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...s in the control of carbohydrate
...garcane: *a possible relationship*
...nsion and sucrose accumulation

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Lines of research in sugarcane biology



Sugarcane responses to the climatic changes
(CO₂, temperature and water)

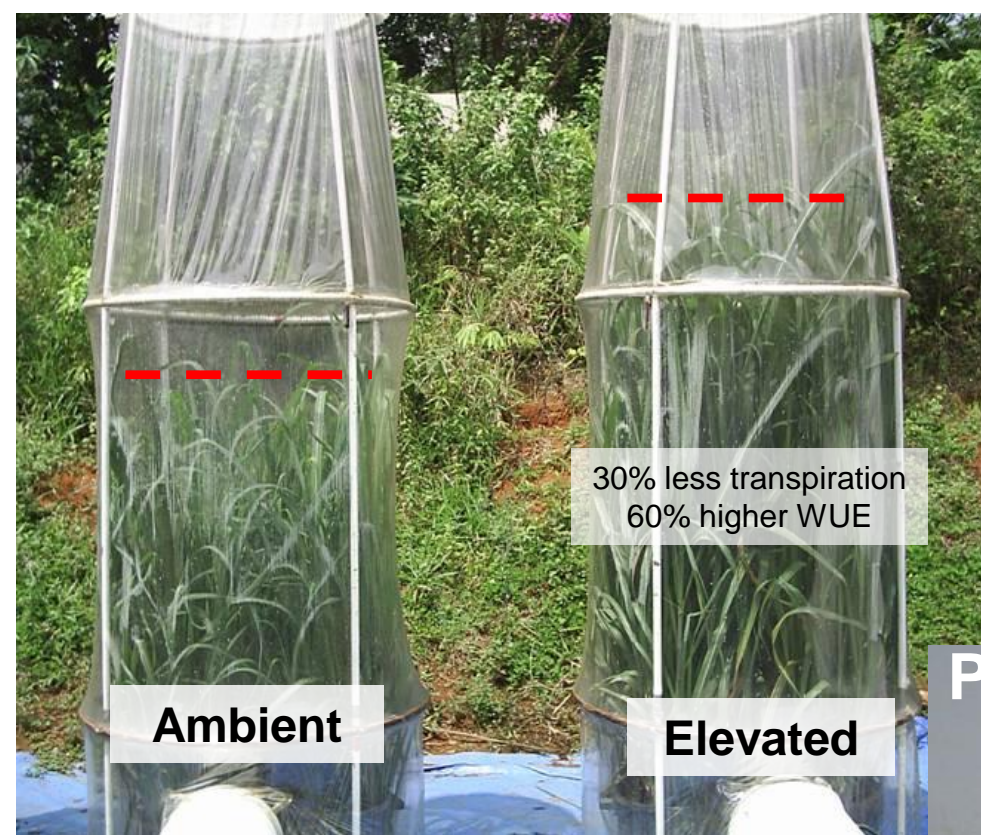
Sugarcane cell wall
(structure, architecture and metabolism)

Sugarcane physiology
(hormonal regulation of carbohydrate metabolism)

Elevated CO₂ increases photosynthesis, biomass and productivity, and modifies gene expression in sugarcane

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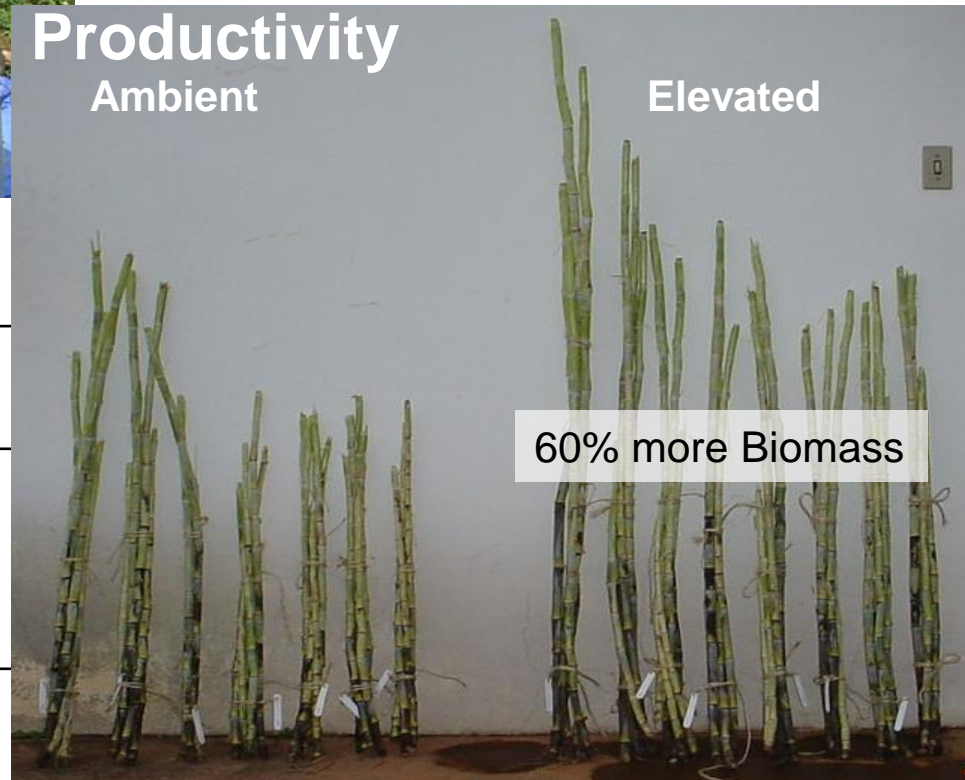
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Productivity

Ambient

Elevated



Fiber(% FW)

Sucrose (% FW)

Ambient

6.62 ± 0.13

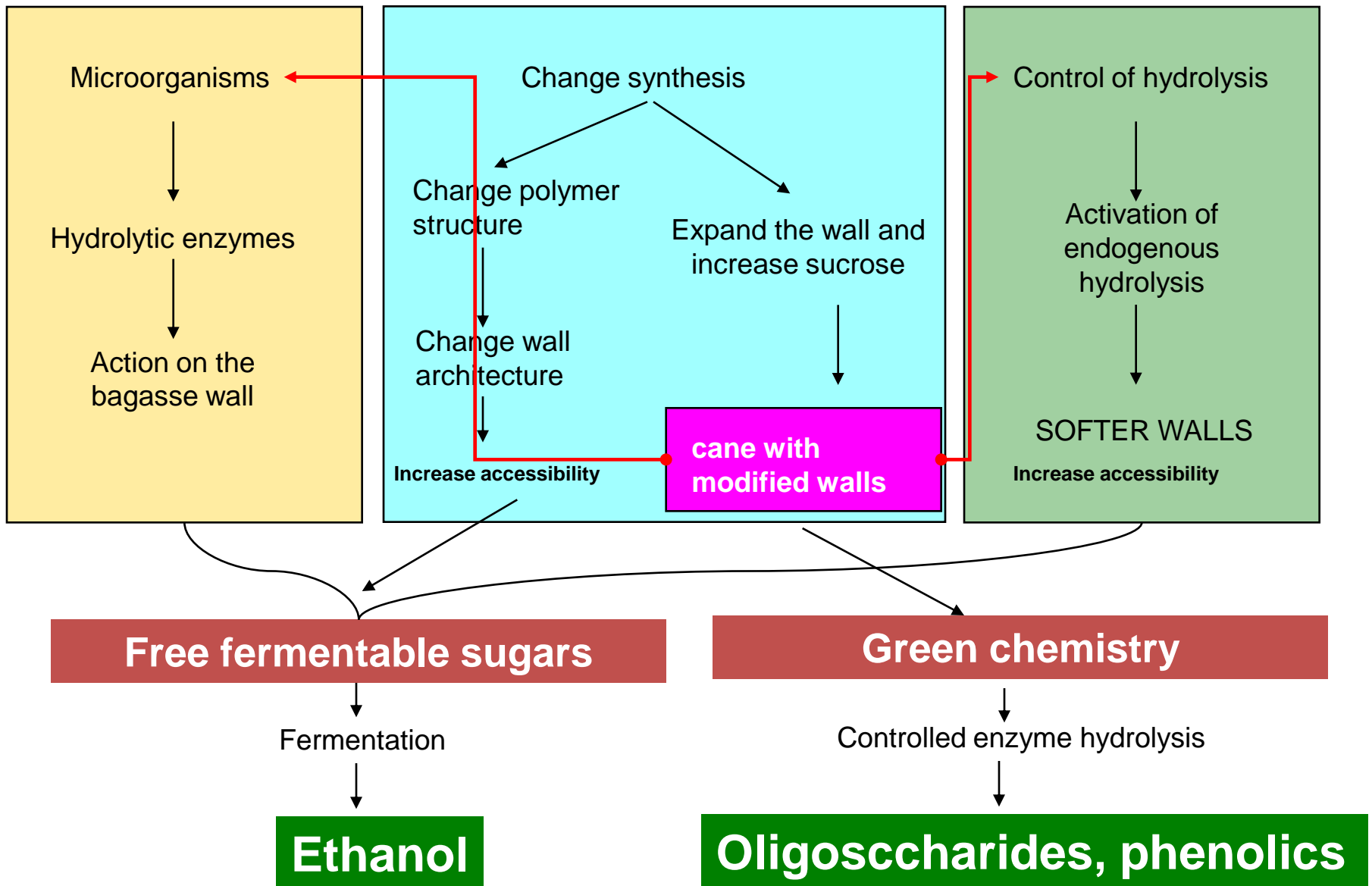
2.18 ± 0.20

Elevated

7.13 ± 0.21

2.82 ± 0.14*

How to modify the wall to obtain energy and other valuable products?



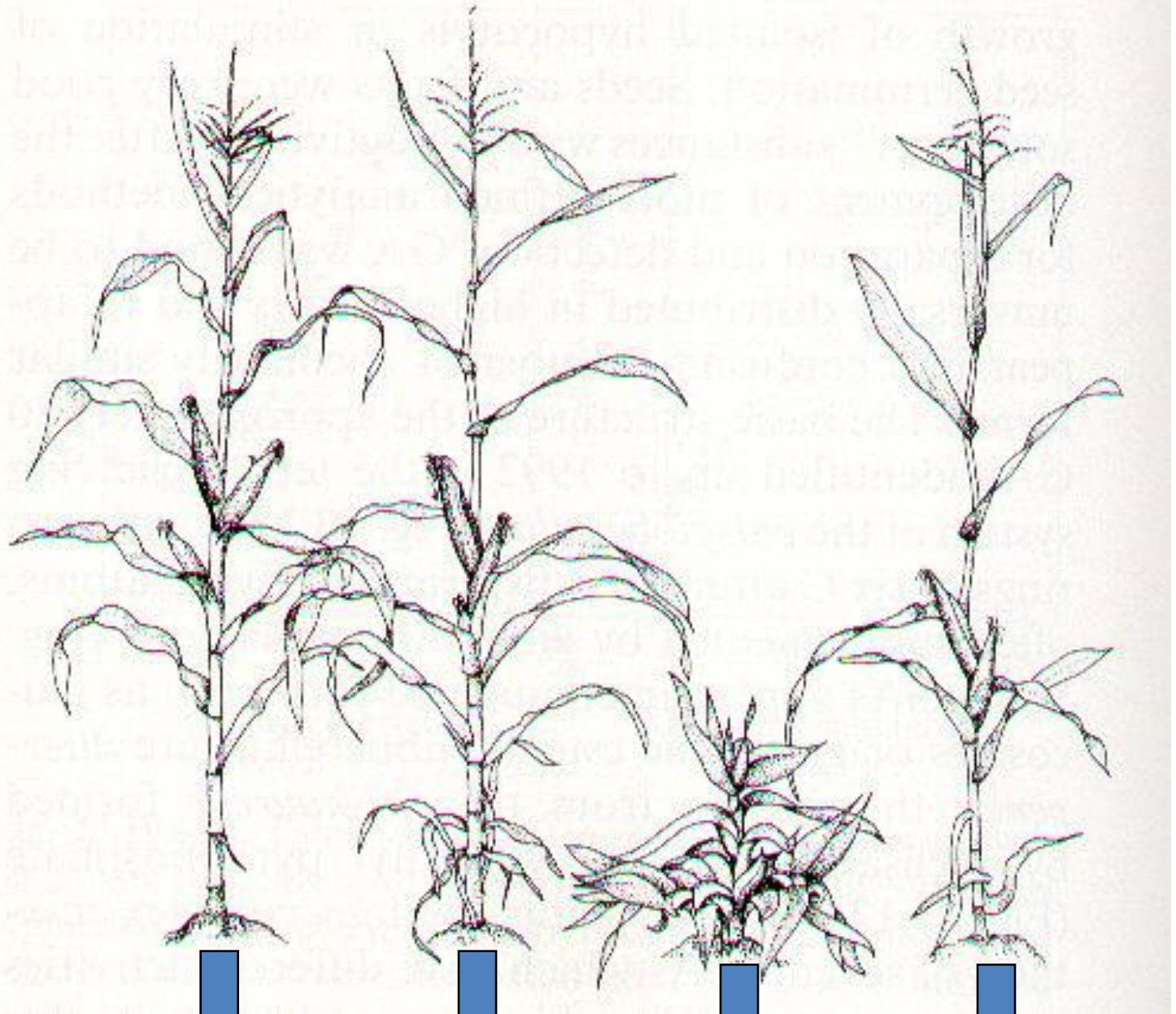
Gibberellin-responsive plants have better early growth

