

# Supplementary Material for ‘Long-term use of cover crops’

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## General Site Management Summary

Table 1: General Site Description

Site Description	General Location	Treatment Description	Year
Central Grain	Boyd Farm, Boone, field 44	corn/soybean grain rotation, with and without rye cover crop	
Central Grain	Boyd Farm, Boone, field 42	corn/soybean grain rotation, with and without rye cover crop	
Central Silage	Boyd Farm, Boone, field 44	corn silage/soybean grain rotation, with and without rye cover crop	
Central Silage	Boyd Farm, Boone, field 42	corn silage/soybean grain rotation, with and without rye cover crop	
West	Jefferson, IA	corn/soybean grain rotation, with and without rye cover crop	
East	Washington, IA	corn/soybean grain rotation, with and without rye cover crop	

Table 2: 2018-2019 Herbicide Use

Site Description	Herbicides Used in 2018 Growing Season	Herbicides Used in Fall 2018	Herbicides Used in Spring 2019
Central Grain	glyphosate 1 week before soybean planting	none	glyphosate 1 week before corn planting, Lumax at planting
Central Grain	glyphosate 1 week before corn planting, Lumax at planting	none	glyphosate 1 week before soybean planting
Central Silage	glyphosate 1 week before soybean planting	none	glyphosate 1 week before corn planting, Lumax at planting
Central Silage	glyphosate 1 week before corn planting, Lumax at planting	none	glyphosate 1 week before soybean planting
West	Roundup and Cadet	none	Roundup and Cadet
East	April 15-Roundup Powermax 32 oz; April 15-Aceto chlor ATZ 40 oz; May 14-Aatrex 9-0 1/2; May 14-Harness Max 40 oz; June 15-Warrant Ultra 50 oz; June 15-Roundup Powermax 22 oz;	none	3 oz Fierce XLT with 26-32 oz Roundup Powermax as burndown followed by a post emergence application of 22 oz Xtendimax plus 2 pt of Warrant

Table 3: General Management

Site Description	General Herbicide Regime	General Date of Cover Crop Termination	General Date of Crop Planting	I
Central Grain	burndown, residual herbicide at corn planting	15-Apr	26-Apr	
Central Grain	burndown, residual herbicide at corn planting	25-Apr	5-May	
Central Silage	burndown, residual herbicide at corn planting	15-Apr	26-Apr	
Central Silage	burndown, residual herbicide at corn planting	25-Apr	5-May	
West	burndown, pre-emergent herbicide	1-May	10-May	
East	burndown, residual herbicide at planting, another application on corn at ~V6	1-May	5-May	



## Field wet soil amounts

Table 4: Wet Soil Weights Immediately After Sampling

site	cc_trt	rep	soilwt_g	notes
BC	no	1	6718.3	sampled 4/8, 12-6pm
BC	rye	1	6936.2	sampled 4/8, 12-6pm
BC	no	2	6838.6	sampled 4/8, 12-6pm
BC	rye	2	5965.2	sampled 4/8, 12-6pm
BC	no	3	6260.4	sampled 4/8, 12-6pm
BC	rye	3	6136.0	sampled 4/8, 12-6pm
BC	no	4	5554.9	sampled 4/9
BC	rye	4	6312.7	sampled 4/9
BC	no	5	5866.2	sampled 4/9
BC	rye	5	5981.1	sampled 4/9
Bcsil	rye	1	6340.0	sampled 4/16, 2-6pm
Bcsil	no	1	5800.0	sampled 4/16, 2-6pm
Bcsil	rye	2	5990.0	sampled 4/16, 2-6pm
Bcsil	no	2	6100.0	sampled 4/16, 2-6pm
Bcsil	no	3	6245.5	sampled 4/8
Bcsil	rye	3	6160.2	sampled 4/8
Bcsil	no	4	6240.2	sampled 4/8
Bcsil	rye	4	6007.5	sampled 4/8
Bcsil	no	5	6682.9	sampled 4/8
Bcsil	rye	5	6045.7	sampled 4/8
BS	rye	1	6068.7	sampled 4/9
BS	no	2	6240.3	sampled 4/9
BS	rye	2	5950.5	sampled 4/9
BS	no	3	5885.7	sampled 4/9
BS	rye	3	5734.1	sampled 4/9
BS	no	4	6213.3	sampled 4/9
BS	rye	4	5968.2	sampled 4/9
BS	no	5	6175.8	sampled 4/9
BS	rye	5	6050.4	sampled 4/9
East	no	1	5349.6	sampled 4/6, 8-5pm
East	rye	1	5460.6	sampled 4/6, 8-5pm
East	no	2	5235.5	sampled 4/6, 8-5pm
East	rye	2	5055.2	sampled 4/6, 8-5pm
East	no	3	5211.1	sampled 4/6, 8-5pm
East	rye	3	4991.7	sampled 4/6, 8-5pm
East	no	4	5401.6	sampled 4/6, 8-5pm
East	rye	4	5163.9	sampled 4/6, 8-5pm
West	no	1	6314.0	sampled 4/17, 9-2pm
West	rye	1	6401.0	sampled 4/17, 9-2pm
West	no	2	5841.0	sampled 4/17, 9-2pm
West	rye	2	5543.0	sampled 4/17, 9-2pm
West	no	3	5698.0	sampled 4/17, 9-2pm
West	rye	3	5947.0	sampled 4/17, 9-2pm
West	no	4	6057.0	sampled 4/17, 9-2pm
West	rye	4	5989.0	sampled 4/17, 9-2pm

