

# ACR in Practice My Fruit

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### Why Dynamic CA (ACR)?



- Prevent scald & other oxidation problems
- Maintain the premium harvest quality during the storage & shelf-life
- Extend market availability window
- Sustainability of the technical equipment & energy consumption





## **Advanced Control of Respiration**

The system measures respiration rate, calculates Respiratory Quotient (RQ) in full loaded CA stores and automatically adjusts O<sub>2</sub> level within a safe range based on the fruits physiological behavior.



Goal: Store fruits at the beneficial lowest O<sub>2</sub> level

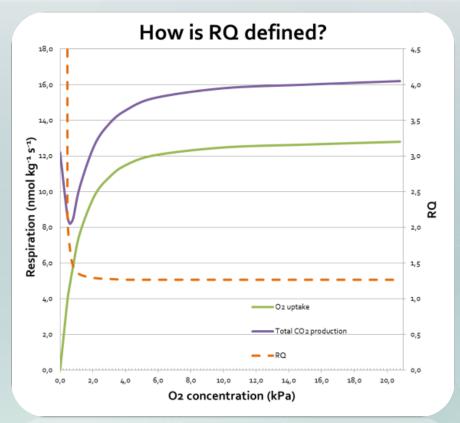


Method: My Fruit Dynamic software measures O<sub>2</sub> & CO<sub>2</sub> change during a time frame





### **Background of RQ**



### Respiratory Quotient:

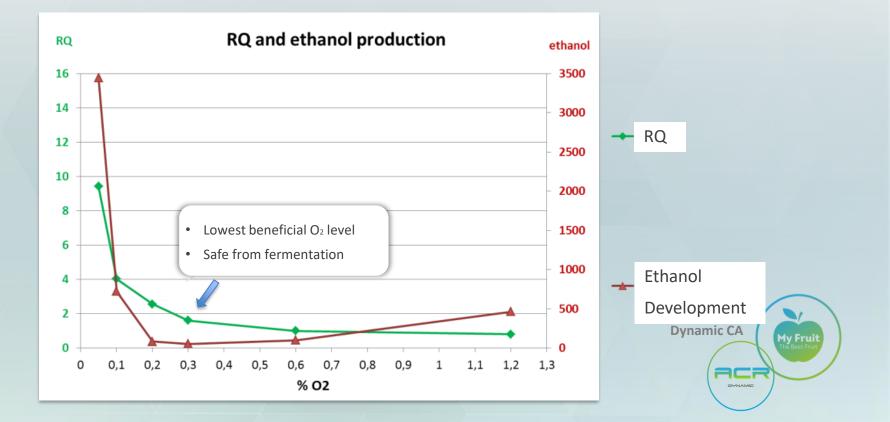
 $RQ = \frac{[produced CO_2]}{[O_2 taken up]}$ 



O2 concentration (kPa)

