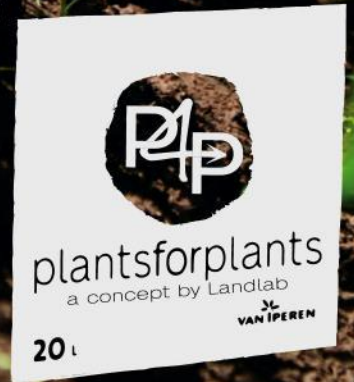




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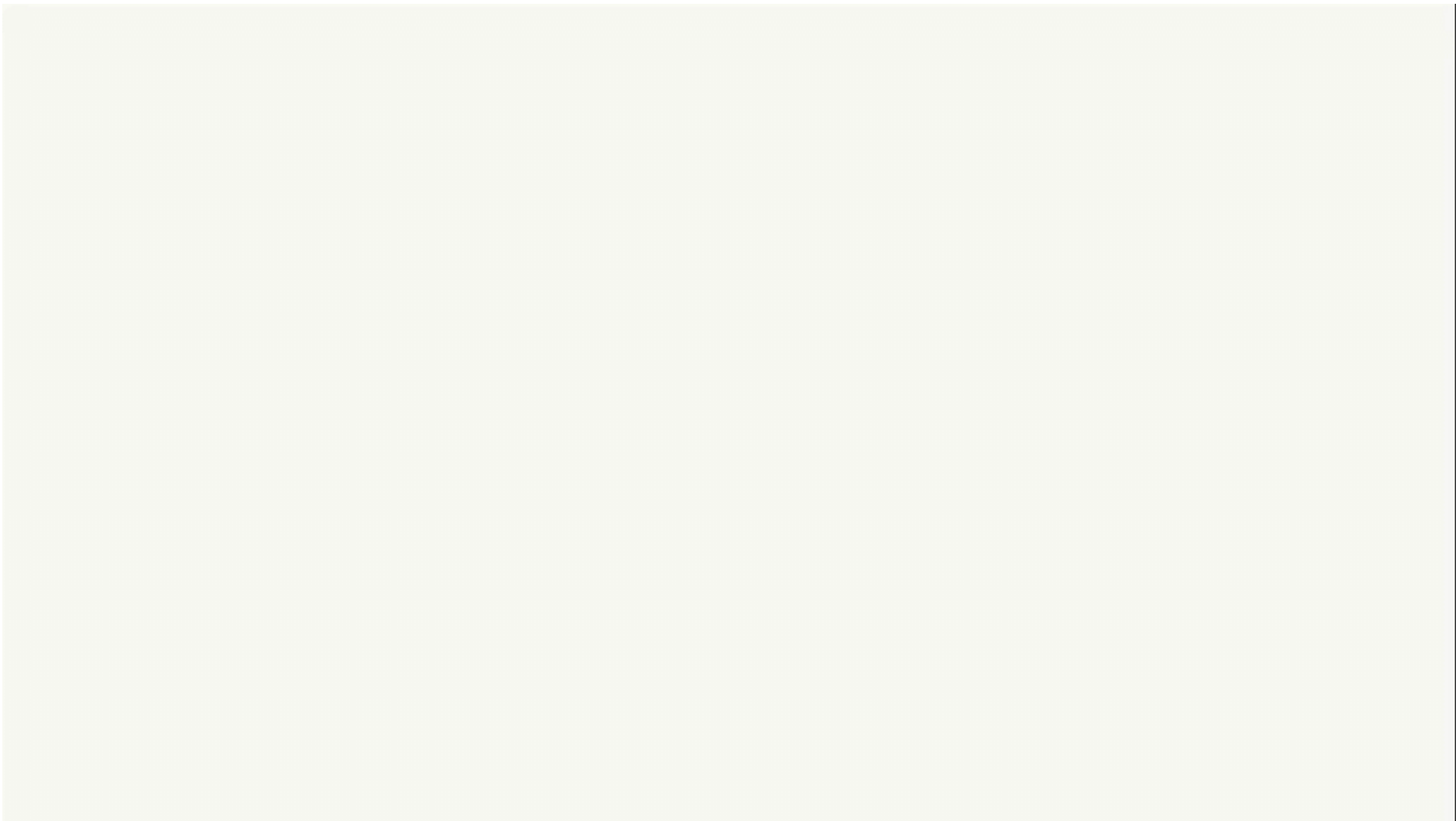
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# Plants for Plants

