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The growth of Alnus acuminata (HBK) O. Ktze, Cupressus lusitanica Mill., Gmelina arborea Roxb, Pinus caribaea var. hondurensis Barr. & Golf., and Tectona grandis L. in Costa Rica and twenty seven soil and climatic factors were analyzed to determine the relationship between major environmental factors and growth rates of these five species. The growth of the species was compared within specific climatic zones of Costa Rica, and in the country as a whole. A reduced set of environmental factors was selected that best explains the species growth in the country and in specific geographic zones.

The forestry plots used in this study were installed by the Forest Service of Costa Rica, complemented with a few private farmer plantations. Diameter at breast height (dbh), the height, and volume growth of the trees were used as dependent variables. Data for twelve climatic variables were obtained from the national meteorological stations. Fifteen soil characteristics were evaluated for each study site.

The growth of Alnus was found to be related to relative humidity, the distribution of precipitation and the percentage soil base saturation. Within the range evaluated (78-80%) an increase in the mean annual relative humidity will depress growth of this species.

For Cupressus it was found that soil texture (% silt content), altitude of the plots, soil base saturation, as well as cation exchange capacity and nitrogen in the Central Valley of Costa Rica, were the environmental factors most closely related to the growth of this species. For the altitudinal range evaluated (1100-2620 m) a decrease in growth can be expected as altitude increases.

Growth of Gmelina was found to be closely related to soil characteristics: available phosphorus, exchangeable sodium and potassium, cation exchange capacity and organic matter. The general observation from this regression analysis and experience in other countries is that Gmelina requires fertile soils and favorable physical properties for optimum growth. However, this species is growing satisfactorily in all areas below 500 meters of elevation in Costa Rica; no data is available above this elevation.

Amount and distribution of precipitation, exchangeable potassium, magnesium, and sodium, soil texture, and an energy factor (number of hours of light and radiation, or interaction of these two variables) were the factors most closely related to the growth of P. caribaea in the country.

For Tectona it was found that soil texture, temperature, and exchangeable potassium, calcium, and sodium were the factors most

closely related to the growth of this tree in Costa Rica.

The information developed in this study provides a better basis for understanding the growth requirements of these five species. However, planting guidelines must await the inclusion of additional data into the analysis.

Key words: soil fertility, tropical climate, tropical forestry, growth rates, introduction of species, Alnus acuminata (HBK) O. Ktze, Cupressus lusitanica Mill., Gmelina arborea Roxb, Pinus caribaea var. hondurensis Barr. & Golf., Tectona grandis L.

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INTRODUCTION

The testing of species, native and introduced, is a common activity in tropical and subtropical areas, mainly because tropical forests are not as productive as temperate forest in economical terms (yield of marketable wood per unit land area). Tropical forest are very complex (formed of a large number of tree species) and this has made the harvest procedure in these areas a selective activity. Only individual trees are harvested because of the selected utilization by the timber industry. In some cases this low volume per unit area could make the extraction cost so great that the timber harvesting becomes a low-profit activity (Camacho, 1983).

Researchers in many countries of Africa, Asia and America as well as Costa Rica are involved in the process of introducing and testing new tree species. These researchers have reported on growth rates, yield per unit area, and recommendents for future reforestation activities. Some authors (Martinez, 1981; Camacho, 1981) have already made recommendations about the more appropriate species to plant in Costa Rica based on a preliminary analysis of the forest plots in the country.

Evaluation of environmental factors affecting the growth of introduced tree species has not been commonly studied. Exceptions

are: Pande (1982) Ferreira and Z. do Couto (1981), Teoh (1981), Fassbender and Tschinkel (1974) and Wasan and Sukwong (1974).

Forestry research in Costa Rica began in 1948 in the Tropical Agronomic Center of Investigation and Teaching (CATIE) (Martinez, 1981). More recently the Forestry Development Project of Select Zones of FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization) in conjunction with the Institute of Lands and Colonization (ITCO) established plots in 1965 (ITCO, 1967), followed by the reforestation project on the slopes of Irazu Volcano started by the Civil Defense in 1967-1968. The Agricultural Diversification Office also initiated in 1970 a reforestation program with private tree farmers. (Camacho, 1981).

The General Forestry Direction Unit (DGF) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry (MAG), initiated a program in 1971 of study plot installation whose objective was to generate basic information for future policies in commercial forestry plantation projects. This program led to the installation of more than 500 plots with 70 different species distributed throughout the country. Since the beginning of the investigation, the Forestry Department and more recently the Technological Institute of Costa Rica (ITCR), have been using different silvicultural practices in order to protect and provide for the development of those species.

Study plots were initiated in Costa Rica in 1971 with the goal of testing individual species and their behavior in pure stands, and also with the purpose of obtaining a more efficient

forest to supply the future demand for wood. Now that most of the natural forest of the country is almost gone, the project becomes more important because the information these plots are providing can be used to direct the future policies and reforestation programs in Costa Rica.

The study of environmental factors that might affect the behavior of these introduced and native species is important. In the specific case of Costa Rica, some experimental plots have been observed since 1948 complemented by the analysis of their soil characteristics; meteorological data are also available from a good distribution of measurement stations. With this basic information, this research project was initiated to determine the effect of major environmental factors on growth rates of important tree species in the country.

#### Study Objective

The general objective of this study was to determine the relationship between major environmental factors and growth rates of the following five important tree species in Costa Rica: Alnus acuminata (HBK) O. Ktze, Cupressus lusitanica Mill., Gmelina arborea Roxb, Pinus caribaea var. hondurensis Barr. & Golf., and Tectona grandis L. Specific objectives were:

- 1) To test and compare the behavior of the species in specific climatic zones of Costa Rica and in the country as a whole.
- 2) To select the set of environmental factors that best explain the species behavior in the country and in specific growth zones.

## LITERATURE REVIEW

Silvics of *Alnus acuminata* (HBK) O. Ktze. <sup>1/</sup>

The common name of this species in Costa Rica is Jaul. Whereas it is also known as alder in temperate areas. Initially this tree was described as *Alnus jorullensis* HBK, a common species in South America (Holdridge, 1951). Both alders belong to the Betulaceae family.

Species description

*A. acuminata* is a medium size tree with a wide top and large branches when growing in open places. The leaves are simple, alternate, dentate, and coriaceous. The flowers are grouped in aments. The fruit is a yellow nut, indehiscent and comprised of 30 to 100 winged seeds.

Habitat

In Costa Rica the tree occurs in the tropical region at elevations between 1500 and 2500 m. In the provinces of San Jose, Cartago, Heredia and Alajuela, the species forms the natural forest, and also is found in plantations. (Combe, 1979b).

Geographical range

Jaul is widely distributed throughout Central and South America specifically from Mexico through Central America to Argentina. Holdridge (1951) mentioned that *A. acuminata* is

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<sup>1/</sup> The description of these species and other silvicultural information was taken from Camacho (1981).

common in Central America.

#### Climatic range

Alder grows well in places where precipitation ranges between 1500 and 3000 mm/year and where mean annual temperature range from 16°C to 18°C. The species can withstand temperatures below 0°C for a short time. This tree has a high demand for moisture, in both soil and air. It prefers sites well supplied with moisture and having many cloudy days.

The species is found in the Lower Montane Moist Forest and Lower Montane Wet Forest life zones (classification according to Holdridge, 1969).

#### Edaphic range

Alder can grow well on well drained soils with high organic matter content. The tree is found near streams, in eroded pasture lands, in landslide areas and roads banks. Growth is poor in sites subject to flooding or in swamps.

#### Silvicultural characteristics

Alder is a pioneer species that needs a lot of light for good development, it requires the soil to be free of weeds at least during the time of establishment, and it also needs a high moisture level in the soil. The tree grows fast and fixes atmospheric nitrogen.

#### Use

The wood from this species is in high demand by wood processors

in Costa Rica. It is utilized as fuel, in light construction, furniture, domestic articles, musical instruments, shoe manufacturing, and the production of pulp and paper. A recent project demonstrated that the wood is also suitable for building of wooden structures (Tuk, 1980).

Silvics of *Cupressus lusitanica* Mill. <sup>1/</sup>

This tree is commonly known as cypress and belongs to the family Cupressaceae. In Costa Rica it is named cipres.

Species description

Cypress forms a large tree with a straight columnar stem channeled in the lower part of the trunk. The leaves are dotted, have scale form and are attached in rows of four to the branches. The female flowers present a globose inflorescence and the male flowers are grouped in aments 2-4 mm long. The fruit is a globose strobile of 6 to 8 scales from 10 to 15 mm in diameter. It is maroon in color.

Habitat

C. lusitanica is an exotic species that has become naturalized in Costa Rica due to its adaptability to the soil and climate of the country. The optimum altitudinal belt for cypress in Costa Rica is from 800 to 3000 m but it can grow at higher or lower altitudes.

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<sup>1/</sup> The description of this and following tree species was taken from Camacho (1981).



### Geographical range

Cypress is native to Mexico and Guatemala. In the Americas it has been artificially propagated from Mexico to Argentina. Spain, Portugal, East Africa, and Oceania are important regions where the species has become an important plantation tree.

### Climatic range

Cypress grows in zones with precipitation between 1000 to 4000 mm/year, but can survive long periods of drought. The mean annual temperatures in its habitat are generally greater than 12°C with occasional frost or critically low temperatures. The tree is well adapted to the Lower Montane Wet Forest and Premontane Wet Forest life zones formations (Holdridge, 1969).

### Edaphic range

This species prefers deep soils with good drainage, and high organic matter content. It can adapt to eroded soils but growth will be less than optimum.

### Silvicultural characteristics

Cypress is highly demanding of light, but can tolerate some shade. During its first two years it does not survive long periods of dryness. Little is known about the development of this tree in natural conditions; however, our limited data for Costa Rica shows good growth as an introduced species (Camacho, 1981).

Cypress trees have been used for shelterbelts. The wood can be used for rural construction, parquet, domestic articles, telephone poles, railroad ties, and more recently as a decorative wood.

Silvics of *Gmelina arborea* Roxb.

The common name of *G. arborea* in Costa Rica is melina and it belongs to the family Verbenaceae.

Species description

*G. arborea* is a deciduous tree that can grow quite large. The trunk is short if grown in open spaces. In plantations it is straight and without defects. The leaves are opposite, from 10 to 25 cm long and 5 to 15 cm wide, and ovate in form. The flowers are yellow and grouped in terminal panicles. The fruit is a yellow ovoid drupe, smooth when ripe and approximately 2 to 3 cm in diameter.

Habitat

*Gmelina* was introduced in Costa Rica by the Instituto Interamericano de Ciencias Agrícolas (IICA) in the years 1967-1968, forming part of a program of adaptability and provenance trials. It grows in lowlands of the country to a maximum of 600 m where the species has demonstrated very rapid growth and an adaptability to a variety of soils.

### Geographical range

The species is distributed geographically throughout India, Nepal, East Pakistan, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam and the southern provinces of China.

### Climatic range

In its natural habitat, Gmelina grows best under temperatures between 16°C and 38°C with the presence of a dry season and precipitation between 1800 and 2000 mm/year.

### Edaphic range

Gmelina prefers deep, fertile and moist soils with good drainage. It tolerates alkaline and light acid soils. The species does not adapt well to shallow soil or stony sub-soils, nor to very acid soils.

### Silvicultural characteristics

Gmelina is one of the exotic species that has been demonstrated to be a fast growing tree requiring very short rotations. It does not tolerate shade and requires a lot of light for its ideal development. The species has been classified as transitory in the hygrophytic forest, invading from open areas where it grows very rapidly. The tree is resistant to fire; however, it is recommended that the trees be protected from it.

### Use

The tree has been utilized as a nurse crop for the caoba

(Swietenia macrophylla). Also plantations have been managed by the Taungya System (cropping during the early stage of the tree plantation). The wood is utilized for construction in general, plywood, particleboard, and shipbuilding. It is considered an important species for the production of pulp and paper. Also, many medicinal uses of this tree are reported in its area of natural distribution.

Silvics of Pinus caribaea var. hondurensis Barr. & Golf.

The tree is commonly named caribbean pine and belongs to the Pinaceae family.

Species description

The tree can reach large dimensions, is cylindric and straight or lightly curved. The leaves are grouped in fascicles of 3 to 4 needles, their color is green-yellow, 5 to 30 cm long and 1 to 1.5 mm wide. The female flowers are produced in small tenued cones, alone or grouped. The fruit is a greyish cone, brown or brown-red, with a length of 3 to 14 cm and from 3 to 5 cm wide.

Habitat

This species is naturalized, with a very wide range of distribution in Costa Rica, extending from the Atlantic Zone to the Pacific Zone, and from sea level to an altitude of 900 m. Camacho (1981) reported that it does well also at 1100-1200 m of elevation.

### Geographical range

Caribbean pine is naturally distributed in Bahamas Islands, Cuba, and the Caribbean Coast from Honduras to Nicaragua.

### Climatic range

The required mean annual temperature is about 25°C, ranging from 18°C to 28°C. The necessary precipitation ranges between 500 to 1000 mm/year. In its place of origin, the precipitation ranges between 500 to 3500 mm/year, requiring a pronounced dry season and an absence of frost.

### Edaphic range

This tree grows in a wide variety of soils from poor to fertile soils, from soils in the coasts to soils in the mountains where it usually shows better growth. The species can grow in sandy, infertile alluvial soils, as well as in deep granitic soils. Good soil drainage favors the growth of this tree.

### Silvicultural characteristics

In general the species can adapt well to new sites and grow rapidly. Wind may affect the plantations, bending and breaking the trunks, which is a very common problem in windy areas.

### Use

This tree is used as firewood, for telephone poles, wood for general construction, furniture, parquet, disinfectants, resins, plywood, particleboard and also in the pulp and paper industry.

Silvics of *Tectona grandis* Linn.

This tree is popularly named teak and belongs to the Verbenaceae family. In Costa Rica it is named teca.

Species description

Teak can reach a large size. It is a deciduous tree with a clear cylindrical trunk. The large leaves are opposite, elliptic-ovalate and channeled.

Habitat

The date of introduction of teak to Costa Rica and its provenance is not known. However, the species is growing well on the majority of sites where it has been planted. The plantations in the Atlantic Zone (moist environment) are doing as well as in the Pacific Zone (more drier environment). All these forest plots are located below 600 m of elevation.

Geographical range

It is distributed in South-east Asia (India, Burma, Thailand, Laos and Indonesia) from sea level to 1000 m.

Climatic range

The tree is limited to areas with a range of precipitation from 500 to 5000 mm/year. Its optimum growth occurs where rainfall is between 1500 to 2000mm/year. The species is adaptable to climates ranging from wet to dry, with a dry season of 3 to 5

months. The mean annual temperature for optimum growth is between 22°C to 27°C, however it is adapted to a wider range that goes from 2°C to 36°C. It does not tolerate frost, which will kill it. In general, teak reach its best growth in warm, slightly wet tropical climates.

#### Edaphic range

Teak prefers fertile, deep, well drained soils. Since it does not tolerate extremely wet soils it does not grow well in heavy clay soils, but will generally grow in a great variety of geological formations.

#### Silvicultural characteristics

Teak is an extremely heliophytic species that does not tolerate shade in its first year of growth. Therefore the trees need to be free of weeds. The tree grows fast initially and somewhat slower in later years.

#### Use

This species is used for construction in general, furniture, bridges, railroad ties, parquet, and is also considered an excellent fuel wood.

#### Environmental Factors and Effects on Trees Growth

Plant growth is probably controlled by a combination of all environmental factors. However, some factors will exert greater influence than others so that for practical purposes, it is un-

necessary to consider all factors in attempting to predict plant growth. Scott (1969) mentioned that the interactions between plants and environment could be one of several types: 1) The major aspect of growth is influenced by a single factor 2) growth is influenced by a few factors and each is of similar importance 3) a few factors influence growth but the importance of each is different, and 4) growth is influenced by a multitude of factors and the effect of each is different. It is possible to determine which of these various alternatives applies by using the results of a stepwise multiple regression analysis involving plant response and measurements of many environmental factors.

Fritts (1974) working with 127 coniferous tree sites in Western North America found that higher-than-average precipitation most commonly results in higher-than-average growth, though on cold sites the effects of precipitation during the cooler part of the year are sometimes lacking or inverse. Precipitation was directly related to growth throughout the entire year for 32% of the sites studied. In the remaining 68% of the sites the effects of precipitation varied from season to season. Temperature was found most commonly inversely related to ring width during autumn, spring, and summer. Site factors appeared most responsible for variations in the growth response. Aspect appeared to be the most critical, followed by altitude and latitude. The author also mentioned that the median percent of tree growth variance accounted for by climate is approximately 60 to 65%.

Graham et al. (1982) related environmental factors to forest



regeneration on clearcut and partially cut areas managed by the Bureau of Land Management in the Hungry-Pickett area northwest of Grants Pass, Oregon. The multiple regression equations showed that difficulty of regeneration clearcuttings increases with increasing solar radiation, temperature, rock cover, and depth of the soil A horizon. Moreover, difficulty of regeneration of partial cuts increases with surface gravel cover and is related to slope, aspect, and vegetation. In addition, Minore et al. (1982) used multiple regression analysis to relate environmental factors and vegetation to post-harvest forest regeneration in the Applegate area of southwestern Oregon. Optimal environments for regeneration were identified by aspect, slope, elevation, rock cover, and vegetation.

Of a variety of climatic factors evaluated by Gholz (1979), growing season evaporative demand and mean minimum January air temperatures accounted for most of the variation in leaf area, biomass, and net primary production of Pacific Northwest vegetation. The former apparently reflects limitations imposed by a seasonal summer drought period, and the latter reflects limitations on winter carbon and nutrient accumulation, a major adaptative feature in many evergreen Pacific Northwest ecosystems.

Dry matter production is known to depend on the amount of solar radiation intercepted, which is itself determined by the leaf area of the crop (Biscoe and Gallagher, 1977). Early in the growing season small leaf area indices cause low radiation interception by the crop and this limits crop growth rate. The rate of leaf area expansion is strongly dependent on temperature,

and cool weather severely limits leaf expansion rate. Periods of warm, bright weather can also limit both the rate of leaf expansion and the final size of the leaves if water stress develops.

The growth of seedlings of six tree species, Betula verrucosa, Populus trichocarpa, Acer pseudoplatanus, Larix leptolepis, Pinus silvestris, and Pinus radiata, was studied by Pollard and Wareing (1968). There appeared to be no clear differences in relative growth rates between broad-leaved and coniferous species as major classes, but there were significant differences within each group during the summer of 1964. The ability to respond to exceptionally favorable weather conditions appeared to be associated with the seasonal pattern of foliage production and, consequently, with leaf age. The annual relative growth rate showed a rapid decline over the three years of the experiment, and the values of relative growth rate at the end of the experiment were rather similar in all six species. The authors concluded that this was mainly due to 1) reduction of interspecific differences in summer growth rates of deciduous species, and 2) the compensating production of dry matter during the winter in the two pine species. Apparently the length of the growing season, and possibly factors influencing the seasonal trend in net assimilation rate, assume increasing importance as determinants of growth in woody species with increasing age.

In conjunction with the study of the six species above mentioned, seasonal rates of growth and dry-matter production were examined by Sweet and Wareing (1968b) in second year seedlings of

Larix leptolepis, Pinus contorta, and Pinus radiata grown in an unheated glasshouse. The deciduous Larix had a higher rate of production of dry matter than either of the two species of Pinus until the time of leaf fall, and this was accompanied by a greater height and diameter increment. However, between the time of leaf fall in Larix and the end of the growing season, the species of Pinus increased in dry weight by more than 25 percent, and in consequence, Larix, because of its deciduous habit, lost most of the advantage of its fast growth rate. The authors also reported that the comparison of the two pine species showed that P. radiata, while making nearly 3.5 times as much height increment as P. contorta, had only a 45 percent higher dry weight than that species at the end of the experiment.

The effects of a range of thermoperiods and soil temperatures upon growth of Douglas-fir (Pseudotsuga menziesii (Mirb.) Franco) seedlings were studied by Lavender and Scott (1972). Plants from varieties glauca and menziesii made maximum growth with soil and air temperatures between 18°C and 24°C during the twenty weeks of the study. Low soil temperatures greatly reduced growth and hastened dormancy of plants grown under all the thermoperiods tested.

Growth of western hemlock and Douglas-fir seedlings was also studied by Brix (1971) under eleven controlled day-night temperature regimes ranging from 8°C to 28°C, and with light intensities of 450 and 1000 ft-C for 100 days after seed germination. Douglas-fir had a broad optimum temperature for growth between 18°C and

24°C, whereas hemlock had a pronounced optimum at 18°C, especially at high light. High temperature was more detrimental to growth of hemlock than of Douglas-fir. Low temperature similarly affected the two plants. Moreover, dry matter production of hemlock was considerably lower than that of Douglas-fir for all growing conditions.

Similar to the study mentioned above, Larson (1967) conducted an experiment in which seedlings of Pinus ponderosa Laws. from seed collected in Arizona, California, and South Dakota were grown for six weeks under various combinations of constant air and soil temperatures from 7°C to 31°C, and combinations of day and night temperatures from 7°C to 31°C. Root growth responded more to soil temperature while top growth responded more to air temperature. Roots grew best in 15°C air and 23°C soil, while height growth was best in 23°C air and 23°C soil. Epicotyl length, root penetration, number of lateral roots, and dry weight of roots were correlated with daily degree hours. The author also mentioned that the source of seed had a pronounced effect on final seedling size.

Sweet and Wareing (1968a), reported the results of four experiments in which the parameters of growth were examined in first-year seedlings of Pinus contorta raised from seed of four different geographic provenances. Highly significant differences in net photosynthesis were shown between provenances over a wide range of light intensities, in plants of both twelve and nineteen weeks of age, when measurement was made at a temperature of 20°C. Leaf-weight ratios (i.e. the ratio of leaf weight: plant weight) also

differed significantly between provenances, and there was an overall negative correlation between rates of photosynthesis and leaf-weight ratio. The authors concluded that differences in relative growth rate result from differences in the component variables, photosynthetic rate, and leaf-weight ratio.

Another study was conducted in which rate of CO<sub>2</sub> uptake by Pinus rigida seedlings was found to decrease with age, and the response to changes in light and temperature become less pronounced (Ledig et al. 1977). Growth temperatures had no effect of the photosynthetic temperature optimum, and populations from Quebec, New Jersey, and Tennessee all had the same temperature optimum and response pattern.

The rate of height growth in Pinus silvestris L. stands throughout Great Britain was examined in relation to site factors by White (1982). The site factors included measured geographical variation, topography, soil chemical and physical variables at two levels, several measures of soil phosphorus status, foliar monoterpenes and estimates of mean values of climatic variables. The conclusion of the author was that the variations in growth over Great Britain are associated mainly with solar radiation, soil texture and soil moisture content. For separate parts of the country the solar radiation term disappears from regression equations.

Slatyer (1982) found that the photosynthetic temperature optimum of field populations of Eucalyptus pauciflora decreases with increasing elevation and, at any one elevation, varies

seasonally in accord with the annual temperature regime.

These studies certainly demonstrate the importance of environmental factors in influencing seedling and forest growth. From reviewing the available literature, however, it is clear that only limited research has been done with tropical species of interest to Costa Rican scientists. This further illustrates the need for this study.

## METHODS AND MATERIALS

### Establishment of the Study

The project was initiated in 1971. All study plots had 169 trees per plot (81 measure trees), spaced at 2x2 meters. The same methodology and instruments were used in the measurements of all plots (diameter type and Suunto clinometer for the height of the trees) (Figure 1). One of the irregularities of the project is the lack of an initial statistical design (blocks, replication per study area of same species per site) which complicated the interpretation of the data and limited the conclusions which could be drawn. In addition, some areas of the country have not been covered at all (Figure 2).

Various institutions collaborated in the introduction and establishment of forestry species in Costa Rica. Martinez (1981) summarized and measured all the plots older than five years. One year later, Camacho (1981) made a general measurement, analysis, and reorganization of the information including all the plots for which data were available. Both researchers gathered the available information and interpreted, as a whole, the behavior of the forest species.

As a part of the organization of the information, data codes were elaborated; one for each species in the study, and another for the location of the plots (See Appendix 9). This last code

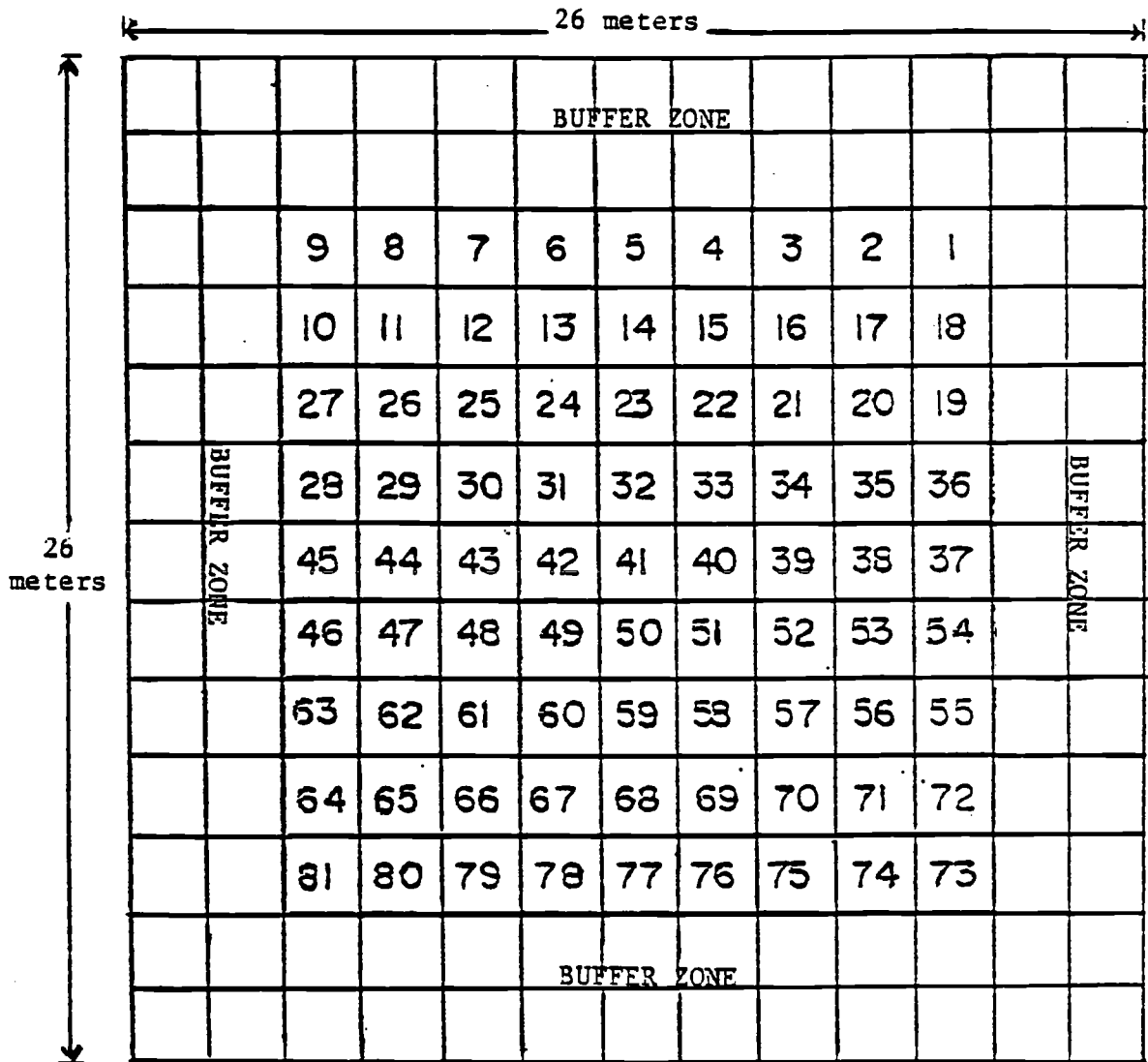
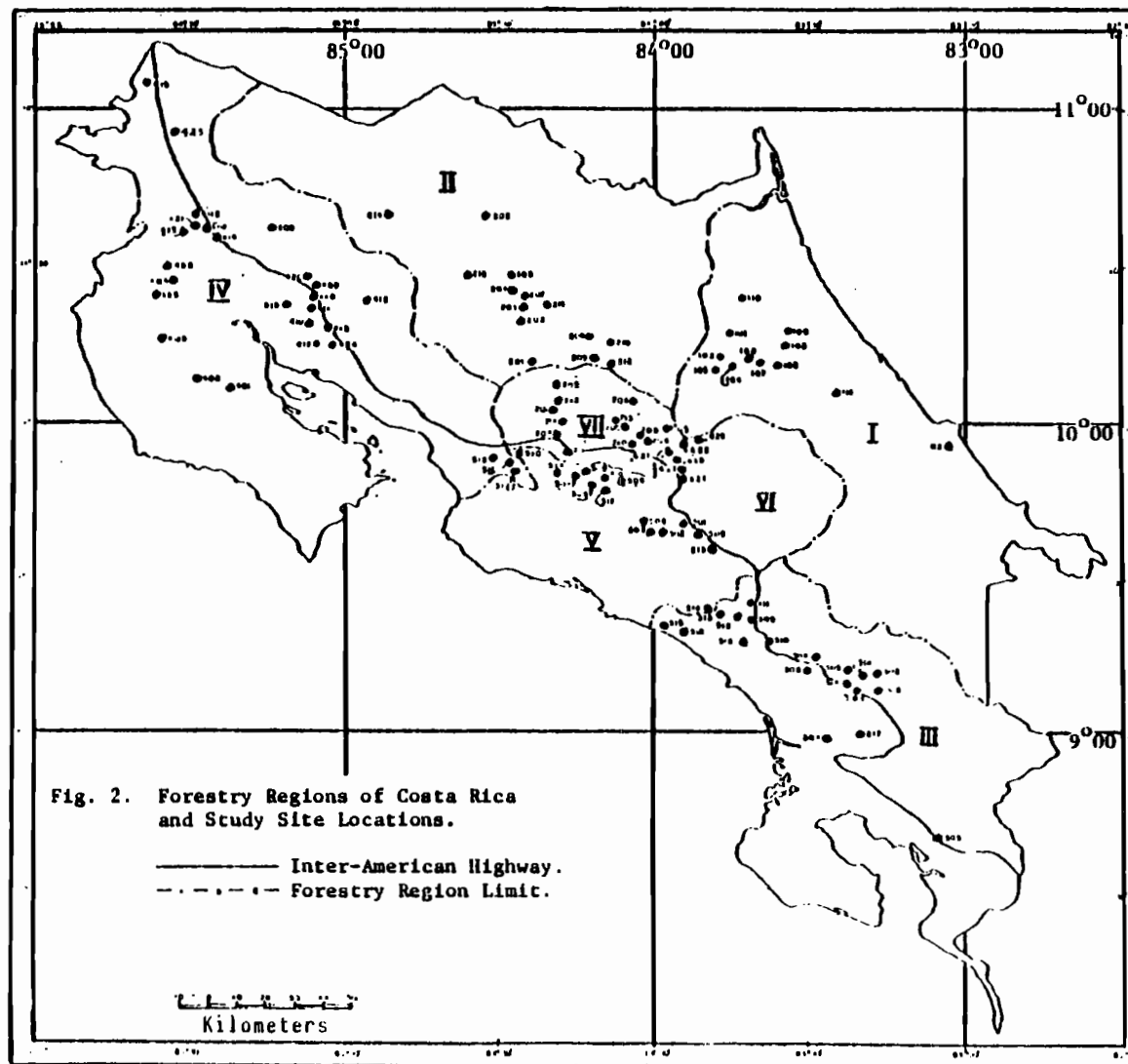


Fig. 1. Graph of a forestry study plot showing its dimensions, the 81 trees measured per plot, and the buffer zone.





refers to the division of the country into seven different zones or forestry districts. Those zones have as a criterion of division natural occurrences (rivers, roads, ridge of mountains, etc.) and climatic similarities. For more details see Martínez (1981). This division of the country made possible the evaluation of the species in each particular growing zone.

