



# Building Digital Collections

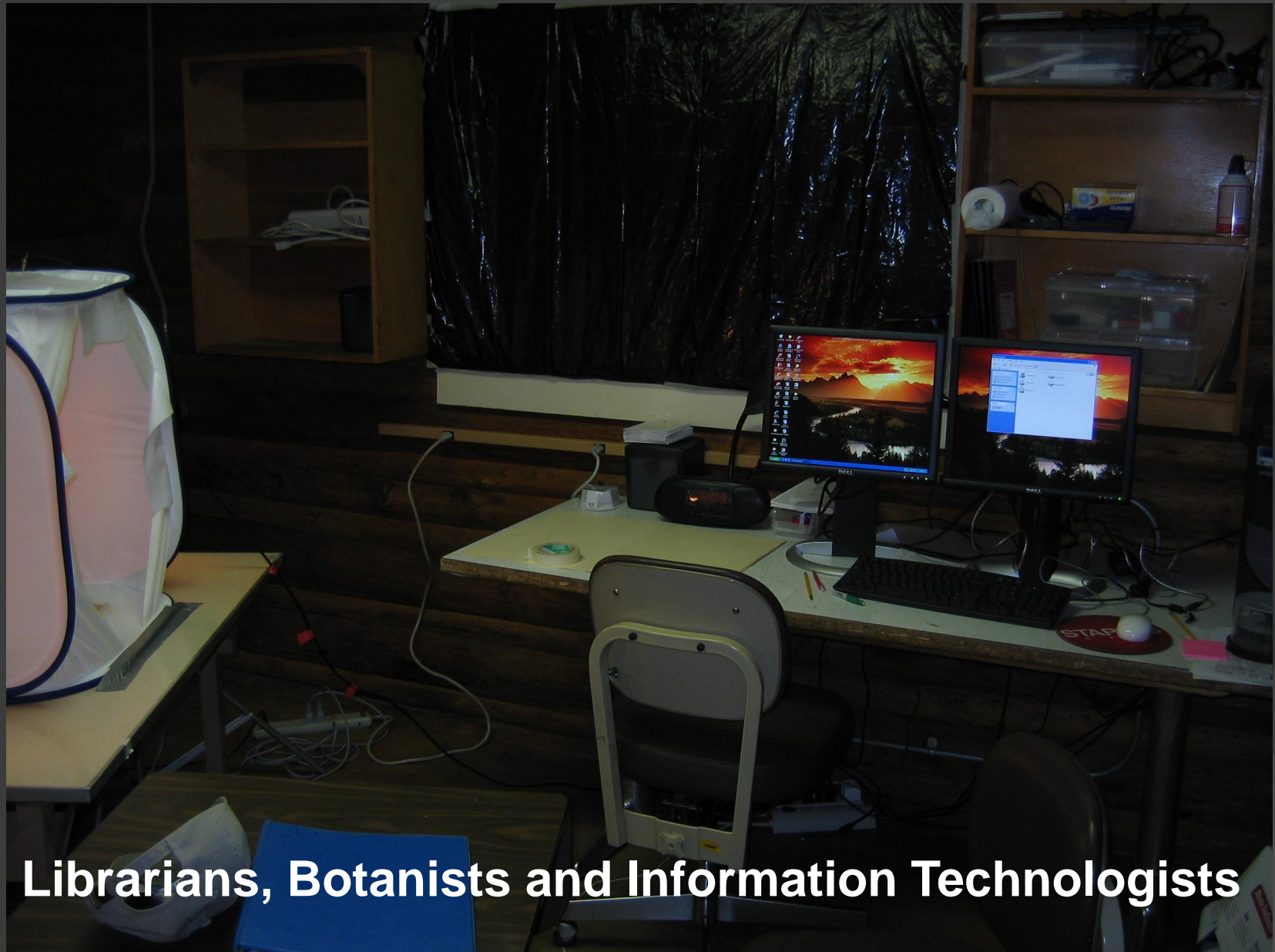
## *Learning Through Practice*

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**Librarians, Botanists and Information Technologists**

## What is a *Herbarium*?

A herbarium is analogous to a **library**.

In place of books on shelves, it contains carefully prepared specimens of plants housed in cabinets.

## What is a *Virtual Herbarium*?

It can be considered to be a herbarium in digital form. Increases the availability to a wider audience.

# Digitization of Herbarium Specimens

a Collaborative Project

Grand Teton National  
Park

*Iliamna rivularis*

Wild Hollyhock



# Specimen Information

WICA 15524

Plants of Wind Cave National Park, South Dakota

Family Malvaceae

Genus Althaea

Species Althaea rosea Cav. hollyhock  
(Scientific) (Common)

Habitat or Graphic Location \_\_\_\_\_

HWY 385 right-of-way.

SW1/4 of NW1/4 of NE1/4

Section 35 Township T5S Range R5E

Date August 6, 2003 Collector Marie M. Curtin

Identified M.M. Curtin Verified \_\_\_\_\_

Herbarium Data

Scientific name

Specimen No.

Collector

Collection Date

Habitat description

Geographic location

Annotated

Controlled Vocabulary  
Physical Curation



# Natural History Collections



- ◎ Card Catalog (Physical)
  - Local
- ◎ Database (Digital)
  - Local
- ◎ Web portal (Digital)
  - Regional / Global

# Rocky Mountain Herbarium Database

RMH

RM Herbarium Database/Data Entry and Editing

**GTNP Data**

Sci Name:  Pic:  Record Needs Att.

Annotated Name:  Coll Date:  Location Withheld

Spec. Needs Att.  Check Annotation

Misc Comments:  Att Note:

GENUS:  SPECIES:  AUTHORITY:  VARIETY/SSP:

SPECIESID	GENUS	SPECIES	AUTHORITY	VARIETY/SSP	GEN/SPP MODS	FAMCODE
castlina	Castilleja	linariifolia	Benth.			257

COUNTRY:  STATE:  COUNTY:  PLSS (T/R/S):  ELEVATION RANGE:  LANDOWNER:  LOCAACCU:

LOCALITY:

LATITUDE:  LONGITUDE:  UTM ZONE:  UTM EASTING:  UTM NORTHING:

HABITAT:

PLTDESC:  REPROD STATUS:

COLLECTOR	COLLNO	COLLECTED WITH	DATE	HERBARIUM	ACC. NO.
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Record:  of 1242

# GTNP Excel Spreadsheet

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	Catalog	Class	Class	Class 3	Class 4	Sci. Name	Genus [Sci. Name]	Description	Locality	Collection Da	Change Da
5440	GRTE 11293	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	LILIOPSI	CYPERACE	Carex paysonis Clokey	Carex pays	plant specimen	AMPHITHEATER CIRQUE	7/10/1962	1/7/1999
5441	GRTE 11294	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	LILIOPSI	JUNCACEA	Luzula piperi (Cov.) Jone	Luzula pip	plant specimen	RIDGE NORTH OF AMPHITHEATER LAKE	6/28/1961	1/7/1999
5442	GRTE 11295	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	LILIOPSI	ORCHIDAC	Corallorhiza maculata Raf	Corallorhi	plant specimen	ONE MILE UP INDIAN PAINTBRUSH CANYON TRAIL	7/7/1966	1/7/1999
5443	GRTE 11296	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	LILIOPSI	ORCHIDAC	Corallorhiza maculata Raf	Corallorhi	plant specimen	ON TRAIL FROM SQUARE G RANCH TO LEIGH LAKE	7/7/1956	1/7/1999
5444	GRTE 11297	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	LILIOPSI	ORCHIDAC	Corallorhiza mertensiana	Corallorhi	plant specimen	WEST OF COLTER BAY AMPHITHEATER	7/16/1967	1/7/1999
5445	GRTE 11298	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	LILIOPSI	ORCHIDAC	Corallorhiza striata Lind	Corallorhi	plant specimen, rare at site	NEAR THE BRIDGE AT BRADLEY LAKE	7/6/1967	1/7/1999
5446	GRTE 11299	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	LILIOPSI	ORCHIDAC	Listera caurina Piper	Listera ca	plant specimen	ON TRAIL TWO MILES UP INDIAN PAINTBRUSH CNAYON	7/7/1966	1/7/1999
5447	GRTE 2721	Biology	Thallophy	Eumycete		Peridermium coloradense	Peridermiu	Fungi specimen on Picea National catalog Note: 8/2001: Ther	Hobach Canyon 0.5 miles South East mouth Cliff 640		8/9/2001
5448	GRTE 2722	Biology	Thallophy	Eumycete		Stagonospora foliicola	Stagonospo	Fungi specimen on Graminae National catalog Note: 8/2001: T	2 miles North Jackson Lake Lodge Junction 6780'		8/9/2001
5449	GRTE 2724	Biology	Thallophy	Eumtcete		Thelephora terrestris	Thelephora	Fungi specimen on rotting conifer log National catalog Note	Signal mountain Lodge, GRTE		8/9/2001
5450	GRTE 4988	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	MAGNOLIO	APIACEAE	CYMOPTERIS LONGIPES S. WA	CYMOPTERIS	3 INCOMPLETE PRESSED SPECIMENS WITHOUT ROOTS	RENDEZVOUS PEAK, 1/4 MILE SOUTH OF TRAM	28-Jul-78	//
5451	GRTE 4989	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	MAGNOLIO	ASTERACE	CHRYSOTHAMNUS NAUSEOSUS (	CHRYSOTHAM	1 INCOMPLETE SPECIMENT WITH NUMEROUS FLOWERS BUT NO	1/2 MI. WEST OF EAST BOUNDARY ON ROAD WHICH PARALL	9-Jul-79	//
5452	GRTE 4990	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	MAGNOLIO	POLEMONI	LINANTHUS HARKNESSII (CUR	LINANTHUS	NATIONAL CATALOG NOTE 9/2001: CONDITION: COM/EX	SOUTH SIDE OF RIBBON FALLS ON TEEWINOT MOUNTAIN	26-Jun-79	//
5453	GRTE 4991	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	MAGNOLIO	SCROPHUL	CORDYLANTHUS RAMOSUS NUTT	CORDYLANTH	3 COMPLETE PRESSED SPECIMENS,	1/2 MILE WEST OF EAST BOUNDARY ON ELK RANCH ROAD	9-Jul-79	//
5454	GRTE 4992	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	MAGNOLIO	HYDROPHY	NEMOPHILA BREVIFLORA	NEMOPHILA	5 INCOMPLETE PRESSED SPECIMENS WITHOUT ROOTS -	FIRST SWITCHBACK GLACIER TRAIL 500 YDS., ABOVE BRA	7-Jul-79	//
5455	GRTE 4997	BIOLOGY	PLANTAE	MAGNOLIO	RANUNCUL	THALICTRUM FENDLERI ENGEL	THALICTRUM	2 COMPLETE PRESSED SPECIMENS,	COTTONWOOD CREEK BANK, HIGHLANDS RESIDENTIAL AREA	17-Jul-78	//



