

Introduction to PlantVillage Nuru

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NURU





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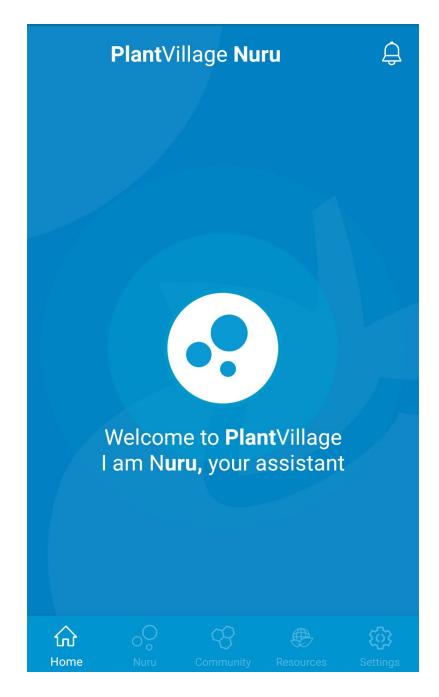








What is PlantVillage Nuru (Nuru)?





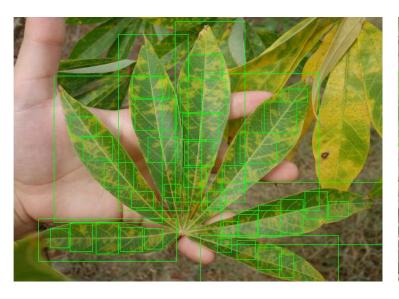
An **mobile app** for identification of disease symptoms and pest damage on plants

NURU – Swahili word for Light
'The light that farmers can use
to solve their agricultural
problems'



HOW WAS PLANTVILLAGE NURU MADE?

The object and image detection technology (Tensor flow) developed by Google was modified such that it can detect objects (plant leaves) and patterns (disease symptoms).

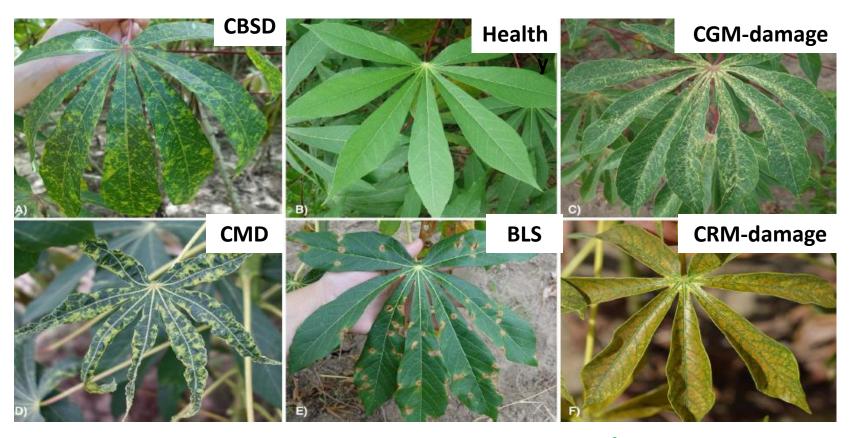






The Cassava - Artificial intelligence system

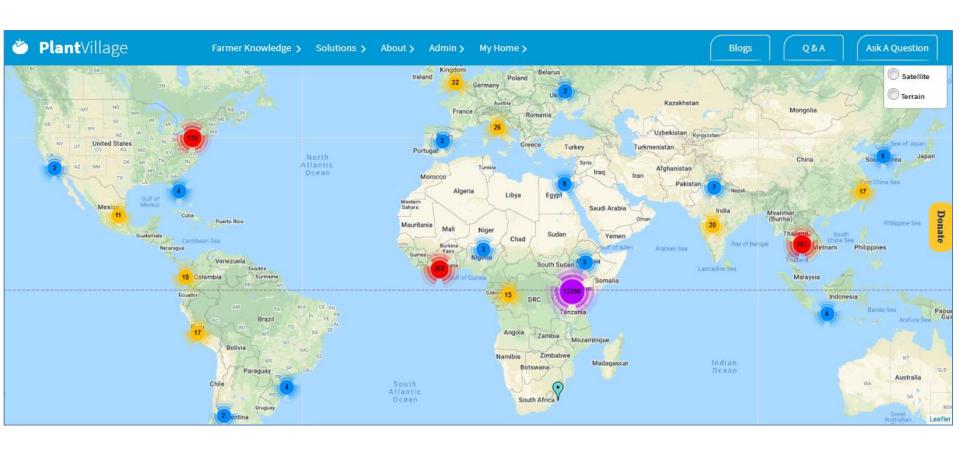
Trained using thousands of images of healthy, diseased and miteinfested cassava leaves from different cassava varieties.



