

The weekly newsletter from the Botany Department at Trinity College Dublin

News & Publications

- **John Parnell's** appearance on *Mooney Goes Wild*, talking together with **Sean Moffat** and **Eanna ni Lamhna** about the Ellen Hutchins exhibition currently running in the foyer to the Anatomy Building, is available on a podcast at <http://www.rte.ie/radio1/mooney/programmes/2017/0219/853358-mooney-goes-wild-sunday-february-19th-2017/?clipid=2407297>.
- **Sukontip Sirimongkol**, Botany Ph.D. student, gave a talk presenting her research at the *Conference on taxonomy and evolutionary plant morphology dedicated to 85 anniversary of V.N.Tikhomirov*, which took place at the Lomonosov Moscow State University from January 31st to February 3rd.
- **Anne Dubéarnès**, Botany Ph.D. student, gave a talk last week to present her research at the Herbarium of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, as part of a three weeks **SYNTHESYS**-funded visit to Kew and the Natural History Museum in London.



Publication

- The paper entitled 'Plant community ecology of petrifying springs (Cratoneurion) - a priority habitat' by **Melinda Lyons** (former Ph.D. Student) and **Daniel Kelly**, which is now in press with the journal *Phytocoenologia*, has been selected by the Chief Editors as "Editors' Choice paper" of the upcoming issue. This means that it will be open access for 12 months following publication. We shall also have a 'nice spring photo' from Melinda on the cover of the issue!

Conference early-bird reminder



Botany, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland are organising an international conference on endophytes, called **SUSTAIN: Endophytes for a Growing World, 28-29 August 2017**.

The two-day conference will be centred on the core themes of manipulating the plant microbiome for sustainable plant production in a changing world. The conference will highlight cutting-edge research using endophytes and will synthesise the most promising approaches to endophyte supported plant production. Early-bird registration is now open. Further information may be found on the conference website <https://www.tcd.ie/Botany/sustain2017/sustain2017.php>.

PHYTOBYTES needs your input, yes you!

Whether you are student or staff, please send any news you have, big or small, to Anne (dubearna@tcd.ie) with the subject heading Phytobytes. Let's share the latest news and always be aware of what is happening at Botany!