### Bees and non-bee relatives

#### Keith Delaplane, Professor and Walter B. Hill Fellow

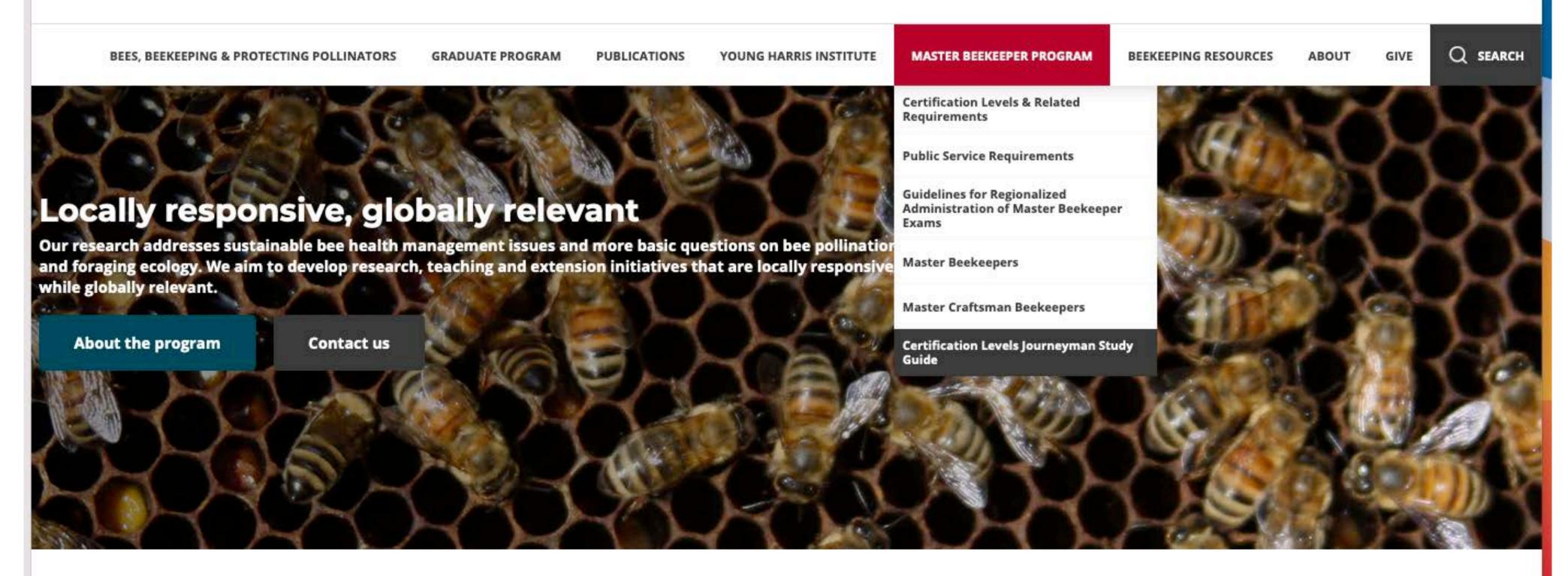




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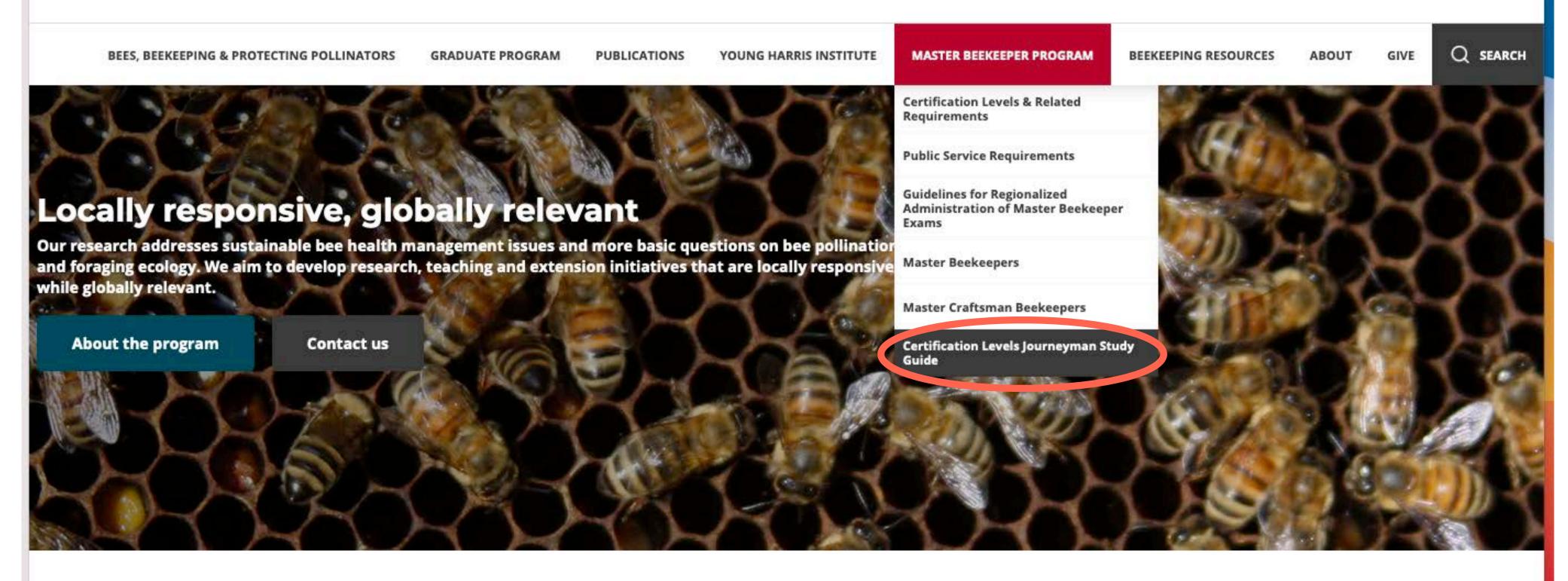
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2				Disorder identification #2
3				Disorder identification #3
4				Disorder identification #4
5				Disorder identification #5
6				Identify (by common name, adequate description, or taxonomically diagnostic character) the insects or insect artifacts in the case.

Questions 1-5 may include any of the following. Be prepared to distinguish samples that are both positive and negative for each disorder: Varroa mites, small hive beetles (SHB), Nosema spores, DWV, AFB, EFB, laying worker, drone layer, SHB larvae vs. wax moth larvae. Be prepared to name causative agent (if not same as disorder name) and recommended treatment.

Question 6 will include the following: honey bee worker, honey bee queen, honey bee drone, bumble bee, sweat bee, squash bee, carpenter bee, parasitic wasp, Vespula yellow jacket, Polistes paper wasp, Vespa hornet, cicada killer, leg with corbicula, leg without corbicula, mason bee, and 2 species of fly bee mimics.

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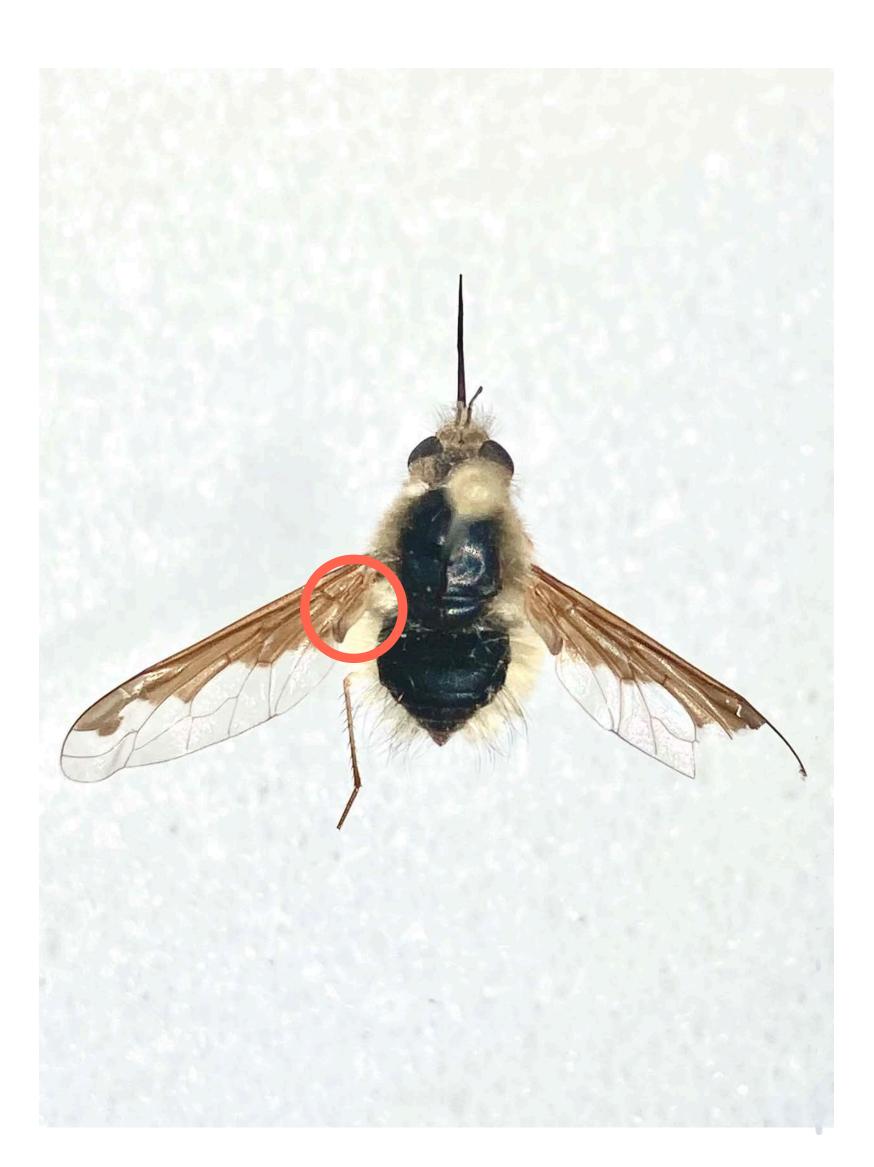






