



Fusarium species and mycotoxins in oats: effect of cropping factors and health promoting compounds

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Outline

- Aims and challenge
- Project description
- Preliminary results
- Conclusions and upcoming work

Aims & challenge

- Promotion of cereal production for **food**

Graubünden Barley Soup

**All Swiss barley
is used for feed!**



<http://www.myswitzerland.com/>

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Swiss barley and oats for food, less for feed

Recipe for Birchermüesli

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- **Promotion of cereal production for food**
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- **Improved health**
Elevated content of health promoting compounds (**HPCs**) in certain cereal varieties, e.g. phenolic acids, anthocyanins, arabinoxylans, carotenoids, β -glucans

- **Fusaria and mycotoxins**

- severe yield losses
- threat to human health



- **Improved safety**

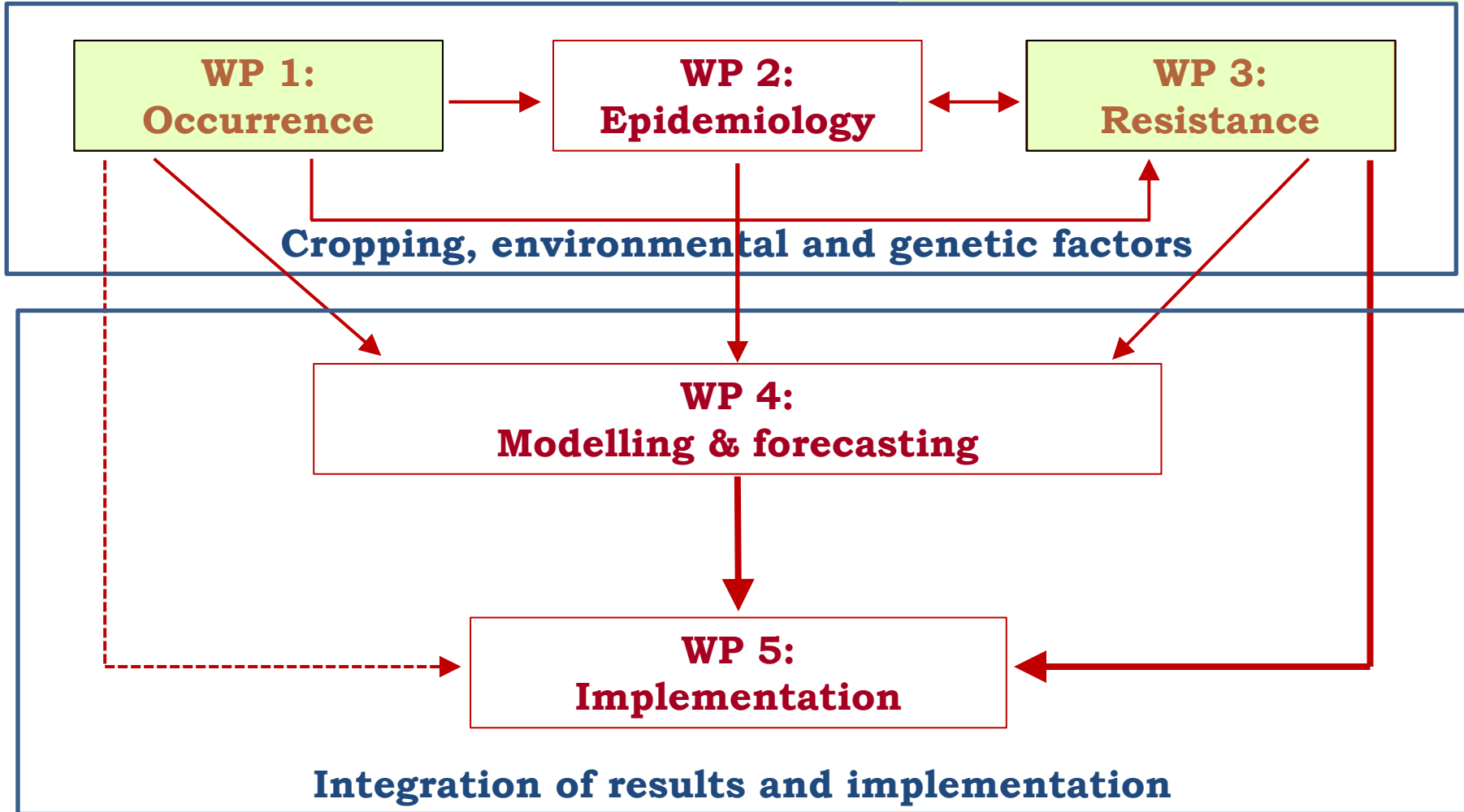
HPCs could reduce growth of toxigenic *Fusarium* species

→ **Healthy & Safe** (start: December 2013)



Healthy & Safe project Work packages

As of now: preliminary
results available

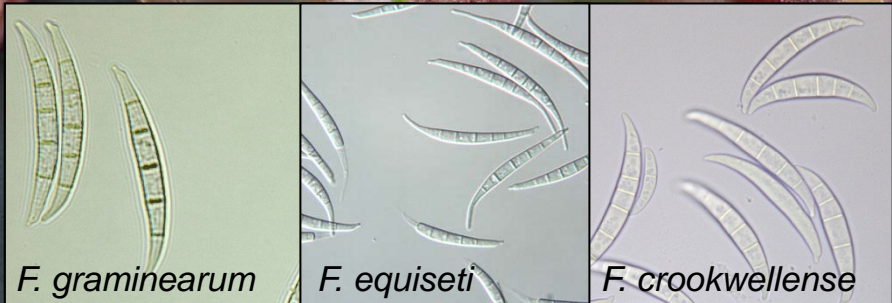


Occurrence - Epidemiology - Resistance - Forecasting

WP 1

- **Monitoring of growers' samples** throughout Switzerland (cropping factors)

- **Agroscope variety trials** in S, W & E Switzerland (cropping & environmental factors)

