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Cassava Mosaic Disease in Southeast Asia: State of play & the way forward

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Establishing sustainable solutions to cassava disease in mainland Southeast Asia



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Brings together a regional and multidisciplinary team

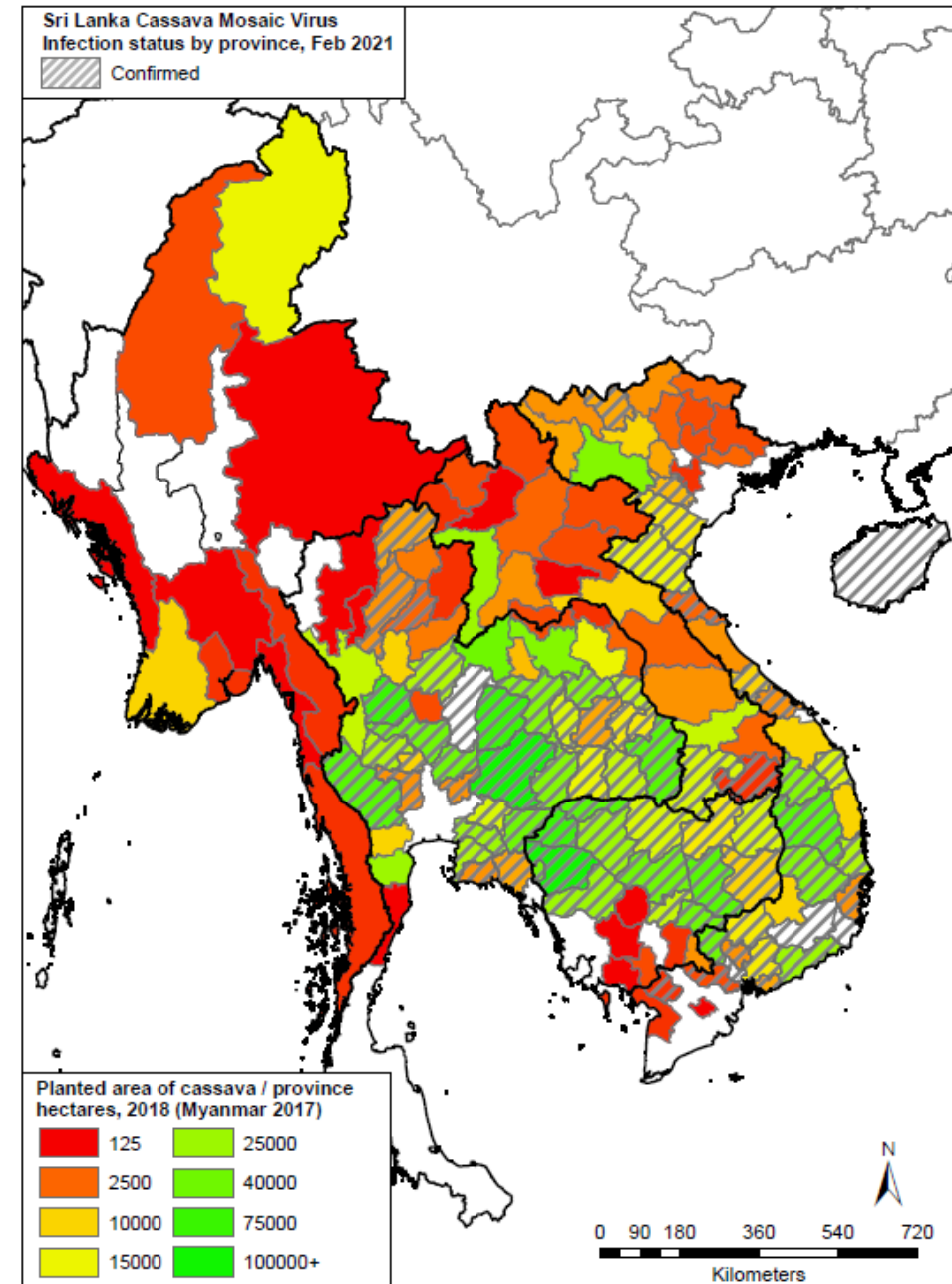
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What is the current situation?

Status of the pandemic

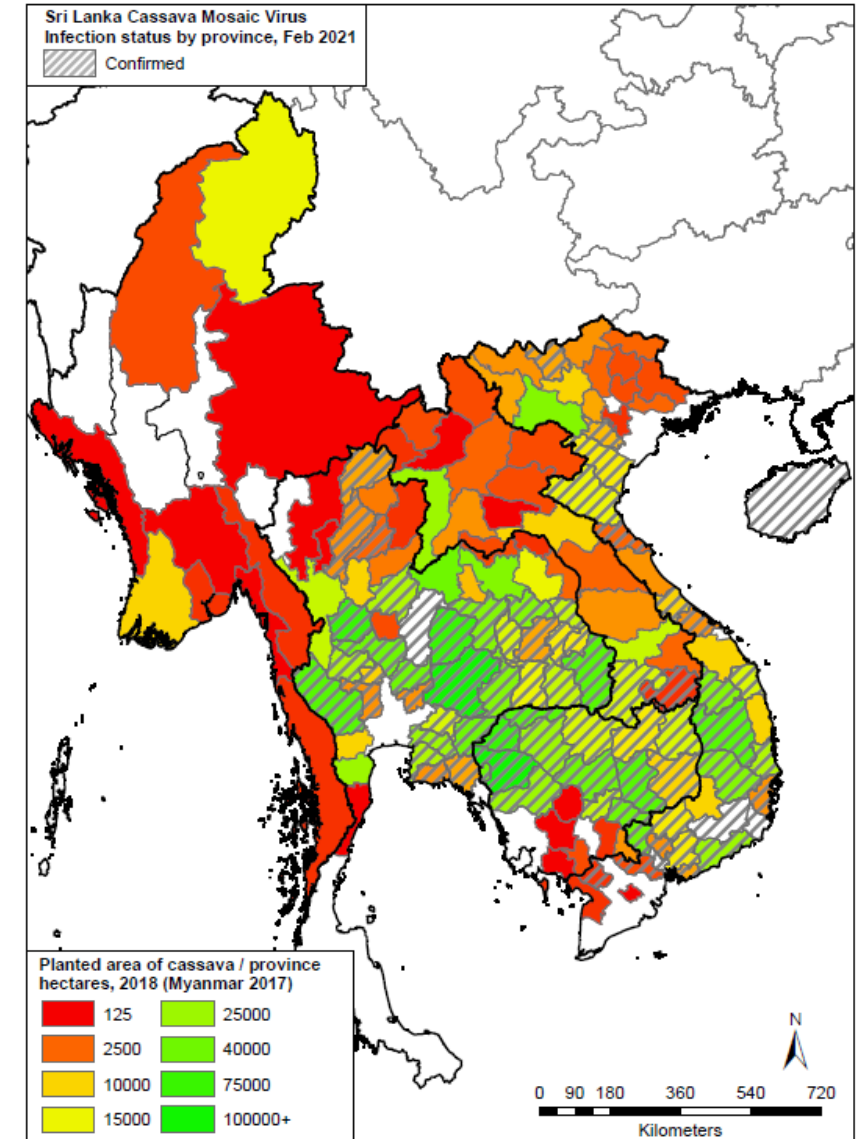
- 6 years after being first reported in Northeast Cambodia, Cassava Mosaic Disease has now been reported in the majority of the main cassava growing provinces in the region.