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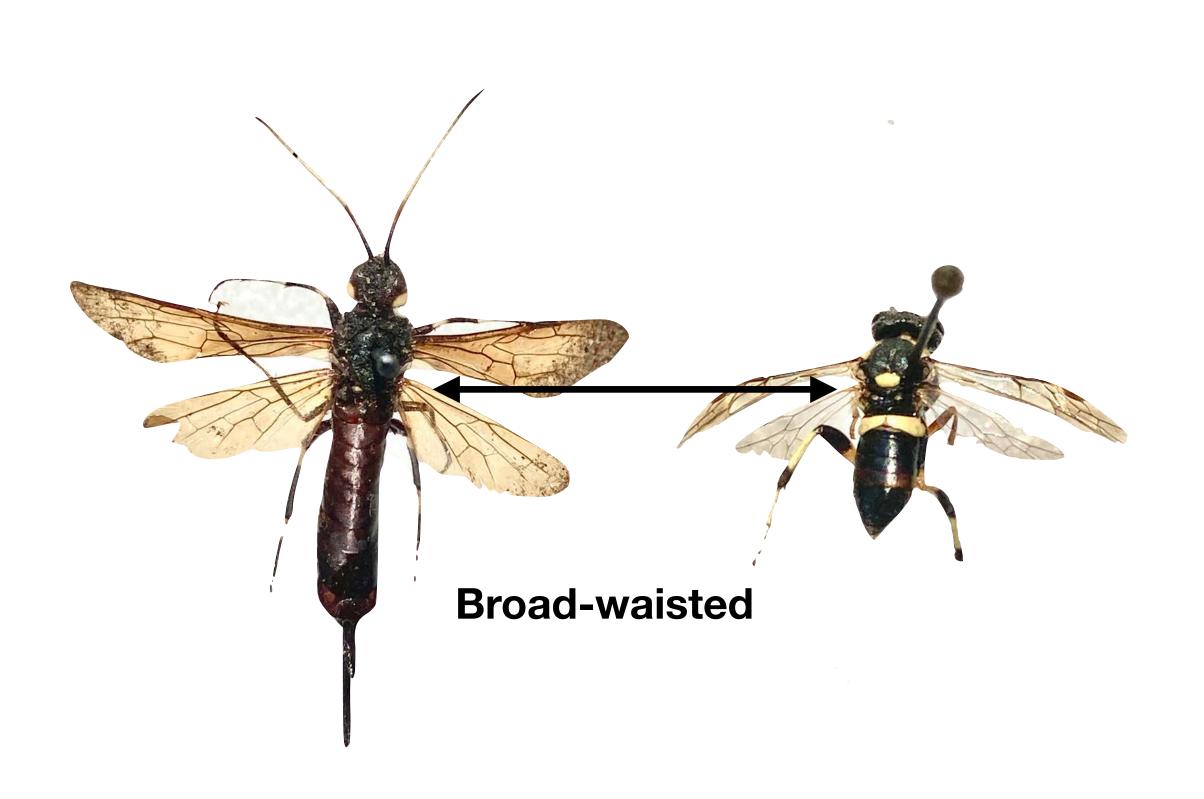


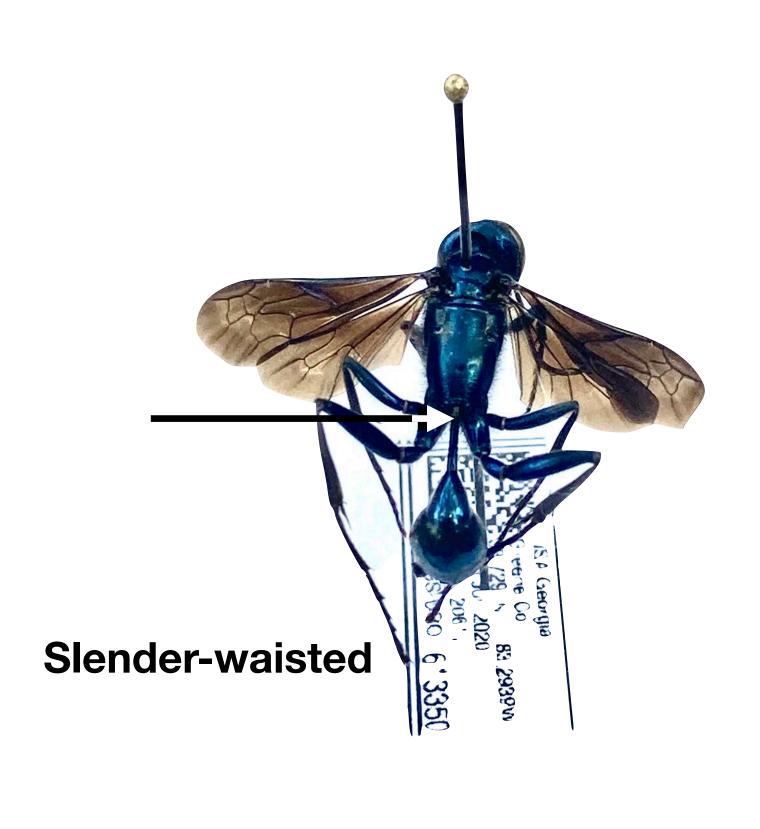
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Sawflies

