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Picture front page: *Daucus carota* growing in a grassland south of Zamin, Uzbekistan (KEK 106).

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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 breeders, researchers and other users. Annually around 5000 seed samples are distributed.

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 landraces and wild populations of *Daucus carota* in Central Asia form such a case. Therefore in 2015 CGN carried out a collecting mission in Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan, in close collaboration with its local counterparts. The present report provides details of the results of this collecting mission. Three plant breeding companies sponsored the mission, a fact that is duly recognized and appreciated.

During the mission 112 seed samples were collected in both countries, amongst which 22 landraces. Upon regeneration, the samples will be made available under the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement of the International Treaty, with the agreement of the authorities in Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan involved.

This collecting mission formed an activity jointly undertaken by partners in Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and the Netherlands. The support from the national authorities in Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan is duly recognized.

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#### 1. Introduction

Nowadays it is generally assumed that the centre of diversity of cultivated carrot (*Daucus carota* L.) is Central Asia (lorizzo *et al.*, 2013). In addition, the other species belonging to the genus *Daucus* can be found in the Mediterranean basin (Spooner *et al.*, 2014). Although 7043 *Daucus* accessions are present in GENESYS (www.genesys-pgr.org), only few accessions originate from its centre of diversity in Central Asia. Analysing in detail the GRIN

(http://www.ars-grin.gov/npgs/searchgrin.html) and EURISCO

(http://eurisco.ipk-gatersleben.de) databases, it was found that only 120 accessions from this region are currently available for distribution (Table 1).

Country	GRIN	GRIN/EURISCO	EURISCO	Total
Afghanistan	3	17	3	23
Iran	1	15	9	25
Kazakhstan	6	0	1	7
Kyrgyzstan	1	0	8	9
Pakistan	1	8	4	13
Tajikistan	4	0	1	5
Turkmenistan	0	0	0	0
Uzbekistan	15	0	23	38
Total	31	40	49	120

**Table 1.** Available accessions per Central Asian country as presented in the GRIN and EURISCO databases; in the GRIN/EURISCO column the number of accessions included in both databases are given.

Because of the low number of *Daucus carota* accessions from the centre of diversity, an area where one can expect that the species contains most of its genetic diversity, a collecting expedition was undertaken in order to collect additional wild populations and landraces of carrot. This made this expedition a single crop expedition. The countries in which the collecting expedition was carried out were Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan.

Analysing the 120 accessions that are currently available from  $ex\ situ$  collections, it was found that overall 61% (= 73/120) was a landrace (Table 2). Therefore the focus of the expedition was on the collecting of wild populations.

Country	Wild weedy	Landrace	Breeding material	Other	Total
Afghanistan		17		6	23
Iran	1	16	7	2	25
Kazakhstan	2	3		2	7
Kyrgyzstan	8	1			9
Pakistan		7	2	4	13
Tajikistan		2		3	5
Turkmenistan					0
Uzbekistan	7	27		4	38
Total	18	73	9	21	120

Table 2. The number of accessions per biological status category (see http://eurisco.ipk-gatersleben.de for MCPD list – SAMPSTAT descriptor) per Central Asian country. Only available and unique accessions were taken into account.

The result of a geo-referencing exercise of the 120 available accessions proved to be poor as of only 32 accessions latitude and longitude were known (Table 3). In this collecting expedition, these geo-referenced positions were taken into account when populations were collected.

Country	Number of georeferenced	%
	accessions	
Afghanistan	0	0
Iran	6	5
Kazakhstan	3	2.5
Kyrgyzstan	2	1.6
Pakistan	0	0
Tajikistan	0	0
Turkmenistan	0	0
Uzbekistan	21	17.5
Total	32	26.6

**Table 3.** The number and percentage of geo-referenced accessions per country. Only available accessions (n=120) were taken into account.

In 2015 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 Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan (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 *Daucus* collection maintained at CGN by collecting *Daucus* landraces and wild populations 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 Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan by two collecting teams, namely:

Collecting team in Uzbekistan:

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Both collecting teams also included Chris Kik, Centre for Genetic Resources, the Netherlands (CGN), Droevendaalsesteeg 1, 6708 PB Wageningen, the Netherlands; E-mail: chris.kik@wur.nl.

## 4. Exploration area and expedition period

In both countries a round trip was made, so overnight stays took place in several places. Temperatures during daytime in Uzbekistan were between 35-45 °C and in Kyrgyzstan between 25-35 °C throughout the collecting period. Due to the high temperatures in Uzbekistan, overnight stays were frequently in the open air at higher elevations (mostly at local farmers). In Kyrgyzstan overnight stays were often in Bed&Breakfast places. For the field work in Uzbekistan a Chevrolet Matiz was used and in Kyrgyzstan a 4WD Toyota landcruiser.

