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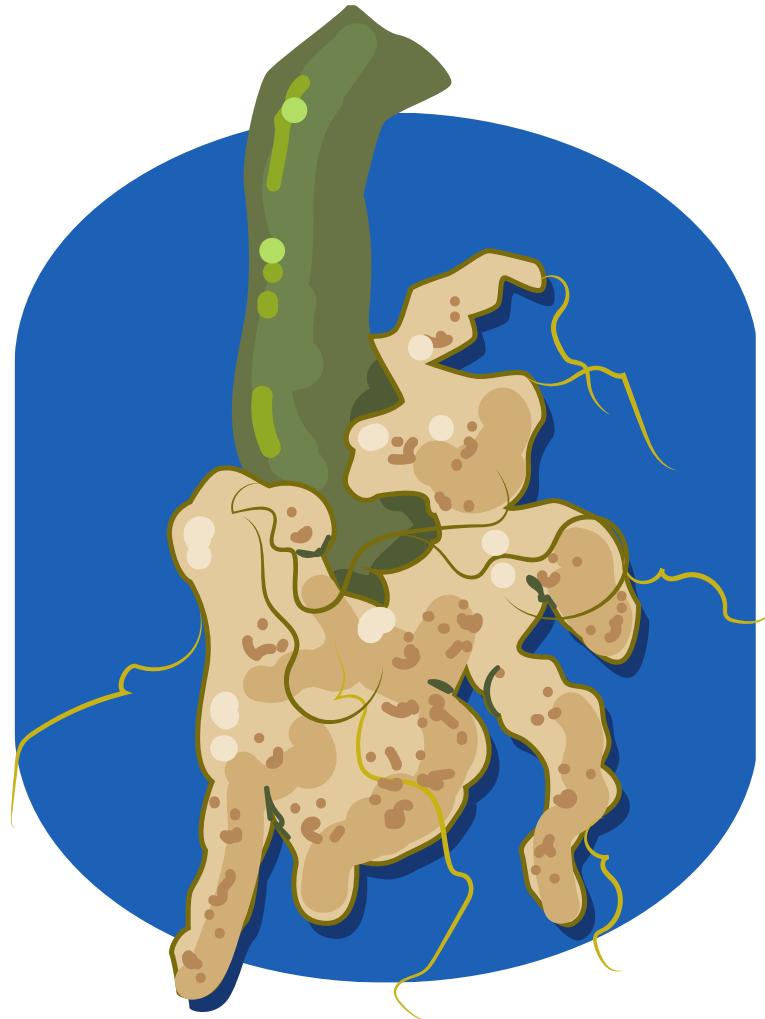


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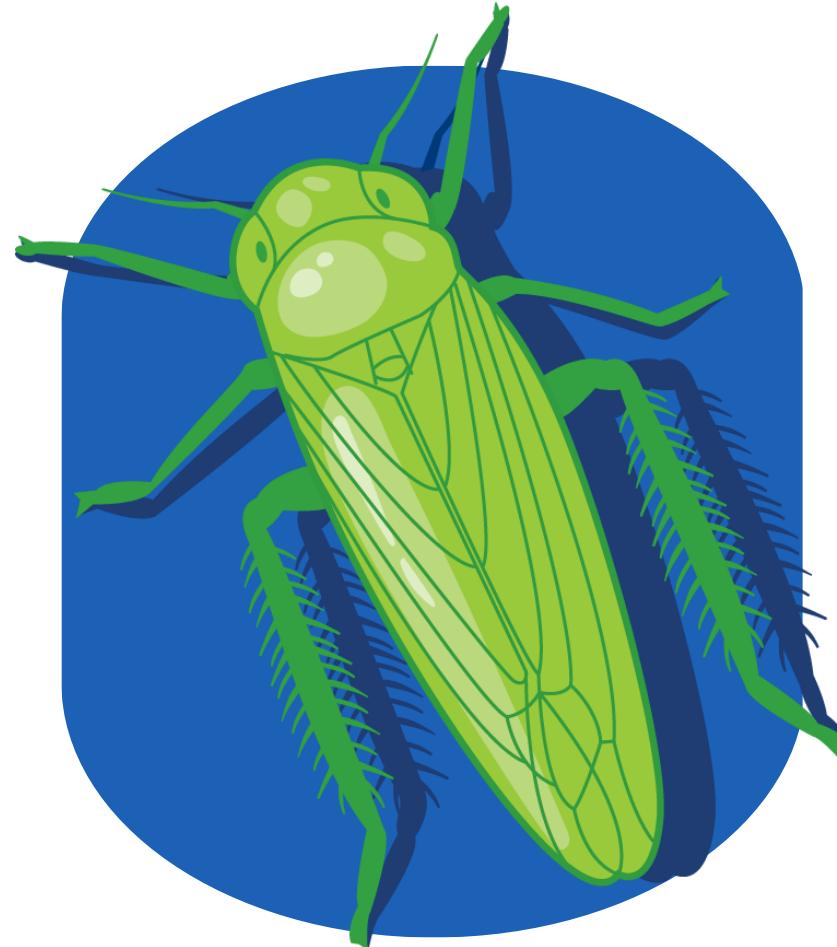
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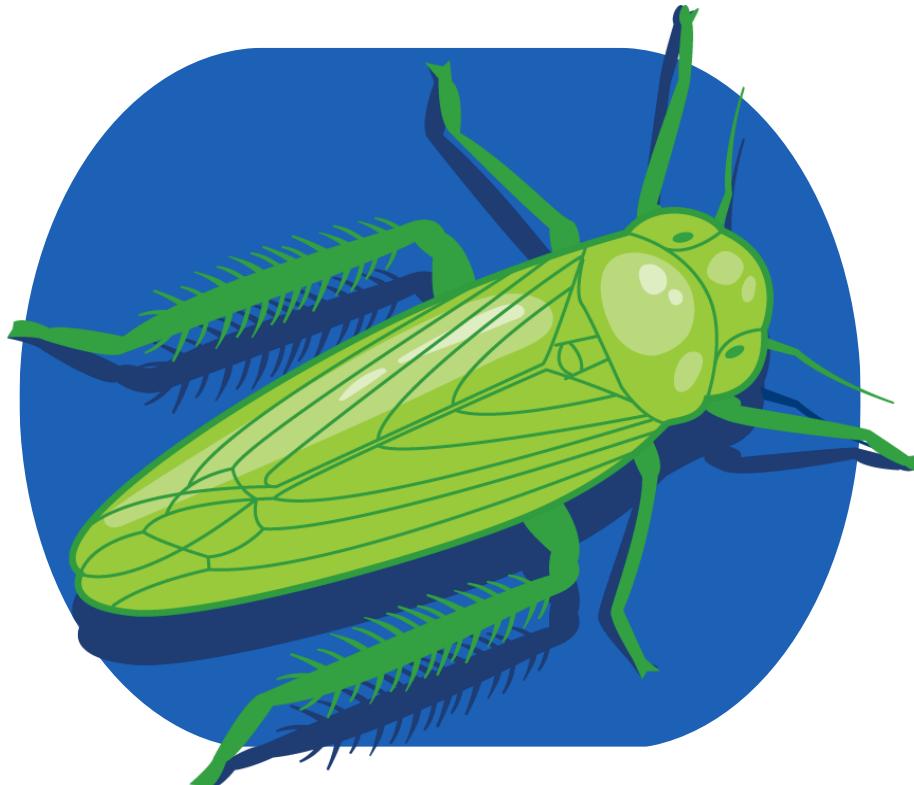
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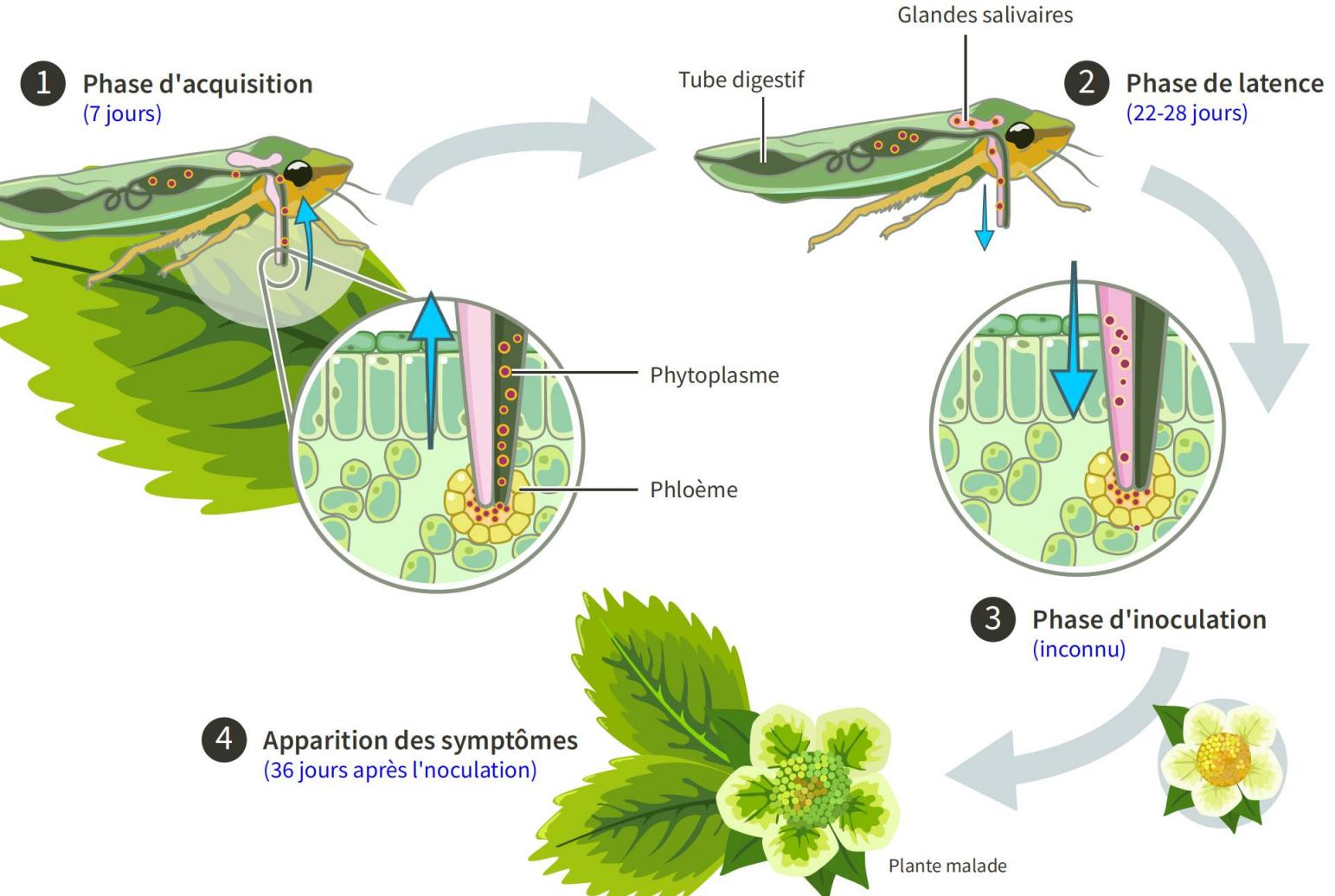
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CLOVER PHYLLODY AND STRAWBERRY GREEN PETAL DISEASES, CAUSED BY THE SAME VIRUS IN EASTERN CANADA¹

L. N. CHIJKOWSKI

Abstract

Experiments were conducted to determine the relationship between clover phyllody and strawberry green petal diseases in Eastern Canada. Clover phyllody virus from naturally infected ladino clover (*Trifolium repens* L.) **in Quebec** was transmitted by *Aphrodes bicinctus* (Schrank) to strawberry (var. Redcoat and Sparkle) and ladino clover. Symptoms on infected strawberry were typical of green petal. Strawberry plants, naturally infected with green petal, were obtained from Kentville, N.S., La Pocatière, Que., and Charlottetown, P.E.I. The virus was transmitted to ladino clover, red clover (*Trifolium pratense* L.), and strawberry (vars. Redcoat, Guardsman, Senator Dunlap, and Grenadier) by *A. bicinctus* and to ladino clover and aster (*Callistephus chinensis* Nees) by *Macrostelus fascifrons* (Stal).

On the basis of leafhopper transmission and symptomatology, it is concluded that clover phyllody and strawberry green petal diseases in Eastern Canada are caused by the same virus.

+ 60\$ millions/an

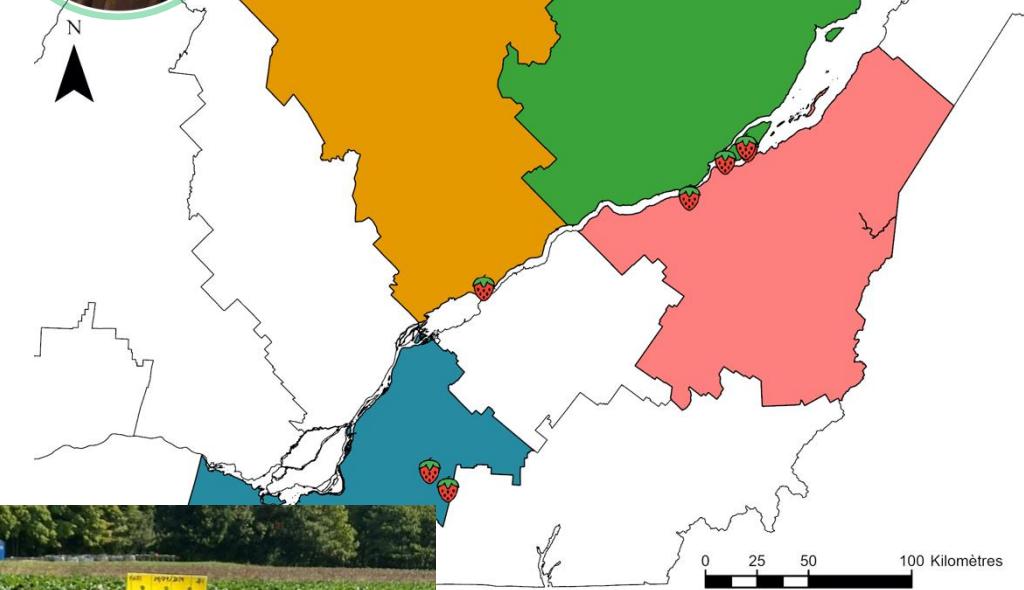
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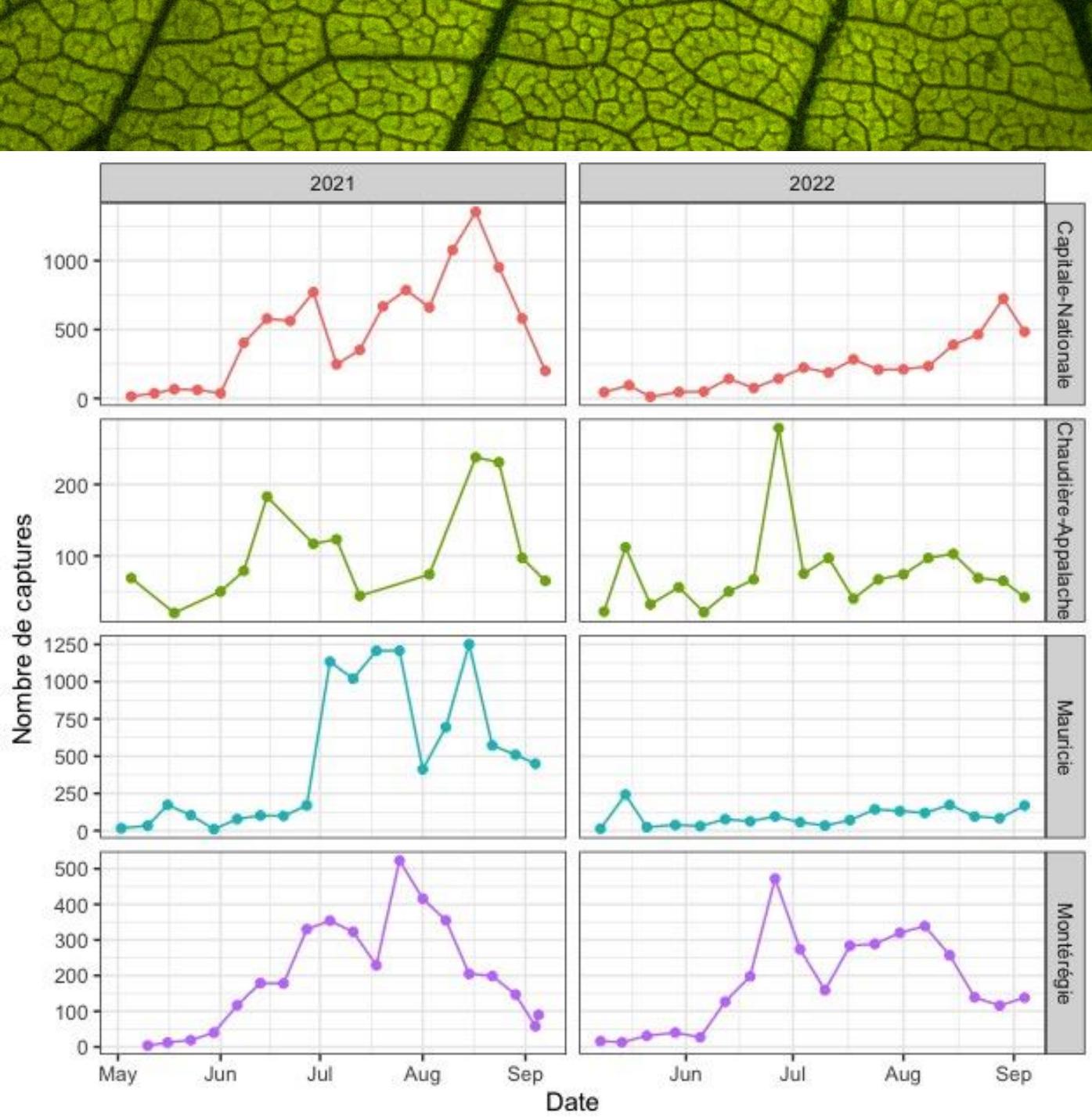
- 7 fermes
- Pièges jeunes
- Hebdomadaire



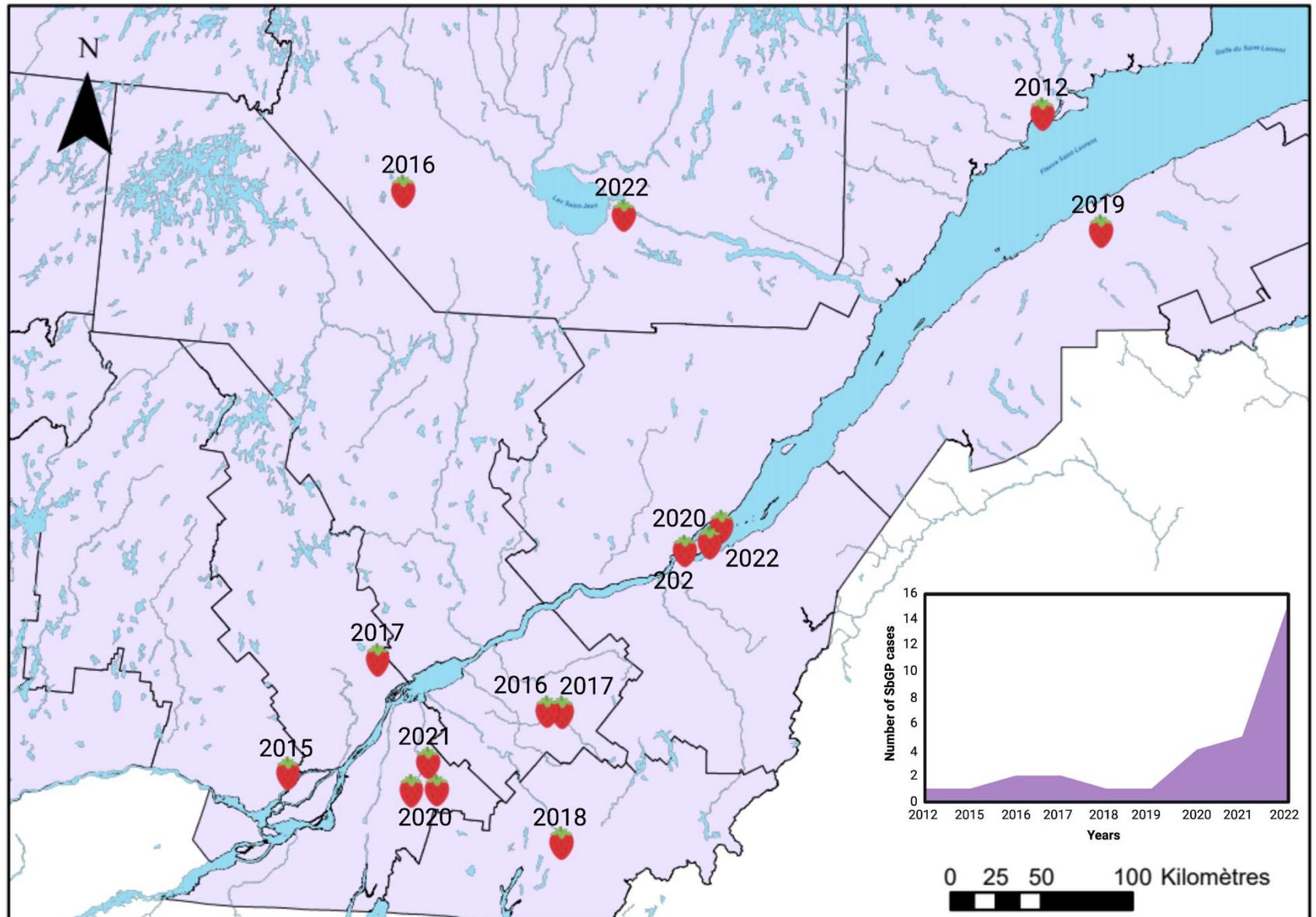




2021+2022: + 33 000
118 Espèces
62 Généra


E. fabae

M. quadrilineatus

Qui est le vecteur de SbGP ?

