

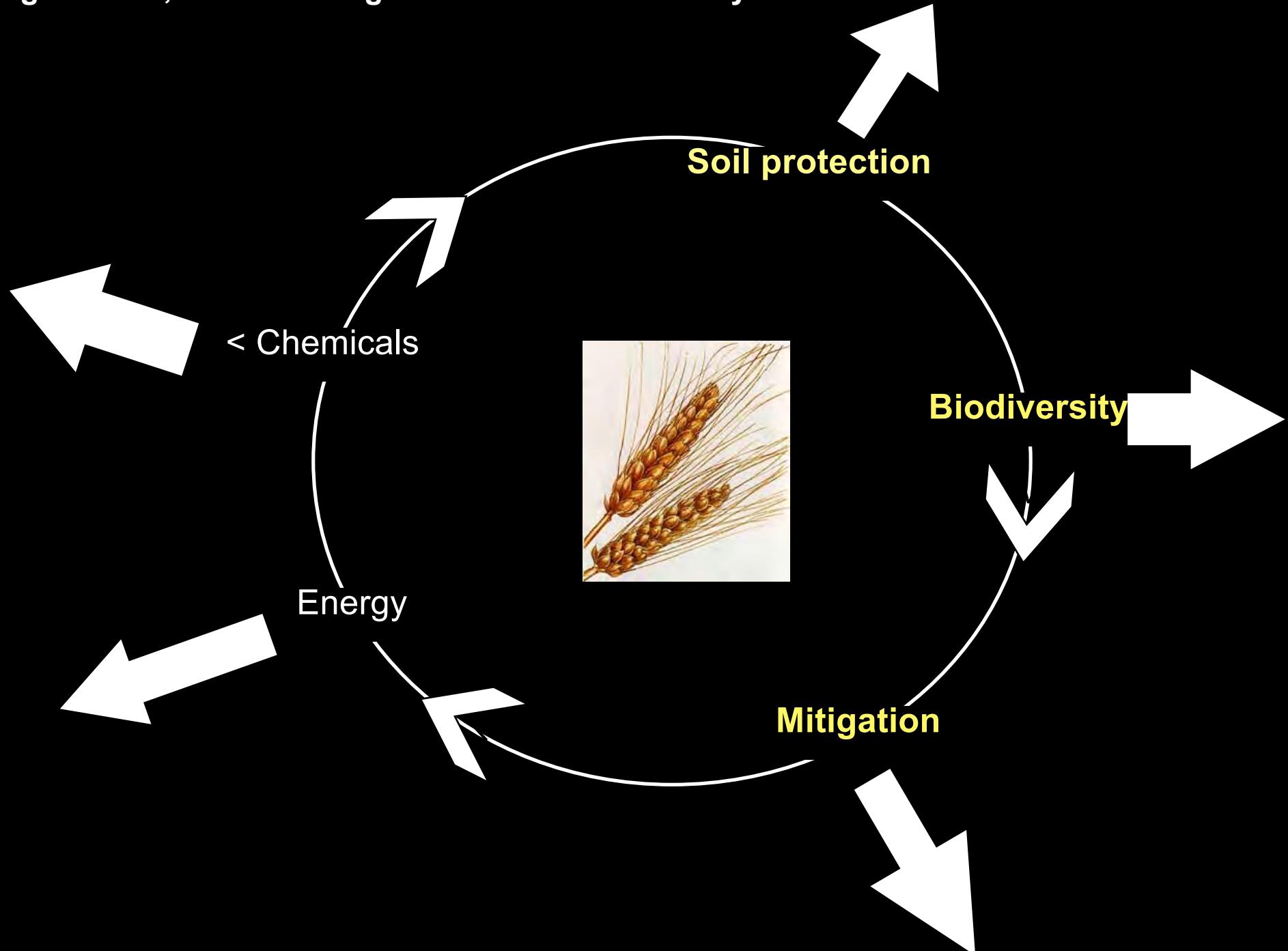


Le interrelazioni tra agricoltura e cambiamenti climatici

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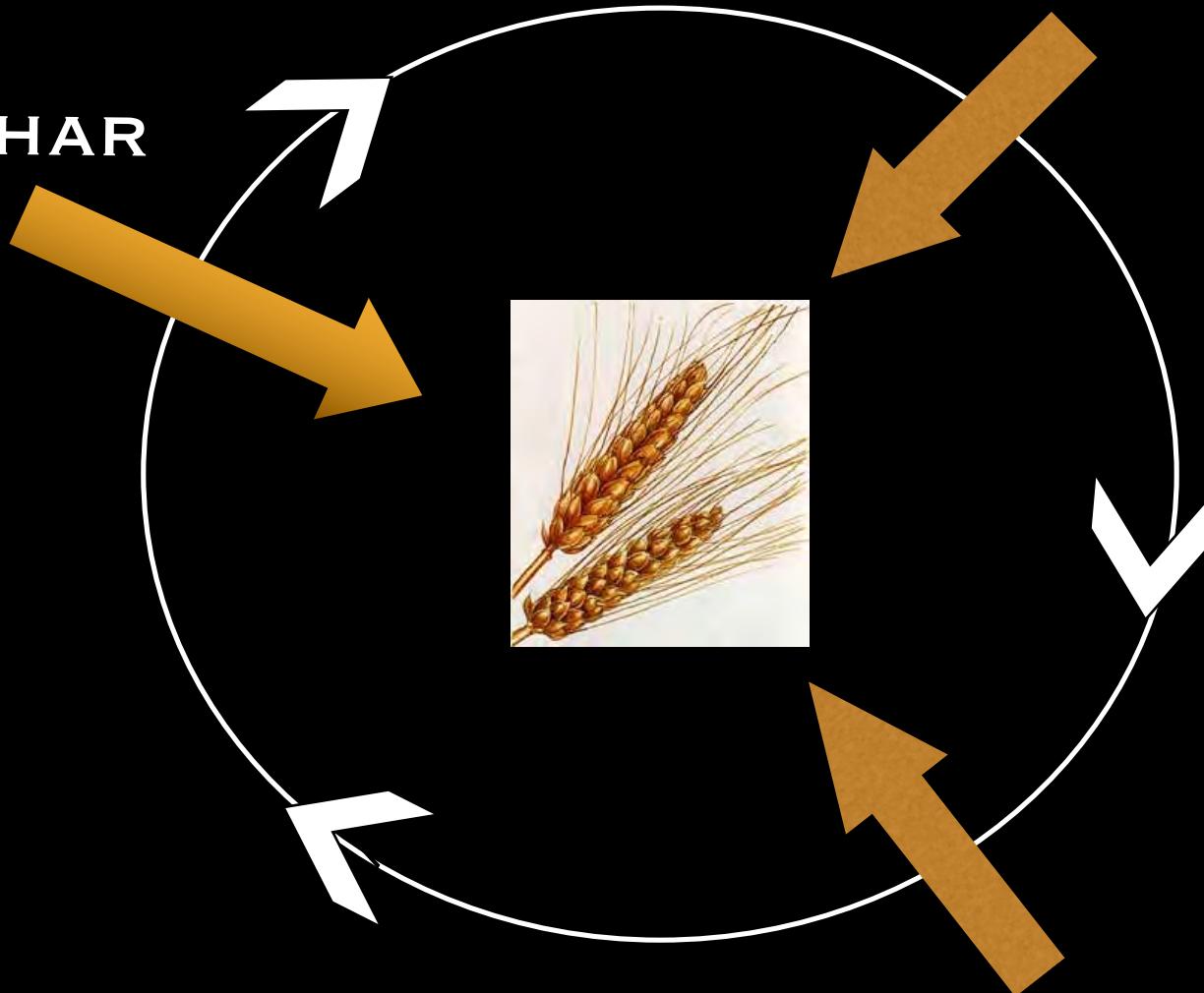
Agriculture, Global Changes and Multifunctionality



