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FruitFlyNet project overview

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FruitFlyNet project



- How sprayings will become easier, fewer, locally applied and more effective?
- How a less polluted and healthier environment will be created?

Compared to common spray tactics against for example some key fruit flies population how reliable is to expected to achieve:

1. An increase of the efficacy of the sprays from ground.
2. A reduction of the mean spray.
3. A reduction of the mean spray duration of the spray applications.
4. A reduction of the spraying volume.
5. A reduction in the number of insecticide applications.



FruitFlyNet: Overall Information



Title: A Location-aware System for Fruit Fly Monitoring and Pest Management Control

Code: Standard II-B/2.1/0865/ENPI CBC MED/EU

Priority 2: Promotion of environmental sustainability at the basin level.

Measure 2.1: Prevention and reduction of risk factors for the environment and enhancement of natural common heritage.

Budget: € 1.662.872,32

Programme contribution (90%): € 1.496.585,09

Project co-financing (10%): € 166.287,23

Duration: 24 months

Start Day: 31.12.2013 **End Day:** 31.12.2015

Website: fruitflynet.aua.gr **e-mail:** fruitflynet@aua.gr



FruitFlyNet: Partners



1. Beneficiary:

B/AUA: Agricultural University of Athens, Department of Agricultural Economy and Development, Informatics Laboratory, (Hellenic Republic, Attiki), EU.

2. Partnership:

- PP1/ARO: Agricultural Research Organization (Israel: Arava, Negev), non-EU.
- PP2/NCARE: National Center of Agricultural Research and Extension (Jordan: Al-Balqa), non-EU.
- PP3/CRA-FRU: Agricultural Research Council, Fruit Tree Research Centre (Italy: Lazio), EU.
- PP4/UIB: University of the Balearic Islands, Department of Biology (Spain: Baleares), EU.
- PP5/UTH: University of Thessaly, Department of Entomology and Agricultural Zoology (Hellenic Republic: Thessaly), EU.

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FruitFlyNet: Main Goal



General Objective: To contribute to the development and implementation of environmentally effective e-monitoring and ground spraying control solutions based on prototypes, technological innovations, and knowledge transfer for specific key-pests in the Mediterranean, in order to increase the quality and quantity of available fruit to local consumers at lower prices.

Indicators:

1. One prototype developed per case to increase efficacy of sprays per pilot area by the end of the project.
2. Knowledge transfer to the final beneficiaries/target groups of good practices (reduce sprayings, better applications, etc.) developed by the outputs of the project activities.



FruitFlyNet: Specific goals



- **Goal 1:** Create a control system that will harmonize management strategies for specific key-pests (*B.Olea*, *C.Capitata*, *R.Cerasi* & *B.Zonata*, *D.Cilliatus* - invasive species).
- **Goal 2:** Contribute to the development and implementation of environmentally effective e-monitoring & ground spraying control solutions, so as to increase the quality & quantity of available fruit to local consumers at lower prices.
- **Innovation:** Development, implementation, test and demonstration of an innovative, integrated, Location Aware System (LAS) for fruit fly e-monitoring and ground spraying control based on a Real –time Trapping & Insect Counting (ReTIC) system that can rationalize the use of insecticides.
- **Geospatial data delivery:** Implementation of four fruit fly operational pilots (*OliveFlyNet*, *MedFlyNet*, *CherryFlyNet*, *InvasiveFlyNet*) in five Med countries to demonstrate the advantages of LAS compared with conventional methods.



FruitFlyNet: Interesting Parties



- **Target Groups**

- Farmers, growers, landowners.
- SMEs, Cooperative Unions.
- Citizens.
- Local communities living near spraying areas.
- Phytosanitary inspectors.
- Spraying operators.

- **Final Beneficiaries**

- Pest-control operational industry.
- National and/or International organizations dealing with the supervision of Tephritid control and their geographic expansion.
- Agricultural, Environmental Protection, UN Food, UN FAO, IAEA Institutes and/or Organizations.



FruitFlyNet: Objectives



Specific Objective: To develop, implement, test, and demonstrate an innovative, integrated, Location Aware System (LAS) for fruit fly ground spraying control, by means of four (4) pilot prototypes in five (5) Med-countries aimed at developing prototypes, technological innovations and knowledge transfer.

Pilot Prototype	Fruit fly key insect	Country - Region	Partner
OliveFlyNet	<i>Bactrocera oleae</i>	Spain (Balearic Islands)	PP4 (BIU)
		Jordan (Al-Balqa)	PP2 (NCARE)
CherryFlyNet	<i>Rhagoletis cerasi</i>	Hellenic Republic (Thessaly - Agia)	PP5 (UTH)
MedFlyNet	<i>C. capitata</i>	Italy (Lazio)	PP3 (CRA-FRU)
InvasiveFlyNet	<i>Bactrocera zonata</i> <i>Dacus cilliatu</i> s	Israel (Arava, Nagev)	PP1 (ARO)
Test site	<i>Bactrocera oleae</i>	Hellenic Republic (Attiki)	B (AUA)



FruitFlyNet: Background info



- Experimental design per pilot site.

MedFly Pilot Site (PP3, Italy)	CherryFly Pilot Site (PP5, Hellenic Republic)	InvasiveFly Pilot Site (PP1, Israel)	
<p># of Blocks: 3 # Plots/Block: 3 (LAS, No LAS, Control) Plot size: 3 ha Orchard: Peaches trees Area: Rome, Lazio, IT <i>Ceratitis Capitata</i></p>	<p># Blocks: 4 # Plots/Block: 3 (LAS, No LAS, Control) Plot size: 0,5 - 1 ha Orchard: Cherry trees Περιοχή: Agia, Thessaly, Hellenic Republic <i>Rhagoletis Cerasi</i></p>	<p># Blocks: # Plots/Block: Plot size: 0.75 ha Home gardens. Region: Nagev , IL <i>Bactrocera zonata</i></p>	<p># Blocks: # Plots/Block: Plot size: 0.75 ha Tunnel: Melons, peppers, cucumbers, etc. Region: Avara, IL <i>Dacus ciliatus</i></p>
OliveFly Test Site (B, Hellenic Republic)	OliveFly Pilot Site		
	(PP4, Spain)	(PP2, Jordan)	
<p># Blocks: 1 # Plots/Block: 3 (LAS, No LAS, Control) Plot size: 1 ha Orchard: Olive trees Region: Koropi, Attiki, Hellenic Republic <i>Bactrocera Oleae</i></p>	<p># Blocks: 3 # Plots/Block: 3 (LAS, No LAS, 1 Control) Plot size: 1 ha Orchard: Olive trees Περιοχή: Palma, Mallorca, SP <i>Bactrocera Oleae</i></p>	<p># Blocks: 2 # Plots/Block: 2 (LAS, No LAS, Control) Plot size: 2 ha Orchard: Olive trees Area: Amman, Jordan <i>Bactrocera Oleae</i></p>	

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FruitFlyNet: Achievements



1. Achievement:

An operational pilot in each one of the five (5) Med-countries.
Prototyping *FruitFlyNet* solutions in representative application scenarios applied for four key-pests (21-month).

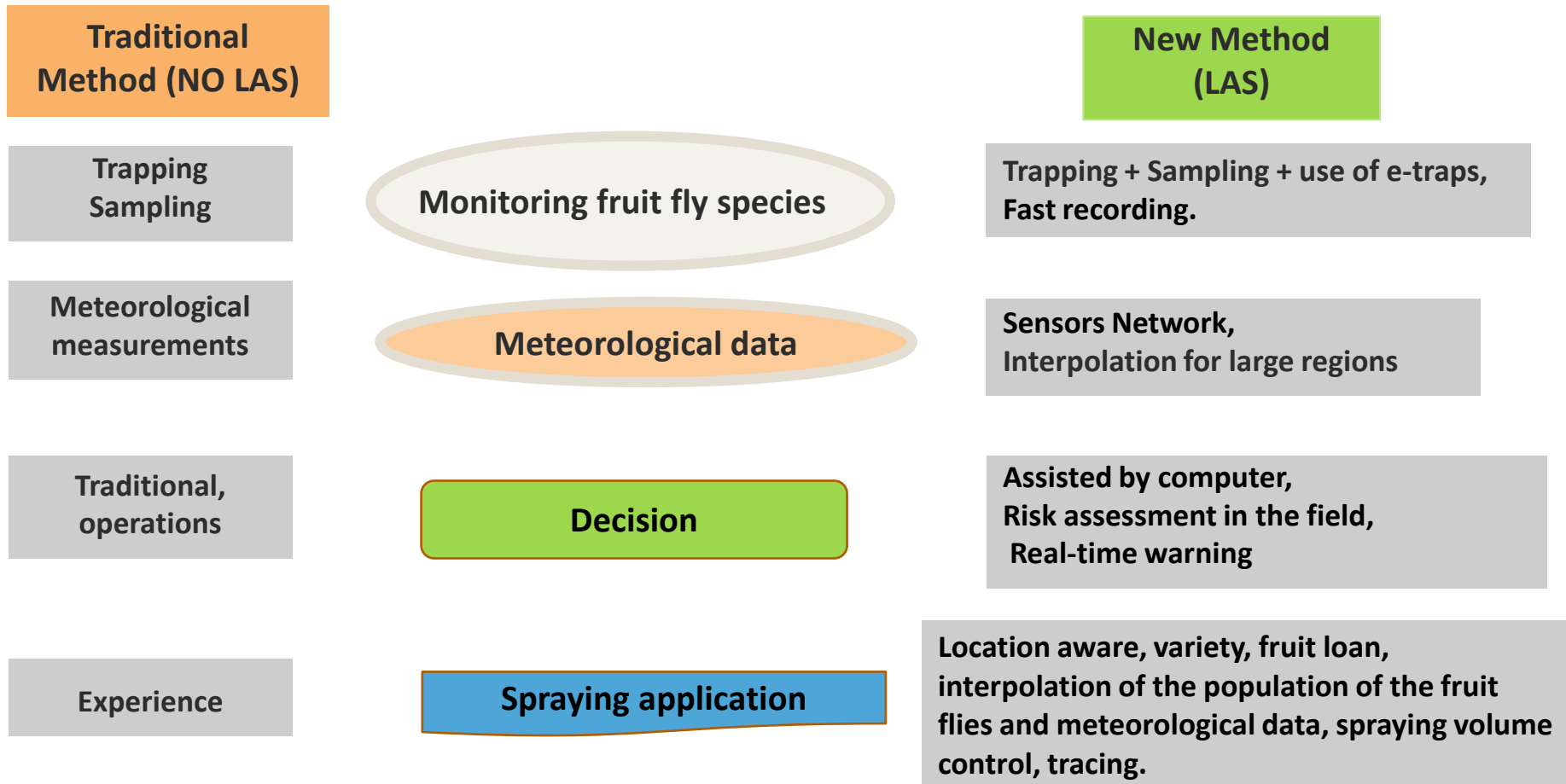
Indicator:

- Four fruit fly operational pilots:
 - *OliveFlyNet*,
 - *MedFlyNet*,
 - *CherryFlyNet*,
 - *InvasiveFlyNet*in five Med countries and one test site.
- Five (5) WMSNs deployed in five (5) pilot regions plus a reference model.



FruitFlyNet: Achievements

Comparison between standard (NO LAS) and the new (LAS: Location Aware System) method



FruitFlyNet: Achievements



- Experimental Design: Reference model.



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m

Traps
Type



Normal trap



Trap with camera

Test site: AUA

- Same plot size/shape
- Same number of trees
- Buffer zone determination
- Plot Orientation
- Single Variety (Manaki)
- Uniformity Cultivation (age, height, fertilization, irrigation, etc.)
- Interpolation requirements
- Same number per plot.
- In LAS plot:
 - McPhail with direct recording.
 - Validate ReTIC.
- Sensors: T: Temperature, RH: Relative Humidity, W: Wind speed, P: Precipitation, F: Fluid level.
- Data for decisions “when” and “how” to spray.