Gibberellin responsive



Gibberellin insensitive





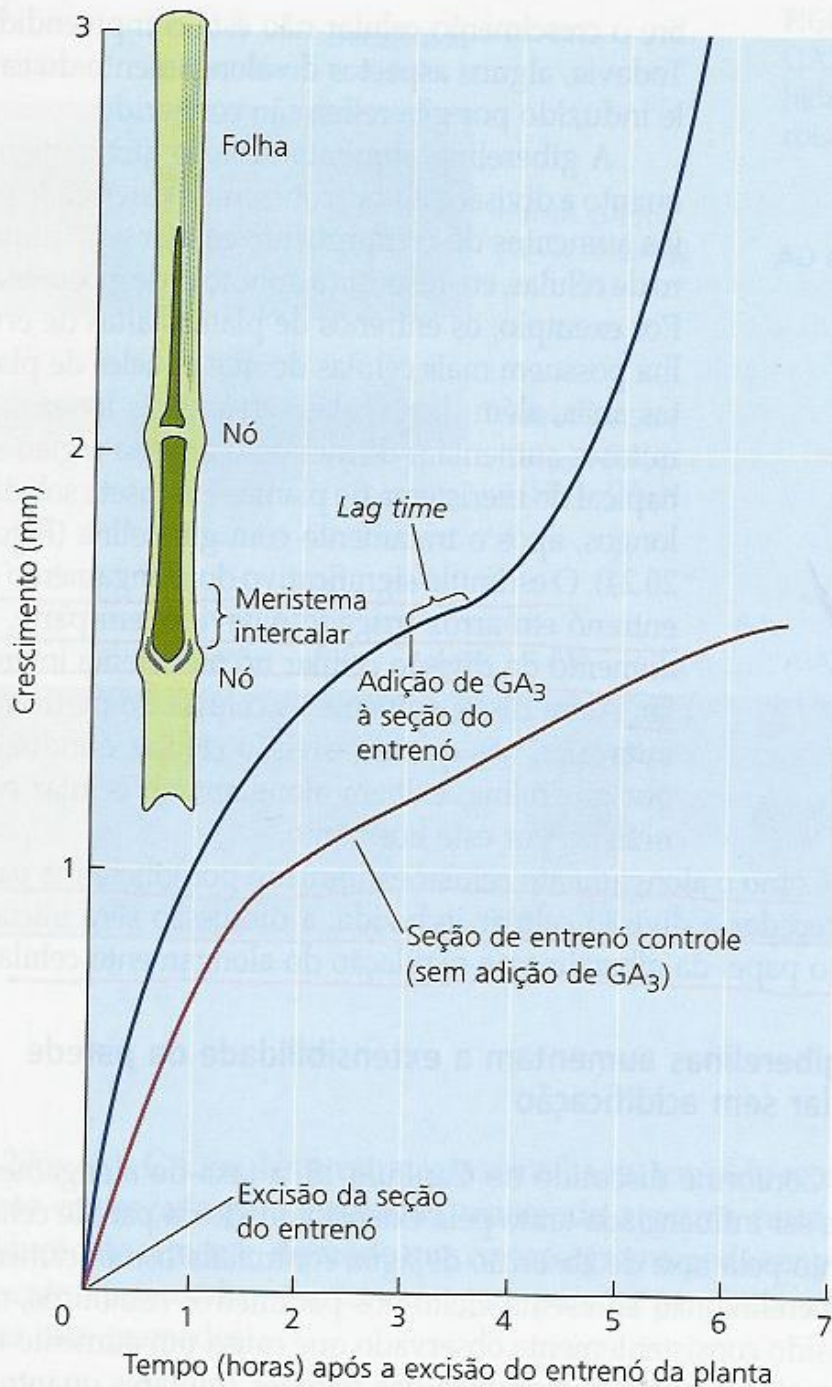
wild

wild.+ GA3

Dwarf mutant

Dwarf + GA3

Effect of GA₃ on development of the intercalary meristem of rice



Giberelinas and cell division

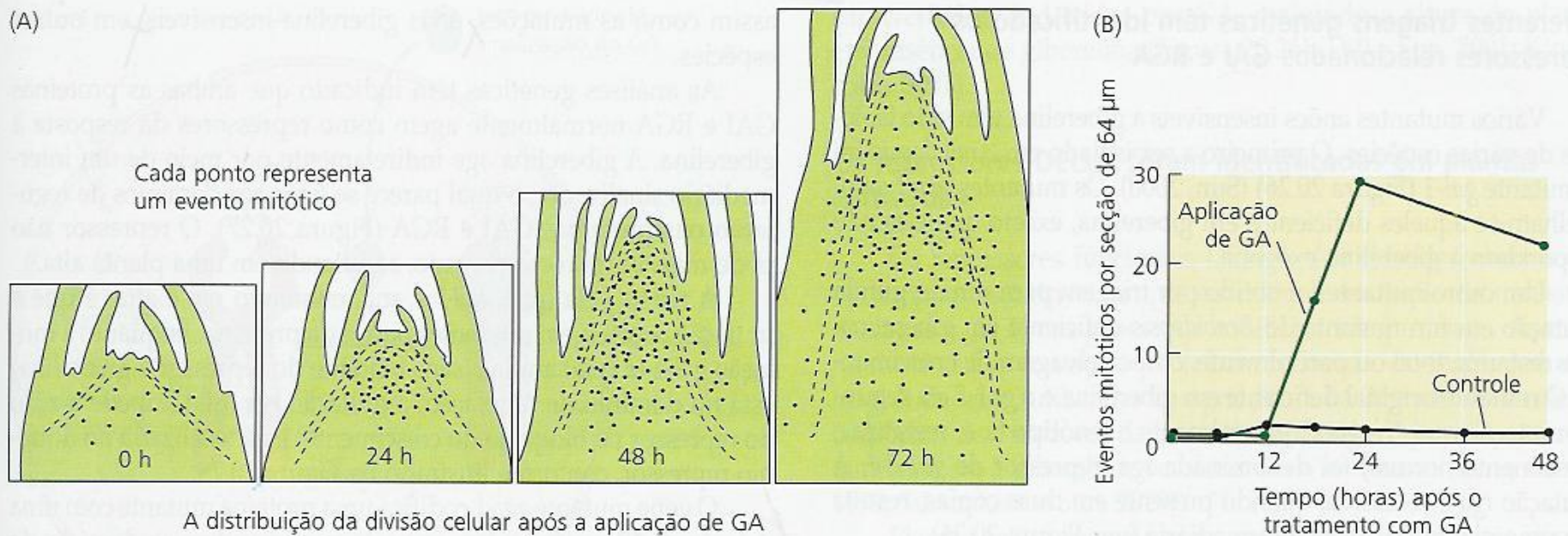


FIGURA 20.24 Aplicações de giberelina em plantas na forma de rosetas induzem o alongamento dos entrenós, em parte por aumentar a divisão celular. (A) Seções longitudinais através do eixo de *Samolus parviflorus* mostram um aumento na divisão celular após a aplicação de GA (cada ponto representa um evento mitótico em uma seção de 64 μm de espessura). (B) O número de eventos mitóticos com e sem GA em ápices caulinares de meimendo (*Hyoscyamus niger*) (Sachs, 1965).

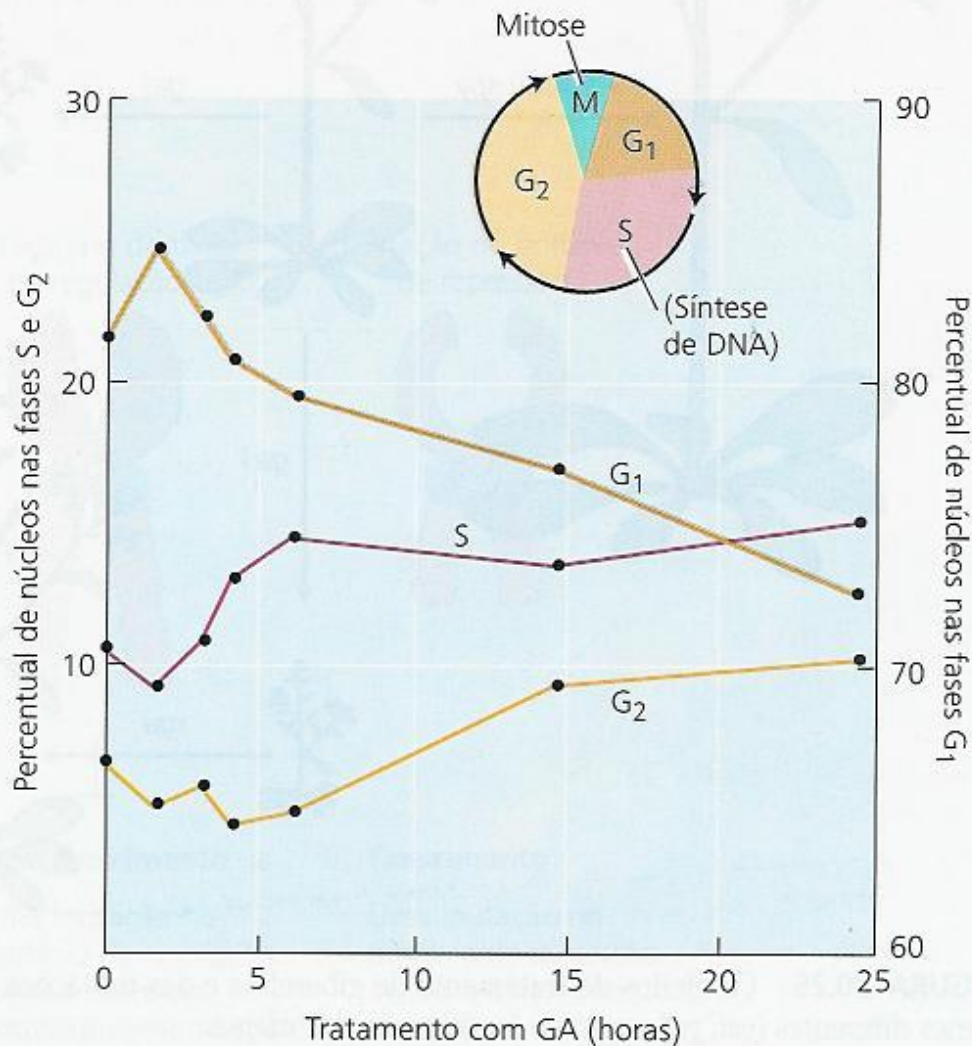
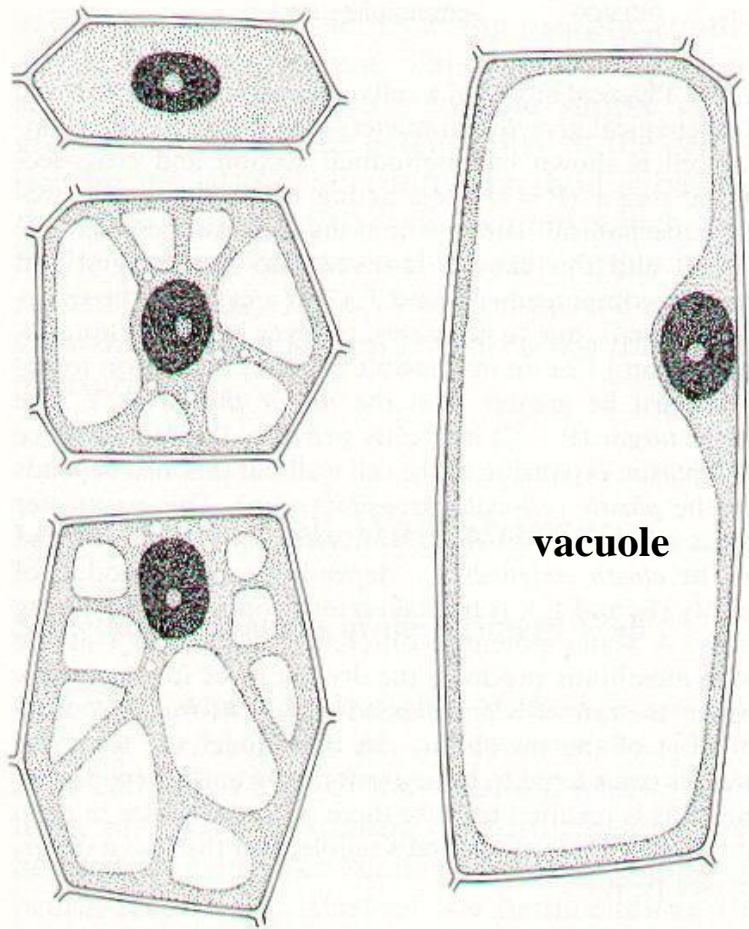


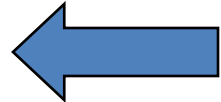
FIGURA 20.25 Mudanças no ciclo celular de núcleos do meristema intercalar de entrenós de plantas de arroz irrigado tratadas com GA₃. Observe que a escala para núcleos em G₁ está a direita do gráfico (Sauter e Kende, 1992).

