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FIRST DETECTION OF SMALL HIVE BEETLE IN FRANCE - LA REUNION ISLAND -

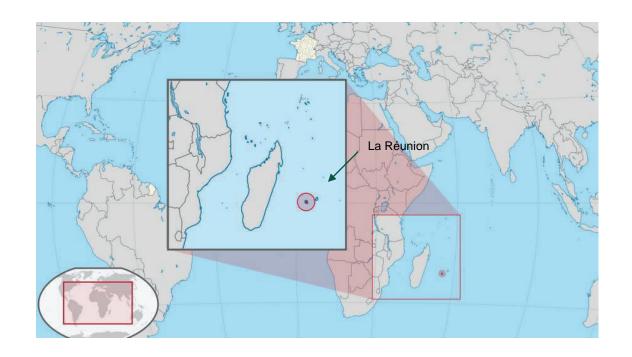
« OVERSEAS DEPARTMENT »

« ERADICATION AND SURVEILLANCE MEASURES »

Situation on December, 13th 2022



La Réunion (2512 km2)





Beekeeping context

- A particular subspecies of bees: Apis mellifera unicolor
- About 800 beekeepers, most of them hobby beekeepers
- 25 000 colonies
- Thee main honey flows: pink berries, letchis and 'Forest'
- A tradition of transhumance

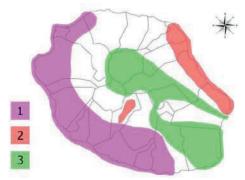
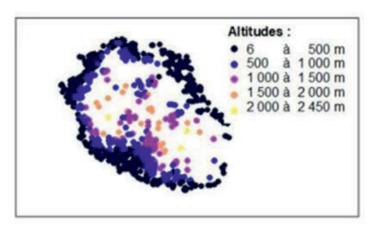


Figure 2 - Principales zones de transhumance à La Réunion (synthèse schématique d'après les données ONF, CIRAD et GDS Réunion) : (1) Baies roses (mars avril) 2) Letchis (août-septembre) (3) « Forêt » (toute l'année). (Carte issue du « Plan de gestion du petit coléoptère des ruches (Aethina tumida) en cas de détection sur l'île de La Réunion, Version du 25/09/19 présentée en CROPSAV³ section spécialisée animale du 31/10/2019 »)



Beekeeping context

 Majority of beehives are located at low and medium altitudes (6 to 1000 m), mainly on the coastal areas, except for the south-eastern area of the island which appears less densely populated with beehives





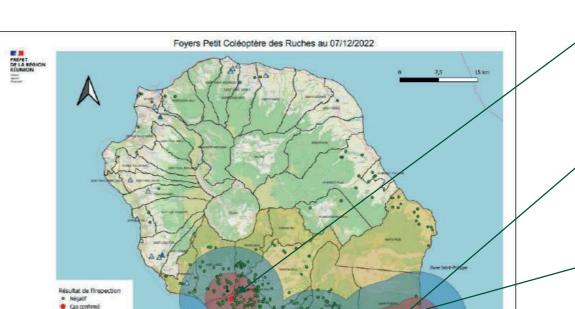
Réseau ruchers sentinelles A Rucher sentinelle inspecté

Zone de protection

Zore Sant Flore

Jone Sant Joseph

State of play To date, 12 outbreaks decreted and eradicated



St Pierre:

- First outbreak July 5th 2022
- Epidemiological link with St Philippe area

St Philippe:

- 10 outbreaks between july 7th and 21st

St Joseph:

- One outbreak 19 july
- No epidemiological link identified

Origine: genetic sequencing is in progress performed by the EURL (Sophia Antipolis)



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Outbreaks	Municipali ty	Nb of colonies	Nb of suspected colonies	Nb of adult SHB	Nb of larvae	Nb of eggs
1	St Pierre	17	3	6	0	0
2	St Philippe	3	1	1	0	0
3	St Philippe	11	6	4	2	0
4	St Philippe	44	1	1	0	0
5	St Philippe	4	1	2	0	0
6	St Philippe	1	1	3	0	0
7	St Philippe	35	4	4	0	0
8	St Philippe	3	1	1	0	0
9	St Philippe	46	3	1	0	0
10	St Joseph	15	1	1	0	0
11	St Philippe	4	3	11	0	0
12	St Philippe	20	1	0	20	0

