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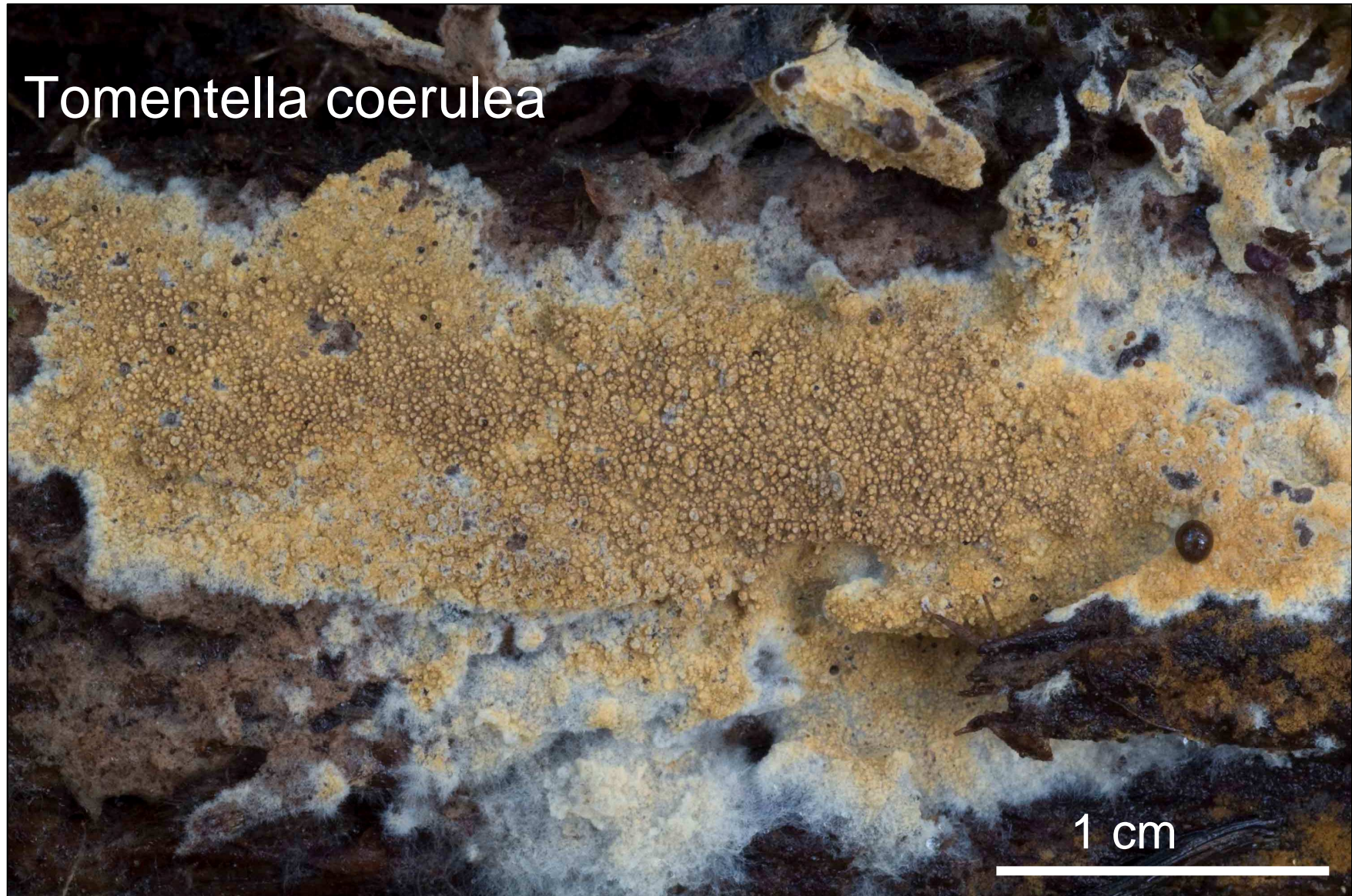
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University of Tartu, Estonia

Launch of the *Global Soil Biodiversity Atlas* in France,  
28<sup>th</sup> November 2016





