



Aspire® Potato Trial (Short-Season Variety)



Objective

- Evaluate potato yield response to Aspire® with Boron (0-0-58-0.5B) compared to MOP (0-0-60).

Overview

- Potassium (K) and boron (B) are key components of a potato nutrition program.
- Deficiencies of both K and B are often observed in coarse, well-drained, sandy soils.
- Boron is crucial for promoting tuber yield, internal quality and storability.
- Research has shown that K fertilizers containing micronutrients in a single granule provide improved nutrient distribution and increased crop nutrient uptake compared to conventional fertilizer blends.
- Aspire premium potash combines K and B in each granule to help achieve uniform nutrient distribution.

Trial Details

Locations and Crop Management:

CROP: Potato (*Solanum tuberosum*)

YEARS: 2016–2017

LOCATIONS: 2 trials – 1 trial per year in NC

DATA SOURCE: Field studies conducted by a third-party independent contractor.

EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN: Small-plot RCBD with 4 replications.

• **Soil Type:** Loamy sand

• **Cultivar:** Atlantic

CROPPING CONDITIONS:

• Nitrogen and phosphorus were applied to the entire trial.

• **K Rate:** 180 lbs K₂O/ac applied as MOP or Aspire

• **B Rate:** 1.0 or 1.5 lbs B/ac applied as Aspire. To achieve 180 lbs K₂O/ac, MOP was added to the Aspire (1.0 lb B/ac) treatment.

• **Application Method:** Preplant broadcast incorporated

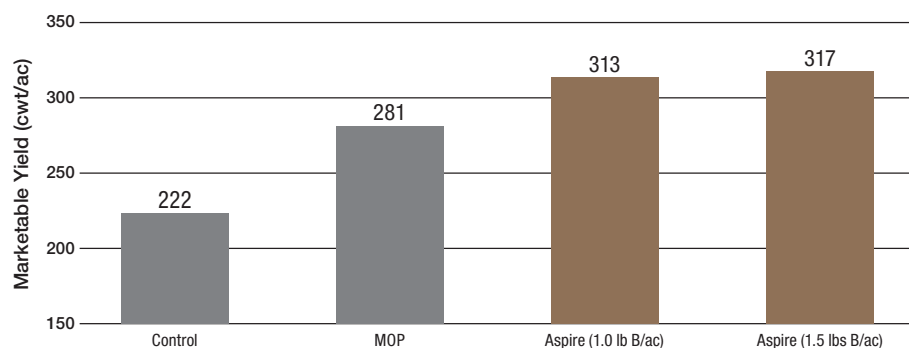
MARKETABLE YIELD:

• Size A (>1½ in) + Size B (1½–1¾ in)

36
cwt/ac

Increase with Aspire (1.5 lbs B/ac) over MOP

Results



Summary

- The trials were responsive to both K and B.
- Marketable yield with MOP was 59 cwt/ac (26.6%) higher than the control.
- Aspire (1.0 lb B/ac) increased marketable yield over MOP by 32 cwt/ac.
- Aspire (1.5 lbs B/ac) increased marketable yield over MOP by 36 cwt/ac.
- Higher yields were achieved using the Aspire treatment, demonstrating the benefits of B and uniform nutrient distribution of this micronutrient.



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WARNING: Contains boron. Use of boron may result in crop injury. DO NOT place this product in direct contact with the seed.

For more information, go to AspireBoron.com.

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