

Table 1 Chemical composition of fallen leaves of *Quercus rugosa* treated with different levels of urea and molasses

Content	0% Molasses				15% Molasses				30% Molasses				45% Molasses						
	Urea, %				0	2	4	6	0	2	4	6	0	2	4	6	0	2	4
Ash, %	7.8 ^e	6.3 ^g	6.0 ^{gh}	5.8 ^h	8.0 ^{de}	7.33 ^f	7.3 ^f	7.2 ^f	9.3 ^a	8.7 ^c	8.2 ^d	8.0 ^{de}	9.0 ^{ab}	8.9 ^{bc}	9.1 ^{ab}	8.9 ^{bc}			
Crude Protein, %	1.9 ^k	7.5 ^h	11.7 ^e	17.2 ^c	2.7 ^j	7.9 ^h	12.0 ^e	17.8 ^b	3.6 ⁱ	8.5 ^g	13.2 ^d	17.9 ^{ab}	8.9 ^g	9.4 ^f	13.4 ^d	18.2 ^a			
Ether Extract, %	1.6 ^a	1.4 ^{bc}	1.1 ^{def}	0.9 ^f	1.5 ^{ab}	1.3 ^{bcd}	1.0 ^{ef}	1.1 ^f	1.4 ^{bc}	1.3 ^{bcd}	1.2 ^{cde}	1.2 ^{cde}	1.3 ^{bc}	1.2 ^{cde}	1.2 ^{cde}	1.2 ^{cde}			
NDF, %	67.7 ^{ab}	70.3 ^a	69.7 ^a	69.5 ^a	63.6 ^{bcd}	62.7 ^{bcd}	67.3 ^{ab}	64.2 ^{bc}	59.1 ^{cde}	58.5 ^{def}	59.8 ^{cde}	58.0 ^{ef}	53.8 ^{fg}	60.1 ^{cde}	57.6 ^{efg}	52.6 ^g			
ADF, %	62.1 ^{ab}	64.1 ^a	64.7 ^a	64.8 ^a	57.9 ^{bc}	56.6 ^{bcd}	60.2 ^{ab}	56.3 ^{bcd}	53.0 ^{cdef}	53.5 ^{cdef}	52.0 ^{cdef}	50.5 ^{ef}	48.6 ^g	51.8 ^{def}	49.8 ^g	44.4 ^g			
Hemicellulose, %	5.6 ^{bcd}	6.2 ^{abcd}	4.9 ^d	4.7 ^d	5.6 ^{bcd}	6.1 ^{abcd}	7.0 ^{abcd}	7.9 ^{ab}	6.1 ^{abcd}	5.0 ^d	7.7 ^{ab}	7.4 ^{abc}	5.2 ^{cd}	8.3 ^a	7.8 ^{ab}	8.2 ^a			
NFC, %	20.90 ^{bcd}	14.3 ^{fg}	11.4 ^{fgh}	6.4 ^h	24.1 ^{ab}	20.6 ^{bcd}	12.4 ^{fg}	9.7 ^{hg}	26.7 ^a	22.8 ^{abc}	17.6 ^{ed}	14.8 ^{ef}	26.8 ^a	20.3 ^{bcd}	18.9 ^{cde}	19.0 ^{cde}			
ME, MJ kg ⁻¹	3.3 ^h	3.8 ^{gh}	3.8 ^{gh}	4.2 ^{efgh}	4.2 ^{efgh}	4.2 ^{efgh}	4.6 ^{defg}	5.4 ^{cde}	5.0 ^{defg}	5.0 ^{def}	5.9 ^{bcd}	6.7 ^{abc}	6.9 ^b	6.7 ^{ab}	6.8 ^{ab}	7.5 ^a			
NEI, MJ kg ⁻¹	0.4 ^{fg}	0.4 ^{fg}	0.4 ^g	0.8 ^{efg}	1.3 ^{def}	0.8 ^{efg}	0.8 ^{efg}	2.1 ^{cde}	1.3 ^{def}	1.3 ^{def}	2.1 ^{bcd}	3.3 ^a	2.9 ^b	2.8 ^{bc}	2.9 ^b	3.8 ^a			
SCFA, mmol	0.1 ^e	0.1 ^e	0.1 ^e	0.1 ^e	0.3 ^{cde}	0.2 ^{de}	0.2 ^{de}	0.4 ^{bcd}	0.3 ^{cde}	0.3 ^{cde}	0.4 ^{abc}	0.7 ^b	0.6 ^{ab}	0.6 ^{ab}	0.6 ^{ab}	0.8 ^a			

NFC, non-fiber carbohydrates; SCFA, short chain fatty acid

SEM, standard error of the mean

a, b, c, d, f, g, h Means in a row with different letter superscripts are different (P<0.05)

Table 2 Kinetics of *in situ* degradability of fallen leaves of *Quercus rugosa* treated with different levels of molasses and urea

Concept	0% Molasses				15% Molasses				30% Molasses				45% Molasses			
	Urea, %				0	2	4	6	0	2	4	6	0	2	4	6
a , %	18.2 ^g	18.5 ^g	16.5 ^g	23.8 ^f	22.8 ^f	23.2 ^f	27.4 ^e	29.3 ^d	33.6 ^{bcd}	33.6 ^{bcd}	36.0 ^{ab}	33.4 ^{bcd}	33.7 ^{bcd}	35.0 ^{abcd}	36.8 ^a	35.7 ^{abc}
b , %	13.7 ^{bcd}	13.3 ^{bcd}	20.8 ^a	14.2 ^{bcd}	17.9 ^{ab}	18.2 ^{ab}	18.0 ^{ab}	17.2 ^{ab}	7.9 ^d	8.3 ^d	10.1 ^{cd}	13.5 ^{bcd}	12.6 ^{cd}	13.7 ^{bc}	11.23 ^{cd}	22.3 ^a
a+b , %	31.9 ^g	31.8 ^g	37.3 ^f	38.0 ^f	40.8 ^{ef}	41.4 ^{def}	45.4 ^{bcd}	46.5 ^{bc}	41.5 ^{def}	41.9 ^{def}	46.1 ^{bc}	46.9 ^{bc}	46.3 ^{bc}	48.7 ^b	48.0 ^b	58.0 ^a
c h ⁻¹	0.01 ^d	0.02 ^{cd}	0.02 ^{cd}	0.03 ^c	0.03 ^c	0.01 ^d	0.04 ^b	0.05 ^b	0.02 ^{cd}	0.02 ^{cd}	0.04 ^b	0.1 ^a	0.02 ^{cd}	0.03 ^c	0.04 ^b	0.1 ^a

a, Fraction of DM lost during washing; b: fraction of DM slowly degraded; a+b, potential degradability of DM; c, degradation rate of DM of fallen leaves treated with urea and molasses.

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