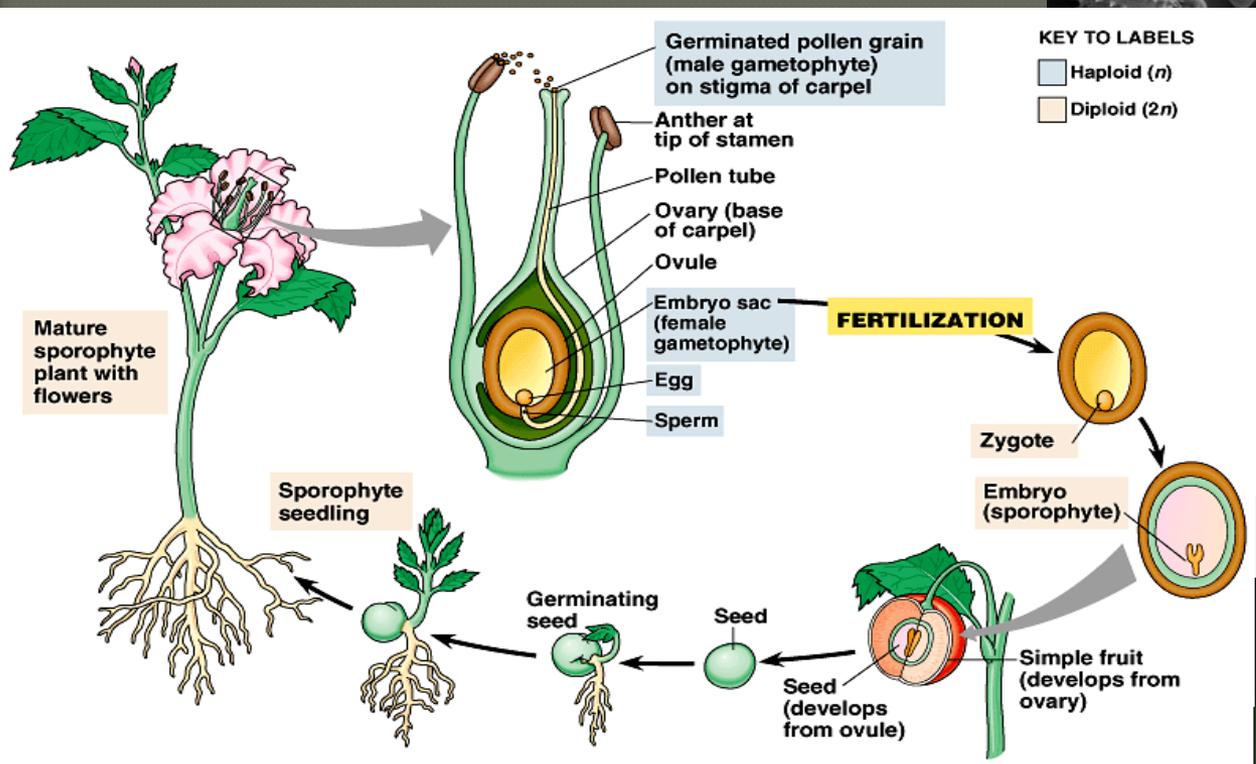
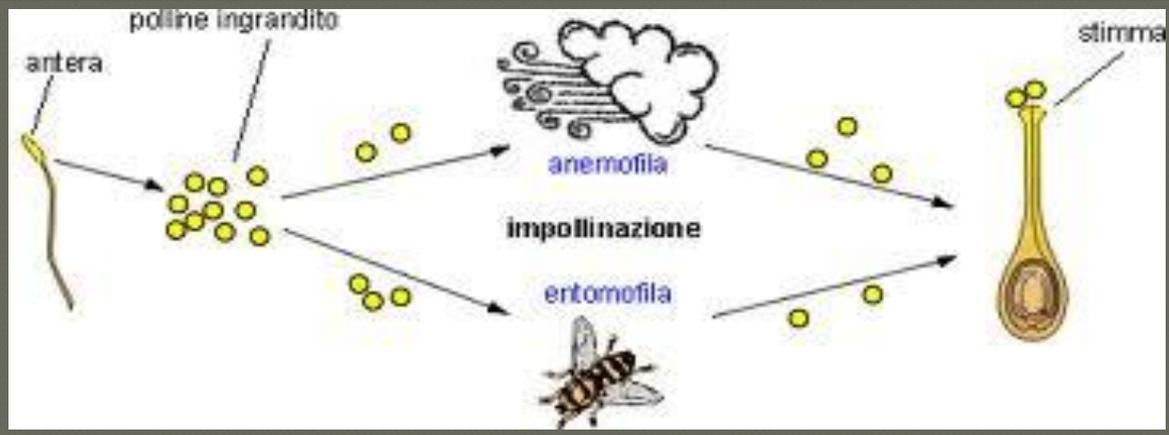
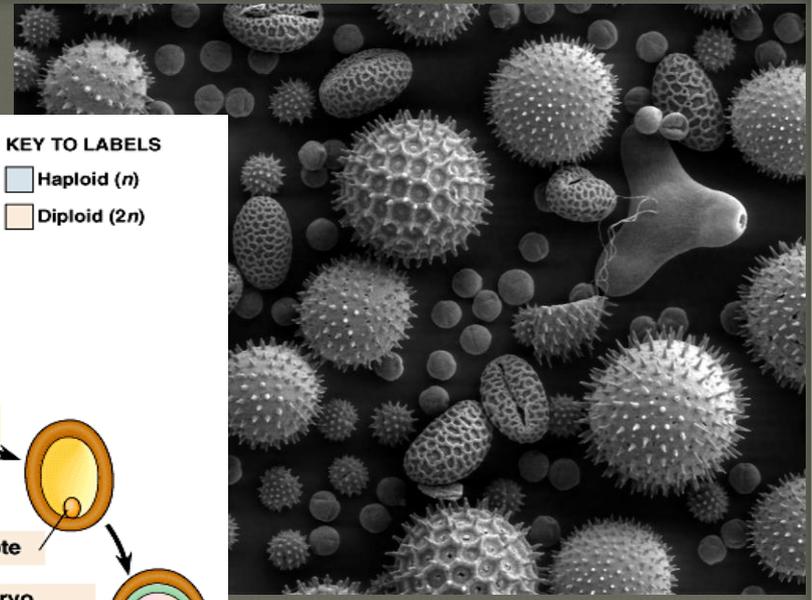