*Tomentella coerulea*



*Tomentella punicea*





## Ectomycorrhiza





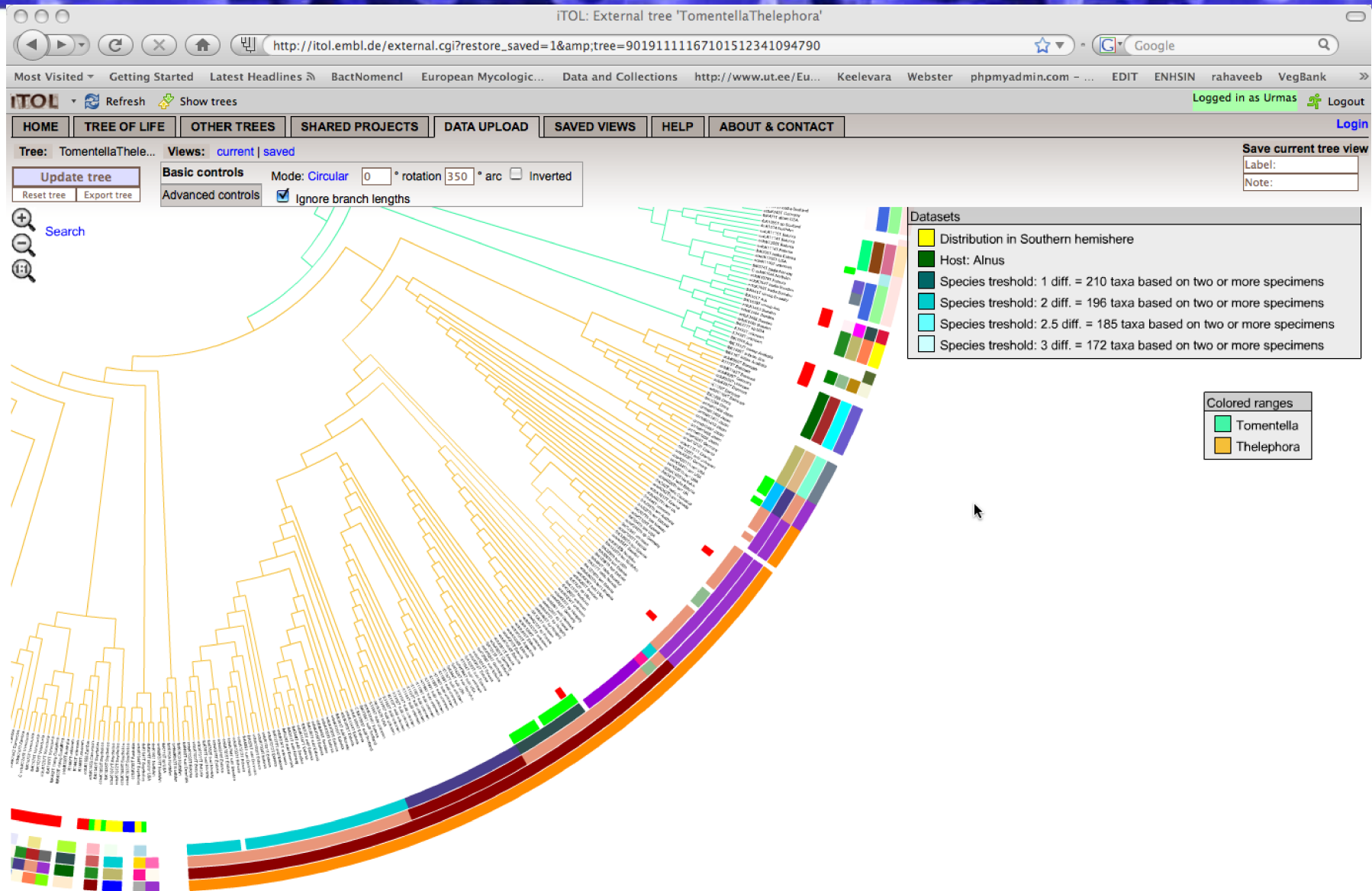
Ectomycorrhiza

*Tomentellopsis submollis*



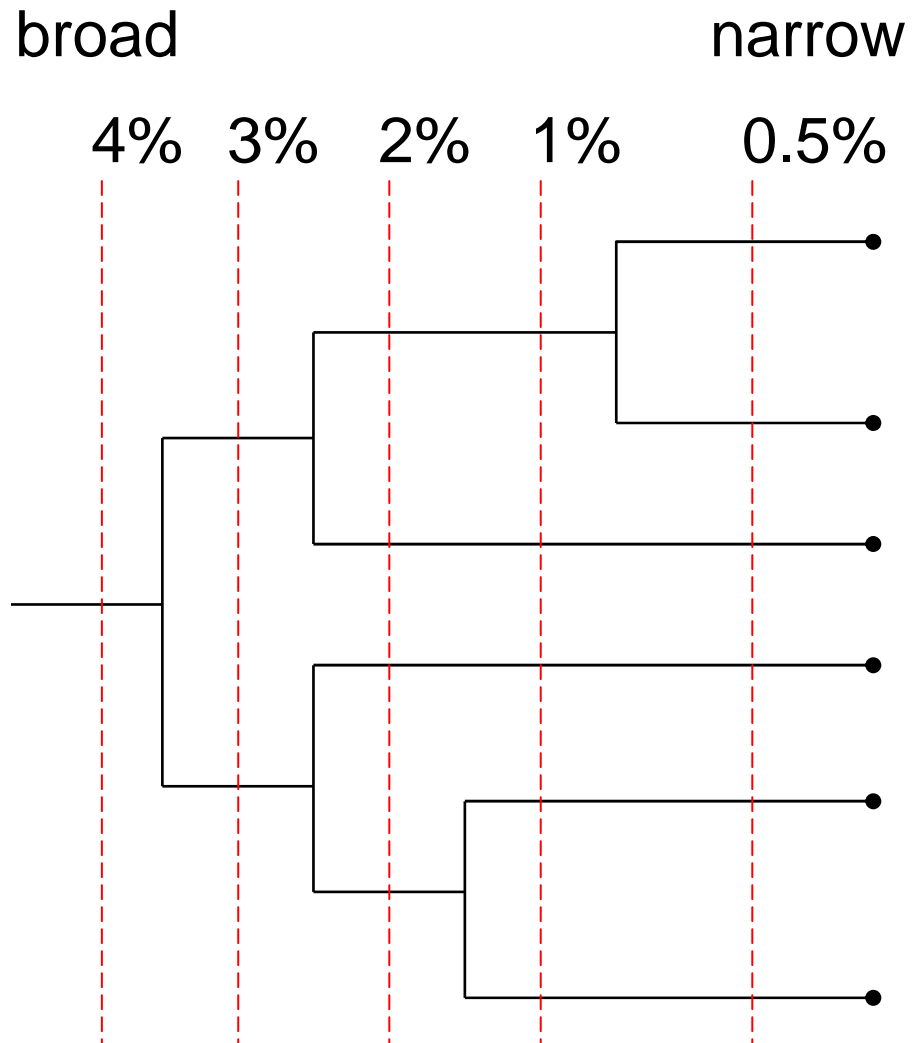
Study/Database	Tomentella	Thelephora
Stalpers 1993	64	45
UNITE DNA species	>1500	

