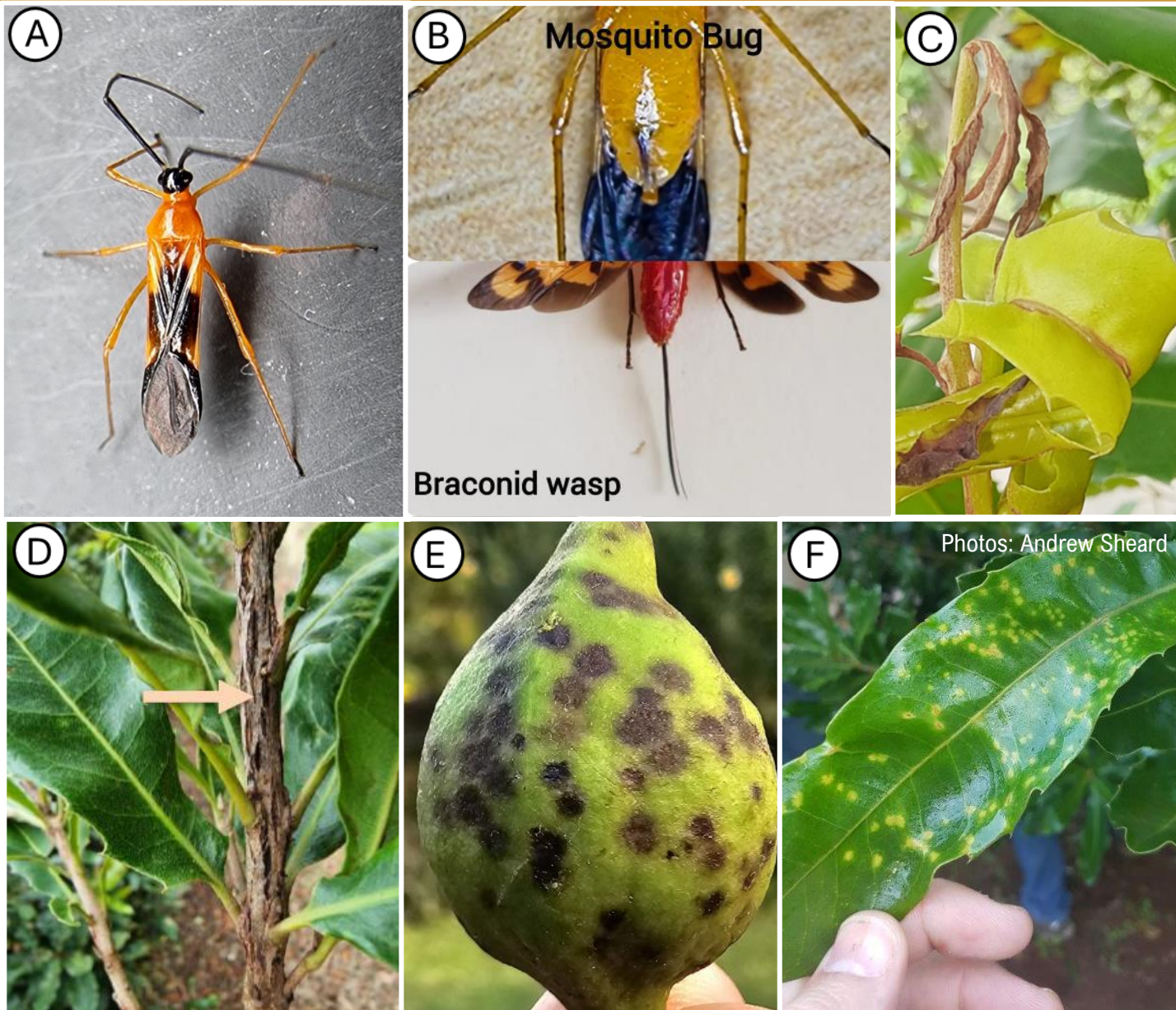


TEA MOSQUITO BUG

Helopeltis sp.



Photos: Andrew Sheard

Known hosts: Tea, cashew, cocoa, avocado, mango, cotton, eucalyptus.

Distribution: Mozambique, KZN (isolated).

- (A)** Body orange to brown; characteristic long legs and black antennae. Black tipped wings.
- (B)** Notice short ovipositor on mosquito bug, compared to long ovipositor on braconid wasp.
- (C – D)** Leaf rolling, tip die-back, and branch splitting characteristic of mosquito bug damage.
- (E - F)** Feeding damage on husk and leaves.



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