

# Sustainable cultivation of pulses

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# Outline

- Intercropping faba bean and oats and field pea and oats
- Soilborne diseases
- Chocolate spot disease in faba beans



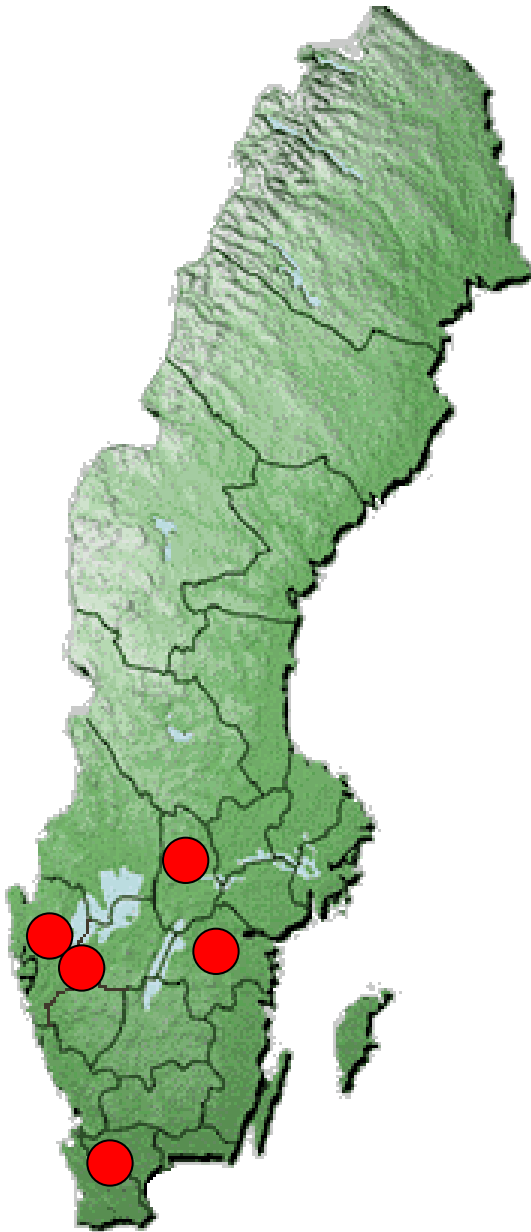
What do we know about  
Faba beans?





# Field experimental sites

12 experiments 2008-2010



Oats; Belinda

Faba Bean; Marcel, Paloma

Field peas; Clara, Faust

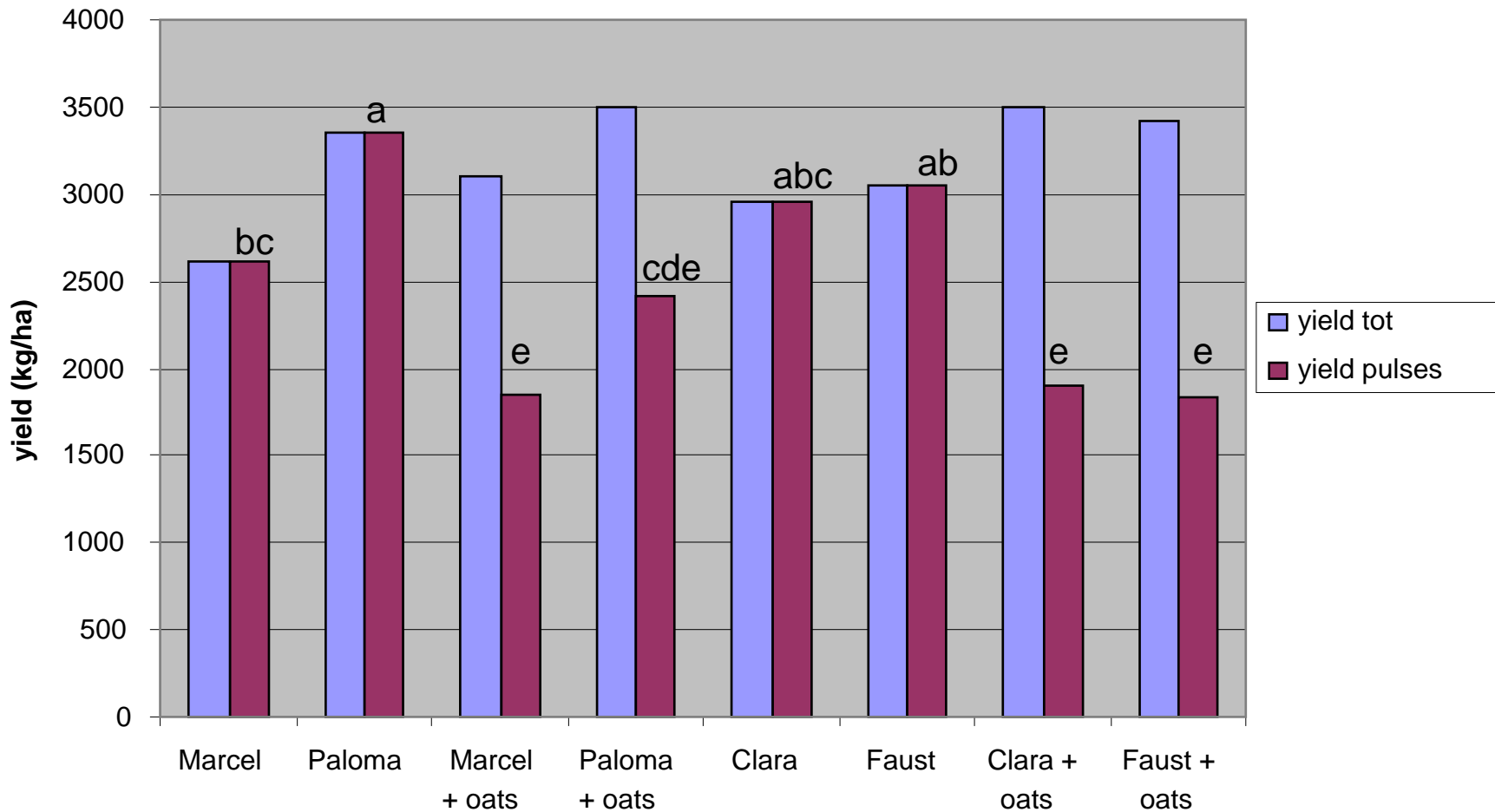
## **Intercropping**

Oats (30 %), pulse crop (70 %)

