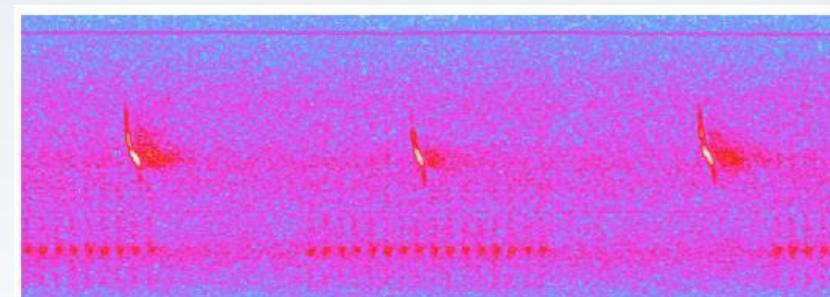




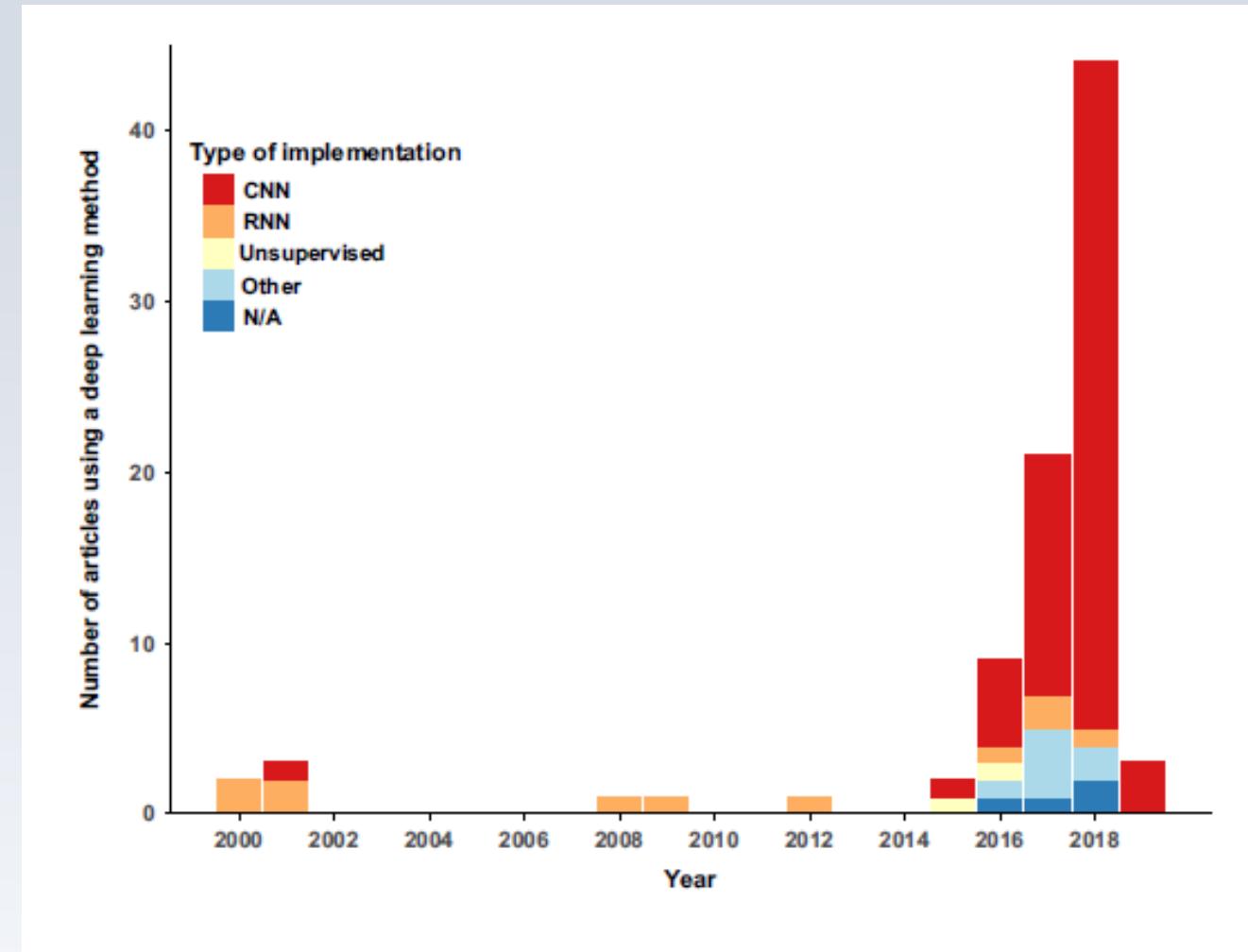
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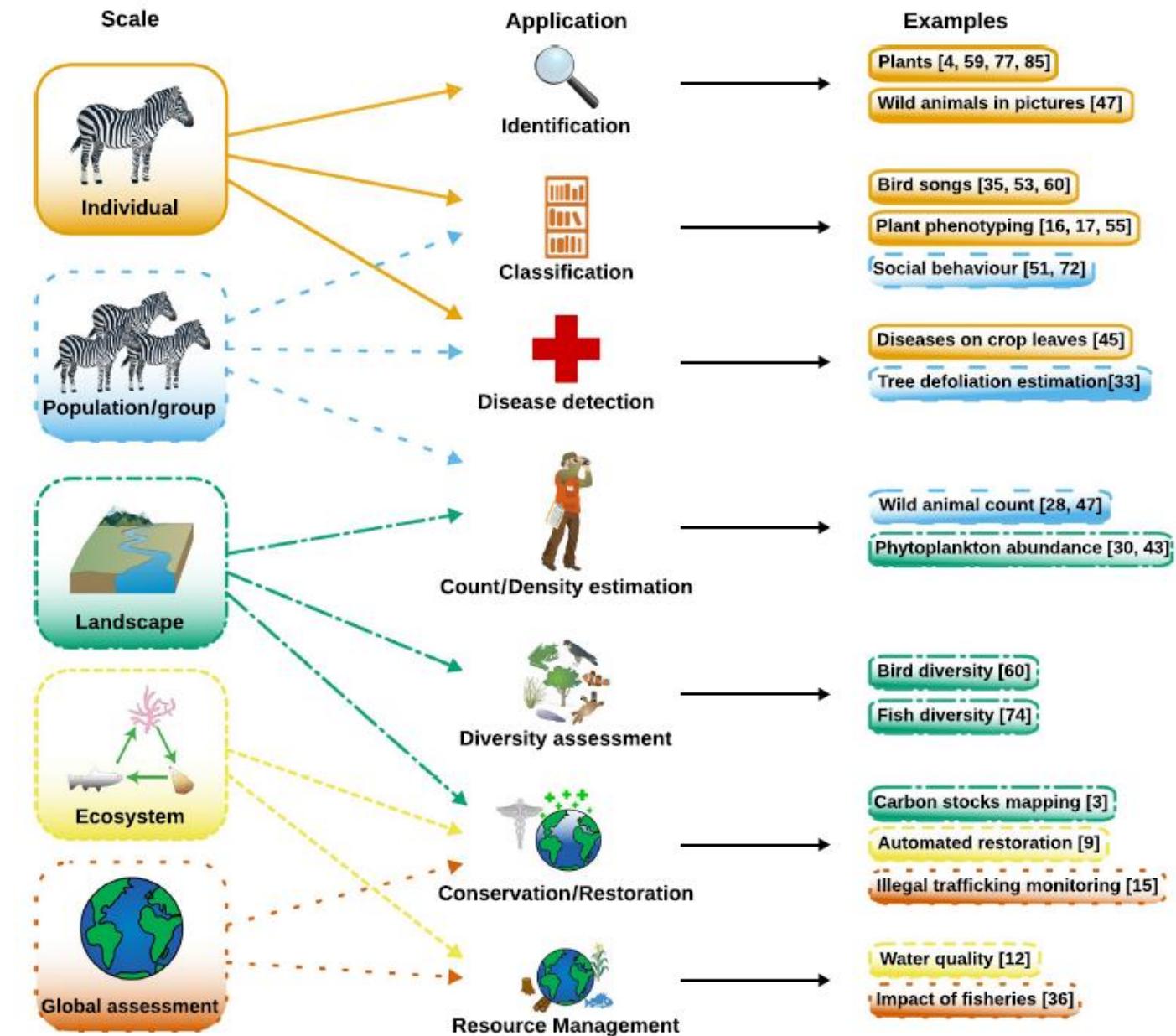