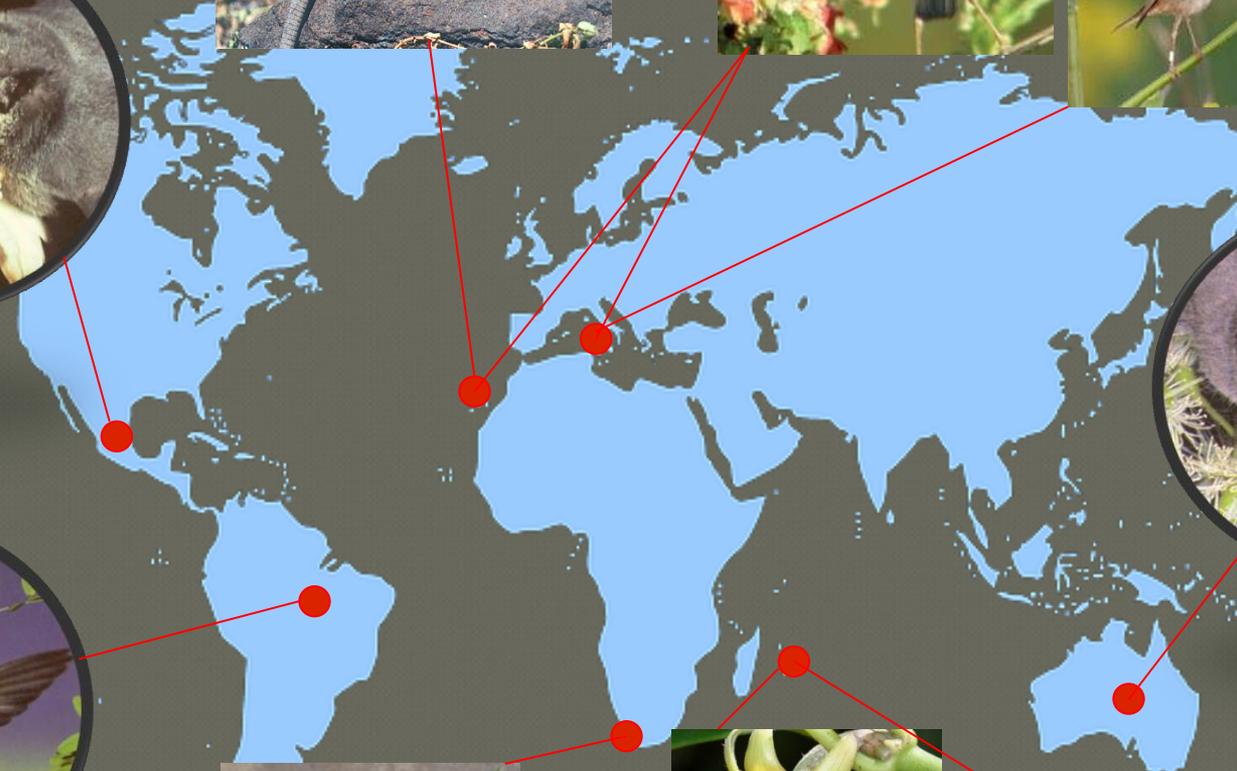
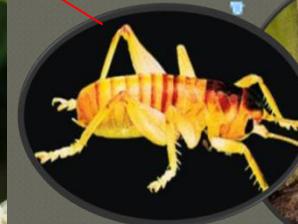
# IMPOLLINAZIONE



