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# **Wahrnehmung und zukünftige Rolle der Schweizer Bioforschung in Europa**

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# Rangliste Bioforschung in Europa

(nach Kriterien des UK-RAE)

## Bio-Agrar Institute

	R&D	TT
1. <b>FiBL, CH</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(4)</b>
2. <b>Kassel, D</b>	<b>(2/3)</b>	<b>(2)</b>
3. <b>LBI, NL</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(3)</b>
4. <b>EFRC, UK</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>(3)</b>
5. <b>HDRA, UK</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>(3)</b>
6. <b>Bolzmann, A</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>(2)</b>
7. <b>GRAB, F</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>(2)</b>

## Konventionelle Agrar-Institute\*

	R&D	TT
1. <b>DIAS, DK</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(3)</b>
2. <b>WUR, NL</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(2)</b>
3. <b>Agroscope</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(1)</b>
4. <b>INRA, F</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(1)</b>
5. <b>UNEW, UK</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(1)</b>
6. <b>SAC, UK</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(2)</b>
7. <b>UH, D</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(2)</b>
8. <b>BOKU, A</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(2)</b>

\* die auch Ökoforschung machen



# Schweizer Bioforschung – Wahrnehmung

## Forschungsinstitut für Biologischen Landbau (FiBL)

- **Führende Bioforschungsinstitut in Europa**
  - Wissenschaftliche Veröffentlichungen (z.B. in *Science*)
  - Technologietransfer (FiBL-Handbücher in 4 Sprachen)
  - EU und Industry Unterstützung
  - Kollaborationspartner in der Schweiz, Europa & International
- **Systementwicklung anstatt “Input”-Substitution**
  - Langzeit-Systemversuche,
  - “Farmer participatory” – Forschungsansätze
  - Kombination von etablierten, alternativen und holistischen Analysemethoden
  - Integrierung der Sozial, Natur und Ernährungswissenschaften ermöglicht “whole supply chain” Ansätze



# Schweizer Bioforschung – Wahrnehmung

## Forschungsinstitut für Biologischen Landbau (FiBL)

Alle Bereiche Lebensmittelproduction werden abgedeckt:

- **Landwirtschaft (agriculture)**
  - **Grassland – Wiederkäuer Systeme**
  - **Scheine und Geflügelhaltung**
  - **Ackerbaukulturen (Getreide, Hackfrüchte etc.) dominierte Fruchtfolgesysteme**
- **Gartenbau (horticulture)**
  - **Glasshausproduktionsysteme**
  - **Feldgemüse/salat dominierte Fruchtfolgesysteme**
  - **Dauerkulturen (Wein, Obst etc.)**
- **Lebensmittelverarbeitung (processing)**



# Schweizer Bioforschung – Wahrnehmung

## Forschungsinstitut für Biologischen Landbau (FiBL)

- **Enge Zusammenarbeit mit der biologischen Landwirtschaft und Ihren Organen, Lebensmittel verarbeitenden Industrien und Supermarktketten**
  - Ansatz ist **“Bottom-up”** und nicht **“top-down”**
  - Relative **Unabhängigkeit** von “Trends” in der “konventionellen” Forschung
- **Enge Zusammenarbeit mit international anerkannten**
  - **spezialisierten** (aber mehr auf die konventionelle Landwirtschaft ausgerichteten) **Forschungsinstituten (inclusive Agroscope)**
  - **Institutionen der Grundlagenforschung** im öffentlichen (e.g. Universitäten) und privaten (e.g. Syngenta, Novartis) Bereich



# Schweizer Bioforschung – Zukünftige Rolle

## Forschungsinstitut für Biologischen Landbau (FiBL)

- **Koordination von großen EU und Internationalen R&D Projekten im Bereich the Biologischen Landwirtschaft**
- **Prioritäten und Forschungsansätze für die langfristige Entwicklung der Biologischen Landwirtschaft entwickeln**, insbesondere in den folgenden Bereichen:
  - “Sustainability” und “self-sufficiency”
  - Umweltbelastung, Energieverbrauch, CO<sub>2</sub> Emissionen,
  - Pflanzen und Tierzucht
  - Einfluß organischer Nahrungsmittel auf die Tier- und menschliche Gesundheit



# Schweizer Bioforschung – Zukünftige Rolle

## Agroscope

- **Forschung und Entwicklung spezifischer Verfahren, Innovationen, und analytischer Methoden, die in der biologischen (a) Lebensmittelerzeugung, (b) Lebensmittelverarbeitung und (c) Qualitätuntersuchung eingesetzt werden können**
- **Technologie-transfer von Innovationen aus der konventionellen Forschung in die biologische Lebensmittel Production und Verarbeitung**
- **Zum Beispiel**
  - **Blight-MOP (Agroscope FAL)** Entwicklung von forecasting, alternativen Pflanzenschutzmitteln für *Phytophthora infestans*
  - **QualityLowInputFood (Agroscope ALP)** Käseproduktionsmethoden die den CLA Gehalt erhöhen.



# Schweizer Bioforschung – Was fehlt?

- **Energieverbrauch, CO<sub>2</sub> Emissionen**
- **Recycling von organischen Abfällen der Stadtbevölkerung in die Landwirtschaft**



# Energieverbrauch – CO<sub>2</sub> Emissionen

## N-Dünger

- 1 kg N-Dünger = 36,000kJ = 1 Liter fuel = 1 kg CO<sub>2</sub>
- Nafferton Farm = 100 ha Getreide (200 kg N/ha)

**= 25,000 Liter fuel**

**= 25,000 kg CO<sub>2</sub> pro Jahr**

**nur für den Getreideanbau auf einer  
Englischen Farm**



# Recycling von organischen Abfällen der Stadtbevölkerung in die Landwirtschaft

**Externe Inputs (N, P, Energie etc.)**



**Landwirt-  
Wirtschaft**



**Lebensmittel  
(N,P,C)**

**CO<sub>2</sub>**



**Küchenabfall  
(N,P,C)**



**Toilettenabfall  
(N,P,C)**



**Müllkippe**



**← Kläranlage**

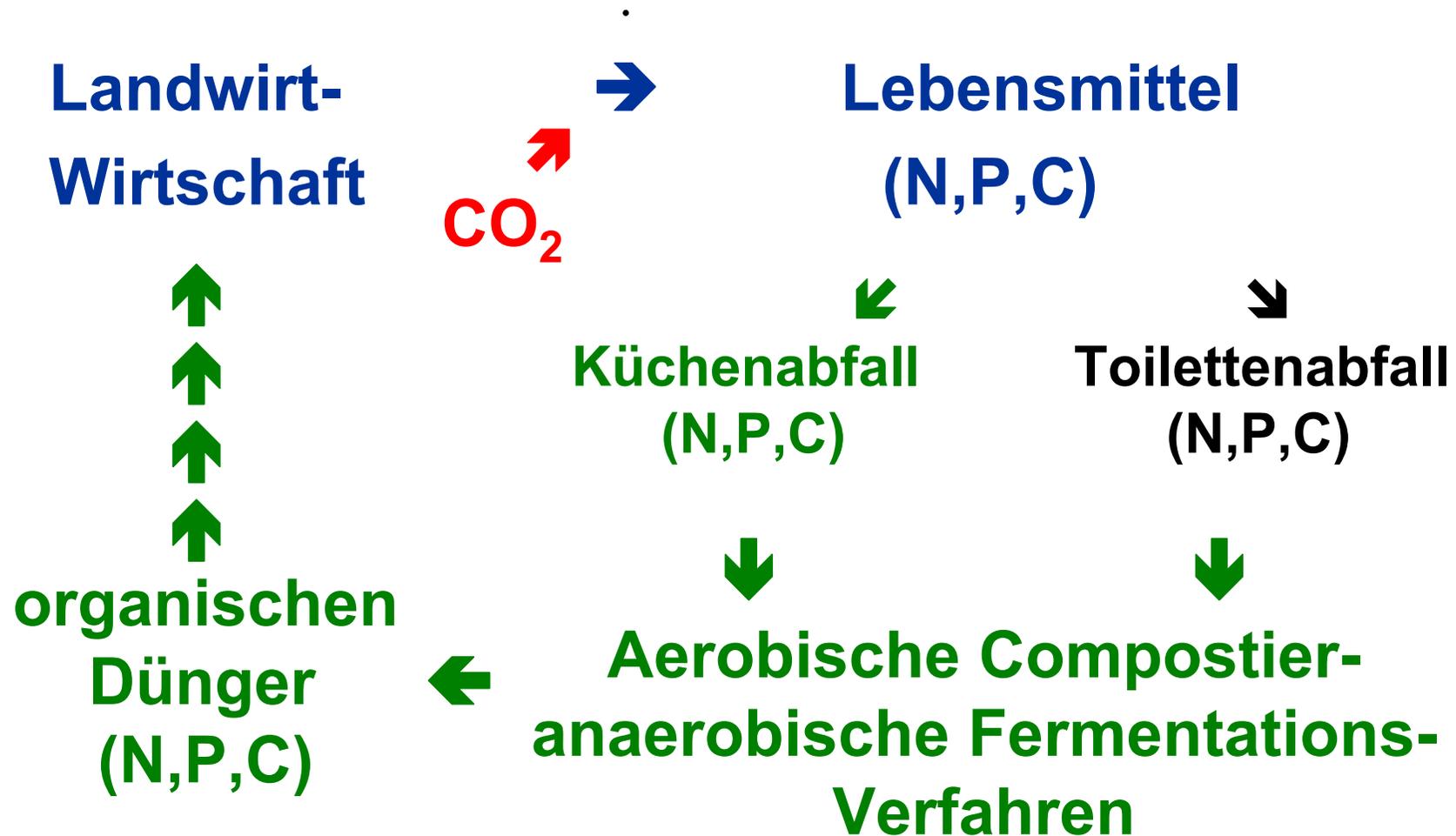


**CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> und N<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O  
Atmosphäre**





