



Evaluating crop simulation models using different fertility sources and climate model outputs to improve the productivity of sorghum

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Outcome no.1_1	Output no. 1_1	Activity no.1_1_1_3
Sub-activity title	MA1112-18: Evaluating crop simulation models using different fertility sources and climate model outputs to improve the productivity of sorghum	
Location/sites for sub-activity	Koutiala, Bougouni and Bamako, Mali	
Implementation timeframe (start/end date)	July, 2018 –March,2020	
Deliverables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Best fertilizer management practices that will contribute to increased sorghum productivity 2. At least 300 farmers will be reached via farmers field day on fertility micro-dosing technology 3. Crop simulation Models (DSSAT and APSIM) outputs under different fertilizer scenarios to future climatic condition 4. Economic cost and benefit analysis of sorghum under different fertilizer management application performed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Paper on Improving grain sorghum productivity in water-limited environments under climate change peer reviewed journal 5. Technology 3: Sorghum-NPK-organic manure; Mali. Chapter 3: Integrated soil fertility management 6. The field trial will contributions to capacity building of PhD student research objectives
S.I. domain and indicators for which data was collected – indicate metric and scale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Productivity: Kg biomass (yield, fodder)/ha/season, coefficient of variability, distribution, etc. Number of crops grown per year on a given plot (by crop), Plant population density (seeds/ha/season or seeds/ha/year) at plot level 2. Environmental (soil fertility, NPK, pH, OM at plot level) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.Economics: Net income, profitability 4. Ranking of technologies /treatments locally will be determined during farmers field and also analytical and modelling approaches at plot level
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Farming systems research perspective (how this work links with others)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Three different agro-ecologies across rainfall gradient 2. Different fertilizer sources and contrasted sorghum varieties as an options 3. Climate forecasting: seasonal rainfall, onset of growing season , length of growing season and forecasting temperature 	



2. Objectives: To optimize nutrient flow under different soil fertility management for sorghum productivity

- 2.1 To better understand physiological functioning and yield productivity of sorghums under different fertilizer management (livestock manure and inorganic fertilizer) across different rainfall gradients and soil characterizations
- 2.2 Evaluates the productivity of sorghum using the validated crop simulation models (APSIM and DSSAT) under current and future climate conditions based on observations and on Global Climate Models (GCMs) output
- 2.3. Determine the marginal cost benefit responses of different fertilizer sources based on current farming management practices and prevailing market.



Experimental design and Treatment

Split-plot design- Main plot : Sorghum variety includes three sorghum varieties: **Fadda (improved hybrid), Soumba, Tieble (CSM335)**

The sub-plot had nine (9)fertilizer Technology plus no fertilizer;

T₁ = Control

T₂ = Cow manure(50g/hill) + Poultry manure (50g/hill) **Planting date:**

T₃ = Cow manure(100g/hill)

Koutiala-17th June, 2017

T₄ = Cow manure(100g/hill)+ Micro-D_DAP(3g/hill)

10th July, 2018

T₅ = Micro-D_DAP(3g/hill)

Bougouni- 08th July,2017

T₆ = DAP 41:46:00

11th July, 2018

T₇ = Poultry manure (150g/hill)

Bamako- 14th June, 2017

T₈ = Poultry manure (100g/hill)

7th July, 2018.

T₉ = Poultry manure (50g/hill)

T₁₀ = Poultry manure (100g/hill) + Micro-D_DAP(3g/hill)