Plant extract based biostimulants  
Rennesse 11-06-2025

Zahi Zind – Martin Tolhoek



<https://youtu.be/BoMnYSpibY4>

# History of Plants for Plants®

The godfather of Plants for Plants



1<sup>st</sup> EU “Horizon 2020” project in 2016

Coordinating beneficiary Landlab, partnered by Van Iperen



Horizon 2020  
European Union Funding  
for Research & Innovation

2<sup>nd</sup> EU “Horizon 2020” project in 2017

Letter of excellence for Landlab, funding by Van Iperen

LIFE project since July 2019

Close to market project, stimulating final introduction





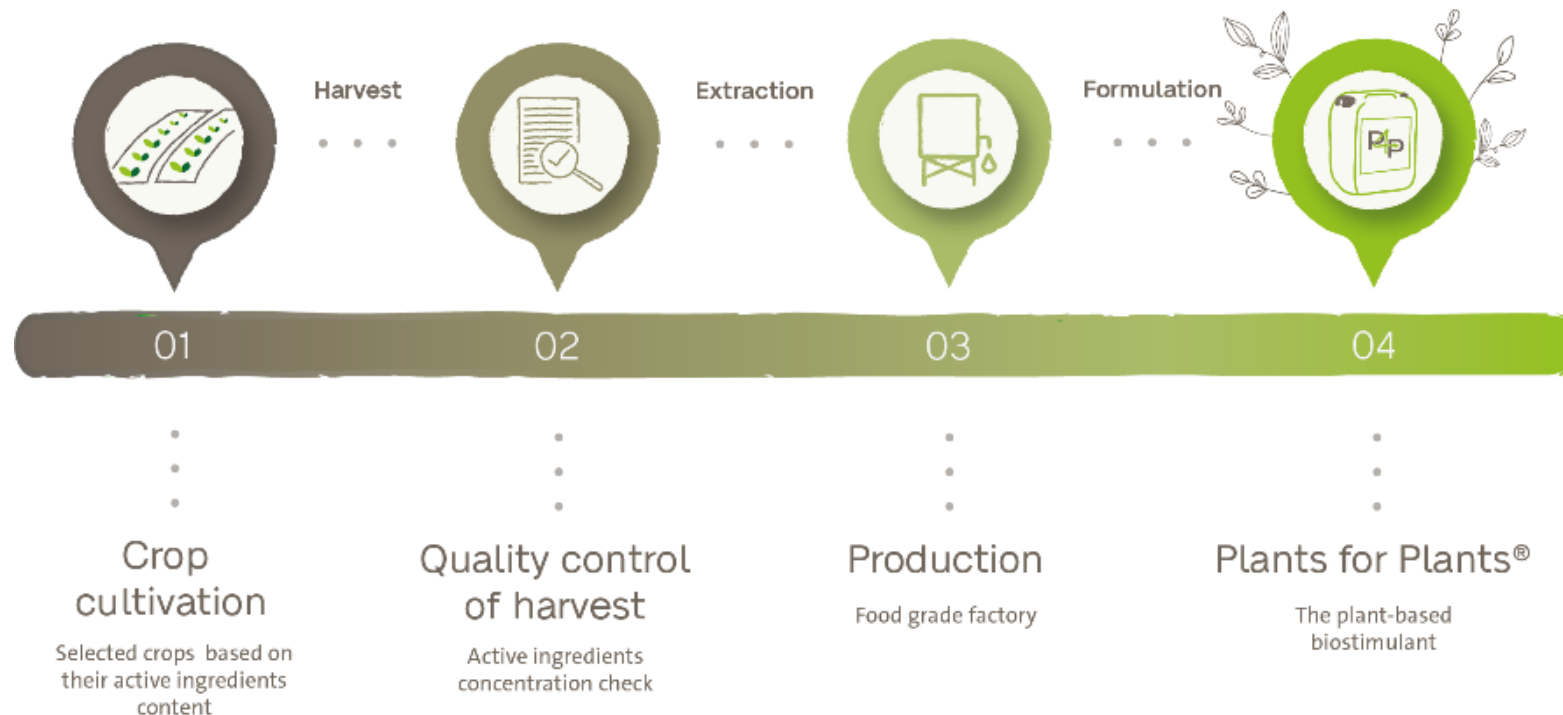
# The stakeholders of Plants for Plants®