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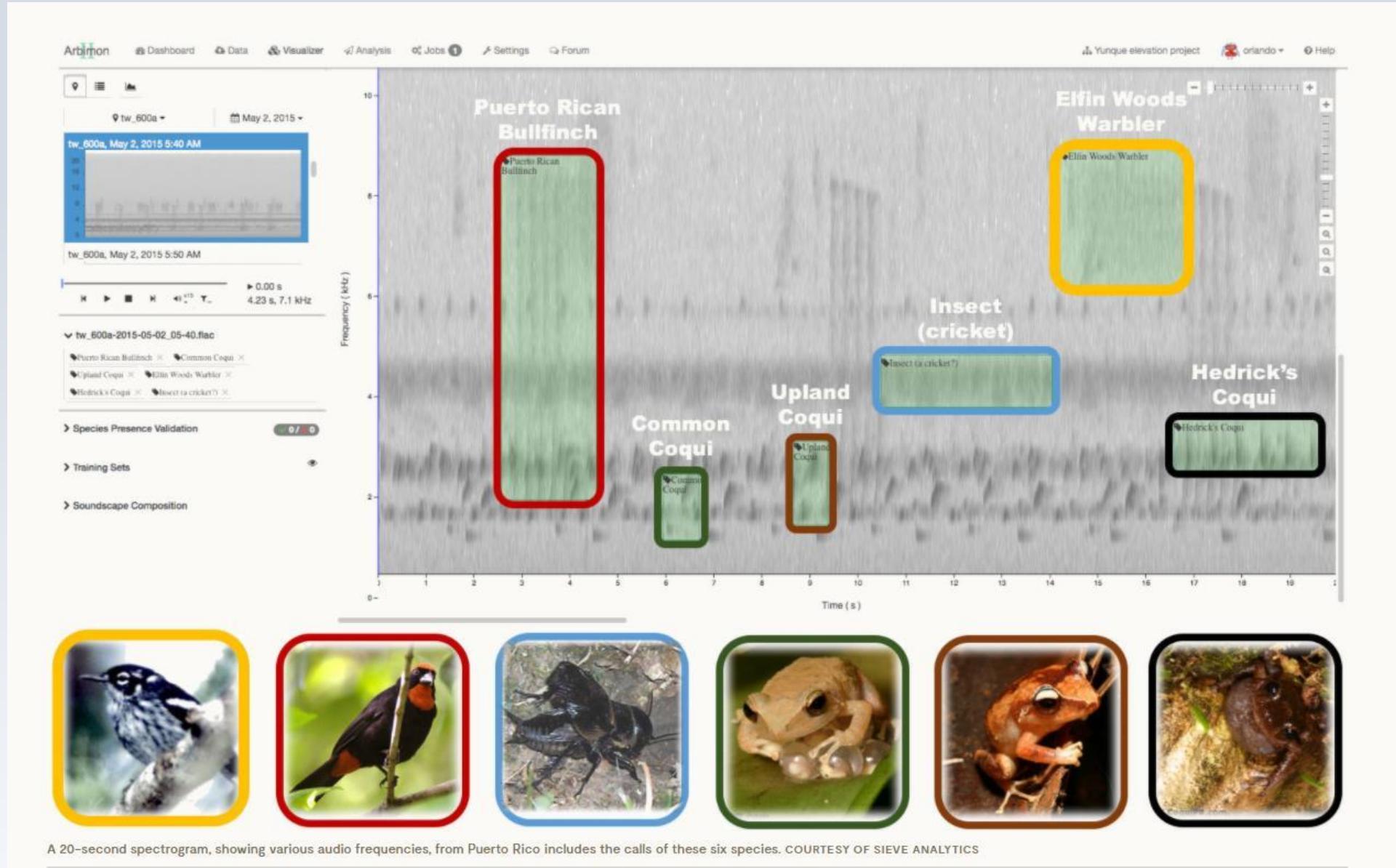
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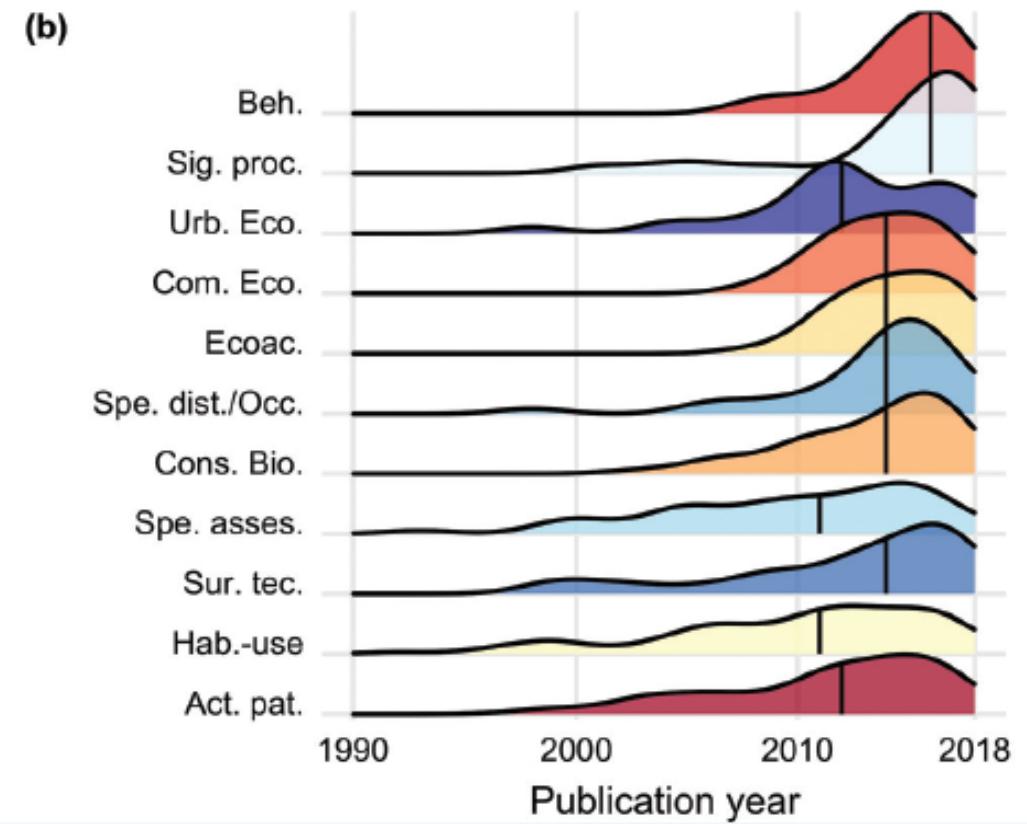
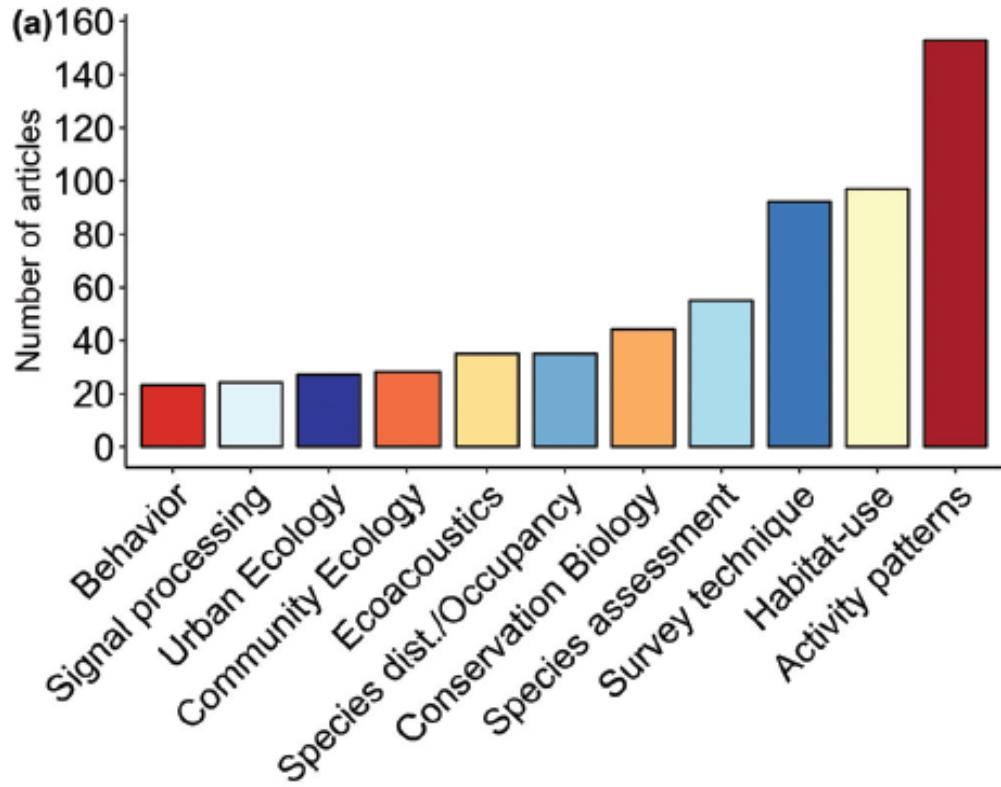


