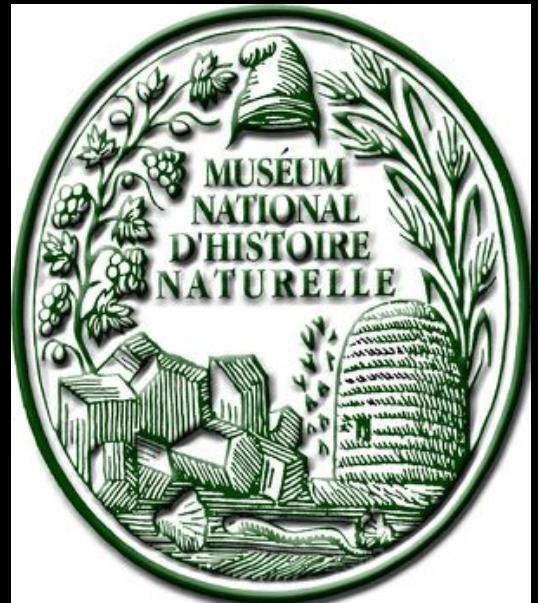


Les orchidées et leurs mycorhizes

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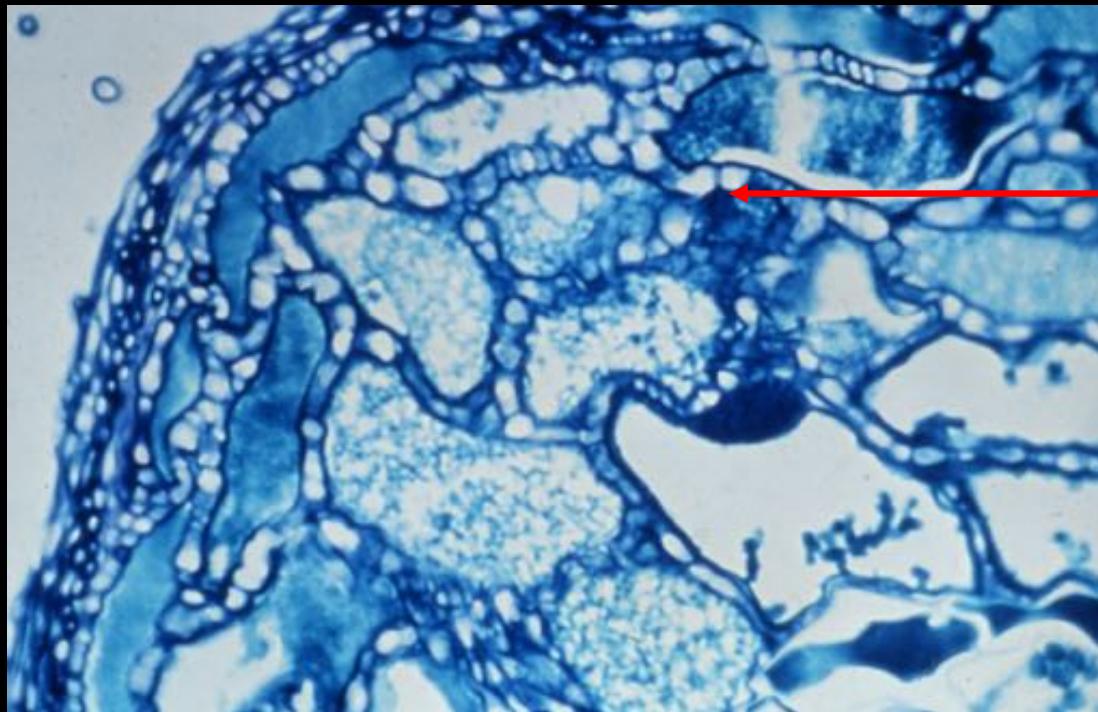
MYCORRHIZAL SYMBIOSIS

... a symbiosis between
two partners



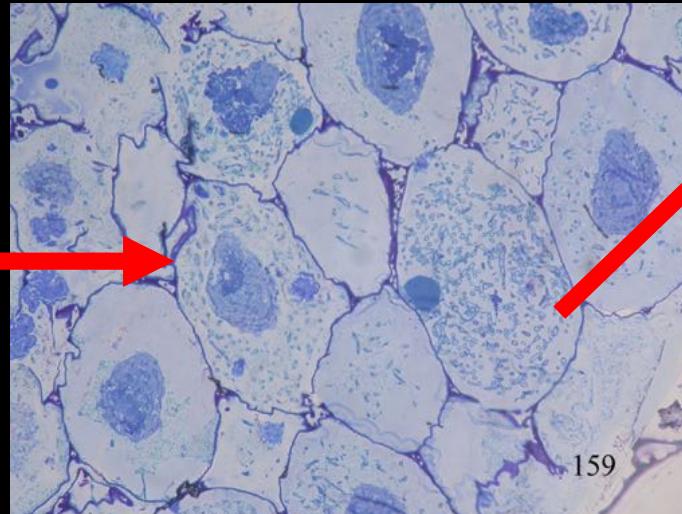
ECTO- MYCORRHIZAE

Asco- and Basidiomycetes on
most trees in temperate regions



ORCHID MYCORHIZAE

Intracellular pelotons formed within root cells,
usually with « rhizoctonias »



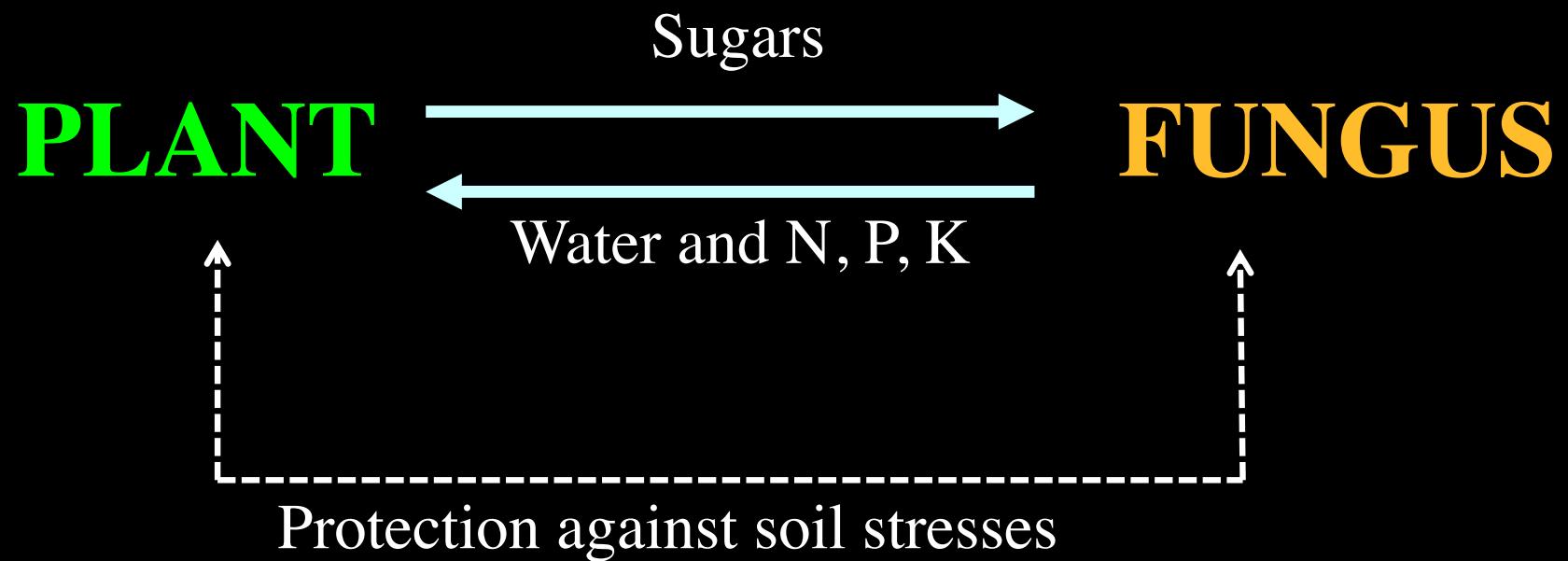


Orchid germination, usually involving rhizoctonias

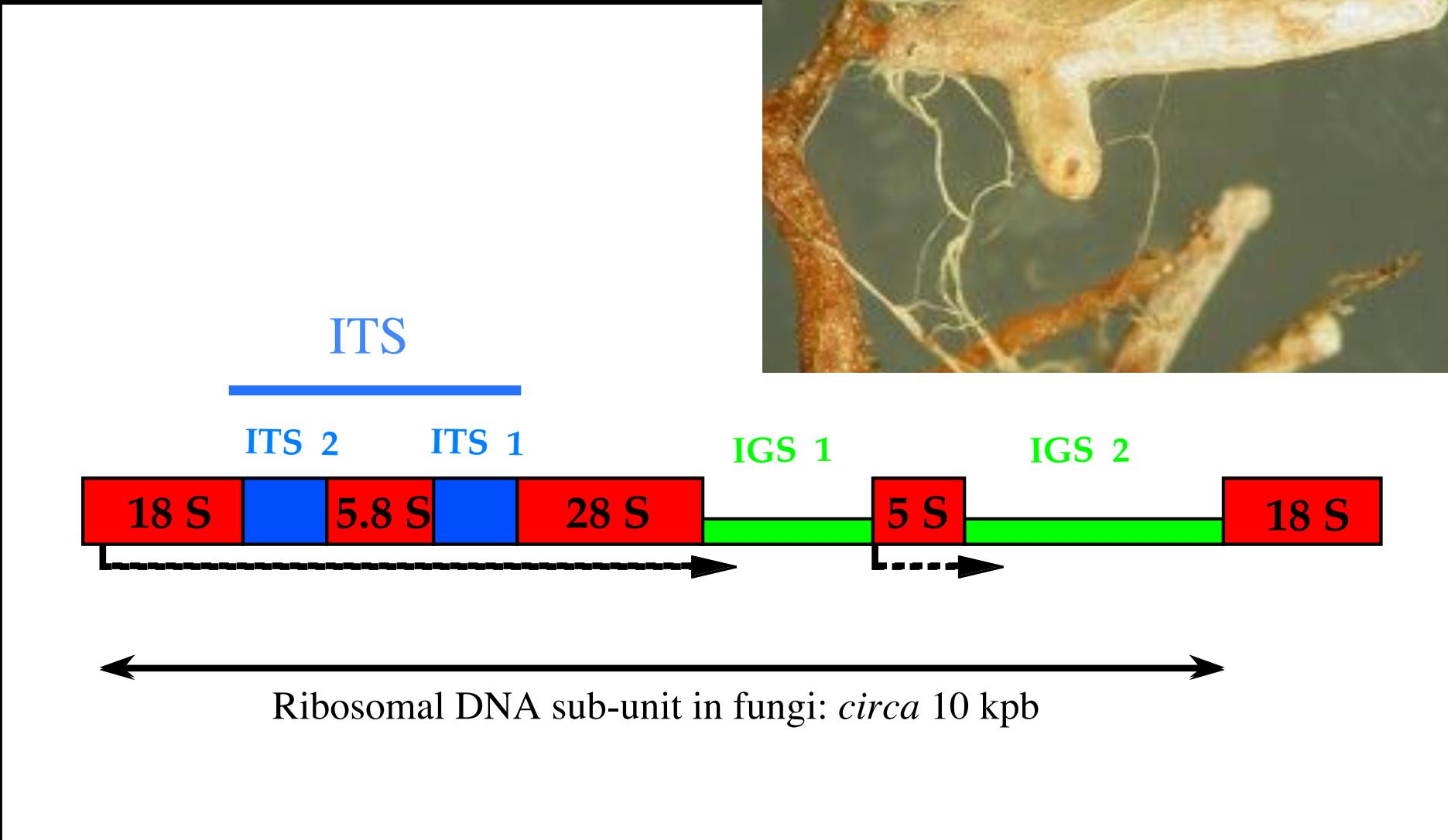
MYCORRHIZAL SYMBIOSIS

>85% of plants associate with soil fungi

Reciprocal nutrient exchanges + protection:



ITS BARCODING



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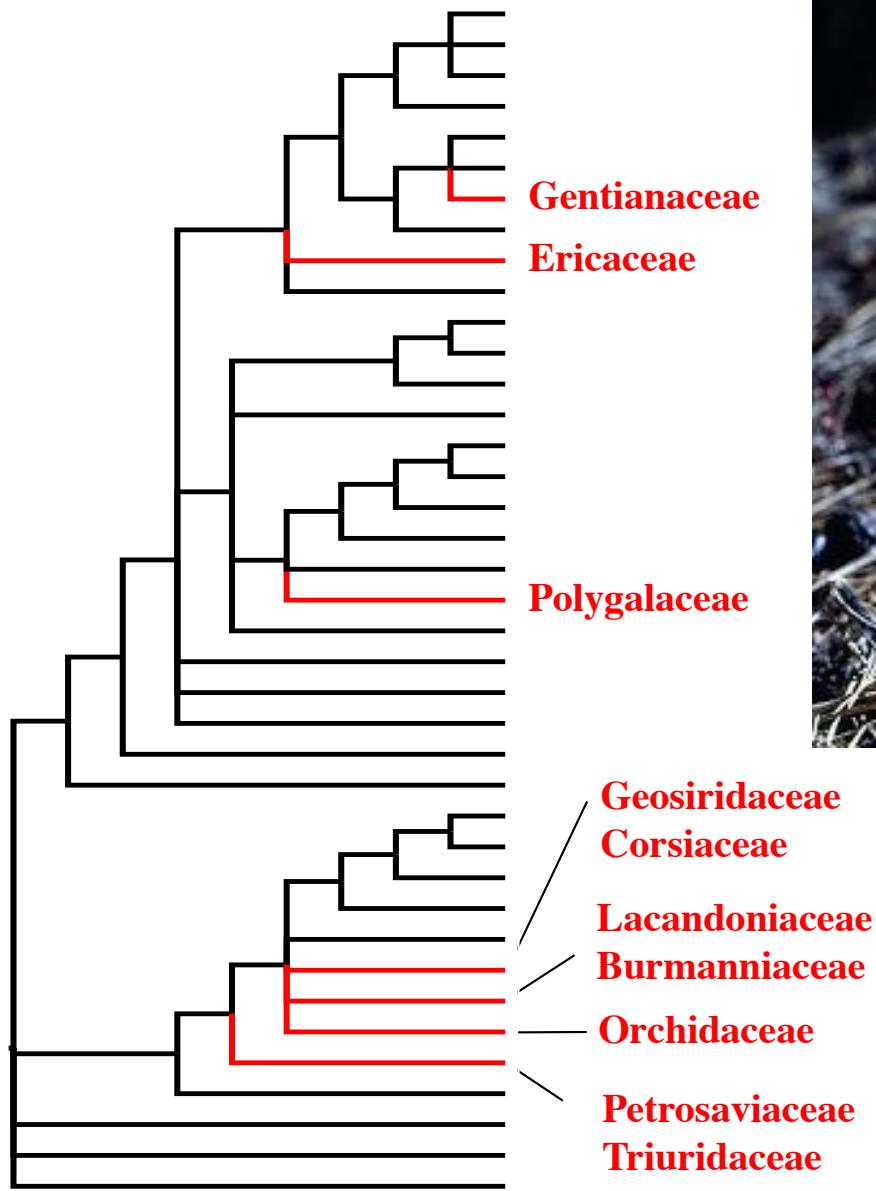
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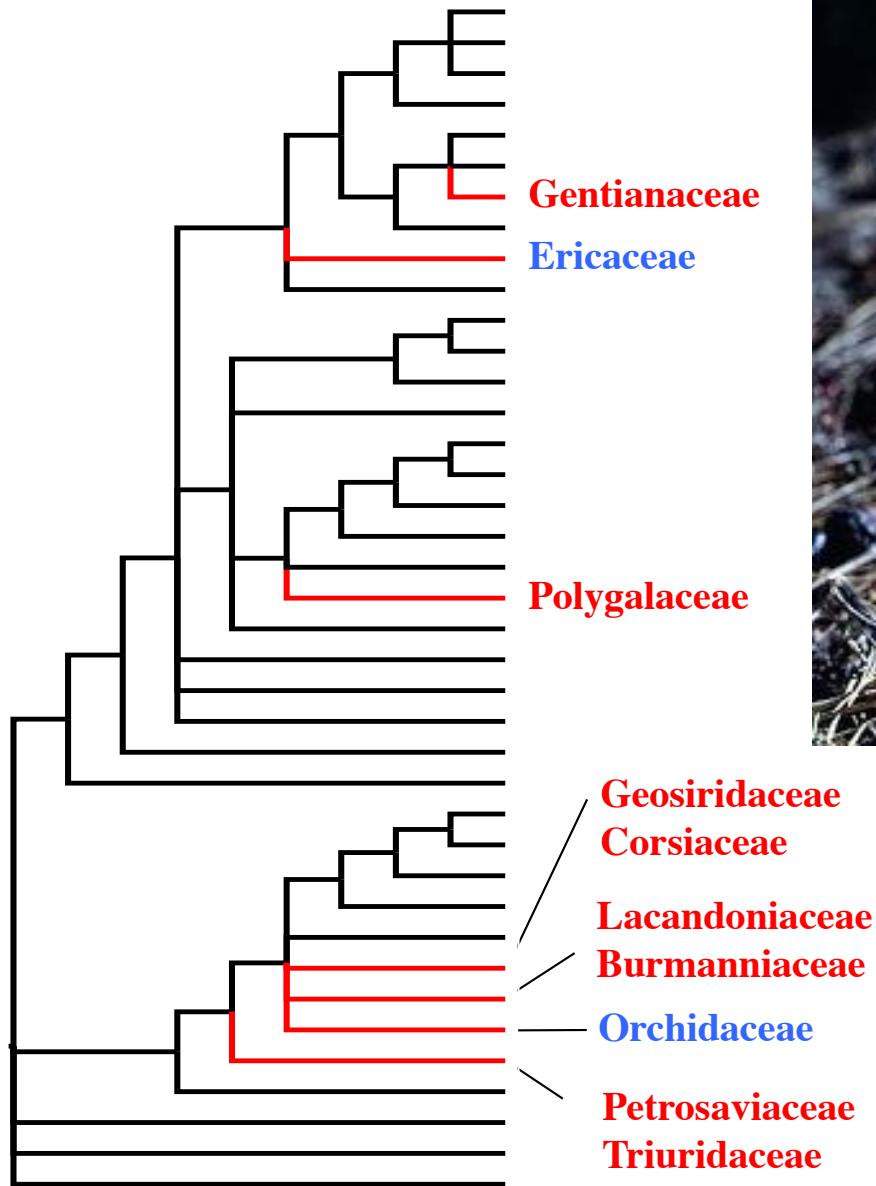
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Mycoheterotrophs



(from Brundett, 2004)

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Neottia nidus-avis

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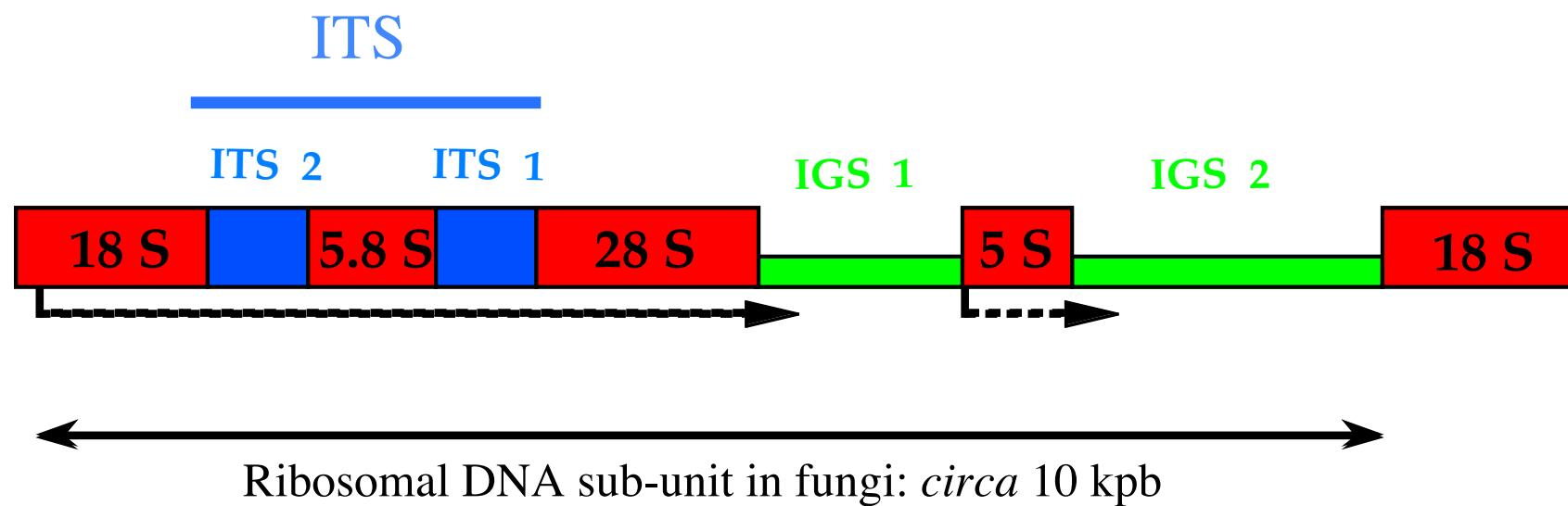




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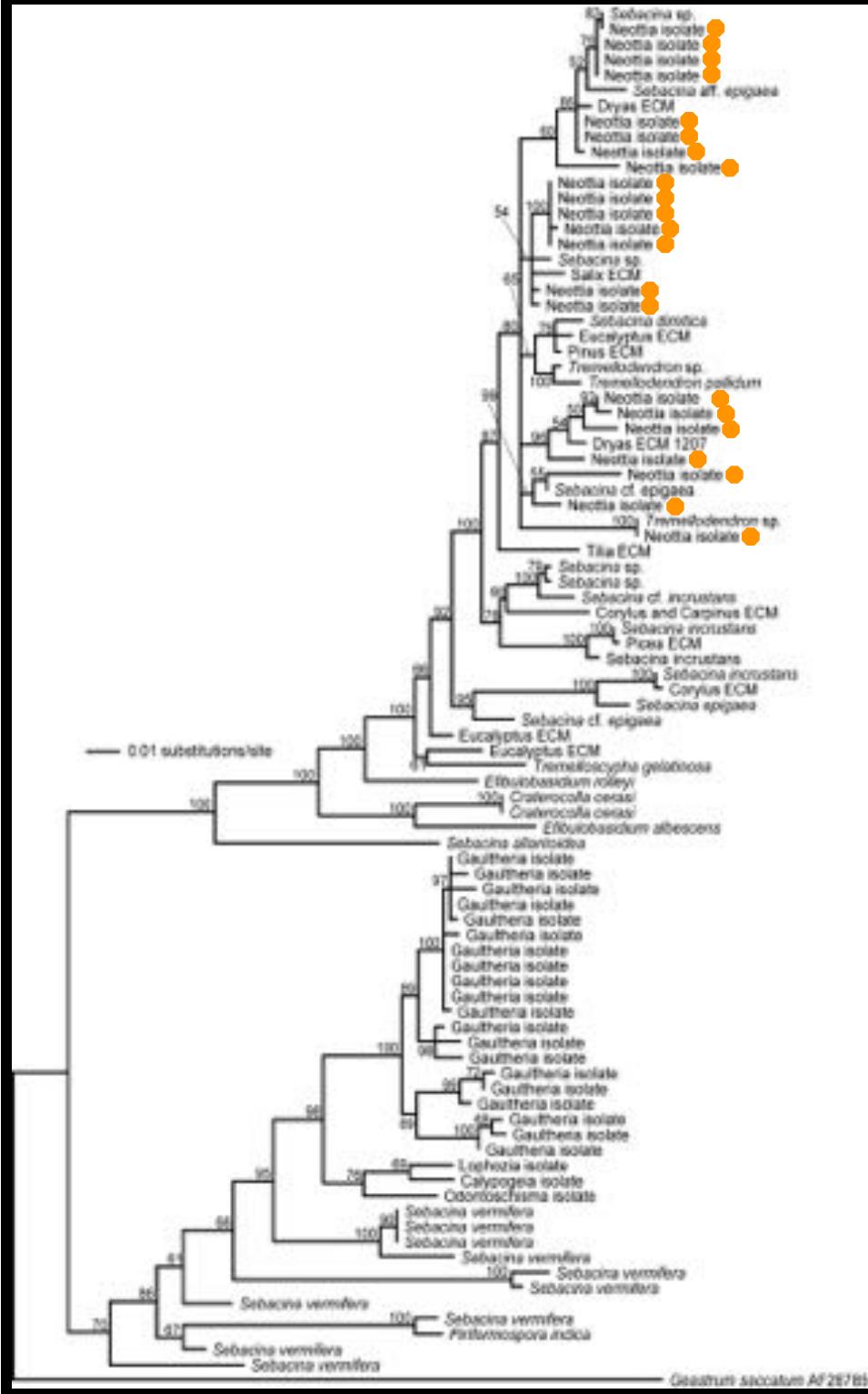
Taxonomic resolution :

