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UAS for environmental monitoring



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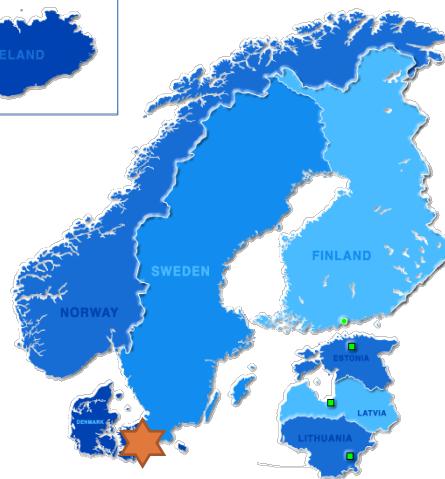
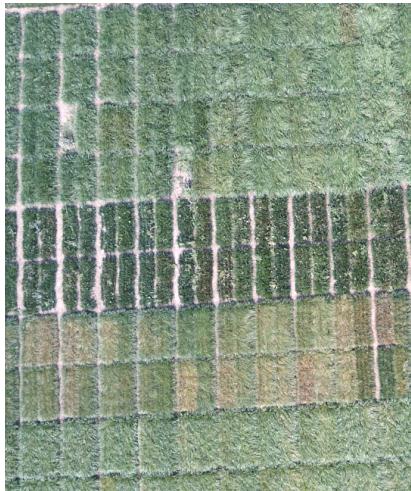
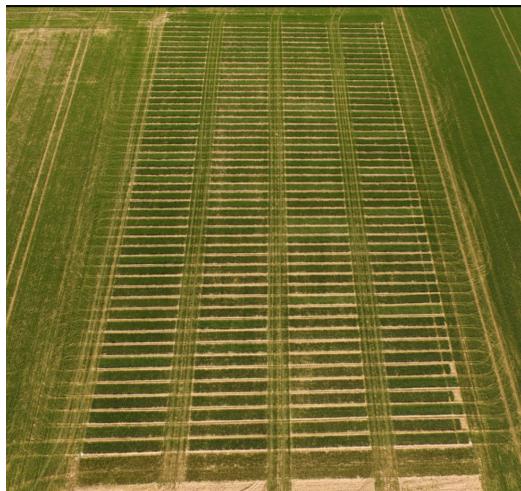
## UAS Techniques for Environmental Monitoring

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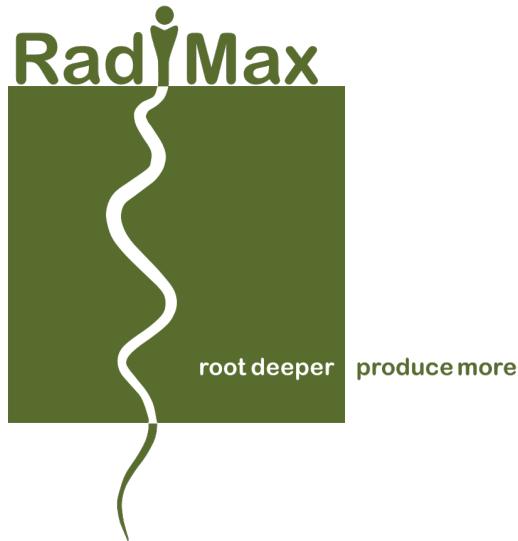
# UAS for monitoring in breeding – part of nordic initiatives on phenotyping