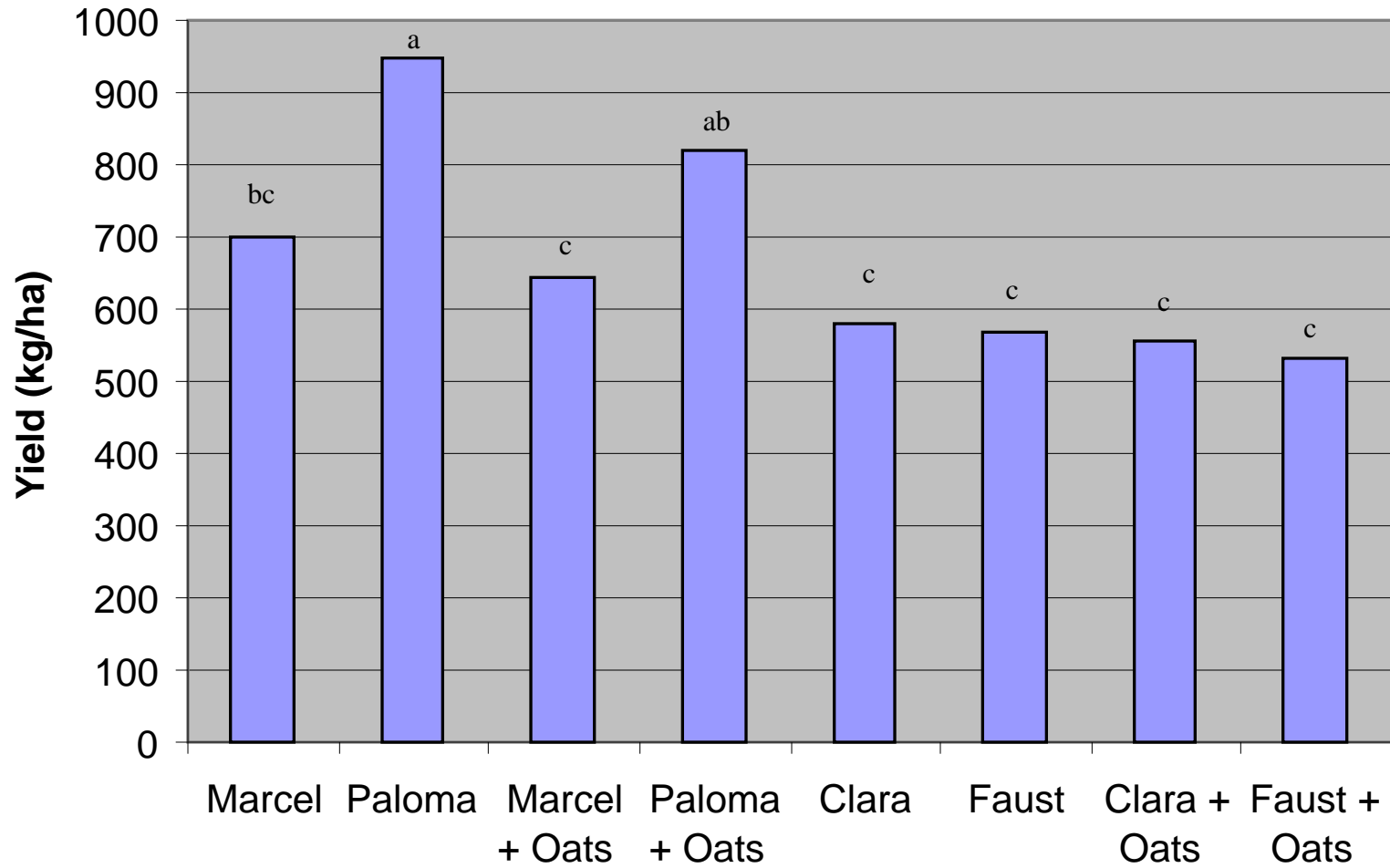
Pulse crop in pure stand

# Total yield and yield of pulses

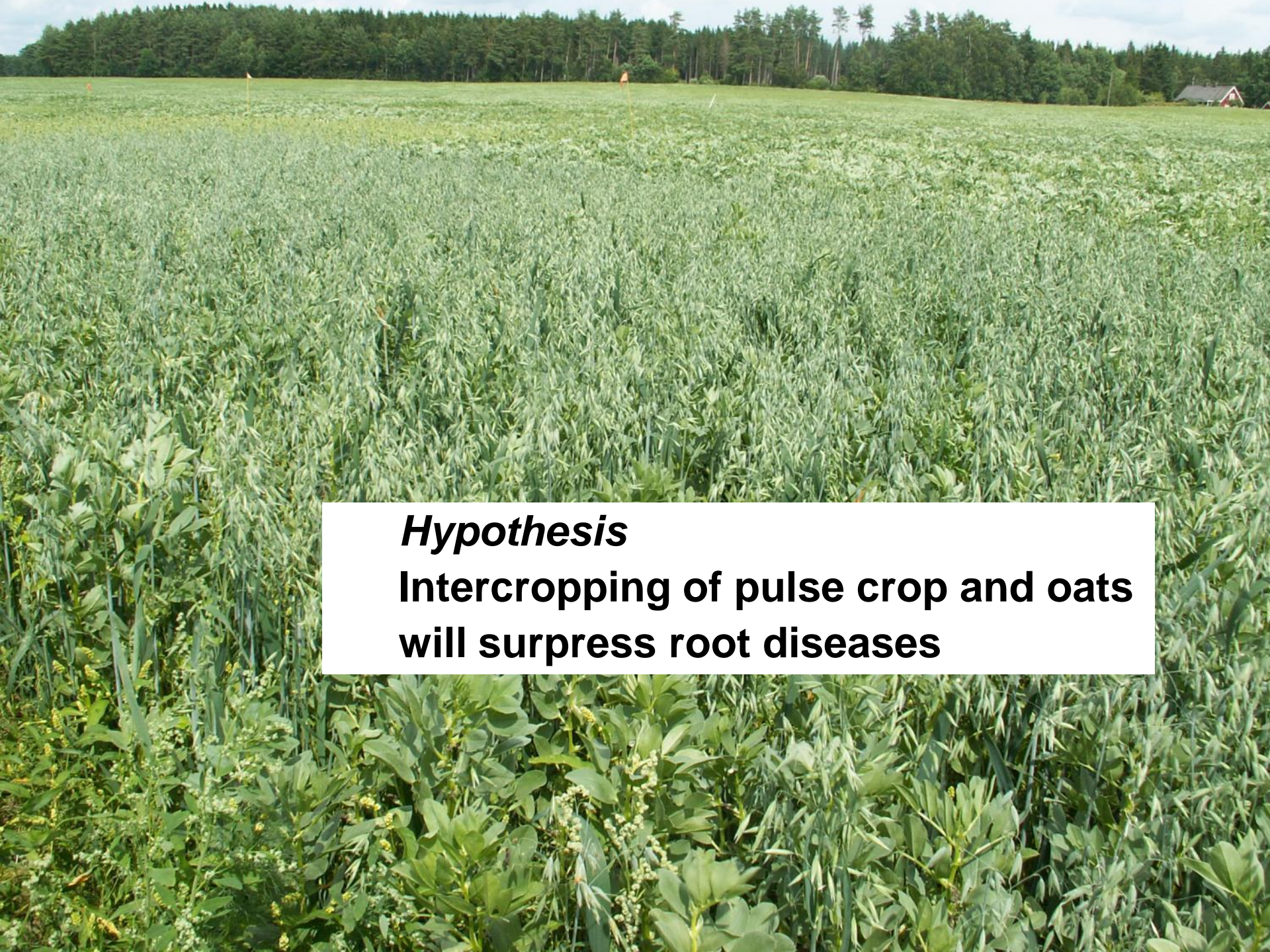
*Faba bean: Marcel, Paloma Field pea: Clara, Faust*