Ca 500 DNA based species include sequence from  
the sporocarp/living culture





# Delimitation of species





## **Operational Taxonomic Units (OTU)**

"the thing(s) being studied"

Sokal, PHA and Sneath, RR (1963), Principles of Numerical Taxonomy, San Francisco: W.H. Freeman.

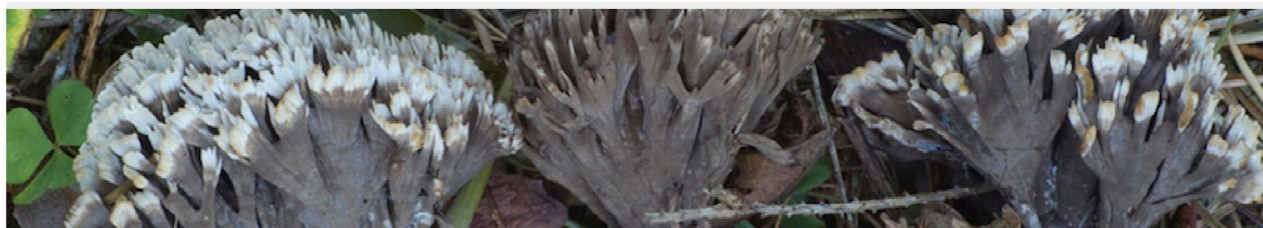
## **Species Hypotheses (SH)**

OTUs on species level

Kõljalg, U et al. (2013), Towards a unified paradigm for sequence-based identification of fungi. Molecular Ecology 22(21): 5271-5277.



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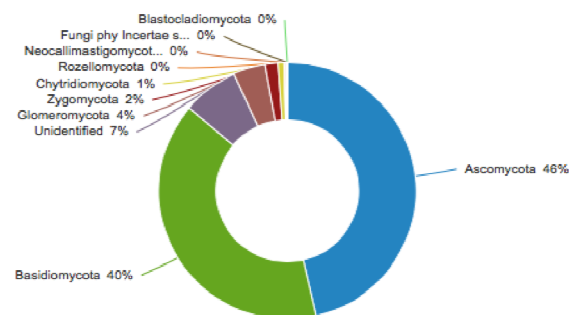


Current version: **7.0**; Release date: 2015-08-01 ([read more](#)); Number of UNITE fungal Species Hypotheses: **53 891**

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- ▶ Ascomycota (24,553)
- ▶ Basidiomycota (21,036)
- ▶ Unidentified (3,716)
- ▶ Glomeromycota (2,138)
- ▶ Zygomycota (840)
- ▶ Chytridiomycota (402)
- ▶ Rozellomycota (114)
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SH graph: Fungi



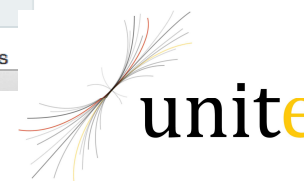
What is Species Hypothesis?

**Species Hypothesis** – any species level group of individuals that share a

What are Reference and Representative sequences?

**Reference sequence (Refs)** – serves as a name anchor for the Species

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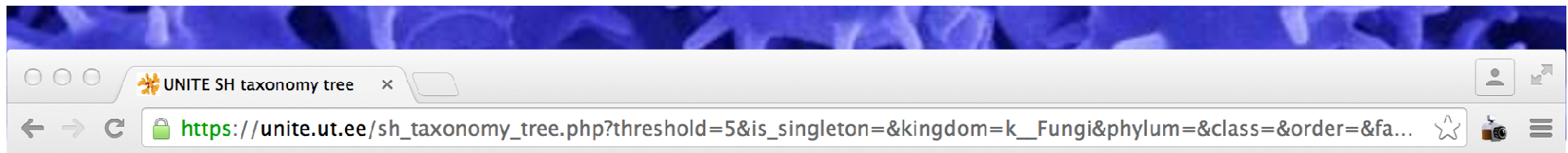




# UNITE

Curated rDNA ITS datasets from any biological sample  
(specimen, living specimen, **SOIL**, water, air, medical,  
etc.)

