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CONTINUOUS MAIZE

Object: To monitor the fate of organic carbon in the soil organic matter - Woburn, Stackyard A I.

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The 10th year, forage maize and s. barley.

For previous years see 97-05/W/CS/478.

Design: 3 randomised blocks of 6 plots.

Plot dimensions: 9.0 x 25.0.

Treatments:

CROP	Crop and straw treatments:
M	Continuous maize, stubble incorporated
(M)B	S. barley after five years maize, stubble incorporated
MT	Maize, stubble plus 10 t maize tops incorporated
(B)M	Maize after three years of spring barley, straw removed
BT	Continuous spring barley, straw removed plus 10 t maize tops incorporated
B	Continuous spring barley, straw removed

Experimental diary:

09-Nov-05 : T : BT, MT : Maize tops applied at 10 tonnes.
16-Nov-05 : B : : Muriate of potash at 181 kg.
: B : : Triple superphosphate at 171 kg.
: B : : Ploughed 30 cm wide furrows.
05-Apr-06 : B : : Flexitined.
: T : (M)B, BT, B: Drilled, Optic, tr. Raxil Pro, at 350 seeds/m², rolled.
11-May-06 : B : : Double Top (27% N, 12% S) at 356 kg.
: T : (B)M, MT, M: Power harrowed.
12-May-06 : T : (B)M, MT, M: Drilled, Hudson, tr. Thiram, Methiocarb, Fludioxonil, Metalaxyl M, at 10.2 seeds/m²
17-May-06 : B : (M)B, BT, B: tm)Quantum SX at 30.0 g in 200 l.
: B : : tm)Acanto at 0.5 l in 200 l.
: B : : tm)Corbel at 0.5 l in 200 l.
: B : : tm)Manganese 15% Mn at 3.0 l in 200 l.
: B : : tm)Unix at 0.5 kg in 200 l.
: B : : tm)Duplosan KV at 2.0 l in 200 l.
07-Jun-06 : T : (B)M, MT, M: tm)Jester at 0.5 kg in 200 l.
: tm)Griffin Gex 1664 at 0.2 l in 200 l.
27-Aug-06 : T : (M)B, BT, B: Combine harvested plots for yield, swathed straw.
: T : (M)B, BT, B: Combine harvested discards, swathed straw.
: T : (M)B, BT, B: Baled.
05-Oct-06 : T : (B)M, MT, M: Cut sample areas, weighed, and sampled.
16-Oct-06 : T : (B)M, MT, M: Cut discards.

NOTE: Forage maize and barley grain samples were taken for N analysis.

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MAIZE

WHOLE CROP (AT 100% DRY MATTER) TONNES/HECTARE

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

CROP	
M	11.24
MT	11.86
(B)M	9.86
Mean	10.99

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

CROP
1.216

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

Stratum	d.f.	s.e.	cv%
Blocks.Plots	4	1.490	13.6

MEAN DM% 42.1

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00108

SPRING BARLEY

GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

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

CROP	
(M)B	2.46
BT	3.32
B	2.58
Mean	2.79

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

CROP
0.149

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

Stratum	d.f.	s.e.	cv%
Blocks.Plots	4	0.183	6.6

MEAN DM% 86.0

AVERAGE PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00513