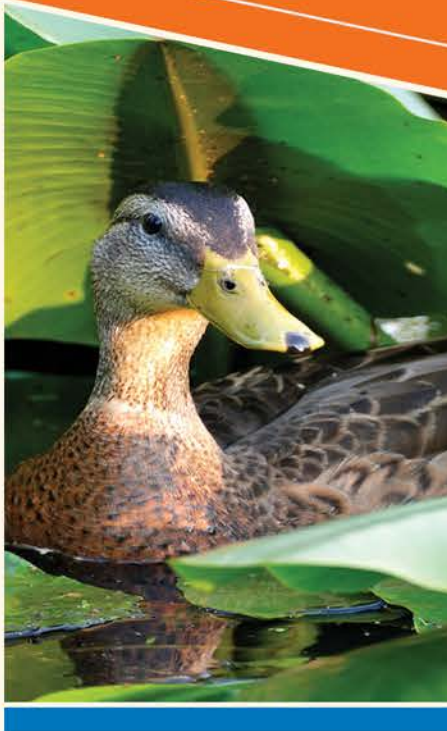




# Plant Breeding Innovations:

## Supporting Sustainable Agriculture



## REPRESENTING THE CANADIAN DEVELOPERS, MANUFACTURERS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS AND PRODUCTS OF MODERN PLANT BREEDING.



# The benefits of plant science innovations

- Pesticides and plant biotechnology deliver a full mix of economic, environmental and social benefits for Canadians
- Farmers grow more on less land, protecting the environment, driving economic activity and helping keep food costs affordable



Grow more  
on less land



# ENVIRONMENT

How is the plant science industry helping Canada's farmers take care of the environment?



# Protecting biodiversity

- Without pesticides and biotechnology farmers would need to turn 35 million more acres into farmland to grow what they do today
  - That's more than the total area of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and P.E.I. combined!



Saves natural habitat from being turned into farmland





# Saving fuel and water

- Conservation tillage reduces soil erosion, improves soil quality and cuts water use
- Fewer trips over the fields with equipment saves up to 194 million litres of diesel fuel a year

With plant science,  
less is more.



**WATER**



**LAND**



**FUEL**

**LESS**

# Tackling climate change

- Plant science innovations help farmers be more efficient, use fewer resources and have access to new crops that can thrive in changing climate conditions

Plant science innovations are playing an important role in helping mitigate climate change. Here's how:



**REDUCING  
GREENHOUSE GAS  
EMISSIONS (GHGs)**



**REDUCING  
FUEL USE**



**INCREASING  
AGRICULTURAL  
PRODUCTION**



**DEVELOPING CROPS  
THAT THRIVE IN  
CHANGING CLIMATE  
CONDITIONS**



## Science = Sustainability

- The more we can grow on existing farm land, the better it is for the environment
- Without plant science canola farmers would need 19 million more acres — or almost twice as much land — to grow the same amount they do today
- Without herbicides, wheat farmers would need 6.4 million more acres — 25% more land — to grow what they do today

### PLANT SCIENCE

GOES THE DISTANCE  
FOR CANADIANS

**19 MILLION**  
ACRES IS EQUAL TO ABOUT

**14 MILLION**  
FOOTBALL FIELDS.



**BOTTOM LINE:**  
THE MORE PRODUCTIVE  
WE CAN BE ON EXISTING FARM  
LAND, THE BETTER IT IS FOR  
OUR ENVIRONMENT.



# Technology Developers Predictions

*Based on pipeline data gathered from public and private technology developers*

## 2008 Status



GM events were developed by private sector in the U.S. and EU



GM benefits were predominantly agronomic



Developers sought approval in multiple exporting and importing markets

## Predictions for 2015



50% of GM events were predicted to be developed by public sector outside of the U.S. and EU



Greater number of crops and traits, significantly in crop composition and abiotic stress tolerance



