How does a Finapp probe work?

CRNS means Cosmic Ray Neutron Sensing, i.e. detection of cosmic neutrons.

The neutros arrive from space and interact with water present in the ground. Some are absorbed, others escape and travel into the air. These neutrons are the messengers that tell us how much water is present in the soil in a specific area.

Finapp translates neutrons into numbers so that anyone can understand their message.

This is the CRNS technology.

Why should I use a finapp probe?

→ Current technologies do not allow to really know soil moisture.

Punctual probes provide fairly accurate data but valid for a couple of meters, however, soil moisture values can vary by as much as 30% in less than 100m. A single punctual data, therefore, does not provide valid information for an entire soil. The satellite provides large-scale data, but it does not penetrate the soil except for a couple of cm. Therefore, it does not get information on moisture deep down, where plant roots draw water.

Finapp provides large-scale, in-depth soil moisture knowledge.

This allows you to irrigate correctly, never to miss a beat!

- No waste of water
- 2 Economic savings
- 3 Higher yield: +20% approx.
- **4 Higher quality**: the crop is never under water stress
- 5 It prevents the growth of fungus and moulds

Is CRNS technology reliable?

Sure it is! CRNS technology has been used for almost 20 years and is approved by the scientific community, it's not a Finapp invention.

The FAO says that CRNS technology is the best actually available to practicing "smart agriculture."

What as Finapp made innovative?

Finapp has optimized the CRNS technology, reducing size, costs and weight, fitting it in a little and versatile probe (covered by numerous patents).







What does Finapp do for agriculture?

- → Finapp provides: **SOIL MOISTURE**
 - On large scale to 20ha
 - In depth 50 cm
 - In real time
 - Not invasive

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- Insensitivity to soil texture, density, salinity
- Gravimetric or volumetric data

With a single probe:

- Lightweight and compact
- Installable anywhere, does not require connection to the power grid or a level ground.
- Positioned 2m above the ground, so as not to interfere with the agricultural activities!

Who we are

Finapp is an innovative startup, a spin-off of the University of Padua/Italy.



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