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“OXIDATIVE STRESS and ANTIOXIDANT DEFENCES as a tools for identification of tolerant genotypes to abiotic stress”



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Plant Breeding:

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Plant Physiology:

Drought and Heat
stress Group:
Grumberg,
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Sagadin, M.



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General topics:

Why oxidative stress in a breeding program?

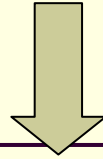
- **What is oxidative stress phenomenon?**
- **Antioxidant defenses**
- **Oxidative stress in a Breeding Program**



**Environmental
abiotic/biotic stress
impair plant growth and
productivity worldwide**

**Selection of environmental
stress tolerant plants is a
promising approach**

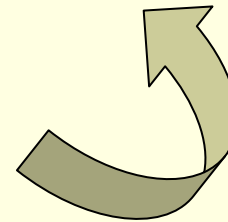
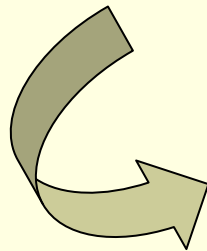
How to select tolerant genotypes ?



Interaction between Plant Physiologists and Plant Breeders

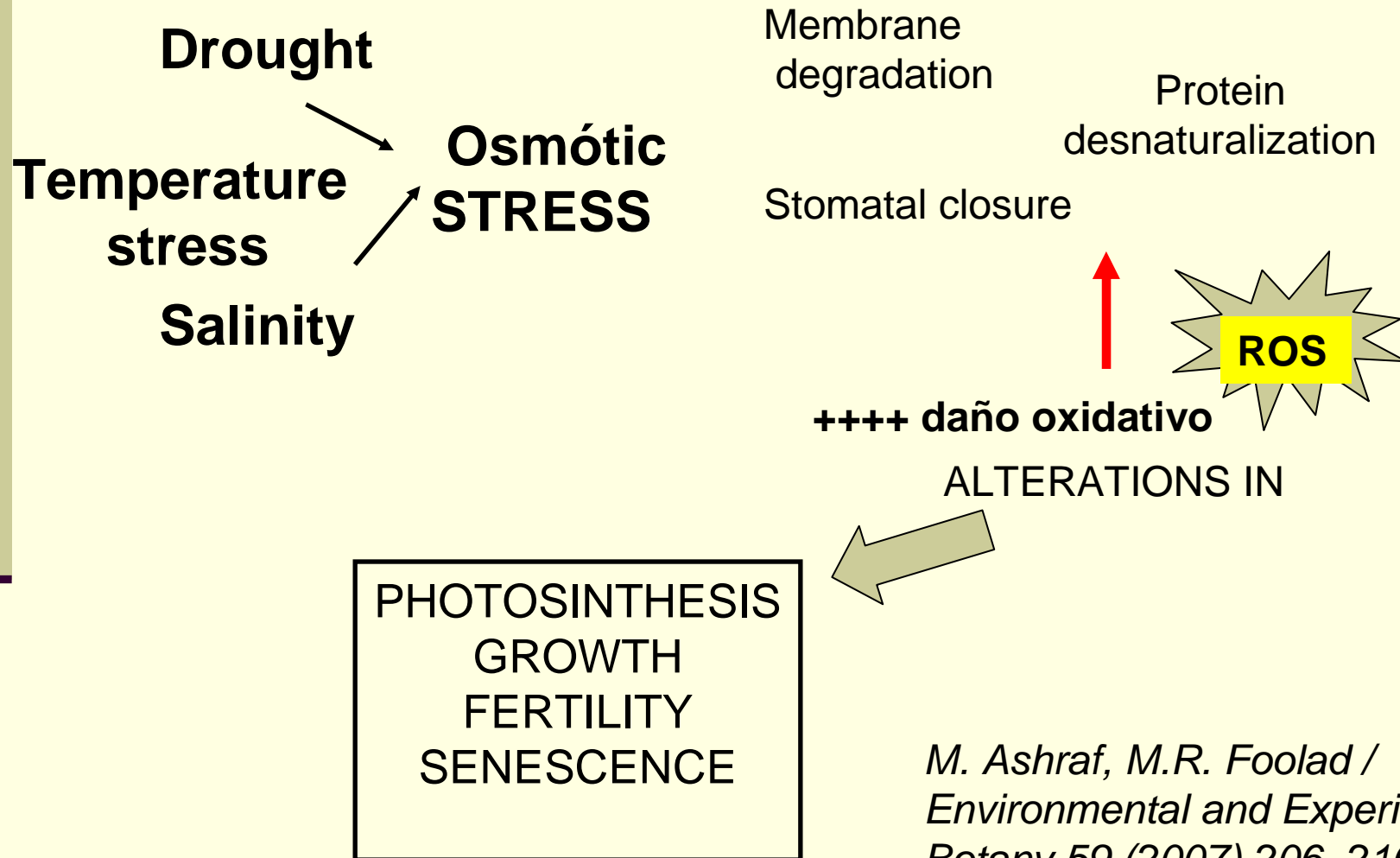
Selection criteria related to abiotic/biotic stress tolerance

