

# Kas 2030 emissie vrije kas (circulair ?)

Productie vrij van fossiele brandstof, emissie van water en nutriënten en gewasbeschermingsmiddelen

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# Energy saving goals in The Netherlands

## Energy agreement 2014-2020 government and sector

### Goals:

- Maximum total CO<sub>2</sub> emission of 4.6 Mt y<sup>-1</sup> in 2020

### Ambition:

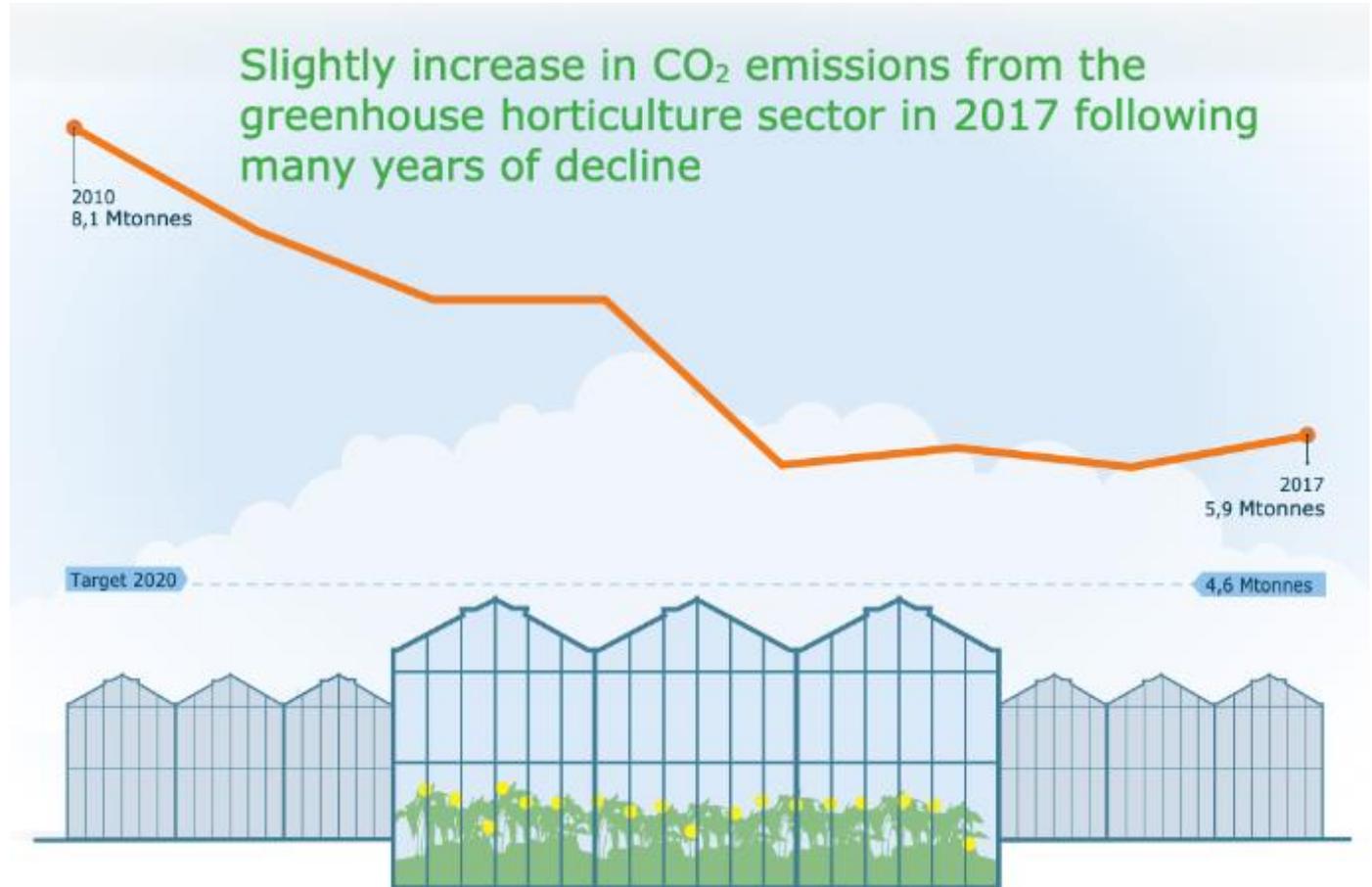
- Greenhouse sector completely sustainable in 2050