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FruitFlyNet: Achievements



- Experimental Design – *OliveFlyNet*: Olive Trees - *Bactrocera Oleae*



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Block 1

Plot 1: LAS 194 trees
Plot 4: No LAS 198 trees

Block 2

Plot 2: LAS 196 trees
Plot 5: No LAS 197 trees

Block 3

Plot 3: LAS 192 trees
Plot 4: No LAS 162 trees

Control

Plot 7: 24 trees



150

Meters

Experimental Design: *OliveFlyNet*

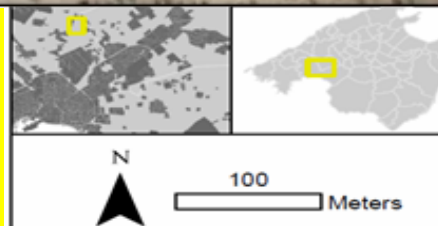
Pilot site: Mallorca, SPAIN

Blocks: 3 (17,8 ha, 3304 trees),

Plots/Block (**LAS**, **NO LAS**): 1 ha + CONTROL

Production: Olive trees

Fruit Fly Species: *Bactrocera Oleae*



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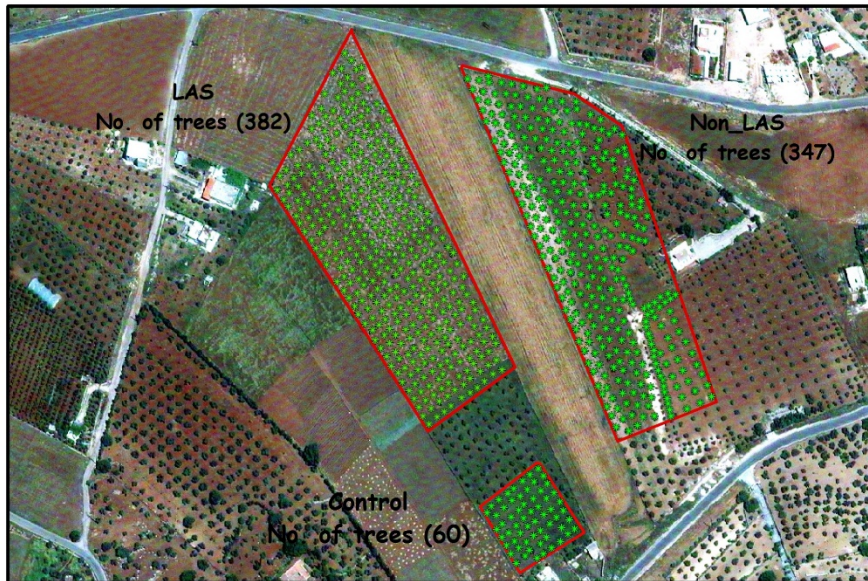


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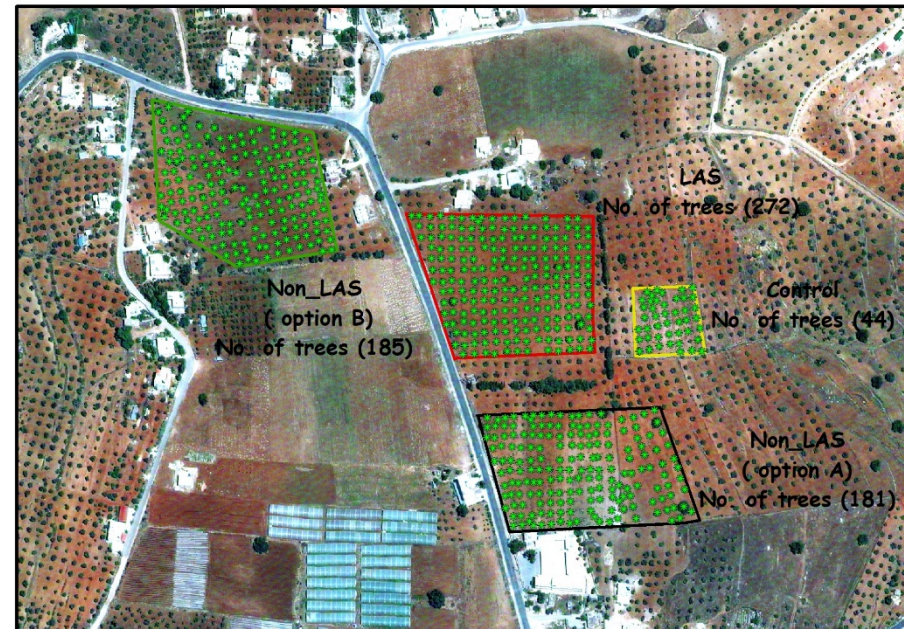
- Experimental Design – OliveFlyNet: Olive Trees - *Bactrocera Oleae*

Block 1



prepared by :GIS unit_NCARE,2014

Block 2



prepared by :GIS unit_NCARE,2014

Experimental Design: *OliveFlyNet*
Pilot site: Al-Balqa, Jordan
Blocks: 2 (ha, 940 trees),
Plots/Block (LAS, NO LAS): 2 ha + Control
Production: Olive trees
Fruit Fly Species: *Bactrocera Oleae*

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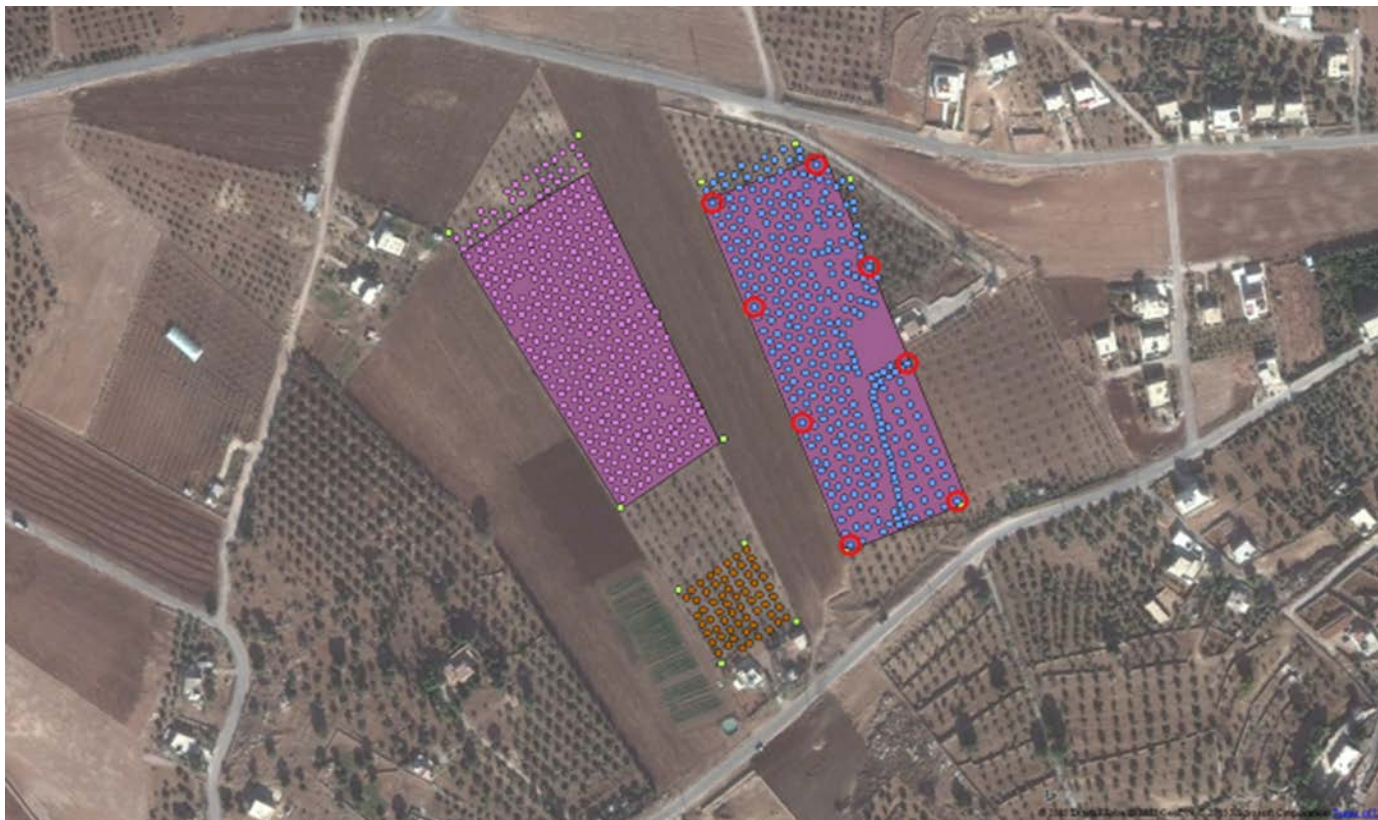
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- Experimental Design – *OliveFlyNet*: Olive Trees - *Bactrocera Oleae*



Experimental Design: *OliveFlyNet*
Pilot site: Al-Balqa, Jordan
Plots/Block (LAS, NO LAS): 2 ha
Plot 1: LAS 382 trees
Plot 2: No LAS 347 trees
Control: 60 trees
Production: Olive trees
Fruit Fly Species: *Bactrocera oleae*

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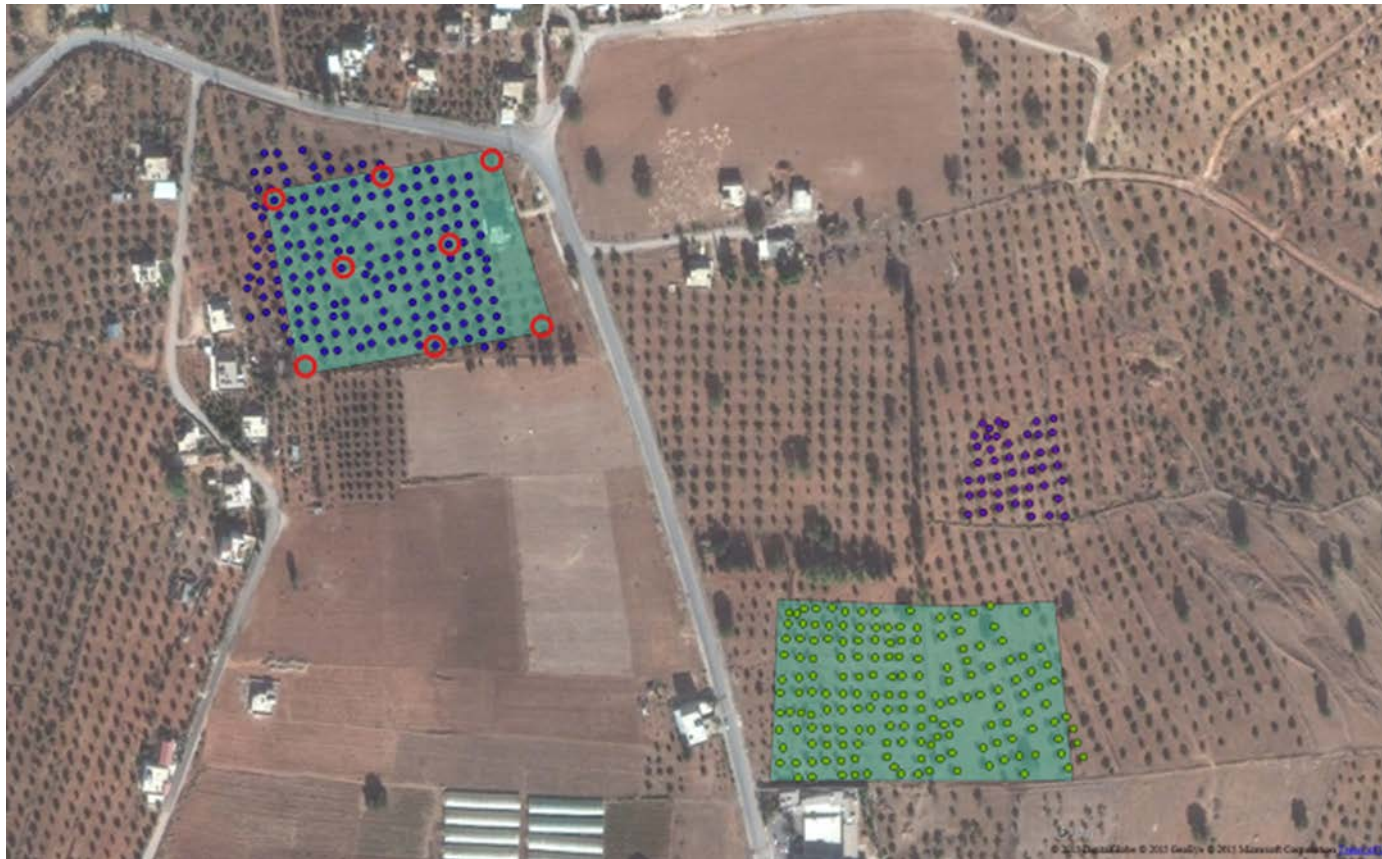


