

**pleiotropic effects in grey poplar
caused by UV radiation
in wt & isoprene non-emitting plants**

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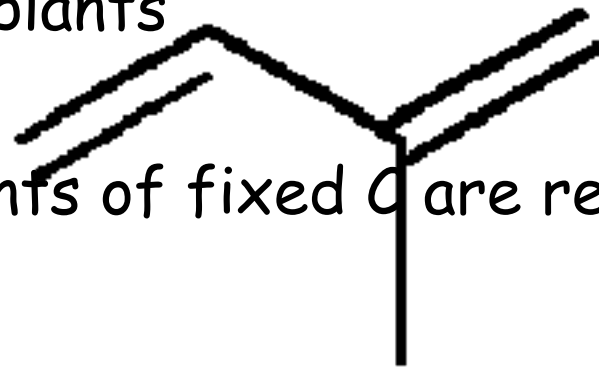
- BVOCS contribute to ozone-formation & global warming
 - BVOS are carbon bases molecules
 - chances in carbon-fluxes might alter BVOC emissions
- UV as a trigger to alter "C"-sequestration within the cell

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- in our work-group we study isoprene-emission

- mainly on grey poplar (*Populus x canescens*)
in wt & transgenic plants

- considerable amounts of fixed C are released from the plant
as isoprene



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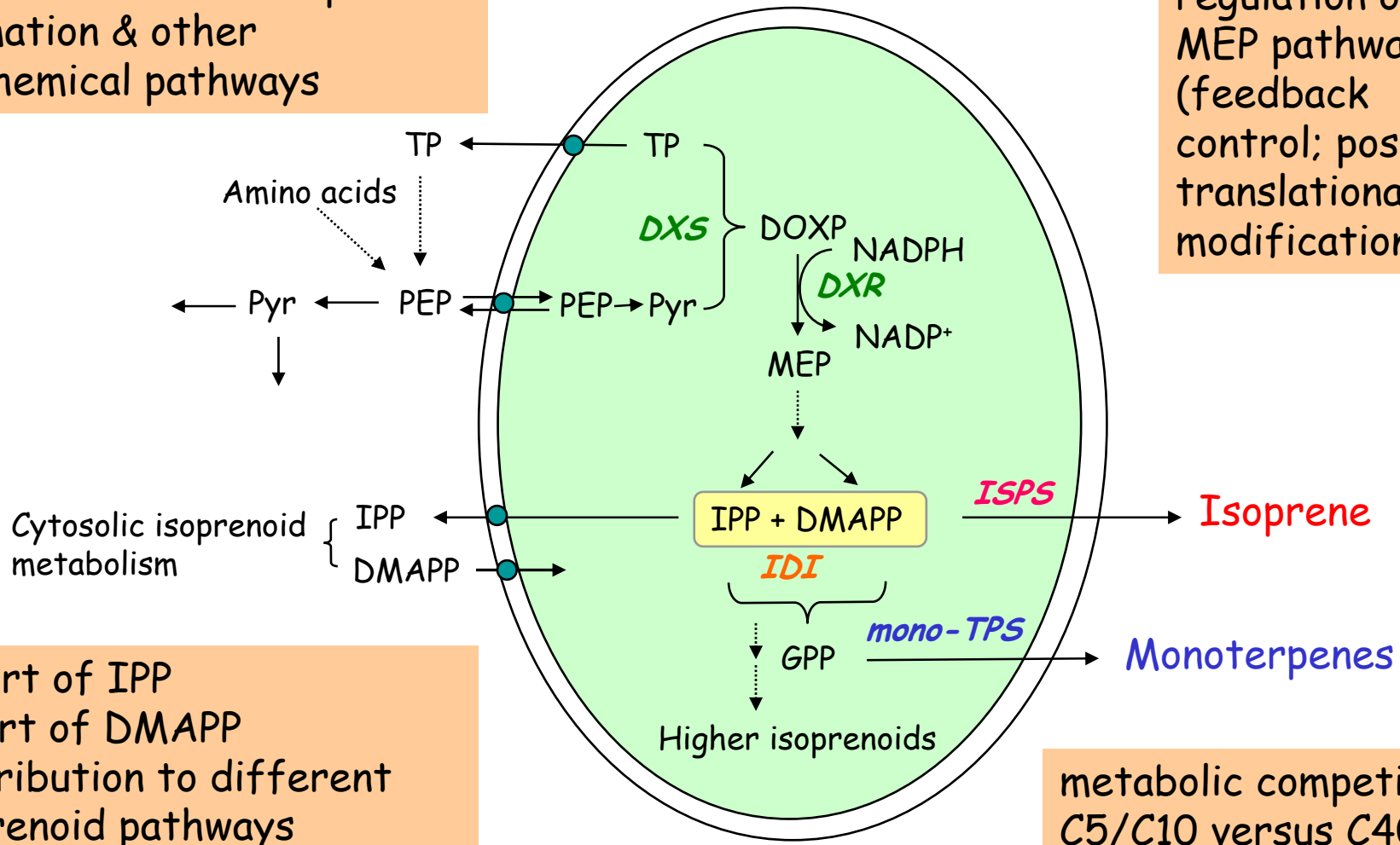
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crosstalk between isoprene formation & other biochemical pathways

quantification of variable „C“ pools

regulation of MEP pathway (feedback control; post-translational modifications)



