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# Yields of the Field Experiments 1994



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#### ORGANIC MANURING

Object: To study, from crop yields and soil analyses, the effects of a range of types of organic matter - Woburn, Stackyard B.

Sponsor: P.R. Poulton.

The 30th year, w. wheat.

For previous years see 'Details' 1973 and 74-93/W/RN/12.

Design: 4 blocks of 8 plots split into 6 sub-plots.

Whole plot dimensions:  $8.0 \times 30.5$ .

Treatments: From 1966 to 1971 the experiment had a preliminary period designed to build up organic matter, derived from different sources. An arable rotation was started on two blocks in 1972 and the remaining two blocks in 1973. After a period of testing the residues built up, a further period of accumulation was started; on two blocks (which included ley sown in 1979) in 1981 and on the other two (which included ley sown in 1980) in 1982. On the first pair leys were ploughed for 1st test crop in 1987, on the second pair for 1st test crop in 1988.

#### Whole blocks

# 1. CROPSEQ

WHEAT	3	3rd wheat, after w. wheat 1988, potatoes 1989, w. wheat
		1990, w. beans 1991
WHEAT	4	4th wheat, after w. wheat 1987, potatoes 1988, w. wheat 1989, w. beans 1990

#### Whole plots

#### 2. TREATMNT Previous treatments:

LC 8 GM	Eight-year clover/grass ley until 1987 (WHEAT 3) or 1986 (WHEAT 4), green manure in the preliminary period								
LC 8 PT	As above, peat in the preliminary period								
LC 6 LC	Six-year clover/grass ley until 1987 (WHEAT 3) or 1986 (WHEAT 4), clover/grass ley in the preliminary period								
LC 6 LN	As above, grass ley with N in the preliminary period								
FYM	Farmyard manure annually 1981 to 1986 (WHEAT 3) or 1985 (WHEAT 4) and in the preliminary period								
STRAW	Straw in both periods								
FERT-FYM	Fertilizers only in both periods, rates of P, K & Mg equivalent to amounts in FYM								
FERT-STR	Fertilizers only in both periods, rates of P, K & Mg equivalent to amounts in straw (+P)								

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Sub-plots
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3. N Nitrogen fertilizer in 1994 (kg N) as 'Nitro-Chalk':

0
50
100
150
200
250
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#### Experimental diary:

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10-Sep-93 : B : Ploughed.
16-Oct-93 : B : Rotary harrowed, Mercia, dressed Panoctine, drilled at 325 seeds per m².

11-Apr-94 : T : N 50, 100, 150, 200, 250: Applied as 27% N.
01-May-94 : B : Oxytril CM at 1.5 1 with Duplosan New System CMPP at 2.0 1 and Halo at 1.5 1 in 200 1.

24-May-94 : B : Vytel Liquid Chelated Manganese (chelated Mn as Mn EDTA in solution equivalent to 6.4% w/v Mn) at 1.5 1 in 200 1.

30-May-94 : B : Cyclone at 1.0 1 with Mistral at 0.5 1 in 200 1.
14-Jun-94 : B : Hostathion at 0.84 1 in 200 1.
21-Aug-94 : T : CROPSEQ WHEAT 4: Combine harvested.
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NOTE: Straw yields were recorded on the CROPSEQ WHEAT 4 plots. Grain and straw samples were taken for chemical analysis.

# CROPSEQ WHEAT 3

# GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

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

N	0	50	100	150	200	250	Mean
TREATMNT							
LC 8 GM	0.56	1.89	3.00	3.30	4.60	3.99	2.89
LC 8 PT	0.78	2.09	3.50	3.86	4.70	3.99	3.15
LC 6 LC	0.76	2.02	3.57	4.41	4.16	4.76	3.28
LC 6 LN	0.83	2.27	4.14	4.49	4.06	4.19	3.33
FYM	1.23	2.92	4.24	5.69	5.38	4.71	4.03
STRAW	0.46	1.87	3.99	5.26	5.31	5.85	3.79
FERT-FYM	0.53	2.14	4.22	4.52	4.54	5.05	3.50
FERT-STR	0.53	2.37	3.41	4.10	4.63	4.60	3.28
Mean	0.71	2.20	3.76	4.45	4.67	4.64	3.41

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

		TRE	TMMT			N	TREATMNT	
							N	
			0.471		0.2	19	0.797	
Except	when	comparing	means	with	the	same	level(s)	of
TREAT	TUM						0.704	

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

Stratum	d.f.	s.e.	cv%
BLOCK.WP	7	0.471	13.8
BLOCK.WP.SP	40	0.704	20.7

GRAIN MEAN DM% 86.8

# CROPSEQ WHEAT 4

#### GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

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

	N	0	50	100	150	200	250	Mean
	TREATMNT							
	LC 8 GM	1.25	3.49	5.75	6.53	6.52	6.51	5.01
	LC 8 PT	1.03	3.19	5.45	6.17	6.55	6.51	4.81
	LC 6 LC	1.40	3.20	5.57	7.17	6.67	6.12	5.02
	LC 6 LN	1.55	3.84	6.20	6.52	7.52	7.27	5.48
	FYM	1.65	3.28	5.22	5.93	5.63	6.27	4.66
	STRAW	1.00	2.67	5.18	5.72	6.30	6.09	4.49
1	FERT-FYM	0.80	3.15	5.43	5.34	6.03	5.66	4.40
1	FERT-STR	0.55	2.45	4.39	5.09	5.34	5.93	3.96
	Mean	1.16	3.16	5.40	6.06	6.32	6.30	4.73

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

		TREA	TMNT			N	TREATMNT	
							N	
		(	0.489		0.20	)6	0.723	
Except	when	comparing	means	with	the	same	level(s)	of
TREATM	NT						0.584	

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

Stratum	d.f.	s.e.	cv%
BLOCK.WP	7	0.489	10.3
BLOCK.WP.SP	40	0.584	12.3

GRAIN MEAN DM% 86.1

# CROPSEQ WHEAT 4

# STRAW TONNES/HECTARE

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

N	0	50	100	150	200	250	Mean
TREATMNT							
LC 8 GM	0.47	1.73	3.10	4.25	4.21	4.39	3.03
LC 8 PT	0.44	1.86	3.20	4.01	4.32	4.30	3.02
LC 6 LC	0.73	1.38	2.86	4.28	3.78	3.52	2.76
LC 6 LN	0.73	2.34	3.85	3.75	4.98	5.58	3.54
FYM	0.65	2.02	3.22	3.96	3.68	4.37	2.98
STRAW	0.41	1.36	2.93	3.39	3.35	4.18	2.60
FERT-FYM	0.47	1.82	2.93	2.80	3.55	3.57	2.52
FERT-STR	0.10	1.51	2.61	2.54	3.12	3.66	2.26
Mean	0.50	1.75	3.09	3.62	3.87	4.20	2.84

STRAW MEAN DM% 89.5

SUB PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00202