

### **Trials of Italian Birdsfoot Trefoil**

The following is reported by Desmond D. Dolan in the January 20, 1984, newsletter issued by the Northeast Regional Plant Introduction Station, N. Y. Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva., N. Y. 14456: Dr. Richard R. Smith (Department of Agronomy, University of Wisconsin, 1575 Linden Drive, Madison, Wisconsin 53706) sent me a table of evaluation notes on trefoil accessions procured from Italy and sib-pollinated seed that he procured during the 1982 growing season. The table has the following columns of descriptors: collection number, altitude and meters at which collected, days to flowering in 1982, leafhopper damage, flower color on June 9, yield in g/plot on two different cutting dates, regrowth observed on Aug. 23 and final stand in % of original stand. The Italian cultivars tested were named Polcanto, San Marino, Colli di Bettona, Agello, San Archangelo, Migiaiolo, A.S. Salvatore, Ancona, Macerata, Canetra, Roseto and L'Aquila. These were compared with three standard cultivars: Carroll, Norsen and Maitland. We have requested from the Chief Plant Introduction Office that plant introduction numbers be assigned to these trefoils. Dr. Smith sent seed samples of these accessions from Italy to Dr. Paul Beuselinck at Missouri.