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**2013 Growing Season** 

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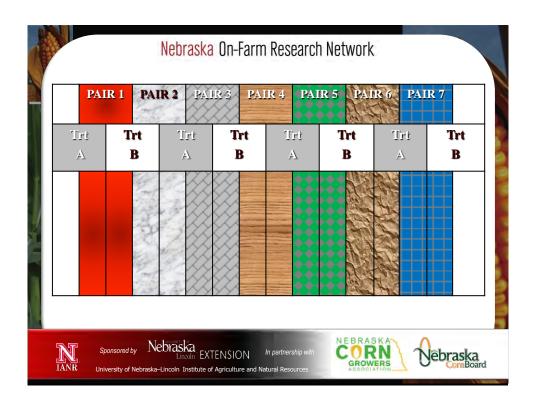


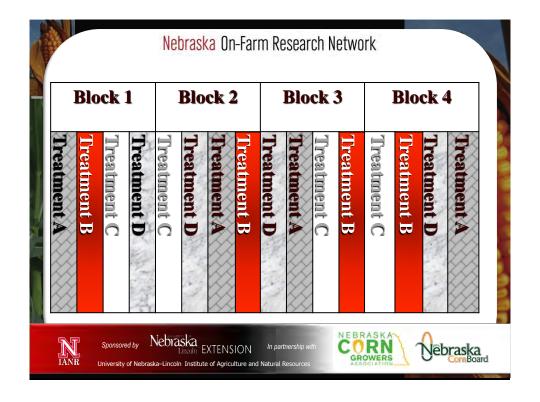
- Comparisons are identified and designed to answer producers' production questions.
- Projects protocols are developed first and foremost to meet individual cooperator needs.
- Only projects that are randomized, replicated and harvested accordingly are reported.
- Treatment costs identified represent the economic difference among treatments applied.
- Multiple year comparisons are encouraged.











#### STATISTICS 101

**Replication**: In statistics, replication is repetition of an experiment or observation in the same or similar conditions. Replication is important because it adds information about the reliability of the conclusions or estimates to be drawn from the data. The statistical methods that assess that reliability rely on replication.

Using random sampling as a method of selecting a sample from a Randomization: population in which all the items in the population have an equal chance of being chosen in the sample. Randomization reduces the introduction of bias into the analysis.

Confidence Level: Measure of the number of times out 100 that test results can be expected to be within a specified range. Example 90% CL means that results of an action will probably meet expectations 90 of the time.

The statistical criteria for determining significant differences in this report was set at the 90% level, unless noted differently. (multiple similarly conducted experiments would have these differences due to chance alone 10% of the time.) Yields figures followed by the same letter denote no significant difference.

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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Year(s): 2013 Starter Title: Corn Crop:

Bob Bartek - BRT Farms **OFRN Operator:** 

Objective: Study effect of starter fertilizer on corn production and

profitability.

Treatments: Check vs Starter



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**OFRN Operator: Bob Bartek - BRT Farms** Information: 2013 - Corn - Starter

County: Saunders

No Starter vs Starter Fertilizer: 5 gal 10-34-0 + 1qt

Ammoniated Zinc

NoTill 5/14/13, 30" rows, 2" depth -In-Furrow Keatons

LG 2620 BT2RIB @ 27,500 Rotation: Corn/Soybeans Soil Test: P 14 ppm



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator: Bob Bartek - BRT Farms** 

Results: 2013 - Corn - Starter

Yield Moisture  $\mathsf{TW}$ **HPop** Cost/A Check 192.1 A 17.25 A 26.5 A Starter 191.0 A 16.61 B 26.6 A \$22.67 0.0022\*\*\* Prob>/T/ ns ns

Summary: Starter was not significant from untreated Check. Significant ½ pt moisture difference. No visual difference in color or growth.



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Years: 2013 Title: Population Crop: Corn County: Jefferson **OFRN Operator:** Ross Boeckner

Objective: To determine and document the effect of population on

the profitability of corn production.

32k, 36k, 40k Treatments:

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network Planting 2013 - n1/2 13 4 3 Grower: Judd Boeckner 201 Farm: Plymouth Fleid: n1/2 13 4 3 Year: 2013 Operation: Planting Crop / Product: NO Product Op. Instance: Planting - 1 Area: 265.15 ac GPS Count: 15668 CORN GROWERS Sponsored by Nebraska EXTENSION Nebraska Grandoard In partnership University of Nebraska-Lincoln Institute of Agriculture and Natural Res

OFRN Operator: Ross Boeckner Results: 2013 Corn-Population

	Yield	Moisture	TW	HPOP	Cost/A
32k	233.4 A	16.7 A	60.3 AB	27.2k C	\$ 94.80
36k	236.1 A	16.6 A	59.7 B	30.2k B	\$ 106.65
40k	241.8 A	16.6 A	61.0 A	33.6k A	\$ 118.50
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	1009	0.0007	

Notes: Planted 4/30/13 - Channel 215-52, No-Till, 160 lbs NH3 10/31/12, 5 gal 10-34-0 4/30/13 in -furrow. 30" rows, Seed depth 2.75".

SUMMARY: The increase in seeds planted per acre did not result in a significant yield increase. The increase in plant population did however increase the seed cost per acre.

#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

2013 Years:

Title: Mid Season Nitrogen (Small Plot Research)

Corn Crop: County: Nemaha OFRN Operator: Rob Bohling

Objective: To determine & document the effect of Mid-Season

Nitrogen on the profitability of corn production.

Treatments: Check

50 lbs (46-0-0) 75 lbs (46-0-0) 100 lbs(46-0-0)



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OFRN Operator: Rob Bohling

Information: 2013 Mid Season Nitrogen

#### MID SEASON NITROGEN APPLICATION

Under certain environmental conditions, corn may show significant nitrogen deficiencies in the growing season during a critical period of development (R1-R6). This may be due to exceptionally wet soil conditions which cause nitrogen losses from the soil from leaching or saturated soils which leads to denitrification. Nitrogen can also be lost from runoff when applied on top of the soil surface. Sometimes corn can show nitrogen deficiency symptoms when supplemental nitrogen is unable to be applied due to wet soil conditions or the corn becoming too tall for side-dressing.

Previous on-farm research conducted in Missouri indicates mid-season nitrogen application may be economically feasible. In Northwest Missouri in 2013, local ag suppliers were flying on urea to nitrogen deficient corn fields. This experiment was conducted to test the feasibility of this management practice.

Experiments were initiated during the summer of 2013. Nitrogen was applied to 3 different fields of nitrogen deficient corn in Nemaha County.



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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Rob Bohling

Information: 2013 Mid Season Nitrogen

#### MID SEASON NITROGEN APPLICATION (Continued)

On July 12, nitrogen was applied at the rates of 0, 50, 75 and 100 lbs N/ac in Rob Bohling corn field near Johnson, NE. A soil sample taken July 11 in the plot area indicated there was only 5 lbs of nitrate-nitrogen in the top 3' of the soil profile. Nitrogen was applied in a dry form as urea (46-0-0). This method simulated nitrogen being top-dressed with a high clearance ground applicator or through aerial application. The experiment was designed as a complete randomized block design with 4 replications. Each plot was 25' x 10' (4-30" rows). At harvest time, (October 4), 15' of the 2 middle rows were hand-harvested. Corn was shelled, tested for moisture and yields were calculated on a 15.5% moisture basis.

N 32% Liquid 120 lbs N per A - 5/12/2013, Broadcast P K Lime Sulfur Liquid 11-0-0-24 Zinc Liquid Chelate 1 pt/acre 5/15/2013; Starter FEAST Liquid 6-18-6-45 5 gal/acre 5/15/2013 Planter in furrow.

NOTE: This was small plot research located in the growers field.



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OFRN Operator: Rob Bohling

Results: 2013 Mid Season Nitrogen

	Yield	Cost/A	Gross Income	Net Income
Check	71.04 B		\$0.00	\$0.00
50 lbs N	105.31 A	\$30.75	\$143.93	\$113.18
75 lbs N	105.5 A	\$38.63	\$144.73	\$106.10
100 lbs N	122.98 A	\$46.50	\$218.15	\$171.65
Prob>/T/	0.0112**			

Costs with N at .315/lb & \$15/ac application - Applied 7/10/13 (46-0-0) Pioneer 1625HR HX1-LL-RR2 26,000 5/15/2013 2" - Silage 9/10/13 (Ins Appraised 133) Wet @ planting. Dry June-August. Hot June-July (Apr 4, May 2, Jun --, Jul 2, Aug 2). \$4.20 for marginal income calculations



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Rob Bohling Mid Season Nitrogen **Summary:** 

This experiment showed a significant increase in yield when nitrogen was applied mid-season to the nitrogen deficient corn. At current corn prices this practice was economically viable and shows promise. Success of mid-season surface applied nitrogen application is dependent upon sufficient rainfall after nitrogen application. Future on-farm research experiments will be conducted if nitrogen deficient corn fields are identified to evaluate the feasibility of mid-season nitrogen application.



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Years: 2012-2013
Title: Population
Crop: Corn
County: Dodge
OFRN Operator: Ron Bopp

Objective: Study effect of various seed populations on corn

production and profitability.

Treatments: Population 32k, 36k and 40k (2012)

Population (by Hybrid) 32k and 37k (2013)

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OFRN Operator: Ron Bopp

Information: 2012

Corn

Population 32k, 36k & 40k

Hybrid Pioneer 1625 - Irrigated

Planted: 4/23/12 Harvested: 10/5/12

FertilizerHerbicideFungicide/InsecticideNH3 @120lbKeystone LA @ 1.75qtStratego @ YLD 2.5oz32% @ 30 galRoundup @ 22 ozQuilt XL @ 10.5oz10-34-0 @ 5 galImpact @ 0.5 ozCapture LFR @ 6oz

Sulfur @ 3 gal Atrazine @ 0.5 lb

11-52-0 Fall @ 100lb

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OFRN Operator:	Ron Bopp			
Results: 2012	Corn			
		<b>Population</b>		
Treatment	32k	36k	40k	
Yield, bu/ac @15.5%	233.1	237.6	243.4	
Cost/Acre		\$11.36	\$22.72	
Prob>/T/ 0.0164**	В	AB	Α	
Moisture, %	15.9	16.0	16.1	
Prob>/T/ 0.3626 ns	Α	Α	Α	

Summary: (2012) There was no statistical yield difference between seeding rates of 36,000 seeds/acre and 40,000 seeds/acre for this hybrid at this location but a seeding rate of 32,000 seeds/ac did statistically yield less than a seeding rate of 40,000 seeds/acre. The additional 4000 seeds which resulted in 5.8 bu/ac additional yield at 40,000 seeds/acre was economically justified in this study.





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**OFRN Operator: Ron Bopp** Results: 2013 - Corn - Population

Population 32K 37K PROB>/T/	Hybrid - -	YLD 247.1 A 246.5 A ns	MST 18.2 A 18.2 A ns	Cost/A \$ 99.72 \$ 115.30
Population 37K	Hybrid 8066AMX	YLD	MST 19.1 A	Cost/A \$ 115.30
32K	8066AMX		19.1 A 19.0 A	\$ 99.72
32K	8345AM	233.9 B	17.3 B	\$ 99.72
37K	8345AM	229.7 B	17.3 B	\$ 115.30
PROB>/T/		0.0374**	ns	
Population	Hybrid	YLD	MST	Cost/A
-	8066AMX	261.8 A	19.1 A	\$ 107.51
-	8345AM	231.8 A	17.3 B	\$ 107.51
PROB>/T/		0.000***	0.000***	







**OFRN Operator:** Ron Bopp

Summary: 2013 Corn-Population

(2013) (32 vs. 37K vs 2 hybrids)-NS on population (32K vs. 37K), but statistically significant between hybrids, and statistically significant for the hybrid X population interaction.

Normal Planting Rate is 34.5K

Visual observation 8345 post pollination tip back at higher populations.



#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

2013 Years:

Title: Biostimulant Sovbeans Crop: County: Hamilton **OFRN Operator:** Mike Campbell

Objective: To determine & document the effect of biostimulant on

the profitability of soybean production.

Treatments: BG-AG LegUp 10-0-4

> CALFA **CP-44** Generate GS-48 Soil X-Cyto Terra One XiteBio SoyRhizo



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OFRN Operator: Mike Campbell

Information: 2013 Soybeans Fontanelle 64R20 Fontanelle 64R20 @ 180k seeded, 171-179k in season

BG-Ag LegUp 10-0-4 2 gal CALFA CP-44 6 oz 32 07 Generate GS-48 (4 oz.) 4 oz GS-48 (8 oz.) 8 oz Soil X-Cyto 27.5 oz Terra One 16 07 XiteBio SoyRhizo Planted June 3, Irrigated



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#### OFRN Operator: Mike Campbell Information: 2013 Soybeans

BG-Ag LegUp 10-0-4 (BioGreen USA). In addition to fertilizer listed above, product contains 10% humic acid and 2% North American kelp (Ascophyllum nodosum). The latter product is a source of cytokinin, and cytokinin is expected

(Plant BioTech, Inc.). CALFA (short for Carboxylic Acid Liquid Fertilizer Additive) is a 40% natural carboxylic **CALFA** acid solution. Some carboxylic acids have been shown to increase plant growth.

CP-44 Proprietory product from Emerald BioAg. It is a growth enhancement product.

Generate

GS-48 (8 oz.)

(Agnition, Marshall, MN) labeling states that the product is a proven microbial and nutrient catalyst to optimize crop growth and yields. It consists of 0.52% cobalt, 0.14% copper, 0.28% Iron, 0.11% manganese, 0.001% molybdenum, 0.11% sodium and 0.11% zinc. Cobalt helps plants to alleviate stress by reducing ethylene

production, and is also needed by nodulating bacteria.

GS-48 (4 oz.) GreenSol 48 (FRIT Industries) contains the plant hormones kinetin and gibberellic acid in an 8-20-20 water-

soluble fertilizer base (from which the number 48 is arrived). This product is designed to promote plant vigor, early maturity, higher yields and improved crop quality. Product usage is also marketed via faster transition from the vegetative to reproductive stage of plant development resulting in heavy bloom and fruit set for some

Soil X-Cyto (Conklin Company). Active ingredient = 0.004% cytokinin (as kinetin). In addition to the cytokinin, product

literature states tht it is a nematode suppressant which interferes with infection of plant roots by parasitic

nematodes

Terra One Contains mycorrhizae and beneficial bacteria to stimulate root growth, mass and length.

XiteBio SoyRhizo SoyRhizo is a new liquid inoculant for soybean that not only introduces optimum numbers of Bradyrhizobium

japonicum into the soil, but also invigorates the natural soil microflora, including the native rhizobia and creates synergy between them. It features Advanced Growth Promoting Technology (AGPT) with a low volume versatile liquid formulation that can be applied on seed or in-furrow. SoyRhizo encourages greater root nodulation and boosts higher nitrogen fixation, resulting in healthier plants and better yield.



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OFRN Operator: Mike Campbell Results: 2013 Soybeans

Stand Yield Protein % Oil % Count Cost/A BG-Ag LegUp 10-0-4 79.8 A 34.4 A 19.6 A 123.6 B \$24.00 CALFA 80.2 A 34.6 A 19.5 A 146.6 A CP-44 80.2 A 144.0 A 19.6 A Generate 80.7 A 34.7 A 19.7 A 143.3 A GS-48 (4 oz.) 80.4 A 34.7 A 19.3 A 144.2 A GS-48 (8 oz.) 79.8 A\* 34.7 A 143.5 A Soil X-Cyto 78.3 A 34.6 A 19.7 A 145.9 A \$39.00 Terra One 80.6 A 34.7 A 19.6 A 145.2 A XiteBio SoyRhizo 79.7 A 34.8 A 19.7 A 140.2 A Check 81.1 A 34.6 A 19.5 A 144.5 A Prob>/T/ ns ns ns P Value 0.78 0.69 0.21

Means in sub-columns followed by the same letter are not statistically different at the P<0.05 level (Tukeys HSD test, JMP 10.0.0)

<sup>\*</sup> One outlier for this variety removed, was several bushels different than anything else noted, and made it the top yielding treatment if included.



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**OFRN Operator:** Mike Campbell Summary: Soybeans

(2013) No treatment applied in-furrow at planting resulted in positive economic return. This is in agreement with previous UNL in-furrow experimentation that also noted highest average yields from untreated soybeans. The biological reason for these results is unknown.

The application of BG-Ag LegUp 10-0-4 was observed to reduce final plant population.



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Years: 2013

Title: Fertilizer Enhancer

Corn Crop: County: Seward

**OFRN Operator:** Dave and Doug Cast

Objective: To determine & document the effect of Avail on the

profitability of corn production.