**1. NEW PERENNIAL
GRAIN CROPS**

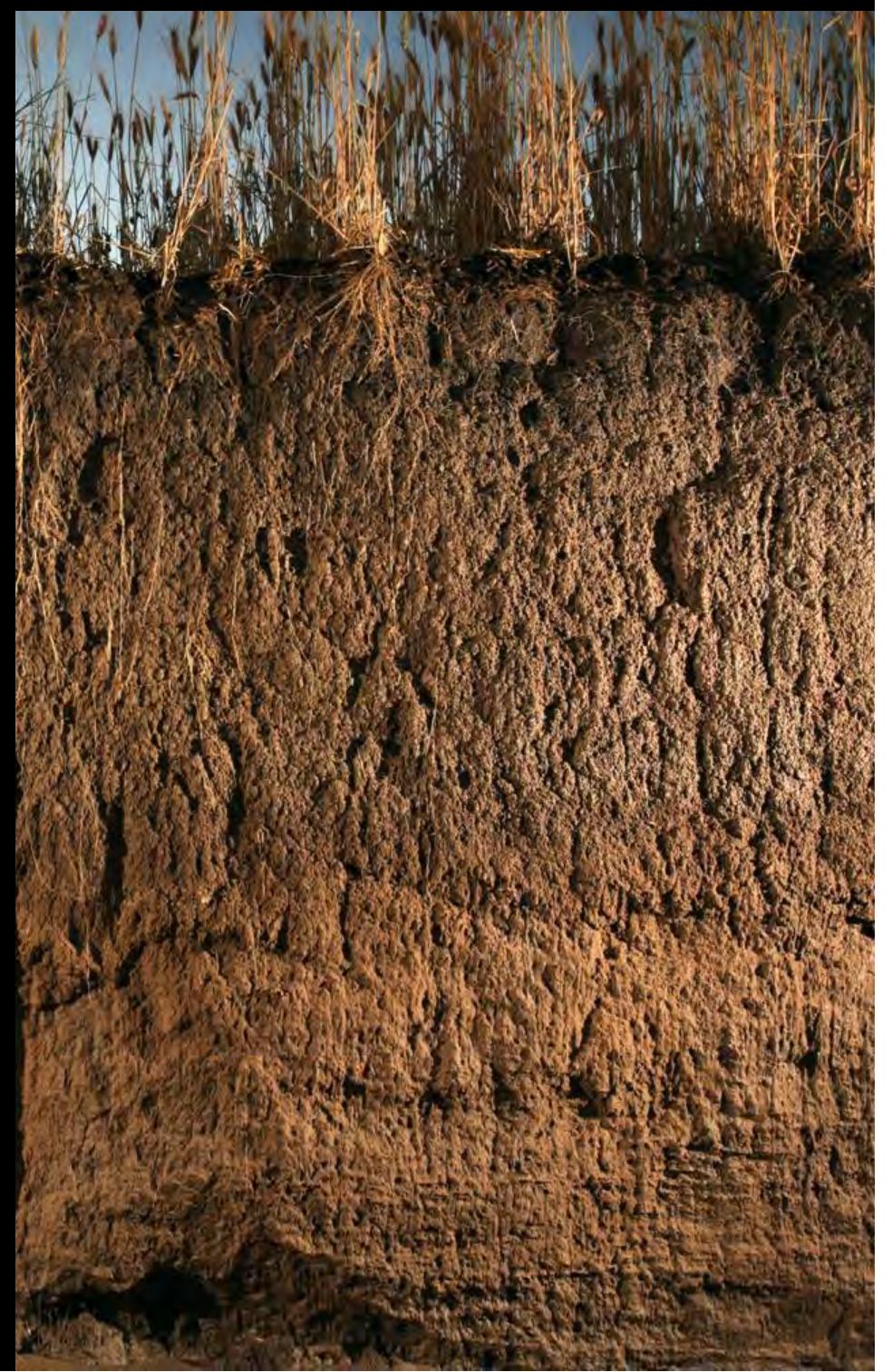
3. BIOCHAR

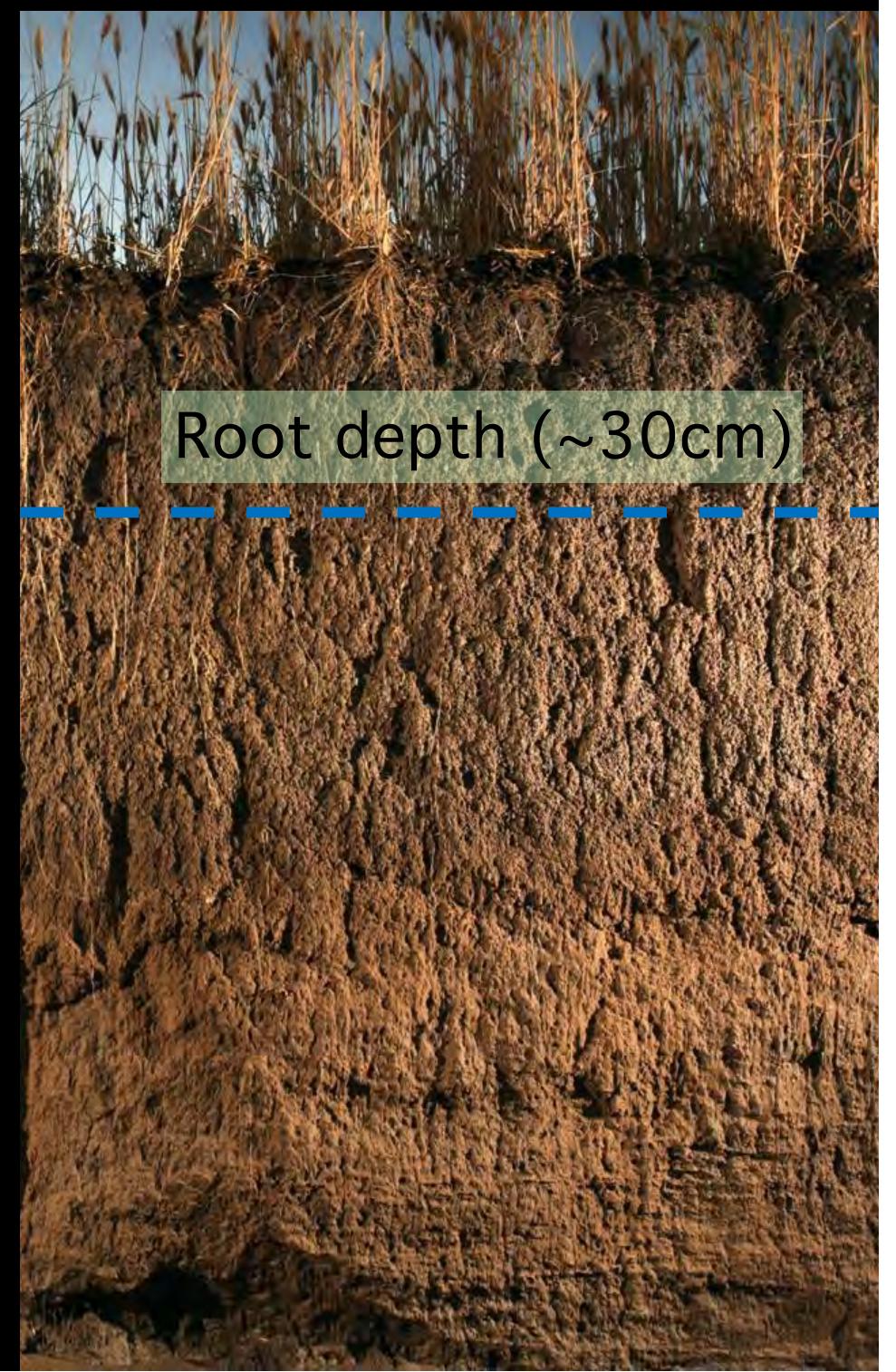
2. ALBEDO MODIFYING CROPS



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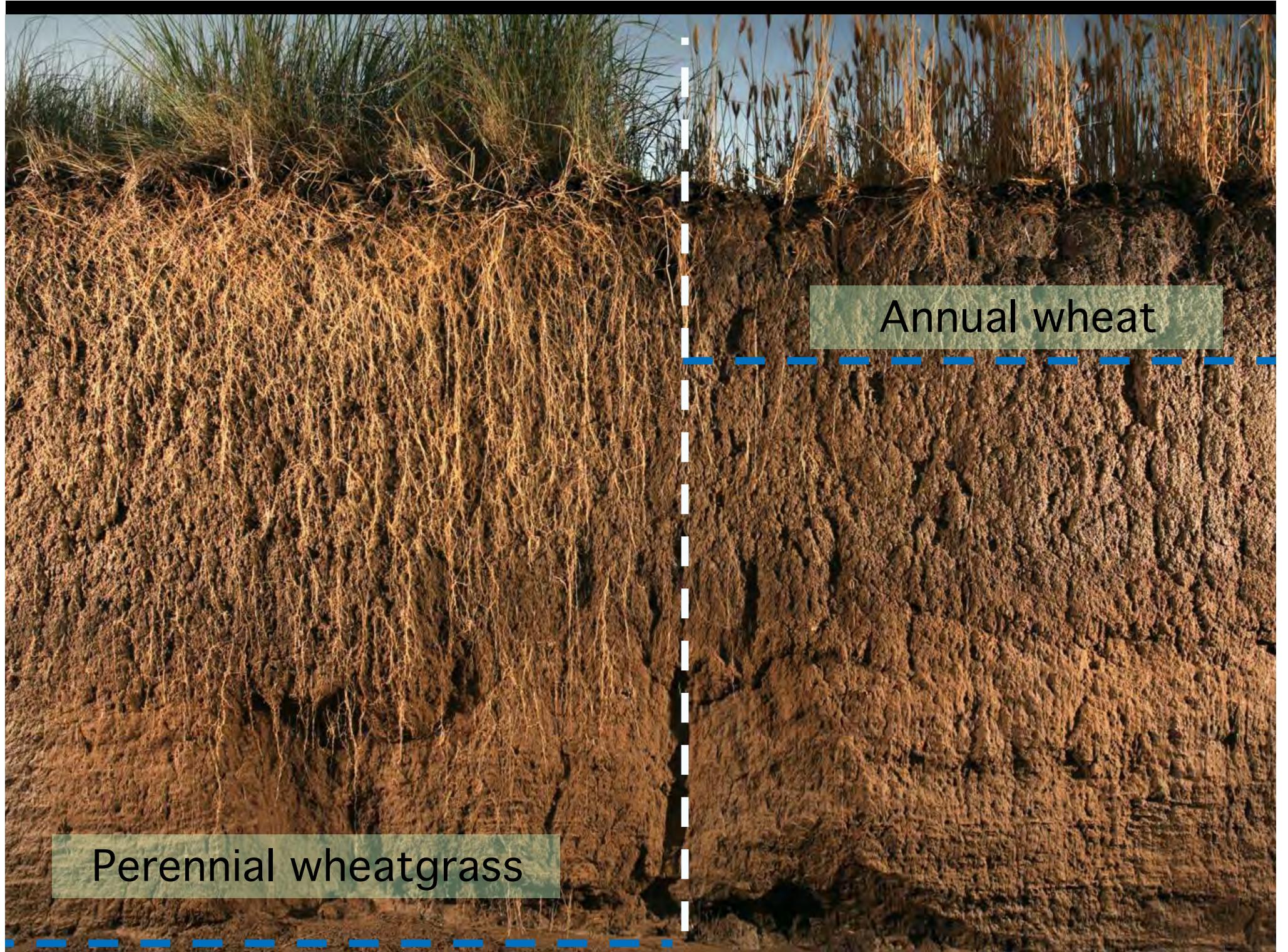








