

SOME GENERIC CORRECTIONS IN THE OPHIONINÆ.

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Tribe ANOMALINI = (NOTOTRACHINI)

Genus **Anomalon** Panzer.**Anomalon** Panzer. 1805, Fauna Ins. German., H. 94, p. 15.*Type*.—*Anomalon cruentatus* Panzer. Monobasic.*Syn.* *Trachynotus* Gravenhorst. 1829, Ichn. Eur., vol. 3, p. 713 (nec Latreille).*Type*.—*Ophion foliator* Fabricius. Monobasic.*Syn.* *Nototrachys* Marshall. 1872 Trans. Ent. Soc. London, p. 260, new name for *Trachynotus* Gravenhorst.*Syn.* *Ochlerus* Gistel. 1848, Naturg. Thierry, p. xl, new name for *Trachynotus* Gravenhorst.

When Panzer proposed *Anomalon cruentatus* in 1805 he established *Anomalon* as a monobasic genus. *Anomalon cruentatus* Panzer has remained in the literature as an unknown species. The only note which indicates its identity is that of Gravenhorst, 1829, Ichn. Eur., vol. 3, p. 720, where under the discussion of *Trachynotus foliator* he states that he has received specimens labelled *Anomalon cruentatus* Panzer and that this is a black variety of *foliator* but he considers that *cruentatus* of Panzer is different from *foliator* because the ovipositor is longer than in the specimens of *foliator* which he had. By consulting the figure of *cruentatus* given by Panzer we can say that this species undoubtedly belongs to the genus *Nototrachys*, and from the specimens and literature available we are inclined to believe that *cruentatus* of Panzer is the same as or extremely closely allied to *foliator* Fabricius.

This information makes it necessary to consider *Nototrachys* and its various accepted synonyms as synonymous with *Anomalon* Panzer, and to change the tribe Nototrachini to Anomalini.

THERIONINI = (ANOMALINI Ashmead et Auctorum)

Genus **Therion** Curtis.**Therion** Curtis. 1839, Brit. Ent., vol. 16, p. 736.*Type*.—*Ichneumon circumflexus* Linnæus. Original designation.*Syn.* *Exochilum* Wesmael. (1844) 1850, Bull. Acad. Sci. Belgium, vol. 16, pt. 2, p. 119 and 122.*Type*.—*Ichneumon circumflexus* Linnæus. Monobasic.

Inasmuch as Curtis designated the type of *Therion* as *circumflexus* Linnæus the name *Exochilum* Wesmael which was proposed for the same species was unnecessary and as Curtis' genus antedates Wesmael's by ten years, *Exochilum* of Wesmael becomes a synonym of *Therion* Curtis, the two genera being isogenotypic.

Since *Anomalon* has to be used for *Nototrachys* (see above), the Tribe Anomalini of Ashmead and authors should be known under a name derived from that of the oldest genus which it contains. This is *Therion*, therefore the Anomalini of Ashmead and authors should be designated as Therionini.

Genus **Erigorgus** Förster.

Erigorgus Förster. 1868. Verh. Naturhist. Ver. Preuss. Rheinland, vol. 25, p. 146.

Type.—*Anomalon* (*Erigorgus*) *carinatum* Brischke. Monobasic by Brischke in 1880.

Syn. *Barylypa* Förster. 1868. Verh. Naturhist. Ver. Preuss. Rheinland, vol. 25, p. 146.

Type.—*Anomalon* (*Barylypa*) *genalis* Thomson. Included by Thomson in 1892 and designated by Viereck in 1911.

According to Szepligeti and Schmiedeknecht the types of the above mentioned genera are congeneric. It is therefore necessary to sink *Barylypa* of Förster to *Erigorgus*, as *Erigorgus* has line precedence.

The *Erigorgus* of Schmiedeknecht, Opusc. Ichnn., vol. 4, 1908, p. 1484, is without a name but inasmuch as we are not sufficiently familiar with this genus we hesitate to propose a name for it especially as Szepligetti considers this group to be congeneric with the type of *Paranomalon* Viereck.

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