These two reports (with the exception of the plots in the Tropical Agronomic Center of Teaching and Research (CATIE), Turrialba) summarized all the information related to the tests and introduction of forestry species in Costa Rica. For the investigation realized in CATIE, see Combe and Guevals (1979a).

### Data Collection and Measurement

#### Geographic location

The geographic location of the plots were taken from the archives of the Forestry Department and/or from contour maps of the National Geographic Institute of Costa Rica, (scale 1:50000) utilizing the coordinates of longitude and latitude expressed in degrees and minutes (See Appendix 10).

#### Climate

The description of climatic conditions were made using data collected between 1970 and 1980 by the National Meteorological Service. Meteorological stations used were as close as possible to the location of the plot. Table 1 presents the location of type A meteorological stations in Costa Rica. The climatic factors

used in the regression analysis were maximum temperature, minimum temperature, mean temperature, relative humidity, hours of light, radiation, evaporation, precipitation, and the distribution of precipitation (pluvioso, intermediate, and ecosecos). These three later variables also known as moist, mesic, and dry months. The altitude of the plots was another variable used in this regression analysis. For more details see Camacho (1981) page 113 to 115 and also Appendix 10. A detailed description of the variables and units of measurement are recorded in Appendix 7.

### Soils

Data from soil analyses used in this study are the same as those reported by Martinez (1981) and also complemented by the data available in the Forestry Investigation Department. The examination was made at three different depths: 0-5 cm, 5-20 cm, and 20-40 cm. For each area in the investigation five to seven samples of soil were taken for each depth, depending on the homogeneity of the area (drainage, slope, etc.). Results of the physical characteristics and chemical analysis of soil are summarized by Camacho (1981) pages 215-222. See also Appendix 8. The soil variables used in the regression analysis were percent sand, silt, and clay by volume, soil pH, organic matter content, carbon, nitrogen, carbon/nitrogen ratio, available phosphorus, calcium, magnesium, potassium, sodium, cation exchange capacity, and base saturation. For the description of these variables and units of

Table 1. Location of type A meteorological stations in Costa Rica.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ELEVATION</u> (meters)	<u>LONGITUDE</u>	<u>LATITUDE</u>
Nicoya	120	85°27'	10°09'
Liberia	85	85°32'	10°36'
Puntarenas	3	84°50'	09°58'
Limon	3	83°03'	10°00'
San Jose	1172	84°05'	09°56'
F. Baudrit	840	84°16'	10°01'
Palmar Sur	16	83°28'	08°57'
La Pinera	350	83°20'	09°11'
Palmira	2010	84°23'	10°13'
C.R. Metodista	600	84°24'	10°21'
N. Tronadora	580	84°55'	10°30'
La Mola	70	83°46'	10°21'
Playa Panama	3	85°40'	10°35'
CATIE	602	83°38'	09°53'
Los Diamantes	249	83°49'	10°13'
Linda Vista	1400	83°58'	09°50'
Pacayas	1735	83°49'	09°55'
Cedral	1450	83°33'	09°22'
Coliblanco	2200	83°48'	09°57'
Volcan Irazu	3400	83°51'	09°59'
El Carmen	15	83°29'	10°12'
La Guinea	40	85°28'	10°25'
Taboga	40	85°09'	10°21'
La Lola	40	83°23'	10°06'
San Josecito de H.	1450	84°00'	10°02'
Naranjo	1100	84°23'	10°07'
Esc. C. Ganaderia	450	84°24'	09°57'
Rio Negro	955	82°52'	08°53'

measurement see Appendix 7.

Table 2 presents the twenty eight variables used in the regression analysis, levels of observation, and the names used for the weighted profile values.

#### Growth Indicators

The growth indicator variables used were volume growth, height, and diameter at breast height (dbh) of the trees. Volume growth was calculated using the formula height growth x dbh growth x age. The volume growth obtained by the above expression is the mean annual increment in volume per tree, because it is calculated from mean annual values of dbh growth and height growth of the trees. It is not the true volume growth, but was used for the practical purpose of these data analyses, and was reported in  $m^3/ha$ . Height of the trees were measured with a Suunto clinometer and reported in meters. Diameter of the trees were measured with a diameter tape and adjusted to the nearest millimeter. These measurements were done including the bark of the trees. For more details see Appendix 7, and Table 2.

#### Shape of the Plots

The criteria followed for the installation of plots was common for all sites and is described by Gonzales (1979) as follows:

Spacing of trees: 2x2 meters

Initial density : 169 trees per plot (13x13 trees)

Area of the plot: 676 square meters (26x26 meters)

Table 2. Environmental factors and growth indicators used in the statistical analysis. Corresponding level of observation and name used for the weighted soil profile value is also included.

Independent variables <sup>1/</sup>	Variable name	Level of observation	Weighted profile
1 age	age	1	-
2 altitude	alt	1	-
3 maximum temperature	tmax	1	-
4 minimum temperature	tmin	1	-
5 mean temperature	tmean	1	-
6 relative humidity	rhum	1	-
7 light	light	1	-
8 radiation	rad	1	-
9 precipitation	precip	1	-
10 evaporation	evap	1	-
11 pluvioso (moist)	pluvioso	1	-
12 intermediate	interm	1	-
13 ecosecos (dry)	ecosecos	1	-
14 sand	sand	3	asand
15 silt	silt	3	asilt
16 clay	clay	3	aclay
17 soil pH	ph	3	aph
18 organic matter	mo	3	amo
19 carbon	c	3	ac
20 nitrogen	n	3	an
21 carbon/nitrogen	cani	3	acani
22 phosphorus	p	3	ap
23 calcium	ca	3	aca
24 magnesium	mg	3	amg
25 sodium	na	3	ana
26 potasium	k	3	ak
27 cation-exchange capacity	cec	3	acec
28 base saturation	satb	3	asatb

<sup>1/</sup> For the description of the variables and units of measurement see Appendix 7.

Twenty seven environmental factors (twelve climatic variables and fifteen soil variables) and one age variable were included in the regression analysis.

The first step was to screen out some of these variables which were not fundamental to the analysis (growth relationship), subjected to large measurement errors, or whose effects were similar to another independent variables in the list (Neter and Wasserman, 1974).

Initially, species data were combined and analysed for the whole country. In all the cases the dependent variable was volume growth and two regression models were developed. One of them was generated using the twenty seven environmental factors plus age, while in the second highly correlated independent variables were discarded. This second approach was complemented with the more meaningful biological variables (those variables that have proven to more directly affect the growth of trees or major elements).

Neter and Wasserman (1974) and Snedecor and Cochran (1980) agreed that a stepwise procedure is one of the most convenient methods in multiple regression analyses. I used this method because I expected it to yield a good prediction equation with the least possible number of terms. The process followed here is described by SAS (1982), Helwig (1982), Helwig and Council (1979), and also complemented by the method of multiple regression analysis technique (Neter and Wasserman, 1974; Snedecor and Cochran, 1980).

An analysis of the species by zones was done using the same methods as for the first test. This regression by zones and by species was complemented with a multivariate analysis where Principal Component Analysis was used for the summarization of the data following the methodology reported by Morrison (1967), Mardia et al. (1979), and Johnson and Wichern (1982). Canonical Correlation was also used which has the advantage of allowing other growth indicators, like dbh and height growth to be combined with volume growth in the analysis. The methodology followed in the principal component and canonical correlation is reported by SAS (1982).



## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Multivariate Analysis

The results of the Principal Component Analysis are reported in Table 3. The overall selection among climatic and soil factors is similar and the number of variables selected for each species range from five for Alnus acuminata to ten for Cupressus lusitanica. Regression analyses were done using the results indicated by Table 3, however, none were significant.

These results of principal component analysis by individual species were used to select the independent environmental variables forming one set of data and the dependent variables dbh, height, and volume growth formed part of the second set of data. These two sets of data were combined through a canonical correlation and the analysis done by individual species. The results obtained from the canonical correlation were difficult to interpret and in some cases did not follow a reasonable pattern. Therefore these results were not utilized in this study.

One of the reasons why the canonical correlation did not give satisfactory results could be the small sample size that was used in the analysis. It is suggested that the relation between number of observations and number of independent variables should be 20:1 (Stafford, 1983 personal communication). In this case, and based

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Stafford Susan. 1983. Forestry Projects Data Analysis. Course offered by the Forest Science Department. Oregon State University. Corvallis, Oregon 97331.

Table 3. Independent environmental variables possibly related to tree growth, as determined by Principal Component Analysis, by species and frequency of inclusion for the five tree species included in the analysis.

Tree Species	Cupressus	Alnus	Gmelina	Pinus	Tectona	Frequency
<u>Climatic factors</u> <sup>1/</sup>	precip	precip	-	-	-	2
	tmed	-	tmed	tmed	-	3
	tmax	-	-	-	-	1
	tmin	tmin	-	-	-	2
	rhum	-	-	rhum	-	2
	pluvioso	-	interm	ecosecos	interm	4
	-	rad	rad	-	-	2
	-	-	-	-	light	1
<u>Soil factors</u> <sup>1/</sup>	asand	asand	-	-	asand	3
	asilt	-	-	-	-	1
	ana	-	ana	ana	ana	4
	ap	ap	ap	ap	ap	5
	-	-	aca	-	-	1
	-	-	-	acec	-	1
	-	-	-	-	asatb	1
	-	-	-	-	amo	1
	-	-	-	acani	acani	2
	-	-	-	aph	-	1
Number of variables selected by species	10	5	6	8	8	

<sup>1/</sup> For the description of the environmental factors and units of measurement see Appendix 7.

on the eight to thirteen independent variables used in the analysis, 160 to 260 observations were needed. The largest sample size available was twenty six observations for Pinus caribaea which is only a fraction of the number suggested. Despite these poor results from the principal component analysis and canonical correlation, I believe that with a larger sample size, these two methods could be useful tools in the interpretation and summarization of such data.

#### Multiple Regression Analysis

Tables 4 through 10 summarize the results of the multiple regression analysis (using MAXR approach) for predicting the growth of Alnus acuminata, Cupressus lusitanica, Gmelina arborea, Pinus caribaea, and Tectona grandis from various environmental factors.

To look at the "stability" of the individual regression equation and using an analysis of correlation (see Appendix 1 through 5), the best twelve variables were selected and the same criteria, as above, used to compute a second regression equation for each set of data. In most cases there was agreement among the variables selected. In every case the first approach (using the full set of data) gave the highest  $R^2$  value and usually chose a similar number of independent variables. Appendix 6 summarizes these results.

#### Regression Analysis for Alnus acuminata (HBK) O. Ktze.

A total of eight Alnus growth plots from throughout Costa Rica

Table 4. Environmental variables included in the regression equations to predict tree growth, by species. Variable selection was based on stepwise MAXR approach.

Species	Alnus	Cupressus	Gmelina	Pinus	Tectona	Frequency
<u>Climatic factors</u> <sup>1/</sup>	rhum	-	-	-	-	1
	pluvioso	-	-	ecosecos	ecosecos	3
	age	age	-	age	age	4
	-	alt	-	-	-	1
	-	-	-	light	light	2
	-	-	-	-	evap	1
<u>Soil factors</u> <sup>1/</sup>	asatb	asatb	-	asatb	-	3
	-	asilt	-	-	aclay	2
	-	-	ap	-	-	1
	-	-	ana	-	ana	2
	-	-	acani	-	acani	2
	-	-	ak	ak	ak	3
Climatic variables	3	2	0	3	4	
Soil variables	1	2	4	2	4	
Total selected	4	4	4	5	8	

<sup>1/</sup> For the description of the variables and units of measurement see Appendix 7.

Table 5. Environmental variables included in the regression equations to predict the tree growth, by study species and plot locations. Variable selection based on stepwise MAXR approach.

Species		Alnus	Cupressus	Gmelina	Pinus	Tectona	Frequency
<u>Climatic factors</u> <sup>1/</sup>	age	7	5	-	1	1 3	5
	alt	-	5	-	-	-	1
	rad	-	-	-	1	-	1
	interm	-	-	-	1	-	1
	precip	-	-	-	3	-	1
	tmax	-	-	-	-	1 3	2
<u>Soil factors</u> <sup>1/</sup>	ana	7	-	-	1	3	3
	asilt	-	5	-	1	1 3	4
	acec	-	5	3	3	-	3
	an	-	7	1	-	4	3
	ac	-	-	1	-	-	1
	ap	-	-	4	-	1	2
	amo	-	-	4	-	-	1
	ak	-	-	-	1	-	1
	aph	-	-	-	1	4	2
	amg	-	-	-	1 3	-	2
	acani	-	-	-	3	-	1
	aca	-	-	-	-	1 3	2
	astb	-	-	-	-	4	1
	Zone evaluated	7	5 7	1 3 4	1 3	1 3 4	
Number of variables selected by zone	2	4 1	2 1 4	8 4	5 5 3		

<sup>1/</sup> For the description of the variables and units of measurement see Appendix 7.

were analyzed, with five of these located in zone 7. The results of the analysis of regression are recorded in Table 6.

The four variables included in the regression model from all eight plots are relative humidity, the number of months with precipitation over 100 mm (pluvioso), age, and the percentage base saturation. The value of  $R^2$  (0.85) is acceptable but the probability of a larger F value (0.12) is low, which means that the significance probability of the F value is not greater than 0.83. The lower F value found here could be due to large variation among the sites that cannot be easily explained by the low number of observations used in the regression analysis.

Relative humidity and the months of the year with high precipitation ( $>100$  mm) are the two variables most closely related to alder growth. A. acuminata is a pioneer tree that needs a lot of light and a high level of soil moisture (Camacho, 1981). This seems to agree with the regression analysis results showing a relationship between the growth of the species and the variable pluvioso.

Relative humidity has a negative regression coefficient with a large effect in the regression equation. In other words, with an increase in relative humidity, there will be an expected decrease in growth. However, some interactions between relative humidity, precipitation, and mean temperature should be reviewed since in some plots the precipitation (3759 mm/year) is greater than that generally required for the species, and mean annual temperature ( $15.2^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) is lower than that normally suggested for the

Table 6. Multiple Regression Analysis Results for *Alnus acuminata* using stepwise MAXR, for data from growth plots throughout the country as well as from an individual zone.

Zone	No. of obs. (n)	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent <sup>1/</sup> variable(s) selected and order of entrance	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
Throughout the country	8	28	volume growth	rhun pluvioso age asatb	$\hat{Y}=2.27-0.012(\text{age})+0.035(\text{pluvioso})-0.029(\text{rhun})+0.0048(\text{asatb})$	0.85	0.1224
7	5	28	volume growth	ana age	$\hat{Y}=0.014-0.012(\text{age})+1.26(\text{ana})$	0.50	0.5046

<sup>1/</sup> age = Plantation age in years.

pluvioso = Number of months of the year with precipitation greater than 100 millimeters.

rhun = Mean annual relative humidity. Expressed in percent.

asatb = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) base saturation. Expressed in percent.

ana = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) sodium concentration. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.

<sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

species. There is also the possibility that on some plots the soil and atmospheric water is excessive, so that growing conditions improve when the relative humidity decreases. Similar results as these above mentioned were found for El Verde forest in Puerto Rico (Odum, 1970). This author argued that high relative humidity decreased nutrient uptake (because it resulted in reduced evapotranspiration) and therefore he concluded that trees grew better where relative humidity was low. Again, a greater sample size will allow us to have a better understanding of the species responses, as might additional information on such things as soil drainage.

The variable age has a negative coefficient of regression which seems to indicate that the species has already reached its maximum point in the mean annual growth increment curve. That is, the mean annual increment of the plots analyzed will probably decrease as the trees grow older. Range for age of the trees is presented in Appendix 1.

Percent base saturation is positively related to the growth of A. acuminata. This is consistent with the presence of the variable sodium in the regression equation of zone 7. This consistency between regression equations could be due to a high correlation between base saturation and the exchangeable bases (calcium, magnesium, potassium, and sodium) (see Appendix 1). This is assumed because the element sodium has not been found to directly affect the growth of trees unless a deficiency of potassium exists (Lyon et al. 1959). Low significance (probability) of the



regression model, and the small sample size, suggests the future need for a revision of this regression model. Further study of the interaction between sodium and other exchangeable bases is also needed.

The regression equation for zone 7 was determined for the purpose of comparing the behavior of the species throughout the country with that of a specific zone. However, given the significance of the F value, the validity of such a model is questionable.

The use of a second approach, analysis based on the reduced set of data, did not help in the testing of the stability of the individual regression equation. The only variable that entered the regression model in each case was age (see Appendix 6a). The other two variables that showed some overlap were percentage base saturation in the regression model for the country and cation-exchange capacity in the second regression equation of zone 7.

No major details of Alnus acuminata have been studied, and the studies found in the literature (Holdridge, 1951; Alvarez, 1956; Budowski, 1957; and Combe, 1979b) only give a general description of the behavior of A. acuminata in Costa Rica.

It is well known, especially to most dairy farmers in the Central Valley of Costa Rica, that Alnus acuminata is a fast growing tree, adapted to most of the soils of the area. Because of its nitrogen-fixing characteristic the pasture grasses also grow as well or better beneath a stand of Alnus than in the open.

Since 1922 this tree has been a by-product for the dairy farms in elevations above 1500 meters. The recommendation is that we

gather more information to make possible the formulation of site index curves and ratings for the widespread reforestation of this species in the Central Valley of Costa Rica.

Regression Analysis for Cupressus lusitanica Mill.

Table 7 summarizes the results of the regression analysis for C. lusitanica. Thirteen plots were evaluated throughout the country, nine plots in zone 5, and four plots in zone 7.

Three out of four of the variables present in the regression equation for the country are included in the regression model for zone 5. Two minor differences can be identified. One is in the order of entrance of the variables age and silt into the regression equation. The other is the fourth variable entered into the equation. For the regression model of the country percentage base saturation is the variable included and is substituted by cation-exchange capacity in the regression equation of zone 5.

For zone 7, only the variable nitrogen enters into the regression equation. The  $R^2$  value (0.99) is quite high and probability of a larger F value (0.0023) is low. However, the limited number of observations in the zone limits the drawing of strong conclusions.

Soil in the Central Valley of Costa Rica (zone 7) originated from volcanic ash. The regression analysis results for this zone agree with those of Fassbender and Tschinkel (1974) for plantations of C. lusitanica on volcanic ash soil of Colombia. The best equation found by the authors explained 52% of the

Table 7. Multiple Regression Analysis Results for *Cupressus lusitanica* using stepwise MAXR, for data from growth plots throughout the country as well as from individual zones.

Zone	No. of obs. (n)	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent variable(s) selected and order of entrance <sup>1/</sup>	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
Throughout the country	13	28	volume	asilt age alt asatb	$\hat{Y}=0.58+0.013(\text{age})-0.000064(\text{alt})+$	0.99	0.0001
			growth		$0.021(\text{asilt})+0.0018(\text{asatb})$		
5	9	28	volume	age asilt alt acec	$\hat{Y}=0.40+0.0093(\text{age})-0.0001(\text{alt})+$	0.99	0.0001
			growth		$0.024(\text{asilt})-0.0027(\text{acec})$		
7	4	28	volume	an	$\hat{Y}=4.57+22.15 (\text{an})$	0.99	0.0023
			growth				

<sup>1/</sup> age = Plantation age in years.

alt = Elevation above mean sea level in meters.

asilt = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) silt content in percent.

an = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) nitrogen content in percent.

asatb = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) base saturation. Expressed in percent.

acec = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) cation exchange capacity, in meq/100 g of soil.

<sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

variation among the sites, and included aluminum phosphates, exchangeable potassium, and exchangeable magnesium as independent variables. Fassbender and Tschinkel (1974) also mentioned that the importance of aluminum phosphates complemented the results of previous investigations which showed that growth of cypress is limited primarily by deficiencies of phosphorus and nitrogen. Based on the correlation analysis the authors concluded that only a few soil characteristics regulate the growth of cypress in the soils studied.

Volcanic ash soils of Medellin, Colombia were studied by Valle (1976). Highly significant correlations were found between site quality and the nitrogen mineralized in fresh soils, which explained 58% of the variation in cypress growth. These results also agree with what was found for zone 7 in the present analysis.

For the regression analysis using data from throughout the country, the variables selected were silt, age, altitude, and percentage base saturation. The negative regression coefficient of the variable altitude seems to indicate that the yield of cypress will decrease with an increase in elevation. However, altitude typically has a direct effect on temperature and it is very possible that an interaction of the two variables is occurring. The range of elevation of cypress included in the analysis is from 1100 to 2620 meters and its altitudinal range reported in the literature is from 800 to 3000 meters. A possible explanation of this negative effect of elevation on the growth of C. lusitanica could relate to the effect of temperature. It was mentioned by

Camacho (1981) that cypress grows better where temperatures are greater than  $12^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Over the range of minimum temperature of the plot evaluated (Appendix 2); the mean annual temperature can drop to  $5.4^{\circ}\text{C}$ , which could negatively affect the growth of the species. Odum (1970) reasoned that relative humidity increased with elevation, and had a depressing effect on growth. This later result could be another possible explanation of the regression analysis result for this species.

Cypress prefers uncompacted deep soils, with good drainage, and with high organic matter content (Camacho, 1981). This observation seems to agree with the presence of the variable silt in the regression equation for the country as, with the exception of organic matter, these conditions can be fulfilled by a soil with high percentage of silt, or one that is balanced among sand, silt and clay. Appendix 2 shows that the mean content of silt for the plots evaluated is 32%, and the addition of the means of sand and silt is greater than 79% of the total volume of the soil. This is a loam, which is generally a very desirable soil texture for most plant species.

The percentage base saturation of the soil is defined as the degree to which all cation exchange sites of the soil are occupied by bases such as calcium, magnesium, potassium, and sodium (Pritchett, 1979), and can be used as an indicator of soil fertility. Percentage base saturation of these soils may be related to cation exchange capacity (CEC). This is not a general relationship, but in this analysis the presence of base saturation in the regression equation of the country could be related to the presence of

CEC in the regression model of zone 5. It is also known that, in general, CEC is highly related to the content of organic matter of the soil. The higher the organic matter content, the greater the value of cation exchange capacity (Hausenbuiller, 1972).

Martinez (1981) conducted a regression analysis for cypress growing in Costa Rica. Thirteen plots were evaluated, all older than five years. A total of eight independent variables were included in the analysis: soil organic matter content (0-5 m depth), pluvioso, interm, ecosecos, altitude, and the texture of the soil from the 0-5 cm, 5-20 cm, and 20-40 cm depths. The dependent variables used were dbh or height. The author found that the variables related to the diameter growth of the species were the content of organic matter from the 0-5 cm depth, the carbon/nitrogen ratio at the same depth, the number of months of the year with precipitation greater than 100 millimeters (pluvioso months), and soil textures from 5-20 cm, and 20-40 cm depths. The regression equation using the height of the trees as a response variable was not significant.

In this study I have used the same number of cypress plots and similar soil chemistry factors as Martinez. The only difference with this study is that Martinez made his measurements in 1980 and I have used data recollected in 1981. Another difference between the analysis done by Martinez and the one reported here is the number of independent variables, which was here increased from eight to twenty eight. This allows for some additional variables to enter the regression equation, possibly giving clearer indication

of how these variables are related to growth of this species.

The regression equations developed here cannot be directly compared with those of Martinez (1981) since he used mean annual diameter increment as the dependent variable. My analysis also included numerous other independent variables. Martinez used only soil chemistry values from the 0-5 cm depth, whereas I have used the weighted profile value from the 0-40 cm depth. Finally, Martinez used 10 different soil texture groups, and I used the percentages of sand, silt, and clay by volume. However, it is worth noting that a soil texture variable (silt) is significant in two of my models, as well as those of Martinez.

Different provenances of C. lusitanica were studied by Soares and Rosero (1973) in 3 localities of Costa Rica. The analysis of variance following the nested scheme, used as variables dbh, total height, stem form, concentricity, bark thickness, and number of branches per tree. The correlation analysis carried out between these tree measurements and the site characteristics (altitude, precipitation, mean temperature, slope, and type of drainage) indicated that these characteristics were responsible for 47 and 33% of the total variation in height and dbh, respectively.

The general interpretation of the regression analysis is that the growth of cypress slightly decreases with increasing elevation. Cypress responds better in soils with high content of silt. In the Central Valley (zone 7) growth of the species is strongly related to available nitrogen.

Regression Analysis for Gmelina arborea Roxb.

Gmelina is currently being grown in three different zones of Costa Rica. Five plots were evaluated in zone 1, three plots in zone 3, and four plots in zone 4; for a total of twelve plots analyzed throughout the country.

For the equations developed, the values of  $R^2$  are high and the significances of the F values are above 95% (Table 8). These four regression models indicate that only the soil chemistry factors are related to growth. This species prefers deep moist soils, with good drainage and nutrients (Camacho, 1981). It is also known that G. arborea tolerates from alkaline to light acid soils. This seems to agree with the general results of the regression analysis indicating that soil fertility is the factor most nearly related to the growth of the species.