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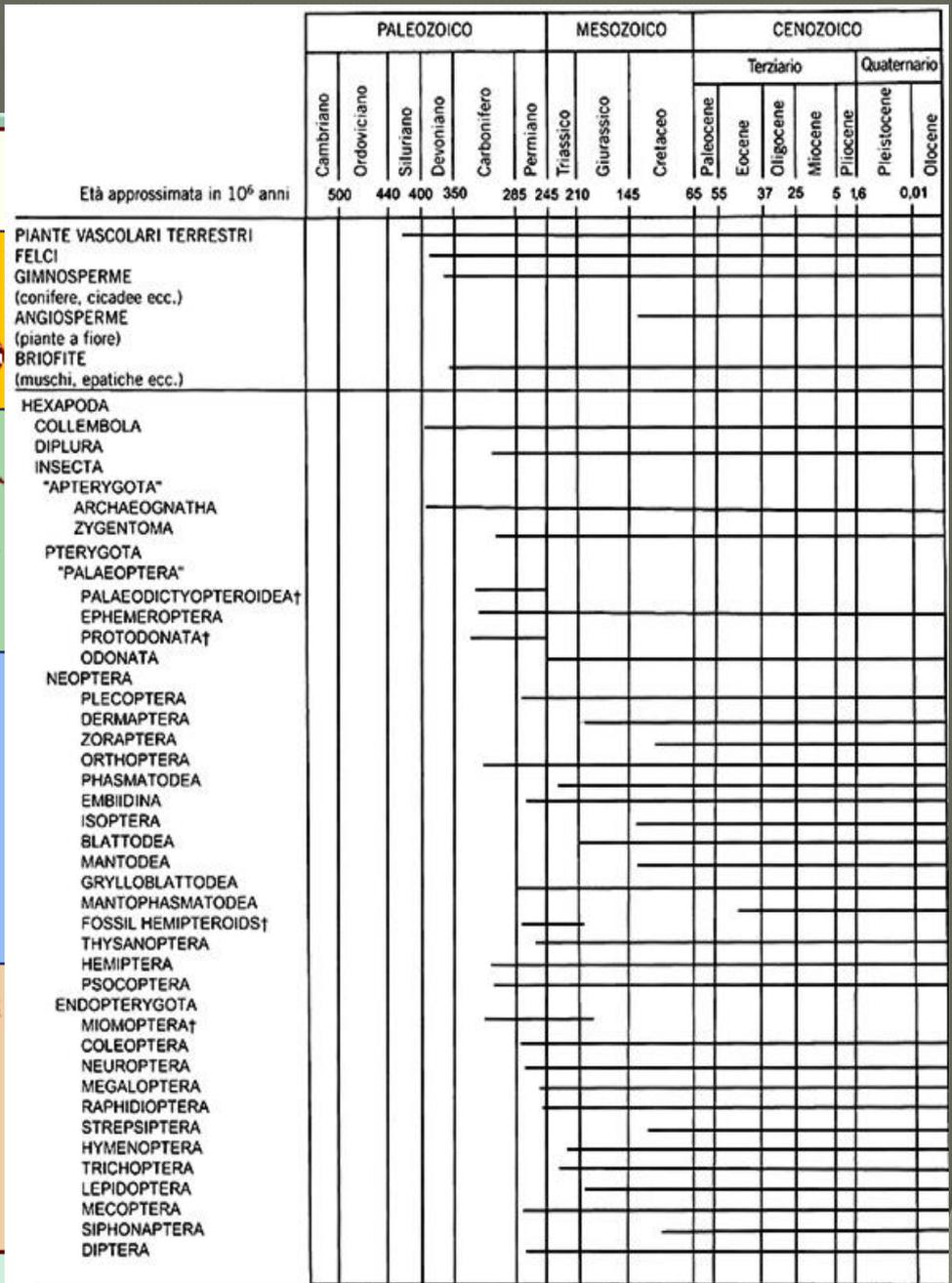