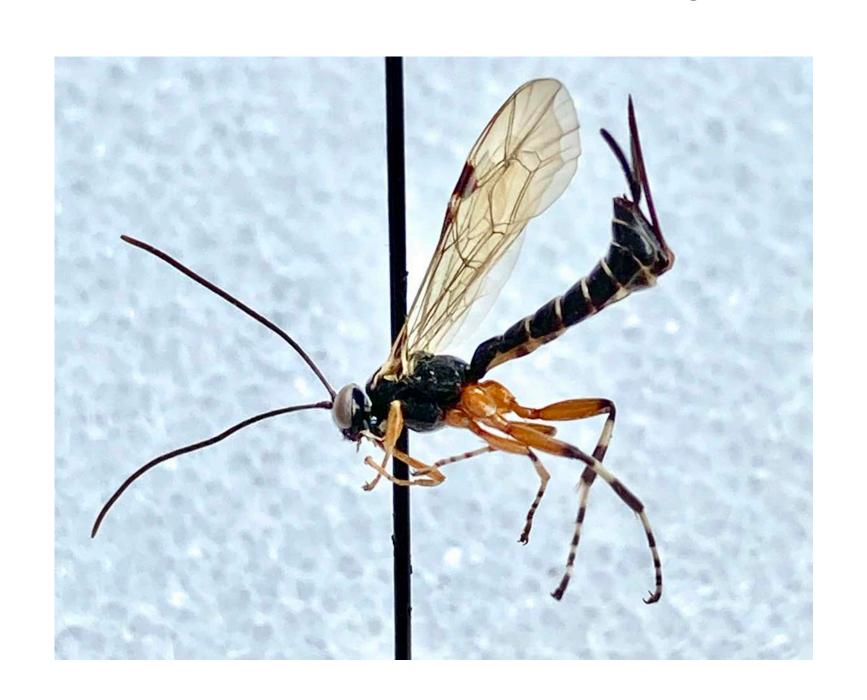
Apocrita



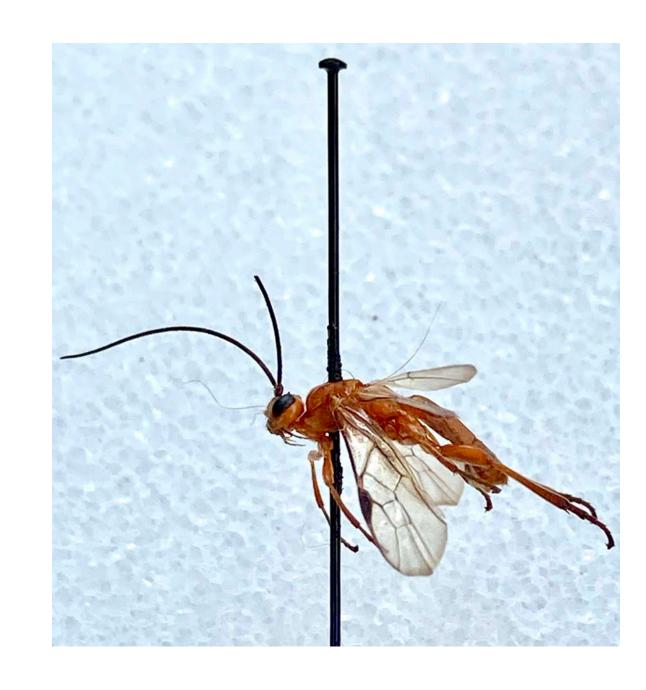


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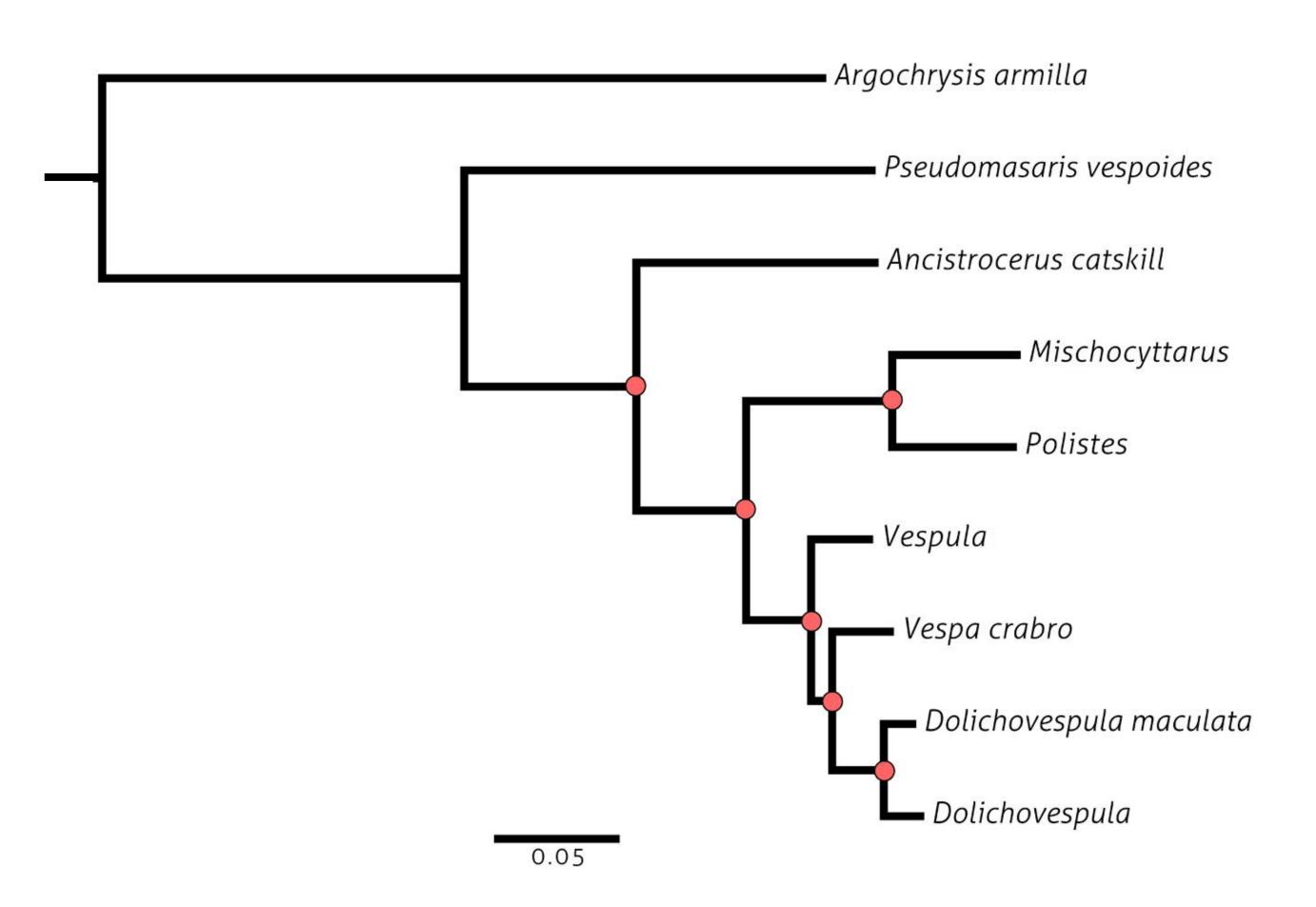
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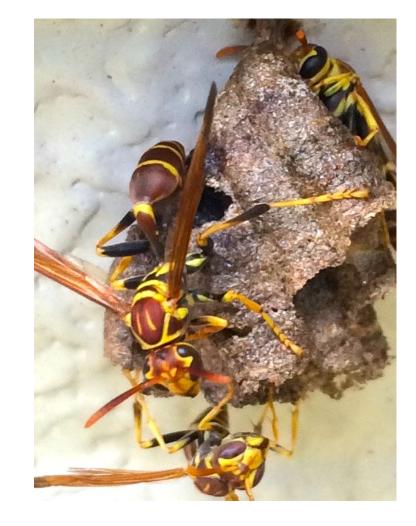
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Masarinae

Eumeninae

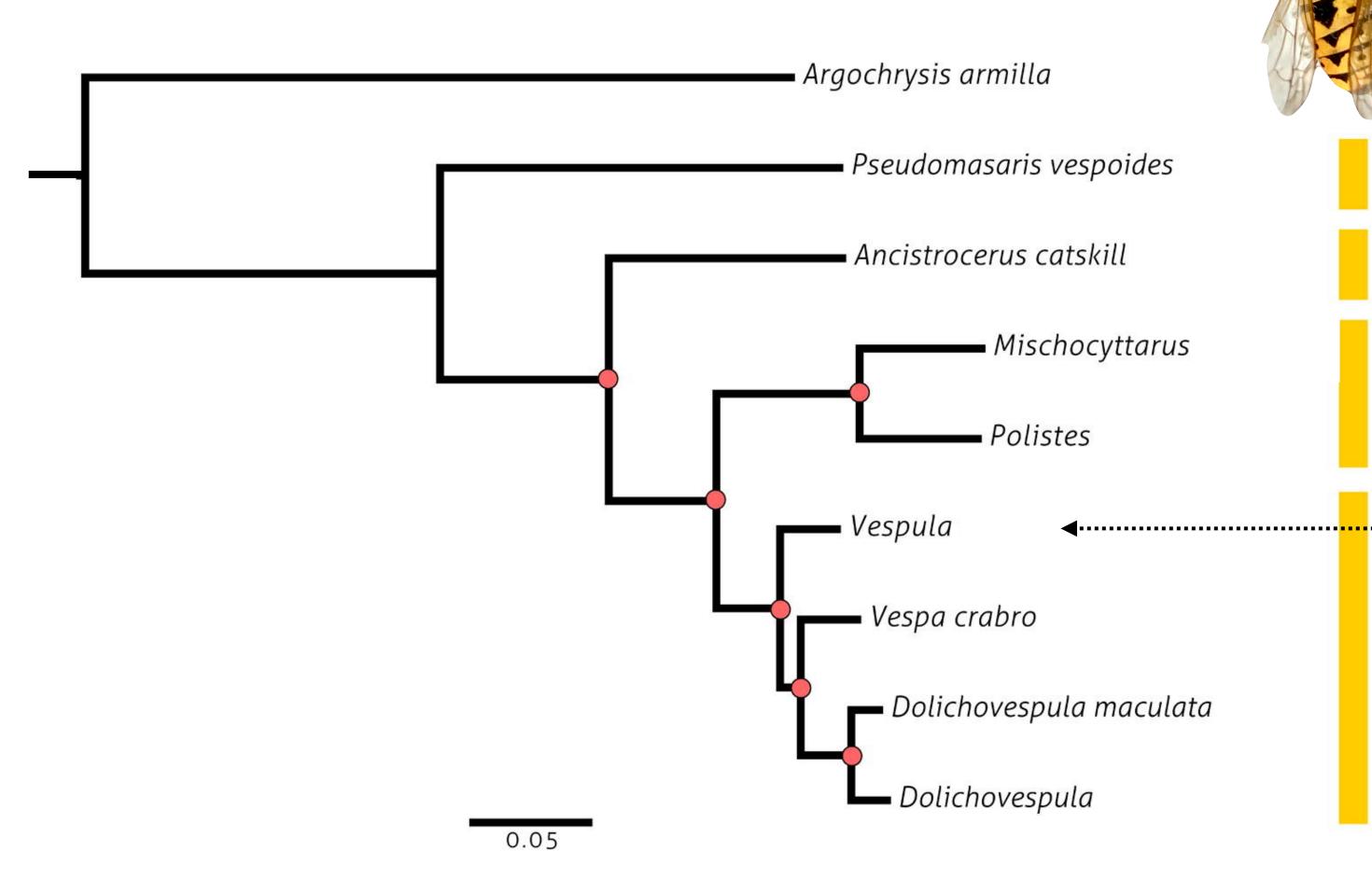
Polistinae ← Paper wasps

- Exposed paper nests
- Slender body
- Pronounced petiole

Vespinae

### Hymenoptera (yellowjackets)

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Masarinae

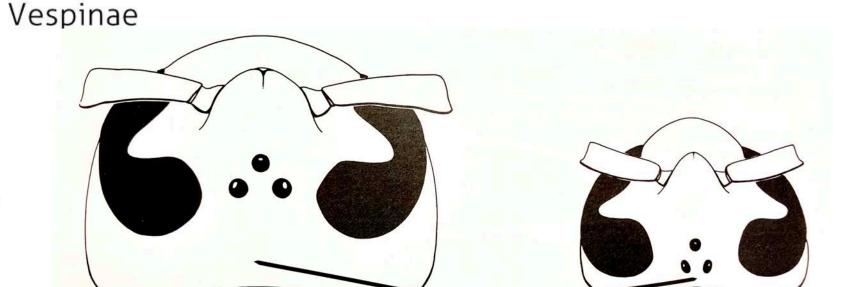
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Common yellowjackets, Vespula maculifrons, V. squamosa, V. vulgaris

- Subterranean nests
- Robust body
- Nearly hairless
- Workers small, < 1 inch
- Space between ocelli and back of head narrow (b)
- Strong black/yellow striping