# Recycling von organischen Abfällen der Stadtbevölkerung in die Landwirtschaft



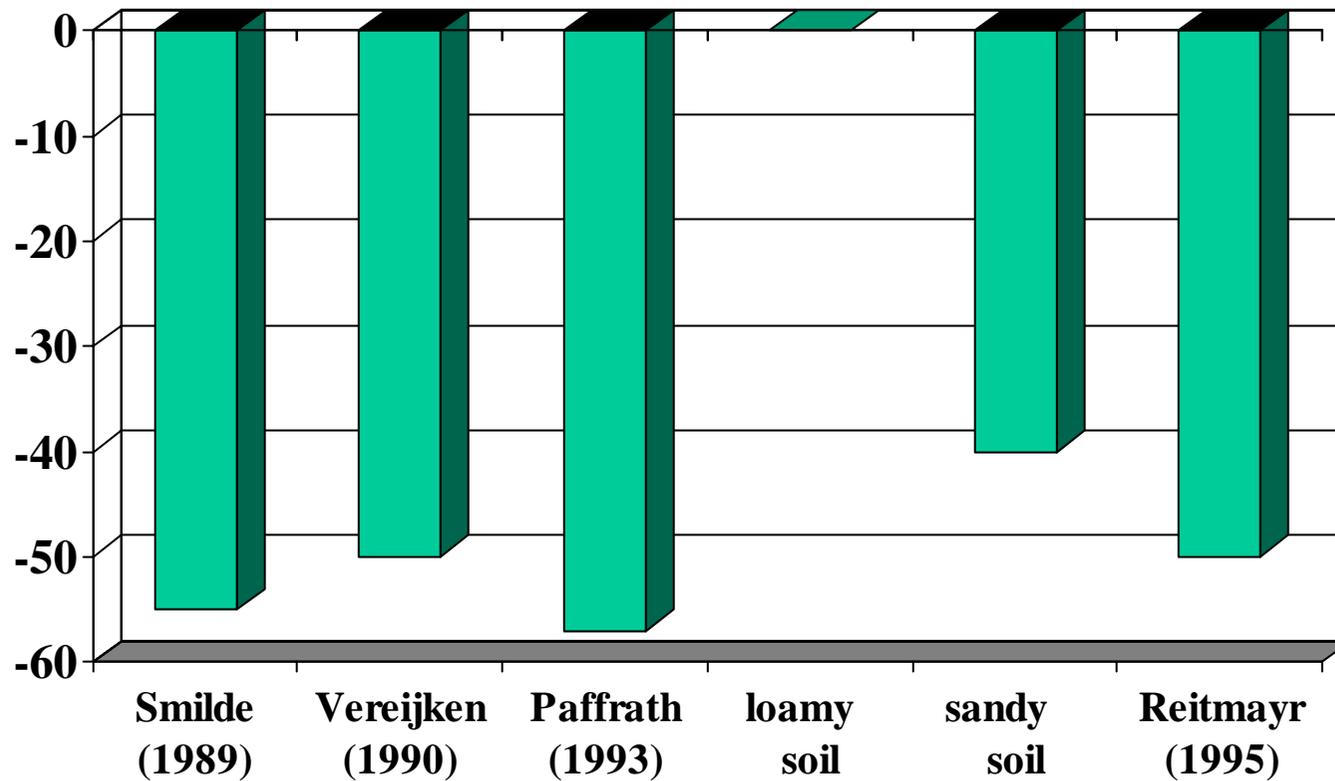


**THANK YOU**



# Nitrate leaching in matched farm comparisons studies

**% lower  
than conventional**



**Blume et al. (1993)**

# PESTICIDES

## Example: methyl bromide

- fumigant for soils and food stores
- used in conventional production for control of soil-borne diseases
- tomato, soft fruit, Brassicas, etc.
- **50 times more powerful than CFCs in destroying ozone**
- estimated to have contributed 10 to 20% of the destruction of the earth ozone layer
- even the US accepts the evidence
- still in use !!!!! in the UK



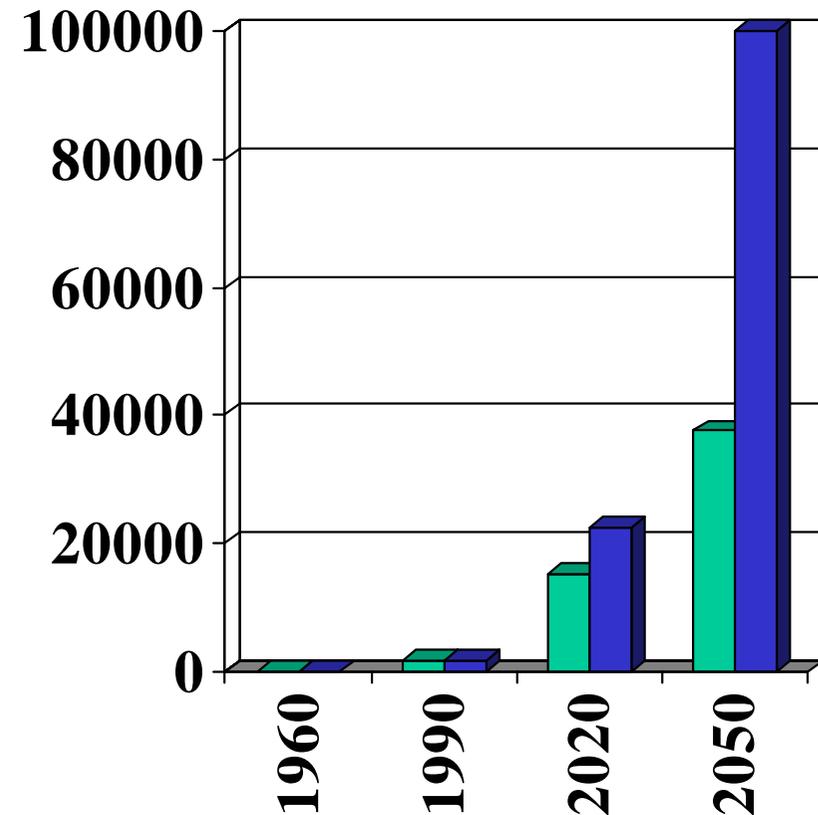


# Effect of stratospheric ozone depletion:

Increased UV-B radiation  
results in higher levels  
of:

- skin cancer
- suppression of the immune system
- cataracts

## Predicted Excess skin cancer cases in NW-Europe



RIVM (2000) Report 48150511

Slaper *et al.* (1996) Nature 384,256-258



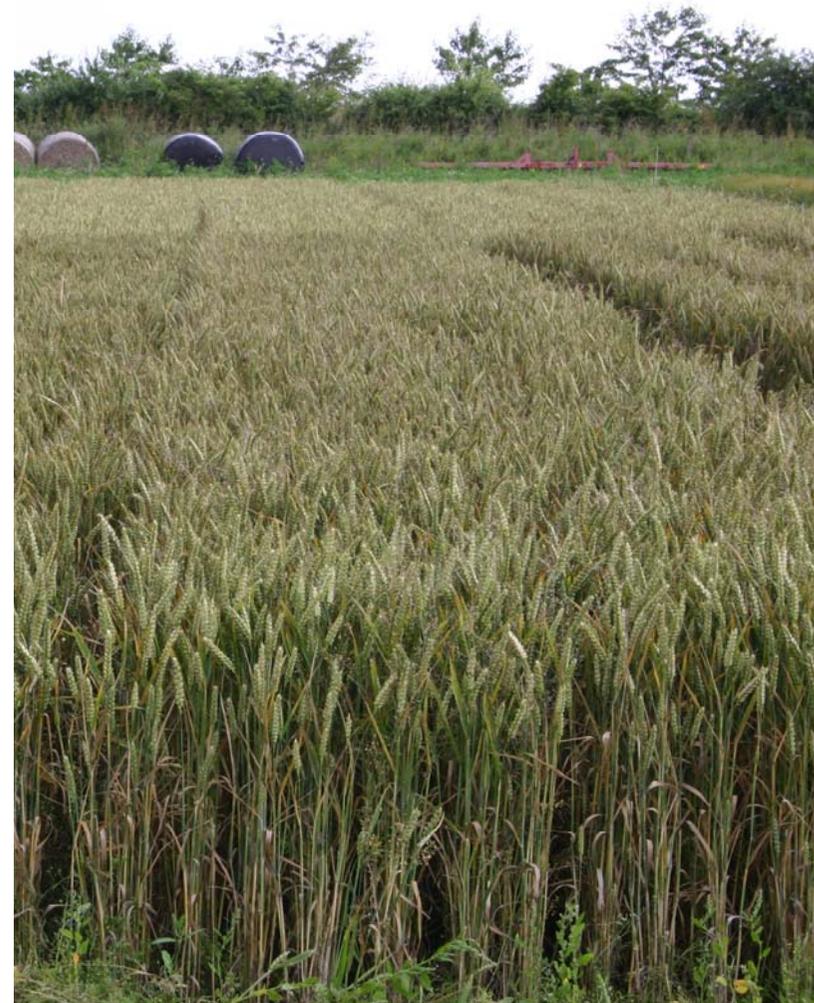
# **Interdependencies between mineral fertiliser and pesticide use in conventional systems**



# Nafferton factorial systems comparison

## Impact of production systems and their components on:

- food quality/safety
- environmental pollution
- non-flying invertebrates density and biodiversity
- soil activity/biodiversity
- sustainability
- productivity/cost





# Nafferton factorial systems comparison

<b>1.</b> <b>G</b>	<b>2.</b> <b>G</b>	<b>3.</b> <b>WW</b>	<b>4.</b> <b>WW</b>	<b>5.</b> <b>WB</b>	<b>6.</b> <b>P/V</b>	<b>7.</b> <b>WW</b>	<b>8.</b> <b>WB</b>
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**Conventional  
Rotation**

1. Grass (G)
2. Grass (G)
3. Winter Wheat (WW)
4. Winter Wheat (WW)
5. Winter Barley (WB)
6. Potato or Veg. (P/V)
7. Winter Wheat (WW)
8. Winter Barley (WB)



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- 1. – 3. Grass/Clover (G)
- 4. Winter Wheat (WW)
- 5. Potato/Veg (P/V)
- 6. Beans (BS)
- 7. Potato/Veg (P/V)
- 8. Spring Barley (SB)



# Conventional and organic plots: subplots

**Mineral  
N,P&K**      **synthetic  
Pesticides**

1.
2.
3.
4.
1.
2.
3.
4.

