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NEMATODE SITUATION AND VARIETY TRIALS IN FINLAND

ABSTRACT

Many historical and structural facts on sugar beet farms have been limiting the crop rotation of those farms for years in Finland. And same time missing the good crop rotation has been increasing the nematode problems during the years in Finland. Nematodes were first recognized in Finland on 1960's and after that there have been many indications and studies that the populations are increasing.

In this short introduction to the nematode situation in Finland, we describe the nematode levels in different growing areas, the impact to the yield, and the use and yield levels of the nematode varieties in Finnish sugar beet growing conditions.