

Conservation strategies of the culinary-medicinal mushroom *Pleurotus nebrodensis* (Basidiomycota, Fungi)

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Pleurotus nebrodensis (Inzenga) Quéf.

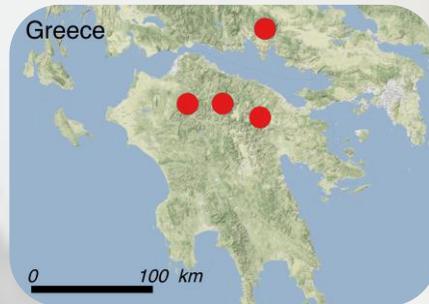
is one of edible mushrooms species most appreciated by consumers for his organoleptic characteristics [1].

In vitro experiments have demonstrated the inhibition ability of colon cancer cell proliferation [2] and the antibacterial activity expressed on several pathogen bacteria of medical relevance [3].

This species was reported with a distribution restricted to Sicily and continental Greece



Madonie Regional Park
(Sicily, Italy)



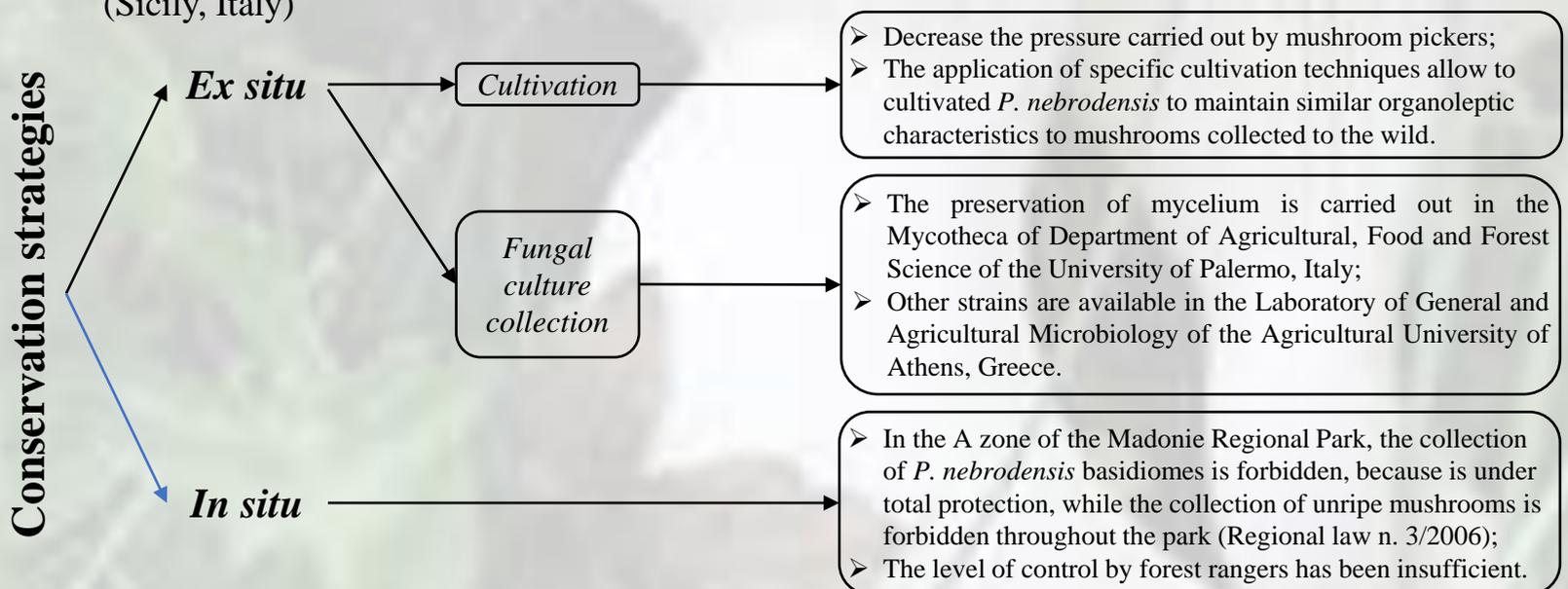
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Field surveys carried out in the area of distribution over the years have confirmed a decrease in the number of *P. nebrodensis* basidiomes during the fruiting period[4].



Inclusion on IUCN Red List of Threatened Species as
“**Endangered (EN)**”



The preservation of *P. nebrodensis* is even more necessary today if we refer to the benefits that the extracts of this culinary-medicinal mushrooms have on human health.

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