+	+
+	-
-	+
-	-
+	+
+	-
-	+
-	-

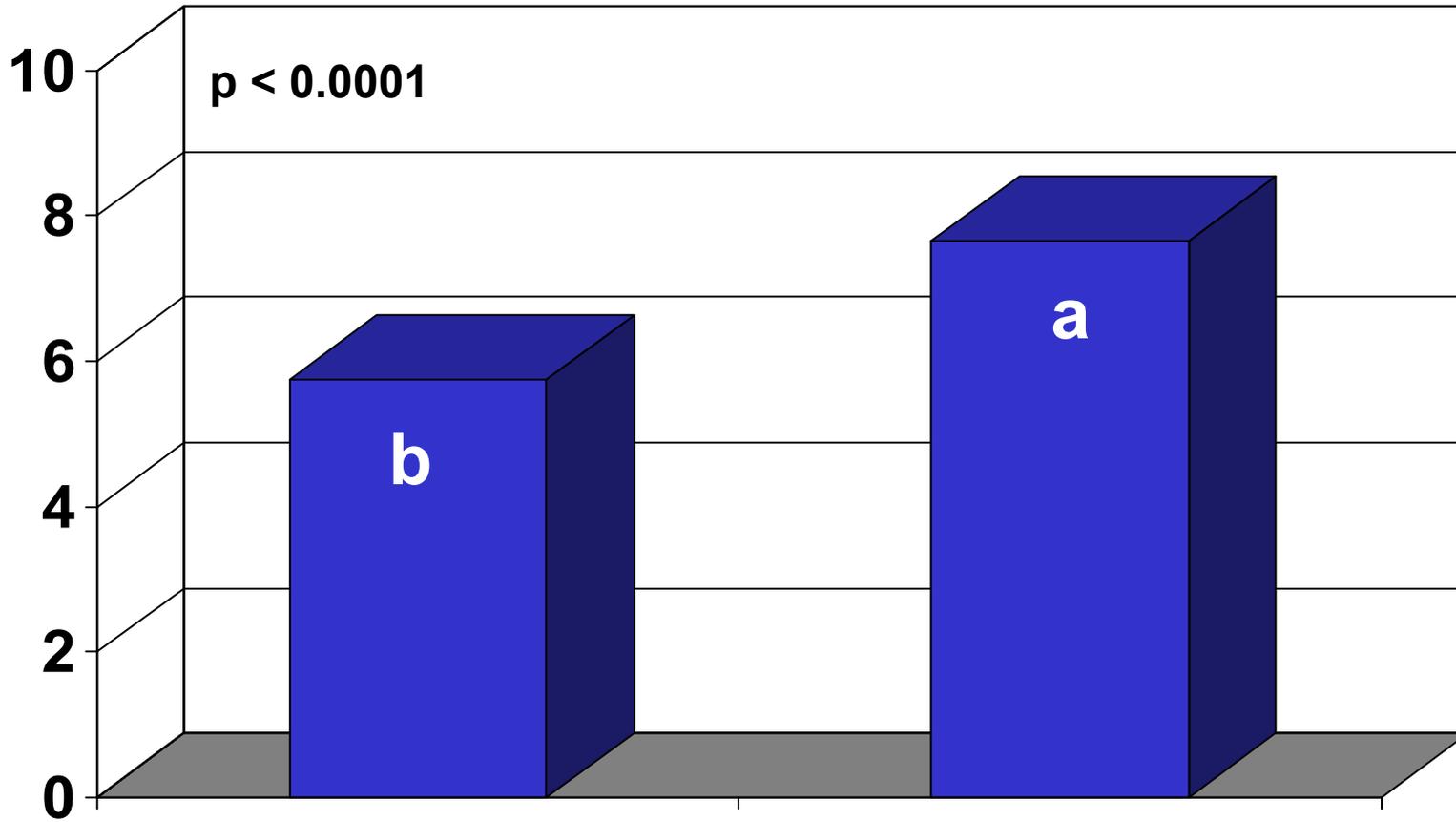
**Conventional  
Rotation**

**Organic  
Rotation**



# Winter wheat 2004 – yield (dry weight)

Yield  
(t ha<sup>-1</sup>)



Organic

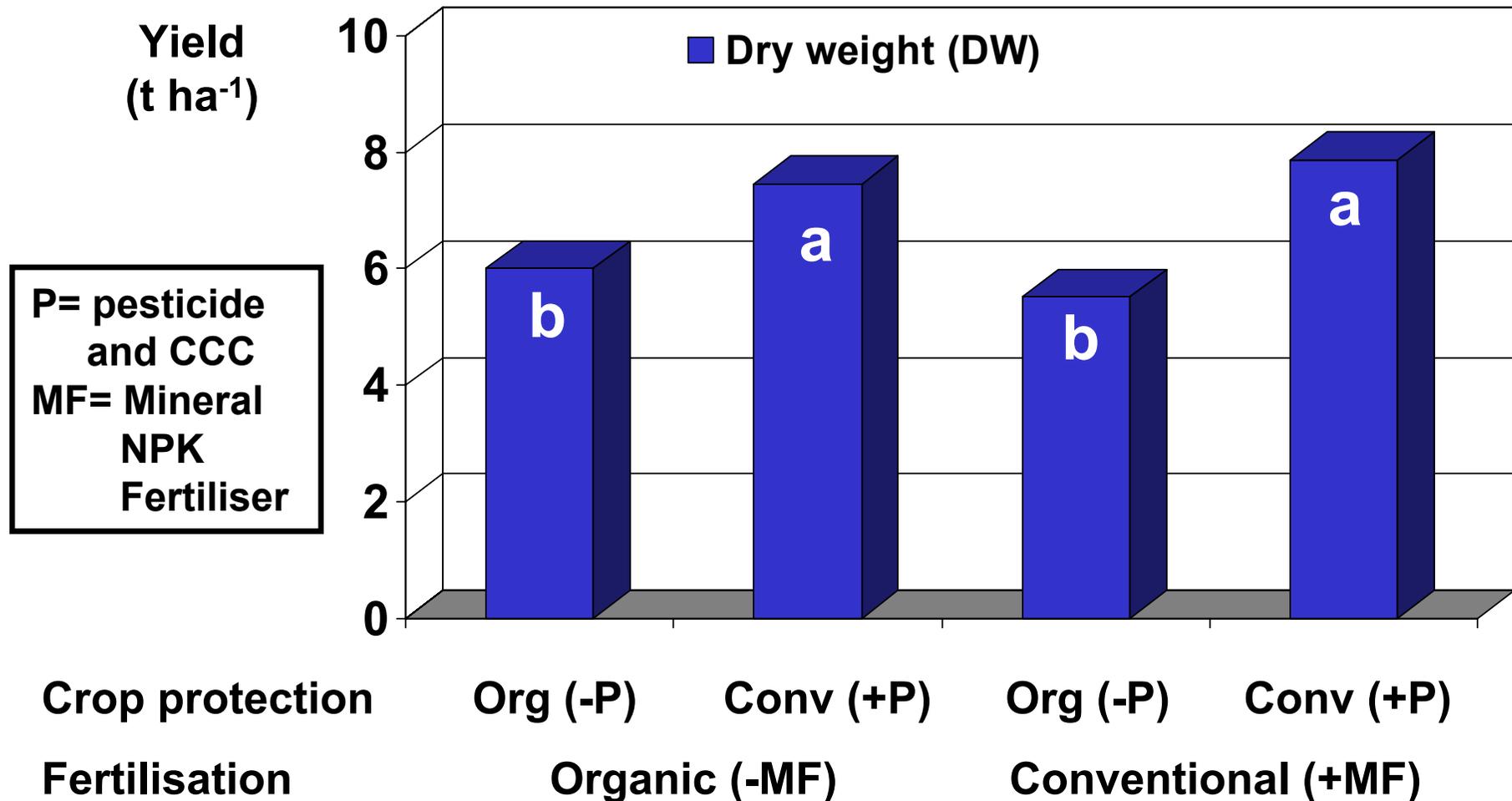
Conventional

Crop protection



# Winter Wheat Yield 2004 – Interaction between fertility management and crop protection (p = 0.044 DW)

Adding mineral fertilisers to crops treated with pesticides increase yield, while adding mineral fertilisers to non-pesticide treated crops decreases yield





# Effect of different crop management protocols on levels of lodging in winter-wheat (var. Malacca) QLIF – production systems study 2004

