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# *With the impulse of nature*

*...for intelligent  
agriculture*

**“If you want to find the secrets of the universe, think in terms of energy, frequency and vibration ...”**

Nikola Tesla

## *Dear Readers,*

*Nature demands that we treat her with care. We have become increasingly aware that overuse and aggressive treatments harm soils, plants and animals and disrupt their systems.*

The magazine “Geo Kompakt”, issue 5 – 12/05, Geheimnis Natur (The secrets of nature), tells us wondrous things about how plants communicate with each other, but also with insects, birds and bats. German television recently reported on research that has been carried out on the communication between the roots of trees in a forest.

18 years ago, PENERGETIC International AG started their research and development work on a process for transferring biological information onto carrier materials. What seemed slightly esoteric at the time has now been accepted into the mainstream. The principles of biodynamic agriculture are, not least, also based on the targeted use of relevant information on the crops’ reproduction (yield development) and self-protection (health). The results from various research institutions at faculties of biological science underpin the positive impact of using gentle, bioactive materials. Hundreds of documented trials are testament of the positive and gentle cultivation of soil, of qualitative and quantitative crop improvement in Europe, South America, Canada and Southeast Asia.

Large farms benefit from a reduced use of chemical fertilizers. In different areas of this world, overfertilized fields are recovering. Wheat, potatoes, coffee plants, grape vines respond to the information that has been transferred through the PENERGETIC system with healthy growth and high yields.

PENERGETIC International AG is a family-run company based in Romanshorn, Switzerland. The experience of three generations of the family is reflected in the continuous development of the products. Many long-standing partners distribute PENERGETIC products for animals, plants, soil, liquid manure, compost and water locally and advise customers in how to optimize their efficiency. PENERGETIC has accepted the challenge to solve a variety of agricultural issues and is developing a broad range of biologically active and gentle materials. This documentation of detailed results in the most diverse areas and impressive photographic material on the achieved results reflects PENERGETIC International AG’s considerable contribution to improving the situation of worldwide food production.

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# Penergetic International



*Agriculture is one of the oldest economic sectors and most important occupations of mankind. Around 5.6 billion hectares or 11% of the Earth's surface are used for agricultural purposes. More than 40% of all employees worldwide work in this sector.*

These may be enormous figures, but if we look at the global population of around 8 billion people, whose food comes from those 11% of surface area used for agricultural purposes, then we might get an idea of how important food production is. Unfortunately, this pressure to produce enough food, has an adverse effect on food production standards. The focus has been increasingly on quantity rather than quality. This has long-lasting effects on the soil, plants, animals and, consequently, on us humans. In addition, approximately 6 million hectares of agricultural land are lost to erosion, salinization, desertification or building development. Change is urgently needed and penergetic products can make an important contribution that will also yield commercial benefits.

Penergetic International AG is leading the change. Its vision is to think of future generations today and to drive the smart agricultural revolution. This is already being implemented in many countries! penergetic products were developed to promote a sustainable, high-

performing and efficient agriculture. In this way, the company wants to achieve its goal of saving resources and optimally utilizing existing potentials, and thus achieve the sustainable, ecologically sound, economically viable and independent agriculture of the future.

#### **The penergetic product range comprises**

- penergetic b – for soil
- penergetic p – for plants
- penergetic t – for animals
- penergetic g – for liquid manure
- penergetic k – for compost and livestock bedding
- AquaKat – for water vitalization

This product range tackles the root causes rather than just relieving the symptoms. At the same time, the individual products form one large system in which they support each other.

# Cover Crops

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20 — 21	Common Vetch ( <i>Vicia sativa</i> )
20 — 21	Hairy Vetch ( <i>Vicia villosa</i> )
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**Cover crop has been used in soil conservation since ancient times. During the collaboration with Dr. Ademir Calegari, Penergetic noted that cover crop and no-till methods have additional positive effects when penergetic products are used. For this reason, we want to introduce the different areas of applications for cover crops and contribute further to developing smart agricultural methods.**

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## ***A milestone in agriculture***

**All the information comprised can be applied to the plots in the rural areas, after an appropriate diagnosis of the local conditions for the implementation of cover crops species plants that best fit to the specifically cropping / farming systems according to the need of soil and commercial crops.**

The introduction of these species, isolated or in cocktails (mix), are fundamental tools for the improvement of the crop rotation system and for the development of a no till system with quality. The adequate use of these species certainly

will contribute to the soil protection, improvement of physical, chemical and biological attributes, as well as promoting greater biodiversity in the production systems, contributing to a smarter and sustainable agriculture.

# Project Living Soil

## What is the Project Living Soil (PLS)?

**A tool that works par excellence for the bioactivation of the productive systems (soil and plant) through the cover crops.**

The “Living Soil Project” is an initiative of the WebBio Academy in Brazil, which makes it possible to identify select and at field level, alternatives, strategies and management practices of sustainable agricultural productions that promote a better balance between the soil-water-plant relationship. This should lead to greater productivity and profitability with a minimal environmental impact, providing a better and more intelligent use of the natural resources and greater rationality in the use of the necessary inputs to the means of agricultural production.



*“The project will last three years in the same area, covering the main Brazilian productive states.”*

## Importance of the project

### Redeem of soil health

- To provide the soil with a high productive potential for crops through balance in their chemical, physical and biological attributes.

### Integrating tools that contribute to a better management of the soil-plant-water system and harmonize the various components of the production system

- Massive adoption of different cover crops (isolated or cocktails) according to needs identified by the diagnosis of each area
- Integrated crop-livestock-forestry Systems (CLFS)
- Technologies in bioactivation
- Biological assets

### Diversification, combination and rotation of crops

- Customized evaluation for each property
- Analysis of plant tissue for determination of nutrient contents

### Return to the true no till system on straw with quality

- Soil protection and erosion risk reduction
- Elevation in infiltration rates and water retention in the soil profile
- Increase of organic matter
- Increased availability of nutrients
- Increase in macro-, meso-, microfauna and flora populations
- Less occurrence and propagation of weeds

## Action strategies

### Diagnostic of the area

#### Before planting

- Standard georeferenced soil analyzes of 0–10cm, 0–20cm, 20–40cm and nematological analyzes for all treatments.

#### During the growth of coverage

- Biological evaluations (nematodes and microorganisms)
- Periodical measuring of the vegetative growth of plants
- Evaluation of root growth and soil profile effects (compaction), through the opening of trenches
- Evaluation of the dry matter of cover crops, which should be carried out in the full flowering of the plants, before the accomplishment of the management (mechanical and / or chemical)
- Evaluation of the suppression of invasive (weed) plant populations

#### After coverage management

- Evaluation of qualitative soil attributes (chemical, physical and biological)

As a strategic tool for better results, the penergetic b bio-activator for soil should be applied in total area before PLS implantation. Agronomic and economic evaluations will be carried out in all areas of the PLS.

## Implantation of summer crops on the PLS

**The crops should follow the recommendation of fertilization and soil correction by the technical team, and the use of the bio-activators penergetic b for soil in the implementation of the project and penergetic p for plants during the development of the crop is recommended.**

## Harvest

**The cover crop areas will be compared to the management used by the farmer. Summer crops will be harvested (soybean, corn, cotton, beans, etc.) over the crops and compared to the farmer’s control areas. These evaluations should be conducted in the same locations (side by side).**

## Expected results

- Recuperation of soil health by promoting the rebalancing of biota through No Till System with quality (including cover crops, crop rotation) and the use of tools that promote the bioactivation.
- Adequate and rational use of inputs, reducing production costs and increasing the profitability of the agricultural activity.
- Contribution to the development of sustainable production systems, improving the quality of the lives of those who consume and of those who produce food.

## Pearl millet

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Identification	Common name	Millet
	Scientific name	Pennisetum glaucum
	Family	Poaceae (Grasses)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	3,7 a 4
	Root system	Fasciculated
	Height (m)	1,5 a 2,5
	Growing habit	Erect thicket
	Flowering (days)	45 to 50
	Cycle (days)	130 to 140
	Green mass (mt/ha)	50 to 60
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	8,0 to 15
	Frost tolerance	Susceptible
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
Seeding	In line (kg/ha)	
	throwing sowing (kg/ha)	
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 coverages (kg/ha)	
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 coverages (kg/ha)	
Consortium with corn	In line (kg/ha)	—
	throwing sowing (kg/ha)	—
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne incognita	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne javanica	RF < 1
	Heterodera glycines	RF < 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	RF < 1
	Pratylenchus coeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	0,34 a 3,40
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,13 a 0,29
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	1,05 a 3,80
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Little picky in phosphorus. Reduces fusarium and rhizoctonia.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Can increase population of caterpillars.	

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## Crotalaria spectabilis

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Identification	Common name	Crotalaria spectabilis
	Scientific name	Crotalaria spectabilis
	Family	Fabaceae (Leguminous)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	16 to 19
	Root system	branched-penroot
	Height (m)	1,0 a 1,5
	Growing habit	shrubby erect
	Flowering (days)	110 to 140
	Cycle (days)	170 to 180
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 30
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	4 to 6
	Frost tolerance	Tolerant
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
Seeding	In line (kg/ha)	12 to 15
	throwing sowing (kg/ha)	15
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 coverages (kg/ha)	10
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 coverages (kg/ha)	8
Consortium with corn	In line (kg/ha)	10
	Throwing sowing (kg/ha)	20
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne incognita	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne javanica	RF < 1
	Heterodera glycines	RF < 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	Susceptible
	Pratylenchus coeae	RF < 1
	Pratylenchus zea	RF < 1
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	1,97 to 3,30
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,07 to 0,25
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	0,78 to 1,78
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Reduces nematode population.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Difficult control of plants out of stage.	

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*Crotalaria ochroleuca*  
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Identification	Common name	Crotalária ochroleuca
	Scientific name	Crotalaria ochroleuca
	Family	Fabaceae (Leguminous)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	6 to 8
	Root system	profound penroot
	Height (m)	1,5 to 2,0
	Growing habit	shrubby erect
	Flowering (days)	120 to 135
	Cycle (days)	125 to 135
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 30
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	7 to 10
	Frost tolerance	Susceptible
<b>Seeding season</b>		<b>Late spring – early summer</b>
Seeding	In line (kg/ha)	10
	throwing sowing (kg/ha)	12
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 coverages (kg/ha)	10
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 coverages (kg/ha)	8
Consortium with corn	In line (kg/ha)	5 to 8
	throwing sowing (kg/ha)	20% more
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne incognita	Not hostess
	Meloidogyne javanica	Not hostess
	Heterodera glycines	RF < 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	RF < 1
	Pratylenchus coeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	0,80 to 1,25
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,06 to 0,08
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	0,50 to 0,87
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Fast growth, pivoting roots, soil reclaimer, high biomass	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Attention to the management of vegetation before full bloom (increase fibers), which can make it difficult to plant the later culture.	

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*Crotalaria juncea*  
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Identification	Common name	Sunn Hemp
	Scientific name	Crotalaria juncea
	Family	Fabaceae (Leguminous)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	50
	Root system	deep taproot
	Height (m)	2,0 to 3,0
	Growing habit	shrubby erect
	Flowering (days)	70 to 130
	Cycle (days)	170 to 180
	Green mass (mt/ha)	35 to 60
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	10 to 15
	Frost tolerance	Susceptible
<b>Seeding season</b>		<b>Late spring – early summer</b>
Seeding	in lines	25 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	30 (kg/ha)
	Spacing between rows (25 to 50 cm)	25 to 30 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	10 to 12 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	8 to 10 (kg/ha)
Intercropping with corn	in lines	16 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	Susceptible
	Meloidogyne incognita	Susceptible / Resistent mod.
	Meloidogyne javanica	RF < 1
	Heterodera glycines	RF < 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	RF < 1
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	1,13 to 4,40
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,09 to 0,37
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	0,57 to 3,37
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> High nitrogen fixing capacity. Soil recovering and improvement. Allopathic effects on several invasive plants (weeds)	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Hostesses of <i>Pratylenchus brachyurus</i> , and some fungi. Biomass when incorporated, effects of tissue with glucosinolates are transformed into isothiocyanates and control nematodes ( <i>Pratylenchus</i> , and others) and soilborne diseases trough "biofumigation". These molecules are volatile and toxic to soil microorganisms and nematodes.	

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## Buckwheat

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Identification	Common name	Buckwheat
	Scientific name	Fagopyrum esculentum
	Family	Polygonaceae
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	32 to 37
	Root system	Vigorous Taproot
	Height (m)	0,6 to 1,2
	Growing habit	Erect
	Flowering (days)	35 to 50 days
	Cycle (days)	75 to 85
	Green mass (mt/ha)	15 to 28
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	3 to 6
	Frost tolerance	Susceptible
	<b>Seeding season</b>	<b>Late spring – summer</b>
Seeding	in lines	40 to 60 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 40cm)	25 a 30 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	18 to 25 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	15 to 18 (kg/ha)
Intercropping with corn	in lines	30 to 40 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	Not hostess
	Meloidogyne incognita	Not hostess
	Meloidogyne javanica	Not hostess
	Heterodera glycines	Not hostess
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	—
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	1,80 to 2,01
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,20 to 0,31
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	3,00 to 3,71
Indications	<p><b>Benefits:</b> The deep roots with high amount of mycorrhiza fungi make support long drought period. The dense, fibrous roots produce mild acids that release nutrients from the soil. Quick soil cover, efficient weed control, nectar for pollinators and beneficial insects, topsoil loosening rejuvenator for low-fertility soils. Excellent in beekeeping (high amount of pollen and nectar). The flowers attract beneficial insects that parasitize aphids, mites and other pests. Including hover flies (<i>Syrphidae</i>), predatory wasps, minute pirate bugs, insidious flower bugs, tachinid flies and lady beetles.</p> <p><b>Attention points:</b> Weeds can grow in low plant population.</p>	

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## Sunflower

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Identification	Common name	Sunflower
	Scientific name	Helianthus annuus
	Family	Compositae
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	50 to 95
	Root system	branched-tap root
	Height (m)	1,8 to 3,0
	Growing habit	erect
	Flowering (days)	60 to 80
	Cycle (days)	70 to 120
	Green mass (mt/ha)	40 to 70
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	7 to 15
	Frost tolerance	Moderately tolerant
	<b>Seeding season</b>	<b>Late spring – summer</b>
Seeding	in lines	3 to 20 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	12 a 15 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	3 to 4 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	2 (kg/ha)
Intercropping with corn	in lines	4 to 6 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	5 to 7 (kg/ha)
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	Susceptible
	Meloidogyne incognita	Susceptible
	Meloidogyne javanica	Susceptible
	Heterodera glycines	RF < 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	RF < 1
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	1,02 to 1,80
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,15 to 0,24
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	2,40 to 2,78
Indications	<p><b>Benefits:</b> Develops well in sandy soils, clayey, acid (pH from 5.1), fast initial phase growing; Alternative for oil production, for biofuel with the use of the pie in animal feed.</p> <p><b>Attention points:</b> Excessive rainfall and high temperatures, as well as crop residues can trigger attacks diseases of: Alternaria spot, rot of the stem (<i>Erwinia</i> sp.), Macrophomina, etc. Not recommended to rotate with beans (common diseases).</p>	

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**Finger millet**  
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<b>Identification</b>	Common name	Finger millet
	Scientific name	Eleusine coracana
	Family	Poaceae (Gramineae)
<b>Characteristics</b>	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	2,3 to 2,5
	Root system	Fasciculated Root
	Height (m)	0,8 to 1,2
	Growing habit	erect
	Flowering (days)	80 to 110 days
	Cycle (days)	130 to 170
	Green mass (mt/ha)	25 to 40
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	6 to 10
	Frost tolerance	Susceptible
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
<b>Seeding</b>	in lines	8 to 10 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	45 a 60 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	3 to 5 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	2 to 4 (kg/ha)
<b>Intercropping with corn</b>	in lines	—
	broadcast sowing	—
<b>Nematodes<sup>1</sup></b>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	—
	Meloidogyne incognita	Susceptible
	Meloidogyne javanica	Susceptible
	Heterodera glycines	RF < 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	RF < 1
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
<b>Recycling of nutrients</b>	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	1,03 to 1,53
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,06 to 0,17
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	1,24 to 1,89
<b>Indications</b>	<b>Benefits:</b> Fasciculate roots (can produce more than 6mt/ha of roots), indicated mainly in sandy soil where increase soil particle aggregates. Grows on poor soils and supports long drought season. High weed suppression.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> After biomass managed it's recommended to wait 15–25 days before sowing the next crop (slow decomposition of root system, which can lead to N temporary immobilization).	

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**Brachiaria ruziziensis**  
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<b>Identification</b>	Common name	Brachiaria ruziziensis *
	Scientific name	Urochloa ruziziensis
	Family	Poaceae (Gramineae)
<b>Characteristics</b>	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	12.5
	Root system	Fasciculated root
	Height (m)	0,8 to 1,2
	Growing habit	caespitosus
	Flowering (days)	40 to 50
	Cycle (days)	perennial
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 55
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	12 to 16
	Frost tolerance	low
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
<b>Seeding</b>	in lines	7 to 10 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	9 to 12 (kg/ha)
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	30 to 40 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	4 to 5 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	2 to 3 (kg/ha)
<b>Consortium with corn</b>	in lines	6 to 8 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
<b>Nematodes<sup>1</sup></b>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	Susceptible
	Meloidogyne incognita	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne javanica	RF < 1
	Heterodera glycines	RF < 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	RF < 1
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
<b>Recycling of nutrients</b>	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	0,75 to 2,01
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,04 to 0,15
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	0,60 to 1,49
<b>Indications</b>	<b>Benefits:</b> Grows in soils with medium chemical fertility. Precocity and high biomass production. Can be intercropped with corn and other crops, ease of handling, high nutrients recycling and high C/N ratio (around 40). Reduces Fusarium sp., Rhizoctonia sp. (white-mold).	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Attempt for continuous use and every 2 years to perform nematode analysis (Pratylenchus brachyurus), since it is host and can increase these populations and provoke damage to the next crops.	

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**Dwarf pigeonpea**  
Spring – Summer Soil Covers



Identification	Common name	Dwarf pigeonpea
	Scientific name	Cajanus cajan
	Family	Fabaceae (leguminosa)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	65 to 80
	Root system	vigorous / tap root
	Height (m)	1,0 to 1,8
	Growing habit	harpy / erect
	Flowering (days)	70 to 100
	Cycle (days)	130 to 160
	Green mass (mt/ha)	12 to 45
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	3 to 12 (mt/ha)
	Frost tolerance	Susceptible
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
Seeding	in lines	35 to 40 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	18 to 25 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	15 to 20 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	12 to 18 (kg/ha)
Intercropping with corn	in lines	20 to 25 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne incognita	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne javanica	RF < 1
	Heterodera glycines	RF < 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	RF < 1
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	1,32 a 3,35
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,09 a 0,25
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	0,47 a 2,84
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Grows in soils with medium fertility, biological chisel plow (disrupting soil compacted layers); Allopathic effects on invasive plants (weeds). Reduces Fusarium sp. and Rhizoctonia sp.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Avoid highly compacted soils, since the roots of this legume may not be so efficient. In this case use the giant pigeonpea, because their vigorous tap root system.	

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**Oilseed radish**  
Autumn – Early Winter Soil Covers



Identification	Common name	Oilseed radish
	Scientific name	Raphanus sativus
	Family	Brassicaceae (cruciferae)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	8 to 14
	Root system	deep / tuberous / tap root
	Height (m)	0,8 to 1,6
	Growing habit	Herbaceous determinated
	Flowering (days)	60 to 90
	Cycle (days)	140 to 160
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 65
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	3 to 9
	Frost tolerance	Tolerant
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
Seeding	in lines	10 to 17
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	25 a 35 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	4 to 5 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	2 to 3 (kg/ha)
Consortium with corn	in lines	5 to 8 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	Not hostess
	Meloidogyne incognita	RF < 1
	Meloidogyne javanica	Susceptible
	Heterodera glycines	—
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	—
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	0,92 to 2,96
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,18 to 0,33
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	2,02 to 3,90
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Fast growth – deep roots that can break down soil compacted layers, and high nutrient recycling (N, S, P). During growth period it can promote weed suppression.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Do not sow in areas with Sclerotinia problems. Intercropped with other species such as rye, oat, millet, buckwheat, etc., may be use 2 to 3 kg/ha, will decrease white mold and undermine the later crops. Can be successfully mixed with grasses, legume and other cover crop species.	

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**Common vetch**  
Autumn – Winter Soil Covers



Identification	Common name	Common vetch
	Scientific name	Vicia sativa
	Family	Fabaceae (leguminous)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	36 to 60
	Root system	Tap root
	Height (m)	0,5 to 0,8
	Growing habit	decumbent
	Flowering (days)	120 to 150
	Cycle (days)	180 to 200
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 30
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	4 to 6
	Frost tolerance	Tolerant
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
Seeding	in lines	50 to 80 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	25 to 30 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	18 to 25 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	12 to 18 (kg/ha)
Intercropping with corn	in lines	—
	broadcast sowing	—
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	Susceptible and hostess
	Meloidogyne incognita	Susceptible and hostess
	Meloidogyne javanica	Susceptible and hostess
	Heterodera glycines	—
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	—
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	0,20 to 3,47
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,13 to 0,38
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	2,10 to 2,56
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Efficient weed population control (mattress over the ground). High nitrogen supply by biological fixation and N recycling. Can be used as animal fodder (isolated or mixed with oat, rye, raygras, etc.).	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Better development in soils with high level of Ca and high soil pH.	

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**Hairy vetch**  
Autumn – Winter Soil Covers



Identification	Common name	Hairy vetch
	Scientific name	Vicia villosa
	Family	Fabaceae (leguminous)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	36 to 60
	Root system	Tap root
	Height (m)	0,5 to 0,8
	Growing habit	decumbent
	Flowering (days)	140 to 160
	Cycle (days)	200 to 230
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 30
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	4 to 6
	Frost tolerance	Tolerant
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
Seeding	in lines	30 to 60 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	25 to 30 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	18 to 25 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	12 to 18 (kg/ha)
Consortium with corn	in lines	—
	broadcast sowing	—
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	Susceptible and hostess
	Meloidogyne incognita	Susceptible and hostess
	Meloidogyne javanica	Susceptible and hostess
	Heterodera glycines	—
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	—
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	1,88 to 4,36
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,10 to 0,41
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	2,30 to 4,26
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Rustic crop that fits well in soils with low content of pH, Al and P. Provide high N to the soil and next crops in temperate and subtropical regions. Trough mulching effects, soil structure, higher water retention, crop root development, soil biological activity leads to increase crop yields. Can be mixed with oat, rye, ryegrass, radish, buckwheat, phacelie, etc., produces quality fodder with high protein content.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Mix hairy vetch with rye and other grasses reduce drastically N leaching and enhance cash crop yield. In France low cycle varieties.	

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## Rye

Autumn – Winter Soil Covers



Identification	Common name	Rye
	Scientific name	Secale cereale
	Family	Fabaceae (graminea)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	16 to 20
	Root system	fasciculated with tiller
	Height (m)	0,6 to 0,8
	Growing habit	Clump/Erect
	Flowering (days)	60 to 90
	Cycle (days)	140 to 150
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 30
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	2 to 5
	Frost tolerance	Tolerant
		<b>Seeding season</b>
Seeding	in lines	50 to 70
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	60 to 70 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	20 to 25 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	10 to 15 (kg/ha)
Intercropping with corn	in lines	—
	broadcast sowing	—
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	Susceptible
	Meloidogyne incognita	Susceptible
	Meloidogyne javanica	Susceptible
	Heterodera glycines	—
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	—
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	0,58 to 1,22
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,08 to 0,29
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	0,75 to 1,45
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Rye grows fast (even in cold fall) helps trap snow in winter, further boosting winter hardiness. Weed suppression, erosion control and soil root disease reduction. Due to lignin, hemicellulose and cellulose tissue content, remain higher soil covering. Deep roots promote better drainage, nutrient recycling of P, K and other nutrients. Quick maturity in spring can help maintain late-spring soil moisture. Can be mixed with oat, can avoid leaf rust attack; with vetch and other legume, more N during higher period for the next crop.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Better soil effects when mixed with other cover crops such as hairy vetch, oat, lupine, field pea, radish, mustard, buckwheat, etc	

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## White lupine

Autumn – Winter Soil Covers



Identification	Common name	White lupine
	Scientific name	Lupinus albus
	Family	Fabaceae (Leguminous)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	300 to 500
	Root system	tap root
	Height (m)	0,8 to 1,2
	Growing habit	Bushy erect
	Flowering (days)	50 to 70
	Cycle (days)	180 days
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 30
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	2 to 3
	Frost tolerance	Tolerant
		<b>Seeding season</b>
Seeding	in lines	60 to 80
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	15 to 20 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	25 to 30
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	15 to 20
Consortium with corn	in lines	—
	broadcast sowing	—
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	Pratylenchus brachyurus	RF > 1
	Meloidogyne incognita	RF > 1
	Meloidogyne javanica	RF > 1
	Heterodera glycines	RF > 1
	Rotilenchulus reniformis	—
	Pratylenchus coffeae	—
	Pratylenchus zea	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	1,22 to 1,97
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,09 to 0,29
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	1,00 to 2,66
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> used as a cover crop, oil (seeds), forage (sweet varieties) and animal fodder. High fixing nitrogen and cycling phosphorus and other nutrients. Nitrogen fixing can vary from 100 to 200kg N ha <sup>-1</sup> . P fixed by Fe, Al, and Ca phosphates can be released by root exudates (citric acid secretion) and citrate. The bitter seeds have higher protein content.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> As it is a host plant of several species of nematodes, it is recommended to mix with oat, rye, millet, triticale, among others to diminish these effect.	

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## Black oat

Autumn – Winter Soil Covers



Identification	Common name	Black Oat
	Scientific name	<i>Avena strigosa</i>
	Family	Poaceae (Gramínea)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	13 to 16
	Root system	Fasciculated/tillering
	Height (m)	0,8 to 1,2
	Growing habit	caespitose
	Flowering (days)	80 to 110
	Cycle (days)	120 to 180
	Green mass (mt/ha)	30 to 60
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	3 to 6
	Frost tolerance	little Tolerant
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
Seeding	in lines	55 to 70
	broadcast sowing	20% more
	Spacing between rows (17 to 34cm)	60 to 70 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	30 to 40 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	25 to 30 (kg/ha)
Intercropping with corn	in lines	—
	broadcast sowing	—
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	<i>Pratylenchus brachyurus</i>	RF < 1
	<i>Meloidogyne incognita</i>	RF < 1
	<i>Meloidogyne javanica</i>	RF < 1
	<i>Heterodera glycines</i>	RF < 1
	<i>Rotilenchulus reniformis</i>	RF < 1
	<i>Pratylenchus coffeae</i>	—
	<i>Pratylenchus zea</i>	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	0,70 to 1,68
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,10 to 0,42
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	1,08 to 3,08
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Very fast growth. High biomass production, efficient soil protection, efficient suppressing weed population and high versatility to fit in different cropping rotation systems, Soil attributes improvement. Can be used also as fodder (forage and grains) to animals. Good results can be achieved when mixed with other cover crop species (legume and other species). When mixed with rye, the rust occurrence can be highly decreased. Normally oats are more tolerant of wet soil than barley, but require more moisture.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Oat can be used as soil covering (mulch or straw), forage or hay, and grain options.	

