



Open Access to Online Information About All Beetle Species

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Beetles are essential for the success of EOL

- ▶ >20% of described species
- ▶ most species not documented online (<20%)
- ▶ for many species all that's available anywhere is original description, type specimens (>50%)

Strategy for Beetles Content Development

- » engage coleopterist community
- » images of type specimens
- » original descriptions



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EOL Contributions

- ▶ Coordinate efforts
- ▶ Engage organizational partners worldwide
- ▶ Assist in the acquisition of funds (grants, donations)
- ▶ Negotiate with publishers of in-copyright resources
- ▶ Organize internship/volunteer/crowdsourcing programs
- ▶ Provide EOL fellowships for early/late career coleopterists
- ▶ Fund biodiversity synthesis meetings
- ▶ Initiate related learning & education programs
- ▶ Outreach to the media



Coleopterist Community Contributions

- ▶ Locate relevant resources worldwide
- ▶ Compile bibliographies of original descriptions
- ▶ Make available pdfs, volumes for scanning
- ▶ Locate/annotate descriptions in scanned volumes
- ▶ Proof/correct ocr'd text
- ▶ Process plates from scanned volumes
- ▶ Translations