- 10 outbreaks with only SHB adults
- 1 outbreak with adults and larvae
- 1 outbreak with only larvae
- No SHB eggs detected



- All the outbreaks were located in the south which seems to be the epicenter
- > All the outbreaks have been eradicated



Applied Measures

Strategy: eradication and protection of other territories (Fr and UE)

Mesures provided by Ministerial decree of December 23, 2009 and Prefectoral decree of July 22, 2022

In the outbreaks:

- ✓ All the colonies were killed and incinerated, the beekeeping equipment incinerated
- ✓ Soil desinsectization
- ✓ Compensation
- ✓ Epidemiological survey

In the regulated zones (5km protection zone + 5 km surveillance zone)

- ✓ Census of apiaries and hives
- ✓ All identified apiaries are subjected to at least two visits in protection zone, and sampling in surveillance zone. The first two visits were made at least 30 days apart. Visit of the colonies according to 5% expected prevalence
- ✓ If the visits are favorable, traps should be applied
- ✓ Movements of hives, honeybees, bumble bees, beekeeping equipments, beekeeping products (for beekeeping activities) from or to each regulated zones are prohibited
- ✓ Possible derogation for the harvest of honey under conditions

In the free zone

✓ Active and passive surveillance

On the whole island territory:

✓ An online traceability tool for the whole island is under development







Applied Measures

Focus on Epidemiological survey



In the outbreaks:

- upstream-downstream epidemiological and neighborhood investigations on :
 - Honeybees
 - Unprocessed apiculture by-product
 - Beekeeping equipment
 - Apiculture products in honeycomb
- Epidemiological survey :
 - Developed and validated by Anses
 - Questionnary
 - Procedure for samples :
 - · Samples to be taken
 - Recommandations for sending the samples
 - Analyses conducted by NLR

FICHE ENQUETE EPIDEMIOLOGIQUE

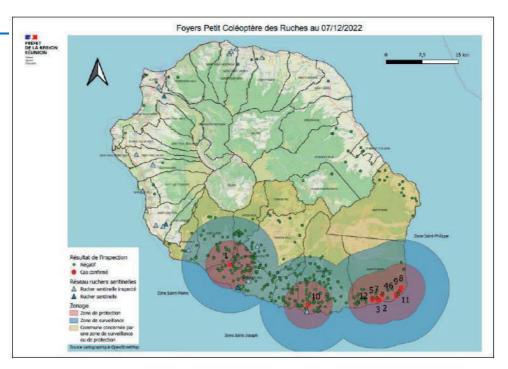
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Numero	de telephon	e:				
Adresse	mall:					
Date de	la suspicion	·				
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MINISTÈRE DE L'AGRICULTURE ET DE LA SOUVERAINETÉ ALIMENTAIRE

Monitoring report at the date of December 5, 2022

Zones	Nb visits performed	Total	
St Pierre 5Km protection zone	69	151	
St Pierre 10 Km surveillance zone	82	131	
St Philippe 5Km protection zone	52	58	
St Philippe 10 Km surveillance zone	6	38	
St Joseph 5Km protection zone	84	161	
St Joseph 10Km surveillance zone	77	101	
Out of regulated zones	66	66	
Total	436		



436 apiaries visited and 5189 colonies inspected in and outside the restricted zones

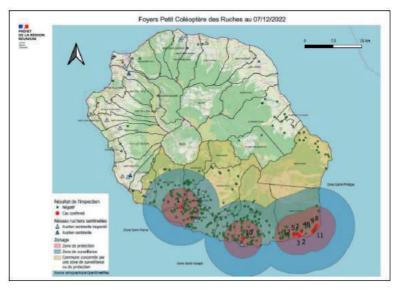
=> Favorable results

....The surveillance continues



Applied Measures – Mouvements (Fr-UE)

Strategy: eradication and protection of other territories (Fr and UE)



Prefectoral decree n°1504 of August 1st, 2022

Ban to take the following commodities out of La Réunion :

Honeybees

Bumblebees (no use of bumbelbees in La Réunion)

Unprocessed beekeeping by-products

Beekeeping equipment

Honeycomb for human consumption



An investigation (Via TRACES) was conducted to identify possible movements of these products (12 months before the first outbreak)

=> No movement during the last 12 months



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION