



Ersatz von Kupfer im biologischen Kartoffelanbau: BLIGHT-MOP (2001-2005)

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- Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (F)
- University of Kassel (D)
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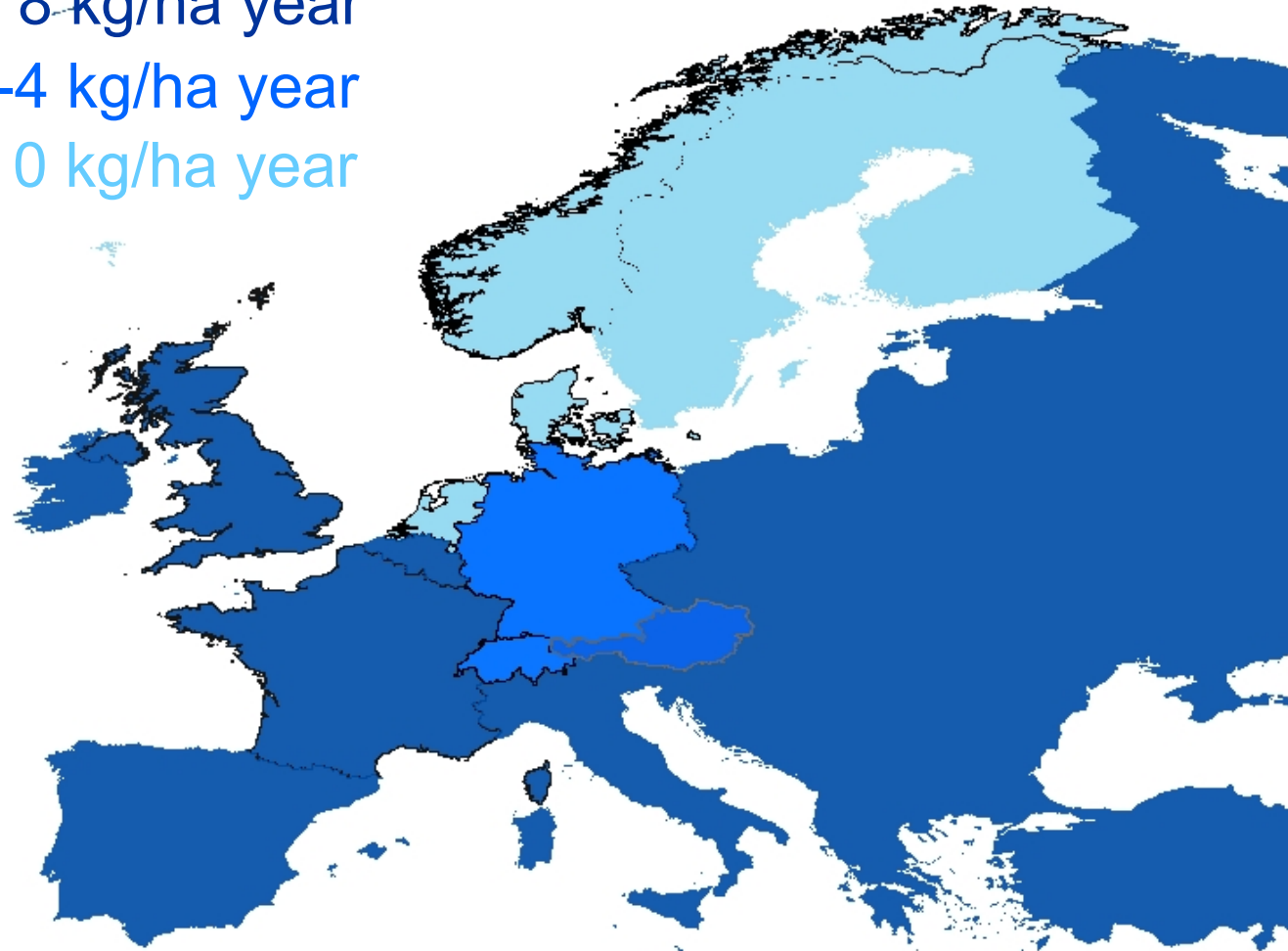
Kupferzulassung in Europa



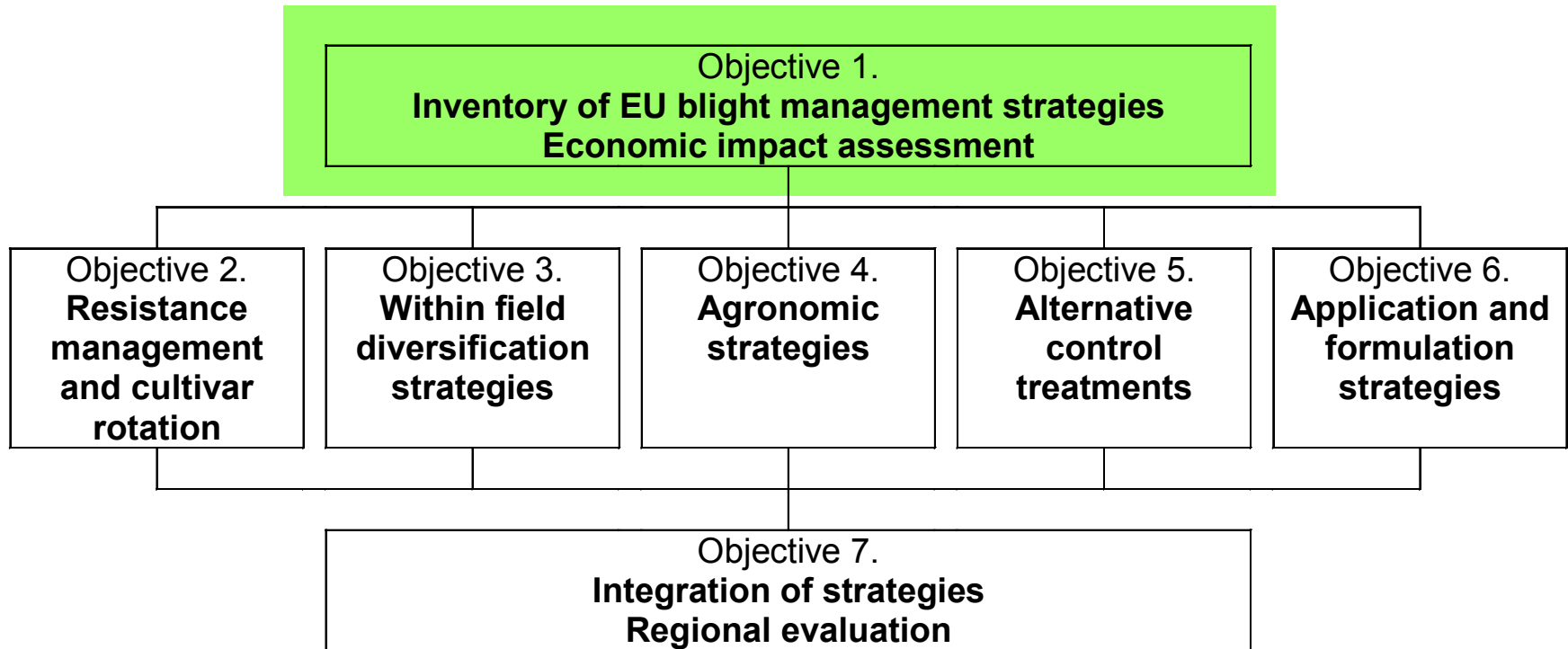
Max. 8 kg/ha year

Max. 3-4 kg/ha year

▶ 0 kg/ha year



Konzept von Blight - MOP



Survey and background data



7 countries and app. 20 researchers involved
118 farmers interviewed
131 questions asked (interviews only)
729 Variables processed and analysed (interviews only)
12 researchers gathered and processed background information on economy/epidemiology

Erwartete Auswirkung eines Kupferverbotes



		SURFACE development			Total
		decrease	neutral	increase	
country	Denmark		100.0%		100.0%
	France	71.4%	21.4%	7.1%	100.0%
	Germany	35.7%	64.3%		100.0%
	Netherlands	5.6%	83.3%	11.1%	100.0%
	Norway		100.0%		100.0%
	Switzerland	61.1%	38.9%		100.0%
	United Kingdom	57.1%	42.9%		100.0%
	Total	31.0%	66.4%	2.7%	100.0%

Organic potato production



Table 3.7. Area organic arable farming and organic potato area (1998). Source: FAOstat and Lampkin et al., 2000, Own data from national administration and certification bodies

	Denmark	France	Germany	Netherlands	Norway	Switzerland	United Kingdom
Total organic arable agricultural area (ha)	38'787	35'900	140'000	4'948	1'045	4'366	8'248
Total organic potatoes (ha)	755	579	4'700	749	125	500	911
Total potatoes (ha)	36'000	164'000	297'267	126'528	16'900	13'866	164'100
Percent potato in organic crop rotation	1.95%	1.61%	3.36%	15.14%	11.96%	11.45%	11.05%

Average yields in potato production

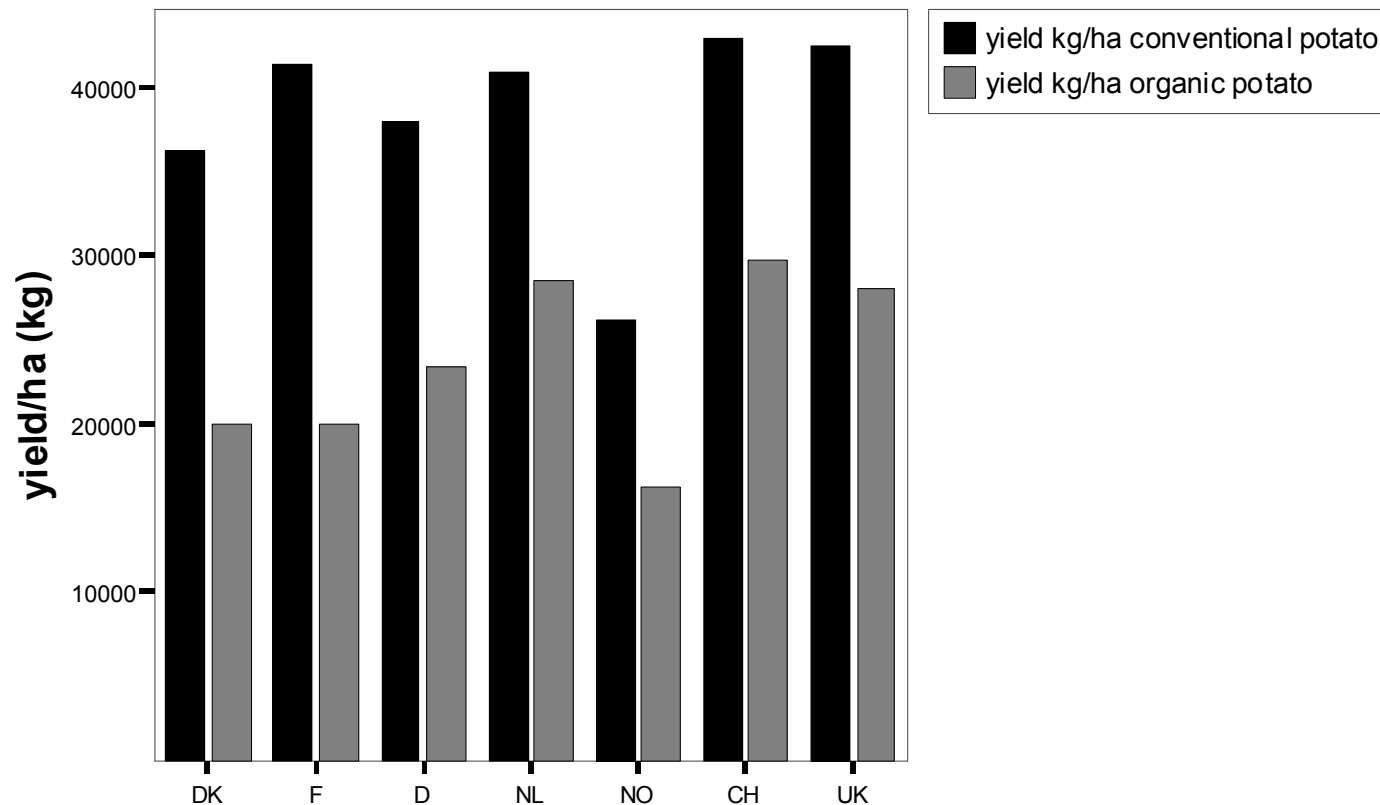


Figure 3.2. Average yields of conventional and organic ware potatoes per country (harvested kg/ha; 1998-2000)¹.
Source: Own data from the processors and traders. (Norway: organic yield as given in farmers' questionnaire)

