



Worldwide Engagement for
Digitizing Biocollections
(WeDigBio):
a global data campaign,
virtual science festival, and
local outreach opportunity

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What is WeDigBio?

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A citizen science event of
mass digitization that
focuses on science,
biodiversity, community
building, and our
collections.



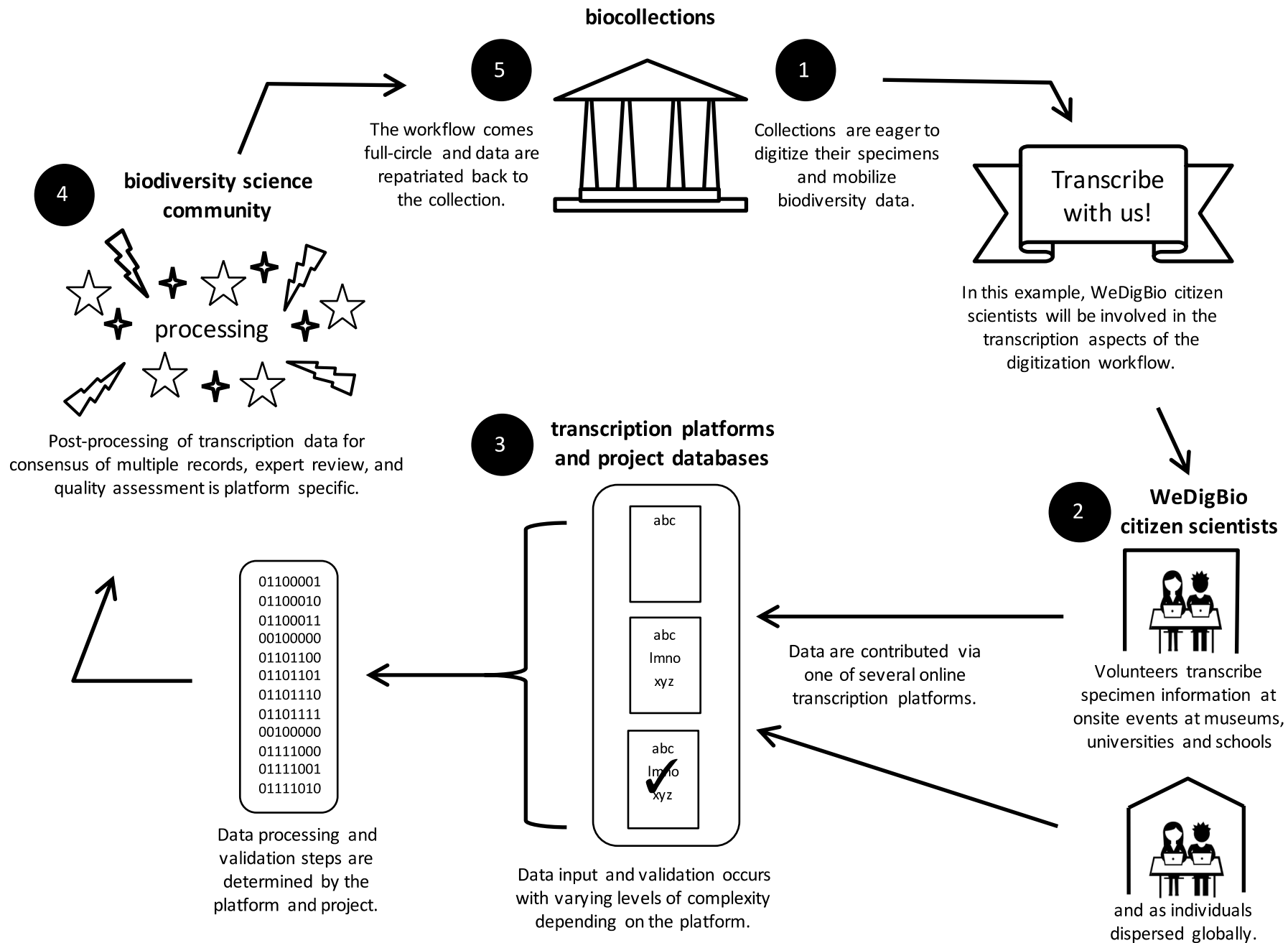
2016 Event at Transdisciplinary University, Bangalore, India