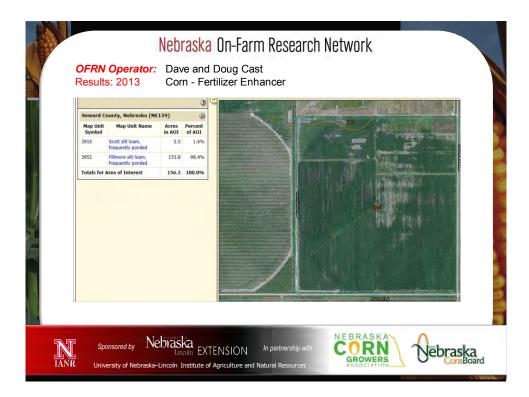
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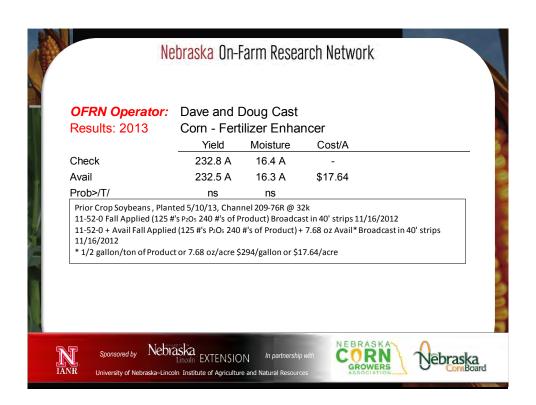
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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network Dave and Doug Cast **OFRN Operator:** Results: 2013 Corn - Fertilizer Enhancer A= Check Treatment: 11-52-0 Fall Applied (125 #'s P 240 #'s Product) B= Avail 11-52-0 + Avail Fall Applied (125 #'s P 240 #'s Product) Channel 209-76R, 5/10/2013 32,000 Fillmore soil 0% slope SOIL ANALYSIS RESULTS Sample pH Buffer %OM NO3-N Legume Lbs N ppm 0-3 lbs/ac Aval 50 H 287 VH 1.1 68 3.1 91 16 12 14 5.9 3.2 50 108 12 M VH. 0.7 6.7 2.9 9 L 243 H 0.8 Fertility Levels: VL = very low; L = low; M = medium; H = high; VH = very high FERTILIZER RECOMMENDATION (lbs/ac) Yield Nitrogen Potas. Sulfur Line Seed 225 197 10-25" 0 2000 117 225 55 30 1-3 3000 100 225 190 50 Sponsored by Nebraska EXTENSION CORN Nebraska Nebraska





**OFRN Operator:** Dave and Doug Cast Results: 2013 Corn - Fertilizer Enhancer

Summary: (2013) Summary (2013) There was no significant difference in yield or harvest moisture between the plots that received 125 #'s of P fall applied vs the plots that received 125#'s P fall applied plus 7.68 oz. of Avail. Initial soil test samples were in the low or medium range for phosphorus.

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Years: 2011 - 2013 Title: Plant Population

Crop: Corn County: Saunders OFRN Operator: **Bryon Chyatal** 

Objective: To determine & document the effect of

plant population on the profitability of corn

production.

Treatments: 26,000 vs 28,000 vs 30,000 seeds



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**OFRN Operator: Bryon Chvatal** 

Results: 2011 Corn (Channel 212-45STX)

**Planting Rate** 

**Variable** 26,000 28,000 30,000 Yield, bu/ac @ 15.5% 171 177 179 Moisture, % 16.4 16.6 16.5 Cost/ac \$81.25 \$87.50 \$93.75

Yield Prob>/T/ 26,000 28,000 28,000 0.0126 \*\* ---30,000 0.0027 \*\*\* 0.3186 ns Moisture Prob>/T/ 26,000 28,000

28.000 0.2304 ns 30,000 0.0477\*\* 0.3294 ns

Planted: 5/5/11 Harvested: 10/22/11

15" row spacing



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**OFRN Operator: Bryon Chvatal** 

Results: 2011-Corn-Rainfed (Channel 210-57STX)

Planting Rate 26,000 28,000 30,000 Variable Yield, bu/ac @ 15.5% 174 178 176 Moisture, % 16.9 16.8 16.6 Cost/ac \$81.25 \$87.50 \$93.75

Yield Prob>/T/ 26,000 28,000 28,000 0.2485 ns 30,000 0.0532 \* 0.337 ns Moisture Prob>/T/ 26,000 28,000 28,000 0.3092 ns 30,000 0.6752 ns 0.1670 ns

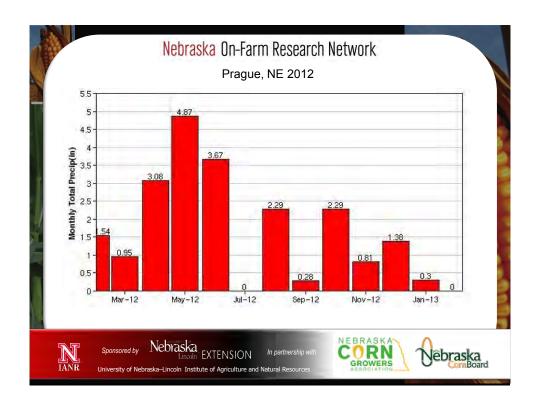
Planted: 5/5/11 Harvested: 10/22/11

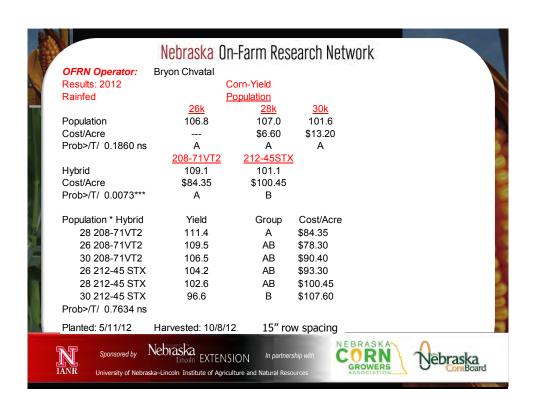


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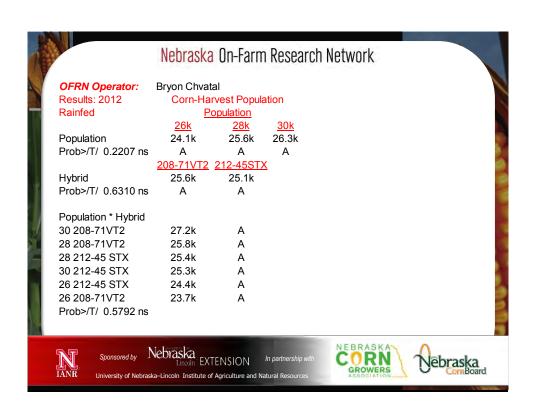






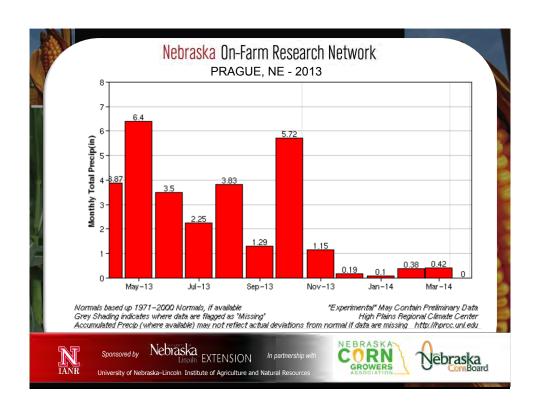


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OFRN Operator: Results: 2012 Rainfed		al n-Moisture pulation			
Population Prob>/T/ 0.6339 ns	26k 14.3 A	28k 14.1 A	30k 14.2 A		
Hybrid Prob>/T/ <0.0001***	208-71VT2 13.1 B	15.3 A	Δ		
Population * Hybrid 26 212-45 STX 30 212-45 STX 28 212-45 STX 30 208-71VT2 28 208-71VT2 26 208-71VT2 Prob>/T/ 0.2869 ns	15.5 15.2 15.1 13.2 13.2 13.1	A A A B B			
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<i>OFRN Operator:</i> Results: 2013	Bryon Chv Corn - Por			
Channel 212-86STX	Yield	Moisture	HPop	Cost
26k	202.2 AB	16.3 AB	25.2k C	\$ 107.25
28k	201.7 B	16.4 A	27.0k B	\$ 115.50
30k	207.6 A	16.3 B	28.4k A	\$ 123.75
Prob>/T/	0.0624*	0.0599*	0.001***	
Channel 213-40VT3 PRIB	Yield	Moisture	HPop	Cost
26k	207.6 A	16.8 A	24.6k B	\$ 95.88
28k	211.0 A	16.7 A	27.4k A	\$ 103.25
30k	214.4 A	16.9 A	28.6k A	\$ 110.63
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	0.0019**	
Planted 5/15/13 @ 2" seedi Silty Clay Loam, Harvest 11/	•	ill, 15" rows,	, Corn/Soybear	n Rotation, Upland -

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**Bryon Chvatal OFRN Operator:** Summary: Corn - Population

(2013) The response to planting rates was different for the two hybrids tested. For Channel 213-40VT3 there was no significant yield or moisture difference for 26K, 28K or 30K plants per acre planting rate. For the Channel Hybrid 212-86STX, although the 30K plant population was numerically higher yielding than the 26K, they were statistically the same. Whereas the 28K planting rate was statistically the lowest yielding treatment. The 5.9 bushel increase for the 30K seeding rate at \$6 per bushel, more than made up the extra seed cost.

(2012) There was no statistical yield difference amongst the populations when combining both Hybrids Channel 208-21Vt2 and Channel 212-45STX for seeding rates. This study was planted no-till into soybean residue and received around 10.5" of rainfall (according to NE Rain). The Hybrid Channel 208-71VT2 yielded statistically higher and had higher economic return than Hybrid Channel 212-45STX. The combination of Channel 208-71VT2 at a seeding rate of 28,000 seeds/acre statistically yielded the most and was the most economical (assuming \$7/bu corn price).

(2011) Yield increased as population increased. Variety 212-45STX showed statistically significant yield increases at both 28k and 30k over the 26k population. No difference was noted between the 28k and 30k. The additional \$6.25 seed cost at 28k returned \$24.00 while at 30k the additional \$12.50 seed cost returned \$48.00. The variety 210-57STX yield between 30k and 26k was statistically significant while 26k vs 28k and 28k  $vs\ 30k\ were\ not\ significant.\ The\ additional\ cost\ for\ 4k\ higher\ population\ was\ \$12.50/Ac.\ while\ the\ additional\ population\ was\ \$12.50/Ac.$ revenue at \$6.00/bu. was \$24.00/Ac.

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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Title: Headline Fungicide in-furrow

Crop: Corn County: Saunders **OFRN Operator: Bryon Chvatal** 

To determine & document the effect of in-furrow Objective:

fungicide on the profitability of corn production.

Treatments: Headline in Furrow (3.5 oz + 10 gal 10-34-0)

Check (10 gal 10-34-0)

Planted 5/24/13



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**OFRN Operator:** 

Bryon Chvatal

Results: 2013

Corn - Fungicide in-furrow

Treatment	Yield	Moisture	Cost/A
Check	141.3 A	16.6 A	
Headline	142.4 A	16.5 A	\$9.52
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	

Hybrid	Yield	Moisture	Cost/A
208-71 Pro	122.8 B	16.8 A	\$239/80k
208-49 SmartStax Pro	161.0 A	15.9 B	\$327/80k
Prob>/T/	0.000***	0.000***	

Trt * Hybrid	Yield	Moisture	Cost/A	
Headline * 208-49	162.6 A	16.0 B	\$9.52	
Check * 208-49	160.3 A	15.9 B		
Headline * 208-71	124.5 B	16.8 A	\$9.52	
Check * 208-71	121.1 B	16.8 A		
Prob>/T/	ns	ns		



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Summary: 2013

Bryon Chvatal

Corn - Fungicide in-furrow

SUMMARY: For both hybrids which were evaluated, the fungicide in-furrow treatment resulted in no significant grain yield increase as compared to the check treatment without fungicide. Grain moisture was not affected by the fungicide treatment.



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2013 Years:

Title: Nitrogen Fertilizer Rate

Crop: Corn Saunders County: **OFRN Operator:** Gregg Fujan

Objective: To determine and document the effect of nitrogen rate on

the profitability of corn production.

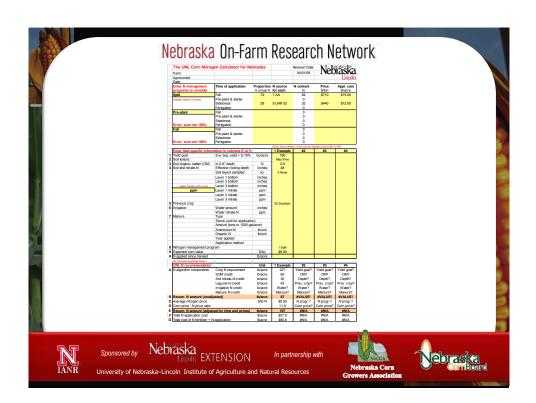
Treatments: UNL Rate + 35#

UNL Rate + 70#



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OFRN Operator: Gregg Fujan

Information: 2013

No-Till Planted Pioneer 1324 @ 28k on 5/11/13

Tomek Silty Clay Loam - Todd Valley

32% N Applied @35# & 70# on 6-18-13 V5 corn. Cost \$0.64/# N

Anhydrous 90# Fall 2012 \$0.47/# N

11-52-0 - 100# Fall 2012

Corn appeared uneven and lacked good color prior to sidedress.

Cost of Application: \$8.57/acre







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OFRN Operator: Gregg Fujan

Results: 2013 Corn - Nitrogen Rate

Yield Cost/A 35# N/ac. Sidedress \$22.40 183.1 B 70# N/ac. Sidedress 187.7 A \$44.80

0.0012\*\*\* Prob>/T/

#### SUMMARY:

The application of 70# N/ac versus the 35# rate resulted in a highly significant yield increase. The extra cost of the nitrogen with \$5.00 per bushel corn price results in a zero net gain. However, at \$6.00 per bushel corn, the grower would have netted an extra \$5 per acre.



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Title: Foliar Applied Generate on Corn

Crop: Corn County: Butler **OFRN Operator:** Bruce Glock

Objective: To determine the effect of Generate on the profitability

of corn production.

Treatments: Check

Generate (32 oz)

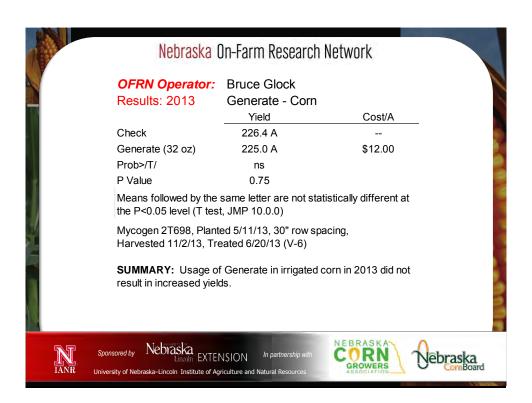


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Years: 2013

Title: **Direct Harvest Variety Trial** 

Crop: **Dry Beans** County: **Box Butte OFRN Operator:** Tim Hashman

Obiective: To determine and document varietal harvest loss in dry

bean direct harvest.

Treatments: Santa Cruz

LaPaz Monterrey



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Tim Hashman

Information: 2013 Dry Bean Direct Harvest

The purpose of this study was to compare 3 different Pinto bean varieties in a direct harvest bean production system looking at both yield and harvest loss. Traditionally dry beans are harvested in a three step process starting with cutting, then windrowing and finally combining. Direct harvest is simply one pass through the field with the combine. A good upright bean variety, proper level field conditions and a combine header suitable for direct harvest are essential to minimize harvest loss and economically justify direct harvest.

This study evaluated three Pinto bean varieties, all suitable for direct harvest. The varieties: Santa Cruz, LaPaz and Monterrey were replicated four times in plots 770 by 40 ft. The plots were planted in a randomized complete block design on June 7 with a Sunflower double disk drill with 7.5 inch row spacing. Stand counts were taken on June 28 when beans were approximately 3 inches tall. The plots were all fertilized, sprinkler irrigated and treated identically. The pre-emergent herbicide Outlook with post emergent application of Raptor and Result were applied to the entire field with average weed control. Fungicides and copper were applied to manage fungal and bacterial disease potential. Gramoxone was applied Sept. 3 as a pre harvest desiccant. Pod height measurements to determine the percent of pods above 2 inches were taken on Sept 9. Low hanging pods are a major cause of harvest loss in this process.



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**OFRN Operator:** Tim Hashman

Information: 2013 Dry Bean Direct Harvest

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The plots were harvested on Sept. 18 using a Gleanor R76 combine equipped with a MacDon FD70, 35ft draper header. The center 35 feet of the 40 foot plot was harvested. The harvested plot area was 0.62 acres per treatment per rep. The beans from each plot were weighed using a Parkan Weigh Wagon. Nine square foot counts along the plot area were taken the day of harvest to estimate harvest loss during combining. A sample of beans was taken from each plot and analyzed for quality by Kelley Bean Company in Alliance. All bean samples graded USDA #1, and the moistures were between 12 and 13.9%. The dry beans direct harvested in the surrounding field were Pinto variety Sinaloa with an average yield of 50 bu/ac.



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**OFRN Operator:** Tim Hashman

Results: 2013 Dry Bean Direct Harvest Loss

			Plant	Harvest	Pod
_	Yield	Moisture	Population	Loss	Height
LaPaz	51.8 A	12.5 B	125k AB	2.83 AB	97.3 A
Monterrey	51.3 A	12.3 B	134k A	2.23 B	96.1 AB
Santacruz	48.3 B	13.1 A	118k B	3.13 A	95.5 B
Prob>/T/	0.0198**	0.0064***	0.0691*	0.0633*	0.0314**

Plant Population - Growing season plant population. (June 28) **Harvest Loss** - Beans remaining on ground after harvesting. (bu/acre) Pod Height - Percent of pods greater than 2" above the soil.



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Tim Hashman

Summary: Dry Bean Direct Harvest Loss

(2013) LaPaz, Monterrey, and Santa Cruz are all Pinto dry bean varieties with upright characteristics suitable for direct harvest. There were significant differences between treatments but not large differences. With Pinto beans at \$40 per cwt at harvest the yield difference of 3.5 bu/ac amounts to \$84 per acre. Harvest loss differences amounted to \$22 per acre. Differences in pod height above the soil existed. This characteristic can be very important in minimizing direct harvest loss.