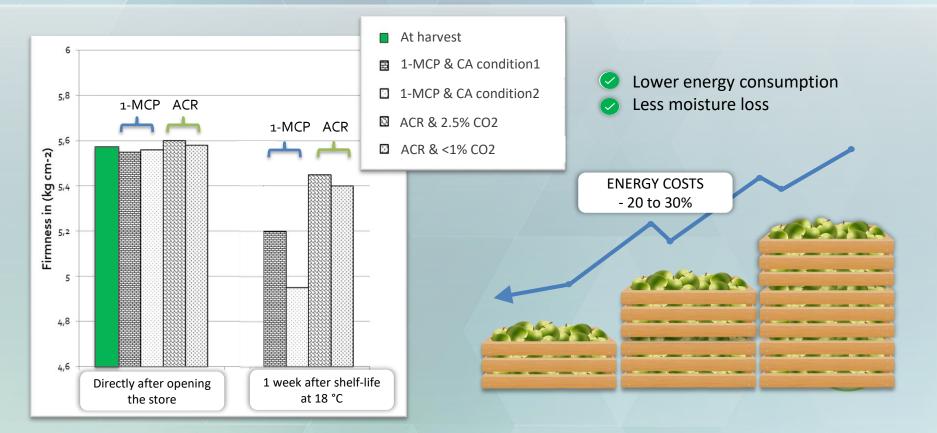


### **RQ: Early warning fermentation**





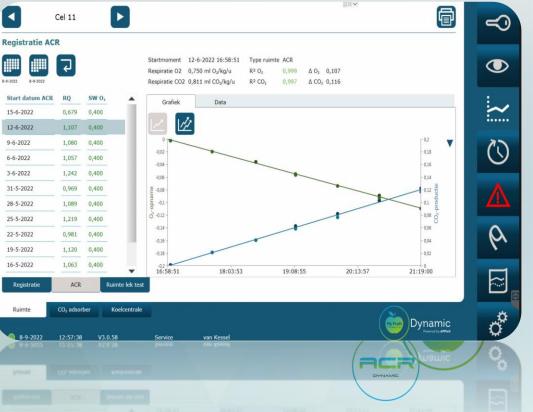
## **Benefits on fruits & energy saving**





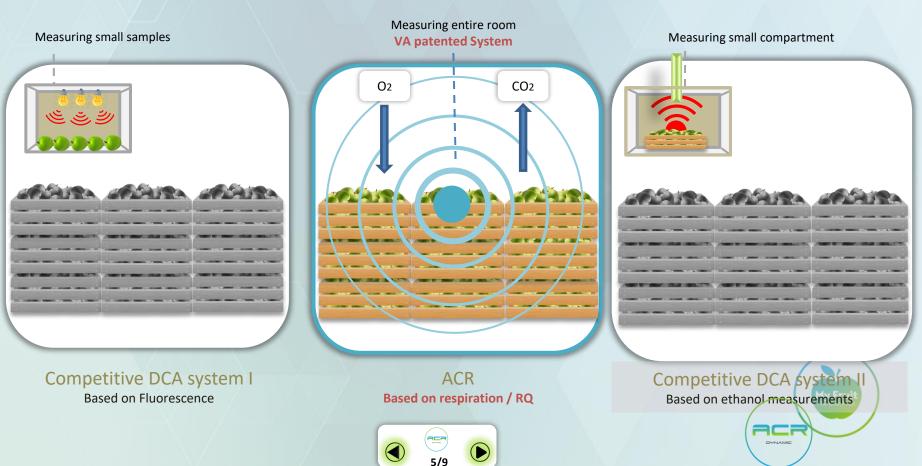
### **Process of ACR in My Fruit**

- Temporarily shut off cooling & CA activity
- Increase room pressure to ±10 mm WC
- Typical run 4 hrs
- 7 data points for  $O_2$  and  $CO_2$
- Two measuring points per room
- 2-3 runs weekly, per room



#### **DCA comparison**





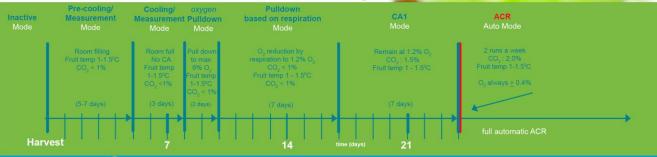
### Protocols



Generic Protocol Red Delicious, Jonagold, Gala, Golden Delicious, Top Red, Jonagored, Granny Smith



#### Dynamic ACR





\* Moisture loss 1.5 - 2.5 liters per ton / per month \* At start pulldown, max T product = 1.5°C \*

Please, note that this is a generic protocol. Conditioning can vary from region to region, and amongst others, will depend on the growing history in terms of wheather conditions/climate and soil. Ask advice from a local university or research station. Van Amerongen is only the provider of CA technology. Local scientists however have in-depth knowledge on fruit physiology and storage experience.





### Novo South Africa

#### 23 ACR Rooms

Cooling control integrated

Storage capacity of 10.500 ton apples







### CA Research Facility WUR PPO

7 CA Testing Rooms & 8 CA lab containers

Cooling control integrated

Waterloss management

Built in 2022









### **Blijderveen Fruit Netherlands**



36 CA Rooms (8 ACR Rooms)

17 new rooms later

**Apples and Pears** 

