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1995 Barrow Atqasuk ITEX Community v1.txt
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These files contain data representing the community composition and structure of ITEX plots at Barrow and Atqasuk in a text tab delimited format. The data presented were collected on the second summer of the experiment, in 2000, during summers of 2007 or 2008, 2012, and 2017 for 48 plots (24 experiment open-top chamber plots and 24 control plots) at four sites (Atqasuk Wet Meadow, Atqasuk Dry Heath, Barrow Wet Meadow, and Barrow Dry Heath) and 2014 for 8 plots (4 control and 4 experimental) at two sites (Barrow Dry Heath and Atqasuk Dry Heath).

GENERAL INFORMATION

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DATA COVERAGE = START: 19950701; STOP: 20XX UTC

PLATFORM/SITE = Barrow, Alaska (71°19'N 156°37'W);
Atqasuk, Alaska (70°29'N 157°25'W)

INSTRUMENT = Point Frame with 100 points

DATA VERSION = 1.0 (26 September 2008), preliminary quality check only

DATA COLLECTION

The data were gathered by placing a Point Frame over each plot and recording the top and bottom species at each location in years prior to 2007 and every contact after then. The height of the top species was recorded relative to the ground at that location. The grids were spaced 7 cm apart and started at 3.5 cm from the edge of the square 70 cm frame. The species was recorded at each location along with its height relative to the ground surface. Occasionally it was difficult to distinguish which species was on the ground because there were several intertwined individuals, therefore preference was given to vascular plants, then lichens, and then mosses. Due to the limitations of field identification many species were lumped into larger taxa.

Caveats

The taxa provide are relatively robust, however even with the species lumping presented there may have been some difficulty with bryophytes and lichens. Prior to 2007 the sampling only involved the top and bottom hits. In 2007 or 2008, 2012, and 2017 all hits were recorded. The height of each hit was estimated for the first sampling (1995-1997). In 2014 only 8 plots from each dry site were sampled as soil samples were taken from these plots.

DATA DETAILS

A listing of the species associated with each taxa is listed below along with the source for the species nomenclature.

strTaxon	Taxon Name	Species Included
ACRMOS	Acrocarpous moss	Acrocarpous moss
ALECOM	Alectoria complex	Alectoria nigricans Alectoria ochroleuca Alectoria species Conicularia divergens Cornicularia divergens
ALGSPP	Algae species	Algae brown
ALOALP	Alopecurus alpinus	Alopecurus alpinus
ANEURA	Aneura	Aneura pinguis Riccia lobate
ANTFRI	Antennaria friesiana	Antennaria friesiana
ARCLAT	Arctagrostis latifolia	Arctagrostis latifolia
ARTBOR	Artemisia borealis	Artemisia borealis
AULACO	Aulacomnium	Aulacomnium palustre Aulacomnium species Aulacomnium turgidum
BARGRO	Bare ground	Bare ground Mineral soil Rock Stone
BARTRA	Bartramia	Bartramia ithyphylla
BETNAN	Betula nana	Betula nana
BRACHY	Brachythecium	Brachythecium turgidum
BRYCAP	Bryum capillare	Bryum capillare
BRYMNI	Bryum mnium complex	Bryum cyclophyllum Bryum pseudoargenteum Bryum species Bryum subneodamense Bryum teres Cinclidium latifolium Cinclidium subrotundum Plagiomnium ellipticum Pohlia cruda Pohlia nutans Pohlia species Rhizomnium andrewsianum

