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.

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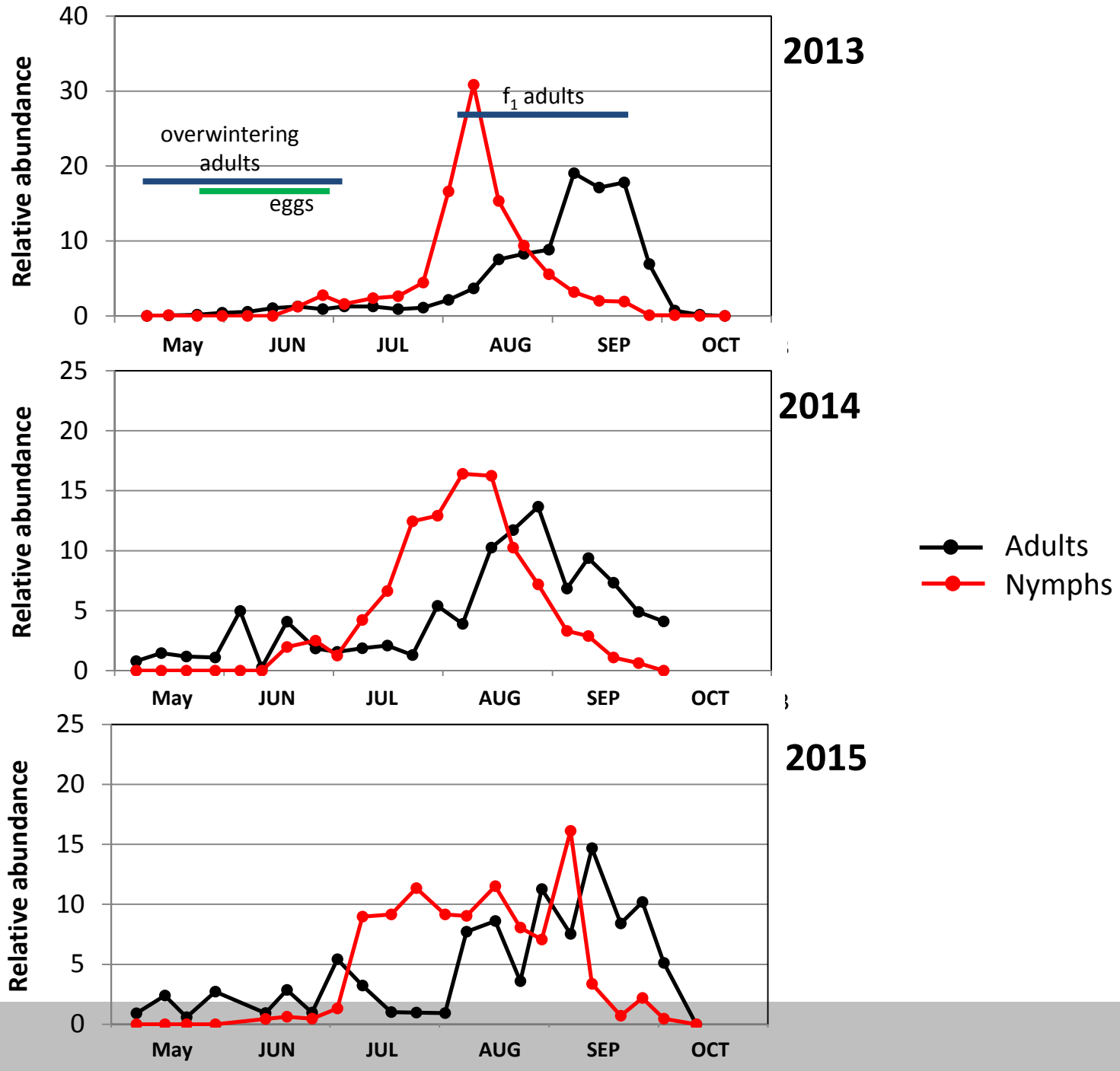
Seasonality in NC



What Do We Use as a Biofix?

- When development in the field begins
- Critical for determining the number of generations
- Development takes 538 DD_{14} *(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?

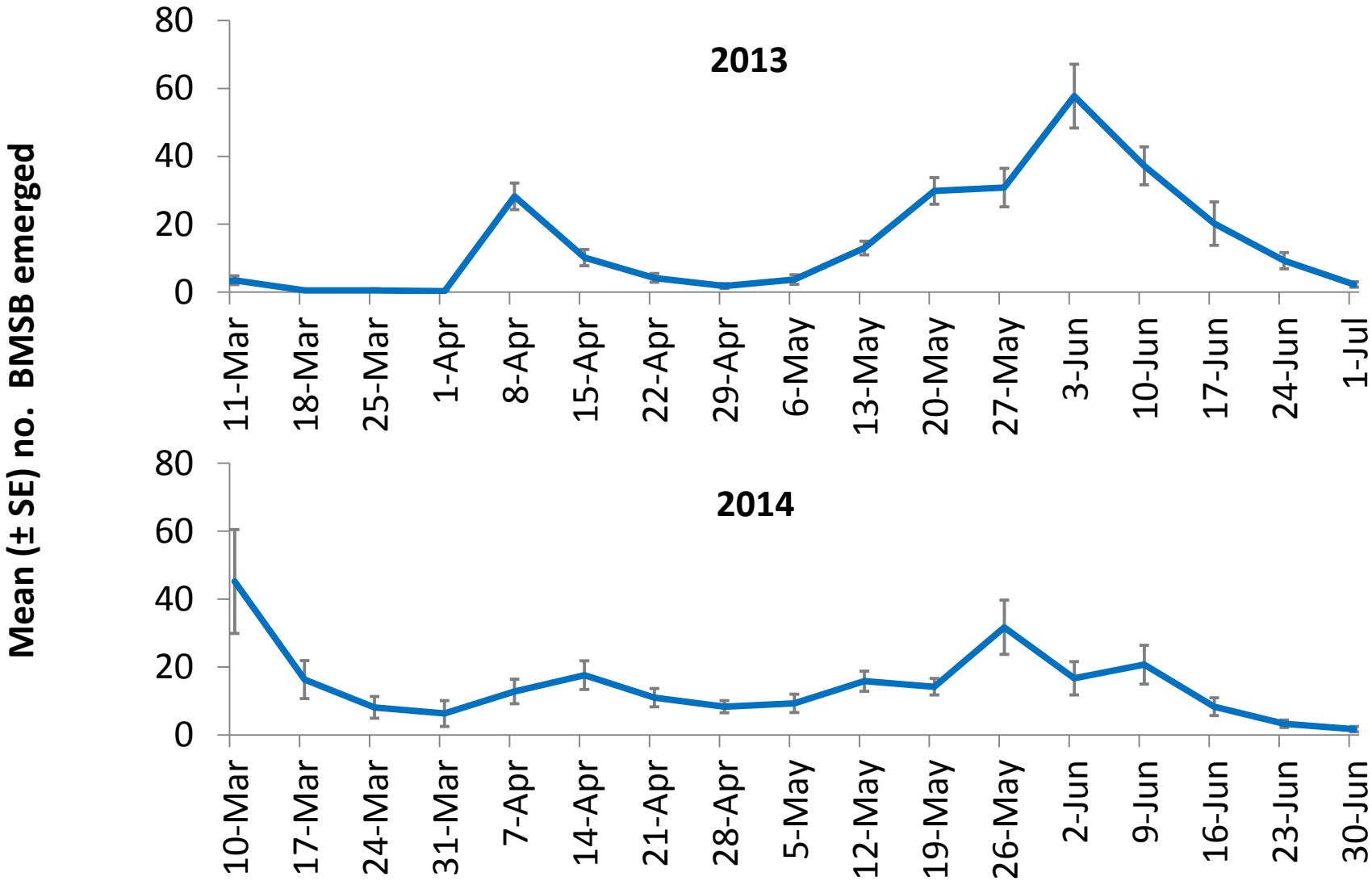
Multiple studies have been used to investigate this

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

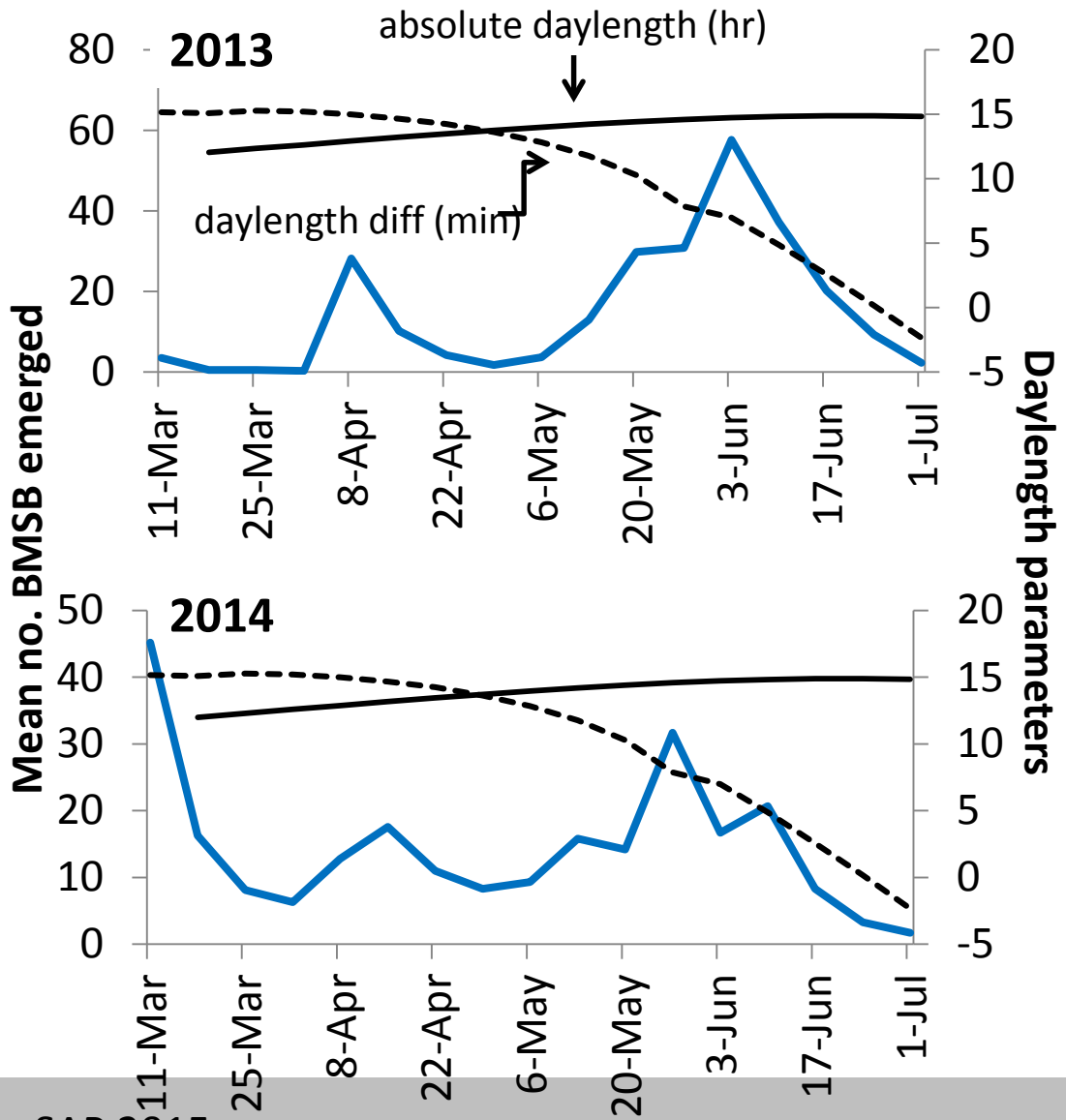
Emergence from Overwintering Cages

- 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

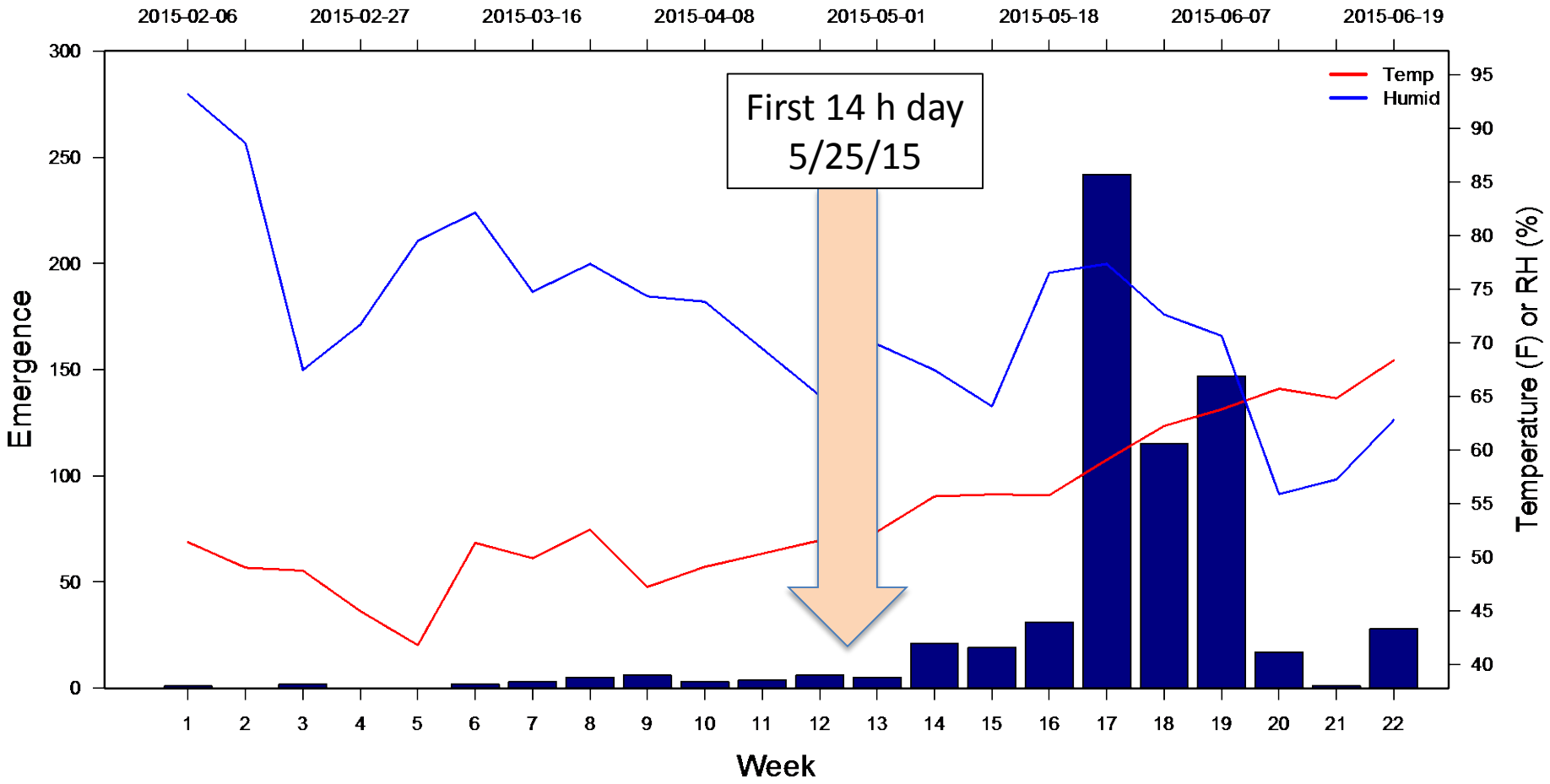
Year	Tau	P
2013	-0.4207	**< 0.019**
2014	0.0969	= 0.592
Both	-0.1652	= 0.176

Kendall's Tau Correlation Coefficient:

May 26 – July 1

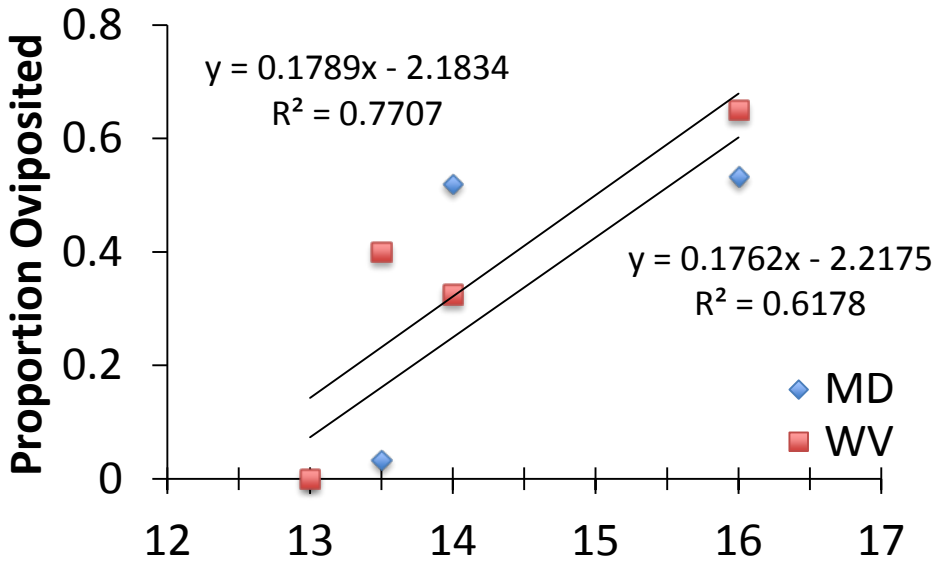
Year	Tau	P
2013	0.7333	**< 0.039**
2014	0.8667	**= 0.015**
Both	0.6992	**< 0.002**

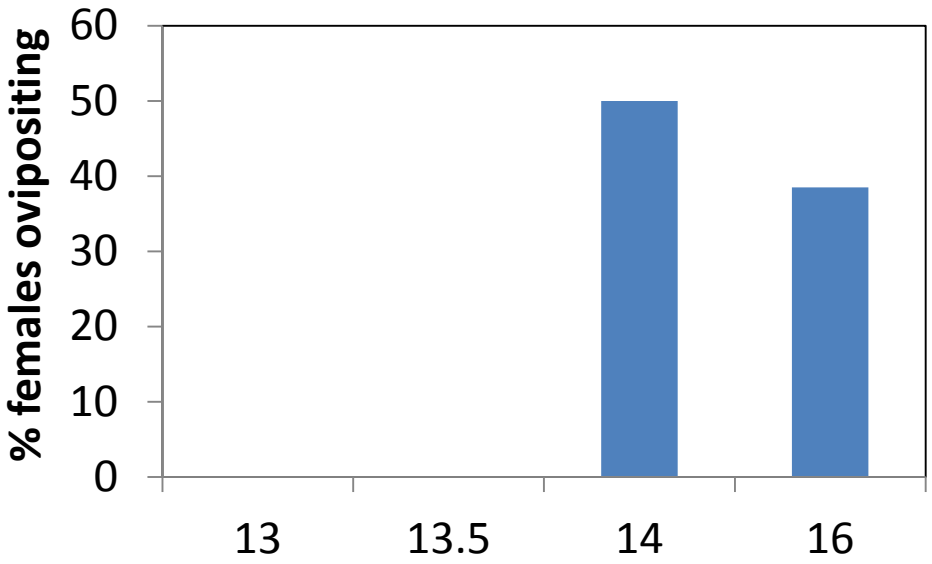
Emergence study results - OR



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**





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2015 New York BMSB Voltinism Results Hudson Valley and Western NY

Events	Date	DD_{50F}
25M / 25F to outdoor voltinism tent	14 May*	
1st egg cluster	28 May	0.0
1st instar	3 June	36.0
2nd instar	15 June	253.0
3rd instar	22 June	396.4
4th instar	29 June	513.8
5th instar (7th July Collapse)	*24 July (wild)*	*1062.3*
1st 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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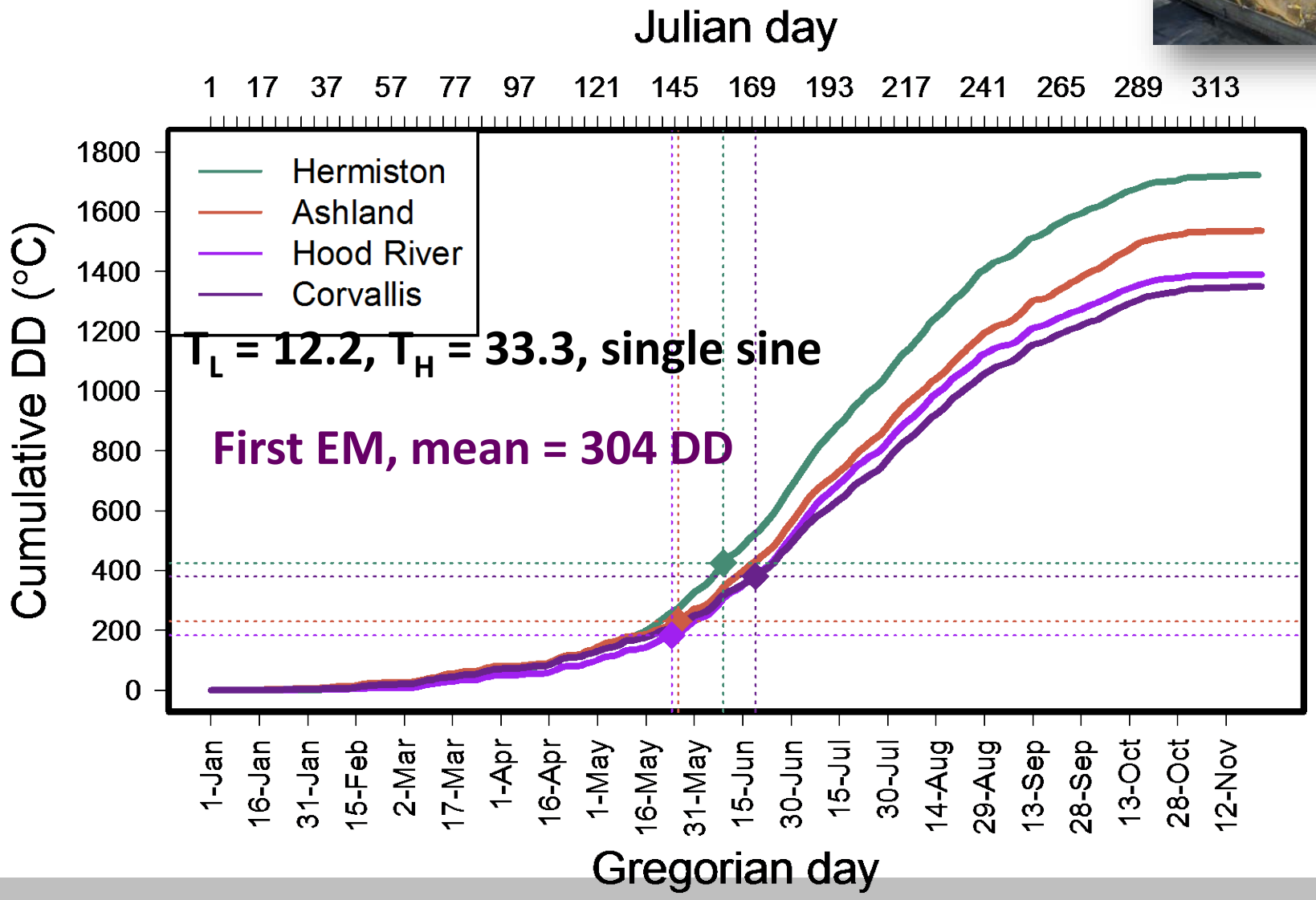
Voltinism Cages - OR



