















































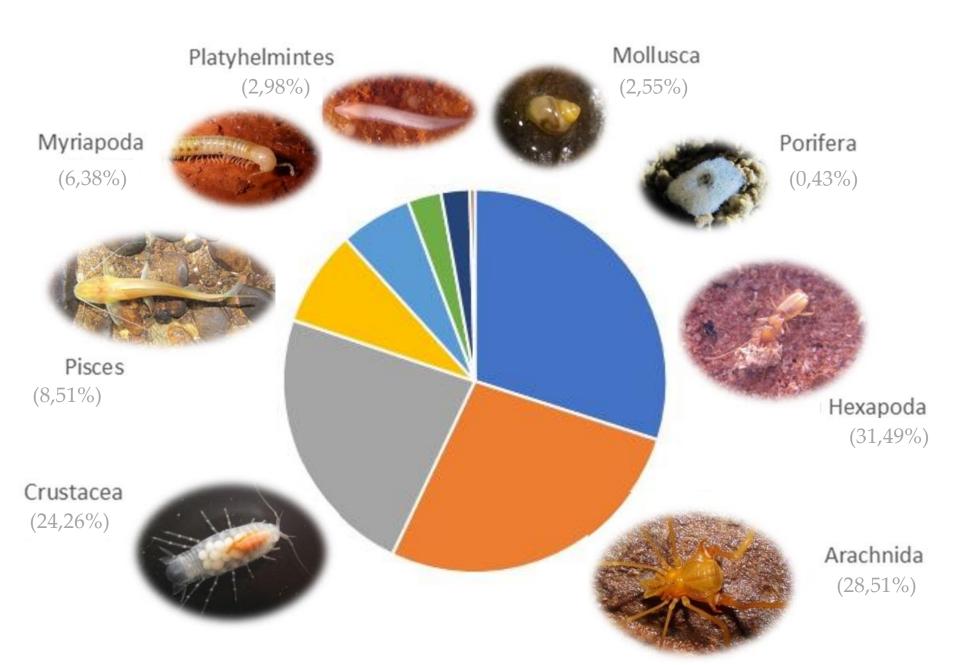








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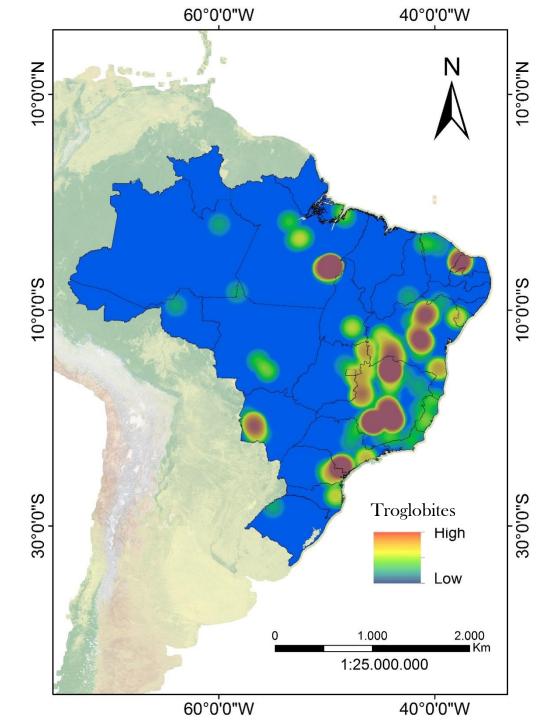
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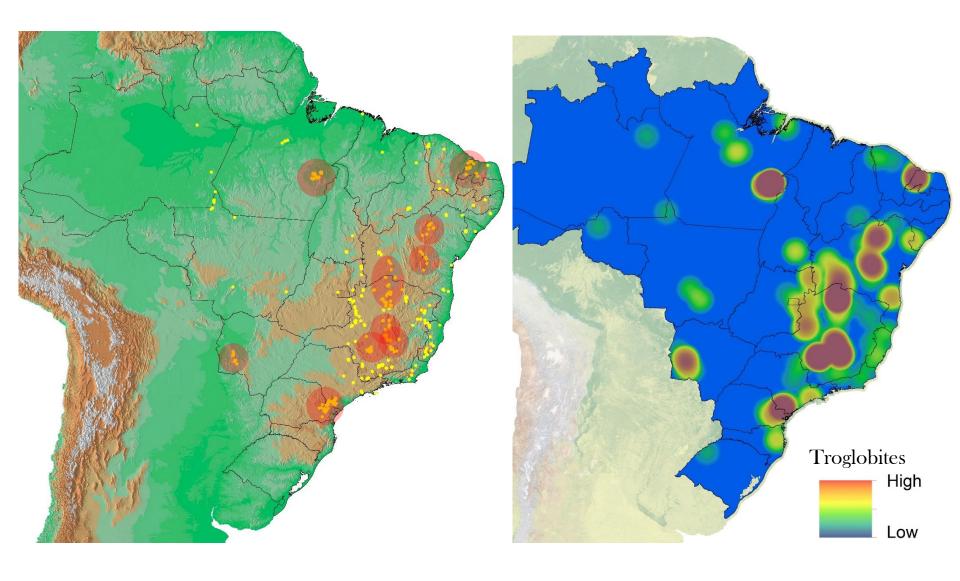
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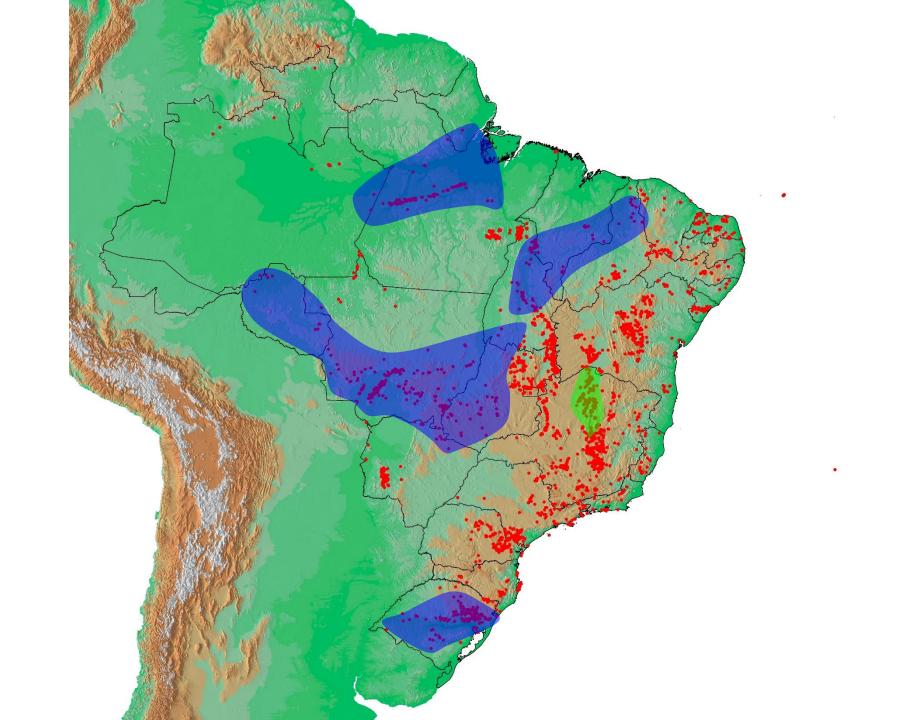


