

OLD TRAPS, NEW TRICKS

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The UK suction-trap network today

Weather and climate change

New species, new problems

Below the species

The international dimension

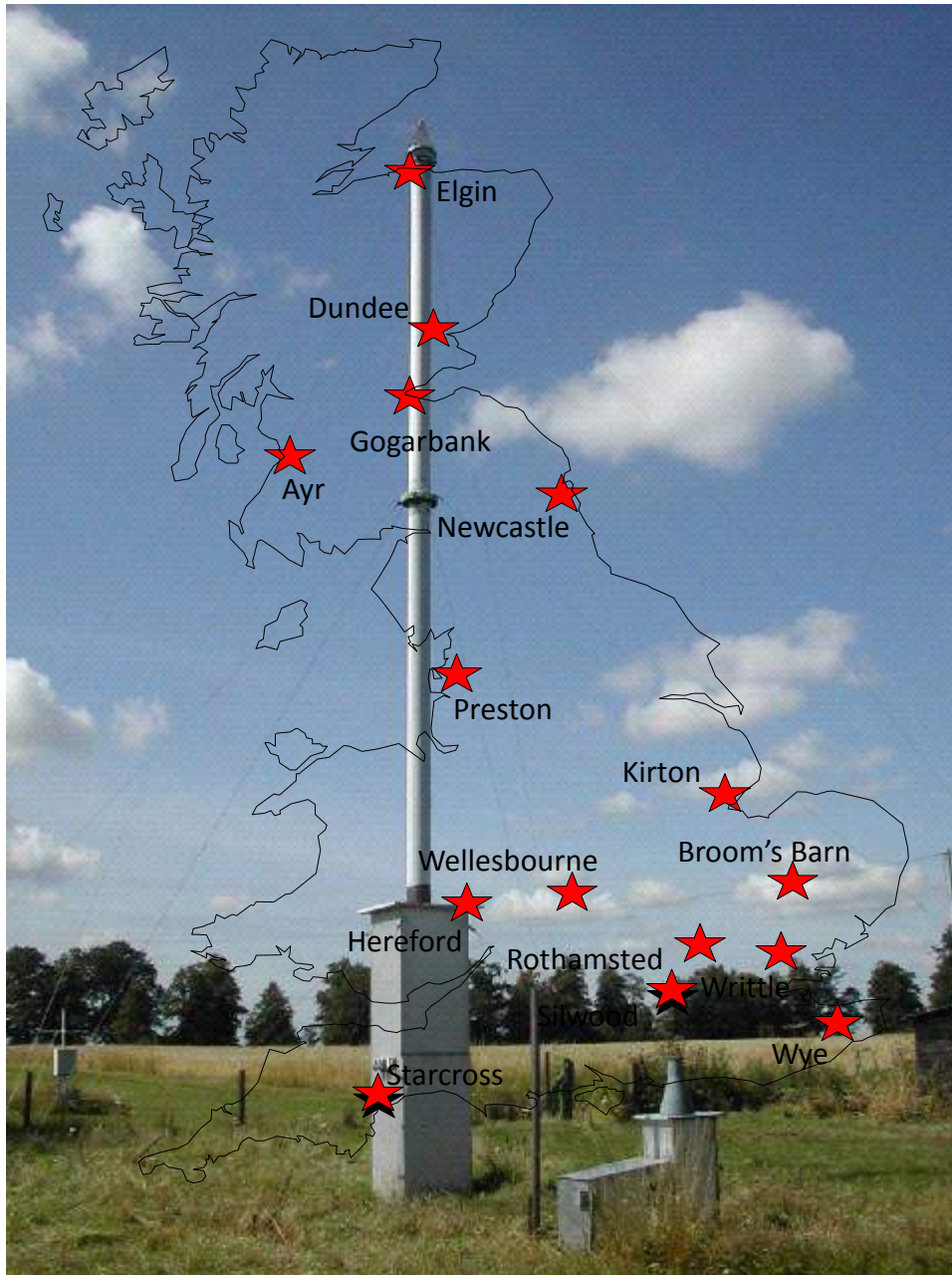
Not just aphids

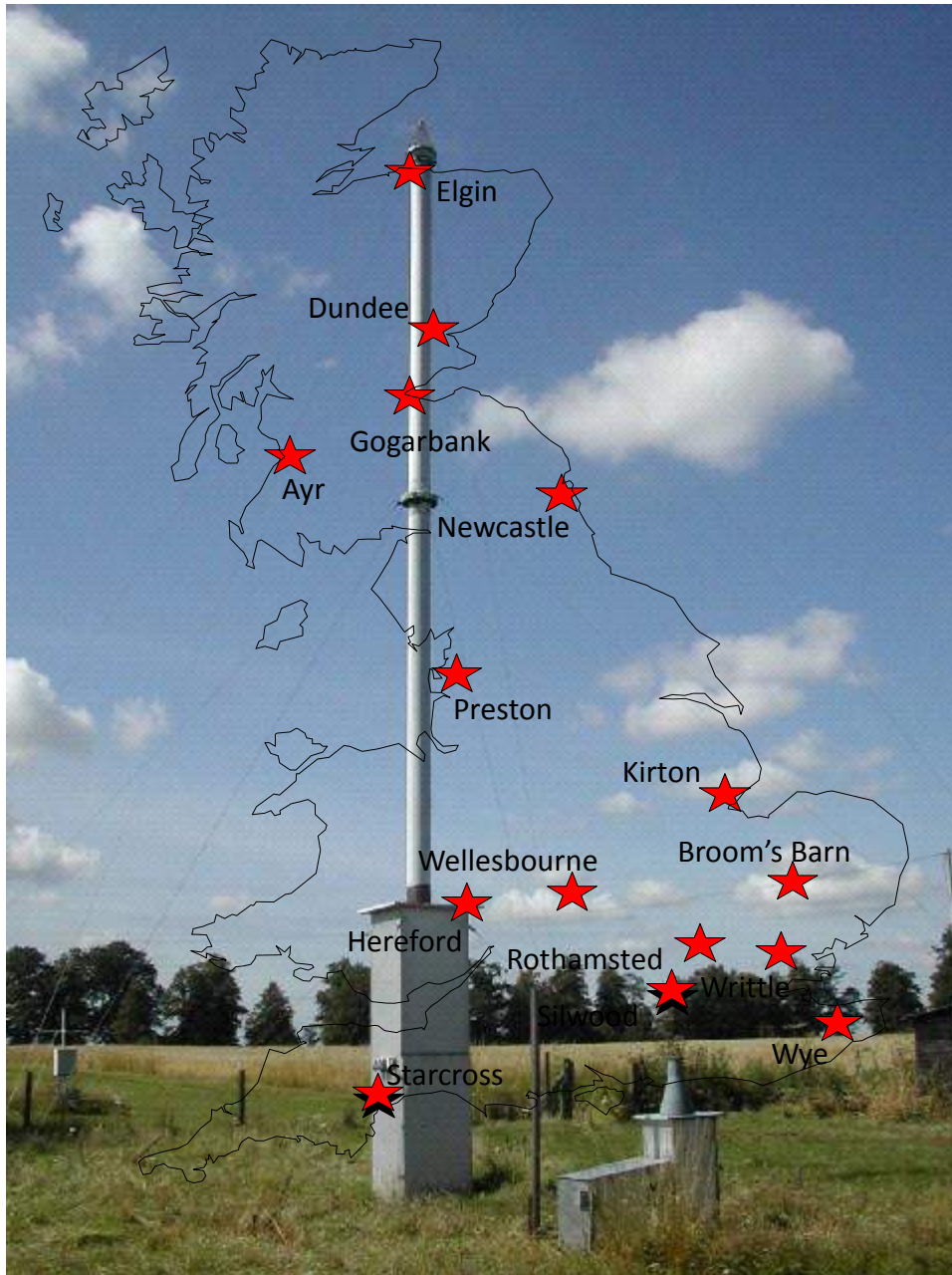
The double whammy



THE SUCTION-TRAP NETWORK TODAY

1964 – 2014+
Daily data

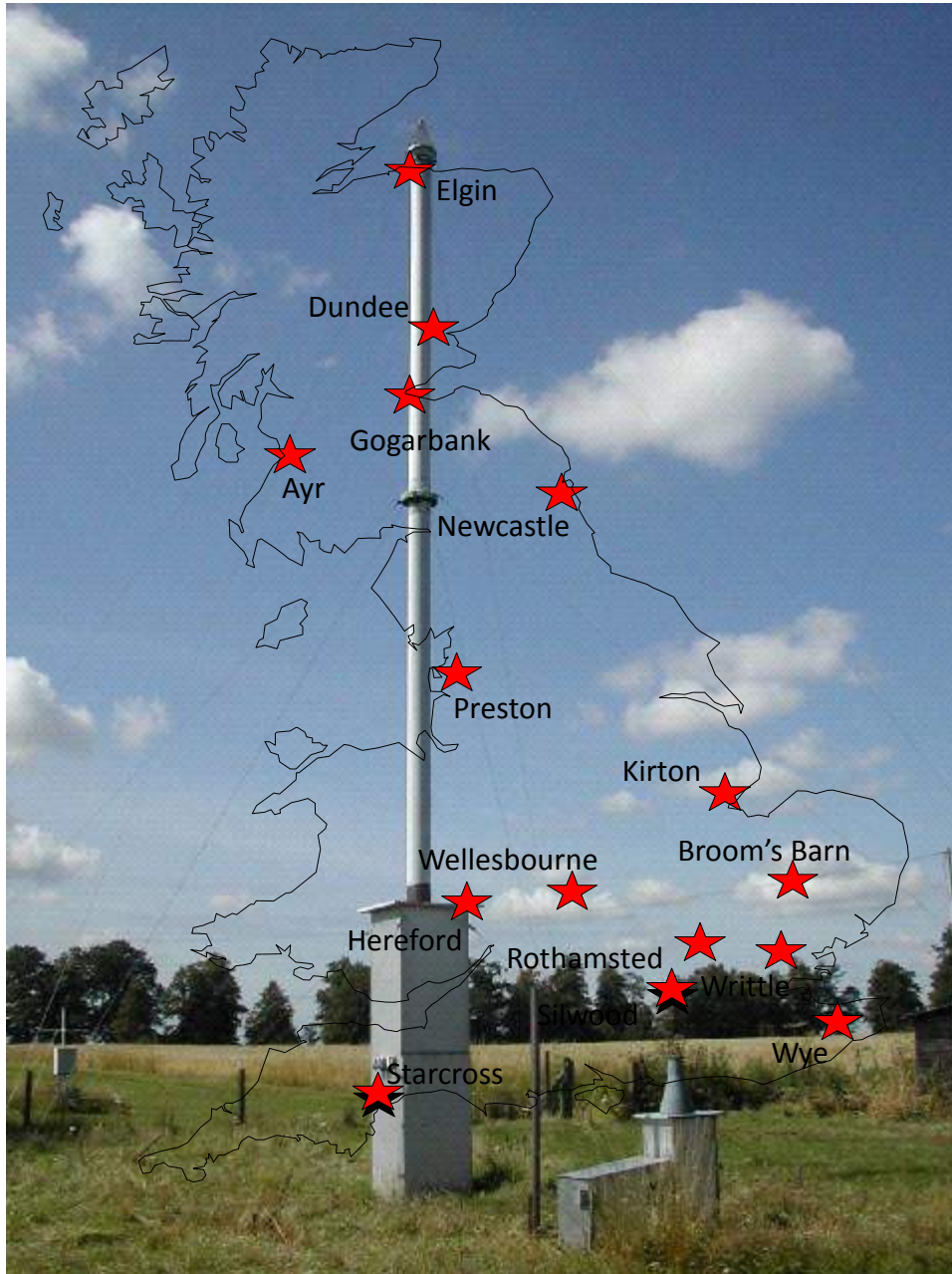


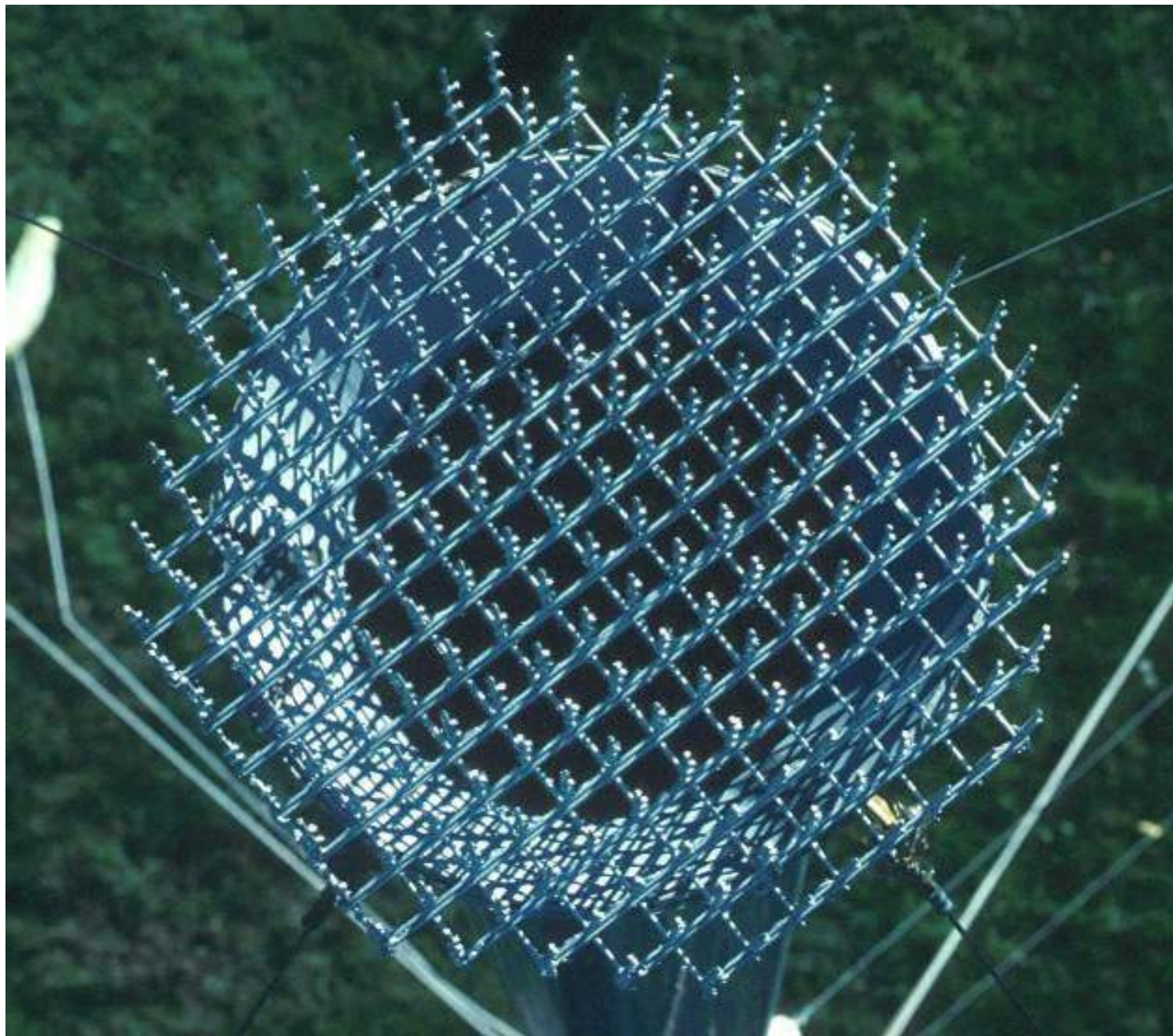


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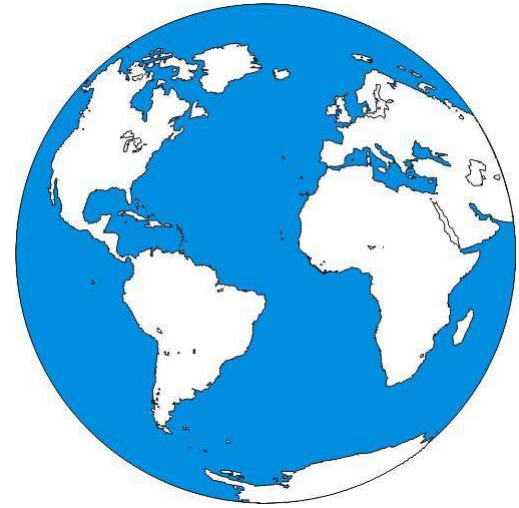








4700 Species



600 Species





Myzus persicae



Myzus caryabalis



(1)



(2)

Myzus ligustri



Myzus persicae



Myzus celtus





	EI	D	G	Ay	N	AB	P	K	BB	We	H	RT	Wr	SP	W	SX
Days	7	4	7	7	7		7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Part Catches																
<i>A. pisum</i>												1	1			2
<i>A. fabae</i> gp.													1	1		1
<i>A. solani</i>							7								1	2
