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**Abeilles,  
pollinisation,  
agriculture  
& biodiversité**

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**A quoi servent les abeilles  
au 21<sup>ème</sup> siècle sur le  
pourtour méditerranéen?**

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2. Pollinisation entomophile & biodiversité
3. Pollinisation entomophile & agriculture

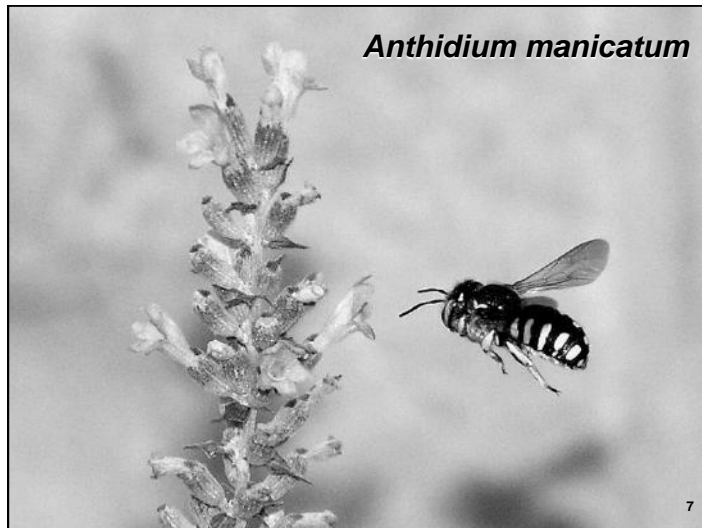
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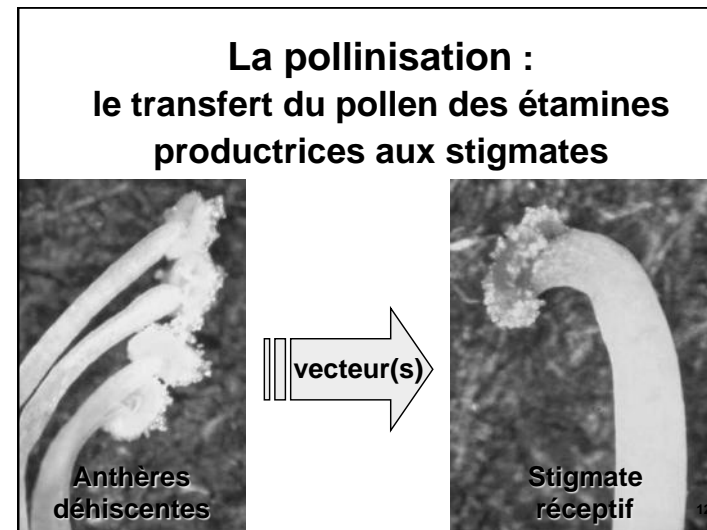
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pollinisation**

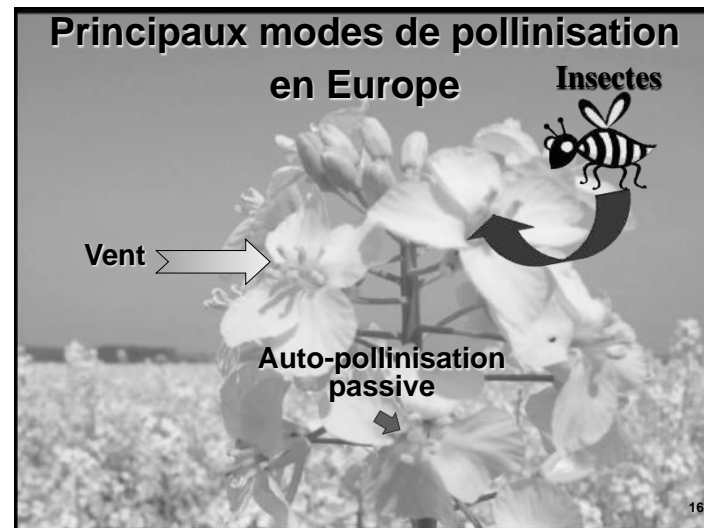
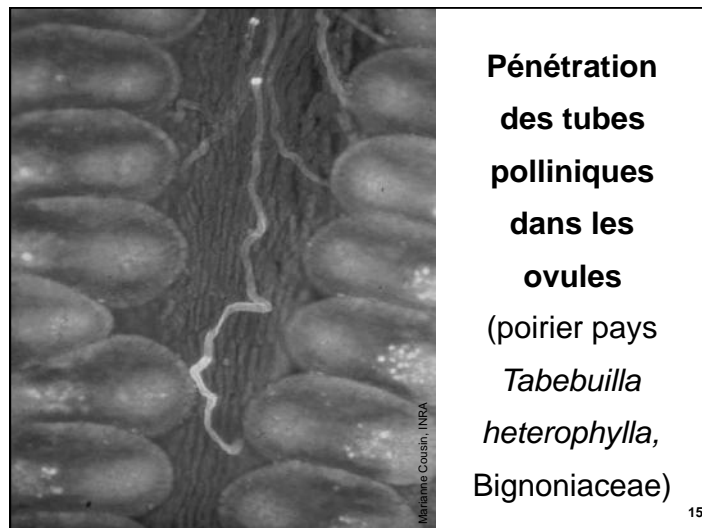
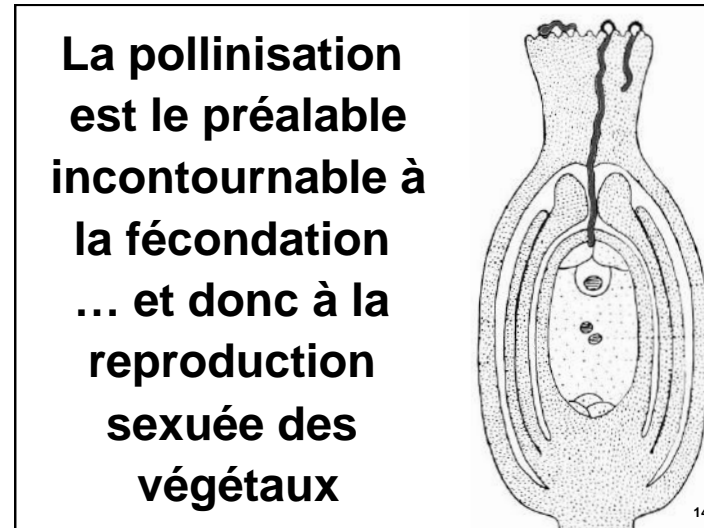
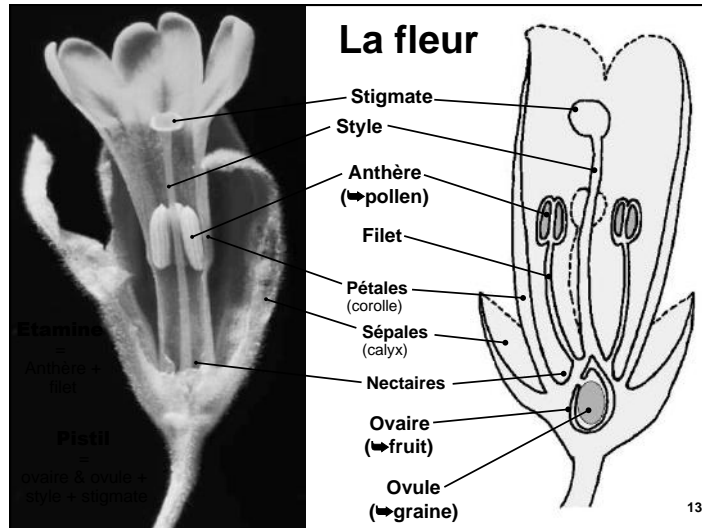
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**L'abeille mellifère,  
*Apis mellifera* L.**

