

Report of a *Lactuca* collecting expedition in Armenia and Azerbaijan

Itinerary, collected material and data

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Picture front page: *Lactuca georgica* growing alongside a cereal field in NE Azerbaijan (FGK 227)

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Foreword

The mission of the Centre for Genetic Resources, the Netherlands (CGN) is to contribute to the conservation, development and sustainable use of plant, animal and forest genetic resources, and hence to global food security, a more sustainable production, rural development, and the conservation of cultural heritage.

To that end, CGN currently holds collections of over 20 crops and a total number of accessions of more than 22,500 of interest to the Dutch breeding sector and other users.

To contribute to an effective global system of *ex situ* collections, for each of its collections CGN has analysed the coverage of the crop genepool by the germplasm in its own collection and those of others. In a number of cases, CGN has been able to identify gaps in the total set of collections of a specific crop. Some genetic diversity that is known or can be assumed to exist, appeared poorly represented or even absent from the genebank collections. Such cases warrant new collecting missions, if we wish to conserve as wide a diversity for the crop genepool as possible.

The wild relatives of *Lactuca* form such a case. Therefore in 2013 CGN carried out collecting missions in Armenia and Azerbaijan, in close collaboration with its local counterparts. The present report provides details of the results these collecting missions. Dutch breeding companies sponsored the mission, a fact that is duly recognized and appreciated.

During the mission 115 seed samples from 97 sites were collected. Upon regeneration, the samples will be made available under the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement of the International Treaty.

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1. Introduction

Collecting wild relatives of lettuce (*Lactuca sativa* L.), and especially *Lactuca* species endemic to the Trans Caucasus, was the aim of this expedition, which made this expedition a single crop expedition. In the international *Lactuca* database (<http://documents.plant.wur.nl/cgn/pgr/ildb/>) 11697 *Lactuca* accessions are present including 10225 accessions of *L. sativa*. Of the remaining 1472 accessions, the wild relatives with the highest numbers of accessions are *Lactuca serriola*, *L. virosa* and *L. saligna* with 993, 141 and 121 accessions respectively. These species belong to genepool I or II (Table 1; Harlan & de Wet 1971). The other wild relatives from genepool I and II are present with only a few accessions. However wild relatives of lettuce are becoming increasingly important for the breeding of new lettuce varieties (Lebeda *et al.* 2014, Van Treuren *et al.* 2013).

| <i>Lactuca</i> species | genepool | # of accessions present in the ILBD | distribution area | present in the Trans Caucasus |
|------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| <i>sativa</i> | I | 10225 | cultivated worldwide | x |
| <i>serriola</i> | I | 993 | W Eurasian | x |
| <i>aculeata</i> | I | 2 | Near East | x |
| <i>altaica</i> | I | 7 | W Asia - Caucasus | x |
| <i>azerbaijanica</i> | I | 0 | NW Iran | x |
| <i>georgica</i> | I | 1 | Trans Caucasus | x |
| <i>scarioloides</i> | I | 0 | Near East | x |
| <i>dregeana</i> | I | 4 | South Africa | x |
| <i>saligna</i> | II | 121 | W Europe - Caucasus | x |
| <i>virosa</i> | II | 141 | SW Europe - N Africa - W Asia | x |
| <i>quericina</i> | III | 4 | SW Europe - Caucasus | x |
| <i>tatarica</i> | III | 8 | Continental Europe - C Asia - N America | x |
| <i>sibirica</i> | III | 1 | N Europe - N Asia - N America | |
| <i>viminea</i> | III | 20 | Europe - N Africa - Near East - C Asia | x |

Table 1. Overview of *Lactuca* species occurring in various genepools of *L. sativa*, the number of accessions present in the International *Lactuca* DataBase (ILDB; <http://documents.plant.wur.nl/cgn/pgr/ildb/>), their distribution area and their presence in the Trans Caucasus (based partly on Lebeda *et al.* 2004 and van Treuren *et al.* 2012).

The countries in the Trans Caucasus have not been sampled to a large extent as can be seen in Figure 1. Based on the fact that many *Lactuca* species from genepool I (except *L. serriola*) are present with limited numbers in *ex situ* genebanks worldwide and that these species can be found in the Trans Caucasus (Table 1), was the rationale to carry out the present collecting expedition.

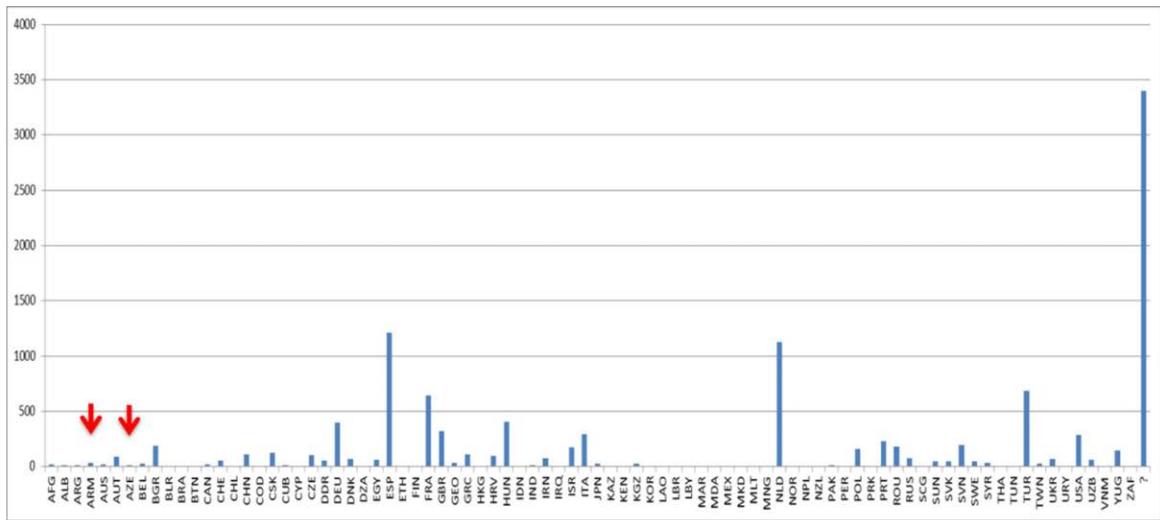


Figure 1. The number of *Lactuca* accessions present in ex situ genebanks worldwide based on the ILDB; red arrows indicate Armenia and Azerbaijan.