		Rhizomnium species
BRYOER	<i>Bryoerythrophyllum</i>	<i>Bryoerythrophyllum recurvirostre</i>
CALLIE	<i>Calliergon</i>	<i>Calliergon giganteum</i> <i>Calliergon richardsonii</i> <i>Calliergon sarmentosum</i> <i>Calliergon species</i> <i>Orthothecium chryseon</i>
CAMPYL	<i>Campylium</i>	<i>Campylium stellatum</i> <i>Campylium stellatum</i>
CARAQU	<i>Carex aquatilis complex</i>	<i>Carex aquatilis</i> <i>Carex rariflora</i> <i>Carex rotundata</i> <i>Carex stans</i> <i>Carex subspathacea</i>
CARBIG	<i>Carex bigelowii</i>	<i>Carex bigelowii</i>
CARPRA	<i>Cardamine pratensis</i>	<i>Cardamine pratensis</i>
CASTET	<i>Cassiope tetragona</i>	<i>Cassiope tetragona</i>
CERAST	<i>Cerastium</i>	<i>Cerastium beeringianum</i>
CETCUC	<i>Cetraria cucullata complex</i>	<i>Asahinea chrysanthia</i> <i>Cetraria cucullata</i> <i>Cetraria nivalis</i>
CETISL	<i>Cetraria islandica complex</i>	<i>Cetraria delisei</i> <i>Cetraria ericetorum</i> <i>Cetraria islandica</i> <i>Cetraria laevigata</i> <i>Cetraria richardsonii</i>
CETUNI	<i>Cetraria unidentified</i>	<i>Cetraria species</i>
CHABAS	Flux chamber base	Chamber base
CHRTET	<i>Chrysosplenium tetrandrum</i>	<i>Chrysosplenium tetrandrum</i>
CLACOM	<i>Cladonia complex</i>	<i>Cladina mitis</i> <i>Cladonia amaurocraea</i> <i>Cladonia coccifera</i> <i>Cladonia cornuta</i> <i>Cladonia crustose</i> <i>Cladonia gracilis</i> <i>Cladonia pyxidata</i> <i>Cladonia small yellow</i> <i>Cladonia species</i> <i>Cladonia squamosa</i> <i>Cladonia uncialis</i>
CLADINA	<i>Cladina complex</i>	<i>Cladina rangiferina</i>
COCOFF	<i>Cochlearia officinalis</i>	<i>Cochlearia officinalis</i>
CONOST	<i>Conostomum</i>	<i>Conostomum tetragonum</i>

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CRULIC	Crustose lichen	Caloplaca species Crustose lichen Crustose lichen
DACTYL	Dactylina	Dactylina arctica
DIALAP	Diapensia lapponica	Diapensia lapponica
DICCOM	Dicranum complex	Dicranella species Dicranum acutifolium Dicranum angustum Dicranum elongatum Dicranum spadiceum Dicranum species Dicranum species Distichium capillaceum Distichium inclinatum Distichium species Ditrichum flexicaule Kiaeria glacialis
DRALAC	Draba lactea	Draba lactea
DRAMIC	Draba micropetala	Draba micropetala
DRECOM	Drepanocladus complex	Calliergon black Drepanocladus badius Drepanocladus brevifolius Drepanocladus exannulata Drepanocladus fluitans Drepanocladus revolvens Drepanocladus uncinatus Drepanocladus species Drepanocladus species Drepanocladus species
DUPFIS	Dupontia fisheri	Dupontia fisheri Dupontia psilosantha
EQUIPM	Equipment	Probe
ERIANG	Eriophorum angustifolium	Eriophorum angustifolium Eriophorum triste
ERIRUS	Eriophorum russeolum complex	Eriophorum russeolum Eriophorum scheuchzeri
FEATHE	Bird feather	Bird feather
FISSID	Fissidans	Fissidans species
FUNGIX	Fungi spp	Mushroom
HIEALP	Hierochloe alpina	Hierochloe alpina
HOLEXX	Hole	Ground hole
HYLOCO	Hylocomium	Hylocomium splendens
JUNBIG	Juncus biglumis	Juncus biglumis

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LEALIV	Leafy liverwort	<i>Anastrophyllum minutum</i> <i>Anastrophyllum saxicola</i> Black ground Black organic crust <i>Blepharostoma trichophyllum</i> Brown organic crust <i>Cephaloziella arctica</i> <i>Cephaloziella spp</i> <i>Chyloscyphus fragilis</i> Green hair Grey ground <i>Gymnocolea inflata</i> <i>Gymnomitrium Species</i> Hepatic leafy Leafy liverwort Leafy liverwort Leafy liverwort <i>Lecolea rutheana</i> <i>Orthocaulis kunceanus</i> <i>Orthocaulis quadrilobus</i> <i>Sphenolobus minutus</i> <i>Tritomaria quinquedentata</i>
LEDPAL	<i>Ledum palustre</i>	<i>Ledum palustre</i>
LITTER	Leaf Litter	Dead material Leaf litter
LUZARC	<i>Luzula arctica</i>	<i>Luzula arctica</i>
LUZCON	<i>Luzula confusa</i>	<i>Luzula confusa</i>
LUZWAH	<i>Luzula wahlenbergii</i>	<i>Luzula wahlenbergii</i>
MEESIA	<i>Meesia</i>	<i>Meesia triquetra</i> <i>Meesia uliginosa</i>
MINOBT	<i>Minuartia obtusiloba</i>	<i>Minuartia obtusiloba</i>
MISSIN	Missing Data	Missing data
NOSTOC	<i>Nostoc</i>	<i>Nostoc species</i>
ONCOPH	<i>Oncophorus</i>	<i>Oncophorus species</i> <i>Oncophorus virens</i> <i>Oncophorus wahlenbergii</i>
OXYDIG	<i>Oxyria digyna</i>	<i>Oxyria digyna</i>
PAPHUL	<i>Papaver hultenii</i>	<i>Papaver hultenii</i> <i>Papaver lapponicum</i>
PARMEL	<i>Parmelia complex</i>	<i>Hypogymnia rugosa</i> <i>Hypogymnia subobscura</i> <i>Parmelia omphalodes</i> <i>Parmelia species</i>

