

- **ESTIMATE: 10 MILLION TO 100 MILLION LIVING SPECIES ON EARTH.**
- **1.4 MILLION HAVE BEEN FORMALLY IDENTIFIED AND DESCRIBED.**
- **OF THESE 1.4 MILLION, ONLY A SMALL FRACTION HAVE BEEN STUDIED IN TERMS OF THEIR CHEMICAL CONSTITUENTS.**
- **EACH SPECIES CONTAINS HUNDREDS TO THOUSANDS OF ORGANIC COMPOUNDS.**
- **PREDICTION: BY 2025, 25% OF TODAY'S FLOWERING PLANT SPECIES WILL BE LOST TO HUMAN ENDEAVORS**