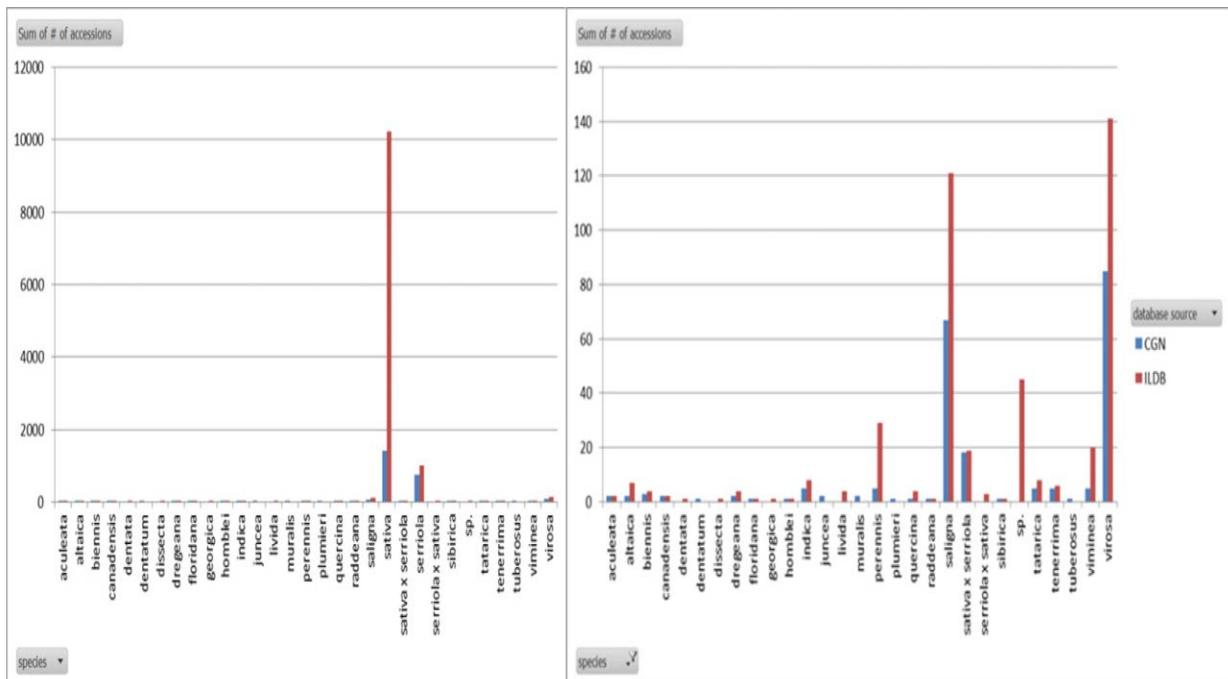


Figure 2. A comparison per *Lactuca* species of the number of accessions present in collections worldwide compared to the CGN collection. The left figure includes all *Lactuca* species and the right figure includes all species except *L. sativa* and *L. serriola* (data source: ILDB).

The *Lactuca* collection of CGN is the largest worldwide with 2392 available accessions currently present. In Figure 2 a comparison is given of the content of the CGN *Lactuca* collection versus the worldwide *Lactuca* collection as presented in the ILDB. In the left part of the figure all species are included and in the right part of the figure the data for

L. sativa and *L. serriola* are excluded which allows for a better comparison of the accessions present in the CGN collection and the worldwide collections.

In ten previously carried out collecting expeditions by CGN also *Lactuca* was collected. In 1990 and 1991 also *Lactuca* collecting took place in the Trans Caucasus by L. Frese, this involved *L. serriola* and *L. saligna* (Table 2).

| year | country | collector | sativa | saligna | serriola | viminea | virosa | aculeata | juncea | spp | total |
|------|----------------------|-----------|--------|---------|----------|---------|--------|----------|--------|-----|-------|
| 1976 | Israel | Roelofsen | | 22 | 97 | | | 1 | 1 | | 121 |
| 1985 | Egypt | vd Meer | 9 | | | | | | | | 9 |
| 1986 | Egypt | vd Meer | 13 | | | | | | | | 13 |
| 1989 | Bulgaria | Boukema | | | 4 | | | | | | 4 |
| 1990 | Turkey | de Meijer | | 3 | 15 | | | | | 3 | 21 |
| 1990 | Armenia/Dagestan | Frese | | | 10 | 1 | 10 | | | | 21 |
| 1991 | Dagestan/Georgia | Frese | | 4 | 27 | | | | | | 31 |
| 1994 | Italy | Frese | 9 | 1 | 11 | | | | | | 21 |
| 1997 | Uzbekistan | v Soest | | | 57 | | | | | | 57 |
| 1999 | Uzbekistan/Kyrgistan | v Soest | | | 23 | | | | | | 23 |
| | | total | | 31 | 30 | 244 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 321 |

Table 2. Previous collecting expeditions carried out by CGN in which also *Lactuca* species were sampled.

In 2013 a Memorandum of Understanding adopting the standard Material Transfer Agreement (sMTA) of the Internal Treaty for Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (IT-PGRFA), as a basis for distribution, was signed between CGN and the national authorities on access and benefit sharing in Armenia and Azerbaijan (Appendix 1). This document formed the legal basis of the expedition.

2. Objectives of the expedition

There were two major aims of this single crop expedition namely:

1. to broaden the *Lactuca* collection of CGN by collecting *Lactuca* and its wild relatives for breeding and research purposes, and
2. to contribute to the international need for the conservation of PGR.

3. Members of the collecting team

Collecting took place in Azerbaijan and Armenia, therefore there were two collecting teams namely:

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4. Exploration area and expedition period

For the collecting expedition in Azerbaijan, Baku was chosen as the main basis for the expedition, whereas in Goycay, Ganca, Calilabad and Imisli 1-2 nights were spent. In Armenia, Jerevan was the main basis for exploration with Goris as a minor basis for exploration. For the field work in Azerbaijan a Lada 2017 was used and in Armenia a Lexus IS30005 and a Mitsubishi Pajero. In both Armenia and Azerbaijan mostly one of the collecting team members drove the car. Temperatures during daytime in both countries varied between 25-35 °C throughout the collecting period.

The sampling period of the collecting expedition was carried out from July 8 to August 8 and collecting took place in Azerbaijan from July 8 – July 20 and in Armenia from July 21 to August 8. Collecting started in Azerbaijan, because most of the country lies on a much lower elevation compared to Armenia. Consequently plant development in

Azerbaijan is around 2 weeks ahead of Armenia. In the collecting periods in both countries still unripe seeds were encountered in several locations, but mostly just ripened seeds and mature seeds could be collected. The duration of the collecting trip in both countries proved to be sufficient, although in hindsight a collecting trip in the north part of Azerbaijan (Caucasus area) in order to collect more *L. georgica* and *L. altaica* and a more elaborate search for *L. aculeata* in Armenia would also have been also interesting.



Figure 3. Map of the collecting area in Armenia and Azerbaijan with the *Lactuca* collecting sites indicated; red: *L. serriola*, red with dot: *L. altaica*, blue: *L. georgica*; green: *L. saligna*, white: *L. quercina*, yellow: *L. sativa*, turquoise: *L. tatarica* (see also Appendix 3).

5. Data collecting, sampling procedure and seed cleaning

A field collecting form based upon a modified multi-crop passport descriptor list (MCPD) was used to document the passport data of the accessions sampled (Appendix 3). All sampled material received a so-called collecting number, in this case MGTKxxx and FGKxxx for the samples collected in Armenia and Azerbaijan respectively (MGTKxx: Melyan-Gabrielyan-Tonoyan-Kik followed by a number and FGKxx: Farzaliyev-Guliyev-Kik followed by a number). Latitude, longitude and altitude were determined via GPS

(Garmin, eTrex series Venture HC) with an inaccuracy of 1-5 meters. Latitude and longitude were recorded using as map datum WGS84 and position format hddd°mm.mmmm. Pictures were taken of all collecting sites and occasionally a video was made. All accession data collected are presented in Appendix 4.

