

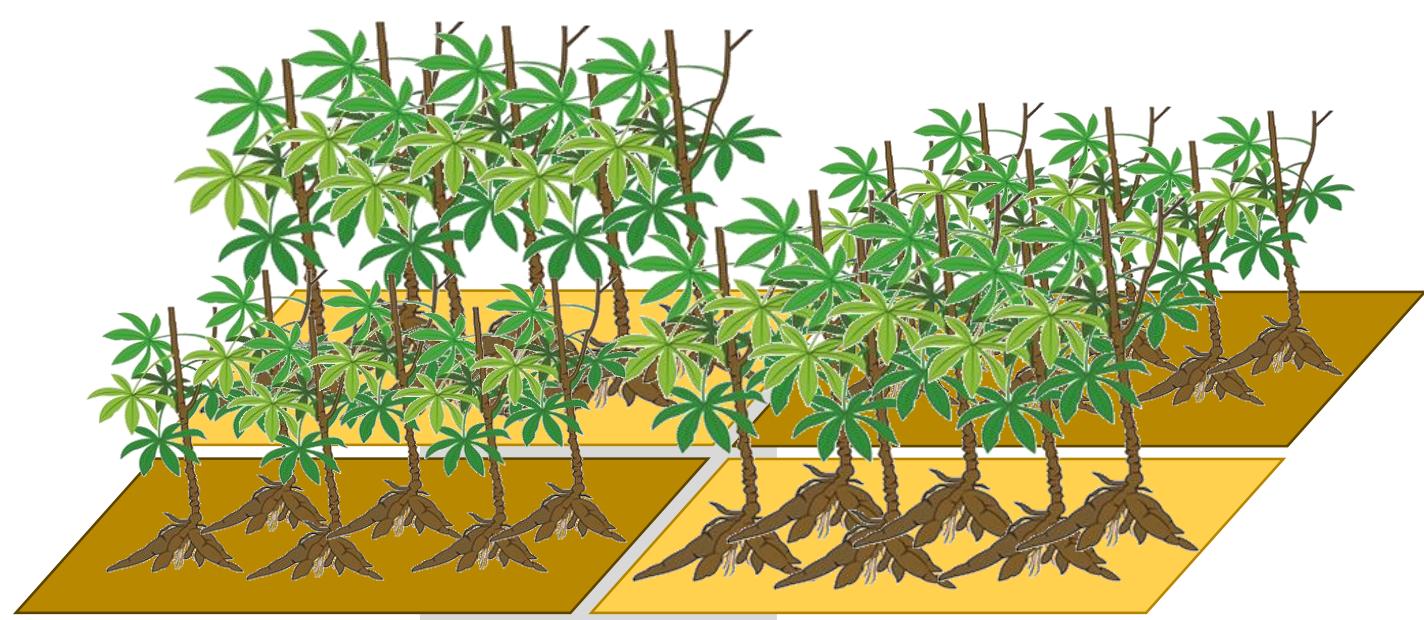
Developing decision support tools to scale agronomic technologies for cassava



