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## Abstract

The main objective of this project was to identify factors contributing to the reliability of production and the optimum management of winter malting barley on heavy land. The trial was over three cropping years for the harvests of 1991, 1992 and 1993. Two winter barley malting varieties, Pipkin and Puffin were grown at 4 nitrogen rates (0, 80, 120 and 160 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> N) and, under 4 plant growth regulator regimes (PGR), (1) Nil, (2) chlormequat only [as New 5-C Cycocel], (3) 2-chloroethyl phosphonic acid only [as Terpal], and (4) a sequence of (2) and (3). In each year the trial was done at four heavier soil sites and one light land site. The four heavy land sites were selected as being good wheat growing soils, rather than malting barley land, and the fifth site was on a sandy loam with a history of production of malting barley. Satisfactory grain yields and quality were achieved at all sites. At all nitrogen rates and across all sites, Puffin (6.14 t ha<sup>-1</sup>) slightly outyielded Pipkin (5.96 t ha<sup>-1</sup>), and Pipkin had lower grain nitrogen (1.54%) than Puffin (1.60% N). Yield increased with increasing nitrogen rates, as did grain nitrogen content. The optimum nitrogen rate for yield and quality varied between 80 and 120 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> N at individual sites in the three years. Puffin produced less small grain than Pipkin, and this was especially evident where lodging was severe. The small grain fraction was less than 6%, so only slight screening losses would have been incurred in reducing screenings to <5%. Lodging was significant only at one site in 1991. It occurred at all sites in 1992 and at two sites in 1993. In all cases it increased with increasing nitrogen rates. Pipkin was worst affected but good control was achieved with Terpal alone or the chlormequat Terpal sequence. Chlormequat on its own did not reduce lodging or significantly increase yield.

All treatments taken individually produced significant differences in all variates; the exceptions being no significant effect of nitrogen on 1000 grain weight in 1992, and PGR on small grain fractions in 1993. This abundance of significant effects, and the annual variation between the performance of sites both in yield and quality show variability to be a problem. The traditional malting site was the most consistent at achieving the required quality. Management regimes should be designed to improve consistency at the non-malting sites.

Micromalting evaluation was done on the lowest grain nitrogen samples selected from all sites. As a result most samples tested were from the 80 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> treatment from various PGR treatments. Three samples per site were tested from the 1991 harvest, and five per site in 1992 and 1993. In 1992 and 1993, samples from the nil and 120 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> were included. Samples that showed low germinative energy on receipt for micromalting were not tested. Using Hot Water Extract as the main malting quality parameter showed quality to be inversely correlated with grain nitrogen, as were other quality parameters to varying degrees. There were no abnormal features in the micromalt analyses.

This project shows that malting barley can be grown on heavy land provided the soil mineral nitrogen status is monitored, so to avoid excessive fertiliser use and high grain nitrogen content. Marketable varieties must be selected, and a reliable efficient PGR programme used.

## INTRODUCTION

Malting barley has traditionally been grown on the lighter soils with modest nitrogen inputs (Archer, 1985) and where winter barley is grown on heavy land, high yielding feed varieties predominate. Concern about high grain nitrogen levels and lodging has put most growers off trying to grow malting varieties on these heavy soils. HGCA funded research has shown that heavy land and its higher moisture holding capacity can be suited to producing quality malting samples. Indeed, light soils have relatively low available water capacity (AWC) and this can lead to lower yields and higher grain nitrogen contents than malting crops produced on heavier soils with high AWCs (Garstang, Vaughan and Dyer, 1993). With adequate moisture heavier soils can permit the use of slightly higher rates of nitrogen fertiliser for the same grain nitrogen.

Recent years have seen a marked increase in England and Wales in winter barley production (Anon, 1992) at the expense of the spring crop. This winter sowing enables the crop to be established more reliably on heavier soils in the autumn. The higher profitability of winter wheat compared to winter barley results in these soils carrying winter wheat as the predominant cereal, and these wheat crops are frequently grown with pulses or oilseeds as break crops. Where the production of high protein bread wheats is the target, alternating break crops with just one or two wheat crops is common. If malting barley can be reliably produced there will be greater flexibility of cropping on these heavier soils with improved margins from barley crops.

Modern malting winter barley variety introductions have stiffer straw than the old variety Maris Otter, and its widely grown derivatives Halcyon and Pipkin. This change allows more scope to avoid lodging on heavier soils, and any tendency for varieties to take up marginally higher amounts of nitrogen has become less of a problem as the swing to lager type beers has increased the demand for barleys with up 1.75% nitrogen (Patterson, 1991). This is the cut-off level taken as an acceptable grain sample for malting throughout this report.

With these research findings, varietal introductions, and changes in the industry's requirements in mind the experiment described here was done in the three harvest years 1991, 1992 and 1993.

## OBJECTIVES

The general objective was to test the feasibility of malting barley production on heavier soils. Within this objective two main variables of crop management were to be investigated

1. The optimum nitrogen rates for weak and stiff strawed malting barley varieties grown on heavy, typically 'non-malting' soils.
2. The growth regulator programmes most suitable for the production of high quality malting barley on these sites.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

Five sites, four in England and one in Scotland, were drilled at seed rates calculated to deliver 400 seeds per square metre. Trials were located at the following sites:

	<b>Site</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Main soil type</b>
1.	Little Oakley	Essex	sandy loam
2.	Hardwick	Cambridgeshire	silty clay loam
3.	Goole	Humberside	sandy clay loam
4.	Much Wenlock	Shropshire	sandy silt loam
5.	Penicuik	Midlothian	clay loam

All treatments other than nitrogen and plant growth regulator were as normal farm practice. Full site details are given on pages 31 -33.

### Treatments and Trial Design

The two varieties Puffin and Pipkin were used in a factorially designed trial with four nitrogen rates and four plant growth regulator (PGR) programmes (including nil) to produce blocks of 32 plots. These were replicated three times and the treatments applied in a randomised block

design.

### *Treatments*

Varieties	1.	Pipkin
	2.	Puffin
Nitrogen (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )	1.	0
	2.	80
	3.	120
	4.	160
Growth Regulator	1.	Nil
	2.	1612.5 g chlormequat chloride + 80 g choline chloride as 2.5 l ha <sup>-1</sup> of New 5C Cycocel (BASF plc) applied at growth stage (GS) 30.
	3.	310 g 2-chloroethylphosponic acid + 310 g mepiquat chloride as 2 l ha <sup>-1</sup> of Terpal (BASF plc) applied at GS 37.
	4.	Treatments 2 and 3 in sequence.

Sprays were applied at the growth stage shown in a volume of 200 l ha<sup>-1</sup> using a CO<sub>2</sub>-pressurised knapsack sprayer at a pressure of 200 kPa to give a medium spray quality. Nitrogen, as ammonium nitrate, was applied by hand as a single application just before mid-March at all sites.

### **ASSESSMENTS**

Soil cores were taken in the autumn and spring to determine the level of soil mineral nitrogen (SMN) in the 0-30 cm, 30-60 cm and 60-90 cm horizons of each site.



Assessments of % crop area leaning and lodging were made as and when it occurred and again at harvest. An assessment of fertile tillers was made for both varieties at all nitrogen rates but only the nil and 5C Cycocel treatments

Samples of ears were collected at harvest and grain numbers per ear determined (Sylvester-Bradley, Grylls and Roebuck 1985). The crops were harvested by combine and ex-plot yields were weighed by on-board weighing equipment. Grain samples were taken for correction of grain yield to 85% dry matter and for the determination of specific weight, thousand grain weight and for grain size assessments through 2.2 mm, 2.5 mm and 2.8 mm sieves. Grain nitrogen content was determined by Near Infra-red Reflectance.

For each years results the means of grain yield (at 15% moisture), specific weight, thousand grain weight, grain nitrogen content (% in dry matter), and sieving fractions were compared by analysis of variance using Genstat 5, release 1.3. Site, variety, nitrogen and PGR were the single factors analysed along with their first and second order interactions; for each years analysis this gave 346 error degrees of freedom.

Micro-malting tests were undertaken on the 'best' samples by the Brewing Research Foundation International. These were selected from Pipkin from each site as judged by grain nitrogen, specific weight and screenings were used to prepare micromalt samples. The same nitrogen/PGR plots of Puffin were used to provide equivalent samples. Three samples per site per variety were selected in 1991 and all came from the 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen treatment. In 1992 and 1993 five samples were tested to allow a wider range of treatments including nil and 120 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen treatments. The micro-malting evaluation measured the hot water extract (HWE) from 0.2mm and 0.7mm grist (l<sup>o</sup> kg<sup>-1</sup>), and thus the coarse/fine difference (C/F); colour using the European Brewing Convention scale (Colour EBC); total soluble nitrogen (TSN%); total nitrogen (TN%); soluble nitrogen ratio (SNR%); free ammonia nitrogen (FAN mg l<sup>-1</sup>); pH; Fermentability (%); Viscosity (mPa) and Friability (%).

## RESULTS

The results are presented in three parts. In the first part the soil mineral nitrogen figures in the spring are given to explain in part the subsequent responses to nitrogen. The second part

looks at the production and quality aspects needed by the grower; grain yield, specific weight, thousand grain weight, grain nitrogen content, lodging, fertile tiller number and grain size are all details which the grower attempts to control, and are all factors that can affect the crop's profitability. The third part looks at the quality aspects such as hot water extract and nitrogen content. Because of the sample selection for micro-malting, the results represent the 'best' samples that would be provide from heavy land sites for the maltsters and brewers.

## Part I - Soil mineral nitrogen

**Table 1: Soil mineral nitrogen (kg N ha<sup>-1</sup>) in top 90 cm**

Spring	Cropping year		
	1990/91	1991/92	1992/93
Site			
Essex	42	17	25
Cambs	68	124	53
Humberside	23	29	54
Midlothian	49	24	49
Shropshire	73	29	26

The crop grown in Cambridgeshire in 1991/92 was preceded by wheat, and the crop prior to the wheat was peas. The 1992/93 crops in Cambridgeshire and Humberside were similarly preceded by wheat preceded by oilseed rape. While many factors contribute to the actual amount of nitrogen available, the 1991/92 Cambridgeshire figures highlight the possible conflict between using break crops to maintain high soil nitrogen levels for wheat, and the impact of this on malting barley quality. This is shown later in the grain nitrogen figures. The traditional malting site had the lowest mean spring SMN level.

## Part II - Grower requirements

The impact of treatments across all sites on production criteria valued by the grower are shown in table 2. The table lists the F-test probability values from the analyses of variance. Values of 0.05 or less indicate there was a significant difference between the treatments in the left hand column for the variate at the head of the column. Values of <0.001 indicate a highly significant difference. Thus, and not surprisingly, there were significant grain yield differences between sites in every year. Indeed all variates differed significantly between sites, highlighting the need for individual management of malting crops.

**Table 2:** F test probability values. All treatments and interactions.

**1991**

	Grain Yield	Specific weight	1000 grain	Grain N %	Sievings (%)				N uptake in grain	% lodging
					> 2.8 mm	2.8-2.5 mm	2.5-2.2 mm	< 2.2 mm		
Site (S)	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	
Variety (V)	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	At
Nitrogen (N)	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	one
PGR	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.021	site
SxV	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	only
SxN	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	
VxN	0.006	0.218	0.555	0.117	0.792	0.897	0.018	0.005	<0.001	
SxPGR	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.272	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	
VxPGR	0.097	0.118	0.092	0.263	0.002	0.003	0.003	<0.001	0.674	
NxPGR	0.099	0.379	0.875	0.727	0.017	0.579	<0.001	<0.001	0.570	
SxVxN	0.043	0.151	0.258	0.402	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.562	
SxVxPGR	0.065	0.437	<0.001	0.002	0.783	<0.001	0.009	<0.001	0.090	
SxNxPGR	0.208	0.475	0.061	0.181	0.108	0.128	0.151	<0.001	0.362	
VxNxPGR	0.392	0.154	0.688	0.380	0.407	0.055	0.013	0.033	0.631	

**1992**

Site (S)	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Variety (V)	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Nitrogen (N)	<0.001	<0.001	0.102	<0.001	0.030	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
PGR	<0.001	<0.001	0.033	0.013	<0.001	0.007	<0.001	<0.001	0.025	<0.001
SxV	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.074	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SxN	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
VxN	<0.001	0.380	0.176	0.152	0.126	<0.001	0.014	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SxPGR	0.011	0.010	0.003	0.118	0.268	0.307	0.128	0.140	0.184	0.172
VxPGR	0.211	0.011	0.168	0.131	0.001	0.524	<0.001	<0.001	0.104	0.007
NxPGR	0.109	0.380	0.089	0.042	0.793	0.850	0.140	0.022	0.032	0.007
SxVxN	0.006	0.004	<0.001	0.421	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.141	0.014
SxVxPGR	0.035	0.841	0.769	0.529	0.348	0.189	0.004	0.205	0.215	0.115
SxNxPGR	0.467	0.877	0.024	0.313	0.067	0.108	0.201	0.113	0.045	0.953
VxNxPGR	0.613	0.795	0.841	0.373	0.012	0.716	0.317	0.092	0.110	0.187

**1993**

Site (S)	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Variety (V)	<0.001	0.044	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Nitrogen (N)	<0.001	<0.001	0.006	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
PGR	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.012	<0.001	0.081	0.692	0.003	<0.001
SxV	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.011	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SxN	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
VxN	0.012	0.308	0.755	<0.001	0.023	<0.001	0.007	0.027	0.285	<0.001
SxPGR	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.054	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001
VxPGR	0.238	0.131	0.424	0.613	0.249	0.100	0.993	0.027	0.756	0.344
NxPGR	0.443	0.083	0.126	0.673	0.061	0.032	0.254	0.436	0.586	0.056
SxVxN	0.066	0.001	0.976	0.078	0.209	<0.001	<0.001	0.240	0.285	<0.001
SxVxPGR	0.832	0.423	0.056	0.916	<0.001	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.863	0.492
SxNxPGR	0.510	0.149	0.144	0.291	0.205	0.450	0.113	0.494	0.149	0.376
VxNxPGR	0.497	0.556	0.247	0.431	0.573	0.185	0.952	0.376	0.225	0.525

All the treatments taken individually (rows 2-4 of the year tables) produced significant

differences in all variates; the few exceptions being the impact of nitrogen on 1000 grain weight in 1992, and the effect of PGR on the two smallest grain fractions in 1993.

The above widespread significant differences are to be expected in view of the well established responses known for the treatments. Of more interest in input management trials like these are the interactions. In these categories the significance indicates that, for example on the SxV row (Site x Variety interaction), the sites produced different grain yields, and the differences between varieties differ between sites. The VxN (Variety x Nitrogen interactions) show that although in grain yield Pipkin and Puffin respond differently to nitrogen, possibly due to lodging, the specific weight and thousand grain weight produce no interaction (i.e. the two varieties respond in a similar fashion), and only in one year out of three (1993) was there an interaction in the way the grain N% responded to nitrogen.

The bulk of the three way interactions were not significant. The only consistent theme was the significant SxVxN interaction in the sieving fractions. Lodging and supply are implicated in this interaction.

The various interactions are discussed separately under each heading

### **Grain yield and effect of site and nitrogen**

All sites yielded satisfactorily and nitrogen treatments that produced suitable nitrogen contents would have produced profitable crops of malting barley. The Cambridge and Midlothian sites were the highest yielding overall giving mean yields of 6.42 and 6.45 t ha<sup>-1</sup> respectively over the 3 years. The light sand site in Essex also yielded consistently well giving a mean yield of 6.11 t ha<sup>-1</sup>. Yields at the other 2 sites were more variable. In 1991, the Shropshire site yielded poorly as did the Humberside site in 1993 and their overall mean yields were 5.30 and 5.53 t ha<sup>-1</sup> respectively. The yields at each nitrogen rate are shown for each site in Appendix 1.

There is a significant site x nitrogen interaction ( $P < 0.001$ ) in all 3 years, largely as a result of the different response from the silty clay of the wheat land site in Cambridgeshire. The crossed

lines in Figs. 1-3 for these sites give an indication of this effect in comparison with the other sites which tended to perform more like the Essex malting site than the Cambridge 'wheat' site. Lodging was a contributory factor at the Cambridgeshire site in all years, and the Humberside side in 1993. This is seen in the way the response lines of these sites cross the other sites. Lodging is discussed later, but the greater lodging in Pipkin particularly at the Cambridgeshire site contributed to the significant  $S \times V \times N$  interactions in 1991 ( $P=0.043$ ) and in 1992 ( $P=0.006$ ).

The traditional malting site in Essex site was characterised by the highest response to nitrogen between Nil and 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> in all years. This rapid increase in yield up to 80 kg was followed by increases similar to the other sites at the higher rates of 120 and 160 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen. The response to applied nitrogen was the lowest from the Cambridge site at all rates of nitrogen, which is in line with its higher than average soil mineral nitrogen status, and the greater amounts of lodging.

### *Varieties*

At the malting site in Essex the two varieties performed similarly in all three years, with Puffin having a slightly higher yield in 1992 and 1993. At the Cambridgeshire site however Pipkin yielded the lowest in all three years, with the difference in yield increasing as the nitrogen rates increased. The difference between Puffin and Pipkin grain yield at 160 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen was 0.73 t ha<sup>-1</sup> in 1991, 1.35 tonnes in 1992 and 0.82 tonnes in 1993. Again lodging of the weaker strawed variety was having an effect.

Overall Puffin consistently outyielded Pipkin in all three years under all PGR regimes. (Appendix I). The differences were most apparent at the 120 and 160 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen rates again partly due to the increased lodging of Pipkin at the higher nitrogen rates. The overall mean yield of Puffin in these trials was 6.10 t ha<sup>-1</sup> compared to 5.82 t ha<sup>-1</sup> for Pipkin; this 4.8% higher yield was less than the 6.7% difference in the 1991 Recommended List (NIAB 1991).

### *PGR*

Overall PGR treatment significantly increased yield ( $P<0.001$ ) in every year. The impact of

PGR treatments on grain yields at the lodging prone crop at the Cambridgeshire site in 1991 can be seen clearly in Fig. 4. Pipkin shows an increase of almost a tonne per hectare, and Puffin 0.5 t ha<sup>-1</sup>. Lodging at other sites was minimal although cycocel was associated with slight yield increases. In 1992 lodging was more widespread and Pipkin showed a variable yield increase at all bar the Humberside site (Fig 5) where the nil treatment produced the highest yield. Puffin showed its most marked increase in yield from the use of cycocel when compared with no PGR, at the Essex site in 1992. In 1993 lodging was most severe at Cambridgeshire and Humberside and these sites show the largest grain yield increases from PGR use (Fig 6). The figures in Appendix V show a progressive decline in lodging in line with these yield increases. This variation in lodging at different sites is shown by the significant SxPGR term in table 2, although this perhaps indicative of lower lodging pressure at some sites, rather than greater PGR efficacy. The absence of significance in the VxPGR and NxPGR interactions show PGRs affected the two varieties in a similar manner. There was no differential effect in the response to nitrogen.

In the severe lodging conditions of 1992 the SxVxPGR interaction was significant largely as result of the different response of the two varieties at the Essex, Cambridgeshire and Midlothian sites (Fig 5).

### **Specific weight**

The responses and interactions seen in specific weights are similar to those produced in grain yield. The data is listed in Appendix II. Dense smooth grains which pack well produce high bulk densities, and grain from high yielding crops tends to have these characteristics. Figures 7 - 9 show how the specific weight varies markedly between regions over the years, and how the response to nitrogen varies between varieties at the same site and at different sites, particularly in 1992 and 1993 when significant SxVxN interactions occurred.

Specific weights were generally satisfactory, but in each year some sites were poorer than others, at all rates of nitrogen. Figures 10 - 12 show that at sites where specific weights of untreated crops are around 65 kg hl<sup>-1</sup> or less, PGR treatments 3 and 4 tend to depress them further. Patterns of response at sites with specific weight of 70 kg hl<sup>-1</sup> or above tend to be more varied. This effect is supported by Figures 13 - 15 where the adverse effects of PGR are

worse at the nil nitrogen rate. The exception being in 1991 when there was a fall of 1.61 kg hl<sup>-1</sup> in the 160 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen treatment receiving Terpal only. This arose primarily from the response at the Shropshire site.

### **Thousand grain weight**

The significance response of the thousand grain weights to treatments followed very closely the response of specific weights. The only differences being the highly significant second order interaction (SxVxPGR) for thousand grain weight in 1991, whereas for specific weight the interaction was not significant. In 1992 nitrogen had no overall significant effect on thousand grain weight although it produced a reduction (significant  $P < 0.05$ ) at the Cambridgeshire site. This is one of the few examples where a main treatment failed to produce a significant difference in the overall trial analysis. The VxPGR interaction was significant for specific weight but not for thousand grain weight, and the SxNxPGR interaction was significant for thousand grain weight but not for specific weight. In 1993 the significance of responses was very similar with no significant second order interaction for thousand grain weight, but the specific weight SxVxN interaction being highly significant (see above).

Irrespective of treatment there is a component of variation between Pipkin and Puffin thousand grain weight that is largely genetically based rather than influenced by management. Pipkin is Sergeant x Maris Otter line, whereas Puffin is cross of (Athos x Maris Otter) x Iгри. Other straight Maris Otter crosses like Halcyon (Warboys x Maris Otter) share this small grain trait.

### **Grain nitrogen**

The grain nitrogen contents were very satisfactory in 1991 with all samples from the 120 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> or less, having grain below 1.75% in DM. Even at 160 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> two sites of Pipkin (Essex and Midlothian) averaged 1.75% or below, and one Puffin site produced grain at 1.75%. The Midlothian and Essex sites had the lowest overall mean nitrogen contents of 1.51%. The Shropshire site, with the lowest yield, had the highest grain nitrogen contents. The large increases in grain yield at the Essex site between the nil and 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen applications produced some evidence of dilution of grain nitrogen content in 1991, with only an increase 0.03% N in DM resulting from the 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> application. (Appendix IV).

In 1992 drier conditions caused a general increase in the grain nitrogen, although the effect of dry conditions was not uniform across all soil types. The soil moisture deficits (SMD) were similar in late May and June at the Essex and Cambridgeshire sites at between 100 and 110 mm, but the former produced the lowest mean grain nitrogen contents, and the latter the highest (1.59% and 2.05% respectively). The spring soil mineral nitrogen levels were the lowest in Essex (17 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) and the highest in Cambridgeshire (124 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>). This unavoidable extra nitrogen at the Cambridgeshire site produced the highest grain nitrogen contents at all rates of applied nitrogen and at all PGR treatments. In 1992 the increase in grain nitrogen was almost linear at the Essex site which started from the lowest level at nil nitrogen (1.31%). At the two highest rates of nitrogen the Humberside site produced the lowest grain nitrogen with 1.79% at 160 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen.

In 1993, the grain nitrogen contents at the Essex, Midlothian and Shropshire sites were much lower than the other two sites (Cambridgeshire and Humberside), where acceptable malting samples were only produced at nil and 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> N. The higher grain nitrogens were associated with significantly lower yields at these two sites.

In 1991 there was little difference in the grain nitrogen between the two extremes of soil type at the Essex and Cambridgeshire sites, and between the two varieties Pipkin and Puffin at both sites. Pipkin had the lowest mean nitrogen content at the Essex site (1.47%) and Puffin had the lowest mean nitrogen content at the Cambridgeshire site (1.53 %) (Figure 16). In 1992 at the Cambridgeshire sites, where the SMN contents were markedly higher than in 1991, the silty clay Cambridgeshire site produced grain of approximately 0.5% higher grain nitrogen than the Essex site, across the entire range of nitrogen rates (Figure 17). This effect was also evident in 1993 although the difference was smaller (0.3%) (Figure 18). Puffin consistently produced higher grain nitrogens overall in all three years and this effect was seen across all the individual nitrogen rates. Overall, the mean grain nitrogen level for Pipkin was 1.59% compared to 1.67% for Puffin, despite the fact that Puffin consistently outyielded Pipkin. The optimum nitrogen for yield and malting quality varied between sites and season but was normally in the range between 80 and 120 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup>. In all years and for both varieties increasing grain yield was positively correlated with grain nitrogen. Table 3 below shows the correlation coefficients between grain yield and grain nitrogen, for both varieties at all sites, and for individual varieties



at all sites.

**Table 3** Correlation coefficients for total grain yield and grain nitrogen %

	1991	1992	1993
Both Varieties	0.6078	0.6324	0.6030
Pipkin	0.6162	0.5827	0.5845
Puffin	0.5969	0.5423	0.6390

Yields increased by nitrogen fertiliser were clearly linked with higher nitrogen. Where nitrogen is applied to increase yield it tends to increase grain nitrogen content. If the yield increment, rather than absolute yield, is correlated with grain nitrogen or increment in grain nitrogen the values in table 4 are obtained.

**Table 4** Correlation coefficients for increment of grain yield and grain nitrogen %

Yield increase: grain N% increase	1991	1992	1993
Both Varieties	0.4767	-0.4428	-0.4232
Pipkin	0.3225	-0.6239	-0.5145
Puffin	0.6426	-0.3686	-0.4004
	1991*	1992*	1993*
Both Varieties	0.1674	0.1913	-0.1199
Pipkin	0.1831	0.1696	-0.2367
Puffin	0.1257	0.1790	-0.0582

\*excluding Cambridgeshire high N site

Most of the negative values for 1992 and 1993 in the top of the table 4 result from very low or a negative yield response at the Cambridge site (where soil nitrogen levels were above average). Removing this site reduces correlation values to non-significant low negative or positive values. Lodging at various sites in 1992 and 1993 would have also contributed to negative correlations. Although 1991 had yields that were positively correlated with grain nitrogen the average N% levels in 1991 were the lowest of the three years. Overall the correlations of yield increment and grain N% increment are low. This data suggests dilution of grain N content by high yields was not a clearly defined phenomenon in these trials.

The overall effect of PGRs on grain nitrogen content is to slightly reduce values. Figures 19 - 21 show the tendency for a fall in grain nitrogen contents, although a wide range of fluctuations occur. As many of the factors which affect grain nitrogen content have their impact during grain fill, the interaction with PGRs is hard to predict.

### **Lodging**

Lodging was very limited at all sites except at the Cambridgeshire. site in 1991, and to a lesser extent in 1992. (Appendix V). There was some lodging at all sites in 1992. The mean percentage crop area lodged was 23%, 20%, 14%, 7% and 6% for Cambridgeshire, Essex, Humberside, Midlothian and Shropshire respectively. In 1993 lodging occurred at the Cambridgeshire. site (mean 24%) and the Humberside site (13.2%). Lodging was consistently most severe on the high nitrogen plots and the weaker strawed Pipkin was worse affected than Puffin. The effects of PGR treatments on lodging were quite variable although the Terpal and Cycocel/Terpal sequences gave the most consistent lodging control.

Figures 22 shows the extent of lodging at the Cambridgeshire site in 1991 where lodging was particularly severe, especially in Pipkin. The application of nitrogen produced an almost linear increase in lodging. Cycocel applied alone reduced lodging only slightly whereas the other PGR treatments gave significant control, but were less cost-effective to apply (Figures 29 -32). Both varieties lodged to a similar extent at 160 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> of nitrogen fertiliser either untreated or with Cycocel. At lower nitrogen rates lodging was less in the Puffin and none existent at the nil nitrogen level. The introduction of Terpal into the PGR treatments produced significant reductions in lodging at all nitrogen rates in both varieties. In sequence with Cycocel, it almost completely prevented lodging in Puffin even at the highest nitrogen rate.

In 1991, without any PGR treatment, 94% of the crop area of Pipkin and 90% of the Puffin area lodged at 160 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen. Lodging in Puffin increased sharply from 35% at 120 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen. The economic benefits accruing from PGR use are reviewed in the discussion section.

In 1992 the pattern of lodging was variable if related to the increasing rates of nitrogen when viewed at all the five sites.(Figure 23) However when all sites are meaned and the impact of

nitrogen is shown for each of the PGR treatments (Figure 25) the effect of nitrogen is very clearly seen. The chlormequat only treatment having a very worthwhile effect on the variety Pipkin, but virtually no effect on the shorter stiffer Puffin. In 1993 the overall impact of nitrogen and PGR on lodging was similar, although the chlormequat treatment produced significant reductions in lodging in Puffin also.

The 1993 results were similar to those in 1991 (Figures 26-28). Large yield responses were associated with the Terpal and Cycocel/Terpal treatments both of which significantly reduced lodging at the Cambridgeshire and Humberside sites. Again chlormequat applied on its own was the least effective at controlling lodging and did not increase yield.

### Fertile tiller production

Table 5. Fertile tiller production : F-test probability values for fertile tiller counts (tillers/m<sup>2</sup>). Comparisons between all N rates, varieties, and the nil and Cycocel only PGR treatments

	Nitrogen	Variety	PGR
1991			
Essex	0.428	<0.001	0.530
Cambs.	<0.001	<0.001	0.964
Humberside	<0.001	<0.001	0.158
Shropshire	<0.001	<0.001	0.561
1992			
Essex	<0.001	0.075	0.700
Cambs.	0.501	0.086	0.127
Humberside	<0.001	<0.001	0.778
Shropshire	0.010	<0.001	0.423
1993			
Essex	<0.001	0.020	0.903
Cambs.	<0.001	0.002	0.396
Humberside	<0.001	<0.001	0.108
Shropshire			

PGR's had no significant effect on fertile tiller numbers in any of the three years.

Nitrogen consistently increased fertile tiller numbers except in 1991 at the Essex site, and in 1992 at the Cambridgeshire site. At the latter site in 1992, when SMN levels were 124 kg ha-

1, there were no significant differences in fertile tiller number resulting from either nitrogen use, variety choice or PGR programme. One consequence of high SMN levels, is that nitrogen is available to the crop from the start of the season leading to a vigorous early season vegetative growth, high tiller populations and well developed, lodging prone crops.

### **Grain size distribution**

The percentages of grain in sieving groups >2.8 mm, 2.8 -2.5 mm, 2.5 - 2.2 mm, and < 2.2 mm are interlinked. Situations that encourage small grains decreased the proportion of large grains, and vice versa. Hence significant differences are to be found in all the size groups in their response at different sites and to the individual treatments, and to many of the two way interactions (Table 2). The one exception was the two smaller grain fractions were unaffected by PGR in 1993.

As expected, Pipkin had a higher percentage of small grains as a result of its genotype. This was consistently seen at all sites. Nitrogen increased the number of large grains, but this effect was most consistent over the increase from nil to 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen.

The effects of PGR's on the crop are very dependent on the growth stage of the crop and the weather at application. Responses, particularly to chlormequat products, tend to be variable. However a repeated effect, although not consistent, is for the treatments with chlormequat PGR (treatments 2 and 4) to produce a lower percentage of large grains. In 1991 the Midlothian site showed this effect in both varieties, while Puffin showed it to a lesser degree at more sites. In 1992 the effect was more widespread.

There is a large range of possible interactions between two varieties with different sized grain, sites with different SMN status and PGRs applied in a range of growing conditions and in different local climates. The scope of such variability is shown by the wide range of significant differences in table 2.

## **Part III**

### **Micromalting tests**

The results of the micromalting tests are shown in Appendix VIII. The traditional malting site

in Essex and the Cambridgeshire and Midlothian sites produced satisfactory samples each year when tested for germinative energy to micromalting evaluation. In 1992 the Humberside and Shropshire sites were not readily maltable, and the Humberside site also proved unsatisfactory in 1993. Further conditioning and treatment of these samples may have produced maltable grains, but they were discarded for the comparative purposes of this trial. In the samples that were malted there were more samples with fermentability of 70% or less in 1992 and 1993, than in 1991.

The hot water extract (HWE) from the two grist sizes 0.2 mm and 0.7 mm, produced slightly lower extract from coarser grist, but overall the C/F differences are very consistent between varieties and years and do not show any marked differences in modification; only the finer grist HWE results are given here. The full data is shown in Appendix VIII. Table 5 shows the correlation coefficients between HWE and both total nitrogen and total soluble nitrogen in the malted grain for both varieties at all sites.

**Table 6:** Correlation coefficients - Hot Water Extract (HWE) and total nitrogen (tn), total soluble nitrogen (tsn), and grain N%

	1991		1992		1993	
	Pipkin	Puffin	Pipkin	Puffin	Pipkin	Puffin
HWE:malt tn	-0.437	-0.887	-0.612	-0.691	-0.560	-0.764
HWE:malt tsn	-0.605	-0.724	-0.406	-0.722	-0.257	-0.365
HWE:grain N	-0.391	-0.787	-0.375	-0.478	-0.314	-0.583
	-0.517	-0.755	-0.586	-0.668	-0.363	-0.428

As the malting samples were pre-selected for low grain nitrogen (see method section) and were drawn largely from the 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> nitrogen treatments, the very high correlations are to be expected. However all values show the negative correlation values expected between grain nitrogen and extract. Additionally, the correlation coefficients between HWE and malt tn were always higher than those between HWE and the original grain. All correlation values for the Puffin samples were slightly higher than the Pipkin values. These stronger negative values support the view that Puffin has a stronger developed protein matrix within the endosperm leading to greater reductions in modification and extract levels as grain N% increases.

Overall the analyses present a fairly typical data set. Again, this is to be expected given their

selection for suitability for malting. The PGR use has no effect on quality. The main effects on HWE are clearly site, and total grain nitrogen; the latter being an expression of various site characteristics. Figures 33 to 38 uses the data in Appendix VIII and shows how HWE declines as nitrogen content increases for both Pipkin and Puffin in each of the three years across all sites. However as the values are made up of sample groups from each trial site the regression equations and correlations represent extract prediction equations for low nitrogen grain grown largely with 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> of applied nitrogen. The position of the site sample groups, although not entirely discrete, show a degree of separation that indicates different 'populations' at each site. As the ANOVA shows significant difference between sites is the most repeatable difference across all variates. It is note worthy that the sandy loam 'traditional' malting site in Essex was a consistently good site. The performance of this site was approached by the Midlothian site in 1991 when the crop was grown on a loam soil, and in 1993 by the Shropshire site when a sandy loam was available.

Figures 39 to 44 show how in each of the three years HWE declined with increasing nitrogen at the Essex, Cambridgeshire and Midlothian sites. Although the three annual data groups could be viewed as different populations, with different sowing dates, soils nitrogen and management, the correlation of the data from the sandy loam malting site in Essex showed higher correlation between grain nitrogen and HWE over the three seasons. The Essex data also showed a much steeper decline in HWE with increasing grain nitrogen; although the equations for the Essex site had higher intercept values, and much lower standard errors for the regression (table 7) . At the highest nitrogen levels the HWE from the Essex samples was 3-4 l°/kg higher than the other two sites. The total nitrogen levels in the Essex malt were between 0.07% and 0.35% lower than the other sites.

The main feature of the Cambridgeshire and the Midlothian sites that differed from the traditional malting site in Essex, was the clear split in the annual groupings. At the Cambridgeshire site the 1991 grouping, which produced usable malting grain was separate from the mixed 1992 and 1993 groupings. The Midlothian site produced grain where the HWE groupings clustered separately for each of the three years, with the 1991 crop grown on a loam soil having the lowest grain nitrogen levels and the higher HWE values. The variation in clustering again shows the variability between non-malting sites.

**Table 7** Grain nitrogen/HWE regression - Standard errors

	Pipkin	Puffin
Essex	0.0860	0.0830
Cambs	0.1229	0.1280
Midlothian	0.1323	0.1307

The other data from the micromalting assessments in Appendix VIII show free ammonia nitrogen levels to be lowish, but this can be expected in micromalt evaluations, while pH levels are slightly high. The majority of soluble nitrogen ratios fall between the 36 - 42 range which would be acceptable for the lager to UK A malt markets.

## DISCUSSION

The study has produced a wide array of data with many significant differences. This variation represents the problem facing the grower who wants to produce malting barley for the first time. What decisions should be taken, and which ones are the most critical in determining the acceptability of the grain to the maltster? This series of trials has aimed to help clarify the questions; Which site? Is a heavier soil suitable? If a heavy soil site can be used does it affect variety choice? Having selected the most suitable variety what scope is there in the management of nitrogen and growth regulators for assuring the quality criteria are met?

### Site

Table 8 shows that grain nitrogen and the nitrogen in the malt have the largest percentage differences between the traditional malting site and the 'non-malting'. For both varieties nitrogen contents from the 'non-malting' sites were >10% higher than from the traditional malting site. Nitrogen is easily measured and is probably the main standard determining acceptability, once cleanliness, specific weight and physical soundness have been shown to be satisfactory.

The main quality parameter determined by processing is hot water extract. In contrast to the nitrogen the percentage differences are small between site type in both Pipkin and Puffin, (1.27% and 1.03% higher on the malting sites respectively). The higher the value the better the quality. Even smaller differences exist between the fermentability of grain from malting and other sites. Values of -0.02% and 0.51% for Pipkin and Puffin respectively, indicates fermentability was not markedly affected by site.

Differences between malting and non-malting sites in characteristics like viscosity and free ammonia nitrogen are lower than those for the nitrogen content, but greater than those for HWE and fermentability. The non-malting sites have the higher values. If the difference between components are low percentage values their impact on the malting value is lessened, but collectively if all values tend to show fractionally lower values the net effect is malting barley of slightly lower overall value. This appears to be the situation with malting barley from the 'non-malting' sites. However as individual data in the results section shows the problem is



as more one of variability rather than consistently poor quality; low nitrogen samples from Midlothian in 1991 and Shropshire in 1993 produced HWEs equal to those from the malting site.

**Table 8** : Micromalt analyses: Traditional malting site and mean of four 'non-malting' sites for Pipkin and Puffin

Pipkin

	1991		1992		1993		3 yr mean		Malting as % Non- malt
	Malting	Non-malt	Malting	Non-malt	Malting	Non-malt	Malting	Non-malt	
Grain N% (DM)	1.37	1.46	1.43	1.72	1.33	1.49	1.38	1.56	-11.56
N% (malt)	1.28	1.43	1.3	1.64	1.35	1.45	1.31	1.51	-13.05
HWE (lo/kg)	313.3	309.6	313.6	309.5	312	308	312.97	309.03	1.27
SNR%	39	37.25	39.2	35.4	40.4	37.27	39.53	36.64	7.90
FAN(mg/l)	117	122.5	112.6	121.9	110	100	113.20	114.80	-1.39
Ferm (%)	79	78.67	78	77.3	75.4	76.47	77.47	77.48	-0.02
Visc (mPa)	1.53	1.57	1.52	1.65	1.53	1.61	1.53	1.61	-5.18
Friab (%)	91.67	86.5	94.4	81.3	66	81.67	84.02	83.16	1.04

Puffin

	1991		1992		1993		3 yr mean		Malting as % Non- malt
	Malting	Non-malt	Malting	Non-malt	Malting	Non-malt	Malting	Non-malt	
Grain N% (DM)	1.46	1.54	1.55	1.81	1.45	1.63	1.49	1.66	-10.44
N% (malt)	1.47	1.55	1.42	1.76	1.41	1.58	1.43	1.63	-12.07
HWE (lo/kg)	312.7	309.3	315	310.8	312.2	310.2	313.30	310.10	1.03
SNR%	38.67	38.5	41	37.6	42	39.87	40.56	38.66	4.92
FAN(mg/l)	120.67	129.5	131	129.1	104	110	118.56	122.87	-3.51
Ferm (%)	78	77.25	77.8	76.38	74	75	76.60	71.12	0.51
Visc (mPa)	1.54	1.59	1.56	1.67	1.54	1.62	1.55	1.63	-4.92
Friab (%)	86.33	82.67	90.6	74.65	81.4	79	86.11	76.27	9.31

The mean differences in the main quality parameters are low. Heavier textured soils can produce good quality malting grain. If soil mineral nitrogen supply to the crop is low, in dry seasons the higher AWC of heavier soils can be of benefit in producing low nitrogen grain (Garstang *et al* 1993). In contrast, as these trials show, heavier non-malting soils are more lodging prone unless adequate precautions are taken to control it. The risks and costs associated with the PGR programme are discussed below.

