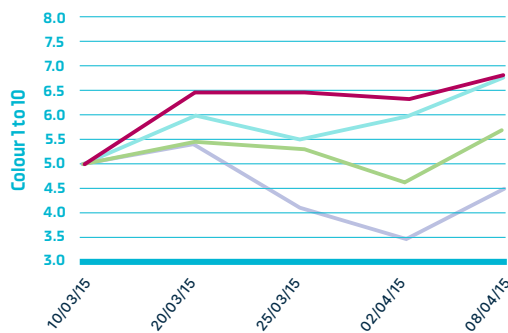




Introduction

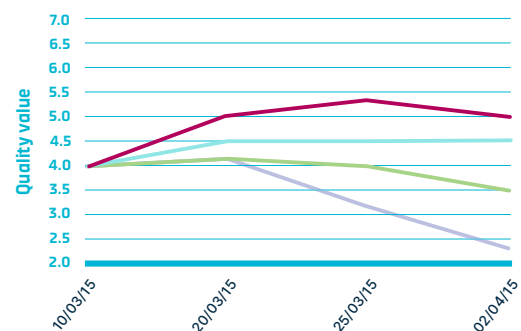
- Objective:** To review the performance of various fine turf spring fertilisers applied very early in spring (10 March 2015)
- Duration:** March - April 2015
- Location:** Leeds, West Yorkshire
- Field site:** The trial was situated on the practice ground chipping green
- Design:** Block design, fully randomised with 3 replications

Turf colour



The Cold Start formulation produced the strongest immediate turf colour response

Turf quality



The Cold Start formulation maintained the best turf quality after the early spring application

- **Cold Start** 11-5-5+8Fe @ 25g/m²
- **Pot Nit WSF** 15-0-43 @ 18g/m²
- **Turf Tonic** 8-0-0+3MgO+3Fe @ 35g/m²
- **Untreated**

Summary

- The treatments were applied in March before a cold spell of early spring weather.
- Strong responses were noted despite the cold early spring weather.
- Clear differences were noted in the response to the treatments even though N levels were the same.
- The Cold Start 11-5-5+8Fe provoked and sustained a strong colour and quality response through the month after the early March treatment.
- Turf Tonic 8-0-0+3MgO+3Fe produced stronger results as time passed.
- The Potassium Nitrate produced a slight NDVI blip early on but did not produce any marked result otherwise.
- The untreated turf deteriorated rapidly without a fertiliser treatment.