The sampling period of the collecting expedition was from July 25 to August 31 2015 and took place in Uzbekistan from July 25 – August 11 and in Kyrgyzstan from August 13 to August 31. Collecting started in Uzbekistan, because most of the country lies on a lower elevation compared to Kyrgyzstan, and as a result seed setting occurs earlier. In the collecting periods in both countries still unripe seeds were encountered at several locations, but mostly just ripened seeds and mature seeds could be collected (Photo 1). The duration of the collecting trip in both countries proved to be sufficient, although in hindsight a collecting trip in the central part of Kyrgyzstan at higher elevations than 2000 meters would also have been also interesting.



Photo 1. Various stages of ripened fruits of Daucus carota (LVK 059).

## 5. Data collecting, sampling procedure and seed cleaning

A field collecting form based upon a modified multi-crop passport descriptor list (MCPD; see: http://eurisco.ipk-gatersleben.de) 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 KEKxxx and LVKxxx for the samples collected in Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan respectively (KEKxx: Khasanov-Esankulov-Kik followed by a number and LVKxx: Lazkov-Vorobiev-Kik followed by a number). Latitude, longitude and

altitude were determined via GPS (Garmin, eTrex 20) with an inaccuracy of 1-5 meters. Latitude and longitude were recorded using as map datum WGS84 and as 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 50 individual plants needed to be observed at first glance. The area explored per accession varied from ca. 0.1-1 ha.

Per location the umbels of circa 20 plants were collected (Photo 2). From each plant an umbel with a stem of around 15 cm length was cut-off with a knife (Photo 2), and put upside down in a linen bag (20 x 35 cm) to dry and further ripe if necessary. A label with the collecting number was put in the bag and was also attached to the rope which tied up the bag. In case all fruits of the umbels collected had a brown colour, indicating these were fully mature, then the umbels were directly hand-crushed in the linen bag and the stems were removed leaving behind a mixture of small stems and fruits. All accessions were treated like this in both countries at the end of the collecting mission. Later on at CGN a further cleaning act was carried out.



Photo 2. Collecting seeds of wild carrots (KEK 120).

During the expedition the linen 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 Area covered

During the expedition an area of approximately  $900 \times 350 \text{ km}^2$  in total was covered and over 7000 km was traversed (Figure 1 & 2).

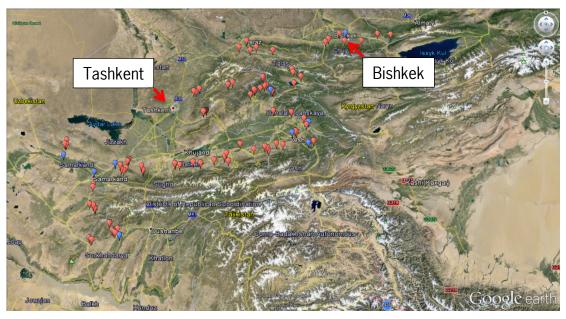


Figure 1. Map of the collecting area in Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan with the Daucus collecting sites indicated; red: wild populations and blue: landraces (for enlarged figure: see Appendix 3).

More schematically, from North to South, the expedition covered the northern and southern parts of the Kyrgyz Alatau range, the western part of the Fergana range and the northern and western parts of the Pamir Alay range (Figure 2).



Figure 2. A schematic presentation of the expedition area covered.

#### 6.2 Collected accessions

In total 112 accessions were collected during the collecting expedition amongst which 22 (= 20%) landraces and 90 (= 80%) wild populations. In Table 4 the number of landraces and wild populations per country are presented.

Country	Landraces	Wild populations	Total
Uzbekistan	13	38	51
Kyrgystan	9	52	61
Total	22	90	112

**Table 4.** The number of landraces and wild populations collected per country during the Daucus expedition.

As a result of the current expedition the percentage increase in the total number of accessions originating from Central Asian countries (see for countries included Table 1) in genebanks worldwide is 93% (from 120 to 232 accessions; Table 5); the wild/weedy category increased with 500% (from 18 to 108 accessions) whereas the landrace category increased with 30% (from 73 to 95 accessions).

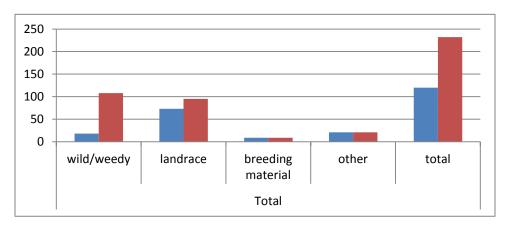


Table 5. The number of accessions originating from Central Asian countries present in genebanks worldwide for the various population type categories before and after the Daucus 2015 expedition. The blue and red columns indicate the number of accessions present in genebanks worldwide before and after the expedition took place respectively.