Average farm gate prices of potato

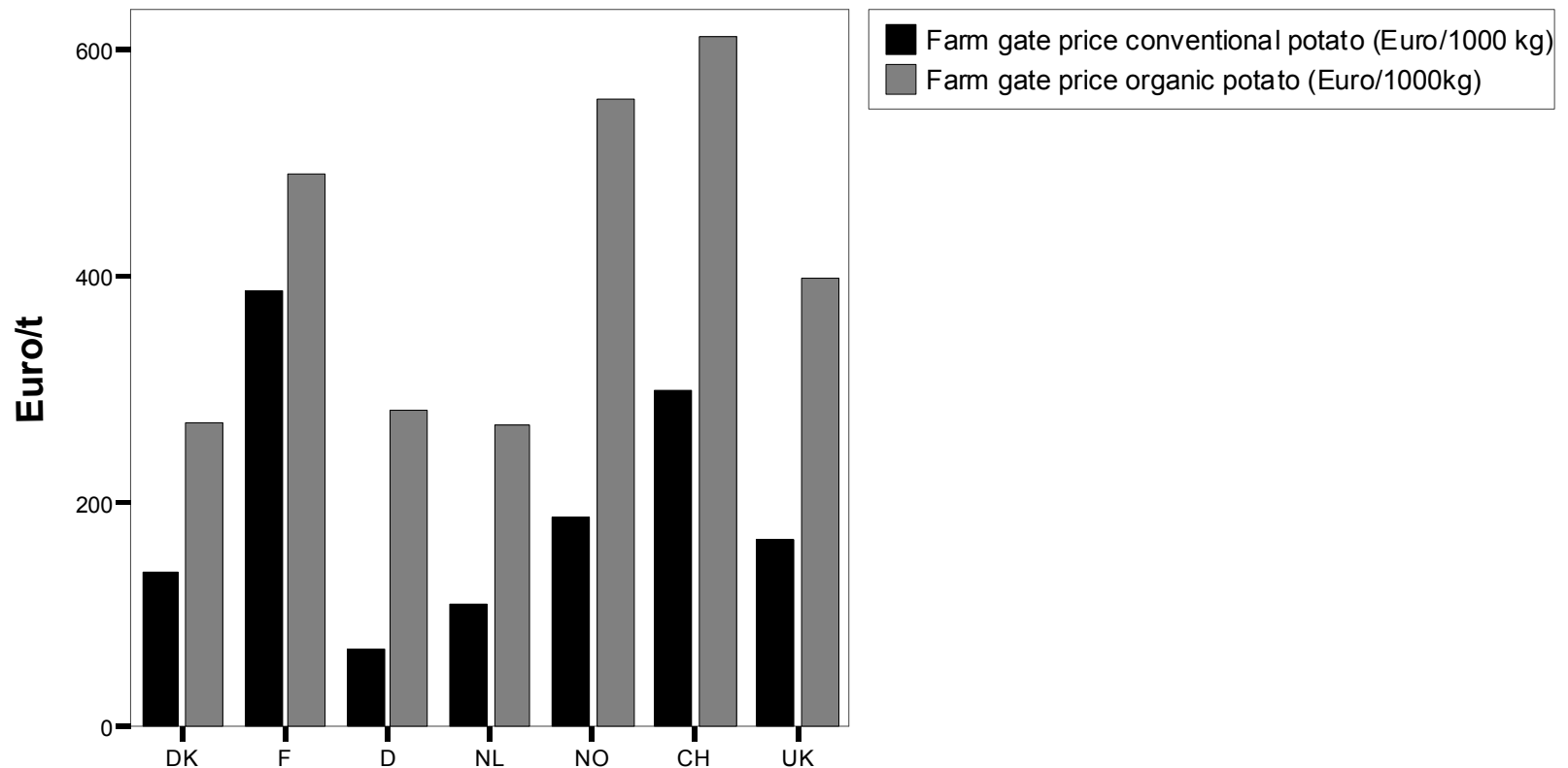


Figure 3.3. Average farm gate prices of organic and conventional ware potatoes (1998-2000; Euro per ton)¹.

Source: Own data from the processors and traders

Monetary output per hectare

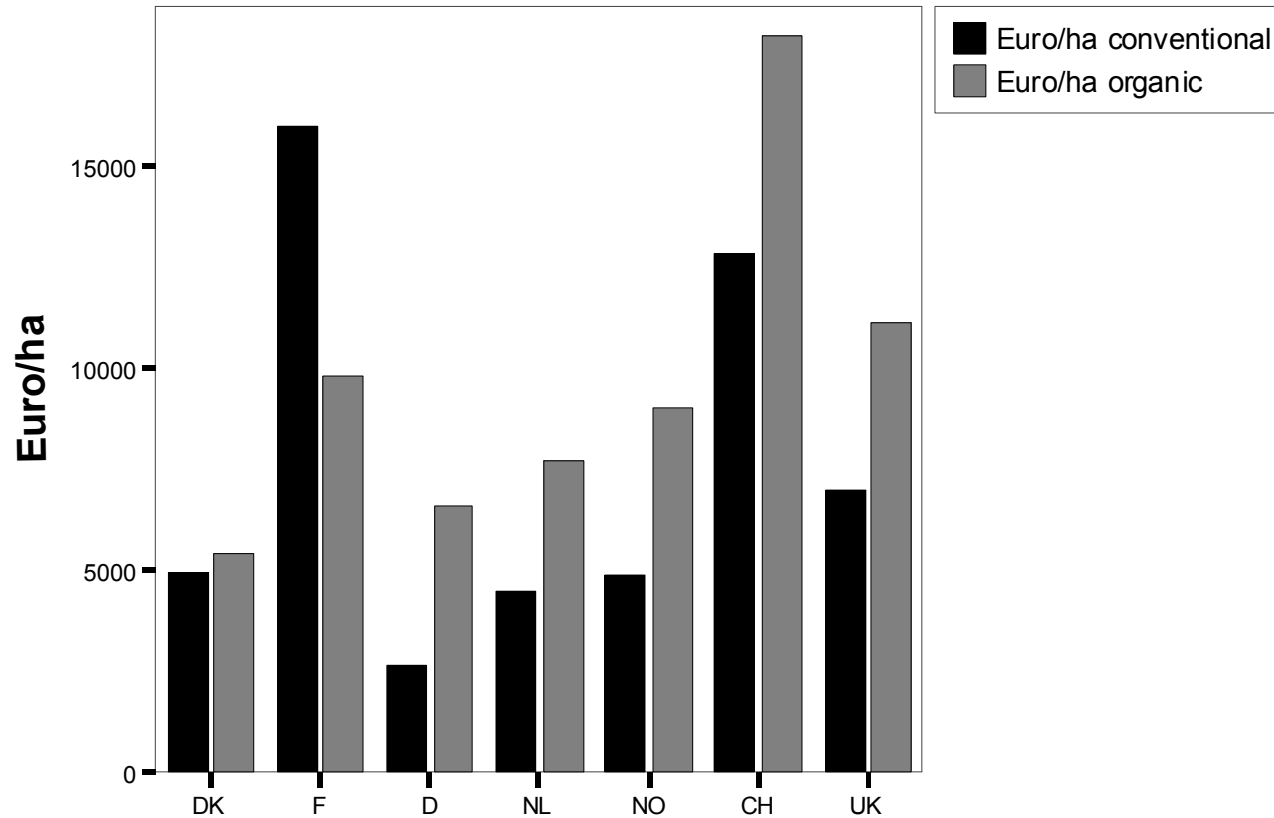
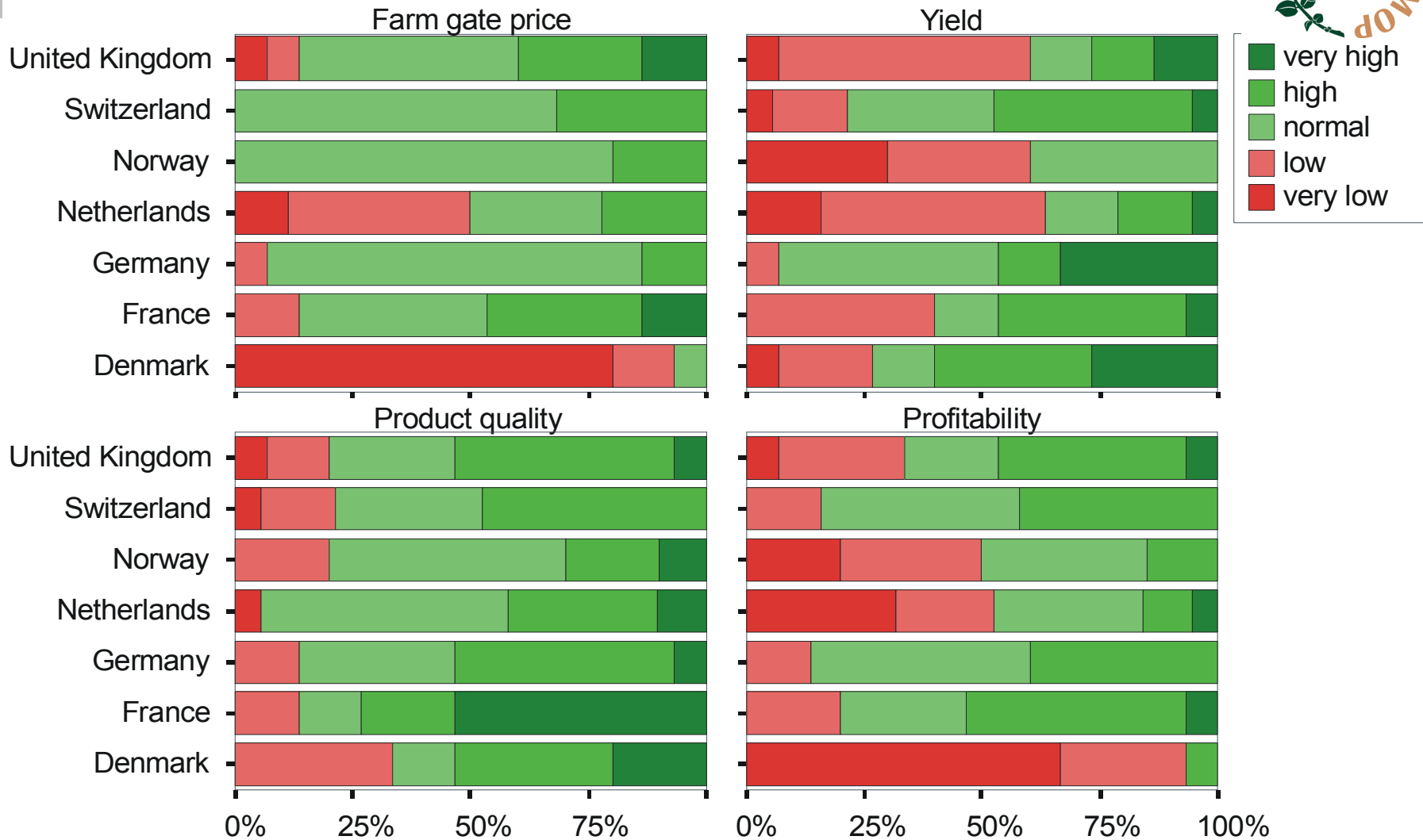
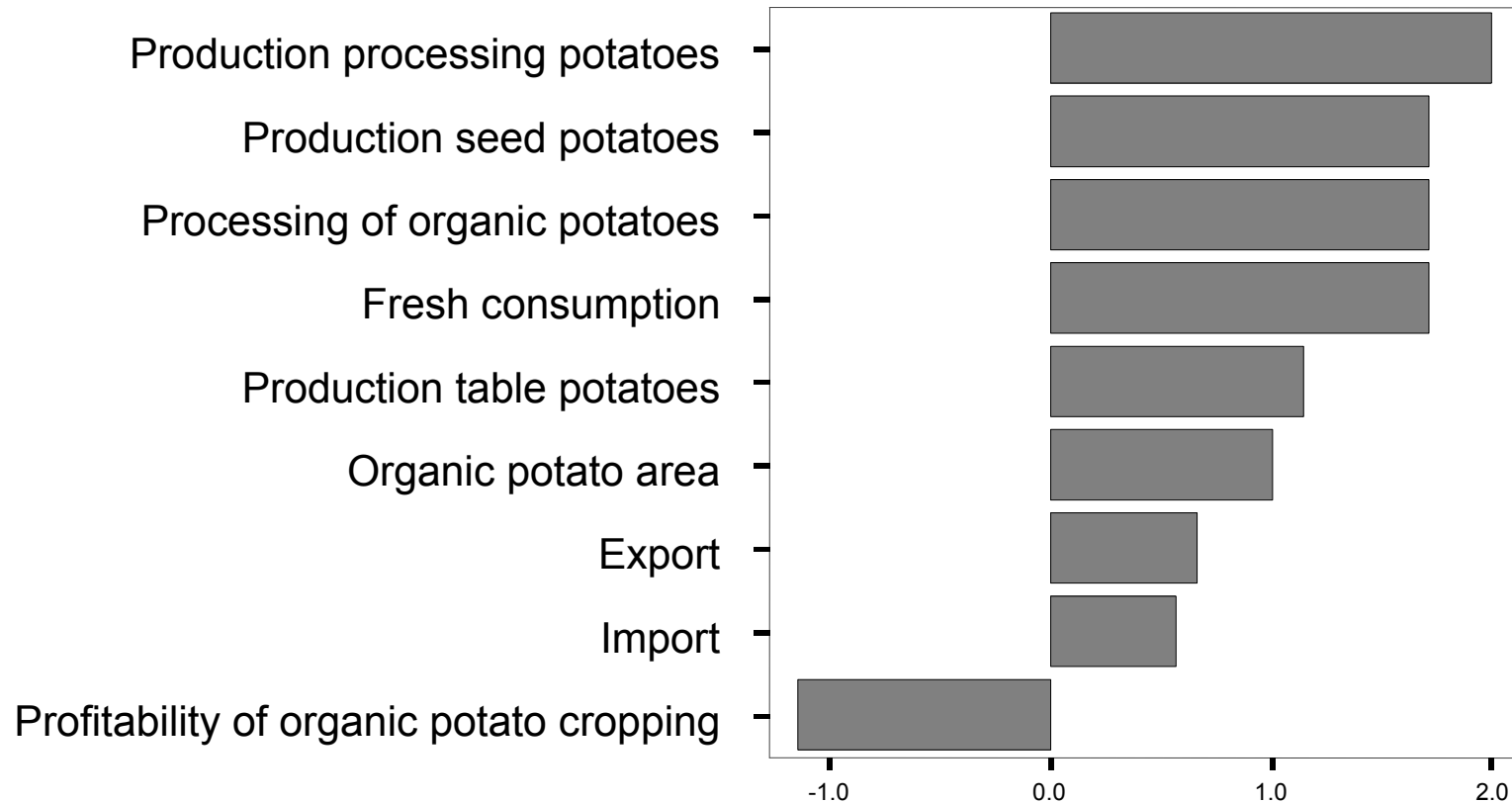