# Types of Metadata

## Descriptive

Author  
Collector  
Identifier  
Keywords  
Location  
GPS  
Abstract  
Accession  
Barcode  
URL

## Technical Structural

File Type  
Hardware  
Camera Info  
Geodetic Datum  
Interoperability  
Pagination  
XML

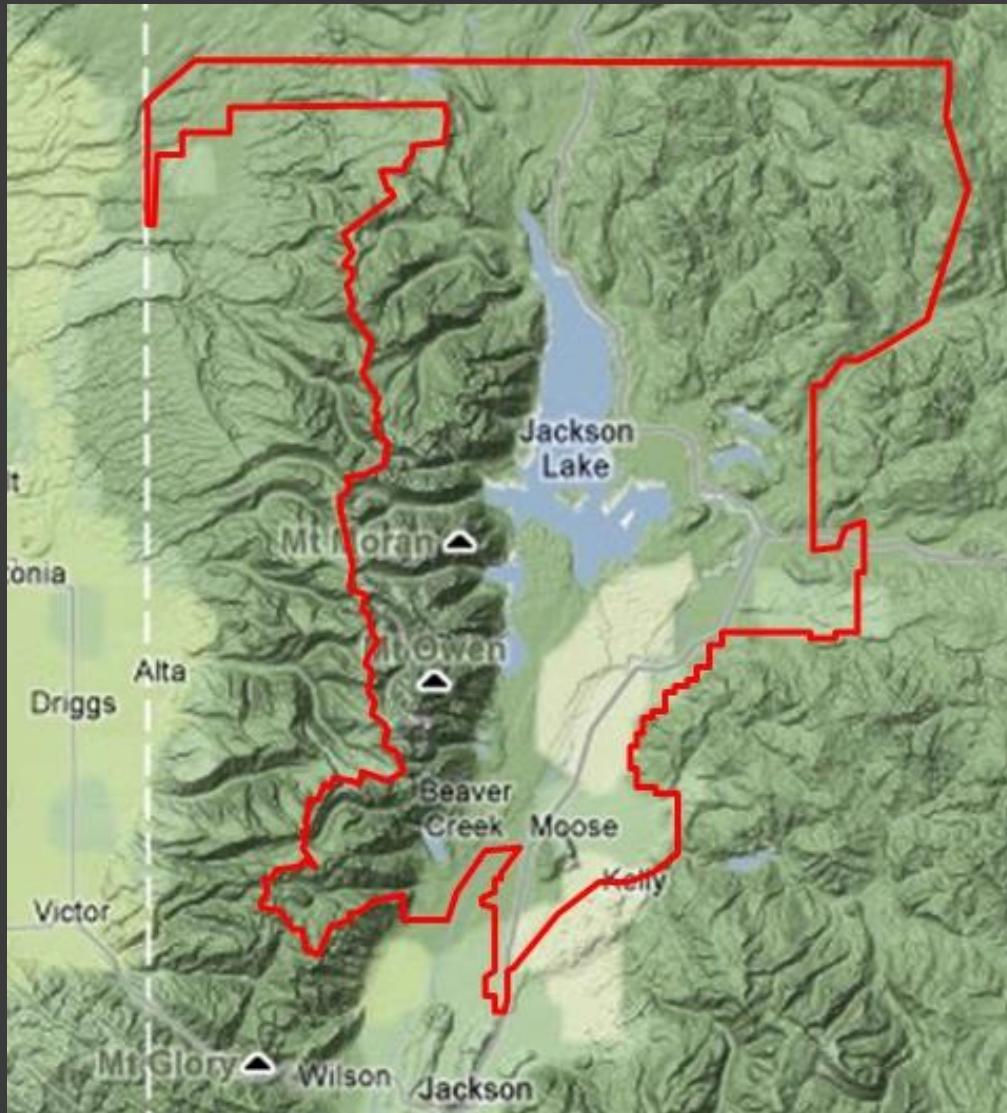
## Administrative

Property Rights  
Copy Right  
Preservation  
Archive  
Access









Location



# Map Viewer Code

```
# gmaptilerv02.py:
#
# Loops through images within a specified directory and creates tiles for each image for use in the GMaps Image Viewer.
# Tiles are named according to the template z_c_r.jpg where z = zoom level, c = column, r = row
# Tiles are either concatenated into a single physical file (.tjs file), or are stored as separate image files.
# If tiles are stored in a single .tjs file:
#   A text file is generated that contains image metadata and a list of tile byte locations and lengths within the .tjs file.
#   The .tjs file simply contains all the tiles bytes concatenated back-to-back in the order they are created (see code below).
#   An extraction script (tile.php or equivalent) is needed to pull individual tiles from the .tjs file when requested by the GMaps Image Viewer.
# If tiles are stored as separate image files:
#   A text file is generated that contains image metadata.
#   Tile image files are saved according to the naming convention described above.
#   The GMaps Image Viewer will simply request the static tiles; no extraction script is required.
# see README.txt for a description of the .tjs and metadata file structures.

#
# Author: Ben Legler, University of Wyoming Libraries
# 12/8/2009
#
#
# Requirements:
# 1) Python (tested with version 2.6)
#    (http://www.python.org/)
# 1) Python Image Library (PIL) (tested with version 1.1.6)
#    (http://www.pythonware.com/products/pil/)
# 2) ImageMagick, installed somewhere on the computer (tested with version 6.5.6-Q16).
#    (note: if PIL can open all your images then this dependency can be removed; to do so, edit lines 81-96)
#    (http://www.imagemagick.org/script/download.php)
#
#
# Example Windows command-line usage:
# C:\Python26\python.exe C:\wamp\www\gmapviewer\gmaptilerv02.py

# CONFIGURATION:

# Path to ImageMagick "convert" executable:
imageMagick_convert_path = "C:\wamp\ImageMagick-6.5.6-Q16\convert.exe";

# List of file types that will be sent to the image tiler:
# (This script should be able to handle any image file type recognized by ImageMagick)
# (This list is case-insensitive)
fileTypes = "\ (inline|bmp|png|gif|tif|tiff)$"
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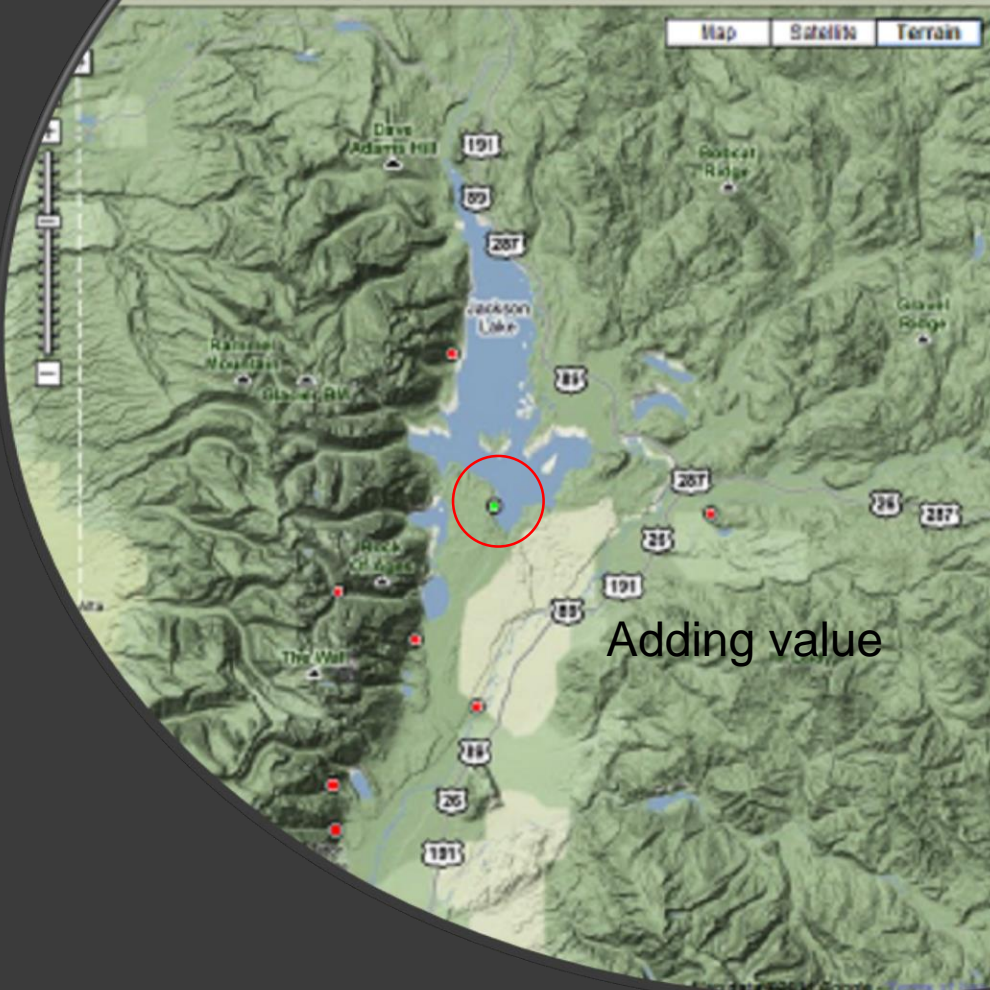
RM Herbarium Specimen Database. Accessing 764,794 specimen records.

Results