Nuru can differentiate healthy and diseased/infested plants.



Users of Nuru - Cassava Al





What can Nuru do?



The Cassava AI - PlantVillage Nuru

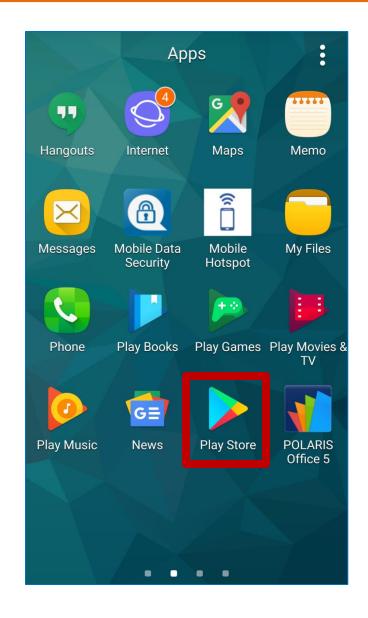


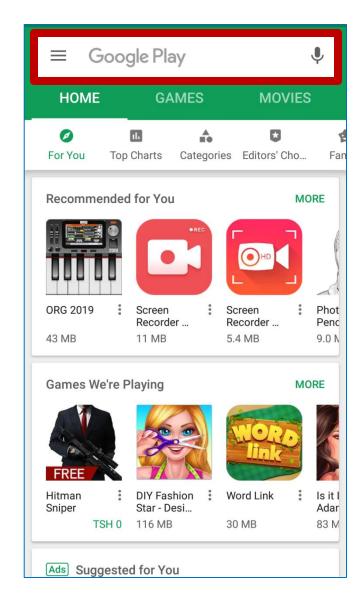
- Determine presence of diseases symptoms or pest on the crop (CMD, CBSD and CGM-damage).
- 2. Gives feedback (real-time)
- Shows you the symptoms of the disease/symptoms it has recognize (teaching tool)
- 4. Give you advice on management and/or control practices for the disease/pest it has recognize

All this can be done in absence of internet connection



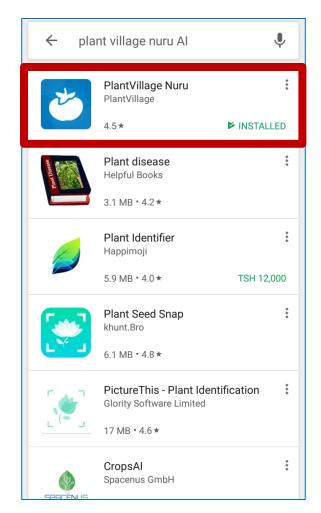
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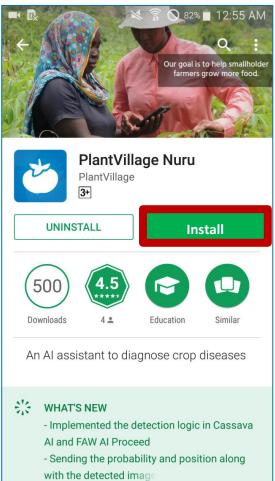


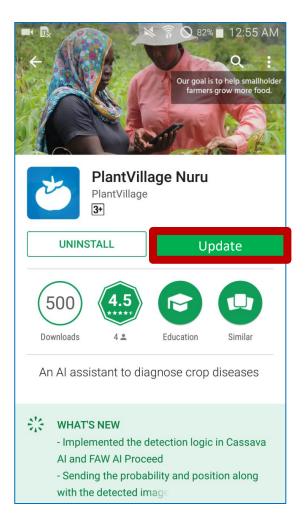




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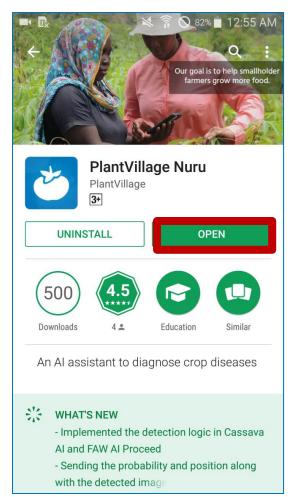