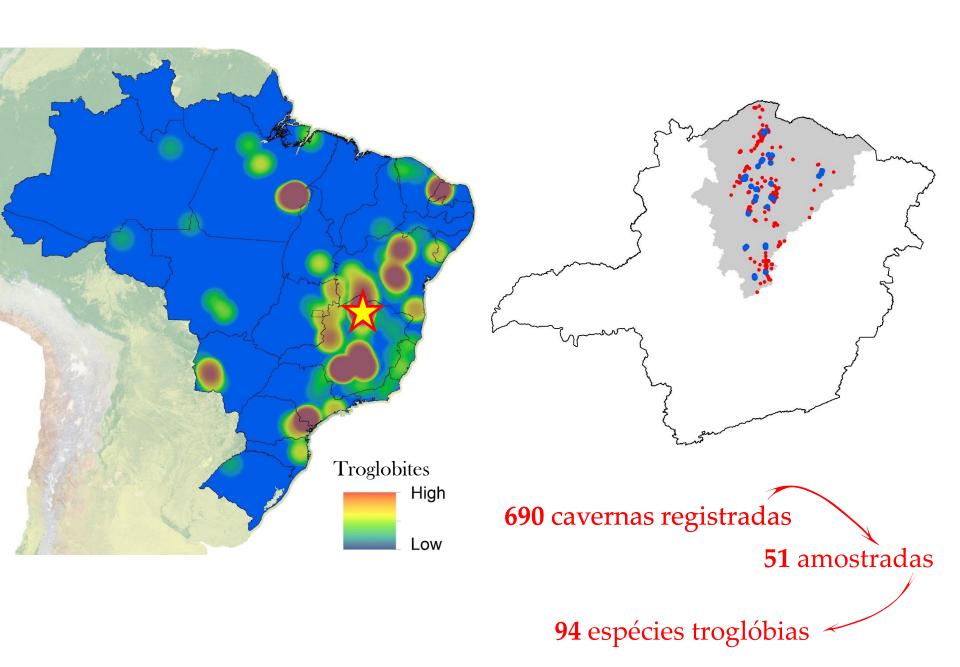










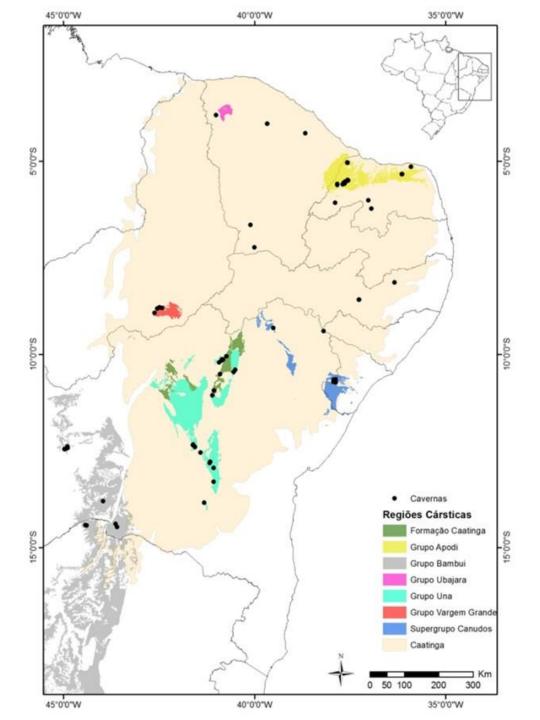


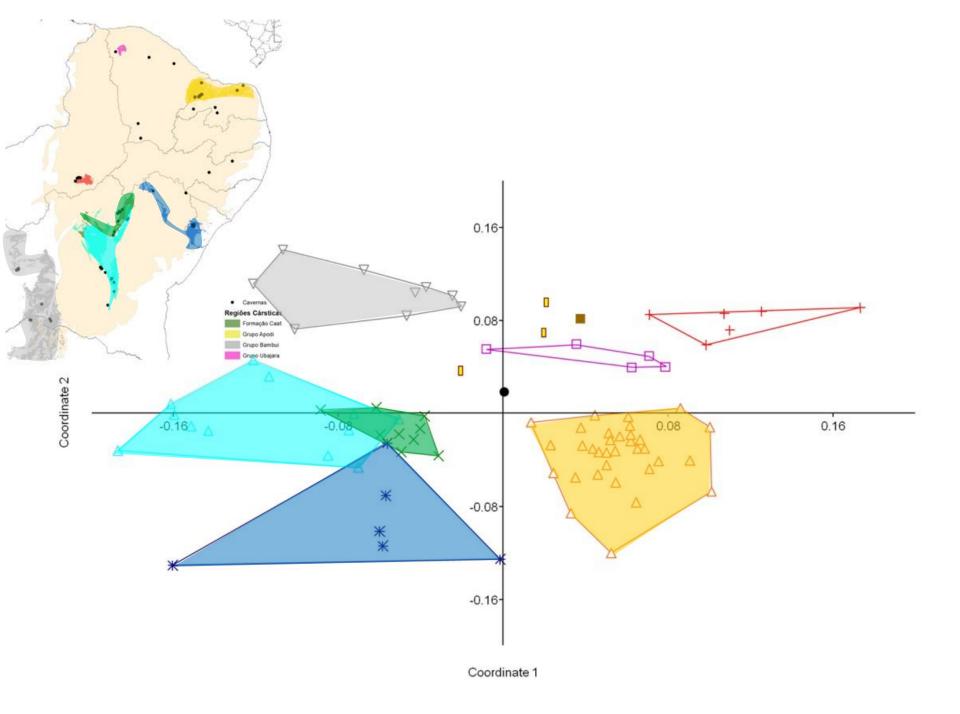


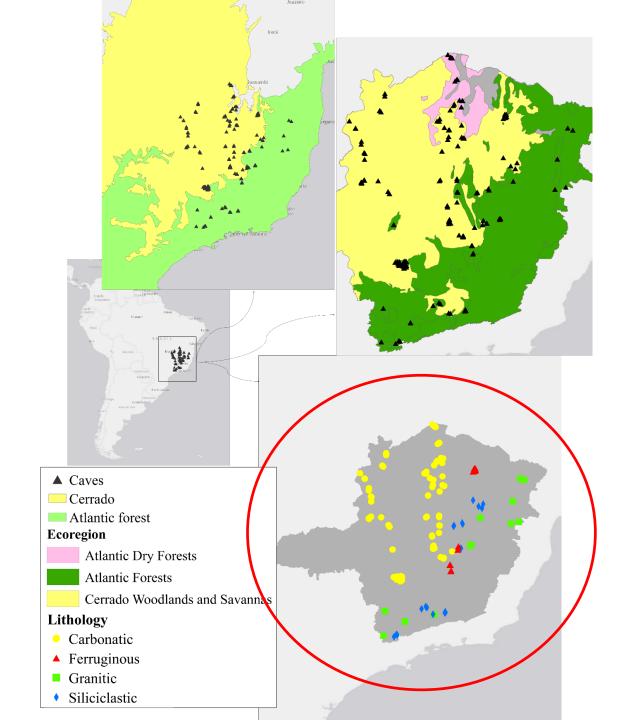
Mas, de fato, como as universidades podem contribuir para a tomada de decisões em relação à conservação das cavernas?

