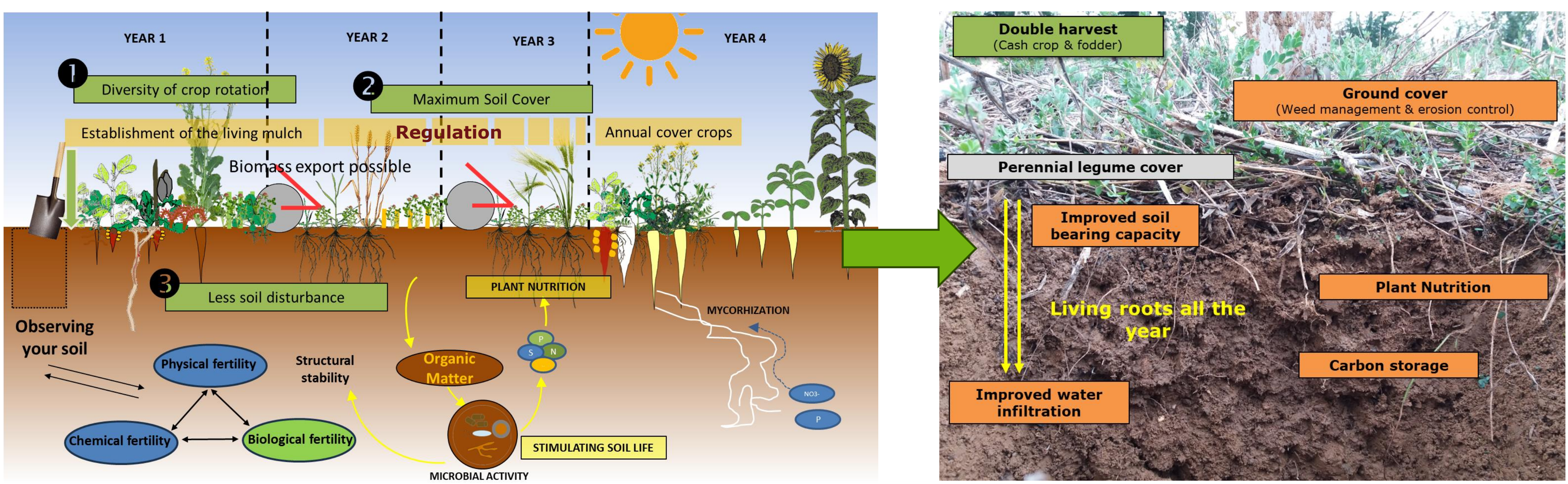


Direct seeding with living mulch of permanent legumes cover : practices and benefits

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Concept Overview



Possible legumes

| | White Clover | | | | Red Clover | | | | Alfalfa | | | | Birdsfood | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|----------------------------------|--|--|--|----------------|--|--|--|----------------|--|--|--|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seeding rate | 2.5 to 3 kg/ha | | | | 6 to 8 kg/ha | | | | 8 to 10 kg/ha | | | | 8 to 10 kg/ha | | | |
| Sowing depth | 0.5 to 1 cm | | | | 0.5 to 1 cm | | | | 0.5 to 1 cm | | | | 0.5 to 1 cm | | | |
| Soil type (pH) | < 7 | | | | < 7 | | | | < 7 | | | | < 7 | | | |
| | 7 | | | | 7 | | | | 7 | | | | 7 | | | |
| Growth dynamics | W | | | | W | | | | W | | | | W | | | |
| | S | | | | S | | | | S | | | | S | | | |
| Installation speed | Pretty fast | | | | Fast | | | | Pretty fast | | | | Slow | | | |
| | 3-4 years | | | | 2-3 years | | | | 3 à 6 years | | | | 3-4 years | | | |
| Competition for crops | Medium to high | | | | Medium to high | | | | Medium to high | | | | Weak to medium | | | |
| Aphanomyces Sensitivity | Sensitivity according to variety | | | | Sensitivity according to variety | | | | Sensitive | | | | Tolerant | | | |
| Herbicide Susceptibility | Medium to high | | | | Medium | | | | Medium to Low | | | | Weak | | | |

