



To the Secretary of the International Treaty
On Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
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Subject: notification regarding the contribution of the Nordic Genetic Centre to the Multilateral System

The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Treaty) has established a Multilateral System for Access and Benefit-sharing.

Regarding the coverage of the Multilateral System, Article 11 specifies that the Multilateral System shall include all plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex 1* that are under the management and control of the Contracting Parties and in the public domain, and that Contracting Parties invite other holders of the plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex 1* to include these in the Multilateral System.

Herewith, the Nordic Genetic Resource wishes to notify to you that the following plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in Annex 1 and maintained in Nordic Genetic Resource have been included in the Multilateral System.

The publicly available collections held by Nordic Genetic Resource, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden, located in Alnarp, Sweden (see Appendix 1 to this letter).

Through the website www.nordgen.org detailed data on the composition of the collection and user procedures to order samples are readily available

Germplasm held in the collections listed above is available to users under the conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture since 1st of October 2008.

Kind regards,


Jessica Kathle,

Director

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Appendix 1

Number of accessions in NordGen collection listed in Annex 1 of ITPGRFAO

Genus/species	Number of accessions
<i>Agropyron cristatum</i>	2
<i>Alopecurus pratensis</i>	77
<i>Arrhenatherum elatius</i>	1
<i>Asparagus</i> ssp.	10
<i>Avena</i> ssp.	726
<i>Beta</i> ssp.	182
<i>Brassica</i> ssp.	825
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	422
<i>Ducus carota</i>	152
<i>Elymus</i> ssp.	273
<i>Festuca</i> ssp. (<i>arundinacea, ovina, pratensis, rubra</i>)	792
<i>Helianthus</i> ssp.	56
<i>Hordeum</i> ssp.	13526
<i>Lens culinaris</i>	3
<i>Lolium</i> ssp. (<i>hybridum, multiflorum, perenne, temulentum</i>)	248
<i>Lupinus (angustifolius, luteus)</i>	3
<i>Malus</i> ssp.	130
<i>Medicago</i> ssp. (<i>falcata, sativa, scutellata</i>)	39
<i>Melilotus</i> ssp. (<i>albus, officinalis</i>)	3
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	168
<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>	77
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	685
<i>Pisum</i> ssp.	2798
<i>Poa</i> ssp. (<i>alpina, pratensis</i>)	523
<i>Secale</i> ssp.	382
<i>Solanum</i> ssp.	89
<i>Trifolium</i> ssp. (<i>alexandrinum, hybridum, incarnatum, pratense, repens, resupinatum</i>)	804
<i>Triticum</i> ssp.	1574
<i>Vicia</i> ssp.	117
x <i>Triticosecale</i>	19
<i>Zea mays</i>	7
Total number of accessions	24713