

Soybean Single Inoculant Trial

Trial ID: 2023-S1IN02 - R.M. of De Salaberry

Objective: Quantify the agronomic impacts of seed-applied inoculant (single inoculation) vs. no inoculant in soybean fields.

Summary: Nodulation was similar between treatments and agronomically sufficient. There was no significant yield difference between soybeans with and without a single inoculant. Due to the lack of yield response, there was a decrease in profit/ac in the inoculated area of the trial, equivalent to the cost of the seed-applied inoculant.

Trial Information

Treatment	1x Cell-Tech (liquid)	
Last Soybean Crop	2021	
Soybean History	5+ year history	
Soil Texture	Clay	
Previous Crop	Wheat	
Tillage	Conventional	
Seeding Date	May 14	
Variety	PS 0027 RR	
Seeding Rate	195 000 seeds/ac	
Row Spacing	10"	
Plant Stand @ V2	132 000 plants/ac	
Harvest Date	September 20	

Precipitation (mm)

	May	June	July	Aug	Total
Rainfall	19.5	45.9	59	32.5	157
Normal	52.6	94.7	70	51.7	269
% Norm	37%	48%	85%	63%	58%

Nodulation +

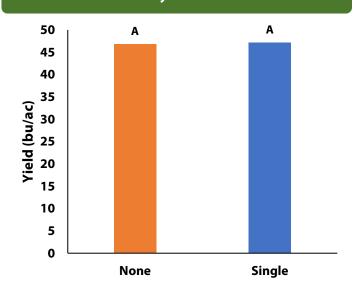
	Average nodulation rating @ R2
Single	3.4 A
None	3.3 A

+ 0 = no nodules, 1 = Poor (<5/plant), 2 = Fair (<10/plant), 3 = Good (<20/plant), 4 = Excellent (>20/plant). Averages followed by different letters are significantly different at α =0.05

NDVI Field Image August 10



Yield by Treatment





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Overall	Yield	& Econo	omics

	Mean (bu/ac)	Cost ⁺	Change in Profit ⁺⁺
Single Inoculant	47.2	\$3/ac	-\$3/ac
Untreated	46.8		
Yield Difference	0.4		
P-Value	0.627		
CV	2.4%		
Significance	No	Economic	No

[†] Based on an estimated cost for on-seed inoculant

⁺⁺ Because yields were not significantly different, there was no increased income to offset the cost of the single inoculant