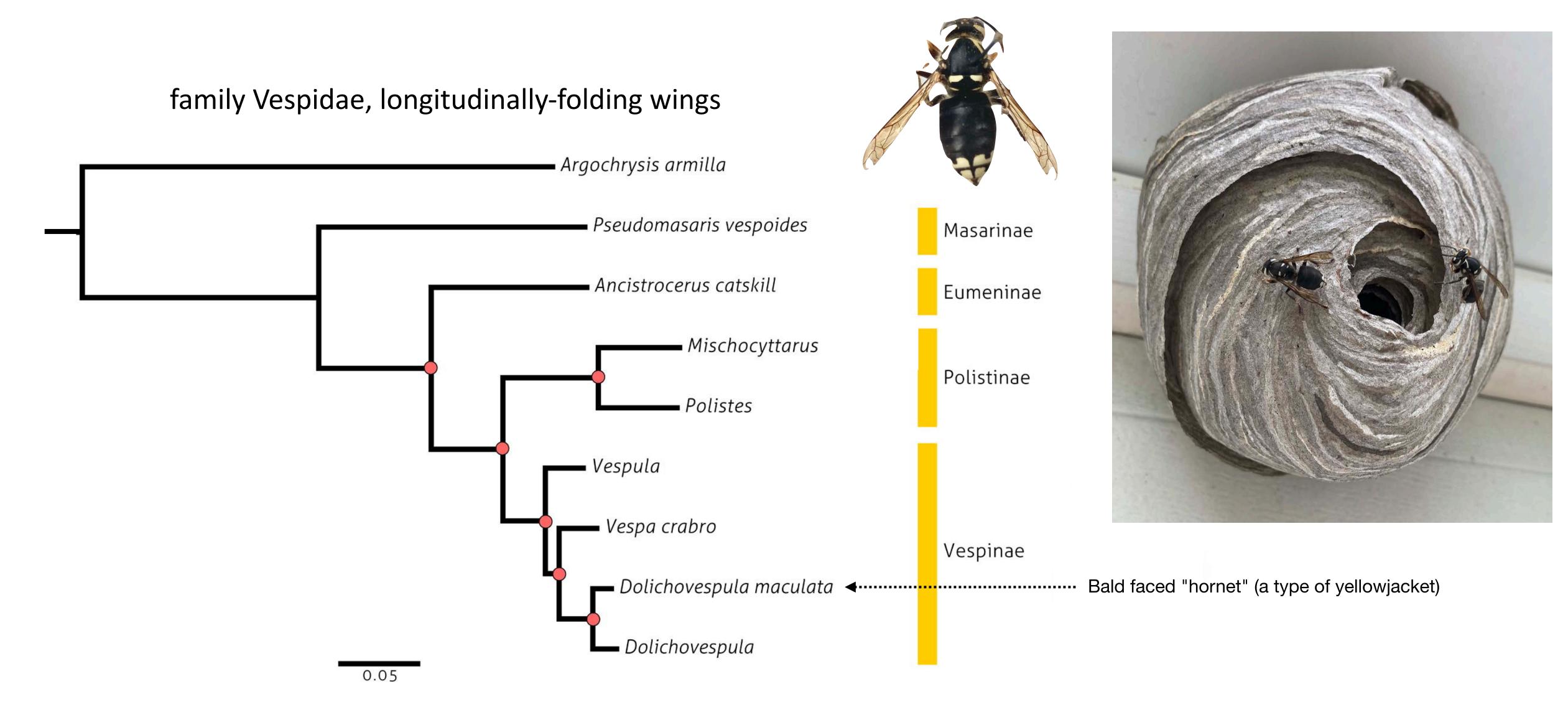
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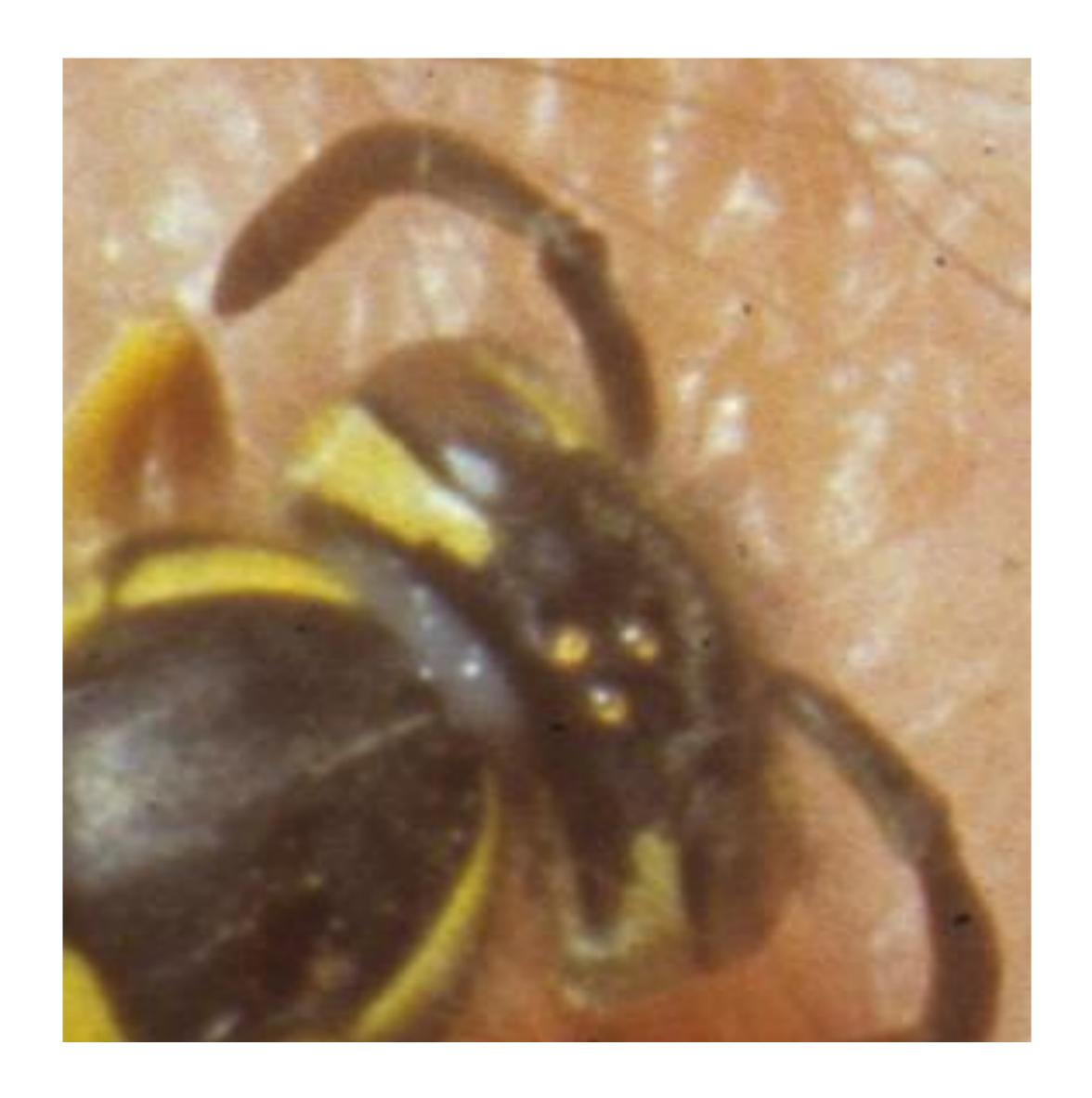
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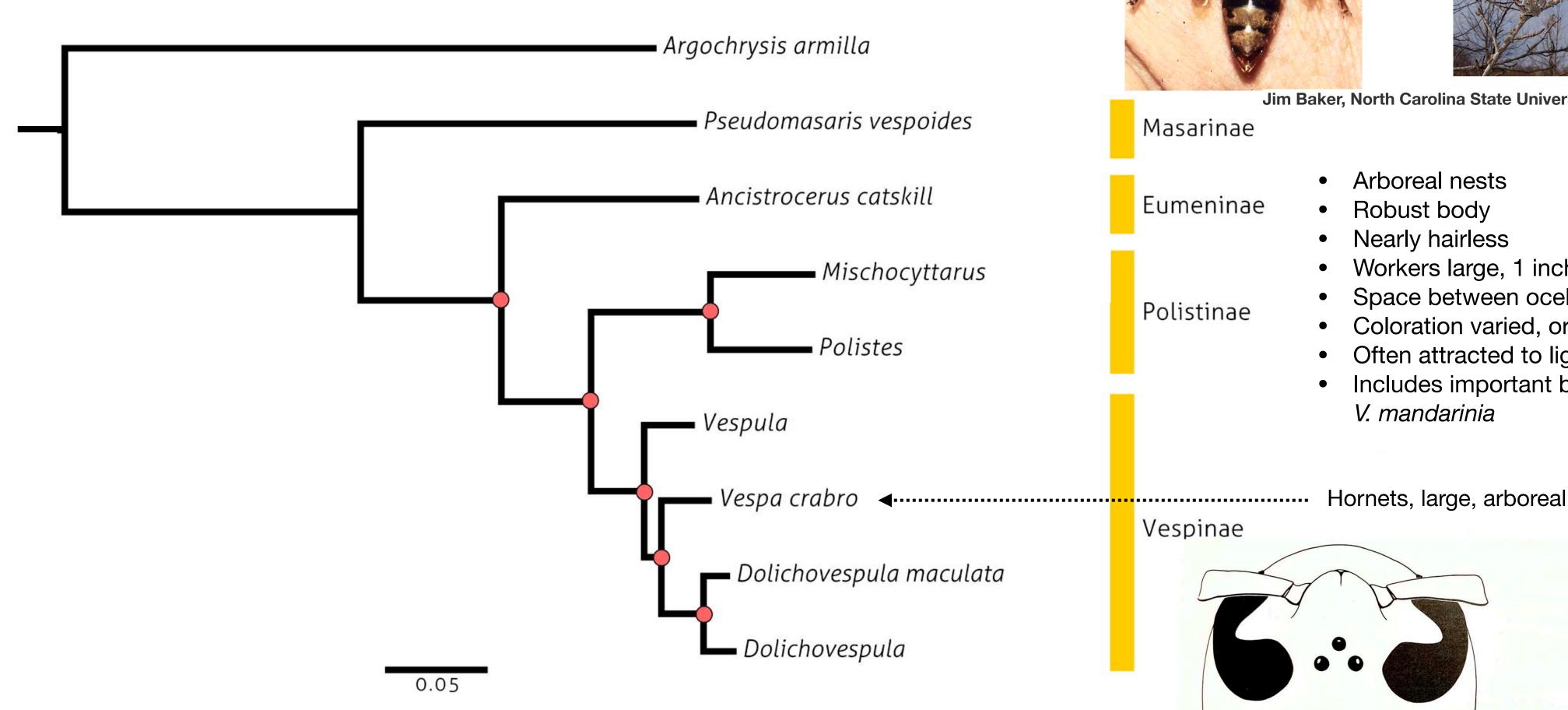
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#### Hymenoptera (hornets)