Figure 3.4. Average monetary output of organic and conventional ware potatoes (1998-2000). Source: Own data from the processors and traders

Farmers' assessment of 2000 crop



Expected market development



Schlussfolgerungen I

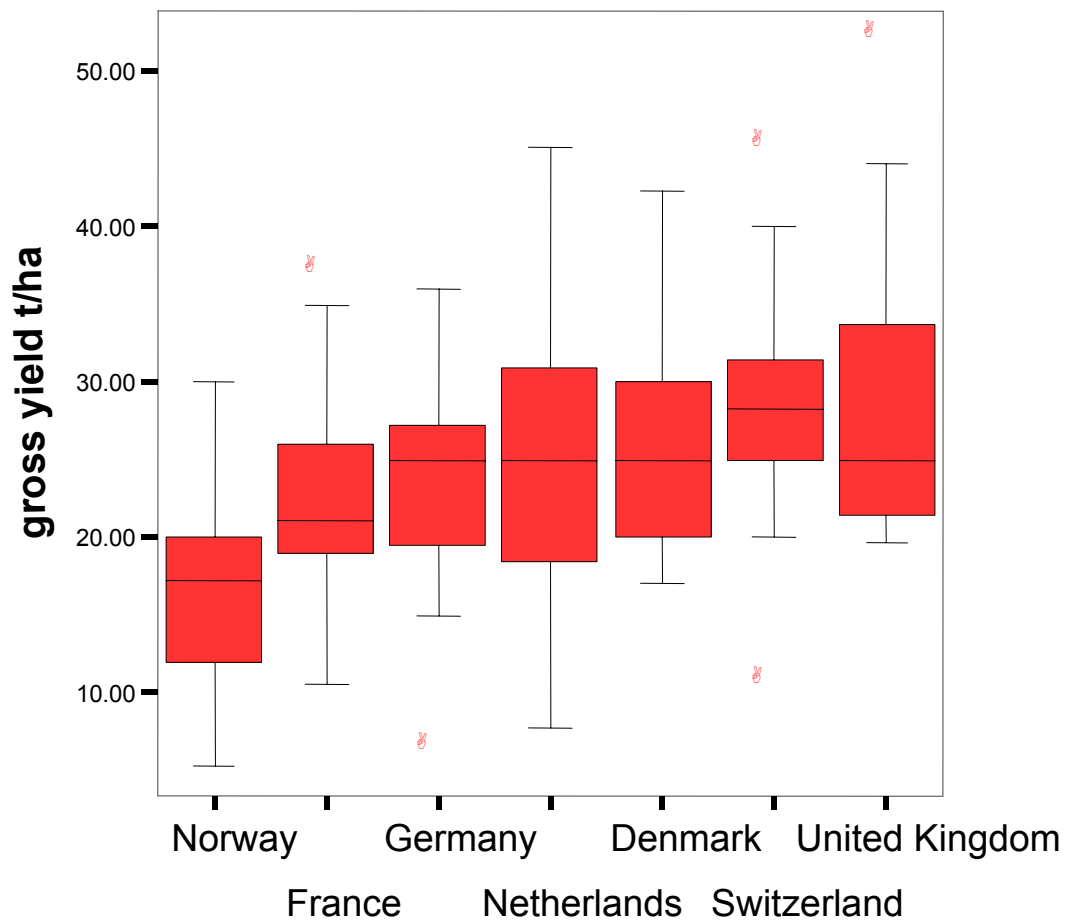


- **Grosse Unterschiede in den gesetzlichen Rahmenbedingungen**
- **Stand 2000: Kupferverbot ohne Alternativstrategien wird den Bioanbau von Kartoffeln in der EU reduzieren, aber nicht eliminieren**
- **Biokartoffelanbau ist klein, hat aber Wachstumspotential**
- **Engpässe: Produktionskosten, Ertragssicherheit, Akzeptanz von Sorten**