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## Field pea

Autumn – Early Spring Soil Covers



Identification	Common name	Austrian winter peas (black); Canadian field peas (spring peas)
	Scientific name	<i>Pisum sativum</i> ssp. <i>Arvense</i>
	Family	Fabaceae (leguminous)
Characteristics	Weight of 1,000 seeds (grams)	95 to 125
	Root system	Tap root
	Height (m)	0,6 to 0,8
	Growing habit	climbing
	Flowering (days)	40 to 50
	Cycle (days)	80 to 110
	Green mass (mt/ha)	20 to 30
	Dry mass (mt/ha)	4 to 6
	Frost tolerance	No tolerant
	<b>Seeding season</b>	
Seeding	in lines	25 to 40 (kg/ha)
	broadcast sowing	45 to 50
	Spacing between rows (17 to 50cm)	15 to 20 (seeds/linear m)
	In mixtures with 2 to 3 crops	12 to 20 (kg/ha)
	In mixtures with 4 to 6 crops	10 to 14 (kg/ha)
Consortium with corn	in lines	very efficient, sow when maize are around 0,60 to 0,80 m.
	broadcast sowing	—
Nematodes <sup>1</sup>	<i>Pratylenchus brachyurus</i>	Susceptible
	<i>Meloidogyne incognita</i>	Susceptible
	<i>Meloidogyne javanica</i>	—
	<i>Heterodera glycines</i>	—
	<i>Rotilenchulus reniformis</i>	—
	<i>Pratylenchus coffeae</i>	—
	<i>Pratylenchus zea</i>	—
Recycling of nutrients	Nitrogen (% in dry matter) <sup>2</sup>	0,20 to 3,47
	Phosphorus P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (% in dry matter)	0,13 to 0,38
	Potassium K <sub>2</sub> O (% in dry matter)	2,10 to 2,56
Indications	<b>Benefits:</b> Fast growing, high biomass and soil covering. In spring can suppress weeds properly. Used as forage – normally 18-20% of protein or grain, isolated or mixed with oat, rye, raygras, etc , May be used as cash crop. Attract beneficial organisms. Nitrogen cycling.	
	<b>Attention points:</b> Moderately cold and drought tolerant. Can adapt in semi-arid climate, in soils with medium fertility. <i>Mycosphaerella</i> and <i>Ascochyta pisi</i> foot rot are the main diseases of economic importance in field pea. Also can be susceptible to <i>Sclerotinia</i> sp. in some regions.	

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# Consortium, cocktail and mix of cover crops

## Consortium spring / summer

- Millet ADR-300 (5–8 kg/ha) + buckwheat (15–20 kg/ha) + crotalarias (spectabilis, breviflora and ochroleuca) (6–8 kg/ha each)  
\* may be mixed or each species individually.
- Millet ADR-300 (5–8 kg/ha) + buckwheat (15–20 kg/ha) + crotalaria (spectabilis, breviflora and ochroleuca) (6–8 kg/ha each) + dwarf pigeon pea or mucuna (10–15 kg/ha)

## Consortium autumn / winter – Indicated for areas with altitude

- Forage turnip (3–4 kg/ha) + black oats (20–25 kg/ha) + common vetch (15–20 kg/ha)
- Black oats (20–25 kg/ha) + white lupine (30–35 kg/ha) + rye (15–20 kg/ha)

### Markings

<sup>1</sup> RF = reproduction factor

RF < 1 initial population of nematodes is reduced

RF = 1 initial nematode population is maintained (does not increase or decrease)

RF > 1 initial population of nematodes is increased

<sup>2</sup> The values expressed in Nitrogen (N) are relative to biological fixation and recycled for legumes and recycled for other families.

### General observations

The recommendation of seed density may vary from crop to crop, according to the weight, germination, vigor and purity of the seeds. The information in this leaflet has been summarized from the available literature for the practice of green fertilization, and not used for forage or seed and grain production. For any species, planting season and region it is important to comply with the soil moisture conditions for seed germination and development. The information and values may vary with plant age, plant type, soil, fertility, climate, season and sowing density.

## Seed quantity (kg/ha)

Covers	Single	Cocktail with 2 or 3 covers	Cocktail with 5 to 6 covers	Intercropping with corn
Pearl millet	20	6–8	5–6	–
Crotalaria spectabilis	15	8–10	6–8	10
Crotalaria ochroleuca	12–15	8–10	6–8	10
Crotalaria juncea	20	8–10	6–8	–
Buckwheat	60	20	15	–
Sunflower	30	5	2	–
Finger millet	10	5	3	–
Brachiaria ruziziensis	10	6	3	3
Dwarf pigeon pea	35	20	15	20–25
Oilseed radish	20	4–5	2–3	–
Common vetch	50	30	15	–
Rye	60	30	20	–
White lupine	100	50	20	–
Black oat	65	40	29	–

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## Some additional cover crops in the U.S.A. and in Europe

In 2003, Ademir Calegari visited France and shared experiences and ideas and encouraged Frédéric Thomas, researcher and farmer from France, to start with different trials, testing and validating some different mix cover crops.

So, these different mix cover crops can be tested and used in different countries in Europe, U.S.A and also some other countries.

*Phacelia tanacetifolia, Vigna unguiculata (cowpea), Faba bean, Lotus corniculatus (bird's trefoil), Melilotus officinalis, Lolium multiflorum (Ryegrass), X-Triticosecale (Triticale), (Hordeum vulgare) Barley, Sorghum bicolor (Sorghum), Sudan grass, Brassica sp. (Oil seed rape), Asian radish, Fodder radish, Moha, (Sinapis sp.) white and Black mustard, Alexandrian clover (Bersim clover), Subterranean clover, Persian clover, Crimson clover, White clover, Red clover, Lathyrus sp., Faba bean, Faenun graecum, Camelina sp., Linum usitatissimum (Flax), etc.*

### Species / basics

Basics	During the period between cash crops, seeding any cover crop is a big step forward in restoring water quality, maintaining and developing soil fertility and in the long term saving fertilizer inputs and reducing the need for tillage. Each plant has its own attributes that fit specific or diverse situations. Therefore, it is very important to have a good knowledge of each one of these important "agronomical tools" in order to use them properly and gain the maximum benefits.
Common (white) mustard	Seeding rate: 8–10kg/ha single (3–4kg/ha into a mix) Most widely used cover crop, easy to establish, quickly covers soil surface but very sensitive to stress (lack of water, lack of nitrogen or very high temperatures) and can run to seed very quickly. Biomass rapidly becomes fibrous, breaks down slowly and during decomposition, N losses can be high.
Phacelia	Seeding rate: 6–10kg/ha Requires better establishment, small roots, very beneficial in improving surface soil structure, especially in clay soils. Popular with bees. Improves density in mixtures and can easily be destroyed by knife roller; its black coloured residues help to warm up the soil (just like field bean residues). If N is available (manure or legumes), it produces a lot of biomass; also a good K scavenger (indeterminate flowering habit and produces a lot of seeds).
Oat (spring or winter variety)	Seeding rate: 70–90kg/ha Not expensive and easy to establish, oats are better suited as autumn and winter cover crops. When drilled too early they produce low levels of biomass and are susceptible to rust and aphids. Generally, crop is not killed by frosts and will re-grow in spring.

Fodder radish	Seeding rate: 6–8kg/ha Versatile plant suited to almost all soil types and conditions. Develops huge biomass and leaves a good soil structure. Resists to drought and is not attractive to slugs. Good basis for a lot of mixes.
Rye	Seeding rate: 70–100kg/ha Very aggressive plant with good soil restructuring root system. Does not develop a lot of biomass after autumn seeding but becomes very productive in the following spring. Very sensitive to slugs when young. Useful for thick mulch to direct drill legumes, maize or vegetable crops. High residue in C/N ratio, risk of early N deficiency. Mixing with vetches or peas is advisable.
Triticale	Seeding rate: 80–120kg/ha Same properties as rye but little bit less aggressive and more susceptible to pests and diseases. Should be sown as hibernate cover crop.
Barley (spring or winter variety)	Useful and cheap cover crop, can supply some biomass in autumn (spring varieties). Barley is sensitive to stress and diseases. Not advisable in rotation with winter cereals.
Rye grass	Seeding rate: 17–22kg/ha Slow early growth, once established becomes very aggressive. Better suited to cover crops which will be hibernate. Can supply a useful source of forage and is a N scavenger. One of the few species that can grow under maize, but can be very difficult to manage either mechanically or chemically.
Oil seed rape	Seeding rate: 8–12kg/ha Very inexpensive cover crop, aggressive with good soil structuring attributes. To get best from OSR as cover crop needs to be sufficient N available. Used in any rotation where OSR is not a part. OSR will encourage slugs, this should be taken into account when considering.
Fodder rape	Seeding rate: 8–12kg/ha Very similar to OSR but with more foliage (better cover) and can be grazed.

### Species / "new species"

"New species"	These species have been introduced recently as potential cover crops with some useful attributes. It is not a complete list; new species are screened every year by min-till and no-tillage organisations and also by seed suppliers. There are many other species which might be suited as cover crops but it is a case of finding them and trialling them on a local basis.
Sunflower	Seeding rate: 20–25kg/ha Best suited to hot and dry conditions, supplies good levels of biomass if planted early in the summer. Good option for summer cover crops in rotations where it is not planted as a cash crop; killed by frost. In biomass type mixtures form a basis, which absorbs N, P and K: Doesn't provide much soil cover but does absorb a lot of nutrients and helps suppress weeds.
Rough oat or Brazilian oat (avena strigosa)	Seeding rate: 35–45kg/ha Will grow under all conditions. Is close to forage oat, quite aggressive and produces a heavy biomass that can be converted into quality forage (could be fibrous). As a cover crop, remaining straw on soil can be difficult to break down and may require some extra N: therefore risk of N deficiency in next crop. Can be reduced by including a legume.
Flax	Seeding rate: 20–30kg/ha Easy to establish even under dry conditions. Low surface biomass, produces a good level of roots and competes well with weeds. Remaining residue can block tillage tools and seeders.
Buckwheat	Seeding rate: 45–55kg/ha Quite easy to establish in stubble during summer, competes well with broadleaved weeds (allotropic effect). Quite easy to use as "double" crop or catch crop. Remaining seeds after harvest or in cover crops biomass will germinate next spring when temperature reaches 12°C. Not recommended as cover crop or mix before maize, sugar beet, and sunflower. Encourages bees and wildlife. Good P scavenger.

Camelina	Seeding rate: 8–12kg/ha Oil seed plant, seeded very shallow, emerges and grows quickly and competes well with weeds. With a growing cycle (90–100 days), a high risk of producing viable seeds. Can be used as double crop and companion crop especially in association with legumes (e.g. lentil, soybean, lupine).
Asian radish	Seeding rate: 5–8kg/ha Quite easy to establish, absorbs a lot of N. Unlike the fodder radish, stem doesn't grow (if sown late summer and autumn) but develops rapidly and produces long tap roots. In sufficient soil fertility, root can become very big and weigh several kg. Usually killed by winter frosts (-7 or -8°C) or by rolling or shallow tillage. Crucifer. Crop returns fertility stored in its root as a low C/N ratio.
Turnip	Seeding rate: 6–10kg/ha Cruciferous species mopping up a lot of residual N. Like OSR, no growth of stem in autumn and foliage is good for grazing. Will not be killed during winter and continue to absorb N. During spring growth initially depletes N available for the following crop. This N will be only available later to the cash crop.
Moha millet	Seeding rate: 25–30kg/ha Summer grass, need high temperatures, water and N. Excellent source of forage and useful cash crop, when in conjunction with legume (e.g. Alexandrian clover). Sensitive to sunlight, must be seeded early (before mid-July), long day length stimulates growth.
Sorghum	Seeding rate: 15–25kg/ha Very aggressive tropical grass producing heavy biomass and roots, when planted early. Drought resistant when well established (needs to be well seeded). Benefits from high temperatures, moisture and N. Several types (grain, sugar, paper) can produce different volumes and qualities of vegetation. Good source of forage.
Black mustard	Seeding rate: 2–3kg/ha Very low thousand grain weight and strong emergence (vegetal development a little bit like OSR, produce a stem in autumn), can be seeded at very low seed rate. Growth cycle is longer than white mustard, chance of producing seed lower, therefore less competitive with weeds. Could be employed as a “bio-fumigant” on nematodes.
Nyger	Seeding rate: 8–12kg/ha Closely related to sunflowers and best suited to hot moist conditions. If drilled early, it can produce high levels of biomass and will smother volunteers and weeds. First light frost will kill it. Attractive to slugs. If planted early is a versatile cover crop. Planted alone or in mixture, gives good results. Should be a companion crop with autumn sown OSR (attracts slugs) and killed with first frost, will not compete with crop.

## Species / legume cover crops

<b>Legume cover crops</b>	<b>In Europe, few are included in our crop rotations, so they should be included in cover crops mixes. This is probably at odds with the concept of the N holding cover crops aimed at reducing nitrate level in drainage water. They bring more diversity, promote a higher biomass production and, none the less, fix some N, which can reduce the dependence on artificial fertilizer. Finally, legumes have a low C/N ratio so do not tie up soil N. As an essential natural plant species, they should be included wherever possible.</b>
Common vetch (spring or winter cultivars)	Seeding rate: 40–50kg/ha Slow to establish, but as a climber will smother other species in autumn (or spring if seeded late). Very good N fixer, that combines quite well with cover crops and forage mixes. Easily controlled with knife roller or any other mechanical destruction. Tendency to re-grow and can block up tine based tillage machinery. Its shallow root system aids biologic activity.
Hairy vetch	Seeding rate: 35–45kg/ha Initially slower to establish than common vetch, once growing can become quite aggressive. Can dominate any species or mixture and will smother weeds on volunteers by its very high levels of vegetation. Has trait of having 3–5% seeds remaining dormant and may well germinate in the following cash crop. Risk of contamination is limited by conservation tillage and direct drilling, but could be a problem for organic growers.

Bengal vetch	Seeding rate: 40–50kg/ha Same traits as common vetch but with faster growth: depending on conditions, of 25% to 40% more biomass in 3 months in summer and autumn. Quite good choice where sown between winter cereal crops supplying N to the following crop.
Cerdagne vetch (Mountain vetch)	Seeding rate: 30–40kg/ha Well suited to dry and harsh conditions. Like bitter vetch, various species are not yet catalogued so cannot be differentiated in between.
Alexandrian clover (Berseem clover)	Seeding rate: 8–12kg/ha Annual or biennial clover, develops rapidly during summer and autumn if conditions are favourable. Prefers deeper soils with a good natural fertility and sufficient moisture. Significantly less competitive under dry conditions. Under good conditions it can produce high levels of biomass (3–4mt of DM/ha are possible after barley or wheat crop), fixing significant amounts of N. Very good source of forage alone or in mixes but also very good cover crop between two straw crops. No need to destroy before planting next straw crop (can be dealt by herbicides during the autumn and winter).
Persian clover	Seeding rate: 8–12kg/ha Like Alexandrian clover it provides biomass during summer. Grows better in poorer soils and harder conditions: more resistant to frost and harder to destroy.
Crimson clover	Seeding rate: 12–15kg/ha Biennial clover, quite slow to establish in autumn but opposed to Berseem clover performs better under more difficult climatic conditions and lighter soils. Quite winter hard, will regrow again in spring very fast (the main production period). Good source of forage and a useful complement for cover crop mix with early spring biomass production. Despite its qualities, is not a big N fixer: In field trials, often at bottom of the list. Good cover crop to use on wet soils before maize, as long as it is killed off before using up all soil moisture.
Field bean	Seeding rate: 150–200kg/ha Despite large seed size and heavy seed rates, very useful and versatile plant as cover crops (volunteers are a good indication). Produces a considerable amount of biomass and tap root is good for soil re-structuring. Able to quickly fix the high amounts of N (80–200kg N/ha in 3–4 months). Not ideal forage crop but can be used in silage or haylage. Can be included in many summer, autumn or winter mixes. Usually killed by winter frost but if sown late (after corn harvest), will go through winter easily and start to grow again in spring. Good companion crop (OSR, sunflower, corn, cereals), not very competitive against weeds. Spring variety “Diana” with a lot smaller grain size (300–400gr/1000 grains) tested by conservation agriculture networks, seems to bring equal results at half seed rate.
Forage pea	Seeding rate: 60–80kg/ha Very versatile legume well suited cover crop. A lot hardier, producing a bigger biomass and more disease resistant than varieties used for grain production. Good supplement of any cover mix. Produces good quality forage useful in forage and grain mixes.
Latyrus	Seeding rate: 35–45kg/ha Better suited to calcareous soil where it can produce good levels of biomass. In these conditions good N fixer. Grain is toxic, can't be used as forage, but useful as companion plant especially for OSR (short growing cycle and easily killed by frost).
Lentil	Seeding rate: 25–35kg/ha Generally prefers calcareous and non-acidic soils. Does not produce high levels of biomass, still quite competitive with weeds (when drilled at high seed rates). Rarely used as cover crop and especially not in mixtures. Very useful as companion crop for OSR, if used GFL mix (Gesse/ fenugreek/lentil). Black fodder lentil, produces more biomass and is more aggressive, but seed is in short supply.
Fenugreek	Seeding rate: 10–15kg/ha Typical smell of curry (plant and seeds). Suited to clay and calcareous soil and quite hardy conditions. With lentils, fenugreek is not an aggressive plant. Potential biomass is not great but for forage has high quality (not for dairy cows – curry taste goes into the milk). Does not perform well in cover crop mixtures: good companion crop for OSR. Its strong smell can deter insects but attract hares and deer.

## Species / classical blends

Classical blends	Not an exhaustive list but contains the main species used at present. Other plants can also be used as cover crops alone or in mixtures. Researchers, seed dealers and conservation agriculture networks continue to investigate other species and select some specific varieties that can perform new functions. Below are listed only few examples to give some ideas, associations and mixtures. Please note that the more species put in a mix, the better they will perform in terms of soil structure, fertility, biomass, weed control, stability, etc.: the more complex the blend, the more simple it becomes!
Mustard   phacelia	Seeding rate: 4kg/ha   5kg/ha Conventional and very classic mix for fields with good levels of N or where some kind of manure or slurry will be applied. Usually high biomass production. Depending on fertility and weather conditions, mustard can become dominant (in this case reduce the seed rate of mustard or dilute it with a third species). Seedbed must be sufficiently good for phacelia to establish well.
Winter oat   mustard	Seeding rate: 20kg/ha   4kg/ha Easy mix to use with a good potential of biomass production if sufficient N available. Mix is good for weed control but residues are high in C and may use more N from the soil during decomposition than return any for the next crop. Is even more evident if cover crop is incorporated or ploughed down, if following crop is directly drilled. Residue remains on the soil surface, decomposition is slower tying up less soil N.
Spring oat   vetch	Seeding rate: 50kg/ha   25kg/ha Mix is better suited for seeding later in the season, possibility to hibernate and completing its work the following spring. Earlier sowed oats may not be competitive enough and could leave space for weeds to develop. Winter cover crop and addition of some field beans with reduced seed rate of oats and vetch will be a better option (40kg/ha oat, 20kg/ha vetch and 40kg/ha Berseem) and will fix more N.
Winter oat   phacelia	Seeding rate: 20kg/ha   5kg/ha Good potential biomass producer with a better balanced C/N ratio. Care must be taken as oats can become dominant. Better to mix with a third species (a legume like vetch).
Winter oat   phacelia   vetch	Seeding rate: 15kg/ha   3kg/ha   15kg/ha Very well balanced mix with species that have got different and complementary vegetative behaviours. Adding vetch will improve biomass production, soil coverage and increase N pool. While lowering average C/N ratio of residues. Mix can give good results after winter cereals crops (long intercrop period) as well as after maize (where it will hibernate). In this situation it is recommended to increase the seed rates by 10 to 20% in order to get more quickly better cover.
Alexandrian clover   phacelia	Seeding rate: 5kg/ha   5kg/ha Two less competitive species that can cooperate well together to produce a good cover and a well-balanced biomass. Easy to manage. Mix needs to be established well and prefers deep silty soils with good natural fertility. Mixture is useful between two winter cereals or for longer inter crop periods where, if planted too early, it will be held back by winter frosts.
Radish   forage pea	Seeding rate: 5kg/ha   25kg/ha More impressive and bushy, able to produce a large biomass (4–6mt of DM/ha) if sown early. Good couple for short intercrop periods before winter cereals if OSR is not one of the main crops in the rotation. Performance will be improved by incorporating other species in the mixture like sunflower, phacelia, flax, vetch.
Pea   vetch   field bean	Seeding rate: 25kg/ha   20kg/ha   50kg/ha Quite well balanced mixture with the objective of fixing max. N to boost soil's natural fertility. For summer-autumn or winter-spring intercropping it is recommended to add some oats, phacelia or radish or maybe all three to boost biomass production and level of cover without reducing ability to fix N. Pure legume mix, fits well in no-till and organic farming systems. Care should be taken when the crop is destroyed, possible for N leaching, breaching environmental legislation.

## Species / "Biomax" type blends

"Biomax" type blends	The word "Biomax" explains the objective of the multiple species cover crops: to produce the maximum level of biomass encouraging a maximum amount of bio-diversity in the soil and the surface. Once again, this list of examples is obviously not complete. Never the less it should supply ideas and guidelines to help growers understand how to blend plants types in order to be able to make their own Biomax mixes according to their conditions, objectives and available seed.
Mustard   phacelia   pea   vetch	Seeding rate: 2kg/ha   2kg/ha   20kg/ha   12kg/ha Mixture is quite well balanced with some good conventional cover crops associated with a couple of very good legumes. Well suited for sowing from middle to the end of august for autumn and winter intercropping. If sown too early, risk that mustard will run to seed even if the seed rates are reduced.
Sunflower   radish   phacelia   pea   vetch	Seeding rate: 6kg/ha   2kg/ha   2kg/ha   15kg/ha   10kg/ha Mixture produces more impressive vegetation and a bigger biomass capable of fixing good levels of N. Possible to drill early, right after harvesting winter cereals. Can be used for longer intercrop periods or between two winter cereals. Usually controlled by the winter weather and does not need to be destroyed chemically or mechanically.
Radish   flax   phacelia   pea   vetch	Seeding rate: 3kg/ha   7kg/ha   2kg/ha   15kg/ha   10kg/ha If sunflower is grown on the farm as a cash-crop, it is possible to increase amount of radish and add some flax. Mix probably less productive in term of biomass but with soil structuring effect in combination with radish and flax makes a useful cover crop.
Asian radish   phacelia   field bean   Alexandrian or Crimson clover   vetch or pea	Seeding rate: 2kg/ha   2kg/ha   30kg/ha   3kg/ha   10kg/ha Cover consists five "levels" with the tillage radish dealing with "deep underground level". Biomax will be a bit shorter with slightly less biomass but its vegetation will be very dense. Good N fixer with fast return to next crop. Ideal cover crop between winter cereal crops.
Oat   field bean   Pea   vetch   phacelia	Seeding rate: 25kg/ha   50kg/ha   20kg/ha   15kg/ha   2kg/ha Mixture for winter-spring intercropping, slightly higher seed rate. Drilled in October or November, majority of plants will go through the winter and come up in spring. As most are legumes, their growth will not only absorb soil moisture but also increase level of N fixed and of C returned to the soil during the intercrop period. Oat can be easily replaced by summer oat, rye or any other winter cereals by adjusting seed rate.
Sorghum   radish   moha rough oat   pea   vetch   Alexandrian or Crimson clover	Seeding rate: 3kg/ha   2kg/ha   5kg/ha   10kg/ha   10kg/ha   5kg/ha Summer biomax for forage production. Should be sown early after winter barley or OSR. Potential of biomass production is very high and such a diversity of plants will easily adapt to and compensate adverse climatic conditions.
Field bean   vetch   pea   Alexandrian clover   lentil	Seeding rate: 30kg/ha   10kg/ha   15kg/ha   3kg/ha   5kg/ha Pure legume biomax for max. N fixation. During 3–4 months summer intercrop period, possible that mixture can produce 4–5mt/ha of DM with 100–180kg of N/ha (kept in total biomass: surface vegetation and roots) a large percentage (40–50%) will be available for the next crop.
Sunflower   phacelia   radish   OSR   rough oat   flax   nyger   pea   vetch   Alexandrian clover   field bean	Seeding rate: 3kg/ha   2kg/ha   1kg/ha   3kg/ha   4kg/ha   3kg/ha   1kg/ha   6kg/ha   5kg/ha   2kg/ha   15kg/ha Ten species are a very complex biomax mixture. If weather conditions are favourable, (when sown after a winter cereal), possible for this type of mixture to produce 10mt/ha of DM with 150–250kg of N/ha recycled and fixed in the surface vegetation. Mixture is a real soil fertility booster.

# Penergetic Products



*A passion for nature. Made in Switzerland.  
We encourage a sustainable and gentle agriculture for humans, animals and the environment since 20 years. We are based in Switzerland, the ideal place to turn our vision into reality. State-of-the-art production facilities, innovative product development and a highly qualified team ensure a production to the highest quality standards.*

Penergetic's development work is based on a holistic approach. It is important to take into account as many interrelations of natural process chains in agriculture and the environment as possible into account, ideally all of them. Biological systems are open cycles. In various process chains that are interlinked with each other, they form our eco-system.

Penergetic products stimulate biological systems with natural impulses. In this way, cycles can be

optimized and the efficiency of individual processes can be improved. Increased yields and higher profits together with improved well-being of the animals ensure the future viability of the farms. The Penergetic product system covers six areas of use.

The individual products are cycles within themselves and interact with one another. The products are optimized continuously and their effects complement each other.

#### ***penergetic products***

- for water
- for plants
- for animals
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- for compost
- for soils

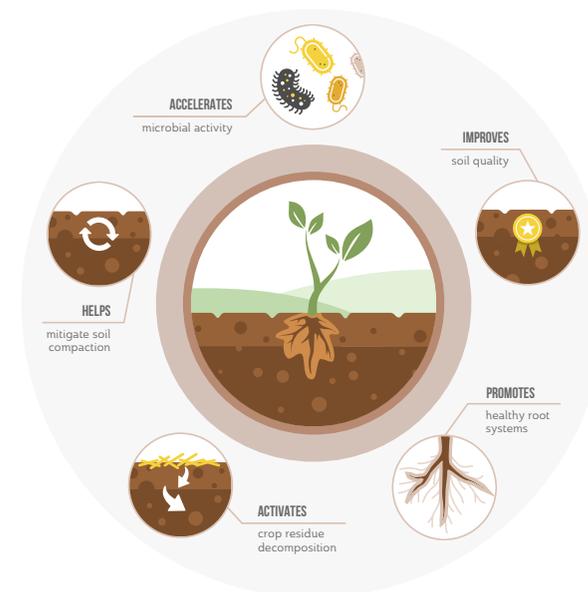
# Soil penergetic b

*Soil life – soil health – these are the farmer's most important assets and must be supported and promoted.*

penergetic b has been designed to stimulate soil biology and to promote its activity. By stimulating the soil organisms, the mycorrhizae and indirectly the root growth are activated. The crop residues in the fields should not be neglected. They are useful and important food for soil organisms.

### **Benefits**

- Accelerates microbial activity and soil quality
- Increases phosphorus availability
- Reduces influence of harmful microbes
- Activates crop residue decomposing
- Helps mitigate soil compaction
- Increased number of beneficial fungi in the soil
- Less fertilizer needed due to improved soil fertility
- Optimised soil structure (air, water, heat balance)
- Easier tillage
- Less machinery work needed
- Reduces weed pressure



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## Improvement in soil structure with 'activated' manure

### Observation of soil structure and soil quality over two years (2015–2016)

- Aerobic activation with liquid manure and penergetic b
- Willenbring Farm, Minnesota U.S.A.

Field 2 and field 6 were both treated with penergetic b and p for the first time in the spring of 2015 and again in the spring of 2016.

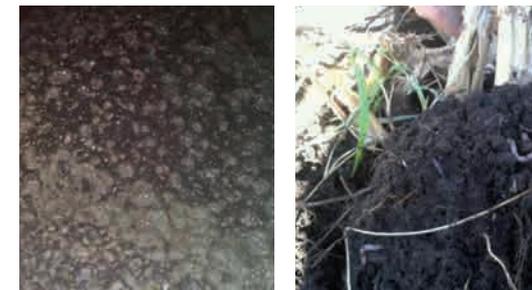
Both fields received 1,500–2,000gal/ac (14–18m<sup>3</sup>/ha) of penergetic g/k treated (aerobically activated) liquid dairy manure for the first time in September of 2016.

Notice how much different the Sulfur levels are for both fields in 2016.

Also how the pH of both fields have gone from alkaline to balanced since the use of penergetic products.

Sample identification	soil pH	sulfur (ppm)
Field 2 – 2011	8.1	7
Field 2 – 2014	7.3	8
Field 2 – 2016	6.8	20
Field 6 – 2011	8.3	9
Field 6 – 2014	7.2	9
Field 6 – 2016	6.8	27

All of the soil samples were taken in the fall of each year. Tested at Midwest Laboratories Omaha, NE.



**left:** Sept. 2016 – after 1 year of penergetic g/k use with no agitation since May 2016. Aerobically activated liquid dairy manure. Nutrients are in an organically bound form = no risk to the groundwater.  
**right:** Field 6 on 17.09.2016: An example of a healthy, loose soil with good air, water and nutrient exchange.

