

1 **Pollinator Dependence values of animal pollinated crops**
2 **– an updated compilation and discussion on**
3 **methodological approaches**

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11 Abstract

12 1. Pollinator dependence (PD) of a crop is a key estimate for assessing pollinator's
13 contribution to agriculture, guiding management plans and policies for sustainable crop
14 production. However, currently available global compilations of crops PD are outdated
15 and neglect variability between accessions (variety/cultivar) and information on pollen
16 deposition limitation.

17 2. Here, we gathered PD values of animal pollinated crops, using data from pollination
18 experiments. We also tested methodological aspects of pollination experiments to
19 assess how they affect PD values to define suitable guidelines for future pollination
20 studies.

21 3. We provide an updated list of PD values for 119 crops, including 290 crop accessions
22 and 35 crops not listed in previous assessments. We found that globally, 80% of the
23 animal pollinated crops depend highly on pollinators, with more than 40% of their
24 production being associated with animal pollination. Pollen deposition limitation was
25 detected in 52% of the dataset entries, indicating that pollinator community in those
26 cases was insufficient to fully provide pollination services.

27 4. As most crop PD values published are based on natural pollination levels, pollinator's
28 contribution to most crops is underestimated. Pollen supplementation treatments
29 should hence be incorporated into future studies. This study provides valuable data for
30 future evaluations of pollinator's importance for local and global economies as well as
31 guidelines for future crop pollination studies.

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35 pollen supplementation, pollen limitation, pollination.

36 Introduction

37 Biotic pollination is a crucial biodiversity-dependent ecosystem service that contributes
38 to crop yield, supporting food provision and other resources important for humans
39 (Dicks et al., 2021; Power, 2010). Together with managed pollinators, diverse and
40 abundant pollinator communities ensure the reproduction of pollinator-dependent
41 crops, with increased yields and/or higher quality of fruit and seeds, even in self-
42 compatible crops (Klatt et al., 2014; Klein et al., 2003).

43 The ability of a given crop field to achieve its maximum production potential depends
44 on numerous factors, such as nutrient and water availability, environmental conditions,
45 biotic interactions, and pest levels (Licker et al., 2010). For pollinator-dependent crops
46 that have as their primary product fruits or seeds, pollination is directly linked with crop
47 yield. In these crops, yield is mainly the result of two components (Fig. 1): (1) crop
48 selfing ability (i.e. the ability to produce fruits and/or seeds in the absence of pollination
49 vectors, Fig. 1 - SELF bar); (2) pollination services available in each place and time
50 (natural pollination, Fig. 1 - NAT bar). Altogether, they result in yields that, in optimal
51 conditions, are equal to (3), the production under optimal levels of pollination (Fig. 1 -
52 OPT bar).

53 The difference between natural and optimal yields is known as pollen deposition
54 limitation (PL; Fig. 1), caused by insufficient and/or inefficient pollination services
55 (Bartomeus et al., 2014; Toledo-Hernández et al., 2017). Following Liebig's law of the
56 minimum (Liebig, 1840), crop yield is determined by the most limiting factor. In

57 pollinator-dependent crops, when no other factors limit yield, as expected in optimized
58 agricultural systems, pollen deposition (associated with pollinator availability) is the
59 limiting factor (Tamburini et al., 2019), being PL defined as the quantitative and
60 qualitative inadequate pollen receipt that limits agricultural output in yield or economic
61 terms (Vaissière et al. 2011).

62 Indeed, pollinator's contribution to crop yields (Fig. 1) can vary significantly due to
63 spatial, temporal, and biotic factors (Bishop & Nakagawa, 2021; Mallinger et al., 2021;
64 Webber et al., 2020). Pollinator communities, the services they provide, and,
65 consequently, crop yield, are largely impacted by factors such as regional biodiversity,
66 landscape conservation status, environmental conditions during flowering, and local
67 management practices (Holland et al., 2017; Mota et al., 2022; Potts et al., 2010;
68 Senapathi et al., 2017).

69 The relative difference in yield resulting from crop selfing ability (SELF) and optimal
70 pollination (OPT) corresponds to the potential pollinator's contribution to production,
71 i.e. the true level of PD, a metric highly used to endorse the importance of pollinators to
72 humans (Fig. 1). Indeed, estimates of pollinator's contribution to agricultural production
73 provide valuable information for guiding both farm management practices and
74 policymaking regarding pollinator conservation (Potts et al., 2016a). Furthermore, by
75 combining crops' PD with their economic value, we can assess the direct economic
76 impact of pollinators on crop production and crop markets (Gallai et al., 2009; Potts et
77 al., 2016b; Silva et al., 2021).

78 Studies such as Free (1993) and Klein et al. (2007) widely assessed pollinator's
79 dependence of crops. Klein et al. (2007), the most comprehensive and currently used

80 study to date, evaluated and compiled PD values in four categories (i.e. “little”,
81 “modest”, “high”, and “essential”) for 91 major crops produced worldwide. This index
82 shows the importance of evaluating crop pollination services and constitutes the base
83 for economic assessments of pollination value, opening discussions and facilitating
84 conservation actions and initiatives concerning pollinators and their importance.
85 However, due to the continuous emergence of crops and new studies being available,
86 an update on PD levels of crops is currently needed. Recent syntheses after the seminal
87 work of Klein et al. (2007) include PD values for emergent crops; however, they are
88 usually focused on a few economically important crops or specific regions of the globe
89 (see Bishop & Nakagawa, 2021; Giannini et al., 2015; Mallinger et al., 2021; Olhnuud et
90 al., 2022). Additionally, within a crop, different accessions (plants that share similar
91 and/or selected traits, including cultivars, varieties and other infraspecific taxonomic
92 levels) may differ greatly in self-compatibility and selfing ability (e.g. Kendall et al., 2020;
93 Klatt et al., 2014) and, hence, different PD levels are expected (e.g. Bishop & Nakagawa,
94 2021; Carvalheiro et al., 2010; Marini et al., 2015). However, detailed information about
95 PD levels in crop’s accessions is scattered in the literature, making it difficult to compile
96 this data, and, to our knowledge, it is seldom accounted for in global studies.

97 Despite the growing availability of studies quantifying PD, there are challenges with the
98 currently used methodologies, which could be underrepresenting the importance of
99 pollinators and their associated economic value. Crops’ PD literature usually evaluates
100 crop production after natural pollination (i.e. pollination provided by locally available
101 pollinator communities), comparing it with the output after pollinators' exclusion (Fig.
102 1). Consequently, PD values using natural pollination will vary according to the local
103 pollinator’s communities. Hence, we propose that a hand pollen supplementation

104 treatment is more suitable to estimate the true level of PD since natural pollination may
105 lead to underestimations of PD values. For example, for the same plant species, a natural
106 pollination estimation based on an experiment run in an impoverished landscape with
107 unfavourable conditions for pollinators will generate lower PD values than a similar
108 experiment run in a landscape with rich and abundant pollinator communities able to
109 provide suitable pollination services. Being pollination services often limited in nature
110 (Bennett et al., 2018; Knight et al., 2005) and in crops (Garibaldi et al., 2011; Olhnuud et
111 al., 2022; Potts et al., 2016a; Castro et al., 2021; Sáez et al., 2022), we expect that
112 estimates of PD using natural pollination will be lower than PD values generated with
113 hand-pollination. Moreover, as flower manipulations may affect flower and fruit
114 development, we expect different methodologies associated with hand pollen
115 supplementations to impact PD estimates negatively. Finally, as pollen supplementation
116 may lead to directed resource allocation to treated structures, PD values are expected
117 to be higher when pollination treatments are performed at smaller scales (e.g. flower
118 level) than at larger ones (e.g. plant level).

119 We gathered information on pollination experiments for animal pollinated crops to test
120 the abovementioned expectations and propose a methodological framework to
121 estimate the PD of crops under optimal pollination. Finally, we provide an updated list
122 of continuous PD values for animal pollinated crops, including crop accessions whenever
123 available. This updated list will significantly contribute to more accurate future studies
124 on the importance of pollinators for local and global economies associated with food
125 and agricultural production.

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127 [Material and Methods](#)

128 [Literature search](#)

129 To gather data on the contribution of animal pollination to crops production, a
130 systematic search was conducted using Web of Science, Scopus and Google Scholar
131 bibliographic databases (from January 1st 1900, to March 1st 2022). The search was
132 focused solely on experiments performed in agricultural contexts and open conditions,
133 excluding assessments on natural populations or closed greenhouses. The search was
134 based on a list of animal pollinated crops from which fruit and/or seeds are used as food
135 and goods (based on FAO list of worldwide produced crops in 2021; list of taxa given in
136 Supporting Information) performing a literature search focused on species or common
137 names as search terms (list of search terms given in Supporting Information). Different
138 publication formats were considered (e.g. published articles, posters, theses, reports),
139 verifying for duplicates across the different formats. Data was extracted to create
140 PollimCrop, a global database of pollen deposition limitation in crops (unpublished
141 data).