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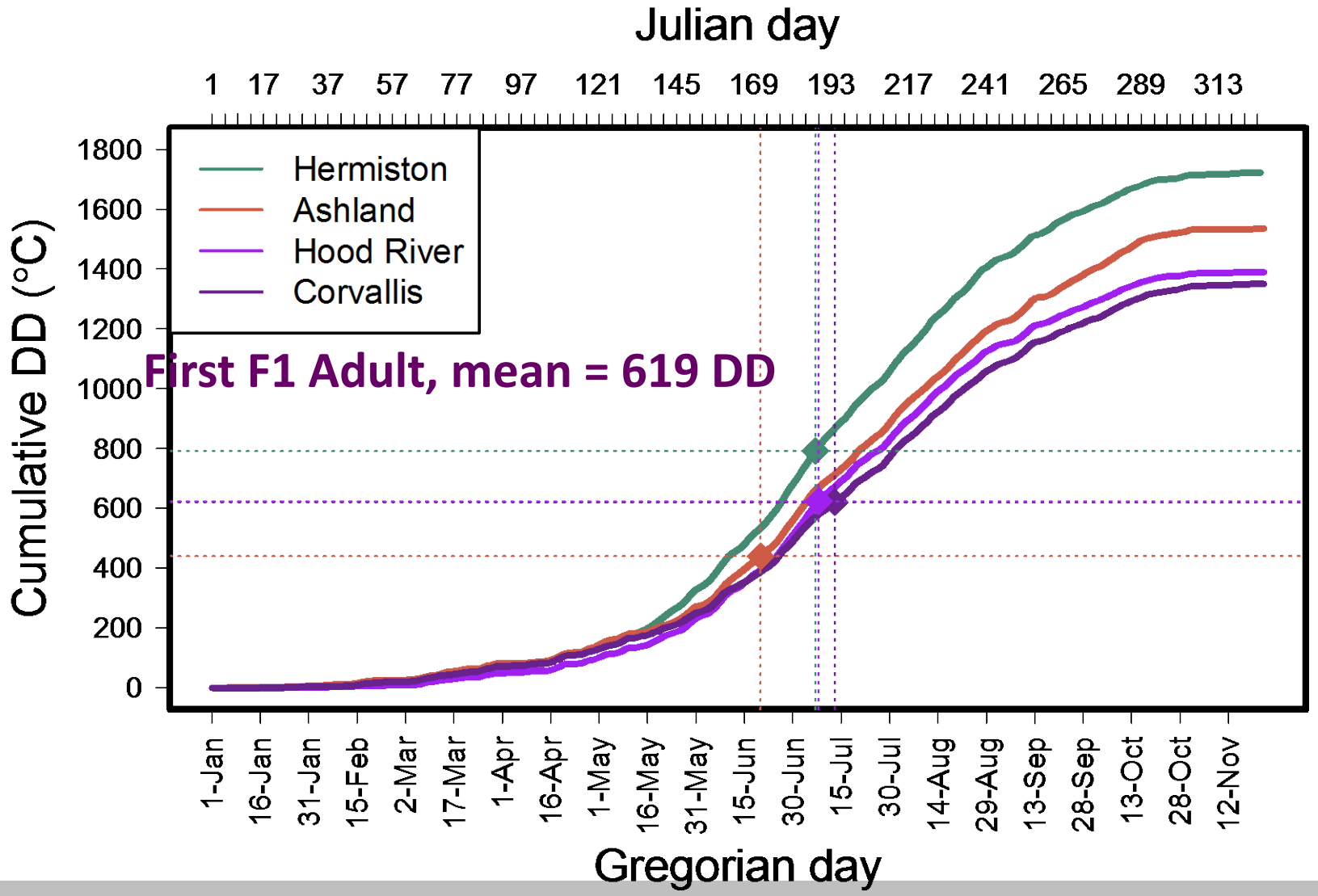

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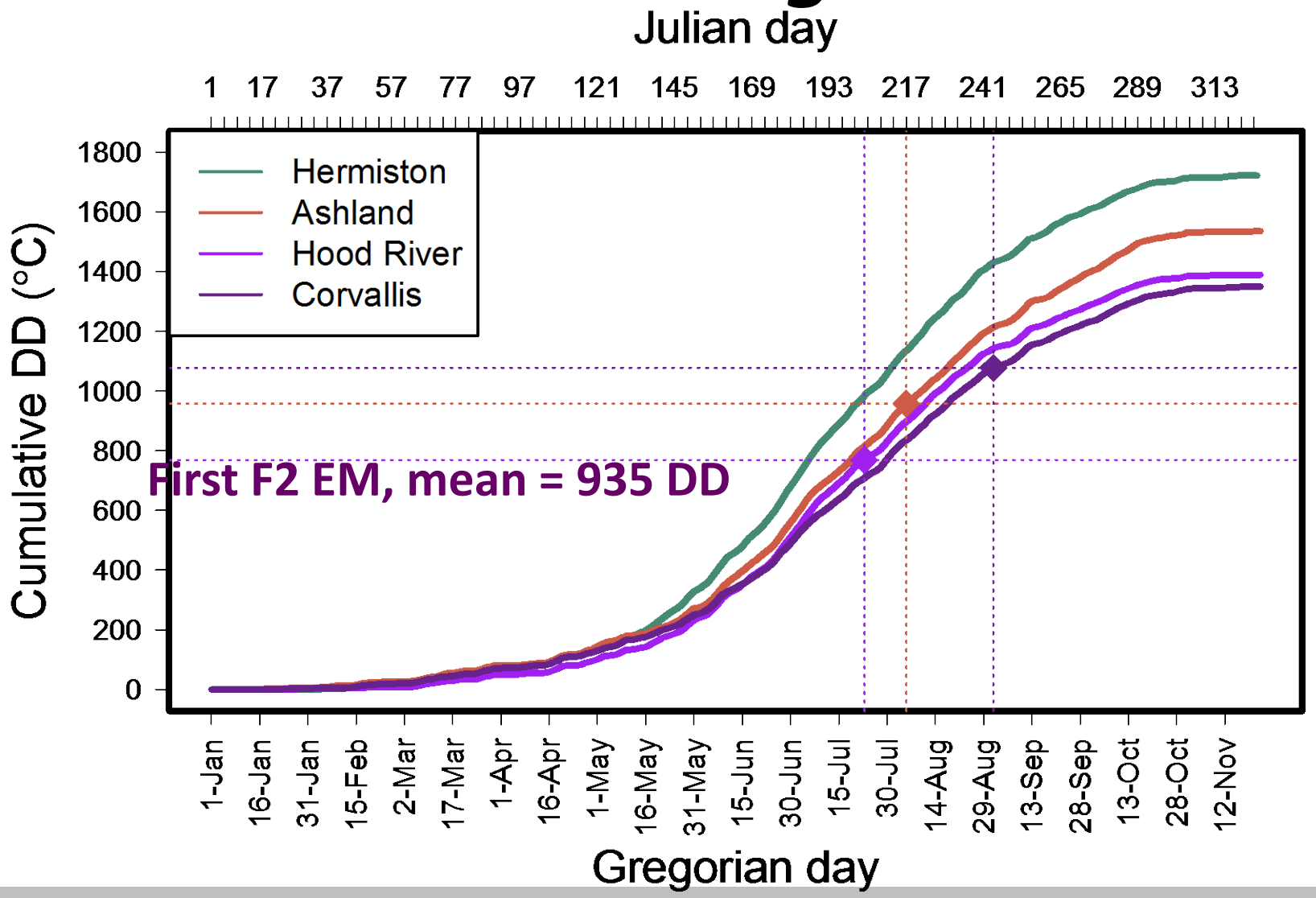

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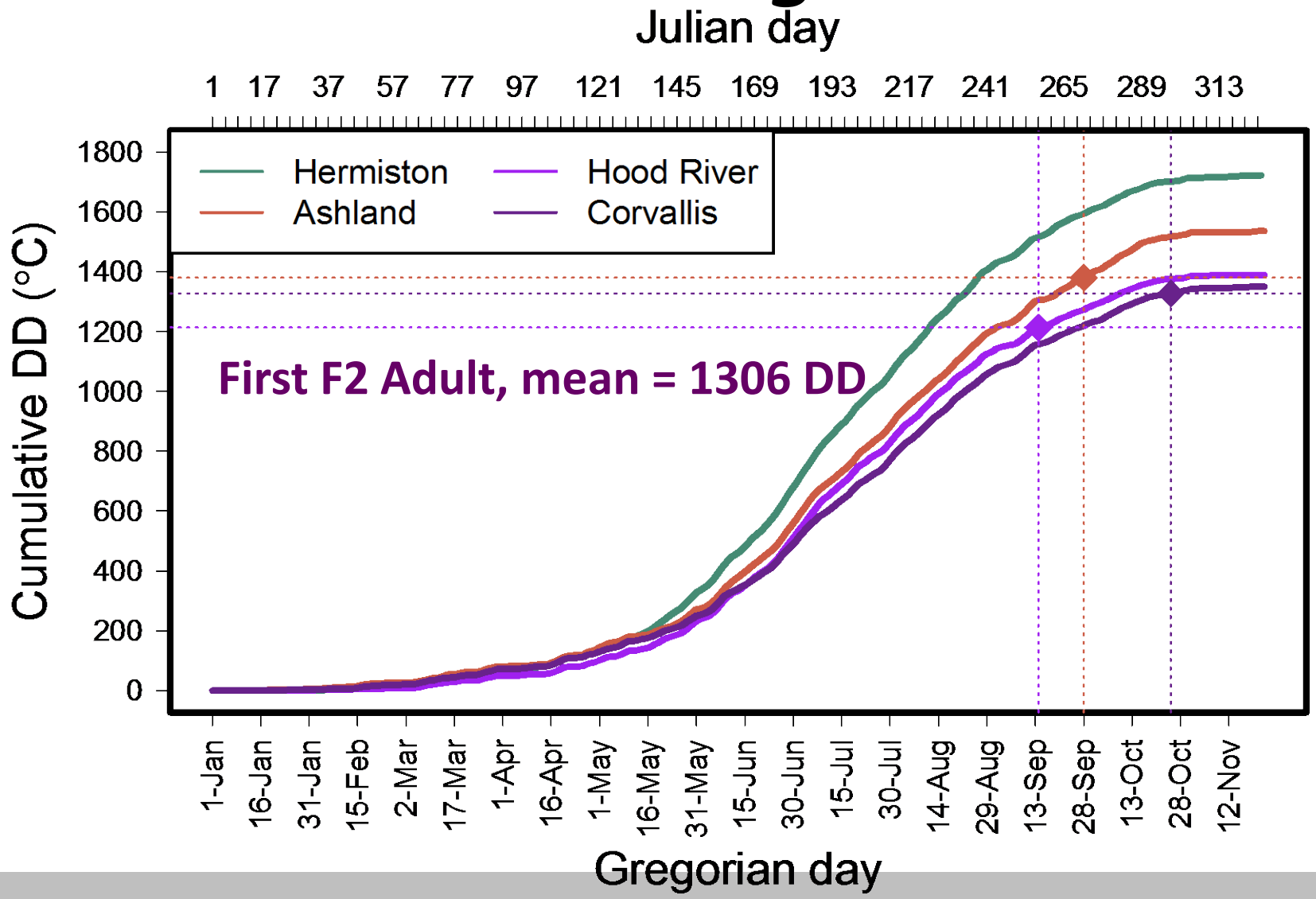

