

A Review of Biotic Interactions and Taxon Names Found in EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi hash://md5/3a3f825c7671f3ff1d3acdf6675cfecb

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Abstract

Life on Earth is sustained by complex interactions between organisms and their environment. These biotic interactions can be captured in datasets and published digitally. We present a review and archiving process for such an openly accessible digital interactions dataset of known origin and discuss its outcome. The dataset under review, named EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi, has fingerprint hash://md5/3a3f825c7671f3ff1d3acdf6675cfecb, is 211MiB in size and contains 94,489 interaction with 1 unique type of association (e.g., hasHost) between 766 primary taxa (e.g., Acari) and 12,548 associated taxon (e.g., Acrocephalus arundinaceus). This report includes detailed summaries of interaction data, a taxonomic review from multiple catalogs, and an archived version of the dataset from which the reviews are derived.

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Introduction

Data Review and Archive

Data review and archiving can be a time-consuming process, especially when done manually. This review report aims to help facilitate both activities. It automates the archiving of datasets, including Darwin Core archives, and is a citable backup of a version of the dataset. Additionally, an automatic review of species interaction claims made in the dataset is generated and registered with Global Biotic Interactions (J. H. Poelen, Simons, and Mungall 2014).

This review includes summary statistics about, and observations about, the dataset under review:

University of Michigan Museum of Zoology Insect Division. Full
Database Export 2020-11-20 provided by Erika Tucker and Barry
Oconner. <https://github.com/EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi/archive/6731357a377e9c2748fc931faa2ff3dc0ce2025-04-04T23:02:16.035Z> hash://md5/3a3f825c7671f3ff1d3acdf6675cfech

For additional metadata related to this dataset, please visit <https://github.com/EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi> and inspect associated metadata files including, but not limited to, *README.md*, *eml.xml*, and/or *globi.json*.

Methods

The review is performed through programmatic scripts that leverage tools like Preston (Elliott et al. 2025), Elton (Kuhn, Poelen, and Leinweber 2025), Nomer (Salim and Poelen 2025), globinizer (J. Poelen, Selmann, and Mietchen 2024) combined with third-party tools like grep, mlr, tail and head.

Table 1: Tools used in this review process

tool name	version
preston	0.10.1

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elton	0.15.9
nomer	0.5.13
globinizer	0.4.0
mlr	6.0.0
jq	1.6
yq	4.25.3
pandoc	3.1.6.1

The review process can be described in the form of the script below ¹.

```
# get versioned copy of the dataset (size approx. 211MiB) under review
elton pull EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi

# generate review notes
elton review EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi\
> review.tsv

# export indexed interaction records
elton interactions EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi\
> interactions.tsv

# export names and align them with the Catalogue of Life using Nomer
elton names EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi\
| nomer append col\
> name-alignment.tsv
```

or visually, in a process diagram.

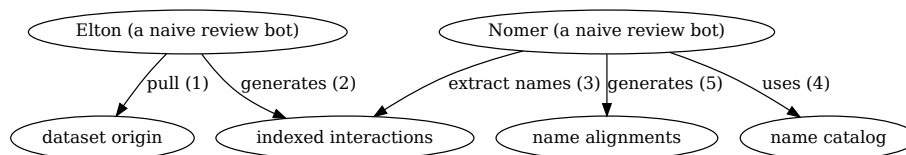


Figure 1: Review Process Overview

You can find a copy of the full review script at [check-data.sh](#). See also [GitHub](#) and [Codeberg](#).

¹Note that you have to first get the data (e.g., via `elton pull EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi`) before being able to generate reviews (e.g., `elton review EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi`), extract interaction claims (e.g., `elton interactions EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi`), or list taxonomic names (e.g., `elton names EMTuckerLabUMMZ/ummzi`)

Results

In the following sections, the results of the review are summarized ². Then, links to the detailed review reports are provided.

