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## *Tuta absoluta*

icipe scientists released a wasp that is a natural enemy of *Tuta absoluta* in Kirinyaga County last week. The parasitoid is part of measures aimed at reducing the use of inorganic pesticides and enhancing safe tomato production.

▪ <https://nation.africa/kenya/business/seeds-of-gold/wasps-take-on-ravenous-tomato-pest-3016218>

- <https://www.standardmedia.co.ke/farmkenya/article/2001392549/icipe-imports-south-american-wasp-to-fight-tomato-pest>

## Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

icipe, the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), International Wheat and Maize Improvement Center (CIMMYT) and the African Agriculture Technology Foundation collaborated to develop maize varieties resistant to *Striga*.

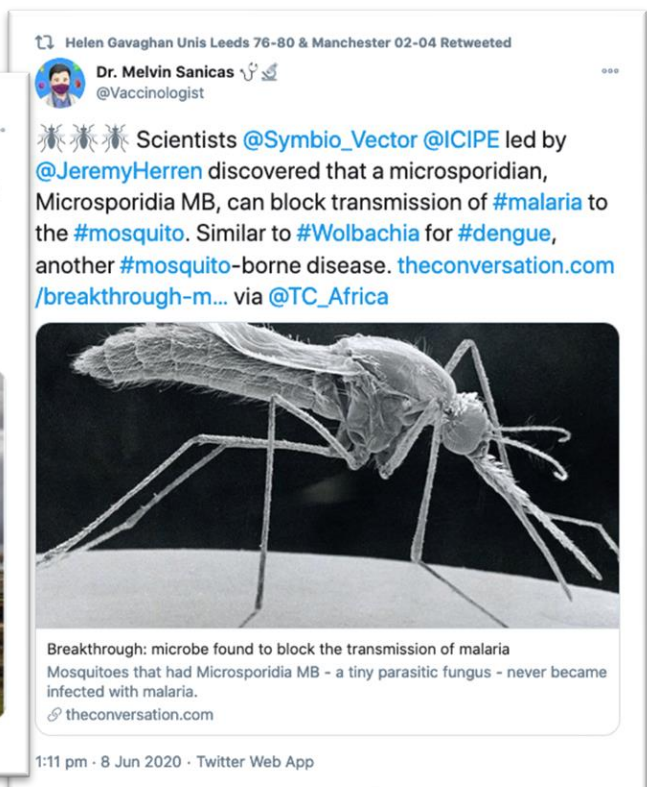
<https://www.latestnigeriannews.com/news/9094758/new-pests-resistant-maize-to-the-rescue.html>

## Locusts

The Insects for Food and Feed programme continues to champion the consumption of locusts to help address the challenges of food shortages and malnutrition.

<https://www.thestar.com.my/lifestyle/living/2020/11/04/plague-on-a-plate-desert-locusts-in-east-africa>

## Social media





## Fondation Biovision

5 November at 20:10 · Public



Necessity makes you creative!

Our partners at [ICIPE-International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology](#) have found a way to advance the Biovision Malaria Prevention project in Kenya, while protecting the population from the Covid-19. pandemic. A story to discover here ::

<https://www.biovision.ch/fr/nouvelles/malariaetcorona/>

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### BIOECONOMY IS THE PRESENT

The first Eastern Africa Bioeconomy Conference was held in October to discuss a strategy that will connect local farmers to national, regional, and global value chains.

GrowthAfrica is excited to be part of the conference, first of its kind in the region, as we continue our evolving collaboration with BioInnovate Africa.

Great to see the 9 bio-innovations we have supported this year with commercialisation of their innovations, stand out on the EastAfrican platform.

BioInnovate Africa ([www.bioinnovate-africa.org](http://www.bioinnovate-africa.org)) facilitates and supports partnerships between scientists, research institutions and businesses across the larger East Africa to commercialise bio-science research.

The aim is to use the region's precious biological resources sustainably while promoting economic diversification.

Find out how this strategy will locally impact you on: <https://bit.ly/3jT0BAI>

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