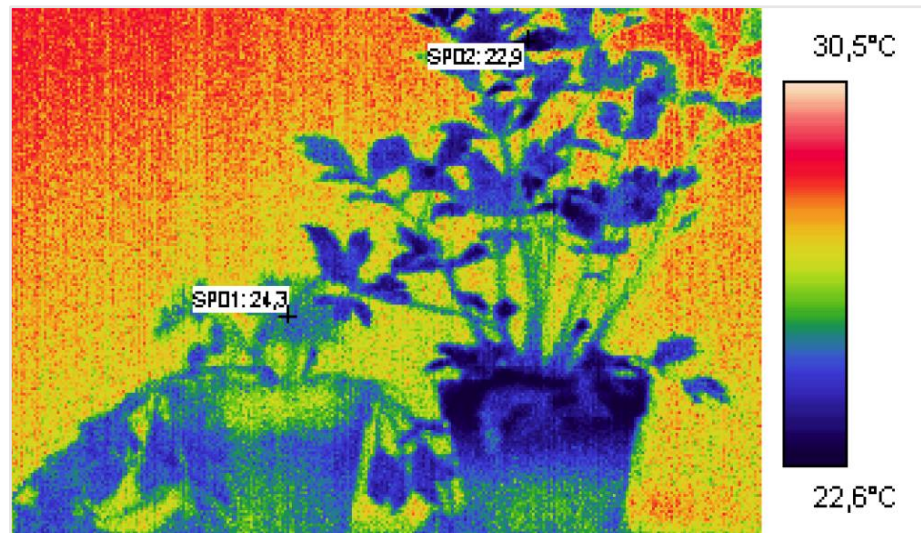
wheat dried down at elevated temperature



# Monitoring System

## ❖ Infrared (IR) imaging

Quantify temperature differences  
(e. g. within leaves and between plants)

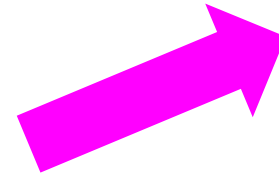
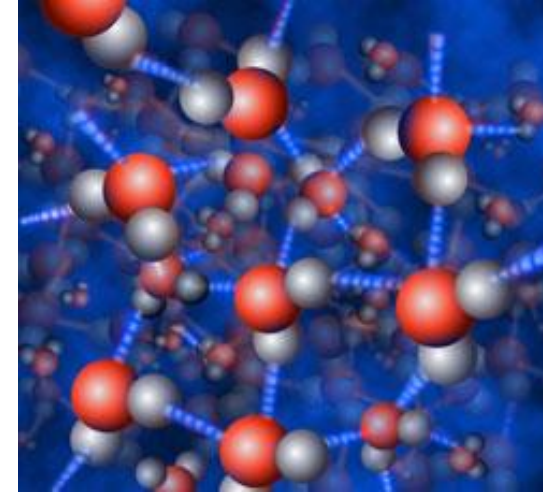


# Monitoring System

“Diagnosis of crop stress, disease, nutrient deficiency in an early stage”

## Molecular level

- Micro/nano biosensing technology
- High sensitivity and small FOV
- Possible to diagnose in an early stage
- Direct sensing for crop monitoring

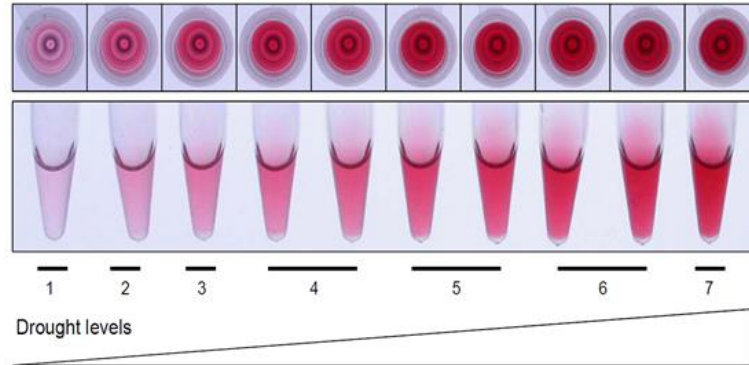
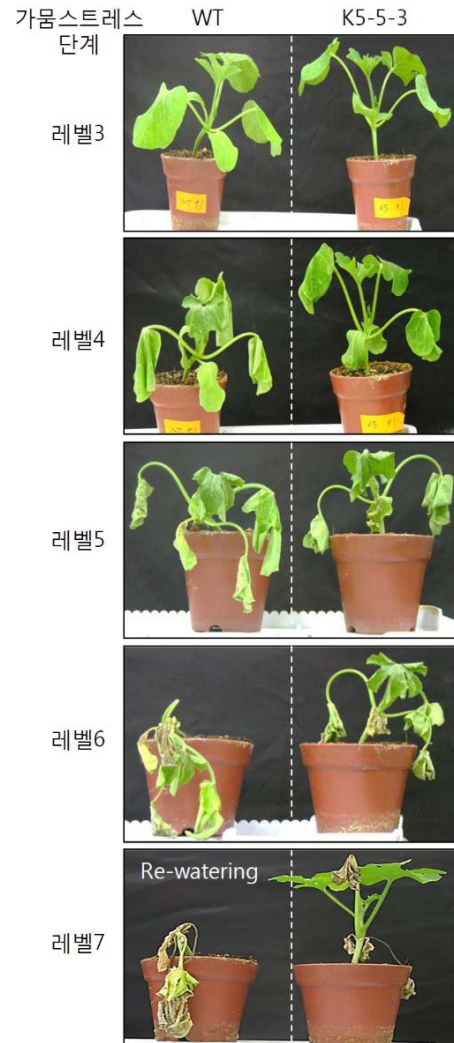


## Canopy level

- Spectroscopic, imaging technology
- Low sensitivity and large FOV,
- Not easy to diagnose in an early stage
- Indirect sensing for crop monitoring