export of IPP
import of DMAPP
contribution to different isoprenoid pathways

metabolic competition:
C5/C10 versus C40 isoprenoids

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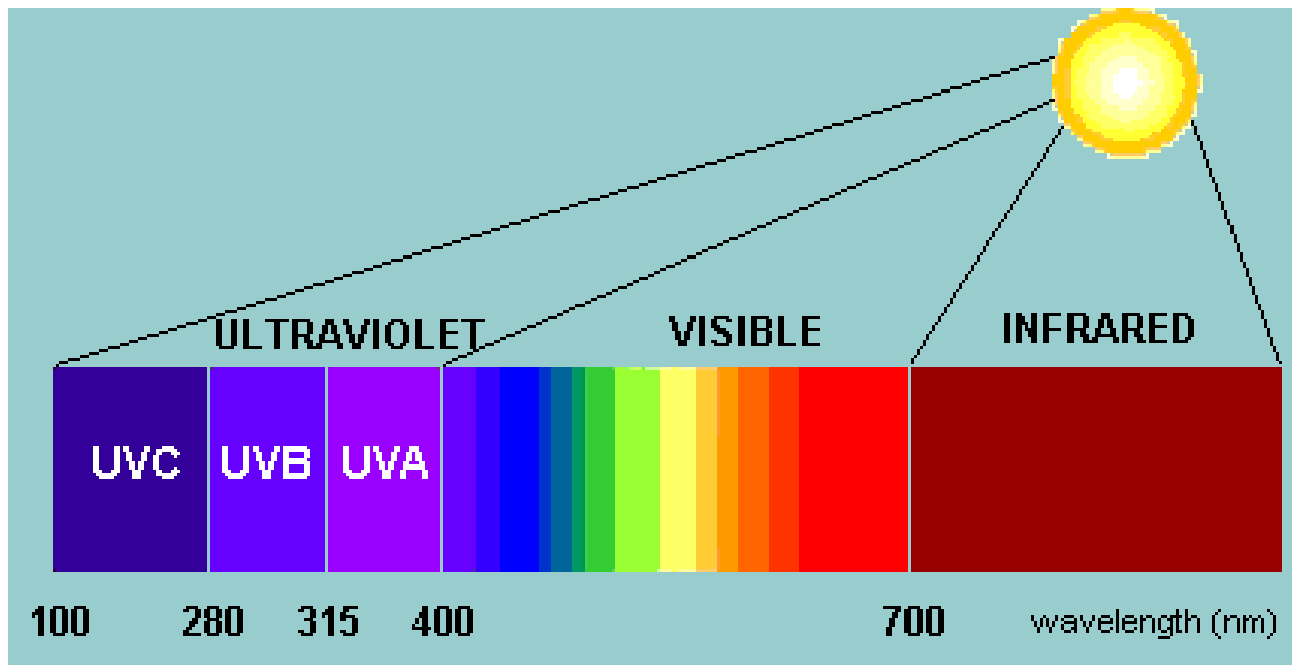
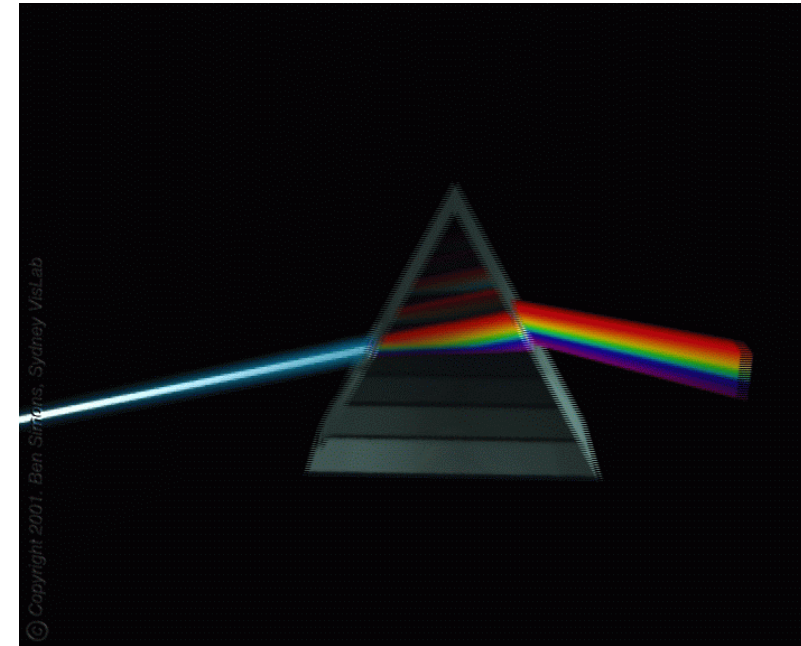
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what is UV radiation anyway?

- high-frequent light
- low wavelength (280-380nm)
- not visible to human eyes



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UV effects - direct:

- oxidative damaging of macro-molecules such as DNA, aromatic amino-acids & membrane-lipids
- generation of reactive oxygen species (ROS)

UV effects - indirect:

- induction of synthesis of protective compounds such as phenolic compounds & carotenoids...
- changes in gene-expression at different levels:
 - transcription
 - translation
 - post-translational modification
- induction of anti-oxidative enzymes

e.g. Brown *et. al.*, 2005; Jordan, 2002

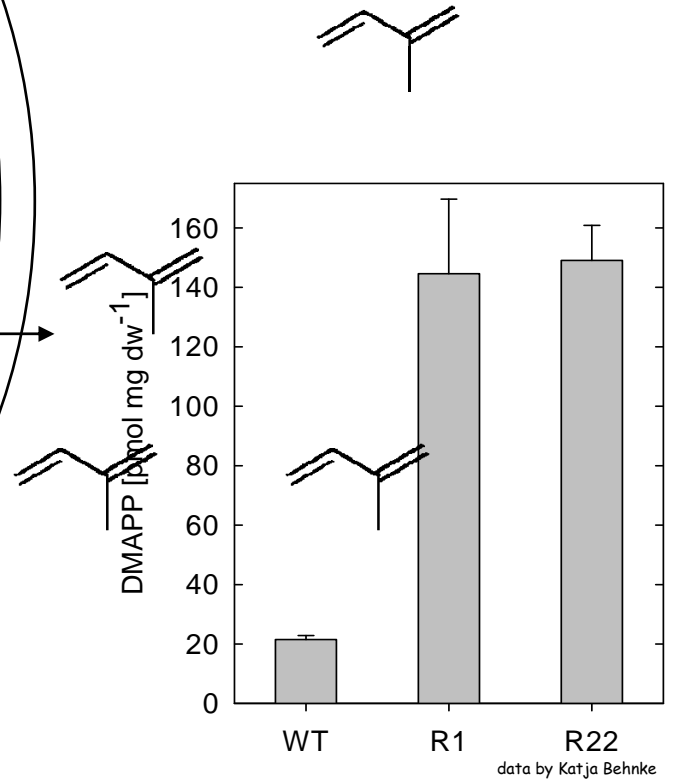
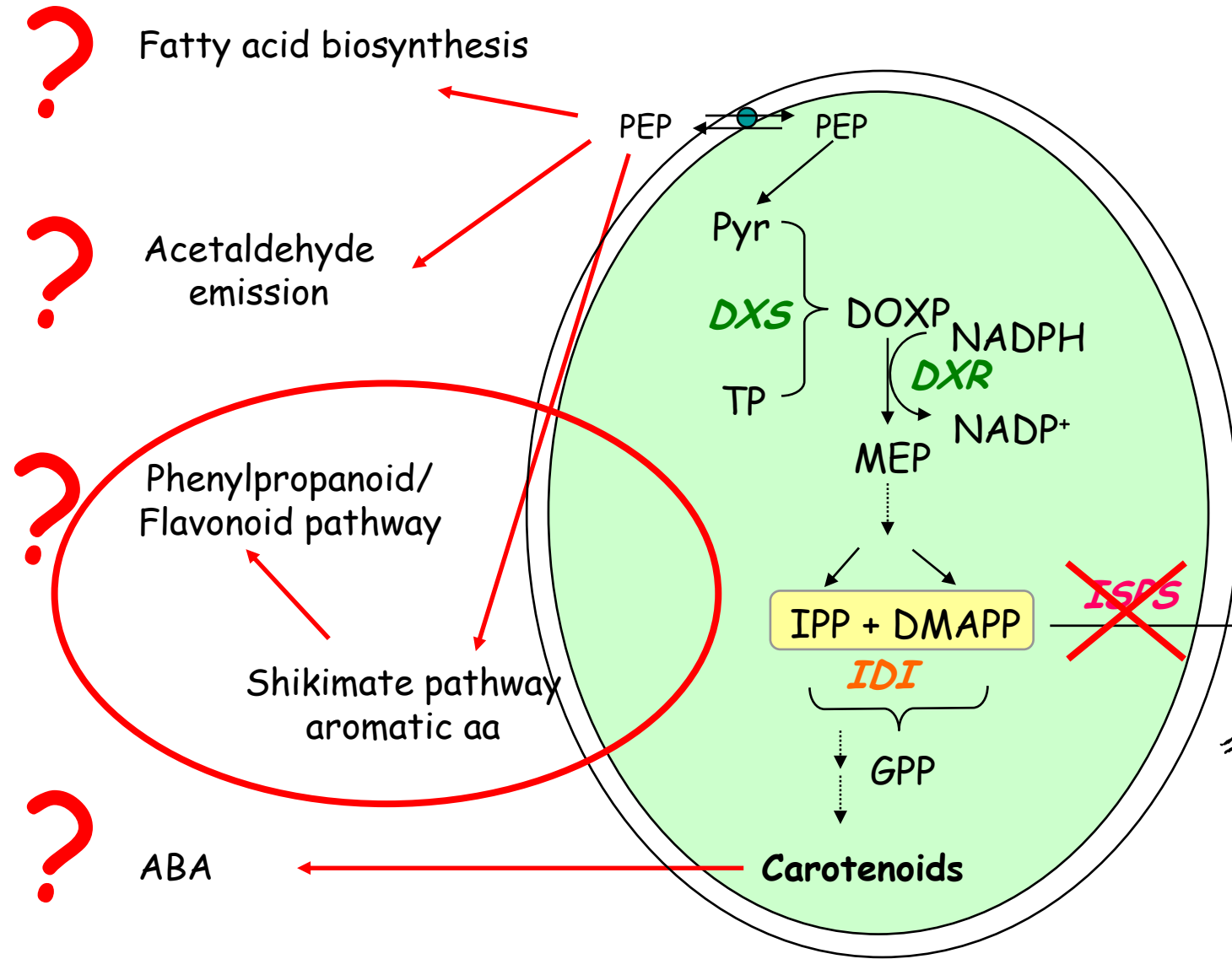
what is the idea of the experiment, then?