### Variety choice

When this experiment was planned Pipkin was perceived as being a better malting variety than Puffin. Being longer established in the market may have helped in this. Also, as a variety with

very weak straw it was protected from over generous applications of nitrogen through the growers fears of lodging. Puffin in contrast was a stiff strawed malting variety, and had perhaps produced some samples offered for malting after generous nitrogen use. Since then the industry has seen the introduction of many strong strawed malting varieties with high HWEs (e.g. Fanfare, Regina, Gleam: NIAB 1998) and the reputation of malting barleys now no longer relies on weak straw to keep nitrogen use to acceptable levels.

**Table 9: Micromalt analyses: Comparison of site differences and variety differences**

	Difference between malting and other sites (Malting as % of other) within variety		Difference between varieties (Puffin as % of Pipkin) within sites	
	Pipkin Malting v Non-malt	Puffin Malting v Non-malt	Malting Puffin v Pipkin	Non-malt Puffin v Pipkin
Grain N% (DM)	-11.56	-10.44	7.99	6.64
N% (malt)	-13.05	-12.07	9.41	8.19
HWE (lo/kg)	1.27	1.03	0.11	0.35
SNR%	7.90	4.92	2.59	5.50
FAN(mg/l)	-1.39	-3.51	4.73	7.03
Ferm (%)	-0.02	0.51	-1.12	-1.64
Visc (mPa)	-5.18	-4.92	1.31	1.04
Friab (%)	1.04	9.31	2.48	-5.27

In table 9 the differences between malting and non-malting sites in columns 2 and 3 of the table, can be compared with the differences between varieties at the same sites in columns 4 and 5. Generally the differences between malting and non-malting site are larger than those between varieties. Nitrogen content, HWE, SNR and viscosity showed smaller differences between varieties than between sites. The nitrogen supplied by each site has been shown to vary considerably in these trials, being made up of the sum of applied nitrogen, mineralised nitrogen available at the start of the growing season, and additional nitrogen mineralised during the growing period. Given this variability it is not surprising that site effects are larger than variety effects for both nitrogen content and SNR. Similarly, with the strength of the relationships of grain nitrogen on HWE, (Bathgate 1987), it is again to be expected that site effects on HWE are larger than varietal differences.

From the above the selection of the site is more important in achieving premiums than, within obvious limits, the variety. The selection of a feed variety may have altered this assertion, but

no one would choose such a variety if malting barley production was their intention

High SMN resulted in high grain and malt total nitrogen such as at the Cambridgeshire site in 1992 (Puffin mean total N% 1.86). This trend was also linked with elevated free ammonia nitrogen levels. In contrast, where total nitrogen percentages were low, friability percentages tended to be increased, (correlation coefficient of -0.624). Friability percentages >90 were obtained in samples of Pipkin from Essex and Midlothian in 1991, Pipkin and Puffin from Essex and 1992, and Pipkin from Shropshire in 1993. Applying the converse of these findings, choice of variety becomes more important where higher nitrogen levels contribute to reduced friability or elevated FAN, but where grain nitrogen levels are low, and HWE levels are satisfactory both varieties in this trial produced similar samples.

### **Nitrogen**

The responses to nitrogen shown in figures 1-3 are typical of many malting crops. The interactions of site x nitrogen and variety x nitrogen are clearly shown in the crossed response lines of the crops from the Cambridgeshire site. This arises largely as a result of the consistently higher nil N yield at the Cambridgeshire site for both varieties in all years. The impact of this site in reducing the malting reliability of varieties has been outlined above through its impact on total nitrogen contents and HWE. The reduced response shown in figures 1-3 also arises from the high N<sub>0</sub> yields and lost yield due to lodging. Figures 22 - 28 show how severely lodging affected crops grown on the silty clay loam at the Cambridgeshire site. The figures in table 2 show an average spring SMN of 82 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>, to which must be added nitrogen mineralised during the period of March to the end of May, and the nitrogen applied as fertiliser. With total soil nitrogen reserves in silty clay loams and heavy clays ranging from 9.9 t ha<sup>-1</sup> to 15.8 t ha<sup>-1</sup>, compared with 6.9 t ha<sup>-1</sup> on sandy loams (Macdonald *et al* 1997), the scope for additional soil nitrogen supply is considerable. But in the equation  $\log(N_o - N_t) = \log N_o - k/2.303(t)$  derived by Stanford and Smith (1972) time  $t$ , and  $k$  the mineralisation constant are the main determinants of N mineralisation, rather than  $N_o$  the potentially mineralisable N. Stanford, Frere and Schwaninger (1973) used the soil samples of Stanford and Smith to show that  $k$ , approximately doubled for each 10°C rise between 5 and 35°C, but did not differ significantly between soils. On this basis the total nitrogen supply available to these crops up to and including the grain fill period would be the variable SMNs shown in table 2,

the applied fertiliser, plus any nitrogen mineralised between the SMN sampling date and the cessation of uptake by the crop in June; only variation in local edaphic and climatic conditions would cause significant variation in the latter nitrogen source. However, temperature differences between the sites are insufficient to account for variation in grain nitrogen arising from this latter source. Indeed, Essex the most southerly and warmest site could have been expected to have high mineralisation rates. Under these circumstances it appears that managing rotations to reduce soil mineral nitrogen levels is the most important aspect of keeping grain nitrogen levels low.

Other aspects of crop management will have knock-on effects that reduce quality. If drought or inadequate disease control reduce the response to nitrogen, applied fertiliser may end up increasing grain N% in the reduced bulk of grain produced. Low yields at high nitrogen rates at the Cambridgeshire and Humberside sites in 1993 were associated with significantly higher N% than at other sites.

### **PGRs**

The financial benefits from using PGRs varied between varieties. The three year average margin over cost for the three treatments are shown in Figures 29 -32. If grain fails to make malting premiums and sells for £70 t<sup>-1</sup>, only Pipkin grown on the Cambridgeshire boulder clay site produced a positive margin from all PGR treatments. The stiffer Puffin only showed a positive margin at four of the five sites with the cheap chlormequat treatment.

The use of PGRs should arguably be viewed as an insurance premium to reduce the risk of reduced saleability. In which case the negative values shown for PGR use on Puffin in Figure 31 represent 'insurance' premia of between approximately £10 and £25 per hectare. If they prevent lodging and the nitrogen levels meet market requirements, the majority of sites produce increases in margin. It is noteworthy that even at the Essex and Shropshire sites where losses were still shown from PGR use with grain at £85 t<sup>-1</sup>, the most expensive *and most effective* treatment produced an increase in margin. When grain prices are low profitable PGR use on stiff strawed varieties should be based on a cheap option like chlormequat; for weak strawed varieties on high yield potential 'strong' soils (eg Cambridgeshire) all PGR treatments are profitable. Where lodging risk is less likely chlormequat again becomes the best option.

If it is assumed a malting premium can be secured by PGR use and grain prices increases, the most consistent PGR treatment for increasing margins in both weak and stronger strawed varieties is sequence of chlormequat and Terpal. When prices obtained are high, and probably representative of malting premia weak strawed varieties tend to show a progressive increase in return as the efficacy (and cost) of the PGR programme increases. On stronger strawed varieties this trend differs in that the intermediate program of a single late season treatment (treatment No 3) is less cost effective than a single early season chlormequat treatment. The 'strong' Cambridgeshire boulder clay site was an exception and on such soils the response to PGR efficacy was akin to that obtained with weaker strawed varieties.

### **Risk and profit**

The market pays premiums for low risk, reliable varieties. The results in Figure 45 show that traditional malting sites are more consistent at producing malting quality grain year on year, as judged by HWE. However, the 'non-malting' sites can produce equally good samples which should attract a malting premium, but less reliably on an annual basis. In such a situation the selection of a variety which reduces risk and increase the chance of attracting a premium is a sensible initial step. At the time the trial started, this would have entailed selecting Pipkin over Puffin if the market acceptability was taken as a guide, but Figure 45 shows Puffin be equally acceptable in 1992 and 1993 if HWE is the main selection criteria. With the pre-selected samples sent for micromalting, in these trials Pipkin had a 94% chance of successfully meeting these standards when later assessed on the micromalt analysis, while Puffin with higher nitrogen levels, ranked an 80% chance of acceptability. All failures arose as a result of high grain nitrogen in samples from the Cambridgeshire site. So after the risk has been minimised by selection of the best variety, risk can be further reduced by knowledge of the site's soil nitrogen status.

In addition to the selection of the correct variety, the use of a PGR programme suitable for the likely lodging risk is a wise insurance against loss for the grower.

However, from a buyers point of view the main concern must be to avoid the risk of poorer quality when buying grain from non-malting sites. If there is a market requirement for such

material it should attract an appropriate premium, and provide this is acceptable to both grower and buyer, producing such grain from heavy non-malting sites will be worth while. Figures 46 - 48 show the margins from various premium regimes above feed barley prices of £70, £80 and £90 per tonne. The regimes are Pipkin or Puffin sold at :

1. All grain at all nitrogen rates from non-malting sites sold as feed - possibly the normal situation. (Other as feed)\*
2. Grain from non-malting sites sold at a malting premium of 15% over feed. (Other as malt)\*
3. The pricing regime for non-malting sites as the previous example, but with the premium at 20% over feed. (Other as malt 20%)\*
4. The malting barley site selling at 20% over feed.

\* *Captions - figures 46 -48. Regimes 1-3 mean of all non-malting sites.*

The figures are based on the experiments production raised by 10% to anticipate the use of modern higher yielding varieties. The margin for all these sites is an approximation of a net margin derived from:

$$[\text{Yield (t/ha)} * \text{£/t (include premium)}] - [\text{N input(kg/ha)} * 30\text{p/kg}] - \text{£650 per hectare}$$

The £650 per hectare is a total cost of combined variable and fixed costs for mainly cereal farms (Nix 1999), excluding nitrogen. Under these regimes the range of margins is from -£218 ha<sup>-1</sup> for feed Pipkin grown with 80 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> N selling £70 per tonne, to £155 ha<sup>-1</sup> from Puffin malting barley grown using 120 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> from the malting site selling at a premium of 20%. While there are many other pricing regimes that could be applied, such an example serves to show a) that under the present low grain prices contribution to any profit is hard to achieve, b) even with grain at £90 premiums are essential for profit, c) feed barley needs yields above those obtained from malting levels of nitrogen to make a profit.

Arguably combining the yields of all the non-malting sites has reduced the overall yields levels of the 'Other' columns in the histograms, but such a reduction does allow the effects of losses from lodging and other heavier soil effects to be shown. However, even if the Essex malting site is used as an example of what may be achieved the three points in the paragraph above still apply.

## Site and Husbandry details (1990/91)

	Essex	Cambs.	Humber-side	Midlothian	Shropshire
<b>Soil type</b>	Sandy loam	Silty clay loam	Sandy clay loam	Loam	Sandy silt loam
<b>pH</b>	7.7	8.35	6.9	6.7	6.6
<b>P:K indices</b>	5:2	4:3	3:2	24:98 [mg/kg]	2:2
<b>Previous cropping</b>					
<b>1990</b>	Winter Barley	Winter Wheat	Winter Wheat	Winter Wheat	Winter Barley
<b>1989</b>	Winter Wheat	Winter Wheat	Sugar Beet	Winter wheat	Winter Barley
<b>1988</b>	Spring Barley	Oilseed Rape	Winter Wheat	Potatoes	Winter Barley
<b>Cultivations</b>	Plough & press Spring tine Drill	Burn 2 cultivations Roterra Drill	Plough Power harrowx2 Drill	Plough Cultivate Drill	Plough Power harrow Drill
<b>Sowing date</b>	5 Oct 1990	9 Oct 1990	26 Sept 1990	13 Sept 1990	10 Sept 1990
<b>Harvest date</b>	3 August 1991	29 July 1991	1 August 1991	5 August 1991	8 August 1991
<b>Basal Fertiliser (&amp; Trace elements)</b>	20 Nov 1990 250 kgha-1 0:24:24 +125 kgha-1 Muriate of K	15 March 1991 90 kgha-1 46% superphosphate	5 Dec 1990 0:62:94 kgha-1	23 Oct 1990 0:80:80 kgha-1 25 March 1991 10 lha-1 Cutonic Manganese	15 Nov 1990 0:75:75 kgha-1
<b>Fungicide</b>	29 March 1991 0.9 lha-1 Sportak 45	23 April 1991 0.45lha-1 PunchC + 0.65lha-1 Corbel 20 May 1991 0.5lha-1 Punch C	30 March 1991 0.5lha-1 Tilt Turbo	5 Nov 1990 0.5lha-1 Tilt 25 March 1991 0.5 lha-1 Mistral 22 April 1991 1.5 lha-1 Sportak Alpha+ 0.7 lha-1 Bavisitin 23 May 1991 1.0 lha-1 Tilt Turbo	14 April 1991 0.3lha-1 Corbel + 0.17kgha-1 Stempor 6 June 1991 0.3 lha-1 Corbel
<b>Herbicide</b>	2 Nov 1990 1.5 lha-1 Javelin +3.5 lha-1 Hytane	29 Nov 1990 5 lha-1 Javelin Gold	23 Oct 1990 5lha-1 Isotop IPU 30 March 1991 1.0 lha-1 Briotril Plus	23 Oct 1990 2.0 lha-1 Panther	22 Oct 1990 1.0lha-1 Panther 9 April 1991 15gha-1 Ally
<b>Insecticide</b>	2 Nov 1990 (as TM) 250 mlha-1 Cypermethrin	29 Nov 1990 (as TM) 200 mlha-1 Cypermethrin	23 Oct 1990 (as TM) 0.25lha-1 Decis	N/A	22 Oct 1990 (as TM) 0.1lha-1 Decis

## Site and Husbandry details (1991/92)

	Essex	Cambs.	Humberside	Midlothian	Shropshire
<b>Soil type</b>	Sandy loam	Silty clay loam	Sandy clay loam	Clay loam	Sandy silt loam
<b>pH</b>	7.1	8.35	6.9	5.7	6.6
<b>P:K indices</b>	5:1	4:3	3:2	5:3	2:2
<b>Previous cropping</b>					
1991	Kale (Seed)	Winter Wheat	Winter Wheat	Winter Barley	Winter Barley
1990	Winter Barley	Peas	Sugar Beet	Winter Wheat	Winter Barley
1989	Winter Wheat	Winter Wheat	Winter Wheat	Winter Wheat	Winter Barley
<b>Cultivations</b>	Plough & press Spring tine Drill	Plough, Disc Roterra Drill	Plough Power harrow Drill		Plough & press Power harrow Drill
<b>Sowing date</b>	23 Sept 1991	8 Oct 1991	27 Sept 1991	27 Sept 1991	10 Sept 1991
<b>Harvest date</b>	28 July 1992	29 July 1992	18 July 1992	14 August 1992	28 July 1992
<b>Basal Fertiliser</b>	N as trail - only	N as trail - only	3 Dec 1991 0:73.5:113 kg/ha-1	23 Oct 1991 0:70:70 kg/ha-1	14 Oct 1991 0:59:59 kg/ha-1
<b>Fungicide</b>	23 March 1992 0.9 l/ha-1 Sportak 45 + 0.5l/ha-1 Corbel 19 May 1992 1.0 l/ha-1 Tilt-Turbo	13 May 1992 1.0l/ha-1 Dorin + 1.4l/ha-1 Impact Excel 12 June 1992 3.25 l/ha-1 MultiW +0.4l/ha-1 Calixin	5 April 1992 0.6l/ha-1 PunchC	5 March 1992 1.0l/ha-1 Tilt-Turbo 8 April 1992 0.5l/ha-1 Corbel + 0.25kg/ha-1 Bavistin 4 May 1992 0.75l/ha-1 Sportak Alpha + 0.5 l/ha-1 Corbel 20 May 1992 1.0l/ha-1 Tilt-Turbo	9 April 1992 0.5l/ha-1 Corbel + 0.25kg/ha-1 Stempor 21 May 1992 0.35 l/ha-1 Corbel +0.49 kg/ha-1 Stempor
<b>Herbicide</b>	11Nov 1991 1.5 l/ha-1 Javelin +3.5 l/ha-1 Hytane 10 Feb 1992 0.6l/ha-1 Duplosan	27 Nov 1991 2 l/ha-1 Panther 21 March 3.0l/ha-1 Cheetah	14 Nov 1991 5l/ha-1 Isotop IPU 5 April 1992 1.5 l/ha-1 Briotril Plus + 1.5l/ha-1 Optica	28 Oct 1991 2.0l/ha-1 Panther	21 Oct 1991 1.0l/ha-1 Panther 9 April 1992 0.74l/ha-1 MCPA 16 July 1992 1.6 l/ha-1 Roundup Nil
<b>Insecticide (&amp; molluscicide)</b>	11Nov 1991 (as TM) 250 ml/ha-1 Cypermethrin	27 Nov 1991 (as TM) 200 ml/ha-1 Cypermethrin	14 Nov 1991 (as TM) 0.25l/ha-1 Toppel	17 Oct 1991 5kg/ha-1 Draza 3k/ha-1 Draza on 23 Oct, 18 Nov, & 29 Nov 1991	



## Site and Husbandry details (1992/93)

	Essex	Cambs.	Site Humberside	Midlothian	Shropshire
<b>Soil type</b>	Sandy loam	Sandy clay loam	Sandy clay loam	Clay loam	Sandy loam
<b>pH</b>	7.6	8.1	7.8	5.7	7.4
<b>P:K indices</b>	4:2	4:2	2:1	2:2	3:2
<b>Previous cropping</b>					
1992	Winter Barley	Winter Barley	Winter Wheat	Winter Barley	Winter Barley
1991	Kale (Seed)	Oilseed Rape	Oilseed Rape	Winter Wheat	Winter Barley
1990	Winter Barley	Winter Barley	Winter Wheat	Winter Wheat	Winter Barley
<b>Cultivations</b>	Plough & roll Spring tine Drill	Plough, Power harrow Drill	Plough Power harrow Drill	Plough Power harrowx2 Drill	Plough & press Power harrow Drill
<b>Sowing date</b>	7 Oct 1992	7 Oct 1992	9 Oct 1992	9 Oct 1992	24 Sept 1992
<b>Harvest date</b>	23 July 1993	2 August 1993	8 August 1993	27 August 1993	3 August 1993
<b>Basal Fertiliser</b>	N as trail - only	N as trail - only	N as trail - only	15 Oct 1992	12 Oct 1992
<b>Fungicide</b>	15 March 1993 0.8 lha-1 PunchC+ 0.5lha-1 Corbel 15 May 1993 1.0 lha-1 Tilt-Turbo	13 March 1993 1.0lha-1 Glint 23 May 1993 4 lha-1 Cosmic	2 April 1993 0.6lha-1 PunchC + 0.3lha-1 Fusion 3 June 1993 1.0lha-1 Fenpropmph. + tridemorph	0:60:60 kg/ha-1 26 March 1993 1.0lha-1 Corbel +0.625 lha-1 PunchC 28 April 1993 1.5lha-1 Sportak Alpha + Mistral 24 May 1993 1.0lha-1 Tilt-Turbo	0:67:88 kg/ha-1 10 April 1993 BAS46402F 0.49lha-1 + 0.5lha-1 Benlate 19 May 1993 0.5 lha-1 Delsene50 + BAS46402F 0.333lha-1 + 0.17lha-1 Tilt
<b>Herbicide</b>	15Nov 1992 5 lha-1 Javelin Gold	6 March 1993 2lha-1 Panther 22 April 1993 1.0lha-1 Starane			4 Nov 1992 0.5lha-1 Panther + 1.5lha-1 IPU 13 April 1992 1.0lha-1 Asset + 15gha-1 Ally
<b>Insecticide (&amp; molluscicide)</b>	15Nov 1992 (as TM) 250 mlha-1 Cypermethrin	14 Oct 1992 5.5 kg/ha-1 Draza	2 Feb 1993 250 mlha-1 Ambush 3 June 210mlha-1 D-s-m	9 Oct 1992 3kg/ha-1 Draza with seed 10 Oct 1992 3 kg/ha-1 Draza	4 Nov 1992 (as TM) 0.26lha-1 Cyperkill

Grain Yield (t/ha - 85% DM) - 1991

Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
Essex	3.89	6.43	7.06	7.41	6.20	3.90	6.28	7.06	7.48	6.18	6.19
Cambs	5.52	6.44	6.59	6.74	6.32	5.53	6.86	7.42	7.47	6.82	6.57
Humberside	3.69	5.97	6.55	7.00	5.80	4.19	6.21	6.99	7.46	6.21	6.01
Midlothian	4.43	6.59	7.26	7.78	6.52	4.34	6.59	7.40	7.90	6.56	6.54
Shropshire	2.96	4.86	5.73	6.33	4.97	2.81	4.91	5.67	6.39	4.95	4.96
Mean	4.10	6.06	6.64	7.05	5.96	4.15	6.17	6.91	7.34	6.14	6.05

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Essex	6.09	6.13	6.31	6.26	6.20	6.09	6.19	6.10	6.35	6.18
Cambs	5.82	6.04	6.70	6.73	6.32	6.57	6.72	6.90	7.08	6.82
Humberside	5.72	5.79	5.77	5.94	5.81	5.99	6.44	6.15	6.26	6.21
Midlothian	6.20	6.62	6.49	6.72	6.51	6.44	6.66	6.52	6.61	6.56
Shropshire	5.00	5.05	4.82	4.99	4.97	4.93	4.96	4.91	4.98	4.95
Mean	5.77	5.93	6.02	6.13	5.96	6.00	6.19	6.12	6.26	6.14

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	4.05	4.12	4.10	4.12	4.10	4.03	4.33	4.03	4.22	4.15
80	5.74	6.05	6.18	6.27	6.06	6.09	6.17	6.13	6.30	6.17
120	6.46	6.49	6.75	6.84	6.64	6.68	6.92	6.95	7.08	6.91
160	6.85	7.04	7.04	7.29	7.06	7.23	7.35	7.35	7.43	7.34
Mean	5.78	5.93	6.02	6.13	5.96	6.01	6.19	6.12	6.26	6.14

SED's

Site	0.102	SxV	0.111	SxVxN	0.155
Variety	0.028	SxN	0.128	SxVxPGR	0.155
Nitrogen	0.04	VxN	0.056	SxNxPGR	0.199
PGR	0.04	SxPGR	0.128	VxNxPGR	0.112
		VxPGR	0.056		
		NxPGR	0.079		

**Grain Yield (t/ha - 85% DM)-1992**

*Malting site and heavy sites*

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	3.72	6.69	6.76	6.90	6.02	3.86	6.85	7.16	7.23	6.28	6.15
<i>Cambs</i>	6.34	6.57	6.33	6.07	6.33	6.30	7.29	7.40	7.42	7.10	6.71
<i>Humberside</i>	4.22	5.80	6.07	6.23	5.58	4.33	5.81	6.29	6.47	5.73	5.65
<i>Midlothian</i>	5.55	7.31	7.56	7.57	7.00	5.91	7.78	8.14	8.60	7.61	7.30
<i>Shropshire</i>	4.17	5.40	5.82	6.25	5.41	4.74	5.98	6.37	7.01	6.03	5.72
Mean	4.80	6.35	6.51	6.60	6.07	5.03	6.74	7.07	7.35	6.55	6.31

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	5.98	6.07	5.89	6.13	6.02	5.99	6.54	6.12	6.45	6.28
<i>Cambs</i>	5.84	6.57	6.28	6.62	6.33	7.02	7.14	7.10	7.14	7.10
<i>Humberside</i>	5.69	5.55	5.62	5.46	5.58	5.69	5.87	5.61	5.73	5.73
<i>Midlothian</i>	6.73	6.95	7.14	7.18	7.00	7.61	7.63	7.68	7.52	7.61
<i>Shropshire</i>	5.24	5.30	5.49	5.61	5.41	5.99	5.99	5.95	6.18	6.03
Mean	5.90	6.09	6.08	6.20	6.07	6.46	6.63	6.49	6.60	6.55

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	4.75	4.74	4.92	4.79	4.80	4.88	5.04	5.14	5.04	5.03
80	6.10	6.35	6.35	6.61	6.35	6.63	6.79	6.71	6.84	6.74
120	6.31	6.59	6.47	6.67	6.51	7.17	7.11	6.92	7.09	7.07
160	6.42	6.68	6.59	6.73	6.61	7.17	7.59	7.19	7.44	7.35
Mean	5.90	6.09	6.08	6.20	6.07	6.46	6.63	6.49	6.60	6.55

SED's

Site	0.215	SxV	0.223	SxVxN	0.261
Variety	0.035	SxN	0.236	SxVxPGR	0.261
Nitrogen	0.05	VxN	0.071	SxNxPGR	0.305
PGR	0.05	SxPGR	0.236	VxNxPGR	0.141
		VxPGR	0.071		
		NxPGR	0.1		

## Grain Yield (t/ha - 85% DM)-1993

Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
Essex	3.82	6.08	6.67	7.00	5.89	3.77	6.17	7.02	7.33	6.07	5.98
Cambs	5.18	5.83	5.92	5.70	5.66	5.55	6.57	6.55	6.52	6.30	5.98
Humberside	4.43	5.62	5.77	5.83	5.41	4.39	5.72	6.09	6.13	5.58	5.5
Midlothian	3.24	5.68	6.06	6.56	5.39	3.12	5.19	5.56	6.37	5.06	5.22
Shropshire	2.63	4.87	5.62	6.22	4.84	2.82	5.00	5.77	6.48	5.02	4.93
Mean	3.86	5.62	6.01	6.26	5.44	3.93	5.73	6.20	6.57	5.61	5.52

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Essex	5.76	5.80	5.96	6.04	5.89	6.10	6.10	5.99	6.11	6.08
Cambs	5.35	5.42	5.85	6.02	5.66	6.05	6.03	6.53	6.58	6.30
Humberside	5.12	5.30	5.56	5.68	5.42	5.37	5.47	5.69	5.81	5.59
Midlothian	5.28	5.45	5.46	5.35	5.39	4.92	5.16	5.01	5.15	5.06
Shropshire	4.68	4.92	4.80	4.95	4.84	5.02	5.03	4.96	5.07	5.02
Mean	5.24	5.38	5.53	5.61	5.44	5.49	5.56	5.64	5.74	5.61

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	3.73	3.78	3.90	4.02	3.86	3.90	3.89	3.94	3.99	3.93
80	5.37	5.64	5.69	5.76	5.62	5.68	5.58	5.72	5.95	5.73
120	5.86	5.89	6.11	6.18	6.01	6.07	6.19	6.25	6.28	6.20
160	6.00	6.19	6.40	6.47	6.27	6.32	6.58	6.63	6.76	6.57
Mean	5.24	5.38	5.53	5.61	5.44	5.49	5.56	5.64	5.75	5.61

SED's

Site	0.183	SxV	0.187	SxVxN	0.214
Variety	0.027	SxN	0.197	SxVxPGR	0.214
Nitrogen	0.038	VxN	0.053	SxNxPGR	0.245
PGR	0.038	SxPGR	0.197	VxNxPGR	0.107
		VxPGR	0.053		
		NxPGR	0.075		

Specific Weight (kg/hl) - 1991

Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
Essex	69.93	71.72	71.98	72.02	71.41	69.70	70.80	71.55	72.04	71.02	71.22
Cambs	71.27	71.62	71.72	70.54	71.29	72.07	73.07	72.79	72.61	72.64	71.96
Humberside	71.02	72.22	72.18	71.88	71.83	70.12	70.95	70.87	69.97	70.48	71.15
Midlothian	69.73	71.55	72.45	72.55	71.57	68.75	69.95	71.53	71.36	70.40	70.98
Shropshire	60.77	63.29	64.59	64.46	63.28	57.97	60.88	62.83	63.47	61.29	62.28
Mean	68.54	70.08	70.58	70.29	69.87	67.72	69.13	69.91	69.89	69.16	69.52

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Essex	71.31	71.79	71.27	71.29	71.42	71.16	70.86	71.34	70.73	71.02
Cambs	71.29	71.37	70.30	72.18	71.29	72.33	72.55	72.58	73.07	72.63
Humberside	72.39	71.97	71.67	71.28	71.83	70.77	70.69	70.40	70.05	70.48
Midlothian	72.19	71.27	71.83	70.98	71.57	70.53	70.62	70.39	70.04	70.40
Shropshire	64.14	63.96	62.51	62.50	63.28	61.51	61.85	61.13	60.67	61.29
Mean	70.26	70.07	69.52	69.65	69.87	69.26	69.31	69.17	68.91	69.16

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	69.08	69.03	68.31	67.75	68.54	67.85	67.93	67.82	67.28	67.72
80	70.17	70.18	70.13	69.83	70.08	69.39	69.28	68.86	68.99	69.13
120	70.81	70.70	70.27	70.56	70.59	69.81	70.15	69.85	69.86	69.92
160	70.97	70.37	69.36	70.47	70.29	69.99	69.90	70.15	69.51	69.89
Mean	70.26	70.07	69.52	69.65	69.87	69.26	69.32	69.17	68.91	69.16

SED's

Site	0.379	SxV	0.409	SxVxN	0.555
Variety	0.097	SxN	0.463	SxVxPGR	0.555
Nitrogen	0.137	VxN	0.193	SxNxPGR	0.703
PGR	0.137	SxPGR	0.463	VxNxPGR	0.387
		VxPGR	0.193		
		NxPGR	0.274		

## Specific Weight (kg/hl) 1992

Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	69.58	70.78	70.82	70.88	70.52	68.33	70.27	70.98	71.39	70.24	70.38
<i>Cambs</i>	70.65	70.50	70.68	70.02	70.46	71.70	72.35	72.52	72.38	72.24	71.35
<i>Humberside</i>	62.68	65.19	65.63	66.13	64.91	63.11	64.74	65.18	64.80	64.46	64.68
<i>Midlothian</i>	72.01	72.49	72.35	72.97	72.46	70.40	71.37	71.92	71.94	71.41	71.93
<i>Shropshire</i>	60.54	62.00	61.86	62.16	61.64	62.74	63.48	63.77	62.66	63.16	62.40
Mean	67.09	68.19	68.27	68.43	68.00	67.26	68.44	68.87	68.63	68.30	68.15

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	70.77	70.27	70.82	70.22	70.52	70.18	70.47	70.28	70.03	70.24
<i>Cambs</i>	70.22	70.28	70.93	70.42	70.46	72.37	72.39	72.03	72.15	72.24
<i>Humberside</i>	65.14	65.00	65.12	64.36	64.91	65.06	64.76	64.68	63.33	64.46
<i>Midlothian</i>	72.40	72.15	72.54	72.74	72.46	71.44	71.65	71.42	71.12	71.41
<i>Shropshire</i>	61.98	61.74	61.47	61.36	61.64	64.13	63.86	62.48	62.19	63.17
Mean	68.10	67.89	68.18	67.82	68.00	68.64	68.63	68.18	67.76	68.30

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	67.23	67.28	67.23	66.63	67.09	67.74	67.85	67.09	66.33	67.25
80	68.38	68.29	68.21	67.89	68.19	68.69	68.53	68.66	67.90	68.45
120	68.34	67.86	68.65	68.22	68.27	69.10	69.00	68.73	68.66	68.87
160	68.45	68.12	68.62	68.53	68.43	69.01	69.11	68.24	68.18	68.64
Mean	68.10	67.89	68.18	67.82	68.00	68.64	68.62	68.18	67.77	68.30

### SED's

Site	0.427	SxV	0.456	SxVxN	0.599
Variety	0.101	SxN	0.508	SxVxPGR	0.599
Nitrogen	0.142	VxN	0.201	SxNxPGR	0.749
PGR	0.142	SxPGR	0.508	VxNxPGR	0.402
		VxPGR	0.201		
		NxPGR	0.284		

## Specific Weight (kg/hl) 1993

### Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	72.77	74.15	74.67	75.26	74.21	72.97	73.43	73.06	72.86	73.08	73.65
Cambs	73.18	73.60	72.84	72.75	73.09	72.62	72.99	73.46	73.27	73.09	73.09
Humberside	66.11	66.52	65.62	64.89	65.79	66.72	67.03	65.23	64.91	65.97	65.88
Midlothian					-					-	
Shropshire	76.40	79.67	81.27	81.54	79.72	79.92	80.00	79.96	79.63	79.88	79.80
Mean	72.12	73.49	73.60	73.61	73.20	73.06	73.36	72.93	72.67	73.00	73.11

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	74.52	74.74	73.36	74.24	74.22	72.97	73.43	73.06	72.86	73.08
Cambs	73.07	73.11	72.87	73.32	73.09	72.62	72.99	73.46	73.27	73.09
Humberside	66.44	66.27	65.41	65.02	65.79	66.72	67.03	65.23	64.21	65.80
Midlothian					0.00					0.00
Shropshire	79.80	79.92	79.43	79.74	79.72	79.92	80.00	79.96	79.63	79.88
Mean	73.46	73.51	72.77	73.08	73.20	73.06	73.36	72.93	72.49	72.96

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	72.93	72.42	71.28	71.84	72.12	72.58	72.77	72.02	71.28	72.16
80	73.33	73.75	73.07	73.79	73.49	73.13	73.47	72.90	72.84	73.09
120	73.71	74.06	73.37	73.27	73.60	73.24	73.42	73.15	73.16	73.24
160	73.86	73.82	73.34	73.42	73.61	73.28	73.80	73.64	73.40	73.53
Mean	73.46	73.51	72.77	73.08	73.20	73.06	73.37	72.93	72.67	73.01

### SED's

Site	0.427	SxV	0.449	SxVxN	0.564
Variety	0.099	SxN	0.491	SxVxPGR	0.564
Nitrogen	0.139	VxN	0.197	SxNxPGR	0.689
PGR	0.139	SxPGR	0.491	VxNxPGR	0.394
		VxPGR	0.197		
		NxPGR	0.279		

### Thousand Grain Weight (gm) - 1991

Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
Essex	39.59	40.40	39.87	40.02	39.97	44.40	46.15	45.35	45.18	45.27	42.62
Cambs	36.07	35.32	34.02	35.21	35.16	42.70	41.50	40.69	40.64	41.38	38.27
Humberside	38.87	41.49	41.70	41.87	40.98	45.60	46.99	46.26	46.03	46.22	43.61
Midlothian	32.43	34.52	35.77	36.34	34.77	38.50	39.45	41.37	41.30	40.16	37.46
Shropshire	28.45	32.43	34.12	33.88	32.22	30.07	33.49	35.39	36.95	33.98	33.10
Mean	35.08	36.83	37.10	37.46	36.62	40.25	41.52	41.81	42.02	41.40	39.01

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Essex	40.31	40.41	39.43	39.73	39.97	45.15	43.57	46.42	45.94	45.27
Cambs	34.98	33.74	34.96	36.94	35.16	43.03	40.34	41.83	40.33	41.38
Humberside	41.73	41.02	40.53	40.67	40.99	47.01	46.61	45.81	45.46	46.22
Midlothian	35.17	34.52	34.82	34.54	34.76	40.78	40.63	39.52	39.69	40.16
Shropshire	32.92	33.26	31.27	31.42	32.22	34.91	34.72	33.37	32.90	33.98
Mean	37.02	36.59	36.20	36.66	36.62	42.18	41.17	41.39	40.86	41.40

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	35.63	35.24	34.51	34.95	35.08	41.01	40.05	40.40	39.56	40.26
80	37.32	36.65	36.92	36.44	36.83	42.07	41.60	41.16	41.24	41.52
120	37.45	36.95	36.61	37.37	37.10	43.13	41.04	42.12	40.97	41.82
160	37.68	37.52	36.78	37.88	37.47	42.50	42.02	41.87	41.70	42.02
Mean	37.02	36.59	36.21	36.66	36.62	42.18	41.18	41.39	40.87	41.40

SED's

Site	0.332	SxV	0.418	SxVxN	0.751
Variety	0.161	SxN	0.552	SxVxPGR	0.751
Nitrogen	0.228	VxN	0.322	SxNxPGR	1.041
PGR	0.228	SxPGR	0.552	VxNxPGR	0.644
		VxPGR	0.322		
		NxPGR	0.456		

The above interaction SED's are applicable except when some comparisons have the same factor level



## Thousand Grain Weight (gm) 1992

### Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	33.92	35.16	35.23	34.29	34.65	39.20	41.52	38.88	38.38	39.50	37.07
Cambs	35.70	34.23	32.19	32.93	33.76	41.62	41.69	42.46	39.54	41.33	37.55
Humberside	37.58	40.12	40.61	41.12	39.86	45.37	45.84	46.09	46.25	45.89	42.87
Midlothian	38.73	36.78	37.89	37.14	37.64	44.15	46.43	46.22	46.59	45.85	41.74
Shropshire	28.52	28.33	28.69	28.64	28.55	34.95	35.51	34.07	35.08	34.90	31.73
Mean	34.89	34.92	34.92	34.82	34.89	41.06	42.20	41.54	41.17	41.49	38.19

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	34.73	34.37	36.14	33.35	34.65	39.00	39.40	40.99	38.59	39.50
Cambs	33.63	33.74	33.48	34.20	33.76	41.66	41.47	41.43	40.75	41.33
Humberside	40.25	39.82	40.17	39.17	39.85	46.77	46.78	45.37	44.62	45.89
Midlothian	37.72	37.31	37.51	38.01	37.64	46.36	46.86	43.98	46.19	45.85
Shropshire	29.02	28.45	28.54	28.18	28.55	35.44	35.24	34.77	34.17	34.91
Mean	35.07	34.74	35.17	34.58	34.89	41.85	41.95	41.31	40.86	41.49

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	35.14	34.96	35.35	34.12	34.89	41.20	41.45	41.12	40.46	41.06
80	35.24	35.04	34.45	34.96	34.92	42.88	42.71	41.27	41.93	42.20
120	35.27	34.65	34.60	35.16	34.92	41.39	42.40	41.35	41.04	41.55
160	34.63	34.30	36.28	34.09	34.83	41.92	41.25	41.48	40.03	41.17
Mean	35.07	34.74	35.17	34.58	34.89	41.85	41.95	41.31	40.87	41.49

### SED's

Site	0.583	SxV	0.655	SxVxN	0.982
Variety	0.189	SxN	0.779	SxVxPGR	0.982
Nitrogen	0.267	VxN	0.378	SxNxPGR	1.295
PGR	0.267	SxPGR	0.779	VxNxPGR	0.755
		VxPGR	0.378		
		NxPGR	0.534		

## Thousand Grain Weight (gm) 1993

### Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	34.81	36.53	37.16	37.09	36.40	39.74	41.31	41.67	41.91	41.16	38.78
<i>Cambs</i>	38.74	38.45	38.63	36.61	38.11	45.94	46.24	45.35	43.76	45.32	41.71
<i>Humberside</i>	42.25	40.33	40.32	39.58	40.62	49.14	47.02	47.52	46.00	47.42	44.02
<i>Midlothian</i>					0.00					0.00	
<i>Shropshire</i>	31.80	34.69	35.12	35.08	34.17	38.58	41.52	40.80	41.72	40.66	37.41
Mean	36.90	37.50	37.81	37.09	37.32	43.35	44.02	43.84	43.35	43.64	40.48