# Monitoring System

## ❖ Biosensor for early diagnosis



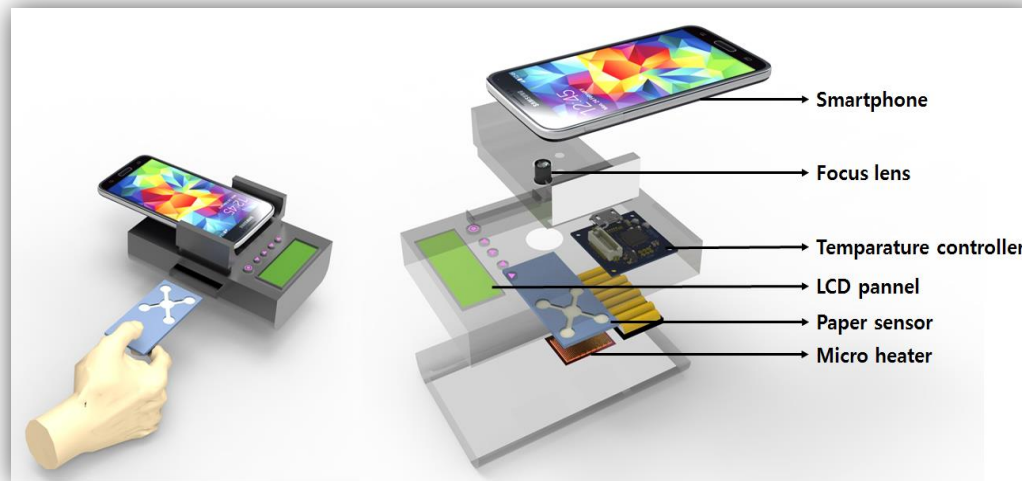
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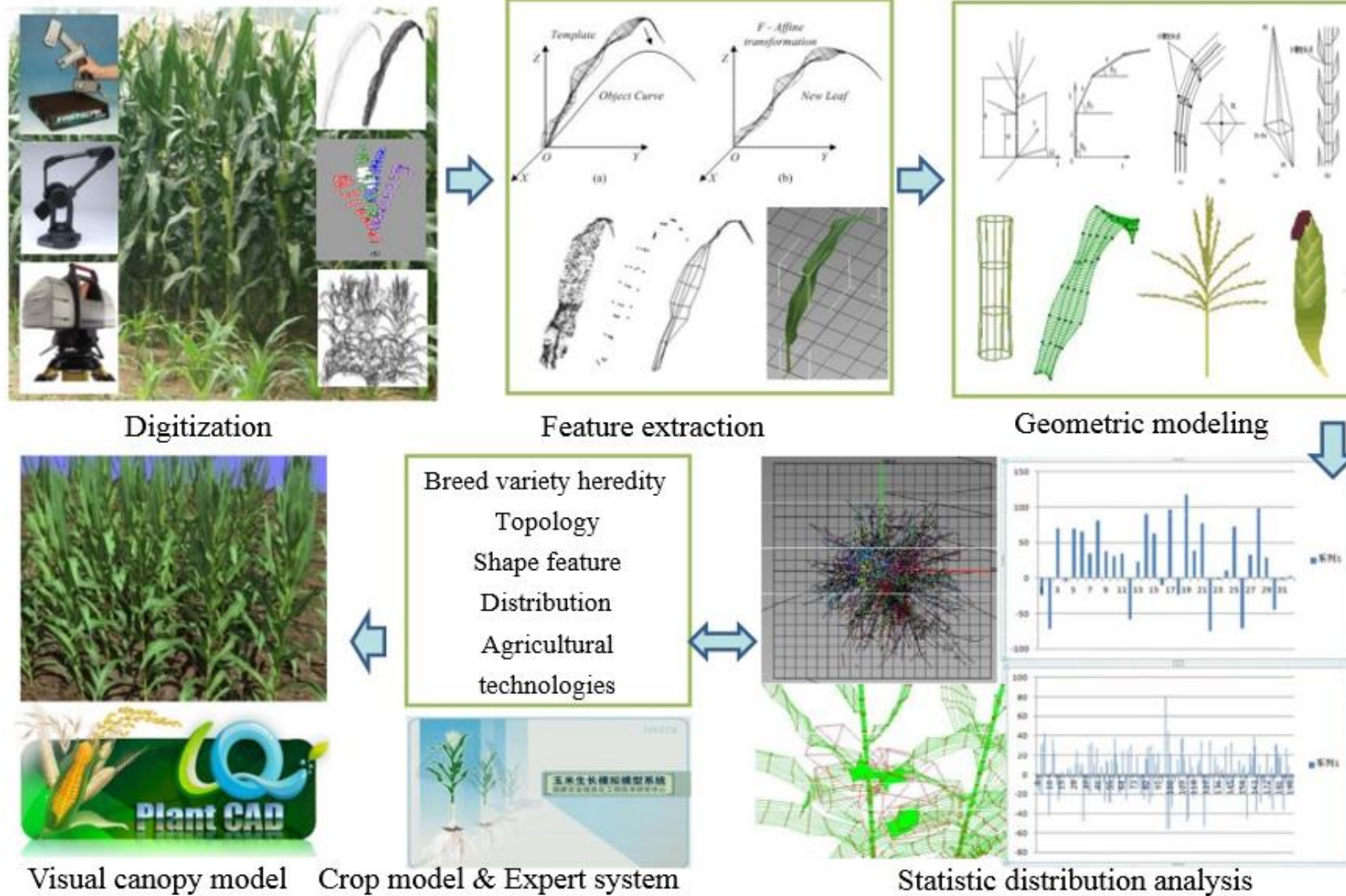
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# Monitoring System

## ❖ Sensing for virtual farming

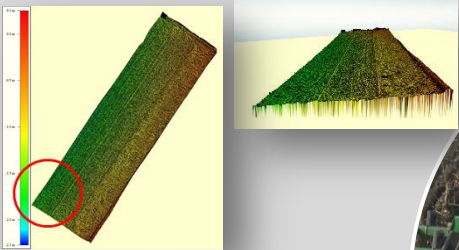


# Monitoring System

## ❖ Monitoring rice plant in the whole life cycle using UAV

### Plowing

- Surface elevation variation
- Uniformity of plowing depth



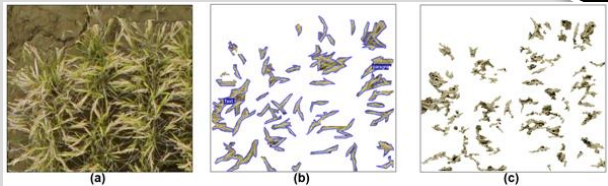
### Transplanting

- Planting density(missing plant rate)
- Space between plants
- Coordinate each plant



