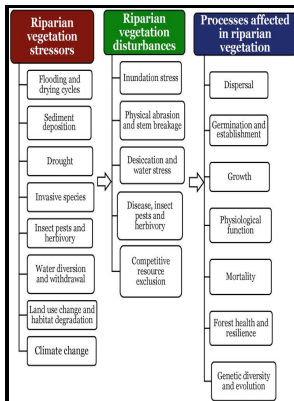


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Further, plants with low cardenolide content received about 70 % of eggs. These chemosensory chemicals are solubilized and transported by the OBPs, which cause activation of chemosensory neurons. Competition between two individuals is often highly asymmetric, with one individual having much greater negative impact than the other.

### Plant defense against herbivory

Different types of predators have developed different strategies for hunting their prey, and different species of predators are grouped into taxonomic categories depending on some of those strategies. The reduction of noise by selecting only those markers with the lowest mismatch rates may lead to informative markers being discarded, thus reducing the statistical power Whitlock et al. Another native pinewood bird, the *Loxia scotica*, has evolved its characteristic crossed beak so that it can prise open pine cones and extract the seeds from inside.

### Predation and Herbivory

However, in large areas of the Highlands the grazing pressure is so intense that native forest is unable to regenerate at all. Plant Form and Vegetation Structure. Some large predators may go several days without eating after a big meal.

### Gut microbes may facilitate insect herbivory of chemically defended plants

In: Rosenthal GA, Berenbaum MR eds *Herbivores: their interactions with secondary plant metabolites*. This means that they must consume the kinds of foods their bodies were designed for. Thus, more research is needed to understand the mechanism of HIPV production, their perception by natural enemies and the possible adaptation by the insect pests.

### Epigenetic correlates of plant phenotypic plasticity: DNA methylation differs between prickly and nonprickly leaves in

### **heterophyllous *Ilex aquifolium* (Aquifoliaceae) trees**

They also feed on broadleaved tree seeds such as acorns and hazelnuts, and aid the regeneration and of these trees, through their caching of the seeds for the winter.

### **Plant defense against herbivory**

We were thus also interested in determining whether leaf phenotype and herbivory covaried in our study population.

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These live inside the leaf itself and move around as they consume the cellulose there. Structural defenses can be described as morphological or physical traits that give the plant a fitness advantage by deterring herbivores from feeding. Agrawal; Marc Mangel July 1997.

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