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# ITCER research data and ITCER photomonitoring datasets with images

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#### ITCER:

- Environmental Research
  - Biodiversity → Field, Laboratory
  - Ecology → Field, Laboratory
  - O Human health → Field, Laboratory (?)



#### ITCER:

Environmental Research

Field

→ Samples → Data

Laboratory

→ Samples → Data

Data node

→ Data publication

Seminar

→ Information and outreach

Video Conferences

→ Information and outreach

Journals

→ Scientific publication







- Biomes in Kenya (examples):
  - Grassland (Savannah)

Woodland (Rainforests)









Biomes in Siaya County (example)



- Monitoring
  - Vegetation (Plants)
  - Animals
  - o Microbiomes (Fungi, Bacteria)
- Gathering Contextual Data
- Grassland Maintenance Experiments: gathering biomass

- Monitoring on defined vegetation plots
  - Alpha diversity of organisms



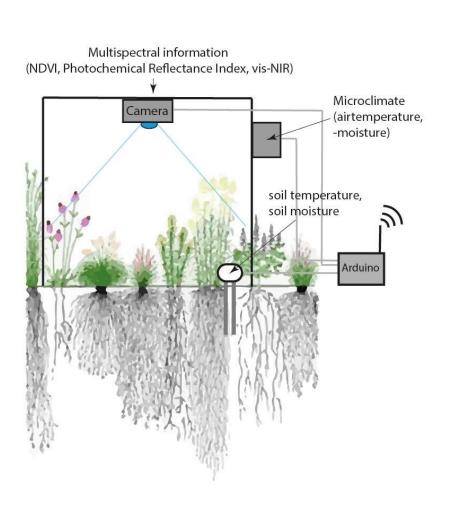
- Monitoring
  - Vegetation (Plants)
  - Animals
  - o Microbiomes (Fungi, Bacteria)
- Gathering Contextual Data → Geocoordinates
- Gathering environmental samples

 Gathering Contextual Data (Weather Station)





- Grassland Maintenance Experiments
  - Monitoring Station
    - Environmental conditions (soil and atmosphere)
    - Vegetation productivity
    - Alpha diversity of plant and animal species

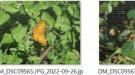


#### **Data Products**

- Alpha diversity of organisms on standardised plots
- Storage and transfer of image data



















• Biomes:

Macrobiome

Microbiome











- Biomes:
  - Macrobiome

- → Plants
- $\rightarrow$  Animals



Microbiome

- $\rightarrow$  Fungi
- → 'Protists'
- → Bacteria, Archaea





- Species identification by
  - Macrophenotypic traits (macrophotography)
  - Microphenotypic traits (microphotography of environmental samples)
  - Genotypic traits (DNA species barcoding of environmental samples)







- Interactions
- Networks



























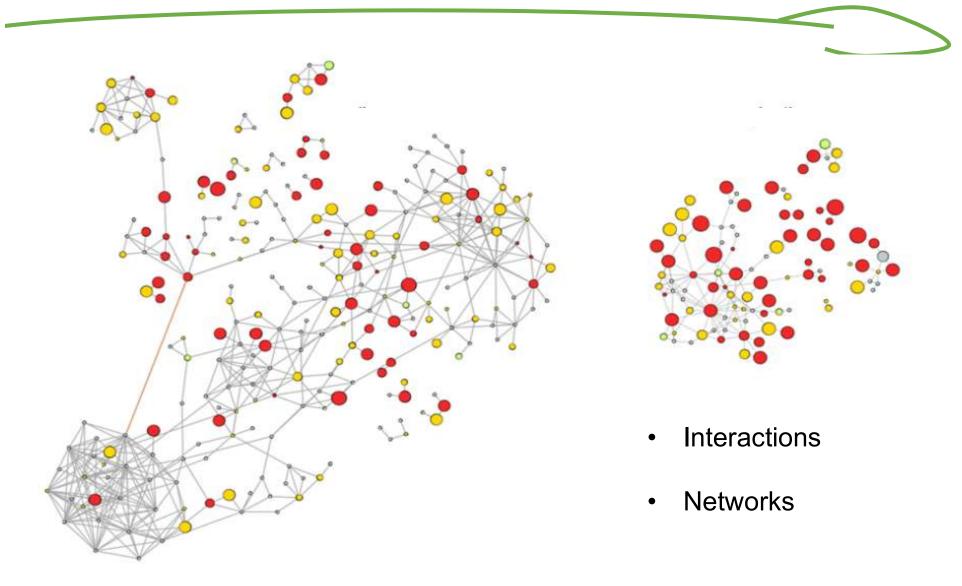




#### Data Analysis

- Network analyses of
  - Macrobiome(s) (recording interactions from species photo records)
  - Microbiome(s) (modelling of betadiversity data)

