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Lean Cultivation:

Driving impact & profits at scale with plant-level data, AI and automation



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What is Lean?

What happened in 50 years? **Lean Continuous Improvement**



Poorly planned

- Job specialization
- Tools on hand

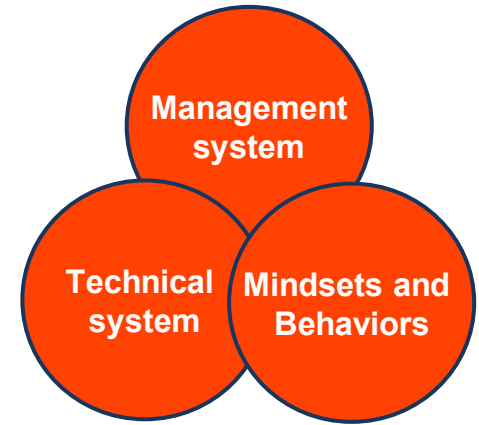


Well planned and executed

- Coordination and communication
- Technological improvements

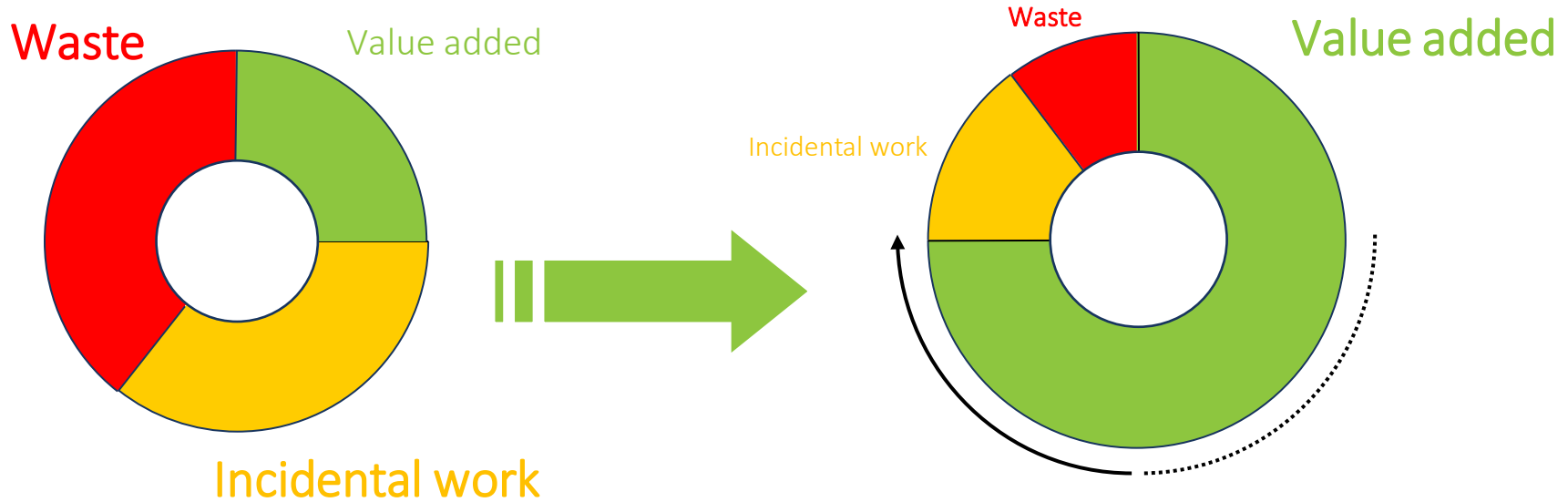
What is Lean?

Lean Continuous Improvement has 3 core objectives:



What is Lean?

We aim to continually focus on maximizing value-added tasks while optimizing waste and incidental time