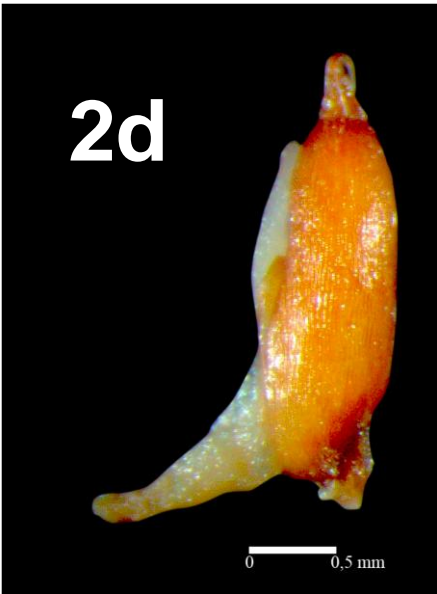
Giberelinas and the cell cycle

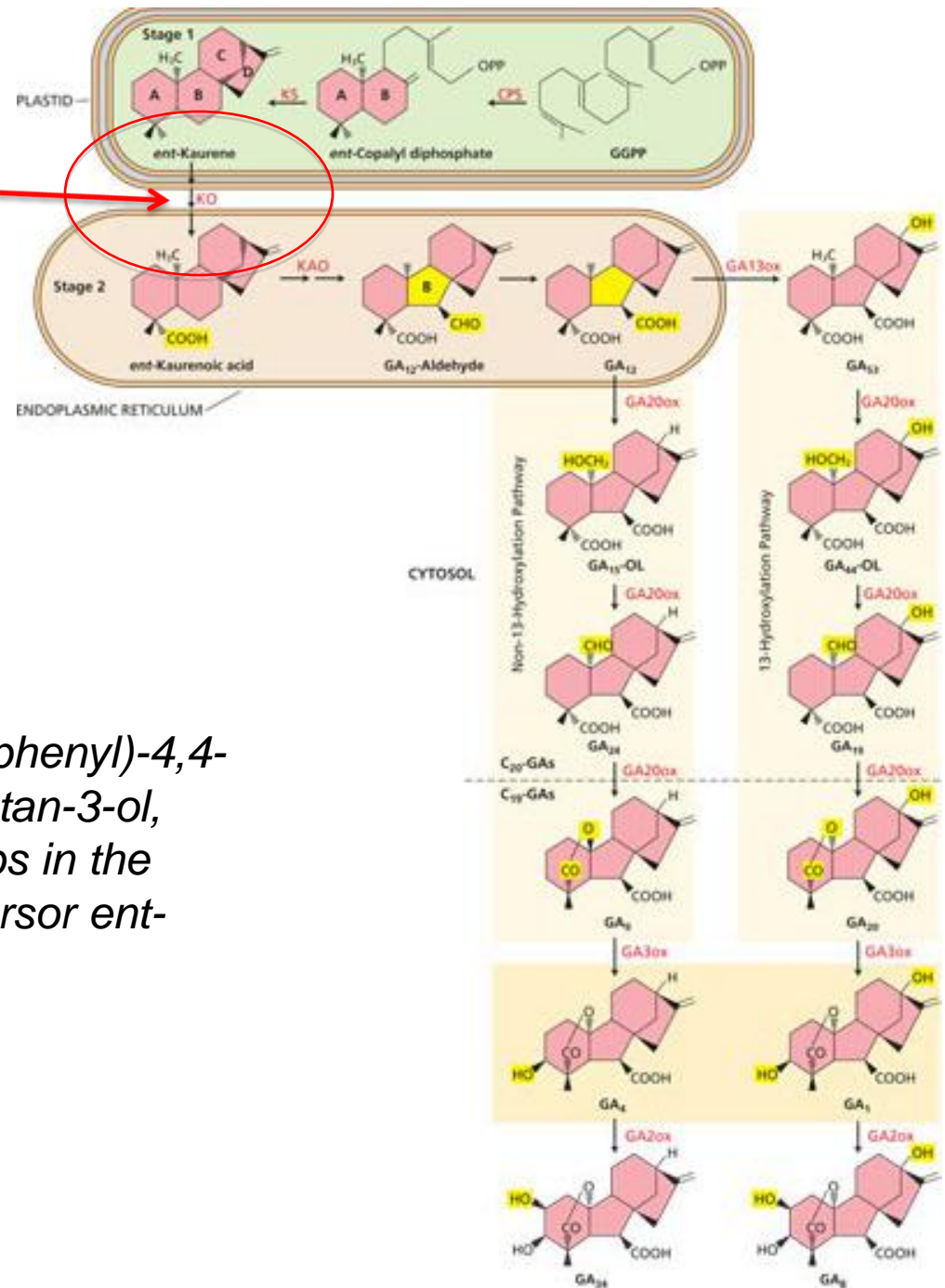
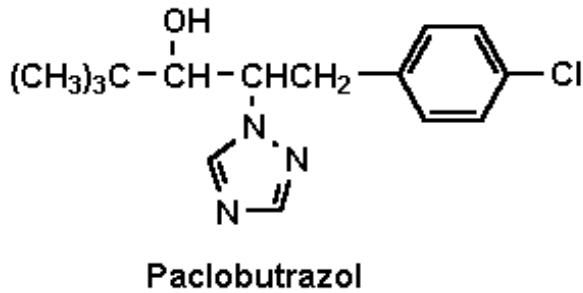
Meristematic cell



Mature cell



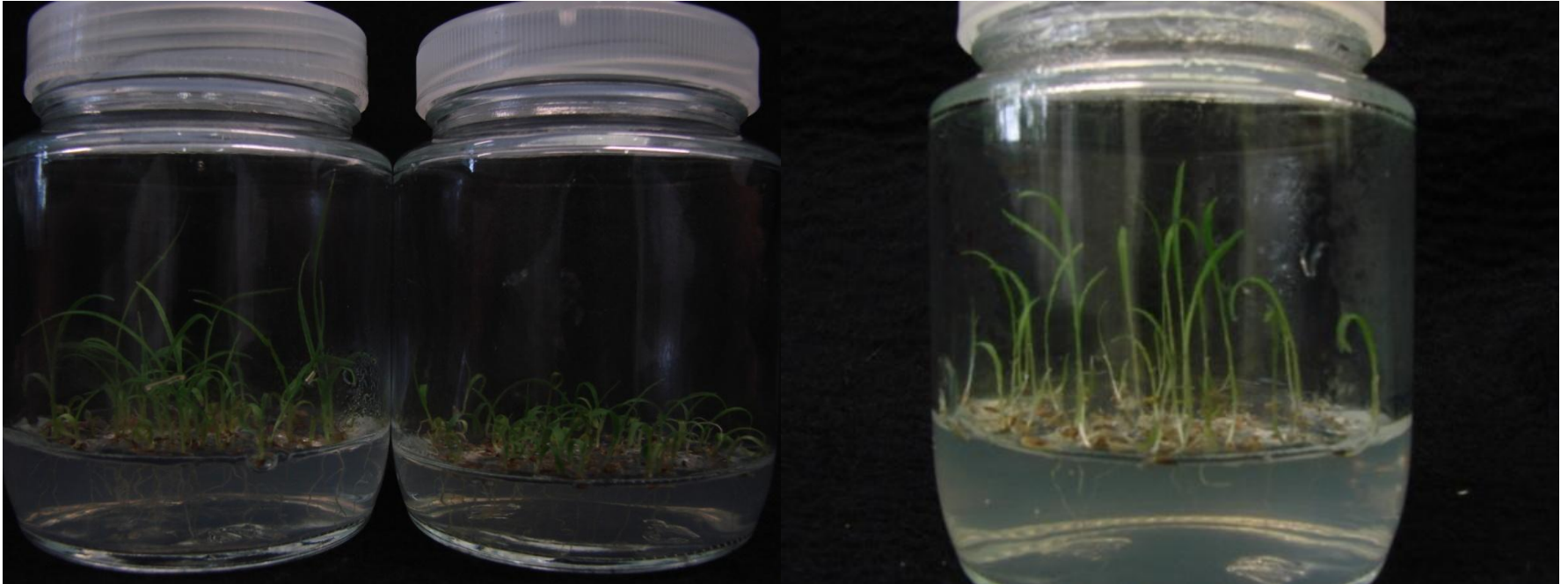




(PP333) (2*RS*, 3*RS*)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-2-(1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)pentan-3-ol, inhibits specifically the three steps in the oxidation of the gibberellin-precursor *ent*-kaurene to *ent*-kaurenoic acid

Material and Methods

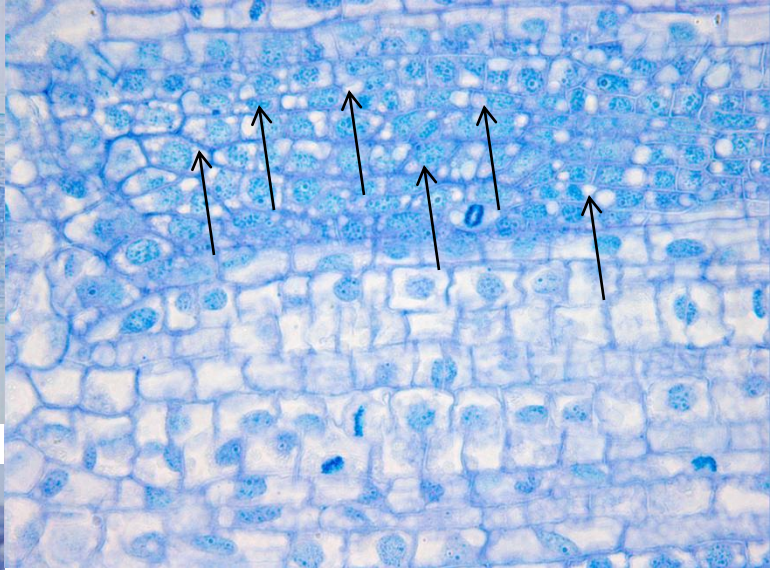
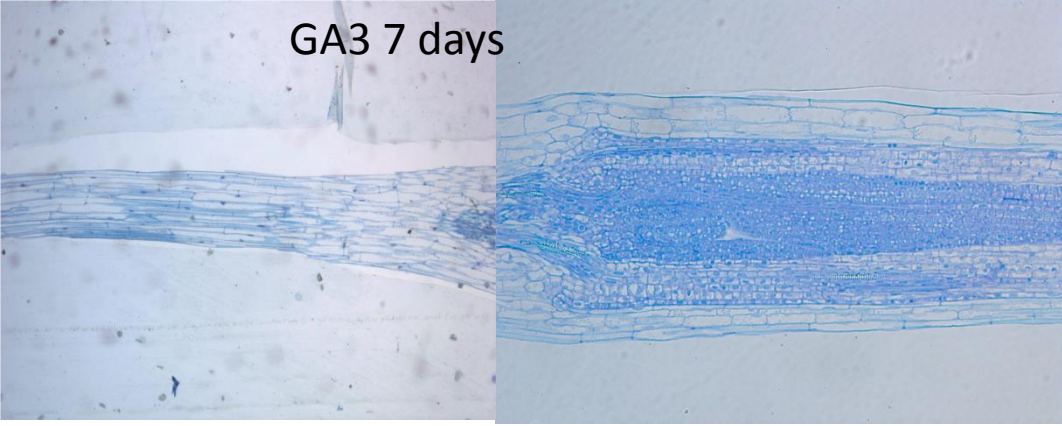
Seedlings were obtained from seeds (SP 87425 x SP 88813) donated by CTC – Sugarcane Technology Center (Piracicaba, SP)
Grown in MS culture medium in the presence of GA3



