

Objective 1 – Voltinism, Dispersal, Landscape and Temporal Risk Factors



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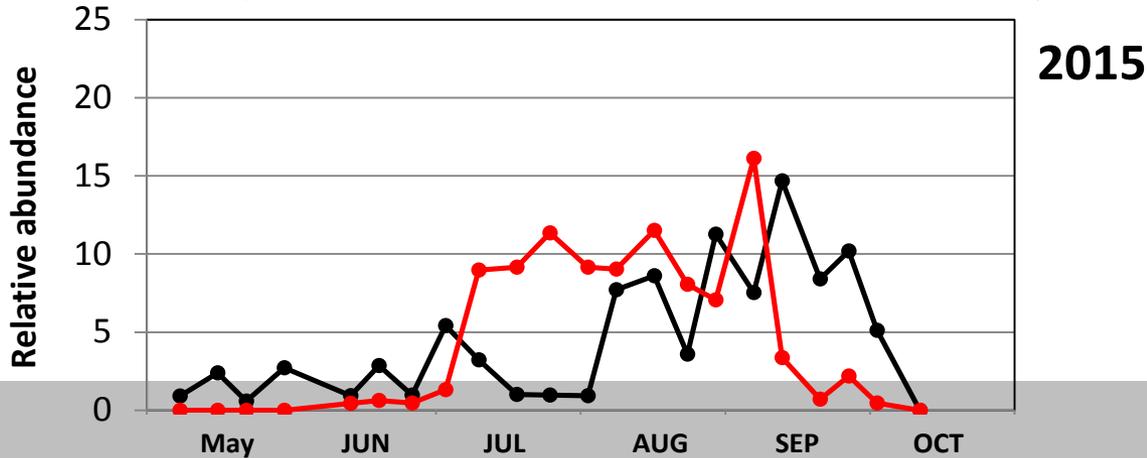
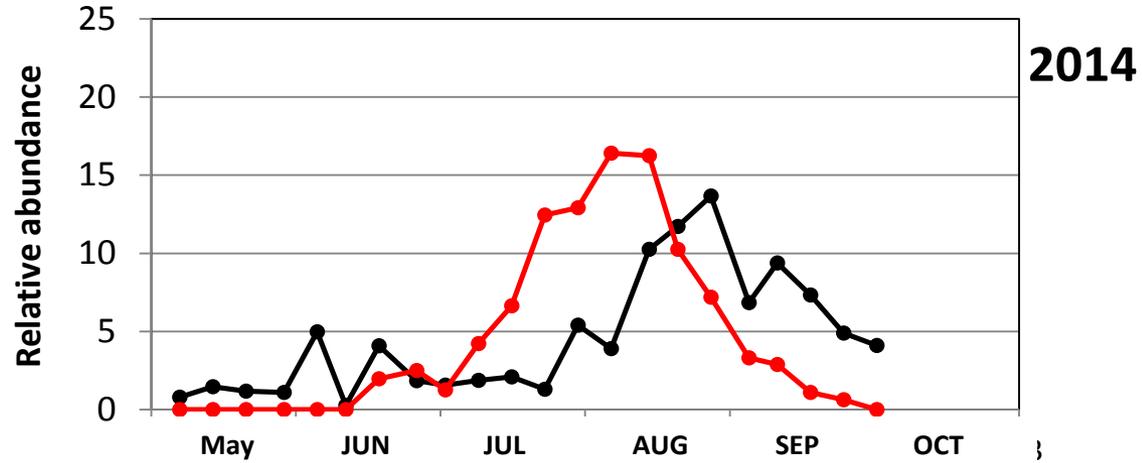
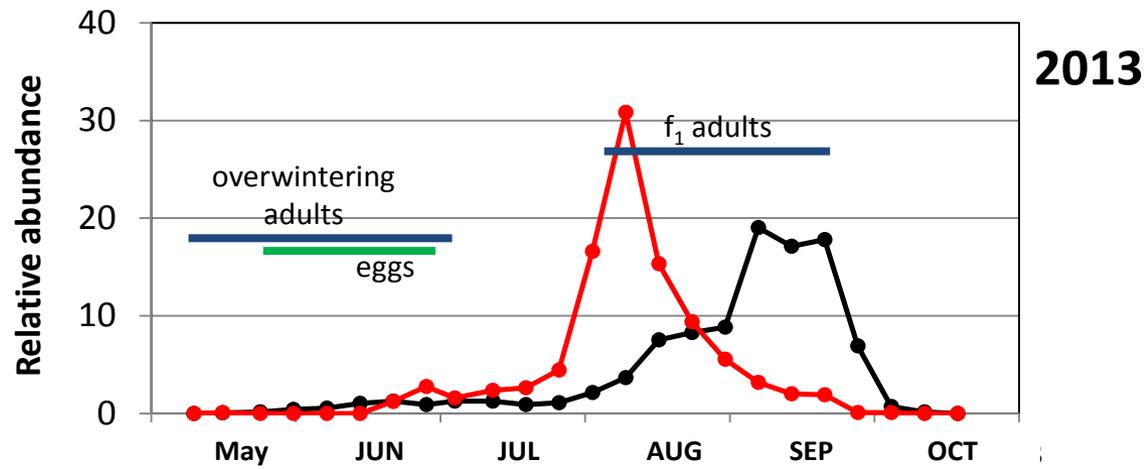
Development and Movement

- 1.1.1 - Determine phenology and voltinism characteristics of BMSB
- 1.1.2 - Movement to and from overwintering sites and overwintering survivorship
- 1.3.2 - Determine BMSB invasion patterns into new habitats
- 1.3.3 - Identify movement and dispersal patterns in peach and apple orchards
 - 2015 populations too low
- 1.4 - Identify landscape and temporal risk factors associated with BMSB on crops and in adjacent ecosystems.

Shearer, Agnello, Jentsch, Wiman, Bergh, Shrewsbury, Hamilton, Flesicher, Walgenbach, Morrison, Rice, Tooker, Kuhar, Dively, Leskey, Nielsen



Seasonality in NC



● Adults
● Nymphs

What Do We Use as a Biofix?

- When development in the field begins
- Critical for determining the number of generations
- Development takes 538 DD₁₄ (*Nielsen et al. 2008*), 588 DD_{12.2} (*Haye et al. 2014*)
 - Females need additional time 60-147 DD to become mature
- Asian literature suggests 13.5 – 14.75h of daylength
- Previous biofixes January 1 – May 30

What Do We Use as a Biofix?

Multiple studies have been used to investigate this

- Emergence from overwintering cages
- Laboratory trials identifying first oviposition under various photoperiods
- Voltinism cages
- Reproductive seasonality
- Agent-based phenology model

