

Sidedress Nitrogen Source Comparison in Corn (14-702)

Experiment Info:

: Objective:

To evaluate the yield response of different nitrogen sources and additives applied sidedress on corn.

5-25-2014 Planted: Harvest: 10/30/2014 175 bu/A Yield Goal: Target Fert .: 193-90-33 DKC 49-29 RIB Variety: 32,000 Population: Row Width: 30' Prev. Crop: Soybeans Plot Size: 15 x 265 Replications: 4 6/23/2014 Sidedress:

Soil Test Values (ppm):	
pH:	6.1
CEC:	14.5
%OM:	2.5
Bray P1:	10
Bicarb P:	-
K:	131
S:	11
%K:	2.3
%Mg:	14.4
%Ca:	69.1
%H:	13.9
Zn:	1.4
Mn:	10
B:	0.6

The nitrogen market has many options for liquid fertilizer sources for sidedressing corn. This experiment looks at Agro-Culture Liquid Fertilizers High NRG-N in comparison to 28% UAN, sulfur additives: eNhance, accesS and ammonium thiosulfate (ATS) and a competitors additive Instinct. Each product was applied at recommended rates to provide 193 lbs of nitrogen per acre to meet the yield goal of 175 bu/A corn. The three standard programs included 45 gal/A High NRG-N (70% rate), 51 gal/A 28% + eNhance (80% rate) and 64 gal/A 28% UAN. Sulfur additives accesS and ATS were added to the full rate of 28% UAN to provide 20 pounds of sulfur per acre. Additionally a 100% rate of 28% + eNhance was applied at the same rate as 28% UAN. All treatments received the same planter application of Pro-Germinator, Sure-K and Micro 500. Yields appear on the chart below.



LSD(0.2) 7.9, CV: 6.1%

Conclusions:

- The three standard programs, High NRG-N, 28% + eNhance and 28% UAN, applied at recommended rates yielded above the 175 bu/A yield goal, all reaching around 184 bu/A. Although High NRG-N and 28% + eNhance applied fewer gallons per acre.
- The addition of eNhance at 2 gallons per ton of 28% UAN increased corn yield by nearly 10 bu/A.
- · Competitors products ATS and Instinct increased corn yield over 28% UAN alone, adding over 6 bu/A more.
- · Highest yield was achieved with the addition of 4 gal/A of accesS to 64 gal 28% UAN.
- All additives that included sulfur, significantly increased corn yield over the standard 28% UAN rate alone.

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