

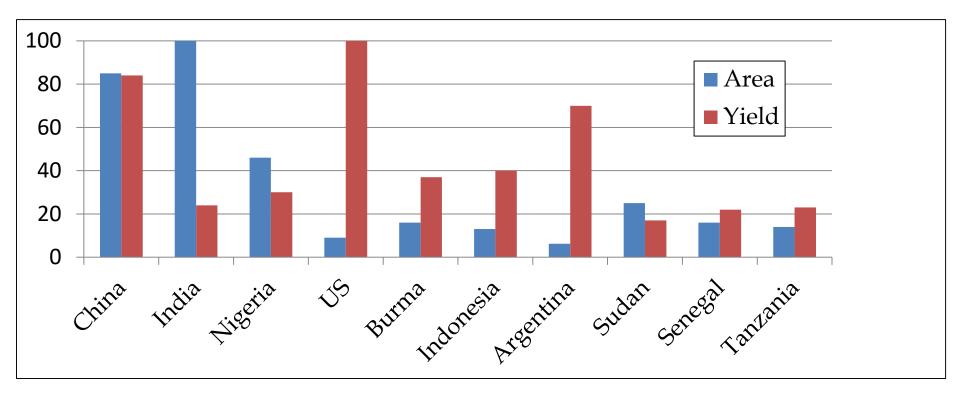
# Groundnut Farming Overview and Varieties

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## Relative Distribution of Harvested Peanut Land Area (Percent of India) and Relative Yield per Unit Area (Percent of US)



Fletcher and Shi. 2016. An overview of world peanut markets. Pages 267-287 in Stalker and Wilson, eds. *Peanuts: Genetics, Processing, and Utilization*. AOCS Press, Elsevier.





### The Genetic by Environment by Management by Business by Government Interaction

- Genetics (variation across crops and within crops)
- <u>Environment</u> (water, temperature, extremes in temperature, sunlight, pests, nutrients, others)
- <u>Management</u> (avoiding, buffering, and optimizing the G x E Interaction)
- <u>Business</u> (projected income, cost of production, and marketing)
- <u>Government</u> (price supports, import restrictions, market access, trade agreements, subsidies)











# **Crop Rotation**

- Markets
- Biological effects of cropping systems
- Economic effects of cropping systems
- Capital investment
- Third-party access
- Suitable land for all crops
- Crop rotation and crop diversity are luxuries in some areas of production





### **Production Costs**

- Variable costs
  - Seed
  - Fertilizer
  - Pest management
  - Energy
  - Labor
- Fixed costs
  - Equipment (depreciation and interest on investments)
- Infrastructure costs
  - Buying points, drying and storage, grain elevators, processing facilities, transportation, storage





### Estimated Budgets for Peanut Production in India and Ghana

India		Ghana		
Input	Percent	Input	Percent	
Labor	47	Labor	91	
Seed	28	Plowing	9	
Fertilizer	16			
Insecticide	2			
Irrigation	4			
Interest	3			

Jangid et al. 2016. Comparative Analysis of Groundnut Growing States in Western India. *Advances in Social Research*. 2:1-6. Mochia and Abudulai. 2016. Personal communication, Ghana, West Africa.



#### **Estimated Budgets for Peanut Production in United States and Argentina**

United Sta	ates	Argentina		
Item	Percent	Item	Percent	
Seed	14	Seed	14	
Fertilizer	7	Planting	4	
Inoculant	1	Herbicides	9	
Lime	3	Fungicides	8	
Gypsum	3	Spraying	4	
Herbicides	8	Digging	4	
Insecticides	3	Harvesting	8	
Fungicides	13	Transport	8	
Scouting	3	Land rent	40	
Hauling	4	Administration	1	
Dry and clean	14			
Check off	1			
National	1			
Crop insurance	5			
Tractor/machinery	9			
Labor	8		FROM THE AMERICAN PEOP	
Interest	2			

Bullen et al. 2016. North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service. AG-331. Morichetti. 2016. Personal communication, Argentina.