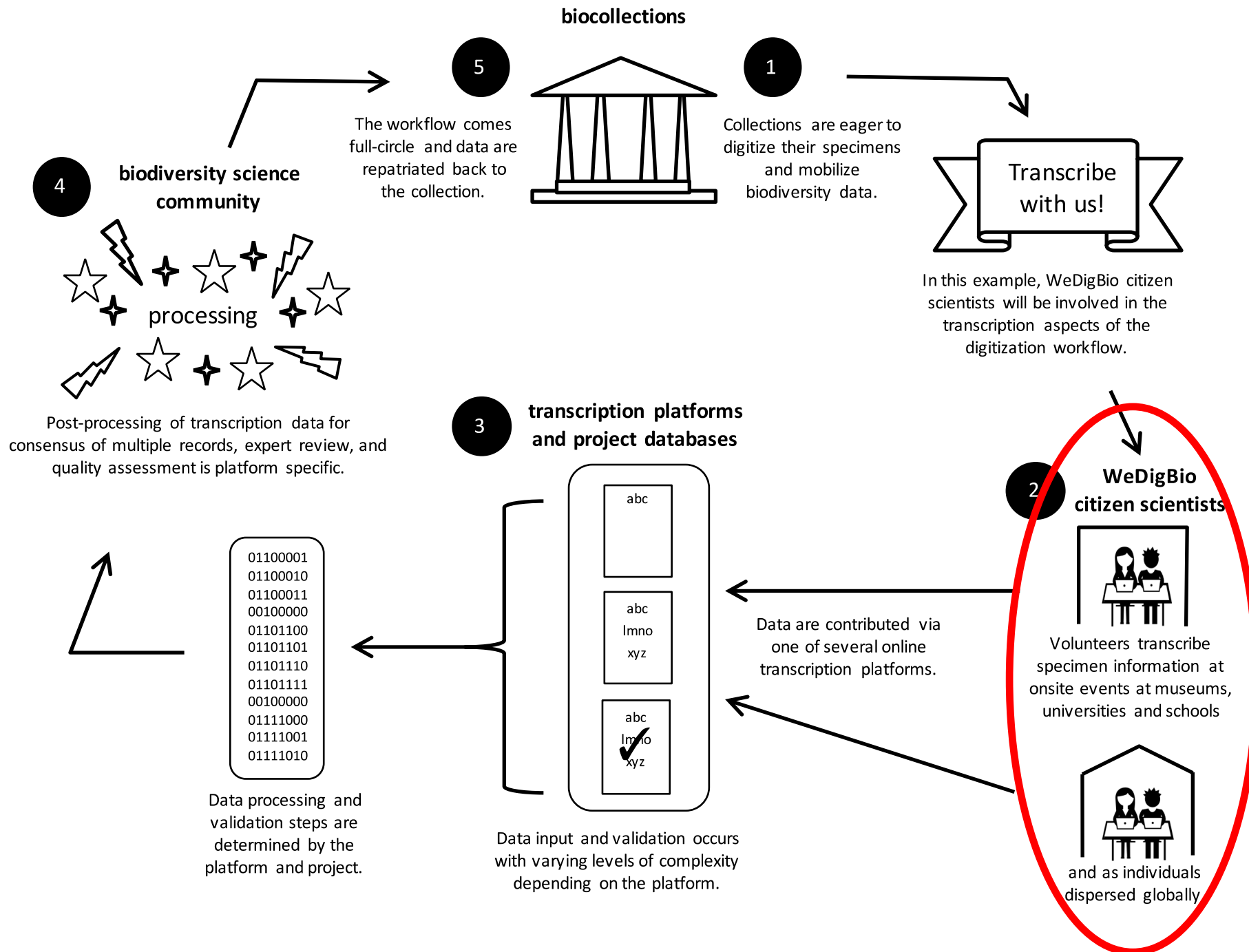
WeDigBio Goals

- Increase the rate of digitization of biodiversity collections
- Raise the profile of collections and their significance in science, society, and education
- Build our global biodiversity crowdsourcing community