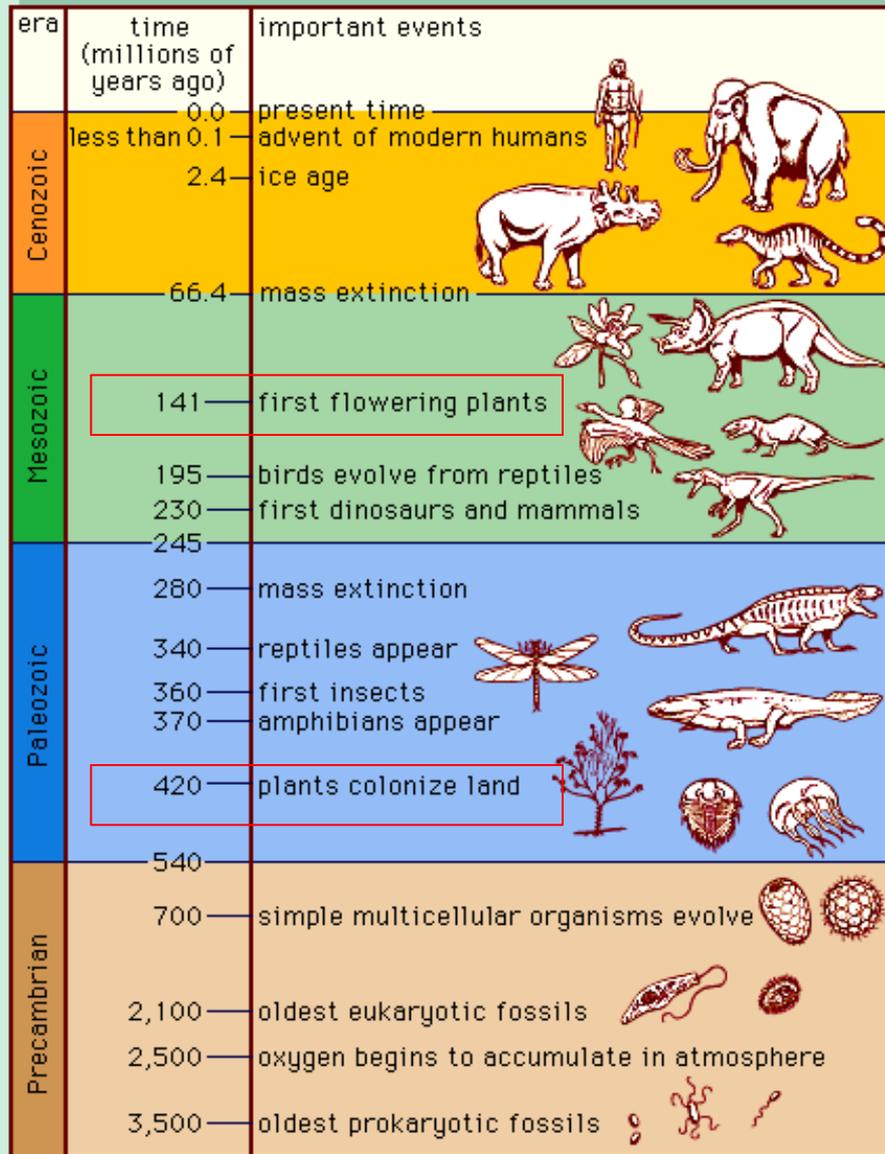
Non solo insetti.....