# Statistical Results

*Note: Boyd refers to the Central site, Stout to the East site, and Funcke to the West site*

## Linear models on seedbank density

Values are presented for the models run with the full dataset (XX\_full) and with the outlier removed (XX\_out-rm)

Table 5: Contrasts with full dataset and dataset with outlier removed

model	level1	level2	site_sys	estimate	std.error	z.ratio	p.value
pois_out-rm	no	rye	Boyd_grain	-0.32	0.26	-1.22	0.22
pois_out-rm	no	rye	Boyd_silage	0.95	0.35	2.66	0.01
pois_out-rm	no	rye	Funcke_grain	0.71	0.42	1.68	0.09
pois_out-rm	no	rye	Stout_grain	0.42	0.41	1.03	0.31
pois_full	no	rye	Boyd_grain	-0.32	0.27	-1.19	0.24
pois_full	no	rye	Boyd_silage	0.95	0.37	2.58	0.01
pois_full	no	rye	Funcke_grain	0.36	0.40	0.91	0.37
pois_full	no	rye	Stout_grain	0.43	0.43	1.00	0.32
binom_out-rm	no	rye	Boyd_grain	-0.33	0.26	-1.27	0.20
binom_out-rm	no	rye	Boyd_silage	1.02	0.34	2.99	0.00
binom_out-rm	no	rye	Funcke_grain	0.71	0.41	1.72	0.09
binom_out-rm	no	rye	Stout_grain	0.45	0.40	1.12	0.26
binom_full	no	rye	Boyd_grain	-0.33	0.26	-1.23	0.22
binom_full	no	rye	Boyd_silage	1.03	0.35	2.92	0.00
binom_full	no	rye	Funcke_grain	0.28	0.39	0.71	0.48
binom_full	no	rye	Stout_grain	0.45	0.41	1.09	0.27