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FruitFlyNet: Achievements

- Experimental Design – *OliveFlyNet*: Olive Trees - *Bactrocera Oleae*



Experimental Design: *OliveFlyNet*
Pilot site: Al-Balqa, Jordan
Plots/Block (LAS, NO LAS): 2 ha
Plot 1: LAS 162 trees
Plot 2: No LAS 161 trees
Control: 44 trees
Production: Olive trees
Fruit Fly Species: *Bactrocera oleae*

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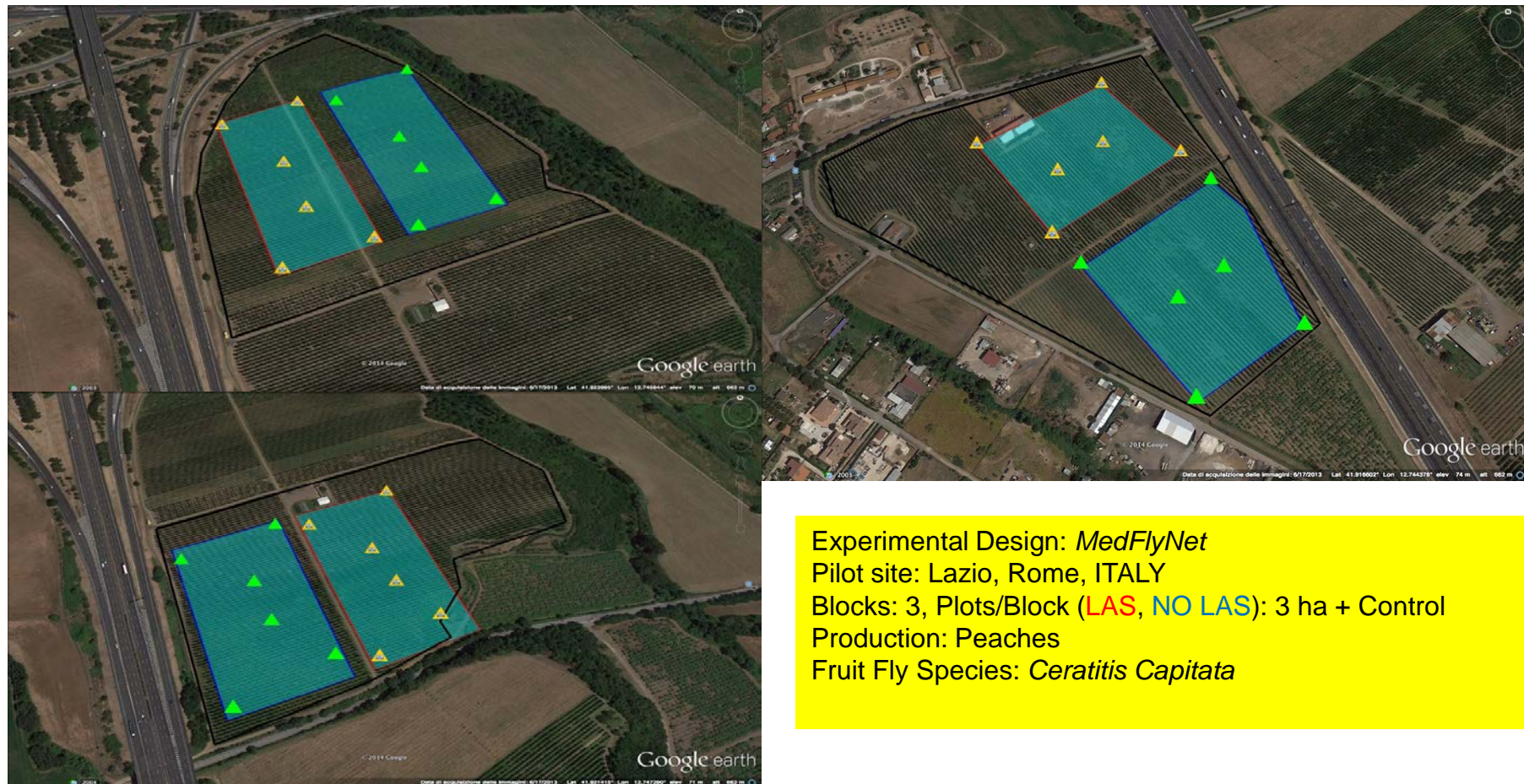
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FruitFlyNet: Achievements



- Experimental Design – *MedFlyNet*: Peaches Trees – *Med fly*



Experimental Design: *MedFlyNet*
Pilot site: Lazio, Rome, ITALY
Blocks: 3, Plots/Block (LAS, NO LAS): 3 ha + Control
Production: Peaches
Fruit Fly Species: *Ceratitis Capitata*

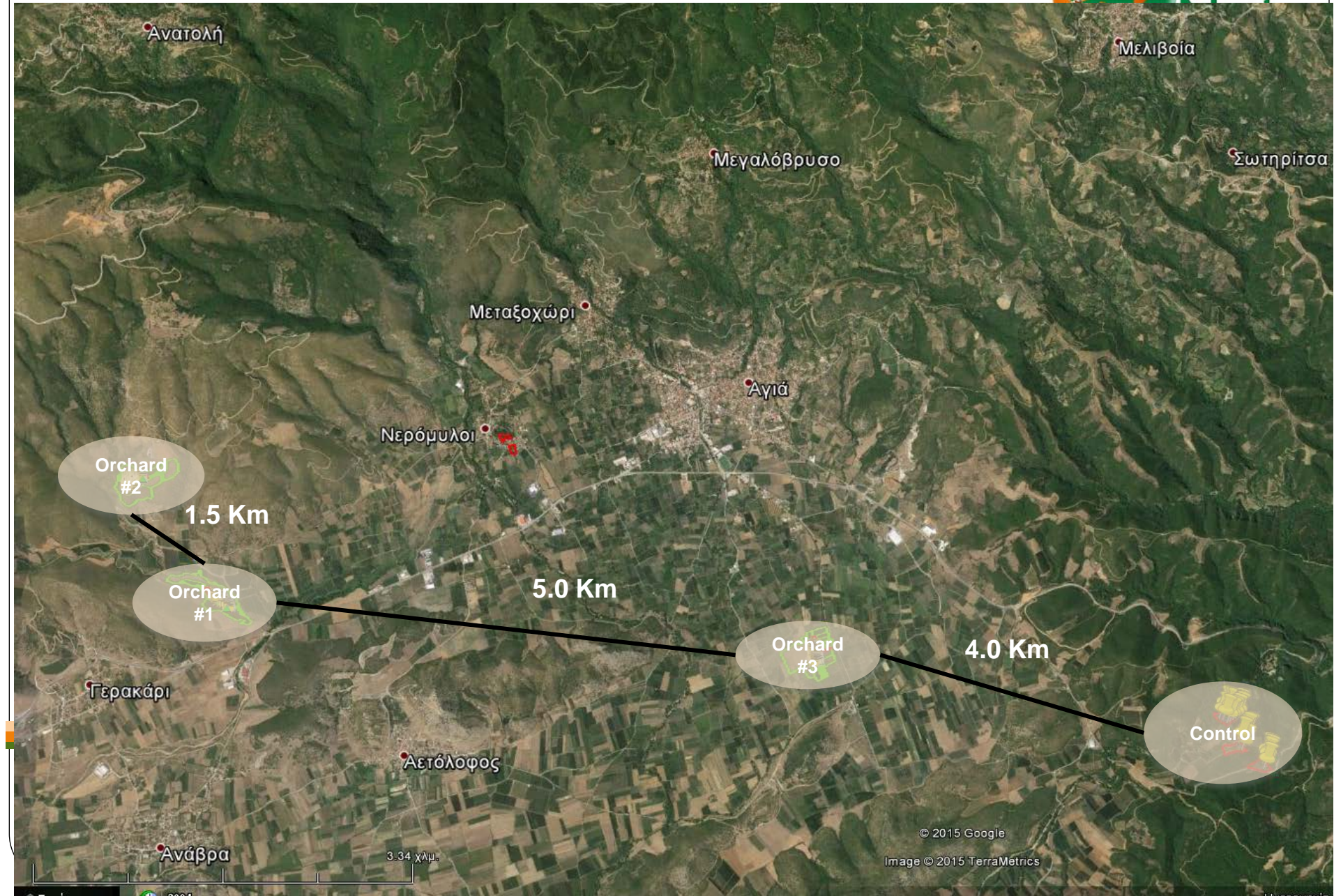
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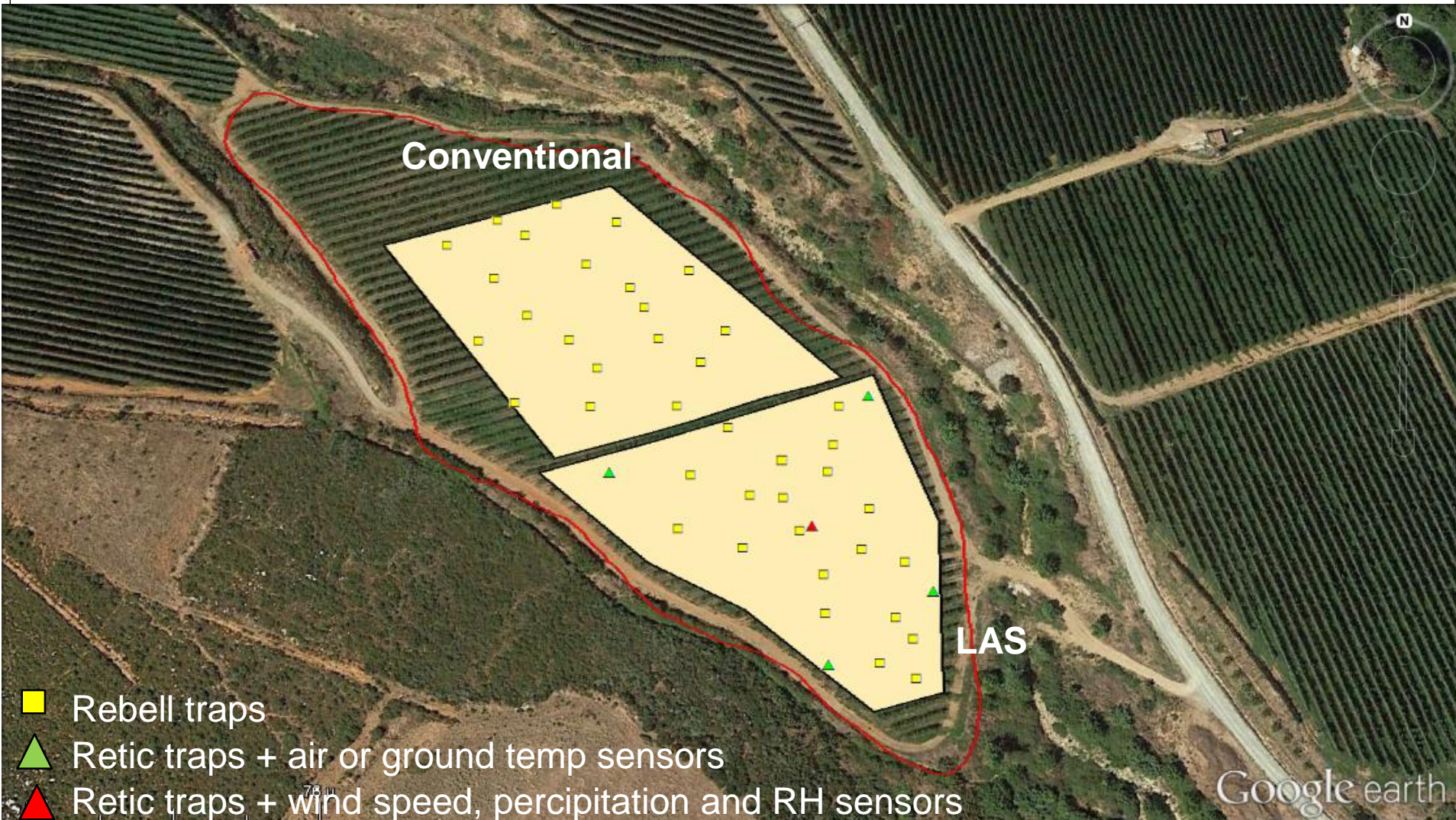
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Area of Agia (Thessaly)