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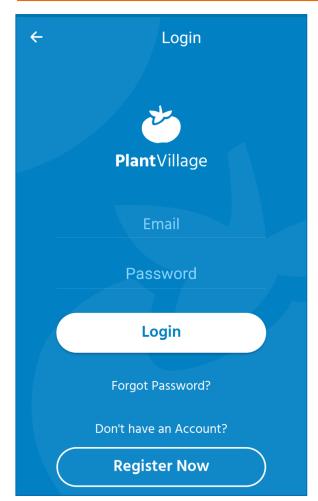
PlantVillage is a public good resource built at Penn State University. The goal of PlantVillage is to help farmers around the world access knowledge on crop health and make decisions that can improve the amount of food they grow and their ability to get that food to market for a fair price that helps farmers improve their livelihood.

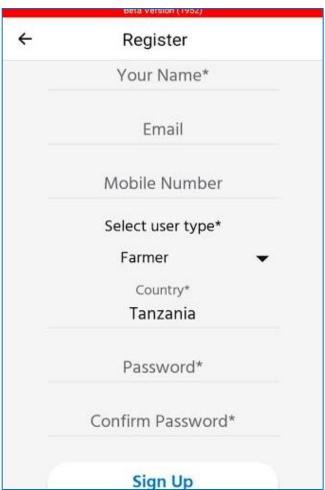
In this app, you will receive advice on what to do on your farm. This advice is provided to you via scientists at UN FAO, CGIAR as well as from published material from non-profit groups like

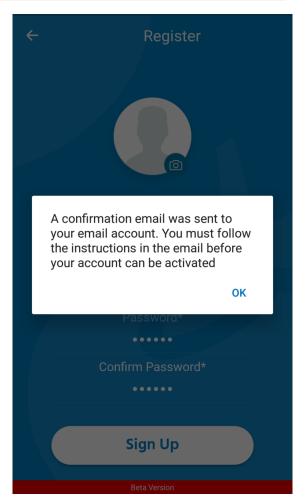
I Agree



Cassava AI - Features

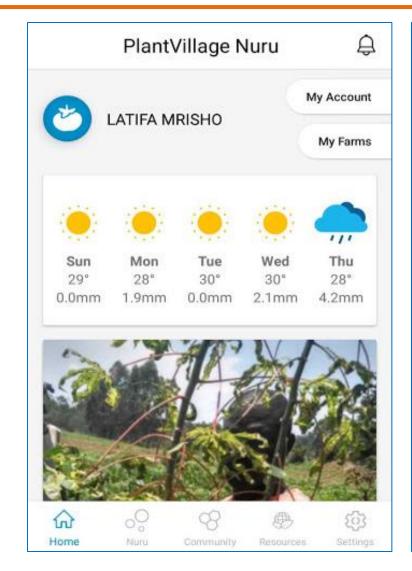








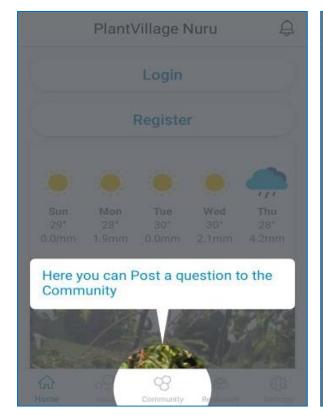
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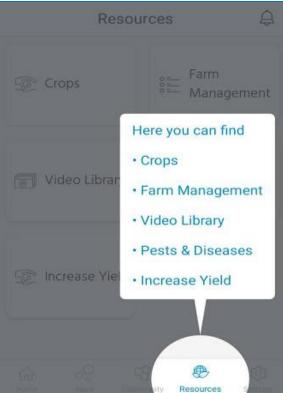