142 [Data extraction and dataset development](#)

143 To construct a dataset of crops' PD, studies that included the following treatments were
144 selected: hand pollen supplementation, where pollen was applied to flowers to achieve
145 optimal pollination; natural pollination, where flowers received pollination services
146 naturally present at the study location; and pollinator exclusion, where reproductive
147 structures were excluded from animal pollination through caging or bagging. From these
148 studies, the following information was extracted: 1) production variables associated
149 with experimental pollination treatments, i.e. fruit set, fruit weight, seed set, seed
150 number and/or seed weight; 2) data related to geographical and temporal aspects of

151 the study such as country and year when the experiment was performed; and 3)
152 experimental details as additional treatments performed on supplemental pollination
153 (i.e. H – hand pollen supplementation, only; BH – pollinator exclusion and hand pollen
154 supplementation; EH – emasculation and hand pollen supplementation; BEH – pollinator
155 exclusion, emasculation and hand pollen supplementation), scale of the pollination
156 experiment [i.e. pollination treatment applied to the complete plant, branch,
157 inflorescence (which includes flower clusters) or flower (individual flower)], species and
158 common names of the crop and part of the crop economically used (i.e. fruit or seed).
159 Further details on extracted variables are provided in Table S1.

160 [Estimates of pollinator dependence](#)

161 Pollinator dependence (PD) value was calculated using the following equation:

$$162 \quad PD = 1 - [\text{pollinator exclusion production} / \text{pollinator-associated production}]$$

163 where *pollinator exclusion production* refers to the production in the absence of
164 pollinators, and *pollinator-associated production* refers to the production associated
165 with animal pollinator visitation (i.e. natural pollination or hand pollen
166 supplementation).

167 For PD estimates, fruit and seed variables available were used depending on which part
168 of the crop is economically used (i.e. seed or fruit). In fruit crops, fruit-related production
169 variables were used for PD calculation, i.e. fruit set and fruit weight. For seed crops, seed
170 set, and seed number and weight were used, in addition to fruit set. When several
171 production variables were provided, a mean value of the obtained PD values was
172 calculated and used. In four entries (out of 564), pollinator exclusion production was
173 25% higher than pollinator-associated production and were likely related with

174 methodological problems with the pollinator exclusion methodology. Therefore, PD
175 value was not calculated for those four entries. When pollinator exclusion production
176 was higher than pollinator-associated production, but the difference was below 25%, PD
177 estimates were considered to be zero. The PD value was calculated for each entry that
178 met the abovementioned conditions. PD ranged between 0 and 1, 0 representing the
179 absence of PD and 1 representing maximum PD. Two PD values were calculated for each
180 entry, one using hand pollen supplementation and pollinator exclusion treatments (PD-
181 SUP) and the other using natural pollination and pollinator exclusion treatment (PD-
182 NAT).

183 A final PD value was obtained for each entry (defined here as PD-final), using either hand
184 pollen supplementation or natural pollination treatment, by selecting the maximum
185 value obtained. Variation in production variables is expected, and thus, cases where
186 natural pollination overcomes hand pollen supplementation may occur. Cases where
187 production of natural pollination is much higher than after hand pollination might reflect
188 methodological issues or lack of efficiency or success in hand pollen supplementation;
189 such cases may affect the data and lead to misleading conclusions. Here, entries in which
190 PD-NAT was 25% higher than PD-SUP were not used in statistical analyses. These
191 represented only 11 entries (out of 564) and did not significantly affect overall
192 conclusions (see Supporting Information). For every database entry, PD-SUP, PD-NAT
193 and PD-final was added to the dataset for further analyses.

194 [Statistical analyses](#)

195 A total of 166 studies contained hand pollen supplementation, natural pollination and
196 pollinator exclusion and were included in statistical analyses. To evaluate for differences
197 between PD levels after natural pollination and hand pollen supplementation

198 treatment, General Linear Mixed-Effects Models (GLMMs) were performed, using PD
199 values obtained after the two treatments, including “treatment type” as an explanatory
200 variable. To account for variation associated with crop identity, “crop” was included as
201 a random variable in all models. Similarly, “article code” was also used as a random
202 variable to remove confounding effects of within-study aspects.

203 To evaluate if PD values depended on specific aspects of the methodologies used,
204 analyses were performed using PD-final obtained in our dataset. In particular, GLMMs
205 were performed to analyse the effects of hand pollen supplementation methodology
206 and scale of the pollination experiment on PD values. Hand pollen supplementation
207 methodology included four techniques (see Table S3, ‘supplement type’). Scale included
208 four experimental scales (see Table S3, ‘scale’). Again, “crop” and “article code” were
209 used as random factors. GLMMs were performed using function “lmer” of the R package
210 “lme4” (Bates et al., 2014), with logit transformation of adjusting factor of 0.01 of the R
211 package “car” (Fox & Weisberg, 2019). Wald chi-square analyses were used to calculate
212 the effect of tested variables on PD values. We then ran post hoc pairwise comparisons
213 to test for differences within treatments of supplement type and scale, using R package
214 “emmeans” (Lenth et al., 2018). The studies on apples contributed with 33% of PD values
215 in all performed analyses (see Table S2, Crop “Apple”). To test if such a large contribution
216 influenced our conclusions, all analyses without apple's entries were reran to evaluated
217 if similar trends were observed.

218 Although PD values are presented as a continuous variable, for comparisons with
219 previous global studies, PD values obtained here were translated into the same classes
220 of PD as in Klein et al. (2007; little: 0–0.09 PD, modest: 0.10–0.39, high: 0.40–0.89,

221 essential: 0.90–1.00). 2-sample tests for equality of proportions were performed using
222 R package “stats”, to compare class distribution obtained here with those in Klein et al.
223 (2007). Differences within our results were tested by performing a 4-sample test,
224 enabling us to evaluate significant differences in the proportions among classes. All
225 analyses and graphs were obtained in R software (version 4.2.1).

226 [Pollinator dependence of animal pollinated crops – Final table](#)

227 A comprehensive final table was compiled using data collected from the 166 studies
228 used in statistical analyses. An additional set of 52 studies bearing only hand-pollen
229 supplementation or natural pollination (thus, excluded from statistical analyses) were
230 added to the final table to provide the most comprehensive list of PD values for animal
231 pollinated crops and their accessions (list of studies given in Supporting Information). In
232 these cases, PD values were calculated based solely on the available treatment.

233 Mean PD values for a crop were obtained and assembled in a complete list of available
234 crops (Table S2). Mean values were obtained using PD-final from each entry available,
235 plus PD-final of the additional studies. Treatments that contributed to mean PD values
236 (either hand pollen supplementation treatment, natural pollination, or both) are
237 indicated in the dataset. Similarly, mean PD values were obtained and assembled for all
238 the available accessions within crops (Table S3).

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243 Results

244 Natural pollination versus hand pollen supplementation

245 A total of 166 studies, corresponding to 91 individual crops, were used in statistical
246 analyses, including 549 entries with PD values (representing different crops, accessions,
247 years and experimental sites). Crops with most entry values of PD were apple, oilseed
248 rape and almond (representing 33.1%, 6.4% and 4.2% of total entries, respectively).
249 Twenty-seven crops were represented by one value of PD only.

250 PD values estimated after hand pollen supplementation-associated production were
251 significantly higher (ca. 5.7% higher on average) than using natural pollination-
252 associated production ($\chi^2 = 38.5260$, $P < 0.0001$; Fig. 2a; Table S4). In 51.5% of the
253 entries, hand pollen supplementation treatment presented higher PD values than
254 natural pollination (Figs 2b-2c). Also, for 23.9% of the entries, natural pollination and
255 hand pollen supplementation treatment presented similar PD values (Figs 2b-2c).
256 Finally, for 24.6% of the data entries, natural pollination led to higher PD values than
257 hand pollen supplementation treatment (Figs 2b-2c).

258 Methodological constraints of the hand pollen supplementation treatment

259 No significant differences were found in PD values among different pollen
260 supplementation techniques ($\chi^2 = 4.4784$, $P = 0.2142$; Fig. S1a; Table S4). However, signs
261 of resource limitation were observed, with significant differences in PD values among
262 the different scales used in pollination experiments ($\chi^2 = 10.0600$, $P = 0.0181$; Table S4
263 and S5). Despite significant P -value, no significant differences were observed among
264 scales in post hoc tests (Fig. S1b; Table S6). Similar results were obtained when rerunning
265 analyses without apple studies (Tables S7-S9).

266 Crop pollinator dependence values – an updated list

267 Mean PD values are provided for 119 animal pollinated crops, including data for 35 crops
268 not listed previously or with no data in former global assessments (list of taxa with PD
269 estimated values given in Supporting Information) (Table S2). Information on specific PD
270 values of crop accessions (including cultivars, varieties and other infraspecific taxonomic
271 levels) is provided for 86 crops, comprising 290 individual crop accessions (Table S3).

272 The mean value of PD (PD-final) across all crops of the list was 0.66 ± 0.29 (mean \pm SD).
273 Values varied, as expected, from no pollinator dependence (value of 0) to complete
274 pollinator dependence (value of 1); however, a concentration of values around 1 was
275 observed, with 79.8% of the crops having high PD values (i.e. $PD \geq 0.40$) (Fig. 3a).

276 When considering the classes defined by Klein et al. (2007), significant differences in
277 proportion of crops were observed among classes of PD ($\chi^2 = 77.3890$, $P < 0.0001$).
278 Compared with Klein et al. (2007), we observed evident changes in crop distribution (Fig.
279 4b). A significant increase in the proportion of crops where pollination needs are
280 classified as “high” ($\chi^2 = 7.0277$, $P = 0.0080$) and “essential” ($\chi^2 = 5.4494$, $P = 0.0196$) was
281 observed, with both categories having, in our study, more than the double of crops when
282 compared with Klein et al. (2007) (Fig. 3b), representing 51.7% and 28.5% of the crops,
283 respectively. The proportion of crops where pollination needs were classified as “little”
284 ($\chi^2 = 19.112$, $P < 0.0001$) and “modest” ($\chi^2 = 4.2276$, $P = 0.0398$) decreased significantly
285 in comparison with Klein et al. (2007), representing 3.5% and 16.4% of the crops,
286 respectively (Table S10).