WeDigBio event at BRIT, Fort Worth, TX





Citizen scientist participation



Onsite

at museums,
universities,
and schools

Online

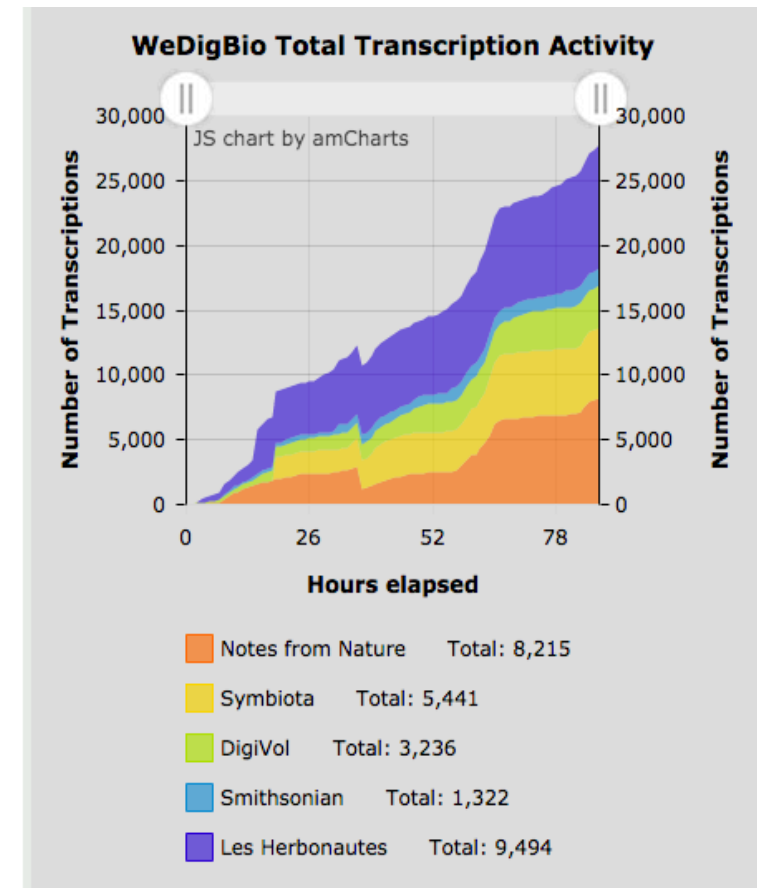
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around the
world