Files

The following files are produced in this review:

filename	description
biblio.bib	list of bibliographic reference of this review
check-dataset.sh	data review workflow/process as expressed in a bash script
data.zip	a versioned Preston (Elliott et al. 2025) archive of the data under review
HEAD	the digital signature of the data under review
index.docx	review in MS Word format
index.html	review in HTML format
index.md	review in Pandoc markdown format
index.pdf	review in PDF format
indexed-citations.csv.gz	list of distinct reference citations for reviewed species interaction claims in gzipped comma-separated values file format
indexed-citations.html.gz	list of distinct reference citations for reviewed species interactions claims in gzipped html file format
indexed-citations.tsv.gz	list of distinct reference citations for reviewed species interaction claims in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-interactions-col-family-col-family.svg	network diagram showing the taxon family to taxon family interaction claims in the dataset under review as interpreted by the Catalogue of Life via Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024)

²Disclaimer: The results in this review should be considered friendly, yet naive, notes from an unsophisticated robot. Please keep that in mind when considering the review results.

filename	description
indexed-interactions-col-kingdom-col-kingdom.svg	network diagram showing the taxon kingdom to taxon kingdom interaction claims in the dataset under review as interpreted by the Catalogue of Life via Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024)
indexed-interactions.csv.gz	species interaction claims indexed from the dataset under review in gzipped comma-separated values format
indexed-interactions.html.gz	species interaction claims indexed from the dataset under review in gzipped html format
indexed-interactions.tsv.gz	species interaction claims indexed from the dataset under review in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-interactions-sample.csv	list of species interaction claims indexed from the dataset under review in gzipped comma-separated values format
indexed-interactions-sample.html	first 500 species interaction claims indexed from the dataset under review in html format
indexed-interactions-sample.tsv	first 500 species interaction claims indexed from the dataset under review in tab-separated values format
indexed-names.csv.gz	taxonomic names indexed from the dataset under review in gzipped comma-separated values format
indexed-names.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review in gzipped html format
indexed-names.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-col.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the Catalogue of Life as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format

filename	description
indexed-names-resolved-col.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the Catalogue of Life as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-col.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the Catalogue of Life as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-discoverlife.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Discover Life bee species checklist as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-discoverlife.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Discover Life bee species checklist as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-discoverlife.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Discover Life bee species checklist as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-gbif.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with GBIF Backbone Taxonomy as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format

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indexed-names-resolved-gbif.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with GBIF Backbone Taxonomy as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-gbif.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with GBIF Backbone Taxonomy as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-itis.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Integrated Taxonomic Information System (ITIS) as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-itis.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Integrated Taxonomic Information System (ITIS) as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-itis.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Integrated Taxonomic Information System (ITIS) as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-mdd.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the Mammal Diversity Database as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format

filename	description
indexed-names-resolved-mdd.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Mammal Diversity Database as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-mdd.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Mammal Diversity Database as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-ncbi.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the NCBI Taxonomy as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-ncbi.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the NCBI Taxonomy as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-ncbi.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the NCBI Taxonomy as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-pbdb.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the Paleobiology Database as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format

filename	description
indexed-names-resolved-pbdb.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Paleobiology Database as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-pbdb.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with Paleobiology Database as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-tpt.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the Terrestrial Parasite Tracker (TPT) Taxonomic Resource as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-tpt.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the Terrestrial Parasite Tracker (TPT) Taxonomic Resource as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-tpt.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the Terrestrial Parasite Tracker (TPT) Taxonomic Resource as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-wfo.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the World of Flora Online as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format

filename	description
indexed-names-resolved-wfo.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the World of Flora Online as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-wfo.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the World of Flora Online as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-worms.csv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the World Register of Marine Species (WoRMS) as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped comma-separated values format
indexed-names-resolved-worms.html.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the World Register of Marine Species (WoRMS) as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped html format
indexed-names-resolved-worms.tsv.gz	taxonomic names found in the dataset under review aligned with the World Register of Marine Species (WoRMS) as accessed through the Nomer Corpus of Taxonomic Resources (J. H. (ed.). Poelen 2024) in gzipped tab-separated values format
indexed-names-sample.csv	first 500 taxonomic names found in the dataset under review in comma-separated values format
indexed-names-sample.html	first 500 taxonomic names found in the dataset under review in html format
indexed-names-sample.tsv	first 500 taxonomic names found in the dataset under review in tab-separated values format
interaction.svg	diagram summarizing the data model used to index species interaction claims