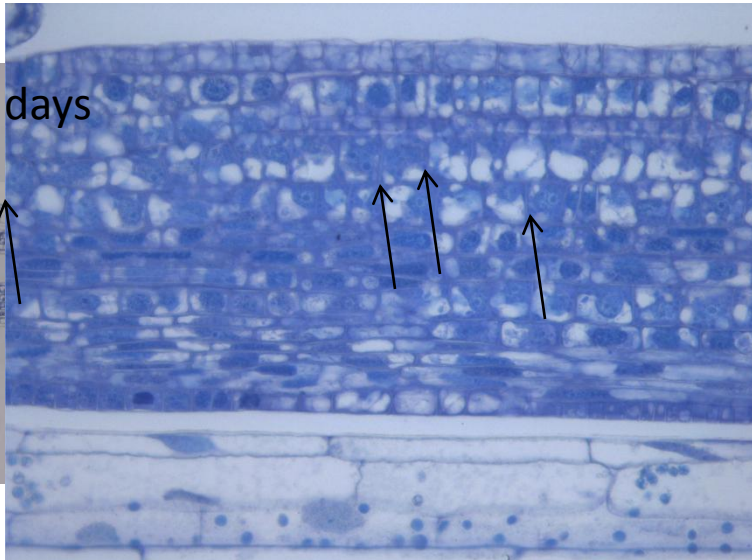
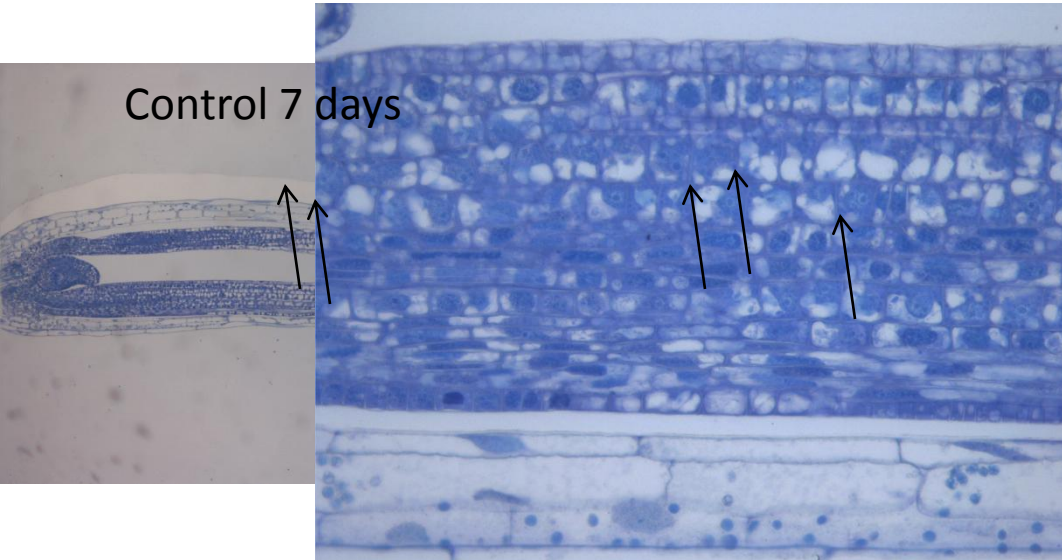
The plants were washed with distilled water, dehydrated with progressive concentrations of ethanol and fixed in Karnovisk.

The slides were stained with toluidine blue and analysed by light microscopy

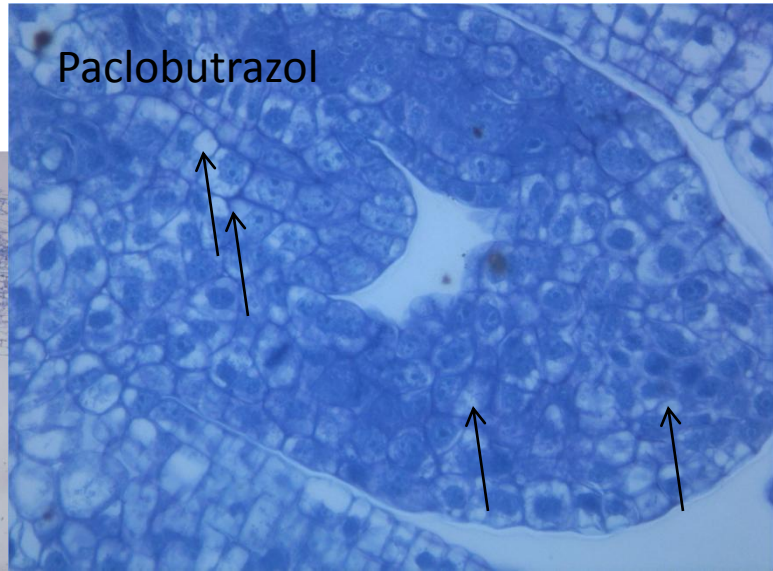
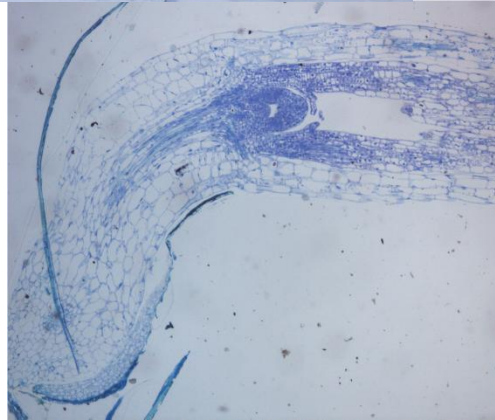
GA3 7 days