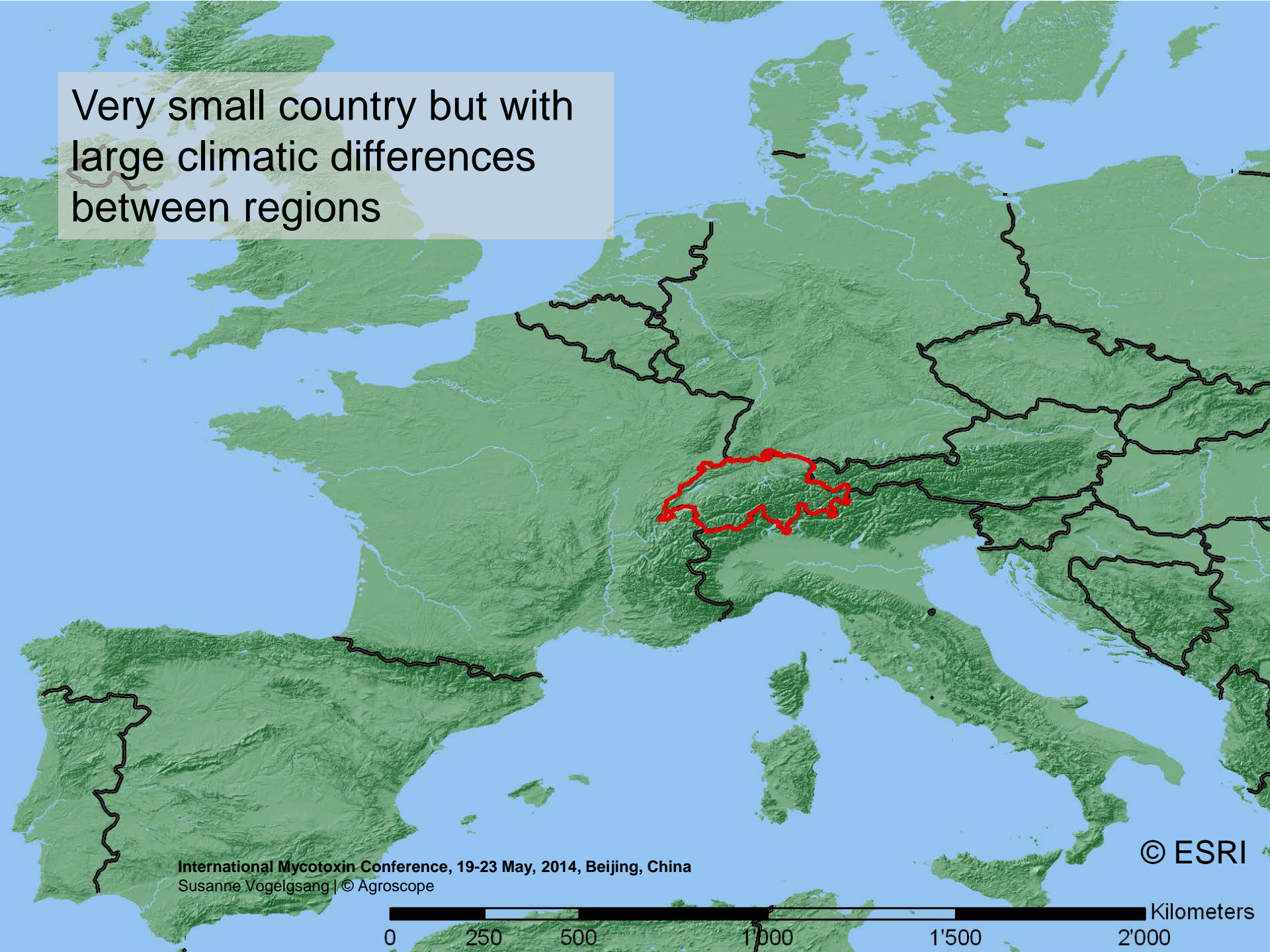


F. graminearum

F. equiseti

F. crookwellense

Very small country but with large climatic differences between regions



International Mycotoxin Conference, 19-23 May, 2014, Beijing, China
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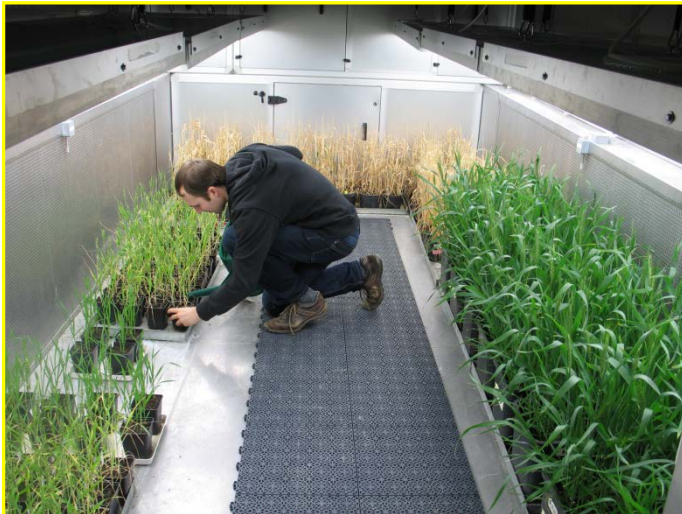


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WP 2



- **Climate chamber**
Variety, temperature
& leaf wetness duration



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- **Climate chambers**
Variety, temperature & leaf wetness duration
- **Field conditions**
Weather & inoculum



Inoculation during anthesis

WP 3



- **Resistance experiments at three sites in Switzerland**
 - HPC enhanced genotypes
 - Artificial infections

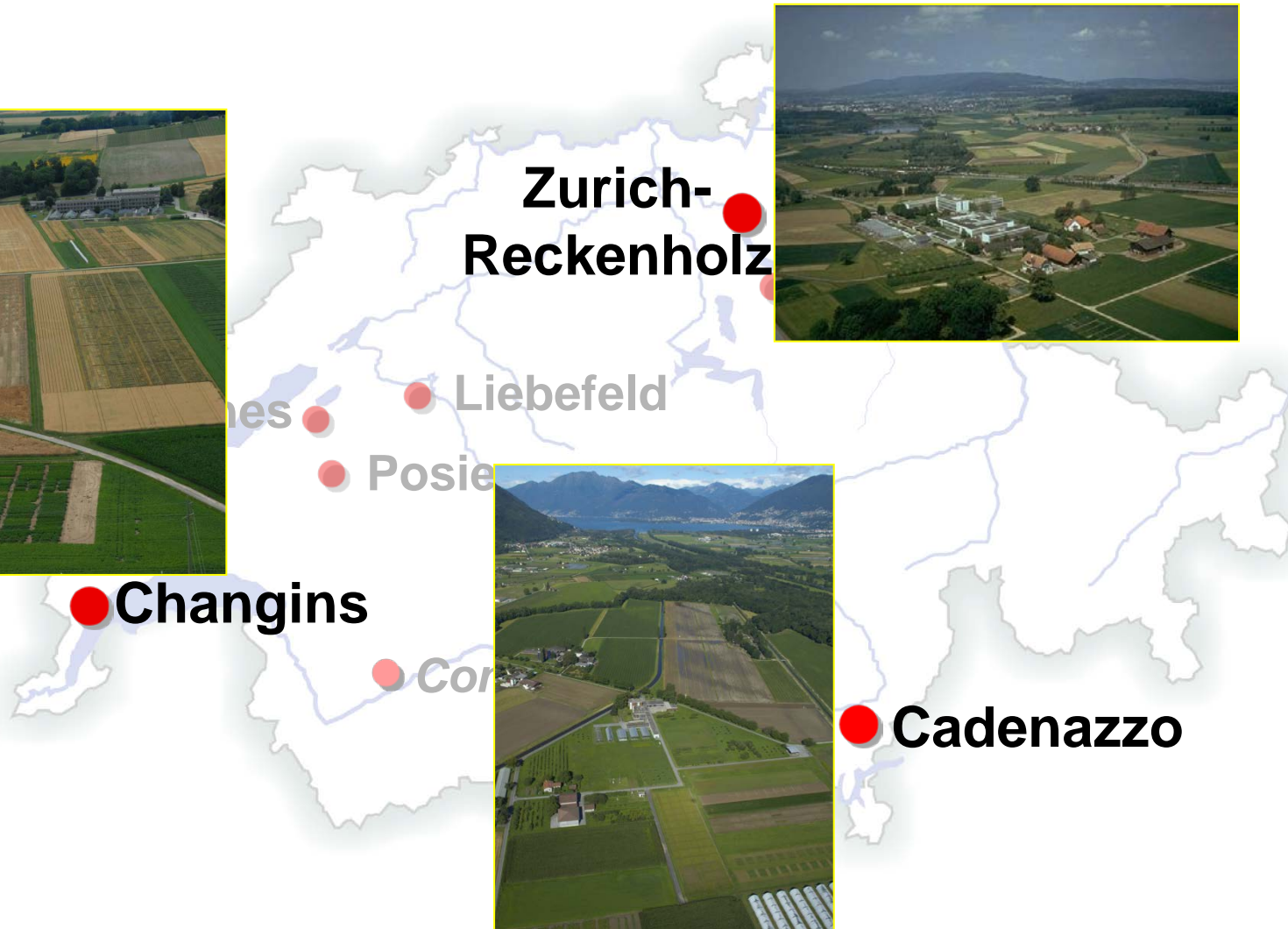


Sites of resistance experiments





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WP 3



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 - HPC enhanced genotypes
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- **Toronit x 211.12014 mapping population**
Role of carotenoids

- **Wheat isolines**
Anthocyanin spectrum

- **HPCs on *in vitro* growth and toxin production**

FusaProg

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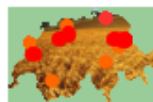
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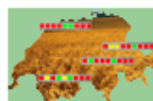
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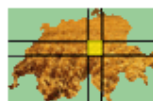
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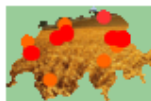
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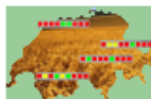
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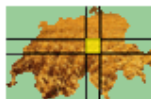
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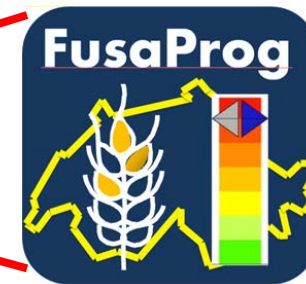
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**WebApp for FusaProg:
as of now available for
wheat only**




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WP 5 Implementation partners

Industry & marketing



Extension



Konferenz der kantonalen Pflanzenschutzdienste (KPSD)
Conférence des services phytosanitaires cantonaux (CSP)
Conferenza degli servizi fitosanitari cantonali (CSF)

Research



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Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich



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ssn Società Svizzera di Nutrizione

