

Improving the growth and yield of crops in Europe and South America with polyhalite

杂卤石的施用促进欧洲和南美洲作物的生长和产量的提高

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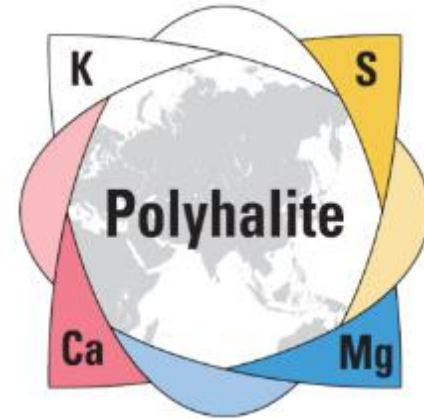
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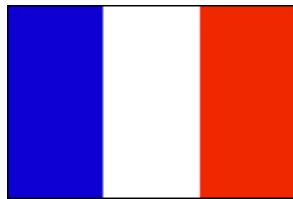
A New Potassium Fertilizer with Complete Secondary Nutrients

全中量元素解决方案



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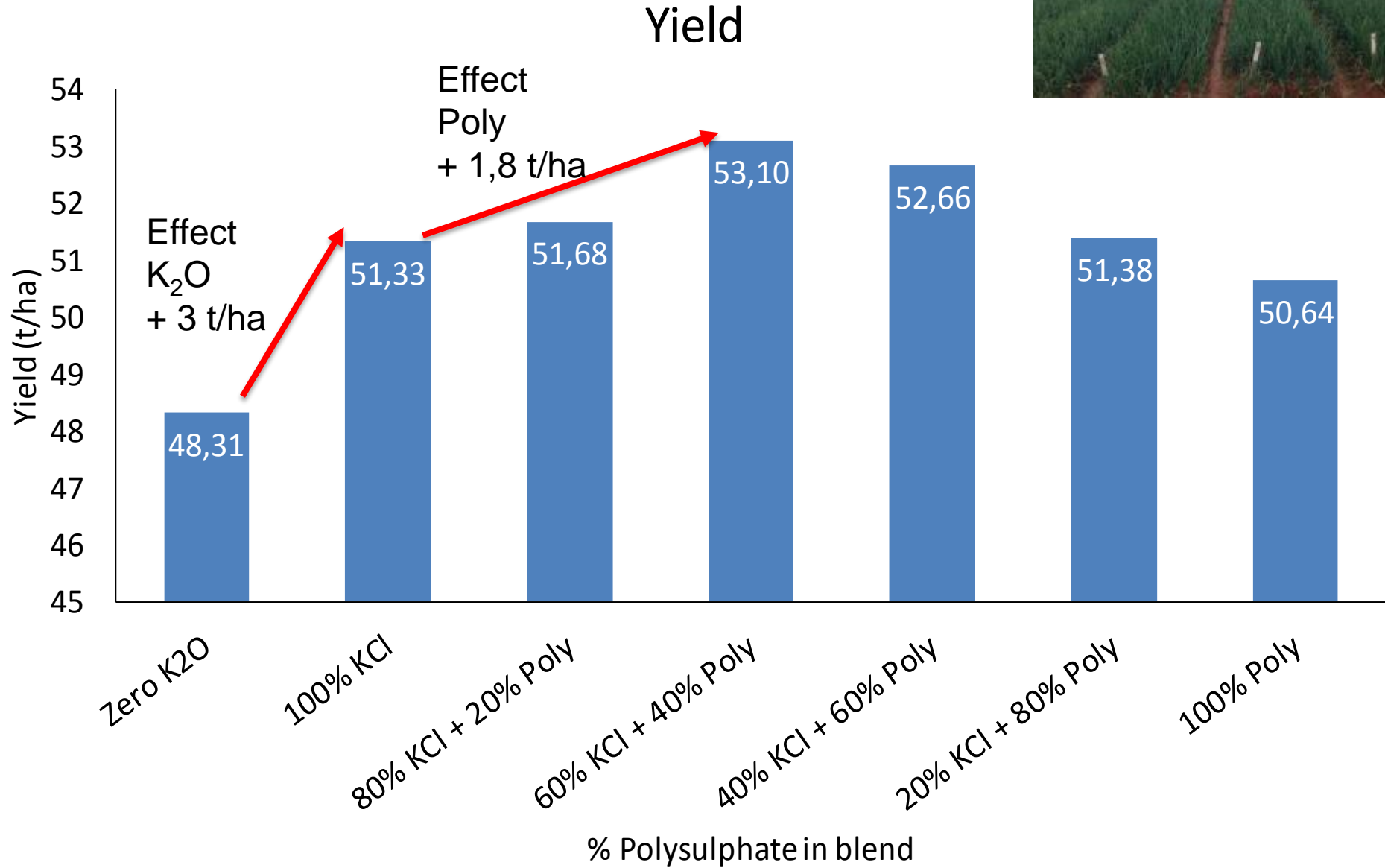
