Population dynamics model to explore waste management areas in Taiwan, using black soldier fly *Hermetia illucens* (Diptera: Stratiomyidae)

BLACK SOLDIER FLY IS THE FUTURE GLOBAL SOLUTION OF ORGANIC WASTE RECYCLING

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Organic waste

Food 1- buy it with thought **2-** cook it with care **3-** use less wheat & meat **4-** buy local foods **5-** serve just enough **6-** use what is left **don't waste it**



Surplus tomatoes dumped on farmland in Tenerife.



Surplus oranges in California, USA.

Agricultural wastes



Manure

Waste disposal trough history







food waste



food waste



food waste



Waste does not just disappear Its transformed or is incinerated

Imagine all your wastes transform in money



How can we reduce organic waste?

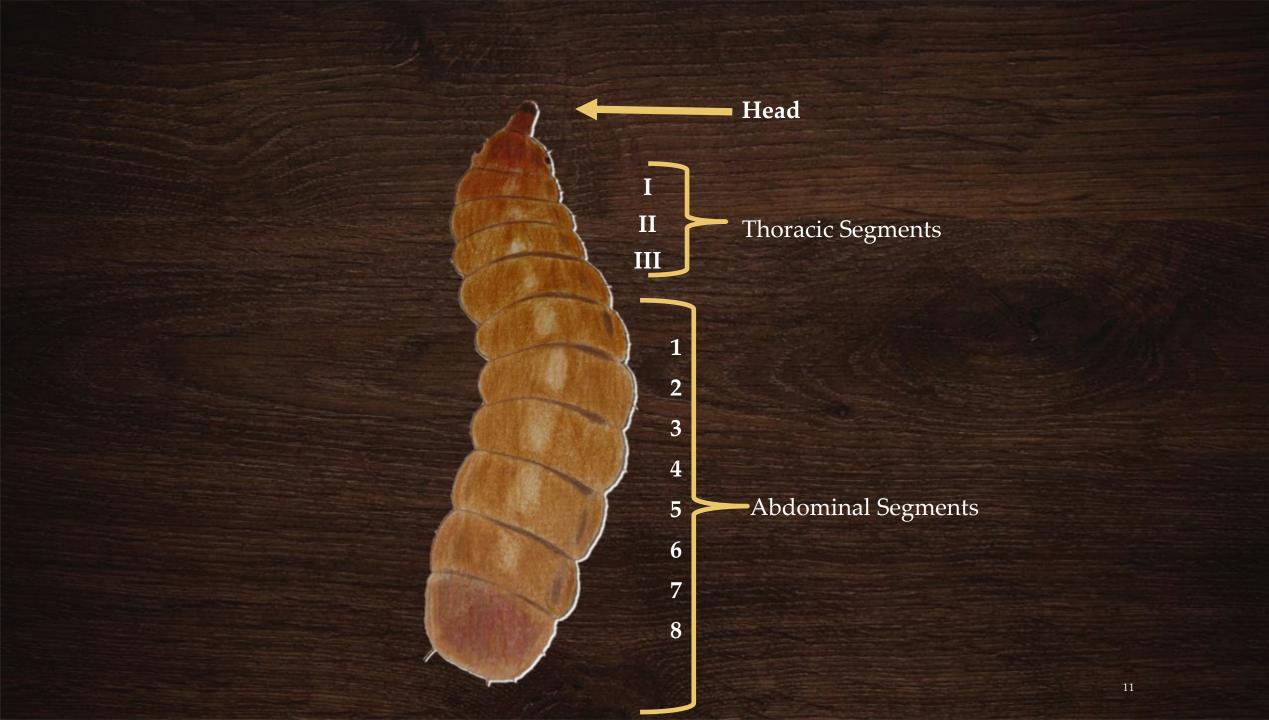
Conversion of organic material by insects

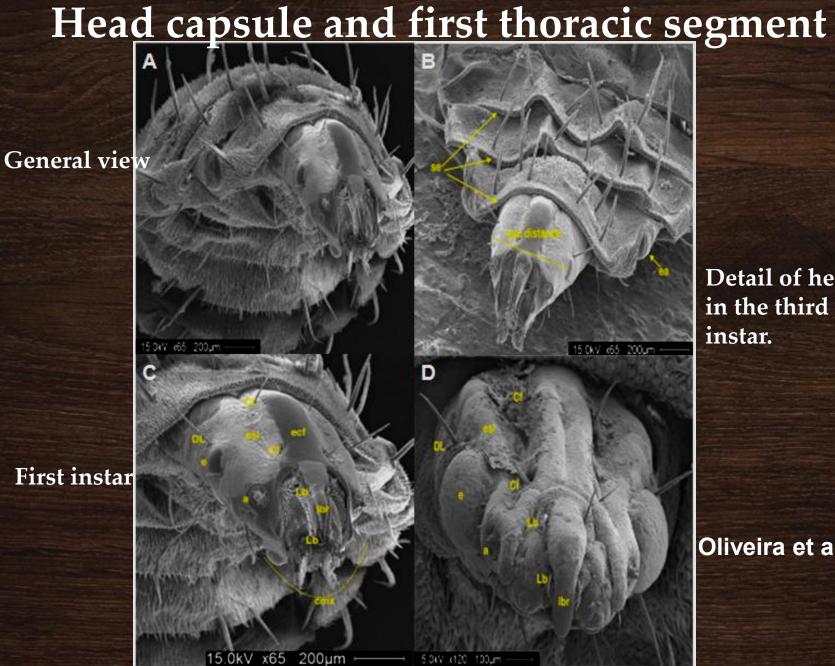
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Hermetia illucens