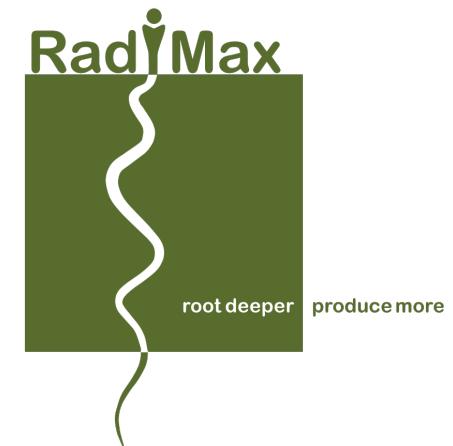
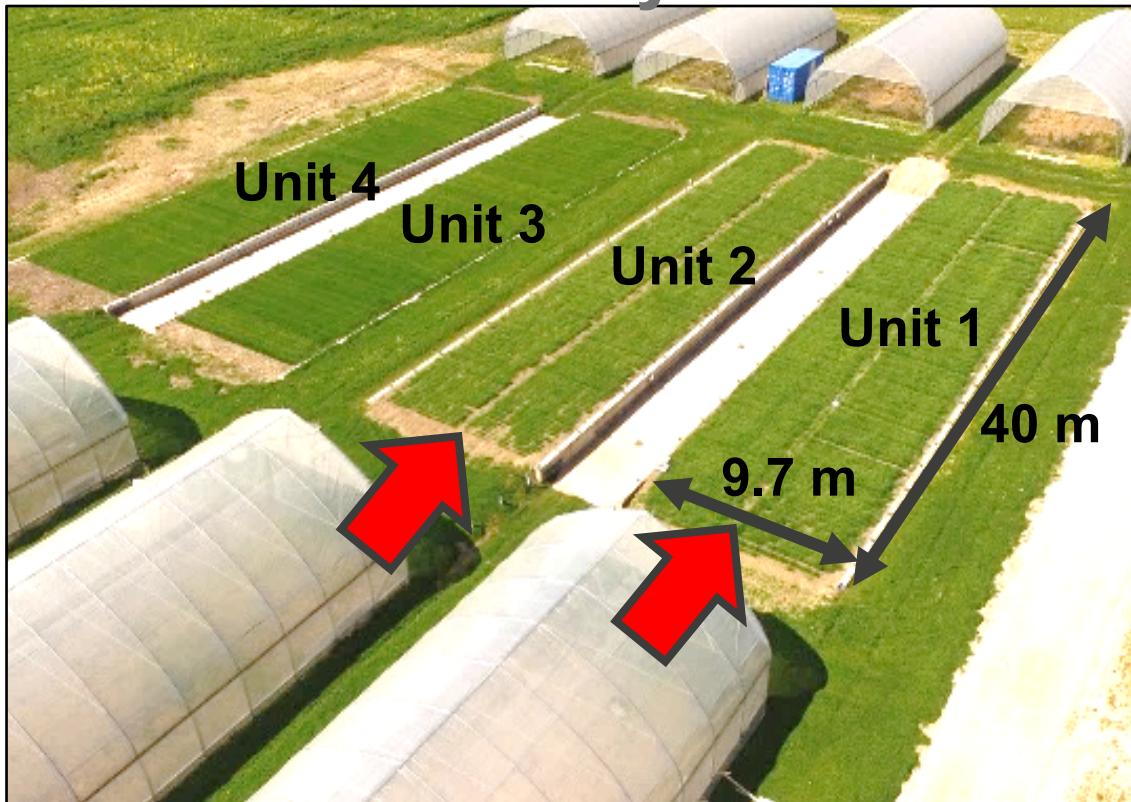
## NPPN: Nordic Plant Phenotyping Network