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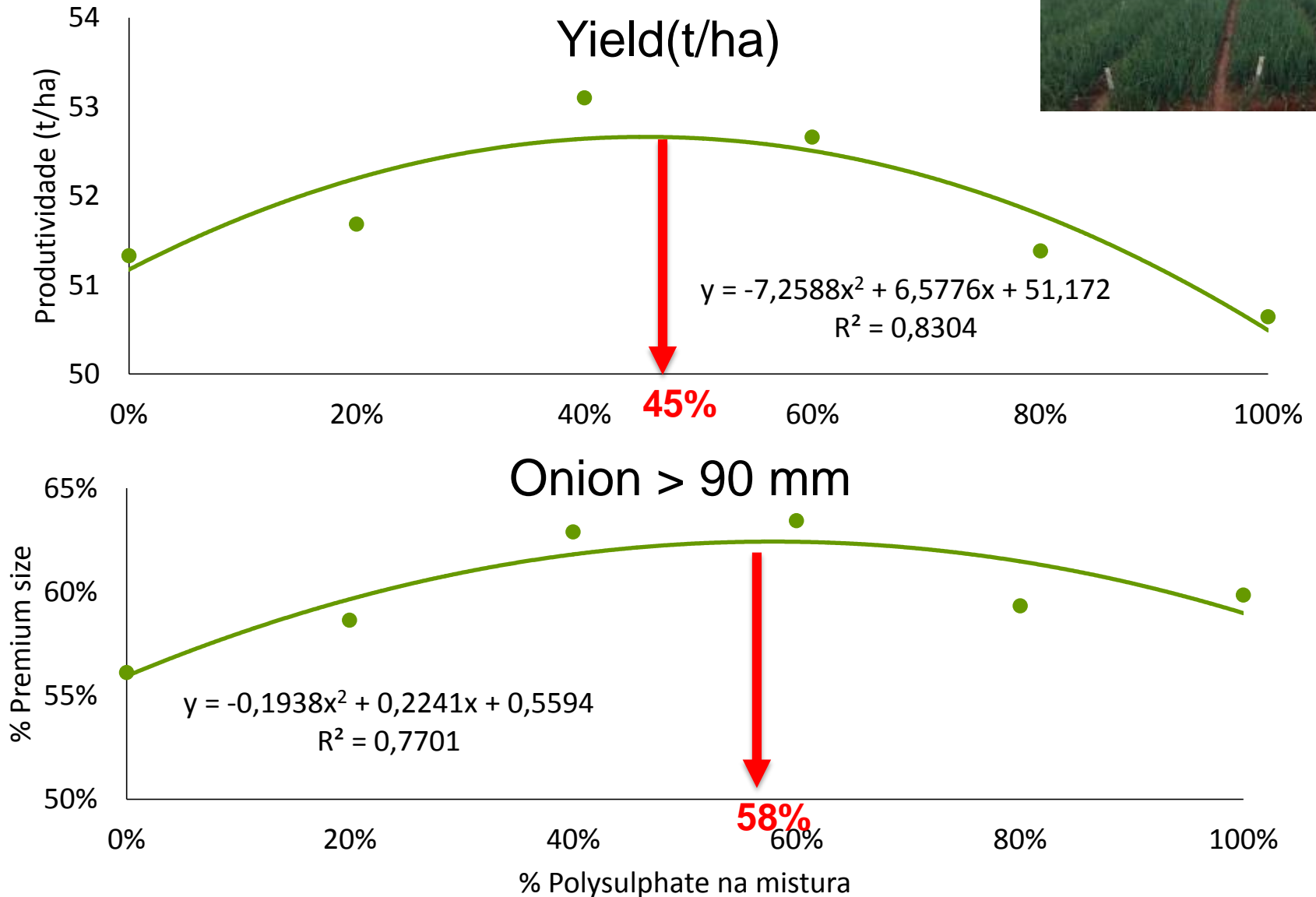
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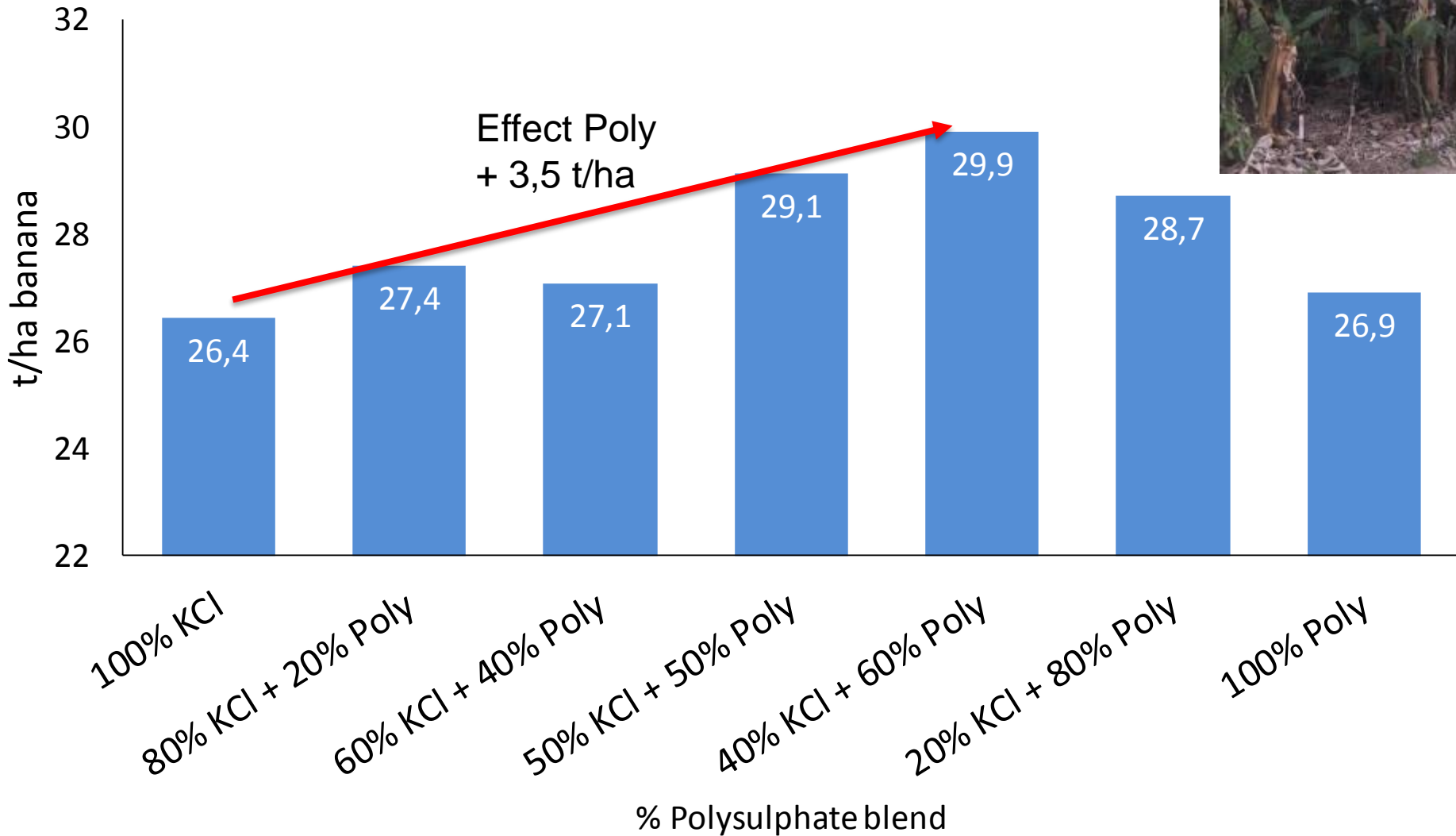
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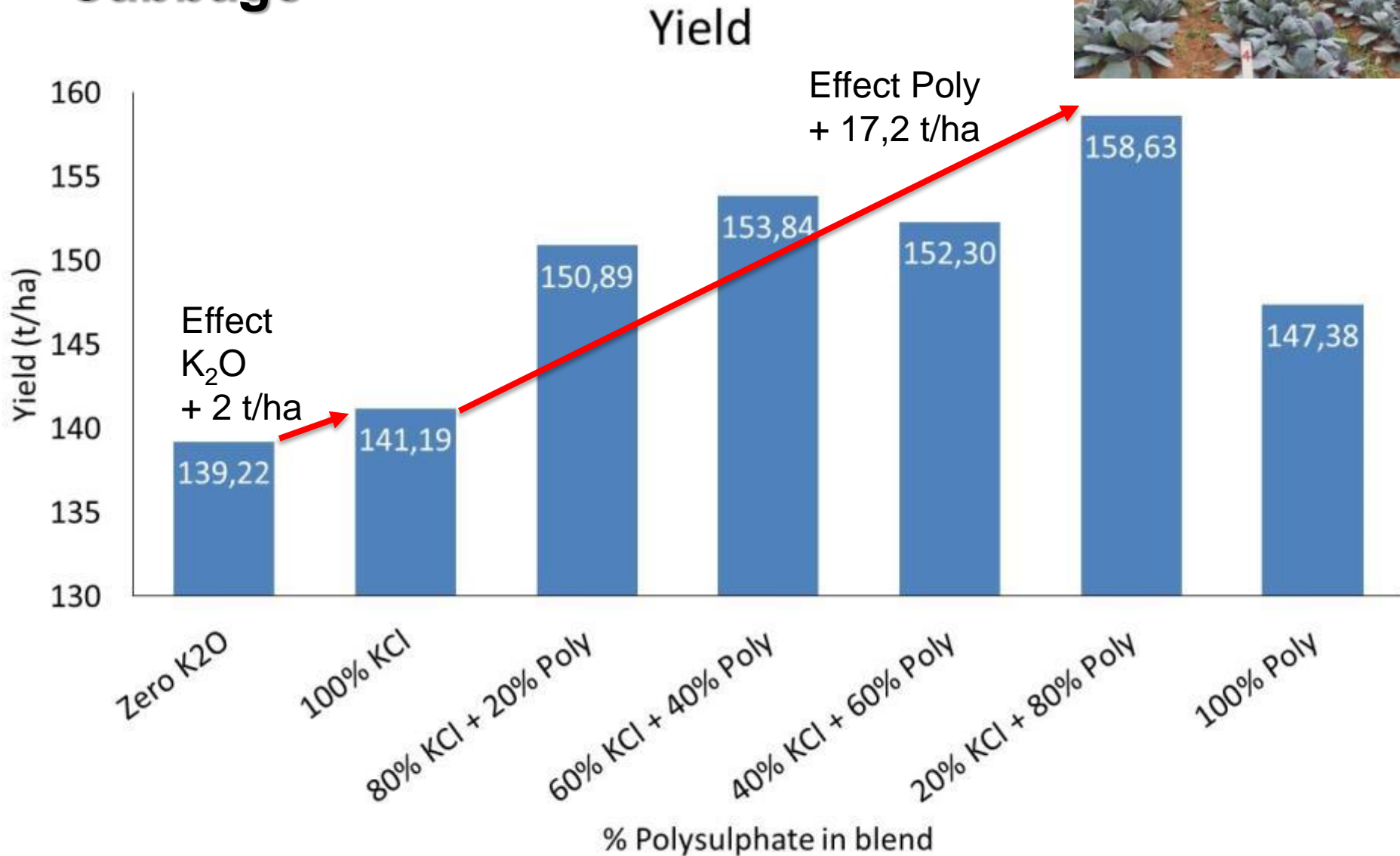
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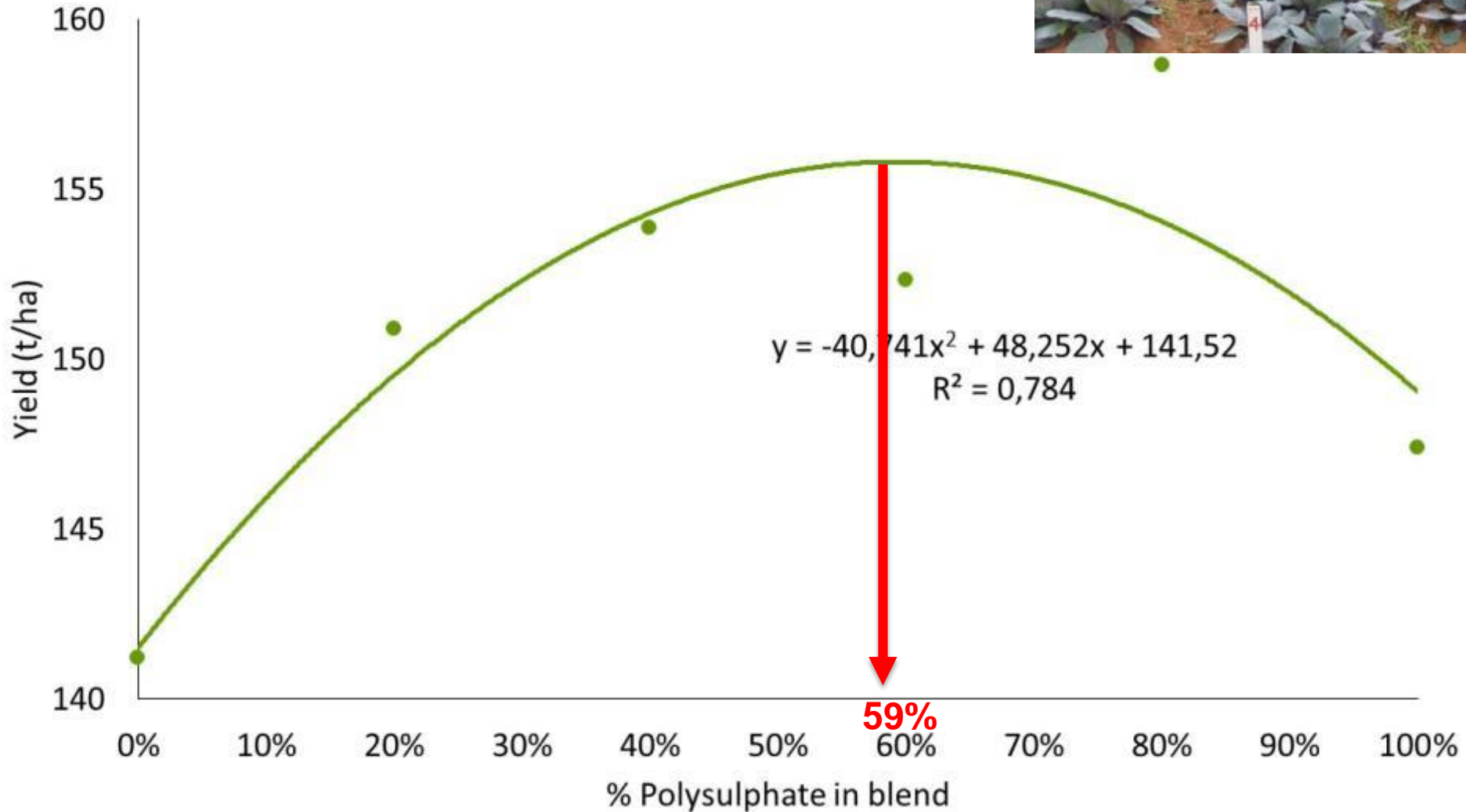
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Sugarcane Brazil

