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Plants face a daunting array of creatures that eat them, bore

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into them, and otherwise use virtually every plant part for food, shelter, or both. But although plants cannot flee from their attackers, they are far from defenseless. In addition to adaptations like

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thorns, which may be produced in response to attack, plants actively alter their chemistry and physiology in response to damage. For instance, young potato plant leaves being eaten by potato beetles

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respond by producing chemicals that inhibit beetle digestive enzymes. Over the past fifteen years, research on these induced responses to herbivory has flourished, and here Richard Karban and Ian T.

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Baldwin present the first comprehensive evaluation and synthesis of this rapidly developing field. They provide state-of-the-discipline reviews and highlight areas where new research will be most

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productive. Their comprehensive overview will be welcomed by a wide variety of theoretical and applied researchers in ecology, evolutionary biology, plant biology, entomology, and

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This timely book provides an overview of the anatomical, chemical, and developmental features contributing to plant defense, with an emphasis on plant responses that are

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induced by wounding or herbivore attack. The book first introduces general concepts of direct and indirect defenses, followed by a focused review of the different resistance traits. Finally, signal perception and

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transduction mechanism for the activation of plant defense responses are discussed. Intraspecific communication involves the activation of chemoreceptors and subsequent activation of

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different central areas that coordinate the responses of the entire organism—ranging from behavioral modification to modulation of hormones release. Animals emit intraspecific chemical signals,

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often referred to as
pheromones, to advertise their
presence to members of the
same species and to regulate
interactions aimed at
establishing and regulating
social and reproductive bonds.

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In the last two decades, scientists have developed a greater understanding of the neural processing of these chemical signals. Neurobiology of Chemical Communication explores the role of the

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chemical senses in mediating intraspecific communication. Providing an up-to-date outline of the most recent advances in the field, it presents data from laboratory and wild species, ranging from invertebrates to

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vertebrates, from insects to humans. The book examines the structure, anatomy, electrophysiology, and molecular biology of pheromones. It discusses how chemical signals work on

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different mammalian and non-mammalian species and includes chapters on insects, *Drosophila*, honey bees, amphibians, mice, tigers, and cattle. It also explores the controversial topic of human

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pheromones. An essential reference for students and researchers in the field of pheromones, this is also an ideal resource for those working on behavioral phenotyping of animal models

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and persons interested in the biology/ecology of wild and domestic species.

The third edition of *Insect Ecology: An Ecosystem Approach* provides a modern perspective of insect ecology

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that integrates two approaches traditionally used to study insect ecology: evolutionary and ecosystem. This integration substantially broadens the scope of insect ecology and contributes to

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prediction and resolution of the effects of current environmental changes, as these affect and are affected by insects. The third edition includes an updated and expanded synthesis of

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feedback and interactions between insects and their environment. This updated material and a new chapter on applications of insect ecology to social and environmental issues effectively demonstrates

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how evolutionary and ecosystem approaches complement each other, with the intent of stimulating further integration of these approaches in experiments that address insect roles in

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ecosystems. Effective management of ecosystem resources depends on evaluation of the complex, often complementary, effects of insects on ecosystem conditions, as well as insect

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and theoretical applications for
topics covered in each chapter
Induced Plant Resistance to
Herbivory
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Ecology of Insects

Adaptive Mechanisms and
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Changing World

Thorough coverage of multitrophic-

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level plant-animal interactions.

Discusses a wide range of significant aspects, such as herbivore-plant interactions (with coverage of insects as well as mammals), carnivorous plant ecology and evolution, pollination

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and population dispersal agents, plant communities as habitats for animals, interactions in agroecosystems, and coevolution. This book discusses the evolution of the mechanisms by which prey avoid attack by their potential

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predators and questions how such defences are maintained through natural selection. Topics covered include camouflage, warning signals and mimicry.