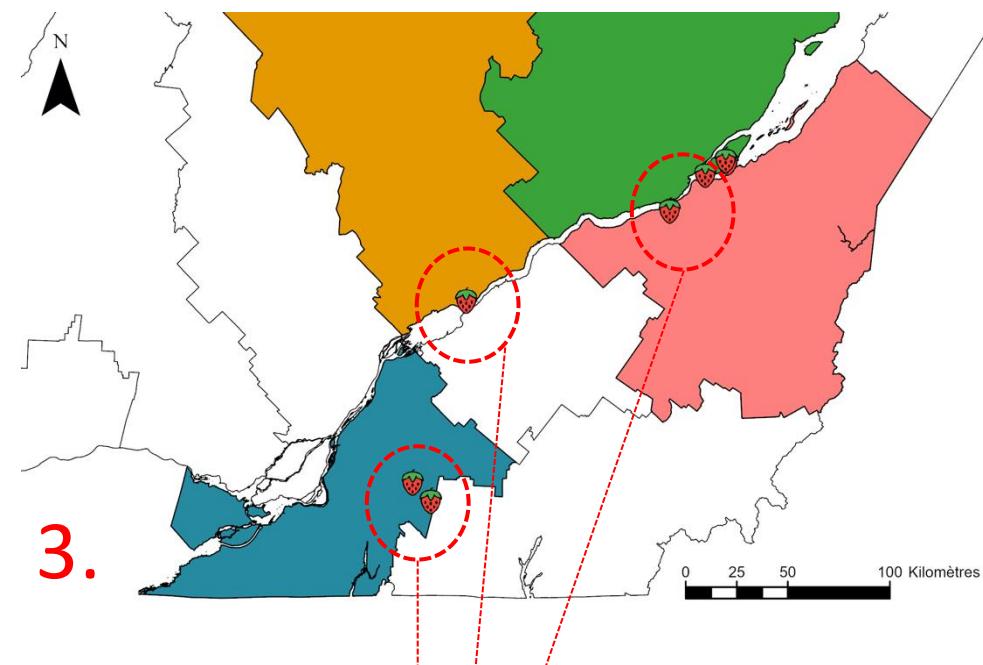
1. PCR 10% de cicadelles captures en 2021

- 3000 cicadelles
- 500 échantillons

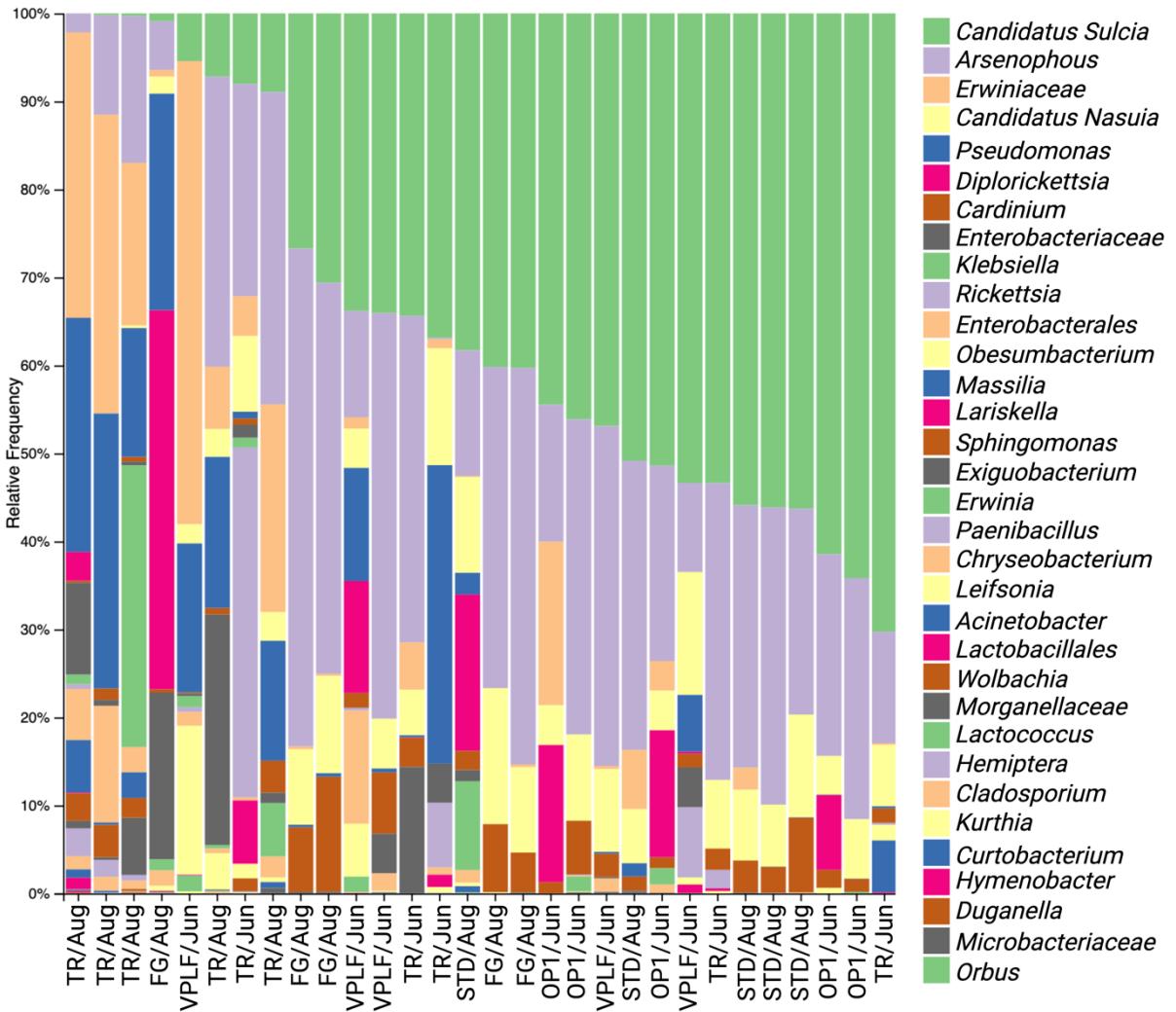
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278 cicadelles dans 7 Généra





300 from June & August



Erwinia sp., *Pseudomonas* sp., *Rickettsia* sp., *Arsenophous*:
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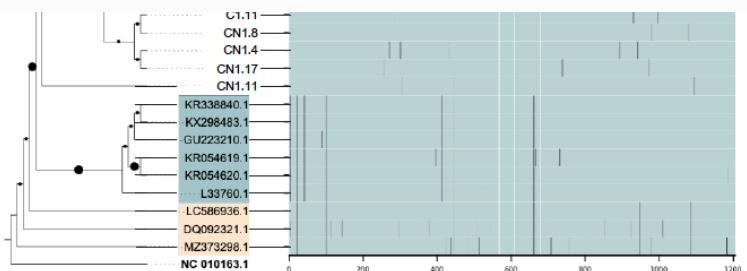
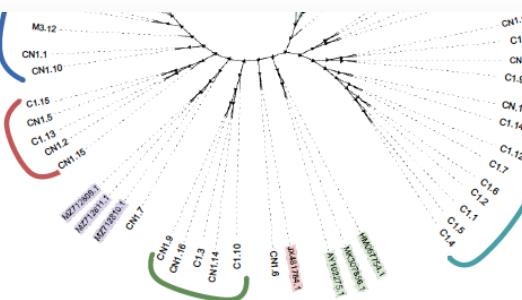
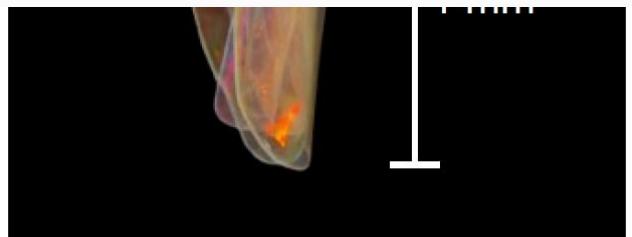
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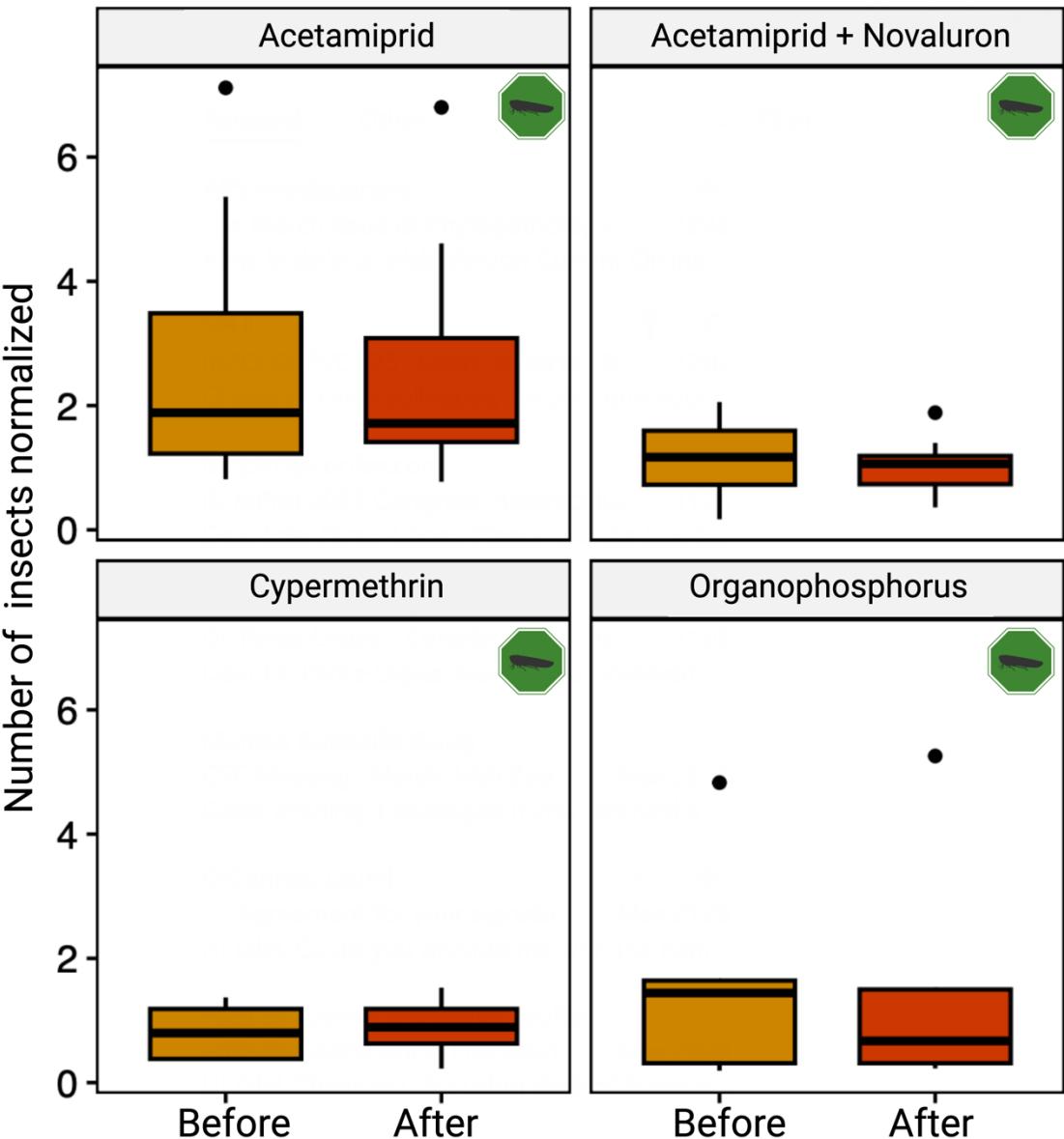
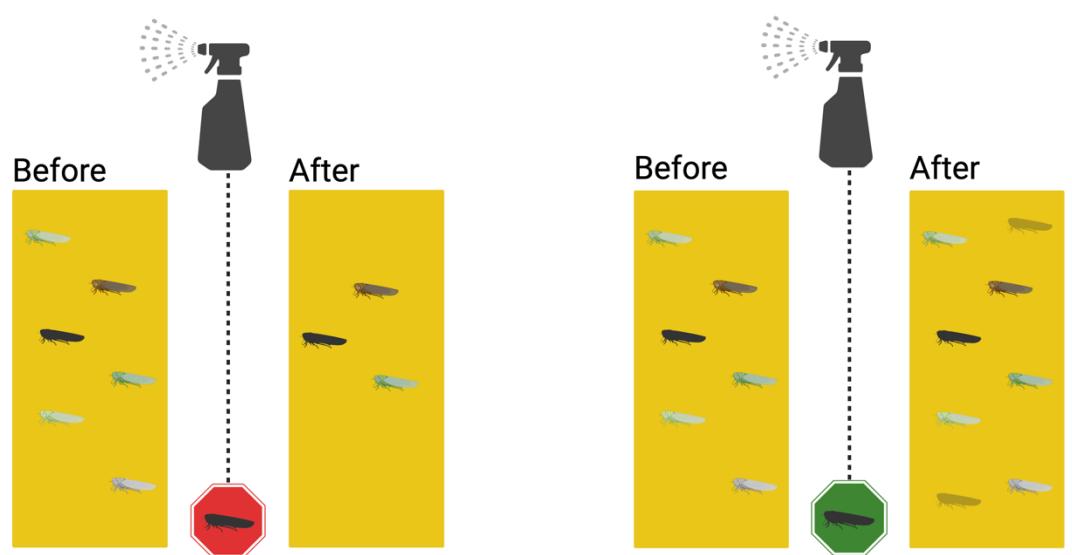
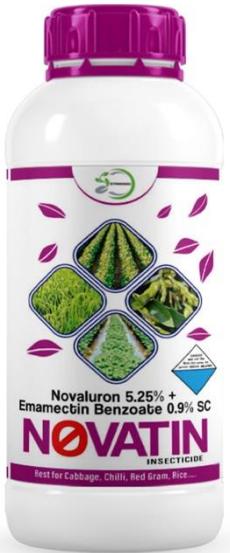


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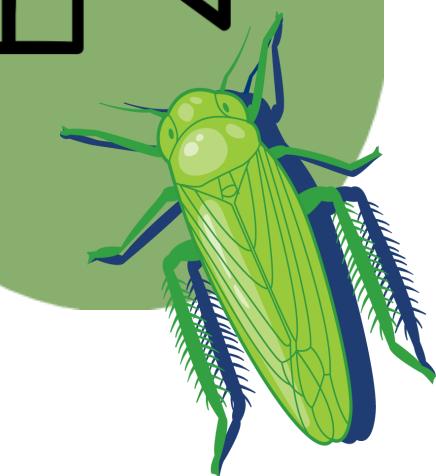
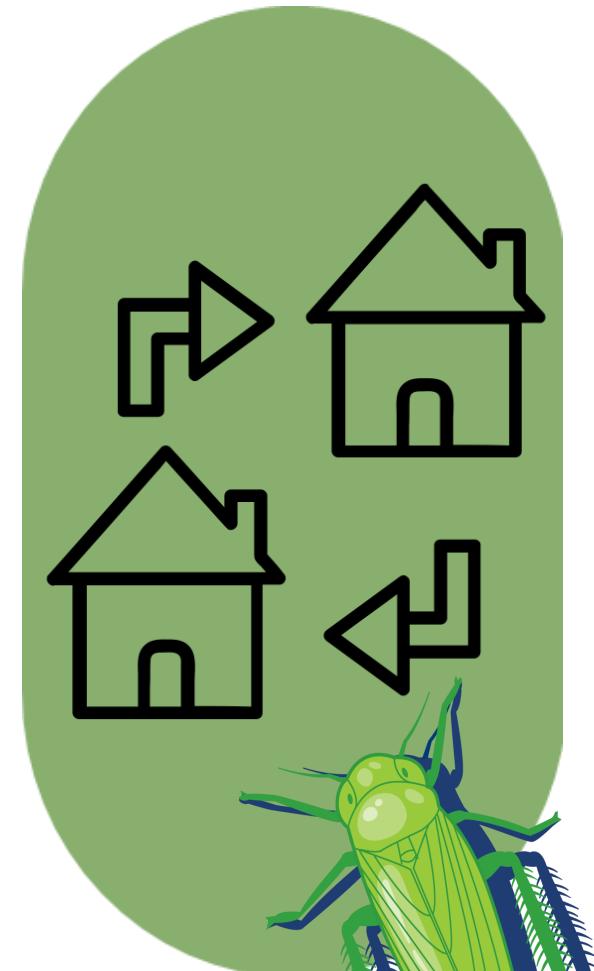
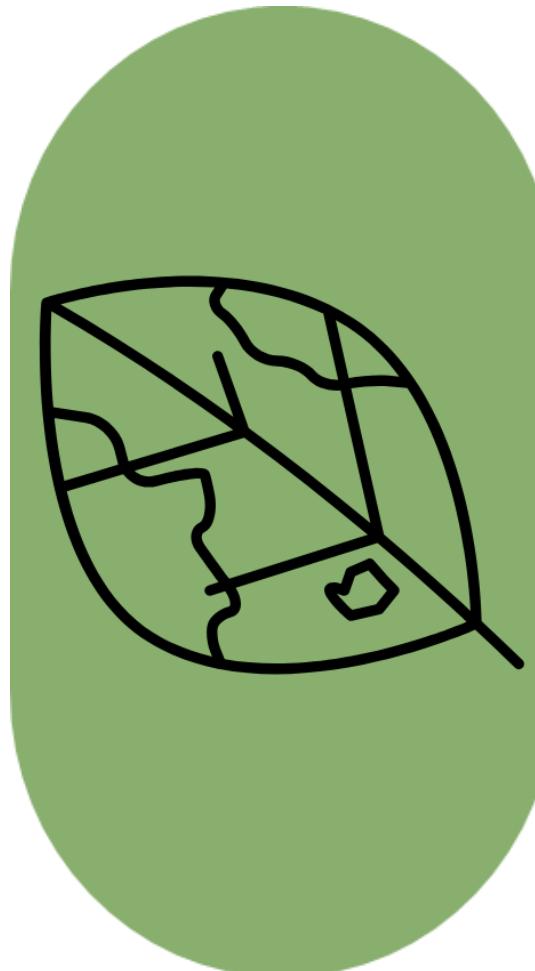
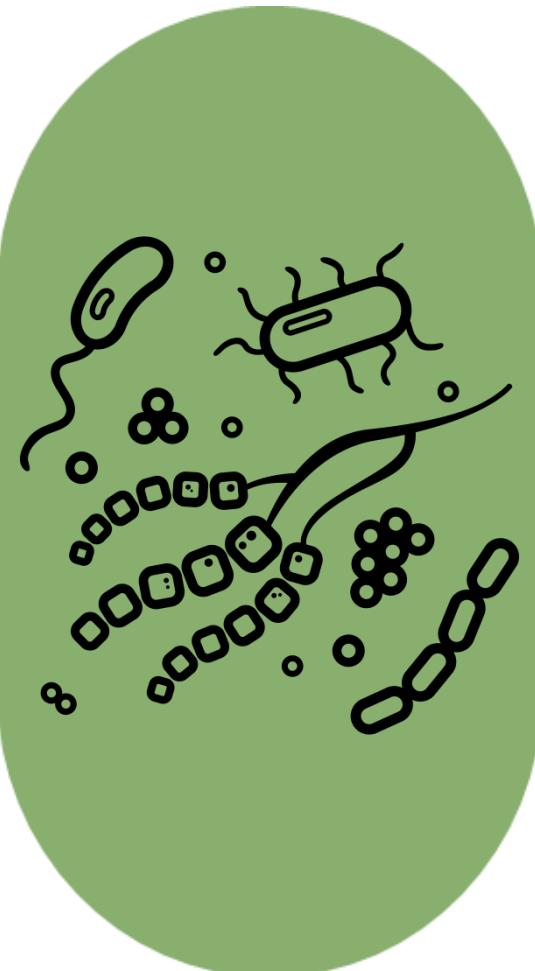
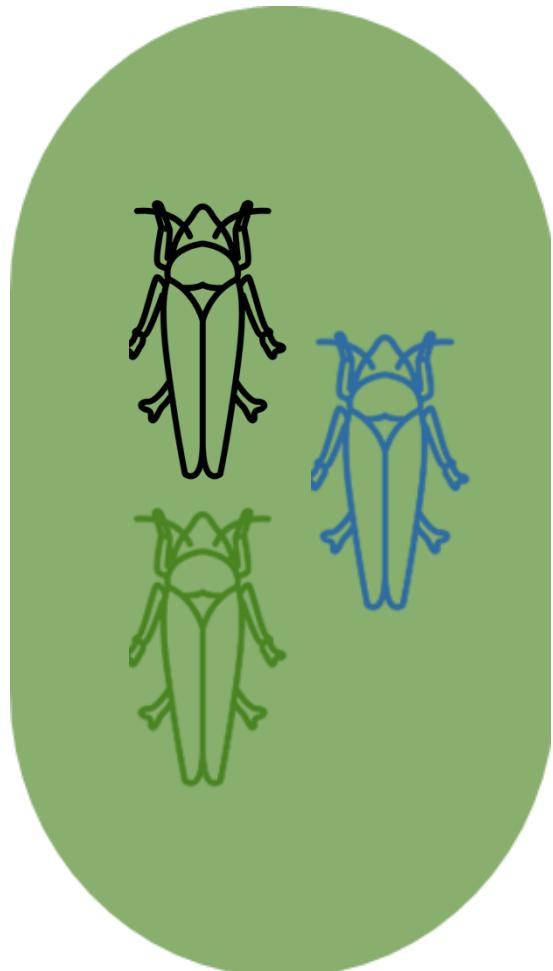


