## MORPHOLOGY OF THREE EUROPEAN SPECIES OF THE GENUS *PUNCTORIBATES* BERLESE, 1908 (ACARI: ORIBATIDA: MYCOBATIDAE)

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**Abstract.**— Juvenile stages of *Punetoribates punctum* (C. L. Koch, 1839) and *P. hexagonus* Berlese, 1908 are redescribed, those of *P. sellnicki* Willmann, 1928 are described for the first time, and both juveniles and adults of all species are illustrated. The juvenile stages of these species are similar in body shape and the number of setae on the prodorsum, gastronotum and anal, anogenital and epimeral regions, but differ in the shape and length of some prodorsal and gastronotal setae. Keys to the larvae and nymphs of these species are prepared.

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**Key words.**— *Punctoribates punctum*, *P. hexagonus*, *P. sellnicki*, juvenile stages, ontogeny, setation, keys.

## MYSMENID SPIDERS OF CHINA (ARANEAE: MYSMENIDAE)

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Abstract.— Eleven new species of the family Mysmenidae occurring in China, in addition to one known species, Mysmenella gongi Yin, Peng et Bao, 2004, that was reported from Hunan Province, are diagnosed, described and illustrated. Three genera, i.e., Calodipoena, Mysmena, and Trogloneta, are firstly reported in China. Mysmenella pseudojobi sp. nov., where is found hitherto at the northest range of distribution of the family in China, and Trogloneta denticocleari sp. nov. is collected in caves. Mysmena spirala sp. nov. is collected from rainforest in Hainan Province. Calodipoena biangulata sp. nov., C. cornigera sp. nov., Mysmena zhengi sp. nov., M. rostella sp. nov., M. furca sp. nov., M. arcilongus sp. nov., Mysmenella menglunensis sp. nov. and Trogloneta speciosum sp. nov., from Xishuangbanna in Yunnan Province, are collected by fogging. Natural history and distributional map are provided.

## NEW MIDDLE JURASSIC MAYFLIES (INSECTA: EPHEMEROPTERA: SIPHLONURIDAE) FROM INNER MONGOLIA, CHINA

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**Abstract.**— Two new mayfly species, *Cheirolgisca ningchengensis* **gen.** and **sp. nov.** and *Olgisca angusticubitis* **sp. nov.** from the Middle Jurassic Jiulongshan Formation of Ningcheng County, Inner Mongolia, NE China are described herein, both attributed to the extant family, Siphlonuridae. The Mesozoic mayfly imagoes have been rarely reported, thus the new material with well-preserved gonostyles provides valuable evolutionary evidence on this family.

# THIONIA DOUGLUNDBERGI SP. NOV. FROM THE MIOCENE DOMINICAN AMBER (HEMIPTERA: FULGOROMORPHA: ISSIDAE) WITH NOTES ON EXTINCT HIGHER PLANTHOPPERS

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**Abstract.**—The new extinct species *Thionia douglundbergi* **sp. nov.** of the recent genus *Thionia* Stål, 1859 from the Miocene Dominican amber is described. The morphological features of the genus are discussed in brief. The fossil record of 'higher' Fulgoroidea in New World fossil resins is discussed.



**Key words.**— Hemiptera, Fulgoromorpha, Issidae, *Thionia*, new species, Hispaniola, Miocene, Dominican amber, fossils.

## THE PALAEARCTIC PLANTHOPPER GENUS DICTYOPHARA GERMAR, 1833 (HEMIPTERA: FULGOROIDEA: DICTYOPHARIDAE) IN CHINA

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Abstract.— The dictyopharids planthopper genus *Dictyophara* Germar, 1833 from China is revised and restricted in Palaearctic Region of northern China. Only four recognized *Dictyophara* species are: *D. europaea* (Linnaeus, 1767), *D. koreana* Matsumura, 1915, *D. nekkana* Matsumura, 1940 and *D. pannonica* (Germar, 1830), which the former two are recorded from China for the first time. One new generic and three new specific synonyms are recognized: *Dictyophara* Germar, 1833 = *Togaphora* Matsumura, 1940 syn. nov.; *D. koreana* Matsumura, 1915 = *Centomera manchurica* Kato, 1933 syn. nov. = *Togaphora hokuryonis* Matsumura, 1940 syn. nov.; *D. nekkana* Matsumura, 1940 = *Dictyophara kaszabi* Dlabola, 1967 syn. nov. Photographs of the adults of all known species are presented. Descriptions of the genus and its included species are provided together with structural illustrations of the male genitalia. A key and a distribution map to the four species of *Dictyophara* from China are provided.