*“Through the use of the penergetic products, I am beginning to find significantly more earthworms and signs of life in our soils.”*

Matthew Willenbring

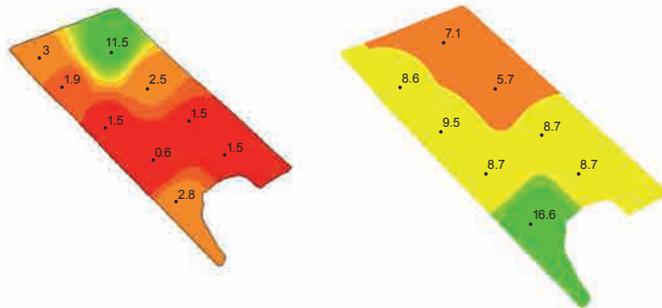
## Fertile soil without phosphorus even after five years of cultivation

**Development of soil fertility of the Fazenda Boa Fè by the use of penergetic b and p**  
The Farm Boa Fè goes into the 14<sup>th</sup> harvest without phosphorus fertilization. The remaining nutrients are used as required. The productivity of the farm is comparable to that of the neighbours. The fields are alternately used for soya and corn. On these fields, hay has been cultivated two times in the intermediate harvest as winter food for the cattle.

### Levels of phosphor

left: 2010 (Averages of 3,06mg/dm<sup>3</sup>)  
right: 2015 (Averages of 9,20mg/dm<sup>3</sup>)

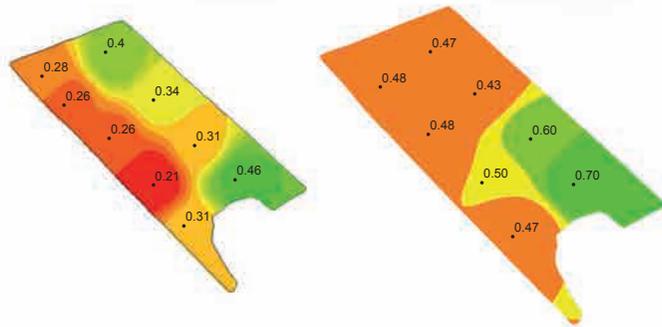
2010 mg/dm <sup>3</sup>	2015 mg/dm <sup>3</sup>
0.60 – 1.64	lower than 5.70
2.34 – 3.32	5.70 – 8.42
4.69 – 6.21	8.43 – 11.15
7.79 – 9.32	11.16 – 13.88
10.53 – 11.50	13.89 – 16.60



### Levels of potassium

left: 2010 (Averages of 0,32cmolc/dm<sup>3</sup>)  
right: 2015 (Averages of 0,52cmolc/dm<sup>3</sup>)

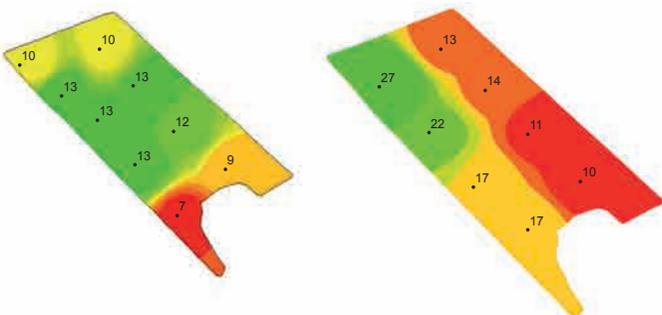
2010 mg/dm <sup>3</sup>	2015 mg/dm <sup>3</sup>
0.21 – 0.24	lower than 0.43
0.27 – 0.30	0.43 – 0.49
0.32 – 0.35	0.50 – 0.56
0.38 – 0.41	0.57 – 0.63
0.44 – 0.46	0.64 – 0.70



### Levels of sulfur

left: 2010 (Averages of 11,07mg/dm<sup>3</sup>)  
right: 2015 (Averages of 16,38mg/dm<sup>3</sup>)

2010 mg/dm <sup>3</sup>	2015 mg/dm <sup>3</sup>
7.00 – 7.39	10.00 – 12.05
8.05 – 8.77	12.06 – 14.93
9.58 – 10.33	14.94 – 17.80
10.99 – 11.71	17.81 – 20.68
12.46 – 13.00	20.69 – 23.56
—	23.57 – 27.00



## Poor yields on alkaline soils have been transformed into productive fields

Nothing of value had grown on this land in southern Alberta in the past 30+ years: yet, it has been used for a little cattle grazing. Historically, some koshia (an alkaline soil pH tolerant invasive weed) has been about the only thing that has grown on this ground.



Before: typical alkaline soil

**penergetic b converts a non-productive alkaline field into producing alfalfa field in just 12 month.**

### Treatment

- August 2015:  
800gr/ac (2kg/ha) penergetic b
- Spring 2016:  
300gr/ac (750gr/ha) penergetic b
- » *Note: No penergetic p has been applied!*

### Results

- Field previously planted in alfalfa, cut in late July 2016
- Yield: 1 mt/ac = 2.5mt/ha!
- » *penergetic b made this formerly alkaline field productive!*



After: see the difference

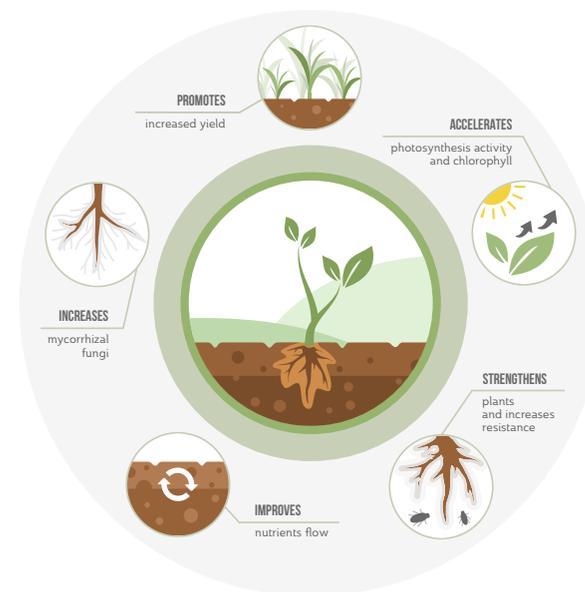
# Plants penergetic p

*Plant growth depends largely on the health of the soil and the fertilizer that is used. A good and healthy quality of the product ensures an optimal agricultural cycle for the benefit of animals and humans.*

penergetic p is used as a plant tonic. The product has a stabilizing effect on plant growth and strengthens the immune system of the plants. This reduces susceptibility to diseases and pest infestation. Additional benefit is the stimulation of microbiology in the root area and the increase of the plant's natural nutrient uptake. Plants become more resistant and through that show a better productivity.

### **Benefits**

- Improved assimilation of nutrients
- Stimulates plant growth
- Increases mycorrhizal fungi
- Strengthens plants
- Reduction of fertilizer
- Accelerates chlorophyll and photosynthesis activity
- Improved yield and enhanced crop quality
- Increased stress resistance
- Activates the symbiosis of soil-root-plant
- Stabilisation of the biological optimum for plants
- Works synergistically with other agri-inputs



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## Performance of the Penergetic Technology in soybean

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**The Penergetic Technology operates in soil and plant bioactivation with the potential to promote positive effects on plant vitality.**

With the use of penergetic, some authors found positive results in the reduction of inputs, indicating a better use of existing fertility, better release and utilization of nutrients to plants and existing natural resources,

consequently the increase in crop productivity. In this sense, the purpose of the work was to evaluate the performance of Penergetic Technology in soybean production in the crop of 2015/16.

### Material and methods

For the performance of the test, the following treatments were evaluated:

**Table 1:** Description of the treatments used in the test (Rio Verde/GO, crop of 2015/16)

Treatment	Dose of penergetic products	Application time
1 Standard fertilizer (100% mineral fertilizer)	–	–
2 Fertilizer adjusted (50% mineral fertilizer)	–	–
3 Zero fertilizer (0% mineral fertilizer)	–	–
4 Standard fertilizer + 250gr/ha penergetic b* + 250gr/ha penergetic p**	250gr penergetic b / 2 x 125gr penergetic p	Dry/V3–V4/ 15 – 20 days after first application
5 fertilizer adjusted + 250gr/ha penergetic b + 250gr/ha penergetic p	250gr penergetic b / 2 x 125gr penergetic p	Dry/V3–V4/ 15 – 20 days after first application
6 Zero fertilizer + 250gr/ha penergetic b + 250gr/ha penergetic p	250gr penergetic b / 2 x 125gr penergetic p	Dry/V3–V4/ 15 – 20 days after first application

\* penergetic b – 250gr/ha applied before sowing, with desiccation management (single dose application).

\*\* penergetic p – 250gr/ha divided into two applications, whereas: 125gr/ha applied to V3–V4 and 125gr/ha applied to the 15 to 20 days after the first application.

Applications made with CO<sub>2</sub> pressurized precision pulverizer, using 150 lt/ha of syrup.

All cultural treatments were carried out according to the technical indication for the crop, and according to the schedule of the farm, except for the fertilization that followed the treatments. To perform the test, it was used to cultivate soybean the Nidera 7000, in the commercial area of central pivot, the Fontes do Saber Farm, belonging to the University of Rio Verde (UniRV). The evaluations were carried out in plots of 22.5m<sup>2</sup>, representing 9 planting lines by 5m in length. For the harvest, four central lines were used for 4m in length, in a completely randomized design with four repetitions. In order to avoid influence among the treatments, a distance of 20m was used between the plots.

During the crop cycle, the following evaluations were carried out: soil analysis, performed before planting, at depths of 0–10cm, 10–20cm and 20–40cm; root volume by water displacement in full flowering; dry mass of the area and root in the R1/R2 stage; average rate of chlorophyll in stage R1/R2; number of nodules at 30 days after emergence; average height of the plants in the stage R1/R2 and at harvest and grain yield. The grain yield was adjusted to 13% moisture and calculated at sc/ha<sup>-1</sup>. All data of the analyzed variables were submitted to analysis of variance and average test (Tukey to 5% of probability) to obtain the final results.

### Results and discussion

The average height of plants in R1/R2 was higher in plots that received the Penegetic Technology, with 72.62cm. The height of plants in the plots without penegetic application were similar regardless of fertilization. The plots that did not receive mineral fertilization (0% fertilization) showed higher plant height, both in the general average and with the application of penegetic, with 79.05cm (Table 2)

The plots fertilized with penegetic presented higher chlorophyll index, in relation to plots without penegetic (Table 2). Possibly, the higher the chlorophyll index, the higher the N and Mg content in the leaf. The dry mass of the soybean root in R1/R2 didn't show any difference between treatments and the application or not of penegetic (Table 2). Results similar to those obtained from the root volume (Table 2). The dry mass of the aerial part of the plants at R1/R2 was higher in the plots without application of penegetic and the fertilization that presented the highest dry mass of the aerial part was with 50% of the mineral fertilization (Table 2).

The number of nodes in the R1/R2 stage was similar in all plots where there was application of penegetic. However, in plots that did not receive penegetic, the number of nodules was higher, and the soybean of the part that was not fertilized had the highest number of nodules per plant, 39.6 (Table 2). The plant height at harvest (116 days after sowing) was higher in plots that received the Penegetic Technology, with 64.85cm. The height of plants in the plots without penegetic application were similar regardless of fertilization. Inferring that the penegetic interfered positively in the final height of plants (Figure 1). The plots that did not receive mineral fertilization (0% A.M.) presented higher plant height, regardless of whether they received penegetic or not (Figure 1). The height results of plants at the time of harvest were similar to the evaluation of the height of plants in R1/R2 in the first evaluation of the test (Table 2). The treatment with 100% of mineral fertilizer and penegetic presented the highest grain yield (74sc/ha), 11% more in relation to the treatment that did not receive penegetic (66sc/ha), as can be seen in Figure 1.

**Table 2:** Evaluation parameters R1/R2 stage

Treatments	Plant height			Chlorophyll Index		
	w/o penegetic	with penegetic	average	w/o penegetic	with penegetic	average
100% fertilizer	69.05	68.15 B	68.60 AB	43.2	44.42	43.81
50% fertilizer	63.15	70.65 B	66.90 B	43.67	44.97	44.32
0% fertilizer	64.25	79.05 A	71.65 A	43.02	45.1	44.06
Average	65.48 b	72.62 a	69.05	43.30 b	44.83 a	44.07
CV (%)	4.65			3.9		

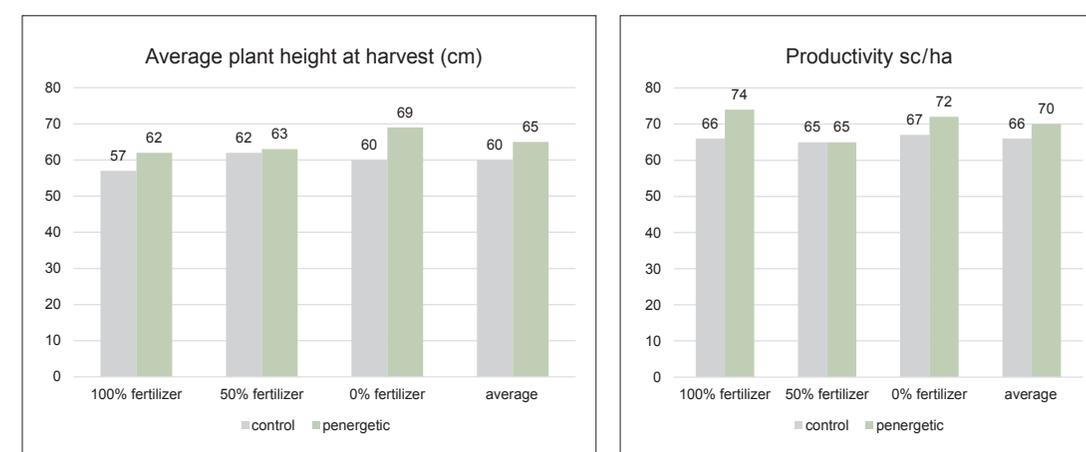
  

Treatments	Dry matter of root (g/plant)			Dry matter of plant (g/plant)		
	w/o penegetic	with penegetic	average	w/o penegetic	with penegetic	average
100% fertilizer	16.4	14.4	15.3	23.2 B	23.46 B	23.4 B
50% fertilizer	17.8	15.8	16.8	30.6 A	24.5 A	27.5 A
0% fertilizer	14	14.1	14.2	23.9 B	19.7 AB	21.8 B
Average	16.1 a	14.8 a	15.5	25.9 a	22.6 b	24.2
CV (%)	13.85			10.07		

Treatments	Root volume (ml /plant)			Number of nodules per plant		
	w/o penegetic	with penegetic	average	w/o penegetic	with penegetic	average
100% fertilizer	5.37	6.19	5.78	28.7 B	19.4	24.0 b
50% fertilizer	7.25	6.5	6.87	26.8 B	21.9	24.3 b
0% fertilizer	6.62	5.82	6.12	39.6 A	23.8	31.7 a
Average	6.42 a	6.1 a	6.26	31.7 a	21.7 b	26.7
CV (%)	21.34			13.21		

**Figure 1:** Height average of plants at harvest and productivity



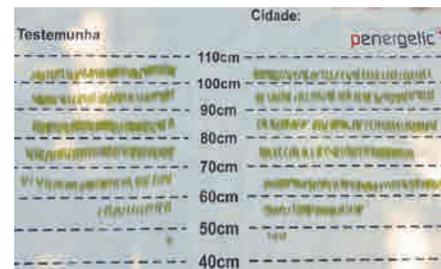
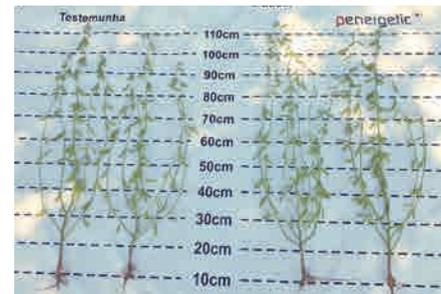
### Conclusion

The use of bioactivators of soils (penegetic b) and plants (penegetic p) in the soybean crop promoted greater homogeneity in the plant stand; largest population of plants per hectare; higher plant height; higher chlorophyll content and higher grain yield.

*Some user photos concerning  
the effect of penergetic p*



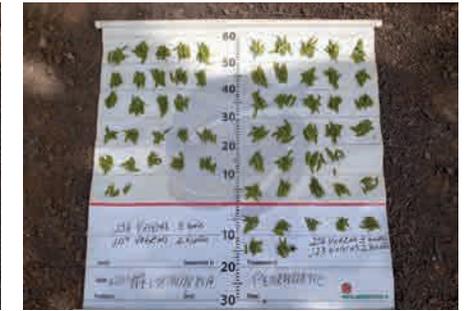
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## Optimized corn growth with increased stalk diameter and more cobs

Silage corn is an important agricultural crop feed to livestock in the United States and elsewhere. Silage corn grown with penergetic shows many advantages.

Remarkable results his first year make WA State corn grower a true believer in using penergetic products.

The first time Peter Gines, a corn grower (Outlook, WA) used penergetic he ended up calling his local penergetic dealer, mid-July and said: "I think I might have the tallest corn in the valley! You better get out her." From that phone call until harvest (mid-September) the results of the penergetic treated corn vs. control were truly impressive.



Size and quality of cobs



July 21<sup>st</sup>: Gines penergetic corns >11 feet (>3m) tall

### Treatments

First year of use only 3.5oz/ac (250gr/ha) penergetic p. After the dramatic results the grower experienced the first year he has become a regular penergetic user by increasing his use onto more acreage and now using the full penergetic program like below:

- 200gr/ac (500gr/ha) penergetic b soil treatment
- 100gr/ac (250gr/ha) penergetic p seed treatment
- 100gr/ac (250gr/ha) penergetic p 2 – 6 leaf stage
- 100gr/ac (250gr/ha) penergetic p ear formation (optional)

## Roots and stalk diameter one month before harvest



Comparison in all pictures: treated (left) and control (right)



### Results (all one month before harvest)

- Significantly larger roots and brace roots
- Greater diameter of corn stalks (approx. 20% larger)
- Size difference of the corn ears and approx. 6 times more stalks with 2 ears
- Bigger cobs, 13% more and bigger kernels
- 100% pollination in penergetic treated corn
- 7 mt/acre (15.9mt/ha) more corn yielded (treated vs. untreated)

*"I've never had corn this good on July 21<sup>st</sup> and at harvest penergetic caused a major difference in yield."*

Peter Gines, Outlook, WA

## Effects of penergetic applications on corn with different quantity of fertilizer

Sri Lanka is not only known for its Ayurveda medicine and tea. The country has also a rich agriculture. In order to prove the effectiveness of the penergetic products, a test was carried out in corn.



### Comparison in corn with different applications and fertilizer combinations

**Variety:** Jet 999

**Trial duration:** 110 days

**Plot size:** 2,000 m<sup>2</sup>

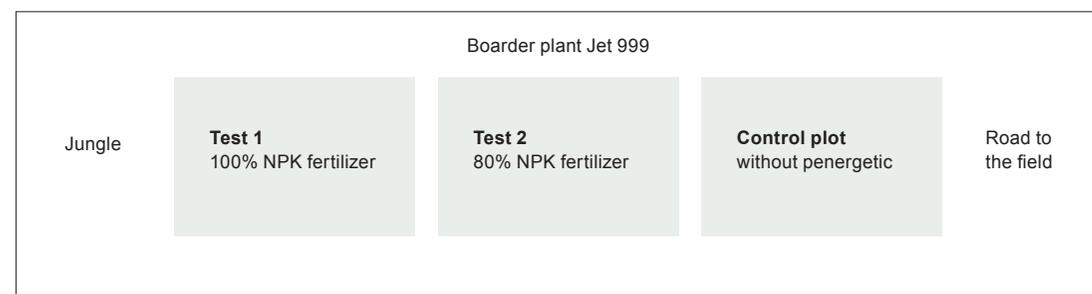
**Plant spacing:** 60x30cm

**NPK fertilizer:** 100% in Test 1 & control and 80% in Test 2

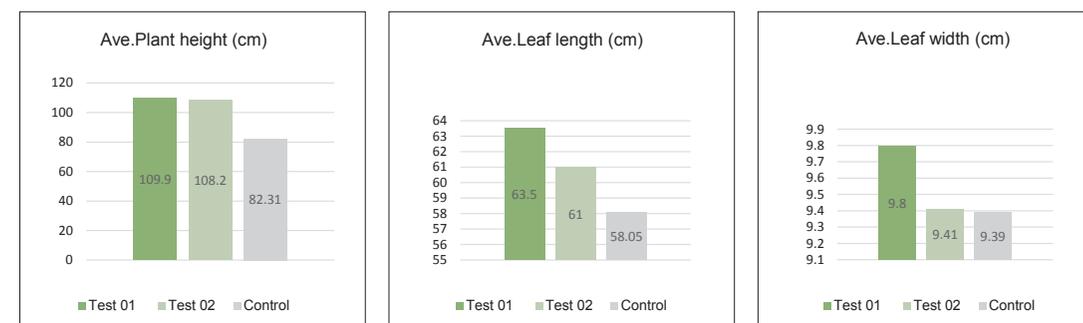
Both Test 1 and Test 2 were treated with the same quantities of penergetic:

- **penergetic b:** 1 application of 60gr, 3 weeks before seeding
- **penergetic p:** 3 applications of 40gr

### Trial Design – Complete block design



### Plant growth parameters two months after planting



left: Seedlings two weeks after planting control (left), penergetic b (right)

right: Seedlings 50 days after planting control (left), penergetic b & p (right)

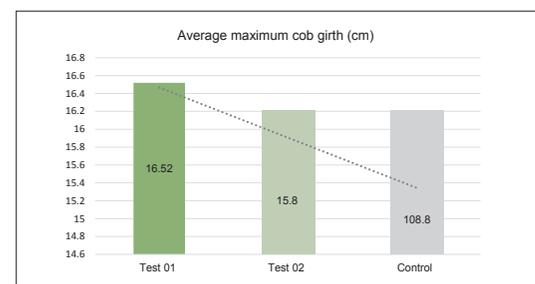
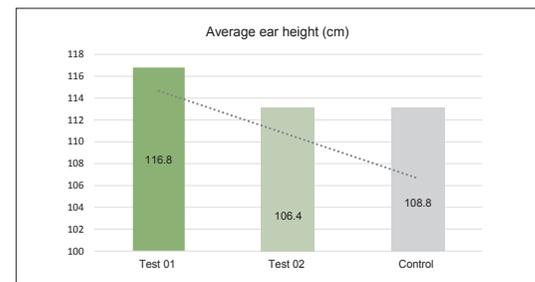
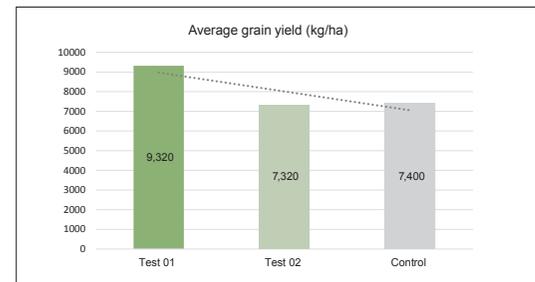
### Agronomic characters

Agronomic characters	Test 1 (100% NPK) + penergetic	Test 2 (NPK 80%) + penergetic	Control
Average grain yield (kg/ha)	9,320	7,320	7,400
Days to harvest	110	110	110
Average plant height (cm) – 2WAP	6.3	6.1	5.9
One month after planting	56.97	52	47.7
Average ear height (cm)	116.8	106.4	108.8
Average cob length (cm)	19.8	18.8	18.3
Average maximum cob girth (cm)	16.52	15.8	15.4
Number of seed rows	14	14	14
1000 grain weight (gr)	301	298	270
Seed colour	Orange	Orange	Orange
Pest and disease (Sheath blight/stem borer)	No pest found	No pest found	No pest found

**Note:** Plant height was taken by collar region of the plant to upper most bud of the plant. Leaf length and leaf width was taken by 2<sup>nd</sup> leaf from upper most bud.



left: penergetic treated  
right: control

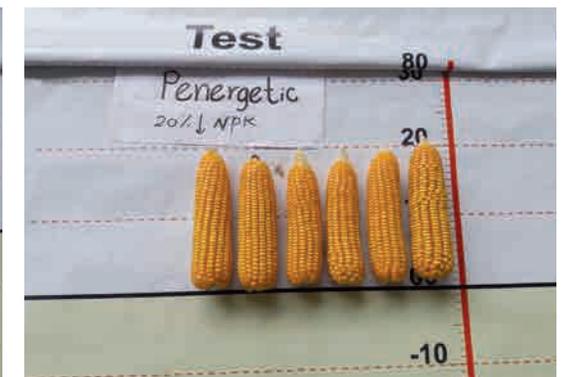
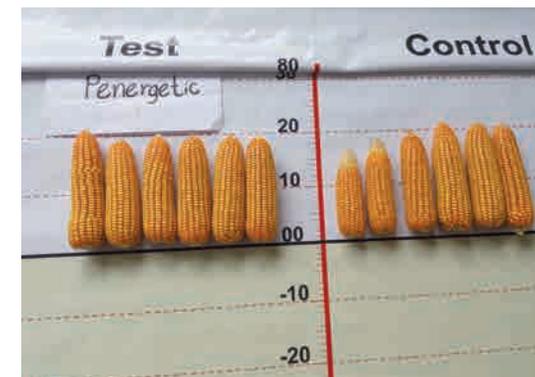


The graphs are showing the effect of the penergetic application in conjunction with fertilizer. All graphs give the signs, that 100% fertilizer and penergetic products give the best result.

### Yield comparison – 10 cobs



left: Test 1 – treated with penergetic b & p with 100% NPK 1.684gr/10 cob (12% moisture)  
middle: Test 2 – treated with penergetic b & p, 20% less NPK 1.329gr/10 cob (12% moisture)  
right: Control – non treated with penergetic 1.342gr/10 cob (12% moisture)



Test and control cobs were selected randomly, harvested 5m x 5m area in each plot.

left: Test 1 – 100% NPK and control

right: Test 2 – 80% NPK

### Conclusion

According to the results Test 1 showed considerable yield increase towards the control and the Test 2 (20% with respect to the control plot). However, Test 2 showed yield reduction with respect to the control.

Test 1 showed highest cob length, cob girth and grain weight than the Test 2 and control. However, Test 2 was the lowest. Therefore we can conclude that there is positive impact for plant growth by using penergetic treatment but reduction of fertilizer such as NPK 20% lead to yield and growth reduction.

## Differences between penergetic treated and untreated (control) corn are clearly visible

*Better development and higher corn yields. These are just two of the advantages found in the use of penergetic p in corn.*

**Treatment of corn variety "Maizex"**

**CHU Range:** 2,400 – 2,500

**Date of seeding:** Mai 22, 2015

**Date of comparison:** August 12, 2015

**Harvest:** scheduled for early September, 2015

### Summary Introduction

- Comparative cob weigh tests showed penergetic treated cobs to be 15% to 20% heavier (on average) 3 to 4 weeks before harvest.
- Cobs from penergetic treated corn appear healthier and more robust.
- Kernels are more uniform in size.

### Facts and figures

**Control:** GSP (Grower Standard Practice): 225lbs/ac (252kg/ha) with 9-40-9 + micros

**penergetic treated:** GSP 225lbs/ac with 9-40-9 + micros + 200gr/ac (=500gr/ha) penergetic b (applied with fertilizer).

Seed treatment: 100gr/ac (=250gr/ha) penergetic p.

Applied with Roundup: 100 ml/ac (=250ml/ha) penergetic p molasses

### Results

- Increased yield
- Higher quality (kernel size and shape, more uniformity, cob weight)



August 19, 2015: Control (left side) and penergetic treated (right side)

### Comparison photos August 12, 2015



Above: control  
Below: penergetic treated



Left: control  
Right: penergetic treated



Left: control  
Right: penergetic treated

*"Once I cut the headland", the difference in the development and height of the penergetic treated portion (compared to the control) readily became apparent. Fantastic!"*

Mark Van Klei, Rosedale, B.C. (Canada)

\* The front rows of corn planted perpendicular to the main field.

## penergetic p demonstrates strong residual effect on perennial crops

**“A picture is worth a thousand words.”**  
In this aerial view of alfalfa crop in Central California the advantage of using penergetic p is clearly evident.

Historically, the east field (lower right hand side) has always outperformed the west field (upper left hand side). However, as evidenced by this aerial photo, since starting to apply penergetic p, the westerly (penergetic-treated) field now outperforms the easterly (control) field.