#### 6.2.1 Wild populations

The collecting of wild populations proved to be relatively easy and on average 4-5 accessions per collecting day were sampled. The only factor which seemed to have a dominant effect on the distribution and presence of the species is the availability of moisture in the soil. To illustrate this observation: in the southwestern parts of Uzbekistan where the hilly landscape consists of loess complexes which are intersected by rivulets, wild carrot populations can be found along these rivulets (green areas on the photo) but certainly not on the more elevated parts of the loess complexes (Photo 3).

The wild populations (n= 90) in both countries were found in very diverse habitats ranging from populations found along rivers/rivulets (Photo 4) to populations found at forest margins at higher elevation. Most populations however were found in fields and field margins (n=34; Photo 1 and 5), on grassland/pastures (n=12), in orchards (n=9), on roadsides (n=12) and in backyards (n=10). In Uzbekistan more populations were collected in backyards and orchards (Uzbekistan: 17 vs Kyrgyzstan: 2), whereas in Kyrgyzstan more populations were collected in fields/field margins (Uzbekistan: 16 vs Kyrgyzstan: 8). Most probably these differences are related to the differences in land use, as in Kyrgyzstan more land in the area traversed has a nature destination and less an arable/horticultural destination compared to Uzbekistan.



**Photo 3.** Loess complexes intersected with rivulets north of the line Samarkand - Bukhara (Uzbekistan).



Photo 4. Wild carrots growing near the river Aflatur in Kyrgyzstan (LVK 016).



**Photo 5.** Wild carrots collected by A Esonkulov growing in a hayfield near Langar Uzbekistan (KEK 117).

#### 6.2.2 Landraces

Cultivated carrots are known in Uzbek language as 'cabzi', in Kyrgyz language as 'cabze' and in Russian as 'markovska'. In total 22 landraces were collected: 13 in Uzbekistan and 9 in Kyrgyzstan. The overriding part of the landraces acquired came from bazars (n=20; Photo 6 & 7), whereas two landraces were collected in the field (LVK 012 & 035; Table 5). The latter ones were collected in Kyrgystan (Photo 8).

Country	Field	Market/Shop/Seedbroker	Total
Uzbekistan	0	13	13
Kyrgyzstan	2	7	9
Total	2	20	22

**Table 5.** The number of landraces acquired per collecting source in Uzbekistan and Kyrgystan.



Photo 6. Buying landraces by G Lazkov at the Osh bazar in Bishkek (LVK 001 & 002).



**Photo 7.** Buying a carrot landrace by F Khasanov at the bazar of Khatyrchy, Uzbekistan (KEK 113).



**Photo 8.** Collecting by A Vorobiev of a carrot landrace on an arable field near Kitchi Ak Jol, Kyrgyzstan (LVK012).

Most landraces obtained at bazars were cultivated in the vicinity of the bazar where their seeds were sold, however seven landraces (KEK 128, 129, 148, 149 & 150 and LVK 032 & 033) originated from locations more than 50 km away from the bazar. Six of these landraces were cultivated in the Fergan valley (Namangan and Andijan).

Interestingly, a difference appeared in the colours landraces in use (Photo 9) within both countries. In the North, people preferred yellow coloured landraces for plof (a national dish in both countries) and red coloured landraces for soups, lagman, etc. In the South, this was reversed. In this context it was mentioned to us that in Tajikistan only red coloured landraces were cultivated as people only preferred this type of carrots for their dish. The difference between both types of landraces seems to be that yellow ones tend to have a sweeter taste compared to the red ones.



**Photo 9.** Red and yellow coloured carrot landraces at the bazar in Khatyrchy, Uzbekistan (KEK 113 & 119).

Two cultivation cycles of carrots can take place per year, namely from February to July (120 days) and from August to November (90 days). The first cultivation period provides the best crop. The second crop is mostly planted after a cereal (wheat, barley) cultivation. Mostly 5-6 kg of seed is used per hectare which yields around 45-55 tons of carrots. One kilo of seeds of a landrace costs approximately € 14-15, whereas one kilo of seeds of a modern variety costs around five times more. Depending upon snowfall during the early phase of cultivation (March) bolting can take place which can result in around 30% flowering plants. In the absence of snow around five percent plants will be flowering. Flowering of five percent of the plants is not seen as a problem as the yield loss due to flowering is minimal. Actually, it is considered positively as it is seen as an indication that harvest of the carrots can take place. Farmers use chemical fertilizers like amonfos and also fungicides to prevent for example spreading of Verticillium. Farmers buy seeds mostly from other local farmers and/or seed brokers, because seeds sold at the bazars are not always trusted as mixing with wild populations or other landraces may occur. The use of modern varieties is not widespread, as low yields were observed in the past using these varieties and once such an experience is encountered, a farmer will not easily buy seed of a modern variety again. Also it was mentioned that local varieties performed better compared to modern varieties during drought.



Photo 10. Local seed broker Anwar from Toza Uruk, Uzbekistan (KEK 148-150).