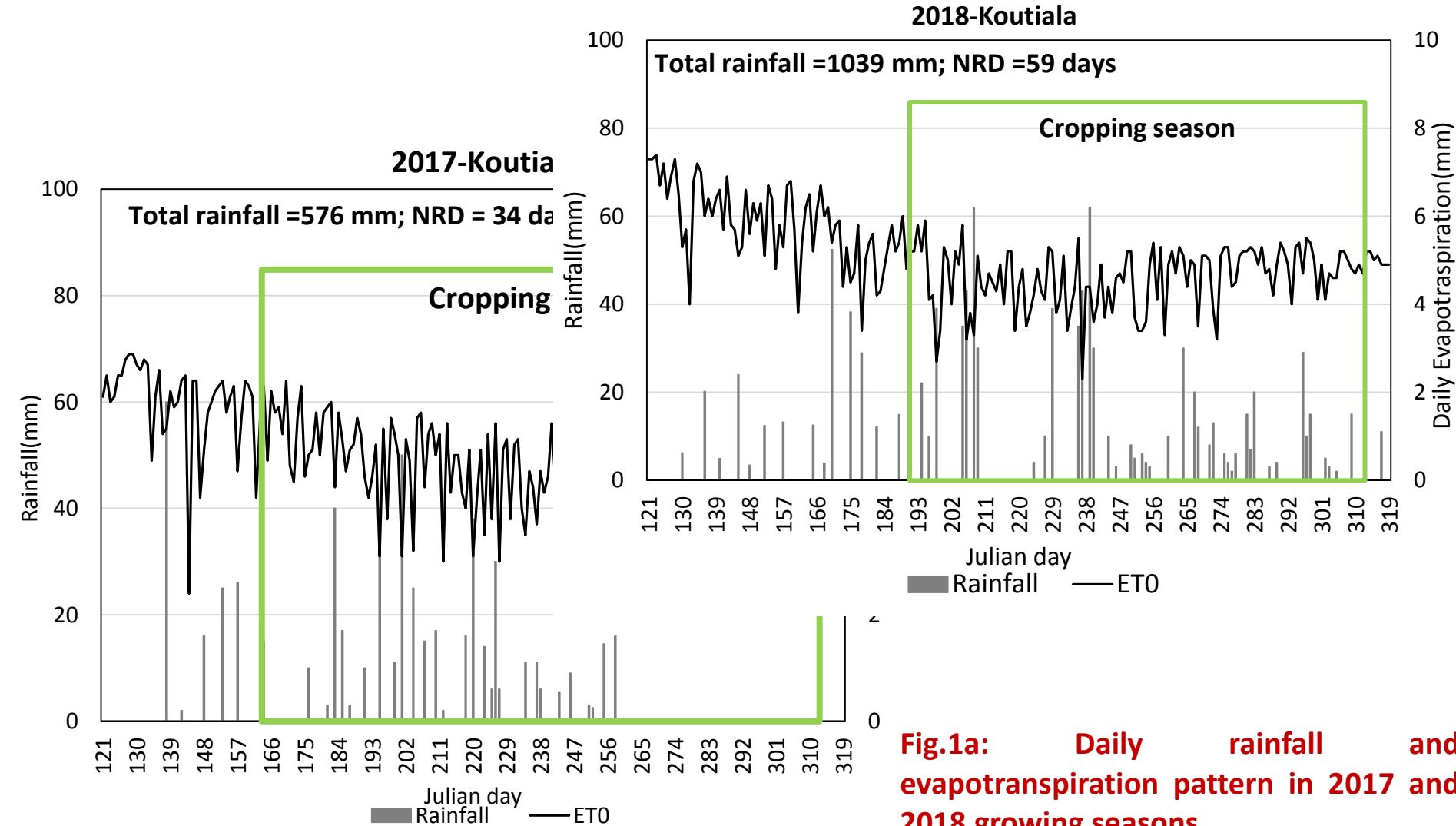


Table 1: Physical and chemical properties of the soils (0–15 cm depth) at the three sites

Soil parameters	M'pessoba, Koutiala	Flia, Bougouni	Samanko, Bamako
Sand (%)	55	66.9	67.8
Silt (%)	20	18.1	22.9
Clay (%)	25	15	9.3
Soil texture	SandyLoam	SandyLoam	SandyLoam
pH(H ₂ O)	5.15	6.0	4.6
OC, gkg ⁻¹	1.20	5.72	2.27
Total N, gkg ⁻¹	0.14	0.53	0.21
Available P, mgkg ⁻¹	4.55	3.62	0.09
Ca	2.43	1.57	1.4
Mg	0.42	0.42	1
K	0.04	0.08	0.1
Na	0.12	0.09	0.1