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Download:

10 specimens displayed.



Adding value

List	Details
Sort: Scientific Name   1-10	
2. <i>Fritillaria atropurpurea</i> Nutt. Liliaceae	U.S.A., Wyoming, Teton County: Grand Teton National Park and Vicinity: Jackson Hole: Jackson Lake shore at Spalding Bay, ca 12 air mi N of Moose; ca 9 air mi W of Moran. David Scott 151, 6/8/2006. with B. E. Nelson, Nancy Bockino Accession: RM 834308, Barcode: RM0011964
3. <i>Fritillaria atropurpurea</i> Nutt. Liliaceae	U.S.A., Wyoming, Teton County: Grand Teton National Park and Vicinity: Teton Range: east slope of Teewinot Mountain, ca 6 air mi NW of Moose; ca 14.5 air mi SW of Moran. David Scott 278, 6/9/2006. with B. E. Nelson, Nancy Bockino Accession: RM 834305, Barcode: RM0011981
4. <i>Fritillaria atropurpurea</i> Nutt. Liliaceae	U.S.A., Wyoming, Teton County: Grand Teton National Park and Vicinity: Teton Range: mouth of Open Canyon, ca 5.5 air mi W of Moose; ca 12 air mi NNW of Jackson. David Scott 326, 6/10/2006. with Nancy Bockino Accession: RM 834304, Barcode: RM0011960
5. <i>Fritillaria atropurpurea</i> Nutt. Liliaceae	U.S.A., Wyoming, Teton County: Grand Teton National Park and Vicinity: Jackson Hole: Jackson Lake shore at Spalding Bay, ca 16 air mi NE of Moran. David Scott 555, 6/10/2006. with Nancy Bockino Accession: RM 834306, Barcode: RM0011963



## University Libraries Digital Collections



Digital Herbaria Database

PLANTS OF GRAND TETON

### The Collection

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- [Digital Herbaria](#)
- [American Heritage Center \(AHC\)](#)

### Digital Research Collections at UW

#### WySR – Our New Wyoming Scholars Repository

Wyoming Scholars Repository (WySR) is a University of Wyoming Libraries service dedicated to preserving and providing open access to the scholarly and creative works of the University of Wyoming. WySR provides open access to works produced by University of Wyoming faculty, researchers, and students. The goals of WySR are to increase the visibility of UW's scholarship, encourage collaboration and innovation, and contribute to the ongoing development of new knowledge.

UW Libraries will work in partnership with university departments, programs, centers, and individual faculty members to select, submit, and manage repository content. Members of the academic community are invited to contribute their completed scholarship for long-term preservation and worldwide electronic accessibility. Archiving content in WySR is free and allowed by many publishers. Faculty and researchers may also choose to create a [SelectedWorks](#) homepage to highlight and share their scholarship with colleagues.