Orchard #1 LAS and conventional plots

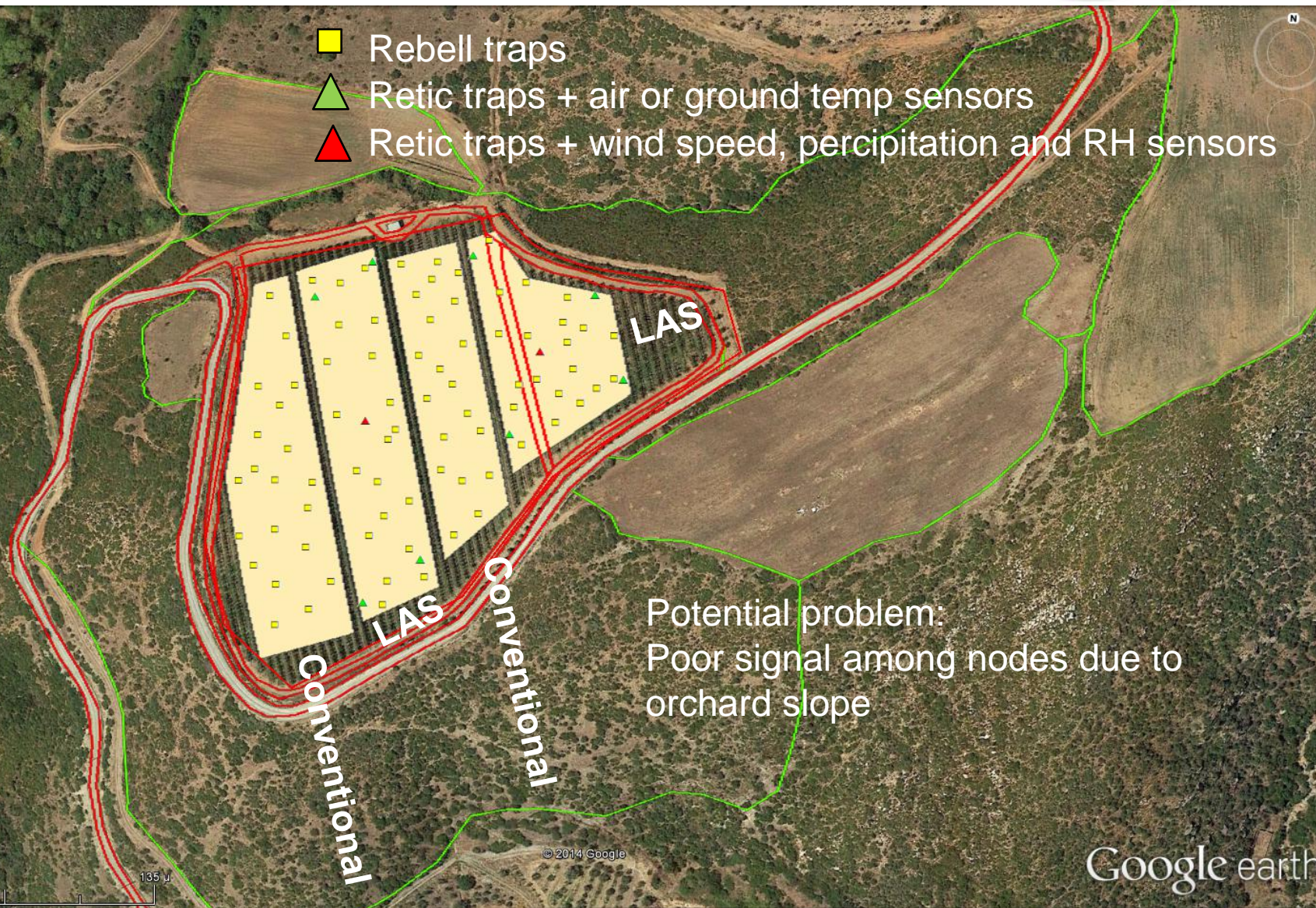


Google earth

Orchard #2 LAS and conventional plots

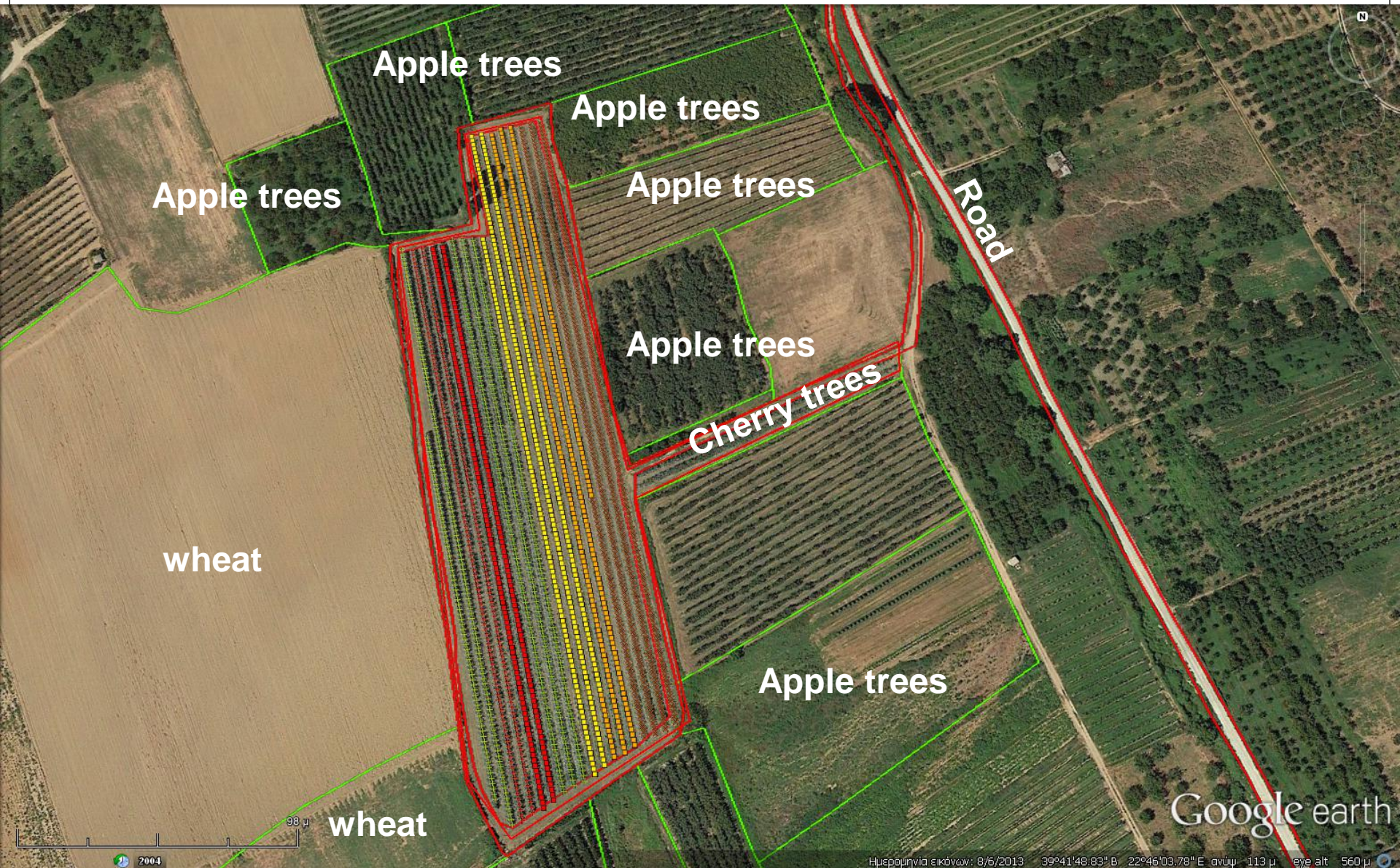


- Rebell traps
- ▲ Retic traps + air or ground temp sensors
- ▲ Retic traps + wind speed, percipitation and RH sensors



Potential problem:
Poor signal among nodes due to
orchard slope

Orchard #3 – Land uses and roads



FruitFlyNet: Achievements



- 1. Achievement:** An operational pilot in each one of the five (5) Med-countries. Prototyping *FruitFlyNet* solutions in representative application scenarios applied for four key-pests (21-month).

Indicator: Five (5) WMSNs deployed in five (5) pilot regions.
- 2. Achievement:** A semi-automatic, early identification system development based on a distributed imaging sensor network that is able to acquire and transmit images of the trapping area to a remote host station.

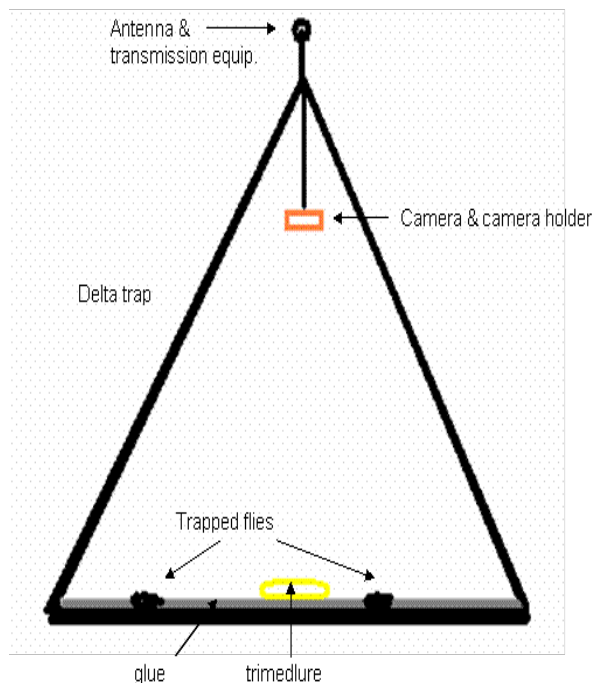
Indicator: Number of visually identified invasive and/or nuisance species per trap and per study area.
- 3. Achievement:** An e-monitoring trap system, integrated with:

 - A distributed imaging sensors network able to visually discriminate insect species or typology.
 - A Real-time Trapping and Insect Counting (ReTIC) module able to estimate insect populations, as well as, to support countering measures selection and alarm spraying levels

