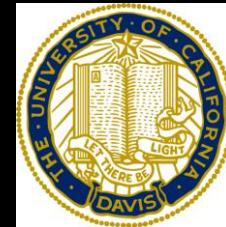


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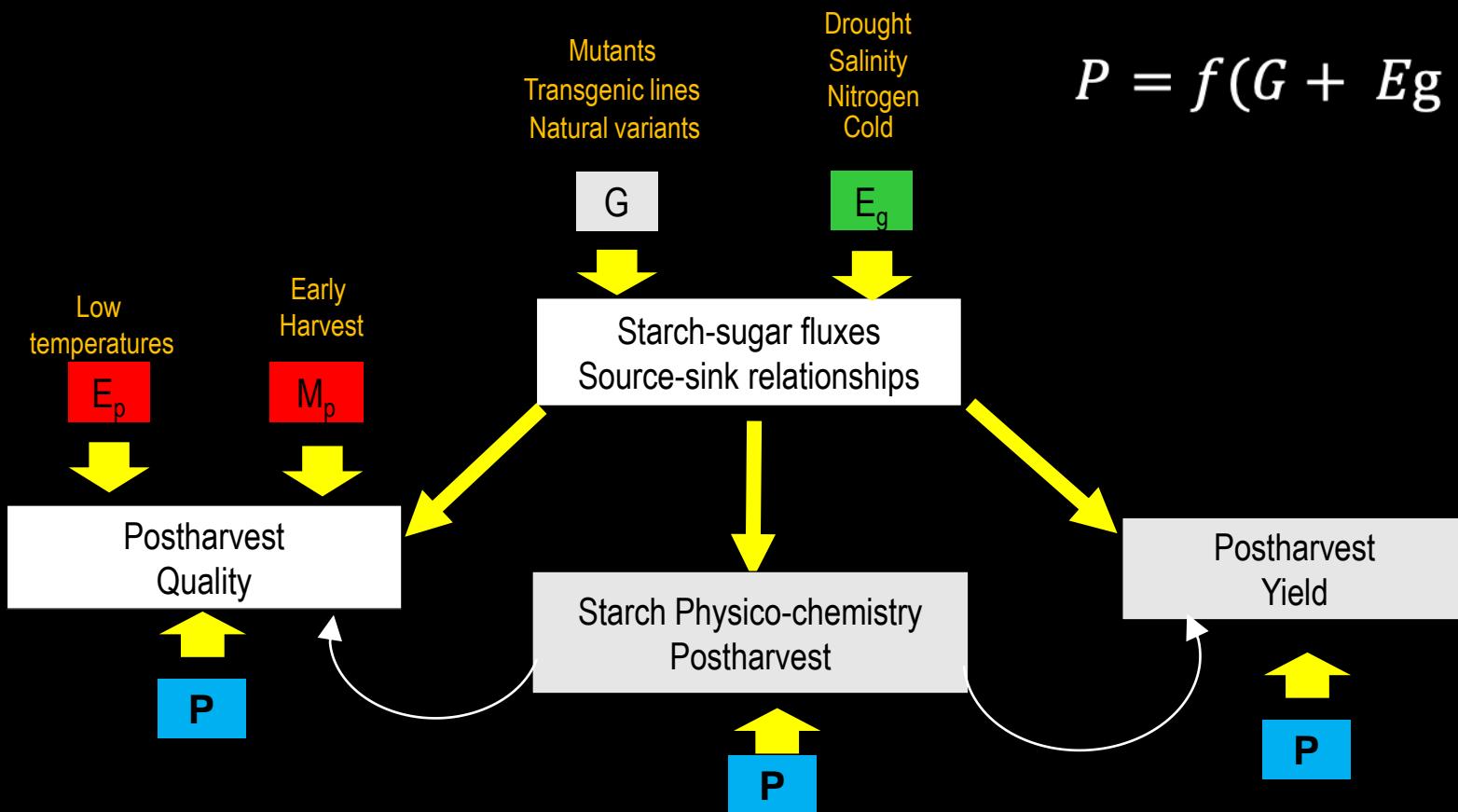
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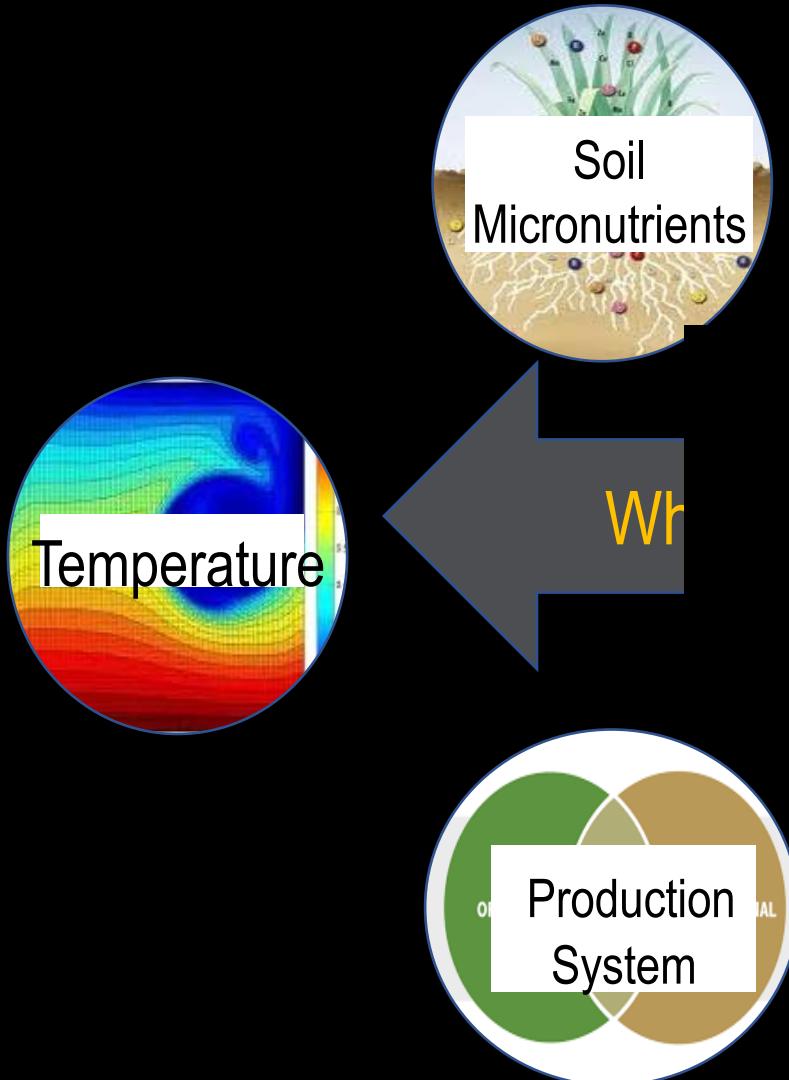