*The 9th International Symposium
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(SIP-9) was once more, following the tradition established in 1958, a forum for investigators in both basic and applied entomology interested in the important and fascinating field of interactions between plants and insects. We were pleased and

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honoured to organise this symposium, which took place June 24--30, 1995 in Gwatt on the shores of the Lake of Thun in Switzerland. 168 participants from 26 countries from all over the world actively took part in the symposium

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by contributing 12 key-note lectures and a total of 141 oral presentations and posters. The favourable response and the lively interaction of the participants in all symposium activities is the clearest indication of the success of SIP-9.

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The organisers appreciated the enthusiasm and the willingness to collaborate shown by all participants. The following volume contains written contributions (72) of only half of all presentations. This is due to the fact that we

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decided to produce not only an account of the proceedings but also to publish all contributions as a special volume of the journal Entomologia Experimentalis et Applicata. This procedure was last adopted in 1978 for SIP-4,

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procedure as applicable for the manuscripts regularly submitted to Entomologia.

The Janeway's Immunobiology CD-ROM, Immunobiology Interactive, is included with each book, and can be purchased separately. It

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contains animations and videos with voiceover narration, as well as the figures from the text for presentation purposes.

*Nematodes as Model Organisms
Plant Secondary Compounds in
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*Change: From Defense to Carbon
Sequestration*

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From Theoretical Approaches to
Field Applications*

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*Warding off attack by pathogens,
herbivores and parasitic plants*

Insect-Plant Biology

Half of all insect species are
dependent on living plant tissues,
consuming about 10% of plant
annual production in natural

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habitats and an even greater percentage in agricultural systems, despite sophisticated control measures. Plants possess defences that are effective against almost all herbivorous insect species. Host-plant specialization, observed in

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over 80% of these animals, appears to be an effective adaptation to breach these defence systems. The mechanisms underlying plant defence to invading herbivores on the one side, and insect adaptations to utilize plants for nutrition,

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defence and shelter on the other, are the main subjects of this book. In the case of plants exposed to insect herbivores, they include the activation of defence systems in order to minimize damage, as well as the emission of chemical signals

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that may attract natural enemies of the invading herbivores and may be exploited by neighbouring plants that mount defences as well. For insects, they include complex behavioural adaptations and their underlying sensory systems (with

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their implications for learning and nutritional plasticity), as well as the endocrinological aspects of life cycle synchronization with host-plant phenology. Insect-Plant Biology discusses the operation of these mechanisms at the molecular and

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organismal levels and explicitly puts these in the context of both ecological interactions and evolutionary processes. In doing so, it uncovers the highly intricate antagonistic as well as mutualistic interactions that have evolved

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between plants and insects. The book concludes with a chapter on the application of our knowledge of insect-plant interactions to agricultural production. This multidisciplinary approach will appeal to students in biology,

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agricultural entomology, ecology,
and indeed anyone interested in the
principles underlying the
relationships between the two largest
groups of organisms on earth: plants
and insects.

This textbook provides the first

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overview of plant-animal interactions for twenty years focused on the needs of students and professors. It discusses a range of topics from the basic structures of plant-animal interactions to their evolutionary implications in

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producing and maintaining biodiversity. It also highlights innovative aspects of plant-animal interactions that can represent highly productive research avenues, making it a valuable resource for anyone interested in a future career

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in ecology. Written by leading experts, and employing a variety of didactic tools, the book is useful for students and teachers involved in advanced undergraduate and graduate courses addressing areas such as herbivory, trophic

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relationships, plant defense,
pollination and biodiversity.

This established, popular textbook
provides a stimulating
and comprehensive introduction to
the insects, the animals that represent
over half of the planet's biological

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diversity. In this new fourth edition, the authors introduce the key features of insect structure, function, behavior, ecology and classification, placed within the latest ideas on insect evolution. Much of the book is organised around major

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biological themes - living on the ground, in water, on plants, in colonies, and as predators, parasites/parasitoids and prey. A strong evolutionary theme is maintained throughout. The ever-growing economic importance

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of insects is emphasized in new boxes on insect pests, and in chapters on medical and veterinary entomology, and pest management.

