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### 00/R/RAS/1

#### SPRING OILSEED RAPE

#### EFFECTS OF SULPHUR AND NITROGEN ON SPRING OILSEED RAPE

**Object:** To study the timing of sulphur applications and test a novel diagnostic indicator with different nitrogen rates - Webbs.

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Design: 4 randomised blocks of 2 x 2 + 1.

Whole plot dimensions:  $3.0 \times 10.0$ .

Treatments: All combinations of:-

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1. S Sulphur kg S:
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S0 None S1 80

2. N Nitrogen kg N:

N1 150 N2 200

Extra

LATE SULPHUR Kg S:

SL 80

#### Experimental diary:

19-Aug-99 : : : Muriate of potash at 300 kg.

04-Oct-99 : : Ploughed.

21-Mar-00 : B : : Combination drilled, Canyon, tr. Rovral Liquid FS and Hydraguard, at 180 seeds/ $m^2$ , with the Accord drill.

: B : Rolled.

22-Mar-00 : B : : Butisan S at 1.0 l in 200 l.

24-Apr-00 : B : : Hallmark with Zeon Technology at 75 ml in 200 1.

28-Apr-00 : B : : 34.5% N at 435 kg.

03-May-00 : B : : Combination drilled, Sprinter, tr. Rovral Liquid FS, at

250 seeds/m<sup>2</sup>, with the Accord drill.

05-May-00 : B : : Rolled.

12-Jun-00 : T : N2 : 34.5% N at 145 kg. 16-Jun-00 : T : S1 : Gypsum at 457 kg.

26-Jun-00 : B : : Hallmark with Zeon Technology at 100 ml in 200 1.

17-Jul-00 : **T** : SL : Gypsum at 457 kg. 06-Sep-00 : B : : Combine harvested.

Previous crops: W. barley 1998, w. linseed 1999.

NOTE: Plants were sampled on 28-Jun-00 for sulphur and nitrogen analysis.

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# GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

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

S	S0	S1	Mean
N			
N1	2.19	2.42	2.31
N2	2.19	2.36	2.28
Mean	2.19	2.39	2.29

LATE SULPHUR 2.14

Grand mean 2.26

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

N S N S S S O .050 0.050 0.071

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

Stratum d.f. s.e. cv% BLOCK.WP 12 0.100 4.4

GRAIN MEAN DM% 82.2

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00233