### Harvesting

- Yield measurement at each plant
- Yield variation



### Disease/Pest management

- Monitoring disease and nutrient deficiency



Field variation



Variable-rate application

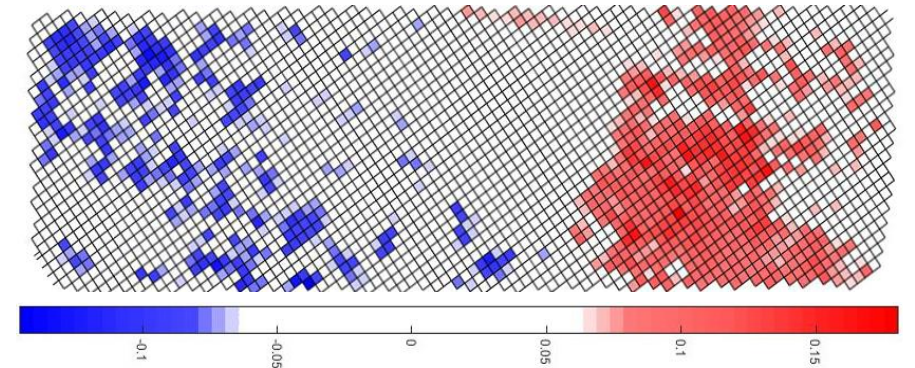
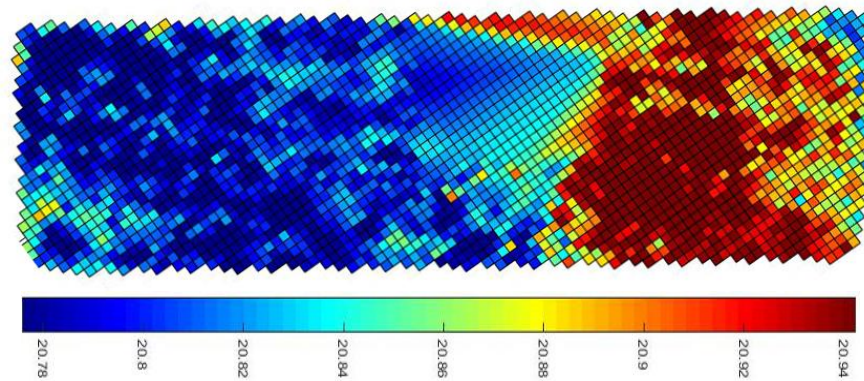
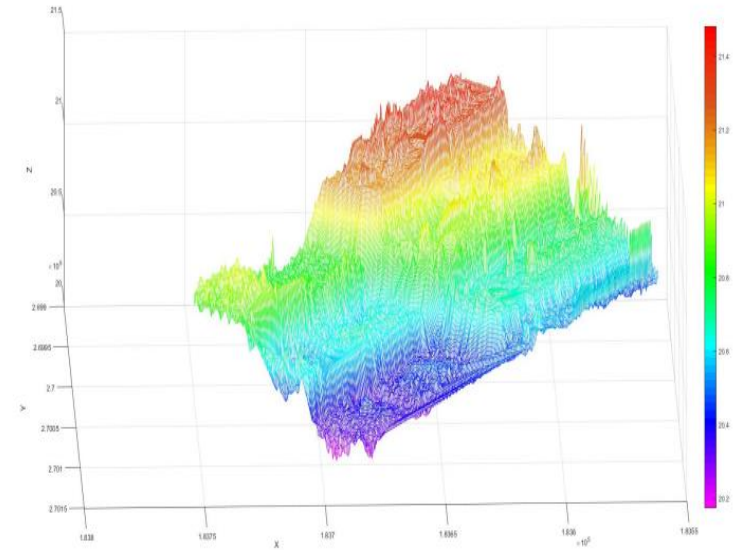
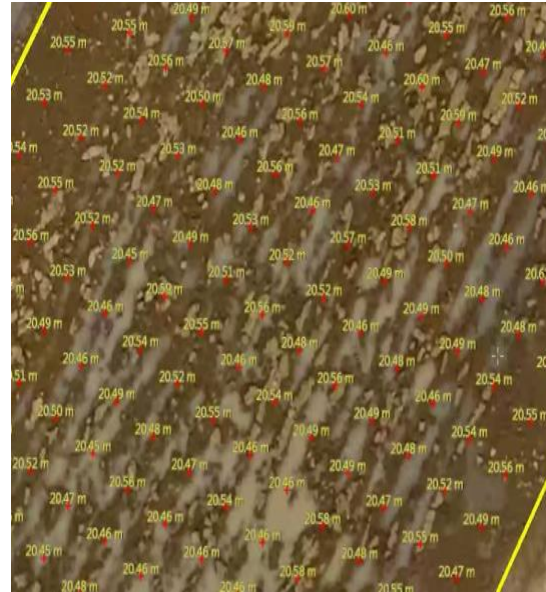
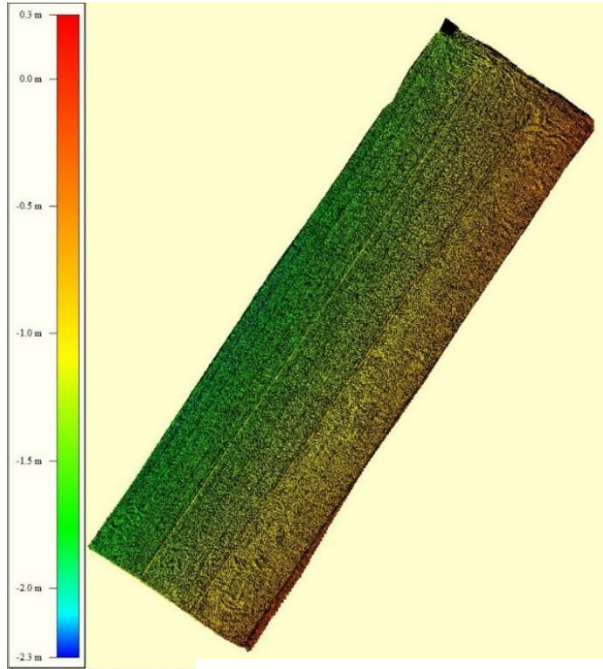
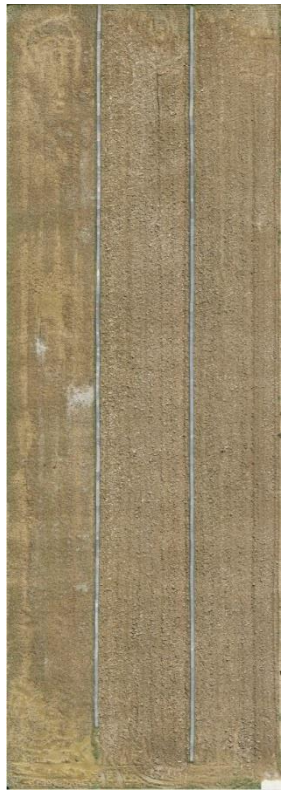