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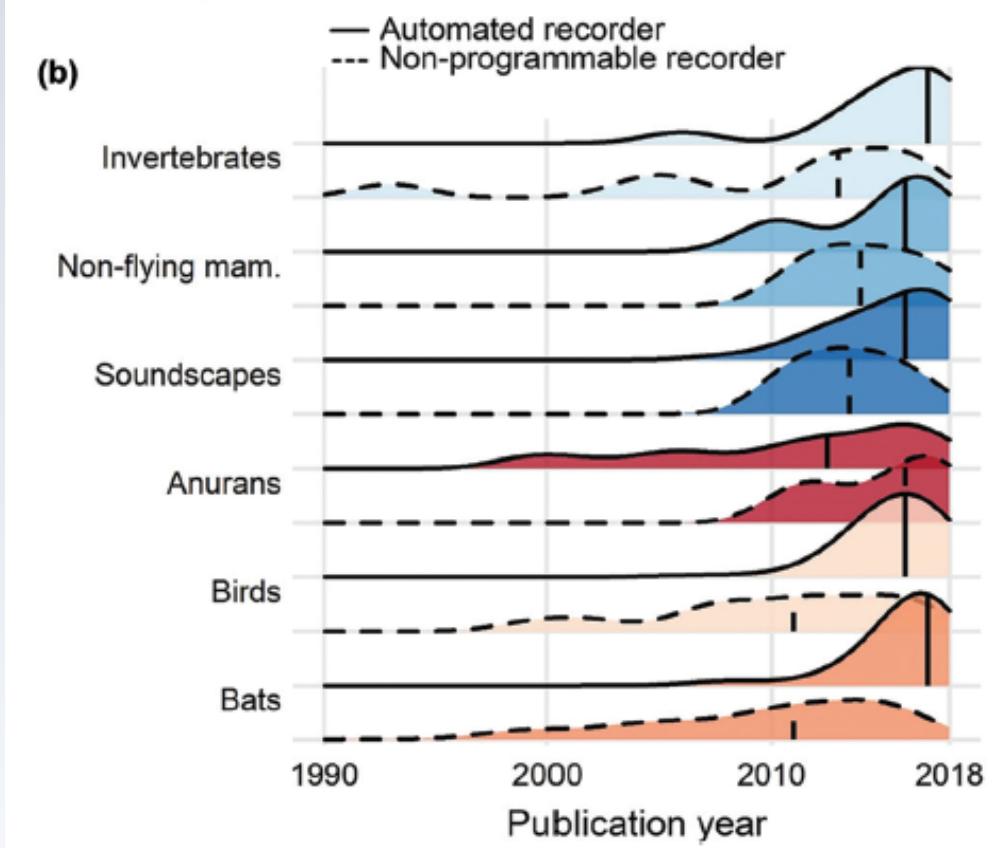
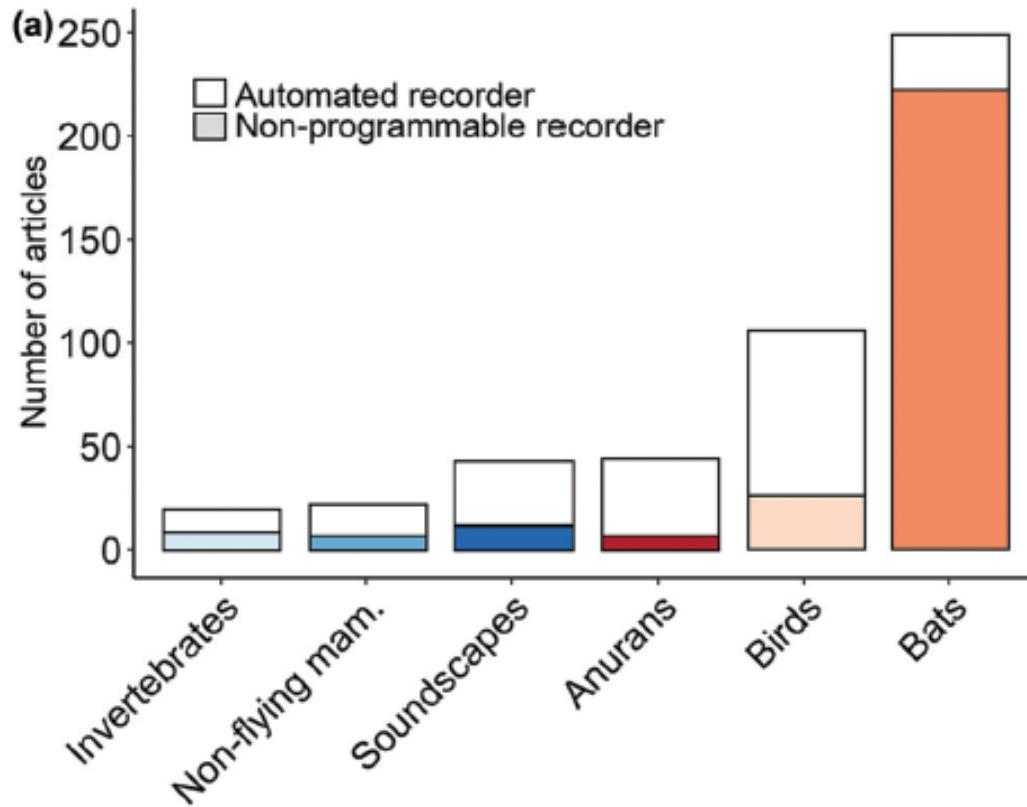
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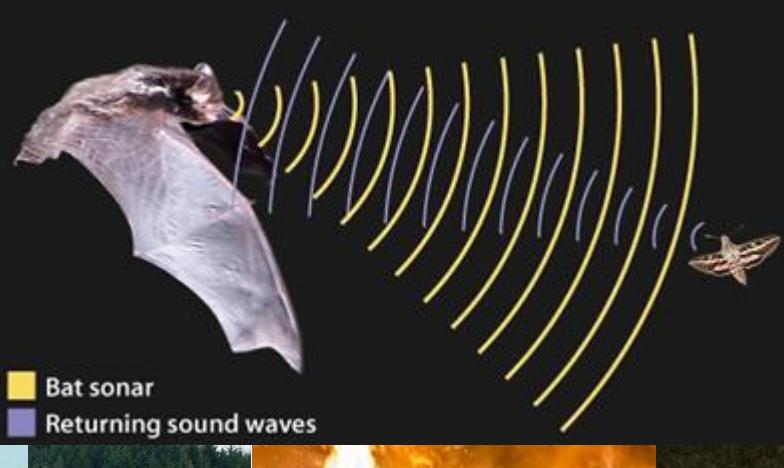
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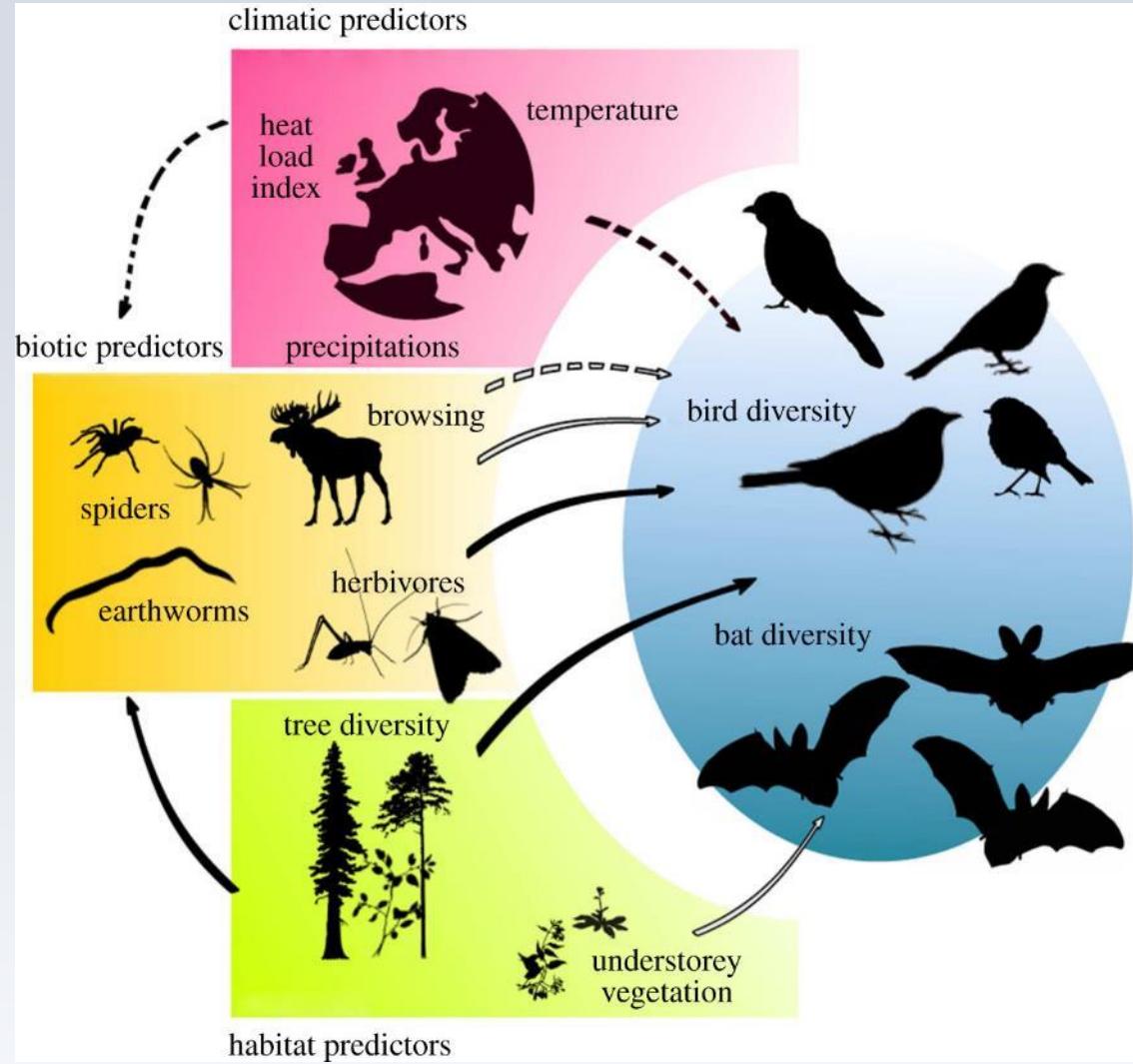
Bats



