Botanical Collections of Belarus on the Internet (preliminary report)

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Botanical Collections provide permanent, full and truthful information about the diversity of plants. They are instrumental in botanical research, and they are also tremendously important for scientific progress in agronomy, agriculture, forestry, public health research, economic botany, ecology, environment protection, biogeography, plants evolution research.

In 1998-2000 Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment Protection of the Republic of Belarus and Central Botanical Garden of Belarus National Academy of Sciences jointly registered some national botanical collections. The results of the co-operative work will be made available on the Internet at http://hbc.bas-net.by/bcb in June, 2001. 31 herbariums, 92 collections of the living plants, 6 aseptic cultures of tissues of the decorative and fruit plants and 10'000 items from them will be listed. -