# Protein yield







***Hypothesis***

**Intercropping of pulse crop and oats  
will suppress root diseases**



# Soilborne diseases in peas

- *Aphanomyces eutheiches*  
Sv. Ärtotröta  
Eng. Aphanomyces root rot
- *Fusarium avenaceum*  
Sv. Rotröta  
Eng. Pea root rot





# Metod

- Tio plants from each plot were dug up in early July
- Disease assessment in six classes (0-100)
- Disease severity index (DSI) calculated



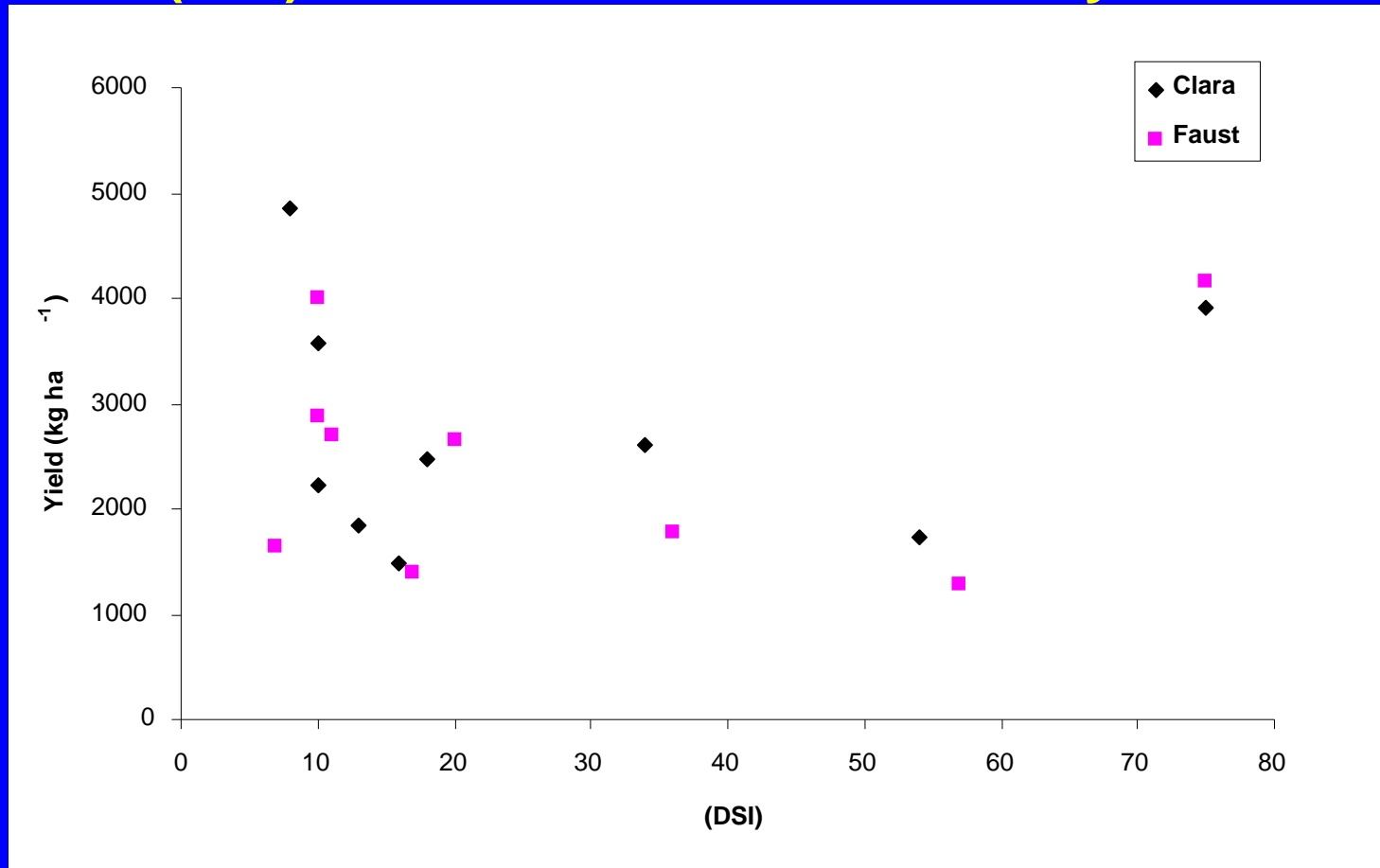
# Pea. Disease severity index (DSI) in roots of Clara and Faust in pure stand and intercropped with oats



