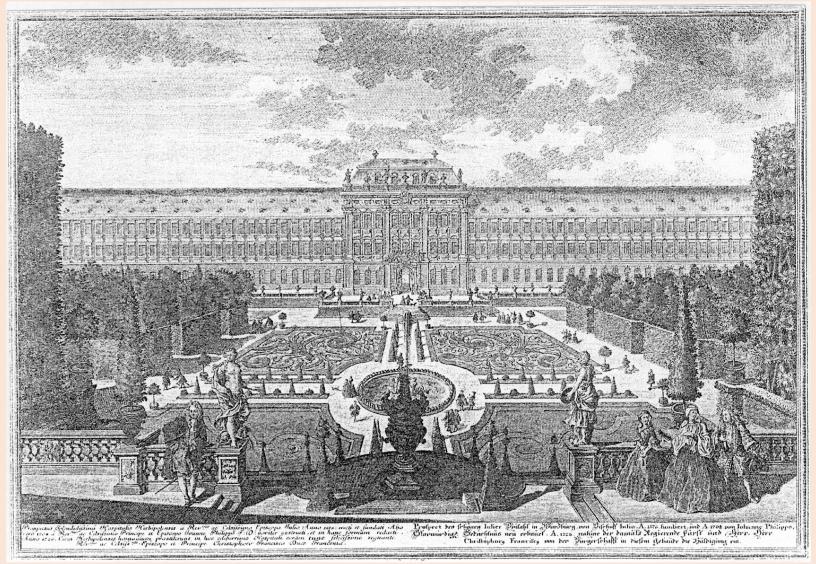






The beginnings



Juliusspital (municipal hospital)

Hortus medicus

Engraving by S. Kleiner around 1725





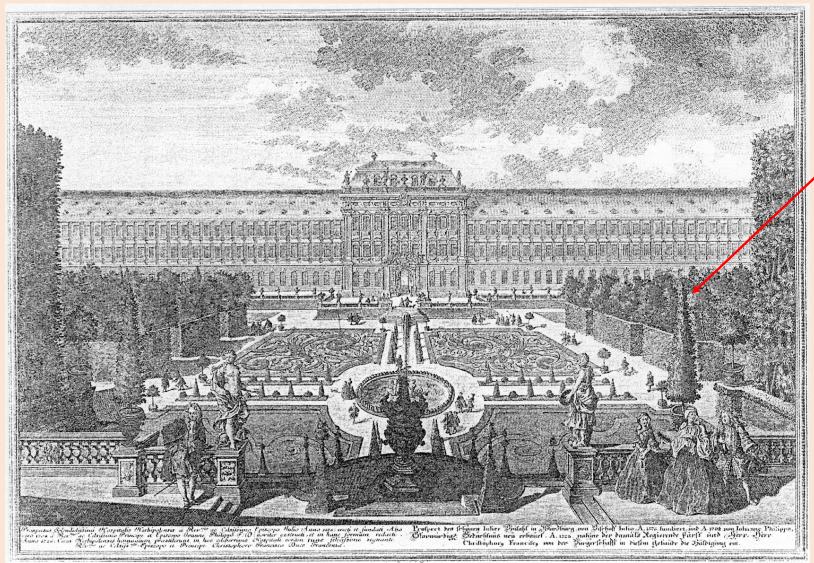
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August 6, 1696 signed by Prince-Bishop Johann Gottfried II von Guttenberg (1684-1698)



The Old Botanical Garden



Juliusspital (municipal hospital)