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289 Discussion

290 Crop pollinator dependence values – an updated list

291 This study provides a new compilation of pollinator dependence (PD) values for animal
292 pollinated crops. Compared with previous approaches, the list comprises, for the first
293 time, continuous PD values for 119 worldwide crops, including 290 crop accessions,
294 estimates for 35 crops not listed previously and detailed data for several crops that
295 were once merged in large groups. As examples of the latter, we considered *Citrus*
296 species individually while previously they were grouped as "citrus"; also, *Phaseolus*
297 *vulgaris* (common bean) and *Phaseolus coccineus* (runner bean) that were previously
298 grouped under "beans" were now regarded as individual species. By providing PD
299 values discriminated for individual crop species and their accessions, our study
300 contributes with vital and, until now, neglected information.

301 For several crop species, PD values given here differ from previous global assessments
302 (Klein et al., 2007), with many crops having higher PD values than previously. This has
303 resulted in an increased number of crops classified as having "high" or "essential" PD,
304 from 47% (43 out of 91 animal pollinated crops, Klein et al. 2007) to 80% of the animal
305 pollinated crops (95 out of 119 crops). These differences are mainly explained by the
306 fact that we used hand pollen supplementation instead of natural pollination (primary
307 treatment used in previous estimates) to obtain final PD value. As hand pollen
308 supplementation accounts for effects of pollen limitation (PL), it provides more
309 accurate measures of PD. Once PD estimations are usually based on natural levels of
310 pollination, previous studies and compilations are substantially underestimating animal
311 pollinator's importance for crop production.

312 The large variability of PD values observed here within crops was expected since the
313 degree of selfing ability and self-compatibility is known to vary among accessions of
314 crops (e.g. sunflower, Carvalheiro et al., 2011, oilseed rape, Hudewenz et al., 2014).
315 Knowledge on pollination requirements of crops' accessions is crucial for suitable
316 management decisions (Hudewenz et al., 2014). For example, in impoverished
317 locations, when pollinator communities are insufficient to provide the needed
318 pollination services to a crop, selecting accessions less dependent on pollinator
319 communities may be a suitable solution to ameliorate production losses. Unfortunately,
320 29% of the studies analysed here did not provide information about crop accessions (or
321 any other infraspecific taxonomic level, such as cultivar, variety, forma or clone),
322 hindering the compilation of precise data. Considering the importance of this
323 information (Hudewenz et al., 2014), we recommend that future works should always
324 provide information and data for each accession of the crop under study.

325 The “optimal pollination level” from the plant perspective (i.e. plant fitness) differs from
326 that of farmers perspective (i.e. agronomic and economic yield). To follow farmers'
327 perspective, PD value was calculated using different production variables, depending
328 on the part of the crop economically used (fruit or seed). Likewise, quantity (e.g. fruit
329 set) and quality (e.g. fruit weight) production traits were used to calculate PD values, to
330 accurately account for the impact of animal pollination at both levels. Studies on PD
331 often focus on quantitative variables, with mixed responses between these and
332 qualitative variables (e.g. Bartomeus et al. 2014; Stein et al. 2017). Here, however, only
333 30% of the dataset entries presented quantity and quality variables. Hence, we
334 recommend that future experiments evaluate production variables related to both
335 levels.

336 Natural pollination vs. hand pollen supplementation to calculate PD values

337 Hand pollen supplementation led to higher PD values than natural pollination in 51.5%
338 of datapoints that had information in both treatments. These results are consistent with
339 our predictions and indicate that PL is common, reducing yield level and, consequently,
340 underestimating potential pollinator's contribution. Therefore, in locations where
341 pollination services are inadequate and/or impoverished, such as landscapes of poor
342 quality due to high levels of fragmentation and/or simplification (Aizen & Feinsinger,
343 2003, Nicholson et al., 2017), hand pollen supplementation is a more suitable treatment
344 to achieve optimal crop yield and obtain an accurate estimate of PD value. However,
345 despite the importance of accurate PD estimates to value pollinator's contribution to
346 production systems, and even though hand pollen supplementation is widely used to
347 study pollen limitation in wild plants (e.g. Bennett et al., 2018; Castro et al., 2015; Knight
348 et al., 2005), in crops, its use for the calculation of PD has been rare (but see Bishop &
349 Nakagawa, 2021; Garibaldi et al., 2011; Garratt et al., 2021). Therefore, based on the
350 results obtained here, we recommend that hand pollen supplementation is included in
351 pollination experiments that aim to assess the contribution of animal pollination to
352 crops. A complete experimental design for such purposes is provided below and in Box
353 1.

354 Methodological guidelines for hand pollen supplementations

355 When performing hand pollen supplementations, assuring efficiency is critical (see Box
356 1). However, in plant families with complex flower structures or with flowers sensitive
357 to manipulation, this can be challenging to achieve. In such cases, animal pollinators may
358 perform better at pollinating than hand pollen supplementation by humans since
359 animals are adapted to exploit floral resources. Thus, the fact that hand pollen

360 supplementation produced lower production values in 24.6% of the data points
361 compared with natural pollination is not entirely unexpected. It is possible that in these
362 studies, the supplementation of pollen was not ideal or that over-pollination led to
363 reduced yield. Indeed, technical approaches used in hand pollen supplementation, such
364 as type of supplementation, scale at which pollination experiments are done and pollen
365 source, are known to affect yield in certain crops (e.g. Webber et al., 2020).

366 Emasculation of flowers prior to hand pollen supplementation and bagging plants after
367 hand pollination are practices often performed on pollination experiments to exclude
368 production associated with self-pollination and/or avoid undesirable external pollen,
369 respectively (e.g. Chacoff & Aizen, 2007; Kendall et al., 2020). Here, no significant
370 differences were obtained between standard hand pollen supplementation and
371 supplementation with some of the techniques detailed above, indicating that
372 supplementations with these methodological approaches provide reliable estimates of
373 PD or, at least, estimates comparable to hand pollinations.

374 PD values are expected to be higher when pollination treatments are performed at
375 smaller scales (e.g. flower level) than at higher ones (e.g. plant level), as resources for
376 fruit development in a plant are usually limited and will be preferentially (re)allocated
377 to fruits with higher pollination quality (Webber et al., 2020). Although no significant
378 differences were observed among different scales, higher PD values were obtained in
379 experiments that used flower as a scale, with marginal p -values obtained when
380 comparing flower vs. plant scales and flower vs. inflorescence scales ($P = 0.0646$ and $P =$
381 0.0639 , respectively). Therefore, despite lack of a scale effect in analyses, future

382 pollination experiments should be performed at the largest scale possible, avoiding
383 using individual flowers as scale measurements.

384 Hand pollen supplementation should be included in crop pollination experiments as it
385 accounts for PL, providing a more accurate method to calculate PD values and assess
386 total pollinator's contribution to crop production. Yet, it should be bear in mind that the
387 inclusion of hand pollen supplementation increases the time and complexity of crop
388 pollination experiments, particularly in mass flowering or self-pruning crops (where
389 sample size needs to be significantly increased to compensate for self-pruning losses) or
390 in plants with complex and sensible flower structures (where hand pollen
391 supplementation of flowers requires more time). Therefore, when designing a
392 pollination experiment for a given crop, all factors linked with crop reproductive traits
393 should be considered (Young & Young, 1992), acknowledging the limitations and
394 advantages of selected treatments (see Box 1).

395 Conclusions

396 Our results highlight the importance of recognizing that the commonly applied method
397 of assessing PD (comparing fruit set in plants exposed vs isolated from pollinators) can
398 lead to an underestimation of PD values. Given that most published studies on
399 pollinator's contribution to crops use PD values obtained through methodologies that
400 did not account for pollen limitation, it is probable that pollinator's contribution to
401 crops' local and global production (e.g. Klein et al., 2007), international trade markets
402 (e.g. Silva et al. 2021), and economic value of pollinators (e.g. Gallai et al., 2009;
403 Gianinni, 2015) are substantially undervalued. As a quantitative evaluation, this study
404 brings significant input for future assessments of the economic value of pollination in
405 crops.