### Where does Malawi fit now?

### What are the possibilities in 5 to 10 years?

### What does it take to be sustainable?





# **Steps to sustainability** Improve genetic potential Protect soil resources

Determine weak links in supply/value chain and invest in solutions

- Supply what market demands
- Enable technology adoption





# **Variety Selection**

- Market demand
- Yield potential
- Dependability of yield
- Time from planting to optimum maturity
- Disease and rosette resistance
- Drought tolerance
- Haulm production



























# Yield Potential of Varieties in Malawi

- CG7 most popular, Virginia Chitala Baka CG12
- Chalimbana Nsinjiro





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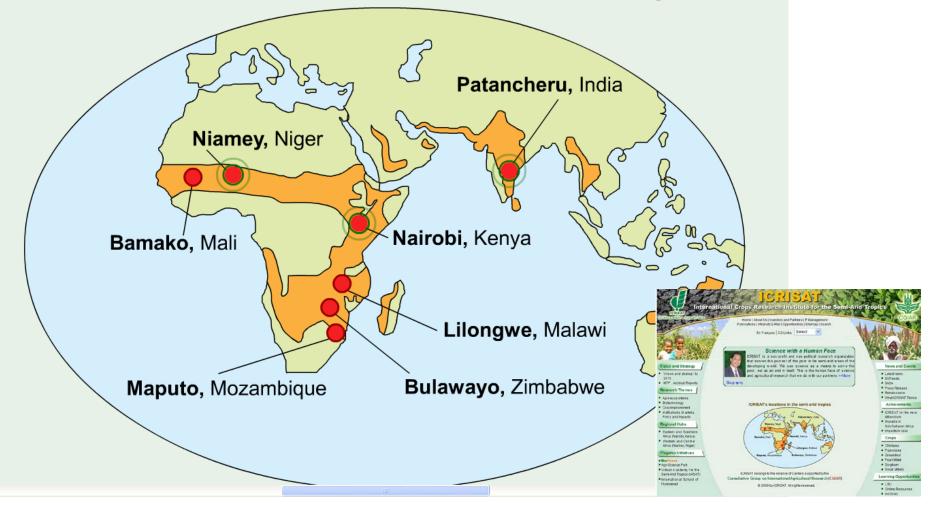
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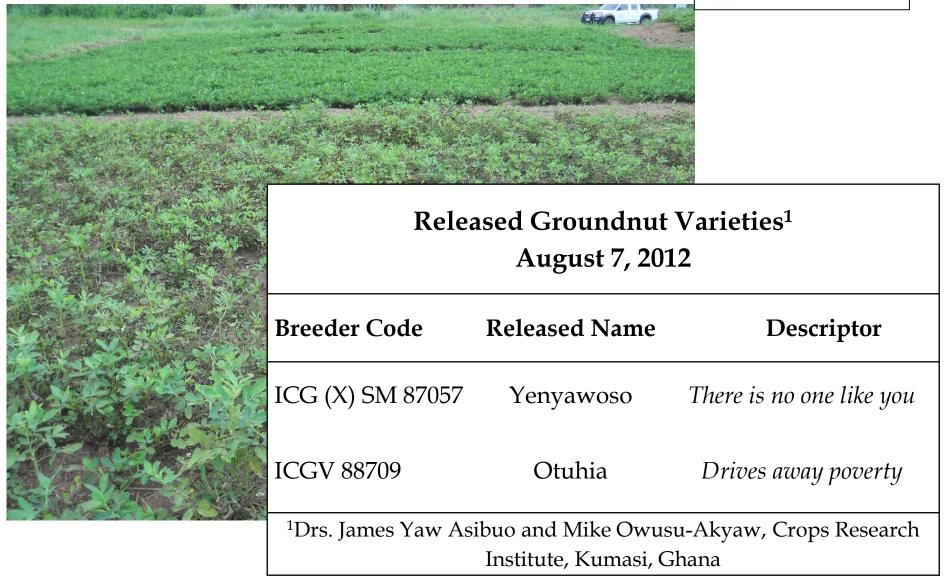




















### Variety Comparison in Ghana

Cultivar	Days to 50% flowering	Days to pod maturity	Meat content	Seed weight	Seed yield
	No.	No.	%	g/100 seed	kg/ha
Otuhia	27 b	105 ab	71 a	71 a	2,140 b
Yenyawoso	23d	90 c	72 a	64 c	2,350 a
Adepa	28 ab	106 a	65 b	65 c	1,920 c
FMIX 20-1-45	27 b	104 b	67 b	69 ab	1,900 c
GK 7 High Oleic	29 a	106 a	65 b	67 bc	1,900 c
Konkoma	24 c	90 c	59 c	54 d	1,160 d
RRR-MDR-8-16	27 b	106 a	65 b	68 abc	1,940 c
P>F	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
CV (%)	3.3	1.0	4.0	5.2	FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPL



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