

# Using OpenSites

## Preface

I am preparing a series of PDF documents on how to use the two OpenSites, [OpenHerbarium](#) (OH) and [OpenZooMuseum](#) (OZM). They will be illustrated with screenshots from OH because it is better developed than OZM but, because both sites use [Symbiota](#) software, the instructions will work for both.

The documents are open access. You can download them and print them off. You may also translate them into another language, one that is more easily understood by your students or colleagues or use them to create videos. In fact, I would be delighted if any individual or group does so and would be happy to add links to them in this document. It is what Biodiversity Knowledge Sharing is about.

Speaking of reviewing: Please send feedback on the documents to me, particularly about parts that are not clear.

I have no time frame for completing all the PDFs. Please bear in mind that this is, at present, like development of the OpenSites, an unfunded project. Also, Symbiota is extremely powerful software, parts of which I have never, or only occasionally used. I encourage anyone interested to explore its capabilities further, using the project's help pages as a resource (<https://biokic.github.io/symbiota-docs/>).

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