Treatment	DSI
Cultivar	
Clara	29
Faust	30
<i>p</i> (cultivar)	<i>ns</i> <sup>1</sup>
Cultivation	
Pure stand	29,6
Intercropped	29,4
<i>p</i> (cultivation)	<i>ns</i>
Experimental site	
2008	
Örebro	9,7 efg <sup>2</sup>
Stjärnsund	7,6 fg
Dingle	35,3 c
Tanum	33,7 c
2009	
Örebro	13,1 def
Dingle	73,7 a
Lysekil	73,4 a
Vanås	57,1 b
2010	
Örebro	9,9 efg
Dingle	6,9 g
Borensberg	17,9 d
Grästorps	15,7 de
<i>p</i> (experimental site)	<0,001
CV	15



# Pea in pure stand. Relationship between means of yield and disease severity index (DSI) of root discoloration in July.



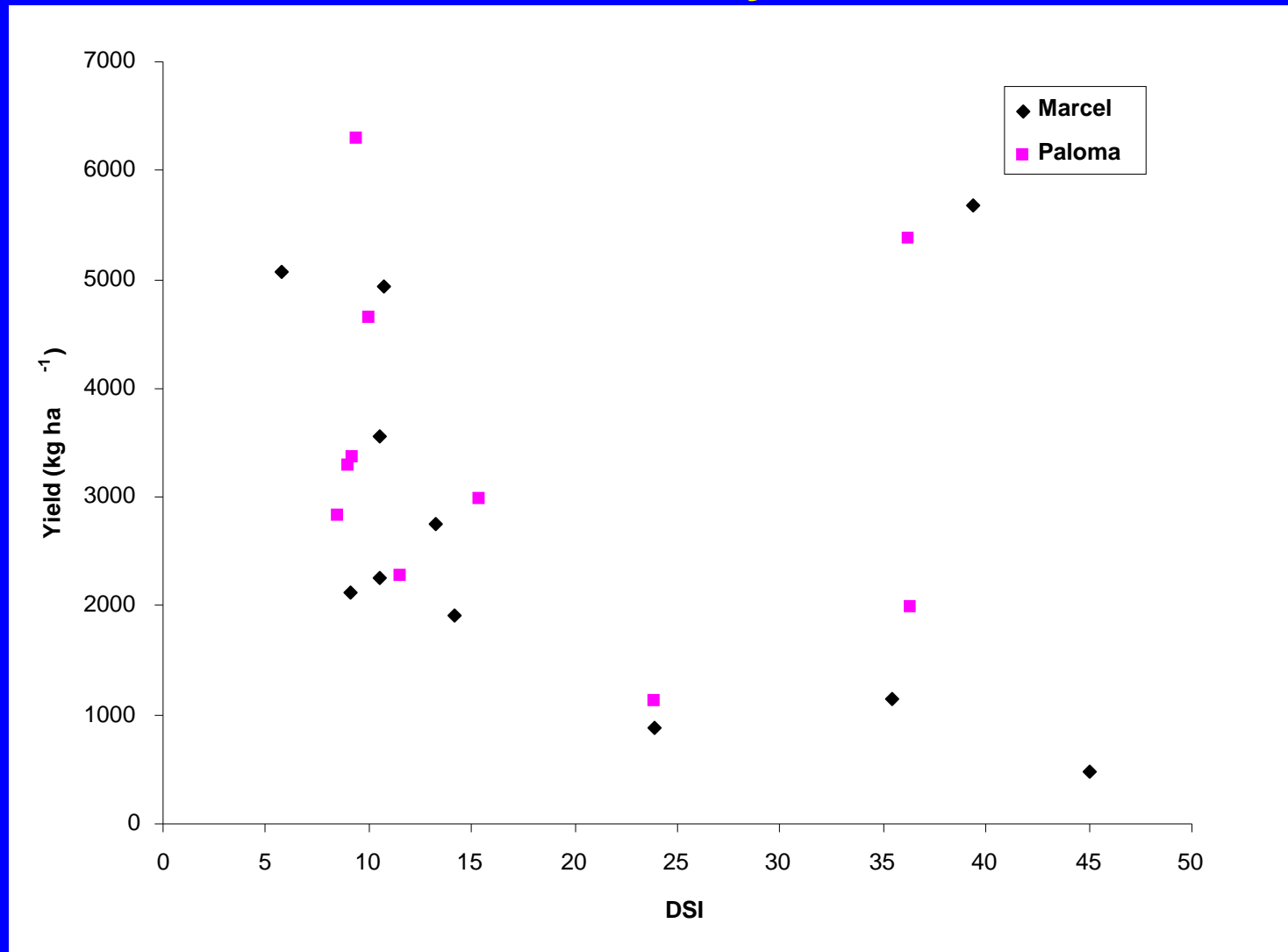
# Faba bean. Disease severity index (DSI) in roots of cultivars Marcel and Paloma in pure stand and intercropped with oats



Treatment	DSI
Cultivar	
Marcel	20,9 a <sup>1</sup>
Paloma	19,7 b
<i>p (cultivar)</i>	0,014
Cultivation	
Pure stand	20,5
Intercropped	20,0
<i>p (cultivation)</i>	ns <sup>2</sup>
Experimental site	
2008	
Örebro	44,4 a
Stjärnsund	30,7 bc
Dingle	34,0 b
Tanum	36,9 ab
2009	
Örebro	13,7 de
Dingle	10,8 e
Lysekil	10,1 e
Vanås	14,7 de
2010	
Örebro	9,1 e
Dingle	8,2 e
Borensberg	9,6 e
Gråstorp	21,4 cd
<i>p (experimental site)</i>	<0,00 1
CV	15



# Faba bean in pure stand. Relationship between means of yield and disease severity index (DSI) of root discoloration in July.



