

New Technologies: Products and Additives

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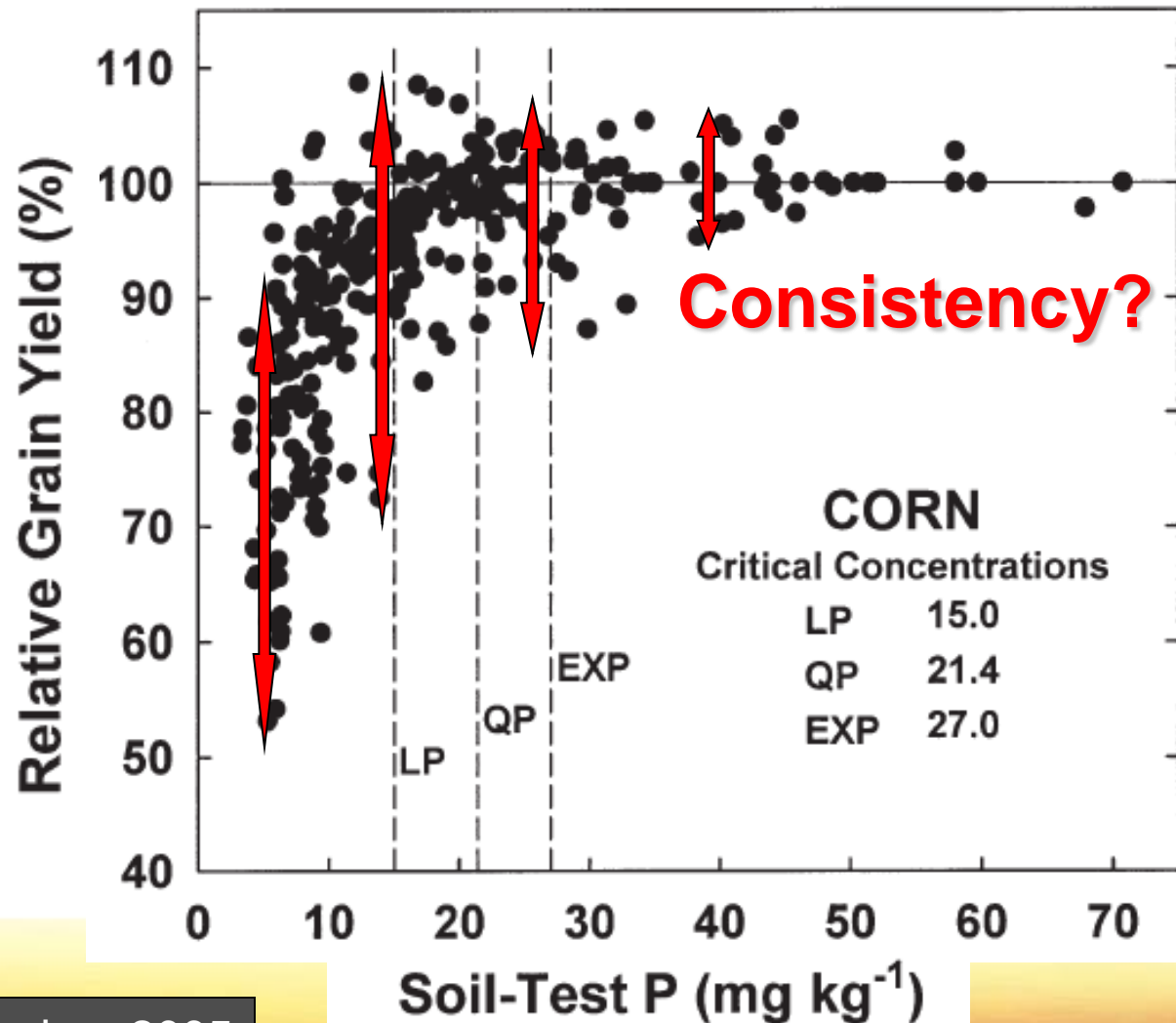
Evaluation Of New Technologies

- **We Should Be Somewhat Skeptical**
 - Has The Company Invested In Product Research?
 - Research with Universities, Private Contractors and In-House Personnel
 - Does It Make Sense?
 - But Keep In Mind That New Ground Has Is Continually Being Broken
 - Is It Benefiting from Past Inputs/Management?
 - For Example, Nutrient Soil Tests That Have Been Previously Been Built

Evaluation Of New Technologies

- **We Should Also Be Open Minded, Willing To Sometimes Change Our Ingrained Viewpoints and Progressive**
 - Everything Is New At Some Time
 - Internet, N-Serve, GPS, Fungicides
 - Things Are Not Necessarily The Same As Before
 - Yield Levels Are Much Higher
 - Companies Invest Huge Amounts Of Dollars In Research and Development
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Relationship between Bray P and relative corn yield in three long-term Iowa studies over 30 years



Corn Nitrogen Rate Calculator

Finding the Maximum Return To N and Most Profitable N Rate

A Regional (Corn Belt) Approach to Nitrogen Rate Guidelines

State: Iowa

Number of sites: 188

Rotation: Corn Following Soybean

Non-Responsive Sites Included

Nitrogen Price (\$/lb): 0.63

Corn Price (\$/bu): 4.00

Price Ratio: 0.16

Iowa
C/S Rotation
28% UAN @ \$ 350/ton
Corn @ \$ 4.00/bu

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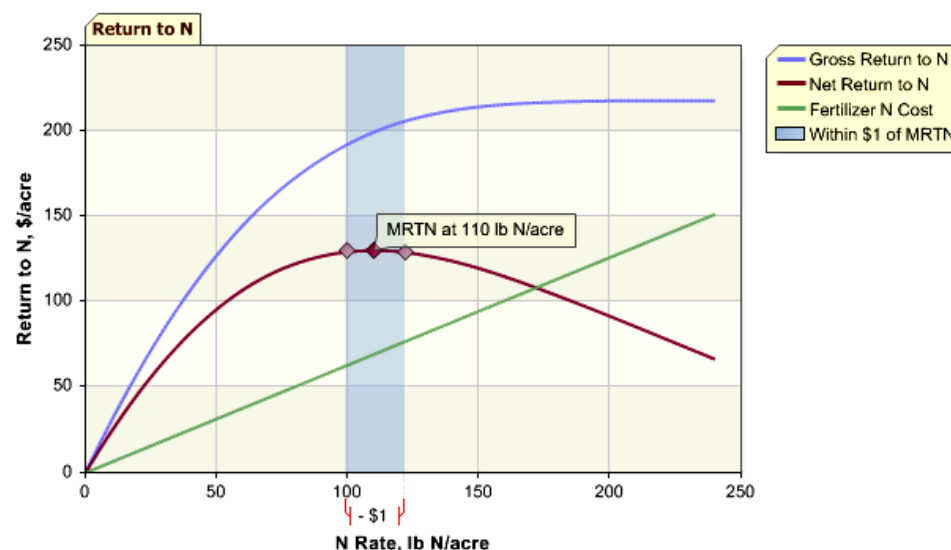
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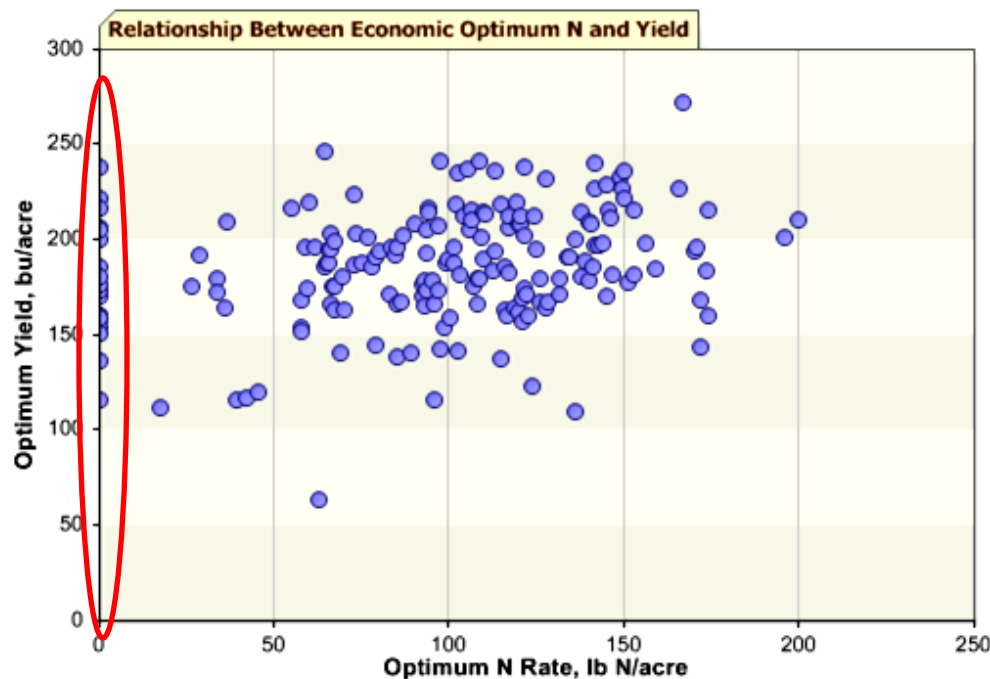
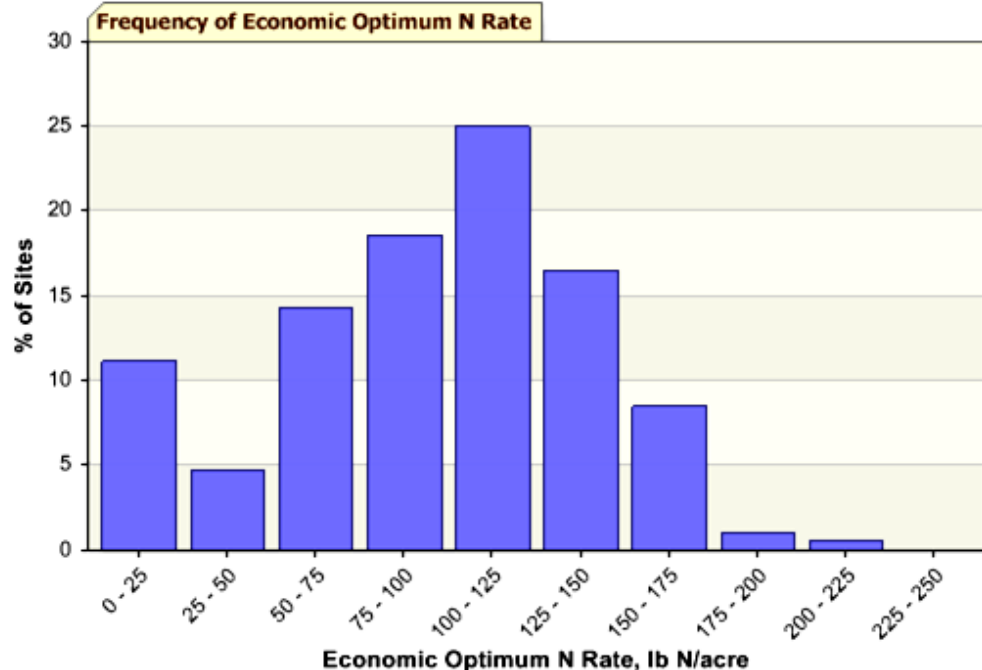
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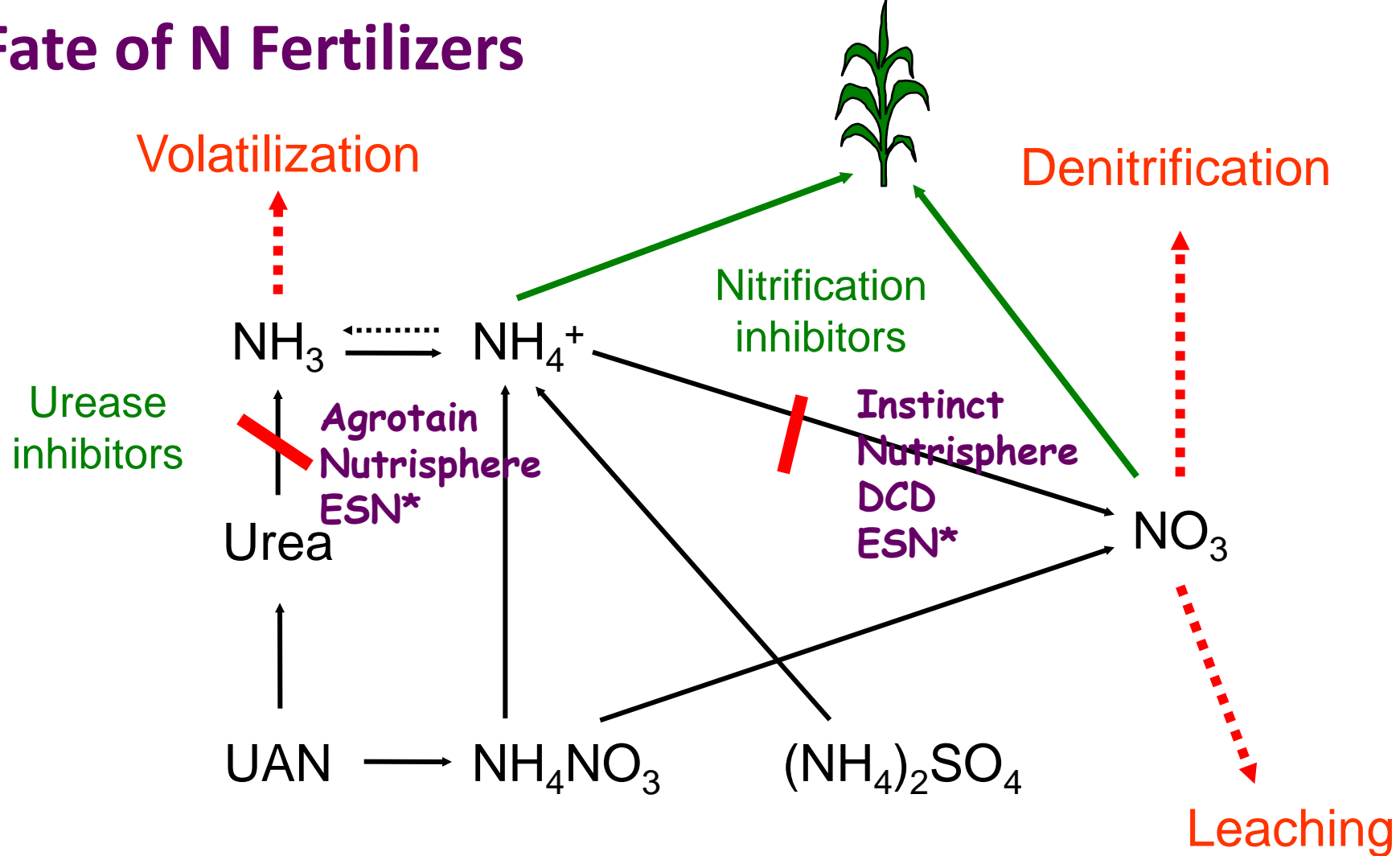
Consistency and/or Predictability?