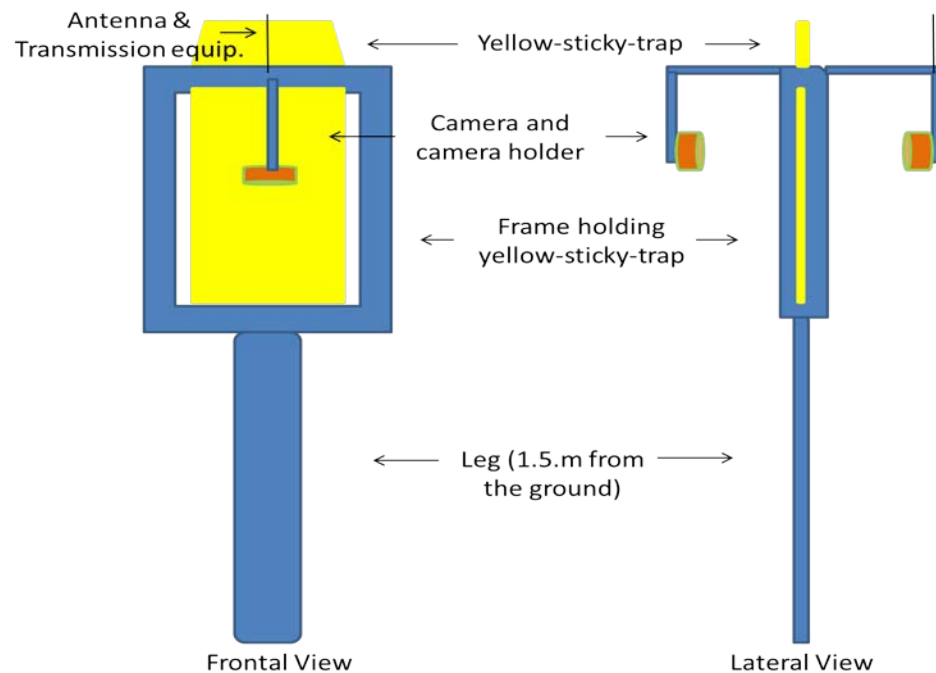
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FruitFlyNet Solutions – RETIC

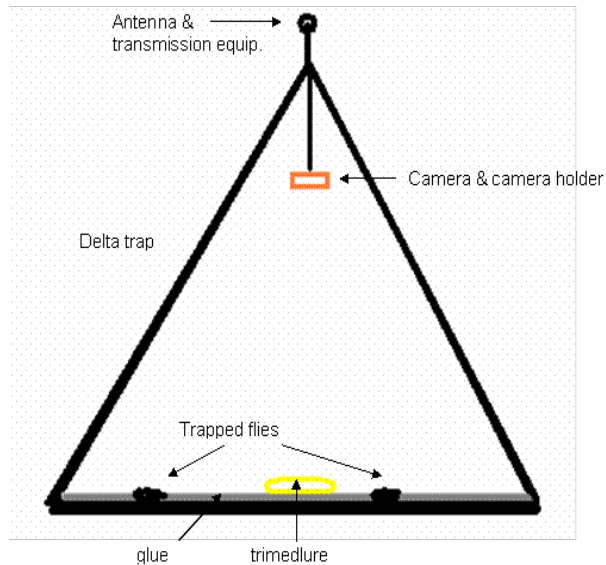


Modified Delta e-trap



Yellow sticky e-trap

FruitFlyNet: Achievements – e-traps



ReTIC: Real-time Trapping and Insect Counting
Modified Delta e-trap
The case of *Cerasi capitata* (Medfly).



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FruitFlyNet: Achievements



- Experimental Design – *InvasiveFlyNet*: Melons, Cucumbers, Peppers, etc.

Dacus ciliatus



Pilot site: Ein Yahav South (Arava, IL, near the borders with Jordan)
Plots: Tunnels
Production: Melons, cucumbers, peppers, etc.
Fruit Fly Species: *Dacus ciliatus*

Bactrocera zonata



Pilot site: Nitzana Region (Negev IL, near the borders with Egypt)
Plots: NO (Home gardens)
Production: Melons, cucumbers, peppers, etc.
Fruit Fly Species: *Bactrocera zonata*

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FruitFlyNet: Achievements



- Experimental Design – *InvasiveFlyNet*: Melons, Cucumbers, Peppers, etc.



Pilot site: Ein Yahav South (Arava, IL, near the borders with Jordan)
Plots: Tunnels
Production: Melons, cucumbers, peppers, etc.
Fruit Fly Species: *Dacus cilliatu*s

Pilot site: Nitzana Region (Negev IL, near the borders with Egypt)
Plots: NO (Home gardens)
Production: Melons, cucumbers, peppers, etc.
Fruit Fly Species: *Bactrocera zonata*

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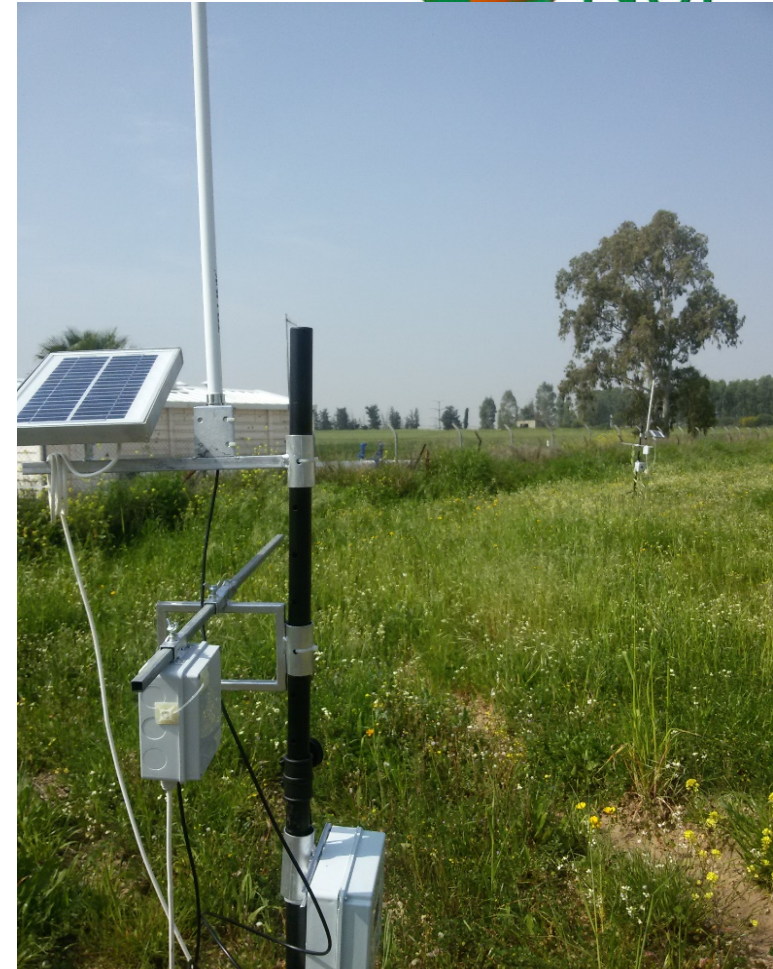
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FruitFlyNet: Achievements - e-traps



ReTIC: Real-time Trapping and Insect Counting
The cases of *Rhagoletis* (Cherry fly) and *D.Ciliatus* (testing), and *B.Zonata* (testing)



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ReTIC: Real-time Trapping and Insect Counting
The case *Bactrocera Oleae* (testing).

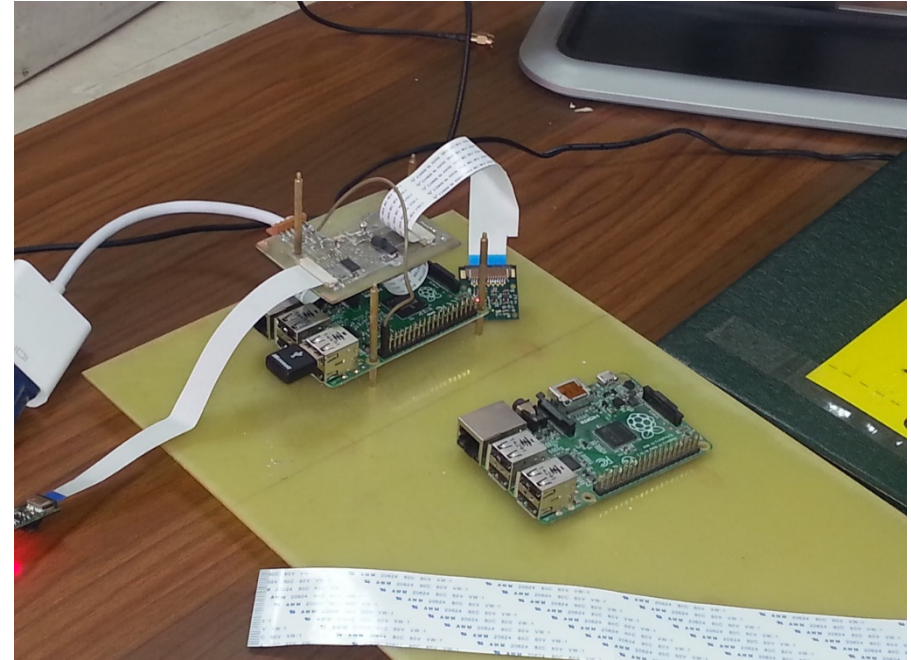
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ReTIC: Real-time Trapping and Insect Counting

NCARE team with a multiplexer system giving the Pi two different FOVs of the trap and a board connected to the GPIO header. However, there is a constrain to install the two cameras in a small distance of around 30cm due to cable length limitations. Instead we may use a separate Pi to each camera. Which would also have the advantage of being able to space them at any desired distance, using Wi-Fi or Ethernet.

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FruitFlyNet: Achievements - e-traps



ReTIC: Real-time Trapping and Insect Counting

AUA team with a 2-Pi system giving two different FOVs of the trap. The advantage is of being able to space them at any desired distance.

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ReTIC: Real-time Trapping and Insect Counting

AUA team with a 2-Pi system and a Control Unit automatically transfer scalar data and images to the geospatial database. The advantage is of being able to save energy by setting the Pi's in a sleep mode whenever .

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FruitFlyNet: Achievements - Kriging



4. **Achievement:** Development of risk maps based on the number of captured insects as well as on their distribution in order to determine the spraying levels:

Indicators: As the cases will be, estimations will be obtained, with and/or without the use of LAS, **by month (22)** selecting some of the following indicators, depending on the fruit fly species and country:

- a. The number of buffer zones.
- b. The area affected by the applications.
- c. The areas to be sprayed.
- d. The number of applications needed per study area.
- e. The areas that have been sprayed by each tractor and in total.
- f. The number of tress that have been sprayed, by each tractor and in total.
- g. The duration and timing of each application by each tractor and in total.
- h. The insecticide volume applied.
- i. The amount of pesticide used.
- j. Fruit Fly Infestation levels (Infestation risk) with and without LAS.
- k. The number of captured fruit flies by the ReTIC/LAS trapping devices, per fly and per trap.
- l. The tractor's optimum path for each spraying area.
- m. The fuel consumption index
- n. The water consumption for sprayings
- o. Statistics acquired from the agro-meteorological stations.