ITS sequences connected to the (type) specimen data,  
locality, traits, multimedia, etc.



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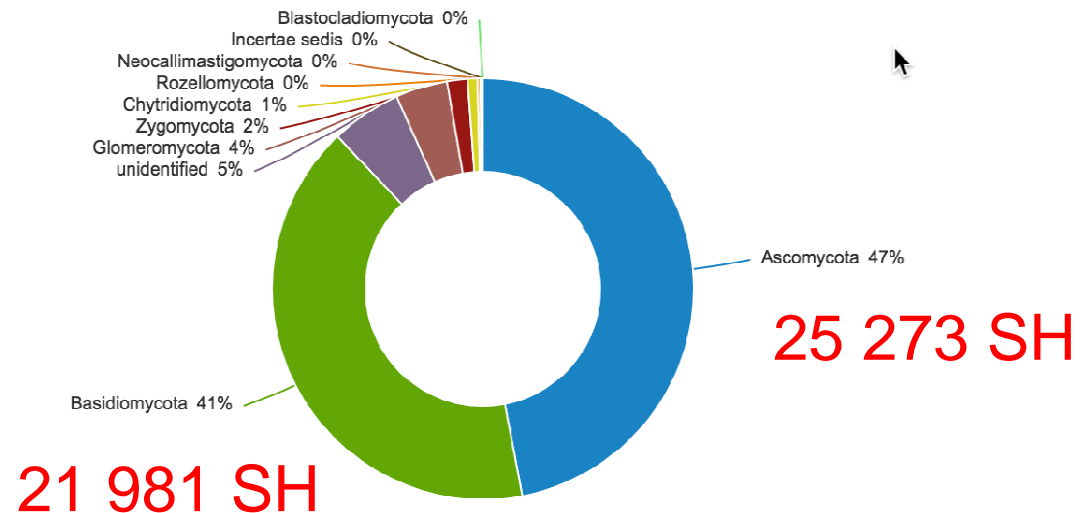
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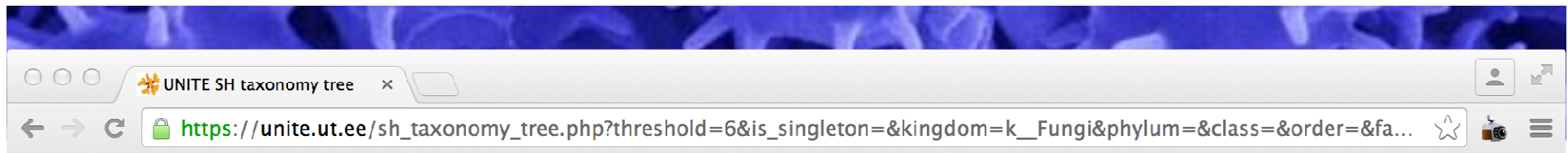
Fungi

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**Basidiomycota** (21981)  
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**Glomeromycota** (2139)  
**Incertae sedis** (23)  
**Neocallimastigomycota** (83)  
**Rozellomycota** (114)  
**unidentified** (2911)  
**Zygomycota** (841)

SH graph: kgd Fungi



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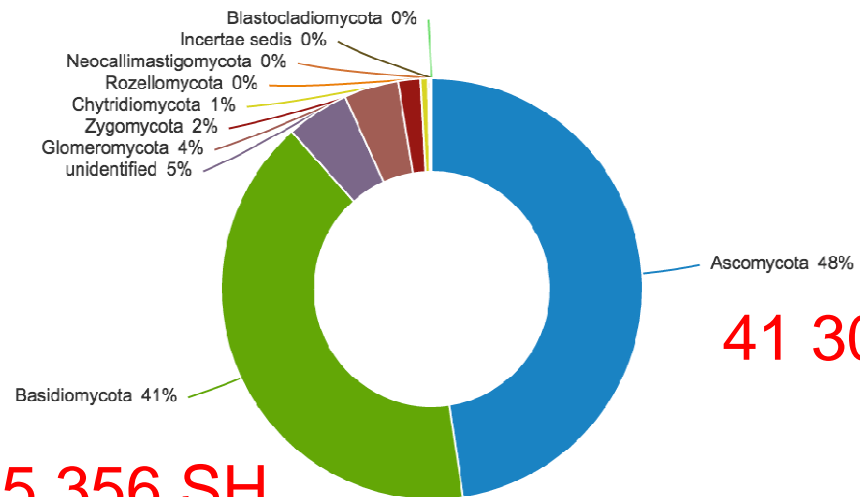
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Fungi

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**Glomeromycota** (3614)  
**Incertae sedis** (30)  
**Neocallimastigomycota** (110)  
**Rozellomycota** (127)  
**unidentified** (4195)  
**Zygomycota** (1485)


SH graph: kgd Fungi



41 302 SH

35 356 SH

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## Communication of the species

Accession code of the *Cortinarius xanthodryophilus* SH:

**SH184362.07FU**

is resolved with unique DOI (digital object identifier):