Yield monitoring

**Maximize yield and quality with minimum input**

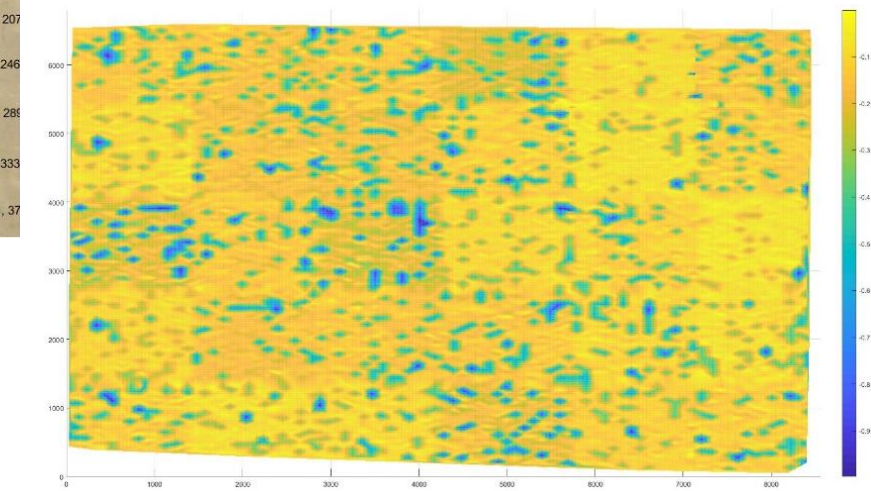
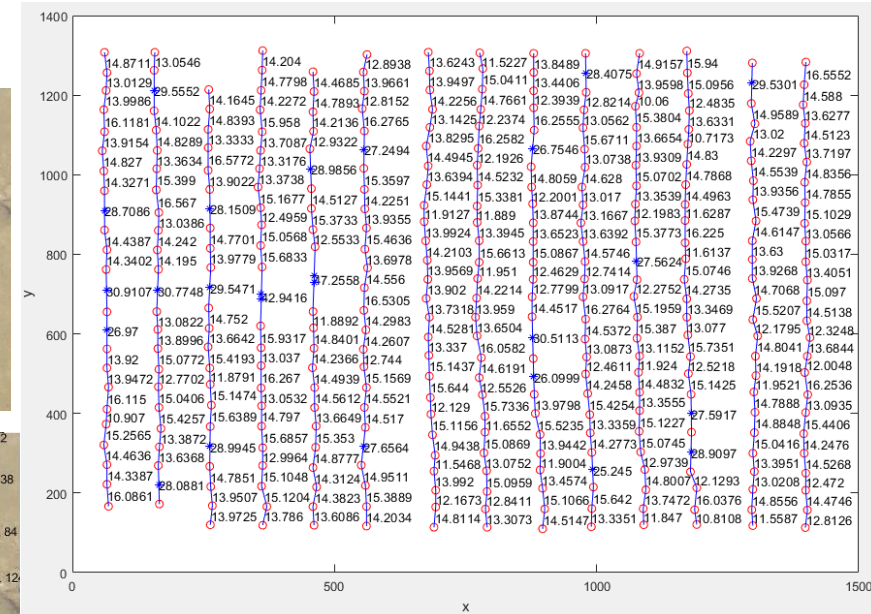
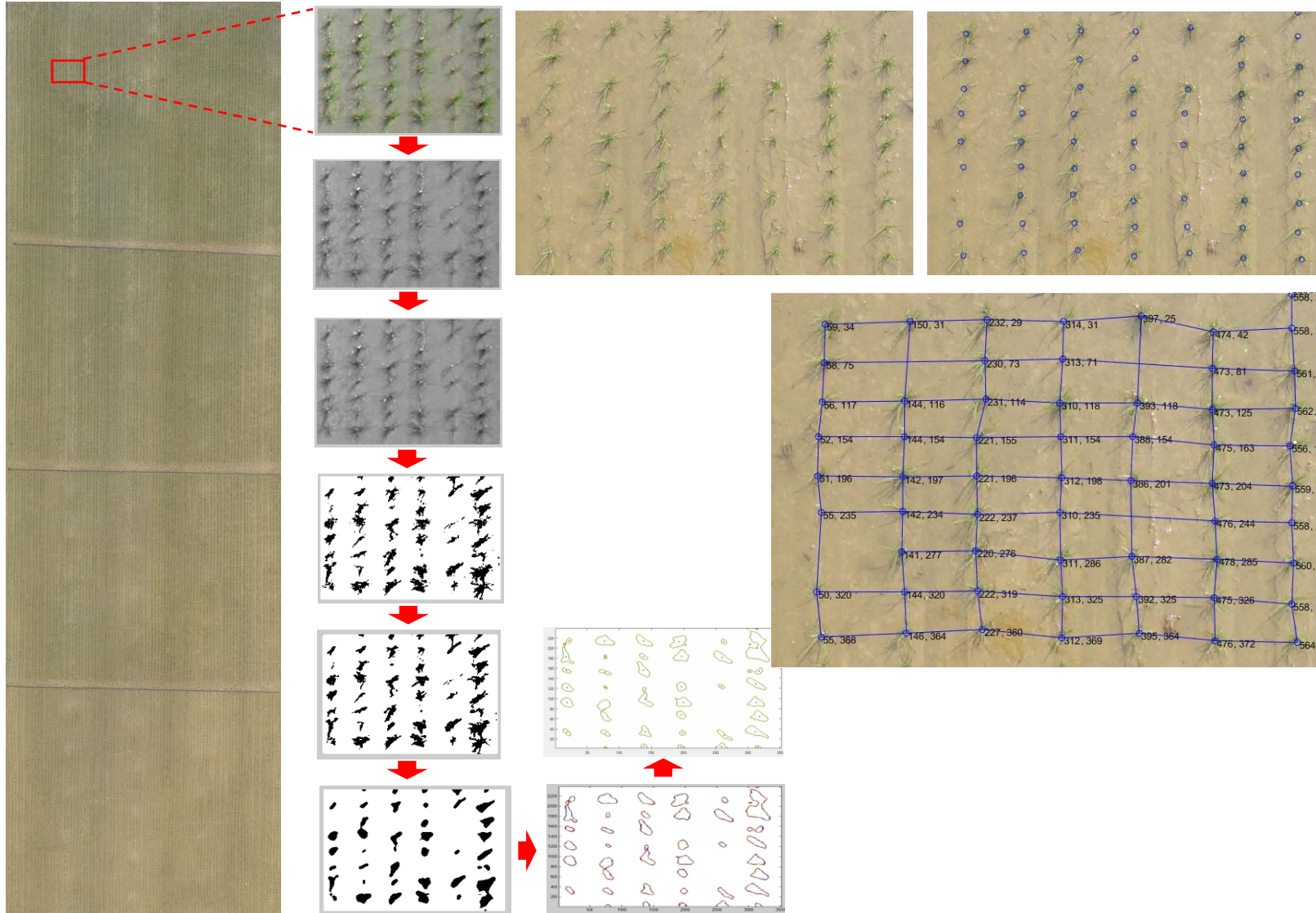
# Monitoring System

## ❖ Plowing stage: uniform surface elevation















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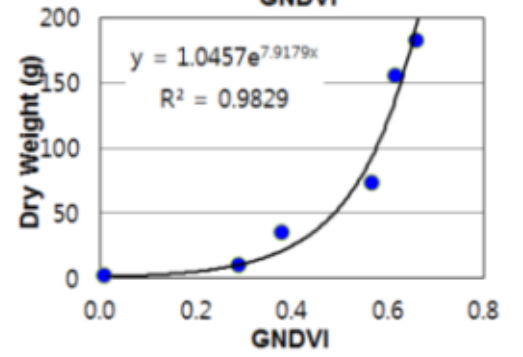
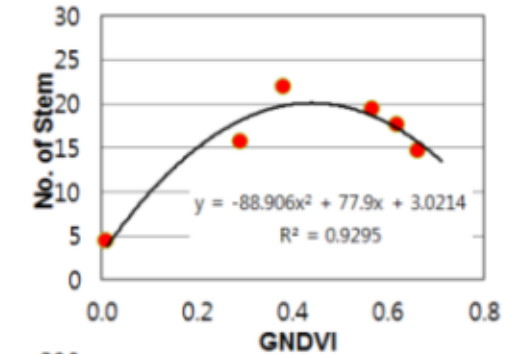
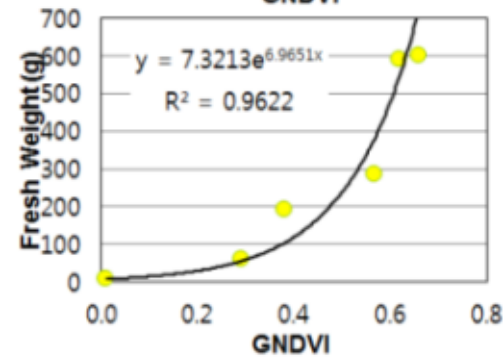
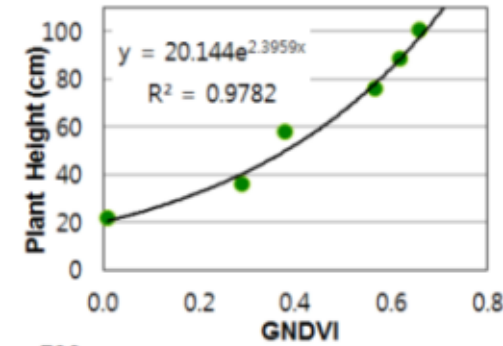
## ❖ Transplanting stage: planting density