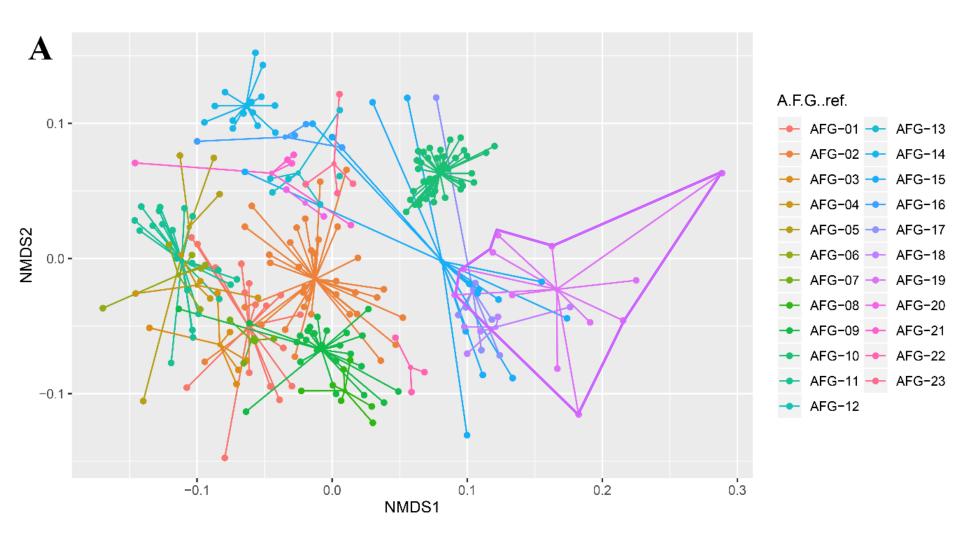


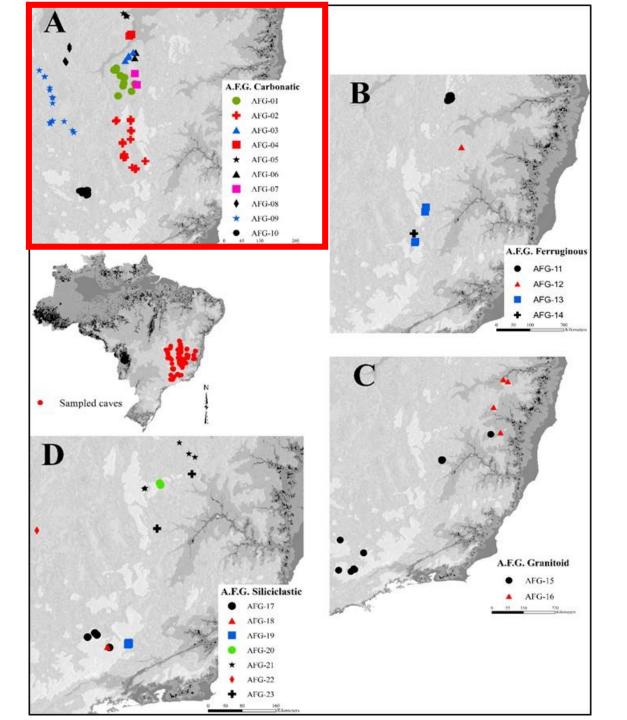


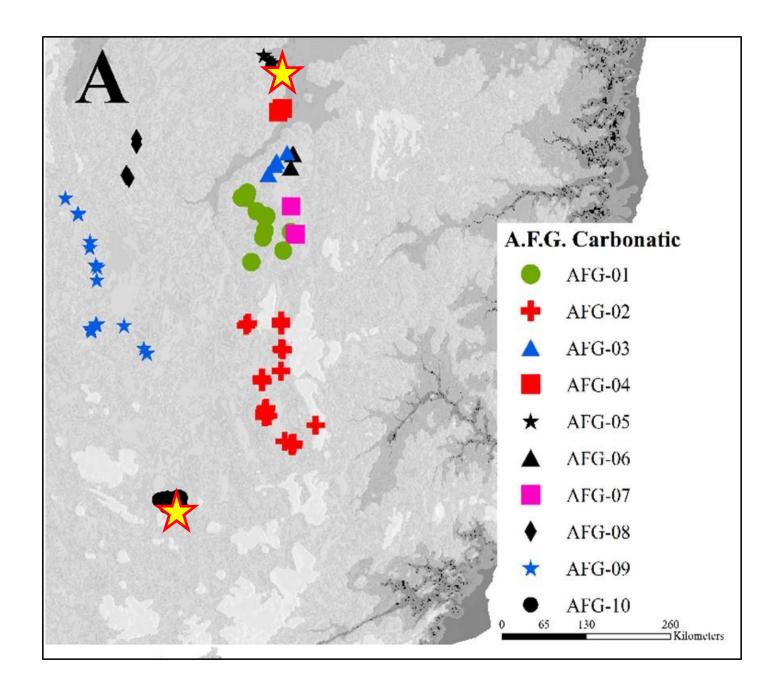






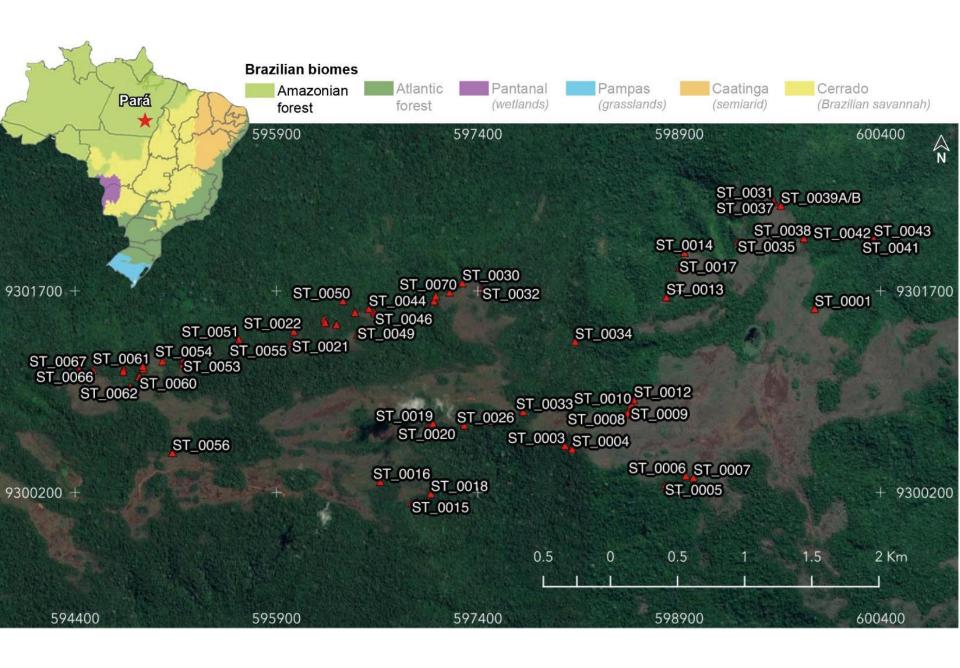


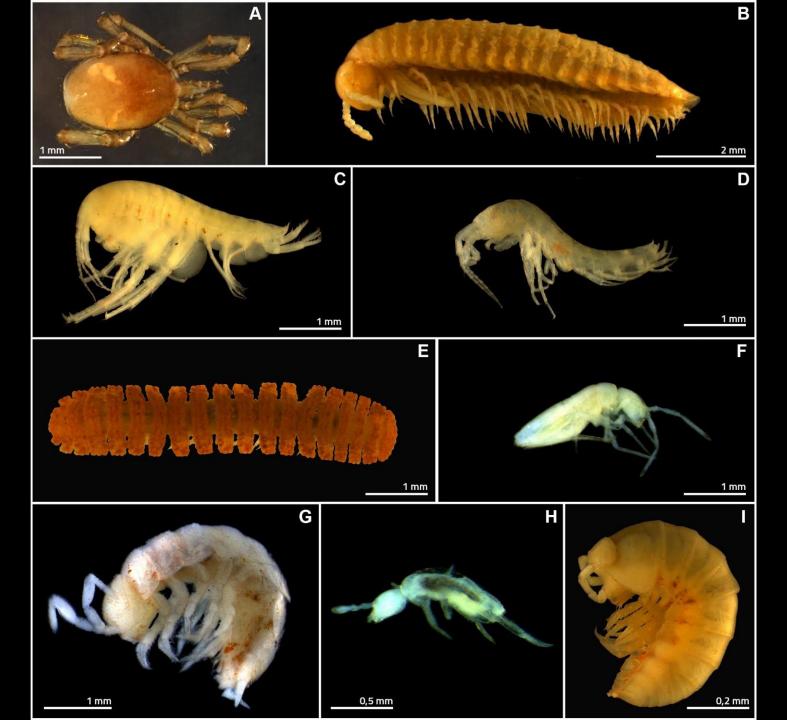


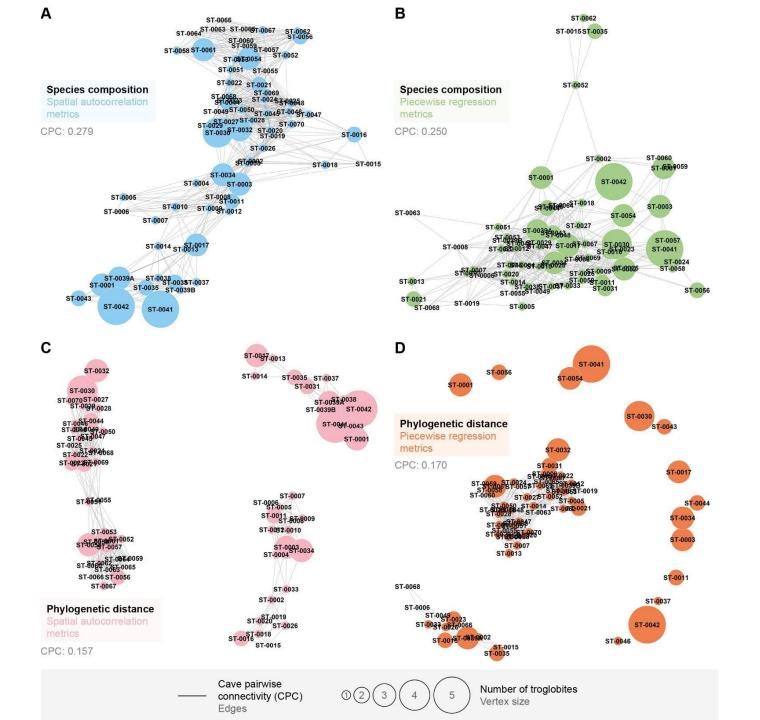




Como pode ser definida a área de influência de uma caverna?

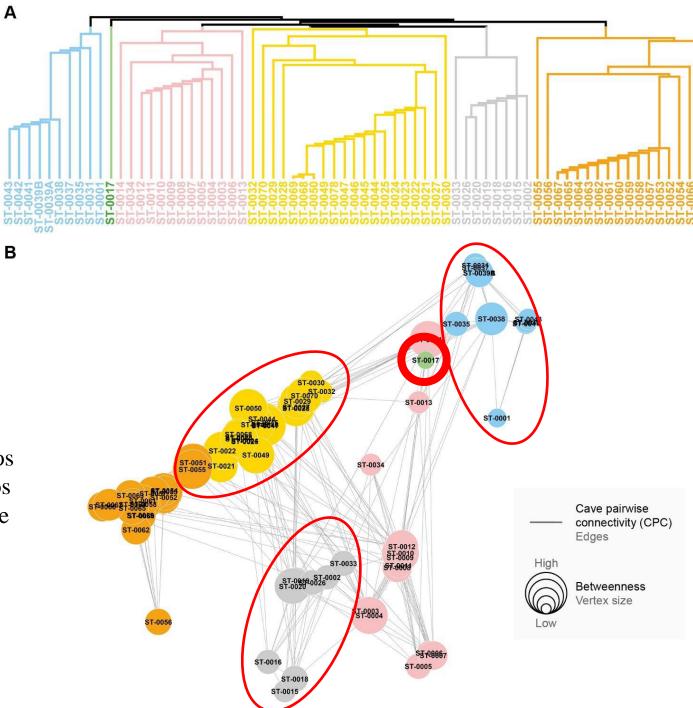




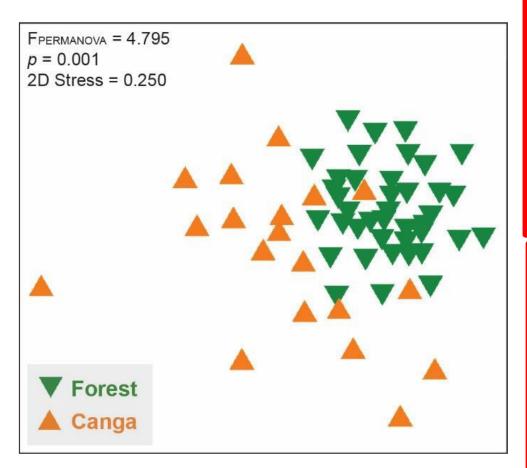


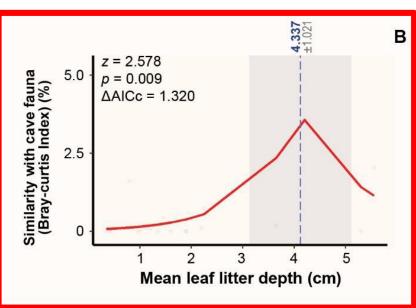
Os modelos indicaram que as características da paisagem e do habitat são mais importantes do que a distância geográfica na determinação de padrões de similaridade entre cavernas.

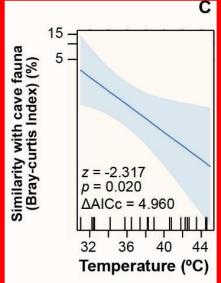
Mesmo em aglomerados densamente interligados existem cavernas que se destacam por abrigar uma **fauna exclusiva** e/ou por apresentar **habitats específicos**.

