

[1] Establishing Open-Access Online Reference Collections for Archaeobotanical Research

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Limited access to high quality reference material has been a limiting factor in the advancement of archaeobotanical research. However, advancements in web-based database technology and faster downloading times make online curation of archaeobotanical reference images feasible for the first time and will help standardize and improve the identification of archaeobotanical remains. We describe the creation and functioning of www.paleobot.org <<http://www.paleobot.org/>>, the first open-access online reference collection database for macrobotanical, starch, phytolith and isotopic data.