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# Overview of the Puerto Rico CBB Area-wide IPM effort

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# The coffee berry borer (*H. hampei*)



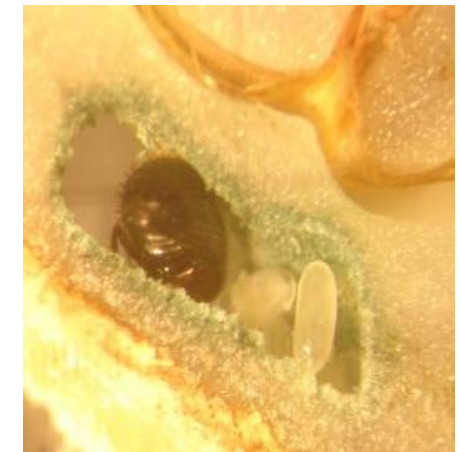
Females starting to colonize the coffee beans

- The coffee berry borer is the most devastating pest of coffee worldwide.

- It was introduced to Puerto Rico in 2007, now is in every coffee-producing region.



Dr. Paul Bayman



Female and its eggs inside the coffee bean

## Managing the Coffee Berry Borer (CBB) in Puerto Rico: An Integrated Multidisciplinary Approach

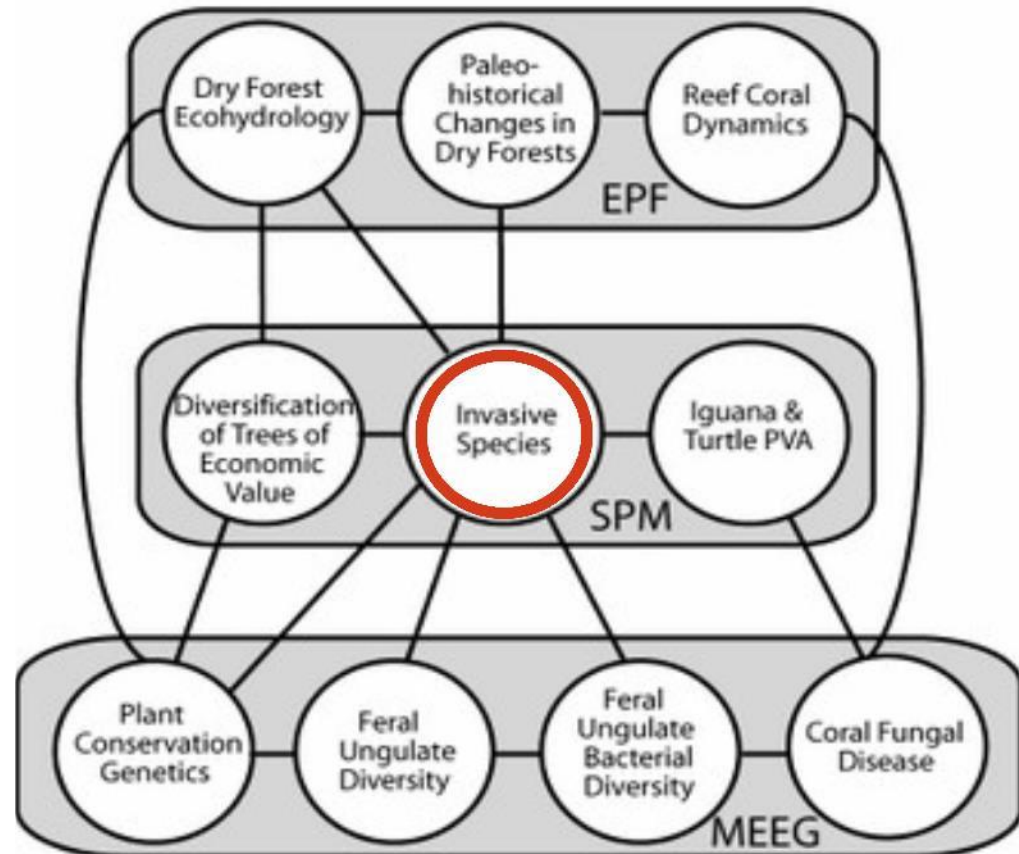
- \* Determine and understand spatial, temporal and ecological patterns of CBB infestation and damage.
- \* Use information about CBB infestation patterns to improve integrated pest control strategies.
- \* Promote cost-effective strategies for growers.



# Research groups & interactions

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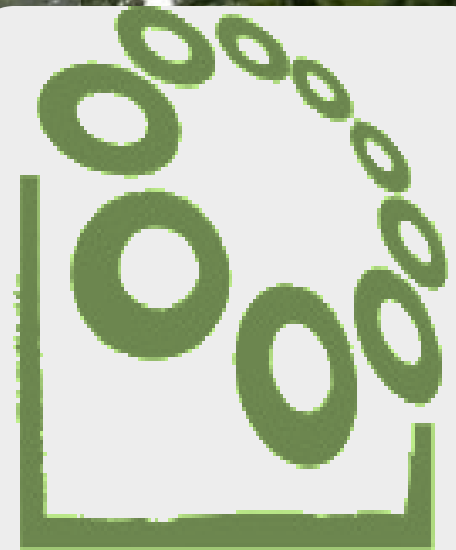