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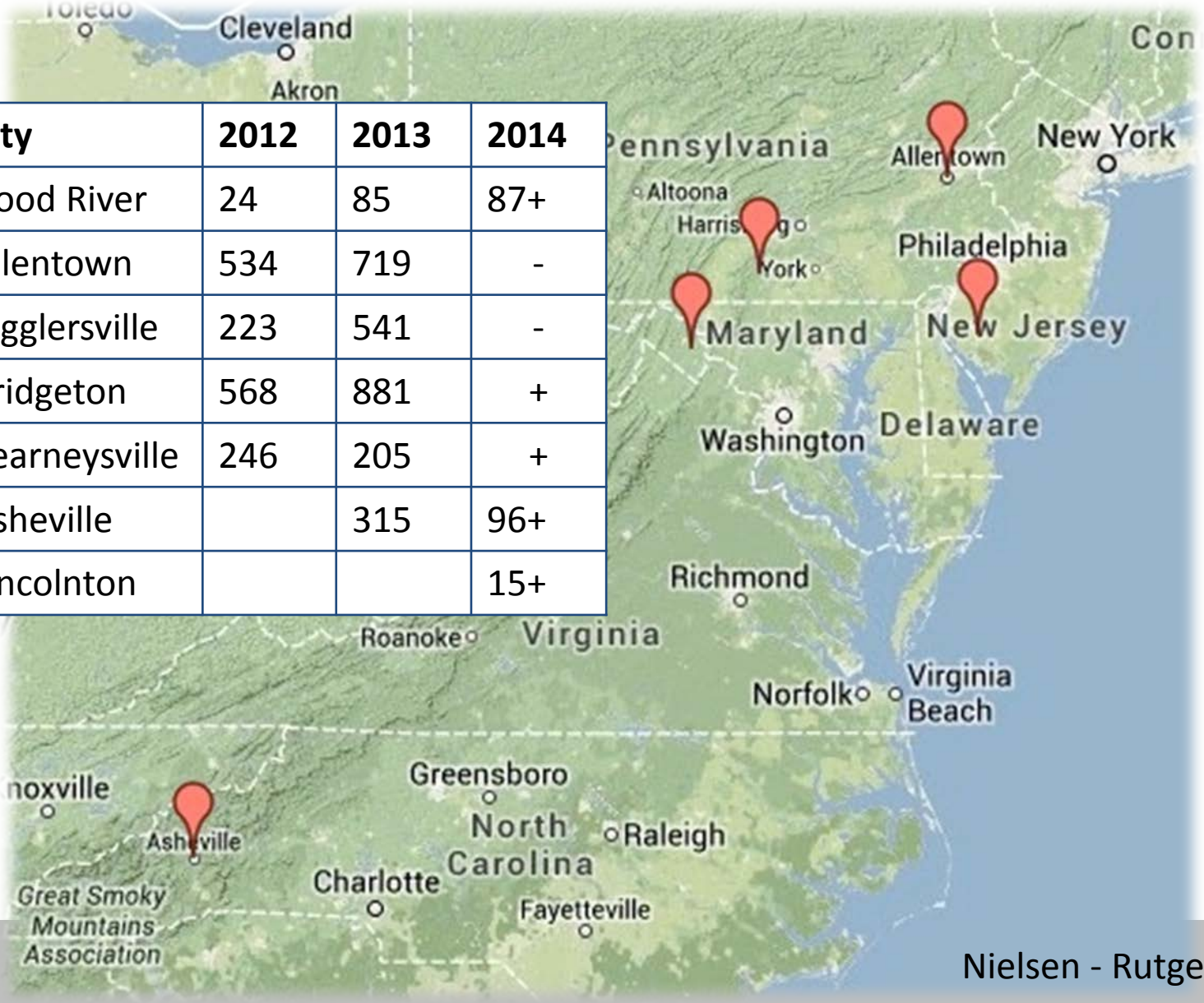
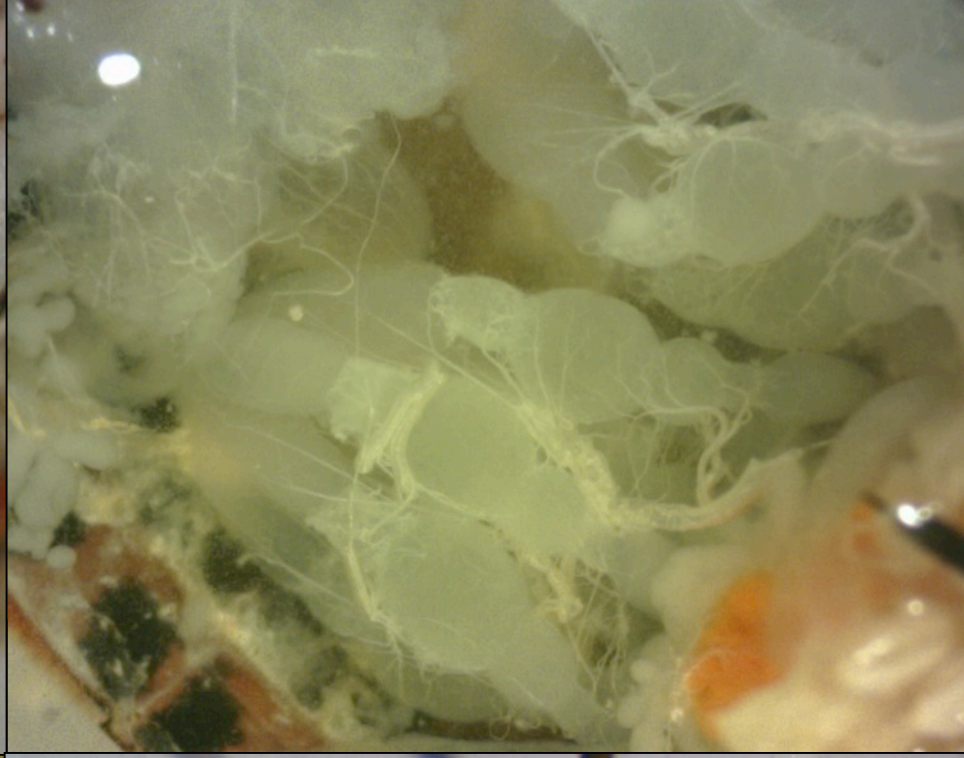
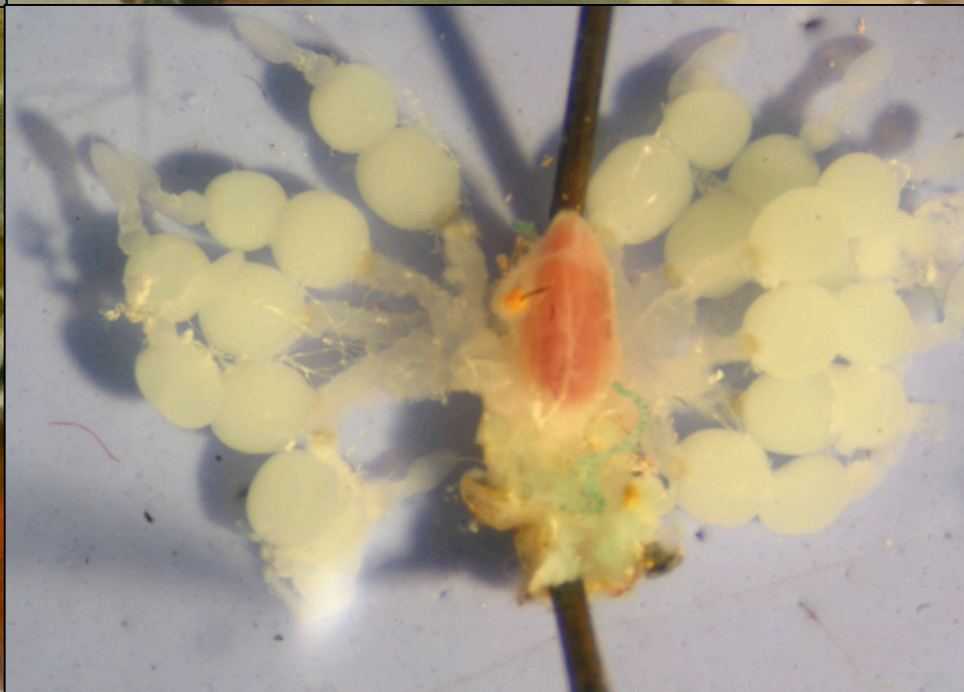
Female Reproductive Phenology

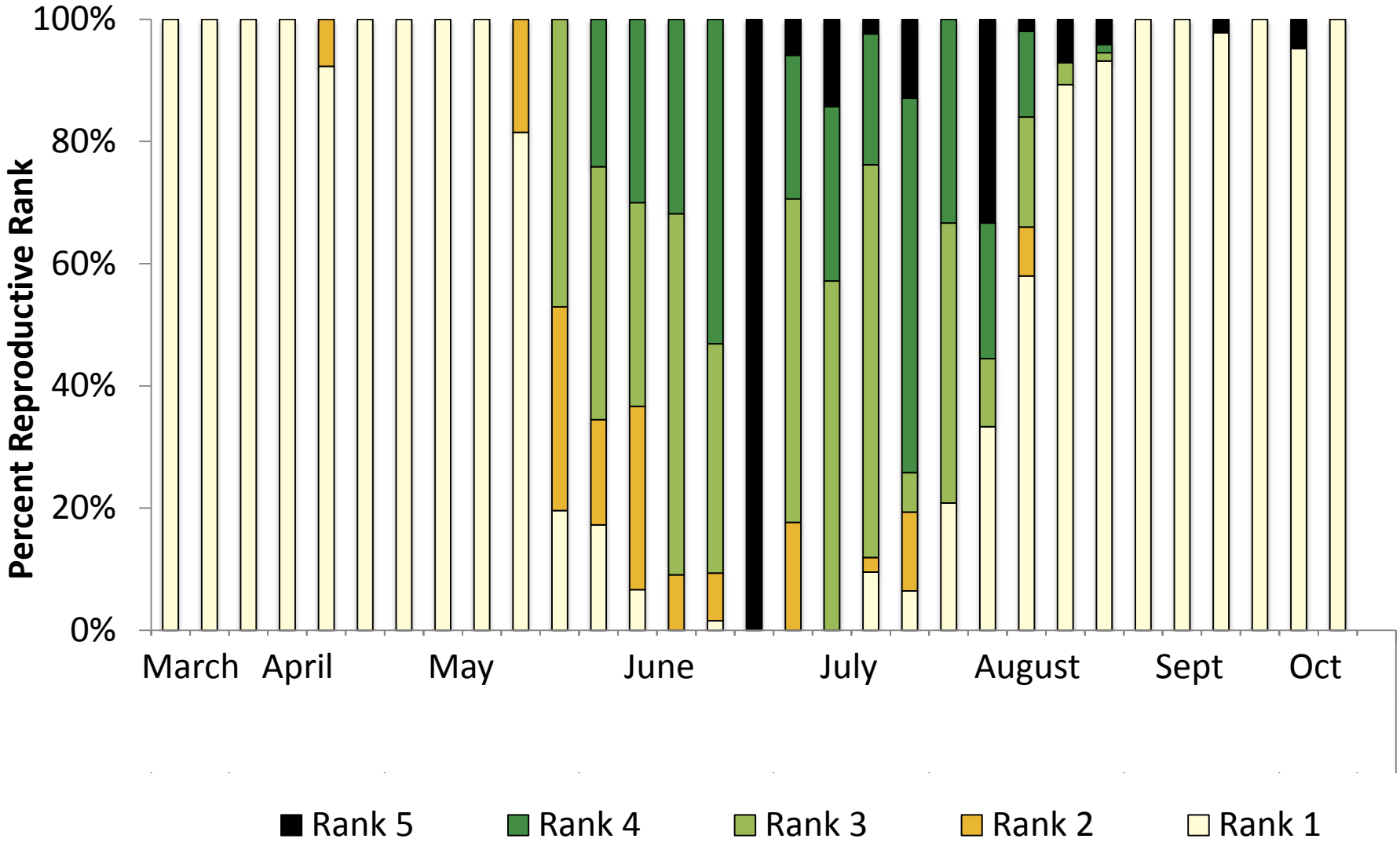
State	City	2012	2013	2014
OR	Hood River	24	85	87+
PA	Allentown	534	719	-
PA	Bigglersville	223	541	-
NJ	Bridgeton	568	881	+
WV	Kearneysville	246	205	+
NC	Asheville		315	96+
NC	Lincolnton			15+