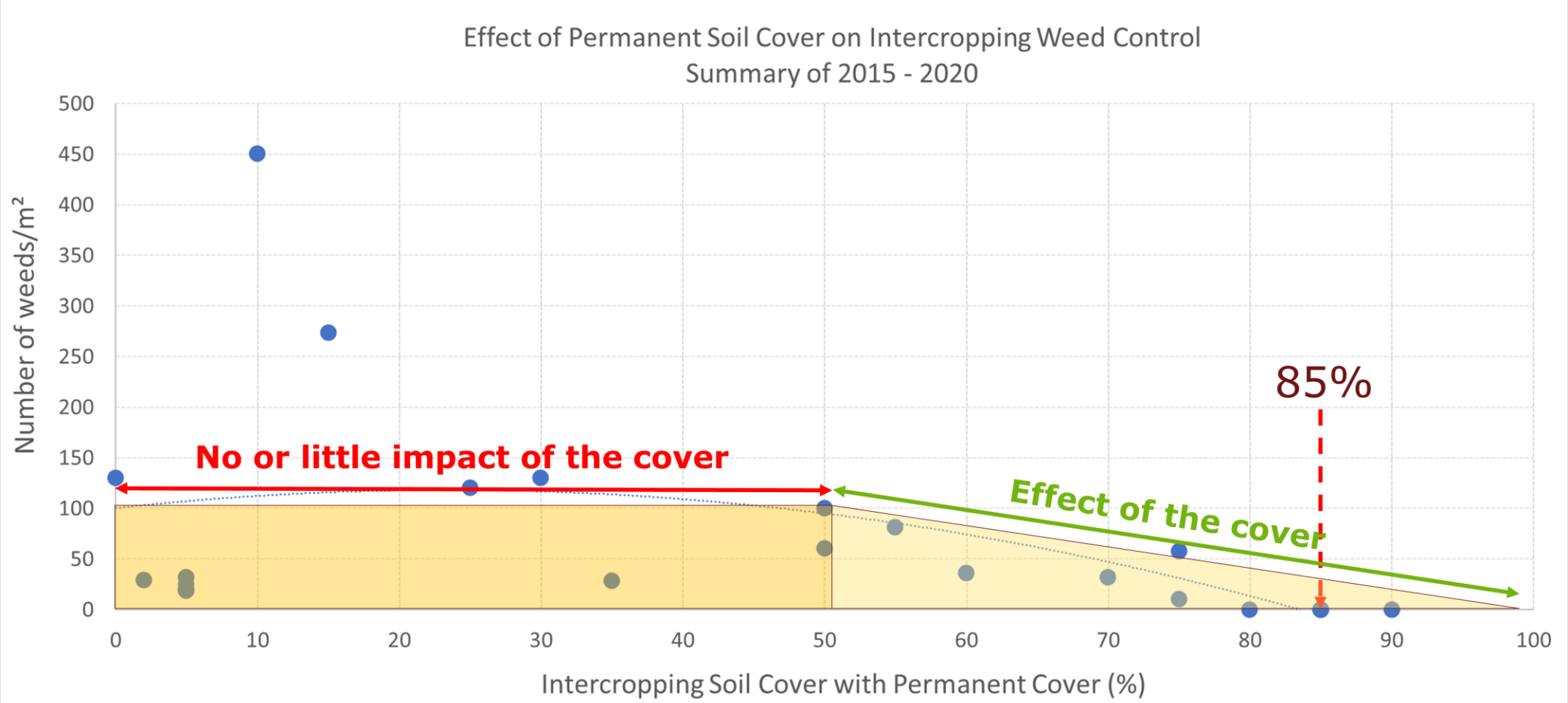
Legend:
- Adapted (solid line), Possible (dashed line)
- Vegetative arrest (red)
- Growth (yellow)
- Active growth (green)