<i>B. helichrysi</i>		1	2	5	5		20	81	313	142	90	54	80	17	43	31
<i>B. brassicae</i>																
<i>C. aegopodii</i>		2	1	2	2		138	25	183	18	56	26	35	9	8	19
<i>D. platanoidis</i>				21			477	152	56	37	7	92	71	28	17	14
<i>E. abietinum</i>	3	4	9		36		118	1			3	1			1	3
<i>H. pruni</i>													1			1
<i>H. lactucae</i>							2								1	2
<i>M. euphorbiae</i>					1		3		1			2	1			3
<i>M. dirhodum</i>	1		7	1			14		3	3	7	3	3		4	10
<i>M. ascalonicus</i>	1		1	2	2		4		1		1		1	1	2	
<i>M. persicae</i> gp								2	2					2		7
<i>N. ribisnigri</i>												2				
<i>P. humuli</i>							1	7	15	22	102	3	36	1	5	16
<i>R. insertum</i>	1	2	1	4	7		13			7	7	1				3
<i>R. maidis</i>																
<i>R. padi</i>	1	1					2	4	1		3	6		1	2	10
<i>S. avenae</i>							2	5		1				1	1	2
<i>S. fragariae</i>			1	1			1	5	14	6	9	7	16	6	10	37

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Aphid News
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We have lift off.....

