

Antipodean contributions to the dissemination of entomological information.

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Australia and New Zealand have for several years been punching above their weight in developing effective methods of disseminating information about insects. The tyranny of distance - our low population and lack of extensive libraries - have probably stimulated this. Electronic resources such as LucID, Zootaxa, PaDIL, the ABRIS faunal web site, and the TRIN initiative are major elements in the revolution in how we communicate about our science. This introductory talk to the symposium will explore where we have come from, and consider where we might be going - emphasising the importance of retaining scholarship in scientific communication rather than the currently popular but undisciplined social networks.