# I principali impollinatori: gli insetti (Ditteri, Coleotteri, Imenotteri, Lepidotteri)



# Da quando esistono le piante a fiore?



# Perchè gli insetti (animali) visitano i fiori? Per nutrirsi, ma anche per...

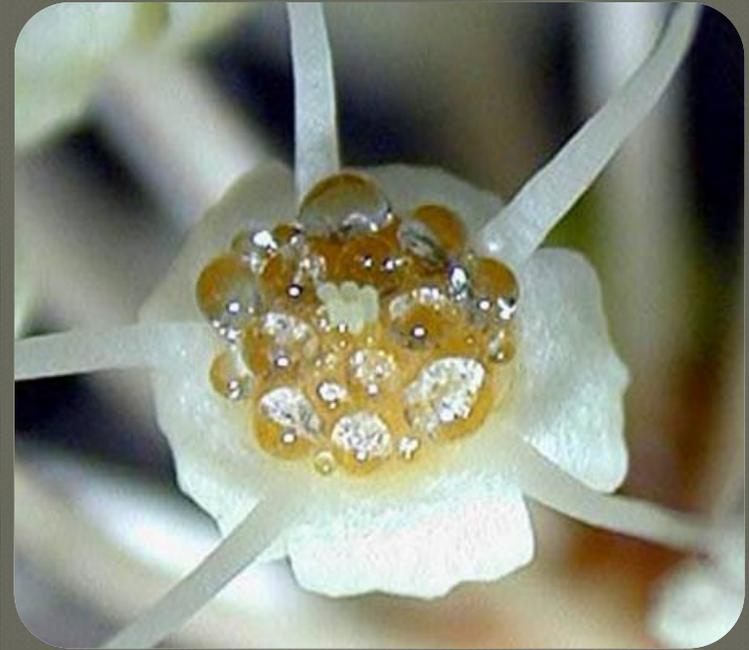
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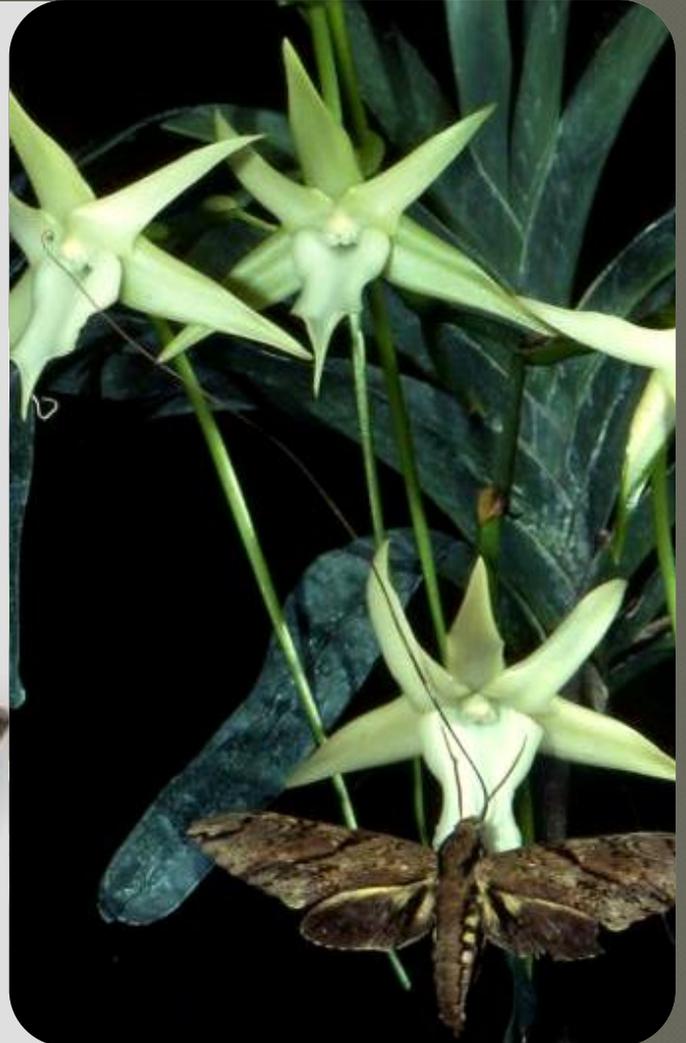
# IL NETTARE