**CROP PROTECTION**

**NO pesticides or CCC used**

**Pesticides or CCC used**

## FERTILITY MANAGEMENT

**Clover + Manure**

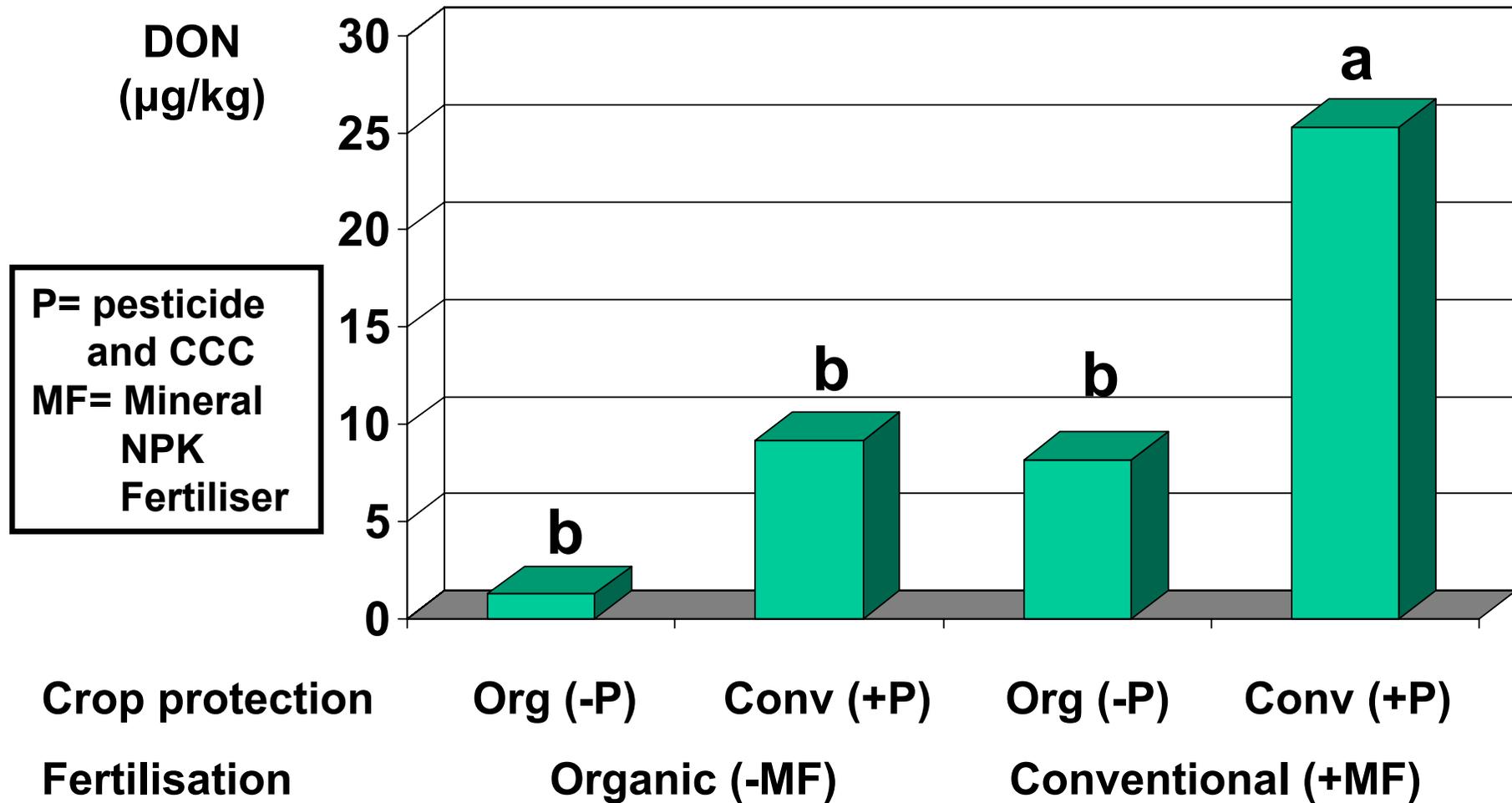
**Mineral NPK**





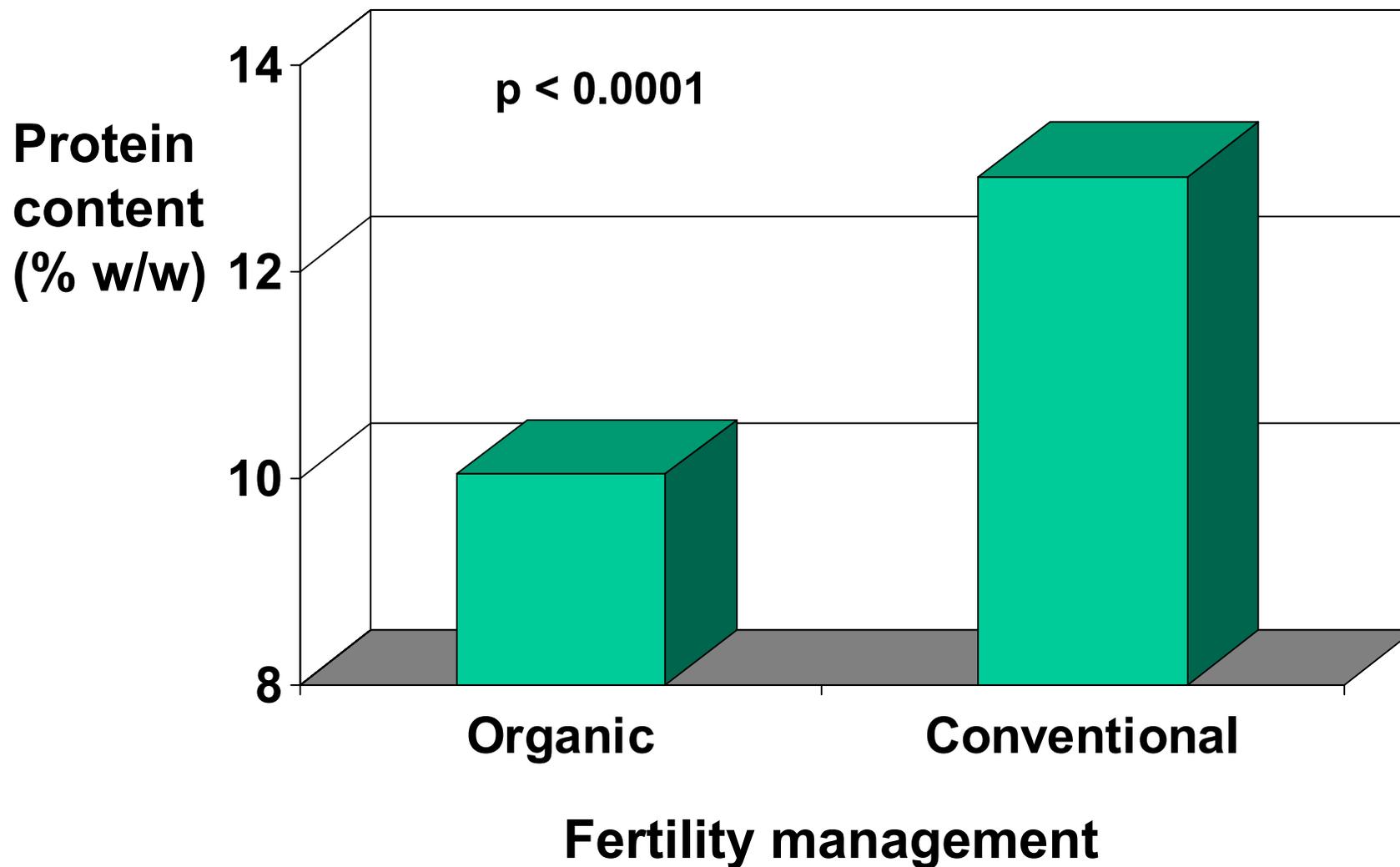
# Mycotoxin loads in Winter Wheat (2005)

Adding both mineral fertilisers and pesticides/CCC increased *Fusarium* mycotoxin loads in wheat





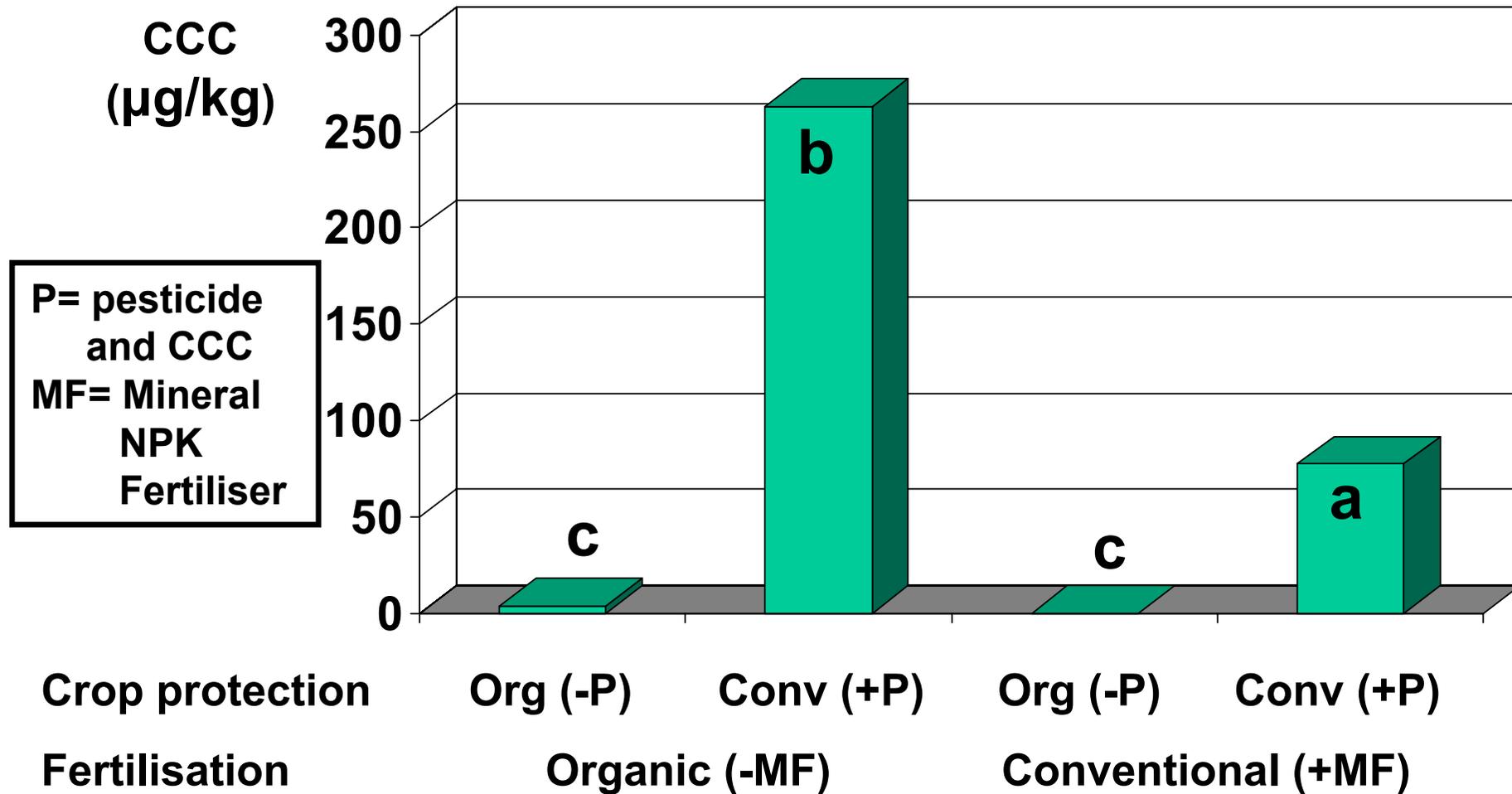
# Winter wheat 2004 – Protein content





# Winter Wheat chlormequat residues 2004

When pesticides/CCC were applied, organic fertility management practices resulted in 3 x higher CCC residues than conventional fertility management





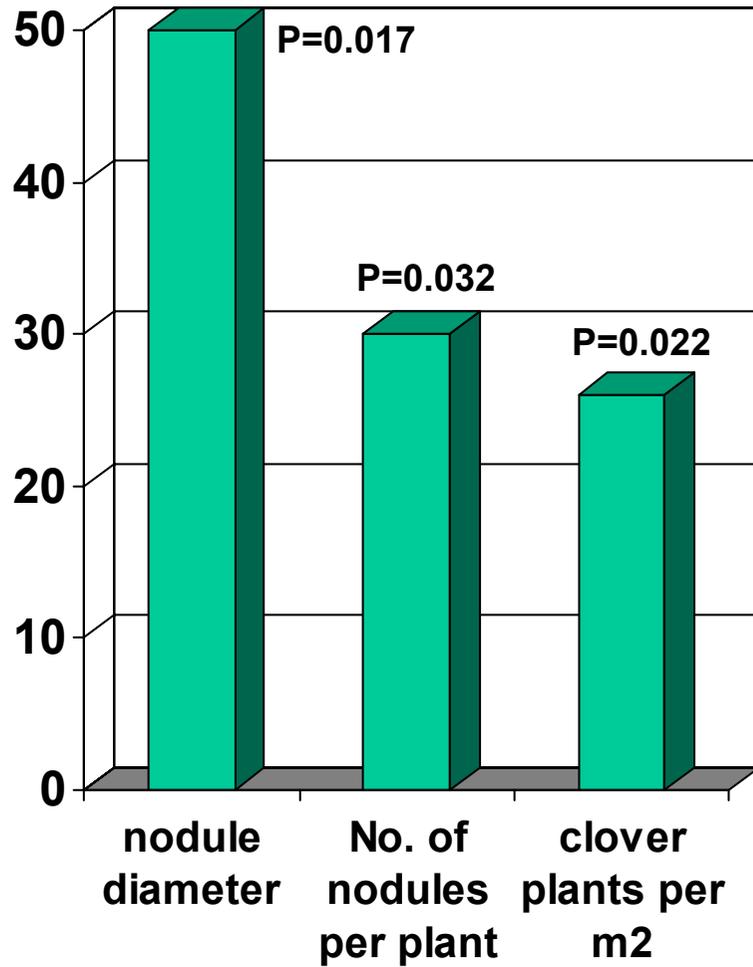
**Effect of providing R&D support  
on the yield and quality  
of crops  
in organic production systems**