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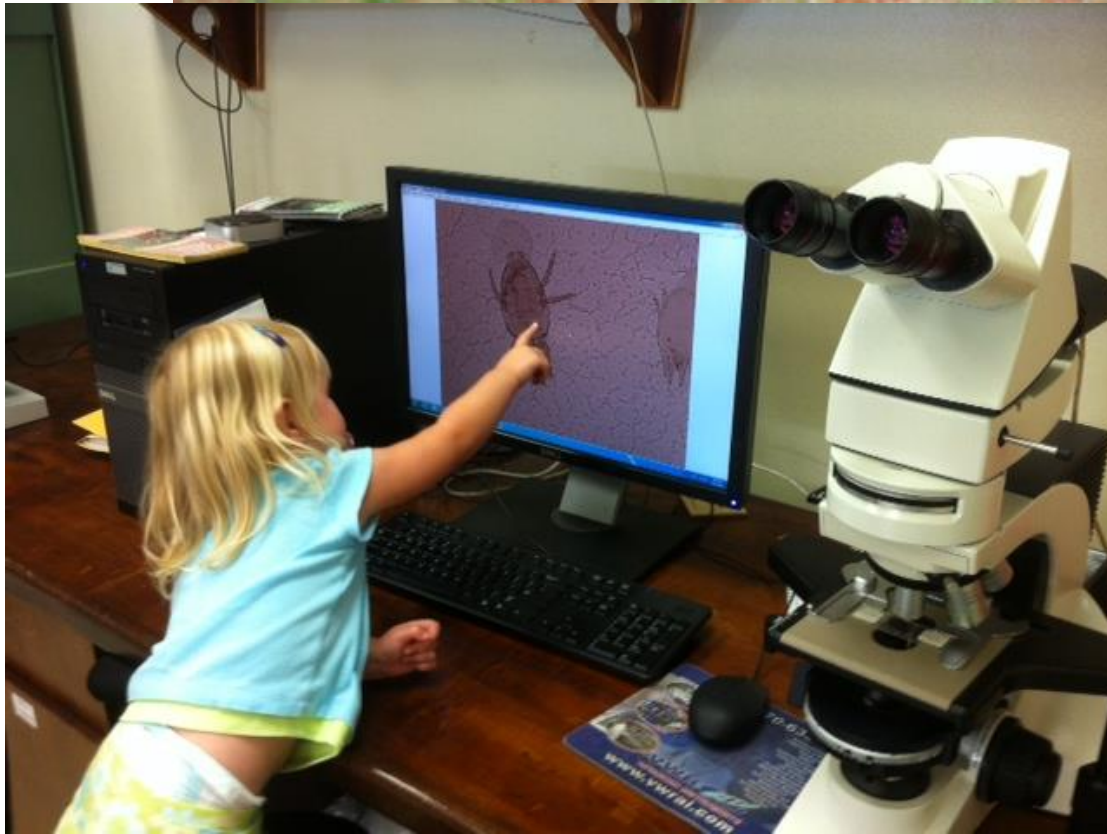
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# *Tools, perceptions and earlier education*

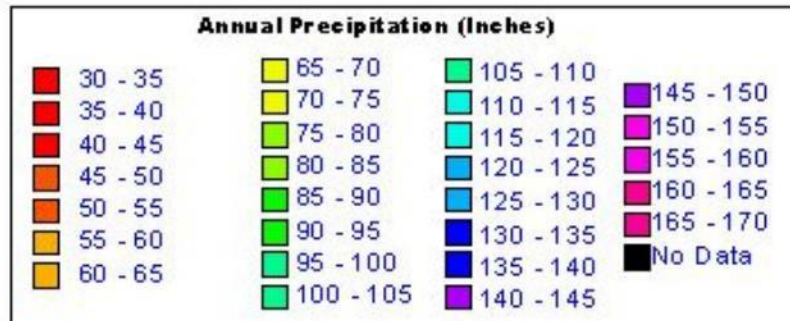
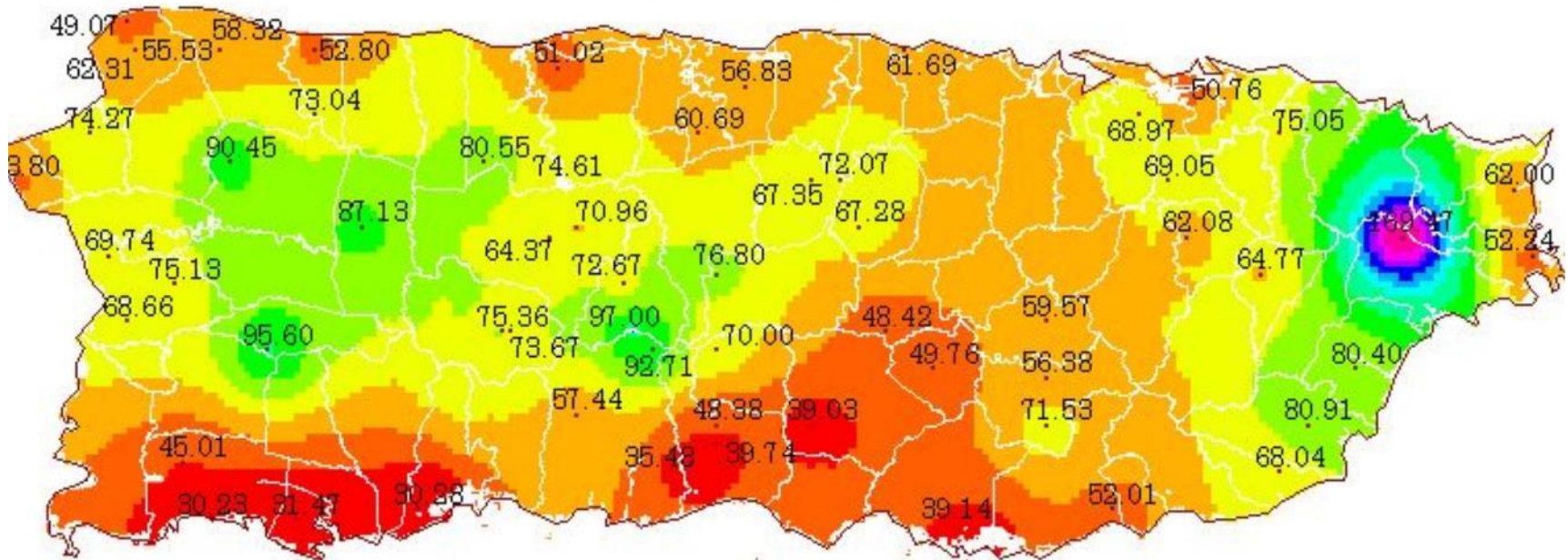