# What makes **Plants for Plants<sup>®</sup>** unique?

# The first fully controlled plant-based Biostimulant




A fully controlled plant-based Biostimulant. What does it mean?



# Proven and consistent Biostimulation effects



- >120 trials - nearly 600 ha
- 50 crops
- 6 climate zones - 21 countries

		
Negative results	Similar yield less input (water or nutrient)	Increased yield Increased quality
6%	25%	69%





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organic and conventional agriculture



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# CE 2019 Biostimulant Law & Organic Certifications



**FiBL**

## Approved for Organic Farming

### Non Microbial Biostimulants

Plants for Plants® 4-Terra	✓	
Plants for Plants® 4-Good	✓	
Plants for Plants® 4-Vita	✓	

- **Europe** (UE 2018/848) (UE 2021/1165)
- **USA/Canada** (NOP National Organic Program)
- **JAS** (Japanese Agriculture Standard)
- **Demeter International** (FiBL) – Biodynamic Agriculture

# Plants for Plants<sup>®</sup> product range

The first 3 products on the market







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# The Field Experience

Martin Tolhoek – Van Iperen B.V

# 4-Terra – Pears NL 2021

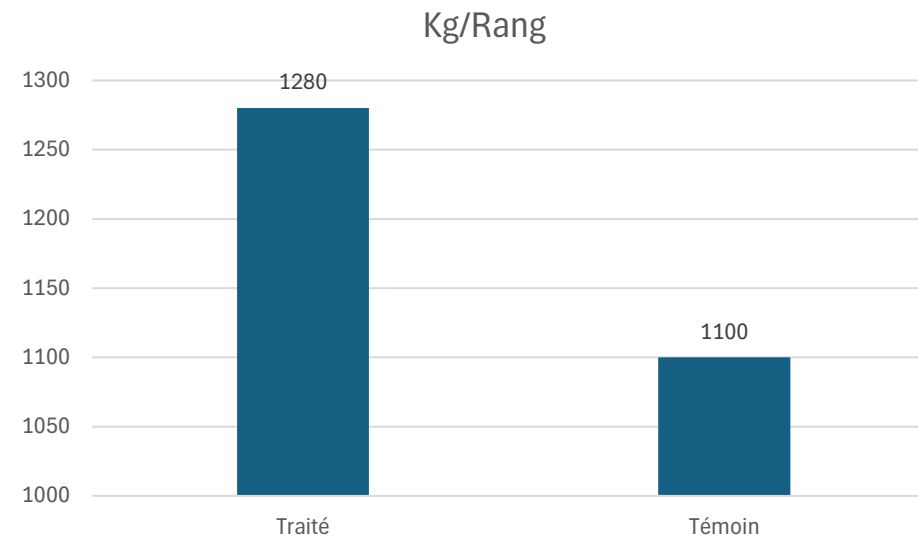


- **Location:** Wouw
- **Producer:** Bastianen
- **Area:** 0.015 Ha
- **Season:** August 2021
- **Cultivar:** Conference