- Antennae are elongated with three segments.
- White coloration near the end of each leg.
- Two translucent "windows" located on the first abdominal segment.

• 15 to 20 mm in length, wasp-like appearance, black or blue in color.

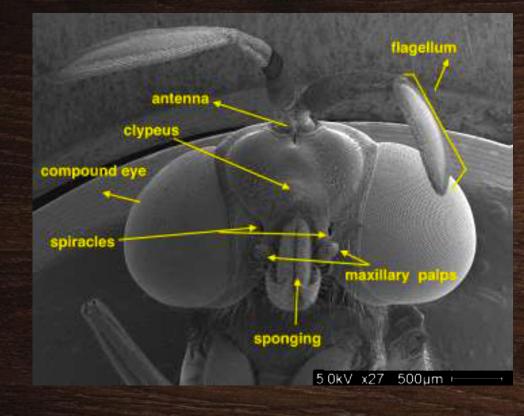




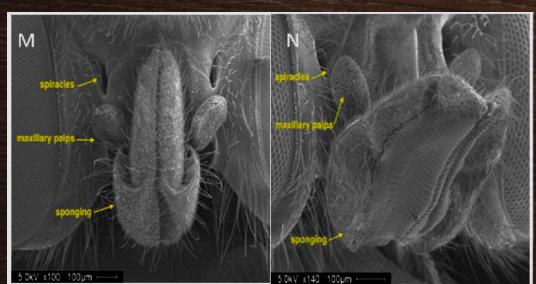
Detail of head in the third instar.

Oliveira et al, 2016

First instar

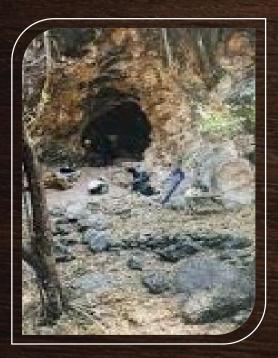


Frontal view of the head of a female



Frontal view of the sponging, spiracles and maxillary palps

This is the first time the relationship between insects and funeral deposits with an age of 200 B.C.- 200 A.D. inside a cave, are registered for Mexico.





Why Hermetia illucens

Because its utilization in the production of biodiesel, animal feed, and fertilizer

Is capable of degrading large amounts of organic matter

Wide distribution

Not considered as pest



What we didn't know?

- •No life table available
- Developmental times
- Survival and fecundity
- If diapause occurs in *H. illucens*What is the effect of long-term diapause



How to construct a life table





Data were collected and analyzed based on an age-stage, two-sex life table

| Age-Stage, Two-Sex Life Table Analysis | | | |
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| FMCopyright 1997-2017 Hsin ChiPCVersion: 2017.08.09Main procedures | | | |
| A1. Read data | C. Paired test | General boot | |
| A2. Basic Run | D. Pick 1 by 1 | Harvest | |
| A3. Bootstrap | E. Match tables | Boot m(x) | |
| B. Read N, F | F. 3D life table | Boot l(x) | |
| Select a figure to display | | | |
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| v(x) SASD | SAD Results | L A2a | |
| Survival to x stage Survives stage x SSD | | | |
| Stage mortality | Stage survival | Cal. ratio | |