filename	description
nanopub-sample.trig	first 500 species interaction claims as expressed in the nanopub format (Kuhn and Dumontier 2014)
nanopub.trig.gz	species interaction claims as expressed in the nanopub format (Kuhn and Dumontier 2014)
process.svg	diagram summarizing the data review processing workflow
prov.nq	origin of the dataset under review as expressed in rdf/nquads
review.csv.gz	review notes associated with the dataset under review in gzipped comma-separated values format
review.html.gz	review notes associated with the dataset under review in gzipped html format
review.tsv.gz	review notes associated with the dataset under review in gzipped tab-separated values format
review-sample.csv	first 500 review notes associated with the dataset under review in comma-separated values format
review-sample.html	first 500 review notes associated with the dataset under review in html format
review-sample.tsv	first 500 review notes associated with the dataset under review in tab-separated values format
review.svg	a review badge generated as part of the dataset review process
zenodo.json	metadata of this review expressed in Zenodo record metadata

Archived Dataset

Note that *data.zip* file in this archive contains the complete, unmodified archived dataset under review.

Biotic Interactions

In this review, biotic interactions (or biotic associations) are modeled as a primary (aka subject, source) organism interacting with an associate (aka object, target) organism. The dataset under review classified the primary/associate

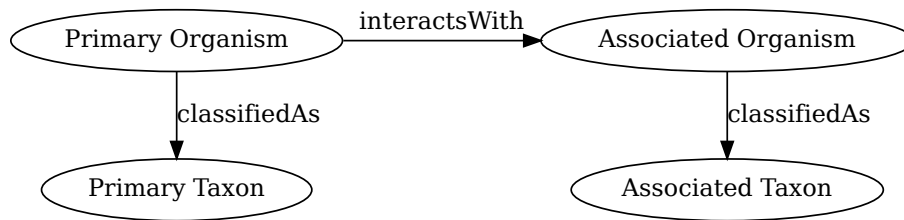


Figure 2: Biotic Interaction Data Model

organisms with specific taxa. The primary and associate organisms The kind of interaction is documented as an interaction type.

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An exhaustive list of indexed interaction claims can be found in gzipped csv and tsv archives. To facilitate discovery, a preview of claims available in the gzipped html page at indexed-interactions.html.gz are shown below.

The exhaustive list was used to create the following data summaries below.

Table 3: Sample of Indexed Interaction Claims

sourceTaxonName	interactionTypeName	targetTaxonName	referenceCitation
Acari	hasHost	Scarabaeidae	https://doi.org/10.15468/tmxd7n
Acari	hasHost	Dermestes maculatus	https://doi.org/10.15468/tmxd7n
Acari	hasHost	Anthidium undulatifforme	https://doi.org/10.15468/tmxd7n
Acari	hasHost	Anthidium flavomaculatum	https://doi.org/10.15468/tmxd7n

Table 4: Most Frequently Mentioned Interaction Types (up to 20 most frequent)

interactionTypeName	count
hasHost	94489

Table 5: Most Frequently Mentioned Primary Taxa (up to 20 most frequent)

sourceTaxonName	count
Acari	57444
Arthropoda	9457
Proctophyllodes	3237
Proterothrix	1004
Proctophyllodes polyxenus	944
Pterodectes	645
Bombus	634
Amerodectes	584
Trouessartia trouessarti	558
Hymenoptera	487
Proctophyllodes spini	478
Trouessartia lonchurae	406
Trouessartia trouessartii	363
Ceratina	355
Nycteridocaulus	354
Proctophyllodes cotyledon	304
Apis	293
Proctophyllodes egglestoni	273
Proctophyllodes hylocichlae	249

Table 6: Most Frequently Mentioned Associate Taxa (up to 20 most frequent)

targetTaxonName	count
Acrocephalus arundinaceus	1340
Hirundo rustica	1101
Turdus migratorius	494
Spinus tristis	448
Lophuromys aquilus	424
Myotis velifer	416
Emberiza rutila	375
Geospiza fuliginosa	368
Praomys taitae	350
Quiscalus quiscula	350
Bombycilla cedrorum	336
Haemorrhous mexicanus	334
Pheucticus ludovicianus	330
Seiurus aurocapilla	294
Solidago	256

targetTaxonName	count
Centaurea stoebe	256
Lonchura leucogastra	252
Junco hyemalis	249
Chilocorus cacti	239

