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INTRODUCTION

The conference, which is the fifth in this series, provides data and commentary at a time when the industry starts to develop advice on farm decision-making for 2015 and beyond. It provides a major platform for the dissemination of recent developments in crop production to advisers and practitioners.

The first day consists of papers that discuss data from experiments that may directly influence field decision making in 2015 and beyond. Sessions continue all day, with 30 minute breaks in between and the provided packed lunch can be eaten within the session should the delegates wish to hear all the papers. Posters can be viewed at the breaks between the sessions and after the end of the last session. Tea and coffee will be available all day.

The second day consists of more strategic papers and has a more conventional timetable. The papers range in content from those with a high biological science focus to those that address future cropping systems, pesticide registration and resistance as well as key practical issues of crop management. The day includes the presentation of the BCPC awards.

Themes for the major field crops that are likely to feature throughout the conference are:

- Crop management, with special emphasis on site-specific input management
- Disease control
- Pest control
- The cultural and chemical control of black-grass
- Crop nutrition
- A themed session to commemorate 25 years of the Weed Resistance Action Group
- Pesticide registration, with special reference to resistance management

Presentations and posters from this Conference are produced in volume 127 of the *Aspects of Applied Biology* series. Copies are available to delegates at the Conference.

Jim Orson
Conference Organiser

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