Status of CMD in Mainland SE Asia

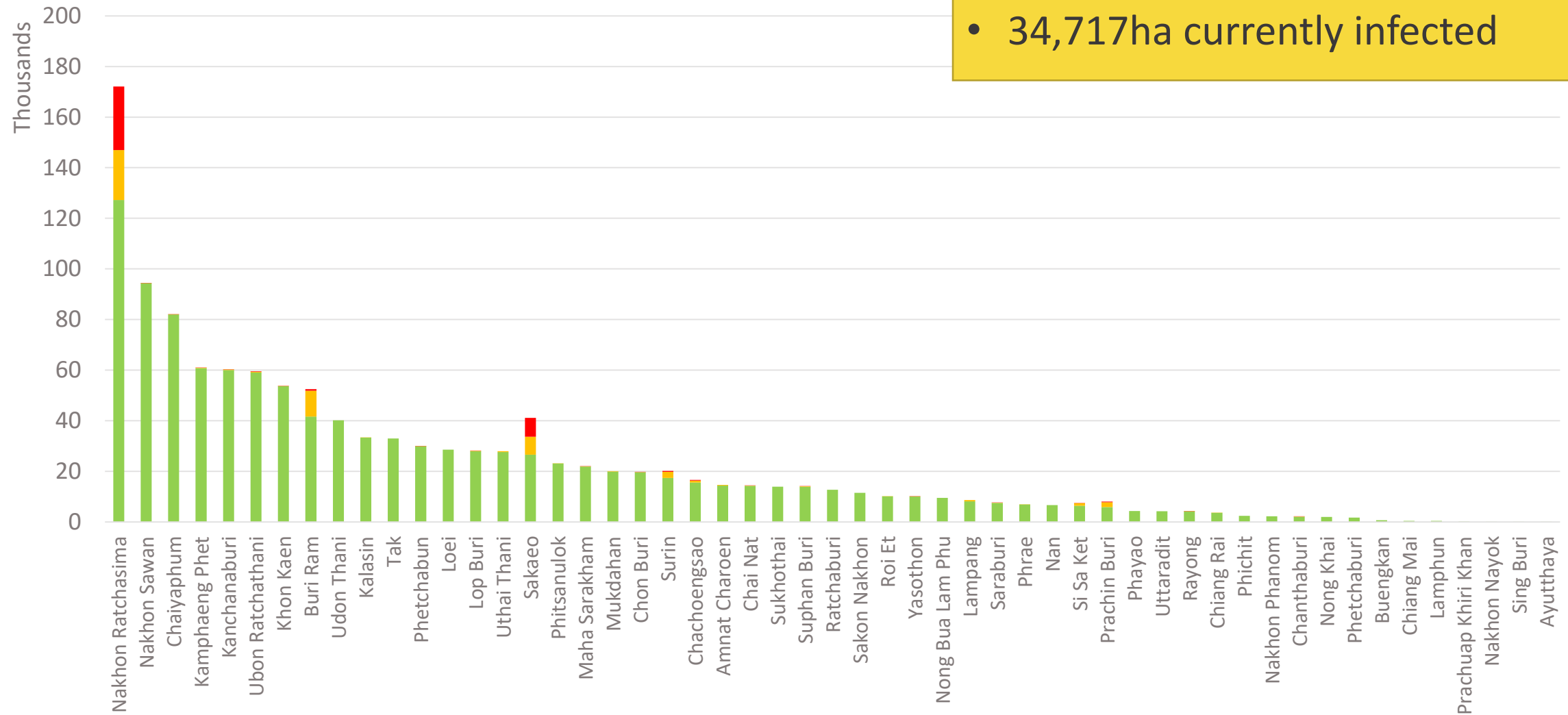
	First reported	Number of provinces	Estimated cassava area	Impacted area
Cambodia	May 2015	14	587,120 ha	~205,500ha*
Vietnam	May 2017	24	471,702 ha	~83,360 ha
Thailand	July 2018	32	1,048,660 ha	~80,785 ha
Lao PDR	July 2020	2	101,490 ha	20-50ha
Myanmar	NA	NA	33,390 ha	NA ?
Total		72	2,242,380 ha	~370,000ha

17% including the most productive regions



Some perspective - Thailand

- 32 Provinces
- 80,785 ha cumulative infected area
- 34,717ha currently infected



DOA Thailand

■ Not reported ■ Eradicated ■ Infected

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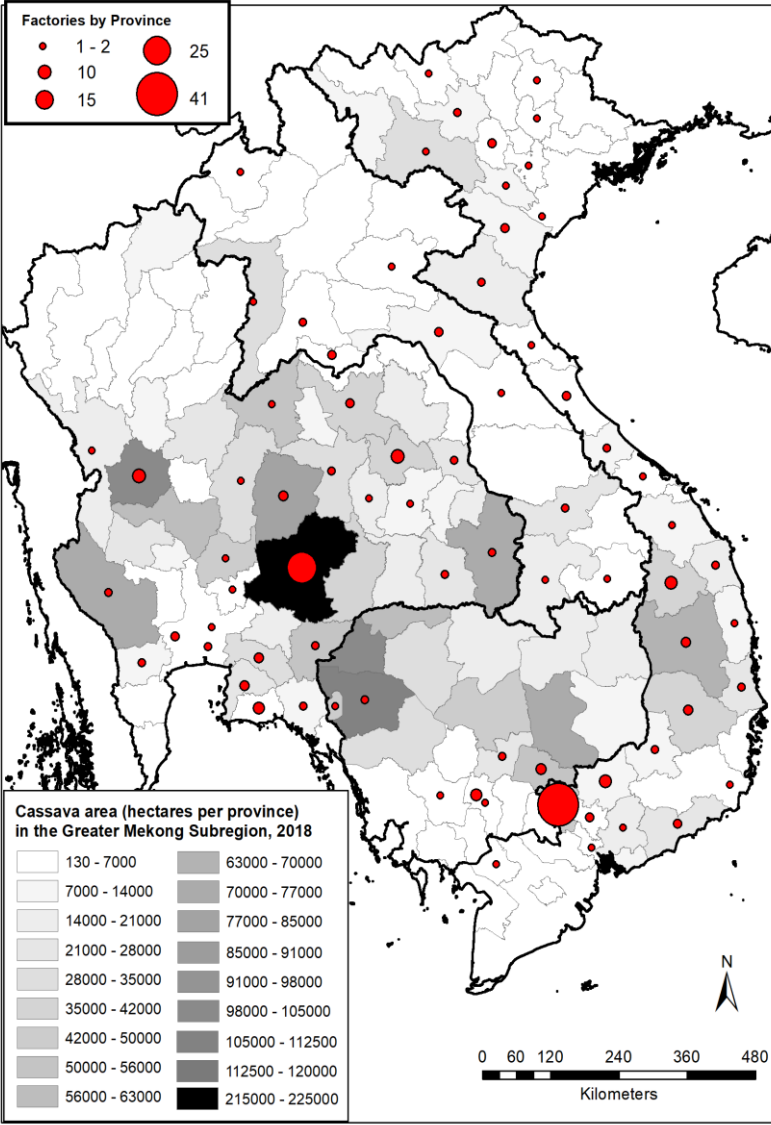
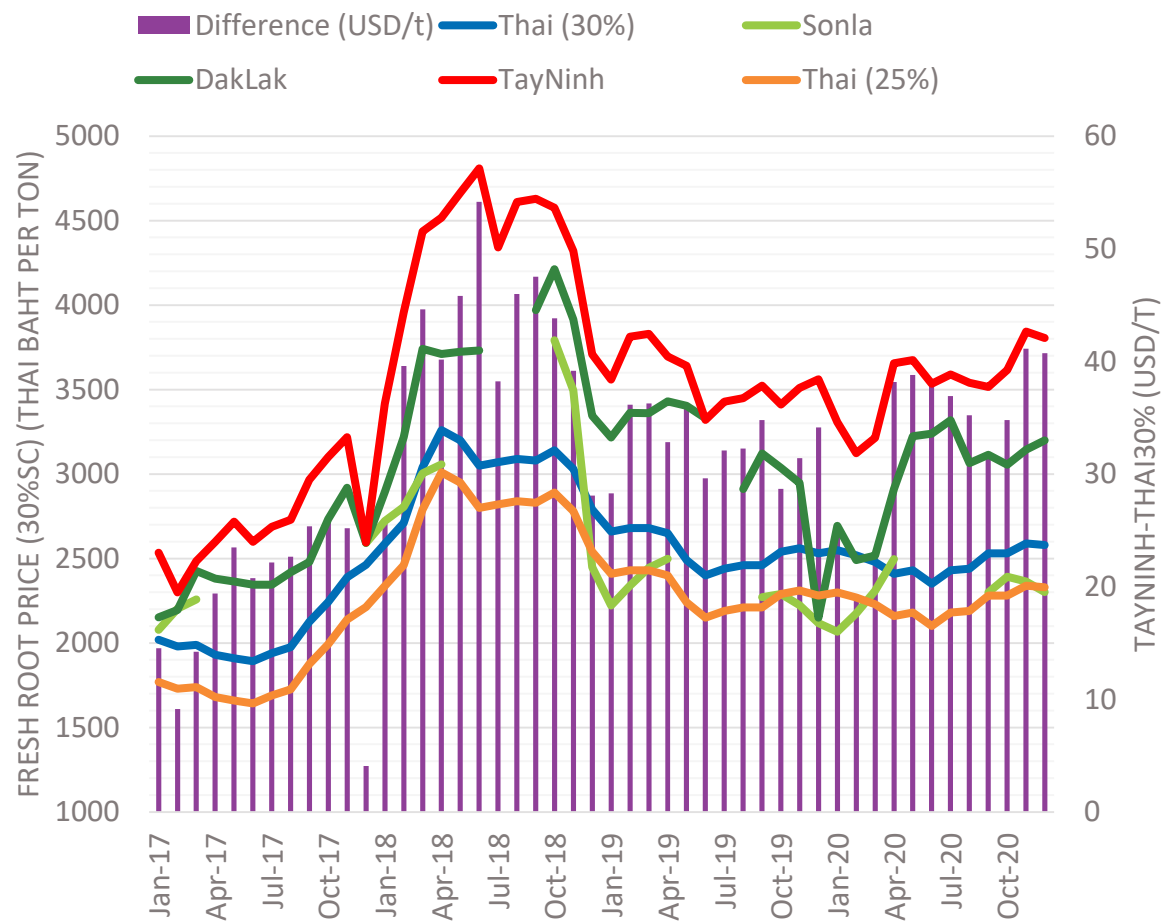


Vietnam perspective

Year	Total planted areas (ha)	Accumulative infected areas (ha)	% infected	#provinces infected
2017	442,850	2,439	1%	2
2018	446,231	40,058	9%	14
2019	467,515	69,954	15%	20
2020	471,702	83,361	18%	24
Current standing 19 Feb 2021	306,048	43,050	14%	17

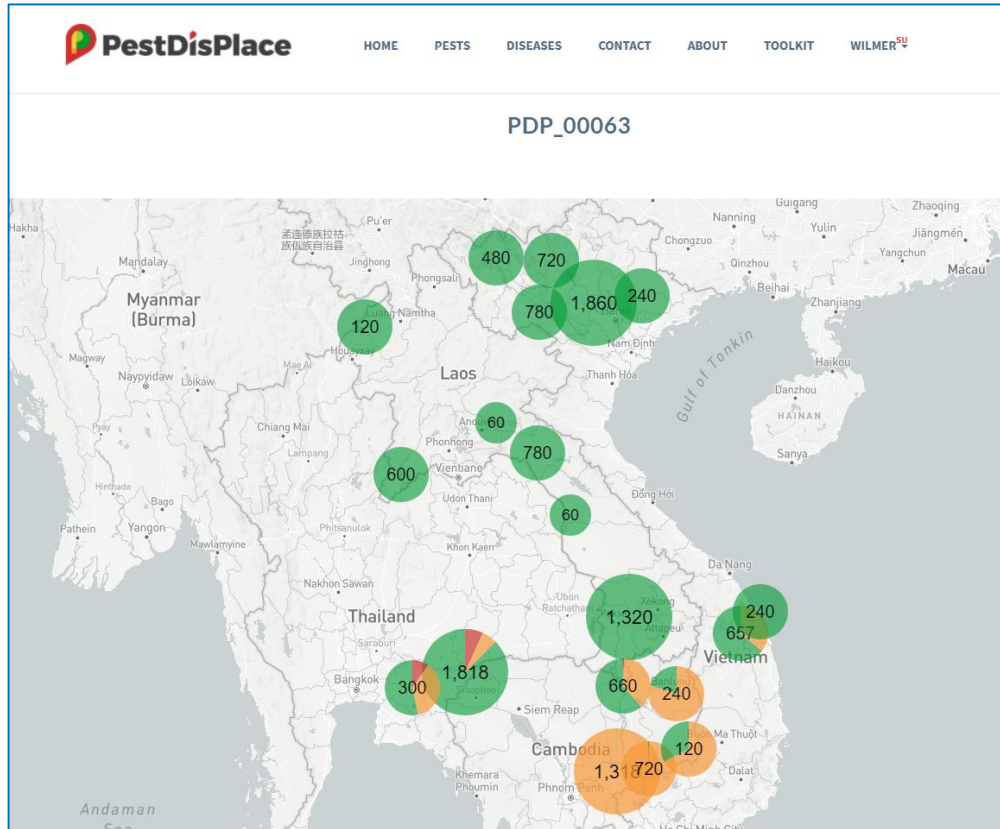


Contributing to root prices



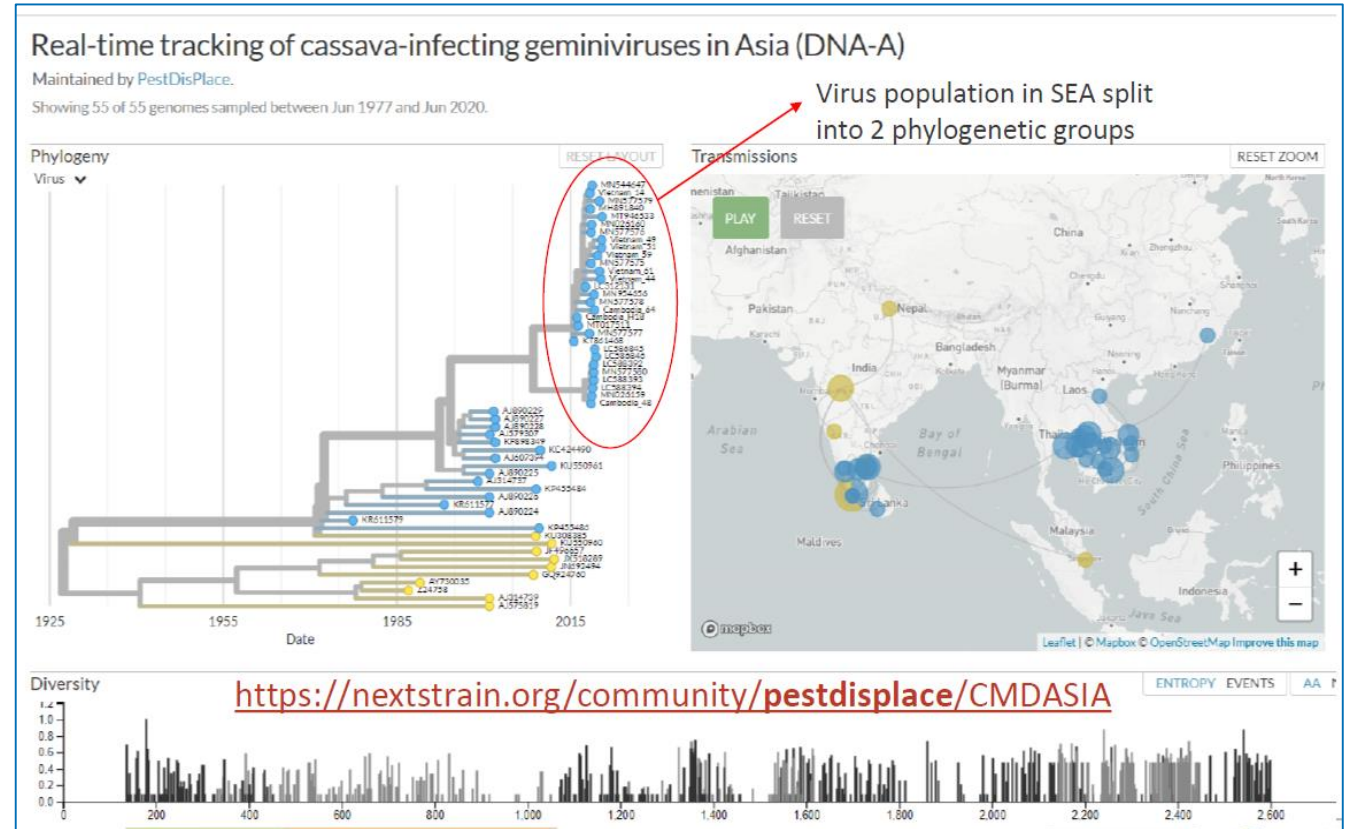
Disease Surveillance with National Plant Protection Departments

Using standard protocols at regional level, in 2020, more than 14,000 field observations for CMD have been collected and analyzed for CMD

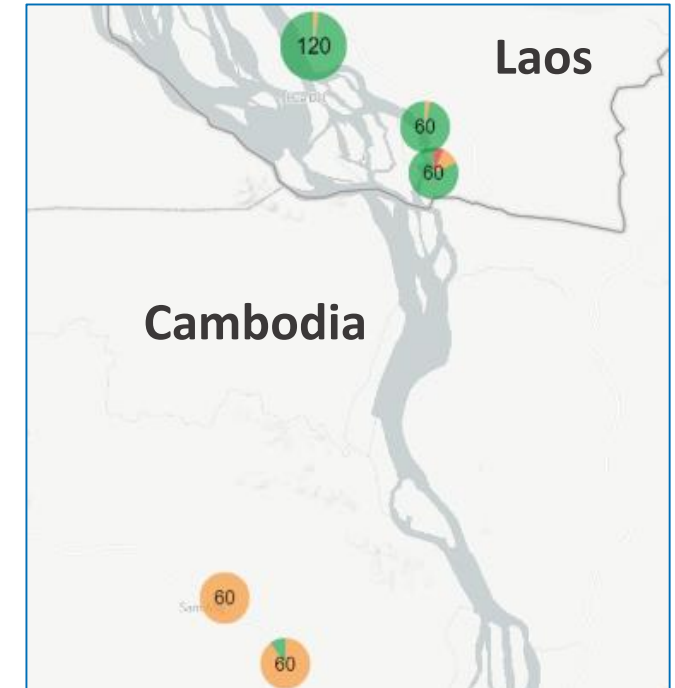


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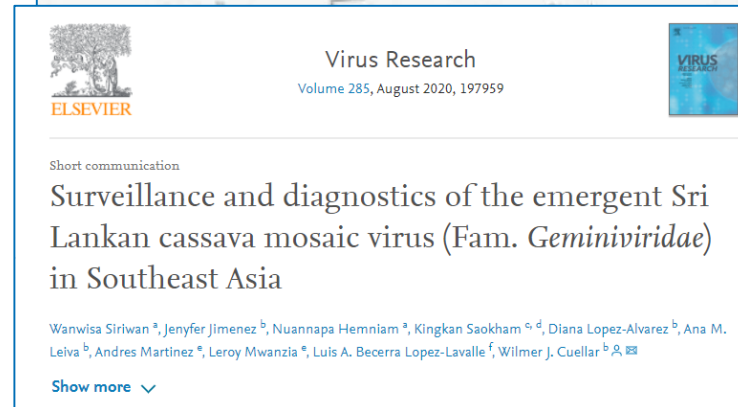
We link field observations to rapid molecular diagnostics and genomic surveillance of SLCMV (using Nanopore and Nextstrain), to track the appearance of new virus strains