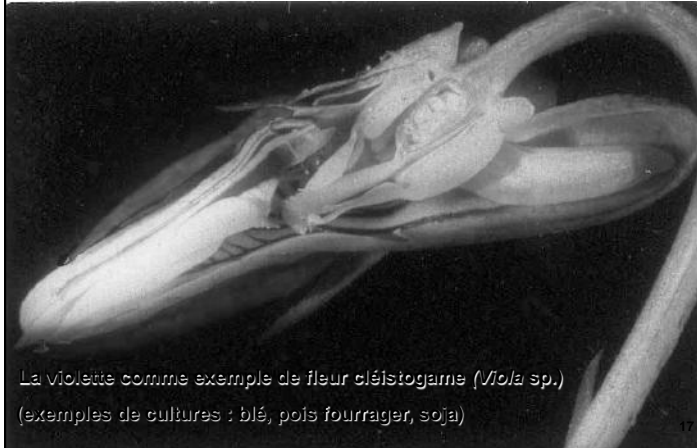
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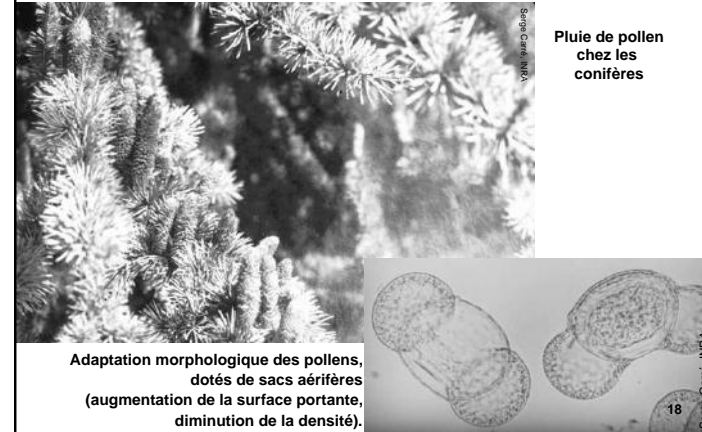




## Auto-pollinisation passive

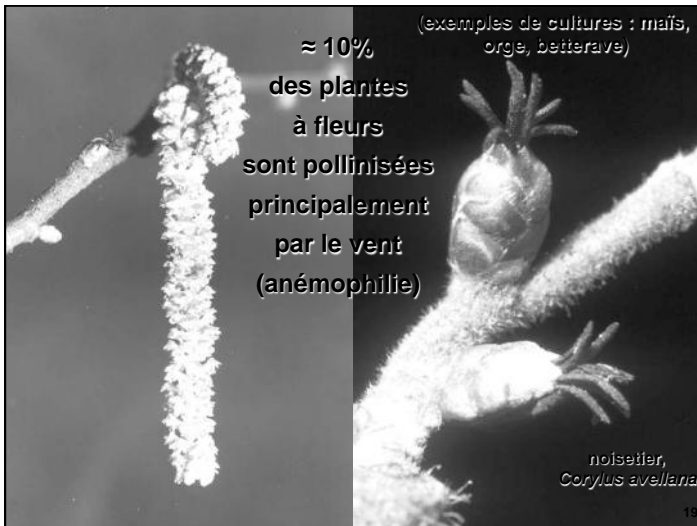


## La pollinisation par le vent (anémophilie)



≈ 10%  
des plantes  
à fleurs  
sont pollinisées  
principalement  
par le vent  
(anémophilie)

(exemples de cultures : maïs,  
orge, betterave)