## Rocky Mountain Region Virtual Herbarium

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Herbarium collections provide valuable information for research, education, and conservation. They document a park's flora and the changes that may occur over time. Some plants are known to occur in a park only because of these historical collections.



SEARCH

RESULTS

SPECIMEN

**Search Criteria:** select what you know go together from possibilities below

Narrow search by selecting few things and then "updating search form." (empty fields collapse to almost zero size)

Institution

BAND  
DETO  
FOLA  
JECA

Family

Collector

Collection Date

Location:

County

Elevation Range

 to  feet

Search Results per Page

Search

Refine Search

Start Search Over



Center map to desired location. Enable rectangle then size/drag to cover desired area. Left click rectangle to get rid of it or right click to engage search of covered area.



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Institution

BAND

Family

Liliaceae

Scientific Name:

Genus

Streptopus

Specific Epithet

Species Authority

Subspecies

Subspecies Authority

Collector

Collection Date



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SEARCH

RESULTS

SPECIMEN

Number of Rows: 1

Change number of rows per page:  :Currently Showing 10 rows per page

LIST

MAP

INSTITUTION	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	ELEVATION	COLLECTOR	COLLECTION#	IMAGE
BAND	<i>Streptopus amplexifolium</i>	Not Given	0	B. Jacobs	6035	

[Admin site](#)



**Catalog Information:**

Database ID:  
4725

Created By:  
mlux1

Created Date:  
Feb 11 2013 12:39:01:00

Modified By:  
mlux1

Modified Date:  
Feb 11 2013 12:39:01:00

Institution  
Bandelier National Monu

Institution Code  
BAND

Barcode  
BAND1151

Catalog Number  
15579

Accession Number  
0

**Scientific Name:**

Family  
Liliaceae

Genus  
Lilium

Specific Epithet  
philadelphicum

Species Authority  
L.

Subspecies

Subspecies Authority

Variety

Variety Authority

Infraspecific Rank

Infraspecific Epithet

Annotation

Phenology  
Flower

Common Name  
Wood Lily

Type Status

**Collection:**

Collector  
B. Jacobs & E. Perkins

First name  
Brian

Middle Name  
F.

Last name  
Jacobs

Associated Collector  
E. Perkins

Collection Number  
003695

Collection Date (ending in yyyy)  
29-Jun-1987

Land Owner

**BIG ENTRIES**

## Picture

[Check Field Book](#)

## Habitat

Canyon bottom, under open  
Ponderosa pine in moist area.

## Location

Frijoles Canyon, Upper Crossing  
(and vicinity) Frijoles Canyon.  
Along trail from Upper Crossing  
to HQ. About 4 miles upstream of  
Headquarters.

June 28, 1957

BSTEP

BNM ~~the~~ Frigidus Canyon, along entrance road  
on steep downhill grade. Sandoval Co.

3683 Eragrostis  
