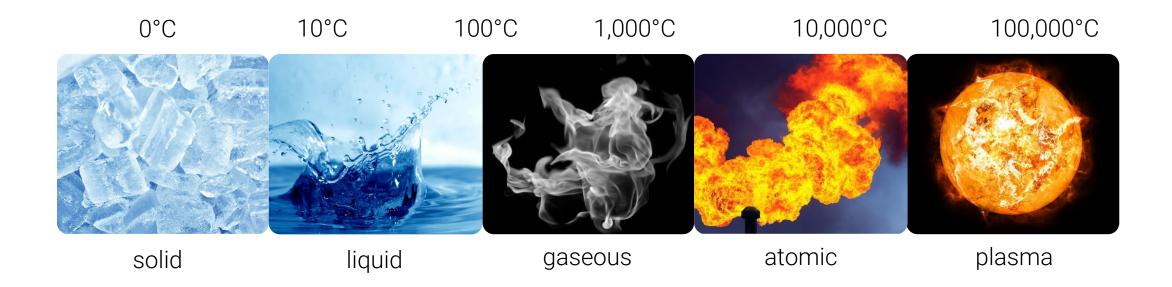


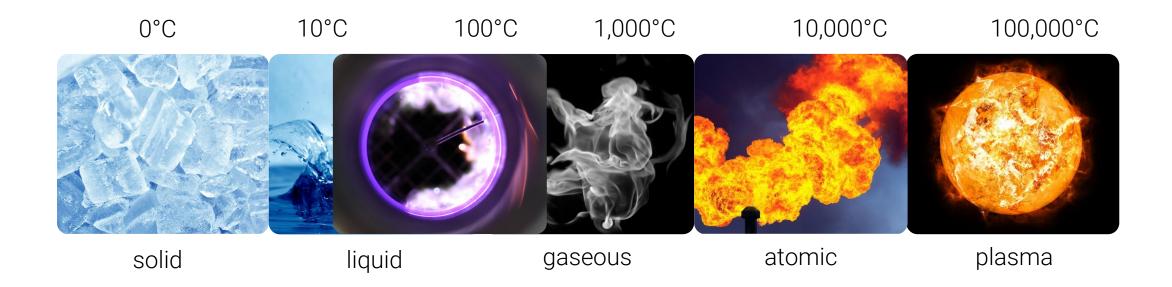


# What is plasma?



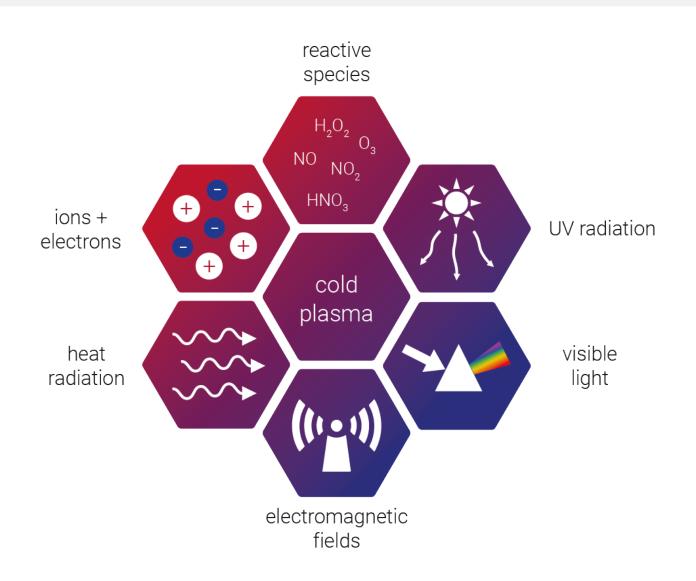


# What is cold atmospheric plasma?



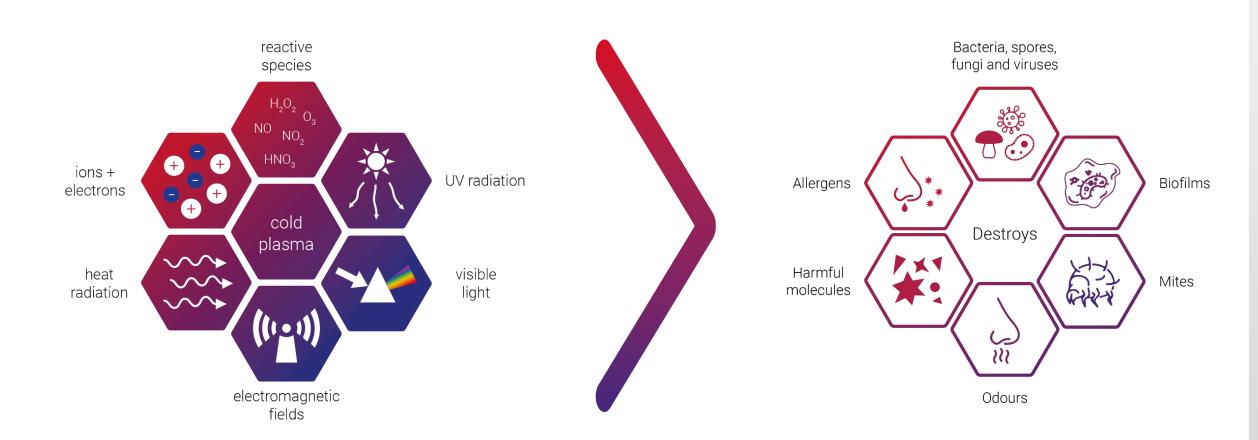


# Components in a cold atmospheric plasma





# Cold atmospheric plasma destroys...





# Our cold plasma technologies



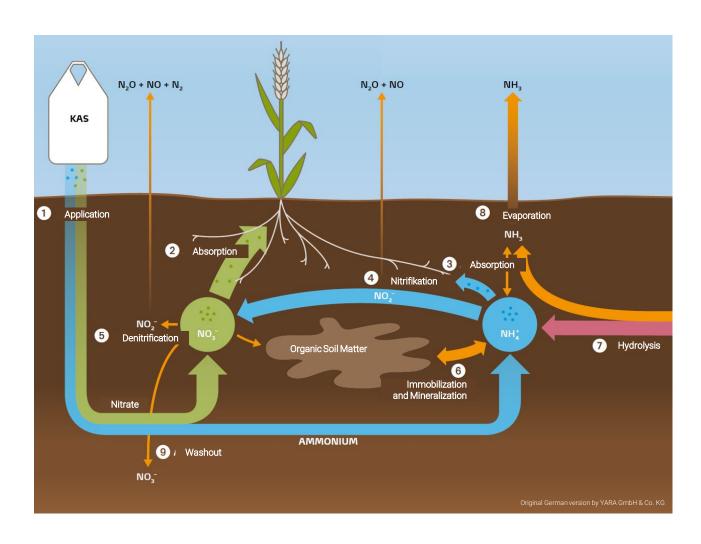


