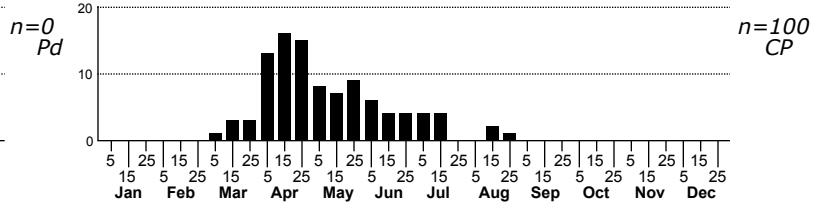
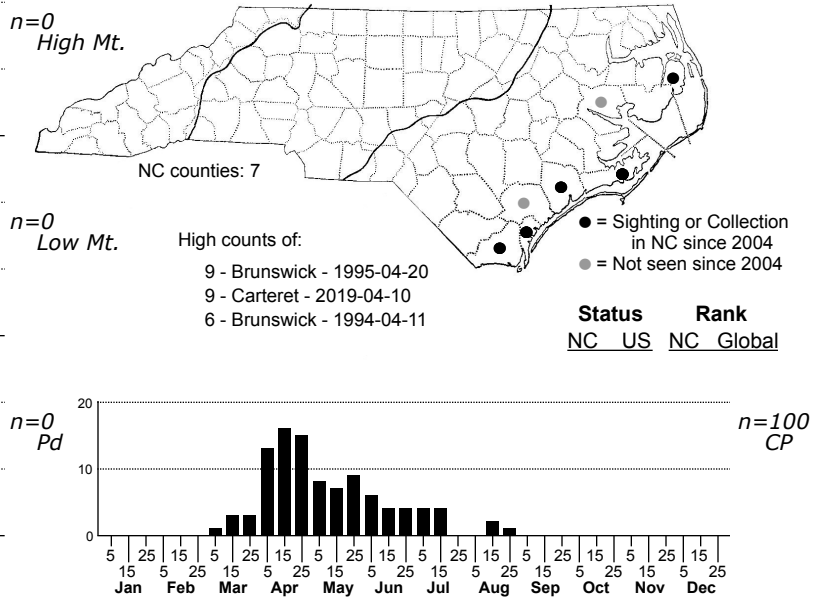
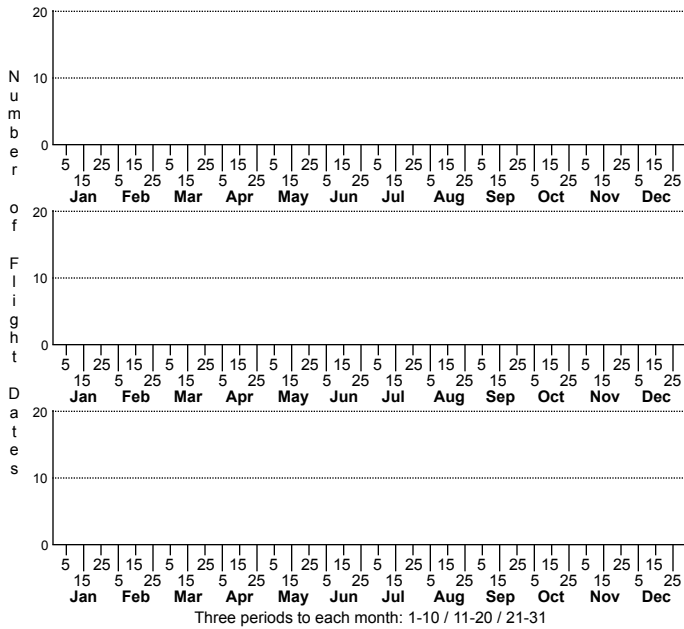


Metria amella Live Oak Metria Moth



FAMILY: Erebidae SUBFAMILY: Erebinae TRIBE: Ophiuini
 TAXONOMIC_COMMENTS:

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS:
 ONLINE PHOTOS:
 TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:
 TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS:

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: The majority of our records come from barrier islands, where Live Oak, Sand Live Oak, and Darlington Oak are present. We also have records from Coastal Fringe Sandhills on the adjoining areas on the mainland but none from xeric Carolina Bay Rims or the Fall-line Sandhills where Turkey Oaks prevail.

FOOD: Wagner et al. (2011) list Live Oak (*Quercus vigninana*) and Turkey Oak (*Q. laevis*) as host plants. However, all of our records come from habitats where Live Oak is present to dominant and we have no records from the Sandhills in habitats where Turkey Oak is the dominant species.

OBSERVATION_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 S3S4

STATE PROTECTION: Has no legal protection, although permits are required to collect it on state parks and other public lands.

COMMENTS: