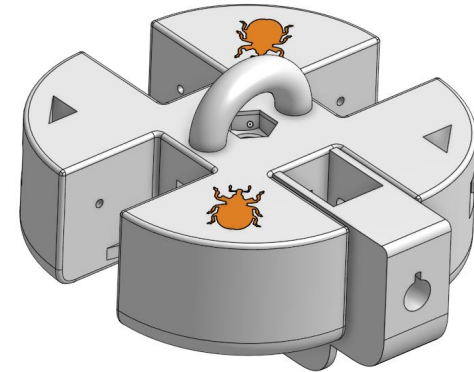
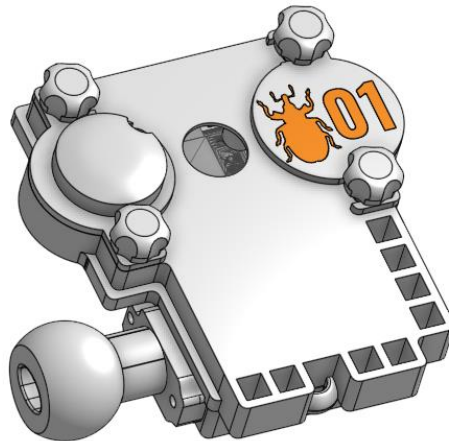


# Contribution du design 3D à l'étude des interactions plantes-insectes en terrain difficile, les canopées des forêts tempérées et tropicales

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## Parasitoids Turn Herbivores into Mutualists in a Nursery System Involving Active Pollination

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## Pollination syndrome of the African custard apple (*Annona senegalensis* Pers.) reveals reliance on specialized brood-site weevil pollinators in Annonaceae

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## REPRODUCTIVE BIOLOGY OF TWO SYMPATRIC SPECIES OF POLYALIDIA (ANNONACEAE) IN SRI LANKA. I. POLLINATION BY CURCULIONID BEETLES

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## While *Prosopanche* (Hydnoraceae) flowers gently heat: mutualistic pollination relationships among the perianth-bearing Piperales

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Weevils pollinating Annonaceae species

Section: Ecology

Topic: Ecology, Environmental sciences, Biology of interactions

Most diverse, most neglected: weevils (Coleoptera: Curculionoidea) are ubiquitous specialized brood-site pollinators of tropical flora

Haran, Julien<sup>1</sup> ; Kergoat, Gael J.<sup>2</sup> ; de Medeiros, Bruno A. S.<sup>3,4</sup>



~ 300 weevil species

40 genera

3 families

~ 250 plant species

73 genera

23 families

At least 2000 plant and 2500 weevil species



## Apprehend this massive and undescribed biodiversity

- **Widespread** in tropical biomes but **overlooked**
- Inconspicuous relationships :  
crepuscular canopy flight, small species, etc

A lot remain to be discovered : weevil species & interactions

Field expeditions

Museomics

Pollen Metabarcoding





# Gabon 2023 – PolTroN – CEMEB labex



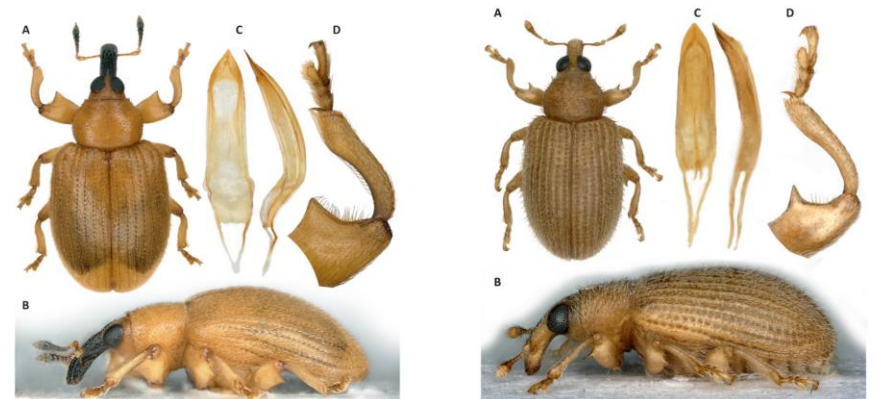
Objective: Intercept flying weevils at night and extract the pollen they carry to identify their host plant.



**SUCCESS!**

Numerous morphospecies of the targeted group of weevils found at night!

Most of them new to Science



# Challenges and Lessons Learned – Behind the scene

How to bring the light trap in the canopy?

How to collect so many specimens while you are there?





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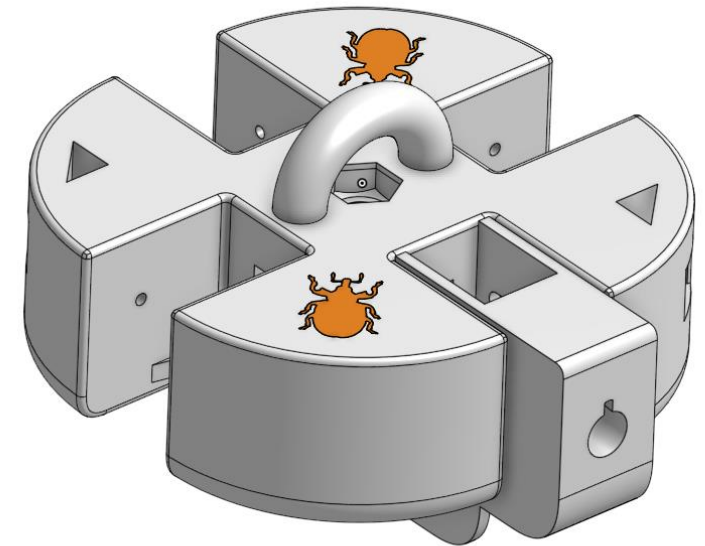
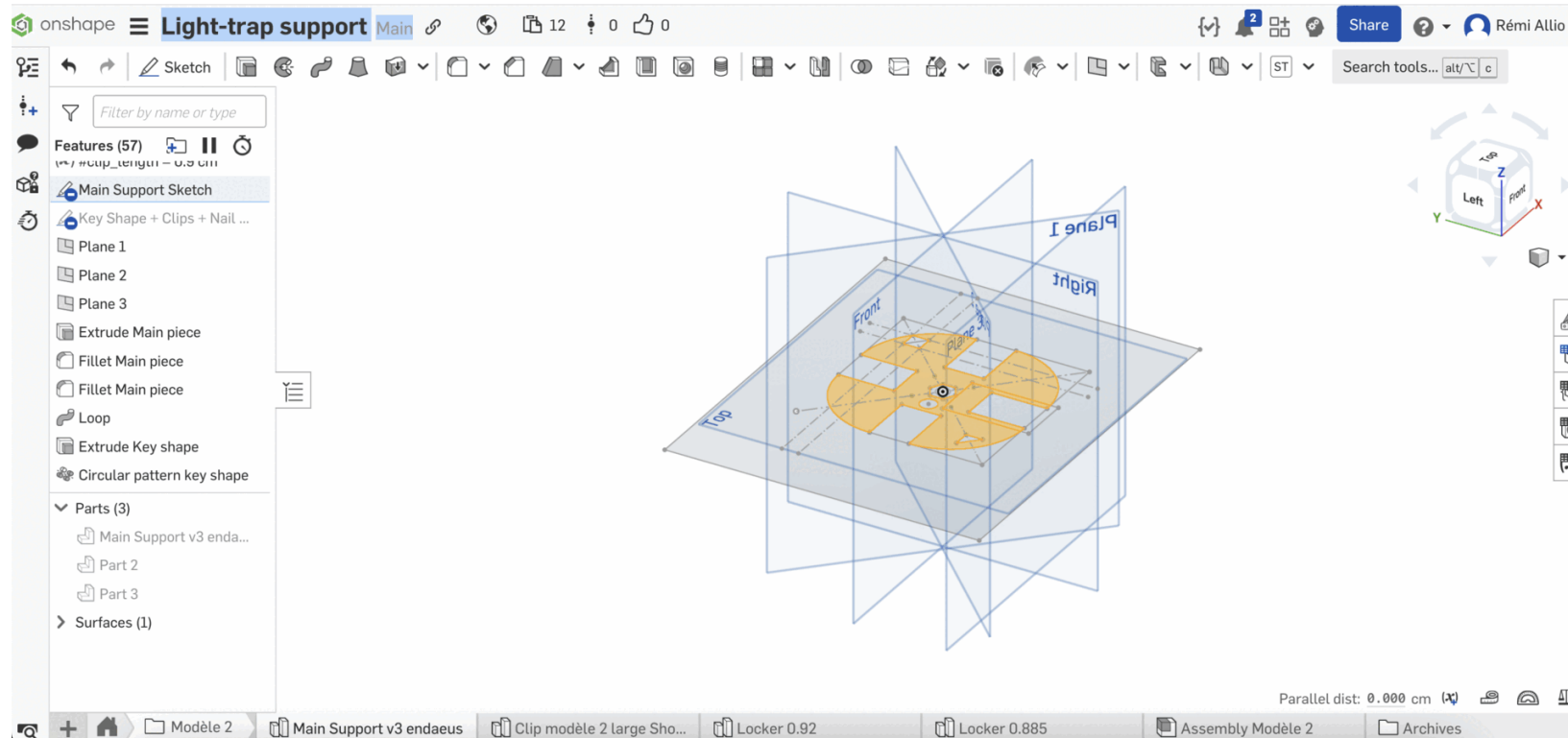


