

small litter- or soil-dwelling arthropods, consisting of one or more bags constructed from cloth mesh. The mesh bags are filled with litter and suspended within an outer cloth enclosure, which includes a funnel that catches insects escaping through the mesh and directs them into a collecting receptacle,

usually filled with alcohol (see Figs. 9.4 and 9.5, pages 134 and 135).

xeric Having very little moisture; tolerating or adapted to dry conditions.

zoogeography The branch of biogeography dealing specifically with the distribution of animals.