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#### 94/R/LN/2

#### LINSEED

# WEED COMPETITION IN LINSEED

Object: To investigate the effects of two weed species on each other and on the growth and yield of linseed - Geescroft.

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Design: 2 randomised blocks of (5 x 5) + 5 plots.

Whole plot dimensions:  $3.0 \times 10.0$ .

Treatments: All combinations of:-

1.	BARLEY	Number of barley plants established per m2:	
	В0	0	
	B1	16	
	B2	22	
	B3	59	
	B4	164	
2.	CHKWEED	Number of chickweed plants established per m <sup>2</sup>	:
	C0	0	
	C1	73	
	C2	161	
	C3	345	
	C4	546	

plus 5 extra treatments

3. EXTRA Number of barley or chickweed plants established per m<sup>2</sup>:

	Barley	Chickweed
-	-	-
EB1	80	-
EB2	237	-
EC1	-	430
EC2	-	712

NOTE: Target 'weed' densities, plants per m², were as follows: BARLEY B0 0, B1 25, B2 50, B3 100, B4 300. CHCKWEED C0 0, C1 100, C2 200, C3 400, C4 800. EXTRA - 0, EB1 200, EB2 400, EC1 600, EC2 1200.

### Experimental diary:

03-Dec-93 : B : Ploughed.

25-Apr-94 : B : Rotary harrowed.

: T : BARLEY B1, B2, B3, B4, EXTRA EB1, EB2: Alexis, dressed Panoctine Plus, broadcast by machine.

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#### Experimental diary:

25-Apr-94 : T : CHKWEED C1, C2, C3, C4, EXTRA EC1, EC2: Chickweed seeds broadcast by hand.

: B : Rotary harrowed, Antares, dressed Prelude 20LF, drilled at 700 seeds per  $\mathrm{m}^2$ .

12-May-94 : B : Ripcord at 250 ml in 200 1.

18-May-94 : B : 34.5% N at 220 kg.

13-Jun-94 : B : Dow Shield at 0.5 1 in 200 1.

06-Sep-94 : B : Hand harvested.

Previous crops: W. wheat 1992, w. wheat 1993.

NOTE: Leaf area indices of the barley, chickweed and linseed were measured on two occasions during the growing season. Percentage ground cover was assessed by visual and photographic methods on two occasions early in the growing season. Weed seed yield, as well as crop components of yield, were measured before harvest.

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

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

BARLEY	В0	B1	B2	В3	B4	Mean
C0	0.84	0.76	0.76	0.60	0.32	0.66
C1	0.90	0.71	0.73	0.54	0.31	0.64
C2	0.80	0.61	0.60	0.61	0.32	0.59
C3	0.76	0.67	0.62	0.53	0.36	0.59
C4	0.75	0.63	0.61	0.35	0.26	0.52
Mean	0.81	0.68	0.66	0.53	0.31	0.60
EXTRA						
-	0.96					
EB1	0.49					
EB2	0.34					
EB3	0.77					
EB4	0.82					
Mean	0.68					

GRAND MEAN 0.61

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

BARLEY	CHKWEED	BARLEY	
		CHKWEED	
0.055	0.055	0.124	

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

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

Stratum

d.f.

s.e.

CV%

BLOCK.WP

29

0.124

20.2

GRAIN MEAN DM% \*

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00010