The above results also agree with those obtained by Golfari (1972) in the equatorial region of Brazil. The climate of this region is tropical, with annual precipitation of 2000 mm, and a dry period of four months. The preliminary results indicate that the species is very sensitive to the soil conditions, preferring porous, deep and fertile soils.

The number of independent variables included in the regression model for plots from throughout the country is four, two for the model of zone 1 and zone 4, and only one variable for the regression



Table 8. Multiple Regression Analysis for *Gmelina arborea* using stepwise MAXR, for data from growth plots throughout the country as well as from individual zones.

Zone	No. of obs. (n)	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent <sup>1/</sup> variable(s) selected and order of entrance	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
Throughout the country	12	28	volume growth	ap ana acani ak	$\hat{Y} = 1.46 - 2.005(ana) + 0.18(ak) + 0.013(ap) - 0.06(acani)$	0.98	0.0001
1	5	28	volume growth	ac an	$\hat{Y} = 0.44 + 2.49(an) - 0.27(ac)$	0.95	0.0495
3	3	28	volume growth	acec	$\hat{Y} = 3.05 - 0.074(acec)$	0.99	0.0156
4	4	28	volume growth	ap amo	$\hat{Y} = 0.05 + 0.0045(amo) + 0.091(ap)$	0.99	0.0044

<sup>1/</sup> acec = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) cation-exchange capacity.  
 an = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) nitrogen content. Expressed in percent.  
 amo = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) organic matter content. Expressed in percent.  
 ac = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) carbon content. Expressed in percent.

ana = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) sodium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
 ak = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) potassium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
 ap = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) phosphorus content. Expressed as available phosphorus in micrograms per milliliter.  
 acani = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) carbon-nitrogen ratio.  
<sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

model in zone 3. The overlap between the regression model is significant. The variable *acani* (carbon/nitrogen ratio) is present in the regression model for the country. As expected, it compares well with the presence of the variables carbon and nitrogen in the model of zone 1. With respect to other soil chemistry variables, a possible association could exist between sodium and potassium (exchangeable bases) present in the regression model for the country and the variable cation-exchange capacity present in the regression equation of zone 3.

Available phosphorus is present in the regression model for the country and zone 4. In addition, the agreement between the regression equation becomes stronger if the correlation between the variables carbon, nitrogen, and organic matter is taken into consideration, as shown in the matrix of correlation for this species in Appendix 3.

Ojo and Jackson (1973) reported that Gmelina is very sensitive to differences in soil fertility, particularly to deficiencies in nitrogen. In some cases there was a response to nitrogen only when phosphate was also applied. The authors also found that potassium had little effect on the growth of this species.

In general the regression analyses done for the species in Costa Rica agree with those done in Brazil, Nigeria, and Nicaragua (Gomez, 1981); however, the presence of sodium and potassium in the regression equation for plots from throughout the country is difficult to explain. Sodium, as previously mentioned, has not

been found essential in the growth of trees and the significance of potassium contradicts the findings of Ojo and Jackson (1973). Interaction between the exchangeable bases may be responsible for the inclusion of these two variables in the regression model, a possibility that should be studied.

The second analysis done to test the "stability" of the regression models also showed the great influence that soil fertility factors have on the growth of G. arborea (Appendix 6c.)

For the regression analysis done by Martinez (1981) for Gmelina in Costa Rica, nine independent variables, were included: soil organic matter content (0-5 cm depth), the carbon/nitrogen ratio (0-5 cm depth), the distribution of the precipitation (pluvioso, interm, and ecosecos), altitude of the plots, and the soil texture from the 0-5 cm, 5-20 cm, and 20-40 cm depths. The response variable that he used was the dbh of the trees. The variables that Martinez found to be most strongly related to the growth in diameter of the species were the soil organic matter content which entered only one of my regressions, and the variable interm (number of months with values of precipitation ranging from 30-100 mm), which did not appear at all in my regressions.

The regression equation developed by Martinez (1981) showed an  $R^2$  value of 0.77 and was significant at the 1% level. The smallest value of  $R^2$  reported in Table 8 is 0.95 and the lowest significance level, 5%. However, agreement between this one and a regression model computed by Martinez (1981) is minimal.

The general observation that can be draw from my regression

analysis and from the experiences in other countries, is that Gmelina requires fertile soils with good physical properties for optimum growth. However, this species is growing satisfactorily in all the areas below 500 meters of elevation of Costa Rica, and in the case of Nicaragua, it was reported by Gomez (1981) that this species is growing well even in areas with a six month dry season.

These characteristics of Gmelina arborea make it a reasonable choice for use in reforestation projects for the tropic low-lands.

#### Regression Analysis for Pinus caribaea var. hondurensis Barr. & Golf.

Caribbean pine is a very popular plantation species in Costa Rica and is currently growing well even at 1200 meters of elevation. Table 9 presents the regression models for the plantations. Twenty six plots were evaluated for the country, fourteen plots in zone 1, and eight plots in zone 3.

The variables selected for the regression model for data from throughout the country are potassium, percentage base saturation, the distribution of the precipitation (ecosecos or dry months), light, and age. The  $R^2$  value (0.75) indicates a relatively good relationship, and the significance of the F value ( $P < 0.0001$ ) is very high. However, the regression models for zones 1 and 3 have better values of  $R^2$  (0.99) and F values comparable to that for the regression model from throughout the country. Various factors could contribute to the strong values of  $R^2$  and F test. White (1932) found for P. silvestris in Great Britain that the variation in climatic factors within zones was smaller than for the country.

Table 9. Multiple Regression Analysis Results for *Pinus caribaea* using stepwise MAXR, for data from growth plots throughout the country as well as individual zones.

Zone	No. of obs. (n)	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent <sup>1/</sup> variable(s) selected and order of entrance	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
Throughout the country	26	28	volume growth	ak asatb ecoaecos light age	$\hat{Y} = 0.05 + 0.0091(\text{age}) - 0.082(\text{ecosecos}) + 0.00017(\text{light}) - 0.0092(\text{asatb}) + 0.26(\text{ak})$	0.75	0.0001
1	14	28	volume growth	ak rad interm aph amg asand una age	$\hat{Y} = 3.48 + 0.011(\text{age}) + 0.75(\text{interm}) - 0.008(\text{rad}) - 0.29(\text{aph}) + 0.006(\text{asand}) + 0.076(\text{amg}) + 0.25(\text{ana}) + 1.03(\text{ak})$	0.99	0.0001
3	8	28	volume growth	precip acec aph acani	$\hat{Y} = 1.09 - 0.0003(\text{precip}) + 0.098(\text{aph}) - 0.0083(\text{acec}) - 0.011(\text{acani})$	0.99	0.0009

- <sup>1/</sup> age = Plantation age in years.  
 ecosecos = Number of months of the year with precipitation less than 30 millimeters.  
 light = Mean annual value for the daily hours of sunshine.  
 interm = Number of months of the year with precipitation between 30 and 100 millimeters.  
 rad = Mean annual radiation. Expressed in calories per square centimeter per day.  
 precip = Mean annual precipitation in millimeters.  
 acani = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) carbon/nitrogen ratio.  
 asatb = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) base saturation. Expressed in percent.

- ak = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) potassium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
 aph = Mean profile (0-40 cm) soil pH.  
 asand = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) sand content. Expressed in percent by volume.  
 amg = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) magnesium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
 ana = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) sodium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
 acec = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) cation-exchange capacity.  
<sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

The agreement among the regression models is high, not only because some of the variables brought into the models are the same, but because the variables in one model are strongly related to the other variables selected. An example is the case of variables *ecosecos* and *interm*. These variables refer to the amount and distribution of precipitation (dry and mesic months, respectively). Another example is the presence of the variable potassium and percentage base saturation in the regression model of the country, potassium, magnesium, and sodium in the regression model of zone 1, and the variable cation exchange capacity in the regression model of zone 3.

In the analysis of data for all of the growth plots the variables *ecosecos* and percentage base saturation entered the regression equation with negative coefficients. As previously mentioned, the variable *ecosecos* indicates the distribution of the precipitation, specifically the number of months of the year in which the precipitation is less than 30 millimeters. Based on the negative coefficient of regression of the variable *ecosecos*, it can be assumed that the growth of *P. caribaea* will be unfavorably affected by extended periods of dryness. It was mentioned by Camacho (1981) that the species in its natural habitat could still grow in areas with only 500 millimeters of precipitation per year. This does not contradict the results of the regression analysis for Caribbean pine. Most pines are more drought tolerant than other trees, but their growth is still better when they get more water. In the case of Costa Rica, the best growth of the species is at sites with

2000-3000 millimeters of precipitation, and, as will be discussed later, the regression analysis showed that the volume growth of Pinus would be favored by intermediate precipitation. This agrees with the results of the six year-old plantings of caribbean pine in Rhodesia, which showed it to be fast growing in the high rainfall (over 1300 mm per annum) areas of the country at altitudes below 1200 meters (Barnes et al. 1977)

An interesting situation can be observed in Table 9 in relation to the variable precipitation and its distribution (interm and ecosecos). For the regression model of the country, the variable ecosecos is negatively related to the growth of Pinus. For the regression model of zone 3, a similar behavior is displayed by the variable precipitation, which seems to indicate that the species will decrease in growth with an increase in precipitation. The presence of the variable interm with a very strong positive coefficient of regression for zone 2 reinforces the expected influence of precipitation and its distribution on the growth of P. caribaea. That is, the species seems to prefer a balance between extremely wet and dry conditions.

It is also known that Pinus caribaea grows naturally in a wide variety of soils, ranging from poor soils to fertile soils, from coastal to soils in the mountains. It also grows in sandy and infertile soil as well as in deep granitic soils with good drainage (Camacho, 1981). The results obtained in the three regression models agree to a certain degree with this. The percentage base saturation in the regression model for the country

and cation-exchange capacity in the regression model of zone 3 have a negative coefficient of regression. However, the cations magnesium, sodium, and potassium show a strong relationship with the growth of Pinus in zone 1. This also agrees to a certain degree with the preliminary trials results in Malaysia. P. caribaea plots used in the afforestation of temuda areas (areas which have been repeatedly subjected to shifting cultivation) showed nutrient deficiencies (Fahlrman, 1976). Fertilizer application to the plots (nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and boron) were suggested by the author.

The variable soil pH entered the regression equation of zone 3 with a high regression coefficient. Studies of this area have shown that most of the soils are clayey soils with a high content of bauxite (a clayey substance that is the chief ore of aluminum) (Flores-Silva, 1920) and also, with low values of soil pH. The interpretation of the regression analysis for this zone is that the low values of soil pH limit the growth of this species. The future addition of more information will allow the drawing of stronger conclusions in relation to the effect of soil pH on growth of caribbean pine in Costa Rica.

Another overlap between regression models is the variables age and light in the regression model for the country, and variables age and radiation in the regression model of zone 1. A similar behavior was reported by White (1982) for Pinus silvestris in Great Britain, where variations in growth were associated mainly with solar radiation, soil texture, and soil moisture content.



The presence of variables light and radiation in the regression model for the country and zone 1, indicates that the species grows better under open light conditions or areas with greater number of hours of sunshine.

The variable age is important in the regression models because the range varies widely for the plots of this species. In the case of P. caribaea the variable is positively correlated with growth which may indicate that the growth in the plots has not reached the maximum point in its mean annual increment curve.

The greatest number of observations analyzed in this study was for P. caribaea, not only throughout the country but also by zones. For example, the number of plots included for zone 1 is larger than the total number of plots analyzed for Alnus, Cupressus and Gmelina. This should provide stronger results and more stable regression models. This can be observed in Appendix 6d where the use of two different approaches gives similar regression models.

Martínez (1981) found that the factor that was most closely related to the diameter and height growth of P. caribaea was the number of months of the year with precipitation greater than 100 mm (pluvioso). Eight soil variables included in his analysis were pH, organic matter content, carbon/nitrogen ratio, available phosphorus, cation exchange capacity (all of them from 0-5 cm depth) texture at three different levels 0-5 cm, 5-10 cm, and the 20-40 cm depth. Two other variables were the distribution of the precipitation (pluvioso, interm and ecosecos) and altitude of the plots.

The three regression equations presented in Table 9 agree to

certain degree with the findings of Martinez (1981). That is, the variable precipitation and those variables related to its distribution are present in the model from throughout the country and the zone 1 model as well. However, in the present study it was determined that more variables than those associated with precipitation are related to the growth of this species.

The  $R^2$  value reported by Martinez (1981) is 0.31 for the regression equation that used the mean annual increment in diameter as the response variable, and 0.30 when height was used as the dependent variable. The smallest value of  $R^2$  reported in the present study is 0.75 for the regression model for the country, and included five variables (table 9). The regression models for zones 1 and 3 had an  $R^2$  of 0.99 and very high significance.

A study conducted by Brito et al. (1975) in Venezuela showed that soil texture and its distribution in the profile, as well as soil drainage (Brito et al. 1975; Alterna, 1971) were the most important parameters for the growth of P. caribaea. However, soil texture was an important factor only for the regression model of zone 1 (variable sand).

The general observation of my regression analysis is that precipitation and its distribution through the years, the chemistry of the soil (specifically the exchangeable bases), and an energy factor (number of hours of sunshine and radiation received or interaction of these two variables) are the factors most closely related to the growth of caribbean pine in Costa Rica.

Regression Analysis for Tectona grandis L.

Table 10 summarizes the results of the regression analysis for teak. Twenty one plots from throughout the country were evaluated and these were distributed as follows: seven plots in zone 1, eight in zone 3, and six plots in zone 4.

A review of Table 10 shows that climatic and soil chemistry factors are strongly related to growth of this species, with soil factors being particularly significant.

The regression equation for data from throughout the country indicates a balance between climatic and soil factors. Three climatic and five soil variables are present in the models. For the other three regression models, soil variables dominate the regression equation.

The agreement among the variables in the regression models is high, both directly and indirectly. However, the inclusion of a few new variables was also part of the regression analysis results for T. grandis.

The range of precipitation for this species is between 500 and 5000 mm/year. However its best growth is between 1500 and 2000 mm/year (Camacho, 1981). This optimum precipitation is only reached in the driest part of Costa Rica, which is zone 4 in the study. This agrees with the regression analysis results of zone 4, which show only soil factors in the regression equation. It is possible, therefore, that the climatic factors are not limiting the growth of teak within this particular region.

Table 10. Multiple Regression Analysis for *Tectona grandis* using stepwise MAXR, for data from growth plots throughout the country as well as individual zones.

Zone	No. of obs. (n)	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent variable(s) selected and order of entrance	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
Throughout the country	21	28	volume growth	aclay light evap ecossecos ana ak age acani	$\hat{Y}=0.30-0.0084(\text{age})+0.14(\text{ecossecos})+0.0005(\text{light})-0.0003(\text{evap})-0.005(\text{aclay})-0.42(\text{ana})+0.36(\text{ak})+0.02(\text{acani})$	0.73	0.0043
1	7	28	volume growth	ap asand age aca tmax	$\hat{Y}=2.63+0.13(\text{age})-0.19(\text{tmax})+0.028(\text{asand})-0.11(\text{aca})+0.18(\text{ap})$	0.99	0.1115
3	8	28	volume growth	asilt aca ana age tmed	$\hat{Y}=7.89-0.031(\text{age})-0.074(\text{tmed})+0.015(\text{asilt})+0.037(\text{aca})-29.17(\text{ana})$	0.99	0.0001
4	6	28	volume growth	an asatb aph	$\hat{Y}=4.81-0.74(\text{aph})+0.0017(\text{asatb})+1.25(\text{an})$	0.99	0.0015

- <sup>1/</sup> age = Plantation age in years.  
ecossecos = Number of months of the year with precipitation less than 30 millimeters.  
light = Mean annual value for the daily hours of sunshine.  
evap = Mean annual evaporation. Expressed in millimeters.  
tmax = Mean annual maximum temperature in degree celcius.  
tmed = Mean annual average temperature in degree celcius.  
aca = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) calcium content. Expressed as milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
asilt = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) silt content. Expressed in percent by volume.  
an = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) nitrogen content. Expressed in percent.

- aclay = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) clay content. Expressed in percent by volume.  
asand = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) sand content. Expressed in percent by volume.  
ana = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) sodium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
ak = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) potassium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
acani = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) carbon/nitrogen ratio.  
aph = Mean profile (0-40 cm) soil pH.  
ap = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) phosphorus content. Expressed as available phosphorus in micrograms per milliliter.  
asatb = Mean soil profile (0-40 cm) base saturation. Expressed in percent.

<sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

These results agree with the results of Yadab and Sharma (1973) for the region of Madhya Pradesh, India, where the climatic conditions as well as the soil calcium content were found to be very significant in the natural distribution of teak in the area. However, when the mean annual rainfall of the areas studied were in the range of 1400 to 1500 mm/year, climatic factors assumed lesser importance and the edaphic factors appear to be the greater value in these particular areas.

Also related to the above results is the presence of the variable ecosecos (dry months) which shows a very strong coefficient in the regression model for the country. This suggests that the species is well adapted to dry areas for a period of three to five months, which is also what was mentioned by Camacho (1981). Using Appendix 5 it is possible to determine that the mean period of dryness for the plots evaluated is less than 1.5 months. For zones 1 and 3, where the majority of plots are located, there are only two dry months in the year. Teak, thus appears to grow best with moderate precipitation (1500-2000 mm/year), and a period of dryness lasting from 3 to 5 months.

The best growth temperature for teak is between 22°C and 27°C (Camacho, 1981). The mean annual temperature for the plots analyzed is 24.7°C, and the values of maximum and minimum temperature are still within the optimum range reported for the species. It was therefore surprising that the variables maximum and mean temperature were included in the regression model of zone 1, and zone 3, with a negative regression coefficient. Results like this

should be reviewed especially if more information is available for the analysis.

Another noticeable trend is the presence of exchangeable bases (sodium, potassium, and calcium) and the percentage base saturation in the regression models. As mentioned, the occurrence of teak in the south-west region of Madhya Pradesh is favored by a higher exchangeable calcium level under drier conditions (Yadav and Sharma, 1973).

Variables phosphorus and nitrogen in the regression model of zone 1 and zone 4, respectively, also have a strong regression coefficient. The significance of these variables is consistent with the general observation that this species responds well in fertile soils. Moreover, this also agrees with the results obtained for this species in India and Nigeria (Ojo, 1973). T. grandis in India showed responses to ammonium sulphate, superphosphate, or a combination of the two. For early growth stages of teak in Nigeria it was found to respond to superphosphate, often accompanied by a nitrogen-phosphorus interaction.

A multiple regression analysis of the growth of T. grandis was done by Martinez (1981) using twelve environmental factors. These twelve variables are the same mentioned for the analysis of P. caribaea. He found that the variables most strongly associated with growth in diameter were soil organic matter from the 0-5 cm depth, soil cation-exchange capacity from the 0-5 cm depth, the distribution of precipitation (mesic months), and soil texture in the 5-40 cm depth. For height growth only soil texture from 5-40 cm

was found significant.

The agreement between my regression models and that of Martinez is minimal. The  $R^2$  value reported by Martinez, using the mean annual diameter increment as the dependent variable is 0.79, and 0.59 using the mean annual height increment. The smallest  $R^2$  value shown in Table 10 is 0.78 for the regression model of the country which uses the mean annual increment in volume as the dependent variable. The regression analysis done by Martinez (1981) was based on fewer environmental factors than used here, and those were the variables more highly correlated between themselves. In addition, he used mean annual increments in diameter and height of the trees as the dependent variables, while I selected the mean annual increment in volume as the dependent variable.

The general observation that can be drawn from the regression analysis for this species is that soil texture and exchangeable bases are the factors most closely related to the behavior of the teak in Costa Rica. More data would possibly reduce the number of independent variables entered into the regression model or increase the overlap between the different regression models for this species in the zones as well as in the country as a whole.

#### General Observations from the Regression Analysis

Growth curves for the five tree species analysed in this study were included in Camacho's (1981) study. These curves give a graphical representation of the growth variation within and between zones (see Figures 3 to 11 in Appendix 11). Some of

these curves, as in the case of Figure 11, show a large variation in tree growth in a given zone. Moreover, the comparison of Figures 10 and 11 seems to indicate that the growth variation within zone 3 is greater than between zones 1 and 3. A possible explanation of the above results is that soil characteristics vary greatly within zone 3, and because of this, teak is responding to changes in soil properties. This is in agreement to the general regression analysis results of my study, in which the soil factors were more frequently entered into the regression models than the other variables.

The regression analysis produced useful equations for predicting the growth of trees of interest in Costa Rica. It yielded many statistically significant relationships (e.g., Table 4), and the overall number of environmental factors was reduced from twenty eight to twelve for the analysis of data from the entire country. For the analyses by zones and by species, nineteen variables were found to affect the growth of these five species (see Table 5). However, the number of environmental factors that remained in the regression equation for individual species was reduced to four for Alnus, Cupressus, and Gmelina, five for Pinus, and eight for Tectona. The values of  $R^2$  for the regression equations ranged from 0.75 for P. caribaea to 0.99 for C. lusitanica. In the regression analysis by zones, the number of environmental factors that remained in the regression equation was similar as those for the country, however, the selection of a lower number of variables was also frequent for species Alnus, Cupressus, and Gmelina.



The variables selected for the regression models of the country were not necessarily the same as those for specific zones. There is no reason to expect the analysis for the country to select the same variables that were selected in the analysis of a specific zone. The variation of any given environmental variable within a zone is likely to be quite different than within the country. For example, in a zone with uniformly high precipitation, factors other than moisture (nutrients, soil texture, etc.) limit growth; whereas for the country as a whole, differences in precipitation may be the dominant factor influencing growth.

The reduction in the number of variables selected in the analysis by zones (compared to the analysis for the country), plus a noticeable increase in  $R^2$  indicates that the variation in the environmental factors is reduced if the regression analysis is done by specific geographic regions. This makes sense statistically and agrees with the results above. However, the small number of observation considered in the regression analysis by zones does not allow this to be presented as a strong conclusion. To draw stronger conclusions more data must be obtained.

The four variables most frequently included in the regression equations of these five species in the country were the distribution of the precipitation, percent soil base saturation, soil potassium content, and the age of the trees.

For the analysis of individual zones, the five variables that most frequently entered the regression equations were soil sodium content, soil cation exchange capacity, soil nitrogen content,

soil silt content, and the age of the trees.

The overall number of environmental factors that entered the regression equations of these species in the country was similar for climatic and soil factors. In contrast, for the regression equations by specific zones, the overall number of soil factors greatly increased. Clearly the variation in climate is reduced if the analysis is done by zones, however, the small number and dispersed location of meteorological stations (particularly station type A) results in extrapolations that introduce another source of variation affecting these results.

Three different dependent growth variables (dbh, height, and volume growth) were combined through a multivariate analysis. The summarization of the data by the principal component analysis was effective in reducing the number of environmental factors, although the following step (canonical correlation) did not give satisfactory results. In most cases the analyses were difficult to interpret and did not follow a reasonable pattern. Despite this, multivariate analysis could become a useful tool in the summarization and interpretation of such data, especially if the sample size is increased.

## CONCLUSIONS

Although cause and effect should not be assumed from a regression analysis, the consistency of the results obtained in this study allows the following conclusions.

- 1) The relationships between the growth of these species and environmental influences were successfully determined by the regression analysis, in the sense that the selection of variables, using different methods, was consistent throughout the study.
- 2) Variation in climatic variables was reduced when the analysis was done by zones, in such a way that soil characteristics were the factors most frequently included in the regression models.
- 3) Regression models with stronger relationships ( $R^2$  values) were found when the analysis was done by individual zones than for the country.
- 4) Environmental factors affecting the growth of the species in a zone were not necessarily the same as those affecting the species in the entire country.
- 5) For individual species in different growth zones, one or more similar independent variables were frequently selected. However, the addition of other variables into the regression models was also common, showing the response of the species to changes in the environment.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1 1/

Population statistics and correlation matrices for  
climatic and soil factors used in the regression  
analysis of Alnus acuminata

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1/ For the description of the variables and unit of measurement  
see appendix 7.

## SPECIFIC JAMES

VARIABLE	N	MEAN	STD DEV	SUM	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
ALT	14	1914.28571429	555.59689712	27000.00000000	1100.00000000	2520.00000000
IMAX	14	19.51428571	5.35994505	273.20000000	12.00000000	26.30000000
IMIN	14	12.14285714	4.60446510	170.00000000	5.40000000	17.00000000
IMD	14	15.20000000	5.04640009	212.40000000	7.90000000	20.20000000
IMHM	14	11.77142857	4.11907917	1167.20000000	77.90000000	111.50000000
LIMH	14	1871.64285714	255.75397846	26203.00000000	1215.00000000	2440.00000000
MAP	14	420.75000000	61.13810675	5814.90000000	321.40000000	471.00000000
PHFCIP	14	210.75714286	72.02111331	1935.00000000	2009.00000000	3759.00000000
EVAP	14	599.07142857	95.02183092	1117.00000000	490.00000000	1101.00000000
PLUVIOSO	14	1.64285714	1.54954797	121.00000000	7.00000000	11.00000000
THLEW	14	1.42857141	0.51355252	20.00000000	1.00000000	2.00000000
ELUSFCUS	14	1.92857141	1.49173547	27.00000000	0	4.00000000
AGE	14	7.36428571	4.23176019	103.10000000	0.60000000	13.00000000
ASANO	9	11.43055556	11.17179609	570.17500000	45.75000000	80.00000000
ASILT	9	21.10555556	11.16220116	254.75000000	14.50000000	34.00000000
ACLAY	9	11.25000000	5.01667474	74.25000000	5.50000000	20.25000000
ALA	11	2.77421975	2.09510259	22.19375000	1.16750000	6.12750000
AMH	11	0.90265625	1.00799751	7.22125000	0.24000000	2.75500000
AHA	11	0.28460750	0.08231785	2.77750000	0.20125000	0.45750000
AR	11	0.76671875	0.12232611	2.77375000	0.12000000	0.99625000
ALCC	11	31.71417500	19.91552134	254.27500000	13.91250000	58.16250000
ASATH	11	14.60312500	5.94743623	116.12500000	4.27500000	22.61750000
APH	11	5.51750000	0.40010711	44.70000000	4.75000000	5.93750000
AC	11	4.119617500	2.11163510	39.17500000	2.61250000	9.18750000
AMU	11	11.44617500	4.11249121	67.57500000	4.51250000	15.15000000
AM	11	0.46406250	0.29012293	3.71250000	0.21250000	0.87500000
AP	11	6.31125000	3.111529514	51.05000000	3.72500000	14.50000000
ALANI	11	11.51593750	1.73178141	92.21750000	9.10000000	13.06250000

