

Automating biological monitoring on the Northern Andes of South America: combining biology and machine learning for conservation

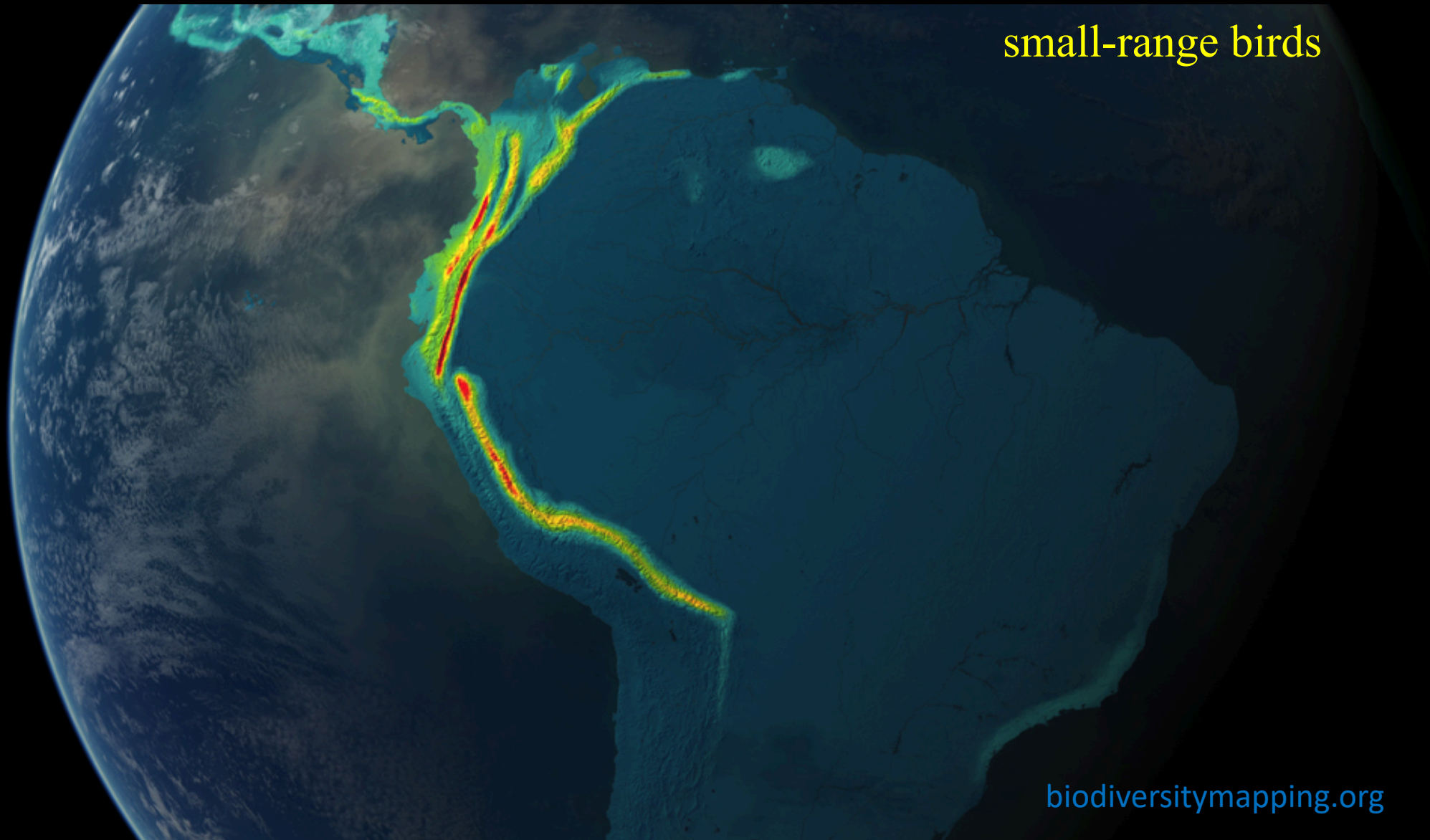