Table 6: Estimates with full dataset and dataset with outlier removed

model	cc_trt	site_sys	estimate	std.error	asympt.LCL	asympt.UCL
pois_out-rm	no	Boyd_grain	2.97	0.23	2.52	3.42
pois_out-rm	rye	Boyd_grain	3.29	0.23	2.85	3.73
pois_out-rm	no	Boyd_silage	4.30	0.30	3.72	4.88
pois_out-rm	rye	Boyd_silage	3.35	0.30	2.76	3.95
pois_out-rm	no	Funcke_grain	6.02	0.34	5.35	6.69
pois_out-rm	rye	Funcke_grain	5.31	0.39	4.55	6.07
pois_out-rm	no	Stout_grain	3.32	0.36	2.62	4.03
pois_out-rm	rye	Stout_grain	2.90	0.36	2.19	3.61
pois_full	no	Boyd_grain	2.97	0.24	2.50	3.43
pois_full	rye	Boyd_grain	3.29	0.23	2.83	3.74
pois_full	no	Boyd_silage	4.29	0.31	3.69	4.90
pois_full	rye	Boyd_silage	3.35	0.31	2.74	3.96
pois_full	no	Funcke_grain	6.02	0.35	5.33	6.71
pois_full	rye	Funcke_grain	5.66	0.36	4.97	6.36
pois_full	no	Stout_grain	3.32	0.37	2.60	4.05
pois_full	rye	Stout_grain	2.90	0.38	2.16	3.63
binom_out-rm	no	Boyd_grain	3.11	0.23	2.67	3.55
binom_out-rm	rye	Boyd_grain	3.44	0.23	3.00	3.88
binom_out-rm	no	Boyd_silage	4.45	0.29	3.87	5.02
binom_out-rm	rye	Boyd_silage	3.42	0.30	2.84	4.01
binom_out-rm	no	Funcke_grain	6.03	0.33	5.37	6.68
binom_out-rm	rye	Funcke_grain	5.32	0.38	4.58	6.06
binom_out-rm	no	Stout_grain	3.43	0.36	2.73	4.13
binom_out-rm	rye	Stout_grain	2.98	0.36	2.28	3.69
binom_full	no	Boyd_grain	3.11	0.23	2.65	3.57
binom_full	rye	Boyd_grain	3.43	0.24	2.97	3.90
binom_full	no	Boyd_silage	4.44	0.30	3.85	5.04
binom_full	rye	Boyd_silage	3.42	0.31	2.81	4.02
binom_full	no	Funcke_grain	6.04	0.35	5.35	6.72
binom_full	rye	Funcke_grain	5.76	0.36	5.06	6.46
binom_full	no	Stout_grain	3.42	0.37	2.69	4.15
binom_full	rye	Stout_grain	2.98	0.37	2.24	3.71

