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# Plántulas de Esperanza



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Our goal – cultivars and seed adapted to small-scale low-input rural agriculture



## Jaime – leading a discussion



## Impacts

- Identified tomato cultivars with virus resistance desirable market characteristics
- The cultivars are being grown and sold by women's groups

**BUT!** As seedlings, not as seeds



## Drying beads Inter-CRSPing



Technology to Dry seeds for Longer term storage

Rhino Research and **Kent Bradford**



Scion resistant to virus

Rootstock resistant to root pathogens, i.e. Ralstonia

## Zamorano and Madison, WI based workshops – learn to graft

- Matt Kleinhenz – Ohio State Univ
- Willie Chen – AVRDC, Taiwan



Original business model:  
Women's groups sell flats of virus resistant seedlings.

**New business model:**  
Women's group sell flats of added-value grafted plants