

Review of: "Influences of Crop Geometry and Nitrogen Application on Growth, Yield, Fodder Value, and Quality of Baby Corn: A Review"

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-The manuscript provides useful insights into the influences of crop geometry and nitrogen application on the growth and yield of baby corn. However, the manuscript would improve if the authors addressed the following comments:

-The objective and justification for the study are not clearly articulated in the abstract, and the authors should address this in the manuscript.

-The method used in the selection of literature is also not clear, and this should be addressed by the authors to help guide the repetition of the study in the future.

-The literature reviewed and data provided in the study do not support the fodder quality part of the title of the manuscript; hence, the authors should either revise the title or revise the manuscript to provide information on fodder quality.

-In Figure 3, revise the figure to include the volume of export for each country in the figure.

-The manuscript provides insights in terms of crop geometry and N fertilizer application for baby corn production but does not address the ambiguity surrounding the topic. For example, the authors stated that "Therefore, the optimum nitrogen fertilizer rate has to be worked out for better growth and yield of a crop," but this was not addressed by the study.

-The manuscript also does not describe the research gap and future direction of research, given that many African countries started the production of baby corn recently and information on its agronomy is limited in Africa.

-The conclusion section needs major revision to provide clear guidance on the optimum crop geometry and N fertilizer rate for baby corn production, especially in Africa.