From cars to plants

Lean is a tool for surviving and thriving in competitive, tough markets

Toyota - mass production efficiency in a low volume, high diversity environment

Toyota
founded

1933 WWII 1946 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000

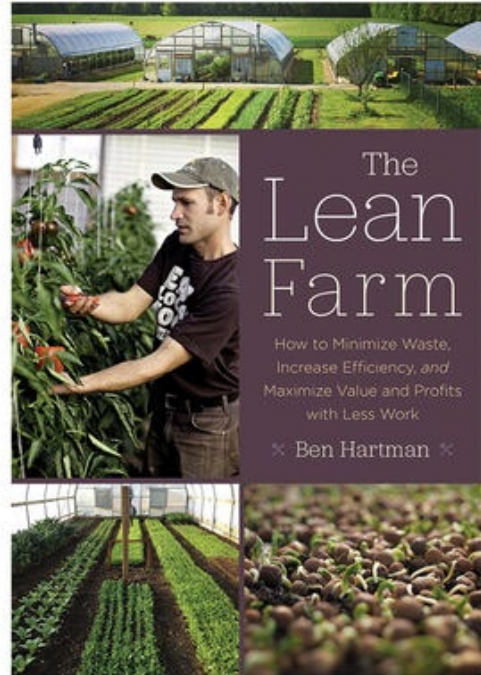


"Catch up with American
automobile industry in 3 years"

Lean Manufacturing

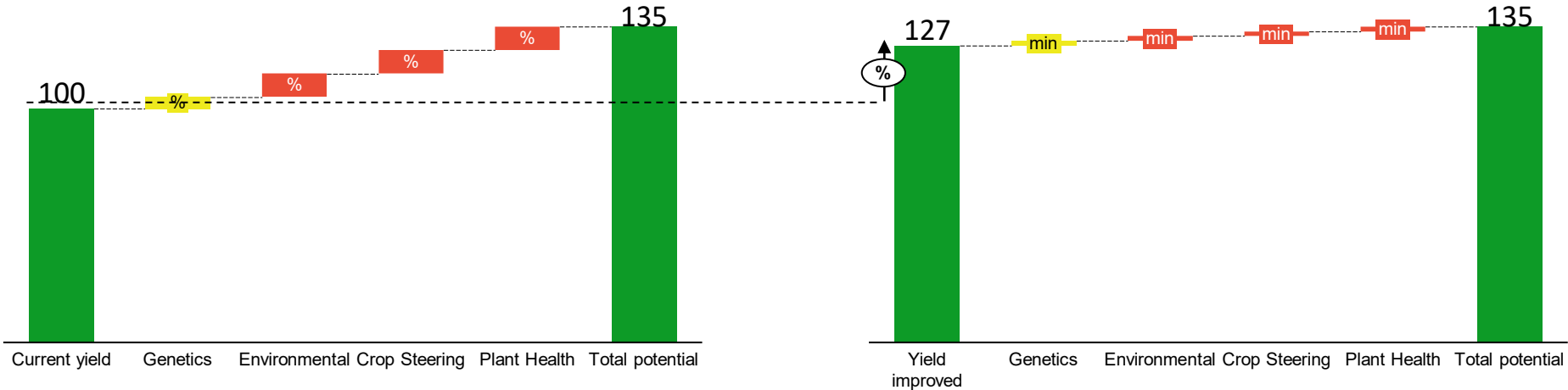
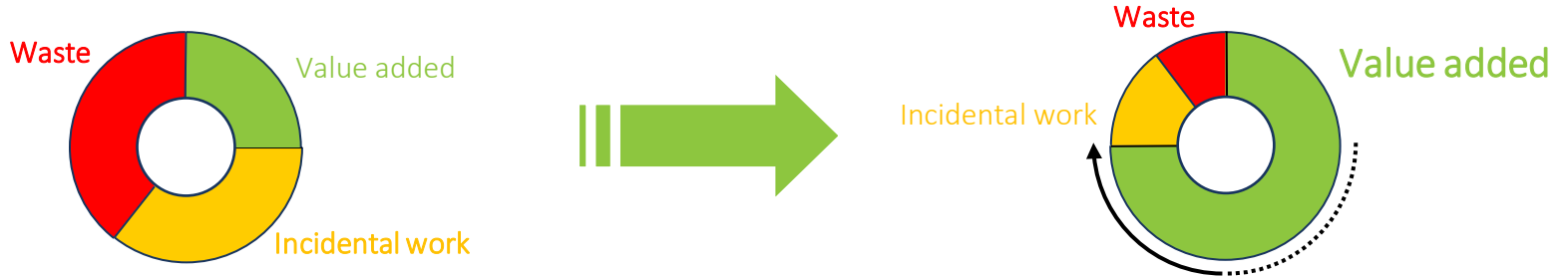


Taiichi Ohno



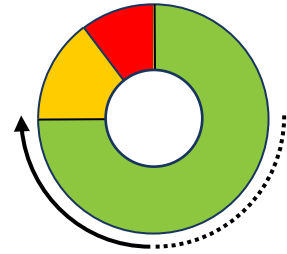
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High variability represents the opportunity to minimize crop losses



Continuous Improvement and \$Profitability

1. **Variability (g/ft², quality) = Opportunity**
2. **Data = Understanding where opportunities lie**
3. **AI + Automation = Precision and Data at Scale**
4. Simple **data-driven insights** across org.