Harmonized protocols > validation of results > rapid communication



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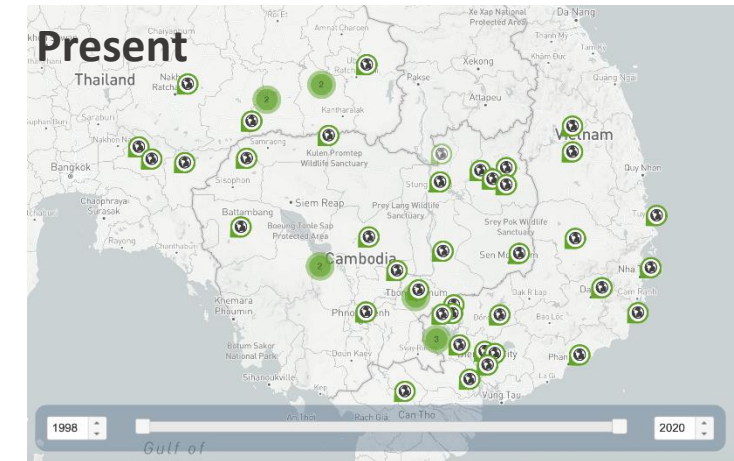
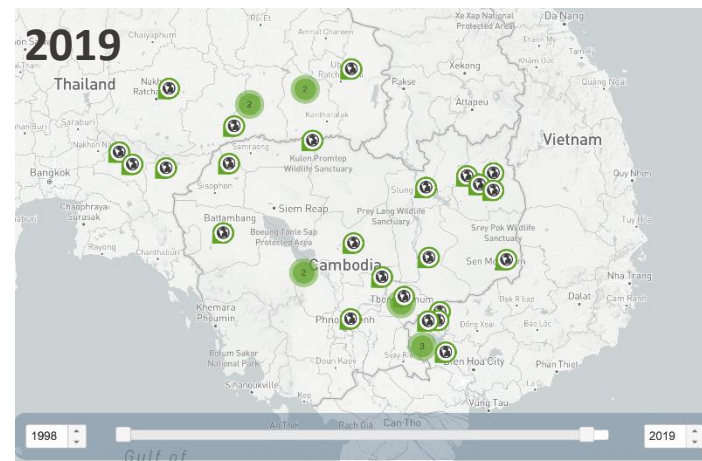
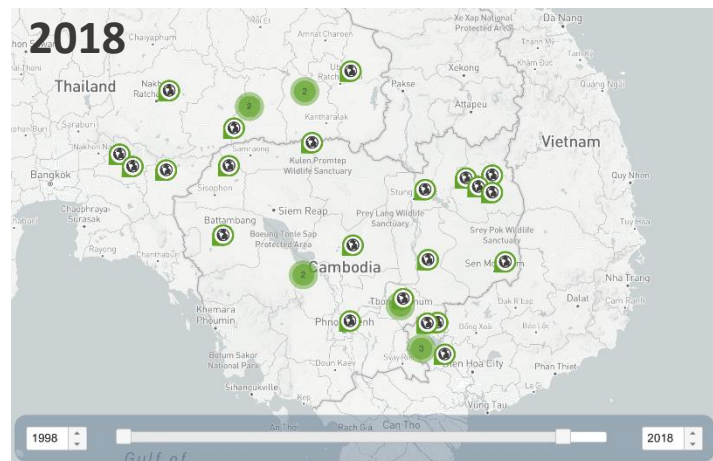
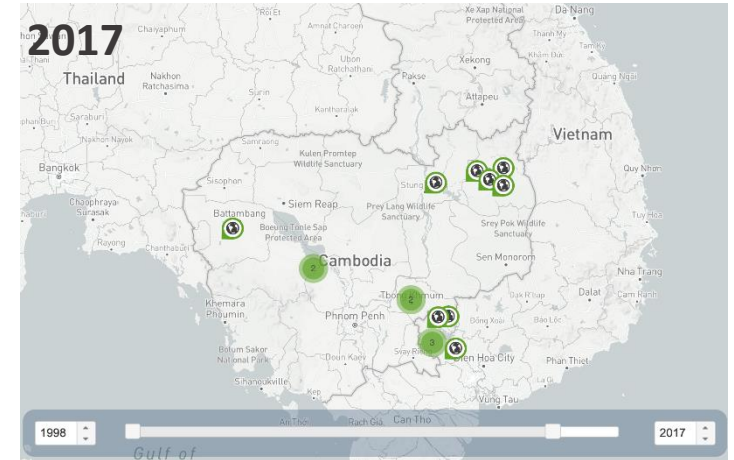
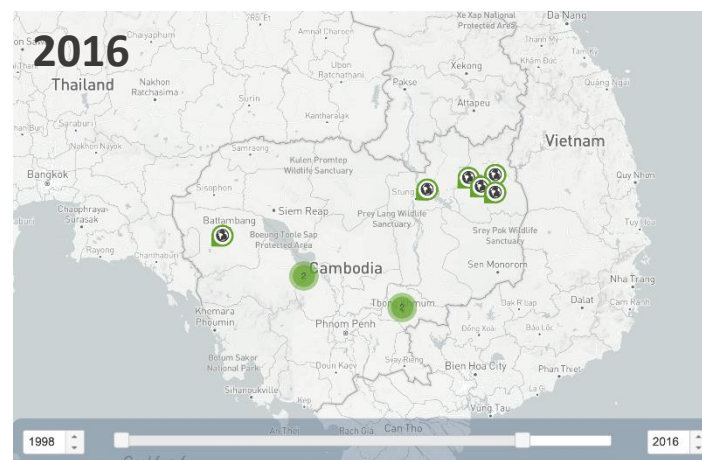
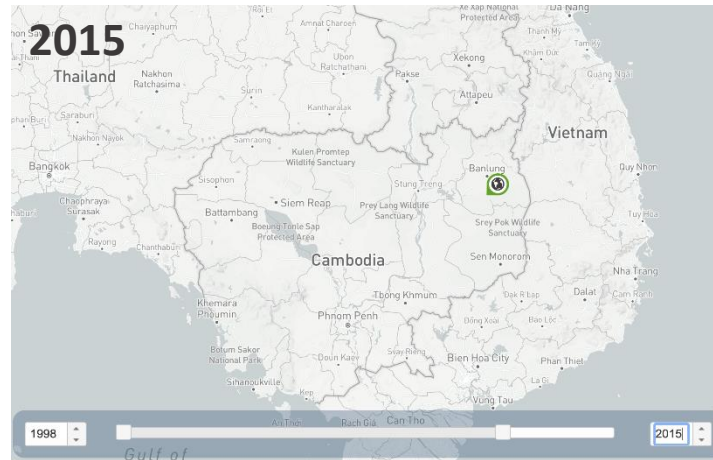


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CMD distribution over time and locations for rapid multiplication