**EXAMPLE:  
Improved fertility management and  
variety choice in wheat**



# Effect of inoculation of seed with *Rhizobium* inocula of nodule diameter, nodules per plant and clover plant density

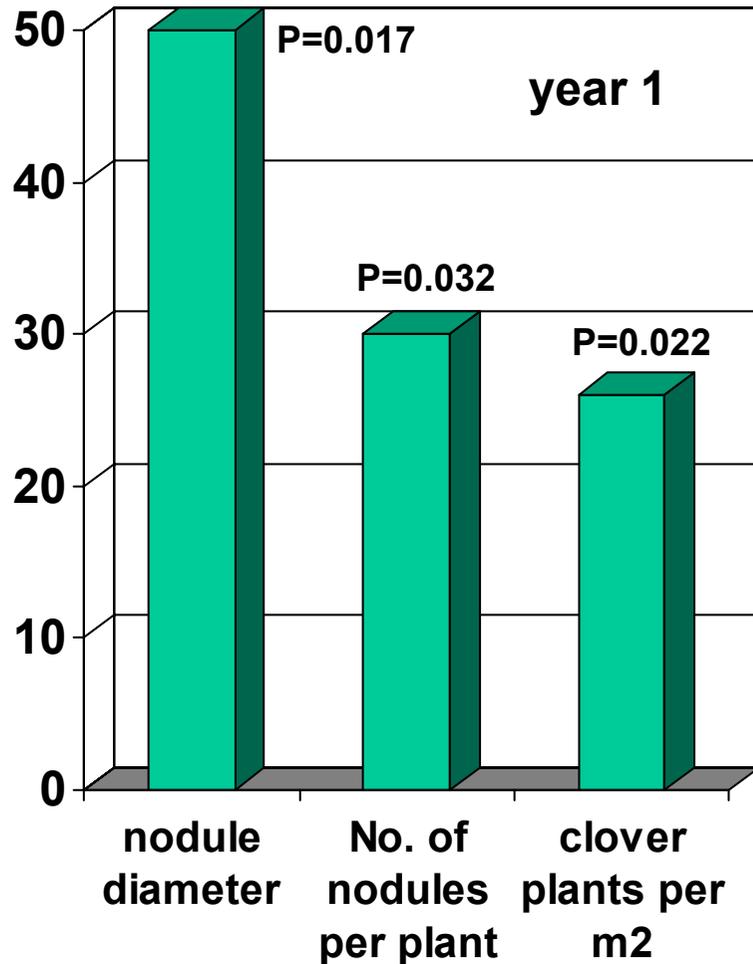
% more than non-inoculated



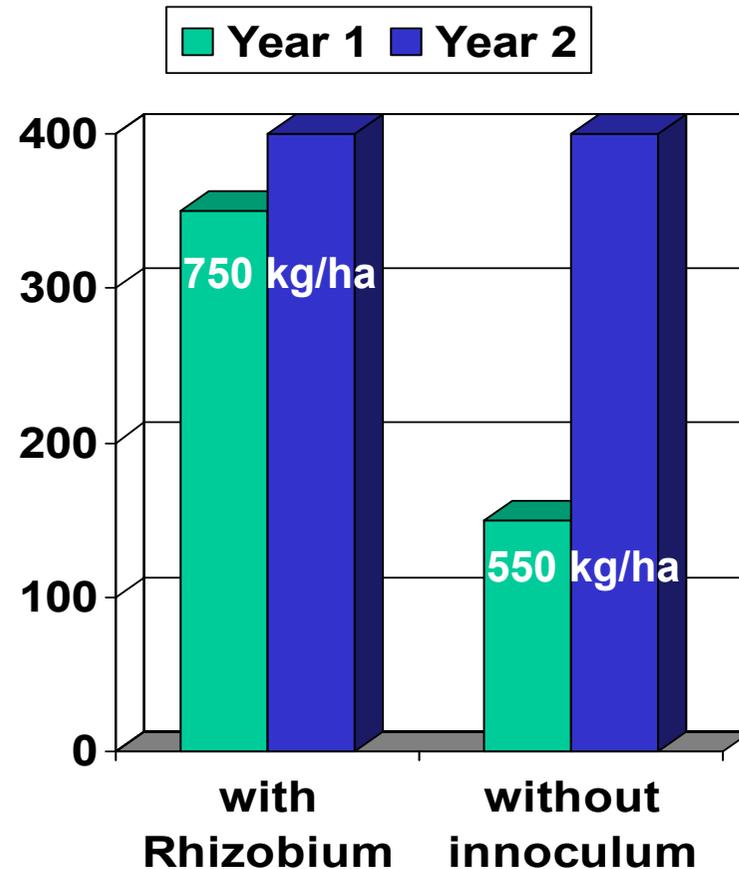


# Effect of inoculation of seed with *Rhizobium* inocula of nodule diameter, nodules per plant, clover plant density and nitrogen fixation capacity\*

% more than non-inoculated



N-fixation (kg per ha)\*



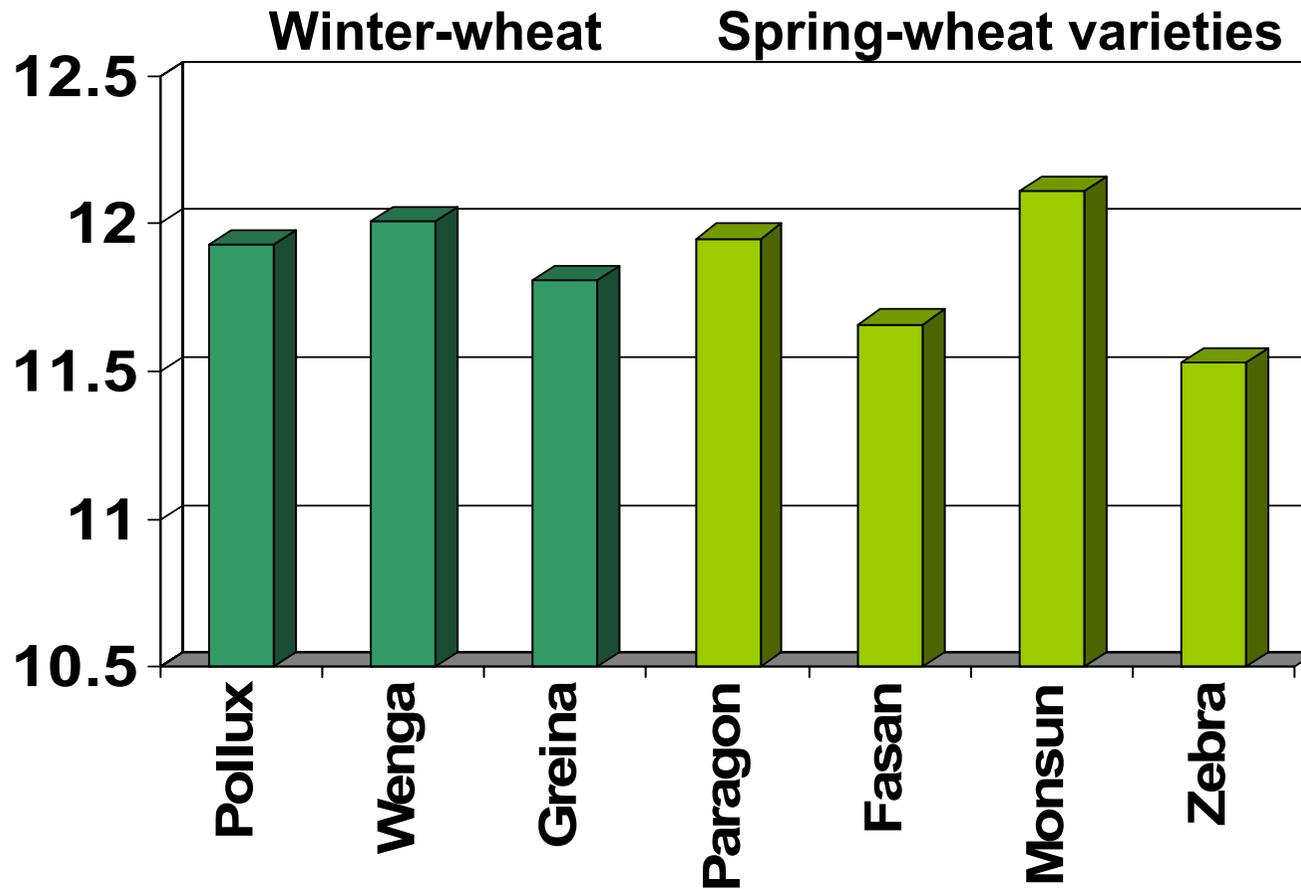
\* An adapted Swedish model (Carlsson, G. Huss-Danell, K. Umea) was used



# Effect of optimised clover based N-input regimes on baking quality related parameters in different winter and spring wheat varieties