- Genus / order
- Species / sub-species
- Sub-species / genet



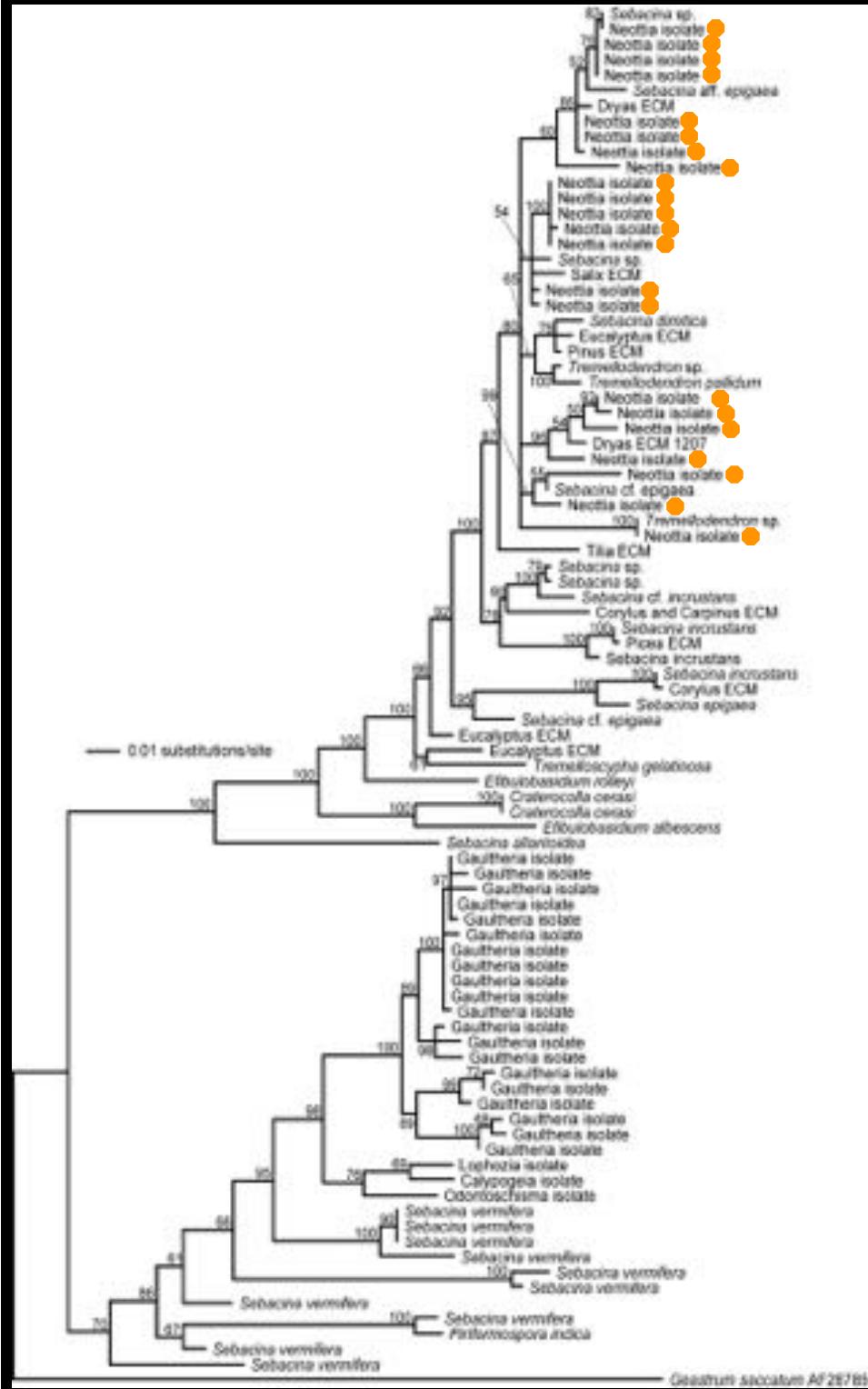
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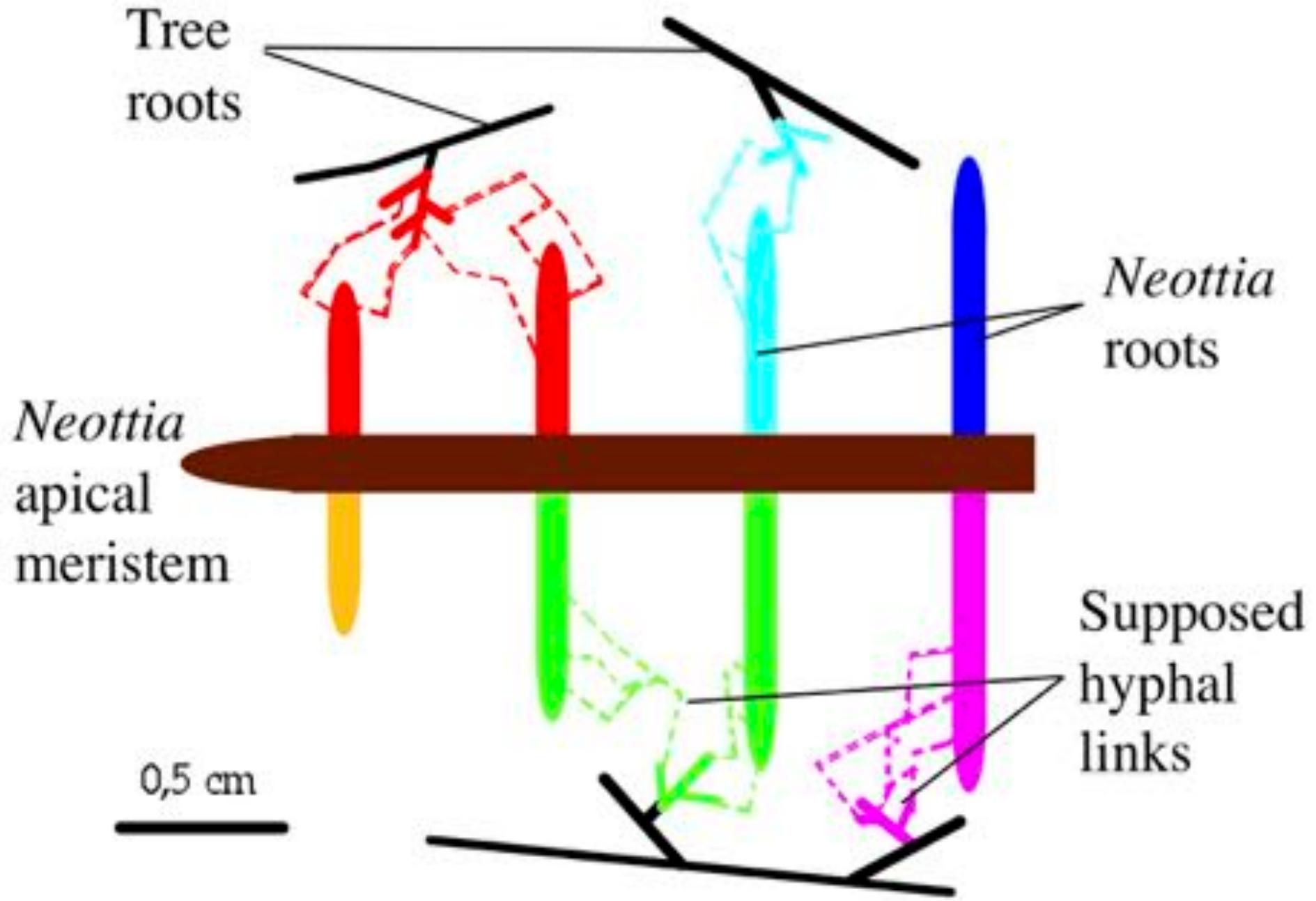
associated with Sebacinales...



Neottia nidus-avis

associated with Sebacinales...
themselves ectomycorrhizal
on nearby tree roots





Selosse *et al.*, 2002

Epipogium aphyllum



Epipogium aphyllum



A close-up photograph of several light pink, bell-shaped flowers of the orchid species *Epipogium aphyllum*. The flowers are arranged along a thin, reddish-brown stem that is attached to a dark, textured rock surface.

Epipogium aphyllum

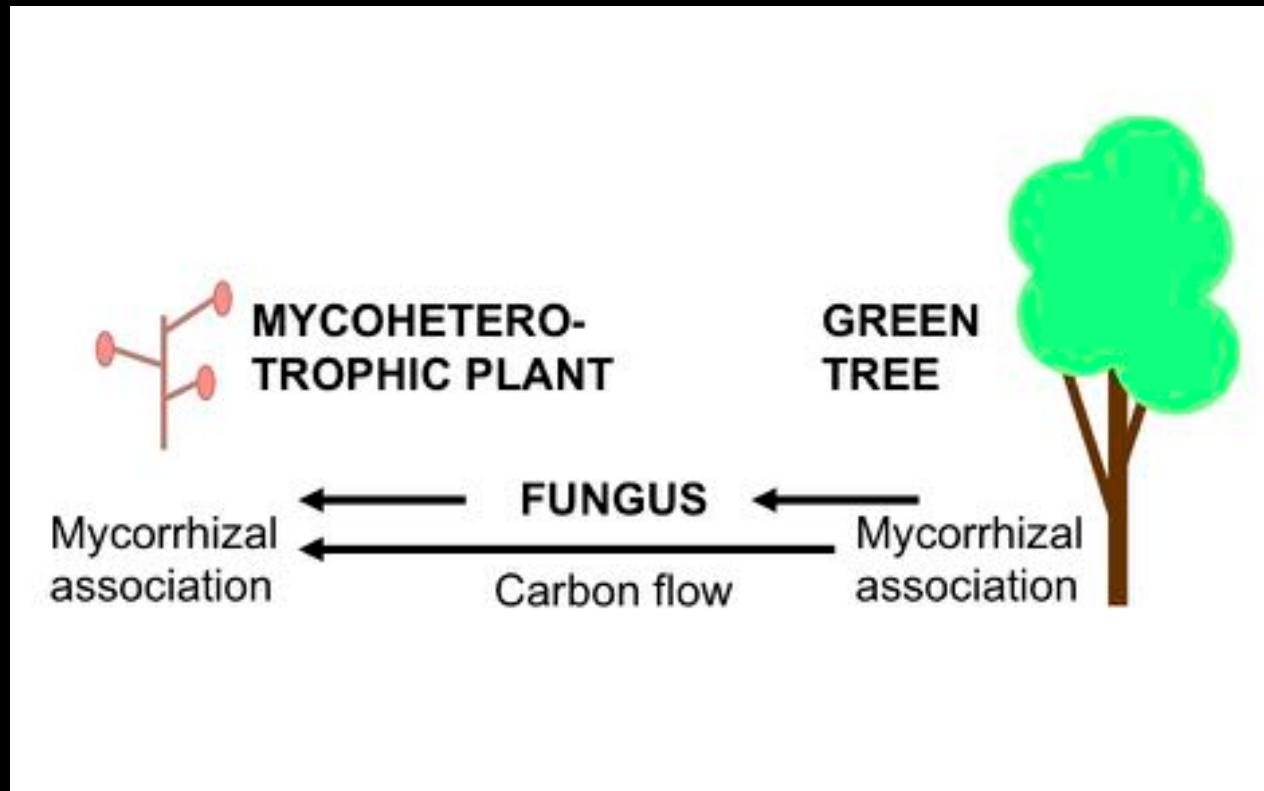
... with *Inocybe* species
Roy *et al.*, *Annals Bot.*, 2009.





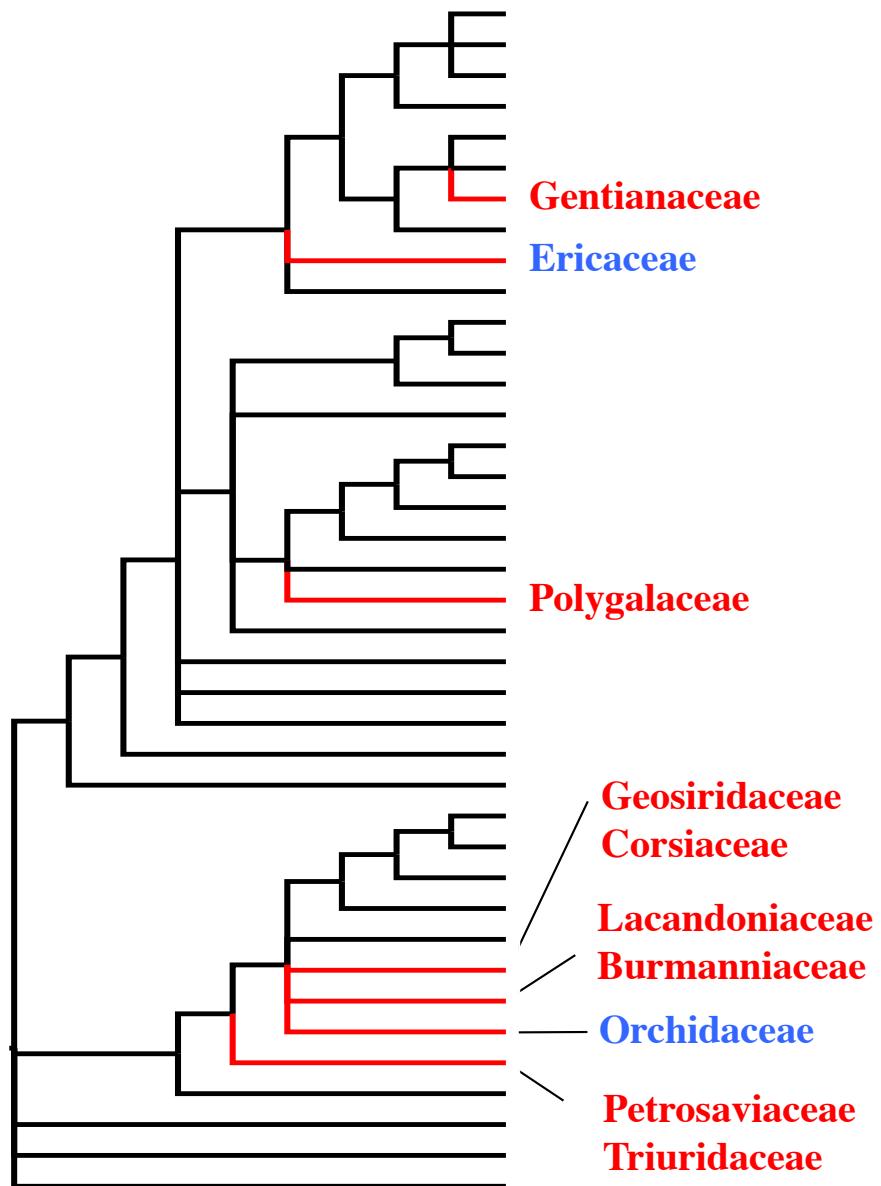
MYCOHETEROTROPHY

Exploiting the mycorrhizal network...



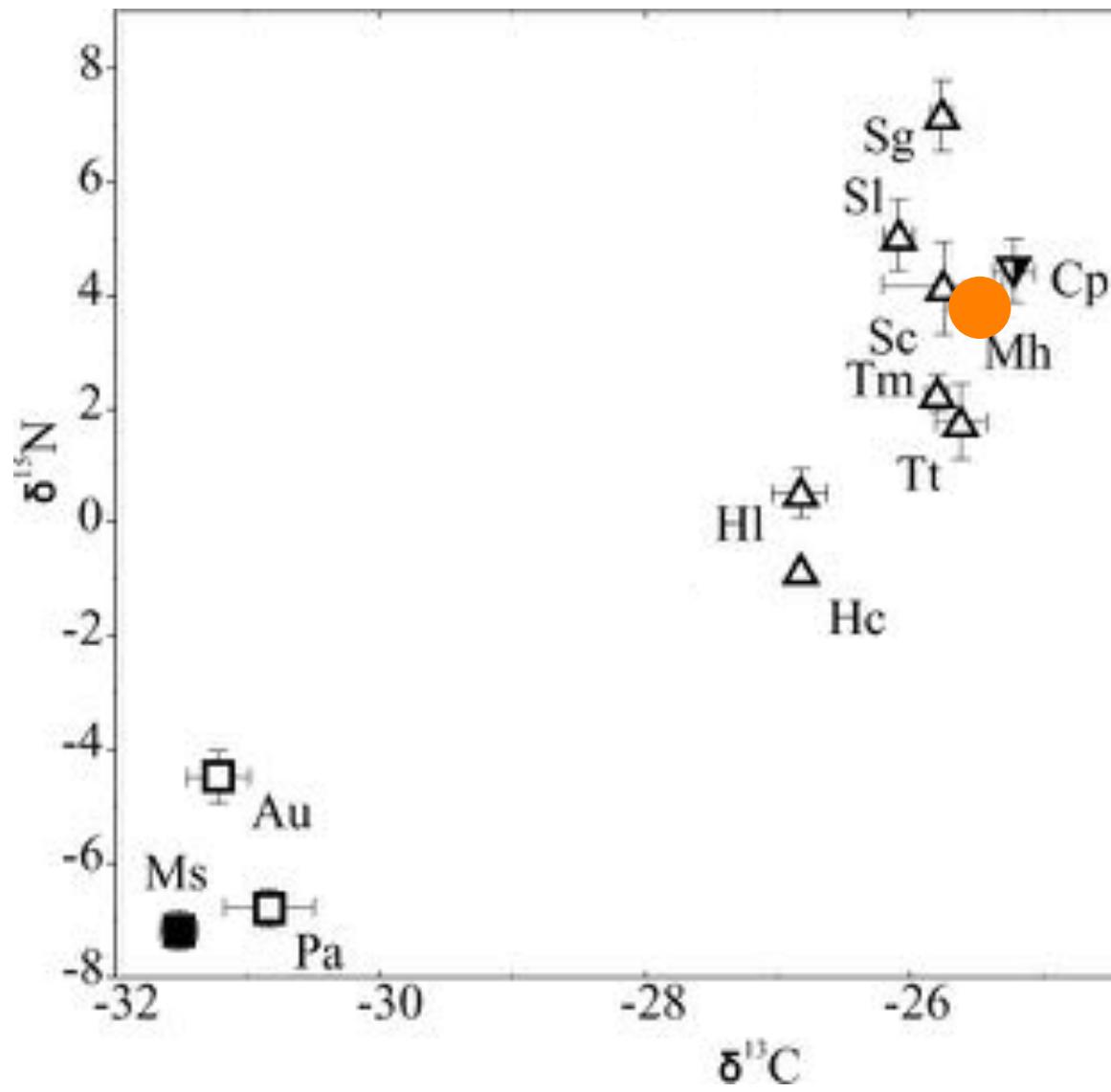
... as reflected in their spontaneous
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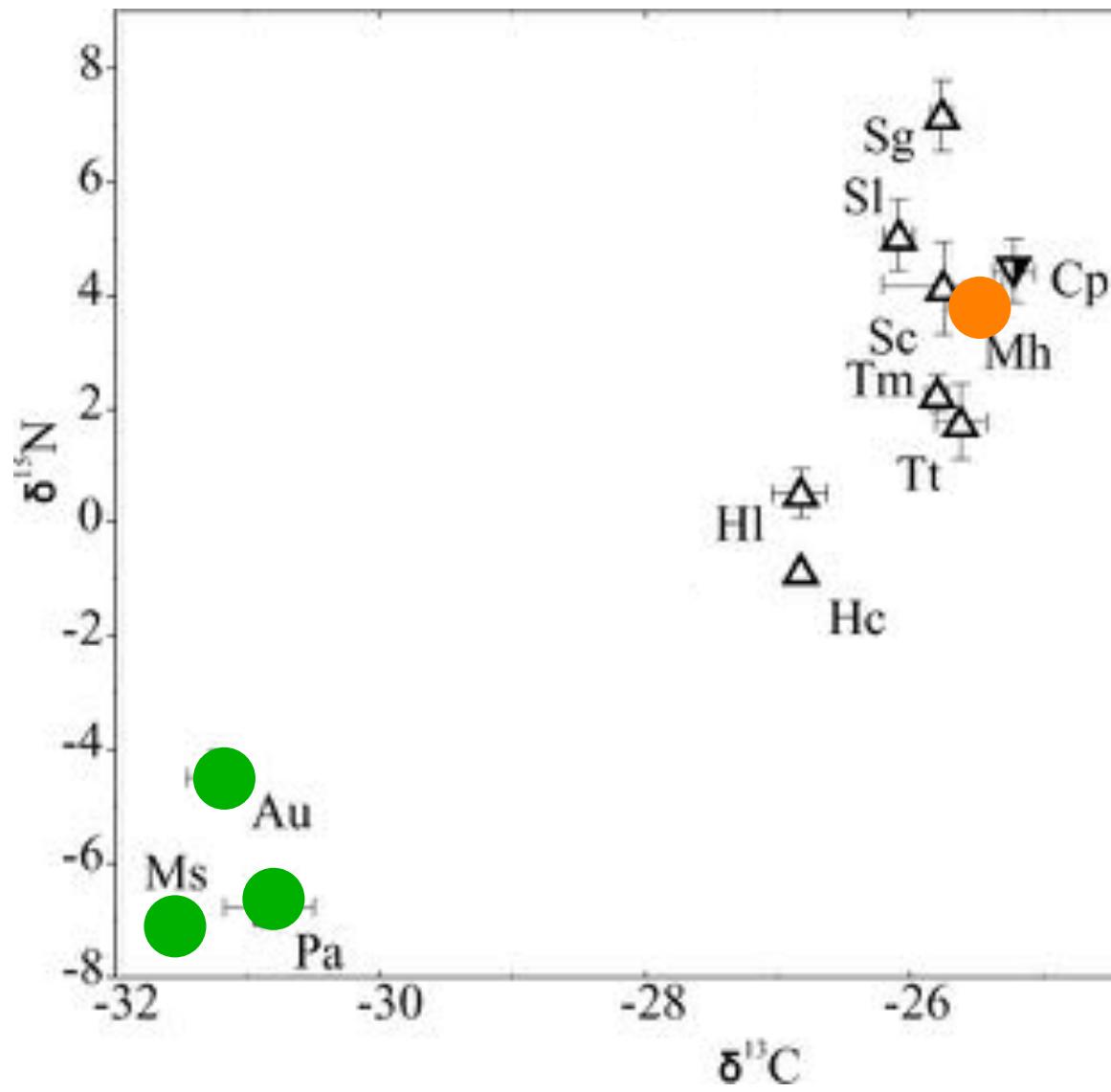