PEATXX	Peat	Peat
PEDKAN	<i>Pedicularis kanei</i>	<i>Pedicularis kanei</i>
PEDSUD	<i>Pedicularis sudetica</i>	<i>Pedicularis sudetica</i>
PELCOM	<i>Peltigera complex</i>	<i>Lobaria linita</i> <i>Nephroma expallidum</i> <i>Nephroma spp.</i> <i>Peltigera aphthosa</i> <i>Peltigera canina</i> <i>Peltigera leucophlebia</i> <i>Peltigera malacea</i> <i>Peltigera rufescens</i> <i>Peltigera species</i> <i>Solorina crocea</i> <i>Sticta arctica</i>
PERUSA	<i>Pertusariaceae complex</i>	<i>Grey organic crust</i> <i>Ochrolechia species</i> <i>Organic crust</i> <i>Pertusaria species</i> <i>White organic crust</i>
PETFRI	<i>Petasites frigidus</i>	<i>Petasites frigidus</i>
PLATAG	Plant tag	<i>Salix pen</i> <i>Salix tag</i> <i>Wire</i>
POACEA	<i>Poaceae complex</i>	<i>Calamagrostis holmii</i> <i>Festuca brachyphylla</i> <i>Grass</i> <i>Hierochloe pauciflora</i> <i>Poa arctica</i> <i>Poa spp</i> <i>Poa viviparum</i>
POGONA	<i>Polygonatum</i>	<i>Polygonatum</i> <i>Polygonatum dentatum</i> <i>Polygonatum dentatum</i>
POITAG	Point frame tag	<i>Point frame tag</i>
POLBIS	<i>Polygonum bistorta</i>	<i>Polygonum bistorta</i>
POLCOM	<i>Polytrichum complex</i>	<i>Polytrichum alpinum</i> <i>Polytrichum hyperboreum</i> <i>Polytrichum jenseii</i> <i>Polytrichum juniperum</i> <i>Polytrichum piliferum</i> <i>Polytrichum species</i> <i>Polytrichum species</i> <i>Polytrichum species</i>

		Polytrichum strictum
		Timmia austriaca
POLVIV	Polygonum viviparum	Polygonum viviparum
POOBIR	Bird poop	Bird poop
POOCAR	Caribou poo	Cariboo poo
		Caribou poop
POOFOX	Fox poo	Fox poop
POOGOO	Goose poo	Goose poop
POOLEM	Lemming poo	Lemming poop
POOOWL	Owl pellet	Owl pellet
POOPTA	Ptarmigan poo	Ptarmigan poop
POTHYP	Potentilla hyperborea	Potentilla hyperborea
PSOHYP	Psoroma hypnorum	Psoroma hypnorum
PTILID	Ptilidium	Ptilidium ciliare
RACOMI	Racomitrium	Racomitrium canescens
		Racomitrium lanuginosum
RANNIV	Ranunculus nivalis	Ranunculus nivalis
RHYTID	Rhytidium	Rhytidium rugosum
SALPHL	Salix phlebophylla	Salix phlebophylla
SALPOL	Salix polaris	Salix polaris
		Salix polaris
SALPUL	Salix pulchra	Salix pulchra
SALROT	Salix rotundifolia	Salix rotundifolia
SAXCER	Saxifraga cernua	Saxifraga cernua
SAXFOL	Saxifraga foliolosa	Saxifraga foliolosa
SAXHIE	Saxifraga hieracifolia	Saxifraga hieracifolia
SAXHIR	Saxifraga hirculus	Saxifraga hirculus
SAXPUN	Saxifraga punctata	Saxifraga punctata
SCAPAN	Scapania	Scapania paludicolla
		Scapania paludicolla
SENATR	Senecio atropurpureus	Senecio atropurpureus
SIPHUL	Siphula	Siphula ceratites
SPHAER	Sphaerophorus	Sphaerophorus globosus
SPHAGN	Sphagnum	Sphagnum
		Sphagnum compactum
		Sphagnum imbricatum
		Sphagnum moss
		Sphagnum warnstorffii
STAKEX	Stake	Stake
STELLA	Stellaria	Stellaria humifusa
		Stellaria laeta
STEREO	Stereocaulon	Stereocaulon alpinum