Untreated : Grower program

Treatment: 3 applications x 5.33 L/Ha of 4-Terra

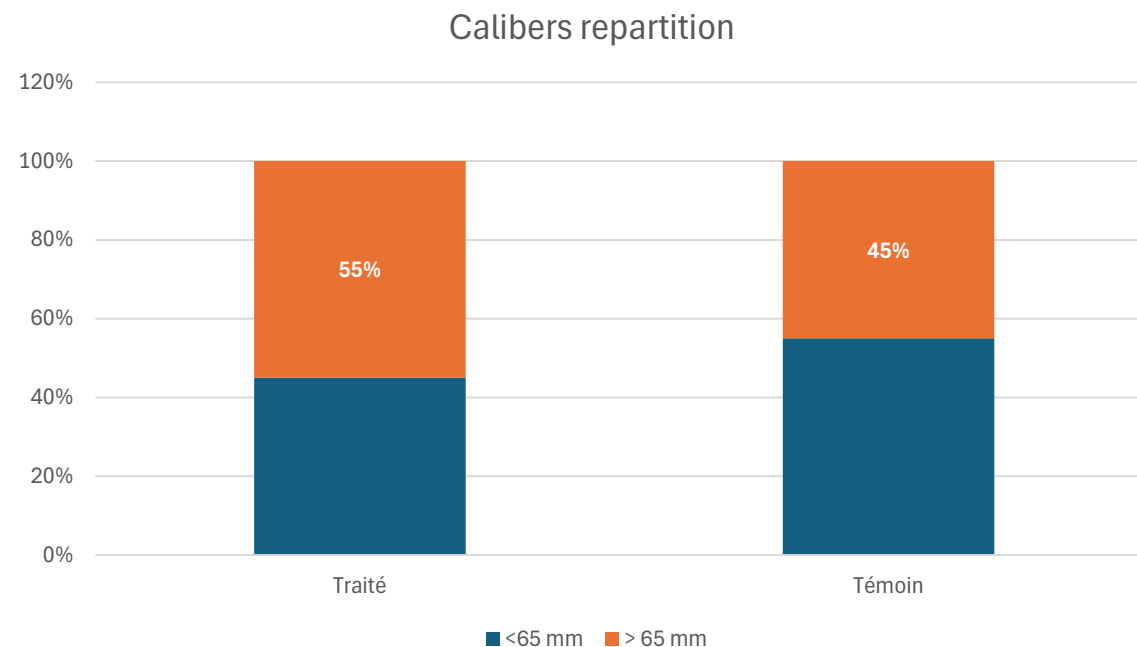
- 20 April 2021
- 30 April 2021
- 10 May 2021





# 4-Terra Pear Conference 2024 - Netherlands 2024

- 4-Terra (Fertigation)
  - 14 march 2024 – 4L/Ha
  - 21 march 2024 – 4L/Ha
  - 29 march 2024 – 4L/Ha
  - 5 april 2024 – 4L/Ha
- No effect on yield
- Clear improvement in the distribution of sizes
- Better vigor and N+1 potential clearly noted by the producer



