



New Challenges in Productivity of Berry Fruits

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Strawberries are grown around the globe across many different environments and growing systems. Productivity and economic returns vary significantly from country to country and region to region. Yields range from 10 tons per ha up to more than 50 tons per ha, depending on the cultivar, plant agronomy, and the weather. The cost of harvesting is high compared with many other horticultural crops and profitability can be severely reduced by poor fruit quality and low marketable yields. Research is required to maintain or even increase profitability using new growing systems. These new growing systems might help the commercial industry mitigate some of the impacts of climate change in the future.





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