# Caribbean basin - invasive species pathway



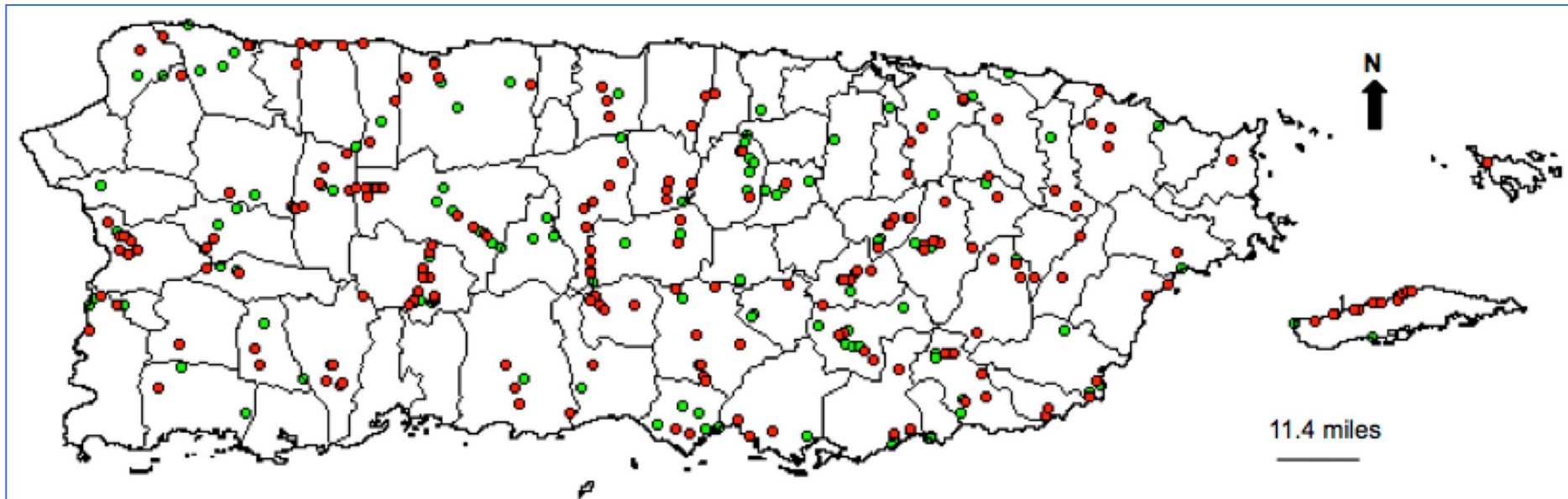


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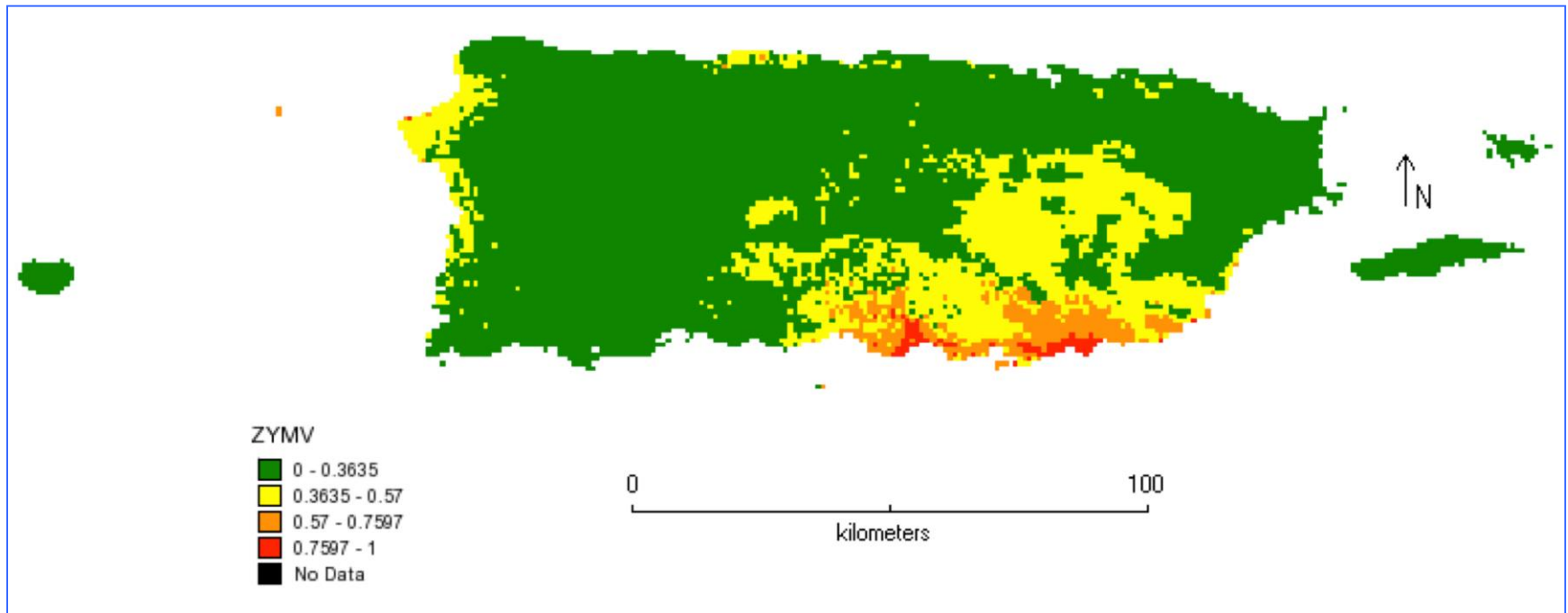




