



The pollen spectrum of South Tyrolean honeys: How does it change in urban environment?

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The pollen spectrum – a certificate of honey's origin



geographical origin – botanical origin

The pollen spectrum in South Tyrolean honeys

1998-2017 (705 honey samples)

- high pollen diversity: 223
- on average 62 different pollen types/sample
- basic pollen spectrum: 36 (present in at least 75% of the samples)
- on average 33 elements of the basic pollen spectrum/sample



The pollen spectrum of two urban honeys produced in the city center of Bolzano

2015

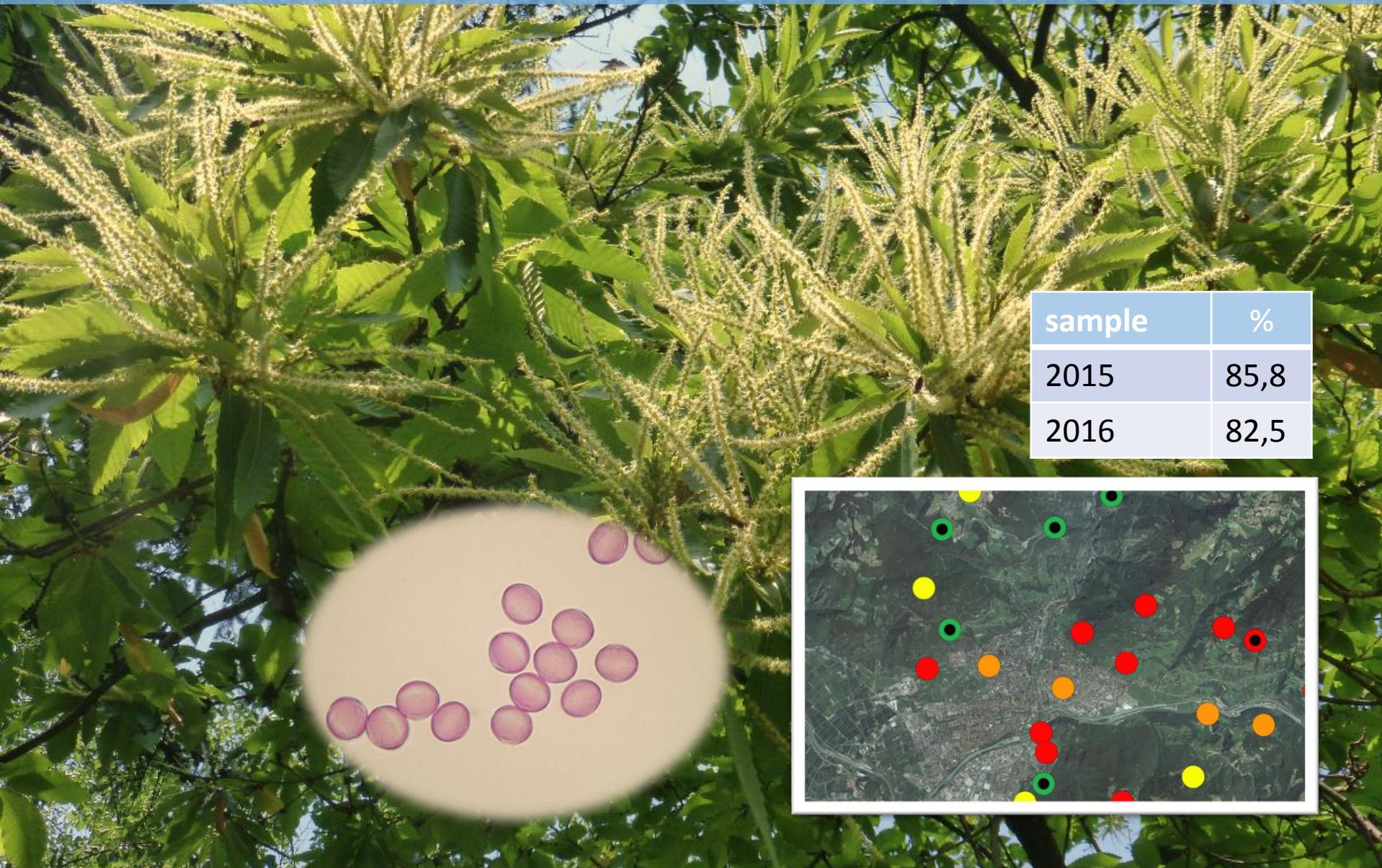
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| Aceraceae | Acer | wEP |
| Araliaceae | Hedera | EP1 |
| Asteraceae | Achillea)-Form | EP1 |
| Asteraceae | Helianthus)-Form | EP1 |
| Asteraceae | Taraxacum)-Form | EP2 |
| Bignoniaceae | Catalpa | EP1 |
| Boraginaceae | Echium | EP2 |
| Bryophytaceae | | EP1 |
| Buddlejaceae | Buddleja | EP2 |
| Buxaceae | Buxus | EP1 |
| Caesalpiniaceae | Gleditsia | EP2 |
| Campanulaceae | | EP1 |
| Caprifoliaceae | Lonicera | EP1 |
| Caprifoliaceae | Symphoricarpos | EP1 |
| Caprifoliaceae | Viburnum | EP1 |
| Caprifoliaceae | Weigela | EP1 |
| Caryophyllaceae | | EP1 |
| Comaceae | Comus | EP1 |
| Crassulaceae | Sedum/Sempervivum-G. | EP2 |
| Fabaceae | Melilotus-Gruppe | EP1 |
| Fabaceae | Robinia | EP2 |
| Fabaceae | Sophora (japonica)? | EP2 |
| Fabaceae | Trifolium repens-Gruppe | wEP |
| Fagaceae | Castanea | LP |
| Hippocastanaceae | Aesculus | wEP |
| Lamiaceae | Lavandula | EP1 |
| Lamiaceae | M(ajorana)-Form | EP1 |
| Lauraceae | | EP1 |
| Ulmaceae s.l. | | EP2 |
| Lythraceae | Punica granatum? | EP2 |
| Magnoliaceae | Uridendron | EP2 |
| Monimiaceae | Monilia | EP1 |
| Malvaceae | | EP1 |
| Myrsinaceae | | EP1 |
| Oleaceae | Liquidambar/Birnia | EP2 |
| Palmeae | Trachycarpus | wEP |
| Rosaceae | Fragaria/Potentilla-Gr. | EP2 |
| Rosaceae | Malus/Pyrus-Gruppe | wEP |
| Rosaceae | Prunus-Gruppe | EP2 |
| Rosaceae | Rubus-Gruppe | EP2 |
| Rosaceae | kleine Pollenformen | EP1 |
| Salicaceae | Betula | wEP |
| Sapindaceae | Koelreuteria? | EP1 |
| Sapotaceae | Alantus | EP |
| Tiliaceae | Tilia | EP2 |
| Vitaceae | Parthenocissus | wEP |
| Aceraceae | Acer neounedo | EP2 |
| Aichidiaceae | Actinidia | EP1 |
| Amaranthaceae | | EP1 |
| Asteraceae | Artemisia | EP1 |
| Betulaceae | Betula | EP1 |
| Caprifoliaceae | Bambucus | EP2 |
| Corylaceae | Ostrya | EP2 |
| Cuernaceae | | EP1 |
| Fagaceae | Quercus | EP2 |
| Juglandaceae | | EP2 |
| Juncaceae | | EP1 |
| Oleaceae | Fraxinus excelsior | EP1 |
| Oleaceae | Fraxinus ornus | EP2 |
| Oleaceae | Olea | EP1 |
| Papaveraceae | | EP2 |
| Pinaceae | | EP1 |
| Plantaginaceae | Plantago | EP2 |
| Platanaceae | Platanus | EP1 |
| Poaceae | | EP1 |
| Salicaceae | Populus | EP1 |
| Ulmaceae | Ulmus | EP1 |
| Urticaceae | | EP2 |
| Vitaceae | Vitis | EP2 |