Smart tech beats yield of China's strawberry farmers

- AI Tech team 196% + strawberries than traditional growers.
- +75% ROI gain



Lean Cultivation™ + Plant Empowerment

With the right technology and quality data, we can monitor plants and people and continuously improve

Data & Process Documentation:

- Photosynthetic efficiency
- Canopy density, Flowers/plant
- Growth rates
- Infection rate-pest, sensitivity
- Leaf temperature
- Gas exchange (CO₂-O₂)

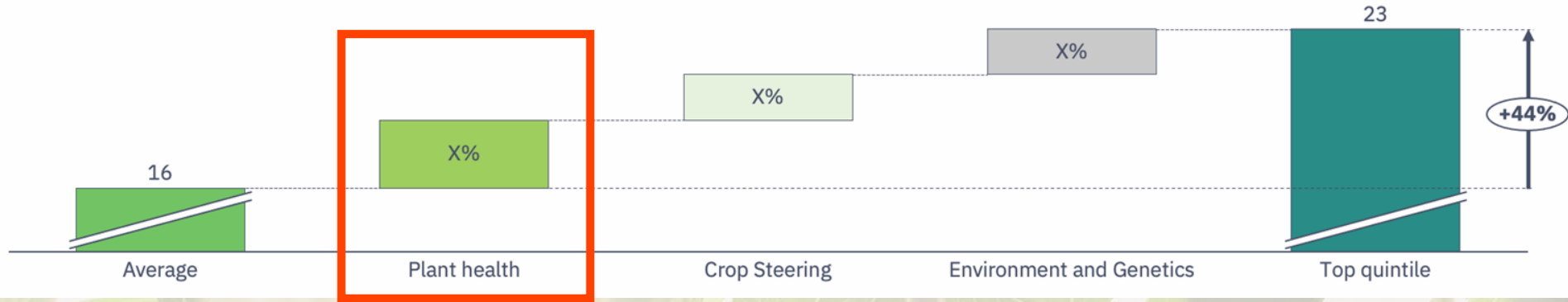
KPIs:

- Dry flower/ft² (volume); and % of Flower-A (avg \$price)
- #issues, % infected plants
- THC %
- Task hours, quality, timeliness
- Cost/plant

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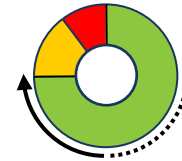
We start by quantifying opportunities – deep dive, analytics with Metrc, waste, genetics, inputs, labor data

Levers of yield and quality improvement opportunities (avg. vs top quintile g / sq.ft.)



Lean Cultivation Case Study

IPM Smart Workflow – Automate-enhance scouting, upskill team, improve SOPs, reduce reaction time & prevent losses



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Pest Report Summary

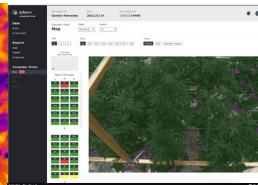
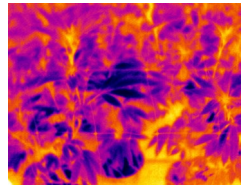
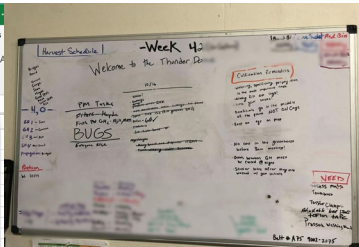
Date: 8/19/15 Week: 34

Greenhouse 1

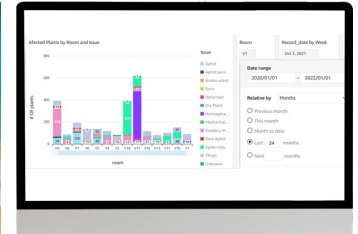
Pest	Pop. Level	Zones	Notes
Spidermites	Low	1,4,8,15, along wall	
Whitefly	Low	1,2,4,6,7,8,9,11,12,13	
Whitefly	Medium/High	15, along walls of eggs present	
Aphid	Low	7	
Garden Flea	Low	7,13	
Garden Flea	High	15, along wall	
Caterpillar	Low	5,7	