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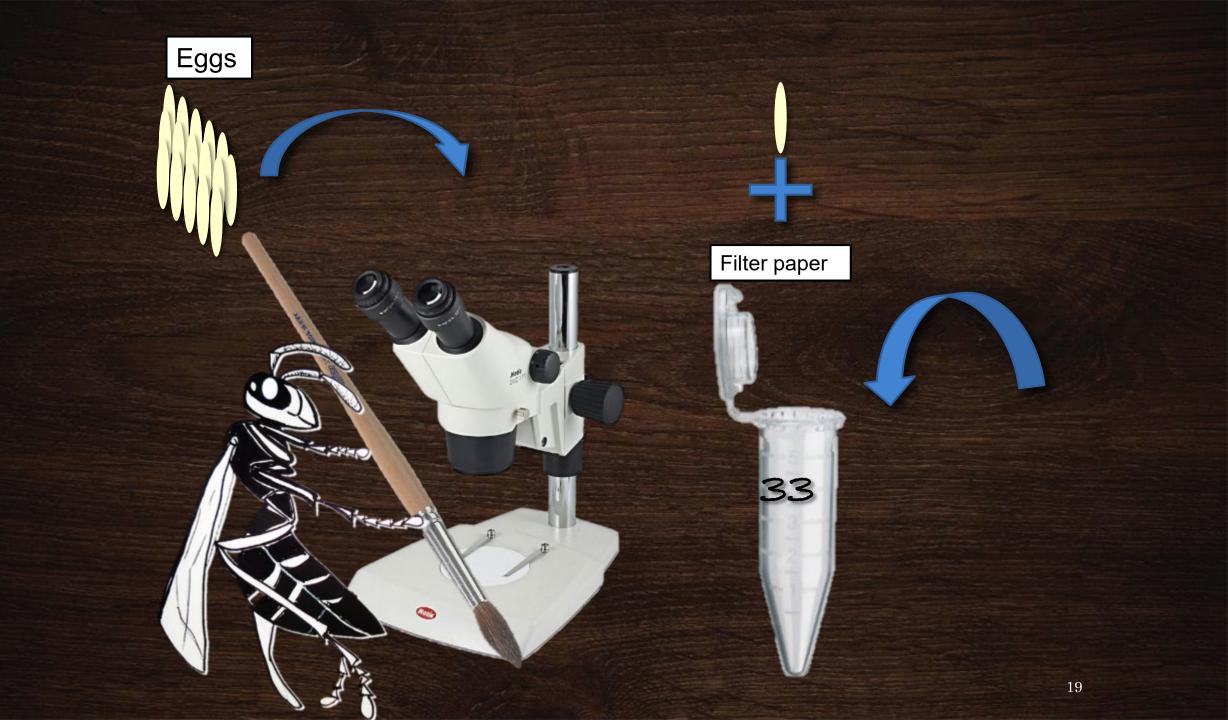
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Chi and Liu 1985, Chi 1988





3:1 combination of wheat bran, chicken feed and water



Survival and development were recorded daily for each individual until the death of the entire cohort

Prepupa

Larva

Pupa

Adult

Each surviving adult was marked with its respective number

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Glued to the thorax with nail polish

28 °C greenhouse

1- by 1- by 1m Cage

H. illucens fecundity

Cups filled with decomposing kitchen scraps were used as an attractant for oviposition