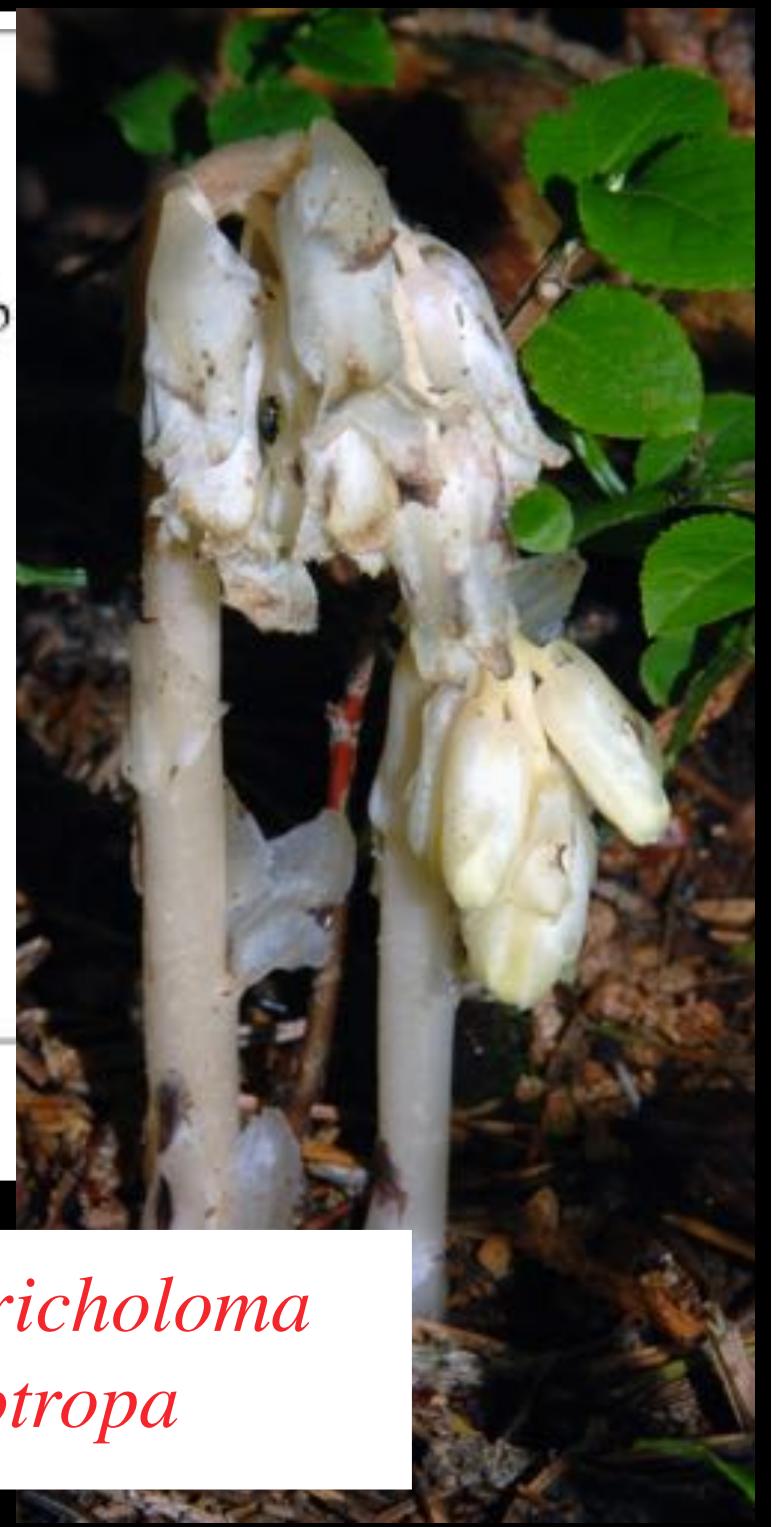
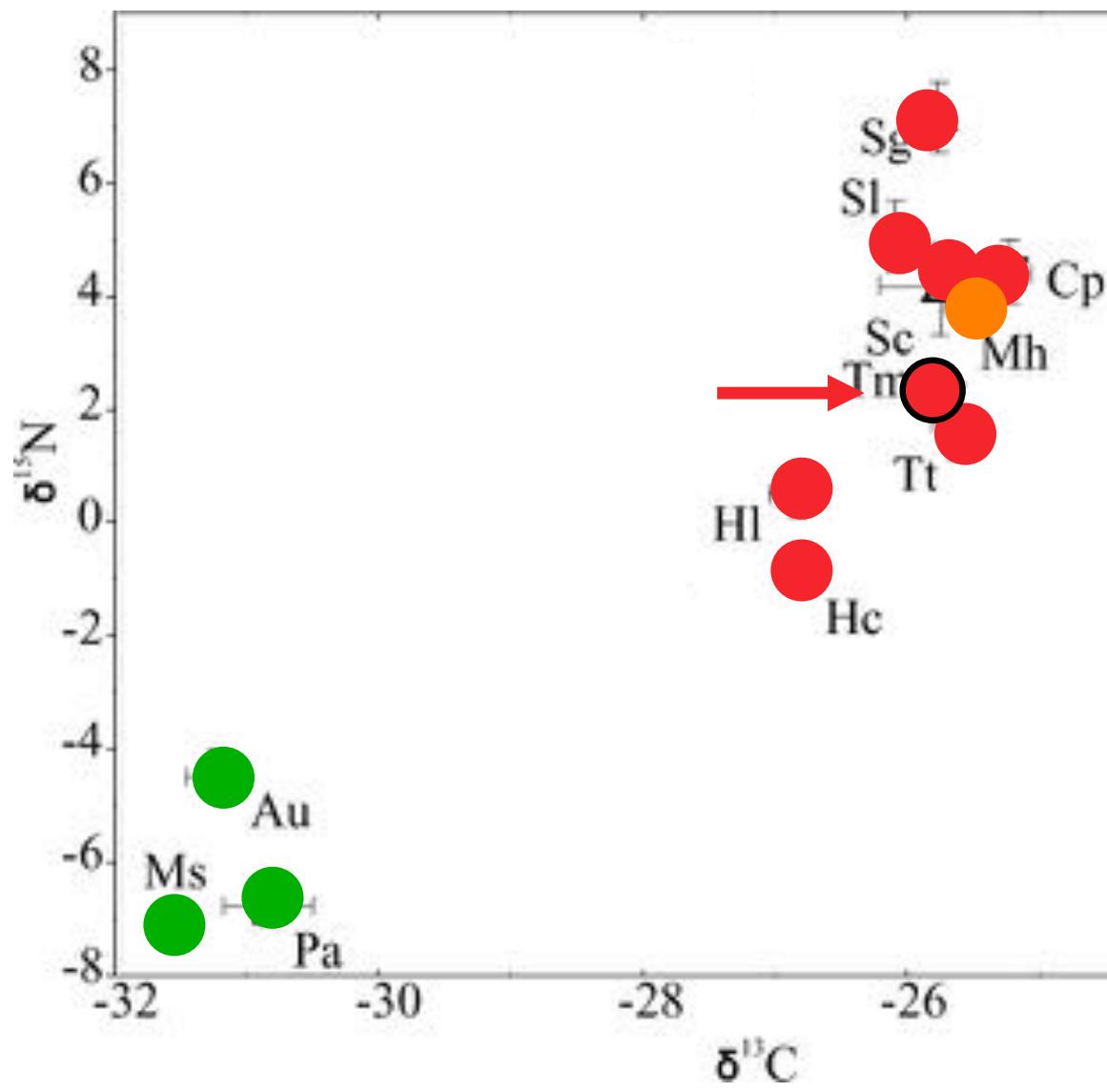
Mycoheterotrophic Ericaceae: *Hypopitys monotropa*



Tedersoo *et al.*,
2007, *Oecologia*



Autotrophs: *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*, *Picea abies*, *Melampyrum sylvaticum*

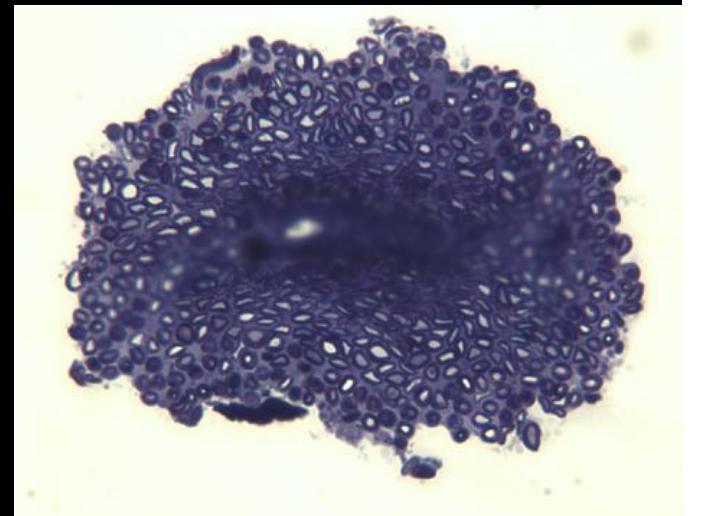


Ectomycorrhizal fungi, including *Tricholoma myomyces*, mycorrhizal on *H. monotropa*

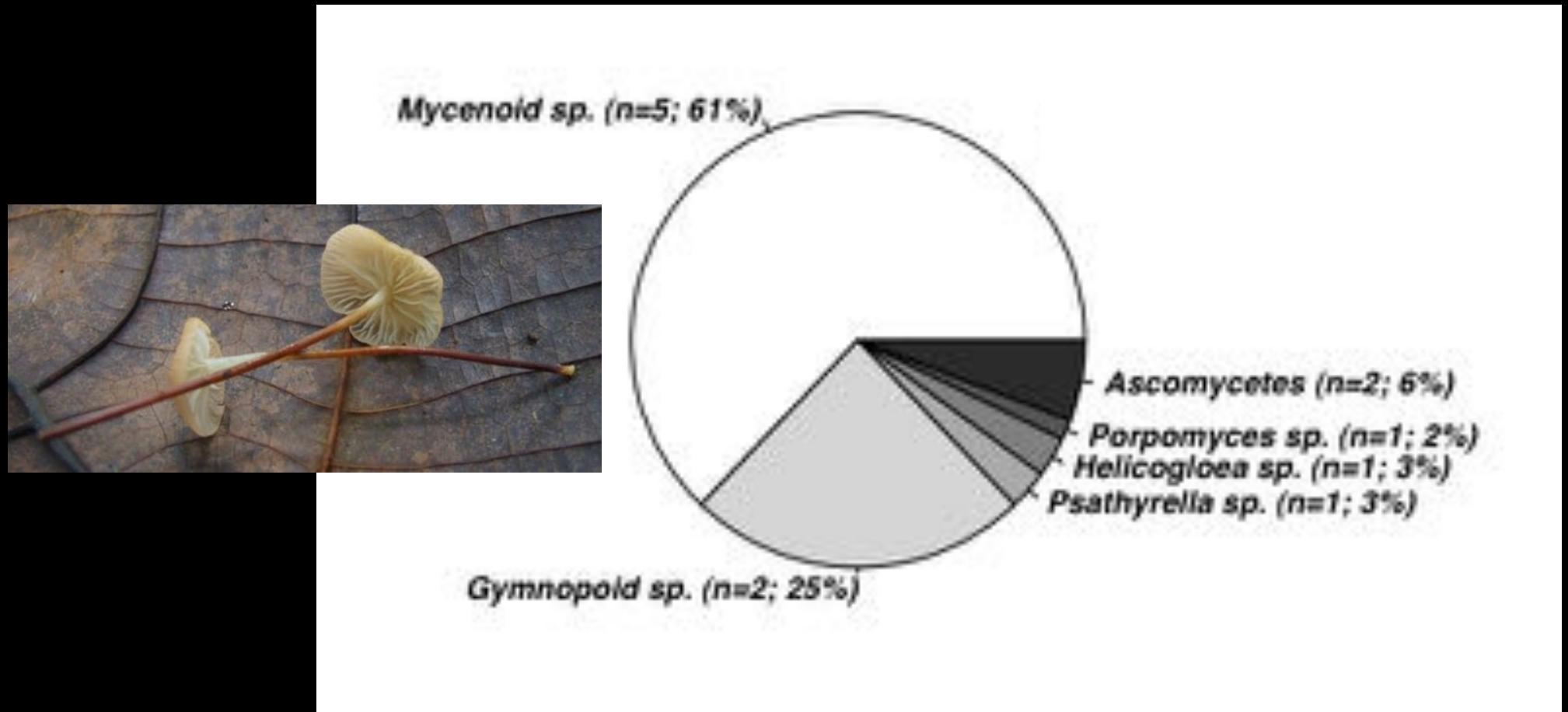


Wullschlaegelia calcrata

Rhizomorphs
(groups of
hyphae)



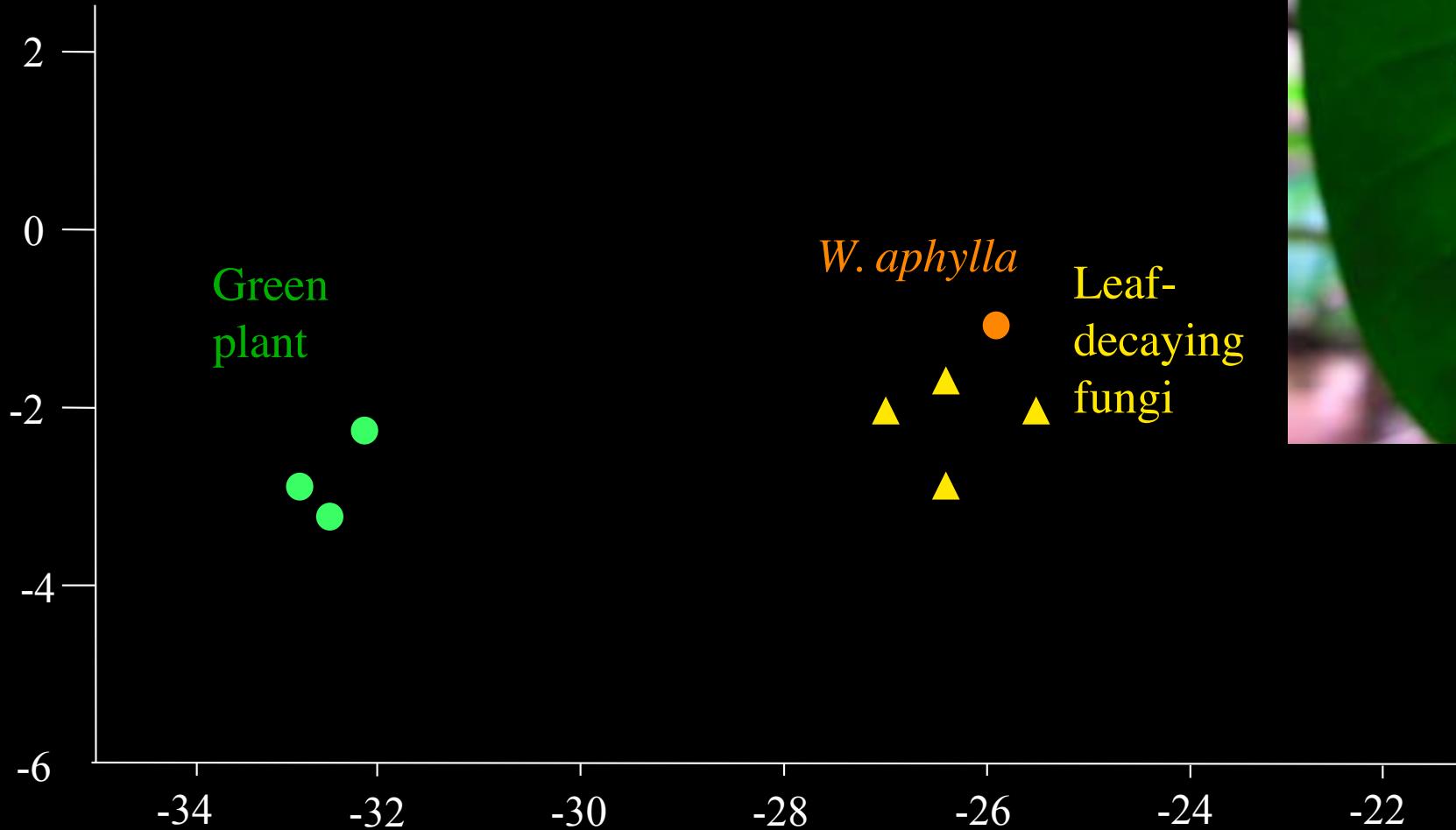
In 14 individuals from 4 sites: only saprotrophic fungi !



All are **white rot** and litter decaying fungi

No strict specificity at individual level

$\delta^{15}\text{N}$ ‰



$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ‰

Martos *et al.*, 2009 *New Phytologist* **184**: 668-681

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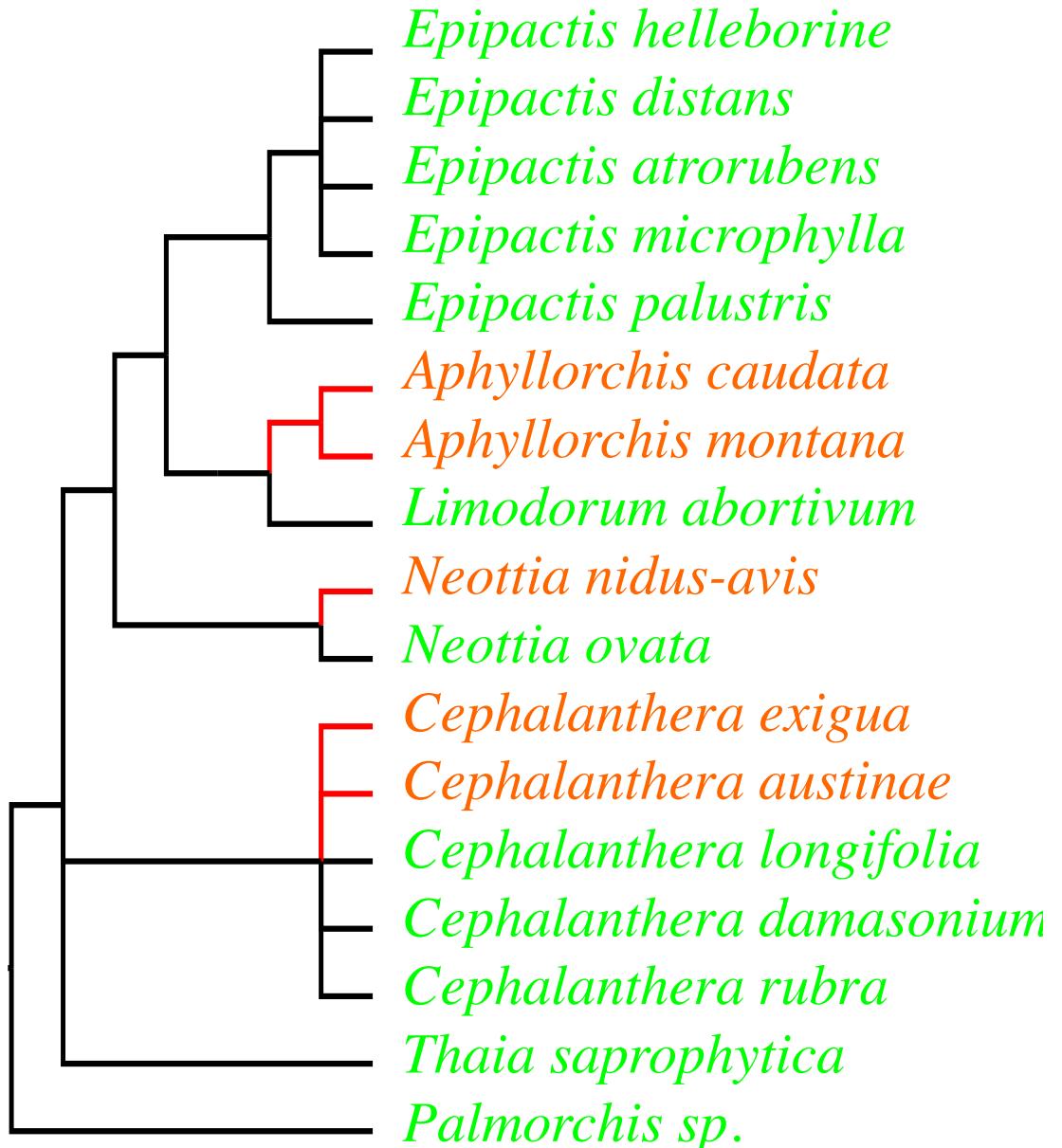
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Green orchids related to mycoheterotrophs

E.g. the Neottieae tribe,
mycoheterotrophy
arose repeatedly, by
convergent evolution
among green species

... that associate with
ectomycorrhizal fungi





*Limodorum
abortivum*



Russula delica group
Girlanda *et al.*, Mol.
Ecol., 2006

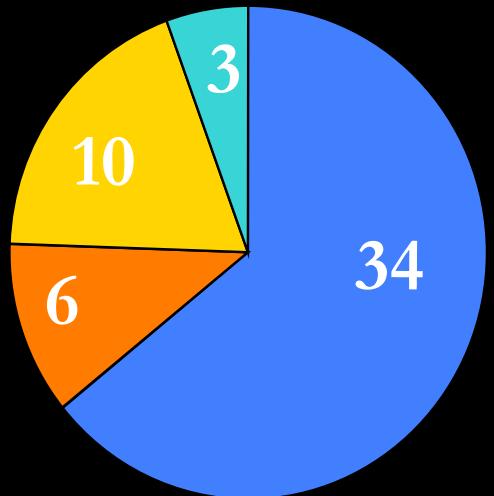
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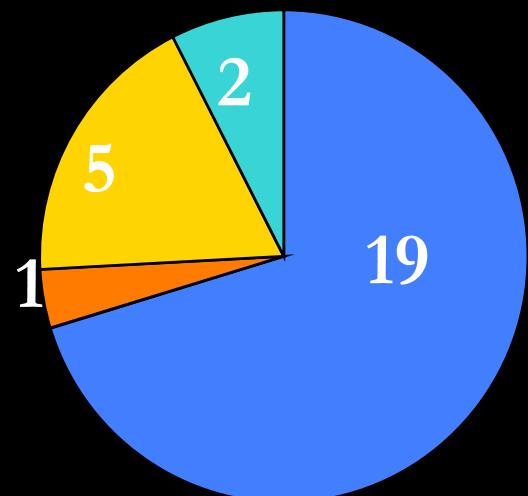
C. longifolia

Julou *et al.*, 2005



C. damasonium

Abadie *et al.*, 2006



« Rhizoctonias »