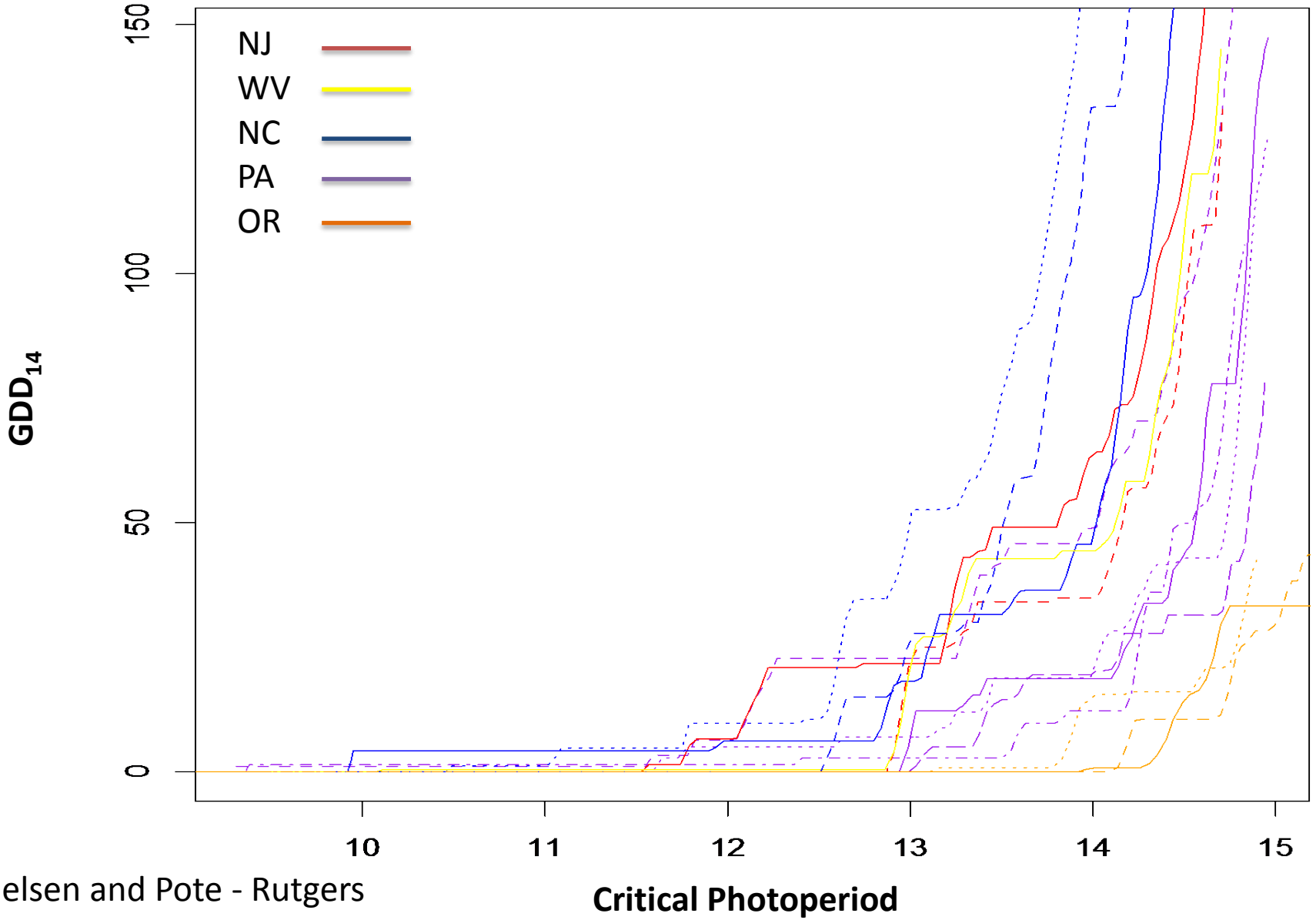




Bridgeton, NJ 2014





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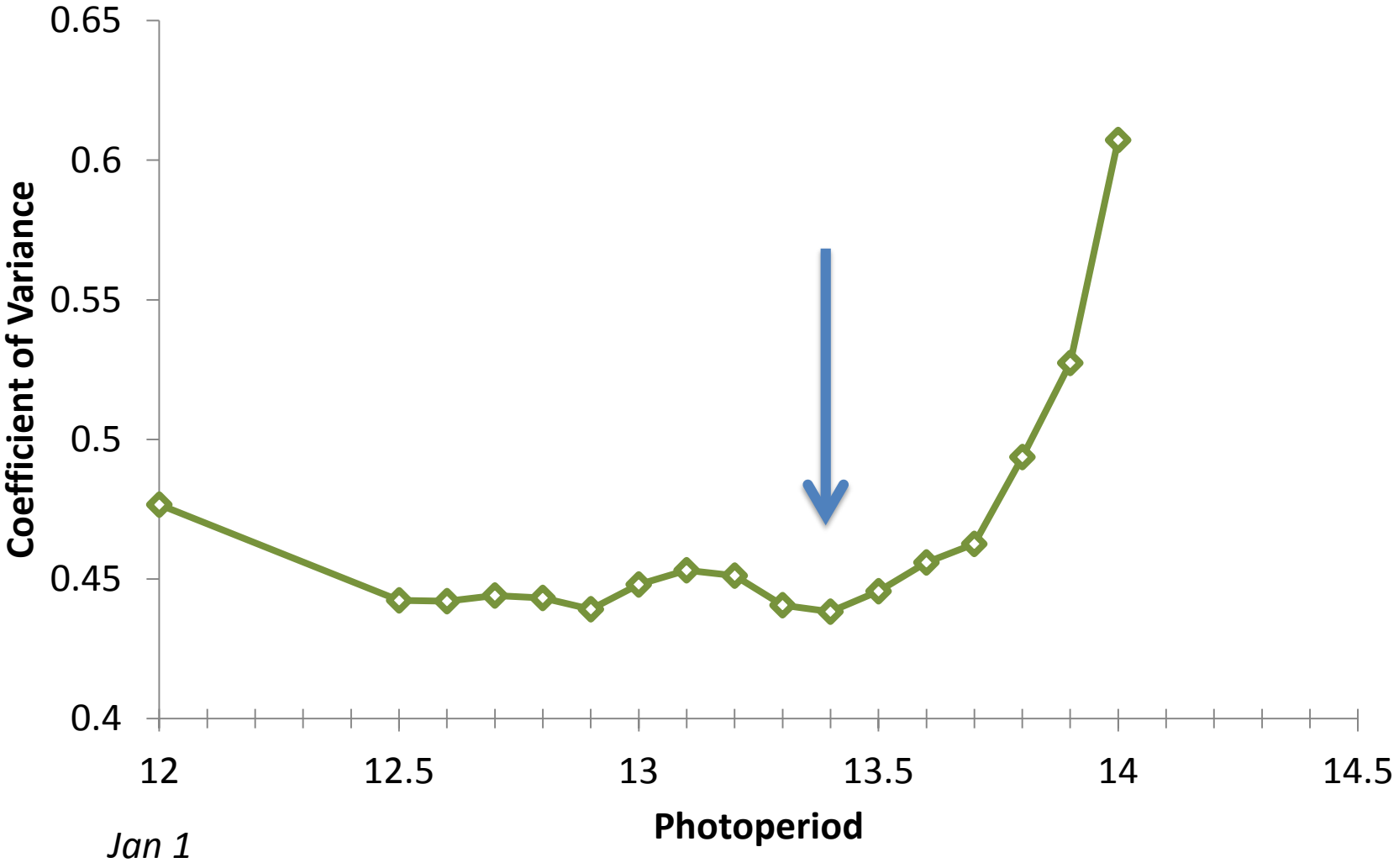

