



# Citizen Science as a research tool

*– with focus on data quality, scientific outputs, data management, seen through ongoing projects*

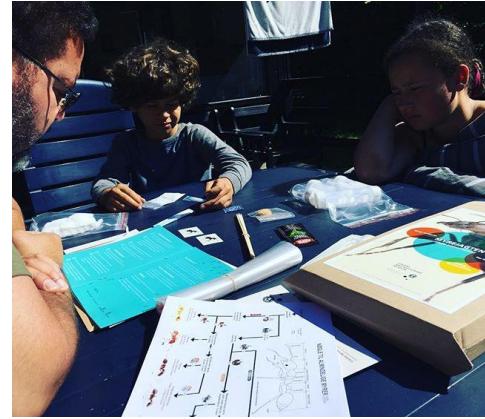
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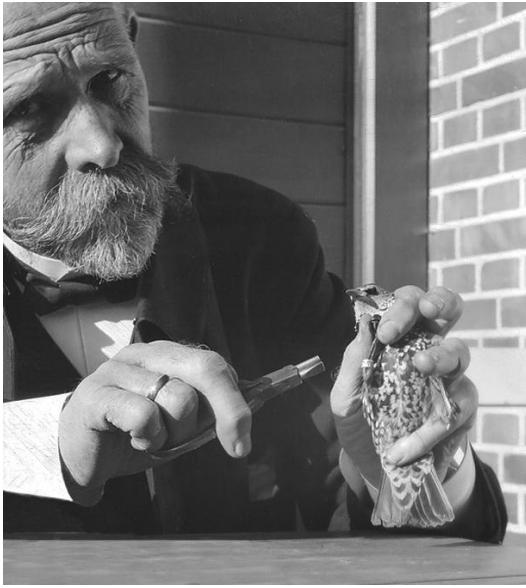
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# Citizen Science – a definition

- Citizen Science is involving non-professionals to participate in all parts of the scientific process to address real-world problems.
- A Citizen scientist is a member of the public engaging in a Citizen Science project.
- Community Science is (more or less) equal to Citizen Science