grass ~~to~~ 3' panicles nodding, along road at  
sharp curve where stone wall formed guardrail.  
6350 ft.

3684 Mustard  
Rusty herb to 2 1/2 ft., with stout tap root, flower yellow.  
upper half of stem along mid. of steep curve where stone wall forms guardrail.

3685 Yellow clover  
Perennial herb from woody base to < 1 ft. flowers  
yellow, ~~upper~~ calyx lobes narrowly lanceolate-linear,  
purple. Bracts with strong ~~dark~~ leaden-lime color.  
on outside and above these Carol.

June 29, 1957

BSTEP

Frigidus CANYON

along trail from Upper Crossing to HQ.  
most canyon bottom, Sandoval Co.

3686 Galium  
Herb to 2 ft., flowers white, ~~upper~~ foliage with  
adhering hairs. 2 ~~miles~~ miles upstream HQ, 6300 ft.  
under open ponderosa forest.

3687 Compositae  
Herb to 2 ft. flower purple, 2 ~~miles~~ miles upstream  
HQ, under open ponderosa forest, 6300 ft.

3688 Mustard  
Herb to 2' flower white, moist meadow of canyon bottom  
2 1/2 miles upstream HQ, 6400 ft.

3689 Penstemon  
Herb to 4 ft., flowers sky blue, moist meadow at  
canyon bottom, 1/2 miles upstream HQ, 6400 ft.

3690 Borage  
Herb to 4 ft., flowers sky blue with white center,  
moist meadow of canyon bottom, 1/2 miles upstream HQ, 6400 ft.

3691 Hydrophyllum  
Herb to 2 1/2 ft., much branched from base, with  
immature fruit, style long + persistent, moist meadow bottom  
3 miles upstream HQ, 6500 ft.

3692 Ceanothus  
Herb to 2 ft., flowers yellow, w/ immature fruit  
3 miles upstream HQ, 6500 ft., streamside  
in full sun.

3693 Ranunculus  
Aquatic herb in shallow fast moving water and in  
full sun. ~~immature~~ petals white w/ yellow base,  
hull above water level on elongate peduncles.  
3 miles upstream HQ, 6500 ft., ~~near~~

3694 Clematis  
Vine in shrubbery along stream, flowers white.  
4 1/2 miles upstream HQ, 6800 ft.

3695 Wood Lily  
Herb to 2 1/2 ft., under open ponderosa in moist,  
undergrowth of brush above stream, 4 miles  
upstream HQ, 6800 ft. From a  
white hollow white at many small clustered bulbs  
inner side petals orange with purple spots at base, anthers  
red-brown. Also sited at ~6700 ft, 3 1/2 miles upstream  
HQ and in vicinity of "forks" of Taylor Creek, ~8000 ft. ~~at~~

3696 Mallow  
Herb to 3 1/2 ft., flowers white, streamside  
4 miles upstream HQ, 6800 ft.

3697  
Grass to 2 1/2 ft., 4 1/2 miles upstream HQ, dry slopes  
of canyon bottom, in open sun.

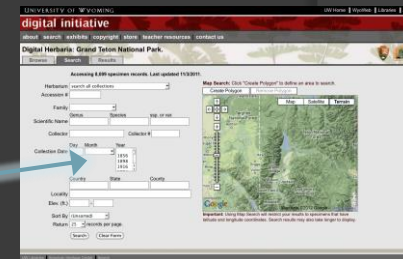
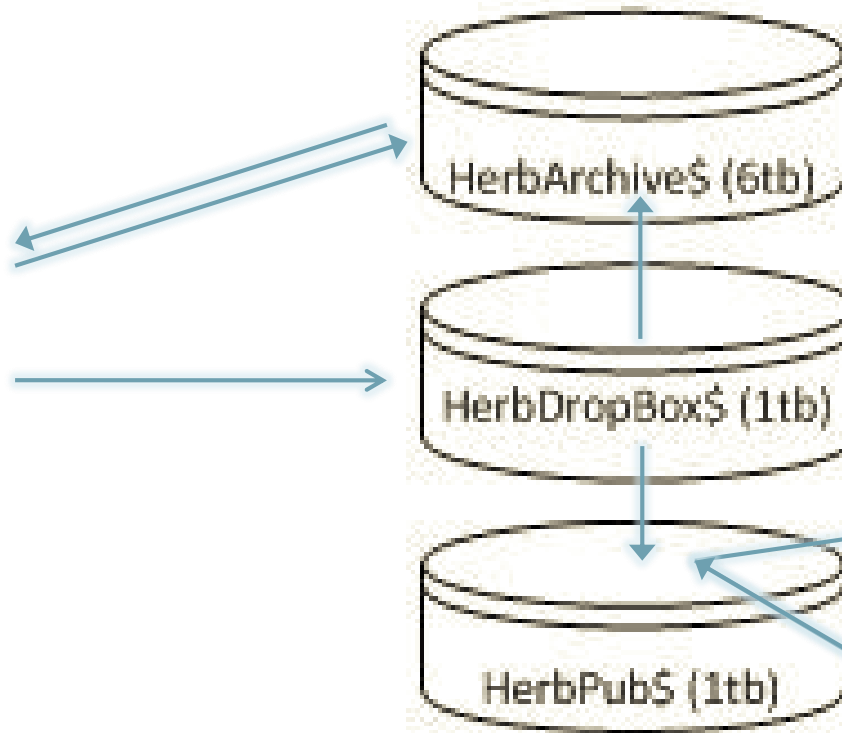
3698 Ranunculus  
Herb to 2 ft., flowers white, 4 1/2 miles upstream  
HQ, moist undergrowth along stream

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# Simplified Diagram of Herbarium Imaging IT Processes



HerbariaDC



Database