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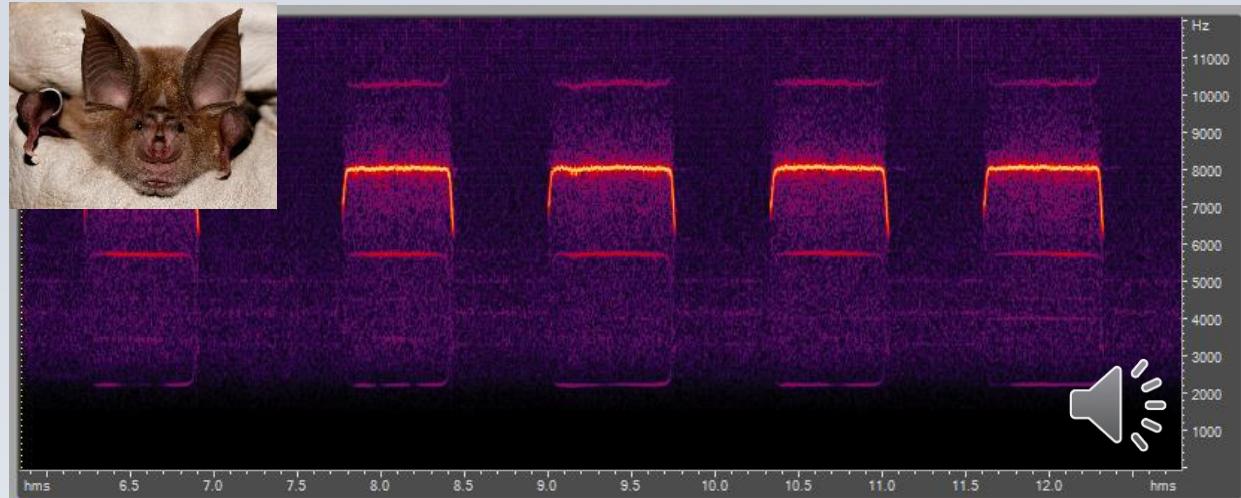
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Bats as indicators species

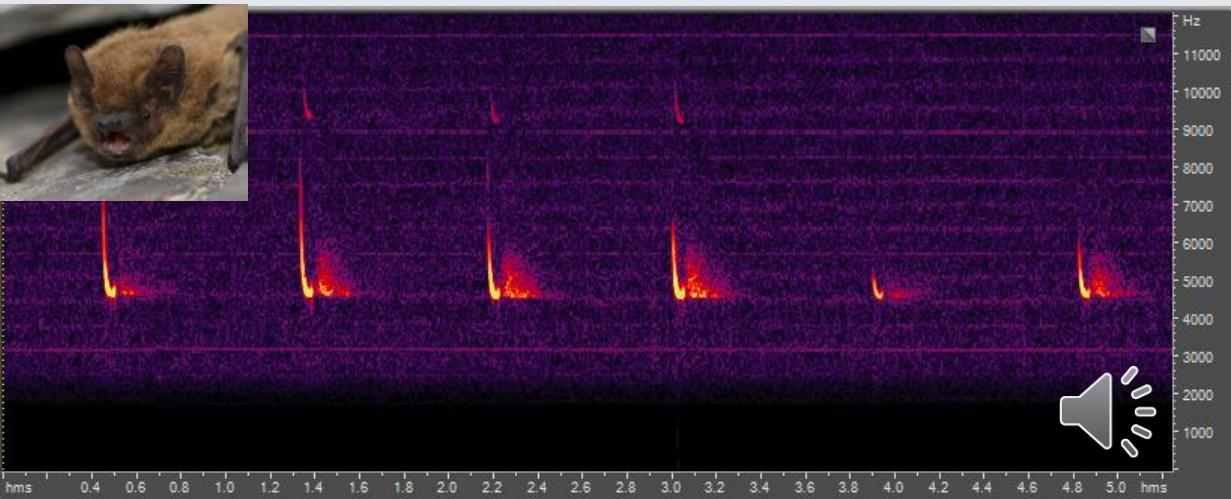
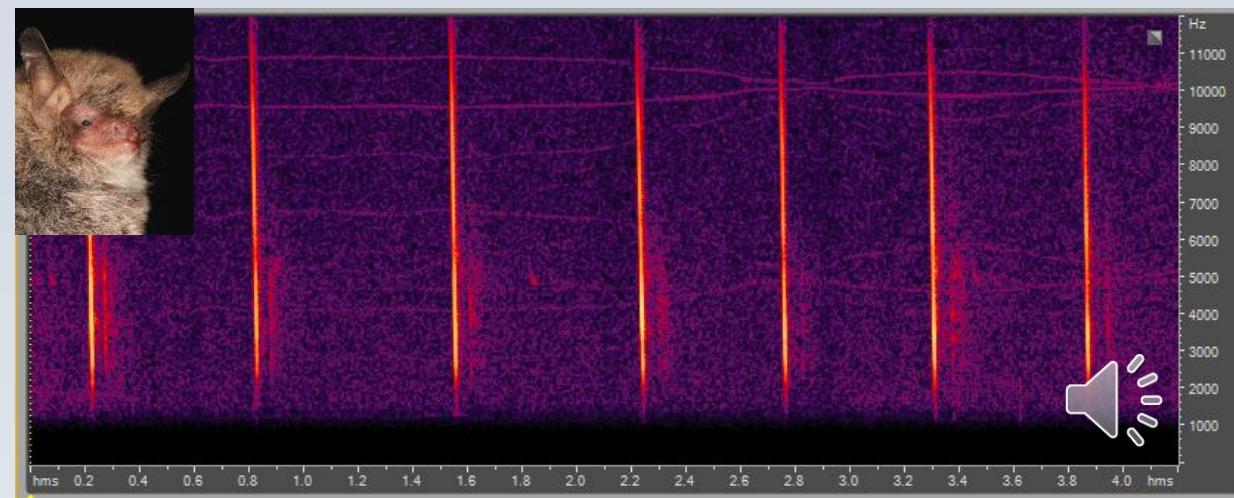


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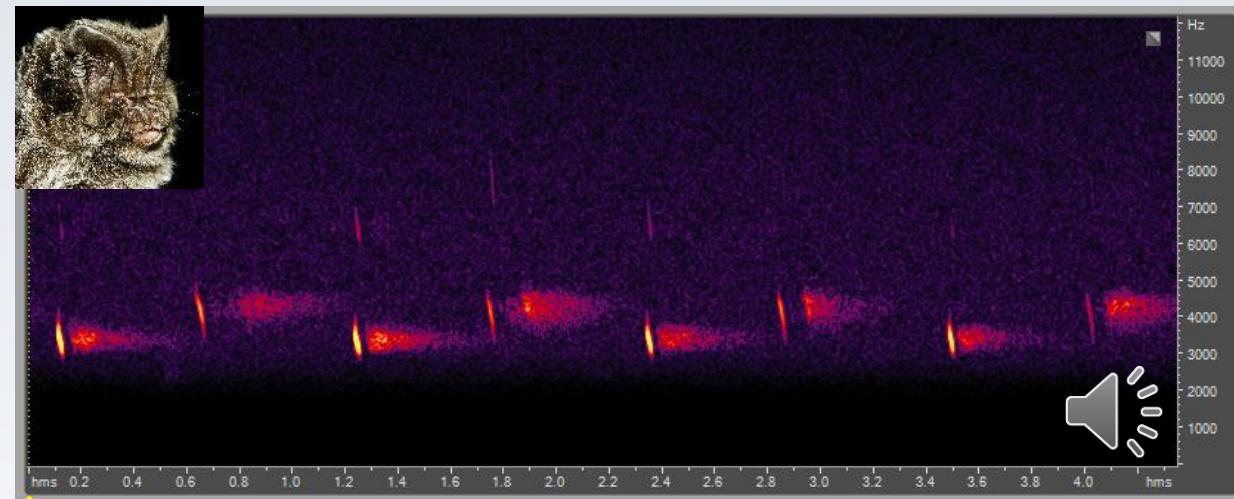
Greater horseshoe bat (*Rhinolophus ferrumequinum*)