Agronomic, Physiological, Biochemical or Molecular markers



**Understand the most
important mechanisms
related to abiotic stress
tolerance**

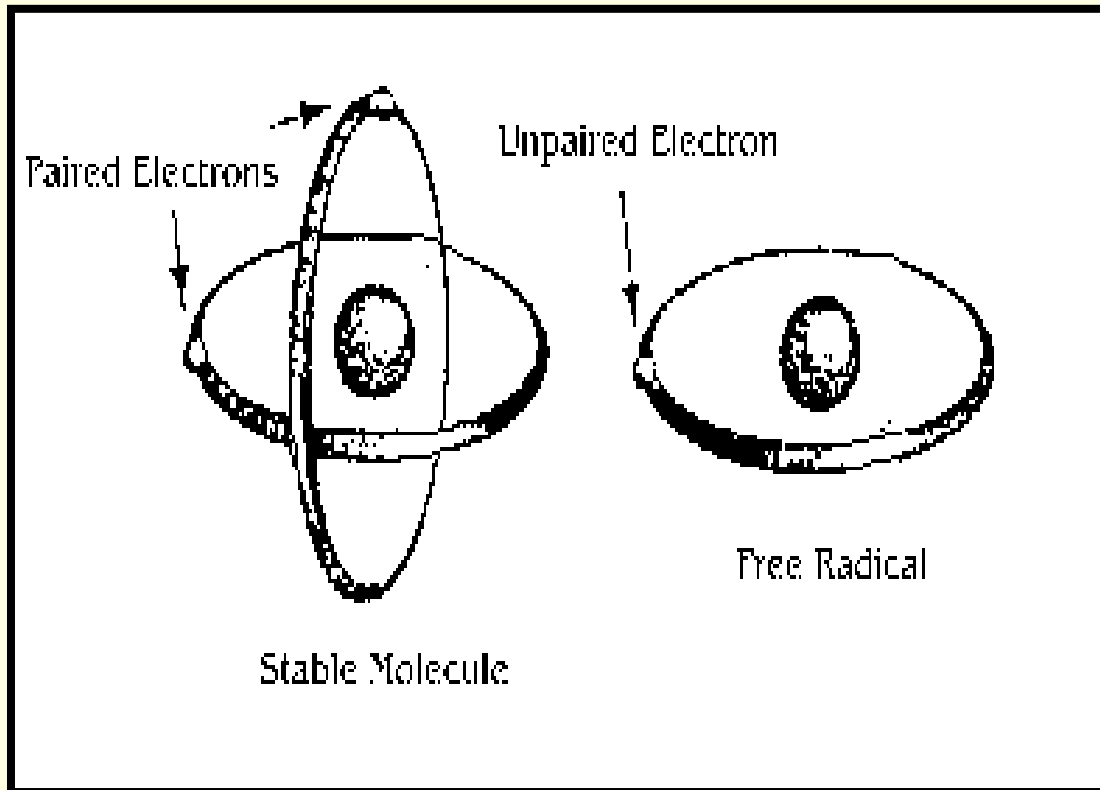
Key mechanisms related to abiotic stress tolerance:



*M. Ashraf, M.R. Foolad /
Environmental and Experimental
Botany 59 (2007) 206–216*

Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS)

Free radicals with atoms or molecules with an unpaired electron



ROS : They are very reactive

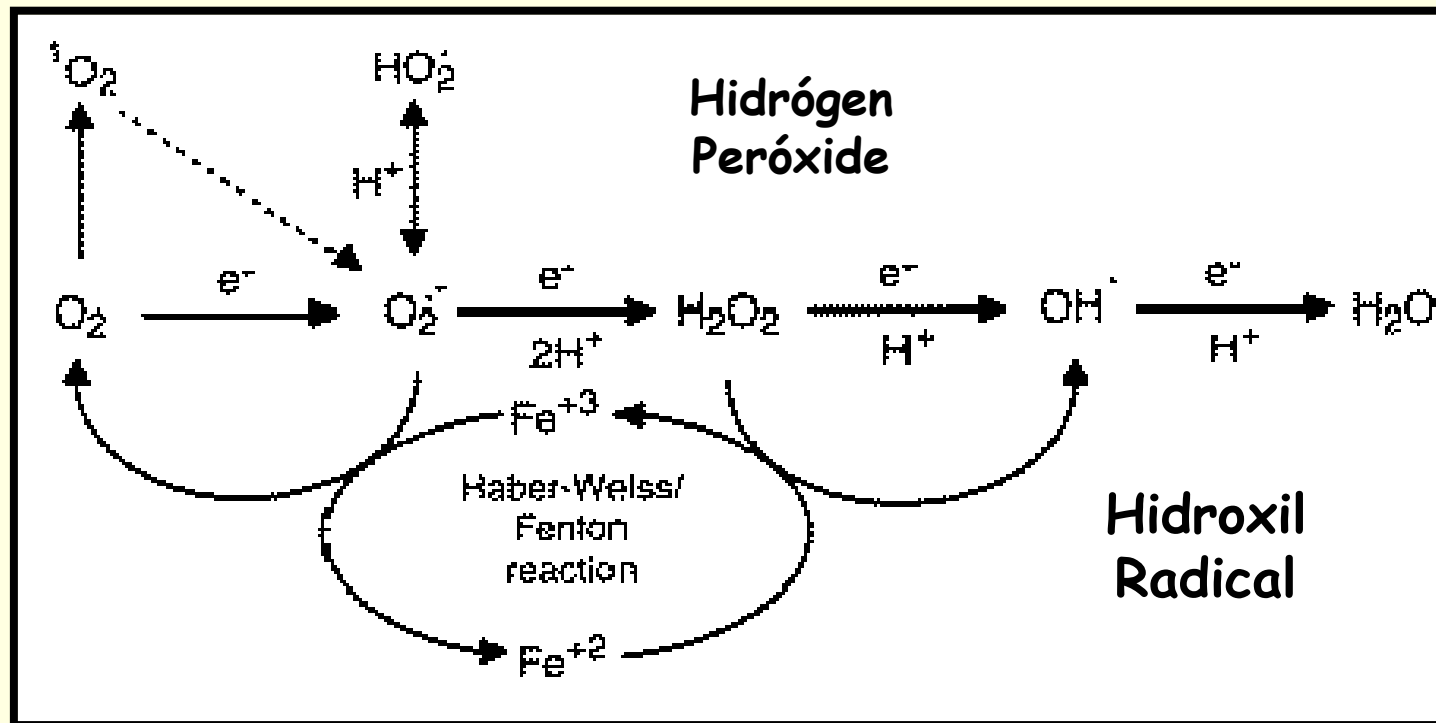
They are able to react with other cell molecules in the redox reactions

Although oxygen (O_2) is essential for life, its reduction by any means results in the production of ROS