### penergetic rate

penergetic p molasses at 3.5 fl.oz/ac (250ml/ha)

### Application schedule

Applied after 5<sup>th</sup> cut

This picture was taken when the 7<sup>th</sup> cut of alfalfa was still in the field. In other words, this was the second cut since penergetic p was applied, yet there is still a clearly visual difference in crop volume between where penergetic was previously applied. As experienced elsewhere, this provided clear evidence that in the case of perennial crops (such as alfalfa) that penergetic application can have a residual effect – meaning its efficacy can last longer than one crop (or cut).



**Aerial view from drone**  
penergetic treated (left side) and control (right side)

## penergetic use exceed expectation in terms of quality and yield

**Alfalfa is an important silage crop grown in North America. Be it a conventional or organic crop; under irrigation or dryland, penergetic use on alfalfa has consistently shown terrific results both in terms of an increase in yield and quality.**

Silica Ridge Farm in Eastern Washington State an organic alfalfa crop is grown under irrigation. Quality alfalfa hay is for the export market.

The 160 acres (64ha) were treated with

- penergetic b molasses 3.5 fl.oz/ac (250ml/ha) and
- penergetic p molasses 3.5 fl.oz/ac (250ml/ha)

Also retained 20 acres (8ha) untreated (as control). Note: Several core samples were pulled by the grower from both the treated and untreated bales and sent to lab for analysis. Tonnage results were also compiled.

### Comparative Results

Component	Untreated	penergetic treated	Difference in %
Moisture %	13.1	12.4	5.3% lower
ADF %	30.5	24.9	18.4% lower
NDF %	40.3	29.4	27.1% lower
Crude Protein %	19.6	24.5	25.0% higher
RFV %	150.0	220.0	46.7% higher
Yield (tons/acre)	1.75	2.21	26.2% more



*“As recommended by Reed, my penergetic adviser, to properly evaluate the effectiveness of the penergetic products on my alfalfa, we retained a 20 acre section of the same pivot that was untreated (meaning no penergetic used). I got our farm crew to walk out in the field to see if they could observe any differences between the two sections. It was obvious – even to the naked eye – in the penergetic treated portion the plants were much thicker and had fuller growth than in the untreated section. Based on the visual differences, it seemed likely the component analysis and yield monitoring would further confirm things. When the results came back they exceeded my expectations – both in terms of quality and yield. As a result, I’ve decided to implement the penergetic program over our entire farm (about 1,200 acres). It’s simply too effective and has such a high ROI it wouldn’t make sense not to.”*

Jared Omlin, owner/operator, Silica Ridge Farms

## Evaluation for the use of penergetic products in potatoes

Potatoes are a basic foodstuff cultivated worldwide. Various combinations of penergetic products and organic fertilizers were evaluated to respond to the requirement for organic farming.

Trial run in South Africa's Western Cape region on potatoes (var. Mondeals). We are using a spray programme for foliar fertilization containing penergetic p Bentonite. The control is the regular spray programme usually used on the farm. Our trial programme is done at a cost about 20% of that of the control spray programme. Soil fertilizers were the same for both control and test.

### Variety: Mondeals

Yield in mt/ha: Test 67mt, Control 58mt, regional norm 55–60mt

### Results

- + 15% yield
- - 80% costs for spraying programme (foliar)
- Bigger plants
- Thicker stalks
- More and bigger tubers

### Spray programme for the trial area

Plant stage	Application	Product	Dosage/ha
80% emergence	Blister pulverizer	Herbali	1lt
		GroStim	1lt
		penergetic p	200gr
Week 2	Blister pulverizer	Herbali	500ml
		GroStim	1lt
		penergetic p	200gr
Week 4	Blister pulverizer	GroStim	1lt
Week 6	Blister pulverizer	GroStim	1lt
		Cal-Up	1lt
Week 8	Blister pulverizer	Cal-Up	1lt
Week 10	Blister pulverizer	Cal-Up	1lt



Uitvlug (Variety: Mondeals) Week 4  
 Control (left side) and penergetic treated (right side)



### Differences in stem thickness

left: control  
 right: penergetic treated

### Remarks / Conclusion

We ran a few trial before and found that our best results are obtained by using penergetic p during the early stages of crop growth. No more penergetic was given after week 4 (but GroStim contains some penergetic p molasses).

The use of herbicides and pesticides remained the same as that was not part of the criteria for the study. We were interested in getting a better result for cheaper. penergetic was part of a cheaper program providing way better results than the more expensive program.

## Province of Quebec, good results achieved for late potato varieties on various farms

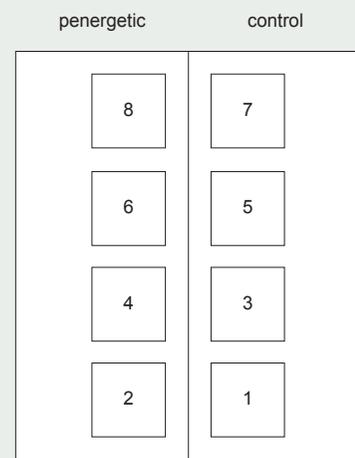
The province of Quebec is one of the largest area in Canada where potatoes are growing. In this test the effectiveness of penergetic products in potato cultivation have been determined.

Various farms through the Province of Quebec were involved in this trial series. All farms had a control and a test field (the penergetic field was 8ha/20ac in size). With the exception of adding the penergetic protocol the control and the penergetic treated sections were identical in terms of quality of the land/soil, variety, other inputs, etc.

At harvest, using the FCI Canada official testing method of evaluation, potatoes were dug up from four 3m (10 feet) length of a sample row from both the control and penergetic field areas. This data was then used to calibrate the yield per acre in terms of hundredweight (cwt) – which is 100 pounds of potatoes. The results are summarized in the table “yield comparison”; whereas, the following pages provide more farm specific details.

### Methodology

- Even horizon for control / penergetic
- Even number of plants, on 10 linear feet
- Each sample is weighed individually
- Official method for FCI Canada



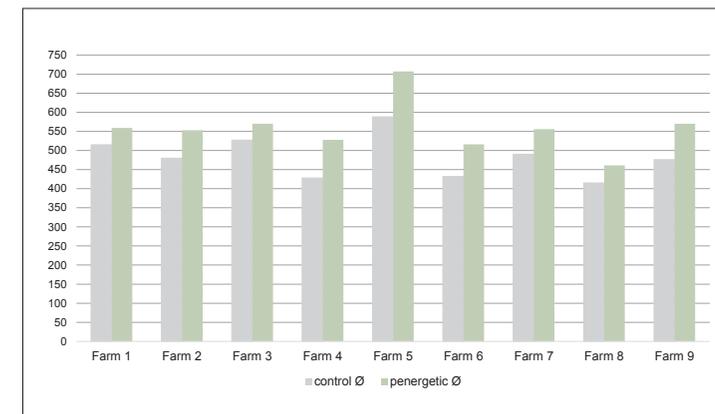
### Treatments

Penergetic	Soil treatment	Seed treatment	Foliar application	Remarks
	acre (ha)	acre (ha)	acre (ha)	
penergetic b	300gr/acre (750gr/ha)			Soil treatment can be mixed with herbicide, NOP or other products. Apply 15 days before seeding. Can be applied in Autumn.
penergetic p		100gr/acre (250gr/ha) in the furrow		Can be used with other products on seed. Inoculate 100gr/ac (250gr/ha) in the furrow.
penergetic p	at first leaves		100gr/acre (250gr/ha)	Can be mixed with NPK, foliar fertilizer or farm chemicals. Reduce fertilizer use by 20%.
penergetic p	at beginning of flowering		100gr/acre (250gr/ha)	Can be mixed with NPK, foliar fertilizer or farm chemicals. Reduce fertilizer use by 20%.

### Results in yield

Farm	Location	Potato variety	cwt/ac difference	% difference to control
1 Rondeau	Lanoraie	AC Chaleur	+44	+9%
2 Rondeau	Lanoraie	Goldrush	+73	+16%
3 Fiset	Lyster	Norland	+43	+8%
4 Réal Pinsonneault & fils	Napierville	Murdoch	+100	+23%
5 Réal Pinsonneault & fils	Napierville	Vivaldi	+119	+22%
6 Isabel	Napierville	Belmont	+84	+20%
7 Anonymous	Ste-Eulalie	Goldrush	+66	+14%
8 Valupierre	Ile d'Orléan	Murdoch	+46	+11%
9 MGE Ouellet	Rivière du Loup	Russet	+94	+21%
<b>Average</b>			<b>+74.33</b>	<b>+16%</b>

### Yield comparison all farms (cwt/ac)

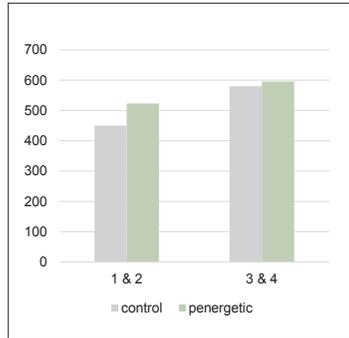


For this comparison the average of the samplings of each control and penergetic fields per farm was taken.

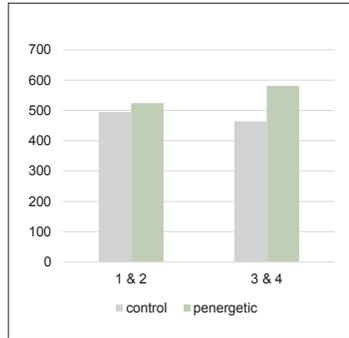
## Results and photos of the fields

General note: Best results have been achieved with all kind of late potatoes, for penergetic has more time to work well.

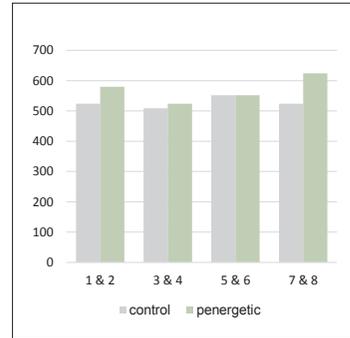
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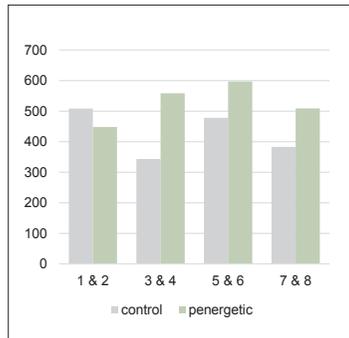
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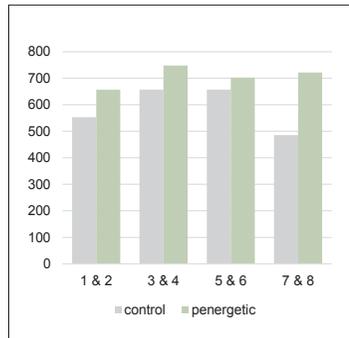
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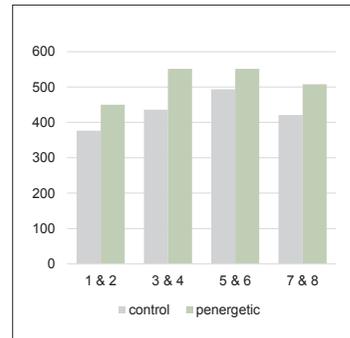
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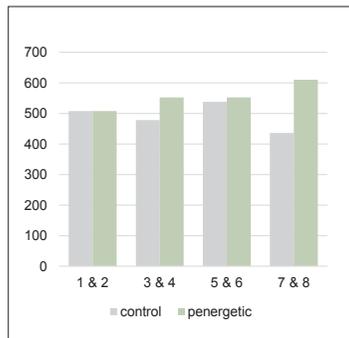
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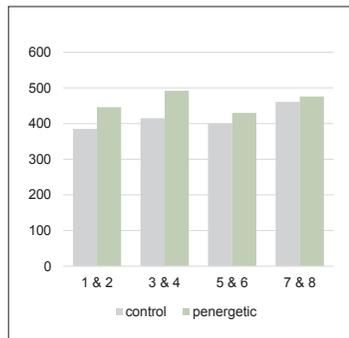
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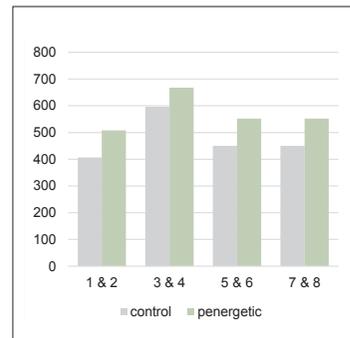
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9 Ferme MGE Ouellet, variety Russet



All photos are from penergetic fields:

- 1 Ferme Rondeau, variety AC Chaleur
  - 2 Ferme Rondeau, variety Goldrush
  - 3 Ferme Fiset, variety Norland
  - 4 Ferme Réal Pinsonneault & fils, variety Murdoch
  - 5 Ferme Réal Pinsonneault & fils, variety Vivaldi
  - 6 Ferme Isabel, variety Belmont
  - 7 Ferme anonyme, variety Goldrush
- Mr. Denis Dutil, expert in potatoes for over 50 years

## More yield, better quality and larger cherries with penergetic



Effect on productivity and quality in cherry orchards with the use of penergetic b and penergetic p as bio-stimulants for soil and plants.

### Dosage / Recommendations (same for both orchards)

Penergetic	Pre-treatment	Pre-flower	Flowering	Fruit set	Post-harvest	Observations
penergetic b	300gr/ha					Application to the soil at the beginning of the season. Can be combined with herbicide.
penergetic p		250gr/ha				Can be mixed with NPK or foliar fertilizers. Fertilization reduce of 20%. Can be mixed with herbicides.
penergetic p			200gr/ha			
penergetic p				200gr/ha		
penergetic b					300gr/ha	To improve the soil and composting of organic matter.

### Orchard 1, 2016

The evaluated treatments considered a control (T0) without application of the products to evaluate and a treatment (T1) with application of products to evaluate in an area of approximately 1.6 hectares. All the applications were made on the ridge with pulverizer and python aimed at the root zone.

**Location:** Reserva de Comalle, located in Comalle  
**Variety:** Cherry cv Royal Down  
**Start test:** August 2016  
**End test:** December 2016

## Results

### Fruit-bearing load, yield and productivity

Field	Fruit-bearing	
	Fruits/tree	Fruits/ASTT
T0	2,537	18.0
T1	2,449	15.0

Field	Yield and productivity		
	kg/tree	kg/ASTT	kg/ha
T0	18.9	0.13	16,818
T1	19.8	0.12	17,600

ASTT: trunk cross-sectional area

+ 782 kg/ha  
= 4.65%

### Quality of the fruit

Field	Mean fruit weight (grs)
T0	7.5
T1	8.2

+ 0.7 gr  
= 9.33%

Fruit weight

Field	Mean firmness (Lb)
T0	12.0
T1	11.9

Firmness

Field	Mean °BRIX
T0	15.6
T1	16.3

+ 0.7 gr  
= 4.49%

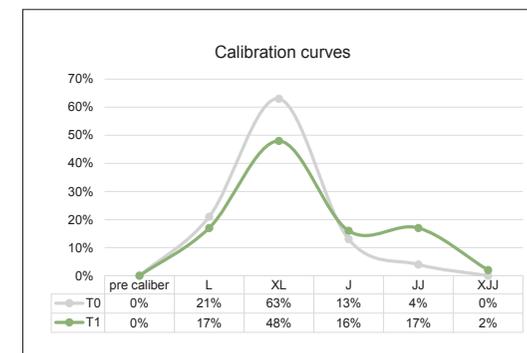
Soluble solids

### Results of the commercial evaluation of the products penergetic b and penergetic p

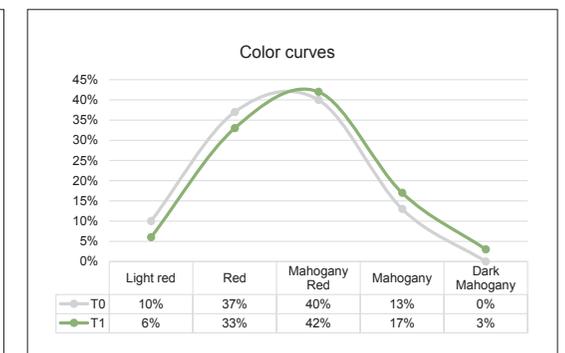
### Operational business benefits

Field	kg/ha	cost/kg	cost/ha	NP/ha	product cost/ha US\$	US\$/ha
T0	16,818	1.2	20,182	56,752	0	36,571
T1	17,600	1.2	21,120	66,177	51	45,006
Difference						8,435

### Calibration



### Color



## Orchard 2, 2017

The evaluated treatments considered a control (T0) without application of the products to evaluate and a treatment (T1) with application of products to evaluate in an area of approximately 0.5 hectares each. The plants were planted in 2014 with a distance of 4.25m x 2.3m to each other.

**Location:** Agrícola Montefrutal, sector La Higuera, community of Sagrada Familia  
**Variety:** Cherry cv Lapins  
**Start 2. test:** September 2017  
**End 2. test:** December 2017

## Results

Field	Yield		
	Fruit/plant	kg/plant	kg/ha
T0	1188	10.5	9,347
T1	1377	16.6	14,711

+ 5,364 kg/ha  
= 57.38%

## Fruit quality

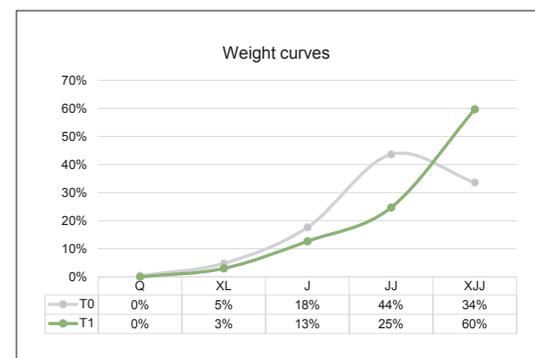
Field	Quality of fruit		
	Ø Weight in gram	Firmness DU	SS °Brix
T0	11.6	70.0	19.8
T1	12.5	75.1	18.6

+ 0.9 gr  
= 7.8%

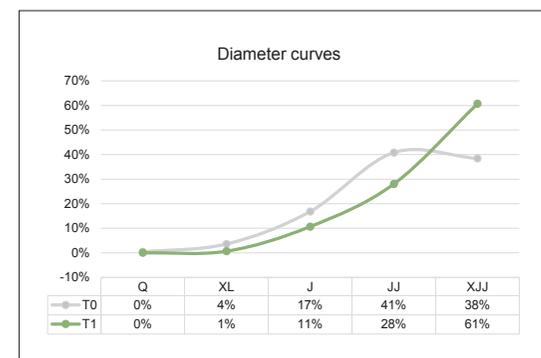
## Calibration curves

Weight and size					
Calibration	Q	XL	J	JJ	XJJ
Weight in gram	4.1-6.4	6.5-8.9	9.0-9.9	10.0-11.9	>12
Diameter in mm	22-24	24-26	26-28	28-30	>30

## Weight



## Diameter



These photos were taken in a farm in the area near Curicó where farmers are using penergetic



## Reduced nutrient loss and better nutrient uptake in rice cultivation

*Rice – another basic foodstuff all over the world. This report demonstrates the effectiveness of penergetic p in rice cultivation.*

**Measurement test of the effect of penergetic b and penergetic p in the cultivation of rice in the variety Lazarroz in Hacienda Mojica**  
Ing. Hernán Rodríguez A. 2016

### Final Report

This study is an effort to provide new tools in managing the cultivation of rice, as part of a commitment to give the farmer basic information for making decisions in the agronomic management of rice cultivation. The application of products that improve the efficiency of utilisation and absorption of the nutrition employed is becoming of vital importance, taking into account that fertilization is one of the highest-costing roubles in rice production. Fertilization is performed according to the phenological stages and for this it is done taking into account the number of leaves growing, where V3, V4 indicates the start of tillering, V5, V6 active tillering and V8, V9 the start of floral primordium, these being the stages in which fertilization is performed. In this way, the work is done according to the moments the plant requires it. Moreover, index concepts are integrated, which allow us to

evaluate and quantify methods for achieving greater efficiency of N applied and to be able to synchronise the fertilization with demand for the crop. To carry out this study, we relied on the support and supervision of an interdisciplinary team, consisting of Dr. Rafael Salas, a specialist in soils, and Dr. Juan Ramón Navarro, a specialist in agricultural statistics.

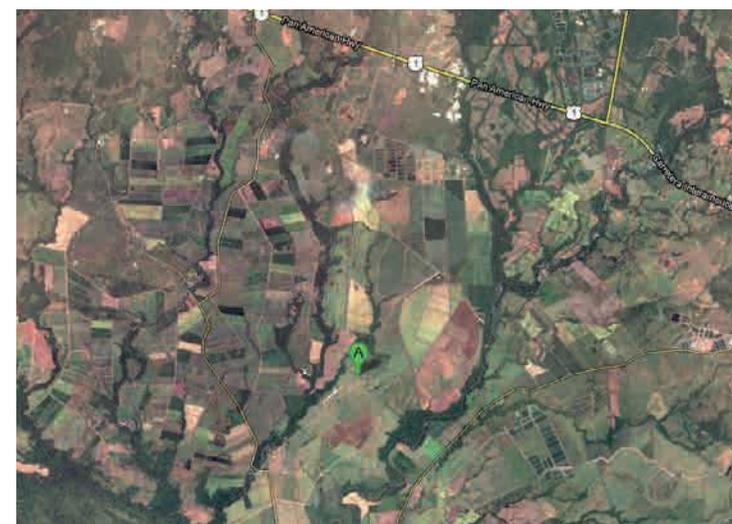
**Test of densities and increasing doses of nitrogen in two varieties of rice.**

### Location

The proposed test was performed in Hacienda Mojica, located in the province of Bagaces, Costa Rica, which is located between the coordinates: 10.41804-85.181063.



**Location of Hacienda Mojica**  
Bagaces, Guanacaste, Costa Rica



### Climate

#### Maximum and minimum temperatures

As can be seen in table 1, the maximum temperature during the period of the test was below 35°C, this being a critical value that can cause hollowing. Each degree of increase in temperature can cause up to 30% hollow grain. The minimum temperature is another very influential factor. Nocturnal temperatures should not be higher than 22°C; with each degree of increase, production can decrease by up to 15%. The tendency in the last few years has been towards an increase in minimum temperatures. This is presenting itself during this period, which has seen temperatures above 25°C. It is necessary to pay attention to it and to observe its impact on rice production and, even more so, on the selection of new materials. The rate of development of the crop is directly linked to the temperature, above a base temperature above which the crop grows until a maximum temperature is reached.

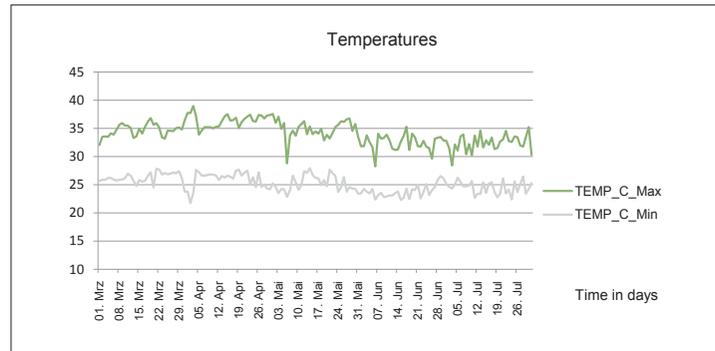
#### Maximum and minimum relative humidity

Table 2 shows the values of maximum and minimum relative humidity during the test. Relative humidity is linked to solar radiation, for which reason, in general, it is not taken into account for evaluating its influence on yields. Rather, its influence is indirect, determining the higher or lower presence of diseases. As can be seen and for the period in which the test was performed, the relative humidity values were favourable; hence, no diseases presented themselves.

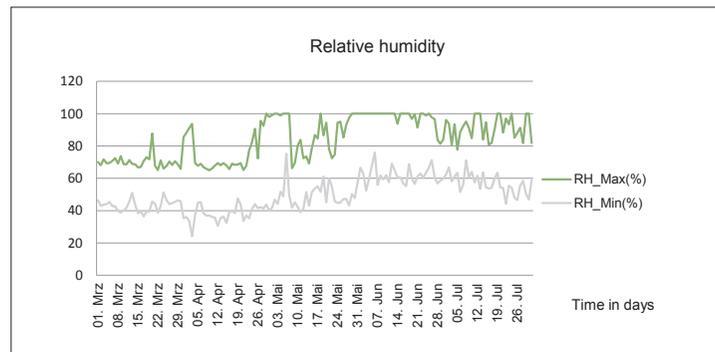
#### Precipitation

Precipitation has little direct impact on the growth and development of the crop; its effect is more indirect, influencing sowing opportunities. Moreover, with rice being a flooded crop, the influence of precipitation is low. This crop cycle was characterised by a year denominated Niño, with a pattern of little precipitation, as can be seen in table 3, in which the maximum precipitation was 39.6mm, with the aggregate amount for the period being 374.6mm.

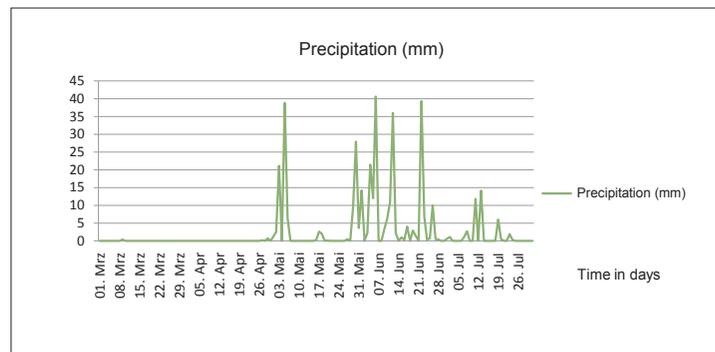
**Table 1**  
Maximum and minimum temperatures in ° C from 1/03/2016 to 31/07/2016



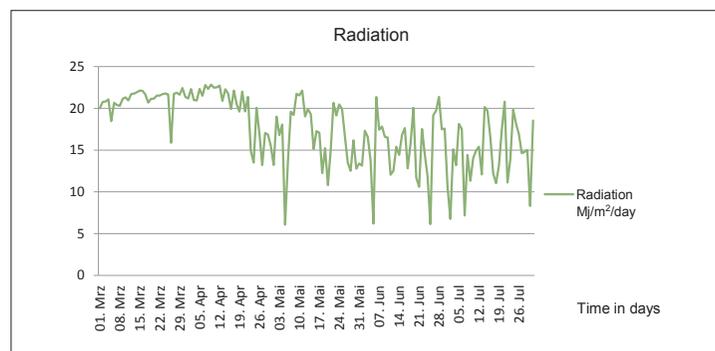
**Table 2**  
Graph of maximum and minimum relative humidity in the period from 01/03/2016 to 31/07/2016



**Table 3**  
Precipitation chart for the period from 01/03/2016 to 31/07/2016



**Table 4**  
Radiation in Mj/m<sup>2</sup>/day for the period 01/03/2016 to 31/07/2016



### Radiation

Solar radiation (table 4) is the climatic variable with the greatest effect on yields. Its effect is minor in the first stages of development. However, it is very strong in the reproductive stage (from differentiation of the primordium to the flowering period), affecting the number of grains per panicle.

### Test

To develop the study, the following protocol was used:

- Evaluation of the products penergetic b and penergetic p
- Variety: Lazarroz
- The experimental design used was that of simple random sampling without replacement
- Weights and germination tests
- 5 treatments and 5 repetitions were established
- Setup in the field (marking, sowing and fertilization)
- Evaluation of pests and diseases
- Application of fertilization in the corresponding periods
- Harvest

### Distribution of treatments in the test field

The experimental units were distributed in the field at random in order to follow the statistical model of simple random sampling without replacement.

**Table 5:** Distribution of treatments in test field

Treatment	Treatment
M1	Trichoderma + penergetic p (application 22 days after seeding)
M2	Farm witness (control)
M3	penergetic b in V2 + penergetic p in V4
M4	penergetic b in V2
M5	penergetic p in V4

penergetic b – 100gr Bentonite + 100ml Molasses  
penergetic p – 200ml Molasses

### Management of the test

#### Characteristics of the test soil

The test soil is classified as: Fluventic Ustropept

- Fluventic = alluvial plain
- Ust = Practical humidity pattern; the soil remains dry for 90 days or more consecutively
- Ept = Inceptisol, well defined soils with horizon

The soil analyses are presented in table 6.