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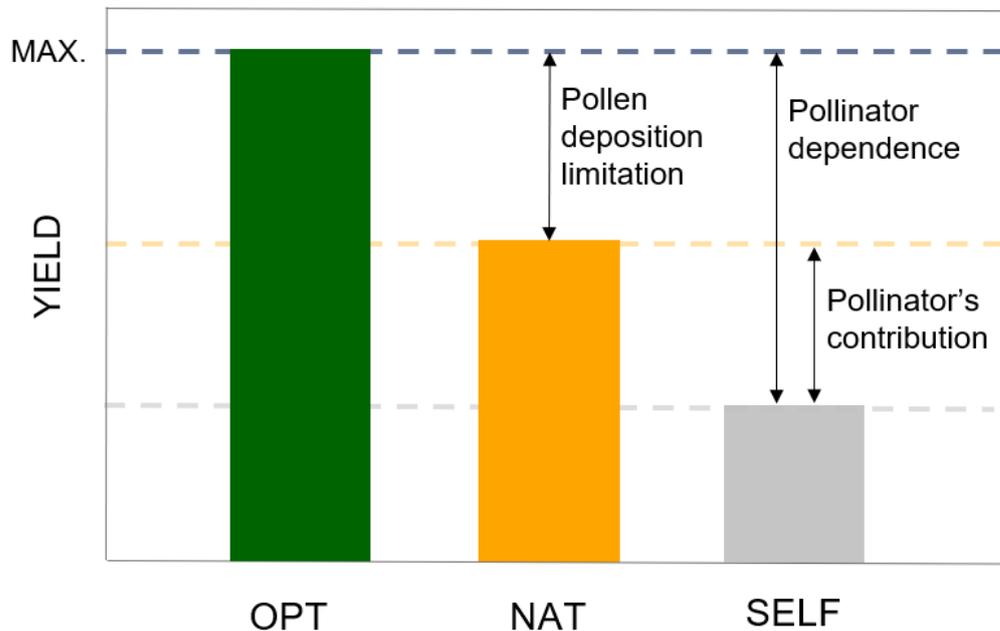
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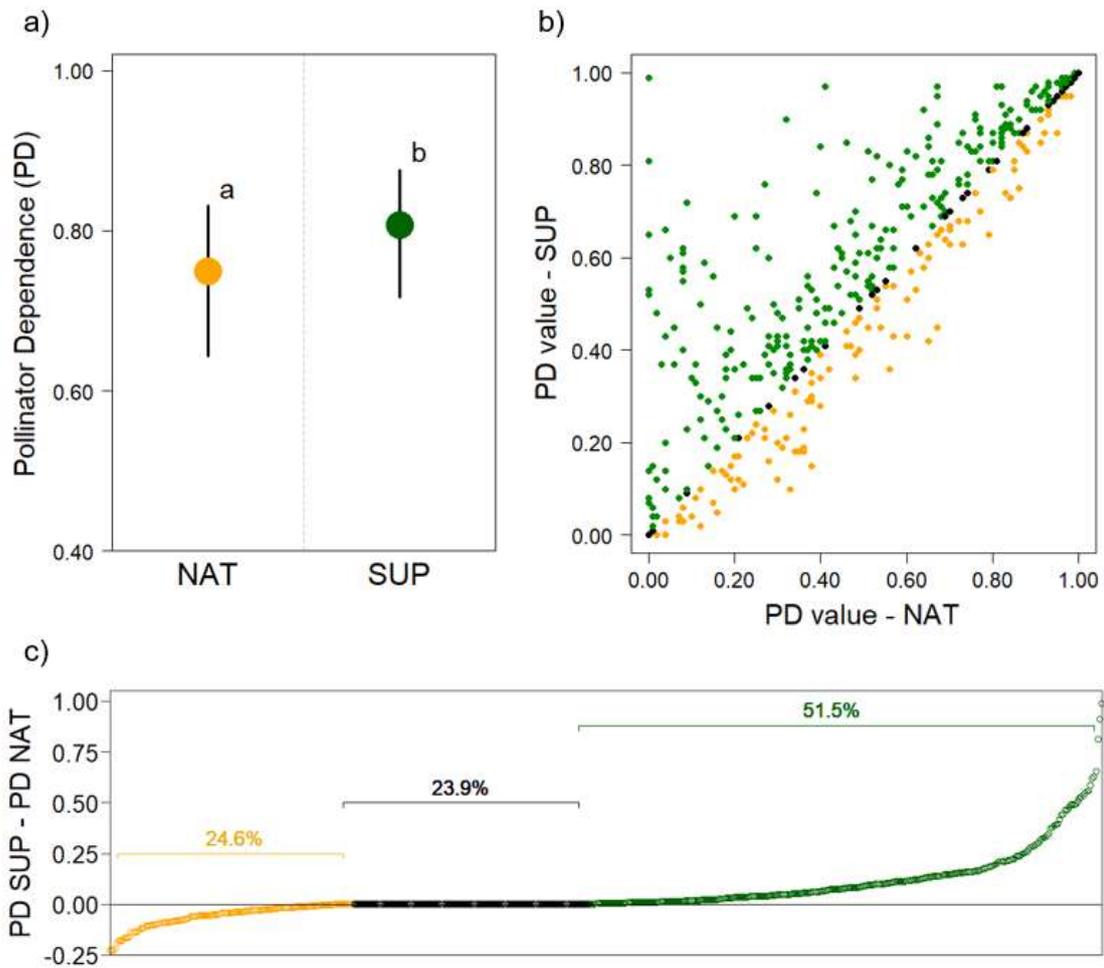
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605 Figure 1. Theoretical representation of pollination components associated with yield in
 606 pollinator-dependent crops: optimal pollination levels for local study conditions (OPT),
 607 natural levels of pollination (NAT), and autonomous self-pollination levels (SELF).
 608 Associated indexes are also presented: (1) **pollen deposition limitation**, yield loss
 609 associated with limited pollen deposition levels; (2) **pollinator dependence**, yield
 610 directly dependent on pollinators (for simplification, here we considered a crop with
 611 negligible wind contribution for pollination) and (3) **pollinator's contribution**, yield
 612 associated with existing pollination services. See Box 1 for methodologies associated
 613 with estimations of each component and index.

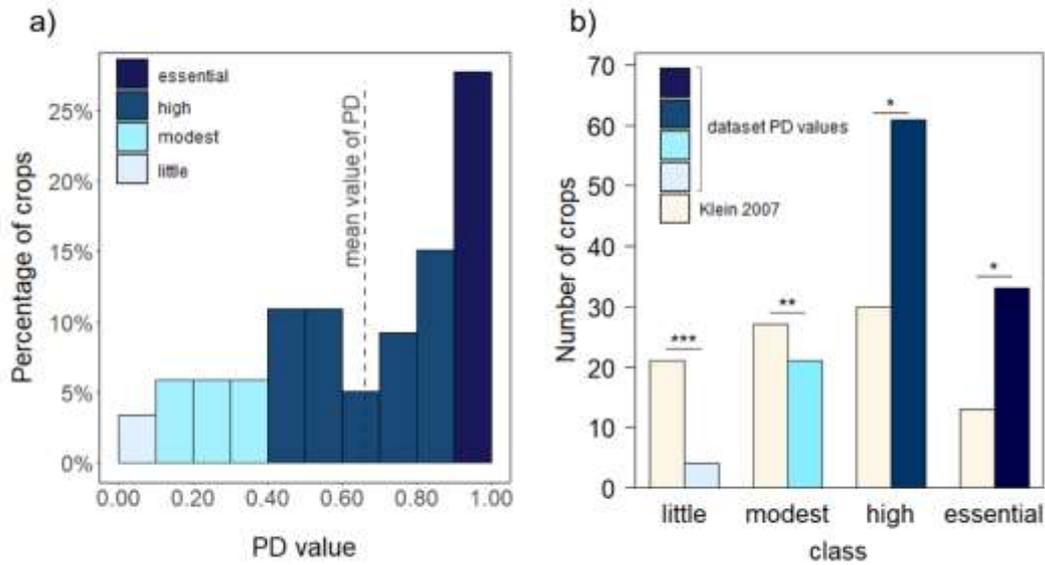


614 Figure 2 a) Estimated means and 95% confidence interval values for pollinator
 615 dependence (PD) estimates obtained with natural pollination (NAT) and hand pollen
 616 supplementation (SUP) treatment ($\chi^2 = 38.5260$, $P < 0.0001$). Different letters indicate
 617 significant differences at $P < 0.05$. b) Scatterplot of PD values obtained through hand-
 618 supplementation treatment (SUP, y-axis) in relation to that obtained through natural
 619 pollination (NAT, x-axis); PD values in which PD-SUP > PD-NAT are represented as green
 620 dots, when PD-SUP < PD-NAT are represented as yellow dots and when PD-SUP = PD-
 621 NAT are represented as black dots. c) Difference between PD value from hand pollen
 622 supplementation and natural treatment (PD-SUP – PD-NAT) for each given entry; values
 623 range from -0.25 to 1.00 (differences lower than -0.25 were considered to result from
 624 methodological errors); negative differences, where PD-NAT was the highest value, are

625 represented as yellow dots; values where PD-SUP = PD-NAT are represented by black

626 dots; positive values, where PD-SUP was the highest value, are represented as green dot

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628 Figure 3. a) Percentage of crops along PD values (interval range of 0.10). Final PD was
 629 used for each crop (values given in Table S2). Overall mean PD is indicated through a
 630 dashed line. Different colour bars represent classes as defined by Klein et al. (2007); b)
 631 Number of crops on each PD class: “little” (PD values between 0-0.09), “modest” (0.10-
 632 0.39), “high” (0.40-0.89) and “essential” (0.90-1.00). Beige bars represent distribution of
 633 crops among classes of Klein et al. (2007), and different blue bars represent crops’
 634 distribution in this study. Significant differences between current and Klein et al. (2007)
 635 for each PD class represented as *** for $P < 0.001$, ** for $0.001 < P < 0.01$ and * for 0.01
 636 $< P < 0.05$. Classes “no increase” and “unknown” in Klein et al. (2007) were excluded for
 637 the comparisons.

638 **Box 1: Guidelines for pollination experiments when studying animal**
639 **pollination contribution.**

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An experimental design should include the following treatments:

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a) **pollinator exclusion:** a bagged treatment, without biotic visits. In crops also pollinated by wind, the experimental design should also evaluate its contribution using two bagging treatments, one using a mesh fabric that allows wind contribution, excluding only biotic interactions, and another using a mesh that restrains pollen movement by both wind and biotic agents. Wind contribution is given by the difference between the two bagged treatments.