Singlet

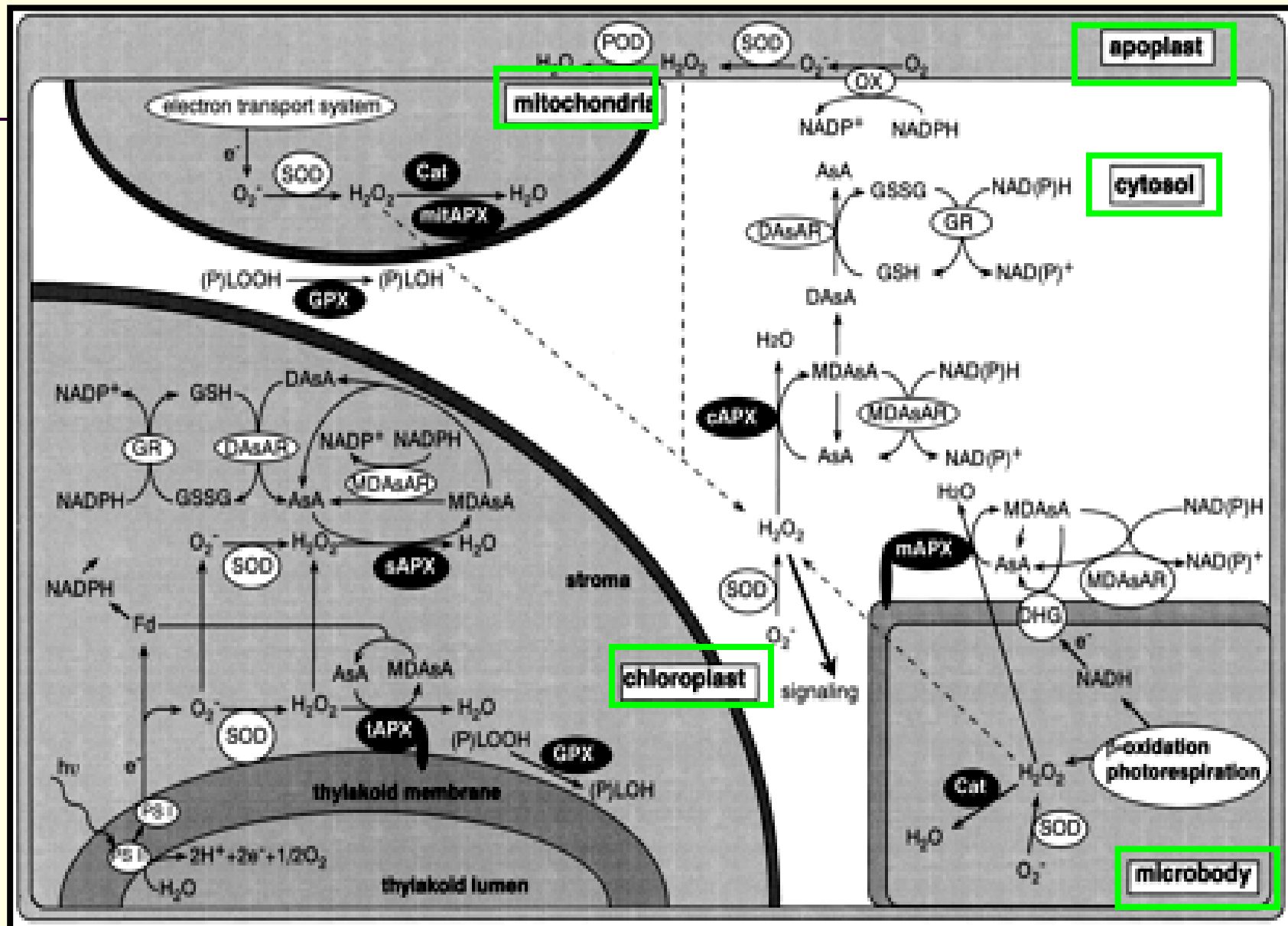
Superóxide Ion and Perhidroxil

Oxígeno

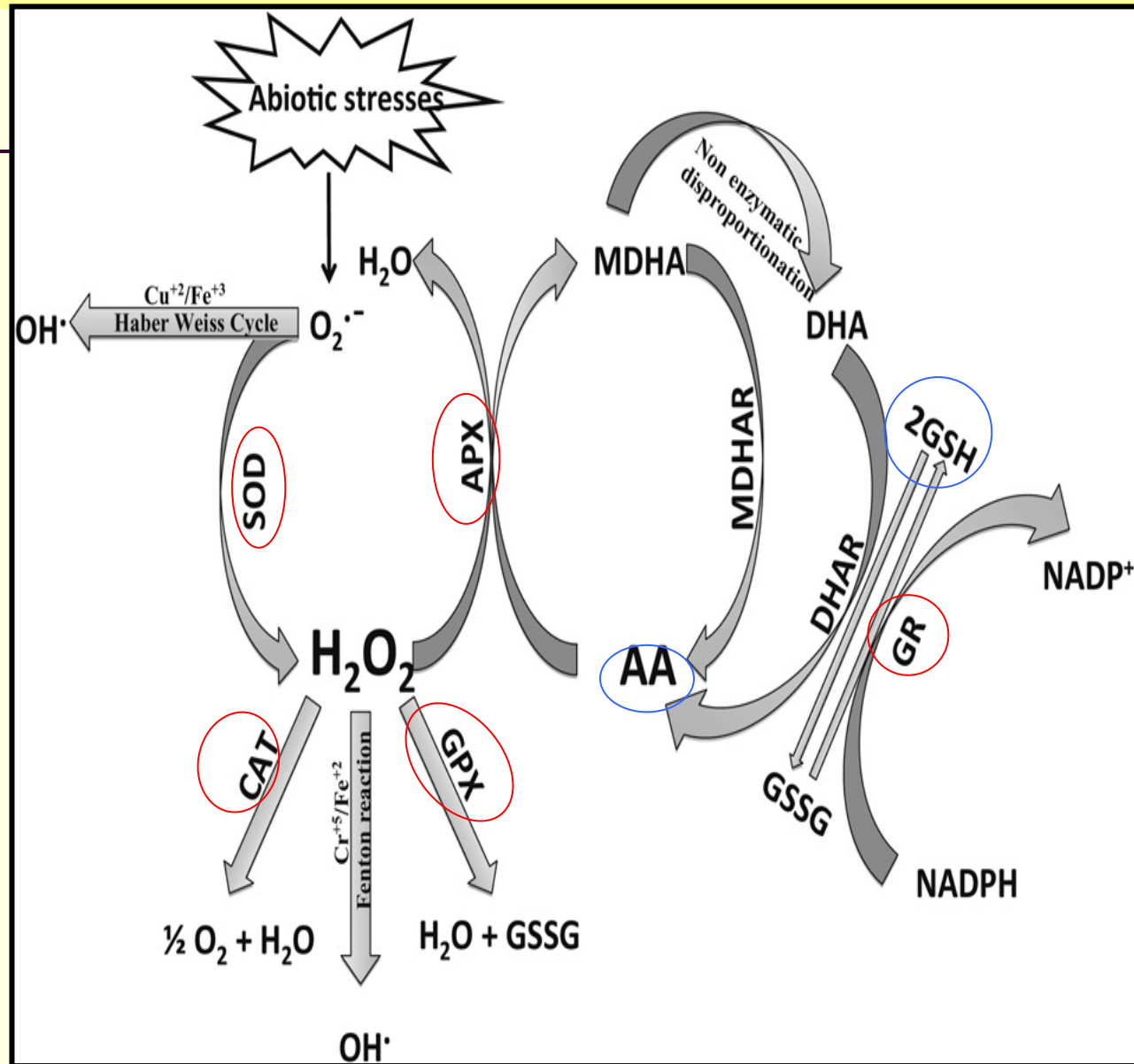


ROS are capable of unrestricted oxidation of ADN, Proteíns and Membrane lipids.

