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POTATOES

VARIETIES AND STEM CANKER

Object: To study the effects of stem canker (*Rhizoctonia solani*) on plant growth and yield of a range of early and maincrop potato varieties using chitted and unchitted seed - Gt. Knott II.

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Design: Early varieties: 3 randomised blocks of 20 plots.
Maincrop varieties: 3 randomised blocks of 28 plots.

Whole plot dimensions: 3.0 x 10.7.

Treatments:

To EARLY varieties, all combinations of:-

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| 1. VARIETY | Varieties: |
| A COMET | Arran Comet |
| ESTIMA | Estima |
| M PEER | Maris Peer |
| U PRINCE | Ulster Prince |
| U SCEPTR | Ulster Sceptre |
| 2. INOCULUM | Inoculum to seed at planting: |
| NONE | None |
| RHIZOCT | R. solani inoculum |
| 3. SD TREAT | Seed treatment: |
| NONE | |
| CHITTED | |

To MAINCROP varieties, all combinations of:-

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| 1. VARIETY | Varieties: |
| CARA | Cara |
| DESIREE | Desiree |
| K EDWARD | King Edward |
| M PIPER | Maris Piper |
| P CROWN | Pentland Crown |
| P SQUIRE | Pentland Squire |
| RECORD | Record |
| 2. INOCULUM | Inoculum to seed at planting: |
| NONE | None |
| RHIZOCT | R. solani inoculum |

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3. SD TREAT Seed treatment:

NONE
CHITTED

NOTE: *Rhizoctonia inoculum* was grown on horticultural vermiculite and sprinkled over seed tubers at planting before covering.

Basal applications: Manures: FYM at 45 t. (10:10:15+4.5 Mg) at 1960 kg.
Weedkillers: Linuron at 1.3 kg with paraquat at 0.50 kg ion in 500 l.
Fungicide: Fentin hydroxide at 0.28 kg in 200 l on seven occasions, applied with the insecticide on the first and third occasion.
Insecticide: Pirimicarb at 0.14 kg on two occasions. Desiccant: Diquat at 0.56 kg ion in 200 l.

Cultivations, etc:- Subsoiled, tines 45 cm deep, 76 cm apart: 6 Oct, 1983.
FYM applied: 4 Nov. Ploughed: 9 Nov. NPK Mg applied, heavy spring-tine cultivated: 23 Mar, 1984. Rotary harrowed: 10 Apr. Early potatoes planted by hand: 11 Apr. Maincrop potatoes planted by hand: 12 Apr. Weedkillers applied: 4 May. Fungicide with insecticide applied: 19 June, 17 July. Fungicide alone applied: 3 July, 30 July, 13 Aug, 28 Aug, 11 Sept. Haulm desiccant applied: 4 Oct. Lifted: 16 Oct. Previous crops: S. barley 1982, w. oats 1983.

NOTE: Plant samples were taken on four occasions to assess stem canker, weight of foliage and weight and numbers of tubers.

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TOTAL TUBERS TONNES/HECTARE

***** TABLES OF MEANS *****

INOCULUM VARIETY	NONE	RHIZOCT	MEAN
A COMET	24.3	22.5	23.4
ESTIMA	33.3	30.8	32.1
M PEER	20.3	17.2	18.7
U PRINCE	19.8	16.9	18.3
U SCEPTR	22.1	19.3	20.7

MEAN 24.0 21.3 22.7

SD TREAT VARIETY	NONE	CHITTED	MEAN
A COMET	23.9	23.0	23.4
ESTIMA	32.4	31.7	32.1
M PEER	17.7	19.8	18.7
U PRINCE	18.0	18.6	18.3
U SCEPTR	20.3	21.2	20.7

MEAN 22.5 22.8 22.7

SD TREAT INOCULUM	NONE	CHITTED	MEAN
NONE	23.6	24.3	24.0
RHIZOCT	21.3	21.4	21.3

MEAN 22.5 22.8 22.7

INOCULUM SD TREAT VARIETY	NONE	CHITTED	RHIZOCT NONE	CHITTED
A COMET	24.3	24.4	23.5	21.5
ESTIMA	34.2	32.4	30.7	31.0
M PEER	18.9	21.8	16.5	17.8
U PRINCE	19.3	20.2	16.8	16.9
U SCEPTR	21.5	22.8	19.1	19.5

***** STANDARD ERRORS OF DIFFERENCES OF MEANS *****

TABLE	VARIETY	INOCULUM	SD TREAT	VARIETY INOCULUM
SED	1.44	0.91	0.91	2.03

TABLE	VARIETY SD TREAT	INOCULUM SD TREAT	VARIETY INOCULUM SD TREAT
SED	2.03	1.29	2.88

***** STRATUM STANDARD ERRORS AND COEFFICIENTS OF VARIATION *****

STRATUM	DF	SE	CV%
BLOCK.WP	38	3.52	15.5

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PERCENTAGE WARE 4.44CM (1.75 INCH) RIDDLE

