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**Figure 1.** The mean total dry matter yield (DMY) over the period of 2009 – 2022. The letters indicate significant differences (Tukey’s honest significance test, *P* < 0.05).

**Table 1.** The mean total dry matter yield (DMY, kg ha -1) of each cut over the period of 2009 – 2022. The letters indicate significant differences (Tukey’s honest significance test, *P* < 0.05).

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| **Year** | **Cut 1** | **Cut 2** | **Cut 3** | **Cut 4** |
| 2009 | 2172 gh | 3397 abc | 2492 a | - |
| 2010 | 3678 ef | 2198 c | 2337 ab | 1137 a |
| 2011 | 2461 fgh | 3480 abc | 1972 abc | - |
| 2012 | 3531 efg | 3086 abc | 1959 abc | - |
| 2013 | 1629 h | 2506 c | 1729 abcd | - |
| 2014 | 2053 h | 4285 a | 1708 abcd | - |
| 2016 | 5719 cd | 2882 bc | 1610 bcd | - |
| 2017 | 4109 e | 3887 ab | 1452 cd | 778 ab |
| 2018 | 4513 de | 3249 abc | 1129 de | - |
| 2019 | 3712 ef | 2737 bc | 586 e | 559 ab |
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Regression analysis indicated that out of all weather variables, only winter period (WP) average temperature (Tavg) and total precipitation during growth period (GP) had a statistically significant effect on the first cut DMY. The model explained 51% of yield variance (*P* < 0.05). The effect of GDD, Tavg, total precipitation and GP duration on DMY of subsequent cuts were tested as well. Only Tavg had significant effect on 2nd cut DMY (R2 = 0.435, *P* < 0.05) and 3rd cut DMY (R2 = 0.38, *P* < 0.05) according to regression analysis (Figure 2).

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**Figure 2.** The relationship between dry matter yield (DMY) of 2nd and 3rd cuts and average temperature of corresponding growing period. The lines represent linear regression.

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