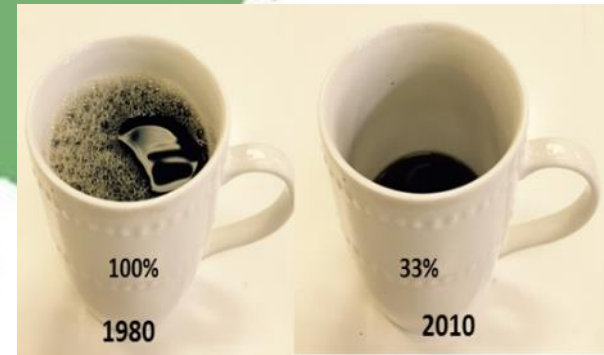
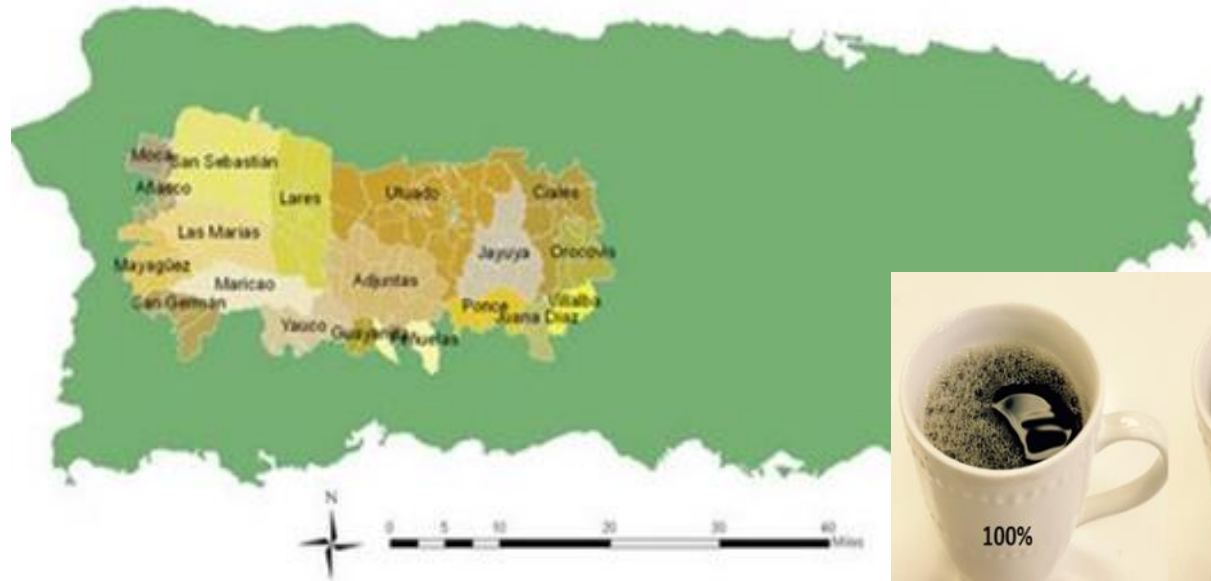
*Momordica charantia* collection sites and occurrence of *Potyvirus* in Puerto Rico. Virus detection was through potyvirus–ELISA serological tests. Map made with DIVA–GIS. Points in green represent a cluster of samples that were negative for *Potyvirus* and those in red were positive.