- Water
- Nutrients
- Biodiversity
- Carbon

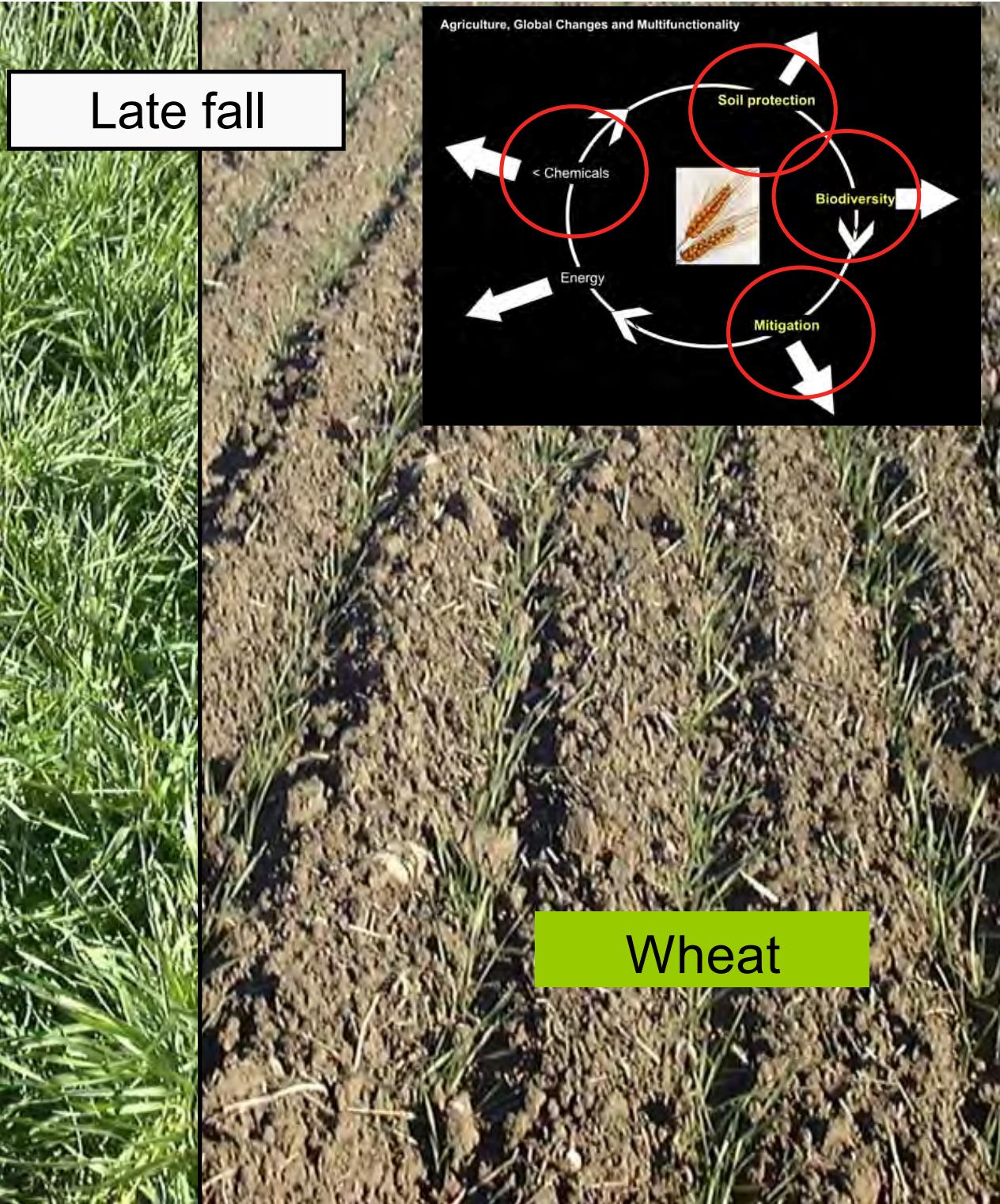


Perennial wheatgrass

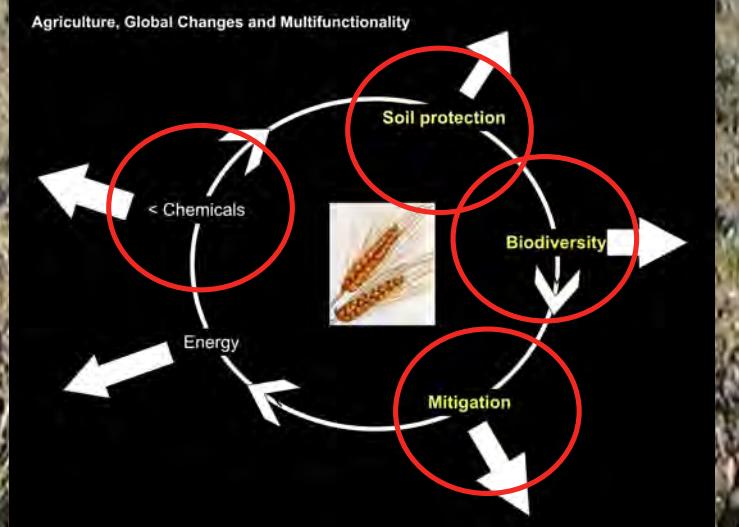
Annual wheat



Perennial
wheatgrass



Wheat



3 mt

Fall

Annual

Perennial

Winter

Spring

Summer





New Perennial Grains

Winter cereals



Sunflower



Sorghum



Rice



Oilseeds



Maize



Legumes



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Zea diploperennis

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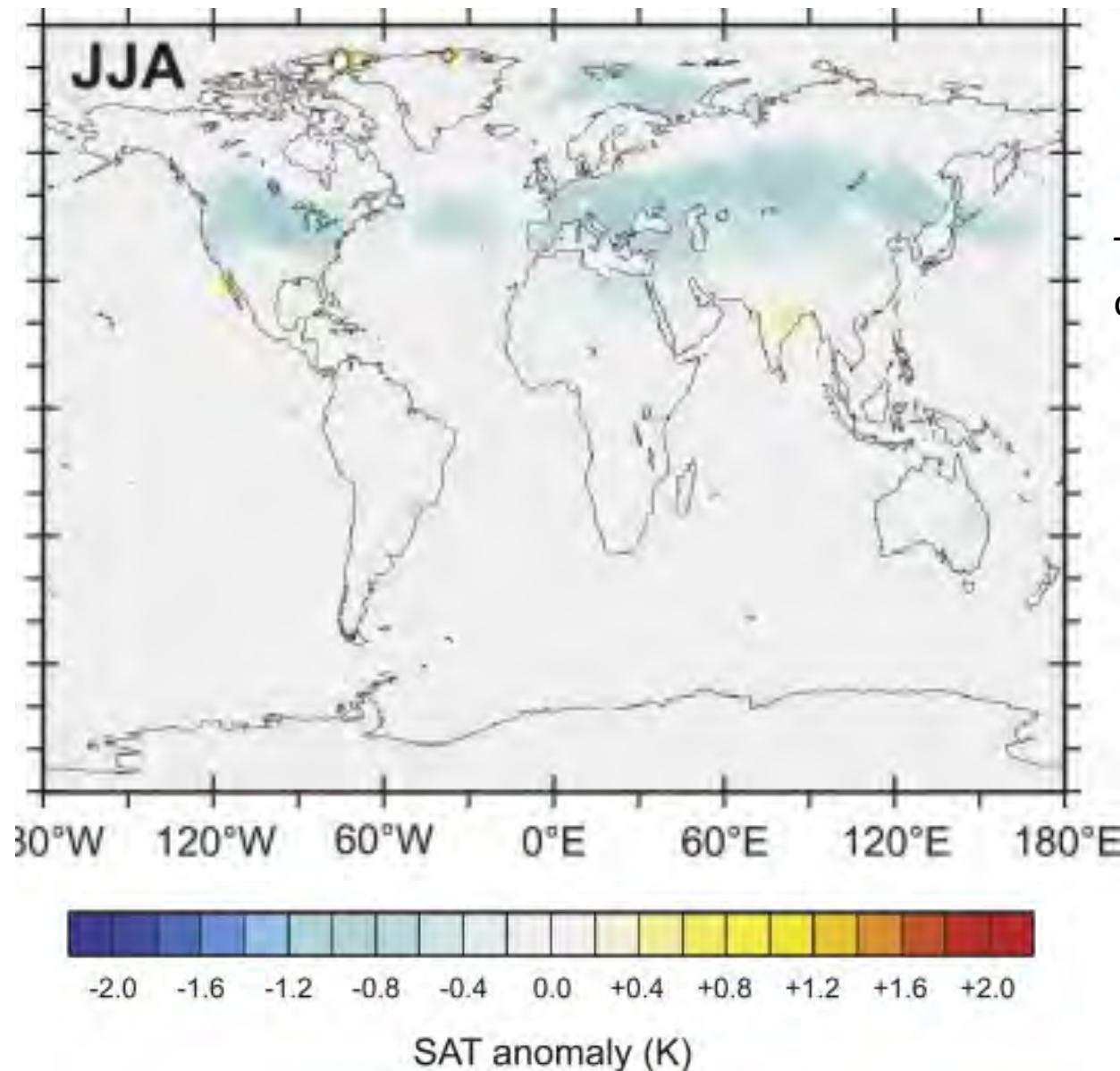
Zea mays