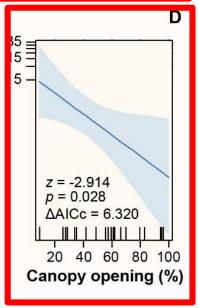


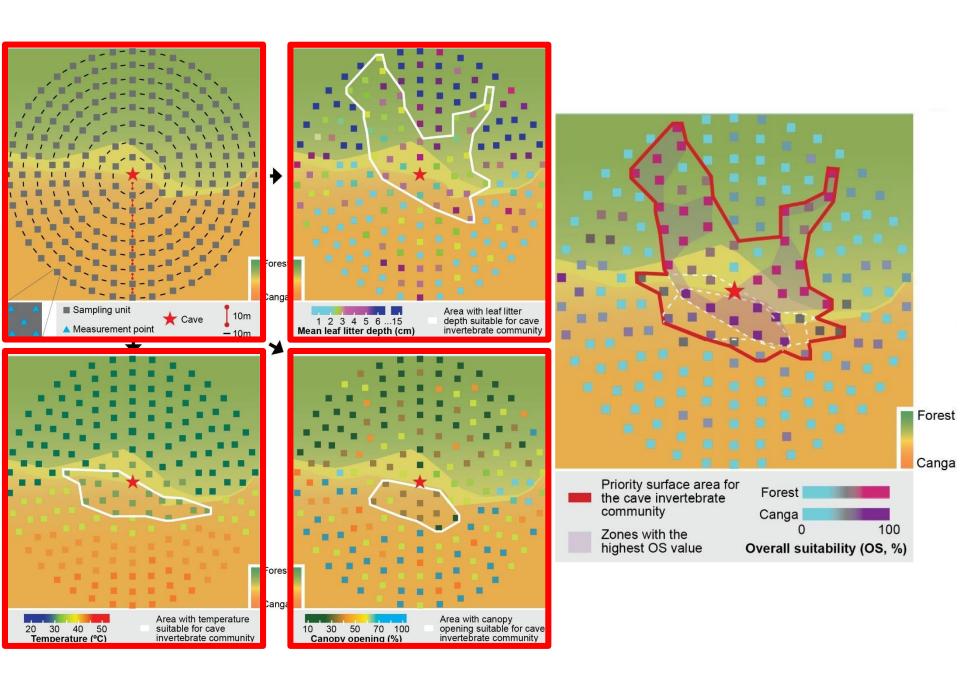




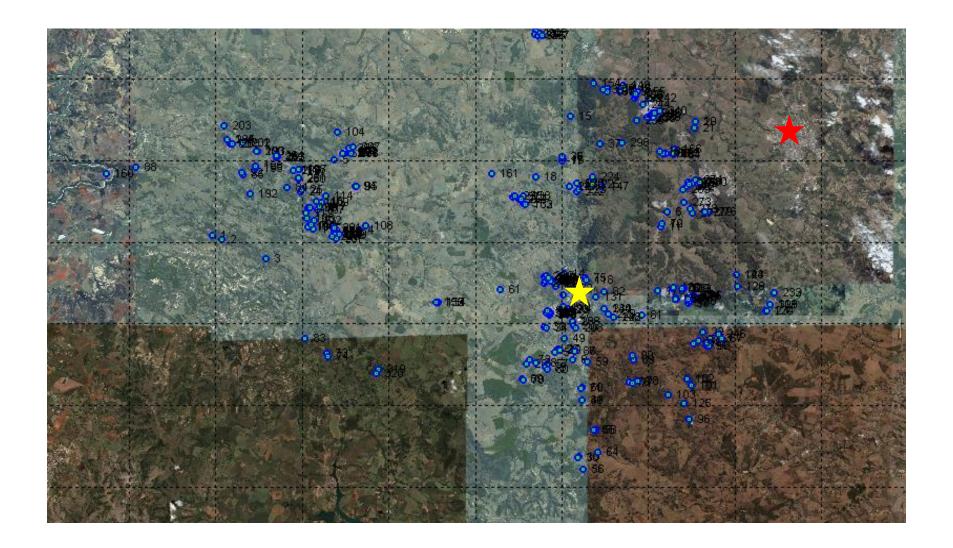


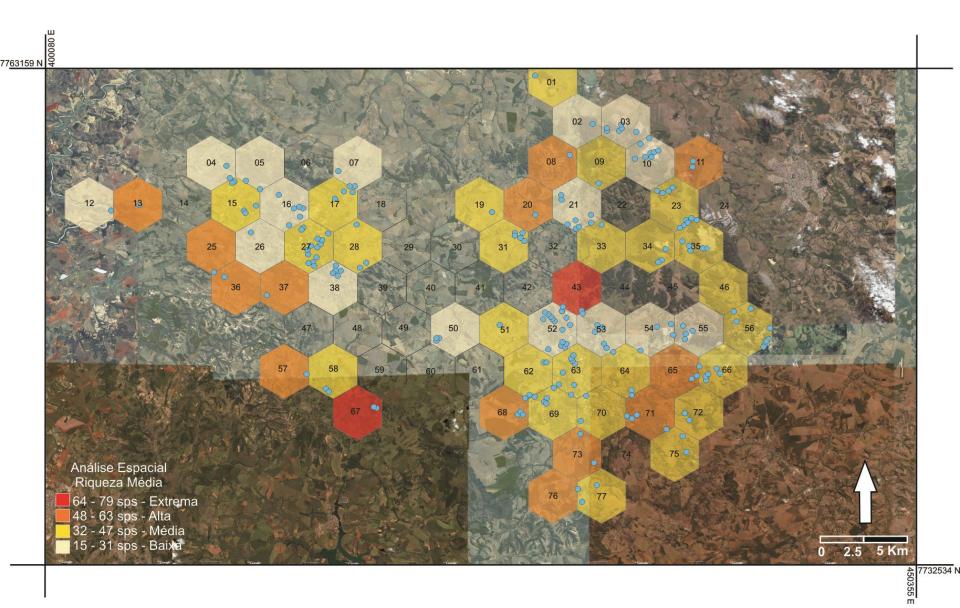


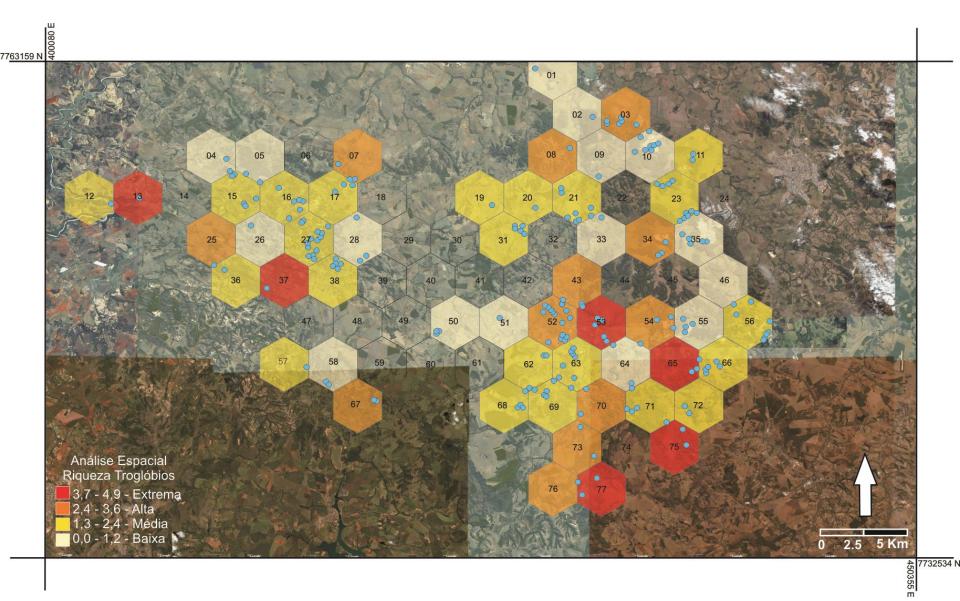


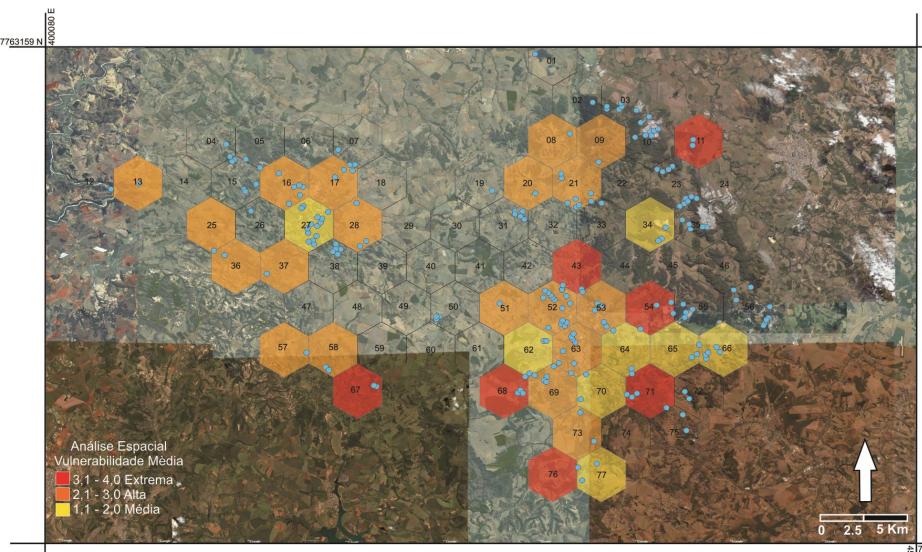