Control 7 days



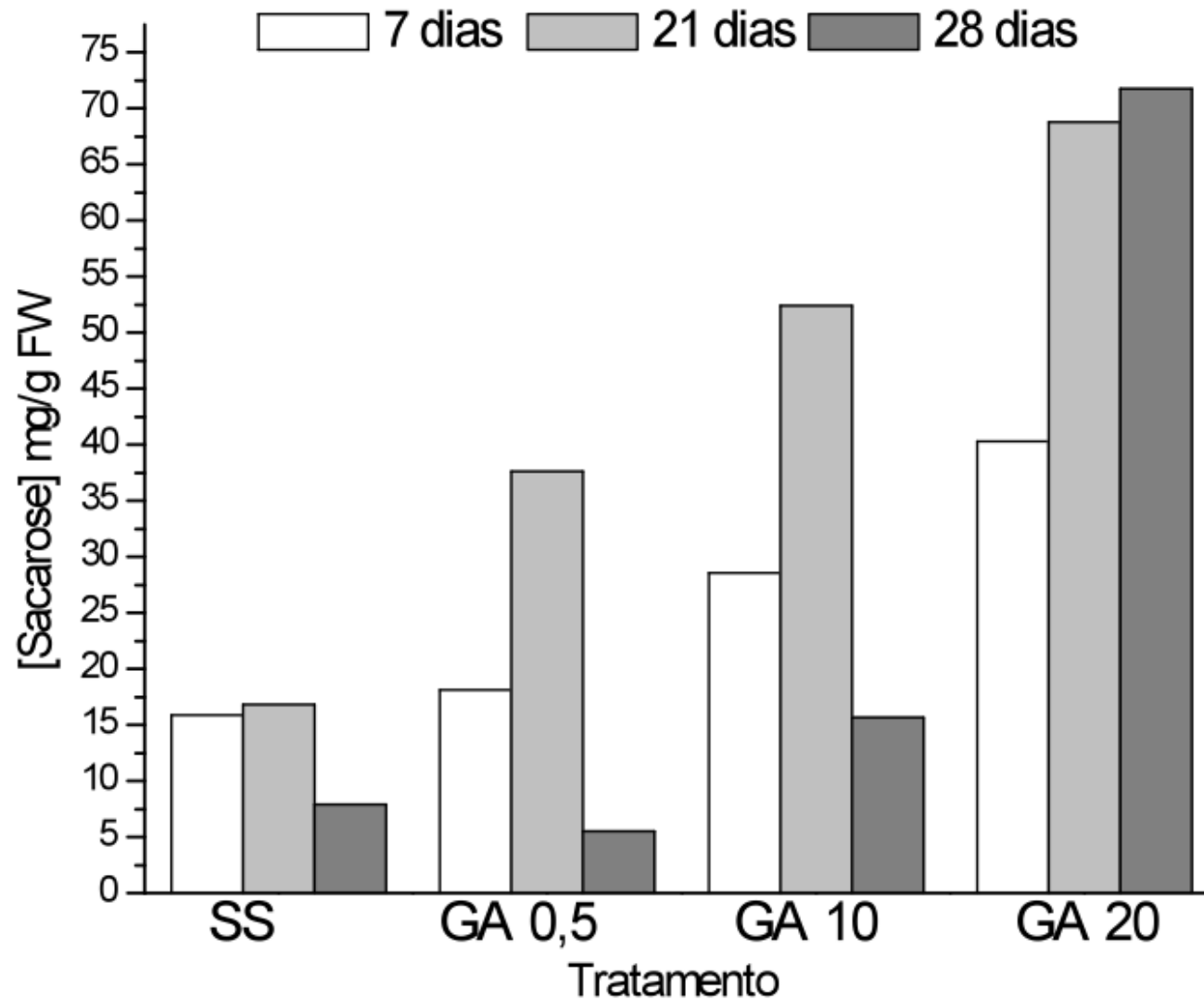
Paclobutrazol



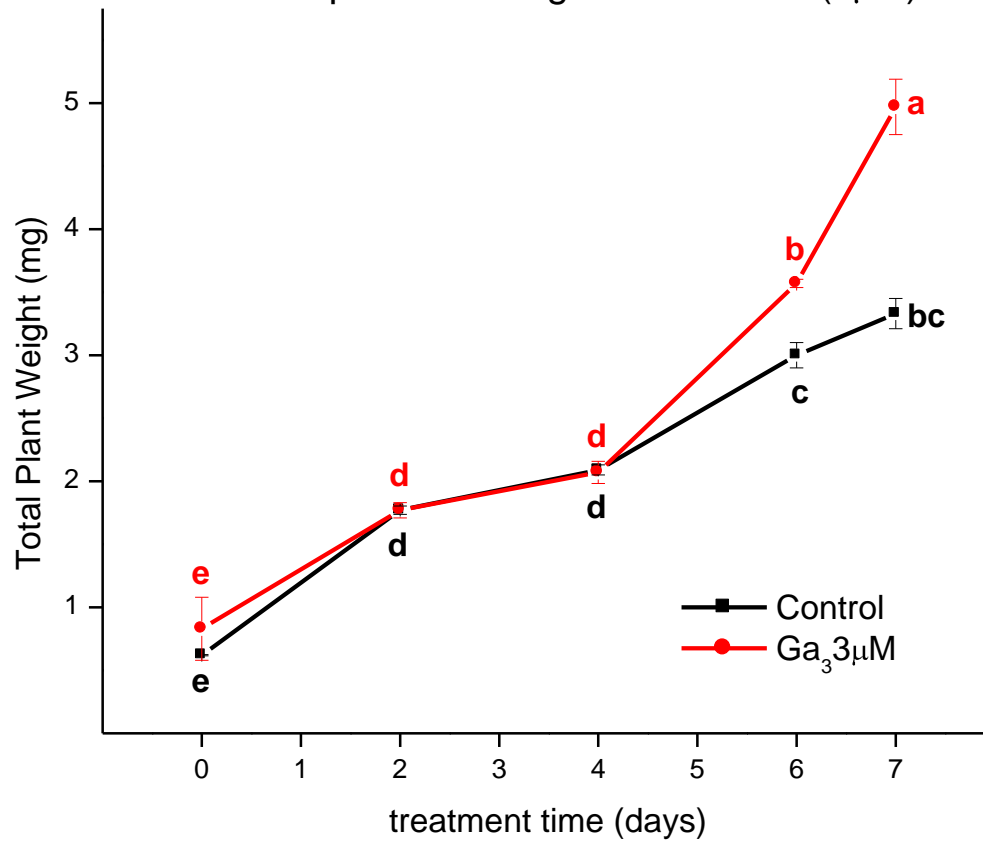
GA and seed germination

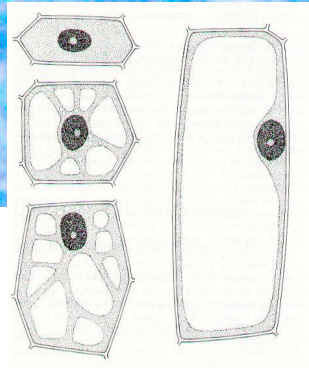
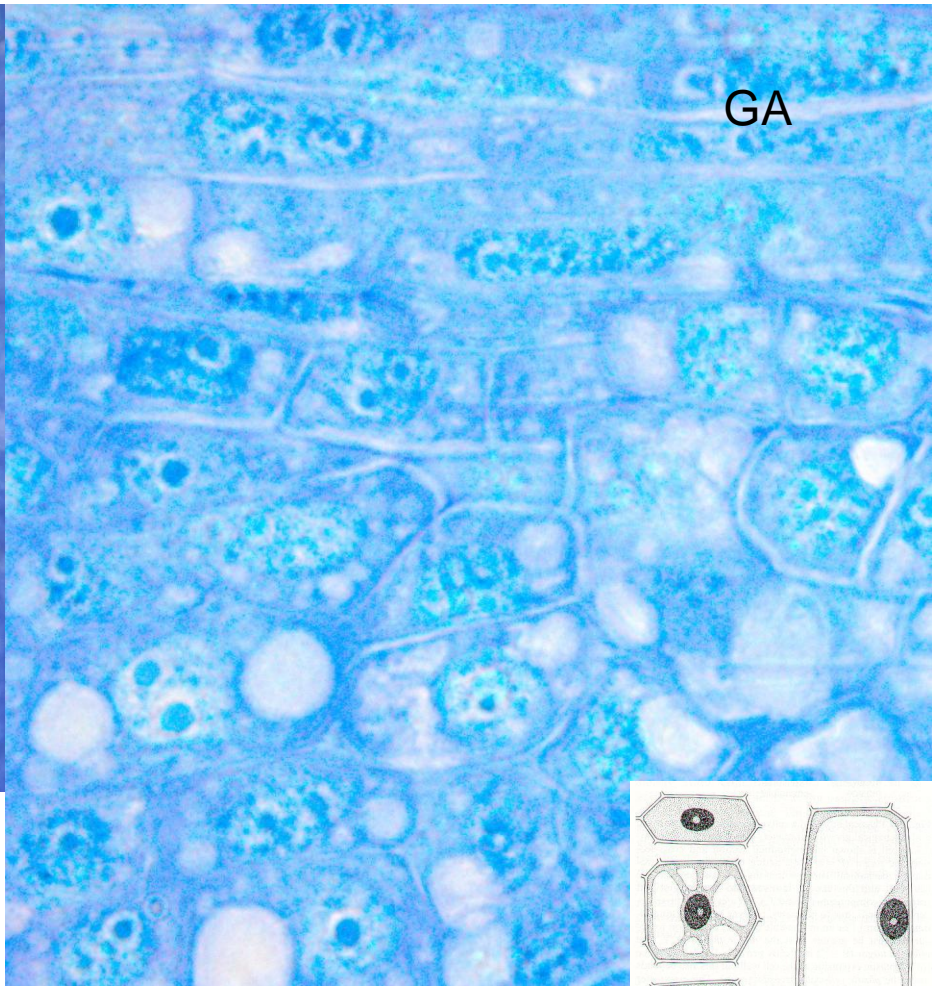
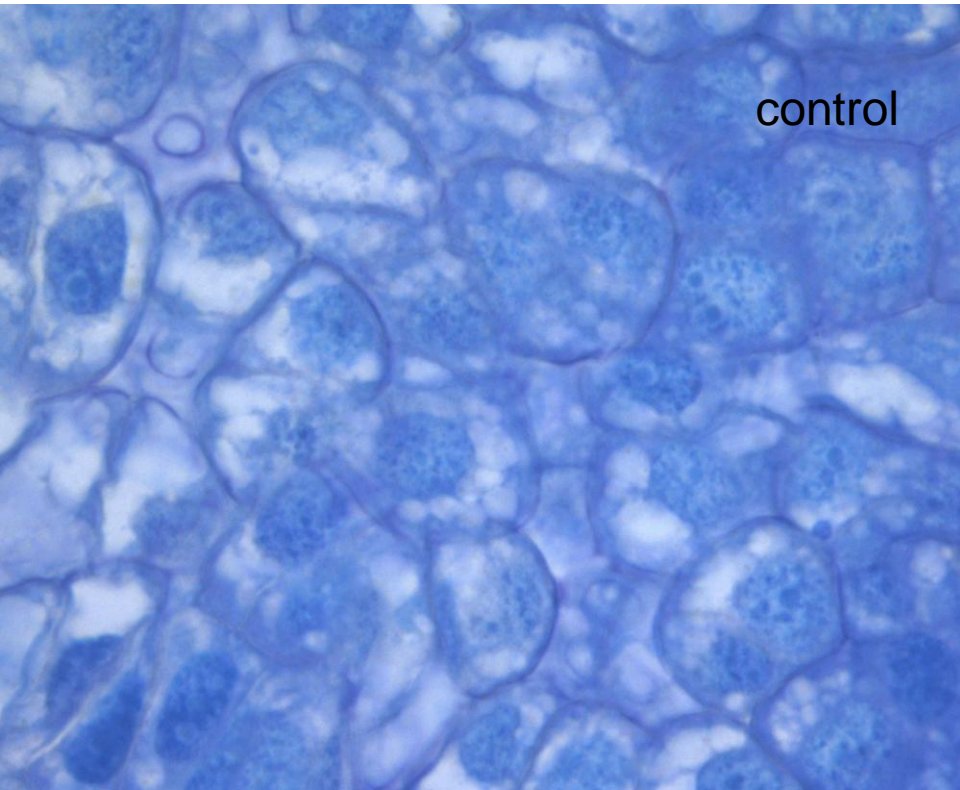
Germinated seeds(%)		
Tratament	(-) Paclobutrazol	(+) Paclobutrazol
Control	51,49±2 e	41,07±0 d
3 µM	38,78±2 b	17,78±2 f
30 µM	45,20±2 c	10,88±2 gh
60 µM	45,65±0 a	23,08±0 h

Effect of GA3 on sucrose content of sugarcane seedlings



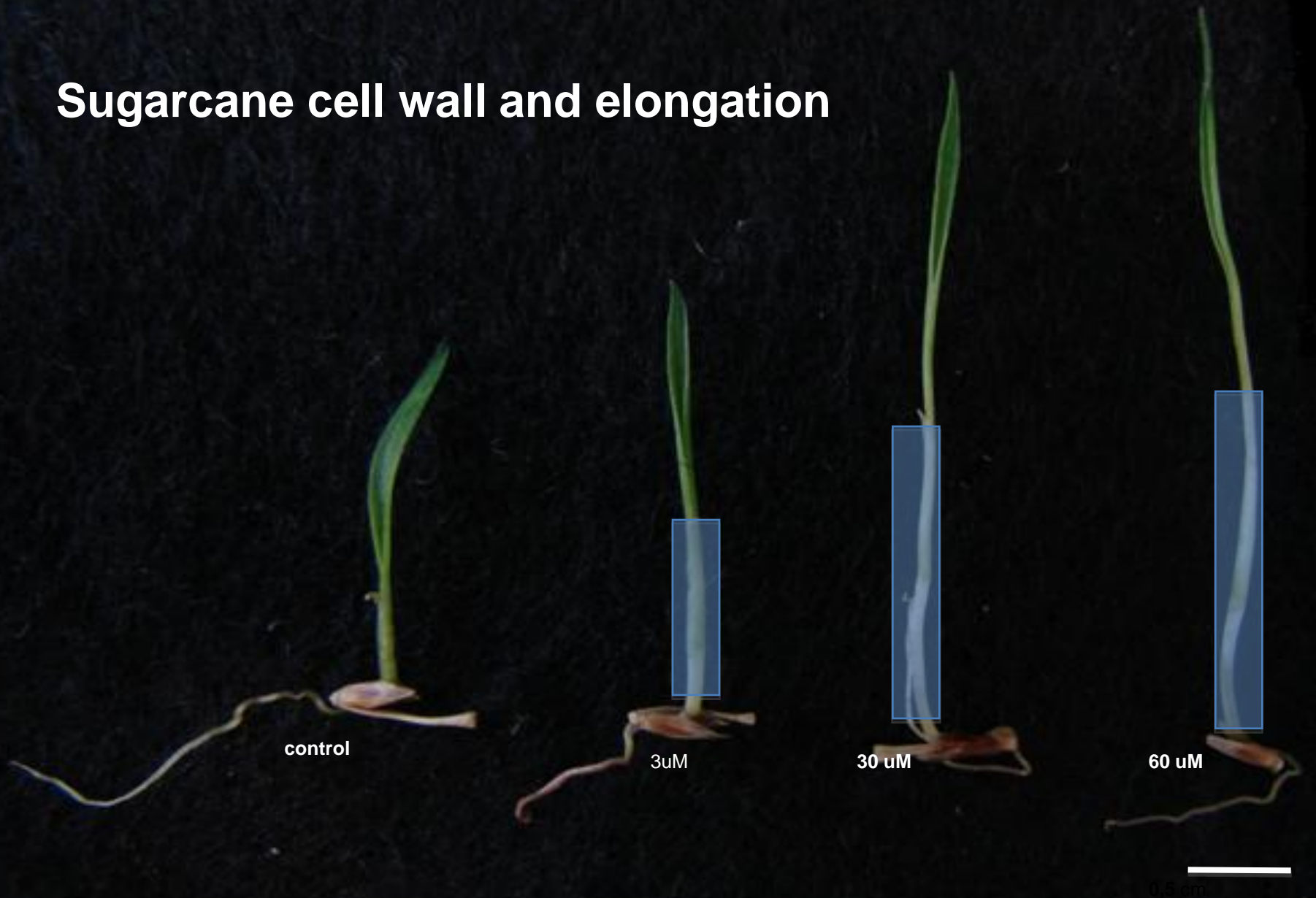
Biomass incorporation in sugarcane plants over time of the presence of gibberellic acid (3 μ M)

