Environment affects specialisation of plants and pollinators

Supplementary information

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Supplementary methods

Reducing taxonomic uncertainty

Data were obtained from the Web of Life database (Fortuna, Ortega, and Bascompte 2014) which includes data from 58 published studies (Abreu and Vieira 2004; Arroyo, Primack, and Armesto 1982; Barrett and Helenurm 1987; Bartomeus, Vilà, and Santamaría 2008; Bek 2006; Bezerra, Machado, and Mello 2009; Bundgaard 2003; Canela 2006; Clements and Long 1923; del Coro Arizmendi and Ornelas 1990; Dicks, Corbet, and Pywell 2002; Dupont and Olesen 2009; Dupont, Hansen, and Olesen 2003; Elberling and Olesen 1999; Gutierrez, Rojas-Nossa, and Stiles 2004; Hattersley-Smith 1985; Herrera 1988; Hocking 1968; Ingversen 2006; INouE et al. 1990; Inouye and Pyke 1988; Kaiser-Bunbury et al. 2014, 2010; Kakutani et al. 1990; Kato 2000; Kato, Matsumoto, and Kato 1993; Kato and Miura 1996; Kato et al. 1990; Kevan 1970; Kohler 2011; Lara 2006; Las-Casas, Azevedo Júnior, and Dias Filho 2012; Lundgren and Olesen 2005; McMullen 1993; Medan et al. 2002; Memmott 1999; Montero 2005; Mosquin 1967; Motten 1986; Olesen, Eskildsen, and Venkatasamy 2002; Ollerton 2003; Percival 1974; Petanidou and Vokou 1993; Philipp et al. 2006; Primack 1983; Ramirez 1989; Ramirez and Brito 1992; Robertson 1929; Rosero and others 2003; Sabatino 2010; Schemske et al. 1978; Small 1976; Smith-Ramírez et al. 2005; Stald, Valido, and Olesen 2003; Vázquez 2002; Vizentin-Bugoni et al. 2016; Witt 1998; Yamazaki and Kato 2003).

Interaction data from the included studies included 11,231 unique organism names. From these, 1,166 were present in more than one study. From the total number of organisms, 159 were identified to the subspecies or variety level, 6,759 to the species level, 1,755 to the genus level, whereas the remaining 2,558 were unidentified. As the species level was the most common taxonomic rank available in our interaction datasets, in all further analysis, we grouped together subspecies or varieties within the same species.

We were able to confirm the validity of 5,263 of the scientific names used to identify organisms (roughly 76%). We assessed the validity of a name by querying the Global Names Resolver database (https://resolver.globalnames. org) which includes data from 98 taxonomic sources. We accessed this database using the function gnr_resolve from the R package taxize 0.9.6 (Chamberlain and Szocs 2013; S. Chamberlain, Szocs, et al. 2019).

From the remaining 1,655 names we were unable to validate, we were able to identify and correct 726 that contained spelling mistakes. These spelling mistakes were corrected automatically by fuzzy matching the canonical names in our data sources with those in the Global Names Resolver database. However, on rare occasions, the fuzzy matching algorithm can suggest a scientific name that has a similar spelling, but that corresponds to an organism in a different taxonomic group, often a separate kingdom. To address this potential problem, we checked the taxonomic hierarchy of suggested names and confirmed that it matched our expected taxon. We retrieved all taxonomic hierarchies from the National Center for Biotechnology Information taxonomic database (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/taxonomy).

As species names are constantly changing, we subsequently checked for possible synonyms of the canonical names in our data sources. Using data from the Integrated Taxonomic Information System database (http://www.itis.gov), we found synonyms and alternative names for 611 species.

Finding these alternative names was required for two main reasons. First, because we wanted to be able to identify the cases in which the same species might have been recorded with different names in various data sources. This can occur not only when the canonical name has been changed but also when there are widely used orthographic variants. Second, because retrieving occurrence data is often only possible using the latest accepted/valid name for a particular species.

All together, from the 1,655 names we were unable to validate, it was not possible to automatically correct or find synonyms for 332 of them. We then manually consulted multiple online databases, chiefly Wikispecies (https://species.wikimedia.org/), and looked for canonical names that both, resembled the unvalidated names and matched the geographic and taxonomic expectations. In this fashion, we were able to further correct 25 names. Most manual corrections were made on names that have been abbreviated or had more than two spelling mistakes. A complete list of manual name corrections can bee seen in Table S1.

