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#### EFFECTS OF SHALLOW STRAW INCORPORATION

Object: To study the effects of shallow straw incorporation on straw decomposition, toxin production, pests and diseases and on the establishment, growth and yield of winter wheat - West Barnfield I.

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The seventh year, w. wheat.

For previous years see 85-90/R/CS/311.

Design: Single replicate of 3 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2.

Whole plot dimensions: 9.0 x 57.0.

Treatments: Combinations of:-

Whole plots

1. STRAW Treatments to straw of previous wheat:

BURNT Burnt on 22 Aug, 1990

BALED Baled and removed on 21 Aug

CHOPPED Chopped on 22 Aug

CULTTIME Time of cultivation, to 10 cm depth:

EARLY Cultivated by rotary grubber on 23 Aug, 1990
LATER Cultivated by rotary grubber on 14 Sept

Sub plots

3. FUNGCIDE Fungicides:

O None

FULL Full programme:-

Triadimefon at 0.12 kg and carbendazim at 0.25 kg in

200 l on 3 Dec, 1990

Prochloraz at 0.40 kg and carbendazim at 0.15 kg in

200 l on 12 Apr, 1991

Propiconazole at 0.12 kg with chlorothalonil at

0.50 kg in 200 l on 20 June

4. INSCTCDE Insecticides:

O None

CYP+PIR Cypermethrin at 25 g in 200 l on 6 Nov, 1990 Pirimicarb at 0.14 kg in 200 l on 2 July, 1991

5. MOLLCIDE Molluscicide:

0 None

METHCARB Methiocarb at 0.22 kg on 11 Oct, 1990

NOTE: STRAW BURNT plots were disced the day after burning.

Basal applications: Manures: 'Nitram' at 120 kg and later at 580 kg. Weedkillers: Glyphosate at 0.18 kg and later at 1.4 kg, both in 200 l. Tri-allate at 2.2 kg. Bifenox at 0.95 kg and chlorotoluron at 3.5 kg in 200 l.

Seed: Haven, sown at 190 kg.

Cultivations, etc.:- First glyphosate applied: 8 Oct, 1990. Rotary harrowed, seed sown: 10 Oct. Tri-allate applied: 2 Nov. Bifenox and chlorotoluron applied: 13 Nov. First N applied: 4 Mar, 1991. Second N applied: 5 Apr. Second glyphosate applied: 13 Aug. Combine harvested: 20 Aug.

NOTE: Growth was measured and incidence of pests and diseases was assessed at intervals during the season. Ears of volunteers were counted prior to harvest and components of yield were measured.

#### GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

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

CULTTIME	EARLY	LATER	Mean
STRAW			
BURNT	8.84	8.42	8.63
BALED	9.00	9.23	9.11
CHOPPED	8.78	8.23	8.51
Mean	8.87	8.63	8.75
FUNGCIDE	0	FULL	Mean
STRAW			
BURNT	7.71	9.55	8.63
BALED	8.39	9.84	9.11
CHOPPED	7.66	9.35	8.51
Mean	7.92	9.58	8.75
FUNGCIDE	. 0	FULL	Mean
CULTTIME			
EARLY	8.17	9.57	8.87
LATER	7.66	9.59	8.63
Mean	7.92	9.58	8.75
INSCTCDE	0	CYP+PIR	Mean
STRAW			
BURNT	8.44	8.82	8.63
BALED	9.05	9.18	9.11
CHOPPED	8.51	8.50	8.51
Mean	8.66	8.83	8.75

# GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

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

INSCTCDE	0	CYP+PIR	Mean
CULTTIME			
EARLY	8.72	9.02	8.87
LATER	8.61	8.65	8.63
Mean	8.66	8.83	8.75
INSCTCDE	0	CYP+PIR	Mean
FUNGCIDE			
0	7.76	8.08	7.92
FULL	9.57	9.59	9.58
Mean	8.66	8.83	8.75
MOLLCIDE	0	METHCARB	Mean
STRAW			
BURNT	8.57	8.69	8.63
BALED	9.02	9.21	9.11
CHOPPED	8.53	8.48	8.51
Mean	8.71	8.79	8.75
MOLLCIDE	0	METHCARB	Mean
CULTTIME			
EARLY	8.84	8.91	8.87
LATER	8.58	8.68	8.63
Mean	8.71	8.79	8.75
MOLLCIDE FUNGCIDE	0	METHCARB	Mean
0	7.84	7.99	7.92
FULL	9.57	9.59	9.58
Mean	8.71	8.79	8.75
MOLLCIDE INSCTCDE	0	METHCARB	Mean
0	8.64	8.69	8.66
CYP+PIR	8.77	8.90	8.83
Mean	8.71	8.79	8.75

#### GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

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

FUNGCIDE 0.111	INSCTCDE 0.111	MOLLCIDE 0.111	STRAW* FUNGCIDE 0.192
CULTTIME* FUNGCIDE 0.156	STRAW* INSCTCDE 0.192	CULTTIME* INSCTCDE 0.156	FUNGCIDE INSCTCDE 0.156
STRAW* MOLLCIDE 0.192	CULTTIME* MOLLCIDE 0.156	FUNGCIDE MOLLCIDE 0.156	INSCTCDE MOLLCIDE 0.156

\* Within the same level of STRAW, CULTTIME or STRAW.CULTTIME only

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

Stratum d.f. s.e. cv% WP.SP 27 0.383 4.4

GRAIN MEAN DM% 89.6

SUB PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00276