

The Sloane Lab Data Environment

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BRITISH LIBRARY

Bound Volumes

Sloane Manuscript Catalogues	Imaged	Machine Readable	Text Encoded	Digital Location	Physical Location
Sloane MS 3995: 'A catalogue of...					
Sloane MS 3972 A: Catalogue of...					
Sloane MS 3972 B: Manuscripts	B/W JPEG	3pl keyed	TEI		
Sloane MS 3972 C: Books, etc.	B/W JPEG				
Sloane MS 3972 C II: Books etc.	B/W JPEG				
Sloane MS 3972 C III: Books etc.	B/W JPEG				
Sloane MS 3972 C IV: Books etc.	B/W JPEG				
Sloane MS 3972 C V: Books etc.	B/W JPEG	3pl keyed	TEI		
Sloane MS 3972 C VI: Books etc.	B/W JPEG				
Sloane MS 3972 C VII: Books etc.	B/W JPEG				
Sloane MS 3972 C VIII: Catalogue	B/W JPEG				
Sloane MS 3972 D: Index to MS	B/W JPEG				
Sloane MS 3972 D II: Index to MS	B/W JPEG				
Lindens renovates (Medical) I					
Lindens renovates (Medical) II					
Lindens renovates (Medical) III					
Lindens renovates (Medical) IV					
Lindens renovates (Medical) V					
Lindens renovates (Medical) VI					
Lindens renovates (Medical) VII					
Lindens renovates (Medical) VIII					

Group of Objects

Collected Manuscripts	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
SL MSS 1-4100 (Manuscripts)	✓			
Books & Manuscripts collected by Sloane				
Printed Books	✓			
Sloane Renaissance Manuscript	✓	✓	https://se	
Other Books & Manuscripts coll.	✓			
Other Catalogues				
Printed Books Catalogue	✓	✓	https://wv	
Sloane Correspondence				
Sloane Letters MSS 4036-4069	✓			
Sloane Letters MSS 4075-4078	✓			

See "Sloane Letters" component

ROYAL SOCIETY

Bound Volumes

Draft Minutes Manuscripts	Imaged	Machine Readable	Digital Location	Physical Location
Meetings of the Royal Society, 1686-1691	JPEG	3pl keyed	https://rls	Royal Soc.
Meetings of the Royal Society, 1693-1698	JPEG	3pl keyed	https://rls	Royal Soc.
Meetings of the Royal Society, 1699-1702	JPEG	3pl keyed	https://rls	Royal Soc.
Meetings of the Royal Society, 1702-1707	JPEG	3pl keyed	https://rls	Royal Soc.
Meetings of the Royal Society, 1707-1711	JPEG	3pl keyed	https://rls	Royal Soc.

Sloane Letters

Origin	Digitised Letters written to and from Sloane	Metadata Schema	Digital Location	Prog./file Access
British Library → Sloane Letters MSS 4036-4069	5,320 Searchable Letters MSS 4036-4053 and 4075, as well as several letters from each of the following Sloane MSS 4054-4055, 4066, 4068-4069 and 4076		https://sls	
British Library → Sloane Letters MSS 4075-4078			https://sls	

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

Bound Volumes

Sloane Manuscript Catalogues	Imaged	Machine Readable	Text Encoded	Digital Location	Physical Location
Fossils vol 1: Corals, Sponges & Fossils vol 2: Shells 1-2502	JPEG	3pl keyed	TEI		NHM
Fossils vol 3: Shells 2503-4911					NHM
Fossils vol 4: Shells 4912-5846					NHM
Fossils vol 5: Fishes, Birds, etc.	JPEG	3pl keyed	TEI		NHM
Fossils vol 6: Indices Variorum					NHM
Insects vol 1: Insects 1-2306					NHM
Insects vol 2: Insects 2307-5447					NHM
Minerals vol 1: Precious stones 1-1000					NHM
Minerals vol 2: Metals 1407-2727					NHM
Minerals vol 3: Ambers					NHM
Minerals vol 3b: Crystals 488-500					NHM
Minerals vol 4: Indices variorum					NHM
Echinoderms: Echini marini					NHM
Scapellato					NHM
Catalogus marmorum: Minerar.					NHM
Vegetables and Vegetable Substances 1-3000	JPEG			NHM Data Portal	NHM
Vegetables and Vegetable Substances 3001-6000	JPEG			NHM Data Portal	NHM
Vegetables and Vegetable Substances 6001-12133	JPEG			NHM Data Portal	NHM
Index to Vegetables and Vegetable Substances					NHM
Collection Guides - Print					
John Ray, Historia Plantarum Vol I	Imaged	Machine Readable			
John Ray, Historia Plantarum Vol II	JPEG				NHM
John Ray, Historia Plantarum Vol III	JPEG				NHM
T.E. Dandy, The Sloane herbarium: an annotated list of the Horti sicci	PDF			NHM Data Portal	NHM
A catalogue and historical account of the Sloane Shell	PDF	OCR		NHM Data Portal	NHM
V. Pickering, Putting nature in a box - Hans Sloane's Vegetable	PDF	DOOCX		NHM Data Portal	NHM
Algae, Fungi and Plants: 265 Sloane Herbarium volumes	Imaged	Physical Location			NHM
Other (252 volumes)	X	NHM			NHM
Sloane's Jamaican material (8 vols)	✓	NHM			NHM
Mark Cateby material (2 vols)	✓	NHM			NHM
Engelbert Kaempfer material (1 vol)	✓	NHM			NHM
John Bartram material (2 vols)	X	NHM			NHM
Insects	Physical Location				NHM
Plukenet bound volume	NHM				NHM
Petiver insect collection	NHM				NHM

