

Improve Organic Production with Fertoz Rock Phosphate

“A 35.8% YIELD INCREASE WAS CALCULATED FROM 95 TREATMENT COMPARISONS”

Phosphorus plays a vital role in plant health; strengthening stems, improving resistance to pests and diseases and promoting fruiting and flowering. In organic farming, phosphorus deficiency is a major concern due to continual removal through harvest. Phosphorus originates from rock and is easily tied up and rendered unavailable in the soil. To ensure continual phosphorus availability, off-farm sources are required.

Fertoz Rock Phosphate is approved for use in organic production systems and serves as a natural and highly effective solution for common phosphorus deficiencies in organic crop production. Not only are phosphorus deficiencies corrected using rock phosphate, improved yields are documented through research. The majority of studies reviewed show a statistically significant increase in yield from rock phosphate application. The average yield benefit from RP over all treatment comparisons was 35.8%. This analysis only considers the benefits from rock phosphate alone; however there is evidence of additional crop yield benefits in soils amended with sulphur, beneficial microorganisms, manure and compost.

Percent Benefit in Yield Calculation:

$$\text{Yield Benefit (\%)} = \frac{\text{PR treatment yield} - \text{control treatment yield}}{\text{control treatment yield}} \times 100$$

Table 1. Yield benefit through application of Rock Phosphorus summarized from peer reviewed articles. Summarized yields were obtained from Rock Phosphate treatments vs. no Rock Phosphate (untreated).

CROP	UNTREATED YIELD	RP TREATED YIELD	% BENEFIT	REF CODE
Spring Wheat*	3.7 T/ha	4.4 T/ha	18.9	10
Spring Wheat	1900 kg/ha	1950 kg/ha	2.63	7
Corn*	4250 kg/ha	6000 kg/ha	41.18	7
Spring Wheat	3.8 T/ha	4.1 T/ha	7.89	12
Spring Wheat	3.2 T/ha	3.6 T/ha	12.5	12
Spring Wheat	3.6 T/ha	3.8 T/ha	5.56	12
Corn	102 bu/ac	117 bu/ac	14.71	3
Corn	102 bu/ac	124bu/ac	21.57	3
Oats	52 bu/ac	58 bu/ac	11.54	3
Oats	52 bu/ac	62 bu/ac	19.23	3
Sword Bean*	11.66 g/pot	31.66 g/pot	171.53	1
Sword Bean*	11.66 g/pot	30.66 g/pot	162.95	1
Sword Bean*	11.66 g/pot	38.66 g/pot	231.56	1
Corn*	5.66 T/ha	6.55 T/ha	15.72	6
Wheat	3.85 T/ha	4.27 T/ha	10.91	6
Potato*	22.7 Mg/ha	26.1 Mg/ha	14.98	13
Potato*	22.7 Mg/ha	26.8 Mg/ha	18.06	13
Potato*	22.7 Mg/ha	28.6 Mg/ha	25.99	13
Potato*	26.7 Mg/ha	27.2 Mg/ha	1.87	13
Potato*	26.7 Mg/ha	27.2 Mg/ha	1.87	13
Potato*	26.7 Mg/ha	27.5 Mg/ha	2.30	13
Potato*	22.6 Mg/ha	23.8 Mg/ha	5.31	13
Potato*	22.6 Mg/ha	25.6 Mg/ha	13.27	13
Potato*	22.6 Mg/ha	26.6 Mg/ha	17.70	13
Rice*	5.8 Mg/ha	6.0 Mg/ha	3.45	13
Rice*	5.8 Mg/ha	6.2 Mg/ha	6.90	13
Rice*	5.8 Mg/ha	6.7 Mg/ha	15.52	13
Rice*	5.0 Mg/ha	5.2 Mg/ha	4.00	13
Rice*	5.0 Mg/ha	5.5 Mg/ha	7.00	13
Rice*	5.0 Mg/ha	57 Mg/ha	14.00	13
Rice*	5.4 Mg/ha	5.6 Mg/ha	3.70	13
Rice*	5.4 Mg/ha	5.9 Mg/ha	9.26	13
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Mung Bean*	0.5 Mg/ha	0.5 Mg/ha	0	13