As a rule of thumb before starting to collect at a location at least ten individual plants needed to be observed at first glance. The area explored per accession varied from ca. 0.1-1 ha. Seeds of a plant were collected in a 20 x 50 cm² glassine bag by putting the bag over (part of) the inflorescence of the plant with visible achenes, bending the top of the plants downwards and subsequently shaking the bag in order to release the achenes (Photo 1 and 2).



Photo 1. Mature *L. serriola* plant with visible achenes (FGK 204)



*Photo 2. Collecting *L. serriola* (FGK 218) by N. Guliyev.*

If the achenes were not visible from the outside, so when they are still surrounded by an involucre of bracts, it was checked if the seed was already dark coloured and if this was the case then the inflorescences were broken off the plant and put in a bag. During the expedition the glassine bags were mostly kept in a cupboard in a hotel room under ambient room conditions.

Upon arrival at CGN the seeds were transferred to a conditioned storage room with a temperature of 15 °C and 15% relative humidity.

6. Results and discussion

6.1 Pre-expedition 2012

A pre-expedition was carried out in Armenia and Azerbaijan in 2012, the year prior to the actual collecting mission. This approach was followed as on the basis of such a pre-expedition the chances of success of the actual expedition can be better determined and furthermore that the actual collecting expedition could be performed efficiently.

The pre-expedition in Azerbaijan was carried out by V. Farzaliyev and N. Guliyev and in Armenia by G. Melyan and I. Gabrielyan. In Table 2 the results of the pre-expedition in Armenia and Azerbaijan are presented. Given the results obtained it was concluded that a collecting expedition could be carried out successfully.

Table 2. Results of the pre-expedition carried out in 2012 to identify *Lactuca* locations.

| country | aculeata | altaica | georgica | quercina ssp | | saligna | sativa | serriola | tatarica | virosa | ? | total | |
|------------|----------|---------|----------|--------------|--------------|---------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----|-------|-----|
| | | | | quercina | wilhelmsiana | | | | | | | | |
| Armenia | | 1 | 0 | 17 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 68 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 110 |
| Azerbaijan | | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 0 | 35 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 82 |
| total | | 1 | 2 | 17 | 3 | 5 | 39 | 1 | 103 | 6 | 10 | 5 | 192 |

6.2 Collecting expedition 2013

In total 115 *Lactuca* populations originating from 97 sites were collected during the expedition (Table 3). In Armenia slightly more populations were collected. The number of species and especially the number of populations collected per species differed between both countries. In Armenia seven species were collected whereas in Azerbaijan four species. Furthermore in Azerbaijan predominantly *L. serriola* was collected and in Armenia *L. georgica*. The latter difference was also due to the fact that collecting in Armenia was more focussed on *L. georgica* based on the results of the pre-expedition, although in this country also large numbers of *L. serriola* populations were present. However these were not sampled as already a large number of *L. serriola* populations were sampled in Azerbaijan.

Table 3. The number of *Lactuca* populations from which seeds were collected during the collecting expedition carried out in 2013 in Armenia and Azerbaijan.

| country | altaica | georgica | quercina ssp | | saligna | sativa | serriola | tatarica | total |
|------------|---------|----------|--------------|--------------|---------|--------|----------|----------|-------|
| | | | quercina | wilhelmsiana | | | | | |
| Armenia | 0 | 34 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 3 | 65 |
| Azerbaijan | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 40 | 0 | 50 |
| total | 2 | 37 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 57 | 3 | 115 |

6.2.1. Crop wild relatives of lettuce

a. *Lactuca altaica*

At two locations (FGK 224 and 226) *Lactuca* plants were found that had the inflorescence shape of *L. serriola* and the leaf morphology of *L. saligna*. The populations were located in NE Azerbaijan. FGK 224 was found along a steep road talus and FGK 226 in a riverbed. As the phenotype of the plants resembled the

description of *L. altaica* (saligna type leaves and serriola type inflorescence) and fell into the reported distribution area of *L. altaica* (Zohary 1991), we tentatively identified these plants as *L. altaica*.



Photo 3. Overview of collecting site FGK 226.



Photo 4. A putative *L. altaica* plant which is found in the neighbourhood of Qaracay, Azerbaijan (FGK 226).

b. *Lactuca georgica*

L. georgica is an endemic species of the Trans Caucasus (Zohary 1991). The species belongs to genepool I of *L. sativa* and one would expect to find many accessions of this species in genebanks worldwide as many genes from CWR of lettuce have been used for breeding of new cultivars (Lebeda et al 2007). Surprisingly however only a few accessions of this species are maintained in genebanks worldwide (see Fig 2). During the present expedition 34 accessions were collected in Armenia and three in Azerbaijan. The *L. georgica* populations collected were found both in open and closed vegetations (Photo 5 and 6) mostly along roadsides.



Photo 5. *L. georgica* growing in a closed vegetation (MGTK 233)



Photo 6. *L. georgica* growing in an open vegetation (MGTK 209)

Two different leaf shapes were observed in *L. georgica* populations (see Photo 7). On the basis of the pictures taken from the various populations, it was observed that in eight populations only the lacinate-dentate form was present, that in 18 populations only the runcinate-pinnatisect form was observed and that in three populations both forms were found. From the rest of the populations (n=8) the type of leaf could not be established on the basis of the pictures taken.



Photo 7. The two different leaf shapes of *L. georgica* observed: on top the runcinate-pinnatisect form and below the lacinate-dentate form.

L. georgica occurred mostly above 1000 m altitude, with the exception of population FGK 208, FGK 227, FGK 233 which were found in Azerbaijan and occurred on altitudes of 737, 342 and -19 meters. In their ecology *L. georgica* and *L. serriola* resemble each to a large extent as both of them prefer ruderal habitats. However *L. serriola* mostly occurs in ruderal habitats below 1000-1500 m and *L. georgica* above 1000-1500 m.

Table 4. Occurrence of *L. serriola* and *L. georgica* on different altitudes in the Trans Caucasus.

| species | <1000 m | 1000-1500 m | >1500 m | ? | total |
|--------------------|---------|-------------|---------|---|-------|
| <i>L. serriola</i> | 46 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 57 |
| <i>L. georgica</i> | 4 | 9 | 22 | 2 | 37 |
| total | 50 | 17 | 24 | 3 | 94 |

Both species can also be distinguished on the basis of their leaf colour as *L. serriola* has a more dark green leaf colour and *L. georgica* a more light green colour and on the colour of the seed as *L. serriola* has brown seed and *L. georgica* black seed.



Photo 8. Comparison of *L. serriola* (forma *serriola*; left) and *L. georgica* (forma *runcinate-pinnatisect*; right)

c. *Lactuca quercina*

Lactuca quercina is described as a woodland species (Lebeda *et al.* 2004) and this is certainly true for ssp. *quercina* (also known as *L. chaixii*) that we found in Armenia, but not for ssp. *wilhelmsiana*. Subspecies *wilhelmsiana* was found in closed vegetations but still with considerable influx of the sun; the subspecies is easily recognized by its slender pinnatisect leaves (see Photo 9). We found five locations in Armenia where the species occurred.



Photo 9. The two different leaf shapes belonging to the two different subspecies of *L. quercina*: left ssp. *wilhelmsiana* and right ssp. *quercina*.