G lucosio  
F ruttosio S accarosio

Il nettare è una soluzione zuccherina costituita da zuccheri semplici. E' molto energetico, gli animali lo possono ingerire facilmente e non necessita processi digestivi. Rappresenta la risorsa alimentare florale piu comunemente sfruttata da un'ampia varietà di animali

Complesse morfologie fiorali  
*Xanthopan morganii* and *Angraecum sesquipedale*



Dopo gli zuccheri, gli amminocidi sono i soluti più abbondanti del nettare anche se rispetto ad essi sono presenti in quantità circa cento volte inferiore.

Contribuiscono al GUSTO del nettare perchè stimolano i recettori labellari



**TABLE 4.5**  
FREQUENCIES OF OCCURRENCE OF  
INDIVIDUAL AMINO ACIDS IN FLORAL NECTARS  
OF 395 SPECIES FROM VARIOUS TROPICAL AND  
TEMPERATE REGIONS

	<i>Detected In</i>	<i>Proportion</i>
Alanine	380	.96
Arginine	356	.90
Serine	352	.89
Proline	344	.87
Glycine	332	.84
Isoleucine	287	.73
Threonine	263	.67
Valine	260	.66
Leucine	255	.66
Glutamic	245	.62
Cysteine, etc.	218	.55
Phenylalanine	216	.55
Tyrosine	204	.52
Tryptophan	189	.48
Lysine	162	.41
Glutamine	162	.41
Aspartic	128	.32
Asparagine	106	.27
Methionine	80	.20
Histidine	77	.19
Nonprotein	144	.36

Source: Baker and Baker 1982b.

Amminoacidi non proteici :  
Taurina, beta alanina, GABA

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Nonprotein 144 .36

Histidine 77 .19

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# Taurine Supplementation



Taurine – The Basics



## Integratori “muscolari” nel nettare?



Anche gli  
insetti si  
dopano!!

+ capacità di volo degli insetti = + possibilità di impollinazione delle piante

Altre sostanze sono presenti nel nettare in quantità ancora minore, ma sembrano avere un ruolo comunque importante