***** TABLES OF MEANS *****

INOCULUM VARIETY	NONE	RHIZOCT	MEAN
A COMET	39.7	65.5	52.6
ESTIMA	77.0	84.0	80.5
M PEER	32.3	50.5	41.4
U PRINCE	65.3	80.3	72.8
U SCEPTR	42.5	67.5	55.0
MEAN	51.4	69.6	60.5

SD TREAT VARIETY	NONE	CHITTED	MEAN
A COMET	50.7	54.5	52.6
ESTIMA	80.9	80.2	80.5
M PEER	41.9	40.9	41.4
U PRINCE	78.1	67.5	72.8
U SCEPTR	53.5	56.5	55.0
MEAN	61.0	59.9	60.5

SD TREAT INOCULUM	NONE	CHITTED	MEAN
NONE	54.6	48.1	51.4
RHIZOCT	67.4	71.7	69.6
MEAN	61.0	59.9	60.5

INOCULUM SD TREAT VARIETY	NONE	CHITTED	RHIZOCT NONE	CHITTED
A COMET	35.1	44.2	66.2	64.7
ESTIMA	79.8	74.3	82.0	86.0
M PEER	39.7	24.9	44.1	56.9
U PRINCE	74.8	55.8	81.4	79.2
U SCEPTR	43.9	41.1	63.1	71.9

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00103

84/R/P/1 MAIN CROP POTATOES

TOTAL TUBERS TONNES/HECTARE

***** TABLES OF MEANS *****

INOCULUM VARIETY	NONE	RHIZOCT	MEAN
CARA	47.7	43.0	45.4
DESIREE	29.3	27.4	28.3
K EDWARD	32.1	25.9	29.0
M PIPER	30.1	28.4	29.2
P CROWN	44.4	39.3	41.9
P SQUIRE	40.4	32.9	36.6
RECORD	25.5	22.2	23.9
MEAN	35.6	31.3	33.5

SD TREAT VARIETY	NONE	CHITTED	MEAN
CARA	43.8	46.9	45.4
DESIREE	29.5	27.2	28.3
K EDWARD	27.9	30.1	29.0
M PIPER	29.3	29.2	29.2
P CROWN	41.6	42.2	41.9
P SQUIRE	37.6	35.7	36.6
RECORD	24.3	23.5	23.9
MEAN	33.4	33.5	33.5

SD TREAT INOCULUM	NONE	CHITTED	MEAN
NONE	35.7	35.6	35.6
RHIZOCT	31.1	31.5	31.3
MEAN	33.4	33.5	33.5

INOCULUM SD TREAT VARIETY	NONE	CHITTED	RHIZOCT NONE	CHITTED
CARA	46.8	48.6	40.8	45.2
DESIREE	30.7	27.9	28.3	26.4
K EDWARD	31.6	32.6	24.2	27.5
M PIPER	29.0	31.2	29.6	27.2
P CROWN	43.9	45.0	39.3	39.4
P SQUIRE	41.9	38.9	33.2	32.5
RECORD	26.3	24.8	22.2	22.2

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TOTAL TUBERS TONNES/HECTARE

***** STANDARD ERRORS OF DIFFERENCES OF MEANS *****

TABLE	VARIETY	INOCULUM	SD TREAT	VARIETY INOCULUM
SED	1.71	0.91	0.91	2.42

TABLE	VARIETY SD TREAT	INOCULUM SD TREAT	VARIETY INOCULUM SD TREAT
SED	2.42	1.29	3.42

***** STRATUM STANDARD ERRORS AND COEFFICIENTS OF VARIATION *****

STRATUM	DF	SE	CV%
BLOCK.WP	54	4.19	12.5

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PERCENTAGE WARE 4.44CM (1.75 INCH) RIDDLE

***** TABLES OF MEANS *****

INOCULUM VARIETY	NONE	RHIZOCT	MEAN
CARA	90.3	91.4	90.9
DESIREE	77.9	78.5	78.2
K EDWARD	49.9	55.1	52.5
M PIPER	72.3	72.9	72.6
P CROWN	91.2	91.5	91.4
P SQUIRE	90.8	89.1	90.0
RECORD	65.0	68.7	66.8
MEAN	76.8	78.2	77.5

SD TREAT VARIETY	NONE	CHITTED	MEAN
CARA	90.1	91.6	90.9
DESIREE	78.9	77.5	78.2
K EDWARD	51.4	53.5	52.5
M PIPER	70.8	74.4	72.6
P CROWN	91.4	91.3	91.4
P SQUIRE	88.7	91.2	90.0
RECORD	67.8	65.9	66.8
MEAN	77.0	77.9	77.5

SD TREAT INOCULUM	NONE	CHITTED	MEAN
NONE	77.0	76.5	76.8
RHIZOCT	77.0	79.4	78.2
MEAN	77.0	77.9	77.5

INOCULUM SD TREAT VARIETY	NONE	CHITTED	RHIZOCT NONE	CHITTED
CARA	90.0	90.6	90.2	92.6
DESIREE	79.3	76.5	78.5	78.6
K EDWARD	50.0	49.7	52.8	57.3
M PIPER	70.0	74.5	71.5	74.3
P CROWN	91.4	91.0	91.4	91.6
P SQUIRE	89.8	91.9	87.7	90.6
RECORD	68.7	61.3	66.9	70.5

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00103