Ratoon, after second harvest

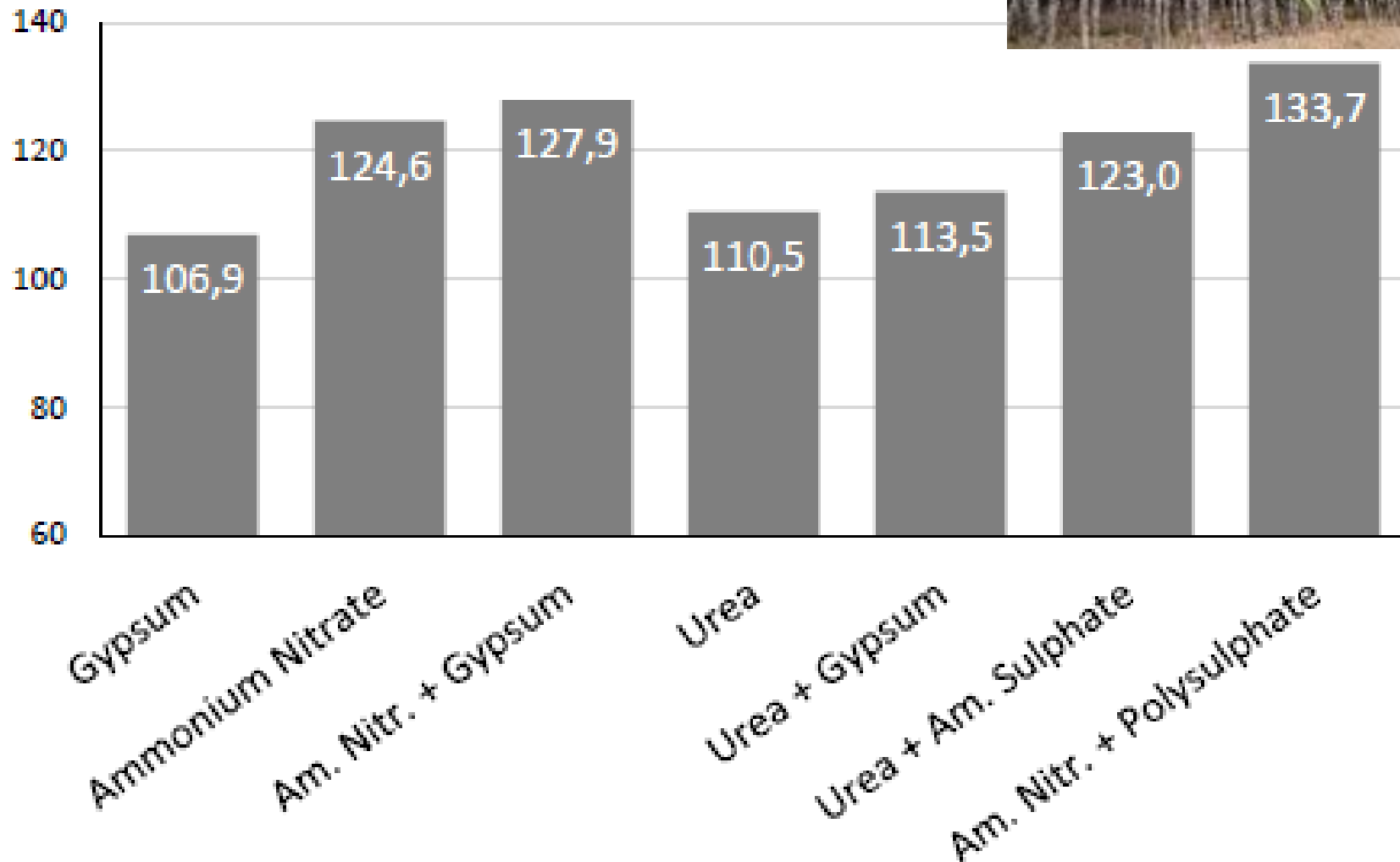


T	Ammonium nitrate	Ammonium sulphate	urea	KCl	Gypsum	Poly sulphate	S	Ca	Mg	N	K ₂ O
	kg/Mu										
1				13.3	67					0	8
2	25.5			13.3						8.7	8
3	25.5			13.3	67					8.7	8
4			19	13.3						8.7	8
5			19	13.3	67					8.7	8
6		8	15	13.3						8.7	8
7	25.5			11		10.5	2	1.3	0.4	8.7	8

Sugarcane Brazil



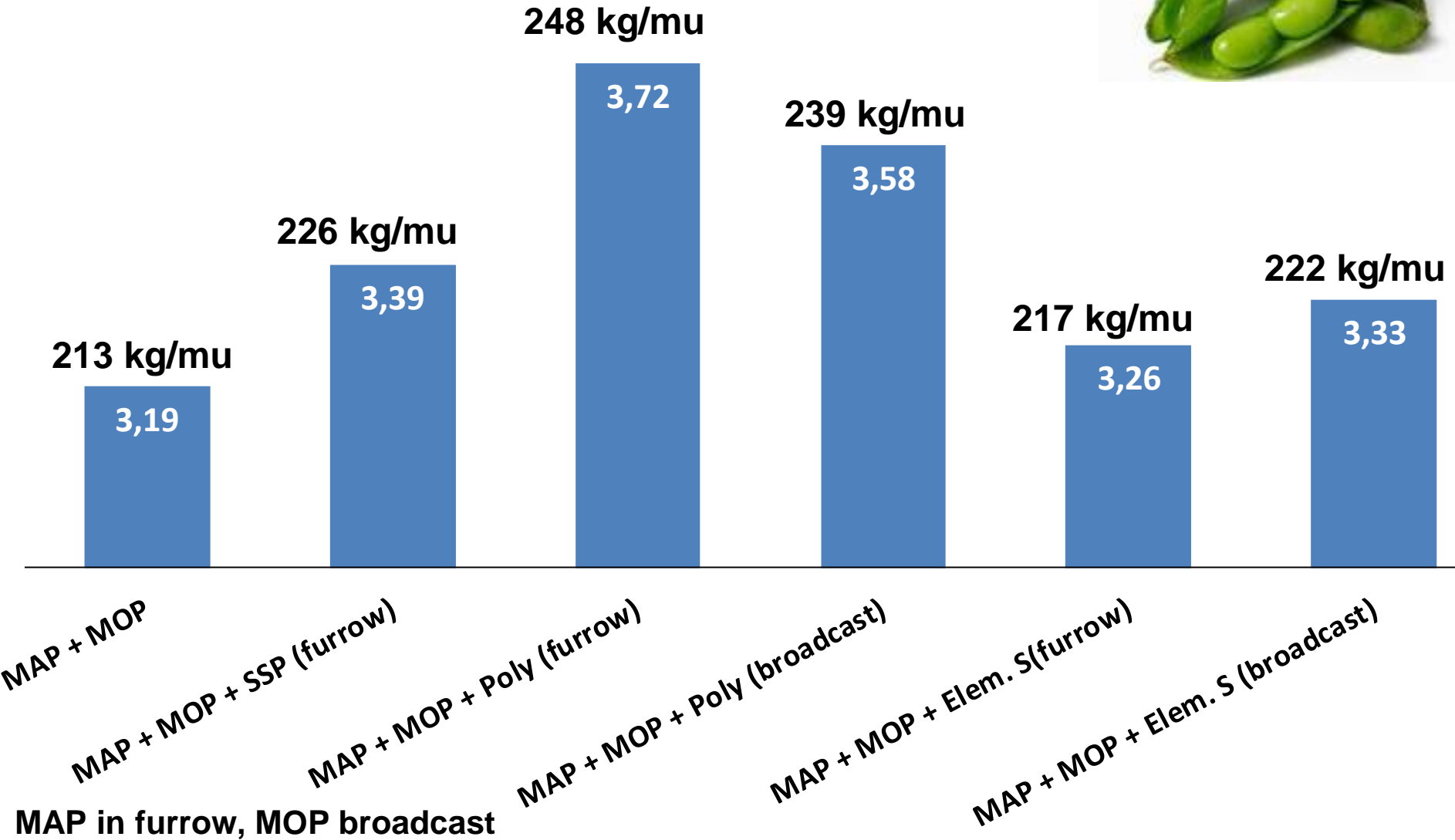
Yield (t/ha)