Experimentation in Italy



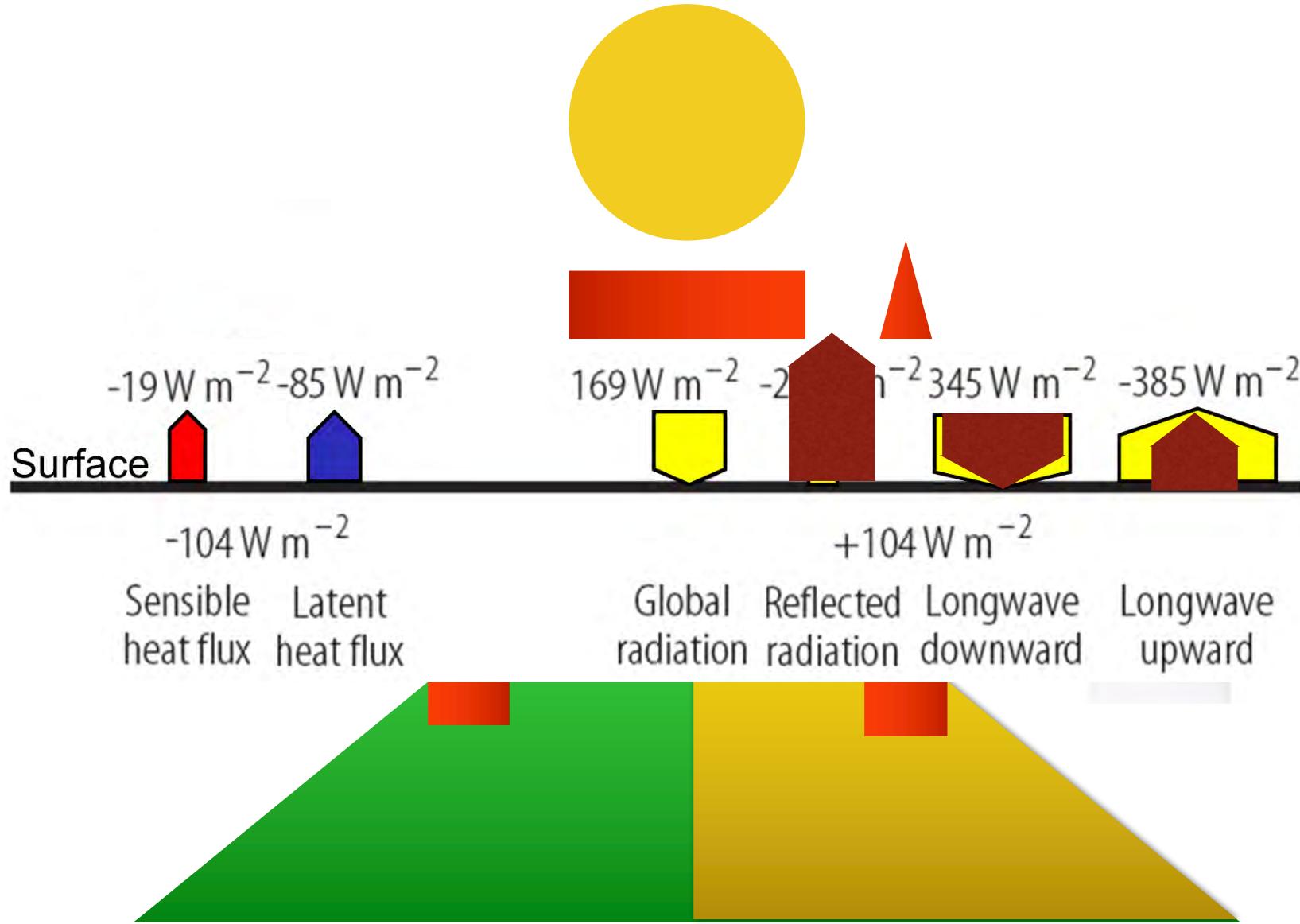


Surface albedo

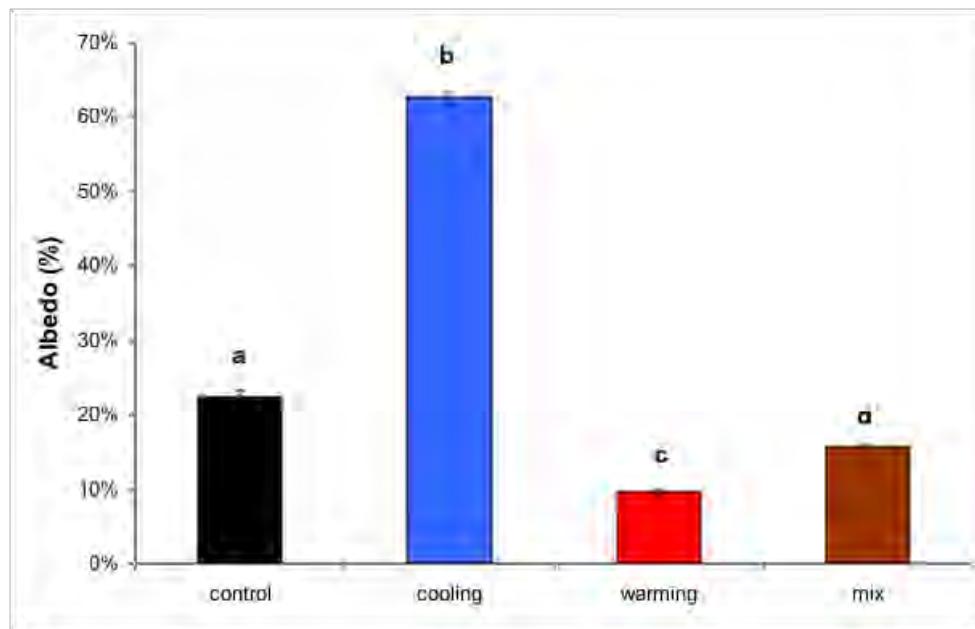
Thermal anomalies attributable to
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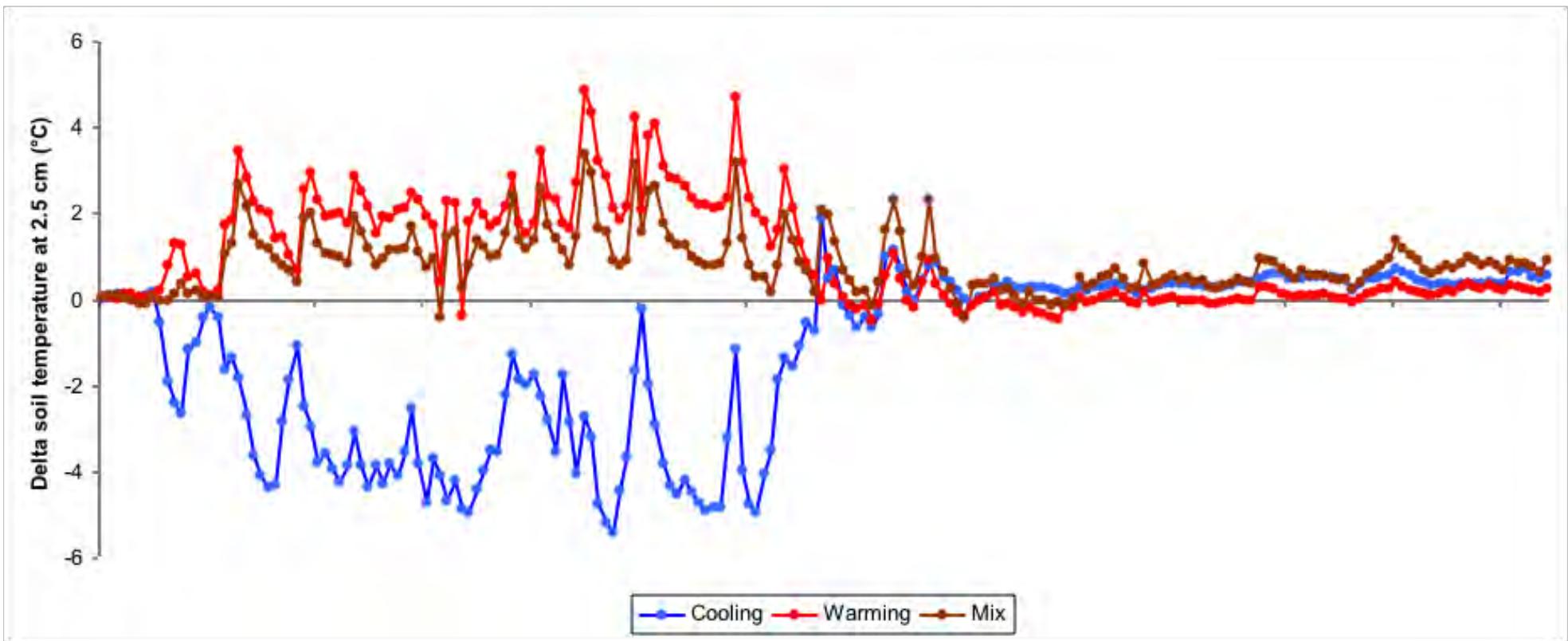
Ridgwell et al., 2009

