2013 - 2018

fossil insect COLLABORATIVE

AMNH • INHS • MCZ • CU-Boulder • UCMP • USNM • VMNH
YPM • Florissant • LACM
FIC Results

- ~182,000 (and counting) digital specimen records
- ~ 70,000 specimen images
- iDigPaleo hub for specimen data & educational resources
2017 - 2019

fossil
insect
COLLABORATIVE
FOSSIL INSECTS OF L.A.

LACM
Statz Collection

- Oligocene, Germany
- ~ 4,200 spms, approx. 25% types/figured
- ancillary literature
- imaging-intensive
Barstow Collection

- Miocene, California
- ~ 4600 spms
- Silicified specimens contained in carbonate nodules
- Understudied fauna
Rancho La Brea Collection

- Late Pleistocene, California
- ~ 15,600 spms
- asphalt-preserved
- focusing on types & “Clyde” collection
McKittrick Collection

- Late Pleistocene, California
- ~ 2700 spms
- asphalt-preserved
Inspirational Story about Collaboration & Sustainability

Hi we’re the crowd in crowdfunding

new cabinets

taxonomic dictionary

Hi I’m a knowledgeable collector

specimen data

Hi I’m Lindsay from IP
Hi I’m Erica from IP

Hi I’m Bill from IT

specimen images

Hi I’m Austin from IP
Hi I’m Betsy from Marketing
Hi I’m Jocelyn from ANSP

institutional DAMS

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EMu

IPT resource

Hi I’m Kevin from iDigBio

PBDB

ePANDDDA

iDigBio portal

GBIF
Cautionary-but-Optimistic Thought about a Lesson Learned
Thank you!

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