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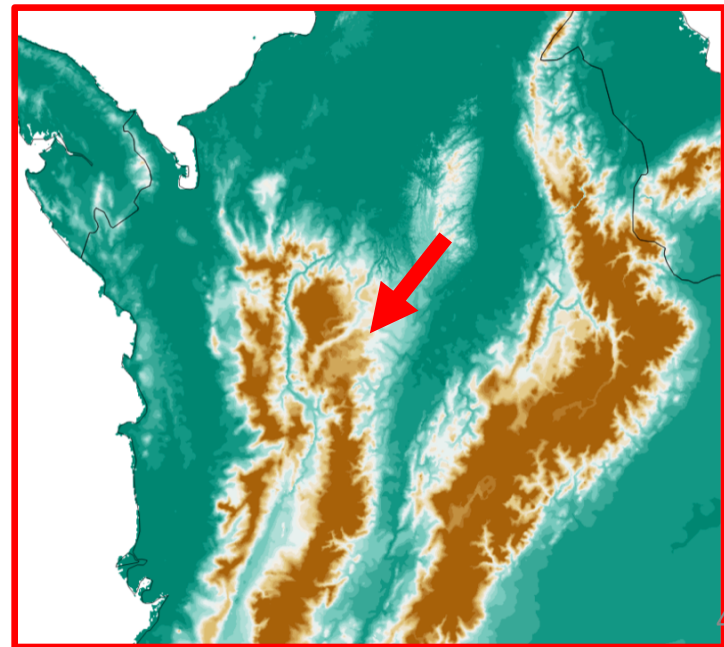
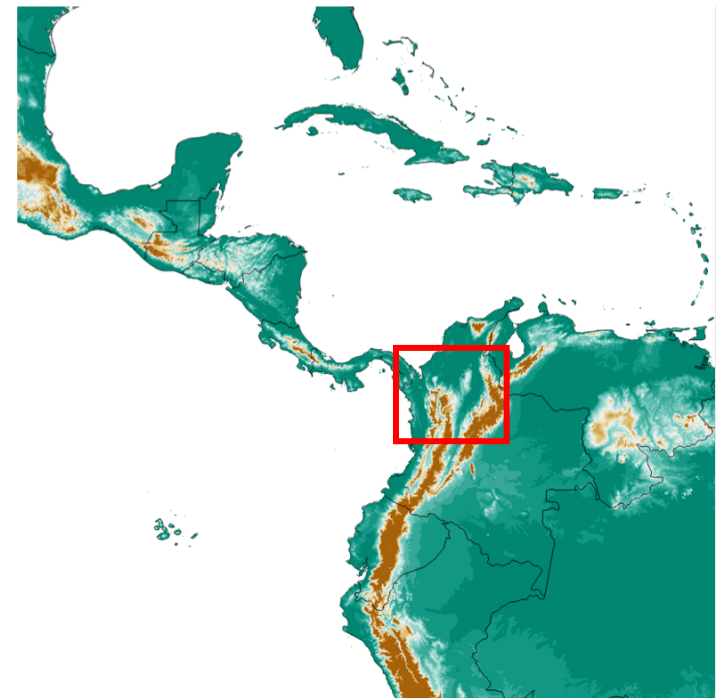
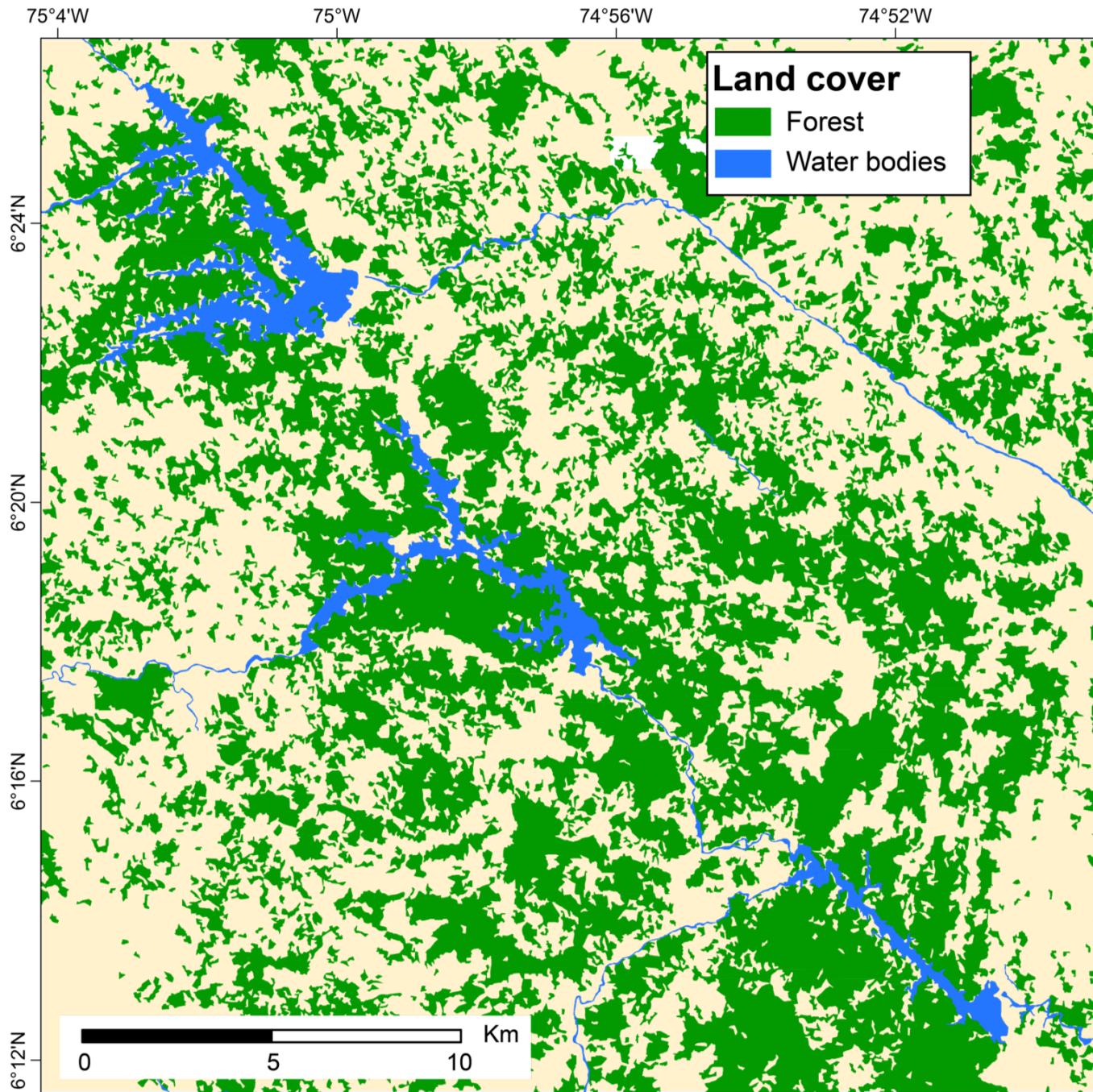