Zurich University
of Applied Sciences



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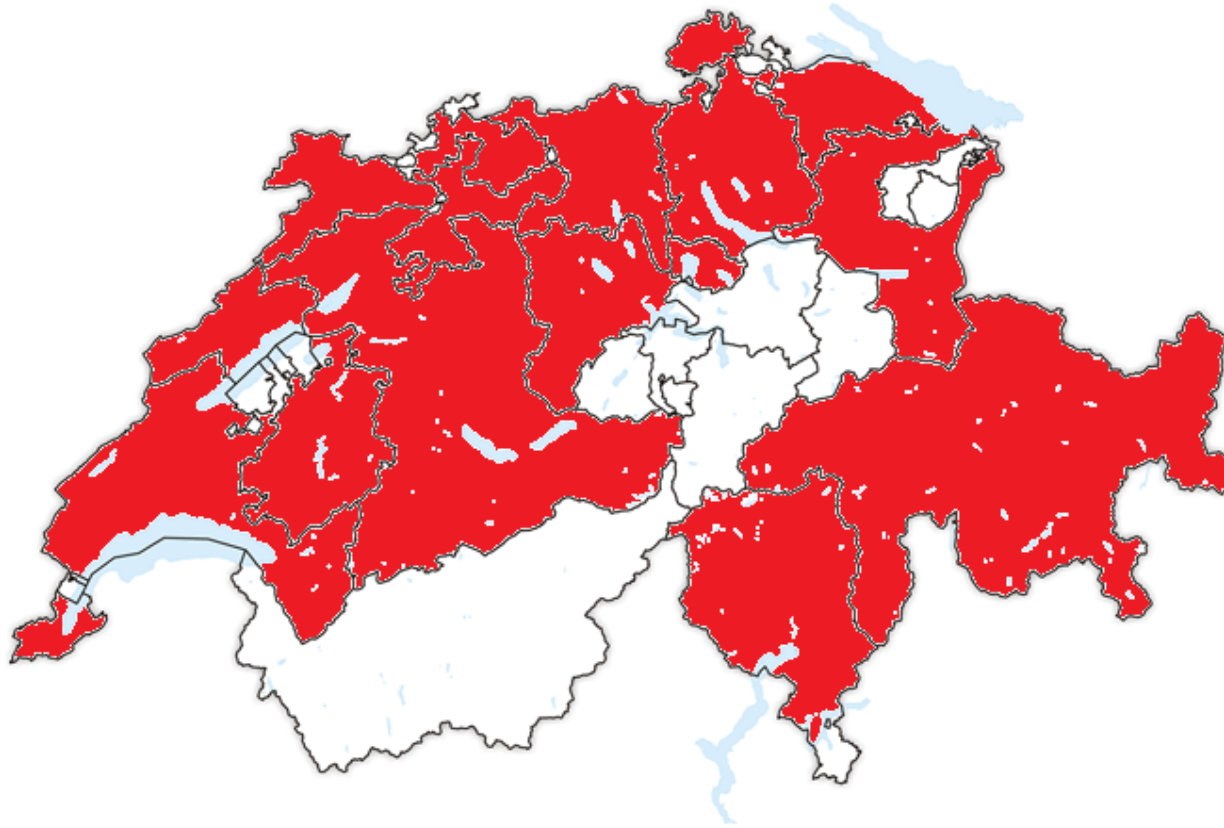
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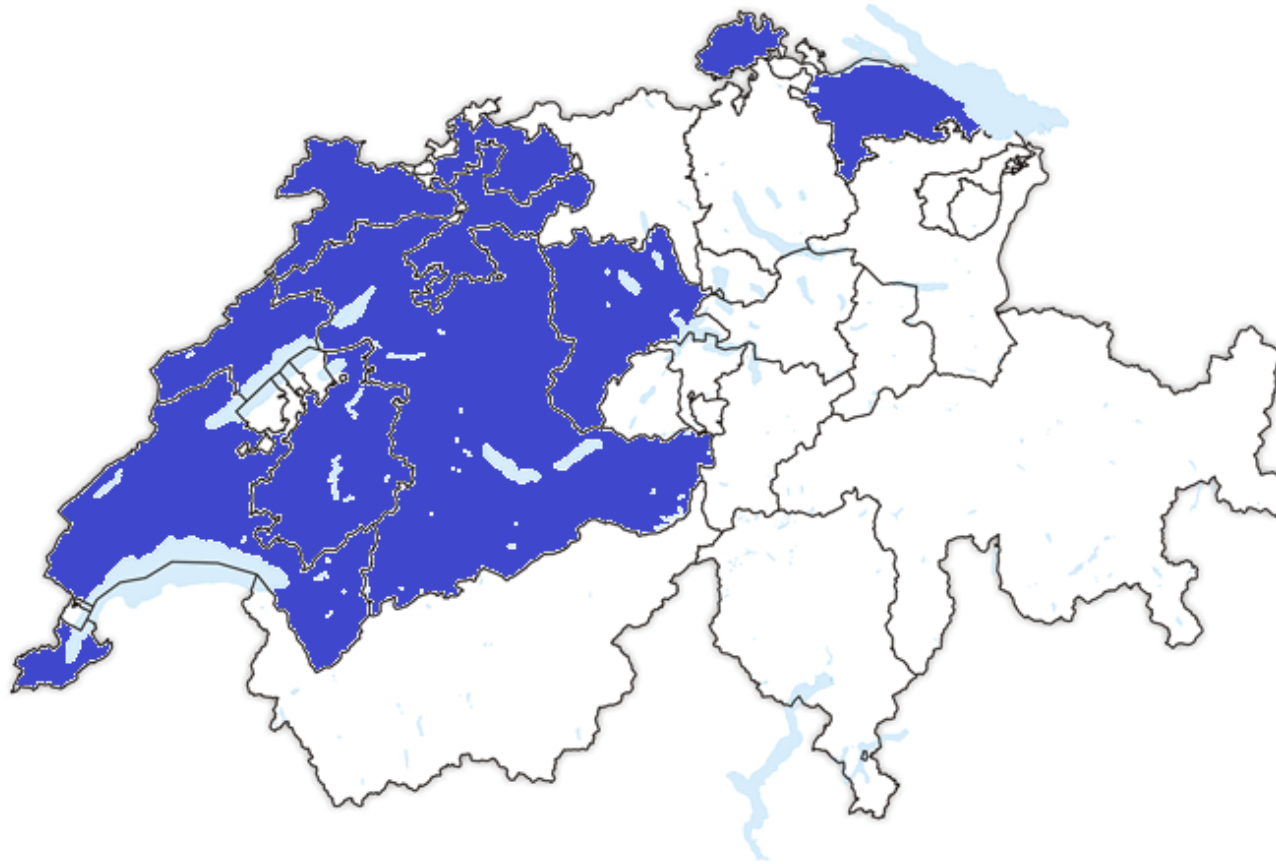
- 280 **barley** samples from 17 cantons






WP 1: Occurrence - monitoring 2013

- 280 barley samples from 17 cantons
- 93 **oat** samples from 11 cantons



WP 1: Questionnaire on cropping factors

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Questions concernant l'échantillon d'orge et d'avoine - récolte 2014

Nom et adresse du producteur		conv. <input type="checkbox"/>	extenso <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>reld 079.398.02.73</i>		PER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	bio <input type="checkbox"/>
Tel: <i>032 835 27 75</i> E-Mail:		PI-label <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nom & endroit de la parcelle: <i>Grasbläse (Saint Aubin)</i>			
Espèce (orge/avoine automne/printemps) et variété:		Précédent (2013): en cas de maïs indiquer si maïs en graine ou enilage	
<i>Semper et meridiana</i>		<i>Articel combiné</i>	
Avez-vous observé de la fusariose dans l'orge?		Pré-précédent (2012):	
oui <input type="checkbox"/> non <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> remarque:		<i>maïs</i>	
Moissonneuse-batteuse avec broyeur de chaume sous coupe (2013) <input type="checkbox"/> oui <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> non <input type="checkbox"/> inconnu			
Broyage des débris supplémentaires <input type="checkbox"/> oui <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> non		En cas de broyage avec quelle machine:	
Charrue <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> oui <input type="checkbox"/> non		Rototiller <input type="checkbox"/>	
Chisel <input type="checkbox"/>		Herse à disques <input type="checkbox"/>	
Fraise <input type="checkbox"/>		Cultivateur <input type="checkbox"/>	
Autres:			
Semis direct <input type="checkbox"/> oui <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> non			
Date de semis: <i>23.03.2013</i> Début floraison (CD 01): <i>12.05.14</i> Date de récolte: <i>27.06.14</i>			
Engrais azoté: kg N / ha	1 <i>06.03.14</i>	2 <i>18.03.14</i>	3 <i>15.04.14</i>
Nom du produit si connu	<i>24 N/ha</i>	<i>27 N/ha</i>	<i>27 N/ha</i>
	<i>nitric bander 24N 50%</i>	<i>nitric bander 27N 20%</i>	<i>idem</i>
Fongicide:	Produit:	Date:	Stade CD:
Régulateur de croissance:	Produit:	Date:	Stade CD:

variety

production system

previous crop

tillage / residue management

Veuillez renvoyer le formulaire complété avec l'échantillon - merci beaucoup!