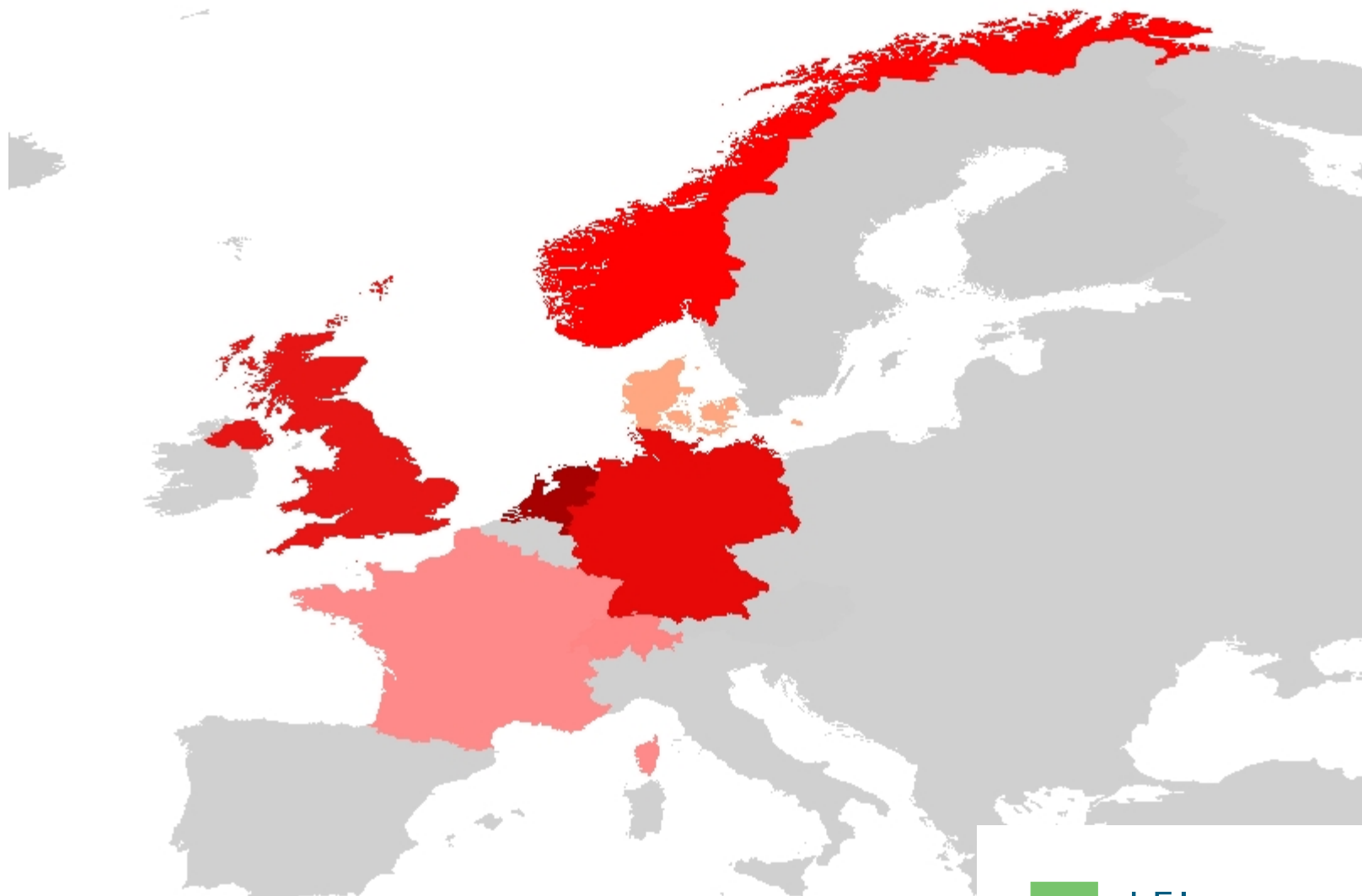


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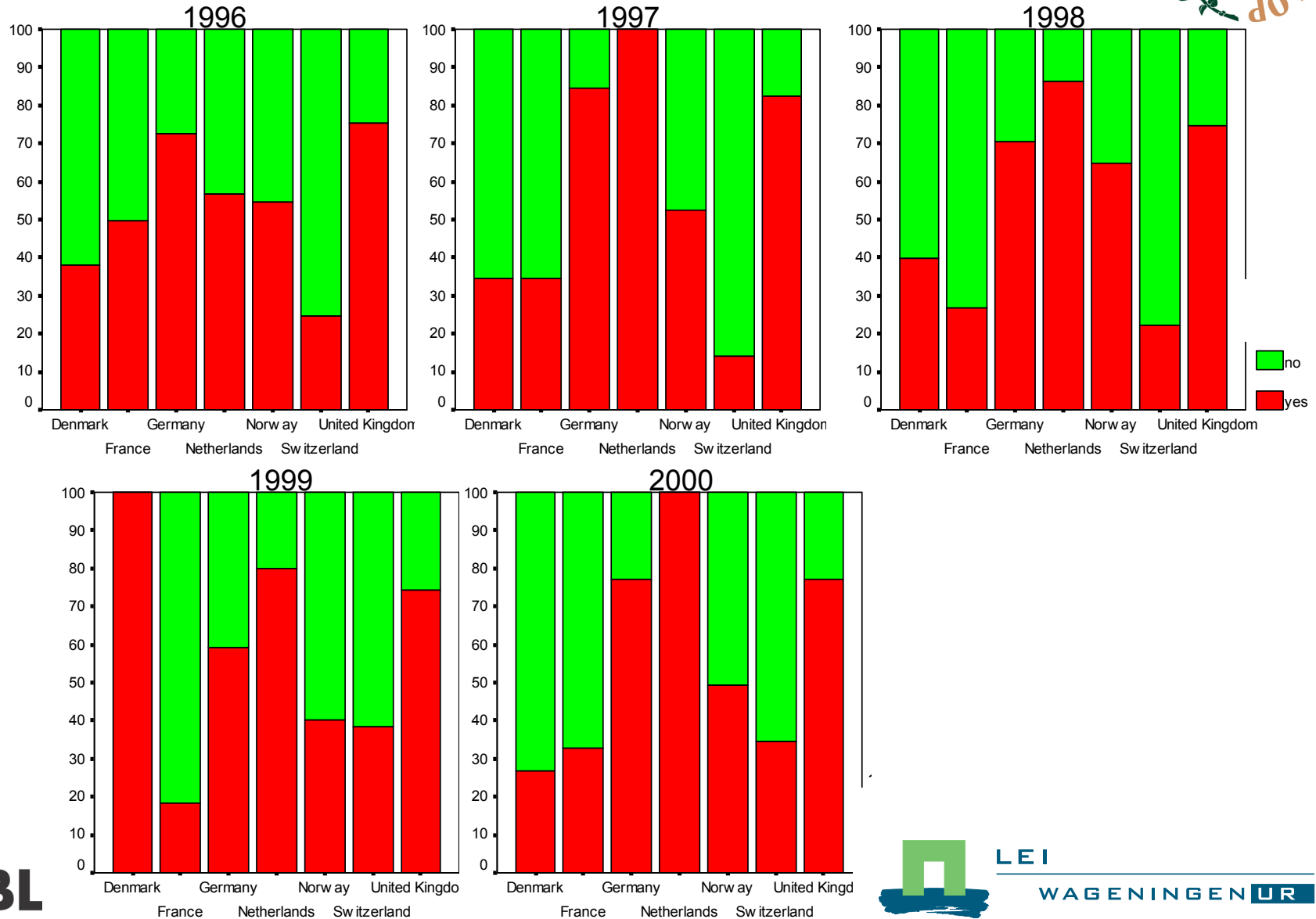
Gross yields in 2000 in 118 farms



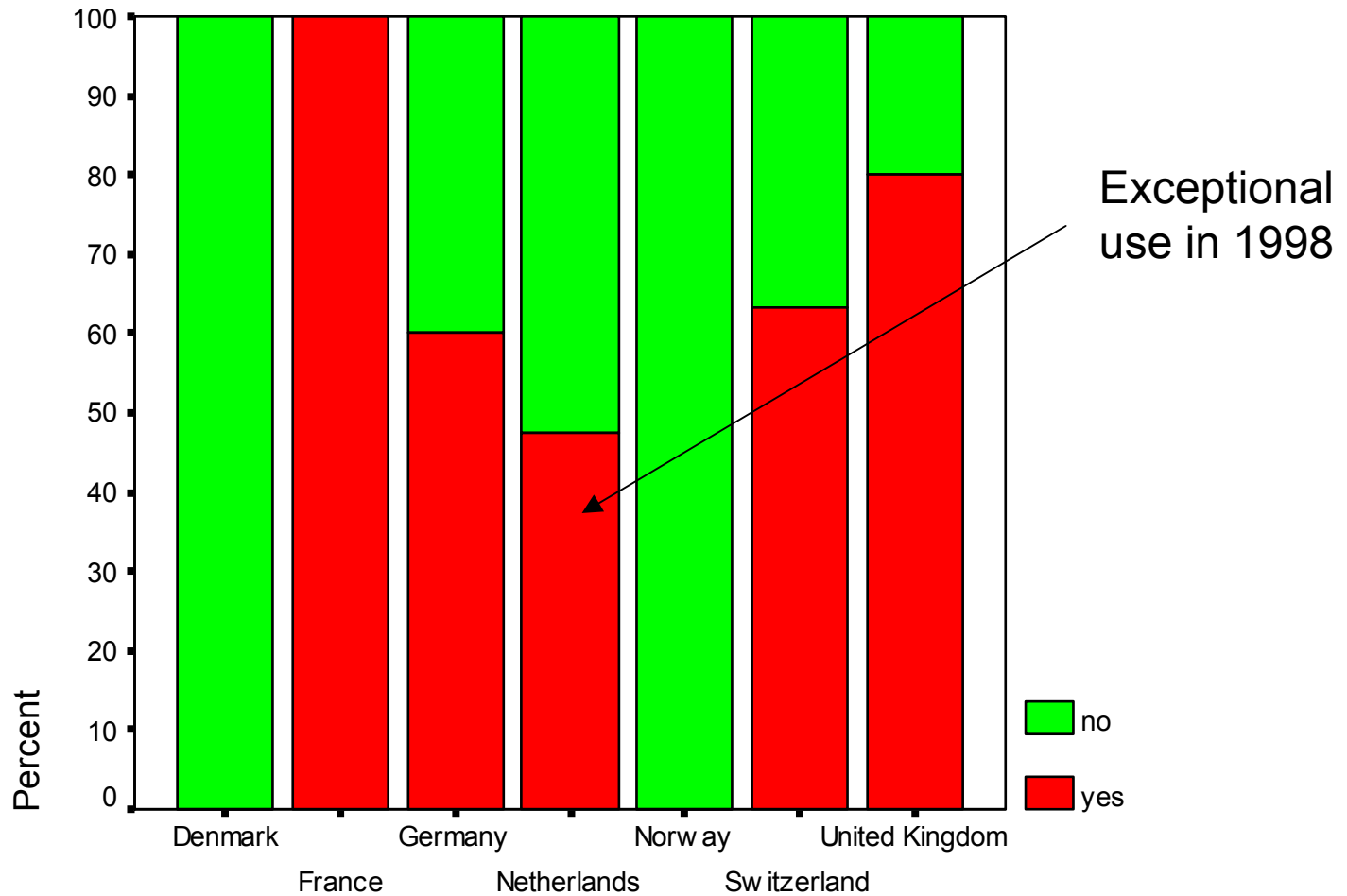
Blight outbreaks on farms in 2000



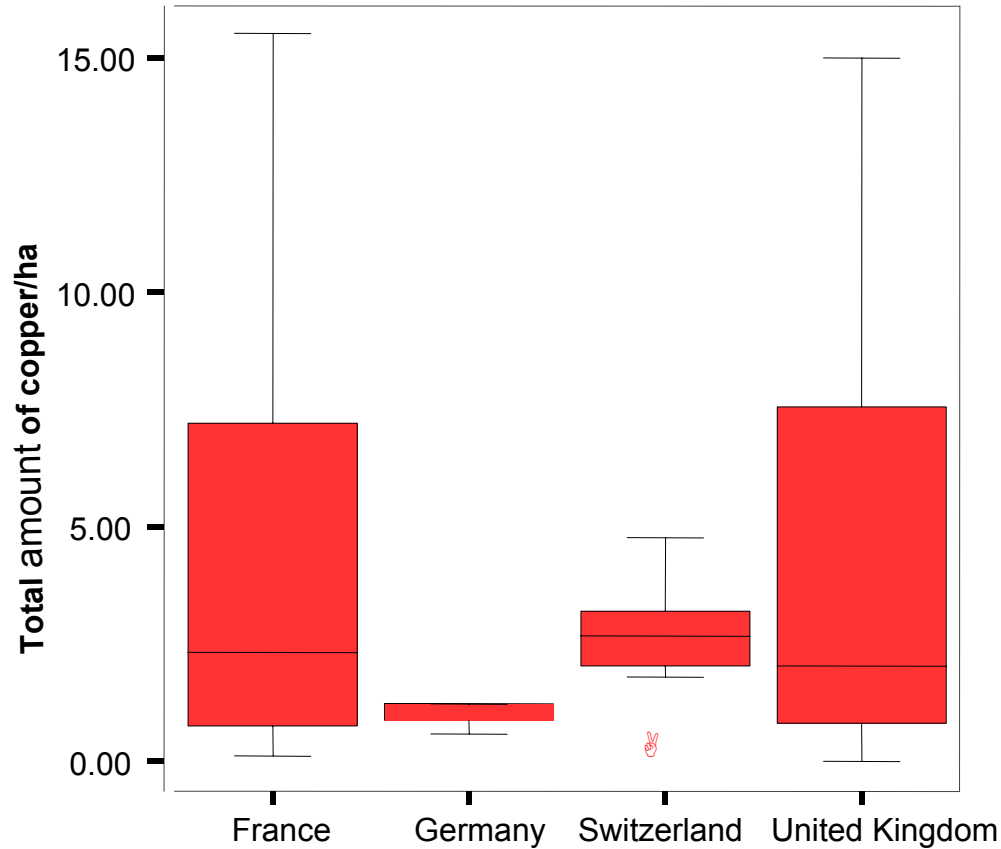
Farms with losses due to late blight



Kupfereinsatz 1996-2000 in 118 Betrieben



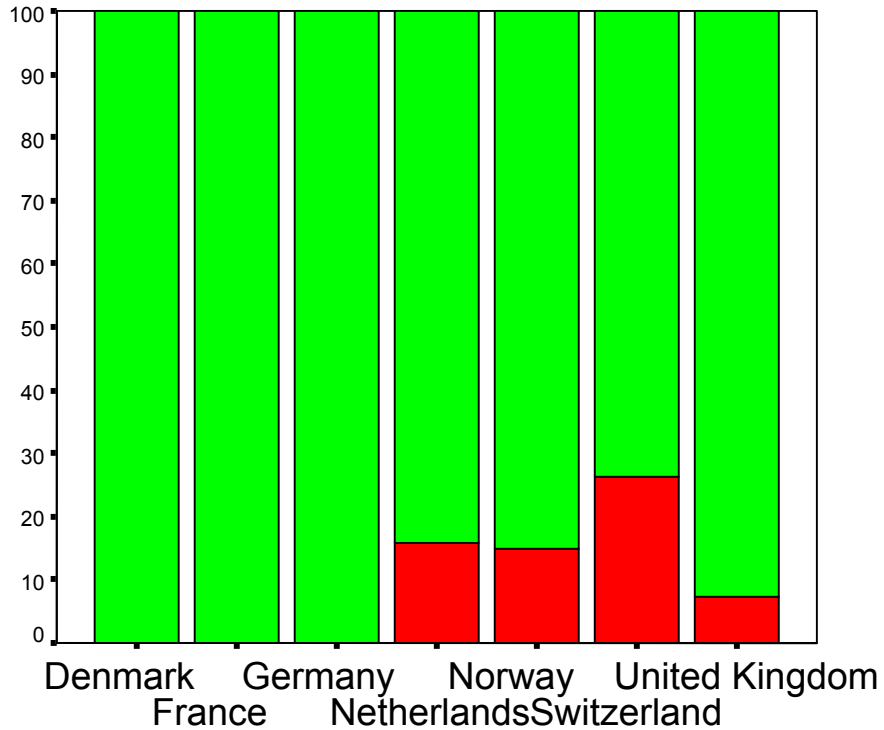
If copper used: quantity (kg/ha) in 2000?



