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COURTESY OF INTSORMIL

The International Sorghum and Millet Collaborative Research Support Program (INTSORMIL) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln recently received a \$1.1 million grant to work with Central American countries to increase sorghum foliage.

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WHAT IS SORGHUM?

Sorghum is a cereal crop raised in warmer climates. It is the second major cereal crop in Central America and used for food and animal fodder. The foliage, which grows on the stalk of the plant, is used to feed cattle.

PARTNER COUNTRIES

In South America, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Panama and Costa Rica, in the Caribbean, Haiti.

THE STUDY

The study will focus on certain lines developed that will increase the digestibility of sorghum for grazing animals. Each country will first several varieties of seeds. In the three year study, the seeds will be tested for the first two years. In the third year, each country will provide seeds to small-scale farmers, who will be allowed to save the seeds for future seasons.

INTSORMIL

INTSORMIL is a collaborative research support program concerned about increasing food security, enhancing farm income and improving economy activity in sorghum and millet-producing countries in Africa and Central Africa. INTSORMIL management has been based at UNL for 25 years.