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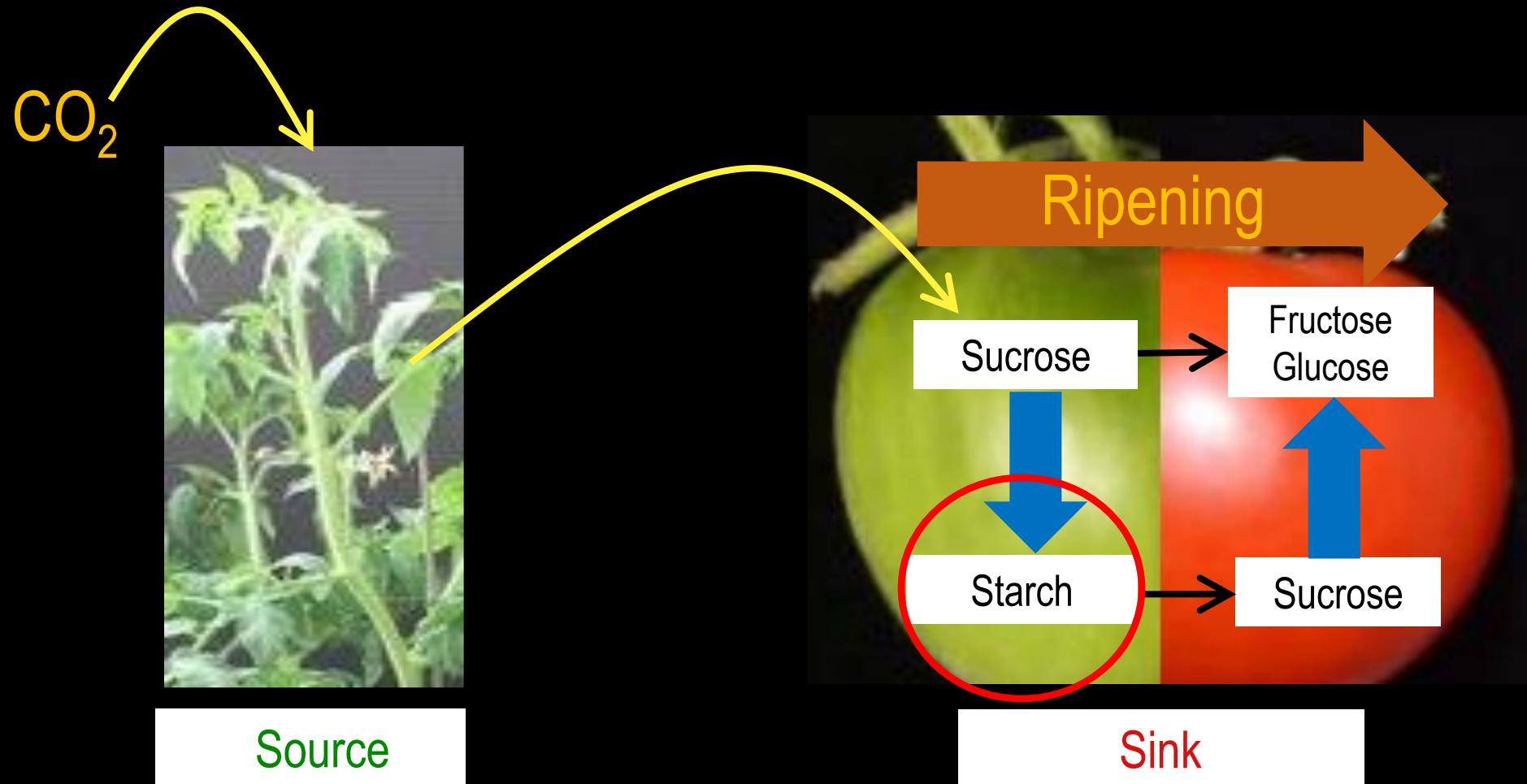