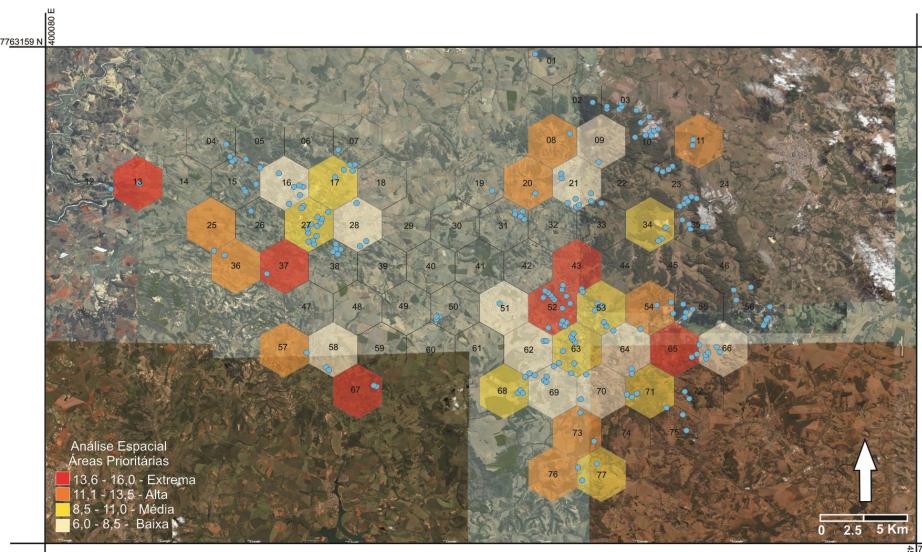




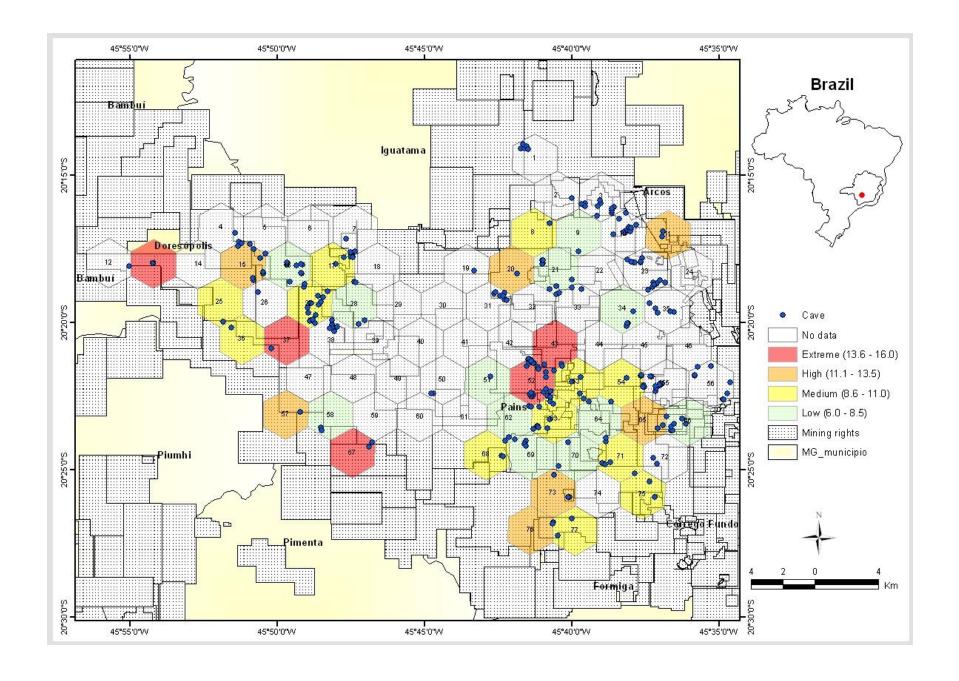




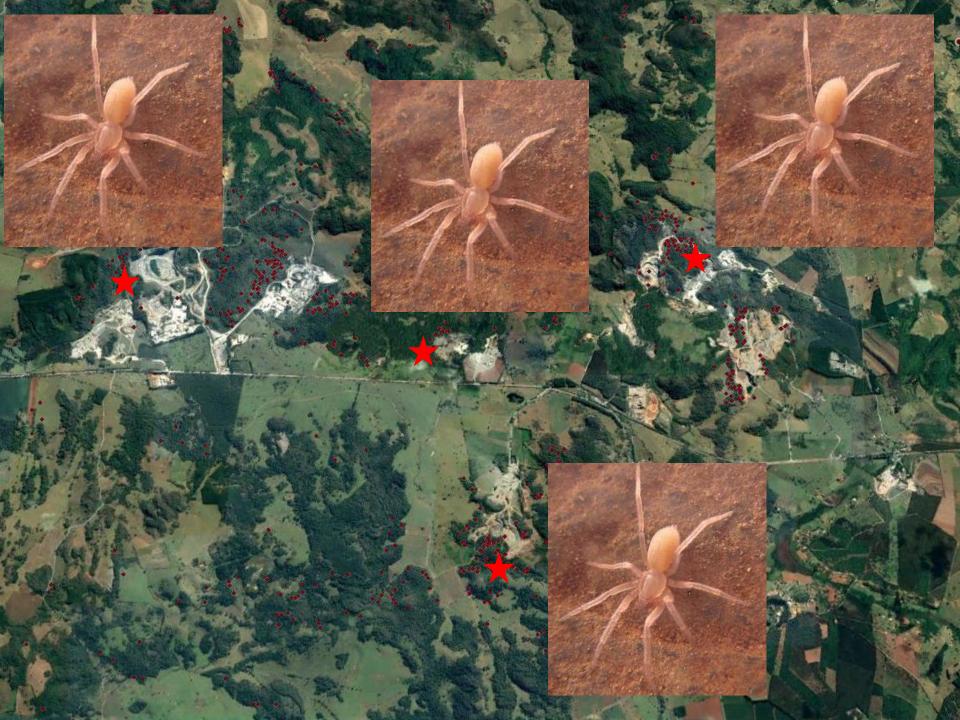
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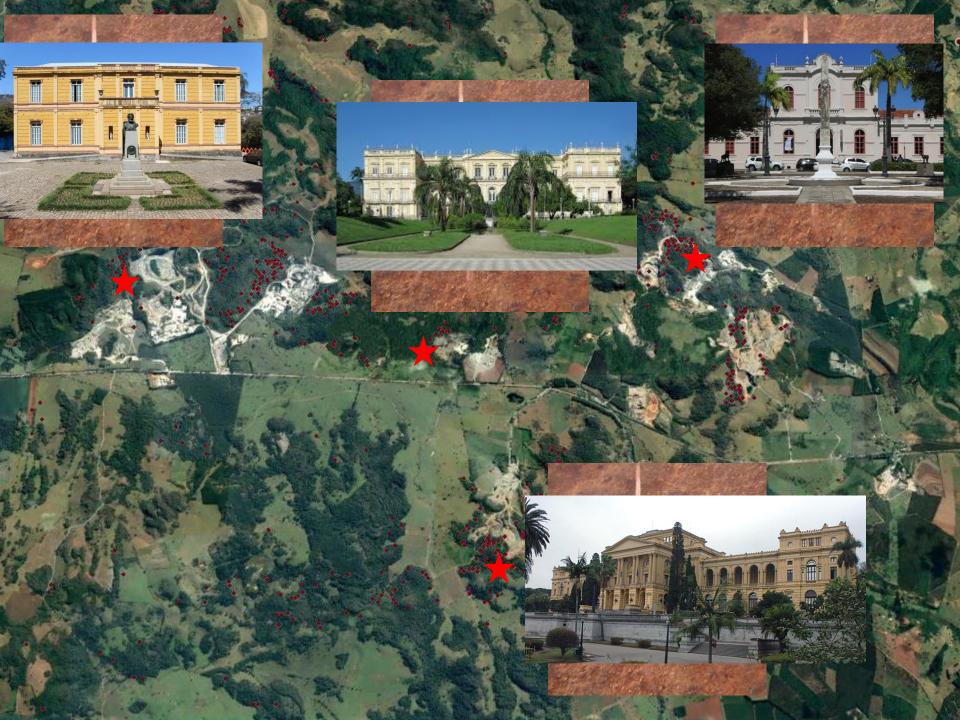