Notes:

1 A few small hotspots of Spidermites popped up in the house over the past week, but the populations are still very low; a small aphid hotspot was also found on the tall plants on bench 7. The population of whitefly adults has decreased since last week but



- ✓ automate
- ✓ quantitative
- ✓ visibility
- ✓ scale
- ✓ digital twin



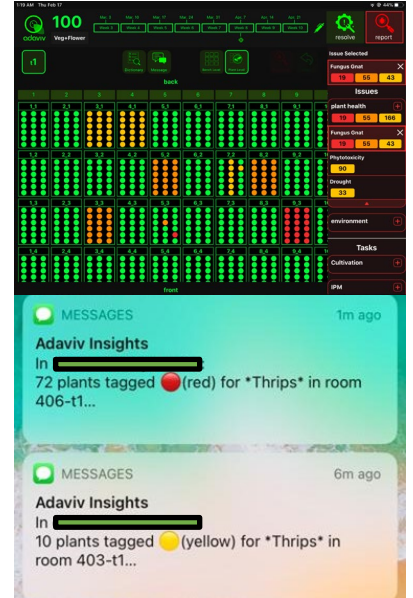
- ✓ identify waste
- ✓ rapid response, horizontal communication
- ✓ maximize time on value-add
- ✓ strain-level insights - continual improvement
- ✓ operational excellence – plant-quality

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IPM Smart Workflow – Botrytis Case Study:
How fast can we detect, react and minimize the impact?



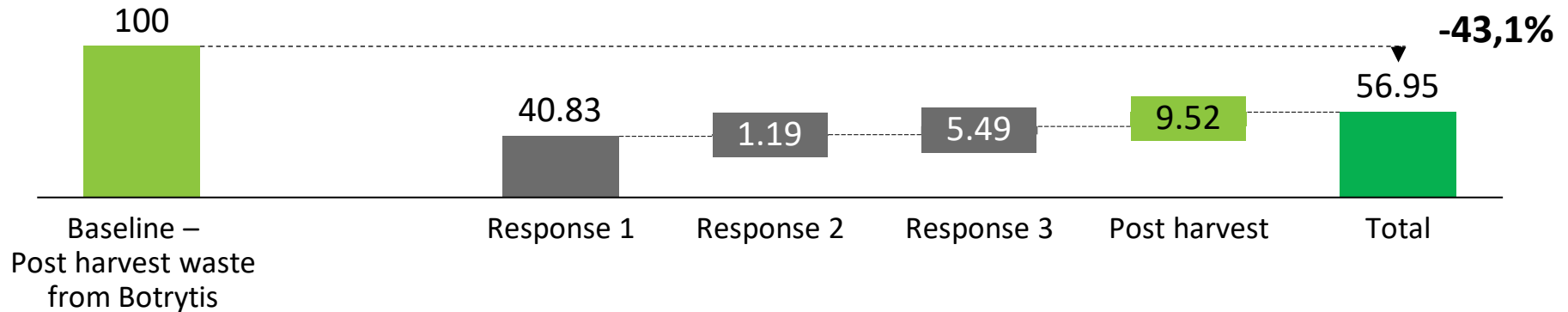
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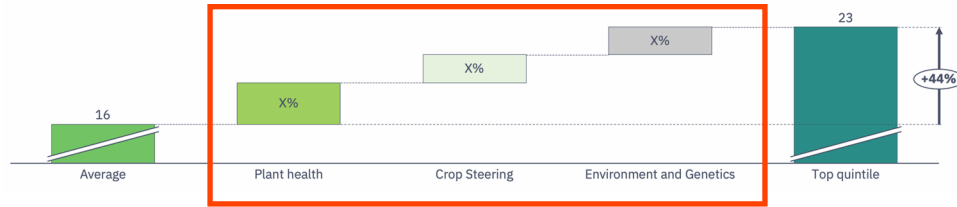
IPM Smart Workflow – Botrytis Case Study: 1 Issue - \$400K/yr gains

Early results: **10x** reduction in post-harvest losses from Botrytis, **45%** reduction in losses % of wet yield lost due to Botrytis, 2021