Potential distribution of the *Potyvirus*, **ZYMV**. Model is based on positive PRSV DAS–ELISA tests. Map was generated by MaxEnt with all 19 environmental variables plus altitude, 10 replicates



# Coffee production in Puerto Rico





# UPR Team



# Production

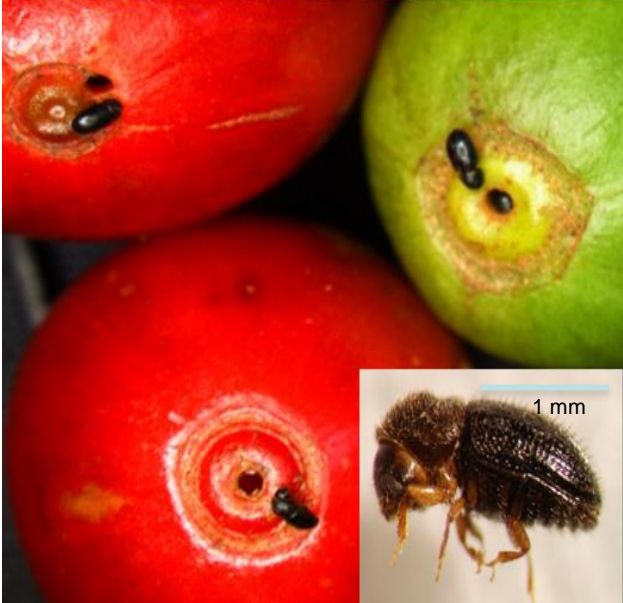
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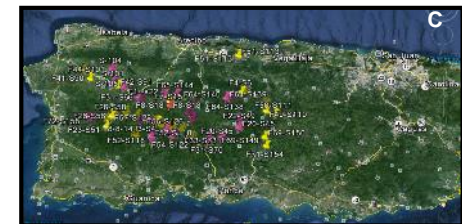
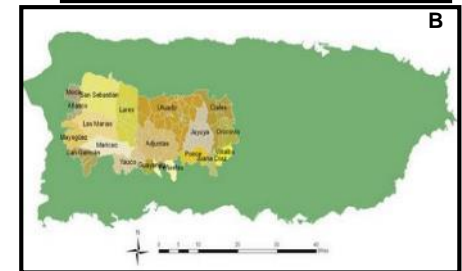
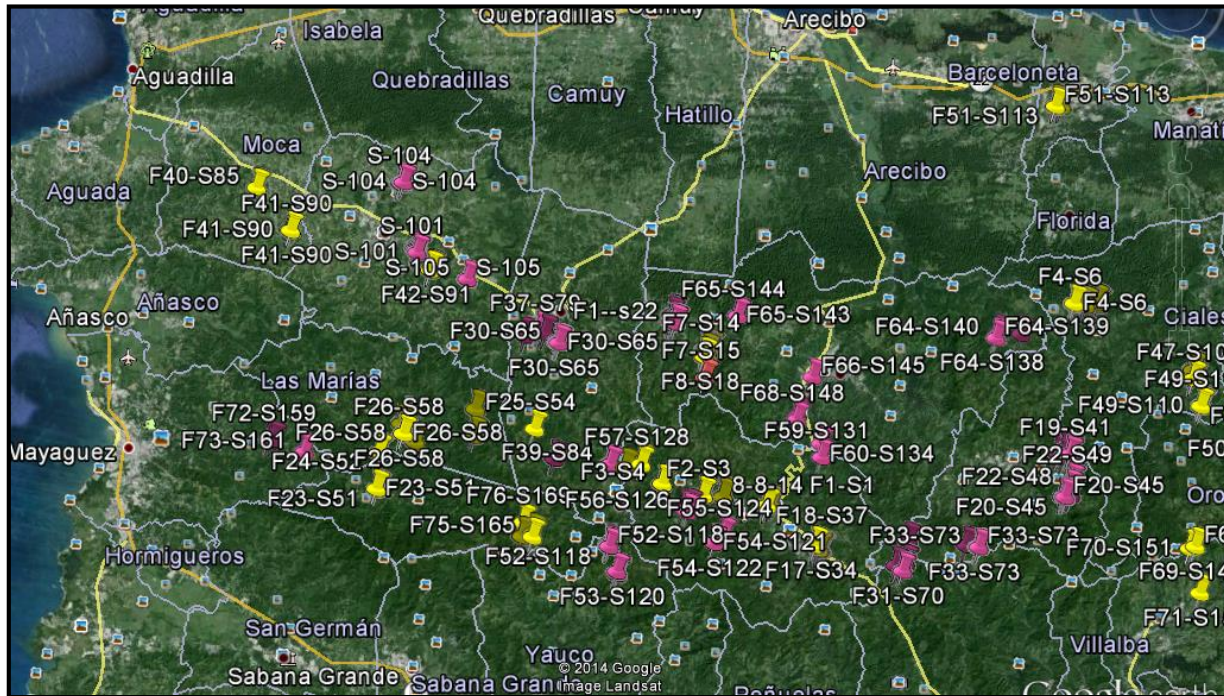
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# STUDY AREA

