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# 92/R/BW/1

## WINTER BARLEY

## COMPANION CROPPING

Object: To measure the effect of companion cropping on pests and diseases, growth, yield and nutrient uptake of cereals - Highfield IV/Road Piece E.

Sponsor: D.G. Christian.

Design: 3 randomised blocks of 5 plots.

Whole plot dimensions: 6.0 x 10.0.

#### Treatments:

COMPCROP Companion crops sown by broadcasting:

NONE None

WCLOVER White clover at 20 kg after previous harvest, subsequently

ploughed and w. barley drilled

WMUSTL White mustard at 1.5 kg before drilling w. barley
WMUSTM White mustard at 3.0 kg before drilling w. barley
OILRADSH Oil radish at 1.5 kg before drilling w. barley

# Experimental diary:

- 14-Aug-91 : B : PK as (0:16:36) at 1040 kg.
- 21-Aug-91: T: COMPCROP WCLOVER: Rotary cultivated with Bomford Dynadrive, New Zealand white clover broadcast at 20 kg.
- 09-Sep-91 : B : Ploughed and furrow pressed.
- 12-Sep-91 : B : Rolled.
- 18-Sep-91 : B : Rotary harrowed.
- 18-Sep-91 : T : COMPCROP WMUSTL: White mustard (cv. Tilney) broadcast at 1.5 kg.
  - : T : COMPCROP WMUSTM: White mustard (cv. Tilney) broadcast at 3.0 kg.
  - : T : COMPCROP OILRADSH: Oil radish (cv. Trick) broadcast at 1.5 kg.
- 18-Sep-91 : B : Rotary harrowed, Magie drilled at 140 kg, rolled.
- 06-Mar-92 : B : 34.5% N at 120 kg.
- 02-Apr-92 : B : 34.5% N at 340 kg.
- 19-Apr-92 : B : Duplosan New System CMPP at 2.0 1 and Vindex at 1.4 1 in 200 1.
- 03-May-92 : B : Calixin at 0.50 1 and Radar at 0.50 1 in 260 1.
- 23-Jul-92 : B : Combine harvested.

Previous crops: W. barley 1990 and 1991.

- NOTES: (1) Plant samples were taken in December for growth analysis.
  - (2) Subsequently in December severe frosts killed all the companion crops.

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# GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

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

COMPCROP

NONE 4.49
WCLOVER 4.69
WMUSTL 4.71
WMUSTM 4.52
OILRADSH 5.27

Mean 4.73

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

# COMPCROP

0.874

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

Stratum

d.f.

s.e.

CV%

BLOCK.WP

8

1.071

22.6

GRAIN MEAN DM% 84.1

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00230