Group of Objects

Algae, Fungi and Plants	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
Vegetable Substances	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Algae, Fungi and Plants: 121,464 Sloane Herbarium specimens	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
Other (119,072 specimens)	✓	No	Available soon	NHM
Sloane's Jamaican material (1907 spec)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Mark Cateby material (536 specimens)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Engelbert Kaempfer material (190 spec)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
John Bartram material (179 specimens)	✓	No	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Insects	Physical Location			NHM
Sloane specimens (in boxes on shelf)	NHM			NHM
Invertebrates	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
Molluscs (421)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Palaeontology	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
Fossils (107)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Mineralogy	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
Mineral specimens (278)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Vertebrates	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
Fish (1)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Herps (2)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Mammals (4)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM
Birds (2)	✓	✓	NHM Data Portal	NHM

The British Museum

Bound Volumes

Sloane Manuscript Catalogues	Imaged	Machine Readable	Text Encoded	Digital Location	Physical Location
Gems, Cameos, Annals	JPEG	3pl keyed	TEI		BM
Indices variorum					BM
Amuletta Mathematica: 1-24 and Miscellanea: Miscellanies 1-2111	JPEG	3pl keyed	TEI		BM
	JPEG	3pl keyed	TEI		BM

Group of Objects (Organised by department)

Prints & Drawings	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
11,463 objects	✓	10,420 records with at least 1 JPEG image	BM website	BM
Britain, Europe & Prehistory	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
785 objects	✓	555 records with at least 1 JPEG image	BM website	BM
Greece & Rome	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
438 objects	✓	334 records with at least 1 JPEG image	BM website	BM
Middle East	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
262 objects	✓	252 records with at least 1 image	BM website	BM
Asia	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
202 objects	✓	165 records with at least 1 image	BM website	BM
Coins & Medals	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
113 objects	✓	33 records with at least 1 JPEG image	BM website	BM
Africa, Oceania and Americas	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
97 objects	✓	55 records with at least 1 JPEG image	BM website	BM
Egypt & Sudan	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
55 objects	✓	31 records with at least 1 JPEG image	BM website	BM

Adam Matthew

Group of Objects

Collected Manuscripts	Catalogued	Photos	Digital Location	Physical Location
94 commonplace books collected by Sloane	✓		https://wv	

Colour index

Blue	Digital - Available digitally and available publicly
Light Blue	Digital - In the process of becoming available
Yellow	Tangible artefact
Red	Permanently destroyed

Enlightenment Architectures

Origin	Sloane Manuscript Catalogues	Metadata Schema	Digital Location	Prog./file Access	Interactive Reader
British Library → Sloane MS 3972 C VI	Digital edition of MS 3972C Vol VI, Sloane's catalogue of books and printed ephemera	TEI conf/rls	https://rls		https://rls
British Library → Sloane MS 3972 B	Digital edition of Sloane MS 3972B of folios listing manuscript material removed from 3972C	TEI conf/rls	https://rls		https://rls
British Museum → Miscellanea vols	Digital edition of Sir Hans Sloane's Catalogues of Miscellanies, Antiquities, Seals, Pictures, Mathematical Instruments, Agate Manuscript Catalogues - Fully Digitised (TEI)	TEI conf/rls	https://rls		https://rls
Natural History Museum → Fossils vol 1	Digital edition of Sir Hans Sloane's Catalogue of Fossils including Fishes, Birds, Eggs, Quadrupeds, Mollusks, etc.	TEI conf/rls	https://rls		https://rls
Natural History Museum → Fossils vol 5		TEI conf/rls	https://rls		https://rls

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Sloane's Manuscript Catalogues Today

Status: 48 surviving 11 presumed destroyed

The Sloane Lab adopts a different method of counting catalogues in comparison to Peter Murray Jones, 'Preliminary Check-List of Sloane's Catalogues', *BLJ*, 1988, vol 14, no. 1, pp. 38-51 (Available at: jstor.org/stable/42554036) and MacGregor Sloane 1994, pp. 291-4. Concordance to Jones's/MacGregor's lists is provided below.