# + 4-Good – Potato

## Results

### Gaakeer 2022 - Netherlands

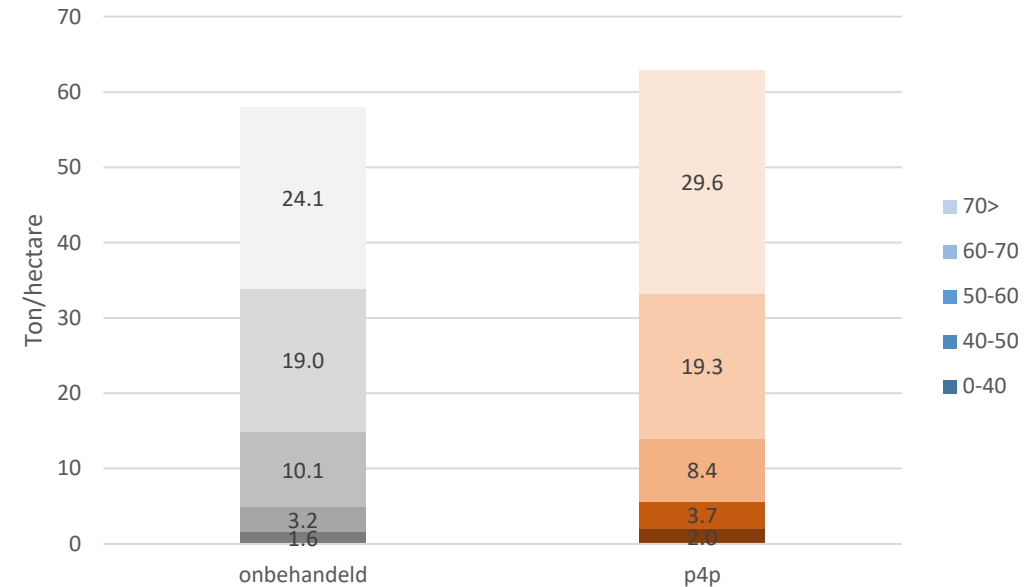
#### Trial Setup

- Aim: PUE – in comfort situation
- Location: Gaakeer
- Treated Area: 1 Ha
- Planting date April 2022
- Harvet date October 2022
- 58 T/Ha for untreated Vs 63 T/Ha for P4P

#### Control: Farmer Practice (FP)

Treated: FP + 3 applications x 2 L/Ha of 4-Good

Yield repartition per caliber



**8.6% increase in yield in similar comfort P situation**  
**Increase is in desired calibers**



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## P4P Mode of Action



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# 4-Vita/Good

Foliar applied extract



# A revolutionary approach

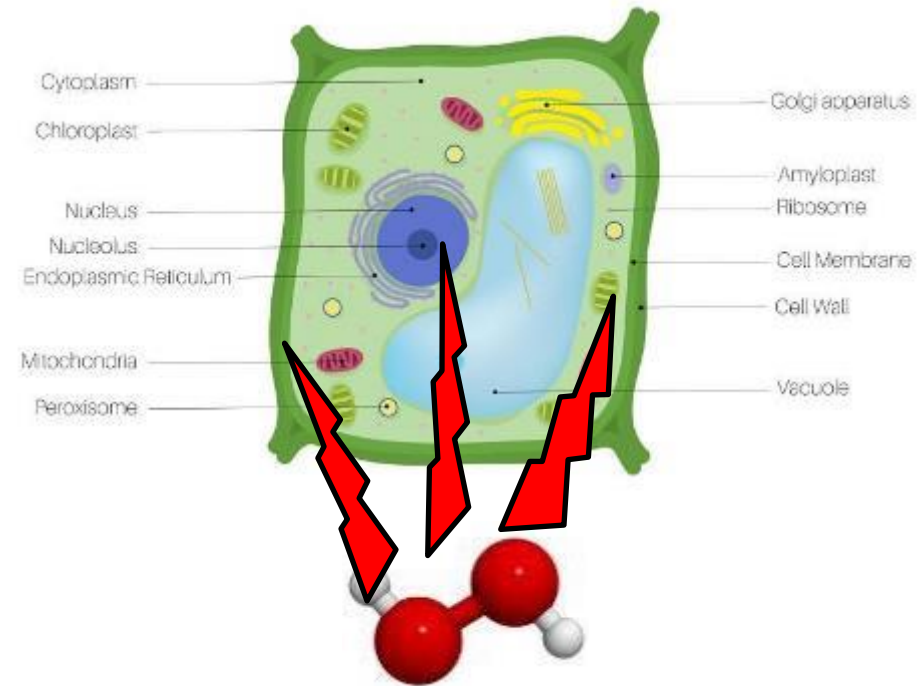
*Prevent rather than react...*

- **Traditional Biostimulants** like Seaweed, Amino Acids, Glycine Betaine, etc... work on enhancing physiological **reactions of plants Vs stress**
  - In other words – **Stress is almost a requirement** to see any results.
- But what if we maintained the physiological chain reaction provoked by stress under control?