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	36.75	36.31	36.44	36.09	36.40	41.83	41.90	41.02	39.88	41.16
<i>Cambs</i>	38.28	37.85	38.55	37.74	38.11	44.94	43.80	46.35	46.20	45.32
<i>Humberside</i>	41.72	41.11	39.72	39.93	40.62	49.87	47.59	46.15	46.08	47.42
<i>Midlothian</i>					0.00					0.00
<i>Shropshire</i>	33.77	34.16	34.26	34.50	34.17	41.14	40.92	40.22	40.35	40.66
Mean	37.63	37.36	37.24	37.07	37.32	44.45	43.55	43.44	43.13	43.64

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	37.57	36.91	36.81	36.31	36.90	44.78	43.87	42.17	42.58	43.35
80	37.62	37.59	37.27	37.52	37.50	44.92	43.26	44.06	43.85	44.02
120	37.96	37.69	38.07	37.50	37.81	45.25	43.62	43.78	42.70	43.84
160	37.37	37.24	36.82	36.93	37.09	42.82	43.46	43.73	43.38	43.35
Mean	37.63	37.36	37.24	37.07	37.32	44.44	43.55	43.44	43.13	43.64

### SED's

Site	0.32	SxV	0.405	SxVxN	0.729
Variety	0.175	SxN	0.535	SxVxPGR	0.729
Nitrogen	0.248	VxN	0.35	SxNxPGR	1.011
PGR	0.248	SxPGR	0.535	VxNxPGR	0.7
		VxPGR	0.35		
		NxPGR	0.495		

## Grain nitrogen content -N% in DM - 1991

### Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)					PUFFIN					Site
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	Mean
<i>Essex</i>	1.37	1.37	1.50	1.66	1.48	1.39	1.46	1.57	1.75	1.54	1.51
<i>Cambs</i>	1.28	1.49	1.67	1.76	1.55	1.27	1.46	1.61	1.77	1.53	1.54
<i>Humberside</i>	1.36	1.51	1.69	1.84	1.60	1.39	1.63	1.76	1.90	1.67	1.63
<i>Midlothian</i>	1.23	1.39	1.53	1.75	1.48	1.29	1.43	1.62	1.80	1.54	1.51
<i>Shropshire</i>	1.38	1.46	1.64	1.90	1.60	1.43	1.62	1.72	2.04	1.70	1.65
Mean	1.32	1.44	1.61	1.78	1.54	1.35	1.52	1.66	1.85	1.60	1.57

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	1.52	1.44	1.50	1.44	1.48	1.56	1.53	1.58	1.50	1.54
<i>Cambs</i>	1.58	1.57	1.58	1.47	1.55	1.48	1.52	1.55	1.55	1.53
<i>Humberside</i>	1.65	1.57	1.61	1.57	1.60	1.69	1.65	1.69	1.66	1.67
<i>Midlothian</i>	1.53	1.45	1.48	1.44	1.48	1.55	1.56	1.53	1.51	1.54
<i>Shropshire</i>	1.57	1.65	1.59	1.57	1.60	1.76	1.68	1.72	1.67	1.71
Mean	1.57	1.54	1.55	1.50	1.54	1.61	1.59	1.61	1.58	1.60

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	1.34	1.31	1.35	1.30	1.33	1.36	1.35	1.37	1.34	1.36
80	1.46	1.46	1.45	1.41	1.45	1.52	1.50	1.54	1.52	1.52
120	1.63	1.62	1.61	1.57	1.61	1.70	1.63	1.68	1.63	1.66
160	1.84	1.76	1.80	1.72	1.78	1.85	1.87	1.87	1.81	1.85
Mean	1.57	1.54	1.55	1.50	1.54	1.61	1.59	1.62	1.58	1.60

### SED's

Site	0.029	SxV	0.031	SxVxN	0.042
Variety	0.007	SxN	0.035	SxVxPGR	0.042
Nitrogen	0.01	VxN	0.015	SxNxPGR	0.053
PGR	0.01	SxPGR	0.035	VxNxPGR	0.029
		VxPGR	0.015		
		NxPGR	0.021		

## Grain nitrogen content -N% in DM - 1992

### Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	1.29	1.43	1.66	1.80	1.55	1.33	1.55	1.71	1.93	1.63	1.59
Cambs	1.63	1.94	2.16	2.19	1.98	1.83	2.07	2.22	2.39	2.13	2.05
Humberside	1.47	1.57	1.61	1.72	1.59	1.52	1.62	1.71	1.85	1.68	1.63
Midlothian	1.55	1.71	1.91	2.01	1.80	1.60	1.83	1.98	2.05	1.87	1.83
Shropshire	1.49	1.64	1.78	2.01	1.73	1.55	1.73	1.84	2.13	1.81	1.77
Mean	1.49	1.66	1.82	1.95	1.73	1.57	1.76	1.89	2.07	1.82	1.77

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)								Mean	
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4		
<i>Essex</i>	1.56	1.53	1.58	1.51	1.55	1.65	1.62	1.66	1.59	1.63
Cambs	2.00	1.97	2.02	1.93	1.98	2.10	2.15	2.20	2.06	2.13
Humberside	1.58	1.58	1.59	1.62	1.59	1.68	1.68	1.68	1.66	1.68
Midlothian	1.85	1.78	1.73	1.81	1.79	1.88	1.86	1.92	1.81	1.87
Shropshire	1.74	1.73	1.72	1.73	1.73	1.84	1.82	1.79	1.81	1.82
Mean	1.75	1.72	1.73	1.72	1.73	1.83	1.83	1.85	1.79	1.82

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)								Mean	
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4		
0	1.49	1.47	1.51	1.48	1.49	1.54	1.60	1.60	1.52	1.57
80	1.65	1.63	1.68	1.67	1.66	1.75	1.76	1.82	1.71	1.76
120	1.83	1.87	1.78	1.82	1.83	1.92	1.87	1.91	1.87	1.89
160	2.02	1.91	1.93	1.92	1.95	2.11	2.06	2.08	2.03	2.07
Mean	1.75	1.72	1.73	1.72	1.73	1.83	1.82	1.85	1.78	1.82

### SED's

Site	0.028	SxV	0.031	SxVxN	0.048
Variety	0.009	SxN	0.038	SxVxPGR	0.048
Nitrogen	0.013	VxN	0.019	SxNxPGR	0.064
PGR	0.013	SxPGR	0.038	VxNxPGR	0.038
		VxPGR	0.019		
		NxPGR	0.027		

## Grain nitrogen content -N% in DM - 1993

### Malting site and heavy sites

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mea.
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	1.19	1.33	1.49	1.61	1.41	1.37	1.45	1.53	1.71	1.52	1.46
<i>Cambs</i>	1.38	1.62	1.78	1.95	1.68	1.54	1.77	1.85	1.96	1.78	1.73
<i>Humberside</i>	1.38	1.62	1.76	1.95	1.68	1.58	1.80	1.93	2.03	1.84	1.76
<i>Midlothian</i>	1.20	1.39	1.41	1.59	1.40	1.35	1.45	1.51	1.69	1.50	1.45
<i>Shropshire</i>	1.28	1.33	1.47	1.72	1.45	1.43	1.51	1.65	1.84	1.61	1.53
Mean	1.29	1.46	1.58	1.76	1.52	1.45	1.60	1.69	1.85	1.65	1.59

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	1.42	1.42	1.40	1.38	1.41	1.54	1.50	1.50	1.52	1.52
<i>Cambs</i>	1.72	1.69	1.67	1.65	1.68	1.83	1.77	1.79	1.74	1.78
<i>Humberside</i>	1.71	1.68	1.66	1.66	1.68	1.84	1.83	1.81	1.85	1.83
<i>Midlothian</i>	1.47	1.37	1.41	1.34	1.40	1.56	1.49	1.48	1.47	1.50
<i>Shropshire</i>	1.45	1.44	1.47	1.44	1.45	1.60	1.60	1.62	1.59	1.60
Mean	1.55	1.52	1.52	1.49	1.52	1.67	1.64	1.64	1.63	1.65

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	1.31	1.28	1.28	1.26	1.28	1.47	1.44	1.46	1.45	1.46
80	1.47	1.49	1.47	1.42	1.46	1.63	1.59	1.59	1.58	1.60
120	1.65	1.58	1.56	1.54	1.58	1.72	1.68	1.67	1.70	1.69
160	1.79	1.74	1.77	1.76	1.77	1.88	1.85	1.85	1.81	1.85
Mean	1.56	1.52	1.52	1.50	1.52	1.68	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.65

### SED's

Site	0.019	SxV	0.022	SxVxN	0.035
Variety	0.007	SxN	0.027	SxVxPGR	0.035
Nitrogen	0.01	VxN	0.014	SxNxPGR	0.047
PGR	0.01	SxPGR	0.027	VxNxPGR	0.028
		VxPGR	0.014		
		NxPGR	0.02		

**Lodging % crop area at harvest - 1991**

Cambridgeshire site 1991

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
Cambs	5.0	40.0	60.0	74.0	44.8	0.0	11.0	21.0	48.0	20.0	24.0

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)								Mean	
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4		
Cambs	70.0	64.0	30.0	16.0	45.0	39.0	33.0	3.0	4.0	19.8

	Nitrogen (kg/ha)				Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean												
	0	80	120	160	1	2	3	4													
	17.0	75.0	93.0	94.0	5.5	40.0	60.0	73.5	0.0	30.0	35.0	90.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	15.0	2.0	0.0	10.8	21.3	47.8
Mean	69.8	63.8	29.5	16.0	44.8	38.8	33.3	3.5	4.3	19.9											

SED's

Variety	2.90	VxN	5.70	VxNxPGR	11.4
Nitrogen	4.00	VxPGR	5.70		
PGR	4.00	NxPGR	8.10		

**Lodging % crop area at harvest - 1992**

*Malting site* and heavy sites  
(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	0	20	38	43	25	0	16	20	26	16	20
<i>Cambs</i>	18	37	50	41	37	12	2	9	17	10	23
<i>Humberside</i>	4	17	29	36	22	2	4	7	13	7	14
<i>Midlothian</i>	0	3	19	26	12	0	2	2	2	2	7
<i>Shropshire</i>	0	6	4	27	9	0	0	2	9	3	6
Mean	4	17	28	35	21	3	5	8	13	7	14.

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	32	21	31	17	25	15	16	16	15	16
<i>Cambs</i>	40	35	30	41	37	12	17	7	3	10
<i>Humberside</i>	31	20	19	17	22	8	9	5	4	7
<i>Midlothian</i>	28	10	7	3	12	5	1	0	0	2
<i>Shropshire</i>	18	12	4	2	9	5	5	0	1	3
Mean	30	20	18	16	21	9	10	6	5	7

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)				Mean
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	3	5	3	7	5	3	8	3	2	4
80	23	18	11	13	16	4	7	5	4	5
120	41	27	26	19	28	10	10	6	6	8
160	52	29	32	26	35	19	19	8	7	13
Mean	30	20	18	16	21	9	11	6	5	8

SED's

Site	2.00	SxV	2.70	SxVxN	5.4
Variety	1.20	SxN	3.80	SxVxPGR	5.4
Nitrogen	1.70	VxN	2.40	SxNxPGR	7.6
PGR	1.70	SxPGR	3.80	VxNxPGR	4.8
		VxPGR	2.40		
		NxPGR	3.40		

## Lodging % crop area at harvest - 1993

*Malting site* and heavy sites  
(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Cambs</i>	0.0	23.3	45.8	76.7	36.5	0.0	5.8	16.7	23.3	11.5	24.0
<i>Humberside</i>	8.8	14.8	27.0	23.5	18.5	4.7	11.5	7.0	8.5	7.9	13.2
<i>Midlothian</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.1
<i>Shropshire</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6
Mean	1.8	7.6	14.6	21.2	11.3	0.9	3.5	4.7	6.4	3.9	7.6

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Cambs</i>	50.0	38.3	35.8	21.7	36.5	30.0	14.6	0.4	0.8	11.5
<i>Humberside</i>	23.0	27.7	12.8	10.7	18.6	10.5	11.2	1.7	8.3	7.9
<i>Midlothian</i>	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1
<i>Shropshire</i>	4.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mean	15.5	13.4	9.7	6.5	11.3	8.1	5.2	0.4	1.8	3.9

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	2.7	2.7	0.4	1.3	1.8	1.1	1.3	0.0	1.3	0.9
80	12.7	12.0	4.5	1.1	7.6	5.2	4.9	1.1	2.7	3.5
120	19.7	20.4	11.5	6.7	14.6	10.7	7.0	0.6	0.7	4.8
160	27.0	18.7	22.5	16.5	21.2	15.5	7.7	0.0	2.7	6.5
Mean	15.5	13.5	9.7	6.4	11.3	8.1	5.2	0.4	1.9	3.9

SED's

Site	1.50	SxV	2.13	SxVxN	4.28
Variety	0.96	SxN	3.02	SxVxPGR	4.28
Nitrogen	1.36	VxN	1.92	SxNxPGR	6.06
PGR	1.36	SxPGR	3.02	VxNxPGR	3.84
		VxPGR	1.92		
		NxPGR	2.71		



**Grain nitrogen uptake (kg/ha) - 1991**

*Malting site* and heavy sites  
(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	45.30	74.80	89.90	104.30	78.58	45.90	77.80	94.30	111.20	82.30	80.4
<i>Cambs</i>	60.00	81.60	93.40	100.60	83.90	59.50	85.60	101.50	112.20	89.70	86.8
<i>Humberside</i>	42.70	76.70	93.80	109.30	80.63	49.40	86.00	104.60	120.20	90.05	85.3
<i>Midlothian</i>	46.50	77.60	94.50	115.90	83.63	47.80	80.10	102.00	120.70	87.65	85.6
<i>Shropshire</i>	34.80	60.30	79.80	102.20	69.28	34.20	67.80	83.10	110.90	74.00	71.7
Mean	45.86	74.20	90.28	106.46	79.20	47.36	79.46	97.10	115.04	84.74	81.96

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
<i>Essex</i>	79.70	75.80	81.40	77.30	78.55	82.60	81.50	83.20	81.80	82.28						
<i>Cambs</i>	78.90	81.40	90.40	84.90	83.90	83.70	88.00	92.40	94.70	89.70						
<i>Humberside</i>	81.70	78.80	81.10	81.00	80.65	87.70	91.60	90.40	90.40	90.03						
<i>Midlothian</i>	82.90	83.50	83.60	84.50	83.63	86.80	89.60	87.20	87.10	87.68						
<i>Shropshire</i>	68.70	73.00	66.70	68.80	69.30	76.30	73.20	74.00	72.50	74.00						
Mean	78.38	78.50	80.64	79.30	79.21	83.42	84.78	85.44	85.30	84.74						

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
0	46.10	45.30	46.90	45.20	45.88	45.90	49.10	46.40	47.90	47.33						
80	71.10	74.90	75.90	74.90	74.20	78.20	78.40	79.80	81.40	79.45						
120	89.20	88.90	92.30	90.80	90.30	96.10	95.40	99.30	97.60	97.10						
160	107.10	104.90	107.50	106.40	106.48	113.40	116.10	116.30	114.30	115.03						
Mean	78.38	78.50	80.65	79.33	79.21	83.40	84.75	85.45	85.30	84.73						

SED's

Site	1.76	SxV	1.94	SxVxN	2.76
Variety	0.51	SxN	2.24	SxVxPGR	2.76
Nitrogen	0.72	VxN	1.02	SxNxPGR	3.58
PGR	0.72	SxPGR	2.24	VxNxPGR	2.03
		VxPGR	1.02		
		NxPGR	1.44		

## Grain nitrogen uptake (kg/ha) - 1992

*Malting site* and heavy sites  
(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	40.80	81.10	95.20	105.50	80.65	43.80	90.10	103.90	118.30	89.03	84.8
<i>Cambs</i>	87.70	107.50	116.00	112.60	105.95	98.00	128.50	139.60	150.40	129.13	117.5
<i>Humberside</i>	53.10	77.20	83.10	91.20	76.15	56.00	80.00	91.60	101.90	82.38	79.2
<i>Midlothian</i>	77.60	110.30	126.70	134.90	112.38	77.10	122.40	142.40	150.20	123.03	117.7
<i>Shropshire</i>	52.80	75.50	88.00	106.60	80.73	62.50	88.20	99.60	127.00	94.33	87.5
Mean	62.40	90.32	101.80	110.16	91.17	67.48	101.84	115.42	129.56	103.58	97.34

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	81.00	80.60	81.20	79.80	80.65	86.80	91.30	88.90	89.00	89.00
<i>Cambs</i>	98.20	109.60	107.60	108.40	105.95	126.40	131.00	133.50	125.60	129.13
<i>Humberside</i>	77.10	75.00	76.50	76.00	76.15	82.10	84.80	80.90	81.60	82.35
<i>Midlothian</i>	110.60	110.70	111.50	116.70	112.38	124.00	123.20	127.00	117.80	123.00
<i>Shropshire</i>	78.70	79.20	81.50	83.50	80.73	95.20	93.80	91.90	96.40	94.33
Mean	89.12	91.02	91.66	92.88	91.17	102.90	104.82	104.44	102.08	103.56

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	61.80	59.90	65.60	62.30	62.40	64.10	69.60	70.80	65.40	67.48
80	85.00	89.20	92.30	94.80	90.33	98.60	102.70	105.10	101.00	101.85
120	98.70	105.90	99.10	103.50	101.80	119.40	114.00	113.90	114.30	115.40
160	110.90	109.10	109.70	110.90	110.15	129.50	132.90	128.10	127.70	129.55
Mean	89.10	91.03	91.68	92.88	91.17	102.90	104.80	104.48	102.10	103.57

SED's

Site	2.48	SxV	2.75	SxVxN	4.01
Variety	0.75	SxN	3.22	SxVxPGR	4.01
Nitrogen	1.06	VxN	1.51	SxNxPGR	5.23
PGR	1.06	SxPGR	3.22	VxNxPGR	3.01
		VxPGR	1.51		
		NxPGR	2.13		

### Grain nitrogen uptake (kg/ha) - 1993

Malting site and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	38.56	68.94	84.07	96.31	71.97	43.87	76.24	91.42	106.59	79.53	75.75
Cambs	60.58	80.64	89.56	94.54	81.33	72.93	99.07	102.95	108.98	95.98	88.65
Humberside	52.17	77.31	86.29	96.71	78.12	59.18	87.42	99.85	106.05	88.13	83.12
Midlotian	33.21	67.45	73.02	88.62	65.58	35.92	64.13	71.38	91.64	65.77	65.67
Shropshire	28.59	55.21	70.21	91.05	61.27	34.35	64.24	80.72	101.12	70.11	65.69
Mean	42.62	69.91	80.63	93.45	71.65	49.25	78.22	89.26	102.88	79.90	75.78

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	71.56	71.89	72.41	72.02	71.97	81.00	79.15	77.82	80.15	79.53
Cambs	78.54	78.39	83.45	84.92	81.33	94.22	91.87	99.67	98.16	95.98
Humberside	75.24	76.88	79.13	81.23	78.12	85.22	86.32	88.42	92.53	88.12
Midlotian	67.93	64.18	67.37	62.82	65.58	66.70	66.58	64.40	65.39	65.77
Shropshire	59.22	61.96	61.46	62.43	61.27	69.62	69.92	70.42	70.47	70.11
Mean	70.50	70.66	72.76	72.68	71.65	79.35	78.77	80.15	81.34	79.90

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	42.26	41.68	42.85	43.71	42.63	49.32	47.94	49.74	50.00	49.25
80	67.09	71.46	71.28	69.81	69.91	78.76	75.58	78.05	80.49	78.22
120	81.81	78.80	80.90	81.02	80.63	89.00	88.23	88.98	90.84	89.26
160	90.84	90.70	96.03	96.21	93.45	100.32	103.33	103.83	104.03	102.88
Mean	70.50	70.66	72.77	72.69	71.65	79.35	78.77	80.15	81.34	79.90

SED's

Site	2.644	SxV	2.770	SxVxN	3.433
Variety	0.524	SxN	3.008	SxVxPGR	3.433
Nitrogen	0.741	VxN	1.047	SxNxPGR	4.156
PGR	0.741	SxPGR	3.008	VxNxPGR	2.094
		VxPGR	1.047		
		NxPGR	1.481		

**Sievings - % Grain > 2.8mm -1991**

*Malting site* and heavy sites  
(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	Mean
<i>Essex</i>	61.00	59.20	58.00	53.00	57.80	81.00	86.00	83.40	80.80	82.80	70.30
<i>Cambs</i>	27.40	22.40	19.80	19.20	22.20	56.20	56.20	55.20	49.00	54.15	38.18
<i>Humberside</i>	50.60	63.60	59.20	54.00	56.85	78.80	80.60	79.00	75.40	78.45	67.65
<i>Midlothian</i>	13.60	20.60	23.80	27.00	21.25	50.00	50.20	56.80	56.80	53.45	37.35
<i>Shropshire</i>	22.40	28.40	32.80	37.00	30.15	38.00	44.60	47.40	56.80	46.70	38.43
Mean	35.00	38.84	38.72	38.04	37.65	60.80	63.52	64.36	63.76	63.11	50.38

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
<i>Essex</i>	57.00	54.20	61.40	58.60	57.80	84.40	80.60	84.00	82.20	82.80						
<i>Cambs</i>	20.20	17.00	25.80	25.60	22.15	55.80	46.80	59.40	54.40	54.10						
<i>Humberside</i>	59.00	59.00	57.00	52.60	56.90	81.80	80.60	77.40	74.20	78.50						
<i>Midlothian</i>	23.00	18.80	23.80	19.20	21.20	59.40	49.20	54.80	50.40	53.45						
<i>Shropshire</i>	29.20	29.20	31.40	30.80	30.15	49.40	47.00	45.60	44.80	46.70						
Mean	37.68	35.64	39.88	37.36	37.64	66.16	60.84	64.24	61.20	63.11						

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
0	37.40	35.00	35.20	32.40	35.00	64.60	59.60	61.20	58.00	60.85						
80	38.20	35.60	42.80	38.80	38.85	65.60	59.20	65.60	63.60	63.50						
120	37.80	36.40	41.60	39.00	38.70	68.20	61.20	65.00	63.00	64.35						
160	37.20	35.40	40.00	39.40	38.00	66.20	63.40	65.20	62.02	64.21						
Mean	37.65	35.60	39.90	37.40	37.64	66.15	60.85	64.25	61.66	63.23						

SED's

Site	0.82	SxV	1.12	SxVxN	2.12
Variety	0.46	SxN	1.52	SxVxPGR	2.12
Nitrogen	0.66	VxN	0.94	SxNxPGR	2.98
PGR	0.66	SxPGR	1.52	VxNxPGR	1.88
		VxPGR	0.94		
		NxPGR	1.32		

**Sievings - % Grain > 2.8mm -1992**

*Malting site* and heavy sites  
(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	12.60	22.40	27.20	26.80	22.25	48.20	57.40	55.60	51.00	53.05	37.65
Cambs	40.00	31.40	29.80	31.20	33.10	77.00	74.60	71.80	71.40	73.70	53.40
Humberside	41.40	50.60	53.40	51.60	49.25	76.60	78.00	78.80	76.60	77.50	63.38
Midlothian	49.00	41.20	38.60	36.00	41.20	70.80	79.80	79.40	78.20	77.05	59.12
Shropshire	24.00	23.60	22.00	24.40	23.50	66.40	67.00	64.80	65.00	65.80	44.65
Mean	33.40	33.84	34.20	34.00	33.86	67.80	71.36	70.08	68.44	69.42	51.64

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	25.80	18.60	25.80	18.80	22.25	54.20	53.80	52.20	52.20	53.10
Cambs	33.80	30.60	36.80	31.20	33.10	74.20	74.20	74.20	72.20	73.70
Humberside	48.20	43.60	55.20	49.80	49.20	77.20	78.20	79.60	75.20	77.55
Midlothian	40.80	37.40	45.40	41.20	41.20	78.40	75.80	79.20	75.00	77.10
Shropshire	24.60	23.40	23.60	22.60	23.55	64.60	65.60	66.40	66.60	65.80
Mean	34.64	30.72	37.36	32.72	33.86	69.72	69.52	70.32	68.24	69.45

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	37.00	29.80	36.20	30.60	33.40	67.20	68.60	69.80	65.60	67.80
80	34.00	32.00	35.40	33.80	33.80	72.20	70.60	73.00	69.60	71.35
120	35.60	31.00	36.40	34.00	34.25	70.00	70.00	71.20	69.20	70.10
160	32.00	30.00	41.60	32.40	34.00	69.60	68.80	67.20	68.60	68.55
Mean	34.65	30.70	37.40	32.70	33.86	69.75	69.50	70.30	68.25	69.45

SED's

Site	2.74	SxV	2.86	SxVxN	3.50
Variety	0.52	SxN	3.08	SxVxPGR	3.50
Nitrogen	0.74	VxN	1.04	SxNxPGR	4.22
PGR	0.74	SxPGR	3.08	VxNxPGR	2.10
		VxPGR	1.04		
		NxPGR	1.48		

Sievings - % Grain > 2.8mm -1993

*Malting site* and heavy sites  
(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	45.50	65.20	65.00	63.20	59.73	74.00	80.60	84.30	82.60	80.38	70
<i>Cambs</i>	51.00	51.80	49.40	43.40	48.90	82.50	80.20	76.90	70.80	77.60	63.2
<i>Humberside</i>	71.00	70.20	66.30	62.60	67.53	85.20	83.00	79.90	76.80	81.23	74.3
<i>Midlothian</i>	44.50	55.80	55.60	58.20	53.53	69.40	79.60	80.30	83.00	78.08	65.8
<i>Shropshire</i>	46.00	56.00	55.50	51.90	52.35	73.00	81.60	78.30	81.80	78.68	65.5
Mean	51.60	59.80	58.36	55.86	56.41	76.82	81.00	79.94	79.00	79.19	67.76

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	61.10	56.90	60.60	60.40	59.75	81.20	78.90	81.20	80.20	80.38
<i>Cambs</i>	50.40	48.60	48.30	48.10	48.85	73.40	74.20	81.20	81.60	77.60
<i>Humberside</i>	69.90	69.10	66.20	64.60	67.45	85.90	85.40	77.70	75.80	81.20
<i>Midlothian</i>	57.50	54.30	52.40	49.90	53.53	81.50	80.30	74.90	75.60	78.08
<i>Shropshire</i>	49.70	49.90	58.70	51.00	52.33	79.70	79.00	77.00	79.10	78.70
Mean	57.72	55.76	57.24	54.80	56.38	80.34	79.56	78.40	78.46	79.19

	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)									
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Nitrogen (kg/ha)										
0	55.70	50.10	51.20	49.50	51.63	80.30	77.40	74.20	75.40	76.83
80	59.50	60.00	62.70	57.00	59.80	81.40	80.10	81.40	81.10	81.00
120	59.70	56.60	59.40	57.70	58.35	81.60	81.60	78.20	78.30	79.93
160	56.00	56.30	55.70	55.00	55.75	78.00	79.20	79.80	78.90	78.98
Mean	57.73	55.75	57.25	54.80	56.38	80.33	79.58	78.40	78.43	79.18

SED's

Site	1.09	SxV	1.36	SxVxN	2.41
Variety	0.51	SxN	1.78	SxVxPGR	2.41
Nitrogen	0.73	VxN	1.03	SxNxPGR	3.33
PGR	0.73	SxPGR	1.78	VxNxPGR	2.05
		VxPGR	1.03		
		NxPGR	1.45		

**Sievings - % Grain 2.8-2.5mm - 1991**

*Malting site* and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	Mean
<i>Essex</i>	31.00	34.00	33.20	34.60	33.20	14.60	11.20	13.00	14.80	13.40	23.30
<i>Cambs</i>	52.80	47.60	46.00	44.20	47.65	35.80	35.80	33.60	34.60	34.95	41.30
<i>Humberside</i>	38.80	30.20	32.80	35.20	34.25	16.40	14.00	14.60	16.00	15.25	24.75
<i>Midlothian</i>	58.00	59.20	56.40	53.40	56.75	39.80	39.60	34.40	34.00	36.95	46.85
<i>Shropshire</i>	48.20	54.00	51.80	49.20	50.80	42.40	42.80	41.60	34.40	40.30	45.55
Mean	45.76	45.00	44.04	43.32	44.53	29.80	28.68	27.44	26.76	28.17	36.35

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
<i>Essex</i>	33.40	36.40	30.60	32.60	33.25	12.40	15.60	11.80	14.00	13.45						
<i>Cambs</i>	47.40	46.40	45.40	51.60	47.70	34.60	40.00	30.20	34.80	34.90						
<i>Humberside</i>	33.20	32.20	34.40	37.40	34.30	13.00	13.80	15.40	18.80	15.25						
<i>Midlothian</i>	57.80	57.60	55.80	56.00	56.80	32.60	40.40	36.00	38.80	36.95						
<i>Shropshire</i>	51.60	51.20	50.20	50.20	50.80	38.40	39.80	41.00	41.80	40.25						
Mean	44.68	44.76	43.28	45.56	44.57	26.20	29.92	26.88	29.64	28.16						

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
0	46.00	45.20	45.40	46.40	45.75	27.00	31.20	29.20	32.00	29.85						
80	43.80	45.80	44.00	46.40	45.00	27.40	32.00	27.00	28.40	28.70						
120	45.20	43.60	42.00	45.60	44.10	24.80	30.20	26.20	28.60	27.45						
160	43.80	44.40	41.60	43.80	43.40	25.60	26.40	25.20	29.80	26.75						
Mean	44.70	44.75	43.25	45.55	44.56	26.20	29.95	26.90	29.70	28.19						

SED's

Site	0.68	SxV	0.88	SxVxN	1.66
Variety	0.36	SxN	1.2	SxVxPGR	1.86
Nitrogen	0.5	VxN	0.72	SxNxPGR	2.3
PGR	0.5	SxPGR	1.2	VxNxPGR	1.44
		VxPGR	0.72		
		NxPGR	1.02		

Sievings - % Grain 2.8-2.5mm - 1992

Malting site and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
Essex	62.20	51.60	44.60	39.80	49.55	42.20	34.20	32.20	30.40	34.75	42.15
Cambs	47.00	38.40	37.80	36.20	39.85	18.80	20.00	22.20	22.20	20.80	30.33
Humberside	40.80	36.60	33.40	34.80	36.40	17.20	16.40	15.80	17.20	16.65	26.53
Midlothian	39.00	43.00	43.20	44.80	42.50	23.00	15.80	16.20	16.60	17.90	30.20
Shropshire	42.00	44.40	43.20	41.00	42.65	25.40	26.20	27.20	26.40	26.30	34.48
Mean	46.20	42.80	40.44	39.32	42.19	25.32	22.52	22.72	22.56	23.28	32.74

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	PIPKIN				Mean	PUFFIN				Mean
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
Essex	50.00	49.20	49.20	49.80	49.55	34.40	35.20	33.00	36.60	34.80
Cambs	41.00	39.60	38.40	40.80	39.95	21.00	20.20	20.00	22.00	20.80
Humberside	37.60	38.80	33.80	35.60	36.45	17.40	16.60	14.80	17.80	16.65
Midlothian	41.80	42.40	42.60	43.00	42.45	17.40	18.80	15.80	19.40	17.85
Shropshire	41.60	40.80	44.20	44.00	42.65	27.40	26.80	25.60	25.40	26.30
Mean	42.40	42.16	41.64	42.64	42.21	23.52	23.52	21.84	24.24	23.28

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	PIPKIN				Mean	PUFFIN				Mean
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
0	45.60	47.20	44.60	47.40	46.20	26.00	25.00	23.20	27.00	25.30
80	43.20	41.80	43.40	43.20	42.90	22.40	23.60	20.80	23.40	22.55
120	41.20	39.80	40.40	40.40	40.45	23.00	22.80	21.60	23.40	22.70
160	39.80	39.80	38.20	39.60	39.35	22.80	22.80	21.60	23.20	22.60
Mean	42.45	42.15	41.65	42.65	42.23	23.55	23.55	21.80	24.25	23.29

SED's

Site	1.40	SxV	1.50	SxVxN	2.02
Variety	0.34	SxN	1.68	SxVxPGR	2.02
Nitrogen	0.48	VxN	0.70	SxNxPGR	2.54
PGR	0.48	SxPGR	1.68	VxNxPGR	1.38
		VxPGR	0.70		
		NxPGR	0.98		



Sievings - % Grain 2.8-2.5mm - 1993

Malting site and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	42.20	29.30	28.20	28.60	32.08	20.60	14.60	13.60	13.80	15.65	23.9
<i>Cambs</i>	38.10	31.60	30.90	32.20	33.20	13.00	14.60	15.90	18.00	15.38	24.3
<i>Humberside</i>	21.00	20.70	21.60	23.30	21.65	9.80	10.70	11.70	13.60	11.45	16.6
<i>Midlothian</i>	40.90	35.00	35.00	32.60	35.88	22.20	15.10	14.70	12.60	16.15	26
<i>Shropshire</i>	18.30	17.50	17.20	17.10	17.53	10.10	7.40	8.60	7.00	8.28	12.9
Mean	32.10	26.82	26.58	26.76	28.07	15.14	12.48	12.90	13.00	13.38	20.74

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
<i>Essex</i>	31.30	34.60	31.10	31.30	32.08	15.40	15.80	15.10	16.40	15.68						
<i>Cambs</i>	31.20	34.00	34.00	33.80	33.25	17.40	17.00	13.70	13.50	15.40						
<i>Humberside</i>	20.20	21.30	21.80	23.20	21.63	8.60	9.30	13.50	14.40	11.45						
<i>Midlothian</i>	32.50	35.60	37.00	38.40	35.88	14.00	14.40	18.00	18.30	16.18						
<i>Shropshire</i>	18.30	18.20	15.40	18.20	17.53	7.90	8.30	9.00	7.90	8.28						
Mean	26.70	28.74	27.86	28.98	28.07	12.66	12.96	13.86	14.10	13.40						

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
0	29.20	33.30	32.80	33.20	32.13	13.20	15.20	16.60	15.60	15.15						
80	26.70	26.60	25.40	28.70	26.85	12.30	12.80	12.50	12.40	12.50						
120	24.80	28.40	26.30	26.90	26.60	11.80	11.50	13.50	14.90	12.93						
160	26.20	26.70	27.00	27.20	26.78	13.30	12.30	12.90	13.50	13.00						
Mean	26.73	28.75	27.88	29.00	28.09	12.65	12.95	13.88	14.10	13.39						

SED's

Site	0.77	SxV	0.9	SxVxN	1.43
Variety	0.29	SxN	1.1	SxVxPGR	1.43
Nitrogen	0.41	VxN	0.58	SxNxPGR	1.93
PGR	0.41	SxPGR	1.1	VxNxPGR	1.16
		VxPGR	0.58		
		NxPGR	0.82		

Sievings - % Grain 2.5-2.2mm - 1991

Malting site and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	6.40	5.60	7.00	9.40	7.10	3.20	2.20	2.80	3.40	2.90	5.00
Cambs	15.80	22.60	23.60	25.00	21.75	6.40	6.40	8.60	11.00	8.10	14.93
Humberside	8.20	6.40	5.40	7.40	6.85	3.60	3.80	4.60	5.20	4.30	5.58
Midlothian	23.00	16.40	15.60	15.60	17.65	7.80	8.00	6.80	7.40	7.50	12.58
Shropshire	22.20	14.00	11.60	10.00	14.45	14.40	9.60	8.80	6.80	9.90	12.18
Mean	15.12	13.00	12.64	13.48	13.56	7.08	6.00	6.32	6.76	6.54	10.05

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	PIPKIN				PUFFIN				Mean	
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4		
<i>Essex</i>	7.80	7.40	6.20	7.00	7.10	2.40	2.80	3.00	3.20	2.85
Cambs	22.60	25.00	20.80	18.60	21.75	7.40	9.40	7.20	8.20	8.05
Humberside	5.60	8.00	6.20	7.40	6.80	3.60	3.80	4.60	5.00	4.25
Midlothian	15.20	18.80	16.20	20.20	17.60	6.20	8.20	7.00	8.60	7.50
Shropshire	15.00	15.20	13.40	13.80	14.35	9.60	10.20	10.00	10.00	9.95
Mean	13.24	14.88	12.56	13.40	13.52	5.84	6.88	6.36	7.00	6.52

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	PIPKIN				PUFFIN				Mean	
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4		
0	13.00	15.20	15.20	16.80	15.05	6.20	7.00	7.20	7.60	7.00
80	13.40	16.00	10.40	12.20	13.00	5.40	6.80	5.80	6.20	6.05
120	12.40	14.00	12.00	12.00	12.60	5.40	6.80	6.20	6.80	6.30
160	14.00	14.40	12.80	12.60	13.45	6.40	7.00	6.20	7.40	6.75
Mean	13.20	14.90	12.60	13.40	13.53	5.85	6.90	6.35	7.00	6.53

SED's

Site	0.28	SxV	0.42	SxVxN	0.88
Variety	0.20	SxN	0.60	SxVxPGR	0.88
Nitrogen	0.28	VxN	0.40	SxNxPGR	1.24
PGR	0.28	SxPGR	0.60	VxNxPGR	0.78
		VxPGR	0.40		
		NxPGR	0.56		

Sievings - % Grain 2.5-2.2mm - 1992

Malting site and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	21.80	20.40	20.40	22.40	21.25	7.80	6.20	9.60	10.60	8.55	14.90
<i>Cambs</i>	10.80	20.60	22.60	22.40	19.10	3.40	4.40	4.60	5.00	4.35	11.73
<i>Humberside</i>	14.00	10.20	9.80	10.40	11.10	4.00	4.00	3.40	4.00	3.85	7.48
<i>Midlothian</i>	10.60	12.20	14.60	15.60	13.25	4.60	3.20	3.20	3.40	3.60	8.43
<i>Shropshire</i>	23.80	22.80	23.40	22.20	23.05	6.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	5.75	14.40
Mean	16.20	17.24	18.16	18.60	17.55	5.16	4.56	5.36	5.80	5.22	11.39

Growth Regulator treatment (No. as method)

	PIPKIN				Mean	PUFFIN				Mean
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	18.40	23.80	19.60	23.20	21.25	9.00	8.60	8.40	8.40	8.60
<i>Cambs</i>	18.20	19.80	18.00	20.40	19.10	4.00	4.40	4.80	4.20	4.35
<i>Humberside</i>	11.00	13.60	8.80	11.00	11.10	3.60	3.40	3.60	4.80	3.85
<i>Midlothian</i>	14.80	14.80	11.20	12.20	13.25	3.20	3.80	3.20	4.20	3.60
<i>Shropshire</i>	22.80	24.00	22.40	22.80	23.00	6.00	5.60	5.60	5.80	5.75
Mean	17.04	19.20	16.00	17.92	17.54	5.16	5.16	5.12	5.48	5.23

Growth Regulator treatment (No. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	PIPKIN				Mean	PUFFIN				Mean
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
0	14.60	18.00	15.20	17.20	16.25	5.40	4.60	5.00	5.60	5.15
80	17.20	18.00	16.00	17.00	17.05	4.20	4.40	4.80	4.80	4.55
120	17.40	20.40	16.80	18.20	18.20	5.40	5.40	5.20	5.40	5.35
160	19.00	20.60	15.60	19.40	18.65	5.80	6.20	5.40	6.00	5.85
Mean	17.05	19.25	15.90	17.95	17.54	5.20	5.15	5.10	5.45	5.23

SED's

Site	1.16	SxV	1.20	SxVxN	1.46
Variety	0.22	SxN	1.30	SxVxPGR	1.46
Nitrogen	0.30	VxN	0.44	SxNxPGR	1.76
PGR	0.30	SxPGR	1.30	VxNxPGR	0.86
		VxPGR	0.44		
		NxPGR	0.62		