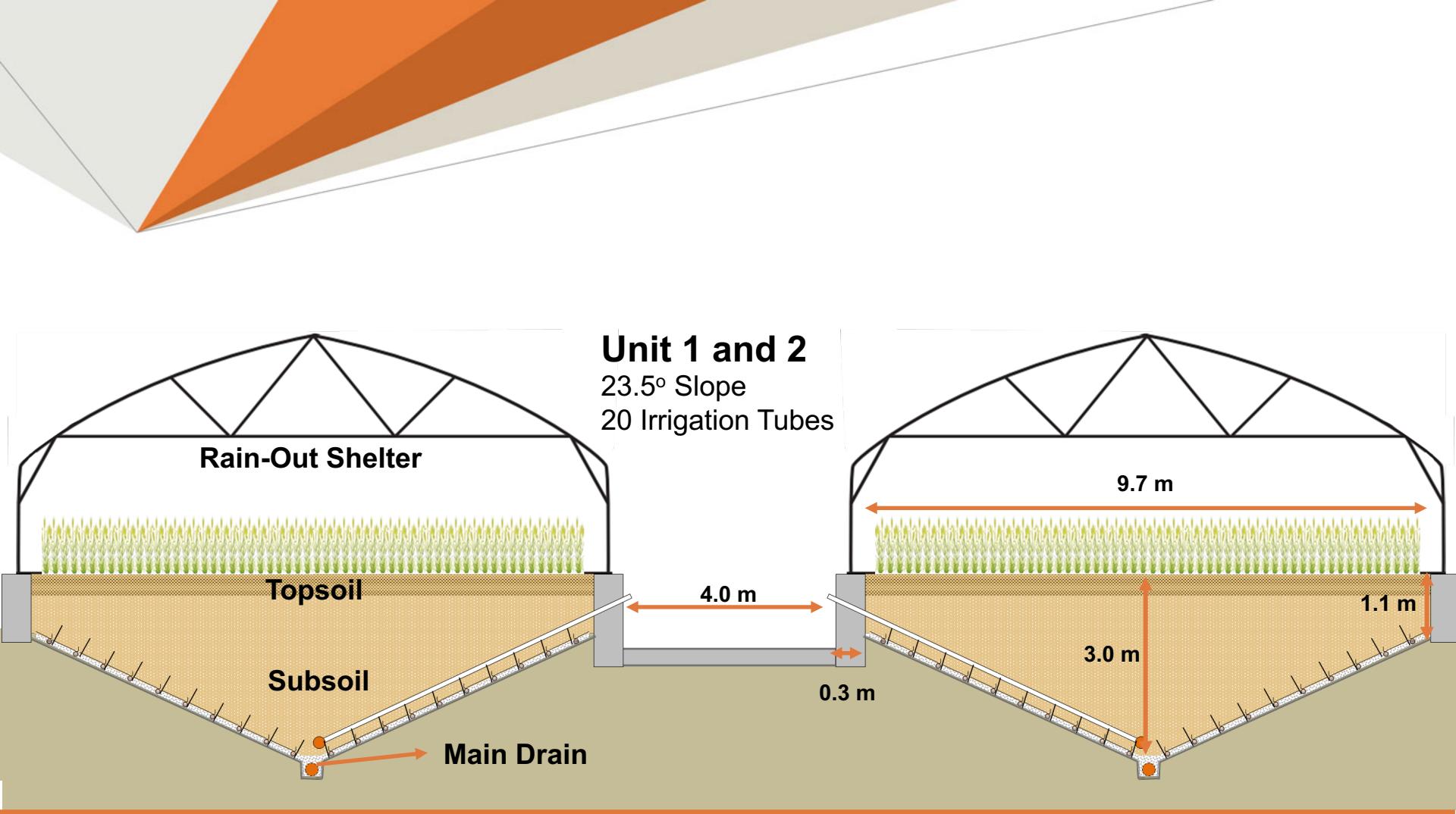


# Case: Deeper root, deeper uptake of water and nutrient...



# RadiMax – a facility to screen roots and drought





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# Use of UAS for drought screening in RadiMax