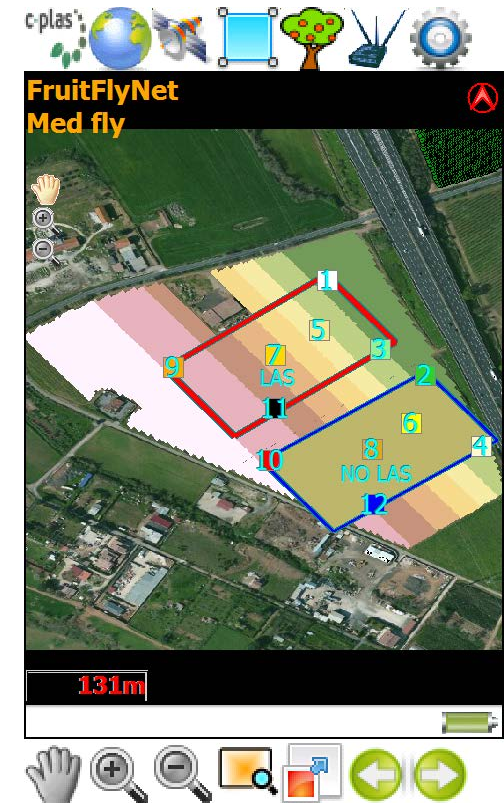
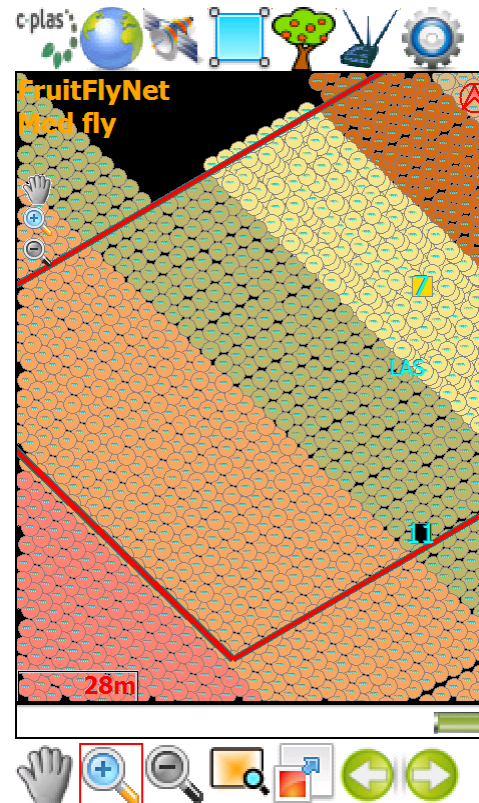
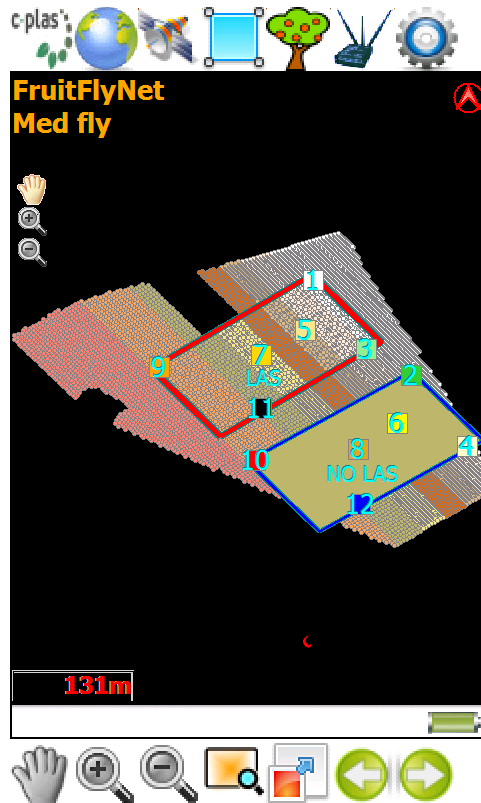


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Mobile GIS presentation: The case of MedFly



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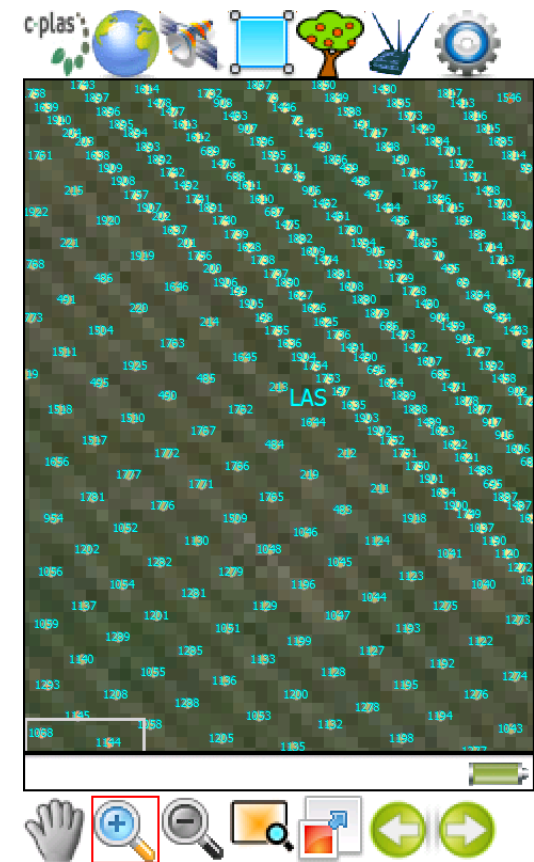
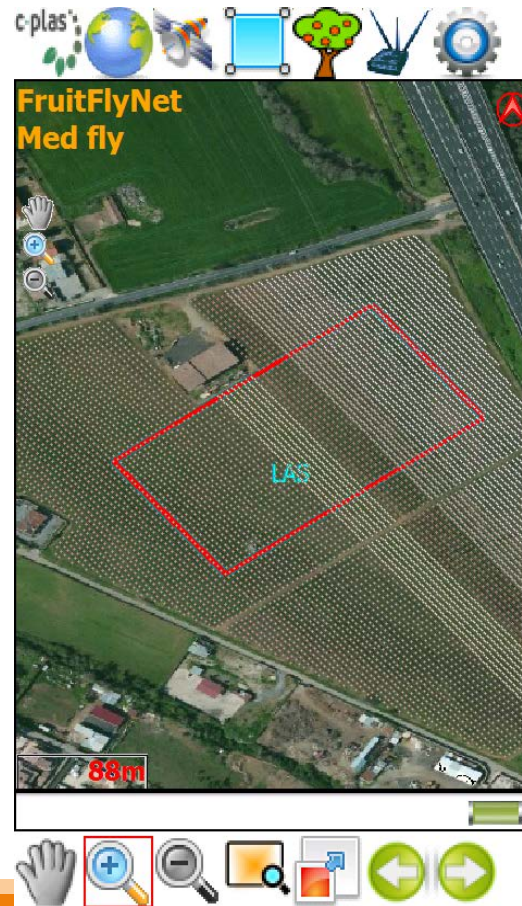
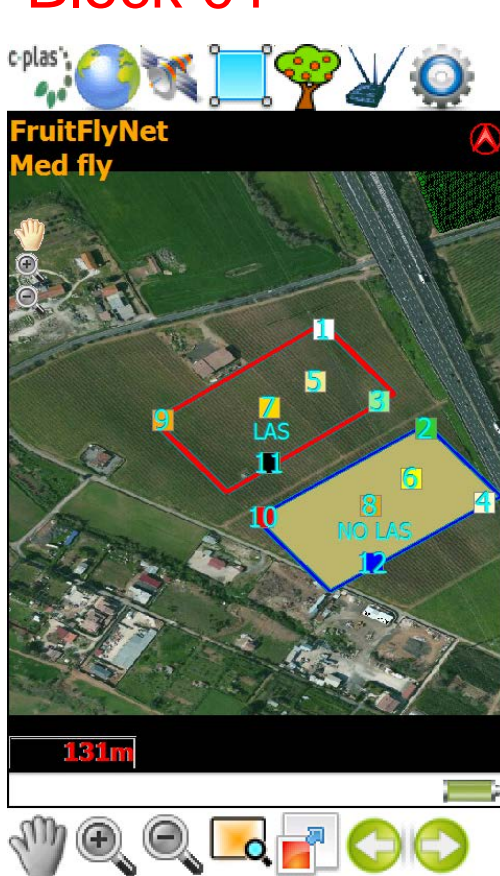


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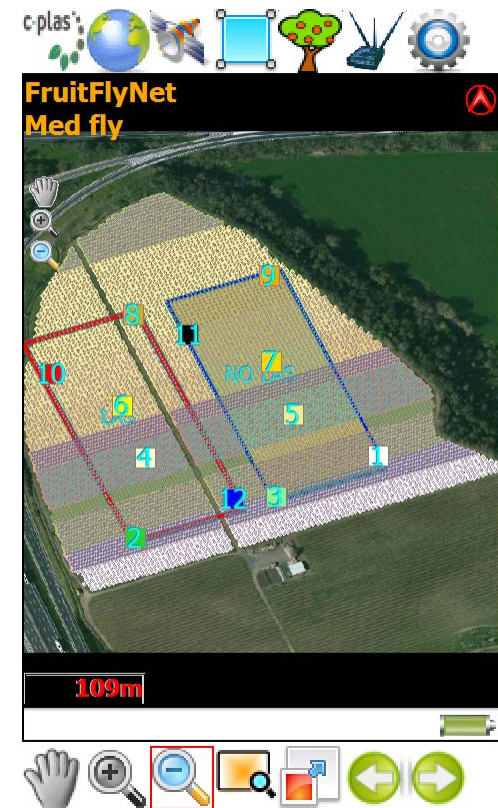
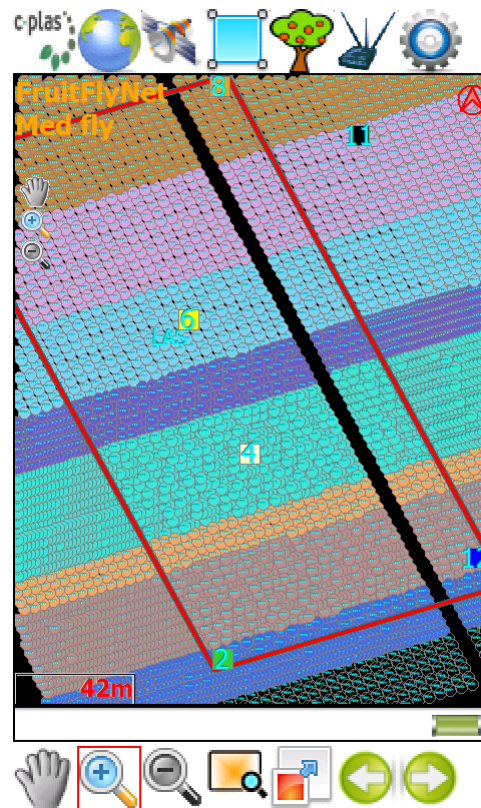
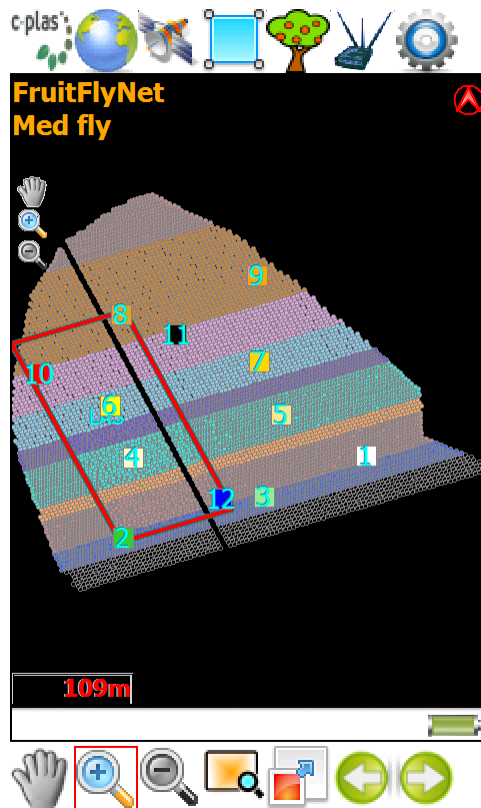


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Mobile GIS presentation: The case of MedFly