## Pollinisation entomophile (= par les insectes)






**Les  
principaux  
insectes**



**pollinisateurs  
sont**



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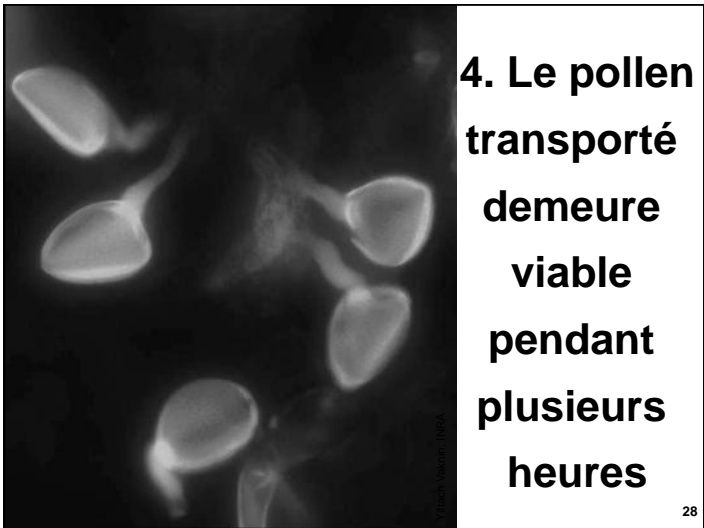
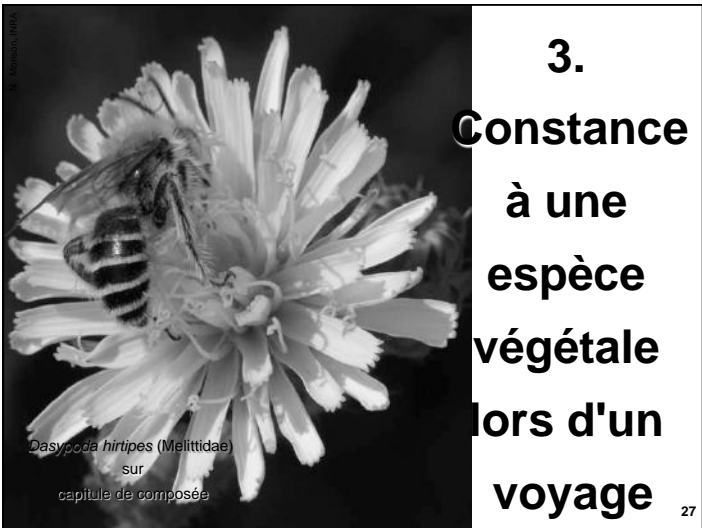
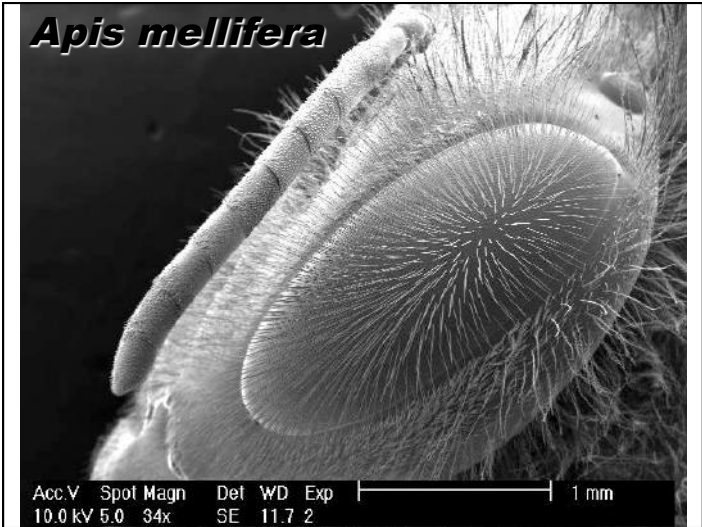
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Morphologie**

**Abeille  
≈  
poils  
branchus**

*Agapostemon angelicus*  
(halicte)

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**Co-évolution entre les abeilles et les plantes depuis le début du Crétacé**  
 [Crepet WL. 1984. Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. 71:607-630; Poinard & Danforth 2006 Science 314:614]

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**Biodiversité des plantes à fleurs...**

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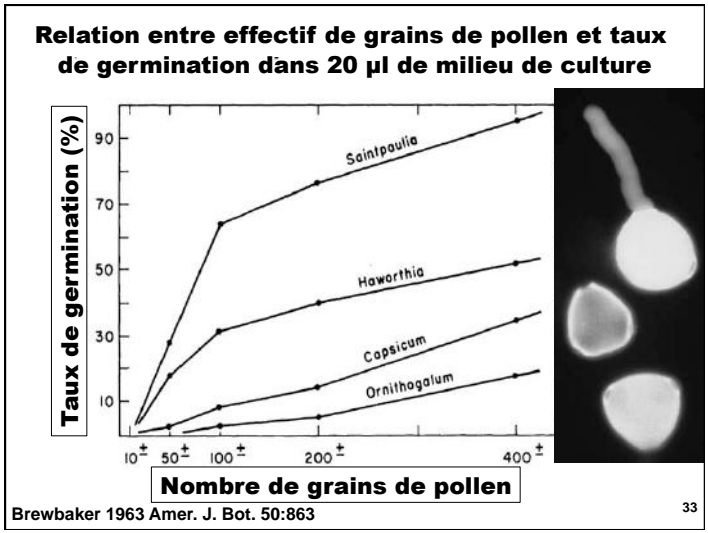


**Mutualisme, mais acte de pollinisation involontaire**

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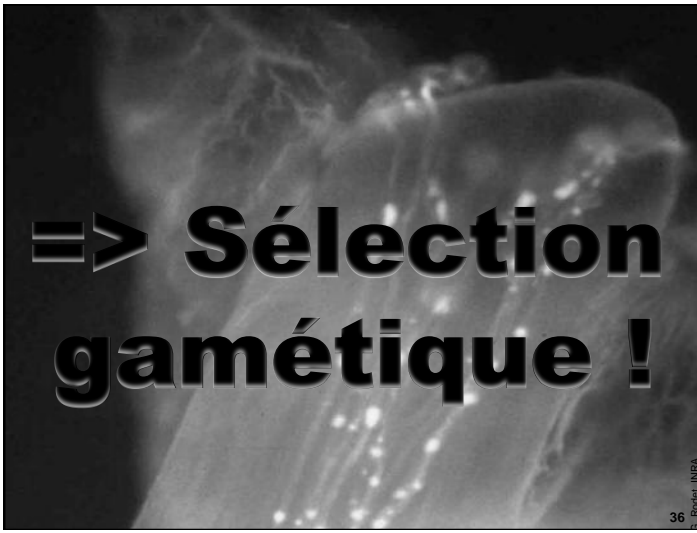