**Parrot Sequoia**  
- G, R, RE, NIR,  
RGB



**X5**  
RGB



**XT**  
Thermal (512\*620)  
Radiometric

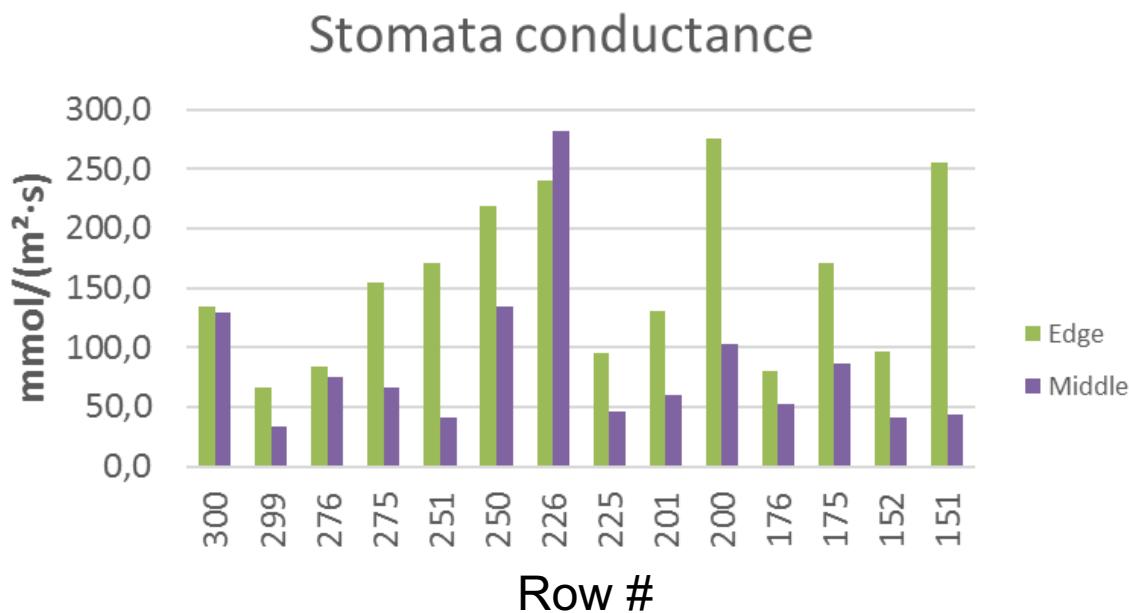
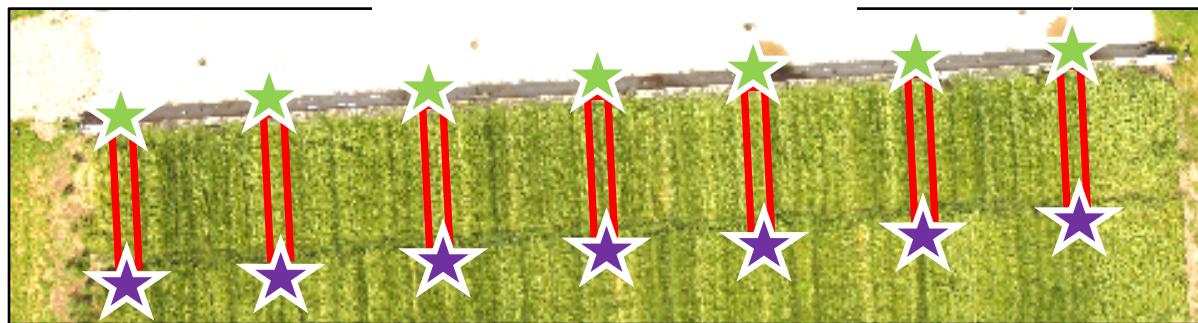


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# Measurements stomata conductance