Alcaloidi psicoattivi: caffeina e nicotina

Alte dosi funzionano da deterrente e possono essere tossiche per molti insetti

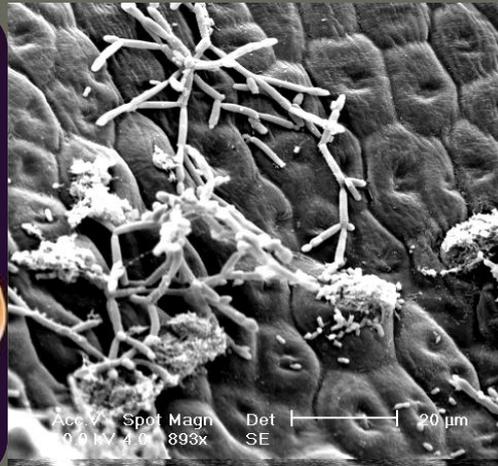


Basse dosi possono essere gradite ed indurre dipendenza negli insetti

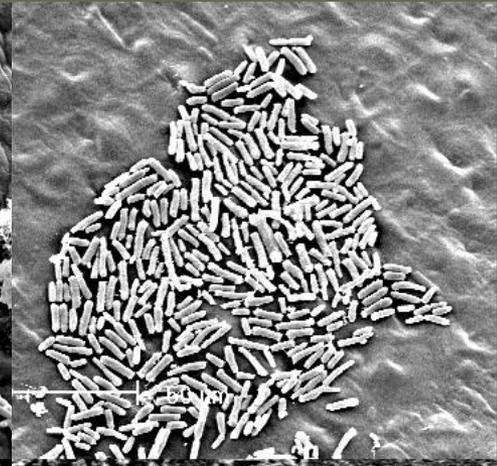
# Il nettare può contenere organismi microscopici.....



Lieviti,  
fermentazione



Funghi filamentosi



batteri

Interazione  
con gli animali

Alcol, sostanze volatili aromatiche



Per difendersi da questi microrganismi, il nettare contiene alcune sostanze ad attività antimicrobica

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QUANDO L'INSETTO INGANNA LA PIANTA .....



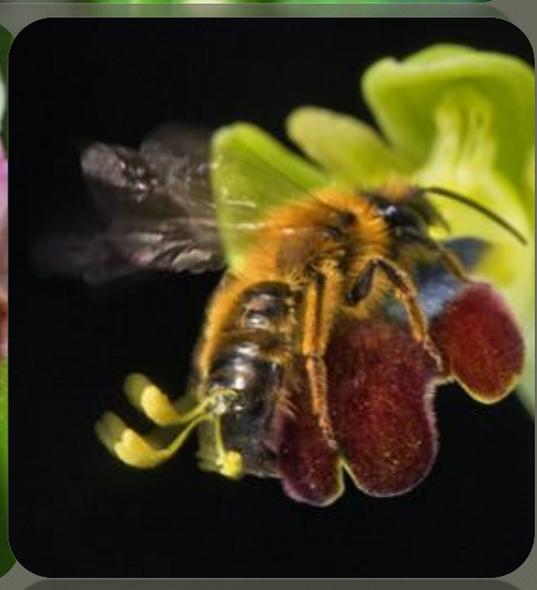
*Bombus*



*Xylocopa*

## QUANDO LA PIANTA INGANNA L'INSETTO.....

Impollinazione nelle orchidee del genere *Ophrys*



Category	Species	Totals
<b>Vertebrate Animals</b>		
Mammals	5,490	
Birds	9,998	
Reptiles	9,084	
Amphibians	6,433	
Fishes	31,300	
<b>Total Vertebrates</b>		<b>62,305</b>
<b>Invertebrate Animals</b>		
Insects	1,000,000	
Spiders and scorpions	102,248	
Molluscs	85,000	
Crustaceans	47,000	
Corals	2,175	
Others	68,827	
<b>Total Invertebrates</b>		<b>1,305,250</b>
<b>Plants</b>		
Flowering plants (angiosperms)	281,821	
Conifers (gymnosperms)	1,021	
Ferns and horsetails	12,000	
Mosses	16,236	
Red and green algae	10,134	
<b>Total Plants</b>		<b>321,212</b>
<b>Others</b>		
Lichens	17,000	
Mushrooms	31,496	
Brown algae	3,067	
<b>Total Others</b>		<b>51,563</b>
<b>TOTAL SPECIES</b>		<b>1,740,330</b>

Le interazioni mutualistiche tra piante ed animali sono quantomai diversificate soprattutto nel processo di impollinazione

La rapida evoluzione delle Angiosperme e l'impressionante radiazione adattativa che le caratterizza si sono potute attuare anche grazie a queste interazioni così diversificate ed in parte ancora ampiamente sconosciute