As can be seen, the phosphorus is the element that presents a concentration far below the established critical value.

**Table 6:** Soil analysis Río Blanco plot

Concentration of elements in the soil															
Identification	pH	cmol (+) / l				Cationic ratios				mg / l					
		H <sub>2</sub> O	Ca	Mg	K	Ac. Int	CIC E	Ca / Mg	Ca / K	Mg / K	Ca + Mg / K	P	Cu	Fe	Mn
PLOT C10	5.7	12.6	4.91	0.29	0.16	18.0	2.58	43.6	16.9	29.59	2	11	61	62	4.8

#### Notes:

1. The units are expressed in m/vol (cmol(+)/L, %=g/100 ml, mg/L).

2. Procedure: pH in water, in soil: solution ratio 1:2.5; acidity, Ca and Mg in KCl 1M, 1:10; P, K, Zn, Fe, Mn and Cu in Olsen Modified (NaHCO<sub>3</sub> 0.5M, disodic EDTA 0.01M, Superfloc 127, pH 8.5), 1:10. Acidity by titling (CIA-SC09-01-02-P04)\*, P for Spectrophotometry UVV (CIA-SC09-01-02-P06)\* and the rest for Spectrophotometry of AA (CIA-SC09-01-02-P05)\*.

\* www.eca.or.cr (Laboratory of Soils and Foliage, Centre of Agronomic Studies, University of Costa Rica).

### Distribution and periods of application of the fertilizer

The periods and distribution of the fertilizer are shown in the following boxes

**Table 7:** Fertilizer applied per element

	Dosage	N	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	K <sub>2</sub> O	S	Stage
29.3 – 23.2 – 0	4	58.6	46.4			V4
18.6 – 14.7 – 13 – 6.6 (S)	6	55.8	44.1	45	19.8	V6
27.4 – 0 – 14.4 – 7.3 (S)	5.5	75.35		39.6	16.5	V9
		189.75	90.5	84.6	36.3	

The applications of fertilizer were performed in the periods described in table 8; the phenological stages were determined as key in the agronomic management of the rice.

**Table 8:** Percentage distribution of fertilizer per element per phenological stage.

Phenological Stage	Element: N	Element: P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Element: K <sub>2</sub> O
V3 – V4	31%	51%	0%
V6 – V7	30%	49%	53%
V8 – V9	39%	0%	47%

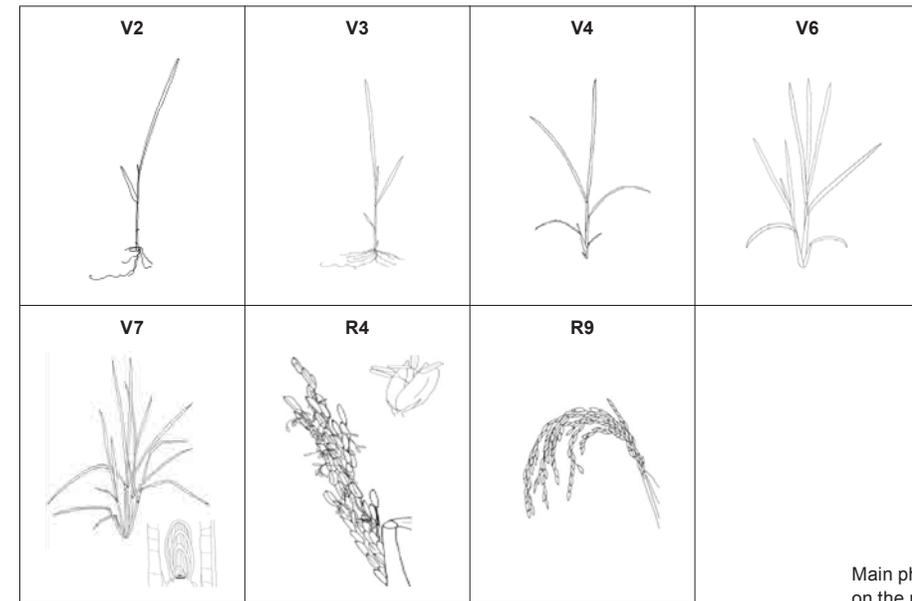
### Phenological stages in rice

The system of description of the stages of development allows better identification of the crop development. This provides a better tool for performing work such as fertilization at the time when the crop requires it. And not with the method of days often used by old-fashioned fertilization. This system, proposed by Counce, is based on the number of leaves, where S is denominated for the stages of seed germination, V for the leaves, the first complete leaf with the presence of a foliar necklace being on the main stem, and R for the panicle formation stage, initiating floral primordium until physiological maturity (Counce, 2003).

### Variety Lazarroz

Its main characteristics include:

- Average days to harvest: 115 to 120 days
- Intermediate tillering
- Moderately tolerant of flattening
- Average plant height 115 to 120cm
- Less than 10% hollowing
- Type of growth: semi-erect
- Low threshing
- Weight of a thousand grains: 27.7gr
- Long grain
- Entire grain 90%
- Mill yield 69%
- Entire yield 62%
- Amylose 29.7%
- White centre 0.8
- Good cooking (50 to 60 days)



Main phenological stages on the rice plant

### Evaluated products

The products that are going to be evaluated are:

- penergetic b
  - “*penergetic b* is a bio-stimulant developed in Switzerland whose objective is to increase and improve the biological activity of the soil. This makes it possible to make efficient use of organic resources such as stubble and other vegetal residues, as well as recycling nutrients in the soil and thus leaving them available for crop. *penergetic b* is an environmentally friendly and efficient product that achieves good results with low dosages. It is easy to use, as it can be combined with herbicides. It is a novel economic tool and efficient for keeping soil healthy”.
  - Tec. Adrian Gutiérrez. (2016)
  - Improves and accelerates the process of decomposition and mineralisation of the stubble, establishes a better balance of the

microorganisms of the soil, stimulates the formation of humus.

- penergetic p
  - A bio-stimulant developed in Switzerland with high technology whose objective is to promote vigorous and healthy development of crops. It manages to increase the productive potential of these by making better use of the resources available in the environment and of those supplied by man. An enhancer of growth, it increases the root mass, reduces the use of pesticides and fertilizers, increases the efficiency of consumables and improves the assimilation of nutrients by the plant.

## Results

The following tables show the data obtained from the samples sent to the soil laboratory of the UCR (CIA).

### Absorption in kg/ha in the different phenological stages

In **table 10**, it can be seen that treatment M5 is the one that had the highest absorption of nitrogen, with treatment M4 being the one with the lowest absorption. As is seen in table 10, after V6 there is a greater increase in the absorption of nitrogen. In **table 11**, it can be seen that treatment 5 is the one with the highest absorption of phosphorus and that treatment 4 is the one with the lowest, with a greater increase in absorption in all the treatments of stage V6 to R9. In **table 12**, treatment 5 is the one with the highest absorption of potassium and treatment 4 the one with the lowest absorption, with treatment 3 second in terms of absorption at 293.24 kg/ha. In **table 13**, all the treatments absorbed more nitrogen in grain than in biomass, with treatment 5 being the one with the highest absorption. In **table 14** it is shown that there is greater absorption of phosphorus in the biomass than in the grain in all the treatments, with treatment 5 being the one with the highest absorption and treatment 4 the one with the lowest. In **table 15**, it can be highlighted that the majority of the

potassium absorbed is in the straw and not in the grain. This indicates that it is found in high availability in the soil, since this absorption corresponds to the native elements and those added by the fertilizer. **Table 16**: The same trend is reflected as in the previous graphs, where treatment M5 is the one with the highest absorption and treatment M4 the one with the lowest absorption. **Table 17**: As shown in table 10, treatment 5 is the one that obtained the highest yield and treatment 4 the one with the lowest production.

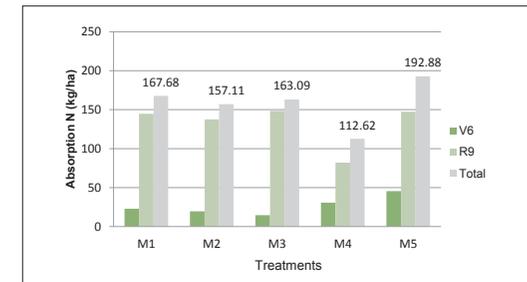
### Final conclusions

- As was seen in the previous charts, treatment 5, in which only penergetic p was used, was where the best results were achieved, both in production – 9.213kg/ha – and in absorption of all the nutrients analysed. This is described in the literature as one of its functions, the increase in efficiency in the absorption of nutrients and an increase in yields.
- Treatment 4, penergetic b, was the one with the lowest yield – 6134.67kg/ha. It also showed lower absorption of all the nutrients. The conclusion is that it will be necessary to evaluate this product in various cycles due to its mode of action.
- Establish these tests in the dry period to obtain clearer production data.

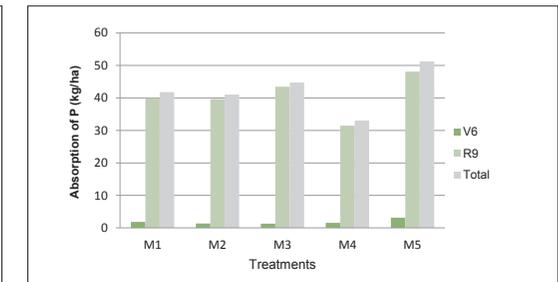
**Table 9:** Efficiency indices in nitrogenised fertilization in the test treatments

Treatment	Yield/ha	Grain/straw ratio	Harvest index	EI	FPP
M1	8,606.67	0.94	0.48	51.33	45.36
M2	7,684.00	0.95	0.49	48.91	40.50
M3	9,150.67	0.94	0.49	56.11	48.22
M4	6,134.67	0.93	0.48	54.47	32.33
M5	9,213.33	0.93	0.48	54.47	48.56
Suitable		0.70 – 0.80	0.45	≥ 50	50 – 60

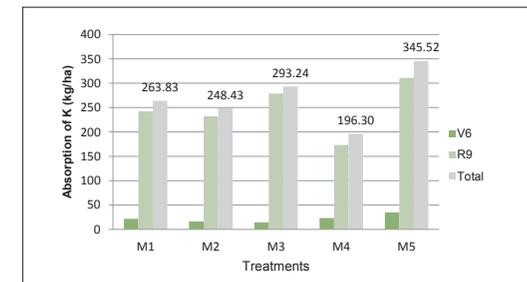
The results of the previous box indicate that for the harvest index, which is the ratio of the weight of the grain to the total biomass including the grain and the ratio of grain to straw, the values obtained for all the treatments are higher than the desired values.



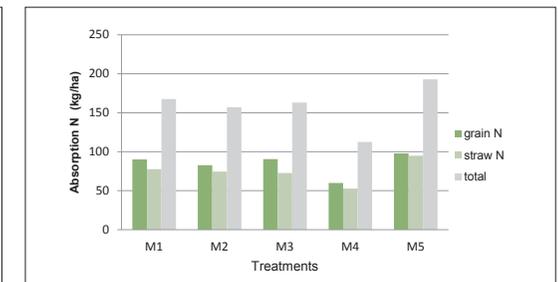
**Table 10** Absorption of nitrogen (kg/ha) in V6 and R9



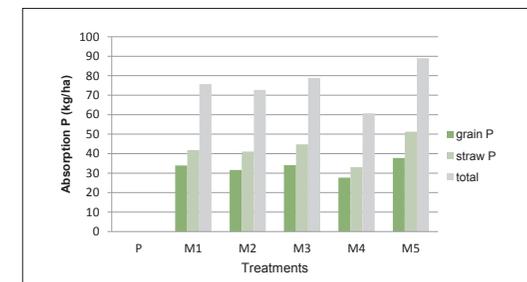
**Table 11** Average absorption of phosphorus kg/ha in V6 and R9



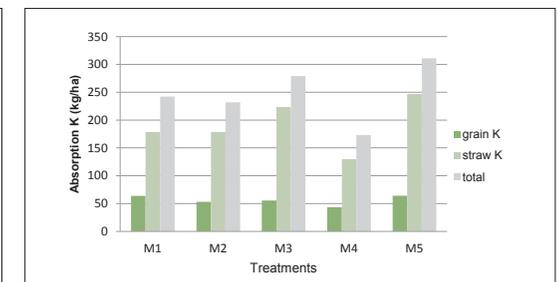
**Table 12** Average absorption of potassium (kg/ha) in V6 and R9



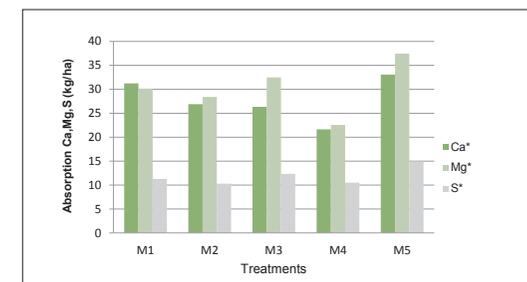
**Table 13** Absorption nitrogen in grain and straw in kilos per hectare



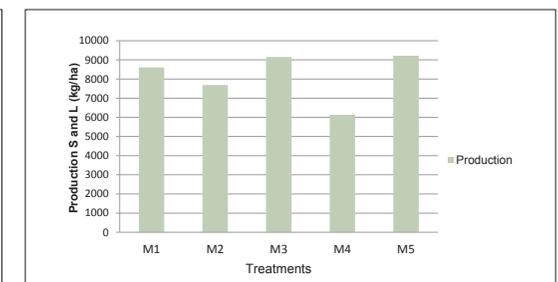
**Table 14** Absorption phosphorus in grain and straw in kilos per hectare



**Table 15** Absorption potassium in grain and straw in kilos per hectare



**Table 16** Total absorption Ca, Mg, S in kilos per hectare



**Table 17** Dry and clean production in kilos/ha per treatment

## Significant more first class carrots and less discards

Brazil is one of the largest agricultural producers. Not only soy beans, but also vegetables like carrots are cultivated. In various regions different varieties were used and evaluated in a 150-day cycle.



### Effect of penergetic p and penergetic b

in carrots: It lacks scientific and statistical rigor, being field works with objective results. The application of penergetic products provided

higher yields, more uniform and better carrot patterns for the market are still in the field.

### Farmer: Edio Pascal – Mauá da Serra/PR – Variety: Juliana

Table 1: Comparison of the productivity with and without penergetic

Treatments	Area (ha)	Date		Productivity in boxes/ha	
		Sowing	Harvest	Real	Relativ %
Standard fertilization	20	20.05.2013	06.01.2014	1,500 boxes	100
Standard fertilization + penergetic	12	20.05.2013	06.01.2014	1,845 boxes	123

+ 23%

Table 2: penergetic dosage

Treatments	Fertilizer at sowing		Topdressing	
	Formular	kg/ha	Formular	kg/ha
Standard fertilization	02 28 00	1,200	04 14 08	1,500
Standard fertilization + penergetic	02 28 00	1,200	04 14 08	1,500

penergetic b: 500g/ha pre-emerging, or preparation of the area  
penergetic p: 500g/ha post-emergence of culture, divided in 2 applications

### Conclusions

The investment with the Penergetic Technology was 23 boxes/ha, what represented a net income of 322 boxes of carrots/ha, with a cost of R\$ 15 per box. The profit of the Farmer was R\$ 4,830 per hectare



Comparison  
left: control / right: penergetic

### Farmer: Aparecido Mendes – Mauá da Serra/PR – Variety: Juliana

Table 3: Comparison of the productivity with and without penergetic

Treatments	Area (ha)	Date		Productivity in boxes/ha	
		Sowing	Harvest	Real	Relativ %
Standard fertilization	15	30.08.2013	06.01.2014	510 boxes	100
Standard fertilization + penergetic	5	30.08.2013	06.01.2014	705 boxes	139

+ 39%

Table 4: penergetic dosage

Treatments	Fertilizer at sowing		Topdressing	
	Formular	kg/ha	Formular	kg/ha
Standard fertilization	02 28 00	1,000	04 14 08	1,400
Standard fertilization + penergetic	02 28 00	1,000	04 14 08	1,400

penergetic b: 600gr/ha pre-emerging, or preparation of the area  
penergetic p: 600gr/ha post-emergence of culture, divided in 4 applications, each 15 days

### Conclusions

The evaluation was made through carrot of first, second class and discards. With the penergetic treatment, the farmer obtained more carrots within first class, which reaches a significant better price on the market and less discards.



Comparison  
left: control / right: penergetic

Farmer: Irmãos Bergamasco – Perdizes County/MG – Variety: Bangoea

**Table 1:** Comparison of the productivity with and without penergetic

Treatments	Productivity in boxes / linear meter	
	Real	Relativ %
Standard fertilization	3,600 boxes	100
Standard fertilization + penergetic	4,340 boxes	121

+ 21%

**Table 2:** penergetic dosage

Treatments	Fertilizer at sowing		Toppdressing	
	Formular	kg/ha	Formular	kg/ha
Standard fertilization	02 30 10	2,000	12 06 18	300
Standard fertilization + penergetic	02 30 10	2,000	12 06 18	300

penergetic b: 600gr/ha pre-emerging, or preparation of the area

penergetic p: 600gr/ha post-emergence of culture, divided in 4 applications, each 15 days

### Conclusions

The good results were possible, although the area hat high level of nematodes.



**Comparison**  
left: penergetic / right: control

## Interesting results regarding vegetable growth in the desert

Much importance is given to organically produced food in Abu Dabi. Practically without soil and water, but with a well elaborated management program and penergetic products, amazing things can be achieved.



### Dosage and test design for all applications

#### Test overview period

- February 2018 until June, 2018

#### Dosage

- penergetic b: 100gr/ha
- penergetic p (molasses): 50ml/ha
- penergetic p (powder): 50gr/ha

#### Test design

- penergetic b:  
15 days before planting  
applied without fertilizer
- penergetic p:  
15 days, 30 days, 45 days and 60 days  
after planting (molasses and powder)

### Case 1 Okra (*Abelmoschus esculentus*)

#### Observations

- The stem and the nodes are stronger
- The growth rate becomes fast
- The number of nodes increases which leads to more production
- Reduction of the downy mildew and erysipales without application of pest spray and vitamins
- The color of okra becomes darker and shiny

#### Conclusion

Applying penergetic b and p in okra plant improves the quality of the plant itself. It strengthens the stem and nodes, which results in higher production rate, having a higher quality in terms of size, color, smell and taste.

## Case 2 Cucumber (*Cucumis sativus*)

### Test site

- 18 greenhouses having 4,896 sqm
- Located in Excalibur Organic Farm, Al Bahia, Abu Dhabi

### Observations

- The roots increase their quantity and dimension by 20% to 30% that helps to strengthen the growth and immune system from sickness and insects
- Improvement of quality, taste, smell or aroma and size
- Increase in production by 30% to 40% from the normal harvest
- Extend the shelf life of the product
- The harvesting period increased from 65 days to 80 days
- Reduce the application of own organic fertilizer (vitamins and nutrients) by 40%

### Conclusion

Applying penergetic b and p (use small quantity per hectare) regenerates the soil life (humus formation) as well as the formation of mycorrhizae. By activating soil life, soil fertility is lastingly improved and the soil structure (tillage) is optimized. In addition, rotting is promoted (aerobic metabolic processes in the soil), which speeds up the rotting process. The application increases the growth rate, quality and production of cucumber.



left: control / right: penergetic

## Case 3 Beetroot

### Test site

- Open field, Abu Dhabi
- Located in Excalibur Organic Farm, Al Bahia, Abu Dhabi

### Observations

- The roots become longer, and increase of root nodes
- The size of beetroot becomes bigger, colors become darker and there is an increase in sweetness
- Increase of production by 40%
- Unsusceptible to diseases and pest

### Conclusion

The application of both penergetic b and p has provided a big difference regarding the previous harvest. The production increases, the quality and the cost in terms of maintenance, using own organic spray or own organic fertilizer are reduced.



After application of penergetic b and p

## Case 4 Onion (*Allium Cepa*)

### Test site

- Open field, Abu Dhabi
- Located in Excalibur Organic Farm, Al Bahia, Abu Dhabi

### Observations

- Increase the size of onion by 20% from the normal onion harvested
- The outer layer of the bulb or tunic becomes thicker
- Improvement of quality, smell or aroma and production
- Longer shelf life span having the same 100% quality
- The onion bulb is stronger after the application
- The taste becomes sweeter and juicier
- The shoot and the stem bark becomes thicker, longer and the color becomes darker and shiny
- No evidence of black mould on the tunic bulb

### Conclusion

It is therefore concluded that by applying penergetic b and p, regeneration of soil life as well as the formation speeds up the rotting process. It becomes unsusceptible to black mould and other diseases even without using pesticides or other artificial sustenance. The taste quality increases and it boosts the nutritional composition of the onion such as the calcium, iron foliate, magnesium, phosphorus and potassium. There is an improvement in the physical appearance; it becomes firm and compact with no abnormal development and the outer skin or tunic is strong enough to protect the flesh of the bulb.



After application of penergetic b and p

**Dosage and test design for all applications**

**Test overview period**

- February 2018 until June, 2018

**Dosage**

- penergetic b: 100gr/ha
- penergetic p (molasses): 50ml/ha
- penergetic p (powder): 50gr/ha

**Test design**

- penergetic b: 15 days before planting applied without fertilizer
- penergetic p: 15 days, 30 days, 45 days and 60 days after planting (molasses and powder)

**Case 5**  
**Potato (*Solanum tuberosum*)**

**Test site**

- Al Wathba Farm, Abu Dhabi

**Observations**

- The stems are thicker and taller from 40cm to 50cm
- Strong endurance to phytophthora infestation
- The tuber increases its production from 3 to 5
- The outer layer skin is stronger and unsusceptible for scratches or damages
- The size increases to 5%
- The color becomes whiter and shiny
- Longer shelf life having the same quality in terms of taste, smell and appearance
- Increase in production by 30% to 40%

**Conclusion**

Applying penergetic b and p in potato improves the production, having a higher quality in terms of size, appearance and taste.



Farm Visit from the Minister of Climate Change and Environment (middle) (left: Mr. Saif Almahairi, right: Mr. Sameer (Agr. Ing.))

**Case 6**  
**Corn (*Zea mays*)**

**Test site**

- Open field
- Located in Excalibur Organic Farm, Al Bahia, Abu Dhabi

**Observations**

- The corn stalk becomes greener, taller and thicker
- The husk becomes thicker and greener and protects more the kernel and the cob

- Instead of one cob they have two cobs of the same size
- The corn cob is more covered with kernels
- The kernels are bigger, heavier, tastier and become golden yellow
- There is an increase of production by 40%

**Conclusion**

The application of penergetic b and p has tremendously increased the harvest. It provides not only quantity but it also improves the net weight, color, size and quality.

## Neighboring farmers are shocked about the huge difference in cotton fields

Cotton is used in different areas of our daily life, such as clothing, medicine, household etc. of our living environment. It is recommendable to use as less pesticides and sprays as possible.

### Evident difference between penergetic treated cotton plants and control

The difference between penergetic plants and control plants was evident from beginning. Between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> fertilization application the neighbor farmers were shocked about the big difference, also to their own plants and they asked, what he has done on his trial field.

**Area:** 72 stremma or 7.2ha

**Quality of the soil:** Poor

#### Applied products:

- penergetic p molasses
- penergetic p bentonite
- Nitrogen N40 and N46
- Pesticides

#### Applications

- 3<sup>rd</sup> June – 4 leaf stage – 300ml/ha penergetic p molasses
- 14<sup>th</sup> June – plant height 25cm – 300ml/ha penergetic p molasses
- 20<sup>th</sup> July – fertilization application – 300gr/ha penergetic p bentonite.

#### Observed differences on the penergetic plants

- much more intense in green color
- looking much more healthy
- 5–10cm more height
- complete root system was much longer and stronger than control
- higher cotton quality

Applications for one cotton season	control field	penergetic field
NPK	€ 1,224	€ 1,224
Pesticides	€ 1,008	€ 1,008
Herbicides	€ 720	–
penergetic products	–	€ 375
Total costs	€ 2,952	€ 2,607

*“I have never seen that happen before. I will use Penergetic again!”*

D. Georgios, Greece

#### Cotton harvest result

- Control field:  
1 stremma / 200kg or 1 ha / 2,000 kg
- penergetic field:  
1 stremma / 360kg or 1 ha / 3,600 kg
- » *The profitability was close to 80%*

The farmer has only used two times nitrogen (N40 and N46) and one time phosphorus and pesticides. The whole year he has not used any herbicides, e.g. against worms, like he did before.

The farmer was scared about the first application of penergetic and did not reduce the recommended Penergetic reduction of fertilizer and sprays by at least minus 20%.

» *Additional income in 2017: € 7,257 = +128%*



The pictures were taken during 2<sup>nd</sup> spaying with molasses at 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (left: penergetic, right: control)

## Field Report Viticulture – penergetic application since 2006

**The Nepomuk Winery was a conventionally managed company until 2006. From 2006 on, penergetic products were added to the spraying agents. Spray was reduced each year until the final 65% reduction was achieved in 2011.**

**Status 2011: Reduction of conventional pesticides by approx. 65%**

### The Nepomuk Farm – our home

Our farm and its vineyards are nestled in the charming Arbesthaler hills, right in the middle of the wine region of Carnuntum – a liveable region that also offers many special features. When one thinks of Goettlesbrunn, one thinks of wine. No other beverage reflects the land from which it comes to a higher degree. Carnuntum is an ideal testing ground for modern cultivation and vinification of red wines. The hot, sunny climate between the Danube and Lake Neusiedl, together with the clay, sand, gravel and loess-soil, create the conditions that give the wines their uniqueness. The wine is in the truest sense of the word a natural product and the noblest embodiment of the spirit of nature. Through careful, selective harvesting of the grapes and a natural integrated management, we try to treat the wine respectfully in order to maintain its lightness and grandeur.



Christian and Maria Grassl

### Our assortment

The focus of our company is on the local Austrian grape variety Zweigelt, which has long since made a name for itself well beyond Austria. But we also produce the internationally known wines of the burgundy group, such as Pinot blanc, Chardonnay, Pinot gris and Pinot noir, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. Of course, we also have THE Austrian variety: the Grüner Veltliner, which is experiencing a renaissance at the moment and is also making an international breakthrough. We vinify our wines traditionally (large wood and steel) and internationally (barriques).

### penergetic applications since 2006

- In 2006, some penergetic products were added to the conventional synthetic chemical pesticides. The conventional pesticides were reduced by approximately 10%.
- In 2007, a special spray schedule was developed together with Mr. Christof Weber, and the conventional spray quantities could be reduced by 15–20%.
- In 2008, more attention was paid to soil vitalization. The penergetic spray schedule was adapted accordingly. Conventional pesticides were already reduced between 30–40%.
- In 2009, soil vitality was taken even more into account and the reduction of pesticides was increased to 50%.
- In 2010, despite a very wet year, the conventional spray amount was reduced by 55%.
- In 2011, soil vitalization and development of mycorrhiza were even more in focus. A 60% reduction of the conventional pesticides was planned. In 2011, partly even a 65% reduction took place – with the very best results and savings!

### Cost-neutral applications

Since application of the special spray schedule for viticulture in 2007, the treatments have always been cost-neutral. That is, the cost of the penergetic products was covered by the reduction of conventional pesticides. In the meantime, there is even an extra profit of 190 Euros per hectare due to the substantial reduction of pesticides.

### No additional work for penergetic applications

No additional work is needed for the penergetic applications, as the products are simply added to conventional sprayings with the exception of the area composting, i.e. soil treatment in autumn. Here a separate spraying is done after the harvest. Normally leaf pulling is done one week after flowering with a device producing a pulsating airflow. Due to the permanent plant coverage, one can always drive in the vineyards.

Like that, diseases can be counteracted in time even with very wet conditions. Also soil erosion through wind and water can be kept at a minimum – on the contrary; actually, a build-up of humus is taking place.

### No nitrogen applied for about 10 years

Since 2003 no more spraying of acaricides (against mites). Since 2009 no more spraying against Botrytis. No nitrogen fertilization was applied for about ten years. For 2011, an application was planned. However, for the purpose of comparison some acres were treated not conventionally, but only with the addition of penergetic p molasses. However, due to the good development, no nitrogen fertilization took place in 2011 after all.