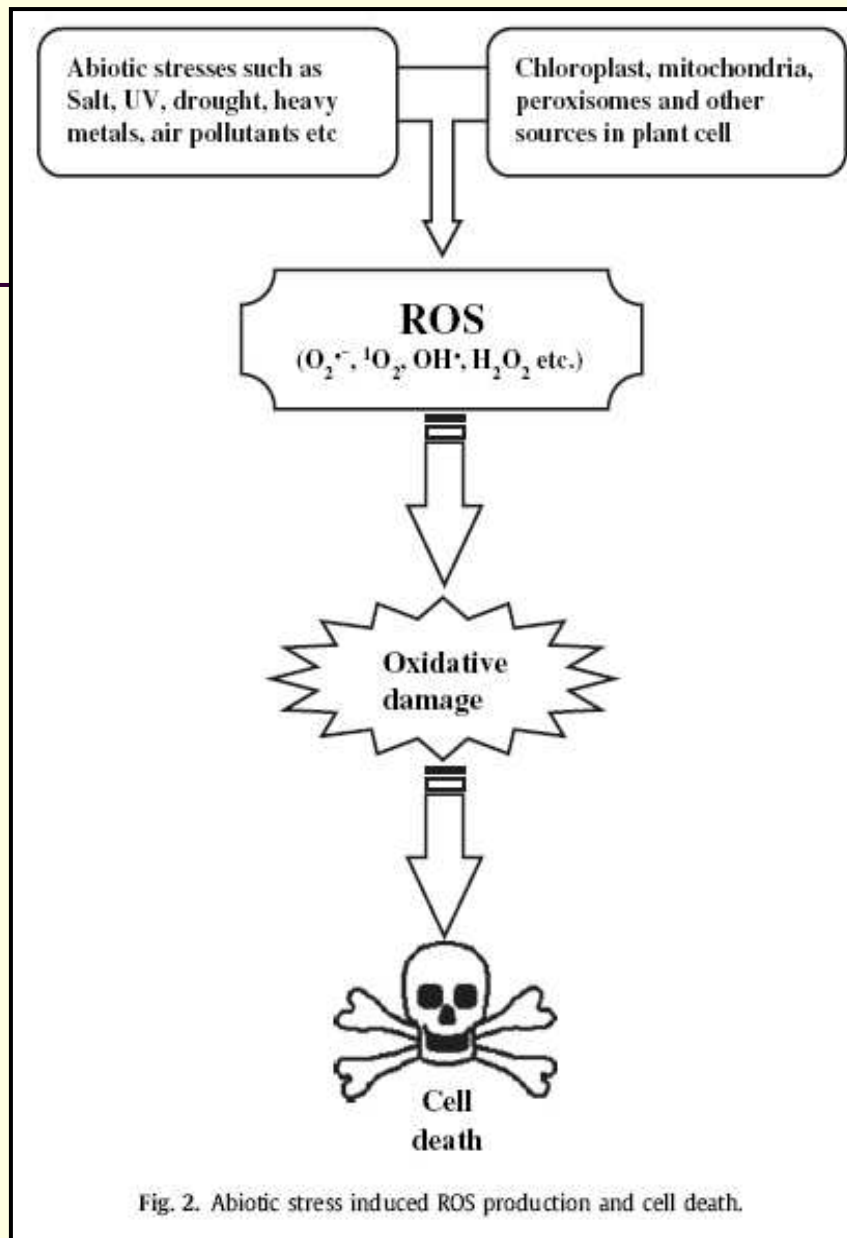
ROS generation in the cell



ANTIOXIDANT DEFENSES



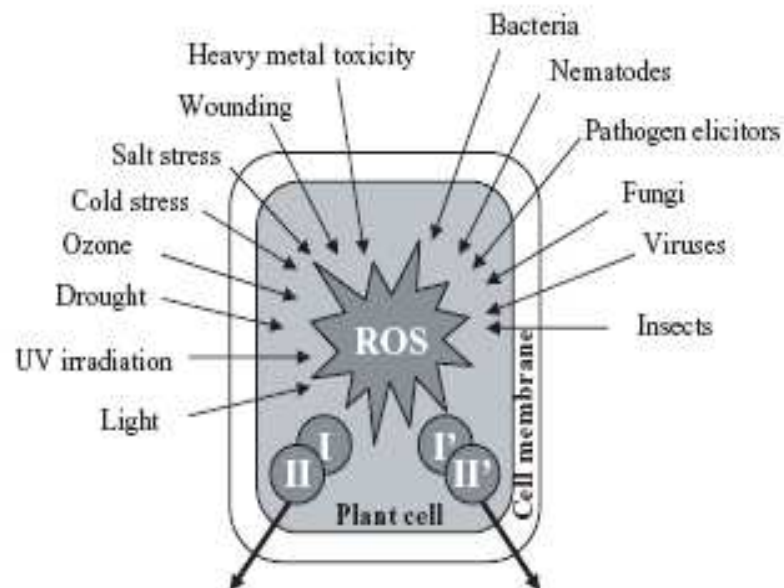
Gill and Tuteja, Plant Physiology and Biochemistry, 2010



Under normal conditions plants are continuously producing ROS

Both biotic and abiotic stresses increase ROS generation

Gill and Tuteja, Plant Physiology and Biochemistry, 2010



I Induction of specific set of abiotic stress resistance genes, activation of specific ionic pump flux, production of osmolytic compounds, sequestration of toxic molecules into compartmental vesicles, osmotic adjustments, activation of protein phosphorylation and dephosphorylation pathways.

I' Induction of specific set of defence genes against pathogen infections, production of antimicrobial compounds, activation of transcription factors and specific protein phosphorylation and dephosphorylation, re-enforcement of cell wall.

II Root development, gravitropism, stomatal closure, abiotic stress tolerance

II' Defence/Cell protection, resistance of host cells to pathogen infection, programmed cell death (PCD)

Figure 1. Involvement of ROS in cellular metabolic processes of plants response to both various environmental stresses. I and II indicate the subsequent downstream events mediating by ROS in plant cells exposed to abiotic stresses, while I' and II' indicate the subsequent downstream events mediating by ROS in plants cells exposed to pathogens and pathogen-elicitors. The resistance of the plant cells to stress condition is dependent of the intensity and the speed of these downstream events.