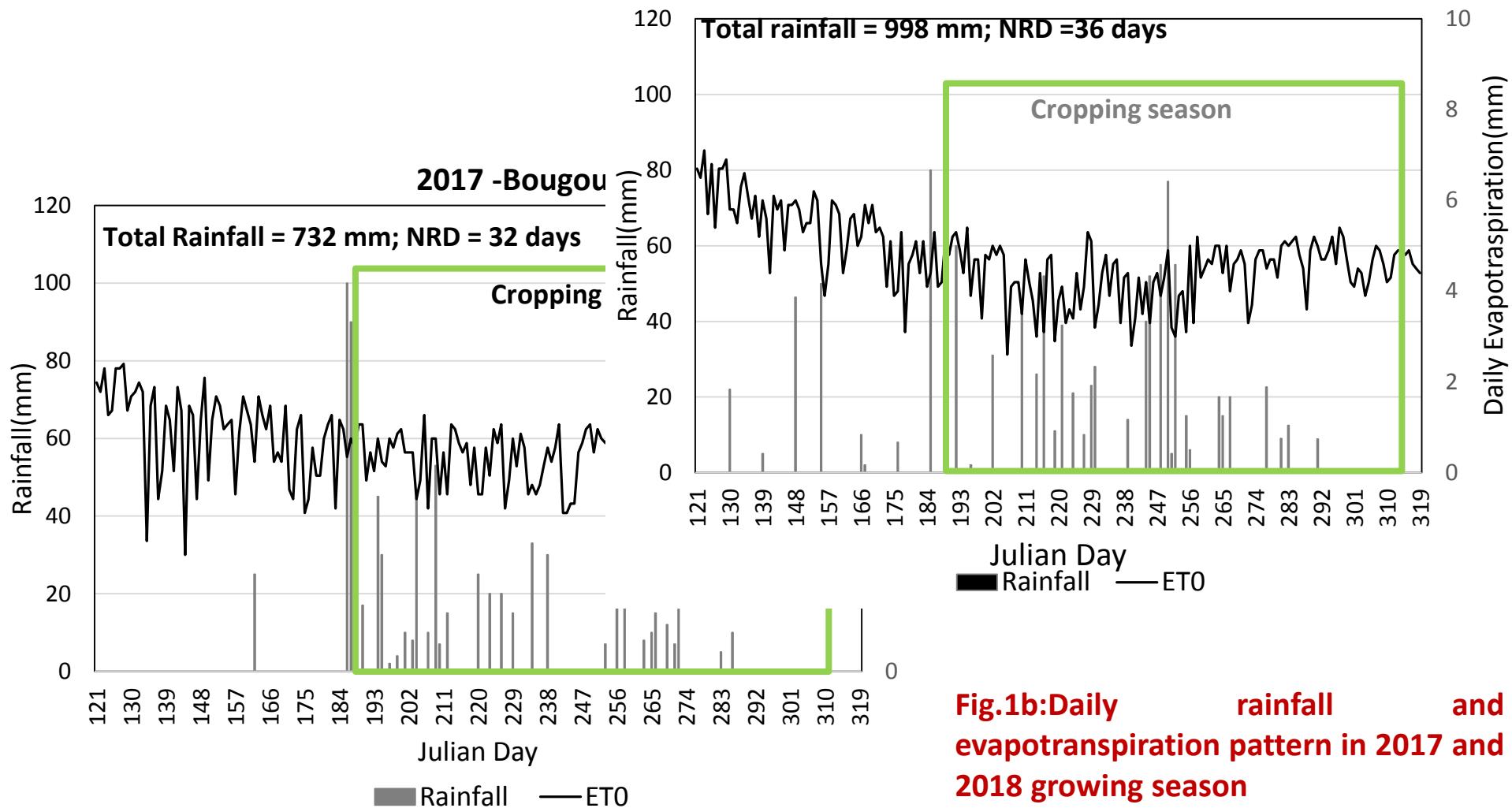


Relationship between rainfall and potential evapotranspiration



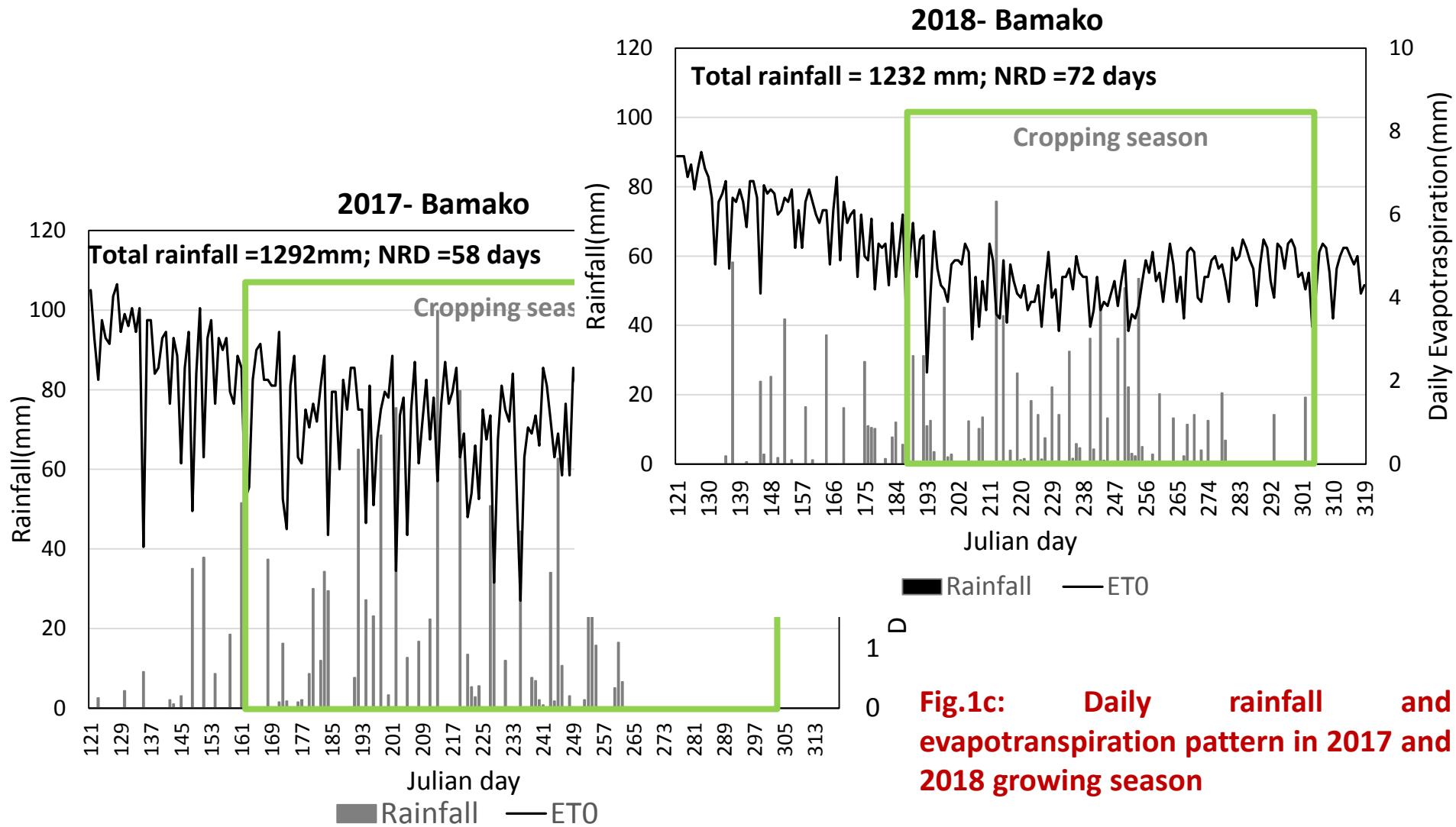


Relationship between rainfall and potential evapotranspiration Cont'd 2018- Bougouni