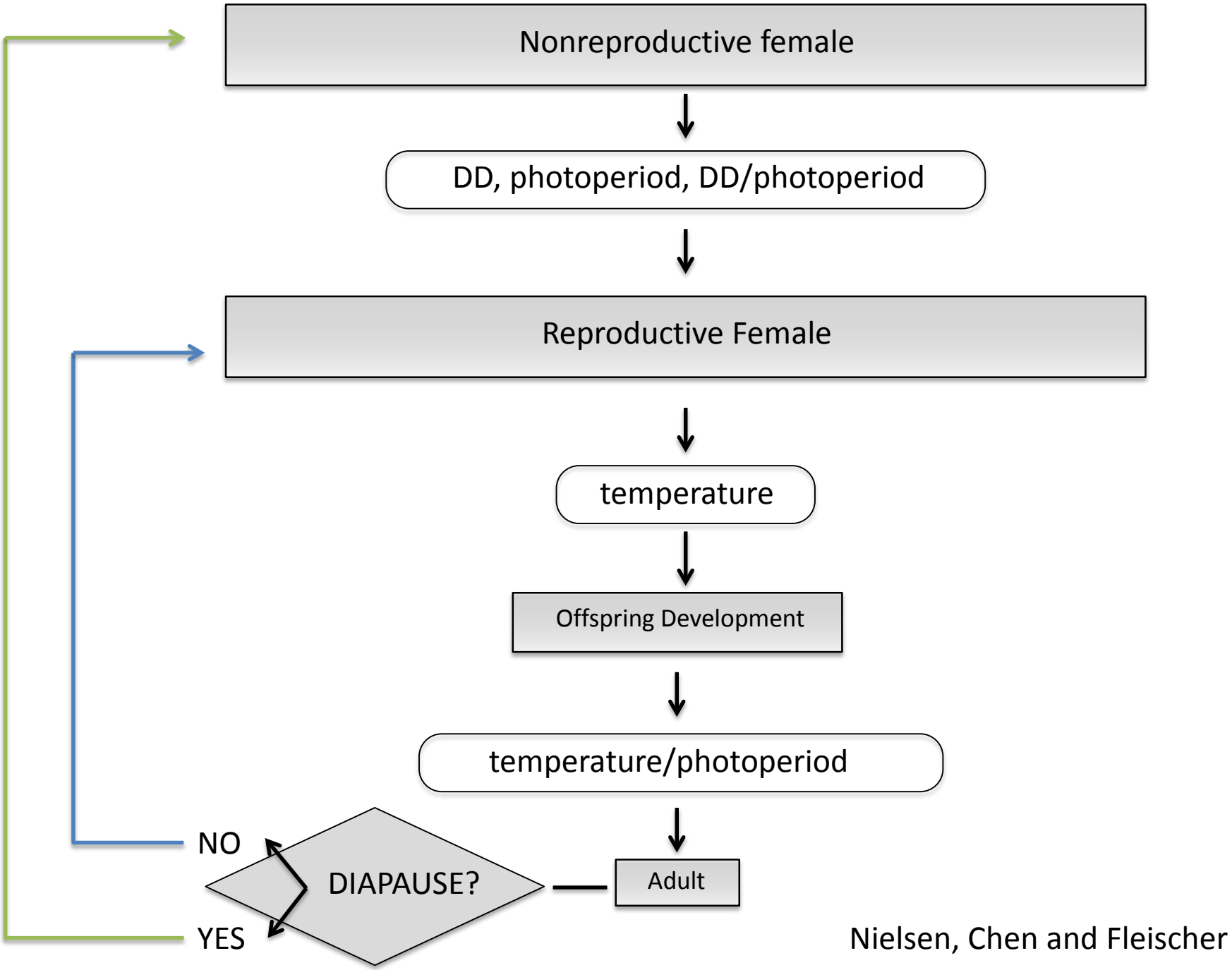

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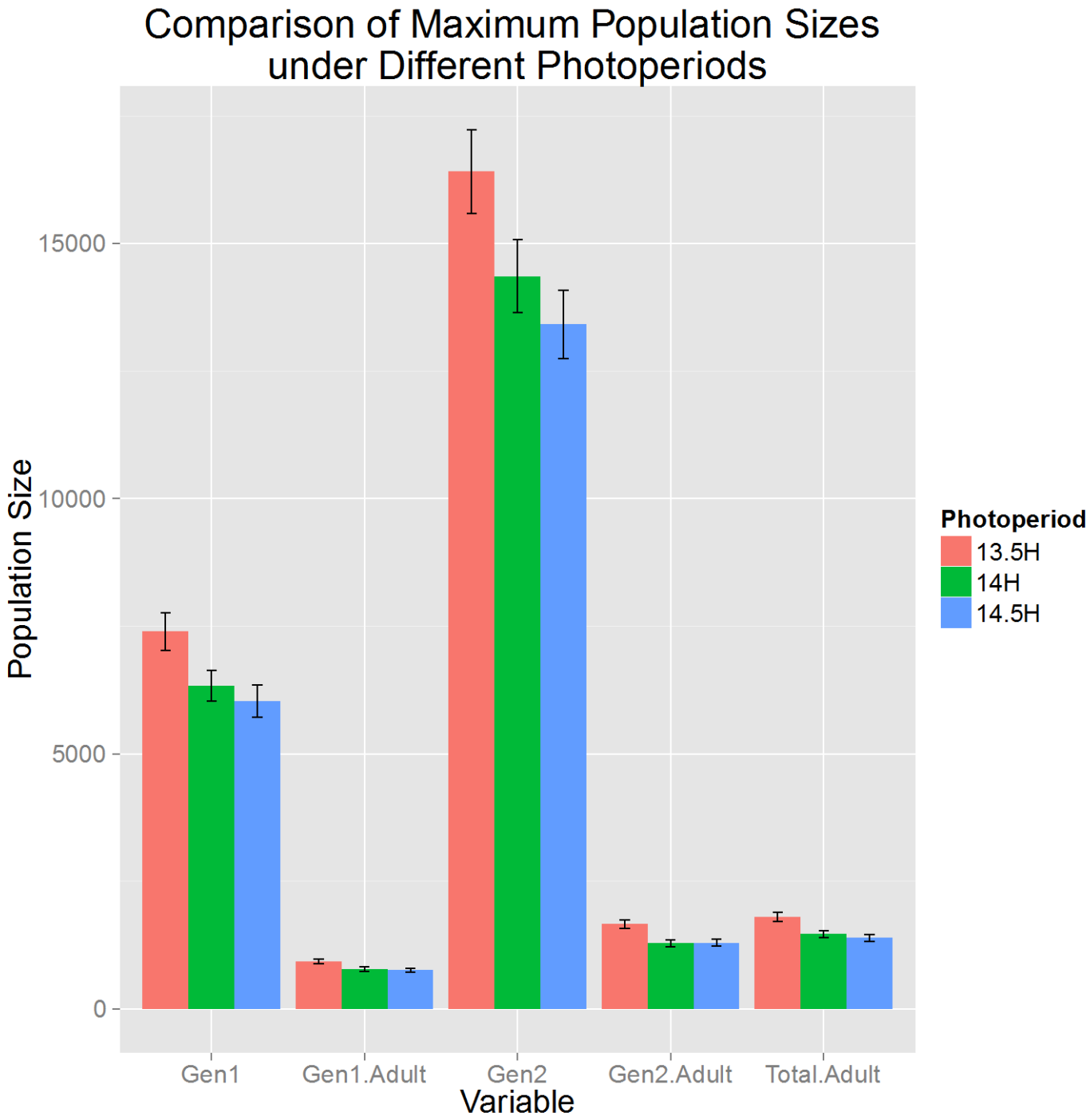
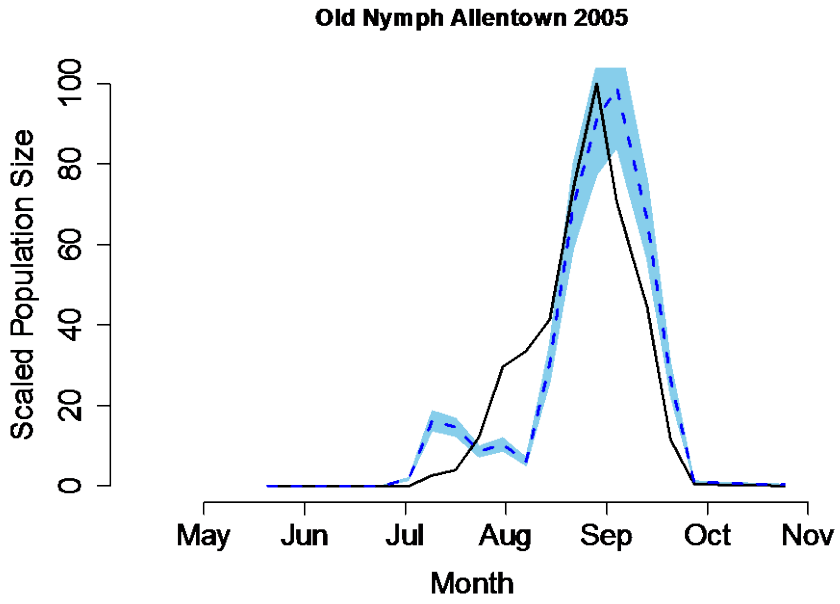
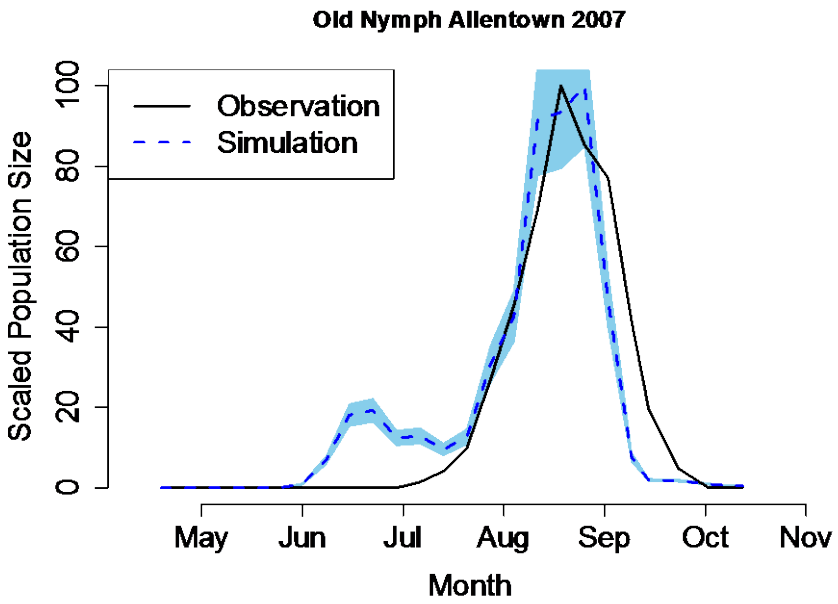
Phenology Model

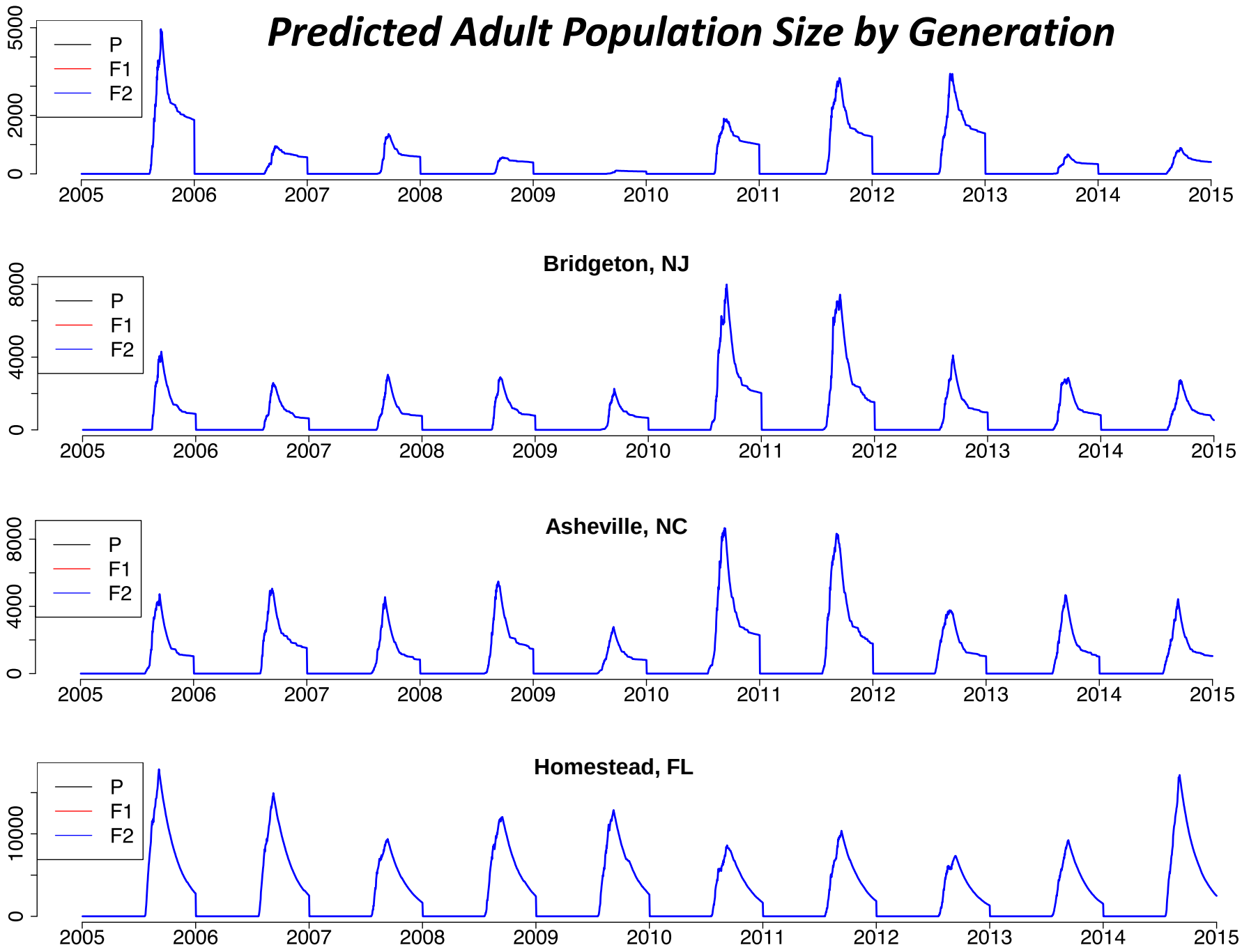
- Individual, stage-specific variability in development rate and mortality
- Interaction between contrasting environmental factors
  - Southern area has higher DD accumulation but shorter total development period bracketed by the 13.5h critical photoperiod
- Comprehensive consideration of physiology,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