## Library expertise can help with:

- ⦿ Creation of long term repositories of digital content.
- ⦿ Add value, additional features, opens new applications and can inspire new ideas.
- ⦿ For current and future use by a world wide audience (scholars, historians, researchers ...).

# The digital curation lifecycle

Digital curation and data preservation are ongoing processes, requiring considerable thought and the investment of adequate time and resources.

You must be aware of, and undertake, actions to promote curation and preservation throughout the data lifecycle.



# Local to Regional to Global

## Library

- ⦿ Library catalog
  - UW Libraries
- ⦿ Regional catalog
  - Prospector
- ⦿ OCLC - world

## Herbarium

- ⦿ Local collection
  - RM
- ⦿ Regional collection
  - SEINet
- ⦿ GBIF

# It's all about access!

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN Herbarium**

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**RM Herbarium Specimen Database**

Browse Search Results

Accessing 768,124 specimen records. Last updated 4/20/2013.

Herbarium

Project Code  (usually, the project lead's last name)

Accession #  Barcode

Family

Genus  Species  ssp. or var.

Scientific Name

Collector  Collector #

Day  Month  Year

Collection Date

Country  State  County

Locality


Elev. (ft.)  -

Restrict results to specimens that have images.

Sort By

Return  records per page.

**Map Search:** Click "Create Polygon" to define an area to search.



**Important:** Using Map Search will restrict your results to specimens that have latitude and longitude coordinates. Search results may also take longer to display.

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## Welcome to SEINet

The Southwest Environmental Information Network was created to serve as a gateway to distributed data resources of interest to the environmental research community in Arizona and beyond. Through a common web interface, we offer tools to locate, access and work with a variety of data.

SEINet is more than just a web site - it is a suite of data access technologies and a distributed network of departments, museums and agencies that provide environmental information. Initially created to integrate databases within the Arizona State University, SEINet is growing to extend this network to other partners within the Southwest.

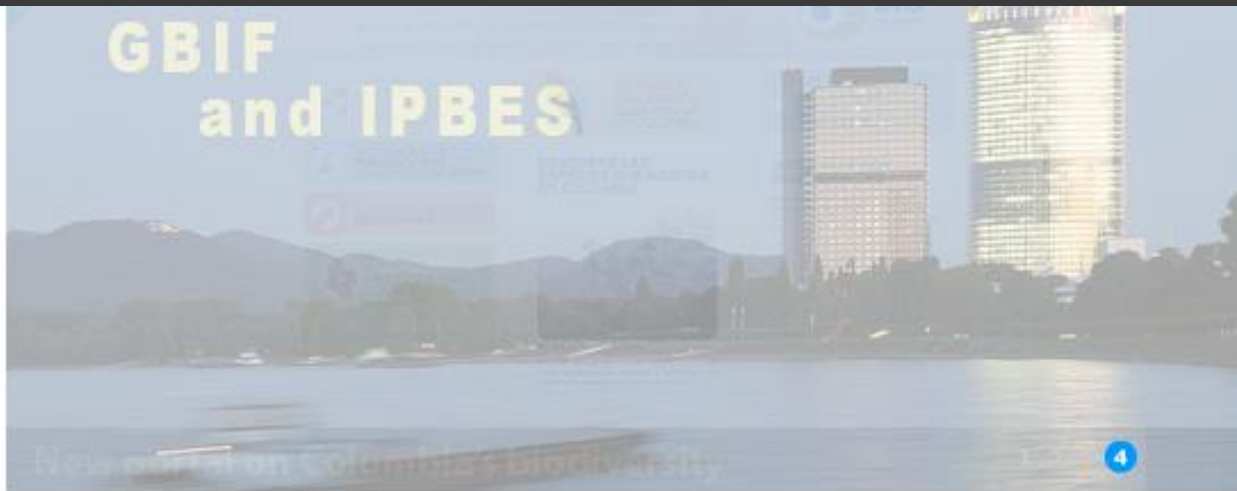
To learn more about the features and capabilities available through this site, read [Making Good Use Of SEINet](#) or visit the [Symbiota Help Pages](#). Join SEINet as a regular visitor and please send your feedback to [seinetAdmin@asu.edu](mailto:seinetAdmin@asu.edu). Visit the [Data Usage Policy](#) page for information on how to cite data obtained from this web resource.