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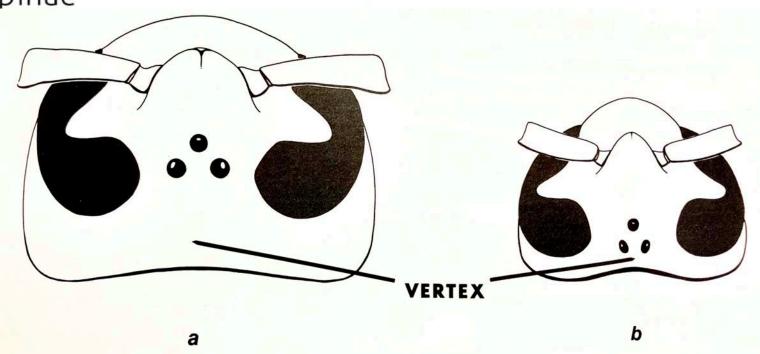
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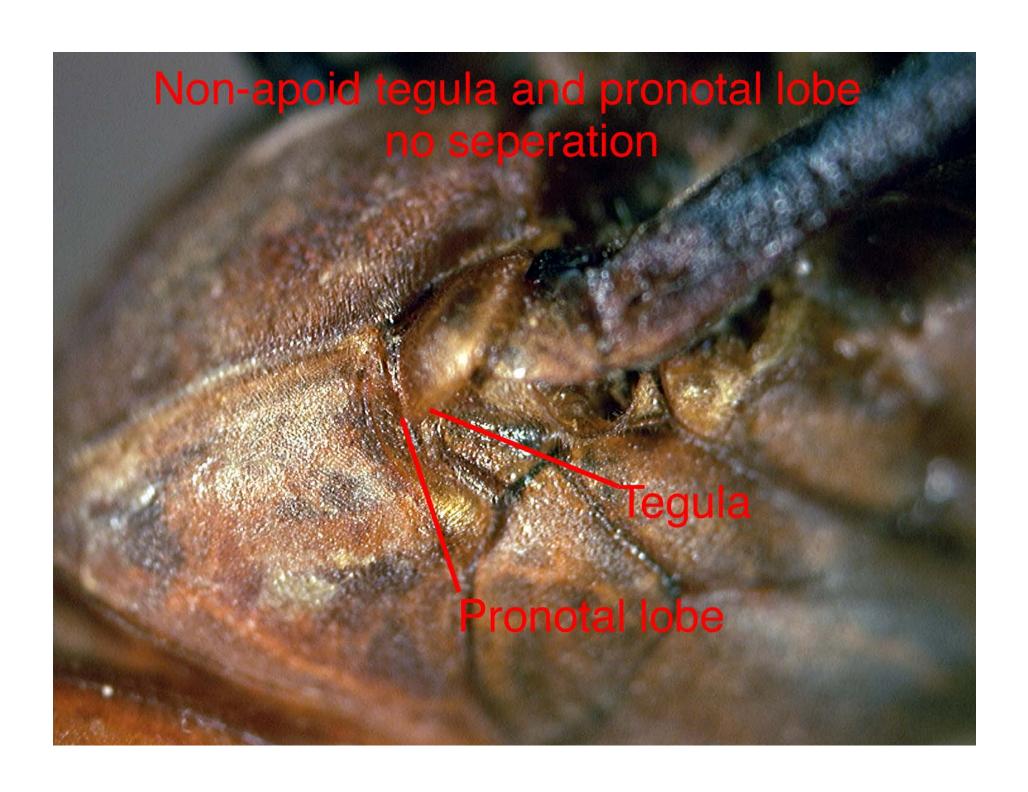
- Arboreal nests
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- Coloration varied, orange, yellow, brown
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Non-Apoid Vespidae, hunting wasps (many subfamilies)



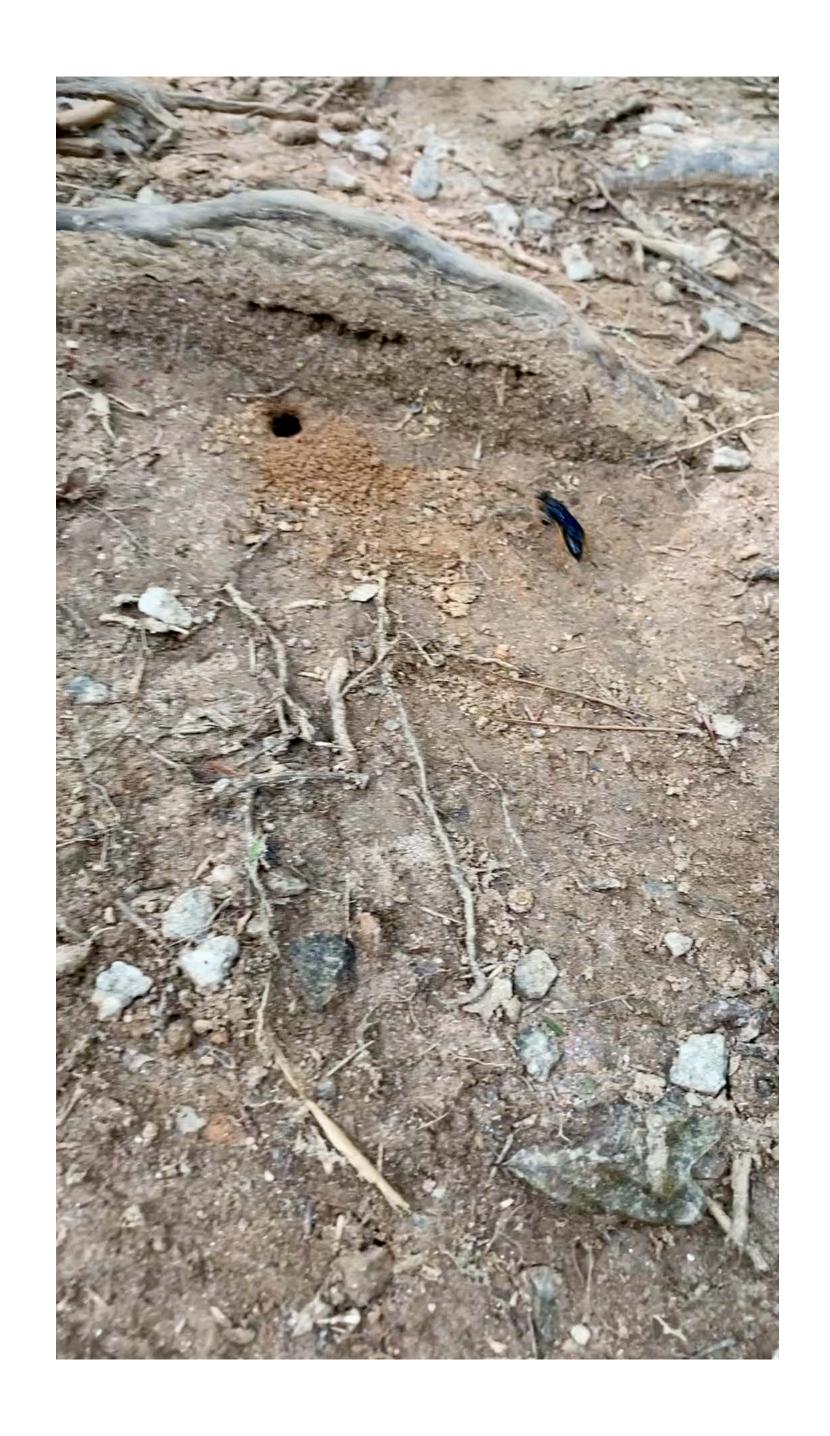
Apoid
Superfamily (Apoidea)
including Sphecoid wasps and
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# Spheciform wasps