Lean Cultivation

Quality plant-level data and integration
Uncovers key insights and trends



- **Hotspots/microclimates** – monitor, adapt (fans), facility upgrades
- **Susceptible Strains** (PM, HpLVd) – better planning, selection, phenohunting
- **Treatments** – targeted, timely, min. over-spray
- **Issues (PM) spread FAST** - React, communicate rapidly
- **Future:** Recipe generation, Plant transpiration, Phenotypic expression

Lean Cultivation & AI

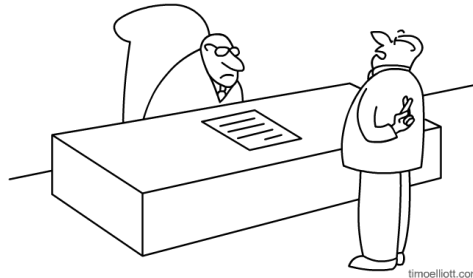
AI is powerful but does not create value on its own or with flip of a switch!

- only 55% of institutions believe automation program has been successful.
- 50% say harder to implement than expected.

“Garbage in, garbage out”



Your analysis is as good as your data.



timelliott.com

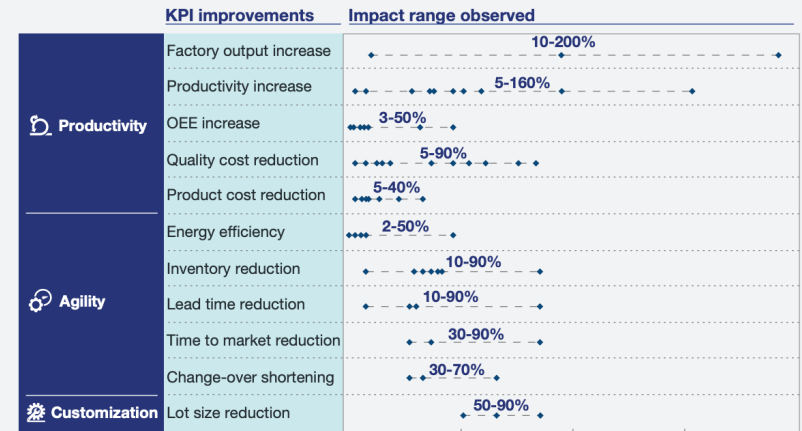
"Yes sir, you can absolutely trust those numbers"

Lean Cultivation & AI

Faster AI and Data-driven adaption creates large gains for front-runners

- **Distinctive insights** (uncover factors to predict performance)
- **Processing time reduced**
- **Increased flexibility and scalability**
- **Improved quality** towards 100% QC from greater traceability
- **Increased savings and productivity** (20%+ labor)

Impact of Fourth Industrial Revolution use cases on select KPIs in lighthouse factories



Source: World Economic Forum and McKinsey & Company lighthouse site analysis

Lean Cultivation™ + Plant Empowerment

~~Man Vs. Machine~~ Man + Machine

Together we can formulate Profitable growing practices that use data-driven approaches to ensure plant balances are optimized.

1. Identify areas of waste.
2. Make a cultivation plan.
3. Implement it consistently.
4. Monitor with data.
5. Analyze, improve, scale.



Lean Cultivation :

Drive impact & profits at scale with plant-level data, AI and automation

Cultivators have to navigate fragmented market:

- **Understand the so-what of pitches** - how moves to actions and continuous gains?
- **Does what claims** - reliable, accurate, scalable, easy, one-time or repeatable, cannabis-specific?
- **What's real value of the data**, KPIs and metrics - if not tied to your operational improvement then why need it? Ready to adopt?



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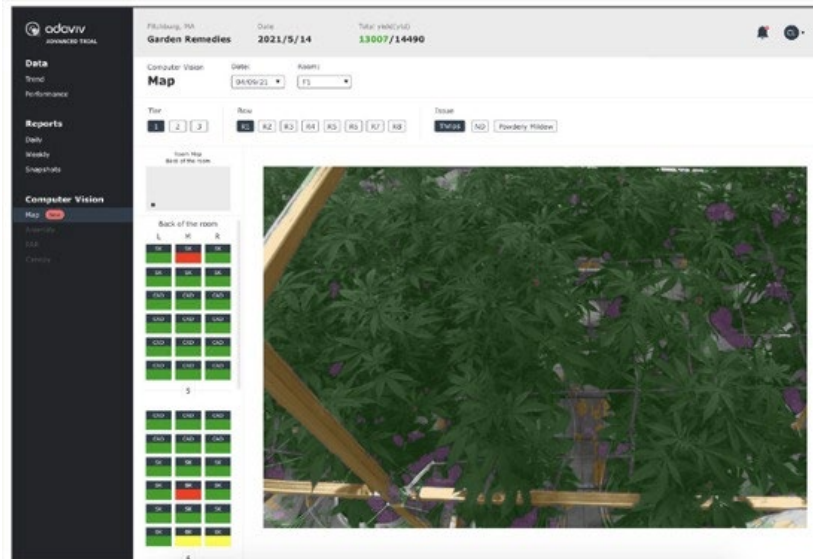
Appendix / Backup