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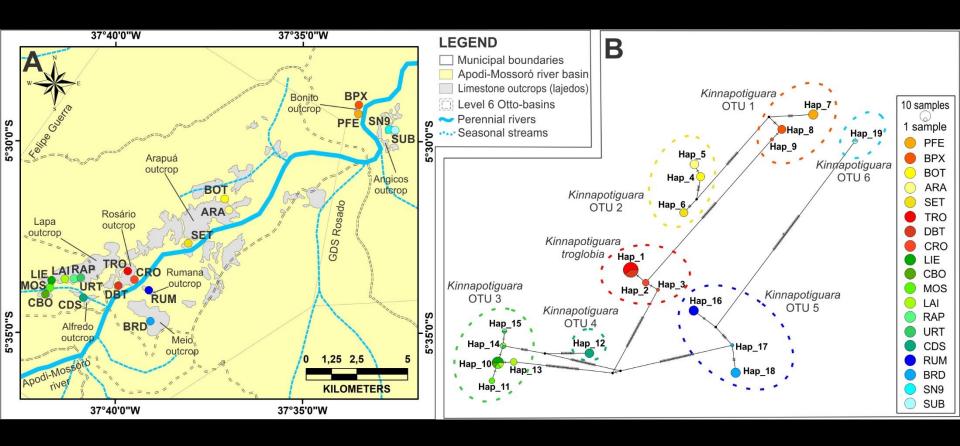


























IN VITRO EVALUATION OF THE ANTICANCER ACTIVITY OF FILAMENTOUS FUNGAL EXTRACTS



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ABSTRACT

Cancer is a serious public health problem, affecting millions of people worldwide. Among them, colorectal carcinoma is one of the most prevalent, while ovarian adenocarcinoma presents a lower chance of cure. Researchers has sought more selective drugs derived from biodiversity, and one source of biotechnological compounds are filamentous fungi, known to produce a variety of metabolites that aid their environmental adaptation. The present study evaluated the *in vitro* antitumoral effect of a collection of filamentous fungi, previously isolated from candeia tree (*Eremanthus* sp.) or Brazilian caves environment. Fungal extracts were obtained from filtered culture supernatants, just lyophilizated or submitted to ethyl acetate extraction. In MTT cytotoxicity assays, RKO-AS45-1 (colorectal carcinoma), SK-OV-3 (ovarian adenocarcinoma) and WI-26-VA4 (nontumoral lung fibroblasts, control) cell lines were incubated for 48 h with 0 100 μg/mL of fungal extracts, 1.4 μg/mL of Paclitaxel or DMSO 1%. Among 28 compounds, three extracts originated from cave strains, previously identified as *Penicillium flavigenum* and *Aspergillus sydowii*, presented relevant results. *P. flavigenum* E24 ethyl acetate fraction was cytotoxic to RKO-AS451-1 (IC₅₀ 11.9 μg/ml) and to SK-OV-3 (IC₅₀ 54 μg/mL). Furthemore, *P. flavigenum* L.E24 and *A. sydowii* L.GMA3 lyophilized extracts were effective only to RKO-AS45-1 (IC₅₀ 21.6 and 213.0 μg/ml, respectively). The Selective Index (SI) for RKO-AS45-1 *versus* control line WI-26-VA4 was determined as 4.2 for E24, 2.24 for L.E24 and 65.72 for L.GMA3. The fungal extracts cytotoxicity will also be tested on other tumoral cell lines, and those with lower IC₅₀ or SI>2 will be evaluated for *in vitro* effects on cell cycle kynetics, apoptosis and reproductive death.

SK-OV-3 (ATCC* HTB-77) Cell Culture at 37*C with 5% CO₂ WI-26 VA4 (ATCC* CCL-95.1) RKO-A545-1 (ATCC* CRL-2579)

RESULTS

Table 1 - In vitro evaluation of fungal extracts cytotoxicity

	Origin of the fungus		SK-OV-3		RKO-AS45-1		WI-26 VA4	
Extract			IC _{so} (µg/mL)	Selectivity Index*	IC ₅₀ (μg/mL)	Selectivity Index*	IC ₅₀ (µg/mL)	
CF292	Coroa de Frade	Coronel José	ND	ND	57.0	0.5	31.3	
L.CF292	Cave / Air	Dias/Piauí	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	L





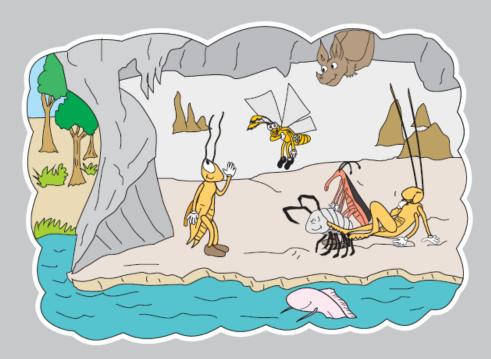








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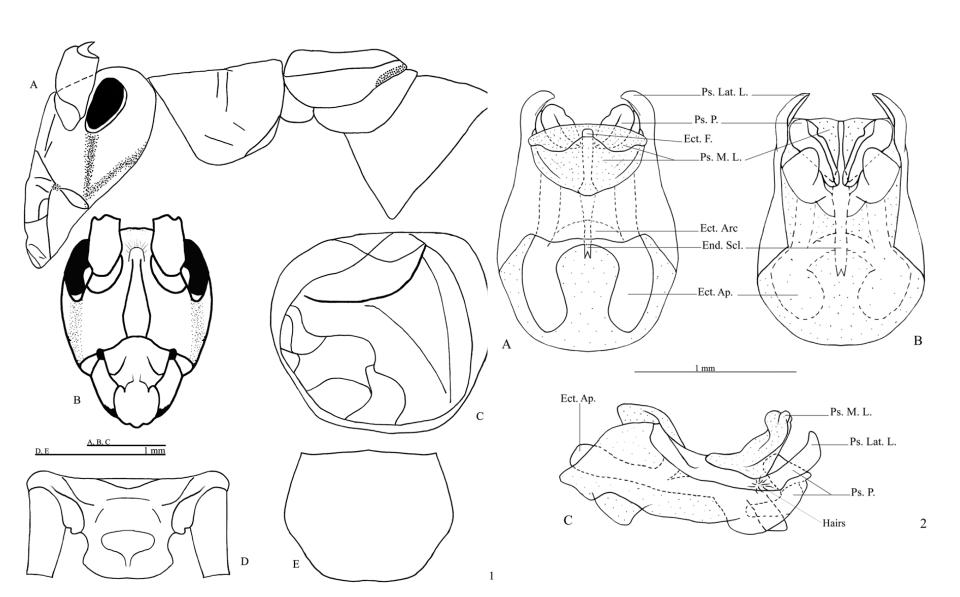


