

Progress on selecting and flagging of accessions for the European Collection (AEGIS)

United Kingdom

Progress status

Progress status	Yes	No
Not initiated the selection process	Yes	
Gene bank/collection holder has recommended accessions for the inclusion into the European Collection	Yes	
Candidate accessions approved by the National coordinator	???	
Candidate accessions flagged in the gene banks/collection holders data base	Yes	
Accessions flagged in EURISCO	Yes	

Approach that has been used/will be used for selection of candidate accessions

- All accessions collected by the Institute (Aberystwyth University) for which we have seed.
- All varieties which were bred by the Institute for which we have seed.
- Not all accessions have duplicate or long term samples (particularly legumes) – these will now be prioritised.

Number of Accessions

Genus	Total in EURISCO	Suggested by genbank manager/collection holder	Approved by National Coordinator	Flagged in EURISCO
Lolium	4282	1115	-	1115
Dactylis	1099	226	-	226
Festuca	1598	364	-	364
Poa	160	23	-	23
Phleum	137	9	-	9
Trifolium	5468	642	-	642
Medicago	917	6	-	6
Vigna	0	0	-	0
Total number	13661	2385	-	2385

Main obstacles for AEGIS flagging

- Unwillingness to commit due to lack of certainty as to whether resources will be available for future regeneration.

Future plans

- Need to check that candidate AEGIS accessions are in duplicate and long term storage and have adequate germination and seed amounts (legumes).