Development of SEINet, Symbiota, and several of the specimen databases have been supported by National Science Foundation Grants (DBI 9983132, BRC 0237418, DBI 0743827, DBI 0847966)

## Plant of the Day



What is this plant?



**396,026,747** indexed records  
**10,004** datasets  
**464** publishers

[Access data portal](#)

The Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF) was established by governments in 2001 to encourage free and open access to biodiversity data, via the Internet. Through a global network of countries and organizations, GBIF promotes and facilitates the mobilization, access, discovery and use of information about the occurrence of organisms over time and across the planet.

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Brazil surveys data holdings and informatics capacity

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- Data Publishers

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- Governing Board
- Advisory Committees

**COMMUNICATIONS** ▶

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Select a collection

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# BIODIVERSITY INFORMATION SYSTEM



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and video file

## Home

BiodIS, K-State's Biodiversity Information System, is a collaborative project to expose information associated with the University's natural history collections to a diverse group of users. Based largely on the Herbarium and Museum of Entomological and Prairie Arthropod Research, BiodIS is a portal for users of all ages and fields who have an interest in or need for biodiversity data, including taxonomic, geographic, and ecological information, accompanied by a variety of digital resources.

BiodIS is a partnership between the Division of Biology, the Department of Entomology, and K-State Libraries, and is supported through a Targeted Excellence grant from the K-State Office of the Provost. Related funding has been provided by the National Science Foundation (NSF DBI-0544980), Kansas NSF-EPSCoR, and the Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station.

The Herbarium and Entomology databases utilize [Specify](#) 5.2.3 databasing software, and the BiodIS presentation interface utilizes [SilverCollection](#) web portal software.

## News

- [Herbarium in the News—Carnivorous Plants](#)
- [New Web Interfaces via Specify — Herbarium](#)
- [Great Plains Systematics Symposium a success](#)

## Gallery




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# You are not alone ....



Printed collections have always been able to survive benign neglect. Digital collections cannot.

Scholarship in the Digital Age: Information, Infrastructure, and the Internet by Christine L. Borgman