Table 7: Most Frequent Interactions between Primary and Associate Taxa (up to 20 most frequent)

sourceTaxonName	interactionType	targetTaxonName	count
Acari	hasHost	Hirundo rustica	867
Trouessartia	hasHost	Acrocephalus	515
trouessarti		arundinaceus	
Acari	hasHost	Acrocephalus	421
		arundinaceus	
Acari	hasHost	Myotis velifer	416
Acari	hasHost	Lophuromys	387
		aquilus	
Acari	hasHost	Geospiza	368
		fuliginosa	
Acari	hasHost	Praomys taitae	350
Trouessartia	hasHost	Acrocephalus	349
trouessartii		arundinaceus	
Proctophyllodes	hasHost	Turdus	336
		migratorius	
Proctophyllodes	hasHost	Spinus tristis	308
spini			
Acari	hasHost	Emberiza rutila	288
Acari	hasHost	Chilocorus cacti	239
Proctophyllodes	hasHost	Bombycilla	234
ampelidis		cedrorum	
Proctophyllodes	hasHost	Haemorrhous	204
		mexicanus	
Acari	hasHost	Microgale cowani	169
Acari	hasHost	Zosterops	166
		erythropleurus	
Proctophyllodes	hasHost	Junco hyemalis	162
polyxenus			
Acari	hasHost	Microtus	159
		pennsylvanicus	
Acari	hasHost	Turdus	158
		migratorius	

Interaction Networks

The figures below provide a graph view on the dataset under review. The first shows a summary network on the kingdom level, and the second shows how interactions on the family level. It is important to note that both network graphs were first aligned taxonomically using the Catalogue of Life. Please refer to the original (or verbatim) taxonomic names for a more original view on the interaction data.

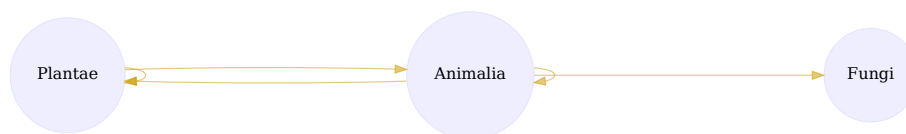


Figure 3: Interactions on taxonomic kingdom rank as interpreted by the Catalogue of Life download svg

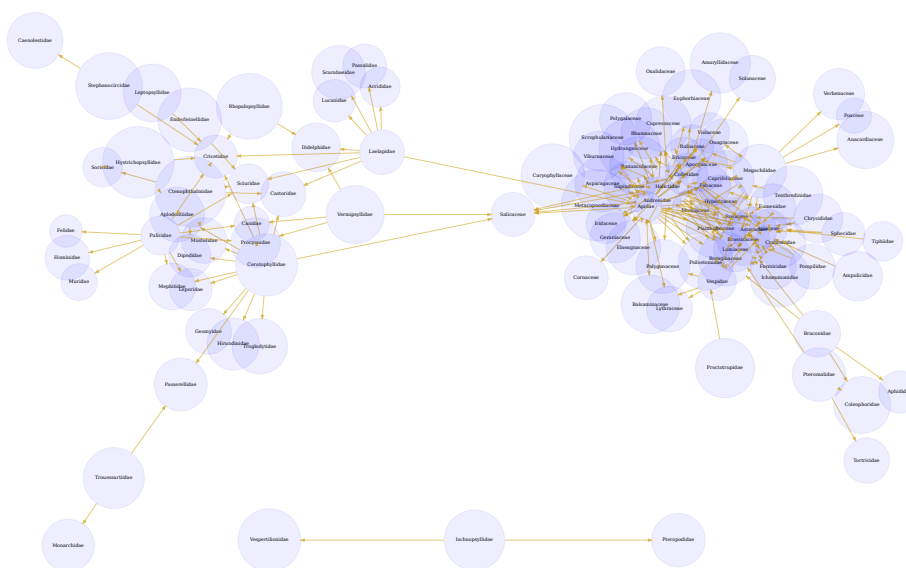


Figure 4: Interactions on the taxonomic family rank as interpreted by the Catalogue of Life. download svg

You can download the indexed dataset under review at [indexed-interactions.csv.gz](#). A tab-separated file can be found at [indexed-interactions.tsv.gz](#)

Learn more about the structure of this download at GloBI website, by opening a GitHub issue, or by sending an email.

Another way to discover the dataset under review is by searching for it on the GloBI website.