Subspecies *quercina* (formerly known as *L. chaixii*) is a real woodland species but it occurs in locations where direct sunlight can occur during daytime. Subspecies *wilhelmsiana* can be easily recognized by its laciniate-dentate leaves (see Photo 8). We found the subspecies in four locations in Armenia.

Lebeda *et al.* (2004), citing Ferakova (1977), wrote that ssp. *quercina* is a relic species and occurs in Europa and that ssp. *quercina* is replaced by ssp. *wilhelmsiana* in the eastern and southern parts of its distribution (Anatolia and the Caucasus). However we found that in the Trans Caucasus both ssp. are present (Photo 10 and 11).



Photo 10. Mixed broadleaf oak forest where *L. quercina* ssp *quercina* was found (MGT 248).



Photo 11. Habitat where *L. quercina* ssp *wilhelmsiana* was found (MGT 215).

d. *Lactuca saligna*

The six *L. saligna* populations that were found occurred in open vegetations on sandy wastelands, in semi-closed grassland vegetations or along metalled roads, the latter habitat with almost no vegetation at all (Photo 12). Mostly only a few (less than 10-20 individuals) were found which co-occurred with other *Lactuca* species.



Photo 12. *L. saligna* population occurring along a metalled road (FGK 218).

e. *Lactuca serriola*

A large number of *L. serriola* populations (n= 59; ARM = 15 and AZE = 44) were found during the collecting mission both in Azerbaijan and Armenia. The species is a ruderal species and can be found in disturbed and open vegetations (Photo 13). It occurs mainly in altitudes below the 1000-1500 m (see also Table 4).



Photo 13. *L. serriola* population FGK 212 occurring along a road.

Two distinct leaf forms were observed in the populations sampled, namely the more runcinate-pinnatisect (*L. serriola* forma *serriola*; sensu Prince & Carter 1977) and the more laciniate-dentate (*L. serriola* forma *integrifolia*; sensu Prince & Carter 1977) leaf morphology (Photo 14).



Photo 14. The two leaf forms of *L. serriola*: on the left the laciniate-dentate leaf form and on the right the runcinate-pinnatisect form.

Forma *serriola* was always present the *L. serriola* populations sampled and now and then also forma *integrifolia* was observed amidst forma *serriola*. Populations with only forma *integrifolia* were not observed (Table 4).

Table 4. The frequency of occurrence of the two leaf forms of *L. serriola* in the populations sampled in Armenia and Azerbaijan.

| country | <i>serriola</i> | <i>integrifolia</i> | total |
|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------|
| Armenia | 10 | 7 | 17 |
| Azerbaijan | 30 | 10 | 40 |
| total | 40 | 17 | 57 |

The distribution of *L. serriola* forma *integrifolia* is poorly known (Lebeda *et al.* 2004) and as no literature is present on the existence of forma *integrifolia* from the Trans Caucasus, this is the first report on the existence of forma *integrifolia* in the Trans Caucasus.

f. *Lactuca tatarica*

This species belongs to genepool III of *L. sativa*. Therefore only a few populations were collected. All (three) populations of this species that were found occurred in the Araz river basin (salty soil) on the border between Armenia and Turkey in a littoral habitat (Photo 15).



*Photo 15. Habitat of *L. tatarica* (MGTK 204)*

The species can be easily recognized by its purple flowers (Photo 16).



Photo 16. Flowering L. tatarica (MGTK 204).

h. Other *Lactuca* species observed

L. aculeata

Two populations were found of this species in Armenia but no seeds were present as its flowering time is in August/September. The first population was found south east of Jerevan on a steep talus next to a road (Photo 17). The population grew on a clay soil. A closer view of a *L. aculeata* plant in its surrounding vegetation can be seen in photo 18. The location where a few *L. aculeata* were found was more to the east of Jerevan on the steps of a sight seeing place of Mount Ararat.



Photo 17. Overview of *L. aculeata* habitat close to Jerevan.



Photo 18. Close-up of a *L. aculeata* plant and its surrounding vegetation.

6.1.2 Co-occurrence of *Lactuca* species in the same habitat

It was observed during the expedition that *Lactuca* species in ca. 17% (= 17/99) of the cases co-occurred in one habitat (Table 5).

Table 5. Co-occurrence of *Lactuca* species in the Trans Caucasus. The number of locations of joint occurrence of two species is indicated. The numbers between brackets indicate the sole occurrence of a species in a location.

| | ser | sal | geo | tat | que | alt |
|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| ser | (47) | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| sal | | (0) | 1 | | 1 | |
| geo | | | (30) | | 4 | |
| tat | | | | (2) | | |
| que | | | | | (2) | |
| alt | | | | | | (1) |

Co-occurrence did not take place randomly among the *Lactuca* species collected. Especially *Lactuca serriola* co-occurred with all other *Lactuca* species; this occurred ca. 20% (= 12/59) of the cases.

In one habitat (MGTK 214; Antarut, Armenia) four *Lactuca* species co-occurred together. The species concerned were *L. serriola*, *L. saligna*, *L. georgica* and *L. quercina* ssp *wilhelmsiana*. The habitat where the four species co-occurred can be described as an open grassland vegetation with patches of shrubs; the altitude of the location was 2013 meters.

6.1.3 Cultivated lettuce

Only two populations (MGTK 220 and 221) were collected during the expedition in home gardens of farmers (Photo 19). These populations were collected in Griboedov (Armenia), a village south west of Jerevan.

The lettuce type collected was a cos (=romana) and was said to be in both cases a landrace. Seeds of these landraces were regenerated every year on ca. 15-20 plants. In Armenia approximately 20 hectares of lettuce is cultivated and the cultivation takes place year round. In the winter cultivation takes place in (mostly plastic) greenhouses and in the summer in open field cultivations. During the summer season the top of the lettuce plant is cut off which makes it possible to sell a vertical bunch of lettuce leaves per plant as this is the type of lettuce consumers are used too. In winter it is not needed to cut off the top of the plant to obtain a vertical bunch of leaves per plant. In Armenia also lettuce from abroad is grown, this is mostly frisee (=cutting; red and green) lettuce and this type is mostly used for decoration. In Azerbaijan no lettuce cultivation takes place and consequently the crop is imported.



Photo 19. Collecting MGTK 220 in Griboedov, Armenia. From left to right: spouse of Aghajanyar Gohaz, Gayane Melyan, Arzuman Tonoyan and Chris Kik.

7. Conclusions

- a. A Memorandum of Understanding, based upon the sMTA of the IT-PGRFA, was signed between the national authorities in Armenia and Azerbaijan on the one hand and CGN on the other hand. This MoU formed the legal basis of this expedition.
- b. The *Lactuca* collection of CGN could be substantiated with 115 unique accessions. Next to the collecting of two landraces of lettuce, 113 accessions of lettuce crop wild relatives were collected amongst which 37 accessions of *L. georgica*, an endemic species of lettuce gene pool I, which is very rare in genebanks worldwide.
- c. It was not always clear during collecting which *Lactuca* species was collected. Problems occurred with *L. altaica* and *L. virosa*. In case of the two *L. altaica* populations sampled the inflorescence resembled *L. serriola* whereas the leaf shape resembled *L. saligna*. During regeneration of the material in 2014 it was concluded that both populations sampled were correctly identified as *L. altaica*. In case of *L. virosa* it turned out during regeneration that the material collected was *L. serriola* forma *integrifolia*.
- d. Although a substantial number of *Lactuca* accessions have been collected, more *Lactuca* accessions can be collected especially in Azerbaijan on the south side of the Larger Caucasus where *L. georgica* should be present.

