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Aggregated data

Format: Biodiversity occurrence data published by: <List of Collections> (Accessed through Great Plains Herbaria Data Portal, <https://ngpherbaria.org/portal/collections/index.php>, [date])

Example:

Biodiversity occurrence data published by: Kansas State University Herbarium and New York Botanical Garden (Accessed through Great Plains Herbaria Data Portal, <https://ngpherbaria.org/portal/collections/index.php>, 2024-03-21)

Single dataset

Format with DOI: [dataset name] from [data publisher]. <http://dx.doi.org/> [DOI of dataset] (accessed on [date]).

Format without DOI: [dataset name] from [data publisher]. [link to dataset] (accessed on [date]).

Example: Vascular Plant Collection from the Kansas State University Herbarium.

<https://ngpherbaria.org/portal/collections/misc/collprofiles.php?collid=###> (accessed on 21 Mar 2024).

Single specimen or observation record

Format: [record id], [dataset name] from [data publisher]. [link to dataset] (accessed on [date]).

Example: KSC000007654, Reed Bryophyte Collection from the Kansas State University Herbarium.

<https://bryophyteportal.org/portal/collections/individual/index.php?occid=#####> (accessed on 21 Mar 2024).

All the elements for a citation can be found in the Darwin Core fields for each record:

- [data publisher]: in institutionCode (and rightsHolder). In this case, this is “the Kansas State University Herbarium”.
- [dataset name]: in datasetName. This is also the title of the dataset on its repository page.
- [link to dataset]: in datasetID. This link redirects to the repository page of the dataset.
- [record id]: in catalogNumber. If no catalog number is available, use occurrenceID.

Questions about data citation and use may be directed to herbarium@ksu.edu.

Adapted from:

Consortium of Northern Great Plains Herbaria, Guidelines for Acceptable Use of Data,

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