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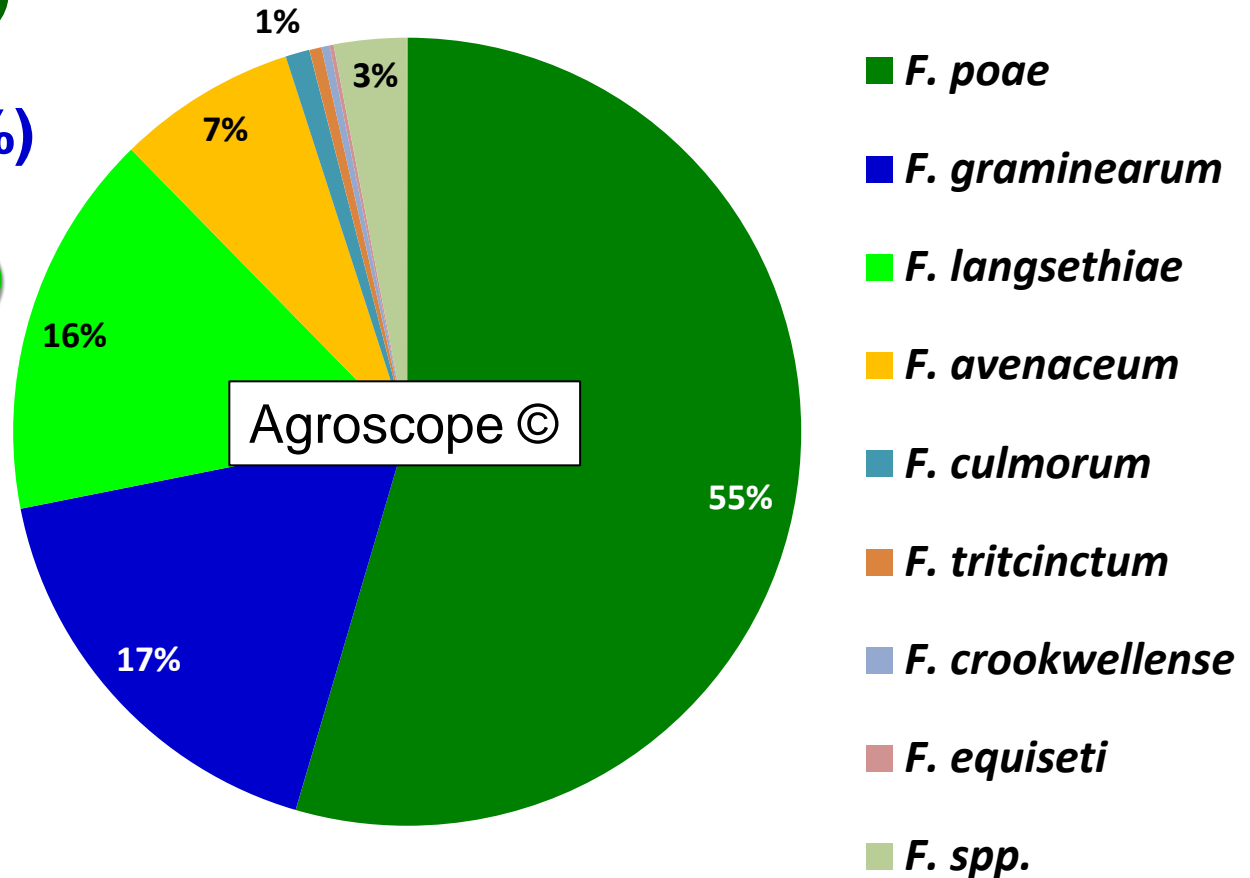
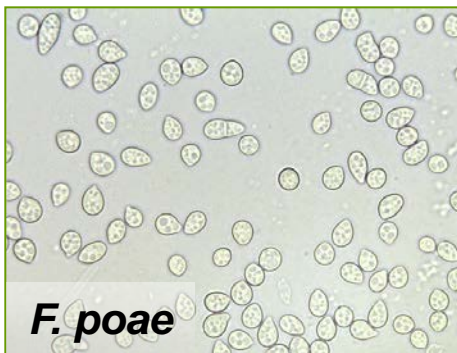


Results oat monitoring 2013 (n =93) *Fusarium* species distribution

FP: Ø 4% (0-18%)

FG: Ø 1 % (0-22%)

FL: Ø 1% (0-11%)

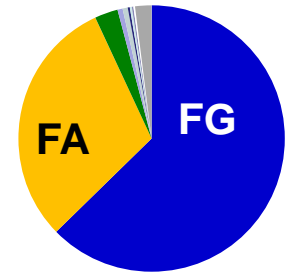




Results oat monitoring 2013

Fusarium species distribution

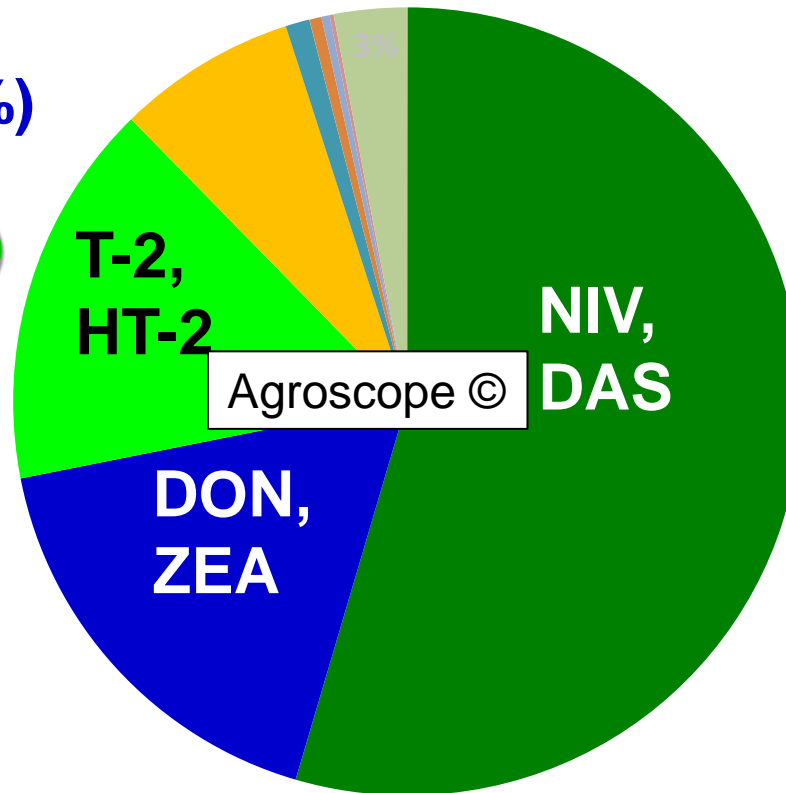
Barley (n=280)