**La croissance du tube pollinique est un parasitisme : l'accession à l'ovule dépend des relations qui auront pu s'établir, ou non, entre le grain de pollen et le pistil**

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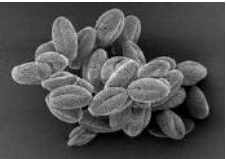


**Le butinage des abeilles s'accompagne d'une mise en suspension du pollen**

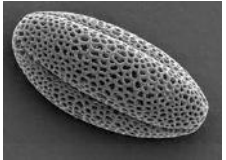


*Apis mellifera*  
sur maïs *Zea mays*

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**Original article**

**Efficiency of airborne pollen released by honeybee foraging on pollination in oilseed rape: a wind insect-assisted pollination\***

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**Abstract** – Oilseed rape (*Brassica napus* L.) is an entomophilous crop. Its pollen is covered with sticky pollenkit and not readily released from the anthers. We investigated the role of foraging honeybees in making this pollen airborne. To assess this, six cages were laid over male-sterile (MS) and male-sterile (MS) plants, at flowering, three cages received a honeybee colony while the others served as controls. On average, approximately 25% more pollen grains were deposited on sticky slides (covered with gauze) in cages with honeybees, compared to control cages. The fruit and seed set per non-empty pod of 5 MS plants bagged under gauze to avoid bee visits were 7 times and 2.4 times lighter, respectively, in the cages with honeybees than in control cages without honeybees. These results demonstrate the role of bees in releasing airborne pollen, as well as the effectiveness of this insect-assisted wind pollination: at close range, honeybees participate to pollination without touching the female flowers.

*Apis mellifera* / airborne pollen / pollination / *Brassica napus*

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**Les relations plantes-abeilles peuvent être très étroites**

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# 2. Abeilles & biodiversité

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## Abeilles et milieux naturels



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### How many flowering plants are pollinated by animals?

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It is clear that the majority of flowering plants are pollinated by insects and other animals, with a minority utilizing abiotic pollen vectors, mainly wind. However there is no accurate published calculation of the proportion of the ca 352 000 species of angiosperms that interact with pollinators. Widely cited figures range from 67% to 96% but these have not been based on firm data. We estimated the number and proportion of flowering plants that are pollinated by animals using published and unpublished community-level surveys of plant-pollination systems that recorded whether each species present was pollinated by animals or wind. The proportion of animal-pollinated species rises from a mean of 78% in temperate-zone communities to 94% in tropical communities. By correcting for the latitudinal diversity trend in flowering plants, we estimate the global number and proportion of animal-pollinated angiosperms as 208 006, which is 87.5% of the estimated species-level diversity of flowering plants. Given current concerns about the decline in pollinators and the possible resulting impacts on both natural communities and agricultural crops, such estimates are vital to both ecologists and policy makers. Further research is required to assess in detail the absolute dependency of these plants on their pollinators, and how this varies with latitude and community type, but there is no doubt that plant-pollinator interactions play a significant role in maintaining the functional integrity of most terrestrial ecosystems.

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## Leur activité pollinisatrice !

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**80% des plantes à fleurs**



**en zones tempérés  
pollinisées par les insectes  
(abeilles)**

H. Maurer, Antropocène


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**Pollinisation et structure des  
peuplements végétaux**

<p><b>pollinisation par le vent</b></p> <p>Grandes populations avec densité élevée et faible diversité</p> <p>(graminées, conifères et espèces forestière à feuilles caduques comme le chêne <i>Quercus</i> spp.)</p>	<p><b>pollinisation par les abeilles</b></p> <p>Individus isolés ou en groupes dispersés, densité souvent faible et grande diversité</p> <p>(sauge <i>Salvia</i> dans les prairies; merisier <i>Prunus</i> dans les bois et les haies)</p>
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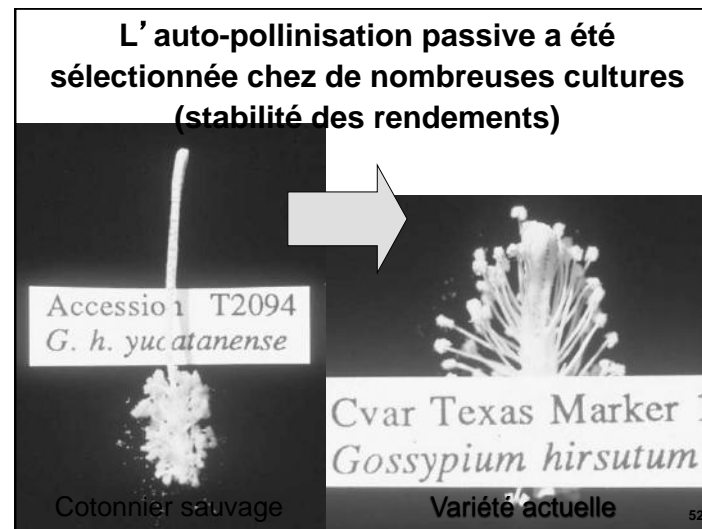
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**Abeilles =>**