Eggs were individually counted from the cardboard



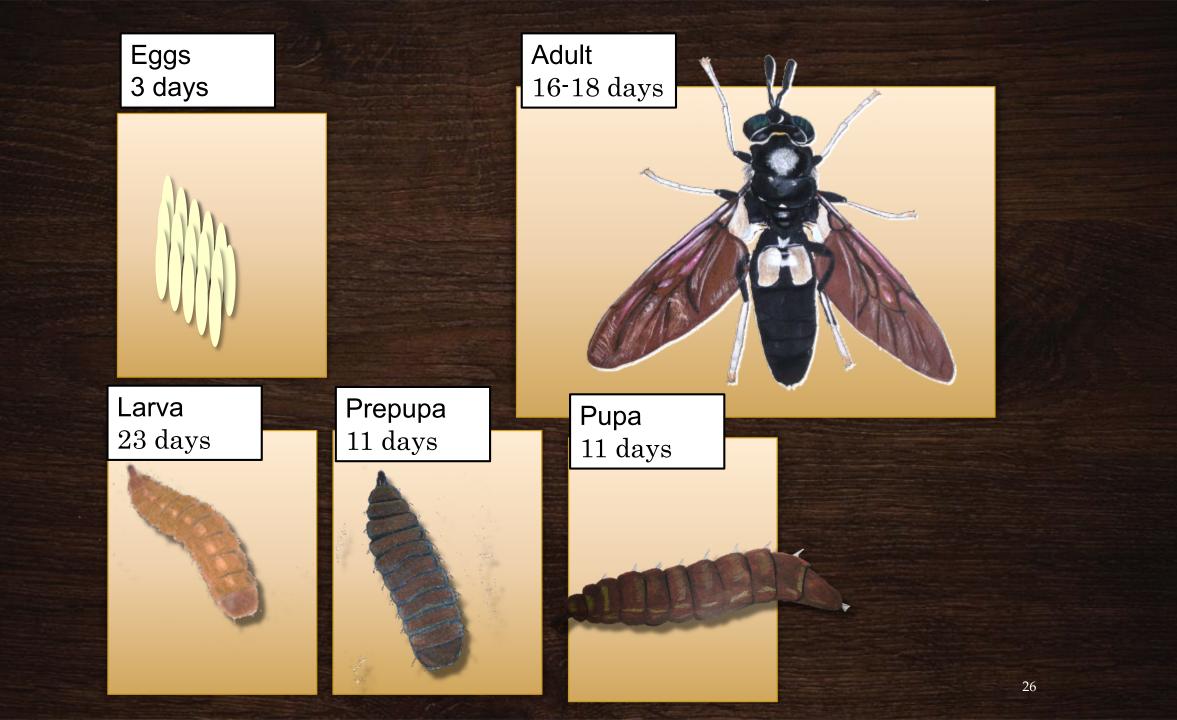


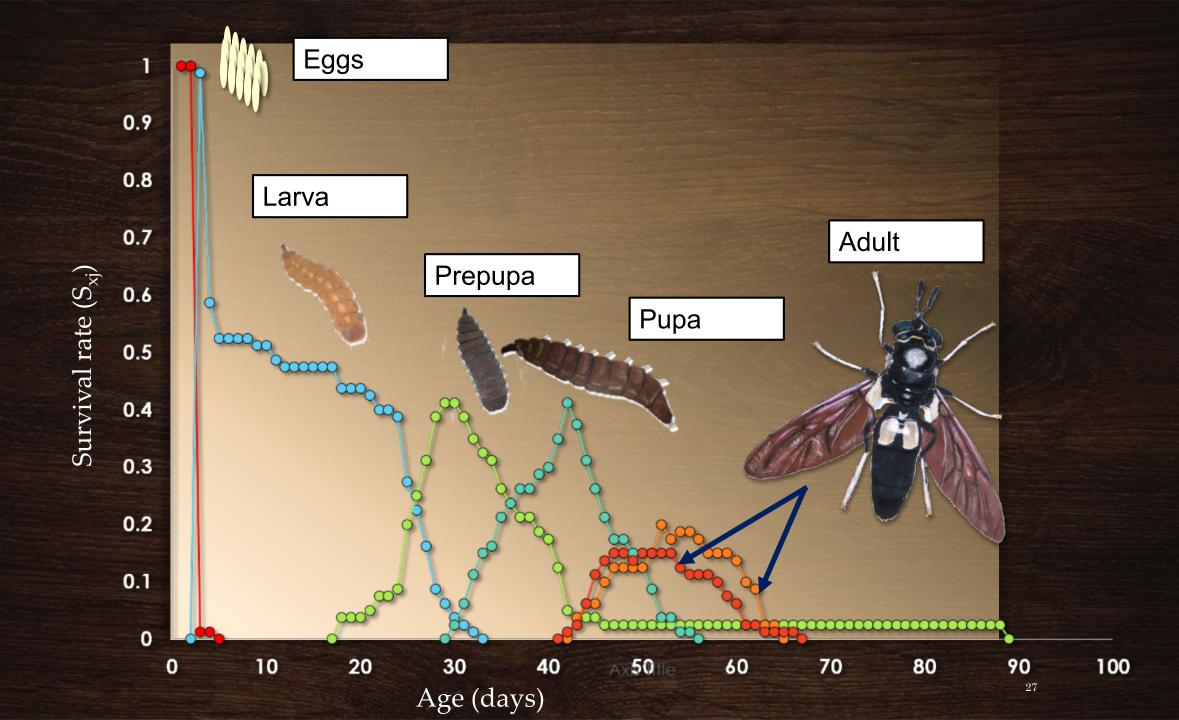
I will die alone!!!

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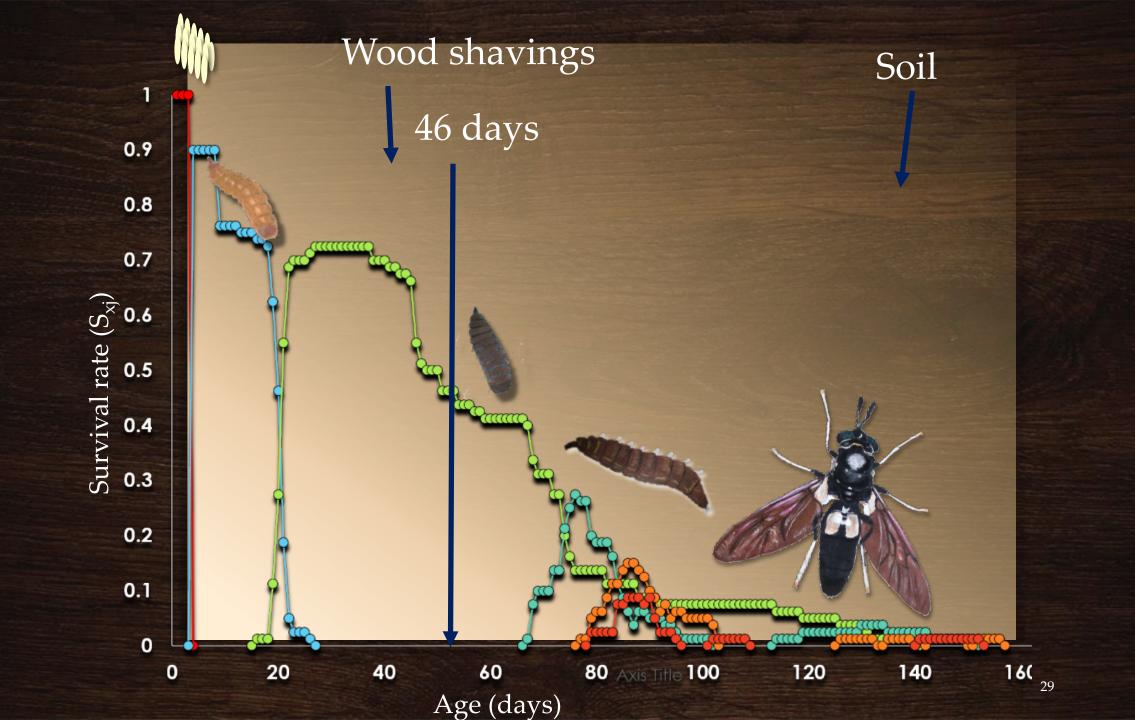


