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> State Scientific Institution "Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus"

Access to genetic resources

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus has considered a letter of the State Scientific Institution "Institute of Genetics and Cytology of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus" of April 26, 2019 No. 271-08/492 and does not object to the transfer of 1000 samples of Antarctic organisms (fragments of tissues, bodies or thalli) to the Centre for Biodiversity Genomics, Canada, for scientific research.

We draw your attention to the fact that in order to comply with the requirements of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity the Republic of Belarus acceded to by the Decree of the President of the Republic of Belarus of May 22, 2014 No. 235 and to obtain a permit for the genetic resources' transfer, you should provide detailed information on the genetic resource and the form of its use (commercial and/or non-commercial), as well as confirmation that Mutually Agreed Terms between the provider and user of genetic resources have been concluded.

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