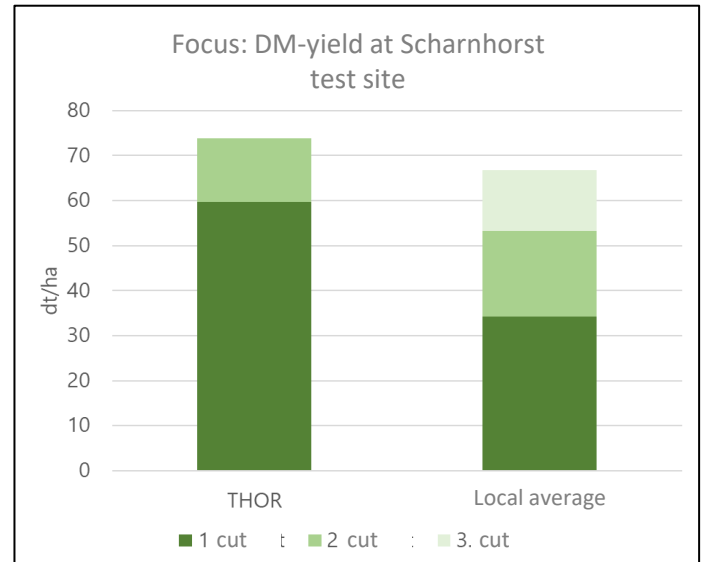


Variety Description

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THOR

Species	Red clover
Botanical name	Trifolium pratense
Ploidy	2
Seeding rate	25–30 kg/ha
Distance between rows	Similar to cereals
Sowing period	March to August
Sowing depth	1–2 cm



Variety description

THOR is a variety bred in Europe which was selected from the so-called “single-cut” types. The diploid variety requires sufficiently long days in order to induce flowering. As a single-cut variety, THOR does not typically flower before 20 June. A sensible upper limit for cutting is 2-3 harvests per year. THOR is characterised by a modest and late development early on, a feature that also makes it particularly attractive for undersowing. Furthermore, the variety also exhibits very late flowering and yields that are particularly high in the first cut, with a maximum of 1-2 subsequent, lower-yield cuts.

Most important characteristics

Modest and late development after sowing
Late flowering
Lion’s share of yield in the first cut, with a max. of 1-2 subsequent, lower-yield cuts

Usage

So-called “single-cut” varieties of red clover are native to northerly latitudes and are used for arable feed crop production in the shorter summers of those regions due to the significantly shorter growing season and low temperatures. A growing demand for these varieties is being observed in central Europe, for use in the following applications:

- Increasing demand for undersowing
- Use in fallow mixtures with potential fodder applications
- Components of extensive flowering and greening mixtures to promote biodiversity