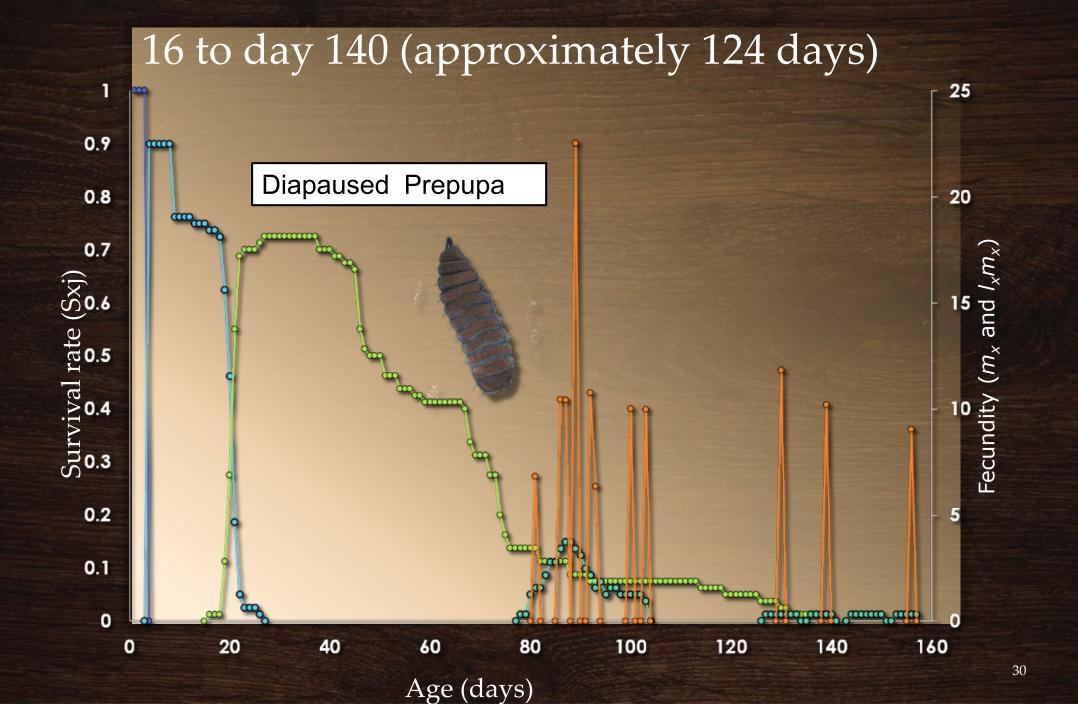


Population parameters of *H. illucens* individualy reared

| Population parameter | Bootstrap method Mean \pm SE |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Intrinsic rate of increase (r) (day ⁻¹) | 0.0747 ± 0.007 |
| Finite rate of increase λ (day ⁻¹) | 1.0776 ± 0.007 |
| Net reproduction rate (\mathbf{R}_0) (offspring) | 68.2321 ± 23.173 |
| Mean generation time (T) (day) | 55.652 ± 0.668 |