We have a new and aggressive root rot pathogen in pea and faba bean crops

Suggested name *Phytophthora pisi*

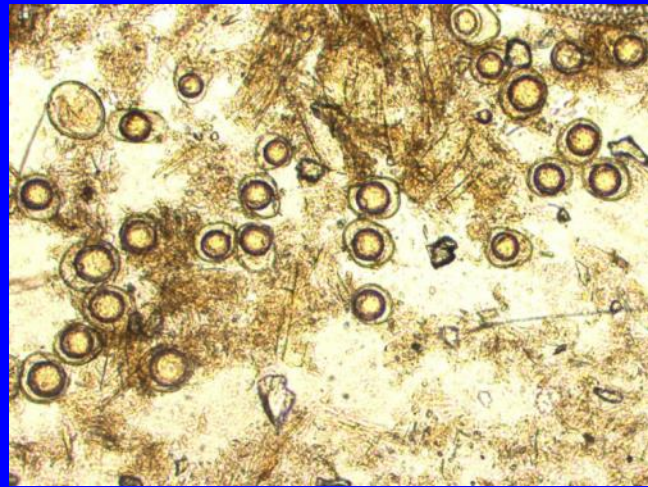
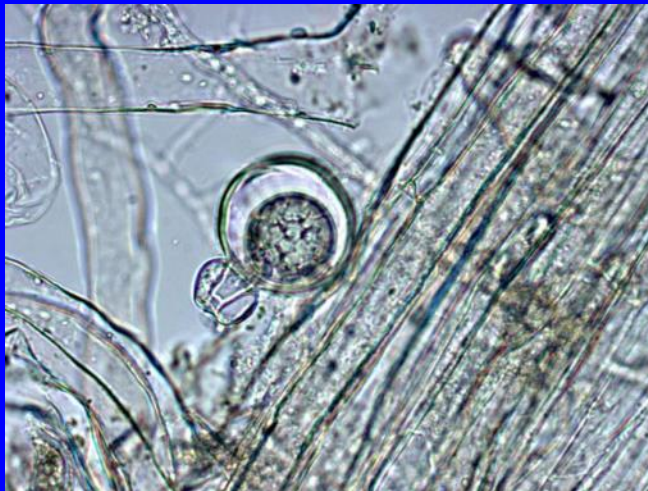
Wikström, Persson & Heyman, 2010



Faba beans infected by *Phytophthora pisi*



# Phytophthora pisi resting spores in pea roots



Källa: Wikström et al.



# Differences in susceptibility of *P. pisi* in cultivars of Faba beans

*Numbers within brackets indicate DSI in bioassay*

Gloria (18)

Paloma (32)

Tatoo (3)

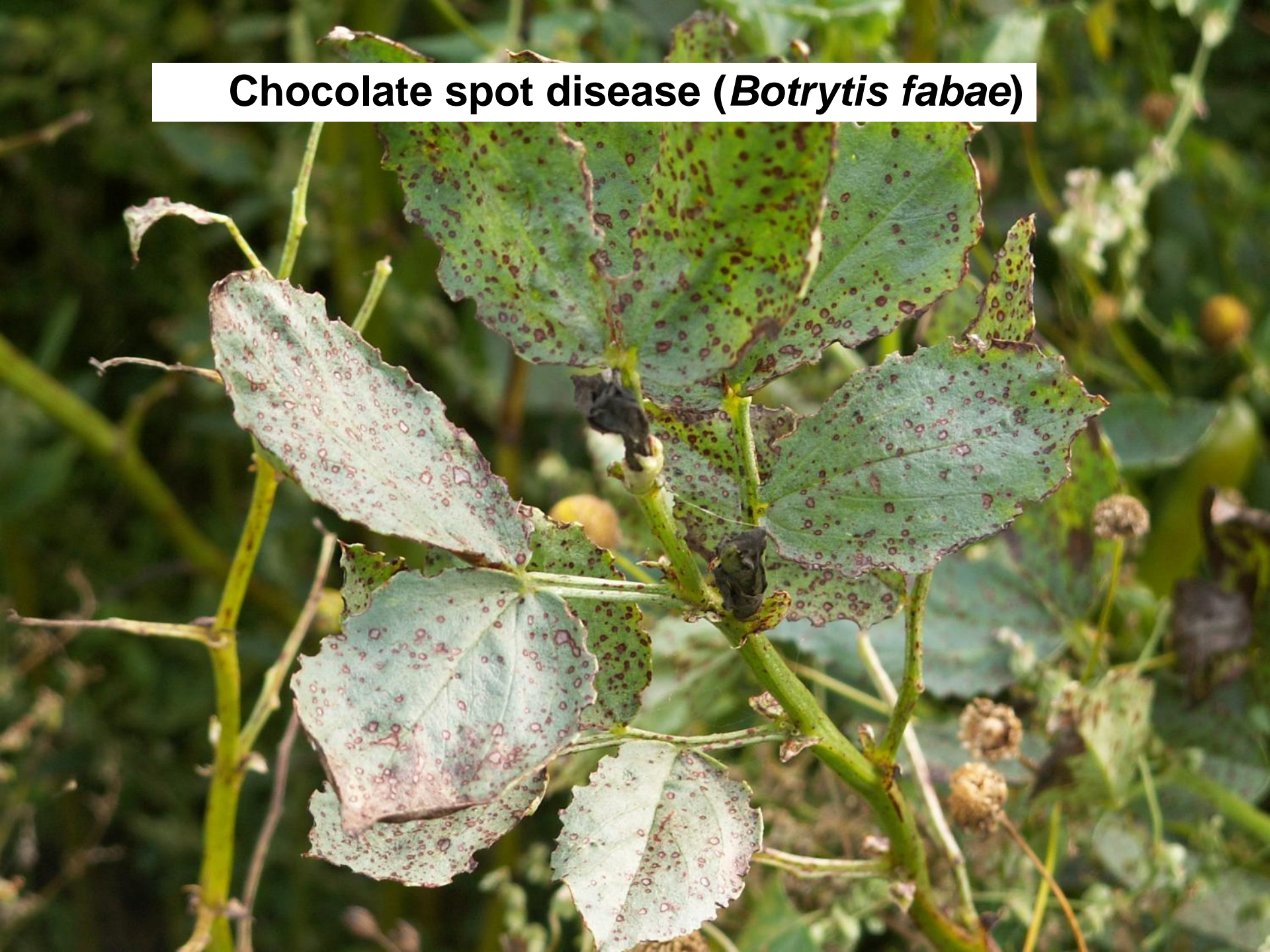
Julia (11)

Laura (48)