Relationship between rainfall and potential evapotranspiration cont'd



Seasonal effects on Grain yield

Koutiala

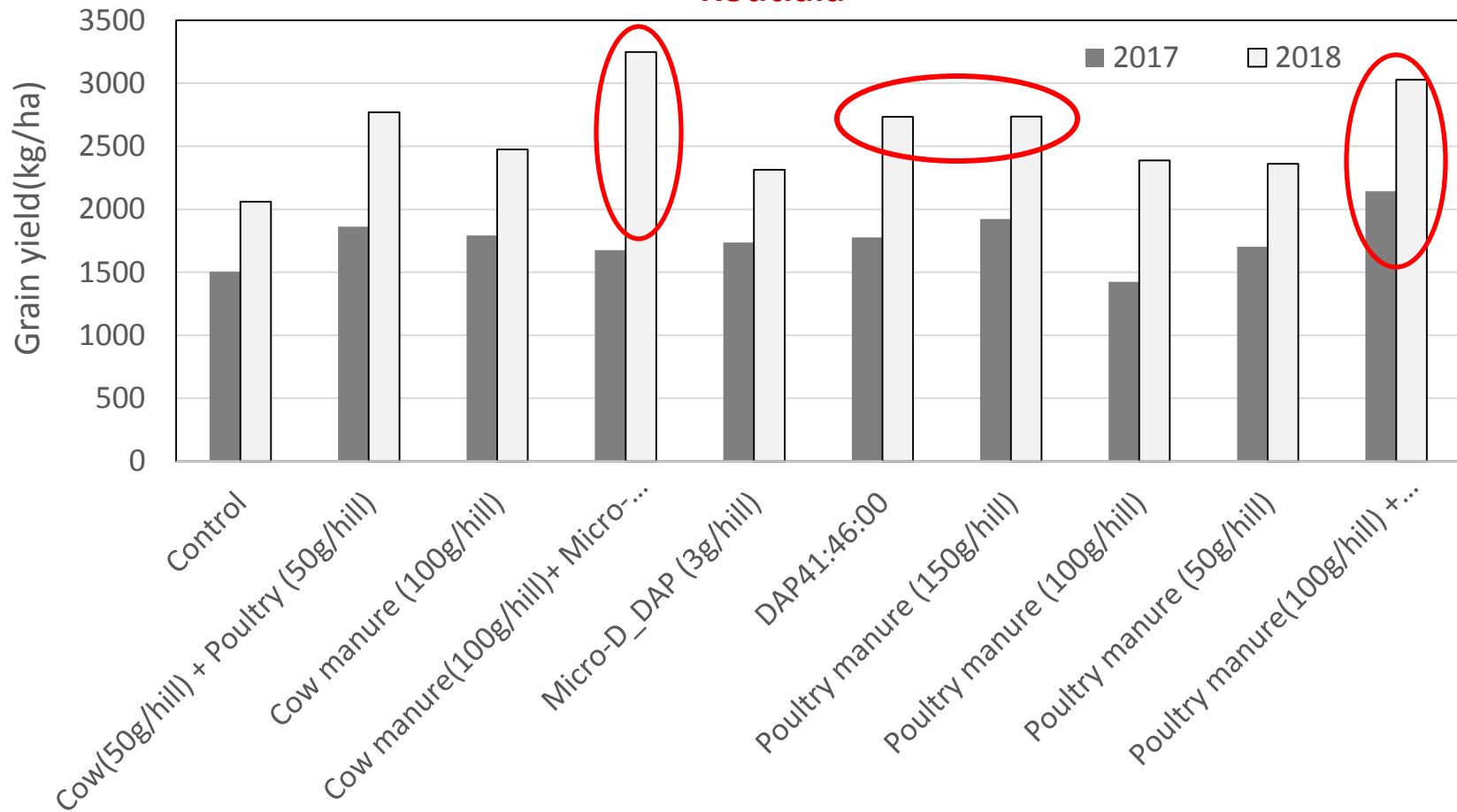


Fig.2a:Performance of the fertilization technology on sorghum production

Seasonal effects on Grain yield