Saprophytes

Ectomycorhizal fungi

Plant endophytes or parasites

Epipactis microphylla



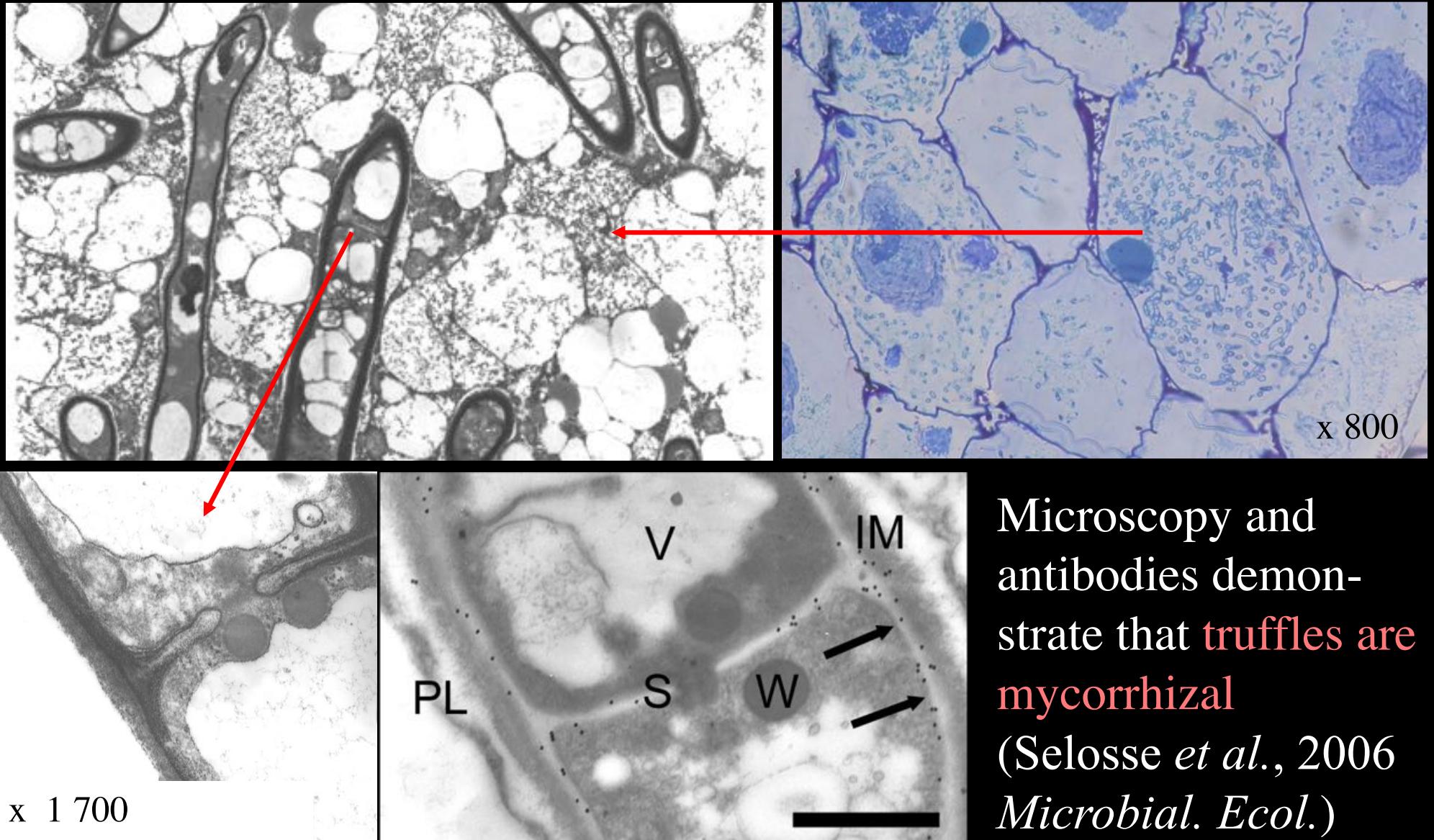
Ph. P. Pernot



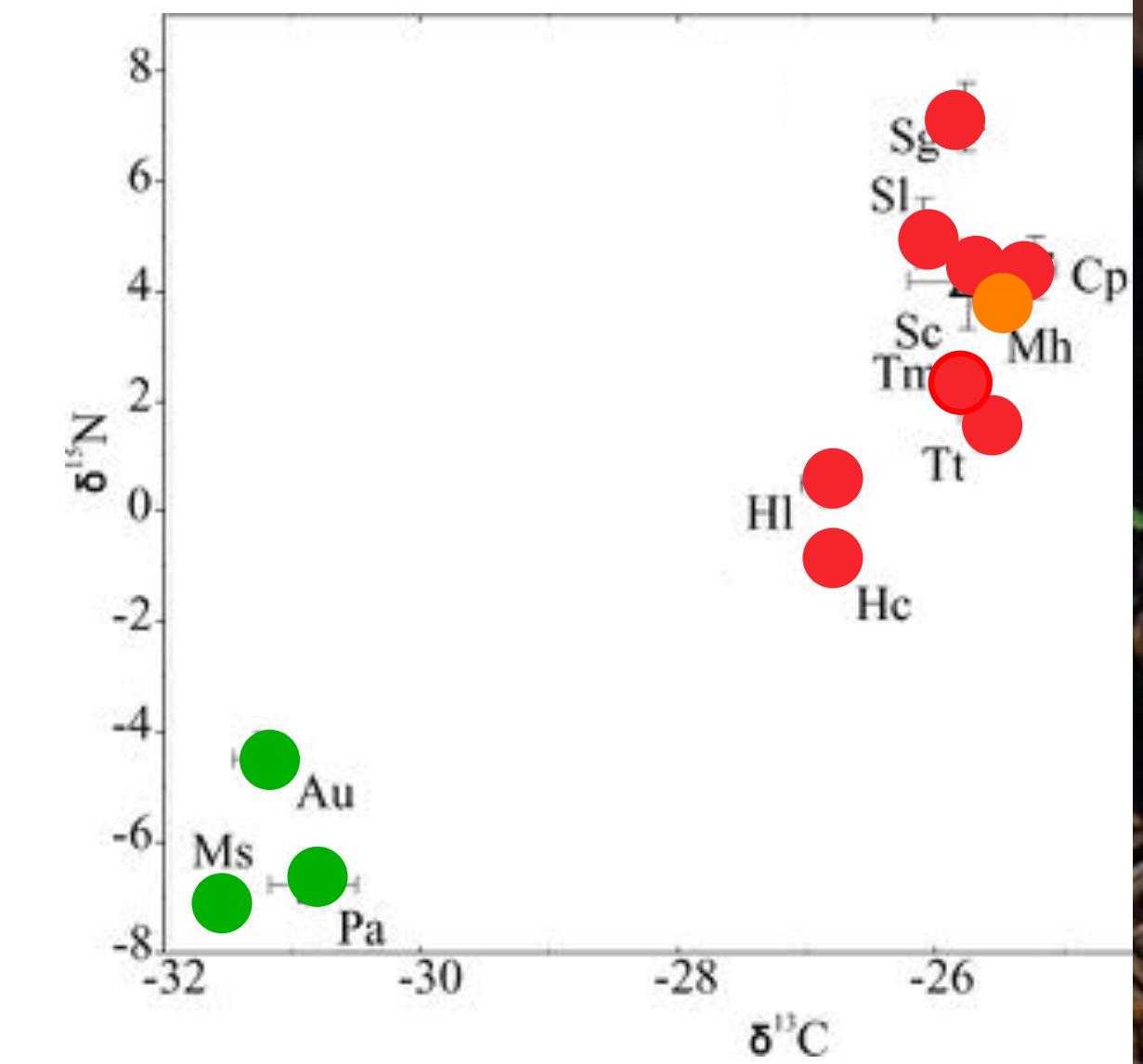
Diverse ectomycorrhizal
fungi, mainly **truffles** spp.

Selosse *et al.*, *Microb.
Ecol.*, 2006

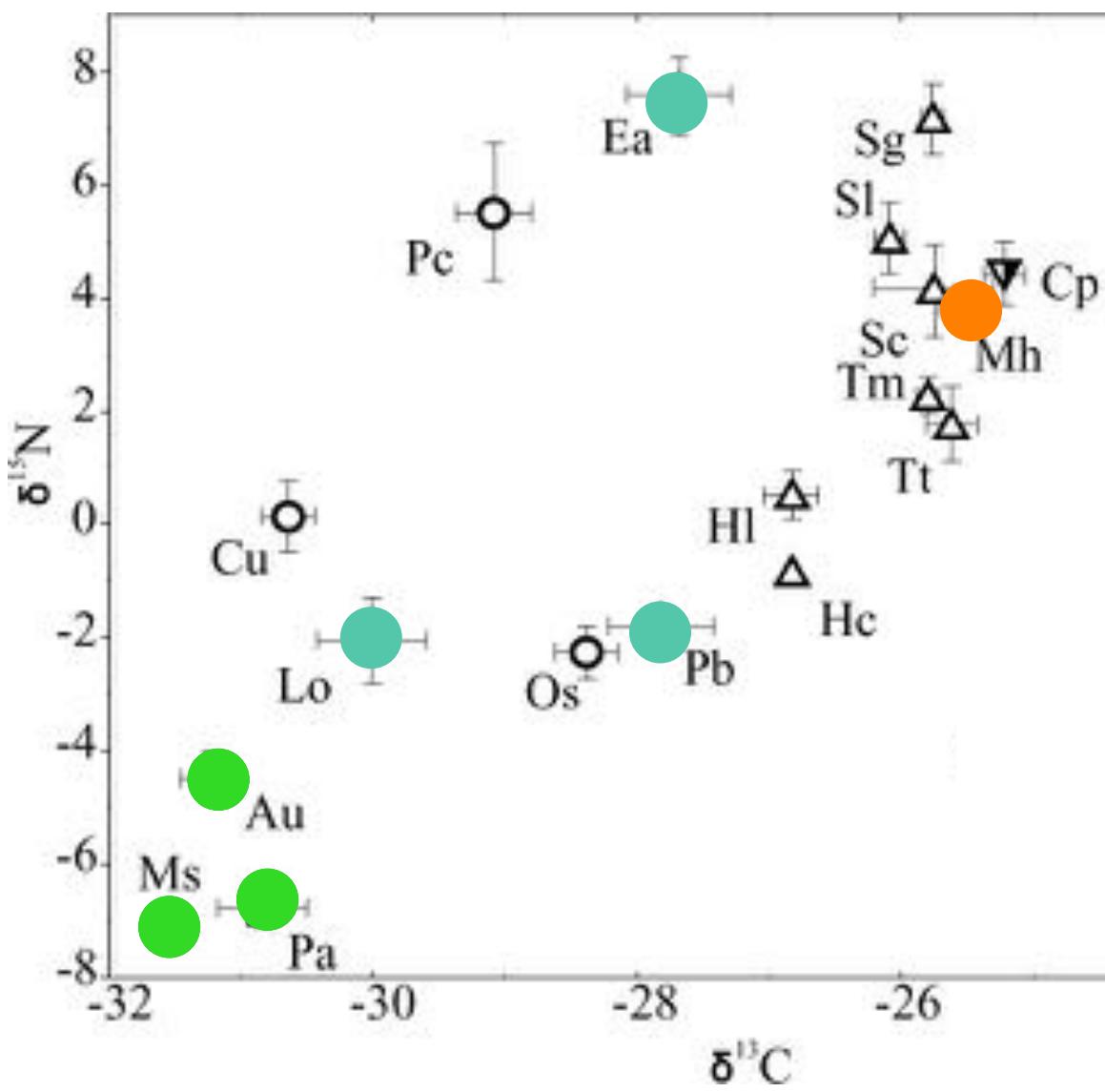
Epipactis microphylla associates with truffles



Microscopy and antibodies demonstrate that truffles are mycorrhizal
(Selosse *et al.*, 2006
Microbial. Ecol.)



Tedersoo *et al.*, 2007, *Oecologia*

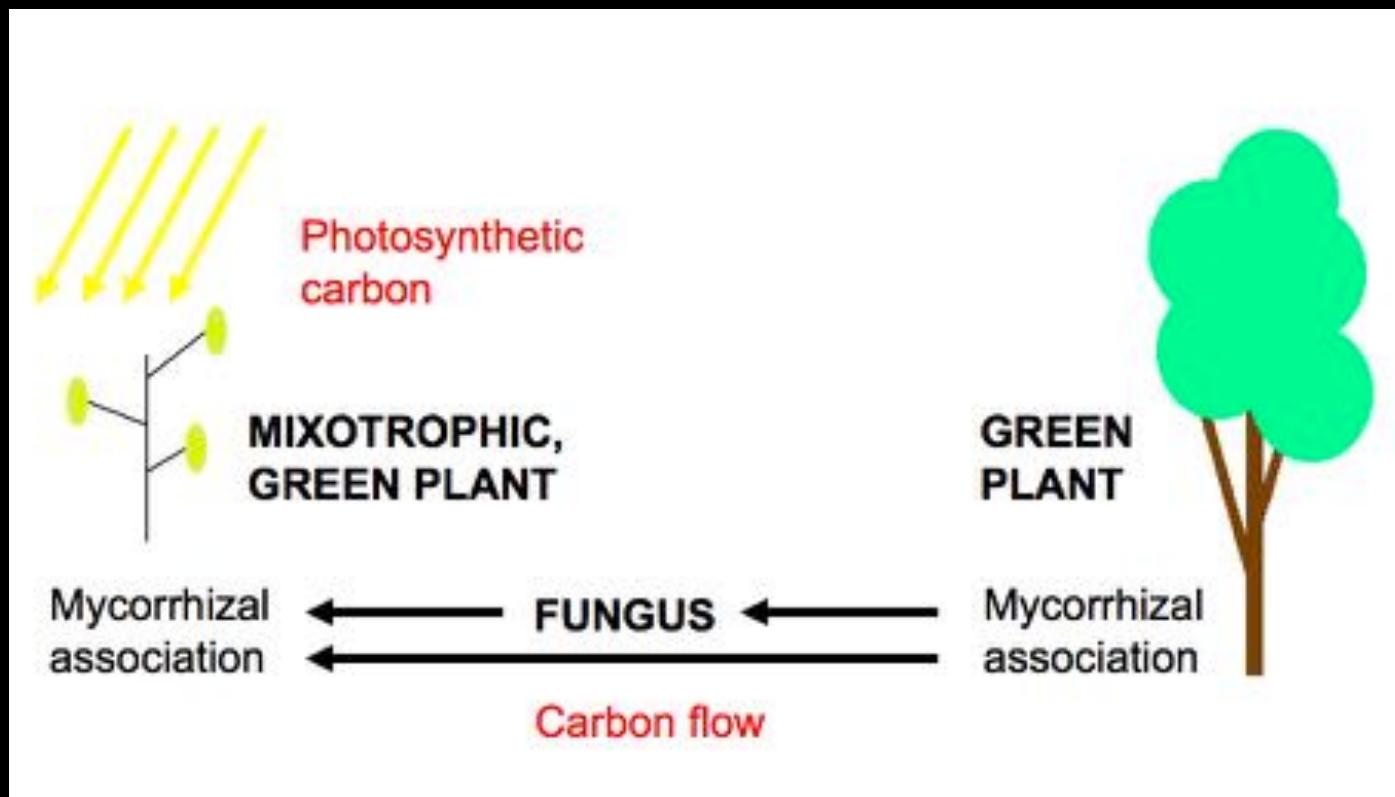


« Green » orchids: *Listera ovata*,
Platanthera bifolia, *Epipactis atrorubens*



MIXOTROPHY

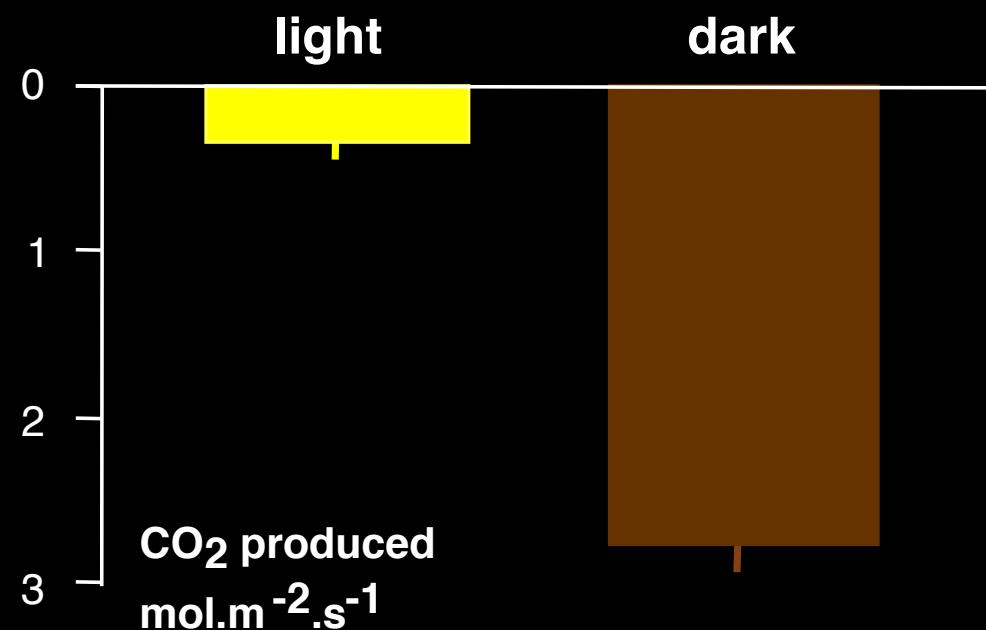
Exploiting both the mycorrhizal network & photosynthesis...



... as reflected in their ^{13}C & ^{15}N abundances

Limodorum abortivum

A green orchid photosynthesizing
below the compensation point



Girlanda *et al.*, *Mol. Ecol.*, 2006

In **mixotrophic** orchid species, achlorophyllous variants, the **albinos**,

... survive as mycoheterotrophs!

Cephalanthera damasonium

(P. Pernot & F. Dusak)



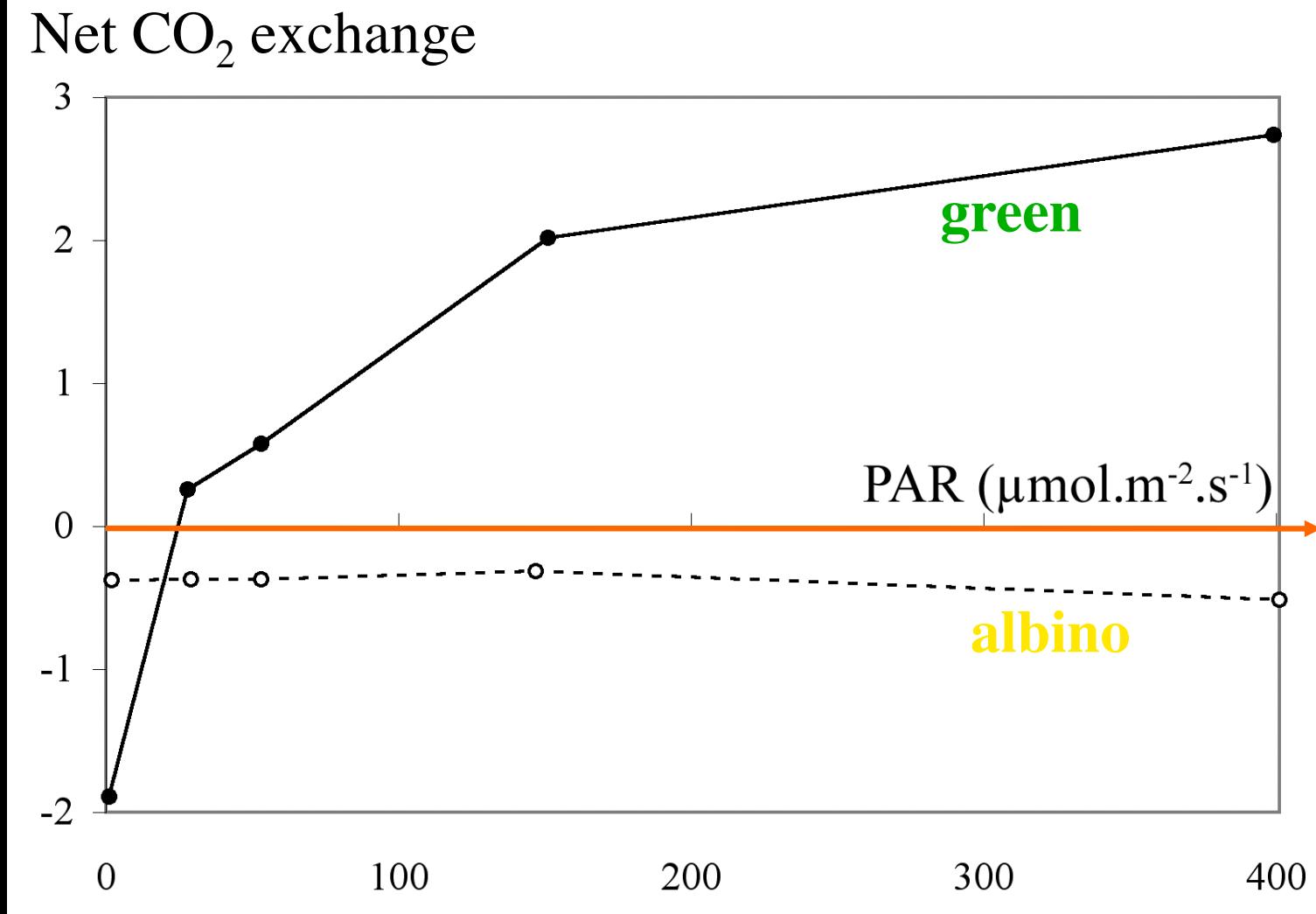


Epipactis purpurata

(A. Hasenfratz)