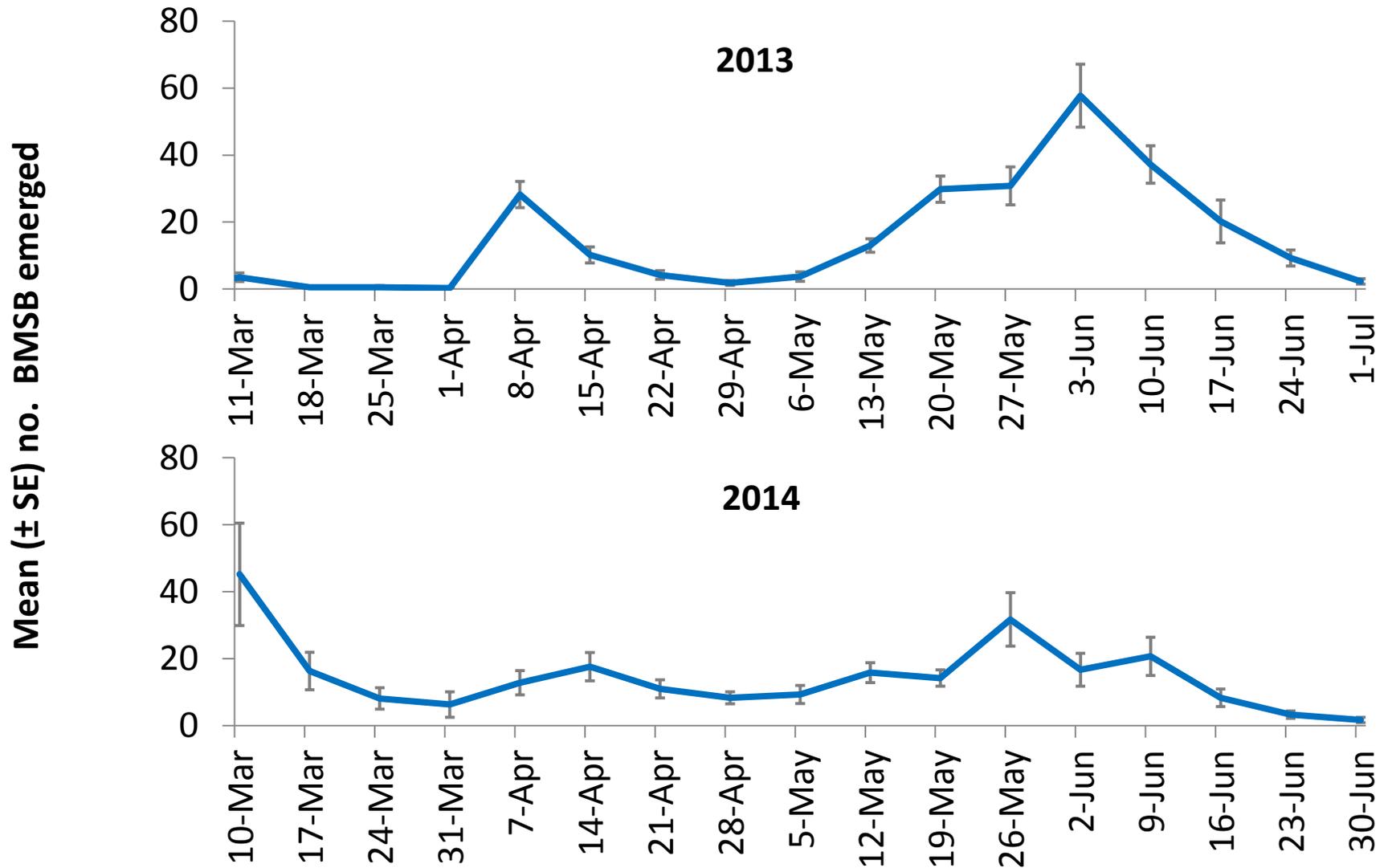


Emergence from Overwintering Cages

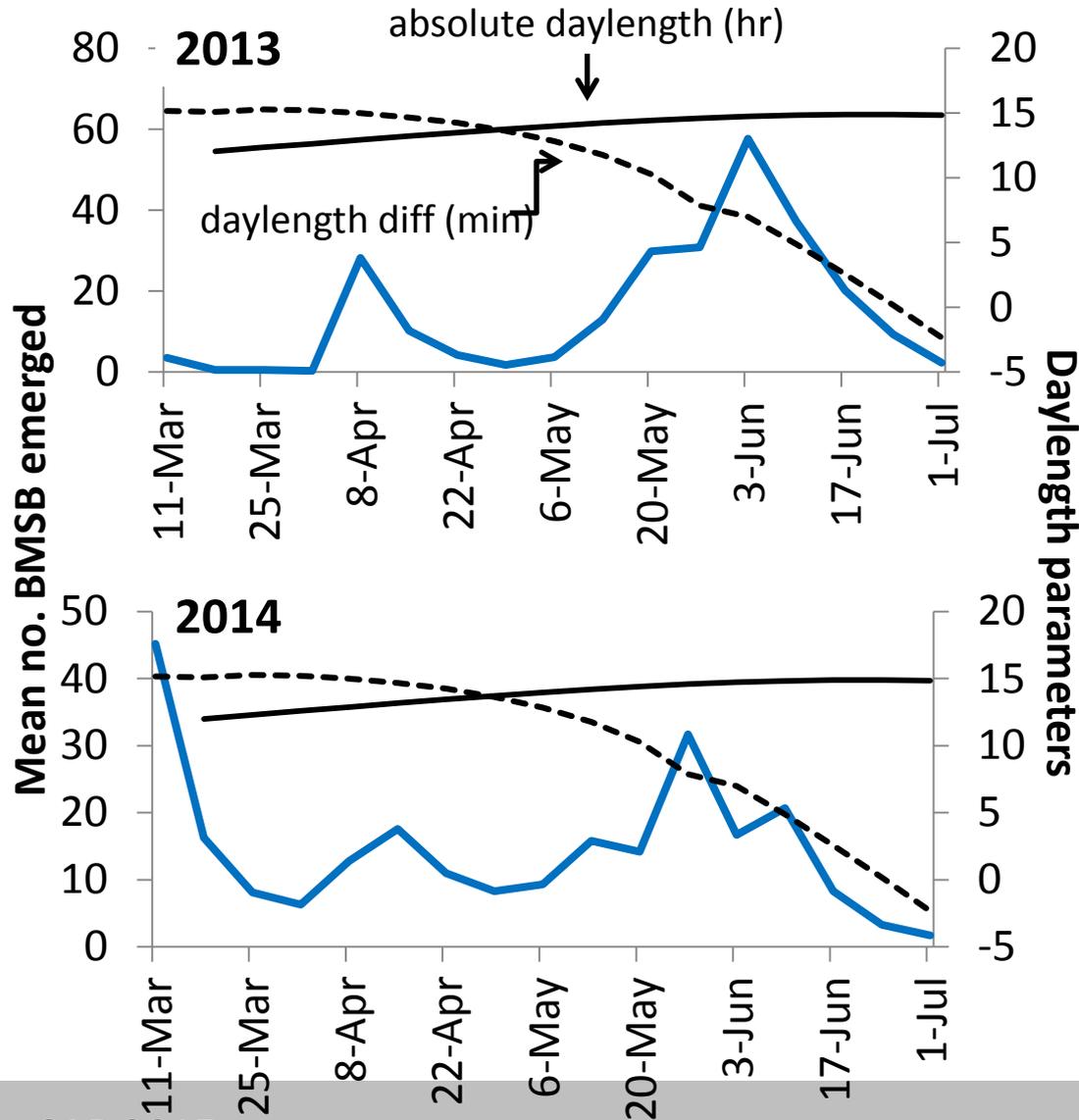


- Shelters deployed in pairs within protective domes at six woodland sites in late February
- Internal and external temperature sensors

Mean no. BMSB emerged per week



Emergence in Relation to Photoperiod



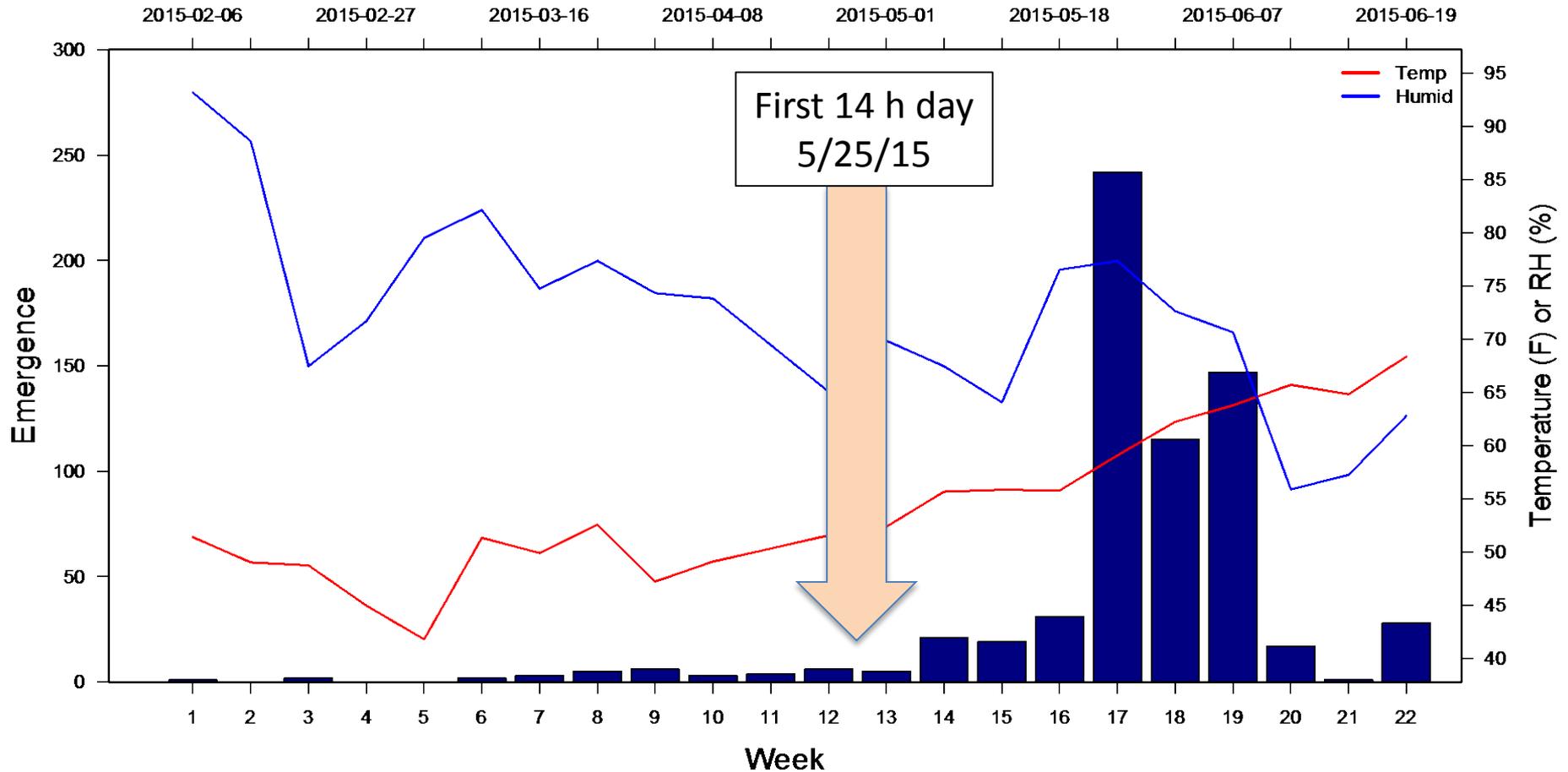
Kendall's Tau Correlation Coefficient:
Entire period

Year	Tau	P
2013	-0.4207	< 0.019
2014	0.0969	= 0.592
Both	-0.1652	= 0.176

Kendall's Tau Correlation Coefficient:
May 26 – July 1

Year	Tau	P
2013	0.7333	< 0.039
2014	0.8667	= 0.015
Both	0.6992	< 0.002

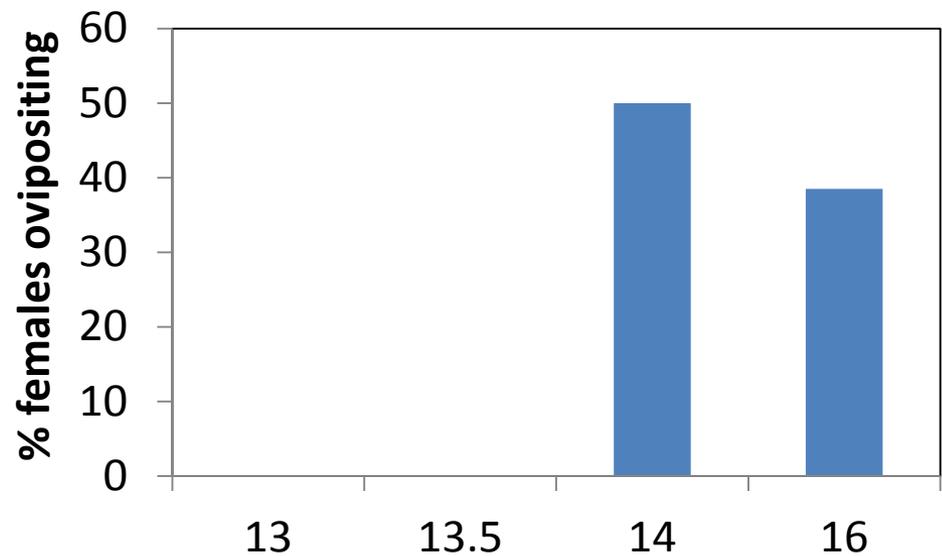
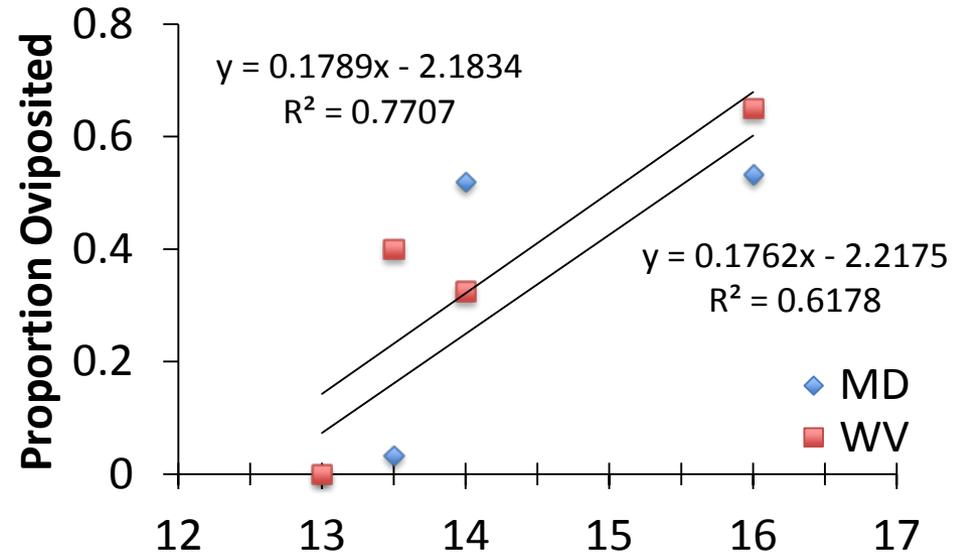
Emergence study results - OR



Laboratory Studies

NJ and NC

- Overwintered adults held at 25°C at different photoperiods
- Time to egg laying monitored
- NC and NJ (MD and WV bugs)
- No eggs laid at 13.0h daylength
- **Diapause termination cue 13.5-14h**





2015 New York BMSB Voltinism Results Hudson Valley and Western NY

Events	Date	DD _{50F}
25M / 25F to outdoor voltinism tent	14 May*	
1 st egg cluster	28 May	0.0
1 st instar	3 June	36.0
2 nd instar	15 June	253.0
3 rd instar	22 June	396.4
4 th instar	29 June	513.8
5 th instar (7 th July Collapse)	24 July (wild)	1062.3
1 st adult	12 August	1517.4
No mating or oviposition observed		