### Better soil structure

Over the years, the soil has become looser with better crumbling structure. A greater diversity of species, such as vetch, has developed. Insect pests like the rust mite have declined. The vines became more vigorous and above all more resistant to stress related diseases and rapidly changing weather conditions.

### Decreased pesticide use

The wine quality and also the sales increased generally in recent years. Especially the white series have gained in fruitiness and fullness. Generally speaking, pesticides were decreased annually by about 10% since we started applying the Penergetic technology (2006 minus 10% – 2011 minus 65%).

In 2010, we leased an additional ca. 3 acres. Here the pesticides were reduced by 50% immediately without any loss of quality or quantity.

### Increasing annual profit

Besides all the positive effects regarding to vitality of the vines, aeration of the soil and increasing quality of the wines produced, there is extra annual profit of 190 Euros per ha. And I think the end is not yet in sight.

Christian Grassl

#### Our Awards

- Rubin Carnuntum 2006  
Falstaff 90 points  
(Falstaff is an Austrian magazine: www.falstaff.at)
- Rubin Carnuntum 2007  
NÖ WEIN 2008 (North East Wine):  
among the best
- Merlot 2006  
NÖ WEIN 2009: among the best.  
Falstaff 91 points
- Exor 2007 (Zweigelt Reserve)  
NÖ WEIN 2009: among the best.  
Falstaff 91 points Salon Austria  
Wine 2010
- Exor 2008 (Zweigelt Reserve)  
Falstaff 91 points
- Cuvée Nepomuk 2005  
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- Cuvée Nepomuk 2008  
Falstaff 92 points
- Grüner Veltliner Selektion 2008  
Salon Austria Wine 2009
- Grüner Veltliner Selektion 2009  
Salon Austria Wine 2010

## Diploma thesis to compare penergetic effects versus standard treatments

**Effect of stone meals (penergetic) on the sensory parameters of wine carried out at Federal College and Federal Office for Viticulture and Fruit-Growing Klosterneuburg.**

#### Diploma Thesis submitted by Marius Pimpel

On the subjects of

- plant protection (with exercises)
- Wine and fruit growing technological laboratory (viticulture)

Variety: Green Veltliner

against pathogens (Hall Mann, 2007). The plant-strengthening effect is difficult to verify scientifically in most cases (Harm, 2010). In the fight against decay plant tonics achieve similar results as unilateral leaf removal in the grape zone or like fungicides with additional Botrytis effect. There is currently no reliable evidence of a strengthening of the grape skin through treatment with plant tonics (Harms and Walter, 2008). In addition to resistance-inducing properties, a direct effect against certain stages of fungi development has been observed with some plant tonics (Harm, 2008).

### Sprayings in the vineyard

#### Effect of plant tonics / fortifiers

Plant tonics have no direct effect on harmful pathogens, but simply strengthen the resistance of the plant against pathogens (Harms and Walter, 2008). The main modes of action of plant tonics are increased plant resistance, promotion of rooting, growth and flowering, increase of yield, promotion of soil organisms and activation of existing nutrients and components. By judicious use of plant tonics, a prevalence of pathogens is prevented (Hofman, 1995). If used properly, the result should be healthier and better-growing plants, reduced losses and increased flower formation (Hall Mann, 2007) (Mohr, 2005). The resistive power of the plants is based either on the activation of plant defense mechanisms or on the hardening of tissue (Harms and Walter, 2008). Plant tonics must be used preventively in several applications, since they have no direct effect

**Test design** / Location: W. Glatzer, Göttlesbrunn (Carnuntum area) / Size: 2 plots – each with 3 rows and 30 vines. The rows are labeled at the upper end to separate from the rest of the vineyard. Then Michael Pimpel of Bayer Cropscience and Christof Weber of Weber Agrartechnik (penergetic products) made a spraying plan for each plot. The trial area was on a slight southern slope with sandy loess and subsoil of gravelly loam. Variant 1 (V1): The rows are treated with standard (100%) amounts of pesticides. Variant 2 (V2): The rows are treated with 30% less pesticides + penergetic p. When pesticides were reduced due to favourable weather conditions, etc., the reduction was done equally in both lots. The amounts of penergetic p were per plot 7gr per treatment except for the spraying were 9gr per plot at the at the time of budding.

above: V1 (left) and V2 (right)

below: Spraying plan 2013 Marius Pimpel, Göttlesbrunn. Application was done using a motorized sprayer (petrol), provided by the trial farm. The objective was to apply the products directly and make them stick to the leaves as well as possible.

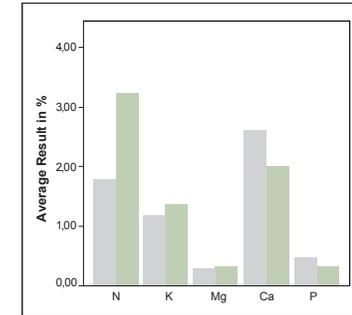


### Spraying scheme 2013 Marius Pimpel, Göttlesbrunn

Spraying	Pesticide	V1, Amount Standard IP	V2, Amount penergetic	Reason	Date
1	Netzschwefel Stulln	4kg/ha – 75gr/plot	3kg/ha – 50gr + 9gr penergetic p/plot	Leaf curl & mites	27/04/13
2	Netzschwefel Stulln	4kg/ha – 45gr/plot	30gr/plot + 7gr penergetic p	Oidium	09/05/13
	Ortho Phaltan 500 SC	1lt/ha – 30ml/plot	20ml/plot	Peronospora	09/05/13
	Envidor	9ml/plot	6ml/plot	Mites	09/05/13
3	Collis	0.4lt/ha – 9ml/plot	6ml/plot + 7gr penergetic p	Oidium/Botrytis	24/05/13
	Profiler	1.5kg/ha – 40gr/plot	30gr/plot	Peronospora	24/05/13
	PH-Opti	0.2ml/100lt 10ml/5ml	0.2ml/100lt 10ml/5ml	Miscibility	24/05/13
4	Collis	0.4lt/ha – 9ml/plot	6ml/plot + 7gr penergetic p	Oidium/Botrytis	08/06/13
	Profiler	1.5kg/ha – 40gr/plot	30g/plot	Peronospora	08/06/13
	PH-Opti	0.2ml/100lt 10ml/5ml	0.2ml/100lt 10ml/5ml	Miscibility	08/06/13
5	Luna Experience	0.2lt/ha – 8ml/plot	6ml/plot + 7gr penergetic p	Oidium	21/06/13
	Melody Combi	2.0kg/ha – 50gr/plot	2.0kg/ha – 35gr/plot	Peronospora	21/06/13
	Runner	0.4lt/ha – 9ml/plot	0.4lt/ha – 6ml/plot + 7gr penergetic p	Tortrix, moth	05/07/13
6	Prosper	0.8lt/ha – 18ml/plot	0.8lt/ha – 12ml/plot	Oidium	05/07/13
	Melody Combi	2.0kg/ha – 50gr/plot	2kg/ha – 35gr/plot	Peronospora	05/07/13
	Prosper	0.8lt/ha – 18ml/plot	0.8lt/ha – 12ml/plot + 7gr penergetic p	Oidium	18/07/13
7	Ortho Phaltan 500 SC	1lt/ha – 30 ml/plot	20ml/plot	Peronospora	18/07/13
	Runner	0.4lt/ha – 9ml/plot	0.4lt/ha – 6ml/plot + 7gr penergetic p	Tortrix, moth	18/07/13
	Prosper	0.8lt/ha – 18ml/plot	0.8lt/ha – 12ml/plot	Oidium	05/08/13
8	Melody Combi	2.4kg/ha – 50gr/plot	2kg/ha – 35gr/plot	Peronospora	05/08/13
	Prosper	0.8lt/ha – 18ml/plot	0.8lt/ha – 12ml/plot	Oidium	16/08/13
9	Melody Combi	2.4kg/ha – 50gr/plot	2kg/ha – 35gr/plot	Peronospora	16/08/13

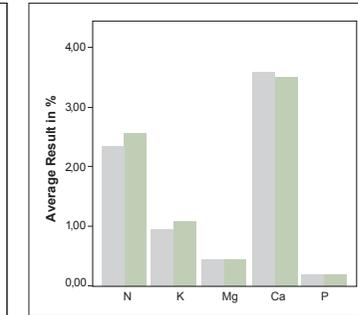
## Evaluation of measurement of nutrient content and trace elements

### Nutrients



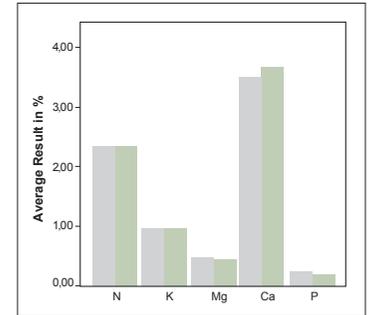
June 21/2013

At the first time of leaf sampling (outgoing blossom) it is striking that the nitrogen content of the plant in variant 1 is clearly higher than in variant 2. Potassium is slightly higher in variant 2. Calcium could have been more in version 2 before the rainfall. Otherwise there is no significant difference in other nutrients.



August 17/2013

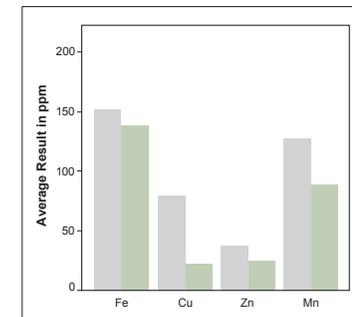
The second leaf sampling shows a high, but equivalent amount of calcium in both variants. Nitrogen was used for chlorophyll synthesis. Potassium, magnesium and phosphorous are balanced.



September 01/2013

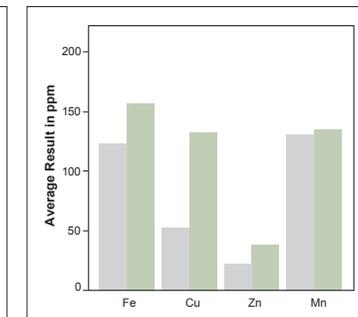
The third leaf sampling that took place around the start of full ripening, did not show any greater changes. The calcium content rose and was even a bit higher in variant 1 than in variant 2. One could see that the grapes in variant 2 appeared riper.

### Trace elements



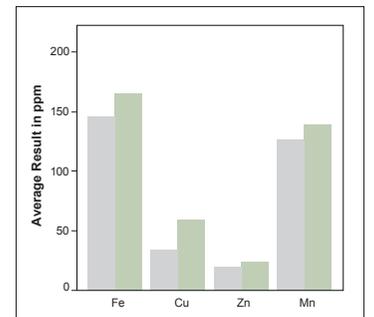
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The values of iron and manganese are significantly higher in variant 1 than in variant 2. A big difference between the variants can be seen in copper. In this phase the values of the standard variant generally dominate. Since a lot of nitrogen was used for building chlorophyll in variant 2, it can be assumed that the trace elements were also consumed in the process.



August 17/2013

This looks different, though. Here variant 2 dominates again, in particular regarding copper. Trace elements are replenished for the formation of chlorophyll.



September 01/2013

The values of copper and zinc decreased in variant 2. Otherwise the values remained rather the same.

Variants  
 Standard  
 penergetic

## Discussion

Sustainability in crop protection is becoming a more and more important subject. Pesticides should be reduced and the environment should be protected, but at the same time high quality, healthy vine should end up in the wine glass of the consumer.

Great numbers of plant protection strategies are continuously being developed in order to not pollute the environment too much. Pesticides are reduced, sprays are skipped, but also weather stations and sophisticated programs like Vitimeteo are used to calculate the severity of attacks in order to achieve targeted applications. Unfortunately, as it was the case in 2013 with Oidium, with varying degrees of success.

In this thesis, the attempt was made to compare a normal plant protection variant, treated as per normal IP praxis, to a variant that was treated with 30 percent less pesticides and strengthened by penergetic p.

The first major objective, support for maintaining the health of the vines, could be achieved as the grapes of the special variant were very healthy all the way till harvesting. It even went so far that the special version without Botrytis could be harvested in good condition whereas some rotting berries had to be removed in the IP variant.

The penergetic p has a similar effect as potassium silicate of hardening the skin of the berries and therefore less occurrence of Botrytis. This was already confirmed by "Harms and Walter 2008".

The second major objective (according to "Weber 2005") was the propagated effect of penergetic p: increase of chlorophyll and photosynthesis performance for which increased nitrogen, but also trace elements are needed, could be demonstrated impressively by leaf sample measurements. Equally important in this comparison, according to "Walter Harms and 2008", is better health of the "informed" grapes over the IP grapes.

As determined at the multiple tastings of the separately vinified batches, there were no differences between the wines except for small nuances. But the wine is young and the wines of 2013 generally develop rather slowly. So one would have to await the further development with age and then compare again.

At any rate, this plant protection comparison trial – including vinification – is a pointer in the direction of developing sustainable plant protection and an option to strengthen plant health and inherent resistance of the plants against fungi as well as reducing chemical pesticides considerably.

**Viticulture will not be able to do completely without chemical products – especially in difficult years – but with the plant fortifying effect of penergetic p a new direction can be taken.**

## Summary

In modern plant protection various strategies have been tried and tested over and over again to protect plants successfully against a number of diseases. Moreover, it is a further challenge to use as small quantities of plant protection agents as possible, which is partly facilitated by the use of fungus-resistant varieties, which require far less plant protection. Thus, with questions of sustainability arising, this topic is gaining importance.

This diploma paper has investigated if lower amounts of chemical plant protection agents could be used, if their effect is enhanced by the use of penergetic p, which affect the plant similarly to plant fortifiers. The question arising is, if the plant can thus be protected as well against common diseases as with an ordinary IP concept.

A further consideration was if this more sustainable variant would enable the producer to receive an equally good or even fruitier product. A rating for diseases and nutrient analysis of the leaves should reveal any differences between the variants. Especially a testing for nitrogen contents, which play a crucial role in photosynthesis showed clear results.

**At harvest it was striking that with the IP variant some diseased berries had to be removed from the clusters, whereas this was not necessary in the variant treated with penergetic p and lower amounts of synthetic spraying agents.**

Apart from that, there were no significant differences between the variants, which can be judged as positive, since it reveals that lower expenditures regarding synthetic spraying agents combined with biological strengthening of the plants can lead to a healthy crop and consequently good wine.

If spraying passes are not reduced, but the amounts of spraying agents used per pass can be reduced by the support of the penergetic p, it is possible to not only boost photosynthesis, leading to healthy and vital plants, but also to tread new ways of sustainability in viticulture.

## *penergetic b and penergetic p helps to compensate damages from slugs*



**Trials on wheat, oats and oil seed rape have been conducted over three years at Sudbury Park Farm Derbyshire. The fields show a good level of production with the Penergetic plots returning increased yield and crops that are better able to withstand challenges than the control plots.**

The trials were all carried out at Sudbury Park Farm Derbyshire U.K. Two fields (Fishpond and Top Park) were selected, each with a defined control area and a testing area.

### Wheat

#### Varieties

Crusoe milling wheat and Skyfall milling wheat

#### Size of fields

- Fishpond  
penergetic: 4.77ha  
Control: 1.79ha
- Top Park  
penergetic: 8.84ha  
Control: 15.72ha

#### Doses of penergetic used

- 450gr/ha of penergetic b in October (2016/10/21)
- 200gr/ha of penergetic p in March (2017/03/16)
- 200gr/ha of penergetic p 5 weeks later (2017/04/20)
- 200gr/ha of penergetic p 5 weeks later (2017/05/22)
- 150gr/ha of penergetic p 3 weeks later (2017/06/09)
- All other inputs remained the same, the only difference between the treated and control plots was the addition of penergetic products

### Yield Fishpond 2017

Fishpond	Harvest in tonnes / ha	Increase in tonnes	Increase in %
penergetic	10.380	0.550	5.5
Control	9.830		

penergetic: + 5.5%

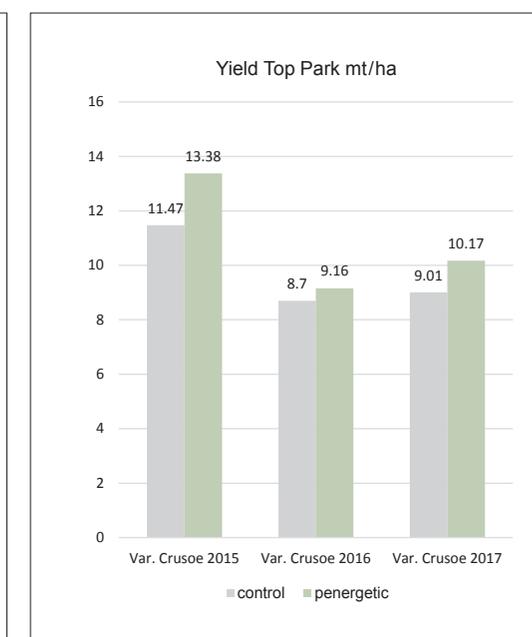
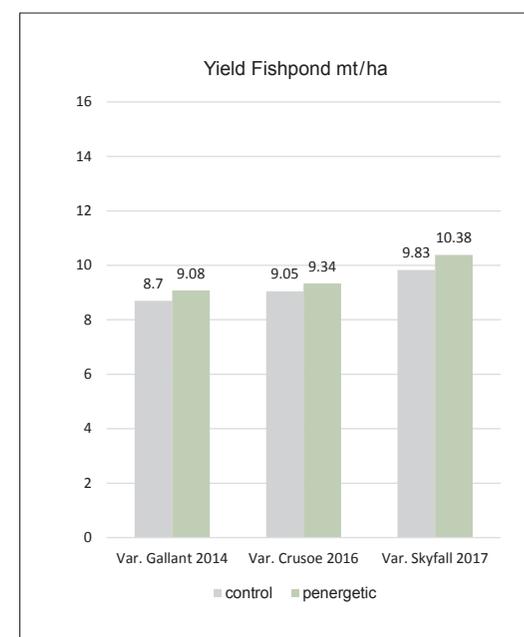
### Yield Top Park 2017

Top Park	Harvest in tonnes / ha	Increase in tonnes	Increase in %
penergetic	10.170	1.160	12.9
Control	9.010		

penergetic: + 12.9%

Due to difficult weather conditions harvest of Fishpond had to take place in two steps: The control plot was harvested on 15<sup>th</sup> August. A small part of the Penergetic plot was harvested on 16<sup>th</sup> August, the remainder on 27<sup>th</sup> August due to prolonged rain showers. The yields per hectare listed above refer only to the part of penergetic harvested on 16<sup>th</sup> August. However, the obtained samples should not be reliably used as a comparison.

### Yield comparison



## Winter oats

The trial was carried out at Sudbury Park Farm Derbyshire on the Kennel Park Field following the previous years crop of oil seed rape OSR variety Holl316.

### Variety

Winter Oats, 1<sup>st</sup> year

#### Doses of Penergetic used

- 450gr/ha of penergetic b in October (2016/10/21)
- 200gr/ha of penergetic p in March (2017/03/16)
- 200gr/ha of penergetic p 5 weeks later (2017/04/20)
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#### Yield results for 2018 for the oats

penergetic plot yielding 8.040mt/ha and the control at 7.2mt/ha. That's an increase of 840kg per hectare.



Kennel Park	Harvest in tonnes/ha	Increase in tonnes	Increase in %
penergetic	8.680	+ 0.400	+ 4.8
Control	8.280		

penergetic: + 4.8%

### Analysis

Kennel Park	kg/hl	Moisture in %
penergetic	48.80	15.10
Control	48.70	15.10

### Conclusion

The oats treated with penergetic b and p show an increase in yield towards the test field. Moisture stayed the same. Just before harvest was due to start there was a day of heavy rainfall with strong wind on the crop. It was noticed that the penergetic treated plot was able to withstand this better than the untreated with less plants falling due to the wet conditions.

## Winter oil seed rape, 1

The trial was carried out on Knoll field. This was the first year of OSR after six years of cereals.

### Variety

Elgar

### Analysis

Knoll	Moisture in %	Oil content in %
penergetic	8.19	45.3
Control	7.97	45.2

The crop in the penergetic plot suffered serious slug damage leading to a reduction in plant numbers, however the plants developed a deeper canopy and increased seed per plant to maintain a yield level of 4.44 tonnes per hectare equal to the control as shown on the pictures.

### Conclusion

The use of penergetic b and p helped to compensate for the damage caused by the slugs. The farm owner and staff at the farm commented that based on previous experience they expected greater losses where the slugs had been active.

#### Doses of penergetic used

- 450gr/ha of penergetic b in September (2016/09/20)
- 225gr/ha of penergetic p 6 weeks later (2016/10/31)
- 150gr/ha of penergetic p in March (2017/03/15)
- 200gr/ha of penergetic p 5 weeks later (2017/04/19)
- 100gr/ha of penergetic p 4 weeks later (2017/05/10)
- All other inputs remained the same, the only difference between the treated and control plots was the addition of penergetic products



**Comparison**  
Control (above) and penergetic (below)

## Winter oil seed rape, 2

We also conducted another trial in a field which had never previously received any penergetic products at all. We noticed that the crop was developing with uneven plant growth due to compaction of heavy low lying soil. Both areas had been sown at the same time and rate but as shown on the photograph taken on 12 April 2017 the area to left of the picture was flowering well ahead of that on the right. We decided to use penergetic p molasses as a spray at 200ml per hectare to see if we could help rectify the situation. The second photograph taken on 4 May 2017 shows just how rapid the plants were able to catch up following the application of penergetic p on 13 April. The final yield was comparable to other OSR grown elsewhere on the farm at 3.8 tonnes per hectare.



12 April (above) and 4 May (below)  
The penergetic plot develops very well after an additional spray



## Advantages in coffee planting when using cover crops and penergetic products

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Studying the effect of penergetic (PNG) and cover crops (CC) with different doses of PNG and chemical fertilizers on coffee plantation



Fernandes et al. (2018) in an experiment conducted in:

- Experimental Station Izidoro Bronzi, Araguari, Minas Gerais State, Brazil
- Coffee farmers Association of Araguari (ACA)
- Procafé Foundation

### Variety

Catuai Vermelho IAC 15, planted in a clay soil with a drip irrigation system, (2.3lt/h water), 3.7m x 0.7m of space between the plants and same between the drip irrigators.

### Treatments

- 1 Control
- 2 Control + cover crop (CC) mix
- 3 100% fertilizer\* + PNG
- 4 100% fertilizer + PNG + CC mix
- 5 50% fertilizer + PNG
- 6 50% fertilizer + PNG + CC mix
- 7 100% fertilizer
- 8 100% fertilizer + CC mix
- 9 75% fertilizer + PNG
- 10 75% fertilizer + PNG + CC mix

\* 450kg/ha of N, 85kg/ha of P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, 400kg/ha of K<sub>2</sub>O (fertilizers applied per year).



left: Coffee intercropped by mix cover crops



right: Coffee intercropped by mix cover crops after slashing

### Cover crop mix

The cover crops *Fagopirum esculentum* (buckwheat), *Crotalaria breviflora*, *Crotalaria ochroleuca*, *Mucuna prupriens* (dwarf mucuna), *Cajanus cajan* (dwarf pigeon pea), pear millet and *Vigna unguiculata* (cowpea) were sowed broadcast between the coffee rows in a spring season, and after around 85–90 days they were slashed and the residues left covering the soil surface.

### Results

The results showed important benefits of nutrients cycling by the cover crops, weed control between the coffee rows, and among others improving soil moisture and soil biology (biodiversity).

In table 2, the data comprising effects of penergetic and penergetic combined with cover crops, including or not chemical fertilizers, show significant differences in dry grain yield when compared with control plot. Very good results are obtained when penergetic is involved. Using cover crops + penergetic + 50% fertilizer (treatment 6), it was possible to achieve 65.6 bags of coffee (1 bag = 60kg of dry bean coffee grain) per hectare. That is an increase

of 33% compared with treatment 2 (control + cover crops) and of 22% compared with treatment 7 (100% fertilizer).

With the Penegetic Technology and cover crops species intercropped and slashed in the flowering stage (when the soil contains reasonable nutrient levels), it is possible to reduce the dosis of chemical fertilizer and still have an increase in yield. Comparing treatment 7 (100% fertilizer) and treatment 10 (75% fertilizer + PNG + CC), treatment 10 realized 33% more yield.

Table 3 is presenting the ranking achieved and compared among all treatments. Comparing treatment 10 (75% fertilizer + PNG + CC mix) and treatment 6 (50% fertilizer + PNG + CC mix), probably the costs of fertilizer are quite similar to the grain coffee improvement. This leads to conclude that with 50% fertilizer + PNG + CC mix, it's possible to achieve high coffee grain yield with profitability, and almost 23% higher yield when compared to treatment 7 with just 100% chemical fertilizer.

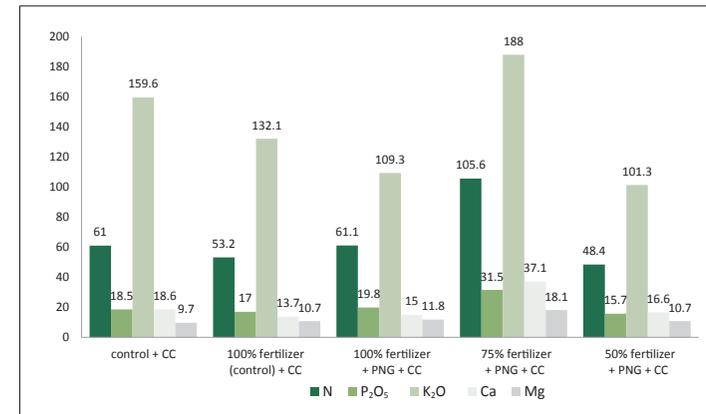


Table 1: Nutrients cycling by the cover crops

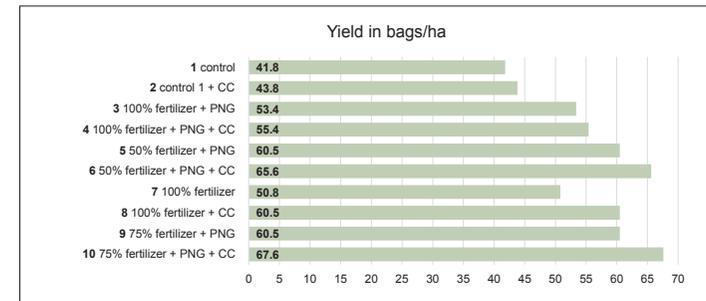


Table 2: Productivity of the treatments in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the trial

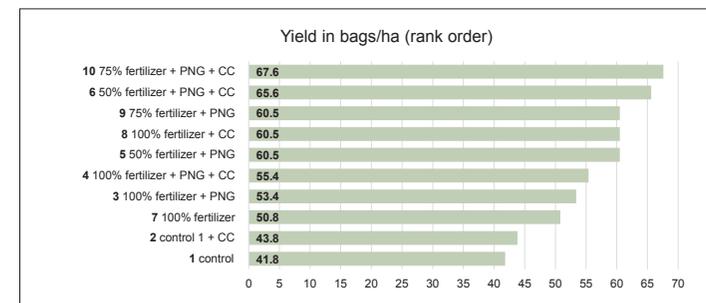


Table 3: Ranking productivity results

### Conclusions

It may be preliminarily concluded that:

- The use of Penegetic Technology for soil and plants is beneficial for the nutrition of the coffee plant, especially when it is combined with CC mix
- With CC mix, the productivity was higher in all the treatments, compared to the treatments without CC mix
- The inclusion of CC mix in the coffee production system in the Minas Gerais

- is promising, because it allows the increase of the biomass produced, in addition to signaling potential gains in coffee productivity over a period of several seasons
- The use of Penegetic Technology in all chemical fertilizer dosis tested, when CC mix is included, occur like a synergism, and in all treatments coffee dry grain yield was increased

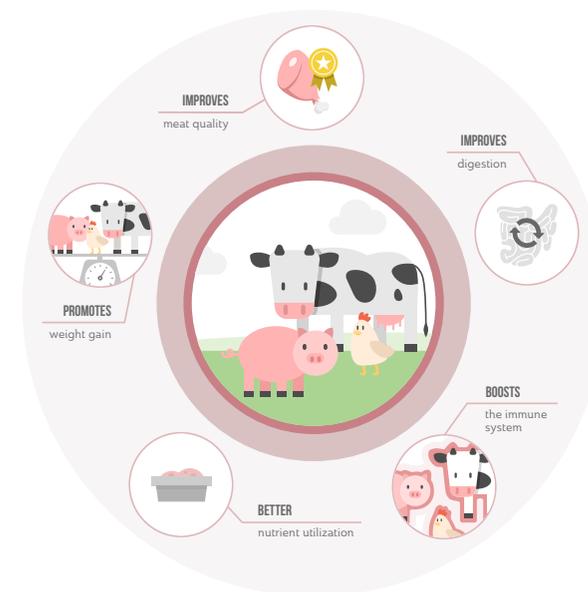
# Livestock *penergetic t*

*penergetic t is a feed supplement, which improves the quality in livestock farming. The product promotes a better feed efficiency and regulates the animals' immune system and regenerative capacities. It also has a positive effect on the entire organism.*

A further advantage is the improved climate in stables, which results from the positive changes with regard to excretion.