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b) **natural pollination:** a treatment without any manipulation of the reproductive units where flowers are naturally pollinated.

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c) **optimal pollination** (or pollen supplementation): a treatment where flowers are naturally pollinated and to which a hand pollen supplementation is provided. Pollen applications should be performed once or multiple times, depending on the crop's requirements. The use of compatible pollen is crucial, and several sources of compatible pollen should be applied.

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Additional notes:

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- Bigger scales are preferred (i.e. branch or plant scales).
- Hand pollen supplementations without additional treatments, as bagging or emasculation, are advised but, if additional treatments are essential for the experiment, they can be considered.
- All relevant details should be provided (e.g. studied accessions), additionally to details surrounding agricultural management (e.g. application of reproductive hormones, presence of managed pollinators).

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Table S2. Pollinator dependence values of crops. The overall mean, standard error (SE), minimum (min) and maximum (max) values of pollinator dependence are provided, along with the number of accessions with information and the number of entries for each crop. NA denotes no available information.

Species	Crop common name	Number of accessions with information	Pollinator dependence value				Number of entries
			mean	SE	min	max	
<i>Abelmoschus esculentus</i>	Okra	2	0.14	0.08	0.00	0.36	4
<i>Acca sellowiana</i>	Feijoa	7	0.95	0.03	0.79	1.00	7
<i>Actinidia chinensis</i>	Golden kiwifruit	3	0.73	0.11	0.47	0.94	4
<i>Actinidia chinensis var. deliciosa</i>	Kiwifruit	7	0.59	0.09	0.10	1.00	14
<i>Anacardium occidentale</i>	Cashew	2	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	4
<i>Annona cherimola</i>	Cherimoya	1	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Annona crassiflora</i>	Marolo	NA	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Annona squamosa</i>	Sugar apple	NA	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Annona spp.*</i>	Custard apple	1	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	5
<i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i>	Jackfruit	2	0.84	0.05	0.79	0.88	2
<i>Asimina parviflora</i>	Pawpaw	NA	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Averrhoa carambola</i>	Carambola	1	0.93	NA	0.93	0.93	1
<i>Bertholletia excelsa</i>	Brazil nut	NA	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Bixa orellana</i>	Annatto	NA	0.98	NA	0.98	0.98	1
<i>Brassica juncea</i>	Mustard seed	NA	0.40	0.03	0.34	0.48	4
<i>Brassica napus</i>	Oilseed rape	8	0.27	0.03	0.00	0.69	35
<i>Brassica rapa</i>	Canola	2	0.39	0.04	0.30	0.51	4
<i>Cajanus cajan</i>	Pigeon pea	NA	0.17	0.01	0.15	0.19	6

<i>Camellia oleifera</i>	Camellia	NA	0.87	0.04	0.81	0.94	3
<i>Capparis spinosa</i>	Caper	NA	0.83	NA	0.83	0.83	1
<i>Capsicum annum</i>	Chilli	2	0.48	0.07	0.10	0.93	14
<i>Capsicum chinense</i>	Habanero pepper	1	0.85	NA	0.85	0.85	1
<i>Carica papaya</i>	Papaya	1	0.91	NA	0.91	0.91	1
<i>Carthamus tinctorius</i>	Safflower	NA	0.58	NA	0.58	0.58	1
<i>Carum carvi</i>	Caraway seed	NA	0.20	NA	0.20	0.20	1
<i>Castanea crenata</i>	Japanese chestnut	2	0.77	0.09	0.59	0.86	3
<i>Castanea mollissima</i>	Chinese chestnut	1	0.06	0.03	0.02	0.12	3
<i>Castanea sativa</i>	European chestnut	6	0.35	0.07	0.04	0.63	8
<i>Castanea sativa</i> × <i>C. crenata</i>	Chestnut	7	0.76	0.05	0.55	0.94	10
<i>Cicer arietinum</i>	Chickpea	1	0.27	NA	0.27	0.27	1
<i>Citrullus lanatus</i>	Watermelon	2	0.90	0.05	0.84	1.00	3
<i>Citrus clementina</i>	Clementine	3	0.82	0.07	0.67	1.00	5
<i>Citrus limon</i>	Lemon	NA	0.80	NA	0.80	0.80	1
<i>Citrus paradisi</i>	Grapefruit	5	0.67	0.04	0.53	1.00	14
<i>C. paradisi</i> × <i>C. reticulata</i>	Tangelo	2	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Citrus reticulata</i>	Mandarin, tangerine	2	0.67	0.34	0.33	1.00	2
<i>Citrus sinensis</i>	Orange	4	0.19	0.04	0.06	0.31	7
<i>Coffea arabica</i>	Arabic coffee	2	0.31	0.05	0.21	0.37	3
<i>Coffea canephora</i>	Coffee	NA	0.63	0.32	0.00	1.00	3
<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>	Coriander	1	0.47	0.33	0.14	0.80	2

<i>Cucumis melo</i>	Melon	2	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	4
<i>Cucumis sativus</i>	Cucumber	2	0.56	0.10	0.26	0.81	5
<i>Cucurbita moschata</i>	Gourd	2	0.90	0.08	0.70	1.00	3
<i>Cucurbita pepo</i>	Squash	4	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	5
<i>Cucurbita pepo</i>	Courgette	NA	0.31	0.06	0.21	0.40	1
<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>	Cumin	1	0.29	NA	0.29	0.29	1
<i>Dimocarpus longan</i>	Longan	NA	0.50	NA	0.50	0.50	1
<i>Diospyros kaki</i>	Persimmon	4	0.60	0.10	0.21	1.00	9
<i>Durio zibethinus</i>	Durian	1	0.92	0.09	0.83	1.00	2
<i>Elaeis guineensis</i>	Oil palm	NA	0.81	NA	0.81	0.81	1
<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i>	Cardamom	2	0.99	0.02	0.97	1.00	2
<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Loquat	1	0.75	0.02	0.73	0.76	2
<i>Euterpe oleracea</i>	Açaí	NA	0.84	NA	0.84	0.84	1
<i>Ficus carica</i>	Fig	1	0.32	NA	0.32	0.32	1
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Fennel	1	0.87	NA	0.87	0.87	1
<i>Fragaria × ananassa</i>	Strawberry	2	0.54	0.09	0.42	0.74	3
<i>Glycine max</i>	Soybean	4	0.19	0.06	0.00	0.37	5
<i>Gossypium hirsutum</i>	Cottonseed	2	0.20	0.05	0.07	0.37	6
<i>Helianthus annuus</i>	Sunflower	7	0.54	0.09	0.08	0.93	8
<i>Jatropha curcas</i>	Jatrofa	NA	0.58	0.07	0.19	0.87	8
<i>Linum usitatissimum</i>	Linseed	1	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.04	2
<i>Litchi chinensis</i>	Lychee	9	0.80	0.08	0.14	1.00	15

<i>Lonicera caerulea</i>	Honeysuckle	2	0.64	0.02	0.62	0.65	2
<i>Luffa acutangula</i>	Chinese okra	2	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Luffa aegyptiaca</i>	Smooth gourd	4	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	4
<i>Macadamia</i> spp.***	Macadamia	2	0.66	0.23	0.07	1.00	8
<i>Macadamia integrifolia</i>	Macadamia	2	0.80	0.11	0.56	1.00	4
<i>Malpighia emarginata</i>	Acerola cherry	3	0.86	0.07	0.66	1.00	5
<i>Malus domestica</i>	Apple	25	0.73	0.02	0.02	1.00	182
<i>Mangifera indica</i>	Mango	2	0.71	0.18	0.53	0.88	2
<i>Manilkara zapota</i>	Sapodilla	1	0.90	NA	0.90	0.90	1
<i>Momordica charantia</i>	Bitter melon	2	0.95	0.05	0.68	1.00	7
<i>Nephelium lappaceum</i>	Rambutan	1	0.54	0.02	0.52	0.56	2
<i>Nigella sativa</i>	Black cumin	NA	0.47	0.01	0.46	0.47	2
<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>	Cactus pear	1	0.41	0.07	0.17	0.57	5
<i>Paeonia ostii</i>	Peony	1	0.52	NA	0.52	0.52	1
<i>Papaver somniferum</i>	Poppy seed	NA	0.41	NA	0.41	0.41	1
<i>Passiflora edulis</i>	Passion fruit	NA	1.00	0.00	0.97	1.00	8
<i>Passiflora ligularis</i>	Granadilla	NA	0.99	NA	0.99	0.99	1
<i>Persea americana</i>	Avocado	1	0.86	NA	0.86	0.86	1
<i>Phaseolus coccineus</i>	Runner bean	4	0.78	0.08	0.44	1.00	8
<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>	Bean	3	0.19	0.11	0.00	0.37	2
<i>Physalis angulata</i>	Camapu	NA	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Physalis peruviana</i>	Goldenberry	NA	0.34	0.02	0.32	0.35	2

<i>Pimpinella anisum</i>	Anise	NA	0.45	0.02	0.43	0.47	2
<i>Polaskia chichipe</i>	Chichituna	NA	0.67	NA	0.67	0.67	1
<i>Prunus armeniaca</i>	Apricot	1	0.95	0.04	0.87	1.00	3
<i>Prunus avium</i>	Sweet cherry	1	0.82	0.17	0.49	1.00	3
<i>Prunus cerasus</i>	Sour cherry	5	0.75	0.06	0.36	0.97	9
<i>Prunus dulcis</i>	Almond	13	0.86	0.03	0.38	1.00	23
<i>Prunus persica</i>	Peach, nectarine	43	0.37	0.03	0.08	0.73	43
<i>Psidium guajava</i>	Guava	1	0.08	NA	0.08	0.08	1
<i>Punica granatum</i>	Pomegranate	3	0.40	0.02	0.37	0.44	3
<i>Pyrus communis</i>	Pear	6	0.74	0.10	0.15	1.00	8
<i>Ribes rubrum</i>	Currant	1	0.42	NA	0.42	0.42	1
<i>Ribes uva-crispa</i>	Gooseberry	5	0.45	0.06	0.27	0.65	7
<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Castor bean	NA	0.81	NA	0.81	0.81	1
<i>Rubus fruticosus</i>	Blackberry	2	0.45	0.06	0.39	0.51	2
<i>Rubus idaeus</i>	Raspberry	5	0.55	0.07	0.07	0.70	8
<i>Selenicereus undatus</i>	White-fleshed pitaya	1	0.22	NA	0.22	0.22	1
<i>Selenicereus</i> spp.**	Red-peel pitaya	3	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	3
<i>Sesamum indicum</i>	Sesame seed	2	0.25	0.24	0.01	0.49	2
<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>	Tomato	2	0.40	0.12	0.28	0.52	2
<i>Solanum melongena</i>	Eggplant	3	0.83	0.04	0.74	1.00	8
<i>Spondias mombin</i>	Hog plum	1	0.78	NA	0.78	0.78	1
<i>Theobroma cacao</i>	Cocoa	NA	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1

<i>Trichosanthes cucumerina</i>	Snake gourd	3	0.91	0.06	0.73	1.00	4
<i>Trichosanthes dioica</i>	Pointed gourd	1	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Trifolium alexandrinum</i>	Berseem	NA	0.24	0.04	0.20	0.27	2
<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>	Highbush blueberry	6	0.53	0.04	0.28	0.92	20
<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>	Cranberry	1	0.58	NA	0.58	0.58	1
<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>	Bilberry	NA	0.93	NA	0.93	0.93	1
<i>Vaccinium virgatum</i>	Rabbit-eye blueberry	NA	0.79	0.11	0.60	1.00	4
<i>Vaccinium vitis-idaea</i>	Linganberry	NA	0.88	NA	0.88	0.88	1
<i>Vanilla planifolia</i> [†]	Vanilla	NA	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Vicia faba</i>	Broad bean	1	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.08	2
<i>Vigna unguiculata</i>	Cowpea	2	0.22	0.11	0.04	0.42	3
<i>Vitellaria paradoxa</i>	Karite nut	1	0.54	0.20	0.08	1.00	6
<i>Ziziphus jujuba</i>	Jujube	NA	0.97	NA	0.97	0.97	1

Notes: Our study extends the existing data; however, because we only used studies with pollination experiments, some species previously reported and for which we could not find relevant publications may be missing from our list.

**Annona* spp. includes *Annona* hybrids (e.g. *Annona squamosa* × *Annona cherimola*)

** *Selenicereus* spp. was not always given at the species level by included studies. Difficulties in separating species and accessions are present due to high intra- and/or inter-specific hybridization. Here, we considered two crops: *Hylocereus* spp. (including red-peel pitayas) and *Hylocereus undatus* (white-peel pitaya).

****Macadamia* spp. is adopted for studies in which species level was not given, or hybrids were studied.

[†]*Vanilla planifolia* was included in this list, although a complete pollination experiment was not found in the literature (due to the lack of a pollinator exclusion treatment). Once vanilla species possess a rostellum membrane that physically divides female and male flower structures, self-pollination is prevented (Rodolphe et al. 2011), and the crop depends entirely on pollinators.

Rodolphe, G., Séverine, B., Michel, G., & Pascale, B. (2011). Biodiversity and evolution in the Vanilla genus. In: *The dynamical processes of biodiversity-case studies of evolution and spatial distribution*, 1-27.

Table S3. Pollinator dependence values of accessions for each species/crop. The mean, standard error (SE), minimum (min) and maximum (max) values of pollinator dependence, along with the total number of entries for each included accession (i.e. cultivar, variety, and other infraspecific taxonomic levels), are provided. NA denotes no available information.

Species	Crop	Pollinator dependence value				Number of entries	
		Plant genotype	mean	SE	min		max
<i>Abelmoschus esculentus</i>	Okra						
		var. <i>Clemson spineless</i>	0.10	0.02	0.07	0.12	2
		var. <i>Shakthi</i>	0.36	NA	0.36	0.36	1
<i>Acca sellowiana</i>	Feijoa						
		clone "51"	0.79	NA	0.79	0.79	1
		clone "101"	1	NA	1	1	1
		clone "453 N.2"	1	NA	1	1	1
		clone "454 N.2"	1	NA	1	1	1
		clone "456 N.2"	1	NA	1	1	1
		clone "457 N.2"	1	NA	1	1	1
clone "458 N.2"	0.84	NA	0.84	0.84	1		
<i>Actinidia chinensis</i>	Golden Kiwifruit						
		cv. "Golden Sunshine"	0.62	NA	0.62	0.62	1
		cv. "Gulf Coast Gold"	0.87	NA	0.87	0.87	1
cv. "Haegeum"	0.94	NA	0.94	0.94	1		
<i>Actinidia chinensis</i> var. <i>deliciosa</i>	Kiwifruit						
		cv. "Allison"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
		cv. "BoErica"	0.61	NA	0.61	0.61	1
		cv. "Bruno"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
		cv. "Early Green"	0.25	NA	0.25	0.25	1
		cv. "Hayward"	0.50	0.11	0.10	1.00	8
		cv. "Monty"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
cv. "Tsechelidis"	0.41	NA	0.41	0.41	1		
<i>Anacardium occidentale</i>	Cashew						
		cv. "CCP 1001"	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
		cv. "CCP76"	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Annona</i> sp.	Custard Apple						
		cv. "Hillary White"	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	5
<i>Annona cherimola</i>	Cherimoya						

	cv. "Big Sister"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i>	Jackfruit					
	cv. "Chee"	0.79	NA	0.79	0.79	1
	cv. "Dang Rasimi"	0.88	NA	0.88	0.88	1
<i>Averrhoa carambola</i>	Carambola					
	cv. "Mih Tao"	0.93	NA	0.93	0.93	1
<i>Brassica napus</i>	Oilseed rape					
	cv. "CTC-4"	0.16	NA	0.16	0.16	1
	cv. "DK Exquisite"	0.12	NA	0.12	0.12	1
	cv. "Hyola 420"	0.20	NA	0.20	0.20	1
	cv. "Hyola 61"	0.42	0.21	0.21	0.62	2
	cv. "Sherlock"	0.24	NA	0.24	0.24	1
	cv. "Traviata"	0.25	NA	0.25	0.25	1
	cv. "Treffer"	0.42	NA	0.42	0.42	1
	cv. "Visby"	0.36	NA	0.36	0.36	1
<i>Brassica rapa</i>	Canola					
	cv. "Arlo"	0.38	NA	0.38	0.38	1
	cv. "Pragati"	0.37	NA	0.37	0.37	1
<i>Capsicum annuum</i>	Chilli					
	cv. "All Big"	0.10	NA	0.10	0.10	1
	var. <i>Samn</i>	0.4	NA	0.4	0.4	1
<i>Capsicum chinense</i>	Habanero pepper					
	cv. "Habanero"	0.85	NA	0.85	0.85	1
<i>Carica papaya</i>	Papaya					
	cv. "Maradol"	0.91	NA	0.91	0.91	1
<i>Castanea crenata</i>	Japanese chestnut					
	cv. "Ishizuki"	0.73	0.14	0.59	0.86	2
	cv. "Tsukuba"	0.85	NA	0.85	0.85	1
<i>Castanea mollissima</i>	Chinese chestnut					
	cv. "Zaodali"	0.06	0.03	0.02	0.12	3
<i>Castanea sativa</i>	European chestnut					
	cv. "Judia"	0.40	NA	0.40	0.40	1
	cv. "Longal"	0.19	0.15	0.04	0.34	2
	cv. "Marillac"	0.63	NA	0.63	0.63	1
	cv. "Marrone di Lusern"	0.39	NA	0.39	0.39	1
	cv. "Martainha"	0.45	0.04	0.41	0.49	2