# Citizen Science – actually an old discipline

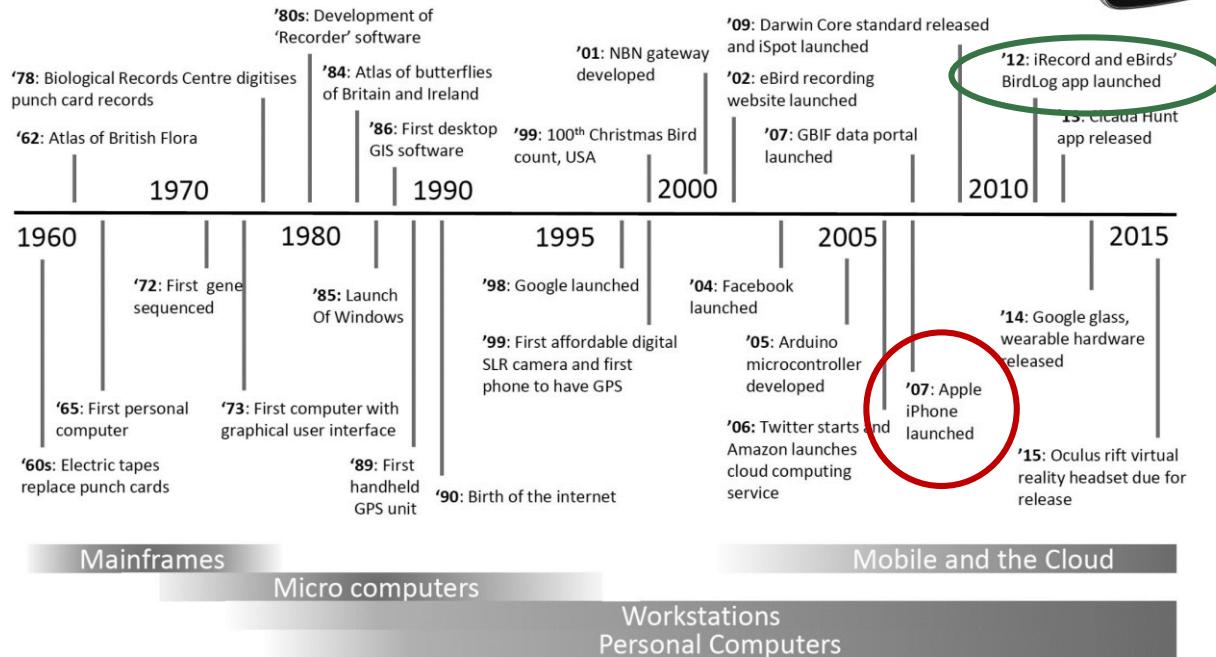


*H. C. C. Mortensen*  
- Danish school teacher  
ringing in **1899**

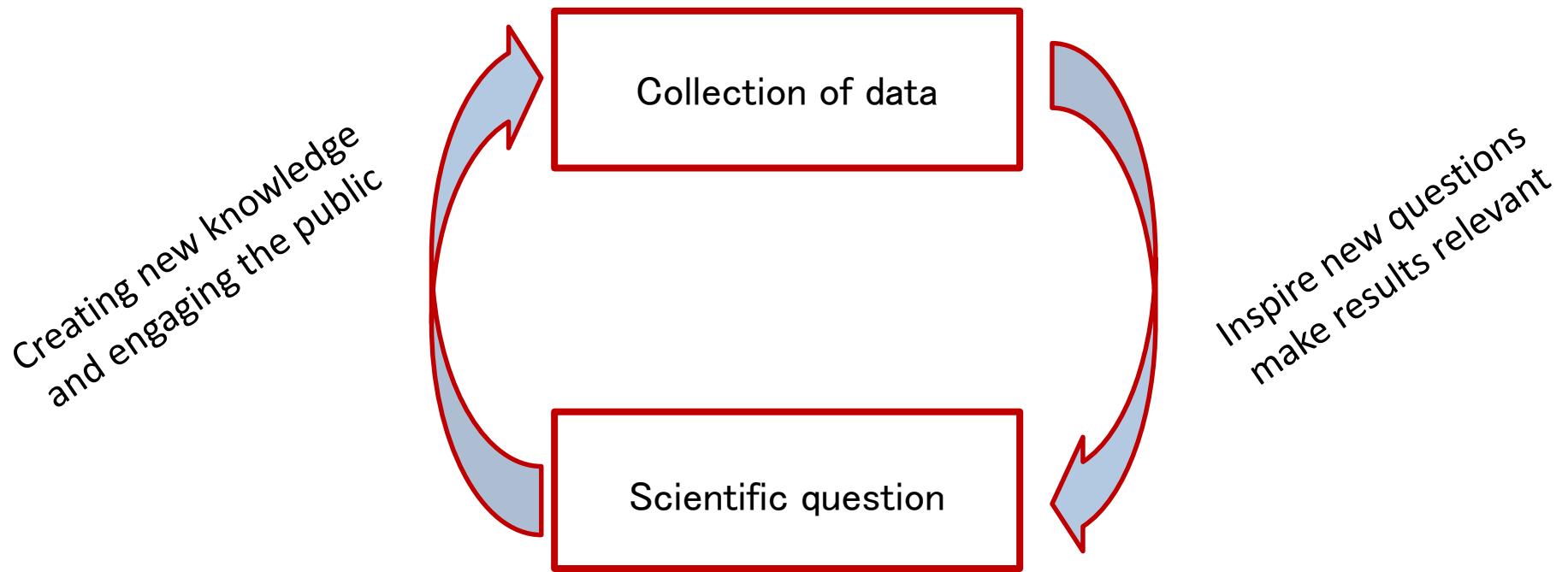


Danish Ringing Scheme  
af SNM -> **2024**

# Technological developments

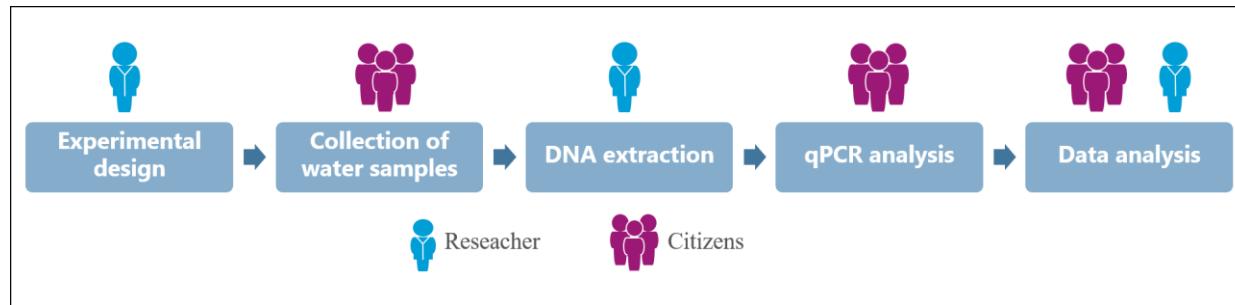


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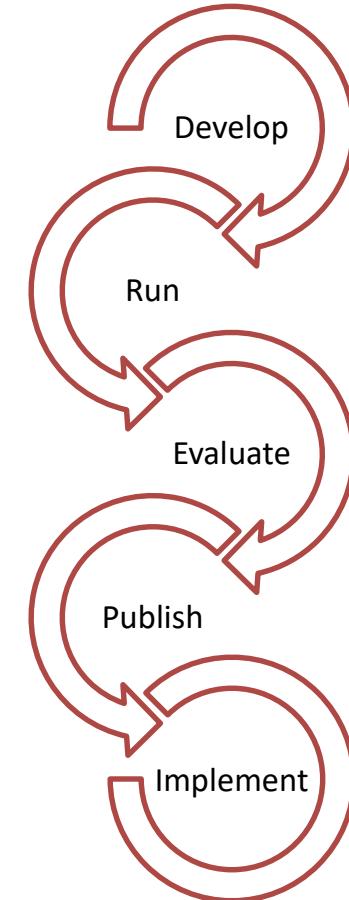