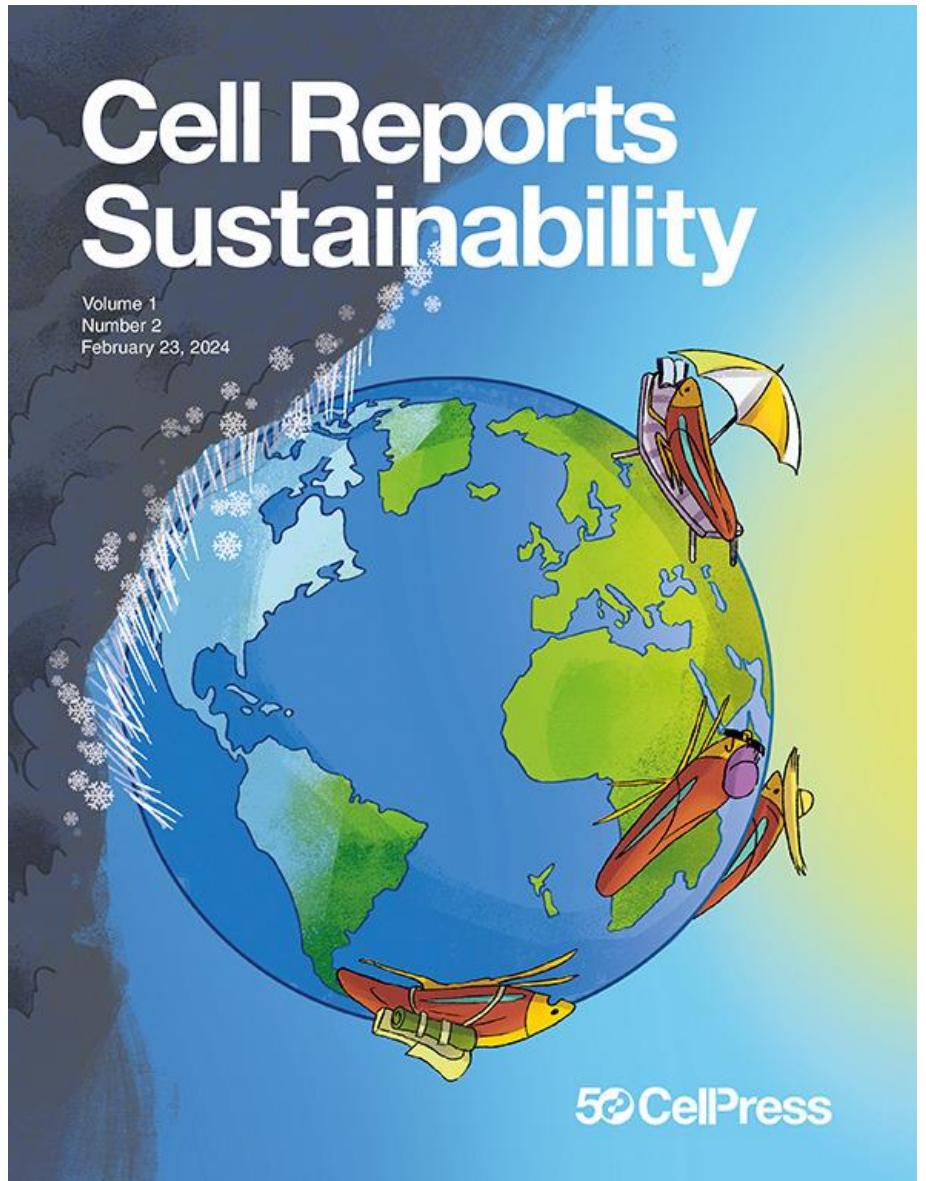
16 days
Négative





En conclusion





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Leafhoppers as markers of the impact of climate change on agriculture

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SCIENCE FOR SOCIETY We have reached a critical tipping point in the climate crisis, requiring us to use our resources to stop the progression of global warming and its devastating effects. Agriculture, top contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, accounts for 8%-10% of total emissions in Canada and the United States. The escalation of pest invasions, a consequence of global warming, threatens food security in the typically cold northern hemisphere and exacerbates agriculture's impact on climate change through increasing pesticide usage. This study examines the effects of climate change on agriculture using leafhoppers—an insect pest group and disease vectors. We found that leafhopper abundance, migration, and microbiome are sensitive to the effects of climate change and that their control will be increasingly challenging. Our findings indicate that leafhoppers can serve as sentinels of climate change, presenting an opportunity to reduce insecticide usage and promote sustainable agriculture practices.

SUMMARY

Climate change is reshaping agriculture and insect biodiversity worldwide. With rising temperatures, insect species are expected to be pushed beyond their current thermal limits, and losses related to diseases transmitted by them will be experienced in new regions. Here, we propose that climate's impact on agriculture can be forecast by studying migratory leafhoppers. From 2021 to 2023, we measured leafhopper numbers in eastern Canada's strawberry fields to test our hypothesis, that leafhopper species and phytoplasma disease-affected strawberry plants both doubled, triggered by temperature changes. A further post-insecticide application study reveals that insecticides by strawberry growers could be ineffective in controlling leafhopper populations, possibly due to changes observed in their microbiome. Our research provides evidence that leafhoppers are sensitive to climate change, making them ideal markers to research the effect of climate change on agriculture.

INTRODUCTION

Climate change is a significant threat to agriculture.¹ In the coming years, the expected warmer climate will have a serious

impact on insect pest distribution and disease incidence, a risk to food security.^{2,3} The impact of climate change on biodiversity is complex and variable depending on the economic group.²⁻⁵ Increases in temperatures might

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De nouvelles espèces de cicadelles répertoriées au Québec

In Quebec's strawberry fields, a tiny insect may forecast big climate impacts: study



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Les cicadelles gagneraient du terrain au Québec

L'abondance et la diversité de ces petits insectes phytophages augmenteraient à la faveur des changements climatiques

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- Est-il possible de prédire l'abondance des cicadelles et d'identifier le meilleur moment de l'année pour l'intervention phytosanitaire ?
- Peut-on également développer de nouvelles alternatives de biocontrôle ?





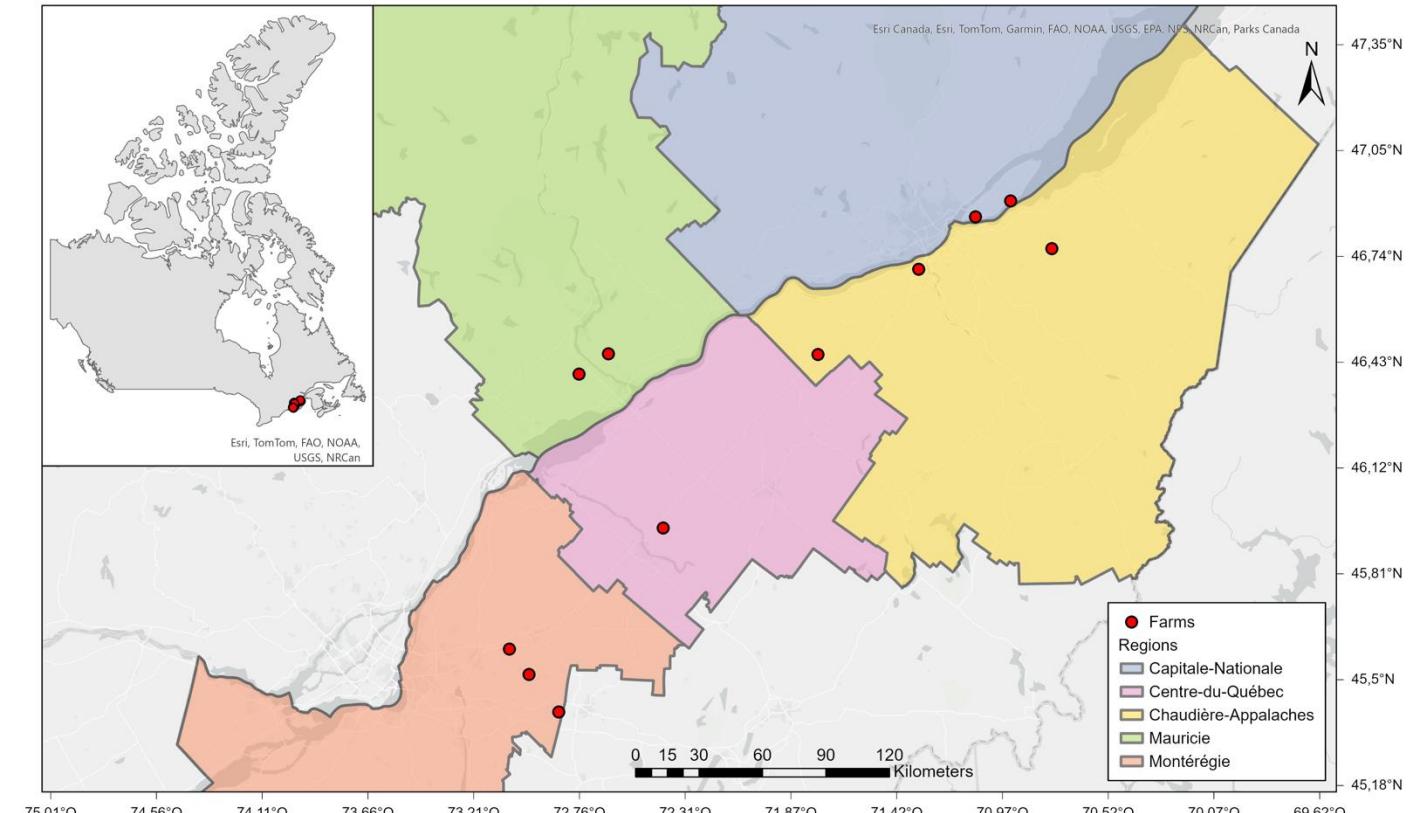
Predictive Tools for Informed Decisions

Since 1996, the Oregon IPM Center has been developing and maintaining a weather and climate driven decision support website to aid pest management and related agricultural needs. Using weather data from over 29,000 weather stations from 100s of weather networks, we now host nearly 150 predictive pest and disease models to help growers know when and where to act.





2021-2024:
+ 120 000
120 Species

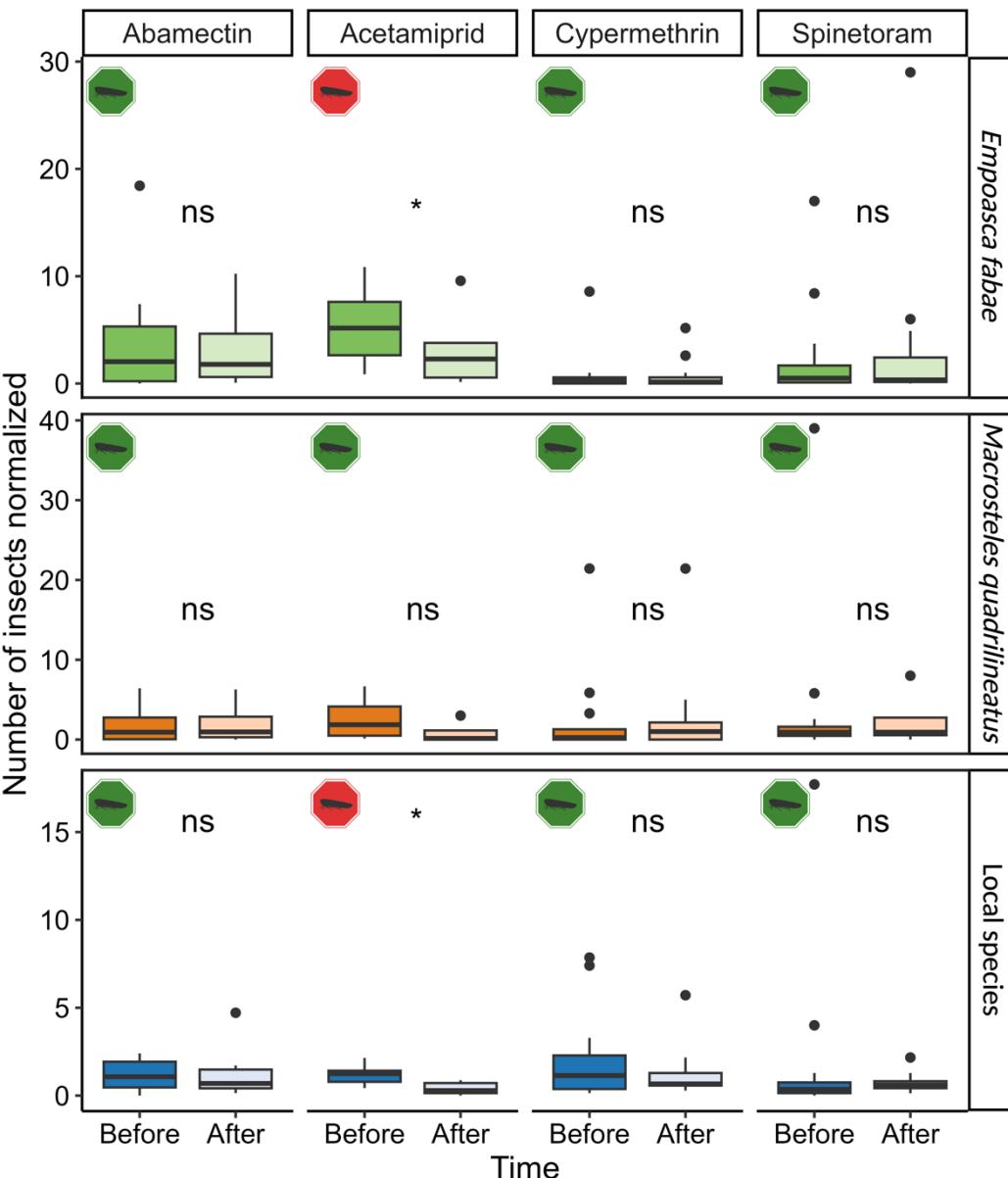
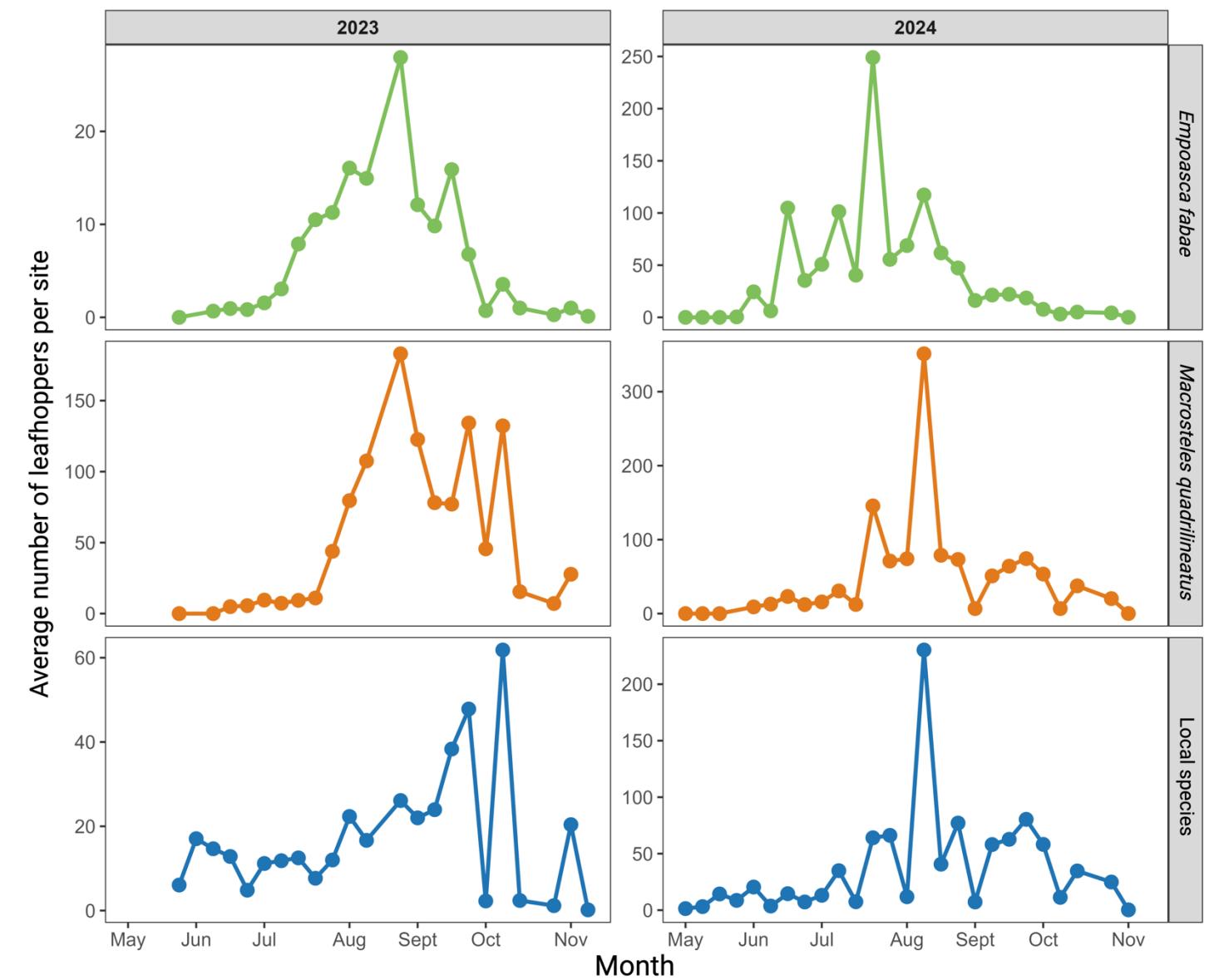