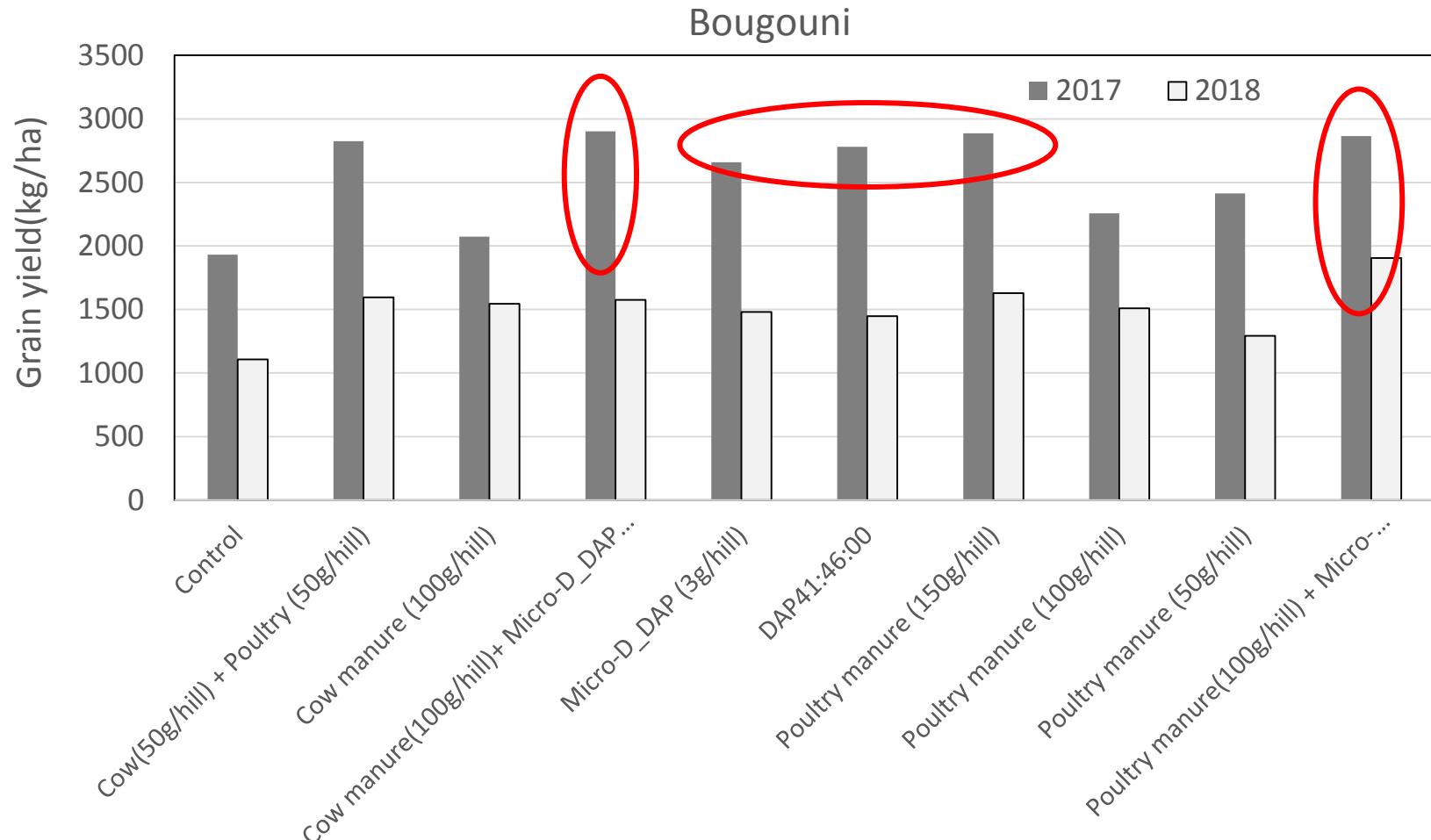


Fig.2b:Performance of the fertilization technology on sorghum production

Seasonal effects on Grain yield

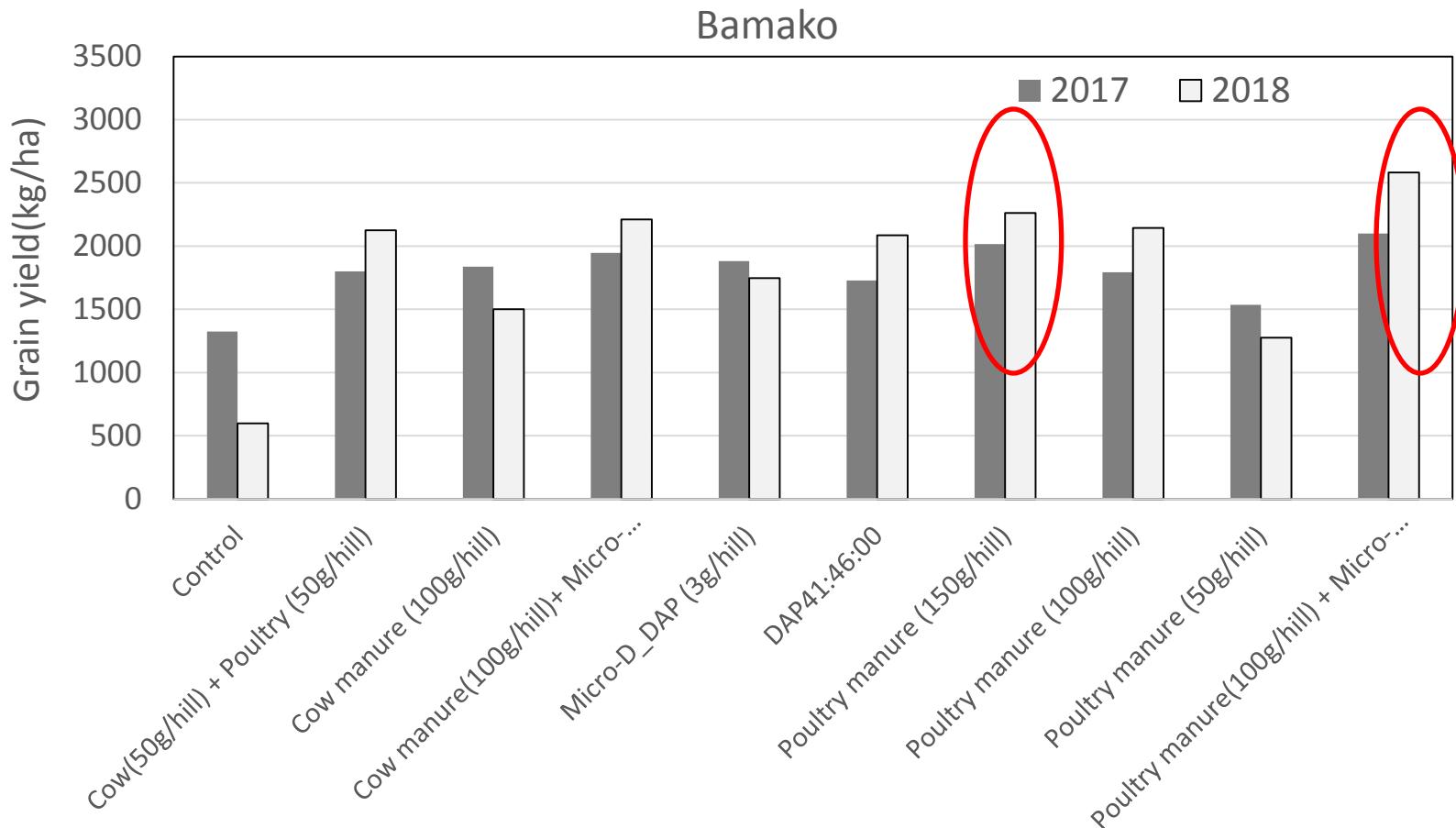


Fig.2c:Performance of the fertilization technology on sorghum production

Water use efficiency

