



Using Statistical Analysis to Calculate the Size of Biodiversity Literature

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The background features a detailed scientific illustration of a crab, likely from a historical natural history book. The crab is shown from a dorsal view, with its legs and claws clearly visible. Surrounding the main illustration are several smaller, numbered diagrams (3.2, 3.3, 4.2, 6) that provide anatomical details of the crab's parts, such as its legs and claws. The entire scene is set against a light, aged paper background.

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Mission

The Biodiversity Heritage Library improves research methodology by collaboratively making biodiversity literature openly available to the world as part of a global biodiversity community.

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NDSR's mission is "to build a dedicated community of professionals who will advance our nation's capabilities in managing, preserving, and making accessible the digital record of human achievement."

MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

The Missouri Botanical Garden resident will explore user interface modifications to the BHL portal to enable image searching, browsing, and display.

Mentors: Douglas Holland & Trish Rose-Sandler

CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

The Chicago Botanic Garden resident will address content and gap analysis, reviewing the domain of biodiversity literature underpinning the field of biodiversity, estimating the amount of that literature in the public domain, and exploring methodologies to visualize digital collections.

Mentor: Leora Siegel

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM LOS ANGELES COUNTY

The Natural History Museum Los Angeles County resident will consult with BHL partners such as DPLA and Europeana to determine how BHL data works in these large-scale digital libraries and categorize high value tools and services.

Mentor: Richard Hulser

MUSEUM OF COMPARATIVE ZOOLOGY



The Harvard University MCZ resident will develop methodologies and propose tools for verification and integration of crowd-sourced data corrections, building on previous work undertaken by the Ernst Mayr Library and the Missouri Botanical Garden (MBG).

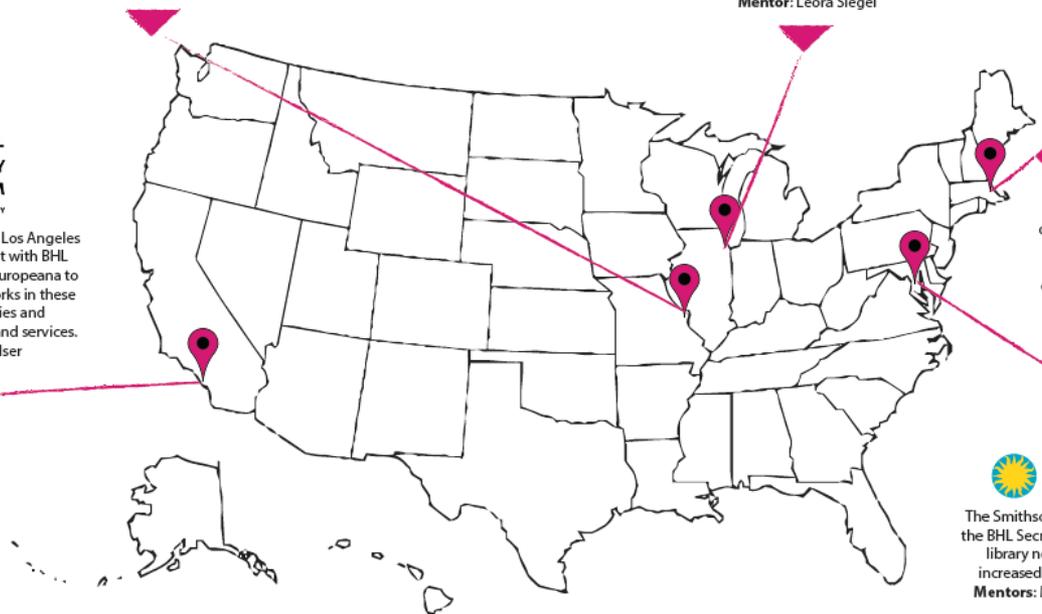
Mentors: Constance Rinaldo & Joseph deVeer



Smithsonian Libraries

The Smithsonian Libraries resident will work with the BHL Secretariat to determine additional digital library needs and services that will provide increased value to a broader set of BHL users.

Mentors: Martin Kalfatovic & Carolyn Sheffield



Content Analysis

What's in BHL?

119,682 titles
201,703 volumes
51,917,032 pages
3,732,986 species

*as of 5/12/17

What's not in BHL?