- UV has an impact on the cells metabolism
- so it might change the use of carbon & its fluxes

→ therefore UV possibly also affects
isoprenoid metabolism & isoprene emission?

→ the data should become integrated in a cellular
model of BVOC emission

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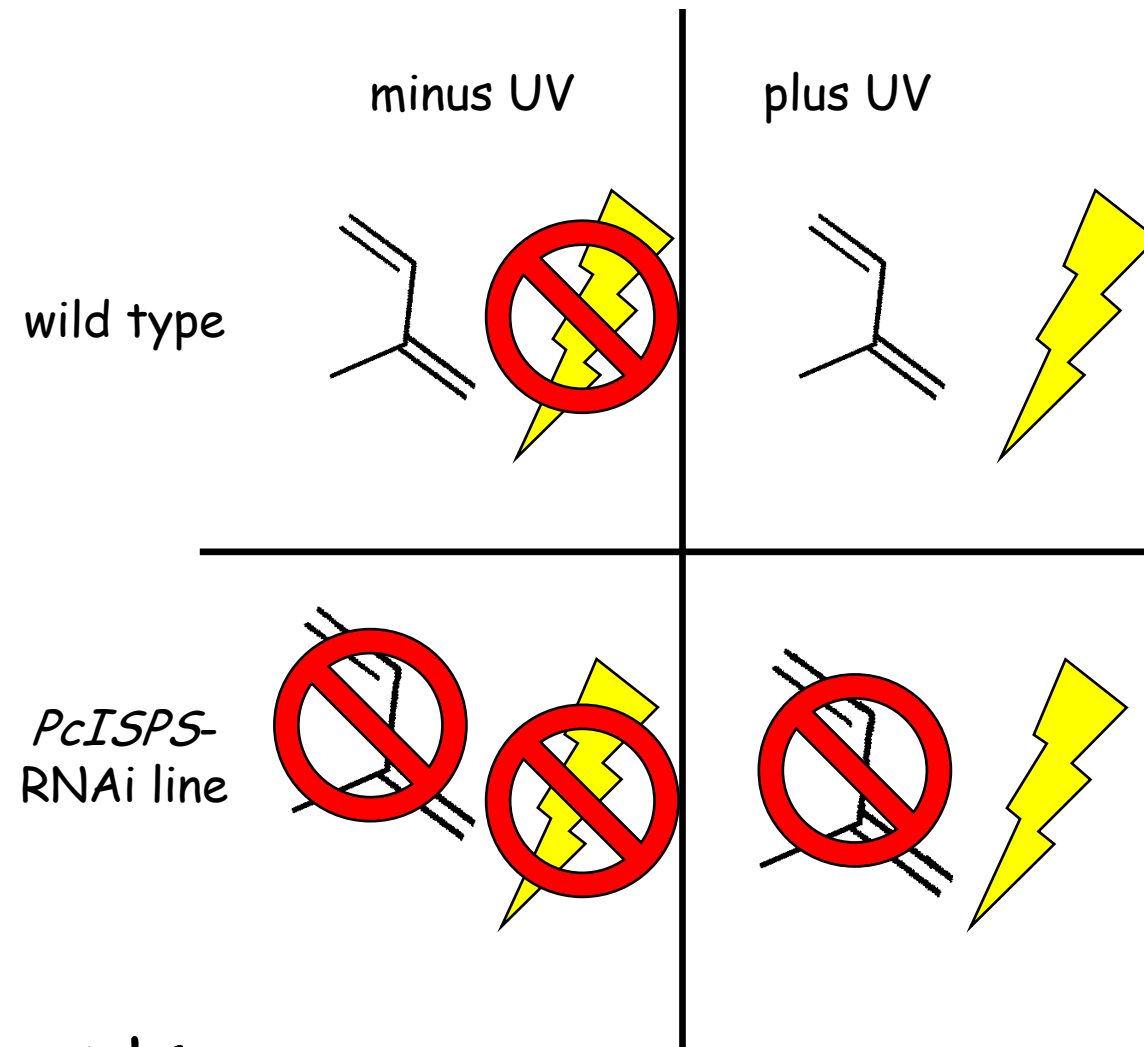
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SO:

- exposure of poplar plants to UV radiation in comparison to un-radiated plants
- also we compare wt vs. transgenic lines



→ 4 treatments

how did we set up the x-periment:

- sun-simulators at the Helmholtz Centre, Munich
- these allow a good approximation to the solar spectrum
- under controlled conditions
- 2 repeats