ROS seem to have a dual effect that depend on their overall cellular amount

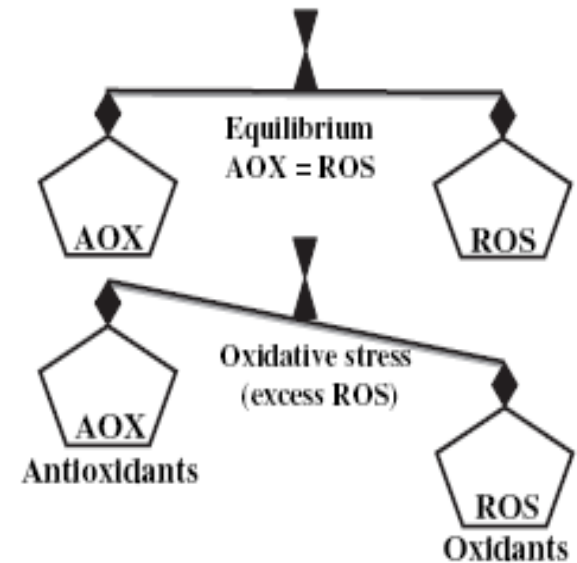
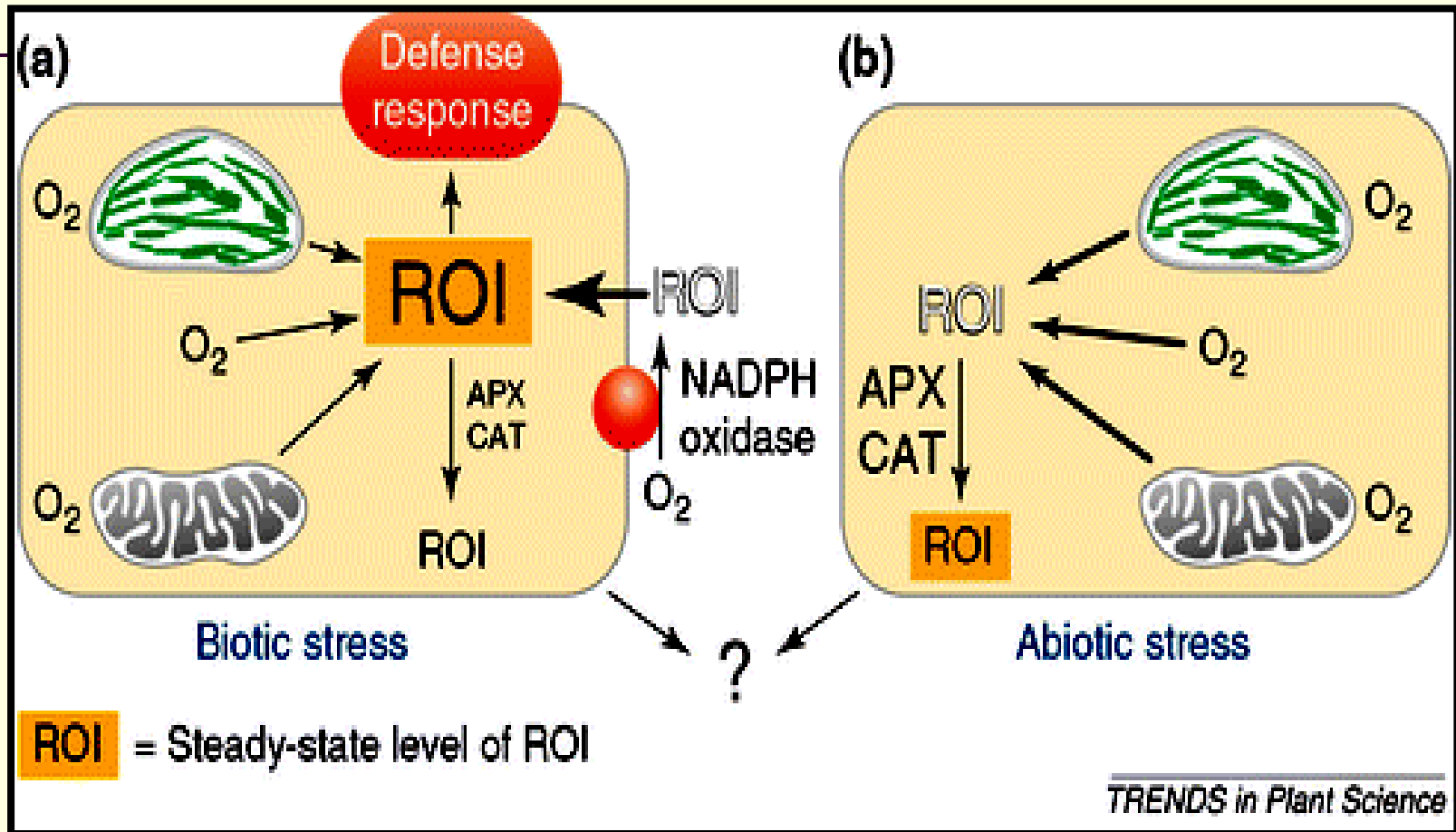


Fig. 1. Equilibrium between AOX and ROS.

