Supplementary Table 1
Published references used in compilation of synthesized data set. Listed by primary author, year(s) study was conducted, N rate(s) applied (kg ha^{-1}), plant density (PD) (plant m^{-2}), and country where research was conducted.

No.	Author	Year Study was Conducted	N rate (kg ha^{-1})	PD (plant m^{-2})	Country
1	Akintoye et al.	1991, 1992	0, 70, 140, 210	5.3	Nigeria
2	Anderson et al.	Ex. A: 1980, 1981	56, 112, 168, 224	2.3, 3.4	USA
		Ex. B: 1979, 1980	56, 224	2.3	USA
3	Antonietta et al.	2008, 2009, 2010	100, 120	6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10.0	Argentina
4	Barber et al.	1987, 1988, 1989	336	7.3, 7.1	USA
5	Beauchamp et al.	1971	145	4.4	Canada
6	Bender et al.	2010	202	8.4	USA
7	Bigeriego et al.	1976	0	7.0	USA
8	Boyer	2007, 2008	168	4.0, 5.4, 6.4, 7.4, 8.4	USA
9	Bundy et al.	1985, 1986	0, 78, 157, 235,	2.5, 2.7	USA
10	Chen et al.	2012, 2013	55, 220	5.4, 7.9, 10.4	USA
11	Chen et al.	2010, 2011, 2012, 2013	60, 120, 180, 240	6.0	China
12	Chen et al.	2010, 2011	240	6.0	China
13	Chen et al.	2010, 2011	0, 120, 240	6.0	China
14	Cimapitti et al.	2010, 2011	0, 112, 224	5.4, 7.9, 10.4	USA
15	Ciampitti et al.	2009	0, 165, 330	5.4, 7.9, 10.4	USA
16	Cirilo et al.	2003, 2004	0, 250	8.0	Argentina
17	Coque et al.	2002, 2003	90, 200	10.0	France
18	Cui et al.	2010, 2011	300	6.8	China
19	Cui et al.	2011	225, 450	8.8	China
20	De Oliveira Silva	2012, 2013	0, 112	8.0	USA
21	Di Fonzo et al.	1978, 1979	100, 350	5.9	Italy
22	Eghball et al.	1989	0, 60, 120, 180	5.3	USA
23	Gentinetta et al.	1982	300	6.0	Italy
24	Goodroad et al.	1983, 1984	30, 110, 190, 350	6.6	USA
25	Grzebisz et al.	2001, 2002, 2003	135	Not Reported	Poland
26	Hanway	1959	0, 44, 88, 176	4.3	USA
27	Hay et al.	1945	0	4.3	USA
28	He et al.	2000	0, 250, 400	6.0	China

29	Hou et al.	Ex. A: 2007, 2008 Ex. B: 2009	0, 209, 225, 450 225	6.6, 8.9, 9.0 6.5	China China
30	Jin et al.	2010, 2011	0, 126, 160, 185, 225, 300, 450	6.0, 7.5, 8.7	China
31	Jing et al.	2009, 2010	0, 360, 405, 450, 495, 540	8.3	China
32	Johnson et al.	1962, 1964	124	6.3	USA
33	Jones et al.	1903	Not reported	2.5	USA
34	Kamprath et al.	Not reported	56, 168, 280	3.7	USA
35	Karlen et al.	1980, 1982	250, 268	7.0, 10.0	USA
36	Karlen et al.	1985	560	11.2	USA
37	Kosgey et al.	2008, 2009	0, 50, 150, 200, 270	10.0	New Zealand
38	Kovács	2010, 2011, 2012	0, 90, 145, 202	8.5	USA
39	Lafitte et al.	1989, 1990, 1991	0, 200	5.3	Mexico
40	Lemcoff et al.	Not reported	0, 167	3.6, 7.3	USA
41	Li et al.	2007, 2008	Not reported	5.2, 7.5	China
42	Liu et al.	2009, 2010, 2011	0, 100, 200, 250, 300, 400	8.5	China
43	Lü et al.	2008, 2009	0, 100	7.5	China
44	Ma et al.	1993, 1994, 1995	0, 42, 59, 100	5.8	Canada
45	Martin et al.	2002	170	9.9	France
46	Mi et al.	1996, 1997	45, 225	6.0	China
47	Miller	2010, 2011	0, 45, 90, 135, 180, 225	8.2	USA
48	Moll et al.	1978	56, 224	2.5	USA
49	Moll et al.	1990, 1991	56, 140, 224	3.4	USA
50	Montemurro et al.	2000, 2001, 2002	0, 100, 200	6.7	Italy
51	Muchow	1986	0, 60, 120, 240, 420	7.0	Australia
52	Ning et al.	2009, 2010	200	6.0	China
53	Oikeh et al.	1993, 1994	0, 30, 90, 120	5.3	Nigeria
54	Osaki	1982, 1984	0, 100, 150, 300	5.3, 11.1	Mexico
55	Osaki et al.	1988	100	5.6	Japan
56	Pan et al.	1981, 1982	56, 224	3.4	USA
57	Pan et al.	1983, 1984	275, 308, 411	3.4, 4.5	USA
58	Peng et al.	2005	150	6.0	China
59	Peng et al.	2007, 2008, 2009	0, 230, 250, 395, 450	10.0	China
60	Pommel et al.	2001, 2002	30, 170	Not Reported	France
61	Qi et al.	2010, 2011	466	7.5	China

62	Rajcan et al.	1993, 1994, 1995	0, 150	7.3	Canada
63	Reed et al.	1978	200	4.6	USA
64	Ren et al.	2011, 2012	300	6.8	China
65	Sayre	1940	Not reported	2.7	USA
66	Subedi et al.	2003, 2004	0, 150	7.5	Canada
67	Swank et al.	1981	0, 12	5.9	USA
68	Ta et al.	1989	67, 257	6.0	USA
69	Tsai et al.	1986, 1987	268	5.3	USA
70	Tsai et al.	1979, 1980	0, 201, 447	5.4	USA
71	Tsai et al.	1986, 1987	67, 134, 268	5.5	USA
72	Uribelarrea et al.	2001, 2002, 2003	0, 34, 68, 102, 170, 204, 238	6.5	USA
73	Wang et al.	2010	492	6.0	China
74	Wang et al.	2007	0, 300	7.5	China
75	Wang et al.	2010, 2011	200, 247, 300, 474	6.0, 7.5, 8.3	China
76	Wang et al.	2011, 2012	0, 120, 240	5.0	China
77	Wolfe et al.	1983	0, 180	7.0	USA
78	Worku et al.	2003, 2004	0, 18, 90, 168	5.3	Zimbabwe, Kenya
79	Xiao et al.	Not reported	225	8.4	China
80	Yan et al.	2010, 2011	0, 30, 45, 56, 92, 250	7.1, 7.5, 7.6	China
81	Yibrin et al.	1992, 1993	0, 340	7.7	USA
82	Zhan et al.	2009	0, 195, 240, 280	Not Reported	China
83	Zhang et al.	2010, 2011	0, 225	6.7	China
84	Zhao et al.	2005, 2006	0, 357, 417, 626, 360, 714, 834	6.0	China

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