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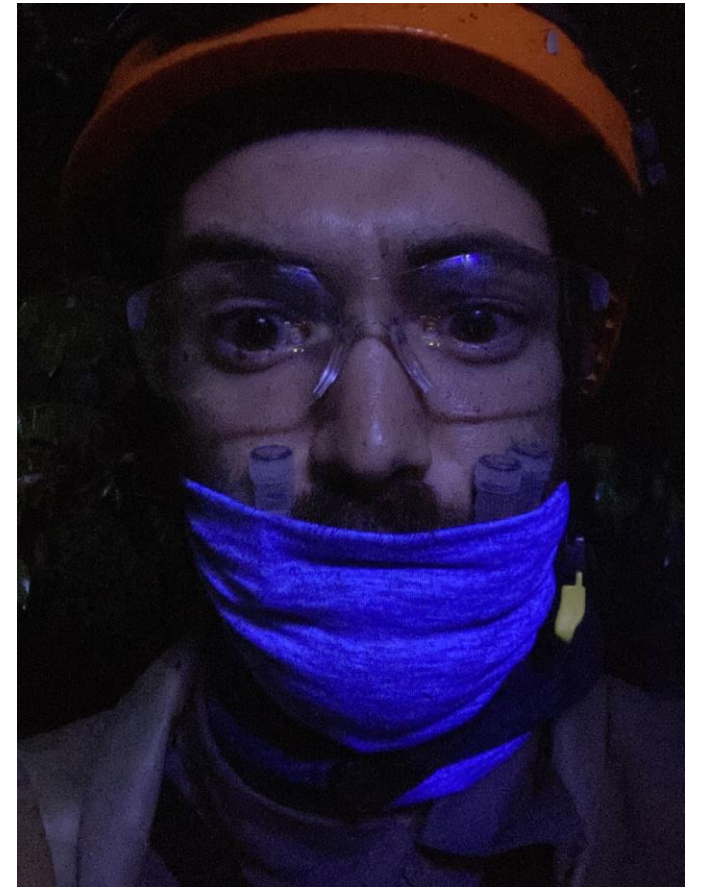


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More than 250 specimens for the targeted genus in ONE NIGHT



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# What's next ?

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**PICT: A low-cost, modular, open-source camera trap system to study plant–insect interactions**