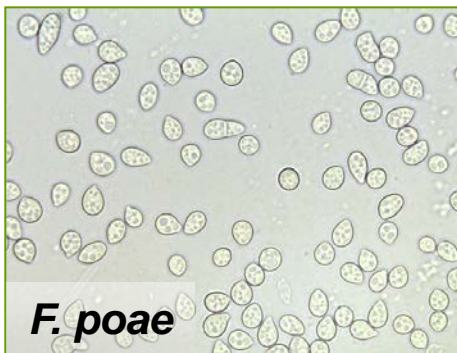
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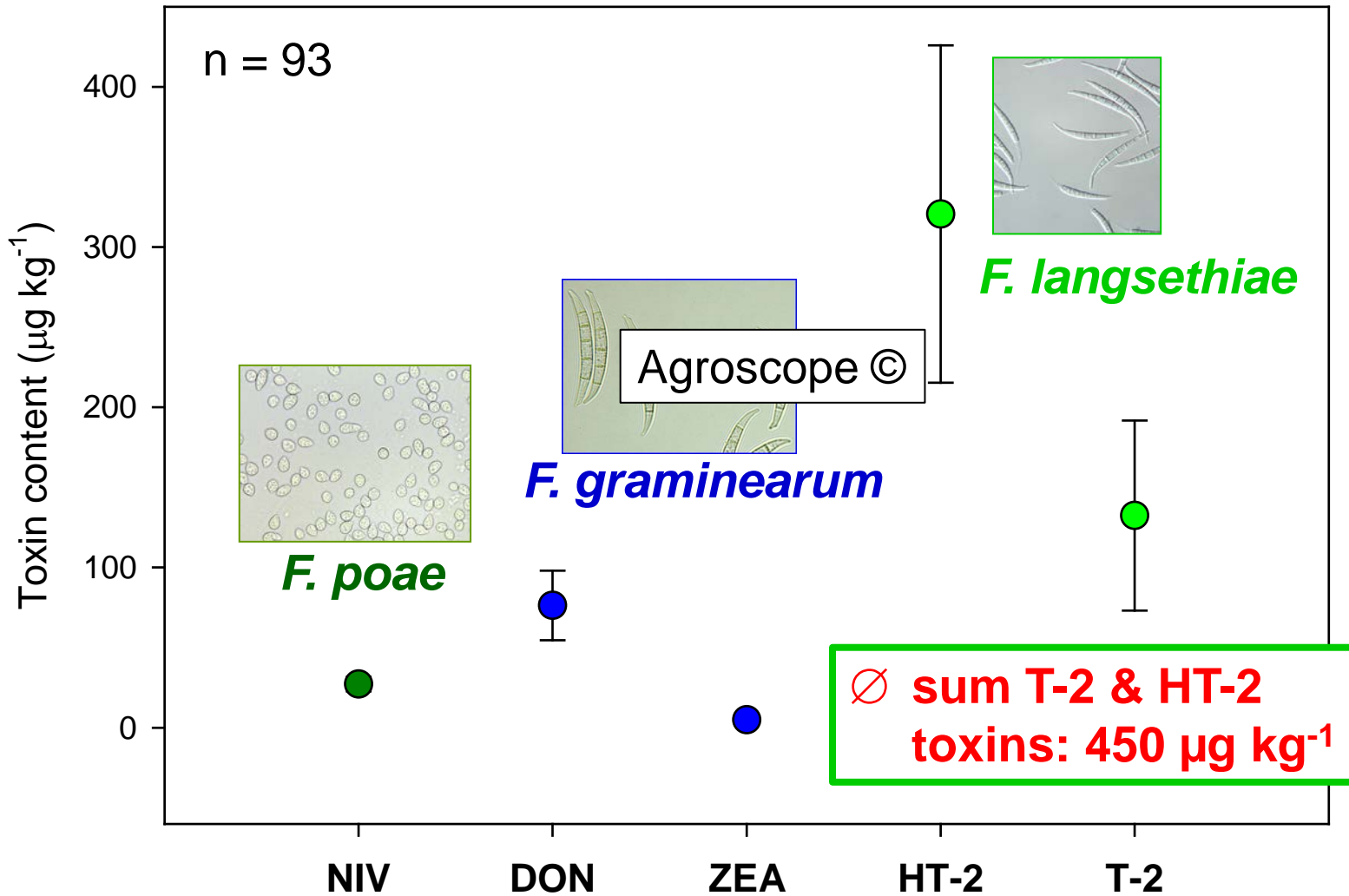
- *F. poae*
- *F. graminearum*
- *F. langsethiae*
- *F. avenaceum*
- *F. culmorum*
- *F. tritinctum*
- *F. crookwellense*
- *F. equiseti*
- *F. spp.*



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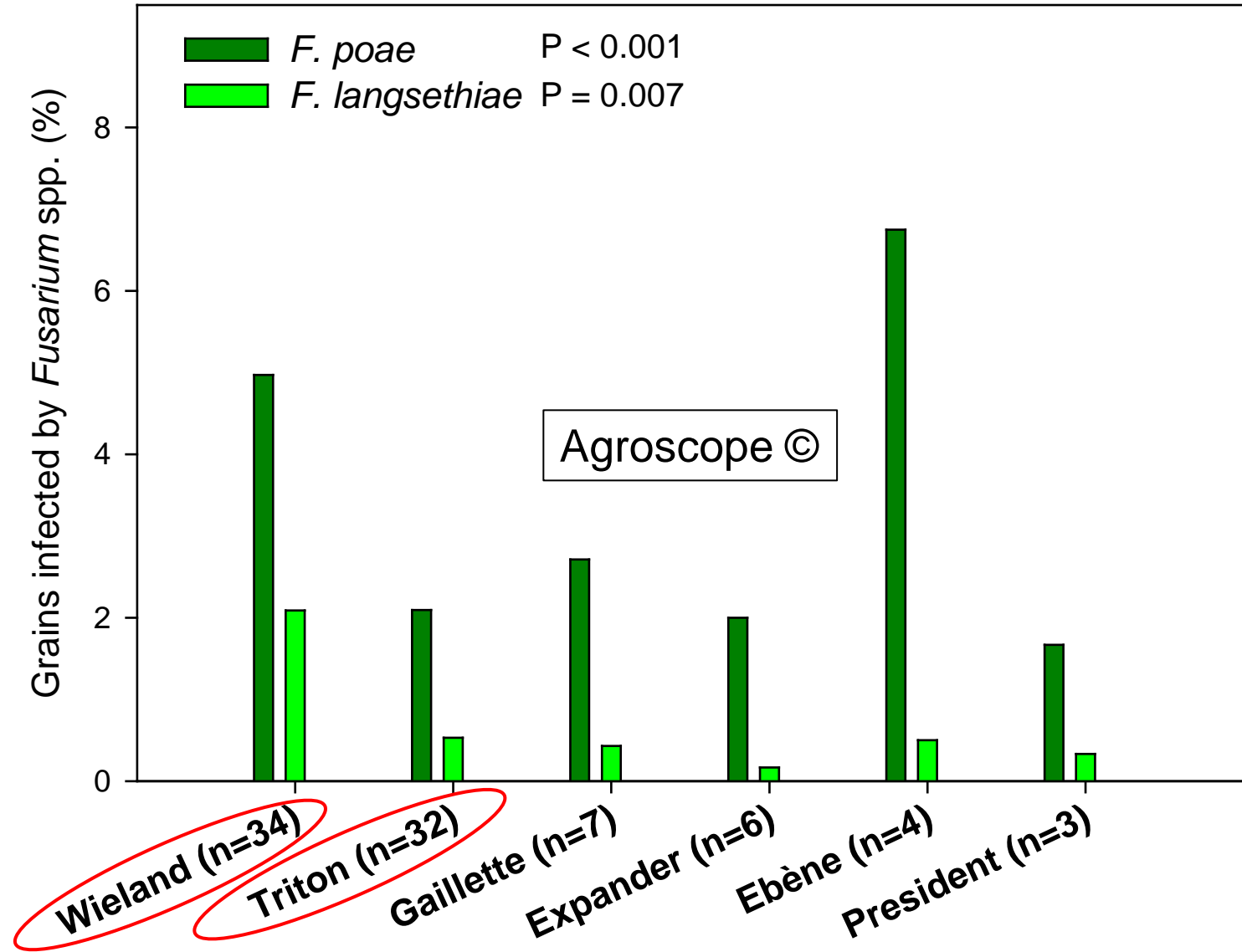