# Citizen Science – *new approaches*

Involving the public in all phases of the scientific process

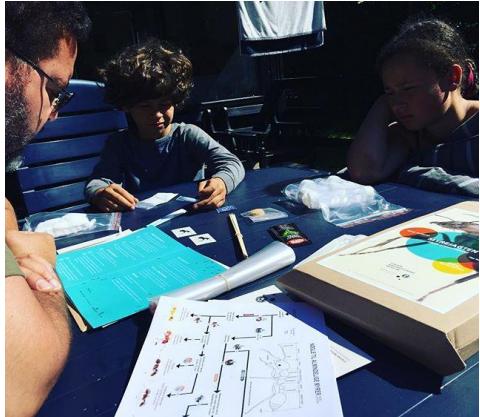


Tøttrup et al. 2021

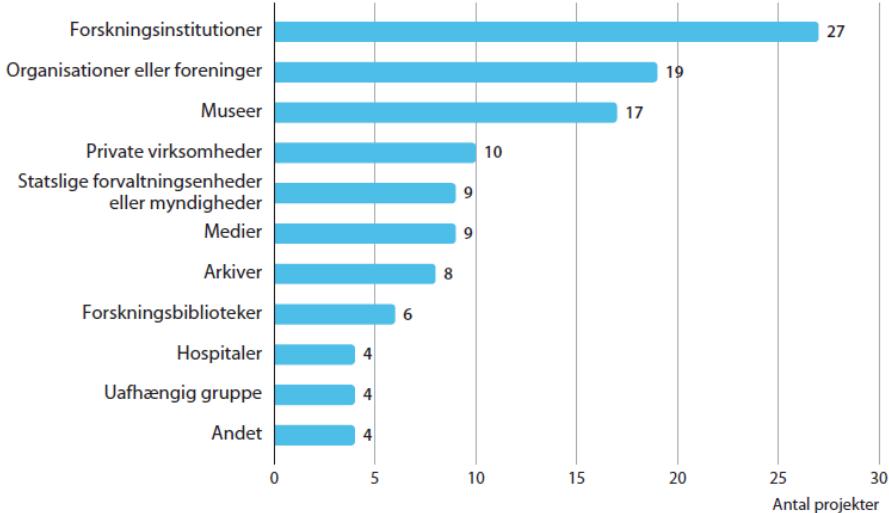
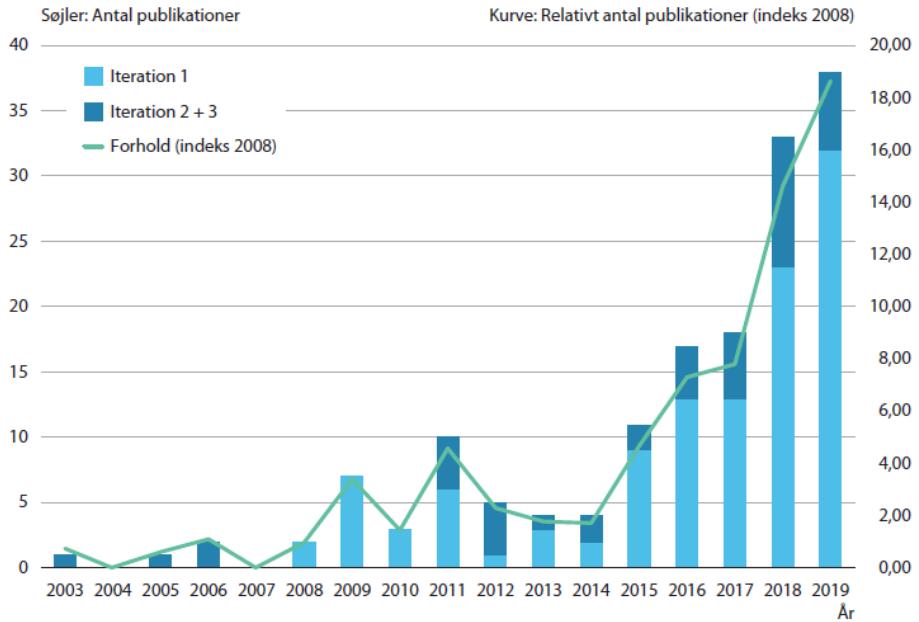


# Citizen Science – as *research method*

- Highly educated, interested and motivated public
- Powerful pocket computers
- Collection at large spatial and temporal data scales
- Entirely new research questions
- Motivate and educate the public
- Project design key