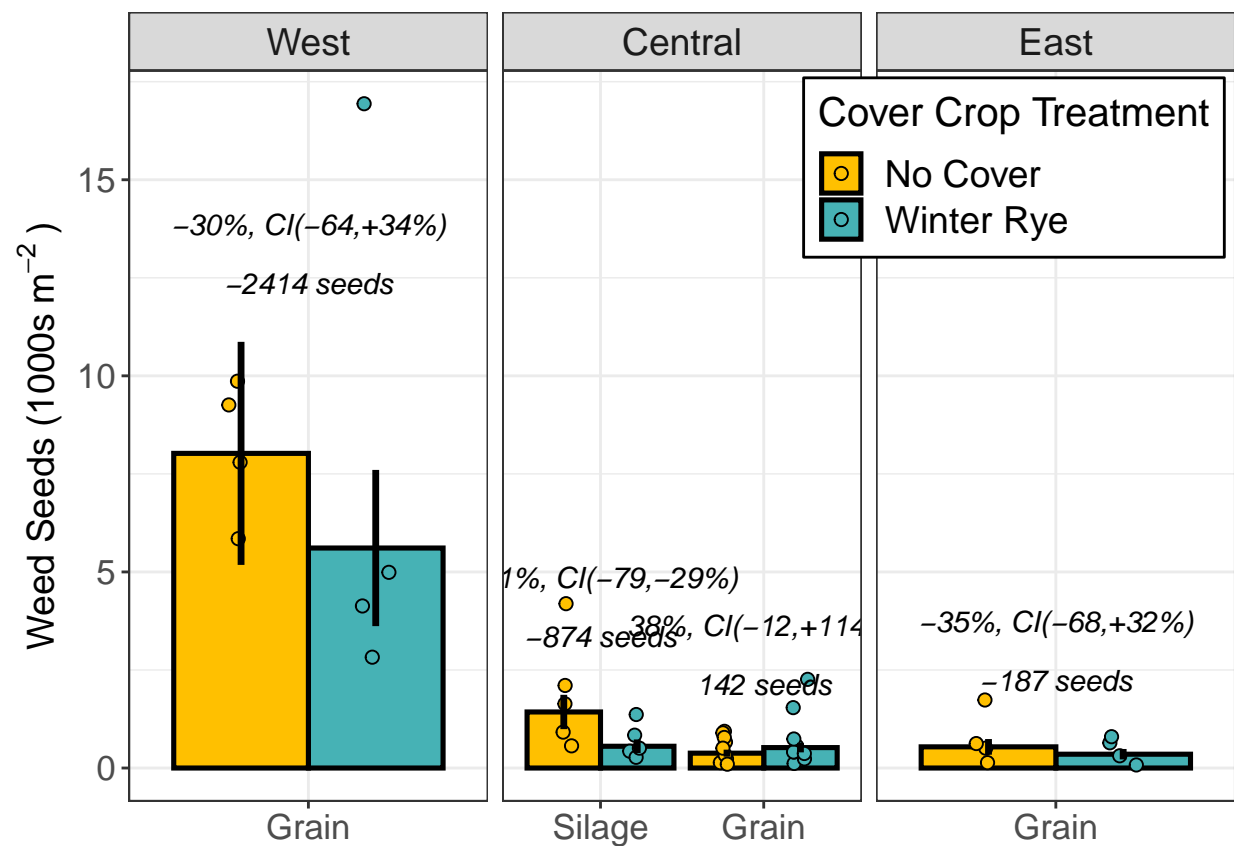


Figure 1: Figure 2 on full dataset



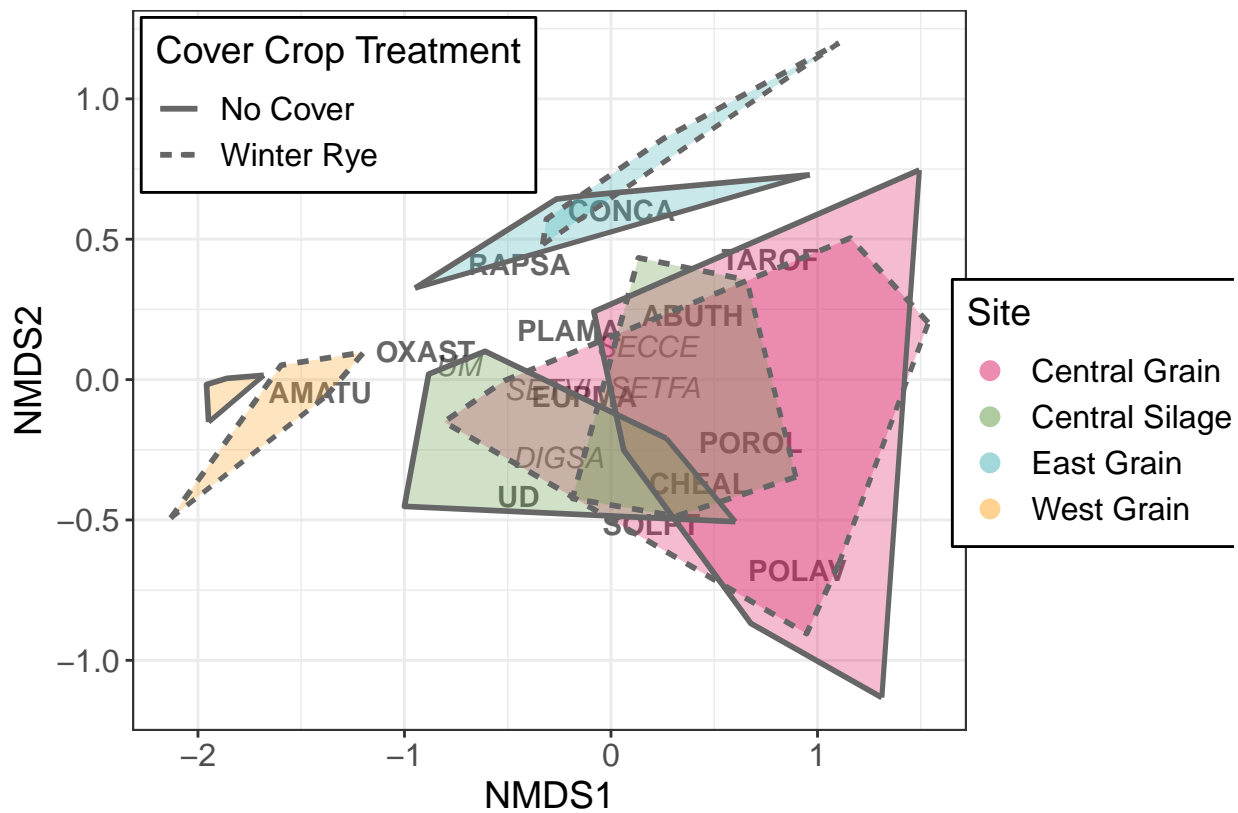