# Oxidative Phenomena: a natural occurring phenomena on all living organisms

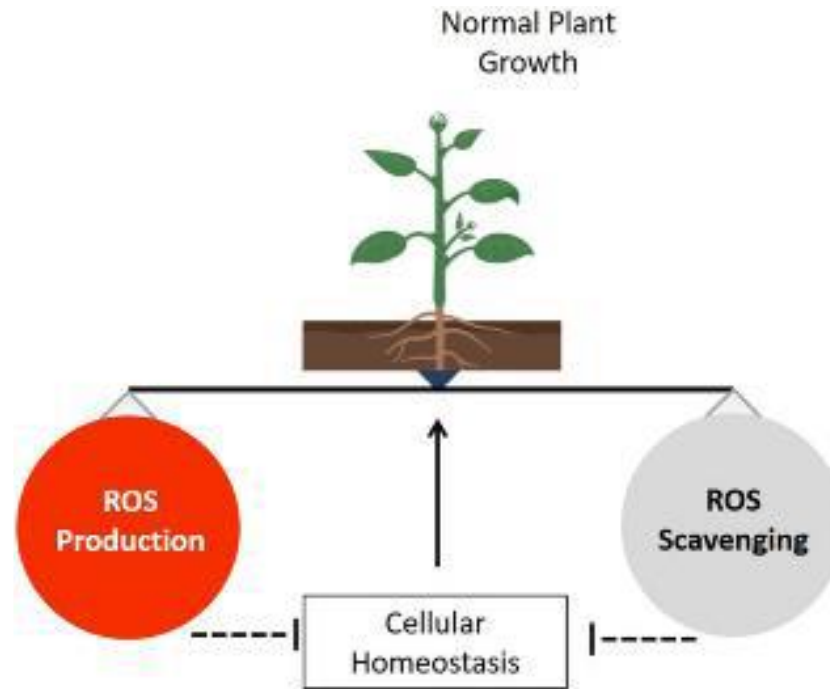
Any plant is exposed continuously to oxidative degradation – regardless of causes

- All living cells get degraded throughout time, simply by exposure to external factors such as Oxygen, Light, Wind, or natural internal succession of phenological stages such as Senescence, even in normal conditions...
- In any stressful condition (and not just abiotic one), the oxidation is greatly increased
- This type of reaction is therefore ever going on in plants with fluctuating intensity resulting in production of **ROS** (Reactive Oxygen Species) molecules like peroxides, superoxide,...,
- This causes degradation of cells and many of their components (proteins, lipids, DNA...)
- This greatly disrupts vital plant functions such as healthy nutrition and performance resulting in biomass, yield and quality decrease!



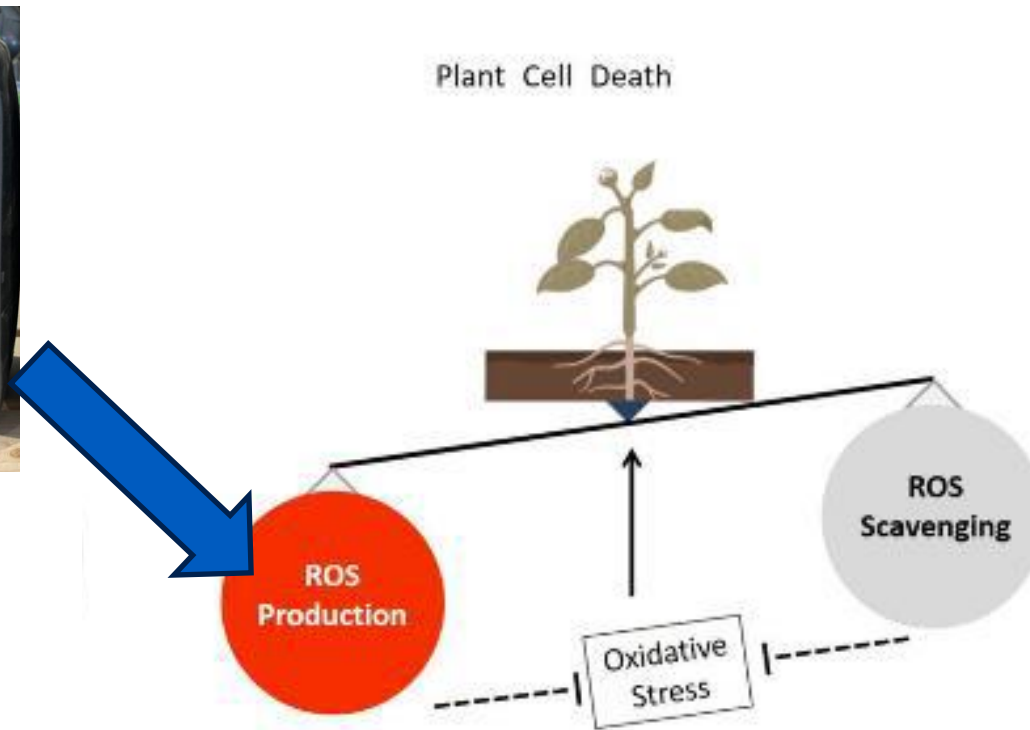
# Oxidative phenomena becomes Oxidative stress