[dx.doi.org/10.15156/BIO/SH184362.07FU](https://dx.doi.org/10.15156/BIO/SH184362.07FU)

Version 7 includes 487 435 SHs and each of them have unique DOI

## Cortinarius xanthodryophilus | SH184362.07FU

Species Hypothesis pages version 7



Reference sequence

Accession numbers

HQ441244

Chosen by

Tuula Niskanen

Date

2014-11-09 23:04:52

Taxonomy

Placement in classification

Fungi; Basidiomycota; Agaricomycetes; Agaricales; Cortinariaceae; Cortinarius

See Cortinarius xanthodryophilus in Index Fungorum

Identifications

Cortinarius xanthodryophilus (5);

Statistics

Minimum distance to the closest SH

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No. of sequences in SH

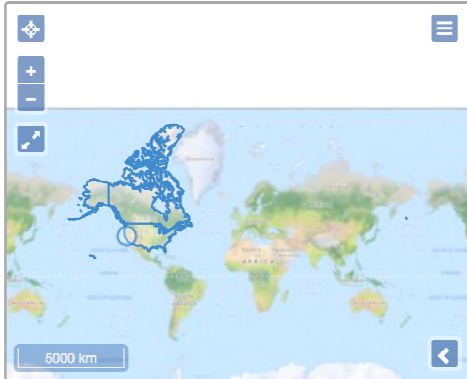
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Distribution of distances

Distribution of distances for SH184362.07FU (mothur v.1.34.4, pairwise.seqs)

distances (total count=10)

Distribution map



\*Locations without exact coordinates are displayed as country polygons

Ecology

Interacting taxa

Quercus (1); Quercus douglasii (1);

Metadata

Location

10.15156/BIO/SH184362.07FU

Dataset

Köljalg, Urmas; Abarenkov, Kessy; Nilsson, Henrik; Larsson, Karl-Henrik; Aas, Anders Bjørnsgard; Adams, Rachel; Alves, Artur; Ammirati, Joseph F.; Arnold, A. Elizabeth; Bahram, Mohammad et al. (2015); SH184362.07FU. UNITE Community. 10.15156/BIO/SH184362.07FU

Publisher

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VERSION EF644121.1 GI:157284042

KEYWORDS ENV.

SOURCE uncultured Boletus

ORGANISM [uncultured Boletus](#)

Eukaryota; Fungi; Dikarya; Basidiomycota; Agaricomycotina; Agaricomycetes; Agaricomycetidae; Boletales; Boletineae; Boletaceae; environmental samples.

REFERENCE 1 (bases 1 to 582)

AUTHORS Krpata,D., Peintner,U., Langer,I., Fitz,W.J. and Schweiger,P.  
TITLE Ectomycorrhizal communities associated with Populus tremula growing on a heavy metal contaminated site

JOURNAL Mycol. Res. 112 (PT 9), 1069-1079 (2008)

PUBMED [18692376](#)

REFERENCE 2 (bases 1 to 582)

AUTHORS Krpata,D., Peintner,U., Langer,I., Fitz,W. and Schweiger,P.

TITLE Direct Submission

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FEATURES Location/Qualifiers

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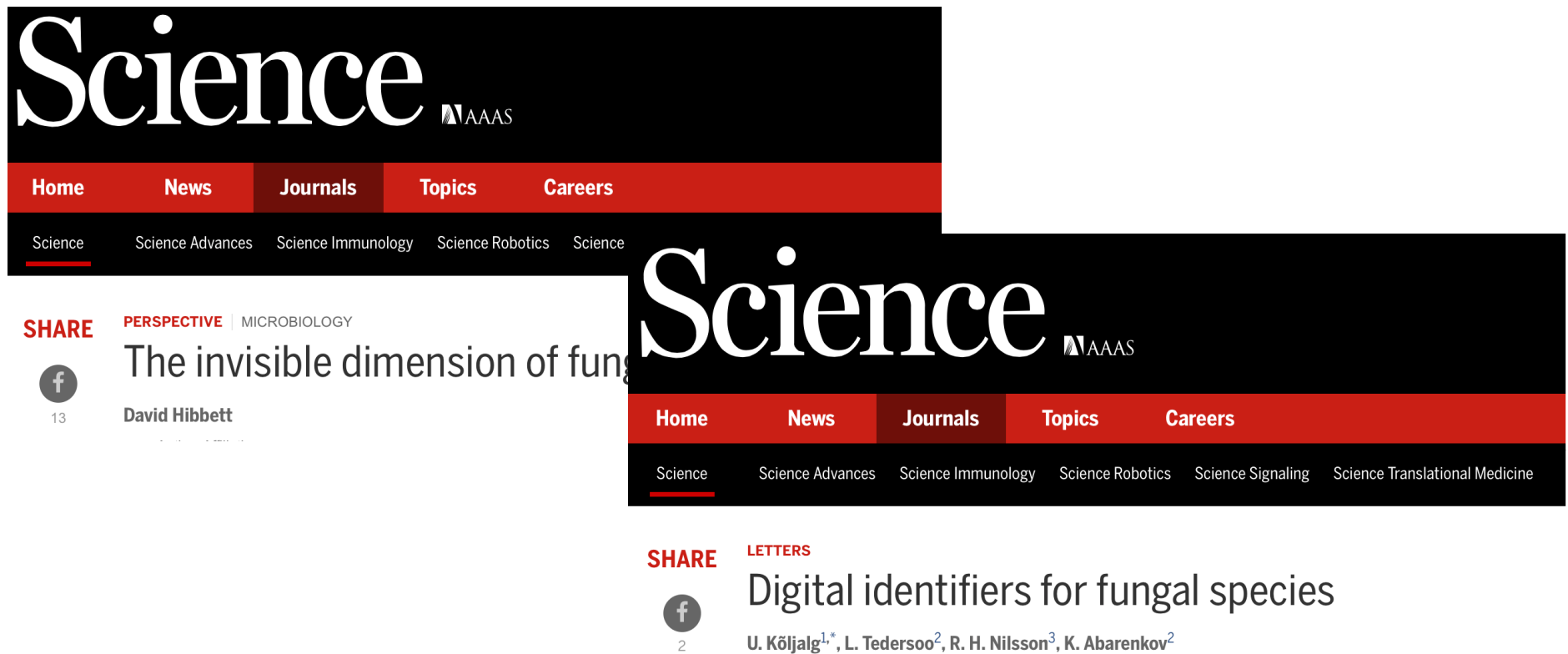
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# Identification and communication