2013 Years:

Title: Interactions of Generate and Stratego YLD Fungicide

Crop: Soybeans Butler County: **OFRN Operator:** Jim Heins

Objective: Document potential interactions of Generate and

> Stratego YLD on soybean yield 1) Herbicide + Generate @ 32 oz./acre

Treatments: 2) Herbicide + Generate followed by Stratego YLD @ 4 oz./acre

3) Herbicide followed by Stratego YLD @ 4 oz./acre

4) Herbicide only

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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Jim Heins

Information: 2013 Soybeans - Generate and Fungicide

6/8/13 - NK S28-K1 Planted 140,000 - Harvest 10/10/13

7/3/13 - Applied w/ 10 gpa, V2, Herbicide applied w/wo Generate as tank mix Durango 32 oz./acre, Cadet 0.5 oz., 5 oz. Targa and 1 qt. crop oil/100 gal

8/9/13 - Stratego YLD @ 4 oz./acre, crop growth stage = R2-3 (some plants with pods) 8/12/13 - 2nd herbicide application - 1 qt/acre Durango and 0.2 oz. Cadet + AMS

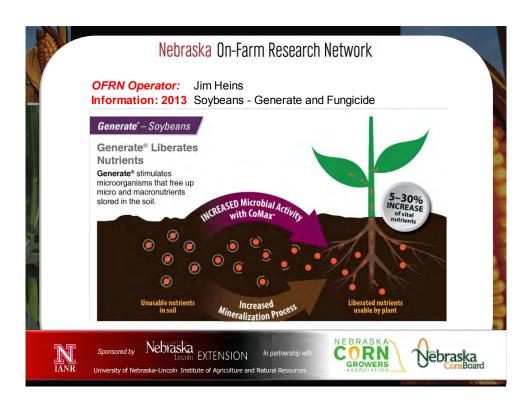
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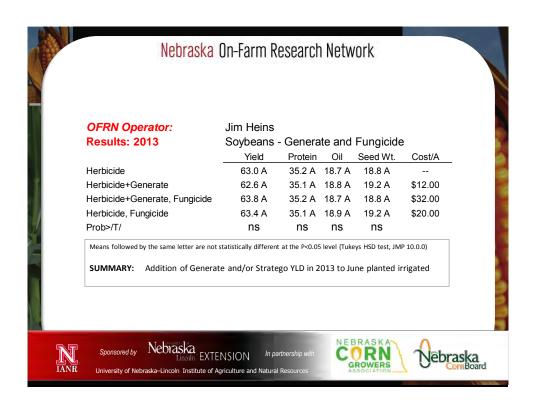


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Years: 2013

Title: Interactions of Ratchet and Stratego YLD Fungicide

Crop: Sovbeans County: Butler **OFRN Operator:** Jim Heins

Objective: Document potential interactions of Ratchet and

Stratego YLD on soybean yield

1) Herbicide + Ratchet @ 4 oz./acre Treatments:

2) Herbicide + Ratchet followed by Stratego YLD @ 4 oz./acre

3) Herbicide followed by Stratego YLD @ 4 oz./acre

4) Herbicide only



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### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator: Jim Heins** 

Results: 2013

6/8/13 - NK S28-K1 Planted 140,000 - Harvest 10/9/13

7/3/13 - Applied w/ 10 gpa, V2, Herbicide applied w/wo Ratchet as tank mix Durango 32 oz./acre, Cadet 0.5 oz., 5 oz. Targa and 1 qt. crop oil/100 gal

8/9/13 - Stratego YLD @ 4 oz./acre, crop growth stage = R2-3 (some plants with pods, but not 8/12/13 - 2nd herbicide application consisting of 1 qt/acre Durango and 0.2 oz. Cadet + AMS

Ratchet is Novozymes' patented LCO Promoter Technology for foliar applications. This unique LCO (lipo-chitooligosaccharide) molecule enhances nutritional capabilities that improve nutritional capabilities that drive natural growth processes; maximizing plant health and crop performance. Ratchet is currently available for use in corn, soybeans and alfalfa



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**OFRN Operator:** Jim Heins

Results: 2013 Soybeans - Ratchet and Fungicide

	Yield	Protein	Oil	Seed Wt.	Cost/A
Herbicide + Ratchet	61.0 A	35.2 A	18.7 A	18.1 A	\$5.00
Herbicide + Ratchet, Fungicide	62.0 A	35.4 A	18.7 A	18.8 A	\$25.00
Herbicide, Fungicide	61.6 A	35.4 A	18.7 A	18.9 A	\$20.00
Herbicide	61.1 A	35.2 A	18.7 A	19.0 A	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	ns	ns	

Means followed by the same letter are not statistically different at the P<0.05 level (Tukeys HSD test, JMP 10.0.0)

SUMMARY: Addition of Ratchet and/or Stratego YLD in 2013 to June planted irrigated soybeans did not provide positive economic return.

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Corn Nitrogen Rates Title:

Corn Crop: County: Dodge

**OFRN Operator:** Rusty Hilgenkamp

Objective: Determine the most profitable nitrogen rate in

the production of dryland corn

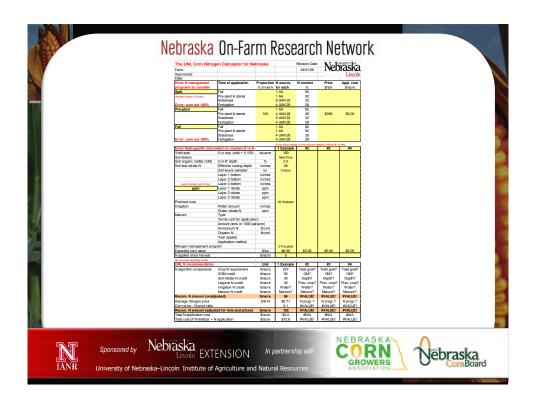
Treatments: **UNL** Recommendation

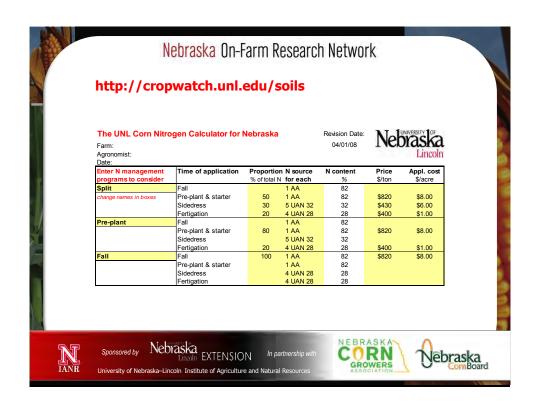
UNL +40 lbs



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OFRN Operator: Rusty Hilgenkamp Information: 2013 Corn Nitrogen Rates

Planted DKC 63-87 @ 26.5k 5/13/13

Harvest - 11/11/13

Sprayed May 17, 2013 - 100 # - 32%, + sulfur, 2-4D, atrazine and Corvus (preemerge). 1" rainfall shortly after application.

Sidedress -June 21st, 40 lbs. of N (28%) at V5 - V6 stage. Field received 0.75" precip soon after application.







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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Rusty Hilgenkamp Results: 2013 Corn Nitrogen Rates

	Yield	Cost/A
UNL Rate	206.1 B	71.25
UNL + 40lbs	212.2 A	99.75
Prob>/T/	0.0316 **	









**OFRN Operator:** Rusty Hilgenkamp Corn Nitrogen Rates Summary:

(2013) Summary - The 40# of sidedressed nitrogen cost an additional \$28.50 and resulted in a significant yield increase of 6 bushel per acre. At \$5.00 per bushel corn the net profit is minimal. Six dollar per bushel corn results in a net gain of \$7.50/ac. Clearly the cost of nitrogen and price of corn needs to be factored into the nitrogen rate decision making process.

Also, this study does not answer the question "what if the UNL rate (100#) would have been applied at sidedress"?

## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

2013 Years:

Title: Mid Season Nitrogen (Small Plot Research)

Crop: Corn Nemaha County: Dan Hodges **OFRN Operator:** 

Objective: To determine & document the effect of Mid-Season

Nitrogen on the profitability of corn production.

Treatments: Check

> 39 lbs (46-0-0) 59 lbs (46-0-0) 79 lbs (46-0-0)



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**OFRN Operator:** Dan Hodges

Information: 2013 Mid Season Nitrogen

#### MID SEASON NITROGEN APPLICATION

Under certain environmental conditions, corn may show significant nitrogen deficiencies in the growing season during a critical period of development (R1-R6). This may be due to exceptionally wet soil conditions which cause nitrogen losses from the soil from leaching or saturated soils which leads to denitrification. Nitrogen can also be lost from runoff when applied on top of the soil surface. Sometimes corn can show nitrogen deficiency symptoms when supplemental nitrogen is unable to be applied due to wet soil conditions or the corn becoming too tall for side-dressing.

Previous on-farm research conducted in Missouri indicates mid-season nitrogen application may be economically feasible. In Northwest Missouri in 2013, local ag suppliers were flying on urea to nitrogen deficient corn fields. This experiment was conducted to test the feasibility of this management practice.

Experiments were initiated during the summer of 2013. Two experiments were conducted in the two fields on the Dan Hodges farm north east of Auburn in Nemaha County.



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### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Dan Hodges

Information: 2013 Mid Season Nitrogen

#### MID SEASON NITROGEN APPLICATION (Continued)

This experiment was repeated in two fields on the Dan Hodges farm northeast of Auburn in Nemaha County. Nitrogen was applied at the rates of 0, 39, 59 and 79 lbs N/ac. These rates were used because it was initially thought Dan farmed in 30" rows and the fertilizer quantities had already been weighed out for each plot, but when it was discovered he farms in 38" rows and each plot was 25' x 12.67' (4-38"), rates were recalculated and applied to the plots.

At harvest time, (October 8 -15), 15' of the 2 middle rows were hand-harvested. Corn was shelled, tested for moisture and yields were calculated on a 15.5% moisture basis.

NOTE: 35 lbs nitrogen applied at planting. Due to equipment failure and weather interuption the window for side dressing 75 lbs addtional nitrogen did not occur on the entire field. Aerial application of nitrogen was unavailable due to fungicide applications.

Where the crop did get a side dress application the corn averaged 150-160 bu/acre.



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OFRN Operator: Dan Hodges

Results: 2013 Mid Season Nitrogen

	Yield-East	Cost/A	Gross Income	Net Income
Check	113.1 B			
39 lbs N	146.6 A	\$27.29	\$140.70	\$113.41
59 lbs N	155.7 A	\$33.59	\$178.92	\$145.33
79 lbs N	147.4 A	\$39.89	\$144.06	\$104.17
Prob>/T/	0.0110**			

Costs with N at  $0.315/lb \ \ 15/ac$  application - Applied 7/26/13 (46-0-0) - R1 stage of growth

Pioneer 32T84 29,800 5/11/2013 @ 2", P 10-34-0 30 lbs P w Planter

Prior Crop: Soybeans - 2012, N 28-0-0 35 lbs N 2x2 Side dress. Marginal income values based upon \$4.20 price/ bushel.



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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Dan Hodges

Results: 2013 Mid Season Nitrogen

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	Yield-West	Cost/A	Gross Income	Net Income
Check	125.9 C			
39 lbs N	149.8 AB	\$27.29	\$100.38	\$73.09
59 lbs N	146.6 B	\$33.59	\$86.94	\$53.35
79 lbs N	162.1 A	\$39.89	\$152.04	\$112.15
Prob>/T/	0.0010***			

Costs with N at \$0.315/lb & \$15/ac application - Applied 7/10/13 (46-0-0) Wyffels 7477 29,800 5/16/2013 @ 2", P 10-34-0 30 lbs P w Planter

Prior Crop: Soybeans - 2012, N 28-0-0 35 lbs N 2x2 Side dress. Marginal income values based upon \$4.20 price/bushel.





**OFRN Operator:** Dan Hodges

Mid Season Nitrogen **Summary:** 

Both experiments showed a significant increase in yield when nitrogen was applied mid-season to nitrogen deficient corn. It appears there may be some differences in how different hybrids respond to mid-season nitrogen application, but both hybrids responded to even low levels of mid-season nitrogen application. At current corn prices this practice was economically viable and shows promise. Success of mid-season surface applied nitrogen application is dependent upon sufficient rainfall after nitrogen application. Future on-farm research experiments will be conducted if nitrogen deficient corn fields are identified to evaluate the feasibility of mid-season nitrogen application.

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2012-2013 Title: Inoculant Crop: Soybeans County: Hamilton

**OFRN Operator: Brandon Hunnicut** 

Objective: Study effect of inoculant on soybean production and

profitability.

Check vs XiteBio SoyRhizo Inoculant. 8.7 fl/oz./ac. Treatments:

In-furrow



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**OFRN Operator:** 

**Brandon Hunnicut** 

Information: 2012-2013 Soybean - Growth Innoculant

XiteBio SoyRhizo Liquid Soybean Inoculant Active Ingredient: 2×109 Bradyrhizobium japonicum SoyRhizo is a low volume, versatile premium liquid inoculant that can be applied on-seed or in-furrow and is available as a ready to use package. SoyRhizo is based on an AGPT (Advanced Growth Promoting Technology) platform, a revolutionary concept in soybean inoculant formulation. This allows SoyRhizo to: encourage greater root nodulation boost

#### Features of SoyRhizo:

- Active Ingredient:

  2×10<sup>9</sup> Bradyrhiz
- Ready-to-Use Liquid
- Sovbean
- Application:
- On-seed or In-furrow Package size:

2.5 L (4x50 Unit Case) 10 L (1x200 Unit Case)

Application Rate:

2.0 fl oz/60 lbs (60 ml/27 kg)

0.5 fl oz/100 ft row (15 ml/304 m row)

Seed Treatment Compatibility:

Compatible with most popular soybean seed treatments

As high as 26 bu/ac 9 bu/ac on average in 2011 trials



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higher nitrogen fixation result in

healthier plants and better yields

enhance overall plant performance

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator: Brandon Hunnicut** 

Information: 2012 Soybean - Innoculant

Varieties:

AgVenture 31K3 & 332

Soil:

Hastings Silt Loam

Establish Verdict @ 5 oz Roundup @ 24 oz

Sugar @ 1 qt

Targa @ 5 oz

Headline 3 oz

Targa is a post-emergence selective herbicide that provides control of annual and perennial grass in a broad range of row and specialty crops.



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OFRN Operator:
Results: 2012

Brandon Hunnicut
Soybeans-Yield
Inoculant

XiteBio Treatment Check Yield, bu/ac @13% 73.0 75.9 Cost/Acre \$3.40 Prob>/T/ 0.5027 ns Α Α Variety 31K3 33X1 Yield, bu/ac @13% 82.2 66.8 Cost/Acre \$54 \$54 Prob>/T/ 0.0038\*\* Α В 31K3+Xite 31K3

Variety \* Treatment 33X1+Xite 33X1 Yield, bu/ac @13% 83.6 8.08 65.2 68.3 Cost/Acre \$64 \$54 \$64 \$54 Prob>/T/ 0.9706 ns Α AΒ AΒ В

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Brandon Hunnicut Results: 2012 Soybeans-Moisture

Inoculant

Treatment Check XiteBio
Moisture 10.4 10.1
Prob>/T/ 0.1404 ns A A

Hybrid 31K3 33X1 Moisture 10.3 10.3 Prob>/T/ 0.9413 ns A A

Hybrid \* Treatment 31K3+Xite 31K3 33X1+Xite 33X1

Moisture 10.4 10.1 10.2 10.4

Prob>/T/ 0.7136 ns A A A B



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**OFRN Operator:** Brandon Hunnicut **Results: 2013** Soybean - Innoculant

	Yield	Moisture	Cost/A	
Check	83.2 A	10.7 A		
XiteBio SoyRhizo	81.9 A	10.9 A	\$3.40	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns		

**SUMMARY: (2013)** The treatment resulted in a lower yield than the check but the statistical anlaysis did not find the differnce was significant. **(2012)** There was a significant difference in yield between the two soybean varieties in this study, but no significant difference between the Check and the XiteBio treatment.



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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**Years:** 2013

Title: Growth regulators on soybeans

Crop: Soybean County: Hamilton

**OFRN Operator:** Brandon Hunnicut

**Objective:** To determine and document the effect of growth

regulators on the profitability of soybean production.

Treatments: Check vs Conklin Soil X-CYTO 10 fl oz per acre in-furrow



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**OFRN Operator:** Brandon Hunnicut

Information: 2013 Soybean - Growth Regulators

Conklin Soil X-CYTO® Plant Growth Regulator

EPA-registered plant growth regulator and plant parasitic nematode

suppressant

For general applications use 10 to 30 ounces per acre with starter fertilizer infurrow or 4 to 8 ounces per acre of seed as a seed treatment See

"supplemental labeling for nematode suppression" for specific rate and use recommendations.

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**OFRN Operator:** Brandon Hunnicut

Results: 2013 Soybean - Growth Regulators

	Yield	Moisture	Cost/A	
Check	80.7 B	10.8 A		
Conklin Soil X-Cyto	83.2 A	10.8 A	\$8.71	
	0.0203**	ns		

**SUMMARY:** The treatment resulted in a yield advantage of 2.5 bushels per acre that was validated by the statistical analysis. Additionally the revenue generated from the additional yield exceeded the cost of the product.



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2013 Years:

Title: Soybean Inoculant

Crop: Soybean County: Hamilton

**OFRN Operator:** Brandon Hunnicut

Objective: To determine and document the effect of Magnify

inoculant on the profitability of soybean production.