Updated 'taxoboxes' provide concise information on all aspects of each of the 27 major groupings (orders) of

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insects. Key Features: All chapters thoroughly updated with the latest results from international studies
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issues and studies Major revision of
systematic and taxonomy chapter
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each chapter, selected by the author. Combining breadth of coverage with detail, this logical and cohesive introduction to insect ecology couples concepts with a broad range of examples and practical applications. It explores cutting-edge

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topics in the field, drawing on and highlighting the links between theory and the latest empirical studies. The sections are structured around a series of key topics, including behavioral ecology; species interactions; population ecology;

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food webs, communities and ecosystems; and broad patterns in nature. Chapters progress logically from the small scale to the large; from individual species through to species interactions, populations and communities. Application sections at

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the end of each chapter outline the practicality of ecological concepts and show how ecological information and concepts can be useful in agriculture, horticulture and forestry. Each chapter ends with a summary, providing a brief recap,

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followed by a set of questions and discussion topics designed to encourage independent and creative thinking.

Ecophysiology of Coniferous Forests
21st Century Homestead: Biological
Pest Control

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How Enemies Shape
Communication Systems: Sensory
Strategies of Prey to Avoid
Eavesdropping Predators and
Parasites
Design, Operation, and Control of

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Insect-Rearing Systems

Plant-Animal Interactions

*Edible insects have always
been a part of human
diets, but in some
societies there remains a
degree of disdain and*

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*disgust for their
consumption. Insects offer
a significant opportunity
to merge traditional
knowledge and modern
science to improve human
food security worldwide.*

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This publication describes the contribution of insects to food security and examines future prospects for raising insects at a commercial scale to improve food and

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*feed production, diversify
diets, and support
livelihoods in both
developing and developed
countries. Edible insects
are a promising
alternative to the*

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conventional production of meat, either for direct human consumption or for indirect use as feedstock. This publication will boost awareness of the many valuable roles that

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insects play in sustaining nature and human life, and it will stimulate debate on the expansion of the use of insects as food and feed.

Mechanisms and Deployment

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Insects is a worldwide
synthesis of tree
resistance to insects. The
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forested regions of the world. The book constitutes a comprehensive treatment of the state of our knowledge on patterns of resistance by insect guilds and how

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*this knowledge can be
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*Plants are sources of
nourishment for thousands
of fungi, bacteria,
invertebrates,*

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vertebrates, and other plants. Plants possess a truly remarkable diversity of mechanisms to fend off attackers and recent research has shown just how complex and

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*sophisticated these
defense mechanisms can be.
Plant Defense provides
comprehensive coverage of
the range of different
organisms that plants need
to fend off, describes how*

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plants coordinate their defenses against multiple attacks, explains the evolution of defense in plants, and how plant defences are exploited in crop protection

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Source of Biodiversity*

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Diseases and Pests, Volume
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Microbiology series, provides an overview of major disease agents of trees, including viruses, phytoplasma, bacteria, fungi, nematodes and major insect pests. With a strong emphasis on genetics,

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evolutionary biology and
population dynamics of the
organisms involved, this
book provides a
comprehensive understanding
on the health of forests.
Sections cover important*

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*as information on habitats.
Forest trees play crucial
roles not only for
mitigating effects of the
climate change but also for
their considerable economic
and ecological value. Forest
trees are equally vital as*

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an alternative bioenergy source and play important roles in pollution abatement and the maintenance of biodiversity. Timber and its associated products from forest trees contribute substantially to the revenue

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semiochemicals byinsects.
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responses in both plants and insects. The ecology section includes chapters that describe plant-insect interactions at a higher level, including multitrophic interactions, investigations

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of the cost-benefit paradigm and the altitudinal niche-breadth hypothesis, and a re-evaluation of co-evolution in the light of recent molecular research. Written by many of the world's leading researchers in these

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*Chemical Ecology in Aquatic
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This work is the first book-length publication on the topic of insect immunology since 1991, complementing earlier works by

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occurring from massive applications
of pesticides, such as insect
resistance to pesticides, the use of

