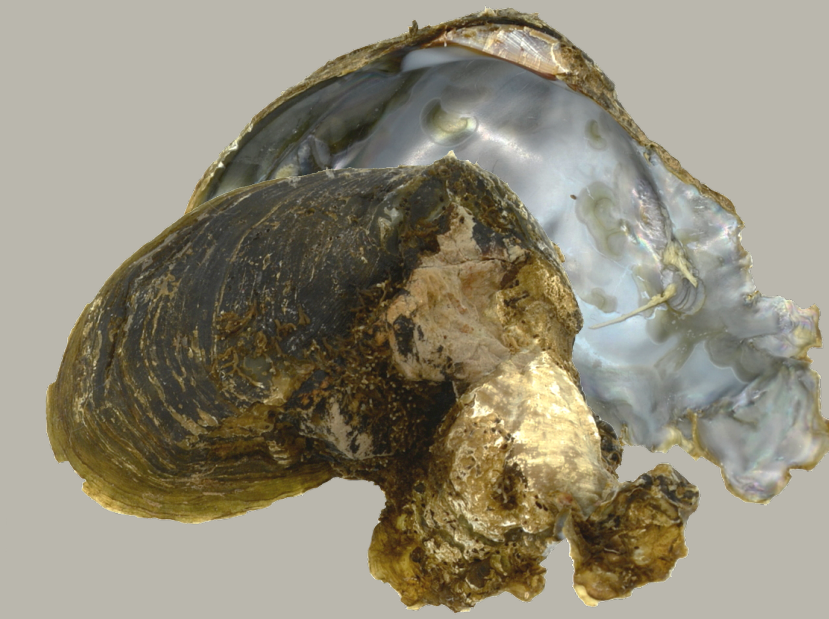


# THE ILLINOIS NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY MOLLUSK COLLECTION: Databasing and Digitization

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## The INHS Mollusk Collection Fun Facts & Figures

- ◆ Is a combination of the former University of Illinois Museum of Natural History (UIMNH) & INHS Collections
- ◆ 485,000 cataloged specimens in over 87,000 lots
- ◆ 57% bivalves, 41% gastropods, 2% other
- ◆ 67% freshwater; 20% marine or brackish; 13% terrestrial
- ◆ Over 99% have been identified to species and the names referenced to a source
- ◆ All of the catalogued lots have been databased and 90% have been geo-referenced
- ◆ We have about 400 type lots: 200 freshwater gastropods, 150 terrestrial gastropods, and 50 freshwater bivalves
- ◆ The collection is strong in Unionoida (43,000 lots), freshwater and terrestrial gastropods from the Eastern U.S. and , Central and South America
- ◆ Recently acquired the John Tucker Cone Collection (6,000 lots)
- ◆ Collections date from 1850-present
- ◆ Our greatest needs are space (we are currently in 5 rooms) & new cabinets
- ◆ Our Data are managed in Filemaker Pro 14<sup>®</sup> and served on the web via a Symbiota Portal
- ◆ We have nearly 3,000 lots with images served on the Great Lakes Invasives TCN Portal & over 800 on the Mussel Project (MUSSELp) web site