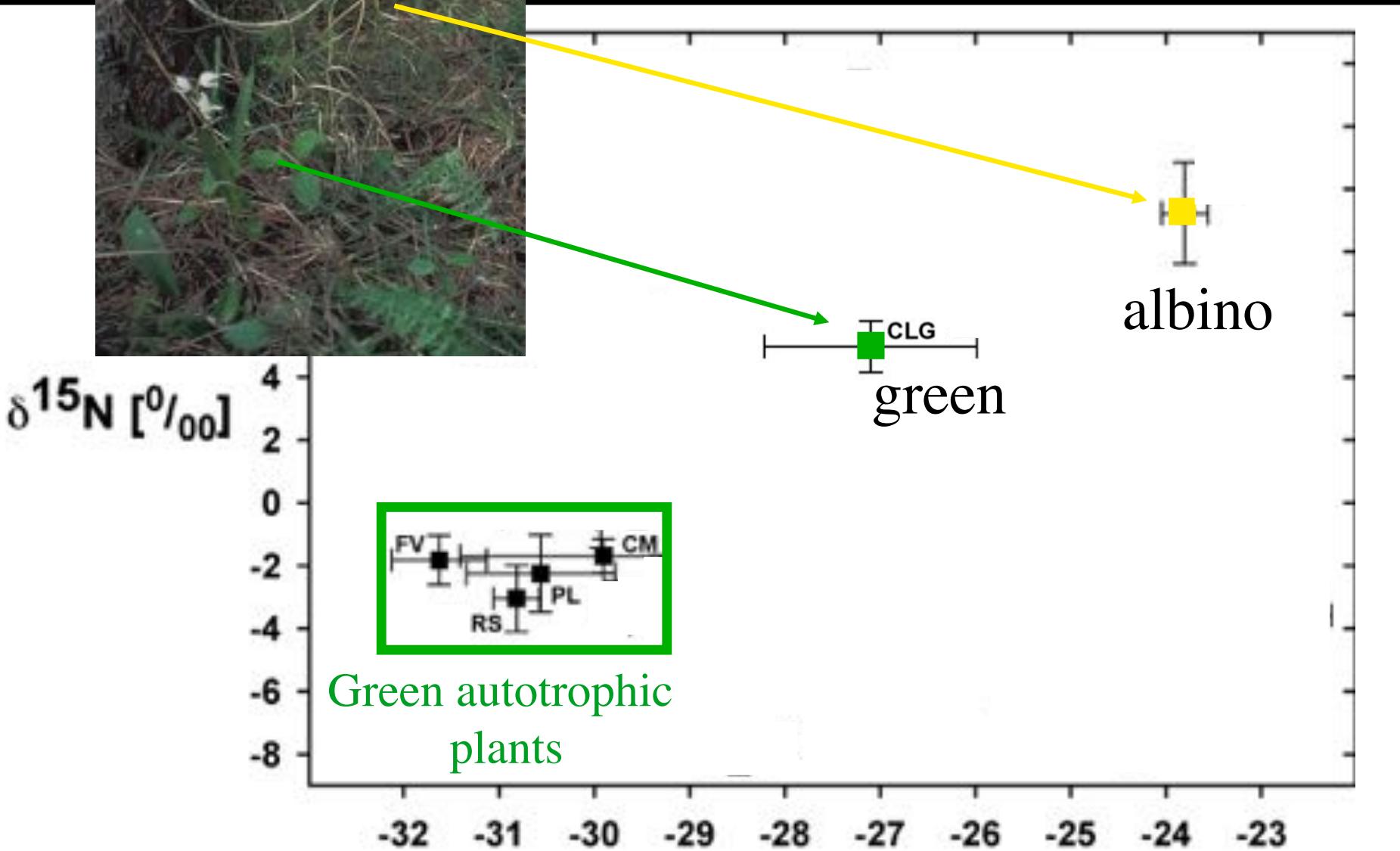
Gas exchange in *C. damasonium*



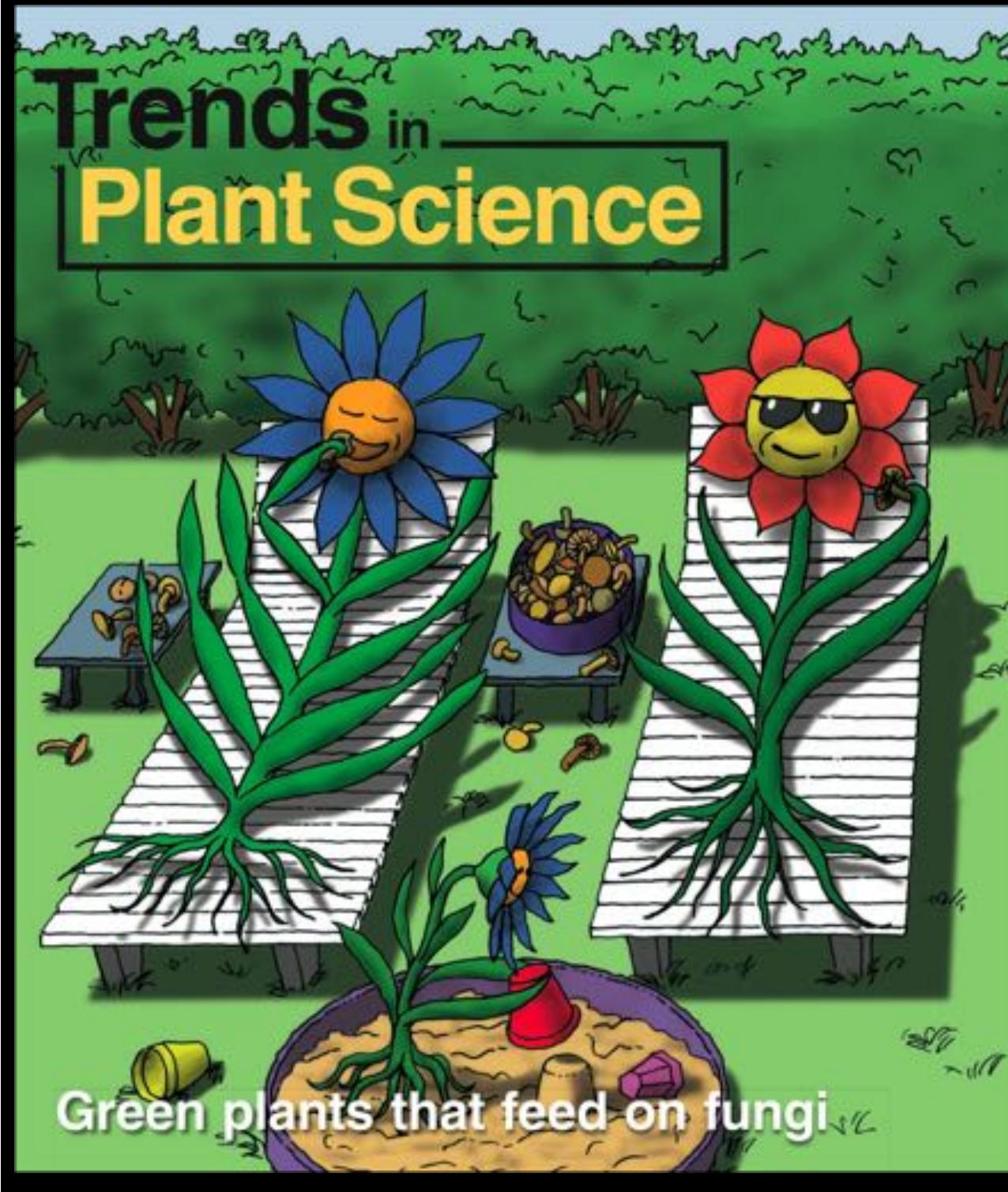
PAR = photosynthetic active radiations

Julou *et al.* 2005, *New Phytol.*

Isotopes in *C. longifolia*



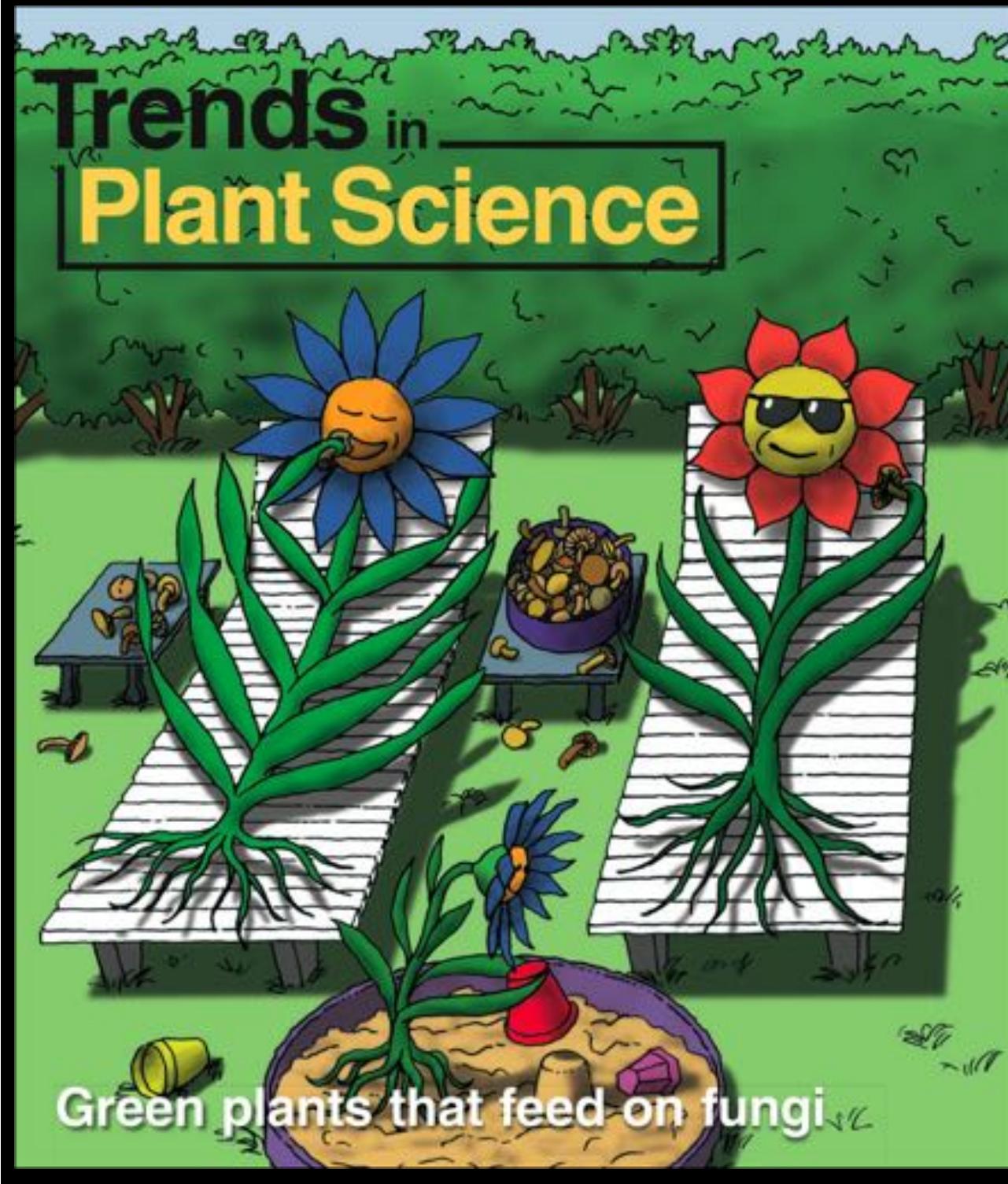
Abadie *et al.* 2006, Botany



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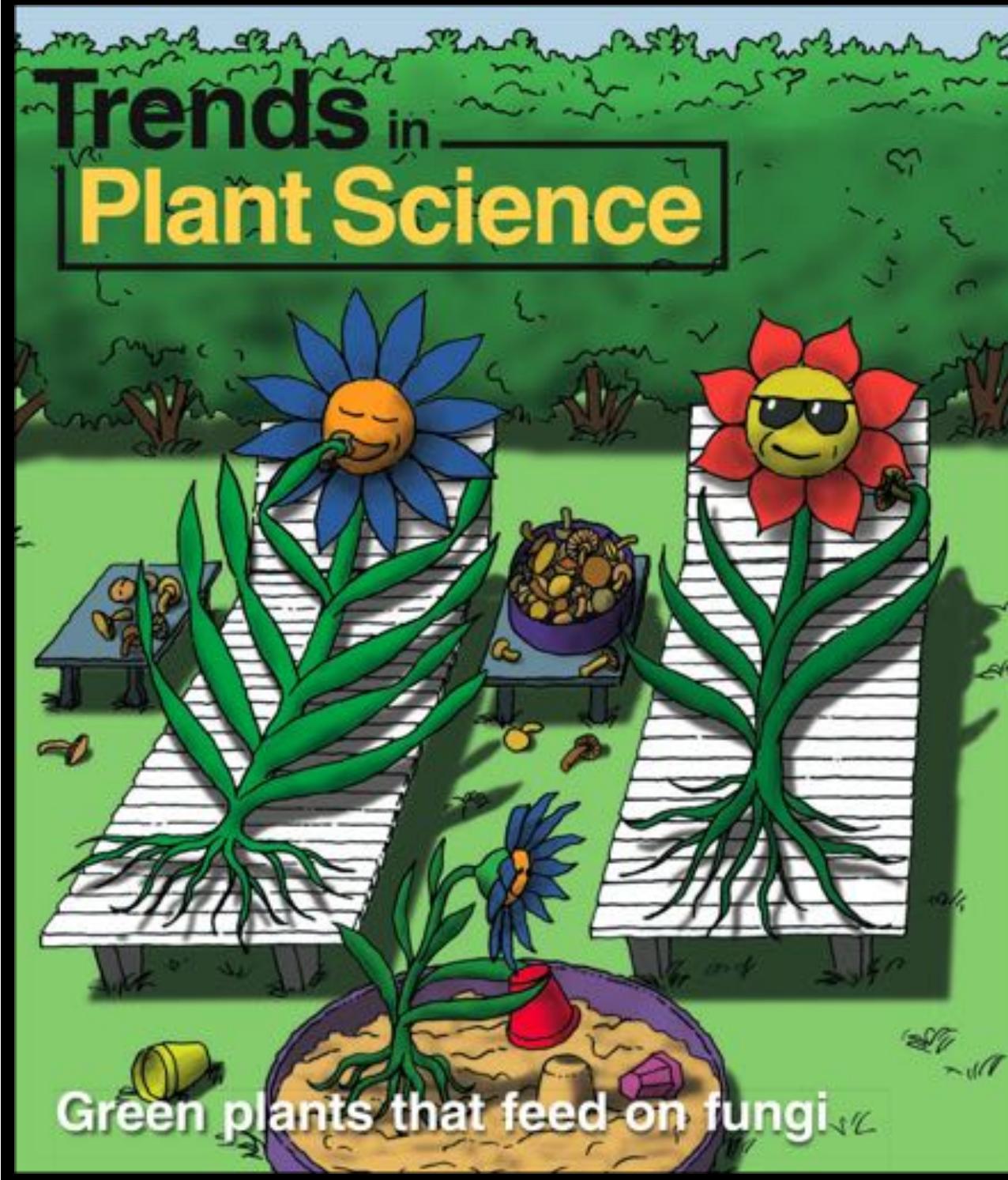
Selosse & Roy, 2009



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Many mutation could
abolish greenness, yet
albinos remain very rare
in **mixotrophic orchid**
populations...

Why then?



Roy *et al.* 2013,
Ecol. Monographs
83: 95–117

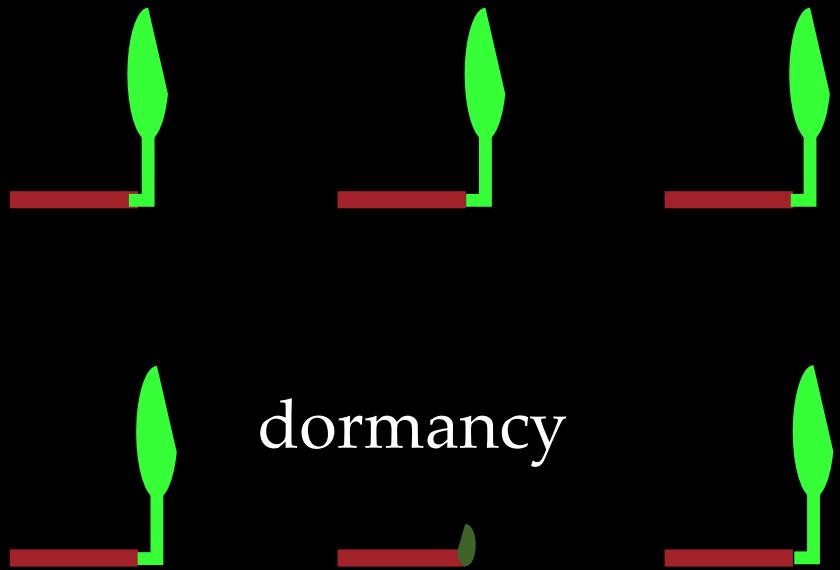


A 4-year monitoring of two
Cephalanthera damasonium
populations, with 20-70 albinos

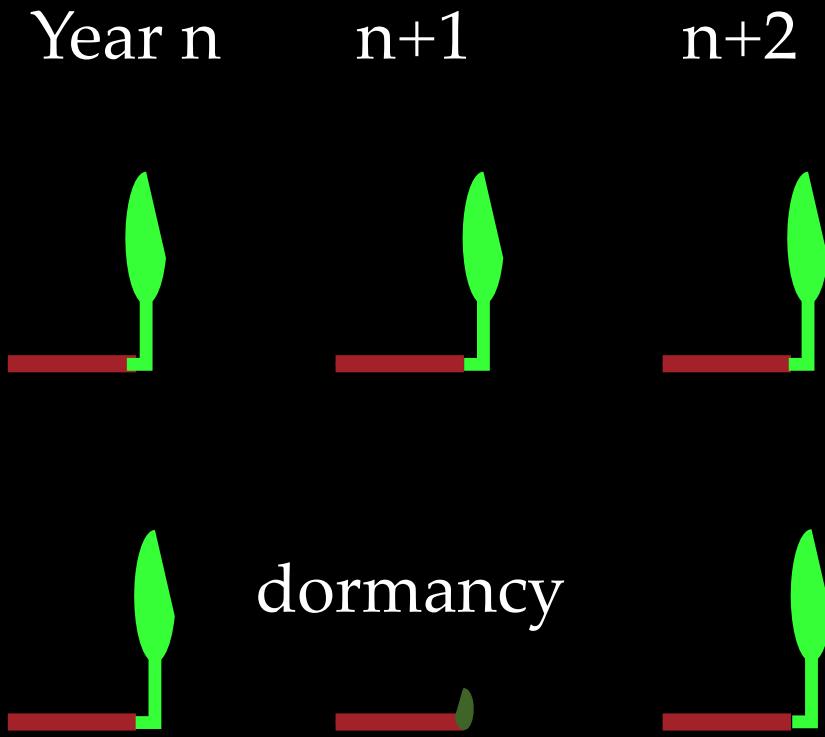


Dormancy...

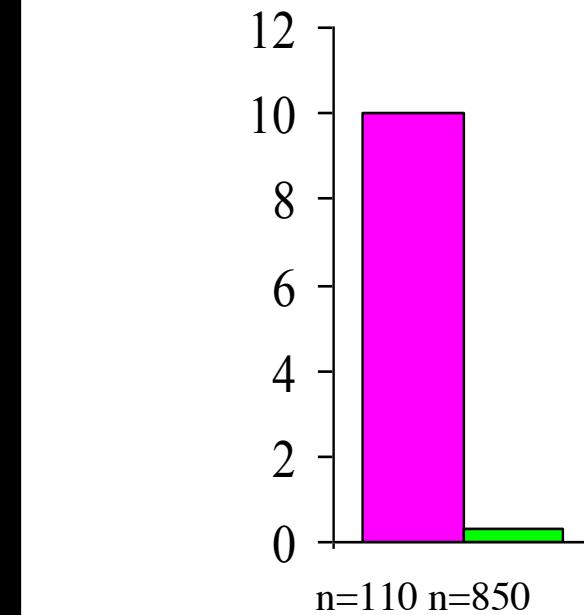
Year n n+1 n+2



Dormancy: more frequent!



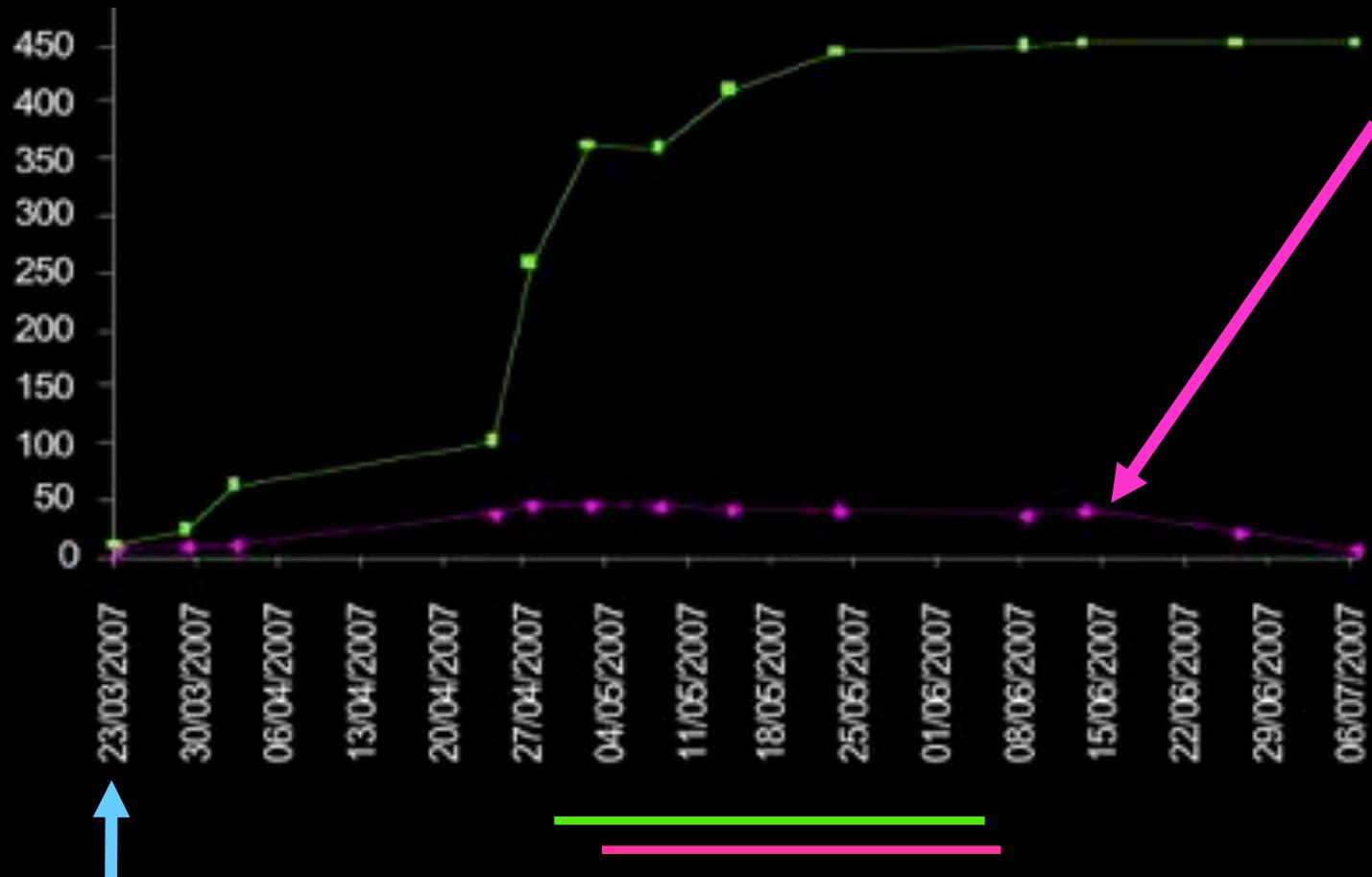
% of dormant individuals in 2007



Albinos were 16.5x more often dormant than green individuals

Shoot survival...

Number of shoots



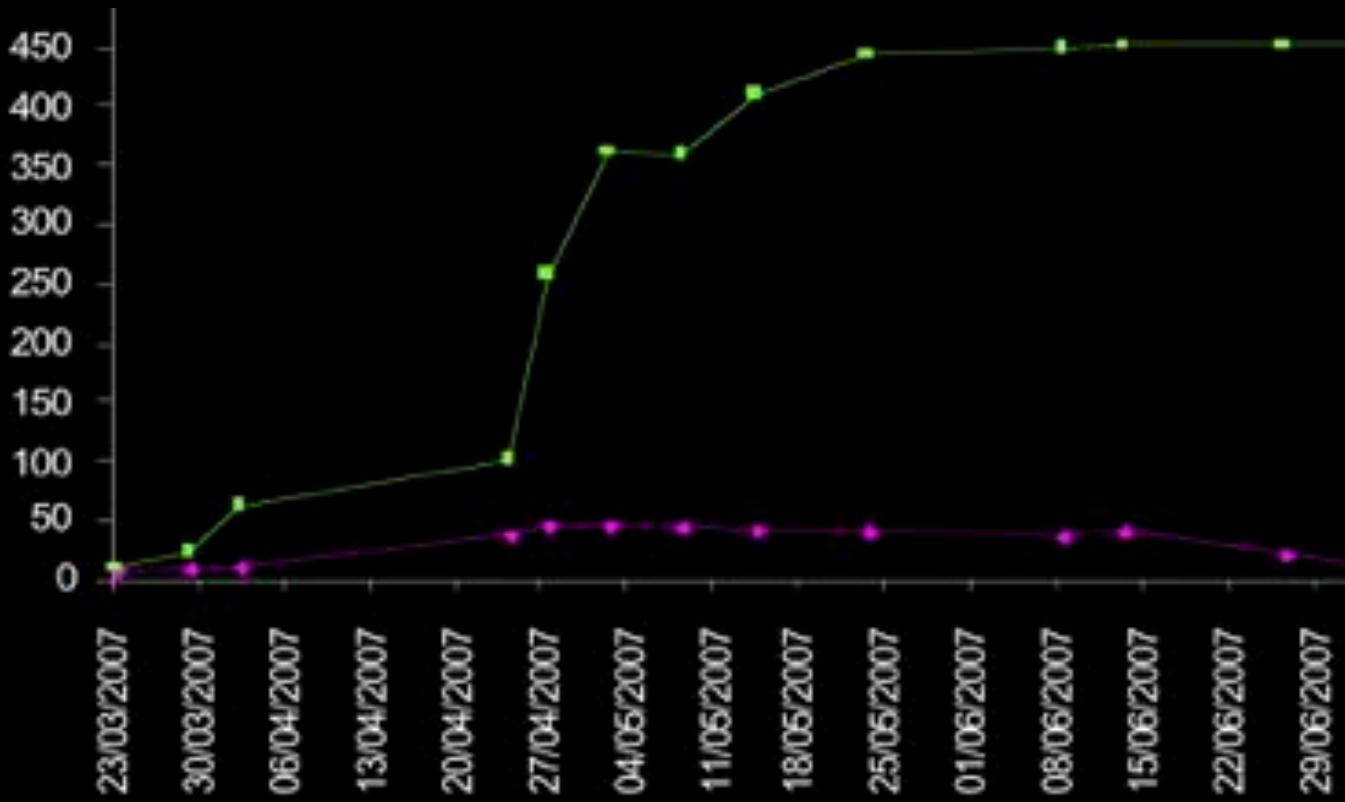
Apparition
of shoots

Flowering time

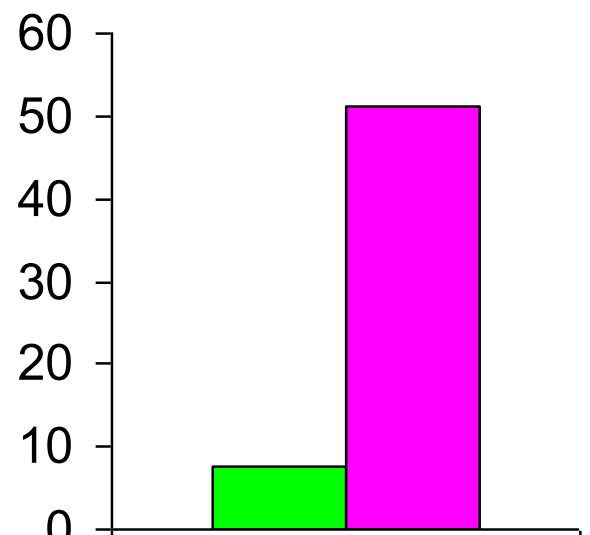


Shoot survival: lower!