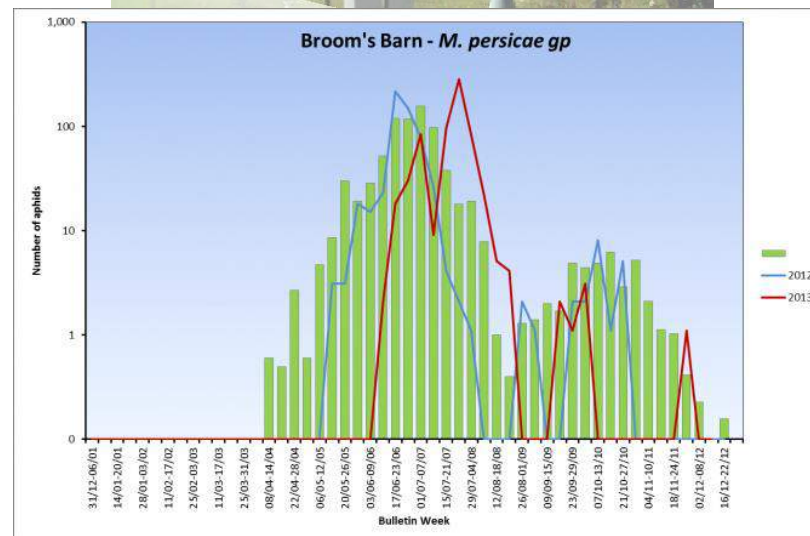
Generally during Bulletin 8: 10-16/6 warmer weather resulted in an increase in aphid flights. Aphid numbers are low compared to the same time in previous years but could still take advantage of the late cropping season and lack of natural predators if conditions allow.

The tables below show species of importance to field vegetables and sugar beet which have appeared for the first time at specific sites, together with forecast dates where available, their time of first arrival last year, and the average time of their first arrival over the last ten years. A second table shows current and accumulated numbers with comparisons to previous years. A / indicates that identifications have not been completed.

Cabbage aphid – *Brevicoryne brassicae*

Cabbage Aphid	FIRST ARRIVALS			
	2013	forecast	2012	05-12
Dundee	0	30/7	/	6/7
Gogarbank (Edinburgh)	0	28/7	28/6	24/6
Newcastle	0	8/8	/	26/6
Preston	0	25/7	29/5	30/5
Kirton	0	14/7	30/5	1/6
Broom's Barn (nr Bury St Edmunds)	0	22/6	23/5	28/5
Wellesbourne	0	/	24/5	12/5
Hereford	0	26/6	21/5	26/5
Rothamsted (Harpenden)	0	26/6	23/5	27/5
Witle	0	12/6	22/5	22/5
Silwood Park (nr Ascot)	0	31/6	9/5	20/5
Wye	0	15/6	22/5	30/5
Starcross (nr Exeter)	3/6	18/5	19/5	1/5

No cabbage aphids has been caught in the suction traps this week.

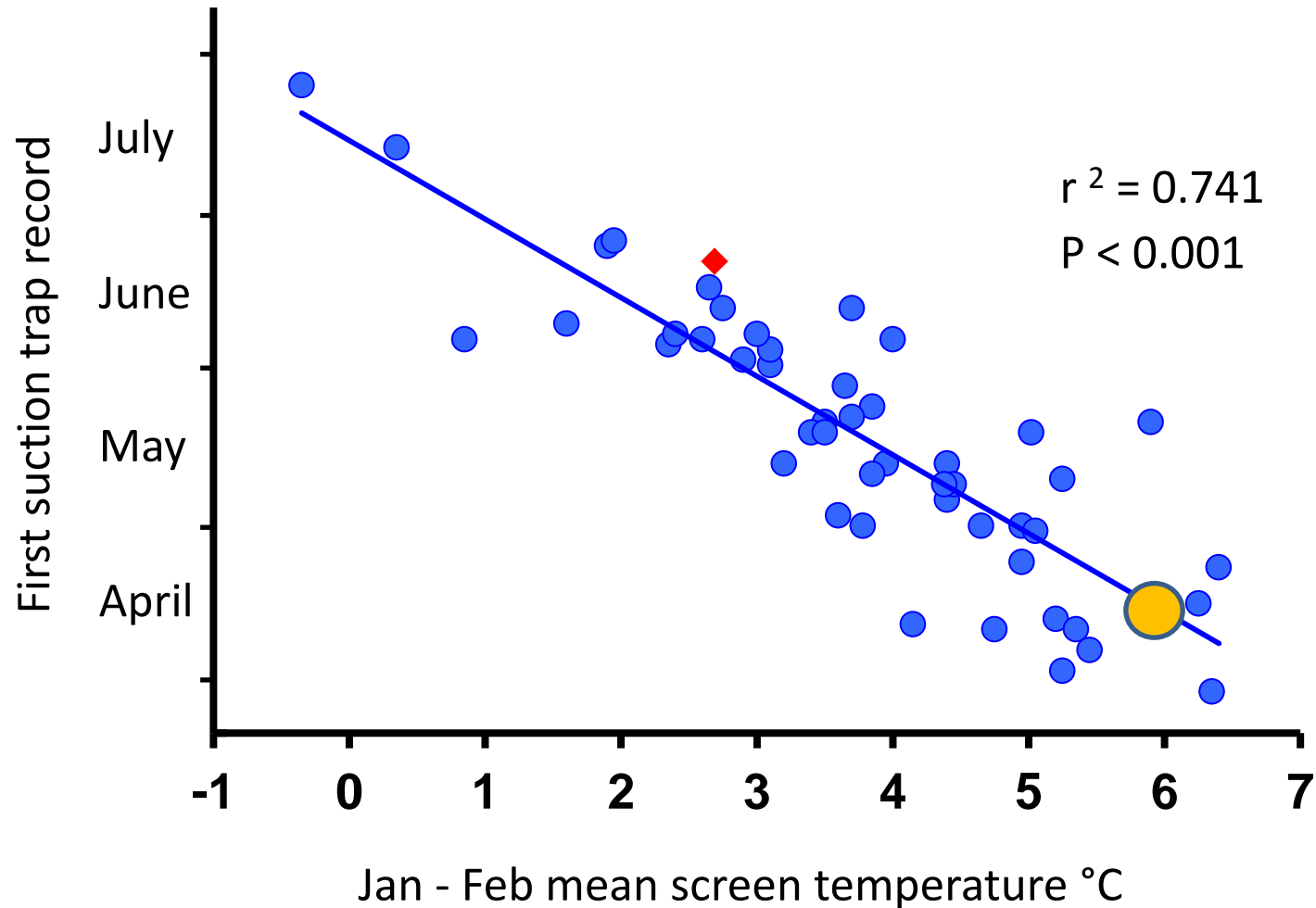




WEATHER AND CLIMATE CHANGE

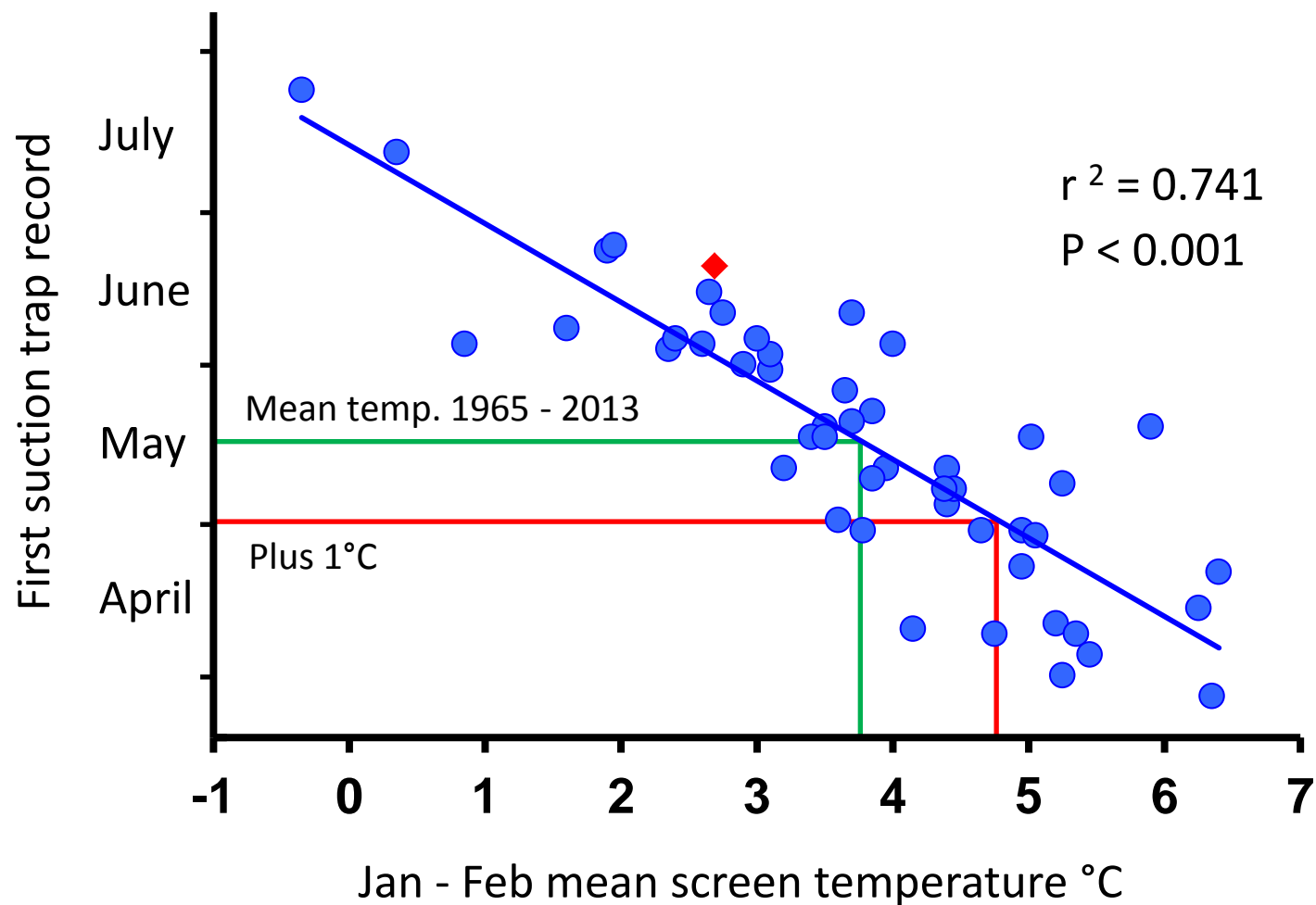
Peach–potato aphid at Rothamsted 1965 - 2013