#### **Benefits**

- Better conditions for livestock
- Single feedstuff
- Less stress and improved well-being of the animals
- Improves digestion
- Boosts the immune system
- Promotes better feed conversion
- Stabilized quality and production
- Greater weight gain
- Improved meat quality



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## Test in organic goat rearing and production of cheese for direct sales



The farm was taken over by Ms. Alexandra Dupont on January 1, 2011. It was in the process of being converted to organic methods. The entire farm was awarded organic certification on October 1, 2011. Since March 3, 2014 the farm is also home to wethers and “retired” nannies.

### Situation

Since the farm has commenced operations, it comprises 20 hectares of land. As a sole farmer, Ms. Dupont breeds goats and produces cheese that she sells directly. Volunteers of WWOOF France and other helpers, friends and temporary trainees support her in her work, totaling the equivalent of one part-time employee working half days. Depending on the year and hay quality, the farm produces 16,000 to 20,000 liters of goats' milk annually.

Livestock at the farm comprises:

- 4 generative bucks, in a separate enclosure
- 49 dairy goats
- dry goats
- young female goats are approved for milking by Ms. Dupont from three years of age. In this way they have sufficient time to mature and grow to their full size.

The animal sanctuary is also home to 90 castrated bucks and ten old nanny goats, both in their own enclosures and buildings.

### Building

From March to October the dairy goats are kept in a 13 hectare enclosure next to a building of 100 square meters. During the winter they stay in this building.

### Feed rations

Water is available to the animals freely. Throughout the entire year they can feed freely on hay from fodder grass/clover (mostly fodder grass) and are also fed an individual ration of concentrates at the time of milking (one milking in the morning, one in the evening). This daily ration, fed in two equal portions, comprises a total of 800 grams during the summer, 1 kilogram in the winter.



- Despite the hay from the 2017 harvest being of very poor quality, milk production appeared to be higher than during the same period of the previous year, and higher than forecast by Ms. Dupont before the trial.
- In addition, an obvious and easily measurable result was observed and measured: two days after penergetic t was introduced, the curd was

of much better quality and more homogeneous, it kept better on the draining table, resulting in less waste in cheese production.

### Trial

The trial commenced on October 8, 2017, the set-up was quite simple: the goats were given 1gr penergetic t each with their morning ration; it was sprinkled over the concentrate. The goats readily accepted the feed mix with penergetic t. On December 18, 2017, Ms. Dupont had used up the 3kg standard bucket of penergetic t.

### Observations

Ms. Dupont observed several positive effects. However, since no weighings, detailed analyses or other controls were carried out, she does not want to comment because a direct relationship between the observed effects and penergetic t has thus not been proven. Nonetheless, three examples of observed effects should be mentioned:

- From December 28, ten days after penergetic t was fed to the animals for the last time, the herd was affected by conjunctivitis, while it had been in perfect health when the last dose of penergetic t was taken.

14 days after the trial commenced, the farm switched to winter mode: the animals were kept inside the building and thus had no access to grass, but hay was freely available to them. This change in their diet had no effect whatsoever on milk quality, which was consistently better than before, significantly higher than before the trial. This obvious improvement of milk quality could thus only have been the result of adding penergetic t to the feed.

### Measurements

- Before the trial she produced around 1.3 Crottin\* goats cheeses from 1 liter of milk.
- During the trial she produced around 1.7 Crottin goats cheeses from 1 liter of milk.
- After the bucket of penergetic t was used up, the quality declined again.

### Commercial aspects

With annual milk yield of 18,000 liters, the following cost-benefit ratio applies, calculated for a full test year:



Photo from January 20, 2018. Right with penergetic t left without: the cheese is less firm, loses more water and cheese in shapes and is slightly yellower with penergetic t.

Parameter	Without penergetic	With penergetic
Annual milk yield	18,000 lt	18,000 lt minimum
Conversion rate	1.3 FCR	1.7 FCR
Number of cheeses per year	23,400 pieces	30,600 pieces
Selling price per cheese	€ 2.50	€ 2.50
Annual turnover	€ 58,500	€ 76,500
Annual costs of penergetic t	0	€ 456.10
Additional annual net profit, generated by penergetic t		€ 17,543.90
Return on investment with penergetic t		38.5 times the purchase price

When the Tocrop consultant, who was asked by the Penergetic importers to carry out the trial, visited on January 14, 2018, Ms. Dupont bought a bucket of penergetic t and agreed to share her experiences with people contacting her.

### Period December 18, 2017 – January 14, 2018

- Since her supply of penergetic t was used up, Ms. Dupont bought a feed supplement on a calcium carbonate base instead; the result was rather disappointing. Compared to penergetic t the amount of cheese produced from 1 liter of milk was reduced; although the curd was better with that feed additive than before using penergetic t, the quality was not

as good as during the period penergetic t was fed to the animals.

- The goat herd was affected by conjunctivitis.

### Period January 14, – January 22, 2018

On the evening of January 14, Ms. Dupont started to use penergetic t again and returned to the same feed cycle as before: 1gr of penergetic t per goat and day, at the time of the morning milking. On January 21, she then noticed the curd having returned to the high quality levels and achieved the one liter of milk to 1.7 Crottins conversion rate again.

\* Crottin: name of the goat cheese

## Four years test on reproduction and performance in dairy cows

The combined reproductive and productive performances of six dairx herds (Holstein/ Jersey) were analyzed over four years.

This retrospective analysis was made by Dr. Jaime Murillo Herrera, MSC teacher from Universidad Nacional de Costa Rica and private consultant of Cooperativa de productores de leche Dos Pinos in cooperation with ING. Fabricio Alfaro Jaikel, MBA as CEO of Penergetic de Costa Rica.



### Benefits

- Less semen doses
- Less costs
- Less time to pregnancy
- More milk

The management of the 6 dairy farms was 100% grazing, with two milkings daily. They were additionally fed twice a day with a concentrate, according to milk production. The farms are located at a height of 400 meters over sea level, with temperatures ranging between 25°C and 33°C, with a good humidity average ratio above 70% throughout the year.

Four periods between 2010 and 2014 were analyzed, each from September to September. The only change in the management of these herds was the feed supplementation with penergetic t since November 2012. These two years are highlighted in colour.

From table 1 it can be deduced that the detected percentage of heats is quite consistent in the last 4 years, but we can see a decrease in services by conception; going from 2.46 in the time period of 2010–2011 to 2.10 in the time period of 2013–2014 (less semen doses, less costs, less months to pregnancy).

In the analyzed four years period, the percentage of pregnancy at first service improved from 33.7% to 39.1%, the interval between calving decreased by 17 days and the age of the heifers at first calving was reduced by 5 months.

**Table 1:** Four years comparison in six dairy herds

Lapse of time	Sept 2010 – Sept 2011	Sept 2011 – Sept 2012	Sept 2012 – Sept 2013	Sept 2013 – Sept 2014
Evaluated animals	607	708	763	703
% heat detection	52.5	51.0	52.2	51
I/A services by conception	2.46	2.27	2.16	2.10
% pregnant at first service	33.7	38.2	33.5	39.1
Interval between calving in days	404	408	388	387
Age at first calving in months	32.7	27.4	28.3	27.3

**Table 2:** Comparison of the total milk production of the analyzed six dairy herds during the test period

Year	Total of cows milking in 6 herds	Average of milk in liters in finished lactations	Total of liters produced in 6 herds annually
2011	505	14.0	2,596,694
2012	560	12.8	2,634,065
2013	576	15.8	3,320,733
2014	597	15.8	3,433,997

It is important to consider that even though the data are not statistically significant their economic weight for the observed herds is significant because of the quantity of represented animals.

As for the production indicators, it can be deduced from table 2 that the average of milk production improved by 1.8 liters of milk per cow per day, which means an increase of 12.9%.

Finally, it was observed that despite increasing the number of lactating animals in the herds in a year by only 92 animals (18.2%), there was an increase of 837,303 liters of milk produced (32.2%) in 2014 compared to 2011.

Again it is important to emphasize that the only change in management was the additional feeding with penergetic t since November 2012. The increase of 837,303 liters of milk with the same area and only with 92 more animals is a figure with a high economic importance.



## What could penergetic t do for your dairy herd?



### My farm story ...

The Minnesota Dairyman: We run a tie-stall AI-herd dairy operation, and we were running into waxing and waning (coming and going) periods of mastitis, somatic cell counts over 400,000 SCC frequent DA's\*, lameness issues and struggling with cow comfort and stress. We would modify one management practice as encouraged by our veterinary team, yet another challenge would take the forefront. We were juggling multiple regimes and variables, and we were watching our cows miss their genetic potential ... does this sound like your farm?

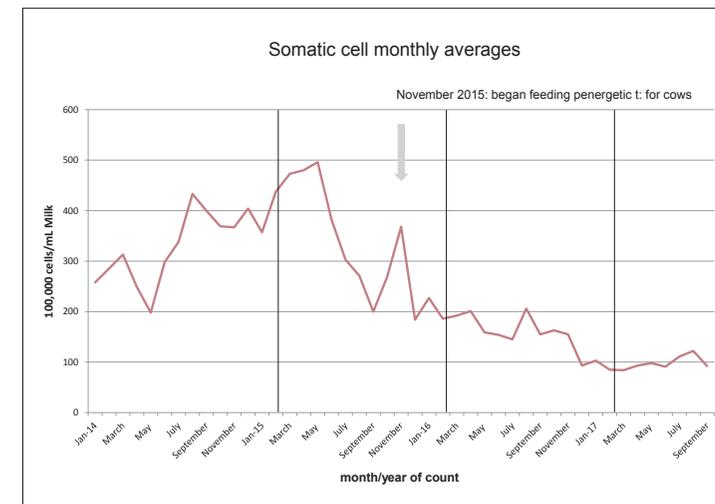
From our experience, using penergetic t for cows avoids costs of:

- Veterinary bills
- Retreating conditions
- Loss of production and throwing out treated milk
- Farrier costs

### Changes observed

Increased	Decreased
Appetites and consistency in eating	Time between calving an return to feed
Number of healthy, thifty and heavy calves born	Somatic cell average from 326,000 (2014) to 191,000 (Sept. 2017)
Hair coat shine and overall bright appearance	Incidences of DA's, septic mastitis cases and veterinary required calving issues
	Farrier required lameness evaluations and hoof issues
Cow comfort noticed by increased resting times	Poor appetites and inconsistencies in eating

### Decreased somatic cell averages



### Return on investment

The somatic cell count (SCC) premium we now receive from maintaining a consistently lower SCC, pays for the cost of penergetic t (for cows) for our herd.

### Application Rate

5 grams per cow per day as a top-dressing to a TMR\*\*.

\* DA: displaced abomasums  
\*\* TMR: total mixed rotation

## Study on carcass quality in the last four fattening weeks

Margins in animal husbandry are very low. For this reason, alternatives are searched for a better fattening result.

### The effect of penergetic t fattening on carcass quality in swine fattening phase

This study was carried out about the effect of penergetic t fattening on swine carcass one month before slaughtering.

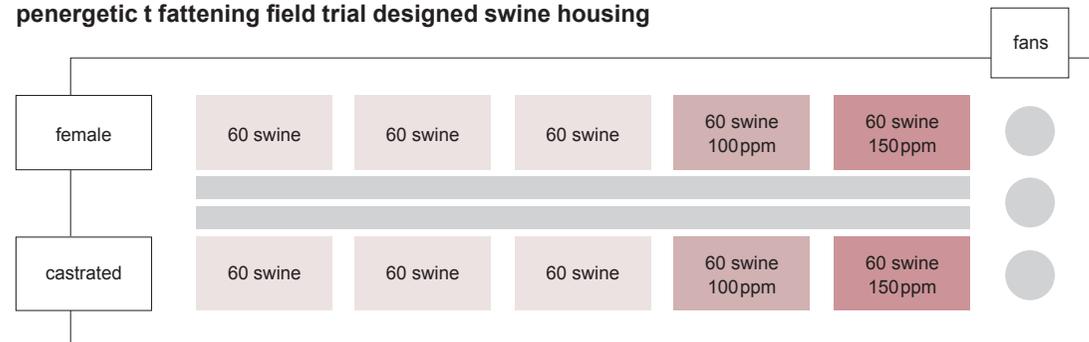
#### Material and method

600 fattening pigs in one house, average 80kg weight separated and divided by sex into 3 groups:

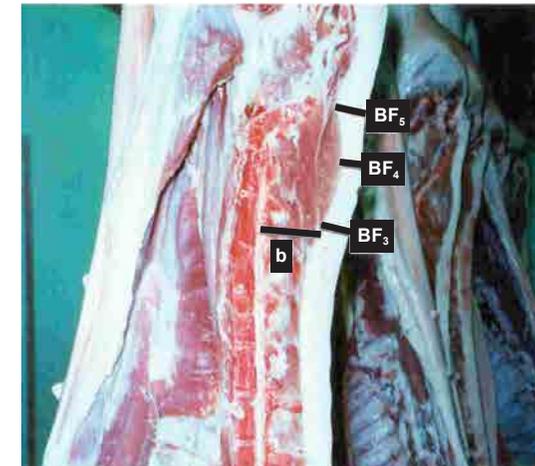
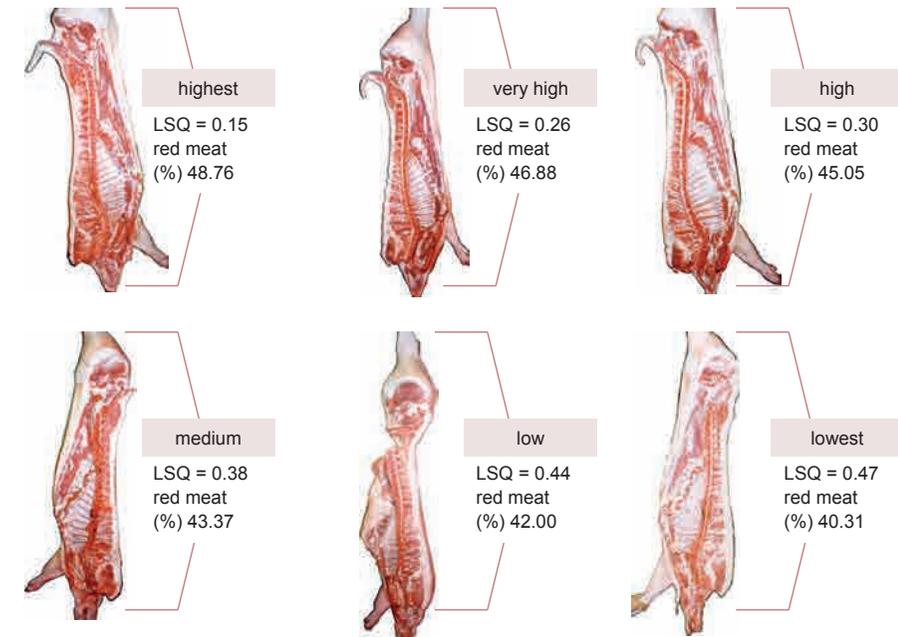
- **Control:** 360 fattening pigs (castrated and female separated) were separated in 3 pens with 60 pigs per pen. The control groups were fed normal feed without penergetic t fattening

- **Treatment 1:** 120 fattening pigs (castrated and female separated) were allocated in 2 pens with 60 pigs per pen. 100ppm penergetic t fattening mixed into feed during 1 month of production period
- **Treatment 2:** 120 fattening pigs (castrated and female separated) were allocated in 2 pens with 60 pigs per pen. 150ppm penergetic t fattening mixed into feed during one month of production period
- The fattening pigs were fed 2 times per day by automatic feeder

#### penergetic t fattening field trial designed swine housing



### Carcass LSQ Standard



#### Collect data

The pigs in all groups were tested during one month or weight avg. 110kg – 125kg before slaughtering. The carcass quality was checked in each group by LSQ standard by Pfeiffer & Falkenberg (1972)

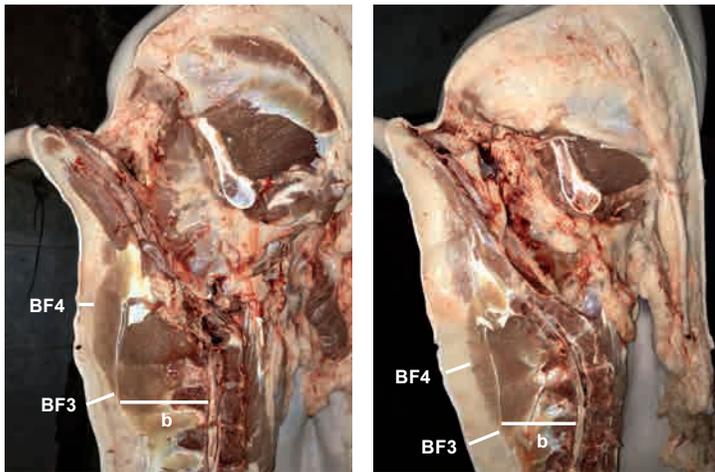
### Control group



### Test 1: 100ppm penergetic t fattening



### Test 2: 150ppm penergetic t fattening



$$LSQ = \frac{BF_3 + BF_4}{2b}$$

**LSQ data**  
 left: 100 ppm penergetic t  
 (weight < 120kg)  
 right: control

### Results

Group	BF3	BF4	b	LSQ	LSQ avg.
Control	35	30	90	0.36	
	30	30	90	0.33	0.35
100ppm penergetic t	25	15	80	0.25	
	20	10	90	0.16	
	25	15	100	0.20	
	20	10	80	0.18	0.20
150ppm penergetic t	25	20	85	0.26	
	25	10	80	0.21	
	15	15	70	0.21	
	20	10	70	0.21	0.22

### Conclusion

- Both, 100ppm and 150ppm penergetic t groups showed the benefit on carcass quality, as the deposit of back fat was more reduced in test, recorded data followed by LSQ standard when compared with control group (0.20>0.22>0.35 LSQ)
- In the treatment of penergetic t fattening, in both 100ppm and 150ppm groups the response of sex to carcass quality was shown. The results showed that female pigs had trend to increase carcass quality more than castrated pigs.
- The effect of penergetic t fattening both of 100ppm and 150ppm to the pigs' final weight showed that the pigs lower than 120kg weight had trend to respond better to the product than the pigs over 120kg weight

### Conclusion concentrate

- The results showed that there was no effect on carcass quality by increasing dosage rate from 100ppm to 150ppm
- There was no interaction between control and penergetic treatments, if the pigs are kept in the same house.

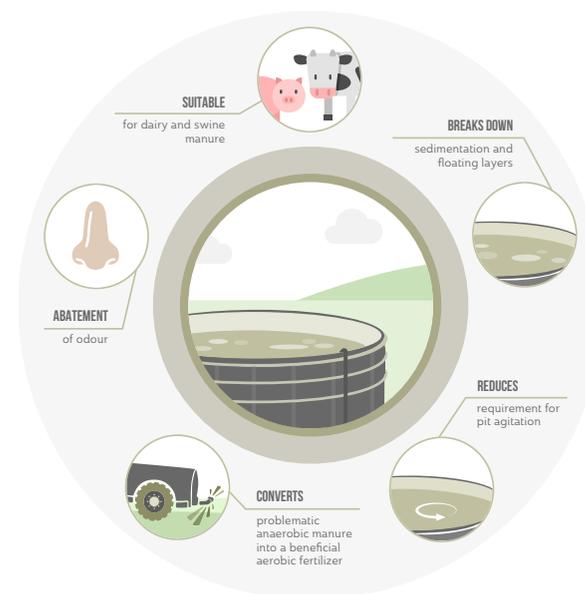
# Manure penergetic g

*Farmyard manure (liquid manure, slurry). One or more of these valuable fertilizers are produced on all farms. Careful and good preparation ensures sustainability on the soil.*

penergetic g is used as a rotting aid in liquid manure. As a result, the consistency of the liquid manure is optimized and becomes homogeneous and flowable. Aerobic activation reduces floating and sinking layers and leads to a reduction of odour emissions. The liquid manure becomes a valuable fertilizer and causes less chemical burns.

#### **Benefits**

- Homogenisation of slurry and liquid manure
- Converts problematic anaerobic manure into a beneficial aerobic fertilizer
- Odour abatement
- Improved plant compatibility
- Improved stable climate
- Reduced requirement of pit agitation
- Less scorching of plants
- Easier assimilation of nutrients
- The nozzles of drag hoses clog up less
- Suitable for dairy and swine manure



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## Application of penergetic g in pig slurry and its effect in various crops

This study on slurry, was carried out regarding effects of penergetic g and penergetic t in stables and on field applications.

### Case 1. Pig slurry

#### Test Site: Hanul Farm

- Pig fattening farm with over 3,000 pigs
- Run by Young-tae Kim for over 20 years
- Located in Ham-An in Korea (about 380km south of Seoul)

#### Test Overview

- Period: Oct. 22, 2011 – Feb. 15, 2012 (4 months)
- Control / penergetic group: 500 pigs each with an average weight of ca. 18kgs
- All barns are above a slurry cistern/tank (slurry pig pen)

#### Test Products

- penergetic t: fed with fodder (60gr/mt)
- penergetic g: applied into slurry cistern/tank (once a week, 2gr/pig)

#### Results

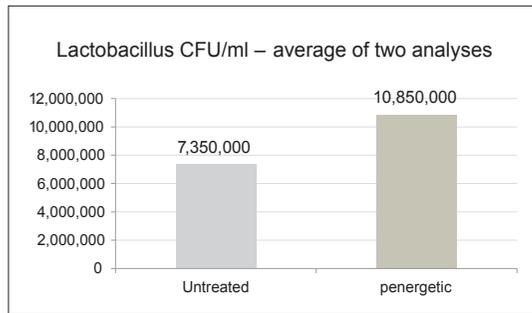
- Free-flowing slurry, no sediments,
- Floating layers of slurry dissolved, more homogeneous
- Increased microbial activity
- Much less cough
- Less hyperemia (red eye): control group (80%–90%), test group (10%–20%)
- Reduced unpleasant odors by 80%
- Better meat quality
- Decreased pig mortality
- Improved working conditions of farmers

#### Slurry in cistern



Control group and penergetic group

**More beneficial microorganism (Lactobacillus) in pigs' intestine**



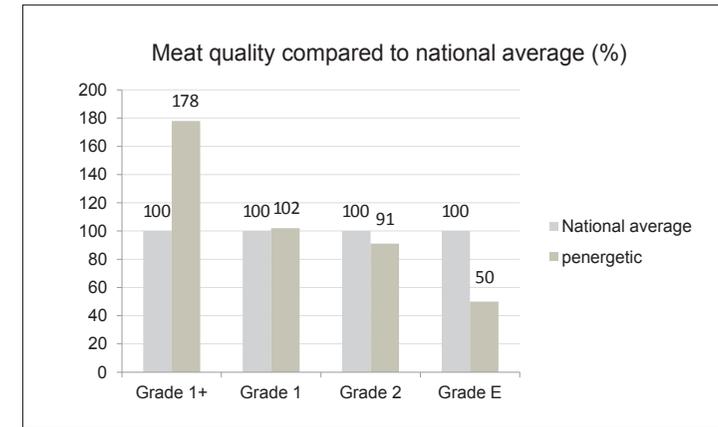
No pathogenic microorganisms detected in any of the analyses.

**Less nitrate, phosphate and potassium excreted due to improved feed conversion**

Parameter	Reduction in %
Nitrogen	12.4%
Phosphate	45.0%
Potassium	72.0%

All analyses by FACT, The Foundation of Agricultural Technology Commercialization and Transfer.

**Meat quality**



\* [ ] : Premium quality = % of Grade 1+ & Grade 1

National average based on 950,018 pigs.  
penergetic farm 360 pigs.

**Nasal cavity**



Control and penergetic group

Control group: more closed and blocked with mucous  
penergetic group: clear and normal

**Condition of lungs**



Control and penergetic group

Control group versus penergetic group:  
clear difference

**Thickness of intestines (health of internal organs)**



Control



penergetic farm

More than twice as thick.

**Condition of hind leg (overall health)**



Control



penergetic farm

The meat is firmer and grayish pink in penergetic group.

## Analyses hind leg

	Protein	Saturated fat	Unsaturated fat	Potassium
Control (A)	14.73%	37.92%	62.08%	2,344 <sup>16</sup> mg/kg
penergetic (B)	18.18%	35.57%	64.43%	2,795 <sup>60</sup> mg/kg
Comparison (B/A %)	123.4% (3.45%↑)	94% (2.35%↓)	103.8% (2.35%↑)	119.2% (451 <sup>44</sup> mg/kg↑)

## Case 2. Applications of liquid fertilizer from pig slurry

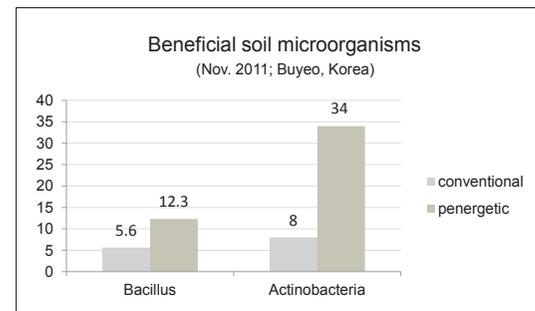
### Liquid fertilizer from pig slurry using penergetic products.

Product	Usage	Dosage
penergetic t	Feed additive	6kg/100mt fodder
penergetic g	Slurry treatment	10gr/LSU/week
penergetic k	Compost and soil treatment	3gr/m <sup>2</sup> on the barn floor after mucking out. Repeat each time after bedding.

Best results are obtained by using the products in combination if feasible.

### Benefits (with combined use of penergetic products)

- Reduce unpleasant odors and the occurrence of harmful insects and their larvae
- Significantly lower mortality rate and reduction of respiratory diseases
- Economical; reduce or eliminate the use of chemical additives
- Minimize groundwater pollution



Bacillus promotes plant growth. Actinobacteria speeds up decomposition of organic matter.

## Application cases

### 1 Rice cultivation

Mar-Aug, 2006 / Dangjin, Korea



Cultivated by Min-Hyung Cho; 10 hectare (used 25lt of liquid fertilizer per 3.3m<sup>2</sup>)



### Numer of stems (Aug 22, 2006)

left: Traditional cultivation / number of stems: 16.7  
right: penergetic treated slurry (replaced chemical fertilizer by 90%) / number of stems: 24.7 (+148%)

### 2 Potato cultivation

July 28, 2006 / Chuncheon, Korea

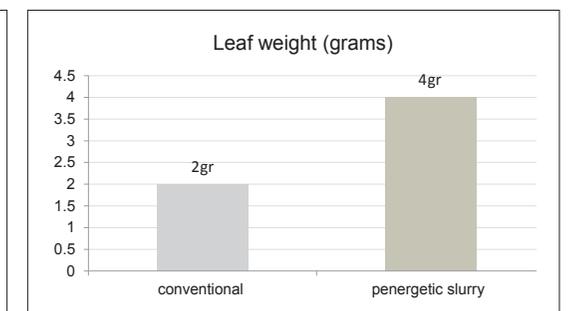
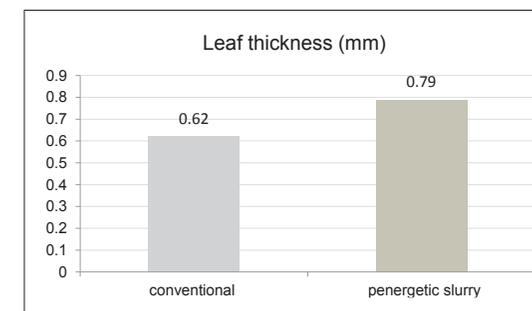


Cultivated by Jong-Sung Hong; 1lt hectare (used 50lt of liquid fertilizer per 3.3m<sup>2</sup>)



### Potato crop (10 stems)

left: Conventional  
right: Larger potatoes with penergetic treated slurry



*Nutritional values of the potatoes*

Parameter	Conventional (A)	penergetic Slurry (B)	Comparison B/A %
Fiber	0.51%	0.77%	151.0%
Starch	16.55%	20.45%	123.6%
Vitamin C	96.3ppm	125.3ppm	130.1%

Tested by Gangwon-do Agricultural Research & Extensions Services.

