



## Joint webinar discussion on the need for a Specimen Management Plan

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Please join representatives from the Biodiversity Collections Network ([BCoN](#)) and the U.S. Culture Collection Network ([USCCN](#)) for a joint webinar discussion on the need for a Specimen Management Plan requirement in research proposals that generate living or preserved specimens. Recommended by the National Academies' report on biological collections in 2020, this requirement is now supported by the recently enacted CHIPS and Science Act. Join us for a discussion about the elements of a specimen management plan and its benefits to various stakeholder communities.

**Location:** Online via Zoom (The program will be recorded)

**Date:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023

**Time:** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

**Hosted by:** American Institute of Biological Sciences & Natural Science Collections Alliance

In advance of this program, we encourage you to review the following reading materials:

- BCoN & USCCN. November 2022. [Specimen Management Plan Draft Proposal](#).
- National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2020. Biological Collections: Ensuring Critical Research and Education for the 21st Century. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press. <https://doi.org/10.17226/25592>.
- O'Brien KM, et al. The time is right for an Antarctic biorepository network. Proc Natl Acad Sci USA. 2022 Dec 13; 119(50): e2212800119. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2212800119>

We will be soliciting community input on the draft proposal linked above after the webinar. Please stay tuned for more information and register for the webinar to receive updates.

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