2015
70/27

2016
78/27

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| Aceraceae | Acer | |
| Araliaceae | Araliiscus)(H(eracleum) | EP1 |
| Aquifoliaceae | Ilex | EP1 |
| Araliaceae | Hedera | EP1 |
| Asteraceae | Achillea)-Form | EP2 |
| Asteraceae | H(jelanthus)-Form | EP2 |
| Asteraceae | Taraxacum)-Form | EP2 |
| Bignoniaceae | Catalpa | |
| Boraginaceae | Anchusa/Pulmonaria-Gr. | EP1 |
| Boraginaceae | Echium | EP2 |
| Boraginaceae | Mycotis | EP2 |
| Buddlejaceae | Buddleja | EP1 |
| Buxaceae | Buxus | EP1 |
| Cesalpiniaceae | Gleditsia | EP2 |
| Caprifoliaceae | Symporicarpos | EP1 |
| Caprifoliaceae | Viburnum | EP2 |
| Caprifoliaceae | Velutia | EP1 |
| Commelinaceae | | EP1 |
| Comaceae | Comus | |
| Cressulaceae | Sedum/Sempervivum-Gr. | EP2 |
| Elaeagnaceae | Eleagnus | EP1 |
| Euphorbiaceae | Euphorbia | EP1 |
| Fabaceae | Lotus-Gruppe | EP1 |
| Fabaceae | Melilotus-Gruppe | EP1 |
| Fabaceae | Robina | EP2 |
| Fabaceae | Sophora (japonica)? | EP1 |
| Fabaceae | Trifolium repens-Gr. | EP2 |
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| Lamaceae | Lavandula | EP1 |
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| Lauraceae | | EP2 |
| Ulmaceae s.l. | | EP2 |
| Lythraceae | Lagerstroemia | EP2 |
| Lythraceae | Punica granatum? | EP2 |
| Magnoliaceae | Uridendron | EP2 |
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| Myrsinaceae | | EP1 |
| Oleaceae | Liquidambar/Birnia | EP2 |
| Palmeae | Trachycarpus | EP2 |
| Ranunculaceae | Clematis-Gruppe | EP1 |
| Rhamnaceae | | EP1 |
| Rosaceae | Fragaria/Potentilla-Gr. | EP1 |
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| Salicaceae | Betula | wEP |
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| Tiliaceae | Tilia | EP2 |
| Vitaceae | Parthenocissus | EP2 |
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| Amaranthaceae | | EP1 |
| Anacardiaceae | Pistacia | EP1 |
| Asteraceae | Artemisia | EP1 |
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| Caprifoliaceae | Bambucus | EP2 |
| Corylaceae | Ostrya | EP2 |
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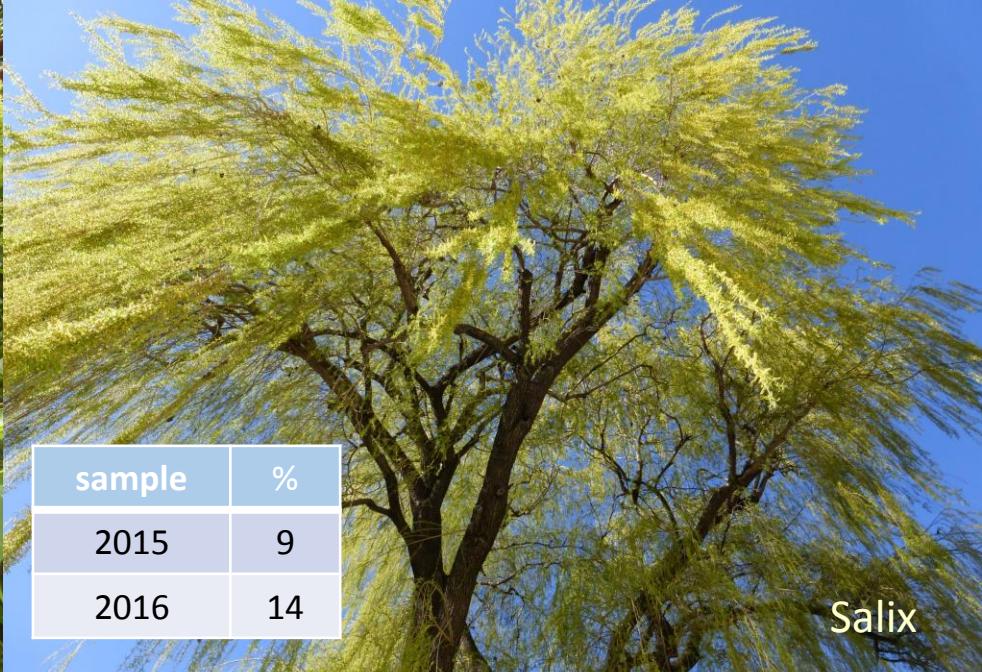
Castanea → «predominant pollen»





Ailanthus

| sample | % |
|--------|----|
| 2015 | 16 |
| 2016 | 14 |



Salix

| sample | % |
|--------|----|
| 2015 | 9 |
| 2016 | 14 |

tree/shrubs → «important minor pollen» (3-16%)



Acer

| sample | % |
|--------|----|
| 2015 | 10 |
| 2016 | 8 |



Aesculus

| sample | % |
|--------|---|
| 2015 | 8 |
| 2016 | 3 |



Parthenocissus



Tilia



Trachycarpus



Gleditsia

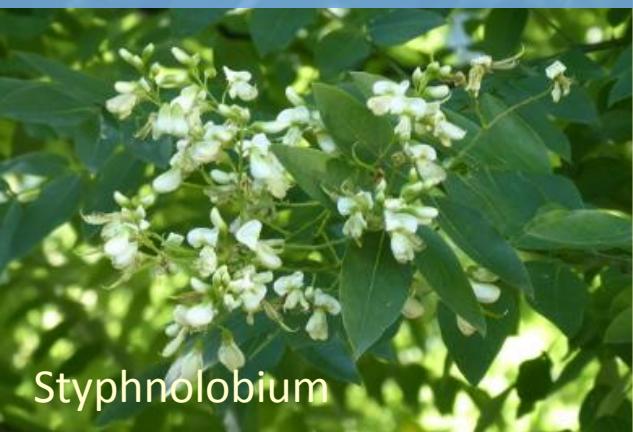


Ligustrum



Liriodendron

«accompanying pollen flora» - high number of ornamental species (I)



Styphnolobium



Koelreuteria



Punica



Catalpa



Buxus



Symphoricarpos



Weigelia



Magnolia



Eleagnus

«accompanying pollen flora» - high number of ornamental species (II)



Lagerstroemia



Lavandula



Ilex



Rosaceae



«accompanying pollen flora» - typical local elements





Juglans



Actinidia



Olea



Vitis



Fraxinus ornus



Acer negundo

«accompanying pollen flora» - non nectariferous and/or anemophilous species



Papaveraceae



Betula



Sambucus



Conclusions

- Castanea as «predominant pollen»
- «accompanying pollen spectrum» includes many ornamental species
- typical local elements: 27 of 36 pollen types (basic pollen spectrum)
 - possible unknown pollen types/shifts in frequencies

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PROVINCIA AUTONOMA DI BOLZANO - ALTO ADIGE

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