This cleaning process allowed us to match a further 270 names across data

Table S1: Manually corrected canonnical names. More than one correct name have been included when an accepted/valid synonym the cannonical name exists.

incorrect name	corrected name	guild
Acaena pinn	Acaena pinnatifida	plant
Adesmia brachy	Adesmia brachysemeon	plant
Aesculus camea	$Aesculus \ X \ carnea$	plant
Brachyome sinclairii	Brachyscome sinclairii	plant
Calceolaria arac	$Calceolaria\ arachnoidea$	plant
Equium sabulicola	$Echium\ sabulicola$	plant
Euonymus fo rtunei	Euonymus fortunei	plant
Galvezia leucantha pubescen	Galvezia leucantha	plant
Heliconia simulans	Heliconia angusta	plant
Pitcaimia flammea	Pitcairnia flammea	plant
Psittacanthus flavo viridis	Psittacanthus flavo-viridis	plant
Rodophiala bifidum	Rhodophiala bifida	plant
Stachys albi	Stachys albicaulis	plant
Stenactis annuus	Erigeron annuus	plant
Thaspium aureum atropurpurem	$Thas pium\ trifoliatum$	plant
Tristhema mauritiana	$Tristemma\ mauritianum$	plant
Tropaeolum polyph	$Tropaeolum\ polyphyllum$	plant
Tyttnera scabra	$Turnera\ scabra$	plant
	$Turnera\ ulmifolia$	plant
VVedelia biflora	$Melanthera\ biflora$	plant
	$We delia\ biflor a$	plant
Cateres pennatus	Kateretes pennatus	pollinator
Eclimus harrisi	$Condylostylus\ crinicauda$	pollinator
Ptilandrena g. maculati	$Andrena\ distans$	pollinator
Tapinotaspis caerulea	$Chale pogenus\ caerule us$	pollinator
Tapinotaspis herbsti	$Chale pogenus\ herbsti$	pollinator

sources and, by doing so, identify another 72 species that were present in more than one study. The process also allowed us to identify problematic data sources in which some names were included as both plants and pollinators. These data sources were removed from further analysis. In seven of our data sources, interaction data were recorded at multiple points in time. When this was the case, we combined interaction data into one single interaction network.

Reducing location uncertainty

We retrieved occurrences from the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF; https://www.gbif.org) using the R package rgbif 0.9.6 (Chamberlain and Boettiger 2017; S. Chamberlain, Barve, et al. 2019). Specifically, for each species, we only requested occurrences for which the coordinates of the observation were available and that had no known geospatial issue in the GBIF database. We downloaded roughly 38.1 million occurrences for the 986 species in which we were interested. These occurrences, however, contain observations of mixed quality. Therefore, we followed Zizka et al. (2019) and

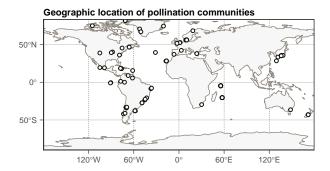


Figure S1: Worldwide distribution of pollination communities included in this study

applied a series of simple filters and geographic heuristics to remove those of lower quality. Specifically, we removed all occurrences with (i) a coordinate uncertainty larger than 100km; (ii) those recorded prior to 1945 (as records prior to this date have been shown to be often imprecise); (iii) those in which the number of counts in the occurrence was registered as zero (as that indicates that the species has not been recorded); and (iv) those occurrences in which the "basis of record" was not a human observation or a preserved specimen (as occurrences from unknown and fossil records are known to be highly unreliable). We then used the R package CoordinateCleaner 0.9.6 (Zizka et al. 2019) and land mass and country data from Natural Earth (https://www.naturalearthdata.com) with a 1:10,000,000 scale to further identify and remove problematic occurrences. We removed occurrences for which their coordinates (v) fell outside the borders of the country where they were recorded; (vi) those around a country capital or the centroid of the country and province centroids; (vii) those around a biodiversity institution; and (viii) those located within oceans. Through this cleaning process, we removed with 7.5 million occurrences distributed across 916 species.

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Figure S2: Median habitat suitability of communities in our dataset. Each row represents a different community and horizontal lines represent span the 2.5 and 97.5 quantiles.

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