Number of shoots



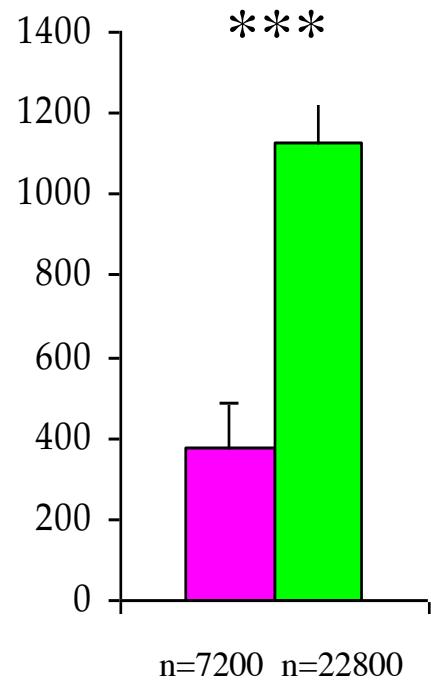
% shoots dried in
late June 2007



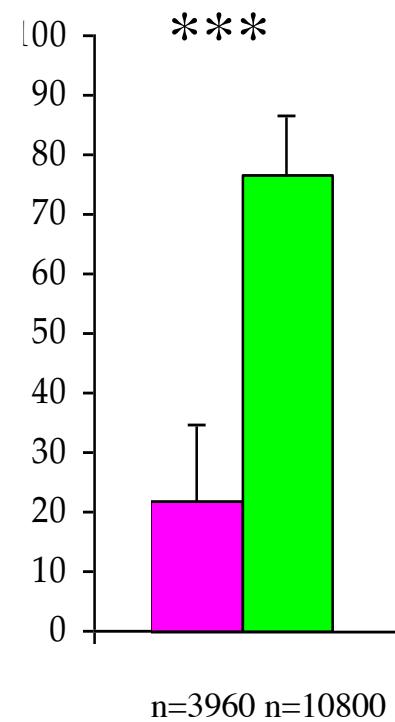
51% **albino** shoots dry in June (vs 7% for **green** ones) > no seeds!

Seed production and quality: lower...

Number of seeds
per fruits (x10)



% of seeds germinating *in situ*
in seeds pockets (3 months)



3 x 3 less viable seeds in **albinos!**

Comparison green ind. / albinos

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**WHY DID ALBINOS
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mycoheterotrophic C
versus photosynthetic
C in **mixotrophic**
orchids

based on $\delta^{13}\text{C}$

(and N content)

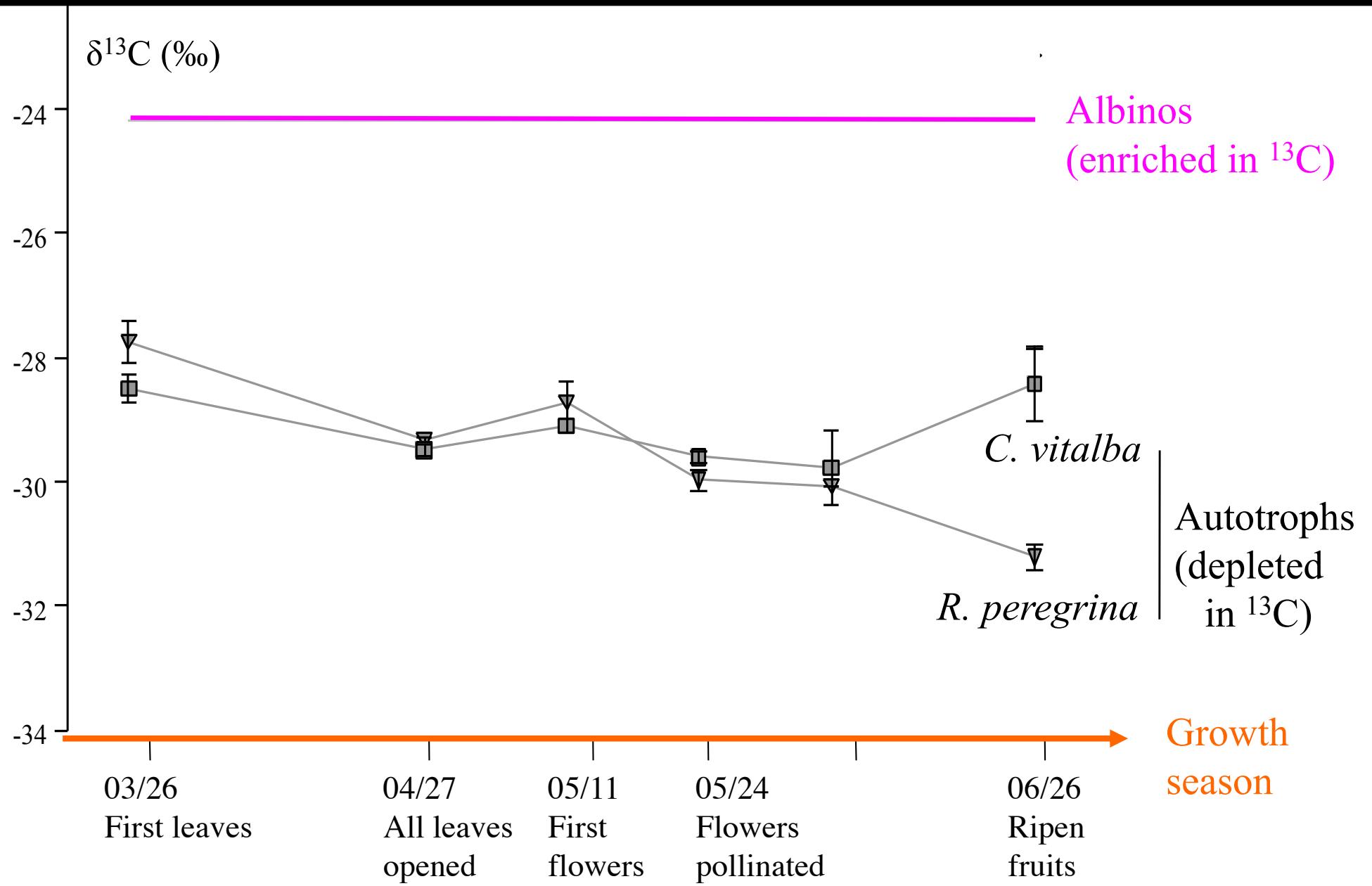


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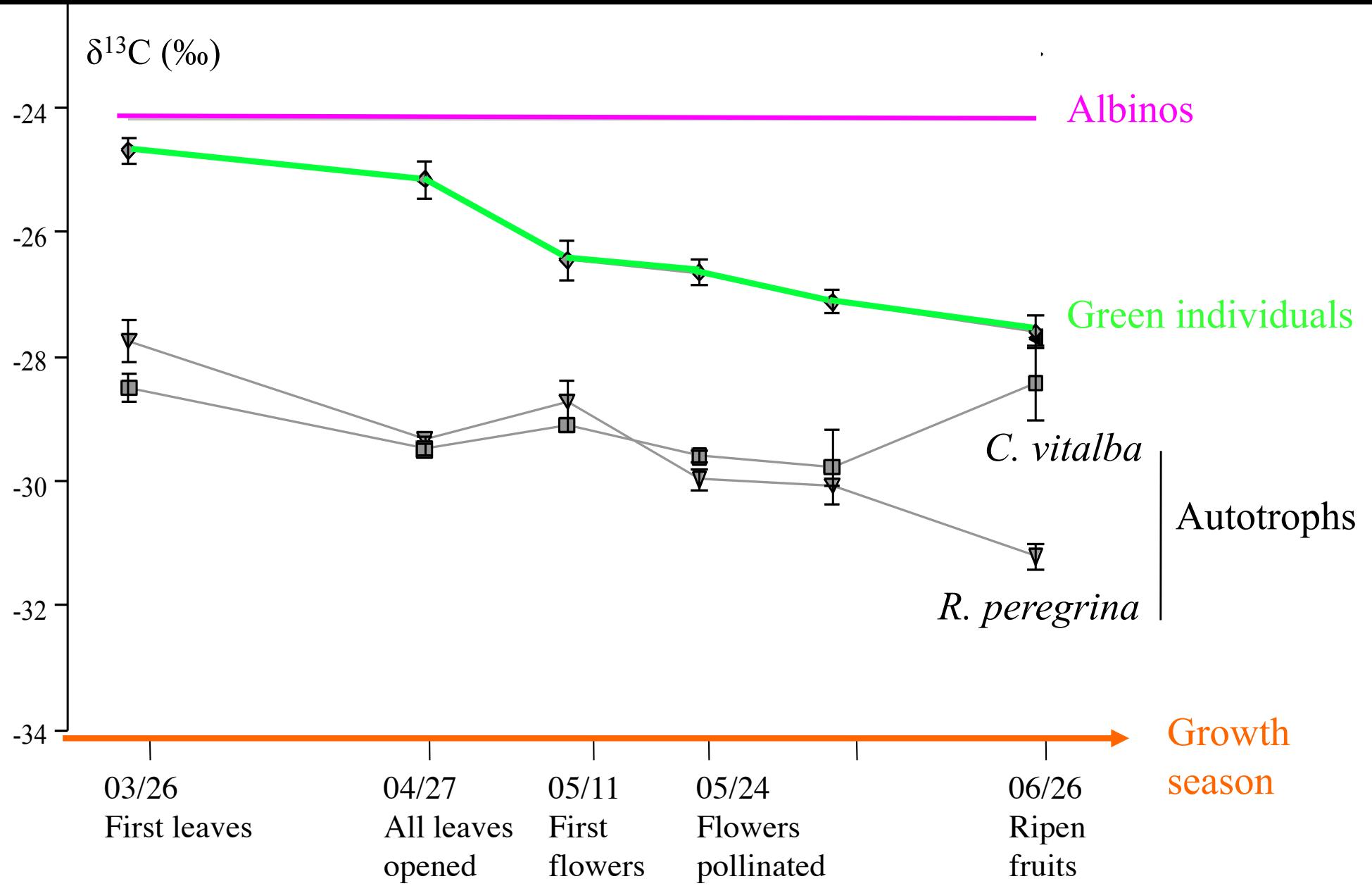
In shoots



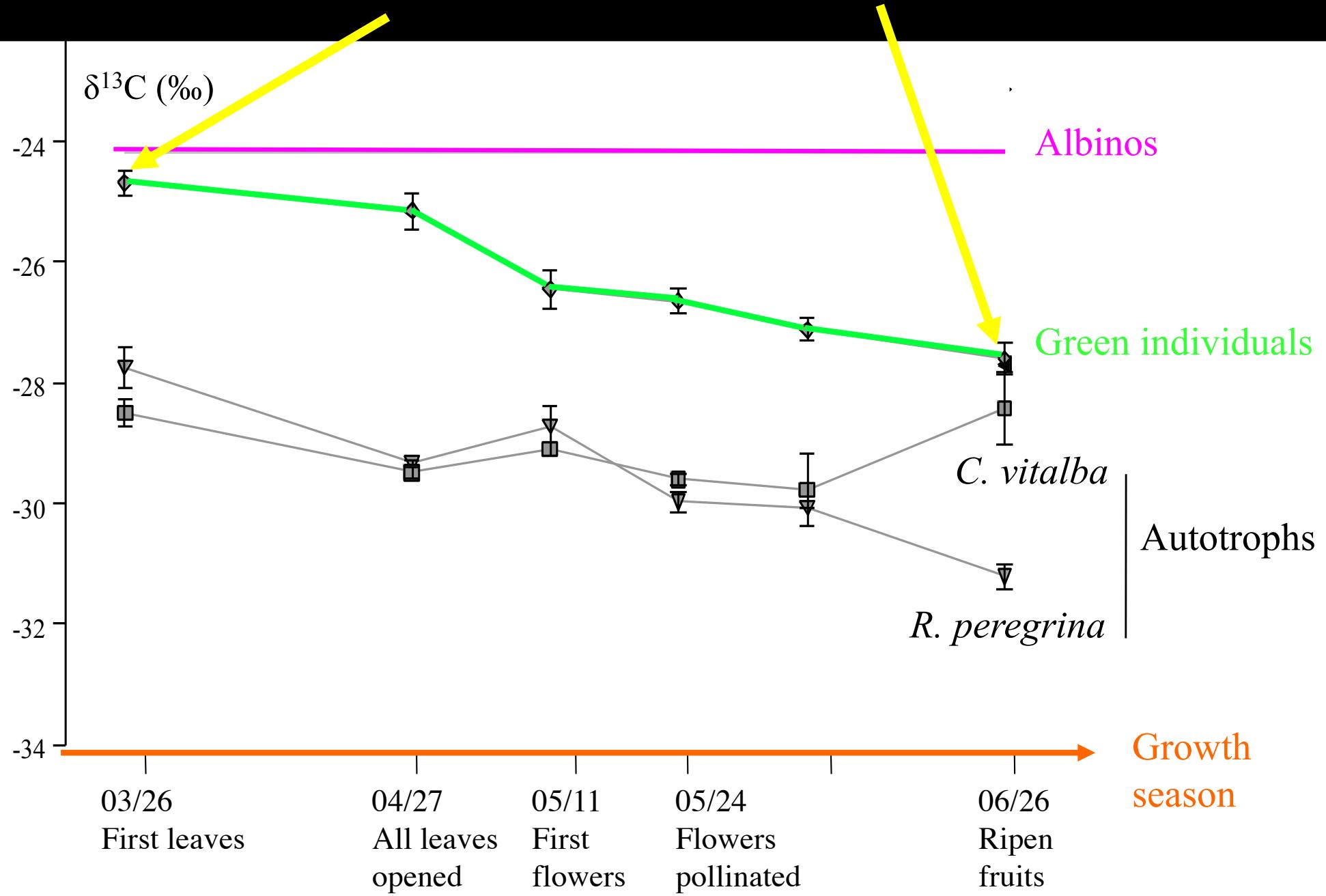
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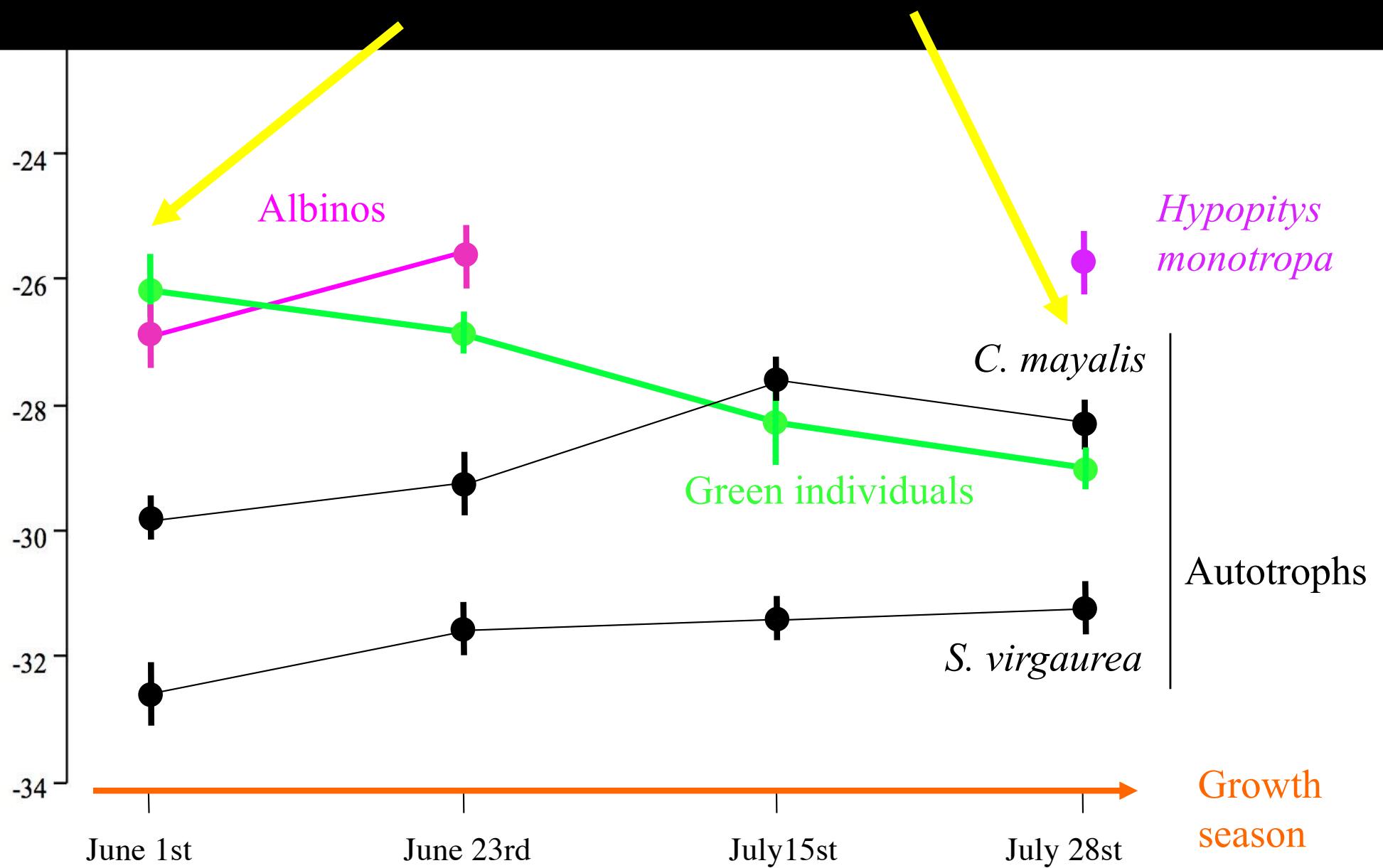
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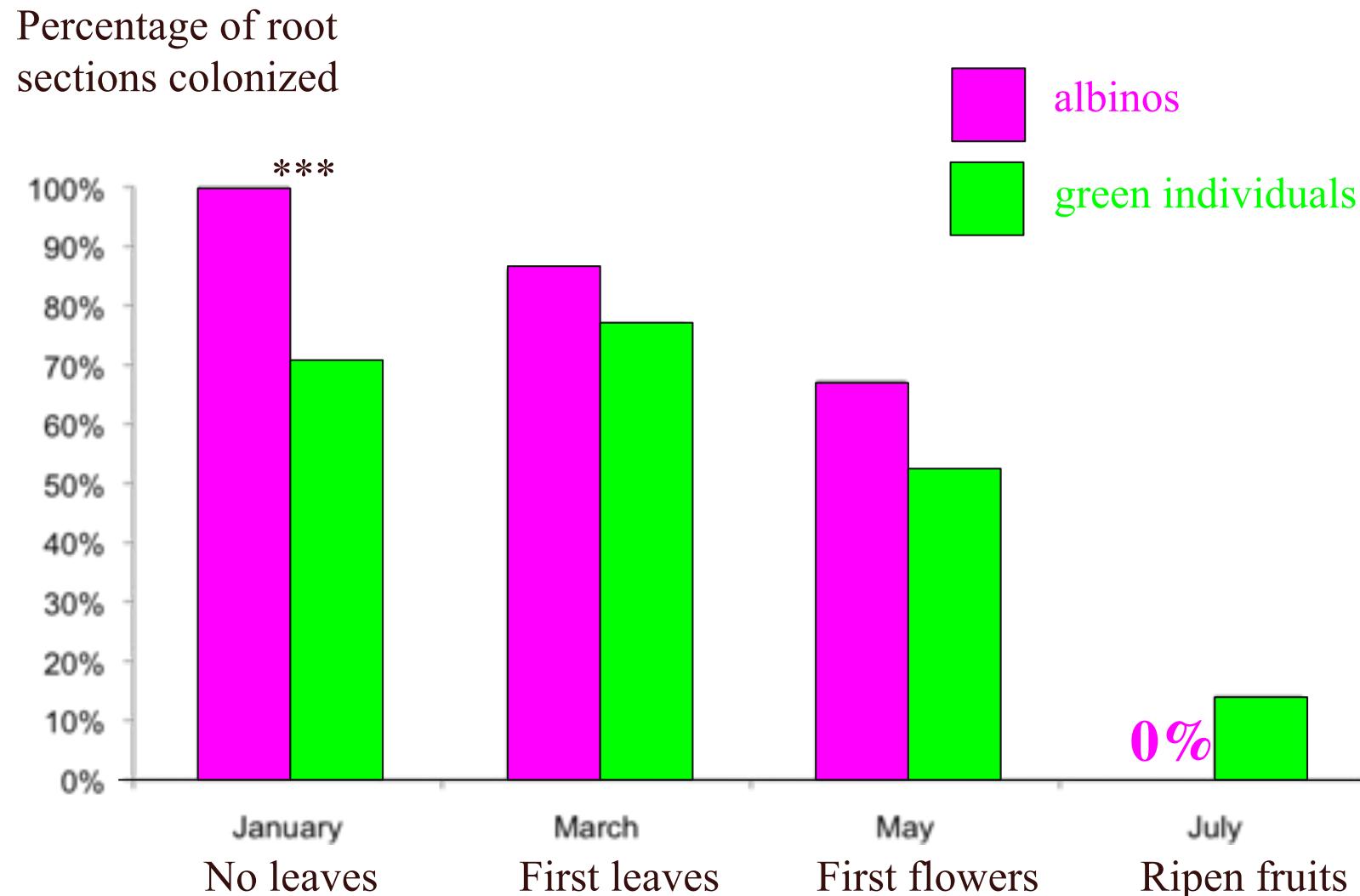
A shift from **80%** heterotrophic to **20%** at fruiting!