(2013 is shown in red)



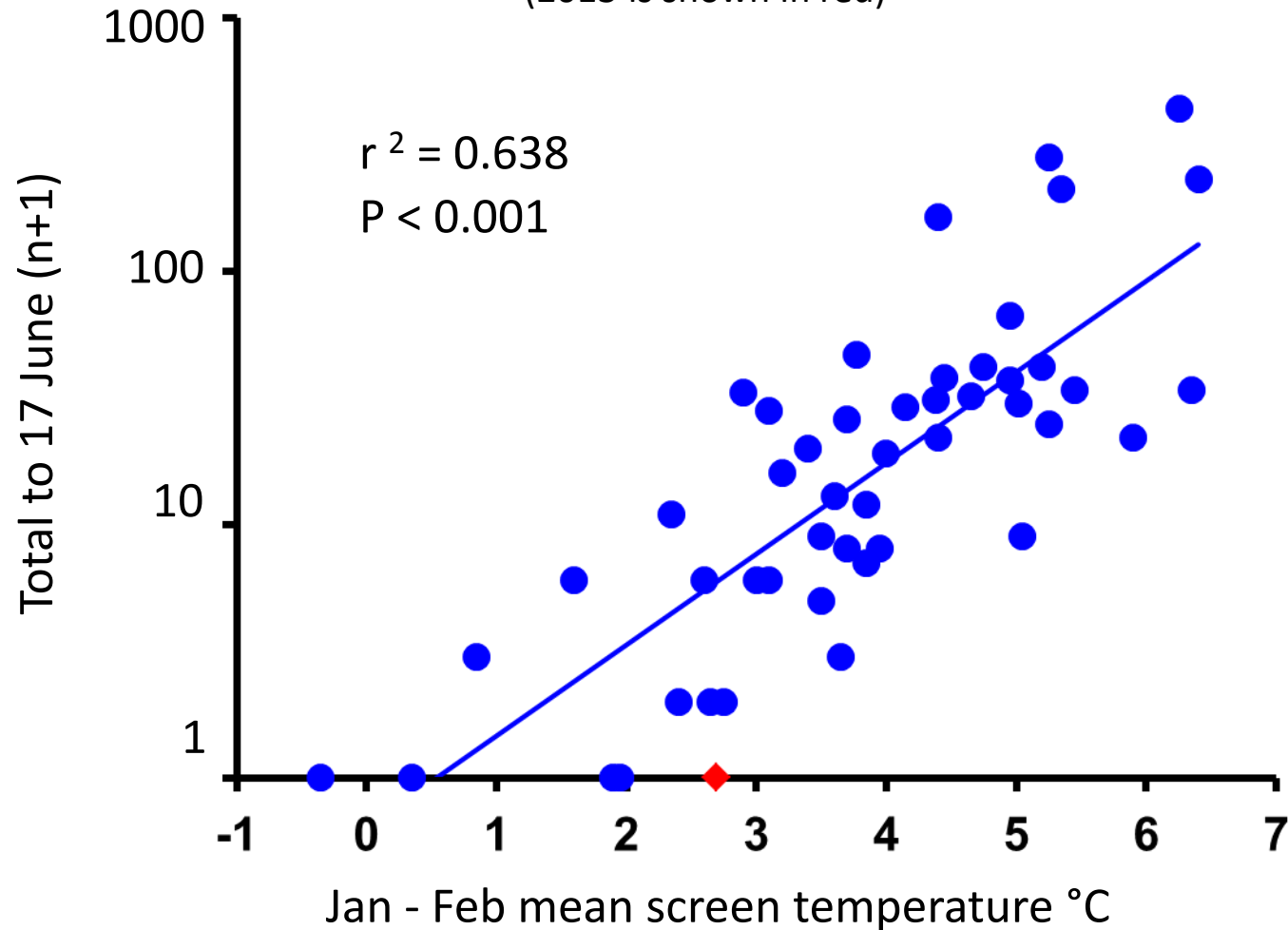
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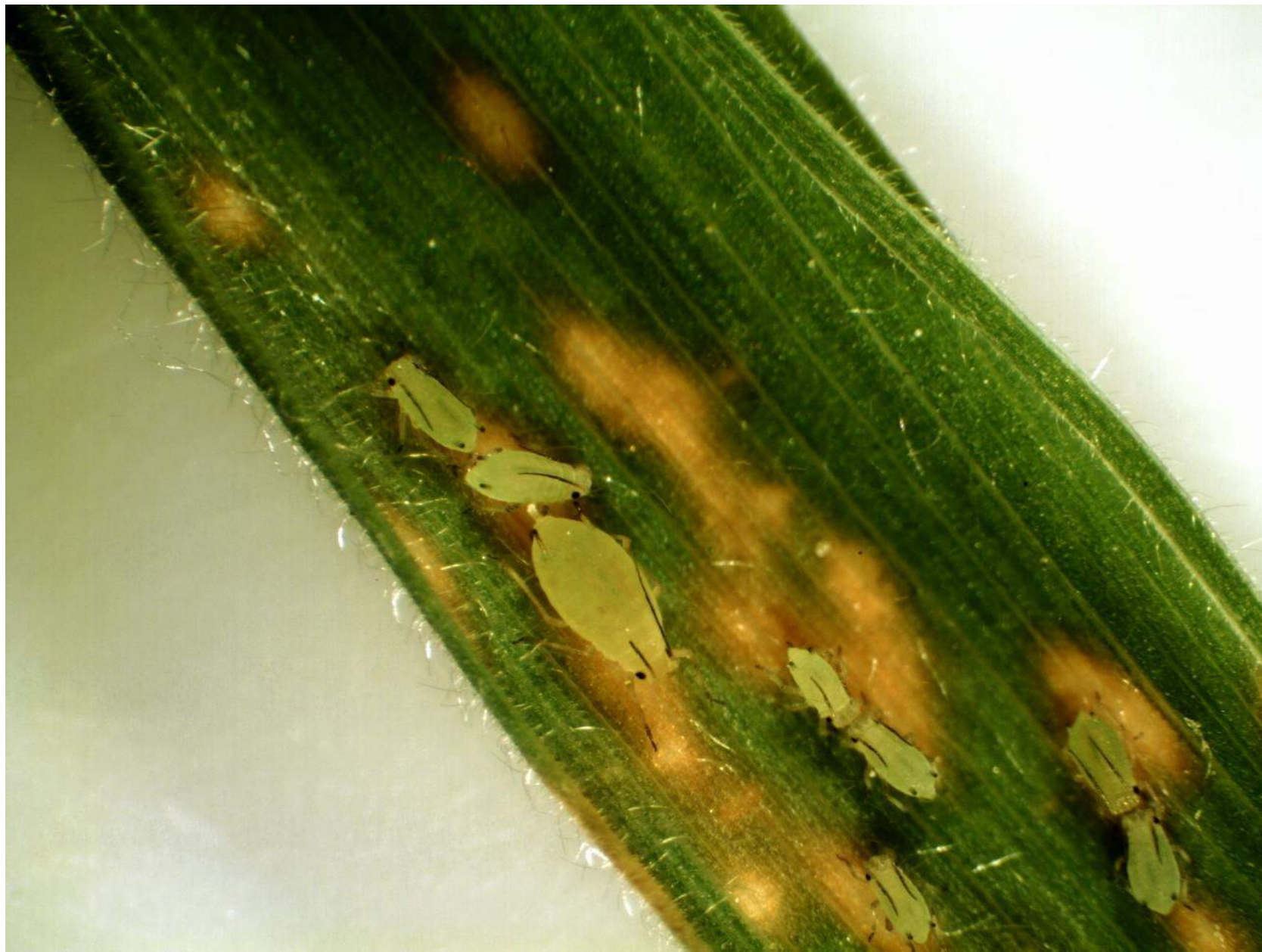




