

A new online database of tree-ring and ecological information for scientists and managers

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BACKGROUND

The study of tree rings (dendrochronology) provides a powerful tool to understand tree growth and the response of trees to a range of environmental influences (e.g., stand suppression and release, stress response to drought and other disturbances). Although useful, collecting and analyzing tree rings can be time consuming and involve the use of highly specialized equipment (e.g., microscopes, electronic micrometers, etc.) for accurate measurement and interpretation. Foresters and ecologists are often interested in understanding tree growth for many species across varied landscapes – a difficult and expensive undertaking for any one person or group. To overcome these limitations, we created the DendroEcological Network (DEN) (https://www.uvm.edu/femc/dendro) - an easily searchable online database of tree ring and associated ecological data from sites across the northeastern forest. On it users can explore, locate and download dendroecological data by scrolling through regional maps depicting sample plot locations, or toggling through links for data organized by species, states, and projects. Through its user-friendly interface, the DEN provides an open access repository for the discovery, exploration and sharing (consider adding your work) of dendroecological data by ecologists, conservationists and managers for evaluations of forest health and productivity.

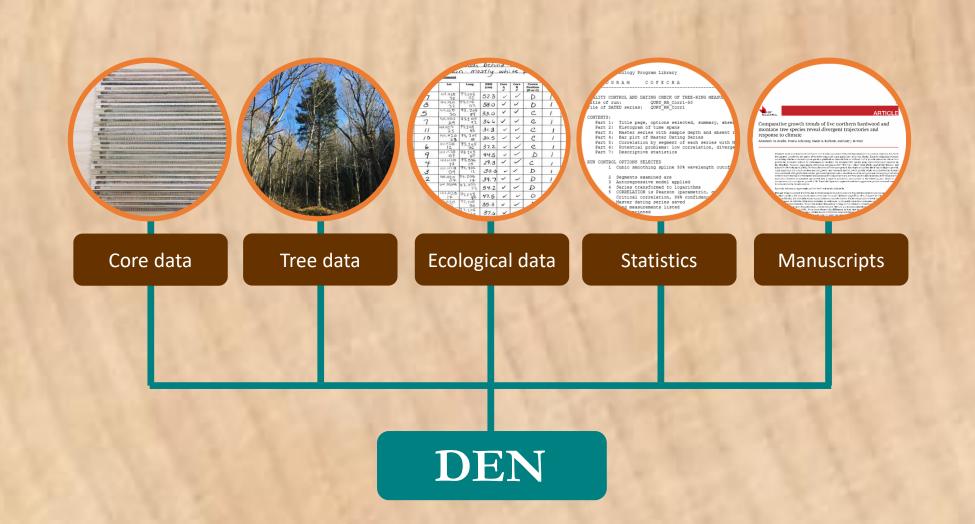
USE BY SCIENTISTS AND MANAGERS

Allows users to compare growth:

- among species (e.g., which are growing best/worst)
- among sites (e.g., your site versus others nearby or regionally)
- for spatial patterns (e.g., where is growth best/worst)
- for temporal patterns (e.g., when was growth best/worst)
- with potential environmental drivers (e.g., temperature and precipitation)