From a discussion with a local seedbroker named Anwar (Photo 10) in Toza Uruk, a small village some 35 km southwest of Jizzakh (Uzbekistan), it appeared that he buys his carrot seeds (preferably the variety Shantoon) every year from 5-10 farmers near Namangan, Fergan valley, which is ca. 400 km eastwards. The seeds produced in Namangan yield a good crop according to him when cultivated in the Galla Arol area in Uzbekistan. This area is known to yield the best carrot harvests in the country. The carrot cultivation in the Galla Arol area is around 300 hectares. The seed broker Anwar regularly sells 500-1000 kg of carrot seeds per year to around 40% of the carrot farmers in the area. There are around 20 seed brokers like Anwar in the area and most of them sell around 40-50 kg of carrot seeds each year.

Every year Anwar buys 50 kg of seeds from a new seed producer from the area around Namangan and checks the performance of the acquired seeds the year afterwards. When this subsequently results in a good harvest then he includes this seed producer in his brokerage network.

#### 7. Conclusions

- a. A Memorandum of Understanding, agreeing on the use of the sMTA of the IT-PGRFA, was signed between on the one hand the national authorities of Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan and CGN on the other hand. This MoU formed the legal basis of this expedition.
- b. The *Daucus* collection maintained at CGN could be enlarged with 112 unique accessions amongst which 22 landraces.
- c. The expedition led to an increase in the total number of accessions originating from Central Asian countries in genebanks worldwide from 120 to 232 accessions: the wild/weedy population type category increased from 18 to 108 accessions and the landrace category from 73 to 95 accessions.
- d. Although a substantial number of *Daucus* accessions have been collected, more interesting *Daucus* accessions can be collected especially in the mountainous area of Kyrgyzstan.
- e. No carrot breeding takes place in both countries and therefore farmers rely on landraces and imported modern varieties from Western countries. Due to the high seed price of modern varieties and crop failure sometimes reported for these varieties, farmers still mostly rely on landraces.
- f. Landraces are usually bought from neighbouring farmers but also from local seed brokers, which buy their seeds sometimes far from the area where the seeds are sown.
- g. Carrot cultivation takes place in Uzbekistan especially in the Galla arol area whereas in Kyrgyzstan it is scattered over the country.

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## Appendix I. Memorandum of Understanding - Uzbekistan

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

The undersigned, Dr. K. Tojibaev, director of Institute of Plant and Animais Genepool, Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan 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, as well as the benefit-sharing mechanism elaborated in the Standard Material Transfer Agreement.

Recognising the policy option to provide access to other plant genetic resources than listed in Annex 1 of the International Treaty under the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement, in order to enhance both access and benefit-sharing.

In full compliance with national policy and regulations regarding access and benefit-sharing in Uzbekistan and the Netherlands respectively,

Agree that this policy will also be adopted to regulate the future access by users to germplasm that is to be collected in Uzbekistan, transferred to the Netherlands under the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement, and included in the CGN collections in the framework of a joint collecting project,

Decide to adopt the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement for the distribution to third parties of vegetable germplasm, including *Daucus*, to be collected by the Institute of Plant and Animals Genepool and the Centre for Genetic Resources, the Netherlands in 2015.

Institute of Plant and Animals Genepool, Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan

Dr. K. Tojibaev, director

Date 6 April 2015

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

Dr. L. Visser (Director)

Date

## Appendix 1 Memorandum of Understanding – Kyrgyzstan

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Recognising the policy option to provide access to other plant genetic resources than listed in Annex 1 of the International Treaty under the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement, in order to enhance both access and benefit-sharing.

In full compliance with national policy and regulations regarding access and benefit-sharing in Kyrgistan and the Netherlands respectively,

Agree that this policy will also be adopted to regulate the future access by users to germplasm that is to be collected in Kyrgistan, transferred to the Netherlands under the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement, and included in the CGN collections in the framework of a joint collecting project,

Decide to adopt the terms and conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement for the distribution to third parties of vegetable germplasm, including *Daucus*, to be collected by the Innovative Center of Phytotechnology National Academic of Science and the Centre for Genetic Resources, the Netherlands in 2015.

the Innovative Center of Phytotuchnology National Academic of Science, Kyrgyz Republic

Dr. K. T. Shalpykov

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## Appendix II. Expedition collecting form