# Application fields of cold atmospheric plasma

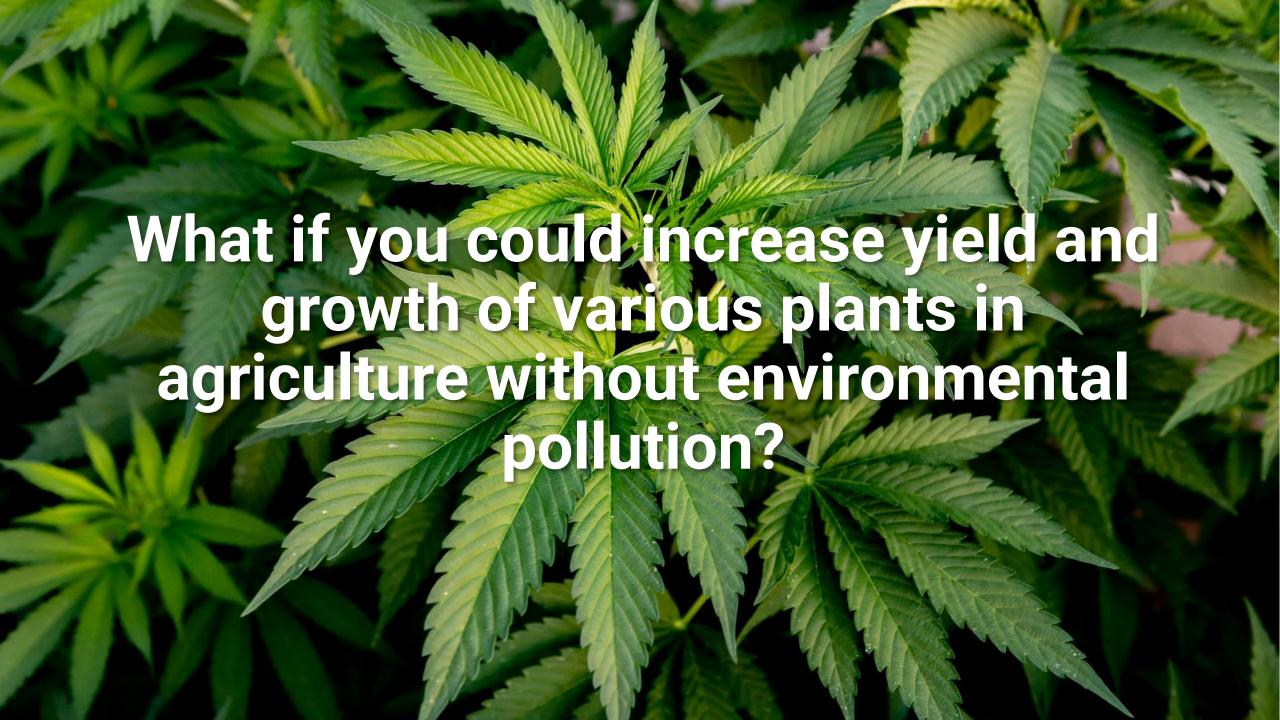




# Current fertilization technology with nitrate and ammonia



- Fertilizers are applied over the entire area **PROBLEM**:
- Only a small fraction reaches the plant
- Most of the fertilizer ends up in the ground water





Cold plasmas produce "personalized fertilizer" on the seeds



## Plasma seed treatment

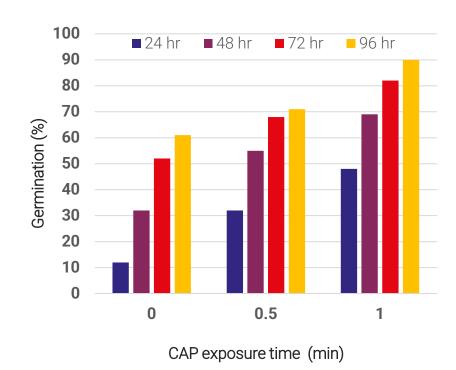
## Treatment of Cicer arietinum seeds with cold atmospheric plasma





Treatment time	Speed of germination (seed/day)	Seedling length (cm)	Seedling dry weight (mg)
Control	3.9±0.1	8.8±0.3	25±1
30s	5.5±0.1	9.5±0.5	26±3
1 min	7.1±0.1	22.3±0.5	55±2

- Cicer arietinum seeds were treated in a plasma device
- Treatment times: 30s and 1 min