## A NEW SPECIES OF THE GENUS MACROSIPHUM (HEMIPTERA: APHIDIDAE) LIVING ON SYMPHYTUM ASPERUM (BORAGINACEAE) FROM GEORGIA

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**Abstract.**— Apterous and alate viviparous female, oviparous female and alate male of *Macrosiphum symphyti* **sp. nov.** living on *Symphytum asperum* (Boraginaceae) are described and illustrated. A key to the apterous viviparous females of the genus *Macrosiphum* Passerini species distributed in Georgia is given.



## A NEW HYPENELLA (EMPIDIDAE: CLINOCERINAE), A PALAEARCTIC RELICT IN GUANGDONG, SOUTH CHINA

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**Abstract.**— A new *Hypenella nanlingensis* is described from Guangdong Province, southern China. It is likely to represent a Palaearctic relict in the Oriental Realm. A key to the four species known in the world is given.



**Key words.**— Diptera, Empididae, *Hypenella*, new species, China.

### TACHYDROMIA MEIGEN, 1803 (DIPTERA: HYBOTIDAE) FROM YUNNAN, CHINA

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**Abstract.**— Five *Tachydromia* species are reported from Yunnan province: two species were previously known from Thailand: *T. thaica* Shamshev et Grootaert, 2005 and *T. terricoloides* Shamshev et Grootaert, 2005. Three species are described as new for science: *T. mengyangensis* **sp. nov.**, *T. menglunensis* **sp. nov.** and *T. yunnanensis* **sp. nov.** A key to the ten known species of China is given.

### A TAXONOMIC REVIEW OF THE CALLIRHIPIDAE (INSECTA: COLEOPTERA: ELATERIFORMIA) OF THE AFROTROPICAL REGION

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Abstract.— Only two species of the family Callirhipidae have been described from the Afrotropical zoogeographical region. *Callirhipis philiberti* Fairmaire, 1891 from the Seychelles is redescribed based on the type specimen and recently collected material. A study of the type specimen of the enigmatic Madagascan species *C. hovana* Fairmaire, 1901 revealed, that it is in fact a member of the family Elateridae, and is conspecific with *Hemiopinus hildebrandti* Fairmaire, 1883. Therefore *C. hovana* syn. nov. is here regarded as a junior subjective synonym of *H. hildebrandti*. The presently known distribution of the family Callirhipidae in the Afrotropical zoogeographical region is briefly discussed.



Key words.— Coleoptera, Callirhipidae, Elateridae, Callirhipis, Hemiopinus, new synonymy, Afrotropical region, Madagascar, Seychelles.

## REVISION OF THE GENUS SETYLAIDES STEBNICKA WITH DESCRIPTION OF A NEW SPECIES FROM THAILAND (COLEOPTERA: SCARABAEIDAE: APHODIINAE: EUPARIINI)

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**Abstract.**—The genus *Setylaides* Stebnicka, 1994, is revised, including one new species, *S. chiangmai* **sp. nov.** described from Thailand. Lectotypes of *Dialytes foveatus* Schmidt, *D. punctatus* Schmidt and *D. javanus* Schmidt are designated and a key to species is provided. At present, five species are recognized within the genus, occurring exclusively in the Oriental region.



**Key words.**—Coleoptera, Eupariini, *Setylaides*, taxonomy, lectotypes, new species, Oriental region.

## A REVISION OF THE GENUS SYNONA POPE, 1989 (COLEOPTERA: COCCINELLIDAE: COCCINELLINI)

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Abstract.— The genus Synona Pope (1989) (Coleoptera: Coccinellidae: Coccinellini) is revised, with particular reference to the Oriental and Australasian species complex widely identified as S. melanaria (Mulsant, 1850), the type species. It is concluded that the name S. melanaria ought to be applied to the species currently known as S. seminigra (Weise, 1902) and a lectotype is designated for S. melanaria. Synona seminigra (Weise, 1902) is synonymised with S. melanaria (new synonym). Coccinella cassidoides Montrouzier, 1857 (not C. cassidoides Donovan, 1798), and Harmonia anthracina Iablokoff-Khnzorian, 1982 are reduced to junior synonyms of S. melanaria (Mulsant, 1850) (new synonyms). Synona melanopepla (Mulsant, 1850), distributed in the Indian subcontinent and hitherto considered as a synonym of S. melanaria, is recognized as a valid species (status revived). Synona rougeti (Mulsant, 1866), Lemnia melanoptera Iablokoff-Khnzorian, 1978, and Lemnia (Synia) martini Iablokoff-Khnzorian, 1984 are synonymised with S. melanopepla (new synonyms). Three new species are described: S. obscura sp. nov. (India), S. consanguinea sp. nov. (China, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam), S. philippinensis sp. nov. (Philippines). A key to the species is provided, along with biological information wherever available. Coelophora vidua Mulsant, 1850 is synonymised with Coelophora inaequalis (Fabricius, 1775) (new synonym).