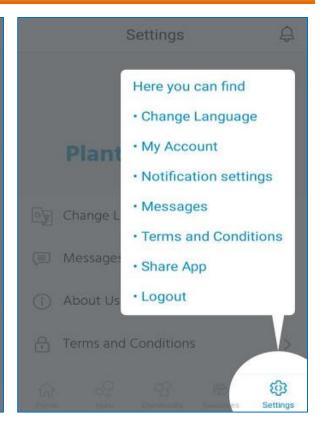




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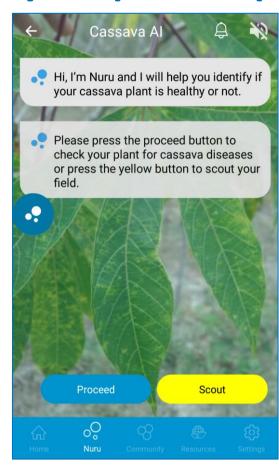






Check your plants options

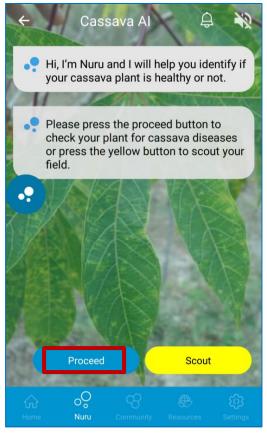


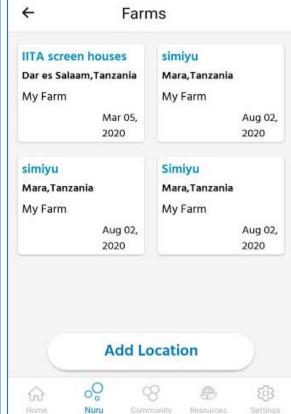


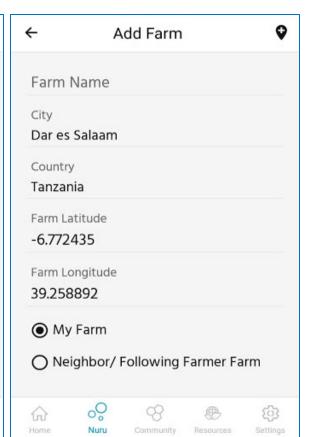




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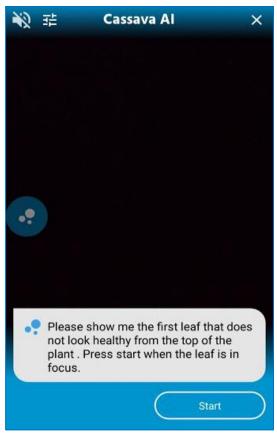


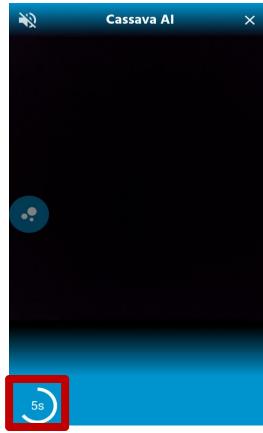
Adding farms





Whole plant diagnosis





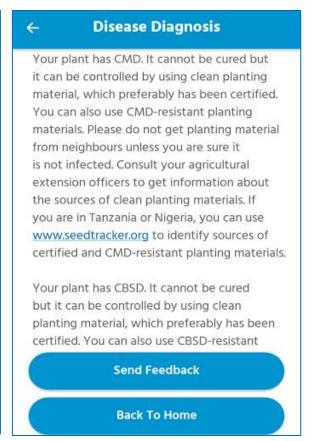




Whole plant diagnosis







The connecting with SeedTracker requires you to be connected to the internet



6 LEAVES DIAGNOSIS





'Field inspection' option





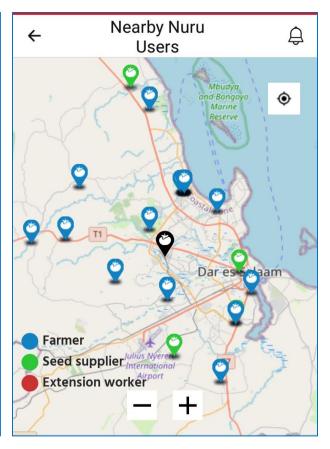




Field inspection











1. Time

- Reflection of sunlight makes the leaves appear shiny and may lead to failure of diagnosis or misdiagnosis.
- Early morning (before 10 am) or late afternoon (after 4 pm)

2. Leaf selection

- Make sure you select leaves that appear to be unhealthy to give
 Nuru higher chances of identifying the diseases in your plant.
- Make sure the leaf is focused and you hold the phone steady during diagnosis (hold the leaf on your palm when necessary).