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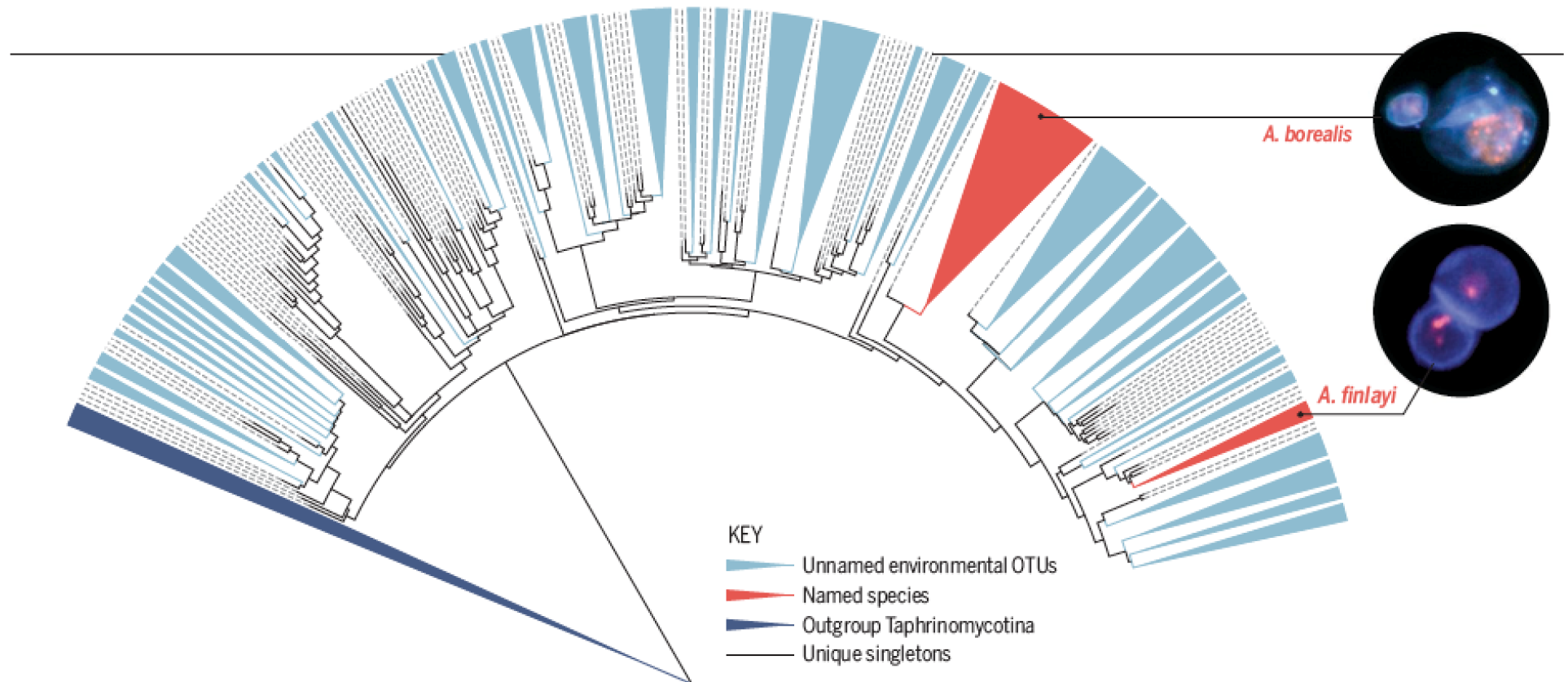
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# Unnamed environmental OTUs of Archaeorhizomycetes