No scopae, few hairs on body, wings don't fold longitudinally Digging wasps





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#### Cicada killers

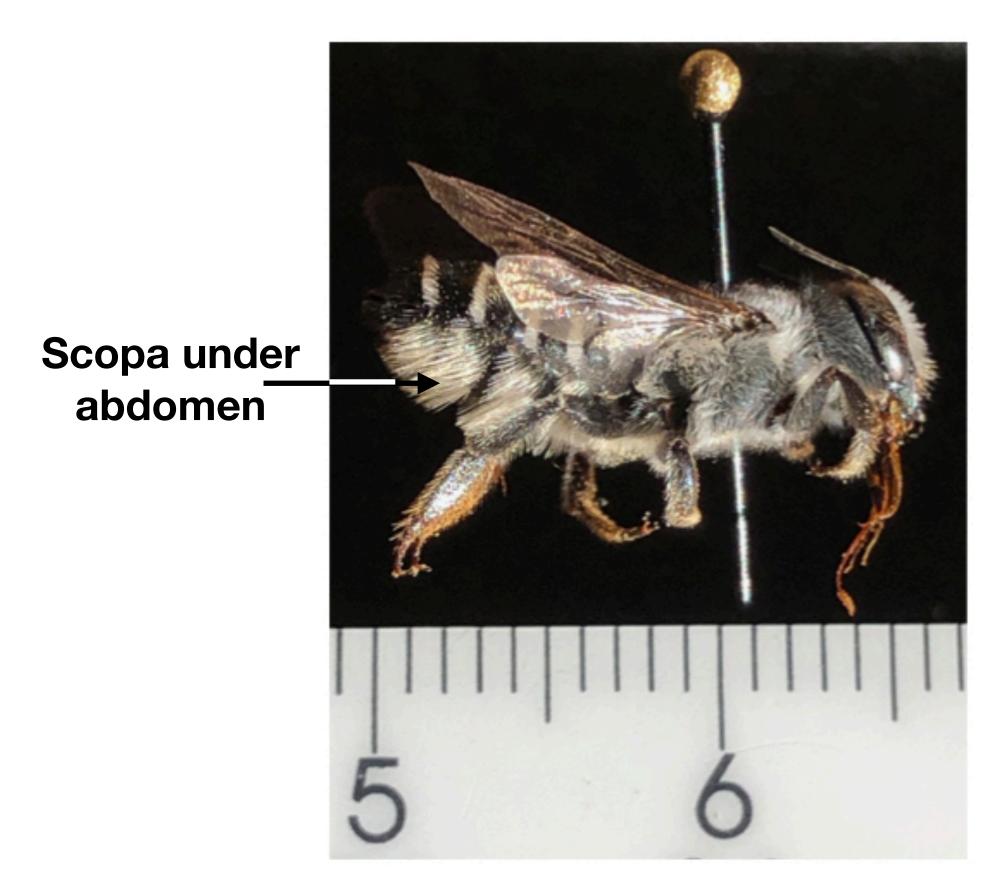


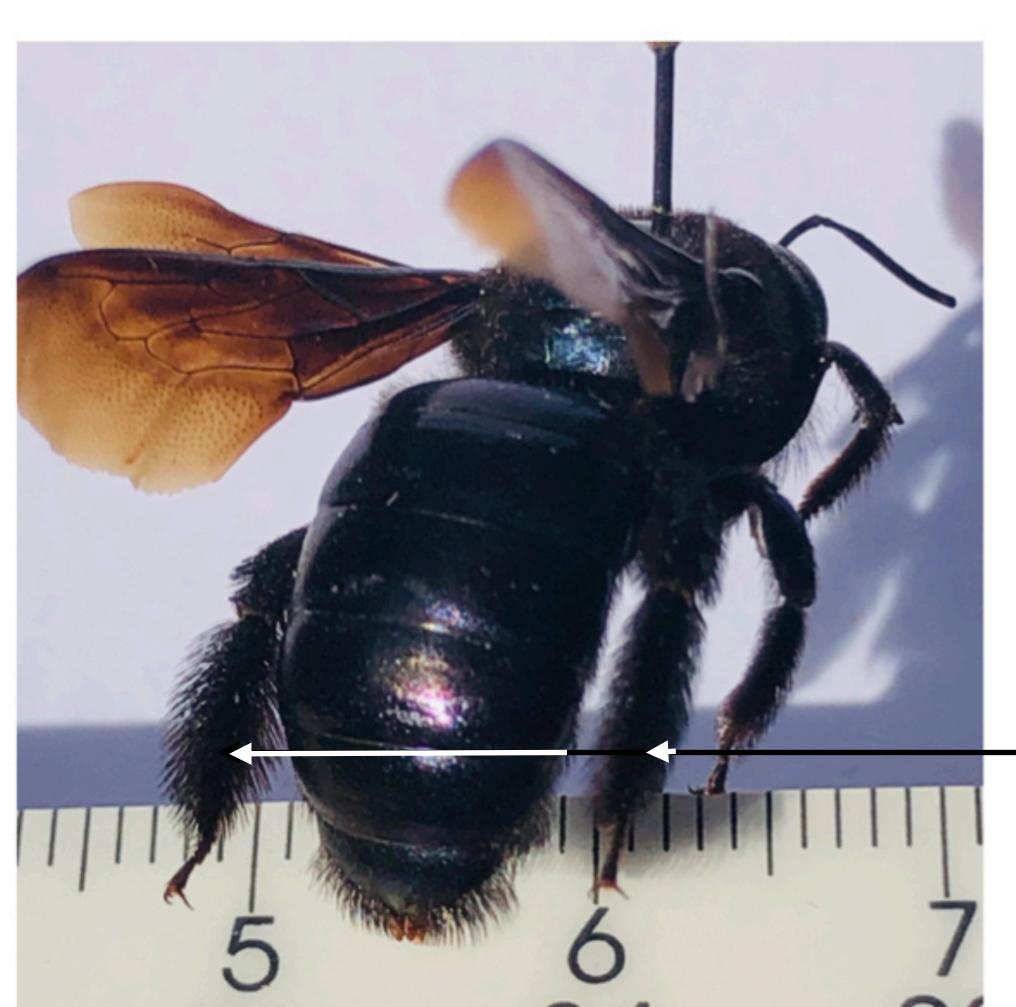


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#### Hairs or leg processes for carrying pollen



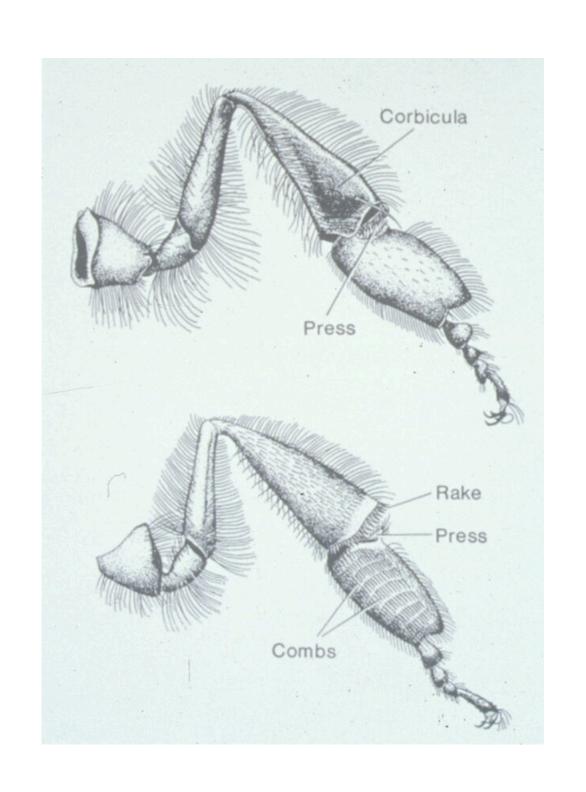


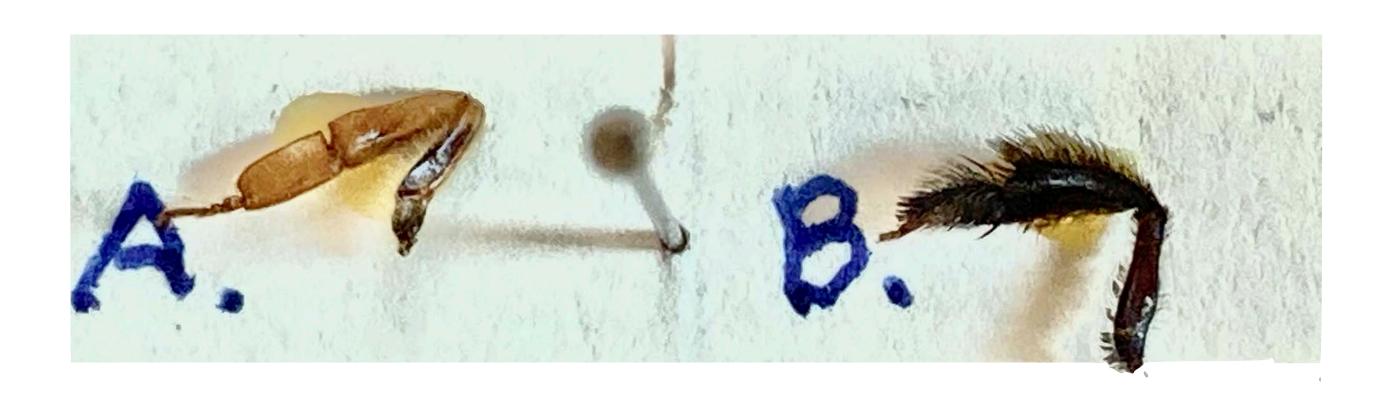
Scopae on legs

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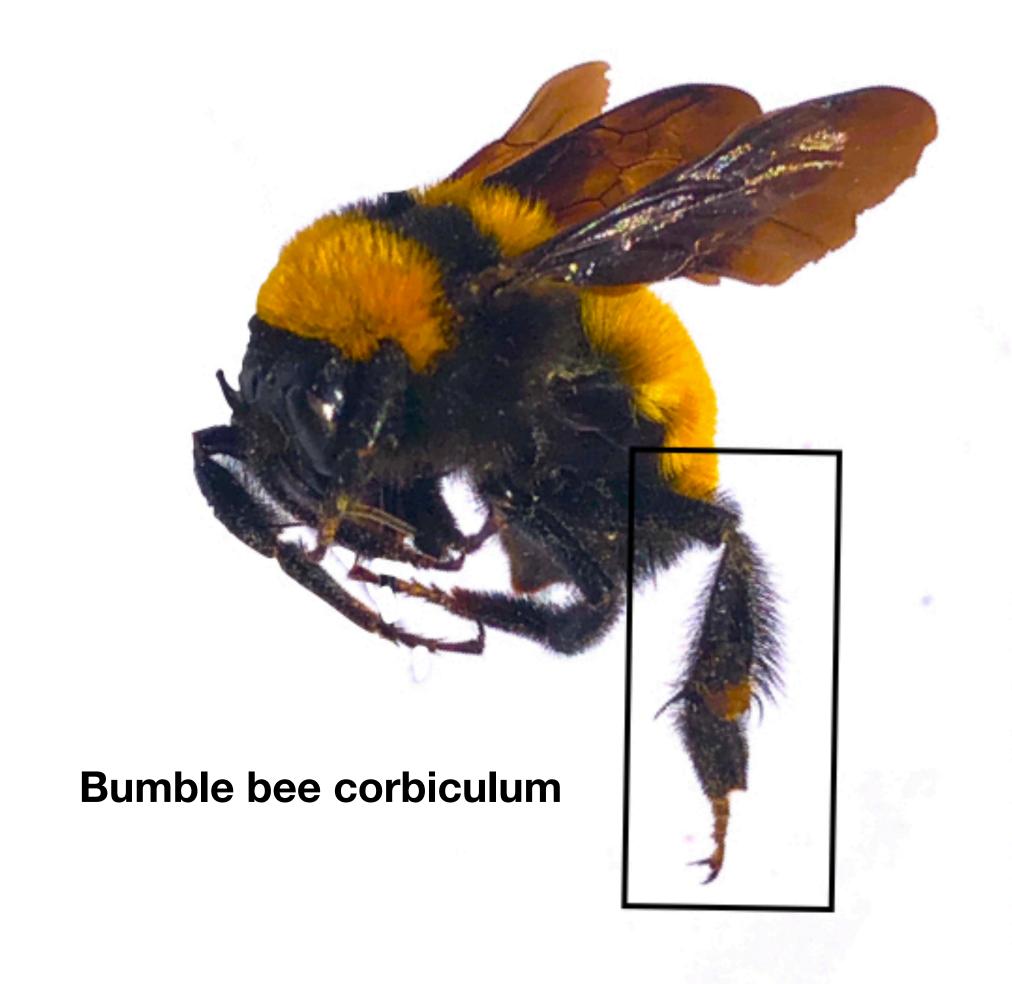
## Corbiculum