*400 overwintering BMSB adults arrived 13 May, 2015 LabServices; Hamburg, PA,



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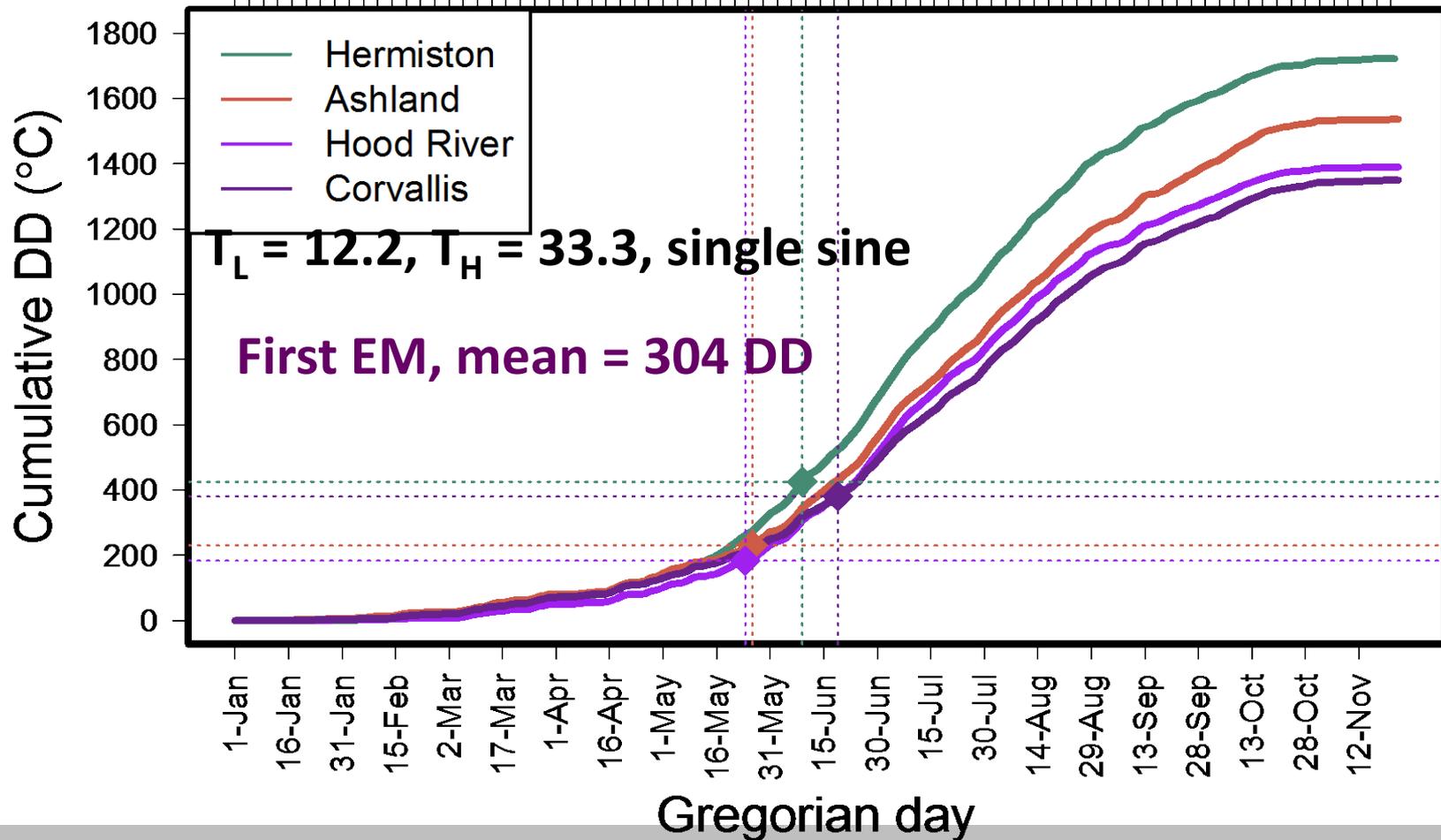