**biodiversité  
végétale**







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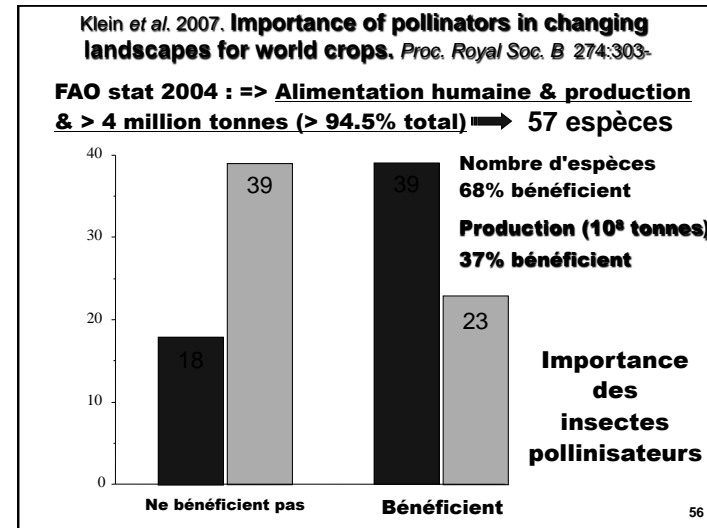
**Importance of pollinators in changing landscapes for world crops**

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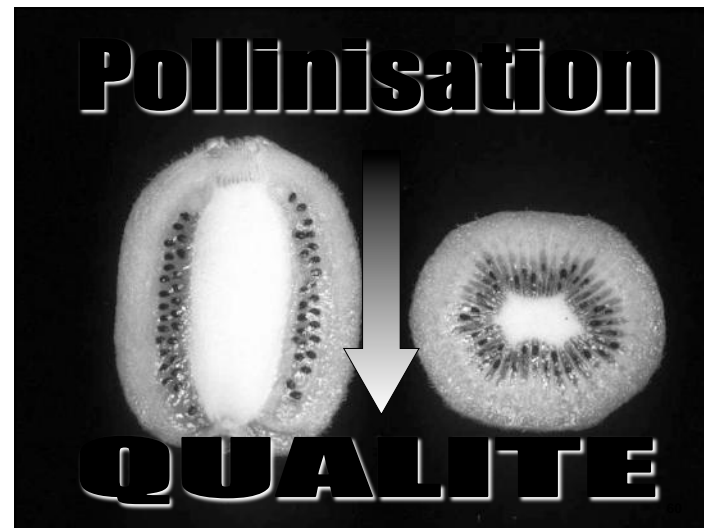
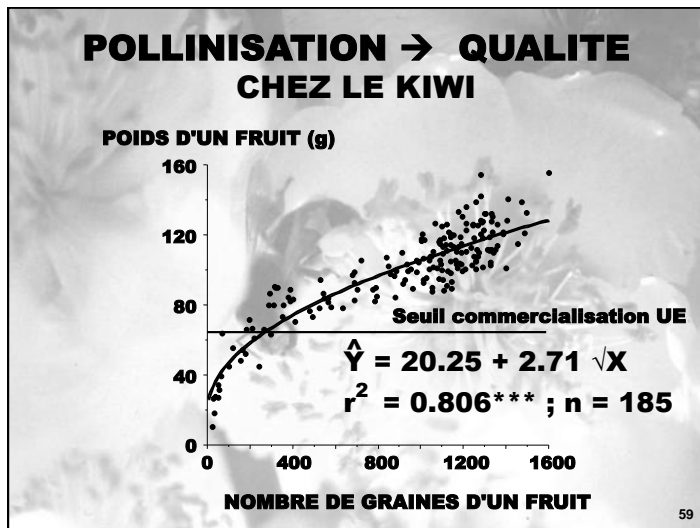
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The extent of our reliance on animal pollination for world crop production for human food has not previously been evaluated and the previous estimates for countries or continents have seldom used primary data. In this review, we expand the previous estimates using novel primary data from 200 countries and found that fruit, vegetable or seed production from 87 of the leading global food crops is dependent upon animal pollination, while 28 crops do not rely upon animal pollination. However, global production volumes give a contrasting perspective, since 60% of global production comes from crops that do not

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PLANT–ANIMAL INTERACTIONS · ORIGINAL RESEARCH

**Insect pollination enhances seed yield, quality, and market value in oilseed rape**

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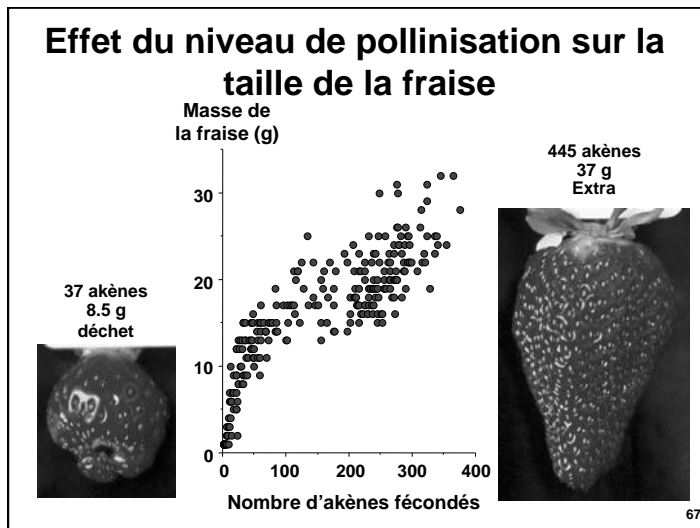
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**Abstract** The relationships between landscape intersti-  
tution, the abundance and diversity of pollinating insects,  
and their contributions to crop yield, quality, and market  
value are poorly studied, despite observed declines in wild  
and domesticated pollinators. Abundance and species  
richness of pollinating insects were estimated in ten fields  
of spring oilseed rape, *Brassica napus* var. ‘SW Stamina™’,  
located along a gradient of landscape compositions ranging  
from simple landscapes dominated by arable land to het-  
erogeneous landscapes with extensive cover of semi-natural  
habitats. In each field, we assessed the contribution of  
wind and insect pollination to seed yield, seed quality  
(individual seed weight and oil and chlorophyll) contents,  
and market value in a block experiment with four replicates  
and two treatments: (1) all flowers were accessible to  
insects, self and wind pollination, and (2) flowers enclosed  
in tall net bags (mesh: 1 × 1 mm) were accessible only to  
wind and self pollination. Complex landscapes enhanced  
the overall abundance of wild insects as well as the  
abundance and species richness of hoverflies. This did not  
translate to a higher yield, probably due to consistent