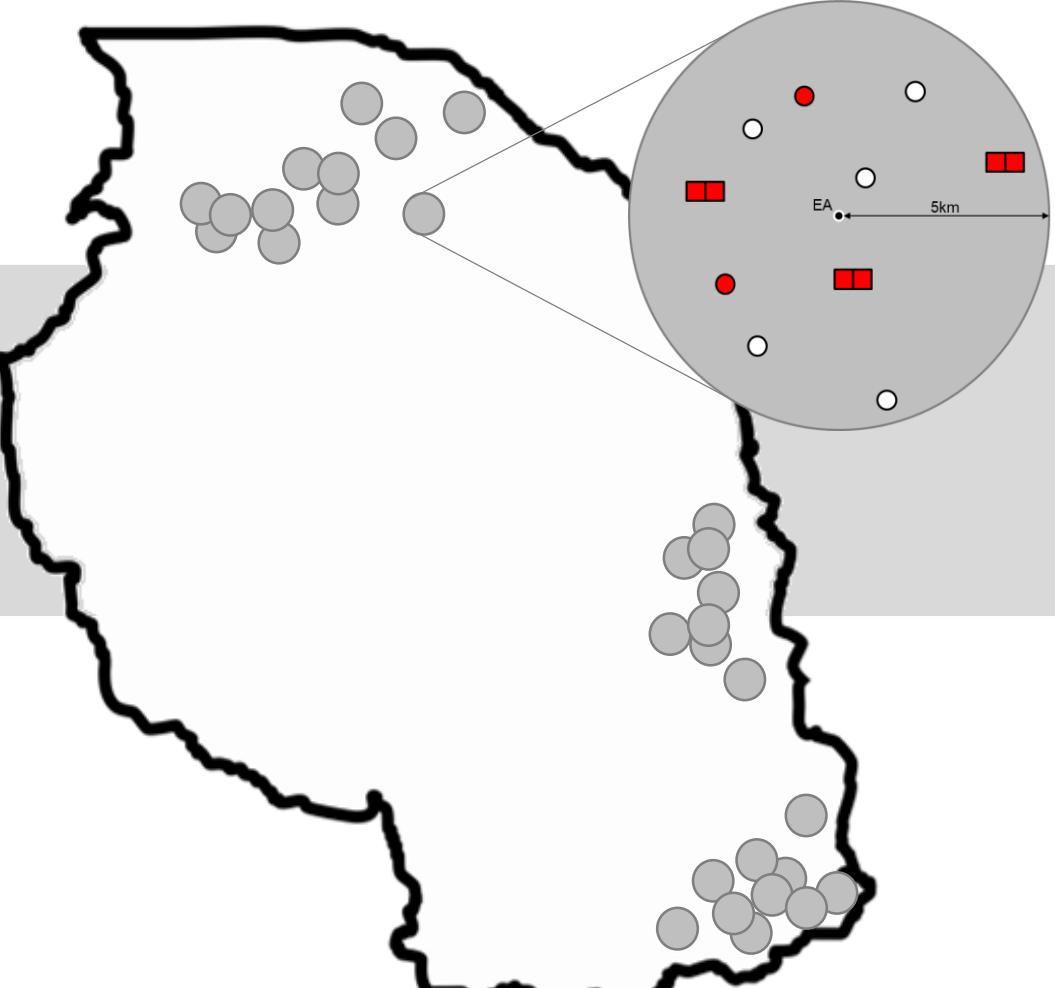
Use case identification with development partners



