اسمدة متقدم 9

Urea-Formaldehyde (UF) --38% N -Largest share world wide\* -I<sup>ST</sup>. group on which research concerning slow-\* release of N was carried out In 1924 in Germany In 1947 in USA \*Commercial production began 1955. \*Five types of the product are manufactured In USA

# It is formed by :-Formaldehyde + Excess urea controlled condition

Mixture of methylene urea with different Long polymers (hand out –table 1p.20 in controlled –release and stabilized fertilizers in agr., U F solubility)

### **Different Chain Lengths**

#### Methylene Urea

N-C-N

N-C-N-C-N-C-N

N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N

N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N

Urea Formaldehyde

#### N-C-N

N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N

N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N

## **Chain Length Determines Solubility**

The longer the chain, the less soluble it is, and the slower it will be mineralized. Some may be so long that they are essentially insoluble, and won't break down.

### Products

Formolene 30-0-2 FLUF 18-0-0 Nitro 26 CRN 26-0-0 Nitroform (Powder Blue, Blue Chip) 38-0-0 CoRoN 28-0-0 (25% of total N is urea)

### **Ureaform and Methylene Urea**

\*Designed to release N for 8-12 weeks

\*Contains unreacted urea, fast greening

\*Requires soil microbial activity

- temperature sensitive, soil at 78° F is four times as active as soil at 42° F

- moisture sensitive

\*Seasonal response

### Mineralization

The decomposition of complex, N-containing organic molecules and the resulting release of NH<sub>4</sub>

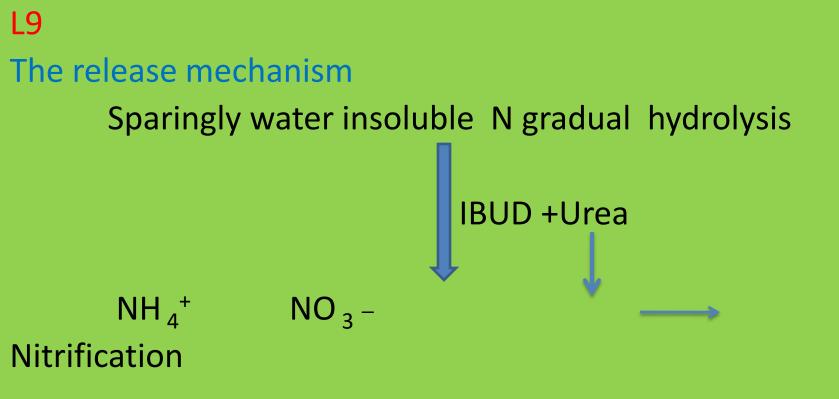
#### The release pattern of N from UF is a

- multi-steps process
- **Dissolution and decomposion**
- \*some proportion of N slowly release (fraction I) followed by amore gradual release over period of several month (3-4 mon.) (fraction II) depending on the type of product.
- \*Release pattern depends temp., H<sub>2</sub>O, and
- soil organisms.

Isobutylidene diurea (I B D U )- 32% N . It is formed by :-Isobutyraldehde (liquid ) + urea Condensation

#### IBDU

### Theoretical N content is 32.18% The AAPFCO definition requires a min. of 30% of which 90% is cold water insoluble ( prior to grinding ).



- The release mechanism
- Sparingly water insoluble N
- gradual hydrolysis
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- IBUD +Urea
- $NH_4^+$   $NO_3^-$
- Nitrification

- The rate of N release is function of
- a- particle size
- as particle size , the rate of N release
- b- moisture , Temp., and PH .
- Agronomic response and safety margin
- good with turf
- Green house crops :-
- Phyto toxicity has been some time observed,

- Crotonylidan diurea (CDU)---32% N
- It is formed by acid catalyzed RX. of urea and
- Acetic aldehydes . When dissolved in water it gradually decompose to urea and crotonaldehyde.
- As particle size decrease ,the of N release increase
- CDU is decompose by both hydrolysis and microbial
- Process in soil.
- Rate of release depends on :-
- -Temp. ,soil moisture ,and biological activity in soil
- Even in acid soil degradation is slower than that of IBUD
- Produce in Japan