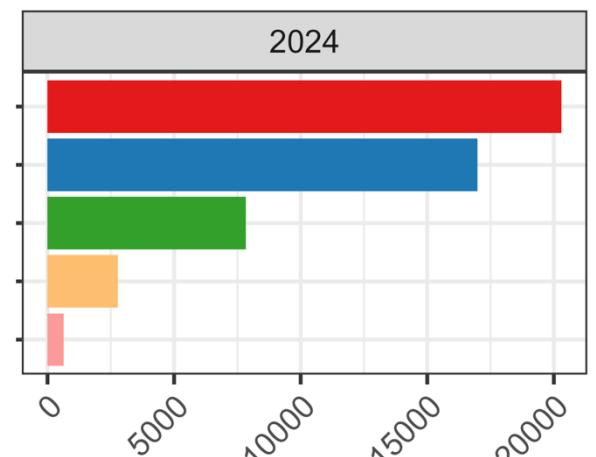
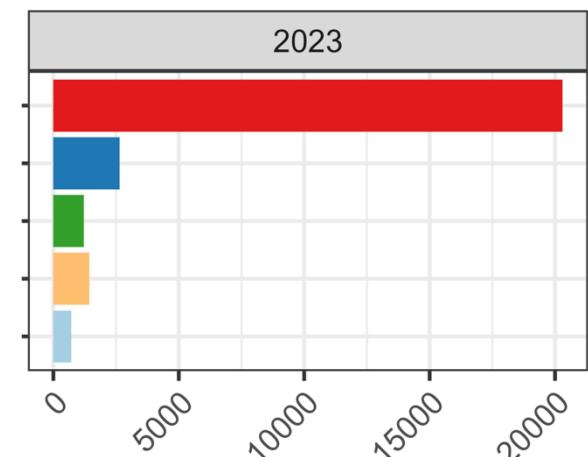
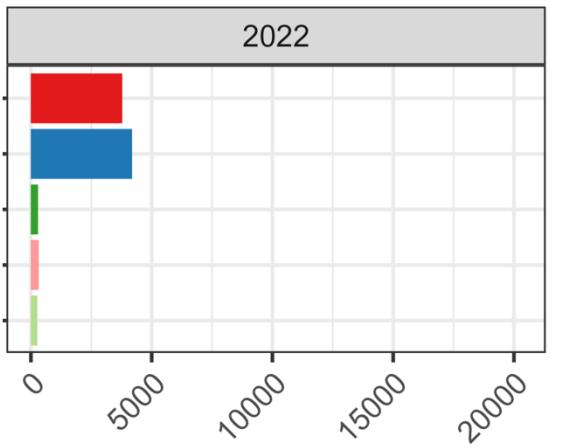
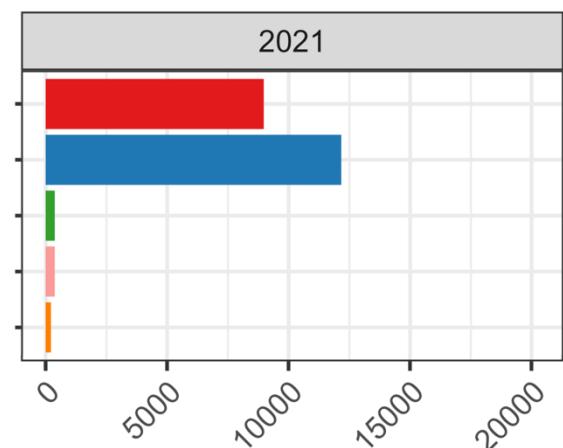
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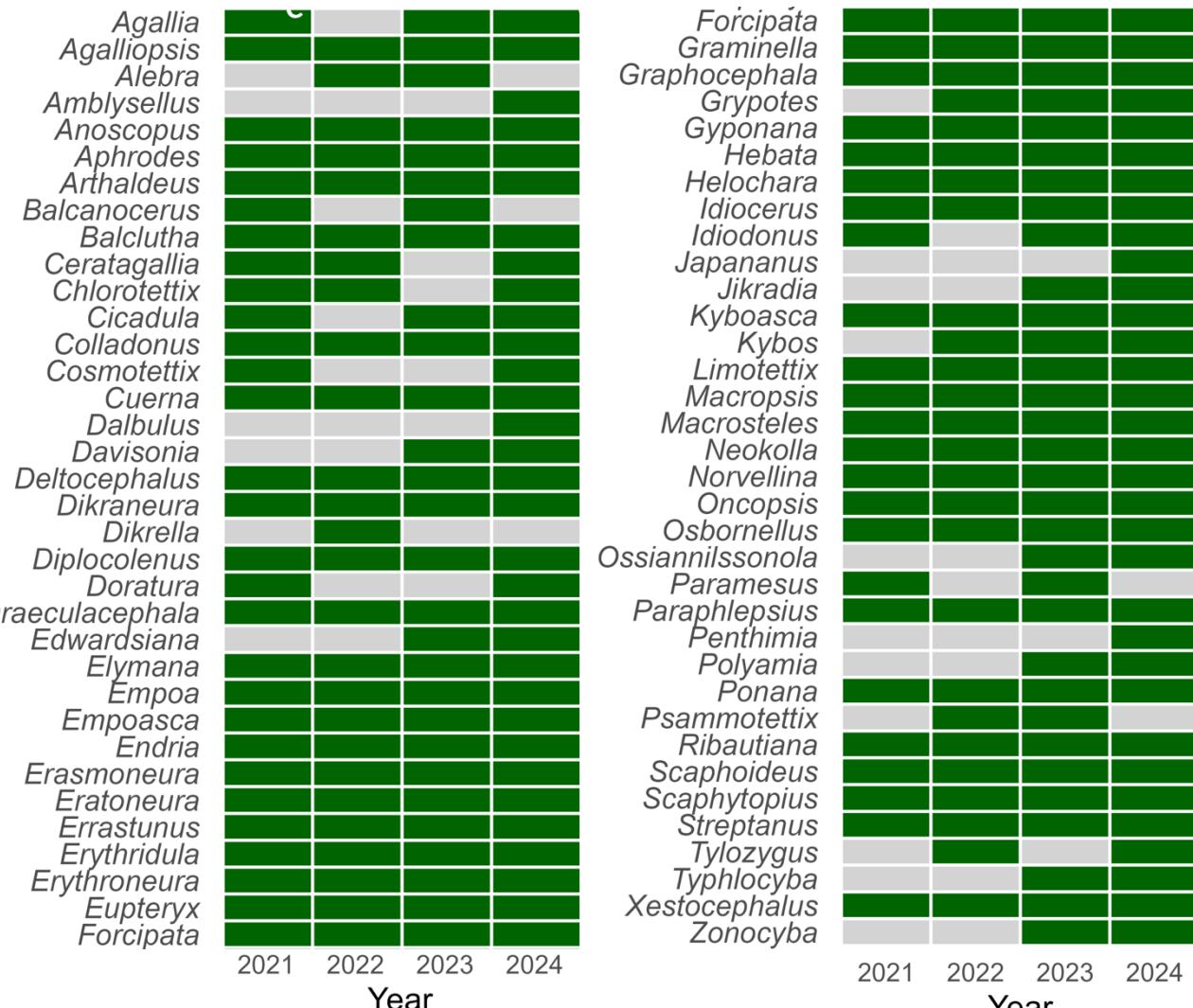
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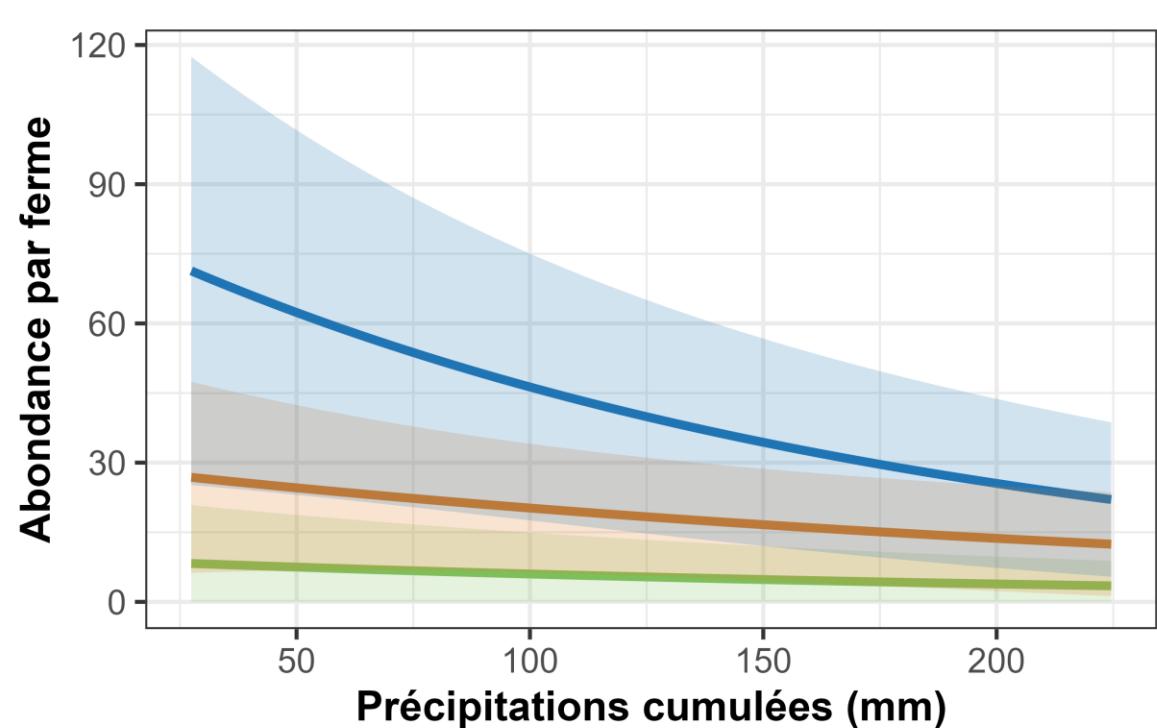
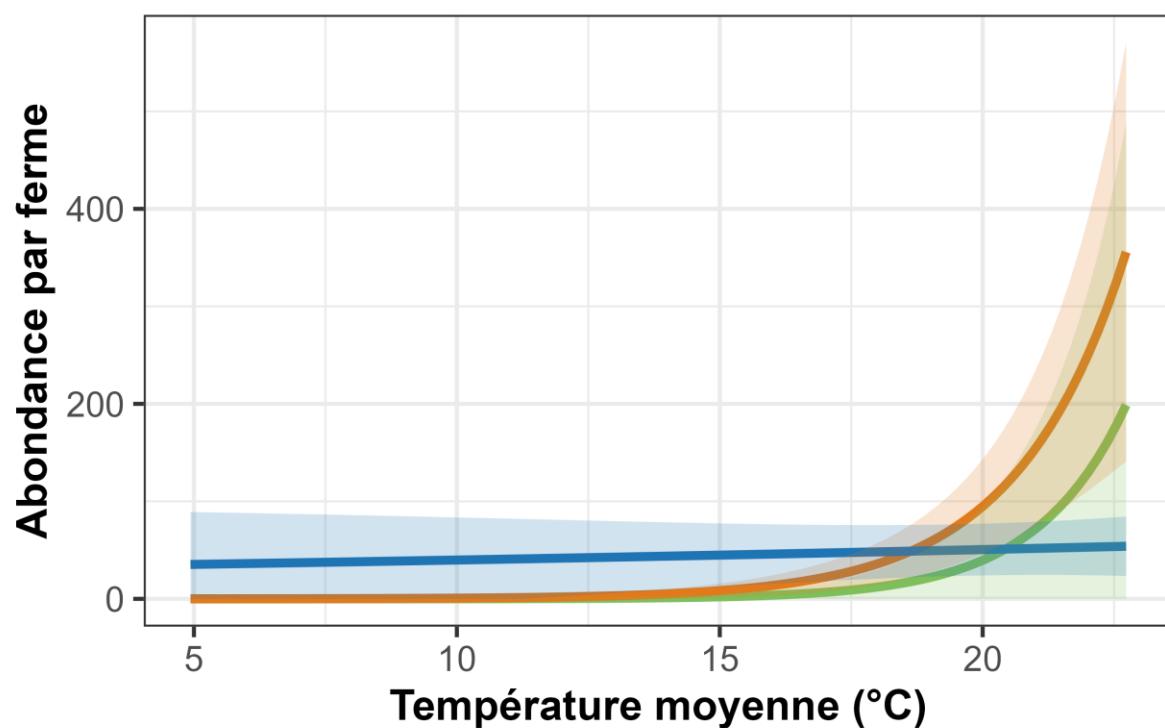


■ *Macrosteles* ■ *Empoasca*



2021 2022 2023 2024
Year

2021 2022 2023 2024
Year



■ Empoasca fabae ■ Macrosteles quadrilineatus ■ Local spec

■ Empoasca fabae ■ Macrosteles quadrilineatus ■ Local spec



***Japananus hyalinus* (cicadelle de l'érable)**

- Très peu d'observations jusqu'à maintenant au Québec
- Se nourrit principalement des érables
- Espèce asiatique introduite au Canada
- Quelques observations rapportées en Ontario

Est-ce que ce type d'introductions peut causer de grands dommages et des pertes économiques ?

Alabama, aout 2025






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Potential impact of climate change on Nearctic leafhopper distribution and richness in North America

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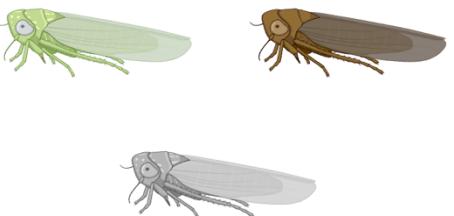
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Climate change significantly contributes to shifts in the geographical range of pests and diseases. Leafhoppers (Hemiptera: Cicadellidae), known vectors of phytoplasmas pathogens, are linked to the transmission of more than 600 diseases affecting a thousand plant species worldwide. Despite this, the potential effects of climate change on leafhopper vectors of phytoplasmas remain a critical knowledge gap. To address this gap, our study investigated the potential impact of climate change on 14 species of Nearctic leafhoppers previously associated with phytoplasma-related diseases. Using the MaxEnt species distribution algorithm and other ecological niche modeling techniques, we assessed (i) the expected species richness under current climate conditions and four future scenarios and (ii) the environmental niche similarity among these species across these scenarios. Our projections suggest that the eastern region of North America holds the potential for the highest species richness, a trend expected to persist across all future scenarios, gradually expanding eastward. Notably, our findings indicate the increasing suitability of northern Canada for more species. Network analysis further revealed a remarkable similarity in environmental niches among most leafhopper species. Moreover, across the four future scenarios, there is a tendency for an increase in this similarity. Altogether, our study underscores the potential persistent presence of Nearctic leafhoppers in their current habitats while pointing to a shift toward northern North America in future scenarios. These findings have significant implications for sustainable pest management practices, prompting a necessary discussion on strategies to mitigate climate change and pest migration's impact on agricultural systems.

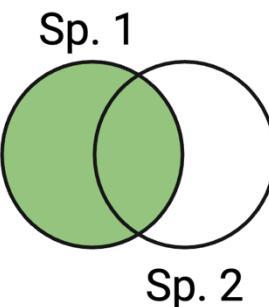
Climate change significantly contributes to alterations in species distributions, prompting shifts in their geographic ranges^{1,2}. Over the past six decades, crop pests and diseases have notably moved toward northern latitudes globally, progressing at ~2.7 km annually since 1960³. This phenomenon is primarily attributed to global warming and trade dynamics^{4,5}. However, the response of these organisms to the ongoing environmental changes is intricate and conditional upon various determinants, notably their geographic origins^{4,6}. Tropical pest species, for instance, typically exhibit a restricted tolerance to temperature variation and tend to live close to their maximum thermal limits^{4,7}. In contrast, temperate species contend with a broader spectrum of climate extremities, including temperature fluctuations⁸. As a result, projections suggest a potential reduction in the suitable habitats for tropical pest species with the anticipated progression of climate warming⁹. Conversely, a favorable trend is expected for temperate species, given their ability to adjust to more diverse climatic events^{4,6}.

Recently, the efforts to assess the impacts of climate change on biological systems have intensified¹⁰. Species distribution modeling (SDM), also known as ecological niche modeling (ENM), has risen as a crucial tool to explore the potential effects of climate change on the geographic distribution of organisms¹¹. However, within entomology, research efforts have predominantly centered around specific orders, such as Lepidoptera and Diptera, while comparatively less attention has been dedicated to others like Hemiptera¹². This bias may stem from the notorious role Lepidoptera plays in global research and the importance of Diptera as disease vectors for vertebrates¹³. However, Hemiptera also include significant plant disease vectors, causing substantial damage worldwide¹⁴. Increased research

Species occurrence records



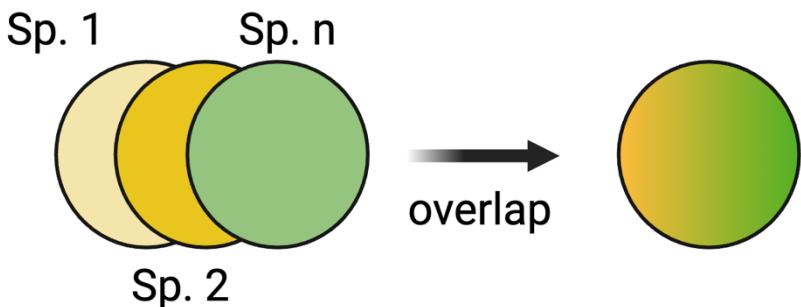
Niche overlap and similarity



Environmental variables



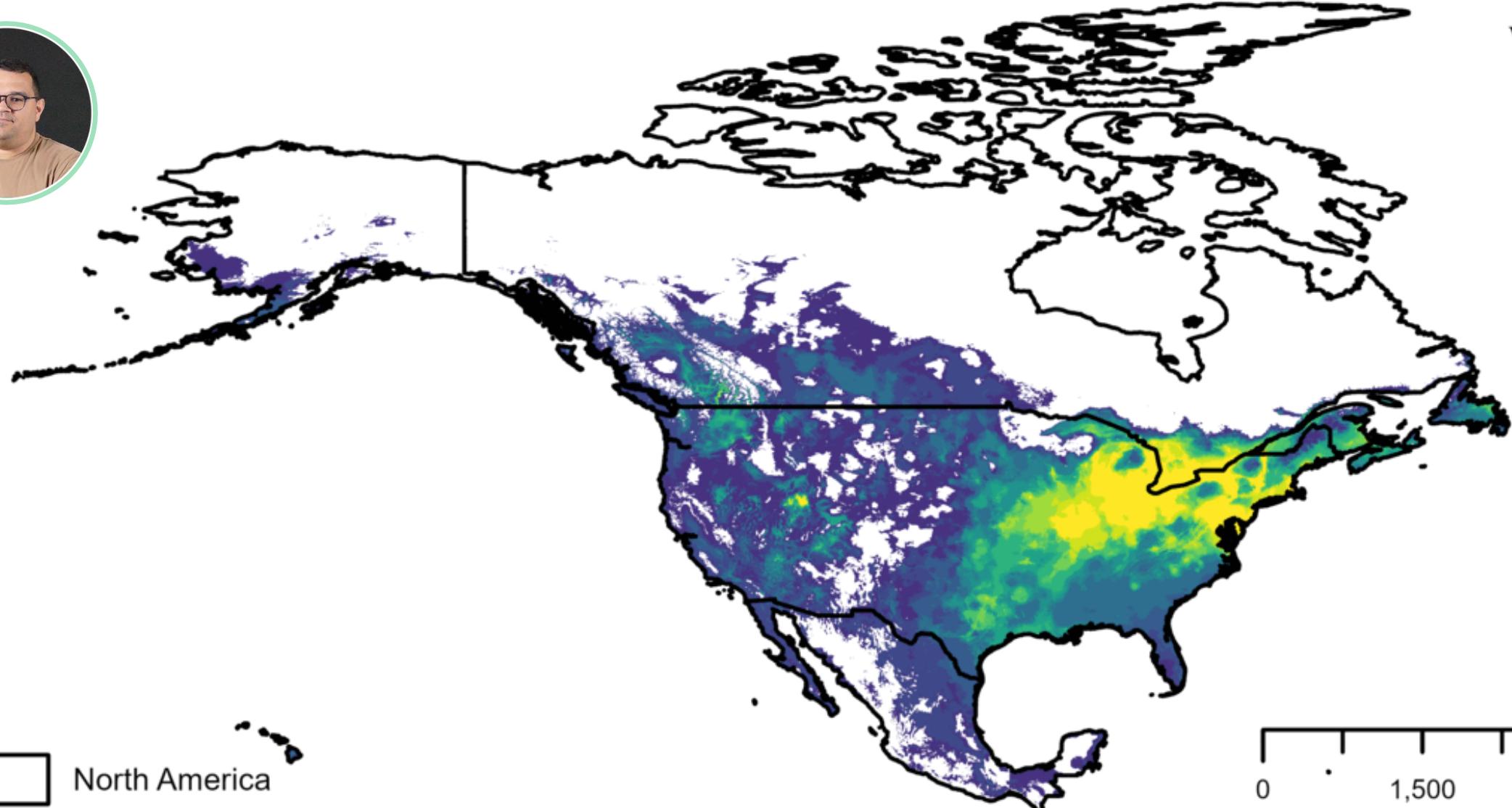
Species richness



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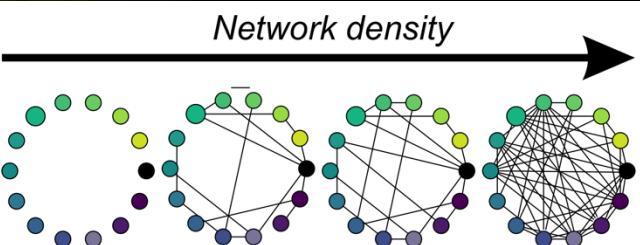
Leafhoppers and climate

