



*European crops such as peas (*Pisum sativum*) can replace imported soybeans, which currently represent over 75% of feedstock protein in the EU.*

*The yield of legume crops is severely affected by both drought and fungal infection damage by *Fusarium*. This is compounded during drought conditions. The prevalence of this fungal disease is predicted to increase due to climate change.*

Abstress : 5 year project

Aims:

To develop crops that have increased resistance to drought (abiotic) and *Fusarium* (biotic) stress and still produce a good yield.

In the face of climate change reduce the time taken to breed new crop varieties that are more able to withstand the associated challenges and changing incidence of pests and diseases.

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