Several previously studies on phylogenetic inference for Myrteae have been published by the MPE, and this one represents a breakthrough in the sense that have brought collaboration among researchers working in xx institutions in four countries (including the mega diverse Brazil and Colombia) as a first step in the Neotropical Myrtaceae group – a collaborative group that will continue to develop increments to this and other questions involving this important tropical group. Model groups in ecology and evolution are usually lineages restricted with temperate distribution, where historically most of the research funding has been applied. By providing a densely sampled phylogeny of a tropical group, we open venues for studies in the most diverse area in the globe – the Neotropics.