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# NBTs – Genetic engineering 2.0?

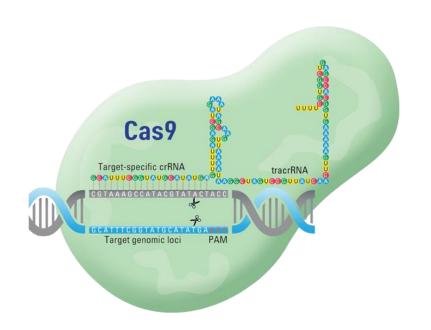


# Plant breeding innovation

- Genome editing
- Cisgenesis
- Reverse breeding
- RNA-dependent DNA methylation
- Agro-infiltration
- Grafting

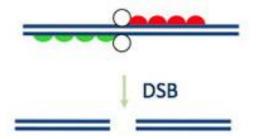


### Genome editing: the CRISPR/Cas9 revolution



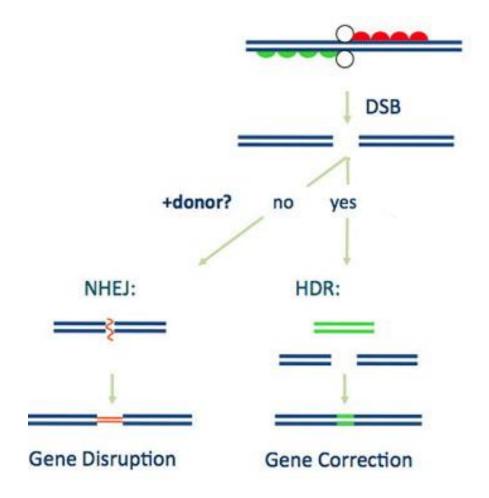


#### A double-strand break





## **Break repair**





#### Genome edits

Point mutation

Frameshift mutation

Stop codon insertion

Small deletion

Small insertion

Allele replacement

ACGTCCGGCATTC -> ACGTCCCGCATTC

ACGTCCGGCATTC -> ACGTCCTGGCATTC

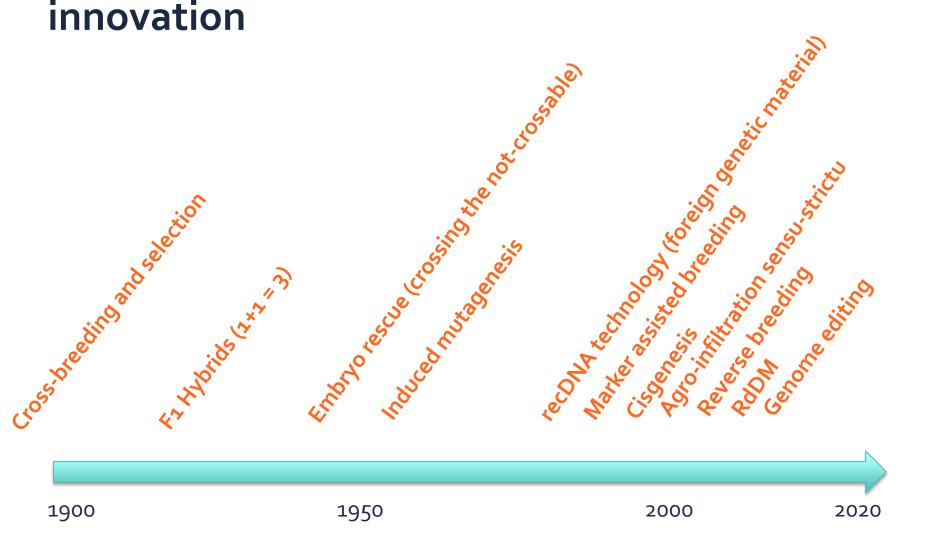
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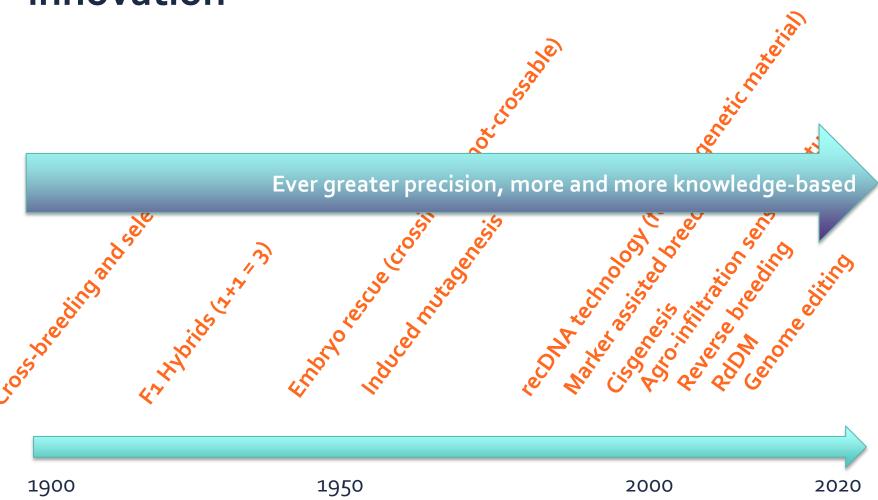


