

Roxburghshire Nutrient Network

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Sulphur trials



A number of trials currently being undertaken including:-

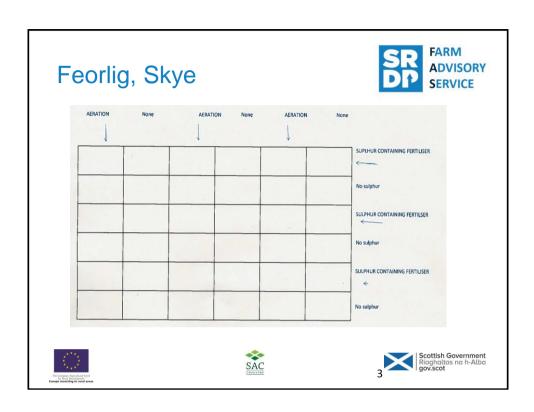
- · Small scale trial at Feorlig on Skye
- · Larger scale trial at Aberdeen funded by CF Fertilisers .

The main aim is to monitor effect on grass protein content. However, effect on grass yield also monitored.









Feorlig



· Products used :-

20:10:10 @ standard rate

24:4:4 +S @ standard rate x 0.83







Results



Treatment	Dry Matter (g/kg)	Crude Protein (g/kg DM)	D Value % (palatability)	Grass ME MJ/kg DM (energy)
Added Sulphur + Aeration	756	200	70.9	11.2
Added Sulphur + No Aeration	769	209	69.6	10.9
No Sulphur + Aeration	826	143	70.2	11
No Sulphur + No Aeration	821	150	68.4	10.7







Aberdeen



- Part of a large multifactorial trial
- Sulphur application rates :-
 - 0, 20 and 60 kg/ha of SO_3

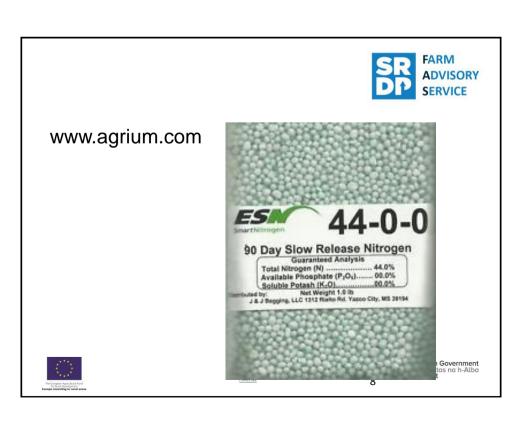
Trial ongoing, but some effects visually apparent

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Controlled release fertilisers



- Various products available
- Expensive
- But could be viable on high rainfall areas, particularly with free-draining soils





Results



- Indicate that growth from slow release similar to ammonium nitrate up to end September
- Will monitor early spring 2018