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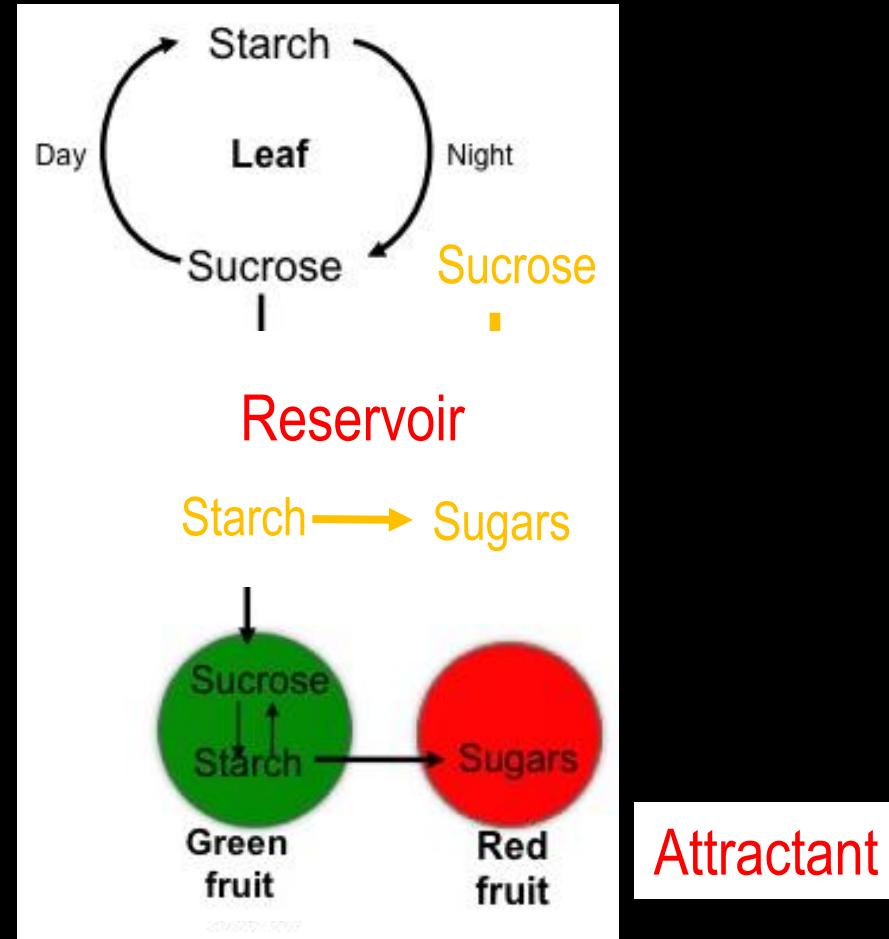
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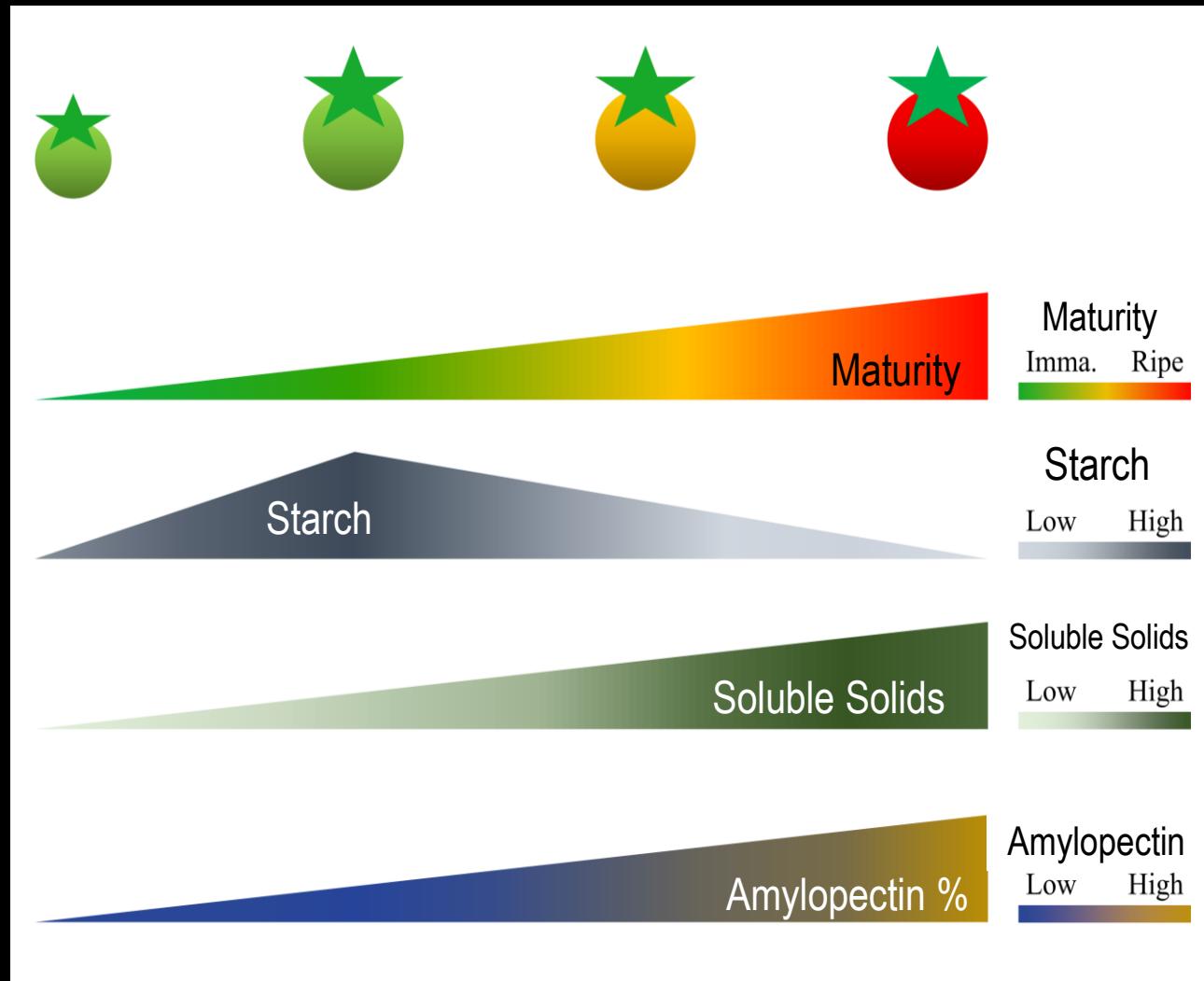