Jones/ MacGregor Mapping		Imaged	Machine Readable	Text Encoded
Natural History Museum (23 vols)				
21	Fossils vol 1: Corals, Sponges &	JPEG ¹	3pl keyed ¹	TEI ¹
22	Fossils vol 2: Shells 1-2502			
23	Fossils vol 3: Shells 2503-4911			
24	Fossils vol 4: Shells 4912-5846			
25	Fossils vol 5: Fishes, Birds,	JPEG ²	3pl keyed ²	TEI ²
26	Fossils vol 6: Indices Variorum			
13	Insects vol 1: Insects 1-2506			
14	Insects vol 2: Insects 2507-5447			
15	Minerals vol 1: Pretious stones 1-			
16	Minerals vol 2: Metals 1407-2727			
17	Minerals vol 3a: Ambers,			
18	Minerals vol 3b: Chrystalls 488-			
19	Minerals vol 4: Indices variorum			
27	Echinoderms: Echini marini			
	Supplement			
20	Catalogus marmorum: Mineræ,			
7	Vegetables and Vegetable	JPEG		
8	Vegetables and Vegetable	JPEG		
9	Vegetables and Vegetable	JPEG		
10	Index to Vegetables and Vegetable			
11	John Ray, <i>Historia Plantarum</i> Vol I	JPEG		
11	John Ray, <i>Historia Plantarum</i> Vol	JPEG		
11	John Ray, <i>Historia Plantarum</i> Vol	JPEG		
British Library (21 volumes)				
29	Sloane MS 3995: 'A catalogue of			
30	Sloane MS 3972 A: Catalogue of			
30	Sloane MS 3972 B: Manuscripts	B/W JPEG ⁴	3pl keyed ⁴	TEI ⁴
30	Sloane MS 3972 C I: Books, etc.	B/W JPEG		
30	Sloane MS 3972 C II: Books etc.	B/W JPEG		
30	Sloane MS 3972 C III: Books etc.	B/W JPEG		
30	Sloane MS 3972 C IV: Books etc.	B/W JPEG		
30	Sloane MS 3972 C V: Books etc.	B/W JPEG ⁵	3pl keyed ⁵	TEI ⁵
30	Sloane MS 3972 C VI: Books etc.	B/W JPEG		
30	Sloane MS 3972 C VII: Books etc.	B/W JPEG		
30	Sloane MS 3972 C VIII: Catalogue	B/W JPEG		
30	Sloane MS 3972 D I: Index to MS	B/W JPEG		
30	Sloane MS 3972 D II: Index to MS	B/W JPEG		
31	Lindenus renovates (Medical) I:			
31	Lindenus renovates (Medical) II			
31	Lindenus renovates (Medical) III			
31	Lindenus renovates (Medical) IV			
31	Lindenus renovates (Medical) V			
31	Lindenus renovates (Medical) VI			
31	Lindenus renovates (Medical) VII			
31	Lindenus renovates (Medical) VIII			
British Museum (4 vols)				
2	Gems, Cameos, Annuli		3pl keyed?	
3	Indices variorum		3pl keyed?	
6	Amuleta Mahumetica: 1-24 and			
28	Miscellanea: Miscellanies 1-2111;	JPEG	3pl keyed	TEI ⁹
Presumed Destroyed (11 vols)				
Coins vol 1 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 2 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 3 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 4 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 5 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 6 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 7 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 8 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 9 (presumed destroyed)				
Coins vol 10 (presumed destroyed)				
Medals (presumed destroyed at				

Footnotes

- Also available in Enlightenment Architectures as "Digital edition of Sir Hans Sloane's Catalogue of Fossils including Coralls, Serpents, Echini, Crustacea, Starrfishes, Humana [Volume I]"
- Also available in Enlightenment Architectures as "Digital edition of Sir Hans Sloane's Catalogue of Fossils including Fishes, Birds, Eggs, Quadrupeds [Volume V]"
- Available in Sloane Letters as "9,320 Searchable Letters"
- Also available in Enlightenment Architectures as "Digital edition of Sloane MS 3972B of folios listing manuscript material removed from 3972C"
- Also available in Enlightenment Architectures as "Digital edition of MS 3972C Vol VI, Sloane's catalogue of books and printed ephemera"
- Also available in Enlightenment Architectures as "Digital edition of Sir Hans Sloane's Catalogues of Miscellanies, Antiquities, Seals, Pictures, Mathematical Instruments, Agate Handles, Agate Cups, Bottles, Spoons"
- Also available in British Library as "Sloane MS 3972 C VI"
- Also available in British Library as "Sloane MS 3972 B"
- Also available in British Museum as "Miscellanies vol"
- Also available in Natural History Museum as Fossils vol 1
- Also available in Natural History Museum as Fossils vol 5
- Available in British Library as "Sloane Correspondence"
- Some of those collected manuscripts (94 Commemorative books collected by Sloane) are available (fully scanned and machine-readable) in Adam Matthews database "Early Modern Life: Society, Culture and Everyday life 1500-1700"
- Part of British Library's "SL MSS 1-4100 [Manuscripts collected by Sloane]"