SEM = 0.14 – 0.34

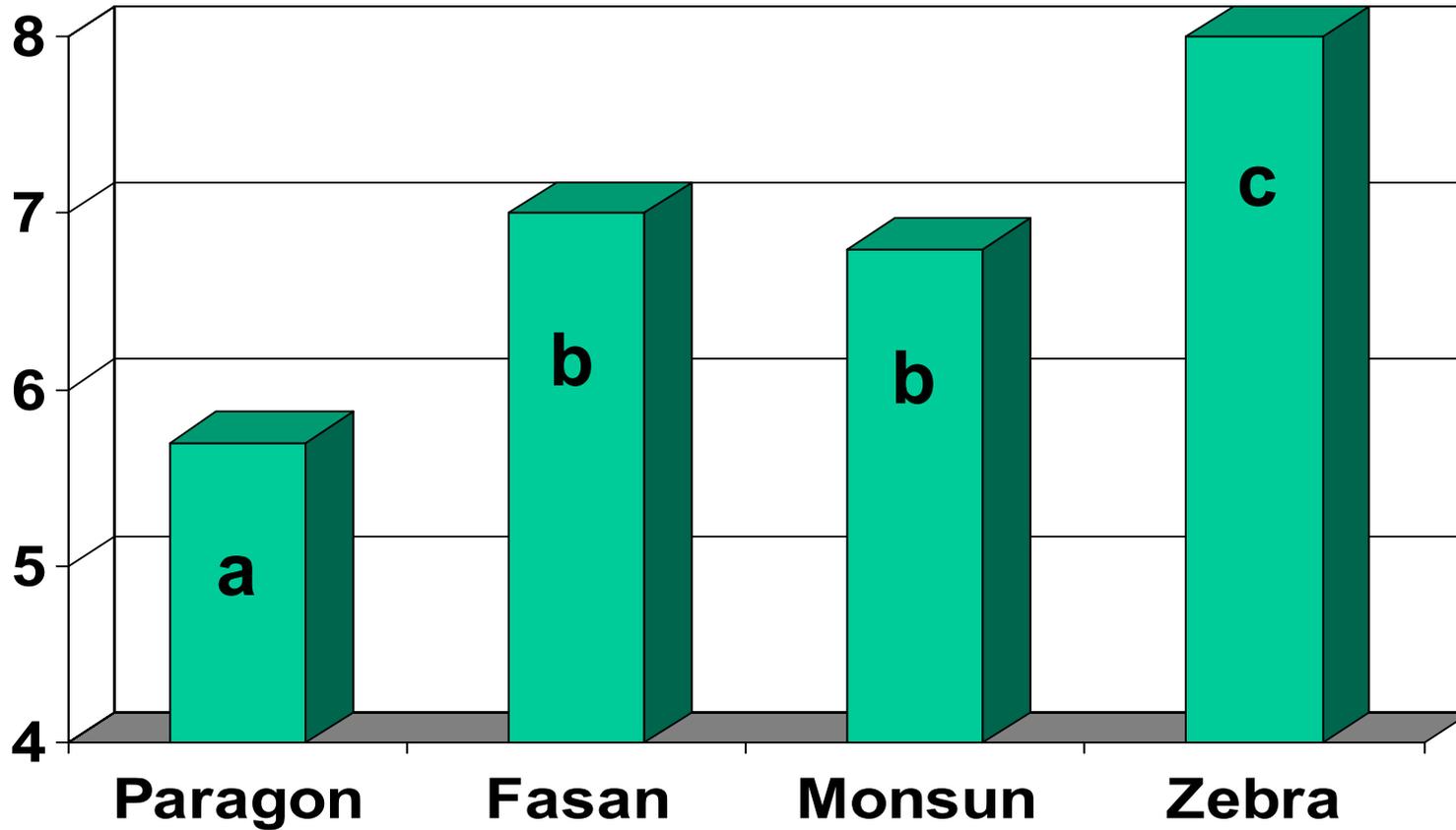
Protein content (%)





## Yield response of different spring wheat varieties to **optimised clover based N-inputs** and **green waste compost** amendments

Yield  
(t ha<sup>-1</sup>)

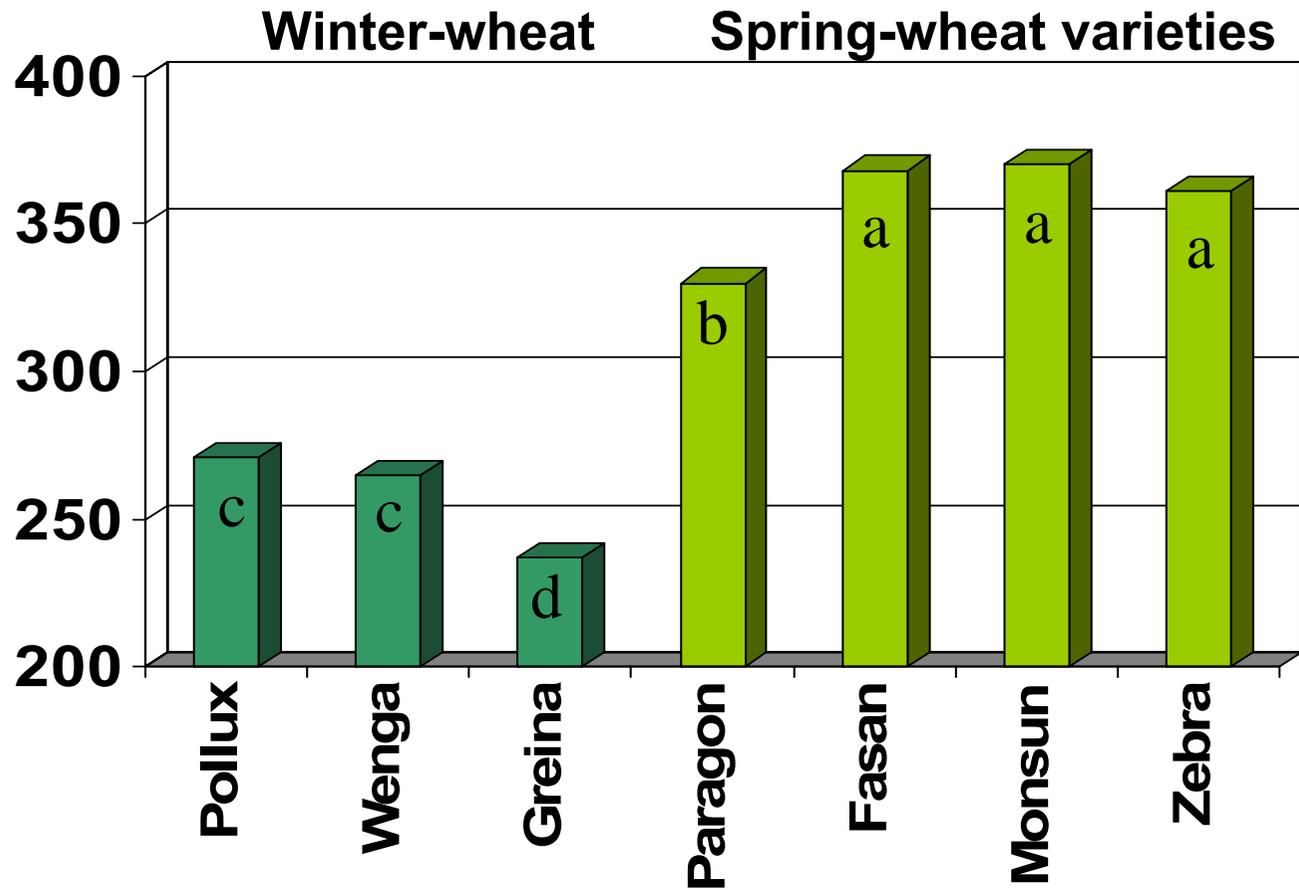




Effect of **optimised clover based N-input regimes** and **green waste compost** amendments on baking quality related parameters in different winter and spring wheat varieties

SEM = 4.4 - 8.8

HFN

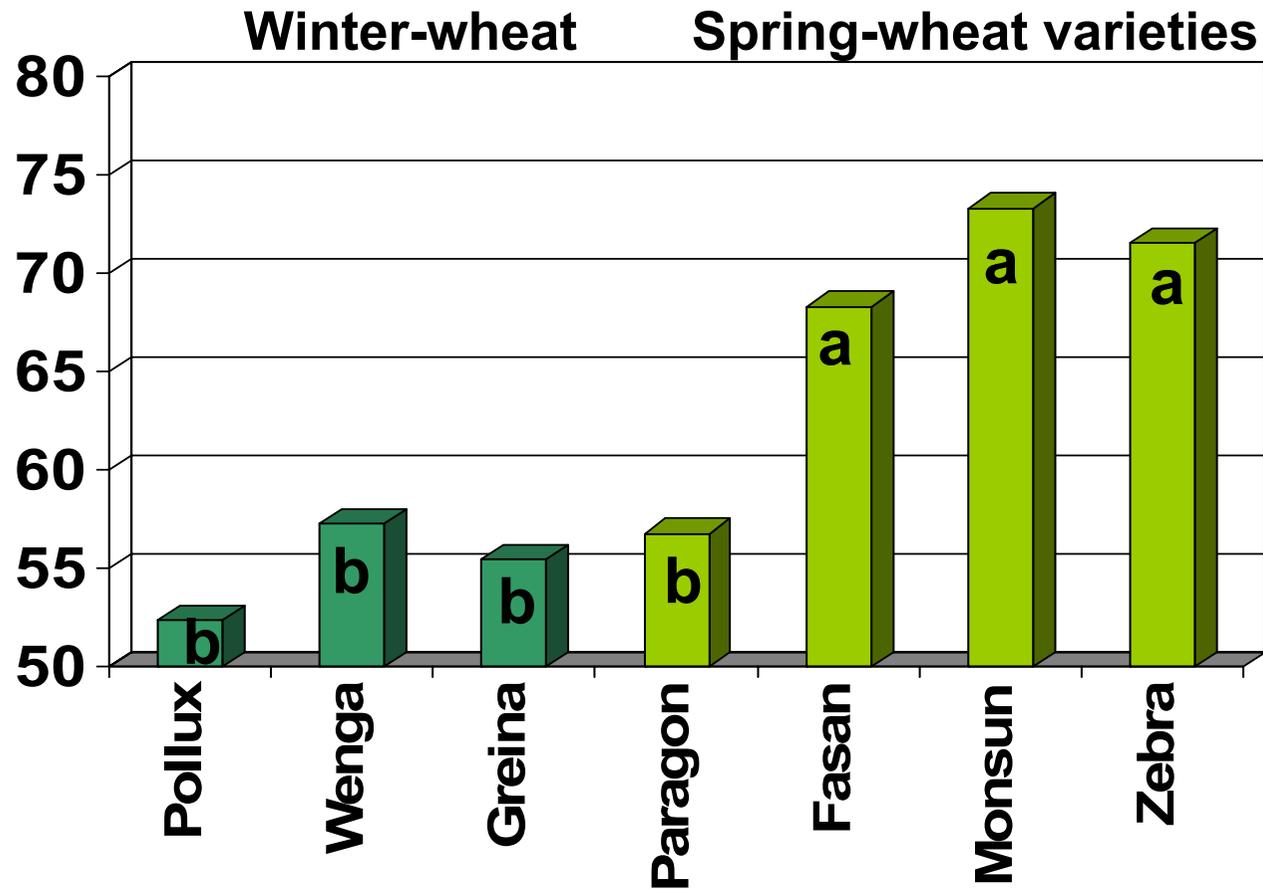




Effect of **optimised clover based N-input regimes** on  
and **green waste compost** amendments  
baking quality related parameters in  
different winter and spring wheat varieties

SEM = 1.4 - 3.6

Hardness



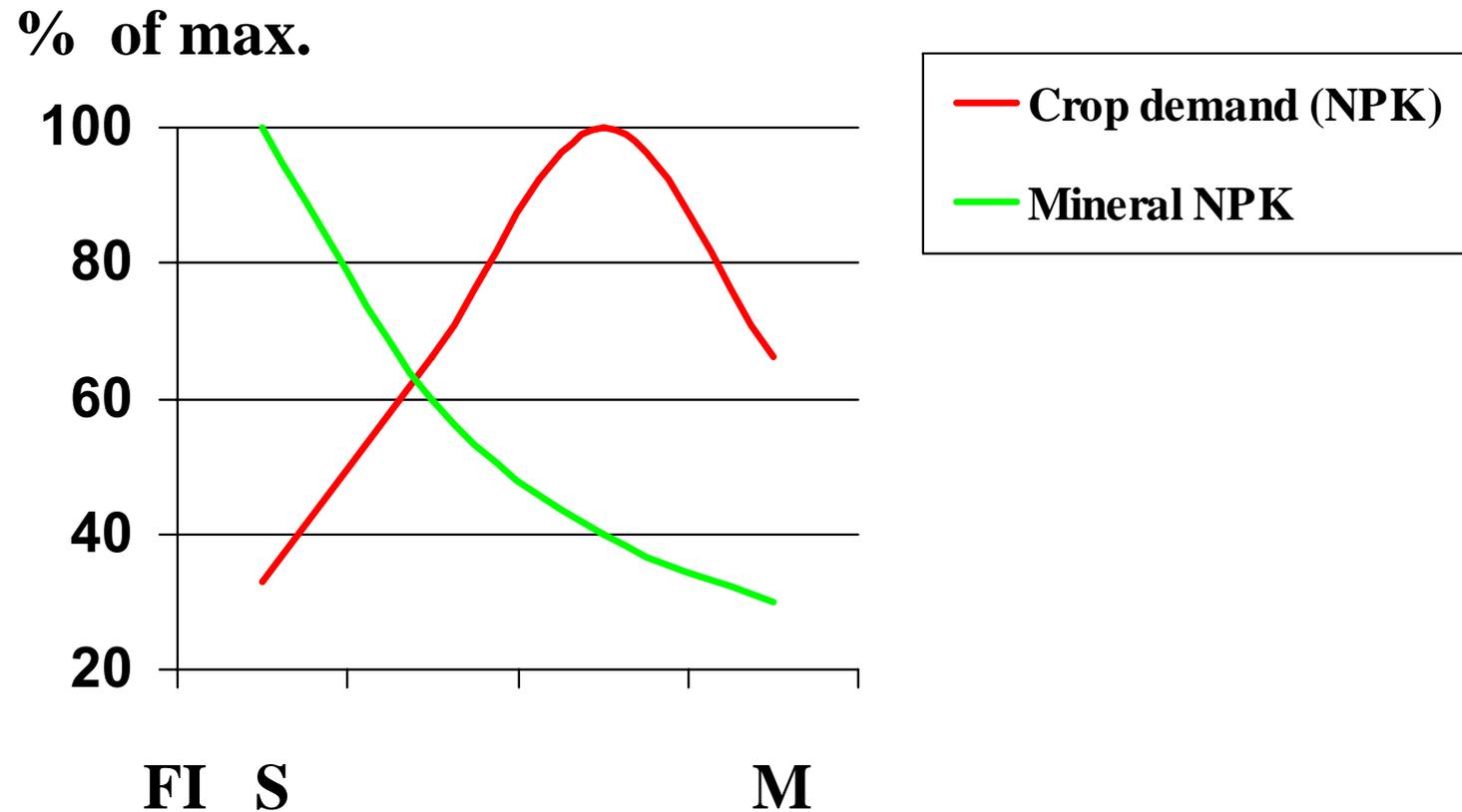


## **Additional slides**





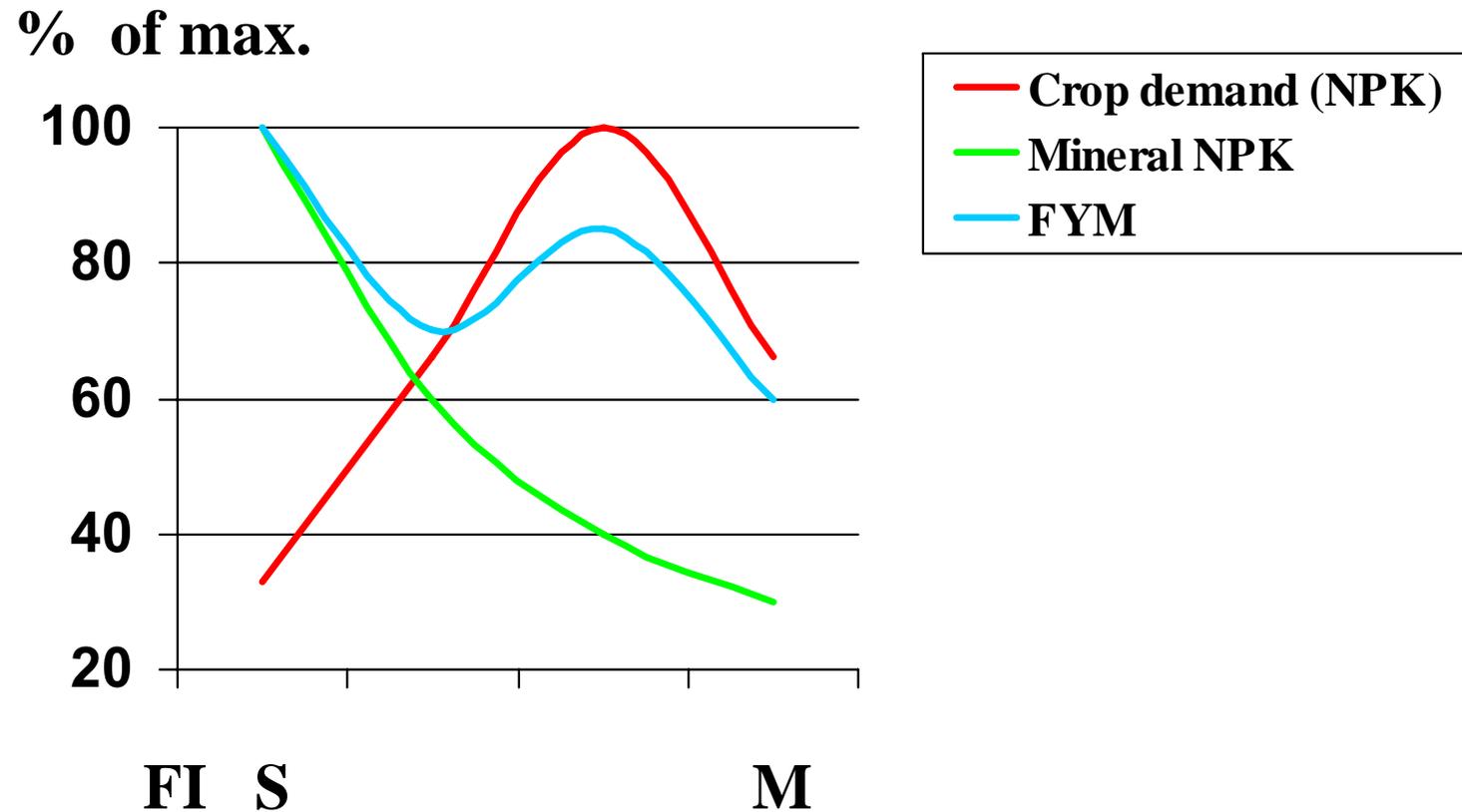
## Organic matter based fertility management: Matching mineralisation with crop demand



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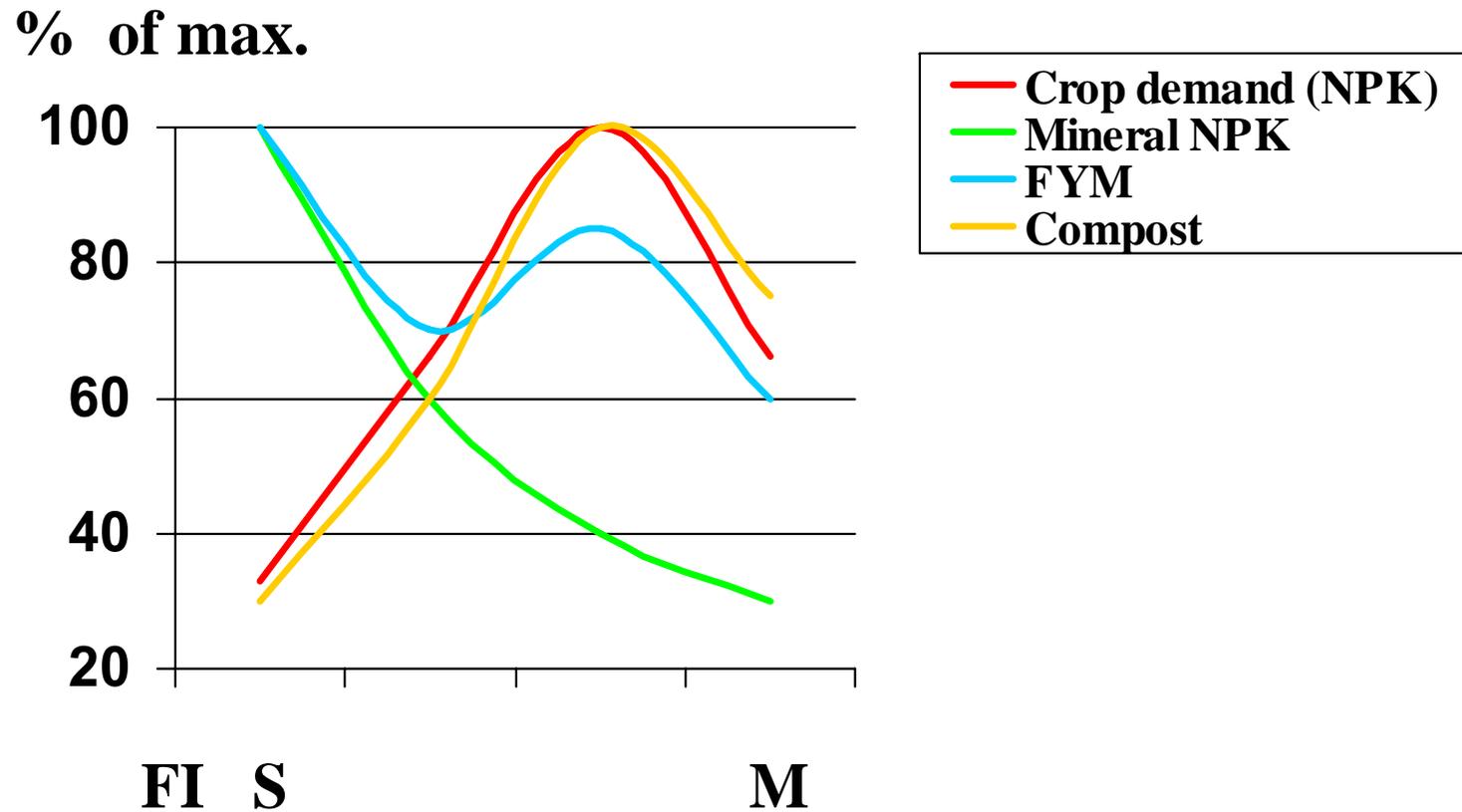
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**Target: Reduced energy use and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in agriculture**