Treatments: Check no inoculant

Conklin Magnify LST Inoculant 8.4 fl oz per acre in-furrow

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OFRN Operator: Brandon Hunnicut Information: 2013 Soybean - Inoculant

Conklin Magnify - Live Microbial Soybean Seed Inoculant

Inoculation is the most cost-effective method of providing nitrogen to legume crops. In order to maximize your crop's yield, many leading university research studies recommend inoculation with a high-quality, high-potency  $product \ like \ Magnify \ LST. \ Conklin's \ live \ microbial \ liquid \ soy bean \ in oculant \ uses \ superior \ technology \ that \ effectively$ grows your soybean yields at a low cost per acre. Magnify LST, when used at designated rates, will provide 10 - 20 times the level of live, nitrogen-fixing bacteria to each seed in a soybean planting system than traditional technology. Magnify LST is a liquid seed inoculant containing three billion viable bacteria cells per gram. These bacteria, Bradyrhizobium japonicum, provide nitrogen for plant growth by a process called nitrogen fixation. The  $symbiotic relationship\ between\ the\ bacteria\ and\ plant\ allows\ the\ bacteria\ to\ perform\ efficient,\ effective\ nodulation$ on the soybean root allowing more nitrogen fixation to occur. And the bacteria derive nutrition from the plant. Higher soybean yields and protein content, healthier plants and increased profits are proven results on both new and repeat soybean acreage.

- High Potency
- Safe and easy-to-use
- Scientifically-proven to increase yields
- Convenient, non-frozen, non-refrigerated formula · Flexible seed treatment and in-furrow application methods
- Application Rates

For seed application: Apply as is at a rate of 2.1 oz. per 50 lbs. of soybean seed.

For in-furrow application: Apply 8.4 oz. per acre in water volume sufficient to provide uniform coverage In-furrow application must deliver inoculant on seed to be effective.



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**OFRN Operator:** Brandon Hunnicut Results: 2013 Soybean - Inoculant

Yield Moisture Cost Check 84.2 A 10.6 A 82.3 A Innoculant 10.7 A \$1.63 Prob>/T/ ns

**SUMMARY:** The untreated yield was higher than the treated yield, but the differnce was not supported by the statistical analysis.

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

2013 Years:

Title: Starter and Insecticide

Crop: Soybean Hamilton County:

**OFRN Operator: Brandon Hunnicut** 

To determine and document the effect of starter and Objective: insecticide on the profitability of soybean production.

Treatments: Check no starter

Nachurs 2 gal/ac + Capture LFR 3.84 fl oz/ac in-furrow



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**OFRN Operator: Brandon Hunnicut** 

Results: 2013 Soybean - Starter and Insecticide

Yield Moisture Cost Check 79.76 A 9.5 A 77.2 A Starter & Insecticide 9.4 A Prob>/T/ ns ns

SUMMARY: The untreated yield was higher than the treated yield, but the differnce was not supported by the statistical analysis.

Cost information was not available at time of publication.







## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Title: Headline Fungicide - In-Furrow and Foliar

Crop: Corn County: Cuming

**OFRN Operator:** KornhuskerKids 4-H (Chris Schiller)

Objective: To determine and document the effect of fungicide on the

profitability of corn production.

Treatments: In-Furrow Fungicide vs. Foliar Fungicide



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OFRN Operator: KornhuskerKids 4-H Information: 2013 Corn - Fungicide

For our challenge we decided to determine the effect of a fungicide application at different plant growth stages. Our control would be no fungicide application with two treatments, one at planting in furrow with starter fertilizer and the second applied at approximately V7. We also decided that we would use the randomized and replicated plot with five replications.

This was an excellent learning experience for us. We learned a lot about corn production, how to scout corn and what to look for during the growing season. We were able to learn how to determine the growth stage of the corn plant at any time during the growing season as well. By having three treatments we were able to compare the plants in all three environments to determine if there were any differences.



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OFRN Operator: KornhuskerKids 4-H Information: 2013 Corn - Fungicide

Continued...

We have included a map showing the variable rate application of 11-52-0 fertilizer from fall of

2012. We have also included two NDVI (Normalized Difference Vegetation Index) satellite maps. We used the NDVI maps as another tool to see if we could find any differences in the treatments. Generally with the NDVI maps there were really no big differences. The last map we included is the actual harvest map from the combine yield monitor. With this map we can visually see the difference in the treatments

Kaleb Hasenkamp Matthew Rolf Payton Schiller



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OFRN Operator: KornhuskerKids 4-H (Chris Schiller)

Results: 2013 Corn - Fungicide

	Yield	Moisture	TW	Cost/A	
Check	221.1 A	19.2 A	56.7 A		
Headline in Furrow	219.6 A	18.8 A	57.5 A	\$ 9.60	
Headline Foliar	220.7 A	19.0 A	57.4 A	\$ 19.20	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	ns		

Headline in Furrow (3 oz), Headline Foliar (6 oz) @ v7

Planting Corn NoTill 5/16/2013 CoverCrop Rye NoTill-Fall

Kruger K4R 9306 Poncho/Votivo 500 29000 5/16/2013 (SmartStax),

Harvested 10/12/13

Starter 6-24-64 gal in Furrow

N 32-0-0 120 Sidedress P 11-52-0 74.5 VariRate



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# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** KornhuskerKids 4-H (Chris Schiller) Corn - Fungicide **Summary:** 

(2013) There was no statistical yield, moisture, or test weight difference as a result of the application of fungicide in-furrow at planting or foliar at V7. No ratings for stalk quality or disease pressure were taken. The control treatment had the best return on investment.



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Years: 2012-2013

Title: Fungicide vs Sugar on Corn

Crop: Corn York County:

**OFRN Operator:** Ron and Ray Makovicka

Objective: Study effect of fungicide or sugar on corn

production and profitability

Treatments: Check vs Stratego vs Sugar

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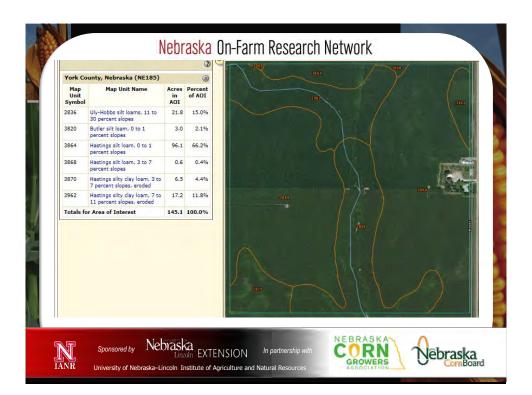
Apply 1 to 2 quarts per acre with starter fertilizers; 1 to 2 pints when adding to foliar sprays.

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**OFRN Operator:** Ron and Ray Makovicka

Information: 2012

Hybrid: Pioneer P1324HR Sugar 3 lb @ \$1.80 ac Stratego YLD 2 oz @ \$7.12 ac

Note: Sprayed v5-v6

Hail @ v3 w/ slight stand reduction

Corn

Brawl II ATZ @ qt 2.1 Durango @ oz 22 24D@oz6 Impact @ oz 0.5 Durango @ oz 22 Stratego YLD Quilt Xcel @ oz 10.5 Hero @ oz 2

Capture @ oz 6.8 Hero @ oz 5

Lorsban @ pt 1



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**OFRN Operator:** Results: 2012

Ron and Ray Makovicka

Corn

Stratego

238.1

7.12

AΒ

13.5

Α

Sugar

239.9

\$1.80

Α

13.5

Α

31.2k

Α

Treatment Check Yield, bu/ac @15.5% 237.6 Cost/Acre Prob>/T/ 0.0666\* В Moisture, % 13.5 Prob>/T/ 0.8091 ns Α

Harvest Population 31k 31.1k Prob>/T/ 0.2775 ns Α Α

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OFRN Operator: Ron and Ray Makovicka Results: 2013 Fungicide vs Sugar

	Yield	Moisture	HPop	Lodging	Cost/A
Check	228.0 B	19.6 A	31.0k A	3.13%	
Sugar	231.4 AB	19.4 A	31.5k A	2.50%	\$6.00
Stratego YLD	232.3 A	19.4 A	32.3k A	3.75%	\$5.63
Prob>/T/	0.0630*	ns	ns		

Pioneer 33D42 Planted 5/10/13 @33k

NH3 @180 lbs fall 2012

Stratego 2 oz @7 leaf, Sugar (PlenTSweet) 3qts

10 gal / acre

Note: Application costs not noted









### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Ron and Ray Makovicka Summary: Fungicide vs sugar

(2012) The Sugar and Stratego treatments applied at V5 yielded significantly higher than the check treatment. There was no statistical difference in harvest moisture or plant population. Stalk rot ratings were not taken for stand ability.

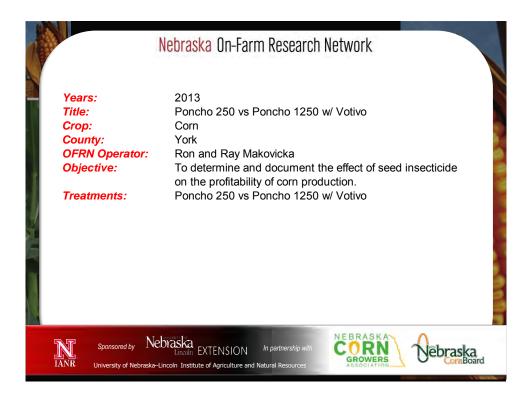
(2013) The Stratego treatments applied at V7 yielded significantly higher than the check treatment. There was no statistical difference in moisture, plant population or percent lodging.

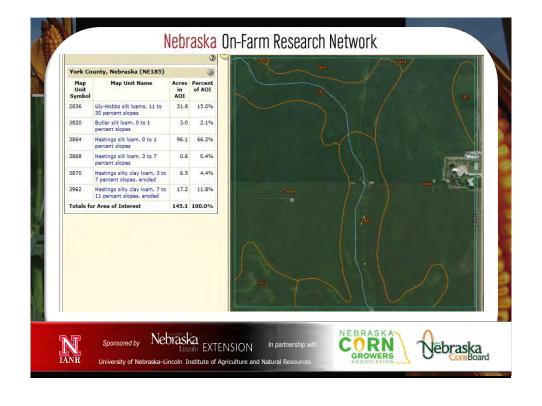


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OFRN Operator: Ron and Ray Makovicka

Results: 2013 Corn - Poncho 250 vs Poncho 1250 Votivo

	Yield	Moisture	TW	Cost/A	
Poncho 250	237.4 A	18.4 A	61.0 A	\$86.32	
Poncho 1250 Votivo	237.1 A	18.3 A	60.9 A	\$94.31	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	ns		

Pioneer 1498 HR Poncho 250 33000 5/1/2013

Pioneer 1498 HR Poncho 1250 with Votivo 33000, Ridgetill, Harvest 10/19/13

NH# 180 lb Fall of 2012

Pre BicepII Magnum 2.1 qt Post Roundup Pmax 32 oz Armezon 0.5 oz Capture LFR 8 oz

Irrigation Pivot 9.0"

Hastings Silty loam and Hastings Silty Clay Loam 0-1% to 6-11%







# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Ron and Ray Makovicka

**Summary:** 

Corn - Poncho 250 vs Poncho 1250 Votivo

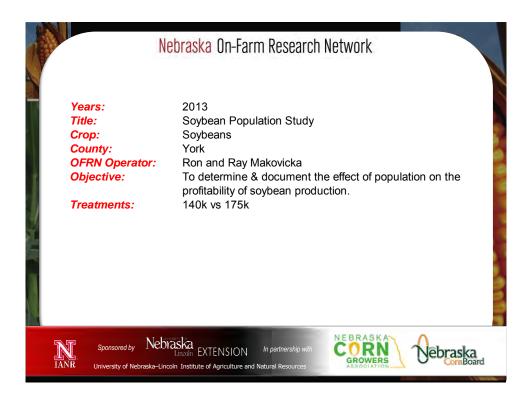
(2013) Summary - There was no significant difference in yield, moisture or test weight for the Poncho 250 vs the Poncho 1250 Votivo. No nematode samples were taken.

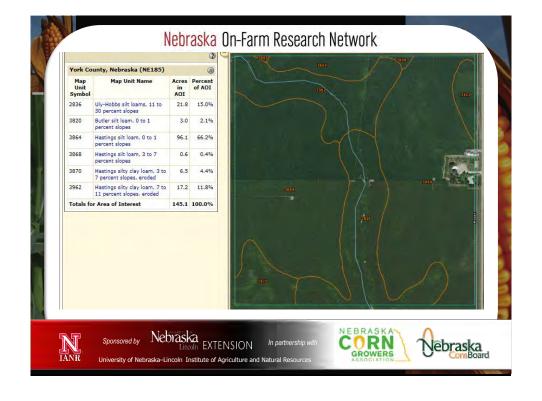


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OFRN Operator: Ron and Ray Makovicka Results: 2013 Soybean - Population

Yield Moisture TW Hpop Cost/A 140k 79.0 A 10.8 B 55.6 A 121.1kB \$46.60 175k 77.8 B 56.1 A 11.0 A \$56.26 141.0k A Prob>/T/ 0.0141\*\* 0.0741\* 0.000\*\*\*

30" spacing 93Y15, Planting Soybeans Ridgetill 5/14/13, Harvest 10/2/13

Hastings Silty loam and Hastings Silty Clay Loam 0-1% to 6-11%

Insecticide: R3 Leverage 360 2.8 oz 8/5/2013 Fungicide: R3 Stratego 4.0 oz 8/5/2013

Herbicide: Pre Authority Assist 4SC Post Roundup 32 oz Volunteer 5 oz









# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Ron and Ray Makovicka **Summary:** Soybean - Population

(2013) There was a significant yield increase (1.2 bu./acre) for the 140,000 soybean population compared to the 175,000 soybean population. No difference in test weight, however the 140,000 population was slightly drier and statistically significant.

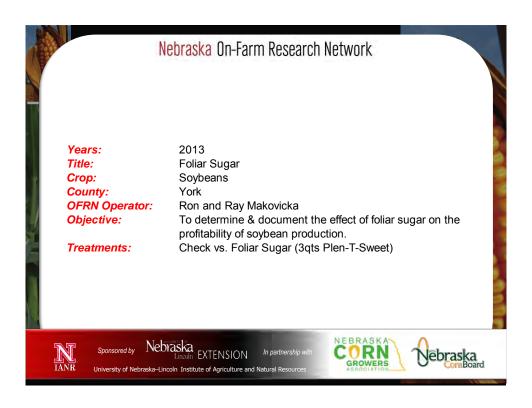
These results are similar to many past soybean population studies that confirm planting at 120,000 seeds/acre can achieve maximum economic yields and returns.

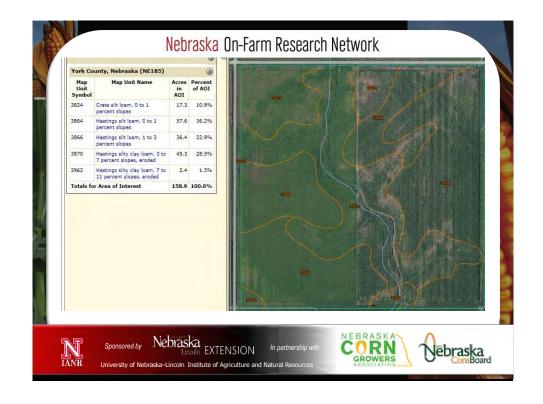


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OFRN Operator: Ron and Ray Makovicka Results: 2013 Soybeans - Foliar Sugar

	Yield	Moisture	HPop	Cost/A	
Check	74.9 B	11.9 A	111.7 A		
Foliar Sugar	75.9 A	11.9 A	113.3 A	\$6.00	
Prob>/T/	.062	ns	ns		

Pioneer 93M11, 5/15/2013, 145,000. Harvest 9/30/13, Ridge Till, Pivot Irrigated 7.5"

Rain event 2 hours after application

3 qts (Plen-T-Sweet) Sugar applied 7/22/13 @ R3 stage

Herbicide: Authority Assis. 5 oz/acre, 1st RoundUp Power Max 32 oz/acre, 2nd

RoundUp Power Max 32 oz/acre + 6 oz/acre Volunteer

Seed Treatment: Trilex and Allegiance

SUMMARY: There was a significant increase in yield for the foliar sugar treatment. However, there was no significant difference in harvest moisture and final harvest populations.

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

2010-2013 Years: Title: Plant Population

Crop: Corn

**OFRN Operator:** John McNamara - Wiles Bros Inc

Objective: To determine and document the effect of plant population

on the profitability of corn production.