Only six females Oviposit 236 to 1,088 eggs. 15 males 21 females 5,458 eggs





Population parameters of *H. illucens*

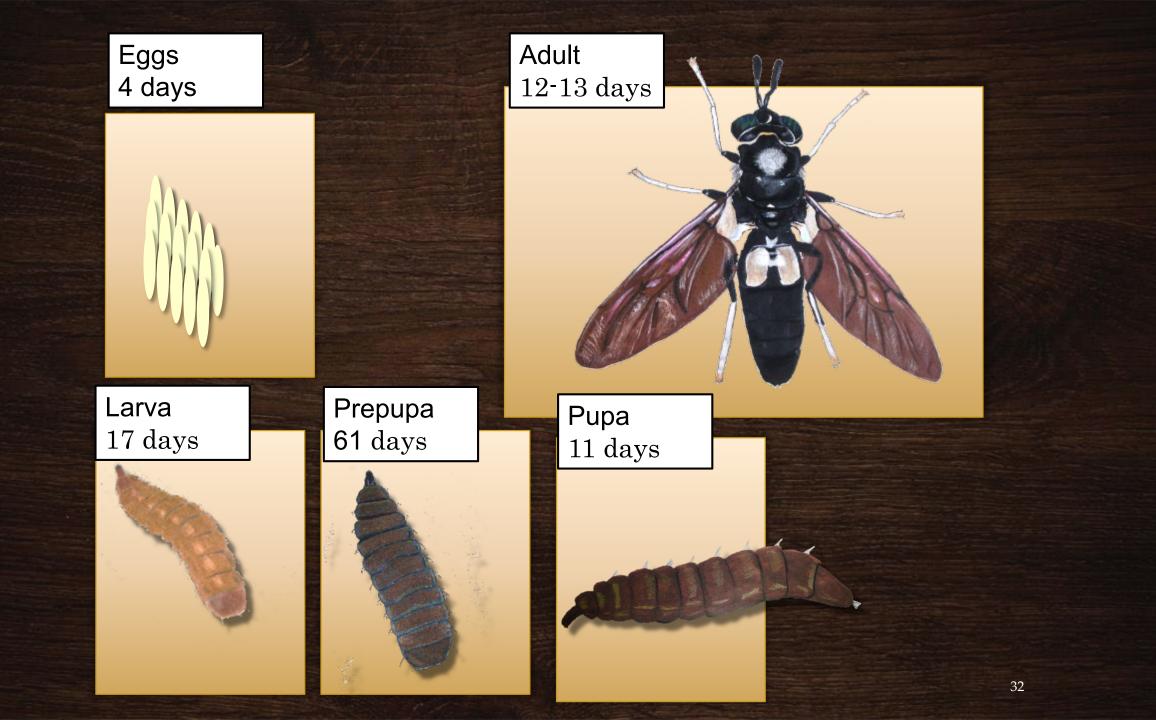
| Population parameter | Bootstrap method Mean ± SE |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Intrinsic rate of increase (r) (day ⁻¹) | 0.0498±0.0031 |
| Finite rate of increase λ (day ⁻¹) | 1.0511±0.0033 |
| Net reproduction rate (R ₀) (offspring) | 118.2875± 27. 3443 |
| Mean generation time (T) (day) | 95.823±3.518 |

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12 females Oviposit

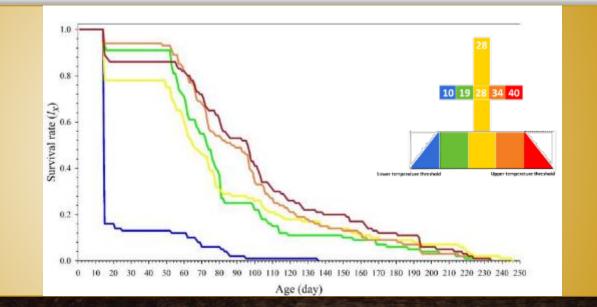
508 to 1,047 eggs

10 males22 females



Effects of temperature transfers on development, survival and reproduction of *Hermetia illucens* (Linnaeus) (Diptera: Stratiomyidae)

Temperature transfers experiments



Our purpose

• Demonstrate the use of a novel technique for estimating population temperature response parameters that can be use to model the growth potential of poikilotherms



"Temperature transfers (near-threshold development) To obtain reliable estimates of development time near such extremes, insects can be exposed first to a near-threshold temperature (T1) for a fixed amount of time (t1); short enough to avoid excessive mortality but long enough for significant development to occur, and then transferred to another temperature (T2) to record the time t2,i required by individual i to complete the stage under more optimal conditions."

Régnière, Jacques, et al. 2012



Why use *Hermetia illucens* and temperature transfers

- *H. illucens* requires specific light intensity and adequate space for mating and oviposition
- Using constants temperatures is not an appropriate method to study *H. illucens*

Materials and methods

3:1 combination of wheat bran, chicken feed and water

1.5 g of Sobic Acid
1.75 of Methyl-p-hydroxbenzoate
Diluted in 40 ml of 70% of
alcohol
5ml of the solution was added to
100g of artificial diet + 250 ml of
water

Newly-laid egg masses of *H. illucens* was exposed at 28 ° C



Were then transferred into treatment temperatures (10, 19, 28, 34, and 40 °C) for five days





100 individuals, Eight day old larvae (from eggs)

After exposure, larva, prepupa, and pupa were maintained at 28 ° C with a photoperiod of 12:12(L:D)

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10 19 28 34 40

Back to 28 °C (totally 13 days old)

