Seeking oats with black caryopses for research

Alexander Rybalka is a cereal chemist at the Plant Breeding and Genetics Research Institute in Odesa, Ukraine. He has initiated projects using cereals with black caryopses to produce germplasm with enhanced levels of fibre. Projects with wheat and barley have been initiated, but so far he has not been able to acquire any oat accessions with black caryopses. He would very much appreciate any leads on acquiring some of these "black oats". Please note that black <u>caryopses</u> (groats) are what is desired, NOT just black hulls!

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Thank you!

- George Fedak, November 2024.