When ROS production exceeds the ROS-Scavenging activity in the plant



# Oxidative phenomena becomes Oxidative stress

P4P 4-Good can block the ROS production at the source – Preventive approach





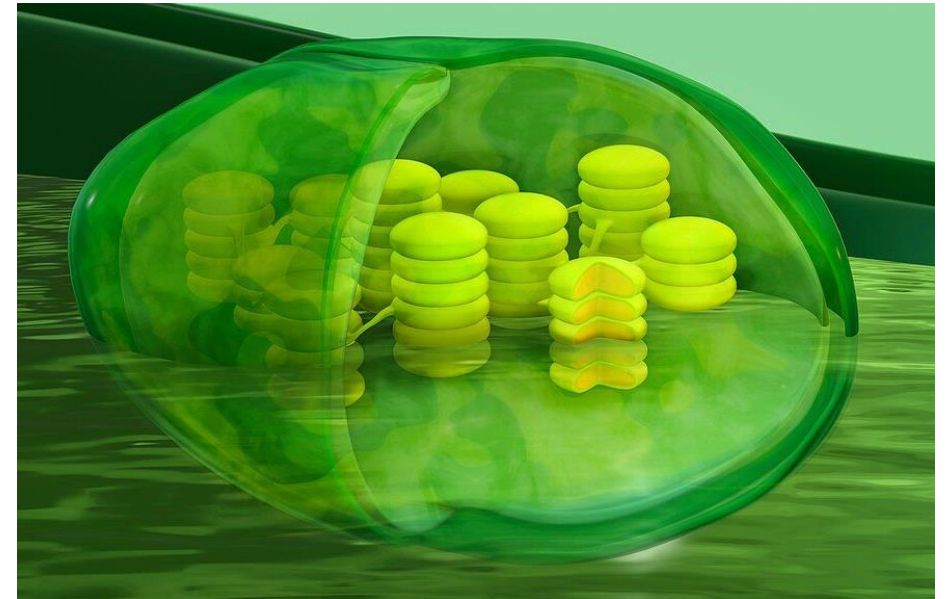
# Less ROS, ok, but how?

## 1) The Chloroplast – Where everything is happening!

4-Vita/Good will alter the Fatty Acids configuration of the Chloroplast membrane making them tougher and more adapted to drought, light, heat and other stress factors!

Compounds	Sum Log FC	
	UTC, Drought	4-Vita, Drought
PG	11.30	36.33

PG lipid (phosphatidylglycerol) stabilizes the system in stress conditions!