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biotechnological tools to minimize losses from insect pests has become inevitable. Presenting alternative strategies for alleviating biotic stresses, Biotechnological Approaches for Pest Management and Ecological Sustain

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Nematodes are small multicellular organisms that have been used as biological models since the 1960s. For example, *Caenorhabditis elegans* is a free-living nematode worm, about 1mm in length, that lives in temperate soil

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environments. It is made up of about 1000 cells, and has a short life cycle of only two weeks. It was the first multicellular organism to have its whole genome sequenced. The book summarizes the importance of nematodes as model

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organisms in the fields of genetics, developmental biology, neurobiology, pharmacology, nutrition, ecology and parasitology. Of interest to a broad audience across a wide spectrum of disciplines, this book is useful for

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biologists working on comparative studies to investigate biological processes across organisms; medical scientists and pharmacologists for exploration of drugs and medicine (including the use of genome editing to eliminate

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diseases); ecologists considering nematodes as indicators for environment changes; and parasitologists for host-parasite interactions. Many other researchers can use this book as a benchmark for the broad

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implications of nematology
research on other aspects of
science.

This Reference Work is devoted to
plant secondary metabolites and
their evolutionary adaptation to
different hosts and pests.

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Secondary metabolites play an important biological role in plants' defence against herbivores, abiotic stresses and pathogens, and they also attract beneficial organisms such as pollinators. In this work, readers will find a comprehensive

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review of the phytochemical diversity, modification and adaptation of secondary metabolites, and the consequences of their co-evolution with plant parasites, pollinators, and herbivores. Chapters from expert

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contributors are organised into twelve sections that collate the current knowledge in intra-/inter-specific diversity in plant secondary metabolites, changes in secondary metabolites during plants' adaptation to different

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environmental conditions, and co-evolution of host-parasite metabolites. Among the twelve themed parts, readers will also discover expert analysis on the genetics and chemical ecology evolution of secondary metabolites,

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model organisms for understanding how multiple selective forces shape the ecology and evolution of insects, and organisms in general. Recent research using the tools of modern

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molecular biology,
genetics, metabolomics,
microbial ecology,
experiments conducted at a
global level, network
analysis, and statistical
analyses of global data

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sets, combined with basic natural history, are yielding exciting new insights into caterpillar adaptations and ecology. The best way to view these research advances is

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within a framework of tri-trophic interactions. This is a timely topic for research given the central role of caterpillars and plants in the ecology and trophic structure of

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terrestrial communities.
This book is unique in
that it contains chapters
from a team of experts on
a diversity of key topics
within caterpillar-plant
interactions. This volume

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brings together
contributions by
researchers from around
the globe, working in both
tropical and temperate
habitats, and in human-
managed and more natural

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habitats. It is a significant contribution to our understanding of insect biology, and the role that insects, as represented by caterpillars, play in a

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world increasingly
dominated by humans and
one in which threats to
insect biodiversity are
mounting. Chapter 11 is
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The papers in this book
are organized as follows:
insect-plant communities,

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host-plant selection,
genetics and evolution,
host-plant resistance and
application of transgenic
plants, and multitrophic
interactions. Besides
seven invited papers and a

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paper with concluding remarks, this volume also contains the short communications of all 115 oral presentations and posters. Included too, are the summaries of four

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European Science

Foundation workshops held over the past two years, where European scientists discussed the state-of-the-art and the future of major topics in insect-

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plant interactions in order to develop better integrated research programs. The field of insect-plant interactions nowadays includes almost all of biology, as well as

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parts of chemistry and physics. It takes a central position in biology because insects are the most abundant animal group, half of them are herbivores and they

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dominate all terrestrial ecosystems. Knowledge of insect-plant interactions is thus fundamental to an understanding of the evolution of life on Earth. Two major topics of

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worldwide concern give
this field an extra
dimension. First, large
amounts of food crops are
still lost due to insect
pests. With the increasing
concern for environmental

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pollution and the
subsequent plans to
drastically reduce
pesticides, integrated
pest management and
development of resistant
crops become a major focus

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in agriculture. The importance of the study of insect-plant relationships is thus continuously augmented. Clearly, successful pest control demands sufficient

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fundamental knowledge of pest-host interactions. Second, such work can contribute towards stopping or even counterbalancing the threatening biodiversity

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crisis thanks to an understanding of how the interaction of insects and plants has influenced and still influences the diversification and speciation (evolution) of

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both groups. These problems should, of course, be approached at a multitrophic level.