Significant number of isolated foreign approvals

# Predictions vs. Reality in 2014

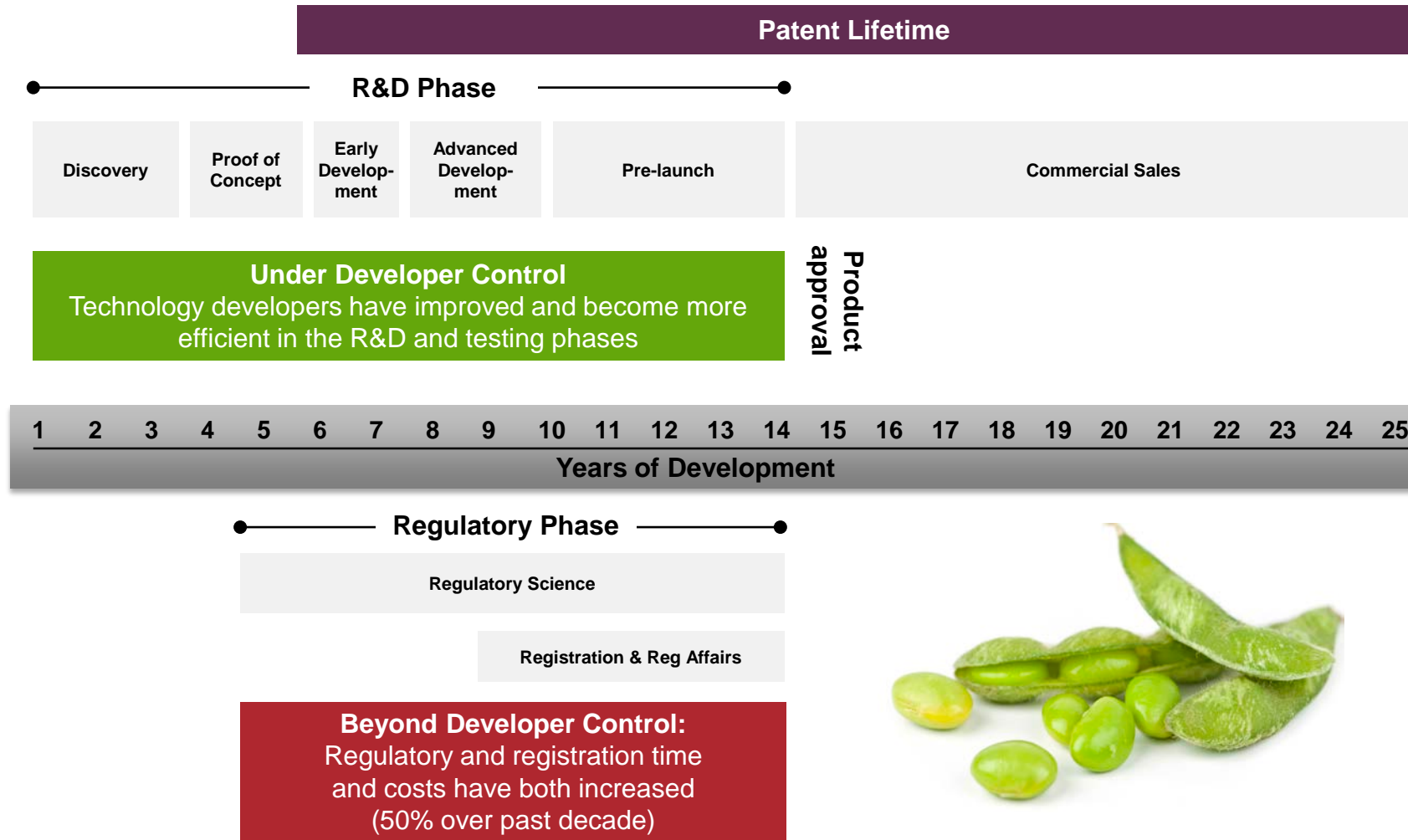
Number of Commercial GM Events			
Crop	2008 Status	Prediction for 2015	2014 Reality
Soybean	1	17	5
Maize	9	24	15
Rapeseed	4	10	3
Cotton	12	27	16
Rice	0	15	1
Potatoes	0	8	0
Other	7	23	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>49</b>