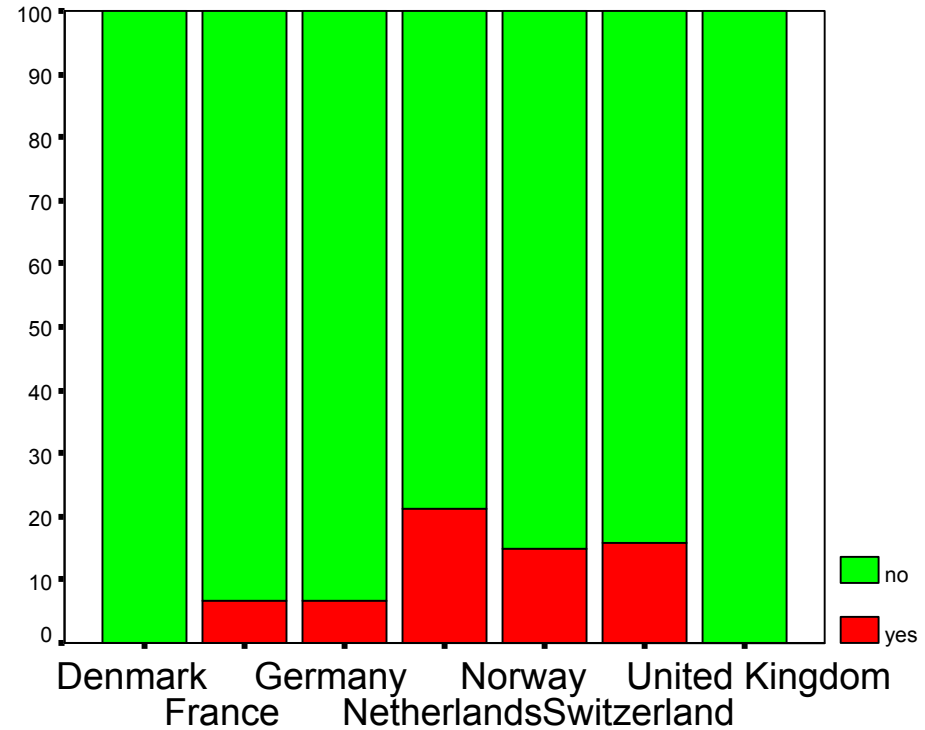
Kritik von Nachbarn wegen *P. infestans*?



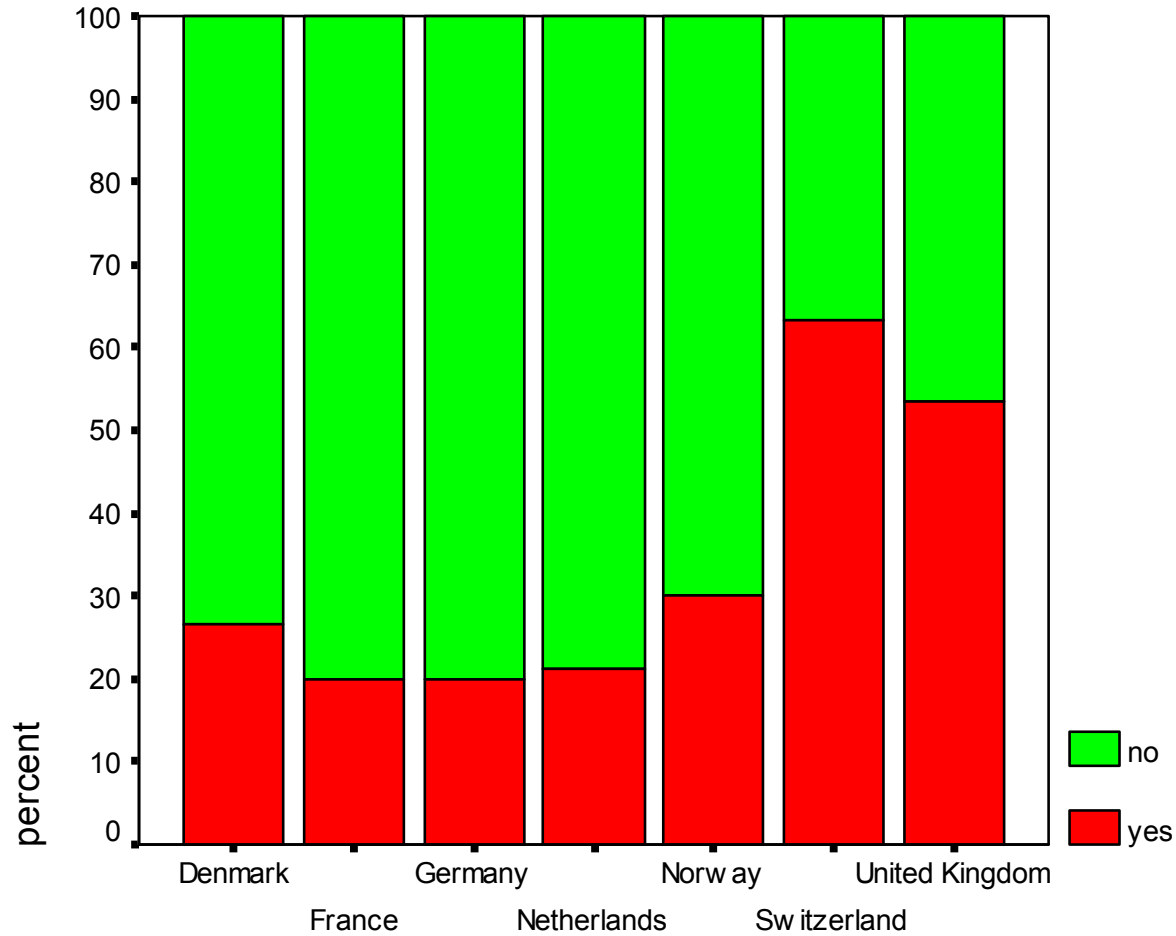
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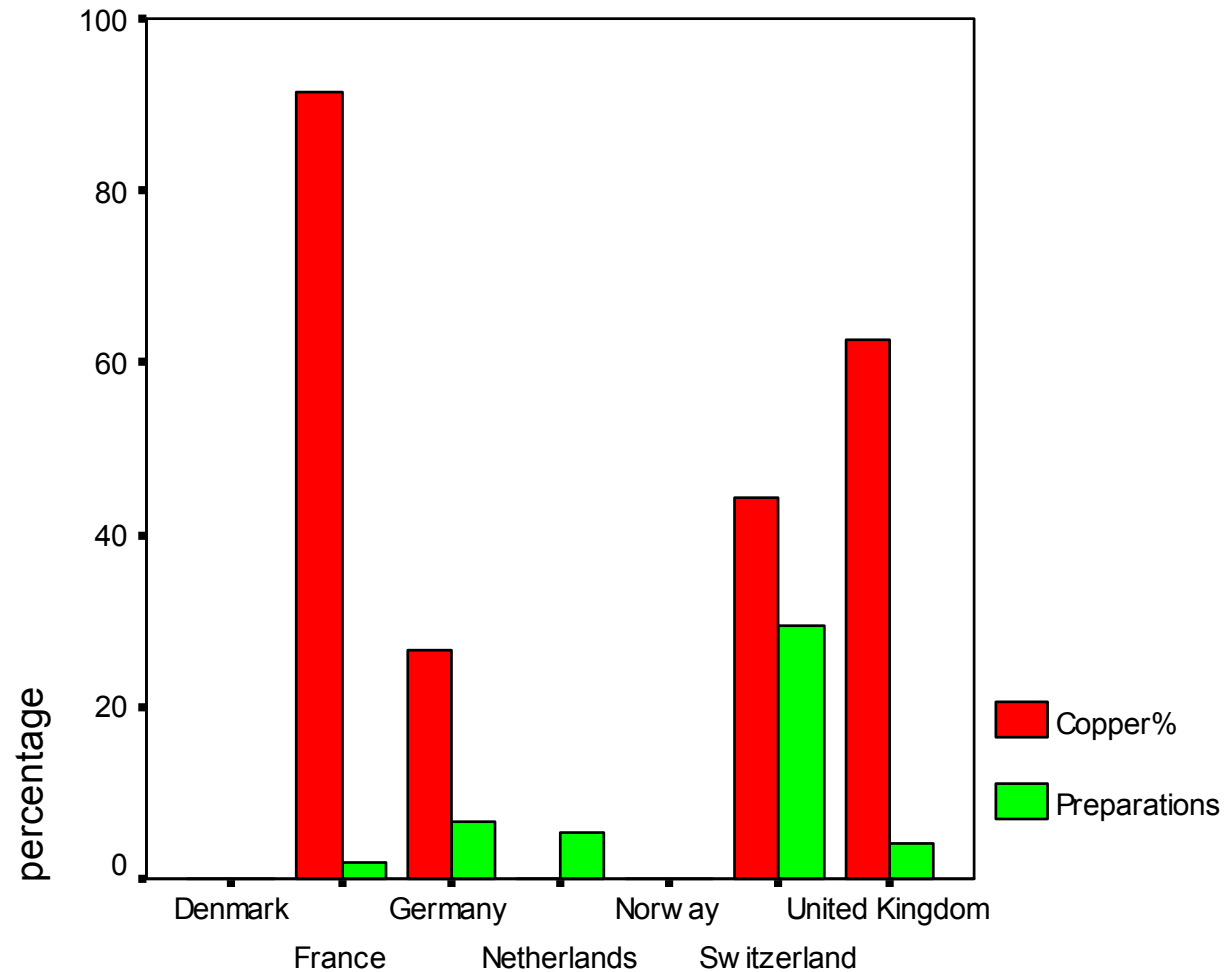
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Einsatz von Alternativprodukten (118 farmers)



Falls Einsatz: geschätzter Zusatzertrag?



Erfolgsfaktoren (Analyse von 118 Betrieben)

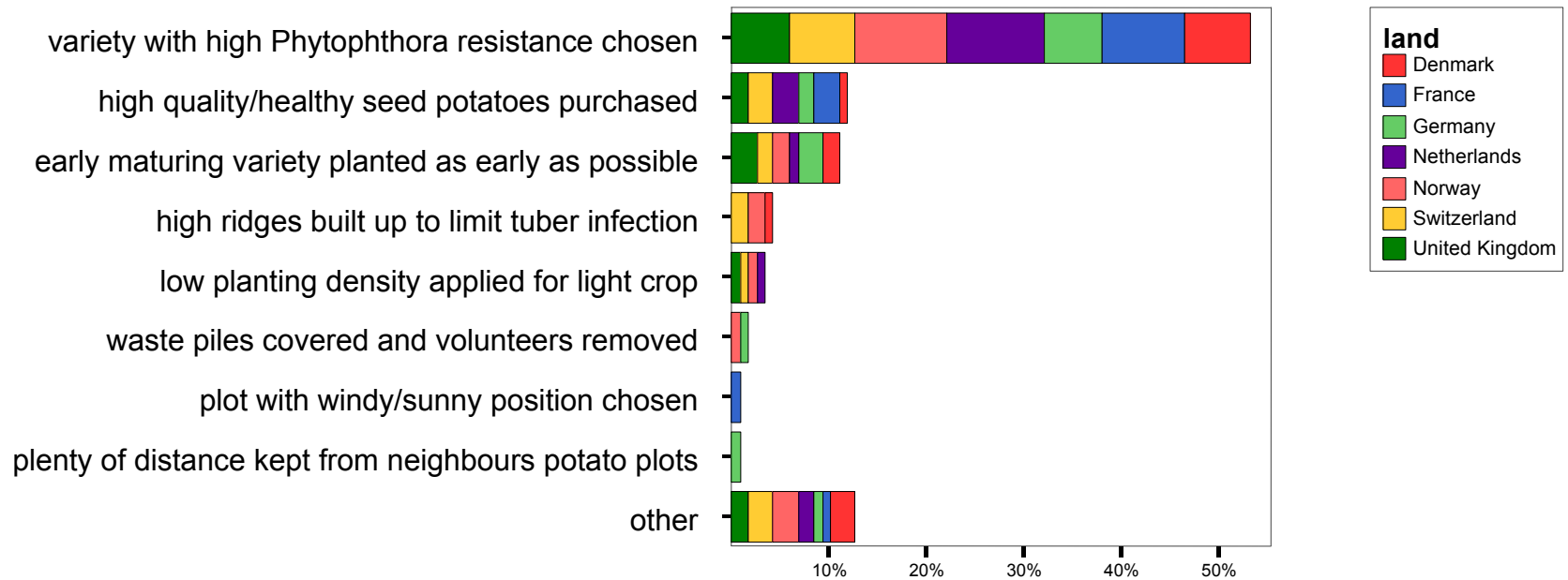


	Name	variable name	Success variable 1	success variable 2
Soil fertility	v36	1.3 % animal husbandry	x	x
	v1006	soil cultivation intensity	x	x
	v1004	manuring raw strategy	x	x
	v1005bb	manuring intensity (N available total)	x	x
	v1005c	manuring intensity (P total)	x	x
	v1005d	manuring intensity (K total)	x	x
	soil	principal component for soil (v149-v153)	x	x
	v282	5.6 own cultivation of seed	x	x
Seed and crop	v287	5.9 Did chitting occur	x	x
	v385	7.4 Weed coverage	x	x
	scott1	6.2 Planting week	x	x
	v545	10.1 Haulms destructed?	x	x
	scott2	11.1 Harvest time weeknr	x	x
	v389	7.6 Irrigation	x	x
	v496	9.4 Applied extracts and preparations?	x	x
LB control	v542b	Total amount of copper/ha	x	x
	v542c	number of copper sprays	x	x
	v144b	distance classes	x	x
LB epidemic	v905	number of conventional sprays	x	x
	v906	week of first occurrence of LB	x	x
variety	v146d	varietal maturity	x	x
	var146bb	Foliage Resistance scale 1-9	x	x