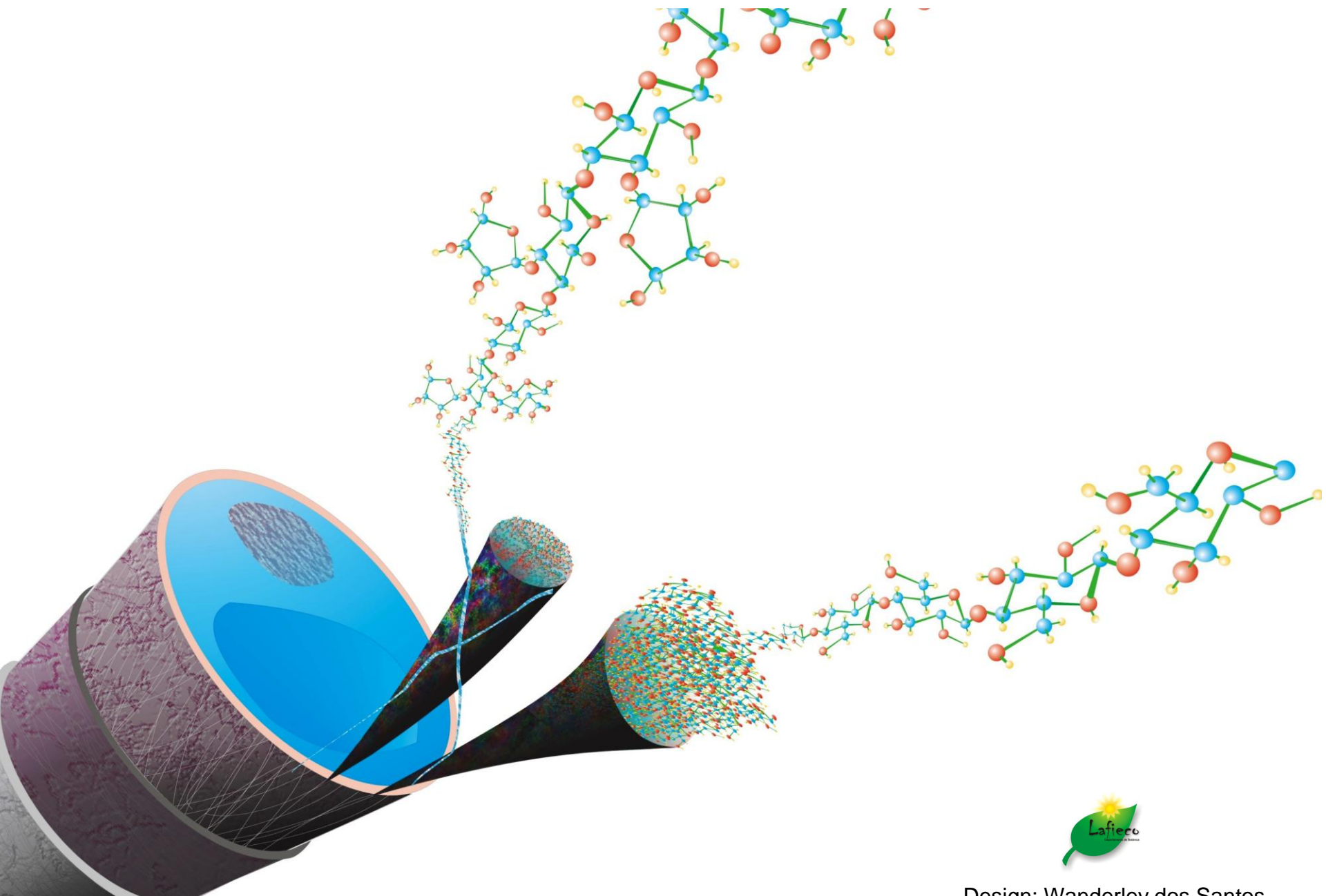




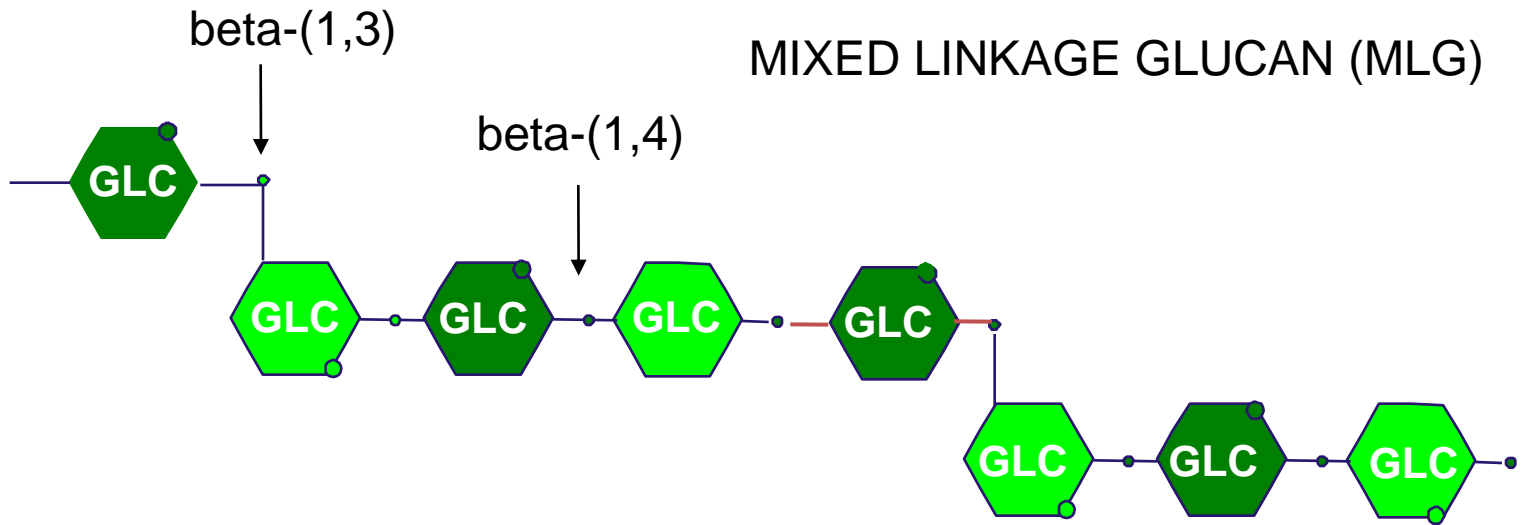
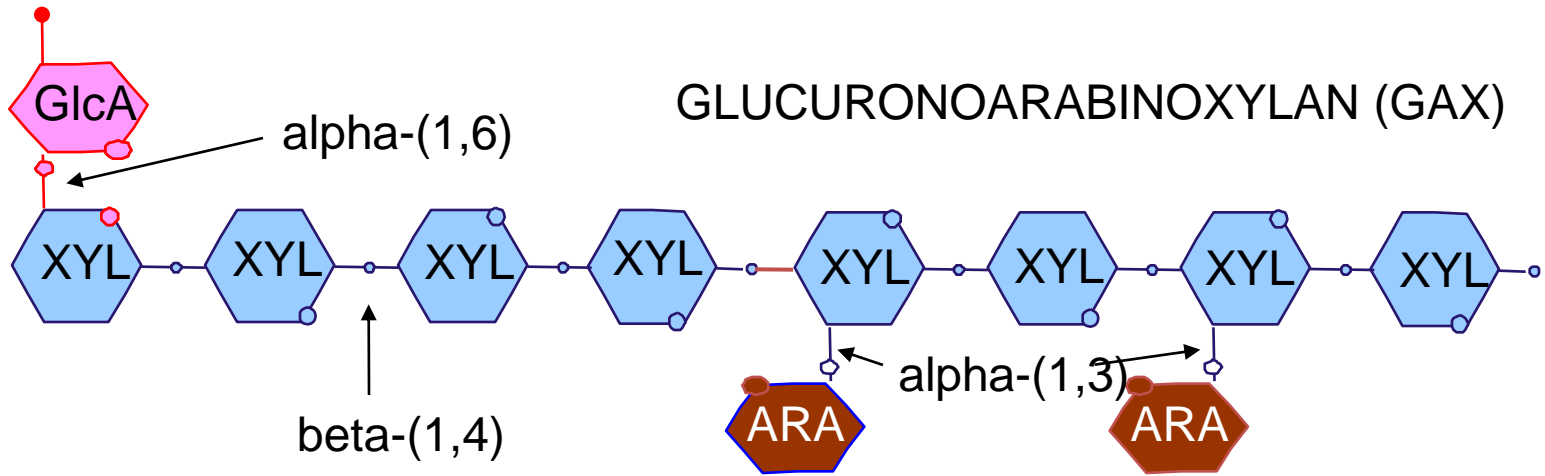
Vacuoles in meristematic cells of sugarcane seedlings 6 days old

Sugarcane cell wall and elongation





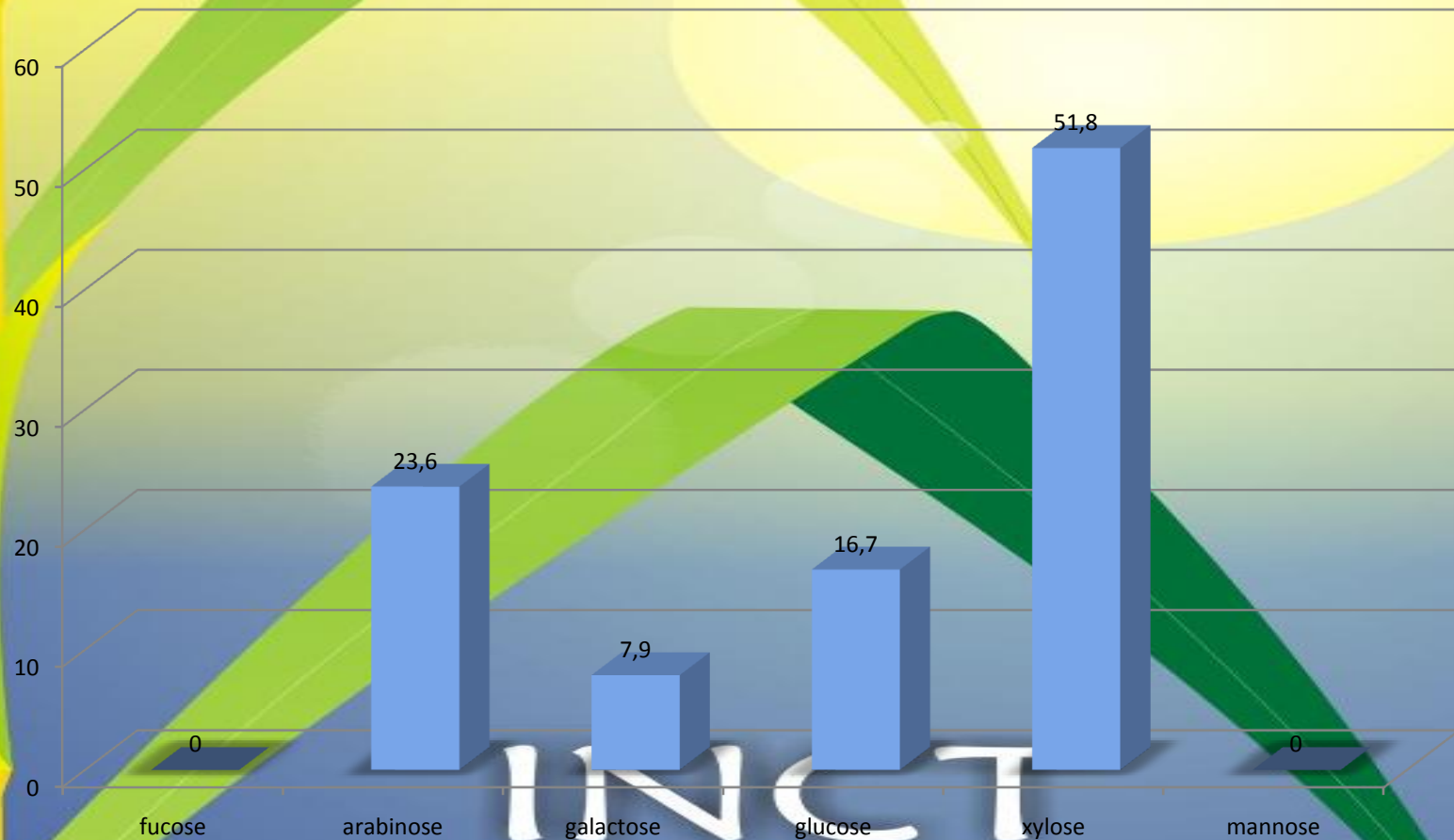
Design: Wanderley dos Santos



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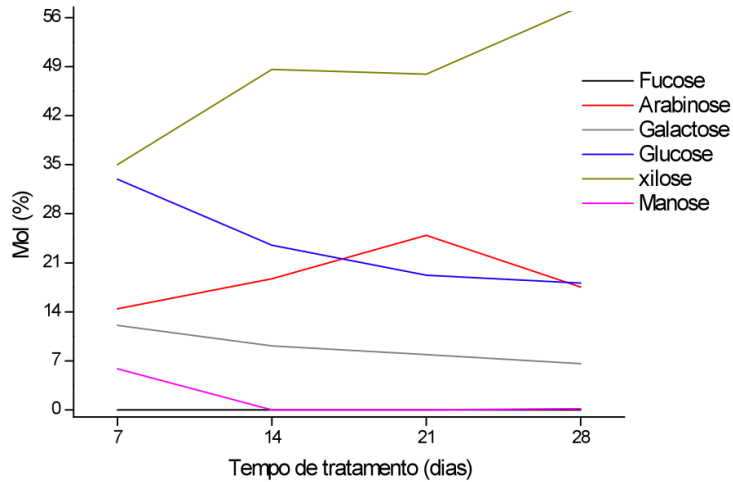
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Sugar composition of sugarcane seedlings