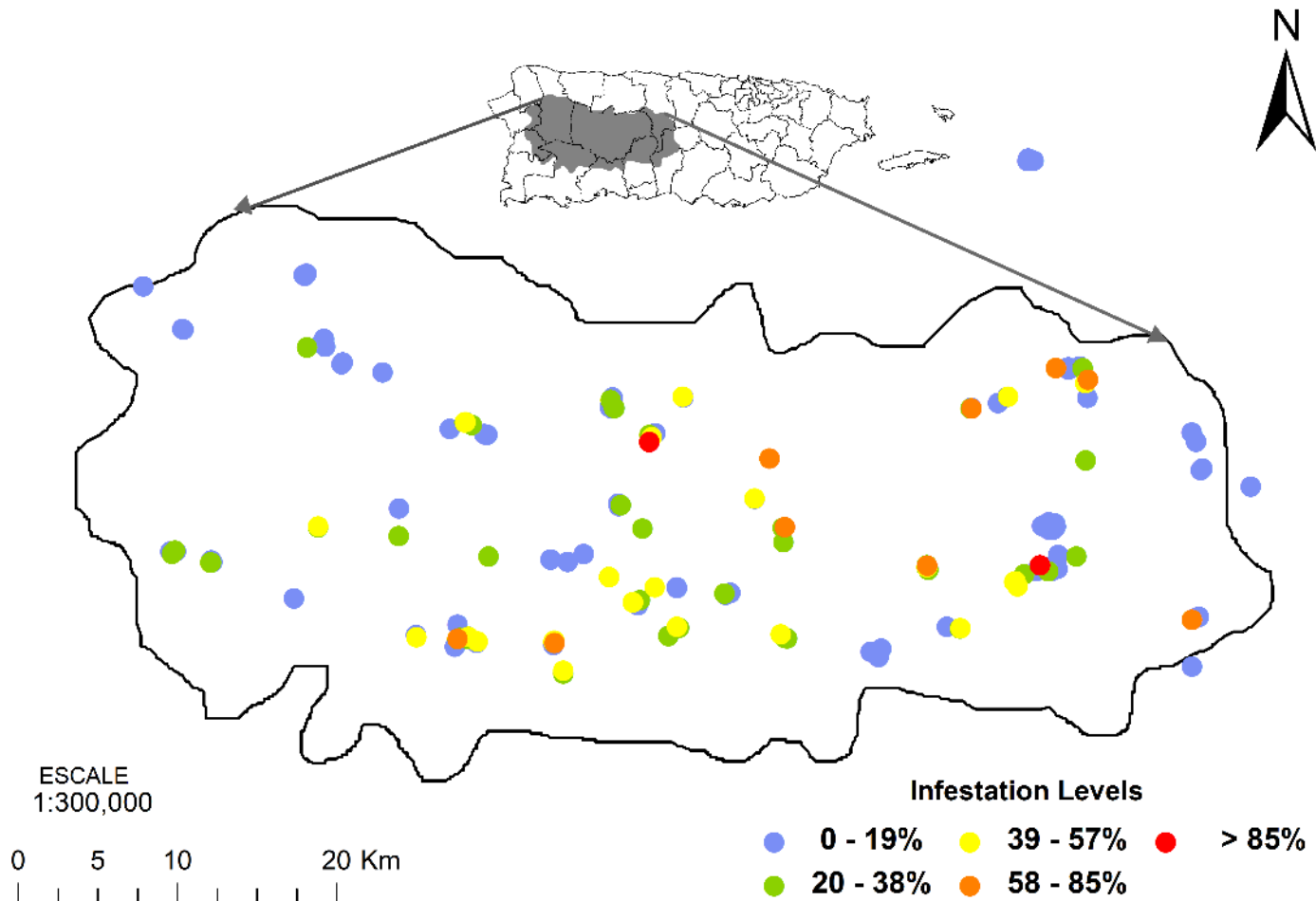
Year 2014

We sampled 214 plots.



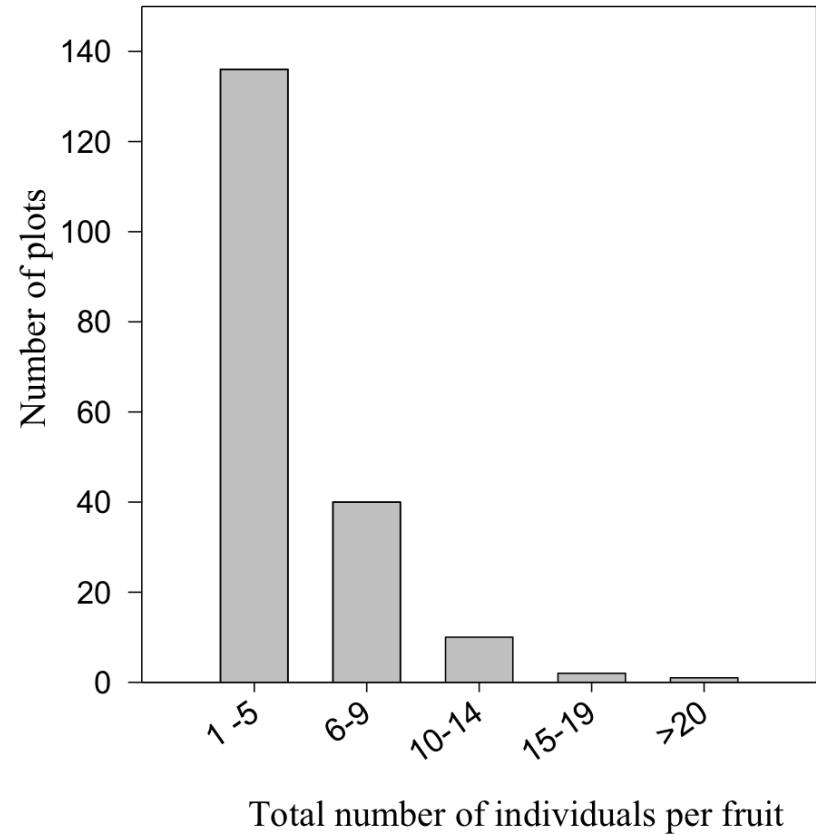
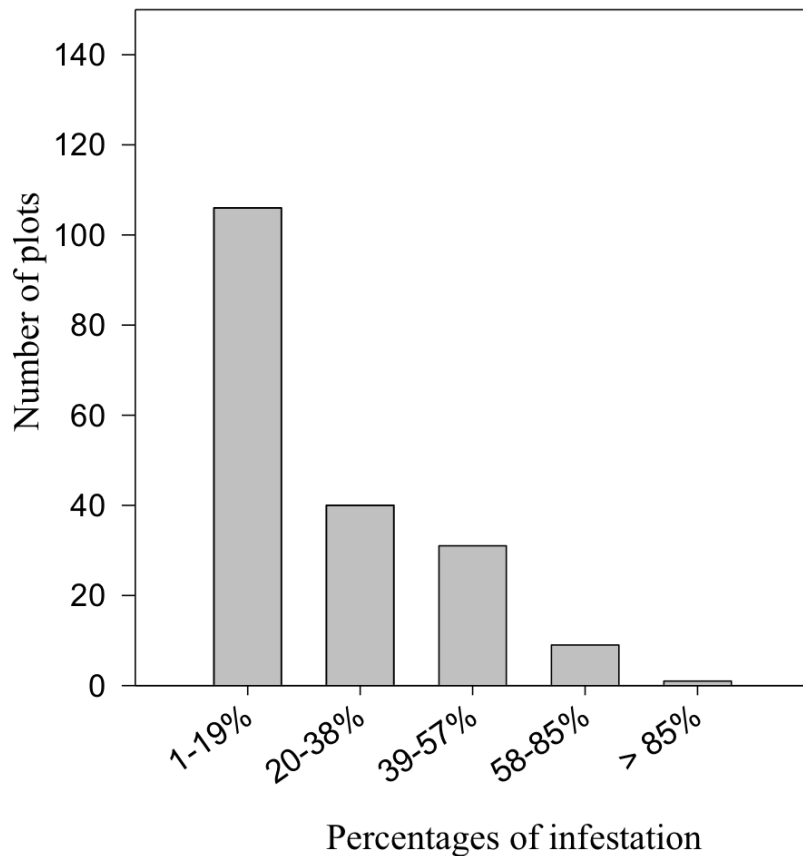
In each plot we took the coordinates, altitude, plants height, density of plants, yield estimates ... + samples for lab.