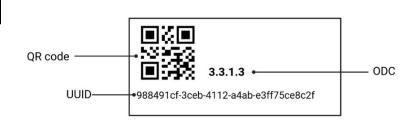




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 Universal Unique IDentifier (UUID) and Operation design code (ODC) [optional]

for determination of sample identity and origin



 Labels attached to containers of environmental samples





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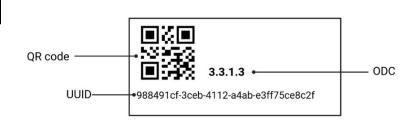
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#### Data Analysis

- Alpha- and betadiversity of
  - Macrobiome(s) (elementary statistics from species photo records)
  - Microbiome(s) (elementary statistics from DNA community barcoding)

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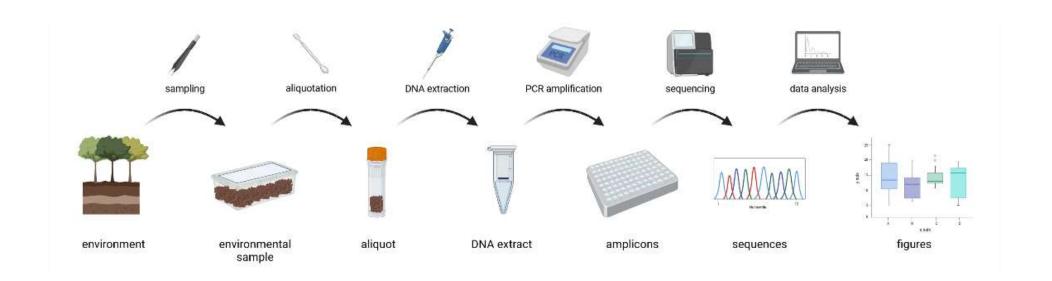
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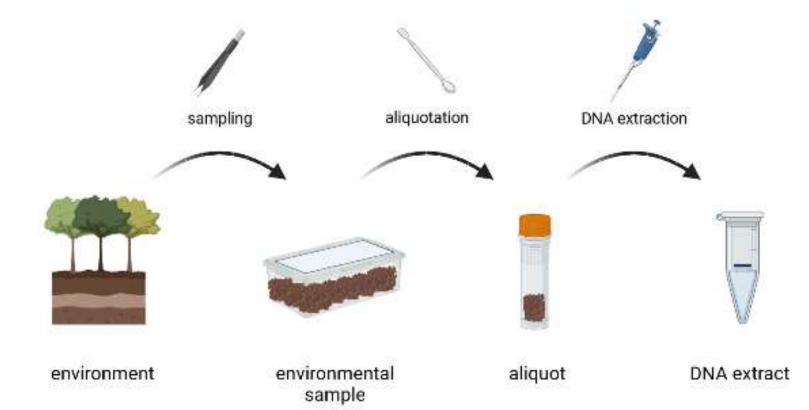
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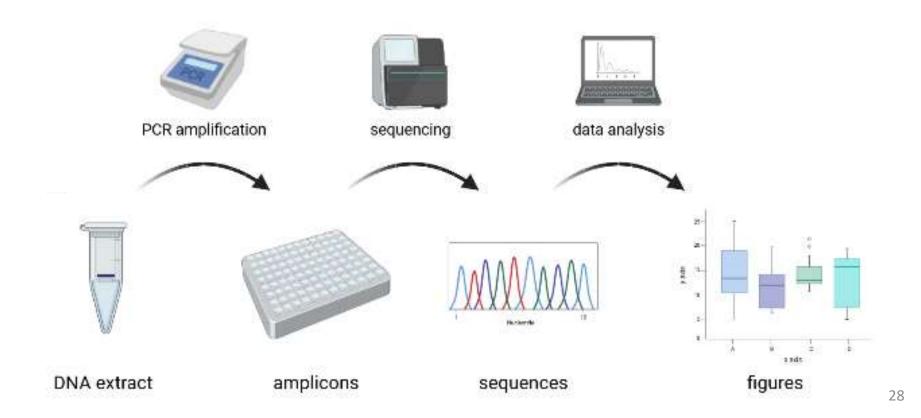
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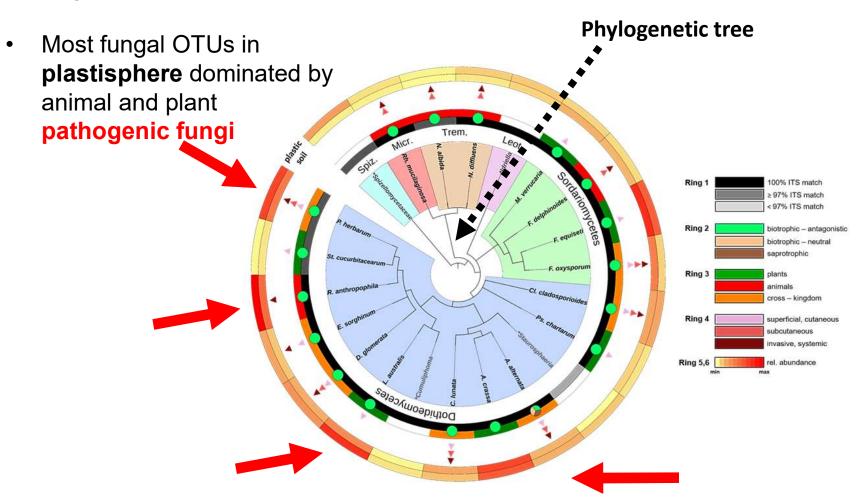