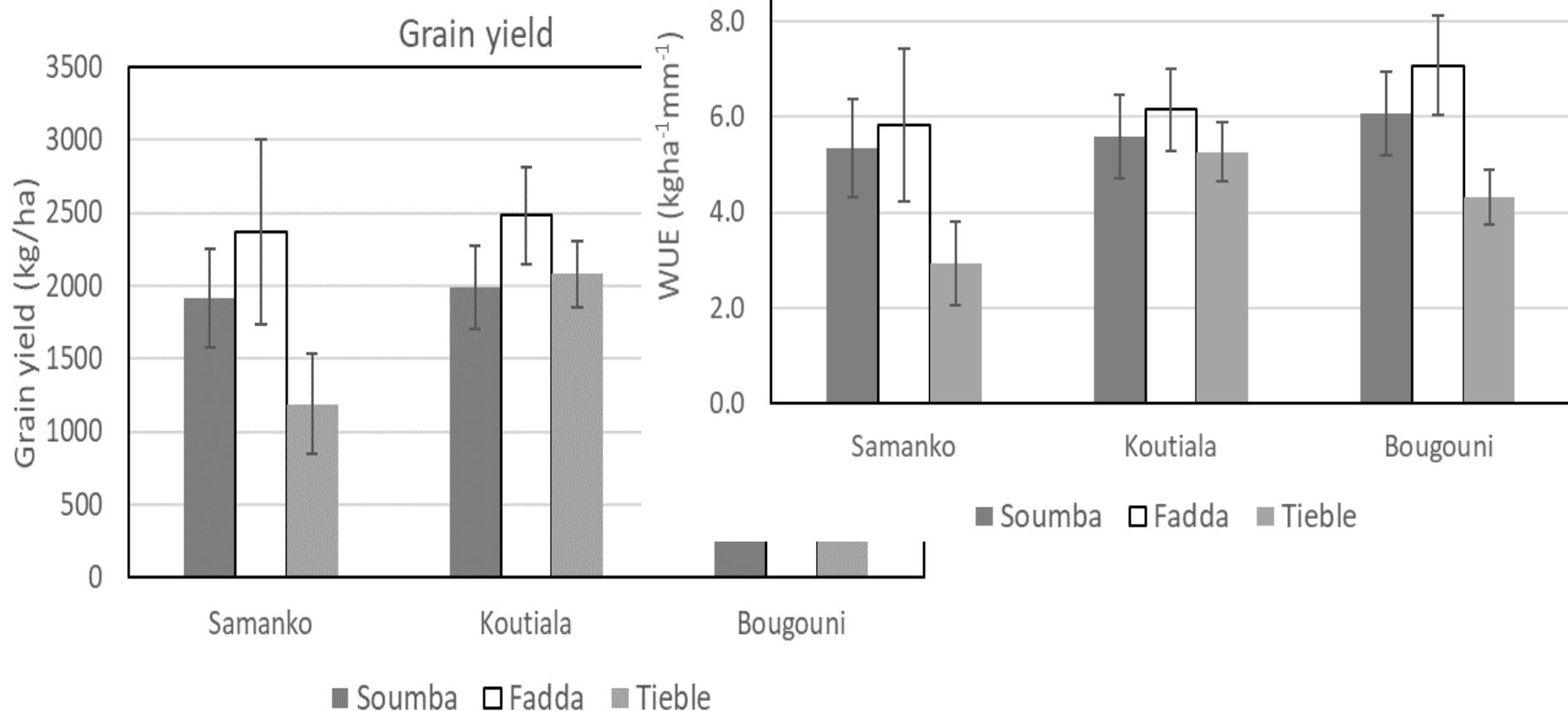


Fig.3: Site effects on grain yield and water use efficiency (WUE) across sorghum varieties (mean of 2017 and 2018 growing seasons)



Table 1a: Effect of Fertilization technology on grain yield, Stover yield, Total water use and Water use efficiency