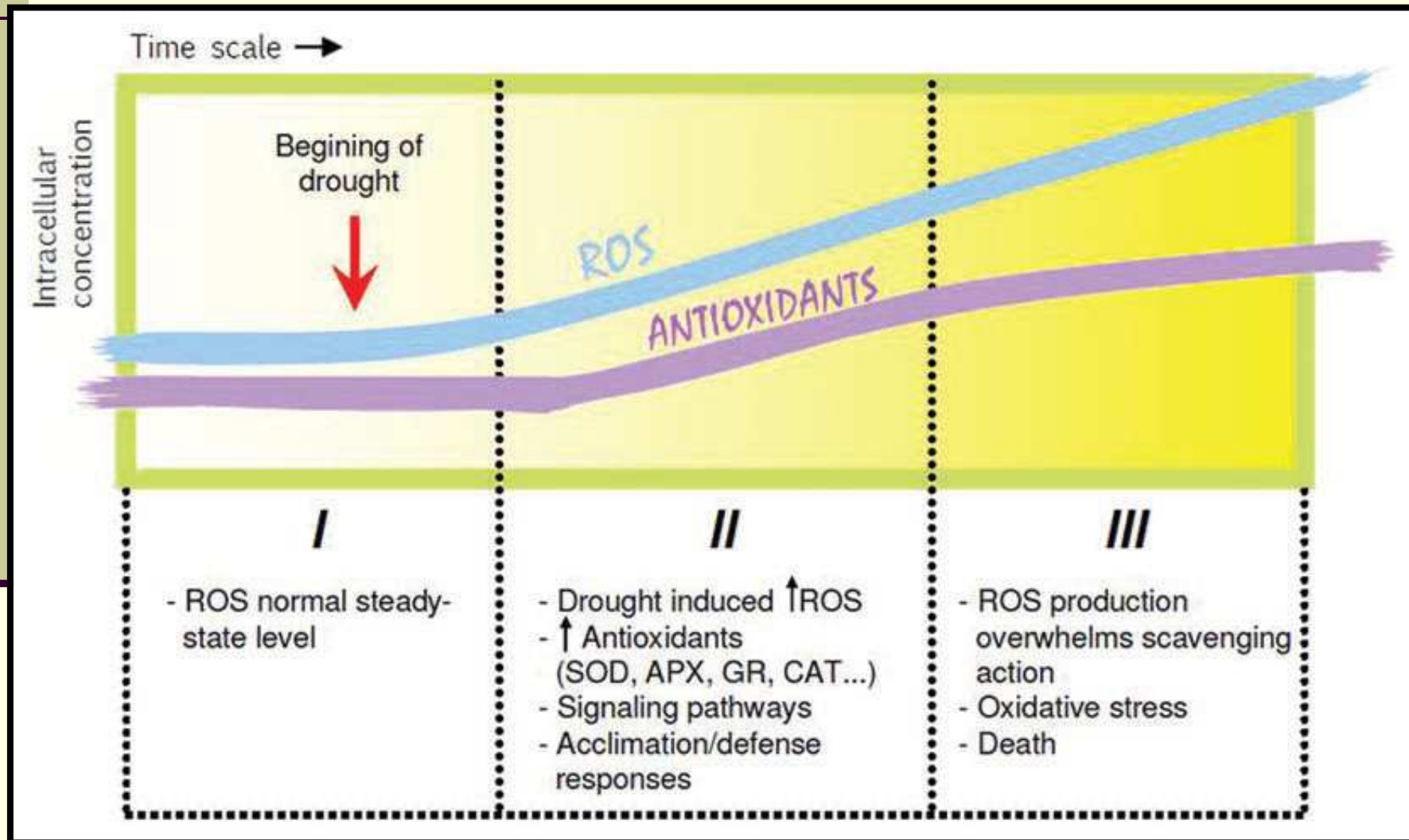
ROS IN BIOTIC AND ABIOTIC STRESS



DUAL EFFECT: LIKE SIGNALS OR OXIDATIVE DAMAGE

ABIOTIC STRESS

Drought stress response proposed model in three consecutive phases





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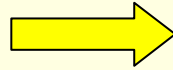
Breeding Programme

Forage: *Cenchrus ciliaris* L

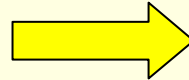
General Hypothesis: Genotypes showing better behaviour to oxidative stress under different abiotic stress, could be selected as more tolerant genotypes

Our Experimental system :

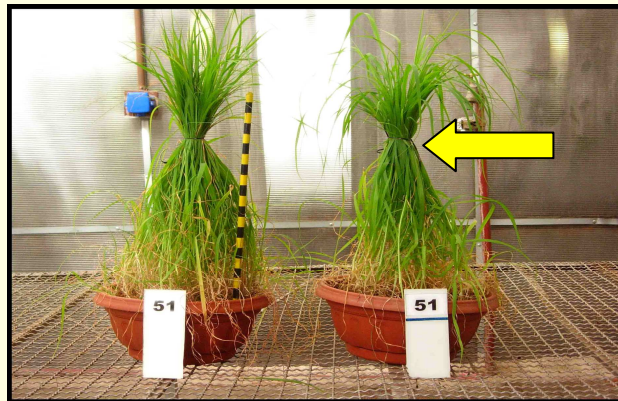
Growing
genotypes in
greenhouse



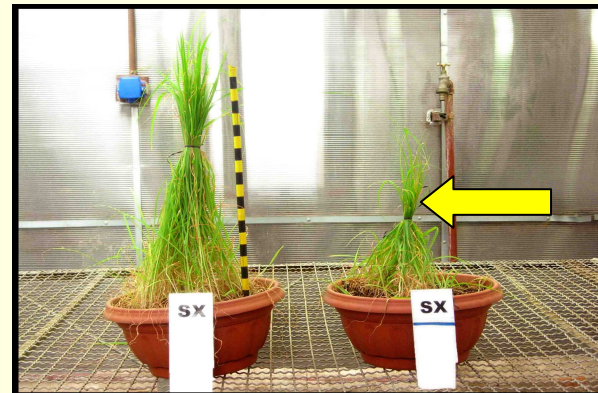
Abiotic stress under
controled
conditions



RECUPERATION in greenhouse



BILOELA



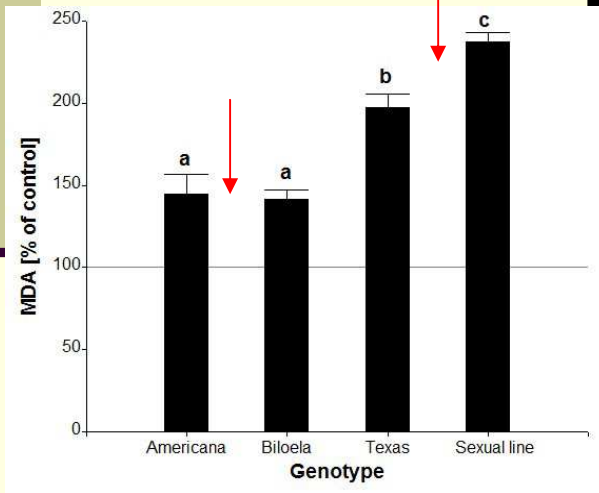
SEXUAL



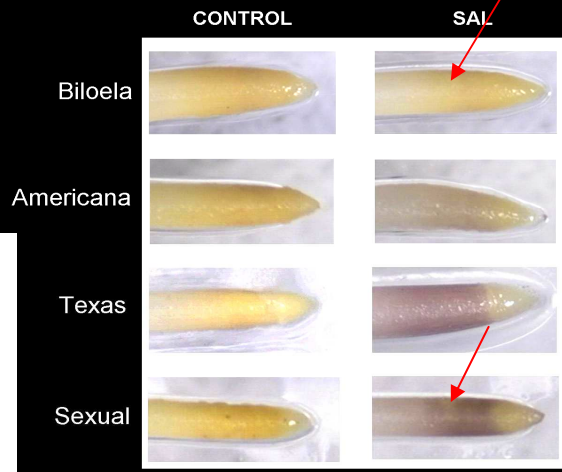
Oxidative damage and antioxidant defenses as potential indicators of salt-tolerant *Cenchrus ciliaris* L. genotypes