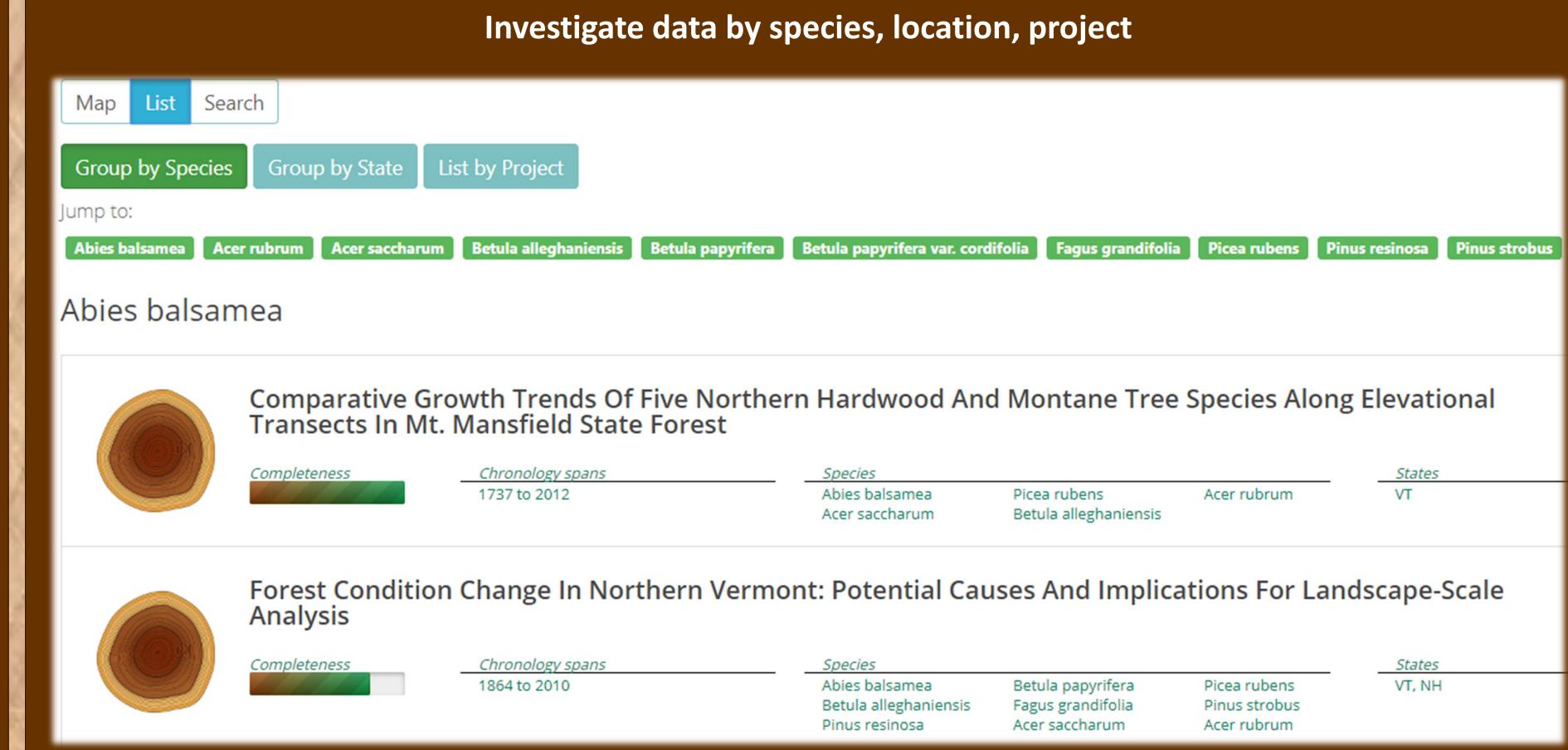
WHY CONTRIBUTE YOUR DATA TO THE DEN?

- Long-term archiving of dendrochronological and ecological metadata
- Meet granting agency requirements
- Facilitate comparison with other large datasets (e.g., ITRDB, FIA)
- Data sharing with ecology, conservation and management, silviculture, modeling, dendrochronology and environmental science communities



EXPLORE AND DOWNLOAD DATA WITH A USER-FRIENDLY INTERFACE

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Explore database by keyword, species, temporal range, crown class arch for projects in the database by entering a keyword or by setting constraints using the advanced search options. Keywords: Enter keywords to search for in descriptions and titles Advanced search options All species Starting Ending on or Limit by temporal YYYY YYYY imit by crown Codominant Dominant Intermediate Unknown imit by region Map search coming soon Search the Database

Access detailed project data: methods, plot and tree data, statistical files (COFECHA, R), metadata, completeness record Comparative growth trends of five Northern hardwood and montane tree species along elevational transects in Mt. Mansfield State Forest Tree Data Raw Core Data Download Data and Files environmental variables among dominant tree species along elevational gradients at Mt. Mansfield, VT: balsam fir, red maple, red spruce, sugar maple, and yellow birch. Principal Investigator: Alexandra Kosiba, Paul Schaberg, Gary Hawley, Shelly Rayback Primary Contact: Alexandra Kosiba Laboratory: Schaberg/Hawley/Rayback Dendrochronology Recommended Citation: Kosiba AM, Schaberg PG, Rayback SA, and Hawley GJ. 2012. Tree cores from three elevational transects along Mt. Project Contents: Data for 9 Plots, 268 Trees, 479 Cores **Project Period**: 2012-10-05 to 2016-07-21 Acer rubrum Acer saccharum Abies balsamea Betula alleghanien



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