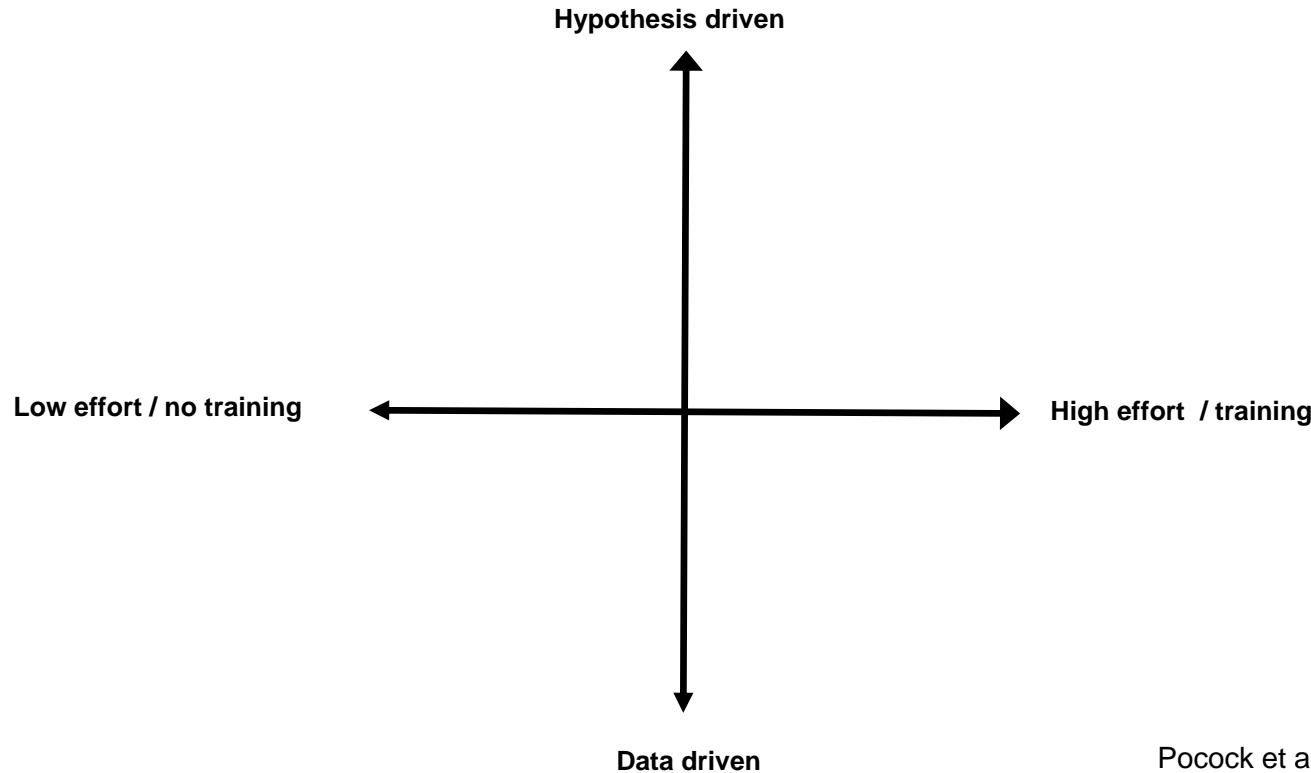


# Citizen Science landscape (Denmark)

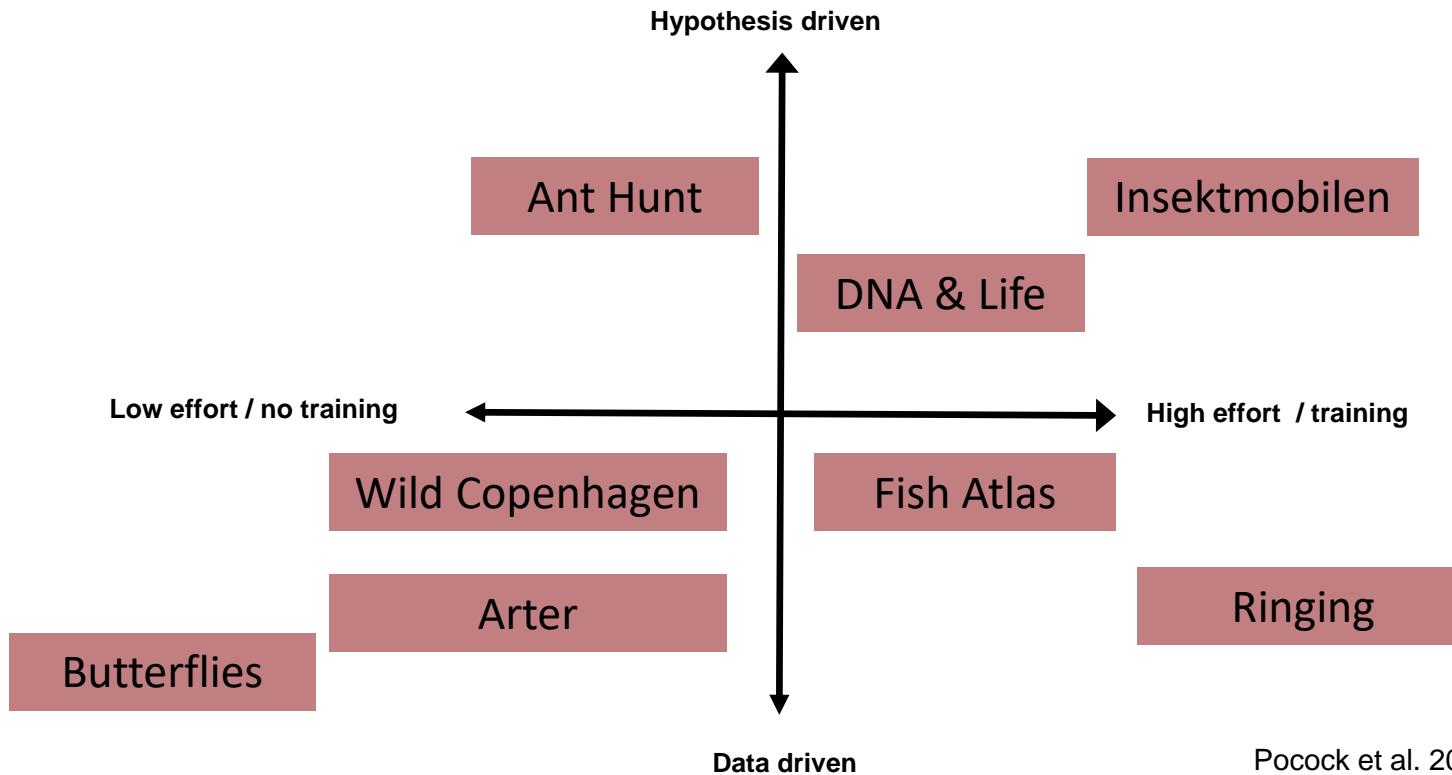


Figur 2. Aktørtyper repræsenteret i danske citizen science-projekter (n=64).