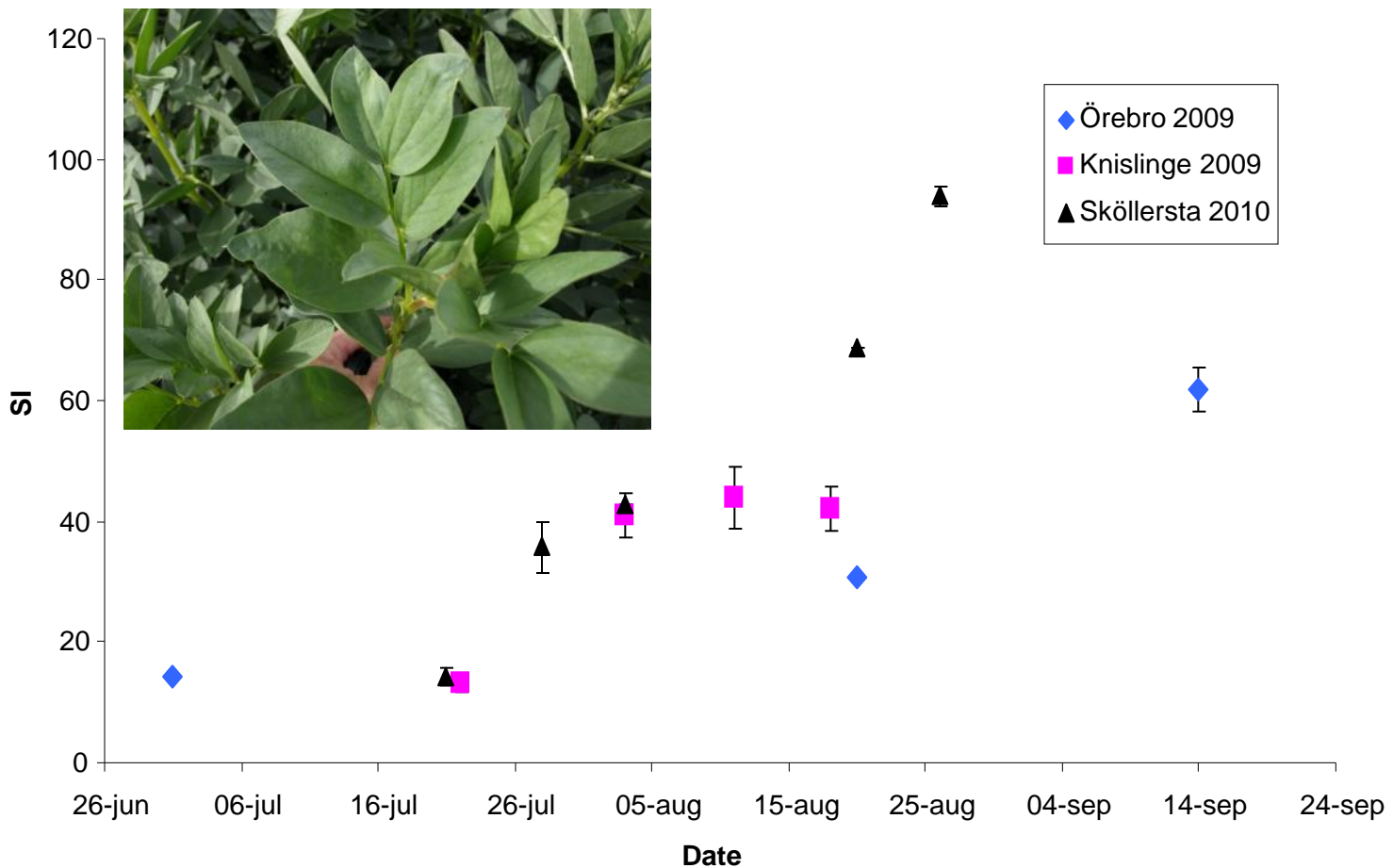
Yield loss SW Swed



**Chocolate spot disease (*Botrytis fabae*)**



# Faba bean. Development of disease severity index (DSI) of leaf spots





# Faba bean. Disease severity index (DSI) of leaf spots in Marcel and Paloma cultivated in pure stand and intercropped with oats.

Treatment	DSI
Cultivar	
Marcel	77,9
Paloma	75,0
<i>p (cultivar)</i>	<i>ns</i>
Cultivation	
Pure stand	78,3
Intercropped	74,6
<i>p (cultivation)</i>	<i>ns</i>
Experimental site	
Sköllersta 2010	89,7 <sup>a</sup>
Örebro 2009	63,2 <sup>b</sup>
<i>p (experimental site)</i>	0,0048
exp. site x cultivar	
Sköllersta 2010 Marcel	96,8 <sup>a</sup>
Sköllersta 2010 Paloma	82,7 <sup>b</sup>
Örebro 2009 Marcel	59,1 <sup>c</sup>
Örebro 2009 Paloma	67,3 <sup>bc</sup>
<i>p (exp. site x cultivar)</i>	0,00018
CV	10,9