Natterer's bat (*Myotis nattereri*)

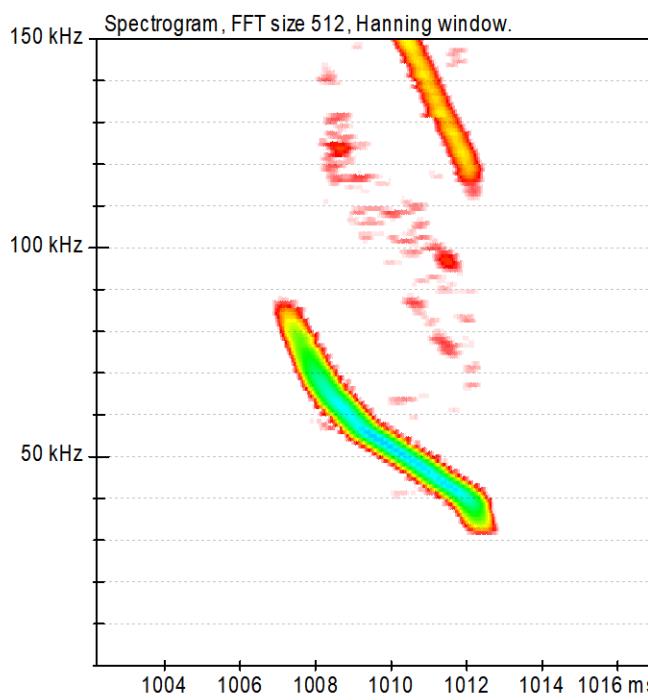


Common pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus pipistrellus*)



Western barbastelle (*Barbastella barbastellus*)

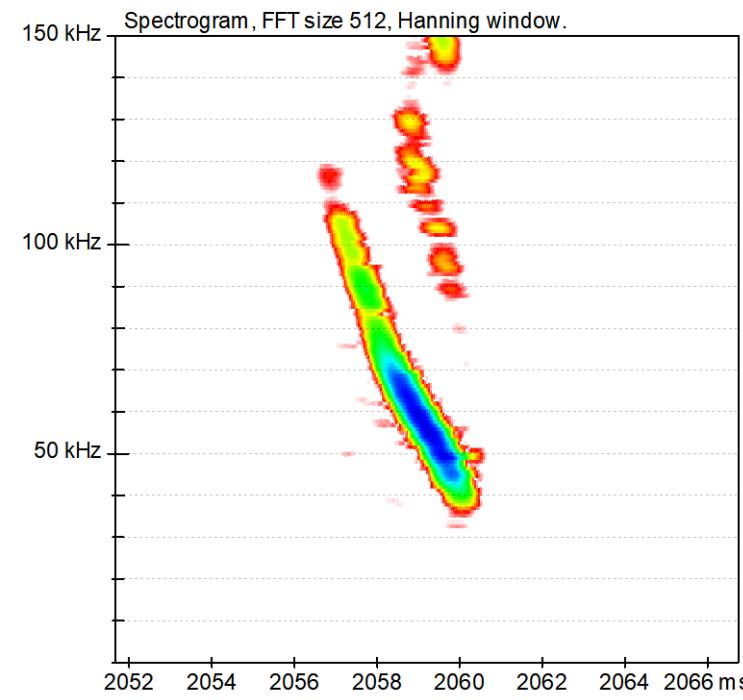
Many species with similar sounds



Daubenton's bat
abs high signal in open areas



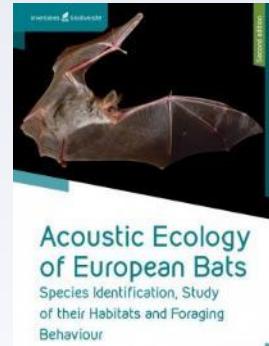
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Geoffroy's bat
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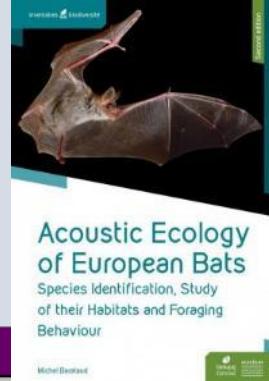
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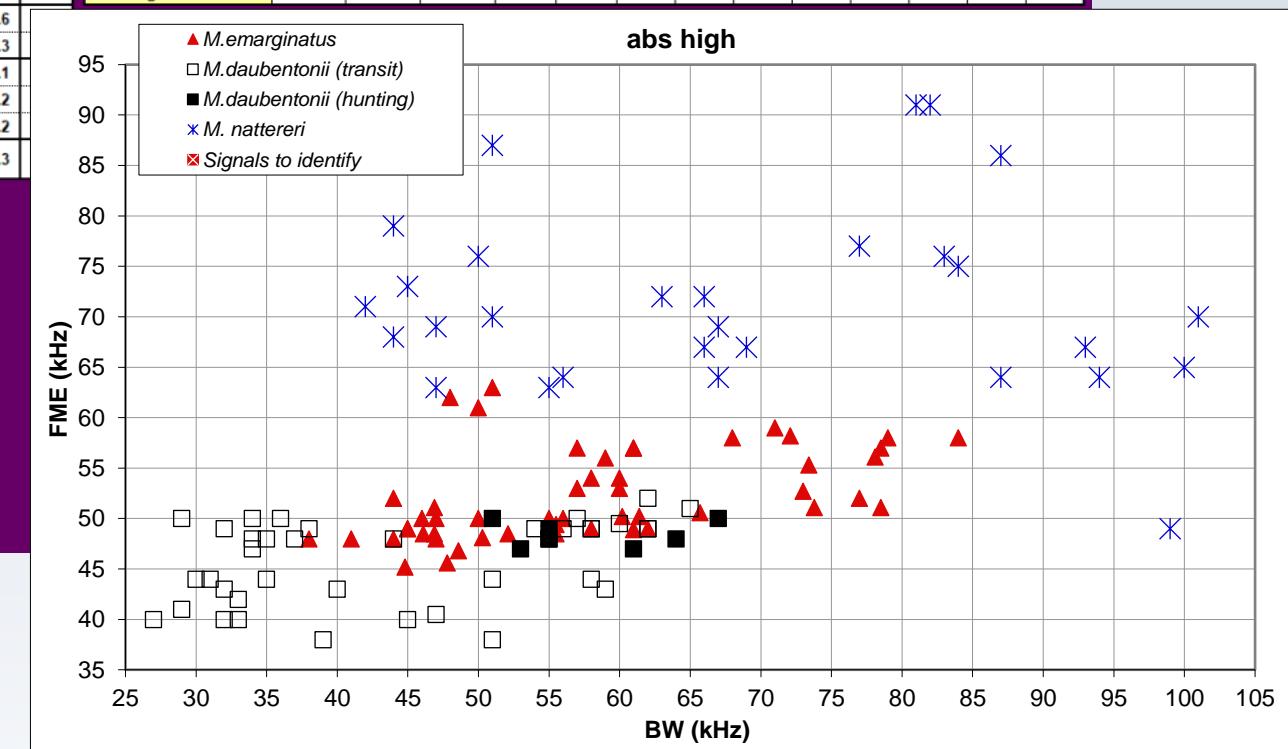
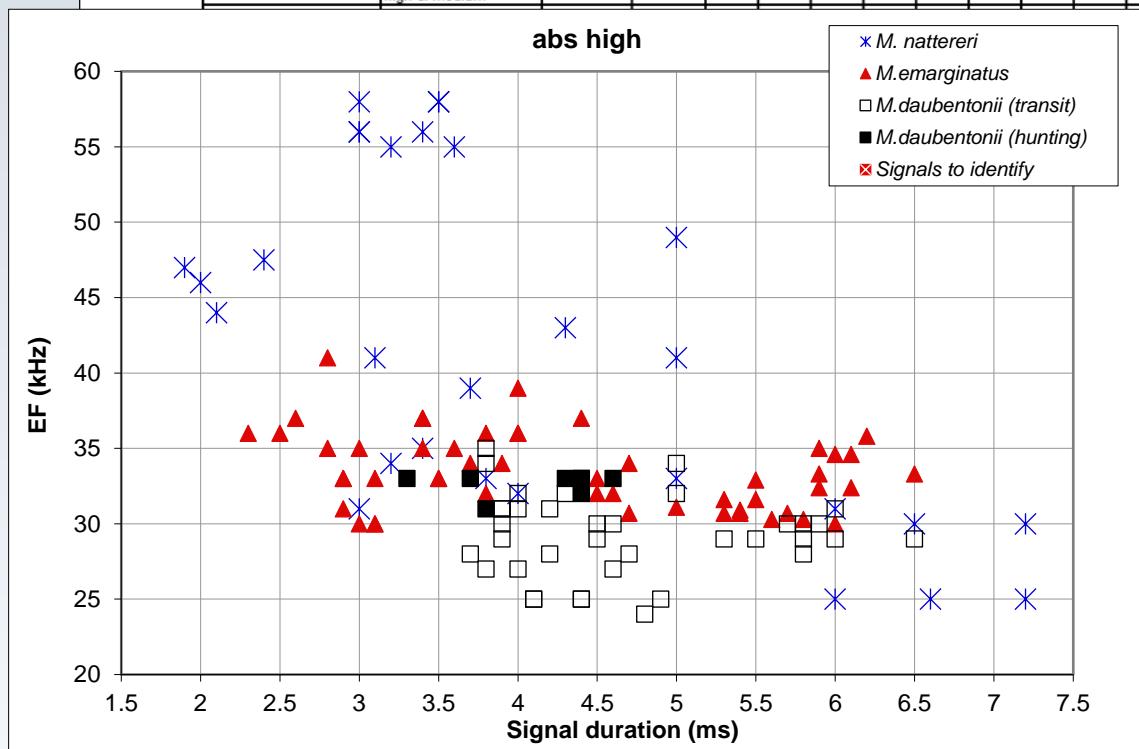
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Identification based on acoustic measurements