Voltinism Cages - OR



Julian day

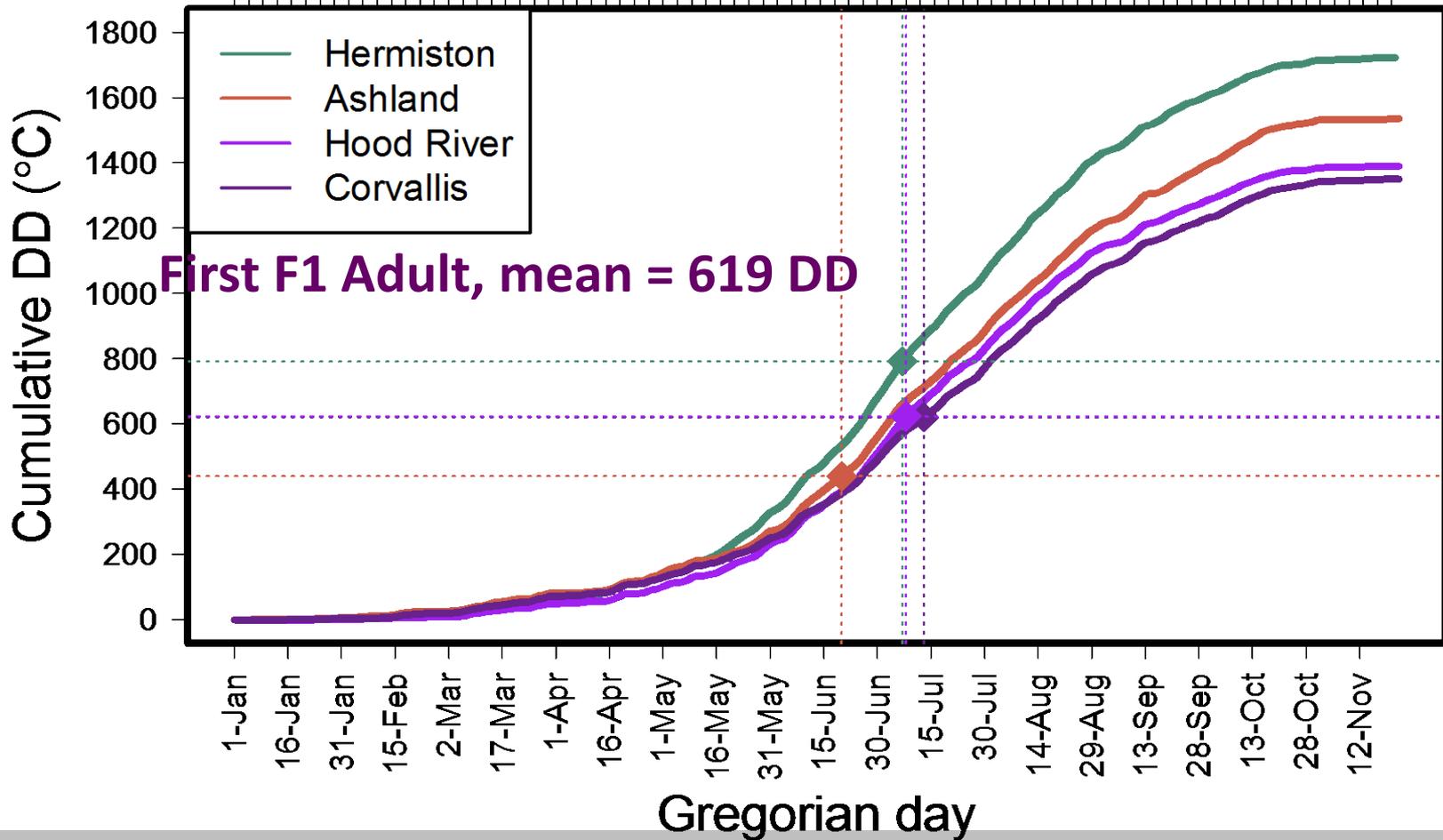
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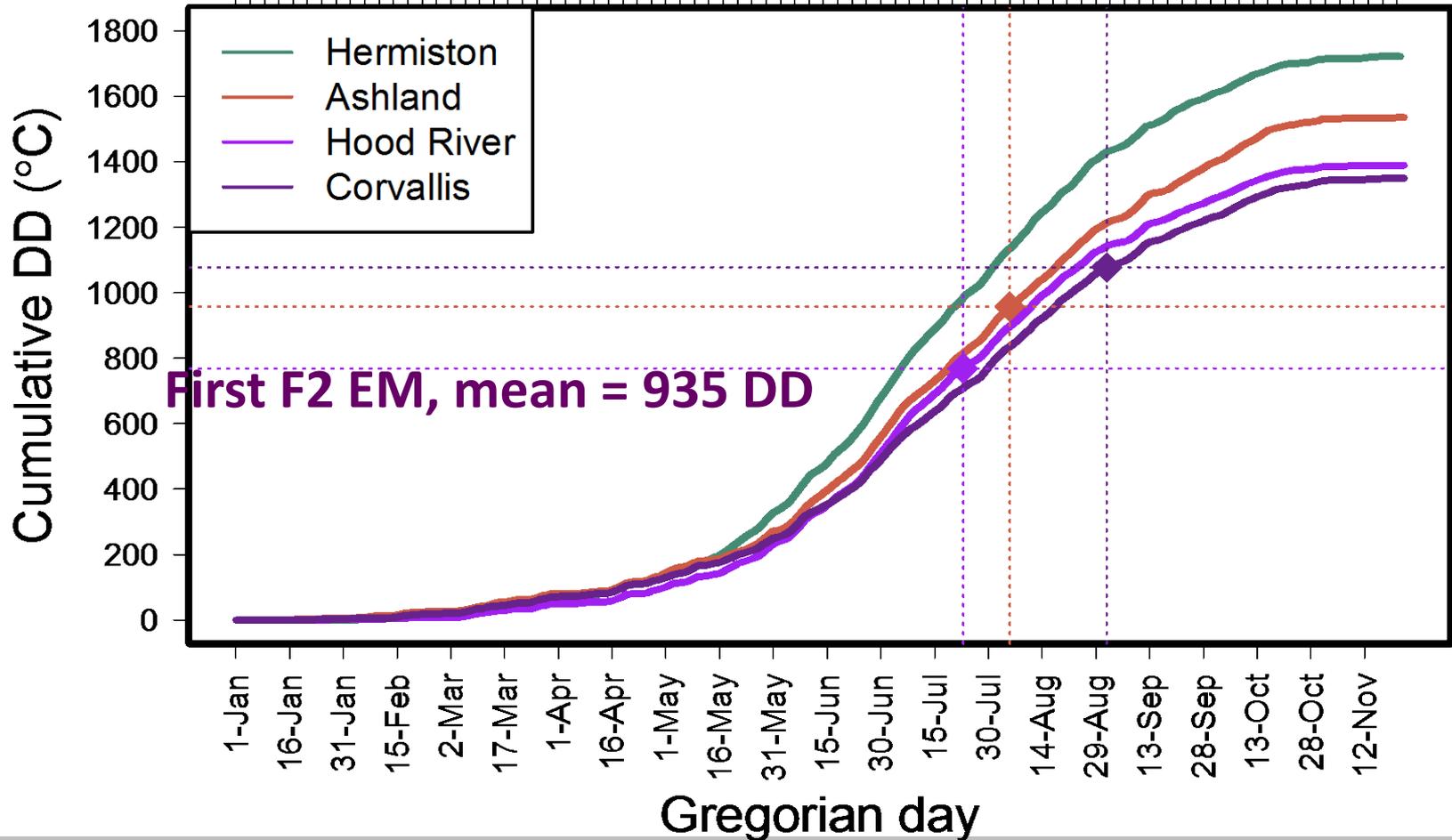
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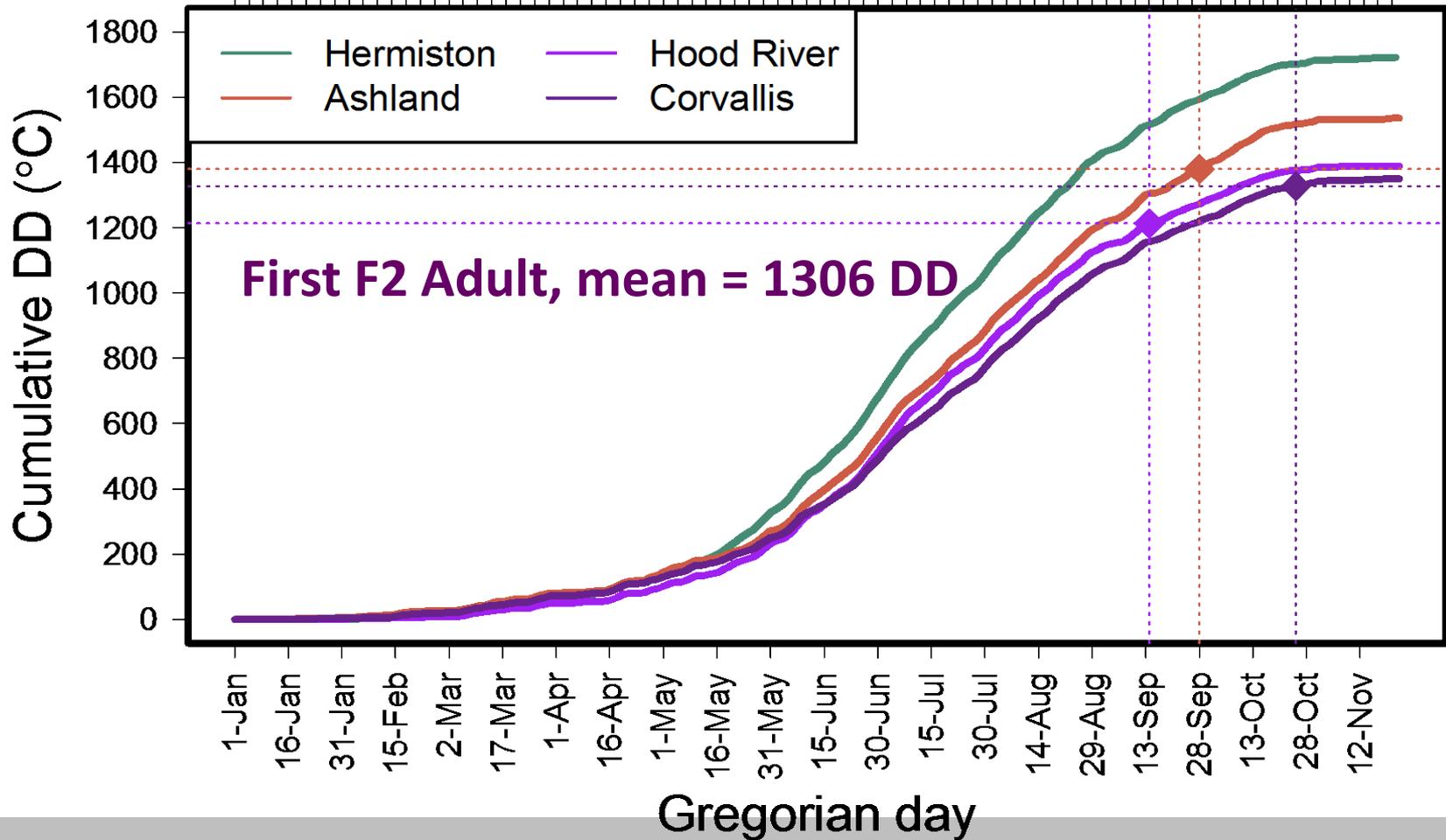
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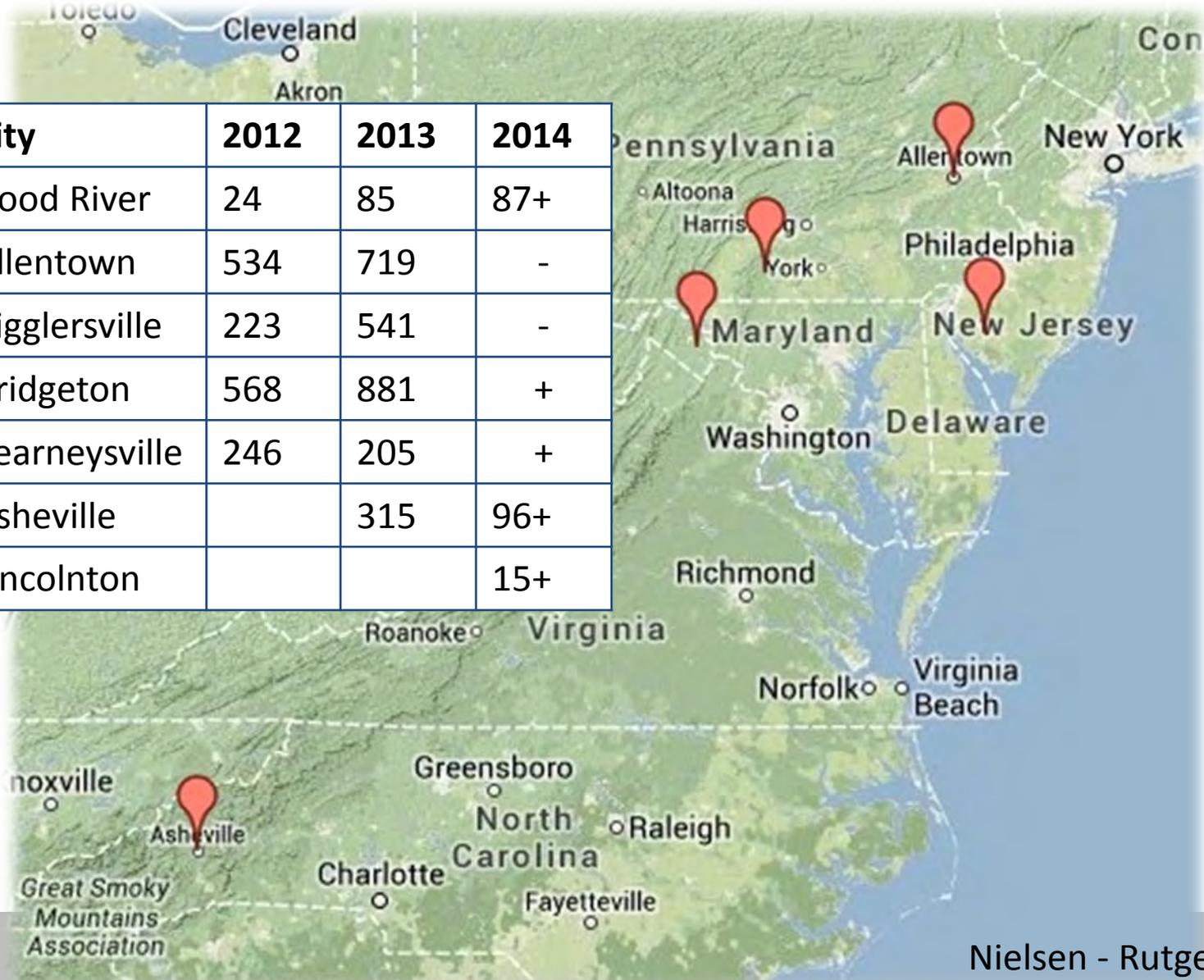
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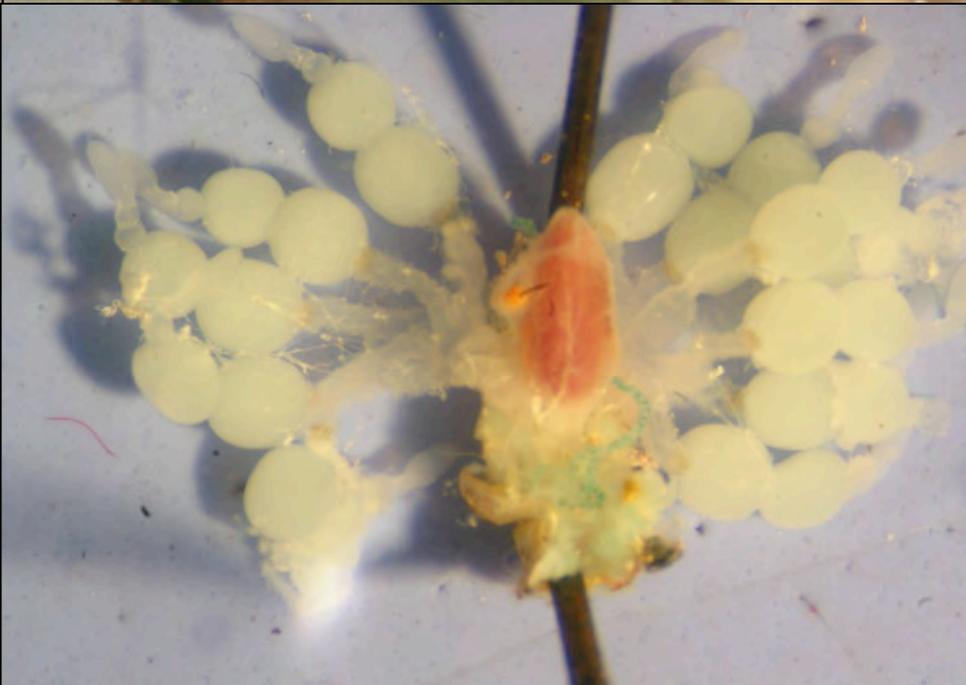
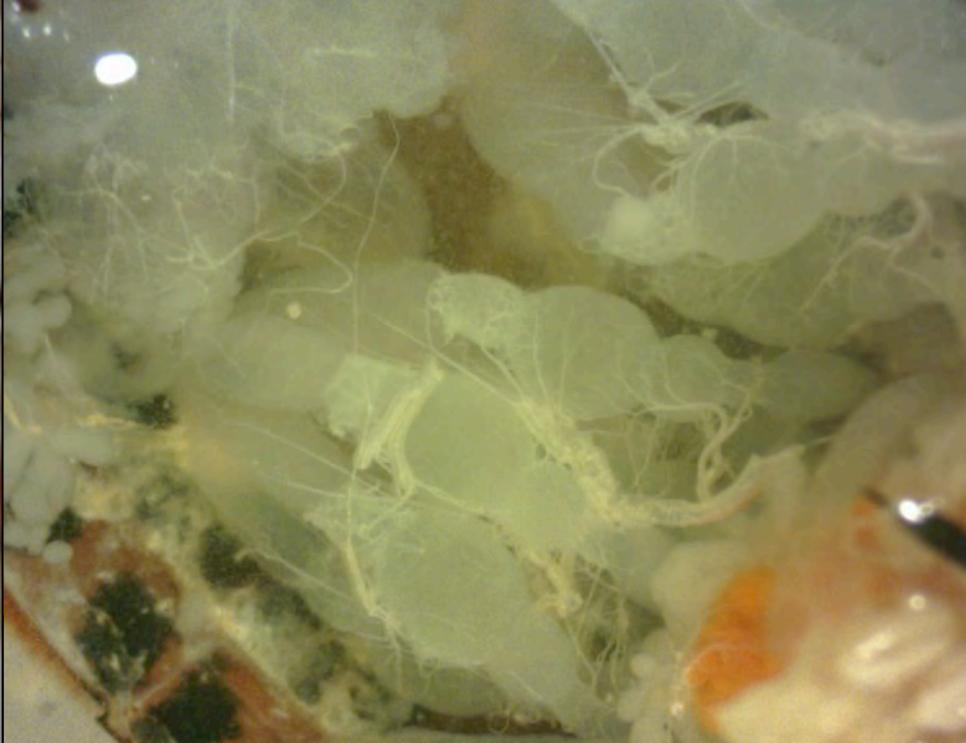
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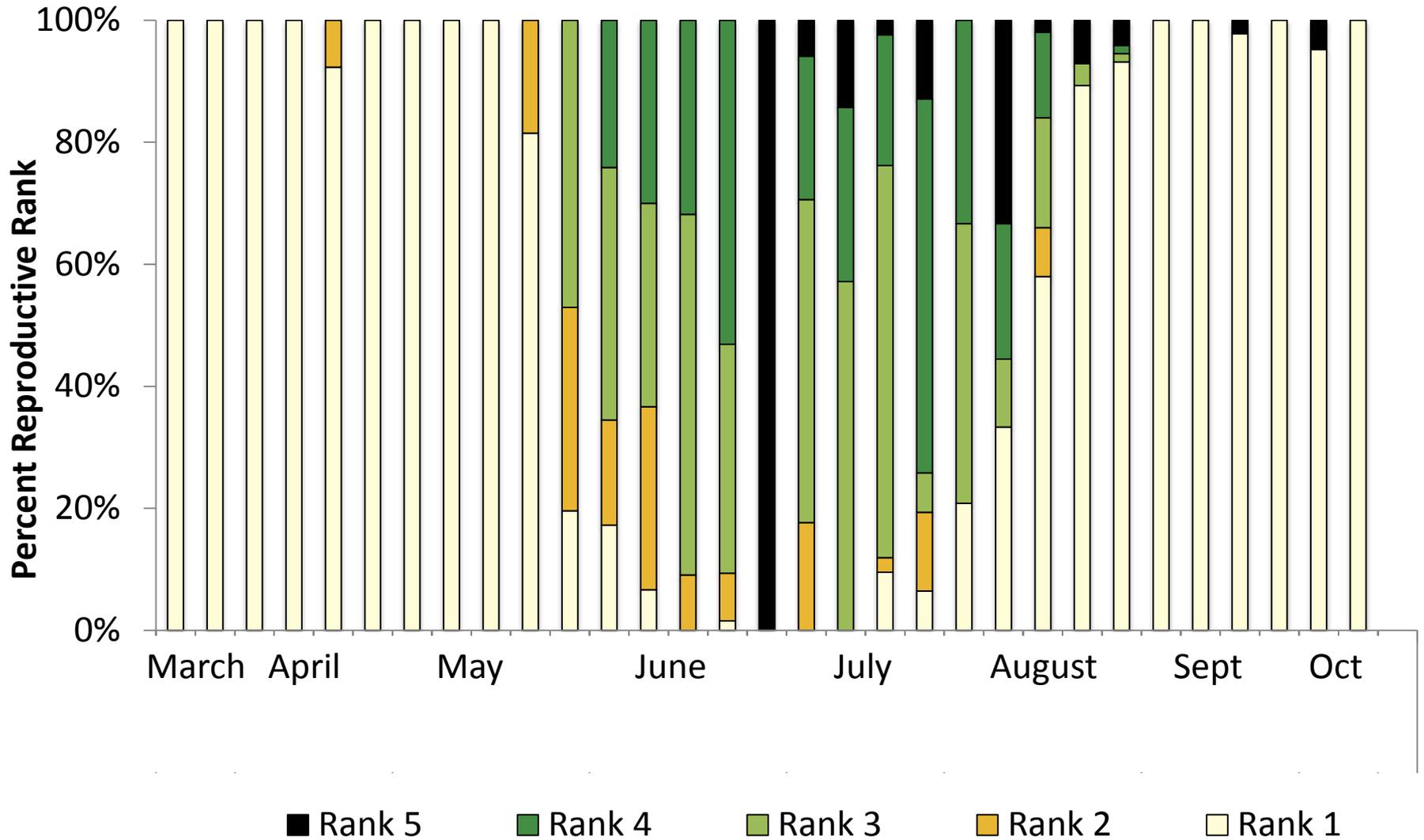
Female Reproductive Phenology