Botanical Garden

Faculty of Medicine

since 1850 Faculty of Natural Sciences

since 1972 Faculty of Biology

Engraving by S. Kleiner around 1725





The catastrophe: March 16, 1945







BOT NISCHER
GARTEN
Universität Würzburg

Relocation starting in 1960: Former clay pit and old abandoned vineyard





Establishment finished ca. 1971





Some data

Outdoor area

Greenhouse area

Staff

9 ha

2,500 m²

+- 15 gardeners

1 technical manager

1 scientific curator: Dr. Gerd Vogg





A multispecies garden

Number of species 8,940

with 12,000 accessions

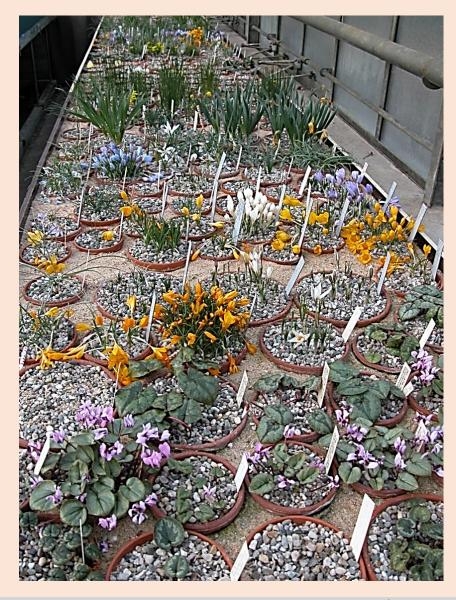
Genera 2,352

Families 363

from all vegetation zones

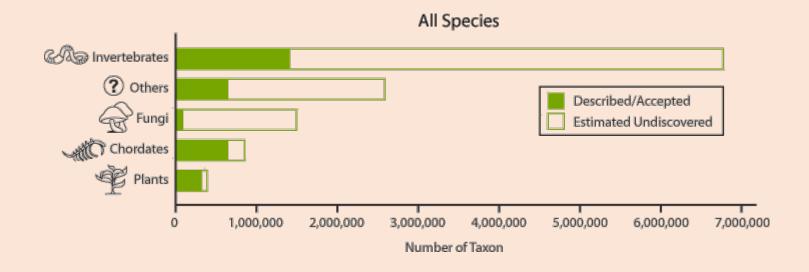
and continents

(except Antartica)





A multispecies world



435,000 land plant species on Earth about 40% "exceedingly rare": observed and recorded less than five times



Biodiversity

a measure of variety of life on Earth at

- genetic (genetic variability)
- species (species diversity)
- ecosystem (ecosystem diversity)
 level.

More than 99.9% of all species that ever lived on Earth, amounting to over five billion species, are estimated to be extinct.

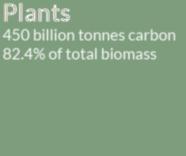


Life on Earth: the distribution of all global biomass

Biomass is measured in tonnes of carbon. The global distribution of Earth's biomass is shown by group of organism (taxa).



Global biomass: 546 billion tonnes of carbon





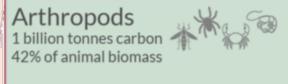


Fungi
12 billion tonnes carbon
2.2% of total biomass

Archaea
(single-cell microbes)
8 billion tonnes carbon
8 billion tonnes carbon
Protists (Single-bomass

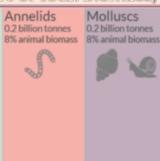
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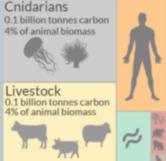
Animal biomass: 2 billion tonnes of carbon (0.4% of total biomass)



Fish
0.7 billion tonnes carbon
29% of animal biomass







Humans 0000 billion tonnes, carbon 25.55 of arinal biomass 0001 biol total biomass

