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Effect of Nitrogen Fertilization Levels and Irrigation on Calcium Content in Apple Fruits

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Treatments with increased amount of nitrogen fertilizer had less calcium content than those of conventional fertilization in 'Starkrimson' apple fruits. When CaCl solution was applied as tree spray, treatment of conventional fertilization had increased fruit calcium content and decreased occurrence of spotted disorders. Better in increasing fruit calcium content was secured in treatment of conventional nitrogen fertilization. The irrigation effect to sandy loam soil where 'Fuji' apple fruits were planted were observed in fruit enlargement and increase of calcium content in leaves and fruits.

Key words: Apple, Nitrogen fertilization, Calcium content, Irrigation, Spotted disorder

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(Hanger, 1979).

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Mineral content in fruits N level^z CaCl₂ spray N P K Ca Mg (%) $(\mu g \cdot g^{-1})$ $(\mu g \cdot g^{-1})$ (%) (%) <u>Peel</u> 0.40 bc^x 0.52 a 3N 0.040 ab 560 ab 1,280 a 3N 0.41 b 0.040 ab 0.49 a 410 bc 1,473 a 0.047 a 0.53 a 709 a 1,480 a 1N 0.46 a 1N 0.36 c 0.038 b 0.47 a 399 c 1,347 a

0.080 ab

0.081 ab

0.100 a

0.066 b

0.089 a

0.075 ab

0.097 a

0.064 b

<u>Flesh</u> 0.87 a

0.80 b

0.82 ab

0.83 ab

<u>Core</u>

1.14 a

1.06 a

1.10 a

1.10 a

168 ab

139 b

198 a

141 b

512 a

584 a

692 a

618 a

266 ab

249 ac

274 a

241 c

433 ab

431 ab

487 a

407 b

Table 1. Effect of amount of nitrogen fertilized and CaCl spray on mineral content of 'Starkrimson' apple fruits.

0.33 a

0.27 a

0.34 a

0.26 a

0.52 ab

0.47 ab

0.58 a

0.42 b

3N

3N

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x Mean separation within columns in each fruit part by Duncan's multiple range test, 5% level.

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Table 2. Effect of amount of nitrogen fertilized and CaCl spray on quality and occurrence of spotted disorders in 'Starkrimson' apple fruits.

N level ^z	CaCl ₂ spray ^y	Fruit wt.	Soluble solids(%)	Acidity (%)	Firmness (kg)	Spotted disorder(%)
3N	+	339 a	12.2	0.58 a	1.49 a	10.0 b
3N	-	286 b	12.2	0.53 a	1.45 a	22.0 a
1N	+	273 b	12.2	0.59 a	1.46 a	6.7 b
1N	-	269 b	12.2	0.54 a	1.49 a	10.3 b

² Amounts of nitrogen applied; 7.4 kg/10a(1N) and 22.2 kg/10a(3N).

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Table 3. Effect of irrigation on mineral concentrations(%) of leaf in 'Fuji' apple grown in sandy loam soil.

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Treatment	N	P	K	Ca	Mg
			June 23		
Irrigation	2.95	0.19	1.51	0.80*	0.24
Control	2.87	0.19	1.43	0.69	0.25
			<u>July 26</u>		
Irrigation	2,42	0.14	1.06	1.24	0.26
Control	2.50	0.13	1.11	1.10	0.27
			<u>Oct. 4</u>		
Irrigation	2.23	0.13	1.25	1.10	0.22
Control	2.14	0.11	1.16	1.10	0.24

² Maintained from pF 2.4 to 2.5 in soil moisture tension during growing season.

Table 4. Effect of irrigation on calcium concentration of 'Fuji' apple fruits grown in sandy loam soil.

Treatment ² -	Ca concentra	ation(µg·g¹)	g · g ¹) Ca content (
	Peel	Flesh	Peel	Flesh	
Irrigation	476	140	212	4.53*	
Control	492	122	1.96	356	

^z Maintained from pF 24 to 25 in soil moisture tension during growing season.

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Table 5. Effect of irrigation on fruit quality in 'Fuji' apple grown in sandy loam soil.

Treatment ^z	Fruit wt.	Soluble solids (%)	Acidity (%)	Firmness (kg)
Irrigation	275	14.7	0.40	153
Control	248	15.3	0.37	1.63

Maintained from pF 24 to 25 in soil moisture tension during growing season.

^{*} Significant by T-test at 5% level.

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