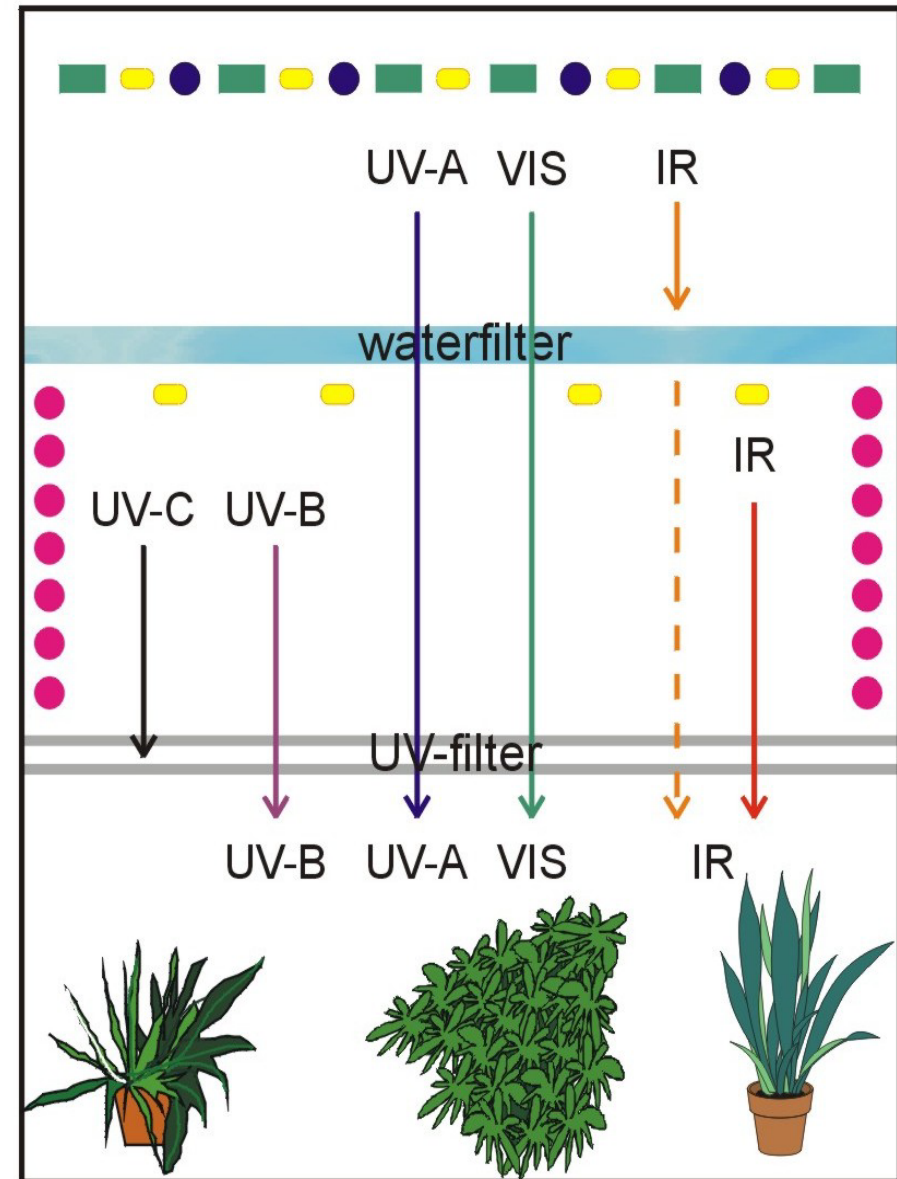
on-line monitoring:

- PTR-MS (Ionicon, Austria)
- GFS-3000 (Walz, Germany)
- Mini-PAM (Walz, Germany)



schematic outline of the sun simulators

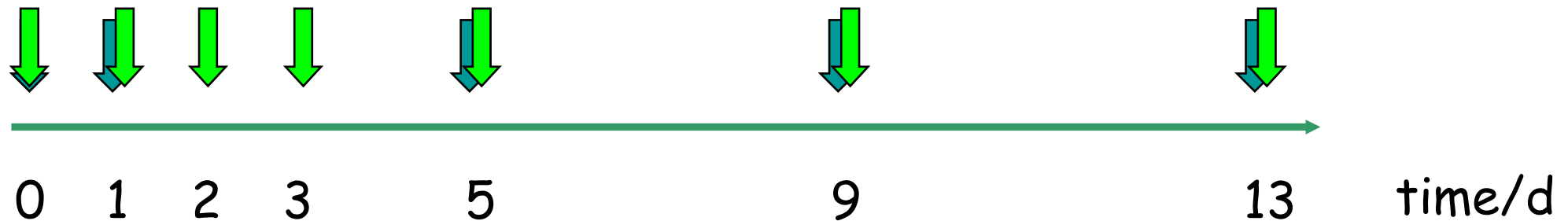
- Metal halide lamps ■
- Quartz halogene lamps ■
- Blue fluorescent tubes ●
- UV fluorescent tubes ●



picture by Dr. Andreas Albert

timing:

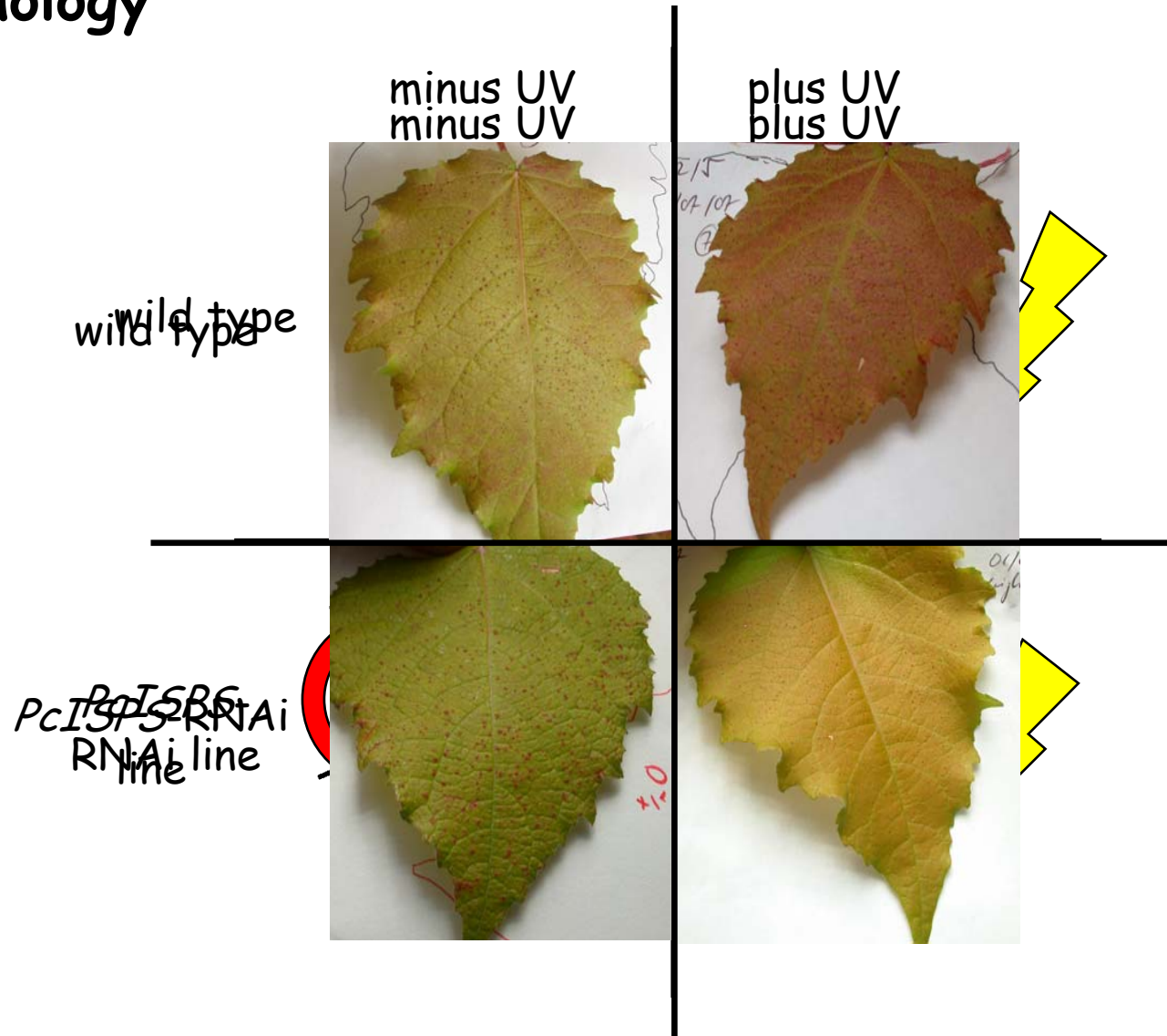
- in total 2 weeks of monitoring
- *on-line* measurements at days 0,1,5,9,13
- harvest of leaves at days 0,1,2,3,5,9,13



