

# Sugarcane Response to Nitrogen Stabilizers

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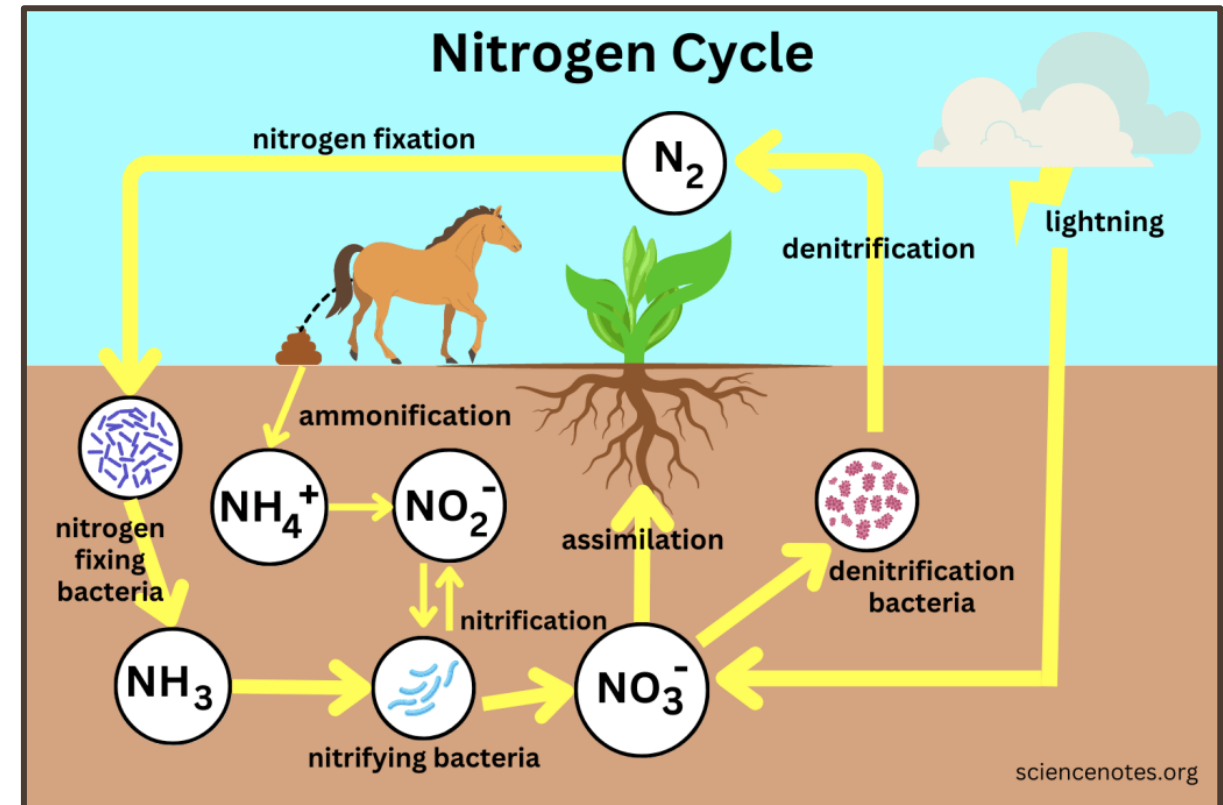


- **The 4 R's of Soil Fertility:**
  1. **Right Rate.**
  2. **Right Source.**
  3. **Right Place.**
  4. **Right Time.**
  
- **Increase Efficiency and Minimize Risk.**

# Nitrogen in the Environment

## ▪ Nitrogen:

- Applied as
  - » Urea -  $(\text{NH}_2)_2\text{CO}$
  - » Ammonium -  $\text{NH}_4^+$
  - » UAN - Combination
- Plant available forms
  - »  $\text{NO}_3^-$  - very mobile in soil
  - »  $\text{NH}_4^+$  - less mobile in soil
- Nitrogen loss is our greatest challenge.
  - » NBPT – slows urea conversion
  - » DCD – slows nitrification



# What's in a Ton?



## 1 Ton Sugarcane Contains:

- **2 lb N**
- **1.2 lb P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>**
- **3.5 lb K<sub>2</sub>O**

Yield Level	N	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	K <sub>2</sub> O
25	50	30	87.5
30	60	36	105
35	70	42	122.5

Adapted from: <http://www.ipni.net/article/IPNI-3296>

# N-Stabilizer Research Objective

- Determine the impact of various N stabilizer products on sugarcane tonnage and sugar production.
- Evaluate rate structure of N stabilizer products on sugarcane yield.