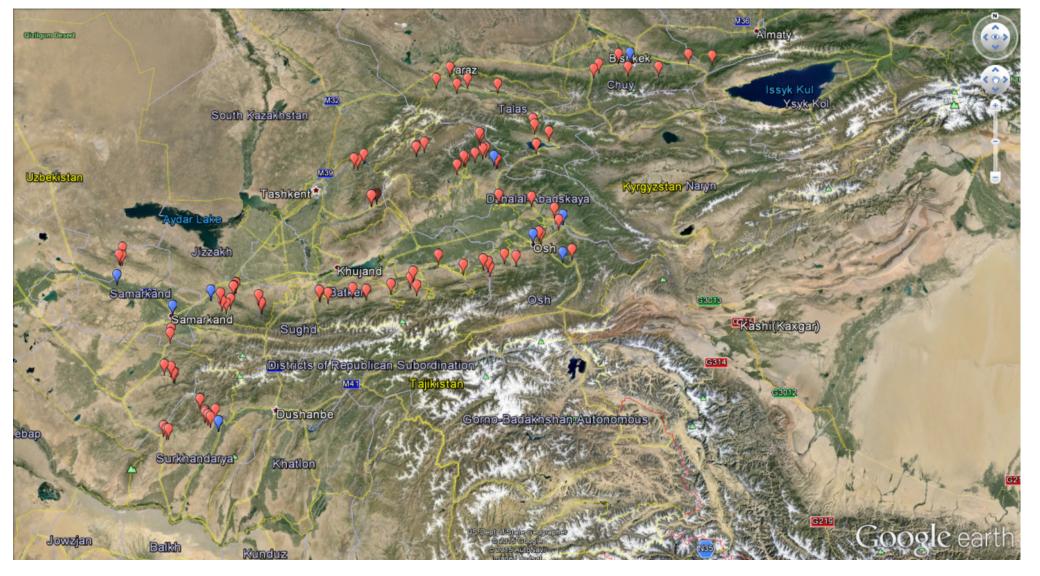
14) Desert/tundra 15) Aquatic habitat

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DatePhot	to number
Crop nameCultin	var name
Latin species name	
Locality	
LatitudeLongitude	Altitude
Number of plants in population abundantfre	quentoccasionalrare
Number of plant sampled abundantfree	quentoccasionalrare
Topographyswampflood plainlevelund	dulatinghillysteepmountainous
Biological status of accession	
100) Wild	20) Farm or cultivated habitat
110) Natural	21) Field
120) Semi-natural/wild	22) Orchard
	<ol><li>Backyard, kitchen or home garden</li></ol>
200) Weedy	24) Fallow land
	25) Pasture
300) Traditional cultivar/landrace	
500) A d	30) Market or shop
500) Advanced/improved cultivar	CO) Was districted as auditable behitet
	60) Weedy, disturbed or ruderal habitat 61) Roadside
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Collecting/acquisition source	02) Tield margin
10) Wild habitat	
11) Forest/woodland	REMARKS
12) Shrubland	(diseases, pests, other)
13) Grassland	

## Appendix III. Map of locations where collecting took place

Collecting numbers, KEKxxx and LVKxxx, are indicated for the *Daucus* material collected in Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan respectively. Red symbols indicate wild populations and blue symbols landraces.



## Appendix IV. List of accessions collected

Passport data of *Daucus* accessions collected in Uzbekistan (KEKxxx) and Kyrgyzstan (LVKxxx). 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; Population size: abundant: > 100 plants, frequent: 50-100 plants, occasionally: < 50 plants.

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107 381-385

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107 390

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from Namangan, yellow carrot; local name Mushki