	cv. "Verdeal"	0.08	NA	0.08	0.08	1
<i>Castanea sativa</i> × <i>C. crenata</i>	Chestnut					
	cv. "Bellefer"	0.72	NA	0.72	0.72	1
	cv. "Betizac"	0.86	NA	0.86	0.86	1
	cv. "Florifer"	0.55	NA	0.55	0.55	1
	cv. "Maraval"	0.60	NA	0.60	0.60	1
	cv. "Marigoule"	0.85	0.07	0.64	0.94	4
	cv. "OG19"	0.64	NA	0.64	0.64	1
	cv. "Vignols"	0.79	NA	0.79	0.79	1
<i>Cicer arietinum</i>	Chickpea					
	cv. "Desi"	0.27	NA	0.27	0.27	1
<i>Citrullus lanatus</i>	Watermelon					
	cv. "Malali"	0.87	NA	0.87	0.87	1
	cv. "Samara F1"	0.84	NA	0.84	0.84	1
<i>Citrus clementina</i>	Clementine					
	cv. "Afourer"	0.67	NA	0.67	0.67	1
	cv. "Fi Sodea"	0.97	NA	0.97	0.97	1
	cv. "Nules"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Citrus paradisi</i>	Grapefruit					
	cv. "Franks"	0.95	NA	0.95	0.95	1
	cv. "Mcgain"s"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Minneola"	0.58	0.01	0.53	0.62	11
	cv. "Rio Red"	0.94	NA	0.94	0.94	1
	cv. "Rouge la Toma"	0.79	NA	0.79	0.79	1
<i>C. paradisi</i> × <i>C. reticulata</i>	Tangelo					
	cv. "Lee"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Nova"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Citrus reticulata</i>	Mandarin, tangerine					
	cv. "Criolla"	0.33	NA	0.33	0.33	1
	cv. "Fairchild"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Citrus sinensis</i>	Orange					
	cv. "Early Gold"	0.15	0.05	0.09	0.20	2
	var. "Pera ro"	0.06	NA	0.06	0.06	1
	cv. "Rhod-e-Red"	0.21	0.07	0.14	0.28	2
	cv. "Trovia"	0.30	0.02	0.28	0.31	2
<i>Coffea arabica</i>	Arabic Coffee					

	cv. "Maragogipe"	0.21	NA	0.21	0.21	1
	cv. "Mundo Novo"	0.37	NA	0.37	0.37	1
<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>	Coriander					
	cv. "Waltahi"	0.14	NA	0.14	0.14	1
<i>Cucumis melo</i>	Melon					
	var. <i>agrestis</i>	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
	cv. "HM-43"	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Cucumis sativus</i>	Cucumber					
	var. <i>Ashley</i>	0.52	0.10	0.42	0.62	2
	cv. "Swam Ageti"	0.81	NA	0.81	0.81	1
<i>Cucurbita moschata</i>	Gourd					
	var. <i>Jacarezinho</i>	1.00	NA			1
	cv. "Meni Brasileira"	1.00	NA			1
<i>Cucurbita pepo</i>	Squash					
	cv. "Chamatkar"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Chandra"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Gold Queen"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Parikrama"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Cucurbita pepo</i>	Courgette					
	var. <i>Tosca</i>	0.31	0.06	0.21	0.4	2
<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>	Cumin					
	var. <i>GC-4</i>	0.29	NA	0.29	0.29	1
<i>Diospyros kaki</i>	Persimmon					
	cv. "Fuyu"	0.42	0.05	0.21	0.56	5
	cv. "Giant Fuyu"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "O" Gosho"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Tabebashi"	0.39	NA	0.39	0.39	1
<i>Durio zibethinus</i>	Durian					
	cv. "Monthong"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i>	Cardamom					
	cv. "Malabar"	0.97	NA	0.97	0.97	1
	cv. "Njellani"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Loquat					
	cv. "Akko13"	0.75	0.02	0.73	0.76	2
<i>Ficus carica</i>	Fig					
	var. <i>Nabout</i>	0.32	NA	0.32	0.32	1

<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Fennel					
	var. <i>Jupiter</i>	0.87	NA	0.87	0.87	1
<i>Fragaria × ananassa</i>	Strawberry					
	cv. "Honeoye"	0.42	NA	0.42	0.42	1
	var. <i>Jewel</i>	0.60	0.11	0.49	0.71	2
<i>Glycine max</i>	Soybean					
	var. <i>BRS-113</i>	0.37	NA	0.37	0.37	1
	cv. "BRS Carnaúba"	0.06	NA	0.06	0.06	1
	var. <i>IRAT 278</i>	0.27	0.01	0.26	0.28	2
	var. <i>Nidera A 4990 RG</i>	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.15	2
<i>Gossypium hirsutum</i>	Cottonseed					
	cv. "CNPA-7MH"	0.27	NA	0.27	0.27	1
	var. <i>FK37</i>	0.37	NA	0.37	0.37	1
<i>Helianthus annuus</i>	Sunflower					
	clone NDSH-1	0.53	NA	0.53	0.53	1
	cv. "5009"	0.48	NA	0.48	0.48	1
	cv. "9530"	0.08	NA	0.08	0.08	1
	cv. "9592"	0.54	NA	0.54	0.54	1
	cv. "Hysun 30"	0.93	NA	0.93	0.93	1
	cv. "Jaguar II"	0.31	NA	0.31	0.31	1
	cv. "Royal Hybrid 843"	0.61	NA	0.61	0.61	1
<i>Hylocereus undatus</i>	White-fleshed pitaya					
	cv. "VN White"	0.22	NA	0.22	0.22	1
<i>Hylocereus</i> spp.	Red-peel pitaya					
	cv. "Chaozhou 5"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "F11"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Orejona"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Linum usitatissimum</i>	Linseed					
	cv. "Antares"	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.04	2
<i>Litchi chinensis</i>	Lychee					
	cv. "Ajhauri"	0.39	NA	0.39	0.39	1
	cv. "Dehradoon"	0.14	NA	0.14	0.14	1
	cv. "Dehra Rose"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Deshi"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Ellaichi"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Late Large Red"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Rose Scented"	0.17	NA	0.17	0.17	1

	cv. "Shahi"	0.78	0.22	0.56	1.00	2
	cv. "Trikolia"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Lonicera caerulea</i>	Honeysuckle					
	cv. "Gerda"	0.65	NA	0.65	0.65	1
	cv. "Viola"	0.62	NA	0.62	0.62	1
<i>Luffa acutangula</i>	Chinese Okra					
	cv. "Arka sujath"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Arka sumeet"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Luffa aegyptiaca</i>	Smoth gourd					
	cv. "C-2016"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Hirat"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Pusa Chickni"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Ragini"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Macadamia spp.</i>	Macadamia					
	cv. "246"	0.69	0.20	0.69	0.69	4
	cv. "A4"	0.82	0.20	0.82	0.82	3
<i>Macadamia integrifolia</i>	Macadamia					
	cv. "741"	0.97	NA	0.97	0.97	1
	cv. "A268"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Malpighia emarginata</i>	Acerola cherry					
	cv. "Flor Branca"	0.66	NA	0.66	0.66	1
	cv. "Okiwa"	0.74	NA	0.74	0.74	1
	cv. "Sertaneja"	0.88	NA	0.88	0.88	1
<i>Malus domestica</i>	Apple					
	cv. "Amanda"	0.82	0.06	0.76	0.88	2
	cv. "Aport"	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
	cv. "Aroma"	0.51	0.06	0.27	1.00	16
	cv. "Boskoop"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Braeburn"	0.75	0.05	0.36	1.00	21
	cv. "Bramley"	0.58	0.13	0.41	0.96	4
	cv. "Cox"	0.46	0.06	0.15	1.00	11
	cv. "Elstar"	0.65	0.12	0.15	1.00	8
	cv. "Fuji"	0.51	NA	0.51	0.51	1
	cv. "Gala"	0.56	0.03	0.23	1.00	39
	cv. "Gilly"	0.86	0.04	0.82	0.90	2
	cv. "Golden"	0.89	0.03	0.34	1.00	26
	cv. "Hastings"	0.85	0.04	0.76	0.97	4

	cv. "Idared"	0.56	0.16	0.40	0.71	2
	cv. "Ingrid-Marie"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Jogold"	0.72	0.10	0.60	0.91	3
	cv. "Kandil"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Kirgizski zimni"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Iivka"	0.40	NA	0.40	0.40	1
	cv. "Montuan"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Pink Lady"	0.99	0.01	0.97	1.00	5
	cv. "Renet zolotoi"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Rubinola"	0.84	NA	0.84	0.84	1
	cv. "Starkrimson"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Topaz"	0.97	0.03	0.94	1.00	2
<i>Mangifera indica</i>	Mango					
	cv. "Chok An"	0.88	NA	0.88	0.88	1
	cv. "Sala"	0.53	NA	0.53	0.53	1
<i>Manilkara achras</i>	Sapodilla					
	cv. "Jantung"	0.90	NA	0.90	0.90	1
<i>Momordica charantia</i>	Bitter melon					
	var. <i>neelam 105</i>	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	3
	var. <i>raja</i>	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Nephelium lappaceum</i>	Rambutan					
	var. "CERI61"	0.54	0.02	0.52	0.56	2
<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>	Cactus pear					
	cv. "Gialla"	0.41	0.07	0.17	0.57	5
<i>Paeonia ostii</i>	Peony					
	cv. "Feng Dan"	0.52	NA	0.52	0.52	1
<i>Persea americana</i>	Avocado					
	cv. "West Indian"	0.86	NA	0.86	0.86	1
<i>Phaseolus coccineus</i>	Runner bean					
	cv. "Achievement"	0.67	0.12	0.56	0.79	2
	cv. "Bianco di Spagna"	0.71	0.27	0.44	0.97	2
	cv. "Kelvedon Marvel"	0.95	0.03	0.90	1.00	3
	cv. "Streamline"	0.61	NA	0.61	0.61	1
<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>	Bean					
	cv. "Kariasii"	0.19	NA	0.19	0.19	1
	cv. "Lyamungo 90"	0.00	NA	0.00	0.00	1