An aerial photograph of a vineyard, showing rows of grapevines and a dirt path. The image is overlaid with a white grid pattern, suggesting a digital or data-driven context. The top right corner of the slide features a green and white geometric design.

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IPM Smart Workflow – PM and HpLVd Case Study
Sensing Technologies, Plant-level Data and Continual Improvement on SOPs can transform an operation, boost yields while saving on costs

Issues detected and tracked:
Viral anomalies (hplvd)
Fusarium
Phytium
Botrytis
Leaf/flower Burns
Chlorosis
Tray leaks
Mechanical damage



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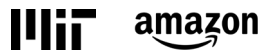
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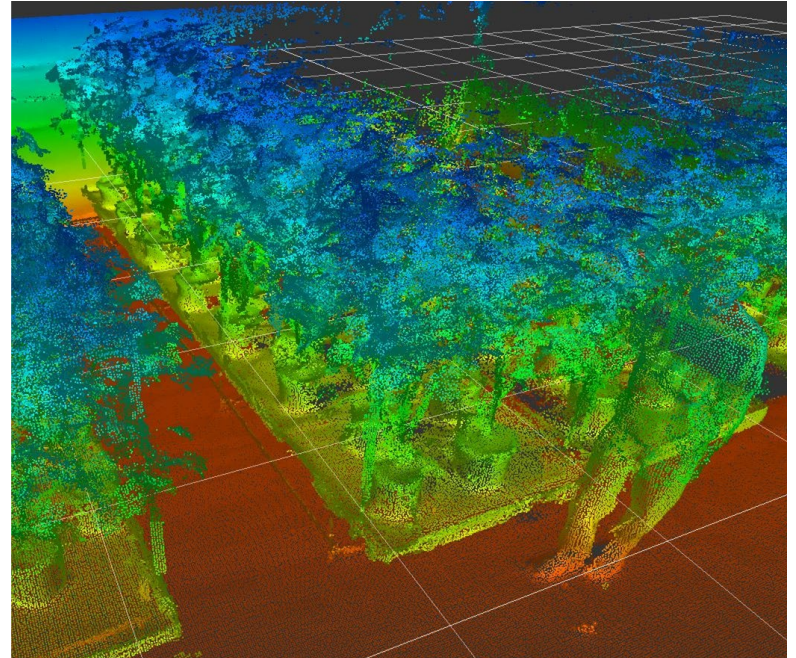
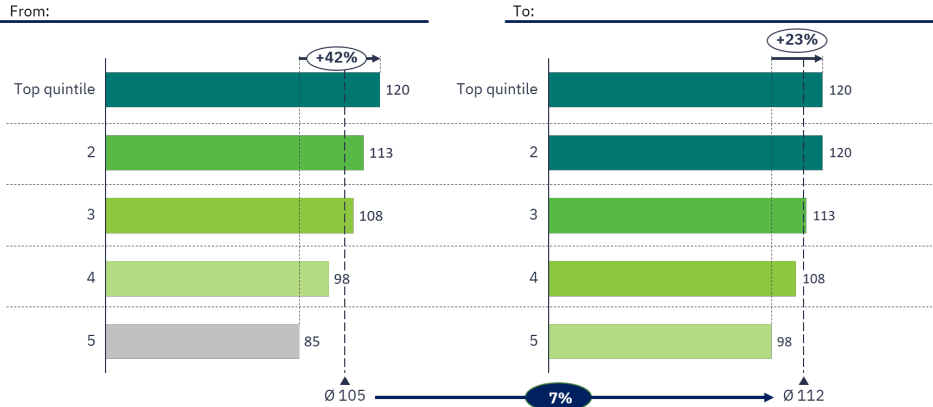


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Average performance grams/plant, improving the yields by minimizing the variability between crop cycles
Example top strain: Chem 4



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