Oat monitoring: average **toxin** contents



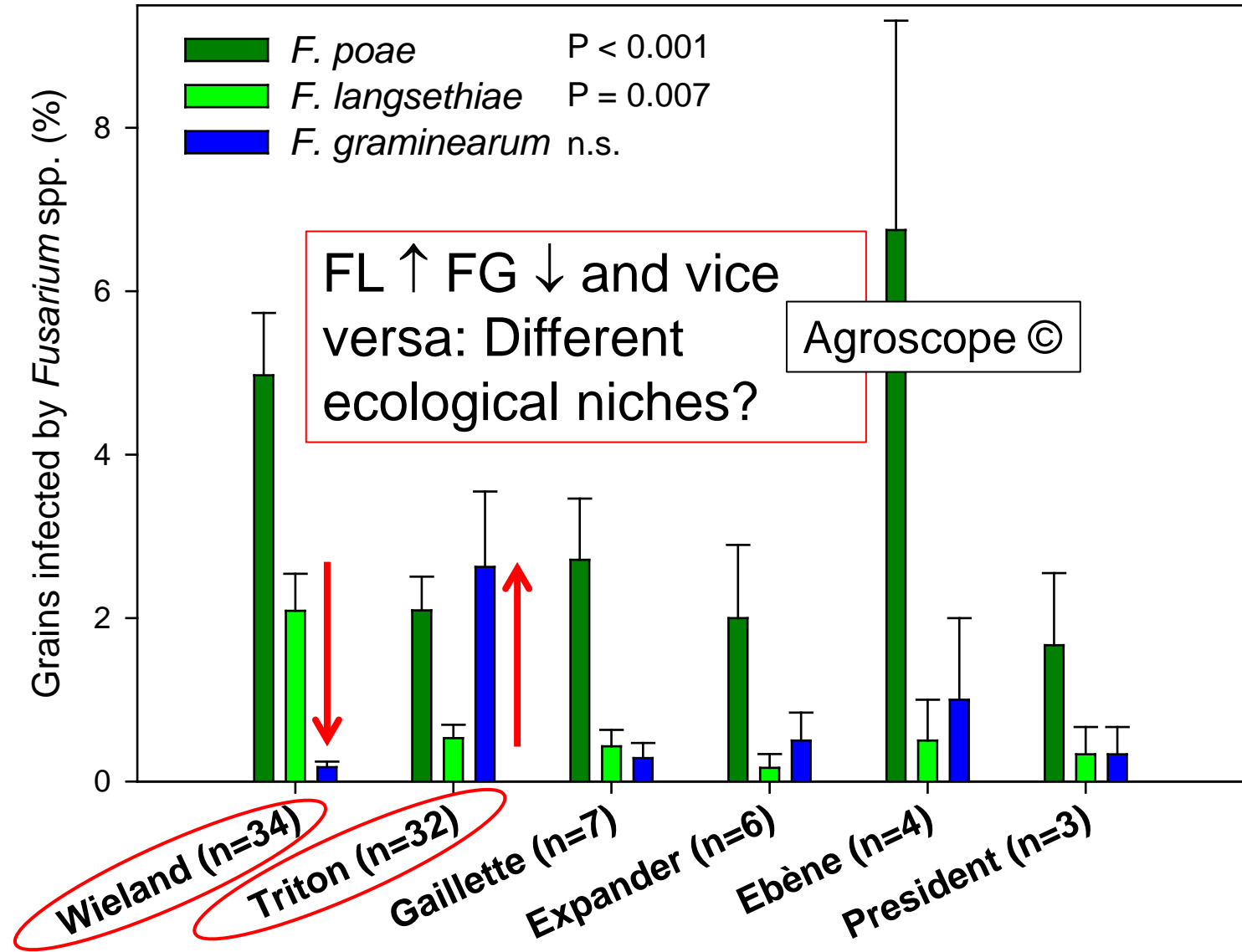


Effect of oat **varieties** on incidence of *Fusarium* species



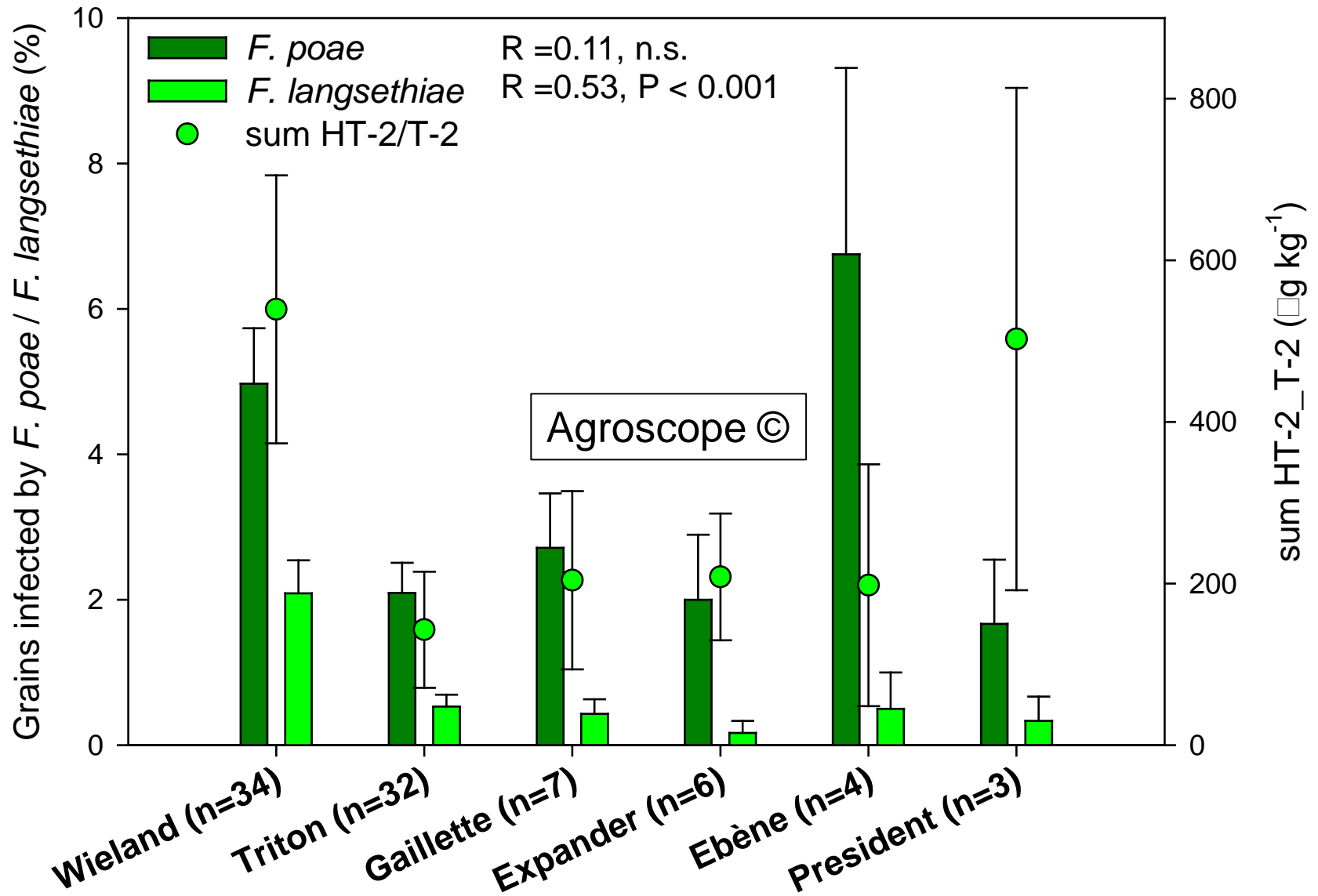


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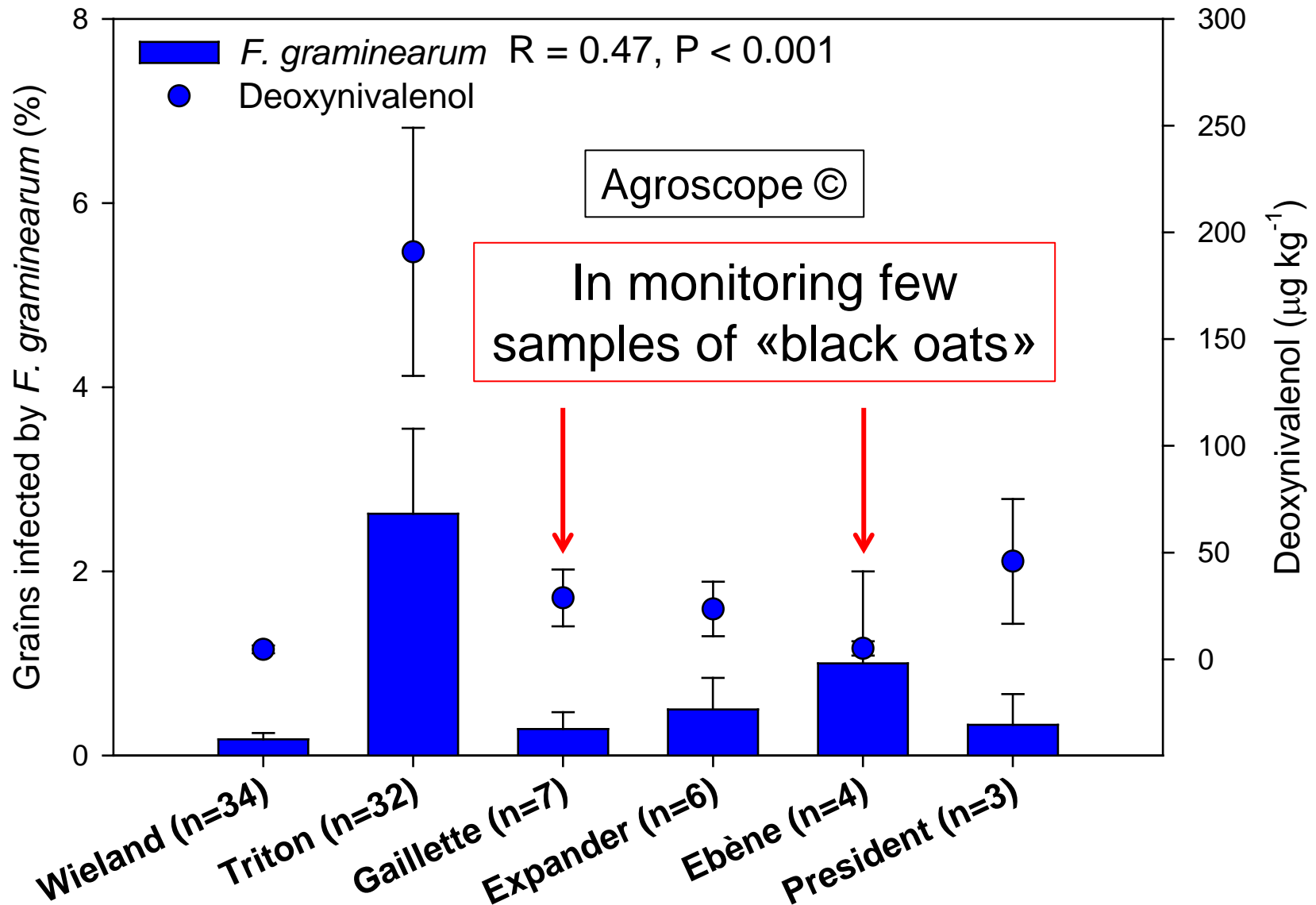