	cv. "Processor"	0.37	NA	0.37	0.37	1
<i>Prunus armeniaca</i>	Apricot					
	cv. "Sundrop"	0.95	0.04	0.87	1.00	3
<i>Prunus avium</i>	Sweet cherry					
	cv. "Royal Ann"	0.49	NA	0.49	0.49	1
<i>Prunus cerasus</i>	Sour cherry					
	cv. "Csengodi"	0.87	0.01	0.86	0.87	2
	cv. "Eva"	0.83	0.02	0.81	0.84	2
	cv. "Pandy 279"	0.97	NA	0.97	0.97	1
	cv. "Petri"	0.55	0.19	0.36	0.73	2
	cv. "Ujfehertoi furtos"	0.67	0.03	0.64	0.70	2
<i>Prunus dulcis</i>	Almond					
	cv. "Guara"	0.85	NA	0.85	0.85	1
	cv. "Nonpareil"	0.95	NA	0.95	0.95	1
	selection "A-10-2"	0.91	0.05	0.86	0.95	2
	selection "A-10-6"	0.99	0.00	0.99	0.99	2
	selection "B-4-2"	0.72	NA	0.72	0.72	1
	selection "B-5-2"	1.00	0.01	0.99	1.00	2
	selection "B-5-9"	0.98	0.01	0.97	0.98	2
	selection "C-11-1"	1.00	0.01	0.99	1.00	2
	selection "D-3-5"	0.59	NA	0.59	0.59	1
	selection "D-4-15"	0.99	0.02	0.97	1.00	2
	selection "E-5-7"	0.38	NA	0.38	0.38	1
	selection "G-5-2"	0.70	0.02	0.66	0.72	3
	selection "A-10-8"	0.80	0.02	0.78	0.81	2
<i>Prunus persica</i>	Peach, nectarine					
	cv. "Aurora 1"	0.11	NA	0.11	0.11	1
	var. <i>Baby Gold 5</i>	0.48	NA	0.48	0.48	1
	var. <i>Baby Gold 6</i>	0.53	NA	0.53	0.53	1
	var. <i>Baby Gold 7</i>	0.34	NA	0.34	0.34	1
	var. <i>Blazing Gold</i>	0.08	NA	0.08	0.08	1
	var. <i>Champion</i>	0.21	NA	0.21	0.21	1
	var. <i>Dixired</i>	0.47	NA	0.47	0.47	1
	var. <i>Early Redhaven</i>	0.09	NA	0.09	0.09	1
	var. <i>Elberta</i>	0.14	NA	0.14	0.14	1
	var. <i>Flavortop</i>	0.53	NA	0.53	0.53	1
	var. <i>Frederica</i>	0.41	NA	0.41	0.41	1

<i>var. Fusador</i>	0.56	NA	0.56	0.56	1
cv. "Golden Queen"	0.23	NA	0.23	0.23	1
<i>var. Hale Haven</i>	0.43	NA	0.43	0.43	1
<i>var. Independence</i>	0.62	NA	0.62	0.62	1
<i>var. J.H. Hale</i>	0.73	NA	0.73	0.73	1
<i>var. Jerseyland</i>	0.08	NA	0.08	0.08	1
<i>var. La Fayette</i>	0.24	NA	0.24	0.24	1
<i>var. Lexington</i>	0.40	NA	0.40	0.40	1
<i>var. Loadel</i>	0.38	NA	0.38	0.38	1
<i>var. Merrill Sundance</i>	0.46	NA	0.46	0.46	1
<i>var. Michelini</i>	0.31	NA	0.31	0.31	1
<i>var. Morton</i>	0.53	NA	0.53	0.53	1
<i>var. Nectaheart</i>	0.50	NA	0.50	0.50	1
<i>var. Nectared 4</i>	0.37	NA	0.37	0.37	1
<i>var. Nectared 6</i>	0.13	NA	0.13	0.13	1
<i>var. Nectarose</i>	0.38	NA	0.38	0.38	1
<i>var. Pocahontas</i>	0.32	NA	0.32	0.32	1
<i>var. Red June</i>	0.43	NA	0.43	0.43	1
<i>var. Redchief</i>	0.28	NA	0.28	0.28	1
<i>var. Redhaven</i>	0.48	NA	0.48	0.48	1
<i>var. Redtop</i>	0.54	NA	0.54	0.54	1
<i>var. Redwing</i>	0.53	NA	0.53	0.53	1
<i>var. Robin</i>	0.59	NA	0.59	0.59	1
<i>var. Shasta</i>	0.39	NA	0.39	0.39	1
<i>var. Springcrest</i>	0.36	NA	0.36	0.36	1
<i>var. Springgold</i>	0.53	NA	0.53	0.53	1
<i>var. Springtime</i>	0.58	NA	0.58	0.58	1
<i>var. Starking Delicious</i>	0.25	NA	0.25	0.25	1
<i>var. Sudanell</i>	0.10	NA	0.10	0.10	1
<i>var. Suncrest</i>	0.15	NA	0.15	0.15	1
<i>var. Troubador</i>	0.34	NA	0.34	0.34	1
<i>var. Vesuvio</i>	0.16	NA	0.16	0.16	1

<i>Psidium guajava</i>	Guava					
	cv. "Kimju guava"	0.08	NA	0.08	0.08	1

<i>Punica granatum</i>	Pomegranate					
	cv. "Gorch-e-dadashi"	0.39	NA	0.39	0.39	1
	cv. "Poost ghermez-e-aliaghaei"	0.37	NA	0.37	0.37	1

	cv. "Zagh-e-yazdi"	0.44	NA	0.44	0.44	1
<i>Pyrus communis</i>	Pear					
	cv. "Conference"	0.56	0.42	0.15	0.98	2
	cv. "Rocha"	0.96	0.04	0.92	0.99	2
	cv. "Sebri"	0.61	NA	0.61	0.61	1
	cv. "Shahmiveh"	0.69	NA	0.69	0.69	1
	cv. "Tanzi"	0.57	NA	0.57	0.57	1
<i>Ribes uva-crispa</i>						
	cv. "White Triumph"	0.27	NA	0.27	0.27	1
	cv. "Lady Delamere"	0.27	NA	0.27	0.27	1
	cv. "Resistenta"	0.65	NA	0.65	0.65	1
	cv. "Shanon"	0.36	NA	0.36	0.36	1
	cv. " Careless"	0.45	0.07	0.35	0.64	3
<i>Ribes rubrum</i>	Currant					
	cv. "Rovada"	0.42	NA	0.42	0.42	1
<i>Rubus fruticosus</i>	Blackberry					
	cv. "Black Satin"	0.51	NA	0.51	0.51	1
	cv. "Hull Thornless"	0.39	NA	0.39	0.39	1
<i>Rubus idaeus</i>	Raspberry					
	cv. "Cowichan"	0.69	0.01	0.69	0.69	1
	cv. "La Amelia"	0.07	NA	0.07	0.07	1
	cv. "Latham"	0.66	0.01	0.65	0.66	2
	cv. "Polka"	0.59	NA	0.59	0.59	1
	cv. "Royalty"	0.57	0.07	0.45	0.70	3
<i>Selenicereus undatus</i>	White-fleshed pitaya					
	cv. "VN White"	0.22	NA	0.22	0.22	1
<i>Selenicereus</i> spp.	Red-peel pitaya					
	cv. "Chaozhou 5"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "F11"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
	cv. "Orejona"	1.00	NA	1.00	1.00	1
<i>Sesamum indicum</i>	Sesame seed					
	cv. "CNP G2"	0.01	NA	0.01	0.01	1
	var. S-42	0.49	NA	0.49	0.49	1
<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>	Tomato					
	var. NS 25	0.52	NA	0.52	0.52	1
	var. SunGold	0.28	NA	0.28	0.28	1

<i>Solanum melongena</i>	Eggplant					
	var. <i>Aruki 25</i>	0.78	NA	0.78	0.78	1
	var. <i>Kathri 25</i>	0.76	NA	0.76	0.76	1
	cv. "Poli"	0.87	0.07	0.74	1.00	4
	var. <i>Shiva</i>	0.81	0.03	0.77	0.88	3
<i>Spondias mombin</i>	Hog plum					
	cv. "Lagoa Redonda"	0.78	NA	0.78	0.78	1
<i>Trichosanthes cucumerina</i>	Snake gourd					
	var. <i>Bhuvan</i>	0.92	NA	0.92	0.92	1
	var. <i>Lakshmi 7</i>	0.73	NA	0.73	0.73	1
	var. <i>S25</i>	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Trichosanthes dioica</i>	Pointed gourd					
	cv. "Damodar"	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	2
<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>	Highbush blueberry					
	cv. "Bluecrop"	0.47	0.07	0.33	0.64	5
	cv. "Duke"	0.46	0.12	0.34	0.58	2
	cv. "Emerald"	0.76	NA	0.76	0.76	1
	cv. "Liberty"	0.53	0.07	0.34	0.80	6
	cv. "Northland"	0.66	0.05	0.61	0.70	2
	cv. "Patriot"	0.31	0.03	0.28	0.33	2
<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>	Cranberry					
	cv. "Stevens"	0.58	NA	0.58	0.58	1
<i>Vicia faba</i>	Broad bean					
	cv. "Tiffany"	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.08	2
<i>Vigna unguiculata</i>	Cowpea					
	cv. "BR3-Tracuateua"	0.04	NA	0.04	0.04	1
	cv. "Ken Kunde"	0.32	0.10	0.21	0.42	2
<i>Vitellaria paradoxa</i>	Karite nut					
	subs. <i>paradoxa</i>	0.31	0.22	0.08	0.96	4