Sievings - % Grain 2.5-2.2mm - 1993

Malting site and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
Essex	10.40	4.50	5.50	6.60	6.75	4.10	2.40	2.10	2.80	2.85	7.5
Cambs	8.40	12.00	14.00	16.00	12.60	3.10	3.80	5.00	7.20	4.78	5.9
Humberside	5.20	5.40	7.00	8.00	6.40	3.30	4.10	5.40	5.90	4.68	3.7
Midlothian	11.80	6.90	7.00	6.90	8.15	5.80	3.00	3.10	2.50	3.60	4.2
Shropshire	8.70	4.50	5.00	6.90	6.28	3.40	1.80	2.20	2.00	2.35	7.2
Mean	8.90	6.66	7.70	8.88	8.04	3.94	3.02	3.56	4.08	3.65	5.70

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Essex	6.30	6.90	7.00	6.90	6.78	2.60	2.70	2.80	3.30	2.85						
Cambs	12.70	12.20	12.80	12.70	12.60	6.40	5.80	3.50	3.40	4.78						
Humberside	6.00	5.50	7.10	6.90	6.38	3.40	3.40	5.50	6.40	4.68						
Midlothian	7.50	7.90	8.10	9.10	8.15	2.90	3.10	4.40	3.90	3.58						
Shropshire	6.80	6.80	5.20	6.30	6.28	2.20	2.20	2.50	2.50	2.35						
Mean	7.86	7.86	8.04	8.38	8.04	3.50	3.44	3.74	3.90	3.65						

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
0	8.1	8.7	9.2	9.7	8.93	3.20	3.70	4.60	4.30	3.95						
80	6.9	6.5	6.3	7	6.68	2.80	2.80	3.00	3.50	3.03						
120	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.73	3.50	3.30	3.60	3.90	3.58						
160	8.9	8.6	9.1	8.9	8.88	4.60	4.00	3.80	4.00	4.10						
Mean	7.88	7.88	8.08	8.38	8.05	3.53	3.45	3.75	3.93	3.66						

SED's

Site	0.27	SxV	0.36	SxVxN	0.69
Variety	0.15	SxN	0.49	SxVxPGR	0.69
Nitrogen	0.21	VxN	0.30	SxNxPGR	0.97
PGR	0.21	SxPGR	0.49	VxNxPGR	0.61
		VxPGR	0.30		
		NxPGR	0.43		

Sievings - % Grain <2.2mm -1991

Malting site and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
Essex	1.40	1.20	1.60	2.40	1.65	1.00	0.80	1.20	1.20	1.05	1.35
Cambs	4.20	7.60	11.40	11.60	8.70	1.60	1.80	3.00	3.80	2.55	5.63
Humberside	1.80	1.40	2.20	3.00	2.10	1.20	1.40	1.80	3.00	1.85	1.98
Midlothian	5.40	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.45	2.40	2.20	2.00	2.00	2.15	3.30
Shropshire	7.20	3.80	3.40	3.80	4.55	5.20	2.60	2.40	2.00	3.05	3.80
Mean	4.00	3.64	4.56	4.96	4.29	2.28	1.76	2.08	2.40	2.13	3.21

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Essex	1.80	1.60	1.60	1.80	1.70	0.80	0.80	1.20	1.20	1.00						
Cambs	10.00	11.60	8.00	5.20	8.70	2.20	3.40	2.20	2.40	2.55						
Humberside	1.60	2.00	2.20	2.40	2.05	1.40	1.60	2.40	1.80	1.80						
Midlothian	4.00	4.80	4.20	4.80	4.45	1.80	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.10						
Shropshire	4.20	4.20	4.80	4.80	4.50	2.80	3.00	3.40	3.20	3.10						
Mean	4.32	4.84	4.16	3.80	4.28	1.80	2.20	2.28	2.16	2.11						

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	1				2				3				4			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
0	3.40	4.20	4.20	4.40	4.05	2.00	2.20	2.40	2.40	2.25						
80	4.40	4.20	2.80	3.00	3.60	1.60	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.75						
120	4.40	5.80	4.20	3.80	4.55	1.60	2.20	2.20	2.00	2.00						
160	5.00	5.20	5.60	4.20	5.00	1.80	2.60	2.80	2.40	2.40						
Mean	4.30	4.85	4.20	3.85	4.30	1.75	2.20	2.30	2.15	2.10						

SED's

Site	0.28	SxV	0.32	SxVxN	0.50
Variety	0.10	SxN	0.40	SxVxPGR	0.50
Nitrogen	0.14	VxN	0.20	SxNxPGR	0.68
PGR	0.14	SxPGR	0.40	VxNxPGR	0.40
		VxPGR	0.20		
		NxPGR	0.28		

**Sievings - % Grain <2.2mm -1992**

*Malting site* and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site	
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)										Mean	Mean
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160			
<i>Essex</i>	3.40	5.40	7.80	10.60	6.80	1.80	1.40	2.60	3.40	2.30	4.55	
<i>Cambs</i>	2.60	7.60	9.80	10.40	7.60	1.20	1.40	1.20	1.20	1.25	4.42	
<i>Humberside</i>	3.00	2.60	2.60	3.40	2.90	2.60	2.20	2.20	2.40	2.35	2.62	
<i>Midlothian</i>	2.80	4.00	3.60	5.20	3.90	1.40	1.00	1.20	1.80	1.35	2.62	
<i>Shropshire</i>	10.20	9.20	11.60	12.40	10.85	2.20	1.80	2.20	2.40	2.15	6.50	
Mean	4.40	5.76	7.08	8.40	6.41	1.84	1.56	1.88	2.24	1.88	4.14	

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN				
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
<i>Essex</i>	5.40	8.40	5.20	8.00	6.75	2.40	2.40	2.20	2.20	2.30
<i>Cambs</i>	7.00	8.00	7.00	8.20	7.55	1.40	1.20	1.40	1.20	1.30
<i>Humberside</i>	3.00	3.00	2.80	2.80	2.90	2.40	2.00	2.20	2.60	2.30
<i>Midlothian</i>	3.80	5.20	2.80	3.80	3.90	1.20	1.60	1.60	1.20	1.40
<i>Shropshire</i>	10.80	11.80	9.80	10.60	10.75	2.00	2.00	2.40	2.20	2.15
Mean	6.00	7.28	5.52	6.68	6.37	1.88	1.84	1.96	1.88	1.89

Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)

Nitrogen (kg/ha)	PIPKIN					PUFFIN				
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
0	3.60	4.80	4.60	4.40	4.35	1.80	1.60	1.80	2.00	1.80
80	5.40	6.40	5.20	6.00	5.75	1.60	1.40	1.80	1.60	1.60
120	6.40	8.60	6.40	7.20	7.15	1.80	2.00	2.00	1.80	1.90
160	8.80	9.40	6.00	9.40	8.40	2.40	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.25
Mean	6.05	7.30	5.55	6.75	6.41	1.90	1.80	1.95	1.90	1.89

SED's

Site	0.58	SxV	0.62	SxVxN	0.82
Variety	0.14	SxN	0.7	SxVxPGR	0.82
Nitrogen	0.20	VxN	0.28	SxNxPGR	1.04
PGR	0.20	SxPGR	0.7	VxNxPGR	0.56
		VxPGR	0.28		
		NxPGR	0.4		

## Sievings - % Grain &lt; 2.2mm -1993

## Malting site and heavy sites

(Rounded values)

	PIPKIN					PUFFIN					Site Mean
	Nitrogen rate (kg/ha)					N					
	0	80	120	160	Mean	0	80	120	160	Mean	
<i>Essex</i>	1.50	0.80	1.00	1.40	1.18	1.10	0.60	0.70	0.80	0.80	2.3
<i>Cambs</i>	2.30	4.60	5.60	7.90	5.10	1.20	1.20	2.00	3.70	2.03	2.2
<i>Humberside</i>	2.80	3.80	5.10	6.50	4.55	1.70	2.30	2.90	3.80	2.68	1.7
<i>Midlothian</i>	2.80	2.30	2.40	2.40	2.48	2.70	2.10	1.90	1.80	2.13	1.3
<i>Shropshire</i>	27.00	22.00	22.20	24.00	23.80	13.50	9.20	10.80	9.10	10.65	3.2
Mean	7.28	6.70	7.26	8.44	7.42	4.04	3.08	3.66	3.84	3.66	2.06
	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)										
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		
<i>Essex</i>	1.10	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.18	0.70	0.70	0.80	1.00	0.80	
<i>Cambs</i>	5.60	5.40	4.80	4.60	5.10	2.70	2.80	1.40	1.10	2.00	
<i>Humberside</i>	3.90	4.00	4.90	5.30	4.53	2.00	1.90	3.30	3.40	2.65	
<i>Midlothian</i>	2.40	2.30	2.50	2.50	2.43	1.90	2.00	2.60	2.10	2.15	
<i>Shropshire</i>	25.10	25.00	20.70	24.50	23.83	10.20	10.50	11.50	10.50	10.68	
Mean	7.62	7.56	6.82	7.64	7.41	3.50	3.58	3.92	3.62	3.66	
	Growth Regulator treatment (Nos. as method)										
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		
Nitrogen (kg/ha)											
0	7.00	7.70	6.80	7.50	7.25	3.30	3.70	4.50	4.60	4.03	
80	6.90	6.90	5.60	7.30	6.68	3.50	2.70	3.00	3.10	3.08	
120	7.90	7.50	6.60	7.10	7.28	3.10	3.50	4.70	3.40	3.68	
160	8.70	8.30	8.20	8.60	8.45	4.10	4.30	3.50	3.40	3.83	
Mean	7.63	7.60	6.80	7.63	7.41	3.50	3.55	3.93	3.63	3.65	

## SED's

Site	0.23	SxV	0.35	SxVxN	0.74
Variety	0.17	SxN	0.52	SxVxPGR	0.74
Nitrogen	0.24	VxN	0.34	SxNxPGR	1.06
PGR	0.24	SxPGR	0.52	VxNxPGR	0.28
		VxPGR	0.34		
		NxPGR	0.48		

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Site	N/PGR treatment	H <sub>2</sub> O (%)	HWE2 (log <sub>e</sub> -l)	HWE7 (log <sub>e</sub> -l)	C/F (log <sub>e</sub> -l)	Colour (EBC)	TSN (%)	TN (%)	SNR (%)	FAN (mg l <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Ferm (%)	Visc (mPa)	Friab (%)
Little Oakley, Essex	80/Nil	4.4	313	310	3	2.1	0.49	1.22	40	116	5.92	79	1.51	92
	80/CCC	4.3	313	312	1	2.4	0.52	1.33	39	121	5.92	79	1.54	92
	80/Seq	4.2	314	310	4	2.4	0.49	1.29	38	114	5.95	79	1.54	91
Hardwick, Cambs.	80/Nil	4.2	310	307	3	2.4	0.53	1.44	37	123	5.99	78	1.54	90
	80/Terp	4.6	306	303	3	2.4	0.56	1.58	35	128	5.99	78	1.57	84
	80/Seq	4	309	306	3	2.5	0.56	1.48	38	128	5.99	78	1.56	85
Goole, Humberside	80/Nil	4.7	311	308	3	2.1	0.51	1.42	36	114	6.02	79	1.62	84
	80/CCC	4.6	312	309	3	2.5	0.52	1.51	34	113	5.99	79	1.65	83
	80/Seq	4.3	311	307	4	2.3	0.55	1.52	36	113	5.93	79	1.58	81
Much Wenlock, Shrops	80/CCC	4.4	308	305	3	2.1	0.53	1.39	38	125	5.94	79	1.53	89
	80/Terp	4.1	309	305	4	2.1	0.53	1.48	36	126	5.95	79	1.56	84
	80/Seq	4.4	309	306	3	2.5	0.54	1.43	38	129	5.96	79	1.57	86
Penicuik, Midlothian	80/CCC	4.3	312	310	2	2.6	0.52	1.34	39	127	5.98	78	1.56	91
	80/Terp	4.3	310	307	3	2.6	0.51	1.27	40	125	5.92	79	1.54	91
	80/Seq	4.1	308	305	3	2.6	0.5	1.24	40	119	5.91	79	1.56	90



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1992

	N/PGR treatment	H <sub>2</sub> O (%)	HWE2 (log-1)	HWE7 (log-1)	C/F (log-1)	Colour (EBC)	TSN (%)	TN (%)	SNR (%)	FAN (mg l <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Ferm (%)	Visc (mPa)	Friab (%)
Little Oakley, Essex	80/Nil	4.7	315	312	3	2	0.46	1.22	38	102	5.95	78	1.51	96
	80/CCC	5.2	314	312	2	2.1	0.51	1.33	38	112	5.95	78	1.51	94
	80/Terp	4.9	315	313	2	2.1	0.48	1.19	40	104	5.93	78	1.49	98
	80/Seq	4.4	312	310	2	2.1	0.57	1.39	41	127	5.89	78	1.53	91
	120/Seq	4.6	312	310	3	2	0.54	1.38	39	118	5.92	78	1.56	93
Hardwick, Cambs.	80/Nil	4.5	311	309	2	2	0.59	1.59	37	118	5.97	79	1.64	84
	80/CCC	4.6	307	304	3	2.1	0.62	1.77	35	124	6	76	1.55	87
	80/Terp	4.6	305	305	0	2	0.62	1.64	38	125	5.98	79	1.54	84
	80/Seq	4.8	307	300	7	2.1	0.68	1.84	37	139	5.93	79	1.54	82
	120/Seq	4.8	317	304	13	2.1	0.65	1.74	37	134	5.96	79	1.54	84
Penicuik, Midlothian	80/Nil	4.7	309	304	5	2.2	0.52	1.55	34	111	6.01	76	1.8	78
	80/CCC	4.9	311	303	8	2.1	0.51	1.5	34	111	6.03	76	1.74	81
	80/Terp	5.1	312	305	7	2.2	0.52	1.49	35	117	6.02	77	1.67	84
	80/Seq	4.9	307	299	8	2.2	0.53	1.67	32	116	6.02	76	1.79	72
	120/Terp	5.2	309	301	8	2.2	0.56	1.59	35	124	6.04	76	1.69	77

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1993

N/PGR treatment	H <sub>2</sub> O (%)	HWE2 (log <sub>g</sub> -1)	HWE7 (log <sub>g</sub> -1)	C/F (log <sub>g</sub> -1)	Colour (EBC)	TSN (%)	TN (%)	SNR (%)	FAN (mg l <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Ferm (%)	Visc (mPa)	Friab (%)
Little Oakley, Essex													
80/Nil	3.9	313	311	2	-	0.53	1.29	41	0.11	5.95	75	1.53	83
80/CCC	4.1	312	310	2	-	0.56	1.39	40	0.11	5.92	75	1.52	83
80/Terp	3.9	311	310	1	-	0.52	1.29	40	0.1	5.98	76	1.52	
80/Seq	3.6	313	311	2	-	0.53	1.26	42	0.11	5.93	76	1.53	89
120/Terp	3.9	311	308	3	-	0.59	1.5	39	0.12	5.94	75	1.56	75
Hardwick, Cambs.													
80/Nil	5.8	311	304	7	-	0.64	1.67	38	0.12	6.02	76	1.51	82
80/CCC	5.6	308	303	5	-	0.63	1.66	38	0.12	6.04	76	1.55	83
80/Terp	5.9	306	303	3	-	0.64	1.7	38	0.11	6.06	75	1.55	79
80/Seq	5.4	306	303	3	-	0.64	1.75	37	0.11	6.05	76	1.55	84
120/CCC	5.6	304	298	6	-	0.63	1.83	34	0.11	6.09	75	1.59	75
Much Wenlock, Shrops													
80/Nil	4.3	309	306	3	-	0.5	1.34	37	0.09	5.98	79	1.49	90
80/CCC	4.5	310	308	2	-	0.48	1.26	38	0.08	6	78	151	90
80/Terp	4.5	309	308	1	-	0.47	1.28	37	0.09	6.01	78	1.52	90
80/Seq	4.5	310	308	2	-	0.45	1.23	37	0.09	5.98	78	1.51	92
120/Nil	4.7	309	305	4	-	0.51	1.36	38	0.1	5.98	79	1.48	90
Penicnick, Midlothian													
80/Terp	4.2	308	302	6	-	0.54	1.35	40	0.1	5.98	75	1.71	74
80/Seq	4.1	307	301	6	-	0.5	1.32	38	0.09	6.01	76	1.76	78
120/Seq	4.2	307	299	6	-	0.48	1.36	35	0.09	6.03	76	1.79	73
120/Terp	4.4	308	300	8	-	0.52	1.35	39	0.09	5.99	75	1.79	75
120/CCC	4.9	308	299	9	-	0.47	1.34	35	0.08	6.05	75	1.87	70

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	N/PGR treatment	H <sub>2</sub> O (%)	HWE2 (log <sub>e</sub> -1)	HWE7 (log <sub>e</sub> -1)	C/F (log <sub>e</sub> -1)	Colour (EBC)	TSN (%)	TN (%)	SNR (%)	FAN (mg l <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Ferm (%)	Visc (mPa)	Friab (%)
Little Oakley, Essex	80/Nil	4.6	314	310	4	2.1	0.58	1.42	41	124	6	78	1.53	89
	80/CCC	5.1	313	309	4	2.1	0.55	1.48	37	115	6	78	1.53	84
	80/Seq	5.1	311	307	4	2.1	0.58	1.52	38	123	5.94	78	1.55	86
Hardwick, Cambs.	80/Nil	4.5	311	307	4	2.1	0.62	1.56	40	138	5.96	79	1.57	89
	80/Terp	4.6	308	306	2	2.1	0.6	1.6	38	130	5.97	77	1.58	88
	80/Seq	4.5	310	306	4	2.1	0.59	1.61	37	130	5.93	78	1.61	84
Goole, Humberside	80/Nil	3.8	308	303	5	2.3	0.59	1.59	37	124	5.94	76	1.59	74
	80/CCC	4.4	308	302	6	2.3	0.59	1.6	37	126	5.94	75	1.59	76
	80/Seq	4.1	308	304	4	2.3	0.64	1.66	39	131	5.97	75	1.63	73
Much Wenlock, Shrops	80/CCC	4.5	307	304	3	2.1	0.63	1.63	39	142	6.02	78	1.57	82
	80/Terp	4.8	307	303	4	2.1	0.6	1.6	38	134	6.02	78	1.55	80
	80/Seq	4.5	306	304	2	2.1	0.6	1.66	36	128	6.03	78	1.56	82
Penicuik, Midlothian	80/CCC	3.8	312	307	5	2.4	0.55	1.36	40	124	5.96	78	1.6	87
	80/Terp	4.1	314	311	3	2.3	0.55	1.35	41	124	5.96	78	1.58	89
	80/Seq	4	313	308	5	2.3	0.54	1.34	40	123	5.94	77	1.59	88

**Puffin**

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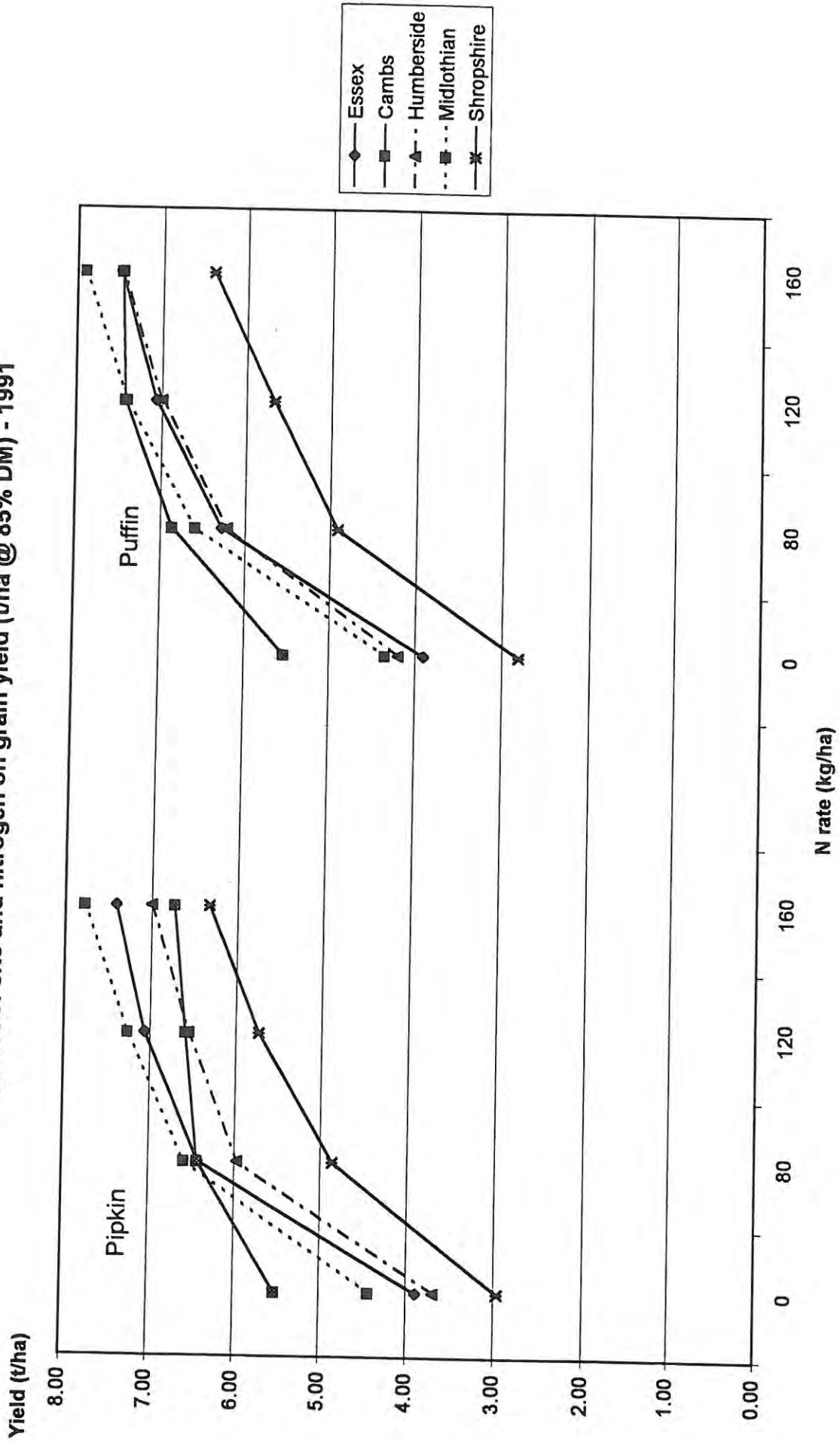
N/PGR treatment	H <sub>2</sub> O (%)	HWE2 (log-g-1)	HWE7 (log-g-1)	C/F (log-g-1)	Colour (EBC)	TSN (%)	TN (%)	SNR (%)	FAN (mg l <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	Ferm (%)	Visc (mPa)	Friab (%)
Little Oakley, Essex													
80/Nil	4.7	317	312	5	2	0.53	1.28	41	121	5.96	78	1.55	93
80/CCC	4.2	315	311	4	2.1	0.6	1.39	43	138	5.9	78	1.57	90
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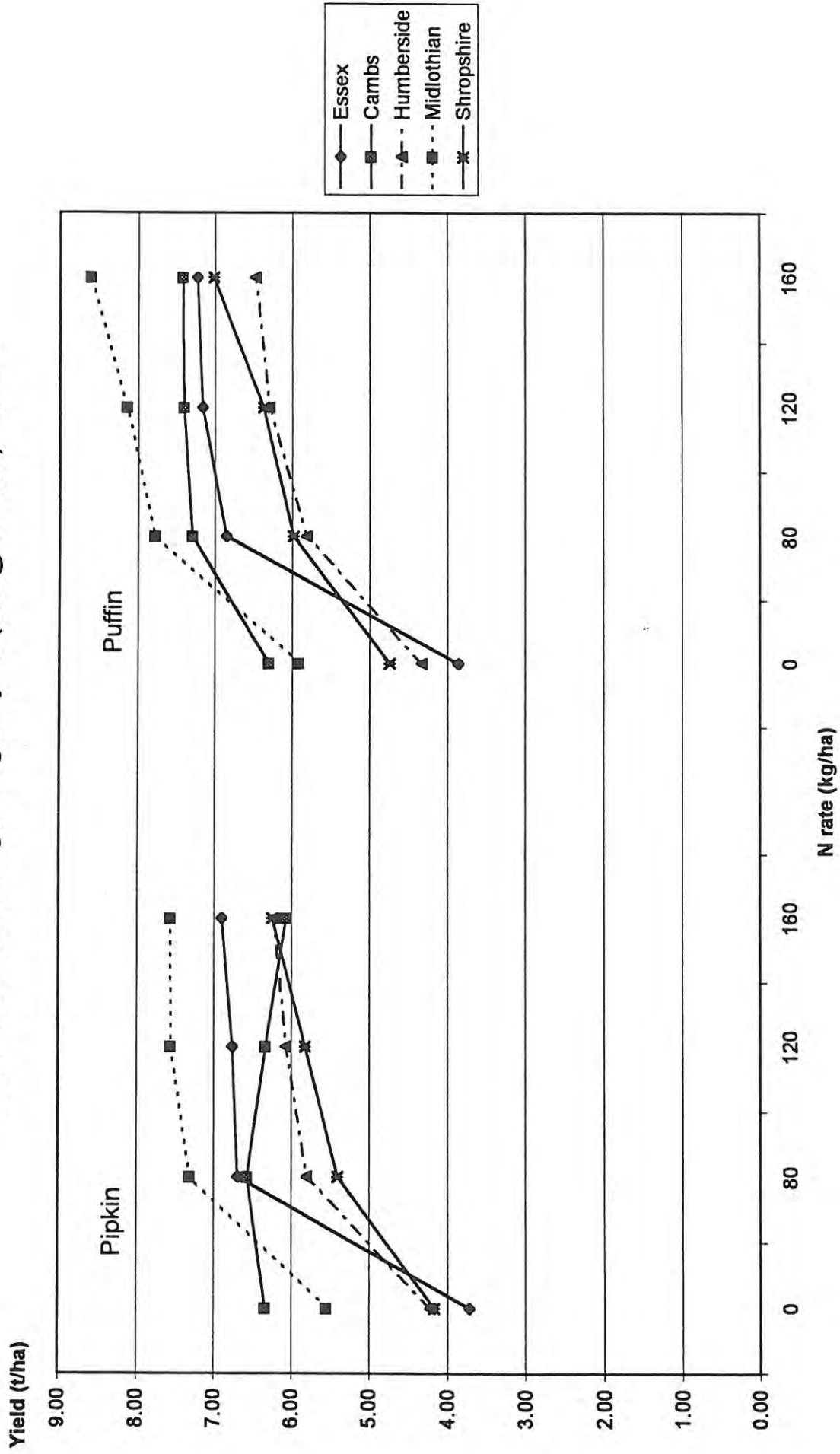
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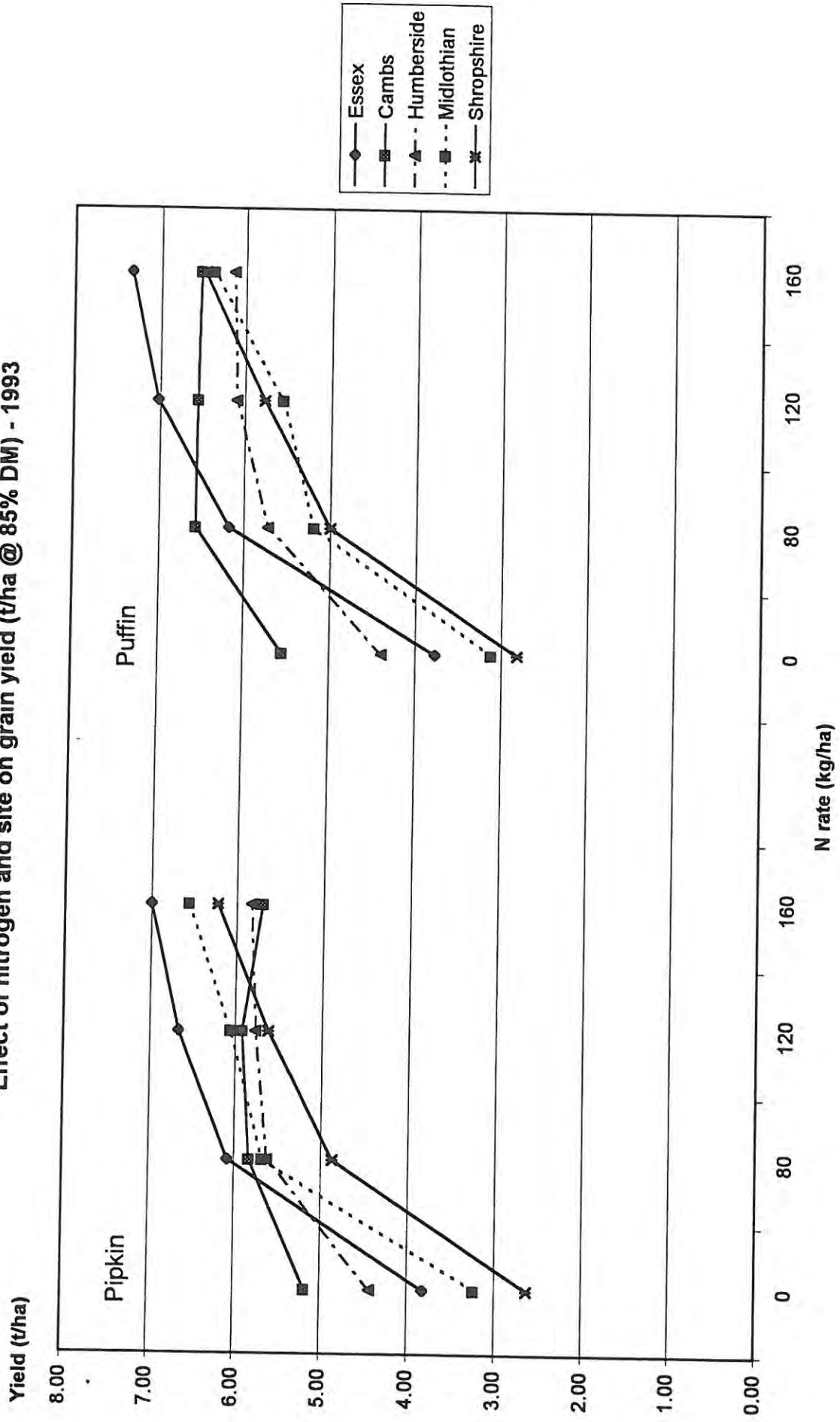
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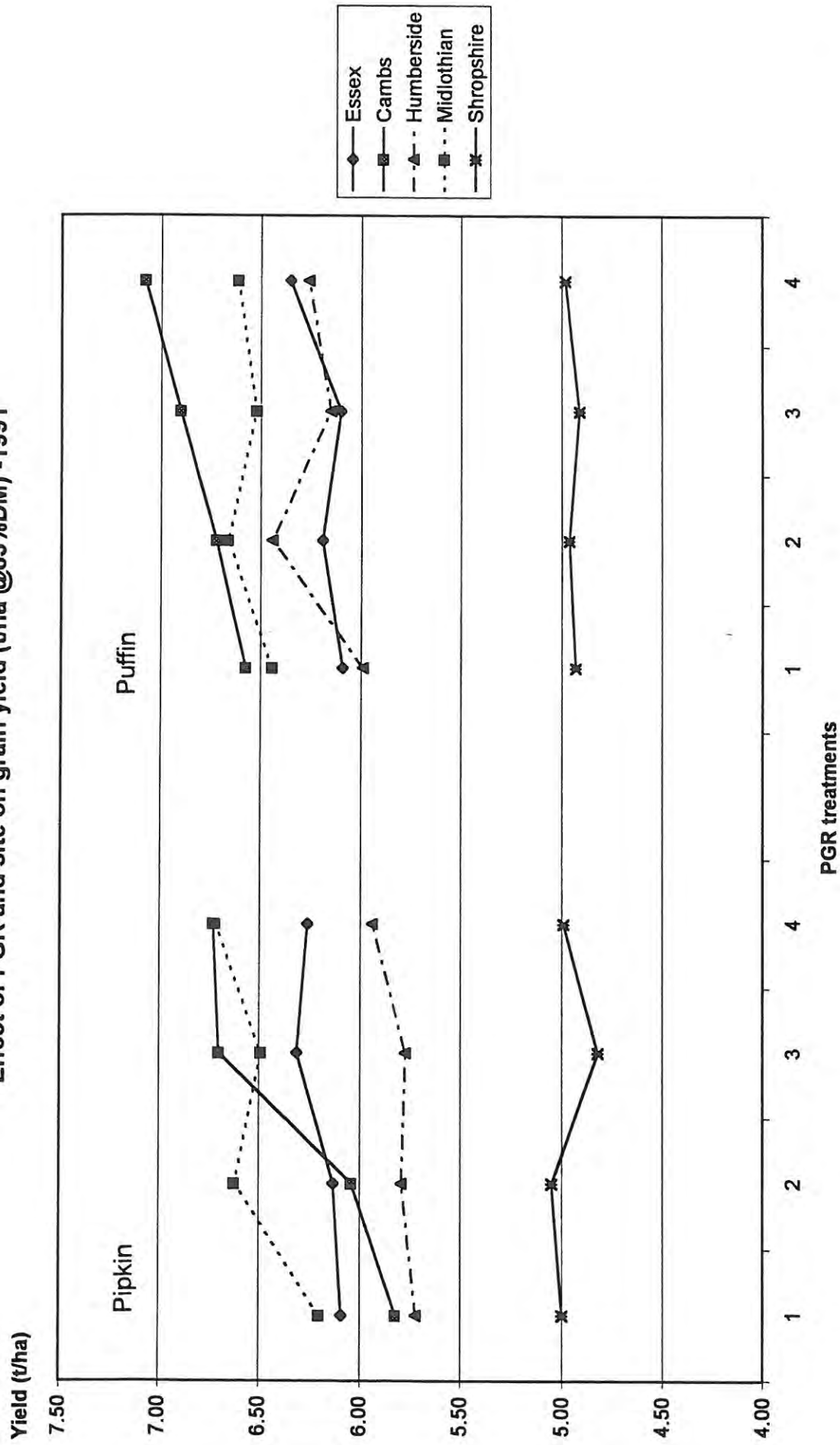


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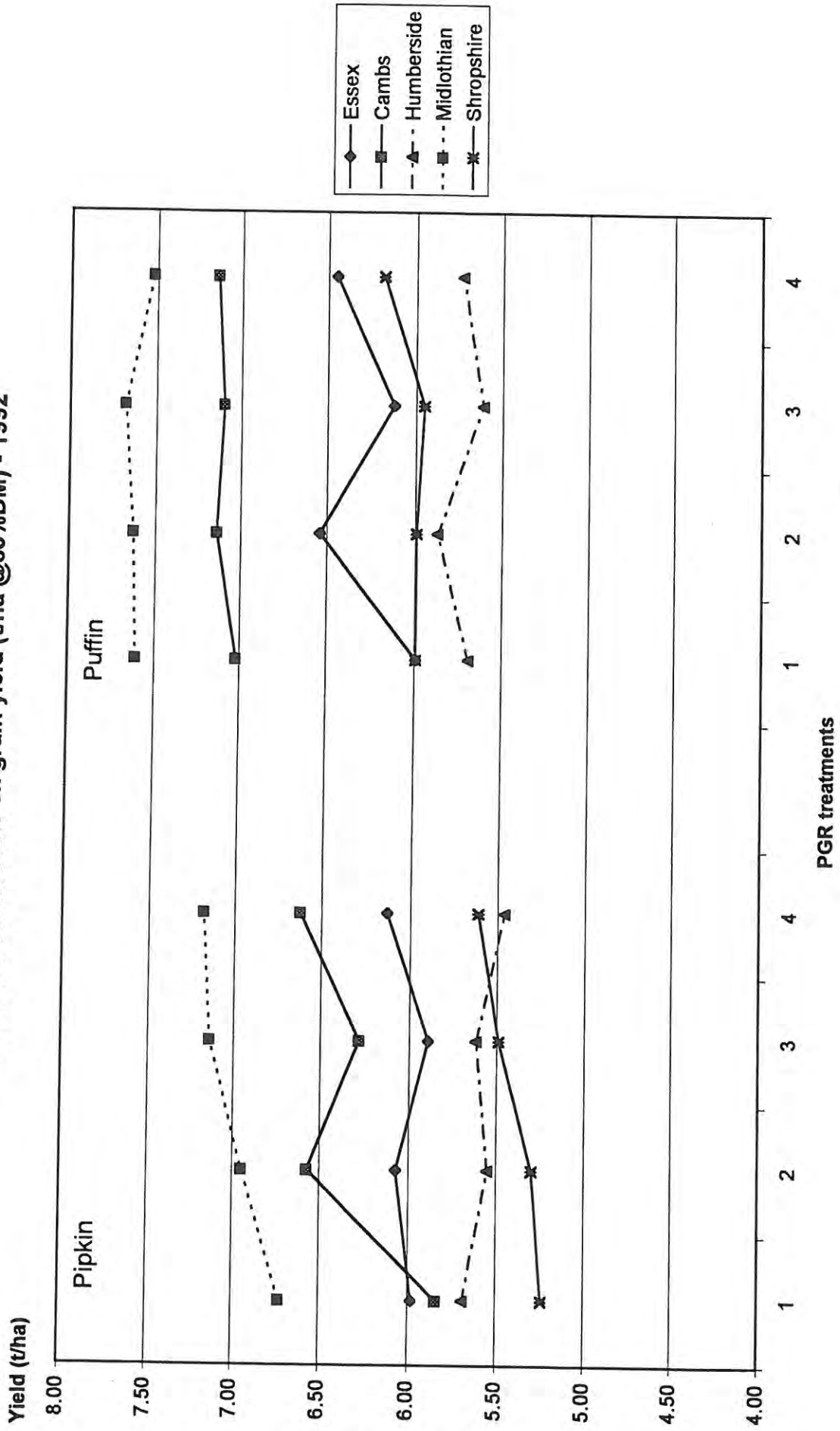




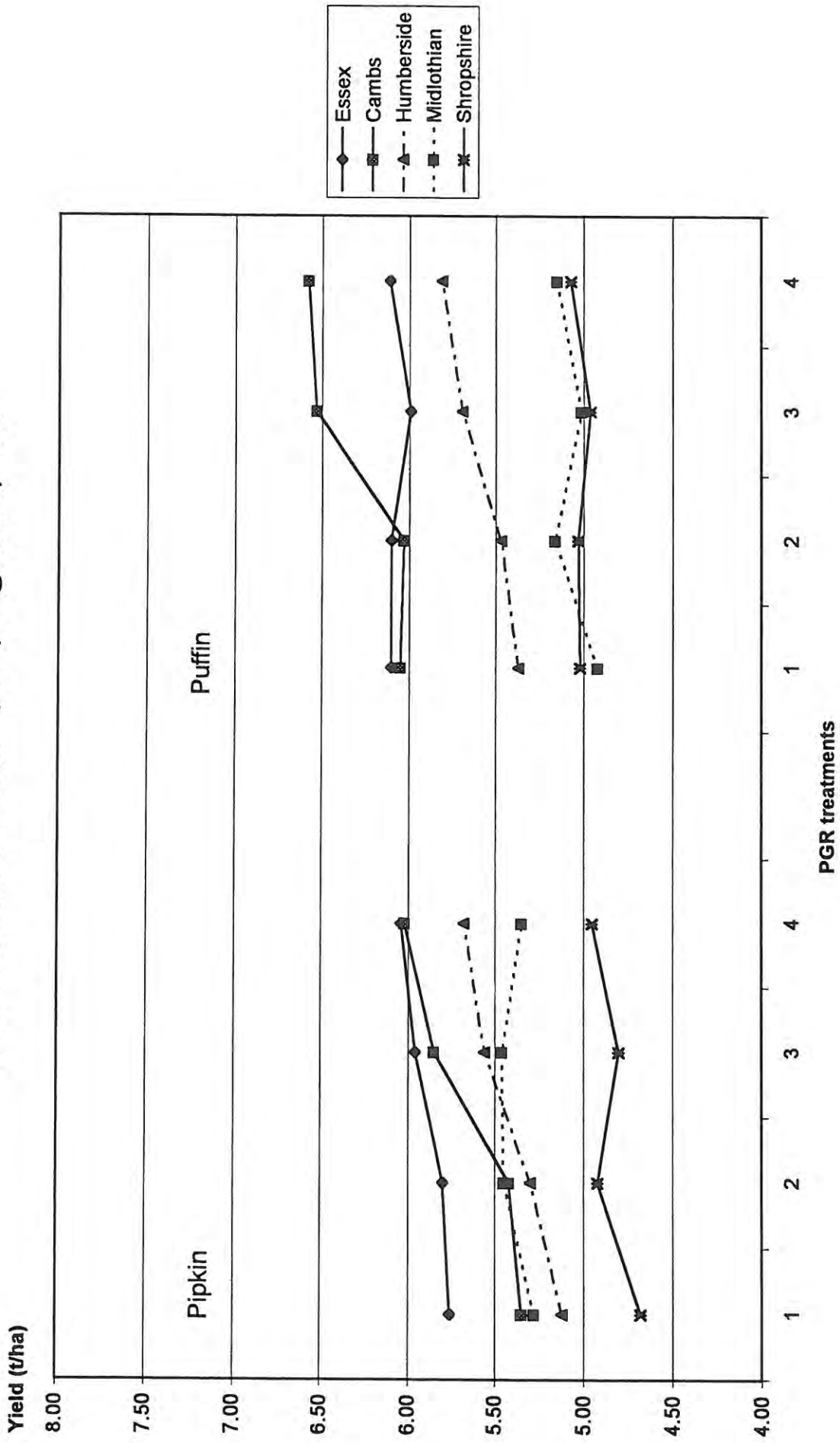
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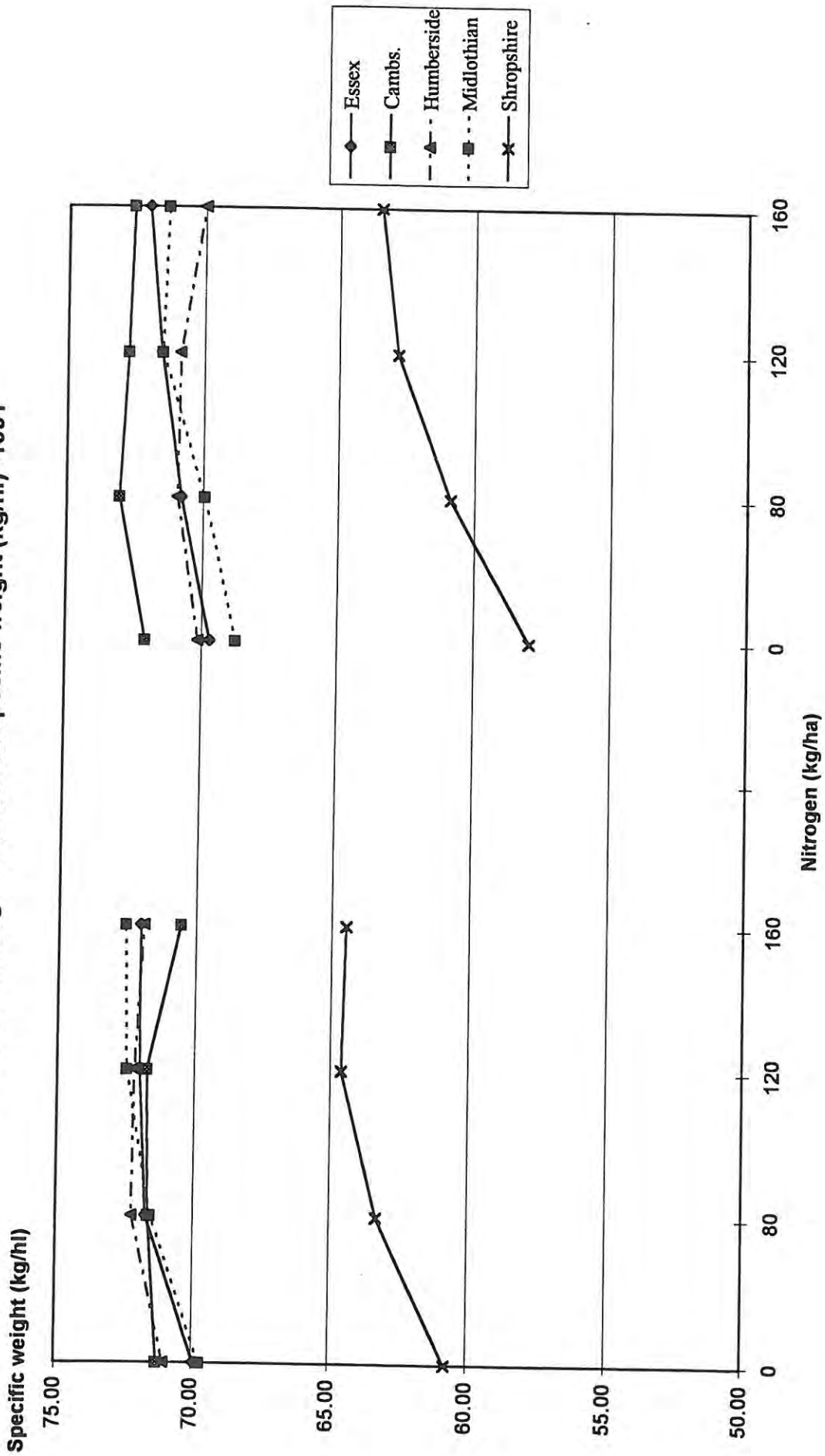
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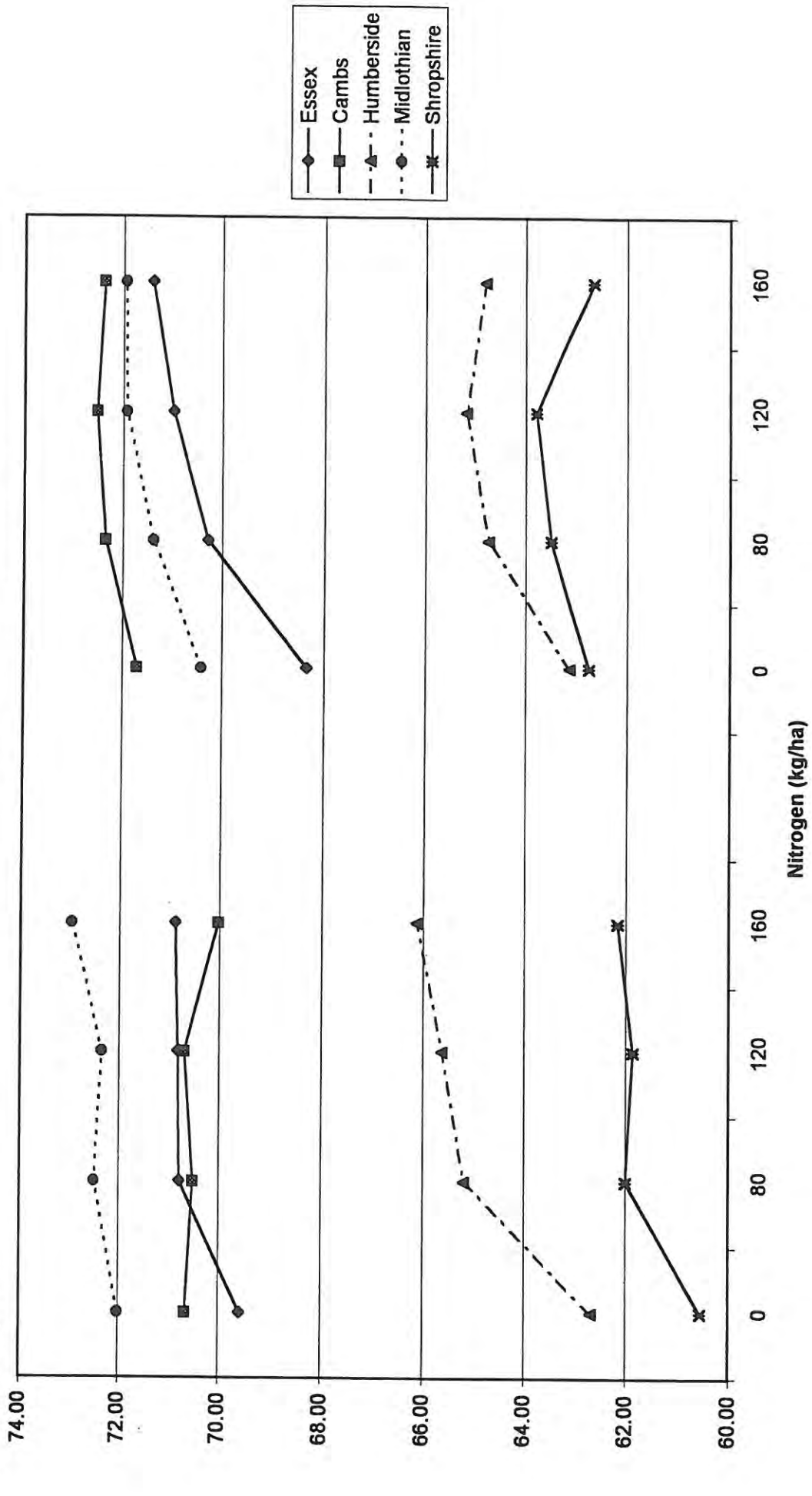
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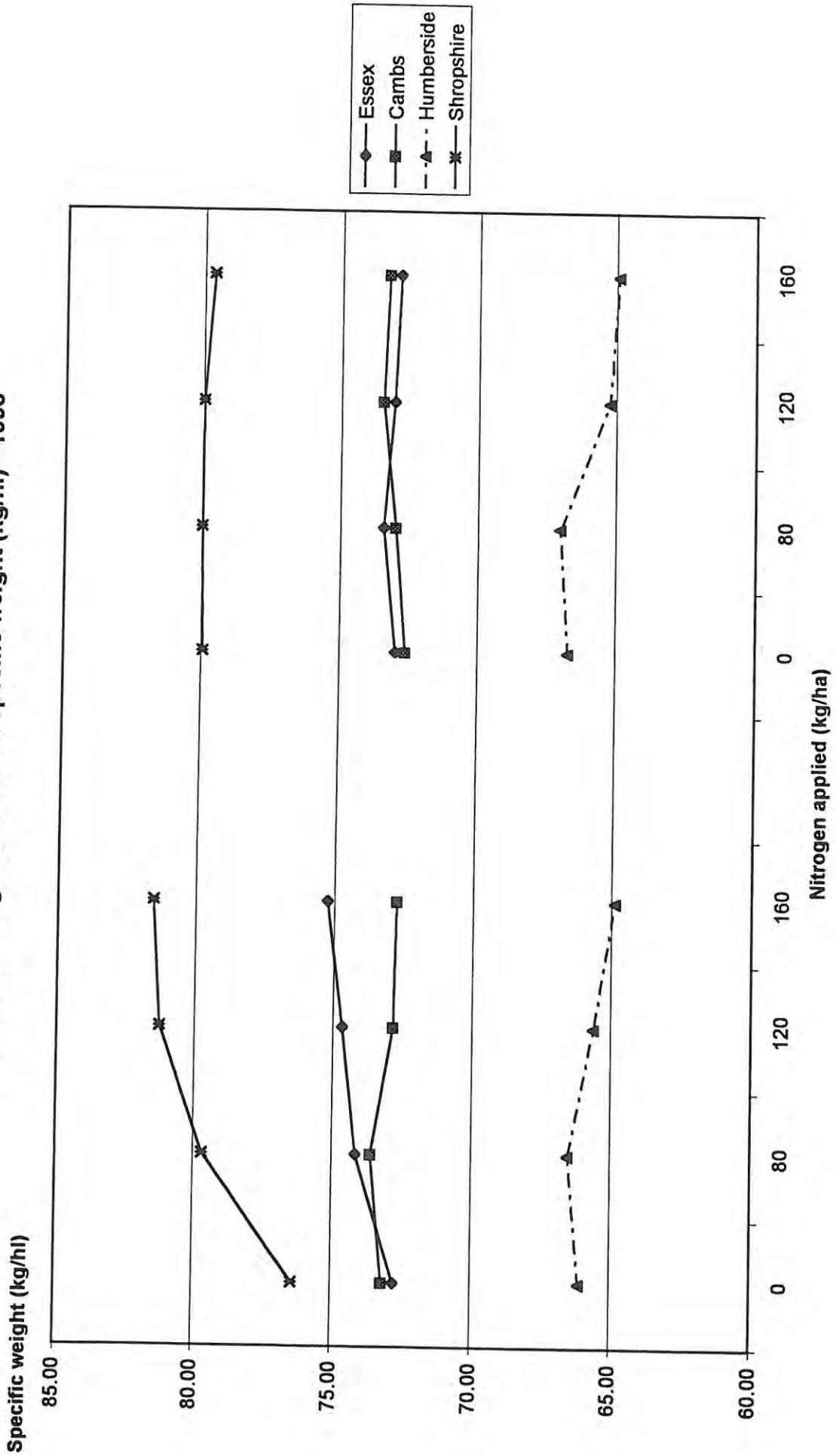
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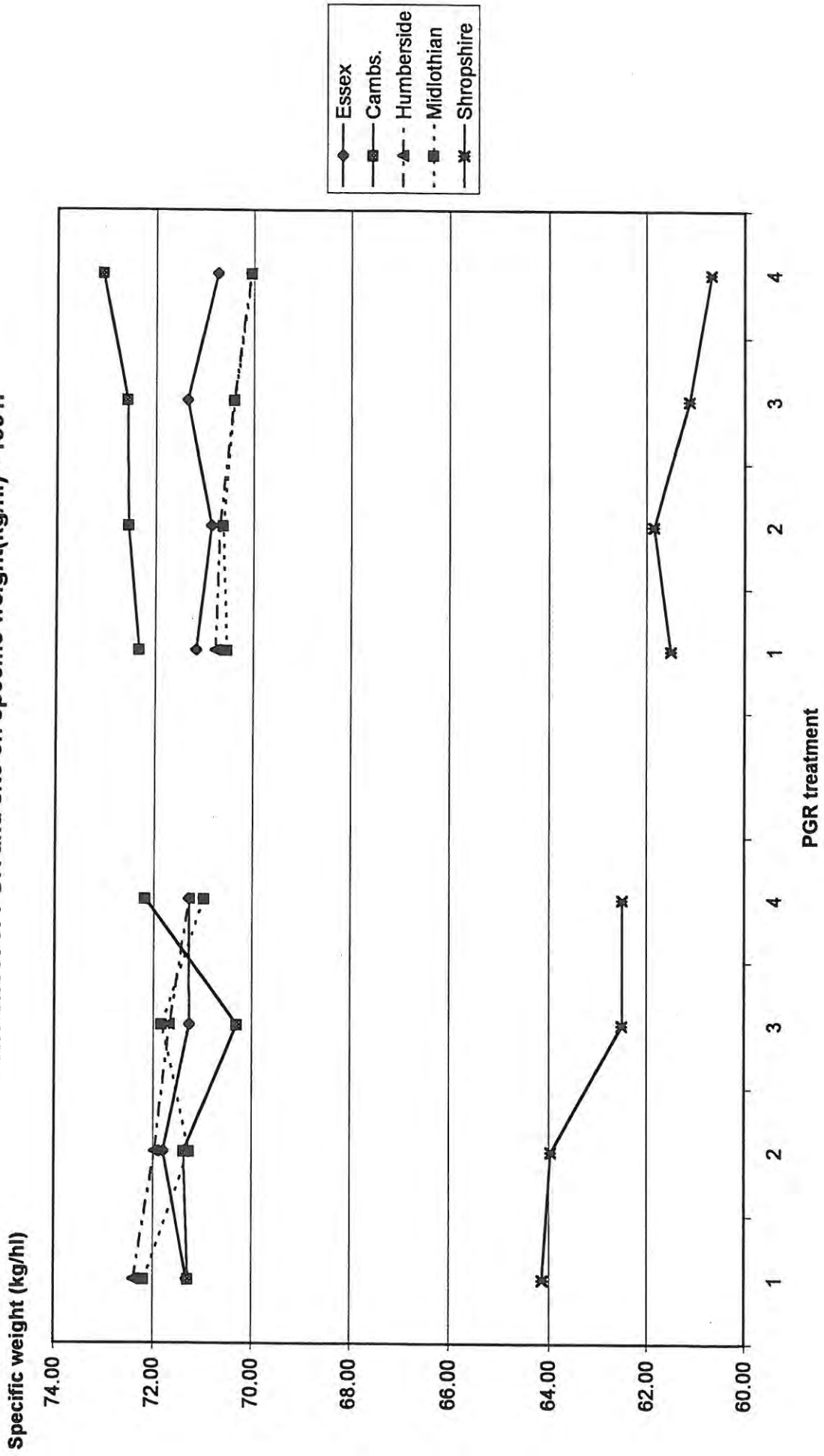
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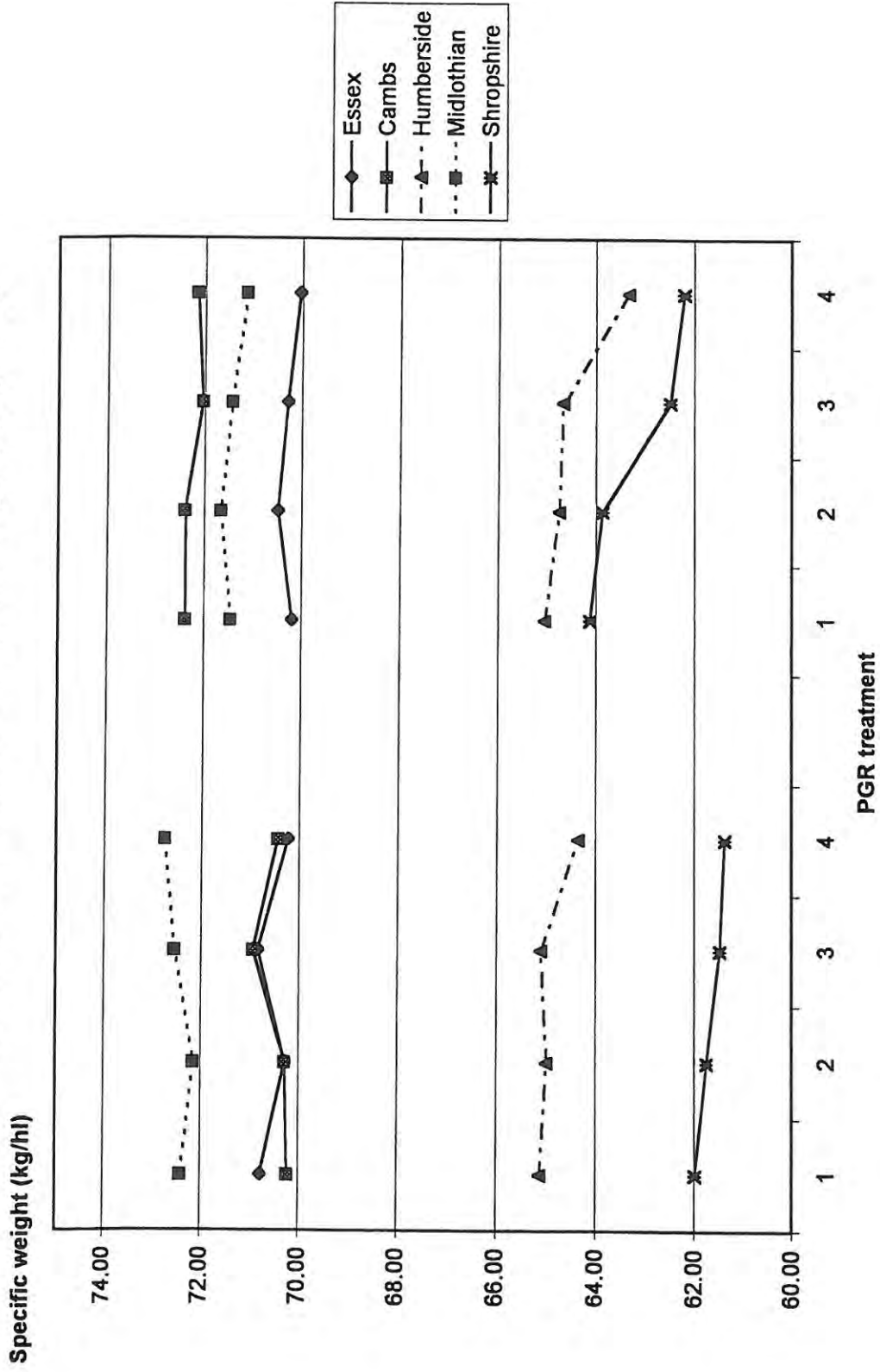
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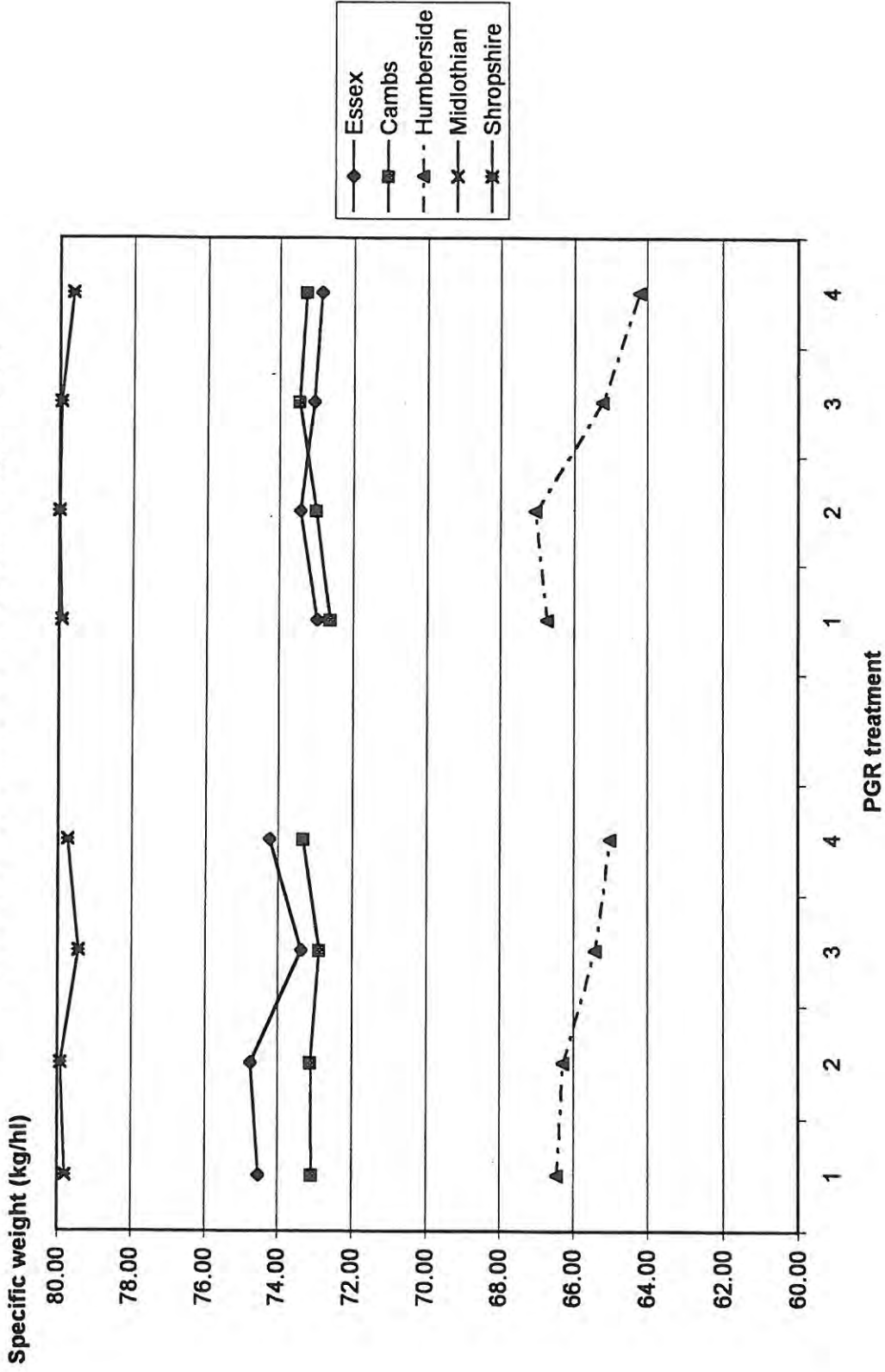


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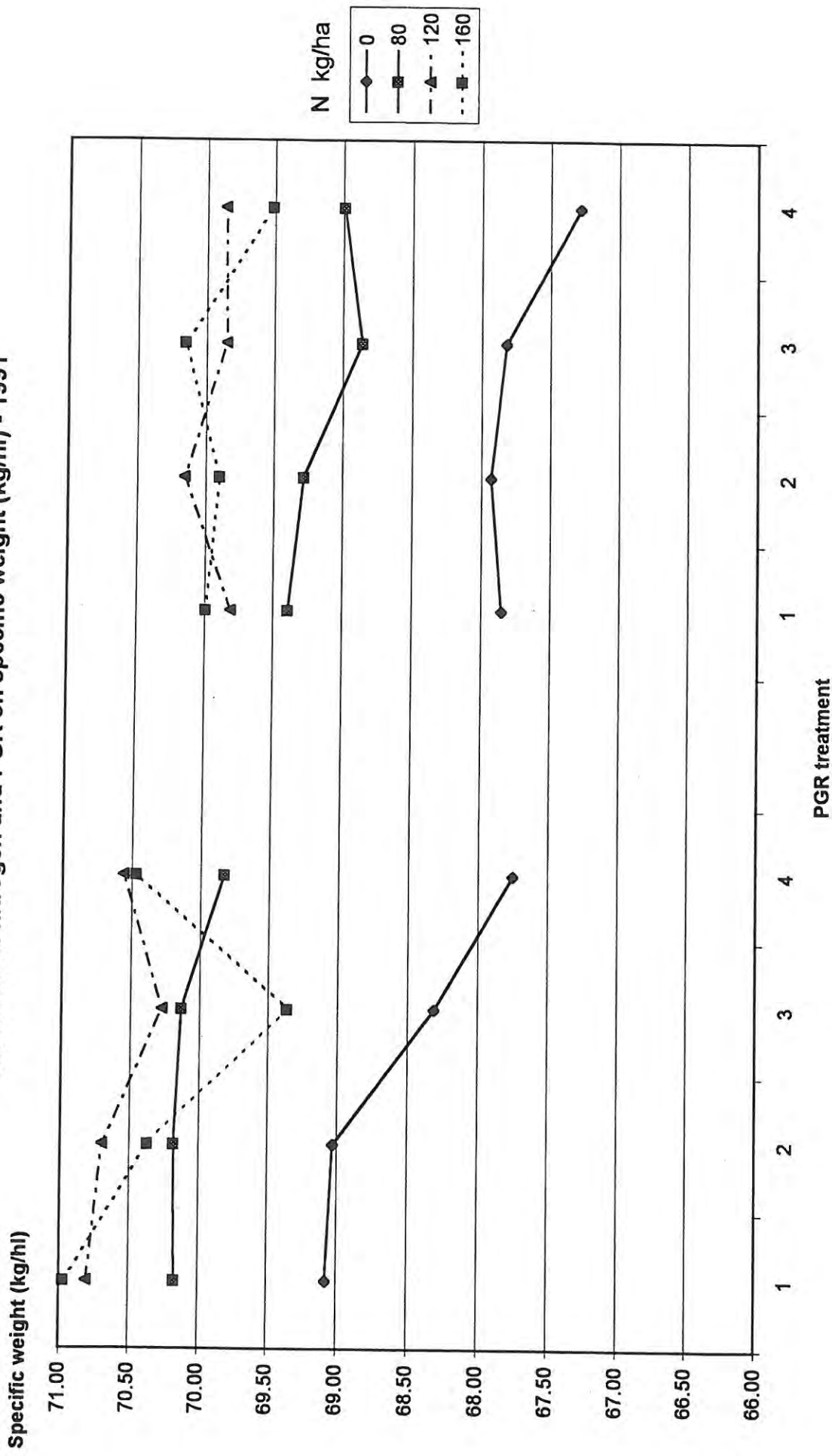