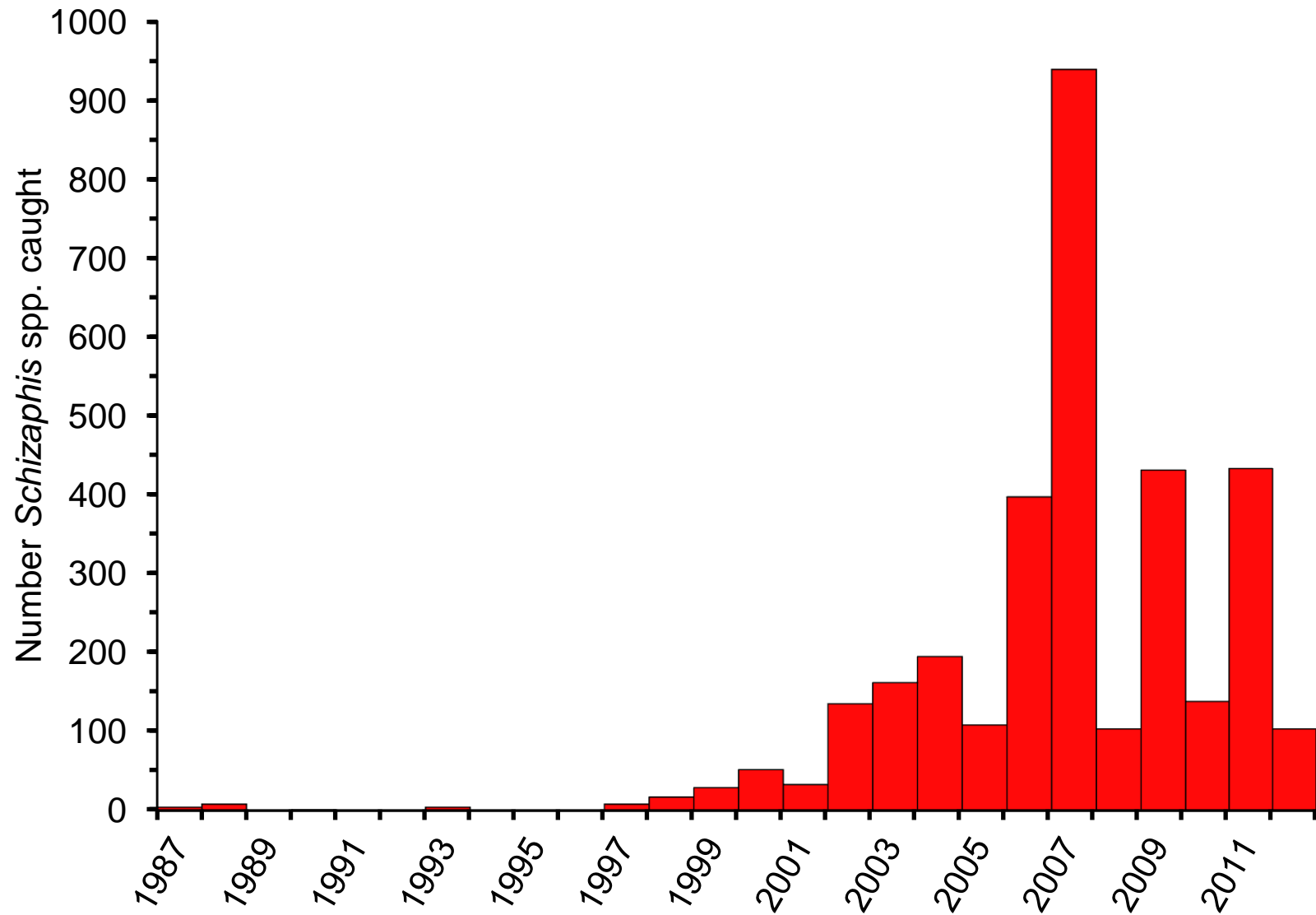


NEW SPECIES, NEW PROBLEMS





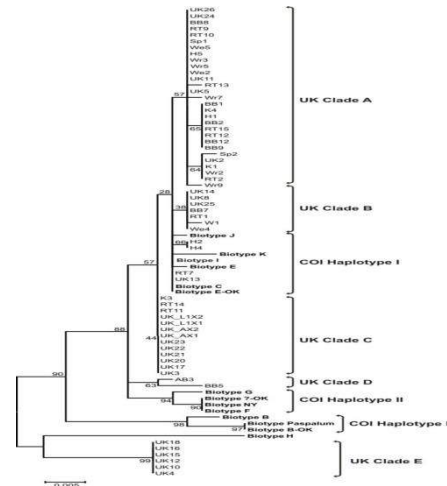
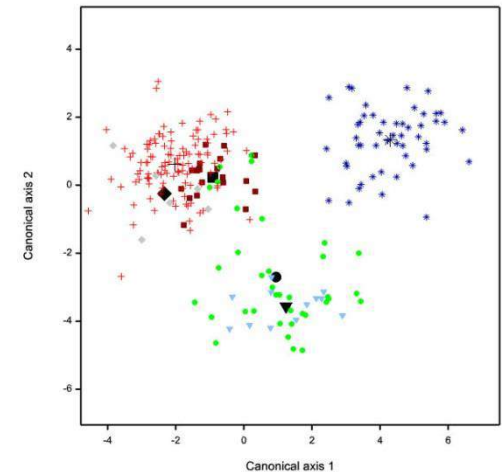
Schizaphis spp. in UK suction-traps



Lab experiments

Morphometrics

Molecular markers



Suggest *Schizaphis agrostis* and *Schizaphis holci*



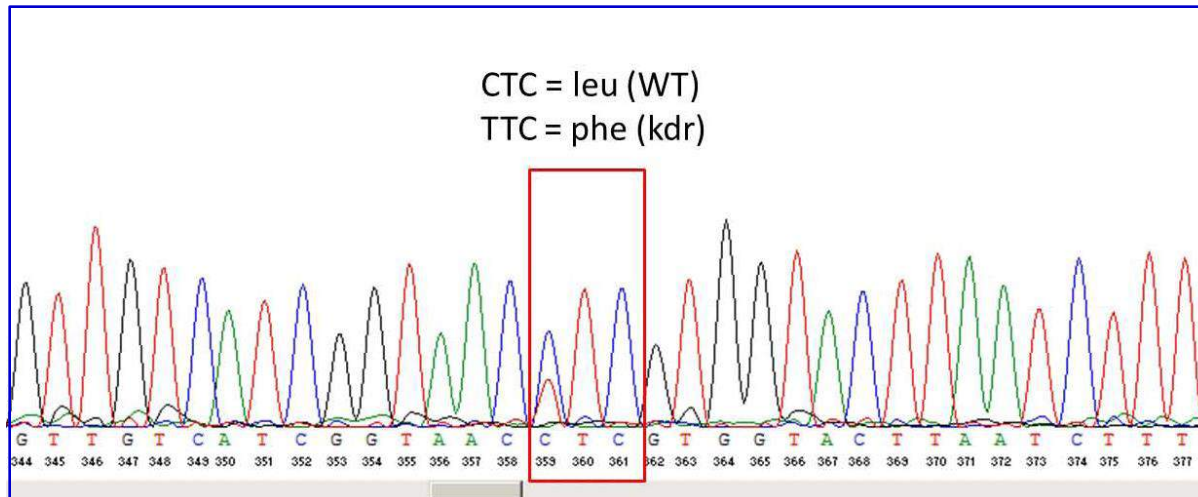
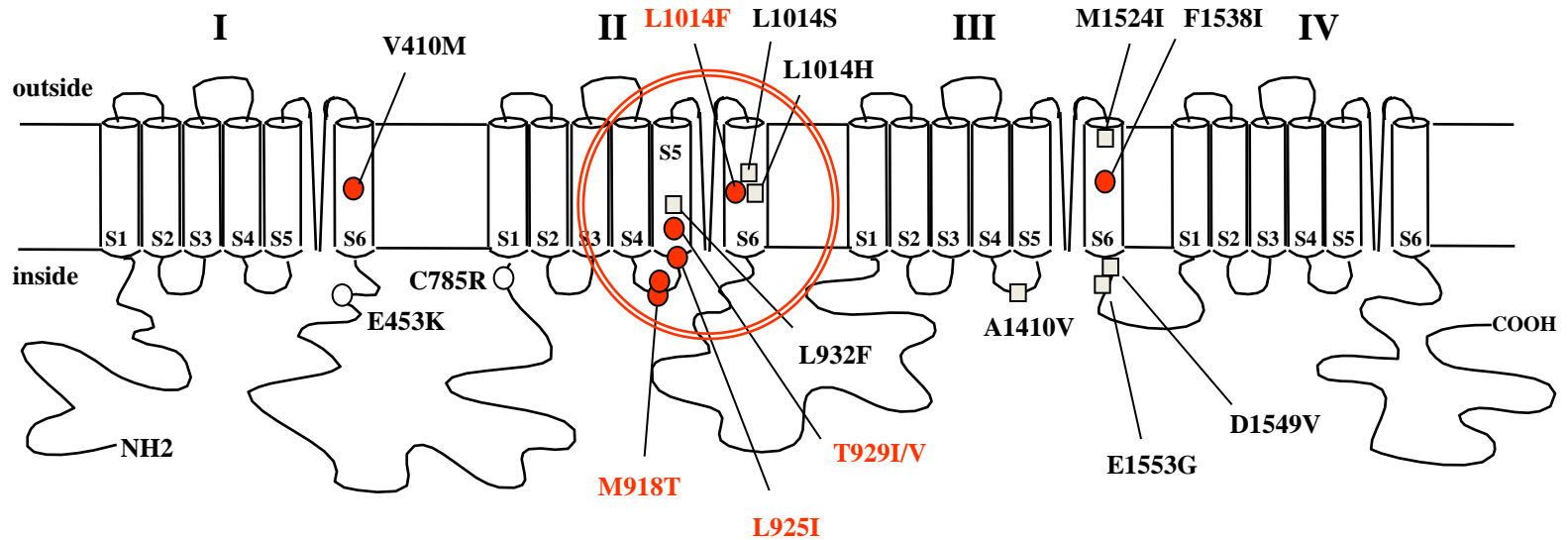
BELOW THE SPECIES



