

Species developed by DEEDI from a line originally collected in Libya.

Key features:

- early flowering, self-regenerating annual forage legume with distinctive flattened, buttonshaped pods
- Ideal legume to complement tropical grass based pastures.
- Producer of larger quantities of seed than barrel medics in dry and marginal environments.
- Well adapted to low rainfall and marginal environments
- Adapted to heavy and loamy textured alkaline soils in QLD and north-western NSW, and alkaline sandy and loamy soils in southern Australia
- Semi-prostrate in habit, and flowers and sets seed readily under grazing

High seed producer - grazing does not diminish its seed production, which can occur with other medic varieties.

Button medic will be useful when sown with other medics currently available to provide resilience in pastoral and crop/pasture systems.