2. ALBEDO-MODIFYING CROPS



ALBEDO, Reflected radiation



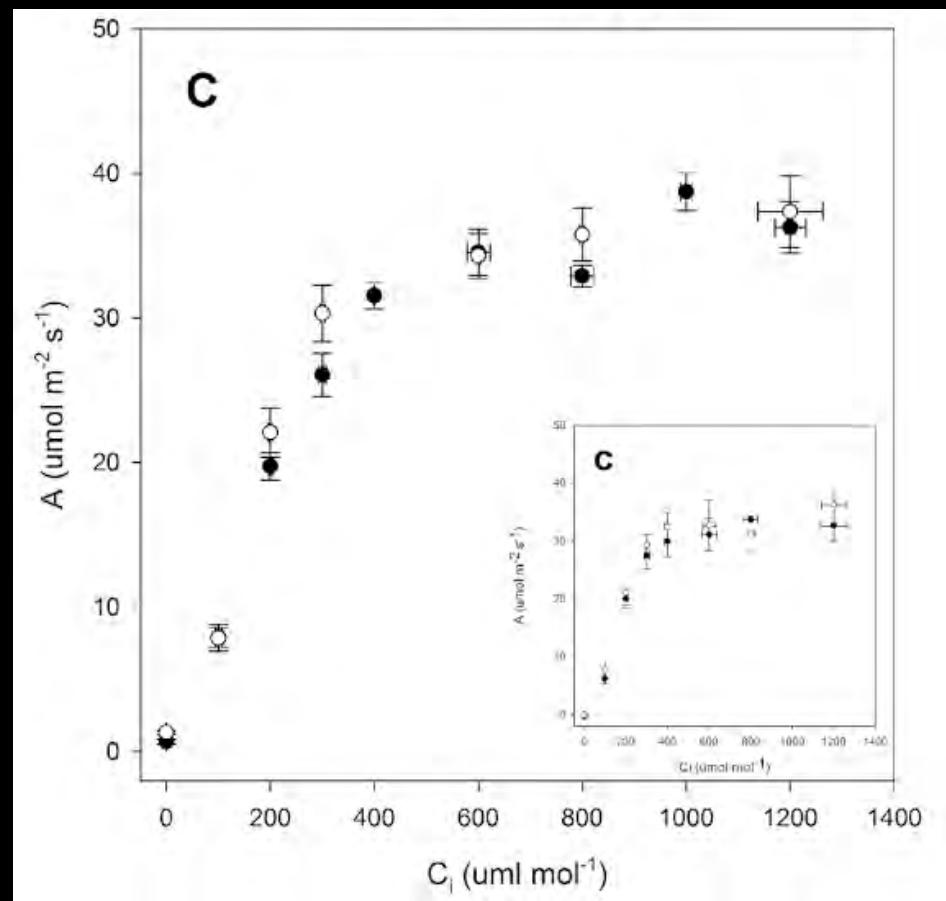
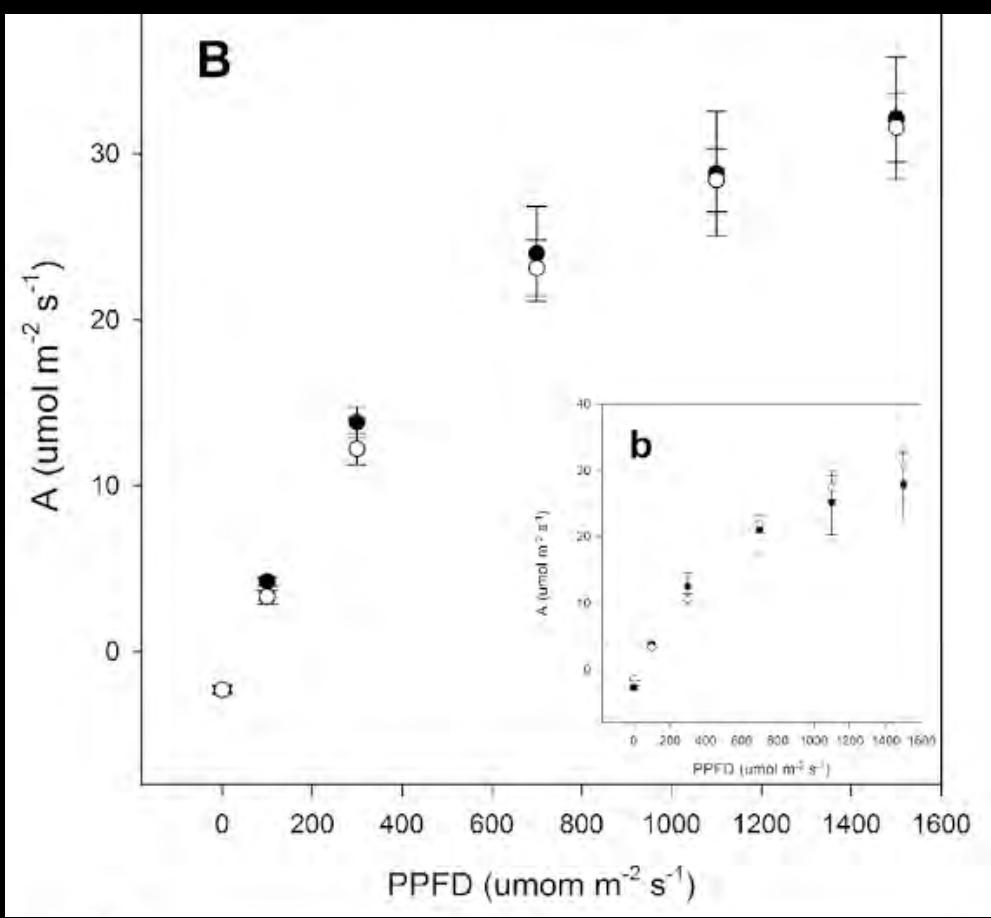


