

Workshop on apple agroforestry systems at Wakelyns:

This event, to be held on 14th December 2011, will explore the potential of integrating top fruit and arable production using agroforestry. [More....](#)

First SOLIBAM project newsletter launched:

The first newsletter of the EU-funded research project Strategies for Organic and Low-Input Integrated Breeding and Management (SOLIBAM), has been published. [More...](#)

New guide to farmer experiences with homoeopathy:

Homoeopathy at Wellie Level (HAWL) have published a new guide to practical experiences with homoeopathy on farms. [More...](#)

Results of Potato Virus Y study published:

One of the most serious diseases of potato is caused by Potato Virus Y (PVY)... [More...](#)

New reduced tillage research project starts at ORC:

In September 2011, the Organic Research Centre began work on a new project – “Reduced tillage and green manures for sustainable organic cropping systems”... [More...](#)

CAP Reform proposals mean big changes for organic farming support from 2014:

ORC researchers present policy analysis to OCW's Welsh Organic Conference. [More...](#)

Portuguese develop new organic action plan:

ORC's Nic Lampkin attended a conference on a future national policy for organic farming in Lisbon on 18th November, marking the start of Portuguese organic week... [More...](#)

IFOAM EU conference on resource efficiency and food security:

ORC's Susanne Padel attended the IFOAM EU Group's conference in Brussels on 9th November 2011... [More...](#)

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In 2010, ORC produced a review for the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation of the European and other OECD experiences with agri-environment schemes as a model for paying producers for ecosystem services and public goods. This has been published as: Lampkin, N. (2011) Relevance of OECD agri-environmental measures for PES. In: Ottaviani, D. & Scialabba, N el-H (eds.) [Payments for Ecosystem Services and Food Security](#). Food and Agriculture Organisation, Rome. pp.45-67.

ORC submits evidence on CAP Greening to EFRA Select Committee:

ORC has also submitted evidence to the House of Commons Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (EFRA) select committee [inquiry](#) into the impacts of the proposed Greening element of the direct payments, which will be taking [oral evidence](#) in November. Our evidence, and the results of the Inquiry, will be published in due course.

Registration open for ORC conference:

You can register now for the ORC's annual organic producers' conference, to be held from 18-19 January 2012 at Aston University in Birmingham. Early bird discounted prices have one more month left to run. [More...](#)

2011/12 Organic Farm Management Handbook:

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