

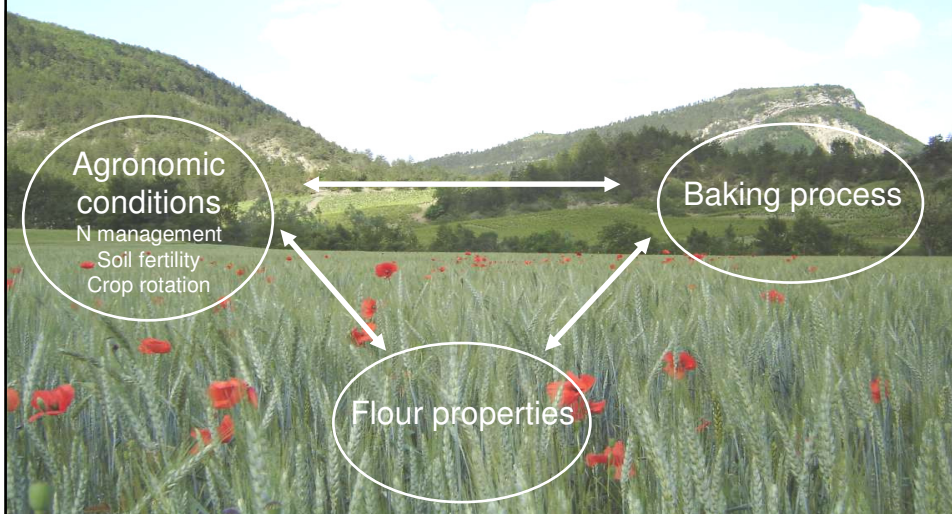
AGronomical and TEChnological methods to improve ORGanic wheat quality

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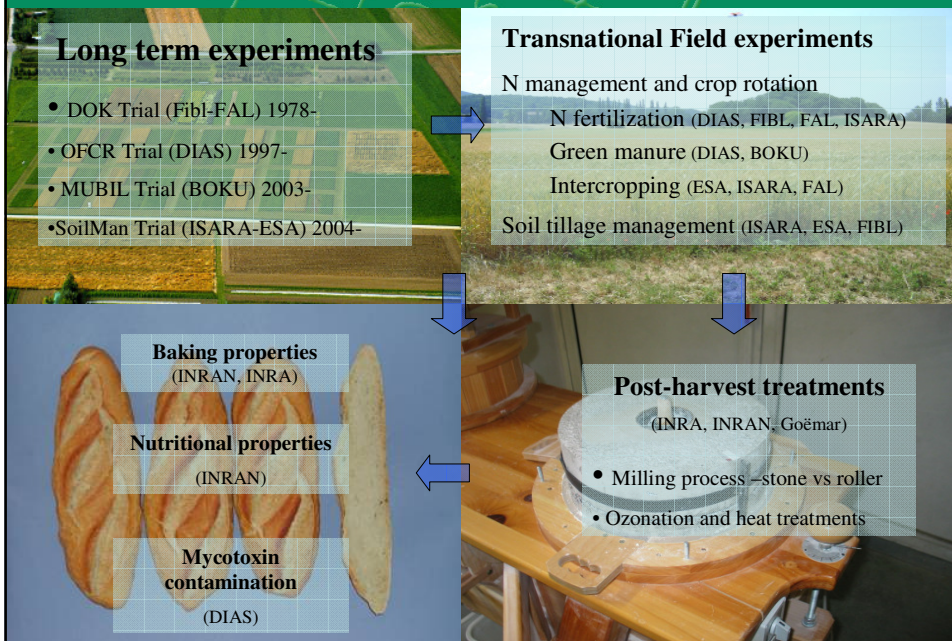


Enhancing baking quality and nutritional values of organic wheat without contaminants



Objectives

- Evaluate the current practices for organic grain wheat production and flour-processing in Europe.
- Improve crop management strategies to enable bread-making quality wheat to be produced on organic farms with and without livestock.
- Develop optimal post-harvest treatment to prevent mycotoxin contamination and enhance bread making quality and nutritional value.
- To generalise results from experiments in order to enhance farm management strategies in various climates and soil types observed in Europe.



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FIBL Trial

3 experimental factors – 8 treatments
1 site

- Mouldboard ploughing vs Reduced tillage
- Slurry vs Slurry+manure compost
- Biodynamic preparations vs no preparations

SoilManTrials

1 experimental factor 4 treatments – 2 sites

- Mouldboard ploughing** - 30 cm - soil inversion
- Shallow mouldboard ploughing** - 15 - 20 cm - soil inversion
- Reduced tillage with tine tool** 10 - 15 cm - no soil inversion
- No tillage** - 0 - 5 cm - no soil inversion

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Intercropping or undersowing system

wheat-pea / wheat-clover mixtures

3 experimental factors – 24 treatments
1 site

Wheat / Pea ratio : 50/50 - 70/30 – 100/0 – 0/100

N fertilization strategies
Time of N application (3 dates)
N amount (2 levels)

N fertilization

3 experimental factors 4 sites

- Crop rotation with high vs low proportion of N-fixing crops
- N fertilization with vs without supply of animal slurry or manure
- Biodynamic vs Organic systems

Green manure

3 experimental factors – 5 sites

Seed rate of clovers grass (3 levels)

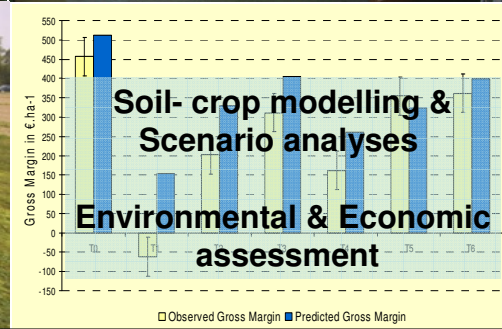
Green manure

2 experimental factors 4 treatments – 3 sites

- Type of green manure
- Time of incorporation

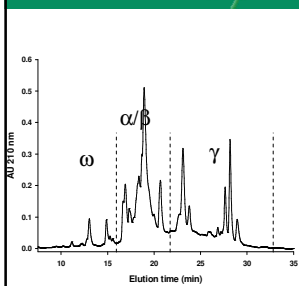
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Innovative agronomical and technological methods



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Multifactorial analysis



Bread making properties

- Dough rheological analysis
- Redox status
- Zeleny sedimentation index
- Gluten index
- Flour rheological properties



Mycotoxin contamination

- Fusarium sp. Detection
- DON concentration

Nutritional values

- Dietary fibre
- Bound Hydrophilic antioxidants
- Hardness
- Ash
- Total protein

Added value of the collaboration

- The use of long term experiments, surveys and analytical trials
- The assessment of innovative crop management and milling processes
- The combination of agronomical and technological methods
- A multidisciplinary consortium
- A permanent link with farmers and millers through participatory research

Context

- It is a challenge to organic farmers, millers and bakeries to fulfil consumer expectations of providing healthy and safe products without impairing yield performance.
- The quality of organic grain can be modified by agronomic conditions such as crop management, crop rotation, and soil fertility. Therefore, food processing technologies such as the post-harvest handling of the grain and the flour processing are also key factors in producing bread of high nutritional value without contaminants.