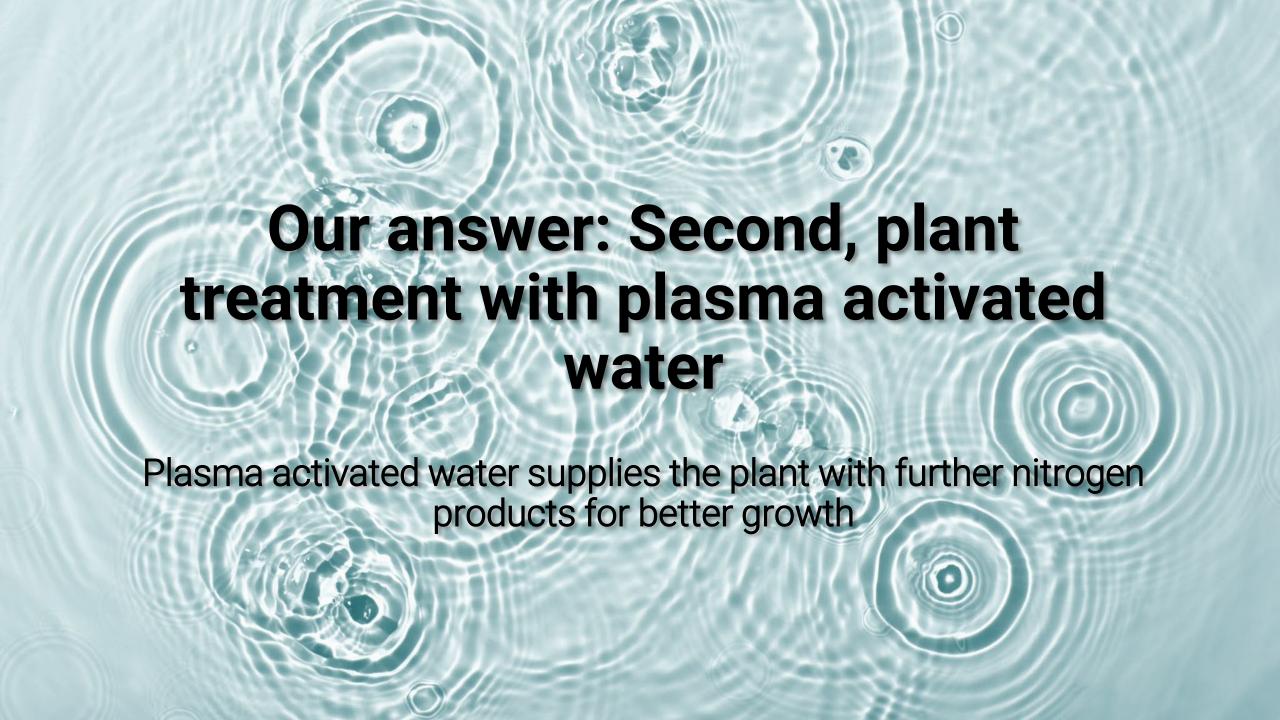
- → Increased germination
- → Increased growth

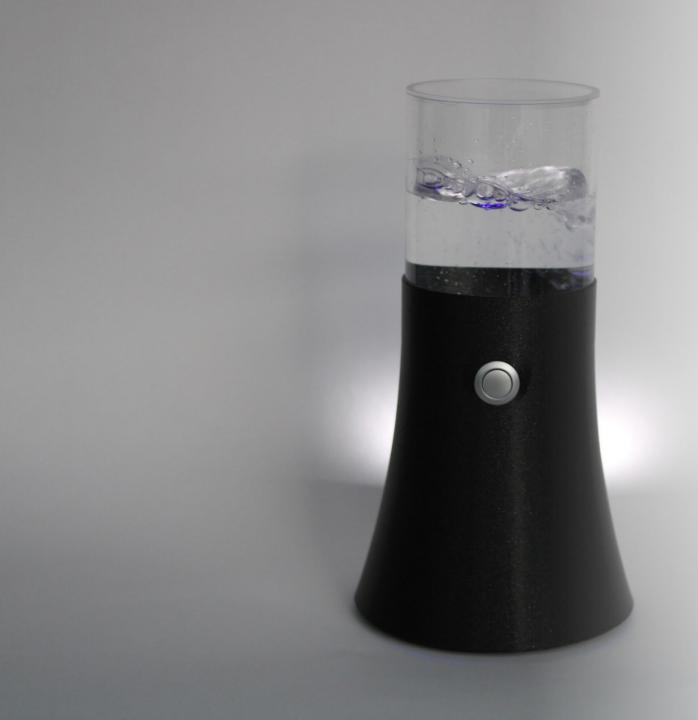


## Plasma seed treatment

Cold atmospheric plasmas produce "personalized fertilizers"

- In over 600 plasma-air reactions, a number of reactive species are generated, including  $NO_3^-$  and  $NH_4^+$ .
- These species attach to the seed and combine in part with  $H_2O$ , C, Ca to form more stable components, which then supply the important nitrogen to the seedling over time through further reactions.
- This gives each treated seed the following benefits:
  - > reduction of bacteria and fungi on the surface for better germination and yield.
  - → "Personalized nitrogen fertilizer" on each seed for stronger growth.
- → No pollution of the environment!





