Ruminant Preference and Daily Response When Fed PM vs AM Forages . (C06-burns135305-Oral)

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Abstract:

Plants accumulate photosynthate during the daylight hours to be subsequently used for their growth, reproduction and basic respiration. Sugar accumulation in forage plants could improve the nutritive value of the forage when grazed or harvested and stored as feed. This should also improved forage quality. A forage management strategy that takes advantage of this concept will be presented and discussed relative to animal preference, dry matter intake and digestion and daily animal performance.

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