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Low-dose, late-season foliar fertilisation can have biostimulatory properties in well-fertilised crops. This phenomenon is observed in field experiments with maize and soybean.



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