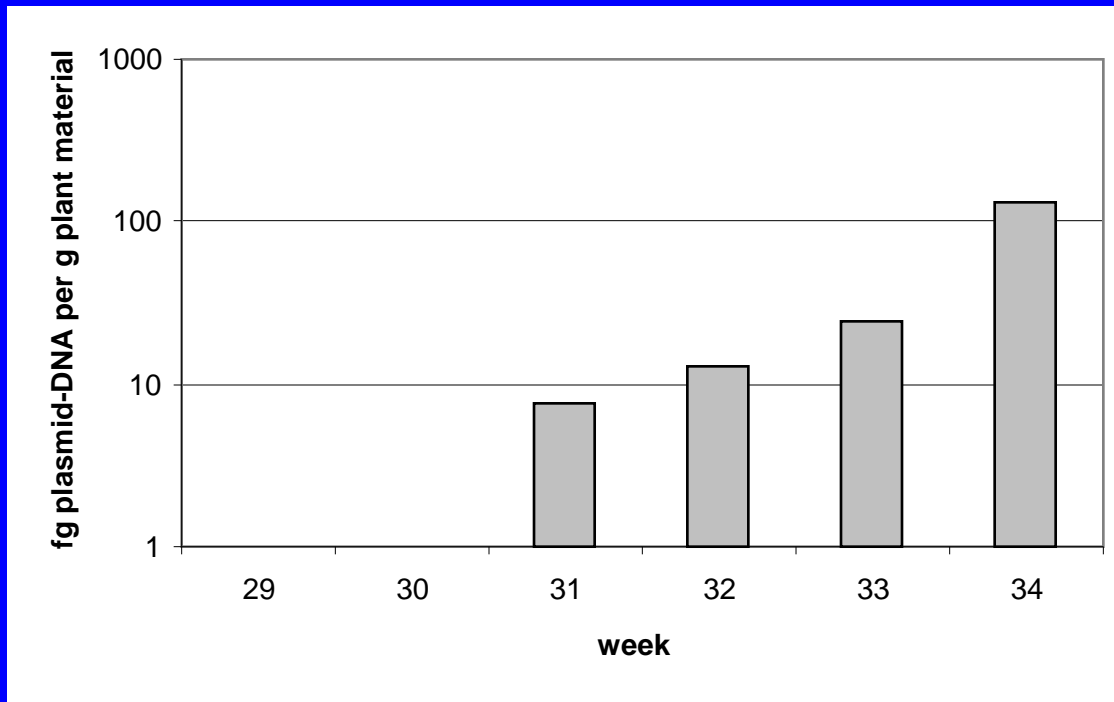




# Development of a real-time qPCR-metod for detection and quantification of *B. fabae*



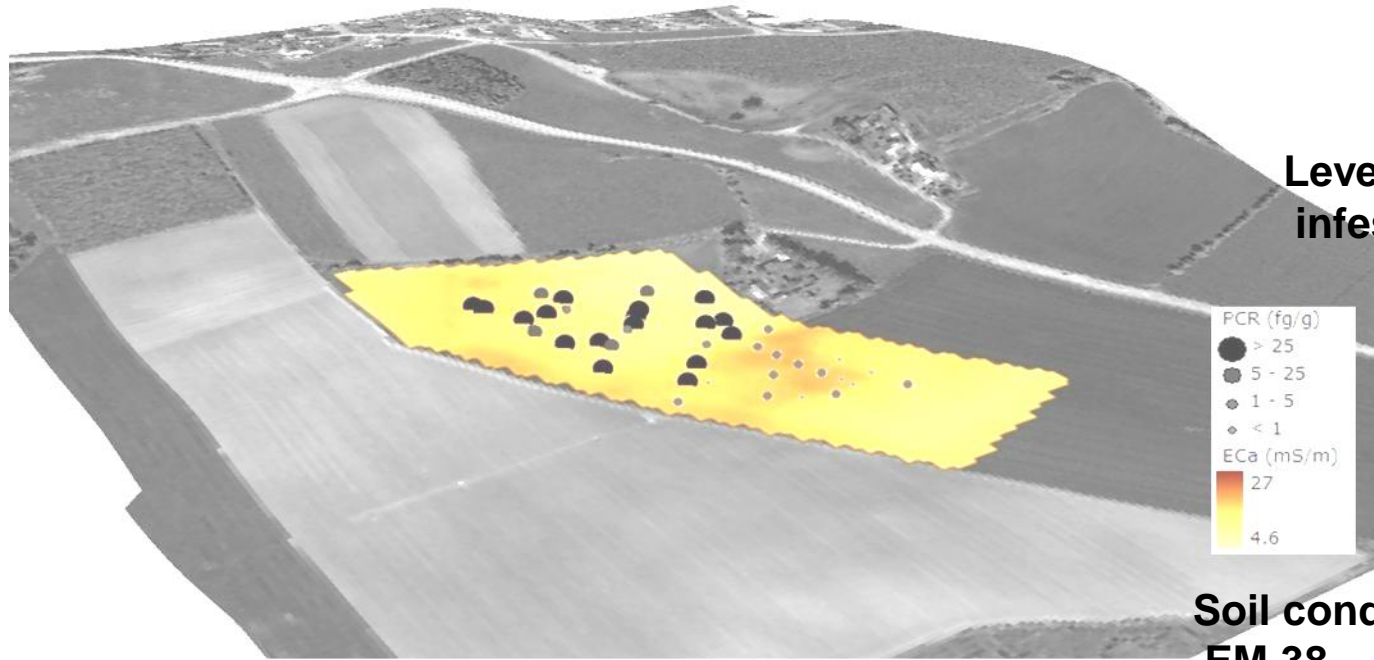
# Leaf samples from a field at Skänninge 2010 analysed with qPCR for DNA of *B. fabae*