# Plant treatment with plasma activated water

Cold atmospheric plasma is produced in air and mixed into water

→ Plasma activated water

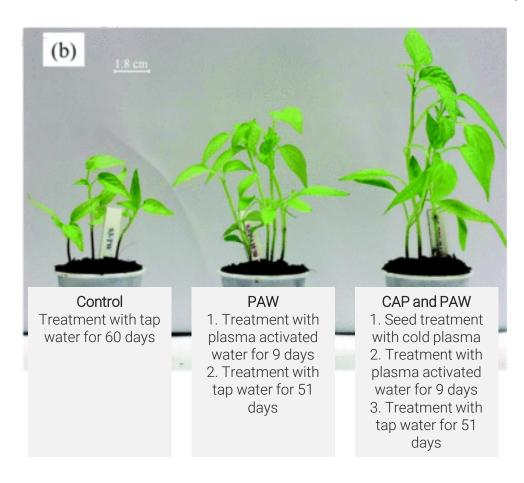
## Advantages:

- Easy to produce (only electricity, air and water needed)
- Low power requirement
- Can be designed for optimum nitrogen chemistry
- Reverts back to drinking water after a certain time period
- Sustainable



# Plant treatment with plasma activated water

## Pepper Plant



- → Plant treatment with plasma activated water improves plant growth!
- → Cold plasma seed treament in combination with the treatment with plasma activated water leads to synergistic effects and even larger plant growth!

Enhanced seed germination and plant growth by atmospheric pressure cold air plasma: combined effect of seed and water treatment

Sivachandiran L. and Khacef A. RAC Advances Issue 4, 2017



# Cold atmospheric plasmas and plasma activated water in agriculture

### Cold atmospheric plasma seed treatment:

- Reduction of microbial load on the seed
- Improves germination
- Enhances growth
- → "Personalized fertilizer" on the seeds

#### Use of plasma activated water:

- Reduction of microbial load in water (keeps pipe systems clean)
- Regulation of pH (optimum pH for plant growth 5.5. 6.5)
- Adds oxygen to the water, which improves plant health
- Increases the solubility of carbonates
- Serves as a perfect nitrogen fertilizer in the form of nitrates
- Enhances plant growth
- → No pollution of the environment!



