Locating large insects using automated VHF radio telemetry with a multi-antennae array

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Abstract

1. We describe an automated radio telemetry system (ARTS) designed for estimating the location of 0.50 g butterflies which was constructed with commercially available materials. Previously described systems were not designed to estimate fine-scale locations of large insects within approximately 200 m² study areas.