24k vs 30k (10-11) Treatments:

24k, 28k, 32k, 36k (12) 28k, 32k, 36k, 40k (13)

Row Spacing 30"



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**OFRN Operator:** John McNamara - Wiles Bros Inc Results: 2010-Corn (Dekalb DKC65-63)

Planting Rate

Variable 30,000 24,000 Prob >/T/ Yield, bu/ac @ 15.5% 0.0001 \*\*\* 152 166 Moisture, % 18.5 1.000 ns 18.5 Plants, 1000/ac 22.1 28.3 <0.0001 \*\*\*

Cost/ac \$75.00 \$93.75

Planted: 4/6/10 Harvested: 9/15/10







## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** John McNamara - Wiles Bros Inc

Results: 2011 Corn (Dekalb DKC65-63)

Planting Rate

30,000 Variable 24,000 Prob >/T/ Yield, bu/ac @ 15.5% 150 0.0001 \*\*\* 125 Moisture, % 15.2 15.0 0.2322 ns

Cost/ac \$75.27 \$94.12

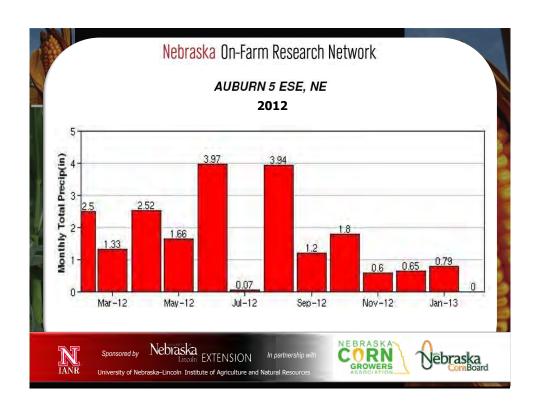
Planted: 5/7/11 Harvested: 10/10/11

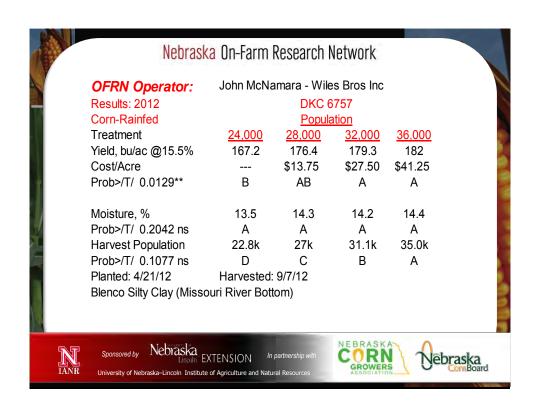


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**OFRN Operator:** John McNamara - Wiles Bros Inc Results: 2013 (Dekalb DKC64-69)

	Yield	Moisture	HPop	Cost
28k	260.6 A	21.5 A	27.0k D	\$108.85
32k	263.3 A	21.5 A	31.2k C	\$124.40
36k	269.7 A	21.5 A	34.9k B	\$139.95
40k	283.6 B	21.5 A	38.3k A	\$155.50
Prob>/T/	0.0003***	ns	ns	

Planted 04/06/2013 at 12-1:30 p.m.—2" Deep—JD 1790 Planter with 5 gal of 10-34-0 in the furrow, 3.4 oz of Capture LFR—Soil Temp was 40 Degrees at 4" Harvested 9/23/2013 -- JD S670 Combine. Otoe County - Missouri River Bottom -Sub-Irrigated.



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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

#### **OFRN Operator:** John McNamara - Wiles Bros Inc

#### SUMMARY:

(2013) The 40K seeds/acre rate had the highest yield as compared to the 28K, 32K and 36K seeds per acre. The increased grain yield covered the increase in seed cost. This site represents a high yielding sub-irrigated growing environment.

(2012) Hybrid DeKalb 6757 planted no-till into soybean stubble received about 15.9" of rain (according to NE Rain) and this is also a sub-irrigated site. The 24,000 seed/acre rate yielded statistically less than 32,000 and 36,000 seeds/acre. The seeding rate of 36,000 seeds/acre had the highest yield and did pay for additional seed cost compared to an assumed 24,000 seed/acre standard rate in 2012 (assuming a \$7/bu corn price). From 2010-2012, the highest plant population for each study for this cooperator resulted in the highest yield and economic return.



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Years: 2013

Title: Rolled vs Unrolled seedbed

Crop:

**OFRN Operator:** John McNamara - Wiles Bros Inc

Objective: To determine and document the effect of a rolled seedbed

on the profitability of corn production.

Treatments: Rolled vs Unrolled seedbed



## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: John McNamara - Wiles Bros Inc

Results: 2013 Corn - Rolled Seedbed

	YLD	MST	HPOP
Check	233.3	21.5	28.9k
Rolled	219.7	22.2	28.8k
Prob>/T/	_	_	_

NOTE: Study layout was not randomized, therefore statistical analysis is null.





Years: 2013

Title: Foliar Feed on Corn

Crop: Corn Platte County:

**OFRN Operator: Brent Melliger** 

Objective: To determine & document the effect of foliar feed on

the profitability of corn production.

Treatments: Check

Kugler S1515

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Brent Melliger Information: 2013 Foliar Feed on Corn

Kugler KS 1515:

15-15-2 (40% slow release nitrogen)

Kugler KS 1515 is a source of phosphate and potassium. Kugler KS 1515 is perfect for foliar application later in the season—allowing you to provide N,P and K at optimum stages of development.

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OFRN Operator: Brent Melliger

Results: 2013 Foliar Feed on Corn

	6 Pairs Excluded			Includes all Pairs	
_	Yield	Moisture	Cost/A	Yield	Moisture
Check	248.8 A	17.1 B		235.5 A	17.0 B
K1515	247.8 A	17.3 A	\$5.90	242.1 A	17.3 A
Prob>/T/	ns(0.6075)	0.0256**		ns(0.1405)	0.0025***

Dekalb 6297 Double Pro Xcelleron 34000 Planting date - 5/11/2013. Harvest date - 10/26/13. 10" Flood Irrigation Kugler KS 1515 1 gal 6/24/2013 Foliar \$5.90/ A Micro Max sprayed foliar 6/24/2013 Foliar \$2.81 /A Crop Stage V7-V 8 Sprayed Roundup mixed with Kuglar 1515 + MicroMax 24 rows every other 24 rows across field Check had Roundup mixed with an AMS product and MicroMax. Soil Test Fall 2012:OM 1.7%, P-11, P+46, K343, Mg181, Calcium 1893, Na 50, pH 7.1, CEC 12.1, N 58 0-8", Sulfur 27, Zn 1.6, Mn 5, Fe 23, Cu 1.3, Boron 0.3

SUMMARY: There was no statistical yield difference as a result of the foliar application of KS 1515 at V7-V8 when all paired comparisons are analyzed. However, There was a large amount of variability in 6 strips that contained low spots with some dryland. When these 6 low strips are excluded from the data, there was no statistical yield difference as a result of the application of KS 1515, but the yield trend did change. With both analyses, there was a statistical moisture difference, with KS 1515 having slightly higher grain moisture at harvest.



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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Title: Ascend Growth Regulator

Crop: Corn County: Platte

**OFRN Operator: Brent Melliger** 

Determine the profitability of including Ascend growth Objective:

regulator in starter fertilizer

Treatments: Ascend in furrow (5oz)

Starter Fertilizer Only

Starter Fertilizer + Ascend in furrow (Corn on Corn)



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#### OFRN Operator: Brent Melliger Information: 2013 Ascend Growth Regulator

 $Accelerate \, leaf, stem \, and \, root \, growth \, and \, health \, with \, Ascend^{\scriptsize @} \, plant \, growth \, regulator. \, Ascend^{\scriptsize @} \, plant \, growth$ regulator contains an optimum combination of three plant growth regulators and can be used as a seed treatment, in furrow or as a foliar application. Ascend® plant growth regulator can also be applied by ground, air or chemigation.

Cytokinin is a natural plant growth regulator that promotes cell division and leaf expansion while slowing leaf aging.  $Gibber ellic acids are \ naturally \ occurring \ plant \ growth \ regulators \ that \ stimulate \ cell \ division \ and \ elongation \ in$  $leaves and stems. \ In do le but yric acid is a plant growth regulator that stimulates vigorous root formation and leaves and stems. \\$ development, and increases cell elongation.

#### Application Rate and Timing

A typical foliar use rate is 3.2 ounces per acre for Ascend® plant growth regulator in most crops. Use 4.5 to 6 ounces per acre for corn in furrow. Ascend® plant growth regulator may be applied multiple times in most crops. Use 1 to 4 ounces per one hundred pounds of seed as a seed treatment. See label for specific rates and timing for

#### Ingredients

Cytokinin, as kinetin\* 0.090%, Gibberellicacid\* 0.030%, Indolebutyricacid\* 0.045%, Other ingredients 99.835% Total 100%

\* Contains 0.03 ounce cytokinin, 0.015 ounce indole butyric acid and 0.01 ounce gibber ellic acid per quart. Ascend® plant growth regulator weighs 9.3 pounds per gallon.



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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Brent Melliger

Results: 2013 Ascend Growth Regulator

Yield Moisture Cost/A Starter Only (Check) 253.8 A 17.7 A Starter + Ascend 253.9 A 17.9 A \$5.09 Prob>/T/

Dekalb 6342 VT3 Xcelleron Planting date 5/13/2013 - Harvest date 10/25/13, 10" Flood, Corn on Corn Planted 12 rows with Ascend(5oz./ac) and Kugler 1515(5gal/ac) in furrow Then 12 rows without Ascend but with Kugler 5 gal./ac 1515 in furrow Soil Test OM 2%, P+39, P-116, K424, Mg229, Cal2343, Na55, pH7.8, Boron 0.7, Maganese 5, Iron 12, CEC 14.9, Copper 0.6, Nitrate Fall 12 - 62 lbs N 0-8", Sulfur 26, Zn 5 N 75#, K-Mag 50#, Mez 12-40-0-10-1 75#

SUMMARY: There was no statistical yield or moisture differences as a result of the use of Ascend in-furrow at planting. The control treatment had the best return on investment.



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2011-2013 Years: Title: Plant Population

Crop: Corn

OFRN Operator: Jerry Mulliken

Objective: To determine & document the effect on plant

population on the profitability of corn

production.

Treatments: 24.5k, 27k - (2011)

28k, 32k - (2012) 24k, 28, 32k, 36k - (2013)

Row Spacing 36"



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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2011-Corn (Golden Harvest 9416)

Planting Rate

Variable 24,500 27,000 Prob>/T/ Yield, bu/ac @ 15.5% 119 123 0.177 ns Moisture, % 16.3 16.3 0.6494 ns

Cost/ac \$78.30 \$71.63 Harvest Population 23,668 24,684

Harvested: 10/14/2011 Planted: 4/28/2011



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**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Information: 2012 **Corn Population** 

Planted: 4/22/12 Harvested: 9/4/12

Hybrid - DKC 6383 - Rainfed

Gal/A 32% UAN 28 Gal/A 10-34-0 5.7

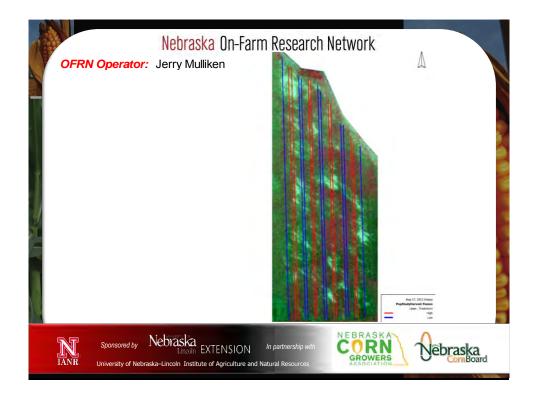
Preplant Herbicides Post Herbicides

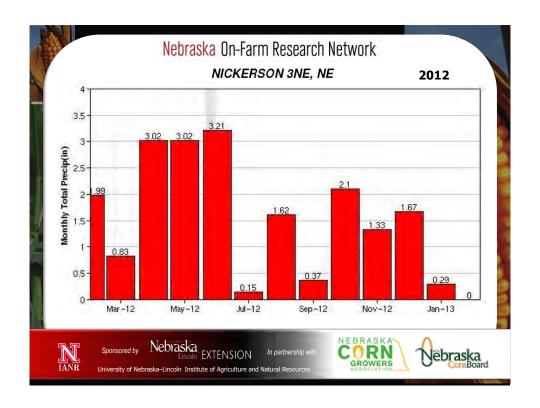
Balance Flexx 4.7oz/A Laudis 3 oz/A Aatrex 4L .3 gal/A Cornerstone .25 gallon/A 2,4-D LVE (6) .67 pt/A Ammonium sulfate 2.6 lb/A

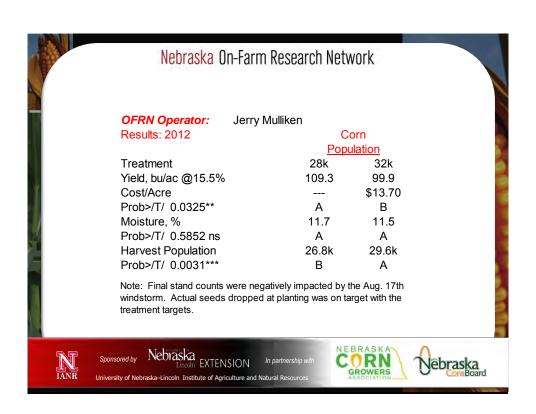
Aug. 17 image of the lodging in population plot. The lightest areas were flat on the ground. The bluish areas were standing, but had essentially zero leaf area. The red areas still had some leaf area. (see next slide)

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OFRN Operator: Jerry Mulliken Results: 2013 Corn - Population

	Yield	Moisture	HPop	Cost	
24k	134.2 A	16.9 A	21.0k D	\$80.70	
28k	132.1 A	16.7 A	24.9k C	\$94.15	
32k	130.8 A	16.8 A	28.6 k B	\$107.60	
36k	130.5 A	16.9 A	32.6k A	\$121.05	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	0.000***		

Moody Silty Clay Loam - Upland

Pioneer 1498 - Planting No-till April 28,2013 @ 2.5"

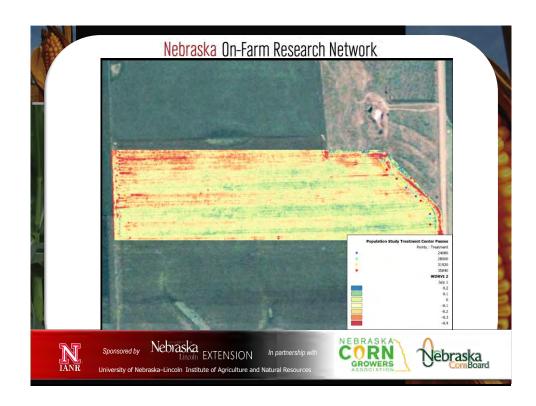
32% 22 gal/ac or 81#N/ac 28-Apr spike wheel on planter , 10-34-0 5 gal/ac 28-Apr in-furrow











**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken Corn - Population **Summary:** 

(2013) Changes in seeding rates with the low at 24k seeds/acre up to 36K seeds/acre did not result in a significant grain yield difference, but did increase the cost of purchased seed per acre.

(2012) In this study Hybrid DKC 63-83 was planted no-till into soybean stubble and received about 14.4" of rain (according to NE Rain) in 2012. The seeding rate of 28,000 seeds/acre yielded statistically more than the 32,000 seeds/acre rate and resulted in the highest economic return in 2012. The 28,000 seeds/acre rate maximized economic return in both 2011 and 2012 (assuming \$7/bu corn price).

(2011) The yield at 27k population was not statistically significant at the 95% probability level. Note that the spread in harvest population was only 1,000 plants compared to the 2,500 difference in seeding rate. However, the cost of \$6.67 for additional seed was completely offset by \$24.00 per acre more revenue (\$6.00 bu).

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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

2001-2002, 2004-2013 Years:

Title: Profitability of Incorporating Lime

Soybean/Corn Rotation, 36" row spacing Crop:

County: Dodge

OFRN Operator: Jerry Mulliken

Objective: To determine & document the effect on

incorporating lime on the profitability of crop

production. Soil pH 5.5.

No tillage, no lime vs. tillage, no lime, vs. no Treatments:

tillage, with lime, vs. tillage w/lime. Lime

incorporated April 2001.