Effect of oat varieties on HT-2/T-2 toxin content & correlation



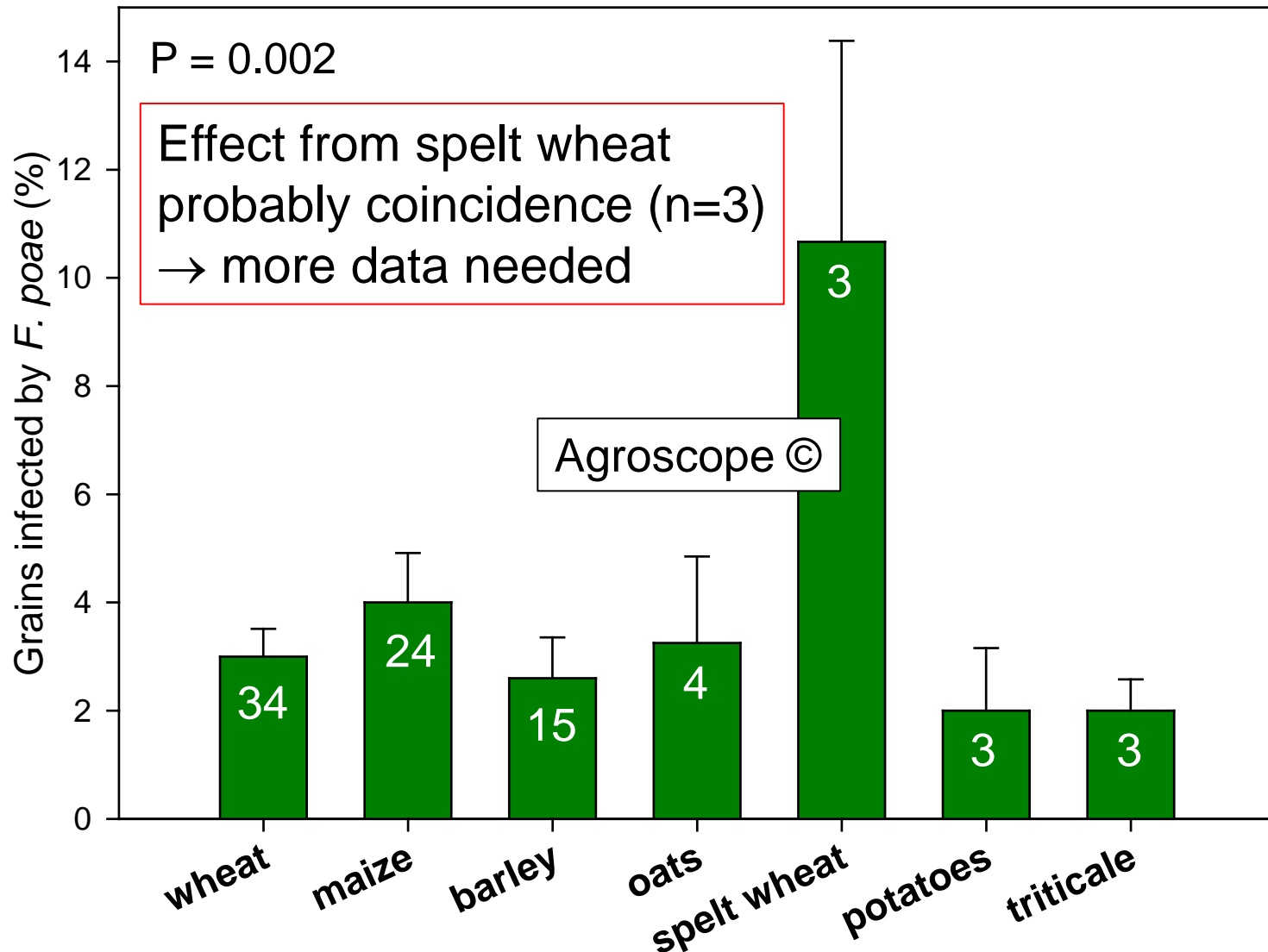


Effect of oat varieties on **FG**, **DON** content and **correlation**



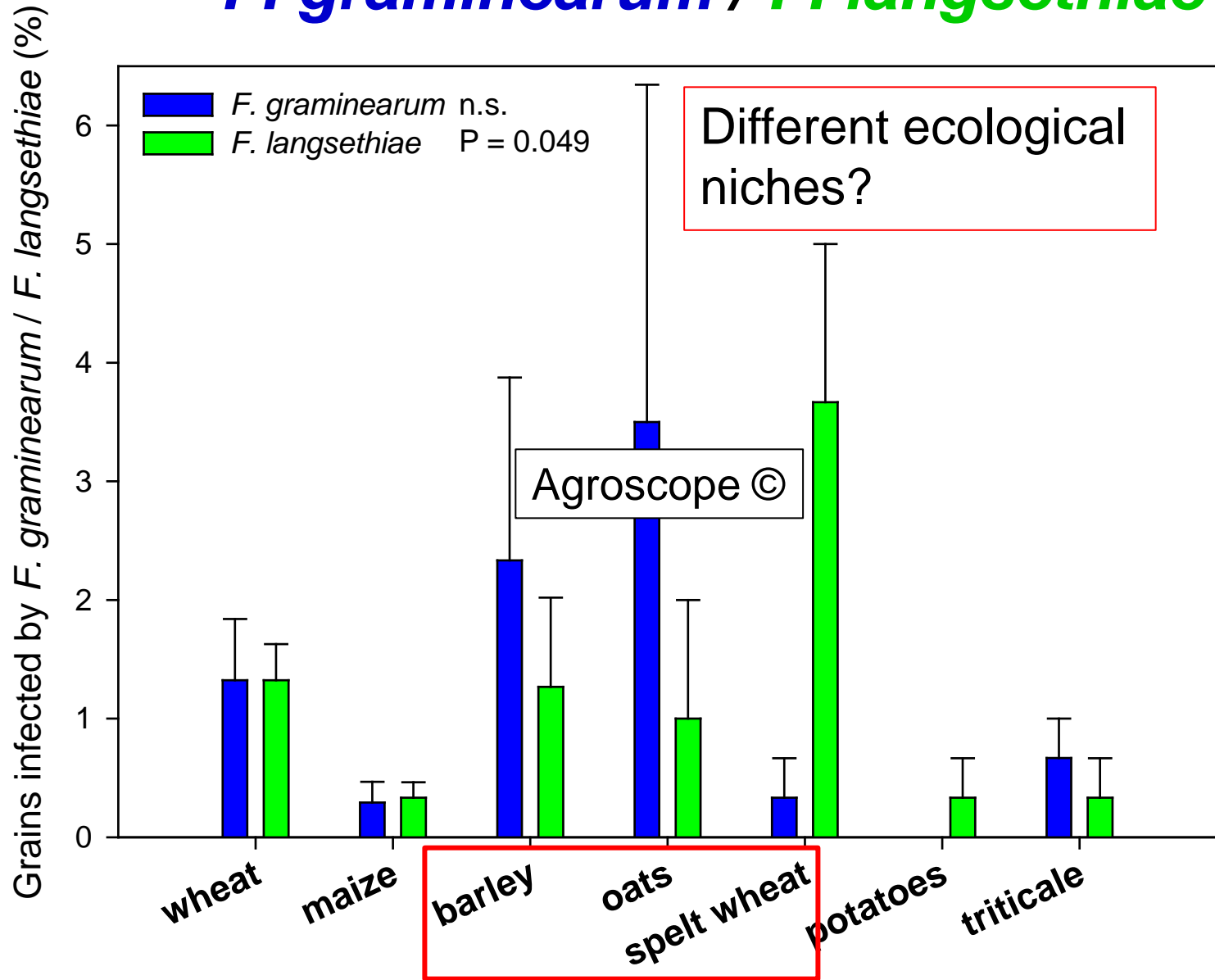


Effect of **previous crops** on ***F. poae*** incidence in oats



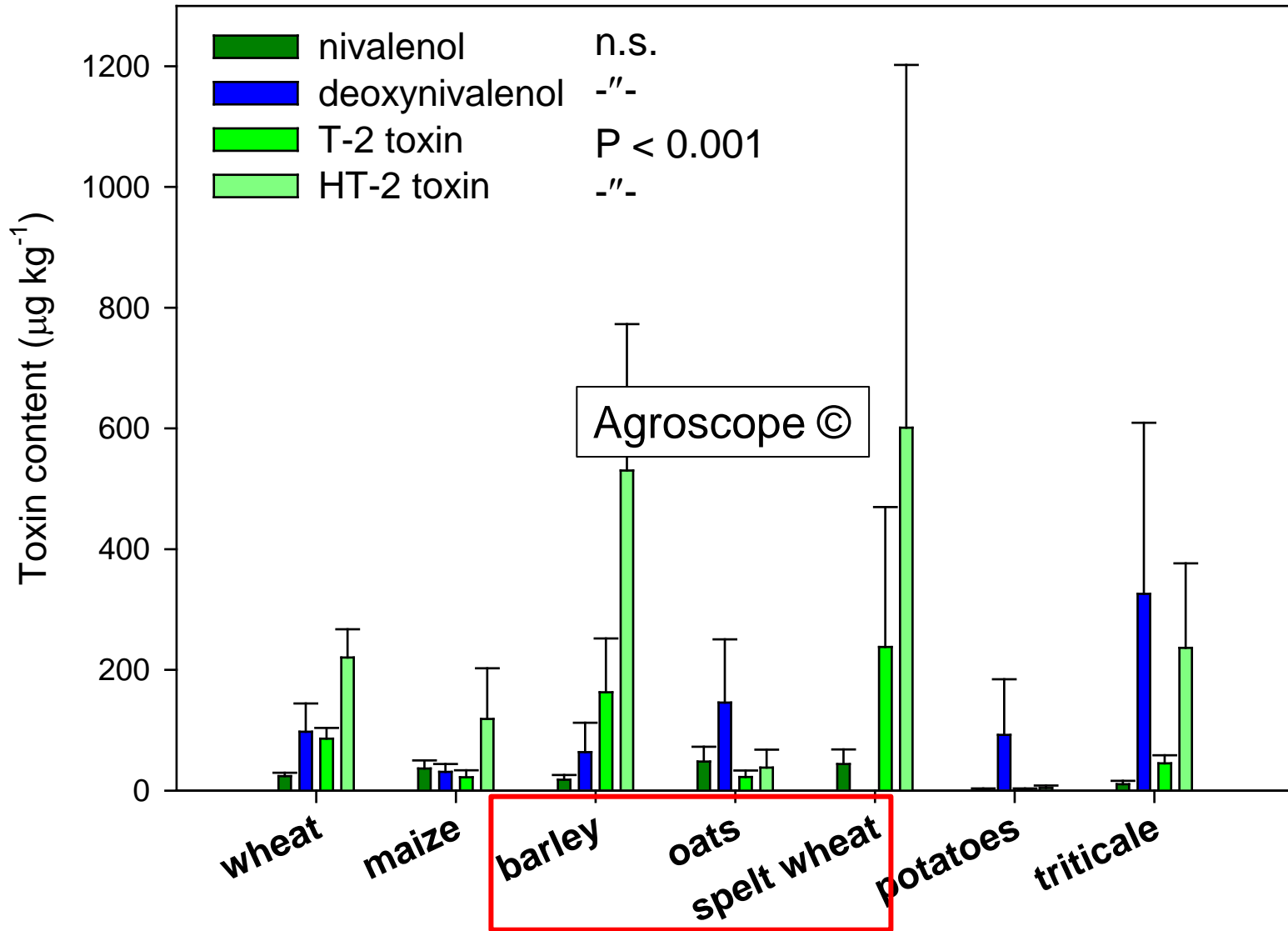


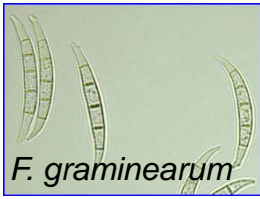
Effect of previous crops on incidence of *F. graminearum* / *F. langsethiae*



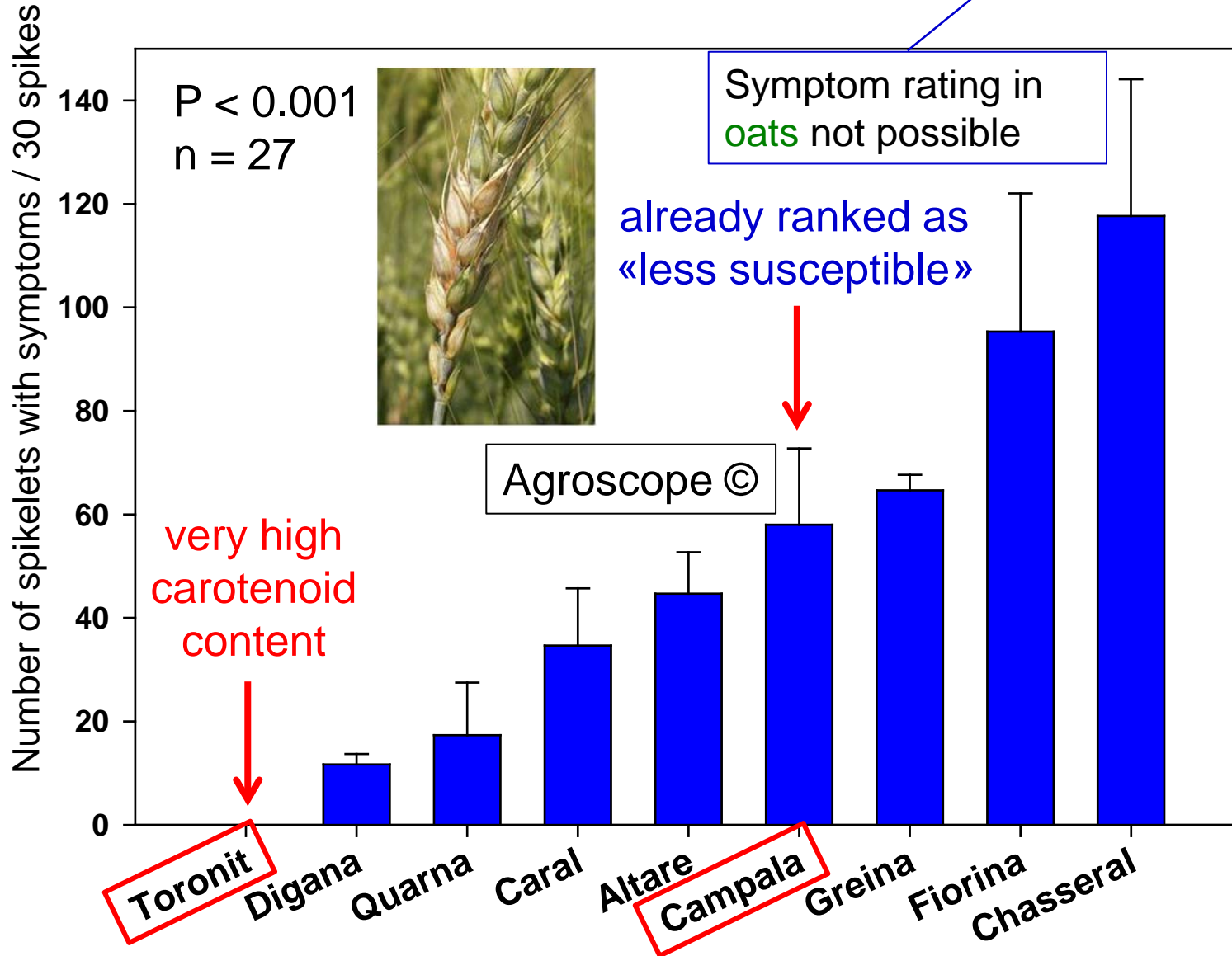


Effect of previous crops on toxins





Resistance experiments with artificial infections - symptoms in **wheat** varieties





Conclusions

- **Growers' oat samples were contaminated**
T-2 & HT-2 content somewhat scary
- **Pronounced effect between varieties**
 - different for individual *Fusarium* species
 - true variety effect, or weather or HPC related?
- **Effect of cropping factors not clear yet**
Dataset for oats - in contrast to wheat and barley - still very small; more samples and in-depth analyses needed



Ongoing experiments and outlook

- Oat and barley **monitoring** 2014 running
- **Resistance** experiments at 3 sites (oat, barley, wheat)
Harvest has started, followed by seed health test (incidence), qPCR, toxin content
- **Epidemiology: climate chamber experiments running, field in 2015**
Effect of temperature, leaf wetness duration on infection, contamination and spore deposition



**Health
threatening
mycotoxins**

**Value added,
healthy & safe cereals
Economic & social
benefits:**

- reduced toxin risks and less fungicide use
- increased attractiveness of Swiss food products

Thank you

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