Energiemonitor van de Nederlandse glastuinbouw 2017

Mees van der Velden en Feijts Smit

# Monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



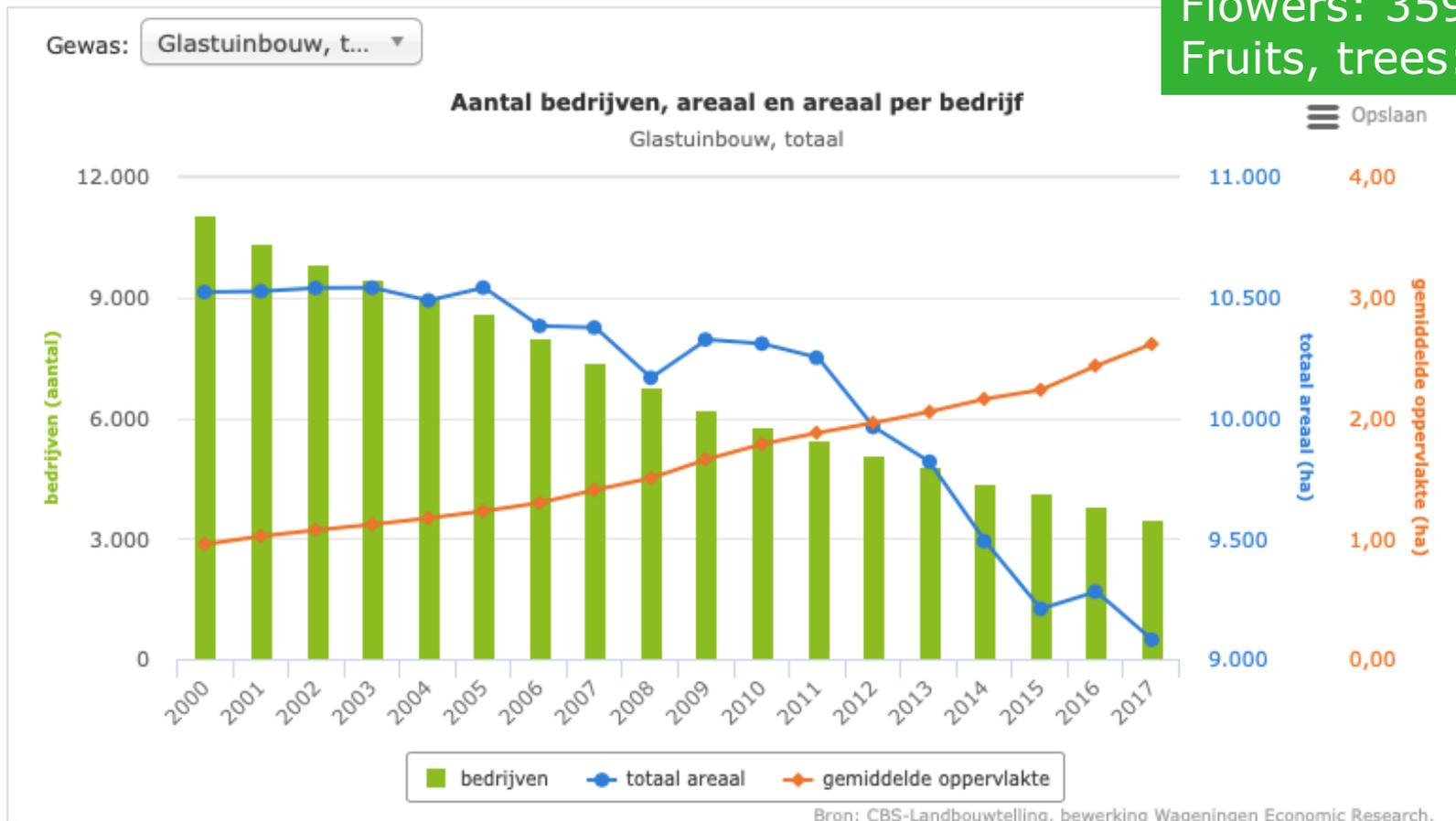
# Greenhouse area decreased

**2017:**

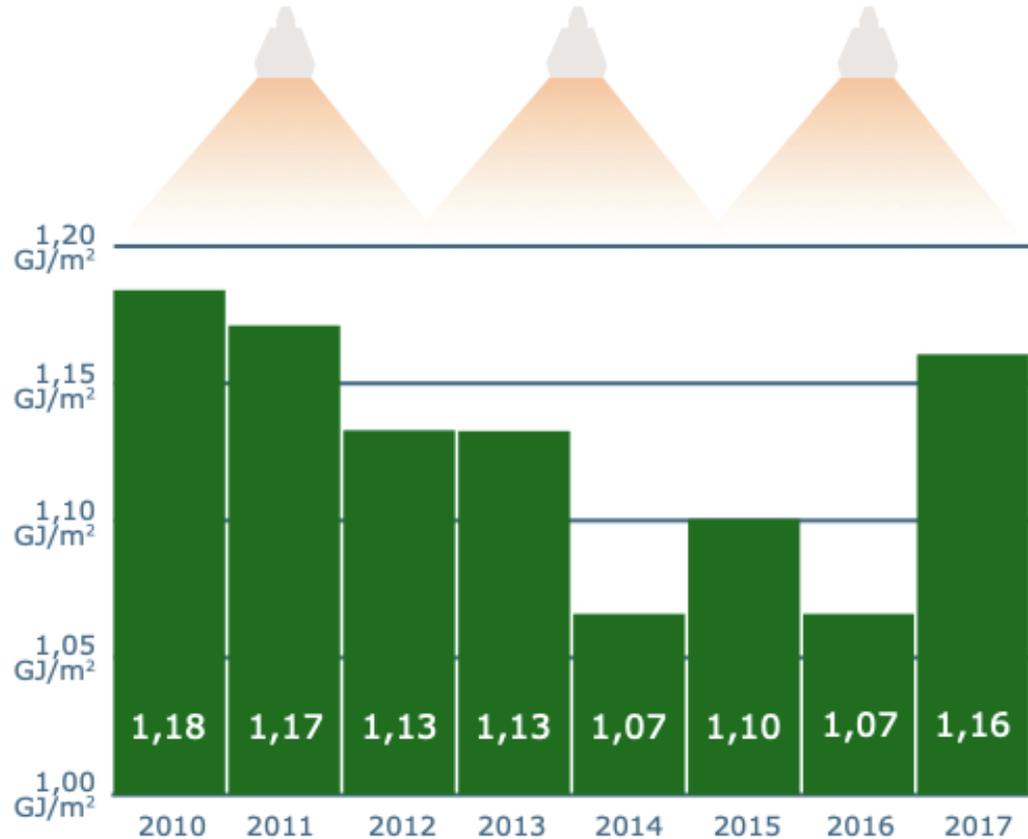
Vegetables: 4992 ha

Flowers: 3592 ha

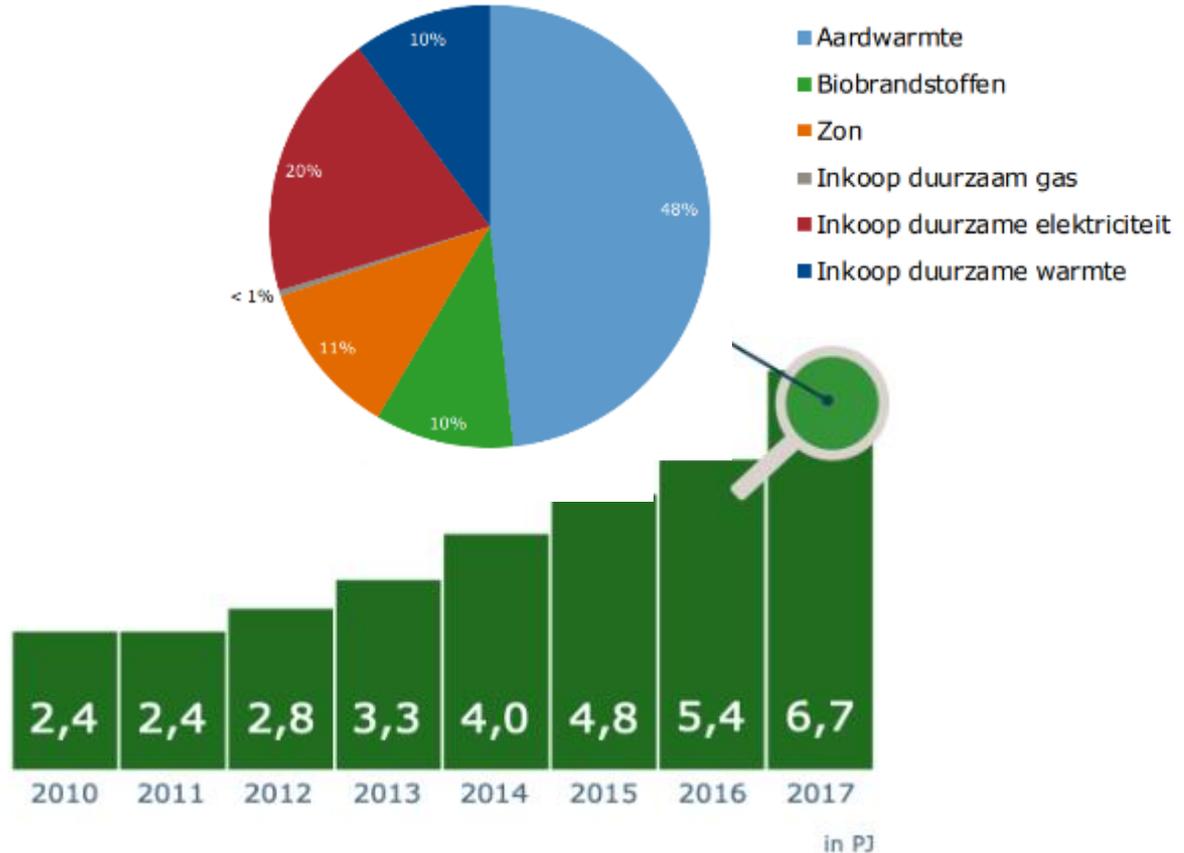
Fruits, trees: 495 ha



# Energy consumption increased



# Use of sustainable energy increased



# Innovations Greenhouse Horticulture (50 years)

Breeding

Technology innovations

Independence of...

- Environmental conditions (greenhouses, climate control, Next Generation Growing)
