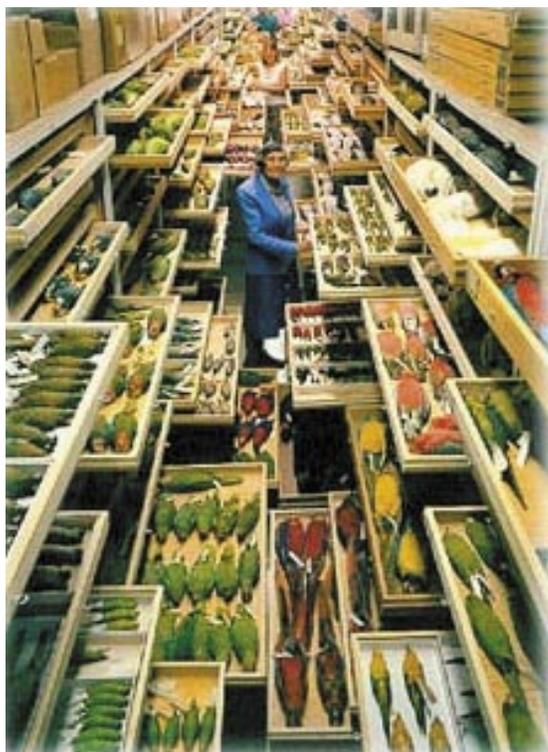




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Topics in Conservation Science Lecture

Research in Preservation of Natural History Collections



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Natural History Collections have been an important source of information for many different studies.

Ensuring the appropriateness of collection storage conditions, as well as any conservation treatments that are used, requires an understanding of any deterioration process occurring in these collections.

Several aspects of current research will be described. This will include the problem of pesticides such as arsenic in taxidermy collections, and the effect of tanning and fixation processes on the properties of skin.



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