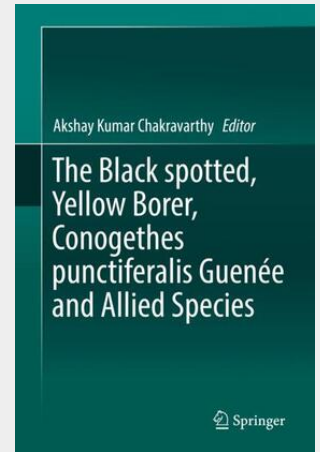


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The Black spotted, Yellow Borer, *Conogethes punctiferalis* Guenée and Allied Species

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