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Mung Bean*	0.5 Mg/ha	0.8 Mg/ha	60	13
Mung Bean*	0.7 Mg/ha	0.8 Mg/ha	14.29	13
Mung Bean*	0.7 Mg/ha	0.9 Mg/ha	28.29	13
Mung Bean*	0.7 Mg/ha	1.1 Mg/ha	57.14	13
Mung Bean*	0.6 Mg/ha	0.8 Mg/ha	33.33	13
Mung Bean*	0.6 Mg/ha	0.9 Mg/ha	50	13
Mung Bean*	0.6 Mg/ha	1.0 Mg/ha	66.67	13
Amaranth*	574.4 kg/ha	1612.8 kg/ha	180.64	11
Amaranth*	574.4 kg/ha	1602.4 kg/ha	178.97	11
Amaranth*	763.2 kg/ha	2033.6 kg/ha	166.46	11
Amaranth*	763.2 kg/ha	1976 kg/ha	158.91	11
Potato	6.86 T/ha	7.5 T/ha	9.33	5
Potato	8.67 T/ha	9.3 T/ha	7.27	5
Potato	9.65 T/ha	10.56 T/ha	9.43	5
Cow Peas*	1448.5 kg/ha	2047.7 kg/ha	41.37	2
Cow Peas*	1448.5 kg/ha	2166.3 kg/ha	49.55	2
Cow Peas*	1448.5 kg/ha	2196.2 kg/ha	51.62	2
Cow Peas*	1814.3 kg/ha	2774.2 kg/ha	52.91	2
Cow Peas*	1814.3 kg/ha	2752.2 kg/ha	51.69	2
Cow Peas*	1814.3 kg/ha	2765.6 kg/ha	52.43	2
Potato*	4.62 T/ha	7.5 T/ha	62.34	5
Potato*	4.62 T/ha	9.3 T/ha	101.30	5
Potato*	4.62 T/ha	10.56 T/ha	128.57	5
Corn*	5618 kg/ha	5688 kg/ha	1.25	4
Corn*	5618 kg/ha	5975 kg/ha	6.35	4
Corn*	5618 kg/ha	6152 kg/ha	9.50	4
Corn*	5618 kg/ha	6298 kg/ha	12.1	4
Corn*	4741 kg/ha	4865 kg/ha	2.62	4
Corn*	4741 kg/ha	5074 kg/ha	7.02	4
Corn*	4741 kg/ha	5260 kg/ha	10.95	4
Oats*	1957 kg/ha	1944 kg/ha	-0.66	4
Oats*	1957 kg/ha	2053 kg/ha	4.91	4
Oats*	1957 kg/ha	2042 kg/ha	4.34	4
Oats*	1957 kg/ha	2087 kg/ha	6.64	4
Alfalfa*	5395 kg/ha	6051 kg/ha	12.16	4
Alfalfa*	5395 kg/ha	7220 kg/ha	33.8	4
Alfalfa*	5395 kg/ha	8286 kg/ha	53.59	4
Alfalfa*	5395 kg/ha	9342 kg/ha	73.16	4
Corn*	6674 kg/ha	7631 kg/ha	14.34	4
Corn*	6674 kg/ha	8458 kg/ha	26.73	4
Corn*	6674 kg/ha	8905 kg/ha	33.43	4
Corn*	6674 kg/ha	9334 kg/ha	39.86	4
Corn*	7528 kg/ha	8029 kg/ha	6.66	4
Corn*	7528 kg/ha	8497 kg/ha	12.87	4
Corn*	7528 kg/ha	8783 kg/ha	16.67	4
Corn*	7528 kg/ha	9130 kg/ha	21.28	4
Soybean*	2448 kg/ha	2610 kg/ha	6.62	4
Soybean*	2448 kg/ha	2695 kg/ha	10.09	4
Soybean*	2448 kg/ha	2818 kg/ha	15.11	4
Soybean*	2448 kg/ha	2890 kg/ha	18.06	4
Soybean*	2565 kg/ha	2678 kg/ha	4.41	4
Soybean*	2565 kg/ha	2742 kg/ha	6.90	4
Soybean*	2565 kg/ha	2845 kg/ha	10.92	4
Soybean*	2565 kg/ha	2894 kg/ha	12.83	4
Maize*	6.3 T/ha	7.2 T/ha	14.29	8
Maize*	6.3 T/ha	8.8 T/ha	39.68	8
Maize*	6.3 T/ha	9.6 T/ha	52.38	8
Bean*	165 kg/ha	257 kg/ha	55.76	8
Bean*	165 kg/ha	259 kg/ha	56.96	8
Bean*	165 kg/ha	383 kg/ha	132.12	8

*Indicates a statistically significant yield increase from RP in this trial. Some trials did not analyze for statistical significance.

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