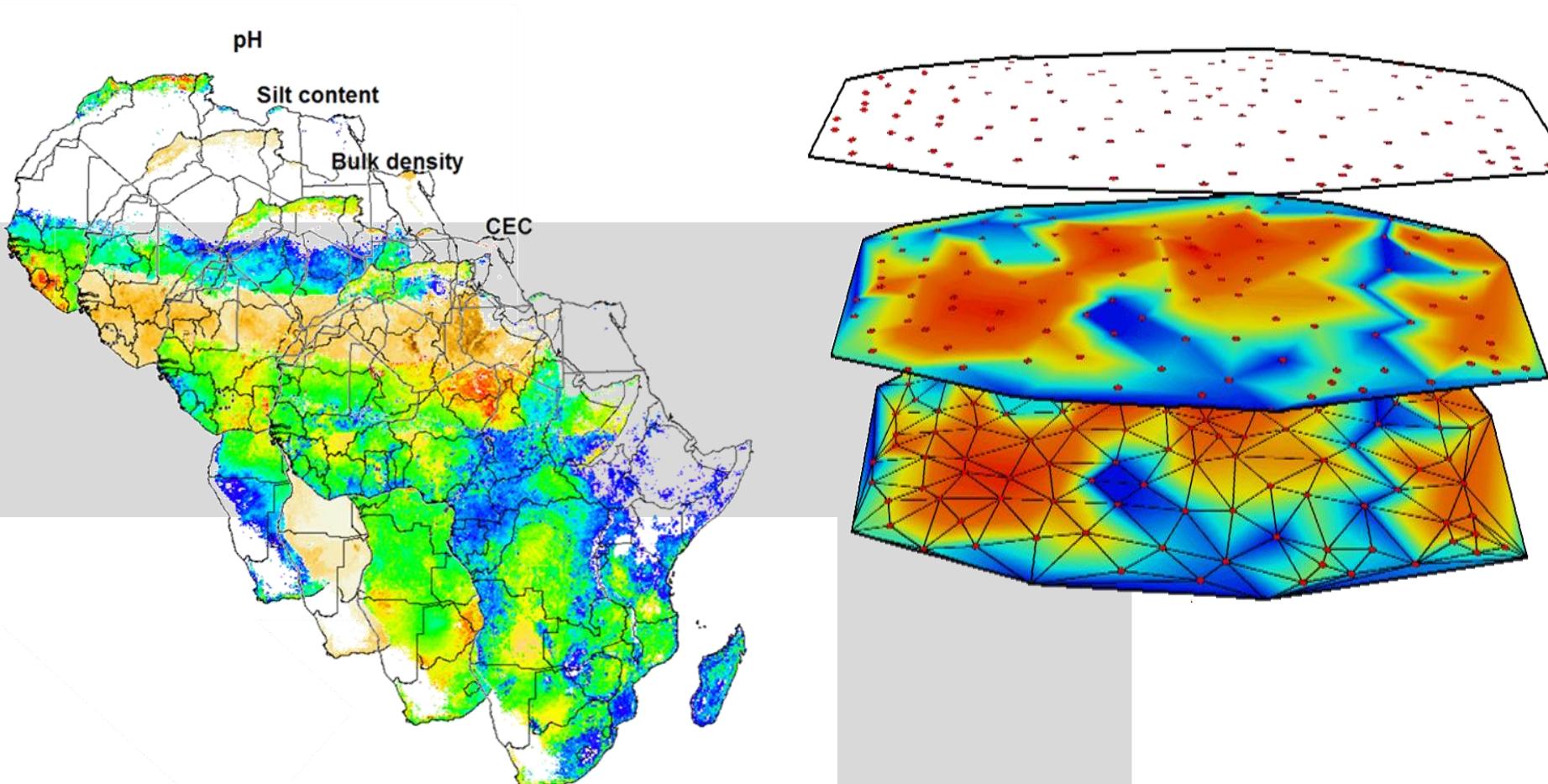
Field trials to test and develop best agronomic interventions