# Biological Soil Mapping of Pathogens

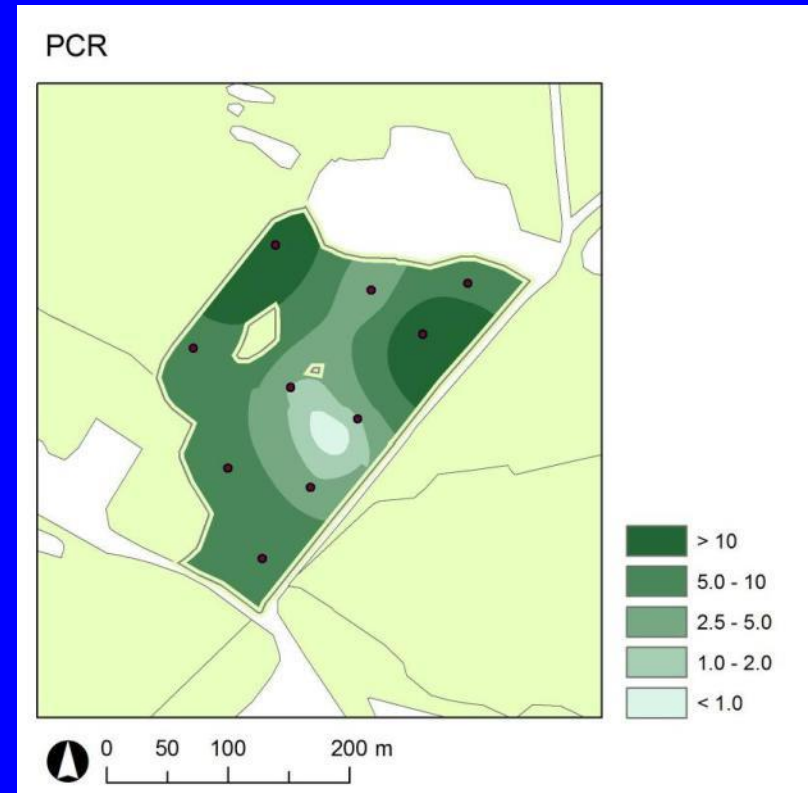
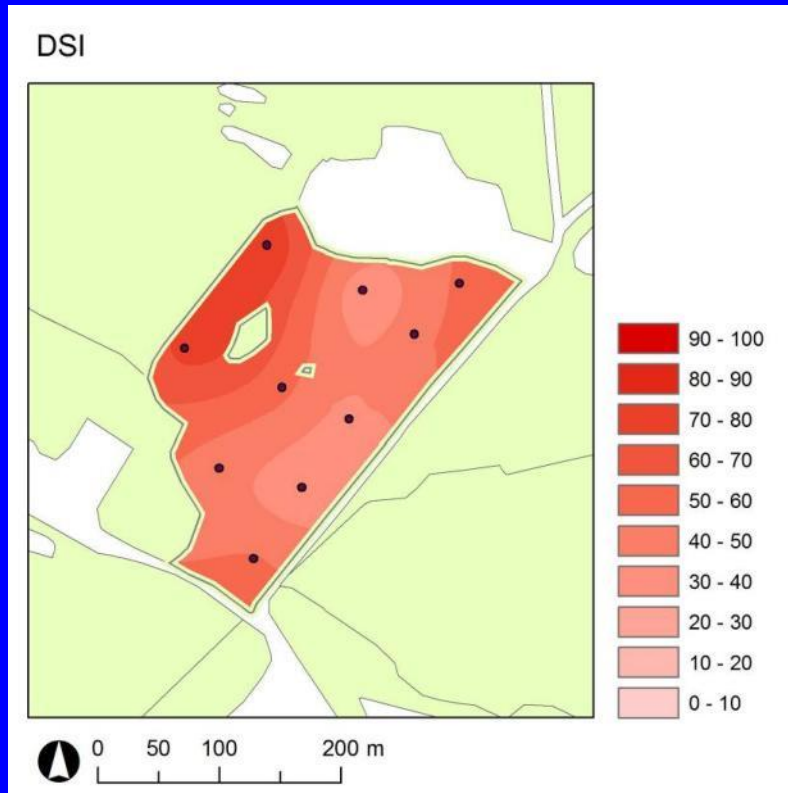
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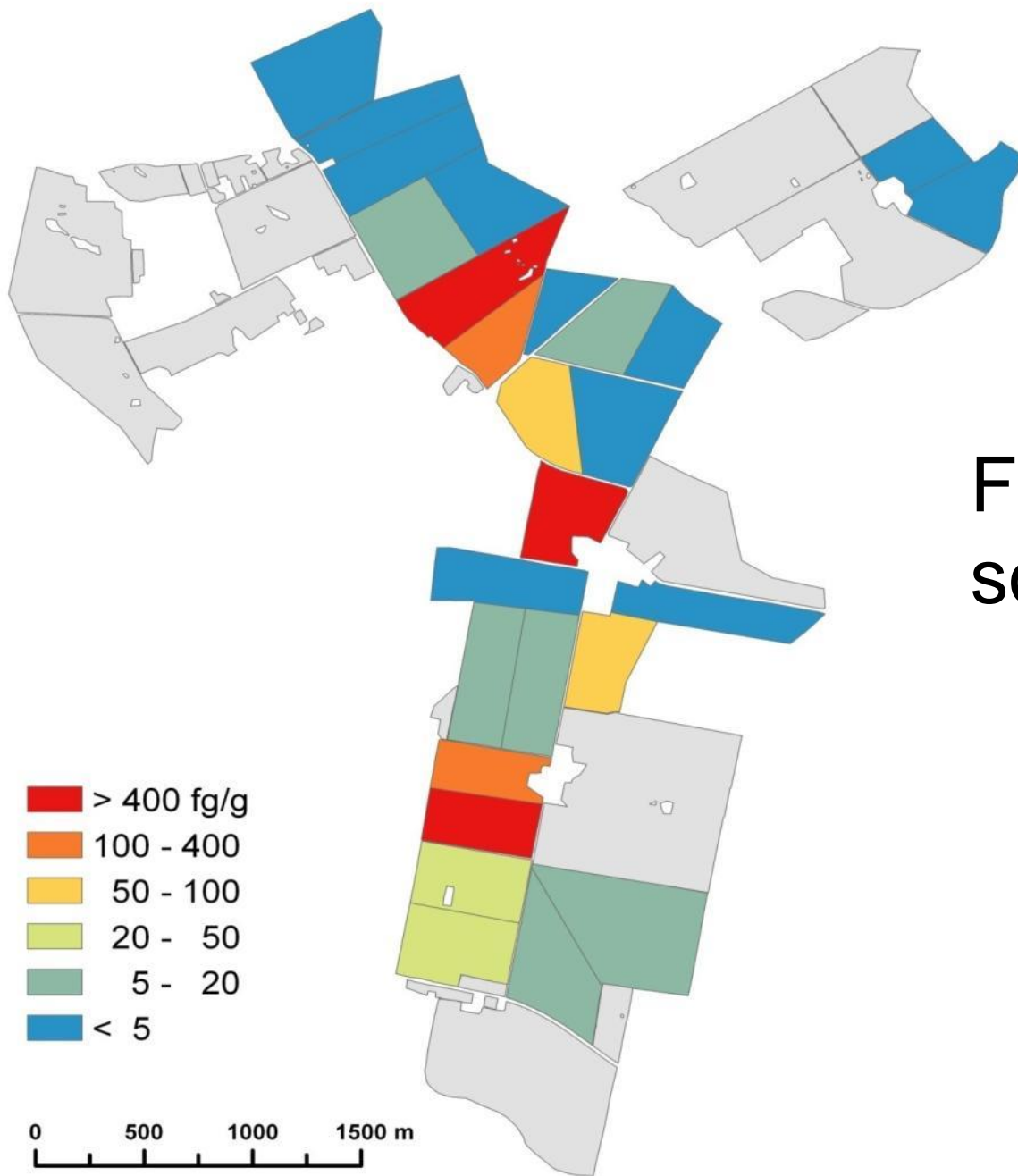
The Faculty of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences, SLU and eleven stakeholders





# Within-field variation of *A. euteiches*





## Farm fields soil test



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