CORRELATION COEFFICIENTS / PRIOR > THE UPPER TRIANGULAR / N = 14

	ALT	TMAX	TMIN	TMEQ	HMM	LIGHT	RAI	PRECIP	EVAP	PLUVIOSO	INTERM	ECOSFCOS	AGE
ALT	1.00000 0.0000	-0.75135 0.0019	-0.70768 0.0001	-0.79460 0.0006	-0.78415 0.0008	0.24748 0.3436	0.77977 0.0010	-0.60161 0.0228	0.36919 0.1919	-0.01685 0.9544	-0.43828 0.1170	0.16819 0.5650	0.73088 0.0030
TMAX	-0.75195 0.0019	1.00000 0.0000	0.97711 0.0001	0.98462 0.0001	0.62657 0.0165	0.11841 0.6460	-0.48596 0.0701	0.51898 0.0572	-0.04561 0.8769	0.01270 0.9656	0.61240 0.0199	-0.22402 0.4413	-0.68685 0.0067
TMIN	-0.90764 0.0001	0.97711 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.97054 0.0001	0.82149 0.0003	-0.17705 0.5470	-0.65042 0.0118	0.64500 0.0127	-0.24590 0.3170	0.00317 0.7774	0.61948 0.0181	-0.29966 0.2979	-0.76055 0.0016
TMEQ	-0.79460 0.0006	0.98462 0.0001	0.97054 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.71315 0.0042	-0.04956 0.8664	-0.51777 0.0579	0.57162 0.0127	-0.12035 0.6870	0.02066 0.9441	0.65894 0.0104	-0.24431 0.3920	-0.72753 0.0032
HMM	-0.78415 0.0008	0.62657 0.0165	0.82149 0.0001	0.71315 0.0042	1.00000 0.0000	-0.55441 0.0196	-0.52923 0.0516	0.80267 0.0005	-0.60018 0.0233	0.44178 0.1178	0.40987 0.1455	-0.60001 0.0233	-0.57391 0.0319
LIGHT	0.24744 0.1916	0.11841 0.6068	-0.17705 0.5470	-0.04956 0.4604	-0.55441 0.0196	1.00000 0.0000	0.77714 0.3660	-0.17419 0.1872	0.44840 0.1070	-0.17446 0.5508	-0.28221 0.3283	0.27837 0.3152	0.15398 0.5992
RAI	0.77977 0.0010	-0.48596 0.0701	-0.65042 0.0118	-0.51777 0.0579	-0.52923 0.0516	0.27214 0.3666	1.00000 0.0000	-0.52760 0.0525	0.21180 0.4252	0.01759 0.9574	-0.53814 0.0471	0.16698 0.5683	0.37311 0.1889
PRECIP	-0.60161 0.0228	0.51898 0.0572	0.64500 0.0127	0.57162 0.0127	0.80267 0.0005	-0.37419 0.1872	-0.52760 0.0525	1.00000 0.0000	-0.41042 0.0004	0.01813 0.0185	0.39508 0.1671	-0.77810 0.0010	-0.11601 0.6929
EVAP	0.36919 0.1919	-0.04561 0.8769	-0.24590 0.3170	-0.12035 0.6870	-0.60018 0.0233	0.44840 0.1070	0.23180 0.4252	-0.01042 0.0004	1.00000 0.0000	-0.47532 0.0040	0.06869 0.8155	0.67784 0.0077	-0.10616 0.7179
PLUVIOSO	-0.01685 0.9544	0.01270 0.9656	0.00317 0.7774	0.02066 0.9441	0.44178 0.1178	-0.17446 0.5508	0.01759 0.9574	0.61813 0.0185	-0.67532 0.0040	1.00000 0.0000	-0.27618 0.3392	-0.94367 0.0001	0.21574 0.4584
INTERM	-0.43828 0.1170	0.61240 0.0199	0.61948 0.0181	0.65894 0.0104	0.40987 0.1455	-0.28221 0.3283	-0.53814 0.0471	0.19508 0.1621	0.06868 0.8155	-0.27618 0.3392	1.00000 0.0000	-0.05738 0.8455	-0.36700 0.1968
ECOSFCOS	0.16819 0.5650	-0.22402 0.4413	-0.29966 0.2979	-0.24811 0.3920	-0.60001 0.0233	0.27837 0.3152	0.16698 0.5683	-0.77810 0.0010	0.67784 0.0077	-0.94367 0.0001	-0.05738 0.8455	1.00000 0.0000	-0.09776 0.7395
AGE	0.73088 0.0030	-0.68685 0.0067	-0.76055 0.0016	-0.72753 0.0032	-0.57391 0.0319	0.15398 0.5992	0.37311 0.1889	-0.11601 0.6929	-0.10616 0.7179	0.21574 0.4488	-0.36700 0.1968	-0.09776 0.7395	1.00000 0.0000

Correlation Coefficients / Pairs of the Given Variables / Number of Observations

	ASANI	ASILI	ACLAT	ACA	AMG	ANA	AA	ALIC	ASABH	APH	AC	AMH	AN	AP	ACANI
ASANI	1.00000 0.0000 0	-0.90525 0.0007 0	-0.76160 0.0217 0	-0.55018 0.1521 0	-0.10973 0.3764 0	0.00129 0.0155 0	-0.42555 0.2937 0	0.11025 0.7969 0	-0.56118 0.1678 0	0.19772 0.6108 0	0.25776 0.5377 0	0.25559 0.5612 0	0.21222 0.6139 0	-0.26117 0.5201 0	-0.01419 0.9050 0
ASILI		1.00000 0.0007 0	0.19519 0.2221 0	0.19179 0.0056 0	0.00025 0.9995 0	-0.76019 0.0157 0	0.00160 0.9916 0	-0.55006 0.1578 0	0.55210 0.1558 0	0.11477 0.7867 0	-0.58106 0.1286 0	-0.58165 0.1104 0	-0.56847 0.1485 0	0.21121 0.5917 0	0.62502 0.2200 0
ACLAT			1.00000 0.0217 0	0.79606 0.0184 0	0.00180 0.0025 0	-0.57117 0.0191 0	0.79155 0.0191 0	0.40067 0.1928 0	-0.16986 0.1914 0	0.25757 0.5190 0	0.25886 0.5159 0	0.11111 0.4501 0	0.19007 0.6161 0	-0.50251 0.6161 0	
ACA				1.00000 0.1521 0	0.77127 0.0001 0	-0.69202 0.0001 0	0.97512 0.2190 0	0.97011 0.0908 0	0.60017 0.0908 0	-0.15704 0.5976 0	0.22192 0.5976 0	0.22415 0.5976 0	0.15097 0.1011 0	-0.11116 0.6161 0	-0.01614 0.2200 0
AMG					1.00000 0.0001 0	-0.54157 0.0001 0	0.98205 0.0001 0	0.50047 0.1984 0	0.02007 0.0954 0	-0.05074 0.0910 0	0.24994 0.5505 0	0.25174 0.5476 0	0.19306 0.1346 0	-0.22120 0.6161 0	-0.01109 0.0000 0
ANA						1.00000 0.0155 0	-0.52056 0.1859 0	0.02601 0.0766 0	-0.65710 0.0766 0	0.09605 0.0747 0	0.09678 0.0747 0	0.09625 0.0903 0	-0.00306 0.9903 0	-0.26079 0.5110 0	0.21700 0.5705 0
AA							1.00000 0.2937 0	0.59991 0.0000 0	0.51044 0.1705 0	-0.21166 0.0160 0	0.11308 0.4701 0	0.11666 0.4778 0	0.45961 0.2521 0	-0.19402 0.6557 0	-0.07255 0.0000 0
ALIC								1.00000 0.0000 0	-0.34767 0.1907 0	-0.74956 0.0323 0	0.91912 0.0005 0	0.93910 0.0005 0	0.95775 0.0002 0	0.10054 0.6695 0	-0.01516 0.0116 0
ASABH									1.00000 0.0000 0	0.56965 0.1405 0	-0.57518 0.1150 0	-0.57110 0.1175 0	-0.41065 0.2772 0	-0.51714 0.1908 0	-0.19472 0.0000 0
APH										1.00000 0.0000 0	-0.01014 0.0148 0	-0.01033 0.0147 0	-0.75233 0.0313 0	-0.90113 0.0149 0	0.10502 0.6620 0
AC											1.00000 0.0000 0	0.99999 0.0001 0	0.99999 0.0001 0	0.99999 0.0001 0	-0.66900 0.0012 0
AMH												1.00000 0.0000 0	0.99999 0.0001 0	0.99999 0.0001 0	-0.66900 0.0000 0
AN													1.00000 0.0000 0	0.99999 0.0001 0	-0.66900 0.0000 0
AP														1.00000 0.0000 0	0.12743 0.7629 0
ACANI															1.00000 0.0000 0

APPENDIX 2 <sup>1/</sup>

Population statistics and correlation matrices for  
climatic and soil factors used in the regression  
analysis of Cupressus lusitanica

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<sup>1/</sup> For the description of the variables and unit of measurement  
see appendix 7.

SPECIFICATIONS

VARIABLE	N	MEAN	STD DEV	SUM	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
ALT	14	1860.61111111	518.76517851	13491.00000000	1100.00000000	2620.00000000
IMAX	14	21.46111111	4.69594805	306.30000000	12.00000000	24.20000000
IMIN	14	12.16111111	3.24565572	222.50000000	5.40000000	15.30000000
IMH	14	16.96111111	4.42444784	105.30000000	7.40000000	19.50000000
MPHM	14	82.90000000	2.89461976	1492.20000000	77.90000000	88.30000000
LIGHT	14	1918.00000000	61.19688573	34524.00000000	1687.00000000	1939.00000000
HAD	14	463.67777778	31.61114211	8335.40000000	328.40000000	471.00000000
PRECIP	14	2364.11111111	585.15678029	42554.00000000	1378.00000000	3346.00000000
EVAP	14	624.00000000	59.87044837	11232.00000000	490.00000000	650.00000000
PLUVIOSO	14	7.81333333	1.20049010	141.00000000	6.00000000	11.00000000
INFORM	14	1.66666667	0.68594434	19.00000000	0	3.00000000
ECOSECOS	14	2.50000000	1.15044748	45.00000000	0	4.00000000
AGE	14	12.64444444	8.38017424	227.60000000	5.00000000	30.00000000
ASANI	14	46.50892857	17.54269958	651.12500000	11.25000000	79.87500000
ASILT	14	32.78571429	7.10150116	459.00000000	14.50000000	45.00000000
ALLAY	14	20.69642857	15.01783004	289.75000000	5.50000000	60.50000000
ACA	13	5.59884615	4.53598159	72.78500000	0.18750000	13.47500000
AMG	13	1.97557692	1.58883739	25.68250000	0.24000000	3.98625000
ANA	13	0.38240785	0.34811601	4.97125000	0.18000000	1.49250000
AR	13	0.65403446	0.42584938	8.50250000	0.12000000	1.52875000
ALFC	13	17.94421077	16.71938481	493.27500000	11.91250000	56.27500000
ASATH	13	21.15192308	12.18114436	277.57500000	5.57500000	45.77500000
APU	13	5.64119015	0.35367802	73.11750000	4.75000000	6.26250000
AL	13	4.98269231	2.11681812	64.77500000	2.61250000	9.18750000
AMU	13	8.57084615	3.65144230	111.52500000	4.51250000	15.85000000
AN	13	0.46057692	0.23098781	5.98750000	0.21250000	0.87500000
AP	13	7.44119615	7.53120658	103.23750000	3.11250000	30.65000000
ALANI	13	11.61619615	1.75881992	151.01250000	9.42500000	14.90000000



REGRESSION COEFFICIENTS / PROB > |T| FROM MULTIPLE / NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS

	ASAMI	ASILE	ACLAY	ACA	APG	ANA	AK	ALIC	ASAIN	AMH	AC	AMU	AM	AP	ALANI
ASAMI	1.0000 0.0000 14	-0.5117 0.0507 14	-0.9169 0.0001 14	-0.0724 0.0000 14	-0.2509 0.4094 14	-0.0010 0.0070 14	-0.2542 0.0000 14	-0.1610 0.2756 14	0.1406 0.6468 14	-0.0125 0.9676 14	-0.2004 0.4952 14	-0.2000 0.4932 14	-0.0000 0.7737 14	0.1000 0.5000 14	0.1000 0.5000 14
ASILE	-0.5117 0.0507 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.1409 0.6112 14	-0.1000 0.5101 14	0.0110 0.4700 14	0.1000 0.5562 14	-0.0110 0.4144 14	0.2469 0.4101 14	-0.2129 0.1061 14	-0.0927 0.7664 14	0.1229 0.0890 14	0.1214 0.6701 14	0.1970 0.5107 14	-0.1000 0.5107 14	-0.2129 0.6107 14
ACLAY	-0.9169 0.0001 14	0.1409 0.6112 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.1100 0.6020 14	0.2521 0.4000 14	-0.0560 0.0000 14	0.2744 0.1662 14	0.2000 0.1426 14	-0.0522 0.0611 14	0.0450 0.0422 14	0.1717 0.5751 14	0.1710 0.5764 14	0.0249 0.9154 14	-0.1100 0.6506 14	0.2000 0.1422 14
ACA	-0.0724 0.0000 14	0.1000 0.5111 14	0.1100 0.6020 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14
APG	-0.2509 0.4094 14	0.0110 0.0000 14	0.2521 0.4000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14
ANA	-0.0010 0.0070 14	0.1000 0.5562 14	-0.0560 0.0000 14	0.4717 0.1036 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14
AK	-0.2542 0.0000 14	-0.0110 0.0000 14	0.2744 0.1662 14	0.0560 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14
ALIC	-0.1610 0.2756 14	0.2469 0.4101 14	0.2000 0.1426 14	0.0522 0.0611 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14
ASAIN	0.1406 0.6468 14	-0.2129 0.1061 14	-0.0927 0.7664 14	0.0249 0.9154 14	0.2949 0.2949 14	0.2949 0.2949 14	0.2949 0.2949 14	0.2949 0.2949 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.4424 0.1797 14	-0.1000 0.5790 14	-0.1000 0.5502 14	-0.1000 0.7101 14	0.1000 0.1000 14	0.1000 0.1000 14
AMH	-0.0125 0.9676 14	-0.0927 0.7664 14	0.0450 0.0422 14	0.2949 0.1200 14	0.2949 0.1111 14	0.2949 0.0249 14	0.2949 0.0249 14	0.2949 0.0249 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	-0.4902 0.0000 14	-0.4915 0.0000 14	-0.4616 0.1051 14	0.4616 0.1051 14	0.4616 0.1051 14
AC	-0.2000 0.4952 14	0.1229 0.0890 14	0.1214 0.6701 14	0.1970 0.5107 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14
AMU	-0.2000 0.4932 14	0.1214 0.6701 14	0.1710 0.5764 14	0.0249 0.9154 14	0.1100 0.5000 14	0.1000 0.1107 14	0.1000 0.1107 14	0.1000 0.1107 14	0.0590 0.0000 14	0.7131 0.5562 14	-0.1000 0.0000 14	-0.4915 0.0000 14	0.9999 0.0000 14	1.0000 0.0000 14	0.9740 0.0000 14
AM	-0.0000 0.7737 14	0.1970 0.5107 14	0.0249 0.9154 14	0.2949 0.1200 14	0.2949 0.1111 14	0.2949 0.0249 14	0.2949 0.0249 14	0.2949 0.0249 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14	0.0000 0.0000 14
AP	0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.1000 0.5000 14
ALANI	-0.1000 0.5000 14	-0.2129 0.6107 14	0.2000 0.1422 14	-0.0560 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14	-0.0000 0.0000 14

CONRELATION COEFFICIENTS / PROJ > |P| UNDEF UNDEF=0 / N = 18

	ALT	TMAX	TMIN	TMEU	HRRM	LIMT	RAI	PRECIP	LVAP	PLUVIOSO	INTEHM	ECOSFCOS	AGF
ALT	1.00000 0.0000	-0.64245 0.0040	-0.64681 0.0016	-0.64926 0.0035	-0.51948 0.0271	0.03432 0.0769	0.19754 0.4320	0.10295 0.6844	0.14092 0.5770	0.24188 0.3335	-0.64322 0.0040	0.13114 0.6040	-0.02728 0.9144
TMAX	-0.64245 0.0040	1.00000 0.0000	0.94463 0.0001	0.99896 0.0001	0.51281 0.0295	0.17163 0.4459	-0.05521 0.8277	0.14248 0.4441	0.15269 0.5451	-0.21825 0.3843	0.46868 0.0498	-0.05172 0.8385	-0.10986 0.6641
TMIN	-0.64681 0.0016	0.94463 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.95896 0.0001	0.74278 0.0004	-0.07952 0.7538	-0.22598 0.3672	0.14831 0.7132	-0.16450 0.5142	-0.07574 0.7652	0.46675 0.0509	-0.19928 0.4279	-0.06760 0.7898
TMEU	-0.64926 0.0035	0.99896 0.0001	0.95896 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.54752 0.0187	0.13522 0.5927	-0.04731 0.8521	0.14843 0.4299	0.11888 0.6185	-0.20504 0.4144	0.46832 0.0500	-0.06529 0.7969	-0.09743 0.7005
HRRM	-0.51948 0.0271	0.51281 0.0295	0.74278 0.0004	0.54752 0.0187	1.00000 0.0000	-0.63479 0.0047	-0.25865 0.3000	0.36576 0.1355	-0.73724 0.0005	0.22345 0.3728	0.27846 0.2612	-0.39921 0.1008	0.11118 0.6605
LIMT	0.03432 0.0769	0.17163 0.4459	-0.07952 0.7538	0.13522 0.5927	-0.63479 0.0047	1.00000 0.0000	0.13458 0.5944	-0.41850 0.0839	0.80281 0.0001	-0.64135 0.0041	0.17655 0.4834	0.56397 0.0148	0.02526 0.9208
RAI	0.19754 0.4320	-0.05521 0.8277	-0.22598 0.3672	-0.04731 0.8521	-0.25865 0.3000	0.13458 0.5944	1.00000 0.0000	-0.41877 0.0837	0.50855 0.3122	-0.24254 0.3122	-0.12127 0.6317	0.32540 0.1876	0.16512 0.5126
PRECIP	0.10295 0.6844	0.14248 0.4441	0.14831 0.7132	0.14843 0.4299	0.14850 0.4185	-0.41877 0.0837	1.00000 0.0000	-0.35812 0.1445	0.65569 0.0031	0.65569 0.0031	-0.15655 0.5350	-0.59096 0.0098	-0.34581 0.1609
LVAP	0.14092 0.5770	0.15269 0.5451	0.16450 0.5142	0.11888 0.6185	-0.73724 0.0005	0.80281 0.0001	0.50855 0.3122	-0.35812 0.1445	1.00000 0.0000	-0.44686 0.0630	0.00573 0.9820	0.46288 0.0531	-0.14224 0.5734
PLUVIOSO	0.24188 0.3335	-0.21825 0.3843	-0.07574 0.7652	-0.20504 0.4144	0.22345 0.3728	-0.64135 0.0041	-0.24254 0.3122	0.65569 0.0031	-0.44686 0.0630	1.00000 0.0000	-0.35714 0.1457	-0.81054 0.0001	-0.39214 0.1075
INTEHM	-0.64322 0.0040	0.46868 0.0498	0.46675 0.0509	0.46832 0.0500	0.27846 0.2632	0.17655 0.4834	-0.12127 0.6317	-0.15655 0.5350	0.00573 0.9820	-0.15714 0.1457	1.00000 0.0000	-0.22361 0.3724	0.16645 0.5092
ECOSFCOS	0.13114 0.6040	-0.05172 0.8385	-0.19928 0.4279	-0.06529 0.7969	-0.39921 0.1008	0.56397 0.0148	0.10540 0.1876	-0.59096 0.0098	0.46288 0.0531	-0.81054 0.0001	-0.22361 0.3724	1.00000 0.0000	0.30995 0.2107
AGF	-0.02728 0.9144	-0.10986 0.6641	-0.06760 0.7898	-0.09743 0.7005	0.11118 0.6605	0.02526 0.9208	0.16512 0.5126	-0.34581 0.1609	-0.14224 0.5734	-0.39214 0.1075	0.16645 0.5092	0.30995 0.2107	1.00000 0.0000

APPENDIX 3 <sup>1/</sup>

Population statistics and correlation matrices for  
climatic and soil factors used in the regression  
analysis of Gmelina arborea

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<sup>1/</sup> For the description of the variables and unit of measurement  
see appendix 7.

## SPECIES=H111A

VARIABLE	N	MEAN	STD DEV	SUM	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
ALT	16	174.7500000	176.9660642	3116.0000000	20.0000000	500.0000000
FMAL	16	70.6125000	2.08642437	489.8000000	27.0000000	72.8000000
FMIN	16	21.1912500	1.44279969	338.9000000	18.0000000	22.9000000
FMED	16	25.2250000	1.73721919	403.6000000	22.1000000	27.2000000
MMAX	16	83.1437500	4.77897760	1330.1000000	76.5000000	88.0000000
L1MAX	16	2054.8125000	199.69100184	72877.0000000	1563.0000000	2557.0000000
MMI	16	161.2750000	64.64638685	5780.4000000	291.4000000	495.4000000
PMFCIP	16	3278.8750000	1306.86775076	52462.0000000	1335.0000000	4642.0000000
EVAP	16	1042.6250000	668.83718681	16682.0000000	769.0000000	2008.0000000
PLUVIOSO	16	9.0000000	2.33889839	144.0000000	6.0000000	12.0000000
DIFFMM	16	1.0000000	1.09544512	16.0000000	0	3.0000000
ECLOSECUS	16	2.0000000	2.09761770	32.0000000	0	5.0000000
ACE	16	6.0437500	2.64901711	96.7000000	1.0000000	12.0000000
ASAND	12	46.14791667	28.42791222	554.3750000	16.7500000	81.7500000
ASILT	12	29.54166667	18.7709763	354.5000000	13.7500000	50.0000000
ACLAY	12	24.26041667	15.90169268	291.1250000	3.0000000	55.7500000
ALA	12	9.87520833	10.71402889	118.5025000	0.7787500	40.2012500
AMu	12	2.07125000	1.69406736	24.8550000	0.2962500	5.5512500
ANA	12	0.28979167	0.09171691	3.4775000	0.2125000	0.5362500
AK	12	0.51447917	0.35725972	6.1737500	0.0450000	1.2575000
ALCC	12	76.61875000	9.85235825	439.4250000	12.7875000	48.6500000
ASAIR	12	34.79583333	25.70866902	417.5500000	4.7625000	87.9625000
APM	12	6.10104167	0.67387234	73.2125000	4.8375000	7.0625000
AL	12	3.44895833	1.69164419	41.3875000	1.2000000	6.9875000
AMU	12	5.85520833	2.97174088	70.2625000	2.0750000	11.9875000
AN	12	0.72195833	0.20994171	3.8875000	0.1125000	0.7500000
AP	12	9.87604167	16.15056778	118.5125000	2.1125000	59.8125000
ALAND	12	11.46041667	2.67527523	137.5250000	8.2875000	16.7250000

CORRELATION COEFFICIENTS / FROM THE UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION / N = 16

	ALT	MAX	MIN	MOD	MMM	LIMIT	HAU	PRECIP	EVAP	PLUVIOSO	INTEHM	ECOSOCOS	AGE
ALT	1.00000 0.00000	-0.49543 0.0504	-0.85378 0.0001	-0.70447 0.0023	0.42594 0.1000	-0.41252 0.1123	0.03067 0.9102	0.25521 0.1401	-0.17844 0.1484	0.08675 0.7494	0.23818 0.3740	-0.22119 0.4104	0.08379 0.7577
MAX	-0.49543 0.0504	1.00000 0.0000	0.66727 0.0047	0.93021 0.0001	-0.62313 0.0049	0.74678 0.0004	0.13982 0.1978	-0.56898 0.0214	0.68823 0.0012	-0.50291 0.0471	0.13418 0.6203	0.49050 0.0537	0.04923 0.8563
MIN	-0.85378 0.0001	0.66727 0.0047	1.00000 0.0000	0.87123 0.0001	-0.39343 0.1116	0.41771 0.0899	0.07052 0.7949	-0.46741 0.0679	0.44411 0.0848	-0.30380 0.2527	-0.13866 0.6086	0.41104 0.1137	0.10326 0.7035
MOD	-0.70447 0.0023	0.93021 0.0001	0.87123 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.62672 0.0000	0.68081 0.0017	0.24941 0.3516	-0.43468 0.0041	0.70112 0.0025	-0.47598 0.0624	-0.06306 0.8165	0.56347 0.0230	0.12433 0.6464
MMM	0.42594 0.1000	-0.62313 0.0049	-0.39343 0.1116	-0.62672 0.0000	1.00000 0.0000	-0.91825 0.0001	-0.55654 0.0252	0.75471 0.0007	-0.14844 0.74878	0.74878 0.0000	-0.04075 0.8809	-0.81334 0.0001	0.16784 0.5364
LIMIT	-0.41252 0.1123	0.74678 0.0004	0.41771 0.0899	0.68081 0.0017	-0.91825 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.51686 0.0404	-0.72828 0.0014	0.89201 0.0001	-0.88483 0.0001	0.31650 0.2025	0.72694 0.0014	-0.21634 0.4210
HAU	0.03067 0.9102	0.13982 0.1978	0.07052 0.7949	0.24941 0.3516	-0.55654 0.0252	0.51686 0.0404	1.00000 0.0000	-0.58926 0.0163	0.59129 0.0159	-0.59487 0.0151	0.02532 0.9258	0.64984 0.0064	-0.05167 0.8493
PRECIP	0.25521 0.1401	-0.56898 0.0214	-0.46741 0.0679	-0.63668 0.0001	0.75471 0.0007	-0.72620 0.0014	-0.58926 0.0163	1.00000 0.0000	-0.90520 0.0001	0.95756 0.0001	-0.00417 0.9389	-0.49567 0.0001	-0.20347 0.4498
EVAP	-0.17844 0.1484	0.68823 0.0012	0.44411 0.0848	0.70112 0.0025	-0.94844 0.0001	0.89201 0.0001	0.59129 0.0159	-0.90520 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.80547 0.0002	-0.00714 0.9789	0.90157 0.0001	0.03174 0.9071
PLUVIOSO	0.08675 0.7494	-0.50291 0.0471	-0.13866 0.6203	-0.47598 0.0624	0.74878 0.0000	-0.80481 0.0001	-0.59487 0.0151	0.89756 0.0001	-0.40547 0.0002	1.00000 0.0000	-0.44249 0.0861	-0.88756 0.0001	0.01615 0.9527
INTEHM	0.23818 0.3740	0.13418 0.6203	-0.13866 0.6086	-0.06306 0.8165	-0.84075 0.8809	0.31650 0.2025	0.02532 0.9258	-0.00037 0.9989	-0.00719 0.9789	-0.44249 0.0861	1.00000 0.0000	-0.02401 0.9151	-0.27569 0.3014
ECOSOCOS	-0.22119 0.4104	0.49050 0.0537	0.41104 0.1137	0.56347 0.0230	-0.81334 0.0001	0.72694 0.0014	0.64984 0.0064	-0.49567 0.0001	0.40157 0.0001	-0.84356 0.0001	-0.02901 0.9151	1.00000 0.0000	0.12598 0.6420
AGE	0.08379 0.7577	0.04923 0.8563	0.10326 0.7035	0.12433 0.6464	0.16784 0.5364	-0.21634 0.4210	-0.05167 0.8493	-0.20347 0.4498	0.03174 0.9071	0.01615 0.9527	-0.27569 0.3014	0.12598 0.6420	1.00000 0.0000

CORRELATION COEFFICIENTS / PRIOR > INI UPPER HOIHHH=0 / N = 12

	ASAMU	ASILT	ACLAY	ACA	AMU	AMA	AK	ACEC	ASAIM	APH	AC	AMO	AN	AP	ALANI
ASAMU	1.00000 0.0000	-0.63710 0.0259	-0.85275 0.0004	-0.18621 0.5627	-0.66582 0.0181	-0.45407 0.1381	-0.64194 0.0244	0.20269 0.5275	-0.36696 0.2406	-0.04467 0.8904	0.65444 0.0209	0.67397 0.0162	0.78446 0.0025	-0.19485 0.5465	-0.19485 0.2950
ASILT	-0.63710 0.0259	1.00000 0.0000	0.14069 0.6628	0.23704 0.4582	0.72026 0.0082	0.57650 0.0527	0.73175 0.0068	-0.03281 0.4191	0.40981 0.1858	0.42685 0.1664	-0.35572 0.2565	-0.38669 0.2143	-0.50310 0.0955	0.44881 0.1075	0.28465 0.3639
ACLAY	-0.85275 0.0004	0.14069 0.6628	1.00000 0.0000	0.07858 0.8082	0.16715 0.2404	0.19665 0.5402	0.32869 0.4561	-0.21810 0.4561	0.19765 0.5465	-0.23188 0.4683	-0.59956 0.0393	-0.60366 0.0377	-0.66669 0.0179	-0.04195 0.4801	0.31126 0.3215
ACA	-0.18621 0.5627	0.23704 0.4582	0.07858 0.8082	1.00000 0.0000	0.29655 0.3527	0.14130 0.6614	0.28863 0.3629	-0.03232 0.4286	0.87064 0.0002	0.66226 0.0198	-0.44096 0.1513	-0.43795 0.1545	-0.38340 0.2186	0.80564 0.9861	-0.04526 0.8889
AMU	-0.45407 0.0181	0.57650 0.0527	0.16715 0.2404	0.29655 0.3527	1.00000 0.0000	0.59202 0.0426	0.73624 0.0061	0.08886 0.4027	0.50214 0.0962	0.40024 0.1173	-0.36012 0.2499	-0.38082 0.2220	-0.46692 0.1259	0.11561 0.7209	0.12769 0.0025
AMA	-0.45407 0.0181	0.57650 0.0527	0.16715 0.2404	0.29655 0.3527	0.59202 0.0426	1.00000 0.0000	0.68699 0.0136	0.29946 0.3443	0.18669 0.18636	0.18636 0.18636	-0.14775 0.6468	-0.20079 0.5715	-0.15210 0.6370	-0.05474 0.8557	-0.40194 0.1926
AK	-0.64194 0.0244	0.73175 0.0068	0.32869 0.2969	0.28863 0.3629	0.73624 0.0061	0.68699 0.0136	1.00000 0.0000	0.09128 0.7731	0.43215 0.1606	0.17598 0.2284	-0.28653 0.3666	-0.38815 0.3298	-0.38603 0.2152	0.14447 0.6533	0.05151 0.4737
ACEC	0.20269 0.5275	-0.03281 0.9193	-0.21810 0.4561	-0.03232 0.9206	0.08886 0.8027	0.29946 0.3443	0.09128 0.7731	1.00000 0.0000	-0.36097 0.2990	-0.26536 0.4045	0.71450 0.0083	0.69371 0.0123	0.70344 0.0107	-0.24890 0.4351	-0.25284 0.0774
ASAIM	-0.36696 0.2406	0.40981 0.1858	0.19765 0.5465	0.87064 0.0002	0.50214 0.0962	0.18669 0.5413	0.43215 0.1606	-0.36097 0.2990	1.00000 0.0000	0.44751 0.0005	-0.70645 0.0102	-0.78015 0.0112	-0.66042 0.0194	0.01742 0.4572	0.11777 0.6694
APH	-0.04467 0.8904	0.42685 0.1664	-0.23188 0.4683	0.66226 0.0198	0.40024 0.1473	0.18636 0.5620	0.17598 0.2284	-0.26536 0.4045	0.44751 0.0005	1.00000 0.0000	-0.44315 0.1491	-0.43720 0.1552	-0.37711 0.2269	-0.09814 0.7615	0.00514 0.9869
AC	0.65444 0.0209	-0.35572 0.2565	-0.59956 0.0393	-0.44096 0.1511	-0.36012 0.2499	-0.38082 0.6468	-0.28653 0.3666	0.71450 0.0083	-0.70645 0.0102	-0.44315 0.1491	1.00000 0.0000	0.99799 0.0001	0.94135 0.0001	-0.05621 0.8622	-0.28388 0.3726
AMU	0.67397 0.0162	-0.38669 0.2143	-0.60366 0.0377	-0.43795 0.1545	-0.38082 0.2220	-0.20079 0.5115	-0.38815 0.3298	0.69371 0.0123	-0.78015 0.0112	-0.43720 0.1552	0.99799 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.93888 0.0001	-0.06419 0.8429	-0.25562 0.4226
AN	0.78446 0.0025	-0.50310 0.0955	-0.66669 0.0179	-0.38340 0.2186	-0.46692 0.1259	-0.15210 0.6370	-0.38603 0.2152	0.70344 0.0107	-0.66042 0.0194	-0.37711 0.2269	0.94135 0.0001	0.93888 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.21858 0.4552	-0.56226 0.0686
AP	-0.19485 0.5465	0.44881 0.1075	-0.04195 0.4801	0.04526 0.9861	0.11561 0.7209	-0.05474 0.8657	0.14447 0.6533	-0.24890 0.4351	0.01742 0.4572	-0.09814 0.7615	-0.05621 0.8622	-0.06414 0.8429	-0.21858 0.4552	1.00000 0.0000	0.51240 0.0748
ALANI	-0.19485 0.2950	0.28465 0.3639	0.31126 0.3215	-0.04526 0.8889	0.12769 0.0025	-0.40194 0.1926	0.05151 0.8737	-0.25284 0.0774	0.13777 0.6694	0.00514 0.9869	-0.28388 0.3726	-0.25562 0.4226	-0.54224 0.0686	0.51240 0.0748	1.00000 0.0000

APPENDIX 4 1/

Population statistics and correlation matrices for  
climatic and soil factors used in the regression  
analysis of Pinus caribaea

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1/ For the description of the variables and unit of measurement  
see appendix 7.