- e. No *Lactuca* breeding takes place in Armenia and Azerbaijan and also no *Lactuca* seeds could not be obtained in bazars during the expedition. No lettuce cultivation was encountered in Azerbaijan and only around 20 hectares of lettuce cultivation in Armenia took place.
- f. The cultivation of lettuce in Armenia occurred in home gardens. The original type of lettuce cultivated is Cos, which is used for consumption. Cultivation took place during the whole year in greenhouses and in open-field gardens.

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Appendix I. Memorandum of Understanding

Memorandum of Understanding concerning the acquisition of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture

The undersigned, dr. Z. Akparov, Director of the Genetic Resources Institute, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, Baku, Azerbaijan, the Competent National Authority on Access and Benefit Sharing for the Convention on Biological Diversity in Azerbaijan and dr. L. Visser, director of the Centre for Genetic Resources, the Netherlands (CGN), Wageningen, the Netherlands herewith declare the following.

Recognising the provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity, including the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization, placing the authority to determine access to genetic resources with the national governments and making access subject to national legislation,

Recognising the adoption of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement for the access of plant genetic resources in the Multilateral System of the International Treaty by the Governing Body of the International Treaty for the purposes of food and agriculture,

Recognising the policy of the Dutch government to provide access to other plant genetic resources than listed in Annex of the International Treaty under the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement,

Agree that this policy will also be adopted to regulate the future access to germplasm in the CGN collection that is to be collected in Azerbaijan,

Decide to adopt the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement for the distribution of vegetable germplasm in particular *Lactuca* species to be collected by Genetic Resources Institute, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences and CGN in 2013.

Genetic Resources Institute, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, Azadlig Avenue 155, Baku-AZ1106 Azerbaijan



Dr. Z. Akparov, Director

Date

05.03.13.

The Centre for Genetic Resources, the Netherlands (CGN), the Netherlands

Dr. L. Visser (Director)

Date

11/03/2017

Attachment: standard material transfer agreement (IT-PGRFA)

Appendix II. Expedition collecting form

Armenia – Azerbaijan - the Netherlands *Lactuca* expedition 2013

Team/collector(s) *Collecting number*

Date *Photo number*

Crop name *Cultivar name*

Latin species name

Locality

Latitude *Longitude* *Altitude*

Number of plants in population abundant...frequent...occasional....rare

Topography...swamp...floodplain...level...undulating...hilly...steep...mountainous

Biological status of accession

20) Farm or cultivated habitat

21) Field

22) Orchard

23) Backyard, kitchen or home garden

24) Fallow land

25) Pasture

100) Wild

110) Natural

120) Semi-natural/wild

200) Weedy

300) Traditional cultivar/landrace

500) Advanced/improved cultivar

30) Market or shop

60) Weedy, disturbed or ~~ruderal~~ habitat

61) Roadside

62) Field margin

Collecting/acquisition source

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(diseases, pests, other)

10) Wild habitat

11) Forest/woodland

12) ~~Shrubland~~

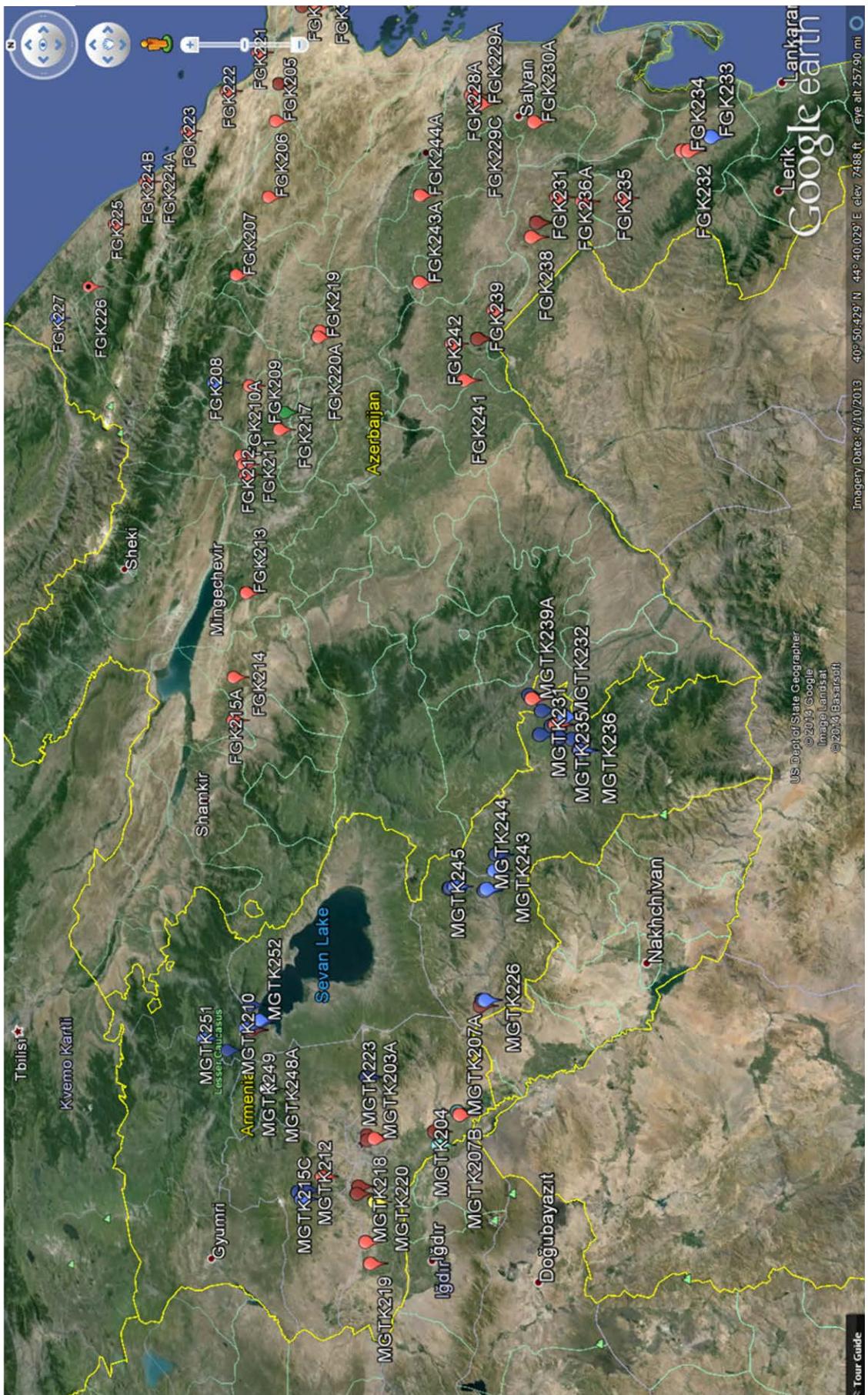
13) Grassland

14) Desert/tundra

15) Aquatic habitat

Appendix III. Map of locations where collecting took place

Collecting numbers are indicated (FGKxxx and MGTKxxx for *Lactuca* material collected in Azerbaijan and Armenia respectively). Furthermore also the species collected per location are indicated via coloured symbols namely red: *L. serriola*, red with dot: *L. altaica*, blue: *L. georgica*, green: *L. saligna*, white: *L. quercina*, yellow: *L. sativa*, turquoise: *L. tatarica*.