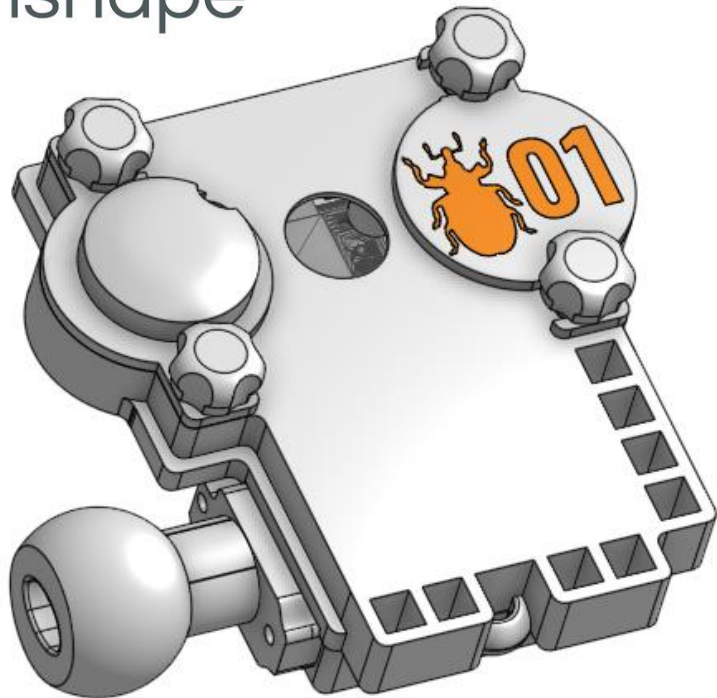
Vincent Droissart , Laura Azandi, Eric Rostand Onguene, Marie Savignac, Thomas B. Smith, Vincent Deblauwe

A great start, but not optimal for our purposes...