Species richness

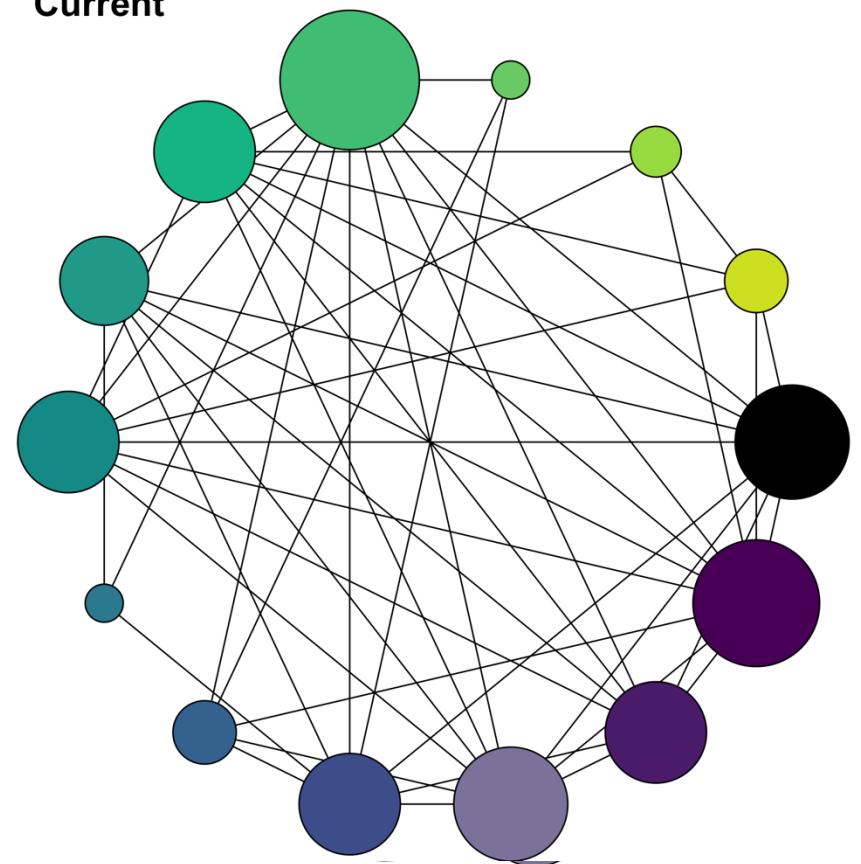


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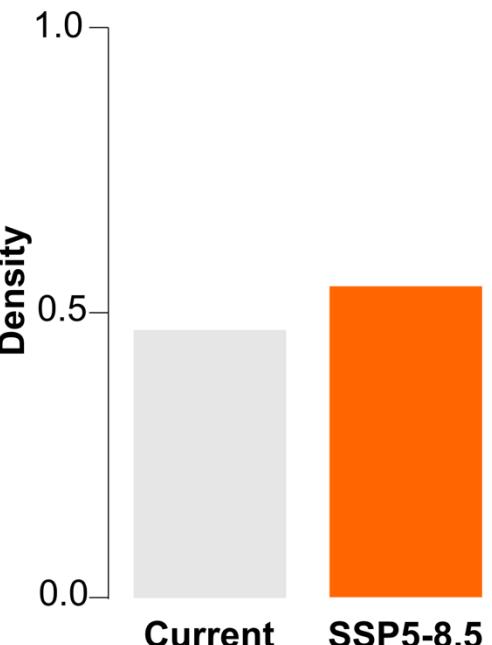
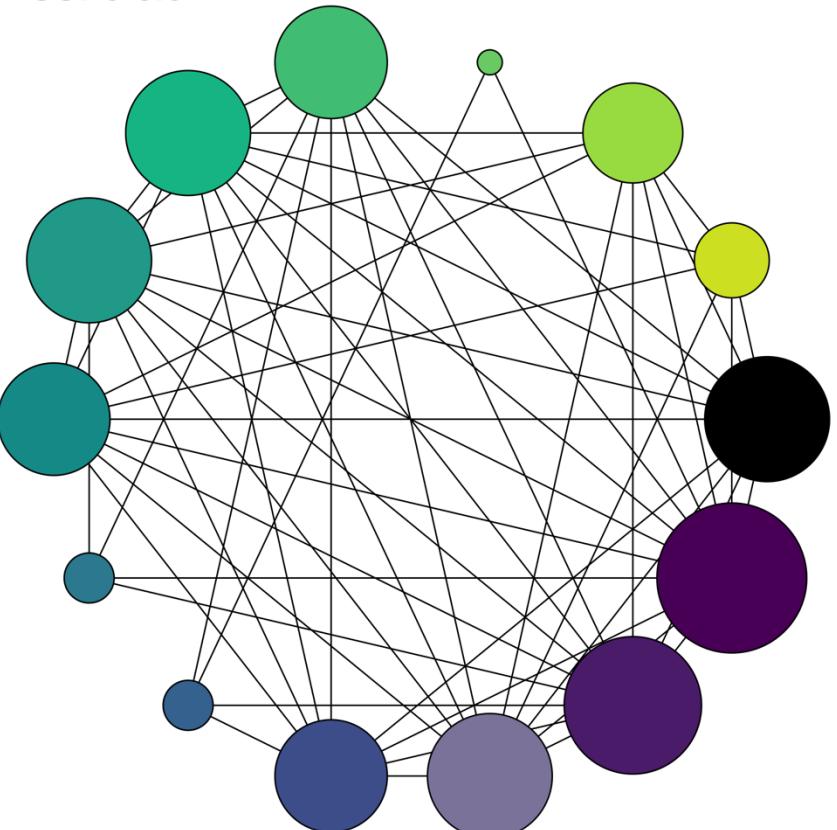
- *Amplicecephalus inimicus*
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- *Colladonus geminatus*
- *Edwardsiana rosae*
- *Empoasca fabae*
- *Erythroneura comes*
- *Erythroneura vitis*
- *Erythroneura ziczac*
- *Exitianus exitiosus*
- *Graphocephala fennahi*
- *Jikradia olitoria*
- *Macrosteles quadrilineatus*
- *Paraphlepsius irroratus*
- *Scaphoideus titanus*



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Population Ecology

Seasonal phenology of *Empoasca fabae* (Hemiptera: Cicadellidae) in Québec, Canada

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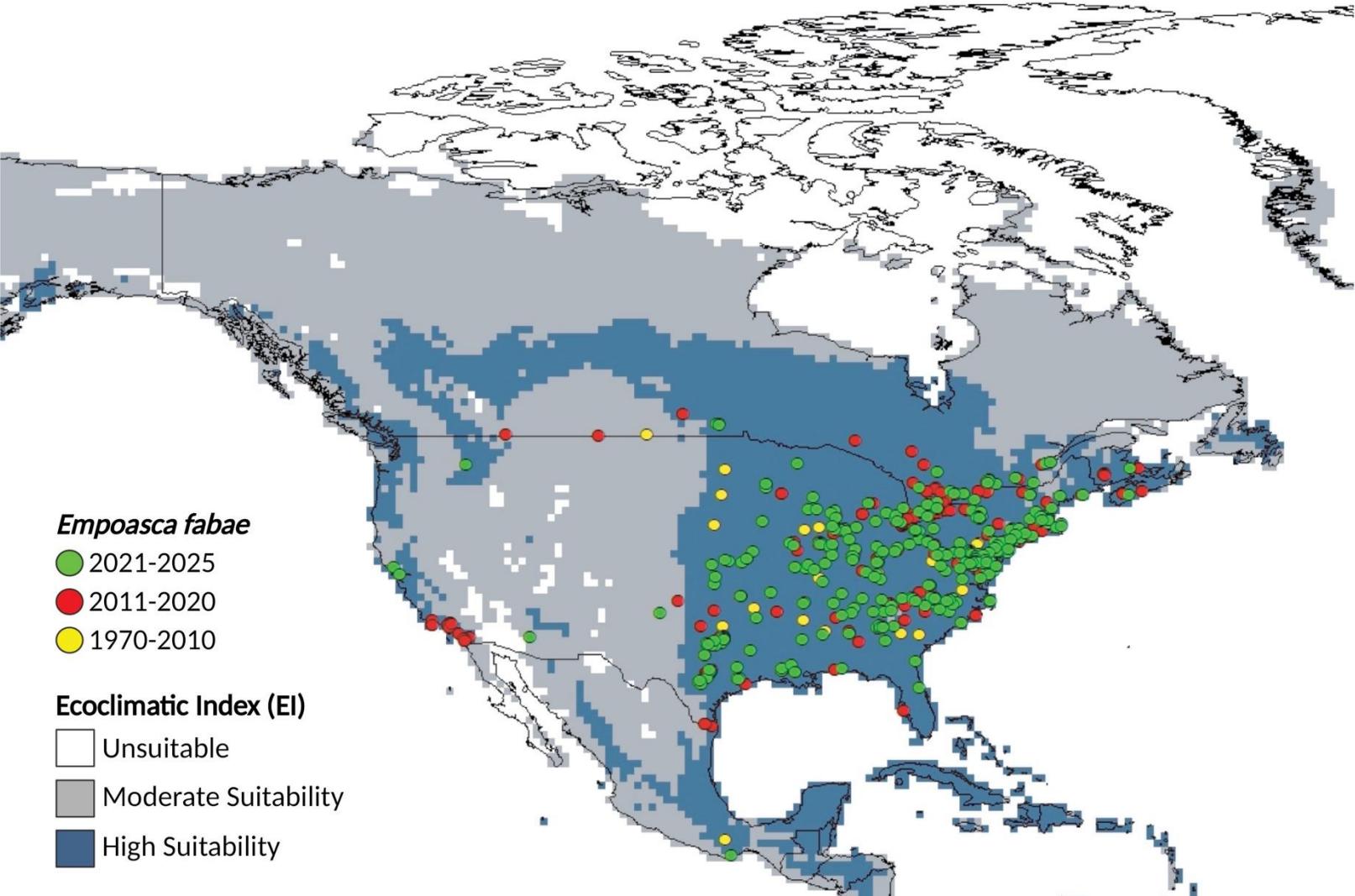
Climate change is reshaping insect population dynamics in North America, notably impacting the migratory pest *Empoasca fabae* (Harris) (Hemiptera: Cicadellidae). While its phenology is well studied in the United States, knowledge gaps exist regarding its dynamics in Eastern Canada, one of its northernmost migration areas. Our study integrates degree-day models, CLIMEX ecological niche modeling, and field-collected data from Québec to assess *E. fabae* seasonal phenology and monthly climatic suitability. Our results indicate that *E. fabae* completed one to two generations in Québec, with earlier emergence and higher generational potential in warmer southeastern regions compared to cooler northeastern regions. CLIMEX modeling showed that suitable climatic conditions for *E. fabae* growth begin in April, peak from May to September, and decline by November. First adult captures occurred from late May to early June, with population peaks in June–July and a decrease by September. Observed adult peaks occurred earlier than predicted by degree-day models, suggesting that additional environmental factors, such as wind patterns and host plant availability, influence early-season population dynamics. This study provides a comprehensive understanding of *E. fabae* phenology in Québec and highlights the importance of incorporating regional climate to predict population trends. Further research on diapause onset, late-season persistence, and migration patterns is needed to refine predictive models and inform pest management strategies in Québec. Understanding these factors will be essential in mitigating potential economic impacts amid ongoing climate change.

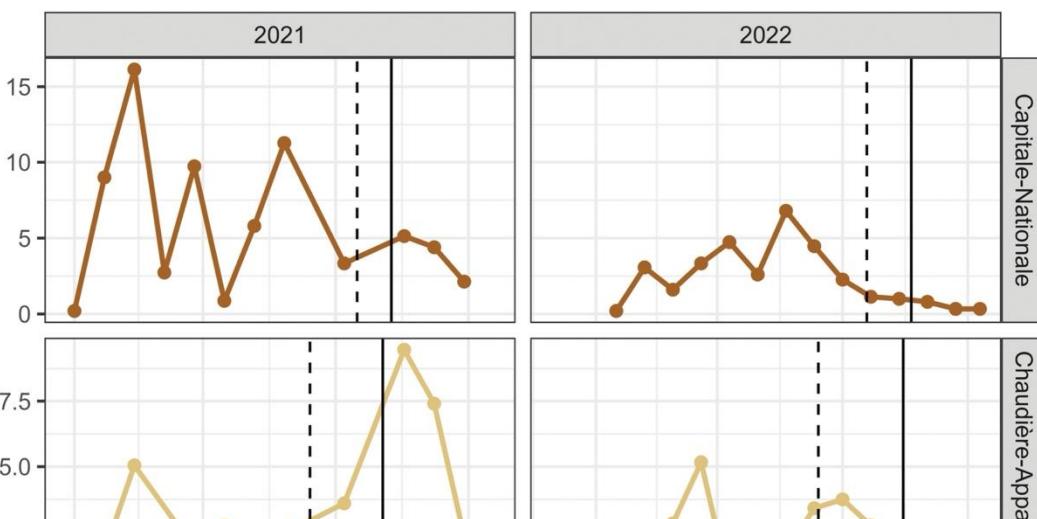
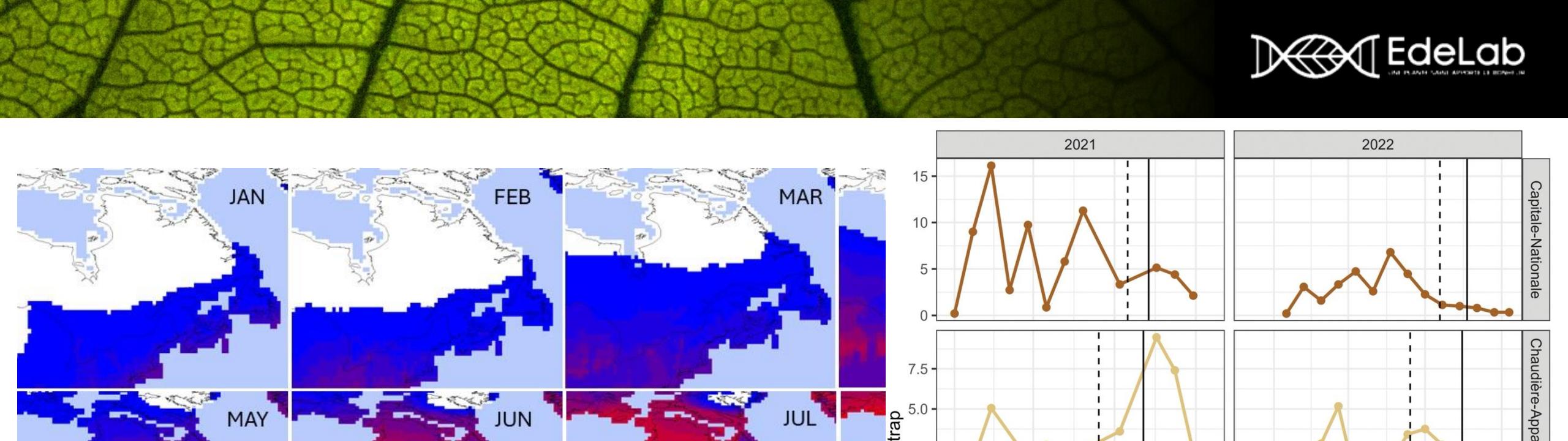
Keywords: leafhoppers, degree-days, species distribution model, migration

Introduction

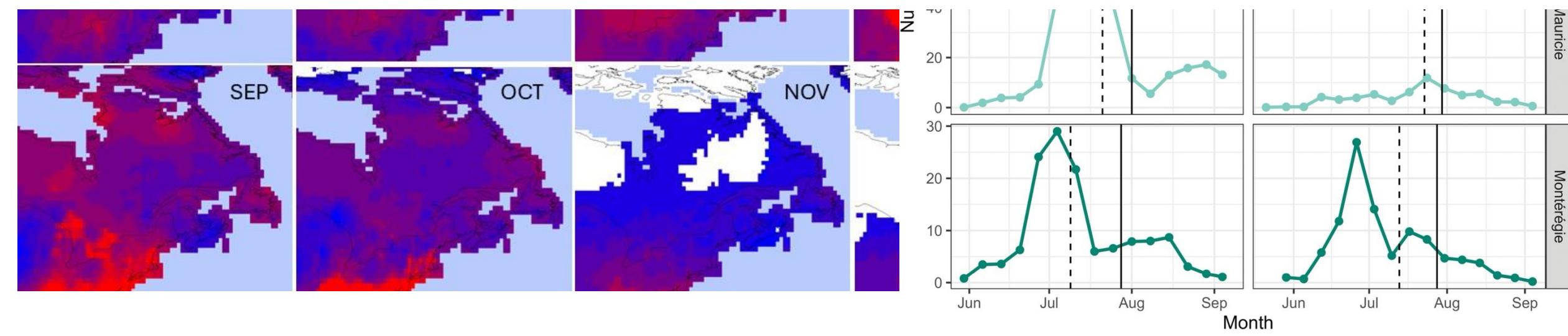
Ongoing climate change is reshaping insect population dynamics in North America, particularly through shifts in overwintering ranges and seasonal phenology, with diverse consequences depending on species and life history (Maredia et al. 1998, Baker et al. 2015, Walter et al. 2018, Lawton et al. 2022). *Empoasca fabae* (Harris)

(Hemiptera: Cicadellidae), the potato leafhopper, is a migratory insect pest species native to North America (DeLong, 1938; Ross et al. 1964) whose phenology is likely influenced by these changes. For instance, increased temperatures have led to the earlier arrival of *E. fabae* in northern areas of the United States (USA) and increased crop damage (Maredia et al. 1998, Baker et al. 2015). Although evidence of effects on overwintering populations is growing, it remains unclear

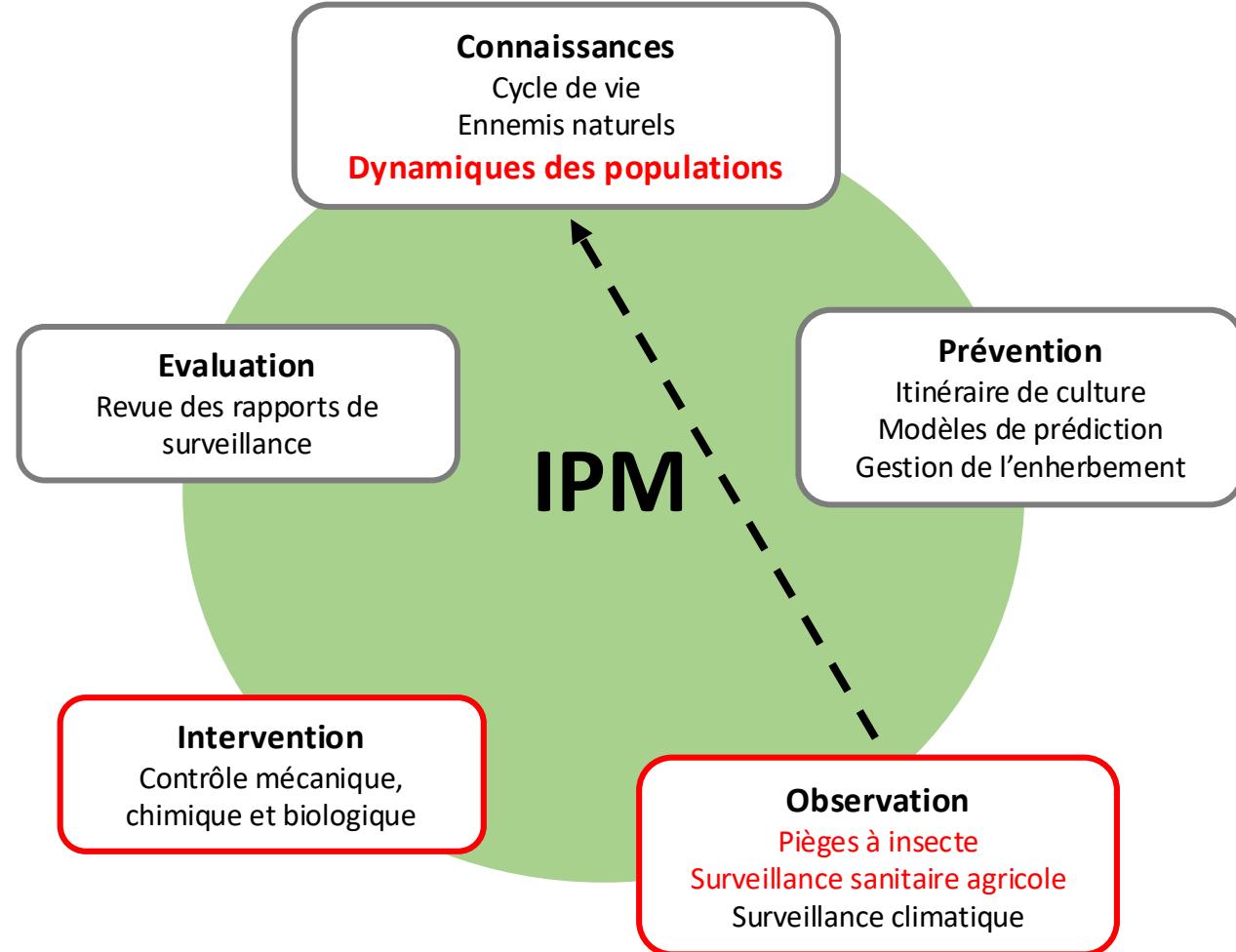




La modélisation continue ...