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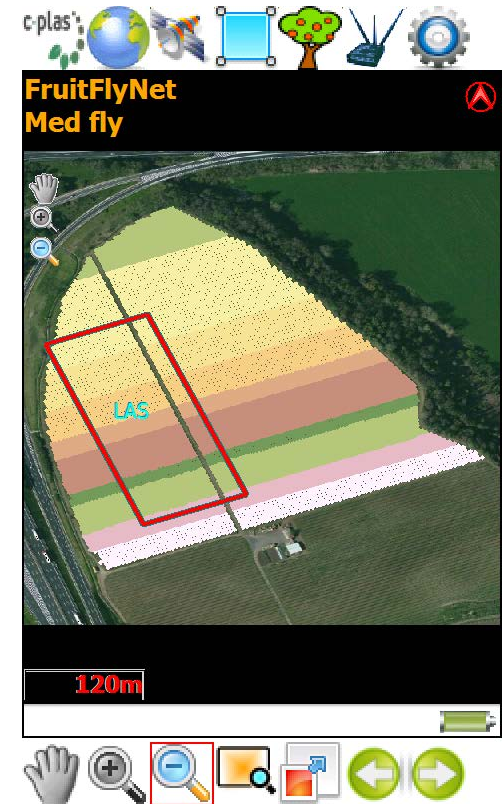
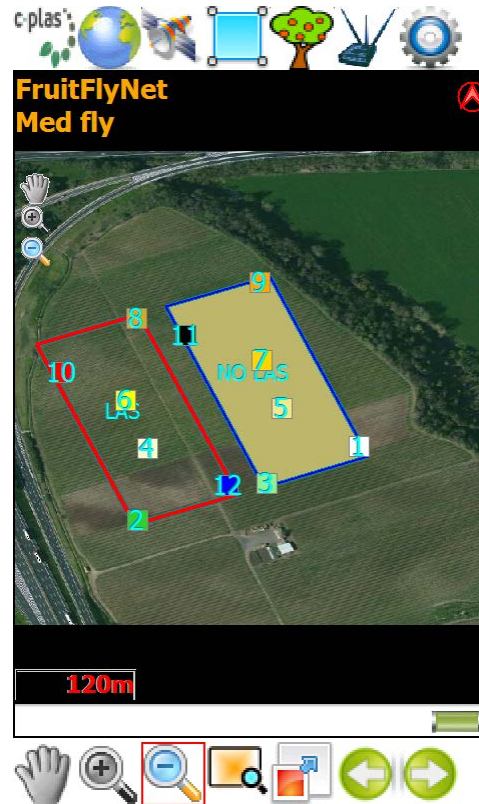
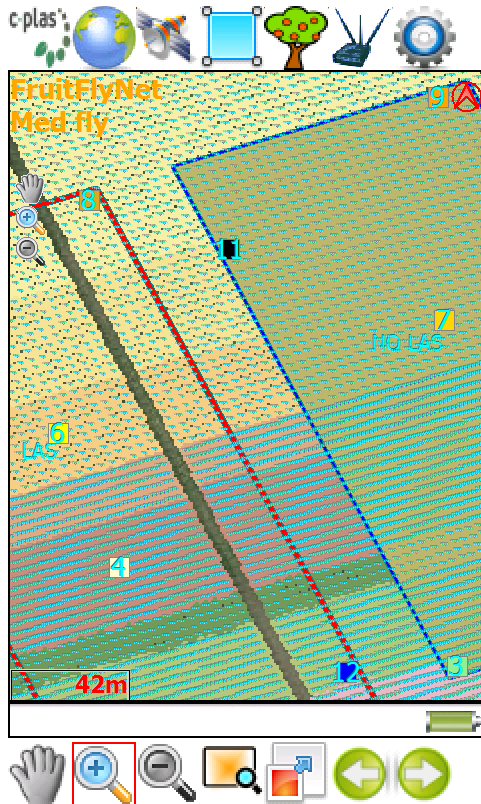


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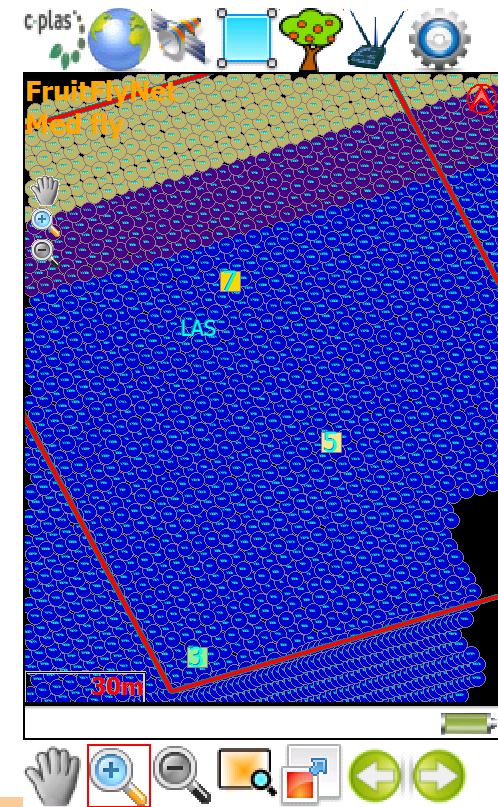
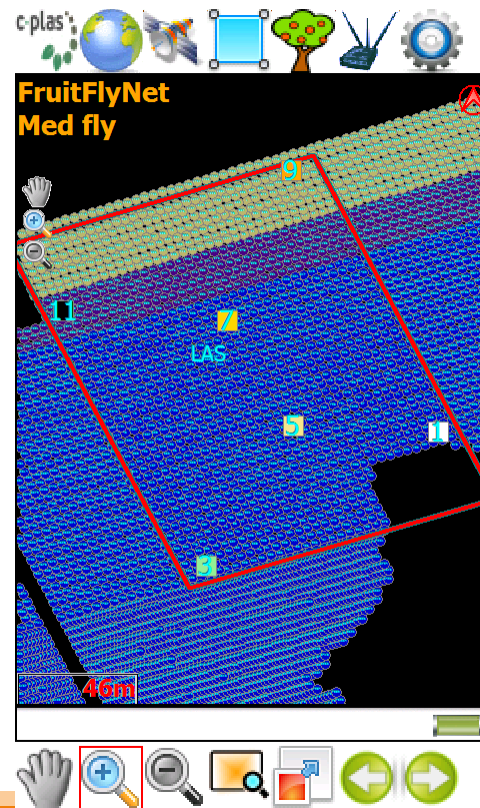
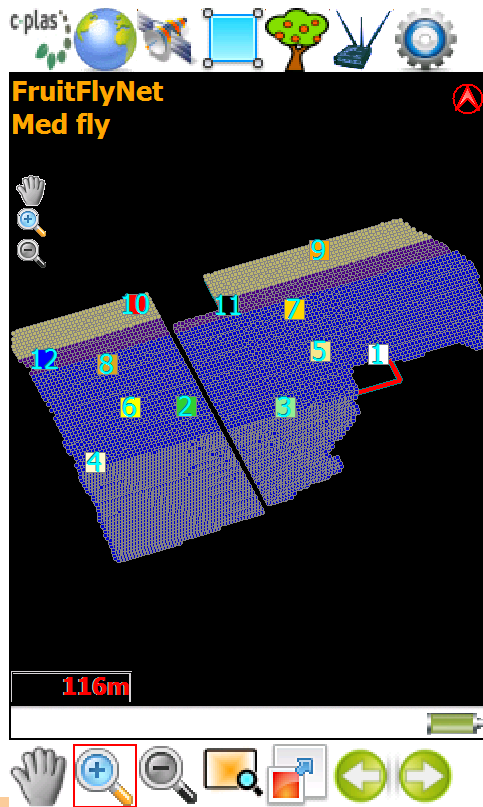


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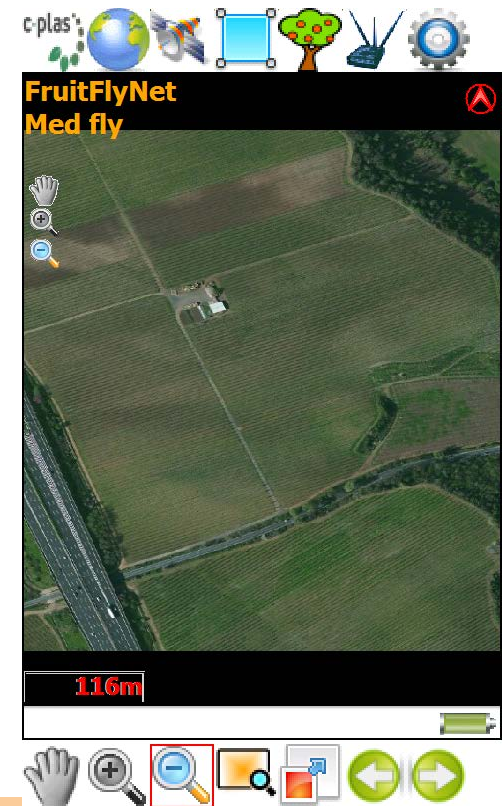
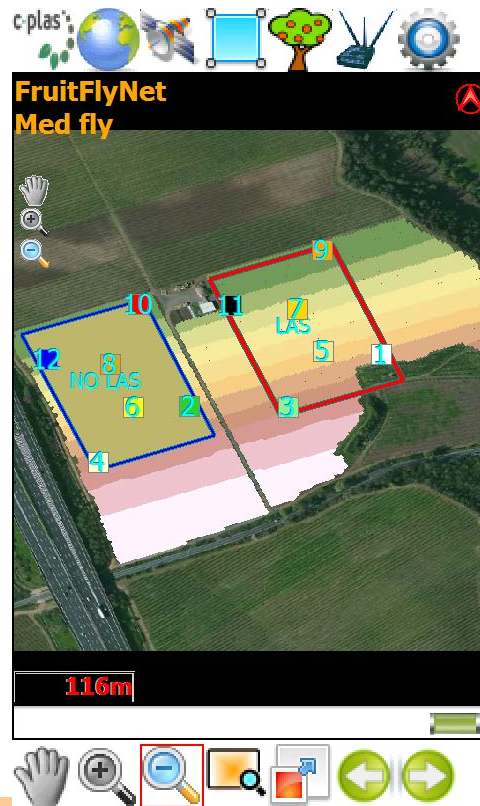
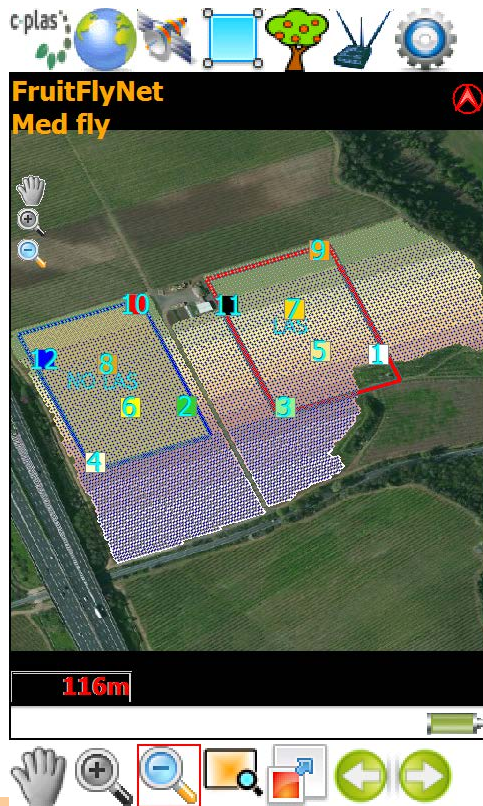


