

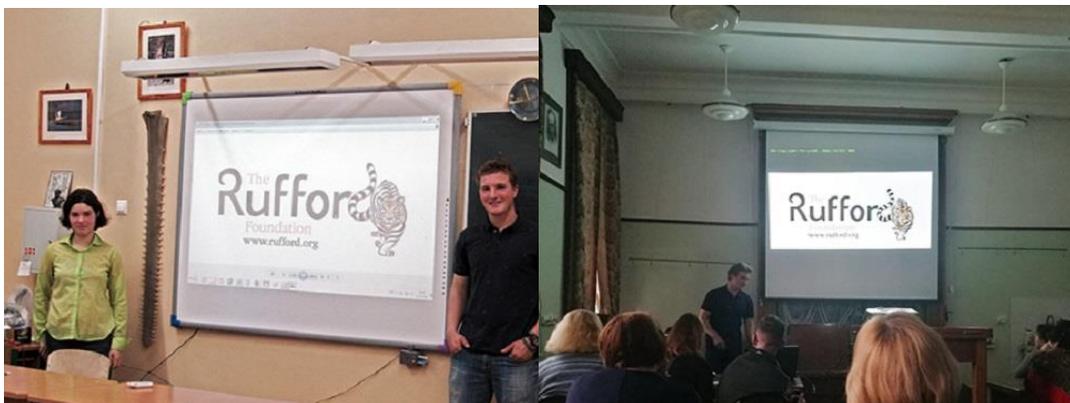
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Detailed study of the materials we collected revealed a number of floristic findings. The most valuable is buttercups we supposed to be *Ranunculus bongardii* actually are *R. uncinatus* which is a new species for flora of Russia. A scientific article about this and 29 other findings on the Mednyj Island is prepared for submitting to a peer-review journal.

We also made a row of presentations about the project. Yury Kopylov-Giskov, Nikita Tikhomirov and Maria Ivanova made a presentation on a scientific conference in the Moscow South-West High School No. 1543. A video of this presentation we uploaded to YouTube video hosting (https://youtu.be/SriM_C92a60) and sent the link to our colleagues including those in the Kamchatka region. In addition Nikita Tikhomirov made a presentation on meeting of the Department of Higher Plants (Lomonosov Moscow State University, faculty of Biology) and Polina Volkova made a popular presentation in the ARHE Center (Moscow; <http://arhe.msk.ru/?p=26455>).



Ranunculus uncinatus (earlier determined as *R. bongardii*) – a new species for flora of Russia



Left: Nikita Tikhomirov and Maria Ivanova on a scientific conference in the Moscow South-West High School No. 1543. Right: Nikita Tikhomirov on meeting of the Department of Higher Plants (Lomonosov Moscow State University, faculty of Biology).