Mean and standard deviation of key variables for each acoustic type and species of genus Myotis																													
Acoustic types			N. species	N. signals analysed	Signal duration (ms)		Bandwidth (kHz)		Start frequency (kHz)		End frequency (kHz)		Freq. max. energy (kHz)		FW high	N. signals analysed	Interval duration (ms)		Signal duration (ms)		BW (kHz)		SF (kHz)		EF (kHz)		FME (kHz)		
Structure	Energy distribution	End frequency			Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD			Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD			
final whack (FW)	high (> 30)	high (> 30)	4	124	2.1	0.5	68.5	15.2	103.2	15.2	36.4	5.3	59.7	9.3	M. brandtii	57	49.5	16.6	1.8	0.4	67.1	15.9	101.6	15.9	34.5	4.2	54.5	6.7	
	medium (23 à 30)	medium (23 à 30)			2.8	1.1	69.7	14.3	97.1	13.5	27.4	3.1	48.5	6.2			7	53.6	21.4	2.3	0.3	45.8	5.0	72.1	41.0	46.9	3.2	68.0	3.3
	low (< 23)	low (< 23)			3.3	1.3	93.5	26.7	110.3	25.6	16.8	4.1	49.4	12.2			30	55.9	19.6	2.3	0.4	72.1	13.3	106.2	13.3	34.1	3.0	59.6	5.4
	ES&FW	high & medium			2.3	1.2	62.5	14.2	93.4	11.6	30.9	5.8	50.9	4.2			30	76.2	21.4	2.5	0.4	72.6	12.1	112.5	12.1	39.9	4.7	67.9	10.3



Automatic bat species identification

The screenshot shows the ecoObs website. At the top left is the ecoObs logo with a stylized bat icon. The navigation bar includes links for HOMEPAGE, PRODUCTS (with a dropdown menu), and NEWS. A large green banner in the center features the text "BATIDEN". Below the banner, a section titled "Quick Start: Auto-ID For Bats" highlights "Kaleidoscope Pro". An image of a computer monitor displaying a software interface with multiple windows is shown. The software interface has a "wildlife acoustics" watermark at the bottom. The overall theme is bat acoustic analysis.

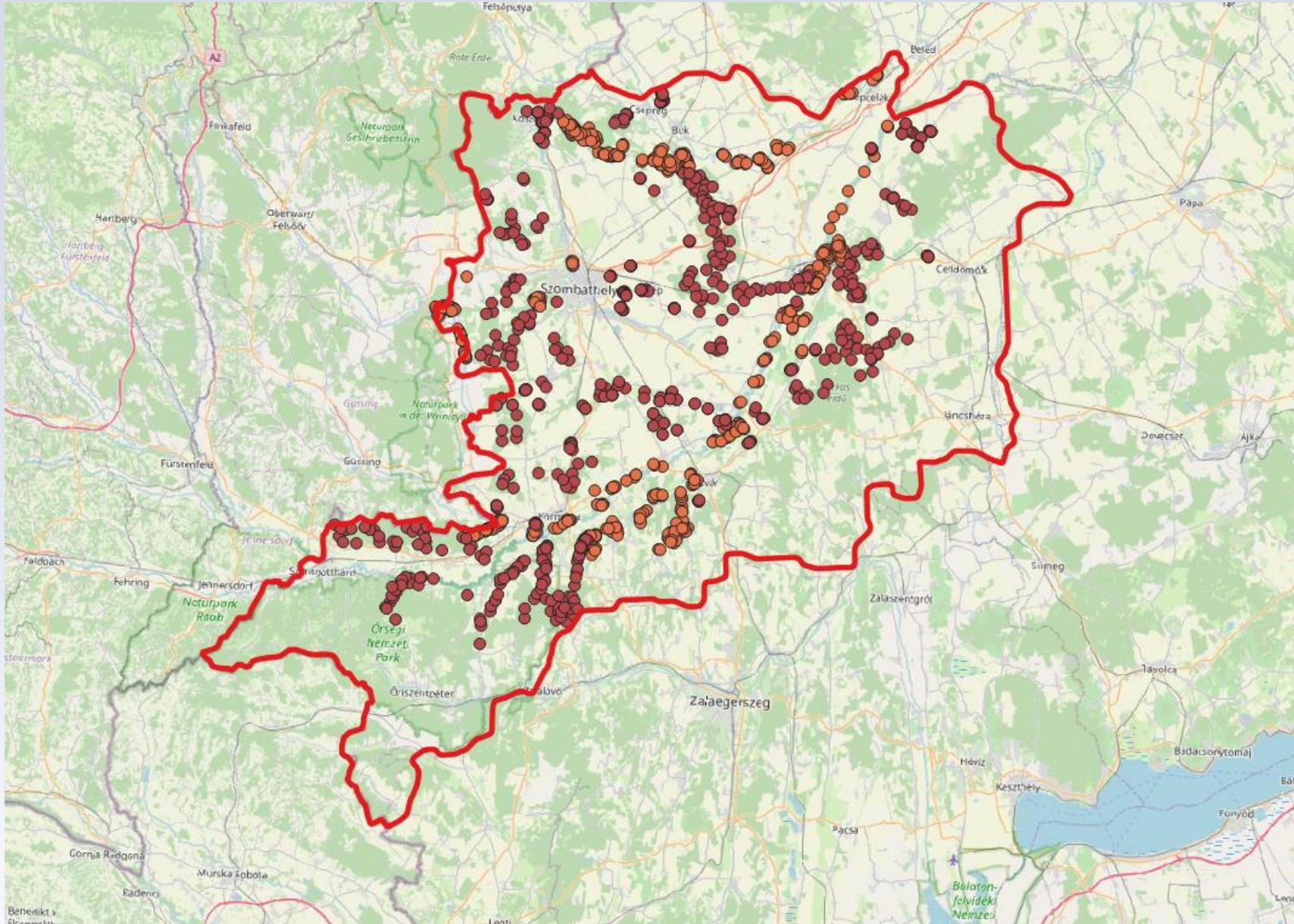
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The screenshot shows the biotope SonoChiro Software interface. The window title is "Suite SonoChiro". The main menu includes "Outils d'analyse" (Analysis Tools) with sub-options: SonoChiro, SonoView, Utilitaires annexes (Auxiliary Utilities), SonoSearch, and SonoDemux. The version information at the bottom indicates "Version: 4.1.3". The biotope logo is in the top right corner, and "le CLUB biotope" is in the bottom right corner.

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The Project: Acoustic sampling in Vas county, Hungary