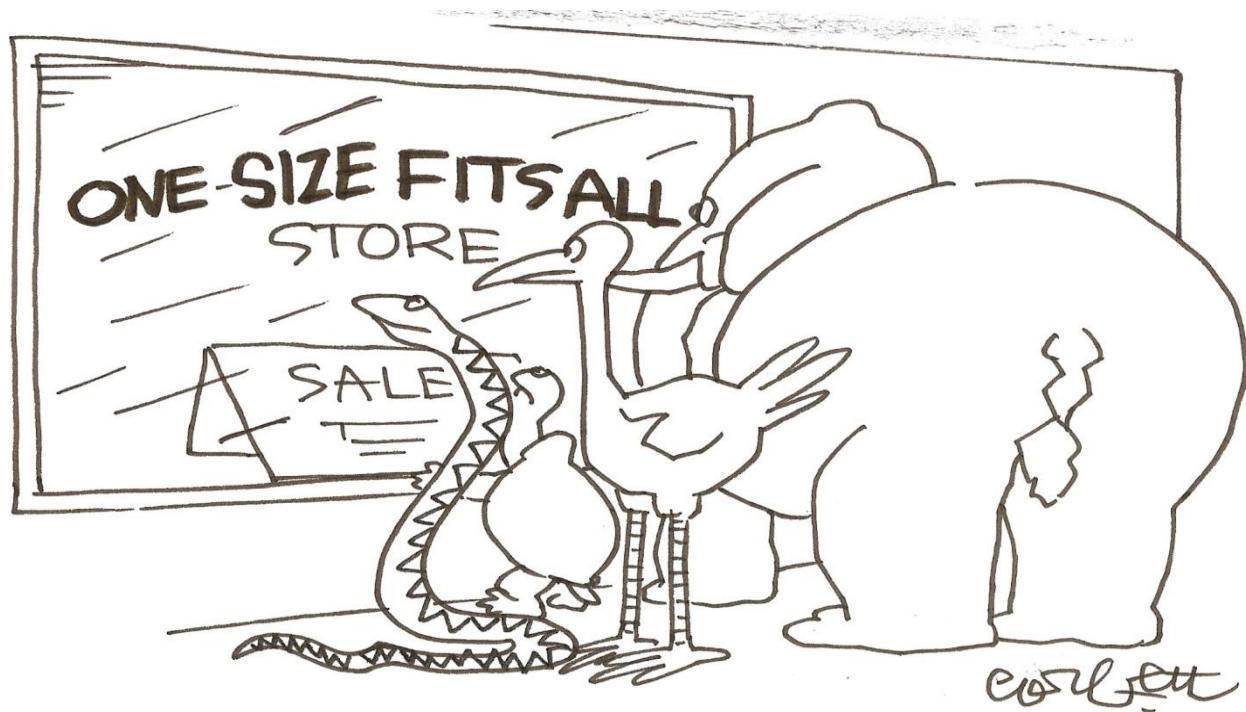
# Citizen Science projects



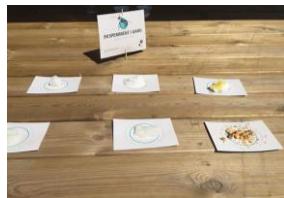
# Citizen Science projects



# Target groups



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Ant Hunt



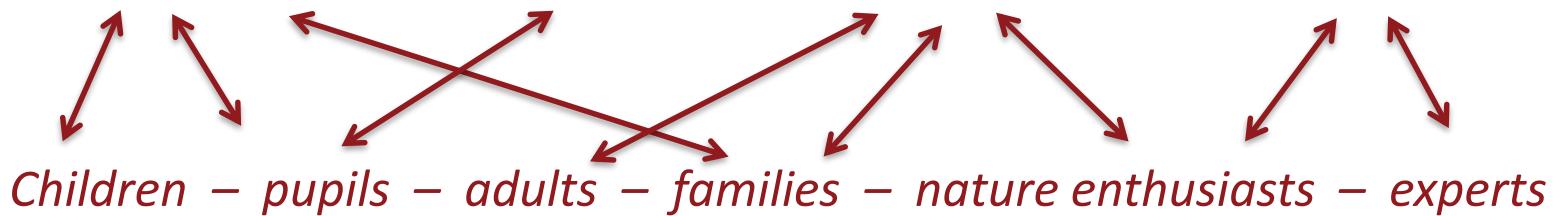
DNA & Life



Insectmobile



Ringing

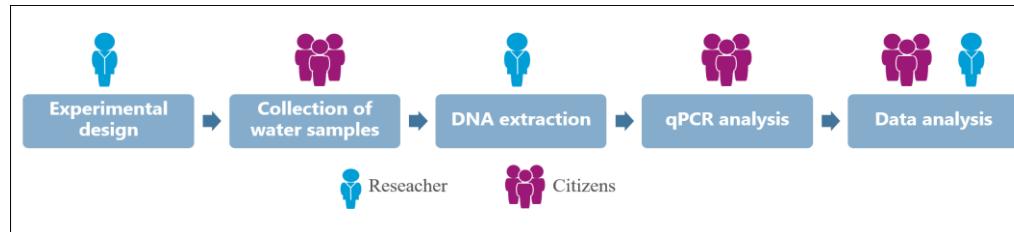


# DNA & Liv

**Aim:** Species occurrence and competition patterns across freshwater gradients in Danish amphibians

Field and lab work.

**Target group:** High school students



Tøttrup et al. 2021, *Citizen Science: Theory and Practice*

## DNA & liv

Lærercitat

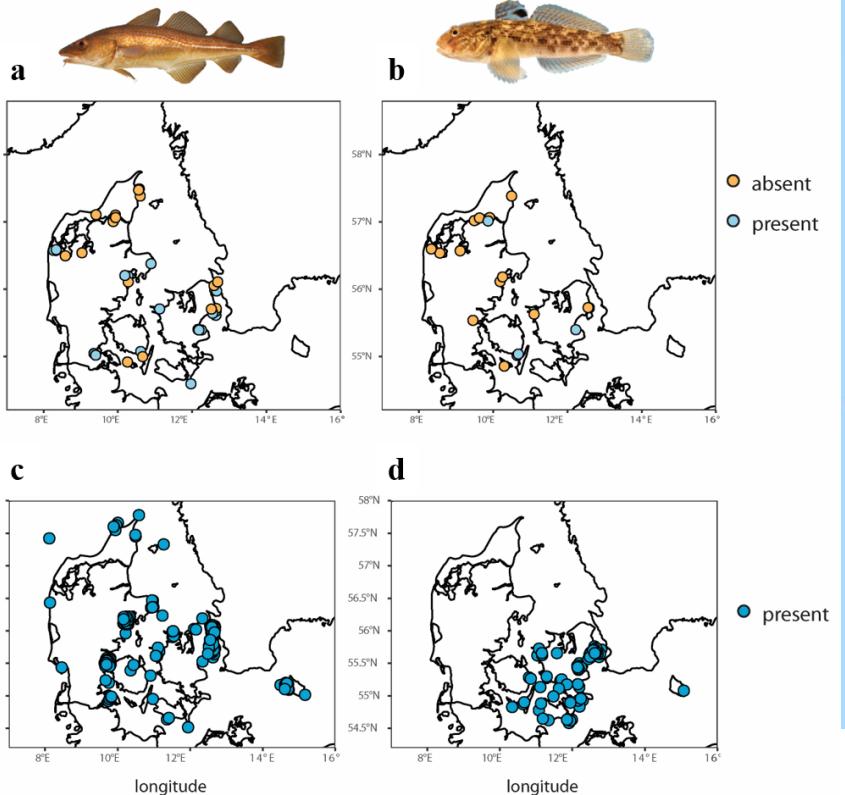
*To ting der gør dette forløb meget attraktivt for vores bioteknologielever er 1) at de får muligheden for at deltage i et **reelt forskningsprojekt** og er med til at analysere og indsamle viden, og 2) at de får muligheden for **selv at arbejde eksperimentelt** med en moderne DNA-teknologi som vi ikke selv har adgang til.*

# DNA & Liv



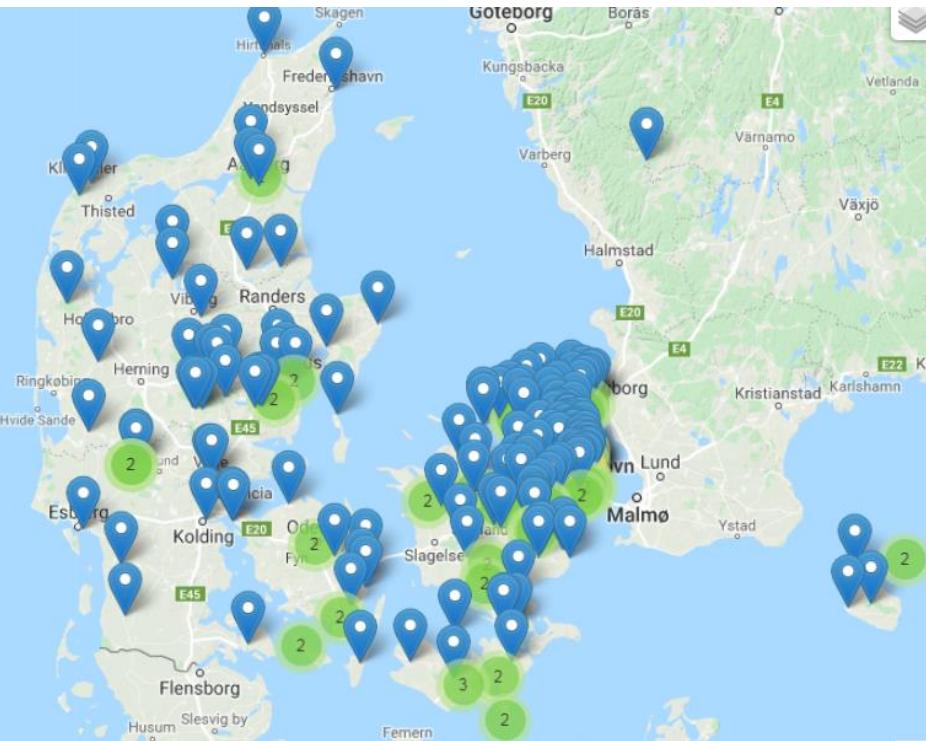
Citizens in the Lab:  
Performance and Validation  
of eDNA Results