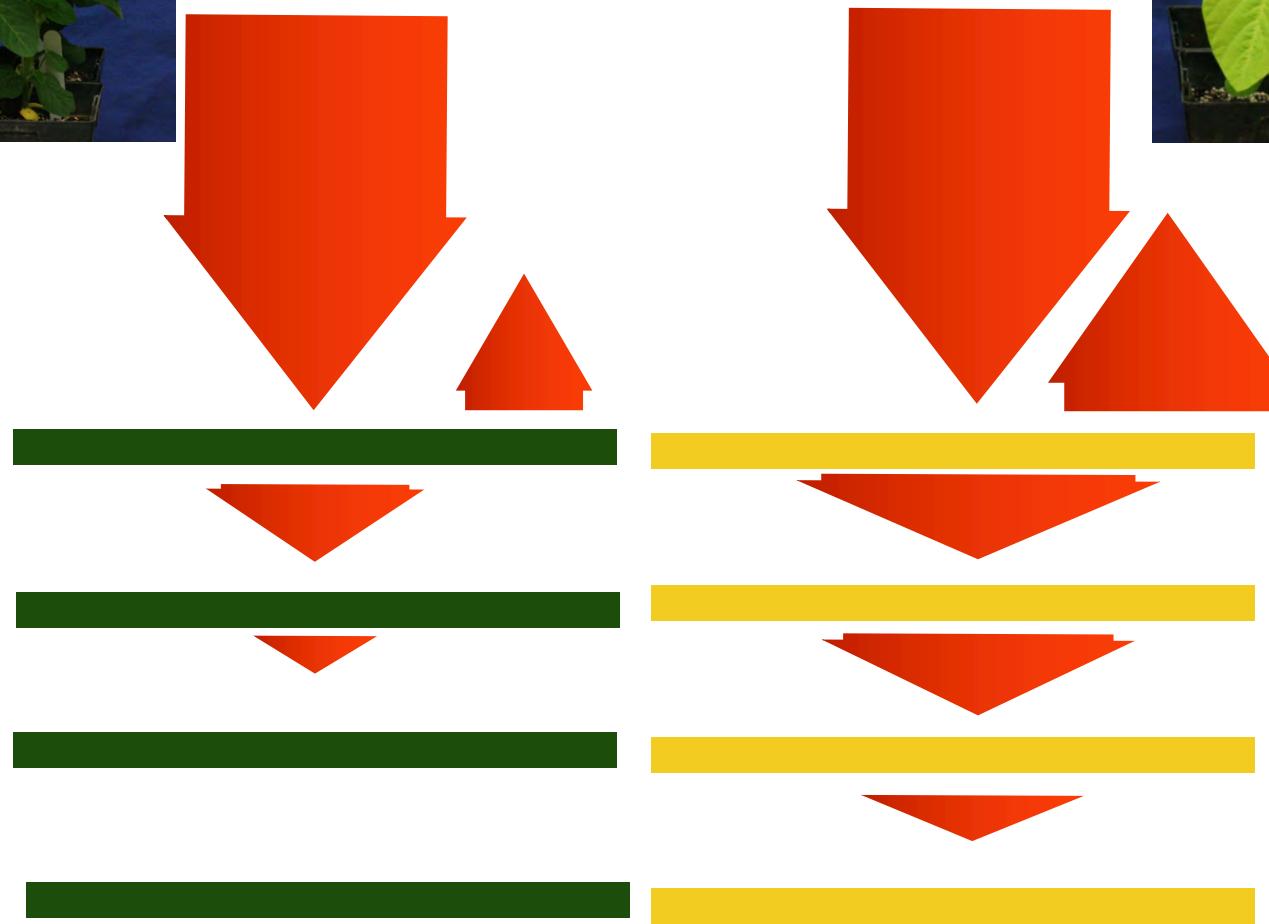
... but can we actually modify the albedo of agricultural land and at what cost for yields?







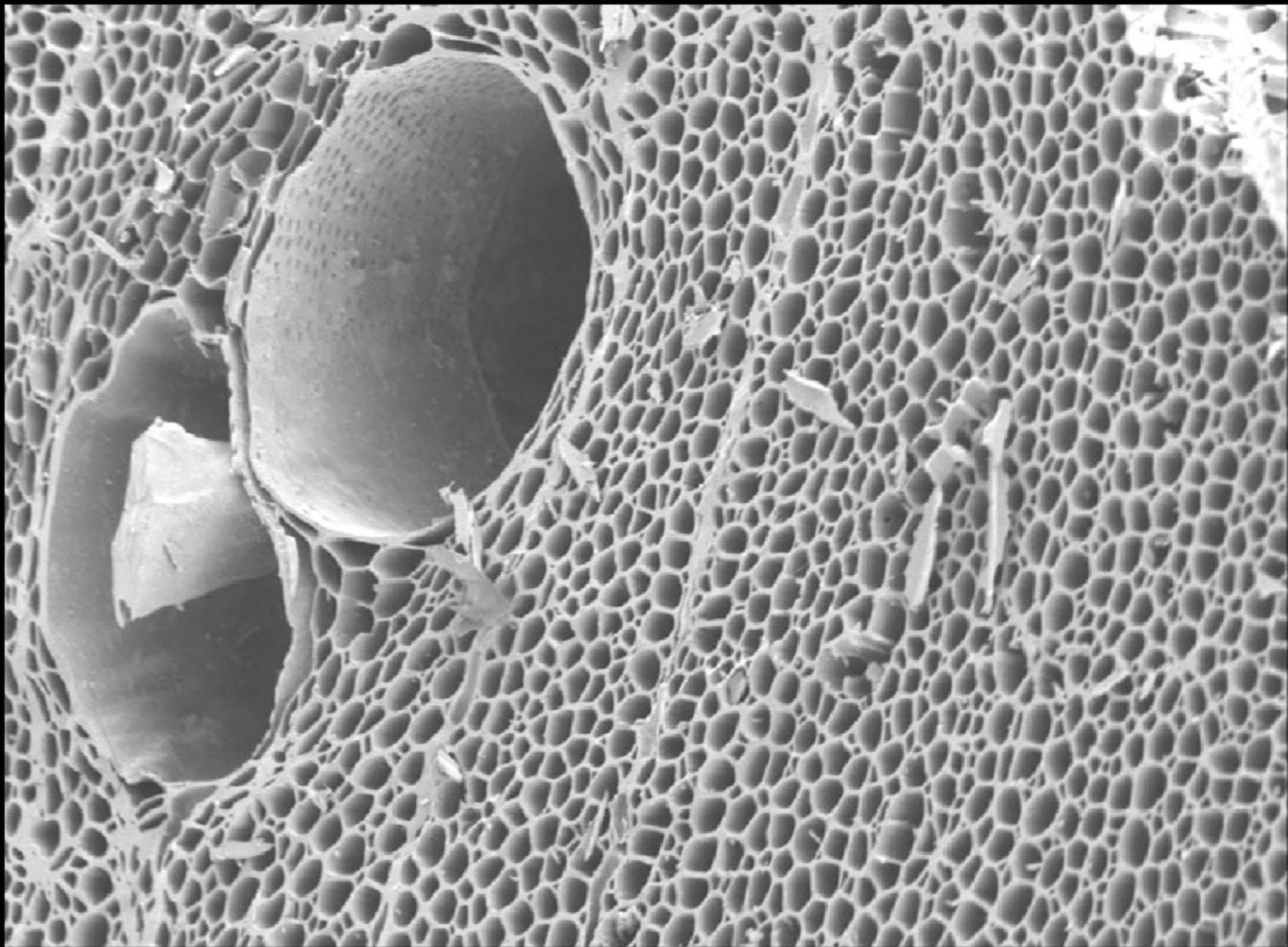




Grain yield

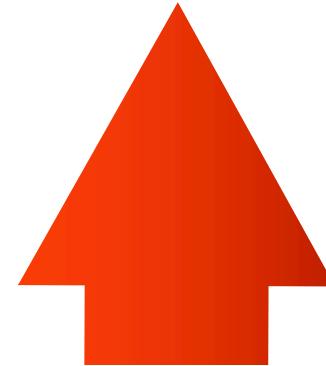
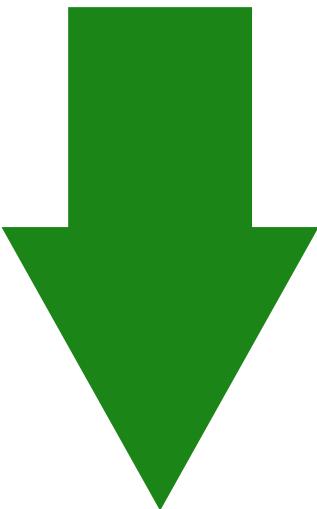
12.2 t/ha

