

Topic: Managing collections identifiers and metadata in the GBIF Registry of Scientific Collections

Date: 2022 January 25

Time: 12 PM Eastern

In Attendance

Ben Norton, NCMNS	Lindsay Walker, NHMLA	Erica Krimmel, iDigBio/FSU
Christina Byrd, MCZ	Nicole Volden, NMMNH	Talia Karim, CUMNH
Jessica Cundiff, MCZ	Amanda Millhouse, NMNH	Jessica Nakano, NMNH
Jessica Utrup, YPM	Cynthia Carr	Cat Chapman, iDigBio/UF
Margaret Landis, OMNH	Jacob Van Veldhuizen, CUMNH	Holly Little, NMNH
Suzanne Mills, CM		

Resources

- Paleo Data Working Group [Google Folder](#)
- Paleo Data Working Group [wiki page](#) with schedule of upcoming Happy Hours
- GBIF Registry of Scientific Collections (also known as GRSciColl) [Overview](#)
- GBIF blog post: [What are the flags "Collection match fuzzy", "Collection match none", "Institution match fuzzy", "Institution match none" and how to remove them?](#)

Agenda

- Homework - see the beginning of [this slide deck](#) for a guided introduction to your collection's metadata in the GBIF Registry of Scientific Collections (also known as GRSciColl).
 - Enter the homework responses for your collection into [this google sheet](#).
- Discuss homework together, including ideals vs. what metadata is currently published.
- Discuss catalog number formatting, and how our catalog numbers align with Darwin Core fields (institution code, collection code, etc.).

Action Items

- We briefly discussed being frustrated by GBIF's ability to only search on exact matches for catalog number. This question is now documented on the GBIF Community Forum here: <https://discourse.gbif.org/t/searching-on-catalogue-number/3202>.

Notes

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Chat Copy

09:02:25 From Erica Krimmel to Everyone:

Shared notes for today:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Jj_NoHb0nxUVs1GYknzjdGxfEHc4SaypCVt-3UQTRM4/edit?usp=sharing

09:12:54 From Erica Krimmel to Everyone:

Shared notes for today:

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09:16:42 From Lindsay Walker to Everyone:

It's like that here as well

09:16:50 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

Same here

09:19:09 From Erica Krimmel to Everyone:

right! the historical legacy of institutional acronyms adds a lot of complexity.

09:20:05 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

We have been encouraging folks to publish are specimens as YPM IP xxxxx, but some of the old legacy publications just say "#14 from Yale collection" (where 14 is just a field number.

09:21:55 From Holly Little to Everyone:

we have PU too!

09:23:56 From Suzanne Mills to Everyone:

Talia ugh!

09:25:11 From Suzanne Mills to Everyone:

sounds time-consuming...

09:25:18 From Erica Krimmel to Everyone:

That's a great (i.e. so annoying) use case, Jessica

09:26:56 From Suzanne Mills to Everyone:

Sounds like many of us face confusing issues around specimen numbers!

09:27:06 From Talia S. Karim (She/Her) to Everyone:

100%

09:28:47 From Erica Krimmel to Everyone:

Talia, for your feather example would the digital data about that specimen be curated by Jacob in VP?

09:28:48 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

We still have conodonts because VP won't take them...

09:29:00 From Talia S. Karim (She/Her) to Everyone:

Yes, but they currently aren't cataloged

09:29:08 From Talia S. Karim (She/Her) to Everyone:

Lol Jess

09:29:18 From Amanda Millhouse to Everyone:

Our IP also has the conodonts....I'm okay with that 😊

09:29:35 From Christina J Byrd to Everyone:

@jessica what? why not?

09:29:39 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

It's like half a drawer - it doesn't take up much space!

09:30:00 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

Apparently moving your whole collection and redesigning the museum takes up lots of time...

09:30:09 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

They don't have time for conodonts yet!

09:30:50 From Amanda Millhouse to Everyone:

For us it's more historical....and yeah, no one has time for conodonts lol

09:31:00 From Christina J Byrd to Everyone:

Lol. I thought there was a crazy historical reason

09:31:11 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

@Amanda Ha! So true!

09:31:33 From Christina J Byrd to Everyone:

I kinda like them. I'll take them off your hands!

09:31:41 From Amanda Millhouse to Everyone:

So it has been, so it shall ever be....one of VERY few times you will ever see me endorse that thinking lol

09:31:57 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

@Christina - they were here before we knew they were vertebrates (although seriously, it's been like thirty years now!)

09:32:18 From Christina J Byrd to Everyone:

@amanda Hahah!

09:32:18 From Jessica D. Cundiff to Everyone:

@Christina, do you want my conodonts? We only have a few in MCZIP and they are not cataloged.

09:32:42 From Christina J Byrd to Everyone:

Of course!

09:32:50 From Lindsay Walker to Everyone:

I just put some conodonts in our IP type coll. Sigh

09:32:53 From Jessica Utrup to Everyone:

@Jessica - nice way to slide this in!

09:33:12 From Christina J Byrd to Everyone:

They are Vertebrata. They should be in my collection. :)

09:33:32 From Cat Chapman - (she/her/hers) to Everyone:

there was also an import of the iDigBio US Collections List into GrSciColl - but *most* of the duplicates from that import have been resolved...key word "most" 😊

09:34:10 From Jessica D. Cundiff to Everyone:

@Christina, okay we can add that to our to-do list.

09:34:43 From Christina J Byrd to Everyone:

@JessicaC Sounds good. Looking forward to it.

09:36:43 From Erica Krimmel to Everyone:

Here is a link to that spreadsheet (also linked from the slides):https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nKLBVYAUzKxGqzqd9cvSf_Qj8xDCILgfaUc8yVO1Vc/edit?usp=sharing

09:38:10 From Erica Krimmel to Everyone:
cool!

09:38:15 From Talia S. Karim (She/Her) to Everyone:
Very cool!

09:38:19 From Holly Little to Everyone:
yes! That's great!

09:58:03 From Erica Krimmel to Everyone:
That's a great/terrible warning

09:58:08 From Holly Little to Everyone:
it's interesting to me that you can't just put a portion of the information in the query on catalogNumber too

09:59:34 From Holly Little to Everyone:
Also maybe a good feature change request for GBIF?

10:00:18 From Lindsay Walker to Everyone:
+1

10:00:38 From Cat Chapman - (she/her/hers) to Everyone:
cchapman@floridamuseum.ufl.edu

10:00:44 From Suzanne Mills to Everyone:
I'll be in touch, Cat! Nice to see you today.

10:00:50 From Cat Chapman - (she/her/hers) to Everyone:
thanks all!