High-school students



Fish Atlas

Tøttrup et al. 2021, *Citizen Science: Theory and Practice*



253 lakes | 2014-2018 | 10 of 14 species

# Next Generation Lab

Fortidens materialer  
med fremtidens metoder

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Naturhistoriske  
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# Next Generation Lab

Eleverne arbejder med ægte arkæologiske genstande, som de kulturhistoriske museer ikke selv har ressourcer til at håndtere



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## Project Gallery

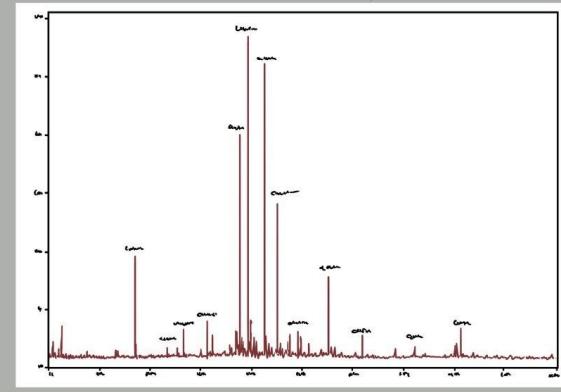
Next Generation Lab puts Denmark's past in the hands of its future

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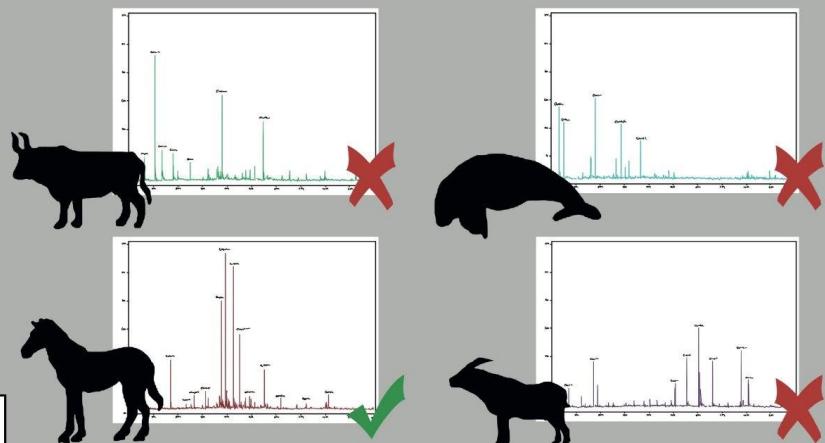
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Comparison with reference database

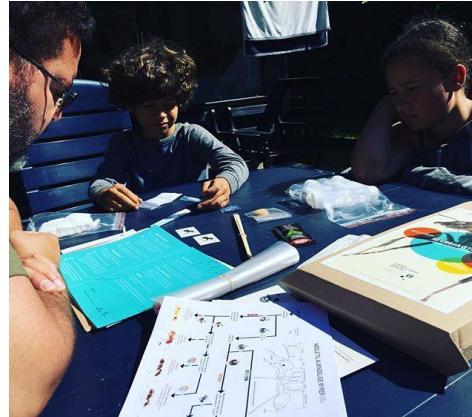


# Ant Hunt

Aim: Mapping distributions, food choice, co-occurrence and dominance patterns across habitats