Enhanced Efficiency N Products

- It is important to understand
 - How different modes of action should be used with different loss mechanisms
 - Where and when benefits are possible
- In some cases, benefits may not occur unless specific conditions are met
- Enhanced efficiency products are one potential answer

Fate of N Fertilizers



Uncoated, Slowly Available Compounds

- Protect N by delaying N availability
- Generally rely on biochemical decomposition
- Protection time typically weeks to months
- Release rate determined by
 - Chemical structure (resistance to breakdown)
 - Molecular weight/degree of polymerization
 - Environmental conditions
- Release slow but generally uncontrolled

**Methylene Ureas, Urea Formaldehydes,
Triazone, etc.**

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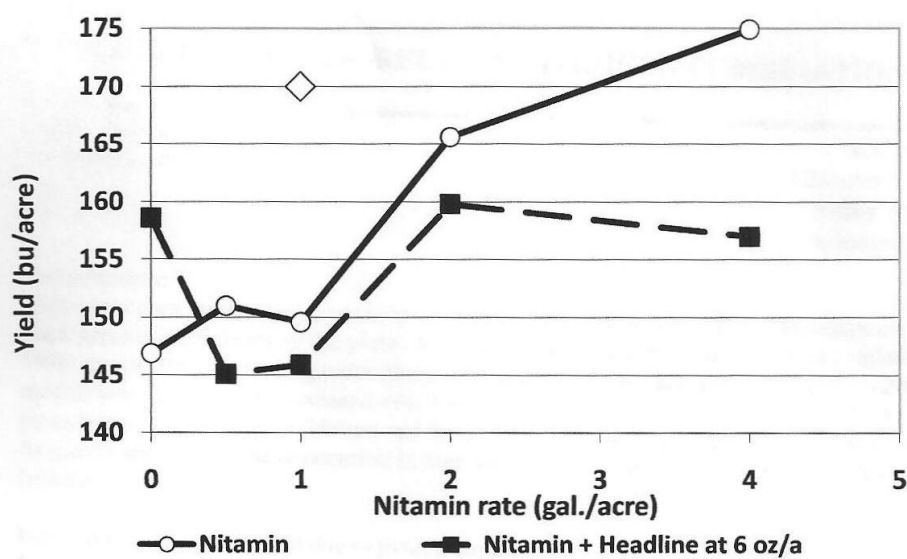


Figure 1. Grain yield response to Nitamin rates with and without Headline at 6 oz/acre or 3 oz/acre plus nonionic surfactant at 0.25% v/v in 2008. LSD ($P \leq 0.05$) was 18. Mixing order is the sequence listed in the legend.

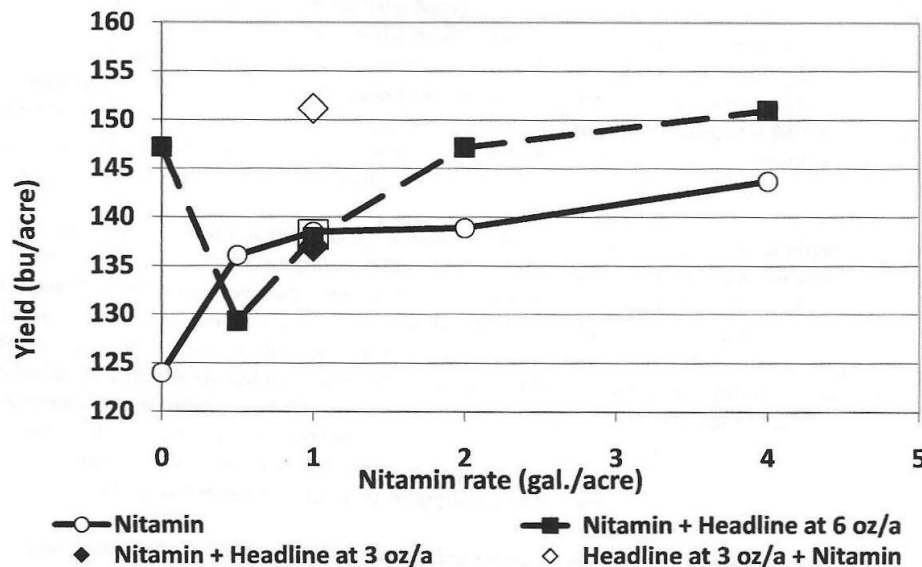


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N-Sure®

N-Pact

GRADUAL-N



Leikam
AgroMax

K. Nelson, P. Motavalli and B. Burdick
University of Missouri

Agrotain (NBPT)

- Disrupts urease activity from 7 to 14 days and decreases potential volatilization loss.
 - ✓ Primary use is on surface applied urea
 - ✓ Combined with DCD (Agrotain Plus/Super U) slows nitrification when urea or UAN are incorporated into soil.



1994 Nitrogen Source Study on No-till corn, Poplar Hill Research and Education Facility, University of Maryland

No-till corn into a small grain (wheat) double cropped soybean stubble.
All liquid materials were broadcast between rows when corn was 12" tall.

TREATMENTS	YIELD BU/A
Check P&K only	77.5
Urea (46-0-0)	150.5
Urea with AGROTAIN	176.5
30% UAN Solution Broadcast	166.9
30% UAN Solution Injected	173.9
UAN with AGROTAIN	182.3
UAN with AGROTAIN & DCD	173.7
UAN with 8-0-0-9 (ammonium sulfate)	185.4
SuperU	176.8

F. R. Mulford, Maryland

Utilization of AGROTAIN Treated Urea In A Corn Cropping System In Alabama

AUBURN UNIVERSITY (ALABAMA) - C. W. Wood, C. G. Cummings, R. Duffield

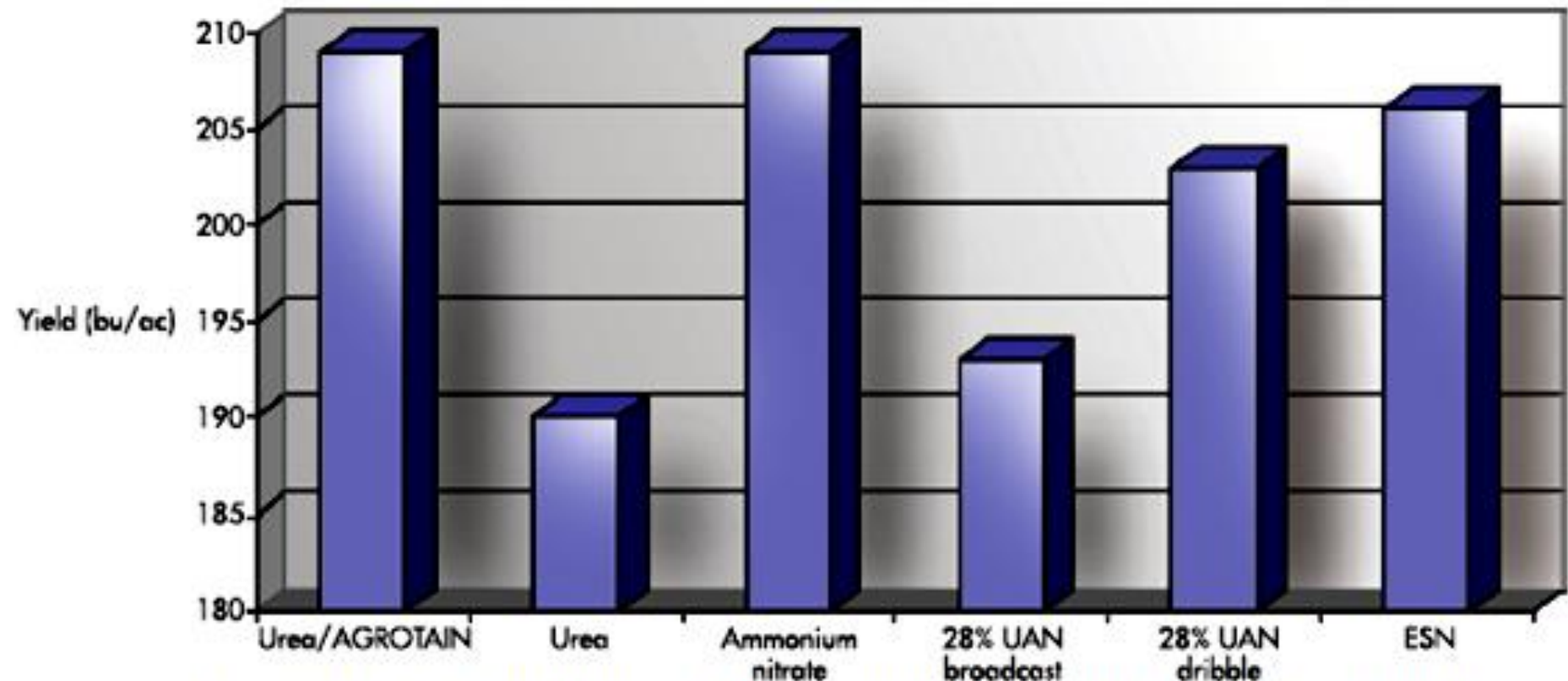
Treatment	N Rate (lb/acre)	
	100	200
	yield (bu/acre)	
AGROTAIN Urea	110.8	116.0
Urea	102.1	107.3
Ammonium Nitrate	98.8	99.0

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS - B. Hoefft,
Evaluation Of AGROTAIN Nitrogen Stabilizer

Experiments were established at two Illinois locations to evaluate the effect of N rate and AGROTAIN on the N concentration of ear leaf corn samples collected at tasseling and on corn yield at maturity when applied with urea and UAN solutions. N treatments were 0, 80, 120, 160, and 200 lb/acre N. Due to an abnormally wet spring and summer, treatment applications were delayed in hopes of finding a rain-free period. Summary: Limited yield response associated with the surface applications and receipt of rain (1.65") within 5 days of applications did not allow the AGROTAIN an opportunity to express its effectiveness as a Nitrogen Stabilizer. Out of 8 NBPT comparison, it significantly increased yield at 2,120 lb/acre N (+14) and 200 lb/acre N (+20.5).

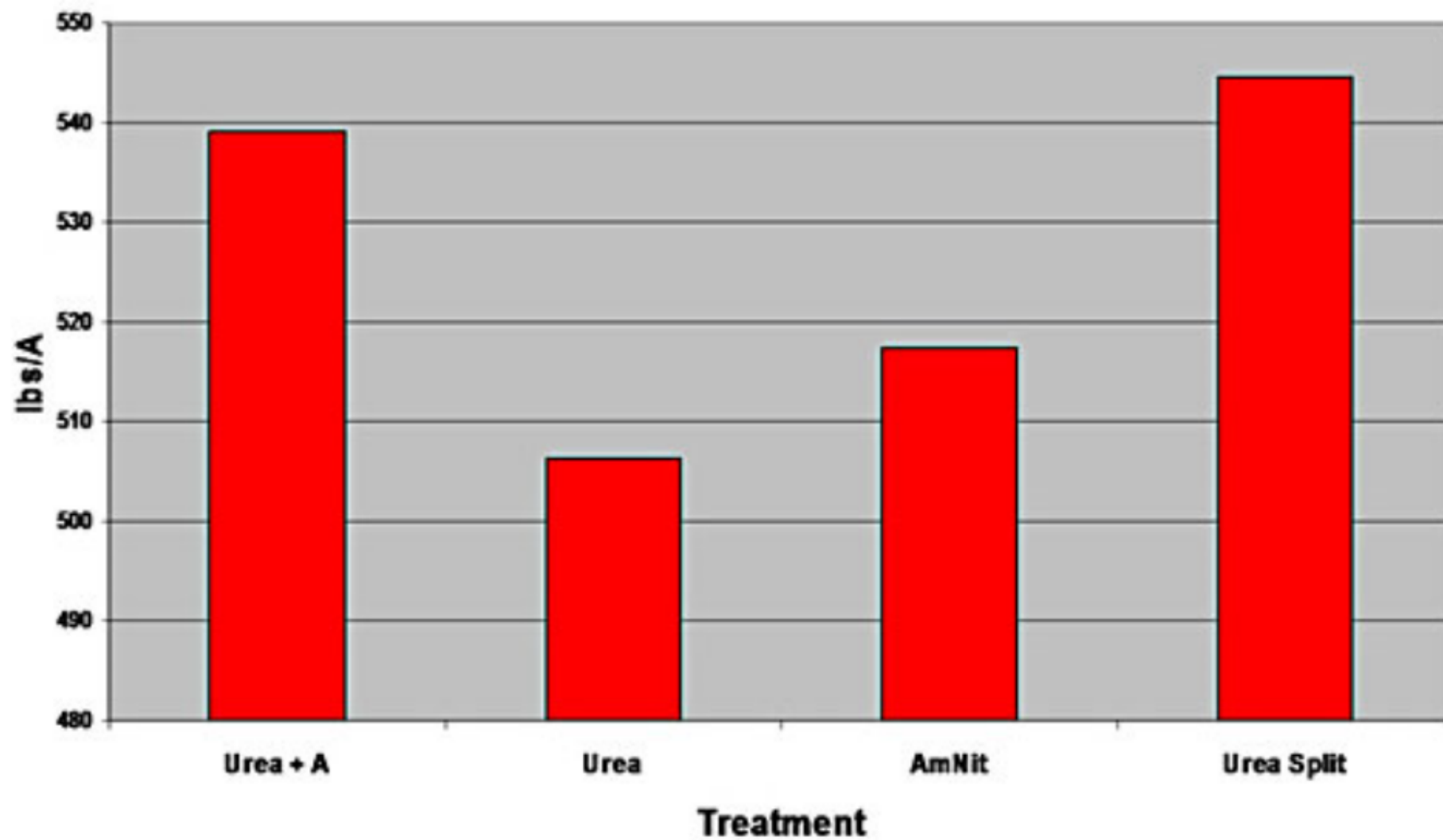
N Source	120 lb/acre N	200 lb/acre N
	yield (bu/acre)	
AGROTAIN Urea	120.9	131.4
Urea	106.8	110.9
Advantage	+14.1	+20.5

Effects of N source on corn grain yield with 80 + 80 lb split applied N/ac; Scandia, Kansas, 2004

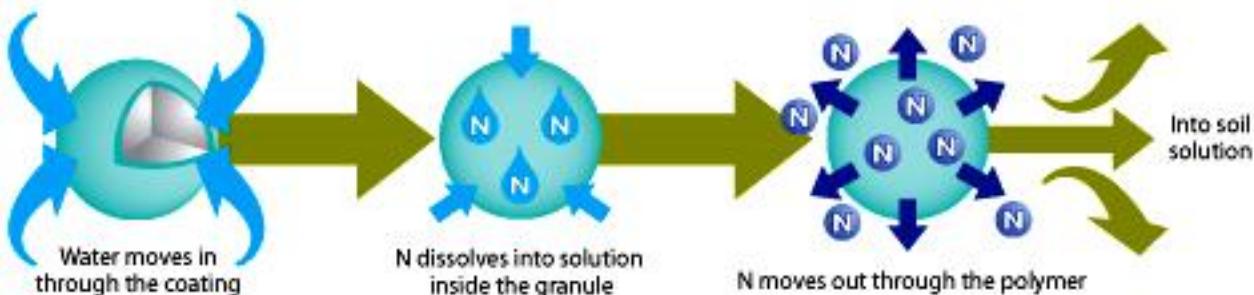


Source: Kansas State University Agronomy Field Research, Irrigation and North Central Kansas Experimental Field.