# Distribution of sites sampled and infestation percentages of the coffee berry borer *Hypothenemus hampei*.





# Distribution of the percentages of infestation and total number of individuals per fruit of the coffee berry borer *Hypothenemus hampei* in Puerto Rico (2014-15)

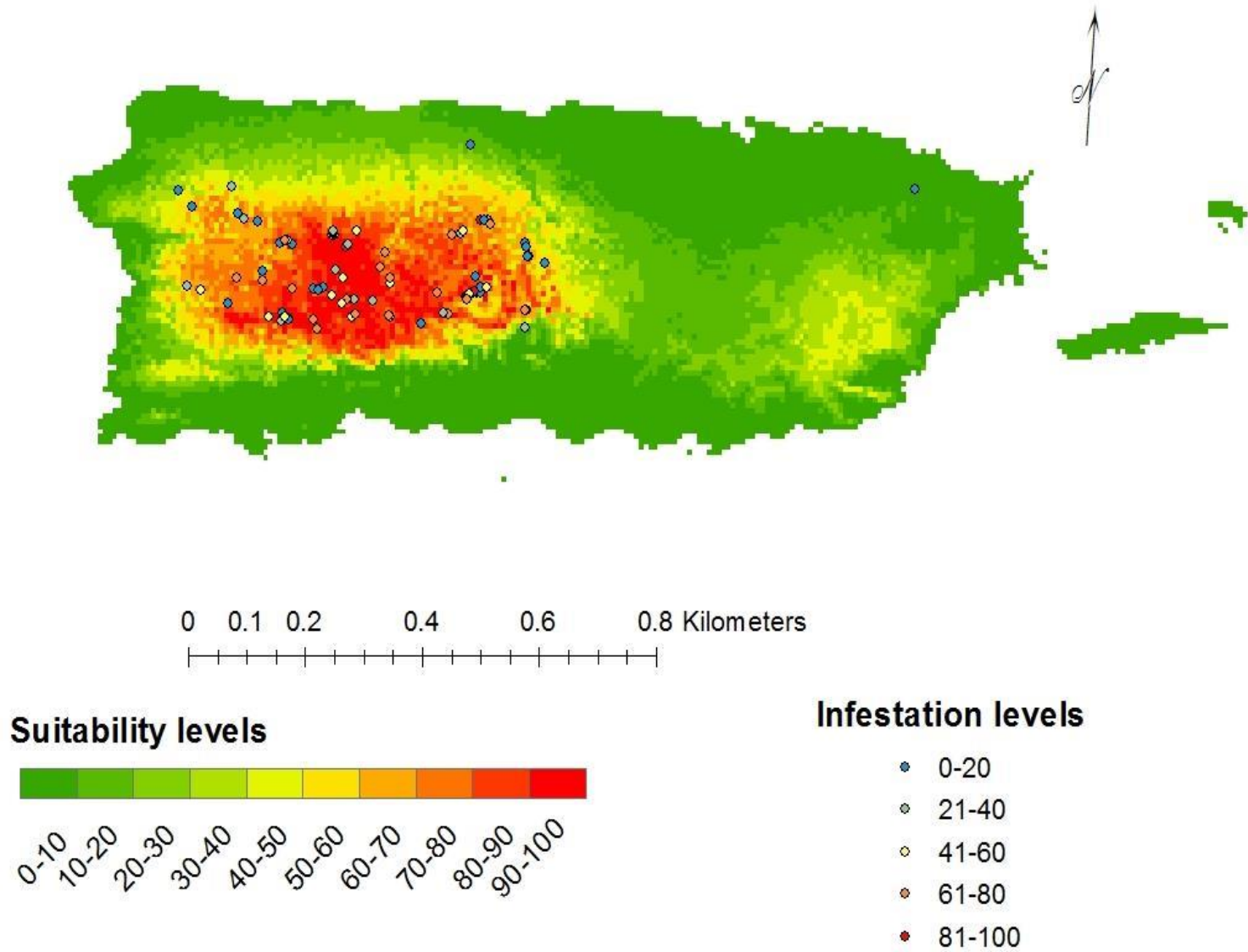


# Bioclimatic variables

- Use in ecological niche modeling
- Representing:
  - Annual trends
  - Seasonality
  - Extreme or limiting environmental factors



# CBB in Puerto Rico



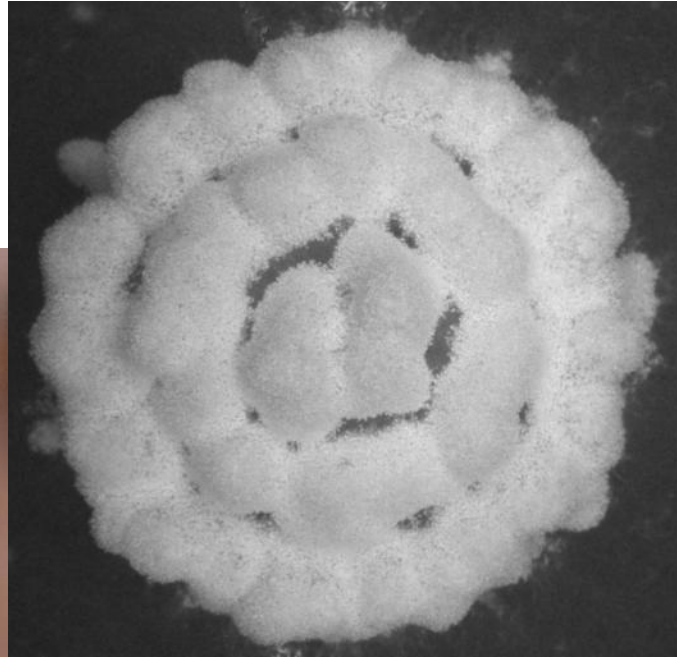
# Analysis of variable contributions

Variable	Description	Percent contribution
ATITUDE	Elevation (mts)	24.4
BIO1 =	Annual Mean Temperature (°C)	0.5
BIO2 =	Mean Diurnal Range (Mean of monthly (max temp - min temp)) (°C)	0.2
BIO3 =	Isothermality (BIO2/BIO7) (*100)	4.9
BIO4 =	Temperature Seasonality (standard deviation * 100)	0.6
BIO5 =	Max Temperature of Warmest Month (°C)	0
BIO6 =	Min Temperature of Coldest Month (°C)	0
BIO7 =	Temperature Annual Range (BIO5-BIO6)	2.9