A shift from 100% heterotrophic to 20% in *E. helleborine*

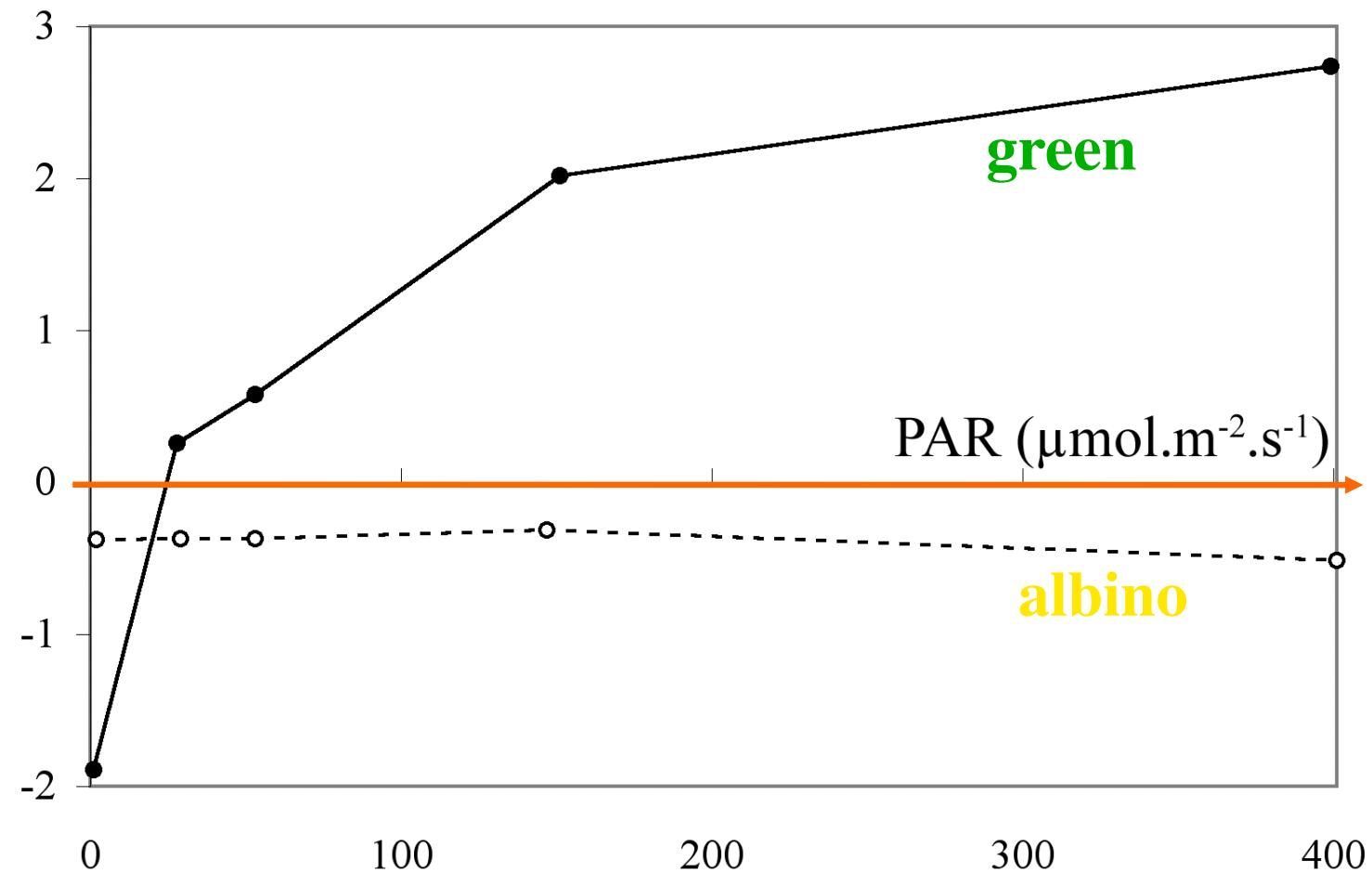


A decrease of mycorrhizal colonization at fruiting in *C. damasonium*



Gaz exchange in *C. damasonium*

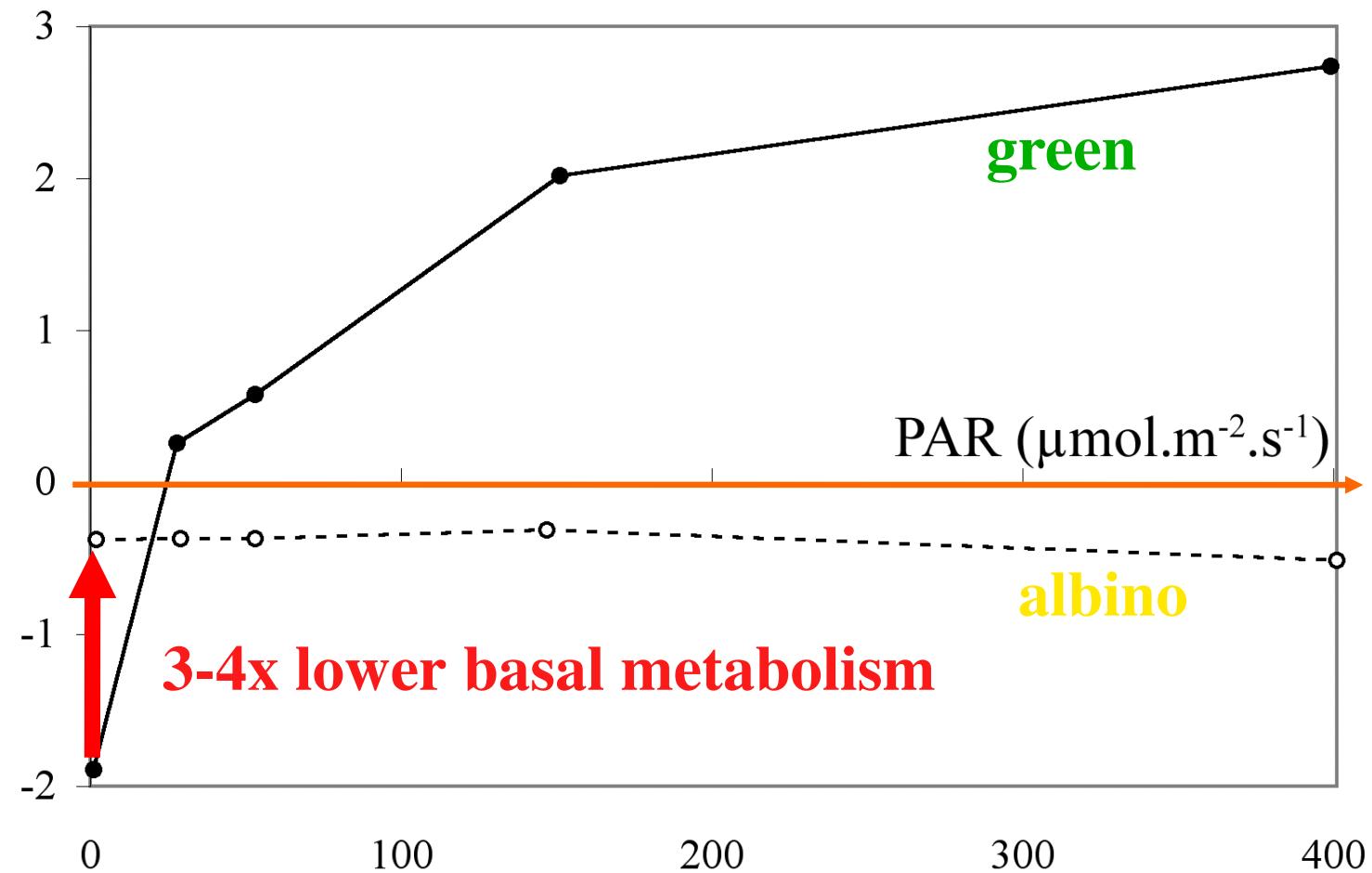
Net CO₂ exchange



Julou *et al.*, 2005, *New Phytol.*

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... a carbon limitation ?

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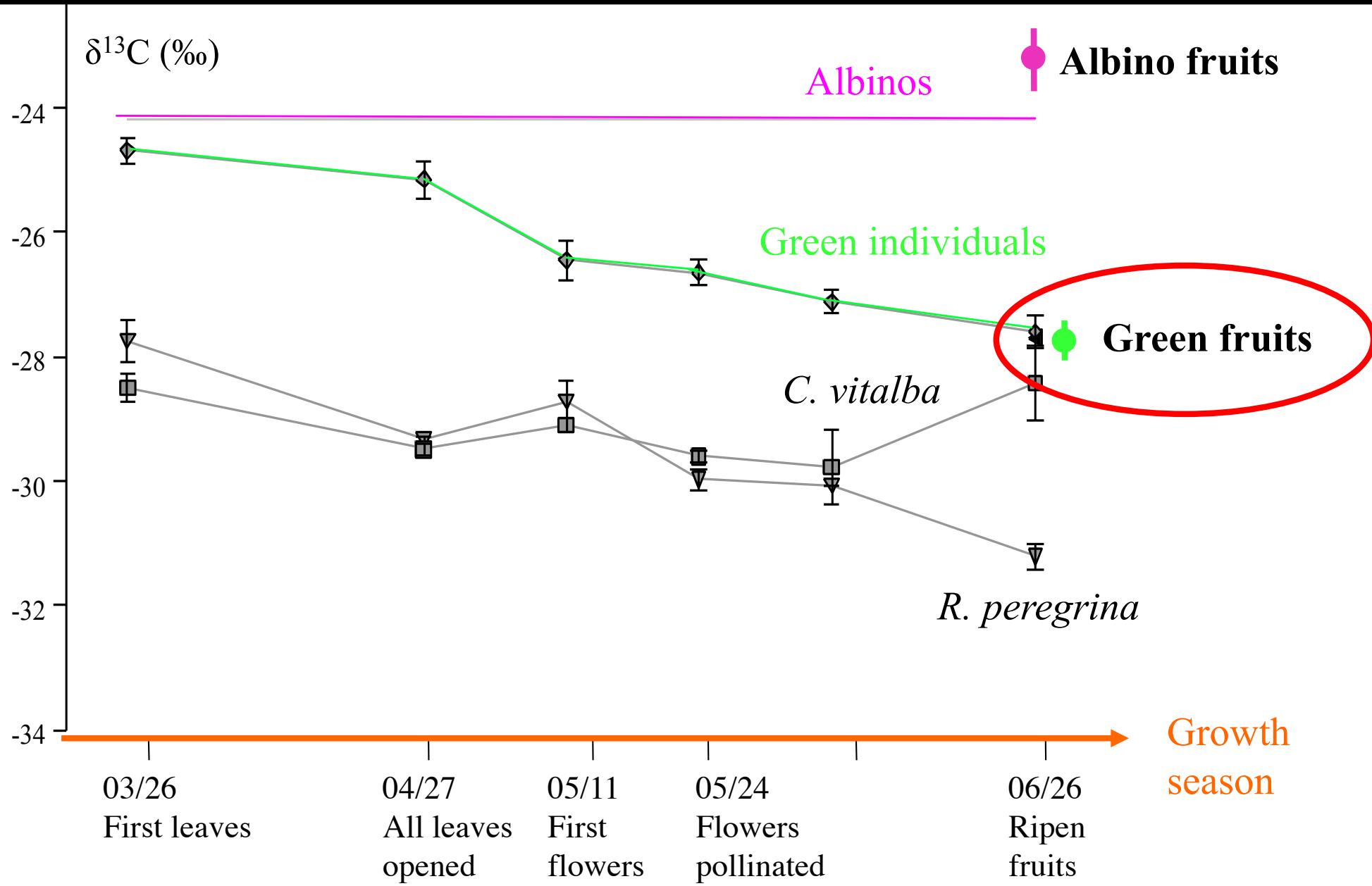
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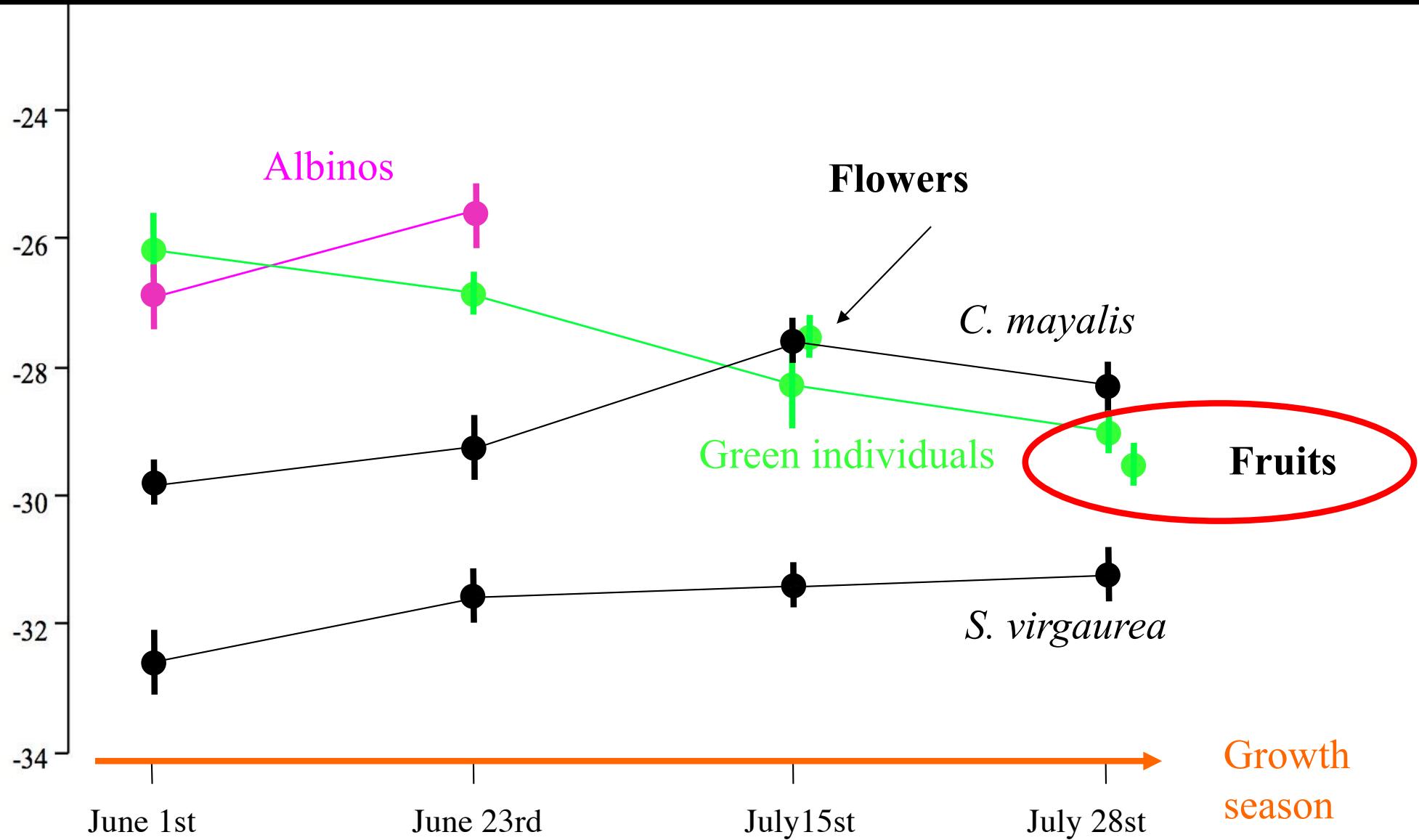
In fruits



Fruit C nutrition in *Cephalanthera damasonium*



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TESTING THE ROLE OF FUNGAL C

Limodorum abortivum, control vs. treated with iprodione

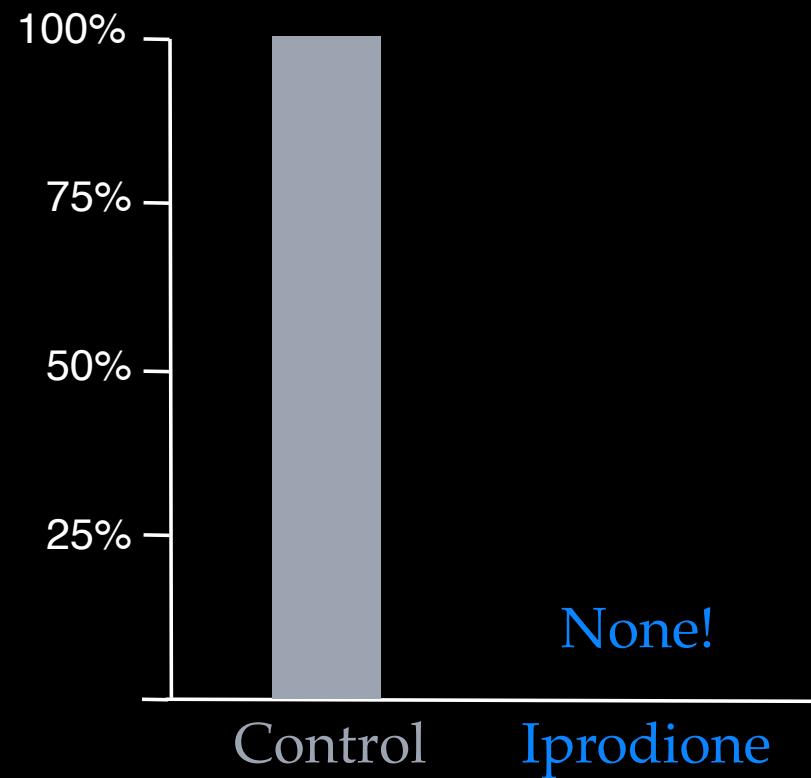


Bellino *et al.*, 2014
Oecologia 175: 875-885

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Limodorum abortivum, control vs. treated with iprodione twice, during and after anthesis

In situ root of *L. abortivum*
with fungus at fruiting



TESTING THE ROLE OF FUNGAL C

Limodorum abortivum, control vs. treated



	Control	Iprodione	
Fruit length (mm)	$25.7 \pm 2.3 \text{ } a$	$26.7 \pm 3.4 \text{ } a$	(n=42)
Fruit diam. (mm)	$8.4 \pm 0.3 \text{ } a$	$9.0 \pm 0.5 \text{ } a$	(n=42)
Seed (mm ²)	$0.26 \pm 0.06 \text{ } a$	$0.28 \pm 0.07 \text{ } a$	(n=713)
Fruit δ ¹³ C (‰)	$-25.06 \pm 0.08 \text{ } a$	$-25.50 \pm 0.17 \text{ } b$	(n=21)

No impact on seed set, full compensation by photosynthesis

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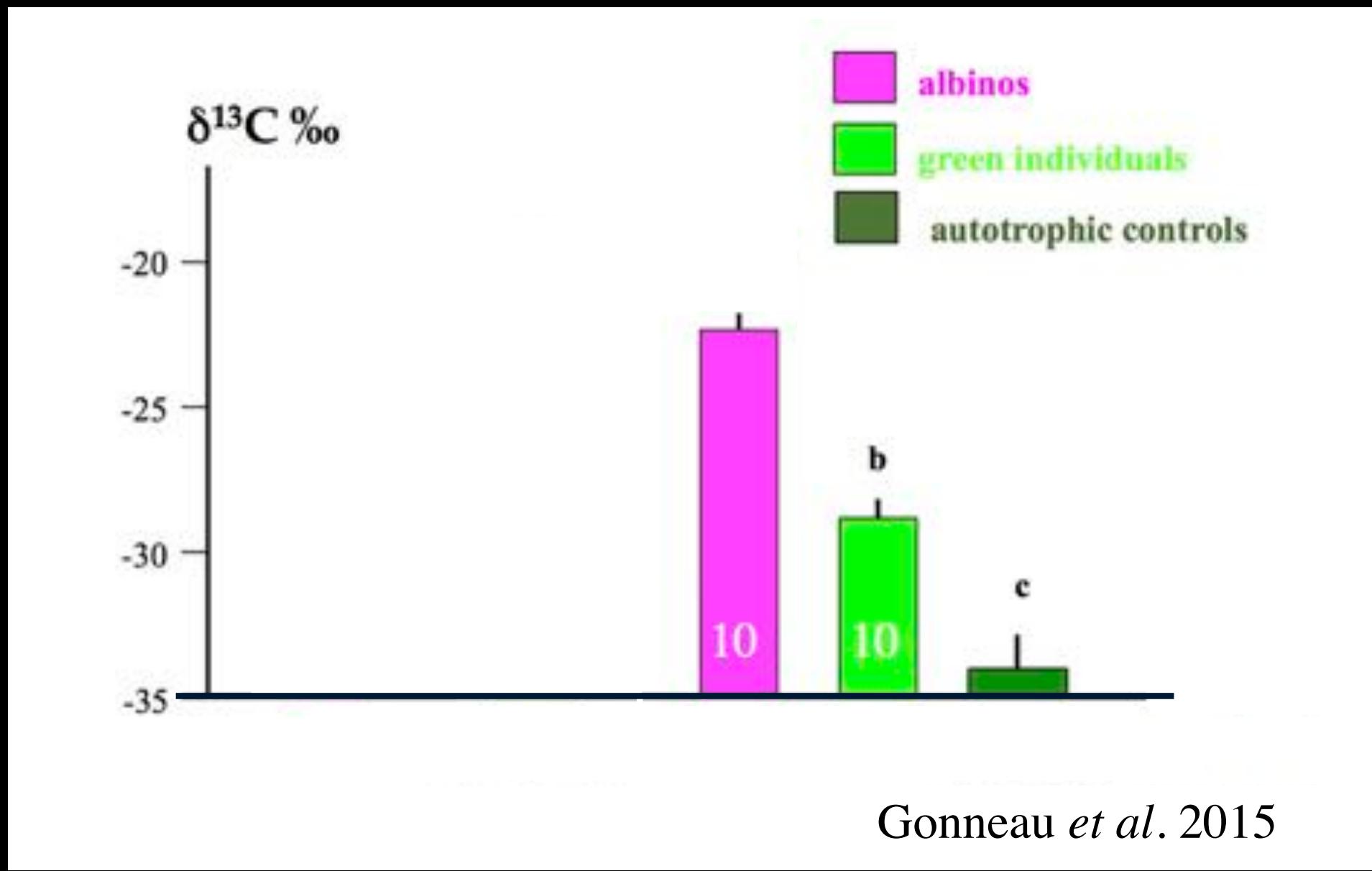
In shoots

