# 21 Years to Common Ground

An extremely short talk about a long time (in human years) and a short time (in earth years)

Arctic Vegetation Archive Meeting

Marilyn Walker

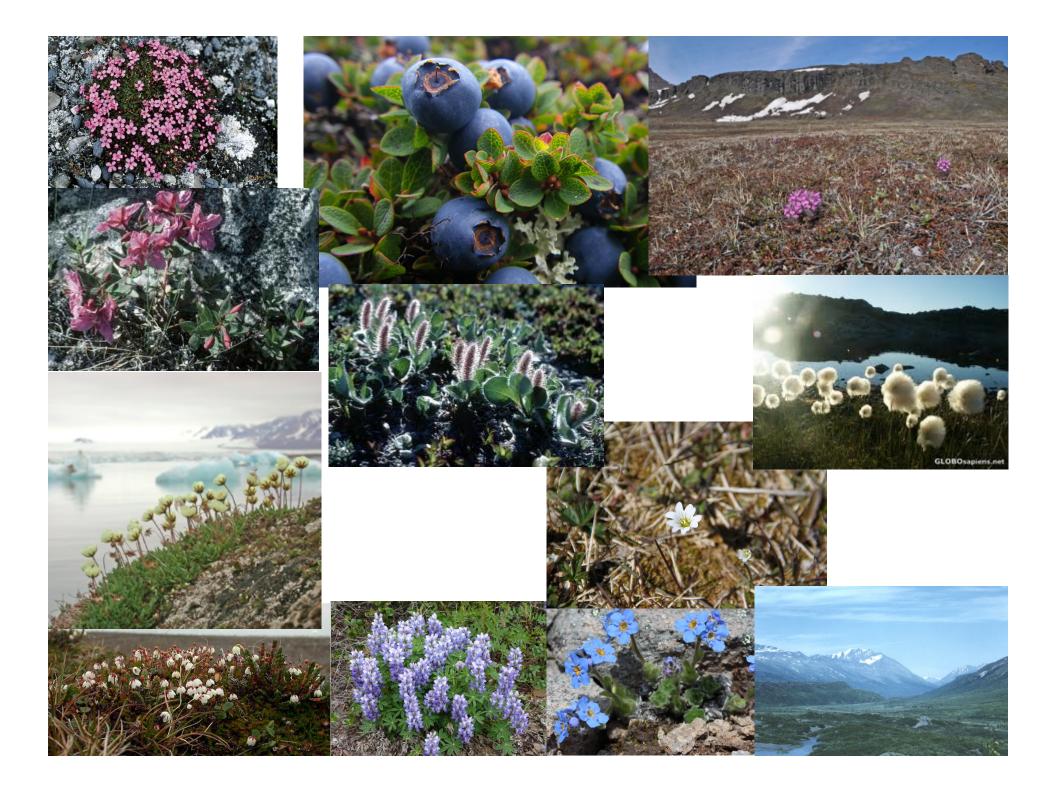
Our planet is not as large as we thought