Figure 2: Figure 4 on full dataset

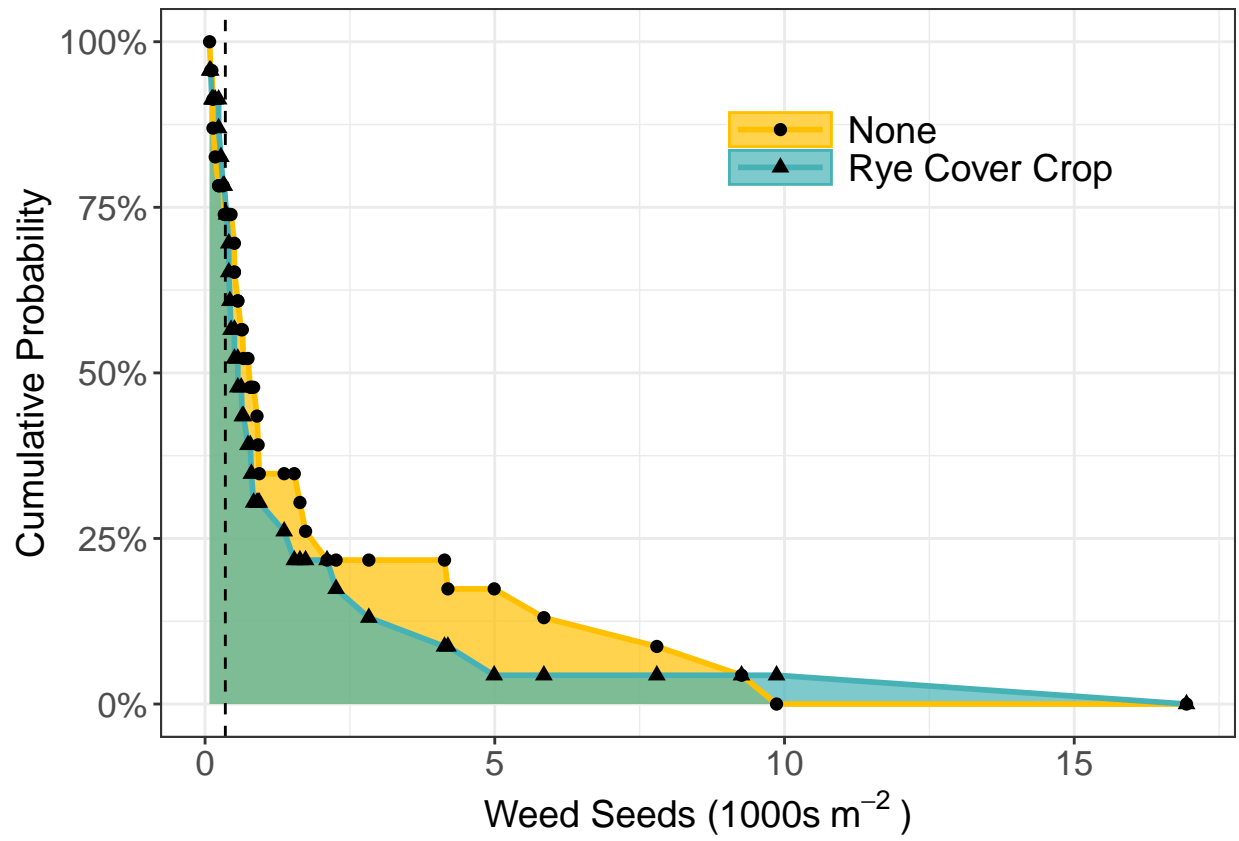


Figure 3: Figure 5 on full dataset