Appendix IV. List of accessions collected

Passport data of *Lactuca* accessions collected in Armenia (MGTKxxx) and Azerbaijan (FGKxxx). Date: year-month-date; Latitude and longitude determined via GPS: mapdatum WGS84, position format for longitude and latitude: hddd°mm.mmmm'; altitude in meters; population type: W: wild; L: landrace.

| collection nr | photo nr | date | species name | species name after regeneration | nearest locality | longitude | latitude | population type | topography | source | population size |
|---------------|----------|---------|--------------|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|---|
| FGK224B | 103 | 664-673 | 20130714 | altaiaca | altaiaca | 41°04'90980' | 049°08'15700' | 29 W | undulating | roadside | 5-25 small plants, some in seed |
| FGK225 | 103 | 674-676 | 20130714 | seriola | seriola | 41°13'64580' | 048°57'28980' | 33 W | undulating | field margin | 5-25 plants in seed |
| FGK226 | 103 | 677-697 | 20130714 | altaiaca | altaiaca | 41°21'11.1820' | 048°39'49680' | 349 W | level | river bed | >100 plants; many in seed |
| FGK227 | 103 | 698-704 | 20130714 | georgica | georgica | 41°30'99180' | 048°51.889120' | 343 W | undulating | field margin | 5-25 plants, a number with ripened seeds |
| FGK228A | 103 | 708-713 | 20130716 | seriola | seriola | 39°44'24820' | 049°07'28700' | -23 W | level | field margin | 25-100 plants; many plants with seeds |
| FGK228B | 103 | 708-713 | 20130716 | virosa | seriola | 39°44'24820' | 049°07'28700' | -23 W | level | field margin | 5-25 plants; some in seed |
| FGK229A | 103 | 714-723 | 20130716 | seriola | seriola | 39°42'27900' | 049°04'27800' | -23 W | level | field margin | >100 plants, many with ripened seeds |
| FGK229B | 103 | 714-723 | 20130716 | virosa | seriola | 39°42'27900' | 049°04'27800' | -23 W | level | field margin | 5-25 plants; some in seed |
| FGK229C | 103 | 714-723 | 20130716 | saligna | saligna | 39°42'27900' | 049°04'27800' | -23 W | level | field margin | 5-25 plants; some in seed |
| FGK230A | 103 | 724-727 | 20130716 | seriola | seriola | 39°31'15.8800' | 048°55'77920' | -24 W | level | roadside | >100 plants, many with ripened seeds |
| FGK230B | 103 | 724-727 | 20130716 | virosa | seriola | 39°31'15.8800' | 048°55'77920' | -24 W | level | roadside | 25-100 plants; 10-15 plants in seed |
| FGK231 | 103 | 730-733 | 20130716 | seriola | seriola | 39°26'802' | 048°34'6333' | W | level | field margin | >100 plants, few in seed |
| FGK232 | 103 | 734-736 | 20130717 | seriola | seriola | 39°01'19.980' | 048°39'15.000' | 14 W | level | roadside | 25-100 plants; many plants in seed |
| FGK233 | 103 | 737-739 | 20130717 | seriola | georgica | 38°56'9.93880' | 048°41'32620' | -19 W | level | roadside | 25-100 plants; 25-50 plants in seed |
| FGK234 | 103 | 742-745 | 20130717 | seriola | seriola | 39°02'26380' | 048°39'46200' | 22 W | level | roadside | 5-25 plants; many plants in seed |
| FGK235 | 103 | 767-769 | 20130718 | seriola | seriola | 39°14.08080' | 048°30.93480' | 31 W | level | roadside | >100 plants; many plants in seed |
| FGK236A | 103 | 770-778 | 20130718 | seriola | seriola | 39°21.74400' | 048°32.13120' | 11 W | level | roadside | >100 plants; many plants in seed |
| FGK236B | 103 | 770-778 | 20130718 | virosa | seriola | 39°21.74400' | 048°32.13120' | 11 W | level | roadside | 5-25 plants; less than 10 plants in seed |
| FGK237A | 103 | 779-785 | 20130718 | seriola | seriola | 39°31.06620' | 048°29.12700' | 9 W | level | field margin | 25-100 plants, few in seed |
| FGK237B | 103 | 779-785 | 20130718 | saligna | ayarii | 39°31.06620' | 048°29.12700' | 9 W | level | field margin | 25-100 plants, few in seed |
| FGK238 | 103 | 786-790 | 20130718 | seriola | ayarii | 39°32.19300' | 048°25.65480' | 16 W | level | roadside | 25-100 plants, few plants in seed |
| FGK239 | 103 | 791-794 | 20130718 | seriola | seriola | 39°40.28880' | 048°08'42280' | 19 W | level | roadside | >100 plants, many in seed |
| FGK240A | 103 | 795-810 | 20130718 | seriola | seriola | 39°43.80180' | 048°01.62320' | 22 W | level | fallow land | >100 plants, many in seed |
| FGK240B | 103 | 795-810 | 20130718 | virosa | seriola | 39°43.80180' | 048°01.62320' | 22 W | level | fallow land | 25-100 plants; few plants with seeds |
| FGK240C | 103 | 795-810 | 20130718 | saligna | imishi | 39°43.80180' | 048°01.62320' | 22 W | level | fallow land | 5-25 plants; few plants with seeds |
| FGK241 | 103 | 811-814 | 20130718 | seriola | seriola | 39°46.79580' | 047°51.28620' | 27 W | level | field margin | >100 plants; few in seed |
| FGK242 | 103 | 818-820 | 20130719 | seriola | seriola | 39°49.39620' | 048°01.51200' | 12 W | level | roadside | 25-100 plants; plants in flower and with seed |
| FGK243A | 103 | 821-823 | 20130719 | seriola | seriola | 39°56.29680' | 048°19.60680' | -1 W | level | roadside | >100 plants; many plants in seed |
| FGK243B | 103 | 821-823 | 20130719 | virosa | seriola | 39°56.29680' | 048°19.60680' | -1 W | level | roadside | 1-5 plants; few plants in seed |