Soil Type: Moody Silty Clay Loam Soil, No-Till

Lime -  $2.4 \text{ T/ac} \times 14.30/\text{T} = \$34.32$ Costs:

Prorate for 8 yrs = \$4.29/ac/yr Tillage - 2 x Disc @ \$7/ac = \$14.00

Fall 2011 - Lime 2 T/Ac + Fall vertical till and

2x Spring Disc







**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2001 Soybeans

	Yield, bu/ac	Moisture	Test Wt	Cost
<u>Treatment</u>	<u>@ 13%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>lbs/bu</u>	<u>\$/ac</u>
No Tillage, no lime	48	9.7	56.0	
No Tillage, lime	51	9.9	56.2	4.29
Tillage, no lime	51	10.0	56.2	1.75
Tillage, lime	54	10.1	55.9	6.04

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

0.002 \*\*\* 0.399 ns 0.746 ns Tillage (T) 0.008 \*\*\* 0.544 ns 0.935 ns Lime (L) TxL 0.778 ns 0.776 ns 0.302 ns



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# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2002 Corn (Pioneer 34M94)

	Yield, bu/ac	Moisture	Test Wt	Cost
<u>Treatment</u>	<u>@ 15.5%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>lbs/bu</u>	<u>\$/ac</u>
No Tillage, no lime	92	17.1	58.4	
No Tillage, lime	94	16.9	58.2	4.29
Tillage, no lime	83	16.7	58.6	1.75
Tillage, lime	91	16.8	58.6	6.04

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

0.009 \*\*\* 0.228 ns Tillage (T) 0.260 ns 0.022 \*\* Lime (L) 0.754 ns 0.601 ns TxL 0.190 ns 0.281 ns 0.703 ns



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**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Corn (GH 8906) Results: 2004

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Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

Tillage (T) 0.382 ns 0.334 ns Lime (L) 0.018 \*\* 0.037 \*\* TxL 0.424 ns 0.204 ns



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**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Soybeans (Latham 967) Results: 2005

	Yield, bu/ac	Moisture	Cost
<u>Treatment</u>	<u>@ 13%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>\$/ac</u>
No Tillage, no lime	45	11.0	
No Tillage, lime	47	11.4	4.29
Tillage, no lime	46	11.6	1.75
Tillage, lime	48	11.2	6.04

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

0.465 ns 0.006 \*\*\* 0.341 ns 0.907 ns Tillage (T) Lime (L) TxL 0.680 ns 0.148 ns



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CORN



**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2006 Corn (Dekalb 6716)

	Yield, bu/ac	Moisture	Cost
<u>Treatment</u>	<u>@ 15.5%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>\$/ac</u>
No Tillage, no lime	123	16.2	
No Tillage, lime	125	16.2	4.29
Tillage, no lime	123	16.3	1.75
Tillage, lime	124	16.3	6.04

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

Tillage (T) 0.951 ns 0.313 ns 0.696 ns Lime (L) 0.444 ns TxL 0.914 ns 0.859 ns

Planted: 4/28/06 Harvested: 10/18/06

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**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Soil Tests: 3/15/06

Water pH Depth, inches Treatment 0-2 2-4 4-6 6-8 No Tillage, no lime 5.9 5.3 5.6 5.4 No Tillage, lime 5.7 6.6 5.5 5.5 Tillage, no lime 5.8 5.3 5.5 5.6 Tillage, lime 6.6 5.8 5.5 5.7

Buffer pH

No Tillage, no lime 6.7 6.5 6.6 6.5 No Tillage, lime 7.0 6.6 6.5 6.7 Tillage, no lime 6.4 6.5 6.6 6.6 Tillage, lime 7.0 6.6 6.5 6.6



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**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2007 Soybeans (Latham 967) Yield, bu/ac Moisture **NDVI** Cost Treatment @ 13% <u>%</u> \$/ac No Tillage, no lime 56 9.3 0.08 No Tillage, lime 60 9.2 0.28 4.29 Tillage, no lime 57 9.3 0.17 1.75 Tillage, lime 60 9.3 0.27 6.04

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

Tillage (T) 0.524 ns 0.762 ns 0.057 \* Lime (L) 0.0007 \*\*\* 0.497 ns < 0.0001 \*\*\* 0.224 ns TxL 0.786 ns 0.028 \*\*

Planted: 4/30/07 Harvested: 9/22/07



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**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2008 Corn (Hybrid)

Yield, bu/ac Moisture Cost Treatment @ 15.5% <u>%</u> \$/ac No Tillage, no lime 129 15.1 --No Tillage, lime 133 14.8 4.29 Tillage, no lime 131 15.1 1.75 Tillage, lime 129 14.7 6.04

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

Tillage (T) 0.973 ns 0.524 ns Lime (L) 0.535 ns 0.313 ns TxL 0.021 \*\* 0.973 ns

Planted: 5/5/08 Harvested: 10/30/08



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**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2009 Soybeans (Pioneer 93M43)

Yield, bu/ac Moisture Cost Treatment @ 13% <u>%</u> \$/ac 9.9 No Tillage, no lime 63 No Tillage, lime 65 10.2 Tillage, no lime 65 10.1 65 Tillage, lime 10.8

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

Tillage (T) 0.231 ns 0.327 ns Lime (L) 0.606 ns  $0.300 \, \text{ns}$ 0.285 ns TxL 0.626 ns

Planted: 4/24/09 Harvested: 10/11/09

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**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2010 (DK 62-29) Corn Yield, bu/ac Moisture Treatment @ 15.5% %

No Tillage, no lime 15.7 159 No Tillage, lime 160 15.7 Tillage, no lime 158 15.8 Tillage, lime 160 15.6

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >F)

0.641 ns 0.915 ns Tillage (T) Lime (L) 0.558 ns 0.347 ns 0.765 ns TxL 0.311 ns

Planted: 4/18/10 Harvested: 9/27/10





**OFRN Operator:** Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2011 Soybeans (Pioneer 93M11)

Yield, bu/ac Moisture Cost Treatment @ 13% <u>%</u> \$/ac No Tillage, no lime 56 8.8 No Tillage, lime 56 8.8 Tillage, no lime 56 8.9 Tillage, lime 58 8.9

Planted: 5/3/2011 Harvested: 10/1/2011









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OFRN Operator: Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2011 Soybeans (Pioneer 93M11)

Statistical Analysis: (Prob >/T/)

Y<u>ield</u> Tillage-Lime Tillage No Tillage-No Lime

Tillage-Lime 0.8141 ns ---

No Tillage-No Lime 0.9777 ns 0.826 ns No Tillage-Lime 0.1604 ns 0.2091 ns 0.1453 ns

Tillage **Moisture** Tillage-Lime No Tillage-No Lime

Tillage-Lime 0.9306 ns No Tillage-No Lime 0.5412 ns 0.4608 ns

No Tillage-Lime 0.6794 ns 0.5965 ns 0.8319 ns



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OFRN Operator: Jerry Mulliken

Soil Tests: Depth 0-8 inches May 2011 pH samples are 0-8" depth, and only taken in the notill strips

<u>Treatment</u>	Strip ID	Lab pH	Buff pH	P205	<u>K</u>	<u>OM</u>	<u>S</u>
Lime	6529	5.6	6.5	6	270	2.79	11
	6530	5.5	6.5	10	305	3.09	12
	6531	5.9	6.5	13	283	3.09	10
No Lime	6532	5.5	6.5	8	309	3	11
	6533	5.7	6.5	4	217	3	12
	6534	5.6	6.5	8	208	-	-



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Information: 2012 Jerry Mulliken Lime &Tillage

Planted: 4/22/12

Harvested: 9/4/12

Hybrid - GoldenHarvest 8969 @ 28k Gal/A 32% UAN 28

Gal/A 10-34-0 5.7

Preplant Herbicides Post Herbicides

Balance Flexx 4.7oz/A Laudis 3 oz/A Aatrex 4L .3 gal/A Cornerstone .25 gallon/A .67 pt/A 2,4-D LVE (6) Ammonium sulfate 2.6 lb/A

Lime Cost (Lime plot only, applied fall 2011)

Lime delivered at \$19.6/ton Lime application at \$6.32/ton

Application rate was 2 tons/A, single rate

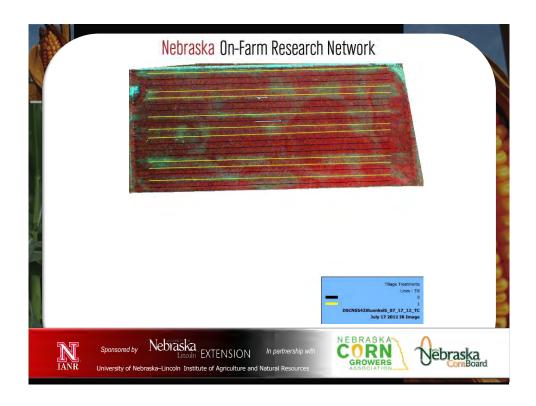
Lime was incorporated in tilled strips with Turbo till fall 2011, and double disking Spring 2012.

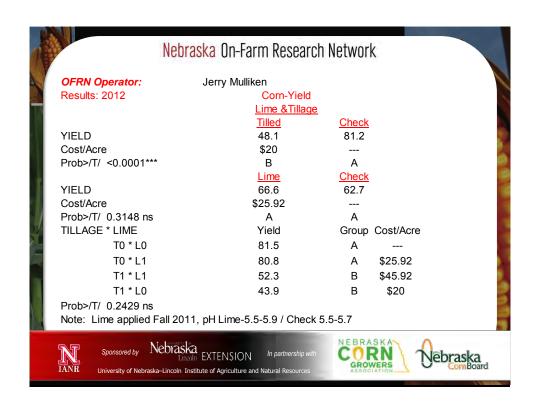


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# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network Jerry Mulliken

OFRN Operator: Results: 2012 Corn-Moisture Lime &Tillage **Tilled** Check MOISTURE 10.6 12.9 Cost/Acre \$20 Prob>/T/ 0.0002\*\*\* Α В Lime Check MOISTURE 11.7 11.8 Cost/Acre \$25.92 Prob>/T/ 0.7279 ns Α Α TILLAGE \* LIME Moisture Group Cost/Acre T0 \* L0 13.5 Α T0 \* L1 12.4 AB \$25.92 T1 \* L1 11.0 вс \$45.92 T1 \* L0 10.2 С \$20 Prob>/T/ 0.0451\*\*

Note: Lime applied fall 2011, pH Lime-5.5-5.9 / Check 5.5-5.7



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OFRN Operator: Jerry Mulliken

Results: 2013 Soybeans - Lime & Tillage Matrix

	Yield	Moisture	
Tilled- Yes	52.8 A	9.63 B	
Tilled - No	52.7 A	10.05 A	
Prob>/T/	ns	0.0777*	
Limed - Yes	54.3 A	9.7 A	
Limed - No	51.1 B	10.0 A	
Prob>/T/	0.0229**	ns	
Tilled & Limed	55.0 A	9.6 A	
Limed Only	53.6 A	9.8 A	
Check	51.7 A	10.3 A	
Tilled Only	50.6 A	9.7 A	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	

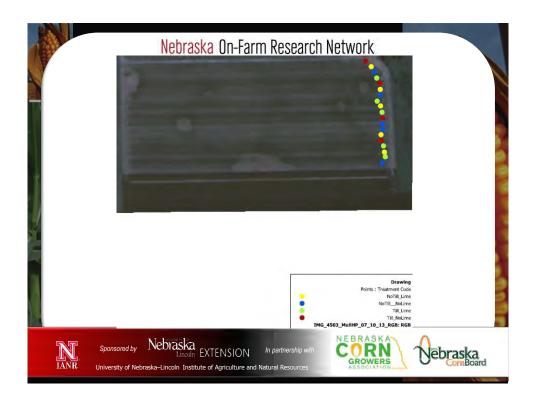
Moody Silty Clay Loam Upland, 18" row spacing, Pioneer 93M11 No-till @ 140K 5/9/2013 Harvest 10/1/13 \* Tillage performed fall 2011/spring 2013 therefore no tillage cost associated with 2013.

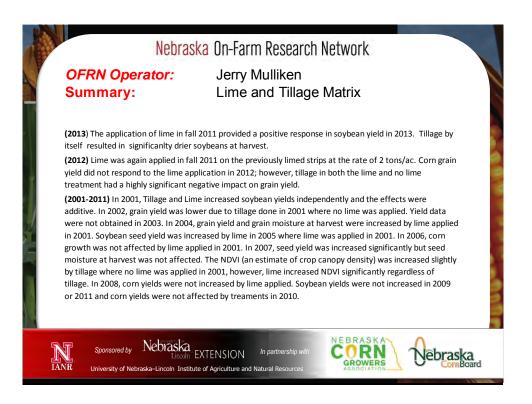


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Years: 2013

Title: Variable Rate Corn Population

Crop: Corn County: Lancaster

**OFRN Operator:** Dave Nielsen and Chris Lovitt

Objective: To determine and document the effect of variable rate

population on the profitability of corn production.

Treatments: Standard - 28k

Variable - 28k (Low 24k, Med 28k, High 32k)

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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Dave Nielsen and Chris Lovitt

Results: 2013 Corn - Population

Yield Moisture Cost/A Single Rate 158.5 B 15.6 A \$80.50 Variable Rate 160.0 A 15.5 A \$80.50 Prob>/T/ .0775\*

Upland eroded - Ak-Sar-Ben Silty Clay Loam and Yutan Silty Clay Loam No-till 20+ yrs 5/11/2013, 30" row spacing, Harvest 10/12/13, Anhydrous 150# N/ac Fall

As result of soil type and topography, yields vary throughout the field. 48 strips with 24 paired comparisions. Prescription map mainly follows soil

Rainfall below average for the year. The precision map for variable rate put equal amounts of 24,28 & 32K/ac which average out to the Std rate -28K

Planting rate prescription map was determined by using historical yield maps, which mimic soil maps in this case very closely.

SUMMARY: The variable planting rate resulted in a significant increase in grain yield without an increase in seed cost per acre.



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2013 Years:

Title: Harvest Losses with Crary Wind System

Crop: Dry Beans County: **Box Butte OFRN Operator:** Jack Nielsen

Objective: To determine & document the effect of an Crary Wind

System on the harvest losses in dry bean production.

Treatments: Check (7.5 & 15 spacing)

Air Reel (7.5 & 15 spacing)



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Diamond Hill Farms, Direct Harvest with and without Crary Wind System, 2013 Grower: Jack Nielsen Box Butte County, NE

The purpose of this On Farm Study is to compare direct harvest of  $dry\ edible\ beans\ using\ an\ appropriate\ combine\ head,\ with\ and\ without\ the\ wind$ generated with the Crary Wind System. The Study was conducted with a 2012 John Deere 635 Hydraflex Combine Head which is a 35 foot wide flex draper head. This head was mounted on a 2010 John Deere 9770 Combine. The head was equipped with a 2012 Crary Wind System. This wind system directs powerful air flow just in front of the sickle bar back toward the draper system through multiple drop pipes along the front edge of the head. This air flow is intended to help move the harvested crop back away from the sickle onto the draper feed. The treatments were applied to beans planted in 15 inch rows and drilled in 7.5 inch rows in a split field study.

The study was conducted on a center pivot irrigated field of Aries variety great northern beans divided in half. Half the field was planted with a John Deere Maximerge planter set up for 30 inch row spacing. The beans were planted into 15 inch rows using two passes with the planter. The other half of the field was planted with a Sunflower grain drill in 7.5 inch rows. The 15 inch planting was planted at a population of 120,000 seeds per acre, and the 7.5 inch drilled beans were at 140,000 seeds per acre. The 15 inch beans were planted June 1, and the 7.5 inch beans on June 2. Pre-harvest pod heights were taken on Sept. 5 to determine the percentage of pods that were in their entirety more than two inches above the soil surface. Low hanging pods increase harvest loss when using direct harvest. Percentage of pods more than two inches off the soil surface were 77.2% for beans planted in 15 inch rows, and 78.4% for beans planted in 7.5  $\,$ inch rows



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Diamond Hill Farms, Direct Harvest with and without Crary Wind System, 2013 Grower: Jack Nielsen (cont.)

Fertilization, Herbicides, Fungicides and watering were the same over all treatments. Gramoxone was used as a harvest aid desiccant and flown onto the field halves Sept. 1 and Sept 8 for the 15 inch rows and 7.5 inch rows respectively.

The study was laid out as a randomized complete block design with two treatments replicated four times. The treatments were direct harvest with and without the wind generated by the Crary Wind System. This design was applied in both the 15 inch and 7.5 inch row width field halves. Rep two was omitted in the 15 inch plot area because of a sampling error. Direct harvest of the 15 inch beans was on Sept. 6, with ft<sup>2</sup> harvest loss counts on Sept 7. The 7.5 inch drilled beans were harvested on Sept. 11, with loss counts on Sept 12. The plot area was 300 feet by 70 feet. The yield monitor on the combine was calibrated before harvest. The yield in each plot area was determined by getting 20 separate readings from the yield monitor in the 300 foot plot length as the combine traveled through the plot. Each plot consisted of a round harvesting in both directions to eliminate potential directional differences in yield or harvest loss. Harvest loss was estimated by counting 12, 1ft<sup>2</sup> sample counts from the harvested plot area, and taking these counts equally from the center and both ends of the combine pass.



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

**OFRN Operator:** Jack Nielsen

Information: 2013 Dry Beans - Crary Wind Systems

Aries, northern 7.5 inch 140,000 2-Jun-13, 1.5 inch depth Aries, northern 15 inch 120,000 1-Jun-13, 1.5 inch depth

Drilled dry beans much higher ylds but not directly comparing 7.5" vs. 15".

7.5" NS air off vs. air on (4 reps). 15" NS air off vs. on (3 reps).

Compaction a concern when drove over 30" spacings to create 15" rows?

Crop Rotation: Corn, beans, wheat



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OFRN Operator: Jack Nielsen

Results: 2013 Dry Beans - Crary Wind System

Yield 7.5" Yield 15" Loss 7.5" Loss 15" 13.2 A Check 63.1 A 36 A 6.8 A Crary Wind System 62.3 A 39.1 A 5.3 A 10.2 A Prob>/T/ ns ns ns

Harvest: 15 inch 6-Sep-13 Harvest: **7.5 inch** 11-Sep-13



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**OFRN Operator:** Jack Nielsen

**Summary:** Dry Beans - Crary Wind System

(2013) Using the Crary Wind System did not result in significant differences in either yield or harvest loss in dry beans planted in 7.5 or 15 inch rows. The beans planted in 7.5 inch rows visibly yielded more and had less harvest loss than the 15 inch planting. The beans planted in 7.5 inch rows were seeded at 140,000 seeds/ac and those in 15 inch rows at 120,000. Harvest conditions when the 7.5 inch beans were harvested were around 72°F with high humidity. Harvest conditions for the 15 inch row beans were 95 ° F with a breeze and low humidity. Extreme hot and dry conditions are more conducive to pod shatter and higher harvest loss.

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# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Title: Torque on Corn

Crop: Corn Clay County:

**OFRN Operator:** Lyle Nunnenkamp

Objective: Determine the effect of applying Torque on corn yield

and economics.

Treatments: Check

Torque



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**OFRN Operator:** Lyle Nunnenkamp Information: 2013 Corn - Torque

Field Location: 20-7-8 Clay Previous Crop: Corn

Hybrid, Planting Date and Planting Pop: Mycogen 2Y767, 5/10/13, 34,000

Fertilizer: 240 # N VR phosphate Insecticide: Capture LFR Herbicide: Verdict + Roundup

Harvest Date, Stand Count and % Stalk Rot: 10/22/2013

Tillage type/equip/row: 24 row plant 12 row harvest / conventional tillage

Irrigated/Rainfed?

Amount of Water? 8 inches

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# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Lyle Nunnenkamp Results: 2013 Corn - Torque

Yield Moisture Cost/A Check 254.8 A 18.4 A Torque 255.3 A 18.4 A \$4.75 Prob>/T/ ns ns

A= Check Treatment 3 gal 10-34-0 + 1 qt/acre micromax (2% Magnesium, 0.25% B, 2% Zn, 1.6% Fe, 0.5%Cu) **B= Torque** 1/2 pt/ac Torque + (3 gal 10-34-0 + 1 qt/ac micromax)

SUMMARY: The application of Torque in this field did not significantly improve yield or economics of corn production in 2013.



