Summary

Adaptation and DM production of several forage grasses and legumes were evaluated in Arboletes, Caucasia, Andes, Chigorodó, and Puerto Nare, located in semi-evergreen seasonal forest and tropical rain forest ecosystems in the Department of Antioquia, Colombia.

Evaluations were made in two 12-week periods of maximum (> 315 mm) and two 12-

week periods of minimum (< 162 mm) precipitation. Results showed that the best adapted and most productive grasses in all the localities were: Brachiaria brizantha CIAT 6387 and 6780, B. dictyoneura CIAT 6133, and Panicum maximum CIAT 673. Among the legumes, the best for adaptation and production was Centrosema macrocarpum CIAT 5065. 5713, and 5744. Centrosema acutifolium CIAT 5568 was developed and persisted well at Caucasia and Andes, while Stylosanthes guianensis CIAT 136 and 184 showed their best performance at Chigorodó and Arboletes.