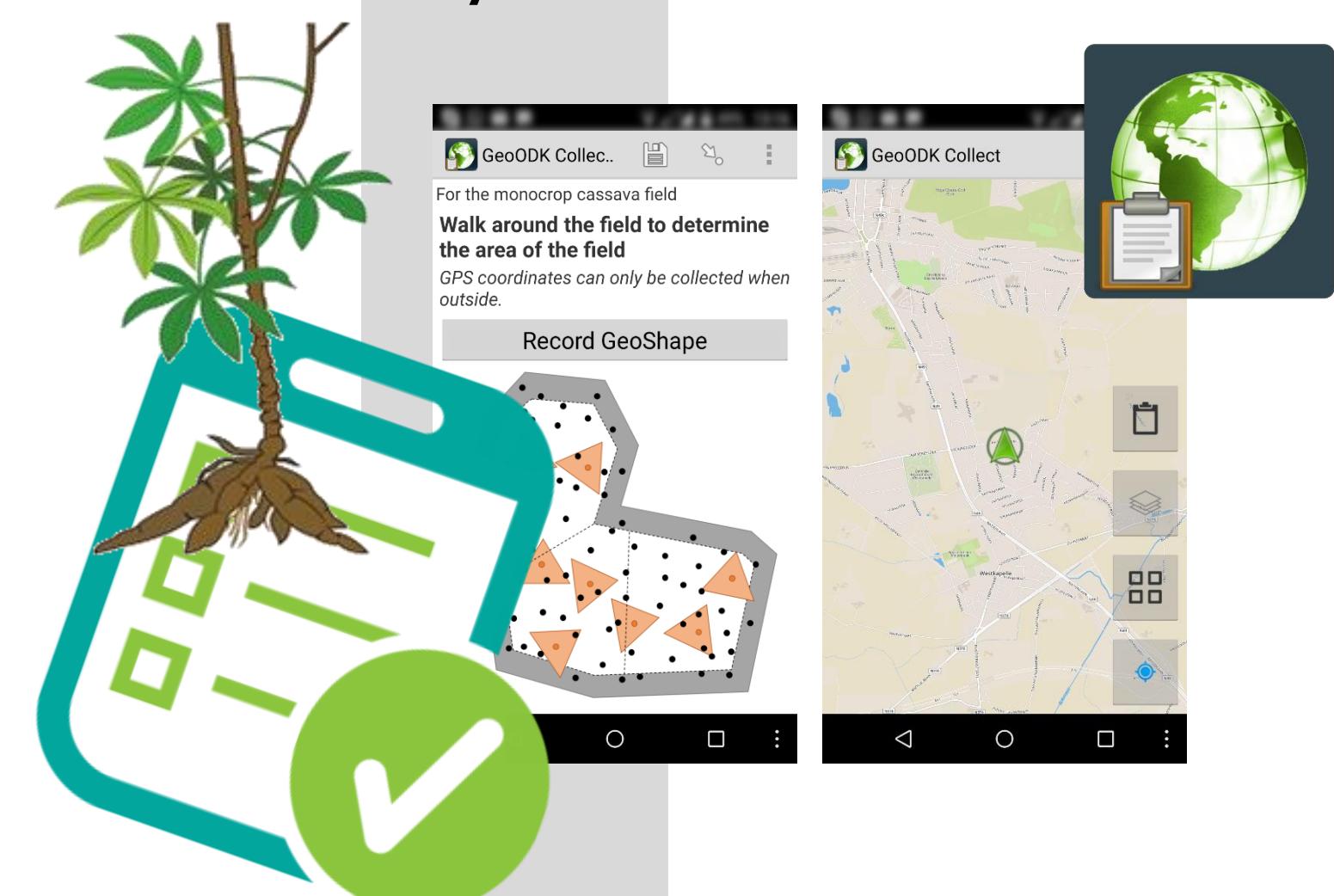
Sampling frames



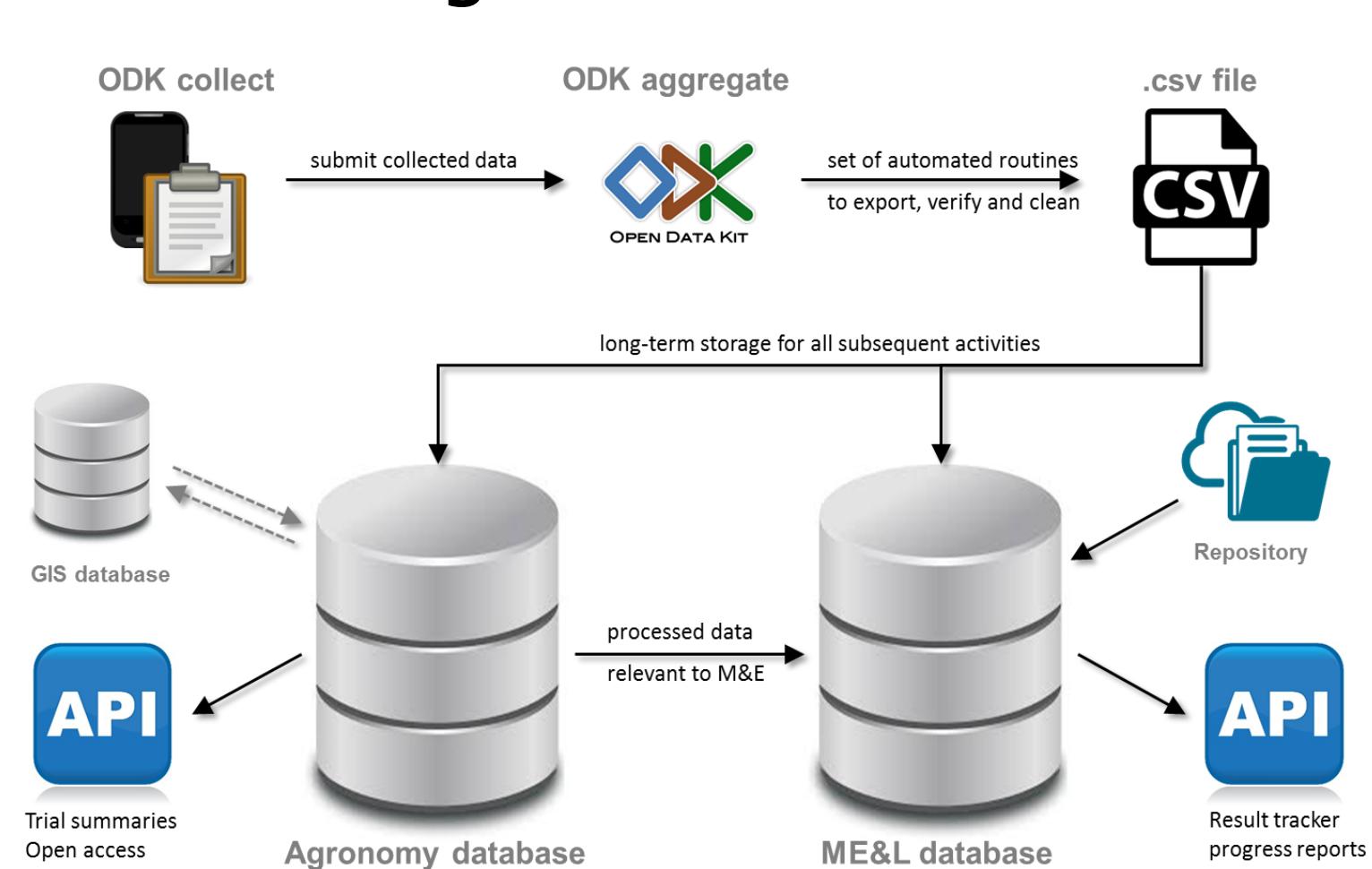
GIS and geospatial modelling



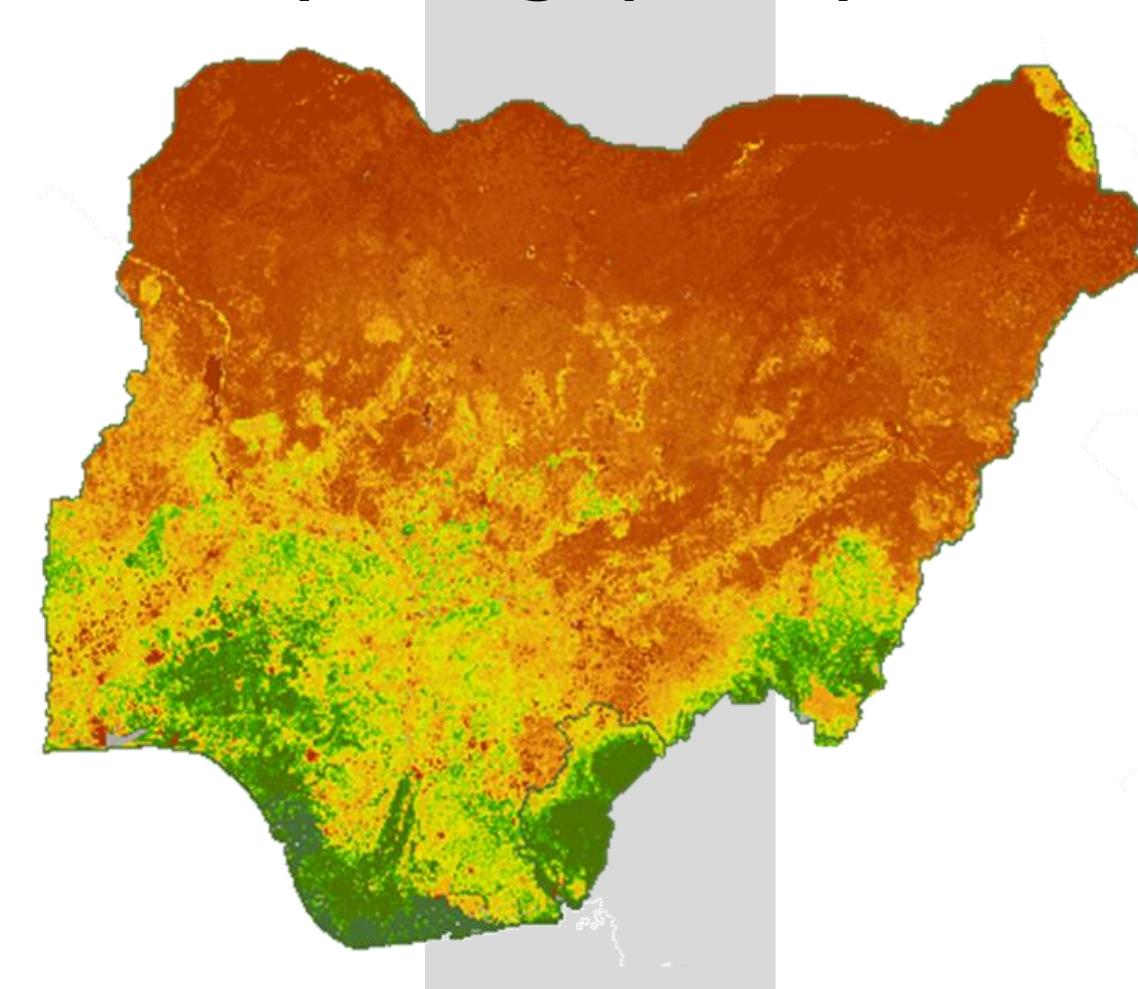
Field surveys and characterisation



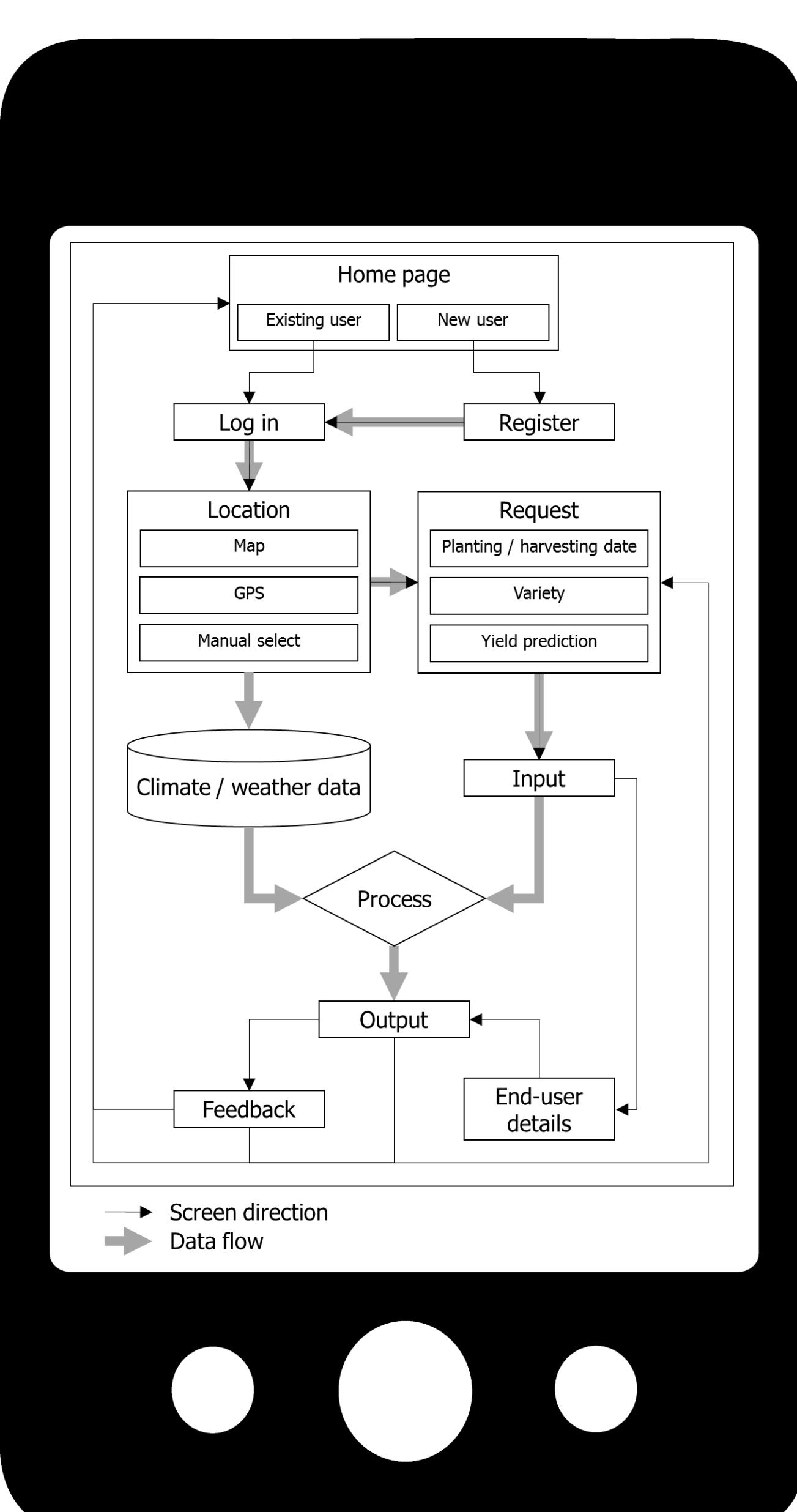
Data management infrastructure



Recommendation domains and yield gap maps



Decision support tool development (V0, V1, .. VF)



Validation activities

African Cassava Agronomy Initiative

« Validation of Site-specific Fertilizer Recommendations » (VAL-1)

PACKAGE CONTENTS

- Planting material of improved variety (3 x 56 cuttings + ~15-20 spare cuttings for gapping by transplanting)
- Labels to indicate treatments (blue = control, red = standard recommendation, yellow = site-specific recommendation)
- Fertilizer, various bags of TSP, urea and MoP, labelled as red or yellow will be provided shortly before the time of application.
- Ropes with knots to aid in establishing plots with correct dimensions and spacing. This information flyer, and a field book for monitoring and data collection.

DESIGN OF THE FIELD

Treatment	Variety	Fertilizer
Plot 1: Control	Micrombozi (LZ) or Kiroba (E2 and SZ)	None
Plot 2: Standard recommendation	Micrombozi (LZ) or Kiroba (E2 and SZ)	75 kg N, 20 kg P, 90 kg K per ha
Plot 3: Site-specific recommendation	Micrombozi (LZ) or Kiroba	Dependent on local climate and soil conditions

PLOT 1: Control PLOT 2: Standard recommendation PLOT 3: Site-specific recommendation

