

## The Afrotropical Scythrididae – corrections and additions

On the 6th of June 2014 the volume **The Afrotropical Scythrididae** in *Buchreihe zur Entomologie, Esperiana Memoir 7* was published. Unfortunately some errors were found and must be corrected. The most important errors are dealt with below. Also some further data are added.

- **p. 26, last line in the fourth paragraph** – instead of “Species incertae cedis”, read “Isolated species” [appearing at p. 179].
- **p. 26-27**. The list of genera must be corrected, as some of the genera are only manuscript names and not nomenclaturally available. By mistake I copied information from a manuscript version of the unpublished thesis (in 1988) by LANDRY, which was not included in the actual publication derived from the thesis (LANDRY 1991). The following genera must be deleted; the corresponding taxa were in fact treated as species-groups within the genus *Arotrura* in Landry (1991):

**Commodes** LANDRY, 1991 [= *Arotrura atascosa* group]

**Hyalinixys** LANDRY, 1991 [= *Arotrura hymenata* group]

**Meniscotus** LANDRY, 1991 [= *Arotrura balli* group]

**Mimiella** LANDRY, 1991 [= *Arotrura divaricata* group]

**Oncoxystus** LANDRY, 1991 [= *Arotrura longissima* group]

**Serangites** LANDRY, 1991 [= *Arotrura powelli*]

**Colonita [sic]** LANDRY, 1991 shall be **Colinita** BUSCK, 1907 (=syn. of *Arotrura* WALSINGHAM, 1888) (LANDRY 1991).

- **p. 38 line 10 from bottom** – The complete text before **Diagnosis** at top of p. 39 the following text shall read:

**Enolmis** DUPONCHEL, 1845

*In* GODART, J.B. Histoire naturelle des Lépidoptères ou papillons de France. Nocturnes, Supplément 4: 534 pp., pls. 51-90. - Méquignon-Marvis, Paris.  
Type species: *Yponomeuta acanthella* GODART, 1824.

**Bryophaga** RAGONOT, 1875

Microlépidoptères nouveaux ou peu connus. Tineina. -  
(1874) 4: 586-589.

Type species: *Yponomeuta acanthella* GODART, 1824.

Diagnosis: Forewing whitish or cream with dark greyish or brownish markings, usually in shape of a transverse, postmedian, broad fascia, sometimes split into two spots or (exceptionally) absent; further dark spots generally present, e.g. a diffuse apical spot and a small black spot above tornus. Male genitalia asymmetrical, left valva large, curved, at tip with one or two (sometimes three) brushes of blackish stiff scales; right valva (usually) smaller and without brushes of stiff scales. Female genitalia with henia, transversely wrinkled in its membranous part, distal portion sclerotized and mostly indented posteromedially.

PASSERIN D'ENTRÈVES (1985) treated this genus and compared it with the sister-group *Episcythis* AMSEL, 1939, which is not represented in the Afrotropical Africa. The external appearance and the genitalia features are described in BENGTTSSON (1997: 169).

**6. *Enolmis arabica*** PASSERIN D'ENTRÈVES, 1986  
Fauna of Saudi Arabia 8: 256.  
Type locality: Saudi Arabia, Al Dalhan, near Ash Sharayi.  
Holotype in MFN.

*Enolmis jemenensis* BENGTTSSON, 2002 **syn. nov.**  
Esperiana, Bd. 9: 62.  
Type locality: Yemen, Prov. Hudaydah, Jabel, Burra.  
Holotype in ZMUC.

- **p. 45 line 22 from bottom** – The beginning of the list of synonymies shall read:

*Eretmocera lunifera* ZELLER, 1852  
Lepidoptera Microptera quae J.A.Wahlberg in Caffrorum Terra collegit: 100.  
Synonymized by MEYRICK 1917b: 62.  
Type locality: [South Africa] Natal.  
Holotype in NHRS.

[etc.]

- **p. 67** – The label of the holotype of **48. *Haploscythris ochrosuffusella* spec. nov.** shall read:

Holotype ♂: P.K. le ROUX DAM, Van der Kloof, C.P., 8-12.IV.1970, Vári & Snyman etc.

- **p. 75 line 3 under 58. *Haploscythris vulturoides* spec. nov.** shall read:

*vulturoides* Bgts. ♂ (red), (MFN).

- **p. 95 (species No. 86).** Jean-François Landry has kindly informed me about the taxon *Elachista epicoena* MEYRICK, 1914, the type species of *Proterochyta* Meyrick, 1918. The dissection of the male lectotype (in TMSA) showed that it is conspecific with *Scythris calciflua* MEYRICK, 1921, which name thus is a junior synonym of *epicoena*. The genus *Proterochyta* was originally assigned to the family Elachistidae but its type species was subsequently transferred to the Scythrididae by Parenti (1988). It may now be regarded a synonym of *Scythris*.

- **p. 117 line 2 from top** – On the label of the holotype the locality shall be DURBAN (instead of Duban).

- **p. 125 line 15 from top** – The distribution for *Scythris aquaria* shall read:

Distribution: Mozambique, Namibia, and South Africa

- **p. 223 – 289. *Scythris ridiculella* spec. nov.** (BENGTTSSON, 2014) is a junior primary homonym of *Scythris ridiculella* CARADJA, 1920. Thus a new name must be chosen and I propose ***Scythris jodhpursoides* nom. nov.** The species-name refers to the appearance of the male genitalia, where the valvae remind of riding-breeches, in English sometimes called *jodhpurs* after the Indian word for this kind of trousers. The name *ridiculella* occurs on the following pages: 33, 223, and 224. This name shall be changed to *jodhpursoides* everywhere.

The text at the species number 289 shall thus begin with:

**289. *Scythris jodhpursoides* nom. nov.**

*Scythris ridiculella* BENGTSSON, 2014 [Esperiana Memoir 7: 223–224]; junior primary homonym of *Scythris ridiculella* Caradja, 1920 [Dt. ent. Z. Iris **34**: 143].

- p. **262** – The legend is correct but the following numbers in the illustrations shall be changed: **263 I-a**, **263 I-b**, and **285 I** shall be **262 I-a**, **262 I-b**, and **284 I** respectively.

**References**

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- PARENTI, U. 1988. About some African and Asiatic species of the family Elachistidae (Lepidoptera) described by E. Meyrick. *Stapfia* 16, 185–198.

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