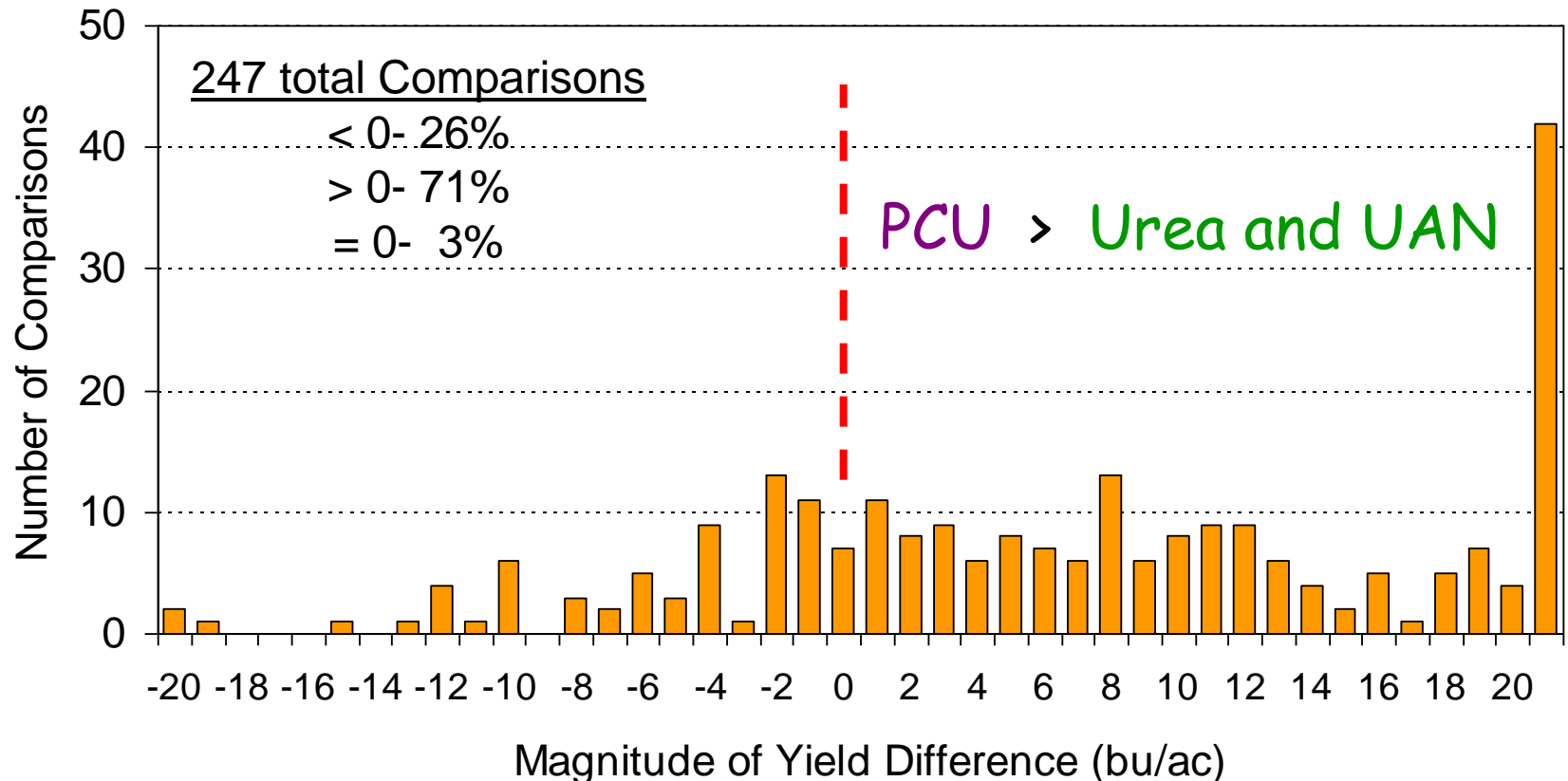
No-Till Cotton Yields University of Tennessee



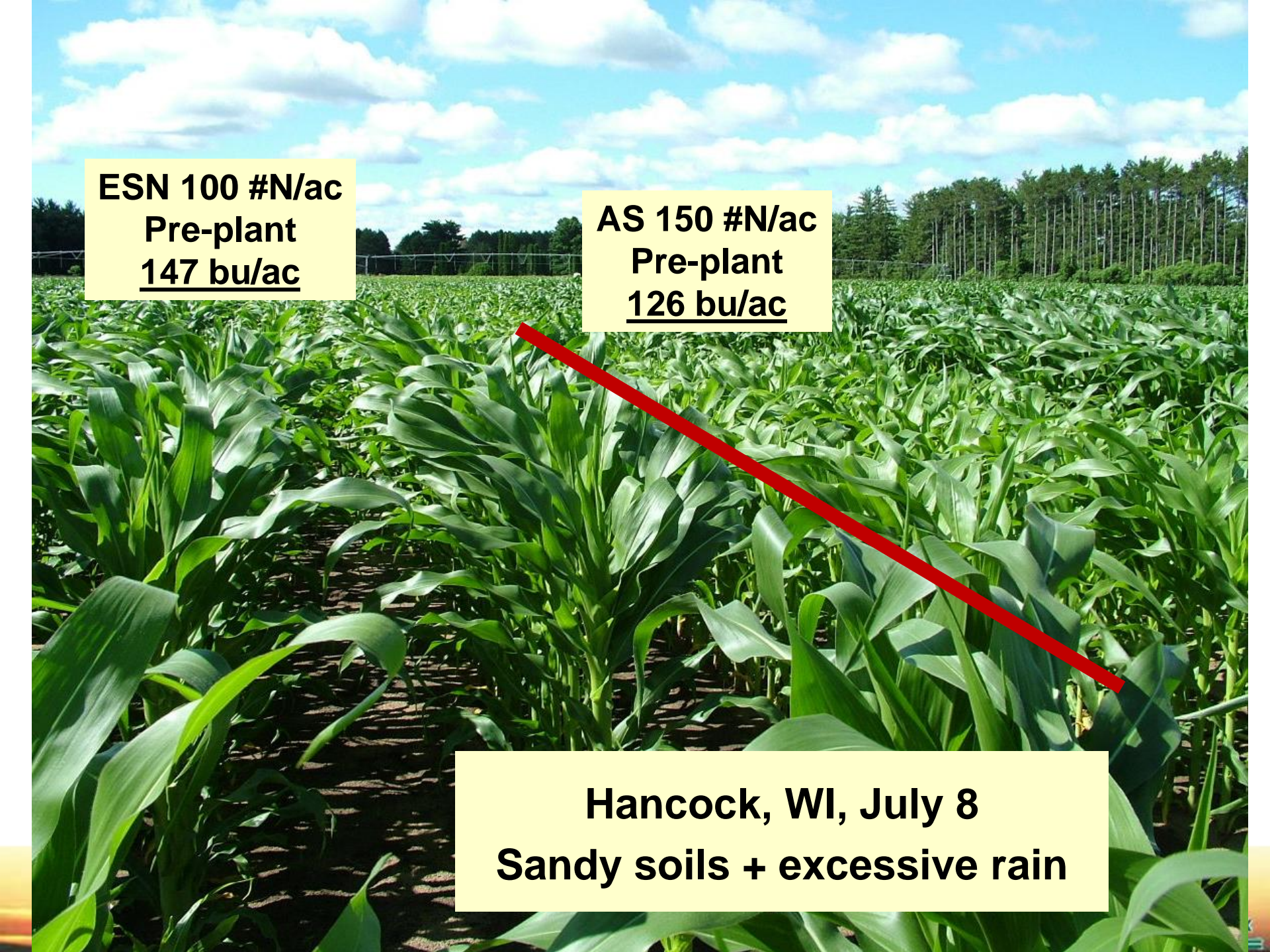
- Polymer coatings applied to soluble fertilizer
- Release by diffusion through coating
- Release rate determined by
 - Polymer chemistry, thickness, coating process
 - Temperature and moisture
- Controlled release vs delayed release



Comparisons of pre-plant PCU with urea and UAN at equal N rates



Compilation of data from source-rate studies and trials in the US Corn Belt, 2000-2005
A. Blaylock, personal communication

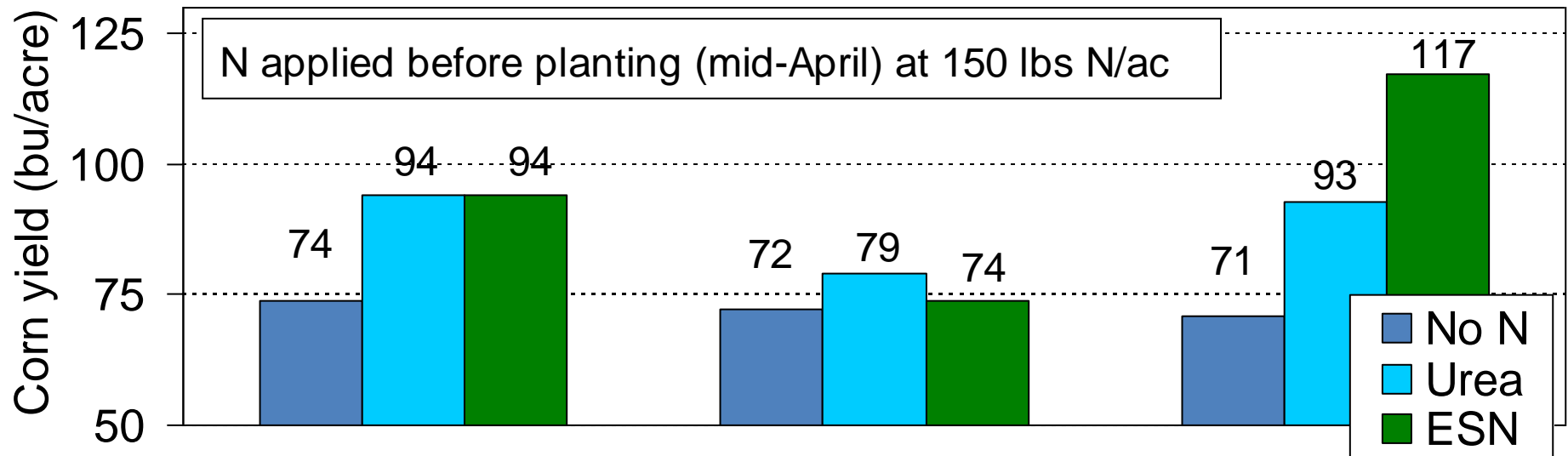
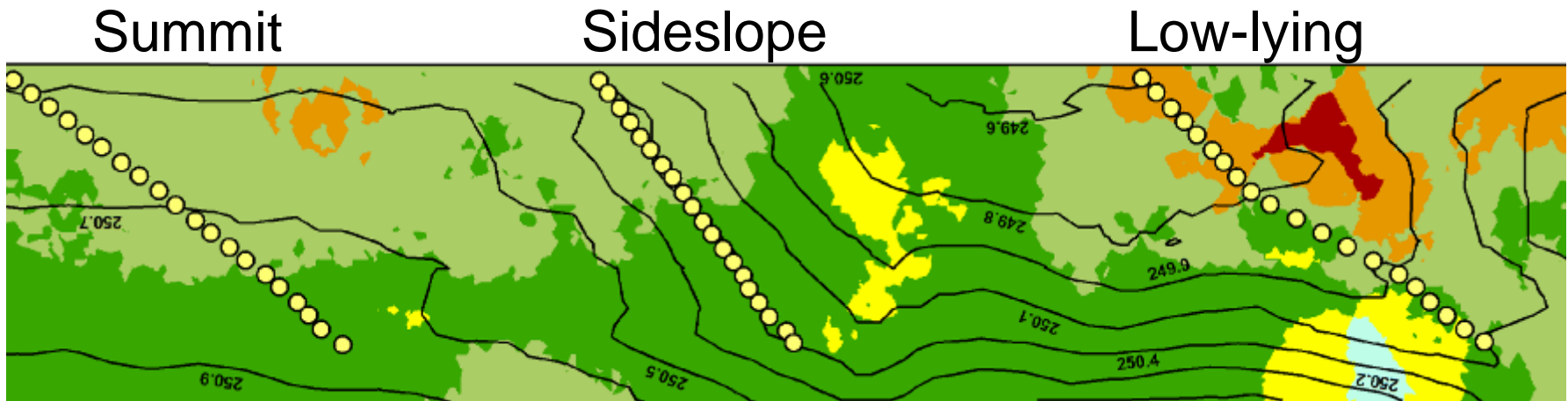
A photograph of a cornfield with rows of green corn plants. A thick red diagonal line runs from the upper left towards the lower right, crossing the field. In the background, there is a line of trees under a blue sky with white clouds.

ESN 100 #N/ac
Pre-plant
147 bu/ac

AS 150 #N/ac
Pre-plant
126 bu/ac

Hancock, WI, July 8
Sandy soils + excessive rain

Variable-Source N Fertilization Greenley, MO, 2005



Source: Drs. P. Motavalli, K. Nelson, Missouri, 2005.

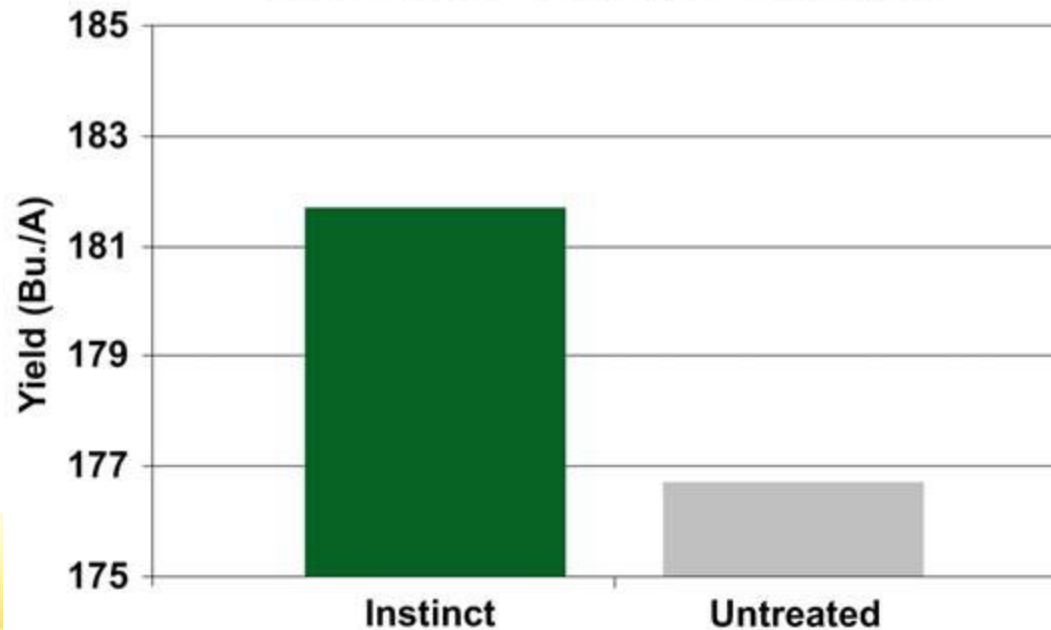
Instinct

Encapsulated *Nitrapyrin*
for use with urea
ammonium nitrate
(UAN) and liquid
manure

2008 Iowa Trial Locations of Instinct™ Nitrogen Stabilizer



Yield Results of 2008 Iowa Field Trials
for Instinct™ Nitrogen Stabilizer



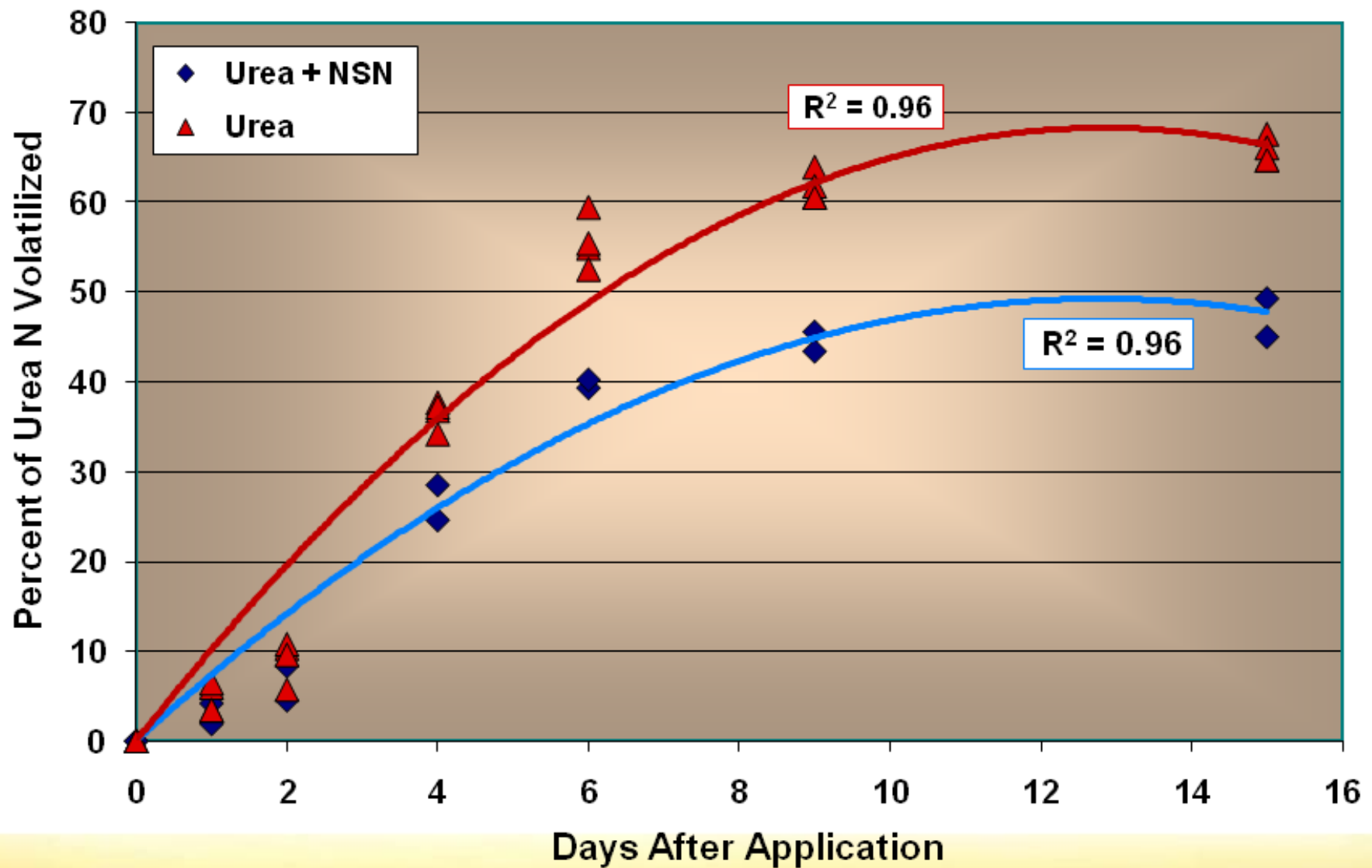
NutriSphere-N

- Thought to complex multivalent cations removing them from biochemical processes.
 - Combines with Ni to reduce urease activity.
 - Combines with Fe and Cu to reduce micro-organism metabolic activity delaying nitrification.

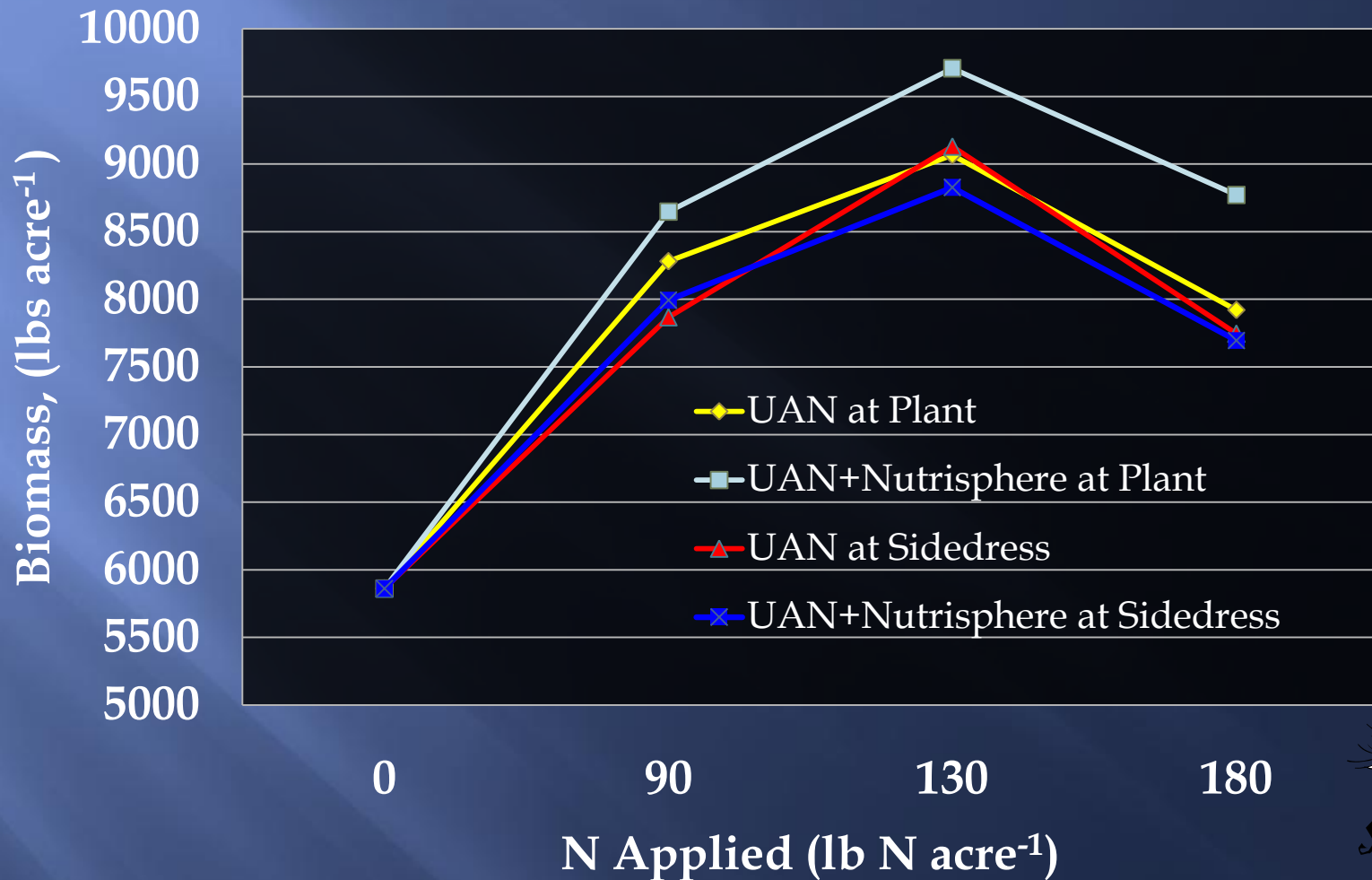
The screenshot displays the NutriSphere-N website. The navigation bar at the top includes links for HOME, HOW IT WORKS, PRODUCTS, RESEARCH / DATA, and CONTACT US. The main content area is titled "Research / Data" and features the tagline "Claims are one thing. Proving it is something else." Below this, a paragraph states: "Those who work in agriculture are pretty skeptical. And for good reason. 'Miracle solutions' come and go, and they rarely deliver as promised." Another paragraph explains: "And that's exactly why NutriSphere-N® was subjected to a battery of testing, in the lab and in the field, covering the spectrum of soil types, conditions, and crops. And in one university study after another, one thing was clear: No matter if your soil is clay, sandy, wet or dry, no matter your soil pH, no matter what region of the country, NutriSphere-N will increase the availability of urea and UAN, increasing yield potential for an entire growing season." A final line asks, "Still skeptical? Here's the proof to back it up." Below the text is a map of the United States divided into five regions, each labeled with a black box: West, Midwest, Northeast, South, and Southeast.

Effect Of NSN On Urea N Volatilization - Laboratory Study

M. Cabrera, Univ. Georgia

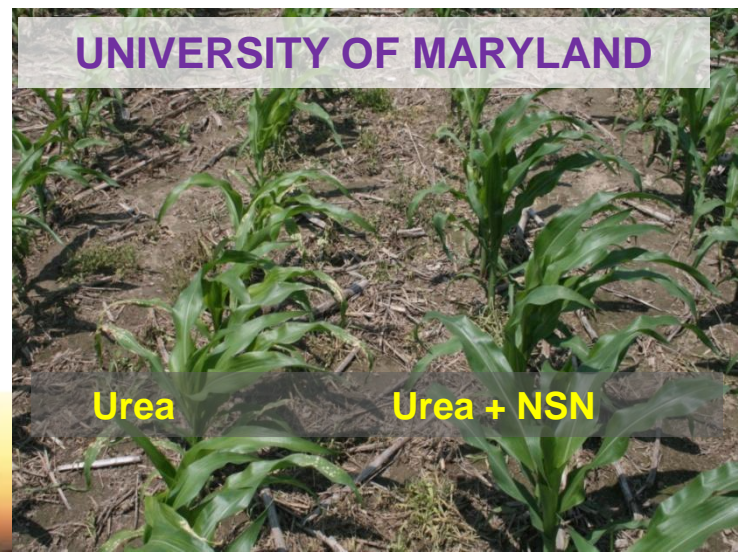
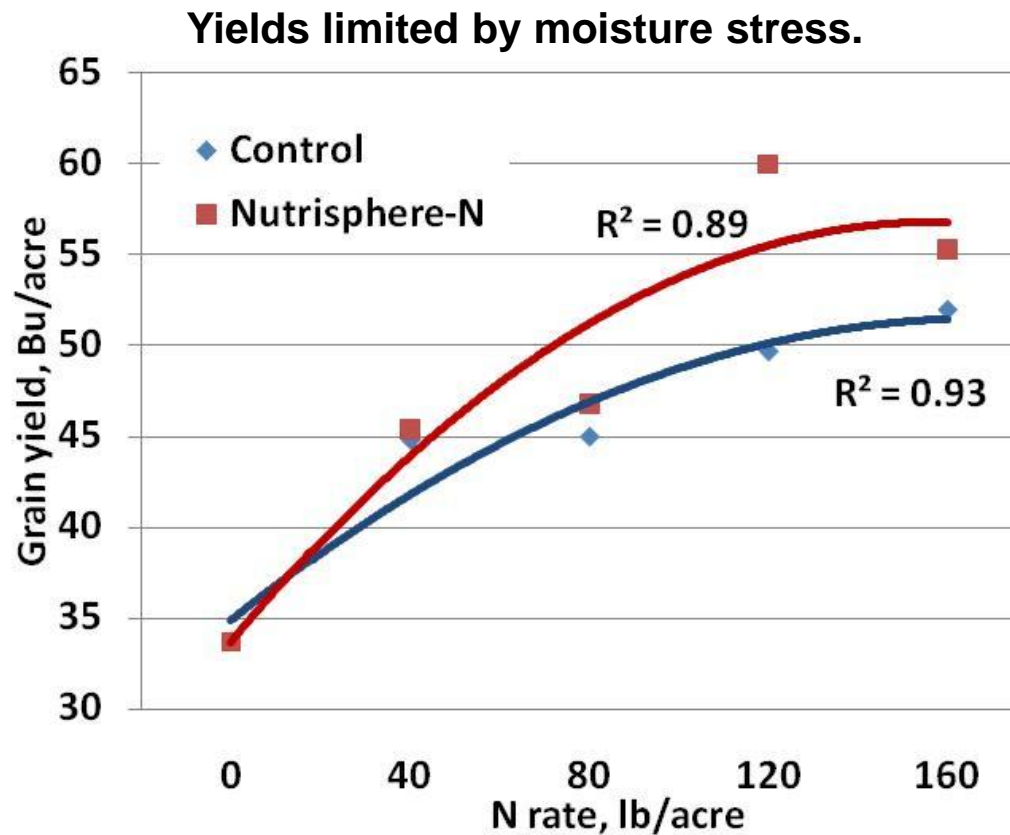