Grain aphid,
some pyrethroid
control failure
noticed since
Summer 2011

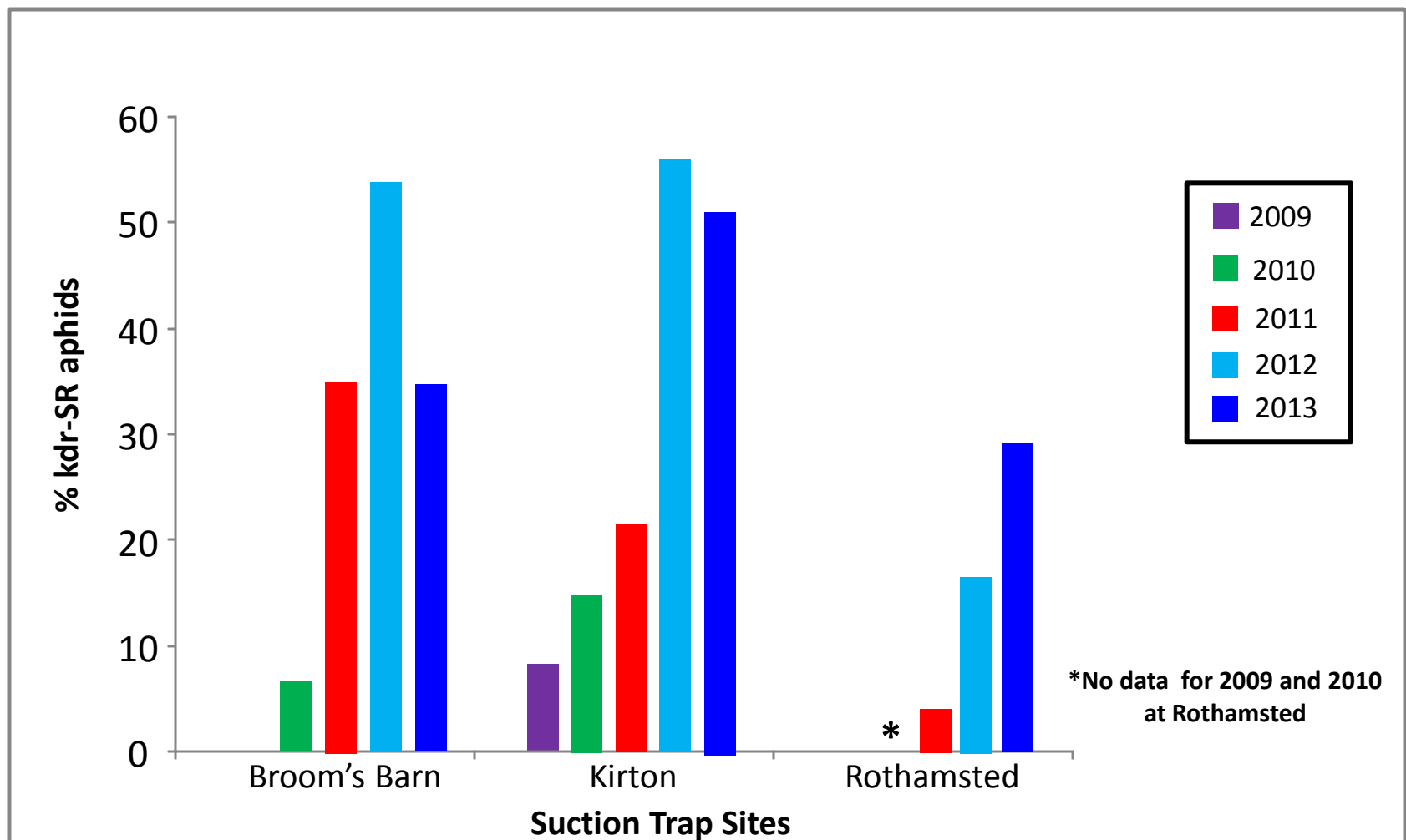
Photo: Alan Dewar

Sodium channel - mutations implicated in pyrethroid resistance



Grain aphid sample contains kdr mutation, L1014F

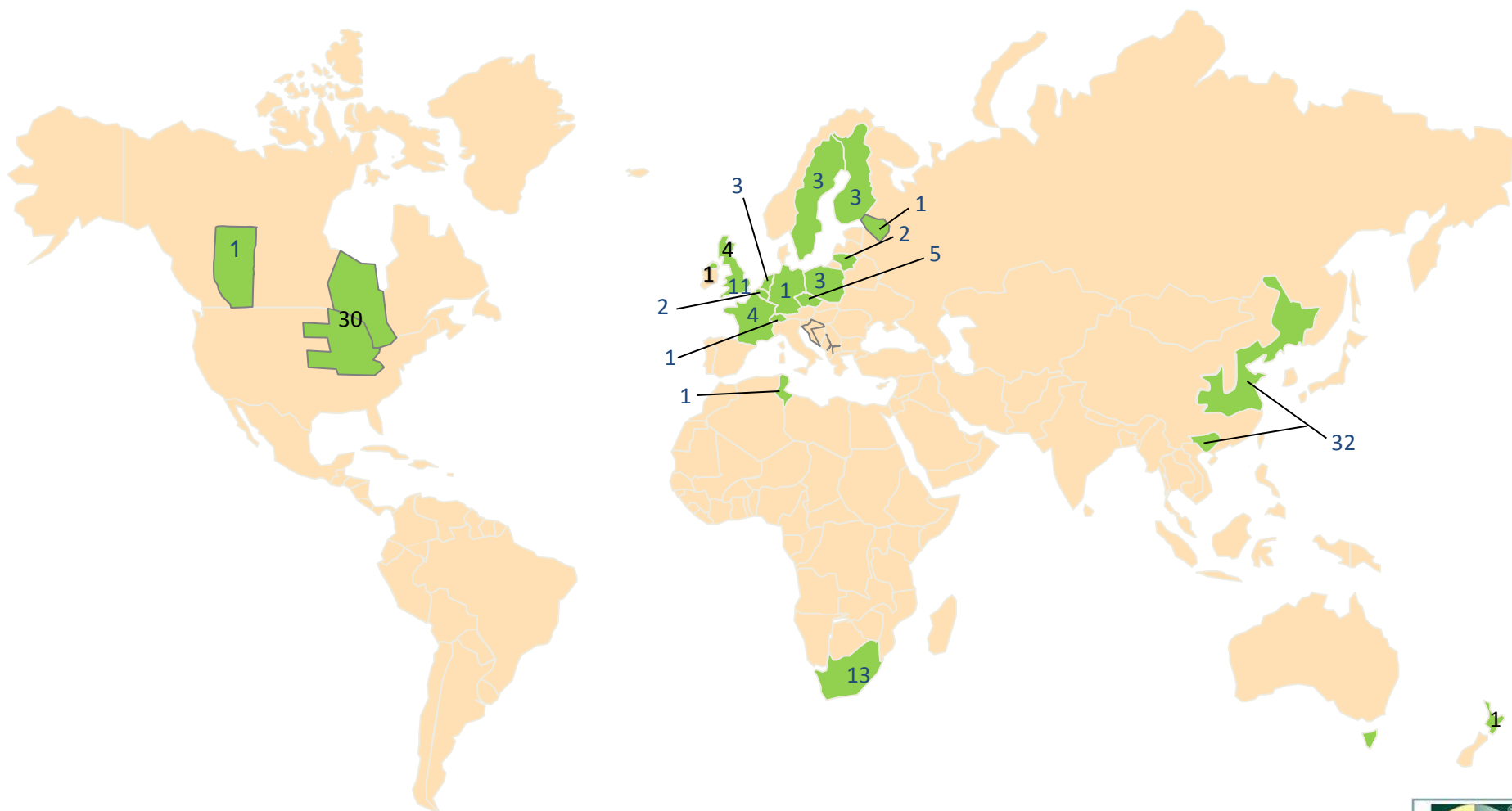
Frequency of resistant Grain aphid in three suction-traps (2009-2013)