- Research objects
  - Siaya township
    - altitude 1200–1300 m ASL
    - dump sites
    - different types of plastic
  - Mycobiomes on/in
    - plastic particles
    - surrounding soil



#### Mycobiomes

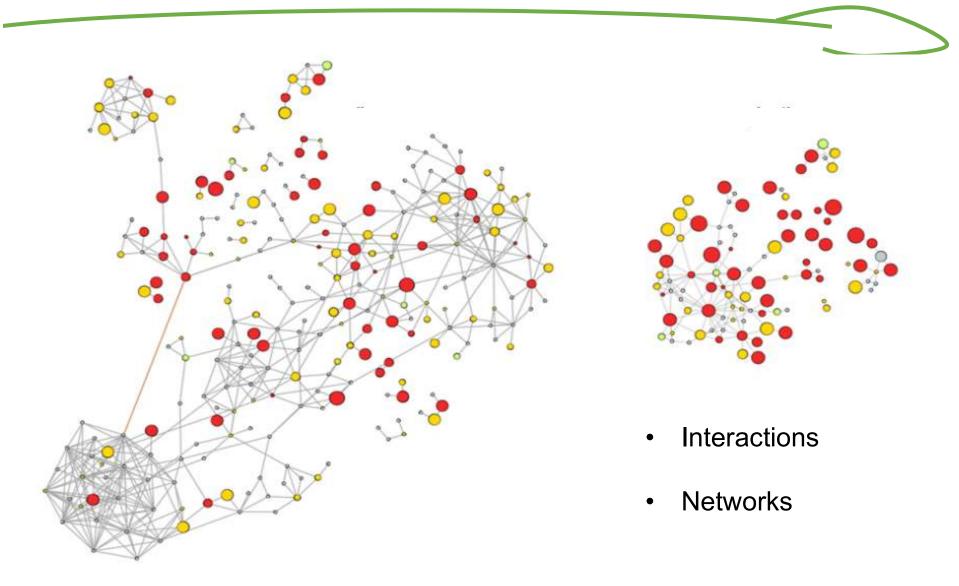
#### Findings



#### Data Analysis

- Network analyses of
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  - Microbiome(s) (modelling of betadiversity data)





## **Monitoring Data Basics**

- Data flow
  - o Schema
  - Protocol
  - Physical and digital object locations
    - Plots
    - Databases
    - Image repositories

#### Image names from camera





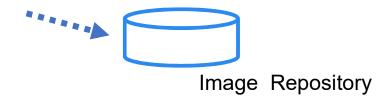






#### Raw images

Image IDs









#### Physical objects

- o Environmental samples
- o DNA extracts, amplicons
- o DNA libraries
- o Sec. metabolite extracts