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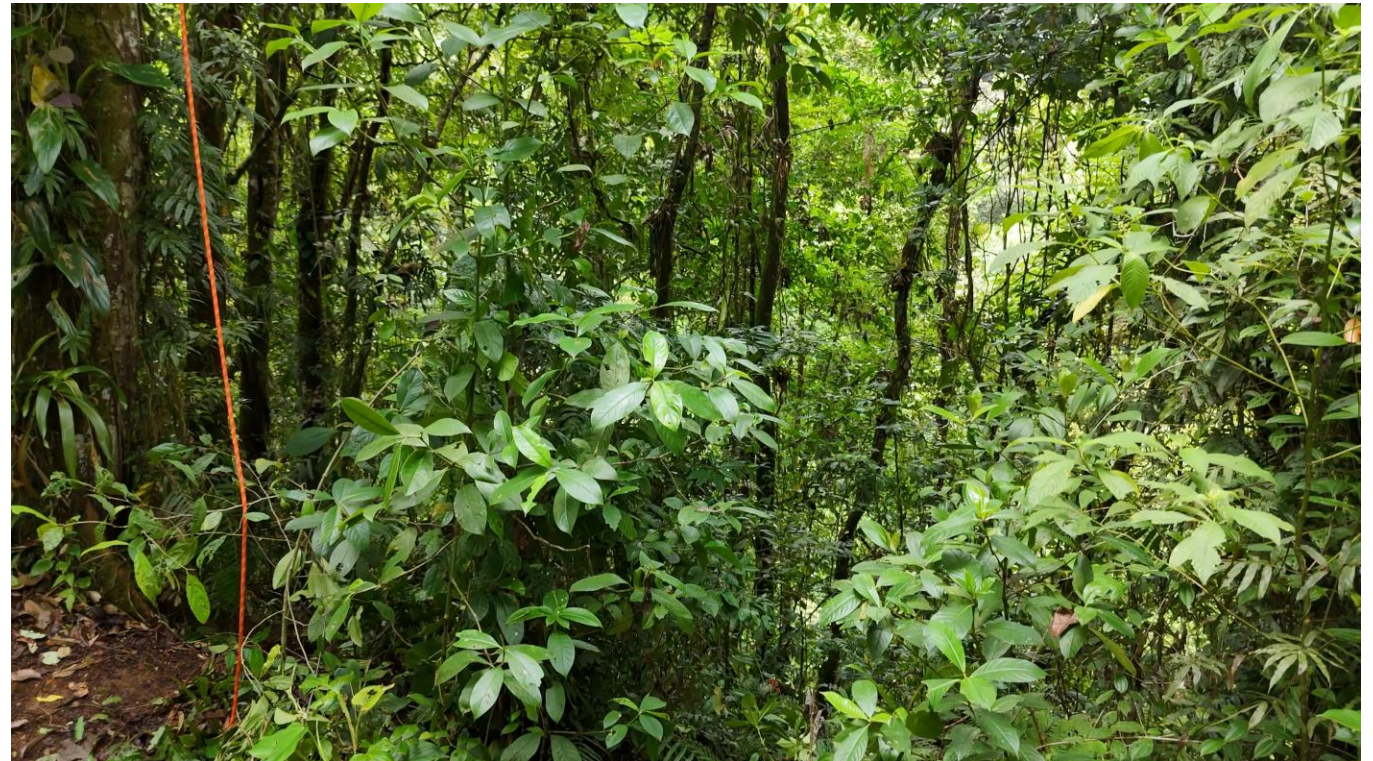
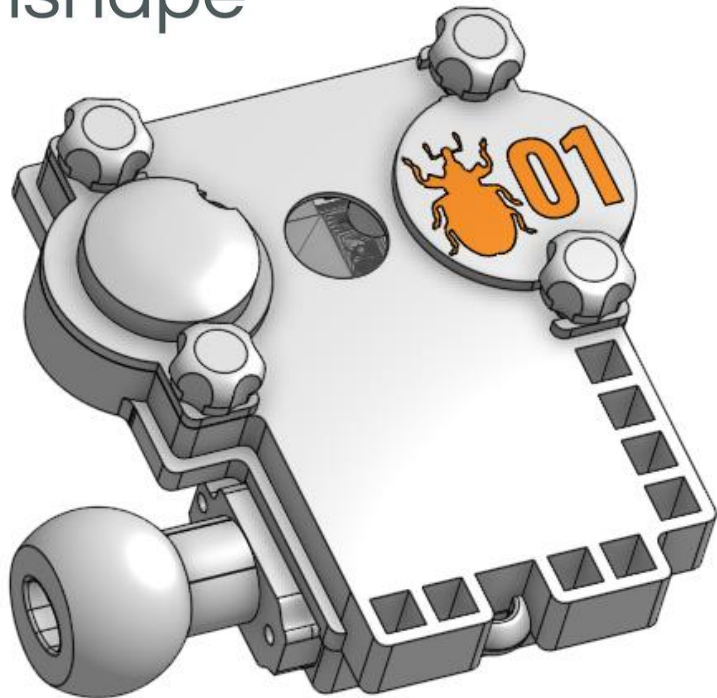
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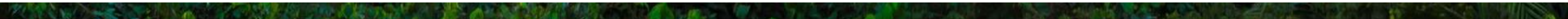
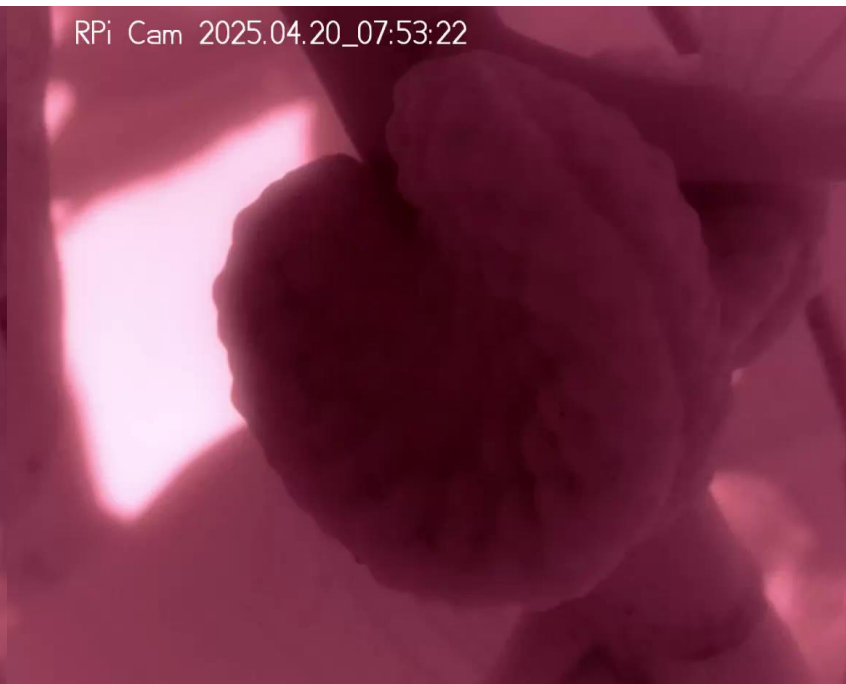
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