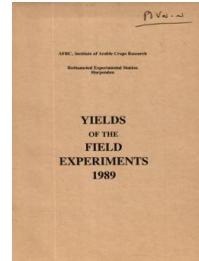


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WINTER OILSEED RAPE

STRAW TREATMENTS BEFORE SOWING

**Object:** To study the effects of a range of methods of treating cereal straw on the establishment and yield of w. oilseed rape sown on two dates, with and without seedbed N - Appletree.

**Sponsors:** R.J. Darby, D.P Yeoman.

**Design:** 3 randomised blocks of 6 plots split into 2 sub plots each split into 2 sub sub plots.

**Whole plot dimensions:** 6.0 x 31.0.

**Treatments:** All combinations of:-

Whole plots

1. STR DISP Disposal of straw:

BURN	Burnt 17 Aug, 1988
CHOP	Chopped 17 Aug
BALE	Baled 9 Aug and bales removed

2. CULTIVTN Method of primary cultivation, on 19 Aug, 1988:

TINE CULT	Tine cultivated, without inversion
PLOUGH	Ploughed

Sub plots

3. SOW DATE Dates of sowing:

25 AUG	25 Aug, 1988
8 SEPT	8 Sept

Sub sub plots

4. SDBED N Seedbed nitrogen (kg N) as 'Nitram' on 23 Aug, 1988:

0
50

**NOTES:** (1) All plots were rotary cultivated on 22 Aug, 1988.  
(2) CULTIVTN TINE CULT plots were cultivated twice by rotary grubber and CULTIVTN PLOUGH plots once on 24 Aug.  
(3) All plots were rotary harrowed and harrowed before drilling.  
All plots were harrowed in and rolled after drilling.

**Basal applications:** Manure: 'Nitram' at 440 kg. Weedkillers: Metazachlor at 1.2 kg with fluazifop-p-butyl at 0.19 kg and a wetting agent ('Enhance' at 0.26 l) in 260 l. Desiccant: Diquat at 0.60 kg ion with a wetting agent ('Agral' at 0.50 l) in 500 l.

**Seed:** Ariana, dressed gamma HCH, thiram and fenpropimorph, sown at 8.0 kg.

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**Cultivations, etc.:-** Weedkillers with wetting agent applied: 30 Sept, 1988. Basal N applied: 14 Feb, 1989. Desiccant with wetting agent applied: 11 July. Combine harvested: 17 July. Previous crops: W. wheat 1987, w. barley 1988.

**NOTE:** Emergence counts were made in autumn and plant counts in early March. Percentages of oil in the grain were measured.

**GRAIN (AT 90% DRY MATTER) TONNES/HECTARE**

\*\*\*\*\* Tables of means \*\*\*\*\*

CULTIVTN		TINE	CULT	PLOUGH	Mean
STR	DISP	BURN	1.84	2.16	2.00
		CHOP	1.56	2.23	1.90
		BALE	2.32	2.39	2.36
		Mean	1.91	2.26	2.08
SOW	DATE	25 AUG	8 SEPT		Mean
STR	DISP	BURN	1.75	2.24	2.00
		CHOP	1.77	2.02	1.90
		BALE	2.16	2.55	2.36
		Mean	1.90	2.27	2.08
SOW	DATE	25 AUG	8 SEPT		Mean
CULTIVTN		TINE	CULT	1.91	1.91
			PLOUGH	1.89	2.63
		Mean	1.90	2.27	2.08
SDBED	N		0	50	Mean
STR	DISP	BURN	1.86	2.13	2.00
		CHOP	1.83	1.97	1.90
		BALE	2.27	2.44	2.36
		Mean	1.99	2.18	2.08
SDBED	N		0	50	Mean
CULTIVTN		TINE	CULT	1.83	1.99
			PLOUGH	2.15	2.37
		Mean	1.99	2.18	2.08
SDBED	N		0	50	Mean
SOW	DATE	25 AUG	1.78	2.01	1.90
		8 SEPT	2.19	2.35	2.27
		Mean	1.99	2.18	2.08