| collection number | photo nr | photo map | species name | species during expedition | green name | regeneration after | species name | nearest locality | name | latitude | longitude | altitude | population type | topography | source | population size |
|-----------------------------|----------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|--|-----------------|------------|--------|-----------------|
| MGT214A 103 824-829 | 20130719 | seriola | seriola | seriola | Qarayeva | 39°55.888880° | 048°43.35900° | -21 W | level | roadside | | >100 plants, many in seed | | | | |
| MGT214B 103 824-829 | 20130719 | virosa | seriola | seriola | Qarayeva | 39°55.888880° | 048°43.35900° | -21 W | level | roadside | | 1-5 plants; all plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT214A 103 847-851 | 20130723 | seriola | seriola | seriola | Irashen | 40°08.39220° | 044°33.59100° | 1107 W | level | roadside | | 5-25 plants; few plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT214B 103 847-851 | 20130723 | virosa | seriola | seriola | Irashen | 40°08.39220° | 044°33.59100° | 1107 W | level | roadside | | 1-5 plants; few plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT212 103 852-853 | 20130723 | seriola | seriola | seriola | Erebuni | 40°08.37720° | 044°32.26200° | 1058 W | level | field margin | | 25-100 plants; few plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT213A 103 854-858 | 20130723 | seriola | seriola | seriola | Nubarashen | 40°06.76980° | 044°33.02220° | 1129 W | level | graveyard | | 25-100 plants; a number in seed | | | | |
| MGT213B 103 854-858 | 20130723 | virosa | seriola | seriola | Nubarashen | 40°06.76980° | 044°33.02220° | 1129 W | level | graveyard | | 1-5 plants; 1 virosa in seed | | | | |
| MGT214 103 859-866 | 20130724 | tatarica | seriola | seriola | Khor Virap | 39°52.88220° | 044°33.94920° | 845 W | flood plain | aquatic habitat | | 25-100 plants; few plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT215A 103 877-881 | 20130724 | seriola | seriola | seriola | Ararat-1 | 39°53.60520° | 044°37.26600° | 874 W | level | field | | 5-25 plants; a number of plants with seeds | | | | |
| MGT215B 103 877-881 | 20130724 | virosa | seriola | seriola | Ararat-1 | 39°53.60520° | 044°37.26600° | 874 W | level | field | | 1-5 plants; 1 virosa in seed | | | | |
| MGT216 103 882-887 | 20130724 | tatarica | seriola | seriola | Ararat-2 | 39°48.68400° | 044°43.29480° | 858 W | level | field | | 5-25 plants; many plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT217A 103 888-890 | 20130724 | seriola | seriola | seriola | Ararat-3 | 39°48.23700° | 044°42.55320° | 862 W | level | field | | 5-25 plants; a number of plants with seeds | | | | |
| MGT217B 103 888-890 | 20130724 | tatarica | seriola | seriola | Ararat-3 | 39°48.23700° | 044°42.55320° | 862 W | level | field | | 5-25 plants; a number of plants with seeds | | | | |
| MGT218 103 891-894 | 20130725 | georgica | georgica & seriola | Sevan-1 | 40°35.81820° | 044°57.62400° | 1960 W | hilly | disturbed habitat | | | 5-25 plants; some in seed; stony habitat | | | | |
| MGT219 103 904-909 | 20130725 | georgica | georgica | Sevan-2 | 40°34.26000° | 044°59.81280° | 1958 W | hilly | disturbed habitat | | | 5-25 plants; some in seed; stony habitat | | | | |
| MGT210 103 910-911 | 20130725 | georgica | georgica | Tsouvaghagh | 40°37.35600° | 044°58.04220° | 1969 W | hilly | disturbed habitat | | | 5-25 plants; some in seed; stony habitat | | | | |
| MGT211 103 912-914 | 20130725 | georgica | georgica | Arakhtic | 40°36.20220° | 045°04.49520° | 1906 W | hilly | disturbed habitat | | | 5-25 plants; some in seed; stony habitat | | | | |
| MGT212 103 915-917 | 20130726 | seriola | seriola | Ashtavuk | 40°18.63600° | 044°20.62500° | 1184 W | undulating | grassland | | | 25-100 plants; mature seed inside flower | | | | |
| MGT213 103 918-929 | 20130726 | georgica | georgica | Byurakan | 40°22.33920° | 044°16.22520° | 1894 W | undulating | grassland | | | 25-100 plants; mature seed inside flower | | | | |
| MGT214A 103 933-934 | 20130806 | seriola | seriola | Antarut | 40°22.64820° | 044°15.75600° | 2013 W | undulating | grassland | | | 25-100 plants; 5 plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT214B 103 930-932 | 20130806 | saligna | seriola | Antarut | 40°22.64820° | 044°15.75600° | 2013 W | undulating | grassland | | | 25-100 plants; 5 plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT214C 103 940-945 | 20130726 | georgica | georgica | Antarut | 40°22.66080° | 044°15.80220° | 2015 W | undulating | grassland | | | 25-100 plants; 30 plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT214D 103 935-939/946-953 | 20130726 | querina ssp wilhelmsiana | querina ssp w | Antarut | 40°22.65300° | 044°15.88380° | 2011 W | undulating | shrubland | | | 25-25 plants; 10 plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT215A 103 960-968/972 | 20130726 | querina ssp querina | querina ssp q | Amberd | 40°23.32680° | 044°13.56480° | 2147 W | hilly | wild habitat | | | 25-25 plants; 25 plants with mature seeds | | | | |
| MGT215B 103 960-968/972 | 20130726 | querina ssp wilhelmsiana | querina ssp w | Amberd | 40°23.32680° | 044°13.56480° | 2147 W | hilly | wild habitat | | | 1-5 plants; few plants with seed | | | | |
| MGT215C 103 960-968/972 | 20130726 | georgica | georgica | Amberd | 40°23.32680° | 044°13.56480° | 2147 W | hilly | wild habitat | | | 5-25 plants; 10 plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT216 103 984-985 | 20130727 | seriola | seriola | Echmiadzin-1 | 40°10.26720° | 044°19.66200° | 933 W | level | roadside | | | 5-25 plants; 10 plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT217 103 986-987 | 20130727 | seriola | seriola | Echmiadzin-2 | 40°10.62720° | 044°17.61600° | 931 W | level | roadside | | | 25-100 plants; 10 plants in seed | | | | |
| MGT218 103 988-992 | 20130727 | seriola | seriola | Aravai-1 | 40°08.64900° | 044°05.22900° | 908 W | level | roadside | | | >100 plants, many in seed | | | | |

