Commentary

# Study of Insects and the Environmental Indicators of Entomology

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## DESCRIPTION

The study of insects and their interactions with other living things, people, and the environment is known as entomology. The fields of molecular science, criminology, forensics, chemistry, biology, human and animal health, and agriculture all benefit greatly from the work of entomologists. The study of insects forms the foundation for advancements in a wide range of scientific domains, including biological and chemical pest management, food and fibre production and storage, pharmaceutical epidemiology, biological diversity, and many more.

By identifying the role that insects play in the spread of illness and figuring out how to prevent harm to cattle, food and fibre crops, and other resources, professional entomologists advance humankind. They research how helpful insects improve the health of people, animals, and plants. Because of their beauty and diversity, insects are a source of interest for amateur entomologists.

Since Aristotle established biology as a formal discipline of study, entomology has existed as an old science. There are even older references to the employment of insects in daily life, such as in China, where the cultivation of silkworms began around 4700 BC and played a significant role in peasant life as early as 4000 BC. Entomologists established the Entomological Society of America (ESA) more than a century ago to advance entomology as a discipline and field of study in the United States.

#### Study of entomology at WSU

Since entomology is a specialised field of study, WSU students have the distinct advantage of small classes with lots of chances to speak with an entomology faculty member one-on-one. Entomologists who are actively engaged in a wide range of research projects teach our pupils. Our IPM curriculum offers an internship programme, and many of our alumni go on to land extremely profitable employment as a result. We are able to give experience working in a variety of locales and areas of interest because of the strong relationships our department has with numerous industry leaders. Many of our students have received awards from professional groups, the WSU, states, and countries for

their work.

The study of insects has always piqued the interest of eminent scientists. The Greek scientist and philosopher Aristotle laid the foundation for modern entomology with his descriptions of insect anatomy in the fourth century bce. Pliny the Elder added more species to Aristotle's list. De Animalibus Insectis, a significant work by the Italian naturalist Ulisse Aldrovandi, was released in 1602. The Dutch naturalist Jan Swammerdam was able to see the intricate details of numerous bug species because to the newly created microscope. Insect classification now dates back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Mémoires pour servir à l'histoire des insectes, the first of six volumes, was published in 1734 by the French naturalist René-Antoine Ferchault de Réaumur.

## Indicators of entomology

**Scientists:** Entomologists have contributed much to our current understanding of inheritance, physiology, and ecology through their study of insects.

**Farmers:** Insects devour or contaminate crops and food products. The world's best agricultural production is being maintained by entomologists. Livestock are shielded from diseases spread by insects thanks to the expertise of veterinary entomologists.

**Teachers:** Entomology is used in the classroom by teachers to teach fundamental biological ideas and concepts.

**Environmentalists:** Entomologists research environmental indicators to learn more about how people and nature interact. Entomologists seek to preserve the environment and restore damaged habitats by detecting endangered species and researching their ecosystems.

## CONCLUSION

Entomology is the area of zoology that deals with the research of insects. The segmented body structure of the insect is described by the Greek word entomon, which means "notched." This area of study encompasses the zoological subfields of genetics, taxonomy, morphology, physiology, behaviour, and ecology. The practical parts of economic entomology, which cover the negative

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and positive effects of insects on people and their activities, are also covered. Additionally, entomology is crucial to research

on biodiversity and evaluations of the state of the ecosystem.