Design, Operation, and Control of Insect-Rearing Systems: Science,

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Technology, and
Infrastructure explains
the fundamental components
of insect rearing: 1) the
rearing systems, per se 2)
personnel 3) education of
rearing personnel 4)

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communication of
procedures 5) an in-depth
look at silkworm rearing
5) facilities where
rearing is conducted, and
6) funding for all these
components. Insect rearing

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serves a wide array of purposes, including research, pest control by sterile insect technique and biological control, production of insects as food for other animals,

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conservation, education,
and even far-reaching
technology where insects
are used to produce
products such as
pharmaceutical materials
and strong, multipurpose

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textiles. This book surveys and analyzes insect rearing from a scientific and technology-based approach. At its foundation, this approach assumes that rearing

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systems are complex interactions of components that can be understood and controlled by using a mechanistic approach.

Author Allen Carson Cohen explains the

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infrastructure of rearing systems, their current status and character, and what kind of changes can be made to improve the field of insect rearing. Two Appendices republish

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out-of-print monographs that provide fascinating historical context to the development of the insect-rearing systems we have today.

In this volume the

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relevance of fungi for agriculture is discussed in four sections. The first one 'Food and Fodder Production' concerns the application and potential of mushrooms, straw

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enrichment, and food or crop spoilage. The next section 'Mycotoxins and Detoxification' deals with the biosynthesis of mycotoxins and the use of fungi in organopollutant

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degradation. A large section entitled 'Disease Control, Diagnostic, and Management' covers various aspects of biological control (fungi, insects, and weeds), diagnostics

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with emphasis on the example of Magnaporthe grisea, and disease management with focus on the important fungal pathogens Phoma, Fusarium, rusts and powdery mildew.

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The last section 'Update on Host-Parasite Interactions' discusses signal transduction, avirulence determinants, phytotoxins, cell wall degradation, and the

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coevolution of pathogenic
fungi and grass hosts.

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Conifers--pine, fir, and spruce trees--are dominant species in forests around the world. This book focuses on the physiology of conifers and how these physiological systems operate. Special consideration is devoted

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to the means by which ecophysiological processes influence organismal function and distribution. Chapters focus on the genetics of conifers, their geographic distribution and the factors that influence this

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distribution, the impact of insect herbivory on ecophysiological parameters, the effects of air pollution, and the potential impact that global climatic changes will have upon conifers. Because of the growing

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realization that forests have a crucial role to play in global environmental health, this book will appeal to a developing union of ecologists, physiologists and more theoretically minded foresters.

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In this book, 'state of art' situation in patterns of behaviour is presented by the authors, each with expertise in respective fields on diverse aspects such as pollination, predation and parasitism, forest and agricultural

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pests, besides the dynamics of aquatic insects in general and dragonflies in particular, in addition to insect vectors of diseases. The need for an appreciation of the differentiation processes controlling growth and

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development of plant galls has been adequately emphasised, these galls representing highly regulated growth manifestations of plants, ensuring nutrition and shelter for the insects concerned. Behavioural shifts of insects due

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to current climatic changes and their implications in insect conservation and control are also highlighted. This book will be relevant to the undergraduate and particularly graduate students taking courses in insect

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ecology and evolution,
conservation biology and
environmental management as
well as to committed researchers
in these fields in addition to
conservation practitioners eager
to have a comprehensive

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background of the multifaceted aspects of insect behavioural dynamics.