*Commercial = approved **and** marketed in at least one country*

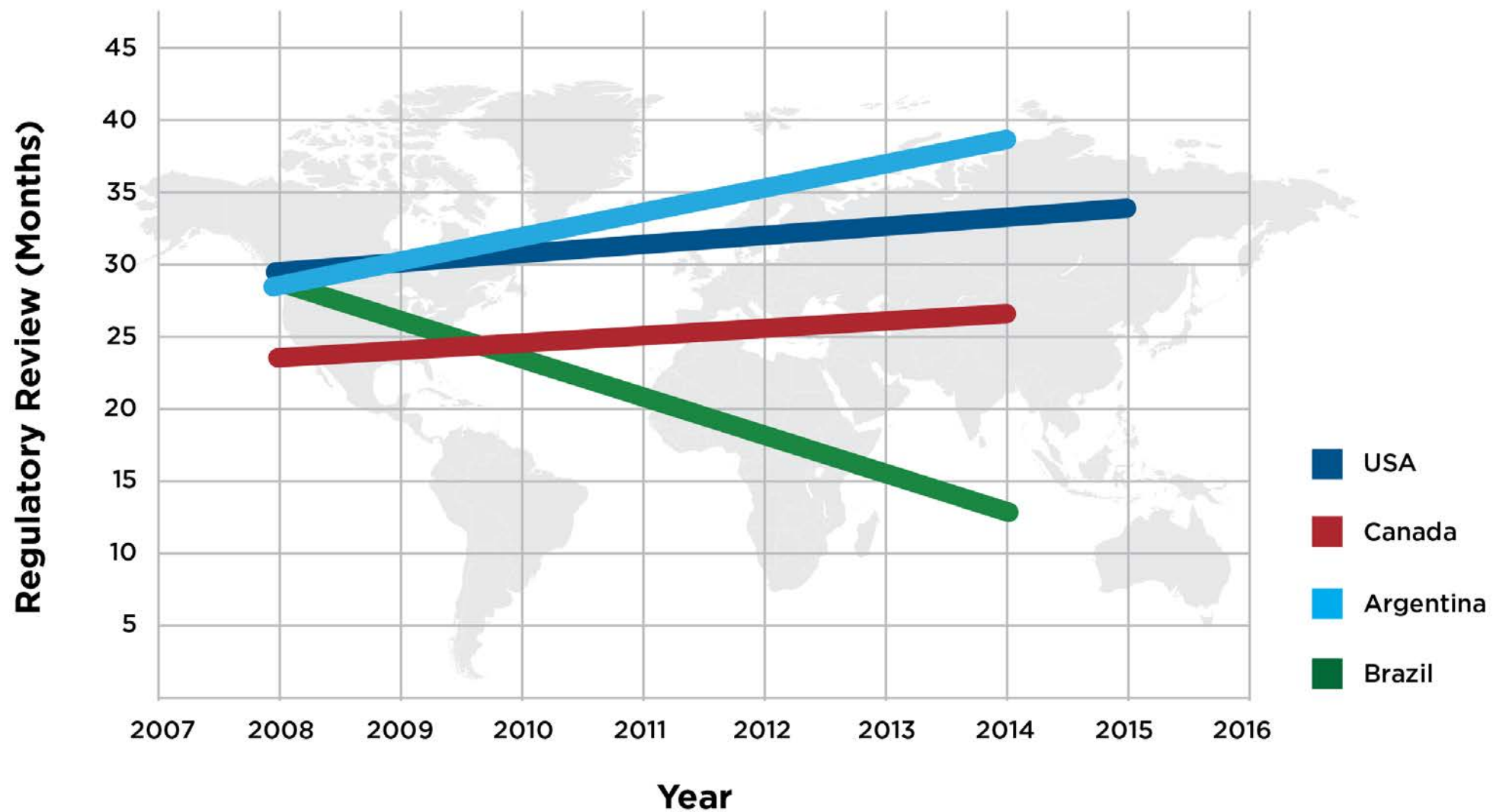


# Where's the Development Holdup?



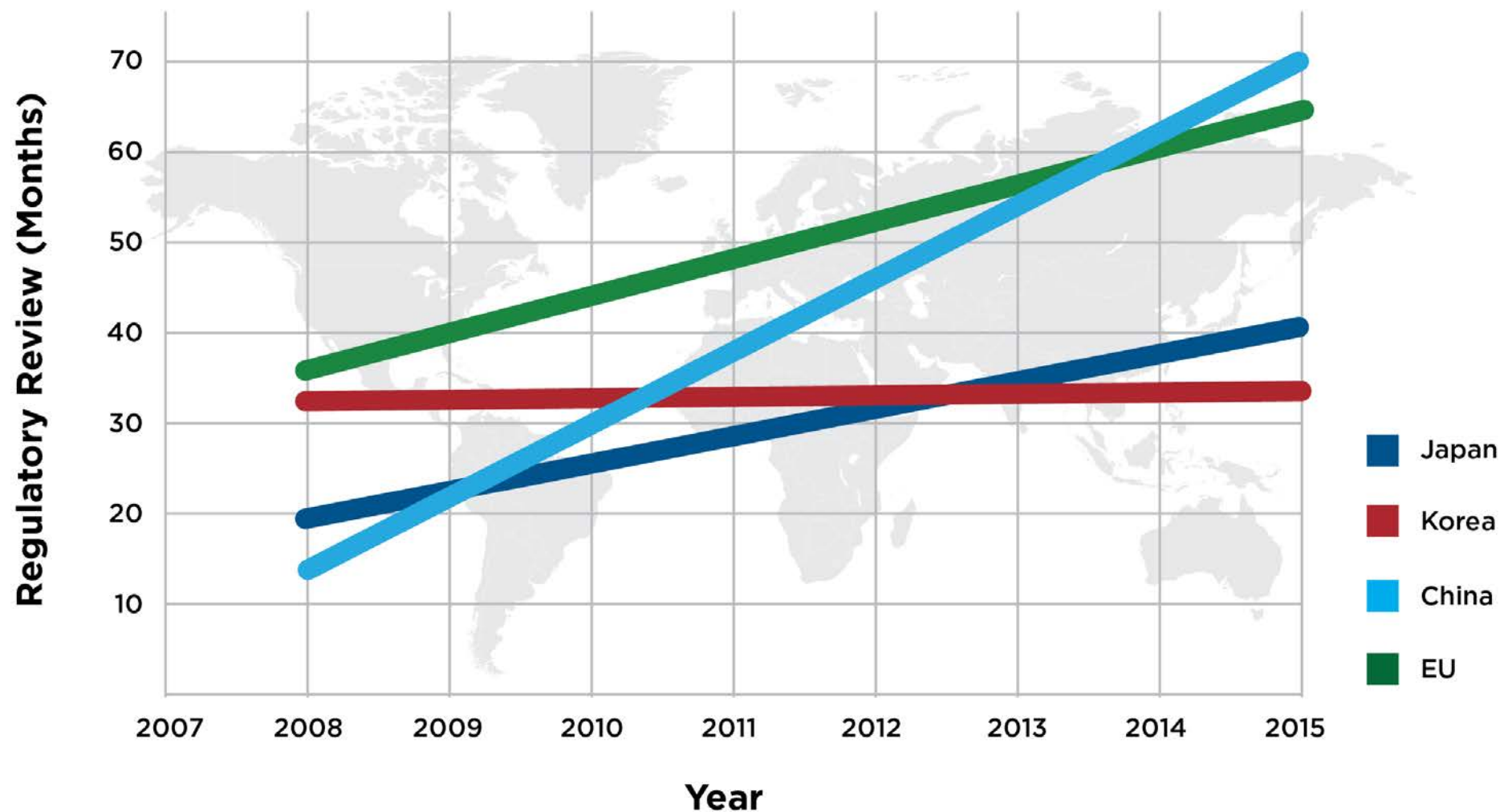
Source: Phillips McDougall 2012 / CLI Members

# Cultivation Market Approval Timelines





# Import Market Approval Timelines



# Regulatory Systems are Blocking Innovation Delivery



Technology developers are  
**developing and delivering  
innovation**



Regulatory systems globally are  
**blocking delivery of innovation**  
to growers and consumers



# So Much Potential in the Pipeline...

## PUBLIC & PRIVATE

### New biotech technologies to benefit growers

Triple-stack rice

Arctic Apples  
(non-browning)

Innate Potatoes (protection against bruising)

Herbicide &  
disease-  
tolerant soybeans

Insect-resistant  
cotton

Drought-tolerant  
maize

Salt-tolerant &  
nutrient-enhanced  
wheat

Aphid-resistant  
wheat

Late blight resistant potato

Disease-resistant banana

### New biotech technologies to benefit consumers

Healthy edible oils  
(no trans fat, low saturated fat)

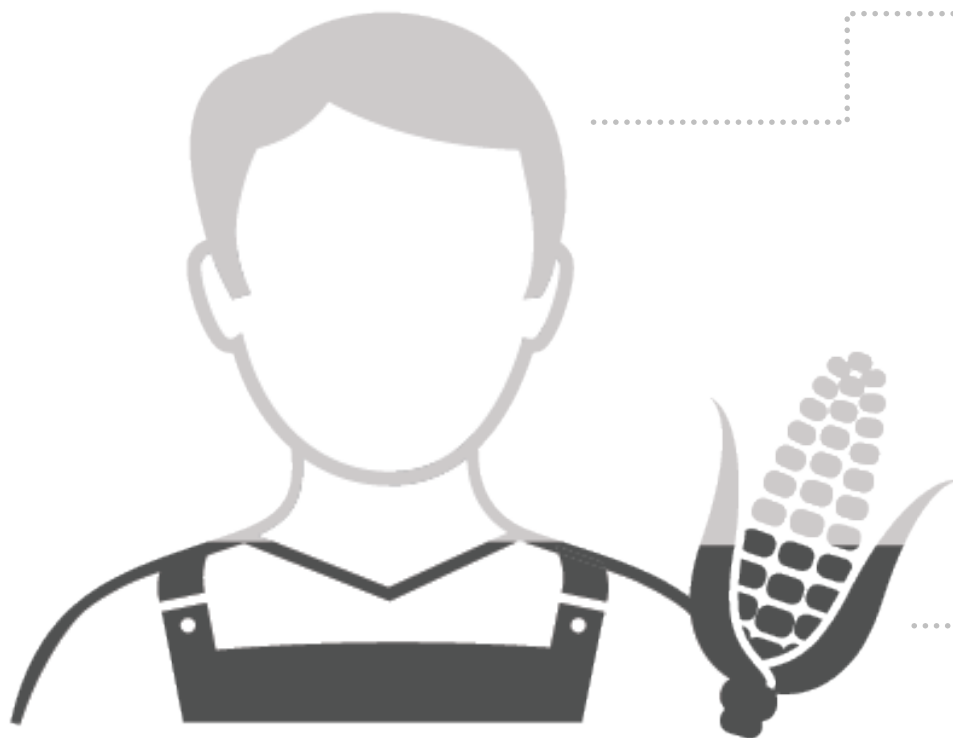
Golden Rice  
(beta-carotene),  
Iron-Rich Rice

Biofortified  
sorghum  
(higher  
vitamin A,  
iron & zinc)

Pink Pineapple  
(higher  
lycopene)

Transgenic corn line  
(vitamin biofortified  
endosperm)