Code	Parameters	Grain yield	Stover Yield	TWU	WUE
	Fertilization (F)	Koutiala			
T ₁	Control	1782	10979	403	4.5
T ₂	Cow(50g/hill) + Poultry (50g/hill)	2316	11678	395	6.1
T ₃	Cow manure (100g/hill)	2134	8340	398	5.5
T ₄	Cow manure(100g/hill)+ Micro-D_DAP (3g/hill)	2462	10666	395	6.6
T ₅	Micro-D_DAP (3g/hill)	2025	9508	399	5.2
T ₆	DAP41:46:00	2256	9592	401	5.8
T ₇	Poultry manure (150g/hill)	2329	11795	395	6.0
T ₈	Poultry manure (100g/hill)	1906	9630	399	5.0
T ₉	Poultry manure (50g/hill)	2032	9578	400	5.2
T ₁₀	Poultry manure(100g/hill) + Micro-D_DAP(3g/hill)	2586	11703	392	6.8
	Mean	2183	11619	398	5.67
	LSD of F (P ≤ 0.05)	395**	3319 ^{ns}	5.03**	1.07**

Fertilization technology increase grain yield between 10% and 45% against no fertilizer (control)



Table 1b: Effect of Fertilization technology on grain yield, Stover yield, Total water use and Water use efficiency

Code	Parameters	Grain yield	Stover Yield	TWU	WUE
	Fertilization (F)	Bougouni			
T ₁	Control	1520	7720	345	4.4
T ₂	Cow(50g/hill) + Poultry (50g/hill)	2210	10230	350	6.3
T ₃	Cow manure (100g/hill)	1810	8489	351	5.2
T ₄	Cow manure(100g/hill)+ Micro-D_DAP (3g/hill)	2240	10880	354	6.3
T ₅	Micro-D_DAP (3g/hill)	2070	9564	355	5.8
T ₆	DAP41:46:00	2114	10421	342	6.2
T ₇	Poultry manure (150g/hill)	2258	10890	346	6.5
T ₈	Poultry manure (100g/hill)	1884	8599	346	5.5
T ₉	Poultry manure (50g/hill)	1852	8194	345	5.3
T ₁₀	Poultry manure(100g/hill) + Micro-D_DAP(3g/hill)	2384	10248	353	6.8
	Mean	2034	9524	349	5.82
	LSD of F (P ≤ 0.05)	363**	1816**	12.5 ^{ns}	1.05**

Fertilization technology increase grain yield between 19% and 57% against no fertilizer (control)



Table 1b: Effect of Fertilization technology on grain yield, Stover yield, Total water use and

Water use efficiency

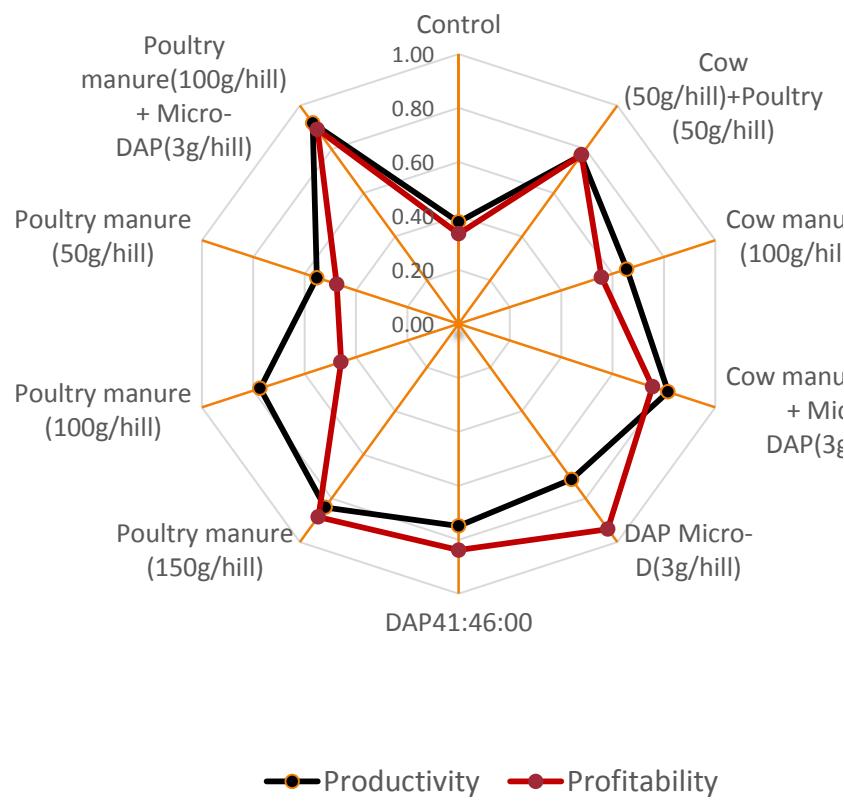
Code	Parameters	Grain yield	Stover Yield	TWU	WUE
	Fertilization (F)	Samanko			
T ₁	Control	961	3637	404	2.4
T ₂	Cow(50g/hill) + Poultry (50g/hill)	1962	6667	395	5.1
T ₃	Cow manure (100g/hill)	1669	5454	399	4.2
T ₄	Cow manure(100g/hill)+ Micro-D_DAP (3g/hill)	2078	7182	395	5.4
T ₅	Micro-D_DAP (3g/hill)	1813	5175	397	4.6
T ₆	DAP41:46:00	1906	5110	394	4.9
T ₇	Poultry manure (150g/hill)	2140	6488	393	5.6
T ₈	Poultry manure (100g/hill)	1969	7138	392	5.2
T ₉	Poultry manure (50g/hill)	1405	5610	394	3.7
T ₁₀	Poultry manure(100g/hill) + Micro-D_DAP(3g/hill)	2341	6901	394	6.0
	Mean	1824	5936	396.0	4.7
	LSD of F (P ≤ 0.05)	450**	1293**	4.38**	1.2**