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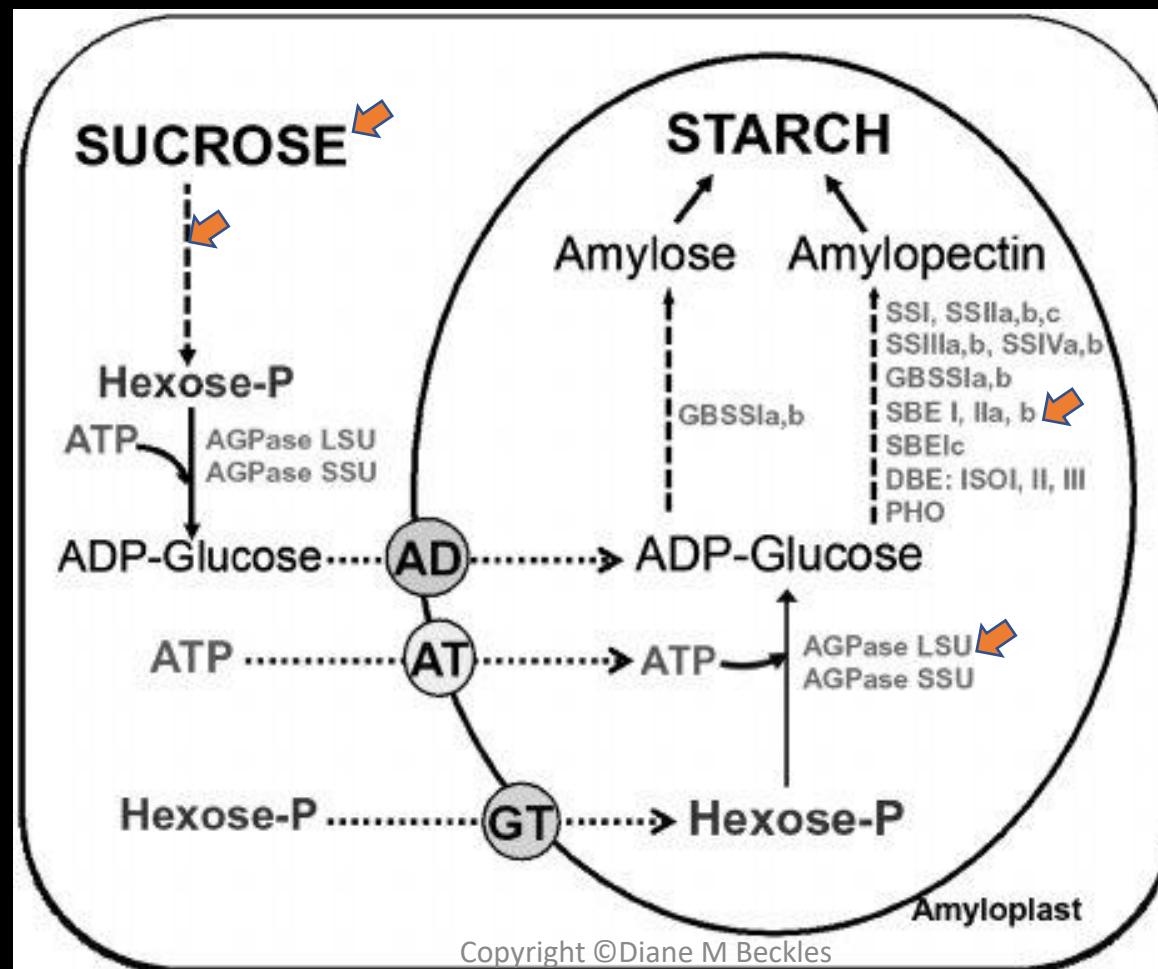
# Tomato Source-Sink Relationships & Starch