		Stereocaulon species
THAMNO	Thamnolia	Thamnolia
TOMENT	Tomenthypnum	Tomenthypnum nitens
TORTEL	Tortella	Tortella torulosa
TRISPI	Trisetum spicatum	Trisetum spicatum
UNIBRY	Unidentified bryophyte	Dead moss
		Moss species
UNIGRA	Unidentified graminoid	Graminoid
UNILIC	Unidentified lichen	Lichen species
VACVIT	Vaccinium vitis-idaea	Vaccinium vitis-idaea
XXXXXX	Empty field	Empty field

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DATA FORMAT

The following prefixes have been used to designate data type.

str - indicates string (text) data

ysn - indicates yes or no data

dmt - indicates date time data

num - indicates numeric data

All string data within a column contain the same number of characters. The meaning of each character is defined at each position by stating the length of the identifier with a numeric and placing all the data codes used within parentheses directly after the numeric. For example:
strYear - year of recording

4(1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2007, 2008, 2012, 2014, 2017)

The above example describes a column that represents the year the data was recorded, it is string data that is always four characters in length and the only data codes used are 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2007, 2008, 2012, 2014, 2017.

COLUMN DESCRIPTIONS

strUTC - universal time constant (UTC)

year 4(1995-2017)

month 2(06-08)

day 2(01-31)

strIdLo - the location of the recording

site 1(B=Barrow Alaska, A=Atqasuk Alaska)

community 1(D=Dry Heath Tundra, W=Wet Meadow Tundra)

treatment 1(C=Control, E=Open-Top Chamber)

plot 2(01-24)

strSitCom - the site and community

site 1(B=Barrow Alaska, A=Atqasuk Alaska)

community 1(D=Dry Heath Tundra, W=Wet Meadow Tundra)

strTrea - treatment 1(C=Control, E=Open-Top Chamber)

strPlot - plot 2(01-24)

numYear - the year of the recording (1995-2017)

numJulian - Julian day of year(1-366)

numMonth - month of the year (6-8)

numNS - location of point along the North/South axis

numEW - location of point along the East/West axis

strLev - level of the hit 1(1-7; most hits where only 1)

strType - type of hit 1(F=Feces, G=Ground, H=Human, L=Litter,
N=Non vascular, U=Unknown, V=Vascular)

strBFun - broad functional type 4(ALGA=Algae, BARE=Bare

Ground, BRYO=Bryophyte, CHAM=Flux Chamber Base, DSHR=Woody

deciduous, ESHR=Woody evergreen, FORB=Forb, FUNG=Fungus,

GRAM=Graminoid, LICH=Lichen, LITT=Leaf Litter, MISS=Missing Data,

PLTA=Plant Tag, POOP=Feces, POTA=Point Frame Tag, PROB=Probe)

strNFun - narrow functional group 4(ACRO=Acrocarpous Moss,

ALGA=Algae, BARE=Bare Ground, CAGR=Caespitose Graminoid,

CHAM=Flux Chamber Base, CRUS=Crustose Lichen, CUFO=Cushion Forb,

DESH=Deciduous Shrub, ERFO=Errect Forb, EVSH=Evergreen Shrub,

FOLI=Foliose Lichen, FRUT=Fruticose Lichen, FUNG=Fungus, LEAF=Leafy

liverwort, LITT=Leaf Litter, MAFO=Mat Forb, MISS=Missing Data,

PLEU=Pleurocarpous Moss, PLTA=Plant Tag, POOP=Feces, POTA=Point

Frame Tag, PROB=Probe, ROFO=Rosette Forb, SIGR=Single Graminoid,

SPHA=Sphagnum Moss, THAL=Thalloid Liverwort, UNBR=Unidentified

Bryophyte, UNGR=Unidentified Graminoid, UNLI=Unidentified Lichen)

strTaxon - taxon 6(see listing above)

strStatus - status 1(L=Live, D=Dead, O=Other)

numHeight - height of the hit relative to the ground at that point (cm) (estimated in years 94-97)

numGround - distance of the ground from the level point frame (cm)

NOTE

-999.9 - indicates missing data