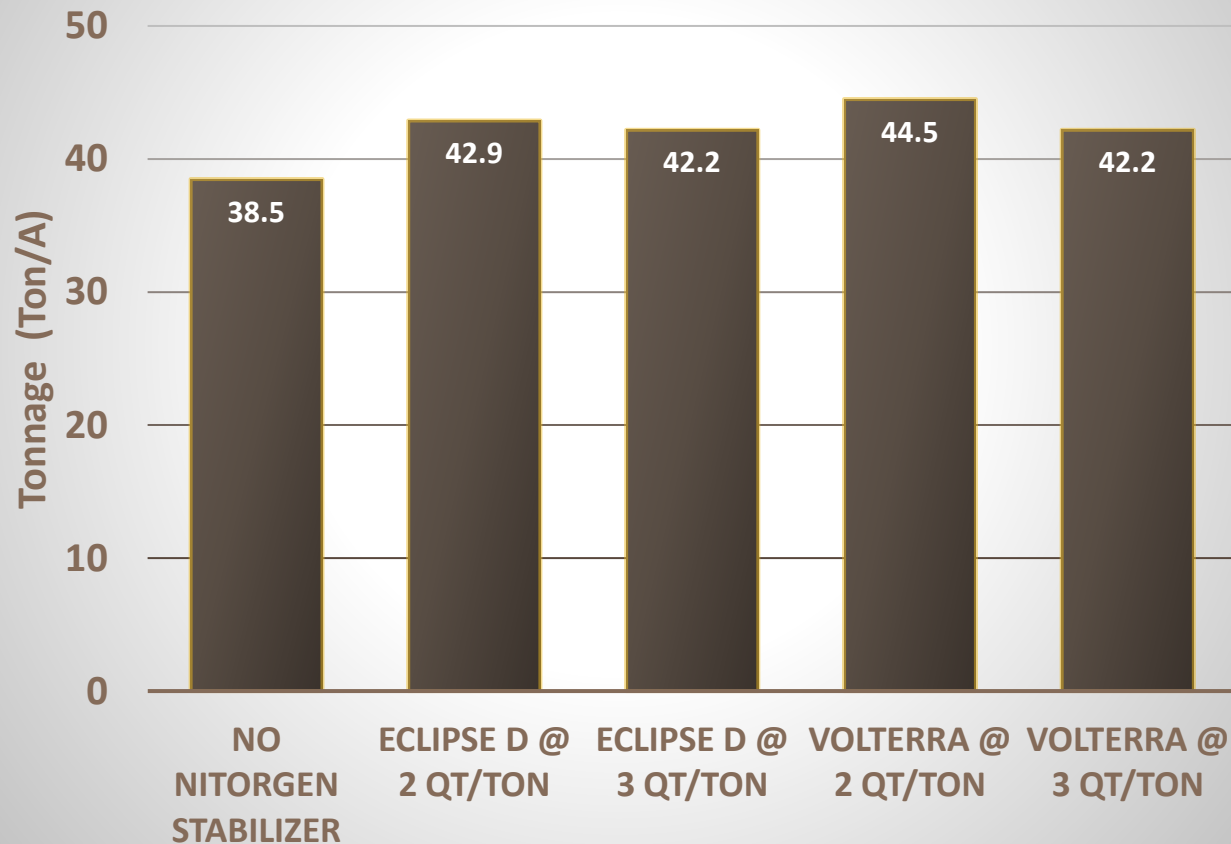
 **ECLIPSE<sup>TM</sup>-N**

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 **VOLTERRA<sup>TM</sup>**

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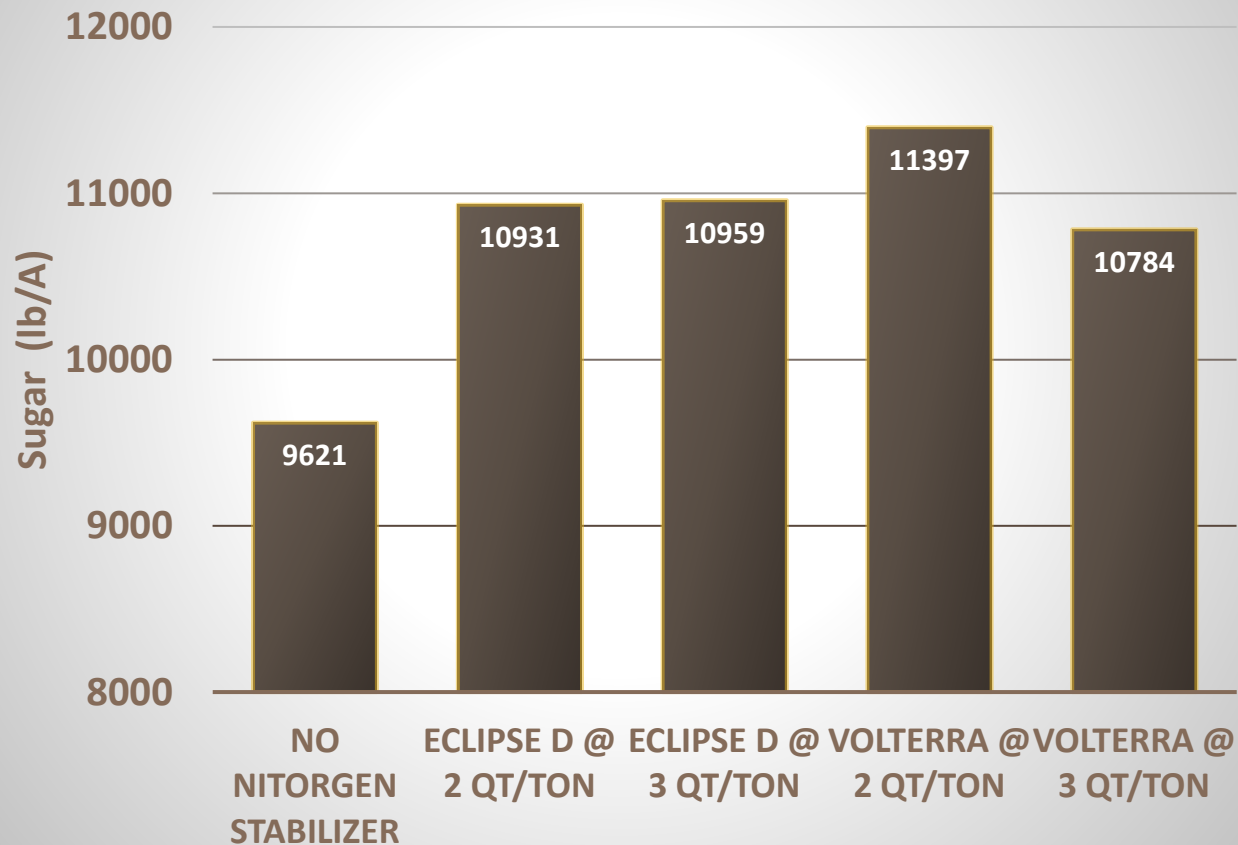
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- » **Treatment 1: No Nitrogen Stabilizer**
- » **Treatment 2: Eclipse D @ 2 qt/ Ton UAN**
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- **Regardless of N stabilizer product and rate selected, sugarcane tonnage and sugar content was positively impacted.**
- **Volterra's (NBPT + DCD) keeps nitrogen in the plant available form longer to mitigate risk of nitrogen conversions where it can be lost due to volatilization or leached.**
- **Volterra preformed best in either study at 2 qt/ton; however, either rate improved sugarcane tonnage and sugar/A compared with nontreated UAN.**
- **Nitrogen stabilizing products such as Volterra can greatly improve crop yield and ROI.**



# Questions

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