

Missouri Botanical Garden DNA Bank Material Transfer Agreement

The Missouri Botanical Garden (MBG) releases samples only under specific conditions to support appropriate research activities. Samples in MBG's DNA Bank have been collected for and will be released solely for the purpose of supporting phylogenetic studies that examine the relationships of plants or for studies aimed at improving our understanding of evolution. Samples will not be made available for bioprospecting endeavors, screening for genes of potential interest in applied research, or any other commercial application.

In order to defray a portion of the costs of processing, maintaining and distributing samples from MBG's DNA Bank, a contribution of \$US25.00 per sample supplied is charged. For students who lack adequate funding, a request for a partial or complete waiver may be submitted to the Curator of the Herbarium by the student's major professor. Under exceptional circumstances, a waiver may be granted to other researchers.

As a condition of release of samples, the applicant formally agrees to abide by the terms and conditions stated above and also agrees to:

- 1) Obtain prior approval from the Curator of the Herbarium before passing material obtained from MBG and/or DNA extracted from such material to any third party. This will be accomplished by the third party completing a new Material Transfer Agreement.
- 2) Acknowledge the Missouri Botanical Garden DNA Bank in all publications in which material provided by MBG is used. Acknowledge the individual collector(s) of each sample used.
- 3) Publish research findings and results jointly with Garden staff members or their foreign collaborators whenever appropriate.
- 4) Register sequence data with GenBank and/or EMBL Nucleotide Sequence Database.
- 5) Provide the Curator of the Herbarium with reprints from all publications in which material obtained from MBG and/or extracted DNA obtained from such material was used.
- 6) Acknowledge that the material is provided by MBG without any warranty of any kind whatsoever.

I hereby certify that I have read and understand the above terms and conditions and agree to abide by them in full.

Printed Name: _____

Institution Name and Acronym: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please provide the following information for each sample requested:

- Taxon Name
- Family
- TROPICOS Specimen ID
- Geography
- Collector & Number

If multiple samples are requested, provide this information in a spreadsheet.

The Missouri Botanical Garden reserves the right to refuse to provide samples from the DNA Bank for any reason, at its sole discretion.

Send the completed MTA and specimen list to:

Curator of the Herbarium, Missouri Botanical Garden, P.O. Box 299, St. Louis, MO 63166-0299, USA
Fax: (314) 577-0820