

Supplemental materials

Table S1 Estimation of greenhouse gas emissions [1, 2]

Source	Emission factor (EF, kg kg ⁻¹)			fraction of N lost (%)	Emission (CO ₂ eq kg ha ⁻¹)				
	N	P ₂ O ₅	K ₂ O		CK	OM	NPK	NPK-H	NPKOM
Production	8.21 [3]	0.73 [2]	0.50 [2]	/	0	0	2217	4434	1108
Transport	0.09 [3]	0.06 [2]	0.05 [2]	/	0	0	38	75	19
Direct N ₂ O									
Chemical N	0.0175 [4]	/	/	/	0	0	2049	4098	1024
Organic N	0.0261 [4]	/	/	/	0	3813	0	0	1919
Indirect N ₂ O									
Leaching	0.011 [1]	/	/	14.53 [5]	0	234	187	374	211
Runoff	0.011 [1]	/	/	8.20 [6]	0	132	106	211	119

GHG (CO₂ equivalent) generated from the production (GHG_{Pr}) and transportation (GHG_{Tr}) of chemical fertilizers:

$$\text{GHG}_{\text{Pr}} \text{ or } \text{GHG}_{\text{Tr}} = \sum_{i=N,P,K}^3 \text{EF}_i \times F_i \quad (1)$$

The direct emission of N₂O (dE_{N2O}) from the application of chemical and organic N fertilizers:

$$\text{dE}_{\text{N2O}} = \sum_{i=\text{organic N, chemical N}}^2 \text{EF}_i \times F_{Ni} \quad (2)$$

The indirect N₂O emissions (idE_{N2O}) caused by the application of N fertilizers:

$$\text{idE}_{\text{N2O}} = F_N \times (14.53\% + 8.20\%) \times 0.011 \quad (3)$$

Conversion of direct and indirect emission of N₂O (dE_{N2O}) to CO₂ equivalent greenhouse gas emission (GHG_{FN}):

$$\text{GHG}_{\text{FN}} = (\text{dE}_{\text{N2O}} + \text{idE}_{\text{N2O}}) \times \frac{44}{28} \times 298 \quad (4)$$

The total emission (GHG) from production, transportation and application of fertilizer:

$$\text{GHG}_A = \text{GHG}_{Pr} + \text{GHG}_{Tr} + \text{GHG}_{FN} \quad (5)$$

Conversion to yield and profit scaled GHG_Y and GHG_P :

$$\text{GHG}_Y = \text{GHG}_A \div \text{Yield} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{GHG}_P = \text{GHG}_A \div \text{Profit} \quad (7)$$

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