mixture red/yellow seeds?; local name: Kysyl mischki; seller: Khakibes

local landrace; red carrot; name Diloram

RNR	collecting number	country	photo map photo nr	date	species name given during expedition	nearest Iocality name	latitude	longitude	altitude (m) population	type topography	collecting	population size	number of plants sampled sampled remarks
150294	KEK132	UZB	107 394-395	4-8-2015	carota	Nilu	38°24.931'	067°49.729'	683 W	level	field margin	frequent	15 apple/apricot garden; plants with ripened seeds and plants still flowering
150295	KEK133	UZB	107 396-397	4-8-2015	carota	Sangardak-1	38°31.883'	067°34.631'	1167 W	undulating	aquatic habitat	frequent	26 along rivulet
150296	KEK134	UZB	107 400-401	4-8-2015	carota	Sangardak-2	38°31.998'	067°34.418'	1153 W	undulating	orchard	abundant	25 apple orchard; 5 m above river, 5% of plants with ripened seeds
150297	KEK135	UZB	107 411-412	5-8-2015	carota	Boyson	38°09.576'	067°06.121'	1082 W	undulating	orchard	abundant	38 apple orchard, flowering and ripened
150298	KEK136	UZB	107 423-424	5-8-2015	carota	Chigatoy	38°56.015'	066°56.523'	859 W	undulating	field margin	abundant	18 vineyard; all plants with ripened seeds
150299	KEK137	UZB	107 425-426	5-8-2015	carota	Pinji	38°54.604'	067°03.481'	1015 W	level	orchard	abundant	20 apple orchard, many flowering plants, also ripened seeds
150300	KEK138	UZB	107 427-429	6-8-2015	carota	Kaltagul-1	38°50.235'	067°07.718'	1526 W	hilly	grassland	abundant	17 half flowering half with ripened seeds
150301	KEK139	UZB	107 430-431	6-8-2015	carota	Kaltagul-2	38°50.585'	067°06.490'	1296 W	undulating	orchard	abundant	26 many ripened
150302	KEK140	UZB	107 432-433	6-8-2015	carota	Samarkand-1	39°39.719'	066°58.780'	L		market		from Akdarja; local name: Mushtum; red carrot
150303	KEK141	UZB	107 432-433	6-8-2015	carota	Samarkand-2	39°39.719'	066°58.780'	L		market		from Akdarja; local name: Mirzoi; yellow carrot
150304	KEK142	UZB	107 434-435	6-8-2015	carota	Samarkand-3	39°39.708'	066°58.807'	L		market		from Urgut; local name Mirzoi; red carrot
150305	KEK143	UZB	107 434-435	6-8-2015	carota	Samarkand-4	39°39.708'	066°58.807'	L		market		from Urgut, local name Mirzoi, yellow carrot
150306	KEK144	UZB	107 437-438	6-8-2015	carota	Chubar	39°49.787'	067°45.419'	926 W	level	backyard	abundant	15 flowering + ripened
150307	KEK145	UZB	107 439	6-8-2015	carota	Jadik	39°45.849'	067°55.853'	1206 W	undulating	field	abundant	20 many flowering , few ripened
150308	KEK146	UZB	107 440-441	7-8-2015	carota	Jum-jum	39°42.460'	067°51.962'	1481 W	level	orchard	abundant	15 many flowering , few ripened
150309	KEK147	UZB	107 444-445	7-8-2015	carota	Mugol	39°43.942'	067°47.706'	1270 W	level	orchard	abundant	12 apple orchard; many flowering , few ripened
150310	KEK148	UZB	107 450-452	7-8-2015	carota	Toza Uruk-1	39°51.848'	067°35.542'	L		shop		from broker; Namangan area; 120 days red cultivar; name cv: Shantoon
150311	KEK149	UZB	107 450-452	7-8-2015	carota	Toza Uruk-2	39°51.848′	067°35.542'	L		shop		from broker; Namangan area; name cv Shantoon-mixed seeds; 90 days cv
150312	KEK150	UZB	107 450-452	7-8-2015	carota	Toza Uruk-3	39°51.848'	067°35.542'	L		shop		from broker; Namangan area; local name: Shantoon, 70 days yellow carrot cv
150201	LVK001	KGZ	107 458-459	12-8-2015	carota	Bishkek-1	42°52.479'	074°34.200'	L		market		Osh bazar; landrace from Alexandrovka; local name: Carotelle
150202	LVK002	KGZ	107 458-459	12-8-2015	carota	Bishkek-2	42°52.479'	074°34.200'	L		market		Osh bazar; landrace from Alexandrovka; yellow carrot
150203	LVK003	KGZ	107 460-461	14-8-2015	carota	Gavrilovka	42°52.125'	074°22.240'	737 W	level	field margin	frequent	14 flowering + ripened
150204	LVK004	KGZ	107 462-463	14-8-2015	carota	Myrake	42°44.626'	074°01.143'	972 W	level	roadside	frequent	17 flowering + ripened
150205	LVK005	KGZ	107 464-465	14-8-2015	carota	Sosnovka	42°40.443'	073°55.394'	1120 W	level	field margin	abundant	17 flowering + ripened
150206	LVK006	KGZ	107 466-467	14-8-2015	carota	Chichkan	42°01.310'	072°50.893'	1310 W	undulating	roadside	abundant	25 many flowering, few ripened
150207	LVK007	KGZ	107 468-469	14-8-2015	carota	Toktogul-1	41°56.812'	072°52.465'	1063 W	level	shrubland	abundant	20 half flowering half with ripened seeds
150208	LVK008	KGZ	107 471-472	15-8-2015	carota	Tortkent	41°50.696'	073°06.584'	982 W	level	field margin	frequent	22 most ripened
150209	LVK009	KGZ	107 474-475	15-8-2015	carota	Toktogul-reservoir	41°41.219'	072°53.530'	1116 W	level	roadside	frequent	27 few ripened
150210	LVK010	KGZ	107 484-486	15-8-2015	carota	Kara-tit	41°30.784'	072°14.682'	1124 W	undulating	grassland	frequent	22 many ripened, but also unripened
150211	LVK011	KGZ	107 489-490	15-8-2015	carota	Tegene	41°30.942'	072°13.400'	1027 W	undulating	roadside	abundant	16 most ripened
150212	LVK012	KGZ	107 491-494	15-8-2015	carota	Kichi Ak Jol	41°33.096'	072°10.900'	908 L	undulating	field	abundant	25 field with carrot landrace; all ripened seeds
150213	LVK013	KGZ	107 495-496	15-8-2015	carota	Kizil Tuu	41°39.943'	072°03.049'	903 W	undulating	roadside	abundant	17 many ripened, but also unripened