Comparison of Maximum Population Sizes
under Different Photoperiods
Population Size
15000
10000
5000
0
Gen1
Gen1.Adult
Gen2
Gen2.Adult
Total.Adult
Variable
Photoperiod
13.5H
14H
14.5H

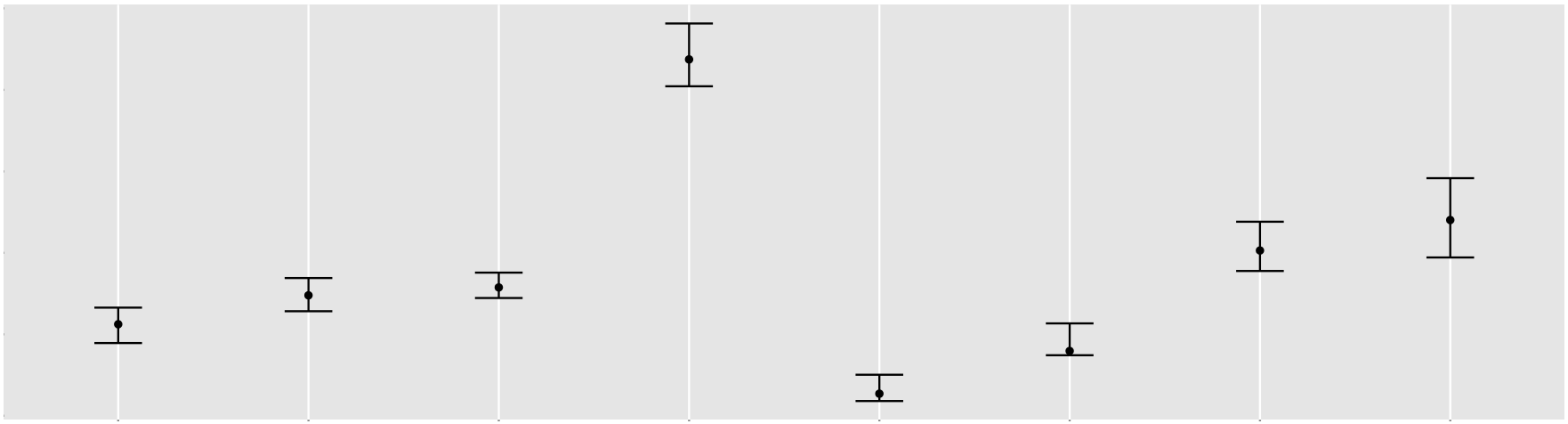
Validation of Model






Predicted Adult Population Size by Generation
P
F1
F2
0
2000
5000
2005
2006
2007
2008
2009
2010
2011
2012
2013
2014
2015
Bridgeton, NJ
0
4000
8000
Asheville, NC
Homestead, FL
0
10000

Degree-Day Accumulation



Final Population Size

Nielsen et al. In review

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

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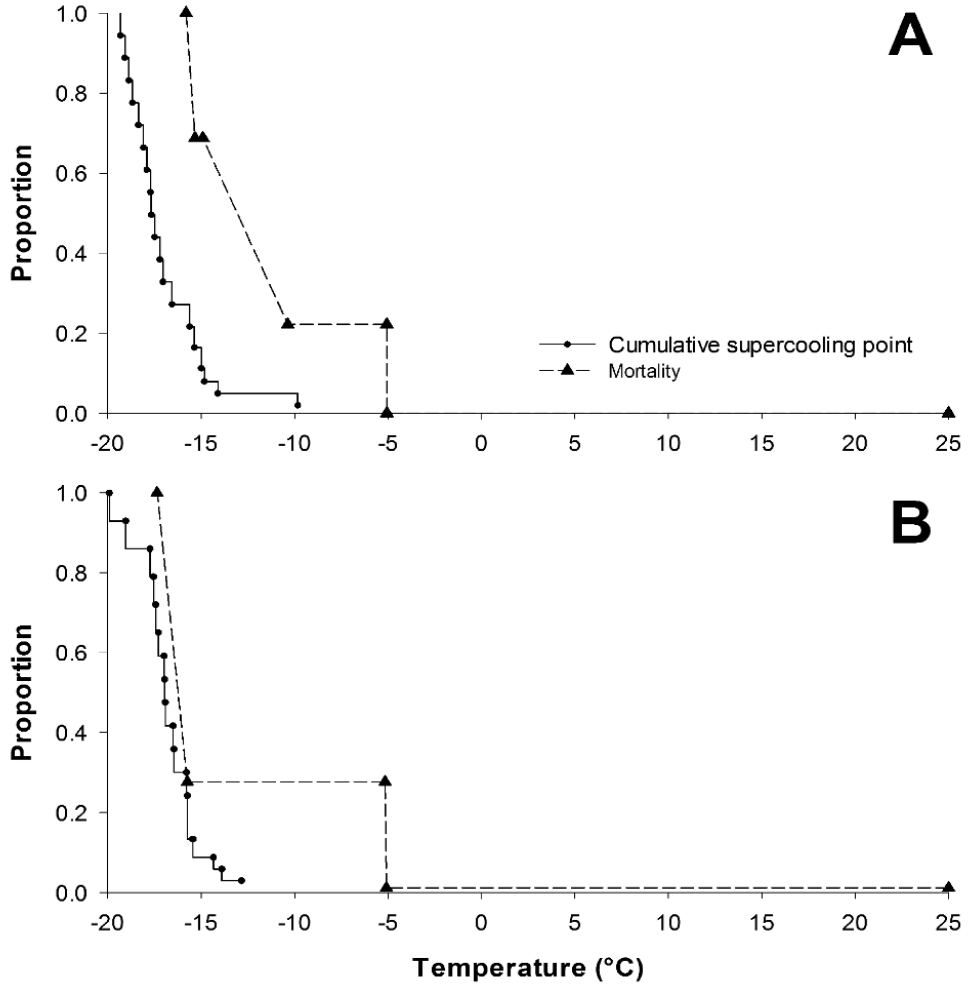
Relationship between freezing and mortality: BMSB dies at higher temperatures than it freezes



-15°C (5°F) is lethal to BMSB

Cira, T. M., et al. Environ. Entomol. (in press)

- 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

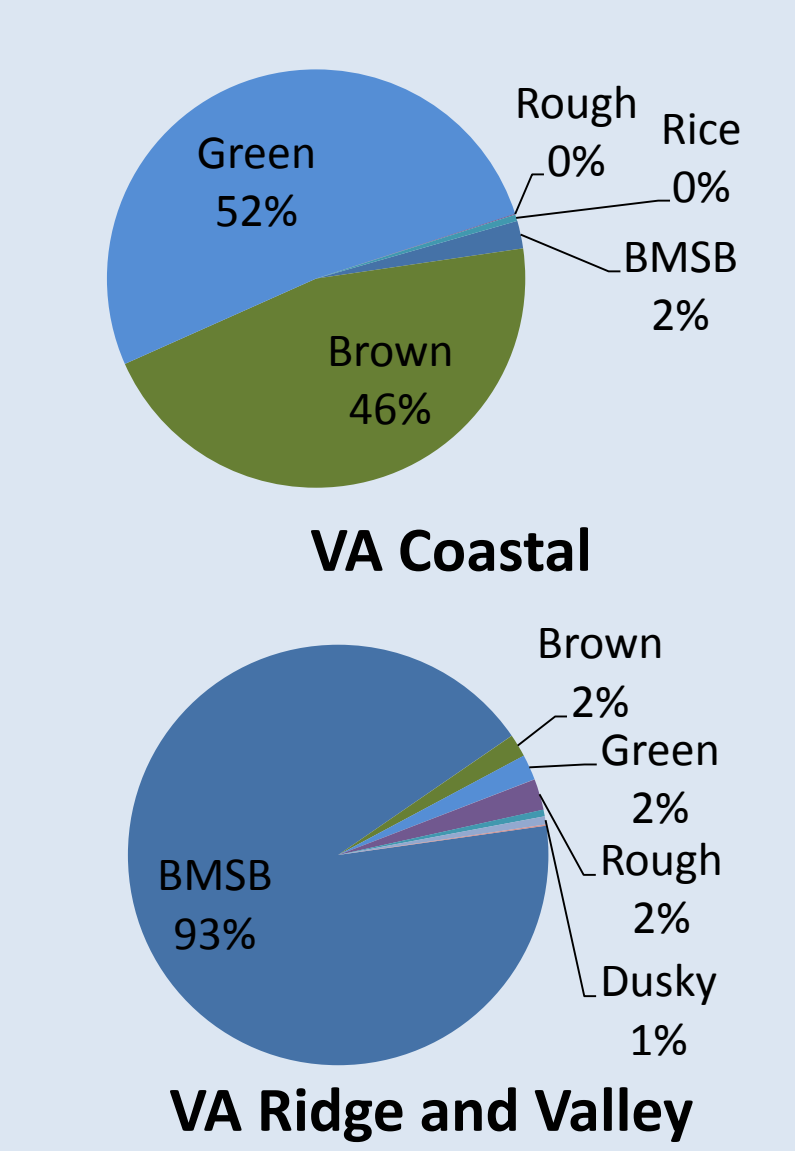
- Surveys of stink bug populations in NC and VA

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

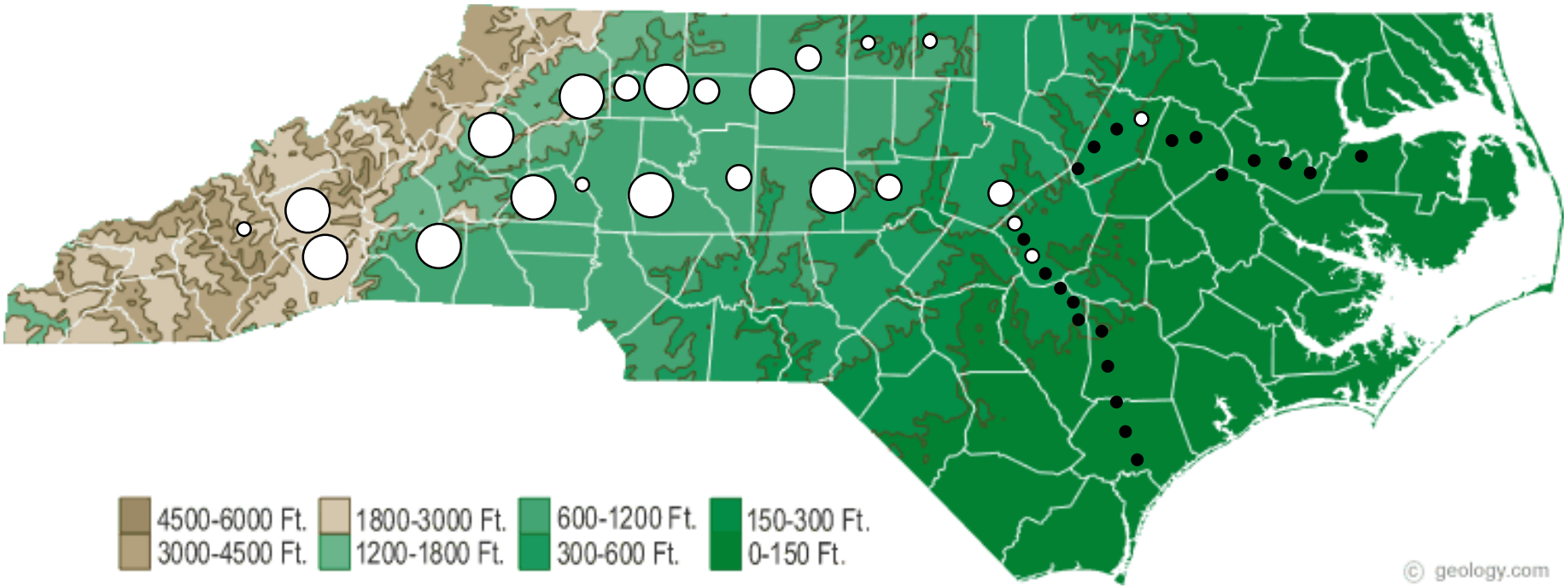
- Landscape features predicting populations in tomatoes