Species diversity

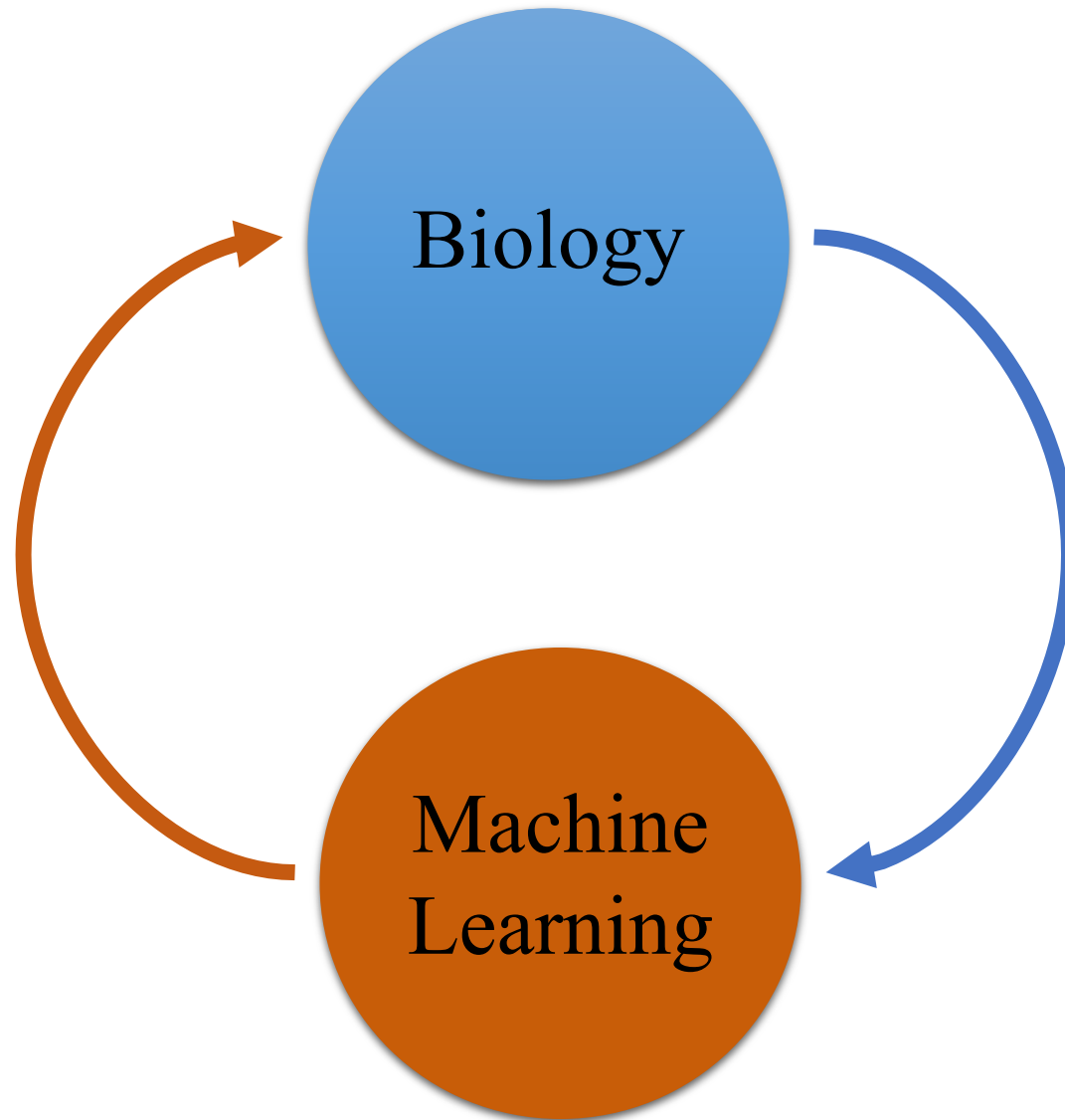


small-range birds

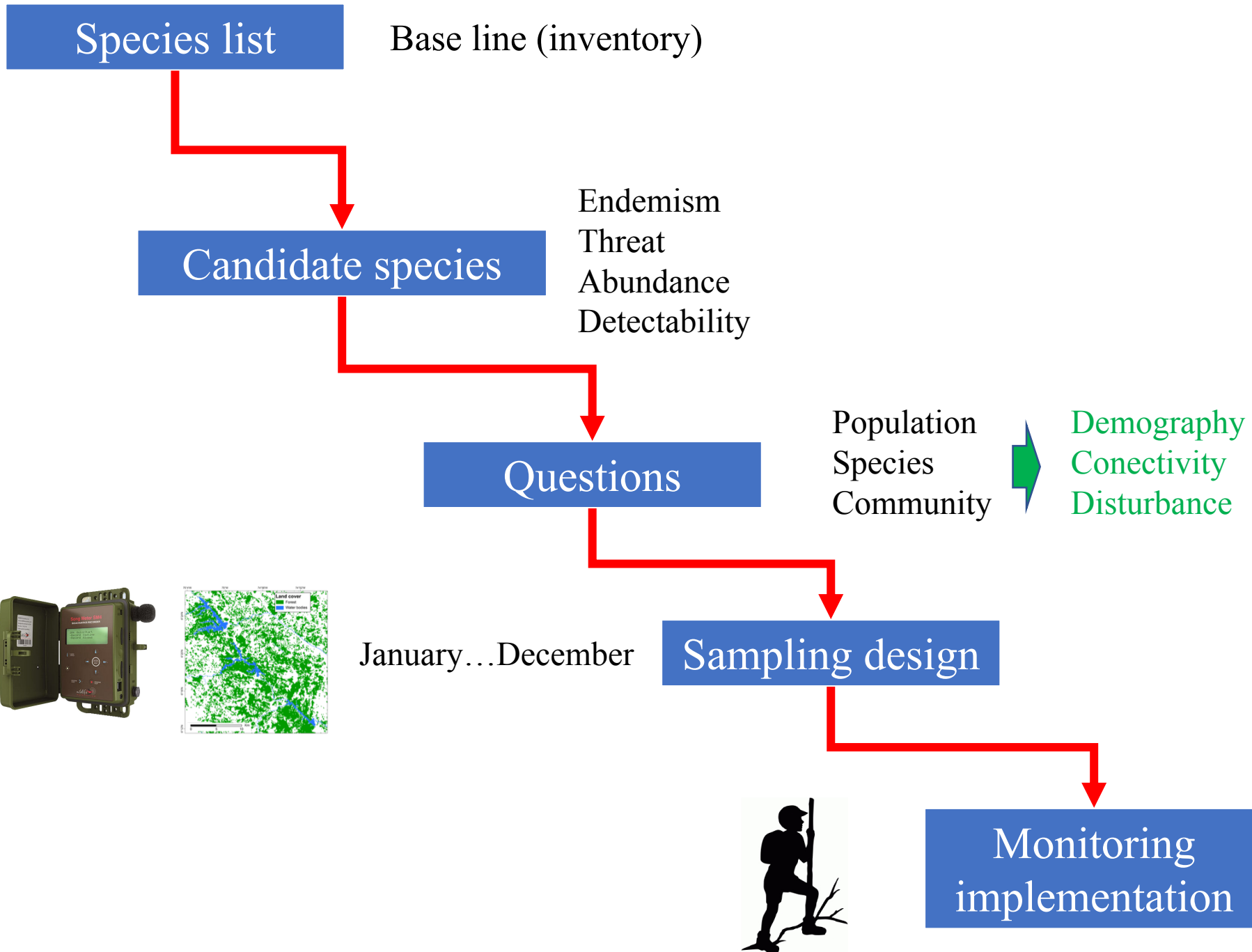
Given the rapid habitat and species loss on the Northern Andes, how can we improve our ways to get meaningful information for conservation decisions?



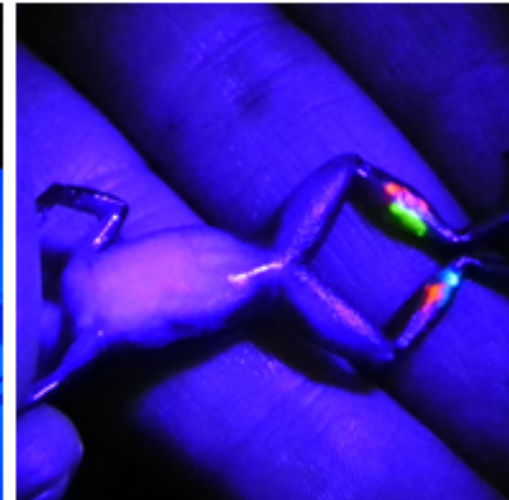
