

RESEARCH REGARDING THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE GENETIC PATRIMONY CONCEPT IN POULTRY BREEDING

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Countries with advanced animal husbandry technologies have created genetic reserves in the form of gene banks, with the purpose of conserving all the species and breeds in these countries, as well as genetic scientific creations (varieties, lines) resulted from their own selection activity. Countries like England, Denmark and France occupy the primmy positions in the hierarchy of countries with well maintained and diverse national gene banks, ofwhich some are over 100 years old. As to the number of conserved species and breeds, France holds the top spot, FAD's statistics showing that it has 100 breeds, varieties and lines of chicken, 9 breeds, varieties and lines of ducks, 12 breeds, varieties and lines of geese and 3 breeds of turkey.