Biomass R1: Pamlico County - 2009



NUTRISPHERE-N EFFECTS ON DRYLAND CORN

Clemson University



N Source and Nutrisphere Effect on Corn Yield

F. Yin, Univ. of Tennessee, 2009

N Rate	Corn Yield (bu/a)		
	Urea	Urea + N-N	Average
120	121	124	123
150	131	139	135
180	142	153	148
Average	132	139	
Nutrisphere		p > f	< 0.07
N Rate		p > f	< 0.05

N Source and Nutrisphere Effects On Corn Yield

S. Ebelhar and C. Hart, Univ. of Illinois, 2009

	<u>Nutrisphere</u>	<u>Corn Yield</u>
Check	No	133
Urea	No	191
Urea	Yes	198
UAN	No	193
UAN	Yes	200
Amm. Sulfate	No	228
Amm. Sulfate	Yes	238
Amm. Sulfate-Nitrate	No	227
Amm. Sulfate-Nitrate	Yes	237
	p > f	< 0.01
Without Nutrisphere		210
With Nutrisphere		218
	p > f	< 0.05
Urea		194
UAN		196
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Amm. Sulfate-Nitrate		232
	p > f	<0.01

“.... The N sources of AN, AS, ASN all resulted in significantly higher yields than the urea or UAN sources. The addition of Nutrisphere-N to the N sources increased yields by 8.5 bu/a on average across N rates and sources. The addition of Nutrisphere-N to AS and ASN gave both an agronomic and economic response. Higher yields with S containing fertilizers point to a need for considering S in corn fertilization programs.”

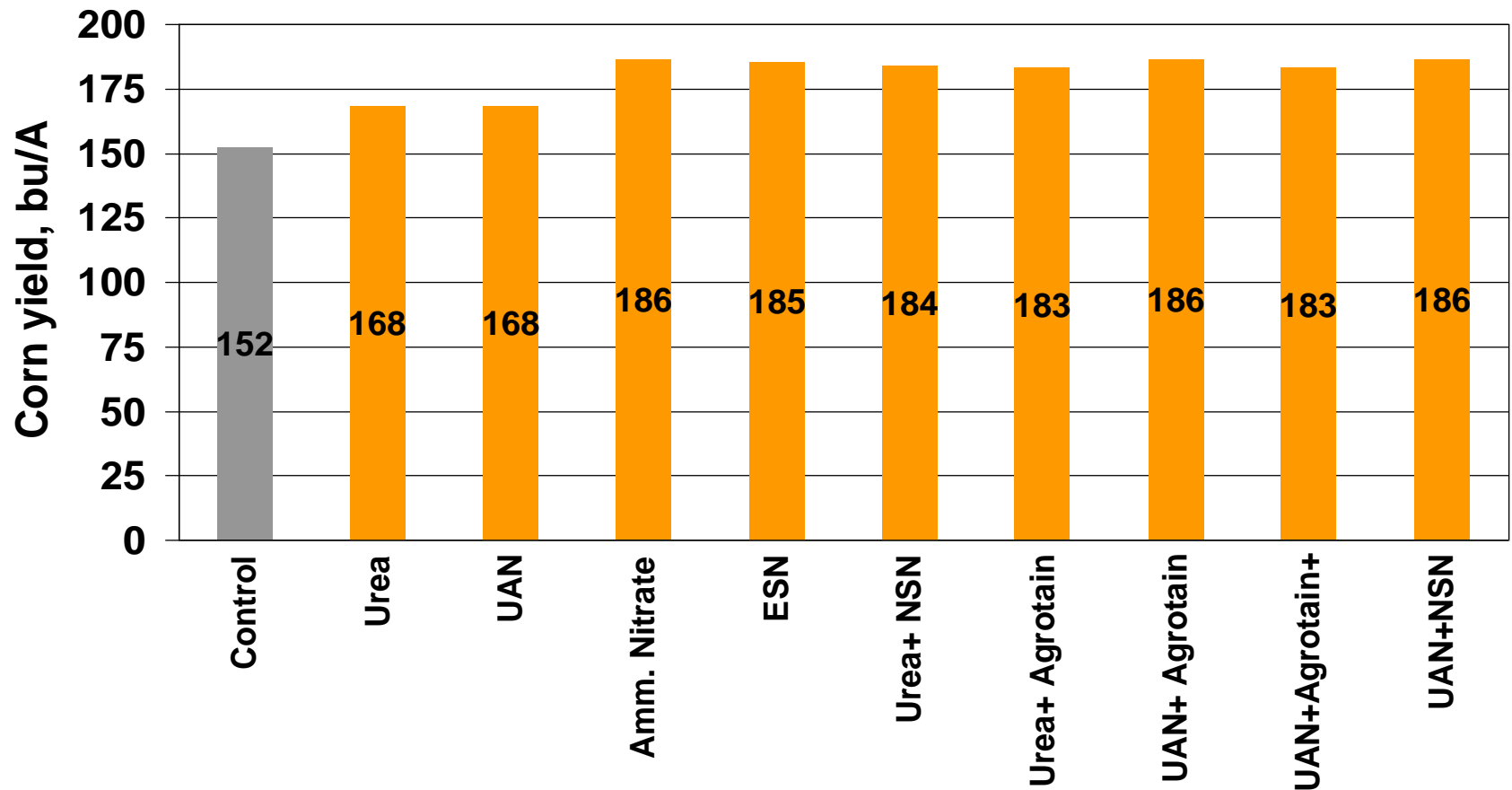
S.A. Ebelhar & C.D. Hart

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	Corn Yield (bu/a)		<u>Average</u>
	<u>Without</u> <u>Nutrisphere</u>	<u>With</u> <u>Nutrisphere</u>	
Ammonium Sulfate	168	172	170
Ammonium Nitrate	164	170	167
Average	166	171	
Nutrisphere	p > f	< 0.05	

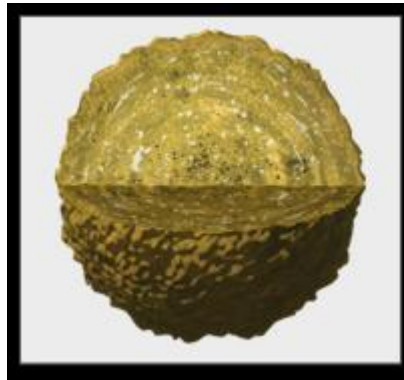
Effect of N Source On Irrigated No-till Corn



Gordon. KSU Fertilizer Report. 2010.
3-year average

N applied broadcast preplant
Average across 3 rates (80, 160, 240 lb/A)

MicroEssentials SZ Distribution



MicroEssentials granules, containing N, P, S and Zn (SZ), eliminate component segregation to ensure uniform distribution of nutrients.

Soybean Yield Results

Four-Year Fertility Study

21 locations

Locations: IA, IL, IN, MN, SD, NE, ND, WI, ON, MB

Treatment	Yield --- bu/acre ---	ME SZ Advantage --- bu/acre ---
MicroEssentials SZ	53.7	
MAP	48.7	+ 5.0
DAP	48.2	+ 5.5

Note: Nutrient rates equalized across plots for each year.

P₂O₅ rate: 40 lbs/acre

All differences are significant at the 0.1 level

Corn Yield Results

Seven Year Study – Fertility trials only

62 locations

Locations: IA, IL, IN, MN, SD, MO, NE, ND, TX, WI, ON, MB

Treatment	Yield --- bu/acre ---	ME SZ Advantage --- bu/acre ---
MicroEssentials SZ	164.6	
DAP (Check)	157.7	+ 6.9

Note: Nutrient rates equalized across plots for each year.

P₂O₅ rate: 70 lbs/acre

Corn Yield Results

One Year Fertility Study

19 locations

Locations: IA, IL, IN, MN, SD, MO, NE, WI, ON, MB

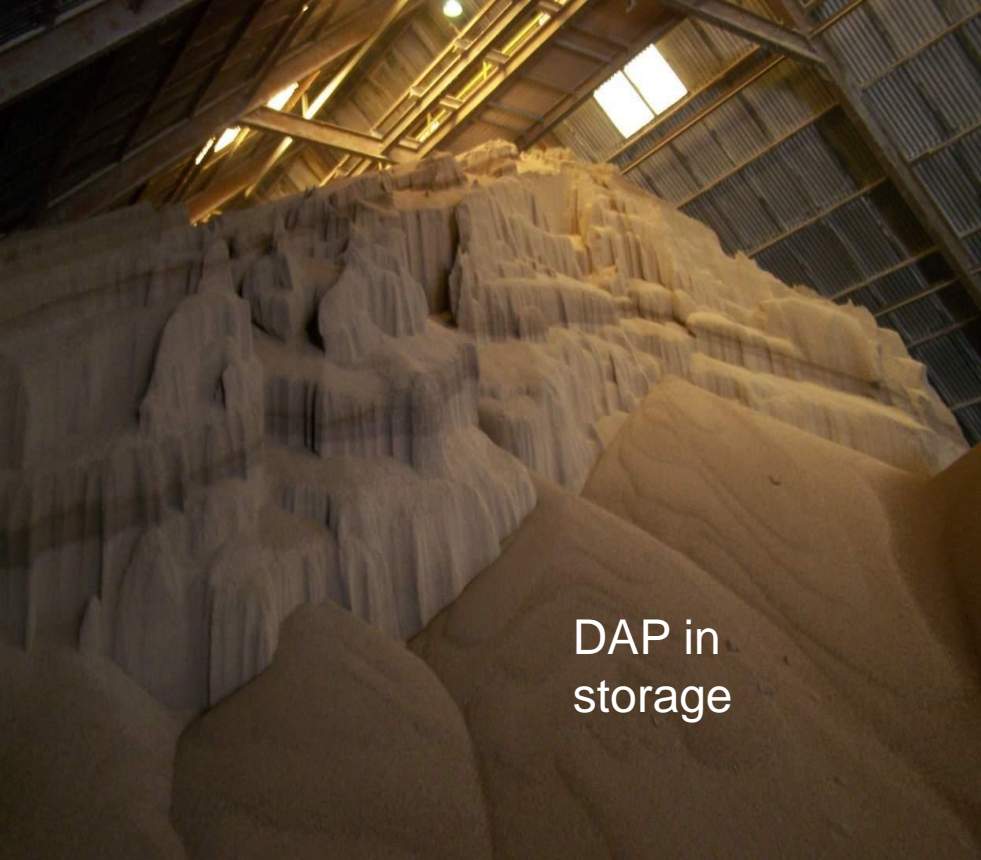
Treatment	Yield --- bu/acre ---	ME SZ Advantage --- bu/acre ---
MicroEssentials SZ	155.9	
DAP + ZnSO4 (Zn @ 1.8 #/a)	149.2	+ 6.7
DAP + ZnSO4 (Zn @ 5 #/a)	153.2	+ 2.7
DAP (Check)	150.6	+ 5.3

Note: Nutrient rates equalized across plots for each year.