Taxonomic Alignment

As part of the review, all names are aligned against various name catalogs (e.g., col, ncbi, discoverlife, gbif, itis, wfo, mdd, tpt, pbdb, and worms). These alignments can help review name usage or aid in selecting of a suitable taxonomic name resource.

Table 8: Sample of Name Alignments

providedName	relationName	resolvedCatalogName	resolvedName
Reserved by for trp	NONE	col	Reserved by for trp
Abditomys latidens	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	col	Abditomys latidens
Abeillia abeillei	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	col	Abeillia abeillei
Abies alba	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	col	Abies alba

Table 9: Distribution of Taxonomic Ranks of Aligned Names by Catalog. Names that were not aligned with a catalog are counted as NAs. So, the total number of unaligned names for a catalog will be listed in their NA row.

resolvedCatalogName	resolvedRank	count
col	NA	2763
col	class	6
col	family	150
col	genus	543
col	infraorder	1
col	order	23
col	phylum	3
col	species	7764
col	subfamily	2
col	subgenus	29
col	subspecies	1381
col	superfamily	1
col	tribe	3
col	variety	8
discoverlife	NA	11629
discoverlife	species	983
gbif	NA	2109
gbif	class	6
gbif	family	157
gbif	form	11
gbif	genus	636
gbif	order	23
gbif	phylum	3

resolvedCatalogName	resolvedRank	count
gbif	species	8260
gbif	subspecies	1457
gbif	variety	18
itis	NA	3481
itis	class	5
itis	division	2
itis	family	149
itis	genus	468
itis	order	25
itis	phylum	1
itis	species	7143
itis	subclass	1
itis	subfamily	3
itis	subspecies	1327
itis	superfamily	2
itis	superorder	1
itis	tribe	2
itis	variety	4
mdd	NA	12611
ncbi	NA	4448
ncbi	class	5
ncbi	cohort	1
ncbi	family	146
ncbi	genus	562
ncbi	order	25
ncbi	phylum	3
ncbi	species	6980
ncbi	subclass	1
ncbi	subfamily	6
ncbi	subgenus	28
ncbi	subspecies	428
ncbi	superfamily	1
ncbi	tribe	2
ncbi	varietas	2
pdbb	NA	10439
pdbb	class	7
pdbb	family	141
pdbb	genus	316
pdbb	infraclass	1
pdbb	infraorder	1
pdbb	order	27
pdbb	phylum	1
pdbb	species	1667
pdbb	subclass	1

resolvedCatalogName	resolvedRank	count
pbdb	subfamily	5
pbdb	suborder	2
pbdb	subspecies	7
pbdb	superfamily	1
pbdb	tribe	2
pbdb	unranked clade	4
tpt	NA	7455
tpt	family	24
tpt	genus	162
tpt	order	2
tpt	species	4968
wfo	NA	12111
wfo	family	16
wfo	genus	109
wfo	species	369
wfo	subspecies	12
wfo	variety	4
worms	NA	10891
worms	class	5
worms	family	117
worms	genus	215
worms	infraorder	1
worms	order	24
worms	phylum	1
worms	phylum (division)	2
worms	species	1306
worms	subclass	1
worms	subspecies	53

Table 10: Name relationship types per catalog. Name relationship type “NONE” means that a name was not recognized by the associated catalog. “SAME_AS” indicates either a “HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME” or “SYNONYM_OF” name relationship type. We recognize that “SYNONYM_OF” encompasses many types of nomenclatural synonymies (ICZN 1999) (e.g., junior synonym, senior synonyms).

resolvedCatalogName	relationName	count
col	NONE	2958
col	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	11019
col	SYNONYM_OF	1871
discoverlife	NONE	14321

resolvedCatalogName	relationName	count
discoverlife	SYNONYM_OF	303
discoverlife	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	939
discoverlife	HOMONYM_OF	56
gbif	NONE	2253
gbif	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	12319
gbif	SYNONYM_OF	2716
itis	NONE	3736
itis	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	10256
itis	SYNONYM_OF	1449
mdd	NONE	14230
mdd	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	1085
mdd	SYNONYM_OF	40
ncbi	NONE	4903
ncbi	SAME_AS	9532
ncbi	SYNONYM_OF	1083
pbdb	NONE	12151
pbdb	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	3015
pbdb	SYNONYM_OF	244
tpt	NONE	8836
tpt	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	6279
tpt	SYNONYM_OF	314
wfo	NONE	14777
wfo	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	525
wfo	SYNONYM_OF	116
wfo	HAS_UNCHECKED_NAME	105
worms	NONE	12746
worms	HAS_ACCEPTED_NAME	2436
worms	SYNONYM_OF	269