# Starch-to-Sugars in Ripening Tomato Fruit

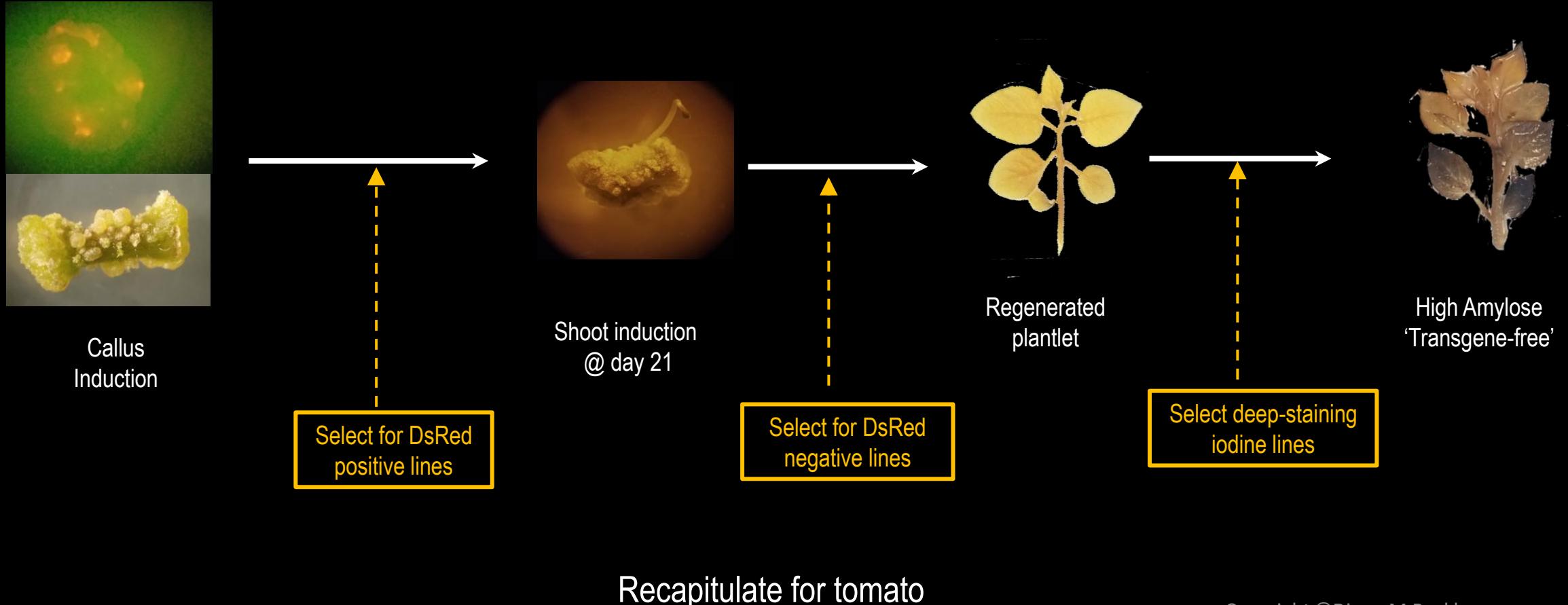


# Alter The Amount And Structure Of Fruit Starch To Influence Fruit Sugar By Gene Editing

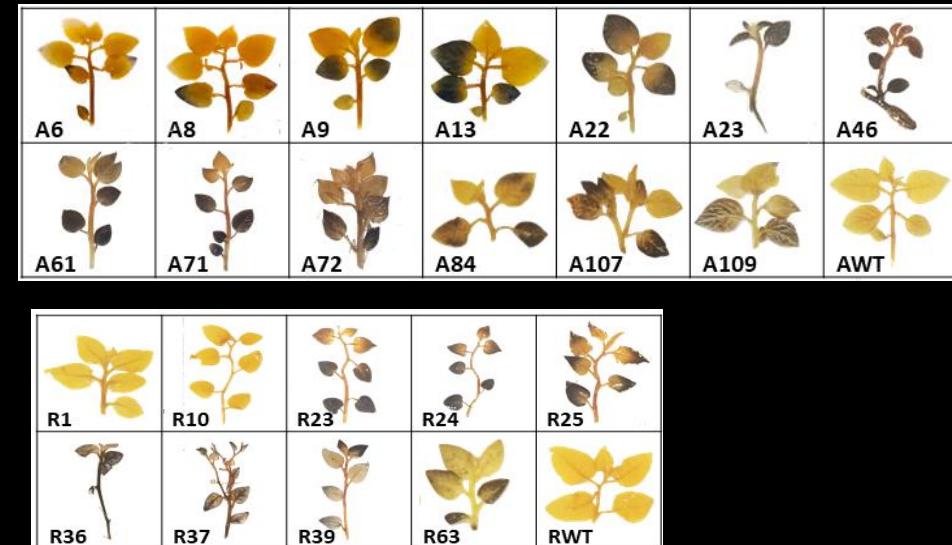
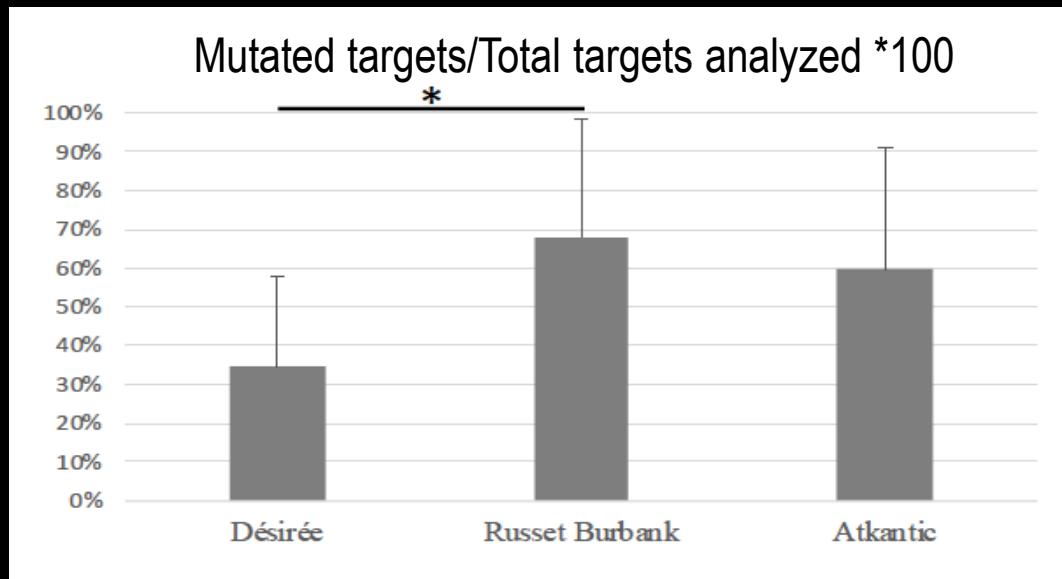


Aim: Make the screening of edited lines cheap,  
fast, easy using proven techniques.

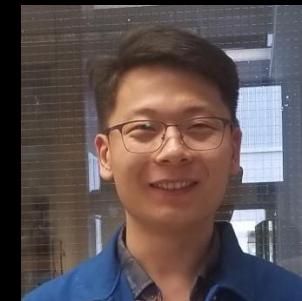
# Established Pipeline for Production of Transgene-Free Potato Altered in Starch Amount, Composition and Yield