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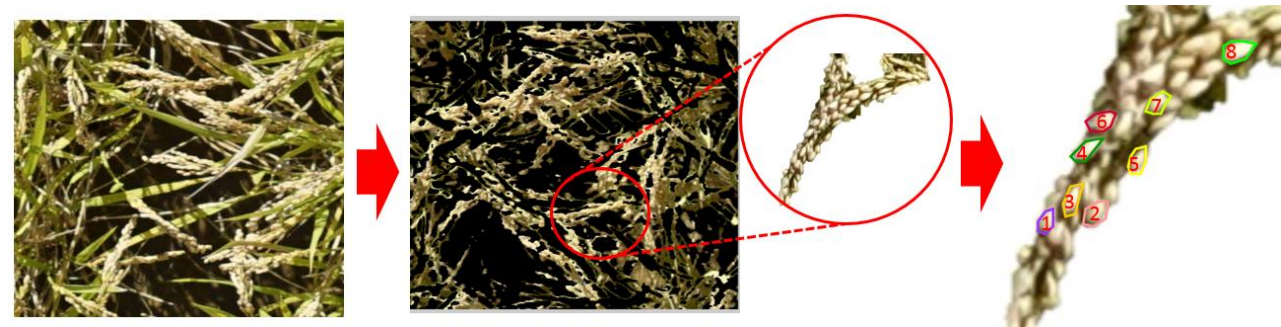
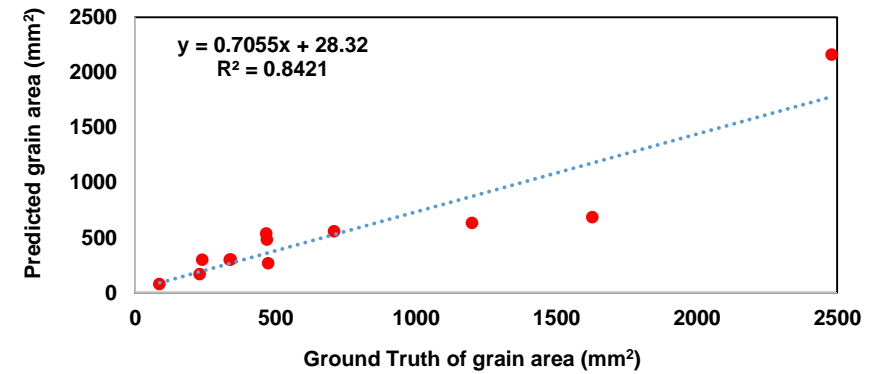
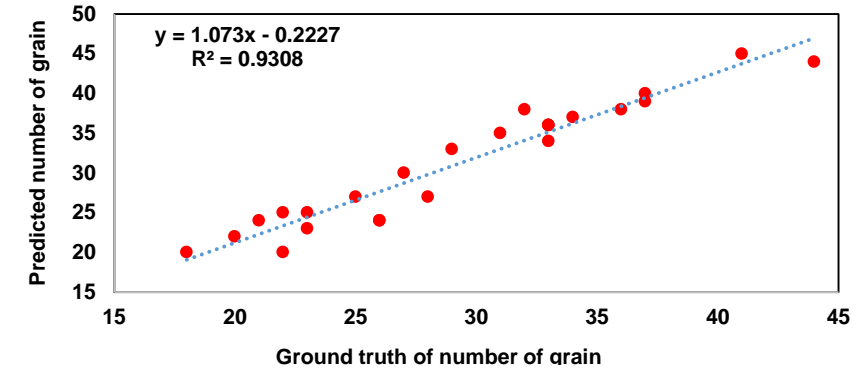
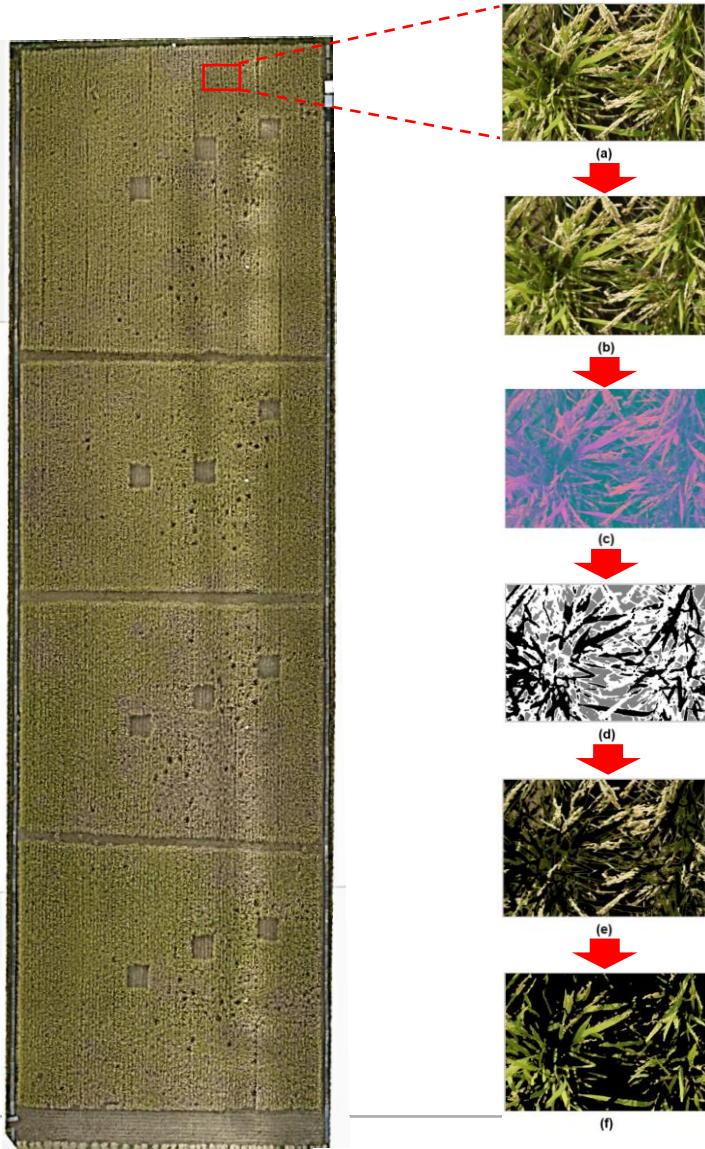
❖ Growing stage: crop growth information based on spectroscopic and morphological analyses

Date of image acquisition	RGB image	NIR image
June 29, 2015 (28 days after)		
July 14, 2015 (49 days after)		
July 25, 2015 (60 days after)		
August 14, 2015 (80 days after)		
September 1, 2015 (98 days after)		
September 11, 2015 (108 days after)		



