Growth and Yield of Baby corn (*Zea mays* L.) as influenced by Intercropping with Fodders

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ABSTRACT

A field experiment was carried out at the Agricultural College Farm, Bapatla to study the Baby corn (Zea mays L.) performance as Vegetable-cum-fodder in intercropping with fodders during rabi, 2006-07. Among all the treatments, paired row planting of baby corn resulted in significantly higher number of ears plant 1, ear weight and baby corn yield and it was found to be on a par with normal row planting of baby corn. However, introducing cowpea as an intercrop in paired rows of baby corn was beneficial with higher baby corn ear equivalent yield, total drymatter accumulation and total green and dry fodder yields without any reduction in ear yield.

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