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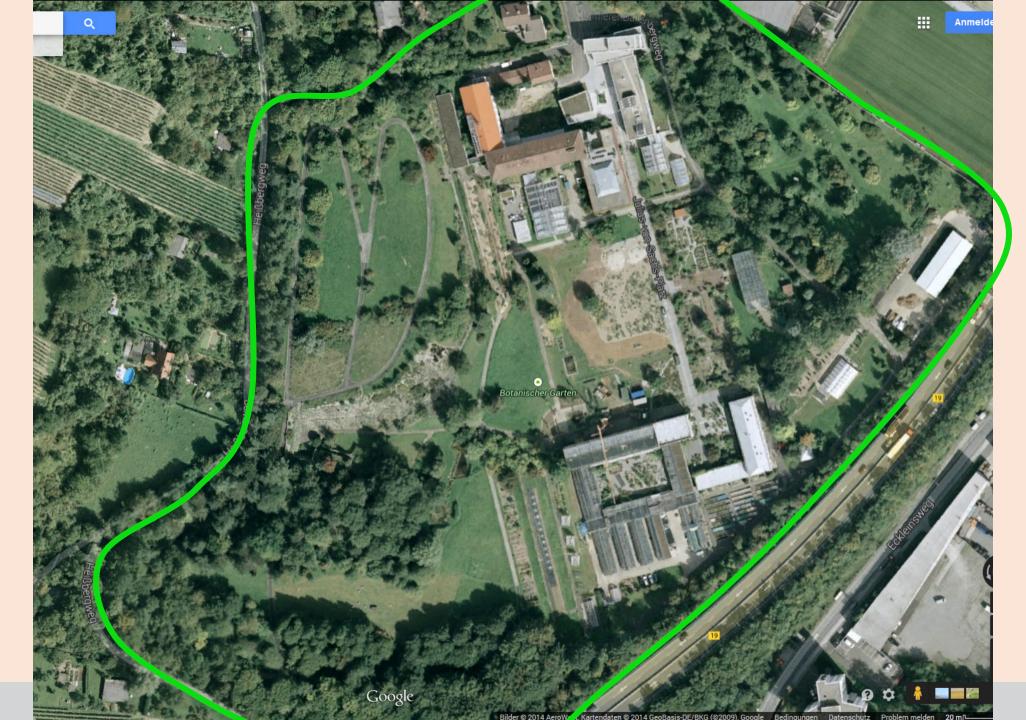
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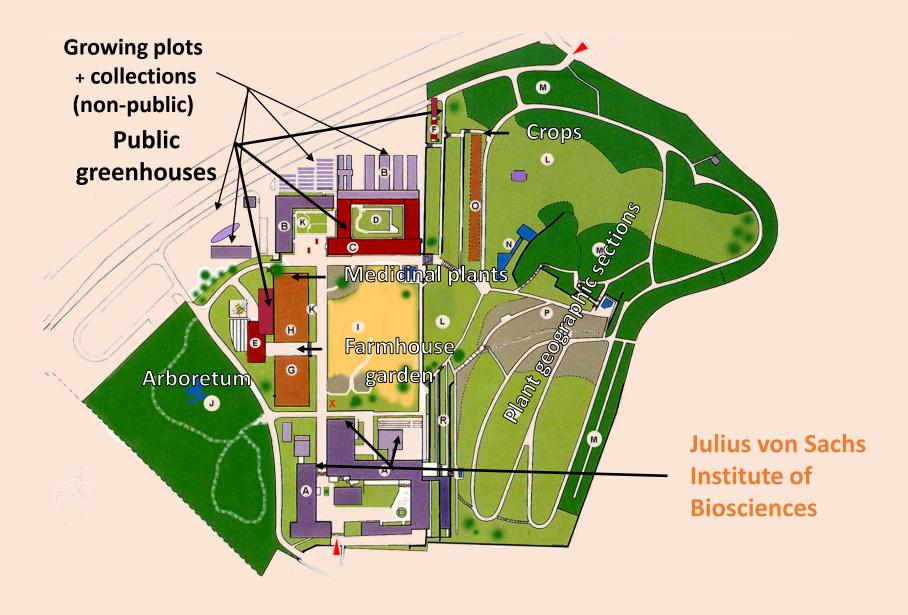
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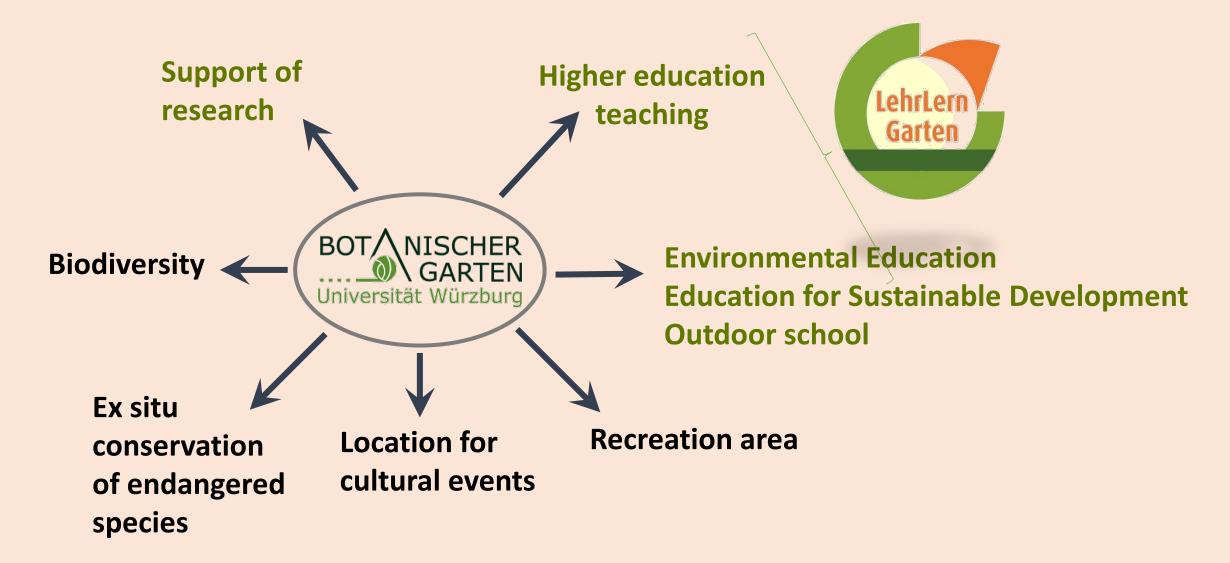








Why do we actually need a botanical garden?





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