Farmers experiences & strategies II



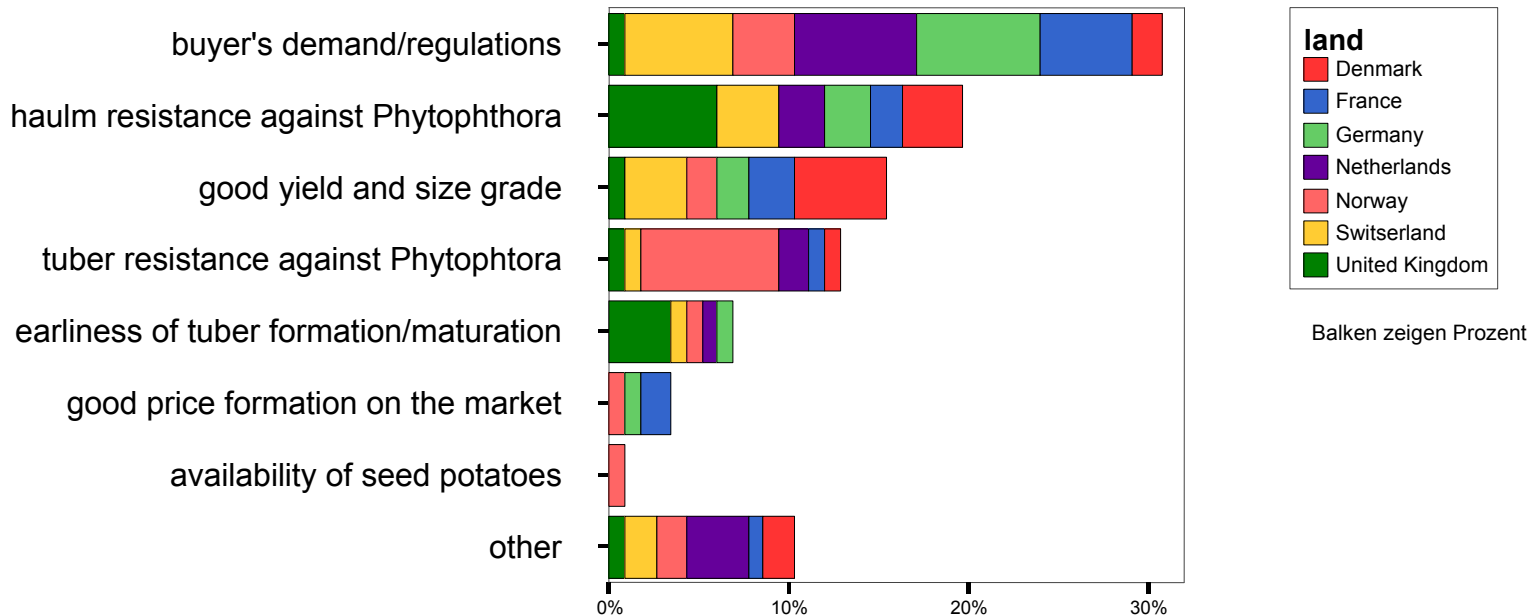
What is your main strategy against LB?



Farmers experiences & strategies III



How do you chose the variety?



Schlussfolgerungen II

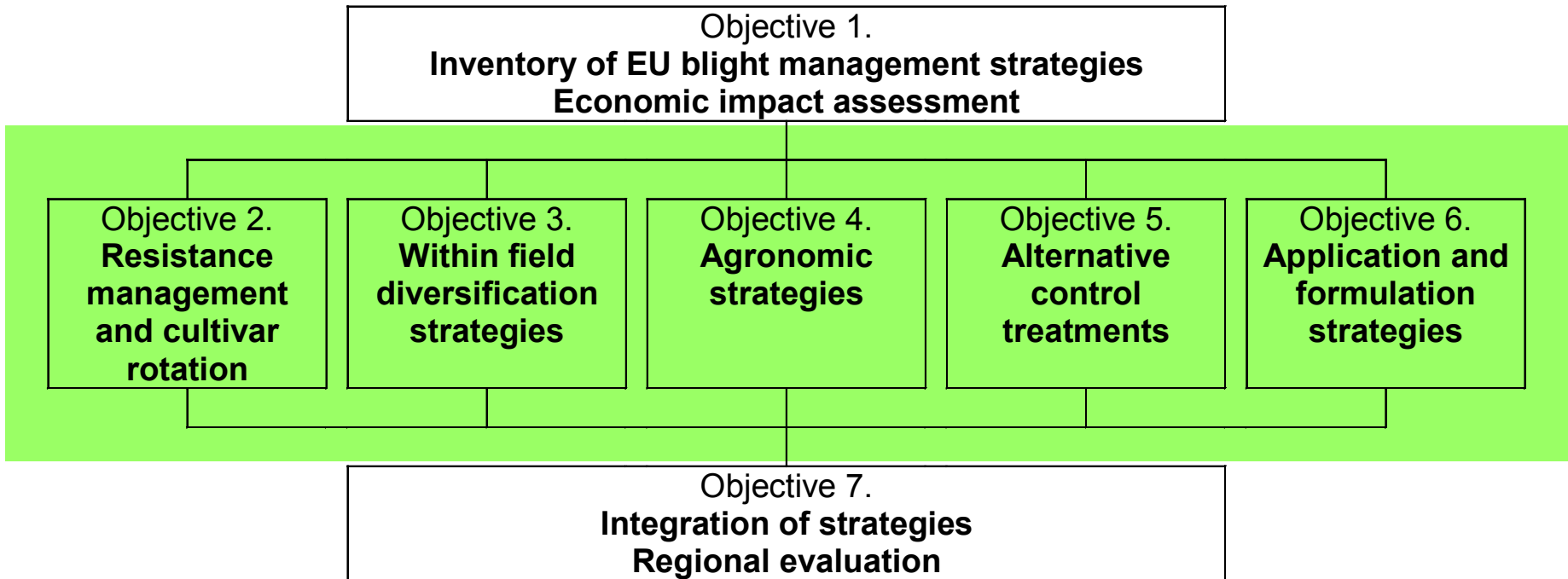


- **Bodenfruchtbarkeit (inkl. Düngung), Pflanzdatum, Sortenresistenz und direkte Kontrolle sind die wichtigsten Erfolgsfaktoren**
- **Grosse Unterschiede zwischen Betrieben (auch bei ähnlichen Standortbedingungen)**
- **Engpässe: verbesserte Produktionstechnik und Marktakzeptanz**



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Concept of Blight - MOP



Strategie Komponenten („component strategies“)



- **Sortenresistenz**
- **Diversifizierung (Sortenmischung, Mischkultur)**
- **Agronomische Massnahmen (Pflanzzeitpunkt, Vorkeimen, Bodenbearbeitung/Fruchtbarkeit)**
- **Alternative Präparate**
- **Applikations- und Formulierungstechnik von Präparaten**

Evaluation von Einzelstrategien

- **Wirkungsgrad**
- **Kosten**
- **Risiken**
- **Interaktionen mit anderen Strategien**
- **Machbarkeit/betriebliche Voraussetzungen**
- **Akzeptanz (Produzent, Konsument)**
- **...**

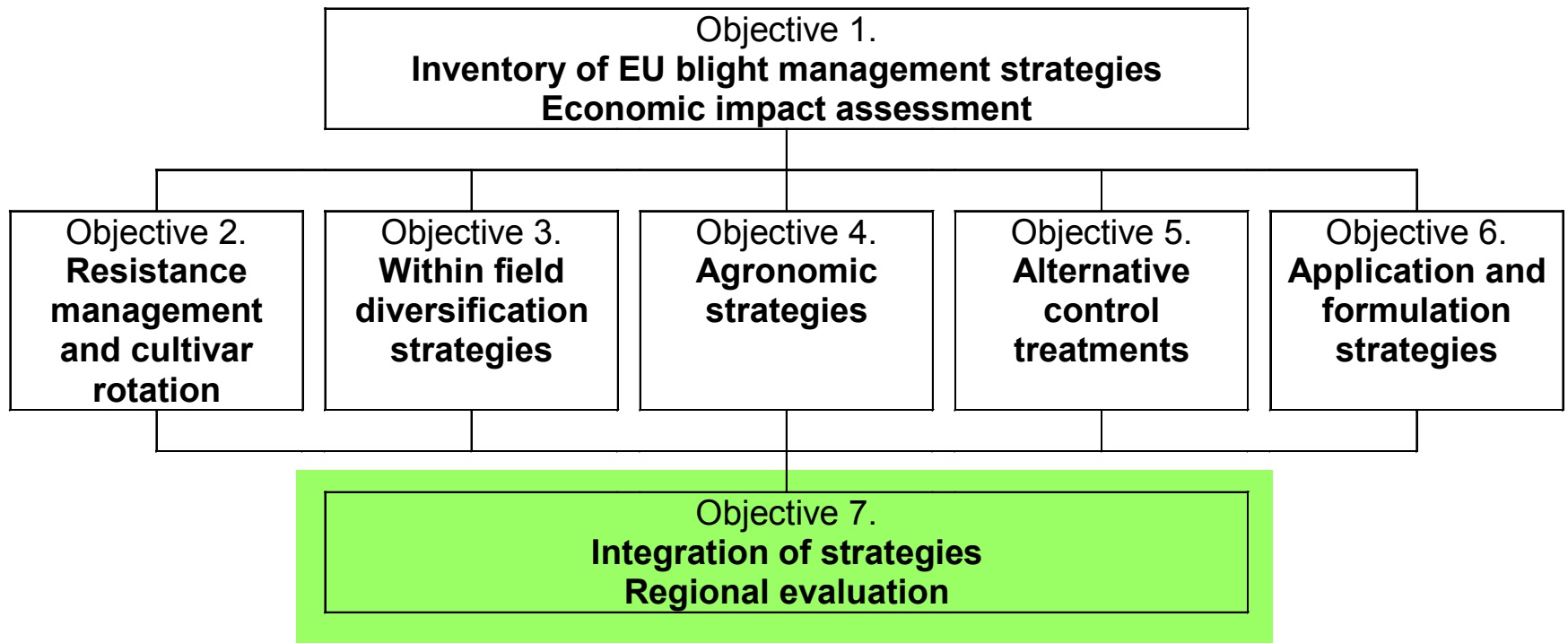
Schlussfolgerungen III



- **Wirkungsgrad und Kosten/Nutzen hängen von der Wirkungsweise der Strategie und vom Umfeld ab**

