

Resource Summary Report

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BOLD

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Resource Information

URL: <http://www.barcodinglife.com/>

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Description: DNA barcode data with an online workbench that supports data validation, annotation, and publication for specimen, distributional, and molecular data. The data platform consists of three main modules, a data portal, a database of barcode clusters, and data collection workbench. The Public Data Portal provides access to all public barcode data which consists of data generated using the Workbench module as well as data mined from other sources. The Barcode Index Number (BIN) system assigns a unique identifier to each sequence cluster of COI, providing an interim taxonomic system for species in the animal kingdom. The workbench module integrates secure databases with analytical tools to provide a private collaborative environment for researchers to collect, analyze, and publish barcode data and ancillary DNA sequences. This platform also provides an annotation framework that supports tagging and commenting on records and their components (i.e. taxonomy, images, and sequences), allowing for community-based validation of barcode data. By providing specialized services, it aids in the assembly of records that meet the standards needed to gain BARCODE designation in the global sequence databases. Because of its web-based delivery and flexible data security model, it is also well positioned to support projects that involve broad research alliances. Public data records include record identifiers, taxonomy, specimen details, collection information and sequence data. Data that has been publicly released through BOLD can be retrieved manually through the BOLD public interface or automatically through BOLD web services. BOLD analytical tools are available for any data set that exists in BOLD (including publicly available data). Analytical tools can be accessed through the BOLD Project Console under the headings Sequences Analysis or Specimen Aggregates. Some examples include Taxon ID Tree, Alignment Viewer, Distribution Maps, and Image Library.

Abbreviations: BOLD

Synonyms: BOLD Systems, Barcode of Life Database Systems, Barcode of Life Database, Barcode of Life Data Systems, BOLD : The Barcode of Life Data System

Resource Type: database, data or information resource, service resource, storage service resource, data repository, data analysis service, analysis service resource, production service resource

Defining Citation: [PMID:18784790](#)

Keywords: protists, taxonomy, dna, barcode, dna barcode, gene sequence, primer, publication, barcode index number, unique identifier, annotation, platform, data management, data sharing, dna sequence, bioinformatics, molecular biology, biology, geography, species, sequence cluster, map, web service, image collection, FASEB list

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Alternate URLs: <http://www.boldsystems.org/>, <https://doi.org/10.17616/R3PP7J>, <https://doi.org/10.17616/r3pp7j>, <https://doi.org/10.5883/>, <https://dx.doi.org/10.5883/>, <https://fairsharing.org/10.25504/FAIRsharing.en9nnp>, <https://doi.org/10.17616/R3KG65>

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for BOLD.

No alerts have been found for BOLD.

Data and Source Information

Source: [SciCrunch Registry](#)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 499 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [SPARC SAWG](#) .

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