- (Fossil) energy (energy saving, fossil free)
- Root zone conditions (substrates, hydroponics, water saving, emission free)
- Chemicals (IPM, biological control)
- Labour (Logistics and robotics)

Entrepreneurship

Logistic chain



# Greenhouse KAS 2030

## Research greenhouse facility:

- Fossil free (insulation for less energy and CO<sub>2</sub> losses, sustainable energy sources)
- Emission free (closed water loops, no nutrient losses)
- Pesticide free (maximum biological control)

→ integral sustainability



# Greenhouse KAS 2030 How developed?

- Available technique
  - Start of building is NOW so no development of new techniques
- Trend of intensifying crops (crop cycles)
  - more light, higher temperature, more crop
- One afternoon brainstorming with climate & energy, water & nutrients and entomology specialists ended up in this approach
  - Full electric semi closed next generation approach
  - Insect nettings yes or no?
  - Soil grown crops towards substrate
  - Full LED but which spectrum

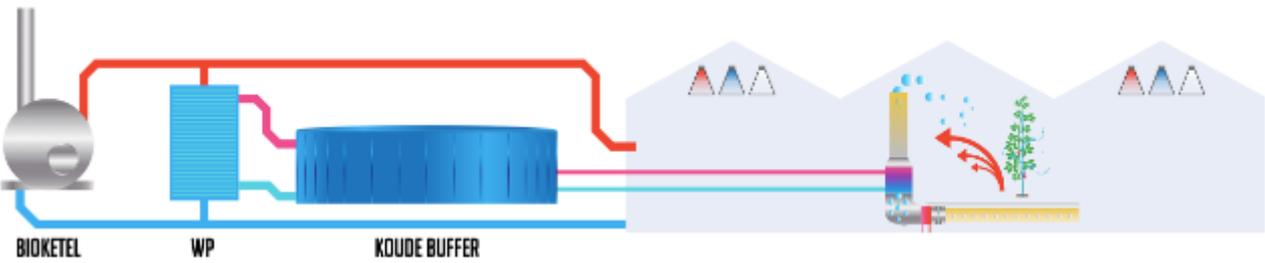
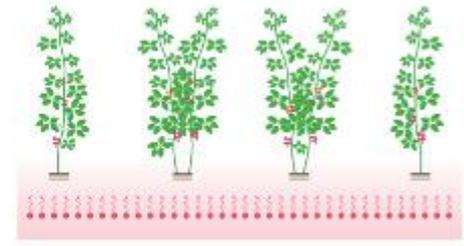
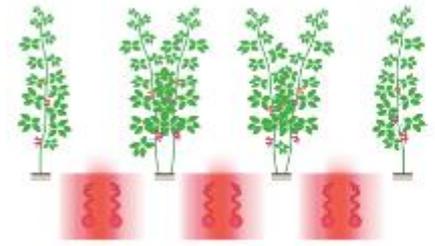
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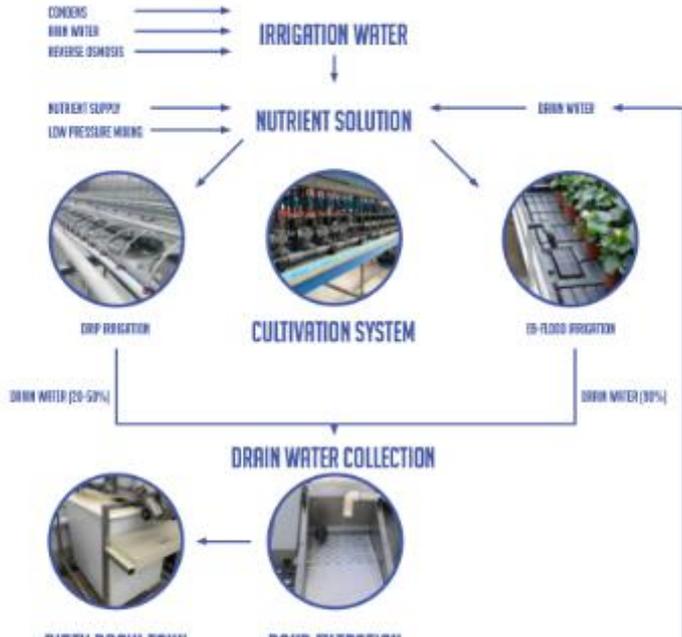
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## Fossil free energy – “all electric”