- **Auswahl der optimalen Kombination von Einzelstrategien für jeden Betrieb**

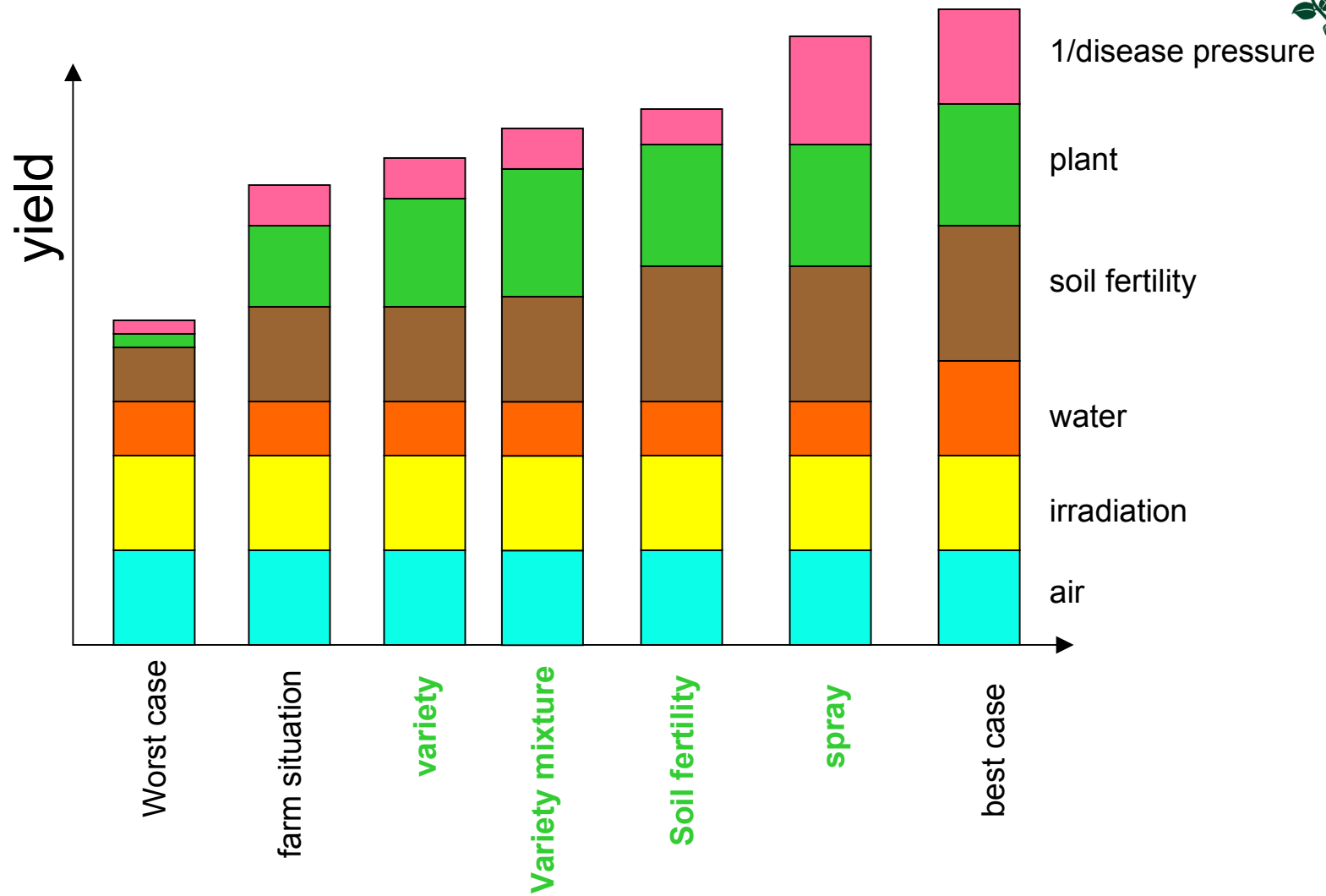
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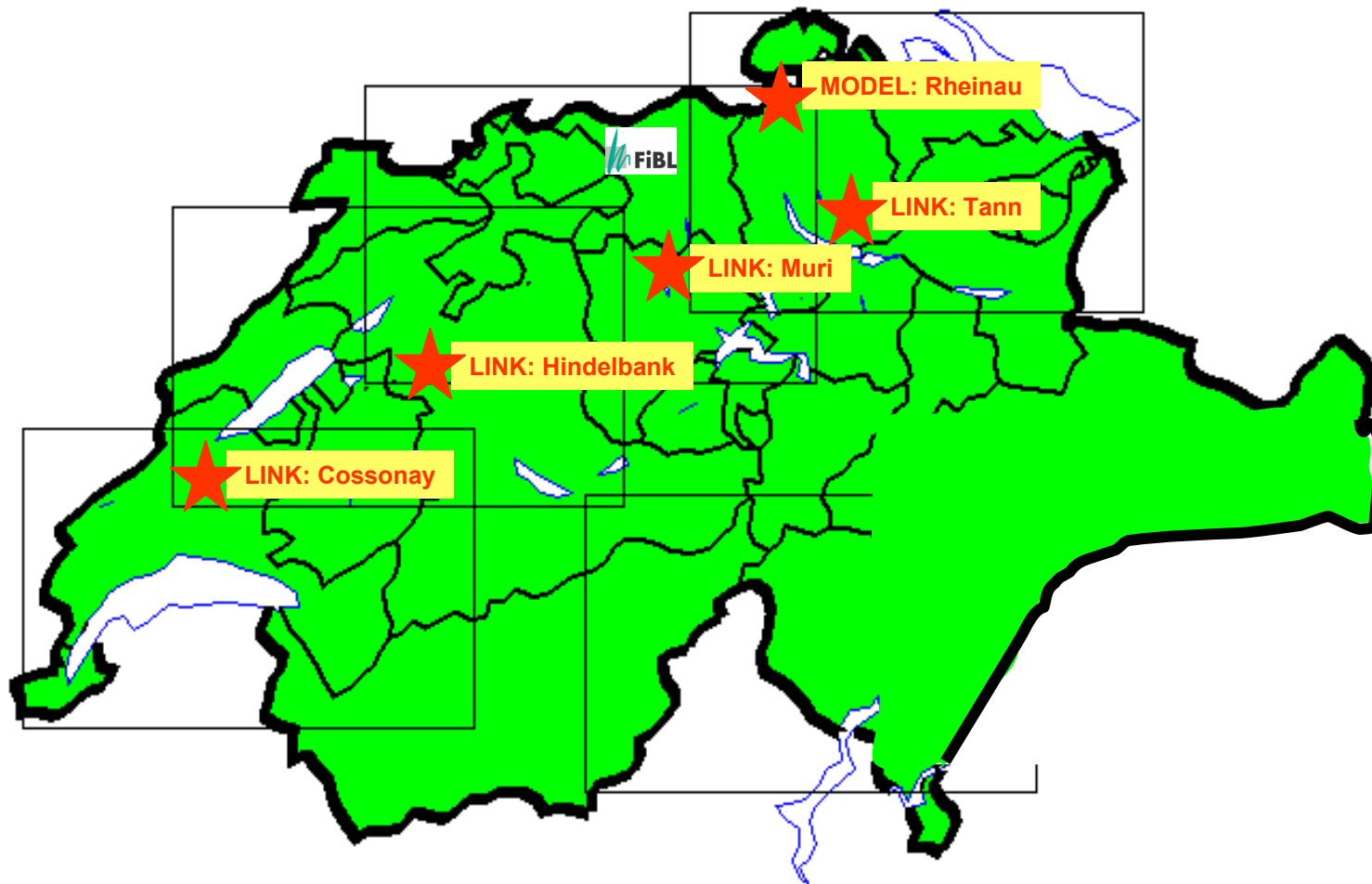


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Case study: Switzerland Model farm



Trial sites in Switzerland



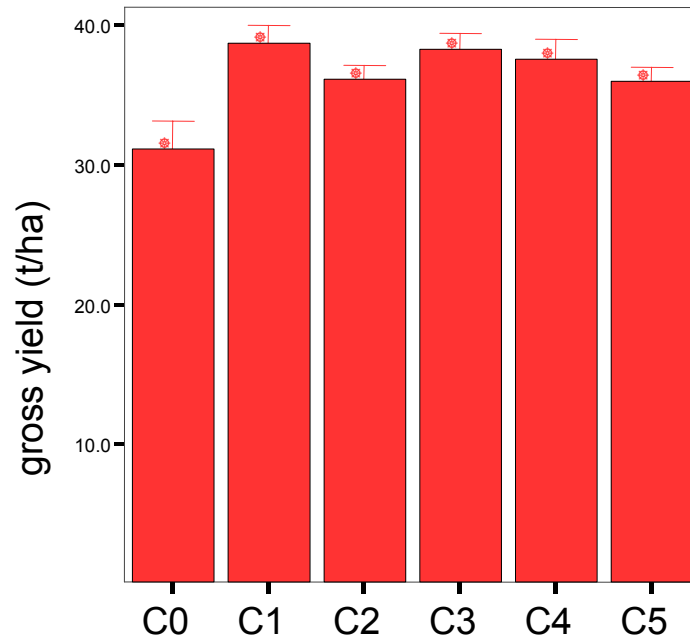
Model farm CH (Rheinau) on May 21



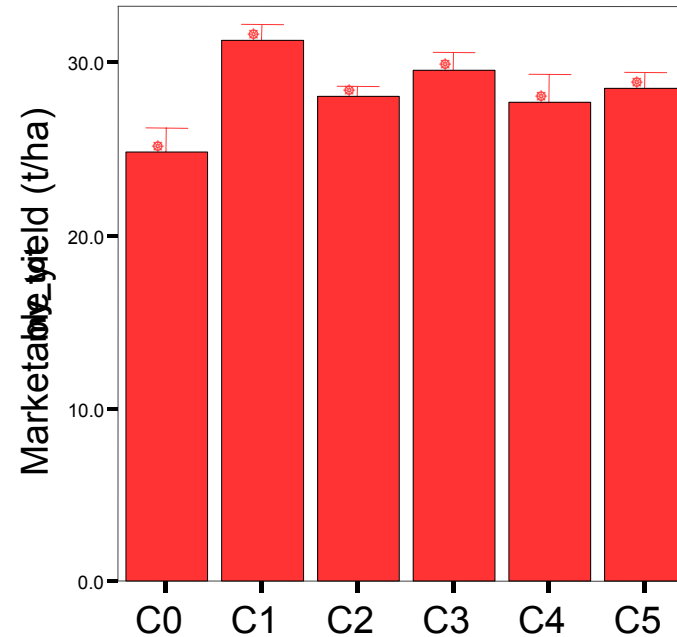
Model farm Switzerland: yields



Gross yield



Marketable yield

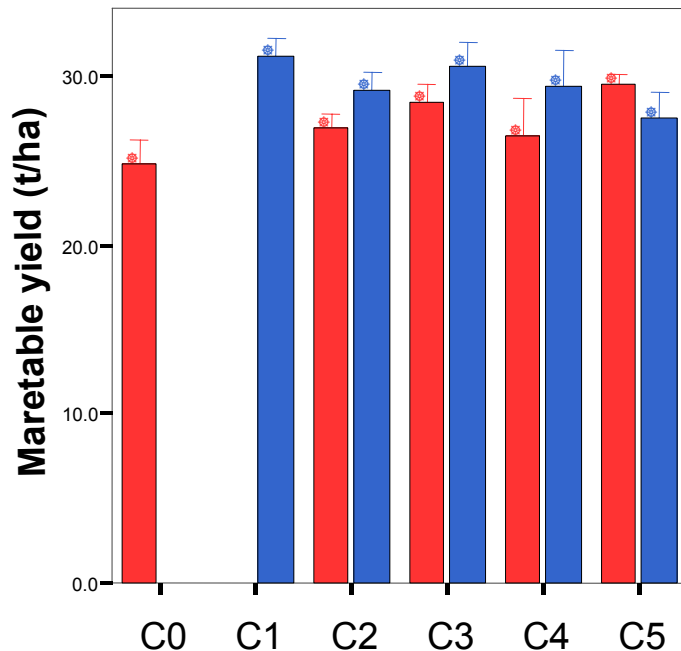


CULBMS	standard variety
CULBMS+1	resistant variety 1
CULBMS+1+2	diversification strategy
CULMBS+1+2+3	agronomic strategy 1 (soil fertility management)
CULMBS+1+2+3+4	Alternative treatments (Myco Sin) 5 applications
CULMBS+1+2+3+4+5	Application technology