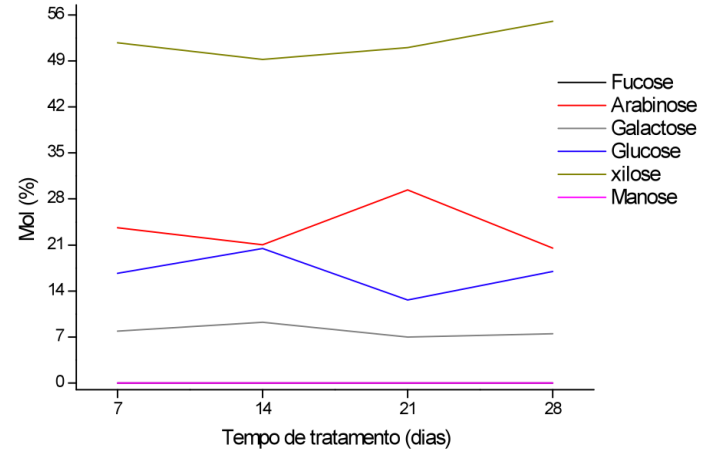


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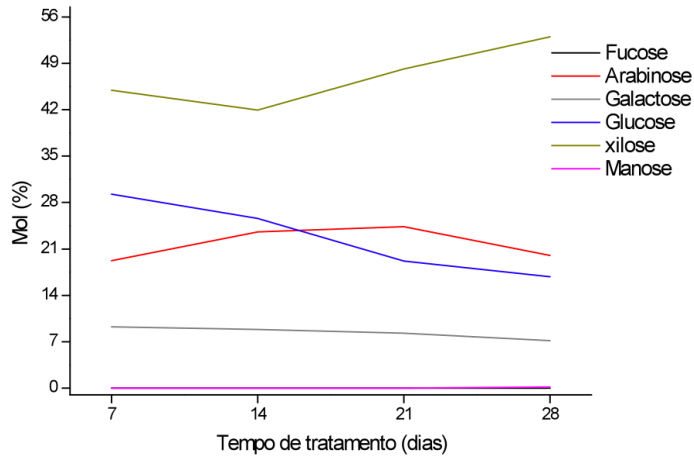
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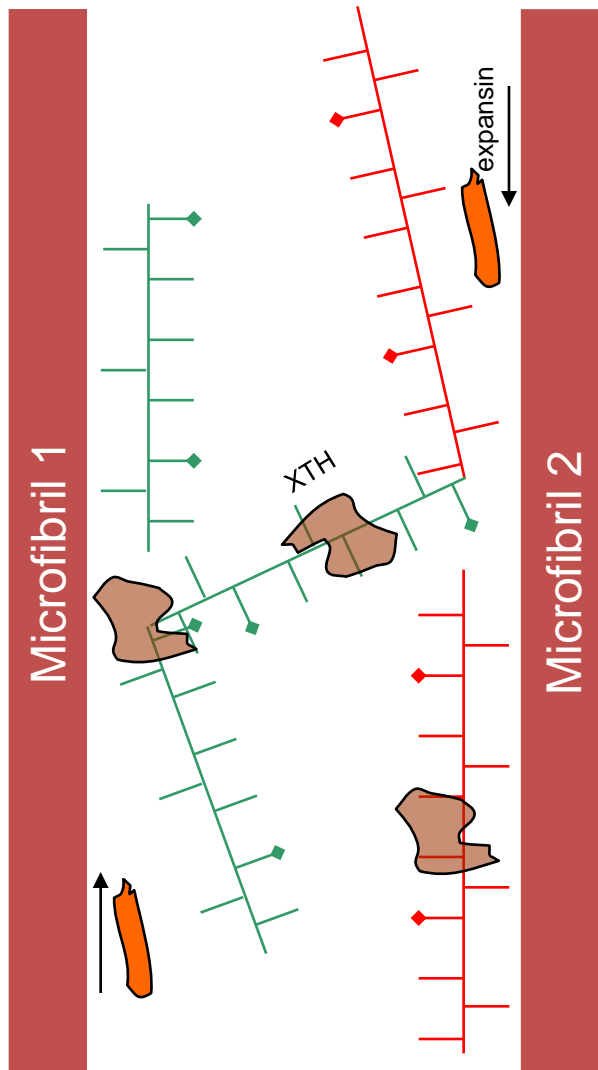
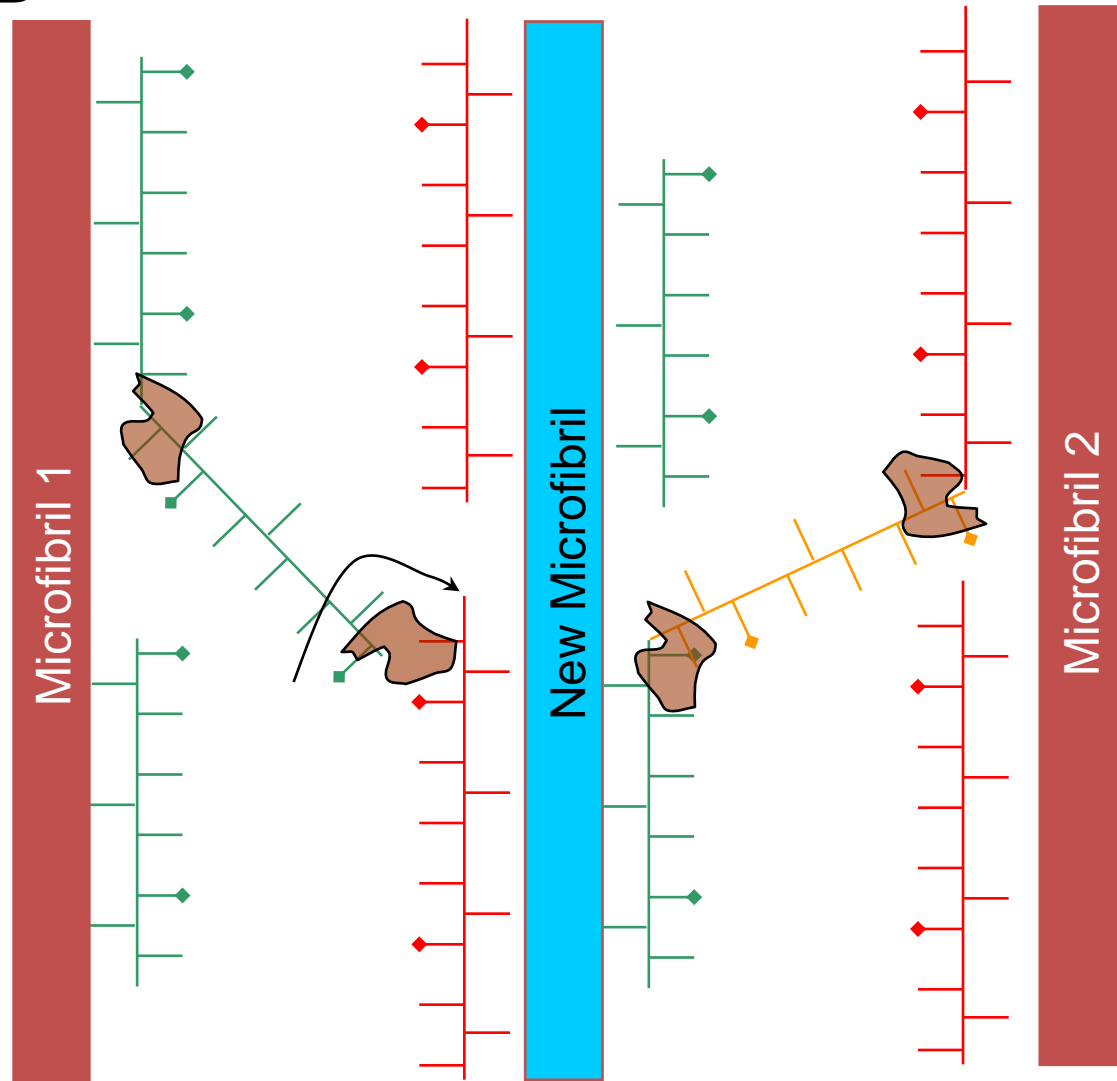
PACLOBUTRAZOL



GA 3

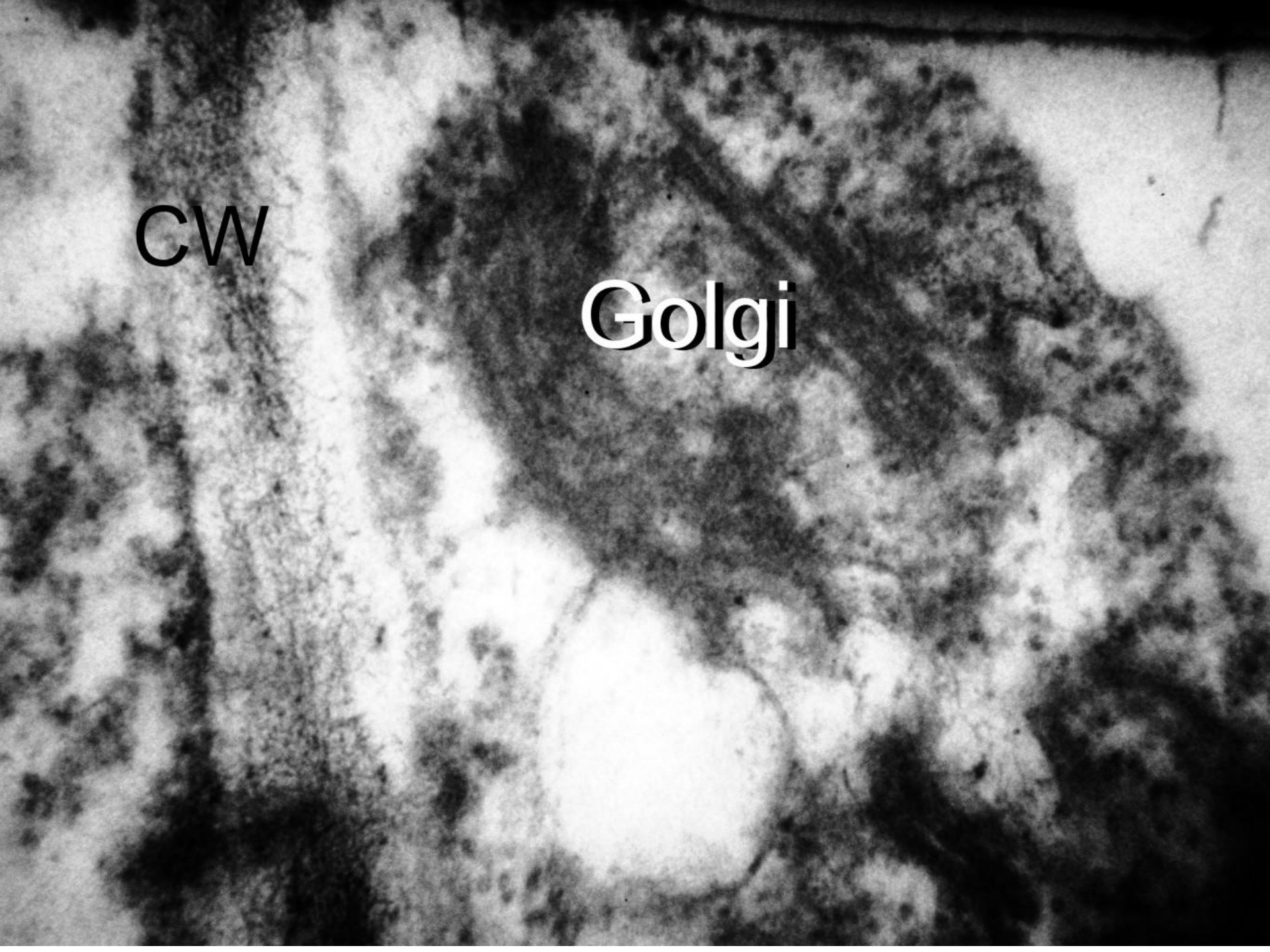


Changes in cell wall composition during Growth of sugarcane seedlings

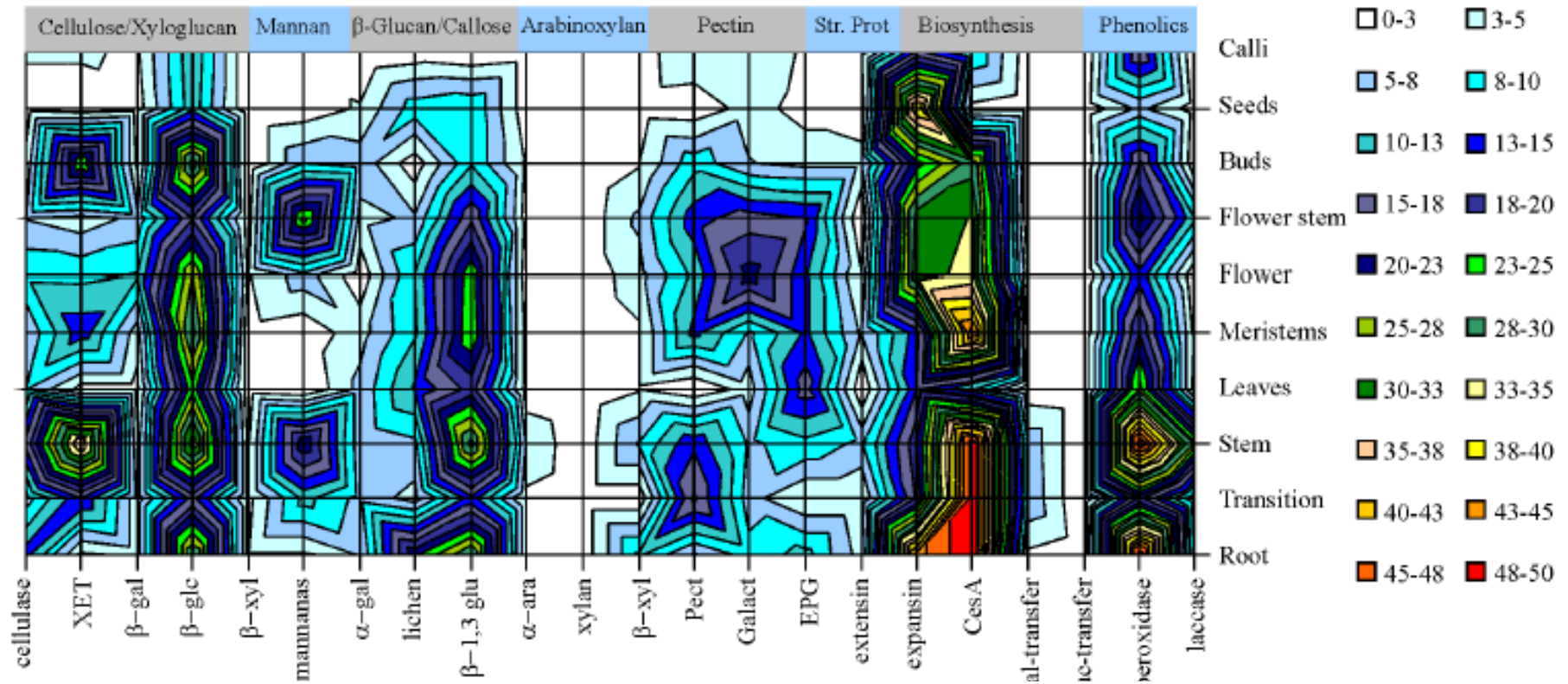
A**ATTACKS OF XTH AND EXPANSIN****B****RELINK OF XYG BY XTH AND INTUSSUCEPTION**

CW

Golgi



From 1999 to 2001, the SUCEST genome program produced 238,000 ESTs from various tissues of the sugar cane plant.