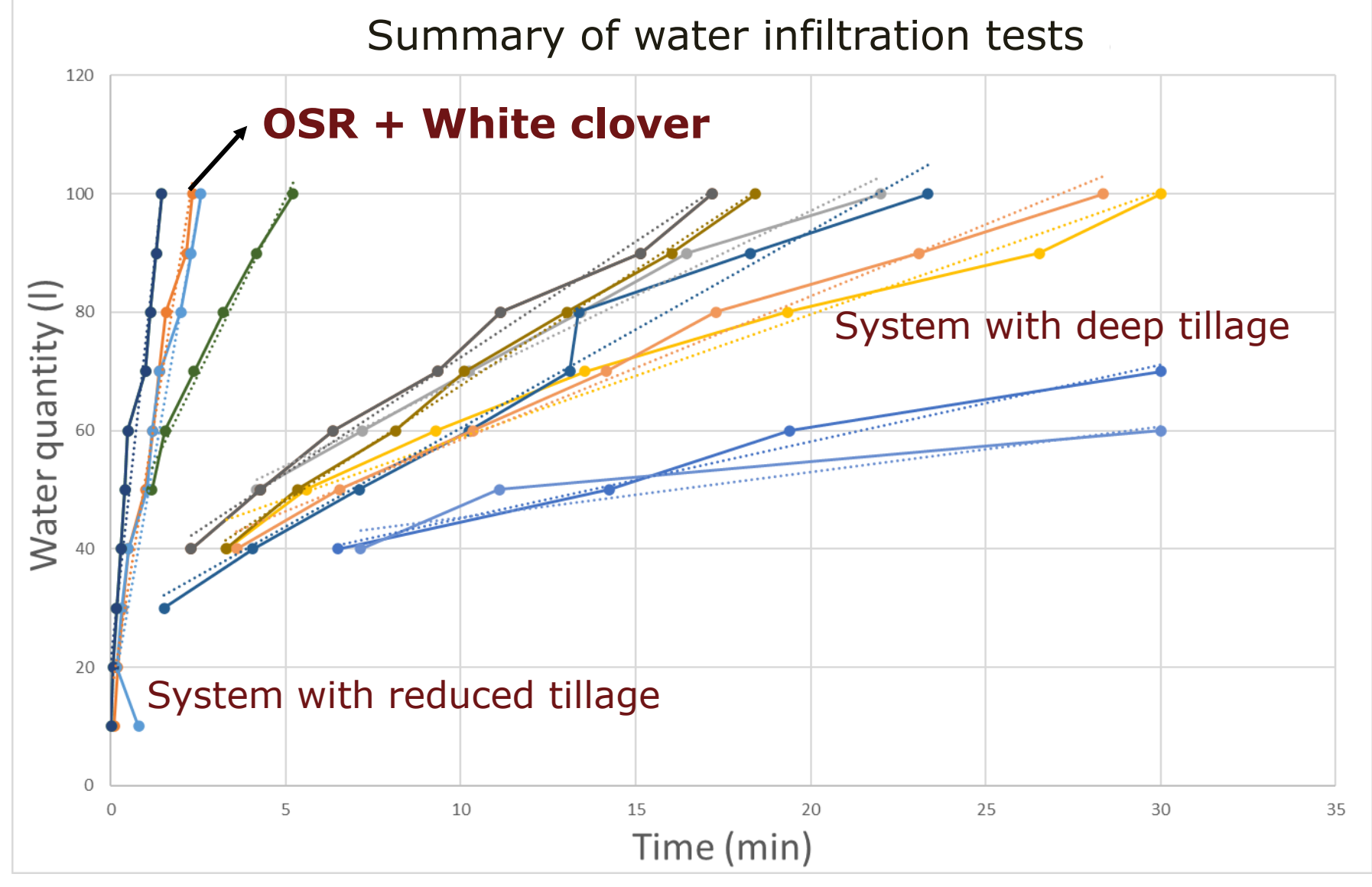
Winter oilseed rape + Birdsfood

Results

Weed management



Water circulation



Absence of compaction, effect of roots and earthworm's galleries