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Short description of the dataset/summary

The title "AMAZON FISH database" is a working title for the Amazonian Freshwater Fish Biodiversity database that was constructed in the framework of the AMAZON FISH (ERANetLAC/DCC-0210) project.

In order to construct the AMAZON FISH database, which aims to become a high quality freshwater fish biodiversity

database covering the entire Amazon drainage basin, data from a wide range of sources were compiled in a central database. The content of this database can be considered as a collection of curated datasets or dataset exports (as the database only covers the Amazon basin, while source datasets may cover larger areas).

These datasets are of different nature and include:

- A. Information extracted from the literature (published articles, books, gray literature).
- B. Data available from museums/collections and universities.
- C. Data held or compiled by project partners (e.g. at country level). Some of these have previously been published through the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF) network, while others will be released in the framework of AMAZON FISH.
- D. Data extracted from online databases such as GBIF, FishNet, SpeciesLink and IABIN.
- E. New data obtained during (a) sampling campaign(s) in the framework of the project.

At this stage (December 2018), the database already provides a comprehensive overview of the fish diversity and distribution in the Amazon basin, with over 305.000 occurrence records from 123 sources (mostly covering B, C & D). After the project formally ends, it will still be updated by including new data from the project partners (C), from literature references (A) and potentially by including data from new sampling campaigns (E) to areas for which we identified a gap in the available data.

Through the integration of these different data sources, the AMAZON FISH database constitutes a unique resource on the Amazon basin, which concentrates the highest freshwater biodiversity on earth. By compiling the knowledge on the spatial distribution of freshwater fishes and addressing the taxonomic and sampling gaps, this database should enable comprehensive analysis and modeling. As such it will answer the essential need for understanding this unique ecosystem that has produced such high freshwater fish diversity.

General information

dataset entry ID:	AF_1
name of the dataset:	
full name of the dataset:	AMAZON FISH database
dataset short name:	AMAZON FISH database
type of dataset:	species distribution data
data type:	point data/observation data
science keywords according to GCMD:	
topic:	Biosphere, Biological Classification
ISO topic category according to ISO 19115:	
	Biota, Environment, Inland Waters
INSPIRE keywords according to GEMET:	
	Species distribution
own science keywords:	freshwater fish, Amazon river drainage, Amazon basin, occurrence database, species distribution
related project:	AMAZON FISH (ERANet-LAC/DCC-0210)
funding:	ERANet-LAC: Network of the European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean Countries on Joint Innovation and Research Activities

Technical and administrative specifications

data format:	others/specify
others/details:	PostgreSQL

operating system:	all operating systems
data language:	English
current access level:	restricted access
currently available through GBIF :	no
exchange planned:	no
data in data repository:	no
Do you plan to publish the data on the Freshwater Biodiversity Data Portal:	yes
update level:	update planned
documentation:	
type:	others/specify
others/details:	Data Management Plan (https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.5150716.v1)
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Intellectual property rights and citation

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year:	2019
doi:	https://doi.org/10.15504/fmj.2019.43
comments:	<p>The AMAZON FISH database integrates a wide range of datasets from different public and project partners sources, and results from a three years international team effort.</p> <p>The entire, curated database at the sub-basins scale (modified HydroBASINS dataset) will be documented and released in a data paper that should be submitted during the year 2019. All occurrence records (point scale data) for which we obtained permission for public release will be made available through the AMAZON FISH data online repository or through the Freshwater Biodiversity Portal (http://data.freshwaterbiodiversity.eu/; which is a member of the Freshwater Information Platform). The release of the occurrence records will be effective three years after the official publication of the data paper, a timeframe considered sufficient to publish the analyses suggested in the initial AMAZON FISH project. During this embargo period, site scale data may be available on request pending agreement of all partners and with authorship negotiation possible.</p> <p>The sub-basins scale data paper will include an extensive database description along with a discussion on the database content, gap analysis and database statistics, in parallel with the on-line release of the database at the sub-basins scale.</p> <p>In addition to the publication of the datasets and database itself, key maps produced during the AMAZON FISH project will be disseminated through the Global Freshwater Biodiversity Atlas (http://atlas.freshwaterbiodiversity.eu/) following the publication of scientific paper(s) describing those results.</p>

General data specifications

regional coverage of the dataset:

spatial extent of the dataset:	catchment
continents:	South America

spatial extent (bounding coordinates):

southernmost latitude [°]:	-25
northernmost latitude [°]:	5
westernmost longitude [°]:	-85
easternmost longitude [°]:	-45
minimum altitude:	0 metres
maximum altitude:	6200 metres
countries:	South America: Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Venezuela

world climatic regions according to [Köppen](#):

Group A: tropical/megathermal climates

freshwater ecoregions of the world (FEOW) according to [WWF](#):

South America: Amazonas Estuary & Coastal Drainages, Amazonas Guiana Shield, Amazonas High Andes, Amazonas Lowlands, Guapore - Itenez, Madeira

ecosystem type: Brazilian Shield, Mamore - Madre de Dios Piedmont, Rio Negro, Tapajos - Juruena, Ucayali - Urubamba Piedmont, Western Amazon Piedmont, Xingu rivers, wetlands
covered timeframe: 1865 - 2017

Site specifications

coordinate system/grid data: latitude/longitude, format: DD projected, others others: WGS84
datum (e.g. WGS84): WGS84
grid data available: no
number of sites: >1000
exact number of sites: 22000

Biological data

biological data origin: from sampling,
AMAZON FISH project ERANetLAC/DCC-0210
comments: Timeframe of the sampled sites: 1865 to 2017.
organism group addressed: fish

Sample resolution

fish:

taxonomic resolution:

level: species
percentage of species level data: 100

taxonomic coding:

taxalist according to: FishBase & California Academy of Sciences-Catalogue of Fishes
reference(s): Fricke, R., Eschmeyer, W. & Van der Laan, R. (2018). Catalog of Fishes: Genera, Species, References.
<http://researcharchive.calacademy.org/research/ichthyology/catalog/fishcatmain.asp>
Froese, R. & Pauly, D. (2018). FishBase. World Wide Web electronic publication. www.fishbase.org

sample specifications:

Other specifications

GIS layers, shape files related to the dataset:

others/details: catchments, river-sub-basins
Modified version of HydroBASINS.

availability of photos: no

availability of maps: no

quality control procedures:

Were any quality control procedures applied to your dataset?
yes

quality control protocols and comments:

To avoid any duplication when integrating data from different sources, all

duplicates are identified and excluded during import by either verifying unique identifiers for occurrences (or fields that should constitute unique identifiers when considered together; e.g. institute + collection + collection number) or based on sampling details in combination with the geographical coordinates of the data.

Where available, details on provenance, citation, along with a modification/"last updated" timestamp (e.g. only available for GBIF and SpeciesLink) are systematically documented for the retained records.

In addition, during import, each record is systematically checked for reliability and consistency, using the FishBase Consortium database, and the California Academy of Science's Catalog of Fishes, as nomenclature authority files. During the process of building the database, a taxonomic checklist work is achieved to validate all species actually present in the Amazon drainage basin. This important work is done in collaboration with taxonomic experts covering all groups and will be made publicly available through a checklist publication.

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