Written by a team of leading international specialists, Behavioral Ecology of Insect Parasitoids examines the optimal

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behaviors that parasitoids exhibit in order to maximize long term offspring production. It is an essential reference for research scientists and students studying these fascinating insects or for anyone involved in using

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parasitoids in biological control programs. Reviews topical issues, including cutting edge research on parasitoid decision making and the implications for biological control Explores applications in other fields,

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provides information on the latest research methods, and includes helpful case studies and statistical tools Creates a deeper understanding of the link between behavioural strategies and host mortality, resulting in

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more efficient selective pest management programs “Overall, this is a fascinating volume that provides a significant contribution to the literature on parasitoid insects. It goes a long way toward providing insights

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into numerous aspects of parasitoid behavior and will stimulate a diversity of future projects, something that should be the goal of any such text. I highly recommend Wajnberg et al. for all of those working on the

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biology or evolution of parasitoids.” Palaios 2009
Insects, pests and weeds are responsible for substantial loss of crops and reduced food supplies, poorer quality of agricultural products, economic

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hardship for growers and processor. Generally, chemical control methods are neither always economical nor are they effective and may have associated unwanted health, safety and environmental risks.

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Biological control involves use of beneficial biological agents to control pests and offers an environmental friendly approach to the effective management of plant diseases and weeds. The chapters are written by well

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recognized group leaders in the field. This book provides a comprehensive account of interaction of host and pests, and development of biological control agents for practical applications in crops management utilizing

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inherent defence mechanism, induced stimulation and biological control agents. The contents are divided into the following sections: General biology of plant defence, Use of natural compounds for biological

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control, Use of biological agents,
Mechanism of action and
Commercial aspects. The book
will be useful for academicians,
researcher and industries
involved in study and
manufacturing these products.

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Co-Evolution of Secondary
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Mimicry

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Avoiding Attack

Tree Diseases and Pests

This work takes a fresh,
modern approach to
investigate and explain
the predator and prey
relationships of insects

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and spiders, the major terrestrial fauna on earth. Devoted to broad and in-depth analysis of arthropod defenses against predators, the book's approach is both

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experimentally and
theoretically based with
major emphasis on
evolution, predator
strategies and tactics,
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adaptations and

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behaviors. The authors explain such topics as cryptic and aposematic coloration, the conflict between sexual and survival needs, web spider prey choice and

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evolution of prey
counter defenses,
predator-prey
interactions and the
origins of intelligence,
bird predatory tactics,
and caterpillar defense

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strategies. Also
examined is the use of
timing for fitness and
survival, evolutionary
gamesmanship in the
predatory bat-moth
relationship, colony

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startle as a defense by
moths, aggregation as a
defense, chemicals as
defenses, plant
chemicals as defenses,
and venoms as defenses.

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The authors illustrate each topic with numerous specific well-documented examples presented in a clear, readable style. In recent years it has become increasingly

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clear that chemical interactions play a fundamental role in aquatic habitats and have far-reaching evolutionary and ecological consequences.

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A plethora of studies have shown that aquatic organisms from most taxa and functional groups respond to minute concentrations of chemical substances

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released by other organisms. However, our knowledge of this "chemical network" is still negligible. Chemical interactions can be divided into two

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larger sub-areas based
on the function of the
chemical substance.

First, there are
interactions where
chemical substances are
toxic to other organisms

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and are used as a
defence against
consumers (including
both herbivores and
predators) or a weapon
against competitors
(allelopathy). Second,

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chemical substances may be used as a source for information of the environment; for example: how can I find the optimal habitat, the best food, the nicest

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partner, and avoid being eaten? Aquatic organisms are able to detect and respond to extremely low concentrations of chemical cues to answer all these questions. The

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book aims at connecting
these intriguing
chemical interactions
with traditional
knowledge of organism
interactions. Chemical
Ecology of Aquatic

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Systems covers a wide range of studies, both plant and animal, from different geographic regions and habitats - pelagic as well as benthic. Most of the

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chemical interactions are similar in freshwater and marine habitats and this book therefore strives at integrating work on both systems.

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