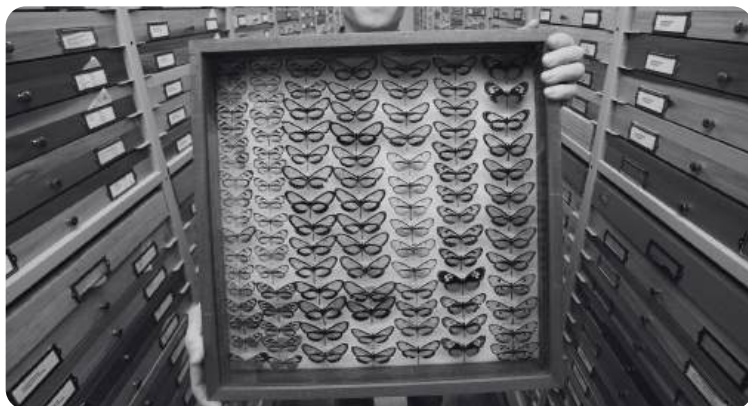




Speeding Up Digitization

Botany

Mass digitization projects, like the Botany Digitization Conveyor at the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History or the Mass Herbarium Digitization Project at the Royal Botanical Gardens Kew, speed up the labor-heavy process of digitizing botany collections. At their peak these projects are imaging 10s of thousands of specimens a week.



Entomology

The Lepidoptera of North America Network (LepNet) and the Big-Bee initiative, both sponsored by the National Science Foundation, have digitized and made publicly available over 1 million entomological collections that can be used by the public and scientific communities.

Marine and Freshwater

InvertEBase and the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, in collaboration with many other institutions, have led an effort to digitize millions of aquatic arthropod and mollusk collections from six major U.S. museums.



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