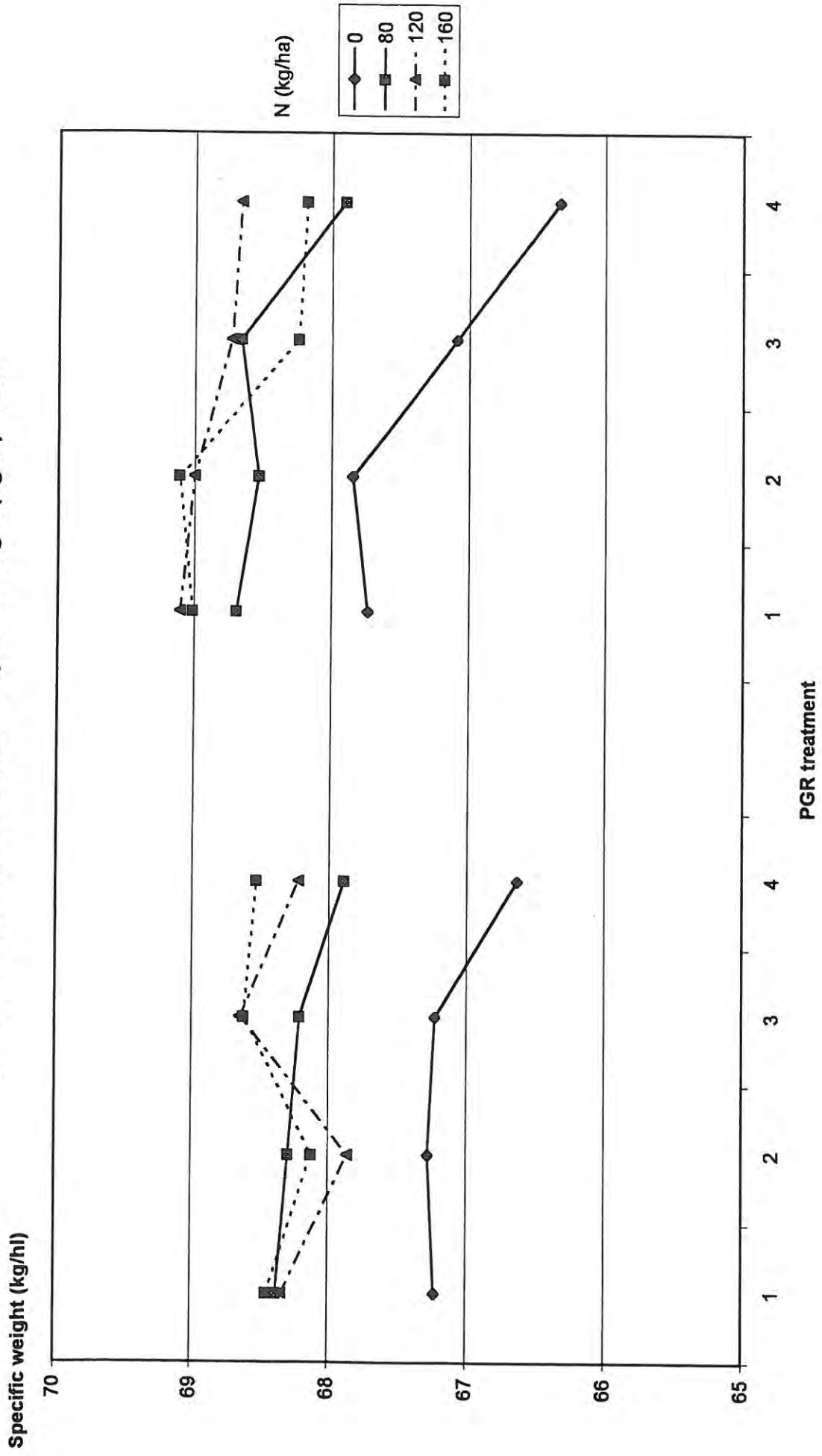
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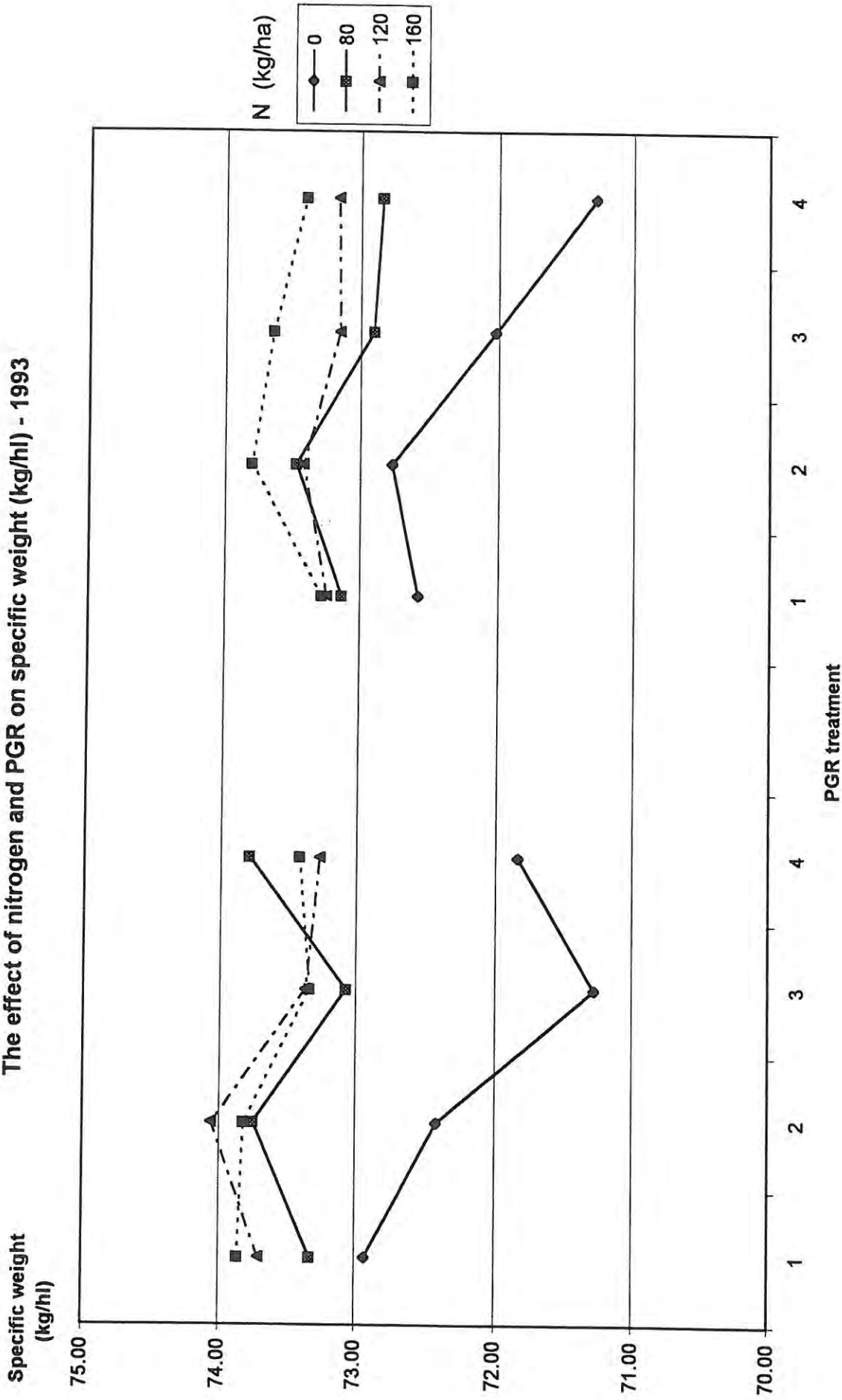
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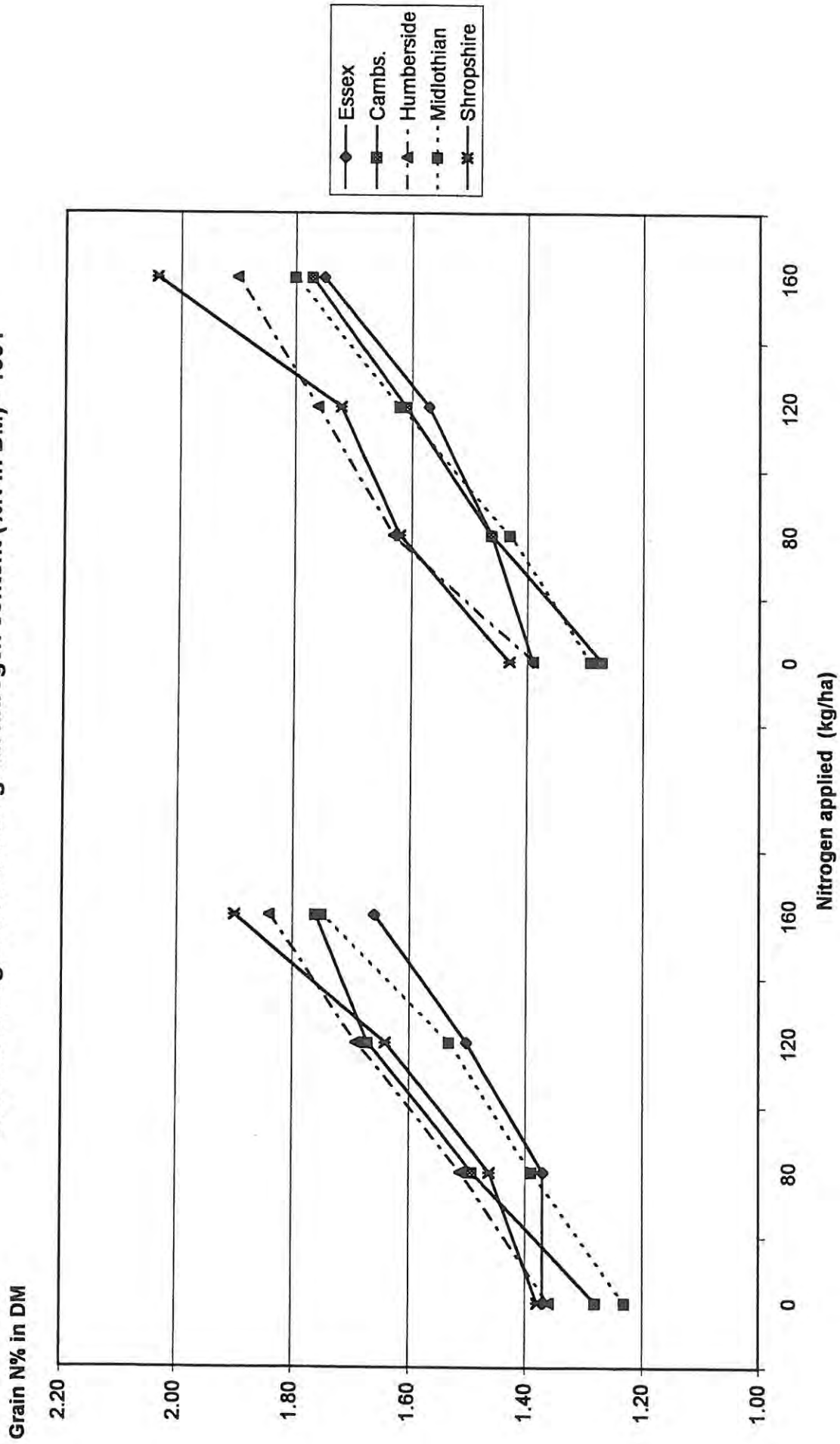
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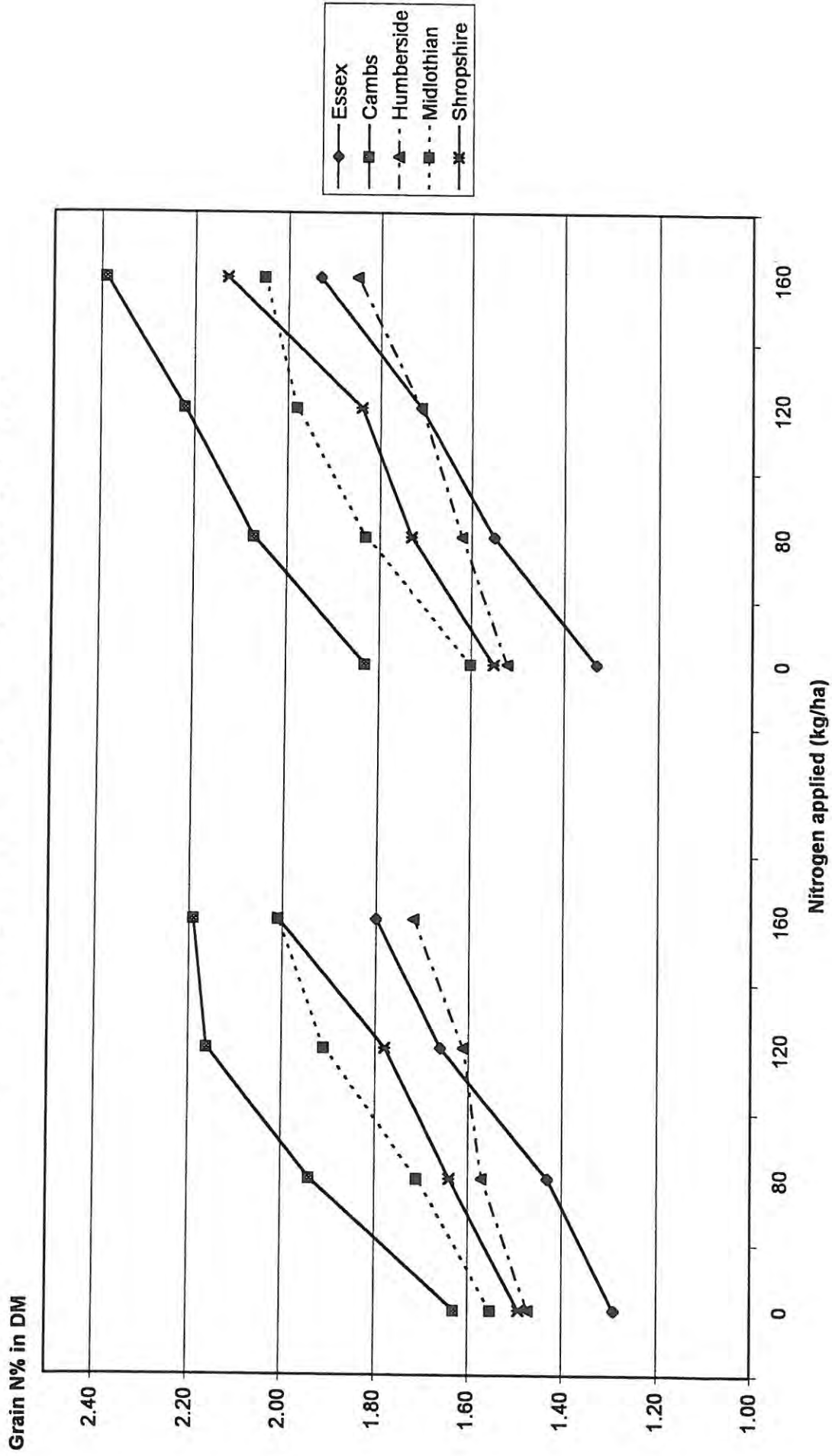
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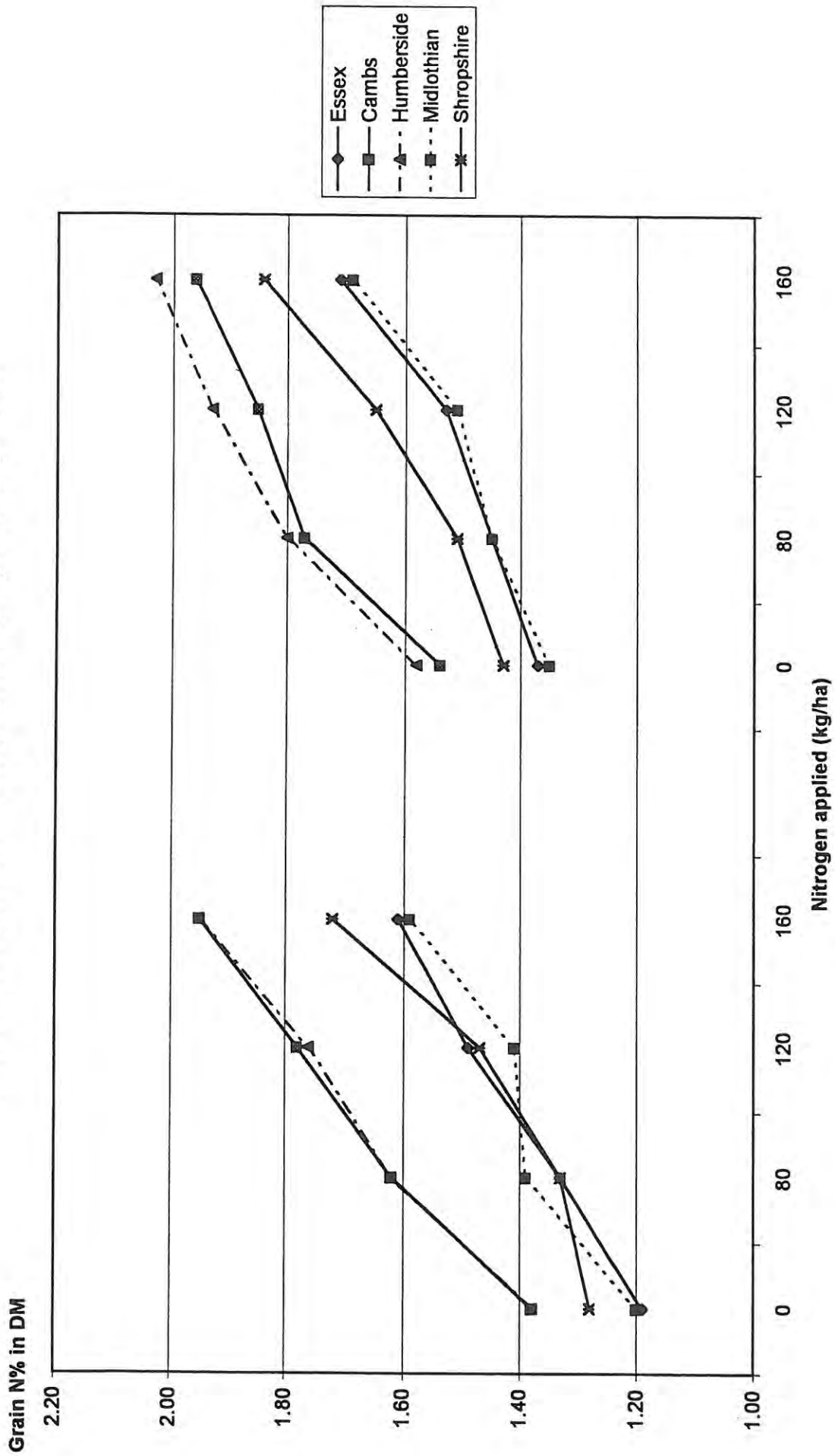
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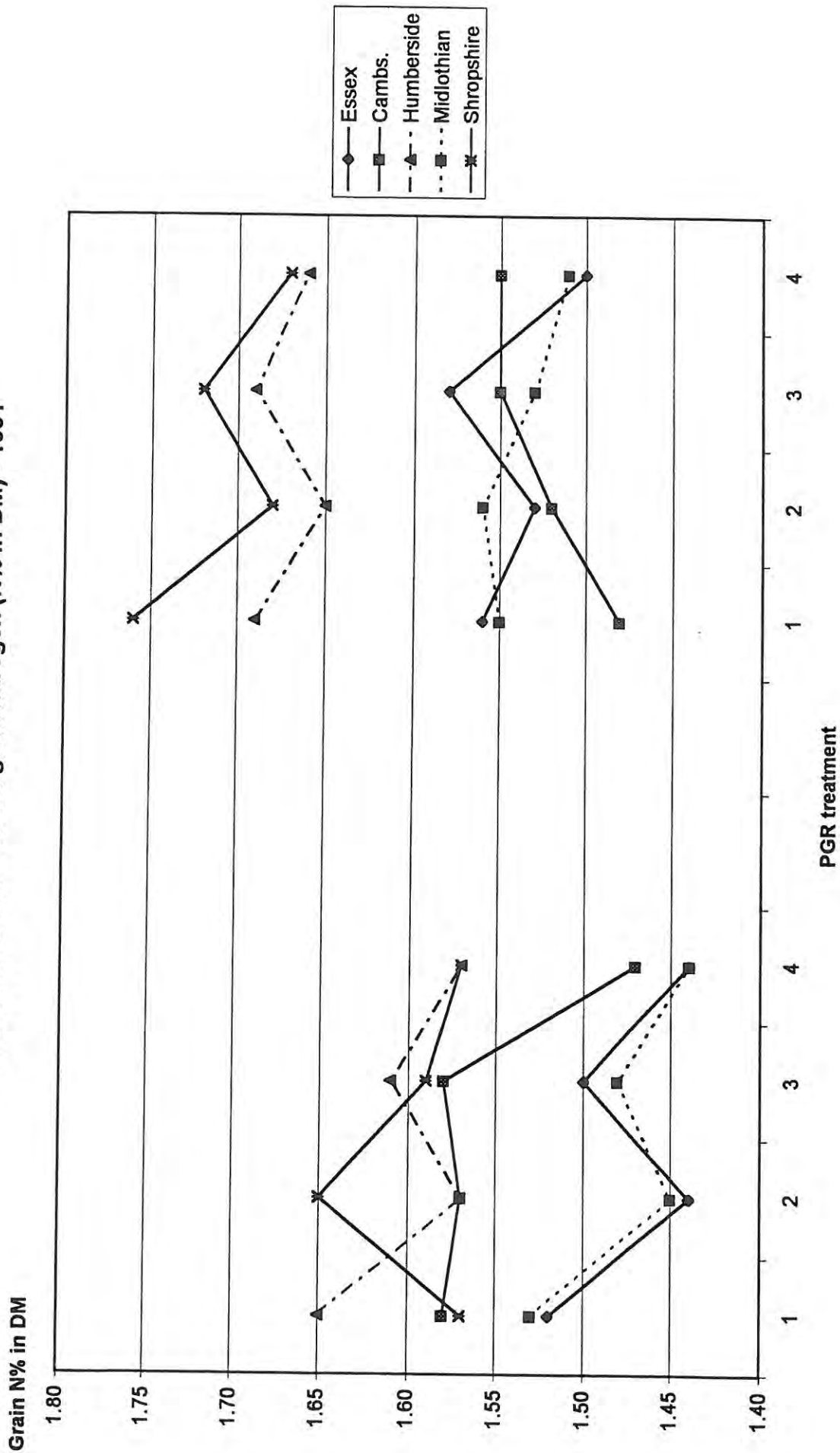
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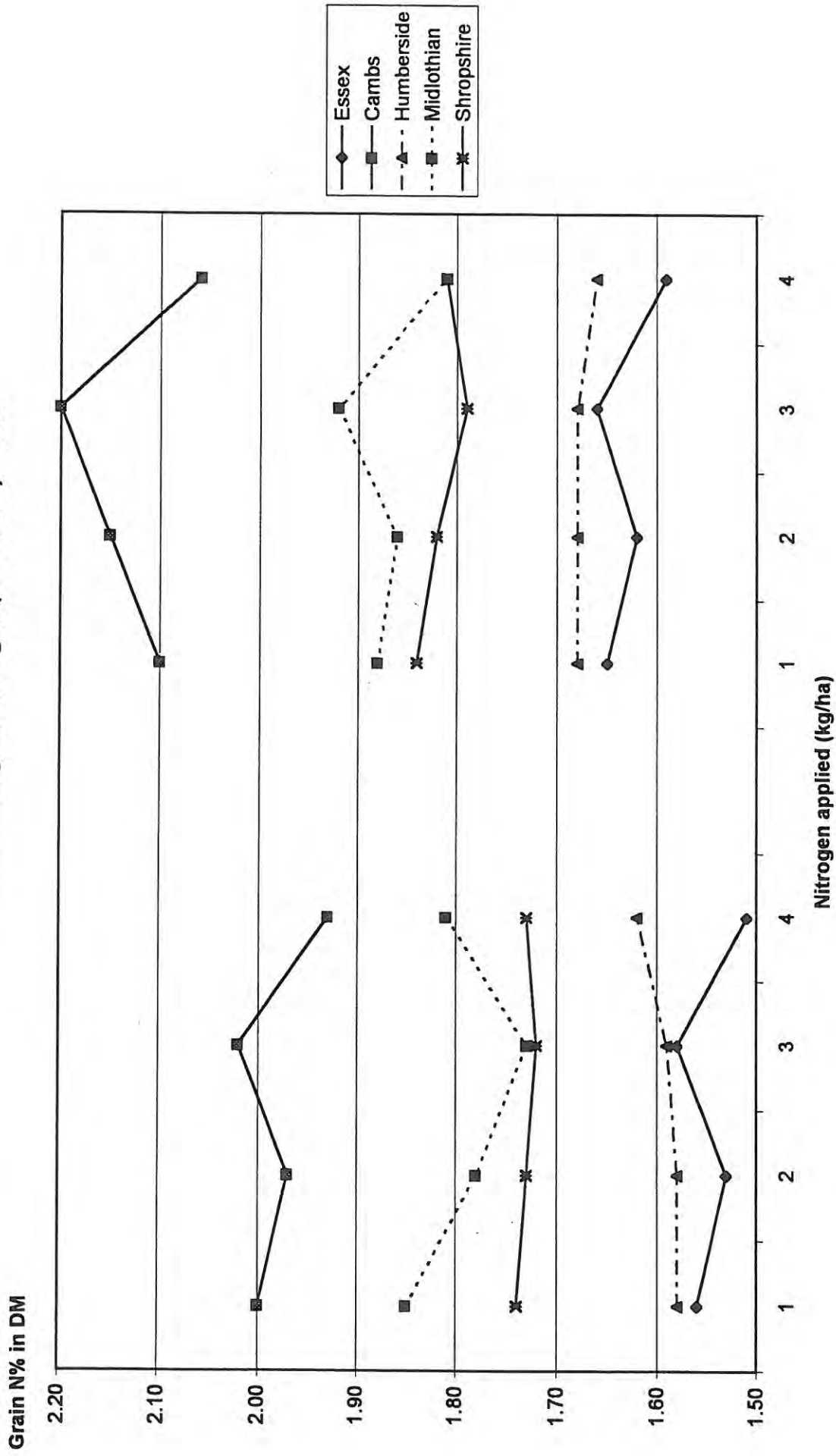


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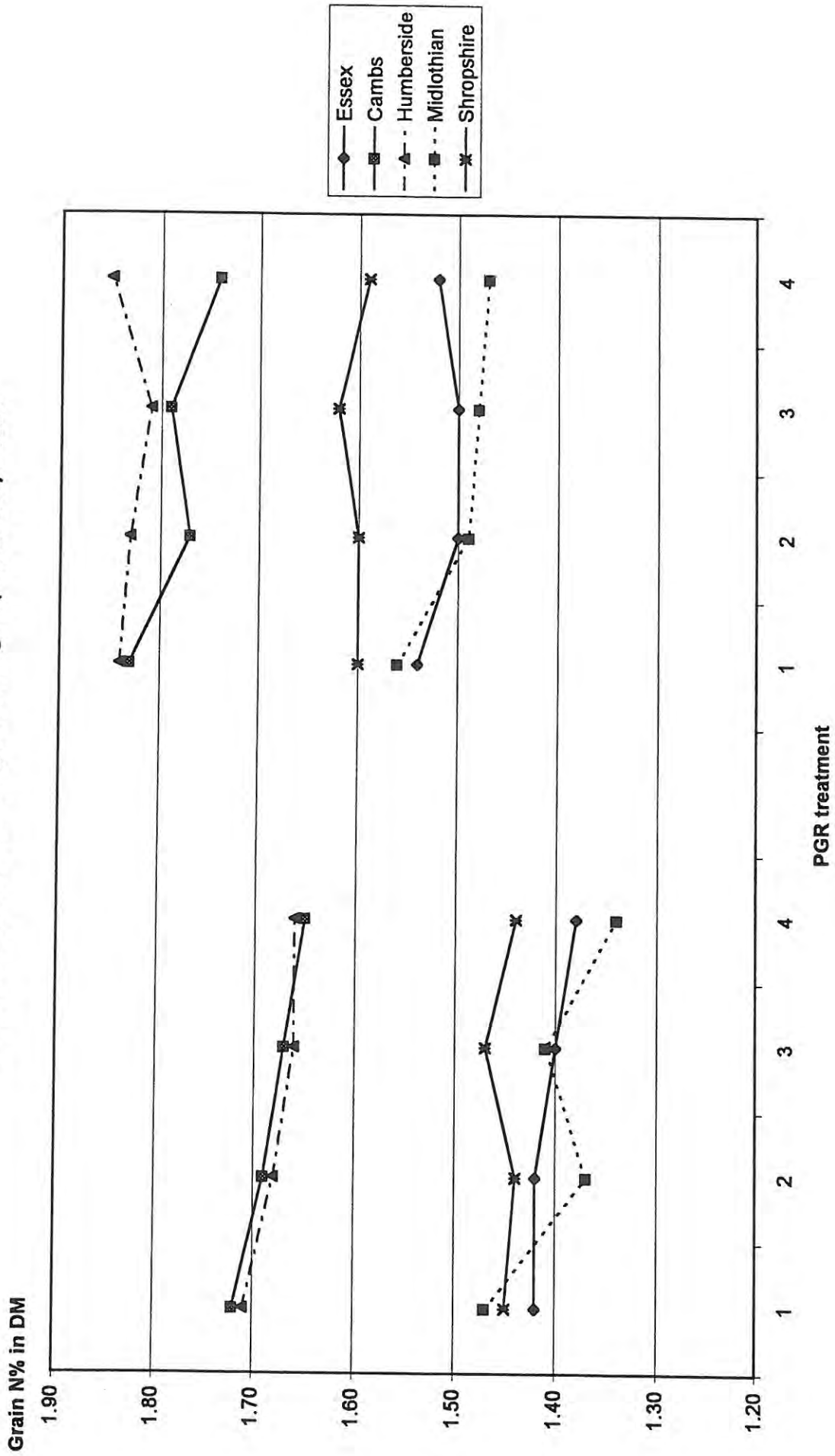




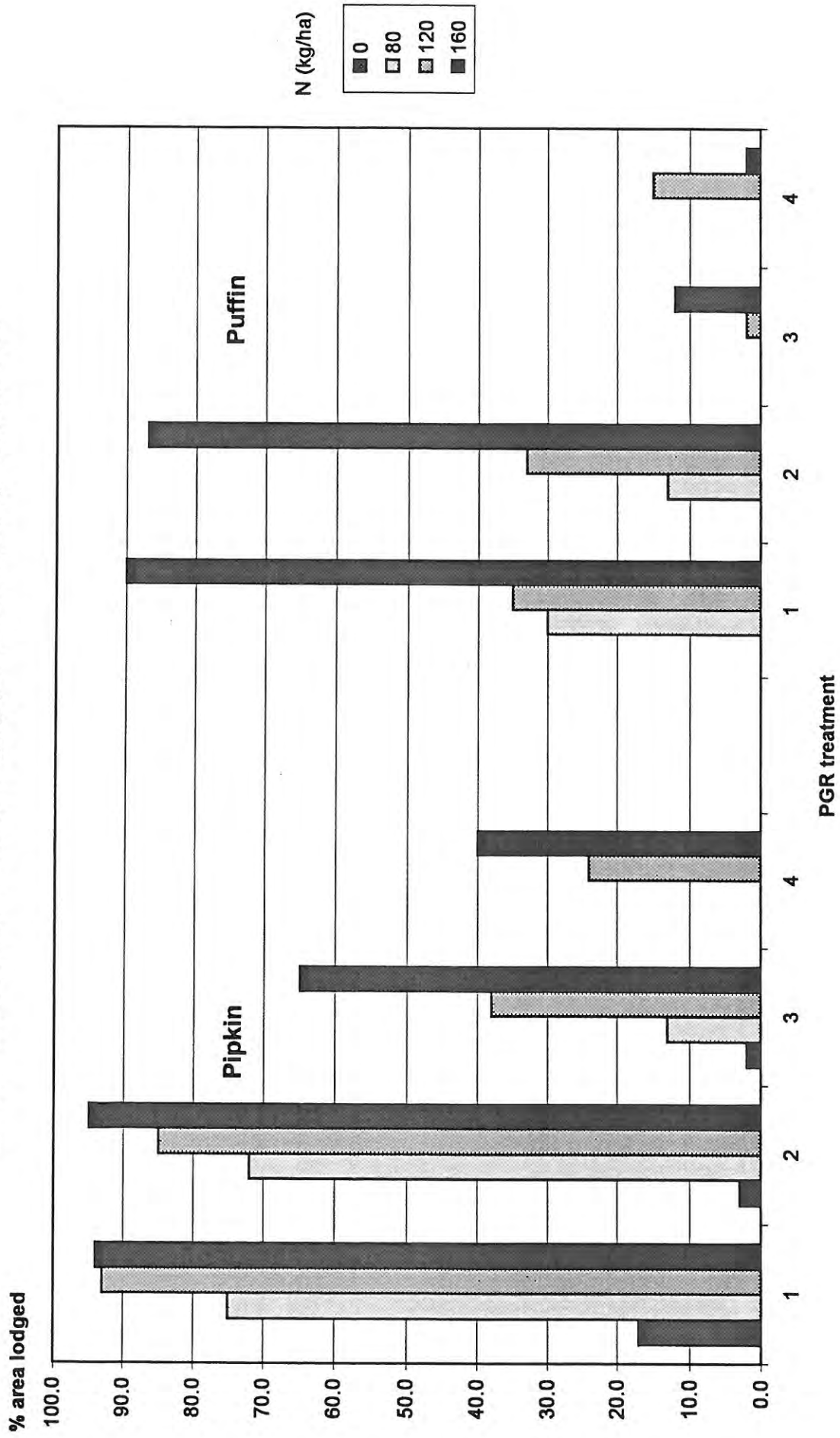
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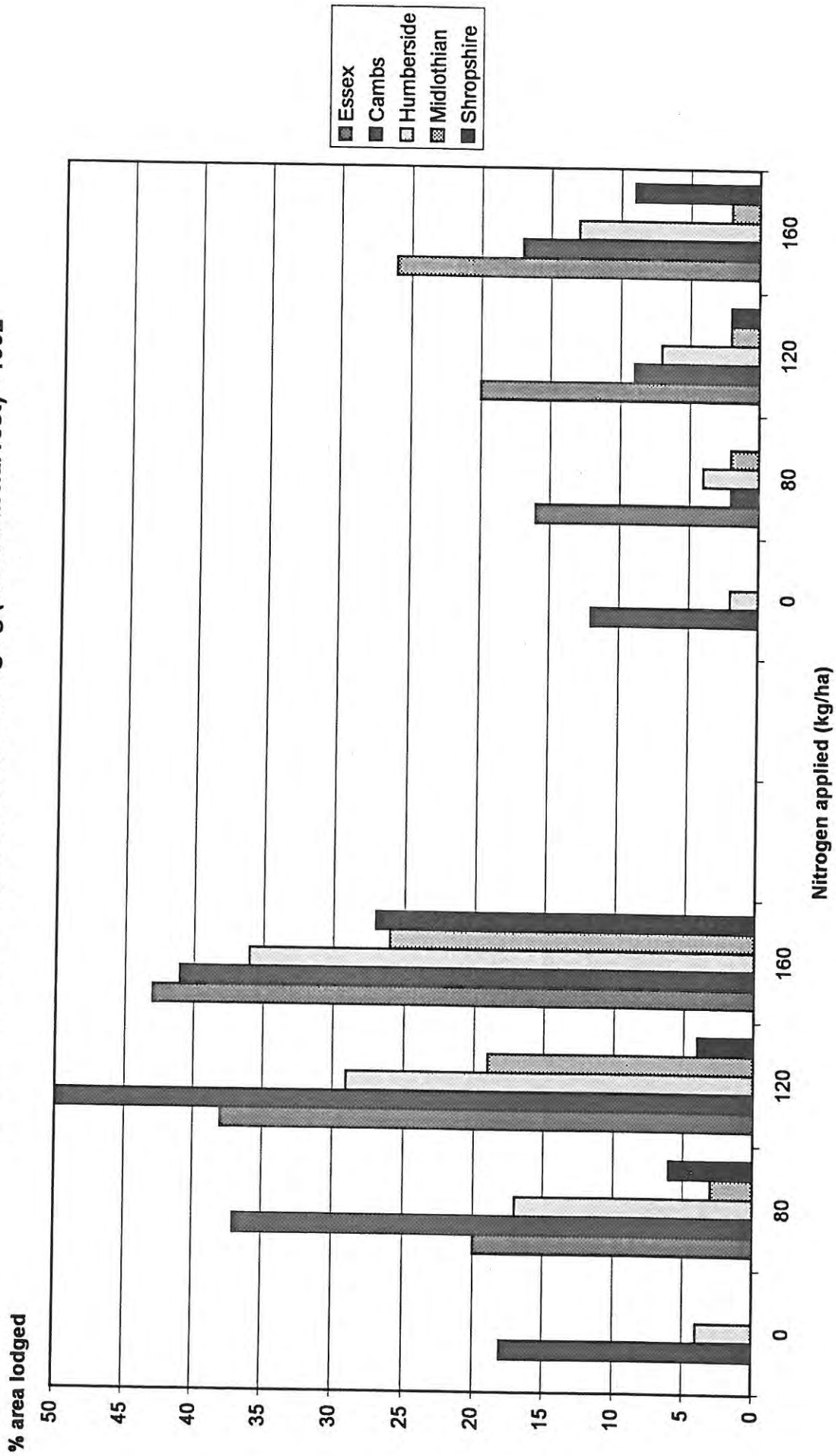
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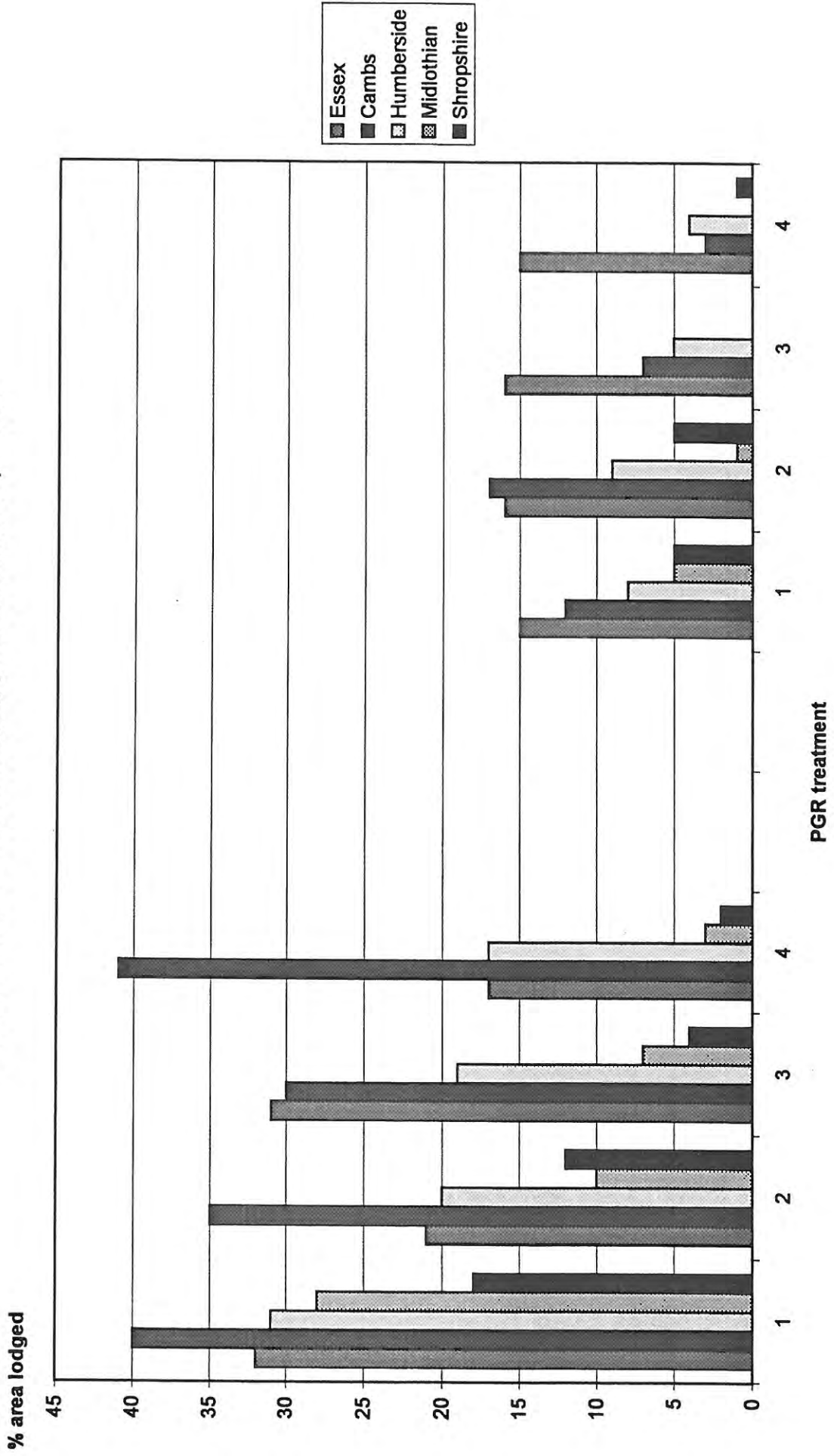
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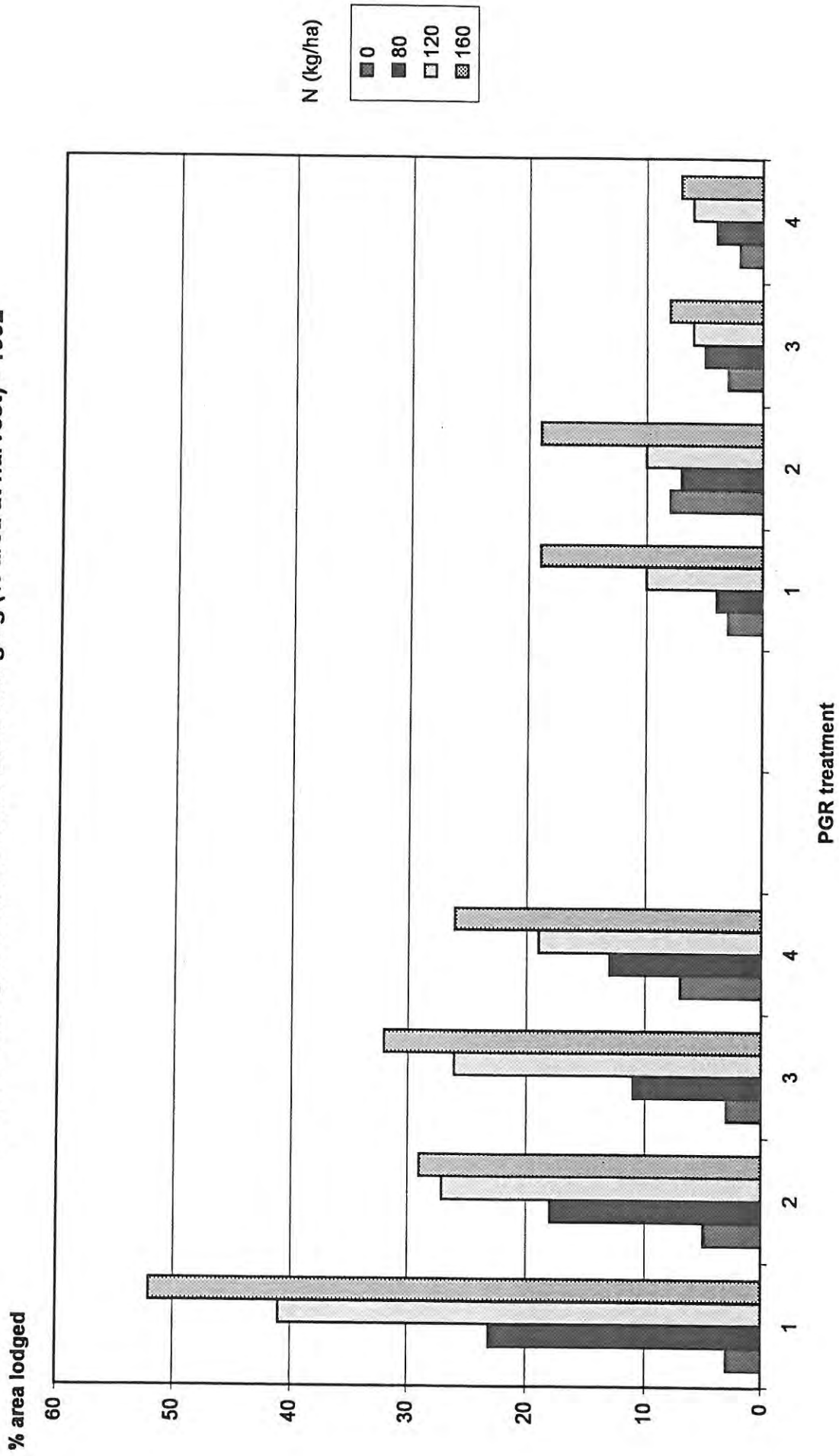
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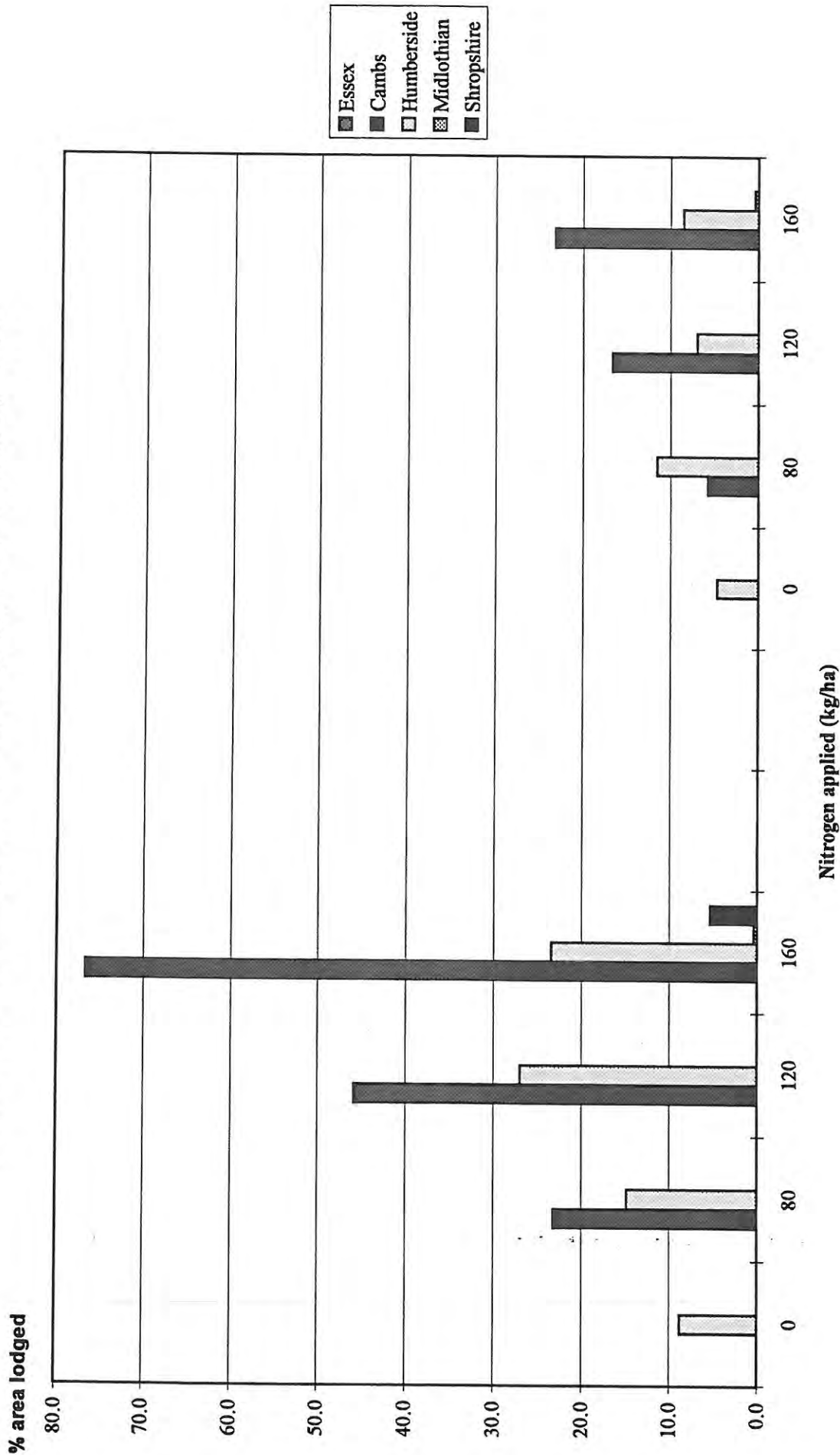
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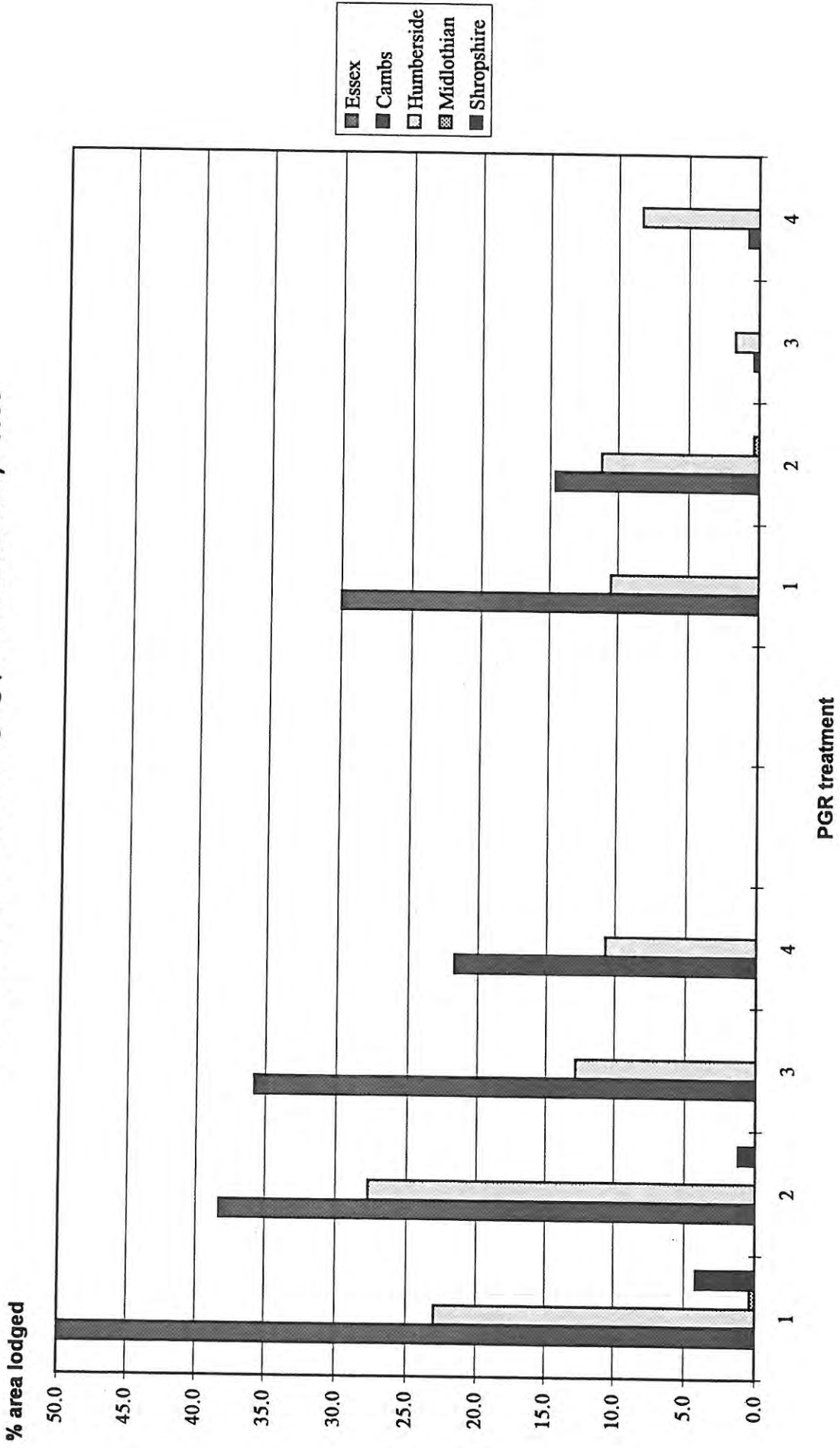
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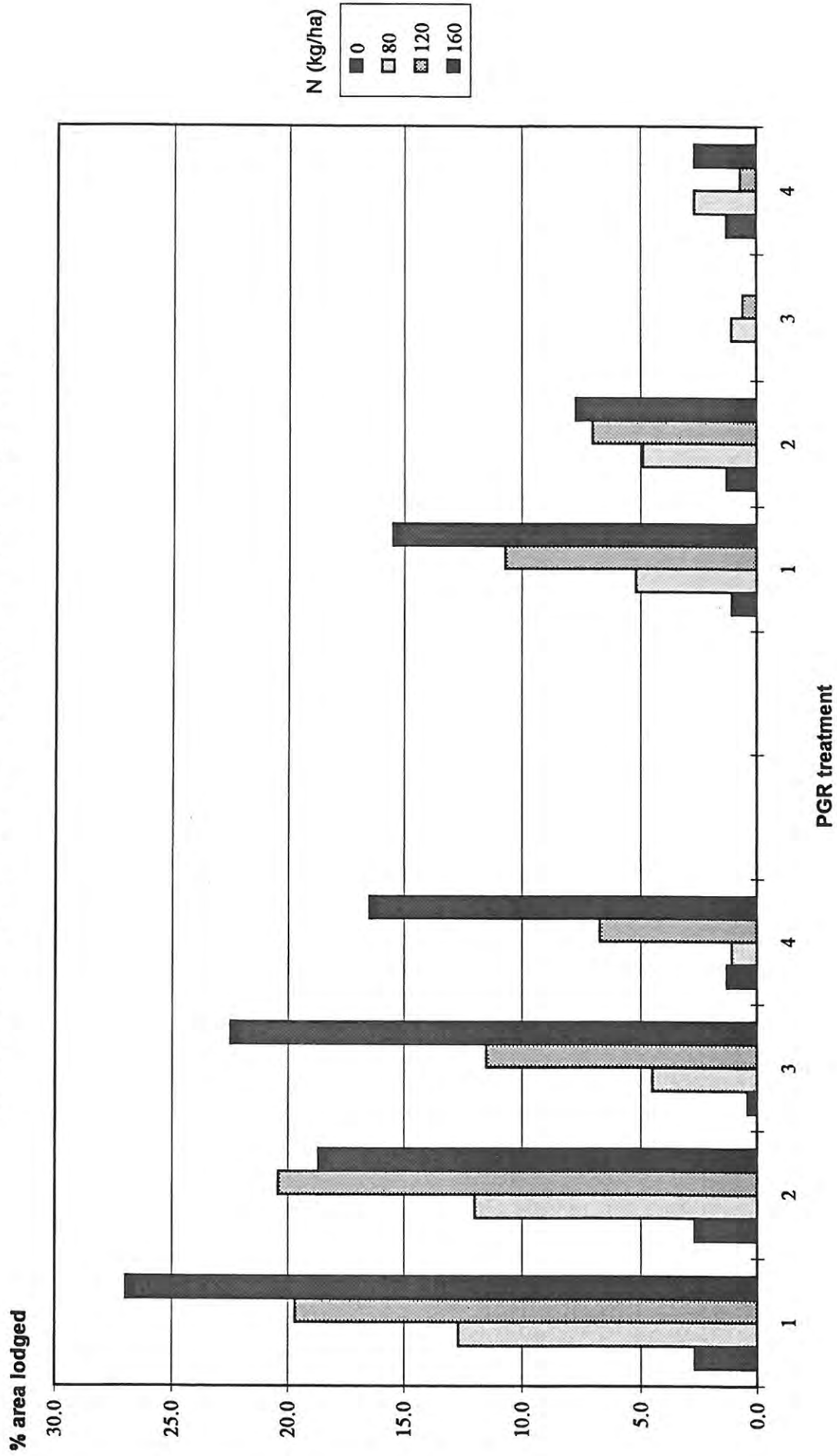