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Research in Biology



Population monitoring



Research in machine learning



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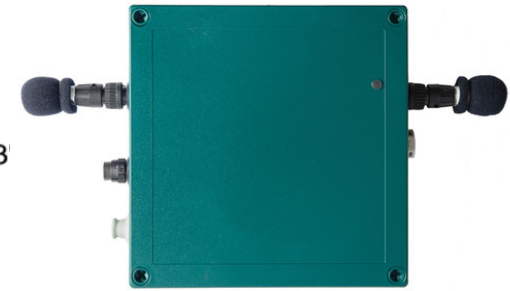
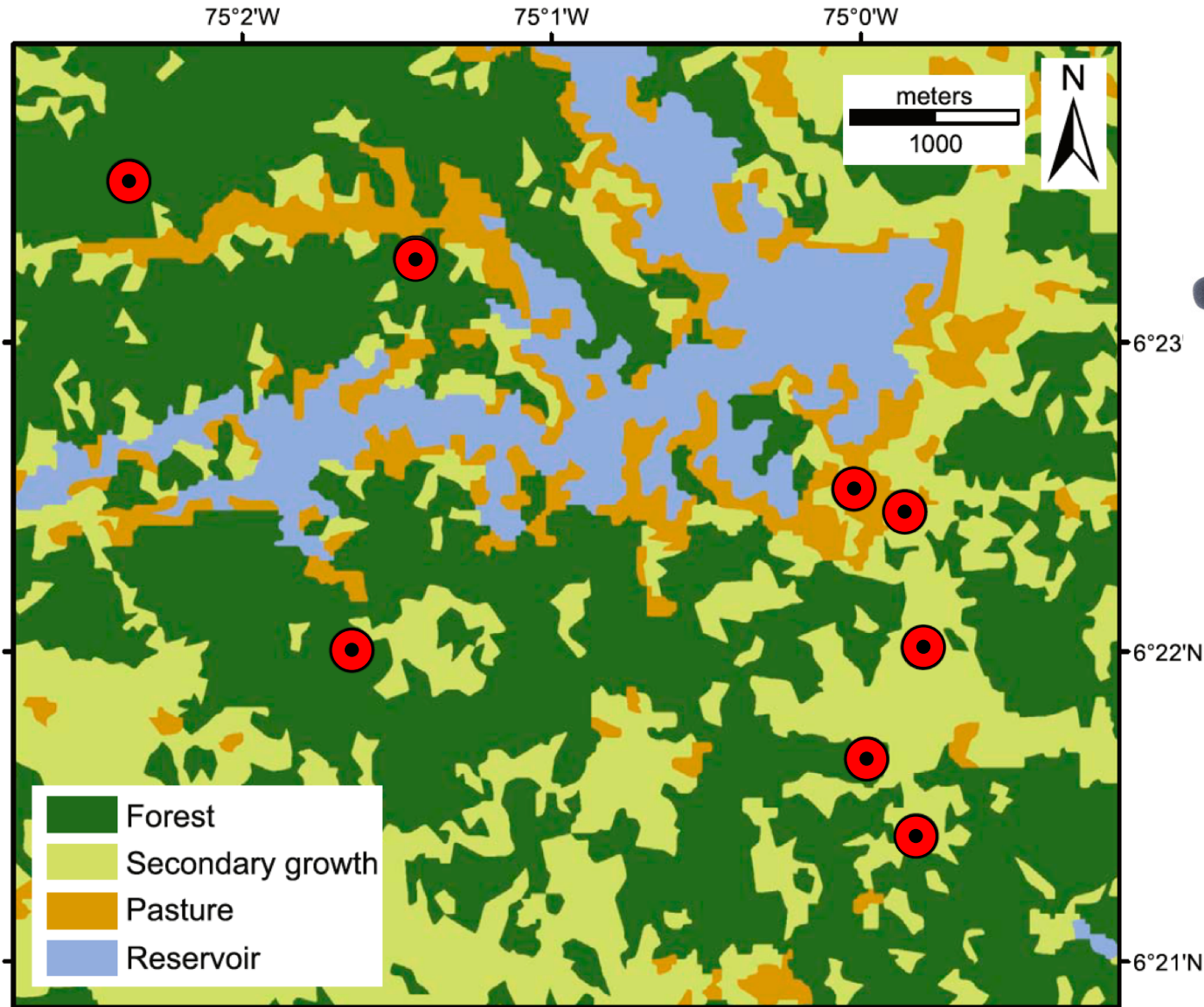
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We started a passive bioacoustic monitoring