Everything else



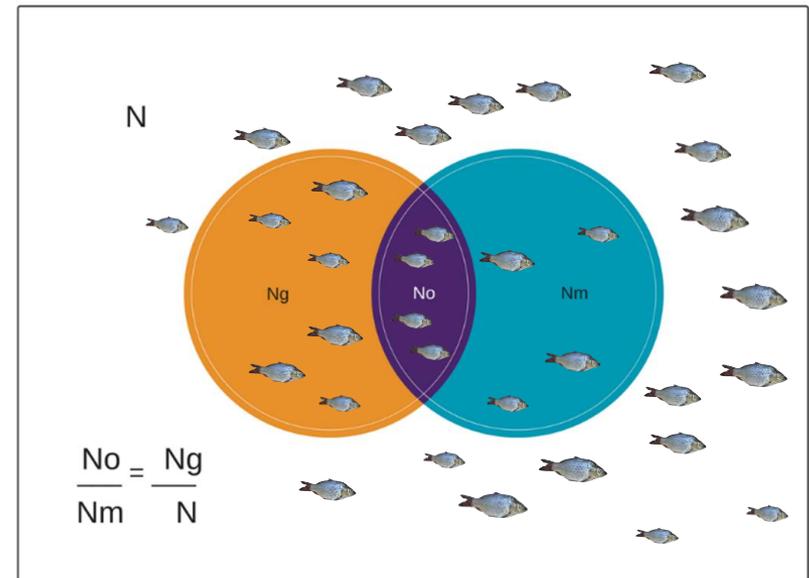
Capture-Mark-Recapture (CMR)

N = unknown population

N_g = first capture

N_m = second capture

N_o = recaptured

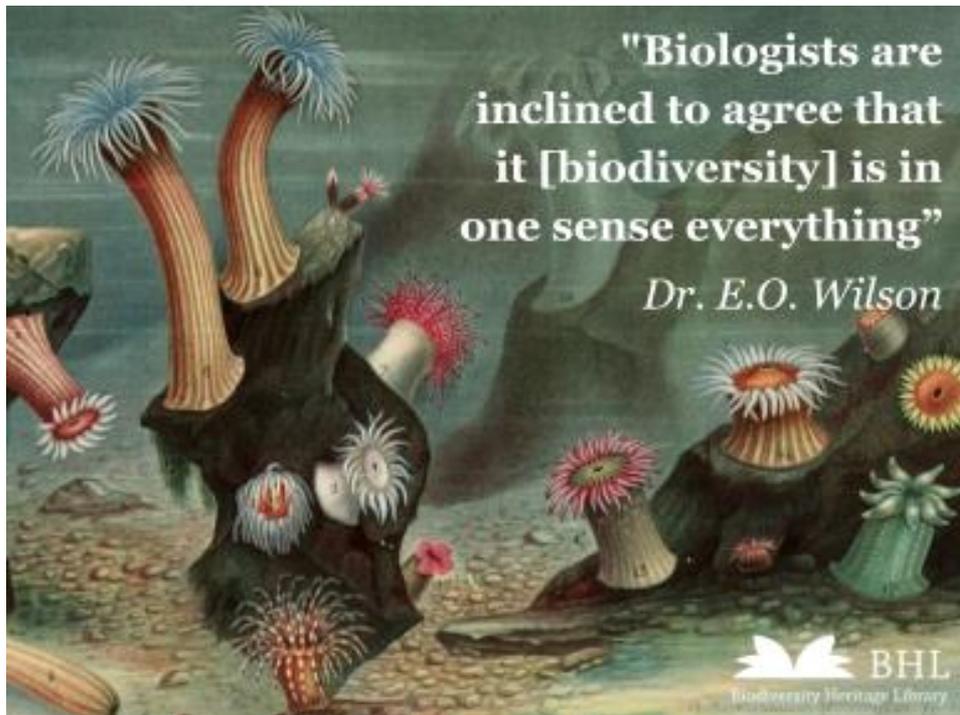


CMR in Lit Reviews

- Kastner, M., S. E. Straus, K. A. McKibbin, and C. H. Goldsmith (2009). "The Capture-mark-recapture Technique Can Be Used as a Stopping Rule When Searching in Systematic Reviews." *Journal of Clinical Epidemiology*.
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<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0093949>
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CMR for BHL

1. Define area of study
2. Determine how to search for organism
3. Determine which statistical model to use

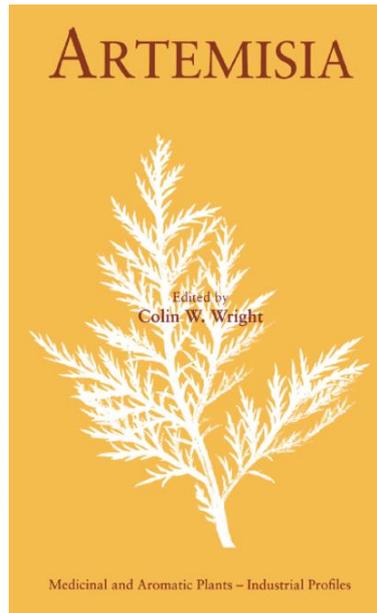


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Artemisia frigida © 1998 Gary A. Monroe
from Encyclopedia of Life