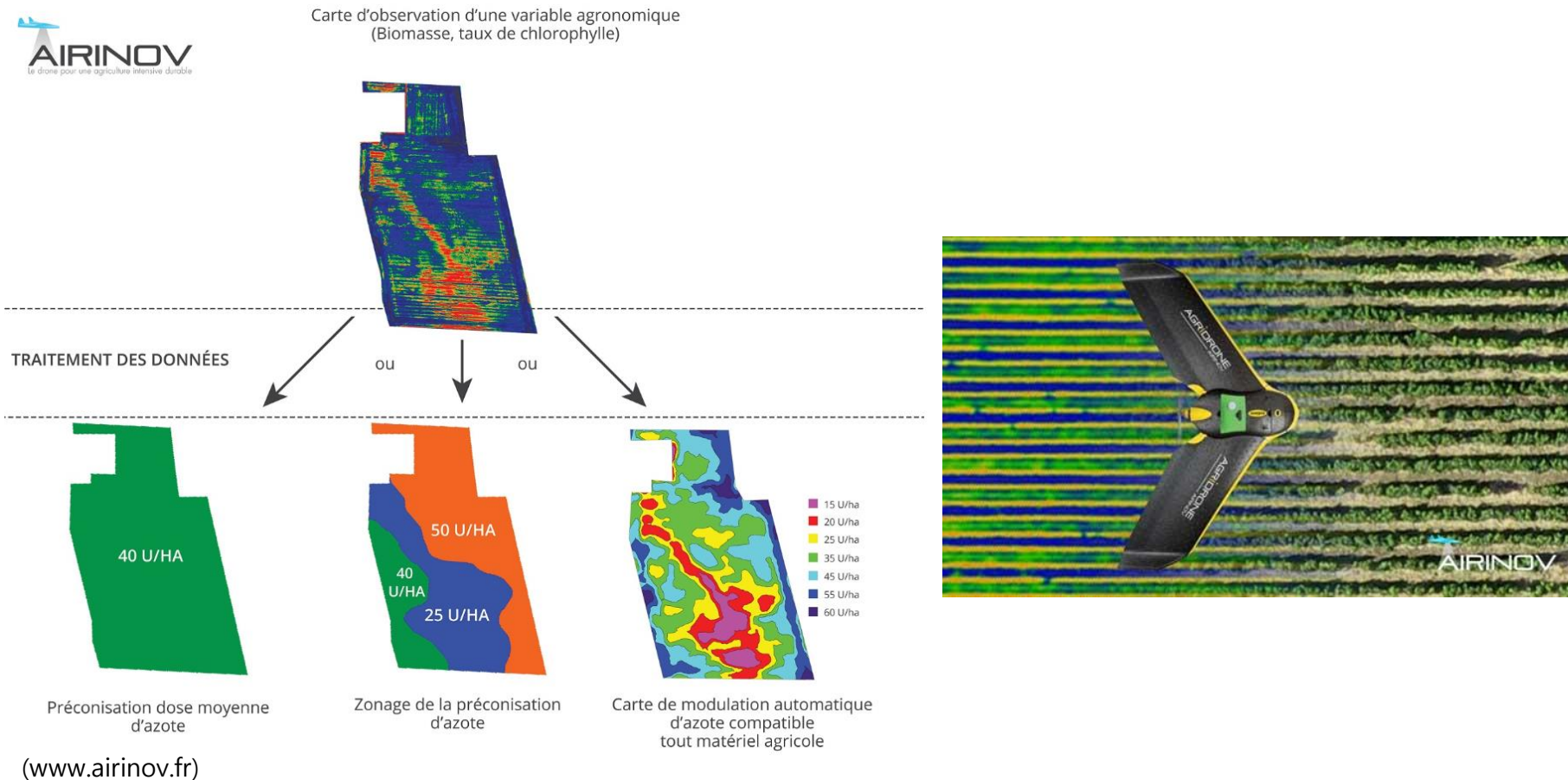
# Monitoring System

## ❖ Harvesting stage: yield monitoring of each plant



# Decision Making System

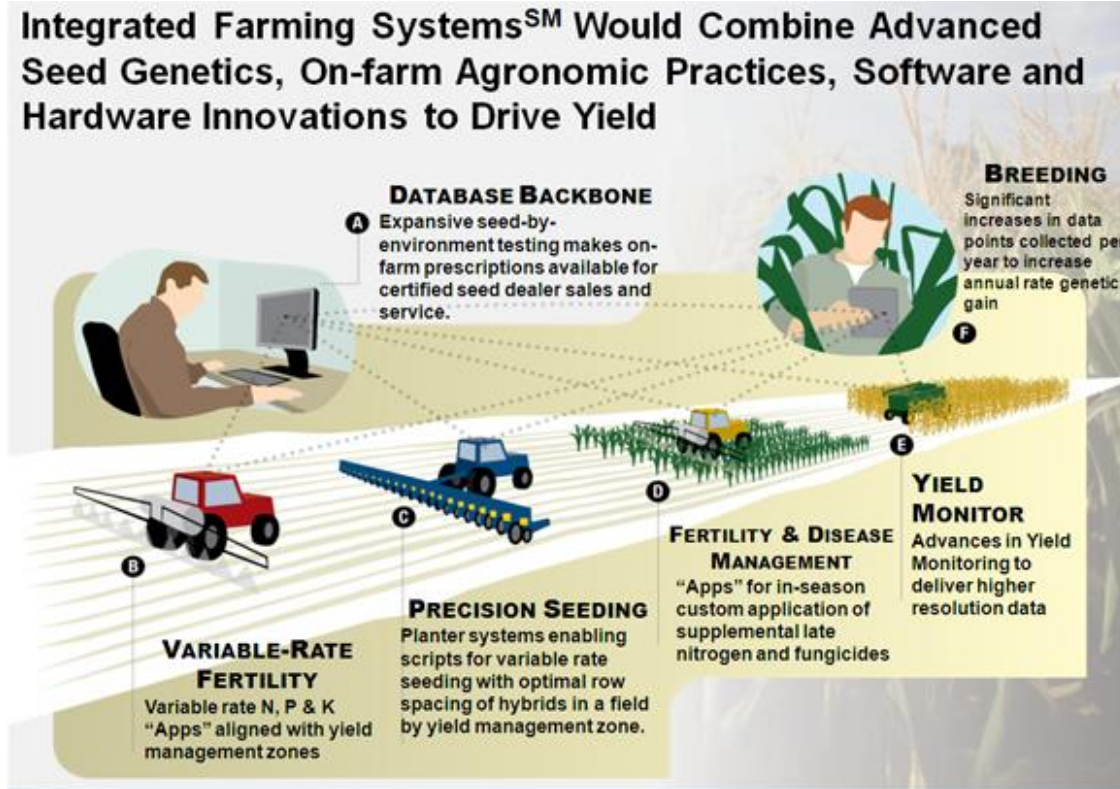
- ❖ Collecting data of weather, soil, crop in various conditions
- ❖ Big data based optimum model for input of agricultural materials
- ❖ Calibration of the model in various environments



(www.airinov.fr)