Menkis et al 2014; Hibbett 2016



# Communication of unnamed species

2013		2014	2016		
UNITE SH (vers 6)	Seq. count	Menkis et al	UNITE SH (vers 7)	Seq. count	Taxon name (ver 7)
<a href="#">SH024357.06FU</a>	60	DQ497955	<a href="#">SH019951.07FU</a>	63	Archaeorhizomyces
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<a href="#">SH024364.06FU</a>	1		same SH	63	Archaeorhizomyces
<a href="#">SH024366.06FU</a>	1	*FJ440883	same SH	63	Archaeorhizomyces
<a href="#">SH024359.06FU</a>	3	EF434112	<a href="#">SH019954.07FU</a>	4	Archaeorhizomyces
<a href="#">SH024358.06FU</a>	6	GQ160036	<a href="#">SH019953.07FU</a>	4	Archaeorhizomyces
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<a href="#">SH005354.06FU</a>	74	HQ212088	same SH	77	Archaeorhizomyces
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<a href="#">SH037692.06FU</a>	1	*AY970243	same SH	1	Archaeorhizomyces
<a href="#">SH037686.06FU</a>	7	AY969872	<a href="#">SH032850.07FU</a>	7	Archaeorhizomyces
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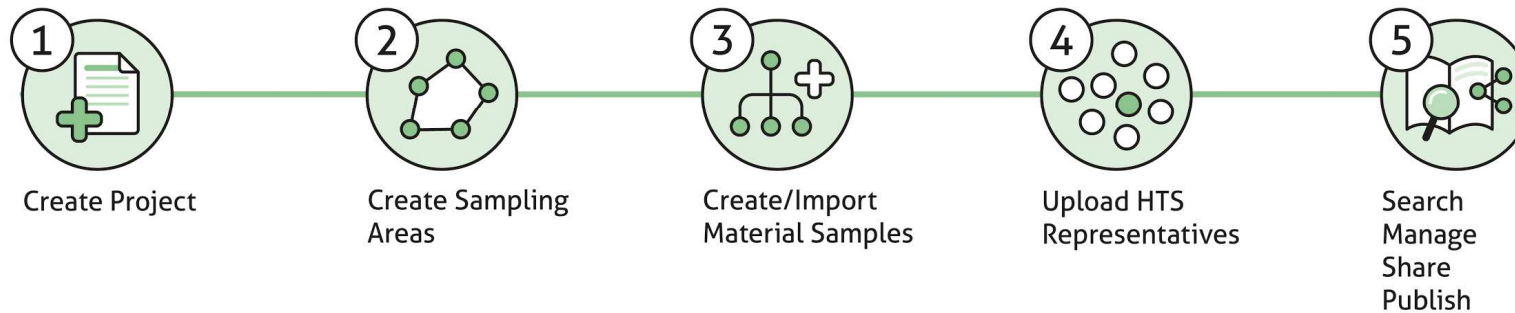
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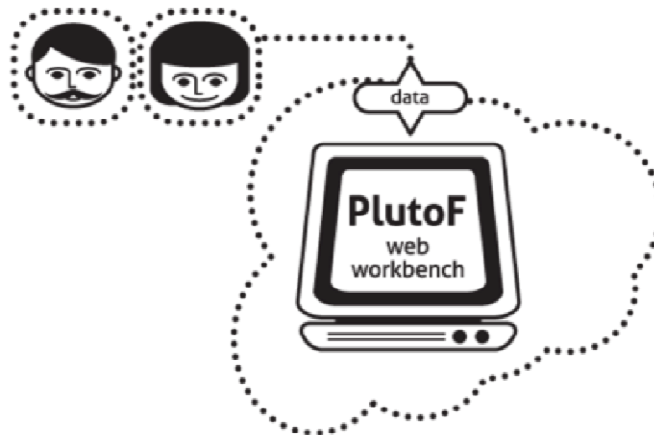
HTS sequences included in UNITE SH version 7



Accession	Organism	Country	Sample Type	RepSeq
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<a href="#">JX857198</a>	Fungi (uncultured fungus)	United States		
<a href="#">JX857214</a>	Fungi (uncultured fungus)	United States		
<a href="#">KC514890</a>	Sordariomycetes (Sordario...			
<a href="#">HQ611285</a>	Fungi (uncultured fungus)	Sweden		
<a href="#">KF274409</a>	Fungi (uncultured fungus)	Finland		
<a href="#">AM260917</a>	<b>Helotiales</b>	United Kingdom	Soil fungal DNA	
<a href="#">HF947879</a>	Helotiales (uncultured He...	Ireland		
<a href="#">HF947876</a>	Helotiales (uncultured He...	Ireland		
<a href="#">KC965984</a>	Fungi (uncultured fungus)	United States		
<a href="#">KF617245</a>	Fungi (uncultured fungus)	United States		
<a href="#">AB476482</a>	<b>Helotiales</b>	Sweden	Ericoid mycorrhiza	
<b>UDB020841</b>		Sweden	Soil fungal DNA	
<a href="#">KF879483</a>	Pezizomycotina (unculture...	United States		
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<a href="#">DQ273331</a>	<b>Helotiales</b>	United States	Ectomycorrhiza	
<a href="#">FJ152527</a>	Leotiomyces (uncultured...	Canada	Ectomycorrhiza	
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<a href="#">EF445405</a>	<b>Helotiales</b>	United Kingdom	Ericoid mycorrhiza	
<a href="#">AM260813</a>	Fungi (uncultured fungus)	United Kingdom	Soil fungal DNA	
<a href="#">AM292203</a>	Ascomycota (ascomycete sp...	United Kingdom	Soil fungal DNA	
<a href="#">AM260927</a>	Fungi (uncultured fungus)	United Kingdom	Soil fungal DNA	