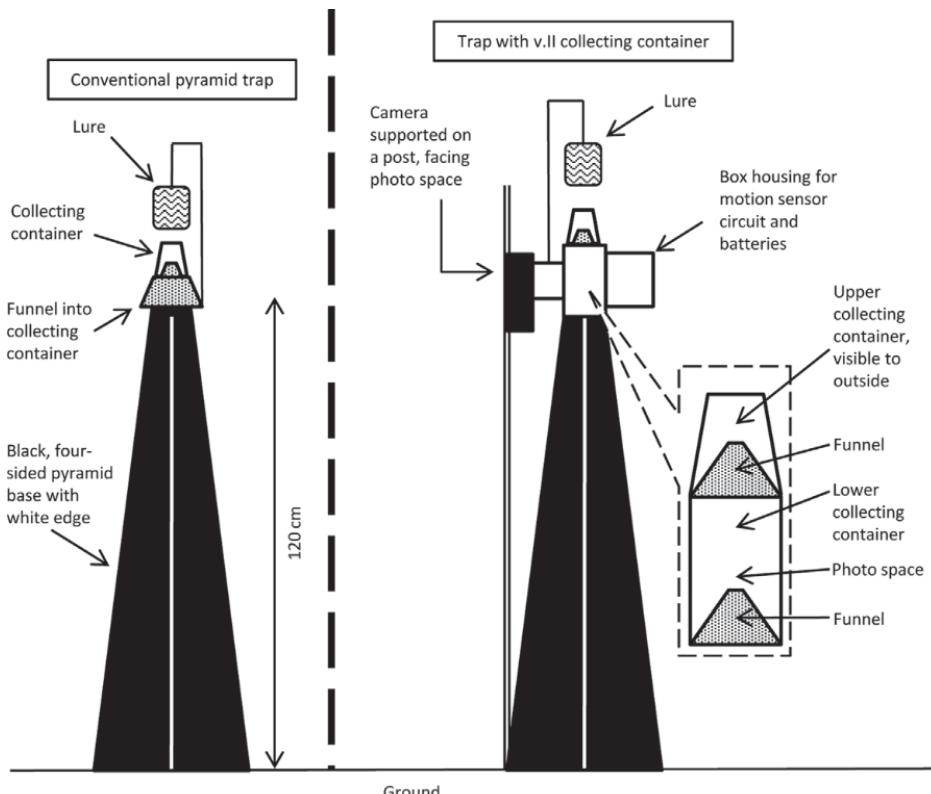
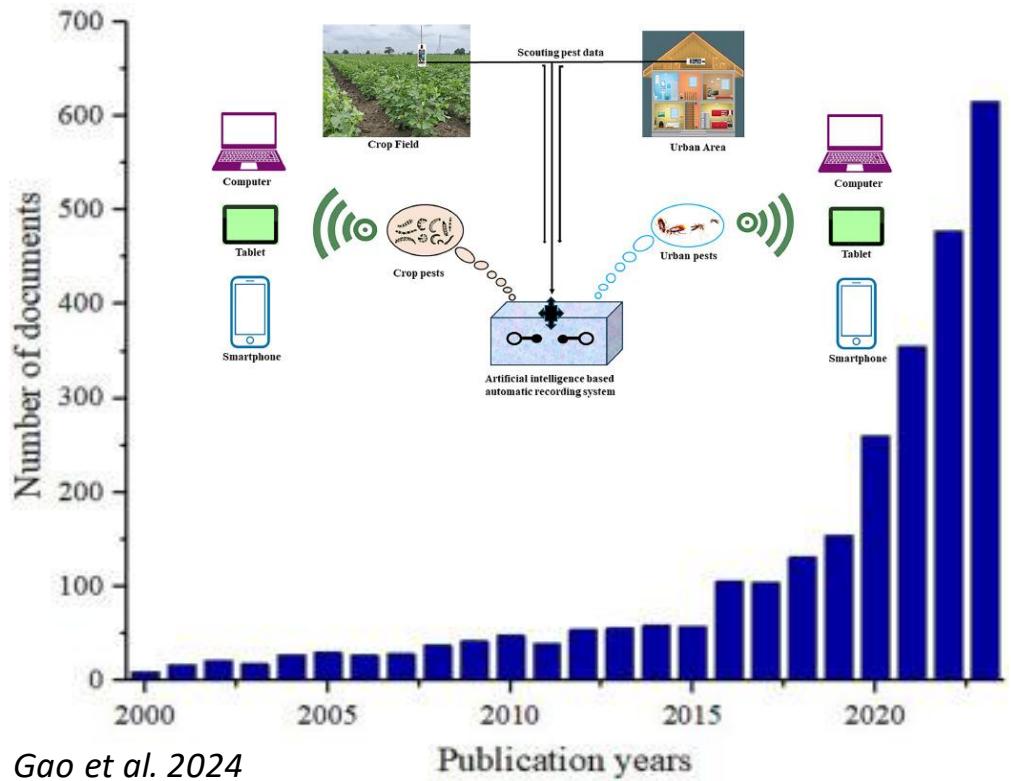
Limites de la surveillance traditionnelle des insectes



- Faible résolution temporelle et spatiale
 - Expertise entomologique



Retard de l'appréhension des pressions de ravageurs

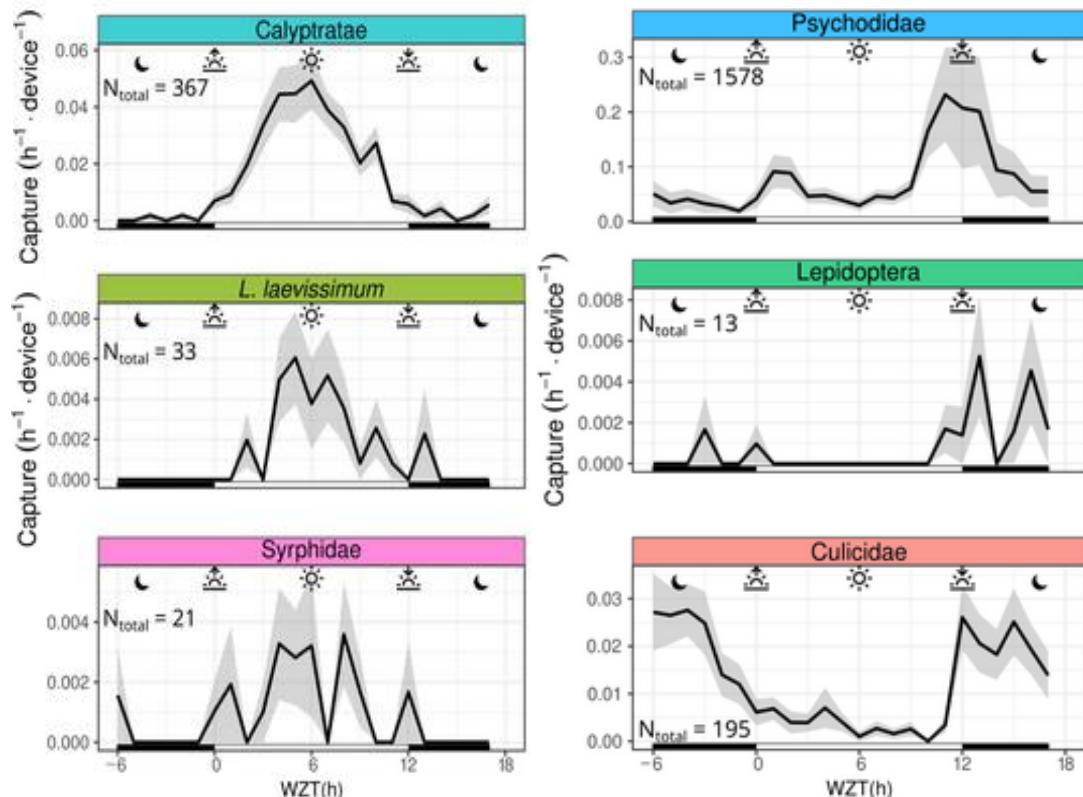


Selby et al. 2014





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Adapté de Geissman et al. 2022

- **Limites économiques:** coût des pièges, abonnement
- **Limites algorithmiques:** validation humaine nécessaire
- **Limites techniques:** Autonomie énergétique, qualité des images, résilience environnementale
- **Limite de déploiement à grande échelle**

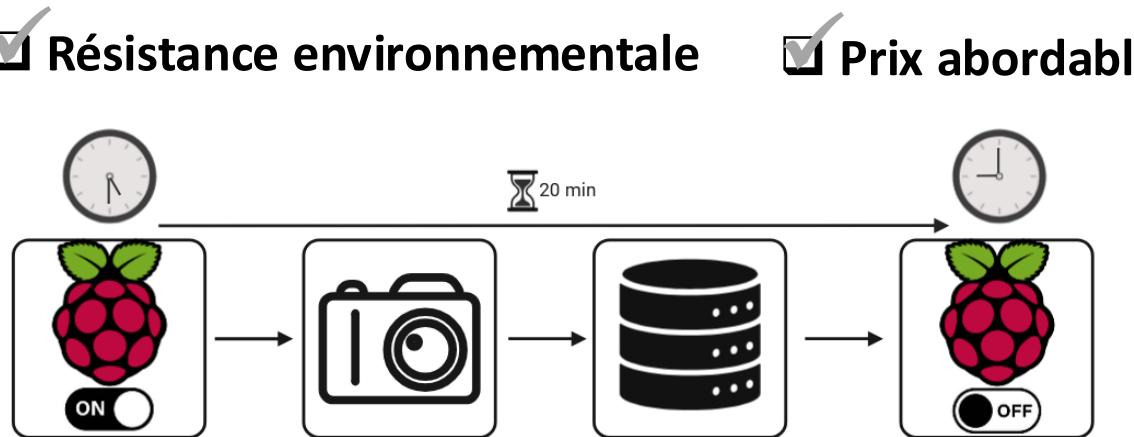
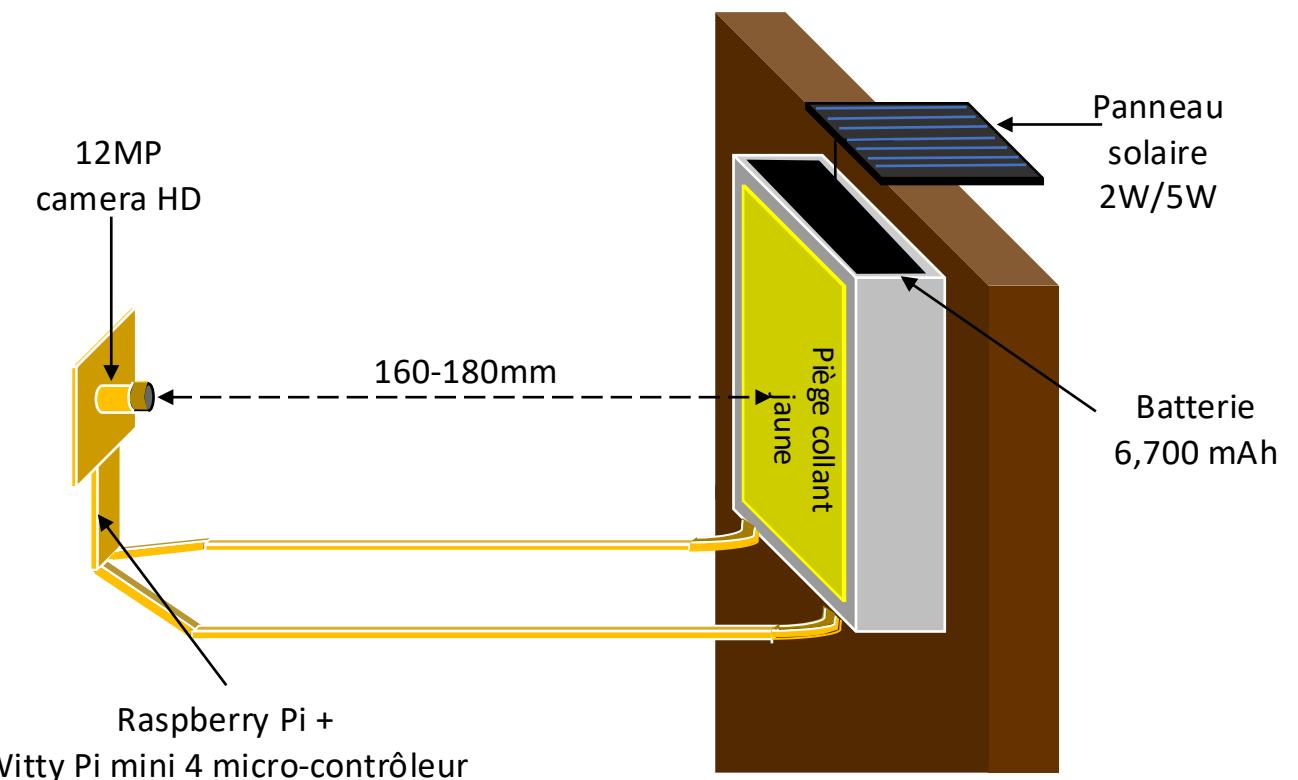


Images de haute qualité

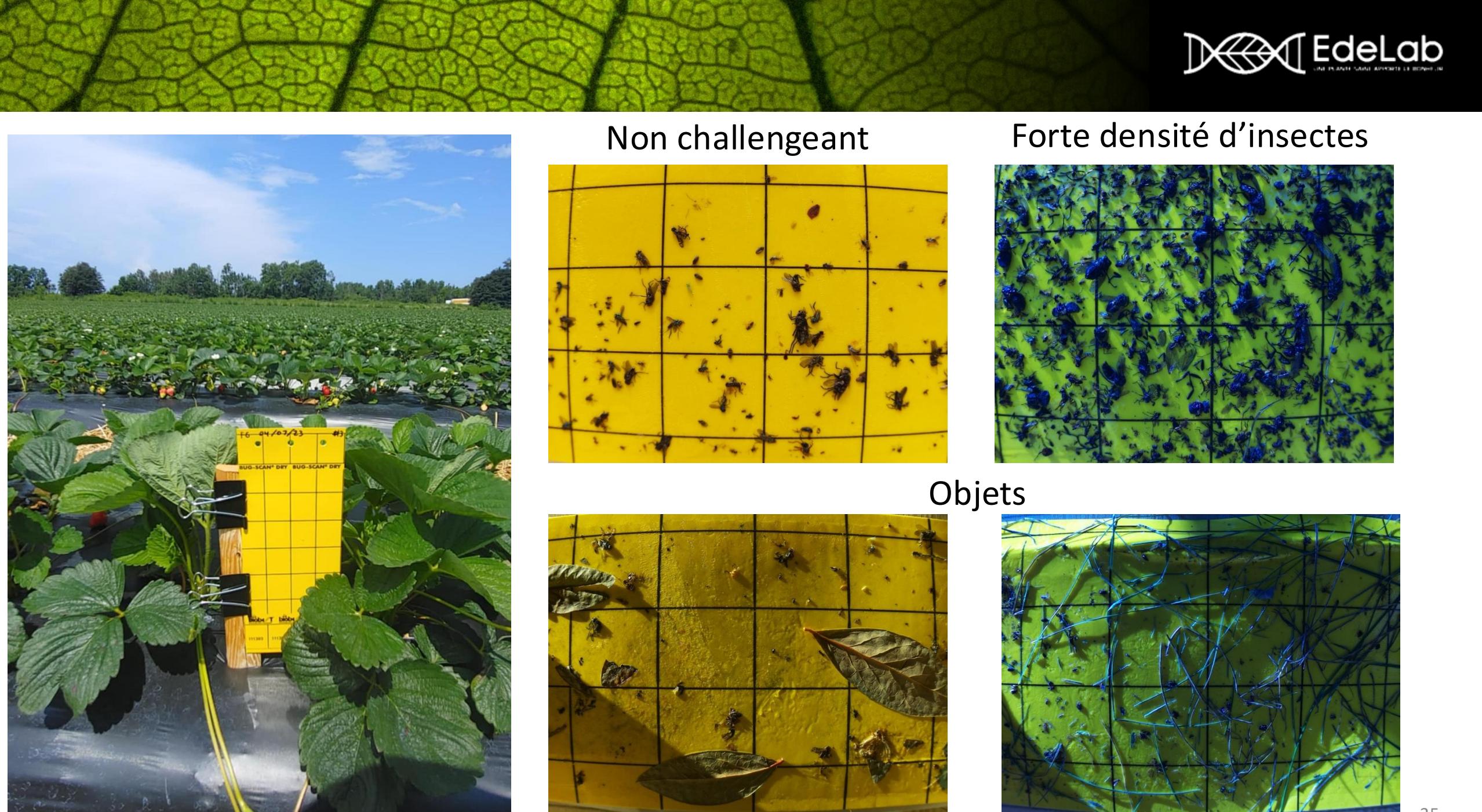
Efficacité énergétique

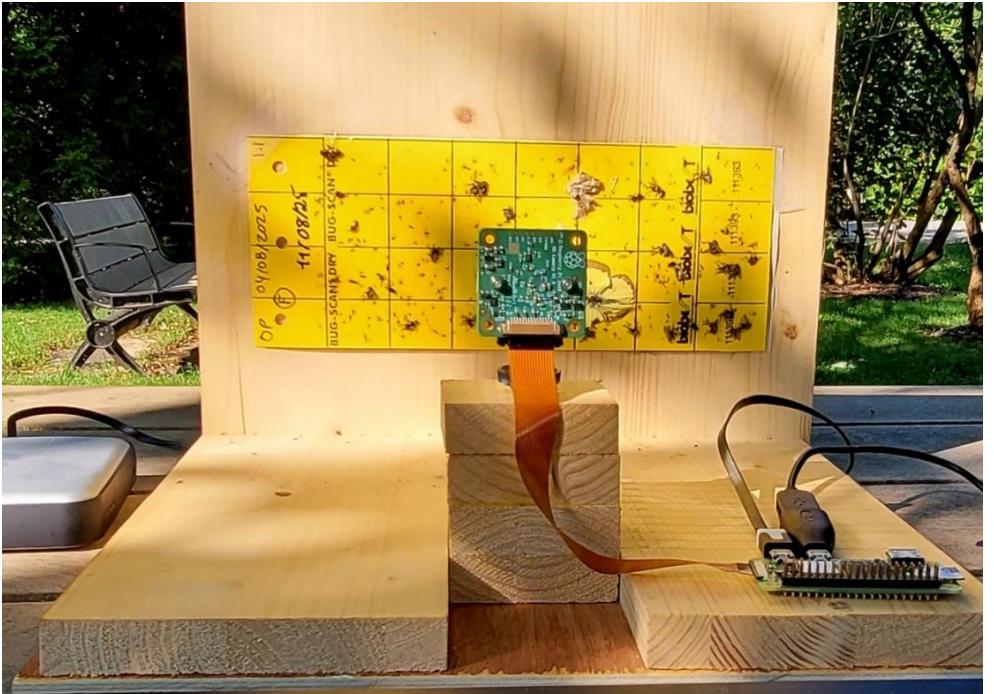
Résistance environnementale

Prix abordable

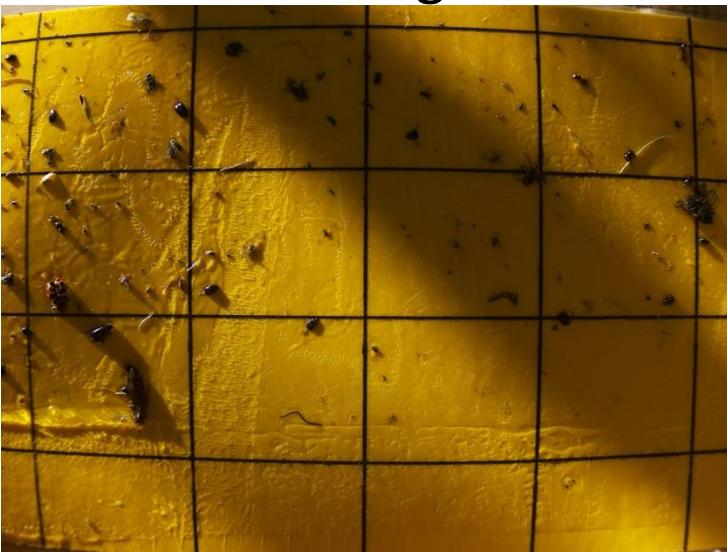


Paramètres	Fréquence
Fréquence d'acquisition	Toutes les 20 minutes
Changement des pièges	Tous les 7 jours
Autonomie de la batterie seule	Environ 12 jours
Autonomie de la batterie avec panneau solaire	Variable selon la météo