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\*\*\*\*\* Tables of means \*\*\*\*\*

STR DISP	CULTIVTN	SOW DATE	25 AUG	8 SEPT
		TINE CULT	1.73	1.94
BURN	PLOUGH	1.76	2.55	
	TINE CULT	1.66	1.47	
CHOP	PLOUGH	1.89	2.57	
	TINE CULT	2.32	2.32	
BALE	PLOUGH	2.01	2.78	
	SDBED N	0	50	
STR DISP	CULTIVTN	SOW DATE	25 AUG	1.99
		PLOUGH	2.04	2.27
BURN	TINE CULT	1.53	1.60	
	PLOUGH	2.13	2.34	
CHOP	TINE CULT	2.27	2.37	
	PLOUGH	2.27	2.52	
STR DISP	SOW DATE	SDBED N	0	50
		BURN	1.70	1.80
CHOP	8 SEPT	2.02	2.46	
	25 AUG	1.57	1.98	
BALE	8 SEPT	2.08	1.95	
	25 AUG	2.07	2.26	
	8 SEPT	2.47	2.63	
CULTIVTN	SOW DATE	SDBED N	0	50
		TINE CULT	1.76	2.05
PLOUGH	8 SEPT	1.89	1.92	
	25 AUG	1.80	1.97	
	8 SEPT	2.49	2.77	
STR DISP	CULTIVTN	SDBED N	0	50
		TINE CULT	25 AUG	1.58
BURN	PLOUGH	8 SEPT	1.77	2.10
	TINE CULT	25 AUG	1.82	1.71
CHOP	PLOUGH	8 SEPT	2.27	2.83
	TINE CULT	25 AUG	1.44	1.88
BALE	PLOUGH	8 SEPT	1.61	1.32
	TINE CULT	25 AUG	1.70	2.09
	PLOUGH	8 SEPT	2.56	2.58
	TINE CULT	25 AUG	2.25	2.40
	PLOUGH	8 SEPT	2.29	2.34
	TINE CULT	25 AUG	1.88	2.13
	PLOUGH	8 SEPT	2.65	2.91

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\*\*\* Standard errors of differences of means \*\*\*

STR DISP	CULTIVTN	SOW DATE	SDBED N
0.216	0.176	0.072	0.071
STR DISP	STR DISP	CULTIVTN	STR DISP
CULTIVTN	SOW DATE	SOW DATE	SDBED N
0.306	0.234	0.191	0.233
Except when comparing means with the same level(s) of			
STR DISP	0.125		0.122
CULTIVTN		0.102	
CULTIVTN	SOW DATE	STR DISP	STR DISP
SDBED N	SDBED N	CULTIVTN	CULTIVTN
		SOW DATE	SDBED N
0.190	0.101	0.330	0.329
Except when comparing means with the same level(s) of			
CULTIVTN	0.100		
SOW DATE		0.100	
STR DISP.CULTIVTN		0.177	0.173
STR DISP	CULTIVTN	STR DISP	
SOW DATE	SOW DATE	CULTIVTN	
SDBED N	SDBED N	SOW DATE	
0.264	0.215	0.373	
Except when comparing means with the same level(s) of			
STR DISP	0.175		
CULTIVTN		0.143	
STR DISP.CULTIVTN			0.248
STR DISP.SOW DATE	0.173		
CULTIVTN.SOW DATE		0.141	
STR DISP.CULTIVTN.SDBED N			0.244

\*\*\*\*\* Stratum standard errors and coefficients of variation \*\*\*\*\*

Stratum	d.f.	s.e.	cv%
BLOCK.WP	10	0.374	18.0
BLOCK.WP.SP	12	0.217	10.4
BLOCK.WP.SP.SSP	24	0.299	14.4

GRAIN MEAN DM% 72.7

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00345