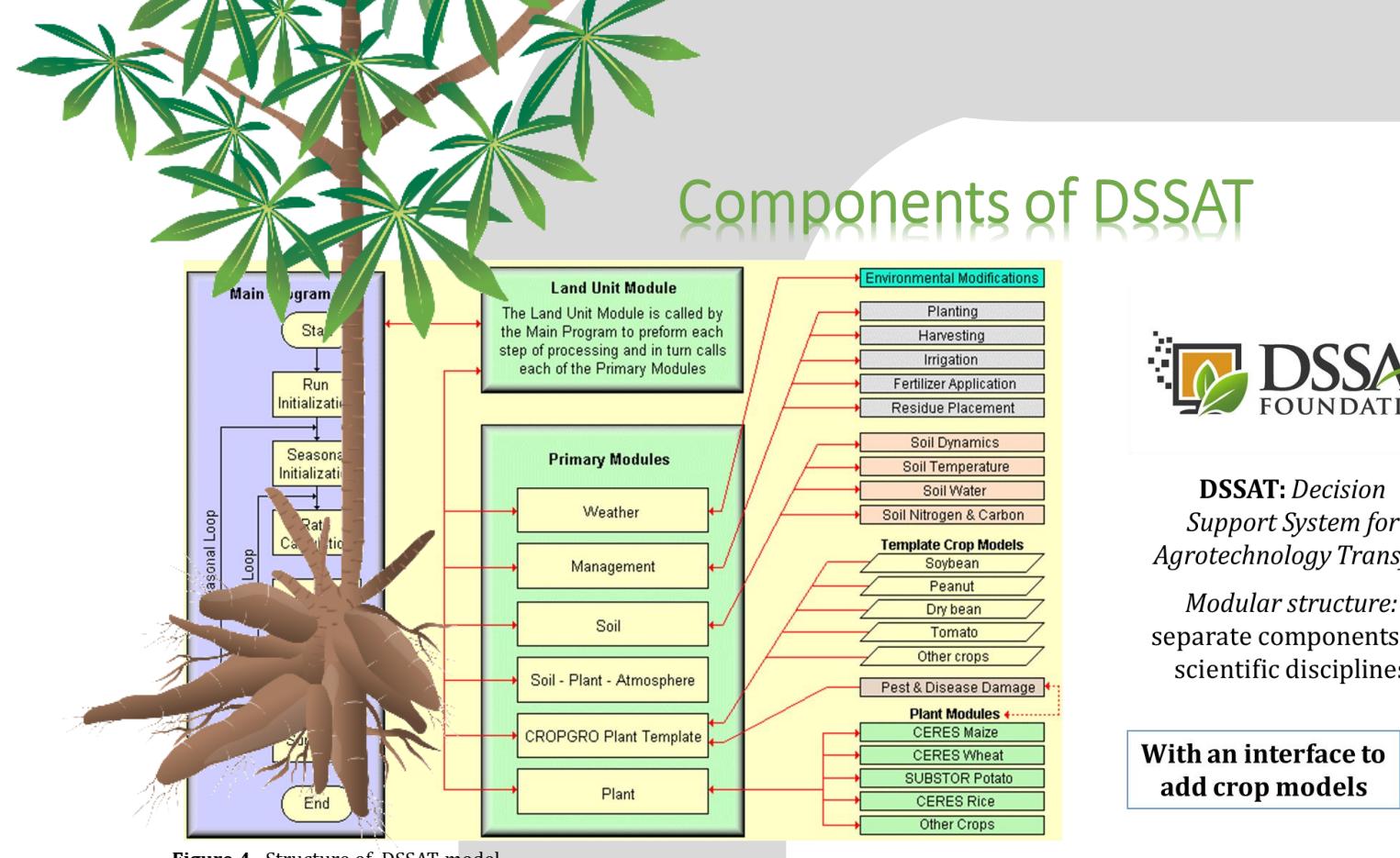
Cassava will be planted at 1 x 1 m, in 3 plots of 7 x 8m.

The participant farmer is free to decide how to prepare the land (ridged / flat), following his/her preferred practice.

