





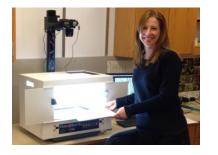
# Overview, progress and challenges



















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# Coordinating center for Advancing Digitization of Biodiversity Collections (ADBC)













- Researchers
- Educators
- General public, citizen scientists
- Policy-makers



- Respond to cyberinfrastructure needs
- Develop research, education and outreach collaborations
- Plan for long-term sustainability of the national digitization effort







- Efficient digitization standards and workflows have been developed
- Data are being digitized at 201 institutions funded by NSF/ADBC
- 24 million specimen-based records for 44 million specimens, and 3.4 million images are searchable on the iDigBio portal
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- Where do we go from here ... in our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> years?
- Emphasis on digitization will continue
- Increased emphasis on:
  - 1. Research, education and outreach collaborations (citizen science)
  - 2. Data management and use
  - 3. Sustainability of the national digitization effort



#### **Addressing Challenges**



#### **Discussion Group Topics**

- Advancing Education & Outreach
- Project Management, Administration, & Mentoring
- Future Uses of Data in Research
- Data Management
- Using the iDigBio API to Address Research Uses
- Citizen Science Projects
- Next Steps for the iDigBio Portal
- Open Forum



more in posters from working/interest groups this afternoon

