Using ZIMS in Unconventional Ways: Tracking Bioartifacts within the Institution

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Tracking a complete preserved body

Disposition Death-Carcass Disposition
Choose “Convert to Sample”
View/Manage Carcass- enter Recipient
Allows entering of other ID
Future tracking
(Request submitted for ZIMS Export from this field)

Move whole carcass to Enclosure
Create main enclosure “Bioartifact”
Create sub-enclosure for each outside recipient (ex. SKULLS Unlimited)
Use in-house enclosure for local location
Allows export to spreadsheet of complete list for each location

Enter a Carcass Note in Animals record with keyword for location
Example keyword: SKULLS Unlimited
Allows sorting by Keyword for area
until export developed for Convert to Sample-view/manage carcass recipient

Tracking multiple parts saved separately

Disposition Death-Carcass Disposition
Choose “Convert to Sample”
View/Manage Carcass- enter Recipient
Allows tracking during prep by other institution
(Request submitted for ZIMS Export from this field)

Move whole carcass to main “Bioartifact” enclosure
Allows export to spreadsheet of complete list of animals with artifacts preserved

Enter a Carcass Note for each saved piece each time moved to new location
Allows tracking of individual artifacts as they get moved for programs

HOSP Bioartifact (Keyword)
Original animal in main “Bioartifact” enclosure

EDU Bioartifact (keyword)
A carcass note retrieval for species “wood stork” lists all wood stork artifacts and last location