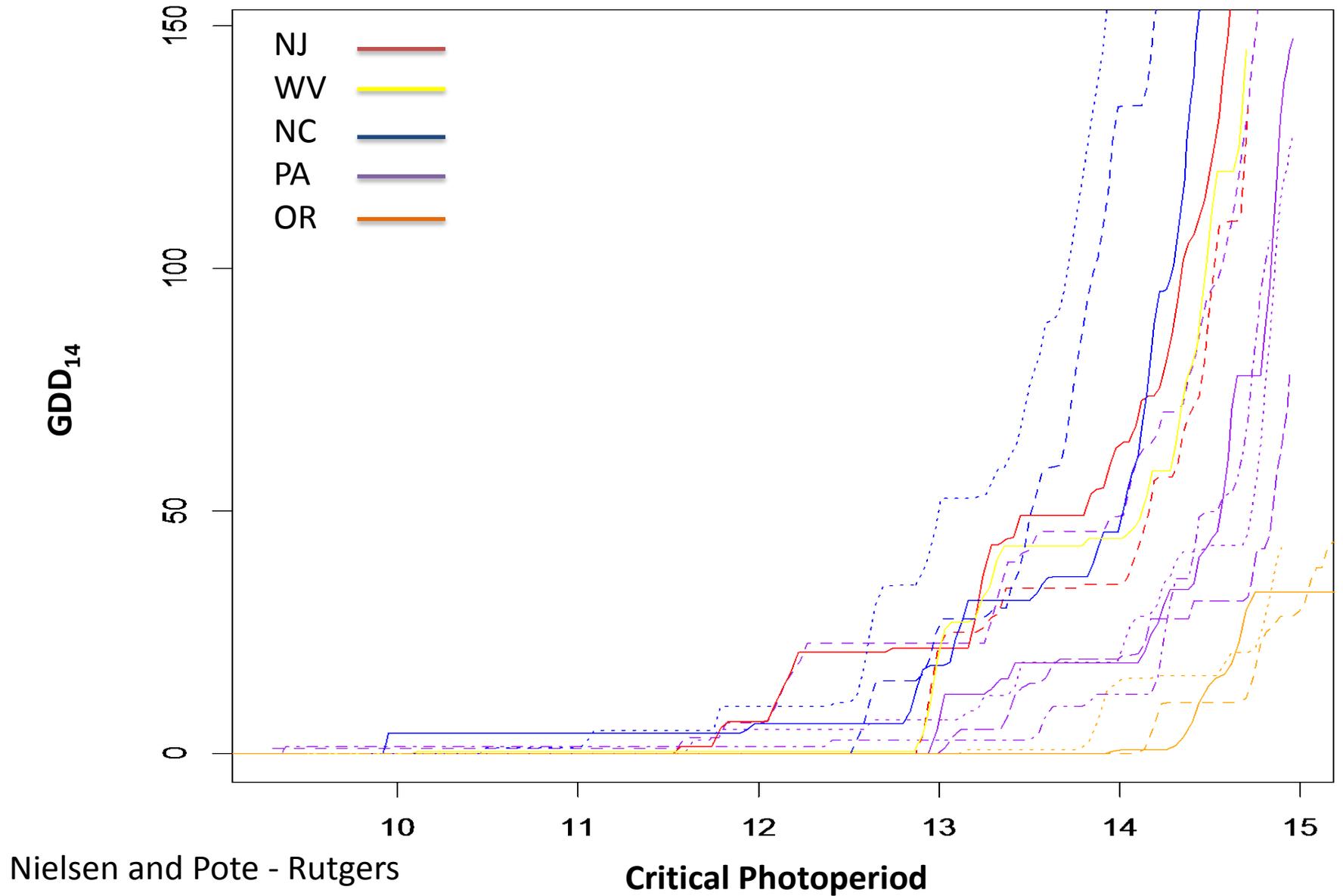
State	City	2012	2013	2014
OR	Hood River	24	85	87+
PA	Allentown	534	719	-
PA	Bigglersville	223	541	-
NJ	Bridgeton	568	881	+
WV	Kearneysville	246	205	+
NC	Asheville		315	96+
NC	Lincolnton			15+