pollination by honey bees across all fields. However, the  
pollination experiment showed that insects increased seed  
weight per plant by 18% and market value by 20%. Seed  
quality was enhanced by insect pollination, rendering  
heavier seeds as well as higher oil and lower chlorophyll  
contents, clearly showing that insect pollination is required  
to reach high seed yield and quality in oilseed rape. Our  
study demonstrates considerable and previously undocu-  
mented contributions from pollinating insects to both the  
yield and the market value of oilseed rape.

**Keywords** *Brassica napus* · Crop pollination · Honey bee ·  
Hoverflies · Landscape heterogeneity

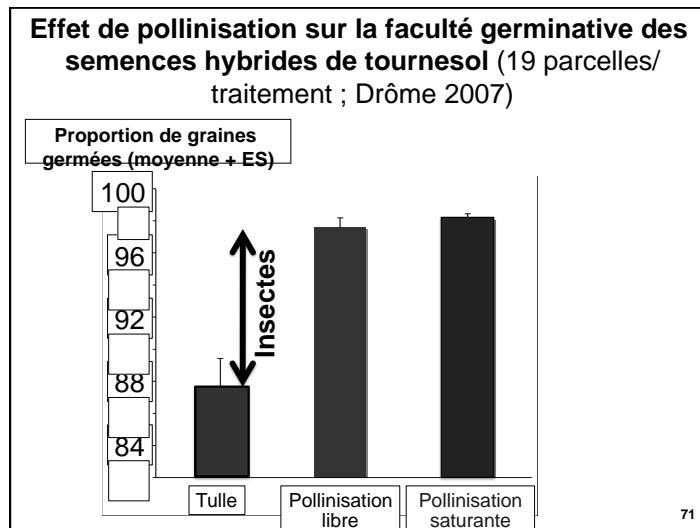
**Introduction**  
Pollination by insects has been identified as an important  
and endangered ecosystem service (e.g., Allon-Wardell  
et al. 1998; Potts et al. 2010). Despite this, there is a lack  
of up to date studies on pollination of crops, and there is  
surprisingly little information available on the extent to





**INCIDENCE DE LA POLLINISATION  
PAR LES ABEILLES**

- **précocité & récolte groupée**  
(ravageurs; récolte mécanisée)
- **meilleure qualité germinative**  
(oignon & tournesol + 10%)



**Abeilles et  
Agriculture**

**=>**




**RENDEMENT &  
QUALITE**



**D**  
=  
**Coefficient  
de dépendance  
(agronomique) aux  
insectes pollinisateurs**




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**Dépendance aux insectes pollinisateurs**

 <b>13 cultures</b>	<b>Essentiel (D &gt; 90%)</b>
 <b>30 cultures</b>	<b>Fort (40% &lt; D ≤ 90%)</b>
 <b>27 cultures</b>	<b>Modeste (10% &lt; D ≤ 40%)</b>

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**Dépendance aux insectes pollinisateurs**

 <b>21 cultures</b>	<b>Faible (0% &lt; D ≤ 10%)</b>
 <b>1 culture</b>	<b>Nulle (D = 0%)</b>
	

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**ANALYSIS**

**Economic valuation of the vulnerability of world agriculture confronted with pollinator decline**

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**Valeur de l'activité des pollinisateurs**

**153 milliards € en 2005**  
(≈ 10% chiffre d'affaire de l'activité agricole)

**ABSTRACT**

There is mounting evidence of pollinator decline all over the world and consequences in many agricultural systems could be significant. We assessed these consequences by measuring 1) the contribution of insect pollination to the world agricultural output economic value, and 2) the vulnerability of world agriculture in the face of pollinator decline. We used a bioeconomic approach, which integrated the production dependence of crops on pollinators, crop production, and the economic value of pollination services. The world agricultural output value was estimated to be 470 billion € in 2005. The world agricultural output value of pollination services was estimated to be 153 billion € in 2005. In terms of welfare, the consumer surplus loss was estimated between 450 and 480 billion € in 2005. The world agricultural output value of pollination services was estimated to be 153 billion € in 2005, followed by edible oil crops, stimulants, nuts and spices. The production

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# Quels insectes pour maximiser la pollinisation ?

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## L'abeille mellifère



## Le bourdon terrestre, *Bombus terrestris*



## les autres abeilles ?







## Et les mouches (syrphes) ?

Jean-Pierre Sarrhoun

## Wild bees enhance honey bees' pollination of hybrid sunflower

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Research on insect pollination has focused on the honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) as the dominant pollinator of many crops. However, the role of other pollinators is becoming increasingly apparent. The field of insect pollination research is now expanding to include the study of other pollinators and their interactions with honey bees. This research is important because it can help us to understand the complex interactions between different pollinators and how they affect crop yields. In particular, the study of wild bees and their interactions with honey bees is becoming increasingly important. Wild bees can provide a range of services to crops, including pollination, and they can also interact with honey bees in a variety of ways. Some wild bees can compete with honey bees for flowers, while others can complement their pollination services. Understanding these interactions is crucial for developing strategies to improve crop yields and sustainability.

