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Use of Jerusalem artichoke tops silage to replace corn silage in sheep diet

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Highlights

- The fermentation quality of Jerusalem artichoke tops silage (JATS) was good.
- Feeding JATS, up to 540 g/kg diet DM, was possible in sheep.
- The use of JATS did not change feed intake and diet digestibility.
- With offering JATS, blood urea-N of sheep increased slightly.
- JATS could be used as a replacement for corn silage in certain circumstances.

ABSTRACT

This study was performed to assess the effects of dietary substitution of different levels of Jerusalem artichoke (*Helianthus tuberosus*) tops silage (JATS) for corn silage (CS) on feed intake, digestibility, rumen parameters, blood metabolites, microbial nitrogen

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