In fruits

In underground parts
and emerging shoots

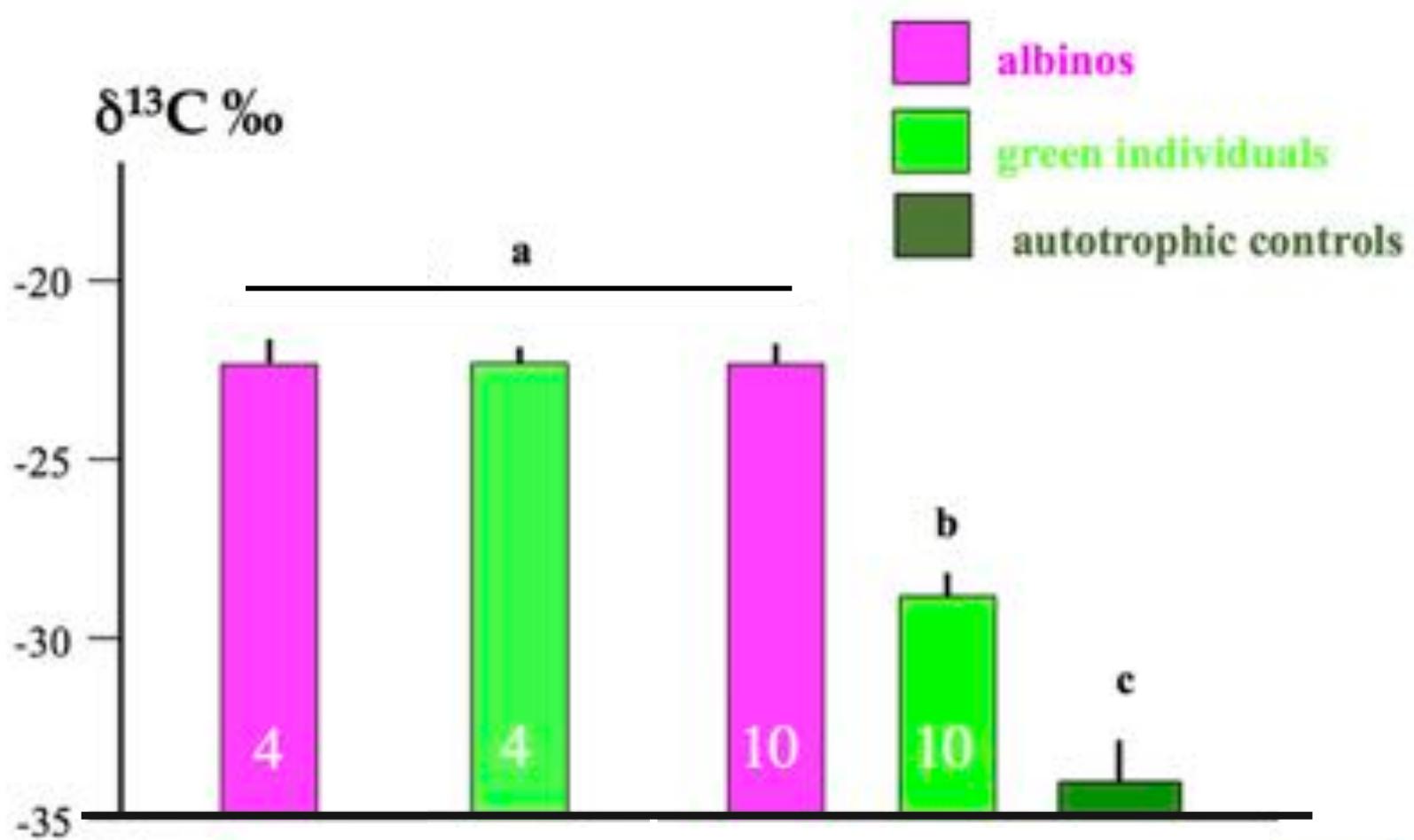


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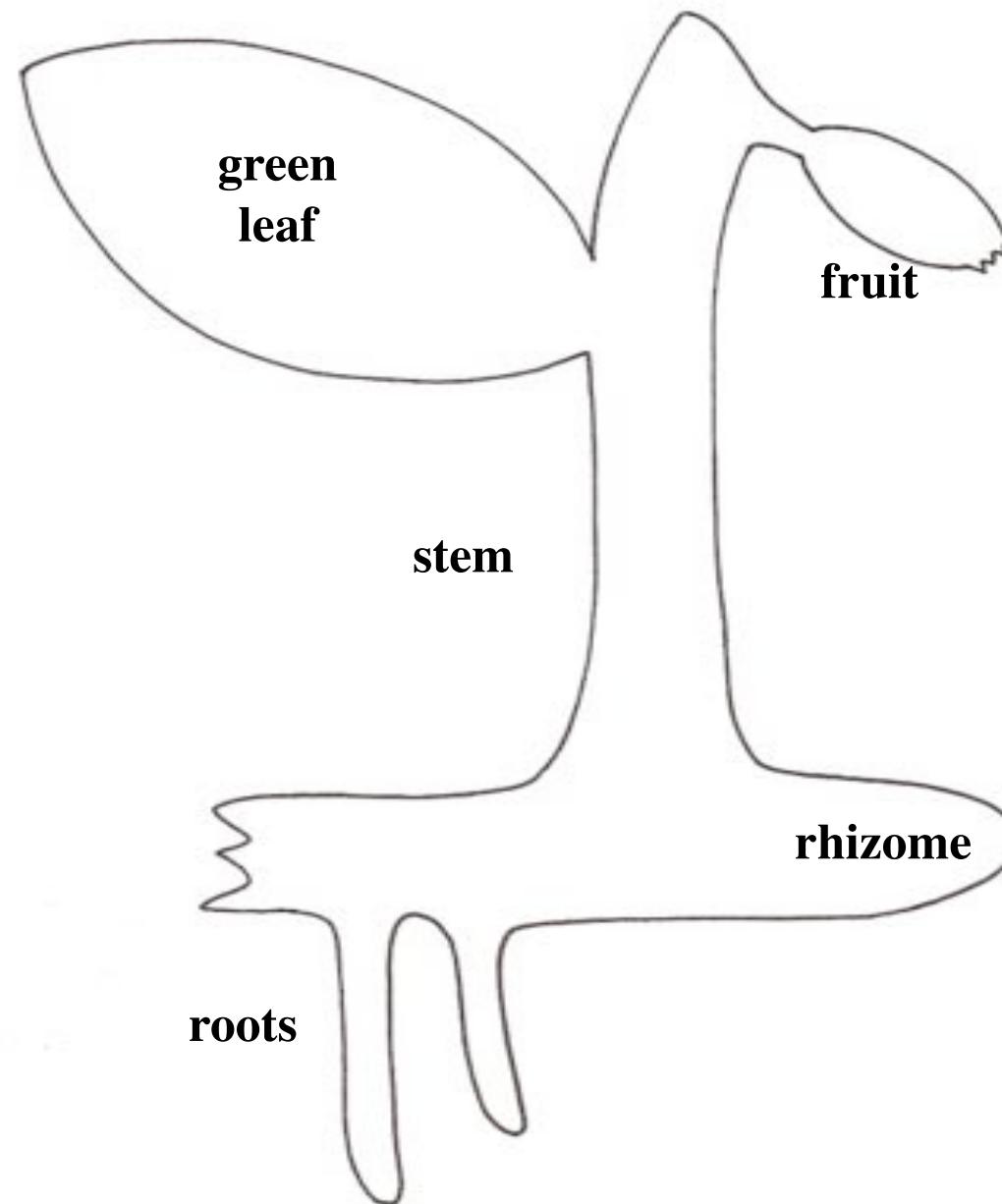
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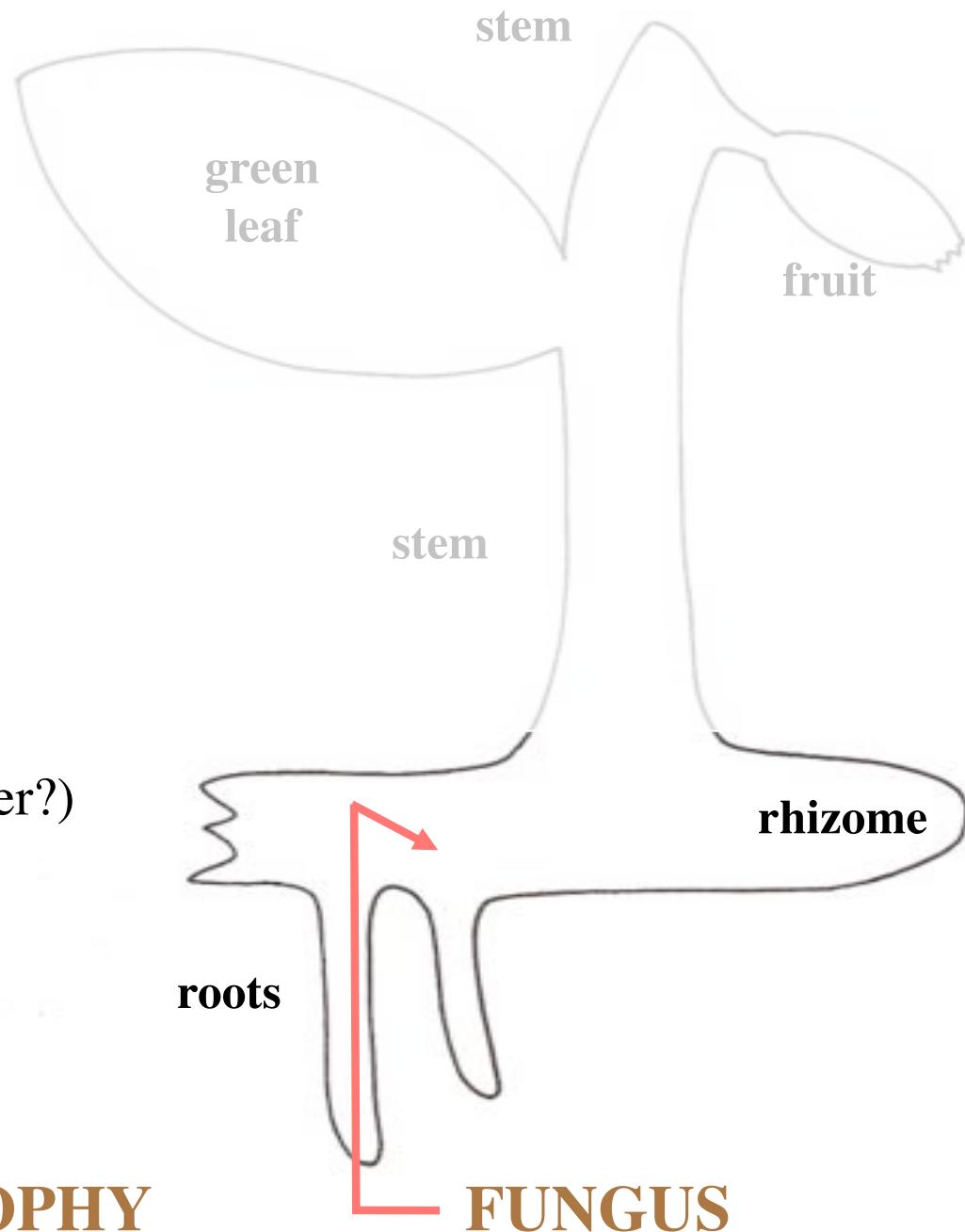
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Fungal C

— dormancy (& winter?)

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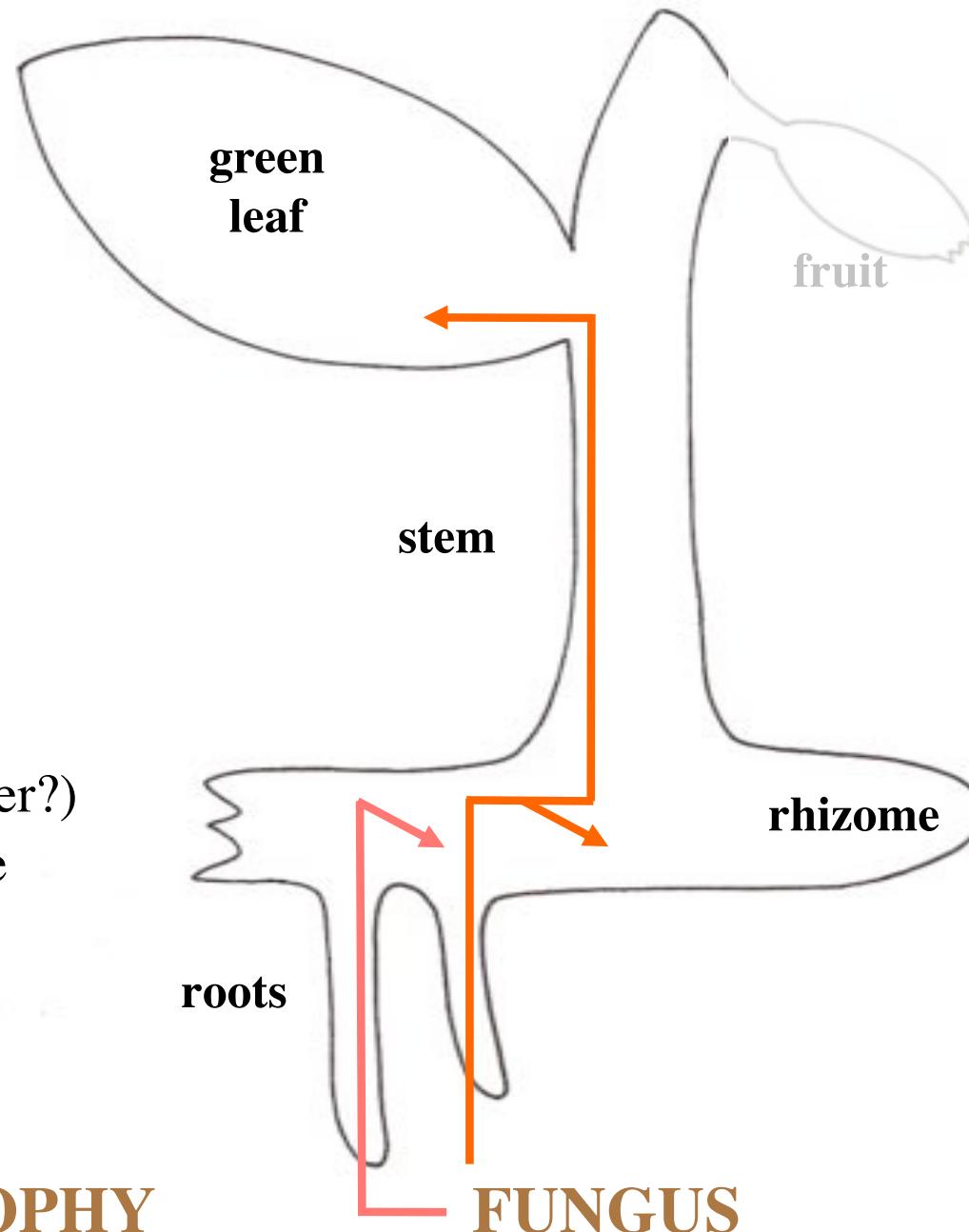
FUN^GUS

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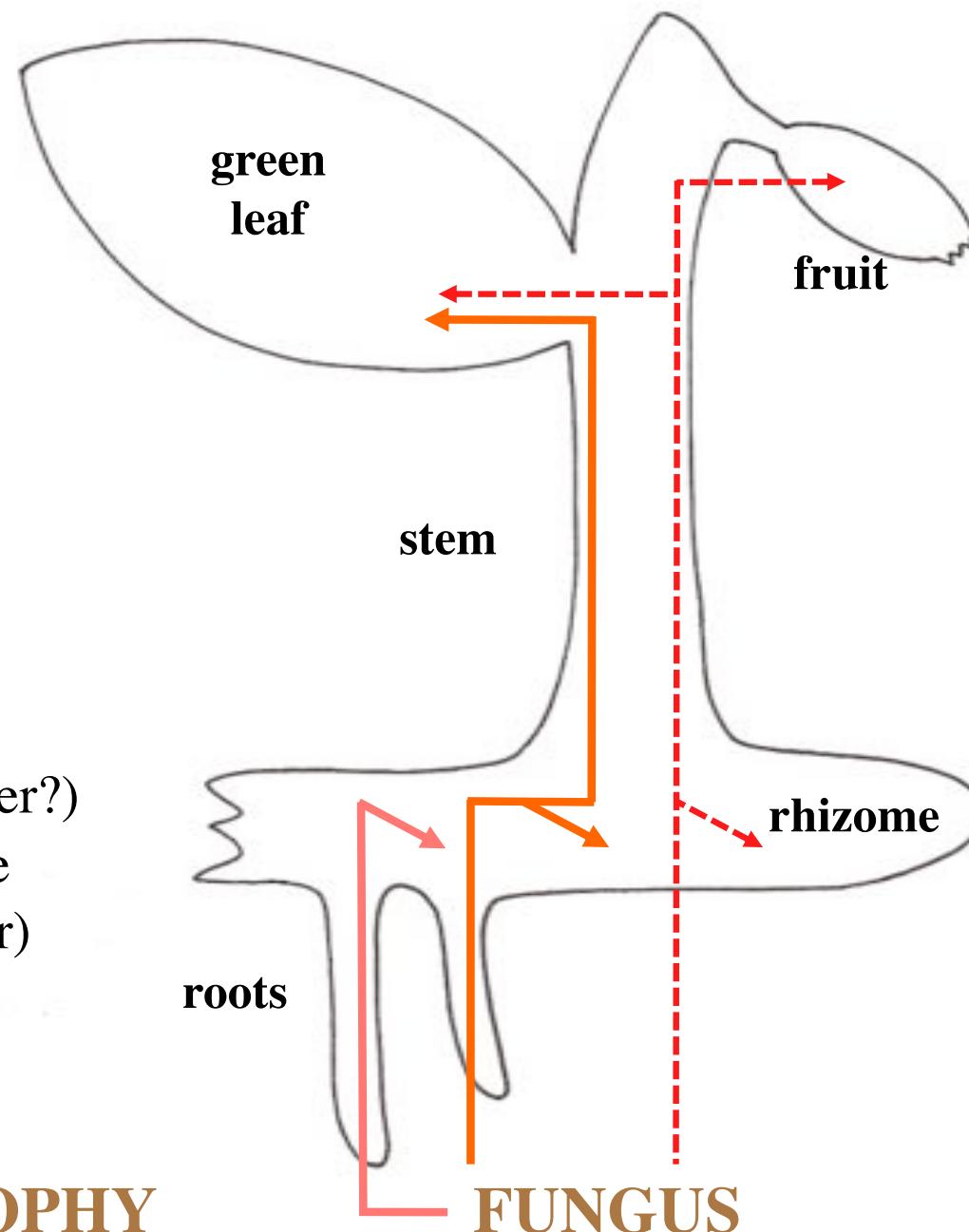


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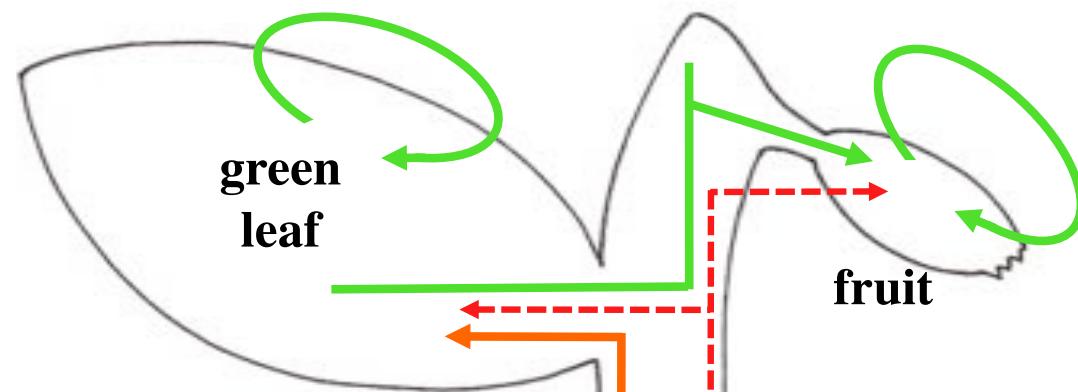
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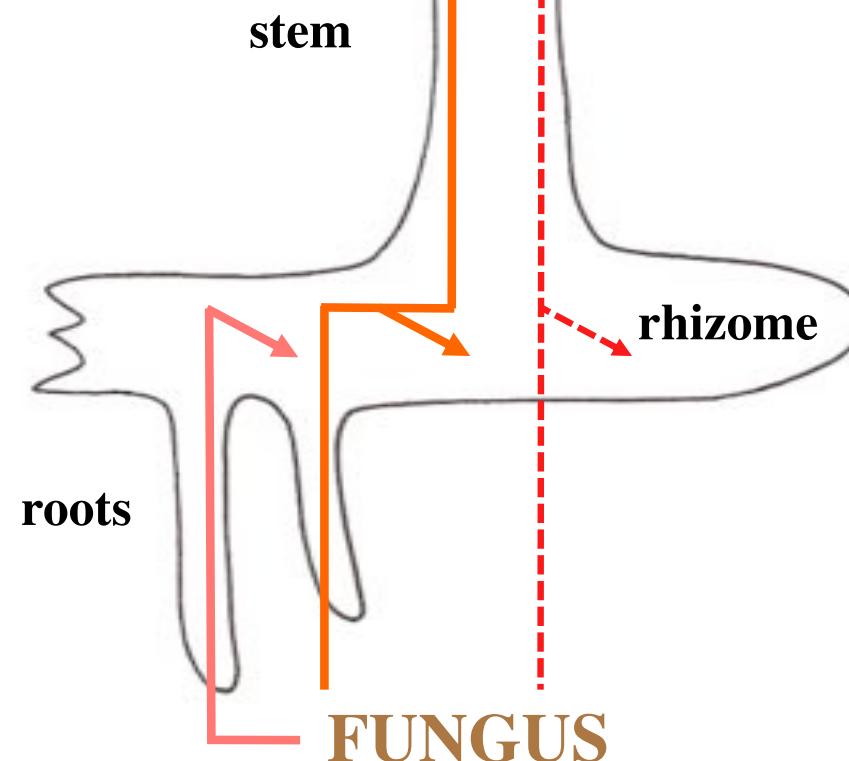
Plant C

— at fruiting (summer)



Fungal C

— dormancy (& winter?)
— at shoot emergence
— at fruiting (summer)



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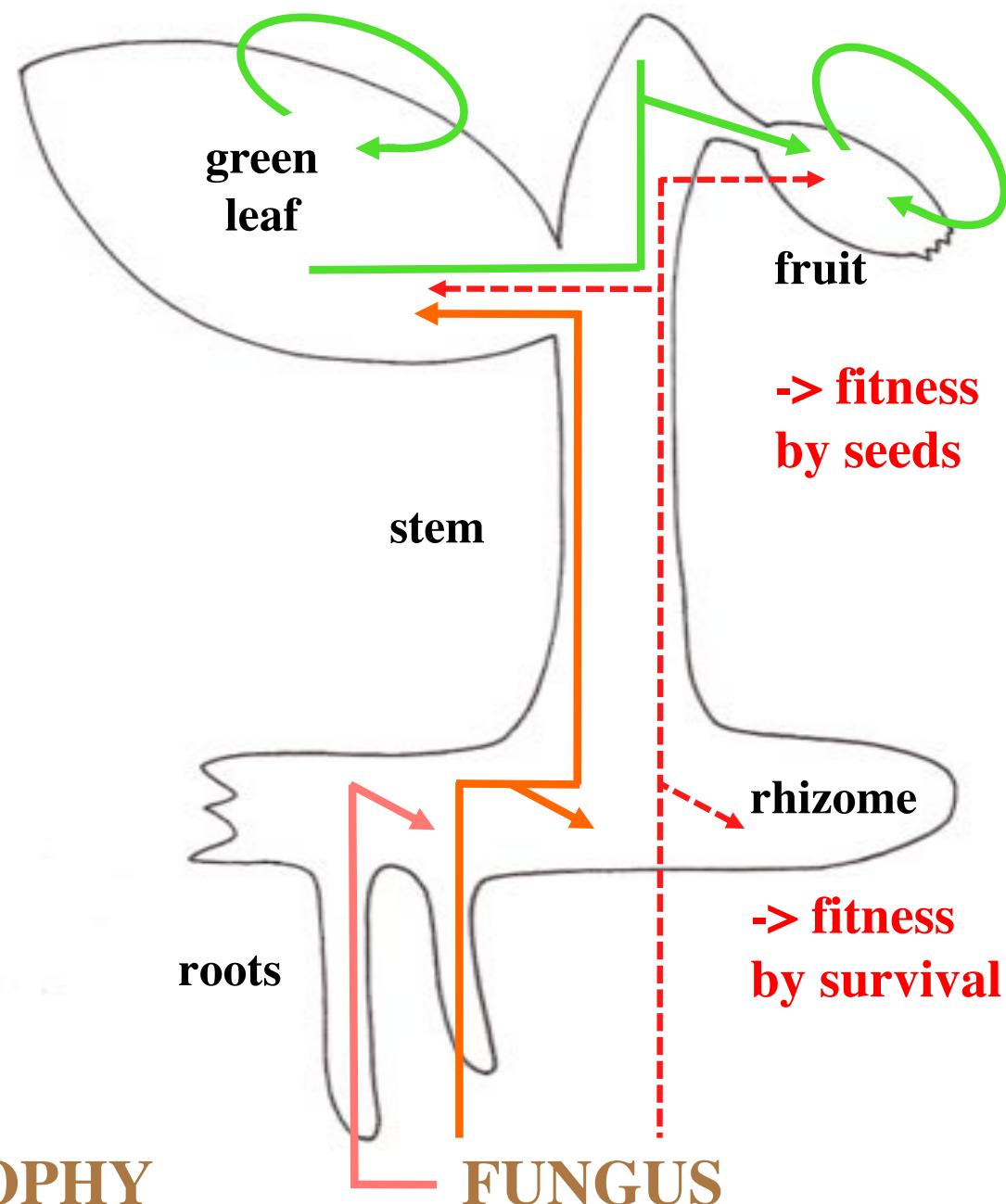
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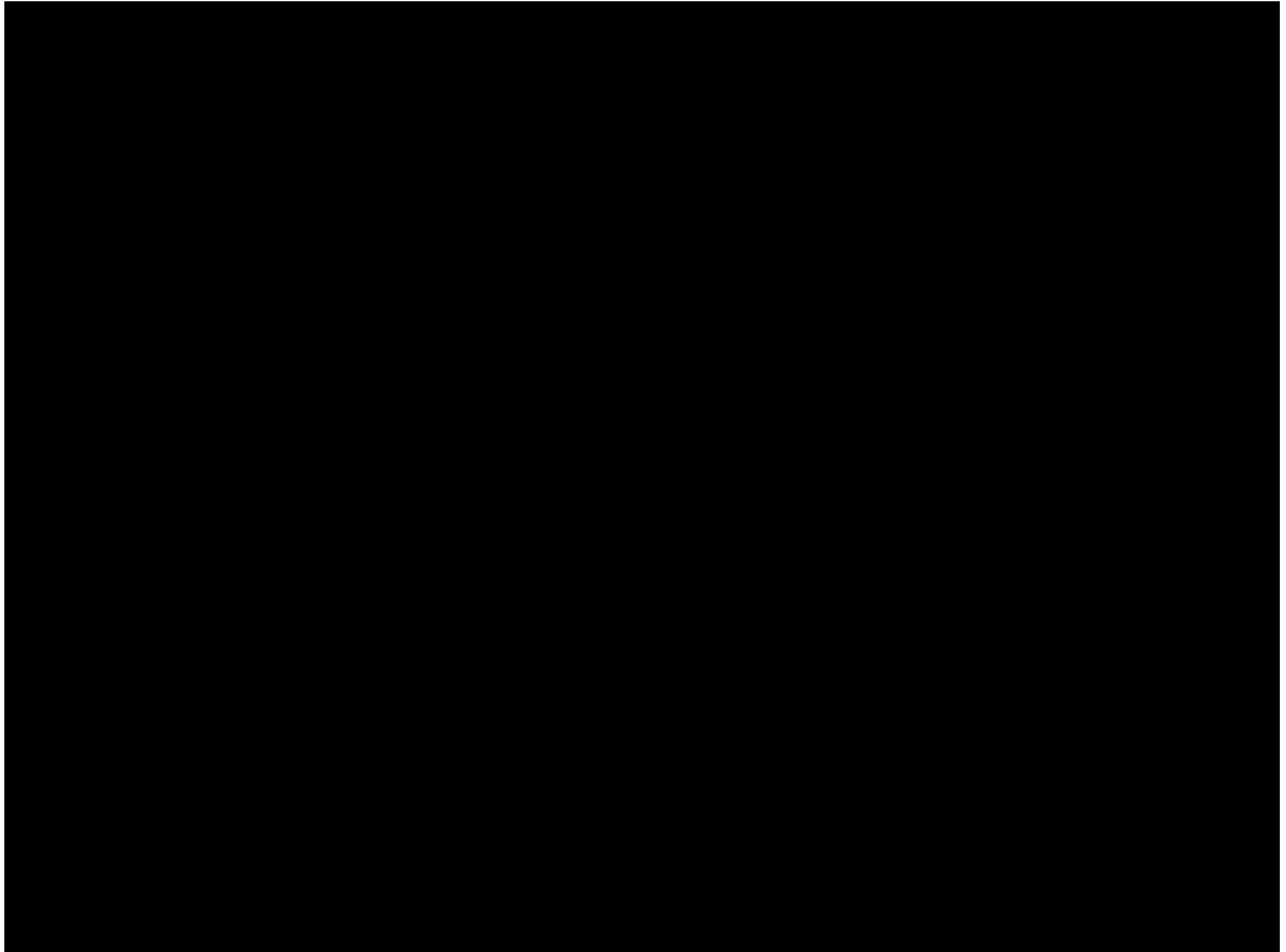
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... due to this fatal addiction to light of mixotrophic plants, you cannot lose photosynthesis in one step!

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The evolutionary emergence of pure C sinks in mycorrhizal networks is a complex process,

... and mixotrophy is metastable in evolution



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