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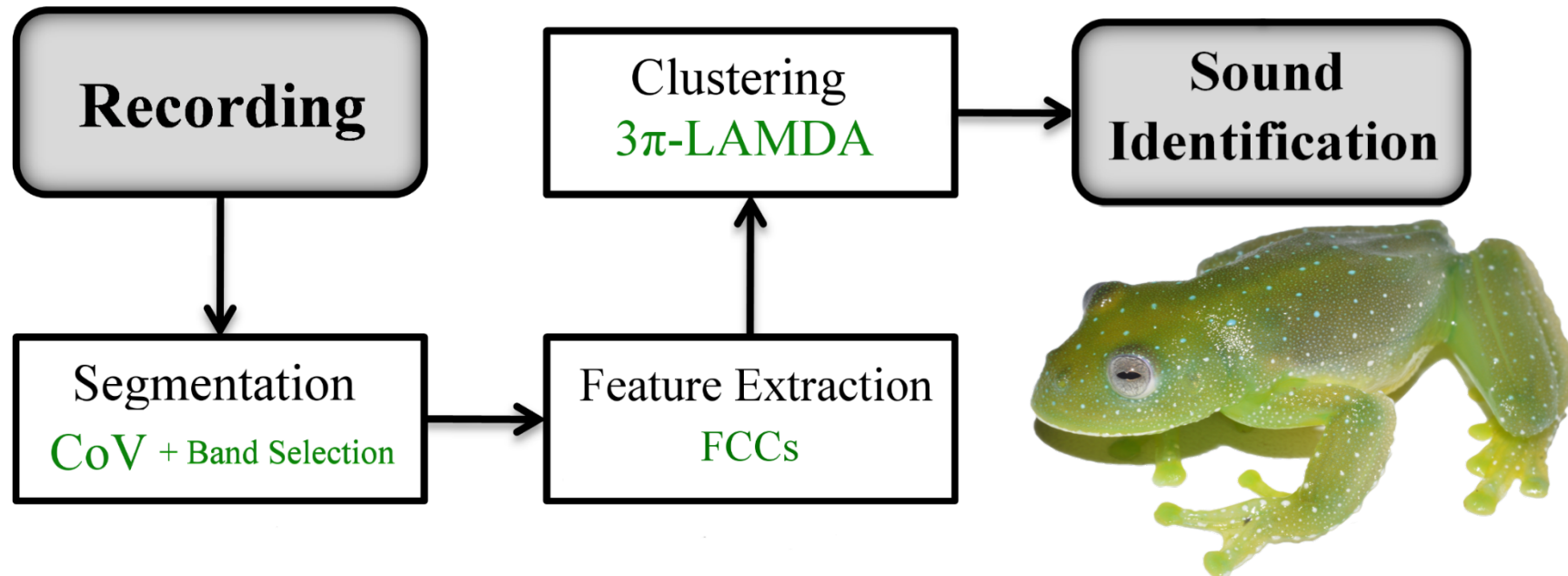
Automatic recognition of anuran species based on syllable identification



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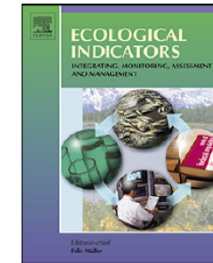