Soybean – Brazil



Grain yield (t/ha)



All treatments : 80 kg/ha P₂O₅ + 80 kg/ha K₂O

Treatments 2 to 6 :+ 25 kg/ha S

CALCIUM AND MAGNESIUM MOVEMENT IN SOIL PROFILE WITH POLYHALITE AS POTASSIUM FERTILIZER FOR SOYBEAN CROP

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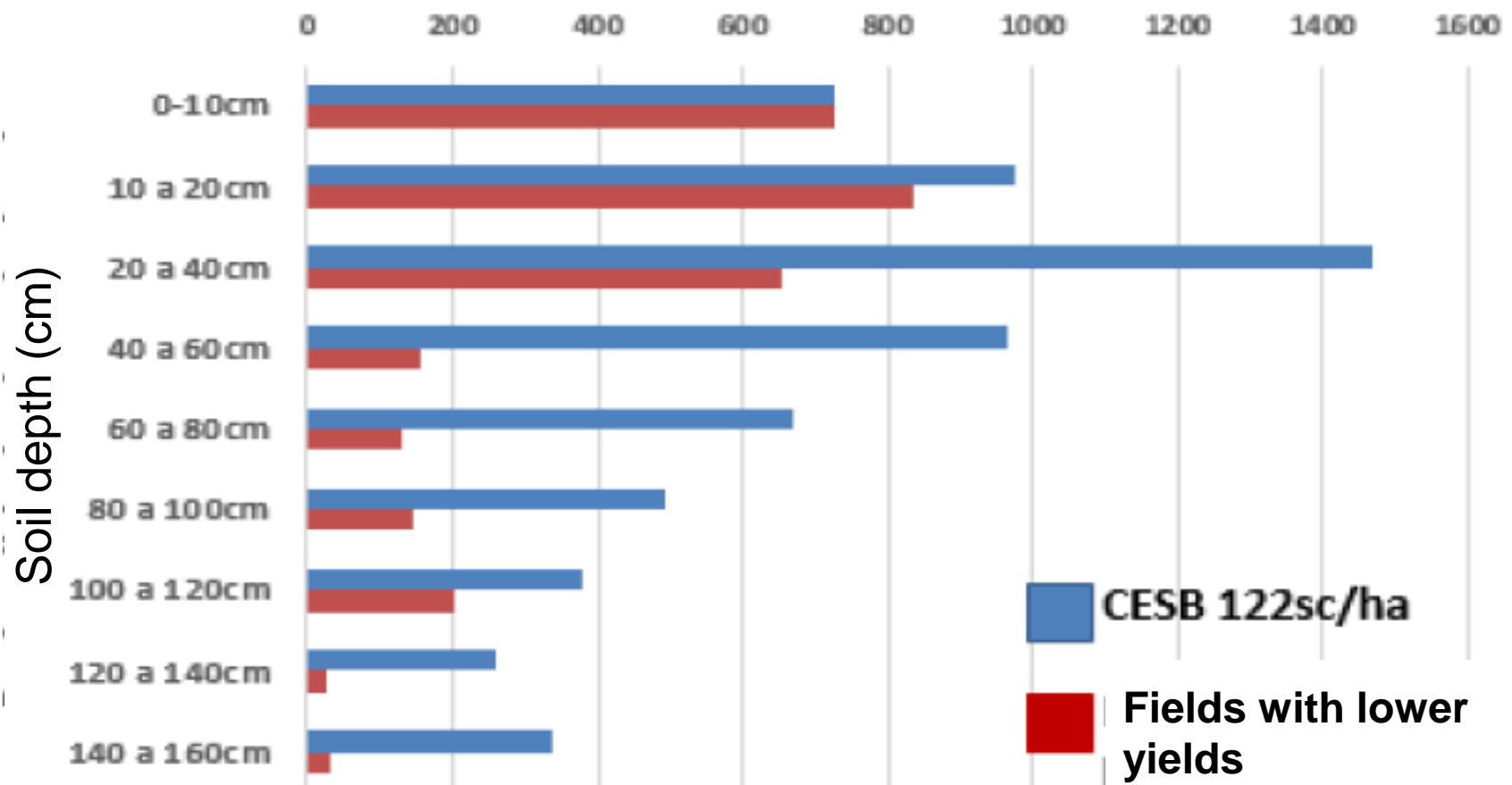


- No tillage system or minimum cultivation
- Limestone and fertilization in top soil
- Single fertilizers applied before sowing and broadcasted on top soil
- Fertility has been concentrated in top soil (0-5 cm) – P, Ca, Mg
- Root concentrated in top soil, problems in root development, high sensibility to water deficiency



Relationship: Root system x depth x Ca and Mg in soil x higher soybean yield

Root Length and depth (mm)

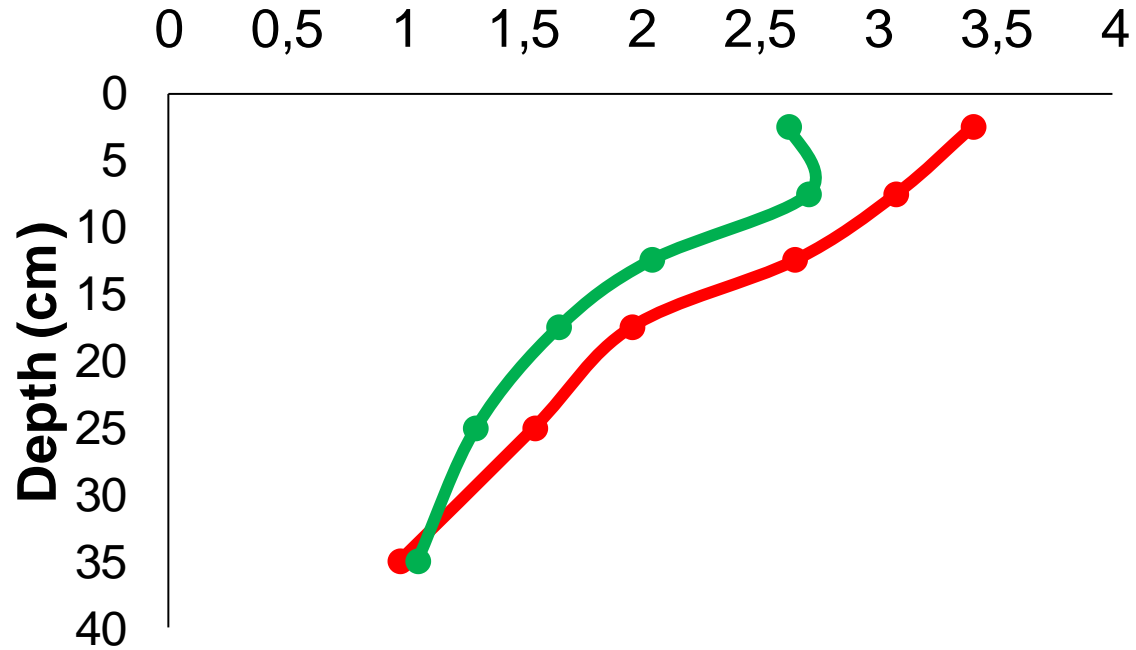


- Soybean sowed in pasture degraded area.
 - Two weeks before sowing = **2,5 t/ha of dolomite limestone.**
 - Sowing = **200 kg/ha of MAP onto furrow.**

Treatments	Additional fertilization		
	Timing	First trifoliolate (V1)	First flower (V6)
Top soil			
KCl		KCl (70 kg K ₂ O ha ⁻¹)	KCl (70 kg K ₂ O ha ⁻¹)
Polyhalite		Polyhalite (eq. To 70 kg K ₂ O ha ⁻¹)	Polyhalite (eq. To 70 kg K ₂ O ha ⁻¹)

- Sampling soil after soybean harvest (80 days after second fertilization), in the depths: 0-5 cm, 5-10 cm, 10-15 cm, 15-20 cm, 20-30 cm and 30 -40 cm.