Unit 2: 2017-07-04

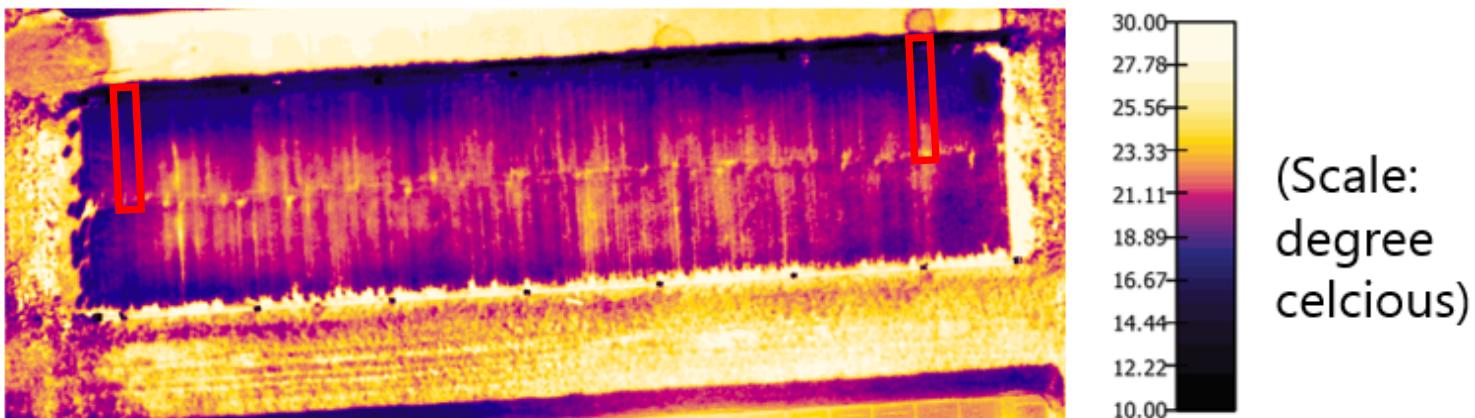


# Thermal, multispectral and color imaging from UAS

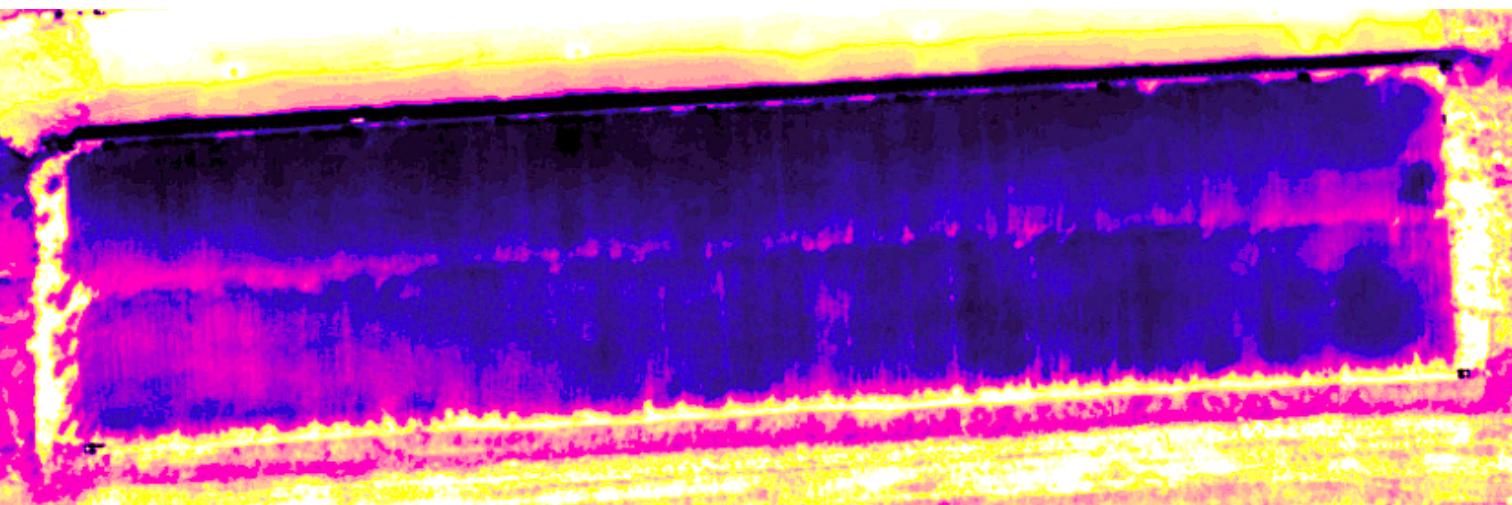
NDVI map  
4. July 2017  
Altitude 15 m  
Barley, anthesis



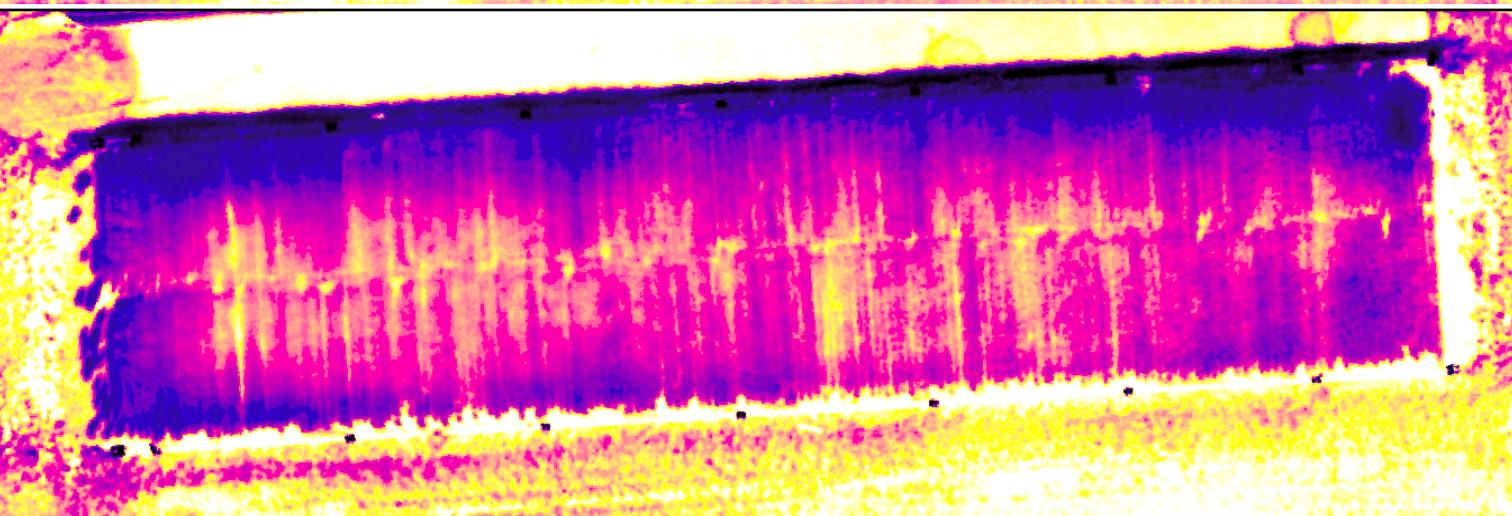
Thermal map  
7. July 2017  
Altitude 30 m  
Barley, anthesis