H. illucens fecundity

83 41



I'm hot‼

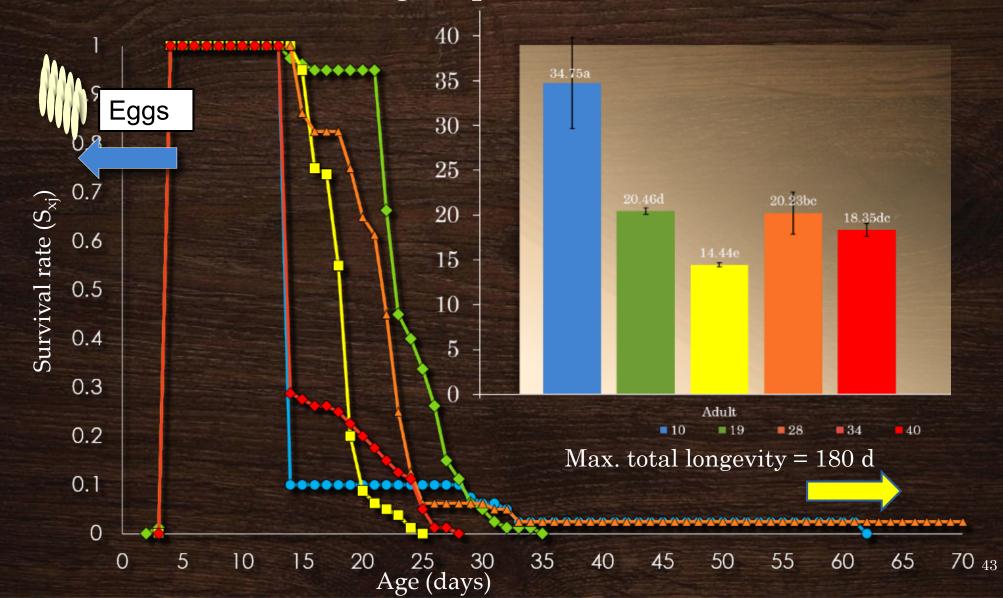
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water

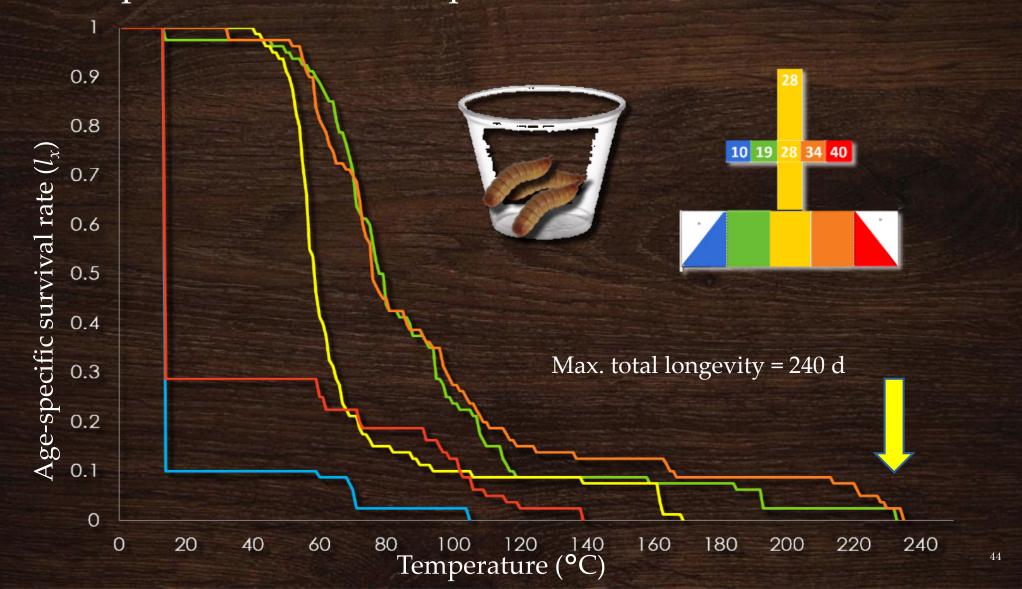
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Age-stage-specific survival rate (S_{xj}) of *H. illucens* larva group-reared



Age-specific survival rate (l_x) grouped reared, diapaused and non diapaused individuals included

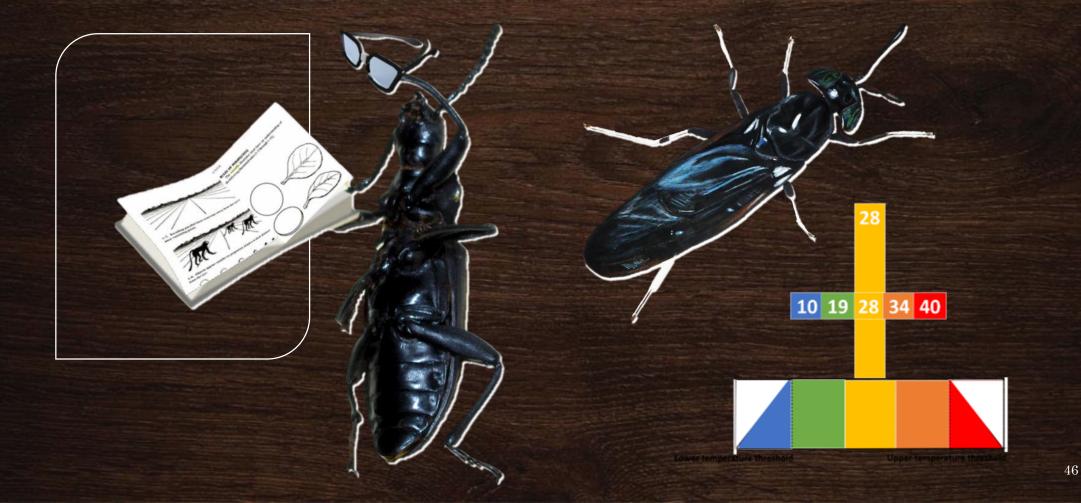


Developmental times of *H. illučens* grouped reared



different among treatment (P<0.05, paired bootstrap test)

We demonstrated that only a five days exposure to different temperature will influence *H. Illucens* life history.