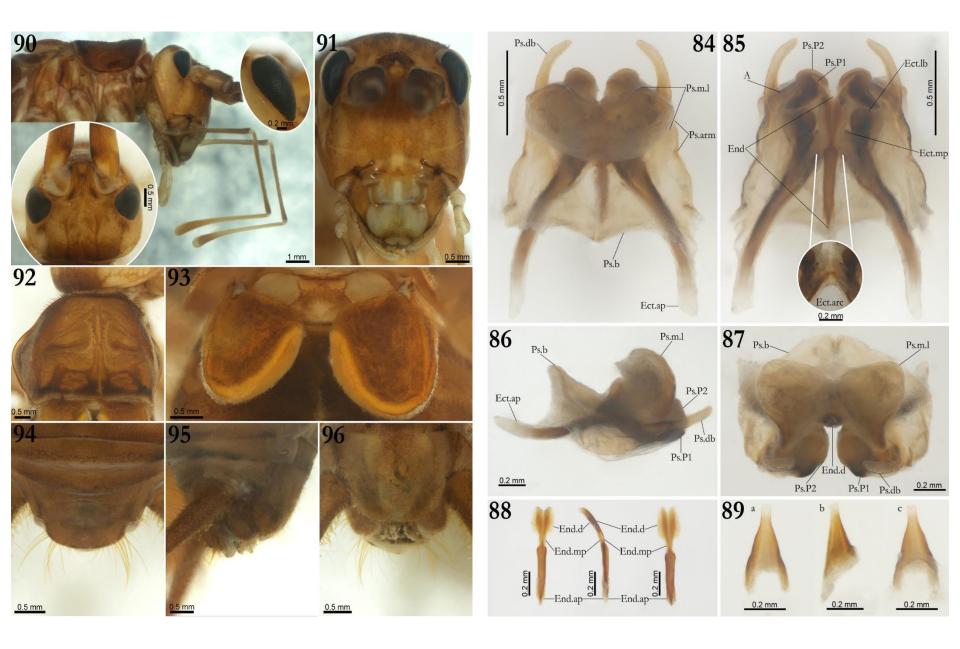


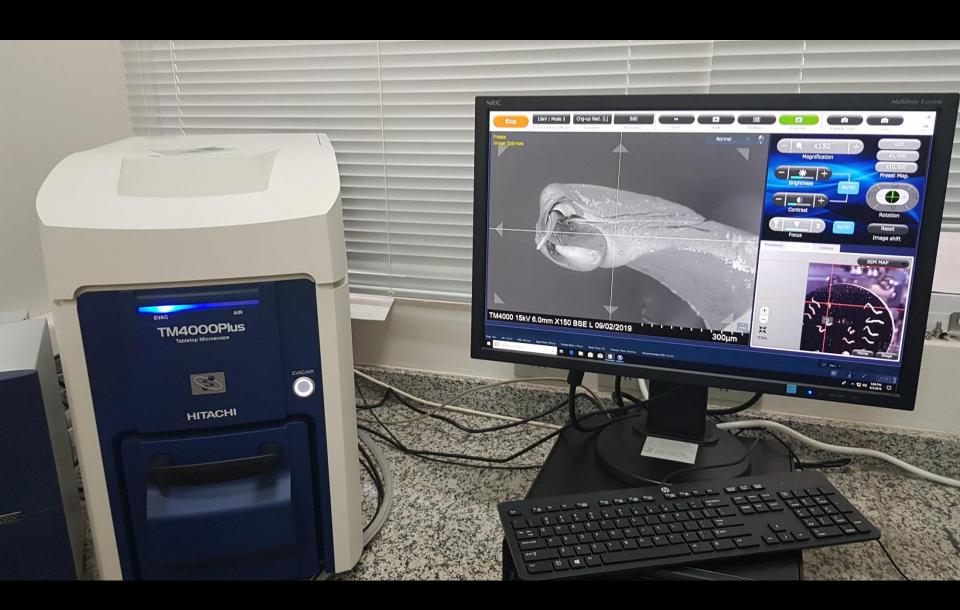


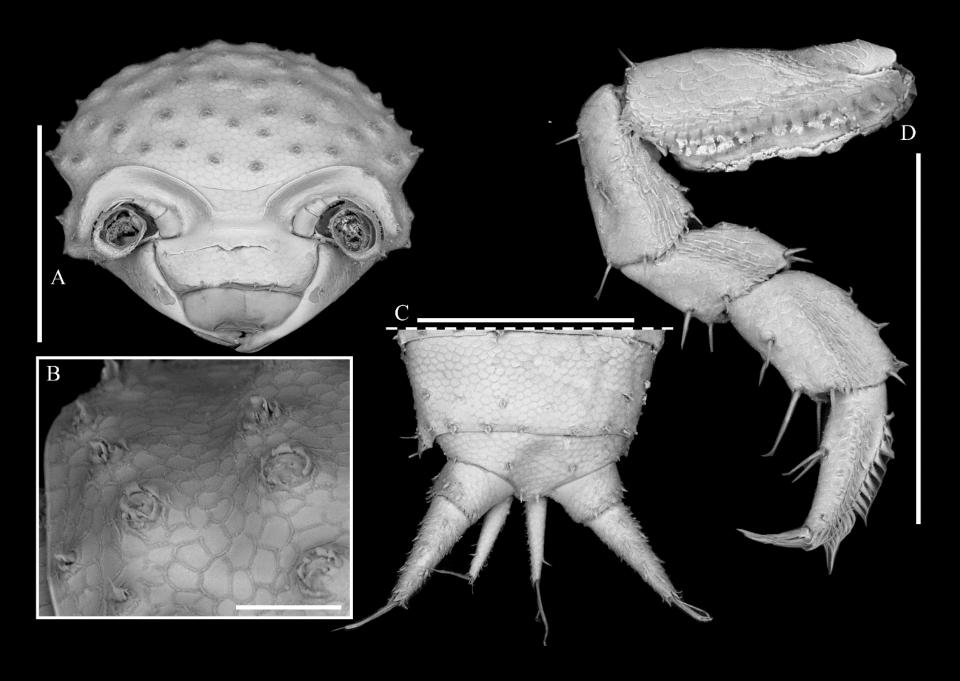




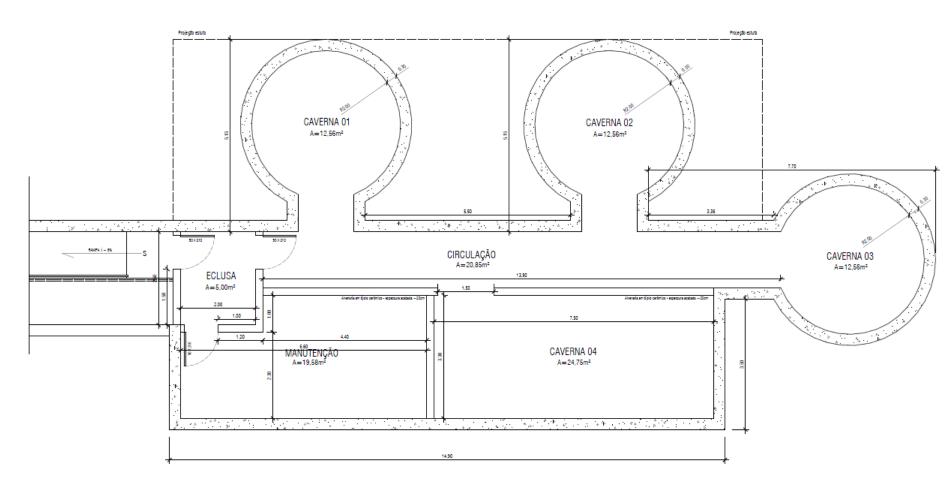












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