## Thermal imaging – mosaic of two timepoints

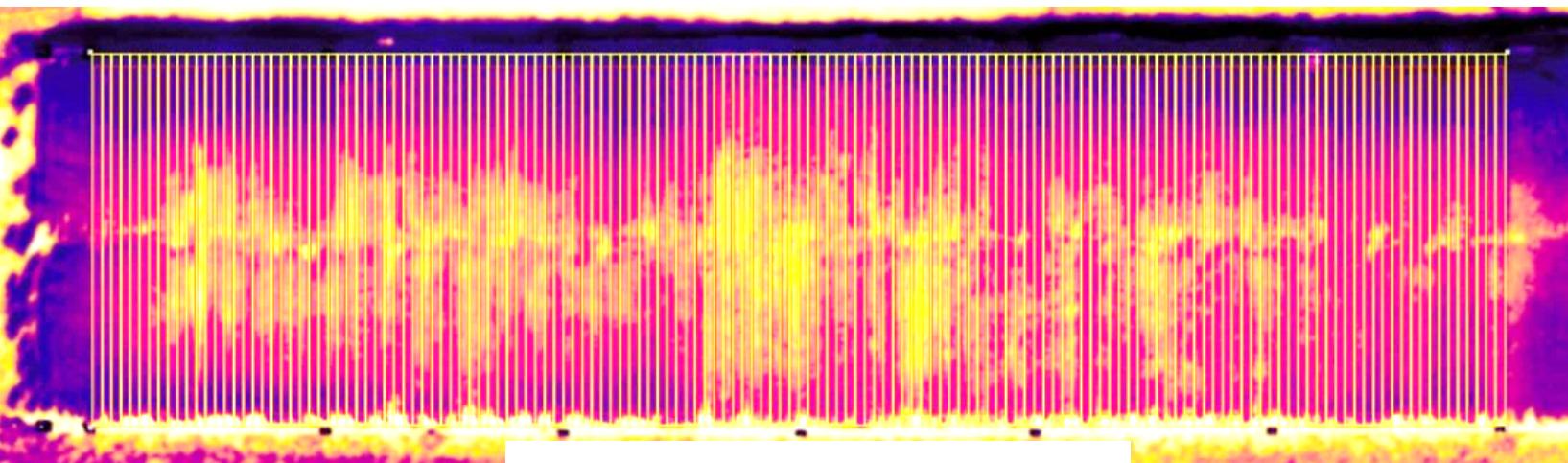


Thermal map  
19. June 2017  
Altitude 30 m  
Barley, flag leaf



Thermal map  
7. July 2017  
Altitude 30 m  
Barley, anthesis

# Row-extraction and image analysis with *PlotCut* and *R*



## 2018 work – 3 Core-groups do research

- Winter wheat (Unit 1 and Unit 2) AND Potatoes (Unit 3 and unit 4)
- Measure root depth
- Measure stomata conductance, Carbon Isotope, N15
- Frequent UAS imaging morning and noon over a longer period
- Combine Root, Canopy and Thermography/Multispectral/RGB
- Challenges:
  - Surface roughness (different cultivars, different height)
  - Wind (rainout shelters may create unwanted turbulence/shelter wind)
  - Sun and RH% (often clouds and high humidity, bidirectional reflectance)
  - Temperature effects from concrete walls and passages
  - Background temperature (soil)
  - Stress indices (e.g. CWSI, VIT) or merely canopy temperature (Tc-Ta)
  - Image analysis, photogrammetry, radiometric correction, resolution, altitude...

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# Thank you

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