SUMMARY

Metaplantation of the twinflower Linnnea borealis L. in the Jaksonek nature reserve in Central Poland

Continuing regression of the twinflower Linnaea borealis has been observed in the Jaksonek nature reserve where this species is one of principal objectives of conservatory protection. The main cause of the natural population decline is regeneration of Querco roboris-Pinetum phytocoenoses. It reflected i.a. in a significant increase in compactness of tree and shrub layers which results in a drastic limitation of sunlight supply at the ground level. In order to preserve the threatened population, active protection measures (ex situ) have been planned and executed, consisting in moving some of the plants to a coniferous forest phytocoenosis with ecological conditions that were more favourable for the development of Linnaea borealis. The metaplantation was carried out in 1997-98 and was successful. After several years, the area occupied by the twinflower on secondary localities showed on average a tenfold increase.