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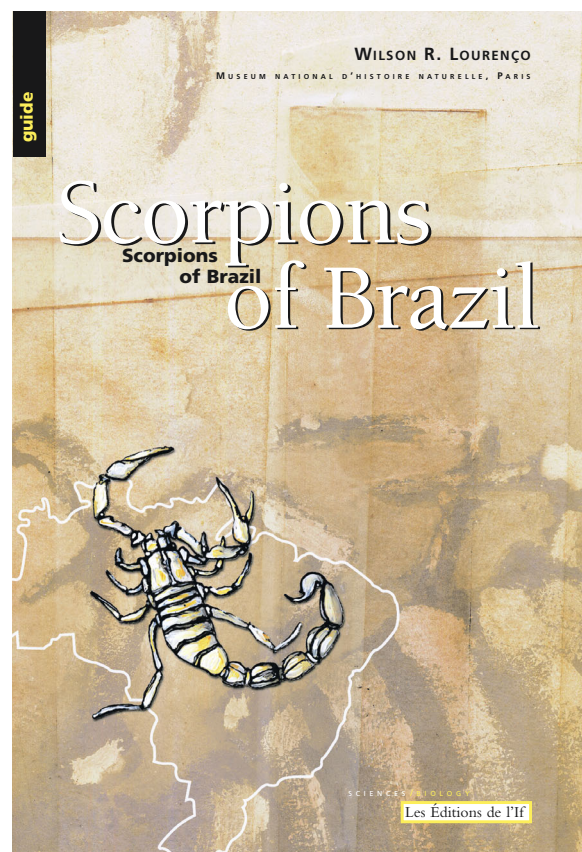
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This book is the first comprehensive treatment of the Brazilian scorpion fauna since Mello-Leitão 1945' monograph on South American scorpions.

The scorpions of Brazil are comparatively well known thanks largely to the voluminous and thorough research of Dr. Wilson Lourenço himself. In the present lavishly illustrated guide, not only does the author provide keys to, and detailed descriptions of, the known scorpion fauna of Brazil, but he gives accounts of various aspects of scorpion ecology and biogeography which place the Brazilian species in a worldwide context. At the same time, he shows why certain species have recently become extinct while others are endangered throughout Tropical South America.

This book is far more than a guide to the identification of Brazilian scorpions. It is a stimulating introduction to the study of scorpions in general and well deserves the attention of all arachnologists, ecologists and research workers in the field of zoogeography.

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He is considered an authority on Tropical scorpions.

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