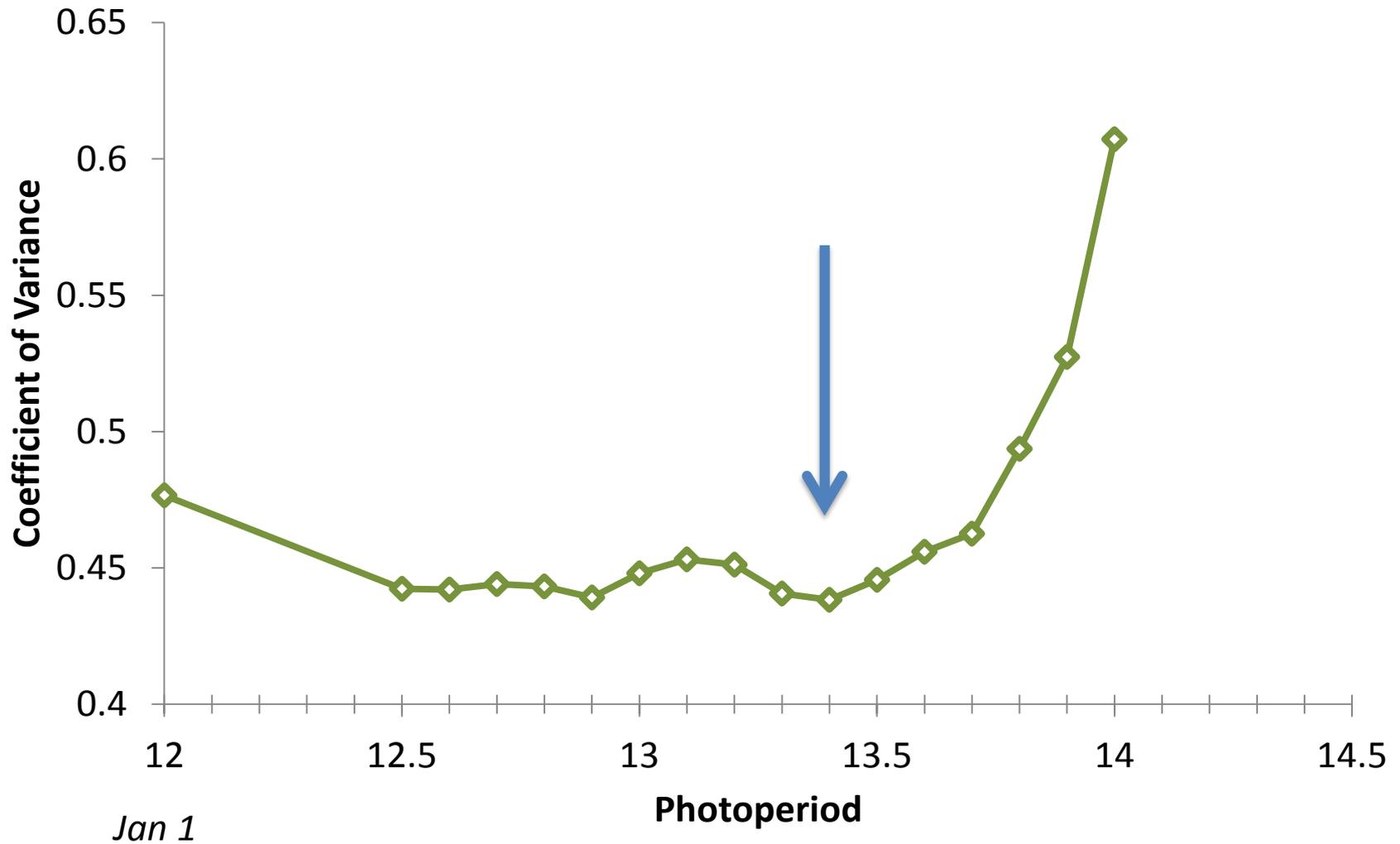
Bridgeton, NJ 2014

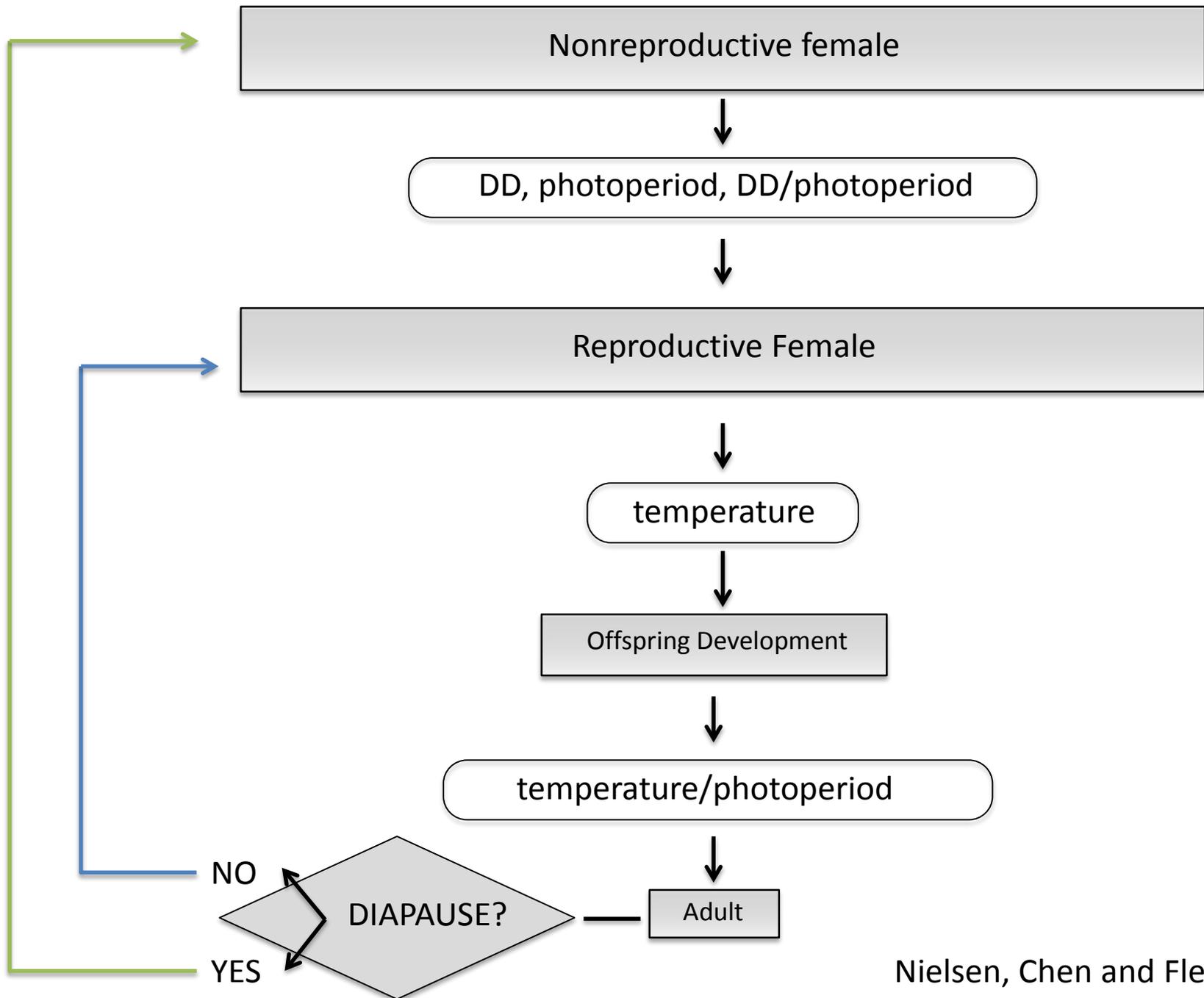




Nielsen and Pote - Rutgers

Biofix Predictions

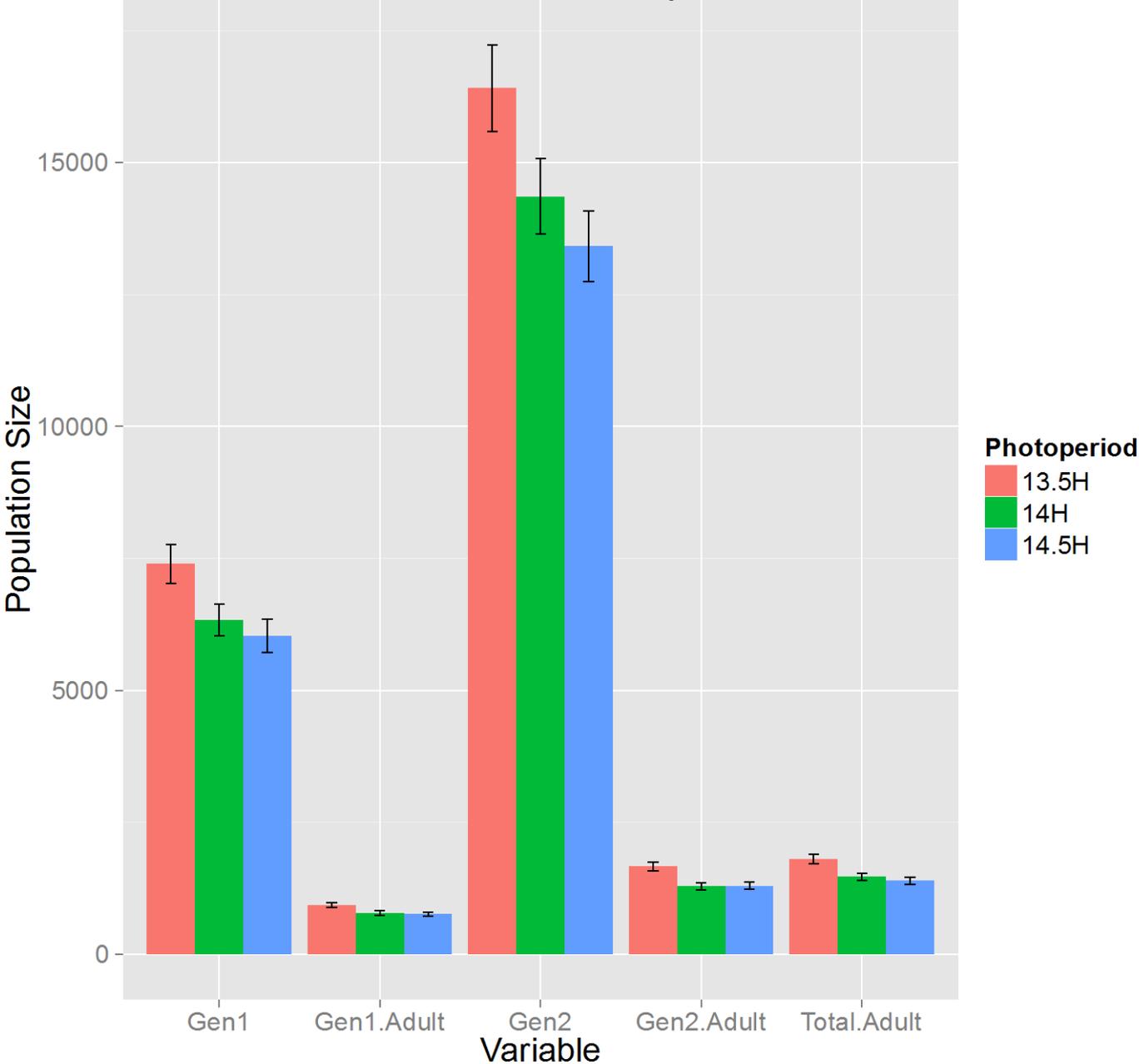




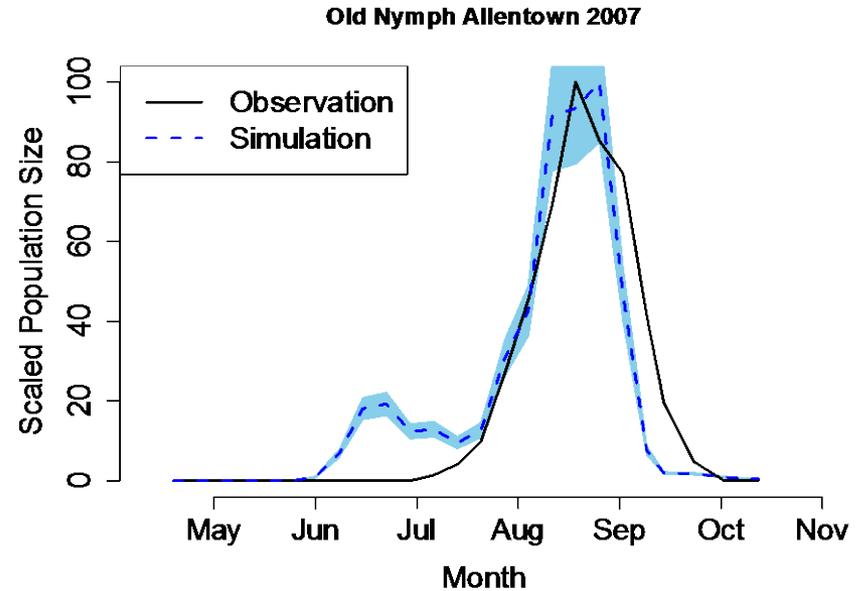
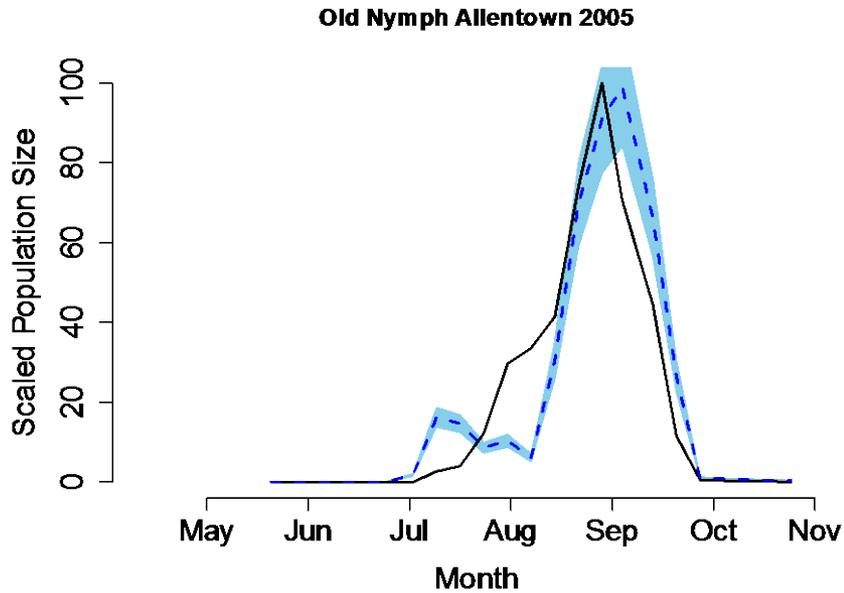
Phenology Model

- Individual, stage-specific variability in development rate and mortality
- Interaction between contrasting environmental factors
 - Southern area has higher DD accumulation but shorter total development period bracketed by the 13.5h critical photoperiod
- Comprehensive consideration of physiology, temperature, photoperiod, phenology, and population

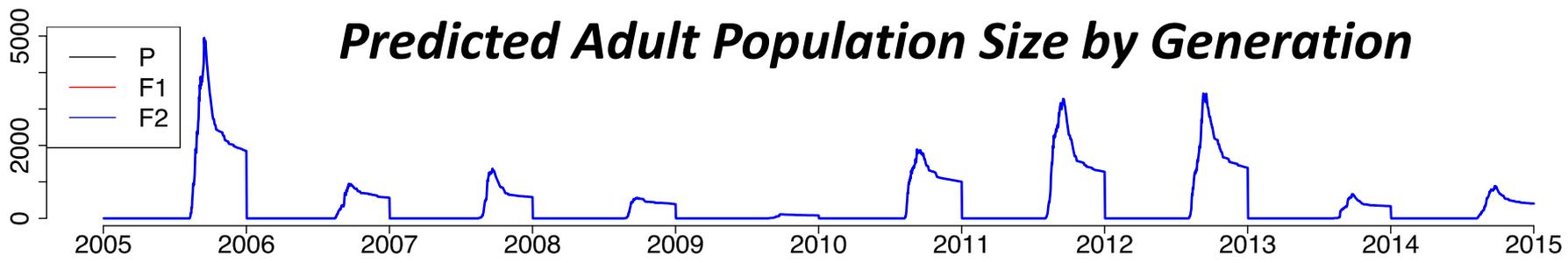
Comparison of Maximum Population Sizes under Different Photoperiods



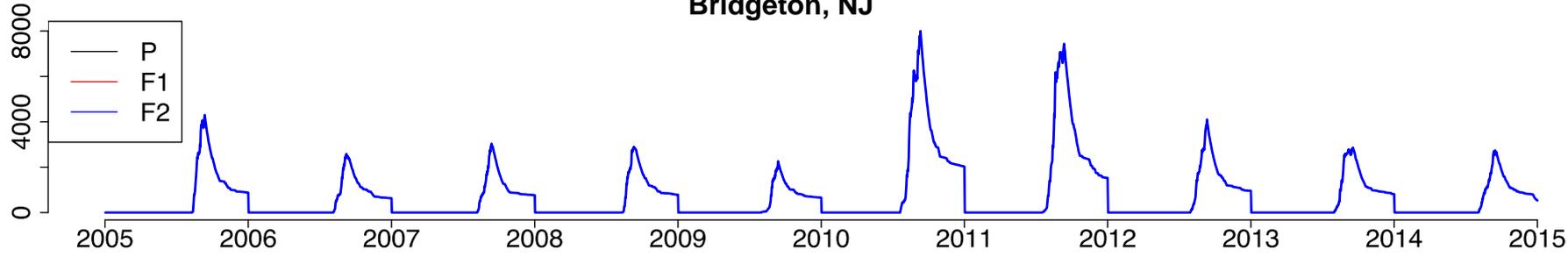
Validation of Model



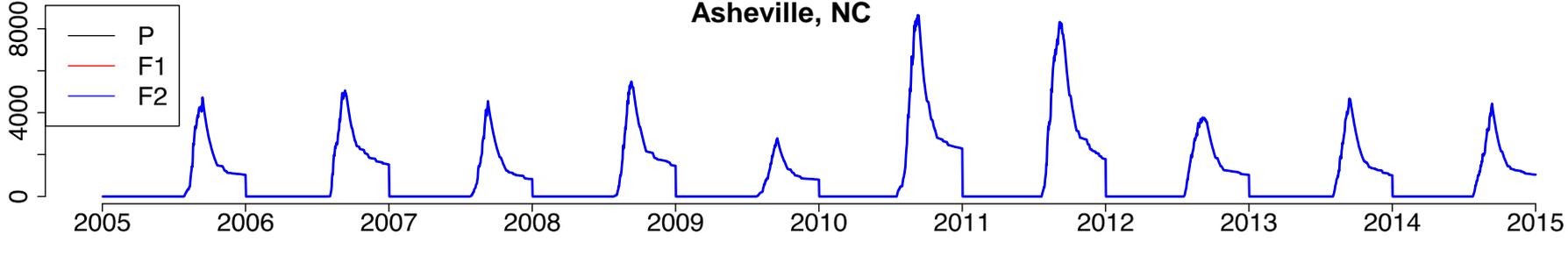
Predicted Adult Population Size by Generation



