French *Lathyrus* Collection: FRAIBEAS

1. Introduction

The Conservatoire botanique national des Pyrénées et de Midi-Pyrénées maintains a collection of *Lathyrus* species documented in a collection inventory.

The collection includes grasspea (*Lathyrus sativus*) and several other *Lathyrus* species, including material collected from wild populations.

This collection represents a valuable resource for researchers interested in the diversity, conservation and use of *Lathyrus* genetic resources.

2. Grasspea Accessions in the Collection

According to the inventory, the collection database records 2,389 L. *sativus* accessions, of which 1,763 are reported as conserved in FRAIBEAS.

The wider inventory also includes accessions of other *Lathyrus* species, including material collected in natural environments.

The following table summarises the information reported in the collection inventory.

Summary of the FRAIBEAS Collection

Species	Accessions registered in database	Conserved in FRAIBEAS	Collected in natural environment	Collected in MN in France	French-origin accessions conserved in FRAIBEAS
L. *sativus*	2,389	1,763	467	32	510
L. *cicera*	790	272	119	1	3
L. *heterophyllus*	80	79	67	63	72
L. *latifolius*	341	329	201	150	270
L. *sylvestris*	700	689	340	238	492
L. *tuberosus*	240	233	53	32	105
TOTAL	**4,540**	**3,365**	**1,247**	**516**	**1,452**

MN = Milieu naturel (natural environment). Figures are reproduced from the collection inventory.

3. How to Enquire About the Collection

As detailed seed-bank information is not available through an online accession request system, researchers interested in the collection should contact the collection manager directly.

The following steps are recommended:

Step 1. Define your research interest

Identify the species, traits or geographic origins relevant to your research.

Step 2. Contact the collection manager

Contact Laurent Bourgne to enquire about accession-level information and material relevant to your research.

Step 3. Confirm availability

Ask about seed availability, quantities, request procedures and any applicable documentation.

Step 4. Arrange material transfer

Confirm material-transfer requirements, phytosanitary documentation, import permits and shipping arrangements directly with the collection holder.

4. Collection Contact

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5. Access and Distribution

The availability of individual accessions, quantities supplied, documentation requirements and delivery conditions must be confirmed directly with the collection holder.

International seed transfers may be subject to material-transfer agreements, national regulations and phytosanitary requirements.

Collection Reference

Inventaire et évaluation de la collection de gesses (Lathyrus spp.) FRAIBEAS conservée au Conservatoire botanique national des Pyrénées et de Midi-Pyrénées.