## SPECIES=PIRUS

VARIABLE	N	MEAN	STD DEV	SUM	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
ALT	10	455.8000000	118.27784415	11974.0000000	90.0000000	1140.0000000
IMAX	10	26.2500000	3.51043418	808.5000000	20.0000000	32.0000000
IMIN	10	18.4100000	2.08664412	564.3000000	13.0000000	22.6000000
IMED	10	22.15333333	2.33160198	670.0000000	19.1000000	27.2000000
MIUM	10	45.8300000	2.86803429	2574.9000000	77.0000000	88.5000000
LGHT	10	1749.0000000	356.02788861	52472.0000000	1215.0000000	2440.0000000
WGT	10	166.49333333	60.01438870	10997.0000000	291.4000000	485.4000000
PM.CIP	10	3558.1000000	842.48413812	107045.0000000	1708.0000000	4535.0000000
CVAP	10	628.36666667	340.73576407	18851.0000000	369.0000000	1839.0000000
PLUVIOSO	10	9.93333333	1.85571500	298.0000000	7.0000000	12.0000000
INTEHM	10	1.06666667	0.94443318	32.0000000	0	3.0000000
ECUSECUS	10	1.03333333	1.21721370	31.0000000	0	4.0000000
ARE	10	6.73666667	2.88981794	202.1000000	3.0000000	18.0000000
ASAND	26	44.15865385	22.31825368	1140.1250000	10.7500000	81.7500000
ASILI	26	24.66346154	8.46705151	641.2500000	11.0000000	50.0000000
ALLAY	26	31.74038462	20.60244042	825.2500000	3.0000000	66.0000000
ALA	26	4.21932692	3.78791246	109.7025000	0.2962500	13.4750000
APG	26	1.14110577	1.21820987	34.86875000	0.1250000	4.2100000
AHA	26	0.28822115	0.11655802	7.49175000	0.1600000	0.5975000
AK	26	0.40764421	0.31687307	10.59875000	0.0612500	1.1487500
ALLC	26	36.90653846	10.33767075	961.6500000	18.1750000	55.2625000
ASATH	26	17.72548077	12.40132326	460.8625000	2.5750000	44.0375000
APH	26	5.72483846	0.49997404	148.8250000	4.8375000	6.8500000
AC	26	4.05576923	1.50622454	105.4500000	1.3750000	7.0500000
AMU	26	6.95144231	2.61060432	180.7375000	2.3875000	12.1625000
AM	26	0.16826923	0.16808594	9.57500000	0.1250000	0.7500000
AP	26	5.02644231	4.86284809	130.6875000	1.5500000	22.7500000
ALANI	26	11.69182692	3.17639131	103.9875000	7.5750000	18.7000000



CORRELATION COEFFICIENTS / PHASE IN UNITS / n = 26

	ASAM	ASLI	ALAY	ACA	AMG	AMA	AK	ACLC	ASAM	APH	AC	AMU	AN	AP	ACANI
ASAM	1.00000 0.00000	-0.34457 0.0447	-0.92452 0.0001	-0.33144 0.0460	-0.37550 0.0507	-0.02162 0.9000	-0.22000 0.2607	0.31920 0.1119	-0.46000 0.0157	0.00670 0.9741	0.67524 0.0001	0.67756 0.0001	0.71263 0.0001	-0.26525 0.1401	-0.14693 0.4734
ASLI	-0.34457 0.0447	1.00000 0.0000	-0.01604 0.3340	0.74541 0.0001	0.71664 0.0001	0.29909 0.1366	0.75146 0.0001	0.18961 0.1536	0.71992 0.0001	0.66590 0.0002	-0.35909 0.0716	-0.38476 0.0523	-0.25224 0.2138	0.63172 0.0005	-0.10854 0.1251
ALAY	-0.92452 0.0001	-0.01604 0.3340	1.00000 0.0000	0.02948 0.0463	0.09634 0.0463	-0.10392 0.6197	-0.06103 0.6134	-0.40730 0.7597	0.18278 0.0189	-0.20725 0.3715	-0.57480 0.1540	-0.56696 0.0021	-0.65450 0.0025	0.01041 0.0003	0.27229 0.1784
ACA	-0.33144 0.0460	0.74541 0.0001	0.02948 0.0463	1.00000 0.0000	0.90432 0.0001	0.35691 0.0735	0.76407 0.0001	0.42117 0.0117	0.83142 0.0001	0.64508 0.0004	-0.18955 0.3537	-0.20893 0.3057	-0.04625 0.0225	0.16127 0.0598	-0.14551 0.0518
AMG	-0.37550 0.0507	0.71664 0.0001	0.09634 0.0463	0.90432 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.53047 0.0000	0.80404 0.0001	0.41620 0.0144	0.80258 0.0001	0.55081 0.0032	-0.27287 0.1774	-0.29448 0.1442	-0.11263 0.5838	0.16937 0.0613	-0.41196 0.0155
AMA	-0.02162 0.9000	0.29909 0.1366	-0.10392 0.6197	0.35691 0.0735	0.53047 0.0000	1.00000 0.0000	0.47711 0.0137	0.27690 0.1707	0.31503 0.1170	0.13266 0.5183	-0.15108 0.4613	-0.17296 0.3981	0.04505 0.0270	0.10228 0.1490	-0.43517 0.0262
AK	-0.22000 0.2607	0.75146 0.0001	-0.06103 0.7597	0.76407 0.0001	0.80404 0.0001	0.47711 0.0137	1.00000 0.0000	0.39790 0.0441	0.66133 0.0002	0.62983 0.0006	-0.18900 0.3294	-0.21634 0.2885	-0.13293 0.5174	0.11987 0.0894	-0.26031 0.1487
ACLC	0.31920 0.1119	0.18961 0.1536	-0.40730 0.0189	0.42117 0.0117	0.41620 0.0144	0.27690 0.1707	0.39790 0.0441	1.00000 0.0000	0.01593 0.9305	0.15246 0.4572	0.60107 0.0011	0.58762 0.0016	0.74238 0.0001	0.02678 0.9063	-0.48643 0.0117
ASAM	-0.46000 0.0157	0.71992 0.0001	0.18278 0.1715	0.83142 0.0001	0.80258 0.0001	0.31503 0.1170	0.66333 0.0002	0.01593 0.9305	1.00000 0.0000	0.65700 0.0003	-0.50203 0.0090	-0.51568 0.0070	-0.35355 0.0764	0.19704 0.0456	-0.31146 0.1149
APH	0.00670 0.9741	0.66590 0.0002	-0.20725 0.1540	0.64508 0.0004	0.55081 0.0032	0.13266 0.5183	0.62983 0.0006	0.15246 0.4572	0.65700 0.0003	1.00000 0.0000	-0.28029 0.1655	-0.28109 0.1611	-0.02618 0.8990	0.19999 0.1273	-0.47387 0.0140
AC	0.67524 0.0001	-0.35909 0.0716	-0.57480 0.0021	-0.18955 0.3537	-0.27287 0.1774	-0.15108 0.4613	-0.19900 0.3294	0.60107 0.0011	-0.50203 0.0090	-0.28029 0.1655	1.00000 0.0000	0.99861 0.0001	0.81155 0.0001	-0.11041 0.5412	0.10028 0.6257
AMU	0.67756 0.0001	-0.38476 0.0523	-0.56696 0.0025	-0.20893 0.1057	-0.29448 0.1442	-0.17296 0.3981	-0.21634 0.2885	0.58762 0.0016	-0.51568 0.0070	-0.28109 0.1611	0.99861 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.81077 0.0001	-0.11895 0.4994	0.10242 0.5931
AN	0.71263 0.0001	-0.25224 0.2138	-0.65450 0.0003	-0.04625 0.0225	-0.11263 0.5838	0.04505 0.0270	-0.13293 0.5174	0.74238 0.0001	-0.35355 0.0764	-0.02618 0.8990	0.81155 0.0001	0.81077 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.20724 0.10000	-0.45997 0.0000
AP	-0.26525 0.1401	0.63172 0.0005	0.01041 0.0003	0.16127 0.0698	0.16937 0.0613	0.10228 0.0150	0.31987 0.0894	0.02678 0.9063	0.39704 0.0446	0.19999 0.1273	-0.11041 0.5412	-0.11895 0.4994	-0.20724 0.10000	1.00000 0.0000	-0.00692 0.0000
ACANI	-0.14693 0.4734	-0.10854 0.1251	0.27229 0.1784	-0.14551 0.0518	-0.41196 0.0155	-0.43517 0.0262	-0.26031 0.1487	-0.48643 0.0117	-0.31146 0.1149	-0.47387 0.0140	0.10028 0.6257	0.10000 0.5913	-0.45997 0.0181	-0.00692 0.0000	1.00000 0.0000

CORRELATION COEFFICIENTS / PRIN > [N] UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION / N = 30

	ALT	TMX	TMIN	TMAX	HIRM	LIGHT	RAI	PHILIP	EVAP	PLUVIOSO	INTENM	FCOSECOS	AGF
ALT	1.00000 0.00000	-0.40256 0.0274	-0.75616 0.0001	-0.59079 0.0006	-0.28705 0.1240	0.10610 0.1248	0.10051 0.1066	-0.44045 0.0129	0.18475 0.7174	-0.67671 0.0001	0.71369 0.0001	0.47220 0.0004	0.23130 0.2188
TMX	-0.40256 0.0274	1.00000 0.0000	0.75031 0.0001	0.75386 0.0001	-0.31101 0.0714	0.67291 0.0001	0.12286 0.5178	0.04128 0.6694	0.35172 0.0566	0.07471 0.6967	-0.31953 0.0062	0.08466 0.6565	-0.24070 0.2001
TMIN	-0.75616 0.0001	0.75031 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.88911 0.0001	0.03767 0.0413	0.20298 0.2820	-0.29452 0.1928	0.36345 0.0484	0.11888 0.5118	0.44675 0.0133	-0.61511 0.0003	-0.22844 0.2247	-0.12591 0.5073
TMAX	-0.59079 0.0006	0.75386 0.0001	0.88911 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.19775 0.50570	0.50570 0.2949	0.02126 0.9029	0.15910 0.4010	0.29904 0.1094	0.20009 0.2491	-0.46519 0.0096	0.01636 0.9316	-0.24704 0.1881
HIRM	-0.28705 0.1240	-0.31101 0.0714	0.03767 0.6431	-0.19775 0.2949	1.00000 0.0000	-0.77816 0.0001	-0.76455 0.0001	0.60281 0.0004	-0.54790 0.0007	0.52583 0.0024	-0.24546 0.1092	-0.58406 0.0007	0.05122 0.7861
LIGHT	0.10610 0.1248	0.67291 0.0001	0.20298 0.2820	0.50570 0.0944	-0.77816 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.67811 0.0001	-0.44445 0.0097	0.69407 0.0001	-0.47280 0.0043	0.10849 0.5682	0.59415 0.0005	-0.12623 0.5063
RAI	0.30051 0.1066	0.12286 0.5178	-0.29452 0.1928	0.02126 0.9029	-0.76455 0.0001	0.67811 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.74229 0.0001	0.64360 0.0001	-0.64001 0.0001	0.31381 0.0013	0.72449 0.0001	-0.11404 0.5485
PHILIP	-0.44045 0.0129	0.04128 0.6694	0.36345 0.0484	0.15910 0.4010	0.60281 0.0004	-0.44445 0.0097	-0.74229 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.64988 0.0001	0.87863 0.0001	-0.61054 0.0002	-0.84768 0.0001	-0.04715 0.8046
EVAP	0.18475 0.7174	0.35172 0.0566	0.11888 0.5118	0.29904 0.1084	-0.54790 0.0007	0.69407 0.0001	0.64360 0.0001	-0.64444 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.64434 0.0001	0.20973 0.7660	0.81168 0.0001	-0.11435 0.5474
PLUVIOSO	-0.67671 0.0001	0.07471 0.6967	0.44675 0.0111	0.20009 0.2491	0.52583 0.0028	-0.47280 0.0081	-0.64001 0.0001	0.07861 0.0001	-0.64434 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.80406 0.0001	-0.84441 0.0001	-0.07478 0.6945
INTENM	0.71369 0.0001	-0.31953 0.0062	-0.61511 0.0003	-0.46519 0.0096	-0.24546 0.1092	0.10849 0.5682	0.11101 0.0913	-0.51054 0.0002	0.20971 0.2660	-0.80406 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.44794 0.0131	0.13051 0.4918
FCOSECOS	0.47220 0.0004	0.08466 0.6565	-0.22844 0.2247	0.01636 0.9316	-0.58406 0.0007	0.59415 0.0005	0.72449 0.0001	-0.84768 0.0001	0.81168 0.0001	-0.84441 0.0001	0.44794 0.0131	1.00000 0.0000	-0.02389 0.9003
AGF	0.23130 0.2188	-0.24070 0.2001	-0.12591 0.5073	-0.24704 0.1881	0.05122 0.7861	-0.12623 0.5063	-0.11404 0.5485	-0.04715 0.8046	-0.11435 0.5474	-0.07478 0.6945	0.13051 0.4918	-0.02189 0.9003	1.00000 0.0000

APPENDIX 5 1/

Population statistics and correlation matrices for  
climatic and soil factors used in the regression  
analysis of Tectona grandis

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1/ For the description of the variables and unit of measurement  
see appendix 7.

SPECIFICATIONS

VARIABLE	N	MEAN	STD DEV	SUM	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
ALT	28	142.85714286	171.08124868	5600.00000000	20.00000000	550.00000000
INAX	28	10.06428571	3.05822683	841.80000000	20.80000000	32.80000000
ININ	28	20.75714286	1.82501721	581.20000000	17.00000000	22.40000000
INED	28	24.71785714	2.12429571	692.10000000	19.10000000	27.20000000
INRM	28	43.81928571	4.43131443	2347.50000000	76.50000000	88.50000000
LIGHI	28	1978.51571429	412.80239037	55399.00000000	1215.00000000	2557.00000000
WAD	28	366.76428571	85.22806814	10269.40000000	274.50000000	485.40000000
PRECIP	28	3346.14285714	1042.68099490	93692.00000000	1497.00000000	4642.00000000
EVAP	28	414.67857143	553.46911624	25611.00000000	369.00000000	2008.00000000
FLUVIOSO	28	8.82142857	2.27797134	247.00000000	6.00000000	12.00000000
INLEHM	28	1.71428571	1.46204177	48.00000000	0	5.00000000
ELUSECUS	28	1.46428571	1.75292650	41.00000000	0	5.00000000
AIR	28	5.88214286	6.59949794	164.70000000	0.70000000	30.00000000
ASAMB	21	19.47619048	19.45313155	839.50000000	8.25000000	77.75000000
ASILT	21	27.56547619	4.31410381	578.87500000	13.75000000	50.00000000
ATLAY	21	32.46428571	18.29417155	681.75000000	5.00000000	66.00000000
ACA	21	12.01321429	13.77357564	252.27750000	0.48125000	51.37500000
AM6	21	2.45482143	2.62213416	55.75125000	0.15375000	9.68875000
ANA	21	0.32285714	0.24819289	6.70000000	0.21250000	1.15750000
AN	21	0.48708333	0.34863715	10.22875000	0.08625000	1.18500000
ADXC	21	15.71619052	12.86576301	750.46250000	17.56250000	67.40000000
ASATH	21	38.70152381	28.95144073	812.90000000	4.76250000	94.26250000
APM	21	6.01333333	0.86587148	126.70000000	4.83750000	7.86250000
AC	21	3.19664286	1.26431732	67.08750000	1.46250000	6.72500000
AMP	21	5.40130952	2.21719454	114.68750000	2.52500000	11.61250000
AD	21	0.27976190	0.15398235	5.87500000	0.11250000	0.67500000
AP	21	8.69702381	12.55986471	181.58750000	1.01250000	59.81250000
ACAM	21	11.86011905	2.77799843	249.06250000	7.13750000	16.72500000

CORRELATION COEFFICIENTS / PRIN > INT INTRM HOIMIN=0 / N = 28

	ALT	IMAX	IMIN	IMEH	MINM	LIGHT	HAH	PHCLIP	FVAP	PLUVIOSO	INTERM	ECOSECUS	AGF
ALT	1.00000 0.0000	-0.55621 0.0021	-0.87643 0.0001	-0.72506 0.0001	0.46367 0.0124	-0.50532 0.0061	-0.11303 0.5664	0.23900 0.2190	-0.37216 0.0512	0.10856 0.5824	0.19647 0.3163	-0.30494 0.1146	-0.14382 0.4653
IMAX	-0.55621 0.0021	1.00000 0.0000	0.75349 0.0001	0.94454 0.0001	-0.48549 0.0048	0.73015 0.0001	0.24647 0.2061	-0.16535 0.4804	0.47420 0.0108	-0.15454 0.4322	-0.02619 0.8940	0.22291 0.2542	0.21120 0.2807
IMIN	-0.87643 0.0001	0.75349 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.90796 0.0001	-0.37697 0.0410	0.49887 0.0069	0.07748 0.6452	-0.18964 0.3336	0.33794 0.0787	-0.02507 0.8492	-0.24351 0.2118	0.21568 0.2273	0.22085 0.2587
IMEH	-0.72506 0.0001	0.94454 0.0001	0.90796 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.50554 0.0001	0.67737 0.0001	0.17766 0.3658	-0.25470 0.1904	0.51708 0.0048	-0.15239 0.4388	-0.18066 0.5075	0.30702 0.1120	0.21507 0.2717
MINM	0.46367 0.0124	-0.48549 0.0048	-0.37697 0.0410	-0.50554 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.87252 0.0001	-0.48335 0.0001	0.58818 0.0010	-0.91365 0.0001	0.60758 0.0006	0.03038 0.8780	-0.81491 0.0001	-0.13365 0.4978
LIGHT	-0.50532 0.0061	0.73015 0.0001	0.49887 0.0069	0.67737 0.0001	-0.87252 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.52633 0.0041	-0.44246 0.0091	0.82545 0.0001	-0.57813 0.0013	0.14527 0.4608	0.63012 0.0003	0.13560 0.4914
HAH	-0.11303 0.5664	0.24647 0.2061	0.07748 0.6452	0.17766 0.3658	-0.83035 0.0003	0.52633 0.0040	1.00000 0.0000	-0.46439 0.0128	0.54653 0.0026	-0.51527 0.0050	0.01643 0.9339	0.65589 0.0001	0.43308 0.0200
PHCLIP	0.23900 0.2190	-0.16535 0.4804	-0.14964 0.3336	-0.25470 0.1904	0.58818 0.0010	-0.44246 0.0093	-0.46439 0.0128	1.00000 0.0000	-0.74563 0.0001	0.89428 0.0001	-0.40764 0.0313	-0.82215 0.0001	-0.26462 0.1736
FVAP	-0.37216 0.0512	0.47420 0.0108	0.33794 0.0787	0.51708 0.0048	-0.91365 0.0001	0.82545 0.0001	0.54653 0.0026	-0.74563 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.71374 0.0001	0.07826 0.6922	0.86225 0.0001	0.13642 0.4872
PLUVIOSO	0.10856 0.5824	-0.15454 0.4322	-0.02507 0.8492	-0.15239 0.4388	0.60758 0.0006	-0.57813 0.0013	-0.51527 0.0050	0.89428 0.0001	-0.71374 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.63864 0.0001	-0.76686 0.0001	-0.18795 0.3382
INTERM	0.19647 0.3163	-0.02619 0.8940	-0.24351 0.2118	-0.18066 0.5075	0.03038 0.8780	0.14527 0.4608	0.01643 0.9339	-0.40764 0.0313	0.07826 0.6922	-0.63864 0.0003	1.00000 0.0000	-0.00413 0.9834	-0.06158 0.7556
ECOSECUS	-0.30494 0.1146	0.22291 0.2542	0.21568 0.2273	0.30702 0.1120	-0.81491 0.0001	0.63012 0.0003	0.65589 0.0001	-0.82215 0.0001	0.86225 0.0001	-0.76686 0.0001	-0.00413 0.9834	1.00000 0.0000	0.29561 0.1267
AGF	-0.14382 0.4653	0.21120 0.2807	0.22085 0.2587	0.21507 0.2717	-0.13365 0.4978	0.13560 0.4914	0.43308 0.0200	-0.26462 0.1736	0.13642 0.4872	-0.18795 0.3382	-0.06158 0.7556	0.29561 0.1267	1.00000 0.0000

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ASAM1	1.0000 0.0000	-0.76010 0.1048	-0.44802 0.0001	-0.16113 0.4661	-0.17174 0.0774	-0.04978 0.8101	-0.15948 0.4499	0.08081 0.7277	-0.29046 0.2008	0.01051 0.9639	0.53906 0.0117	0.55030 0.0097	0.62787 0.0023	-0.07522 0.7459	-0.25725 0.2603
ASIL1	-0.76010 0.1048	1.00000 0.0000	-0.12617 0.5458	0.16043 0.1044	0.57454 0.0064	0.23122 0.1112	0.67275 0.0008	0.70743 0.3668	0.51972 0.0157	0.59931 0.0041	-0.36928 0.0995	-0.39870 0.0734	-0.73202 0.1414	0.46344 0.0143	-0.07410 0.7496
ALAY	-0.44802 0.0001	-0.12617 0.5458	1.00000 0.0000	-0.08177 0.9871	0.10124 0.6361	-0.06134 0.7458	-0.17278 0.4552	-0.19072 0.4076	0.04534 0.4453	-0.31593 0.1630	-0.38521 0.0846	-0.38218 0.0473	-0.49864 0.0214	-0.15579 0.5001	0.11069 0.1704
ACA	-0.16113 0.4663	0.16043 0.1044	-0.08177 0.9871	1.00000 0.0000	0.74760 0.0001	0.67774 0.0007	0.56408 0.0077	0.59116 0.0057	0.91004 0.0001	0.75459 0.0001	-0.31275 0.1675	-0.31043 0.1708	-0.20796 0.3657	0.07754 0.7341	-0.17219 0.0954
AM1	-0.17174 0.0774	0.57454 0.0064	0.10124 0.6361	0.74760 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.67774 0.0005	0.63184 0.0071	0.61017 0.0072	0.76117 0.0001	0.61385 0.0071	-0.35159 0.1159	-0.35677 0.1124	-0.25407 0.2664	0.07742 0.7171	-0.40511 0.0541
ANA	-0.04978 0.8101	0.23122 0.1112	-0.06134 0.7458	0.67774 0.0007	0.68789 0.0000	1.00000 0.0000	0.58054 0.0054	0.57544 0.0061	0.51226 0.0176	0.16182 0.1070	-0.11558 0.6179	-0.13042 0.5731	-0.09586 0.6794	0.11044 0.5719	-0.47521 0.0229
AK	-0.15948 0.4499	0.67275 0.0008	-0.17278 0.4552	0.56408 0.0077	0.63184 0.0021	0.58054 0.0054	1.00000 0.0000	0.16122 0.1077	0.65759 0.0012	0.64017 0.0018	-0.29190 0.1992	-0.30744 0.1752	-0.27788 0.2226	0.24177 0.2869	-0.17641 0.4453
ALC1	0.08081 0.7277	0.20748 0.3668	-0.19072 0.4076	0.59116 0.0057	0.63017 0.0022	0.57544 0.0061	0.36122 0.1077	1.00000 0.0000	0.18545 0.0843	0.32163 0.1551	0.34000 0.1716	0.32723 0.1476	0.50194 0.0204	-0.01847 0.4150	-0.69178 0.0005
ASAM	-0.29046 0.2008	0.51972 0.0157	0.04534 0.4453	0.91004 0.0001	0.76317 0.0001	0.51226 0.0176	0.65759 0.0012	0.18555 0.0843	1.00000 0.0000	0.84897 0.0001	-0.51437 0.0170	-0.50922 0.0184	-0.40461 0.0689	0.05546 0.8113	-0.21967 0.2953
APH	0.01051 0.9639	0.59931 0.0041	-0.31593 0.1630	0.75459 0.0001	0.61385 0.0021	0.16182 0.1070	0.64017 0.0018	0.17163 0.1551	0.84897 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.14851 0.1215	-0.34623 0.1242	-0.22838 0.3195	-0.01263 0.9567	-0.21719 0.1002
AC	0.53906 0.0117	-0.36928 0.0995	-0.38521 0.0846	-0.31275 0.1675	-0.35159 0.1159	-0.11558 0.6179	-0.29190 0.1992	0.34000 0.1316	-0.51437 0.0170	-0.34853 0.1215	1.00000 0.0000	0.99765 0.0001	0.89249 0.0001	0.01215 0.9583	-0.05651 0.8878
AMU	0.55030 0.0097	-0.39870 0.0734	-0.38218 0.0473	-0.31043 0.1708	-0.35677 0.1124	-0.13042 0.5731	-0.10744 0.1752	0.32723 0.1476	-0.50922 0.0184	-0.34623 0.1242	0.99765 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	0.89138 0.0001	-0.00041 0.9985	-0.04049 0.8868
AN	0.62787 0.0023	-0.13202 0.1414	-0.49864 0.0214	-0.20796 0.3657	-0.25407 0.2664	-0.09586 0.6794	-0.27788 0.2226	0.50194 0.0204	-0.40461 0.0689	-0.22838 0.3194	0.89249 0.0001	0.89138 0.0001	1.00000 0.0000	-0.15177 0.5114	-0.42244 0.2263
AP	-0.07522 0.7459	0.46344 0.0143	-0.15579 0.5001	0.07754 0.7103	0.07742 0.7171	0.11044 0.5719	0.24177 0.2869	-0.01847 0.4150	0.05546 0.8113	-0.01263 0.9567	0.01215 0.9583	-0.00043 0.9985	-0.15177 0.5114	1.00000 0.0000	0.27244 0.2263
ALANI	-0.25725 0.2603	-0.07410 0.7496	0.11069 0.1704	-0.17219 0.0954	-0.40511 0.0541	-0.47521 0.0229	-0.17641 0.4443	-0.09178 0.0805	-0.21967 0.2953	-0.21719 0.1002	-0.05651 0.8078	-0.04044 0.8618	-0.42944 0.0520	0.27578 0.2253	1.00000 0.0000

APPENDIX 6 1/

Multiple regression analysis for Alnus acuminata,  
Cupressus lusitanica, Gmelina arborea, Pinus  
caribaea, and Tectona grandis using stepwise  
maximum R square improvement (MAXR)

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1/ For the description of the variables and unit of measurement  
see appendix 7.

