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Summary

Yield and forage quality as well as effects on following crops of different grass/clover mixtures on organic farms

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Between 1996 and 1999 botanical composition (8 locations) and yield and forage quality (4 locations) of different grass/clover mixtures were investigated before harvesting. In the following two years the effects on the following crops were determined on two locations.

Results: Mixtures with italian ryegrass (*Lolium multiflorum*) were little more productive, on one location also less productive. Mixtures without italian ryegrass contained more protein and 16 to 18 % more nitrogen was harvested with the forage. In the following crops on loamy sand more nitrogen was uptaken after these mixtures.

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