

# **Basic GBIF Search Instructions**

#### **Accessing GBIF's Search Page**

To access GBIF please click the following link: <u>GBIF CAS Botany Collections</u>. This link will take you directly to the **CAS Botany dataset**.

<u>Alternatively</u>, you can navigate to the GBIF home page, at <u>gbif.org</u>, and click on **Occurrences.** From search filters on the left of the screen scroll down and click **Dataset**. Type **CAS Botany** into the search field and press enter. The dataset has now been filtered to only show CAS Botany collections.

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Occurrence status	~	Syntrichia ruralis Weber & D.Mohr, 1803	United States of America	2021 March Preserved specimer			
Licence	~	Grimmia orbicularis Bruch ex Wilson	United States of America	2021 March Preserved specimer			
Scientific name	~	Tortula inermis (Brid.) Mont.	United States of America	2021 March Preserved specimer			
Verbatim scientific name	~	Didymodon eckeliae Zander, 2001	United States of America	2021 April Preserved specimer			
Basis of record	~	Phalaris arundinacea L	United States of America 38 4N 122 8W	2021 April Preserved specimer			
Location     ~       Administrative areas (gadm.org)     ~       Coordinate uncertainty in metres     ~							
		Ronppa curvisiliqua (Hook.) Bessey ex Britt	United States of America 38.4N, 122.8W	2021 April Preserved specimer			
		Trifolium oliganthum Steud.	United States of America 38.5N, 122.6W	2021 April Preserved specimer			
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Month	~	Phalaris lemmonii Vasey	United States of America 38.5N, 122.8W	2021 April Preserved specimer			
Dataset	~	Calandrinia breweri S.Watson	United States of America 38.5N, 122.6W	2021 April Preserved specimer			
✓ CAS Botany (BOT)		Didymodon vinealis var. rubiginosus (Mitt.)	United States of America	2021 April Preserved specimer			
Country or area	~	Pterostegia drymarioides Fisch. & C.A.Mey.	United States of America 38.5N, 122.6W	2021 April Preserved specimer			
Continent		Didymodon norrisii Zander, 1999	United States of America	2021 April Preserved specimer			
Issues and flags ${\scriptstyle \lor}$		Didymodon eckeliae Zander, 2001	United States of America	2021 April Preserved specimer			
Media type	~	Antirrhinum kelloggii Greene	United States of America 38.5N, 122.6W	2021 April Preserved specimer			
Publisher	~	Grimmia moxlevi R.S.Williams	United States of America	2021 April Preserved specimer			
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## **Understanding Some of the Search Fields**

The below table lists some of the most commonly used fields from GBIF and their equivalent CAS fields.

GBIF Field	CAS Field		
Catalogue Number	Barcode Number		
Institution Code	Herbarium Code (= cas)		
Other Catalogue Numbers	May include a string with Herbarium + Accession Number		
Record Number	Collector Number		
Recorded by	Collector		

#### **Searching GBIF**

- There is a **Simple** search and an **Advanced** search. The Advanced search contains more fields (like Recorded by and Record Number).
- Currently, there are no search operators that function as "like", "contains" or "not equal to".
- Also, there are no search wildcards such as \* or %.
- When entering terms into the search fields, the filter will provide suggestions and you can choose from that list of suggestions.
- For example, when searching collector names choose all of the possible name variations. See image below.





### **Customizing the Search Results Window**

To change the columns in the search results window located on the right side of the screen, click the three vertical dots. Choose the table columns needed and click **Done**.



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~	TABLE GALLERY MAP TAXONOMY	METRICS 👱	SELECT TABLE COLUMNS	
	Scientific name	Country or area	Country or area	Basis of record
~	Triquetrella californica Grout, 1934	United States of A	Coordinates	Preserved specime
~	Polytrichum piliferum Hedwig, 1801	United States of A	Month & year	Preserved specime
~	Isothecium stoloniferum Hook. ex Brid.	United States of A	Basis of record	Preserved specime
~	Polytrichastrum alpinum G.L.Smith, 1971	United States of A	Dataset	Preserved specime
~	Isothecium stoloniferum Hook. ex Brid.	United States of A		Preserved specime
~	Dicranoweisia cirrata (Hedw.) Lindb. ex Milde	United States of A		Preserved specime
~	Atrichum selwynii Austin, 1877	United States of A	Organism quantity	Preserved specime
~	Rosulabryum J.R.Spence	United States of A	Organism quantity type	Preserved specime
~	Pleuridium acuminatum Lindberg, 1863	United States of A	Sample size unit	Preserved specime
~	Sematophyllum adnatum Britton, 1902	United States of A	Sample size value	Preserved specime
~	Ceratodon purpureus Bridel, 1826	United States of A	Record number	Preserved specime
~	Dicranum howellii Renauld & Cardot, 1888	United States of A	Recorded by	Preserved specime
~	Zygodon rupestris W.P.Schimper ex Lorentz,	United States of A	Catalogue number	Preserved specime
~	Grimmia trichophylla Greville, 1824	United States of A	Collection code	Preserved specime
~	Homalothecium arenarium E.Lawton, 1965	United States of A	Identified by	Preserved specime
~	Dicranella heteromalla W.P.Schimper, 1856	United States of A	Publisher	Preserved specime
~	Brachythecium acutum Sullivant, 1874	United States of A	Locality	Preserved specime
~	Tortula muralis Hedwig, 1801	United States of A	DONE	



#### **Downloading the Search Results**

To download search results you must have an account and be signed in.

There are a few download options available. Those options are:

- SIMPLE
- DARWIN CORE ARCHIVE
- SPECIES LIST

Please note the differences between each download option. The Darwin Core Archive option will have more data and is, therefore, a larger file size.

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After choosing one of the download options above, a prompt will appear. Read the prompt and click **Understood** to continue the download.





Click **Download** to begin downloading the dataset. Please note that GBIF provides a citation to use in publications. The download may take a few minutes depending on the size of the file.

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#### **Viewing Images**

After applying your search filters (i.e. Scientific Name, Location, etc.), you can view the images by clicking **Gallery** at the top of the search results window. Records that have images will be displayed.





Alternatively, you can view images individually. Go to **Table** and click on a record. The image (if available) can be found within the record.

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