Fertilization technology increase grain yield between 46% and 144% against no fertilizer (control)



Sustainable Intensification (SI) domain

Trade-off Analysis of the fertilization Technology in Bamako



Trade-off Analysis of the fertilization Technology in Koutiala and Bougouni

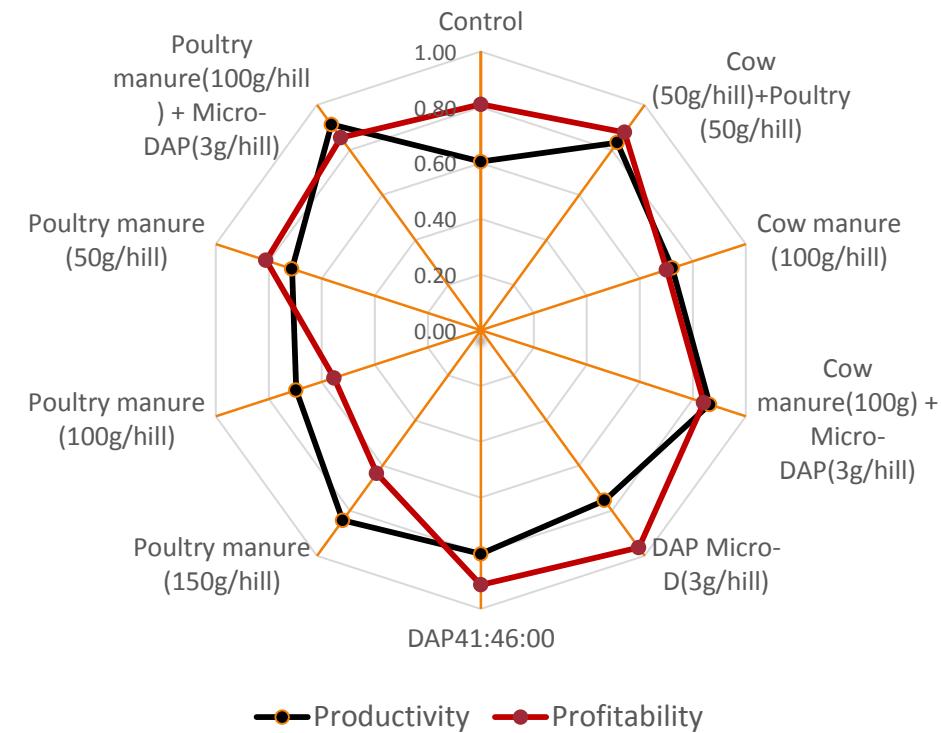




Table 4: Enterprise Decision of Sorghum production under different fertility management in Sudan savanna agroecological zone of Mali(mean of 2017 and 2018 growing seasons)

Site/Treatment	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	T ₆	T ₇	T ₈	T ₉	T ₁₀
Koutiala										
Cost of production (CFA/ha)	123,900	235,150	222,789	264,121	165,232	208,530	309,317	247,511	185,706	288,843
Return (CFA/ha)	378,728	492,174	453,398	523,222	430,313	479,424	494,889	405,049	431,729	549,549
Net Income (CFA/ha)	254,828	257,024	230,609	259,101	265,080	270,894	185,572	157,538	246,024	260,705
Benefit cost Ratio	2.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.6	1.3	0.6	0.6	1.3	0.9
Break-even yield at current price (kg/ha)	991	1,881	1,782	2,113	1,322	1,668	2,475	1,980	1,486	2,311
Bougouni										
Cost of production (CFA/ha)	123,900	235,150	222,789	264,121	165,232	208,530	309,317	247,511	185,706	288,843
Return (CFA/ha)	323,030	469,566	384,595	475,911	439,905	449,260	479,748	400,267	393,627	506,635
Net Income (CFA/ha)	199,130	234,416	161,807	211,790	274,672	240,730	170,432	152,756	207,921	217,792
Benefit cost Ratio	1.6	1.0	0.7	0.8	1.7	1.2	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.8
Break-even yield at current price (kg/ha)	991	1,881	1,782	2,113	1,322	1,668	2,475	1,980	1,486	2,311
Samanko										
Cost of production (CFA/ha)	127,600	238,850	226,489	267,821	168,932	212,230	251,211	313,017	189,406	292,543
Return (CFA/ha)	204,266	417,014	354,592	441,610	385,351	405,087	454,706	418,351	298,589	497,409
Net Income (CFA/ha)	76,666	178,164	128,103	173,789	216,419	192,857	203,495	105,334	109,184	204,866
Benefit cost Ratio	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	1.3	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.7
Break-even yield at current price (kg/ha)	1,021	1,911	1,812	2,143	1,351	1,698	2,010	2,504	1,515	2,340

T₁ - Control; T₂ -Cow(50g/hill) + Poultry(50g/hill); T₃- Cow manure (100g/hill); T₄ - Cow manure (100g/hill)+ Micro-D_DAP(3g/hill);T₅-Micro-D_DAP (3g/hill); T₆- DAP41:46:00; T₇-Poultry manure (150g/hill); T₈-Poultry manure (100g/hill);T₉-Poultry manure (50g/hill);T₁₀- Poultry manure (100g/hill)+ Micro-D_DAP(3g/hill)



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