11.4 t/ha

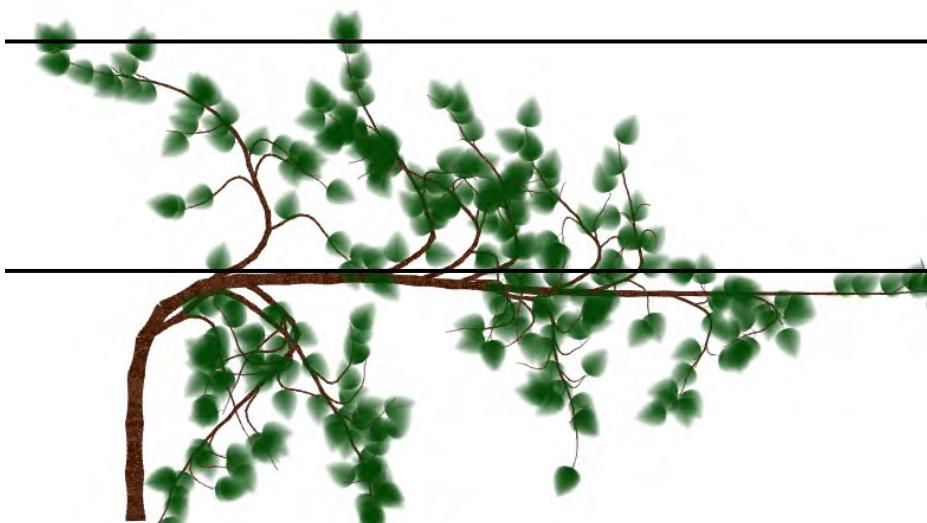
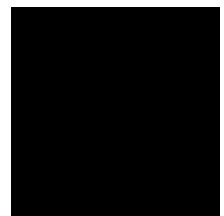


3. BIOCHAR

CO_2



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Pyrogassification: CO₂ - Negative

CO₂



CO₂



70%CO₂



Heat



30%CO₂



Biochar



REVIEW

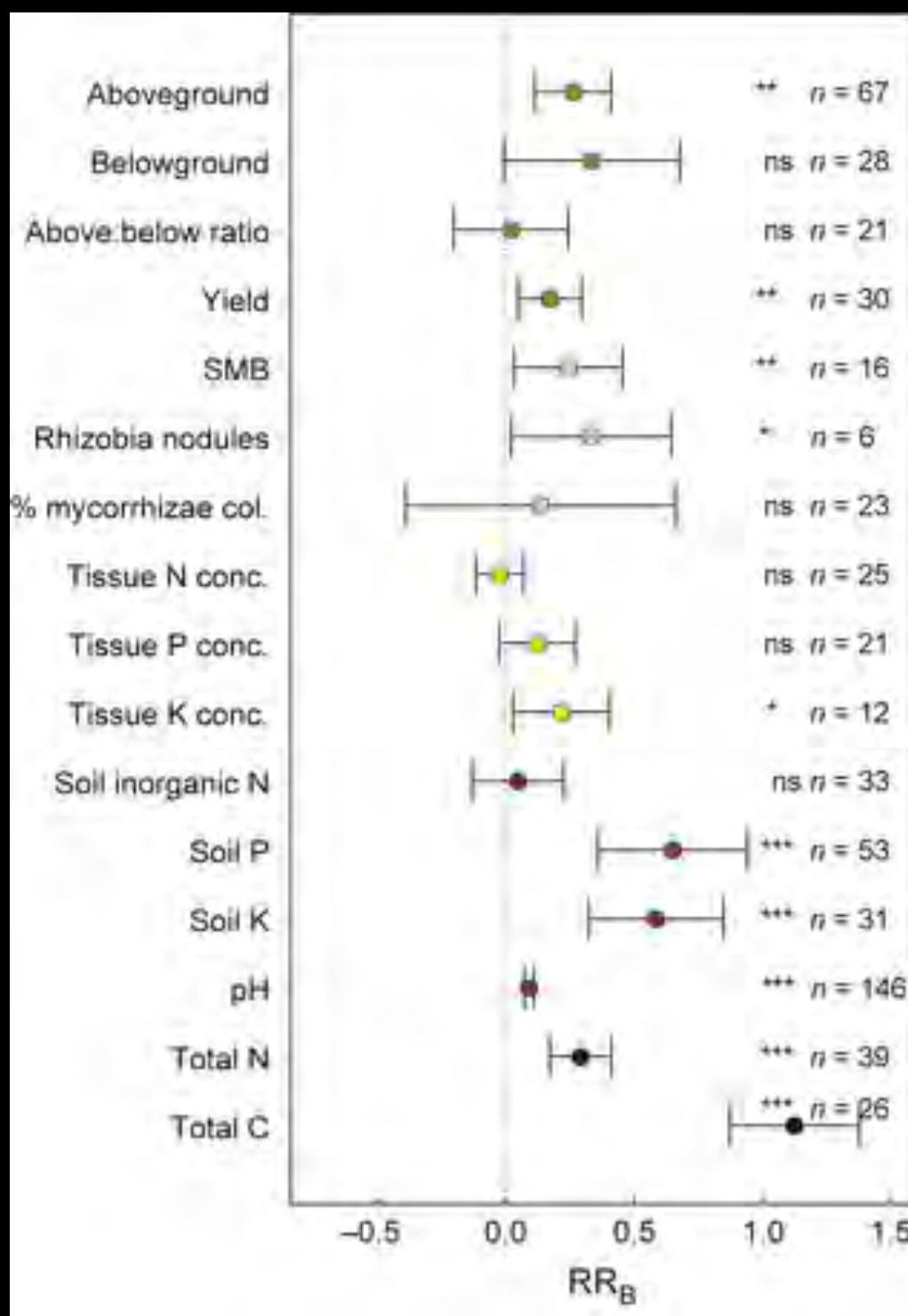
The feasibility and costs of biochar deployment in the UK

Carbon Management (2011) 13: 185–196

Simon Shackley¹, Jim Hammond¹, John Gaunt² & Rodrigo Ibarrola¹

Biochar allows long-term (multi-centennial) soil carbon storage, with potential benefits for agricultural sustainability (e.g., productivity, reduced environmental impacts and water retention). Little is known about the costs of producing biochar and this study attempts to provide a 'break-even selling point' for biochar, accounting for costs from feedstock to soil application and revenues from electricity generation and gate fees. Depending on the assumptions used, biochar in the UK context may cost between GBP-148 t⁻¹ and 389 t⁻¹ (US\$-222 to 584) produced, delivered and spread on fields, which is a provisional carbon abatement value of (GBP-144 tCO₂) to 208 tCO₂). A negative cost indicates a profit-making activity. The most profitable source of biochar is from wastes, but such materials will face complex regulatory issues and testing.





Net CO₂-sequestration: 54 t CO₂ / ha

- Increased yield
- Same quality of grapes/wine
- Improved water relations