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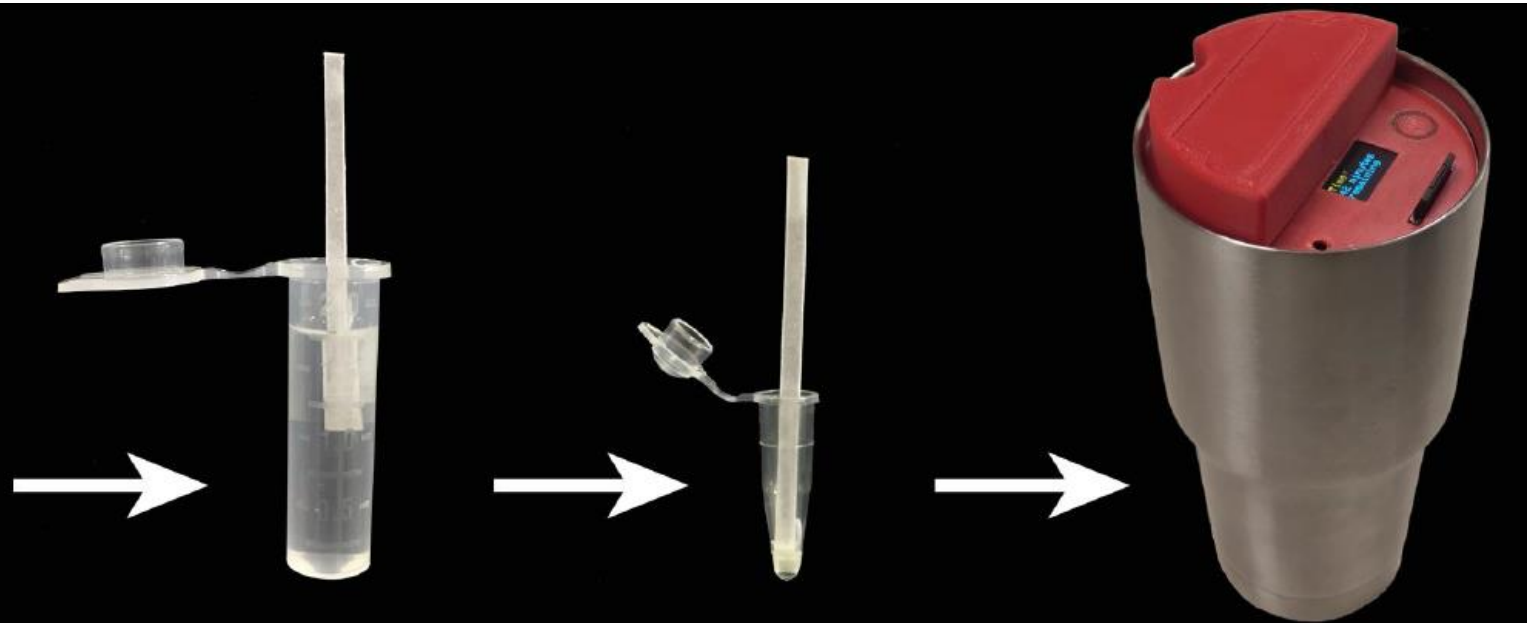
Developing rapid in-field diagnostics



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Macerate tissue and bind
nucleic acids



Wash to remove
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Amplify to detect
disease

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Breeding & seed systems

Single plant Single row

PYT

AYT

UYT

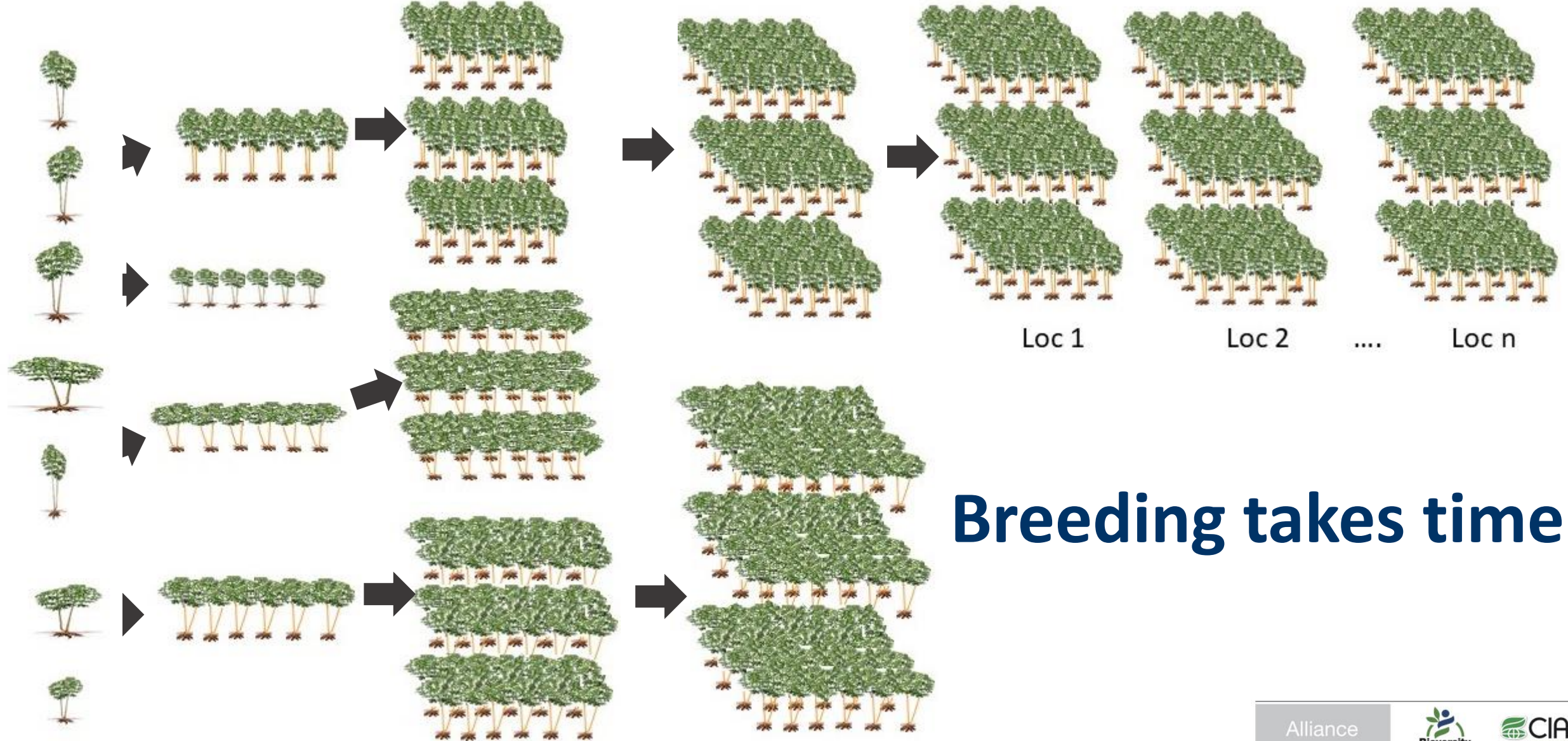
1(1)

6-8 (1)

10 (3)

20-25 (3)

20-25 (3) and “n” locations



Breeding takes time!

Phased strategy to get resistant varieties into farmers fields as quickly as possible

1. Determine the best existing elite Asian cassava variety for rapid multiplication
2. Evaluate existing resistant varieties and clones from outside Asia.
Under strict phytosanitary protocol for the movement of genetic material
3. Develop new varieties through conventional breeding with national cassava breeding programs in Thailand and Vietnam

Short-term

Degrees of resistance and susceptibility



1. = No visible symptoms (highly resistant)



2: =mild chlorotic patterns on entire leaflets or mild distortion at base of leaflets, rest of leaflets appearing green and healthy (moderately resistant).



3: = strong mosaic patterns on entire leaf, and narrowing and distortion of lower one-third of leaflets (tolerant)



4: = severe mosaic, distortion of two-thirds of leaflets and general reduction of leaf size (susceptible).



5: = severe mosaic, distortion of four-fifths or more of leaflets, twisted and misshapen leaves (highly susceptible)

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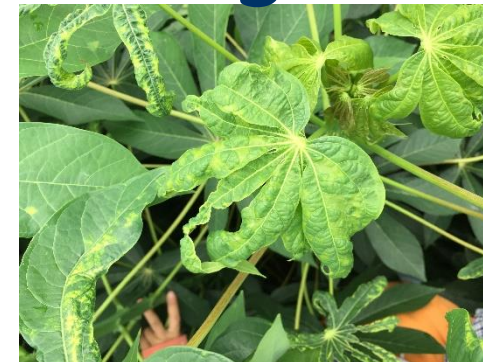
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4



5 = 4 + stunting



Evaluation of existing Asian elite varieties

Funding support



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1. Large variation between existing varieties
2. Timing matters – early infection = lower yield
3. Plants from clean and positive selection planting material produced 2- to 3-fold higher yields than diseased planting material