# 4-Terra

Fertigation applied extracts

## 4-Terra is increasing PUE and improving P availability

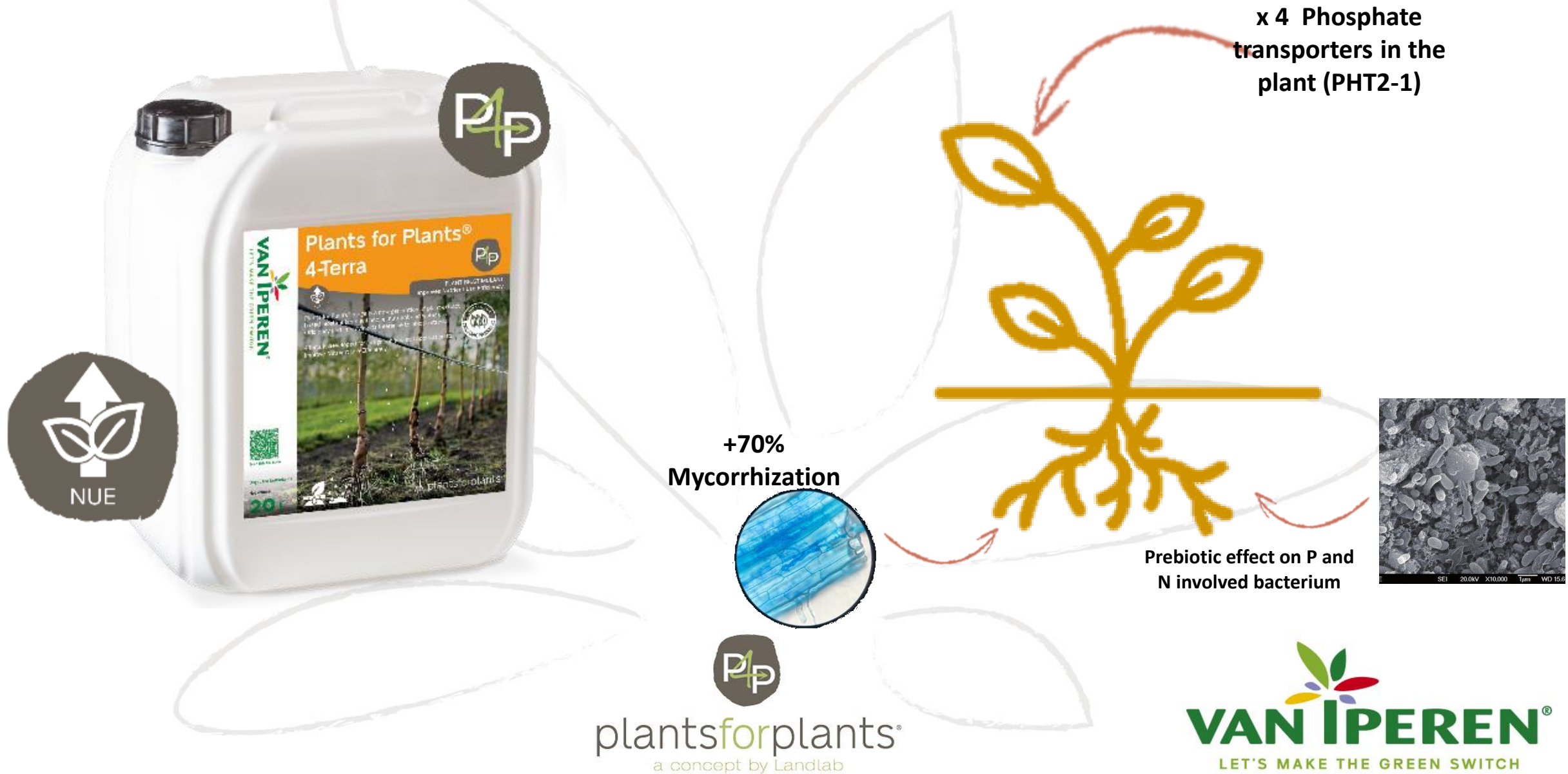
How is it working?

Direct effect on  
plant  
(biostimulant)

Effect on soil  
microbioma



# 4-Terra – Mode of Action summarized





# Plants for Plants<sup>®</sup> 4-Terra

## Advantages – Benefits - Application

- Plant-based Biostimulant targeting NUE ensuring higher yield and crop quality
- Developed for cash crops in comfort and stress conditions
- Applied at early stage and vegetative stage
- Improved crop establishment and nutrient uptake
- Developed for fertigated crops (vegetables, fruit trees, vineyard and soft fruits )



# Plants for Plants® 4-Terra



## MOA – How it works ?

Improved phosphate assimilation

- Improved Phosphate mobility and assimilation due to chloroplastic orthophosphate PHT2;1 gene activation, a Phosphate transporter

Increased microbial activity in the soil as well as nutrient availability

- Increase of microbial population allowing P solubilization in soil ( Microbioma effect)