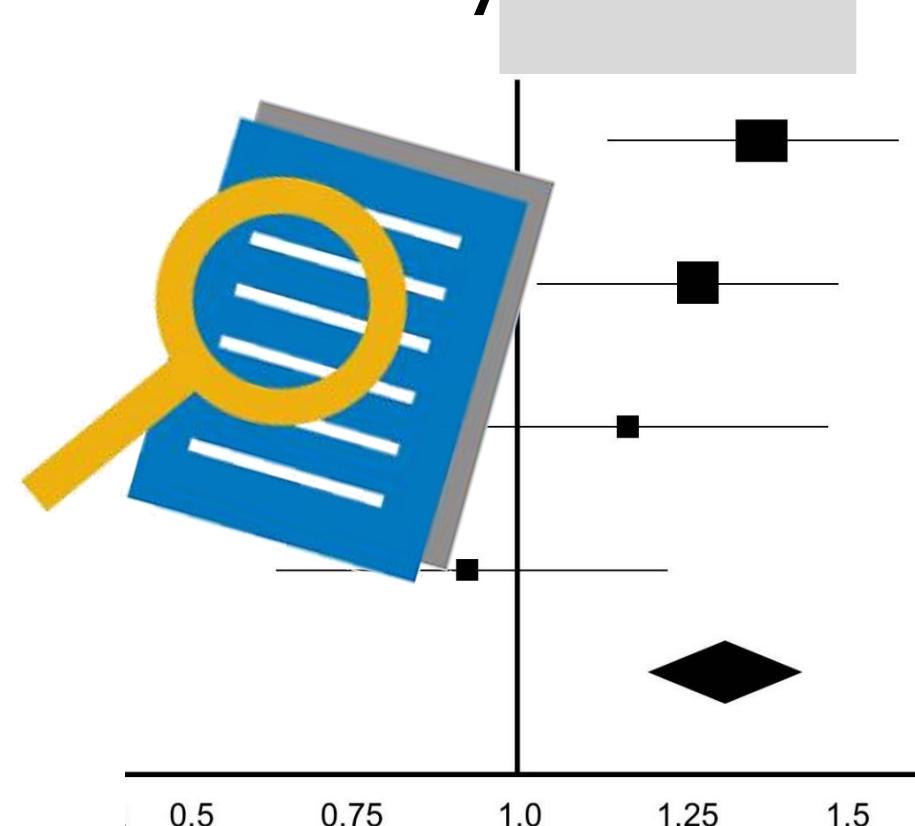
CHOICE OF THE FIELD

- A field of 8 by 21 m is needed that can contain all 3 plots next to each other.
- The field should have a homogeneous cultivation history and soil fertility.
- The field should not contain trees within the plots, or have large trees casting shade onto the plots, and the field should be at least 3 m away from roads or paths.

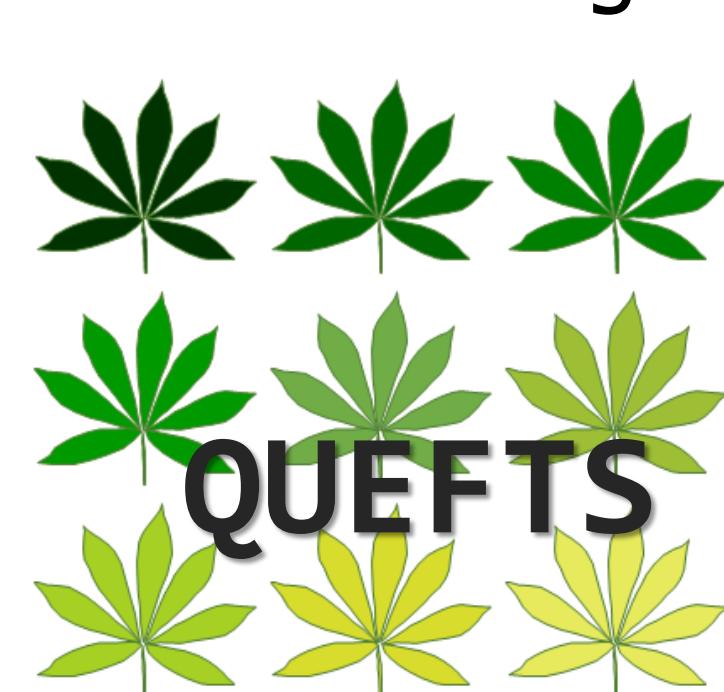
Crop modelling



Literature review and meta-analysis



Nutrient norms and modelling



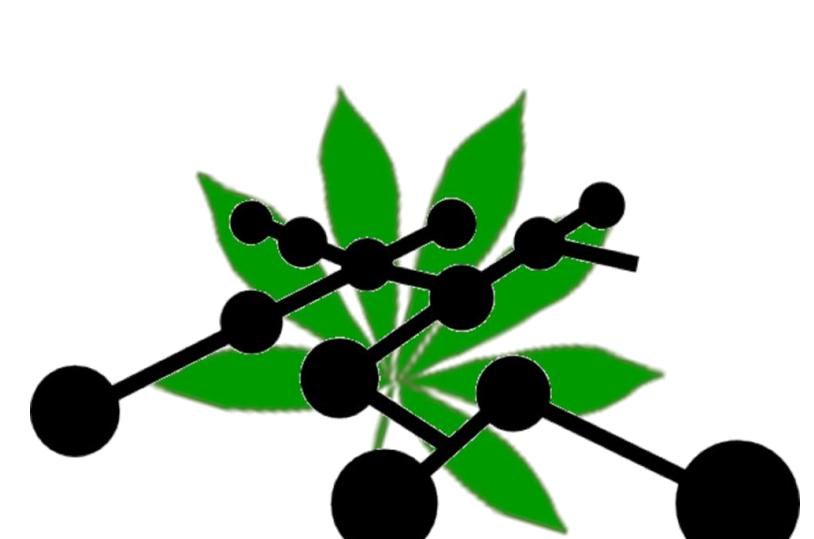
Scaling activities



Capacity development



Training videos



Cassava clusters



Promotion



Awareness campaigns



Grassroot events

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