

## Supplementary material

### Evaluating the progress and needs of taxonomy since the Convention on Biological Diversity: going beyond the rate of species description

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### List of quantitative assessments of taxonomy (1992–2012, *n* = 84)

*Documents analysed in our corpus* (*n* = 67)

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