- Insulation, 3 screens
- Diffuse glass
- Heat pump
- Low temperature heating
- Dehumidification
- Peak boiler on biogas/biomassa
- LED
- Green electricity
- CO<sub>2</sub> from industry
- Fogging
- Root cooling (freesia)



# Greenhouse KAS 2030



## Emission free - 100 % water recycling

- Full water collection of:
  - Condensation
  - Drain
  - Rain collection
- Reverse osmose (start water)
- Ozonation for disinfection



# Greenhouse KAS 2030



## Towards **pesticide free**

- Biological control, start with generalists, add specialists
- Standing army
- Different pollinators
- Use of banker plants



# Greenhouse KAS 2030



## Optimum crop production

- Light/temperature control
- Use of natural sunlight, diffuse glass with AR
- High intensity LED
- Higher daily temperature
- Improve
  - Yield
  - Quality
  - Timing



# Strawberry

Variety: 'Favori' (FlevoBerry)

Plant density: 6.25 pl/m<sup>2</sup>

LED: 200 mmol/m<sup>2</sup>/s (85%R, 5% B, 10%W)

max. 18 h/d, max. 3000 h/y

CO<sub>2</sub>: 450-800 ppm, max. 200 kg/ha/h,

limit at ventilation >15%

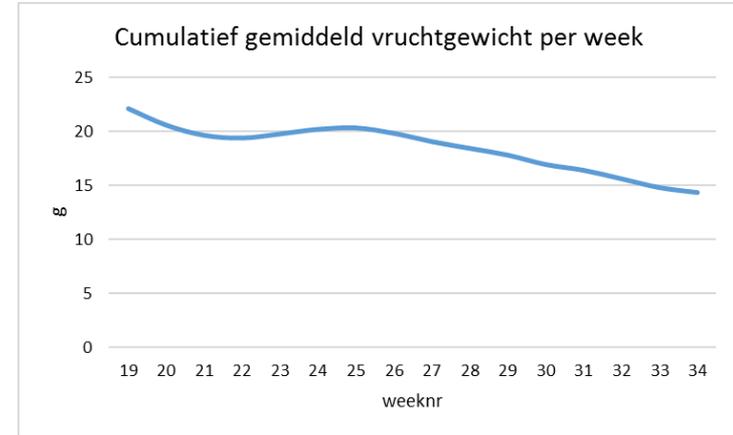
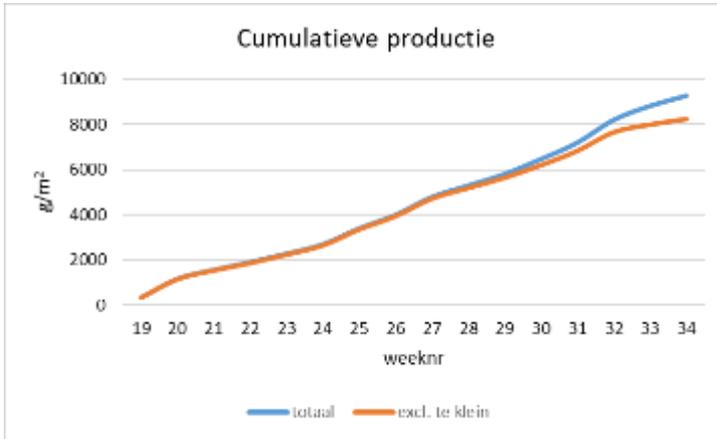
Dehumidification: VPD > 1 g/m<sup>3</sup>

Substrate: cocos in trays

Gutter: moveable up/down → 20% more plants in combi with plant density



# Production cumulative



## Total yield:

1<sup>st</sup> crop end March-end August: 9.3 kg

2<sup>nd</sup> crop end August-now: 10.2 kg

→ Higher than commercial practice  
due to 20% higher plant density and more  
light, higher daily temperatures