- 1200 sampling points
- 4800 hours of recordings



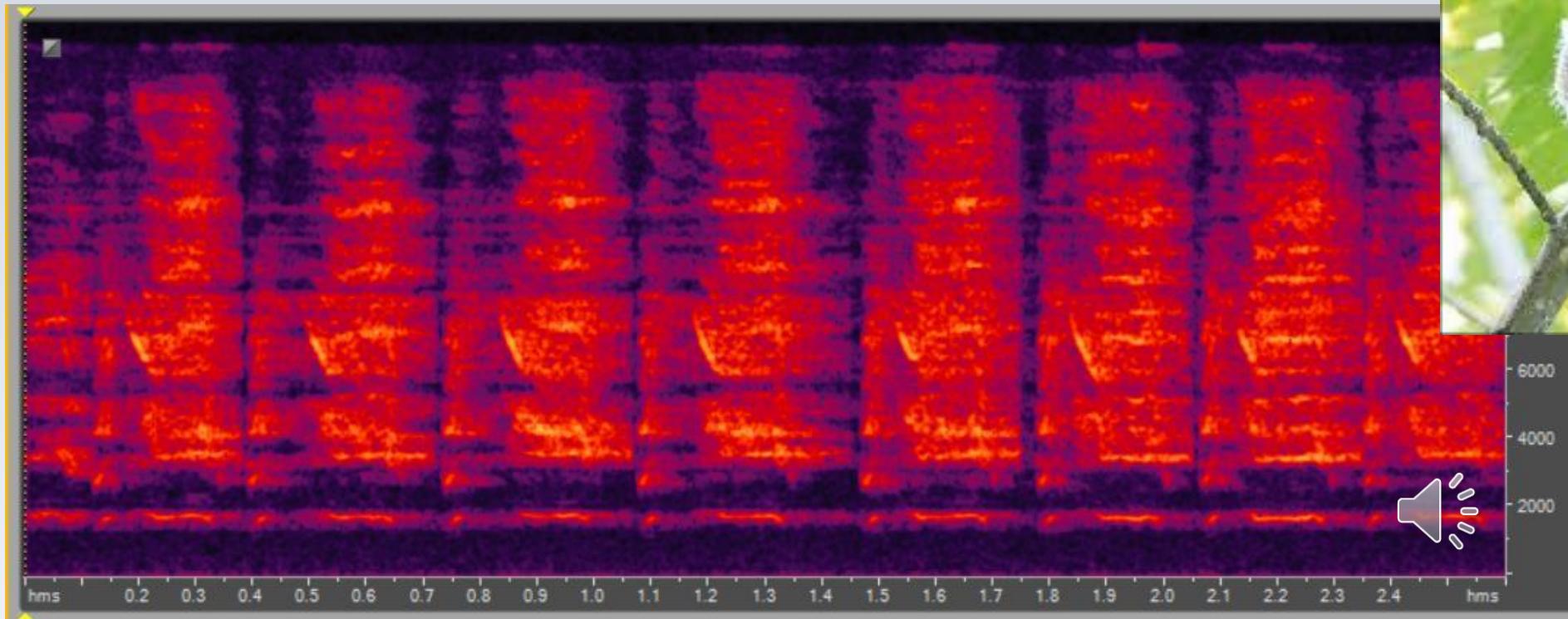
Building automatic species identification model

- bat sound library

- 12 species:
 - *Barbastella barbastellus*
 - *Myotis bechsteinii*
 - *Myotis emarginatus*
 - *Myotis myotis*
 - *Myotis daubentonii*
 - *Eptesicus serotinus*
 - *Nyctalus leisleri*
 - *Nyctalus noctula*
 - *Pipistrellus kuhlii*
 - *Pipistrellus nathusii*
 - *Pipistrellus pipistrellus*
 - *Pipistrellus pygmaeus*
- Manually identified sounds based on measurements
- Recordings from identified individuals

Σ: ~ 65.000 samples (0.1 sec)

What else on the recordings?



tawny owl chicks

Nocturnal birds

xeno-canto
Sharing bird sounds from around the world

About ▾ Explore ▾ Upload Sounds Forum Mysteries Articles

Search recordings... **Search**

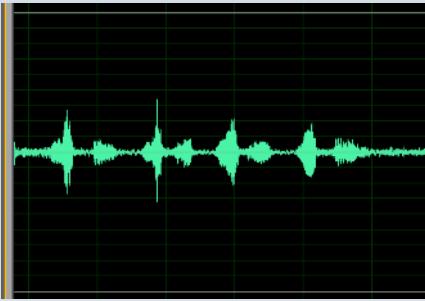
- *Aegolius funereus* – 292 recordings
- *Asio flammeus* – 102 recordings
- *Asio otus* – 616 recordings
- *Athene noctua* – 752 recordings
- *Bubo bubo* – 335 recordings
- *Caprimulgus europaeus* – 640 recordings
- *Crex crex* – 455 recordings
- *Glaucidium passerinum* – 343 recordings
- *Otus scops* – 356 recordings
- *Strix aluco* – 414 recordings
- *Strix uralensis* – 180 recordings
- *Tyto alba* – 374 recordings



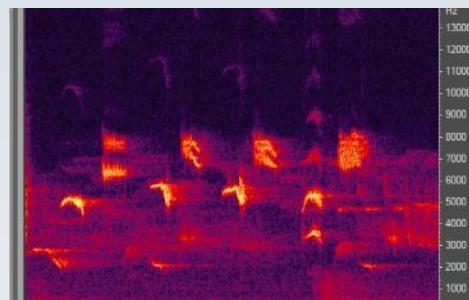
Σ: ~ 107.000 samples (3 sec)

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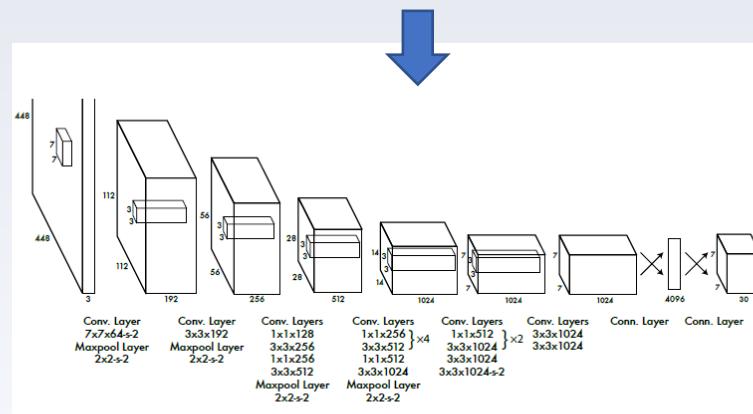
Common approach – image classification



soundfile



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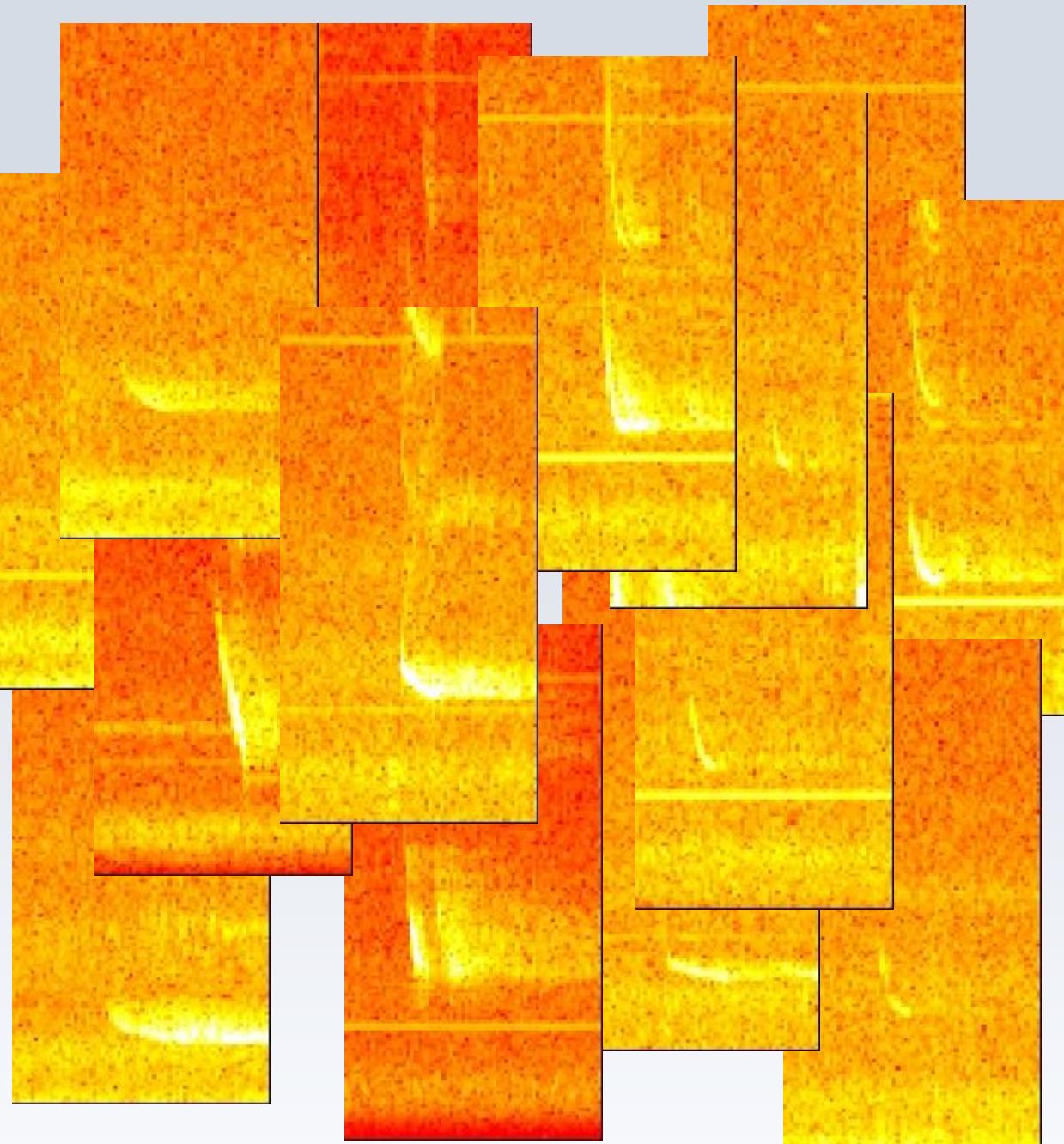


