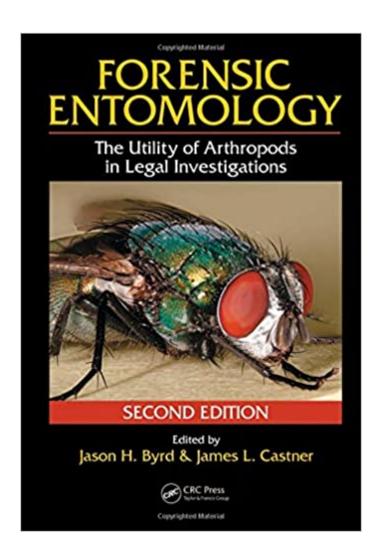


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# Forensic Entomology: The Utility Of Arthropods In Legal Investigations, Second Edition





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This book is a must-have for any person who works for a law enforcement agency, crime lab, or medical examiner/coroner's office. I would not recommend it for a layperson, unless they are really interested in forensic entomology. Highly technical but also easy to read. I've had the pleasure of

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Great for identification and understanding the entomological bases of forensics.

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