Table 11: List of Available Name Alignment Reports

catalog name	alignment results
col	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)
ncbi	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)
discoverlife	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)
gbif	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)
itis	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)

catalog name	alignment results
wfo	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)
mdd	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)
tpt	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)
pbdb	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)
worms	associated names alignments report in gzipped html, csv, and tsv)

Additional Reviews

Elton, Nomer, and other tools may have difficulties interpreting existing species interaction datasets. Or, they may misbehave, or otherwise show unexpected behavior. As part of the review process, detailed review notes are kept that document possibly misbehaving, or confused, review bots. An sample of review notes associated with this review can be found below.

Table 12: First few lines in the review notes.

reviewDate	reviewCommentType	reviewComment
2025-04-10T02:37:17Z	note	target taxon name missing
2025-04-10T02:37:17Z	note	target taxon name missing
2025-04-10T02:37:17Z	note	target taxon name missing
2025-04-10T02:37:17Z	note	target taxon name missing

In addition, you can find the most frequently occurring notes in the table below.

Table 13: Most frequently occurring review notes, if any.

reviewComment	count
target taxon name missing	367307
target taxon name missing: using institution-Code/collectionCode/collectionId/catalogNumber/occurrenceId as placeholder	255
source taxon name missing: using institution-Code/collectionCode/collectionId/catalogNumber/occurrenceId as placeholder	29

For additional information on review notes, please have a look at the first 500 Review Notes in html format or the download full gzipped csv or tsv archives.

GloBI Review Badge

As part of the review, a review badge is generated. This review badge can be included in webpages to indicate the review status of the dataset under review.



Figure 5: Picture of a GloBI Review Badge ³

Note that if the badge is green, no review notes were generated. If the badge is yellow, the review bots may need some help with interpreting the species interaction data.

GloBI Index Badge

If the dataset under review has been registered with GloBI, and has been successfully indexed by GloBI, the GloBI Index Status Badge will turn green. This means that the dataset under review was indexed by GloBI and is available through GloBI services and derived data products.



Figure 6: Picture of a GloBI Index Badge ⁴

If you'd like to keep track of reviews or index status of the dataset under review, please visit GloBI's dataset index ⁵ for badge examples.

Discussion

This review and archive provides a means of creating citable versions of datasets that change frequently. This may be useful for dataset managers, including natural history collection data managers, as a backup archive of a shared Darwin Core archive. It also serves as a means of creating a trackable citation for the dataset in an automated way, while also including some information about the contents of the dataset.

This review aims to provide a perspective on the dataset to aid in understanding of species interaction claims discovered. However, it is important to note that

³Up-to-date status of the GloBI Review Badge can be retrieved from the GloBI Review Depot

⁴Up-to-date status of the GloBI Index Badge can be retrieved from GloBI's API

⁵At time of writing (2025-04-10) the version of the GloBI dataset index was available at <https://globalbioticinteractions.org/datasets>

this review does *not* assess the quality of the dataset. Instead, it serves as an indication of the open-ness⁶ and FAIRness (Wilkinson et al. 2016; Trekels et al. 2023) of the dataset: to perform this review, the data was likely openly available, **F**indable, **A**ccessible, **I**nteroperable and **R**eusable. The current Open-FAIR assessment is qualitative, and a more quantitative approach can be implemented with specified measurement units.

This report also showcases the reuse of machine-actionable (meta)data, something highly recommended by the FAIR Data Principles (Wilkinson et al. 2016). Making (meta)data machine-actionable enables more precise processing by computers, enabling even naive review bots like Nomer and Elton to interpret the data effectively. This capability is crucial for not just automating the generation of reports, but also for facilitating seamless data exchanges, promoting interoperability.

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⁶According to <http://opendefinition.org/>: “Open data is data that can be freely used, re-used and redistributed by anyone - subject only, at most, to the requirement to attribute and sharealike.”

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