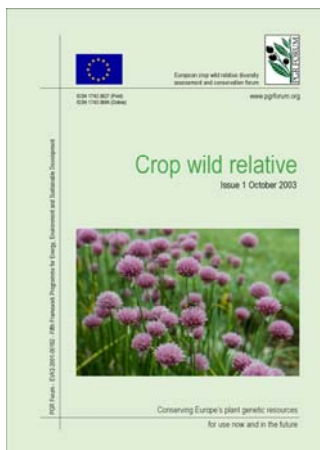


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## Publication background

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*Crop Wild Relative* provides a medium to publicise information about the conservation and use of wild relatives of crop plants, including updates on the activities of PGR Forum. It is anticipated that anyone with an interest in crop wild relatives, whether conservationist, breeder, taxonomist, policy-maker or educator will benefit from this publication, both by spreading news about their activities and by learning about other initiatives.

*Crop Wild Relative* Issues are available for download at: <http://www.pgrforum.org/publications.htm> (ISSN 1742-3694). Hard copies are currently circulated to a readership in excess of 1000, and are available on request from the editors ([s.p.kell@bham.ac.uk](mailto:s.p.kell@bham.ac.uk)) (ISSN 1742-3627). Issue 1 provides information about the aims and objectives of PGR Forum, explaining the rationale for the initiation of the project. It serves to highlight the importance of crop wild relatives as vital ecosystem components, as a source of nutrition from the wild, for their medicinal and cultural values, as well as a critical resource for the improvement of crops.

While the focus of PGR Forum is on the conservation of crop wild relatives in Europe, it is expected that the content of *Crop Wild Relative* will not be limited to the region. Common experiences can be shared and similar lessons learned, whether the focus of the research or news item is a taxon of socio-economic importance in Europe or elsewhere in the world. It is foreseen that this publication will continue to be produced beyond the end date of PGR Forum (December 2005).

## Guidelines

### 1. Scope

Articles and/or items related to the conservation and use of wild relatives of plants of socio-economic importance, including those directly harvested from the wild. The desired emphasis is on *in situ* and/or complementary conservation; for example, topics may include or encompass various aspects of *in situ* data management, population management and monitoring (demographic and genetic), genetic erosion and pollution, threat and conservation assessment, gap analysis, priority taxa for conservation, evaluation of *in situ* populations for crop improvement etc.

### 2. Types of submission

- Short items or longer articles (maximum 2500 words).
- Notification of relevant events and new publications.
- Summaries of relevant meetings or conferences.

### 3. Style

*Crop Wild Relative* is a scientific publication but should also be available to the wider (non-scientific) community. Articles should therefore be written in a less formal style than expected for a peer-reviewed scientific journal.

### 4. Text

- Ensure each figure and table is cited in the text.
- Ensure all references cited in the text are included in Literature Cited, and that references included in Literature Cited are cited in the text.
- Italicise Latin words such as *et al.*, *in situ*, *ex situ*, *sensu lato* etc.
- Italicise Latin plant names at the generic level and below.
- Use singular form for citing figures, even if several are cited e.g. (Fig. 1,3) or (Fig. 4-6). Note that Fig. has a capital 'F' and that there is no 's' when more than one figure is referenced.
- Write out 'Figure' only at the beginning of a sentence.

- Abbreviate hours to hr, minutes to min, metre to m, centimetre to cm, millimetre to mm, foot-candles to ft-c, diameter to diam when used as a measurement; do not use full-stops after abbreviations.
- Use metric measurements throughout, unless imperial measurements are clearly more appropriate, in which case the metric measurement should be given in parentheses.
- Leave a space before %, micro-, M (molarity), and N (normality) symbols.
- Do not use degree sign for temperature; use e.g., 37 C.
- Statistical terms and other measures should conform to the Council of Biology Editors style manual (CBE Style Manual).
- Within parentheses, use a semi-colon between types of citations e.g. (Fig. 4; Table 2) or (Jones, 1950; Smith and Doe, 1967, 1968).
- Within parentheses, use commas rather than connecting words for a series, as: (Smith, 1952, 1959, 1962; Jones, 1962, 1965). Several references in a series within parentheses should be arranged chronologically (beginning with the earliest date) and then alphabetically for a given year.
- Do not use the symbol “&”, write “and”.
- Avoid the use of acronyms, but if used, give the name in full in parentheses after the first citation.
- Use standard black bullets.

## 5. Citations

- 2 authors: Heywood and Firat (1999) or (Heywood and Firat, 1999).
- 3 authors: Safriel, Anikster and Valdman (1997) or (Safriel, Anikster and Valdman, 1997).
- 4 authors or more: Lefèvre *et al.* (2001) or (Lefèvre *et al.*, 2001)
- In press: (Iriondo, in press) or Iriondo (in press).
- Unpublished material may be cited but is not included in the Literature Cited. For example: (B. Laliberté, unpublished) or (T. Hodgkin, pers. comm.)
- Ensure all citations are included in Literature Cited.

## 6. Literature cited

- In alphabetical order, then chronologically within the alphabet. For example, Heywood, V.H. 2003 comes before Heywood, V.H. and E. Firat 1999.
- List the first author by second name, followed by initials; second and other authors should be listed with initials first.
- There should be a full-stop and a space after each initial of an author's name.
- Use long dash for immediately repeated names.
- Citations designated as “in press” must have been accepted for publication and the name of the journal included.
- Do not put dates in parentheses. Put a full-stop after the date.
- Journal names should be written in full, not abbreviated. There is no full-stop between the journal name and volume number. The volume number should be given in bold type.
- After the colon following the volume number, there should be a space, followed by the page numbers. For example: *Forest Genetic Resources* **24**: 2-7.
- Only italicise Latin names and words in Literature Cited. Do not italicise journal or book titles.
- Ensure all references in Literature Cited are cited in the text.

### Examples of literature cited

Heywood, V. 2003. Conservation and sustainable use of wild species as sources of new ornamentals. In: Düzyaman, E. & Tüzel, Y. (eds), *Proceedings of the International Symposium on Sustainable Use of Plant Biodiversity to Promote New Opportunities for Horticultural Production Development*, *Acta Horticulturae* Number **598**: 43–53.

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Lefèvre, F., N. Barsoum, B. Heinze, D. Kajba, P. Rotach, S.M.G. de Vries and J. Turok 2001. EUFORGEN Technical Bulletin: *In situ* conservation of *Populus nigra*. International Plant Genetic Resources Institute, Rome, Italy.

Safriel, U.N., Y. Anikster, and M. Valdman 1997. Management of nature reserves for conservation of wild relatives and the significance of marginal populations. *Boccone* 7: 233-239.

#### 7. Tables

- Insert tables into text. Ensure that each table is cited at least once in the text.
- Number in Arabic numerals, followed immediately by the title, flush left, in lower case, with no full-stop at the end.
- Avoid the use of footnotes in tables.

#### 8. Figures

- All figures, whether plates, computer-generated graphics or line drawings must be of good quality and capable of some size reduction.
- Keep file size as small as possible without compromising on quality.
- Provide figures as separate files.
- Number consecutively according to their appearance in the text.
- Ensure that each figure is cited at least once in the text. Explain abbreviations that appear on the figure.

#### 9. Headings

- Include an introduction and discussion/conclusions or recommendations, with other headings as appropriate.

#### 10. How to submit

- By email attachment, on CD or 3.5" diskette.
- Submit text files separately from figures.
- Digital or ready-scanned images are preferred. If necessary, please only send photos and slides of very high quality.
- Longer articles will be reviewed by appropriate experts before publication.
- Proofs will be sent to authors after review by the editors.

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