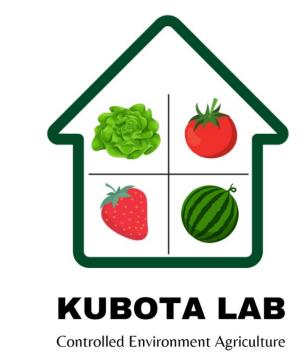


# Vegetable Grafting





# What is grafting?

- Surgical combination of 2 plants
- "Frankenstein" plants
- Receive beneficial traits of both parts

## Why Graft?

- Increased yield
- Disease resistance
- Improved nutrient uptake
- Environmental stress tolerance
  - Drought
  - Salinity
  - Flooding
  - Chilling
  - Heat

## Scion (shoot system)





### Common scions



### Common rootstocks







Bottle gourd



Wild watermelon

Squash/pumpkin