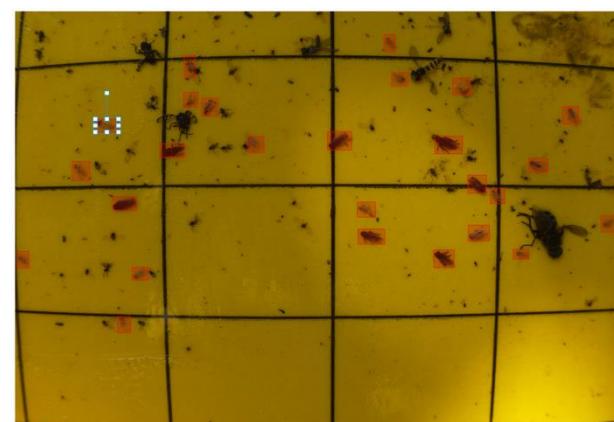
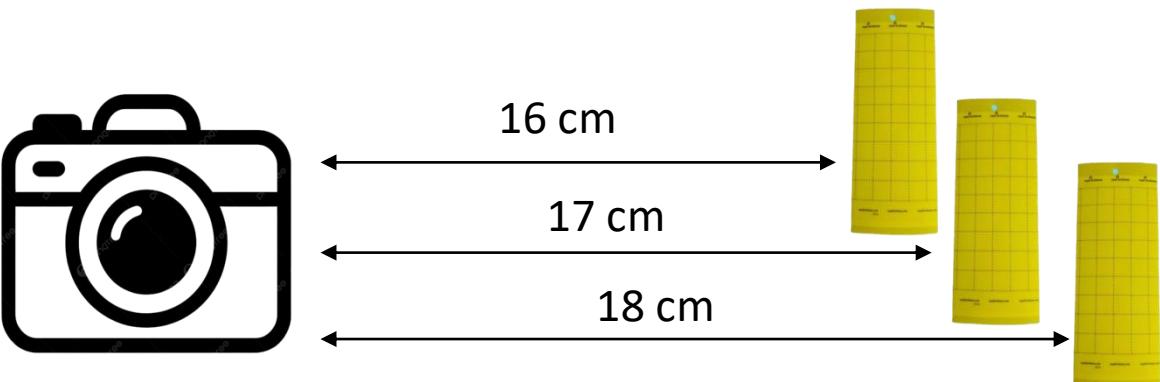
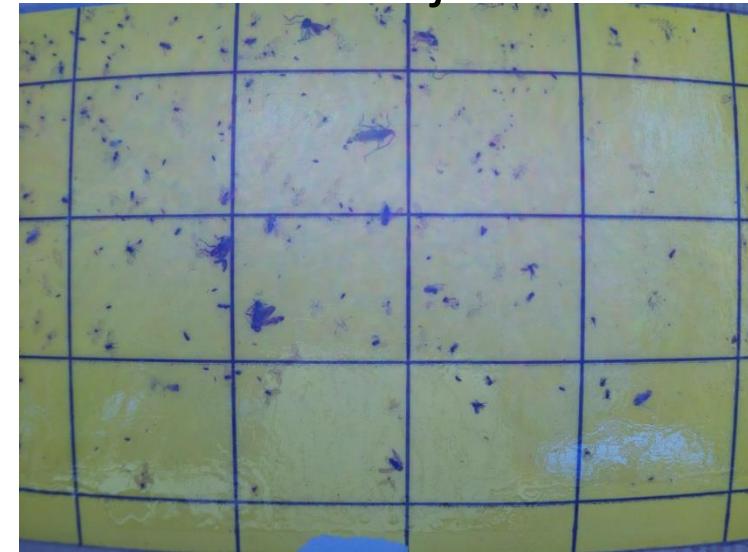




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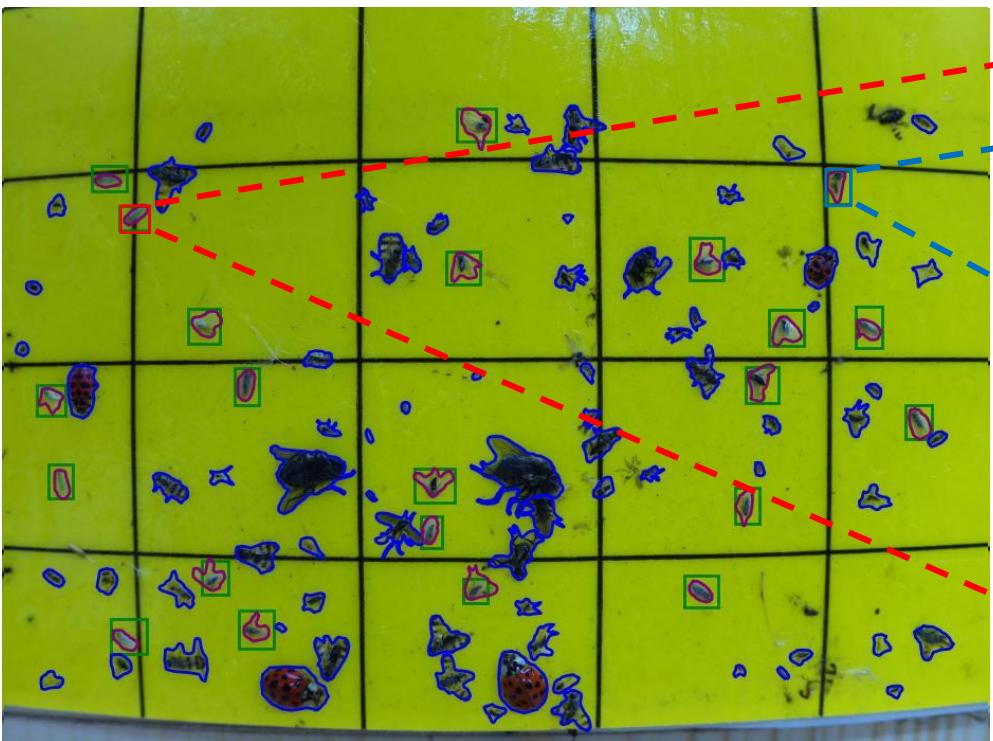
Contre-jour



 **Label Studio**



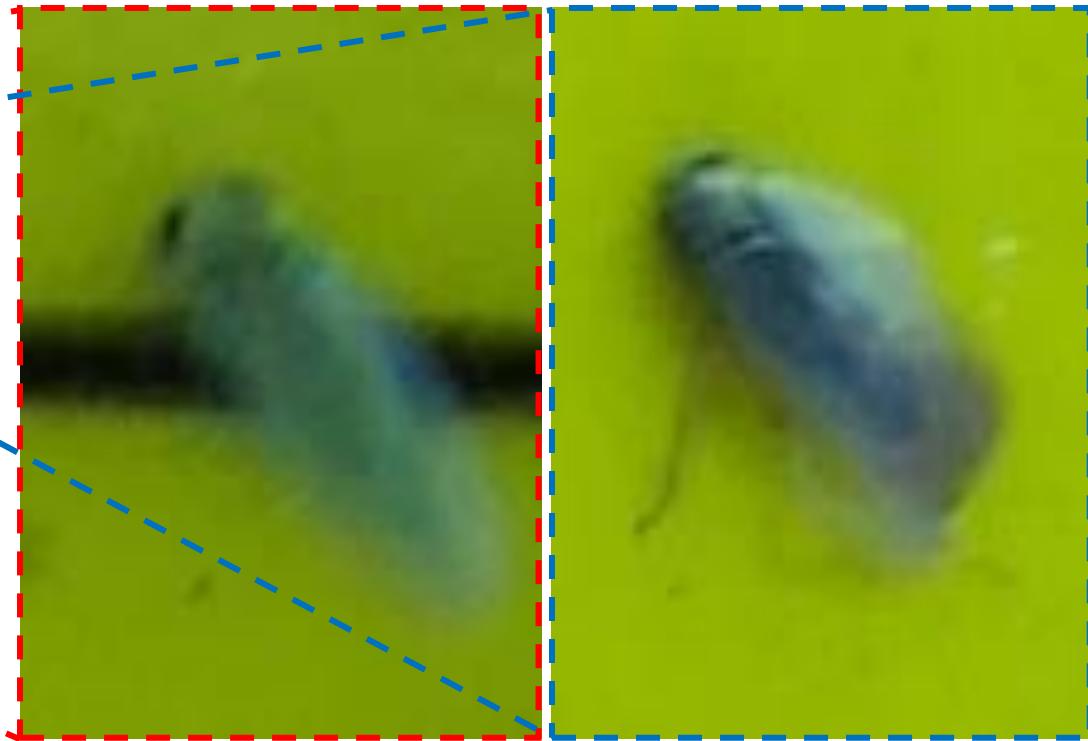
Développement de l'algorithme



Détection des insectes(*flatbug*)

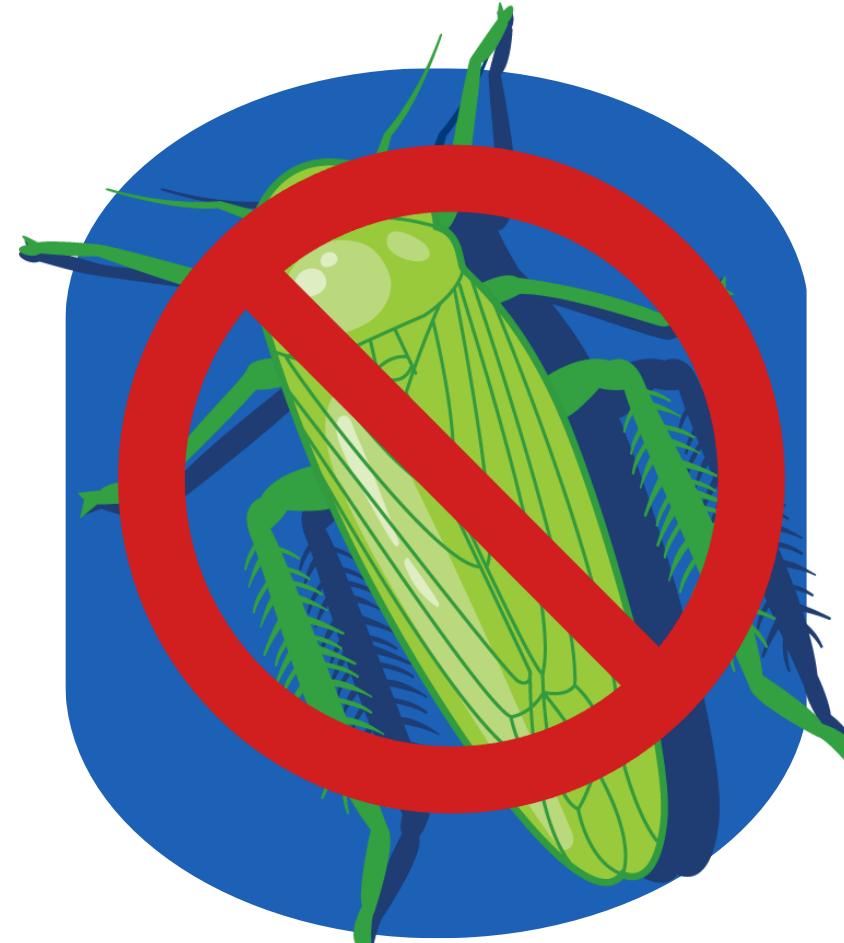
Niveau taxonomique 1

- *E. fabae*
- *M. quadrilineatus*
- Cicadelles non migratrices
- Autre insecte



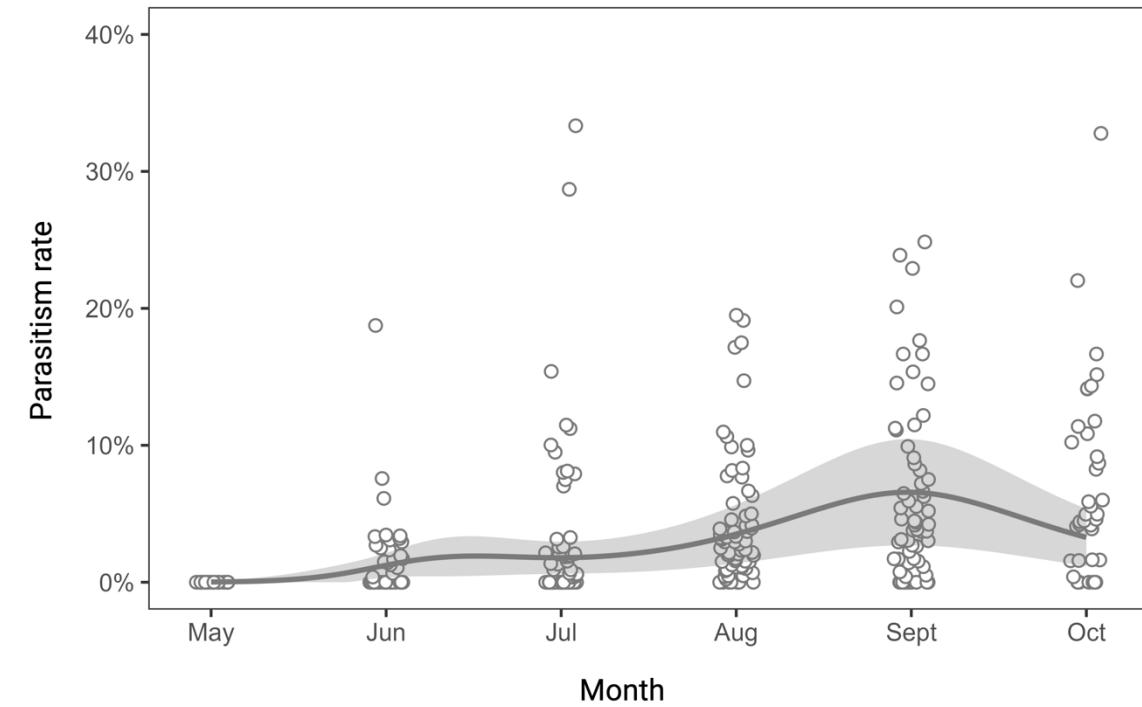
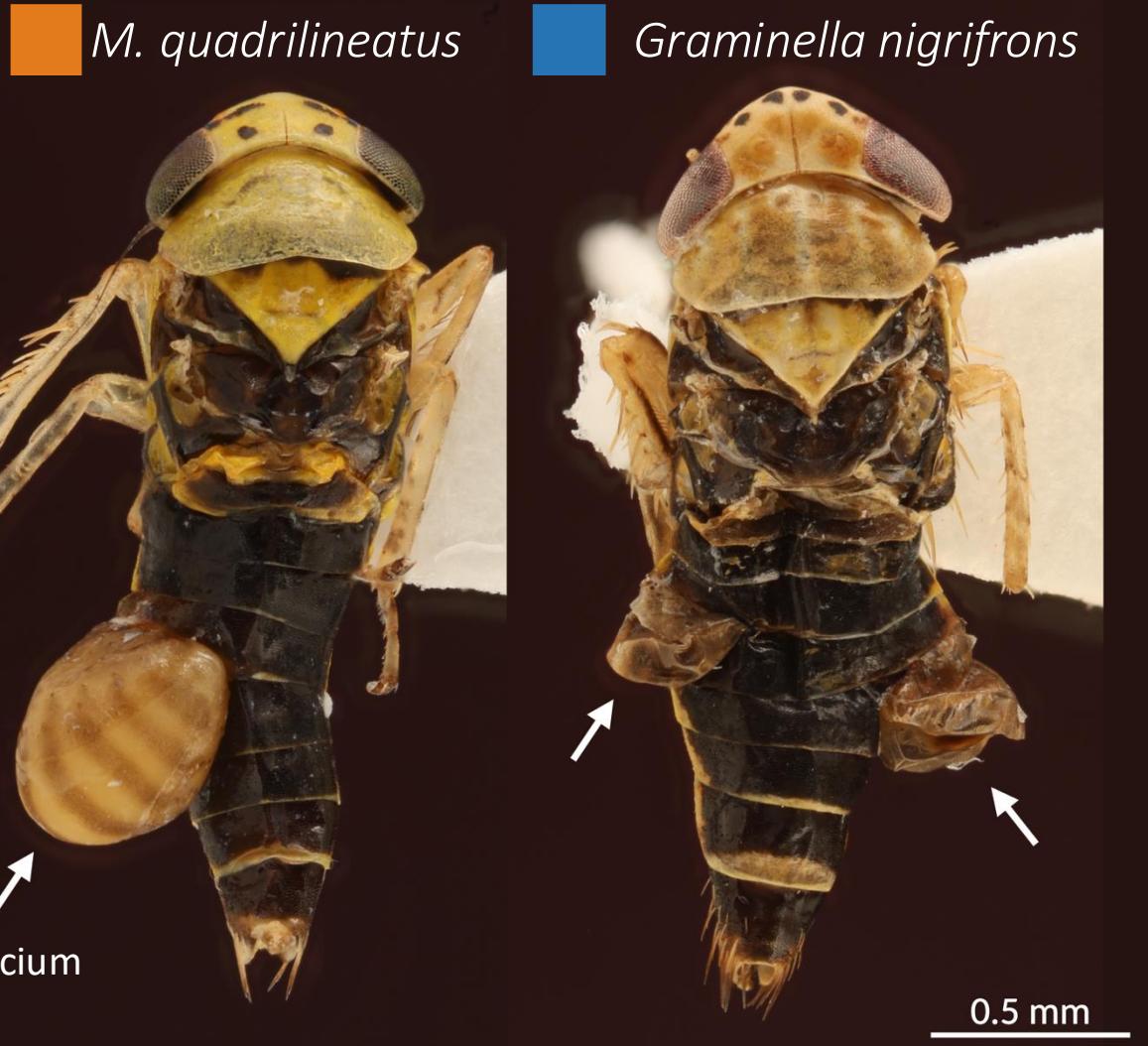
Classification des cicadelles:
EfficientNet, Transformeurs de vision

Sous-familles
(10 groupes)



Comment contrôler les cicadelles?

Parasitoïdes vs Cicadelles





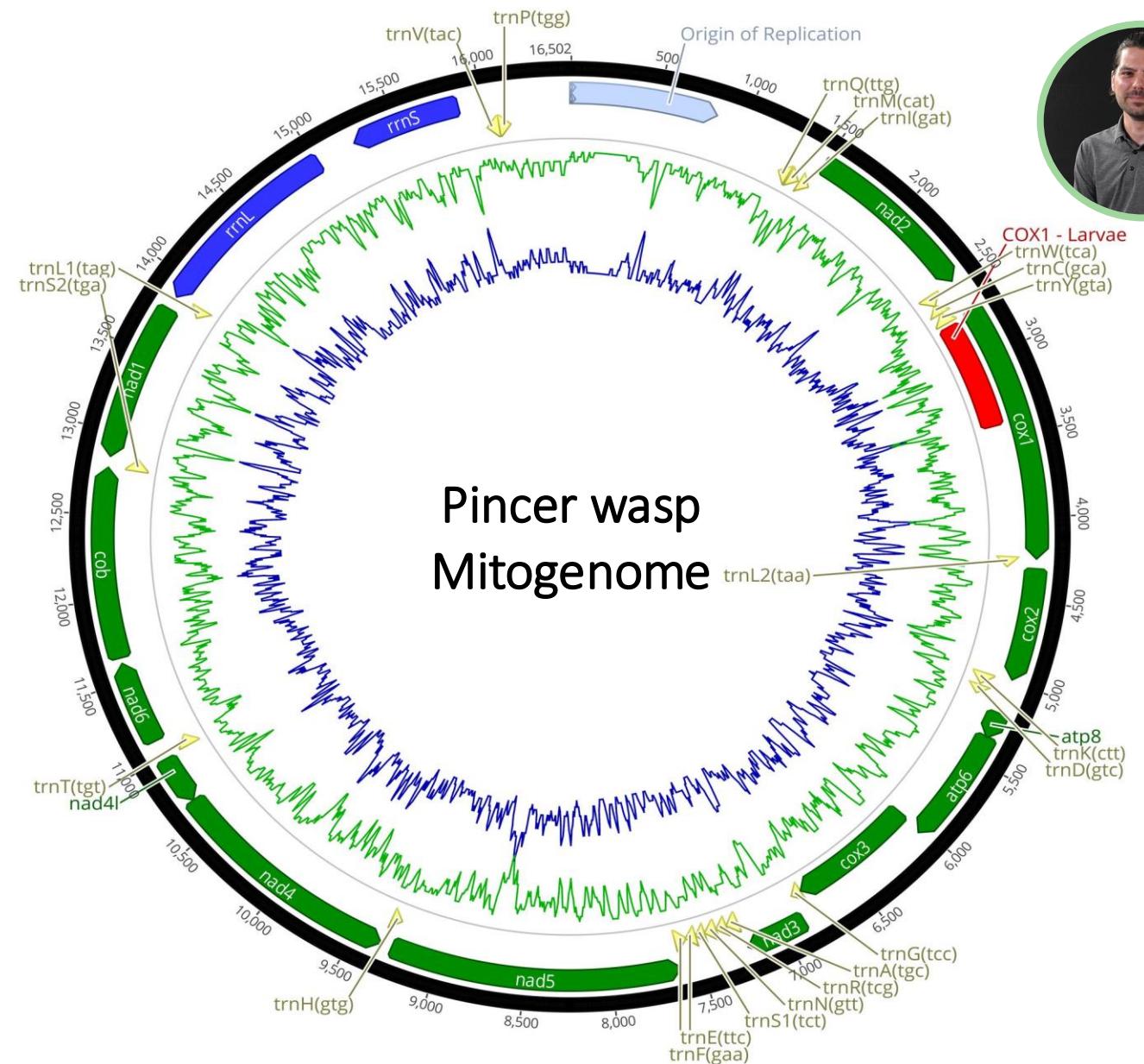
Fulgore tacheté
(*Lycorma delicatula*)

30% parasitisme par *Anastatus orientalis*

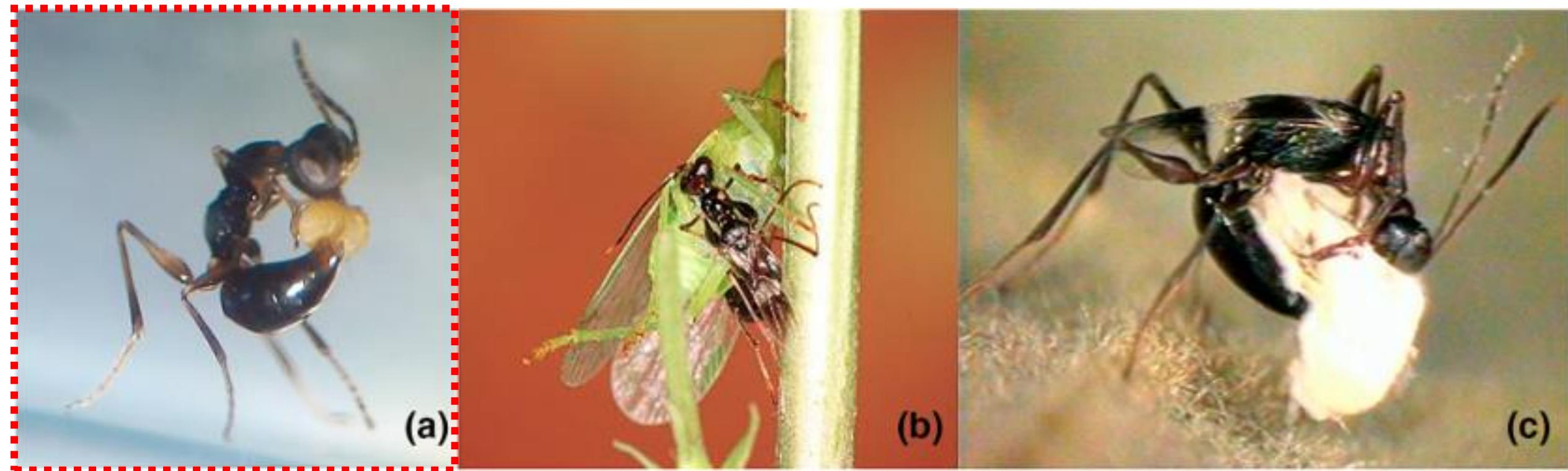


Quelle parasitoïde?

