Selection Criteria for Most Appropriate Accessions

Report for the Brassica Working Group

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Application of Selection Criteria to Brassica Crops

- Points raised in a Brassica WG discussion held in Olomouc, June 2007

- Refinements/additions suggested to maximise use and relevance for Brassica crops
Thoughts on Primary Criteria

- ‘in the public domain’
  - Political issues in different countries
- ‘genetically unique’
  - How is this assessed?
- Agronomic/historic/cultural importance
  - Educational and genetic importance should be addressed
- European origin/importance
  - All material of potential importance in Europe?
Thoughts on Secondary Criteria

- Maintained in Country of Origin – of highest priority
  - *Collecting location also important for landrace/wild material*

- Pilot study required

- Other issues
  - *Hybrid varieties*
  - *GMO contamination*
  - *Lack of data on regeneration/seed health*