# Decision Making System

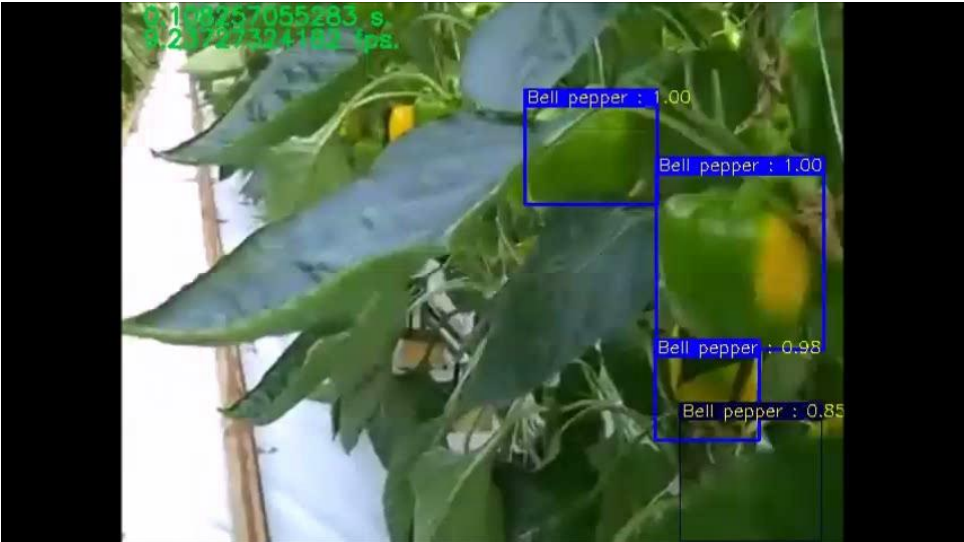
## ❖ Integrated farming system of Monsanto



(test.monsanto.com)

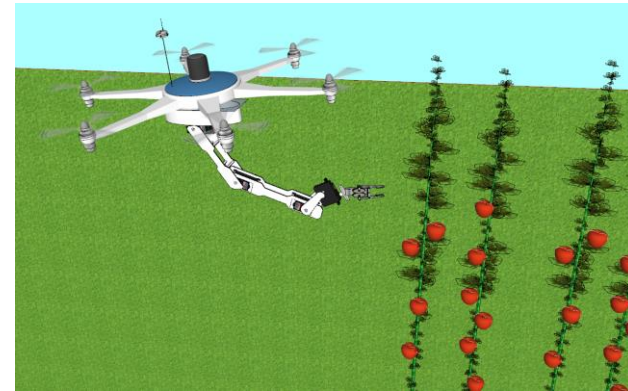
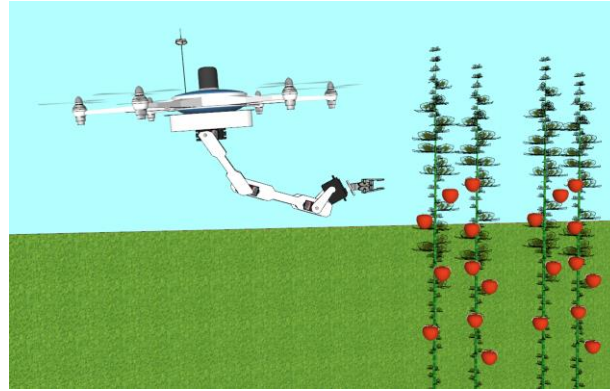
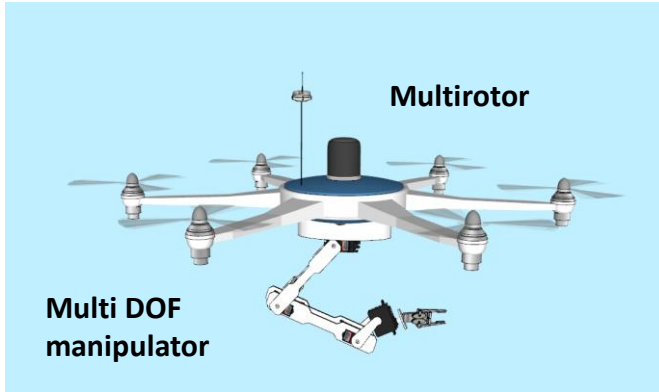
# Actuating System