using “Darknet YOLO” program

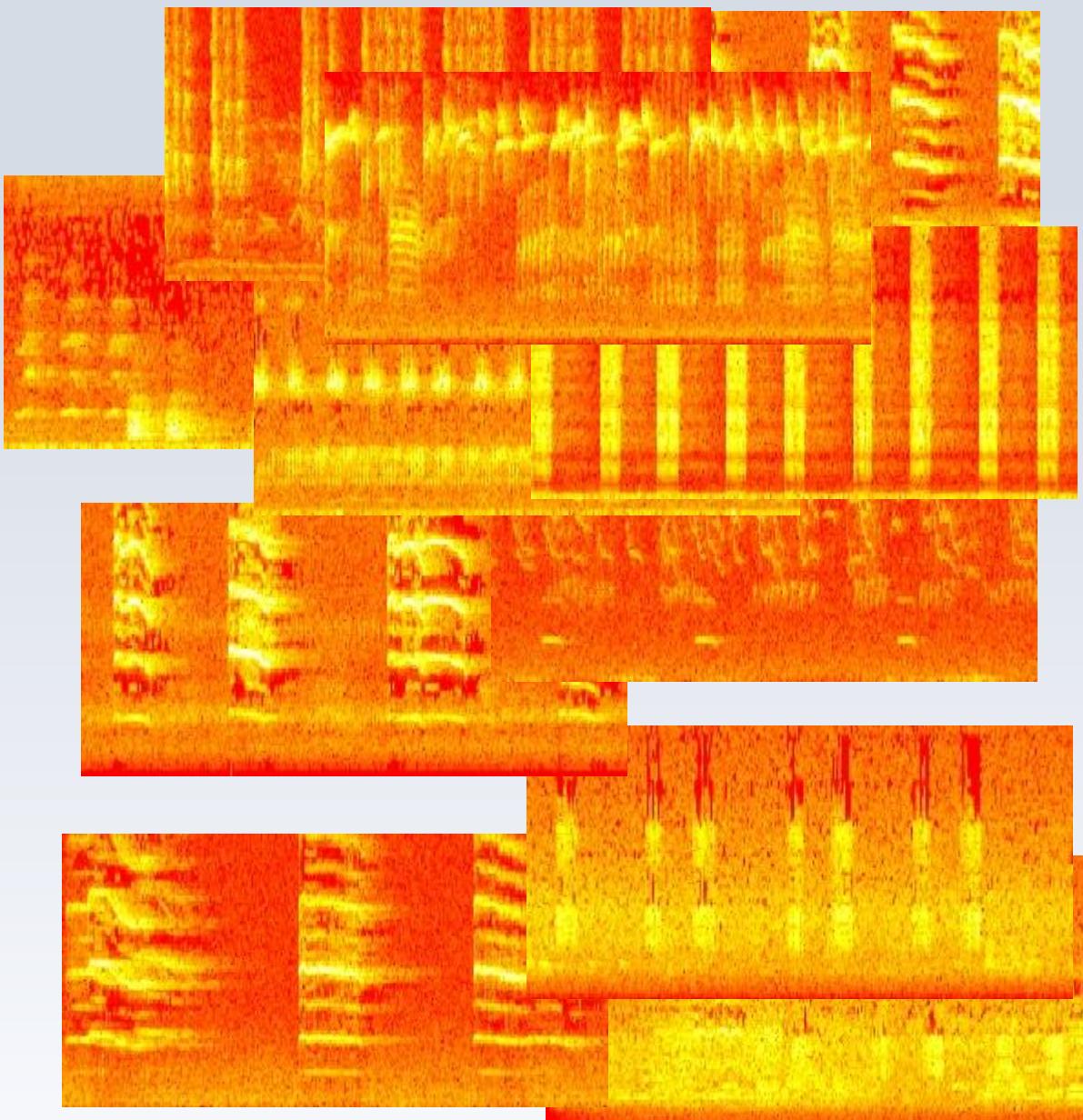
- Freeware, open source
- C and Python
- OpenCV / CUDA
- CPU and GPU supported
- Changeble input dimensions

image
classification
results

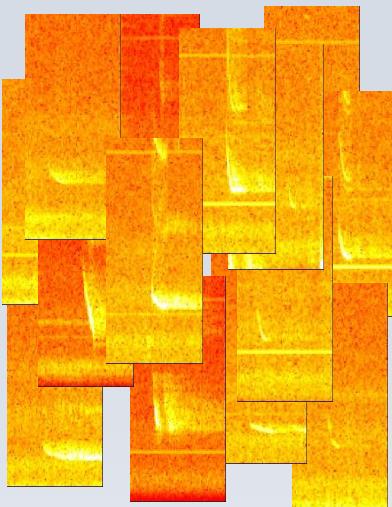
Bat pictures



Bird pictures



Bat model



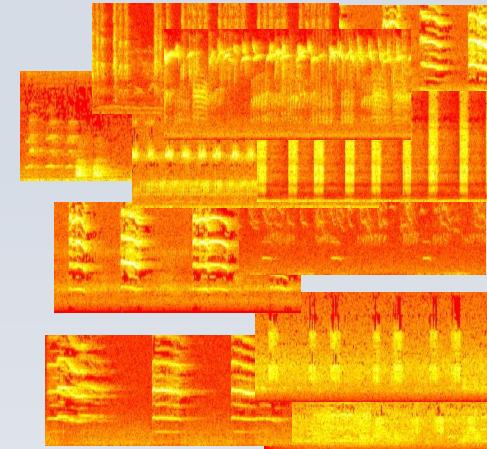
**64 x 64 input layer
10 convolutional layers**



**GPU: 4 × Nvidia GeForce GTX 1080 Ti
11.2 GB RAM**

~ 90% accuracy

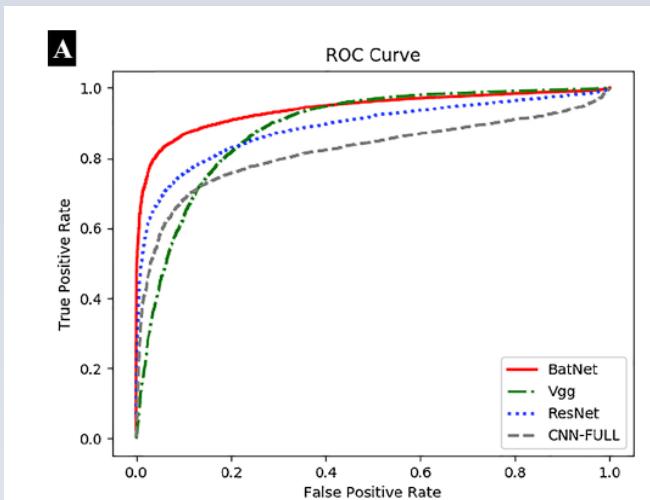
Bird model



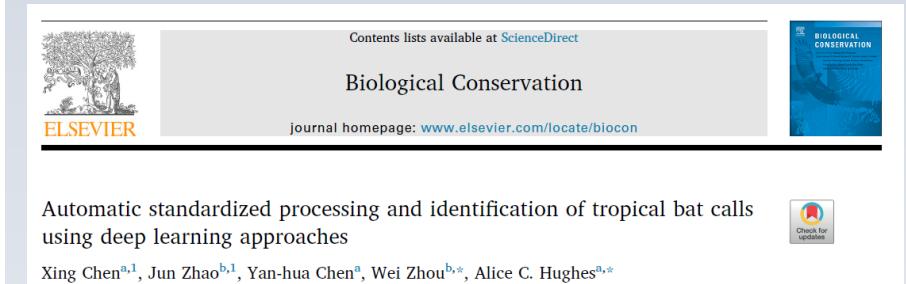
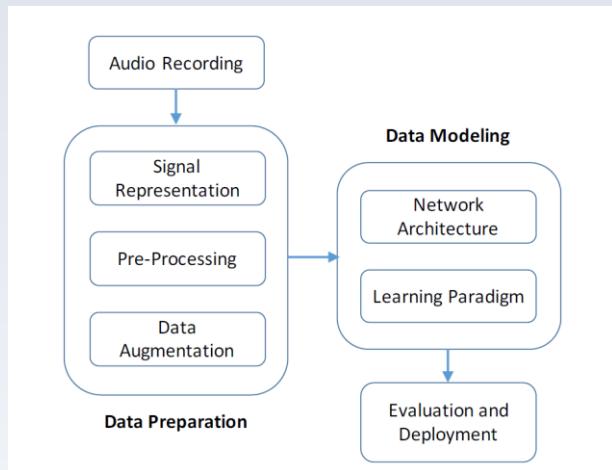
~ 85% accuracy

Directions of improvement

- Exploring other network architectures



- Pre-processing of recordings
- Data augmentation
- Including more species



Usage of the method in our project



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