**Abstract** Honey bees (*Apis mellifera*) are the principal species used for crop pollination in many countries. However, the role of other pollinators is becoming increasingly apparent. The field of insect pollination research is now expanding to include the study of other pollinators and their interactions with honey bees. This research is important because it can help us to understand the complex interactions between different pollinators and how they affect crop yields. In particular, the study of wild bees and their interactions with honey bees is becoming increasingly important. Wild bees can provide a range of services to crops, including pollination, and they can also interact with honey bees in a variety of ways. Some wild bees can compete with honey bees for flowers, while others can complement their pollination services. Understanding these interactions is crucial for developing strategies to improve crop yields and sustainability.

## Les interactions interspécifiques entre les abeilles domestiques et les abeilles sauvages augmentent l'efficacité pollinisatrice des abeilles domestiques jusqu'à 5 fois

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## Synergistic effects of non-*Apis* bees and honey bees for pollination services

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In diverse pollinator communities, interspecific interactions may modify the behaviour and increase the pollination effectiveness of individual species. Because agricultural production reliant on pollination is growing, improving pollination effectiveness could increase crop yield without any increase in agricultural intensity or area. In California almonds, a crop highly dependent on honey bee pollination, we explored the foraging behaviour and pollination effectiveness of honey bees in orchards with simple (honey bee only) and diverse (non-*Apis* bees present) bee communities. In orchards with non-*Apis* bees, the foraging behaviour of honey bees changed and the pollination effectiveness of a single honey bee visit was greater than in orchards where non-*Apis* bees were absent. This change translated to a greater proportion of fruit set in these orchards. Our field experiments show that increased pollinator diversity can synergistically increase pollination service, through species interactions that alter the behaviour and resulting functional quality of a dominant pollinator species. These results of functional synergy between species were supported by an additional controlled cage experiment with *Osmia lignaria* and *Apis mellifera*. Our findings highlight a largely unexplored facilitative component of the benefit of biodiversity to ecosystem services, and represent a way to improve pollinator-dependent crop yields in a sustainable manner.

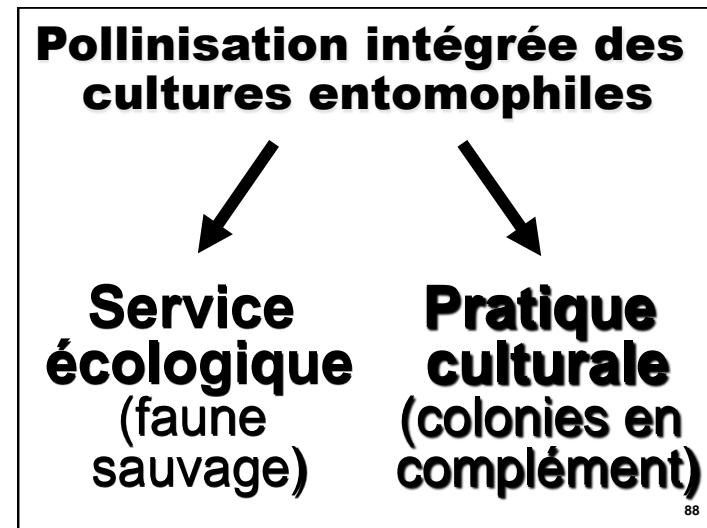
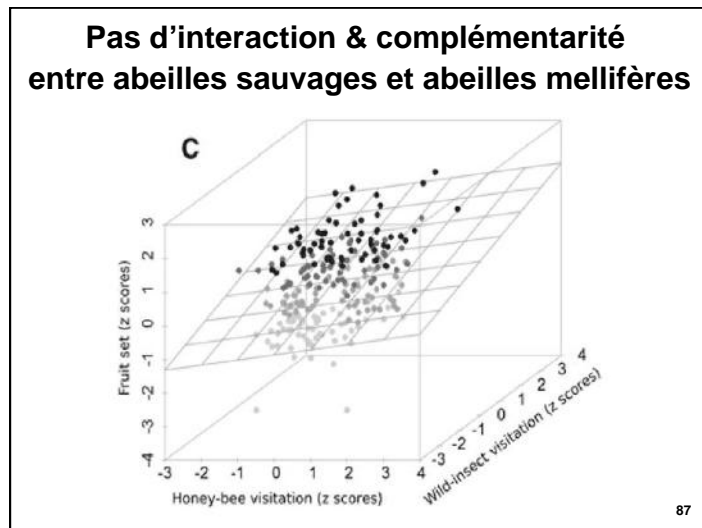
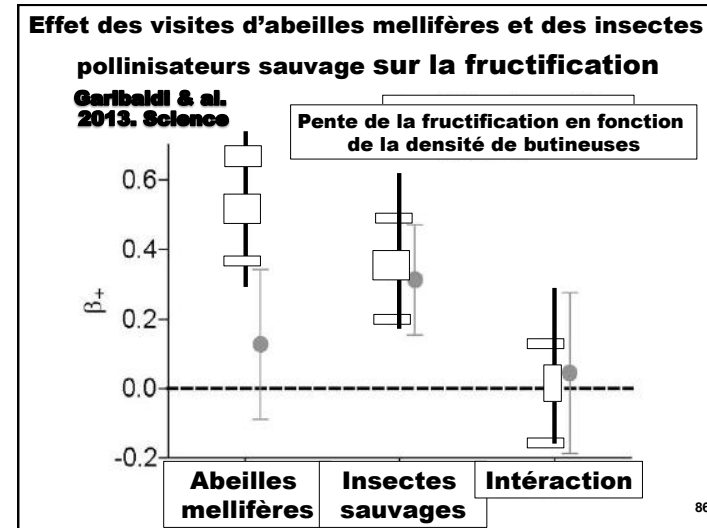
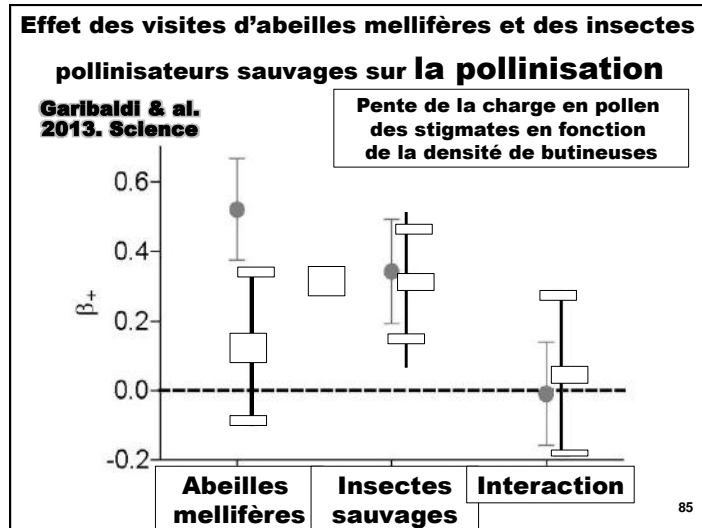
## Wild Pollinators Enhance Fruit Set of Crops Regardless of Honey Bee Abundance