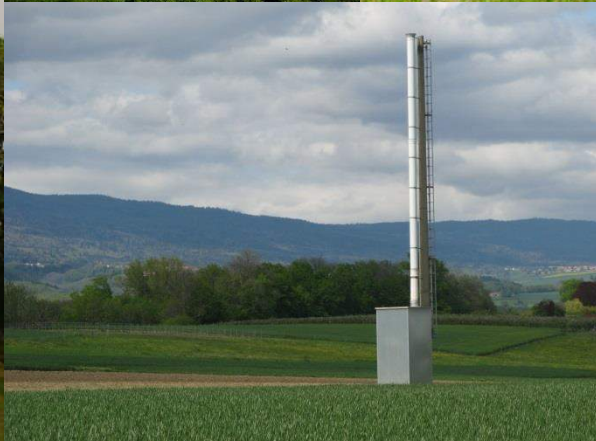


THE INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION

Suction-traps 2014



122 known sites in 18 countries





NOT JUST APHIDS



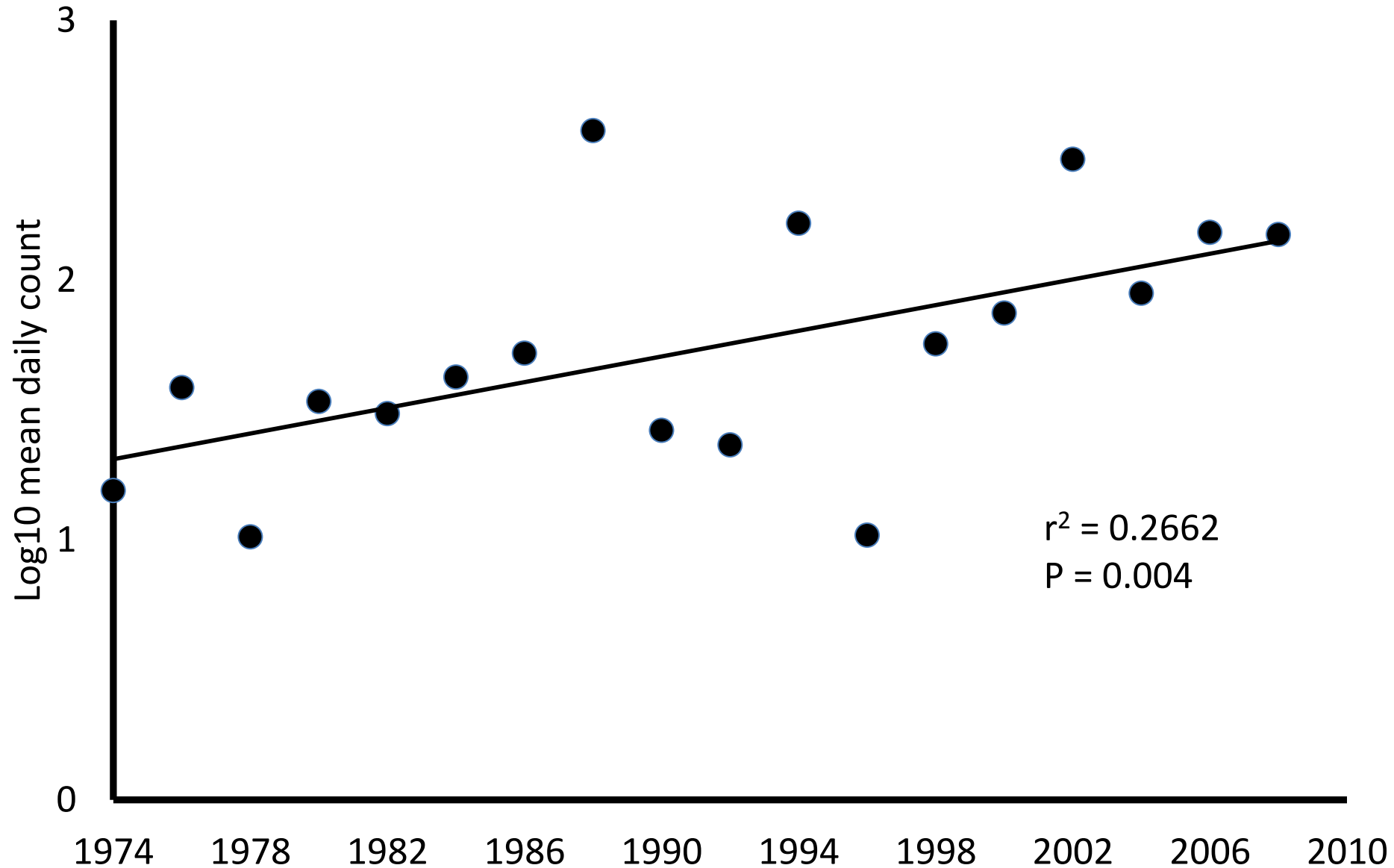


Culicoides
biting midges

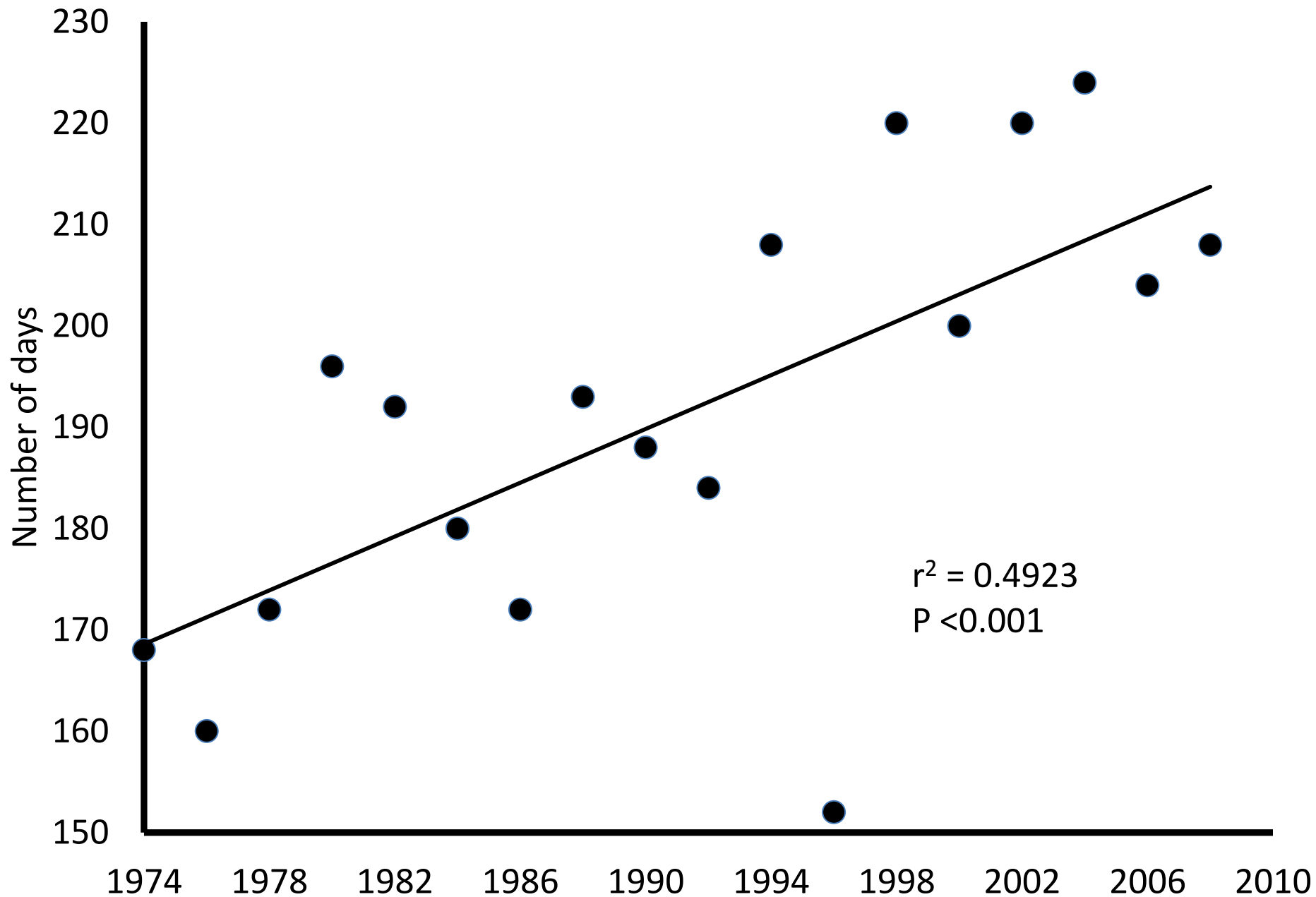
Potential vectors of
bluetongue disease



Log10 mean daily count of *Culicoides* spp. at Preston from April - June



Culicoides spp. season length at Preston





THE DOUBLE WHAMMY

Climate change threatens a million species

A quarter of land animals and plants could be extinct in 50 years, writes **Roger Highfield**

A MILLION species worldwide are threatened with extinction by climate change over the next half century, according to the most comprehensive analysis of its kind.