Ca in soil (cmol_c dm⁻³)

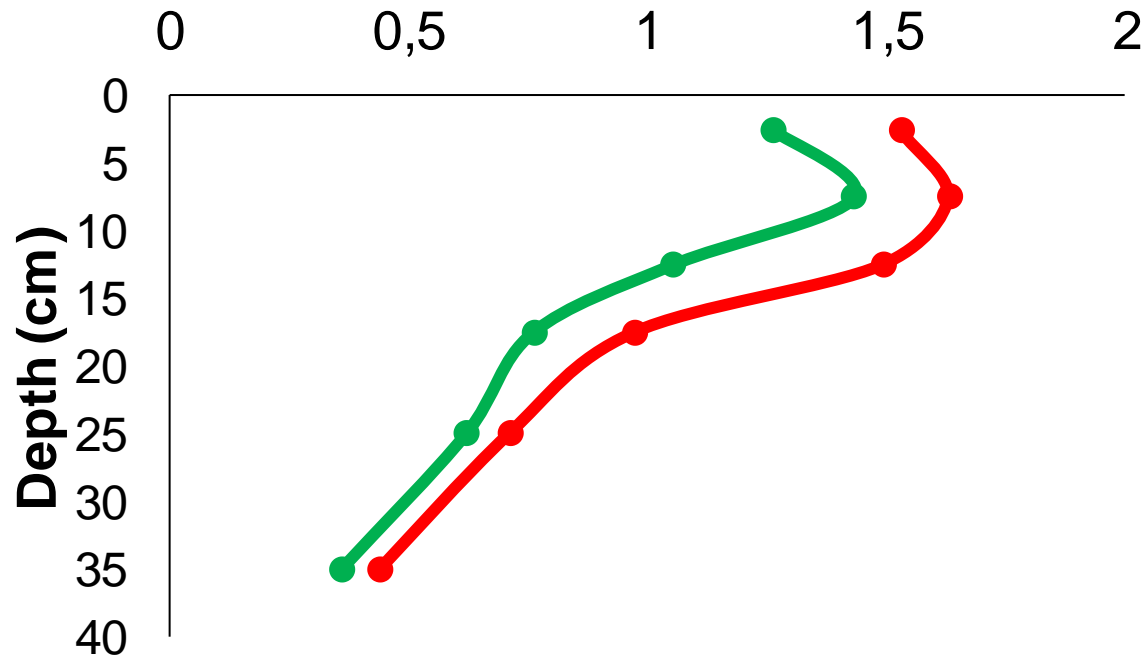


● Polyhalite ● KCl

Depth cm	Ca average (cmol _c /dm ³)		Increment in Ca availability	
	Polysulphate	Control	cmol _c /dm ³	%
0-5	3,40	2,62	0,78	29,8%
5-10	3,08	2,71	0,37	13,7%
10-15	2,65	2,04	0,61	29,9%
15-20	1,96	1,65	0,31	18,8%
20-30	1,55	1,30	0,25	19,2%
30-40	0,98	1,05	-0,07	-6,7%
Average for depths				
0-20	2,77	2,26	0,52	22,9%
20-40	1,27	1,18	0,09	7,7%

Vale (2016)

Mg in soil (cmol_c dm⁻³)

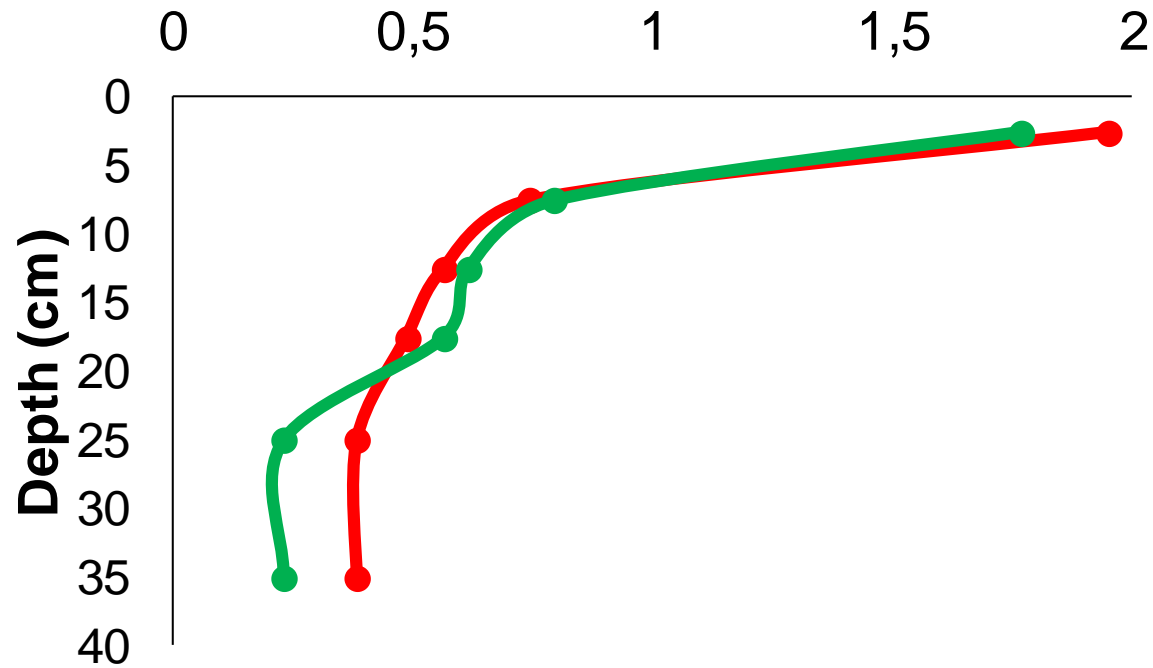


● Polyhalite ● KCl

Depth cm	Mg average (cmol _c /dm ³)		Increment in Mg availability	
	Polysulphate	Control	cmol _c /dm ³	%
0-5	1,53	1,26	0,27	21,4%
5-10	1,63	1,43	0,20	14,0%
10-15	1,49	1,05	0,44	41,9%
15-20	0,97	0,76	0,21	27,6%
20-30	0,71	0,62	0,09	14,5%
30-40	0,44	0,36	0,08	22,2%
Average for depths				
0-20	1,41	1,13	0,28	24,9%
20-40	0,58	0,49	0,09	17,3%

Vale (2016)

K in soil ($\text{cmol}_c \text{dm}^{-3}$)

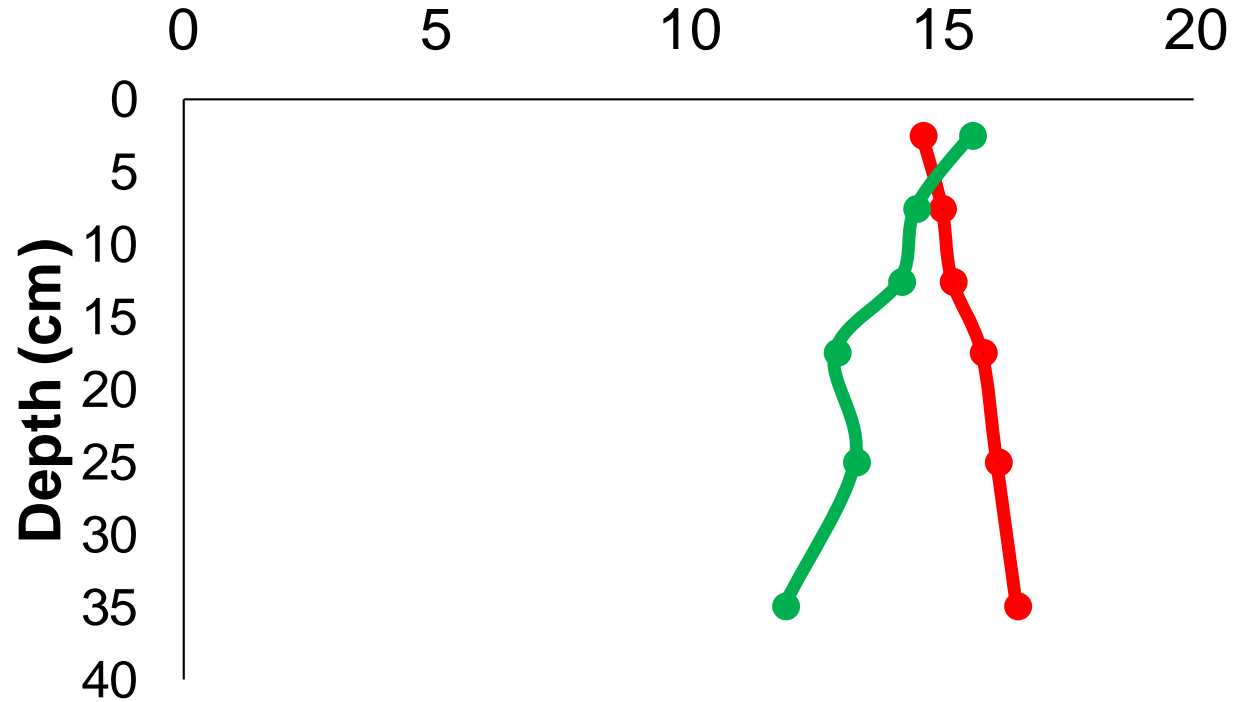


Depth cm	K average ($\text{cmol}_c/\text{dm}^3$)		Increment in K availability	
	Polysulphate	Control	$\text{cmol}_c/\text{dm}^3$	%
0-5	1,95	1,77	0,18	10,1%
5-10	0,74	0,79	-0,05	-6,5%
10-15	0,56	0,62	-0,05	-8,3%
15-20	0,49	0,56	-0,08	-13,6%
20-30	0,38	0,23	0,15	66,7%
30-40	0,38	0,23	0,15	66,7%
Average for depths				
0-20	0,94	0,94	0,00	0,0%
20-40	0,38	0,23	0,15	66,7%

● Polyhalite ● KCl

Vale (2016)

S in soil (mg dm⁻³)



● Polyhalite ● KCl

Depth cm	S average (mg/dm ³)		Increment in S availability	
	Polysulphate	Control	mg/dm ³	%
0-5	14,60	15,60	-1,00	-6,4%
5-10	15,00	14,50	0,50	3,4%
10-15	15,20	14,20	1,00	7,0%
15-20	15,80	12,90	2,90	22,5%
20-30	16,10	13,30	2,80	21,1%
30-40	16,50	11,90	4,60	38,7%
Average for depths				
0-20	15,15	14,30	0,85	5,9%
20-40	16,30	12,60	3,70	29,4%

Vale (2016)

Evaluation of polyhalite in soybean, maize and wheat soils of Argentina



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Wheat in Central Pampas, Argentina