## Metabarcoding Projects





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### News

#### PlutoF and Pensoft started to develop new publishing systems,

In November 9-12, PlutoF team visited academic publishing company Pensoft in Bulgaria. The aim was to develop prototype connecting the two systems - Pensoft's ARPHA writing tool and PlutoF Biodiversity Platform. This is multi-phase development project.

#### Estonian bird observations are published in global biodiversity portal GBIF

Regular bird observations and observations made with mobile application "Minu loodusheli" are now available through GBIF portal. Original source of data is PlutoF - information system for biodiversity developed by the Natural History Museum (University of Tartu).

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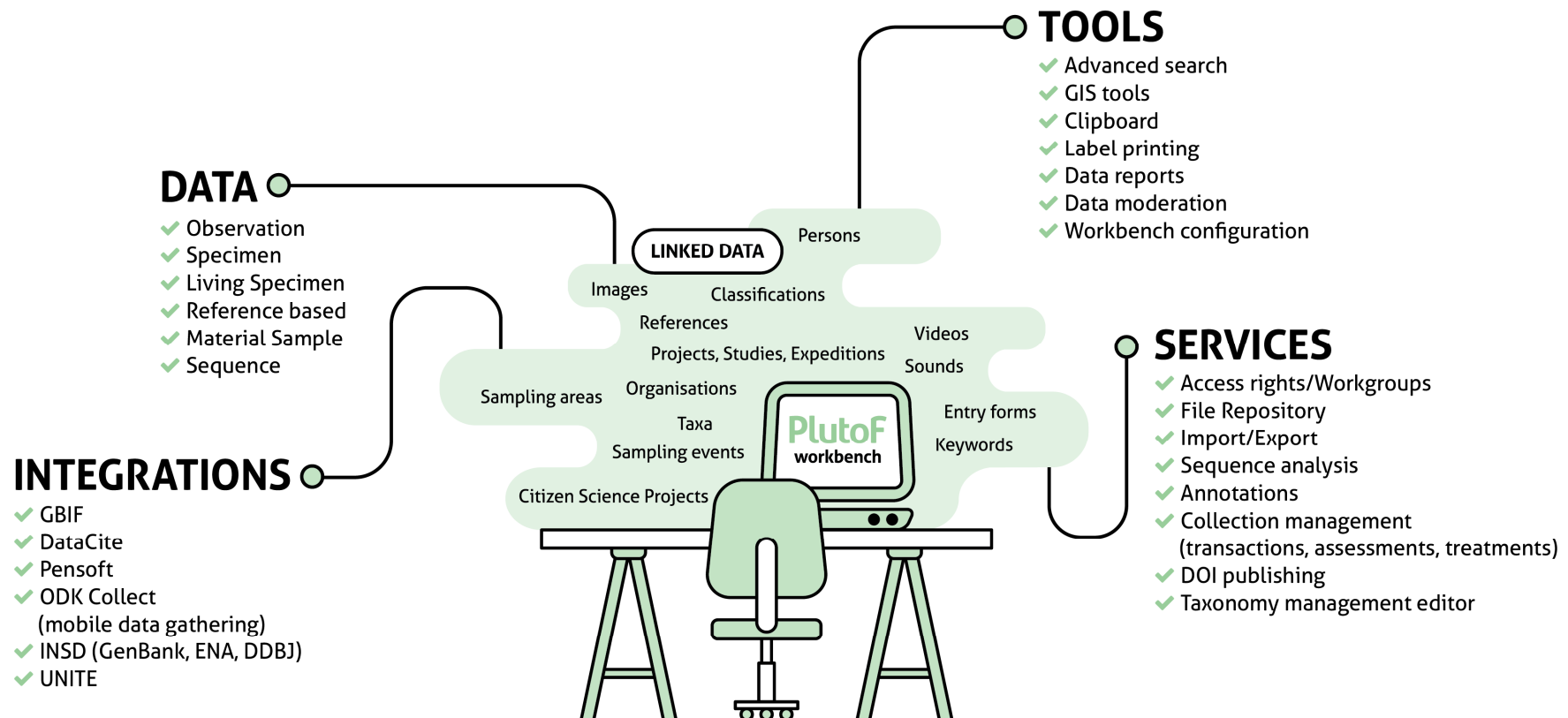


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Open Data / Open Access

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For the inhouse analyses or for the building  
identification pipelines

HTS pipelines: QIIME, mothur, SCATA, CREST,  
UCHIME, UTAX.



## Identification of species

All UNITE SH accession codes are connected to the Fungal classification.

It means OTUs will receive accession codes and will be connected to the classification even when species names are not available.



Thank you!

Kessy Abarenkov



Allan Zirk