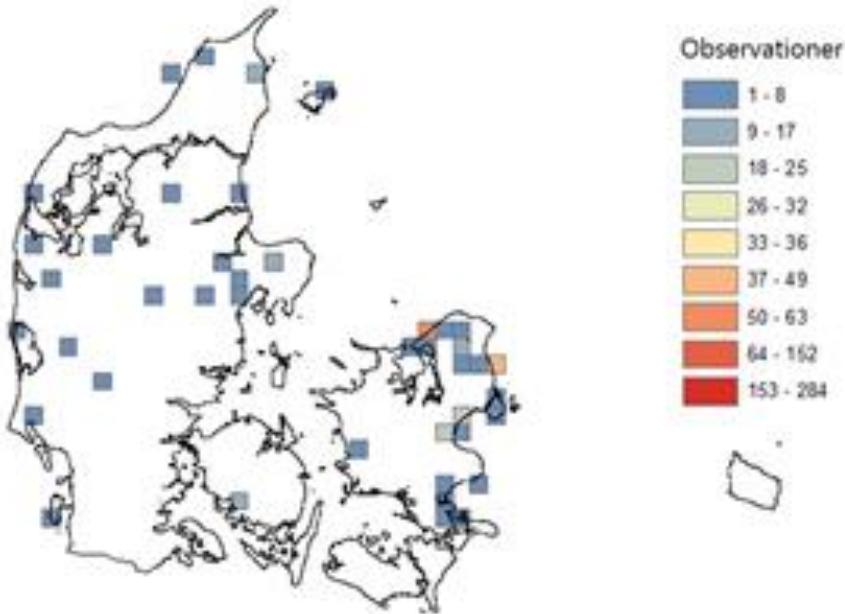
Feeding experiment

Target group: Children and families

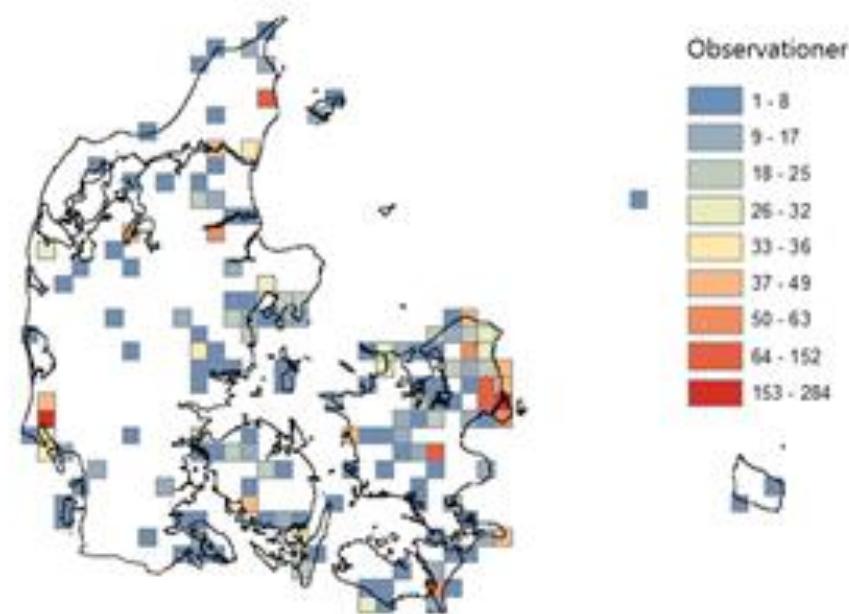


# Ant Hunt

Collection since 2000



Ant Hunt 2017 and 2018



# Ant Hunt

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## Monitoring the influx of new species through citizen science: the first introduced ant in Denmark

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## Testing trade-offs and the dominance–impoverishment rule among ant communities

Julie K. Sheard<sup>1</sup>  | Annika S. Nelson<sup>2,3</sup>  | Jeppe D. Berggreen<sup>1</sup> | Raphael Boulay<sup>4</sup>  |  
Robert R. Dunn<sup>5</sup>  | Nathan J. Sanders<sup>6</sup> 

Population ecology

Long-term trends in the occupancy of ants revealed through use of multi-sourced datasets

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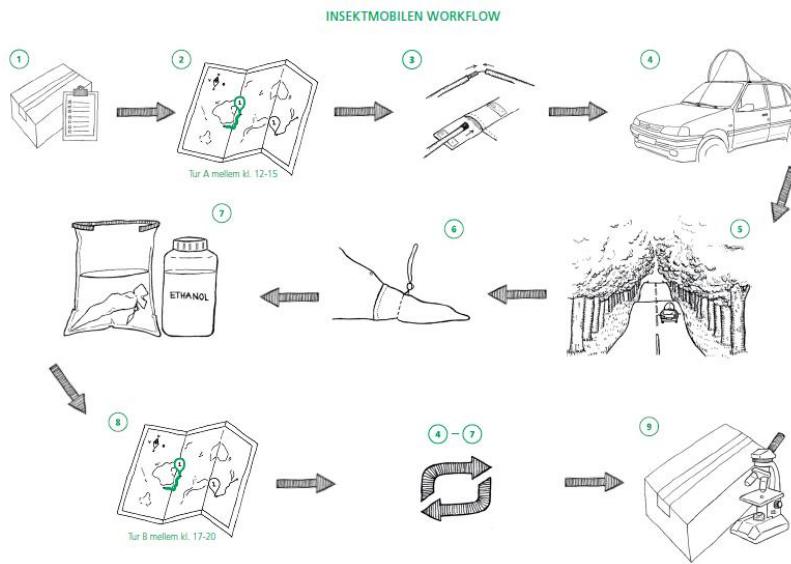
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# Insektmobilen

**Aim:** Mapping the distribution and abundance of insects across Denmark, national food web, effects of nature management



**Target group:** All people interested in nature



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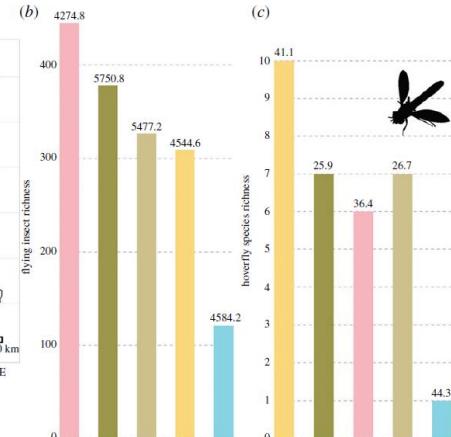
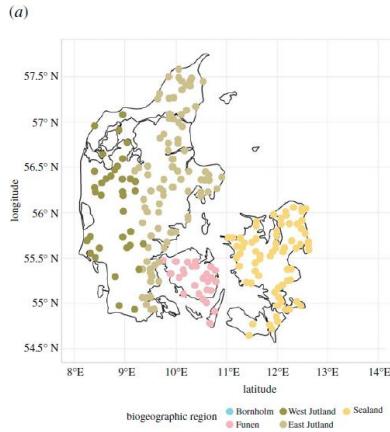
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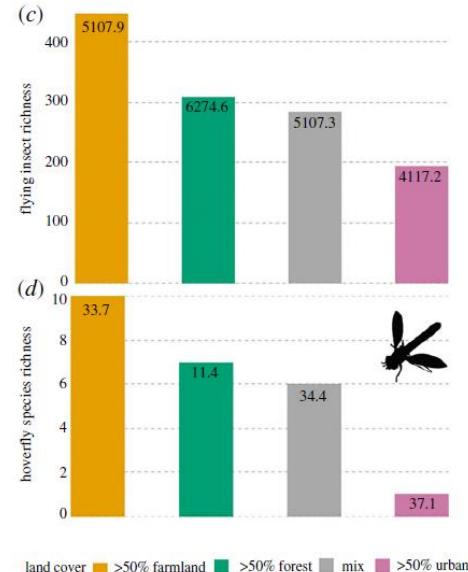
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Detecting flying insects using car nets and DNA



Community ecology

## Detecting flying insects using car nets and DNA metabarcoding

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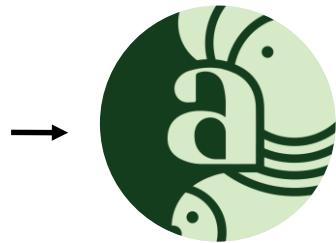
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# Arter er en national artsportal der samler data ét sted til gavn for forskning og forvaltning



