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**The National Herbarium of Georgia at the Institute of Botany, Ilia State University, Georgia**

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The National Herbarium of Georgia at the Institute of Botany of Ilia State University, Tbilisi, is one of the oldest (1845) herbaria in the Caucasus. It is included in Index Herbariorum under the code “TBI”.

The Herbarium contains collections of nomenclature types, the Caucasian, Middle Asian, Iranian-Turkish, European, Paleotropical, Grossheim’s collections as well as collections of plants of Tbilisi environments, introduced plants (at Batumi, Sokhumi, Tbilisi Botanical Gardens), and the duplicate fund.

The total number of the herbarium specimens exceeds one million, while the number of nomenclatural types exceeds 1000. An important direction in the work of the Herbarium in 2014-2018 has been a survey of the monocot specimens stored at the Herbarium and their arrangement in compliance with modern taxonomy and nomenclature on the basis of electronic databases and relevant monographies. Other important directions include creation of a virtual herbarium of target collections, establishment of a Georgian-English database, herbarium specimen barcoding and promotion of their use at the international level. An exchange program for duplicate material with various leading world centers will become active, promoting, in its turn, replenishment of the herbarium fund.

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