## **R&D needs and objectives**

- **Improving nitrogen-fixation (legume) based N-inputs**
- **Improving organic matter-based fertility management systems**
- **Developing crop varieties suitable for “low input” food production systems**
  - **Nutrient use efficiency** from organic matter based fertility inputs
  - **Resistance to novel disease, pest and weed challenges** associated with “lower input” systems
  - For example for wheat
    - ◆ **less focus** on powdery mildew, rusts and
    - ◆ **more focus** on Septoria and insect pest resistance



# Does this apply also to the developing world?

**Yes, even more, because:**

- **Farmers in the developing world (especially the very poor countries) can not afford mineral fertilisers and especially pesticides inputs**
- **Mineral fertilisers and pesticide use in developing countries are mainly used to produce for export to the developed world**
  - **Pesticides that are banned/restricted in Europe (e.g. methyl bromide, organochlorine compounds), because of their global environmental/human health impacts, are used**
  - **Health impacts in humans due to environmental pesticide exposure are much more widespread**



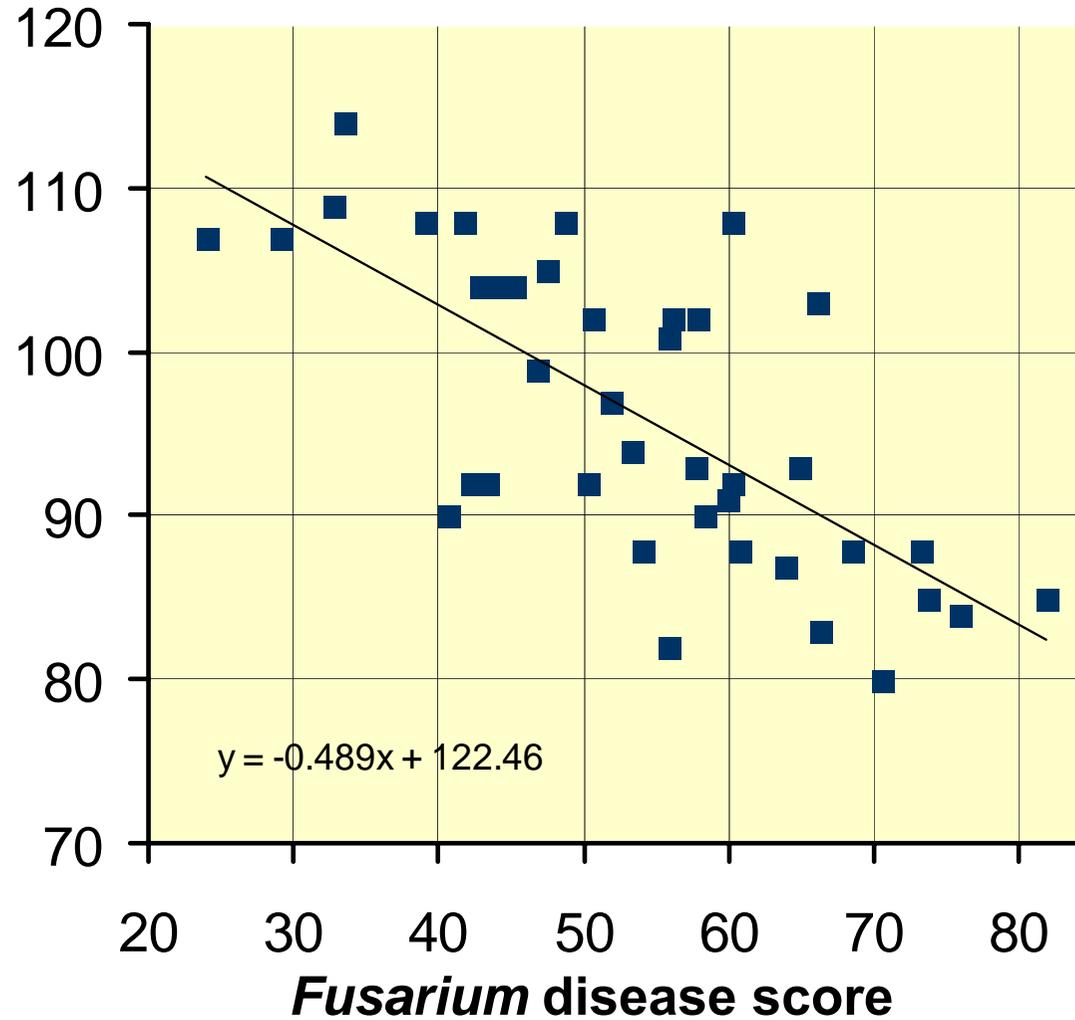
## Baking quality of wheat genotypes

Baking Quality	Straw length		
	Long	intermediate	short
<b>Very High E</b>	1. Bussard 2. Fasan (S)		
<b>High A</b>	1. Asketis 2. Strube	1. Cubus 2. Trend 3. Chablis (S) 4. Merk (S)	1. Malacca 2. Piccolo (S) 3. Star (S) 4. Velos (S)
<b>Satis- factory B</b>	1. Drifter	1. Greif 2. NEW21-1	1. Macro 2. Habicht 3. Aardvark
<b>Livestock feed C</b>	1. Previa	1. Certo	1. Biscay 2. Genghis 3. Buccaneer



## Correlation between susceptibility to *Fusarium* grain infections & stem length in winter-wheat

Straw length  
(cm)





## Yield obtained with and without standard fungicide regime by winter-wheat varieties listed in Germany

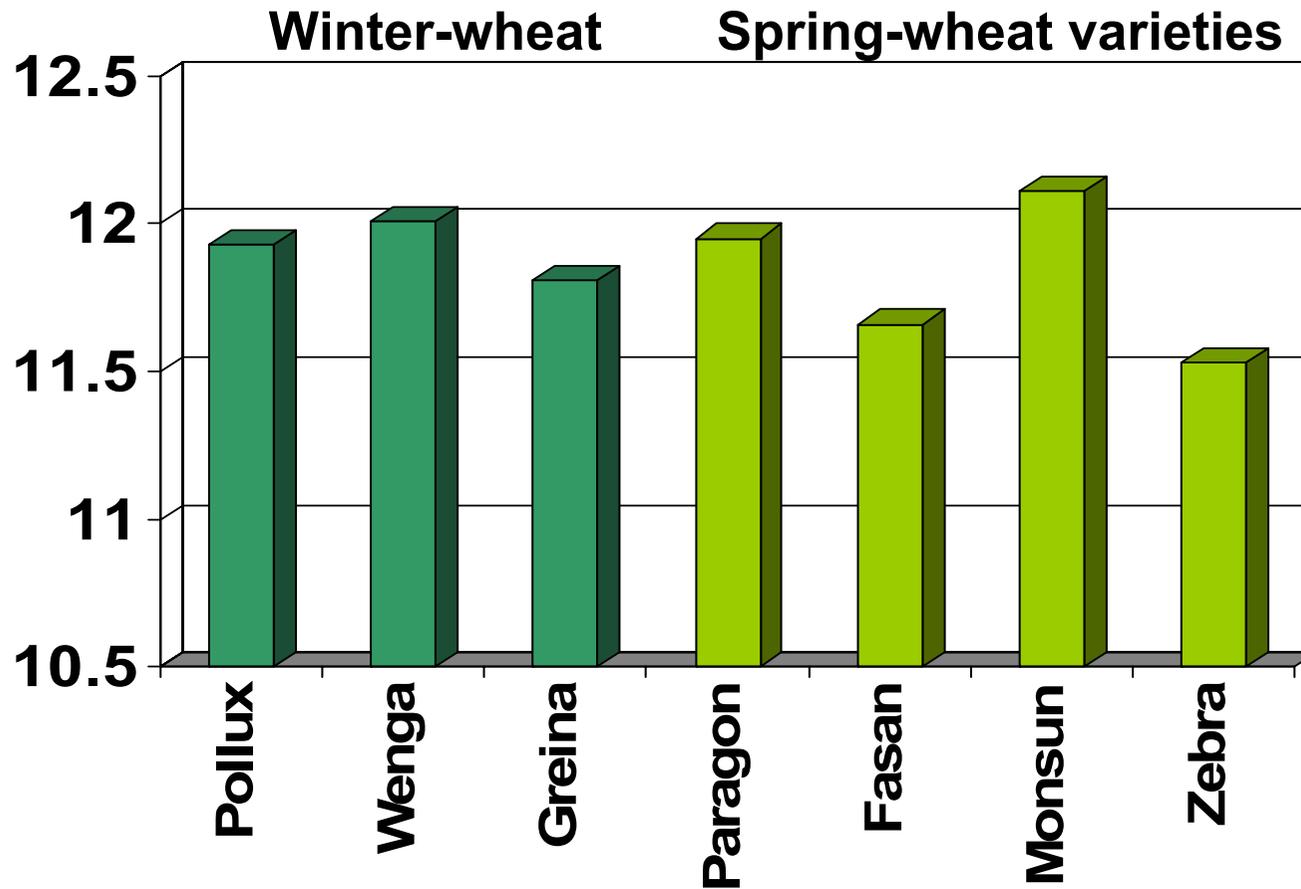
Varieties	% Market share	Yield (t/ha)		
		- fungi cides	+ fungi cide	additional yield (%)
<b>15 least responsive varieties</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>9</b>
- Certo	-	9.0	10.0	10
<b>15 most responsive varieties</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>16</b>
- Contur	-	8.0	9.9	19
<b>mean of all listed varieties</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>13</b>



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SEM = 0.12 – 0.71

Specific weight