A leg scopa specialized with a concave tarsum, combs, and pollen press is a *corbiculum* 





a: corbiculum of honey bee, b: non-corbiculate leg scopa





Honey bee corbiculum







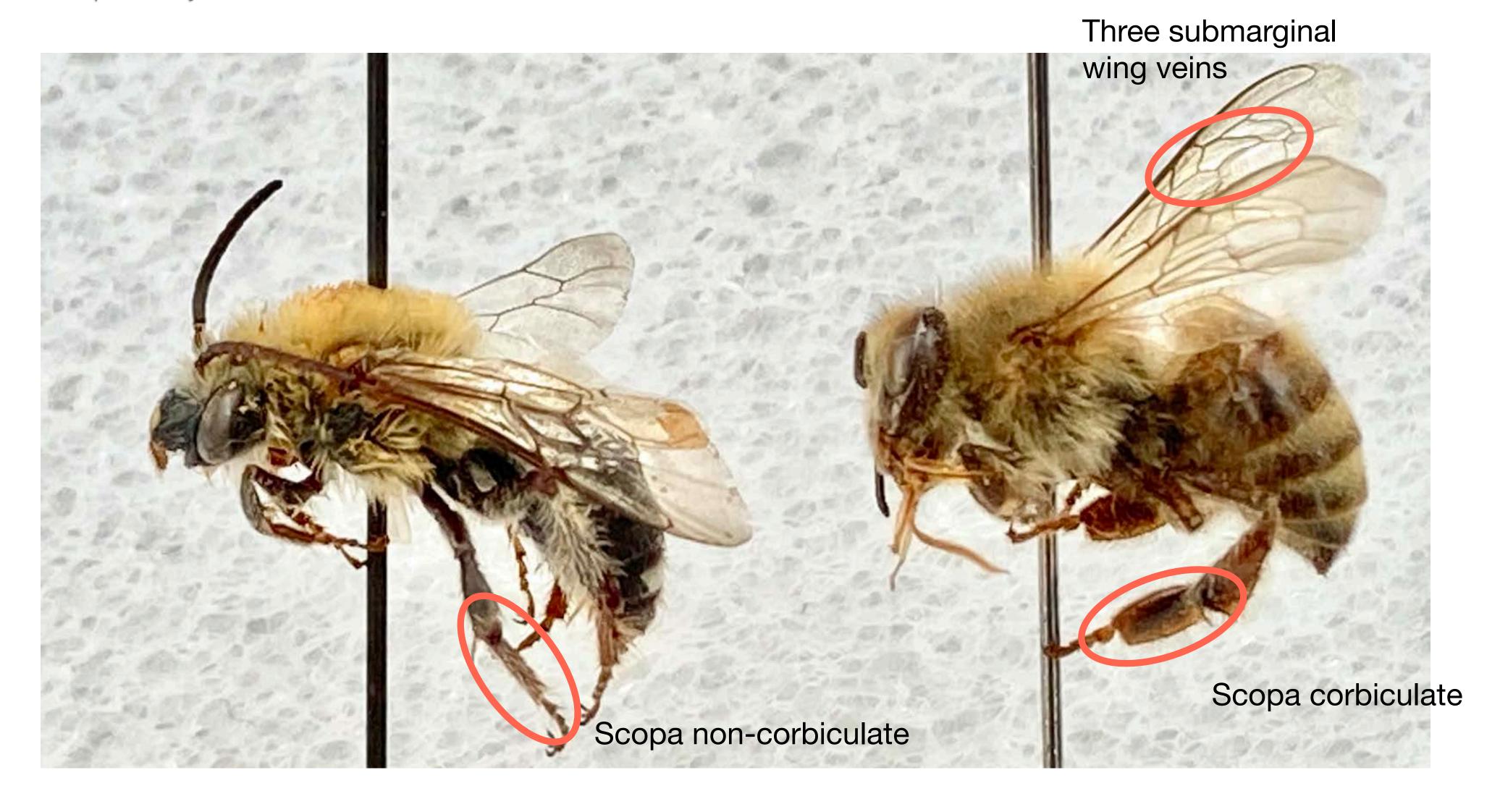
Squash bee

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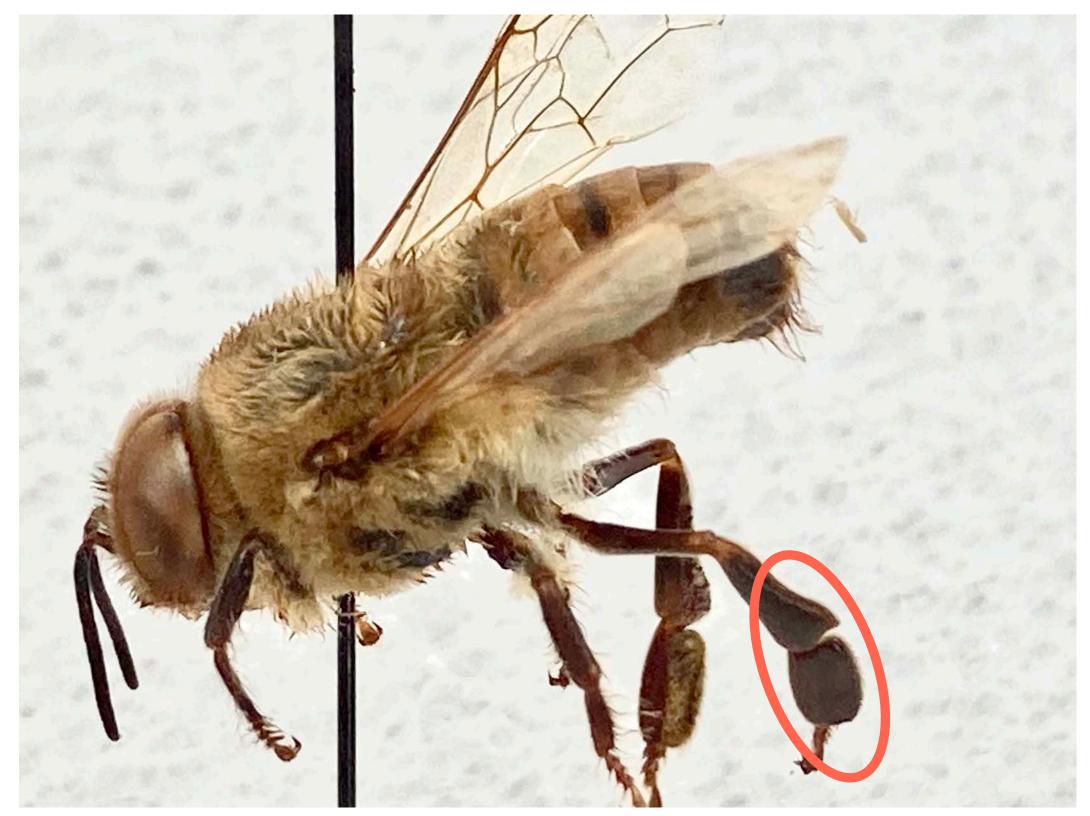
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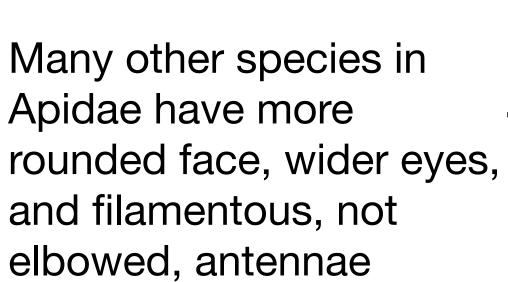
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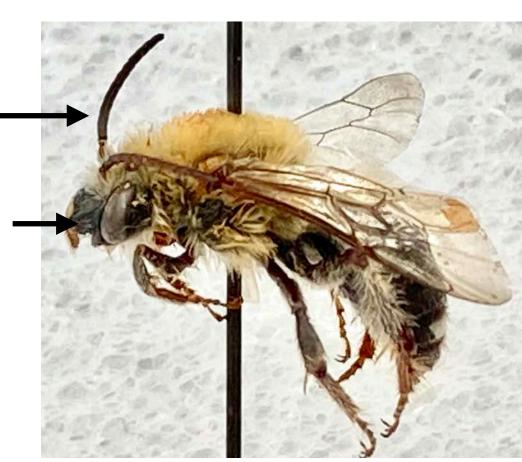
Honey bee drone

Corbiculum has been secondarily lost in the queen, but not in the drone!