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Years: 2013

Title: Check vs. Fungicide + Torque in Furrow

Crop: Corn County: Clay

**OFRN Operator:** Lyle Nunnenkamp

Objective: Determine the effect of applying fungicide in furrow on

yield and economics.

Treatments: Check

Fungicide + Torque infurrow

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**OFRN Operator:** Lyle Nunnenkamp Information: 2013 Corn - Fungicide + Torque in-furrow

Field Location: 34-8-6 Clay

Previous Crop: com Hybrid, Planting Date and Planting Pop: DK 62-97 5/7/2013 34,000 Fertilizer: fall- 230# N phosphate Insecticide: Herbicide: Lexar + Roundup

Harvest Date, Stand Count and % Stalk Rot: 10/11/2013
Tillage type/equip/row: conventional 24 row plant 12 row harvest

Irrigated
Amount of Water: 11 inches

Population 33,000 % Stalk Rot (taken 10/4/13) 20% Treatment Check Fungicide Fungicide 32,000 33,000 25% 40% 25% 20% 20% 15% 25% 10% 5% Check Check 34.000 33,000 33,000 Fungicide Fungicide Check 33,000 32,000 33,000 33,000 33,000 Check Fungicide Fungicide Check 34,000 32,000

Average Check 33,000 17% Headline +Torque 33,000 19%







OFRN Operator: Lyle Nunnenkamp

Results: 2013 Corn - Fungicide + Torque in-furrow

Moisture Cost/A Check 17.7 A 235.2 A Fungicide + Torque 235.6 A 17.6 A \$13.40

Prob>/T/ ns ns

A= Check Treatment: 3 gal 10-34-0 + 1 qt/acre micromax (2% Magnesium, 0.25% B, 2% Zn, 1.6% Fe, 0.5%Cu) B= Fungicide + Torque in furrow 3 oz Headline SC + 1/2 pt/ac Torque + (3 gal 10-34-0 + 1 qt/ac micromax)

SUMMARY: The application of Headline + Torque in this field did not significantly improve yield or economics of corn production in 2013

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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Starter - BioAg Title:

Crop: Corn Saunders County: **OFRN Operator:** Kenny Pestal

Objective: Determine the profitability of using starter fertilizer in

the production of irrigated corn.

Check Treatments:

Starter - BioAg



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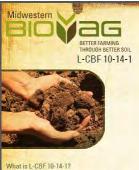
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N 32% 160# N/ac Preemerg Surface P 11-52-0 VR Ave. 133#/ac Pre-emerg K 1-3-5-9sul bio blend 150#/ac Lime Sulfur 21-0-0-24\$ 200# /ac Pre-emerg

Zinc Starter Midwester-BioAg 10/14/2001 5 gal InFurrow Root Surge 2 qt InFurrow Chelated Zinc 1 pt InFurrow Delta Gold 2 oz InFurrow



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# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Kenny Pestal Results: 2013 Corn - Starter

Yield Cost/A Moisture 229.3 A Check 16.2 A BioAg 232.9 A \$26.00 15.9 A ns

Prob>/T/

Pioneer 33D53 planted 5/16/13 @32k, 2" depth - No-tilled, Pivot Irrigated,

Harvest 12/3/13

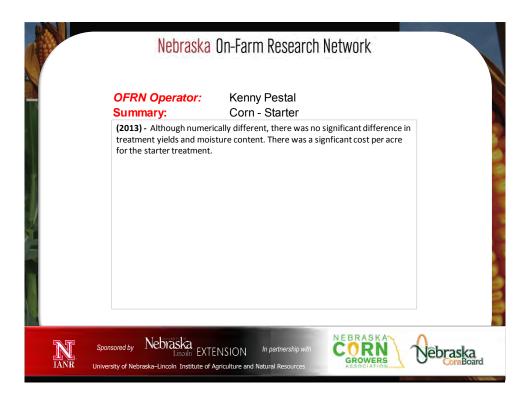
Soils: Yutan eroded - Upland, Soil Test 10-12 ppm P3 = 8.5 to 10 ppm Bray1



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OFRN Operator: Kenny Pestal Information: 2013 Corn - Starter

N 32% 140N/ac Pre-Spring Broadcast Starter Conklin 9-18-9 5 gal InFurrow X-Cyto 10 oz InFurrow Chelated Zinc 1 pt InFurrow Delta Gold 2 oz InFurrow (Insecticide)

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**OFRN Operator:** Kenny Pestal Results: 2013 Corn - Starter

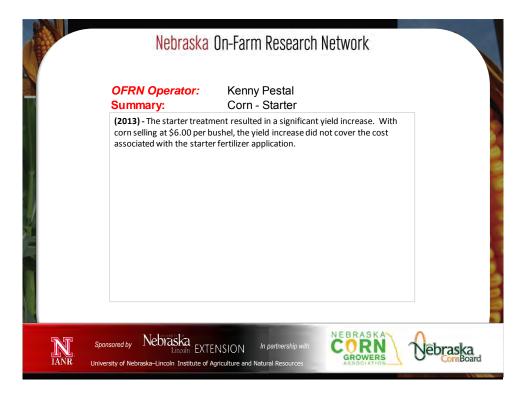
Yield Cost/A Check 154.4 B \$ 30.00 Starter-Conklin 158.2 A Prob>/T/ 0.0642\*

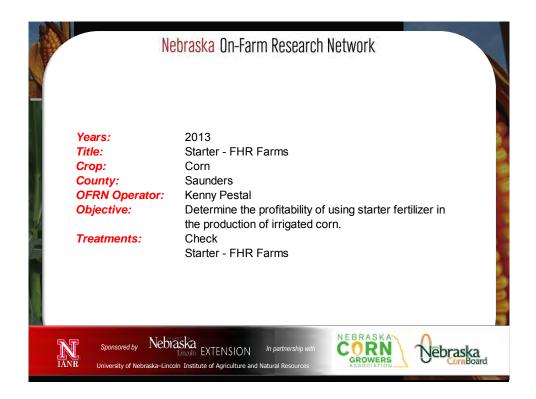
Planted 5/23/13, NoTill, Pioneer PO876HR @ 26k, Harvested 11/26/13 Nodaway Silt Loam - Bottom Ground. Soil Test: 30 ppm P3 = 25.5 Bray1 Grain moisture analysis could not be completed due to insufficient data



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OFRN Operator: Kenny Pestal Information: 2013 Corn - Starter

N 32% 160N/ac P 11-52-0 130# K 1-3-5-9S bioblend Sulfur 21-0-0-24S 200#

FHR Farms 8-19-3 5 gal InFurrow Micro-Pak 48 oz InFurrow Chelated Zinc 1 pt InFurrow



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OFRN Operator: Kenny Pestal Results: 2013 Corn - Starter

Yield Cost/A Check 249.9 A Starter - FHR Farms 250.5 A \$ 25.00 Prob>/T/

Planted 5/10/13 no-till, P1498HR @ 32k, Harvest 12/5/13

SUMMARY: (2013) The FHR starter fertilizer treatment did not significantly increase irrigated corn yields. The treatment resulted in an increase of production cost per acre. Grain moisture analysis could not be completed due to insufficient data



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CORN



Years: 2012-2013 Title: Nitrogen Rate

Crop: Corn **OFRN Operator:** Ron Sladky

Objective: Study effect of Sidedress Nitrogen application on corn

production and profitability.

Treatments: UNL Rate vs +35 & +60 (2012)

Base Rate vs +35 (2013)



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**OFRN Operator:** Ron Sladky

Information: 2012 Corn Nitrogen sidedress

Hybrid Golden Harvest 8351

Planted: 4/23/12 Harvested: 10/18/12

Tomek Silty Clay Loam

Irrigated - 13.5" Corn/Soy rotation

NOTE: "UNL" = preplant anhydrous application across entire field. Sidedress rates calculated from UNL nitrogen calculator software.

Treatments were not randomized.



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**OFRN Operator:** 

Ron Sladky

Results: 2012

Corn-Irrigated

	Nitrogen sidedress			
Treatment	UNL	+35#	+60#	
Yield, bu/ac @15.5%	198.7	200.1	200.1	
Cost/Acre		\$17.50	\$30.00	
Moisture, %	15.2	15.2	15.2	
Test Weight	58.0	58.1	58.1	



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# Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Ron Sladky Results: 2013 Nitrogen Rate

Yield Moisture Cost/A Base Rate 198.1 B 18.3 B \$55.44 Base + 35# 210.3 A 18.8 B \$72.94 Prob>/T/ 0.009\*\*\* 0.0183\*\*

Soybean Yields 2012 - 69 IRG / 30 NI Planted 5/13/13 Harvest 11/11/13. 8" irrigation. Yutan SCL;Filbert SL;Tomek SL

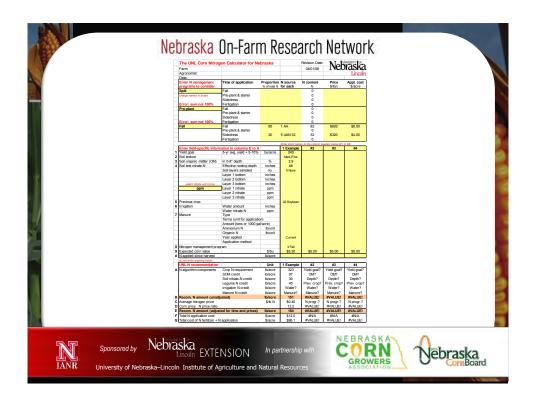
GH 9138 32K - Final 30,500 IRG GH 9138 21.5K - Final 20,000 NI NH3 154N/ac Fall 2012 - IRG, NH3 111 lb Fall 2012 - NI, 32% 35 lb V7 stage Sidedress. Noticed a few more tipped ears in the non-sidedressed strips.

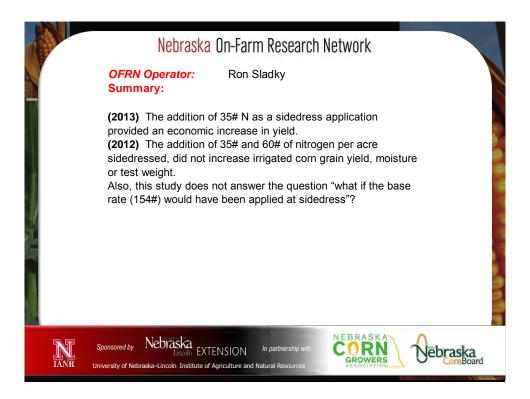


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2013 Years:

Title: Interactions of CP44 and Headline Fungicide

Crop: Soybeans Butler County: **OFRN Operator:** Kevin Slama

Objective: Document potential interactions of CP44 and Headline on

soybean yield

Treatments: Herbicide only (CHECK)

> Herbicide + CP-44 @ 6 oz./acre, followed by CP-44 @ 6 oz. Herbicide + CP-44 @ 6 oz./acre, followed by CP-44 @ 6

> > oz., followed by Headline @ 6.25 oz.

Herbicide followed by Headline @ 6.25 oz./acre

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OFRN Operator: Kevin Slama

Results: 2013 Soybeans - CP44 and Headline

Yield Cost/A Herbicide only (CHECK) 54.5 A Herbicide + CP-44 @ 6 oz./acre, followed by CP-44 @ 6 oz. 55.9 A \$21.00 Herbicide + CP-44 @ 6 oz./acre, followed by CP-44 @ 6 oz., 54.4 A \$49.00 followed by Headline @ 6.25 oz. 54.7 A \$28.00 Herbicide followed by Headline @ 6.25 oz./acre ns Prob>/T/ P value .092

Row Spacing 36" Variety: Stine 35RA02 Planted: ~June 15, 2013 Harvested: Oct. 25, 2013 July 23, 2013: Application rate = 10 gpa Crop growth stage = V-2 Herbicide applied with/without CP-44 as tank mix Cornerstone Plus @ 1 qt/acre + AMS (1.275 lbs./acre) Aug. 7, 2013 CP-44 approximately R2 Aug. 13, 2013: Headline SC @ 6.25 oz./acre approximately R2. Cost includes application cost.



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CORN



Years: 2012-2013 Title: Population Crop: Corn

**OFRN Operator:** Carl and Dave Sousek

Objective: Identify the most profitable corn plant population for a

specific management system.

Treatments: Population 24k, 28k, 32k, & 36k (2012)

Population 24k, 28k & 32k (2013)

30" row spacing

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**OFRN Operator:** Carl & Dave Sousek Information: 2012 Corn

Population 24k, 28k, 32k & 36k

Hybrid Hoegmeyer 8691- Rainfed

Planted: 4/27/12 Harvested: 9/14/12

Pohocco Silty Clay Loam

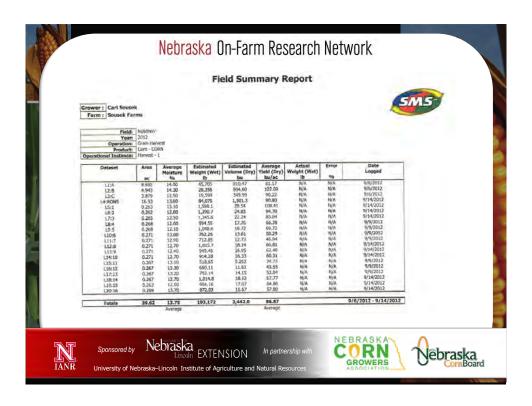
Note: Harvest populations did not match up well as intended with targeted treament populations. This is partially explained by the interaction of the seed size/uniformity, planter unit accuracy and planting speed.

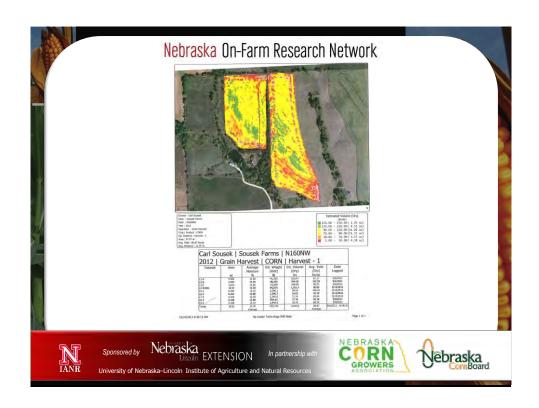


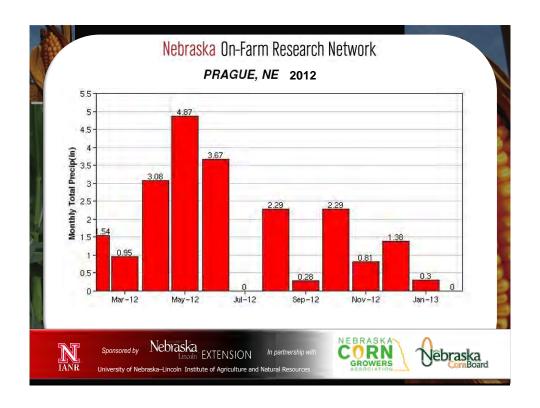
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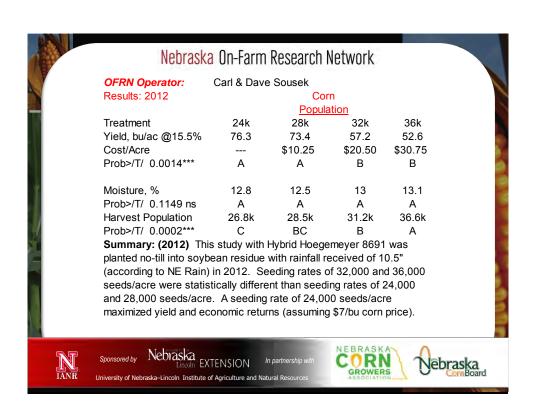
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OFRN Operator: Carl and Dave Sousek Results: 2013 Corn - Population

	Yield	Moisture	Нрор	Cost/A	
24k	159.8 A	15.4 A	23.4k C	\$86.88	
28k	158.0 A	15.4 A	26.9k B	\$101.36	
32k	157.5 A	15.4 A	31.2k A	\$115.84	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	0.000***		

Hoegemeyer 8359;113 d;LL,RR, RW, CB, Planted 5/16/13 @ 2" - No-Till, Corn/Corn

Upland - Pohocco Silty Clay Loam and Yutan, eroded AK-Sar- Ben

Anhydrous 140# Fall applied 11-52-0 +S+Zn, Starter 9.18.9 4 gal/ac Corvus 2,4-D Roundup









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**OFRN Operator:** Carl and Dave Sousek **Summary:** Corn - Population

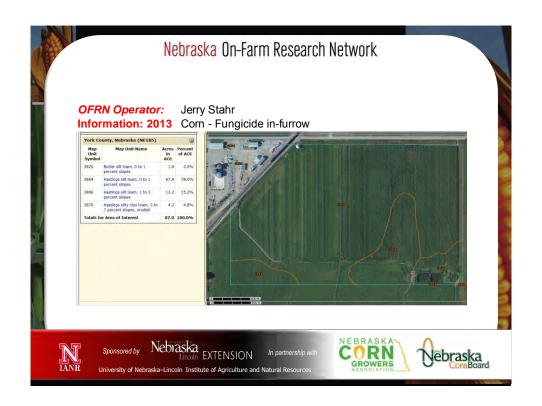
(2013) Rainfed corn grain yields were not significantly improved with an increase of seeding rates at 24, 28 and 32K seeds per acre. However, the costs per acre did increase.

