***Channa striata* species page: search and copyright**

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Literature search

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I identified relevant literature via Google Scholar and Web of Science using various combinations of the search terms “channa striata”, “channidae”, “ecology”, “taxonomy” and “systematics”. As much of the literature retrieved via the above search engines was oriented towards developing the common snakehead for aquaculture applications, I frequently narrowed my search using Web of Science to papers in the “marine freshwater biology “ and “environmental sciences” categories. Useful literature was also identified from the bibliographies of relevant papers and accessed via Google Scholar.

In addition, I supplemented my search using information from databases such as FishBase and IUCN. Literature was occasionally accessed using the general Google search engine, but in such cases sources were cautiously restricted to primary sources and governmental reports, which are likely to be more reliable.

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