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KREOTEC Case Study GHG Emissions & Yield Barley Spain 2020

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**21% REDUCTION IN GHG EMISSIONS
PER TONNE OF GRAIN WITH
KREOTEC APPLICATION**



**27% INCREASE IN YIELD
IN KREOTEC TREATMENT
COMPARED TO CONTROL**

Barley Registration Trials – Spain
Results reported 13 November 2020

Objective of trial:

To evaluate the effects of KREOTEC on the yield of cereal crops (winter barley) through a replicated field trial.

Location: northeast of Spain, municipality of Torroella de Fluvia (Girona)

Treatments:

1. Control
2. KREOTEC applied at 200g/ha at 4-6 leaf stage

Relevant agronomy:

The soil was ploughed before sowing, with fertiliser applied at sowing. A standard rate of fertiliser (6-8-8 NPK) was applied at the rate of 1000 kg/ha across the whole trial.

This equates to:

- 60kg N/ha
- 80kg P/ha
- 80kg K/ha

Crop protection: 7/4/20 – Prosaro applied (2 actives)

No irrigation was used.

Sowing date: 11 December 2019

Harvest date: 15 June 2020

Relevant soil properties:

- Mineral N: 47kg N/ha
- Soil pH: 8.0 (1:2.5 water)
- Organic Matter: 2.41% (W&B test)
- Texture: sandy loam (47.6% sand, 22.9% silt, 29.5% clay)
- Drainage: adequate

Yield:

1. Control – 1,363 kg/ha
2. KREOTEC – 1,739 kg/ha

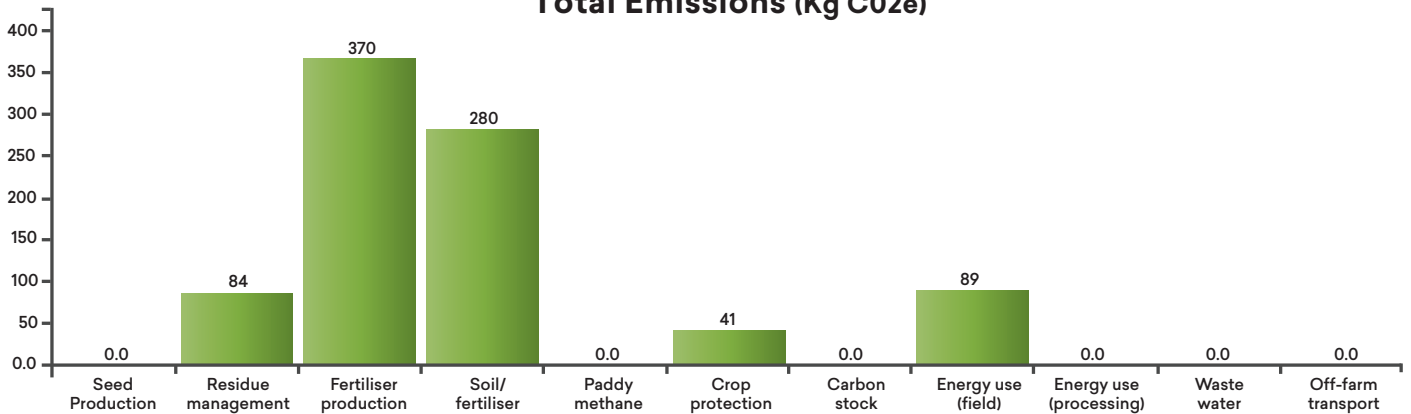
Greenhouse gas estimation:

The Cool Farm Tool (<https://coolfarmtool.org/>) was used to estimate GHG emissions (web portal, accessed 10 Dec 2020), using the parameters listed above.