BIO8 =	Mean Temperature of Wettest Quarter	0.3
BIO9 =	Mean Temperature of Driest Quarter (°C)	0.3
BIO10 =	Mean Temperature of Warmest Quarter (°C)	0.7
BIO11 =	Mean Temperature of Coldest Quarter (°C)	0.3
BIO12 =	Annual Precipitation (mm)	0.8
BIO13 =	Precipitation of Wettest Month (mm)	4.1
BIO14 =	Precipitation of Driest Month (mm)	1.9
BIO15 =	Precipitation Seasonality (Coefficient of Variation)	15.3
BIO16 =	Precipitation of Wettest Quarter (mm)	33.3
BIO17 =	Precipitation of Driest Quarter (mm)	3.4
BIO18 =	precipitation of Warmest Quarter (mm)	1.3
BIO19 =	Precipitation of Coldest Quarter (mm)	4.8

# Research on CBB in Puerto Rico



# Collect, identify and test native strains of Bb and nematodes for biocontrol of CBB



# Establish demonstration plots with traps, Bb and complete collection of fruits



# outreach to growers and the public







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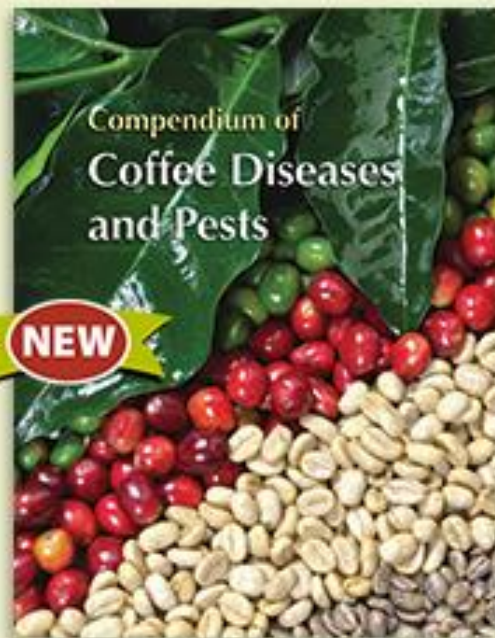
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