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The CITAS Story on a Multidisciplinary Approach in Disease Detection in Agriculture for Developing Countries

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In 2013, the Philippine California Advanced Research Institute (PCARI) was established with the goal of providing opportunities for advanced research to be established in the Philippines. The Cloud based Intelligent Total Analysis System has been developed as a platform that collects, analyses, models and visualizes results obtained from wireless sensor networks and mobile microscopy. CITAS provides a Smart Farm approach to address the problem of Fusarium Oxysporum Cubense s.p. TR4, more commonly called Panama Wilt, a fungal pathogen that affects cavendish cultivars and is becoming widespread in banana farms in the Philippines.

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