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	LVK014	KGZ	107 506-507	16-8-2015 carota	Sary Chelek lake	41°51.531'	 071°56.774'	1626 W	hilly	forest/woodla			along road on forest margin; few ripened
150215	LVK015	KGZ	107 508-509	16-8-2015 carota	Arky	41°49.112'	071°57.444′	1285 W	undulating	shrubland	abundant		most ripened but also flowering plants
150216	LVK016	KGZ	107 510-513	16-8-2015 carota	Aflatun	41°39.094'	071°59.916'	956 W	level	roadside	frequent		along river; ripened + unripened
150217	LVK017	KGZ	107 514-517	16-8-2015 carota	Jerge-Tal	41°35.767'	071°52.116'	1182 W	level	roadside	abundant	33	many ripened, but also unripened
150218	LVK018	KGZ	107 518-519	16-8-2015 carota	Padysh-Ata-1	41°32.688'	071°42.382'	1480 W	undulating	wild habitat	abundant	20	flowering + ripened plants
150219	LVK019	KGZ	107 522-523	16-8-2015 carota	Padysh-Ata-2	41°33.670'	071°40.830'	1461 W	hilly	field	abundant	21	many ripened, but also unripened
150220	LVK020	KGZ	107 531-532	16-8-2015 carota	Japa-Saldy	41°27.011′	071°34.082'	1340 W	level	field margin	frequent	13	ripened + unripened seeds
150221	LVK021	KGZ	107 542-544	17-8-2015 carota	Jany Bazar-1	41°41.474'	070°53.030'	1524 W	undulating	grassland	frequent	26	few ripened, many flowering
150222	LVK022	KGZ	107 545-546	17-8-2015 carota	Aygyr-Djal	41°44.686'	071°01.246′	1648 W	level	grassland	frequent	20	many flowering, some ripened
150223	LVK023	KGZ	107 547-549	17-8-2015 carota	Jany Bazar-2	41°42.302'	070°53.562'	1551 W	undulating	grassland	abundant	17	along river; fl+unripe+rip
150224	LVK024	KGZ	107 555-556	18-8-2015 carota	Burgondu	41°03.212'	072°15.186'	574 W	undulating	field margin	abundant	20	all plants with ripened seeds
150225	LVK025	KGZ	107 557-558	18-8-2015 carota	Kyarma	41°00.697'	072°47.266'	731 W	level	field margin	abundant	20	fl+unripe+ripe
150226	LVK026	KGZ	107 559-560	18-8-2015 carota	Ozgorush	40°51.555'	073°09.299'	1097 W	level	field margin	abundant	20	fl+unripe+ripe; most ripe; margin of wheat field
150227	LVK027	KGZ	107 561-563	18-8-2015 carota	Ozgen-1	40°46.167'	073°17.401'	L		market			yellow variety; name seller: Ulmaghan; origin close to Ozgen
150228	LVK028	KGZ	107 561-563	18-8-2015 carota	Ozgen-2	40°46.167'	073°17.401'	L		market			red variety; name seller: Ulmaghan; origin close to Ozgen
150229	LVK029	KGZ	107 561-563	18-8-2015 carota	Ozgen-3	40°46.167'	073°17.401'	L		market			yellow variety ; name seller: Hatanjan; origin close to Ozgen
150230	LVK030	KGZ	107 567-568	18-8-2015 carota	Kurshab	40°42.480'	073°13.008'	967 W	undulating	field margin	abundant	20	fl+unripe+ ripe seeds
150231	LVK031	KGZ	107 569-570	18-8-2015 carota	Karman	40°34.009'	072°53.494'	986 W	level	field margin	abundant	20	unripe+ripe seeds
150232	LVK032	KGZ	107 571-572	19-8-2015 carota	Osh bazar-1	40°32.422'	072°47.721'	L		market			red variety; from Andyan
150233	LVK033	KGZ	107 571-572	19-8-2015 carota	Osh bazar-2	40°32.422'	072°47.721'	L		market			yellow variety; from Andyan
150234	LVK034	KGZ	107 577-578	19-8-2015 carota	Madi	40°32.685'	072°55.360′	1066 W	level	field margin	abundant		many ripe seeds, but also flowering plants
150235	LVK035	KGZ	107 582-583	19-8-2015 carota	Kata Kaldik	40°17.764'	073°15.510′	2042 L	level	field	frequent	5	landrace from farmers field along M41
150236	LVK036	KGZ	107 586-687	19-8-2015 carota	Gulca	40°19.821'	073°24.529'	1542 W	hilly	grassland	frequent		flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150237		KGZ	107 588-589	20-8-2015 carota	Borbash	40°16.169'	072°30.878′	1376 W	level	field margin	frequent	18	flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150238	LVK038	KGZ	107 590	20-8-2015 carota	Kok-Jar	40°18.088'	072°19.742'	1236 W	level	field margin	abundant		flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150239		KGZ	107 591-592	20-8-2015 carota	Uch-Kurgan	40°12.570'	072°03.947'	1007 W	level	orchard	abundant		peach orchard; flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150240		KGZ	107 593-594	20-8-2015 carota	Kara-Jigach	40°08.725'	072°05.721′	1101 W	undulating	pasture	abundant		flowering+ripe+unripe seeds; few ripe seeds
150241		KGZ	107 595-596	20-8-2015 carota	Shady	40°10.856'	071°40.364′	851 W	undulating	field	abundant		flowering+ripe+unripe seeds; most ripe seeds
150242		KGZ	107 597-598	20-8-2015 carota	Oph	40°18.454'	071°16.265′	531 W	level	field margin	abundant		all plants with ripened seeds
150243		KGZ	107 603-604	20-8-2015 carota	Bathken-1	40°06.056	070°52.225′	967 W	level	field	abundant		maize field and apricot orchard; all ripened seeds
150244		KGZ	107 605-606	21-8-2015 carota	Bathken-2	40°01.702'	070°49.686'	1082 W	level	field margin	frequent		maize field; all ripened seeds
150245	LVK045	KGZ	107 607-609	21-8-2015 carota	Kara Bulak	39°55.770'	070°55.847'	1550 W	steep	grassland	abundant	20	flowering+unripe+ripe seeds