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



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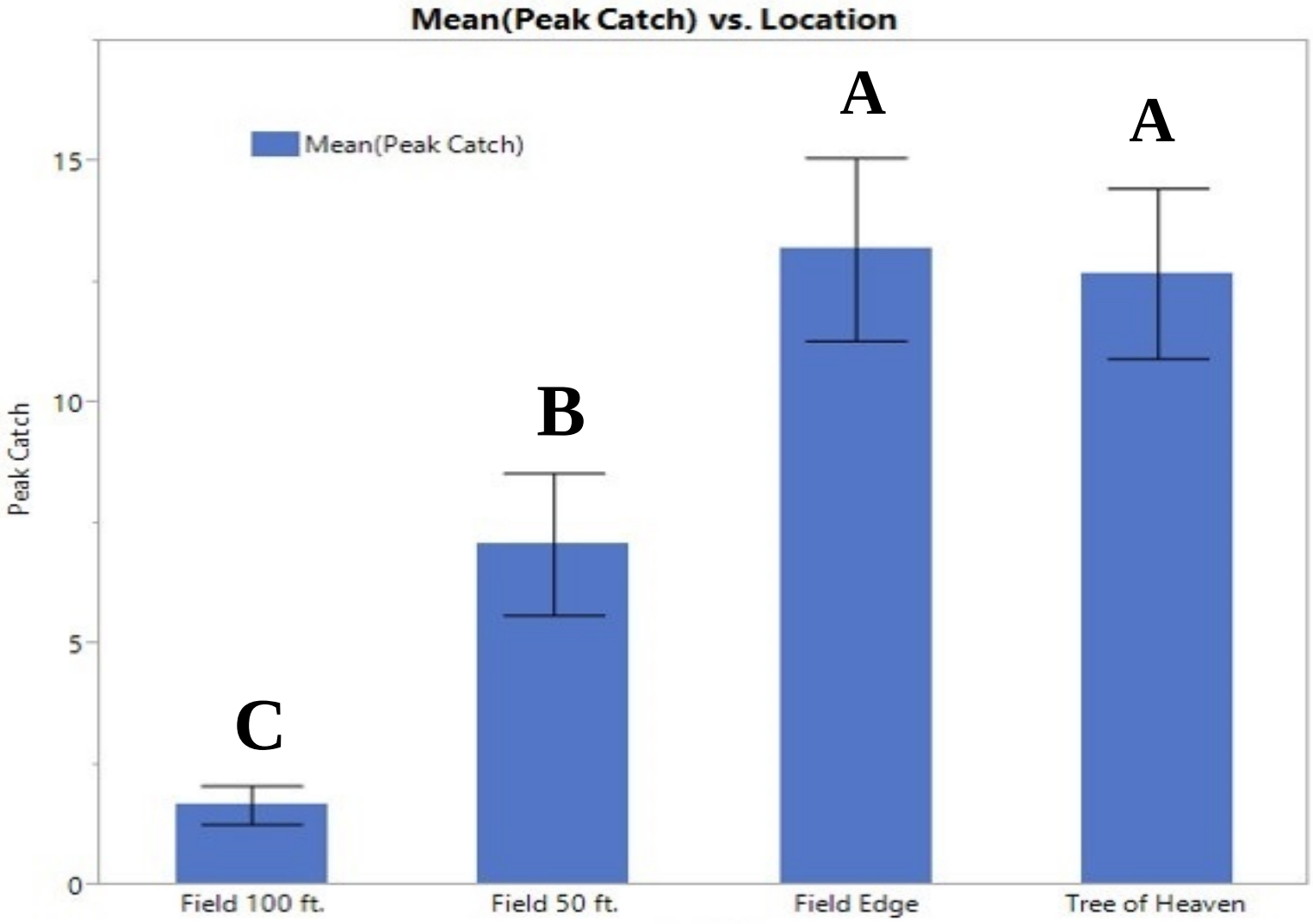
Tree of Heaven Surveys

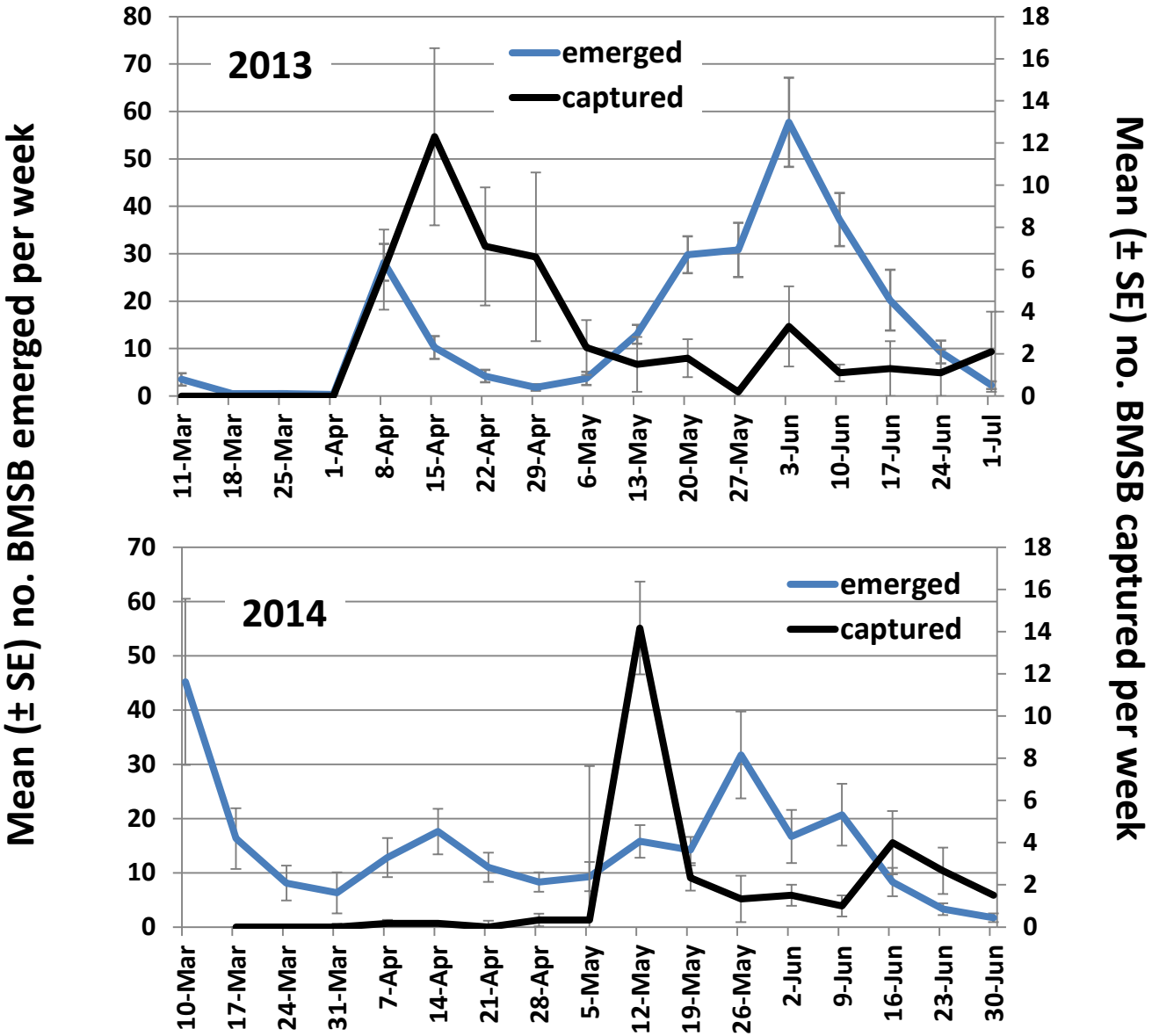

Mean(Peak Catch) vs. Location
Mean(Peak Catch)
Peak Catch
15
10
5
0
A
A
B
C
Field 100 ft.
Field 50 ft.
Field Edge
Tree of Heaven

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 (± SE) no. BMSB emerged per week
Mean (± SE) no. BMSB captured per week
2013
emerged
captured
80
70
60
50
40
30
20
10
0
18
16
14
12
10
8
6
4
2
0
11-Mar
18-Mar
25-Mar
1-Apr
8-Apr
15-Apr
22-Apr
29-Apr
6-May
13-May
20-May
27-May
3-Jun
10-Jun
17-Jun
24-Jun
1-Jul
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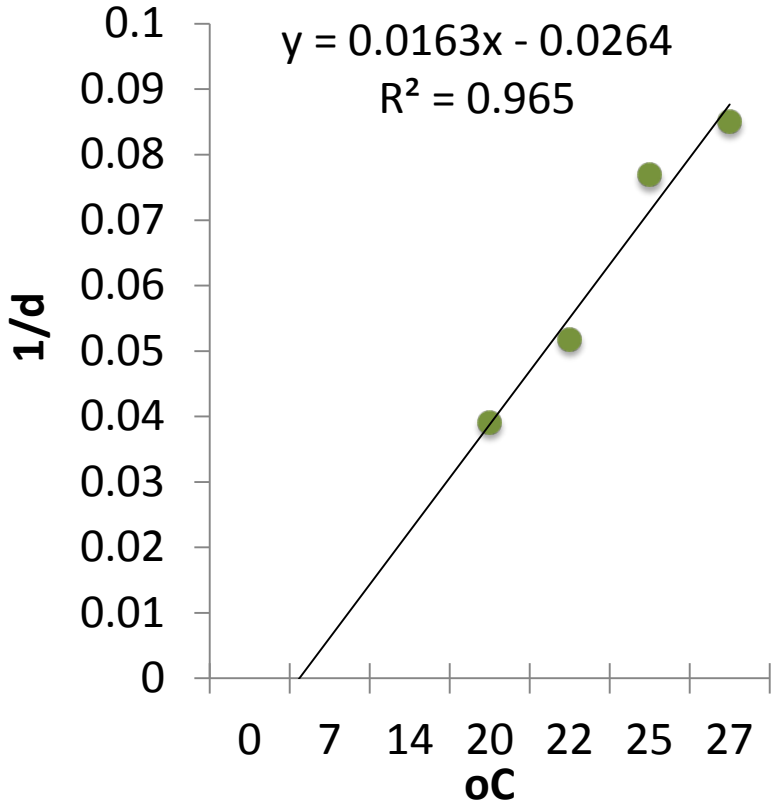
10-Mar
17-Mar
24-Mar
31-Mar
7-Apr
14-Apr
21-Apr
28-Apr
5-May
12-May
19-May
26-May
2-Jun
9-Jun
16-Jun
23-Jun
30-Jun

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