

Late K response - Barley Western Australia

LOV16

Trial Design





- LOCATION: Northern WA.
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- site at Northampton

Seeding Date	12 th May2016
Site	Northhampton WA
Variety	LaTrobe@70 kg/ha
Protocol	Knockdown: Trifluralin 2L/ha + Boxer Gold 2.5L + Ultramax 2L/ha + Cobalt 1 L/ha. Post Em: Velocity 1 L/ha + Liberate 0.75%
GSP	Urea 80 kg/ha IBS + Mes10 80kg/ha + UAN 60 L/ha @ Tillering (72N - 14P - 0K - 8S)

SOIL and PLANT TEST:



SOIL TEST:

Paddock Name	Crop Type	Plant Part	Tot N	Р	К	S	Mg	Cu	Zn	Mn	NO3 N
WMG - untreated	Barley	Whole Tops -late tiller	2.20	0.26	2.48	0.15	0.16	3.40	22.07	63.72	54.38

PLANT TEST:

Depth (cm)	Colour	pH (CaCl)	EC	ос	N (NO3)	N (NH4)	P (Colwell)	K (Colwell)	S (KCI)
0-10	YWGR	5.5	0.09	0.88	35	3	20	30	4.8
10-30	YWBR	4.8	0.02	0.3	7	0	12	<15	3.5



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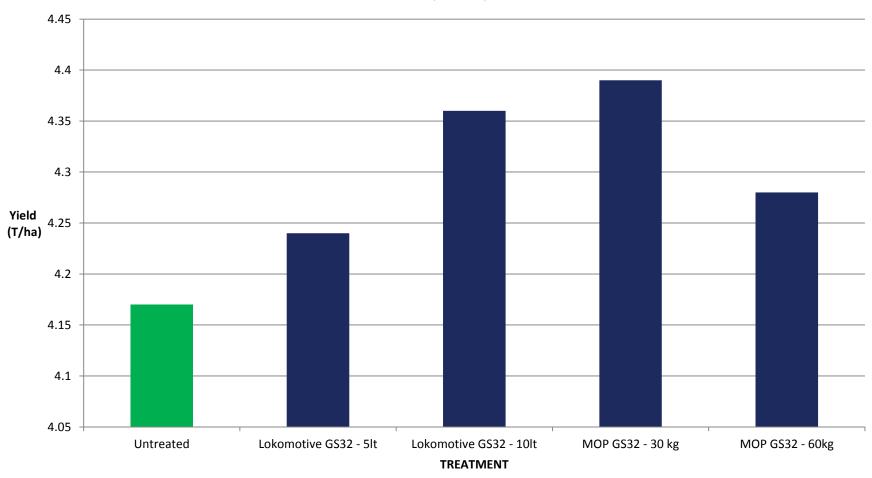
Treatment	Applied Rate /ha	Grain Yield t/ha	% of UTC
Untreated		4.17 b	
Lokomotive GS32	5 lt	4.24 ab	102
Lokomotive GS32	10 lt	4.36 ab	105
MOP GS32	30 kg	4.39 a	105
MOP GS32	60 kg	4.28 ab	103
	LSD (P=0.05)	0.203	
	CV	2.67	

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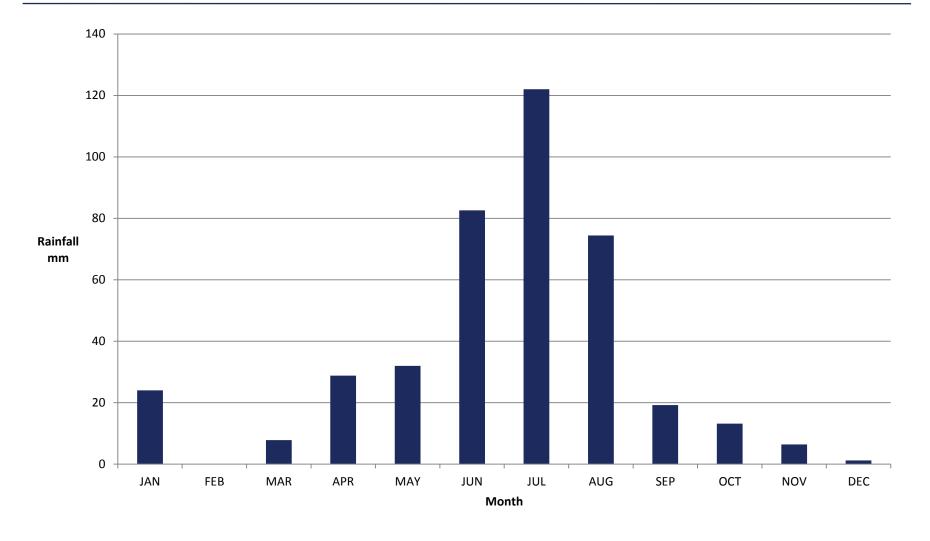
Yield (T/ha)



Northampton WA Rainfall 2016 total – 411.16mm







Conclusion



- The objective was to compare Lokomotive, a liquid potassium product, to the standard granular muriate of potash (MOP).
- Application timing was at GS 32, at the time of application there were typical potassium deficiency symptoms on the lower leaves.
- There was a small yield response (1.7% to 5.3%) from both Lokomotive and MOP however this was not significantly different to the untreated control.
- The small response to potassium in 2016 may be attributed to the wet spring conditions that would have made potassium in the soil more available to the crop.