Zn @ 1.8 #/a equals zinc rate in MESZ

Zn @ 5 #/a represents farmer rate

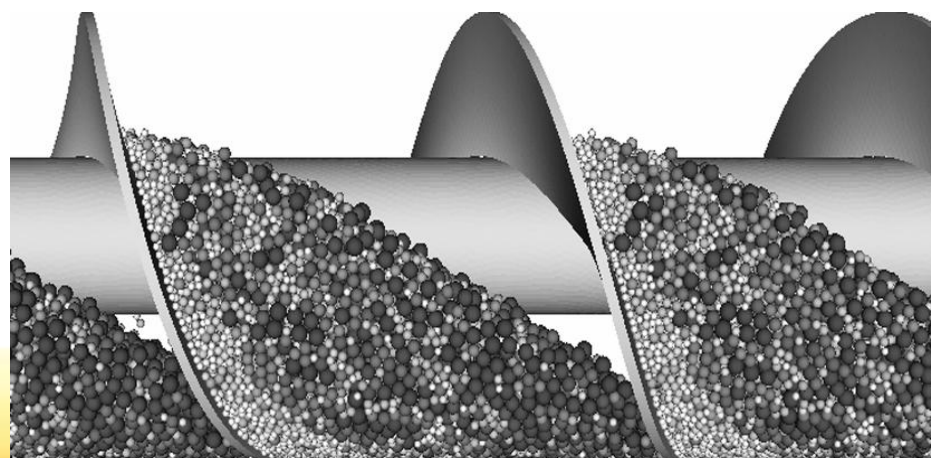
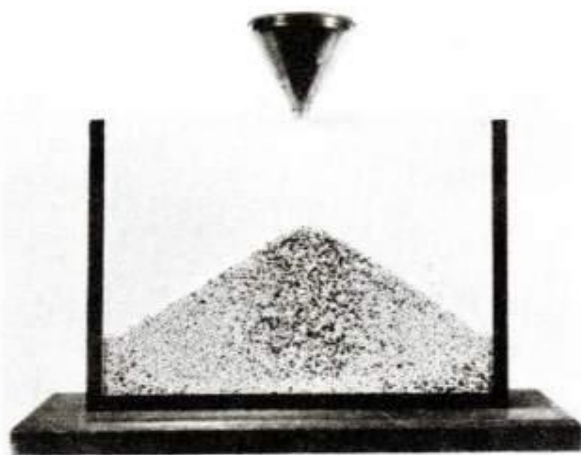
P₂O₅ rate: 70 lbs/acre



DAP in storage



MESZ in storage



MicroEssentials SZ for complete soil coverage

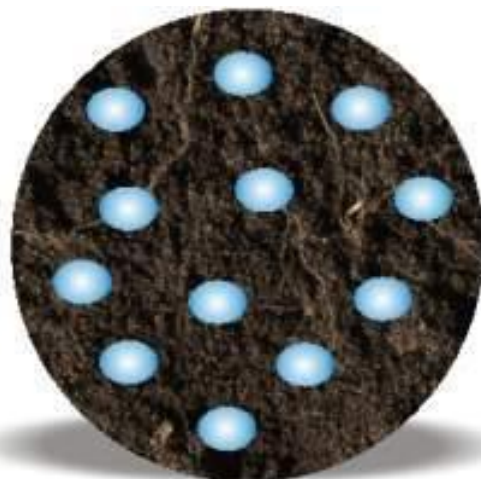
Typical Zinc Blend



Zinc as granules in **bulk blend** through **broadcast** application (**5 lbs/A Zn**).

0.66 granules/sq ft

MicroEssentials SZ

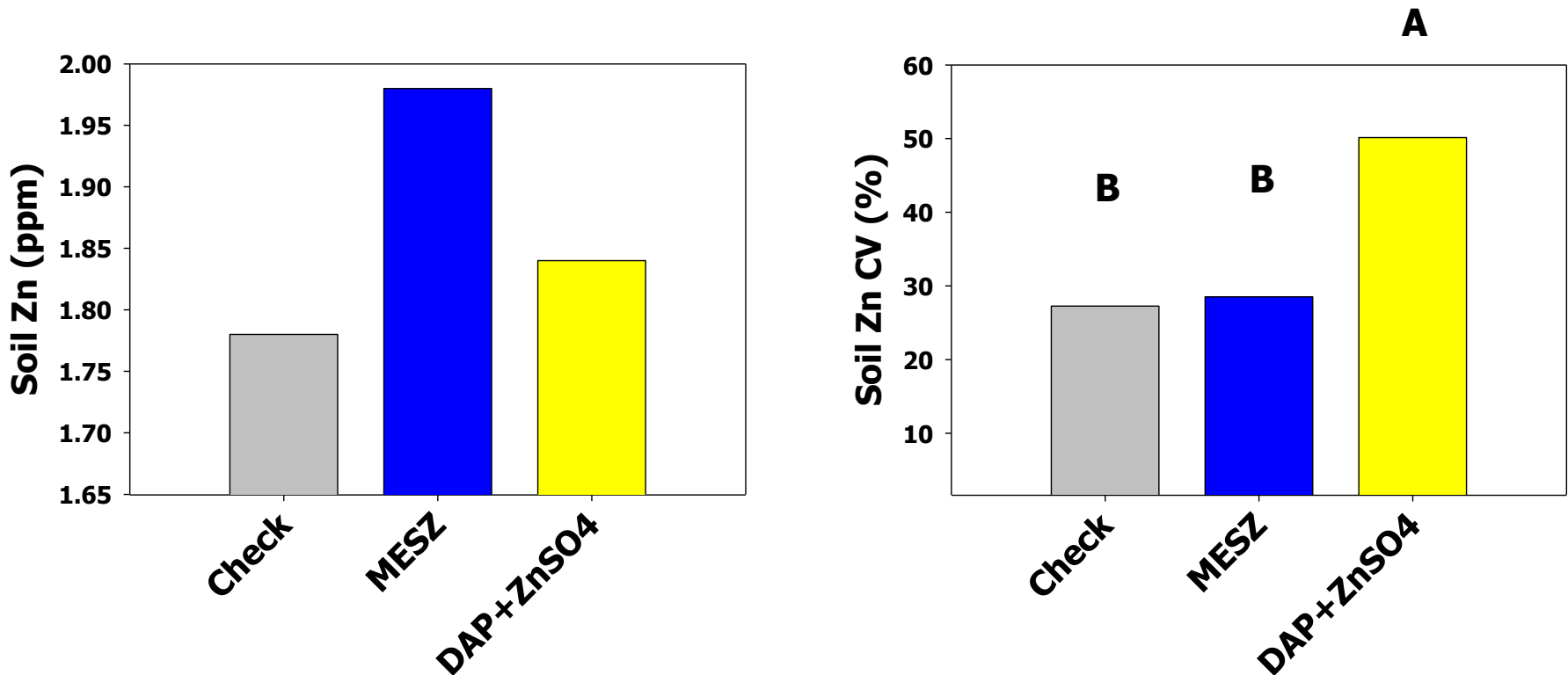


Zinc incorporated in phosphate fertilizer (65 lbs/A P_2O_5 and **1.6 lbs/A Zn**).

8.0 granules/sq ft

Soil Zn:

MESZ improves Zn distribution

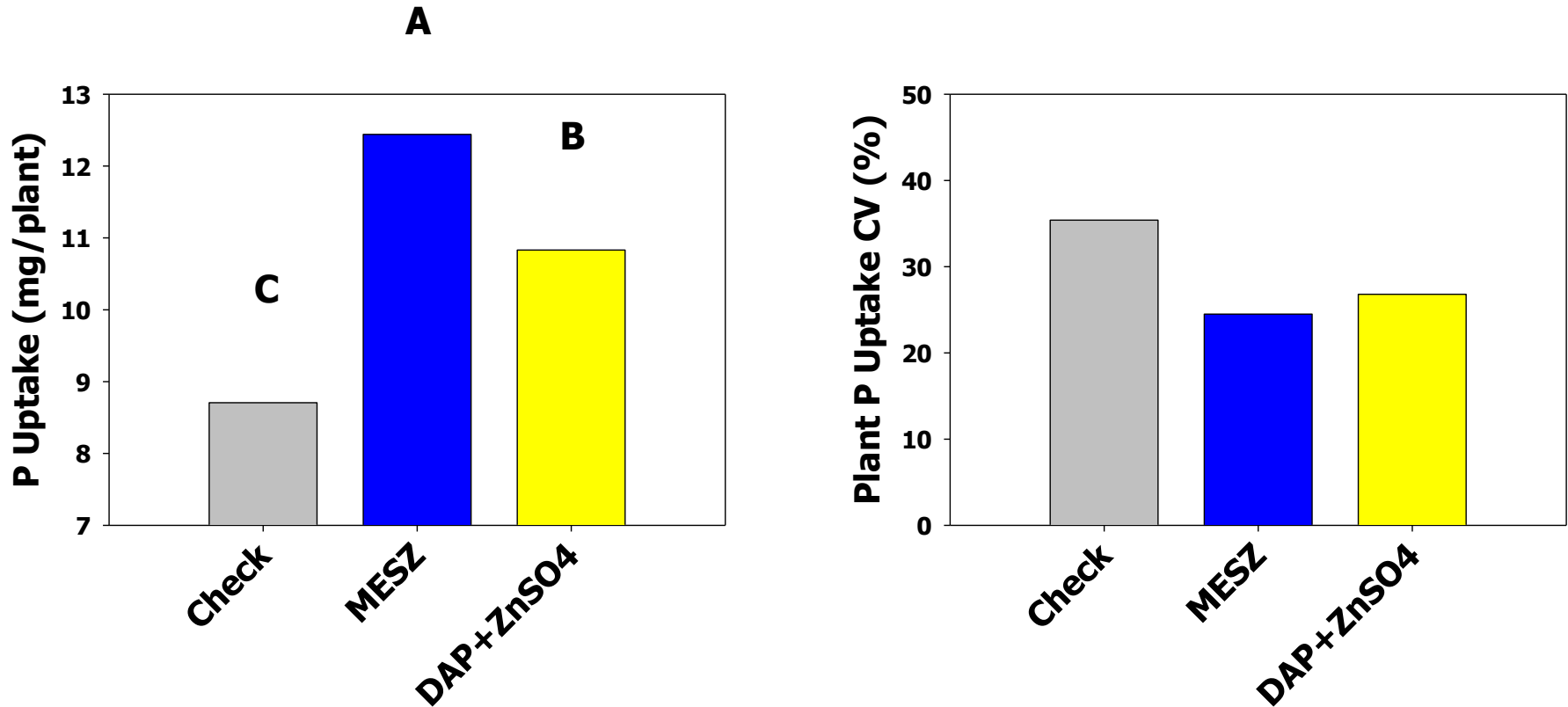


There was no difference between MESZ and the blend on soil available Zn.

MESZ resulted in a significantly more uniform Zn distribution compared to the blend, even at 1/5 of the Zn rate.

Letters indicate significant differences ($p < 0.1$)

Plant P Uptake



P fertilizer application increased P uptake.

MESZ increased P uptake by 17% compared to the blend.

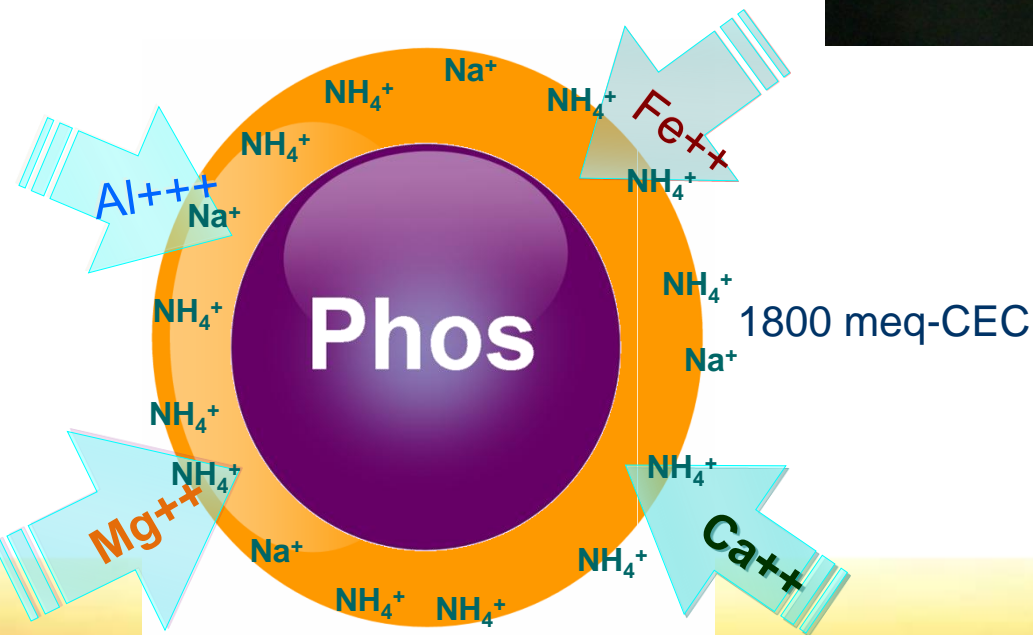
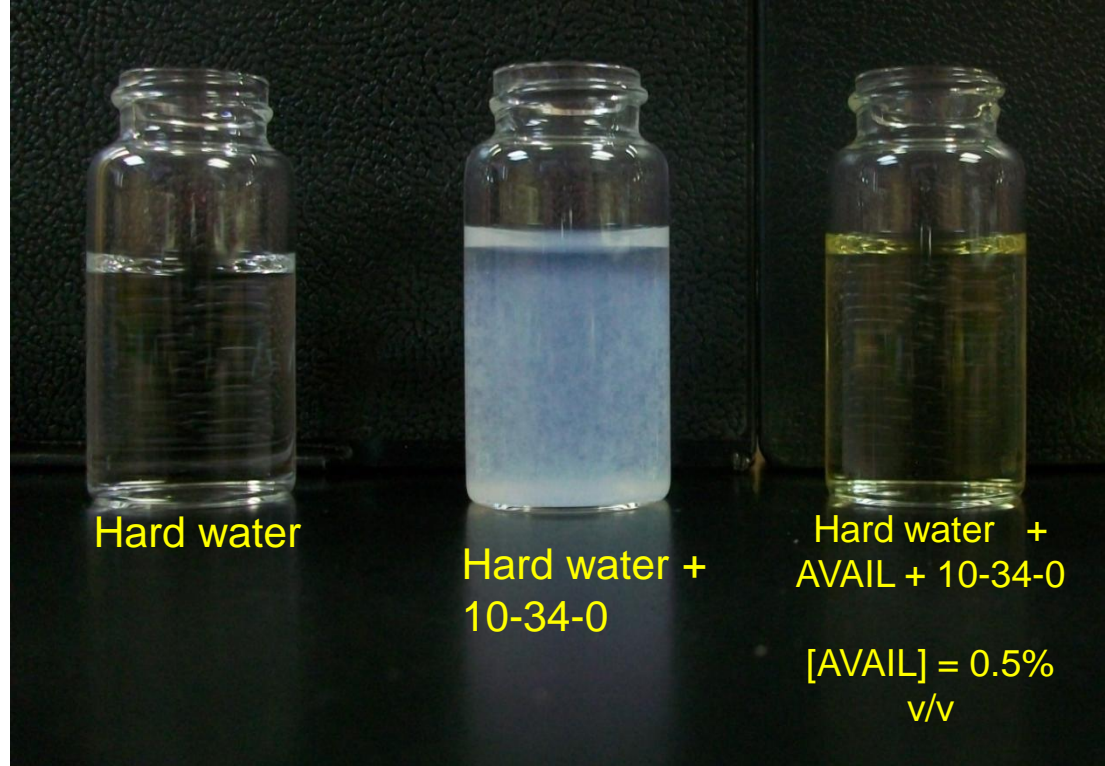
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AVAIL