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## Importance des insectes pollinisateurs sauvages

The diversity and abundance of wild insect pollinators have declined in many agricultural landscapes. This has led to a growing concern about the potential impact of this decline on crop yields. Wild pollinators play a crucial role in the pollination of many crops, and their loss can have significant consequences for food security. Understanding the importance of wild pollinators and how they interact with honey bees is essential for developing strategies to improve crop yields and sustainability. Wild pollinators can provide a range of services to crops, including pollination, and they can also interact with honey bees in a variety of ways. Some wild pollinators can compete with honey bees for flowers, while others can complement their pollination services. Understanding these interactions is crucial for developing strategies to improve crop yields and sustainability.

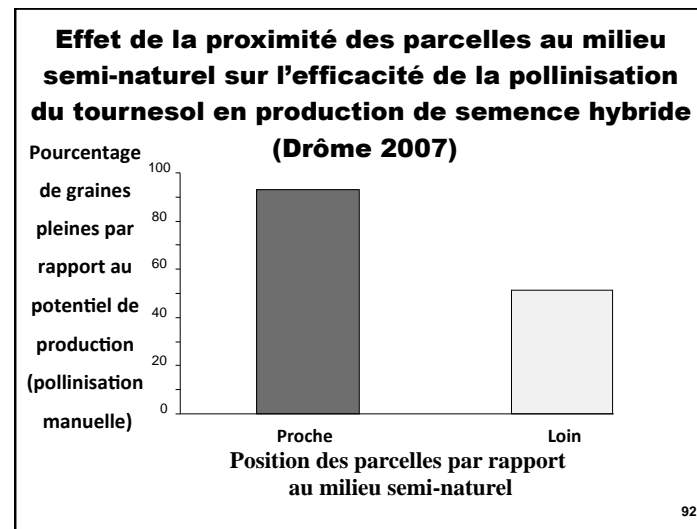
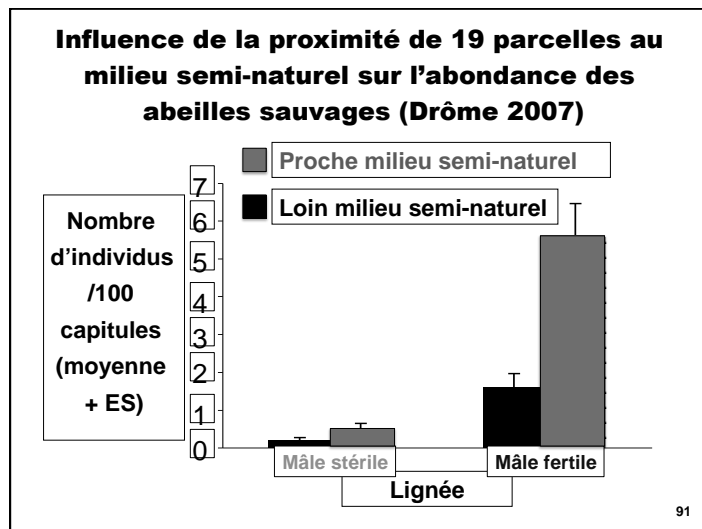
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<i>Halictus simplex</i>	
<i>Halictus</i> sp.	
<i>Heriades crenulata</i>	
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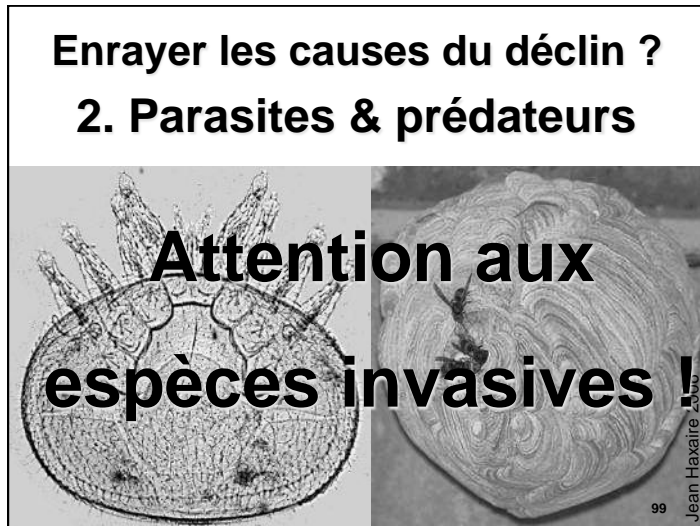




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**FlorApis** **Objectifs**

- **Mesurer l'activité pollinisatrice des abeilles domestiques vis-à-vis de la biodiversité végétale nationale, en particulier pour les espèces de plantes rares, protégées ou patrimoniales**
- **Mieux évaluer l'importance écologique des abeilles mellifères sur le territoire national métropolitain**



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