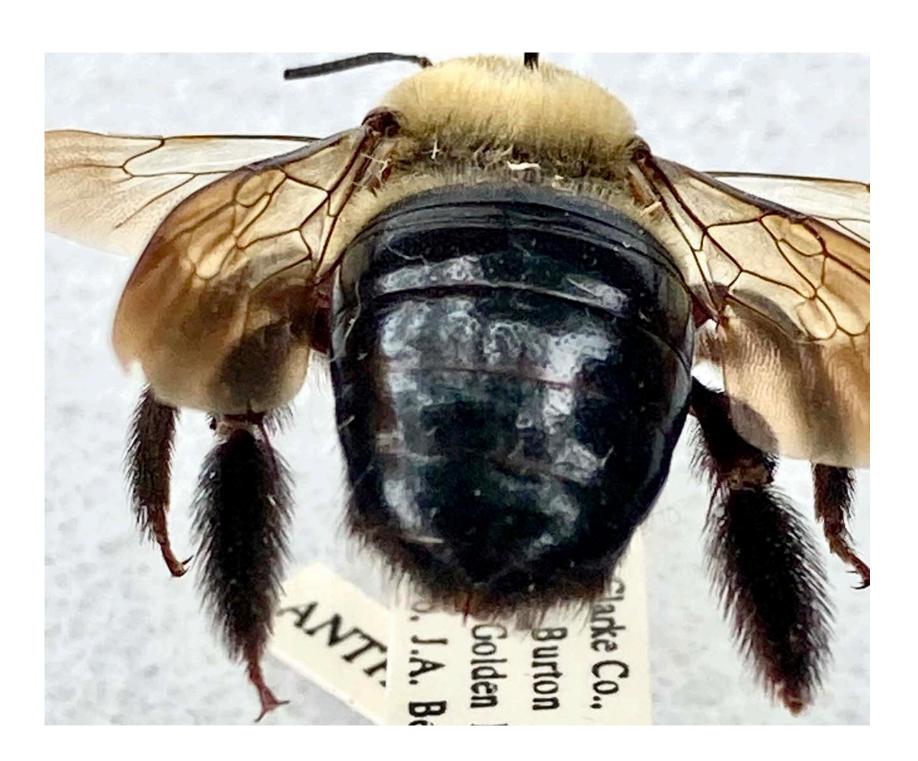








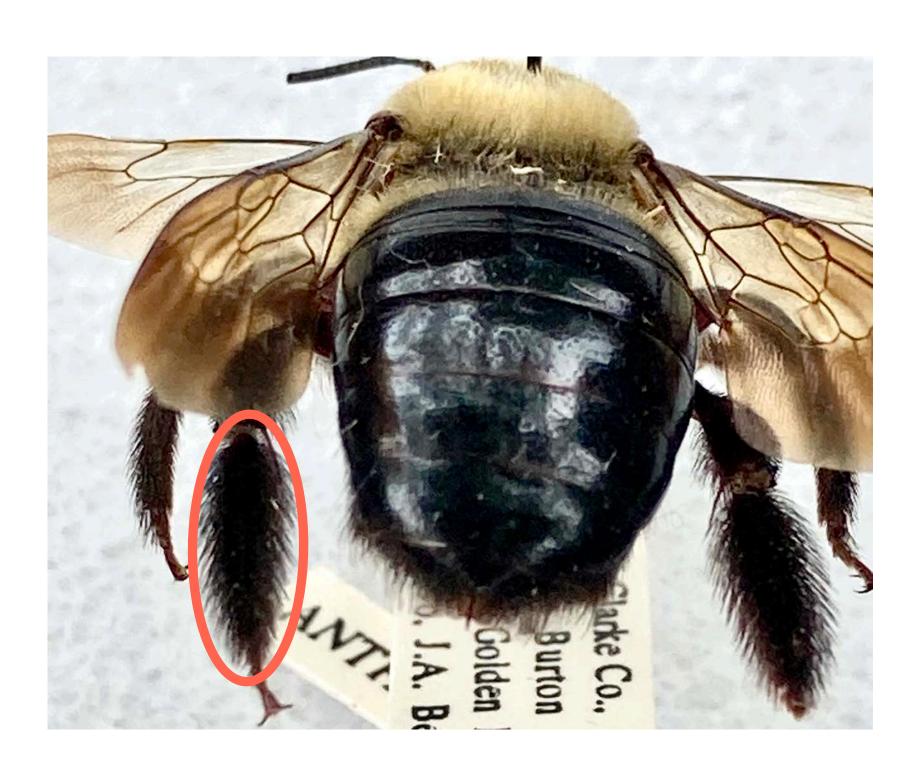




Bumble bee queen

Carpenter bee





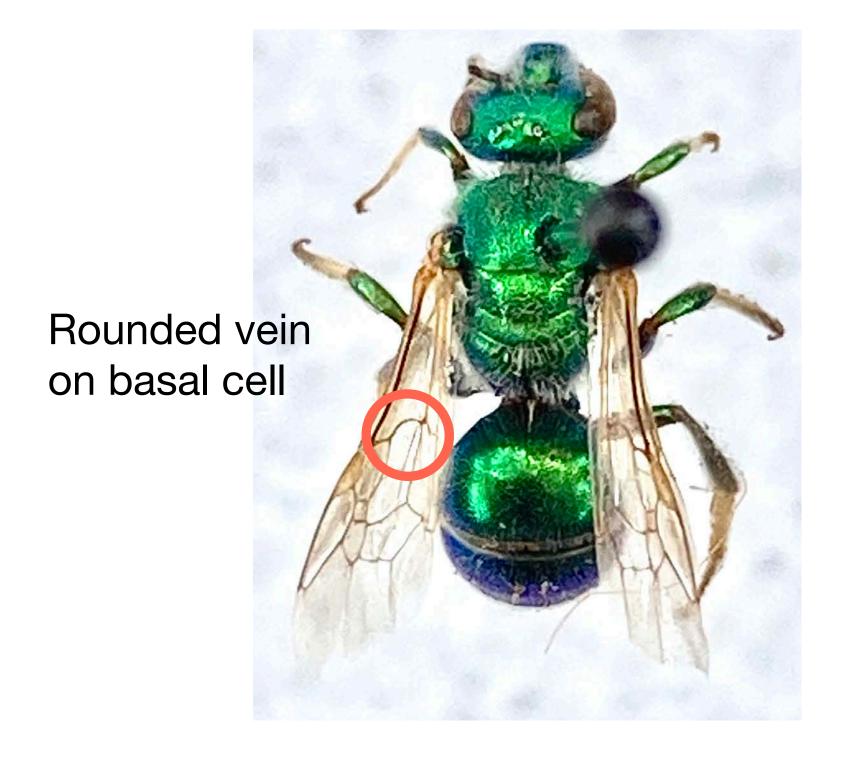
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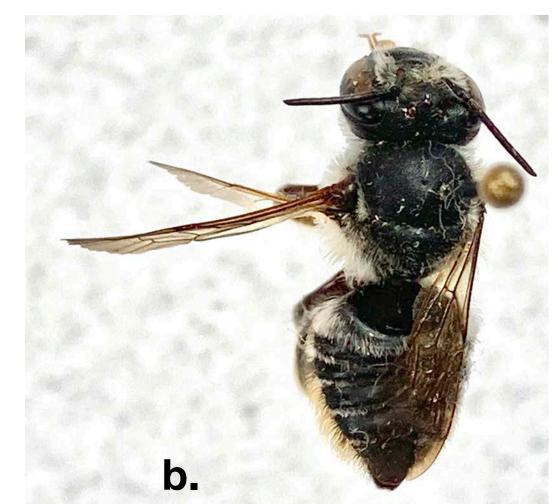




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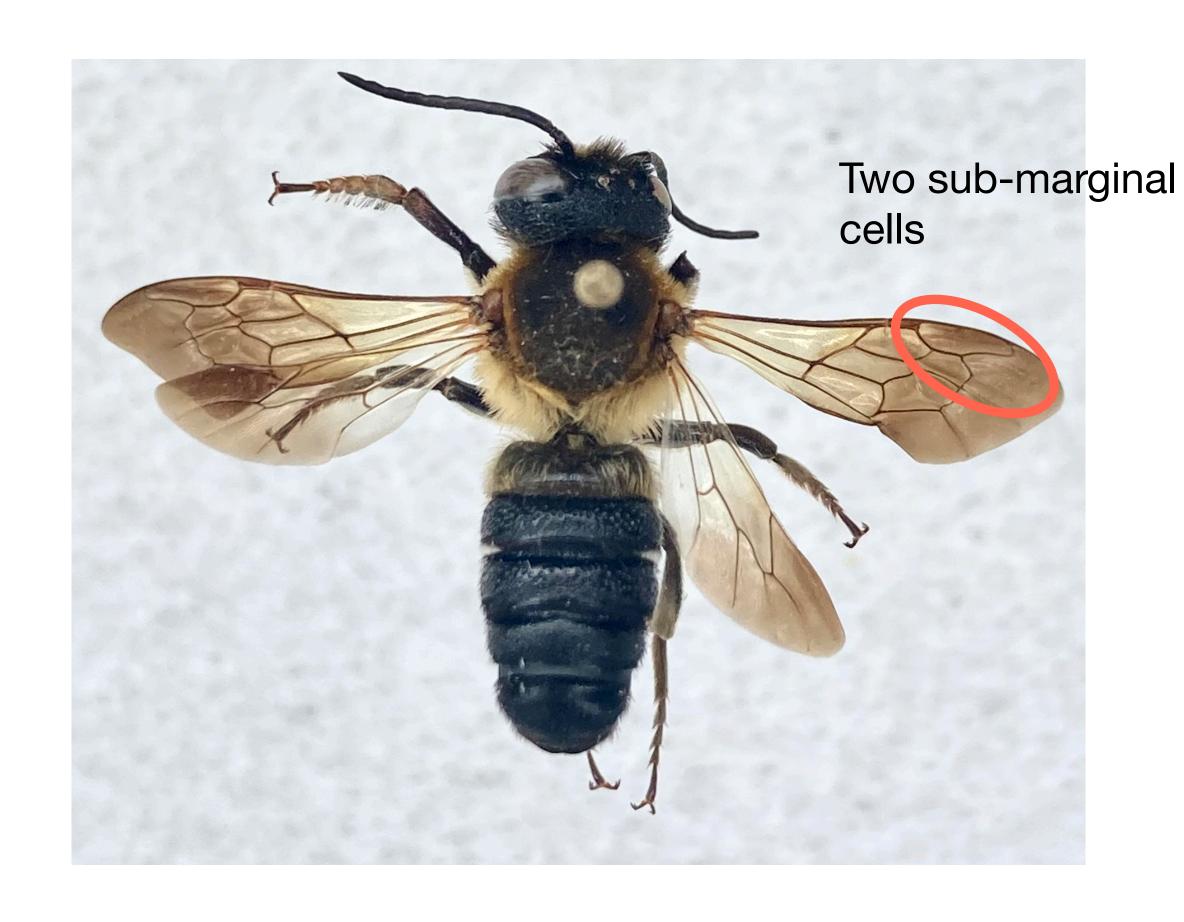
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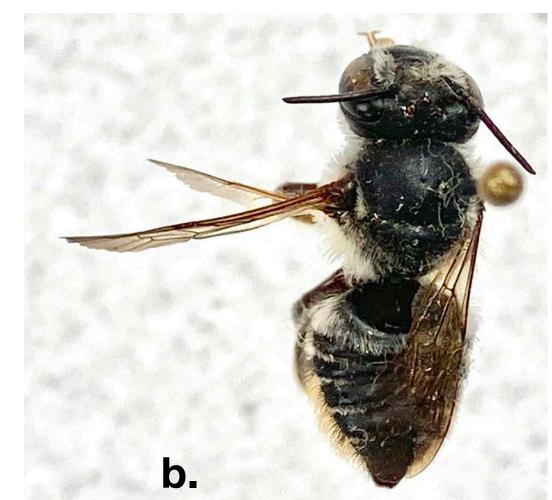


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Mason bees







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Ventral abdominal scopa common

## Mason bees