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- \* Sample based on *Interacciones temporales y espaciales de mesocarnívoros simpátricos en una Reserva de la Biosfera: ¿coexistencia o competencia?* By R. Carrera-Treviño, et al. (*Revista de Biología Tropical* 66, 3 (2018): DOI 10.15517/rbt.v66i3.30418

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**RESUMEN. Introducción:** Las interacciones entre especies de mesocarnívoros tropicales y otros gremios tróficos de mamíferos han sido muy poco estudiadas, a pesar de sus importantes aplicaciones en la supervivencia, estructura, demografía, y distribución de estas especies. **Objetivo:** Analizar si los mesocarnívoros simpátricos coexisten o compiten en el eje del nicho temporal y espacial. **Métodos:** De enero 2015 a diciembre 2016, registramos mamíferos con 26 estaciones de cámaras trampa (en pares, una frente a la otra) a lo largo de caminos y veredas, en la Reserva de la Biosfera El Cielo, Tamaulipas, México. Calculamos el traslape temporal y espacial con los índices de Czezanowski y Pianka. **Resultados:** Obtuvimos 239 registros de margay, 118 de ocelote y 22 de yaguarundi. El caucel y el ocelote son nocturnos (75 % de sus registros) y mostraron un alto traslape temporal (0.85); mientras que el yaguarundi fue totalmente diurno, sugiriendo que puede coexistir con las otras dos especies. Las tres especies usaron hábitats similares: el yaguarundi tuvo un traslape espacial de 0.81 con el caucel y de 0.72 con el ocelote; el traslape espacial entre el caucel y el ocelote fue intermedio (0.53). **Conclusiones:** No hay competencia interespecifica entre estas especies de mesocarnívoros tropicales, probablemente debido a interacciones agresivas que conducen al uso de partes diferentes de los ejes temporal y espacial.

- \* Ejemplo basado en *Interacciones temporales y espaciales de mesocarnívoros simpátricos en una Reserva de la Biosfera: ¿coexistencia o competencia?* Por R. Carrera-Treviño, et al. (*Revista de Biología Tropical* 66, 3 (2018): DOI 10.15517/rbt.v66i3.30418

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