in vitro measurements include:

- analysis of:
 - PS-Pigments via HPLC
 - Metabolomics via ICR-FT/MS
 - Phenolic compounds via HPLC-MS
 - Gene-expression via RT-PCR

Morphology



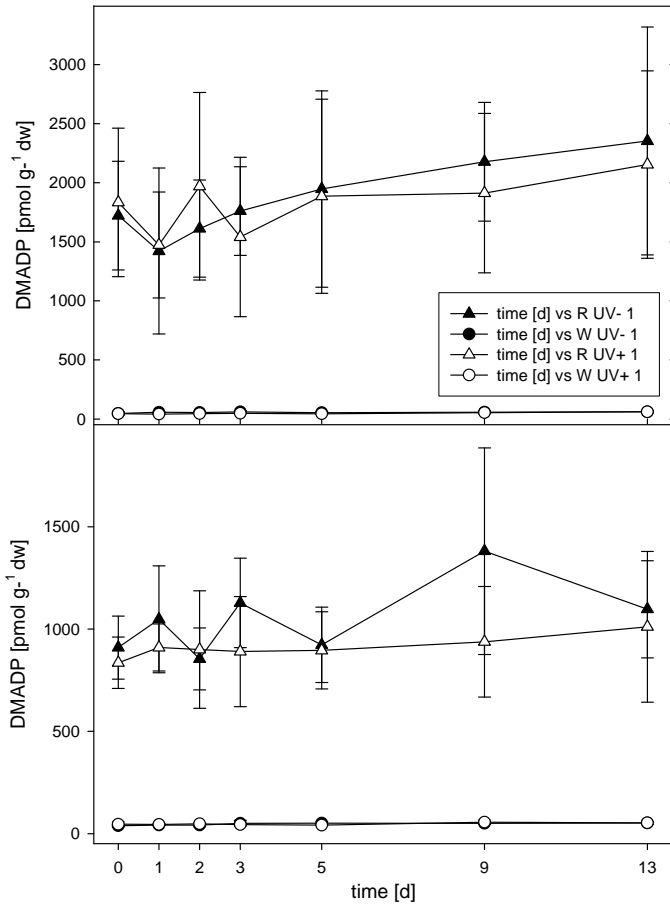
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- photosynthetic parameters
- carotinoid-content
- α -tocopherol-level

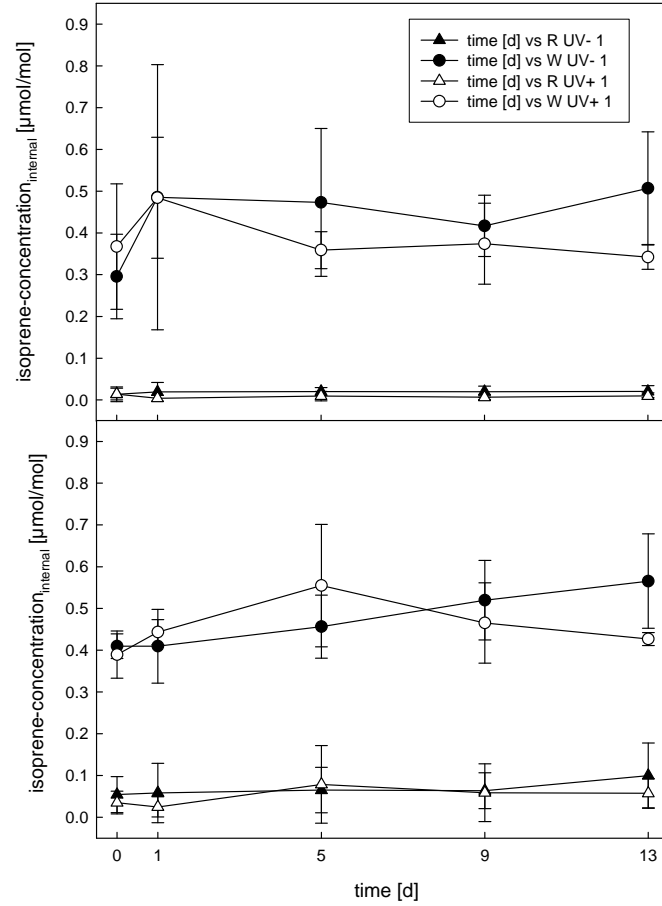
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DMAPP & Isoprene

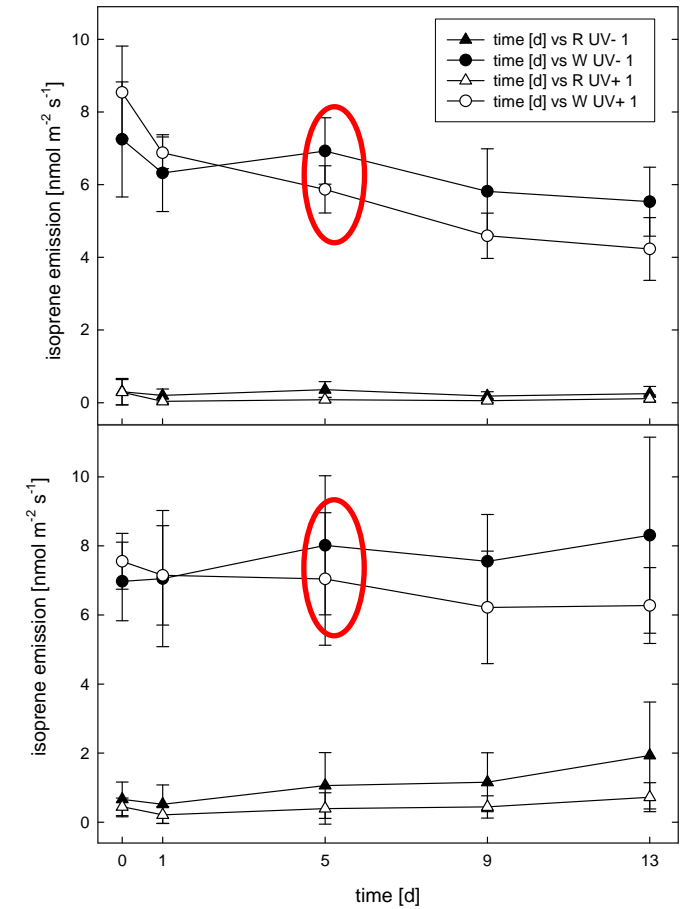
DMADP



Isoprene-Concentration_{internal}



Isoprene Emission



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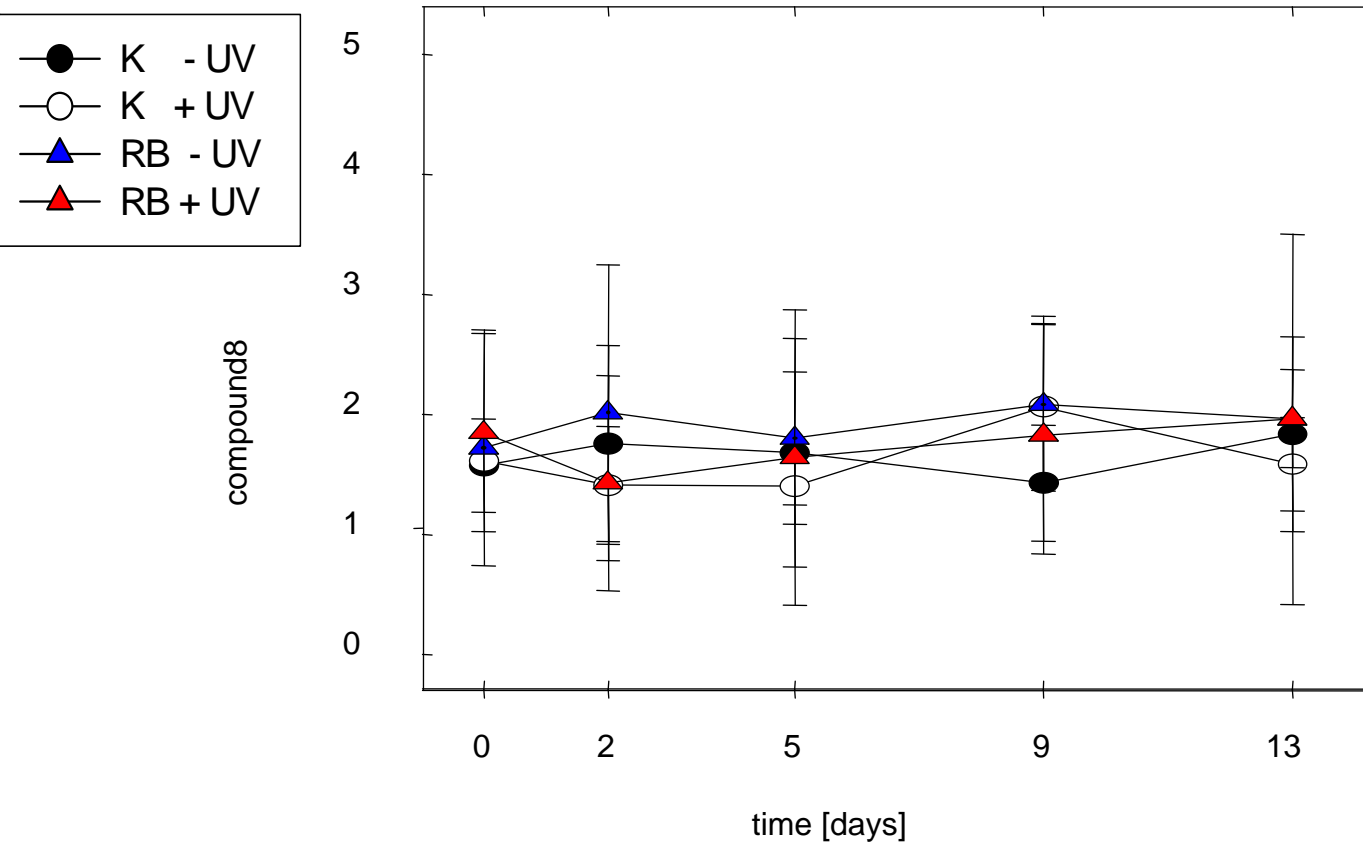
Anthocyanins & other Phenolic compounds

...more than 20 different compounds were found & quantified...

Anthocyanins & other Phenolic compounds

phenolic compound 8 :