| collection number | photo nr | photo map | date | species name given after expedition | nearest locality name | longitude | latitude | population type | topography | source | population size | |
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| | | | | | | | | | | | regeneration after collection | altitudo |
| MGT219 | 103 | 933.995 | 20130727 | serriola | Sardarapat | 40°07'54.200' | 043°59'76.180' | 928 W | level | fallow land | >100 plants, many in seed | |
| MGT220 | 104 | 005-016 | 20130729 | sativa | Sativa | 40°06'69.180' | 044°16.21020' | 843 L | level | home garden | 5-25 plants; 7 plants harvested | |
| MGT221 | 104 | 018-030 | 20130729 | sativa | Sativa | 40°06'74.700' | 044°16.29000' | 846 L | level | home garden | 5-25 plants; 3 plants harvested | |
| MGT222 | 104 | 036-049 | 20130729 | georgica | georgica | 40°08'36.820' | 044°49.07220' | 1711 W | hilly/steep | shrubland | 5-25 plants; 10 plants in seed | |
| MGT223 | 104 | 063-067 | 20130729 | georgica | georgica | 40°08'43.900' | 044°49.15080' | 1774 W | hilly | margin forest | 5-25 plants; a number of plants in seed | |
| MGT224 | 104 | 068-070 | 20130730 | serriola | serriola | 39°43.95500' | 045°10.84920' | 1039 W | level | roadside | >100 plants, few in seed | |
| MGT225 | 104 | 071-077 | 20130730 | georgica | georgica | 39°43.383' | 045°12.320' | 1072 W | undulating | roadside - canyon | 25-100 plants, but most have no seeds anymore | |
| MGT226 | 104 | 099-105 | 20130730 | georgica | georgica | 39°42.95580' | 045°12.37200' | 1149 W | hilly | roadside - canyon | 5-25 plants; 25 plants with mature seeds | |
| MGT227 | 104 | 106-109 | 20130730 | georgica | georgica | 39°43.443' | 045°12.322' | 1050 W | hilly | roadside - canyon | 5-25 plants; many mature plants | |
| MGT228 | 104 | 111-113 | 20130730 | georgica | georgica | 39°42.757' | 045°40.039' | 1857 W | hilly | roadside | 5-25 plants; few plants still with seeds | |
| MGT229 | 104 | 127-129 | 20130731 | georgica | georgica | 39°31.40520' | 046°19.21980' | 1545 W | undulating | roadside | 25-100 plants; 25 plants in seed | |
| MGT230 | 104 | 130-134 | 20130731 | georgica | georgica | 39°29.05680' | 046°21.47280' | 1180 W | hilly | roadside | 25-100 plants; 25 plants in seed | |
| MGT231 | 104 | 135-137 | 20130731 | serriola | serriola | 39°28.31220' | 046°21.71280' | 1128 W | hilly | roadside | 5-100 plants; a number of plants have mature seeds | |
| MGT232 | 104 | 143-154 | 20130731 | georgica | georgica | 39°26.56380' | 046°23.61420' | 937 W | undulating | roadside | 5-25 plants; less than 5 plants harvested | |
| MGT233A | 104 | 161-188 | 20130731 | georgica | georgica | 39°27.52320' | 046°18.53100' | 1637 W | undulating | field margin | 25-100 plants, many in seed | |
| MGT233B | 104 | 161-188 | 20130731 | georgica x serriola? | serriola | 39°27.52320' | 046°18.53100' | 1637 W | undulating | field margin | 1-5 plants; 1-2 plants with mature seeds | |
| MGT234 | 104 | 192-196 | 20130731 | georgica | georgica | 39°25.07280' | 046°18.05400' | 1544 W | level | field margin | >100 populations with many plants in seed | |
| MGT235 | 104 | 197-204 | 20130731 | serriola | serriola | 39°23.72580' | 046°15.444820' | 1039 W | hilly | roadside | >100 plants; around 25 plants in seed | |
| MGT236 | 104 | 205-206 | 20130731 | georgica | georgica | 39°23.52000' | 046°15.24420' | 1222 W | hilly | roadside | 25-100 plants; many plants in seed | |
| MGT237 | 104 | 261-271 | 20130801 | georgica | georgica | 39°27.73980' | 046°18.21420' | 1647 W | level undulating | roadside | 25-100 plants; many plants in seed | |
| MGT238 | 104 | 279-282 | 20130801 | georgica | georgica | 39°31.09800' | 046°25.12380' | 1556 W | level | roadside | 25-100 plants; around 10 plants in seed collected | |
| MGT239A | 104 | 284-289 | 20130801 | serriola | serriola | 39°33.12900' | 046°28.20480' | 1412 W | level | field margin | 5-25 plants; less than 10 plants in seed | |
| MGT239B | 104 | 284-289 | 20130801 | georgica | georgica | 39°33.12900' | 046°28.20480' | 1412 W | level | field margin | >100 plants; many plants in seed | |
| MGT240 | 104 | 290-294 | 20130801 | georgica | georgica | 39°33.64620' | 046°29.08500' | 1340 W | hilly | field margin | 25-100 plants; 5-10 plants in seed | |
| MGT241 | 104 | 295-300 | 20130801 | georgica | georgica | 39°28.46100' | 046°21.57120' | 1275 W | hilly | roadside | 25-100 plants; a number of plants in seed | |
| MGT242 | 104 | 350-352 | 20130802 | georgica | georgica | 39°40.34100' | 045°49.22100' | 2036 W | undulating | roadside | 25-100 plants; around 25 plants in seed | |
| MGT243 | 104 | 353-356 | 20130802 | georgica | georgica | 39°40.67520' | 045°45.18480' | 2083 W | level | roadside | 25-100 plants, few in seed | |
| MGT244 | 104 | 357-360 | 20130802 | georgica | georgica | 39°42.30780' | 045°40.58920' | 1879 W | hilly | field margin | 25-100 plants; mature seed inside flower | |
| MGT245 | 104 | 361-371 | 20130802 | georgica | georgica | 39°48.93000' | 045°40.69200' | 1999 W | undulating | field margin | 5-100 plants; 5-10 plants with mature seeds in flower | |

| collection number | photo map | date | species name given during expedition | species name given after regeneration | nearest locality | name | longitude | latitude | altitude | population type | topography | source | population size |
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| MGTR246 | 104 | 384-386 | 20130802 | georgica | | Djermuk-2 | 39°49'39.740" | 045°40.34700' | 2047 W | field margin | level | | 25-100 plants; more than 25 plants in seed |
| MGTR247A | 104 | 396-399/401-402 | 20130802 | georgica | | Djermuk-3 | 39°50'16.720" | 045°40.09800' | 1992 W | hilly | | | 25-100 plants; many plants in seed |
| MGTR247B | 104 | 394-395/401-402 | 20130802 | querina ssp wilhelmsiana | querina ssp w | Djermuk-3 | 39°50.167720" | 045°40.09800' | 1992 W | hilly | | | 25-100 plants; around 5 plants in seed |
| MGTR248A | 104 | 455-465 | 20130804 | querina ssp querina | querina ssp q | Tsakhadzor-1 | 40°32.12820" | 044°41.99700' | 1937 W | hilly-steep | | | 25-25 plants; 5 plants mature seeds in flower |
| MGTR248B | 104 | 455-465 | 20130804 | querina ssp wilhelmsiana | querina ssp w | Tsakhadzor-1 | 40°32.12820" | 044°41.99700' | 1937 W | hilly-steep | | | 25-25 plants; 5 plants mature seeds in flower |
| MGTR249 | 104 | 467-468 | 20130804 | querina ssp querina | querina ssp q | Tsakhadzor-2 | 40°32.09520" | 044°42.07380' | 1926 W | undulating-steep | | | 25-25 plants; 8 plants in seed |
| MGTR250 | 104 | 482-485 | 20130805 | georgica | georgica | Dilijan | 40°41.863' | 044°51.029' | W | hilly | | | >100 plants, many in seed |
| MGTR251 | 104 | 528-531 | 20130805 | georgica | georgica | Haghartsin | 40°48.12420" | 044°53.44680' | 1415 W | hilly | | | 5-25 plants; around 10 plants in seed collected |
| MGTR252 | 104 | 532-535 | 20130805 | georgica | georgica | Peninsula Lake Sevan | 40°33.748' | 045°00.710' | W | level | | | 5-25 plants; 5-10 plants with mature seeds |
| MGTR253A | 103 | 954-956 | 20130806 | georgica | Antarut-2 | | 40°24.18300" | 044°15.30120' | 2301 W | hilly | | | 25-100 plants; around 50 plants with mature seed in flower |
| MGTR253B | 104 | 605-607/612-613 | 20130806 | querina ssp wilhelmsiana | querina ssp w | Antarut-2 | 40°24.18300" | 044°15.30120' | 2301 W | hilly | field | | 1-5 plants; 1 plant with seed |