3. Disease type or severity

- Mild infections are not easily identified
- Bacterial infections, fungal infections and nutrient deficiencies can also not be identified





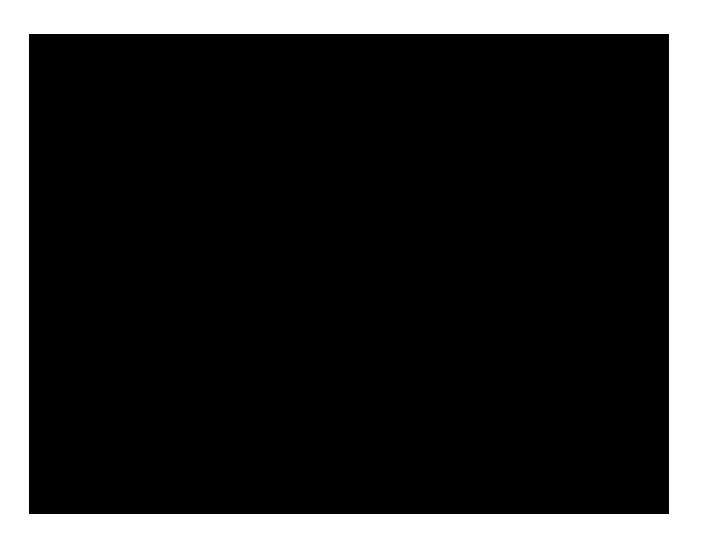
There is possibility of adding more diseases/conditions depends on availability of funds



4. Type of phone

- Android phone ≥ 2 GB RAM Technology developments allows for smaller apps >> more affordable phones
- Sensitivity of the camera Newer versions of smart phones tend to have more sensitive cameras (test the phones before purchasing bulk orders)
- Nuru is continuously being updated to account for the changes in phone capabilities