# Gerbera



Varieties: 'Rich', 'Kimsey'  
LED: 200  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{m}^2/\text{s}$  (95%R, 5% B),  
max. 7 mol/d, max. 120 kWh/y  
CO<sub>2</sub>: 800 ppm, max. 200 kg/ha/h,  
limit at ventilation >15%  
Dehumidification: VPD > 1 g/m<sup>3</sup>

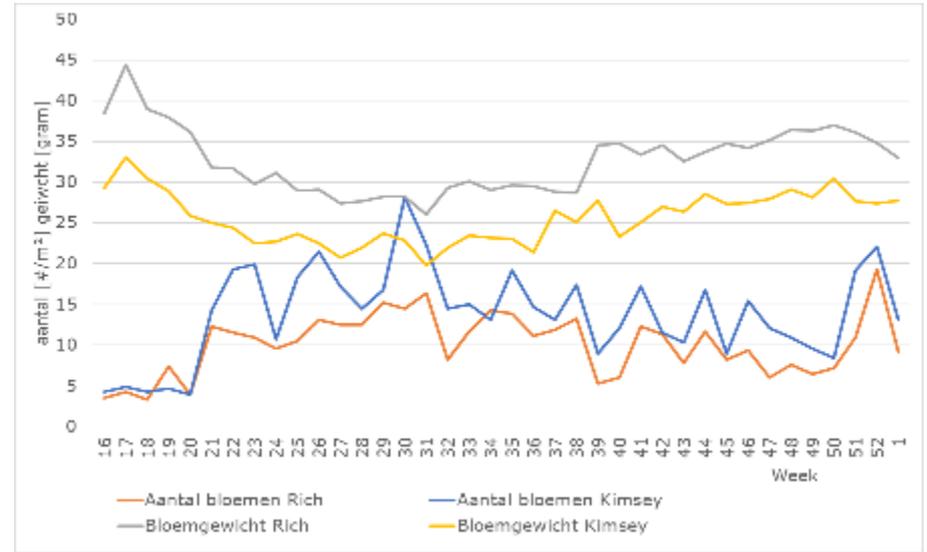
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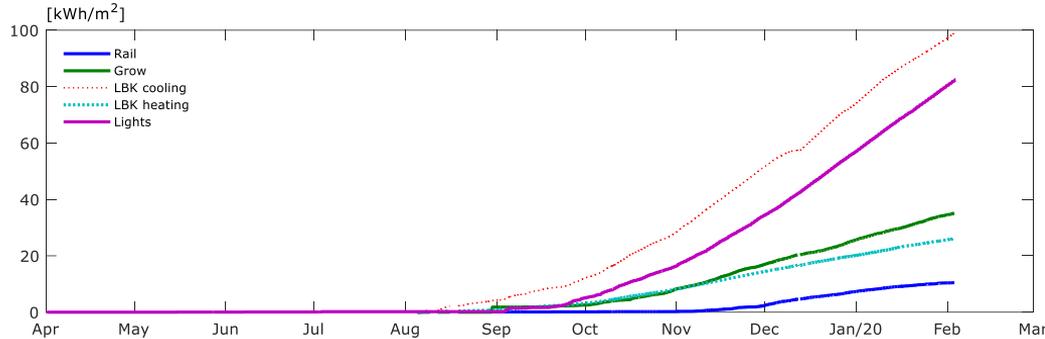
## Total yield :

- 'Rich' 384.8 stems/m<sup>2</sup>, 'Kimsey' 528.5 stems/m<sup>2</sup>
- Start week 12, Still 6 weeks to go

→ Higher yields than in commercial practice (1-2 flowers/m<sup>2</sup>/week) due to higher light intensity and higher temperature



# Energy use until now



Total energy use: 82.5 kWh/m<sup>2</sup> LED lighting

→ 30% less electricity LED compared to HPS, however, higher intensities installed

98.7 kWh/m<sup>2</sup> air treatment system **dehumidification** → under investigation

8.1 kWh/m<sup>2</sup> pipe heating ground

27.5 kWh/m<sup>2</sup> crop heating

26.1 kWh/m<sup>2</sup> air treatment system heating

35.6 kWh/m<sup>2</sup> total heating → 4.1 m<sup>3</sup>/m<sup>2</sup> gas use → Much lower heating demand, although, higher daily temperatures due to high insulation (screens)

# Freesia



8 Varieties, plant density 96 tubers/m<sup>2</sup>  
LED: 200  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{m}^2/\text{s}$  (85%R, 5% B, 10%W)

diffuse glass

3 screens

Cooling substrat <16°C

CO<sub>2</sub>: 700 ppm, limit at ventilation >15%

Fogging: RH >80%

Dehumidification: RH <95%

# Production (1st crop)

	Datum start oogst	aantal stelen/bruto m <sup>2</sup> kas	totaal geoogst gewicht (kg) / bruto m <sup>2</sup> bed
Ambassador	6-08	177	4.4
Corvette	26-07	293	5.6
Delta River	8-08	266	5.1
Essence	23-07	261	5.3
Indigo Beach	23-07	207	4.1
Maya	13-08	239	4.7
Soleil	1-08	217	3.5
Volante	5-08	215	3.6

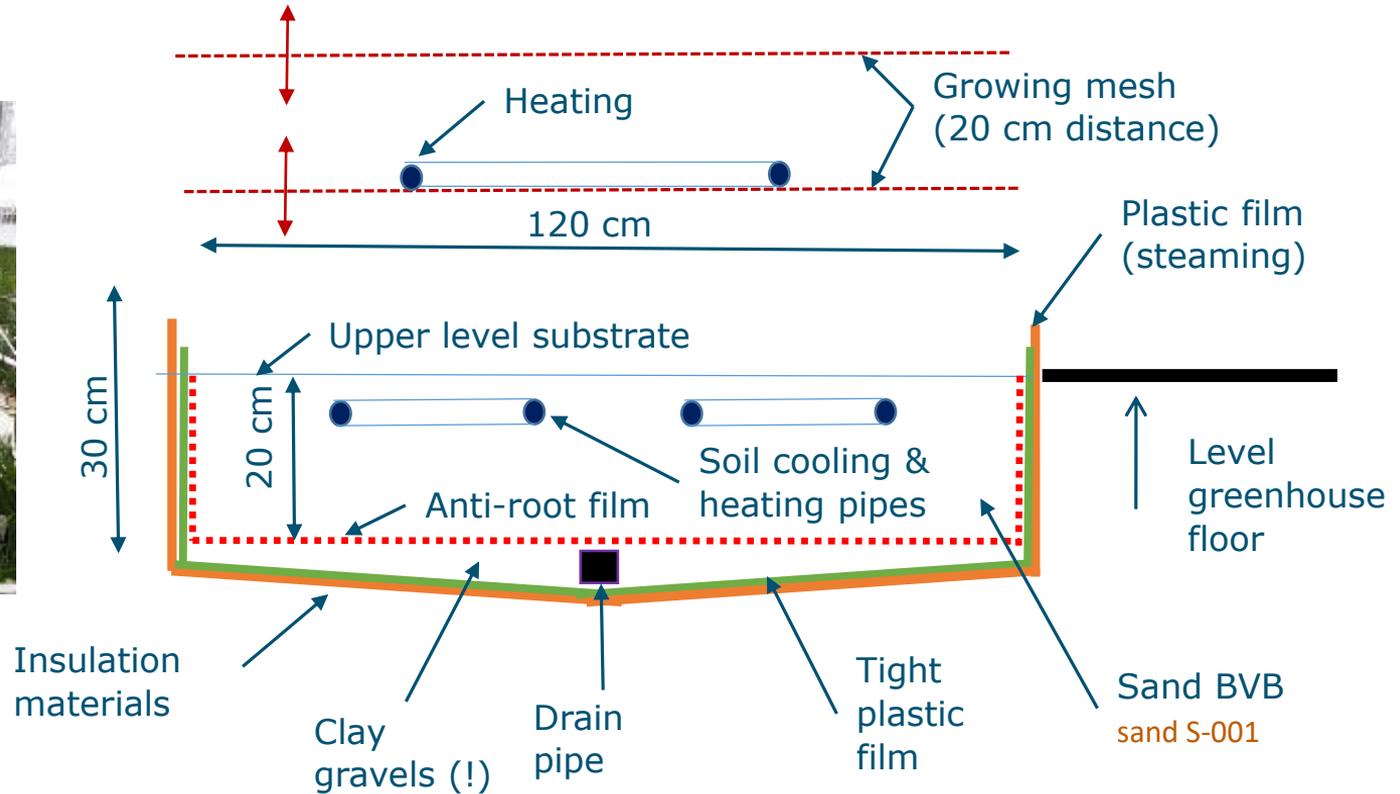
## Yield first crop:

Period: end April–end September

Tuber weight at planting ca. 3,4 - 13,7 g/tuber

→ Total production now 6-8 weeks earlier than commercial practice due to very high light intensities and higher temperature

# Cropping system in sand beds with recirculation



# Potanthurium

A photograph showing a large number of Potanthurium plants growing in a field. The plants have vibrant green, heart-shaped leaves and distinctive pinkish-red, arrow-shaped flowers. The plants are densely packed, filling the entire frame.

4 Varieties, plant density 45-30-20-15 plants/m<sup>2</sup>

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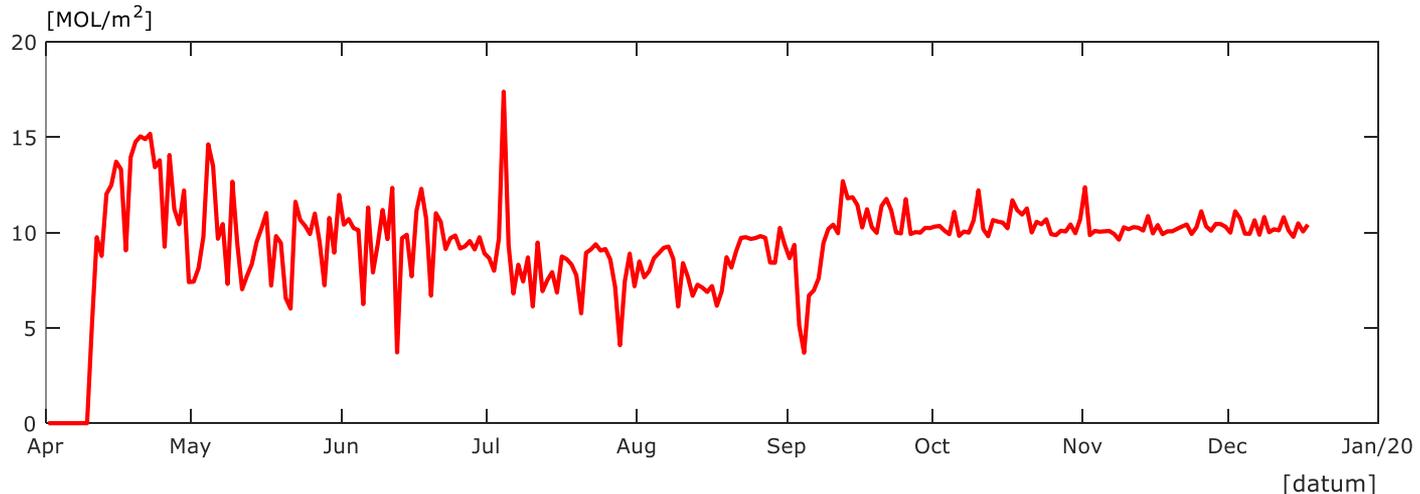
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# First potanthurium crop under LED

- Goal: 10 mol/m<sup>2</sup>/d incl. sunlight → faster growth, more flowers, higher weight
- Use of 3 screens
- Use of 3 groups of LED



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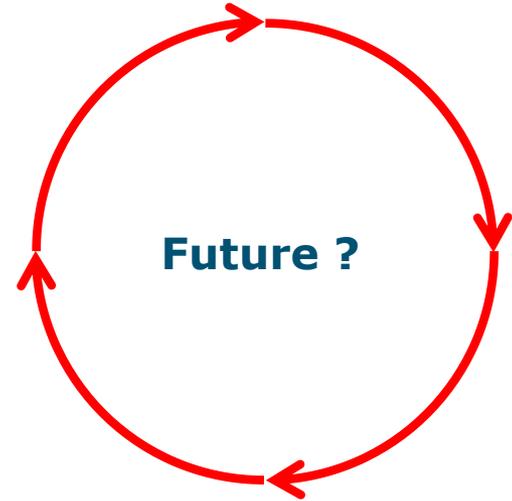
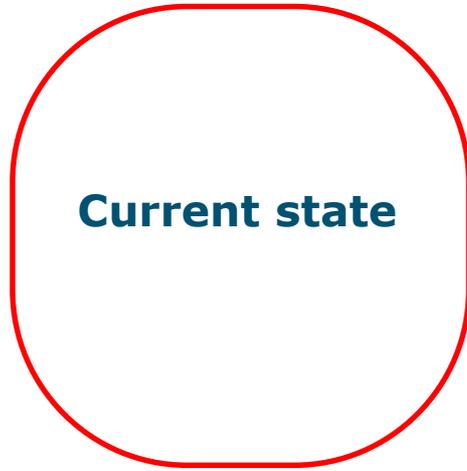
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Integral sustainable  
production system

# Greenhouse 2030 Circular?



# Thank you!



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