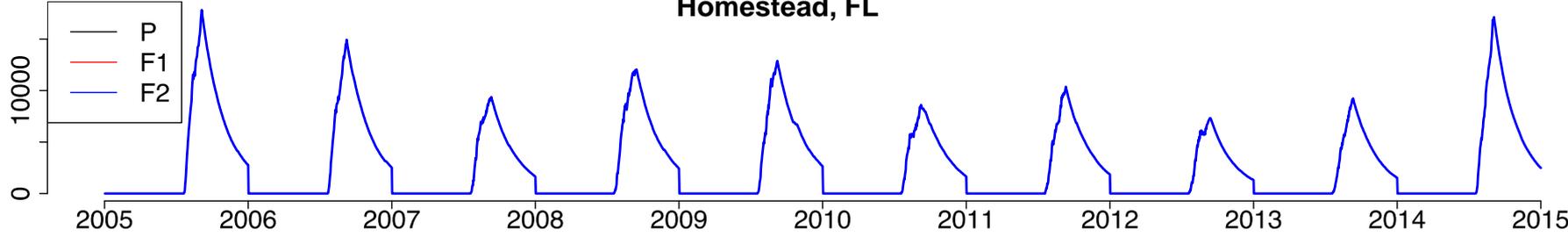
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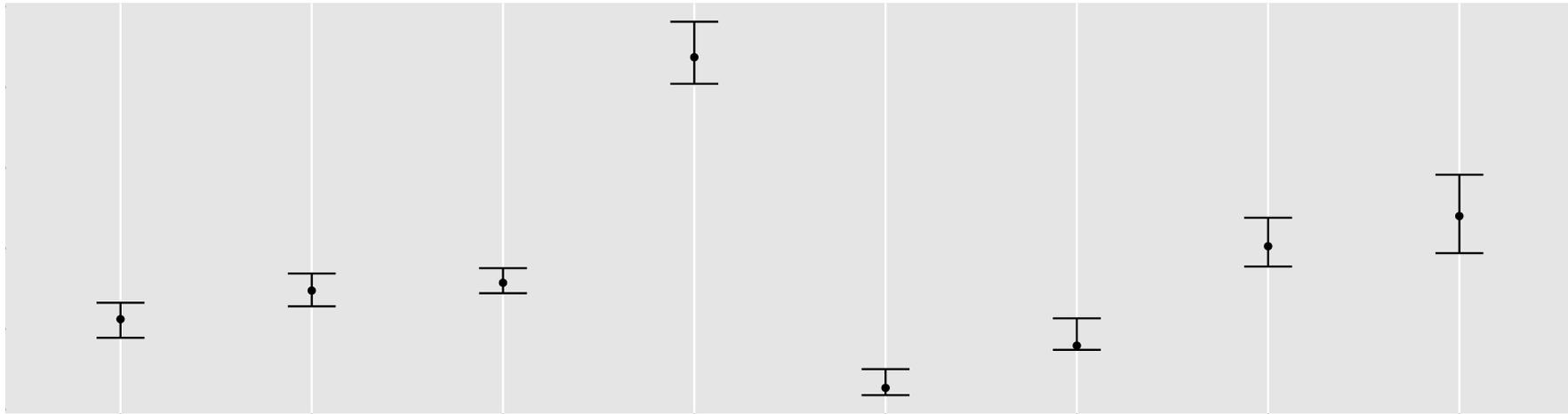
Asheville, NC



Homestead, FL



Degree-Day Accumulation



Final Population Size

Final Population Size

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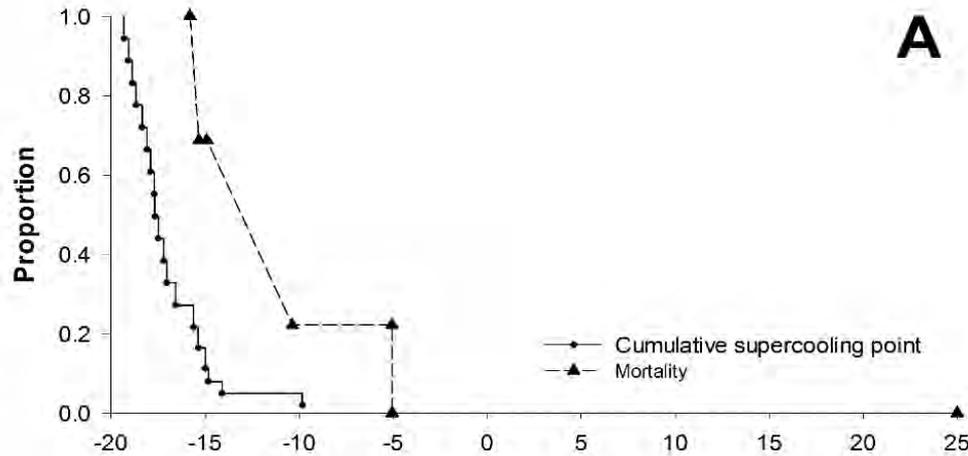
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Overwintering Mortality

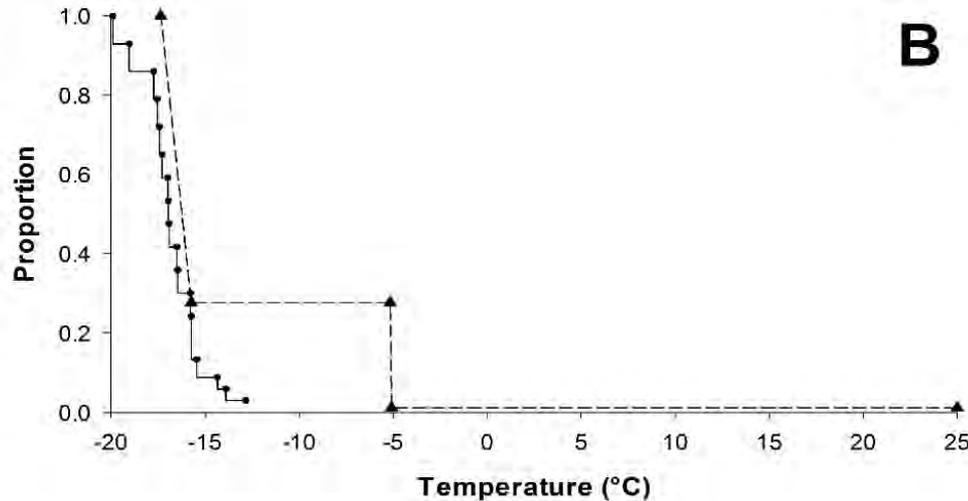
- Haye et al. (2014) showed high survivorship once emerged from overwintering
- Polar Vortex killed 98% of BMSB in VA
 - >6,000 bugs held outside
- Cold tolerance was investigated in MN and VA



Relationship between freezing and mortality: BMSB dies at higher temperatures than it freezes



**-15°C (5°F) is
lethal to BMSB**



- Subfreezing temps may greatly impact BMSB overwintering survival in natural sites
- However, many BMSB seek shelter inside of heated human dwellings



1.3.2 - Determine BMSB invasion patterns into new habitats

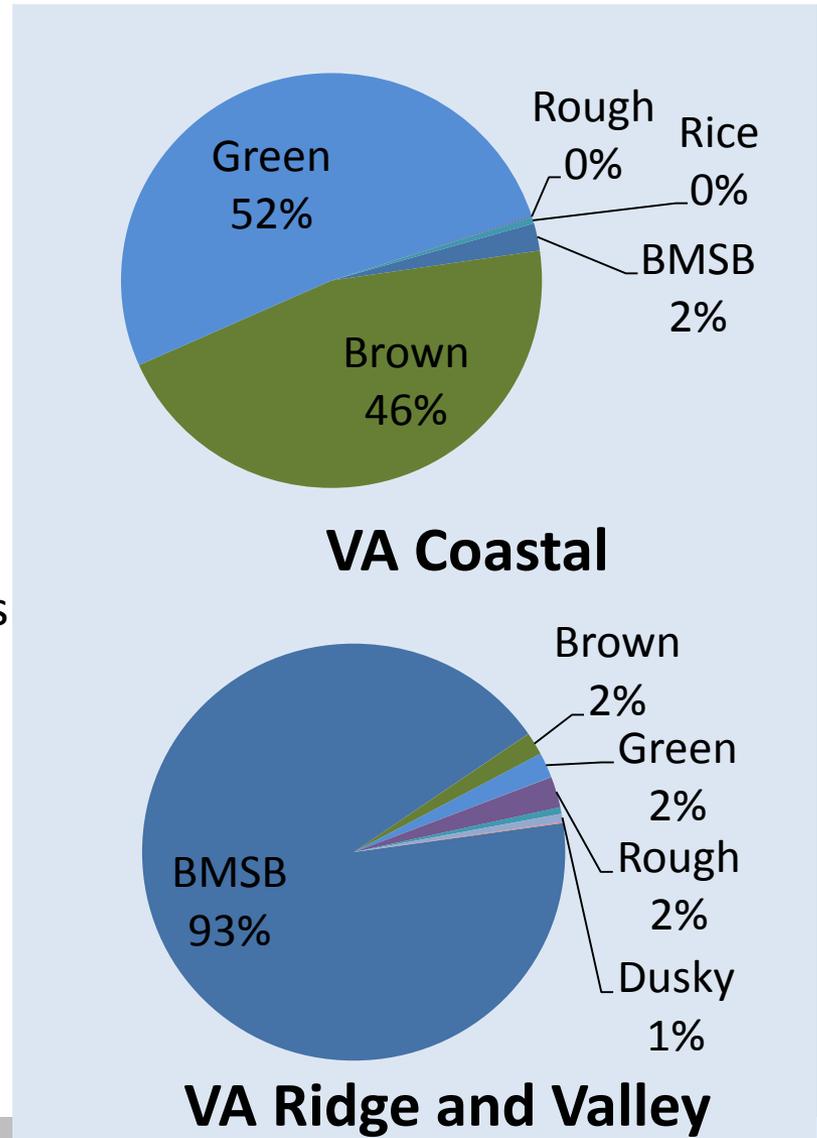
- Surveys of stink bug populations in NC and VA

1.4 - Identify landscape and temporal risk factors associated with BMSB on crops and in adjacent ecosystems

- Landscape features predicting populations in tomatoes

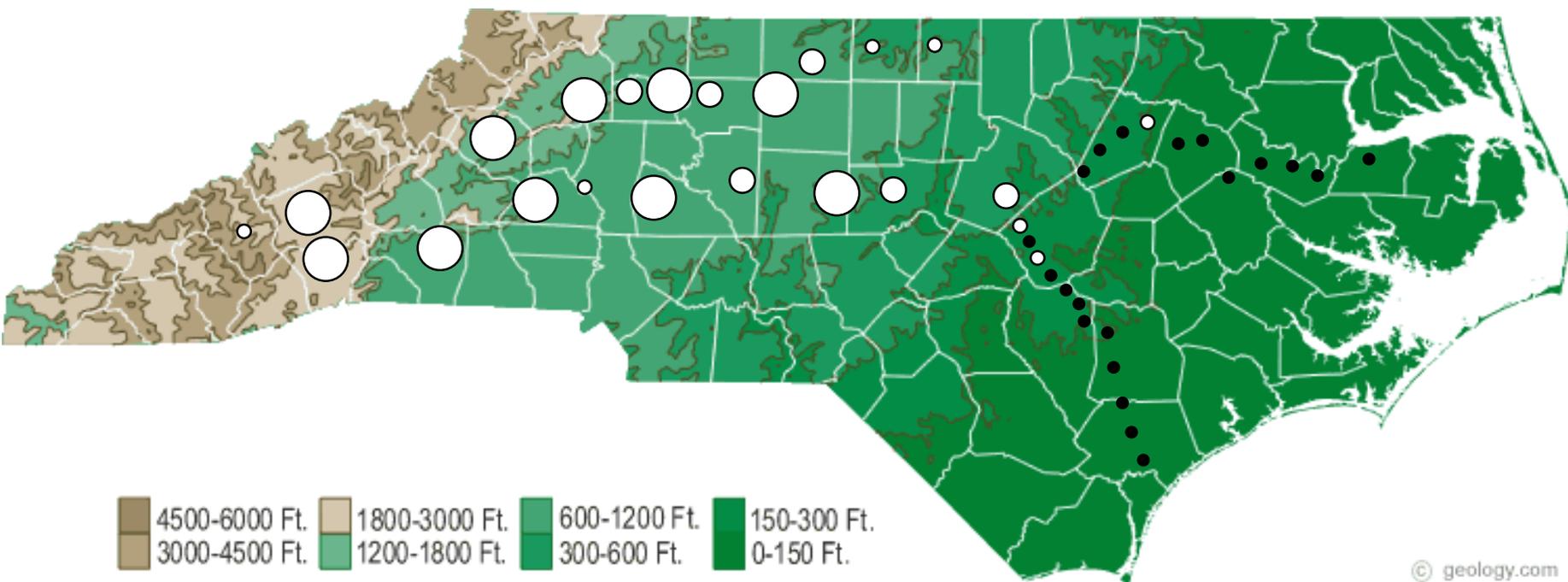
BMSB Surveys

- VA
 - In the Coastal Plain region, native green (52%) and brown (46%) stink bug counts were predominant, while counts of BMSB (2%) were minor.
 - In the Ridge and Valley (Blacksburg) area, BMSB accounted for 93% of all stink bugs observed.
- MD
 - the first and last appearance and abundance across time of BMSB along transects and found distinct preference for the highest elevations by BMSB