# Opportunities Lost?

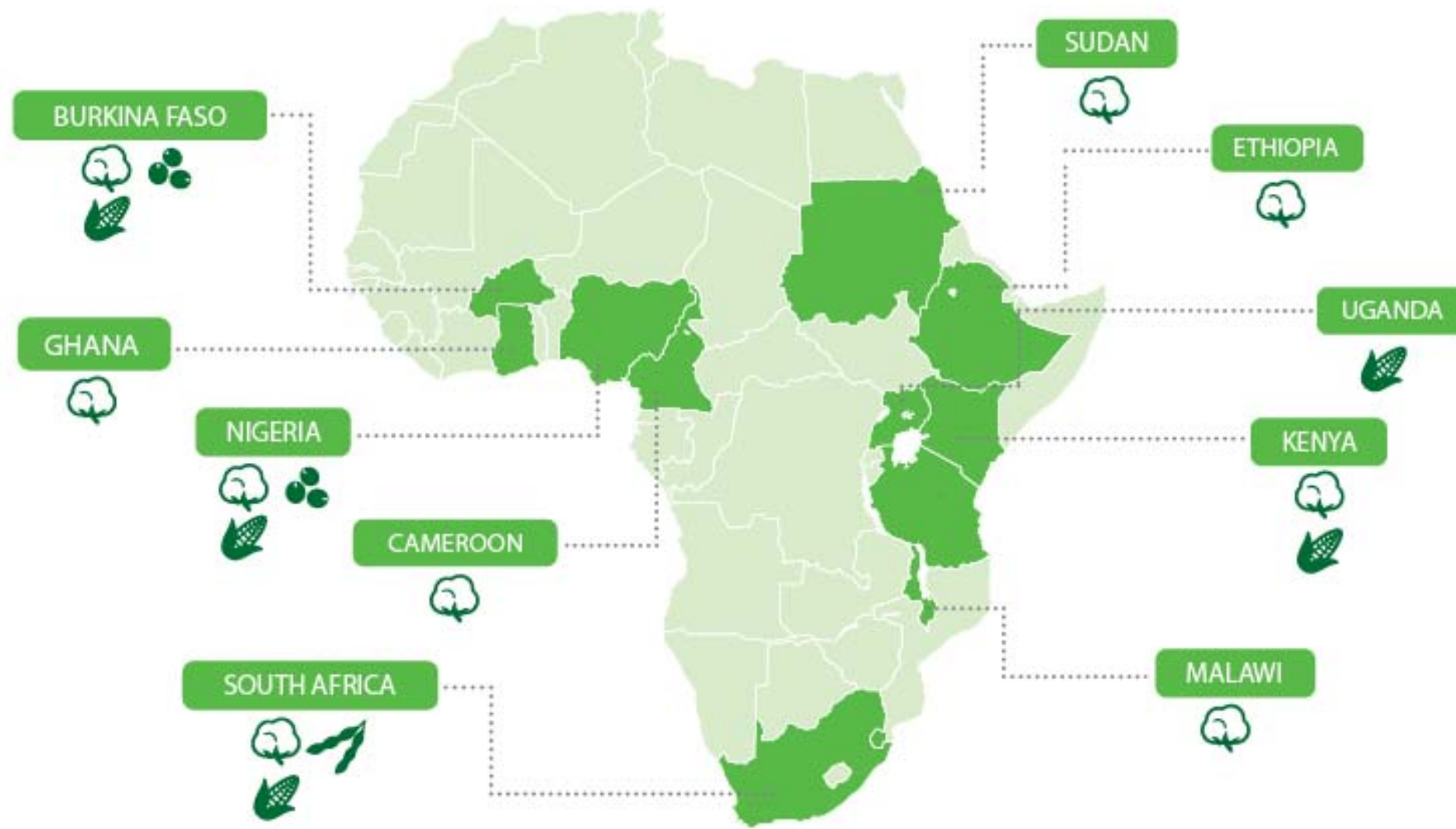


An updated forecast shows 2020 to be **less than 80%** of the 2008 prediction

At best, **less than 20%** of the products on the previous slide will actually make it to farmers by 2020

The global pipeline of GM crops out to 2020. *Nature Biotechnology* 34, 31-36 (2016), doi:10.1038/nbt.3449 Published online 08 January 2016

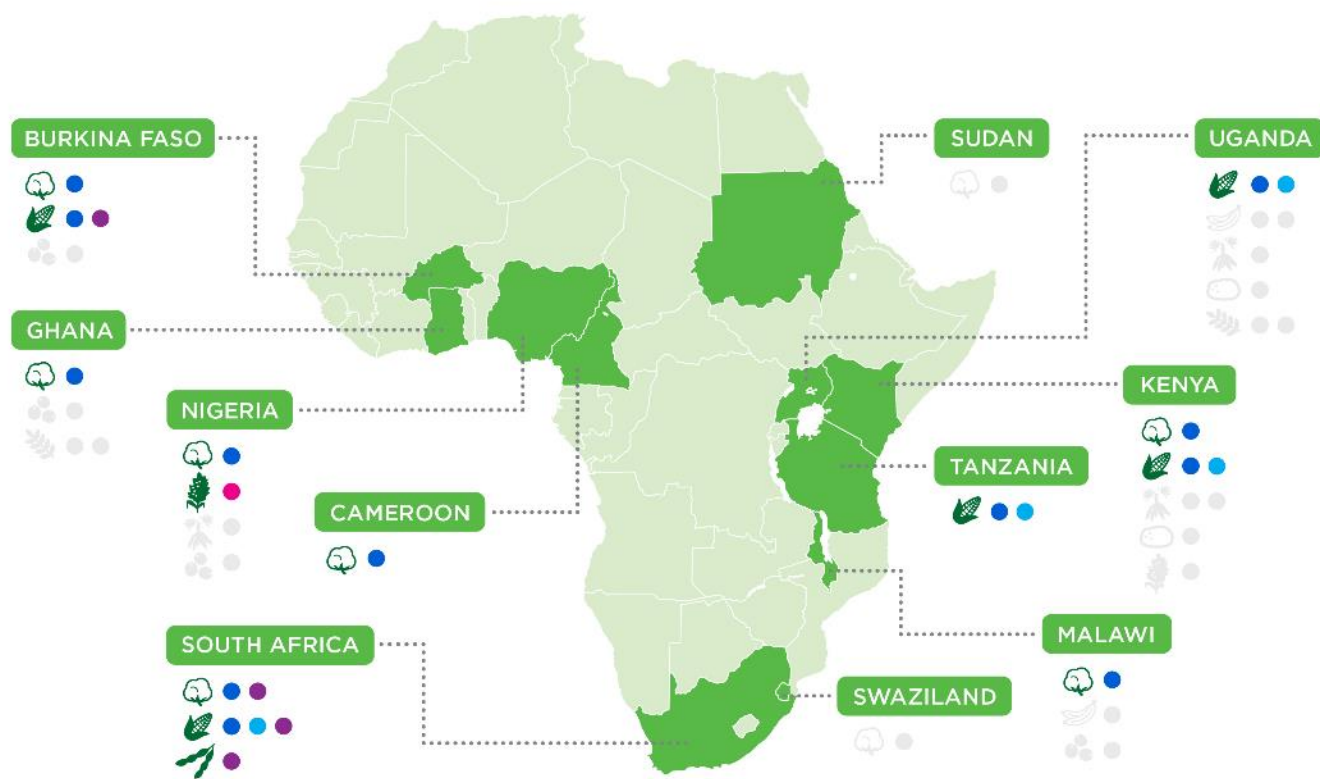
# Biotech Utilization in Africa



**2020 Vision**



# Biotech Pipeline in Africa



CROPS			DEVELOPER		TRAITS	
 Banana	 Cowpea	 Rice	 CropLife International Members		 Biofortified	 Herbicide Tolerant
 Cassava	 Maize	 Sorghum	 Other Developers		 Disease Resistant	 Insect Resistant
 Cotton	 Potato	 Soybean			 Drought Tolerant	 Virus Resistant
					 Fertilizer Use Efficient	

# What do we need to do together?



Engage with policymakers to establish efficient, predictable and consistent science-based regulatory frameworks

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Leverage the impressive safety record for plant science innovations

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Look for opportunities to work with stakeholder partners to raise awareness of barriers to commercialization