- An extremely high cation exchange capacity – about 1800 meq/100 gms.
- Structure is very specific to attracting and adsorbing multivalent cations.
- Functionality is not affected by pH, temperature ranges or ionic strength.
- Biodegradable and water soluble.
- Polymer affects only very small portion of soil volume

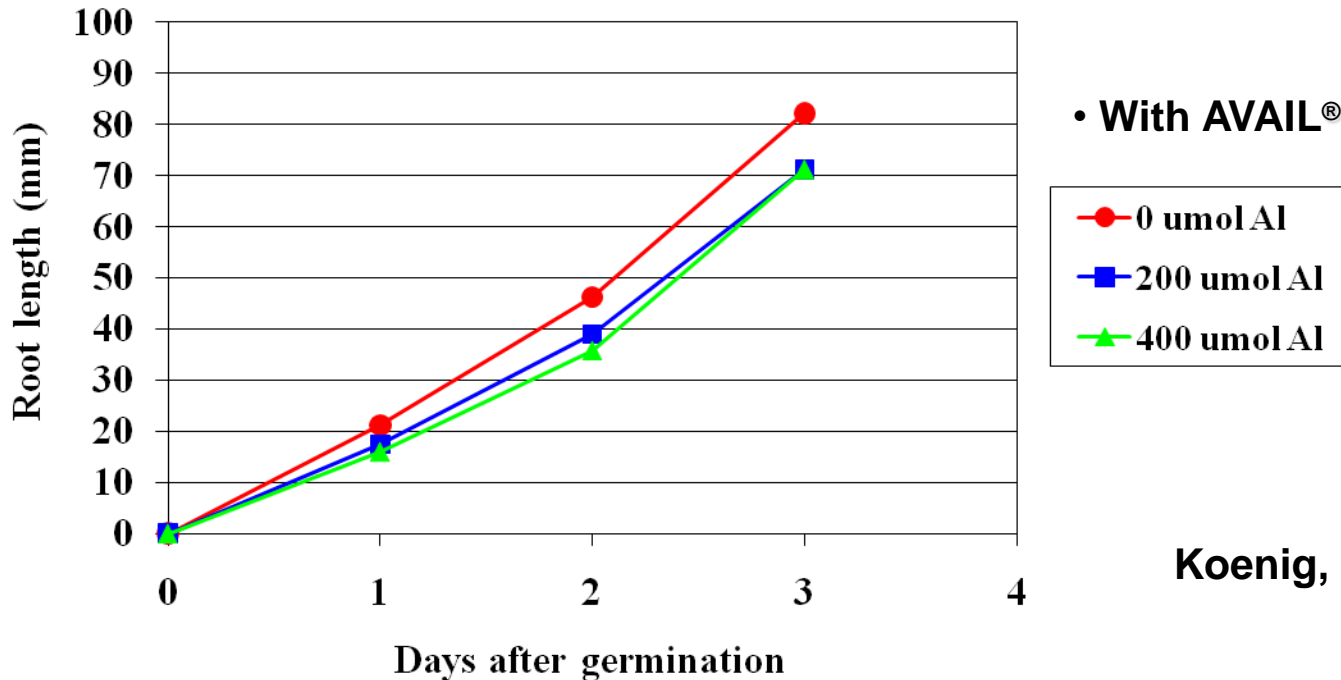
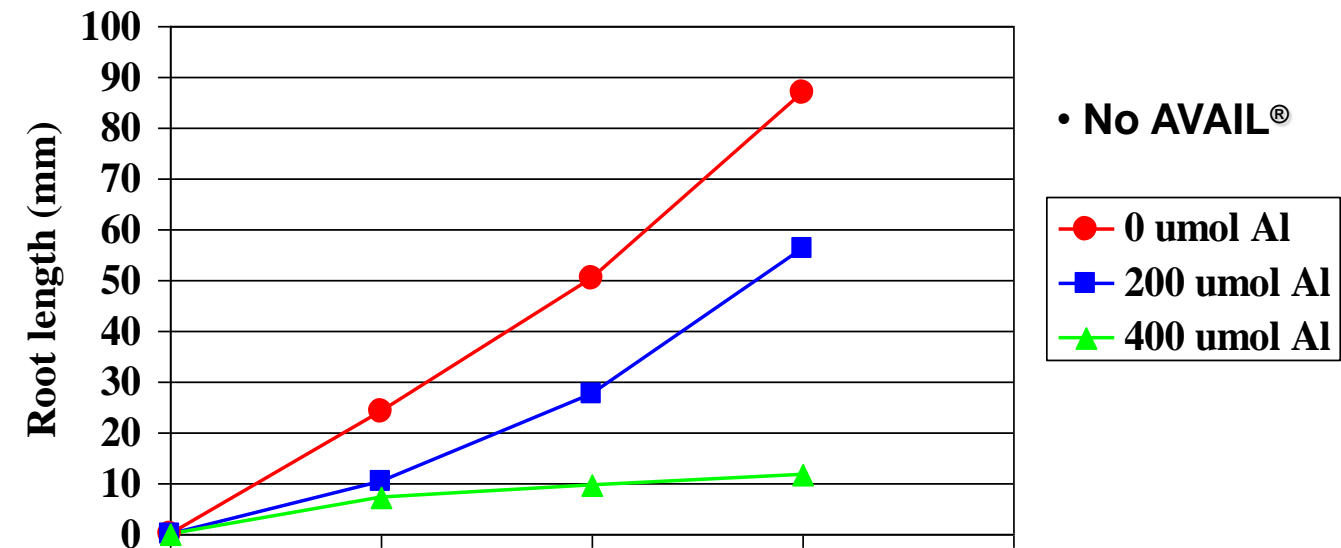


AVAIL Slows Initial Contact With Soil “Impurities”



What Is A Main Advantage Of Banding?