Sandy Loam

pH: 5.9

Organic matter: 2.9 %

K: 480 ppm

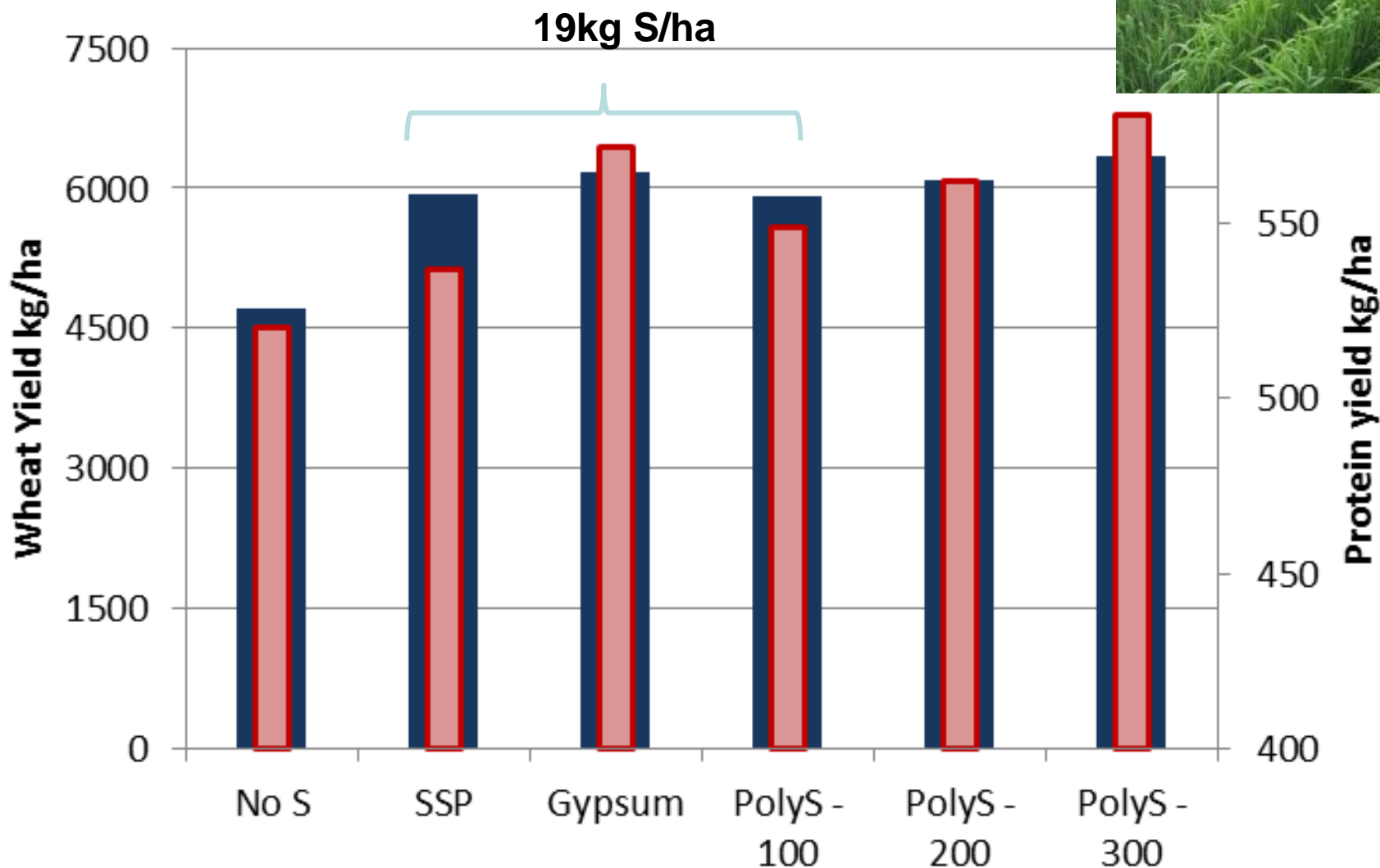
Mg: 270 ppm

S-SO₄: 7 ppm



Product	Fertilizer	N	P ₂ O ₅	S	K ₂ O	MgO
	kg/ha					
Check - MAP	58	6	30	-	-	-
Single Superphosphate (SSP)	158	0	30	19	-	-
MAP + Gypsum (34/66)	167	6	30	19	-	-
MAP+ Polyhalite (37/63)	158	6	30	19	14	6
MAP+ Polyhalite (22/78)	258	6	30	38	28	12
MAP+ Polyhalite (16/84)	358	6	30	57	42	18