# Iodine Staining Is A Good Indicator of Starch Genetic Lesion In Edited Lines

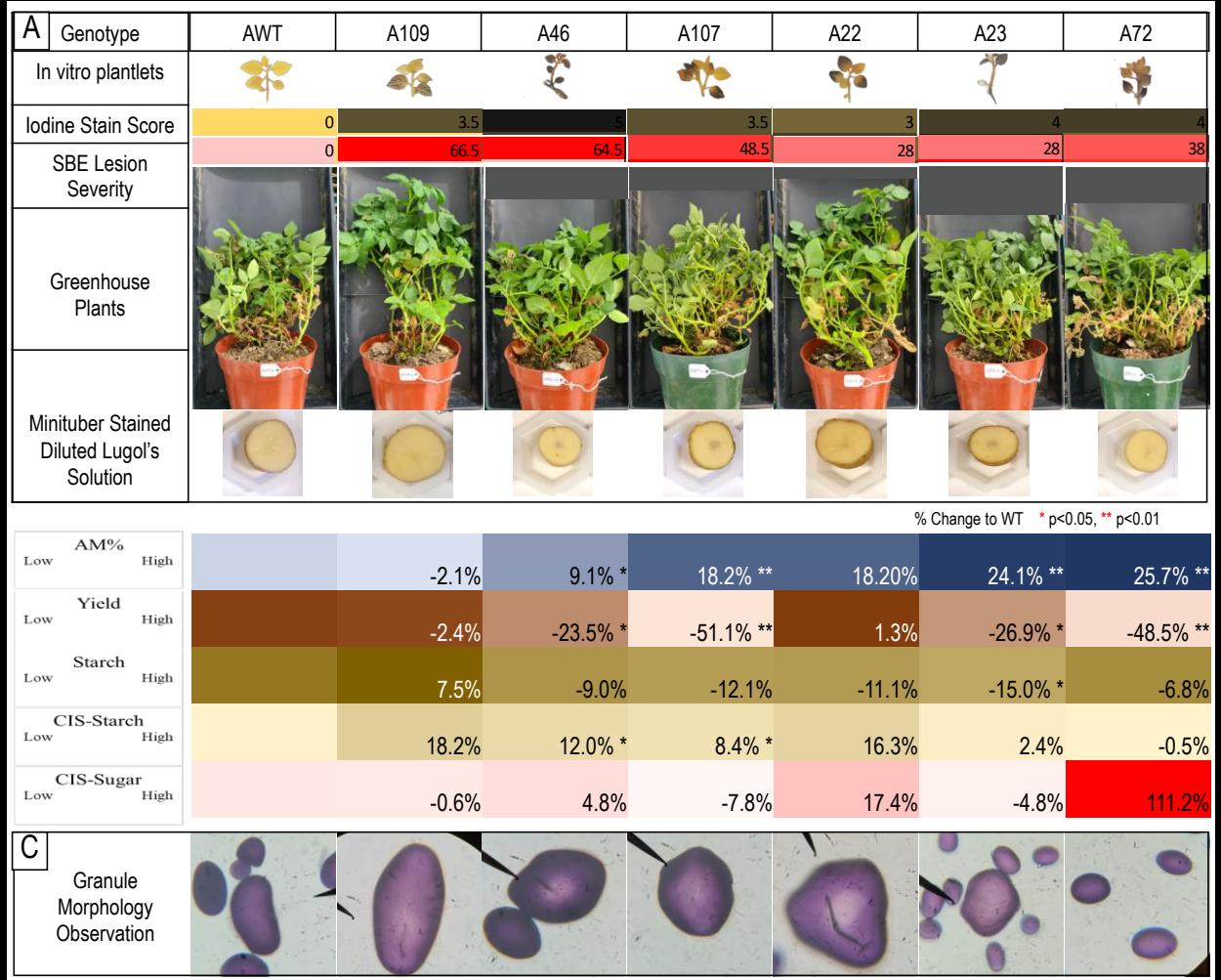


- Total of ~1400 calli were screened for DsRed
- 240 Ds-negative lines screened with iodide
- 27% iodine-positive.
- 43 iodine-positive sequenced
- 84% were edited



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# Phenotype of Greenhouse-Grown Starch Edited 'Atlantic' Lines



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Starch amount and structure may determine tomato fruit dry matter accumulation and soluble solids.

# Using CRISPR-Cas9 to Create Non-GMO Tomato Plants

## Advantages

- New germplasm:
  - ↑TSS (5-20%)
- The modification is specific.
- Non-GMO.
- Relatively easy & cheap.
- Multiple genes can be edited simultaneously.

## Disadvantages

- Public perception.
- Patent landscape murky.
- Environmental effects on the trait

## Bottom Line

The processing tomato industry in California has always been the first adopter of technologies. This has allowed California to stay competitive in this space. You can lead and drive efforts that could revolutionize agriculture.

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