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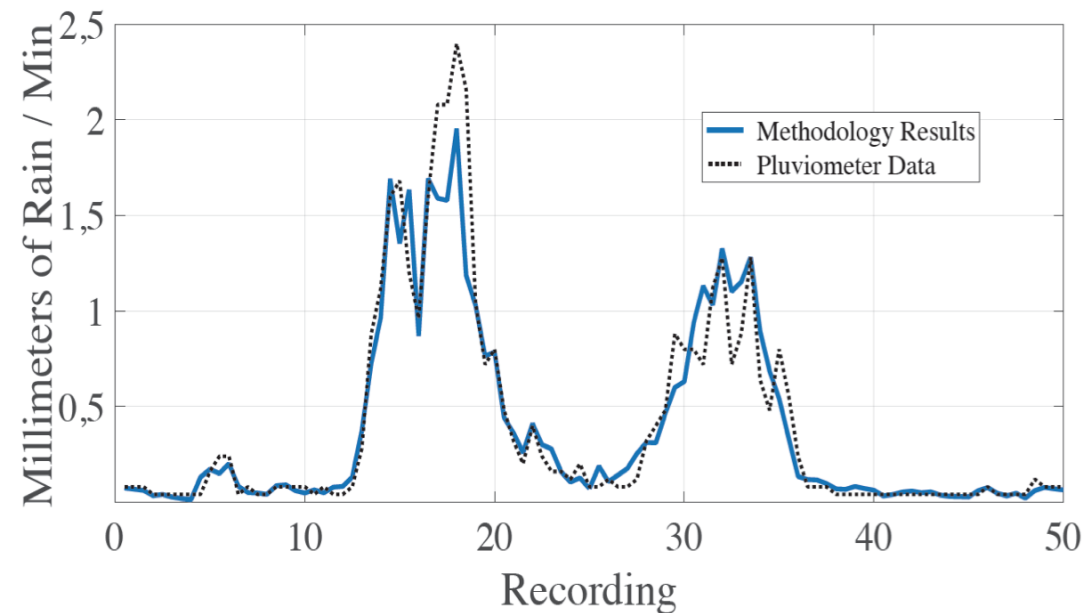
Automatic identification of rainfall in acoustic recordings



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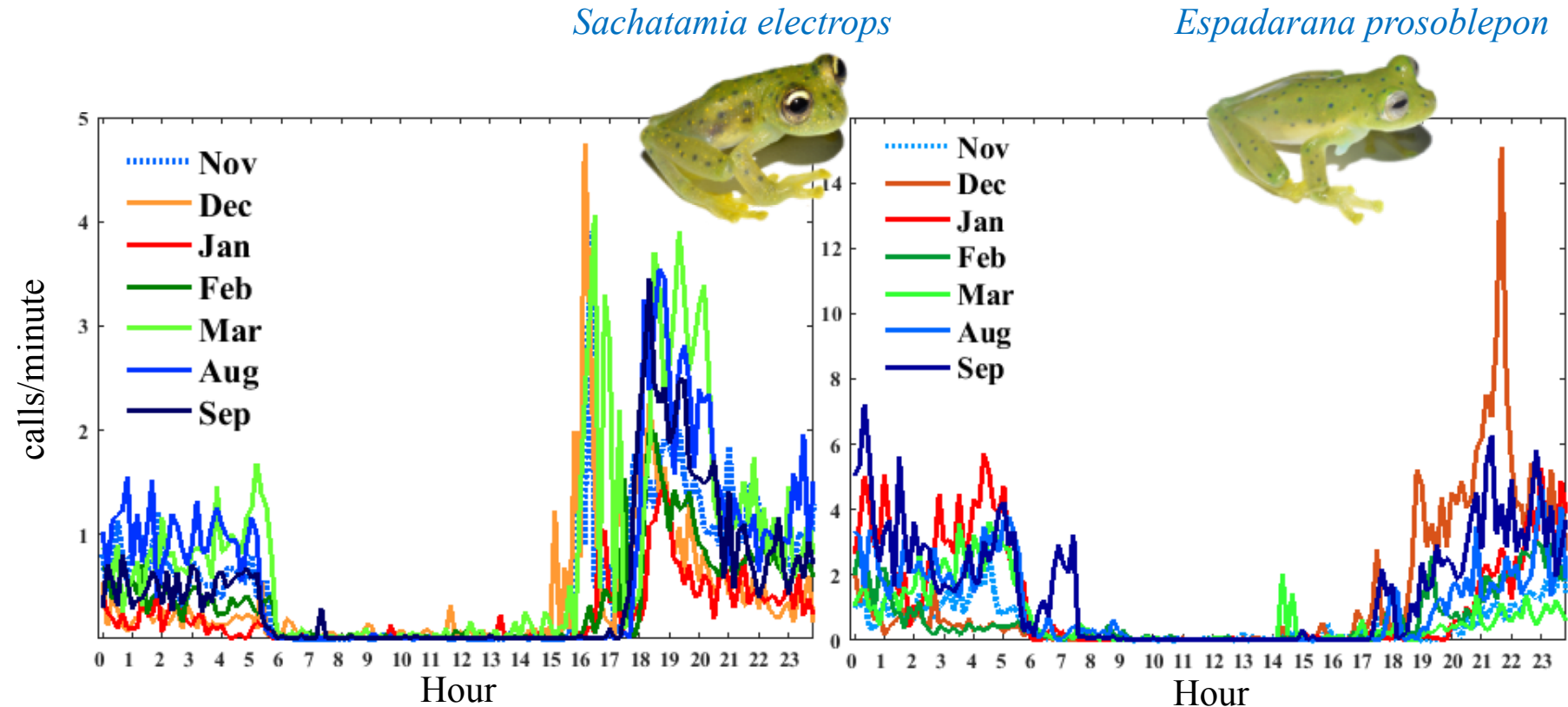
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Activity patterns in time and space



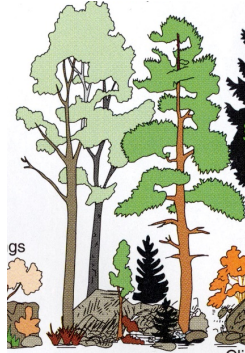
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Predicting occupancy in anuran assemblages