Strong response to sulfur



Δ S: 1,371 kg/ha
29%

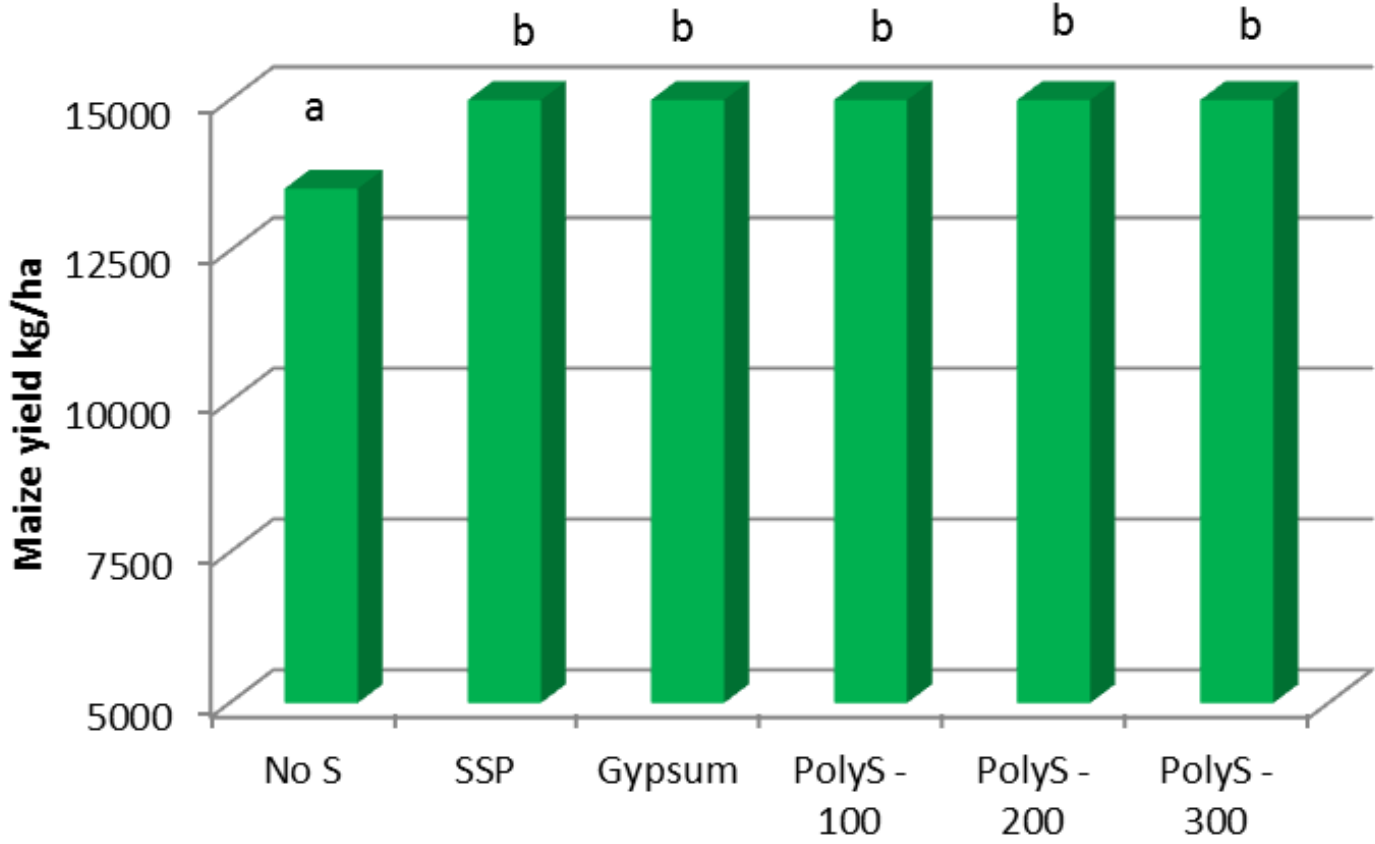
12 K
6Mg

38 S
28K
12 Mg

57 S
42 K
18 Mg

Maize Central Pampas, Argentina

Strong response to S



S: 1,822 kg/ha
3%

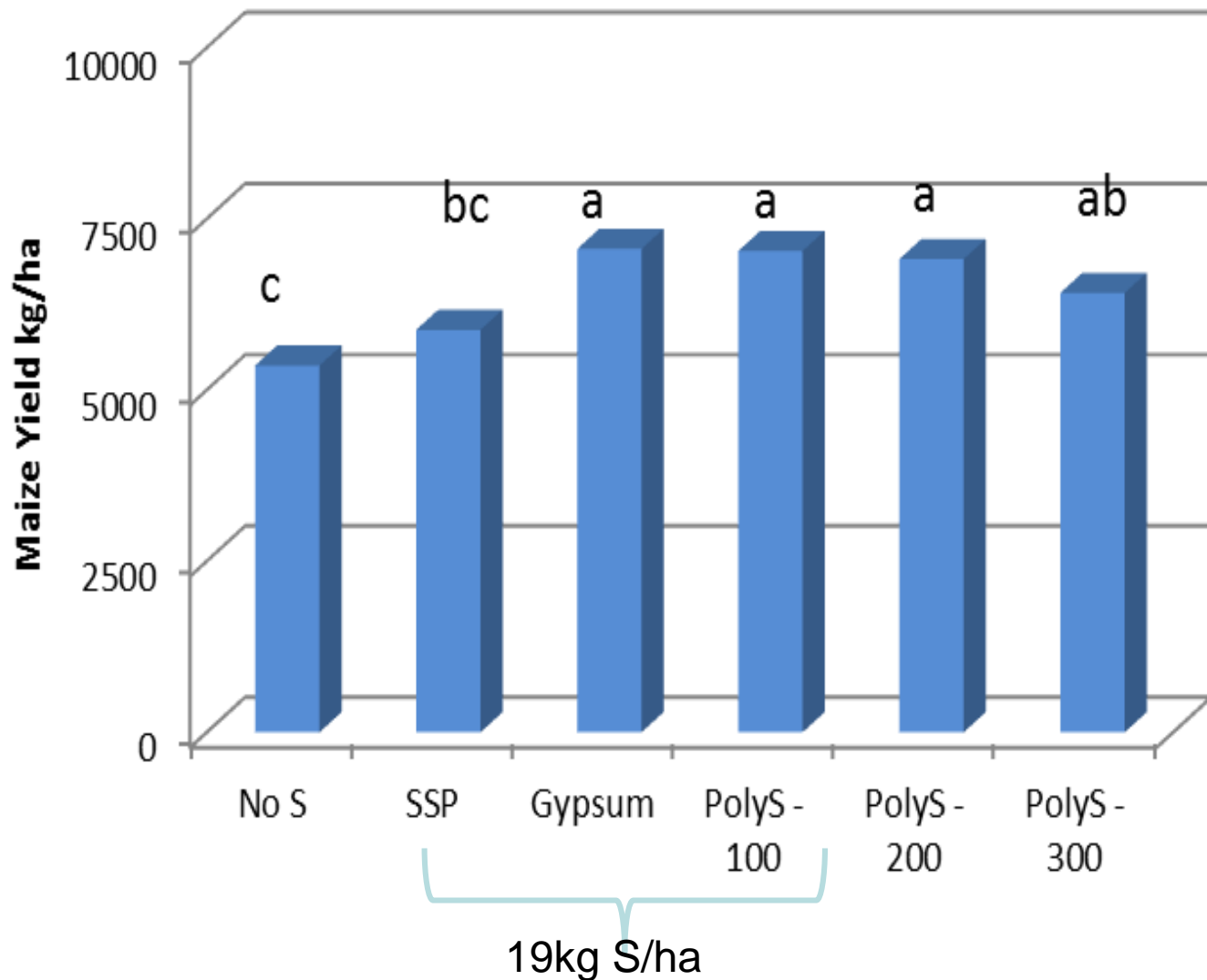
No trend or difference due to K & Mg

Soil:
Sandy Loam
pH: 5.8
Organic matter: 3.6 %
K: 440 ppm
Mg: 260 ppm
S-SO₄: 6,5

All treatments had the same P₂O₅
Soil K levels well above sufficiency

Maize in Northeast Argentina

Strong response to S



Δ S: 1,303 kg/ha
24%

Soil:

Sandy Loam

pH: 5.4

Organic matter: 3.2%

K: 195 ppm

Mg: 130 ppm

S-SO₄: 3 ppm

No difference due
to K & Mg

In spite of low soil K,
low yields
made K levels
sufficient

Soybean in Northeast Argentina

Soil

Sandy Loam

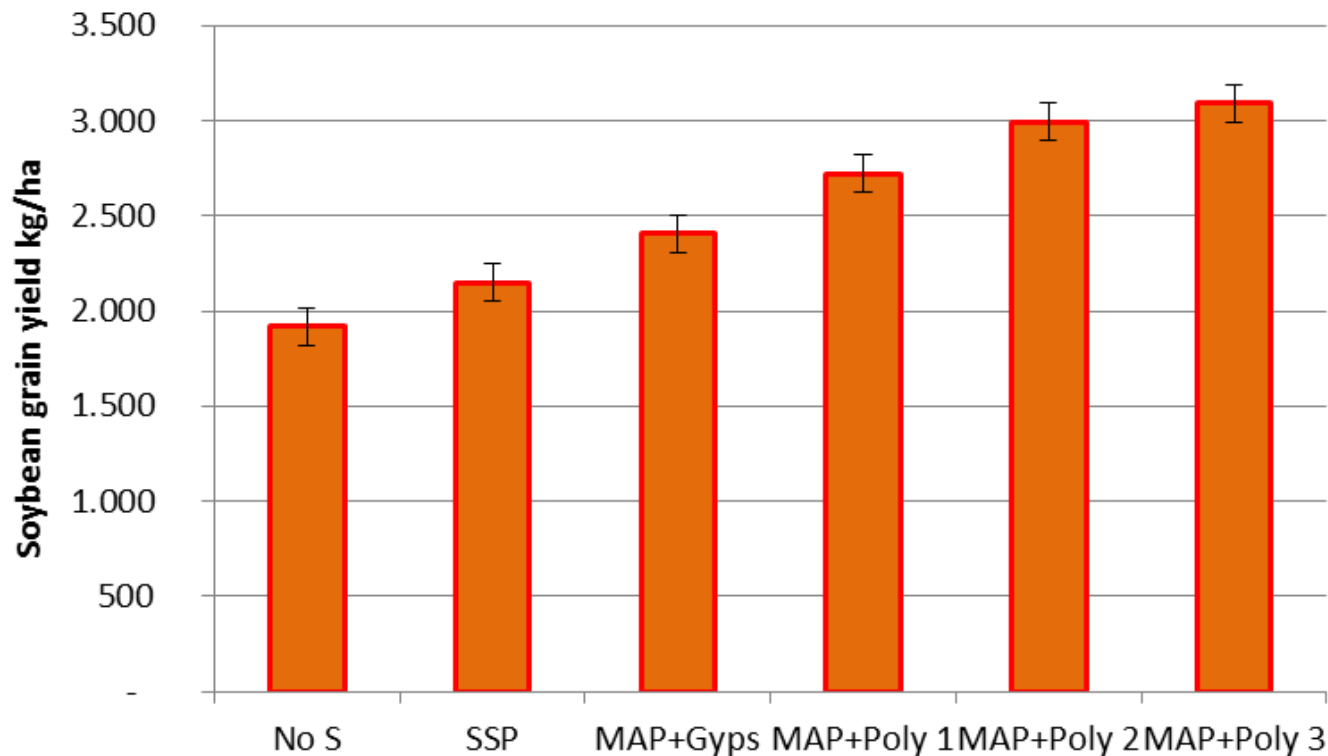
pH: 5.2;