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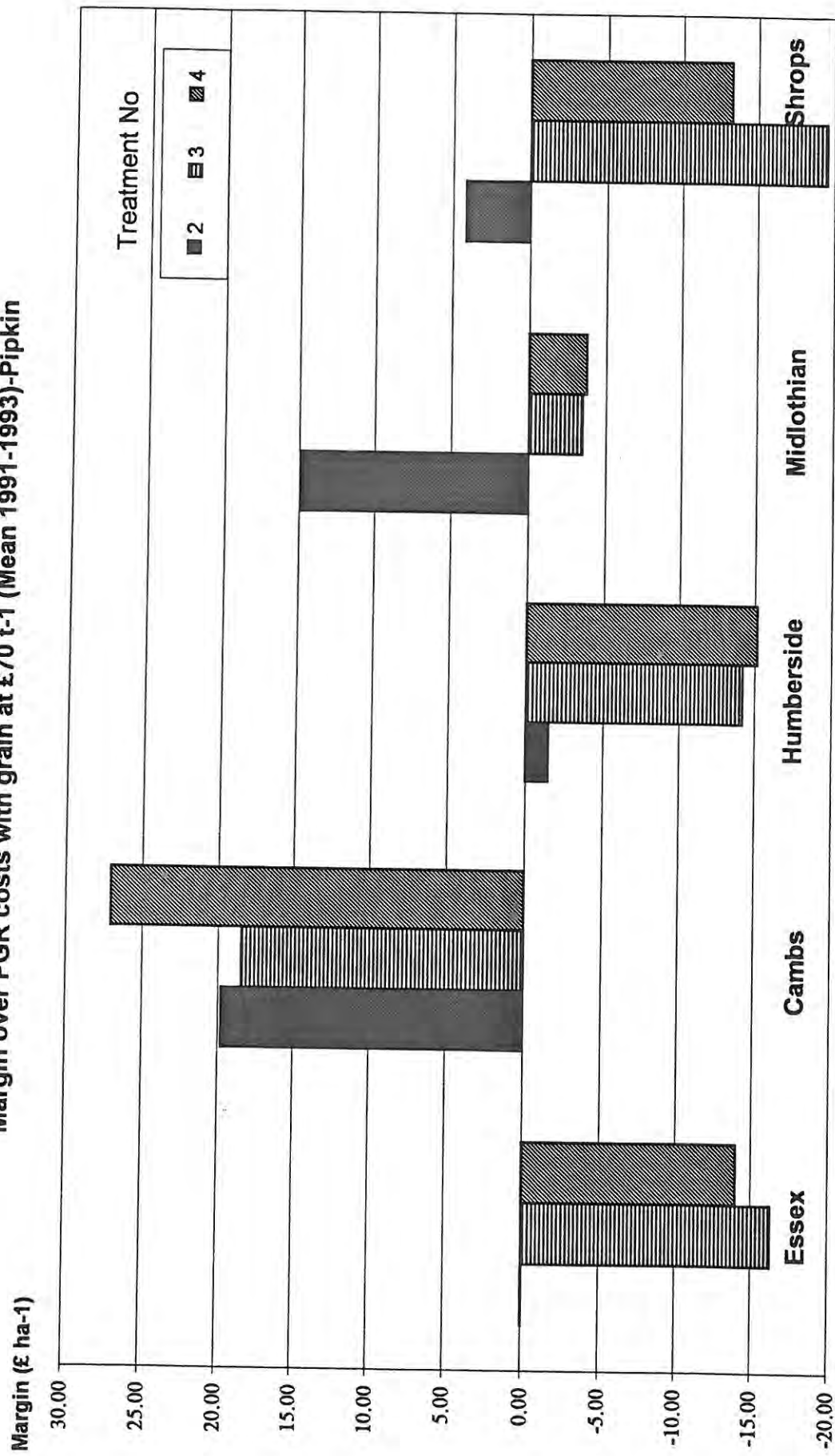




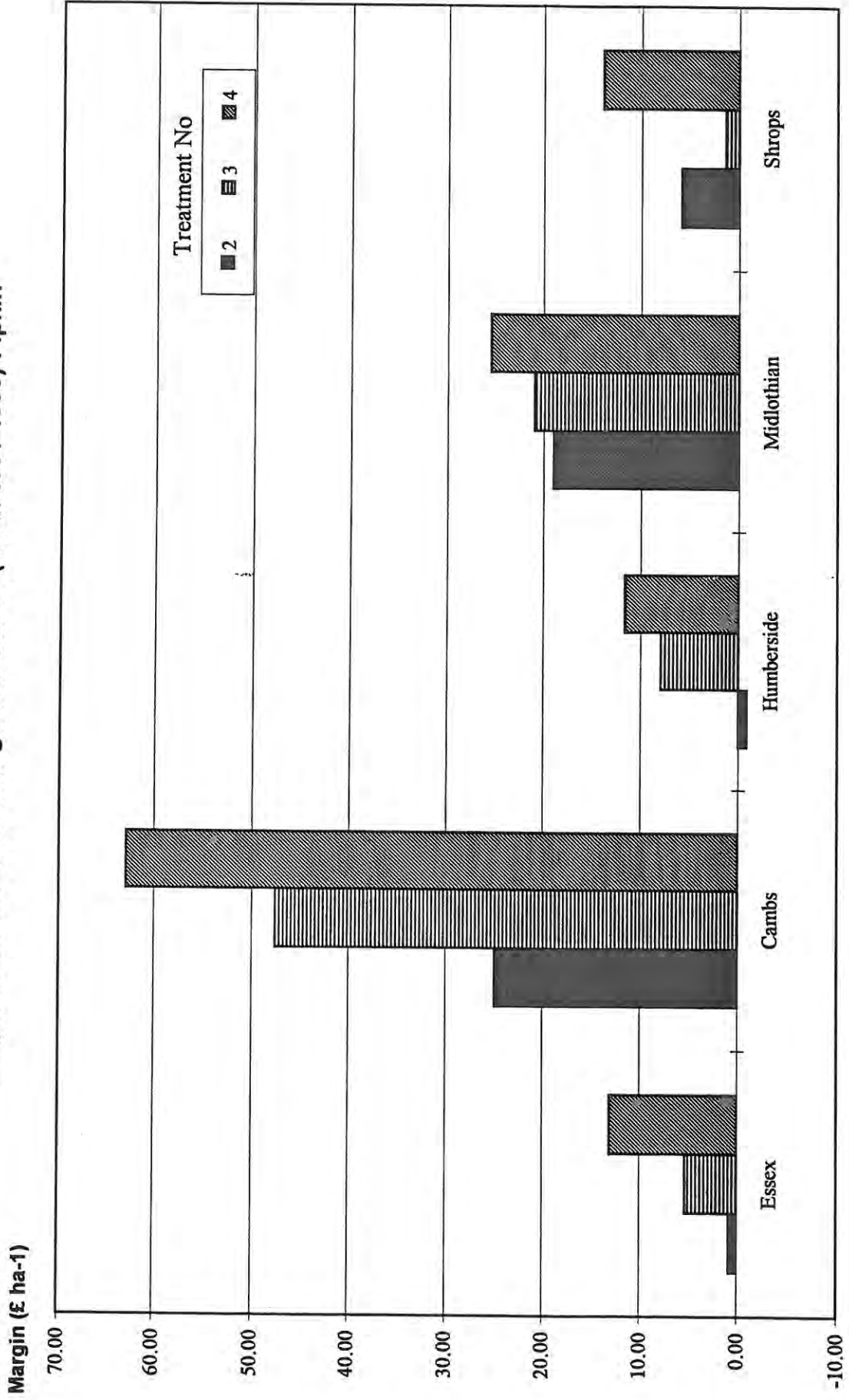
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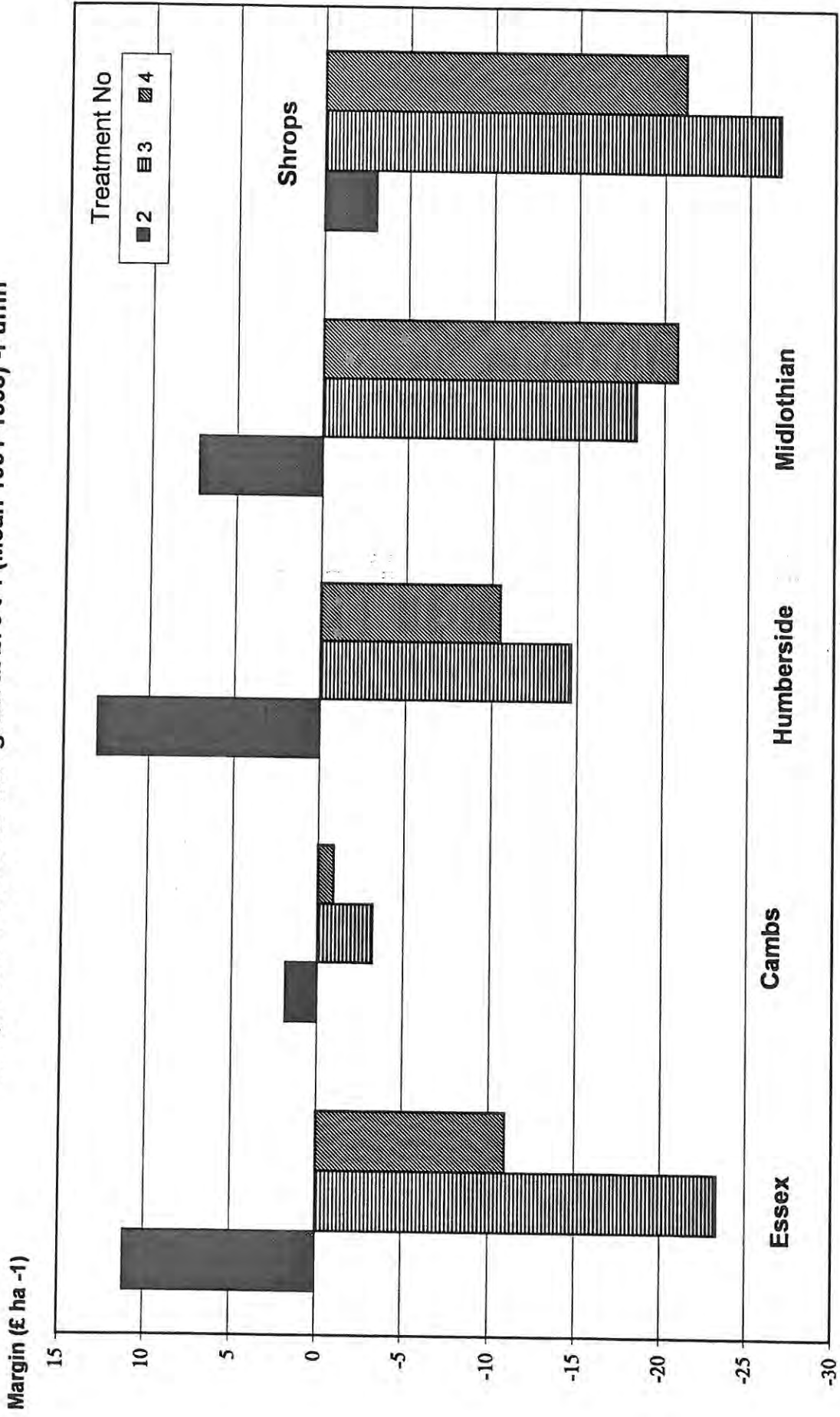
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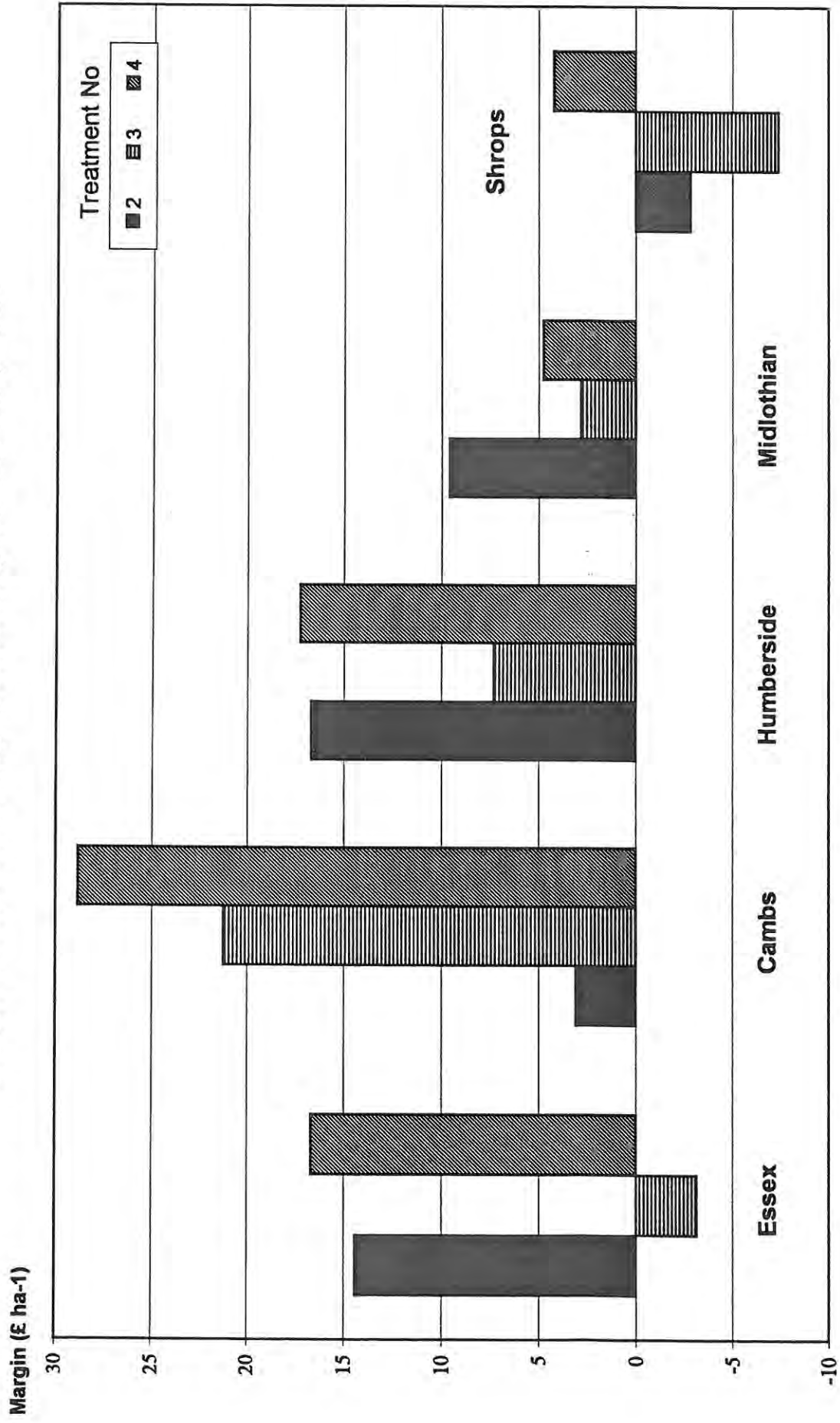
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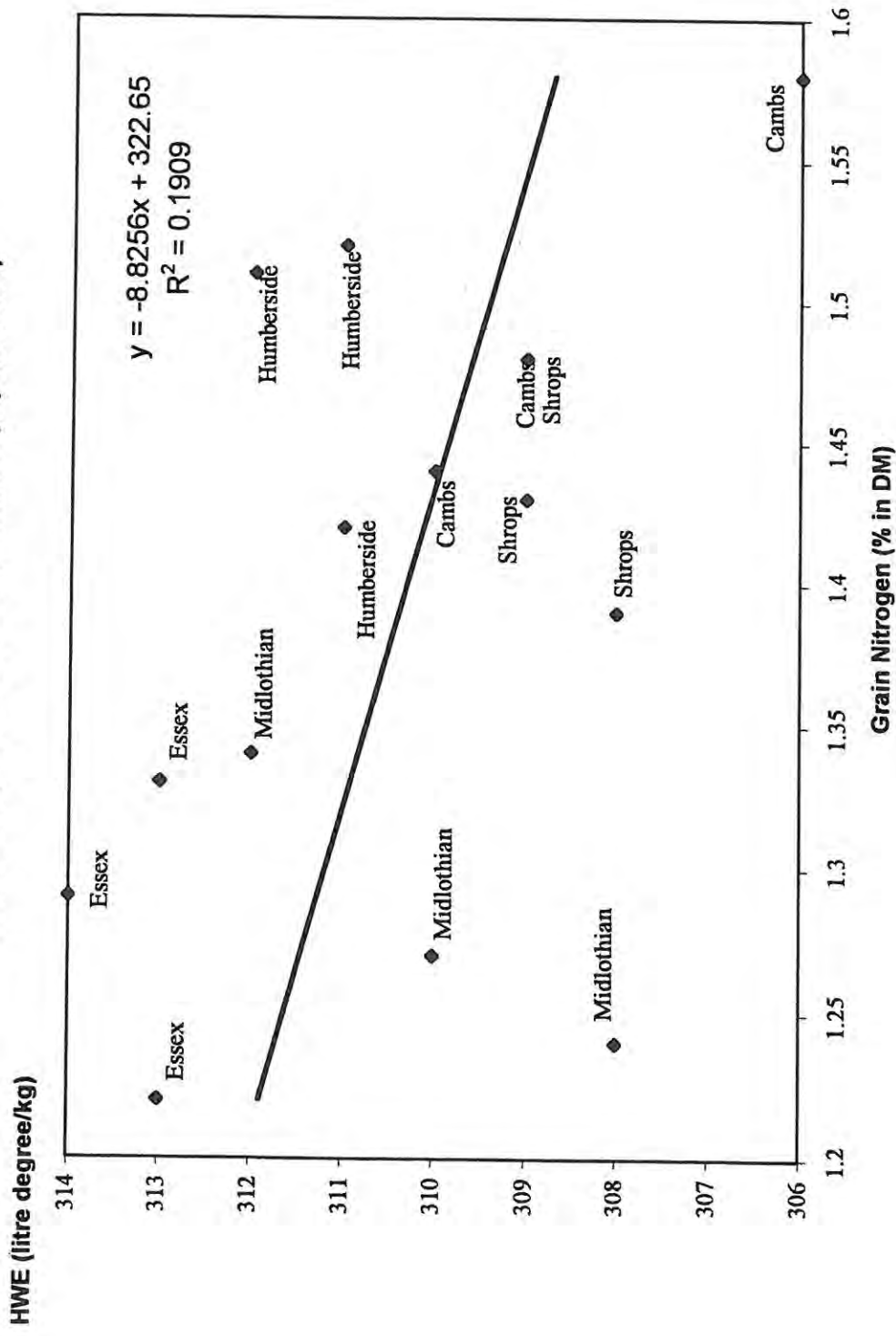
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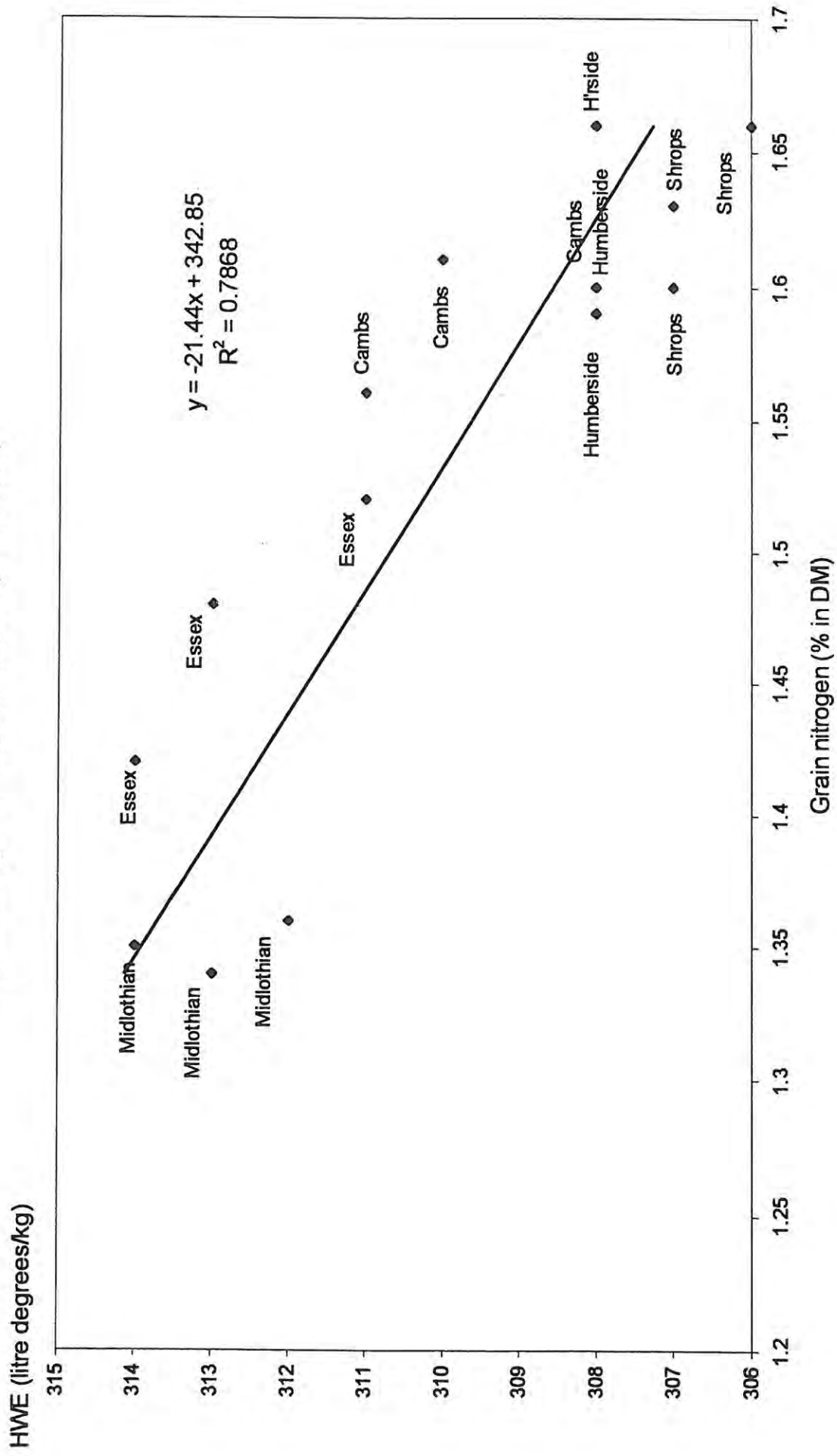
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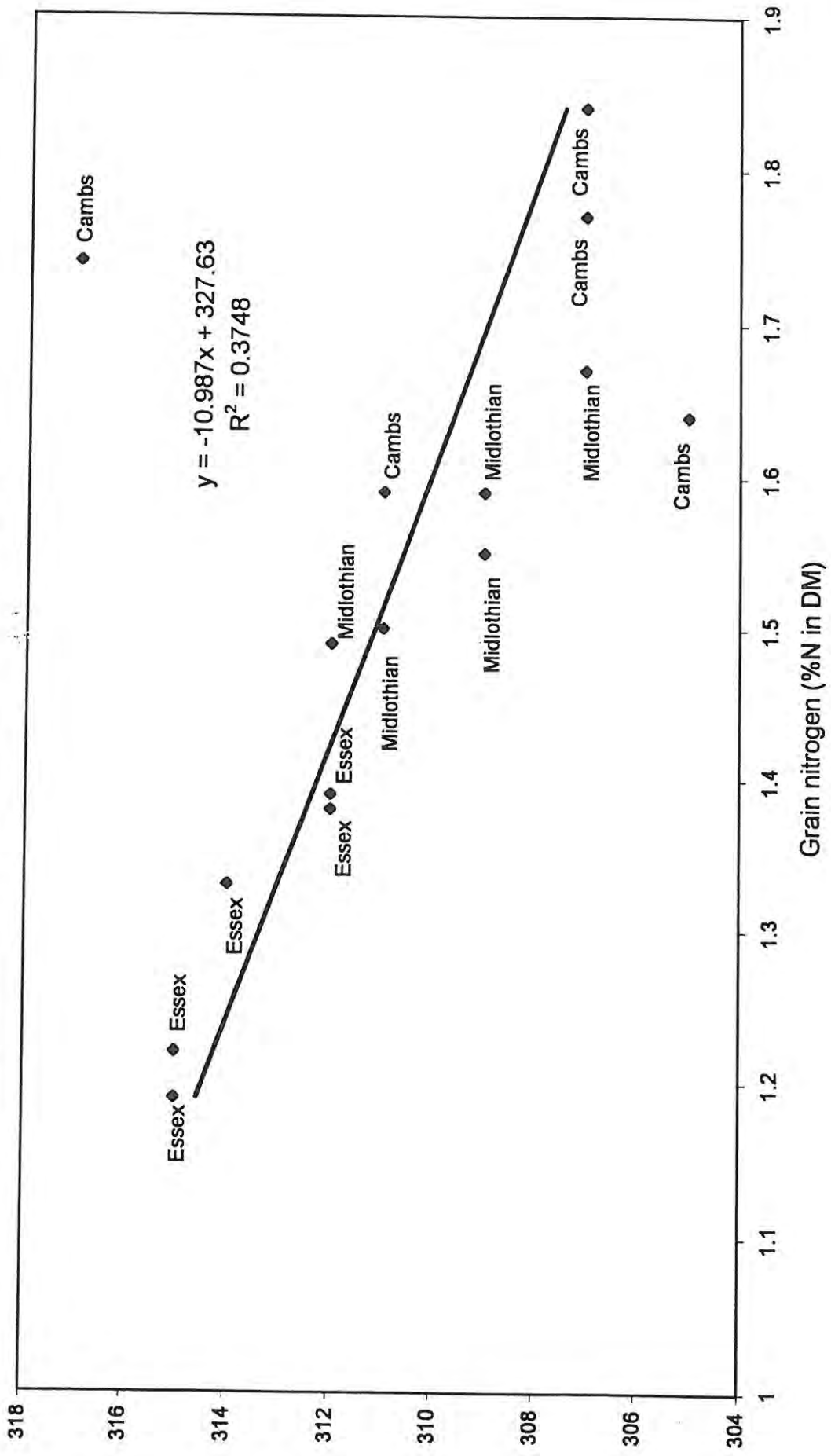
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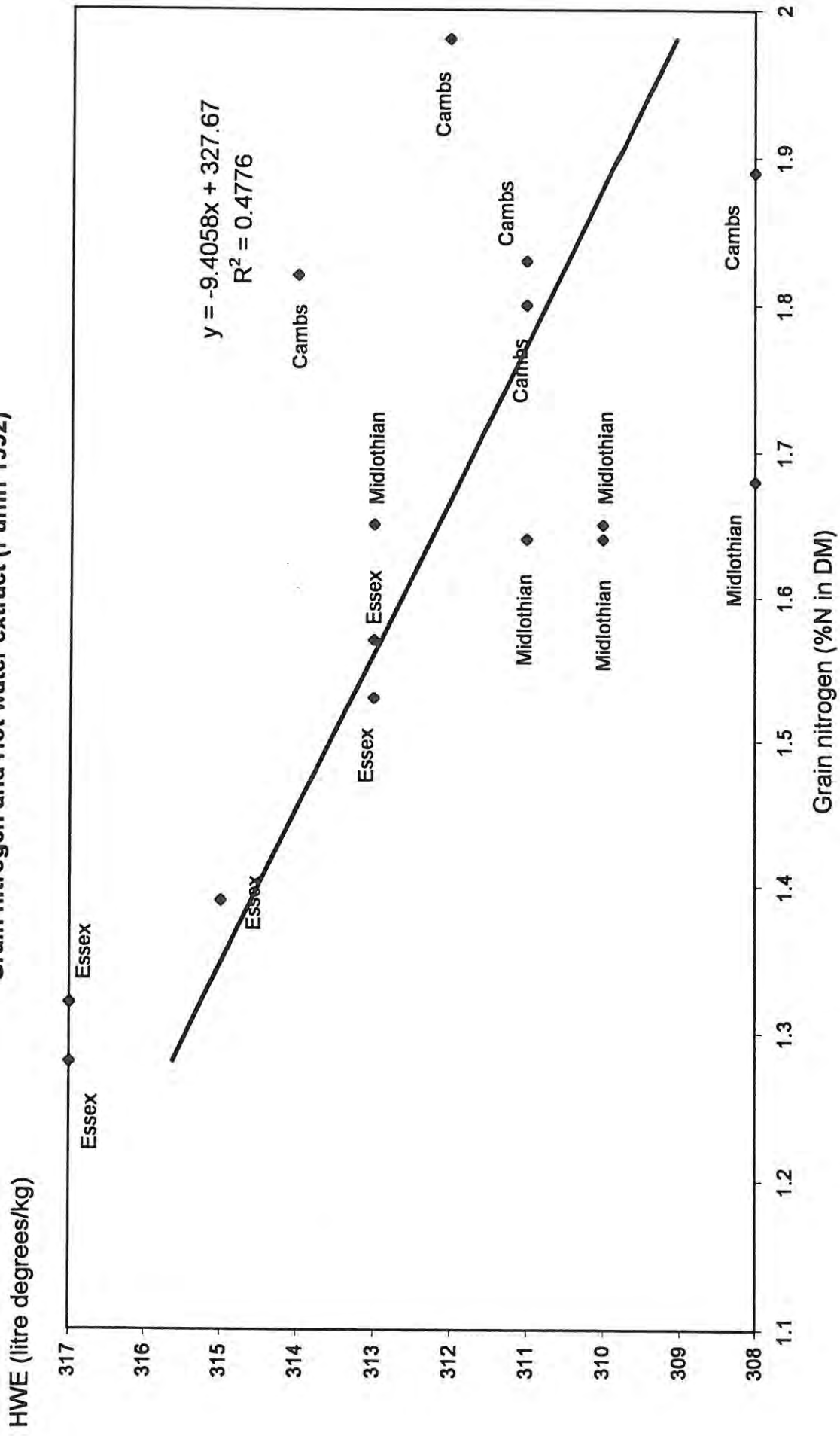


HWE (litre degrees/kg) Grain nitrogen and Hot water extract (Pipkin 1992)

