

# Sylvain Schmitt

# Experience

- 2017 Master 2 thesis: Biodiversity and resilience of tropical forest ecosystem after disturbance,  $\mathrm{UMR}$ ÉCOLOGIE DES FORÊTS GUYANAISE (ECOFOG), Kourou, Franch Guiana.
- 2016 Research internship: Wood and leaf strategy in a low elevation rainforest of Western Ghats, French INSTITUTE OF PONDICHERRY (FIP), Pondicherry, India.
- 2015 Research internship: Species distribution modelling (SSDM), INSTITUT AGRONOMIQUE NÉO-CALÉDONIEN (IAC), Nouméa, New-Caledonia.
- 2015 Master 1 thesis in soil ecology, Helmoltz Zentrum, Munich, Germany.

#### Education

2017-Present PhD in Ecology and Evolution, Univ. Bordeaux.

2013-2017 Msc Biodiversity Ecology Evolution / Forest Engineer, AgroParisTech, Univ. Montpellier.

### Scientific Visits & Fellowships

2 scientific visits longer than 1 month, and 3 grants (congress and mobility).

#### Publications & Communications

Published Schmitt, S., Pouteau, R., Justeau, D., de Boissieu, F., & Birnbaum, P. (2018). SSDM: an R package to Articles predict distribution of species richness and composition based on stacked species distribution models. Methods in Ecology and Evolution. 8:1795-1803. R package https://github.com/sylvainschmitt/SSDM.

Schmitt S., Chave J., Fischer F., Maréchaux I., Piponiot C., Traissac S., & Hérault B. (2019). Functional diversity improves tropical forest resilience: insights from a long-term virtual experiment. Journal of Ecology. 108(3):831-843.

Kattge J., Bönisch G., ..., Schmitt S., ..., et. al (2020). TRY plant trait database – enhanced coverage and open access. Global Change Biology. 26(1), 119-188.

Schmitt, S., Hérault B., Ducouret E., Baranger A., Tysklind N., Heuertz M., Marcon E., Cazal S.O. & Derroire G. (2020). Topography consistently drives intra- and inter-specific leaf trait variation within tree species complexes in a Neotropical forest. Oikos. In press.

Articles

Schmitt, S., Tysklind N., Derroire G., Heuertz M., & Hérault B. (submitted). Topography shapes the local coexistence of tree species within species complexes of Neotropical forests. Manuscript submitted to Oecologia.

Schmitt, S., Tysklind N., Hérault B. & Heuertz M. (submitted). Topography drives microgeographic adaptations of closely-related species in two tropical tree species complexes. Manuscript submitted to New Phytologist.

Articles in preparation

Schmitt, S., Tysklind N., Heuertz M., & Hérault B. Forest gap dynamics: an underexplored factor that drives divergent adaptive growth strategies within tropical tree species. Manuscript in preparation for PNAS.

Schmitt, S., Raevel, V., Réjou-Méchain, M., Ayyappan, N., Balachandran, N., Barathan N., & Munoz, F. (in prep). Topography and canopy height differently shape the functional composition of canopy and understory guilds in an Indian rainforest. Manuscript in preparation.

Communications 2 posters and 1 oral communication invited in international conferences.

# Teaching & Supervision

Teaching Schmitt S. (November 2018 and 2019). Introduction to Bayesian modeling with WinBUGS. 6h, Master 2 Ecology of the Forests of French Guiana.

Supervision Master 2 thesis (É. Ducouret, N. Page), Internship of gap year (A. Baranger), Student Engineer Project.

## Research Support Activities

Evaluation of articles for Ecological informatics and Functional ecology.

#### \_\_\_\_\_Interests

Member of the SEPNB, Presidency of the ADEF, Presidency of a student association, Photography, Cycling, Battery.