

Protection of the Natural History Museum Collections Some Valuable Methods

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Abstract: *The key to long term preventive conservation in natural history collections is control of the collection environment. The benefits of an efficiently managed and well controlled environment include not only protection for the collection but better working conditions for the museum staff. A strategic approach to environmental management will ensure that the problems are understood and priorities assessed, so that the best possible use can be made of the resources available. A simple approach to environmental management is to consider the various agents of deterioration like pests, fire, incorrect temperature and humidity. The direct control of these environmental agents may be achieved at the following level: locality, site, building etc.*

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