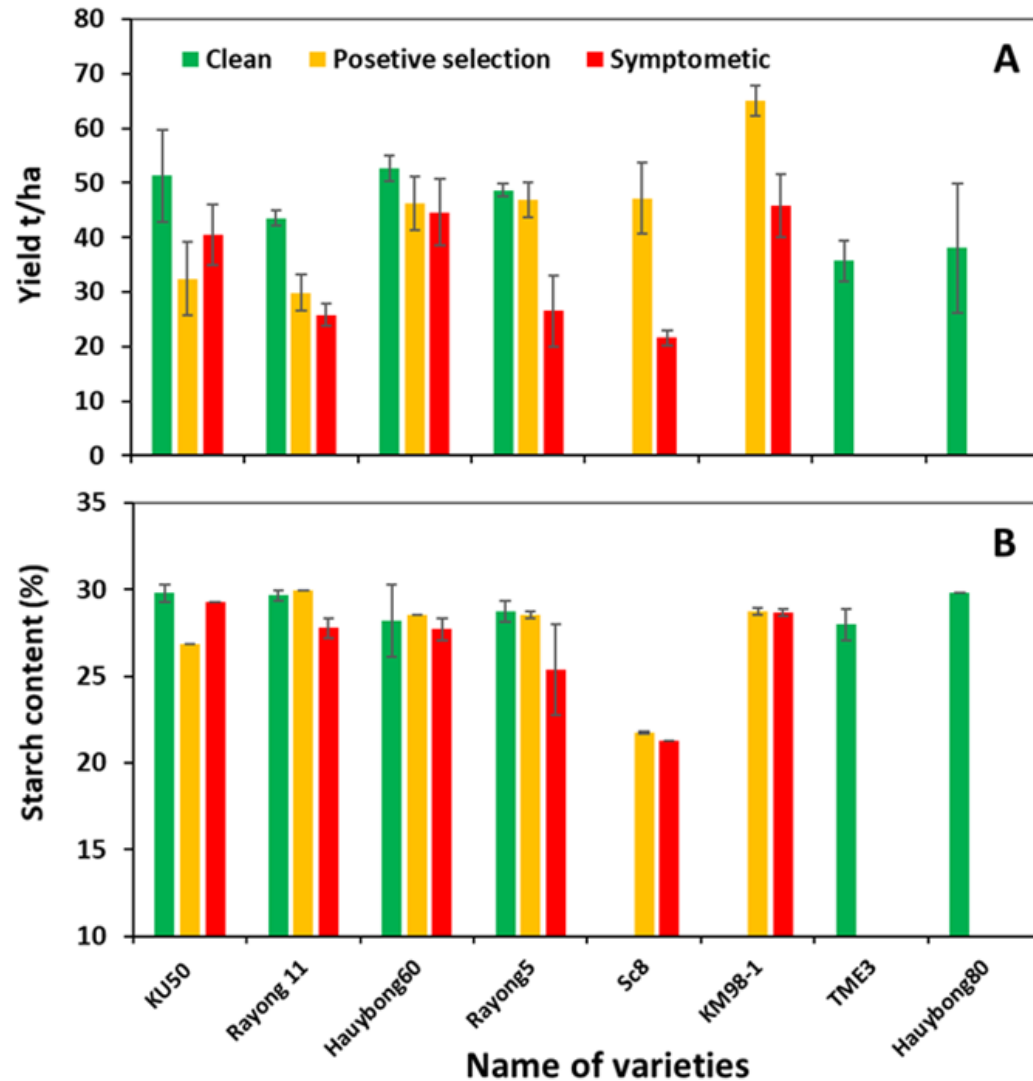
Current advice: KU50,
Rayong72, HB60

Avoid: Rayong11, Variety89,
HL-S11, SC8

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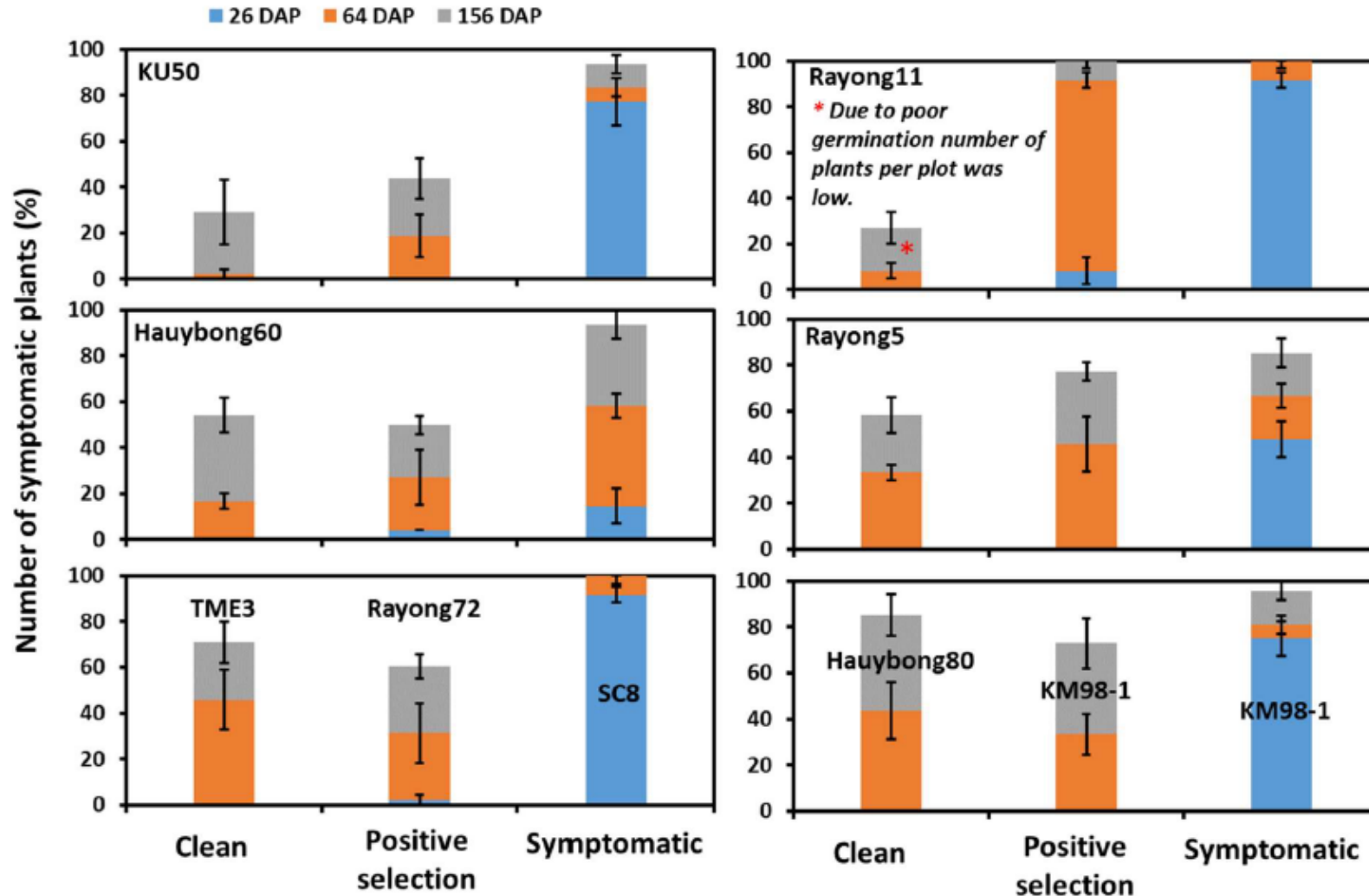
Experimental results from 2020 harvest



1. With **good management** can still achieve 40-50t/ha
2. Plot yield was 1.2- to 2.2-fold higher in plants from clean and/or positive selection planting material than those from symptomatic planting material



Why do we need a clean seed system?



PCR analysis reveals a large % of asymptomatic infection

Potential for a 'Trojan horse' situation

Rayong 72



KM419*

Cassava Witches Broom Disease rides again?



Impacting yield, starch content and incomes

Kampong Cham, Cambodia



50.8t/ha @ 30.7 % starch content
= 24 tons of Dried Chips



29.4t/ha @ 25.4 % starch content
= 12 tons Dried Chips



Medium term

Major Sources of CMD Resistance In South-East Asia

1) 5 IITA clones, all showing high resistance in Tay Ninh;

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3) 10 resistant varieties from the clones collected in Vietnam

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4) 102 CIAT clones containing CMD2 genes according to SSR markers

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5) introduced seeds from Hawaii (progenitors from CIAT and IITA)

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6) 474 seeds for genomic selection derived from CMD donors at CIAT

Resistant varieties from IITA

- Third season of evaluation in Vietnam
- 2 varieties under consideration of release in 2021 in Vietnam
- Highly resistant to CMD – score 1
- **Harvest in March** (next month)
- Starch content < existing elite varieties
- Also being evaluated by KU-TTDI in Thailand
- In Cambodia and Vietnam ready for evaluation in 2022



Ten Resistant Varieties were identified from 'local' varieties

	samples	accession_name	6week	3mon	6mon	10mon	germin.	yield_plot	
Hanatee	VN19-1432, VN19-1556	PER262/CR63/TAI9	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.4	0.62	15.8	
	VN19-442	UNK-CI	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.00	30.0	←
	VN19-1050, VN19-1039	VNM8/KM57	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.5	0.77	15.5	
	HG2	HG2	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.4	0.68	12.3	
	VN19-320	UNQ-44	1.0	1.6	1.2	1.5	0.34	26.3	
	VN19-773	UNQ-115	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.6	0.97	25.8	
	VN19-1194, VN19-1184	UNK-F	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.7	0.72	24.8	
	VN19-390	UNK-CH	1.1	1.2	1.5	1.7	0.44	21.5	
	VN19-2583	UNK-AR	1.2	1.5	1.6	1.9	0.65	11.0	
	LC1	LC1	1.1	1.4	1.3	1.6	0.75	16.0	
		KM140	1.5	1.8	2.3	3.4	0.77	12.4	
		KM297	1.6	1.7	1.7	2.5	0.27	17.3	
		KM419	1.8	2.2	2.5	2.4	0.89	14.2	
		KU50/KM94	1.4	1.4	1.8	2.3	0.61	21.6	←
		SC8/SC205	1.4	1.5	2.3	3.2	0.34	15.0	
		Rayong1	1.5	1.7	1.6	3.0	0.42	17.5	
		Rayong60/KM60	1.8	1.9	2.0	3.3	0.58	18.7	

**From 2018-2019 yield trial, 4 replications, 5 plants harvested for yield evaluation.*

Local varieties from Vietnam



VN19-442 (GG254)



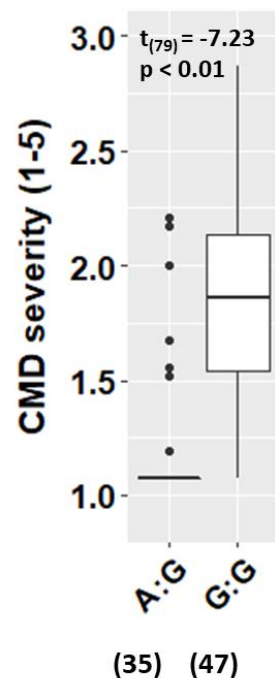
**VN19-1556
(HANATEE/PER262/CR63/TAI9)**

accession_name	count	CMD_1	CMD_2	Mean	Mother	Father
AR11-12	50	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-243	CW259-43
AR12-11	48	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW234-2
AR12-57	72	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW234-2
AR14-2	89	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW257-10
AR14-3	92	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW257-10
AR15-6	42	1.0	1.1	1.1	C-33	CW257-12
AR17-18	64	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW258-17
AR17-23	54	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW258-17
AR17-3	75	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW258-17
AR18-1	33	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-377	CW257-12
AR23-1	93	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-39	CW259-43
AR35-1	54	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-243	CW257-10
AR37-103	70	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW259-42
AR37-38	77	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-33	CW259-42
AR40-19	74	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-39	CW259-42
AR40-3	80	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-39	CW259-42
AR40-5	57	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-39	CW259-42
AR42-3	33	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-413	CW259-42
AR42-4	69	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-413	CW259-42
AR9-12	55	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-243	CW257-12
AR9-14	82	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-243	CW257-12
AR9-48	91	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-243	CW257-12
AR9-63	86	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-243	CW257-12
CR100-2	88	1.0	1.0	1.0	OW181-2	C-377
CR100-5	63	1.0	1.0	1.0	OW181-2	C-377
CR100-9	45	1.0	1.0	1.0	OW181-2	C-377
CR13-8	85	1.0	1.0	1.0	COL1734	C-33
CR24-16	76	1.0	1.0	1.0	CM7951-5	C-18
CR24-3	90	1.0	1.0	1.0	CM7951-5	C-18
CR25-4	89	1.0	1.0	1.0	CM7951-5	C-33
CR27-20	50	1.1	1.0	1.1	CM7951-5	C-243
CR52A-2	78	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-243	SM1219-9
CR52A-4	77	1.1	1.0	1.1	C-243	SM1219-9
CR60B-10	95	1.0	1.0	1.0	C-18	TAI8
CR61A-1	71	1.0	1.0	1.0	TAI8	C-33
IITA-TMS-IBA920057	91	1.0	1.0	1.0		
IITA-TMS-IBA980505	96	1.0	1.0	1.0		
IITA-TMS-IBA980581	57	1.0	1.0	1.0		
TMEB419	83	1.0	1.0	1.0		
S140	52	2.6	2.6	2.6		
KM419	56	2.6	2.8	2.7		
KM94	41	2.8	2.9	2.8		
KM419	39	3.0	2.9	2.9		
KM94	35	3.2	2.7	3.0		
SDA5	52	3.0	2.9	3.0		
KM419	43	3.5	2.7	3.1		
KM140	80	3.2	3.1	3.1		
SDA30	55	3.9	2.9	3.4		



102 CIAT Clones Containing CMD2 Genes according to SSR markers

43 of 102 clones showed high resistance (No symptoms)
Yield trials were established in Tay Ninh and Dong Nai, in May 2020.



Validate DNA marker

Yield trial design (48 clones)											
60m = 12plot x 5m/plot											
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144
AR11-11	AR9-63	CR24-3	AR40-5	VR19-234	AR42-3	IITA-TMS-IBA980581	CR52A-1	AR11-12	CR100-5	CR13-8	CR60B-10
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
11	23	35	47	59	71	83	95	107	119	131	143
CR60B-10	CR52A-2	CR27-20	AR23-1	AR9-48	CR24-16	CR24-3	AR9-63	KM94	CR100-2	IITA-TMS-IBA980505	AR17-23
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
10	22	34	46	58	70	82	94	106	118	130	142
AR12-57	C-33	KM905	CR24-16	C-39	AR17-103	CR100-5	AR9-12	HS11	AR9-12	CR24-4	AR12-57
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
9	21	33	45	57	69	81	93	105	117	129	141
CR2-4	AR17-23	CR24-4	CR100-9	AR40-19	N50	KM905	IITA-TMS-IBA920057	AR40-3	VR19-254	AR40-19	AR18-1
PATHWAY/SPRINGGLERS											
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
8	20	32	44	56	68	80	92	104	116	128	140
KM419	AR17-18	AR42-4	AR17-103	CR100-10	CR2-4	IITA-TMS-IBA980505	KM140	AR17-3	C-33	AR23-1	CR24-3
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
7	19	31	43	55	67	79	91	103	115	127	139
TMEB419	CR100-2	AR42-3	AR11-12	AR18-1	IITA-TMS-IBA972205	AR40-3	TMEB419	KM419	AR42-3	AR9-63	AR40-5
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
6	18	30	42	54	66	78	90	102	114	126	138
IITA-TMS-IBA980505	CR13-8	AR15-1	AR14-2	AR17-18	AR17-23	AR12-11	CR1A-1	AR11-11	AR42-4	CR13-8	AR15-1
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
5	17	29	41	53	65	77	89	101	113	125	137
AR37-38	C-39	N50	VR19-254	HS11	AR17-3	CR24-4	AR37-38	CR24-2	KM140	IITA-TMS-IBA972205	AR37-38
PATHWAY/SPRINGGLERS											
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4	16	28	40	52	64	76	88	100	112	124	136
AR40-19	IITA-TMS-IBA980581	KM140	AR9-14	CR100-2	AR12-57	KM94	AR40-5	TMEB419	AR17-18	CR24-16	AR14-2
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
3	15	27	39	51	63	75	87	99	111	123	135
CR100-2	AR17-3	AR18-1	CR1A-1	AR42-4	CR100-9	AR23-1	CR1A-1	AR17-103	CR27-20	N50	
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
2	14	26	38	50	62	74	86	98	110	122	134
AR40-3	HS11	IITA-TMS-IBA972205	KM94	AR9-14	CR13-8	KM419	AR42-4	AR9-48	IITA-TMS-IBA980581	IITA-TMS-IBA920057	KM905
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
1	13	25	37	49	61	73	85	97	109	121	133
IITA-TMS-IBA920057	AR9-12	AR14-3	AR9-48	C-33	CR27-20	AR35-1	AR11-12	C-39	AR14-3	CR100-9	AR9-14
Infected barrier (HL 511) = 60 plants											
From left to right: col 1, col 2, col 3, col 4, col 5, col 6, col 7, col 8, col 9, col 10, col 11, col 12											
rep 1 (48 clones or plots), rep 2 (48 clones or plots), rep 3 (48 clones or plots)											

Advanced yield trial harvest in March 2021

Around 12 clones have good plant types.

Some with starch content comparable to existing varieties

Evaluation of resistant clones from CIAT and IITA in Vietnam

AR42-4



CR25-4



AR18-1



TMEB419



Resistant vs Non-resistant



Longer term

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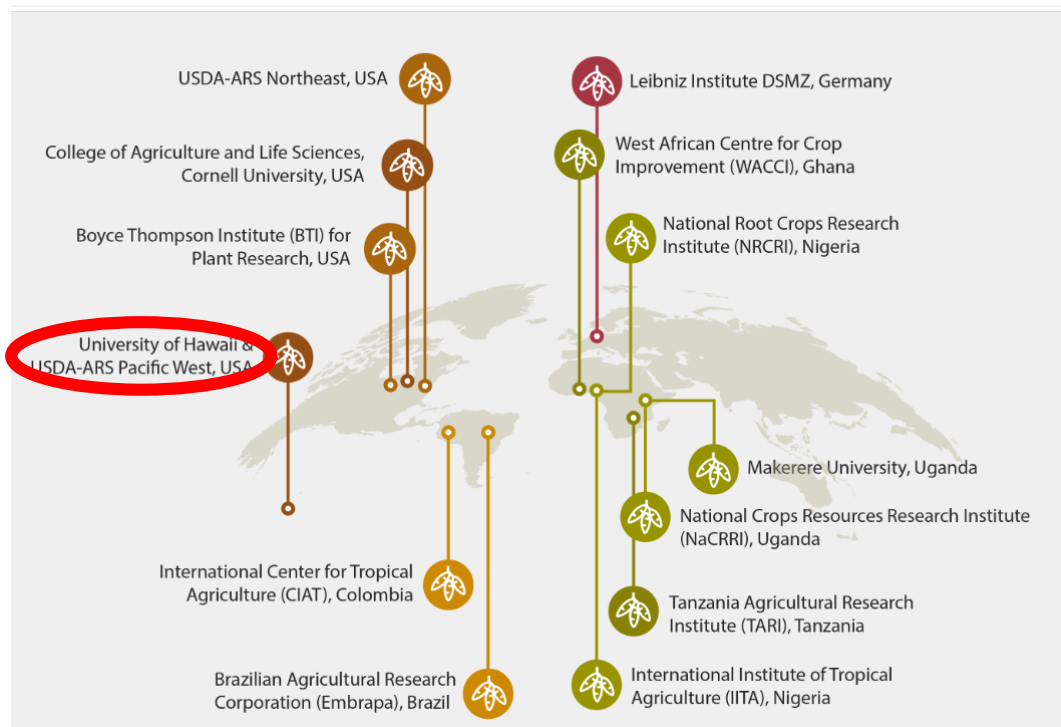
NEW 6) 474 seeds for genomic selection derived from CMD donors at CIAT



Introduced Seeds from Hawaii



	Harvest Year	Cross Type	total seed 26Apr2019
HIL19PK0201	2017	OP	80
HIL19PK0202	2017	OP	210
HIL19PK0203	2017	OP	370
HIL19PK0204	2017	OP	550
HIL19PK0205	2017	OP	525
HIL19PK0206	2017	OP	50
HIL19PK0207	2017	OP	574
HIL19PK0208	2017	OP	102
HIL19PK0209	2017	OP	900
HIL19PK0210	2017	OP	250
HIL19PK0211	2016	OP	39
HIL19PK0212	2016	OP	114
HIL19PK0213	2016	OP	49
HIL19PK0214	2016	OP	87
HIL19PK0215	2016	OP	166
HIL19PK0216	2016	OP	76
HIL19PK0217	2016	OP	21
HIL19PK0218	2016	OP	59
HIL19PK0219	2016	OP	22
HIL19PK0220	2016	OP	36
HIL19PK0221	2016	OP	129
HIL19PK0222	2016	OP	90
HIL19PK0223	2016	OP	38
HIL19PK0224	2016	OP	22
HIL19PK0225	2016	OP	34
HIL19PK0226	2016	OP	156
HIL19PK0227	2016	OP	12
HIL19PK0228	2016	OP	49
HIL19PK0229	2016	OP	110
HIL19PK0230	2016	OP	40
HIL19PK0231	2016	OP	31
Total			4991
			Vietnam



Seed now sent to Thailand, Vietnam and Lao PDR





CMD Resistance in the Genomic Prediction Population from CIAT

Maternal	Paternal	CIAT	Maternal	Paternal	VNM
COL1505	COL1722	12	CR138	PER183	10
COL1505	VEN25	12	COL1722	CR138	11
COL1505	MAL3	12	COL1505	VEN25	12
CR138	MEX2	12	MAL3	VEN25	12
CR138	PER183	12	GM579-13	SM3134-5	14
CUB46	CR138	12	COL1505	COL1722	14
CUB46	CM2766-5	12	CR138	MAL3	14
GM579-13	SM3134-5	12	MAL3	VEN25	14
MAL3	PER183	12	GM6125-13	SM2828-28	8
MAL3	VEN25	12	SM3150-17	C33	8
MEX2	PER496	6	SM3134-5	GM10054B-1	12
PER496	COL1722	5	SM3134-5	C19	12
SM1127-8	PER496	12	C33	SM2828-28	12
VEN25	PER496	12	GM7672-5	SM2828-28	12
C33	HB60	12	SM3110-15	C243	12
C33	SM2828-28	12	SM3134-5	GM10055B-1	12
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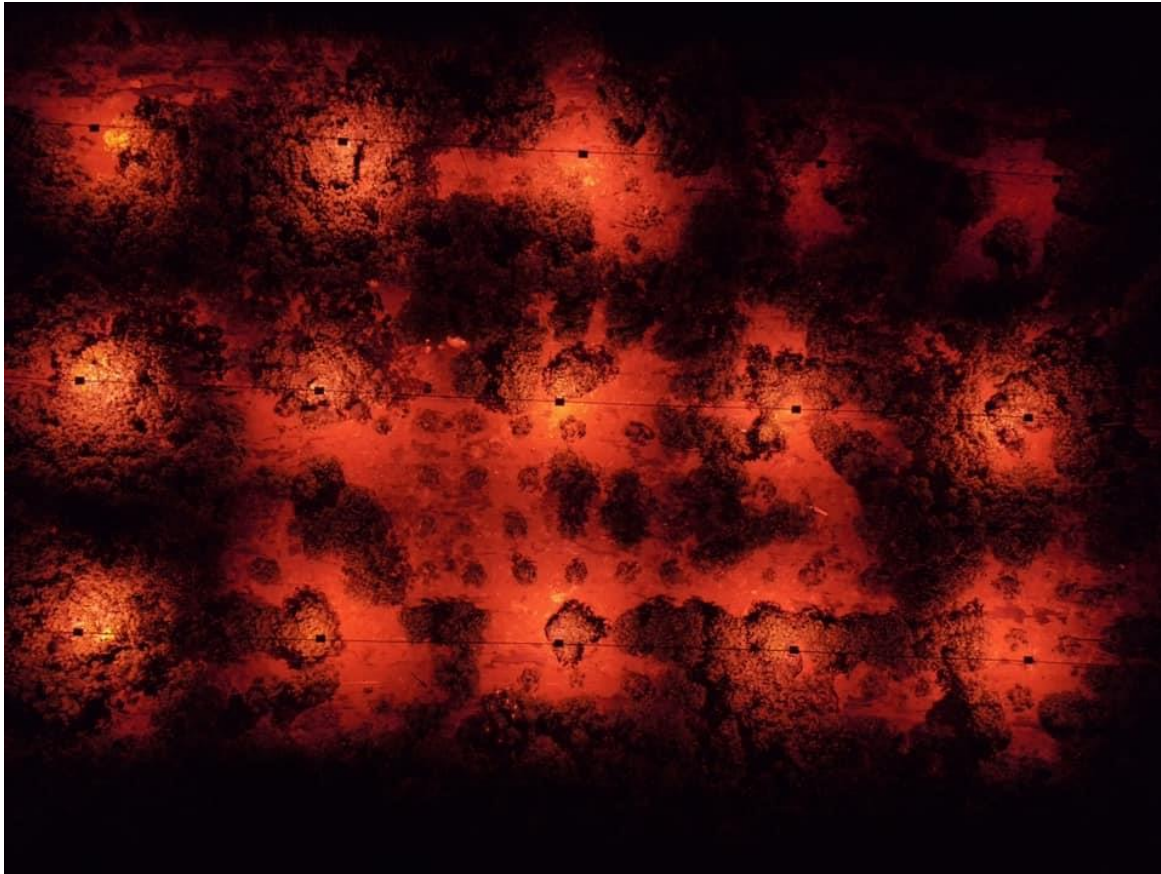


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Outcomes:

Genomic prediction models for CMD and agronomic traits
QTL and diagnostic makers

Establish crossing blocks and flower induction (North and Central Highland Vietnam)



Enhancing the cassava seed system

Enhancing the capacity of national tissue culture labs to receive new clones and maintain disease free material



NAFRI, Lao PDR



CARDI, Cambodia

Establish rapid multiplication tunnels in partnership with private sector partners and local government



Multiplication rate of 100-125x per year relative to 6-10x using conventional methods





Transplanting in the field every 2 months (irrigation)



Assessment of yield relative to conventional establishment



Success and sustainability depends on Public-Private partnerships

Long term support and coordination of activities between public and private sector

Within supply chains

- Surveillance and reporting on disease location and sources of clean stems
- Awareness raising of farmers (extension material at collection points)
- Uniform Yield Trials (UYT) for evaluation of clones in different agroecological zones
- Rapid multiplication of disease free and new varieties

Upstream

- Surveillance, including new diseases (CBSD etc.)
- Tissue culture and national genebanks
- Breeding activities of national programs



Partnerships for rapid multiplication have begun...



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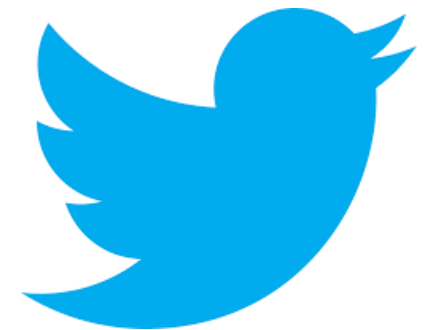
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