Until other uses are economically feasible the uses of *H. illucens* are reduced to waste management and animal feed.

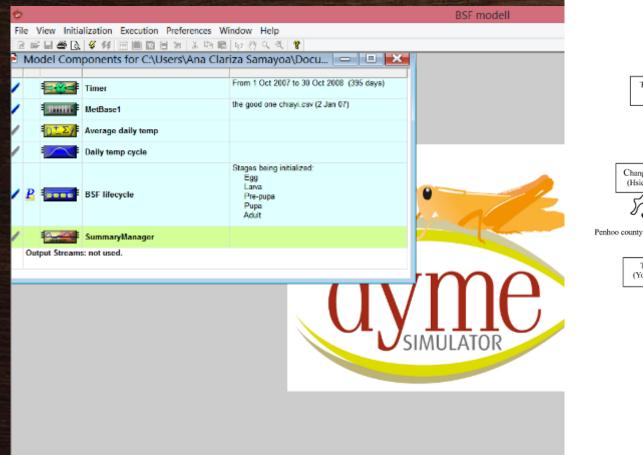
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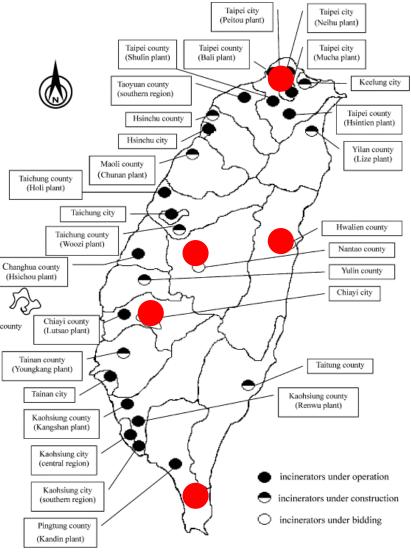
We are the first laboratory doing research regarding BSF in Taiwan

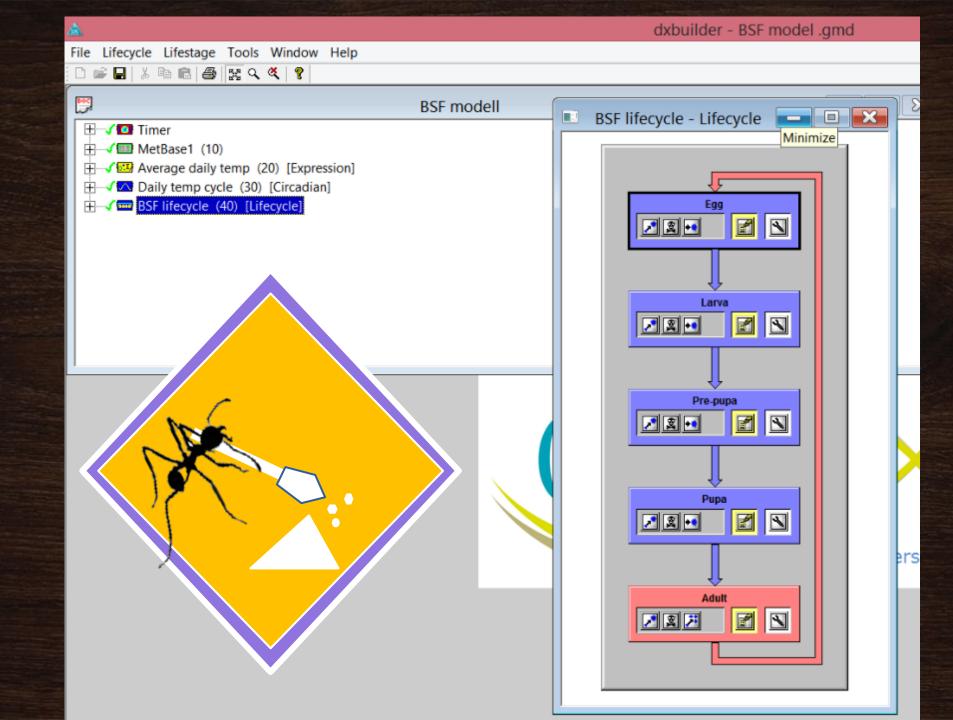




From five locations in Taiwan







Still...Under construction



-outdoors population of *H. illucens* is prompt to decline and overwinter during the coolest months

- Populations during the warmer months will increase.



The model predicted biomass production values at each site. The current model can be used as a tool in waste management, larva production and compost production.

Taichun, Republic of Taiwan



Jeju, Republic of Korea

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