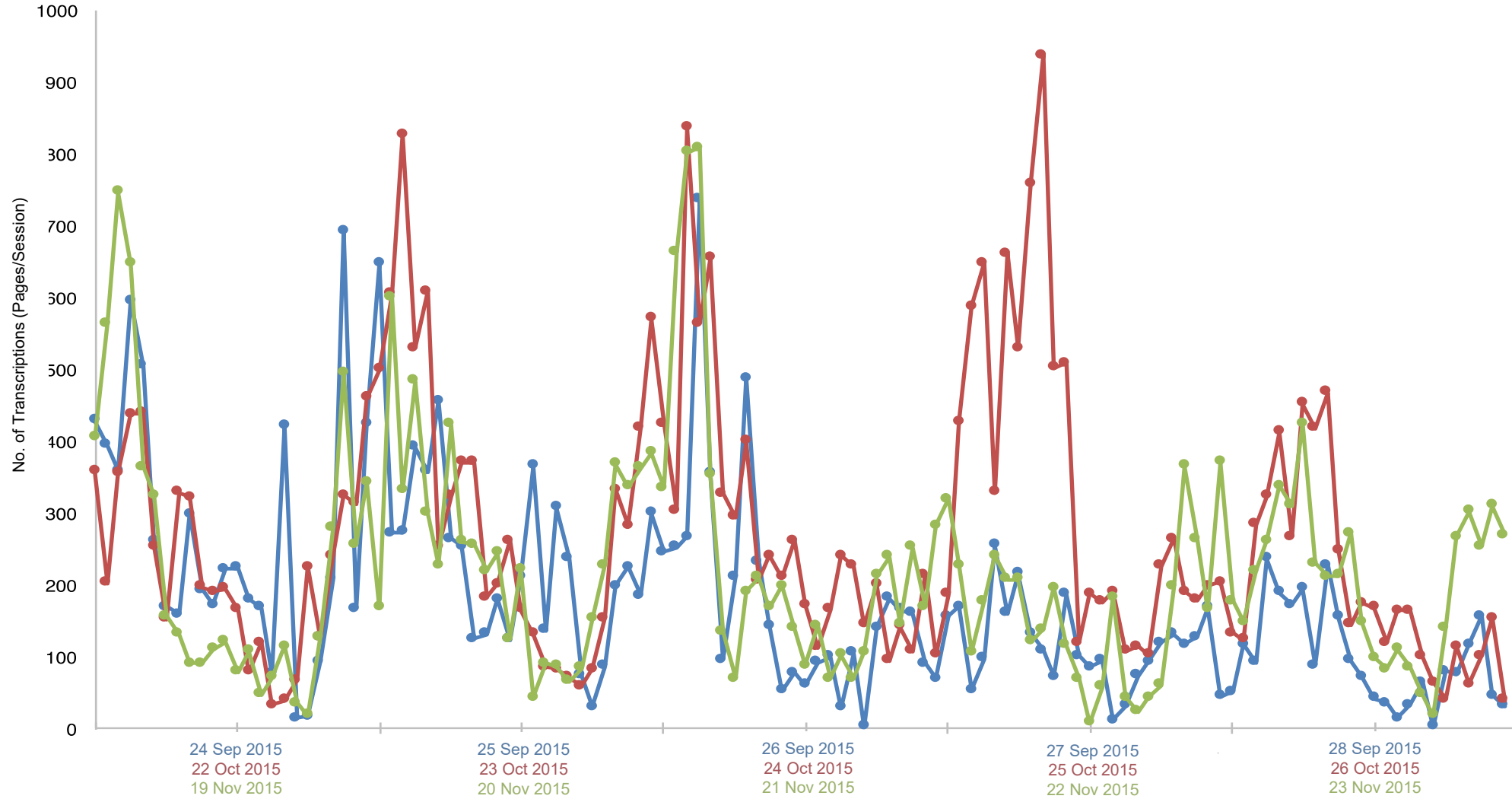
Online Transcription Platform

- DigiVol (Atlas of Living Australia)
- DoeDat
- Les Herbonautes (Paris Herbarium)
- Notes from Nature (and other Zooniverse projects)
- Smithsonian Transcription Center

Each Year: 2015 - present

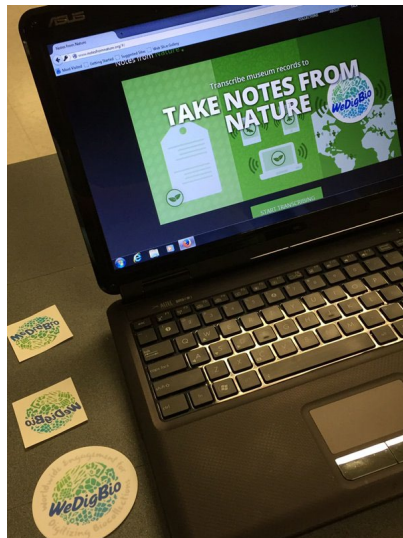
- Thousands of global participants
- Tens of thousands of transcription tasks
- Dozens of events