CONTROL GHC EMISSIONS AND YIELD

EMISSIONS PER HECTARE 860.27 kg CO ₂ e	EMISSIONS PER KILOGRAM 0.63 kg CO ₂ e	YIELD 1,363 kg/ha
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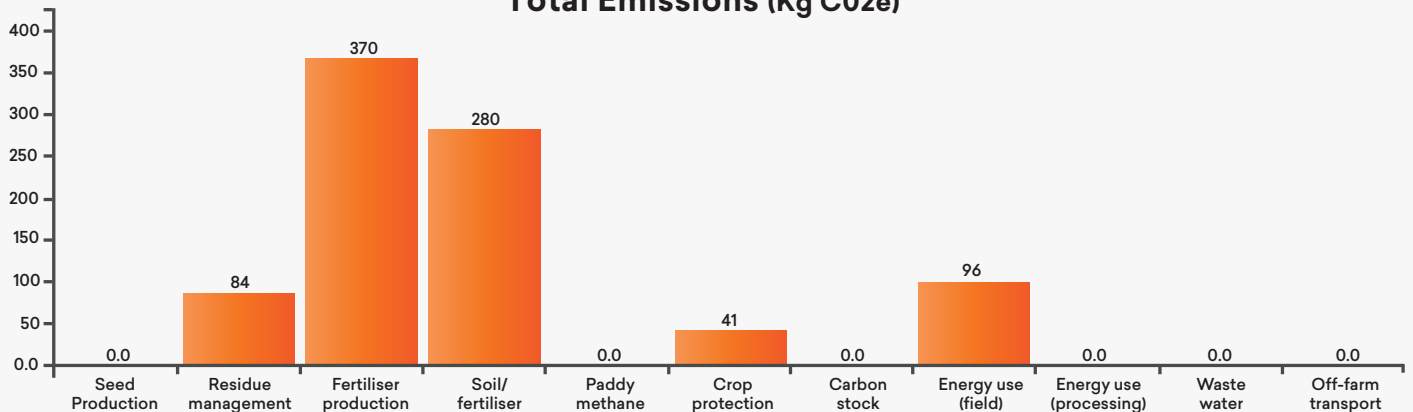
Total Emissions (Kg CO₂e)



KREOTEC GHC EMISSIONS AND YIELD

EMISSIONS PER HECTARE 867.23 kg CO ₂ e	EMISSIONS PER KILOGRAM 0.50 kg CO ₂ e	YIELD 1,739 kg/ha
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Total Emissions (Kg CO₂e)



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Control GHC emissions detailed data (all values in kg)

Sources	CO ₂	N ₂ O	CH ₄	Total CO ₂ eq	Per ha	Per kg
Seed production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Residue management	0	0.28	0	84.02	84.02	0.06
Fertiliser production*	365.68	0	0	365.68	365.68	0.27
Soil/fertiliser	0	0.94	0	280.38	280.38	0.21
Paddy methane	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crop protection	41	0	0	41	41	0.03
Carbon stock changes	0	0	0	0	0	0
Energy use (field)	89.19	0	0	89.19	89.19	0.07
Energy use (processing)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waste water	0	0	0	0	0	0
Off-farm transport	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Calculated with validated default values for fertiliser production.

KREOTEC GHC emissions detailed data (all values in kg)

Sources	CO ₂	N ₂ O	CH ₄	Total CO ₂ eq	Per ha	Per kg
Seed production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Residue management	0	0.28	0	84.02	84.02	0.05
Fertiliser production*	365.68	0	0	365.68	365.68	0.21
Soil/fertiliser	0	0.94	0	280.38	280.38	0.16
Paddy methane	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crop protection	41	0	0	41	41	0.02
Carbon stock changes	0	0	0	0	0	0
Energy use (field)	96.15	0	0	96.15	96.15	0.06
Energy use (processing)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waste water	0	0	0	0	0	0
Off-farm transport	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Calculated with validated default values for fertiliser production.



Photo 1. General view of the trial at the end of January.



Photo 2. General view of the test on the day of the application

Assumptions used in the calculation:

1. No land use, management or cover crop change in the last 20 years
2. All residue management is standard (default residue is 1.78t/ha)
3. Residue distributed, incorporated or mulched
4. Land size is 1ha
5. Soil type: coarse (sandy)
6. Soil moisture average: moist
7. Fertiliser manufactured in Europe (2014 benchmark)
8. Prosaro was applied post-emergent as a fungicide (with two active ingredients/doses)
9. No transport included

Diesel usage – based on best bet machinery selection from CFT

- Pre-sowing ploughing – disc harrows - 4.59 L/ha
- Sowing – grain drill, - 0.34 L/ha
- Fertiliser spreading – 7.6 L/ha
- Fungicide (biocide spraying) – 1.40L/ha
- Kreotec only – ('biocide spraying) – 1.40 L/ha
- Harvesting – combine – 19.36 L/ha

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