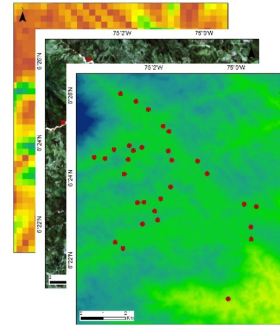
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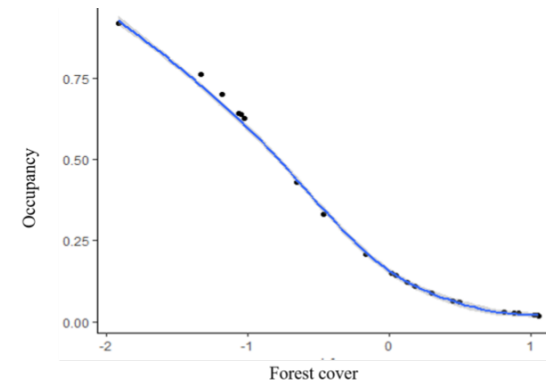
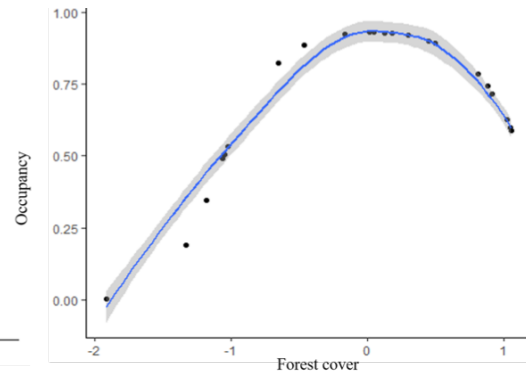
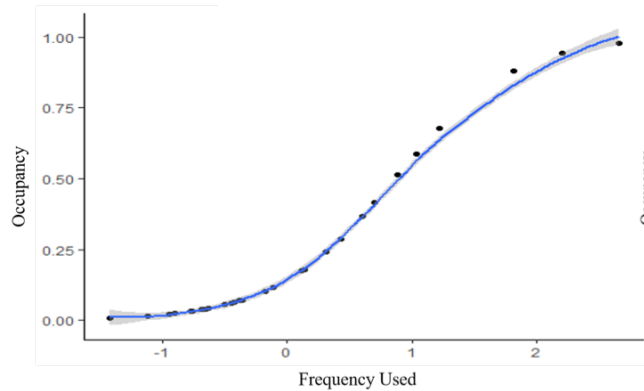
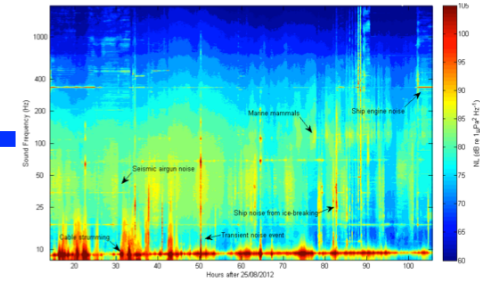
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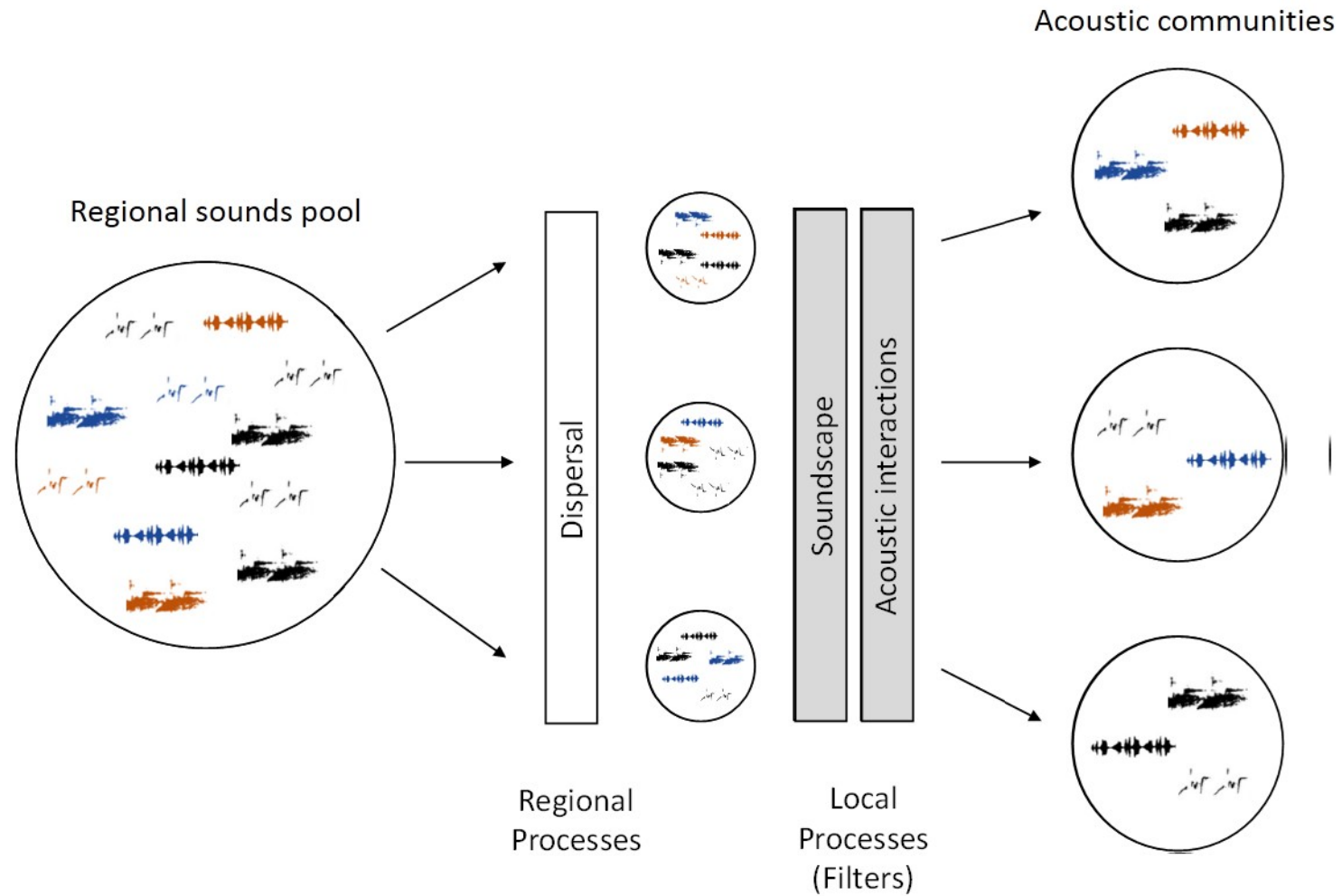
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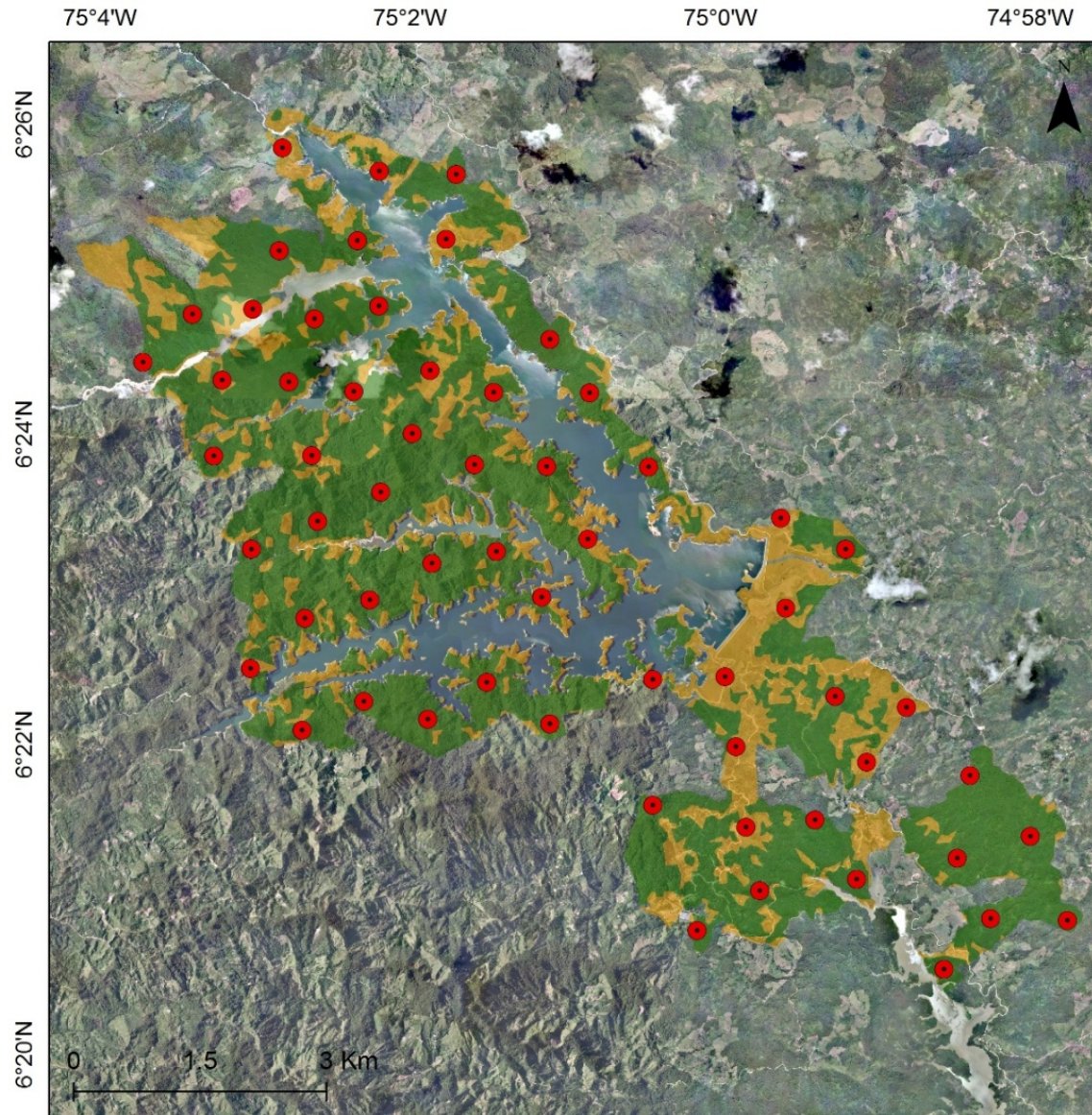
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From community to metacommunity



Expanding the sampling strategy



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Identifying disturbed habitats: A new method from acoustic indices

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Concluding remarks

- ✓ Ecoacoustics is a very effective approach for monitoring at different scales (populations, species, communities).
- ✓ Each discipline (biology and computer science) is moving to a more refined questions.
- ✓ Our main short-term challenges are better ecological understanding, reliable acoustic devices and data management.

Monitoring plans on the Northern Andes will be based on an integration of biology and more sophisticated analytical solutions

Thanks!!

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