



# PhD available: the value of pollinators in tropical forest conservation

- You will aim to quantify the importance of wild pollinators in a protected forest ecosystem in West Africa, from two perspectives – i) the importance of pollinators for fruit- or seed-eating species of conservation concern, such as chimpanzees, monkeys, elephants, duikers and birds; and ii) the value of the protected area in supporting pollination services to crops grown around it.
- Our research at UEA has shown that pollinator-dependent wild plants lose on average 64% of their fruit and/or seed production without pollinators, and this reliance is larger in the tropics.
- The project focuses on the Sapo National Park (SNP), Liberia, in the Upper Guinean Forest biodiversity hotspot. Fauna and Flora International (FFI) has a research and teaching station there, with a biodiversity monitoring programme and high-quality local botanical and zoological expertise.
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