# Genome editing in context of plant breeding innovation

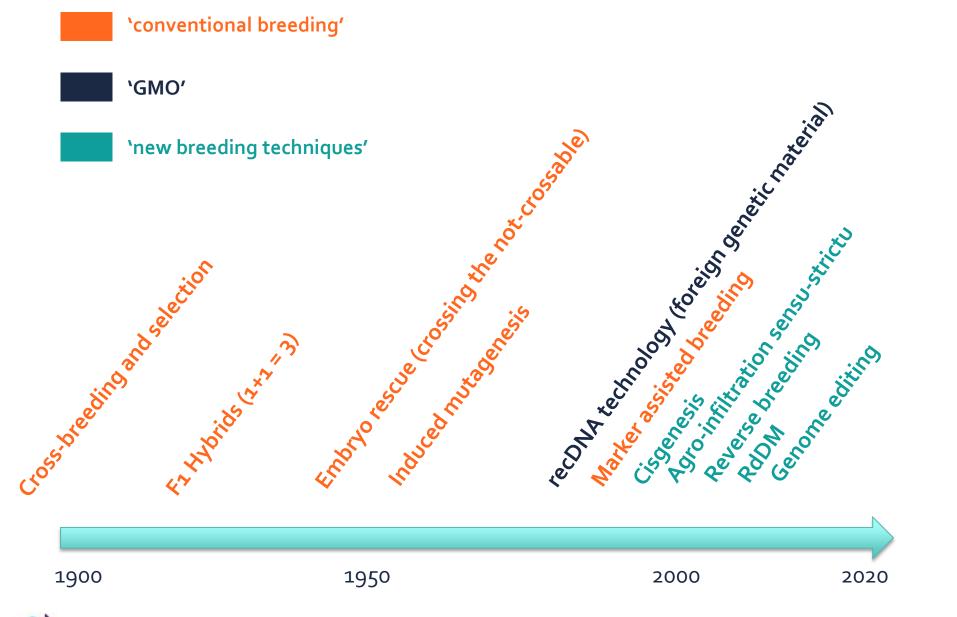




# Genome editing in context of plant breeding innovation









# Genetic variation that can and cannot occur in nature

Organisms with genetic variation within natural boundaries

Likely or possible to occur in nature

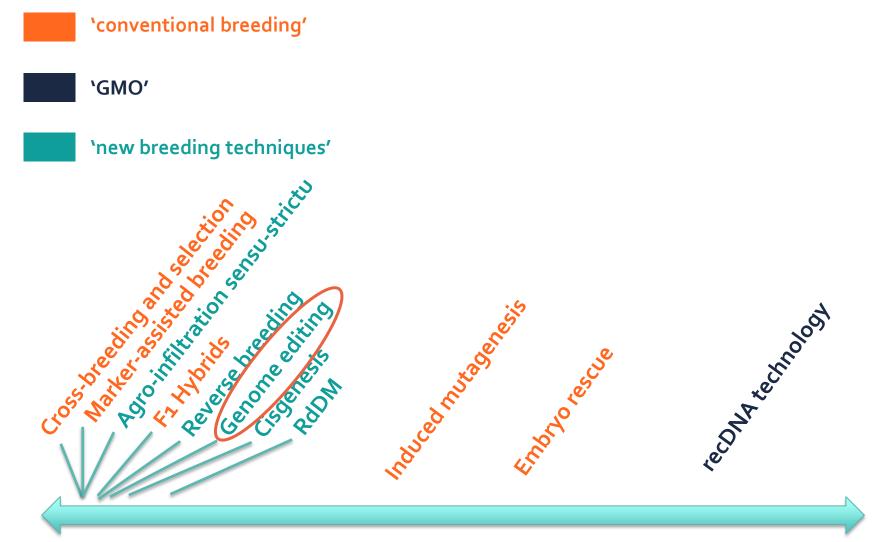
Organisms with genetic variation beyond what is possible through mating and natural recombination

Cannot occur in nature

Known natural phenomena that contribute to genetic variation:

- Mutations (point mutations, INDELS, frameshift mutations)
- Recombination
- Duplications, inversions
- Insertial mutagenesis (transposons, ...)





Genetic variation within natural boundaries

Ability to create novel genotypes beyond what is possible through mating and natural recombination



### Genome editing is ...

- 1. ... a novel plant breeding technique
- 2. ... precision engineering
- 3. ... a tool to create additional genetic variation within the natural boundaries of the existing genome



## Conventional plant breeding



One small spontaneous genetic alteration



Cauliflower



## Innovative plant breeding





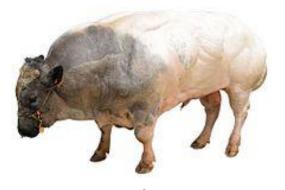
### Food is more than crop plants



plants



microbes



animals



seafood



# Genome editing in animals



PRSVV resistant pig



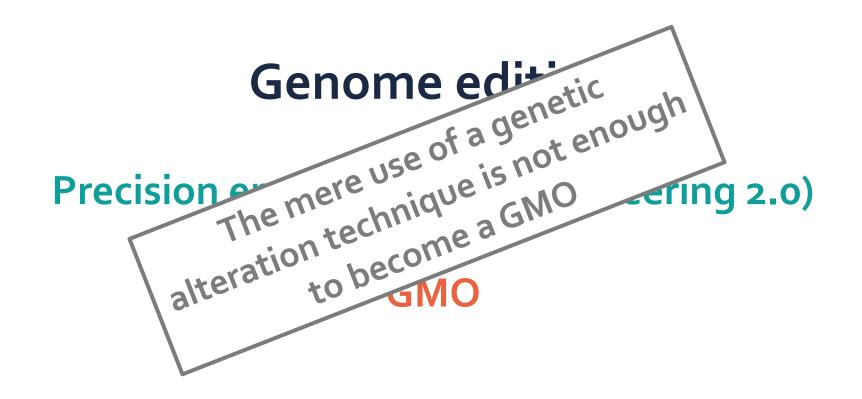
Hornless cow



### An awful lot in the pipeline

- Mildew resistant wheat
- Blight resistant potato
- Amylopectin potato
- Mushroom with extended shelf life
- Non-allergenic apples
- **....**







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