## TAXONOMICAL AND FAUNISTICAL NOTES ON ASIAN APOPHYLIA (COLEOPTERA: CHRYSOMELIDAE: GALERUCINAE)

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Abstract.—Three new species of *Apophylia* are described, illustrated and compared with related taxa: *A. liska* sp. nov. (India: Meghalaya), *A. blecha* sp. nov. and *A. algie* sp. nov. (both India: Tamil Nadu). *Apophylia pavlae* Bezděk, 2003 is proposed as a new synonym of *A. melli* Gressitt et Kimoto, 1963. New faunistical data of 34 *Apophylia* species are presented. *Apophylia phuphanensis* Bezděk, 2006 is newly reported from Vietnam, *A. vietnamica* Samoderzhenkov, 1988 from China, *A. denisae* Bezděk, 2005 from Thailand, *A. hajeki* Bezděk, 2003 from India, *A. schawalleri* Medvedev, 1992 from China and *A. samoderzhenkovi* Medvedev, 1993 from India.



**Key words.**— Taxonomy, new species, synonymy, Coleoptera, Chrysomelidae, Galerucinae, *Apophylia*, Oriental Region.

## AULEXIS ERYTHRODERA, A NEW SPECIES OF LEAF-BEETLE FROM MYANMAR (COLEOPTERA: CHRYSOMELIDAE: EUMOLPINAE)

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**Abstract.**—Aulexis erythrodera, a new species of leaf-beetle from Myanmar is described and illustrated.



**Key words.**—Coleoptera, Chrysomelidae, Eumolpinae, *Aulexis erythrodera*, new species, description, Myanmar.

# THREE NEW SPECIES OF *CASSIDA* LINNÉ, 1758 FROM INDIA AND NOTE ON *THLASPIDA OBENBERGERI*SPAETH, 1928 (COLEOPTERA: CHRYSOMELIDAE: CASSIDINAE: CASSIDINI)

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Abstract.— Three species of *Cassida* Linné, 1758 from NE India are described as new to the science: *Cassida mishmiensis* sp. nov. (Arunachal Pradesh), *C. atrosignata* sp. nov. (Arunachal Pradesh) and *C. pacholatkoi* sp. nov. (Meghalaya). Type material of *Thlaspida obenbergeri* Spaeth, 1928 has been studied and a lectotype designation is given here. *Thlaspida obenbergeri* is transferred to the genus *Cassida* (comb. nov.) and a following new synonym is proposed: *Cassida crucipennis* Borowiec, 2003 = *Cassida obenbergeri* (Spaeth, 1928).



## DESCRIPTION OF IMMATURES OF CYRTONOTA LATERALIS (LINNAEUS, 1758) (COLEOPTERA: CHRYSOMELIDAE: CASSIDINAE: MESOMPHALINI)

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**Abstract.**— Egg, first and last instar larvae and pupa of *Cyrtonota lateralis* (Linnaeus, 1758), a member of the tribe Mesomphalini Chapuis, 1875 (= Stolaini Hincks, 1952), have been described and figured in detail for the first time. Immatures were figured using light microscope, for the first instar larva also SEM photos were prepared.



**Key words.**— Coleoptera, Chrysomelidae, Cassidinae, Mesomphalini, *Cyrtonota lateralis*, larva, pupa, Neotropics.

## IMMATURE STAGES OF ASTERIZA FLAVICORNIS (OLIVIER) AND PHYSONOTA ALUTACEA BOHEMAN (COLEOPTERA: CHRYSOMELIDAE: CASSIDINAE)

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Abstract.—The first instar larva of *Physonota alutacea* Boheman, 1854, a member of the tribe Physonotini Spaeth, 1942, and the mature larva and pupa of *Asteriza flavicornis* (Olivier, 1790), a member of the tribe Asterizini Hincks, 1952, are described for the first time. The mature larva and the pupa of *Physonota alutacea* are redescribed. Immatures are figured and described using light microscopy, the first instar larva of *Physonota alutacea* using scanning electron microscopy. Similarities in the larval morphologies of *Cistudinella* Champion, 1894, a member of the tribe Ischyrosonychini, Chapuis, 1875, and *Physonota* suggest both genera are close phylogenetically and should be placed in a single tribe. The additional similarities between the mature larva of *Asteriza* and those of *Physonota* and *Cistudinella* suggest all three genera should be placed within a single tribe.



**Key words.**— Coleoptera, Chrysomelidae, Cassidinae, Physonotini, Asterizini, *Physonota alutacea*, *Asteriza flavicornis*, morphology of immatures, Neotropics.