(2012) This study with Hybrid Hoegemeyer 8691 was planted no-till into soybean residue with rainfall received of 10.5" (according to NE Rain) in 2012. Seeding rates of 32,000 and 36,000 seeds/acre were statistically different than seeding rates of 24,000 and 28,000 seeds/acre. A seeding rate of 24,000 seeds/acre maximized yield and economic returns (assuming \$7/bu corn price).









OFRN Operator: Jerry Stahr

Results: 2013 Corn - Fungicide in-furrow

Moisture Cost/A Check 245.8 A 16.1 A Headline (4oz) 240.2 B 16.2 A \$13.33 Prob>/T/ 0.0513\*

Ridgetill 30" row spacing, planted 4/27/13 - 114 day maturity, @ 32k, Hastings Silt Loam 0-1% slope \*The supplemental Label for corn and soybeans indicates upto 10.4 oz/acre maximum rate for 30" rows! EPA Reg. NO. 7969-186

SUMMARY: (2013) There was a significant decrease in yield for the Headline fungicide in-furrow treatment.

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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2011-2013

Title: Cover Crop Profitability

Crop: Corn/Soybeans

County: Lancaster

**OFRN Operator:** Jim and Mike Stewart

Objective: Determine the effectiveness of cover

crops in improving yield and

profitability in a corn and soybean

rotation.

Treatments: Check vs. Rye vs CoverCrop Mix



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**OFRN Operator:** Jim and Mike Stewart

Results: 2011

(Fontanelle 9789)

Variable No Cover **Smart Mix** Rye Yield, bu/ac 62 59 61 Moisture, % 10.2 9.6 9.7 \$27.81 Cost/ac \$19.30

Yield Prob >/T/ No Cover Rye Rye 0.1545 ns Smart Mix 0.5591 ns 0.3637 ns Moisture Prob >/T/ No Cover Rye Rye 0.1585 ns Smart Mix 0.7208 ns 0.0903\*

Cover Planted: 10/16/10 Planted: 5/3/2011 Harvested: 10/16/11

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**OFRN Operator:** Jim and Mike Stewart

Information: 2012

Winter Mix Formulation 54.5 lbs Winter Wheat 30 lbs Frostmaster Peas 10 lbs Hairy Vetch 5 lbs Common Vetch 3.75 lbs Morton Lentil 3.75 lbs D.E. Rape 1 lbs Winifred Pea 1 lbs



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**OFRN Operator:** 

Jim and Mike Stewart

Results: 2012

Cover Crop Variable No Cover WinterMix Rye Yield, bu/ac 92.7 86.0 90.8 Prob>/T/ 0.4356 ns Α Α Α Moisture, % (ns) 11.7 11.7 11.6 58.3 58.2 TW (ns) 58.6 Harvest Population 29.3k 26.5k 29.6k Prob>/T/ 0.0967\* Α Α Cost/ac \$22 \$46

Hybrid Fontanelle H907/GT

Wymore Silty Clay Loam

Corn

Cover Planted: 10/25/11

Planted: 4/24/12

Harvested: 9/10/12

NOTE: March 22 12,000 gal hog manure injected, April 20 field cultivated and applied nitrogen. Cost per acre does not include drilling costs of approximately

\$17/ac.



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#### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

OFRN Operator: Jim and Mike Stewart Information: 2013

Wymore Silty Clay Loam - Upland Corn Soybean Rotation - Prior Crop Corn Wymore Silty Clay Loam Upland Winter MWinter Pea = 10 #/ac# Hairy Vetch= 5#/ac Common Vetch = 4#/ac

Lentis = 4# Winter wheat= 30#/ac Rape seed = 1# /ac

Winfred hybrid= 1/ac Rye = 1bu/ac

Planting soybeans no-till 5/1/2013 cover crops no-till 9-19-12 \$70/ac rye no-till "\$14.5/AC

Preplant/burndown 2,4-D - 6# A.I. 5.4oz 4/13/2013 Roundup Power Max\*\*\* 36 oz 4/13/2013 Authority XL 2.8 oz 4/13/2013 Authority Elite 9.6 oz 13-Apr Adjuvants 4/13/2013 Post-soybean Roundup Power Max 40oz 7/3/2013 Cadet 0.9 oz 3-Jul Adjuvants \*\*\* The check treatment used less RU at 24 oz per acre vs. the 36oz rate. Cost per acre does not include drilling costs of approximately \$17/ac.







OFRN Operator: Mike and Jim Stewart

Results: 2013 Cover Crop

Soybean Yield

_	bu/ac	Moisture	TW	HPop	
Check	56.3 A	11.9 A	57.6 A	103.8k A	
Rye	54.0 A	11.9 A	58.0 A	95.6k A	
WinterMax	56.3 A	11.7 A	58.0 A	101.4k A	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	ns	ns	









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**OFRN Operator:** Mike and Jim Stewart

Cover Crop **Summary:** 

After three years of research in the same field, cover crops did not provide an economic advantage to no cover crop in the production of corn and soybeans. (2013) The two cover crop treatments did not result in an increase in grain yield as compared to no cover crop.

(2012) The two cover crop treatments did not result in an increase in grain yield as compared to no cover crop.

(2011) Yield difference was not statistically significant among the three treatments. No portion of cost of the cover crop was recouped by either cover crop treatment, relative to the check treatment. Note: Cover crop was killed off later than preferred.



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Years: 2013

Title: Three Rates of Optimize Under Low Fertility

Crop: Soybeans Butler County: **OFRN Operator:** Russ Tooker

Objective: Determine the effect, if any, of increasing rates of Optimize

on soybean yield under low fertility

Treatments: Check

> Optimize 1x Optimize 2x Optimize 3x

Planting date - June 13, Harvest date - Oct. 24, 25

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OFRN Operator: Russ Tooker

Results: 2013 Soybean - Optimize

	Yield	Protein	Oil	Seed Size	Cost/A
Check	55.4 A	33.54 A	20.3 A	18.0 A	
Optimize 1x	55.4 A	33.25 AB	20.5 A	18.1 A	\$4.00
Optimize 2x	55.2 A	33.21 AB	20.5 A	18.3 A	\$8.00
Optimize 3x	55.2 A	33.05 B	20.6 A	18.1 A	\$12.00
Prob>/T/	ns	0.04*	ns	ns	
P Value	0.97	0.04	0.16	0.81	

Means followed by the same letter are not statistically different at the P<0.05 level (Tukeys HSD test, JMP 10.0.0)

SUMMARY: Usage of Optimize did not result in increased yields in rain-fed soybeans following soybeans as previous crop. Increasing Optimize rate did result in less protein, but was offset by increased oil levels. Seed sizes, although not statistically different, were noted to be slightly increased by usage of Optimize.



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Years: 2013

Title: Foliar Sugar on Corn

Crop: Corn County:

**OFRN Operator:** Rod and Dennis Valentine

Objective: Determine effect of foliar sugar on corn yield and

economics.

Check Treatments:

Foliar sugar applied at V7

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**OFRN Operator:** Dennis Valentine Information: 2013 Corn - Foliar Sugar

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Phospholipid Fatty Acid

Rep	Treatment	Total C	%N	(PLFA) Test	<b>Diversity Index</b>
Rep1	Check	41.71	2.51	1544.15	1.13
	Sugar	41.31	2.51	2295.44	0.96
Rep 2	Sugar	42.45	2.58	1439.51	1.17
	Check	41.98	2.30	2057.19	1.60
Rep 3	Check	42.34	2.70	1954.87	1.18
	Sugar	42.54	2.40	1786.42	1.19
Rep 4	Sugar	41.17	2.51	1435.45	1.17
	Check	41.92	2.50	1191.18	1.45
Rep 5	Check	42.35	2.70	950.20	1.24
	Sugar	41.89	2.50	1629.33	1.42
Rep 6	Sugar	41.81	2.42	1612.62	1.20
	Check	41.78	2.60	996.34	1.05
	Check AVG	42.0133	2.5517	1448.9883	1.2738
	Sugar AVG	41.8617	2.4867	1699.7950	1.1845



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OFRN Operator: Dennis Valentine Results: 2013 Corn - Foliar Sugar

Yield TW Moisture StalkRot Cost/A Check 222.7 A 60.6 A 16.1 A 19.2 A Starter w/ Sugar 214.2 B 60.5 A 16.0 A 15.8 A \$6.00 0.0099\*\*\* Prob>/T/ ns ns ns

#### **SUMMARY 2013:**

The addition of sugar resulted in a significant yield reduction and an increase in the input









### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

2013 Years:

Title: Moisture at harvest and yield

Crop: Corn Lincoln County: **OFRN Operator:** Rex Walz

To determine and document the effect of early harvest on Objective:

grain yield.

"Wet moisture" harvest Treatments:

"Normal moisture" harvest Harvested: 10-19-13



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OFRN Operator: Rex Walz

Results: 2013 Corn - Harvest Moisture and Yield

Yield Moisture Cost/A Wet \$30.00 176.42 A 36.1 A 21.0 B \$30.00 Dry 181.82 A Prob>/T/ ns(0.1162) 0.0000\*\*\*

Used a weigh wagon to record weight and took grain samples to a commercial grain moisture tester. No physical shrink was used to calculate yield just moisture loss.

SUMMARY: Grain yield results were not significantly different. Harvest loss was not determined. Need one or more years of data.



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### Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Title: Evaluate planting wheel compaction

Crop: Corn Saunders County: **OFRN Operator: Brad Williams** 

Objective: Determine if the pinch rows from planter and tractor

impact corn yield

Treatments: Outside (Non-compacted)

Inside (Compacted)



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**OFRN Operator:** Brad Williams **Information: 2013** Compaction

 $\textbf{Center wheels of planter} - \textbf{Center 12} \ rows \ of a \ 24 \ row \ planter \ that \ has the \ tractor \ tires \ and \ the \ main \ planter \ frame \ weight \ in \ them.$ 

 $\textbf{Outside of planter} - \ \mathsf{Outside\,12} \ \mathsf{rows\,that\,only\,have\,the\,planter\,wing\,wheels\,in\,them}.$ 

30" row spacing, Central fill planter, 1200 gallon saddle tanks on tractor.



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**OFRN Operator:** Brad Williams **Results: 2013** Compaction

Rainfed Irrigated Yield Moisture Yield Moisture Outside 218.0 A 16.29 A 263.6 A 18.9 A Center 216.7 A 15.95 B 262.3 A 18.6 A Prob>/T/ 0.0385\*\* ns ns

NoTill - Planted 5/12/13, DKC 63-33 RIB , Planting rate 40k Irigated /30k Dryland, Harvest 10/27/13



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**OFRN Operator: Brad Williams Summary:** Compaction

(2013) Summary Statement – 2013 There was no significant yield difference in grain yield from the compacted and noncompacted treatment rows in either irrigated or rainfed corn. The grain however for the compacted rows in the rainfed corn was significantly drier.

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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

Years: 2013

Title: Nitrogen rates in rainfed corn production.

Crop: Corn County: Saunders **OFRN Operator: Brad Williams** 

Objective: Determine the most cost effective rate of nitrogen in

dryland corn production

Treatments: 160 lbs Nitrogen

200 lbs Nitrogen

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**OFRN Operator:** Brad Williams **Results: 2013** Corn - Nitrogen

Stearns Johnys Yield Moisture Moisture Cost/A 160 lbs N 198.1 A 16.14 B 212.4 B 15.0 A \$ 56.00 200 lbs N 196.9 A 215.0 A 15.2 A \$ 70.00 16.44 A Prob>/T/ 0.0056\*\*\* 0.0504\*

N NH3 160 vs 200lb 11/6-11/7/12 Stearns Pioneer 1498HR 30,000K 4/28/2013 Johnys GH 9071 30,000K 5/12/2013



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OFRN Operator: Brad Williams
Summary: Corn - Nitrogen

(2013) Summary Statement – 2013 On Johny's field there was no significant yield advantage to adding an extra 40# of nitrogen, however, the grain was significantly drier for the 160# rate. On the Stearn's field, the extra 40# of nitrogen resulted in a significant increase in grain yield. The economic advantage of the 40# additional nitrogen is dependent on market price for grain.



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Years: 2013

Title: **Row Spacing** 

Crop: Corn County: Saunders **OFRN Operator: Brad Williams** 

Objective: To determine and document the effect of row spacing on

the profitability of corn production.

Treatments: 30" rows

15" rows



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**OFRN Operator:** Brad Williams

Results: 2013 Corn - row spacing

Yield Moisture Cost/A 30" rows 275.1 A 18.87 A

15" rows 274.4 A 18.86 A Prob>/T/ ns ns

Planted notill 5/12/13, DKC 63-33 RIB, 40k, Harvest 10/27/13, Irrigated

Harvest population:

30" - 36,166

15" - 34,500\* (wheel traffic and faster planter speed for 15" rows)

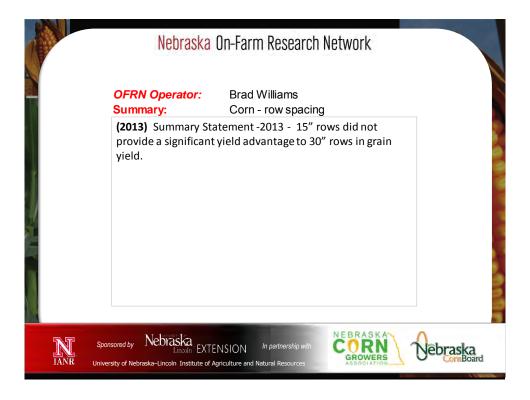
Soil Type: Tomek/Yutan Todd Valley

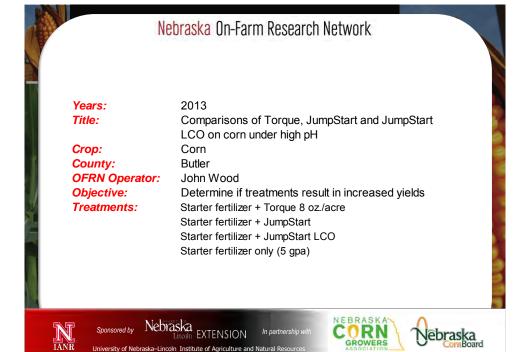
Approximately 5% green snap from early August storm



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**OFRN Operator:** John Wood

Results: 2013 Corn - At Plant Treatments

	Yield after Corn	Yield after Soybeans	Cost/A
Starter fertilizer + Torque 8 oz./acre	209.2 A	223.8 A	\$5.50
Starter fertilizer + JumpStart	203.4 A	232.7 A	\$16.40
Starter fertilizer + JumpStart LCO	206.2 A	228.8 A	\$17.95
Starter fertilizer only (5 gpa)	201.2 A	236.1 A	
Prob>/T/	ns	ns	
P value	0.95	0.15	

Variety: Mycogen 2A782 (Cruiser Maxx), Planted: May 14, 2013 Harvested:

October, 2013

**SUMMARY:** Although numerically different, the yields of the four treatments were not statistically significant suggesting no consistent response within replication per treatment



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## Nebraska On-Farm Research Network

2013 Years:

Title: Corn Hybrids

Crop: Corn County: Red Willow

**OFRN Operator:** Roger and Tracy Zink

Compare "DroughtGuard" vs "AquaMax" corn hybrids Objective:

Treatments: DKC 63-55RIB YT2R - "DroughtGard"

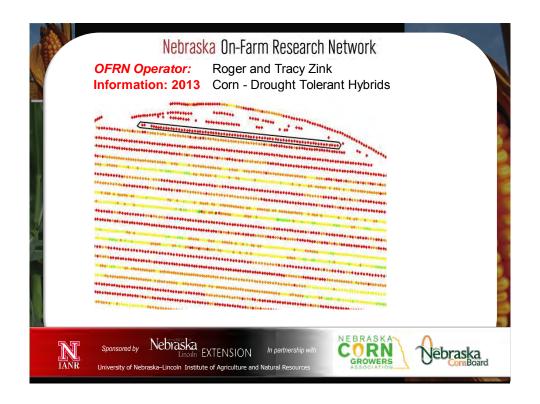
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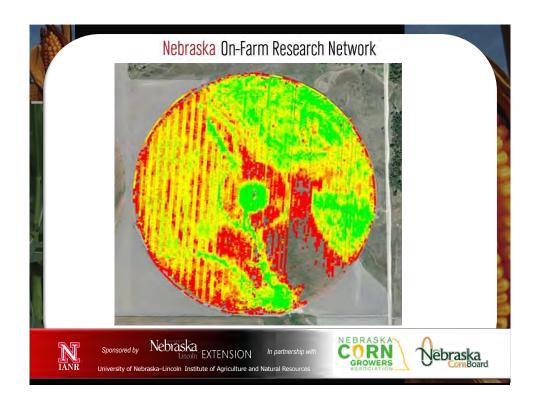


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**OFRN Operator:** Roger and Tracy Zink

Results: 2013 Corn - Drought Tolerant Hybrid

	Yield	Moisture	Cost/A	
DKC 63-55RIB YT2R -	·			
"DroughtGard"	79 A	13.78B	\$106	
P-1498AM AM/LL/RR2/AQ -				
"AquaMax"	44 B	18.35 A	\$82	
Prob>/T/	0.000***	0.000***		

Holdrege and Keith silt loams \*Uly and Coly silk loam on slopes. Crop Rotation corn/corn/soy - Prior Crop Corn IRRIGATION Total: 8.6 RAINFALL Total: 9.11 May-1.29 Jun-2.11 Jul-0.76 Aug-2.03 Sep-2.35 Oct-0.57 (DroughtGuard vs. AquaMax on 300 gal/min (LOW Capacity) well 29 reps)-Great plant health for AquaMax. Major significance in yield increase for DroughtGuard. Irrigation: Center pvt; drop nozzles (not iWob)

SUMMARY: The DroughtGard hybrid outperformed the AquaMax hybrid on a low capacity well with minimal subsoil moisture. Need additional years of data.



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