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OXIDATIVE DAMAGE as MDA CONTENT



Contenido de ión superóxido en raíces



OXIDATIVE DAMAGE EVALUATED AS ION SUPEROXIDE CONTENT

Antioxidants defenses as selection criteria

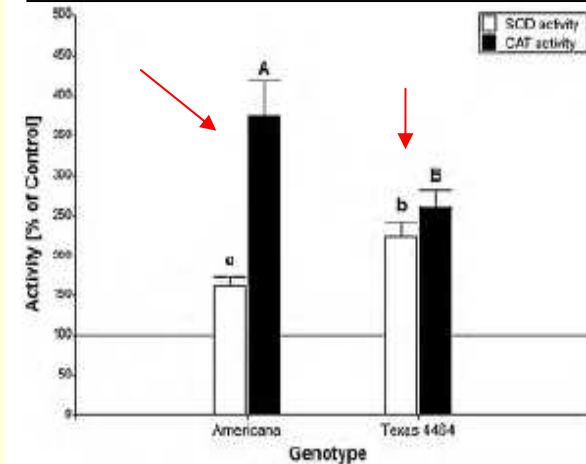


Fig. 2. Effect of NaCl on the activity of antioxidant enzymes, SOD and CAT, in leaves of the more tolerant genotype Americana and less tolerant genotype Texas 4464. Results are expressed as percentage of the control. Different letters indicate significant differences ($p < 0.05$).

Research Note

Malondialdehyde content as a potential biochemical indicator of tolerant *Cenchrus ciliaris* L. genotypes under heat stress treatment

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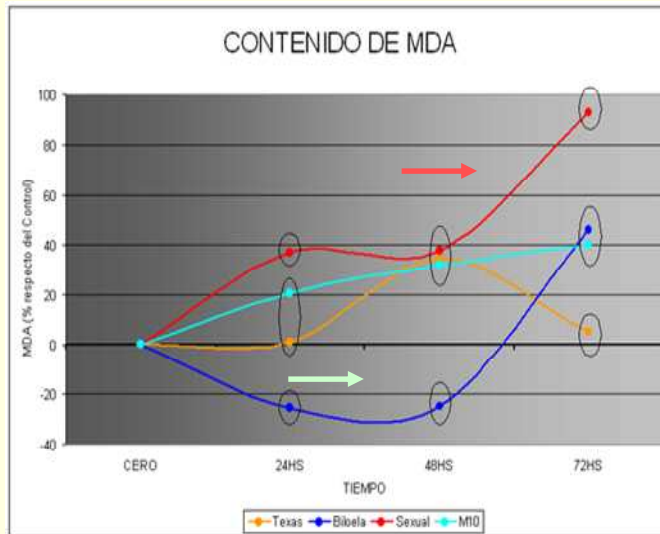


Figura 1: variación del contenido de MDA durante el EsT. Puntos dentro del mismo círculo no presentan diferencias significativas.

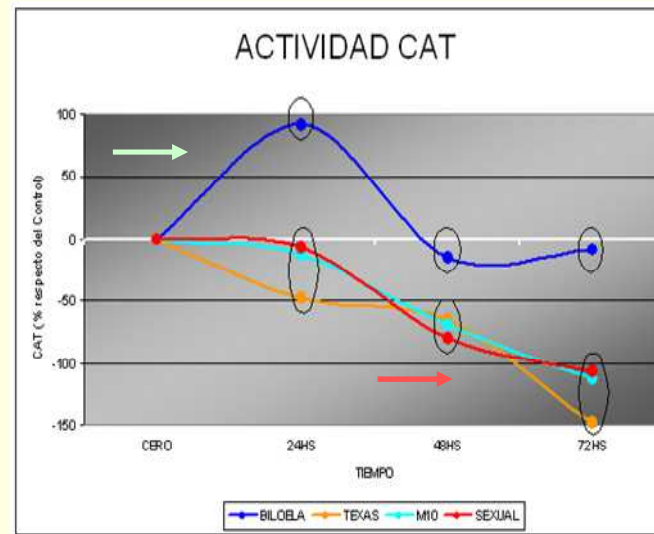


Figura 2: variación de la actividad CAT durante el EsT. Puntos dentro del mismo círculo no presentan diferencias significativas.