Climate change has already produced shifts in the distribution of some species, such as amphibians, grasses, mi-



Picture: STEPHEN C. WILLIAMS / BBC / NHPB / NHPA



Mexico: *Pipilio esperanza* butterfly

Wildlife in peril around the world

The predicted impact of climate change by 2050 includes:

Australia: of the 24 endemic species of butterfly studied, all but three may no longer be able to survive in most of their current habitats. As many as 54 per cent of species may eventually become extinct, including the orange white-spot skipper and western jewel.

Brazil: the Cerrado, also



Palmy days for pests

PESTS and diseases are thriving in Britain's warmer weather as more are surviving the milder winters.

Scientists say it is still too early to know if the man-made Greenhouse Effect will push temperatures still higher. But they all agree the past two mild winters have benefited pests and diseases.

Who will benefit from a warmer Britain? After two exceptionally mild winters the beneficiaries include aphids, slugs, rats, mice and many more pests, diseases and weeds. **Robert Davies, Alan Barker, Douglas MacSkimming and Richard Wilson** investigate.

damage." The weevil reduces plant quality and its larvae feed on the nitrogen-fixing root nodules, degrading clover's value to pasture management, he adds.

Not only pests and diseases benefit from milder weather. Their predators, such as ladybirds, are also thriving, say scientists at

Global warming could herald return of malaria to Britain

BY CHARLES CLOVER
ENVIRONMENT EDITOR

of ministers, said one of the most adverse effects was that the lesser form of malaria

malaria in Britain. But warmer summers would mean that the number of

in which the mosquito

as active would increase two to four. The more serious form of malaria, *Plasmodium falciparum*, found in Africa, was

to affect travellers to destinations, for example, western Turkey. Producing the report, Liam Donaldson, the Chief Medical Officer, said

did not mean necessarily malaria would become

lished, but just that the

ditions were present for

do so.

alaria carried by mosquito

toes "hitchhiking" in aircraft has been known to strike people living near airports in Britain.

The last big outbreak was after the First World War when around 200 people in Kent caught it from soldiers back from the tropics, said Prof Donaldson.

West Nile Fever, a potentially fatal form of encephalitis which has been found in New York, was an example of "the kind of unexpected thing" that could arrive with warmer weather, he said. The report says that cases of food poisoning, running at 100,000 annually, would be likely to increase by about

10,000 a year by 2050. Air pollution from low-level ozone caused by the breakdown of hydrocarbon fuels in sunlight was likely to increase, with several thousand extra deaths.

It is already warmer on average than for 350 years, according to the report. By 2050, temperatures are expected to rise by between 0.8°C and 2.3°C. Waterborne diseases, such as cholera and typhoid, were unlikely to become problems, but toxic algal growths would increase. The tick-borne Lyme disease was also expected to increase, but the impact on health would be small.

Poisonous caterpillars wriggle north as climate warms up

RICHARD GRAY
Science Correspondent

POISONOUS CATERpillars are spreading across England, prompting warnings from environmental health officers.

A series of mild winters has seen swarms of brown tail moth caterpillars move from their usual habitats along the south-east coast to as far north as Yorkshire.

The brown and red grub is covered in millions of tiny hairs that contain a toxin that can cause painful rashes, eye infections and, if inhaled, serious breathing difficulties.



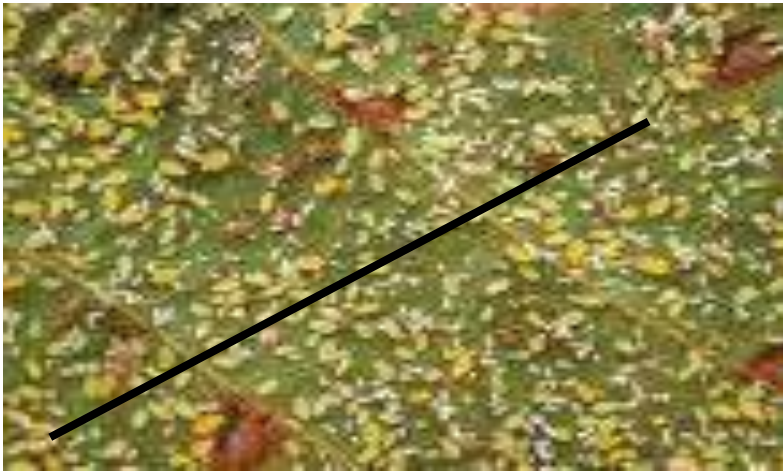
Hairy situation The brown tail moth caterpillar

also appeared along the coast in Dorset. In Portsmouth, council officials have been spraying affected trees and bushes in a bid to control the numbers.

Phil Harris, the director of the pest control company Exo-sect, which specialises in tackling brown tail moths, said: "They seem to have been a particular problem around Kent and Bournemouth while we are also hearing reports from some areas of London. Last year was a bad year for them, and although it is still early, this year may be as bad."



Impacts of Climate Change



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MOBILITY

TRAITS?





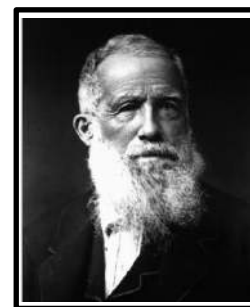
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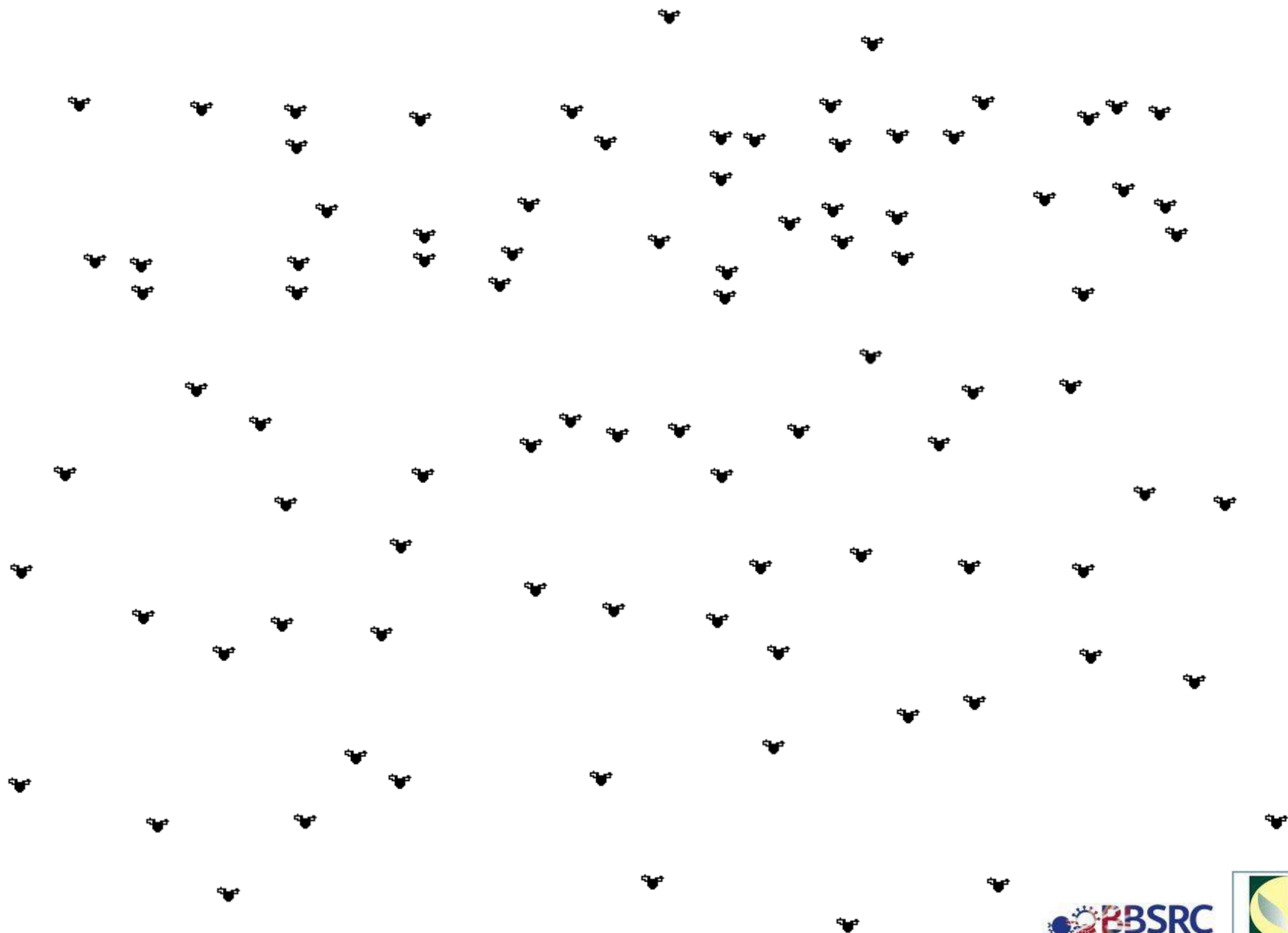
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