The people behind BUGZ

BUGZ was a collaborative project involving the University of Canterbury (School of Biological Sciences), Landcare Research and uBio.

Project Coordinators



Raphael Didham, Senior Lecturer, (terrestrial ecology), University of Canterbury



Stephen Pawson, Research Fellow, Ensis.

Raphael Didham and Stephen Pawson coordinated the two-year TFBIS project to design and build a full-text searchable interface to the existing *B* ibliography of New Zealand Terrestrial Invertebrates.

Scanning Technicians

Several people have contributed to the scanning and subsequent OCR (optical-character-recognition) process to allow full-text search retrieval. Carl and Katherine deserve special mention as between them they scanned the majority of the BUGZ database.

Carl Wardhaugh: Scanning and image clean-up

Katherine Wilson: Scanning, image clean-up, OCR, and database population

Stephanie Kaefer: Scanning, OCR, image clean-up, database population, and PDF (Portable Document Format) generation

Chris Coleman: Scanning and OCR

Muriele Rabone: Scanning Miriam Hall: Scanning James Aulsford: Scanning

Institutional Support:

Jace Carson: research contract coordinator

Landcare Research, Informatics Team

Jerry Cooper: Science Leader Nick Spencer: Team Leader Mike Cochrane: Programer Mark Fuglestad: Web Developer

uBio: Universal Biological Indexer and Organiser

Patrick Leary was responsible for the integration of uBio name-matching technology with the full-text database of BUGZ.