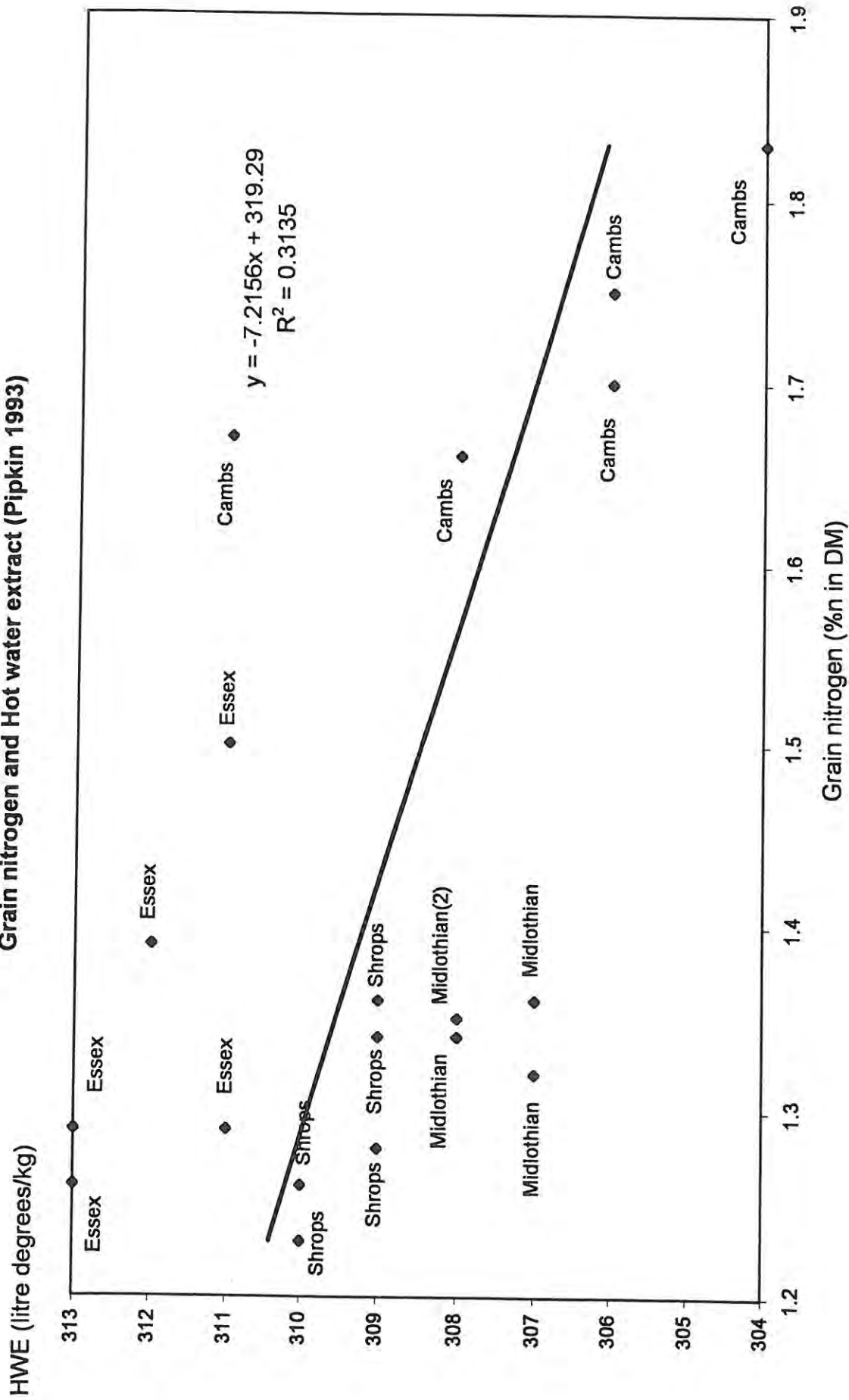




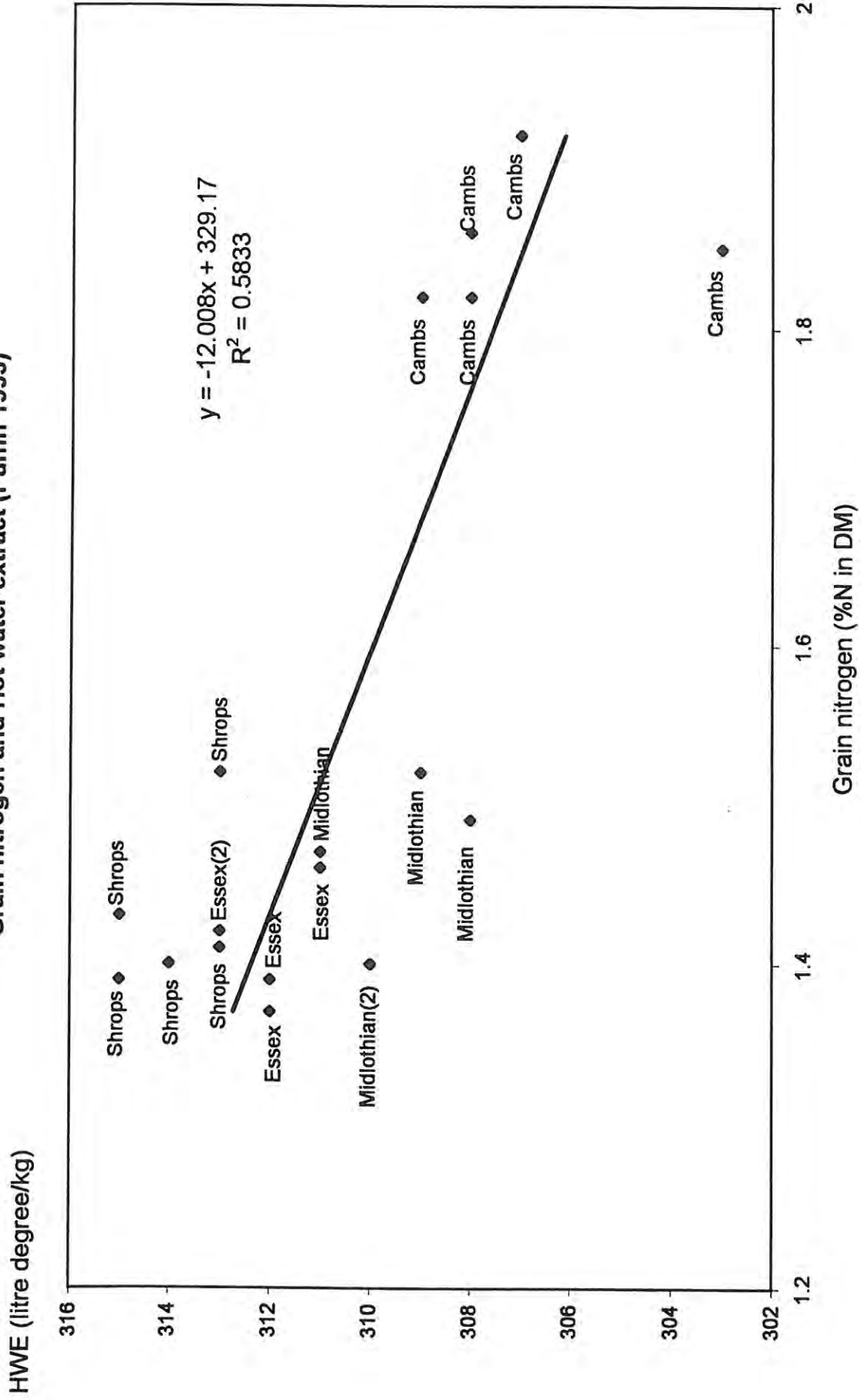
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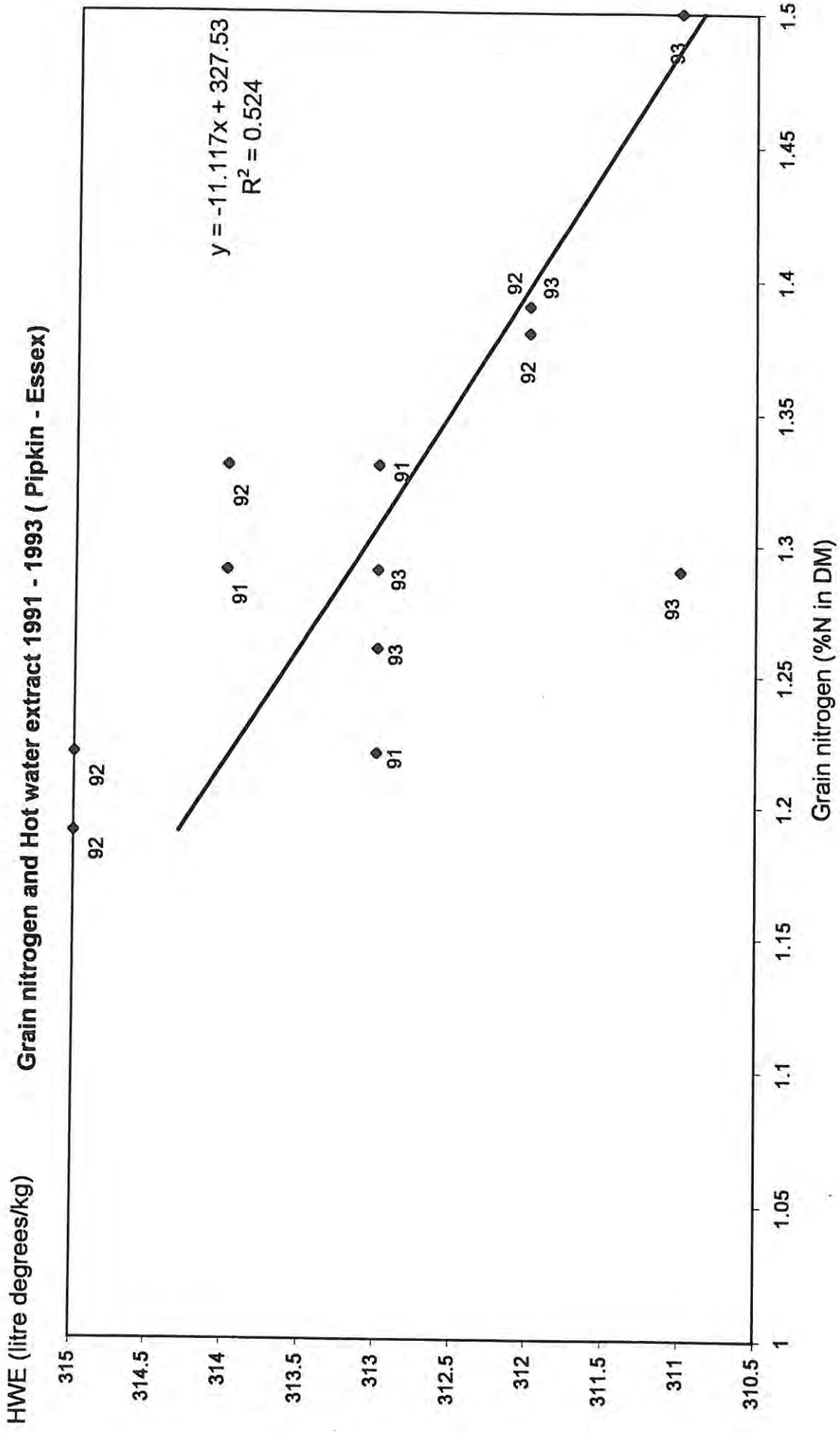


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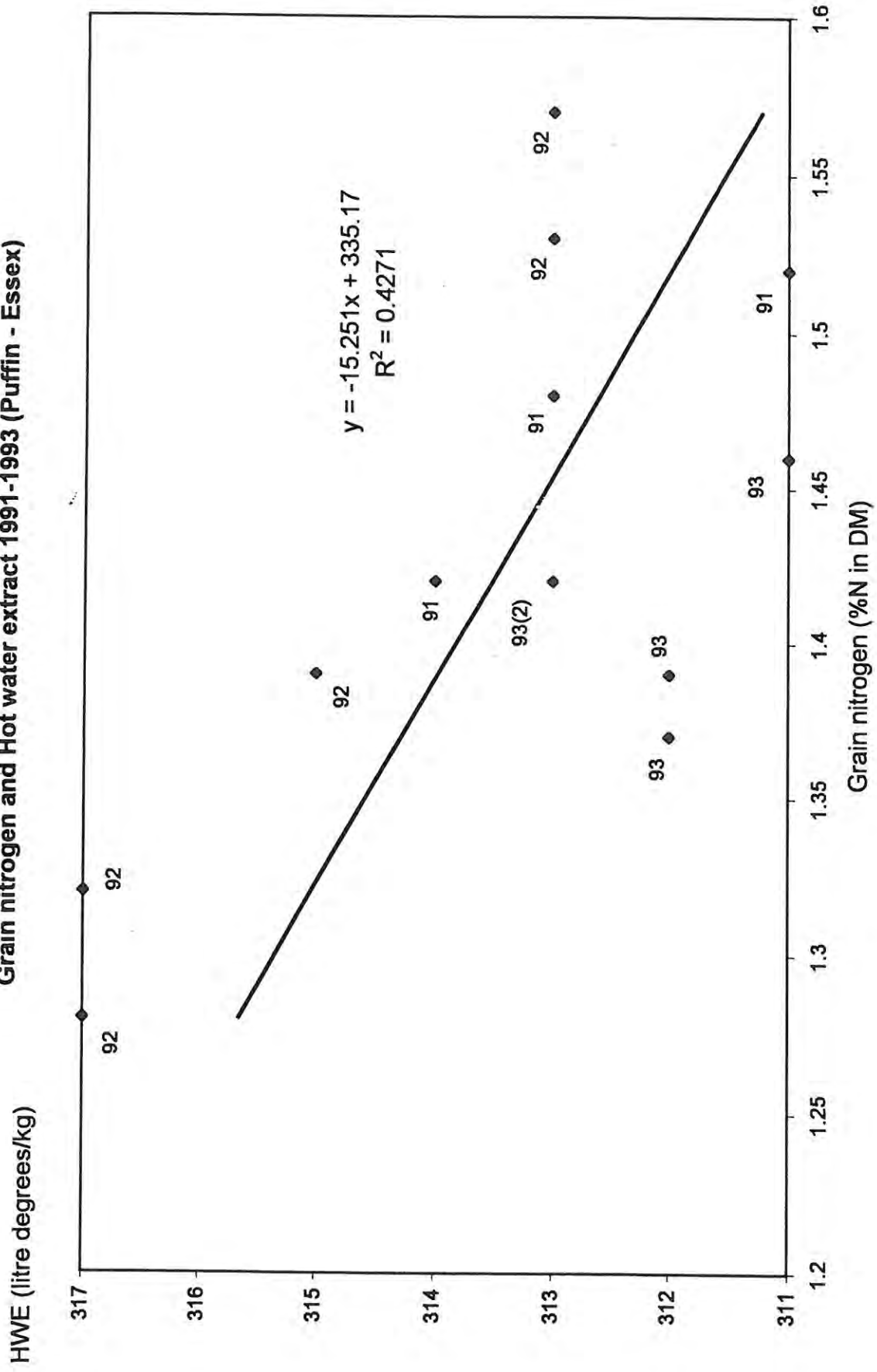


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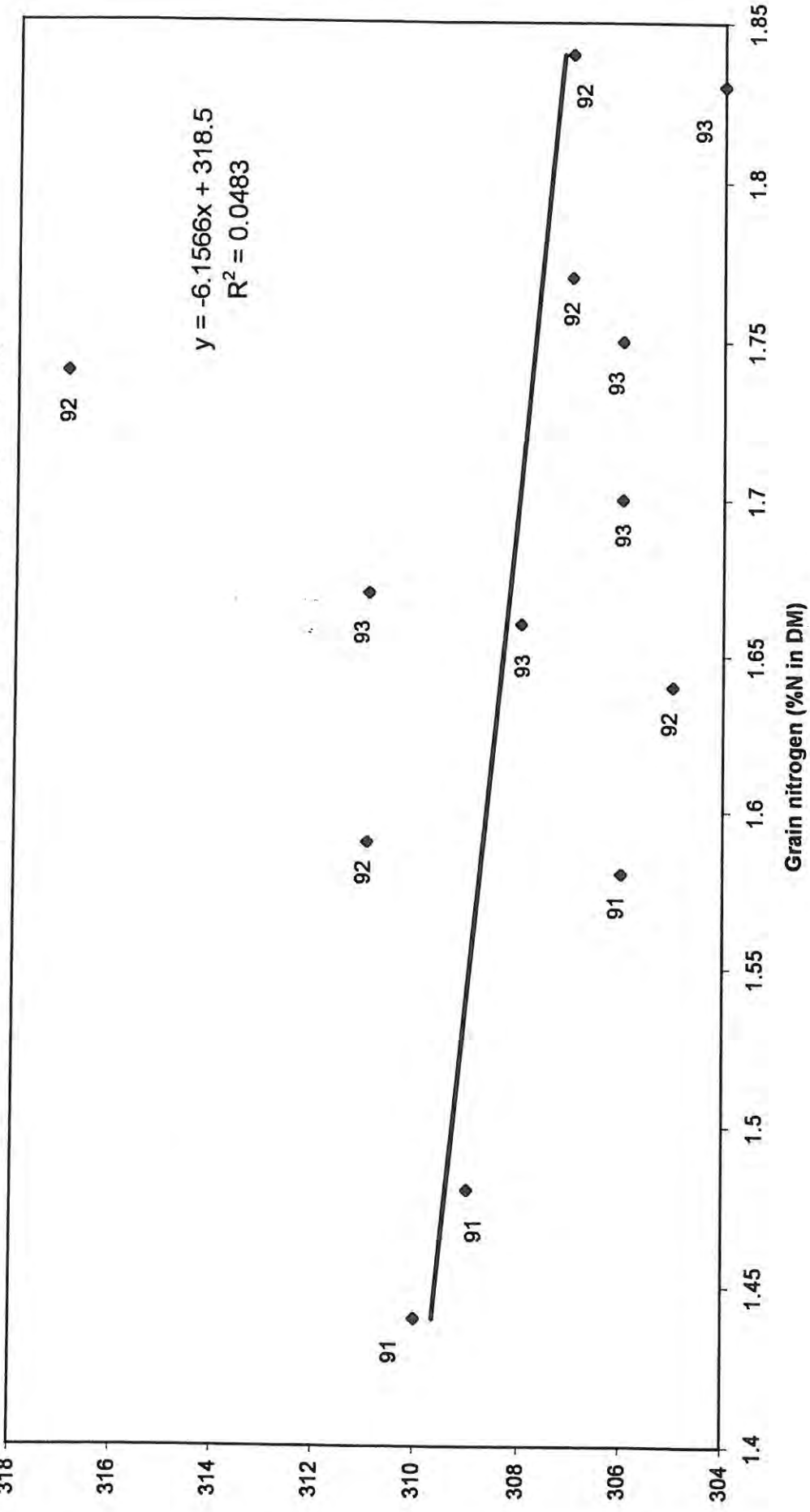




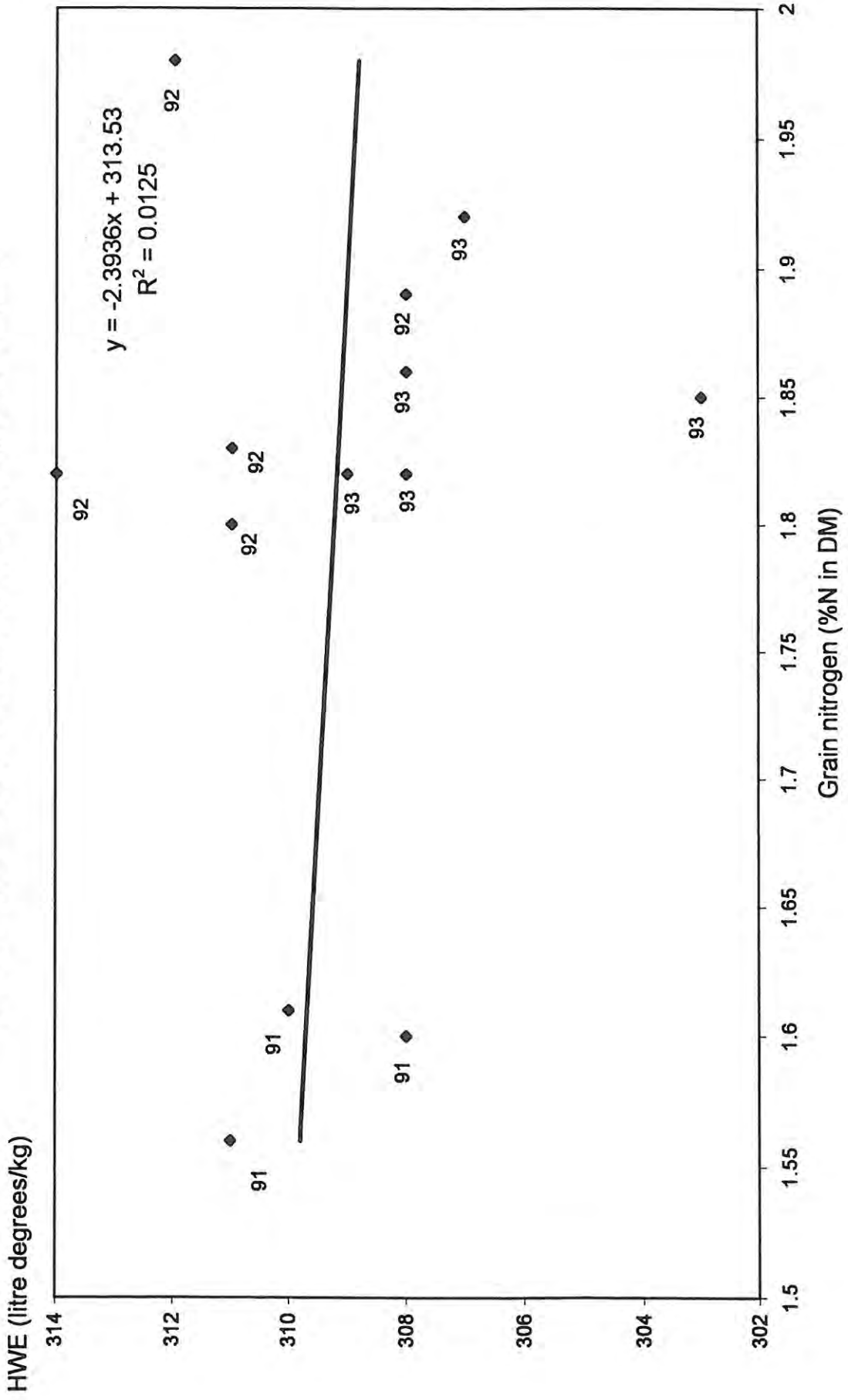
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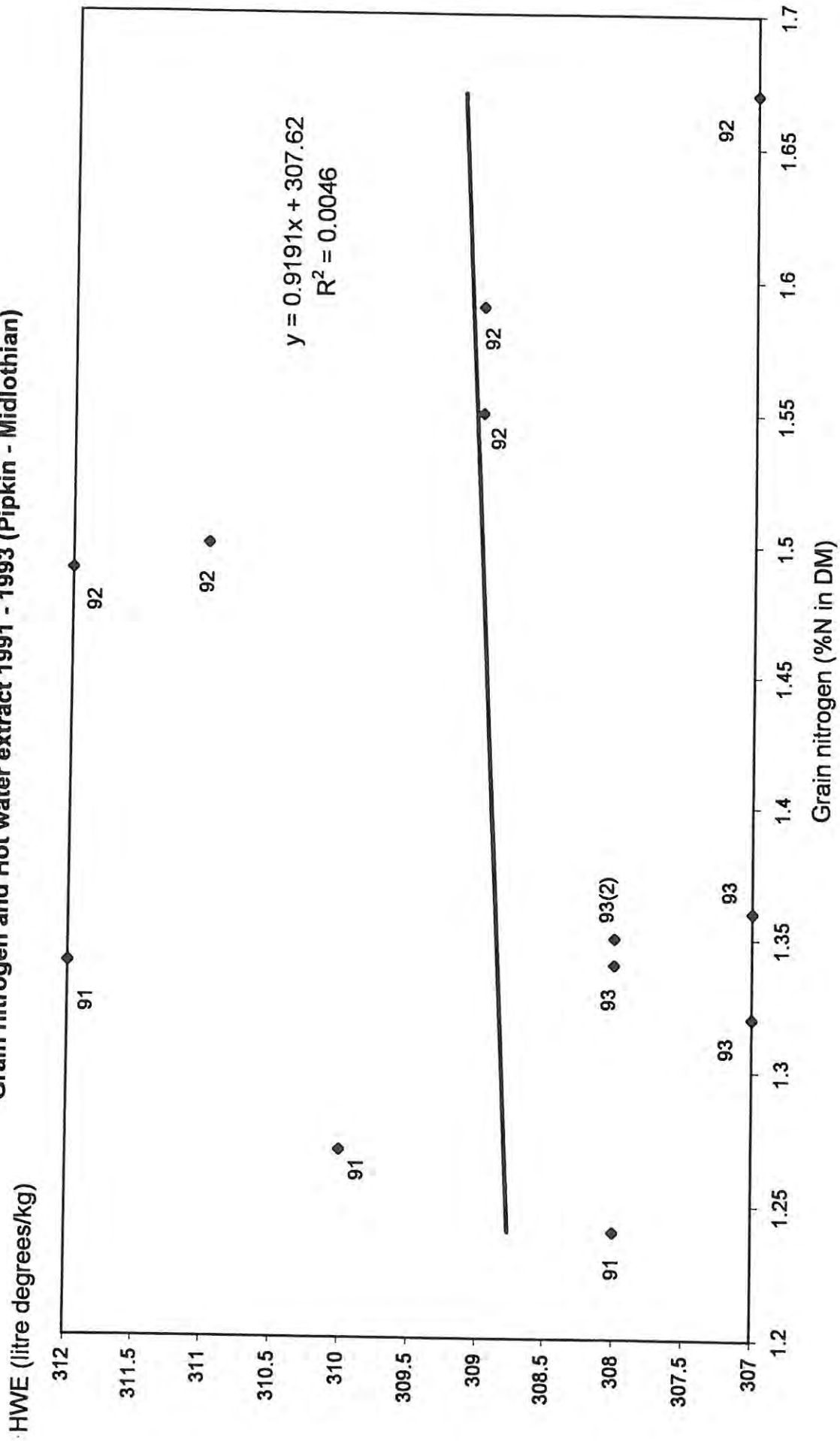
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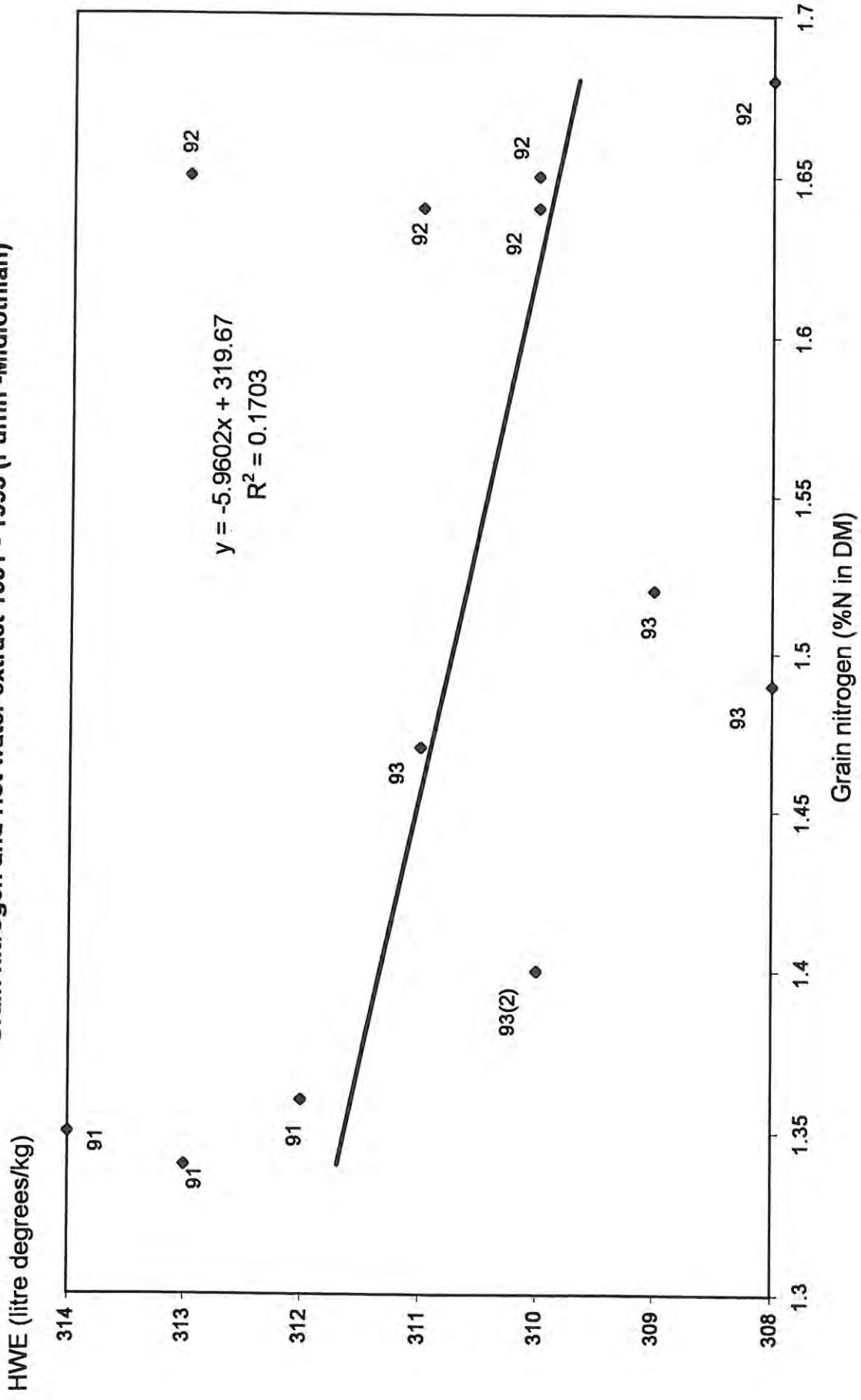


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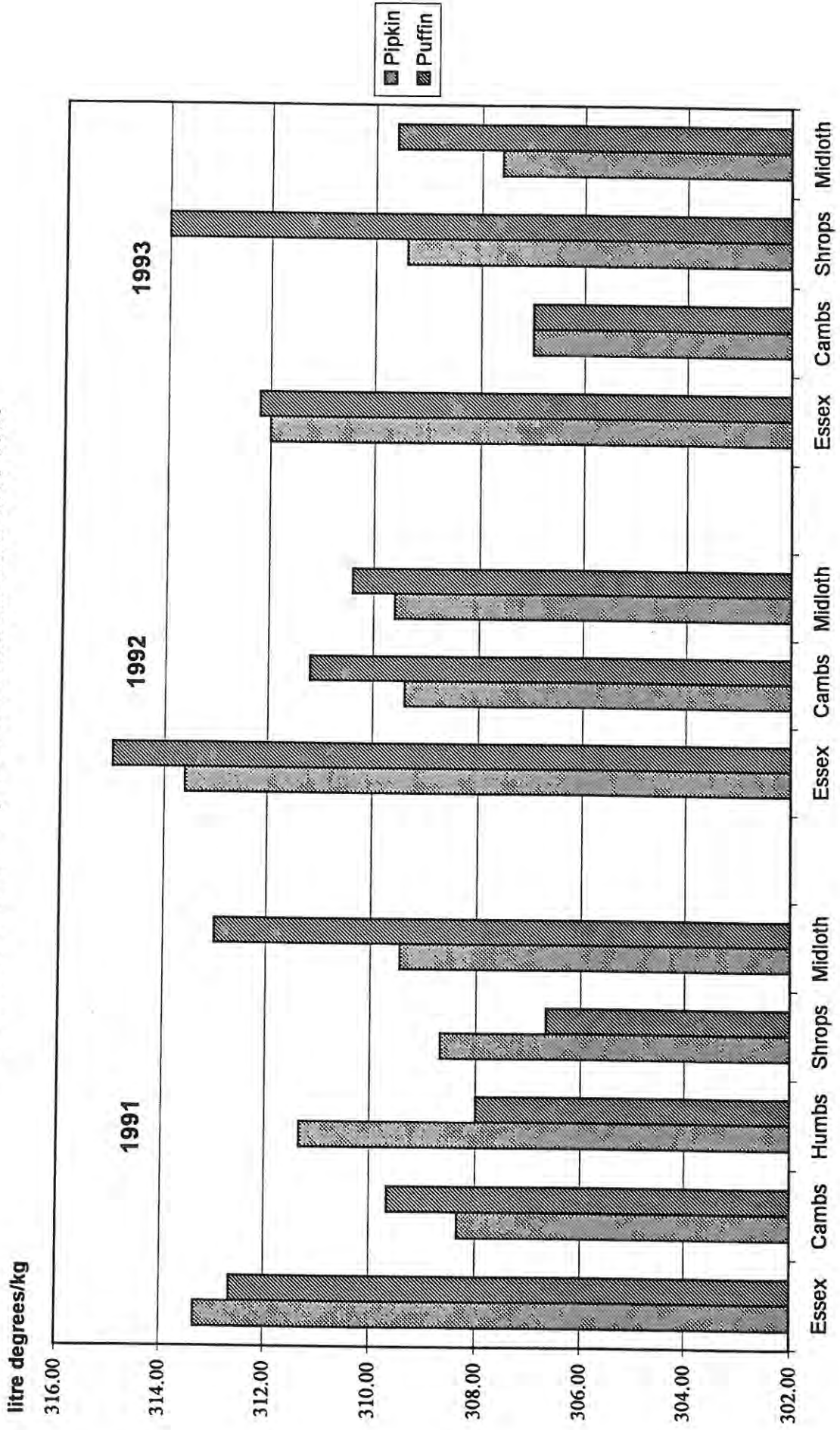




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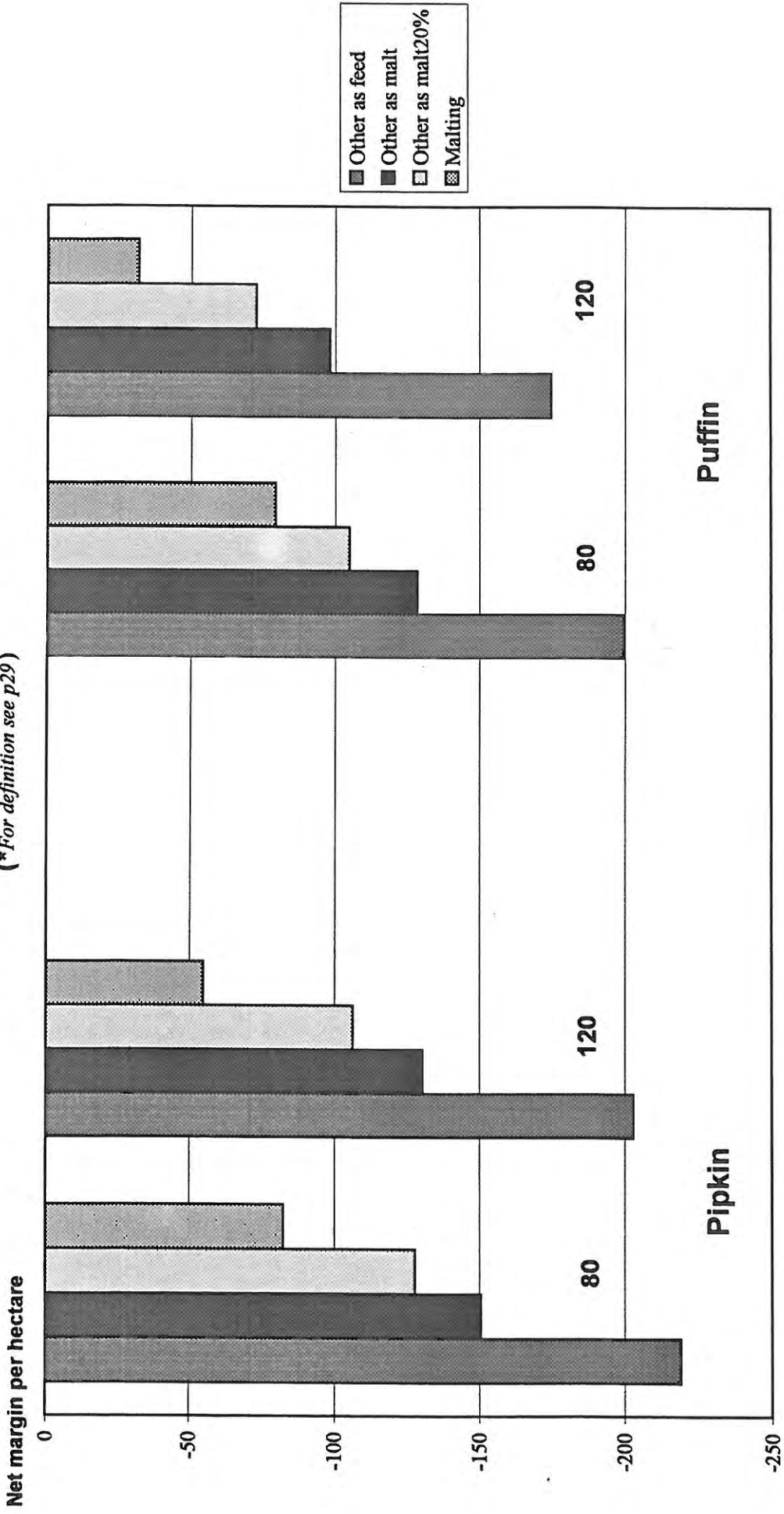


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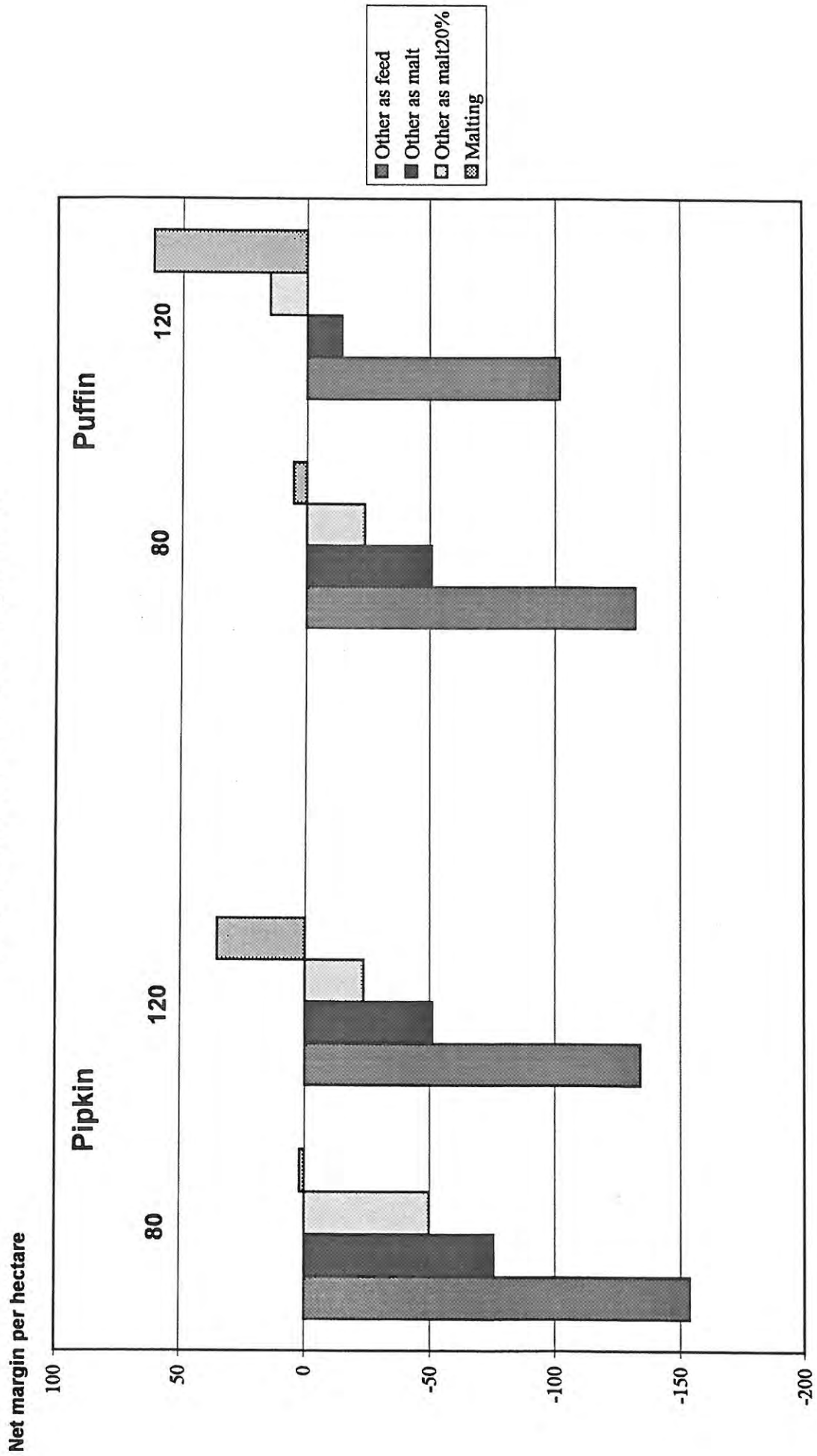


Margins\* with feed barley at £70 per tonne

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Margins with feed barley at £80 per tonne



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## CONCLUSION

This series of trials provides a definition of a malting site as one that can consistently produce good, profitable grain yields with low grain nitrogen. As we have shown non-malting sites can produce equally good samples on a less consistent basis. The concluding points below show what management decisions should be taken to reduce the risk of failing to meet market standards, and to increase the consistency.

- Select a variety that is a well established malting variety, with an established premium reputation. Newer varieties are best grown, initially at least, on the traditional malting sites. The choice of variety becomes more important where nitrogen levels may be high.
- Site characteristics have a greater effect on malting quality than variety, so use soil mineral nitrogen to, a) ensure your rotation has not excessively high SMN levels that will jeopardise malting premiums, and b) tailor nitrogen use to expected yield and soil nitrogen supply.
- Use a PGR programme that will prevent lodging. This will almost certainly involve PGR use at the late tillering/early stem extension growth stages, and again around flag leaf emergence.
- Recent changes in malting barley buying patterns gives the seller time to have the grain nitrogen independently tested. This trial series show that with the correct management more grain than hitherto sold for malting may attract premiums.
- If grain is dried and stored on farm prior to sale care must be taken to maintain germinative energy, and avoid heat damage during drying or storage

As the weather, soil moisture status and consequent nitrogen fluxes into and within the plant are beyond the growers control during the critical grain filling period the risk of failure to meet the quality standards remains.

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