Since then we found:

- 1) 469 cell wall related genes in different cane tissues
(Lima et al. 2001, GMB)
- 1) Determined the chemical composition and structure of the cell wall polymers of different sugarcane tissues

Hormone biosynthesis

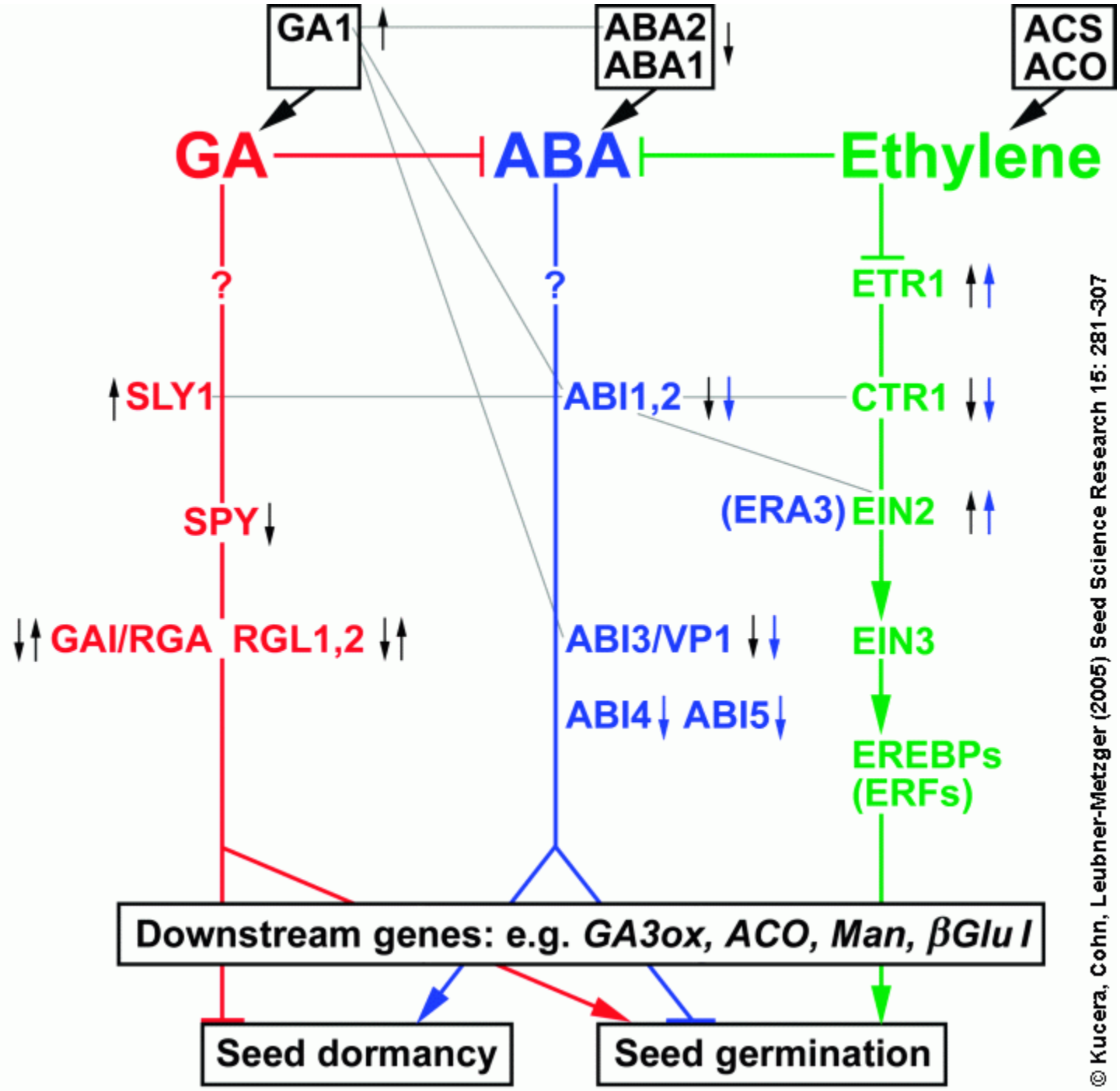
Hormone receptors

Signal integration, Signalling network

Transcription factor network

Downstream genes

Hormone responses



CONCLUSIONS

- 1) GA increases sucrose
- 2) GA induces changes in the wall (expansion?)
- 3) Seedling is a good model to study Carb Metabolism
- 4) Maybe a way to target cell division
- 5) May be a way to target cell wall biosynthesis
- 6) How can we connect this to other hormones?
- 7) Seedlings could be a good model for systems approach

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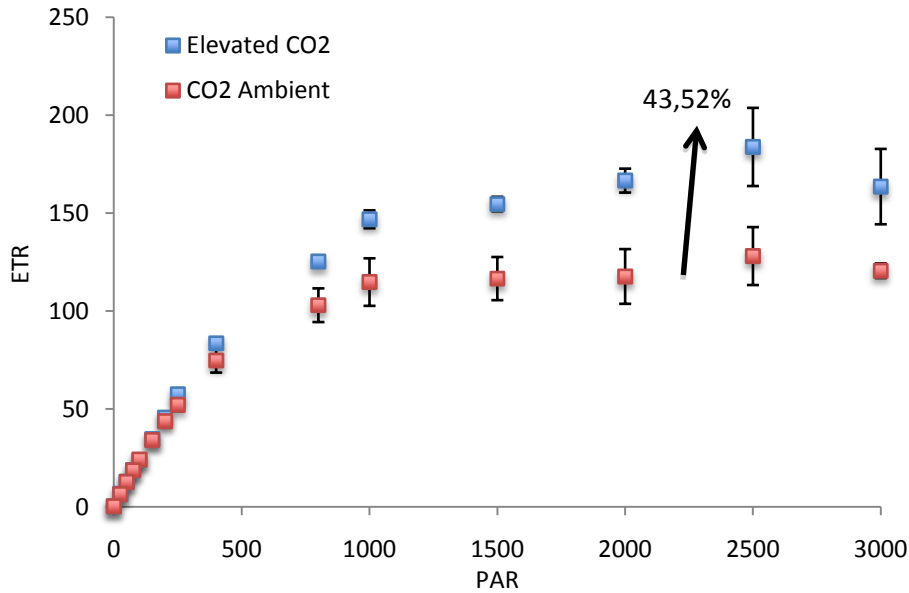
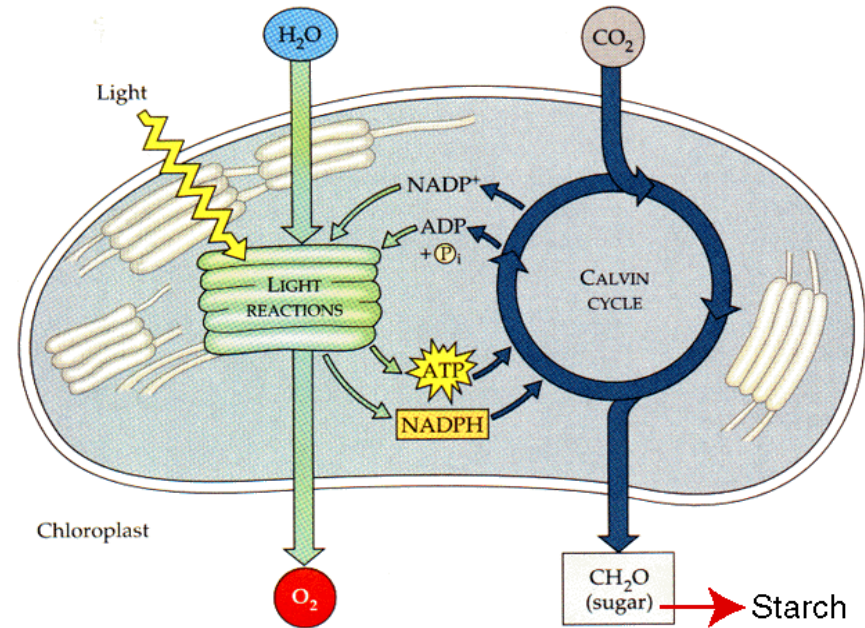
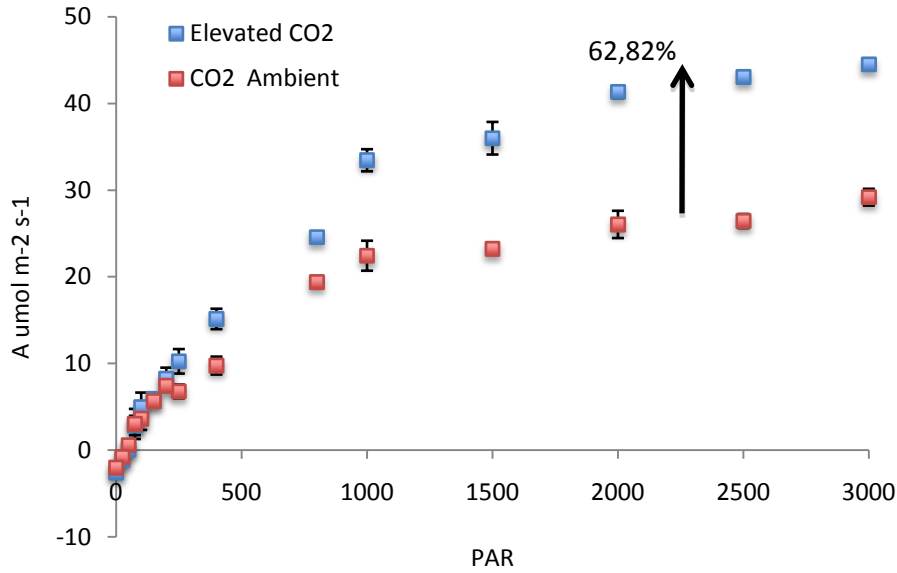
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CO₂ assimilation and electron transport rate of sugarcane under elevated CO₂

LIGHT REACTIONS

CALVIN CYCLE

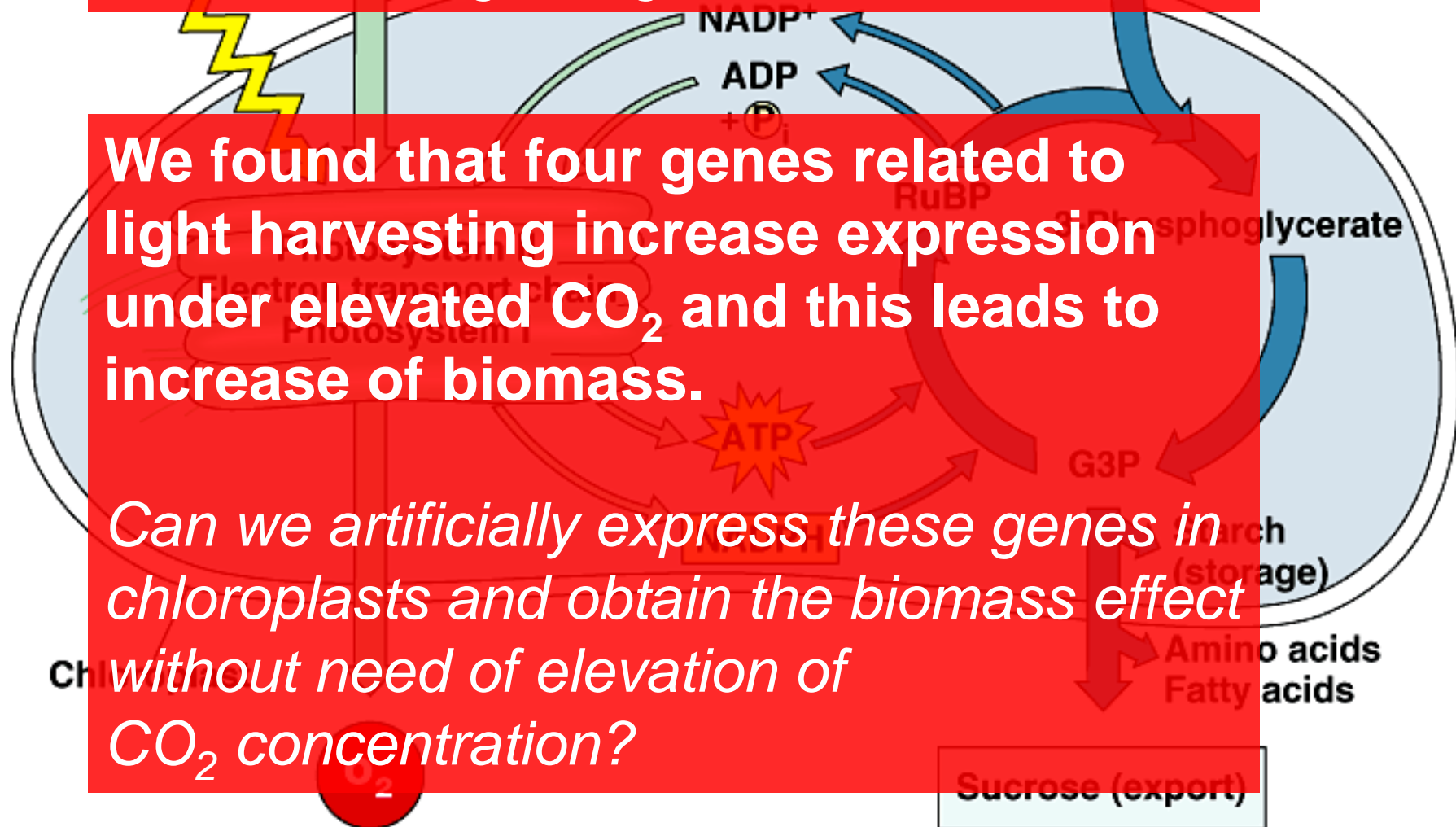
CO₂ accelerates light harvesting:

how?

What is the signaling mechanism?

We found that four genes related to light harvesting increase expression under elevated CO₂ and this leads to increase of biomass.

Can we artificially express these genes in chloroplasts and obtain the biomass effect without need of elevation of CO₂ concentration?



% of shoots in the seedlings of sugarcane

Days	Control	Cont + PCZ	PCZ	3 μ M GA	GA
7	61,25 \pm 0,03 c	28,75 \pm 0,07 d	-54	83,33 \pm 0,17 b	+36
14	60,78 \pm 0,07 c	33,33 \pm 0,17 d	-45	87,84 \pm 0,17 b	+44
21	50,17 \pm 0,17 c	40 \pm 0,02 d	-20	82,22 \pm 0,44 b	+64
28	53,97 \pm 0,09 b	40 \pm 0,02 c	-26	83,93 \pm 0,6 a	+55