

# cv. 'Rumba' and 'Opera' Strawberry Variety Trials.



- Varieties are both 'June-bearing' (short day)
- From the 'Fresh Forward' strawberry breeding programme
- Originally FF bred 'Elsanta'.
- FF = 6 of largest Dutch propagators
- New varieties every 2-3 years

## This experiment

- Crop is grown in coir (cocoa peat)
- Medium tray plants
- Planted 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017
- Planted at 10 plants m<sup>2</sup>



## Potential impacts

- '**Opera**' mid season....large fruit/grooved
- Flavour...good but more tart
- Higher % of Class 1 fruit
- '**Rumba**'...more suited to outside??
- Large fruit...can be soft..high chill needed!