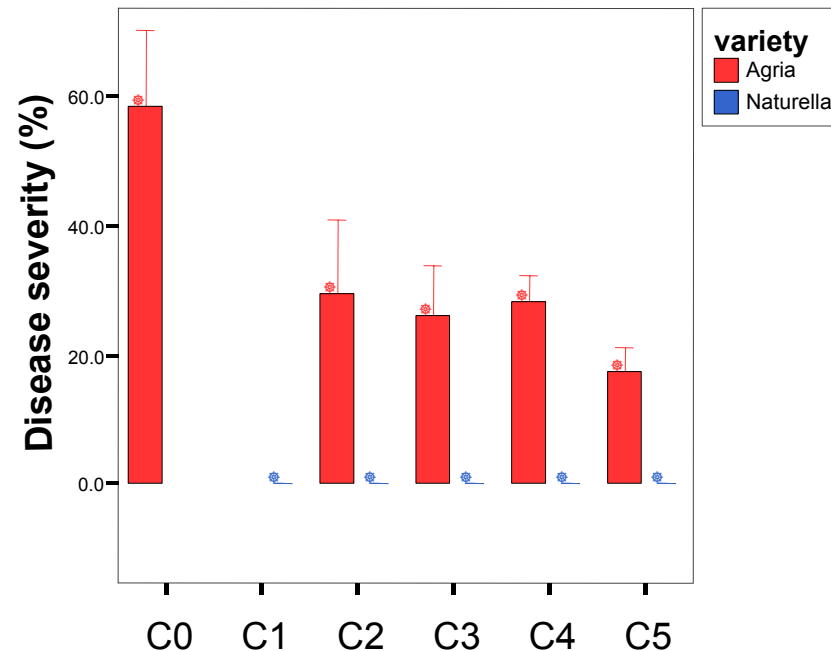
Model farm Switzerland: yields & LB



Marketable yield



Late blight severity



CULBMS
 CULBMS+1
 CULBMS+1+2
 CULMBS+1+2+3
 CULMBS+1+2+3+4
 CULMBS+1+2+3+4+5

standard variety
 resistant variety 1
 diversification strategy
 agronomic strategy 1 (soil fertility management)
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 Application technology

Model farm CH: Cost vs. benefit



Costs	component strategy	Euro/ha	CULBMS	CULBMS +1	CULBMS +1+2	CULBMS +1+2+3	CULBMS +1+2+3+4	CULBMS +1+2+3+4+5
CULBMS	standard variety	2673	8'144					
CULBMS+1	resistant variety 1	2673	8'144					
CULBMS+1+2	diversification strategy	2673			8'420			
CULMBS+1+2+3	agronomic strategy 1 (soil fertility management)	177				8'592		
CULMBS+1+2+3+4	Alternative treatments (Myco Sin) 5 applications	162					9'054	
CULMBS+1+2+3+4+5	Application technology	162						9'879

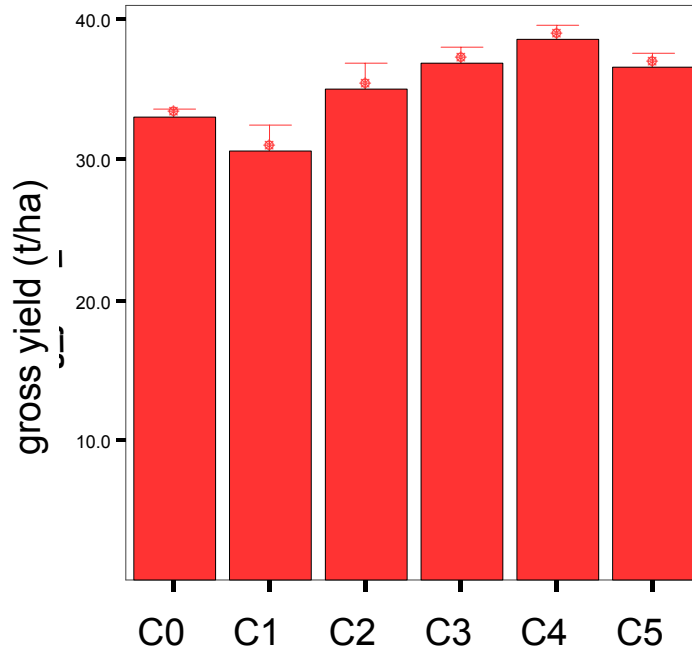
Yield	component strategy	Euro/ha	CULBMS	CULBMS +1	CULBMS +1+2	CULBMS +1+2+3	CULBMS +1+2+3+4	CULBMS +1+2+3+4+5
CULBMS	standard variety	14'861	14'861					
CULBMS+1	resistant variety 1	18'726	18'726					
CULBMS+1+2	diversification strategy	16'794			16'794			
CULMBS+1+2+3	agronomic strategy 1 (soil fertility management)	17'706				17'706		
CULMBS+1+2+3+4	Alternative treatments (Myco Sin) 5 applications	16'629					16'629	
CULMBS+1+2+3+4+5	Application technology	17'116						17'116

yield-costs	6'718	10'583	8'375	9'114	7'575	7'237
extra yield-extra costs	0	3'865	1'657	2'397	857	519

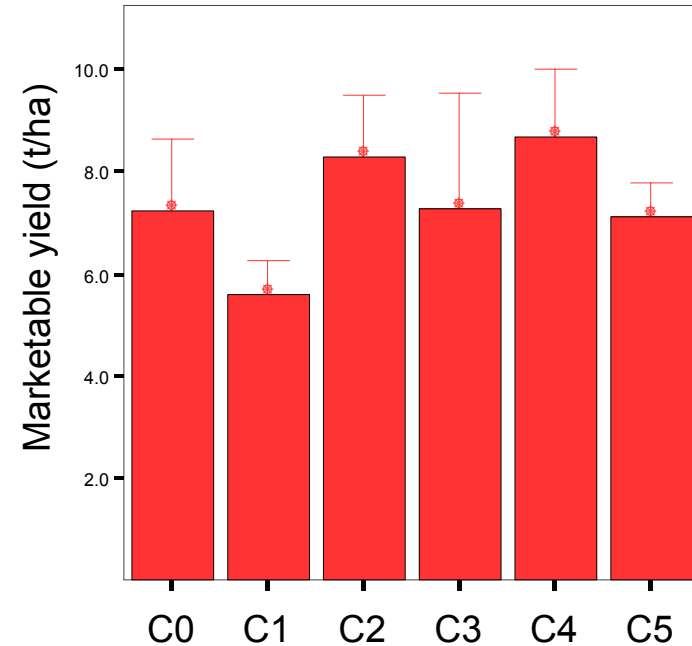
Model Farm NL



Gross yield



Marketable yield



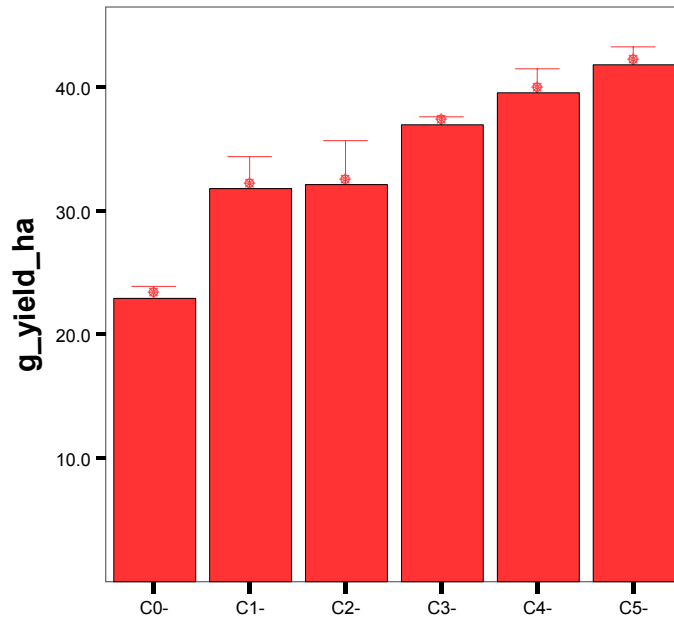
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standard variety
organic Fertilizer after ridge formation
compost
chitting
plant density reduced
plant strengthener

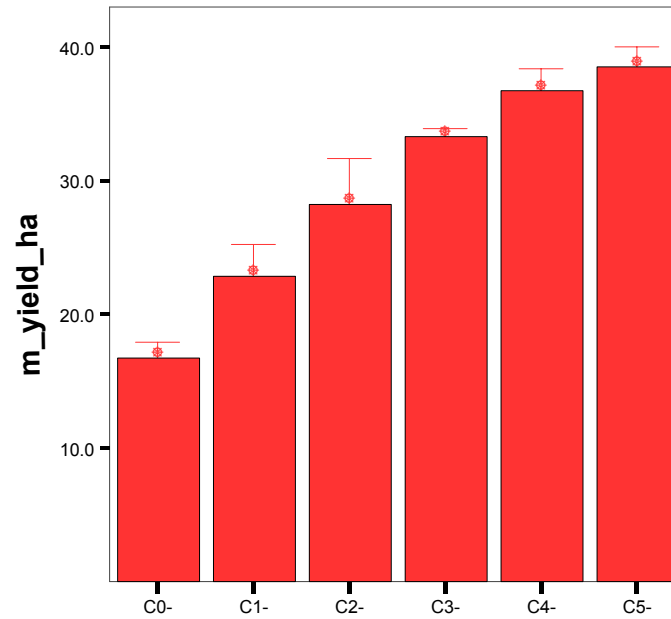
Model farm UK



Gross yield



Marketable yield



CULBMS

CULBMS+1

CULBMS+1+2

CULMBS+1+2+3

CULMBS+1+2+3+4

CULMBS+1+2+3+4+5

standard variety

Resistant variety

chitting

Early defoliation

compost

plant strengthener

LINK farm experiments: e.g. Tann, CH



CULBMS

variety Désirée

CULBMS improved

Variety mixture (Désirée / Appell) Myco-Sin spraying



Preliminary results of Link Farms



Country	Farm	integrated strategy	Marketable yield	
			difference	Remarks
UK	Link farm 1	Resistant variety + chitting + fertility management	80%	
	Link farm 2	Resistant variety + chitting + fertility management	25%	
	Link farm 3	Resistant variety + chitting + fertility management	100%	
	Link farm 4	Resistant variety + chitting + fertility management	80%	
Switzerland	Link farm 1	Variety mixture + leaf fertilizer, no copper	20%	
	Link farm 2	Variety mixture + plant strengthener	25%	
	Link farm 3	Resistant variety	-5%	no more copper
	Link farm 4	Variety mixture + BCA against Rhizoctonia	-10%	no late blight
Netherlands	Link farm 1	other precrop + improved fertility input	5%	
	Link farm 2	intercropping with flowering mixture	0%	
	Link farm 3	other precrop, pre-planting fertilisation, after planting fertilisation	100%	
	Link farm 4	other precrop + compost	-90%	
Denmark	Link farm 1			
	Link farm 2			
	Link farm 3			
	Link farm 4			
Norway	Link farm 1			
	Link farm 2			
	Link farm 3			
	Link farm 4			
Germany	Link farm 1			
	Link farm 2			
	Link farm 3			
	Link farm 4			

Schlussfolgerungen IV



- Wir haben im Jahr 2004 auf 35 Betrieben in 7 Ländern Alternativstrategien vorgeschlagen und evaluiert
- Die vorläufige zeigt, dass in vielen Fällen substantielle Ertragssteigerungen möglich sind (bis zu 20 t/ha marktfähiger Ertrag/ha)
- Kupfer-freier biologischer Kartoffelanbau ist möglich und auch wirtschaftlich in optimierten Systemen

Verdankungen



- 118 farmers (survey)
- 35 farmers (Link and Model farm experiments)
- 20-30 colleagues in 13 partner institutions in Blight MOP
- EU and national sponsors

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