

Pulse Research and Development in Canada

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The University of Saskatchewan and the Province of Saskatchewan have had active research and development focus on introduction of pulse crops / grain legumes since the mid-1970s. Lentil, pea, chickpea, dry bean, and most recently soybean and faba bean have been successfully introduced into a predominantly cereal-oilseed cropping system. The pulse crops now occupy 15-20% of the land base. This agricultural transition was made possible through voluntary integration of research by a growing number of research entities. Many applied biological research disciplines are now involved. This effort was s underpinned by the recognition of the biological and economic advantages, and more recently, nutritional advantages of including annual legumes in production systems.

References

http://knowpulse.usask.ca/portal/