Appendix 6a. Multiple Regression Analysis for Alnus acuminata using stepwise maximum R square improvement (MAXR).

The analysis was done for the species in the whole country and individual zones. Two model were used, one with the full set of variables (P=28), and one with a reduced set of variables (P=12),

Zone	No. of obs.	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent variable(s) selected <sup>1/</sup>	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
The Country	13	28	volume growth	age pluvioso rhum asatb	$\hat{Y}=2.27-0.012(\text{age})+0.035(\text{pluvioso})-0.029(\text{rhum})+0.0048(\text{asatb})$	0.85	C.1224
The Country	13	12	volume growth	age alt precip acec	$\hat{Y}=-1.25-0.009(\text{age})+0.0004(\text{alt})+0.00033(\text{precip})-0.0082(\text{acec})$	0.84	0.1336
7	5	28	volume growth	ana age	$\hat{Y}=0.014-0.012(\text{age})+1.26(\text{ana})$	0.50	0.5046
7	5	12	volume growth	age ecosecos	$\hat{Y}=0.29-0.012(\text{age})+0.033(\text{ecosecos})$	0.50	0.5046

- <sup>1/</sup> age = Plantation age in years.  
 pluvioso = Number of month of the year with precipitation greater than 100 millimeters.  
 rhum = Mean annual relative humidity. Expressed as percentage.  
 alt = Elevation above mean sea level in meters.  
 precip = Mean annual precipitation in millimeters.

- ecosecos = Number of month of the year with precipitation less than 30 millimeters.  
 acec = Mean soil profile cations exchange capacity. Expressed as milliequivalent per 100 grams of soil.  
 asatb = Mean soil profile base saturation. Expressed as a percentage.  
 ana = Mean soil profile sodium content. Expressed as milliequivalent per 100 grams of soil.  
<sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.



Appendix 6b. Multiple Regression Analysis for Cupressus lusitanica using stepwise maximum R square improvement (MAXR).

The analysis was done for the species in the whole country and individual zones. Two model were used, one with the full set of variables (P=28), and one with a reduced set of variables (P=12).

Zone	No. of obs.	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent variable(s) selected	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
The Country	13	28	volume growth	age alt asilt asatb	$\hat{Y} = -0.58 + 0.013(\text{age}) - 0.000064(\text{alt}) + 0.021(\text{asilt}) + 0.0018(\text{asatb})$	0.99	0.0001
The Country	13	12	volume growth	age precip ecosacos acec aph amo	$\hat{Y} = 1.95 + 0.005(\text{age}) - 0.00031(\text{precip}) + 0.13(\text{ecosacos}) + 0.59(\text{acec}) - 0.30(\text{aph}) + 0.009(\text{amo})$	0.99	0.0001
5	9	28	volume growth	age alt asilt acec	$\hat{Y} = -0.40 + 0.0093(\text{age}) - 0.0001(\text{alt}) + 0.024(\text{asilt}) - 0.0027(\text{acec})$	0.99	0.0001
5	9	12	volume growth	age aclay acec aph	$\hat{Y} = -0.82 + 0.022(\text{age}) - 0.0057(\text{aclay}) + 0.004(\text{acec}) + 0.13(\text{aph})$	0.98	0.0008
7	4	28	volume growth	an	$\hat{Y} = -4.57 + 22.15(\text{an})$	0.99	0.0023
7	4	12	volume growth	an	$\hat{Y} = -4.57 + 22.15(\text{an})$	0.99	0.0023

- 1/ age = Plantation age in years.  
 alt = Elevation above mean sea level in meters.  
 precip = Mean annual precipitation in millimeters.  
 ecosacos = Number of months of the year with precipitation less than 30 millimeters.  
 aclay = Mean soil profile clay content in percentage by volume.  
 asilt = Mean soil profile silt content in percentage by volume.

- an = Mean soil profile nitrogen content in percentage.  
 asatb = Mean soil profile base saturation. Expressed as percentage.  
 acec = Mean soil profile cations exchange capacity.  
 aph = Mean profile soil pH.  
 amo = Mean soil profile organic matter content as percentage.  
<sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

Appendix 6c. Multiple Regression Analysis for Gmelina arborea using stepwise maximum R square improvement (MAXR).

The analysis was done for the species in the whole country and individual zones. Two model were used, one with the full set of variables (P=28), and one with a reduced set of variables (P=12).

Zone	No. of oba	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent <sup>1/</sup> variable(s) selected	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
The Country	12	28	volume growth	ana ak ap acani	$\hat{Y}=1.46-2.005(ana)+0.18(ak)+0.013(ap)-0.06(acani)$	0.98	0.0001
The Country	12	12	volume growth	age acec an ap amo	$\hat{Y}=0.78-0.029(age)-0.011(acec)+1.6(an)+0.012(ap)-0.065(amo)$	0.84	0.0216
1	5	28	volume growth	an ac	$\hat{Y}=0.44+2.49(an)-0.27(ac)$	0.95	0.0495
1	5	12	volume growth	an alt	$\hat{Y}=0.11-1.15(an)+0.0046(alt)$	0.88	0.1195
3	3	28	volume growth	acec	$\hat{Y}=3.05-0.074(acec)$	0.99	0.0156
3	3	12	volume growth	acec	$\hat{Y}=3.05-0.074(acec)$	0.99	0.0156
4	4	28	volume growth	amo ap	$\hat{Y}=-0.05+0.0045(amo)+0.091(ap)$	0.99	0.0044
4	4	12	volume growth	amo ap	$\hat{Y}=-0.05+0.0045(amo)+0.091(ap)$	0.99	0.0044

- <sup>1/</sup>
- age = Plantation age in years.
  - alt = Elevation above mean sea level in meters.
  - acec = Mean soil profile cations exchange capacity
  - an = Mean soil profile nitrogen content. Expressed as a percentage.
  - amo = Mean soil profile organic matter content. Expressed as a percentage.
  - ac = Mean soil profile carbon content. Expressed as a percentage.

- ana = Mean soil profile sodium content. Expressed as milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.
  - ak = Mean soil profile potassium content. Expressed as milliequivalent per 100 grams of soil.
  - ap = Mean soil profile phosphorus content. Expressed as available phosphorus in micrograms per millimeter.
  - acani = Mean soil profile carbon/nitrogen ratio
- <sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

Appendix 6d. Multiple Regression Analysis for *Pinus caribaea* using stepwise maximum R square improvement (MAXR).

The analysis was done for the species in the whole country and individual zones. Two models were used, one with the full set of variables (P=28), and one with a reduced set of variables (P=12).

Zone	No. of obs	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable ( $\hat{Y}$ )	Independent variable(s) selected	Estimated regression equation	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
The Country	26	28	volume growth	age ecoscos light asatb ak	$\hat{Y} = 0.051 + 0.0091(\text{age}) - 0.082(\text{ecoscos}) + 0.00017(\text{light}) - 0.0092(\text{asatb}) + 0.26(\text{ak})$	0.75	0.0001
The Country	26	12	volume growth	age ecoscos ak asatb	$\hat{Y} = 0.31 + 0.0057(\text{age}) - 0.064(\text{ecoscos}) + 0.33(\text{ak}) - 0.0085(\text{asatb})$	0.67	0.0001
1	14	28	volume growth	age interu rad aph asand amg ana ak	$\hat{Y} = 3.48 + 0.011(\text{age}) + 0.75(\text{interu}) - 0.008(\text{rad}) - 0.29(\text{aph}) + 0.006(\text{asand}) + 0.076(\text{amg}) + 0.25(\text{ana}) + 1.03(\text{ak})$	0.99	0.0001
1	14	12	volume growth	age alt precip acloy asatb an ap	$\hat{Y} = 3.9 + 0.019(\text{age}) + 0.0006(\text{alt}) - 0.0007(\text{precip}) - 0.013(\text{acloy}) - 0.023(\text{asatb}) - 0.72(\text{an}) + 0.05(\text{ap})$	0.97	0.0002
3	8	28	volume growth	precip aph acec acanl	$\hat{Y} = 1.09 - 0.0003(\text{precip}) + 0.098(\text{aph}) - 0.0083(\text{acec}) - 0.011(\text{acanl})$	0.99	0.0009
3	8	12	volume growth	precip aph acec asatb	$\hat{Y} = 0.91 - 0.00034(\text{precip}) - 0.01(\text{acec}) + 0.0024(\text{asatb}) + 0.13(\text{aph})$	0.99	0.0011

- 1/ age = Plantation age in years.  
ecoscos = Number of month of the year with precipitation less than 30 millimeters.  
light = Mean annual value for the daily hours of sunshine.  
interu = Number of month of the year with precipitation between 30 and 100 millimeters.  
rad = Mean annual radiation. Expressed as calories per square centimeter per day.  
alt = Elevation above mean sea level in meters.  
precip = Mean annual precipitation in millimeters.  
ap = Mean soil profile phosphorus content. Expressed as available phosphorus in micrograms per milliliter.  
acanl = Mean soil profile carbon/nitrogen ratio.
- asatb = Mean soil profile base saturation. Expressed as a percentage.  
ak = Mean soil profile potassium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.  
aph = Mean profile soil pH.  
asand = Mean soil profile sand content. Expressed as a percentage by volume.  
amg = Mean soil profile magnesium content. Expressed in milliequivalent per 100 grams of soil.  
ana = Mean soil profile sodium content. Expressed in milliequivalent per 100 grams of soil.  
acloy = Mean soil profile clay content. Expressed as a percentage by volume.  
an = Mean soil profile nitrogen content. Expressed as a percentage.  
acec = Mean soil profile cations exchange capacity.
- 2/  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

Appendix 6a. Multiple Regression Analysis for *Tectona grandis* using stepwise maximum R square improvement (MAXR).

The analysis was done for the species in the whole country and individual zones. Two models were used, one with the full set of variables (P=23), and one with a reduced set of variables (P=12).

Zone	No. of obs	Variables in the analysis (p)	Dependent variable (Y)	Independent variable(s) selected	Estimated regression equation <sup>2/</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	Pr(F > $\hat{F}$ )
The Country	21	28	volume growth	age ecosecos light e'vap ac'lay ana ak acani	$\hat{Y} = -0.30 - 0.0084(\text{age}) + 0.14(\text{ecosecos}) + 0.0005(\text{light}) - 0.0008(\text{evap}) - 0.005(\text{ac'lay}) - 0.42(\text{ana}) + 0.36(\text{ak}) + 0.02(\text{acani})$	0.78	0.0048
The Country	21	12	volume growth	age precip aph ap amo	$\hat{Y} = -1.2 + 0.0036(\text{age}) + 0.00007(\text{precip}) + 0.16(\text{aph}) + 0.0052(\text{ap}) + 0.019(\text{amo})$	0.67	0.0030
1	7	28	volume growth	age tmax asand aca ap	$\hat{Y} = 2.63 + 0.13(\text{age}) - 0.19(\text{tmax}) + 0.028(\text{asand}) - 0.11(\text{aca}) + 0.18(\text{ap})$	0.99	0.1115
1	7	12	volume growth	age ak acac aph ap	$\hat{Y} = -11.69 + 0.13(\text{age}) - 10.53(\text{ak}) + 0.063(\text{acac}) + 1.67(\text{aph}) + 0.48(\text{ap})$	0.99	0.1198
3	8	28	volume growth	age tmed asilt aca ana	$\hat{Y} = 7.89 - 0.031(\text{age}) - 0.074(\text{tmed}) + 0.015(\text{asilt}) + 0.037(\text{aca}) - 29.17(\text{ana})$	0.99	0.0001
3	8	12	volume growth	age precip ak acac asatb ap	$\hat{Y} = -0.69 - 0.032(\text{age}) + 0.00021(\text{precip}) + 1.0(\text{ak}) - 0.00062(\text{acac}) - 0.00034(\text{asatb}) + 0.002(\text{ap})$	0.99	0.0058
4	6	28	volume growth	aph asatb an	$\hat{Y} = 4.81 - 0.74(\text{aph}) + 0.0017(\text{asatb}) + 1.25(\text{an})$	0.99	0.0015
4	6	12	volume growth	aph asatb an	$\hat{Y} = 4.81 - 0.74(\text{aph}) + 0.0017(\text{asatb}) + 1.25(\text{an})$	0.99	0.0015

<sup>1/</sup> For the description of the variables and unit of measurement see appendix 7.

<sup>2/</sup>  $\hat{Y}$  = Mean tree growth increment in m<sup>3</sup>/yr.

APPENDIX 7DESCRIPTION OF THE VARIABLES USED IN THE STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND UNIT OF MEASUREMENT.

Volume growth: The formula used for the calculus of tree volume growth was diameter x height x age. The volume growth obtained by the above expression is the mean annual increment in volume growth per tree because it is calculated from mean annual values of diameter and height of the trees. It is not the true volume growth of the trees, but was used for practical purpose of these data analysis.

DBH: Mean annual increment in diameter at breast height, standardized to 1.30 meters above the surface of the soil. Measured with a diametric tape and adjusted to the nearest millimeter.

Height: Reported as a mean annual increment in tree height and measured as the distance from the soil surface to the terminal bud. Measured with a Suunto clinometer and also with a stadia in young plantations.

Basal area: Calculated from the expression

$$G = \sum_{i=1}^n g_i / S$$

Where: G= Basal area per hectare in m<sup>2</sup>.

g= Basal area of individual trees at the breast height in m<sup>2</sup>.

n= Number of trees.

S= Area occupied for the stand in hectares.

Age: Considered since the day of the establishment of the plantation and taken from the archives of the Forestry Department and also directly from the owner of the plantation.

Altitude: Elevation of the plots in meters above mean sea level. Taken from the contour maps and corroborated with an altimeter and adjusted for the closest meter.

Sand, Silt and Clay: Three major physical components of the soil and are expressed as a percentage by volume. The sum of these three parameter is equal to 100%. For those plots for which information was not available in the files of the Forestry Department, the analysis was done in the soil laboratory of CATIE. The methodology used was the suggested by Forsythe (1975).

Temperature: Reported as a maximum, minimum and mean daily air temperature obtained from hourly values. Expressed in degree celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

Relative humidity: Humidity of the air obtained from the mean of hourly observations and is expressed as percentage.

Light and Global Radiation: Light, expressed as number of daily hours of sunshine (full exposure). Radiation indicates the total of calories per square centimeter per day, received in a horizontal surface.

Precipitation: The observation period of rainfall is the twenty four hours, between 07:00 and 07:00 the following day.

The values are reported as total for daily, monthly, and annual precipitation in millimeters.

Evaporation: Measurement of the evaporation with the Pich evaporimeter and also with the tank type A. The values are daily and for the same period and units than that of precipitation (millimeters).

Soil pH: Indicates the degree of acidity and/or alkalinity of the soil. Range from 0-7 for acid soils, 7-14 for alkaline soils. Specifically, pH is defined as either the negative logarithm of  $H^+$ -ion concentration or as the logarithm of the reciprocal of the  $H^+$ -ion concentration.

Pluvioso, Intermedium and Ecossecos: Variables also known as moist, mesic and dry, respectively and indicates the distribution or occurrence of rain. Method suggested by Aubreville (1975), and is formed of three digits. The first indicates the number of months of the year with precipitations greater than 100 millimeters (pluvioso or moist months), the second, the number of months with precipitation between 30-100 millimeters (intermediate or mesic months), and the third for those months with precipitation less than 30 millimeters (ecossecos or dry months).

Chemical and physical properties: For the chemical analysis of the soil was used the methodology described by Diaz Romeu and Hunter as mentioned by Martinez (1981). The values for organic matter, carbon, and nitrogen are expressed as a percentage. Phos-

phorus is reported as available phosphorus in micrograms per milliliter of soil. The exchangeable bases (calcium, magnesium, potassium, and sodium) and cation-exchange capacity are reported as milliequivalent per 100 grams of soil. Base saturation expressed as a percentage.

Asand: Mean soil profile value for sand in the soil. Expressed as percentage of soil by volume.

Asilt: Mean soil profile value for silt in the soil. Expressed as percentage of soil by volume.

Aclay: Mean soil profile value for clay in the soil. Expressed as percentage of soil by volume.

Aph: Mean soil profile value of pH.

Amo: Mean soil profile value of organic matter content. Expressed as percentage.

Ac: Mean soil profile carbon content. Expressed as percentage.

An: Mean soil profile nitrogen content. Expressed as percentage.

Acani: Mean soil profile carbon/nitrogen ratio.

Ap: Mean soil profile phosphorus content. Expressed as available phosphorus.

Aca: Mean soil profile calcium content. Expressed in milli-



equivalents per 100 grams of soil.

Amg: Mean soil profile magnesium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.

Ana: Mean soil profile sodium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.

Ak: Mean soil profile potassium content. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.

Acec: Mean soil profile cation exchange capacity. Expressed in milliequivalents per 100 grams of soil.

Asatb: Mean soil profile base saturation. Expressed as percentage.

APPENDIX 8 <sup>1/</sup>

Species, site characteristics, growth indicators, and other  
environmental factors used in the regression analysis

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<sup>1/</sup> For the description of the variables and unit of measurement  
see appendix 7.

SPECIFIC CHARACTERISTICS AND INDICATORS

NO	CHARACT.	SPECIF.	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1	110011	MELINA	101	1	6.5	20.00	21.30	5.14	0.217940
2	110011	PIMIS	101	1	6.5	22.44	16.92	1.59	0.247015
3	110011	TECA	101	1	6.4	17.14	19.04	3.15	0.209559
4	110011	MELINA	102	1	7.0	25.20	22.41	4.51	0.396921
5	110011	PIMIS	102	1	6.0	26.10	20.66	5.63	0.326101
6	110011	TECA	103	1	4.0	17.25	15.00	0.44	0.110400
7	110011	PIMIS	104	1	4.5	17.77	23.77	11.61	0.404007
8	110011	TECA	104	1	4.6	26.10	31.10	3.92	0.374667
9	110011	MELINA	105	1	4.5	40.00	33.11	10.50	0.545900
10	110011	MELINA	105	2	7.5	33.04	21.46	7.05	0.544977
11	110011	PIMIS	105	1	7.4	24.74	10.13	4.19	0.353714
12	110011	PIMIS	105	2	7.1	23.00	20.50	1.26	0.314765
13	110011	PIMIS	105	3	7.0	22.14	22.45	4.39	0.354129
14	110011	TECA	105	1	8.0	20.25	21.75	1.06	0.352350
15	110011	TECA	105	2	5.8	9.65	10.17	1.06	0.096921
16	110011	MELINA	107	1	7.5	23.04	17.04	3.75	0.319605
17	110011	PIMIS	107	1	7.4	22.02	16.40	4.02	0.268570
18	110011	TECA	107	1	6.9	4.04	8.69	0.04	0.053006
19	110011	PIMIS	108	1	5.7	19.64	16.14	2.90	0.180604
20	110011	TECA	108	1	5.8	24.71	24.11	3.69	0.347164
21	110011	TECA	110	1	0.7	42.05	15.71	0.77	0.041122
22	110011	TECA	112	1	0.8	10.00	10.00	1.60	0.072000
23	110011	CIPMIS	201	1	10.0	7.00	5.00	0.12	0.105000
24	110011	PIMIS	202	1	4.0	14.00	24.00	0.37	0.505920
25	110011	PIMIS	203	1	8.0	27.00	21.50	4.59	0.464400
26	110011	PIMIS	204	1	5.1	29.00	17.90	4.27	0.275123
27	110011	PIMIS	205	1	6.0	15.00	22.30	4.58	0.448700
28	110011	PIMIS	206	1	6.0	14.00	13.00	2.25	0.140400
29	110011	JAIN	208	1	5.0	12.00	11.00	3.13	0.081600
30	110011	PIMIS	211	1	12.0	24.00	20.00	3.02	0.574000
31	110011	JAIN	212	1	8.0	15.00	10.60	1.05	0.223200
32	110011	CIPMIS	212	1	8.0	13.00	9.50	1.99	0.094000
33	110011	PIMIS	101	1	5.0	20.60	11.40	3.49	0.121540
34	110011	TECA	101	1	5.0	5.40	6.20	0.08	0.016740
35	110011	MELINA	102	1	6.4	20.01	17.24	2.02	0.342712
36	110011	PIMIS	102	1	4.0	11.75	7.25	0.72	0.034075
37	110011	TECA	102	1	4.0	18.00	14.00	1.22	0.212600
38	110011	MELINA	103	1	7.4	40.74	29.10	6.95	0.925170
39	110011	TECA	103	1	6.8	25.34	22.04	2.47	0.491474
40	110011	MELINA	104	1	5.0	29.60	32.40	0.05	0.479520
41	110011	TECA	104	1	5.0	24.20	20.40	5.40	0.341640
42	110011	TECA	105	1	3.0	24.73	27.16	4.57	0.257113
43	110011	PIMIS	105	1	3.0	21.00	15.00	2.60	0.080200
44	110011	PIMIS	107	1	4.4	24.00	16.10	2.01	0.182560
45	110011	PIMIS	108	1	10.0	11.00	11.10	0.90	0.223740
46	110011	PIMIS	109	1	6.0	25.90	21.10	6.22	0.314500
47	110011	TECA	110	1	5.0	4.00	4.20	0.26	0.010000
48	110011	PIMIS	112	1	4.0	20.00	20.00	2.36	0.320000
49	110011	PIMIS	113	1	5.0	23.00	10.50	1.12	0.211600
50	110011	TECA	114	1	2.4	16.00	17.10	0.43	0.079344
51	110011	TECA	114	2	4.1	8.00	10.60	0.27	0.036464
52	110011	TECA	115	1	0.9	10.00	5.55	0.12	0.009431
53	110011	JAIN	116	1	0.4	20.00	20.00	0.40	0.024000
54	110011	TECA	401	1	4.0	20.00	26.00	4.62	0.300140
55	110011	TECA	401	1	10.0	10.00	8.00	0.05	0.240000

## SPECIES SPECIFIC CHARACTERISTICS AND GROWTH INDICATORS

DOB	DATA CODE	SPECIES	SH	PH	AGE	DBH	GT	HT	DIAM	VOLUME
56	F10011	TECA	405	1	25.0	1.00	6.70	2.28	0.150750	
57	F10011	MELINA	406	1	12.0	14.00	14.40	17.50	0.311040	
58	F10011	PINUS	407	1	4.0	11.00	11.00	0.77	0.083600	
59	F10011	MELINA	410	1	7.0	17.71	17.00	4.52	0.275543	
60	F10011	TECA	410	1	2.0	21.50	7.59	0.91	0.032750	
61	F10011	MELINA	411	1	6.0	30.00	23.31	5.06	0.419940	
62	F10011	TECA	412	1	2.0	38.00	17.00	0.77	0.281200	
63	F10011	MELINA	413	1	2.5	31.00	24.00	4.60	0.170560	
64	F10011	TECA	414	1	7.0	19.00	16.40	2.52	0.218120	
65	F10011	MELINA	416	1	6.8	29.55	28.82	0.05	0.579109	
66	F10011	TECA	417	1	2.0	26.00	16.50	1.41	0.045800	
67	F10011	MELINA	420	1	6.8	17.94	14.41	2.30	0.175790	
68	F10011	JAML	501	1	9.0	13.11	11.22	1.84	0.132385	
69	F10011	CIPRES	501	1	9.0	15.00	12.00	3.46	0.162000	
70	F10011	CIPRES	501	2	9.1	15.00	9.55	4.55	0.130357	
71	F10011	CIPRES	502	1	14.0	14.00	11.70	2.31	0.229320	
72	F10011	CIPRES	503	1	30.0	15.00	7.00	1.47	0.315000	
73	F10011	CIPRES	504	1	30.0	18.00	11.00	4.47	0.594000	
74	F10011	JAML	505	1	6.0	17.64	16.32	3.52	0.195762	
75	F10011	CIPRES	505	1	6.8	15.08	6.47	3.62	0.069866	
76	F10011	CIPRES	506	1	7.0	21.00	15.90	3.85	0.211730	
77	F10011	CIPRES	507	1	5.0	15.80	14.40	2.09	0.113760	
78	F10011	CIPRES	507	2	4.0	13.50	10.50	2.78	0.113400	
79	F10011	PINUS	507	1	7.0	17.85	10.71	4.22	0.133471	
80	F10011	MELINA	510	1	1.0	41.00	15.00	3.27	0.064500	
81	F10011	TECA	510	1	2.0	16.50	6.00	1.01	0.019800	
82	F10011	TECA	512	1	1.0	10.00	3.00	0.17	0.003000	
83	F10011	PINUS	514	1	6.0	23.83	16.83	4.41	0.240675	
84	F10011	MELINA	516	1	2.0	49.50	47.50	9.22	0.470250	
85	F10011	TECA	516	1	2.0	27.50	24.00	1.73	0.159500	
86	F10011	PINUS	517	1	4.8	16.57	10.00	2.00	0.062966	
87	F10011	JAML	518	1	0.7	14.28	7.14	0.25	0.007137	
88	F10011	CIPRES	519	1	6.8	15.58	7.79	2.95	0.042570	
89	F10011	JAML	622	1	9.0	18.55	17.11	3.80	0.205651	
90	F10011	JAML	622	2	12.4	13.00	14.50	1.80	0.213740	
91	F10011	JAML	622	3	13.0	12.00	17.50	3.78	0.273000	
92	F10011	JAML	622	4	12.4	10.00	14.90	2.08	0.184760	
93	F10011	CIPRES	622	1	13.0	14.00	7.90	1.83	0.141780	
94	F10011	CIPRES	622	2	13.0	13.00	8.20	1.85	0.134580	
95	F10011	CIPRES	622	3	13.0	12.00	7.80	2.17	0.121680	
96	F10011	CIPRES	624	1	8.0	21.00	24.50	4.25	0.411600	
97	F10011	CIPRES	626	1	9.8	11.83	4.67	2.76	0.100515	
98	F10011	JAML	704	1	8.8	12.95	16.02	2.43	0.182564	
99	F10011	PINUS	707	1	7.0	21.00	16.00	4.47	0.257600	
100	F10011	PINUS	708	1	11.0	21.00	14.90	6.08	0.425040	
101	F10011	JAML	709	1	7.7	22.98	18.57	3.13	0.328589	
102	F10011	JAML	709	2	9.0	17.08	18.00	3.13	0.289656	
103	F10011	CIPRES	710	1	7.1	20.00	14.92	3.02	0.211864	
104	F10011	PINUS	711	1	8.0	20.25	15.00	6.01	0.243000	
105	F10011	JAML	712	1	0.7	21.42	12.85	0.54	0.019267	
105	F10011	PINUS	713	1	7.0	23.72	17.42	5.82	0.284242	