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150246	LVK046	KGZ	107 612-614	21-8-2015	carota	Koktash	39°56.939'	070°31.227'	1140 W	level	field	abundant	2	o field in between maize and apricot field; flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150247	LVK047	KGZ	107 615	21-8-2015	carota	Leylek	39°52.867'	070°07.642'	1662 W	level	field margin	frequent	1	.5 young apple plantation; flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150248	LVK048	KGZ	107 618-619	21-8-2015	carota	Isfana	39°50.591'	069°30.939'	1229 W	level	field margin	frequent	2	wheat field next to rivulet; flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150249	LVK049	KGZ	107 620-622	21-8-2015	carota	Ak-Suu	39°52.370'	069°22.332'	992 W	undulating	field	abundant	2	tomato field; all ripened seeds
150250	LVK050	KGZ	107 623-625	21-8-2015	carota	Suu-Bash	39°51.631'	069°23.042'	1073 W	level	field	abundant	2	115 m above a rivulet; fl+unripe+ripe seeds
150251	LVK051	KGZ	107 628-629	22-8-2015	carota	Korgon	39°54.260'	069°54.457'	1010 W	level	field margin	abundant	2	o along maize field and along rivulet
150252	LVK052	KGZ	107 630-631	22-8-2015	carota	Markax	40°14.406'	071°59.362'	858 W	level	field margin	abundant	2	10 flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150253	LVK053	KGZ	107 640-641	24-8-2015	carota	Talas	42°30.463'	072°15.922'	1264 W	level	fallow land	frequent	2	10 unripe+ripe seeds
150254	LVK054	KGZ	107 642-644	24-8-2015	carota	Boo Terek	42°35.327'	071°44.801'	919 W	level	roadside	frequent	1	.5 unripe+ripe seeds
150255	LVK055	KGZ	107 645-646	24-8-2015	carota	Chong Kara Buura	42°31.234'	071°33.831'	1110 W	level	wild habitat	abundant	2	10 along river; all ripened seeds
150256	LVK056	KGZ	107 649-650	24-8-2015	carota	Amanbaev	42°36.034'	071°12.449'	999 W	level	weedy habitat	frequent	2	12 flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150257	LVK057	KGZ	107 651-652	24-8-2015	carota	Kok Dodo	42°45.379'	071°26.355'	736 W	level	field	abundant	2	0 all plants with ripened seeds
150258	LVK058	KGZ	107 670-671	27-8-2015	carota	Kashka-Su	42°40.932'	074°30.979'	1425 W	level	weedy habitat	frequent	2	10 flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150259	LVK059	KGZ	107 672-674	27-8-2015	carota	Kizil-Arik	42°39.938'	075°02.728'	1295 W	level	backyard	abundant	2	1 flowering+ripe+unripe seeds
150260	LVK060	KGZ	107 675-676	28-8-2015	carota	Kemin	42°49.058'	075°34.816'	1024 W	level	farm habitat	abundant	2	22 mostly ripe seeds
150261	LVK061	KGZ	107 677-678	28-8-2015	carota	Jangi-Jol	42°46.811'	075°59.480'	1520 W	level	field margin	abundant	2	1 wheat field; all ripe seeds