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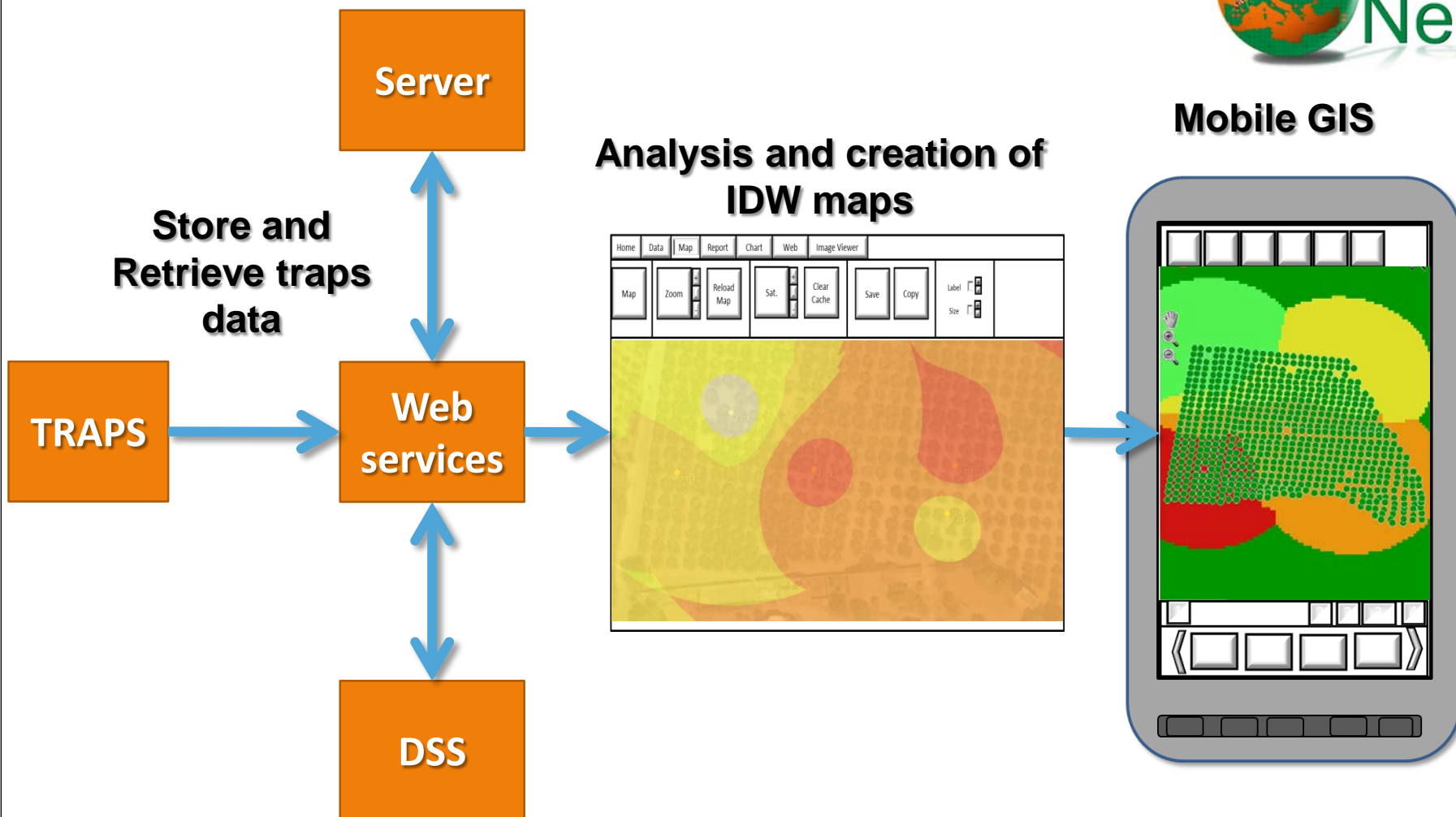
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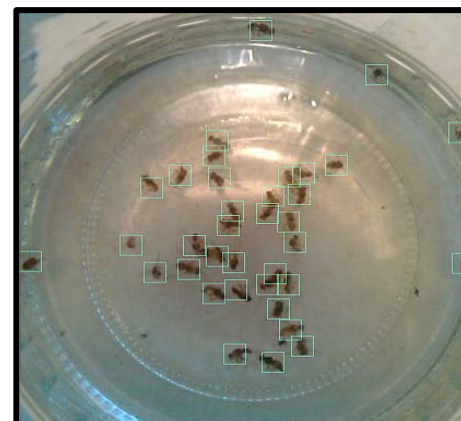
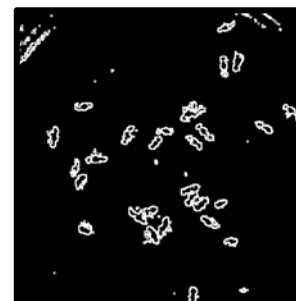
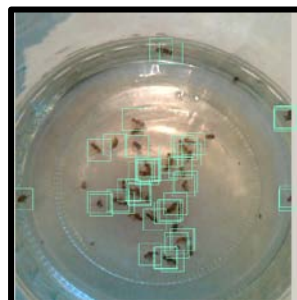
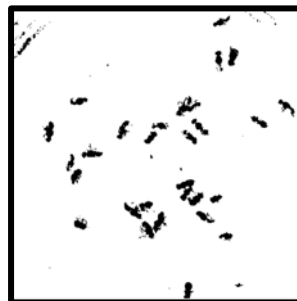
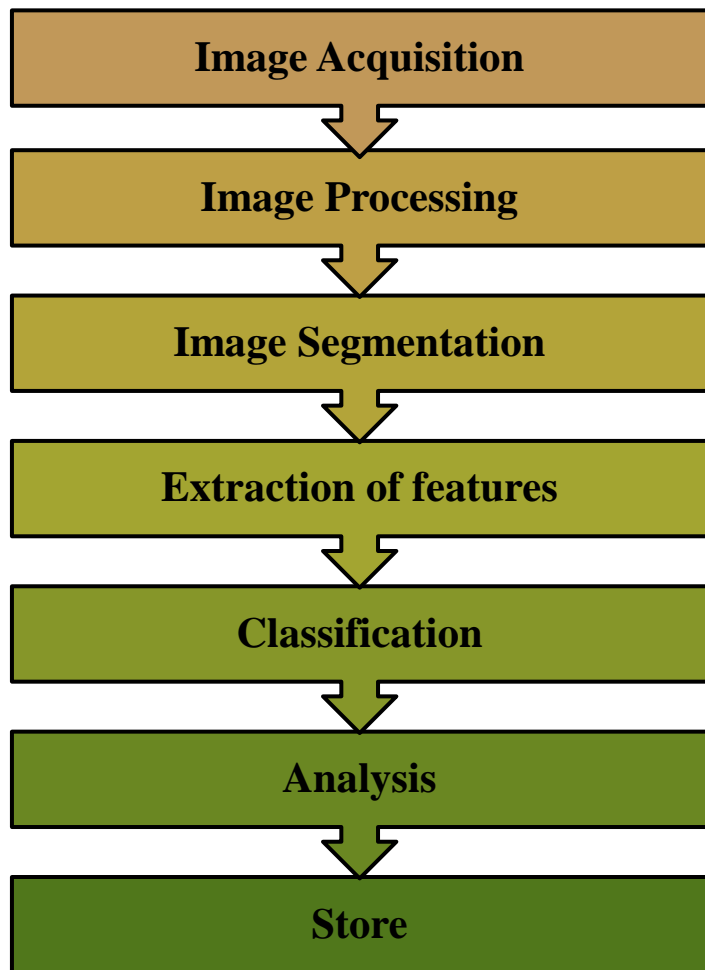


FruitFlyNet: Achievements – Spraying process



FruitFlyNet: Achievements – Image analysis

Automatic Counting

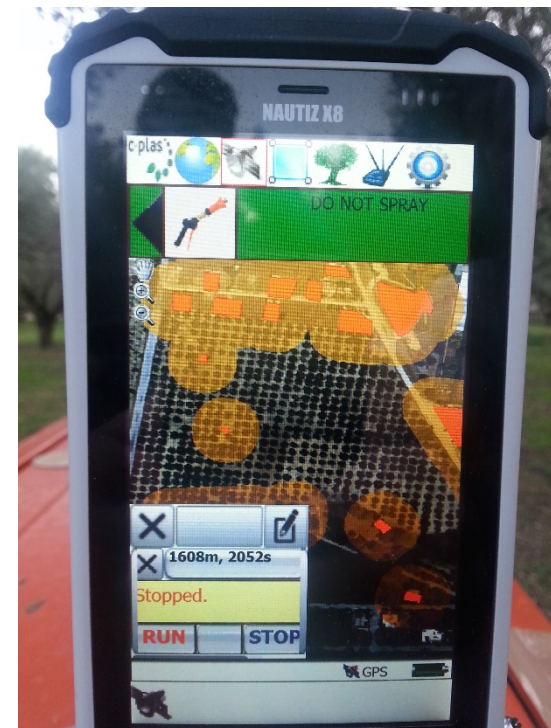
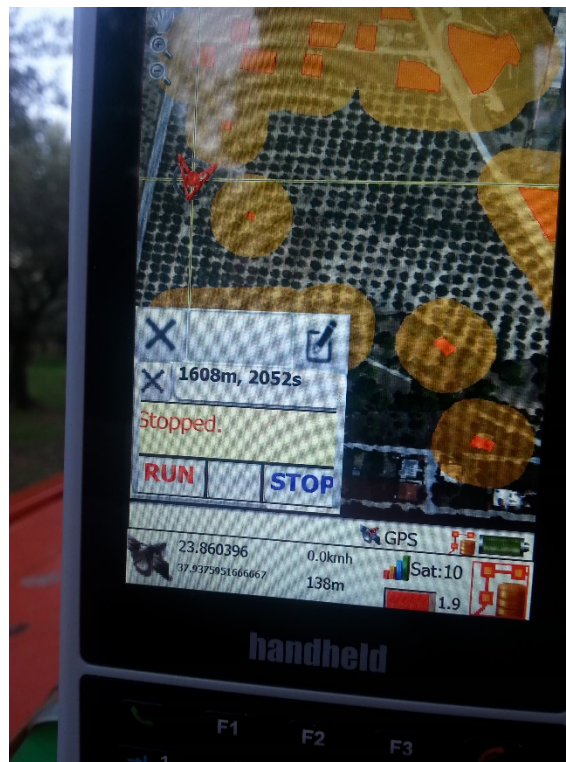


FruitFlyNet: Achievements – Spraying process



Decision Support Systems:

- When
- Where
- How



FruitFlyNet: Project Indicators



5. **Achievement:** Conventional learning spraying application practices: **Indicators:**

1. At least one (1) workshop/seminar per country (7 in total - see WP2)
 - 3 in EU Med-countries and
 - 4 in non-EU Med-countries,
 - to cover all target groups (trainee category), i.e., farmers, local bodies and trainers.
2. Number of trainers per country (**at least 10**), per trainee category and per fruit fly species.
3. Publications (**at least 5**) that are accessible to the EU legislators/bodies





FruitFlyNet: Project Indicators

5. **Achievement:** Web based platform for results and innovations dissemination:

Indicators:

- At least two (2) e-courses on
 - good agricultural practices and
 - integrated management strategies.
- **At least (1000)** of hits in the project portal. The e-courses on good agricultural practices and integrated pest management strategies will be offered in farmers, specialized personnel, students, etc..
- Knowledge transfer will also include local phytosanitary organizations (**at least 10**) for all countries involved (through training in local bodies).



FruitFlyNet: Conclusions



- Up to the end of this project.
 - The experimental design per pilot case has been determined.
 - The architectural designs of all WMSNs have been completed.
 - The RETIC e-traps (modified delta και Yellow sticky) have been designed, constructed and implemented. Tests for the RETIC e-traps have been made.
 - The common data base has been created.
 - All the web services have been designed and they have been implemented properly (at least in the case of the *OliveFlyNet*).
 - The graphical User Interface (GUI) toolbox has been designed and developed in cases of *CherryFlyNet*, *MedFlyNet* and *OliveFlyNet*.
 - The spraying DSSs per insect examined have been algorithmically developed tested and implemented (*MedFlyNet* and *OliveFlyNet*).
 - Training courses/e-courses have been finalized.



FruitFlyNet: Conclusions

Open problems - What needs to be done



- WMSN Deployment, Management, and Operation needs further work to solve particular problems identified on:
 - Network architecture (WiFi, ZigBee, stand-alone e-traps with 3G/4G connection).
 - Energy savings (battery limitations)
 - Web services
- Care should be taken so as to keep the geodatabases uniform and compatible. Data needs to be uploaded in the required format.
- Image interpretation: visual/semi-visual/automated need to be considered closely.
- Develop an e-protocol for the spraying process.
- Optimizing the new spraying process



FruitFlyNet: Project Outputs



Compared to common spray tactics against olive, cherry, med, and some invasive fruit flies population the project is expected to achieve:

1. An increase by **5% (?)** of the efficacy of the sprays from ground.
 2. A reduction by **5% (?)** of the mean spray.
 3. A reduction by **15% (?)** of the mean spray duration of the spray applications.
 4. A reduction by **20% (?)** of the spraying volume.
 5. A reduction by **30% (?)** in the number of insecticide applications.
- Making sprayings more easier and effective
 - Achieving fewer, locally applied and more effective sprayings.
 - Creating a less polluted and healthier Med-basin Environment





FruitFly Net

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