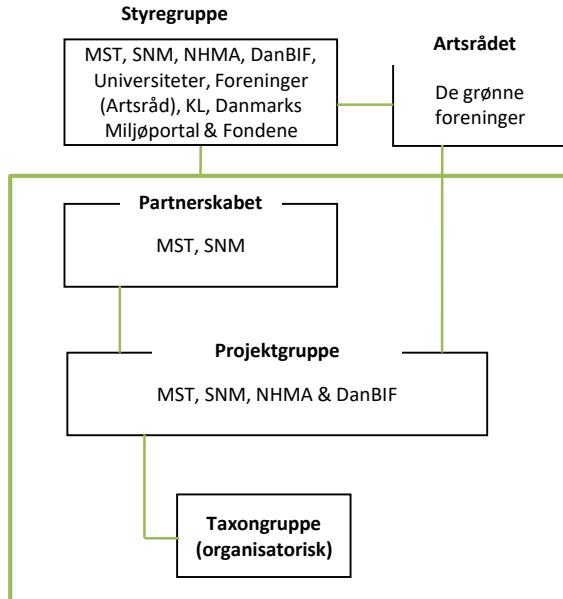
Global Biodiversity  
Information Facility



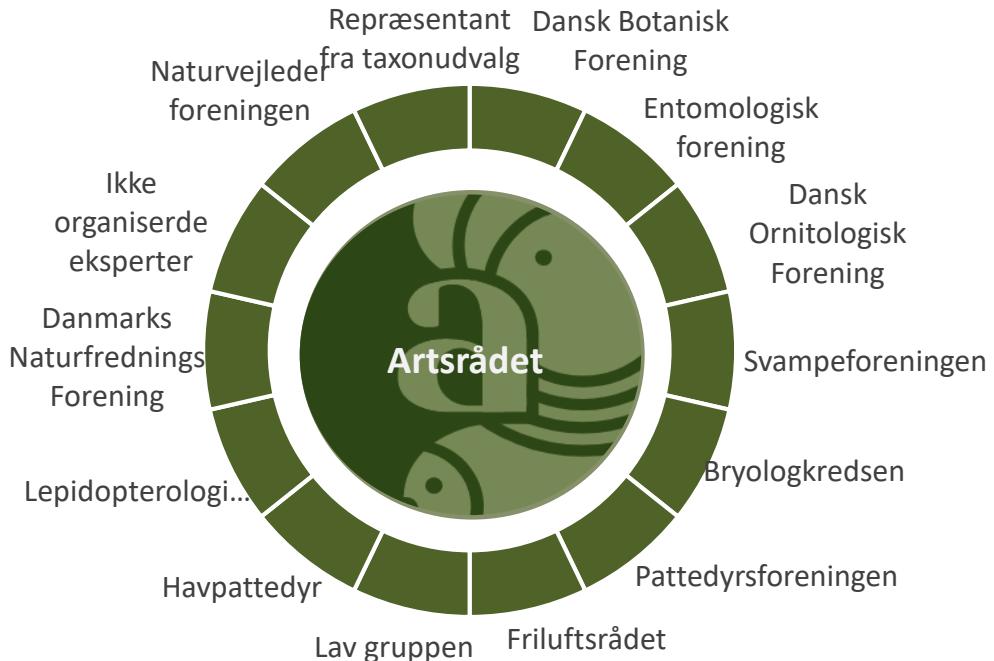
Formålet med Arter er at gøre data om biodiversitet offentligt tilgængeligt og sikre gennemsigtighed i **validering** og **ophav** for data



# Styringsstruktur



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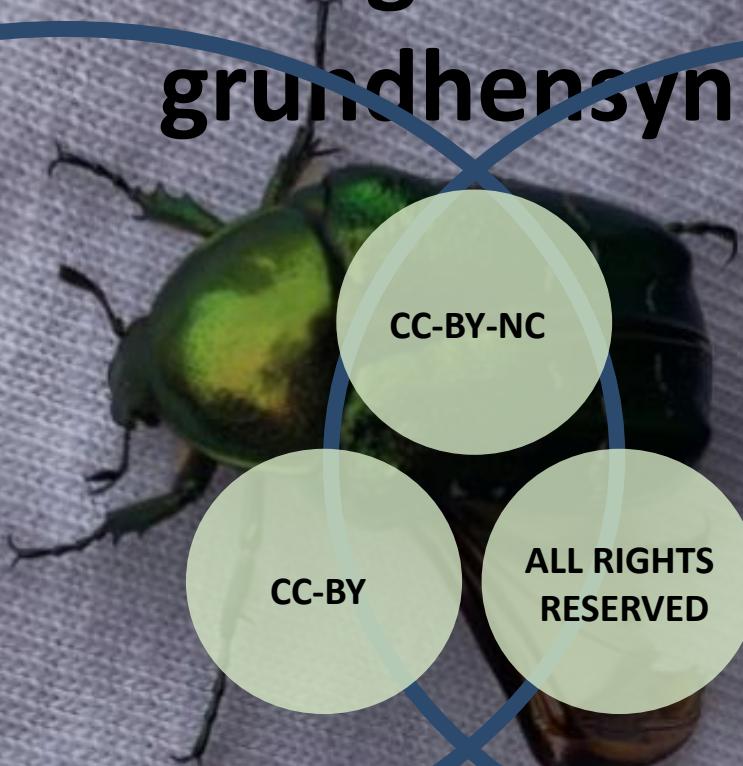


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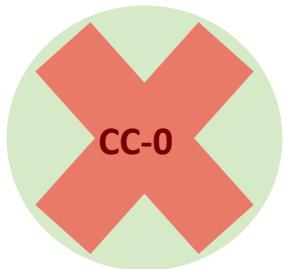
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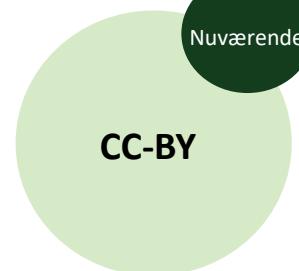


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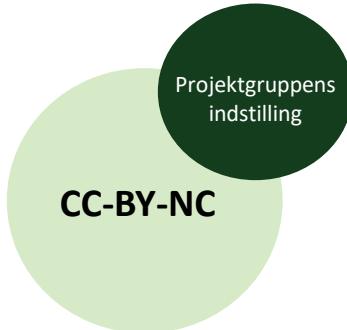
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