Organic matter: 2.8 %

K: 90 ppm

Mg: 110 ppm

S-SO₄: 3.3 ppm



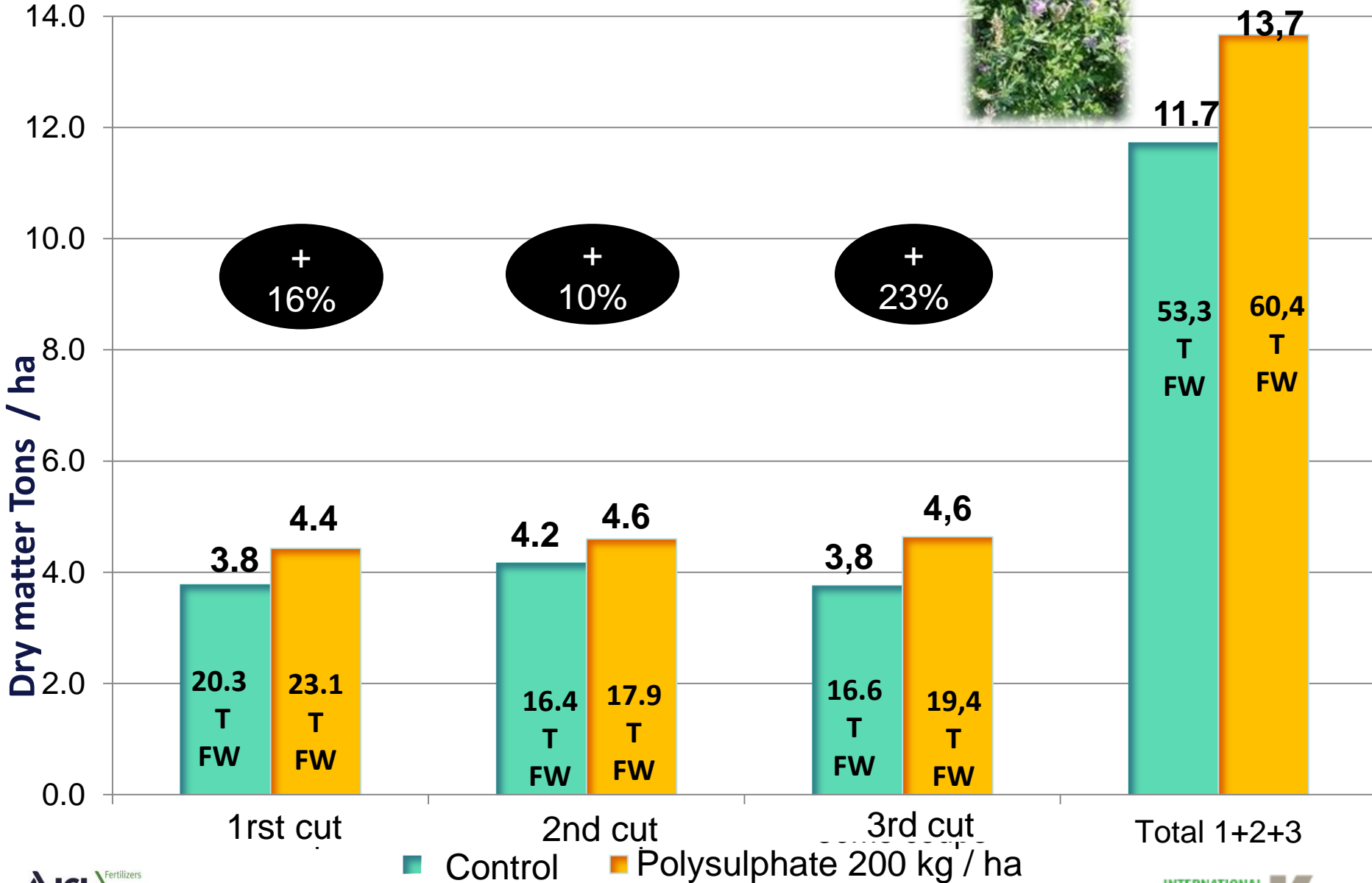
**Δ S: 753 kg/ha
35%**

**Δ K-Mg: 665 kg/ha
27 %**

1,9 kg Soy/kg Pyhte

Soil K levels not sufficient

Alfalfa experiment–France

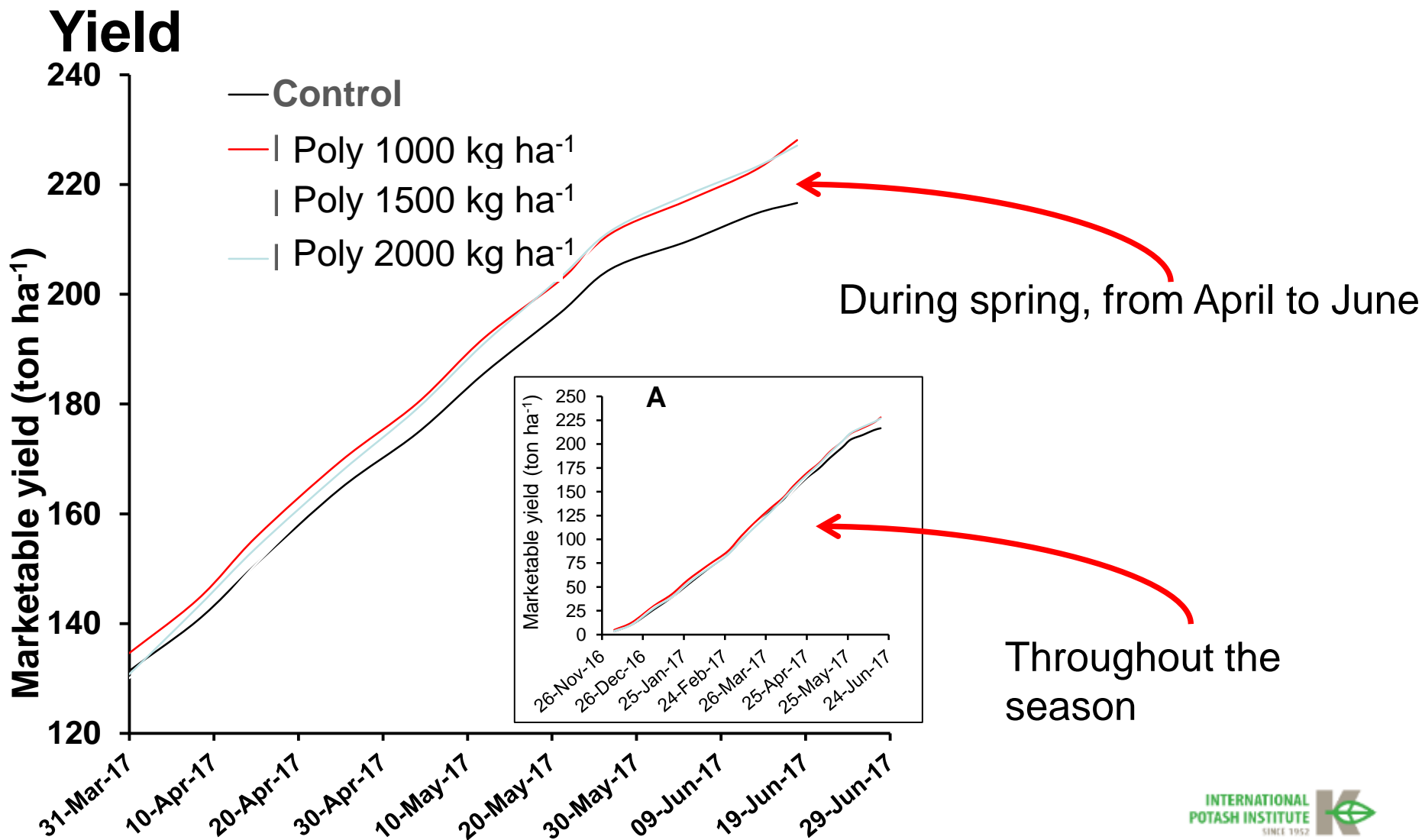


Polyhalite in tomato greenhouse: preventing Ca & Mg deficiencies under desalinized water, Israel

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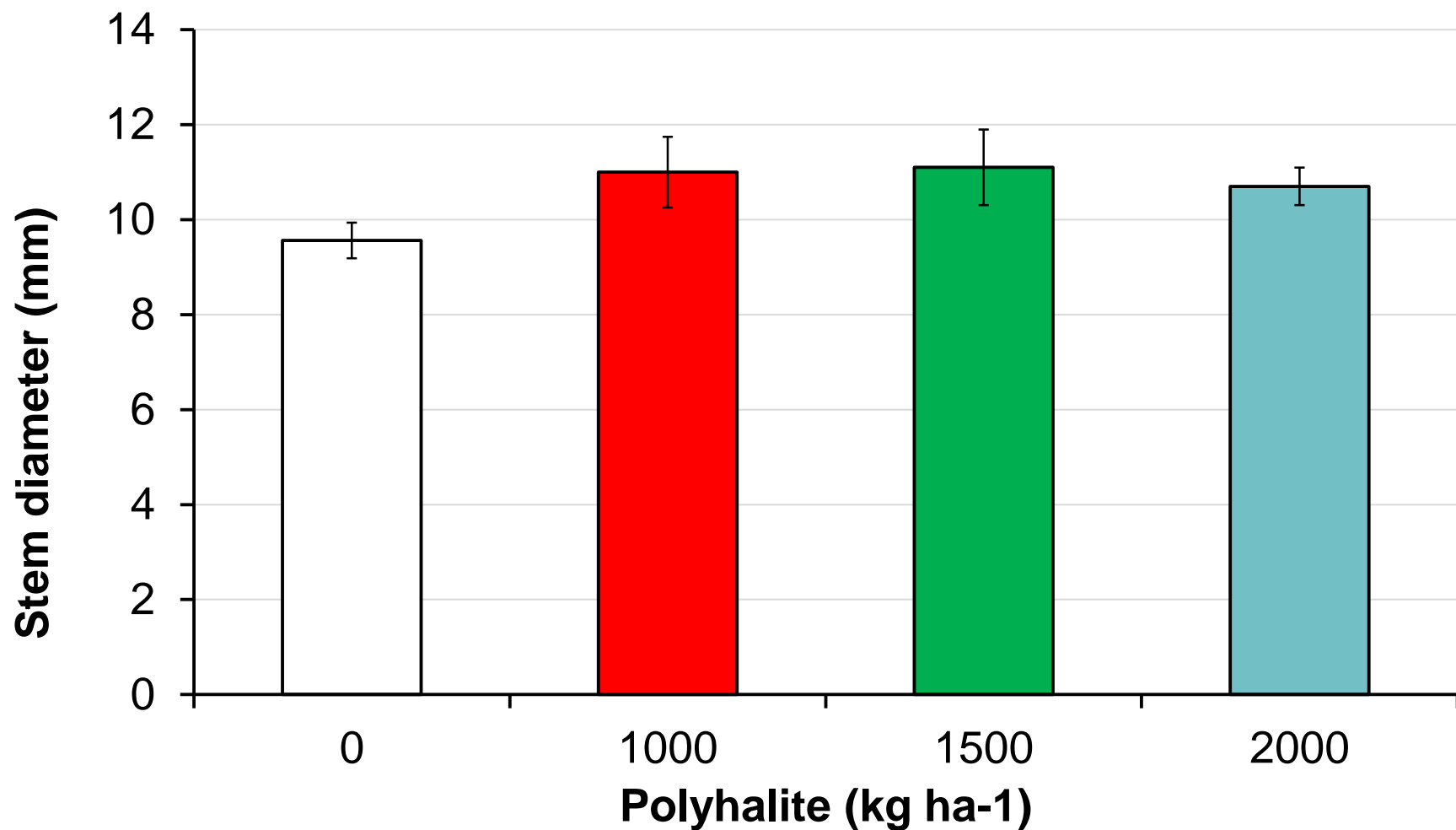


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Tomato stem diameter below the uppermost inflorescence on 23-May,
2017



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Magnesium deficiency in leaves



Poly 0 kg ha⁻¹



Poly 2000 kg ha⁻¹



Thank you!