**3 Spinach cultivation**

Nov, 2010 – Mar 2011 / Buyeo, Korea



**Fertilizers used in greenhouses**

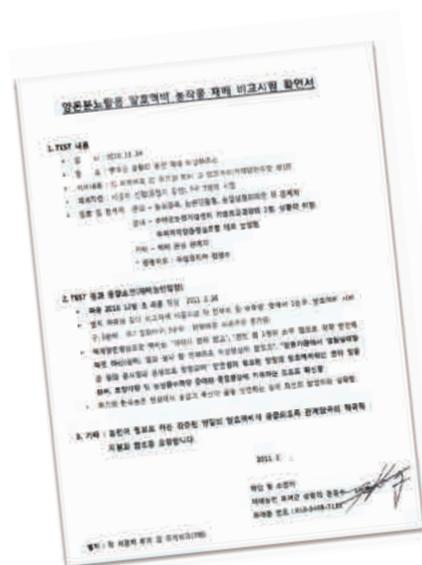
- A: Liquid = treated slurry with penergetic g / chemical / organic
- B: Chemical / organic / liquid = treated slurry with penergetic g
- C: Organic / liquid = treated slurry with penergetic g / chemical

Cultivated by Baek-Je Agricultural Association; used 40lt of liquid fertilizer per 3.3m<sup>2</sup>.



**Weight of spinach (based on 12 plants)**

- A: Liquid fertilizer (penergetic g) 430gr
- B: Organic fertilizer 320gr
- C: Chemical fertilizer 280gr



Certificate of Results

*Problems of heavy crusts on manure lagoons solved by penergetic products*

**Liquid manure – waste or natural fertilizer?**  
This is a recurring question. If the liquid manure has sedimentation or floating layers, this means a lot of work for the farmer. penergetic g is the solution!

**Lagoon Treatment with penergetic g/k**  
Treatment of a 400,000 gal lagoon (1,600m<sup>3</sup>)  
Location: Bow Area, Skagit County, WA  
400 dairy cows

**Protocol used**

- 72lbs (33kg) of penergetic g/k added to lagoon as shock treatment
- 6.5lbs (3kg) of penergetic g/k per week for 12 weeks
- Then 3.25lbs (1.5kg) of penergetic g/k per week = regular/maintenance application rate

**A: December 23, 2013**  
Prior to treatment, there was a heavy crust on the lagoon surface.

**B: January 3, 2014**  
11 days after treatment: The lagoon's liquid manure was bubbling, the previous crust submerged and dissolved already partially. There was no mechanical agitation involved!

**C: January 3, 2014**  
16 days after treatment:  
Further improvement in lagoon quality is evident.



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B



C

## Various results and observations from five farmers using penergetic g

### Statements from farmers in Finland about their many years of experience with penergetic g

First of all a short introduction about the use of Penergetic in various areas and the respective results of five customers.

#### The product

Formerly known as penergetic g/k – it concerns penergetic art.no. 2010 and art.no. 2210.

These products were mainly applied when a large amount of straw was within the manure/slurry. In Finland, the beddings are generally put into the pits. Therefore, these products are optimal for our market.

#### Cow and pig slurry

Recommendation:

1<sup>st</sup> week: 2kg/100m<sup>3</sup> weekly

2<sup>nd</sup>–5<sup>th</sup> week: 1.5–2kg/100m<sup>3</sup> weekly

Subsequent: 1kg/100m<sup>3</sup> additional new slurry

Blocked canals and bottom layers: 2kg/100m<sup>3</sup> until slurry is free flowing

#### Pig slurry

Empty canals: 1kg/100m<sup>3</sup>

Repeat after drained out.

### Information about some prices in Finland

- Diesel fuel costs about € 0.80/liter excluding taxes. When stirring a slurry tank with e.g. a 100 horsepower tractor, they spend about 15–20 liters fuel per hour. When farmers can save working hours with slurry stirring it also means spending less money; 1 hour is 15 x € 0.80 = € 12 minimum.
- For instance NPK 27-3-5 (N = 27%, P = 3%, K = 5% including) fertilizer costs about € 310 per 1,000kg without taxes. When farmers are able to decrease every year some 10 kg/ha fertilizers that means savings! E.g. 50 kg/ha less is € 0,31 x 50 = € 15,50. Farmers spread 25–30 m<sup>3</sup> per hectare slurry. With a 1,000 m<sup>3</sup> slurry tank, they need 40ha of fields. 40 x € 15,50 = € 620. This we experience every year. Savings are increasing and use of chemical fertilizer diminishes.

With these two facts in the “slurry handling”; farmers realize continuously very good results and have a considerable advantage when using penergetic g.

### Farmer who uses penergetic since 2016

#### Jussi Kinnunen, Keihärinkoski

- No need to stir canals. Works incredibly well.
- We spread slurry in springtime. First to one block only, where the grass grows very strongly. Even though we had a cold weather period.
- Reduction of fertilizer: 30%!

Total amount: about 700m<sup>3</sup> slurry per year.

### Farmer who uses penergetic since 2013

#### Olli Ervasti, Sotkajärvi

- Yes, it works well. Before we needed a machine to stir the canals, but not anymore.
- There is less ammonia in the stable.
- Much less flies in the stable.
- There were oxygen bubbles in the outside tank. Slurry is homogenous and has a dark green color. Much, much better than before!

Total amount: about 600m<sup>3</sup> slurry per year.

### Farmer who uses penergetic since 2007

#### Veijo Saarikoski, Teuva

- The slurry is good. No top layer in the slurry tank.
- For the ‘third grass crop’ we spread only slurry and it grows well.
- We can also use ‘the third grass crop’ for silage. Still good quality for the cows.

Total amount: about 1,000m<sup>3</sup> slurry per year.

### Farmer who uses penergetic since

#### January 2013

#### Tero Tirkkonen, Nilsjä

- August 2014: “Now I have to believe that it works. There was no layer in the outside slurry tank. It was easy to stir. The slurry does not make any dregs to the bottom as earlier. Grass is growing well.”
- August 2016: “This is great. I have seen that there is no need to make extra work with the

slurry. We notice more effective fertilizing effect. We have grass fields and it seems to work very, very well. I appreciate that we can get good crop and plenty of grass silage to our dairy cows from our nearest fields.”

- August 2017: “I have decreased fertilizers of the second grass crop (the first one was conventional). We can see a remarkably good effect in the fields. There are many many worms in the field. I can see them when I am ploughing. The soil is also fluffier than before.”

Total amount: about 800m<sup>3</sup> slurry per year.

### Farmer who uses penergetic since 2015

#### Harri Pakarinen, Rautalampi

- In grass silage, D-values are good. They have been 750 and 650.
- The consultant of the slaughterhouse calculates how much more protein has to be added to the silage. This has to be very little.
- In the winter, 2017/2018 we even didn't need to add protein to the silage at all.
- The slurry runs/moves better in the canals.
- There is no need to stir the slurry tank as much as before.

Total amount: about 300m<sup>3</sup> slurry per year.

## Three analysis to evaluate the quality of manure

Suckler cow liquid manure is very viscous and tends to have floating layers. Furthermore this is associated with odour emissions. penergetic g was applied to improve the entire situation.

An average 15–25 suckler cows are kept at the farm on Lake Zurich. The slurry tank is underground and covered. At the time of the first sampling, the tank was about ¾ full. The first sample was taken without prior treatment. Immediately after sampling, penergetic g molasses was stirred once into the slurry tank 10 weeks before second sampling. After second sampling, follow-up treatment was performed weekly for one year until the third sampling.

### Analysis liquid organic fertilizers

Parameters	09.02.2017 without penergetic	28.04.2017 once penergetic	26.04.2018 weekly penergetic	Unit	Method
Dry Matter TS 105°C	1.50	1.70	5.70	%	D-TS-Ibu
Ash residue 500°C	38.40	35.90	30.70	%	D-AS-Ibu
Ash loss 500°C	61.60	64.10	69.30	%	D-AS-Ibu
Carbon Corg	357.30	371.90	401.70	gr/kg TS	D-AS-Ibu
pH-value	7.58	7.67	7.00		pH-orgDüngerflüssig-Ibu
Entire N after Kjeldahl	71.30	63.80	37.00	gr/kg TS	NKjeldahl-Büchi-Ibu
Ammonium-nitrogen N-NH4	38.40	38.00	14.30	gr/kg TS	N-NH4-Büchi-Ibu
C/N-ratio	5.01	5.83	10.85		Calculation
Phosphorus P	8.62	9.45	7.89	kg/mt TS	AD-KW-ICP-Ibu
Phosphorpentoxyd P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	19.75	21.65	18.07	kg/mt TS	Calculation
Potassium K	137.00	120.00	53.90	kg/mt TS	AD-KW-ICP-Ibu
Potassiumdioxyd K <sub>2</sub> O	164.68	144.61	64.99	kg/mt TS	Calculation
Calcium Ca	21.20	23.80	19.50	kg/mt TS	AD-KW-ICP-Ibu
Magnesium Mg	7.47	7.13	5.97	kg/mt TS	AD-KW-ICP-Ibu
Sulfur S	5.59	5.55	4.51	kg/mt TS	AD-KW-ICP-Ibu

### Chemical analysis of three slurry samplings with and without penergetic g

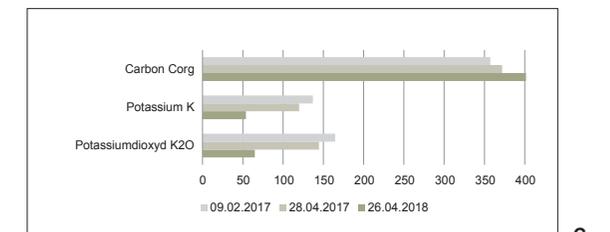
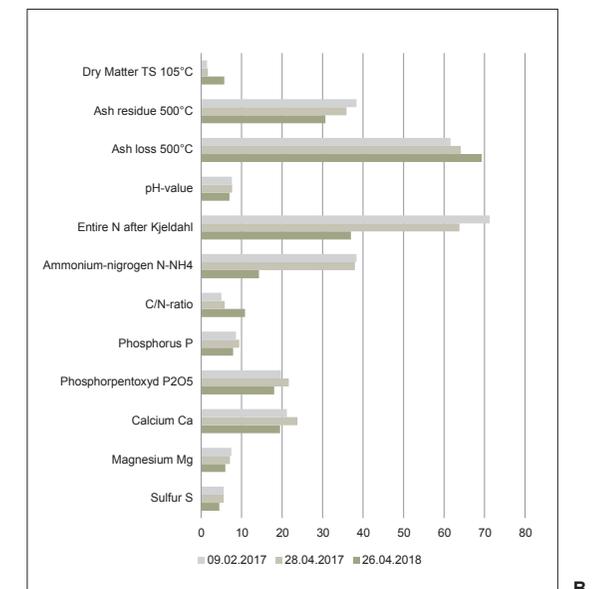
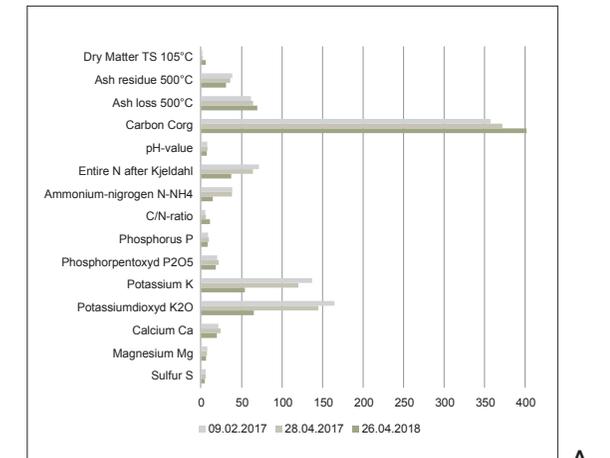
The purpose of this experiment was to analyse the chemical composition of the manure and to determine changes due to the influence of penergetic g. The analyses were carried out by the Laboratory for Soil and Environmental Analysis Ibu in Thun/CH.

- No treatment before first sampling in February
- One treatment of 2lt/100m<sup>3</sup> ten weeks before second sampling end of April
- Weekly 2lt/100m<sup>3</sup> for new manure during one year until third sampling

### Observable changes

The farmer noticed that the slurry was less smelly and more fluid. This has reduced the stirring effort. The floating layers have been reduced.

### Graphic view of the analysis, entire and divided



### Graphic view of the analysis, entire and divided

A: The respective units

B+C: To make the differences between the samples easier to see, the parameters are divided into two graphs below.

## *Persistent floating layer are dissolved with penergetic g/k*

**Floating layers causes additional agitating costs for farmers. The layer on this farm was 1.5m thick and didnt dissolve any more.**

### **Farm details**

The Schlunegger family produces goat's and Tomme cheese. The farm is 50 hectares in size and is located approximately 800m above sea level.

### **Animal stock**

- Approx. 200 goats
- Approx. 80 fattening pigs
- Approx. 20 cattle

### **The problem**

- Strong floating layers
- Strong odour

The slurry consists of 90% pig slurry and 10% cattle slurry. Three years before we treated

the slurry with penergetic g, which resulted in reduced odour but did not solve the main problem of the floating layer. After analysing the slurry and related factors in detail, we decided to use penergetic g (pig slurry). Even though odour was reduced even more, the floating layer remained.

We were very surprised about how persistent the floating layer was. Measures that would usually lead to perfectly homogeneous slurry were only partially successful, so we needed to take stronger action: penergetic k! The rotting process had to be the solution to this problem. In May we scattered additionally to penergetic g – 2kg of penergetic k across the floating layer. At our next visit at the start of August, we noticed that the floating layer was already half dissolved. At that point in time we scattered another 1kg of penergetic k and arranged to visit again in early November.

In early November we saw bubbles coming up where the surface was liquid. This showed that the microorganisms were working hard.



Condition of the slurry without penergetic



Condition of the slurry after penergetic g was applied



Condition of the slurry after penergetic g was applied. Supplemented by penergetic k (the bubbles that are forming show that the microorganisms are extremely active).



Photographs by Jürg Beerhalter

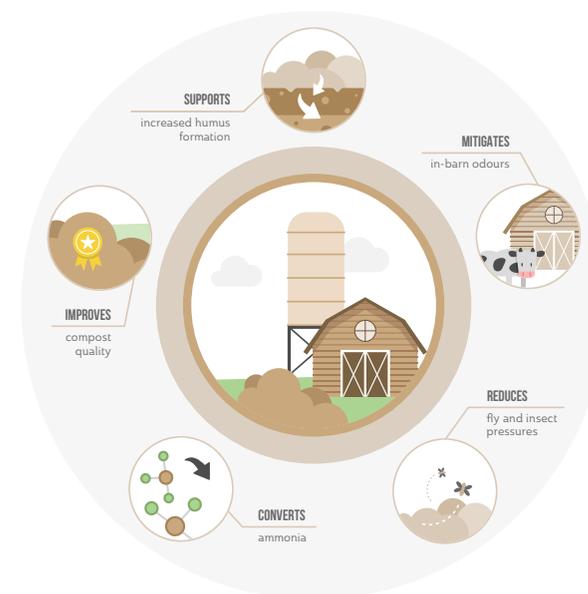
# Compost *penergetic k*

*penergetic k is a rotting agent for compost and bedding. The product promotes the degradation of organic matter and accelerates the rotting process. In barns it improves the sanitation and climate.*

The product reduces the unpleasant odour from compost or manure to a natural level. The composting process itself is accelerated and optimized, the final product (humus) becomes enriched by the aerobic rotting processes.

## **Benefits**

- Stimulates the composting process
- Stabilizes rotting processes
- Improves stable climate
- Reduces ammonia emissions
- Supports increased humus formation
- Mitigates in-barn odours
- Reduces fly and insect pressures
- Accelerated development
- Less machinery work needed
- Reduced environmental pollution



## Practical experience reports

- 137 — 139 Manure composting in Canada
- 140 — 141 Composting in Canada



## Better and faster rotting of manure and higher valued fertilizer for plants

In this comparison of manure with and without penergetic k, the advantage of faster decomposition and significantly less odour is clearly demonstrated.

**Dosage recommendation**  
40gr/m<sup>3</sup> penergetic k

### Results

#### Characteristics of manure treated with penergetic k

- Lighter, drier texture
- Brown colour with white fungi evident
- Drier and less clumpy
- Practically no odour

#### Characteristics of untreated manure

- compact, heavy texture
- Brown, greenish colour
- Pasty and humid
- Emits a slightly nauseous odour



**above:** Characteristics of manure treated with penergetic k (22°C)  
**below:** Characteristics of untreated manure (13°C)

#### Germinating radish seed with and without penergetic k treated cow manure

- longer roots (+13%)
- larger root mass (+34%)
- more uniform growth (+37%)
- larger vegetable mass (+61%)
- improved germination (+4.2%)
- less evidence of water stress
- a continuation of rapid root growth



**left:** Control  
**right:** with penergetic k

## Foliage waste transformed into valuable fertilizer within 21 days



left: Compostable material in works yard. No decomposition after 1+ year.  
right: Same raw material now 21 days after composted with Penergetic k.

The City of Sherbrooke (population 250,000) decided to initiate a city-wide composting operation. The problem was that, after two years of collecting leaves and other raw materials from householders, their municipal works yard was full of compostable material which was not breaking down/decomposing properly (and they were running out of storage room).

Seeking a solution, the City approached Eric Schaffner of Solutions Penergetic. The mandate from the City of Sherbrooke was clear: “to compost the material they were collecting as fast as possible to create space for new raw materials to arrive.”

A test was conducted with 2,000 tons of leaves that had been stored for one year. The compacted leaf material was put in windrow, half of which Penergetic k was applied on, at a rate of 50 grams per m<sup>3</sup>. The windrows were mixed with a Bacchus windrow and turned again after 15 days.



Temperature after one week  
left: Penergetic 60°C  
right: Control 40°C

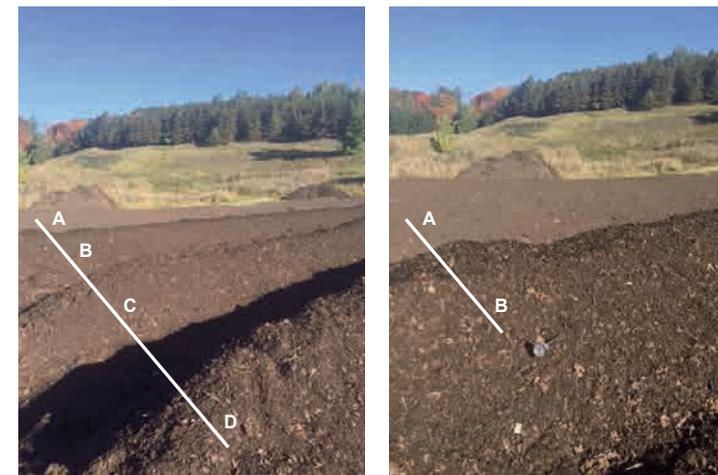
### Result

#### The Penergetic k treated compacted leaves composted successfully in 21 days!

Besides noticing “no odour from Penergetic-treated compost”, the City has undertaken no further technical analysis as for them the most important thing was increasing the “through put” of compostable material through their municipal works composting yard. This, the Penergetic k did very successfully and, as a result, now all material to be composted gets treated with Penergetic k. The finished compost, so created by the City of Sherbrooke, is used for their own purposes – for flower pots, urban landscaping, etc.

Subsequently, they have observed that: provided the ambient air temperature was suitable when Penergetic k was added, the composting process got underway quickly. Furthermore, once the process was started, even if the exterior of the pile became much colder, the composting process continued inside the piles (windrows) – as the temperature there remains higher.

“Before treating with Penergetic k, the material after more than one year of storage was only at the beginning of the composting process. We found large blocks of compact leaves still almost fully intact.”



A: Control  
B-D: Penergetic

# Water vitalisation AquaKat

## Take advantage of biostimulation with the PENERGETIC technology for vitalized and structured water.

The AquaKat is a physical device, which forwards a previously programmed frequency pattern to the water. The water responds to frequencies and gets through this restructured and vitalized. The vitalized water transports the ingredients better into the metabolic system of an organism, which makes e.g. chemical agents even more effective. This could lead to a considerable reduction of spraying agents.

### Benefits

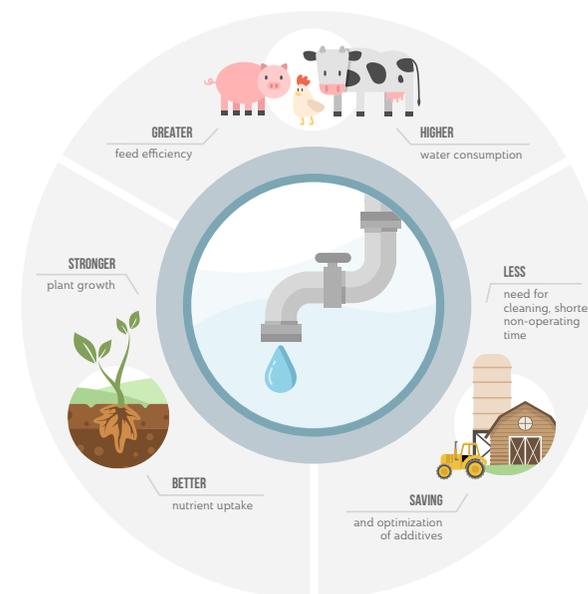
- Beneficial to humans, animals and plants
- Better assimilation of water
- Lime and other deposits are easier to remove
- No installation costs & maintenance-free
- No energy consumption – neither magnetic nor electric

### In livestock

- Increased water intake
- Increased performance
- Additives dissolve better
- Supports sustainability

### In plant cultivation

- Better nutrient uptake
- Stronger plant growth
- Contribution to increased yield
- Reduced fertilizer use
- Supports sustainability



## Practical experience reports

- 144 — 145 Dairy Farms in Canada
- 146 — 147 Herbicide spray in Germany
- 146 — 147 Swine Farms in the U.S.A.

## Problems solved of water quality in the tank for drinking water supply in dairy

**The water used for watering dairy cows has a large influence on milk quantities. If the cows don't drink enough, the amount of milk is lower. This can be improved by fitting an AquaKat.**

### Dairy farm, 180 cows

- Improve water quality
- Avoid harsh chemicals
- Achieve better health and performance

There has been great success at reducing the hardness of water using the AquaKat. It can be used to address iron in the water and eliminate hydrogen sulphide. Since animals like the better taste of the water, they drink more. Based on tests, an average 1.5 litres increase in milk production per cow per day and reduced use of detergents in the milk parlour has been observed.

The AquaKat XL has a capacity of 6,000 litres per day, means one AquaKat XL per 60 cows. This usage calculation is based on 100 litres per cow per day (more for regular milk cows and less for cows during gestation). A difference was noticeable after one month, but it achieved its maximum effectiveness after three months. With respect to wash water in the milk parlour, it is much easier to clean up after milking with the AquaKat water. There was one farmer who forgot to use detergent one day and he noticed that it was just as effective (with just the AquaKat water) as when he used soap.

In the case of water from a groundwater source, we recommend that some penergetic w (for groundwater) be used – at a rate of 2.5kg every 3 months – suspended in the well or storage tank in a flow through filter cloth bag (so the product slowly dissipates to the water supply).

### Alberta Organic dairy farm, 400 cows

- Algae problem in water tank solved. The iron-derived algae bacteria sludge in a water tank could be resolved simply by installing an AquaKat XXL.



Water tank (inside) before using AquaKat

## 30% less herbicide spray agent with AquaKat

The AquaKat is a device that can be easily fitted to the sprayer. Due to its effect on the water structure, spray agent can be better dissolved in the spray liquid and the amount of spray agent required can be reduced. An active and simple contribution to nature protection.

### Dates

Herbicide spraying (Atlantis) in winter wheat with AquaKat. A hitch sprayer with 2,000 liter filling volume and 21 m spray width was used for spraying. From the herbicide (Atlantis) 350ml/ha were sprayed.

### In the experiment were compared

- Herbicide 30% reduced with AquaKat and without AquaKat
- Herbicide at full cost with and without AquaKat



22.04.15 reduced without AquaKat (left)  
reduced with AquaKat (right)



28.04.15 reduced without AquaKat (left)  
reduced with AquaKat (right)



22.04.15 full herbicide without AquaKat (left)  
full herbicide with AquaKat (right)



28.04.15 full herbicide without AquaKat (left)  
full herbicide with AquaKat (right)

## Less odour and easier cleaning of filters aswell calmer animals with AquaKat

### Swine Farm, Minnesota 1

- Less water filter cleaning
- Less smell in the barn
- Improved feed conversion



The operator tells that before installing an AquaKat he would have to clean the water filter on the main water line every two weeks as the filter filled with sediment shutting off the flow to the barns. Since the AquaKat has been installed there has been no build-up of sediment even after more than 6 weeks. He also noticed that the swine drank more water, that they were calmer and that feed conversion was improved. Another noticeable result was the reduced smell in the barn. The operator himself now drinks water from the barn supply, as it tastes better than the one he has in his house, which is on the same water source.

### Swine Farm, Minnesota 2

- Noticeably calmer / healthfulness pigs
- Less smell in the barn
- Bubbling in the liquid manure
- Visibly better conditions

The property contains 3 barns with swine close to market weight. The barns are identical in terms of genetics and age of animals, feed rations and water. One barn was equipped with two AquaKat XL on the water line. As shown in the table below there were big differences noticeable simply by changing the water.

### Comparison between barns at Swine Farm, Minnesota 2

Observations	Control Barn	AquaKat Barn
Disposition / Demeanour	Nervous, irritated, jumping up on one another	Calm, appeared relaxed
Hide Coloration	Grey	Pink
Tail biting / scratches	Yes, easy to spot evidence of both	No tail biting evident, one scratch
Coughing	High incidence, various animals	one coughing animal
Odour	Strong, pervasive pig house odour	Noticeably fresher smelling
Slurry condition (through slats)	Still, nothing evident	Bubbling, active



# Penergetic Technology

***The Penergetic Technology is based on physical principles. All of life, including growth, actions and thoughts are not possible without electrical impulses and magnetic waves. The Realization that every atom, molecule, compound and substance has its own electro-magnetic frequency led to the development of the Penergetic Technology.***

**We have been able to transmit selected frequencies to suitable material under controlled conditions of electromagnetic induction. This leads to a modified electron status of the material, which was treated with the Penergetic Technology. The penergetic products emit the selected electro-magnetic frequencies to the area of application and generate the desired effect.**

**Electrical impulses and magnetic waves make life possible**

Utilizing the potential in agriculture: principles that have been successfully used in the treatment of humans for decades can now also be utilized in agriculture with penergetic products.

***Application of frequencies.  
And properties.***

**Programming selected properties**

The programming is not limited to single frequencies or characteristics. Several frequencies can be combined simultaneously

on one product. Thanks to many years of experience, a selection of frequencies in combination with one another can be chosen today, which have already proven to be effective, to achieve more optimal results.

In agriculture, desired improvements such as better growth or resistance, can be stimulated with penergetic products. This biostimulation strengthens the whole organism and leads to an optimal use of the available resources and to an increase in quantity and quality of the products.

***“The application of penergetic products showed interesting trends in the development of plants. This should be further reviewed for a new approach in agriculture.”***

Prof. Dr. Maria R. Finckh  
Ecological plant protection, University Kassel



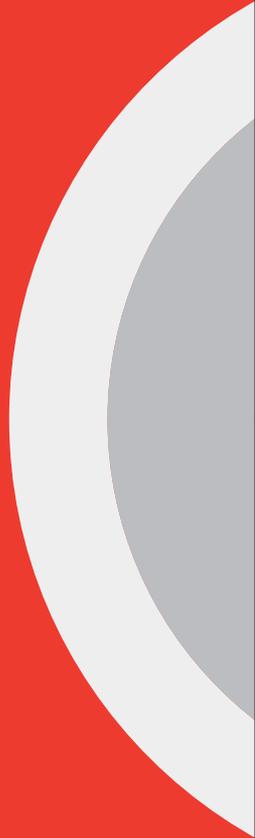
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