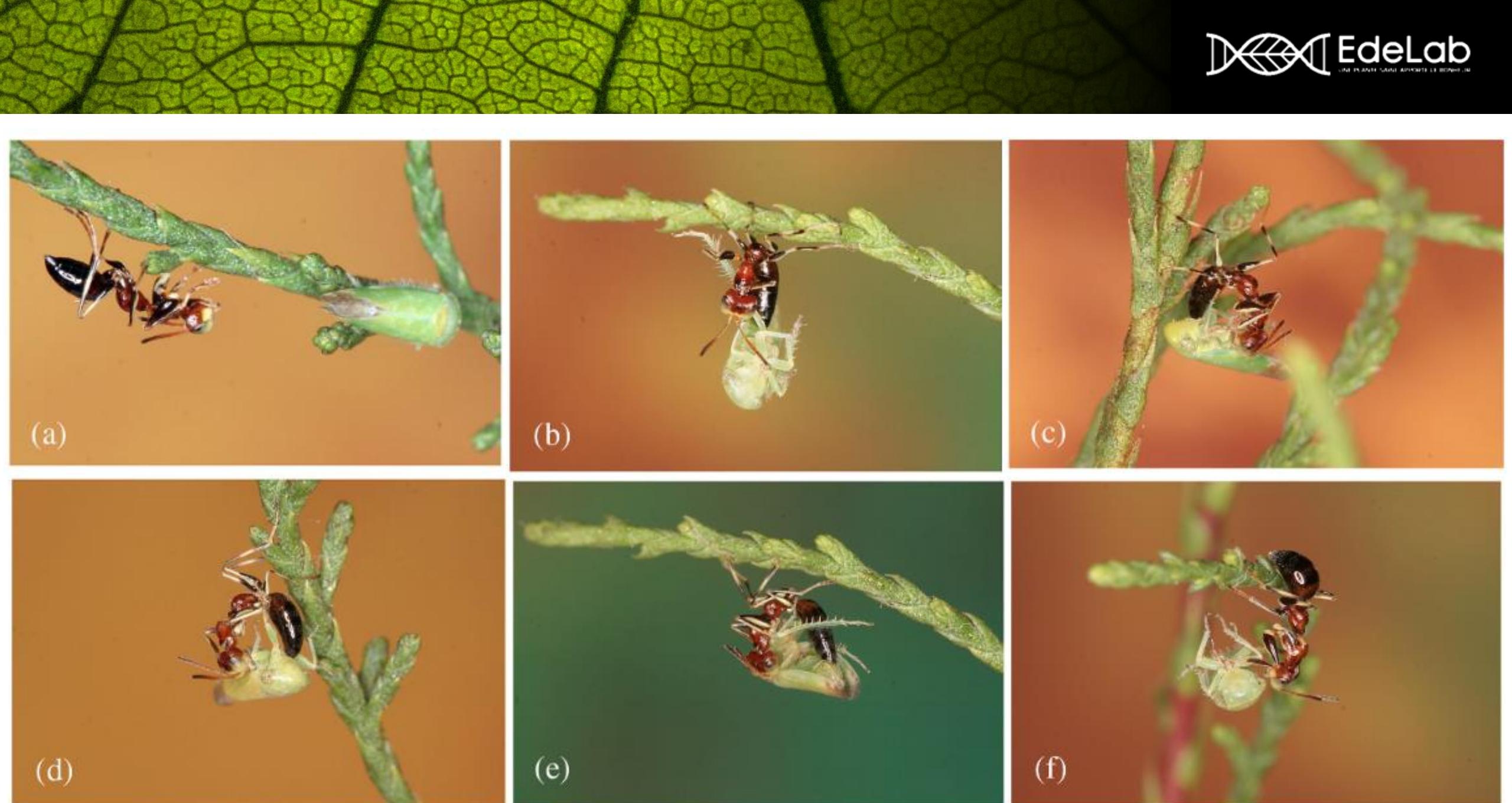
M. quadrilineatus
Illumina



Family Dryinidae



Gonatopus spp.



À la recherche dans les champs

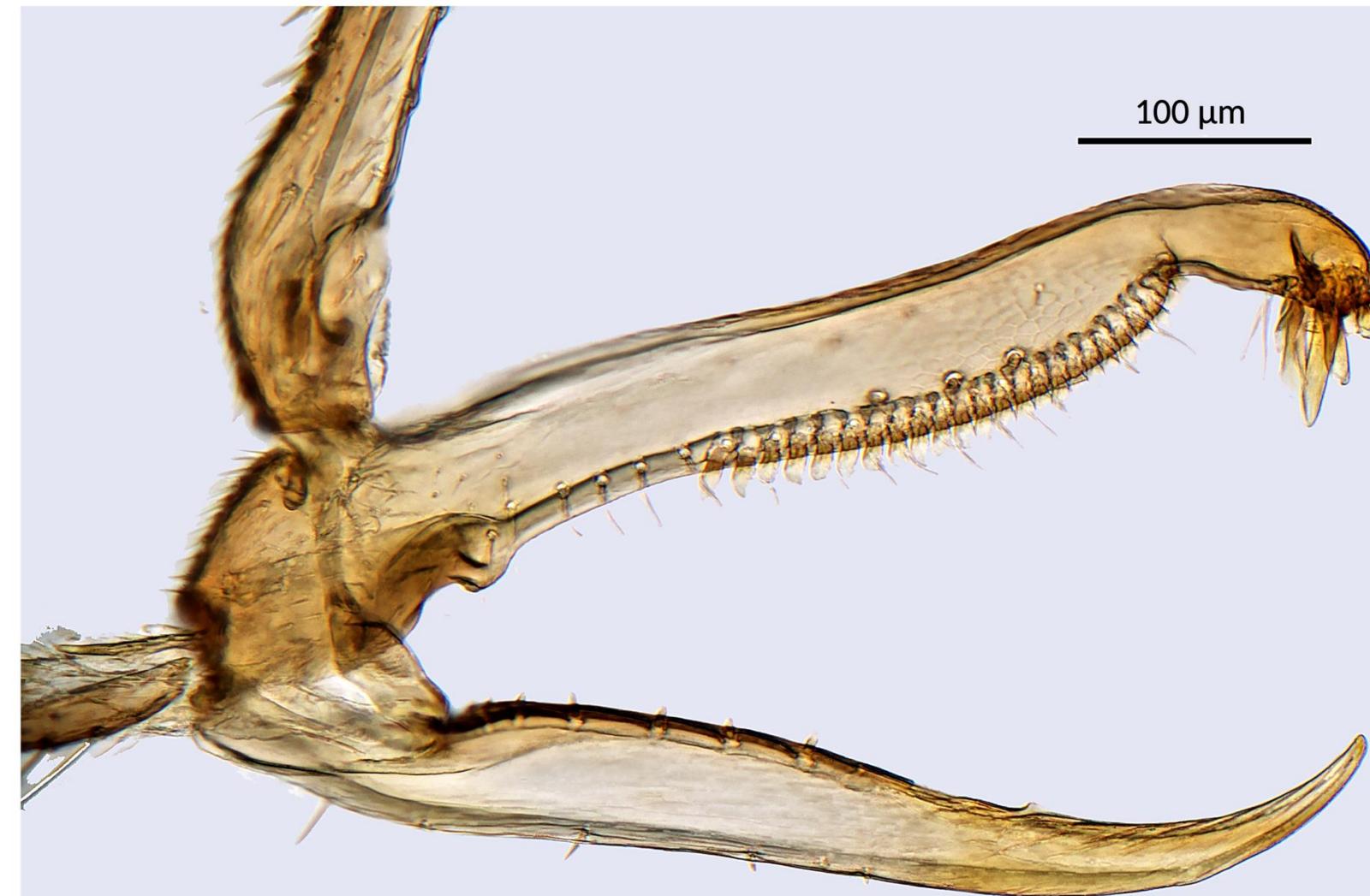




11 Specimens
Gonatopus spp.?



Gonatopus spp.



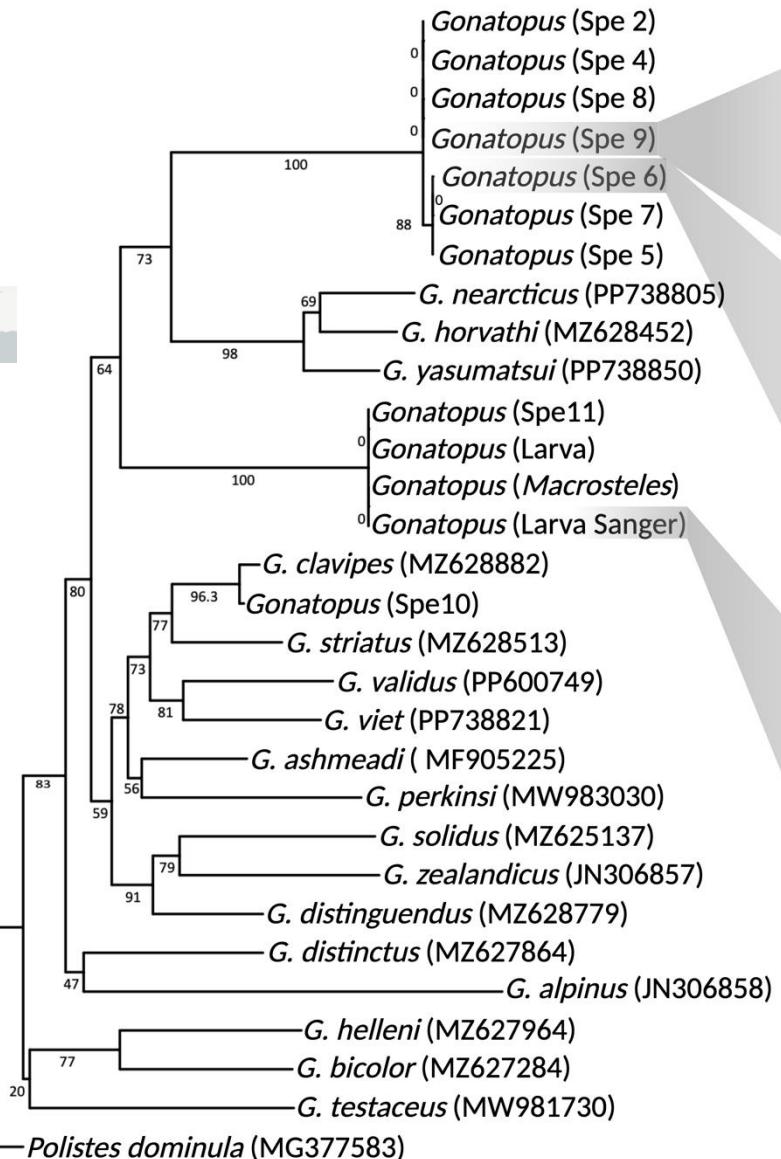
- Taxonomically – 3 groups
- DNA very degraded



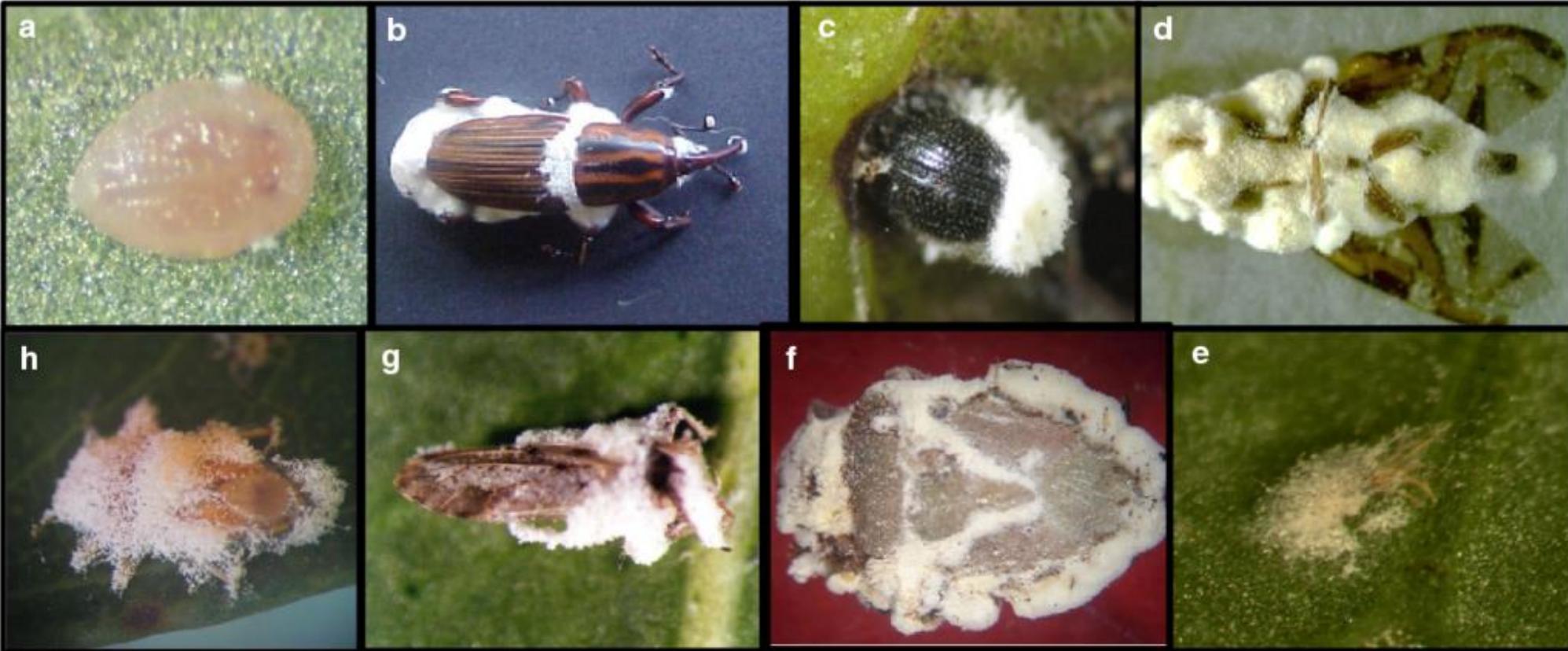
Official first mention
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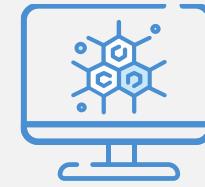
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Un troisième acteur inattendu



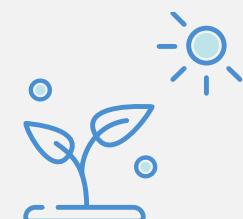
LeafHope: à réduire l'utilisation des insecticides



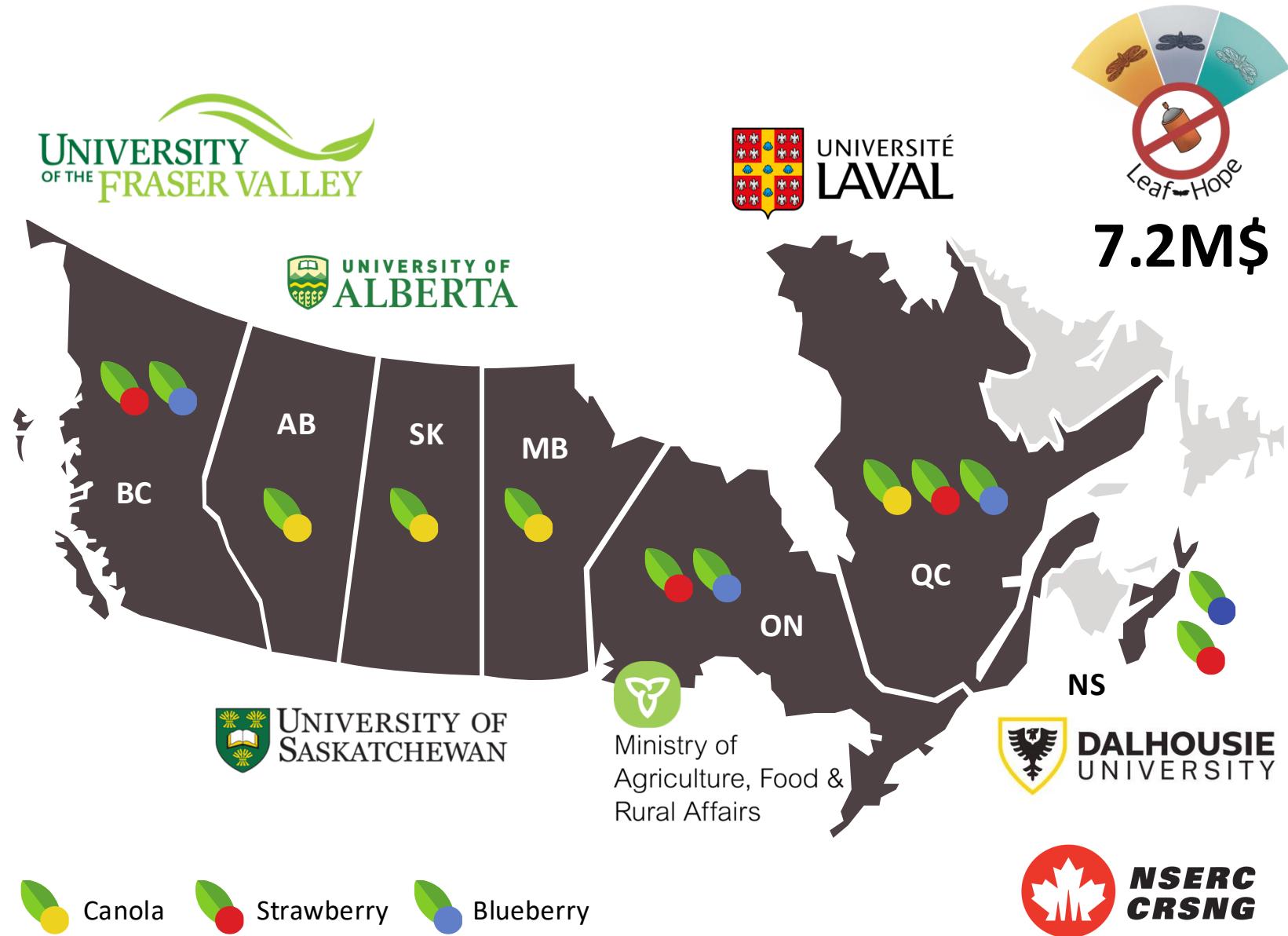
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