You are much more valuable together than you are apart

Great is the enemy of good









### Arctic Flora

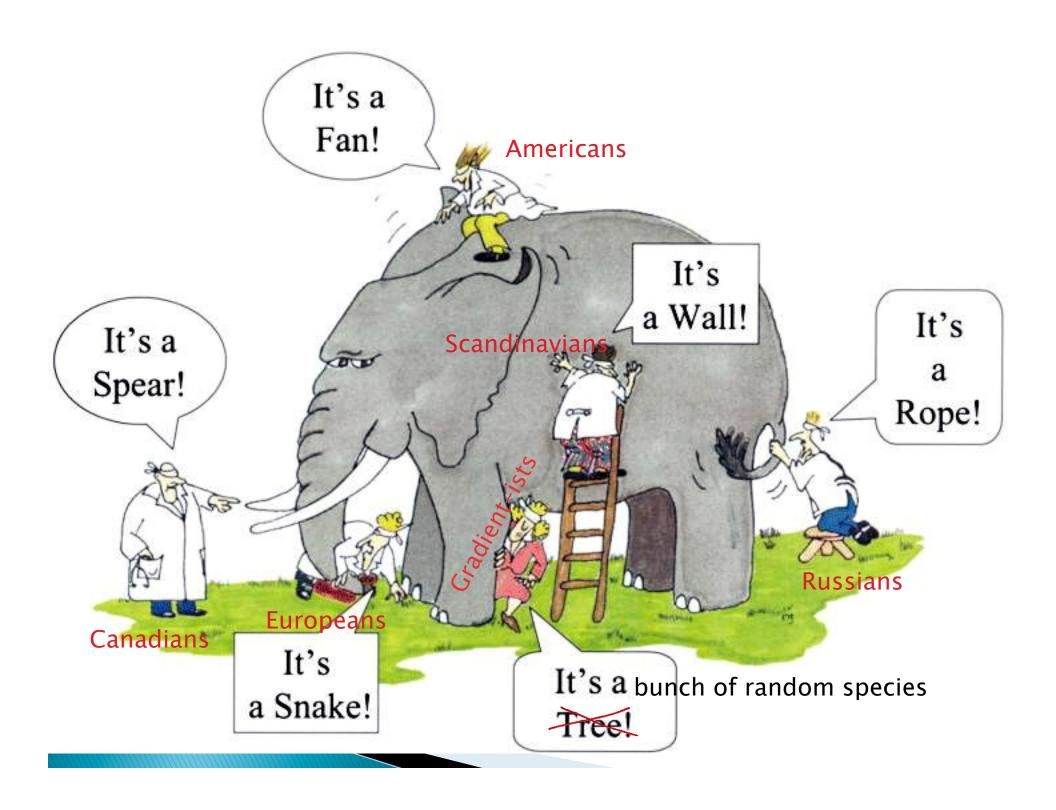
Regional Flora

Pingo Flora

Stand or community

Short time scale events

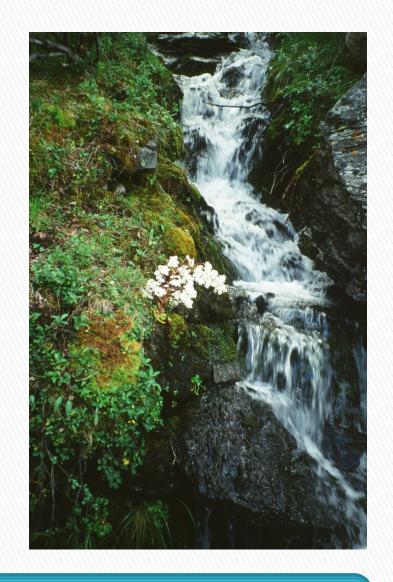




#### The idea for a database is born

- International Arctic Vegetation Workshop
- Spring 1992
- Boulder, Colorado
- Concurrent with the Arctic Workshop
- Arranged through mail, and a very few long distance phone calls

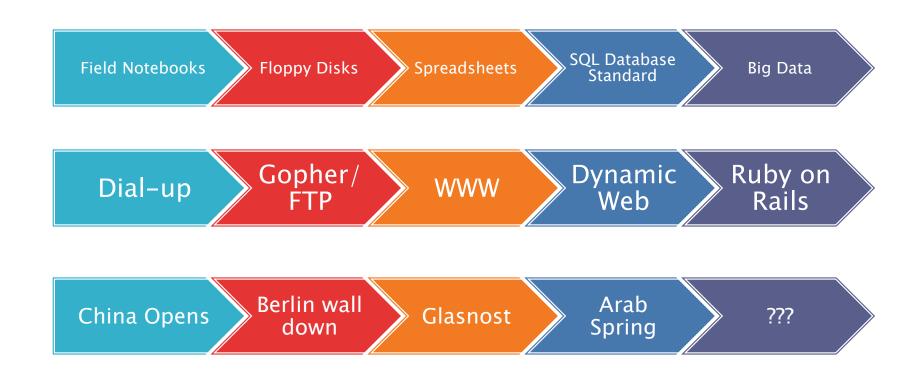


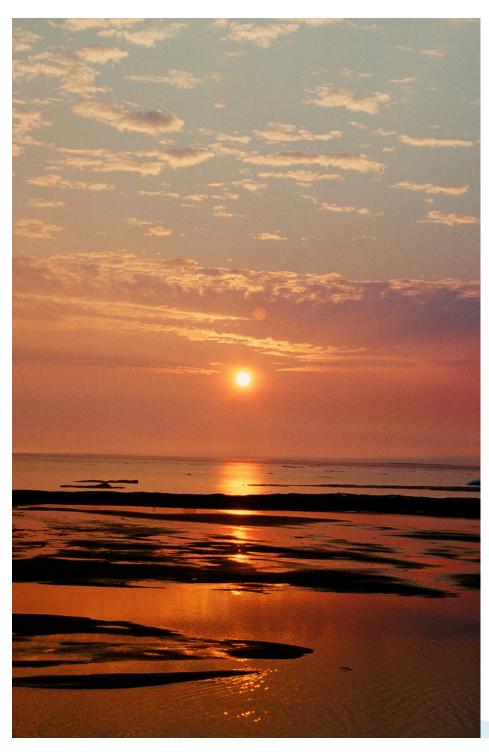


## The elephant in the room: NOMENCLATURE

# VEGBANK A perfectly archived, continuously updated database

## Data, Communication, Politics





It turns out that our planet is not as big as we thought it was.

Midnight sun over the Arctic Ocean, mouth of the Uboinaya River, Siberia



## Better to have Volkswagen that runs than a Cadillac with 4 flat tires





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## When government moves out of the way... People get things done

My name is Muhammad Morady. I'm from Iran and Graduated in Energy Systems Engineering at Sharif University of Technology (The Best Technology University of Iran). Because many of HOMER User lives in Iran and their language is Farsi (Persian). Again many of university student and energy researcher used Homer for hybrid system designing and hybrid power structure assessment, so I translated HOMERGettingStartedGuide to Farsi (Persian) Language and addressed it immediately. StartGuide was translated carefully and attentive. I appreciated for upload it on HOMER Website for Persian users and tell me your comments.

### PS: Biologists are born looking like this!