Enhancing the Experience

- Tattoos, stickers, and prizes
- Researchers give lectures and tours of collections
- University classes use WeDigBio lesson plans and games
- Shared photos and stories via social media



WeDigBio stickers and tattoos

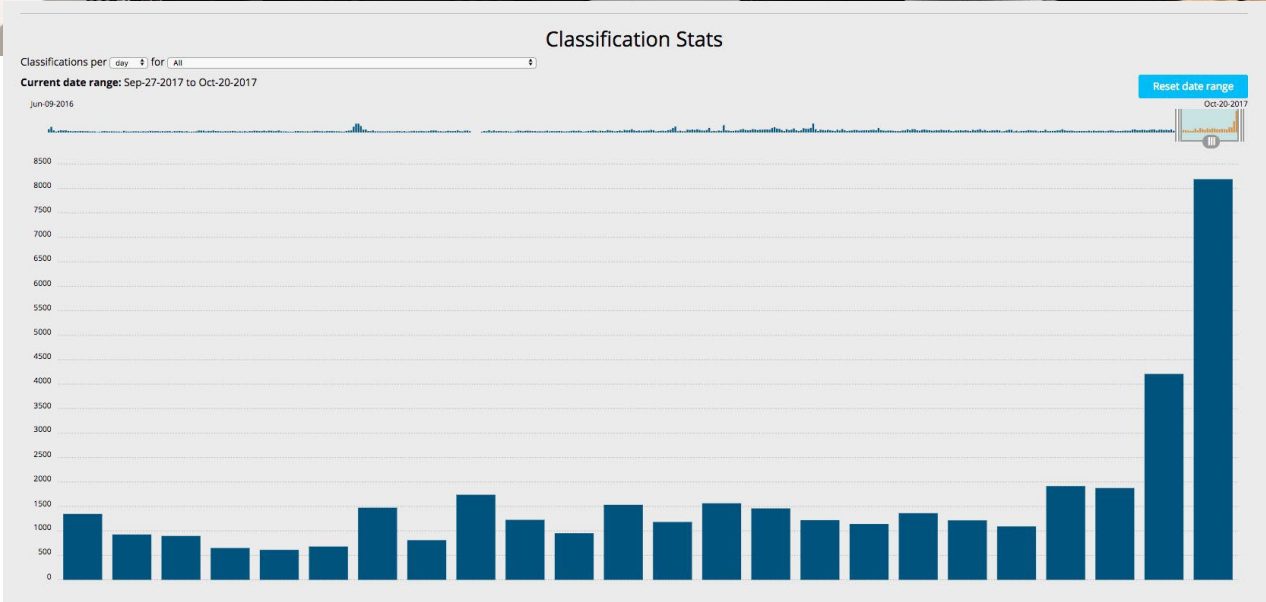


Twitter



Online transcriber's view





CITIZEN SCIENCE Day

SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH
10:00 AM – 12:00 NOON

FISHER SCIENCE COMPUTER LAB
33-258

HELP THE ROBERT F. HOOVER HERBARIUM MAKE
VITAL BIODIVERSITY DATA PUBLICLY AVAILABLE BY
TRANSCRIBING PLANT SPECIMEN DATA

- SEE THE HERBARIUM
- LOOK AT PLANTS
- PLAY GAMES
- WIN PRIZES


RSVP: [HTTP://TINYURL.COM/Y5URZEPQ](http://tinyurl.com/Y5URZEPQ)



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HABITAT BINGO

you transcribe.

		creek	trail	lake
shaded	dry	woods	hillside	moist
edge	beach		cultivated	scrub
coastal	slope	oak	desert	forest
pine	sand	field	canyon	prairie



Smithsonian
National Museum of Natural History



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- As a host of your own project (BID)
 - Work with a platform, e.g., Notes From Nature, to post your project
 - (as above)





Mark your calendars!

7-10 April 2022

October dates TBD

Thank you!

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