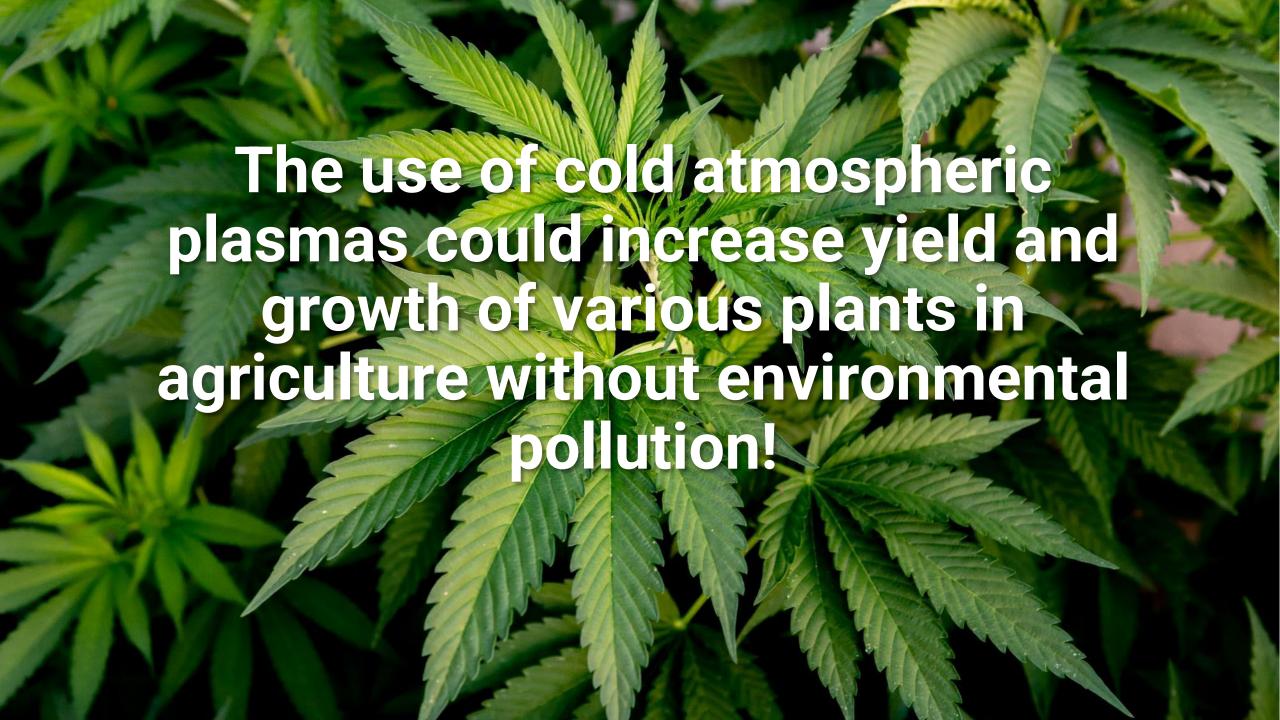


# Cold atmospheric plasmas and plasma activated water in agriculture

Plasma Agriculture Expert Review of over 70 studies

Plasma Agriculture from Laboratory to Farm: A Review Attri P., Ishikawa K., Okumura T., Koga K. and Shiratani M. Processes 2020, 8 (8), 1002

"All the above studies showed that plasma treatment and PTW (Plasma Treated Water) treatment had a positive effect on seeds; it improves the germination percentage, seedling growth, and yield."





# Our own patents and patent applications & patent license agreements

#### Plasma device

Owned by: terraplasma & BSH

Priority date: 18.05.2020

Patent application: 102020206222.6

#### Plasma device

Owned by: terraplasma

Priority date: 19.11.2019

Patent application: EP19210075.8

Electrode arrangement and plasma source for generating a non-thermal plasma, as well as method for operating a plasma source

Owned by: terraplasma

Priority date: 25.01.2019

Patent applications: PCT/EP2019/051851

Method for testing and / or monitoring an electrode arrangement for generating a non-thermal plasma

Owned by: terraplasma

Priority date: 15.06.2018

Patent applications: DE 10 2018 209 729.1, PCT/EP2019/065582

Magnetically Organised Plasma Sheet

Plasma device for the treatment of body surfaces

Owned by: terraplasma & terraplasma medical

Priority date: 15.06.2018

Patent applications: DE 10 2018 209 735.6, PCT/EP2019/065570

Method for testing an electrode arrangement for generating a non-thermal plasma and plasma source with such an electrode arrangement

Owned by: terraplasma & terraplasma medical

Priority date: 15.06.2018

Patent applications: DE 10 2018 209 730.5, PCT/EP2019/065574

Device and method for treating objects, in particular dental prosthetics and/or teeth

Owned by: terraplasma

Priority date: 05.02.16

Patent: EP 3411085

Owned by: terraplasma

Priority date: 06.08.2015

Patent applications: DE 10 2015 215 051.8, EP: 16751211.0, US 15/750,372

Electrode assembly and plasma source for generating a non-thermal plasma and a method for operating a plasma source

Owned by: terraplasma

Priority date: 23.07.2015

Patent applications: DE 10 2015 213 975.1, JP 2018-522866, EP 16744694.7

Patent: US 10470285B2, CN 107852806A

#### Method for deactivating preferably odourrelevant molecules and device for carrying out said method

Owned by: Max-Planck Society – terraplasma has excl. worldwide license

Priority date: 05.05.2011

Patent applications: DE 102011100751A1, EP 2704655

Patent: US2014147333

Disinfection appliance, container, use of a container and disinfection method for disinfecting a container, in particular for a food container

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Priority date: 25.02.2011

Patent: EP 2678046

#### Electrode arrangement for generating a nonthermal plasma

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Priority date: 15.03.2009

Patents: JP 5746980, US 9889218, EP 2399432

#### Plasma source

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Patents: EP 2147582, JP 5663819, US 8926920

#### Plasma source

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Priority date: 16.09.2005

Patents: EP 1925190, US 7683342