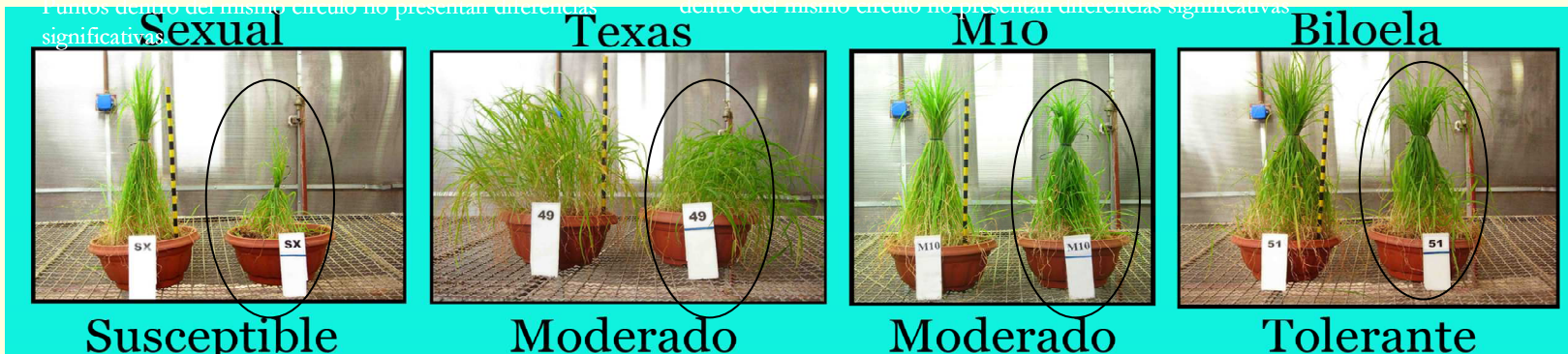
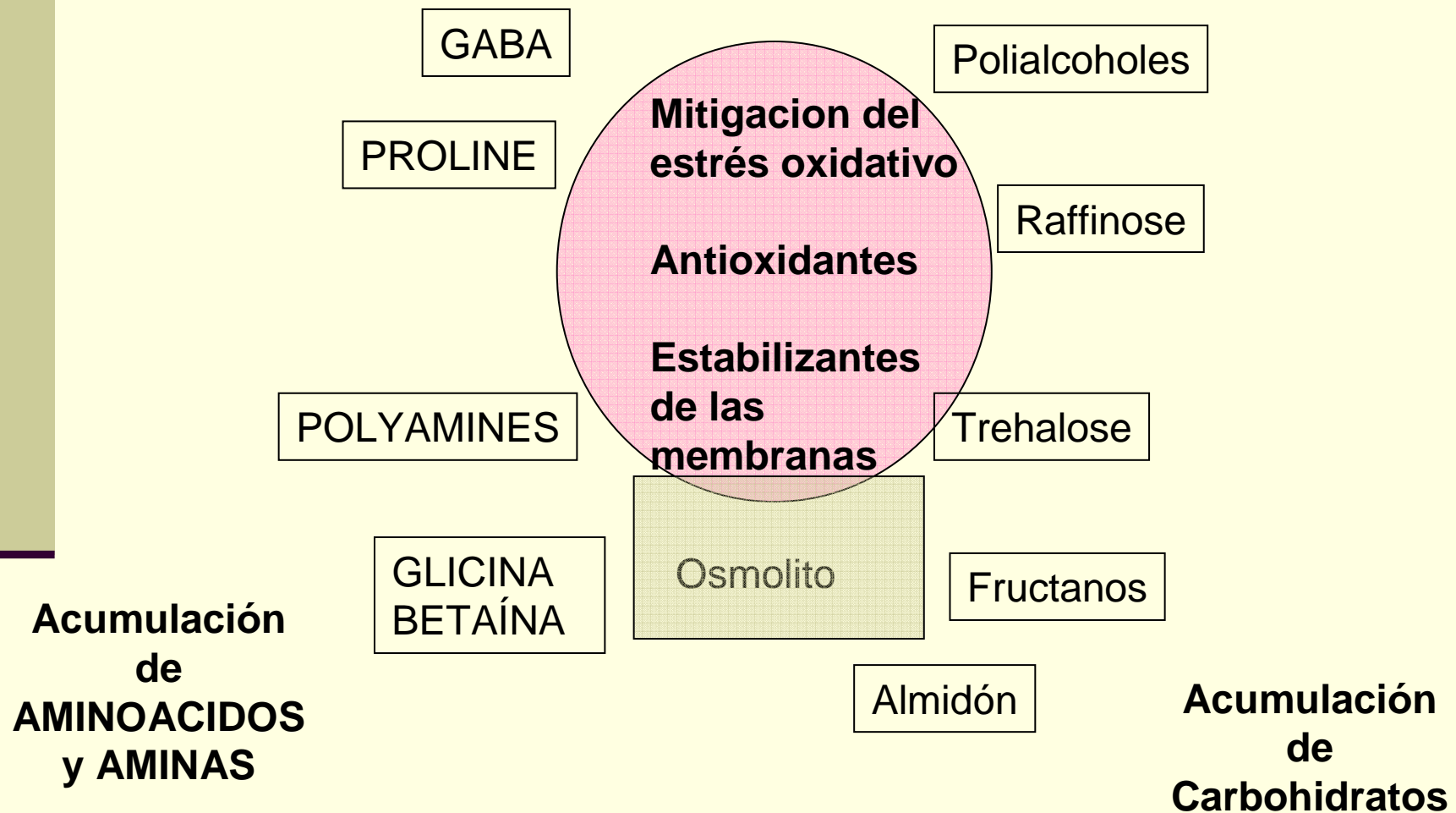


Figura 6: macetas control (izquierda) y macetas con EsT (derecha) al final del ensayo.

Drought, salt, and temperature stress-induced metabolic rearrangements and regulatory networks.

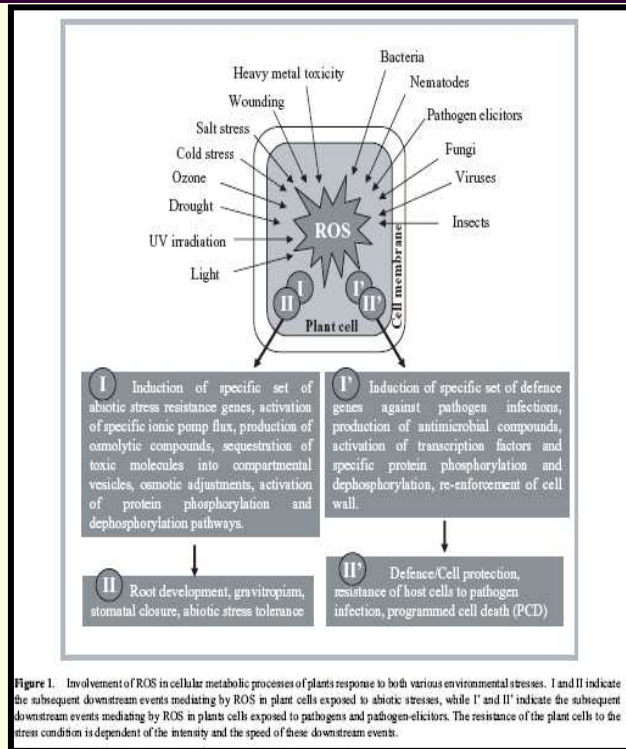
Julia Krasensky and Claudia Jonak. Journal of Experimental Botany, Page 1 of 16, doi:10.1093/jxb/err460 (2012).



SUMMARY POINTS



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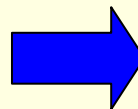


IN GENERAL:

- Genotypes tolerant to oxidative stress were tolerant to other stress.

- Overexpression of enzymes for scavenging ROS INCREASE TOLERANCE

Biochemical Selection markers of abiotic stress tolerant genotypes

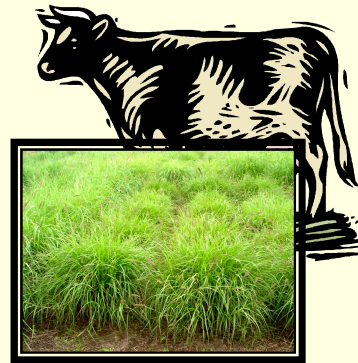


MDA
Permeability
Chlorophyll
ROS

+ Proline
Glycine Betaine

Rafinose
Trehalose
Polialcoholes

EMBRAPA-INTA



**Plant Physiologists and
Plant Breeders working
together**

Gracias!