

# Improving internal P utilization efficiency (PUE) in crop plants

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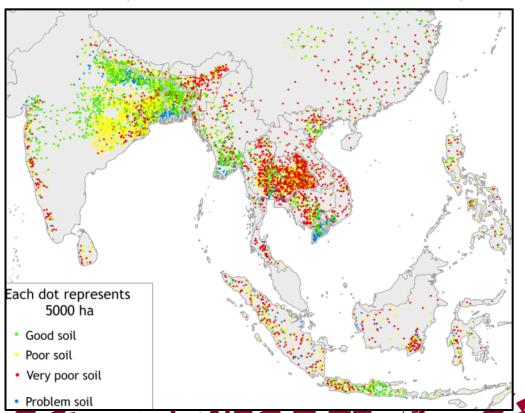


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Problem soils in Asia's rice areas

P deficiency is one of the main factors on problem soils



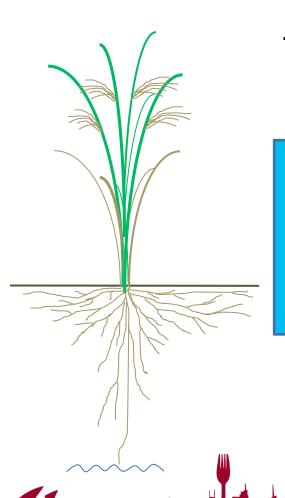
The potential yield in rice is 8t/ha

Many of the problem soil areas have yields of around 2-3 t/ha

Our target is to improve yield and P efficiency in rice

## **Breeding P efficient crops**





#### Lower grain P concentration

- stable yield at reduced P input
- decrease P off-take or P mining

#### **Internal PUE**

- more biomass per unit P
- remobilization
- substitution

#### <u>P uptake</u>

- Pup1
- novel P uptake genes mobilizing fixed soil P

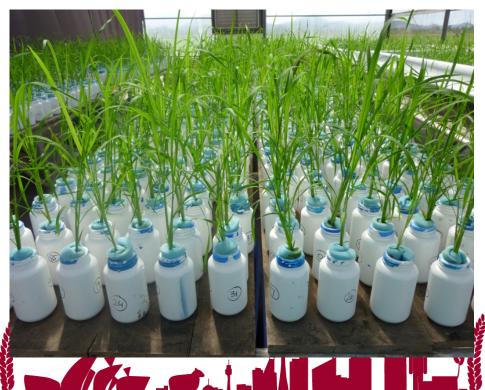
# **Screening for PUE**





Grow rice cultivars at a fixed amount of P (e.g. 1 mg)

- 330 genebank accessions
- 44,000 SNP platform



# Genome wide association mapping for PUE