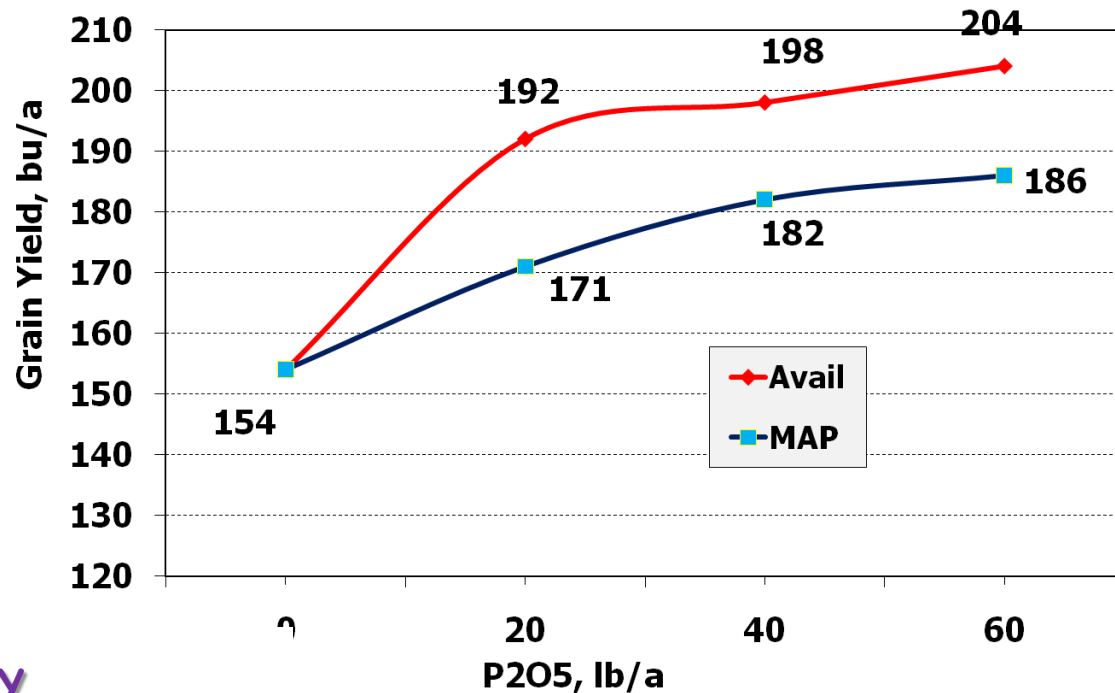
Aluminum Effects on Wheat - Low pH: 4.5



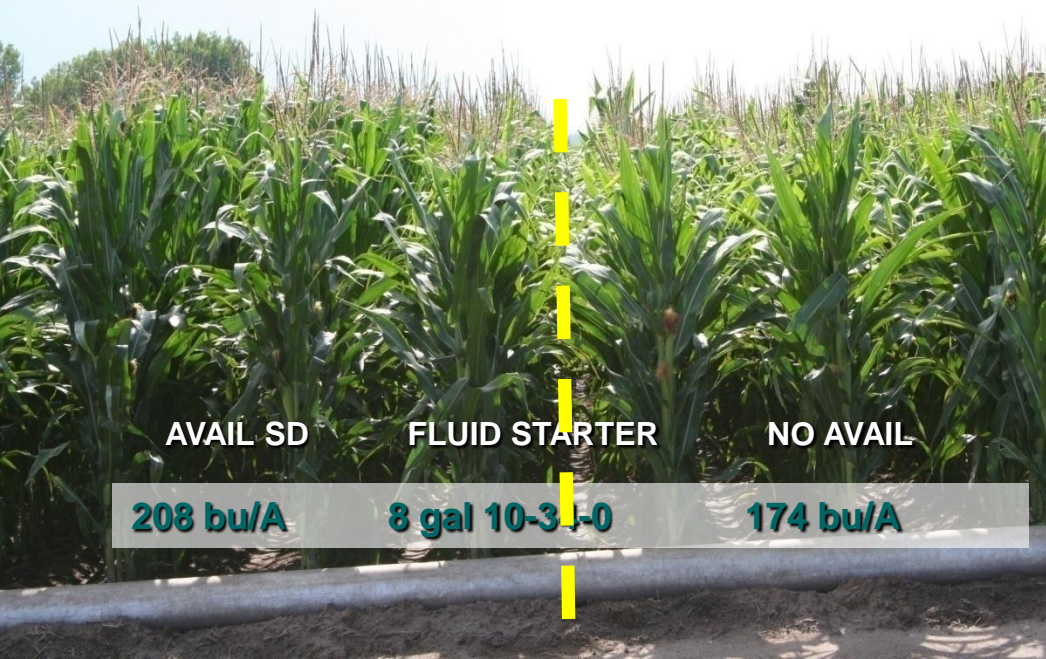
Koenig, Washington State

Avail Effects on Corn Grain Yield

2001-2003 Kansas



KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
2006

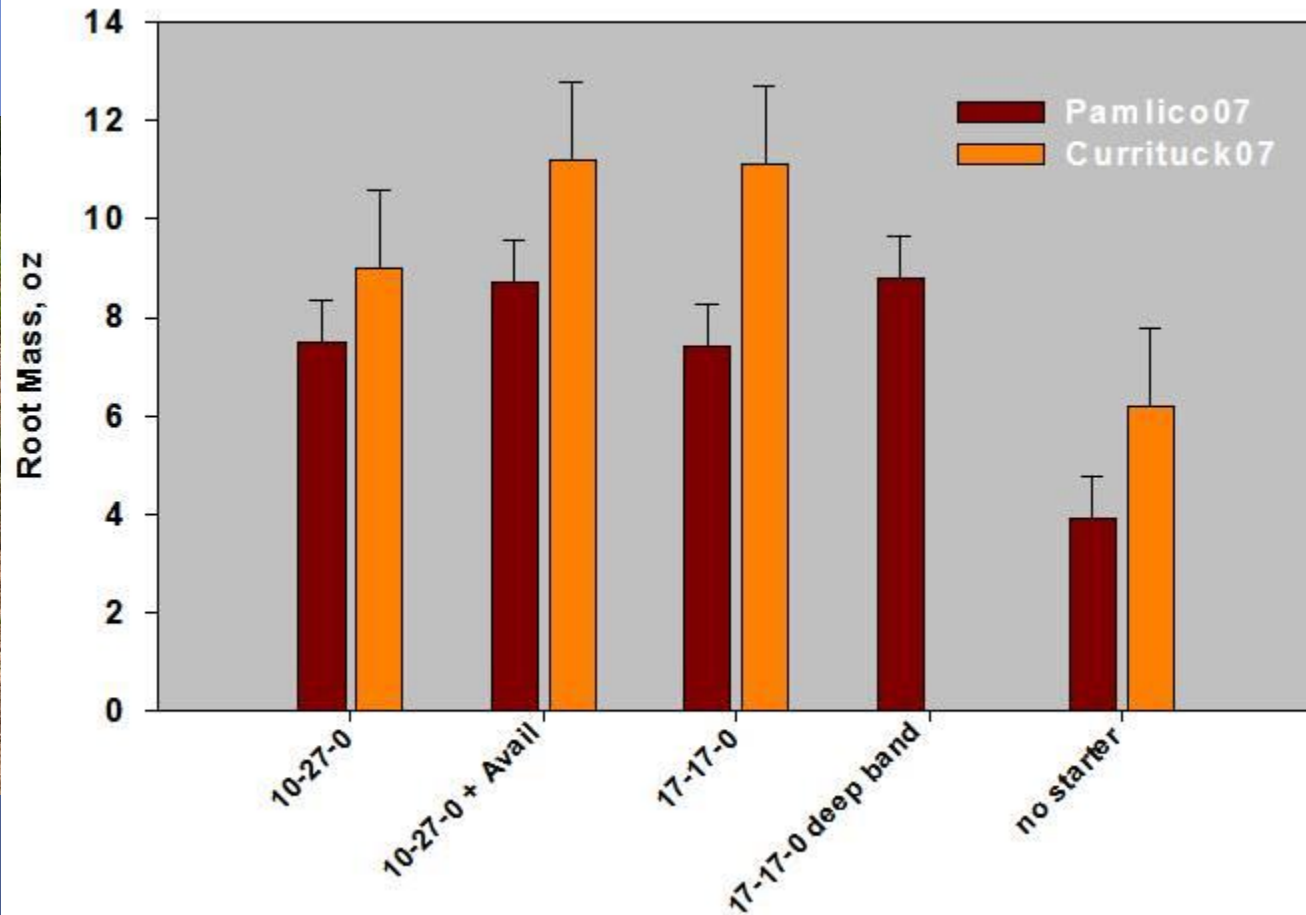


208 bu/A

8 gal 10-31-0

174 bu/A

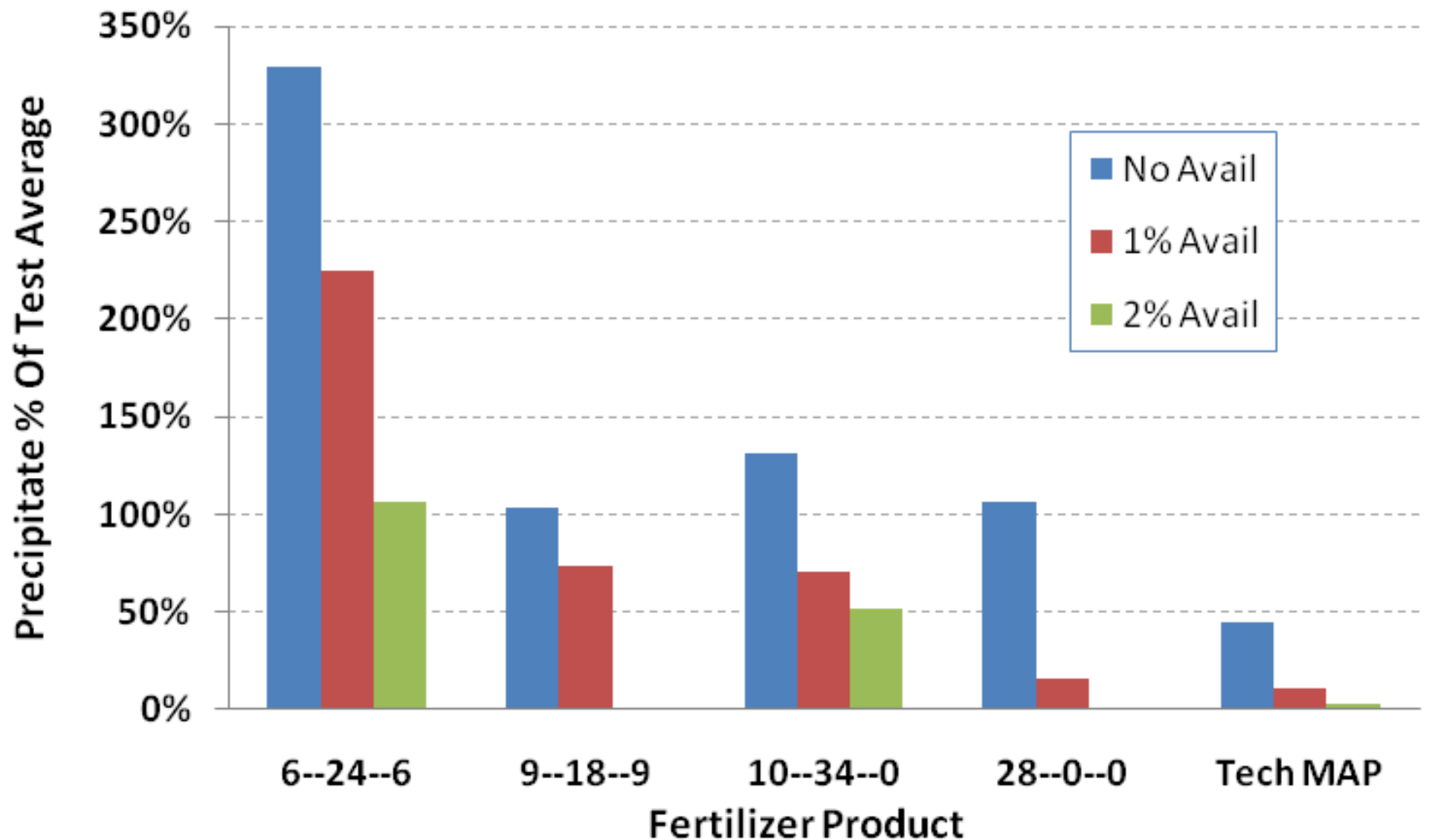
Barney Gordon,
KSU



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Initial Precipitate Results

Staggenborg, KSU



N Source and Avail Effects On Subsurface Drip Irrigation Applied Fertilizer

S. Staggenborg and J. Olson, Kansas State Univ., 2009

Subsurface Drip Irrigation Treatments

With Starter

Without Starter

Control

196

195

6-24-6

213

203

6-24-6 + Avail

226

200

9-18-9

200

194

9-18-9 plus Avail

211

204

LSD _(0.05)

11.0



Effect Of Avail On Corn Growth

Univ. of Minnesota, 2002, 2003

Treatment	Grain Yield		V6 Dry Matter	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
0	136	195	686	352
DAP	153	196	658	422
DAP + Avail	173	199	806	395
p > f *	0.02	0.53	0.04	0.24

* p > f for treatment effect

PRODUCTS & SOLUTIONS

BIOLOGICALS

- Products
 - Agriculture
 - Bio-fertility
 - JumpStart
 - N-Prove
 - TagTeam
 - Bio-pesticides
 - Bio-yield enhancements
 - Animal farm management
 - Aquaculture
 - Bioaugmentation and remediation
 - Consumer product technology
 - Institutional and industrial
 - Technologies
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BIOPHARMA

ENZYMES

PRODUCT FINDER

QUALITY MANAGEMENT

SALES OFFICES

SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS



JumpStart

Biologicals › Products › Agriculture › Bio-fertility › JumpStart › Detail

JumpStart is a fertility management tool applied as a seed treatment prior to seeding.

It colonizes plant roots and makes the bound mineral forms of less available soil phosphate immediately available for crop use. The result is higher crop yields and a better return on your fertilizer investment.

How Does it Work?

The soil fungus in JumpStart colonizes a plant root as it thrives on the root exudates. As the fungus grows and multiplies it produces acids that break the bonds that are holding phosphate in mineral forms that are not available to the plant.

JumpStart helps manage your phosphate fertility on any crop by making better use of your current and past investments in phosphate fertilizer.

JumpStart, the phosphate inoculant, contains the naturally-occurring soil fungus *Penicillium bilaii*. It colonizes plant roots and makes the 'fixed' mineral forms of less available soil phosphate immediately available for crop use.

JumpStart promotes greater phosphate use efficiency, which results in quick emergence, early vigor, greater stress tolerance, and more even maturity. JumpStart delivers a safe method of supplying phosphate to growing plants and reduces the need to seed-place high rates of fertilizer phosphate with reactive seed like anhydrous ammonia and fertilizers.

Wolf Trax

DDP Research Results

Wolf Trax has an extensive research and evaluation program, spanning different countries, crops, soils and climatic conditions. The tool below allows you to sort through our database, to find results relevant to you.



This Month's Focus

[Wolf Trax DDP Micronutrients and the Right RATE](#)

1. From the menus to the right, select the 3 required criteria
2. You also have the option to filter by crop type, soil type and/or pH range
3. Click "Show Results" to create a bar chart (which will be shown below) comparing Wolf Trax DDP to the untreated check (UTC)
4. If you wish to create a new bar chart by changing only one single criteria you must click on the appropriate drop down box, choose Show All, re-choose a new criteria, and then click Show Results
5. If you wish to start over completely, click New Search

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Available Results¹

Show Results

New Search

How to generate results.

Search Criteria

DDP Use Type *

Micronutrient *

Measurement *

Crop Type ²

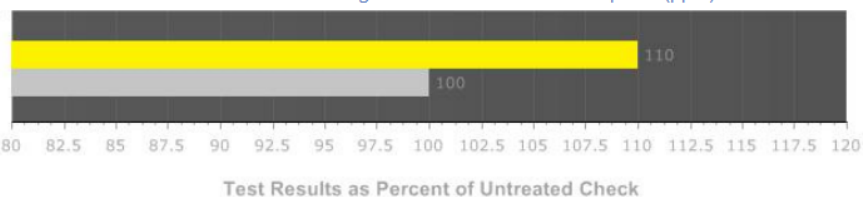
Soil Type

pH Range

Fertilizer Coating
Zinc
Plant Tissue Uptake (ppm)
Corn
All Available
All Available

* Required Criteria

Results: Fertilizer Coating \ Zinc DDP \ Plant Tissue Uptake (ppm) \ Corn



Tissue sampling showed that Wolf Trax Zinc DDP delivered 10.0% more micronutrient to the plant than the untreated check. This demonstrates that a Fertilizer Coating application of Wolf Trax Zinc DDP can correct deficiencies, ensuring that the crop can gain access to the micronutrients it needs.

WOLF TRAX
INNOVATIVE MICRONUTRIENTS

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DDP® Micronutrients

DDP as a Fertilizer Coating - DDP Fertilizer Coating technology provides a more precise and effective way of delivering nutrition directly to the plant's roots in an available form.

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Wolf Trax uniquely formulated micronutrients are designed to coat and adhere to each prill of dry N, P or K fertilizer. This ensures even distribution throughout the blend, and more consistent and even application across the field.

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ZINC SEED TREATMENT

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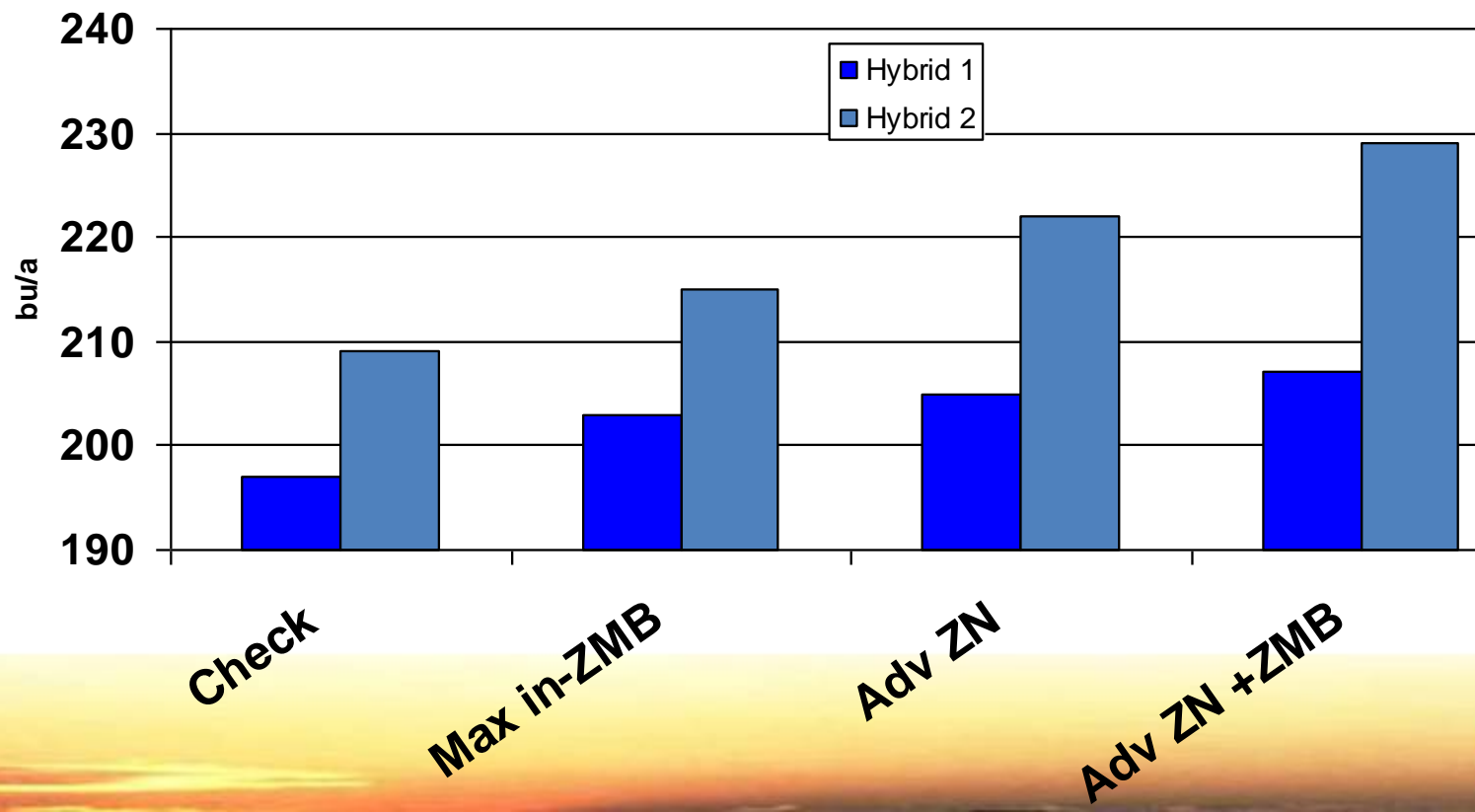
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FOR EARLY SEEDLING VIGOR AND
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2008 Corn Seed Treatment

Burwell Ne. 1.7 ppm DTPA ZN Sandy Loam soil



Higher Nutrient Levels Required For Plant Population Response

Kansas State University

<u>Plant Population</u>	<u>Traditional ¹ Fertility</u>	<u>Enhanced ² Fertility</u>	<u>Corn Response</u>
28,000	202	225	23
42,000	196	262	66
Response	-6	37	

¹ 230 lb N/a, 30 lb P₂O₅/a

P and K Soil Tests = High

² 230 lb N/a, 100 lb P₂O₅/a, 80 lb K₂O/a and 4C

Interaction Of New Technologies/Practices With Corn Yield

University of Illinois and Mosaic

	<u>Traditional Program</u>	<u>Enhanced Program</u>
	208 bu/a	274 bu/a
Yield Increase Attributed To Individual New Practice:		
	- - - - - bu/a	- - - - -
Additional P, S, Zn (MEZ)	7	18
Additional Sidedress N	16	24
Higher Plant Population	-15	14
Fungicide Application	-4	12
Genetics - Triple Stack	8	27

Traditional Program - University of Illinois Recommendations Without Any Enhanced Input
Enhanced Program - University of Illinois Recommendations Plus All Enhanced Inputs

New Technologies: Products and Additives

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