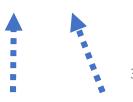


























Processed images

Image Repository

Image IDs



Raw images

Image IDs



Taxon identification, classification











EXIF 'metadata' extraction: Space-time coordinates



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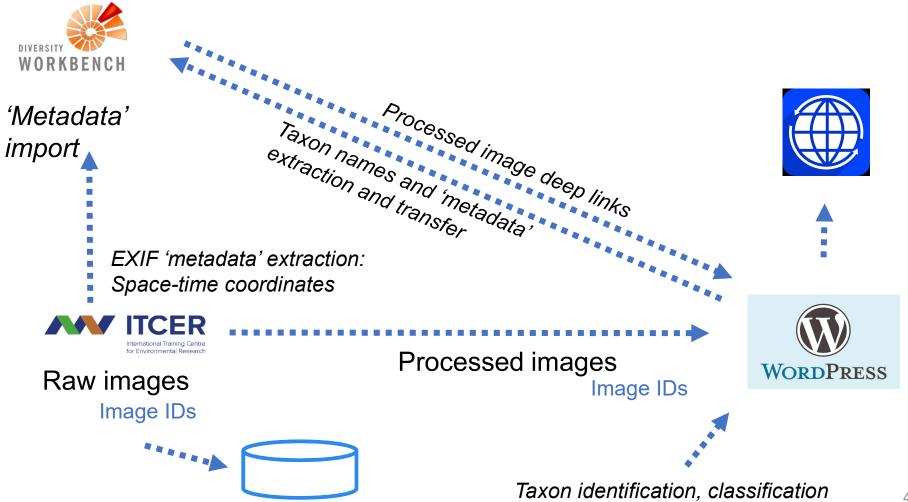
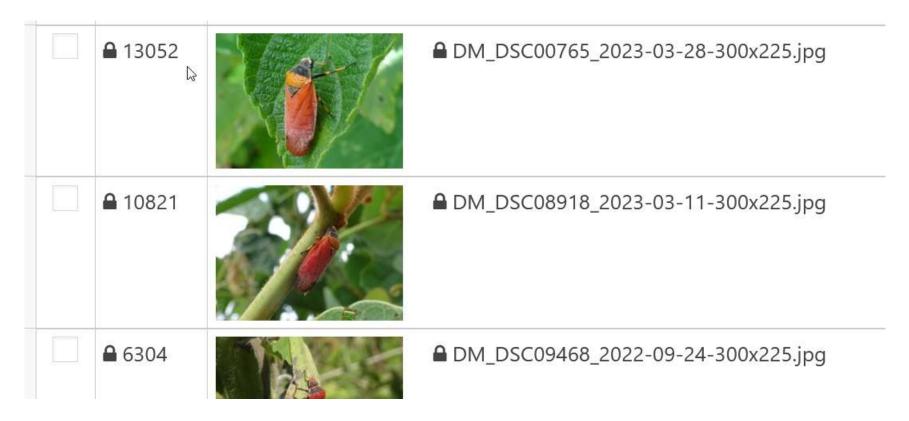


Image Repository

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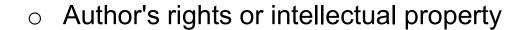


## Image content identification after import from camera



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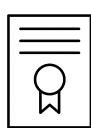
- Legal issues
  - Copyright



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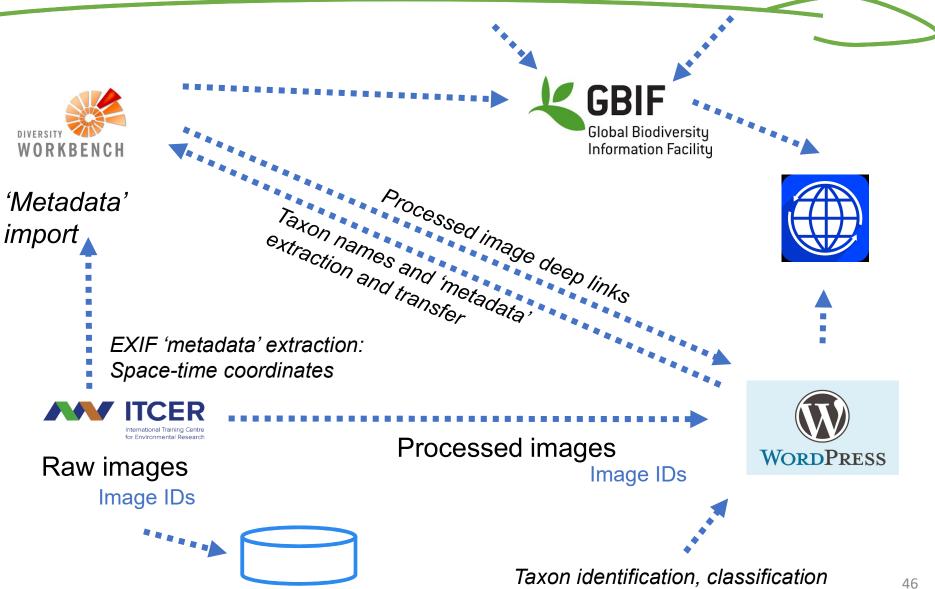


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Macrobiome images
CollectionEvent (CollectionEvent)

