

Data Curation in Biology – Past, Present and Future

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Data curation has been critical in the development of biology from Darwin and Linnaeus to UniProt, the careful collection and organisation of data has been the spring from which new hypotheses and understanding have emerged. In this presentation, I will describe how we have used data curation in my own research group - and also present an overview of curation at the EBI. With new technical developments and the move towards the semantic web, the role of curation in the future needs to develop to take advantage of these new opportunities. This will be discussed.