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ONS	DATACODE	SITE	ALT	ELEV	MAX	MIN	MEAN	ROOM	LIGHT	RAD	PRECIP	EVAP	SOILPH	PLUVIOSO	INTERM	FCOSECOS
1	F10012	101	90	70	10.4	21.7	25.3	85.5	1662	381.6	4526	534	6.2	12	0	0
2	F10012	102	260	249	28.4	20.5	21.8	88.0	1563	291.4	4526	369	5.7	12	0	0
3	F10012	103	150	70	10.4	21.7	25.3	85.5	1662	381.6	4526	522	5.3	12	0	0
4	F10012	104	240	249	28.4	20.5	21.8	88.0	1563	291.4	4526	369	5.9	12	0	0
5	F10012	105	249	249	28.4	20.5	21.8	88.0	1563	291.4	4526	369	5.9	12	0	0
6	F10012	107	100	249	28.4	20.5	21.8	88.0	1563	291.4	4526	369	4.8	12	0	0
7	F10012	108	100	249	28.4	20.5	21.8	88.0	1563	291.4	4526	369	6.2	12	0	0
8	F10012	110	250	70	10.4	21.7	25.3	85.5	1662	381.6	4526	522	5.3	12	0	0
9	F10012	112	20	3	30.3	21.8	25.3	85.0	1822	274.5	2283	695	5.8	7	5	0
10	F10012	201	1736	2010	14.7	12.7	14.9	88.3	1687	471.0	1838	490	5.2	7	2	3
11	F10012	202	580	600	26.8	18.9	22.0	85.0	1785	383.6	4535	453	5.1	11	1	0
12	F10012	203	540	600	26.8	18.9	22.0	85.0	1785	383.6	4535	453	5.6	11	1	0
13	F10012	204	120	600	26.8	18.9	22.0	85.0	1785	383.6	3554	453	6.0	11	1	0
14	F10012	205	122	600	26.8	18.9	22.0	85.0	1785	383.6	3182	453	6.0	11	1	0
15	F10012	206	160	600	26.8	18.9	22.0	85.0	1785	381.6	3182	453	6.2	11	1	0
16	F10012	208	1900	2010	14.7	12.7	14.9	88.3	1687	471.0	3115	490	5.2	11	1	0
17	F10012	211	410	600	26.8	18.9	22.0	85.0	1785	383.6	4111	453	5.8	12	0	0
18	F10012	212	1900	2010	14.7	12.7	14.9	88.3	1687	471.0	3315	490	5.2	11	1	0
19	F10012	301	380	350	31.3	19.3	24.5	86.5	1922	359.5	3672	759	5.0	8	3	1
20	F10012	302	500	350	31.3	19.3	24.5	86.5	1922	359.5	3666	759	5.5	10	1	1
21	F10012	303	500	350	31.3	19.3	24.5	86.5	1922	359.5	3672	759	5.8	8	3	1
22	F10012	304	20	20	31.8	22.7	26.0	87.0	2232	336.8	3667	619	6.6	9	3	0
23	F10012	305	10	20	31.8	22.7	26.0	87.0	2232	336.8	3667	619	6.1	9	3	0
24	F10012	306	410	1450	20.8	17.0	19.1	88.5	1215	350.1	3646	533	5.4	11	1	1
25	F10012	307	415	1450	20.8	17.0	19.1	88.5	1215	350.1	3646	533	5.9	10	1	1
26	F10012	308	570	1450	20.8	17.0	19.1	88.5	1215	350.1	2714	533	5.1	8	2	2
27	F10012	309	590	350	31.3	19.3	24.5	86.5	1922	359.5	2714	759	5.0	8	2	2
28	F10012	310	530	1450	20.8	17.0	19.1	88.5	1215	350.1	2667	533	5.6	8	3	1
29	F10012	312	680	1450	20.8	17.0	19.1	88.5	1215	350.1	3081	533	5.3	9	2	1
30	F10012	313	700	1450	20.8	17.0	19.1	88.5	1215	350.1	3122	533	5.6	9	2	1
31	F10012	314	340	350	31.3	19.3	24.5	86.5	1922	359.5	3122	759	5.7	8	4	0
32	F10012	315	400	1450	20.8	17.0	19.1	88.5	1215	350.1	2362	533	5.7	6	1	1
33	F10012	316	1109	1450	20.8	17.0	19.1	88.5	1215	350.1	3081	533	5.6	7	2	1
34	F10012	401	20	120	31.9	22.3	25.9	78.9	2365	485.4	2223	1128	6.7	7	1	4
35	F10012	403	50	120	31.9	22.3	25.9	78.9	2365	485.4	1844	1128	6.7	6	2	4
36	F10012	405	22	35	32.8	22.6	27.2	79.0	2350	485.4	1821	1019	6.6	6	2	4

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OH5	DATACOD	SITE	ALT	ELEV	THAX	THIN	THED	PHOM	EQOIL	RAD	PRECIP	EVAP	SOILPH	PLUVIOSO	INTERM	FCOSECOS
37	F10012	406	120	85	12.8	22.6	21.2	19.0	2150	485.4	1635	1839	6.9	7	0	5
38	F10012	407	120	85	12.8	22.6	21.2	19.0	2150	485.4	1708	1839	6.8	7	1	4
39	F10012	410	50	40	12.6	22.4	21.2	16.5	2557	350.1	1664	2008	6.8	7	1	4
40	F10012	411	50	40	12.6	22.4	21.2	16.5	2557	350.1	1664	2008	6.3	7	1	4
41	F10012	412	60	40	12.6	22.4	21.2	16.5	2557	350.1	2210	2008	6.7	7	1	4
42	F10012	413	90	45	12.8	22.6	21.2	19.0	2150	485.4	1315	1839	6.3	7	0	5
43	F10012	414	30	45	12.8	22.6	21.2	19.0	2150	485.4	1497	1839	6.7	6	1	5
44	F10012	415	400	590	21.0	20.6	21.0	45.9	1705	141.6	2391	712	6.7	6	2	4
45	F10012	417	30	40	12.6	22.4	21.2	16.5	2557	350.1	1821	2008	6.7	6	2	4
46	F10012	420	50	40	12.6	22.4	21.2	16.5	2557	350.1	1615	2008	6.8	6	1	5
47	F10012	501	2100	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2993	650	5.4	7	2	3
48	F10012	502	1550	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2177	650	5.7	7	2	3
49	F10012	503	1520	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2177	650	5.6	7	2	3
50	F10012	504	1750	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2177	650	5.1	7	2	3
51	F10012	505	2100	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2993	650	4.7	10	2	0
52	F10012	506	1570	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2177	650	6.3	8	1	3
53	F10012	507	1100	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2502	650	5.9	8	2	2
54	F10012	510	850	800	28.4	18.0	22.3	17.8	2440	453.2	3879	1316	6.1	8	2	2
55	F10012	512	250	800	28.4	18.0	22.3	17.8	2440	453.2	3879	1316	5.9	8	2	2
56	F10012	513	160	650	10.7	20.6	26.9	80.2	2440	453.2	1205	1406	5.9	9	0	3
57	F10012	516	30	1	12.6	22.4	26.8	81.6	2291	317.5	4642	765	5.3	9	2	1
58	F10012	517	400	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2586	504	5.9	7	2	1
59	F10012	518	1500	1172	24.8	16.7	19.7	85.2	1885	128.4	2177	801	6.3	7	2	3
60	F10012	519	2500	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	2956	650	4.7	8	0	4
61	F10012	622	2620	1400	12.0	5.4	7.9	17.9	1939	471.0	2009	650	5.4	8	1	3
62	F10012	624	1375	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	1378	650	5.9	7	3	2
63	F10012	625	1400	1400	24.2	13.8	19.5	81.0	1939	471.0	1403	650	5.9	6	2	4
64	F10012	704	1420	1450	22.5	15.3	17.8	85.9	1885	128.4	3759	502	5.9	11	1	0
65	F10012	707	700	450	10.7	20.6	26.9	80.2	2440	453.2	2154	667	6.3	7	2	3
66	F10012	708	1180	1172	24.8	16.7	19.7	85.2	1885	128.4	3111	801	6.4	8	3	1
67	F10012	709	1450	1450	22.5	15.3	17.8	85.9	1885	128.4	3759	502	5.9	9	2	1
68	F10012	710	1450	1450	22.5	15.3	17.8	85.9	1885	128.4	3346	502	5.9	9	2	1
69	F10012	711	900	800	28.4	18.0	22.3	17.8	2440	453.2	2559	1316	6.3	7	1	3
70	F10012	712	1400	1100	26.3	15.8	20.2	81.6	2440	453.2	2158	667	6.3	8	1	3
71	F10012	713	1100	1172	24.8	16.7	19.7	85.2	1885	128.4	3600	801	6.4	8	2	2









SITES AND SOIL PHYSICS CHARACTERISTICS

ONS	DATACONF	SITE	SAND1	SILT1	CLAY1	SAND2	SILT2	CLAY2	SAND3	SILT3	CLAY3	ASAND	ASILT	ACLAY
1	F50343	101	17	60	23	19	52	29	15	46	39	16.750	50.000	33.250
2	F50343	102	41	16	3	83	14	3	81	16	3	81.750	15.250	3.000
3	F50343	103	25	34	41	31	24	45	29	24	47	29.250	25.250	45.500
4	F50343	104	17	16	7	79	16	5	77	18	5	77.750	17.000	5.250
5	F50343	105	13	18	9	69	24	7	69	24	7	69.500	23.250	7.250
6	F50343	107	19	20	41	45	14	41	43	12	45	43.250	13.750	43.000
7	F50343	108	47	28	5	63	32	5	73	22	5	68.500	26.500	5.000
8	F50343	202	54	22	24	52	24	24	50	18	32	51.250	20.750	28.000
9	F50343	203	48	28	24	59	19	29	59	26	24	57.625	31.125	25.875
10	F50343	204	16	10	54	14	25	60	12	24	64	13.250	25.500	61.250
11	F50343	205	14	16	50	16	12	52	6	28	66	10.750	10.500	58.750
12	F50343	206	26	32	42	22	26	52	8	22	70	15.500	24.750	59.750
13	F50343	208	66	24	8	82	14	4	82	12	6	80.000	14.500	5.500
14	F50343	211	48	10	22	56	22	22	52	20	28	53.000	22.000	25.000
15	F50343	212	65	26	8	82	14	4	82	12	6	79.875	14.500	5.500
16	F50343	101	10	20	50	14	18	66	12	18	78	15.750	18.250	66.000
17	F50343	302	16	26	18	16	24	56	14	26	60	17.500	26.750	55.750
18	F50343	303	42	46	12	42	42	16	44	40	16	43.000	41.500	15.500
19	F50343	104	26	26	48	54	28	18	58	24	18	52.500	25.750	21.750
20	F50343	305	32	34	14	32	26	42	20	26	54	26.000	27.000	47.000
21	F50343	306	32	12	36	30	28	42	16	20	64	21.250	24.500	52.250
22	F50343	307	64	26	10	62	24	14	60	24	16	61.250	24.250	14.500
23	F50343	108	70	14	16	68	16	16	66	16	18	67.250	15.750	17.000
24	F50343	309	38	20	42	42	12	28	32	12	56	43.250	13.000	43.750
25	F50343	310	52	10	18	46	14	36	32	16	52	39.750	18.500	41.750
26	F50343	312	46	26	28	28	18	54	18	16	66	25.250	18.000	56.750
27	F50343	311	16	26	38	34	20	46	28	18	54	31.250	19.750	49.000
28	F50343	314	44	24	10	36	22	42	10	16	54	34.250	19.250	46.500
29	F50343	401	36	16	24	40	22	31	40	27	33	39.500	28.875	31.750
30	F50343	403	16	46	38	14	44	42	2	38	60	4.250	41.250	50.500
31	F50343	405	48	32	20	50	10	20	60	34	6	54.750	32.250	13.000
32	F50343	406	52	18	18	62	26	12	52	28	20	55.750	27.500	16.750
33	F50343	407	50	37	13	48	30	22	48	24	28	48.250	27.875	23.875
34	F50343	410	14	30	36	30	10	40	40	44	16	35.500	37.000	27.500
35	F50343	411	16	37	27	32	24	39	10	11	39	31.500	31.000	37.500
36	F50343	412	36	42	22	38	38	24	34	34	32	35.750	36.500	27.750
37	F50343	413	18	43	19	19	47	14	37	33	30	37.875	34.500	22.625
38	F50343	414	36	31	33	34	25	41	22	29	44	28.250	27.750	44.000
39	F50343	501	42	38	20	16	10	34	54	16	10	45.750	34.000	20.250
40	F50343	502	54	28	18	48	12	28	56	10	14	52.750	30.500	16.750
41	F50343	503	30	30	40	12	28	60	6	28	66	11.250	28.250	60.500
42	F50343	504	52	28	22	34	38	28	36	50	14	37.250	42.500	20.250
43	F50343	505	48	32	20	60	28	12	50	38	12	51.500	31.500	13.000
44	F50343	506	54	22	24	16	44	20	44	18	18	42.250	38.250	19.500
45	F50343	507	24	16	36	42	10	28	42	28	30	40.250	29.750	30.000
46	F50343	622	64	10	6	64	10	6	58	36	6	61.000	13.000	6.000
47	F50343	624	24	46	26	18	46	16	18	44	18	19.250	45.000	35.750
48	F50343	704	40	34	6	70	24	6	68	26	6	67.750	26.250	6.000
49	F50343	707	14	48	14	36	42	22	32	42	26	34.250	42.750	23.000
50	F50343	708	50	12	18	44	16	22	40	34	26	42.750	33.750	23.500

APPENDIX 9 2/

Numerical code for the species in investigation in Costa  
Rica and location of the plots inside the country

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2/ The information was taken from Camacho, (1981) and Martinez,  
(1981).

CODE FOR SPECIES IN INVESTIGATION IN COSTA RICA

001	<i>Acacia auriculiformis</i> A. Cunn. ex Benth.	049	<i>Gliricidia sepium</i> (Jack) Steud
002	<i>Acacia mangium</i> Willd	050	<i>Gmelina arborea</i> Roxb
003	<i>Acrocarpus fraxinifolius</i> Wight	051	<i>Grevillea robusta</i> A. Cunn
004	<i>Albizia falcataria</i> (L.) Fosberg	052	<i>Guazuma ulmifolia</i> Lam
005	<i>Alnus acuminata</i> (HBK) C. Ktze	053	<i>Hibiscus elatus</i> (DC.) Swartz
006	<i>Amoridium excelsum</i> (Bert y Balb) Steels	054	<i>Hybanthus courbaril</i> L.
007	<i>Anthocephalus chinensis</i> (Roxb) Miq.	055	<i>Jacaranda copaia</i> (Aubl) D. Don
008	<i>Astronium graveolens</i> Jacq.	056	<i>Jacaranda minosifolia</i> D. Don
009	<i>Balaichneidia anay</i> (Blake) Kosterm	057	<i>Juglans olanchanum</i> Standl y Will
010	<i>Bombacopsis quinatum</i> (Jacq) DuRoi	058	<i>Leucaena leucocephala</i> (Lam) de Wit
011	<i>Breznium alicastrum</i> Swartz	059	<i>Mimantia quinensis</i> Aubl
012	<i>Breznium utile</i> (HBK) Pezizier	100	<i>Montanoa dimicola</i> Klatt
013	<i>Bursera sinaruba</i> (L.) Sary.	057	<i>Myroxylon balsamum</i> (L.) Harms
014	<i>Calliandra calothyrsus</i> Meisner	058	<i>Pentaclethra macroloba</i> (Willd) Ktze
015	<i>Calophyllum brasiliense</i> Camb.	059	<i>Pinus canariensis</i> C. Smith
016	<i>Carapa guianensis</i> Aubl	060	<i>Pinus caribaea</i> var. <i>bahamensis</i> Barr y Golf
017	<i>Casuarina equisetifolia</i> L.	061	<i>Pinus caribaea</i> var. <i>caribaea</i> Barr y Golf
018	<i>Cestrola mexicana</i> (L.) Roem.	062	<i>Pinus caribaea</i> var. <i>hondurensis</i> Barr y Golf
019	<i>Cedrela toduzii</i> (C.) DC.	063	<i>Pinus Elliottii</i> (Engelm) Little y Dorman
020	<i>Cedrela pentandra</i> (L.) Goerth	064	<i>Pinus engelmannii</i> Carr.
021	<i>Cordia alliodora</i> (Ruiz y Pavón) Cham	065	<i>Pinus Katsya</i> Royce y Gordon
022	<i>Cordia alliodora</i>	066	<i>Pinus oocarpa</i> Schiede.
023	<i>Cordia Garascanthus</i> off. <i>Garascanthus</i>	067	<i>Pinus patula</i> Schl y Cham.
024	<i>Cryptomeria japonica</i> D. Don.	068	<i>Pinus pinaster</i> Aitor
025	<i>Cupressus lusitanica</i> Mill	069	<i>Pinus pseudostrobus</i> Lindl
026	<i>Cupressus macrocarpa</i> (Gard)	070	<i>Pinus radiata</i> C. Don
027	<i>Cybiatex donnell-smithii</i> (Rose) Seibert	071	<i>Pinus rudis</i> Endl.
028	<i>Dalbergia cubilquitzensis</i> Pittier	072	<i>Pinus taeda</i> L.
029	<i>Dalbergia retusa</i> Hance	101	<i>Pithecolobium pseudo-samarindus</i> Britt Standl
030	<i>Delonix regia</i> (Bojer) Raf.	073	<i>Pithecolobium saman</i> (Jack) Benth.
031	<i>Didymopanax morototoni</i> (Aubl) Decne y Planch	102	<i>Platymiscium pleiostachyum</i> Donn Sm.
032	<i>Digbya robinoides</i> Benth	103	<i>Platymiscium pinnatum</i> (Jacq) DuRoi
033	<i>Dipterodendrum costarricense</i> Radlk	074	<i>Podocarpus oleifolius</i> Don
034	<i>Dipterodendrum elegans</i> Radlk	104	<i>Pseudotsuga sparsa</i> (Sw.) Griseb
035	<i>Dryas granadiensis</i> (L.)	075	<i>Quercus coccinata</i> Weck
036	<i>Euterpe cymocarpa</i> (Jack) Griseb	076	<i>Schizolobium parahybum</i> (Vell) Blake
037	<i>Eucalyptus alba</i> Raird	077	<i>Sebania grandiflora</i> (L.) Pers.
038	<i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i> Dehnb	078	<i>Simarouba glauca</i> D.C.
039	<i>Eucalyptus citriodora</i> Hook	079	<i>Sterculia apetala</i> (Jack) Karst.
040	<i>Eucalyptus ciliolata</i> F. Muell	080	<i>Styphnodendron excelsum</i> Harms
041	<i>Eucalyptus decepta</i> Skelley	081	<i>Swartzia panamensis</i> Benth
042	<i>Eucalyptus deglupta</i> Blume	082	<i>Swietenia humilis</i> Zucc
043	<i>Eucalyptus globulus</i> Labill	083	<i>Swietenia macrophylla</i> G. King
044	<i>Eucalyptus grandis</i> Mill ex Maiden	084	<i>Tabebuia chrysantha</i> (Jack) Nichol.
045	<i>Eucalyptus longifolia</i> Link y Otto	105	<i>Tabebuia palmeri</i> Rose.
046	<i>Eucalyptus macrocarpa</i> Hook	085	<i>Tabebuia rosea</i> (Vertol) DC.
047	<i>Eucalyptus maculata</i> Hook	086	<i>Tectona grandis</i> Linn
048	<i>Eucalyptus maidenii</i> F. Muell	087	<i>Terminalia amazonia</i> (Gmel) Exell.
049	<i>Eucalyptus robusta</i> Smith	088	<i>Terminalia ivrensis</i> A. Chev
050	<i>Eucalyptus saligna</i> Smith	089	<i>Terminalia lucida</i> Hoffm.
051	<i>Eucalyptus tereticornis</i> Smith	090	<i>Toona ciliata</i> M. Roem
052	<i>Eupasia jambos</i> Linn	091	<i>Trema micrantha</i> (L.) Blume
053	<i>Fraxinus ulei</i> Lindlsh	106	<i>Trichosperma mexicanum</i> (DC.) Seill.

CODE FOR SITES IN INVESTIGATION IN COSTA RICA AND  
TOTAL OF PLOT PER LOCACTION. 1971-1981

site code		No. of plot per site
<b>Forestry Region 1: Atlantic Zone</b>		
101	San Cristóbal-Roxana-Pococí	(4)
102	Guápiles - Pococí - Instituto Agropecuario	(11)
103	Guácimo - Limón - Hacienda Santa María	(4)
104	Guápiles - Pococí - Hacienda La Granya	(8)
105	Guápiles - Pococí - Estación Experimental Los Diamantes	(45)
106	Guácimo - Limón Hacienda La Rosalía	(6)
107	Guácimo - Limón - Hacienda La Cabaña	(7)
108	Guácimo - Limón - Instituto Agropecuario	(8)
109	Pocora - Pococí - Hacienda Bremen	(4)
110	Carriari - Pococí - Los Angeles de	(6)
111	Río Nondo - Siquarres	(3)
112	La Somba - Limón	(4)
<b>Forestry Region 2: North Zone</b>		
201	Zarcero - Alfaro Ruiz - Finca de León Rojas	(1)
202	Ciudad Quesada - San Carlos - Donatigo Bar El Jade	(2)
203	Ciudad Quesada - Barrio El Carmen - Colegio Agroindustrial	(3)
204	Platanar - San Carlos - Detrás del Templo del Lugar	(1)
205	Muelle - San Carlos - Frente Acerradero	(1)
206	Santa Rosa - Curris - Finca Familia Quesada	(2)
207	Cedral Sur - Ciudad Quesada - Finca El Cecral de José Jurás	(1)
208	Vara Blanca de Heredia - Finca de Rogelio Aguilar	(1)
209	Vara Blanca de Heredia - Finca Abras	(4)
210	Vara Blanca de Heredia - Finca La Legua	(1)
211	La Marina de San Carlos - Hacienda La Marina	(2)
212	Vara Blanca de Heredia - Finca El Cortijo de Miguel Tana	(2)
213	Los Angeles de La Fortuna - San Carlos, Zona Fluca TCCO	(6)
214	Instituto Agropecuario de Upala - Alajuela	(3)
<b>Forestry Region 3: South Pacific Zone</b>		
301	Buenos Aires - Puntarenas - Aeropuerto	(9)
302	Salitre de Buenos Aires - Puntarenas	(23)
303	Bayo Teuco - Buenos Aires - Puntarenas	(9)
304	Palmar Norte - Instituto Agropecuario	(15)
305	Río Claro - Volcán - Instituto Agropecuario Guayará	(8)
306	Volcán - Buenos Aires - Entrada al pueblo	(1)
307	Volcán - Buenos Aires - Finca de los Seita	(2)
308	San Pedro de Buenos Aires - Finca Santa Cecilia	(2)
309	San Pedro de Buenos Aires - Finca La Terranova	(1)
310	San Isidro - Pérez Zeledón - Ganadera El Santo	(4)
311	San Isidro de El General - Finca de la U.N.A.	(1)
312	Pedregal de San Isidro de El General - Finca de Luis Borrero	(1)
314	Santa Marta de Buenos Aires - Finca Ron-Ron	(2)
315	Pajibaye de Pérez Zeledón - Instituto Agropecuario	(6)
316	Los Angeles de Pérez Zeledón	(4)
317	Boruca - Buenos Aires - Puntarenas	(3)
<b>Forestry Region 4: Dry Pacific Zone</b>		
401	Mansión - Nicoya - Hacienda El Limonal	(2)
402	Nicoya - Vivero forestal del MAG	(2)
403	Santa Cruz - Finca de Eduard Cabalseta	(2)
404	Paladefus - Detrás del Seguro Social	(2)
405	Paso Tenisque - Finca de Juan Carlos Guillén	(2)
406	Colorado - Finca de Narciso Nivas	(4)
407	Liberia - Finca El Peñón de la Bajura	(1)
408	Segaces - Ruta al Volcán Miravalles	(1)
409	Cañas - Vivero El Pochote	(1)
410	Taboza - Cañas - Estación Experimental Enrique Jiménez Nñez	(15)
411	Taboza - Cañas - Hacienda La Roca	(3)
412	San Joaquín de Amacares - Finca de Enrique Basevichos	(2)
413	Liberia - Hacienda La Flor	(2)
414	Liberia - Hacienda El Pual	(2)
415	La Cruz - Hacienda La Vary	(1)

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site code		No. of plot per site
416	San Luis de las Juntas de Abangares	(4)
417	La Palma de las Juntas de Abangares	(10)
418	Bebedero - Cañas - Ingenio Taboqa	(1)
419	Cañas - Hacienda La Javilla de Rodolfo Zeledón	(1)
420	Cañas - Hacienda La Pacifica	(2)
421	Liberia - Centro Universitario de Guanacaste	(8)
422	La Cruz - Finca Poccosol	(1)
423	Belén - Filadelfia - Coopeguanacaste	(1)
424	La Palma de Abangares	(1)
<b>Forestry Region 5: Central Pacific Zone</b>		
501	Cuadrada de Dota - Finca de Sucesión Ureña	(10)
502	Santa María de Dota - Finca de Rodrigo Solís	(4)
503	San Marcos de Tarrazú - Finca de Humberto Greña	(1)
504	San Pablo de León Cortés - Finca de Jorge Arquedas	(1)
505	La Chonta de Dota - Hacienda el Robledal de José Ma. Castro	(8)
506	Tarbaca - Finca Tara de Oscar Chacón	(1)
507	Palmichal de Acosta - Finca de Benito Meza	(13)
508	San Cristóbal de Palmichal de Acosta - Finca de Jorge Mora P.	(1)
509	Palmichal de Acosta - Finca El Ripial	(2)
510	San Pablo de Turribares - Instituto Agropecuario	(6)
511	San Luis de Turribares	(3)
512	San Francisco de Turribares	(3)
513	San Juan de Mata - Turribares	(3)
514	La Gloria de Puriscal - Instituto Agropecuario	(6)
515	Matapalo de Aguirre - Instituto Agropecuario	(3)
516	Matapalo de Aguirre - Finca de Eliécer Castro	(2)
517	Acosta - Centro Agrícola Cantonal	(3)
518	Acosta - Ganadera Caragral de Mario Rivas Zeledón	(1)
519	La Cima de Dota - Finca de Iván Delliens	(3)
<b>Forestry Region 6: Central Valley Zone (East)</b>		
Los primeros 20 dígitos se han reservado para los ensayos establecidos en el Centro Agronómico Tropical de Investigación y Enseñanza (CATIE)		
621	Ochomogo - Finca de la Municipalidad de Cartago	(9)
622	Río Reventado - Parque Recreativo de Prusia	(19)
623	San Isidro de Tejar - Finca de Ramón González	(1)
624	San Isidro de Tejar - Finca Cocorí	(1)
625	Tierra Blanca - Cartago - Centro de Adaptación Social	(3)
626	Taras - Cartago - Los Diques	(5)
<b>Forestry Region 7: Central Valley Zone (West)</b>		
701	Alajuela - Barrio San José Estación Experimental Fabio Baudrit	(6)
702	San Isidro de Grecia - Finca La Trés	(1)
703	Cabedalla de Turribares - La Garita (I.C.E.)	(1)
704	San Jerónimo de Moravia - Finca de Oscar Madrigal	(4)
705	San Isidro de Coronado - Finca de R. Castro	(1)
706	San José de La Montaña - Heredia - Finca de los Steinworth	(1)
707	Grecia - Finca La Argentina	(2)
708	Santo Tomás de Santo Domingo - Rancho Arizona	(4)
709	San Jerónimo de Moravia - Finca de Freddy Solís	(3)
710	San Jerónimo de Moravia - Finca de Ceralia Alpiñar	(1)
711	Ciudad Colón - San José - Hacienda El Rodeo	(2)
712	Serchí - Alajuela - Hacienda La Luisa	(6)
713	San Pablo de Heredia - Compañía Pflizer	(2)

APPENDIX No. 10.

Sites number, location in coordinate of latitude and longitude, elevation above mean sea level, and corresponding meteorological station to which they were referred.