BMSB in NC Soybeans – September 2014

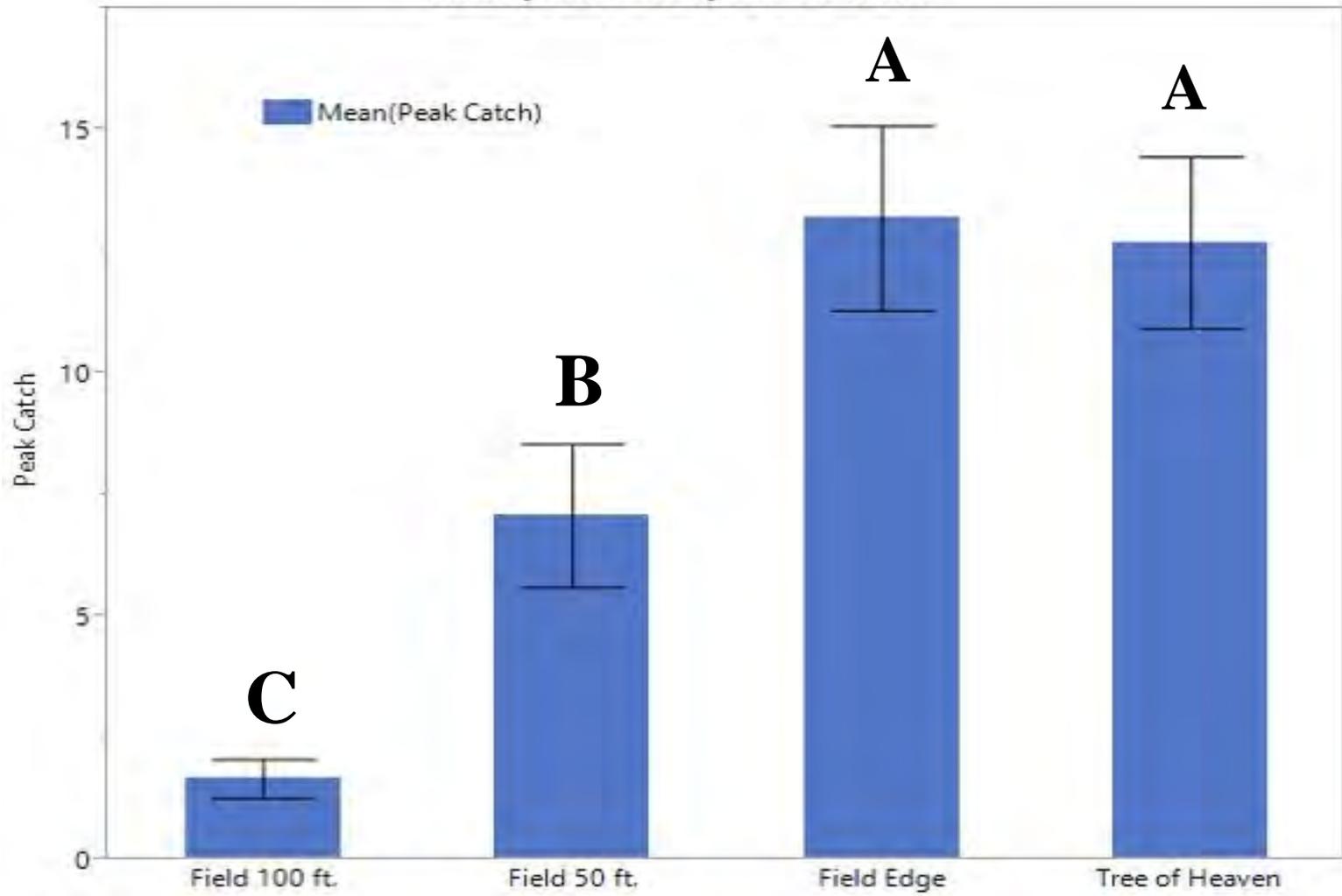
No. per 40 sweeps	
• 0	○ >5 adults + nymphs
○ <2 adults and nymphs	○ >10 adults + nymphs



Tree of Heaven Surveys



Mean(Peak Catch) vs. Location



PA Landscape Analysis

- Arc GIS
 - NASS USDA
- 200m edge
- Landscape classes
 - Agriculture
 - Forest
 - Orchard
 - Other
- Forest edge and forest size were the significant landscape factors predicting BMSB damage

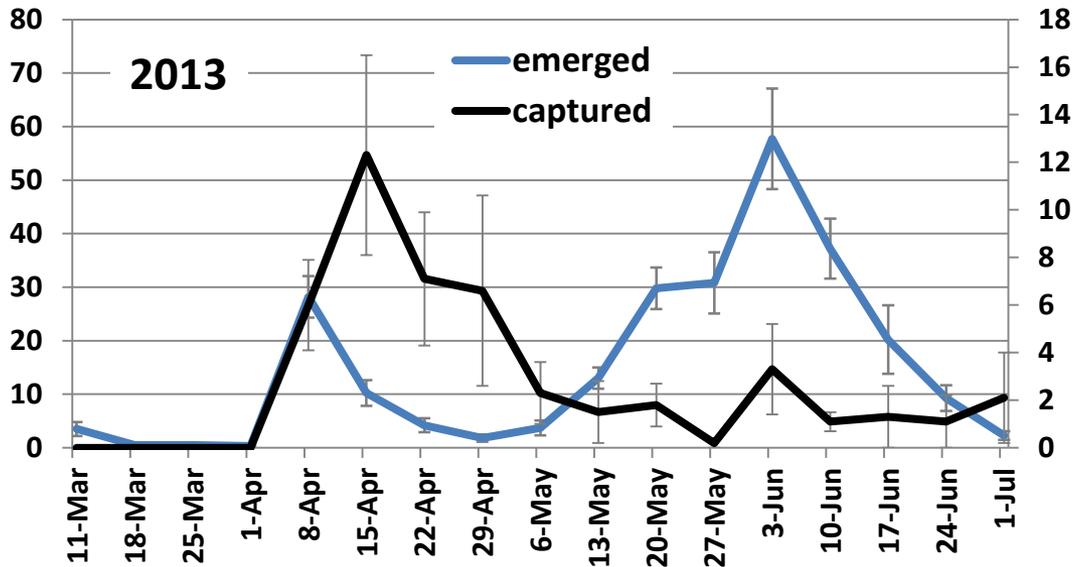


Phenology and Landscape Summary

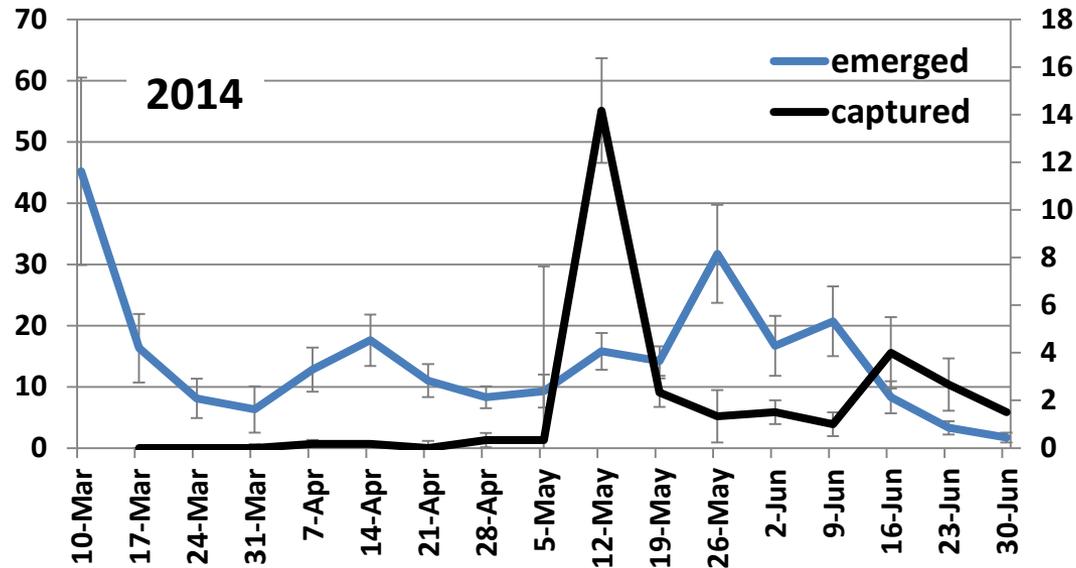
- All estimates are going to yield slightly different estimates based on methods
- Generally, BMSB can be bivoltine across its US distribution
- 13.4-14h daylength is the critical photoperiod
- Identification allows populations to be modeled
 - Model predicts high population growth in some areas (Asheville, NC and Davis, CA)
 - Model predicts low population growth in others (Wenatchee, WA)
- Populations are low in coastal areas and high inland and at high elevations
- Forest edge is associated with colonization of crops



Mean (\pm SE) no. BMSB emerged per week

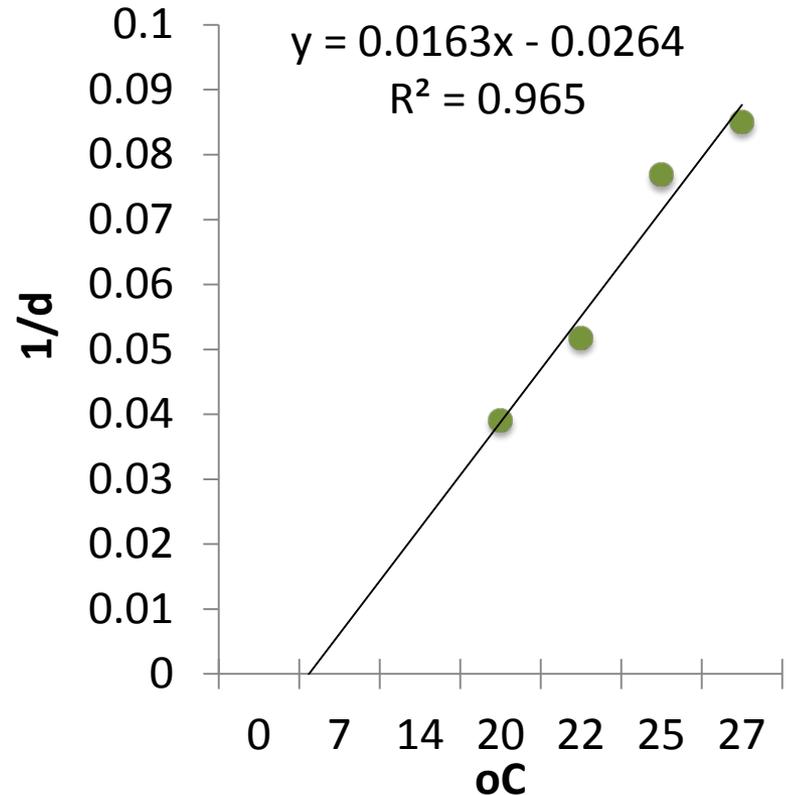


Mean (\pm SE) no. BMSB captured per week



Identification of BMSB Developmental Physiology

- Degree-day requirements for development identified
- DD requirements for oviposition still unclear
- Laboratory study



61 DD pre-oviposition period

1.1.2 - Movement to and from overwintering sites and overwintering survivorship

- When does BMSB emerge from overwintering sites?
- What is the duration of the emergence period?
- What factors influence emergence?
- Do captures in pheromone traps reflect emergence?
- Relevant to risk assessment, monitoring, intervention, and understanding BMSB population dynamics

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Conclusions

- Overwintering BMSB emerged over a period of ~2.5 months
- Early, smaller peak of emergence appeared to be primarily associated with a period of warmer temperatures (smaller and/or weak bugs depleted of resources?)
- Later, larger peak associated with temperature and/or change (stabilized?) in photoperiod
- Pheromone traps appeared to reflect onset emergence reasonably well
 - Marked bugs assumed to have dispersed from emergence site
- Need to conduct studies in north-south transect with naturally settling adults