## ❖ Application of robots: variable-rate actuation

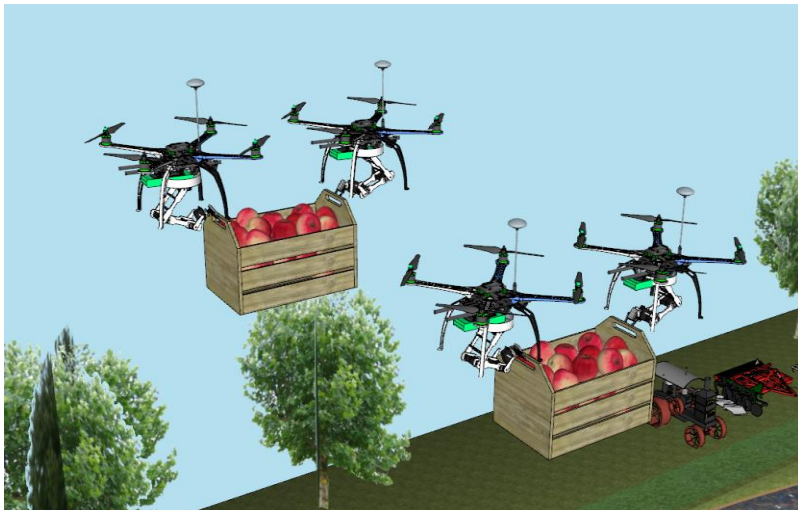


# Actuating System

- ❖ Aerial manipulator for collection and inspection of crops

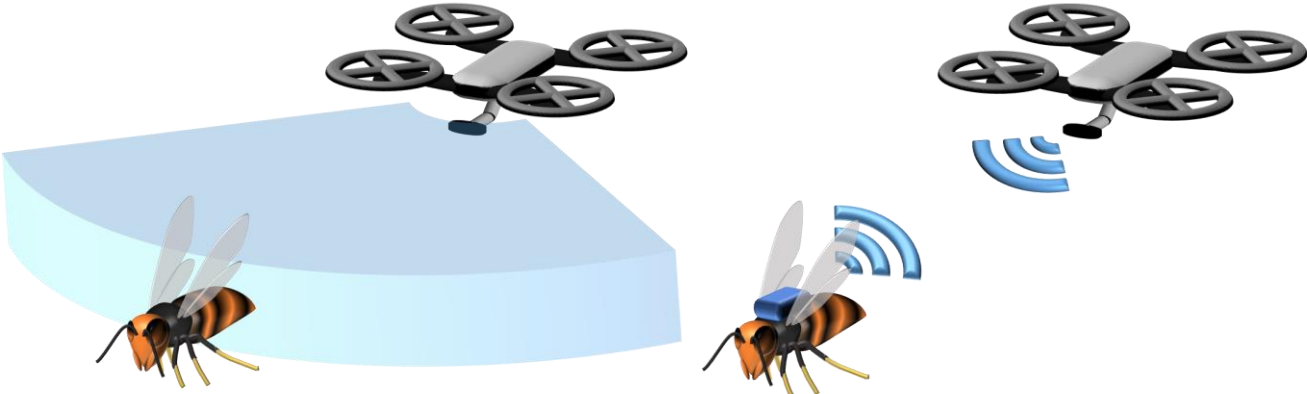


- ❖ Cooperative control of multi-UAVs for transportation of products



# Actuating System

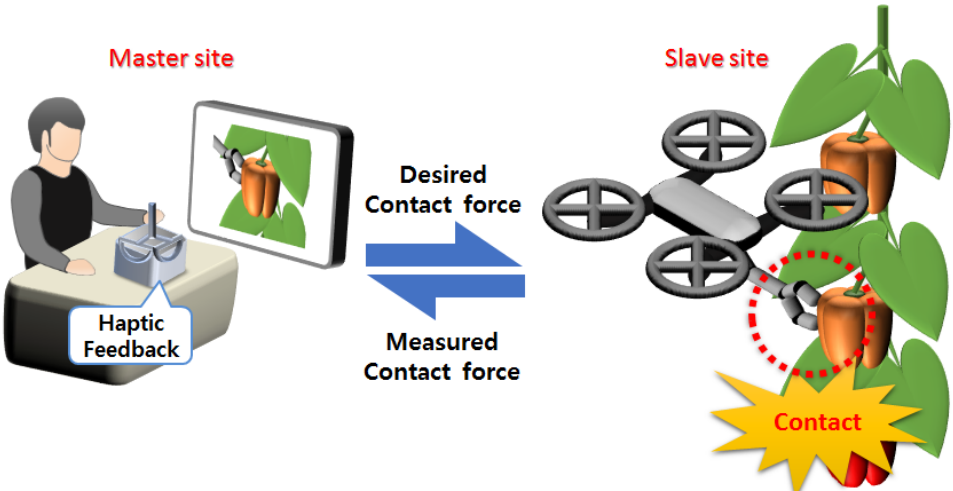
❖ UAV-based tracking of small insect



❖ Cooperation between UAV and autonomous tractor



❖ Haptic teleoperation of aerial manipulator





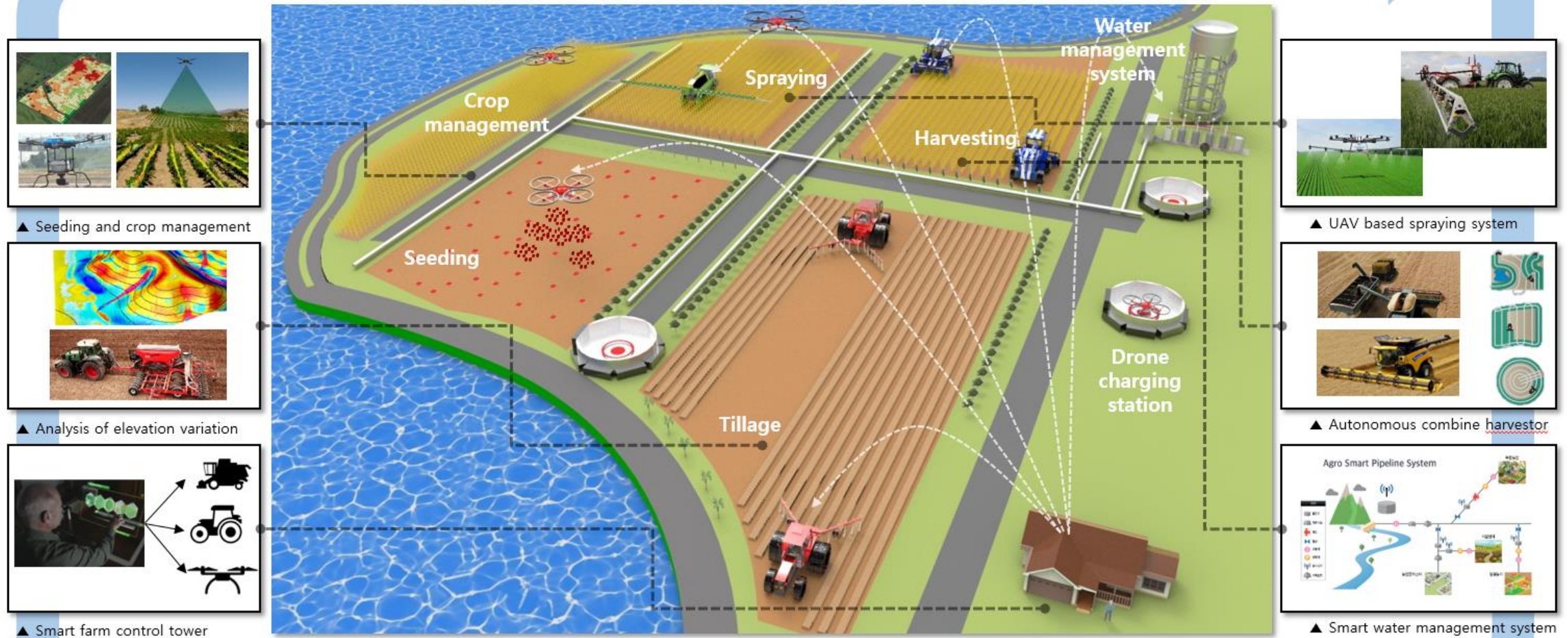
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## **Strategies and Conclusions**

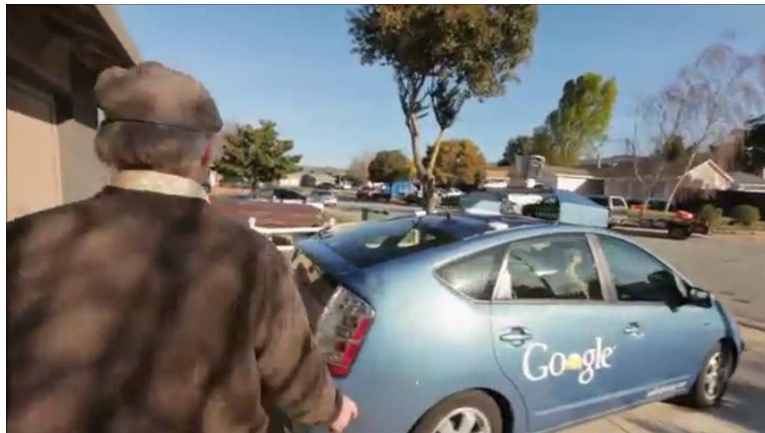
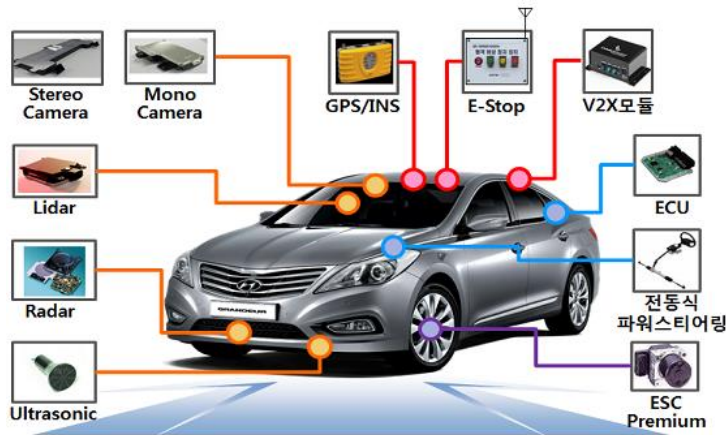
# Strategies

## ❖ Fully automated agricultural production in the whole life cycle



# Strategies

- ❖ Cooperation between automation-related industry and agriculture for the development of core technology
- ❖ Adoption of new technology from related advanced industry



(Google's self-driving car)



(Autonomous tractor)

# Strategies

- ❖ Innovative idea based core technology, creative engineers/researchers





# Innovation of Agricultural Production System !!!



**Thank You !!!**

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