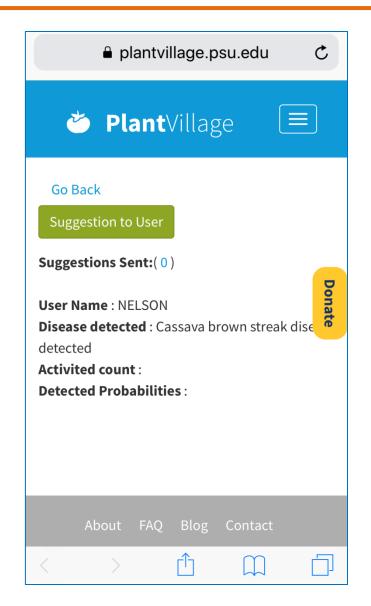


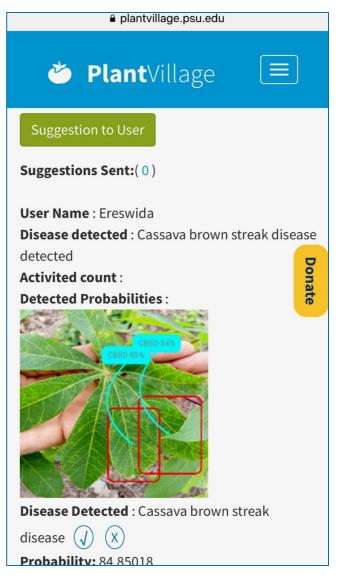


Diagnosis feedback



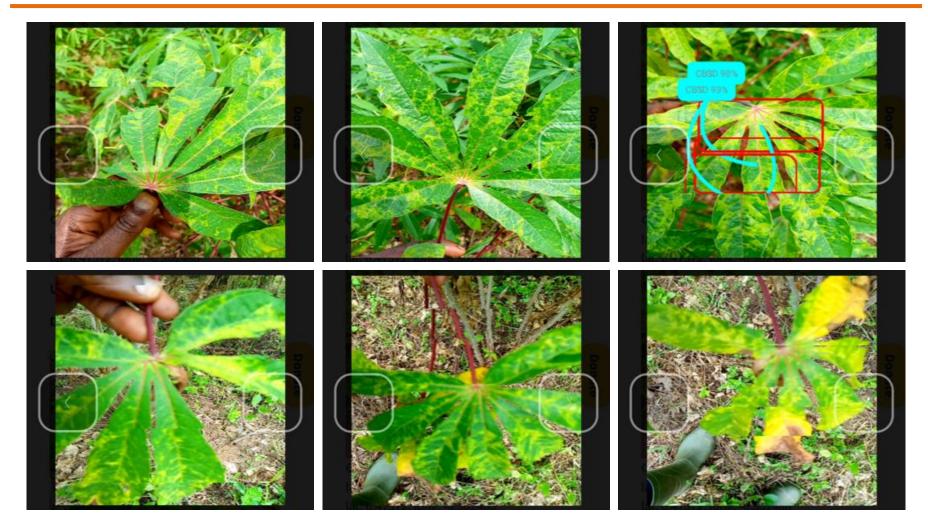
PLANTVILLAGE DATABASE







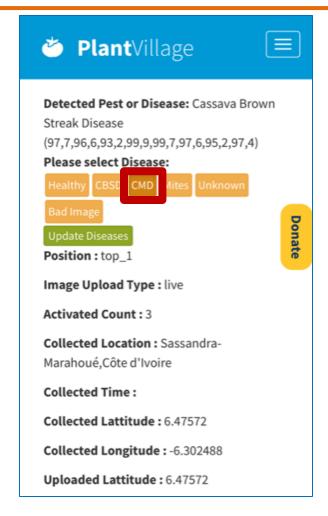
Cassava AI – Expert view

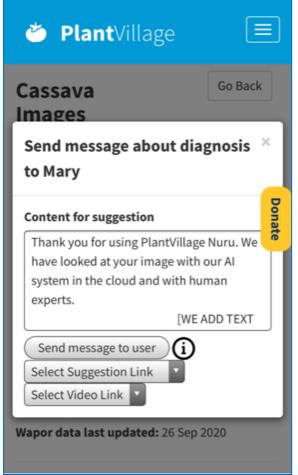


The images uploaded in the database are used to improve diagnostic capability of Nuru hence do your best to use Nuru while connected to the internet



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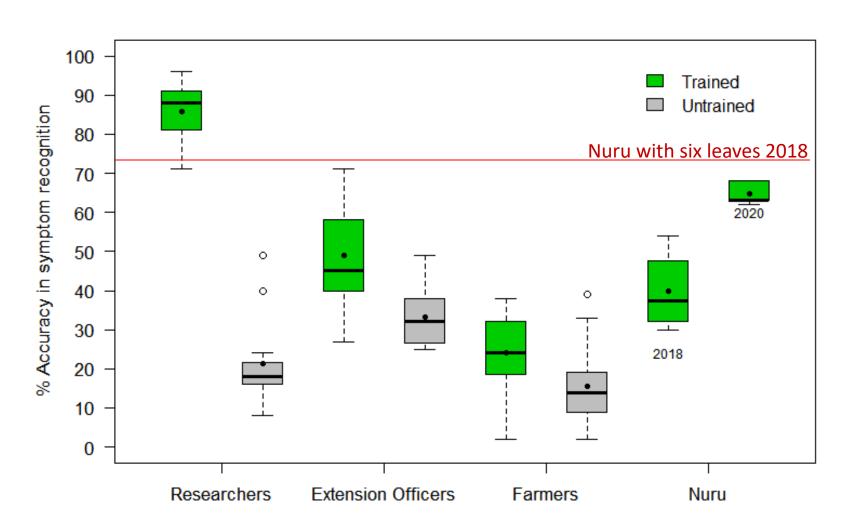
Only possible if you use Nuru while connected to the Internet, so please opt for this method.



How effective is the cassava Al



Ability of different groups to identify symptoms of cassava diseases on leaves



Refer Article: mrisho et al. 2020





Thank you!













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