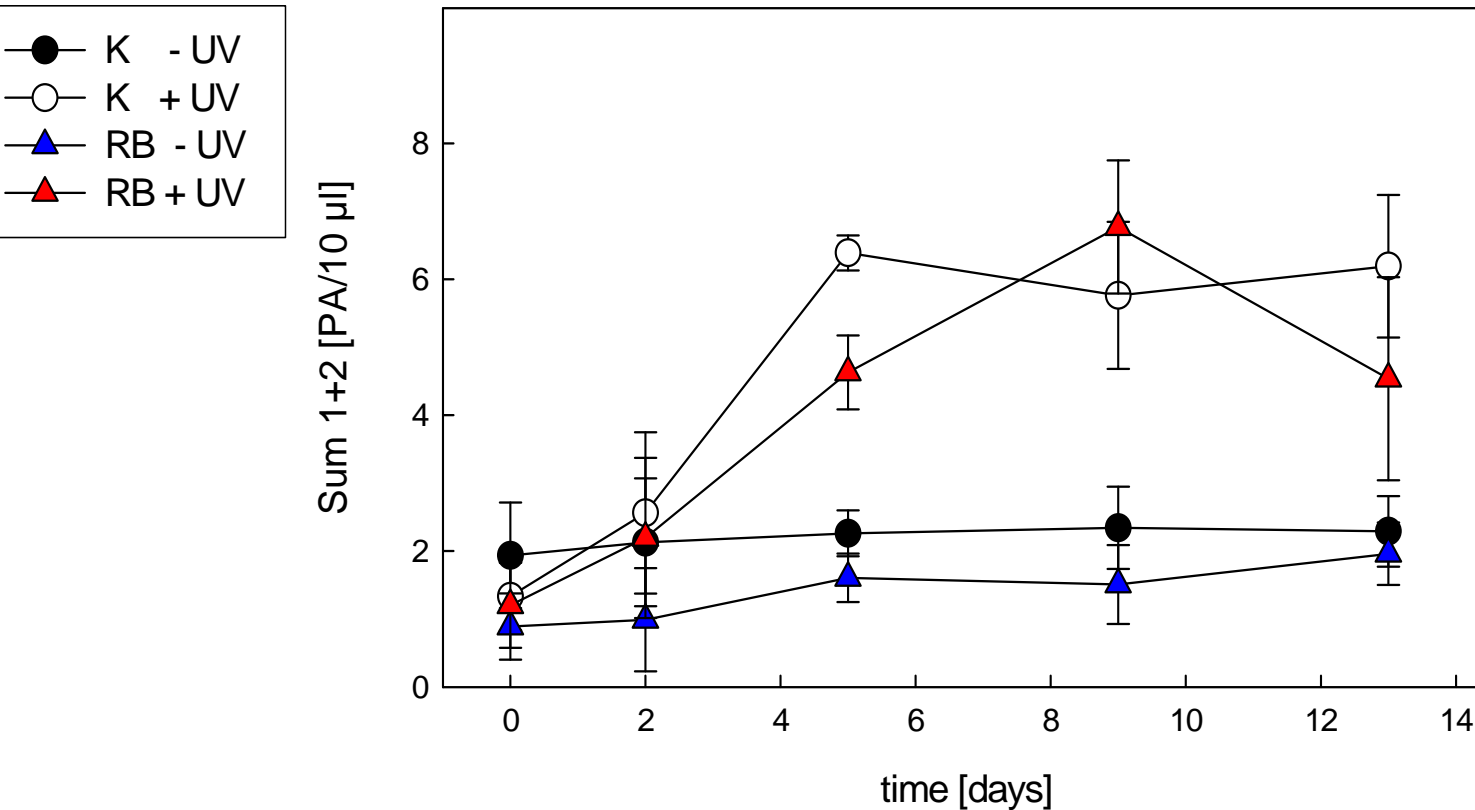
- no line-effect
- no treatment-effect
- no time-effect



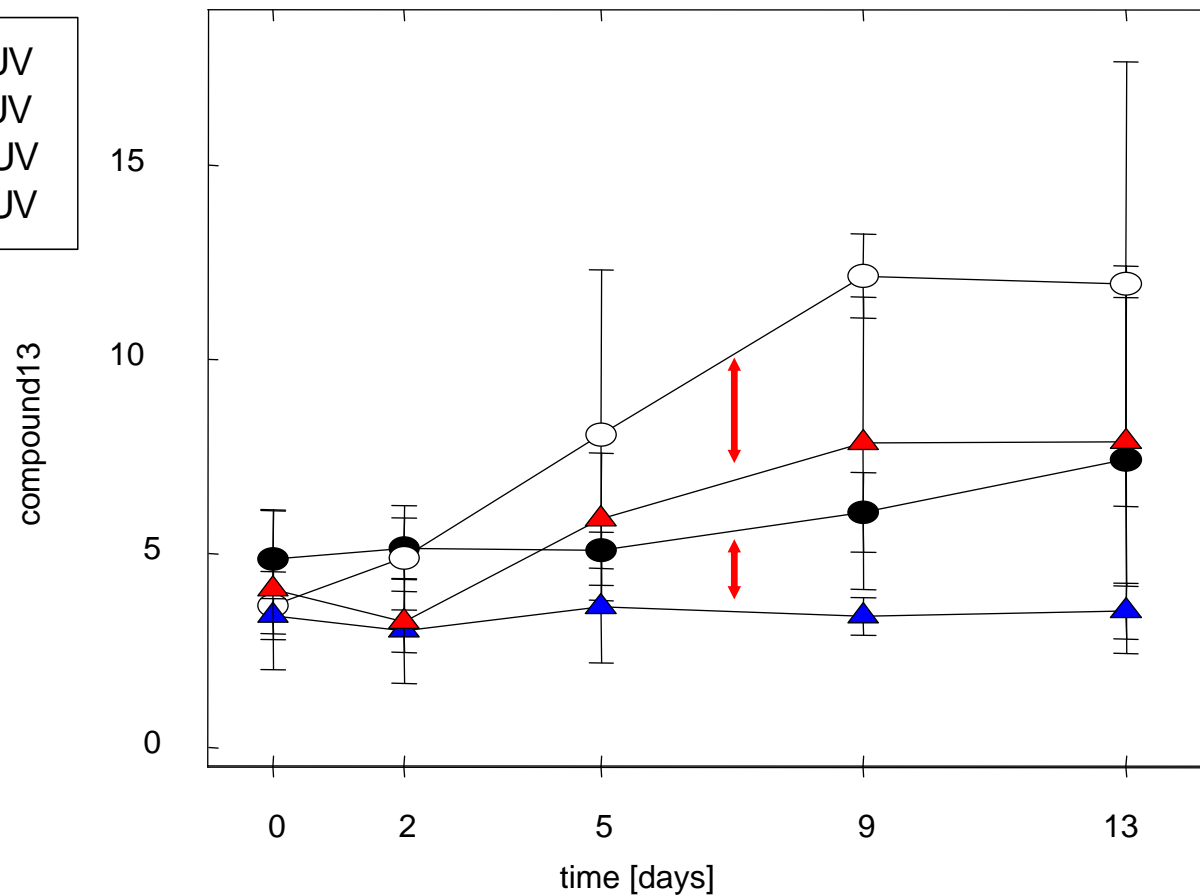
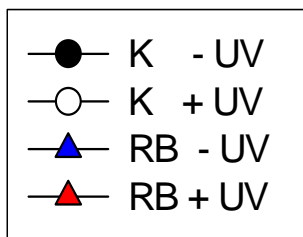
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Anthocyanins:

- treatment-effect
- time-effect



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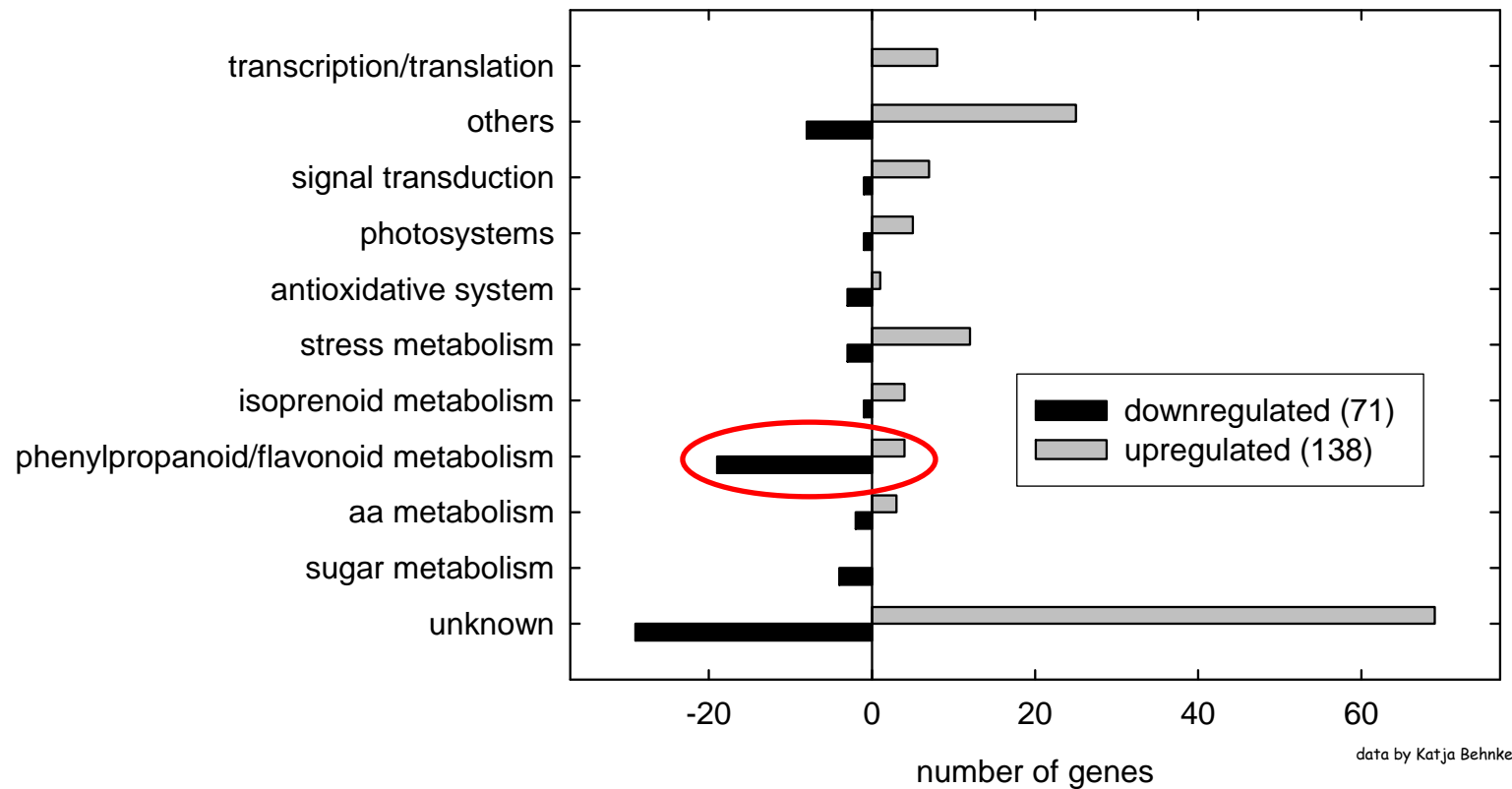
campherol-derivate:

- line-effect
- treatment-effect
- time-effect

**R-lines show less
flavonoids!**

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up and down regulation of pathways



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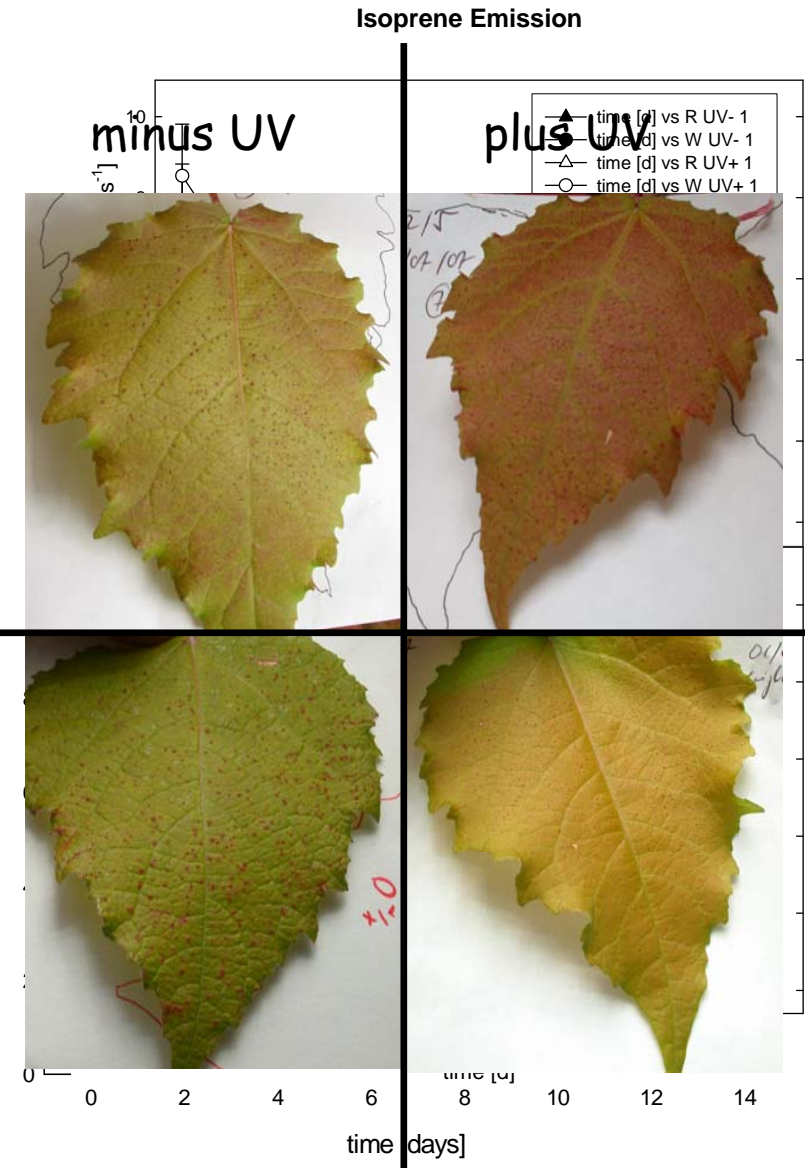
review:

- by eye: clear effect of treatments
- effects in anthocyanins & flavonoids
- isoprene metabolism emission shows clear trends

wild type

PcISPS-RNAi
line

Sum 1+2 [µV/10 µl]



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interpretation:

- isoprene emission is probably linked to UV-response in poplar
- UV-radiation can be used to alter "C"-fluxes in plant systems
- isoprene is not a compound protecting the plant from UV effects, but rather acting competitive for "C"

interpretation:

- interesting however, is the observed decrease in flavonoid content in the ISPS-repressed plants

this study:

- promising to analyse flavonoid gene expression
 - i.e. find target genes responsible for expression-pattern
 - quantify there expression levels
- structure analysis of phenolic compounds
- METABOLMIC analysis should show compound composition & distribution in more detail

future prospects:

- METABOLOMICS provide a powerful tool for easy data-access
- transgenic lines will help to better understand cellular processes
- cooperation with modelers will help to better:
 - predict
 - understand

future scenarios

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