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Agricultural Water-Saving Effects of Soil Mulching

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Soil mulching is an efficient agronomic practice in agricultural production, especially in arid and semi-arid regions such as northwest China. Soil mulching plays a prominent role in regulating soil temperature, conserving water, and increasing the soil's ability to resist agricultural disasters, thereby ensuring an increased and stable crop yield. As it has a huge population, China encourages the application and promotion of mulching practices. However, it is often not possible to fully take into account various factors such as weather forecasts, irrigation amount, crop yield, environmental impact, ecological protection, and economic efficiency in practical applications. As a result, the application of mulching practices is not as effective as it could be. Therefore[...] For more details, please see:

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- Straw mulching and plastic film mulching;
- Water cycle process under soil mulching;
- Water-saving potential of soil mulching;
- Mulching effects on soil micro-environment.



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