SITE			METEOROLOGICAL STATION		
Number	Latitude - Longitude	Elev.	Latitude - Longitude	Elev.	Name
101	10°17' - 83°43'	90	10°21' - 83°46'	70	La Mola
102	10°12' - 83°47'	260	10°13' - 83°49'	249	Los Diamantes
103	10°17' - 83°34'	150	10°21' - 83°46'	70	La Mola
104	10°13' - 83°44'	240	10°13' - 83°49'	249	Los Diamantes
105	10°13' - 83°46'	249	10°13' - 83°49'	249	Los Diamantes
106	10°17' - 83°40'	70	10°21' - 83°46'	70	La Mola
107	10°12' - 83°41'	100	10°13' - 83°49'	249	Los Diamantes
108	10°12' - 83°41'	100	10°13' - 83°49'	249	Los Diamantes
109	10°12' - 83°37'	70	10°13' - 83°49'	249	Los Diamantes
110	10°18' - 83°40'	250	10°21' - 83°46'	70	La Mola
111	10°05' - 83°25'	200	10°06' - 83°23'	40	La Lola
112	09°55' - 83°01'	20	10°00' - 83°03'	3	Limon
201	10°11' - 84°24'	1736	10°13' - 84°23'	2010	Palmira
202	10°19' - 84°26'	580	10°21' - 84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista
203	10°19' - 84°26'	540	10°21' - 84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista
204	10°25' - 84°28'	120	10°21' - 84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista
205	10°28' - 84°27'	122	10°21' - 84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista

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206	10°36'	-	84°29'	160	10°21'	-	84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista
207	10°22'	-	84°26'	590	10°21'	-	84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista
211	10°23'	-	84°22'	410	10°21'	-	84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista
212	10°09'	-	84°09'	1900	10°13'	-	84°23'	2010	Palmira
213	10°27'	-	84°34'	80	10°21'	-	84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista
214	10°54'	-	83°01'	30	10°21'	-	84°24'	600	C.Rural Metodista
301	09°10'	-	83°20'	380	09°11'	-	83°20'	350	La Pinera
302	09°12'	-	83°19'	500	09°11'	-	83°20'	350	La Pinera
303	09°10'	-	83°22'	500	09°11'	-	83°20'	350	La Pinera
304	08°58'	-	83°27'	20	08°57'	-	83°28'	16	Palmar Sur
305	08°41'	-	83°04'	30	08°57'	-	83°28'	16	Palmar Sur
306	09°12'	-	83°28'	410	09°22'	-	83°33'	1450	Cedral
307	09°13'	-	83°27'	415	09°22'	-	83°33'	1450	Cedral
308	09°15'	-	83°31'	570	09°22'	-	83°33'	1450	Cedral
309	09°16'	-	83°22'	590	09°11'	-	83°20'	350	La Pinera
310	09°17'	-	83°38'	550	09°22'	-	83°33'	1450	Cedral
312	09°23'	-	83°40'	680	09°22'	-	83°33'	1450	Cedral
313	09°23'	-	83°43'	700	09°22'	-	83°33'	1450	Cedral
314	09°10'	-	83°23'	340	09°11'	-	83°20'	350	La Pinera
315	09°49'	-	83°43'	400	09°22'	-	83°33'	1450	Cedral
316	09°29'	-	83°46'	1110	09°22'	-	83°33'	1450	Cedral



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317	09°00'	-	83°19'	650	09°11'	-	83°20'	350	La Pinera
401	10°07'	-	85°17'	20	10°09'	-	85°27'	120	Nicoya
402	10°08'	-	85°28'	120	10°09'	-	85°27'	120	Nicoya
403	10°14'	-	85°36'	50	10°09'	-	85°27'	120	Nicoya
404	10°27'	-	85°33'	17	10°36'	-	85°32'	85	Liberia
405	10°30'	-	85°34'	22	10°36'	-	85°32'	85	Liberia
406	10°40'	-	85°28'	120	10°36'	-	85°32'	85	Liberia
407	10°33'	-	85°23'	120	10°36'	-	85°32'	85	Liberia
410	10°20'	-	85°12'	50	10°21'	-	85°09'	40	Taboga
411	10°22'	-	85°06'	50	10°21'	-	85°09'	40	Taboga
412	10°15'	-	85°05'	60	10°21'	-	85°09'	40	Taboga
413	10°36'	-	85°33'	98	10°36'	-	85°32'	85	Liberia
414	10°33'	-	85°32'	30	10°36'	-	85°32'	85	Liberia
416	10°18'	-	84°58'	400	10°30'	-	84°55'	580	Nueva Tronadora
417	10°15'	-	85°05'	30	10°21'	-	85°09'	40	Taboga
418	10°24'	-	85°10'	20	10°21'	-	85°09'	40	Taboga
419	10°24'	-	85°05'	50	10°21'	-	85°09'	40	Taboga
420	10°28'	-	85°07'	50	10°21'	-	85°09'	40	Taboga
421	10°37'	-	85°27'	140	10°36'	-	85°32'	85	Liberia
422	10°53'	-	85°36'	250	10°36'	-	85°32'	85	Liberia
423	10°24'	-	85°36'	30	10°35'	-	85°40'	3	Playa Panama

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424	10°18'	-	85°03'	50	10°21'	-	85°09'	40	Taboga
501	09°42'	-	83°59'	2100	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
502	09°39'	-	83°58'	1550	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
503	09°40'	-	84°01'	1520	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
504	09°41'	-	84°02'	1750	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
505	09°42'	-	83°67'	2380	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
506	09°49'	-	84°07'	1670	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
507	09°50'	-	84°15'	1110	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
508	09°50'	-	84°13'	1110	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
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510	09°54'	-	84°26'	350	10°01'	-	84°16'	840	Fabio Baudrit
511	09°51'	-	84°27'	300	10°01'	-	84°16'	840	Fabio Baudrit
512	09°52'	-	84°28'	250	10°01'	-	84°16'	840	Fabio Baudrit
513	09°52'	-	84°31'	100	10°01'	-	84°16'	840	Fabio Baudrit
514	09°39'	-	84°37'	360	09°57'	-	84°24'	450	E.C. Ganaderia
515	09°20'	-	83°57'	10	09°58'	-	84°50'	3	Puntarenas
516	09°19'	-	83°56'	30	09°58'	-	84°50'	3	Puntarenas
517	09°49'	-	84°12'	900	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
518	09°49'	-	84°08'	1500	09°56'	-	84°05'	1172	San Jose
519	09°41'	-	83°54'	2500	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
621	09°55'	-	83°57'	1560	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
622	09°58'	-	83°52'	2620	09°59'	-	83°51'	3400	Volcan Irazu

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623	09°51'	-	83°56'	1350	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
624	09°50'	-	83°58'	1375	09°50'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
625	09°56'	-	83°53'	2350	09°59'	-	83°51'	3400	Volcan Irazu
626	09°52'	-	83°56'	1400	09°59'	-	83°58'	1400	Linda Vista
703	09°56'	-	84°21'	400	09°57'	-	84°24'	450	E.C. Ganaderia
704	10°01'	-	84°01'	1420	10°02'	-	84°00'	1450	S. Josecito de H.
707	10°01'	-	84°22'	700	09°57'	-	84°24'	450	E.C. Ganaderia
708	09°59'	-	84°05'	1180	09°59'	-	84°05'	1172	San Jose
709	10°01'	-	84°01'	1450	10°02'	-	84°00'	1450	S. Josecito de H.
710	10°01'	-	84°01'	1450	10°02'	-	84°00'	1450	S. Josecito de H.
711	09°55'	-	84°16'	800	10°01'	-	84°16'	840	Fabio Baudrit
712	10°09'	-	84°20'	1400	10°07'	-	84°23'	1100	Naranjo
713	09°59'	-	84°07'	1100	09°56'	-	84°05'	1172	San Jose

## APPENDIX 11

Initial 10 years growth curves for the species  
and study sites in Costa Rica

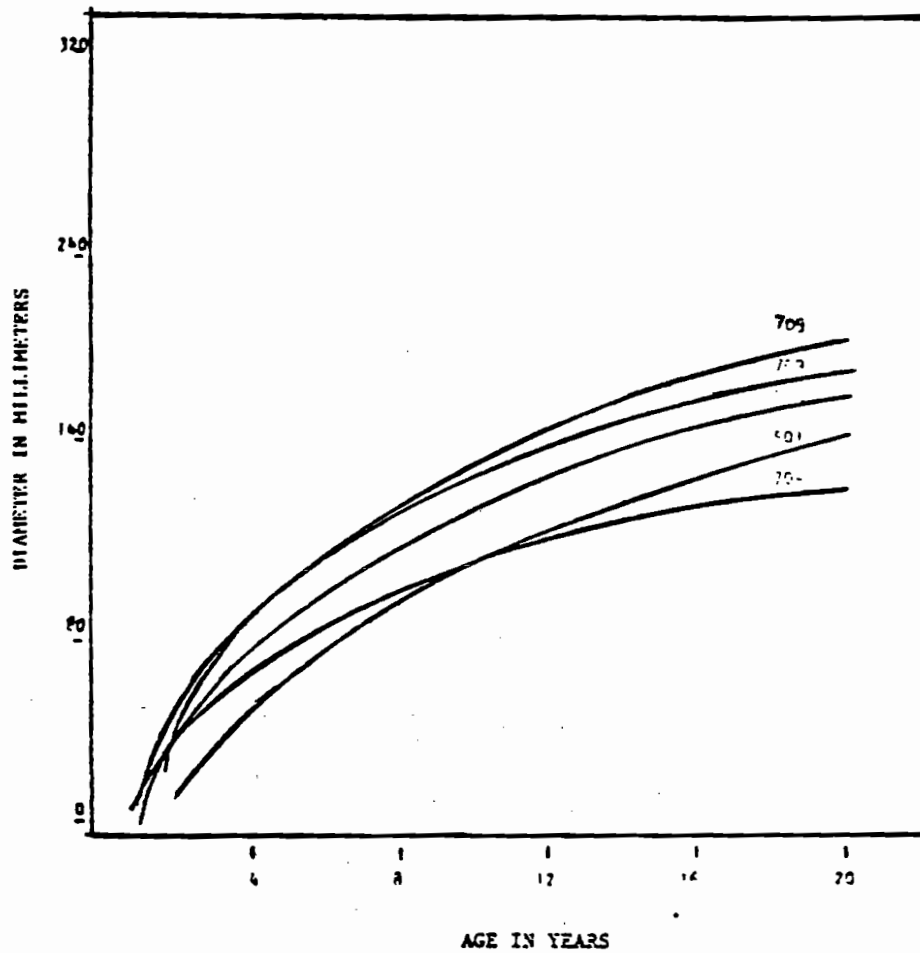


Fig. 3. Initial 10 years growth curves for different *Ainus acuminata* study sites in zones 5 and 7 of Costa Rica. Individual curve (number above the curve) is based on the mean of the 81 trees measured per plot.

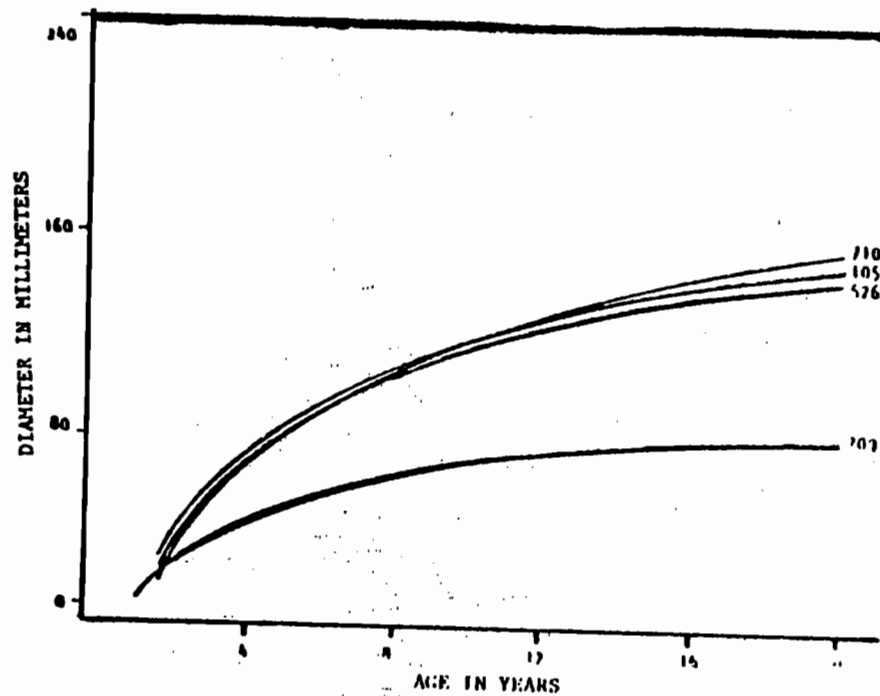


Fig. 4. Initial 10 years growth curves for different *Cupressus lusitanica* study sites in Costa Rica. Individual curve (number above the curve) is based on the mean of the 81 trees measured per plot.

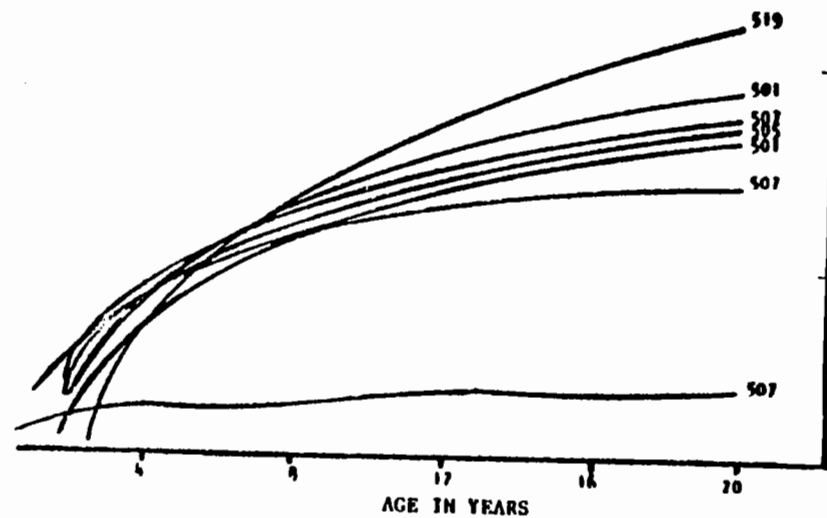


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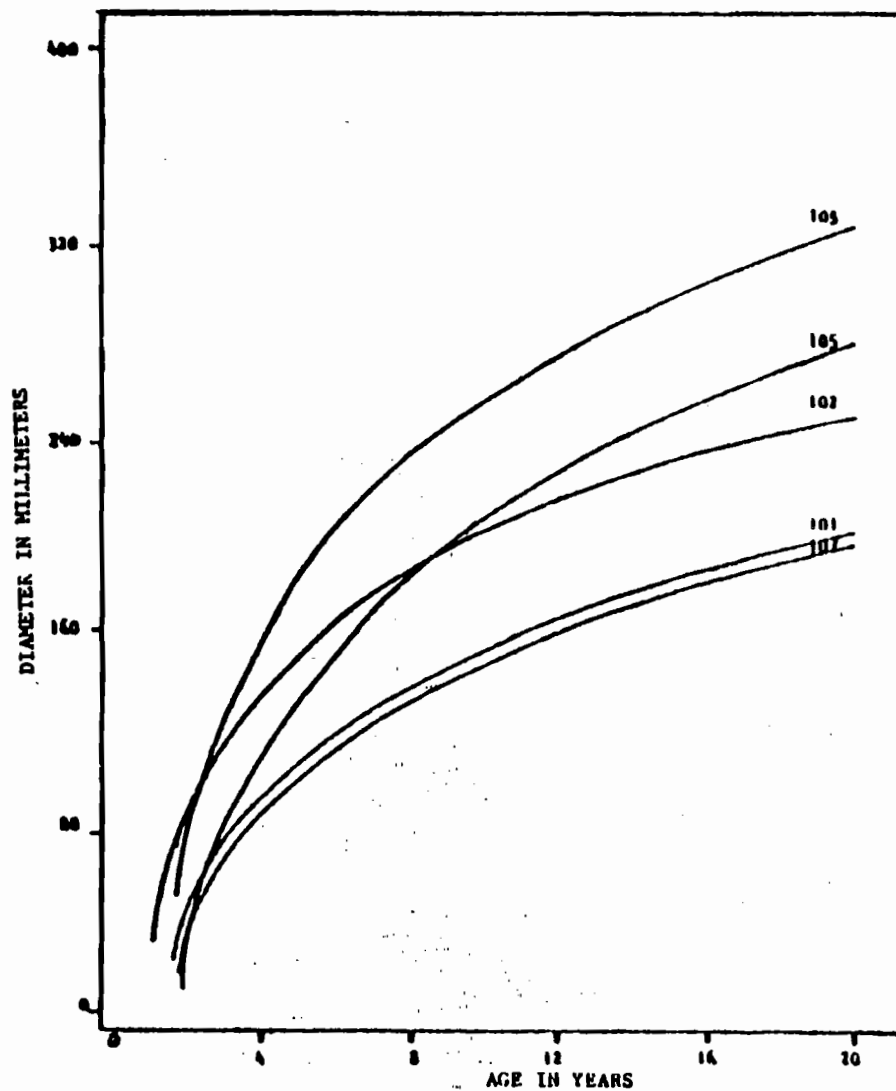


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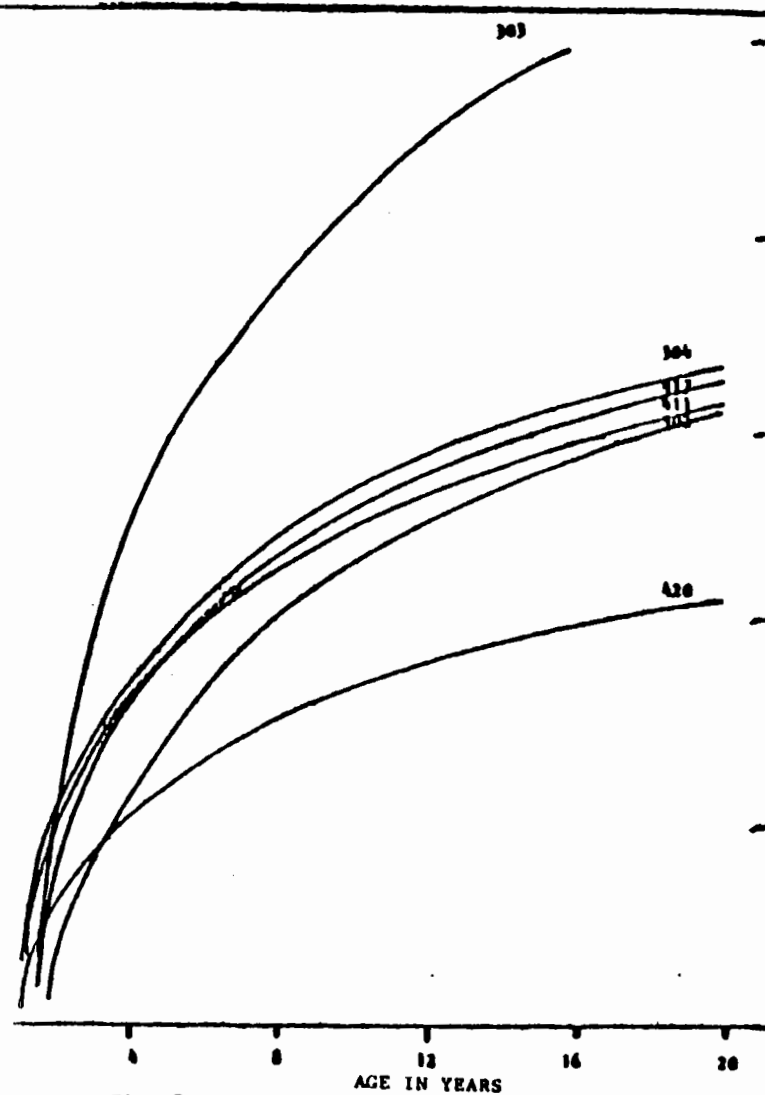


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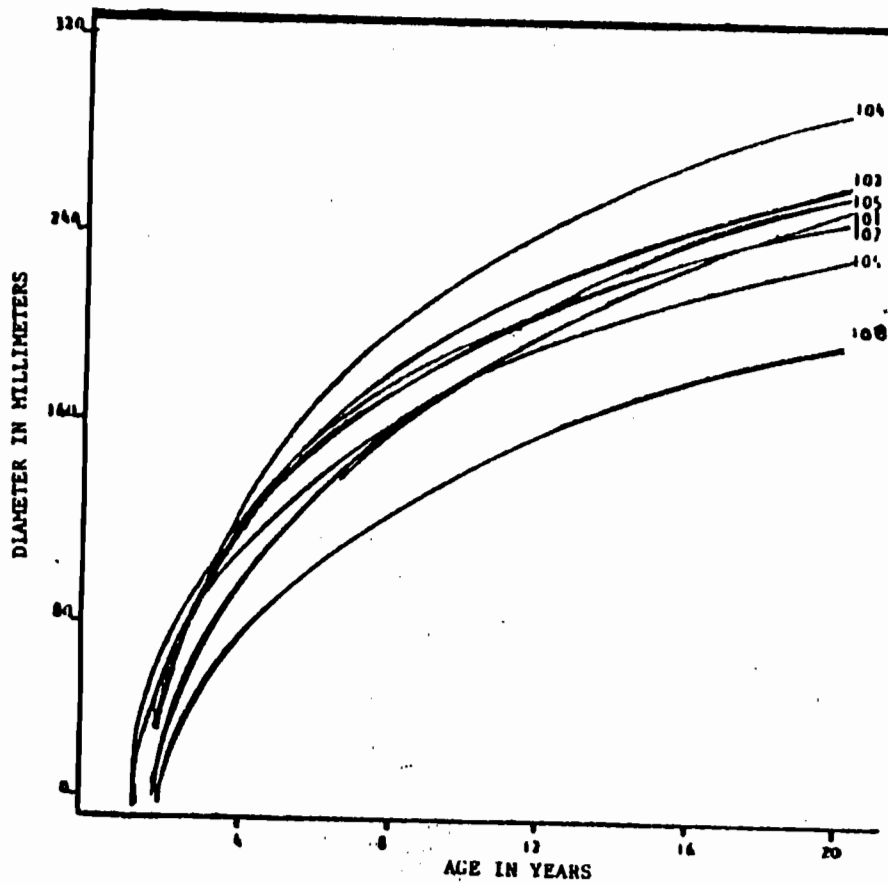


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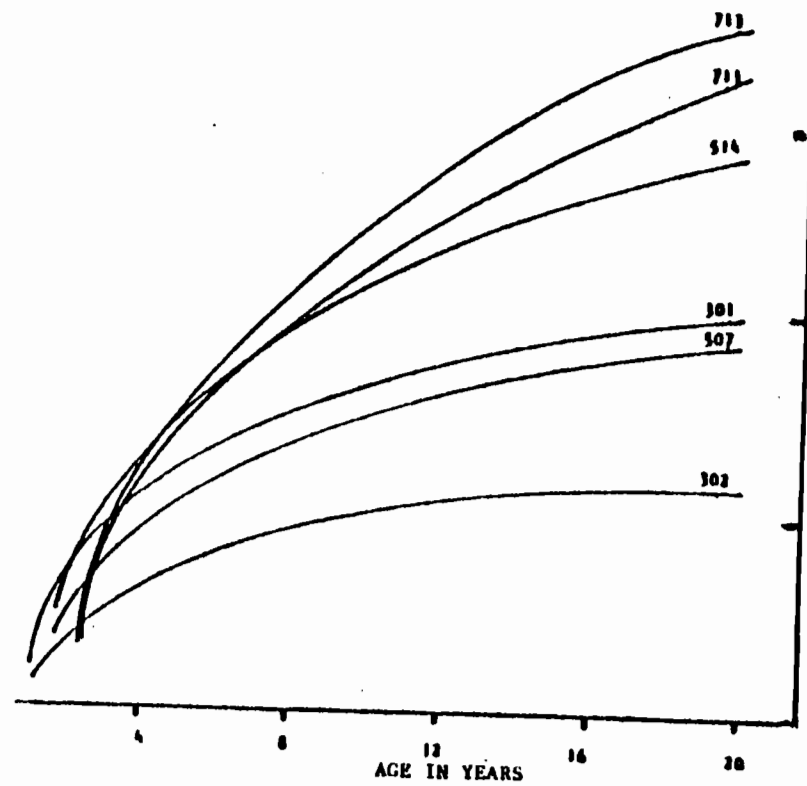


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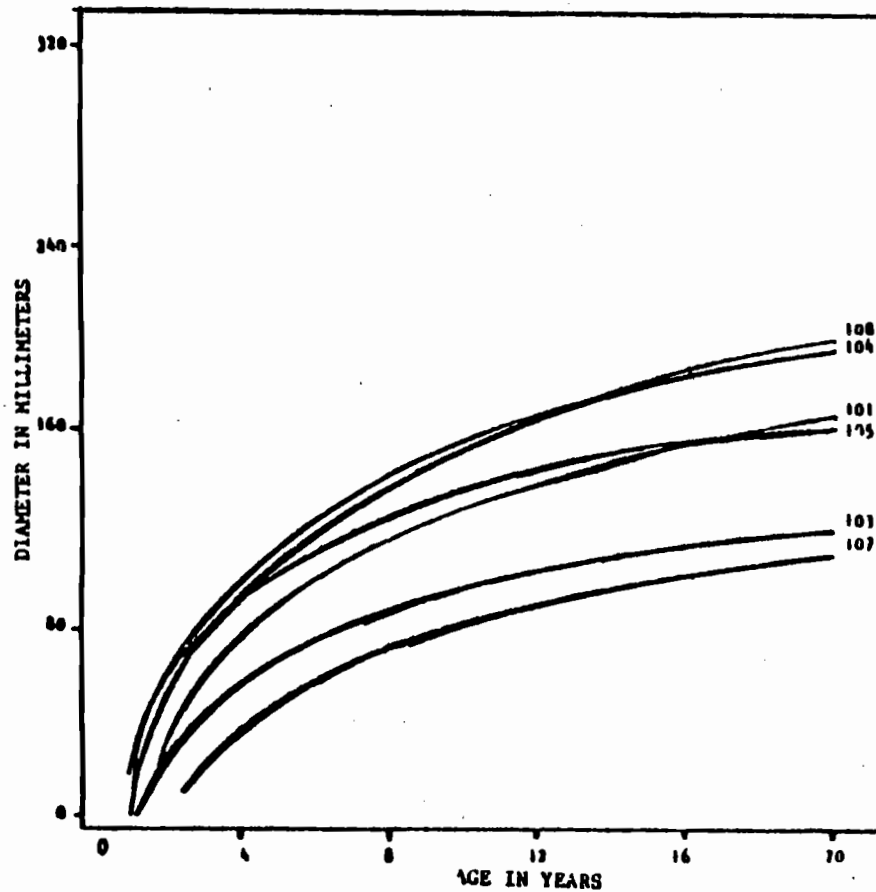


Fig. 10. Initial 10 years growth curves for different *Tectona grandis* study sites in zone 1 of Costa Rica. Individual curve (number above the curve) is based on the mean of the 81 trees measured per plot.

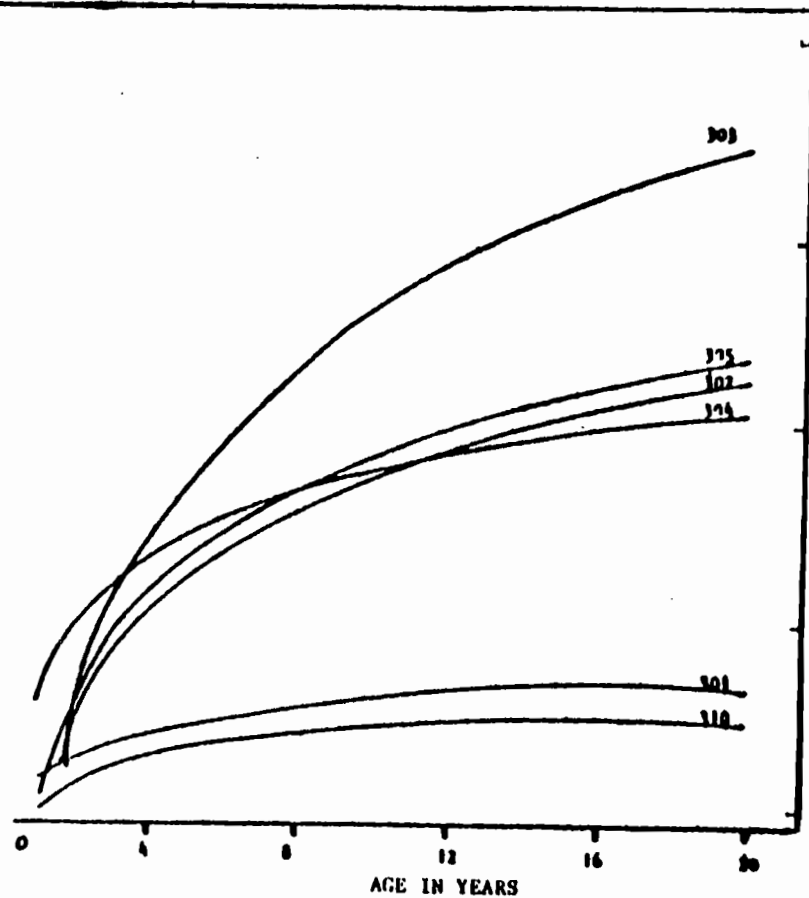


Fig. 11. Initial 10 years growth curves for different *Tectona grandis* study sites in zone 3 of Costa Rica. Individual curve (number above the curve) is based on the mean of the 81 trees measured per plot.