

 <b>CDM: Response form for request for clarification on Approved Methodologies (version 01.1)</b>	
<i>Date of A/R Working Group meeting:</i>	A/R Working Group 33 22 –24 August 2011
<i>Title and number of request for clarification</i>	AR_AM_CLA_0015: Use of different predictors in allometric equations than the dbh
<b><u>Summary of the query:</u></b> Please use the space below to summarize the request for clarification on the related approved methodologies.	
<p>We would like to have clarity whether an allometric equation based on the basal diameter that the most precise method available in the project region can be accepted for estimation of total stem volume while the methodology requires the measurement of the dbh.</p> <p>Does the application of the basal diameter allometric equation require a request for deviation from the methodology even though the applied method is the most precise available for that specific region? Or would a DOE assessment be sufficient?</p> <p>A possible amendment or clarification to A/R methodologies could be that basal or collar diameter measurement could be used in place of dbh, depending on the availability of local allometric equation or BEF.</p>	
<b><u>Recommendation by the A/R Working Group:</u></b> Please use the space below to provide amendments/changes (in your expert view, if necessary).	
<p>The A/R WG agreed to provide the following clarification:</p> <p>The project participants may use basal diameter, or root collar diameter, instead of diameter at breast height if species-specific or group-of-species-specific allometric equations based on these measurements are available in the national forest inventory or peer-reviewed scientific publications, provided that these equations relate to site conditions similar to the site conditions of the project area.</p> <p>This clarification applies to all approved A/R CDM methodologies.</p>	
<b><u>Answer to authors of the request for clarification by the A/R Working Group :</u></b> Please use the space below to provide an answer to the authors of the above query	
<p>Please refer to paragraph 11 of the meeting report of the A/R WG 33  <a href="http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ar">http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ar</a>.</p>	

Signed by the Chair, Ms. Diana Harutyunyan

Date: 24/08/2011

Signed by the Vice-Chair, Daniel V. Ortega-Pacheco

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