Artemisia vulgaris © 2008 Zoya Akulova
from Encyclopedia of Life

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WorldCat results for: kw: artemisia or kw: artemisinin or kw: sagebrush or kw: mugwort or kw: wormwood or kw: southernwood or kw: wormseed or kw: motherwort or kw: absinthium or (kw: qinghao and kw: su) or kw: slovenwood or kw: abrotanum not kw: art not kw: gentileschi not kw: painting and yr: 1950-1980 and (dt= "bks" or dt= "ser" or dt= "com" or dt= "art" or dt= "url"). [\(Save Search\)](#)



Records found: 1,942 (English: [1,565](#)) Rank by: Number of Libraries

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The screenshot shows a Google Scholar search interface. The search query is "artemisia OR sagebrush OR wormwood OR mugwort OR Artemisinin OR wormseed OR motherwort OR absinthium OR slovenwood OR abrotanum". The search results table is as follows:

Query	Source	Papers	Cites	Cites/y...	h	g	hI,no...	hI,ann...	*C...	Query date	Cache date	Las...
artemisia OR sagebrush OR wo...	Microsoft ...	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	5/23/2017	n/a	35
artemisia OR sagebrush OR wo...	Google Sc...	969	2694131	40210.91	873	969	733	10.94	943	5/23/2017	5/23/2017	0

The metrics sidebar on the left shows the following data:

- Publication years: 1950-1980
- Citation years: 67 (1950-2017)
- Papers: 969
- Citations: 2694131
- Cites/year: 40210.91
- Cites/paper: 2780.32
- Cites/author: 1974868.41
- Papers/author: 711.87
- Authors/paper: 1.73
- h-index: 873
- g-index: 969
- hI, norm: 733
- hI, annual: 10.94
- *Count: 943

The main results table below the search interface is as follows:

Metrics	Cites	Per year	Rank	Authors	Title	Year	Publication	Publisher	Type
h 60232	1627.89*	5	G Paxinos, CRR W...	ACHe-stained horizontal sections ...	1980	Journal of neuroscience ...	Elsevier		
h 56605	927.95*	184	S Siegel	Nonparametric statistics for the b...	1956		psycnet.apa.org		
h 26874	597.20*	16	R Millar	Experiments	1972		researchgate.net		
h 26112	428.07*	105	GA Miller	The magical number seven, plus ...	1956	Psychological review	psycnet.apa.org		
h 24993	543.33*	23	RC Oldfield	The assessment and analysis of h...	1971	Neuropsychologia	Elsevier		
h 20760	384.44*	299	ER Lippincott	Infrared Spectra of Inorganic and ...	1963	Journal of the American C...	ACS Publications		
h 20723	440.91*	182	CD Spielberger, RL...	Manual for the state-trait anxiety ...	1970		ubir.buffalo.edu		
h 19437	335.12*	324	EW Dijkstra	A note on two problems in connec...	1959	Numerische mathematik	Springer		
h 19395	317.95*	185	R Bellman	Dynamic programming and Lagr...	1956	Proceedings of the Natio...	National Acad Sciences		
h 17050	288.98*	287	WS Hummers Jr, R...	Preparation of graphitic oxide	1958	Journal of the American C...	ACS Publications		
h 16497	305.50*	47	KR Popper, GE Hu...	Conjectures and refutations	1963		AIP	CITATION	
h 15621	278.95*	17	TE Burns, GM Stal...	The management of innovation	1961		papers.ssrn.com		

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[Artemisia](#) (38189)

[Artemisia × decipiens \(Vaccari\) Giacom. & Pignatti](#) (4)

[Artemisia abaensis](#) (2)

[Artemisia abaensis Y.R. Ling & S.Y. Zhao](#) (2)

[Artemisia abaensis Y.R.Ling & S.Y.Zhao](#) (20)

[Artemisia abrotanifolia Salisb.](#) (1)

[Artemisia abrotanifolium](#) (1)

[Artemisia abrotanooides](#) (22)

[Artemisia abrotanooides Nutt.](#) (2)

[Artemisia abrotanum](#) (601)

[Artemisia abrotanum L.](#) (29)

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Compare bibliographies and apply:

- Lincoln Petersen
- Seber probabilistic
- Poisson regression



Thank You!

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