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Revision of rove beetle genus Bolitogyrus Chevrolat (Staphylininae, Cyrtoquediini). Supplement I

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Abstract

Bolitogyrus is a moderately diverse genus of 78 species that are widely disjunct in the subtropical and tropical forests of the Neotropical and Oriental regions. Following recent revisions of both the Neotropical and Oriental species, this study provides new distributional data, a revised species concept for *Bolitogyrus strigifrons* (Wendeler) **sensu nov.**, and the description of *B. pseudostrigifrons* **sp. nov.** and *B. nigropolitoides* **sp. nov.**, bringing the total number of *Bolitogyrus* species to 80. Several keys are updated to reflect the newly available data and new species.

Keywords

Neotropical, new species, Oriental, Staphylinidae, taxonomy

Introduction

Bolitogyrus Chevrolat (Staphylininae, Cyrtoquediini) is an uncommonly collected genus of predatory rove beetles. Its 78 extant species are specialists of humid microhabitats on and in fungusy deadwood within the forests of the Neotropical and Oriental regions (Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014; Brunke 2017). Twenty-eight species are distributed from Mexico to Ecuador (Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014), while the 50 Oriental species are distributed west of Wallace's Line, from the Himalayan region and southwest India, east to Taiwan (Brunke 2017). Briefly widespread across the northern hemisphere during one of the short early Eocene hyperthermals, the range of *Bolitogyrus* shortly thereafter diverged into two lineages and further contracted southward to refugia as

global climate polarized and temperate biomes emerged at higher latitudes during the Eocene–Oligocene transition (Brunke et al. 2017). Eocene fossils of the genus have revealed critical evidence of its past distribution in the Western Palaearctic (Baltic amber: *Bolitogyrus fragmentus* Brunke, Żyła & Solodovnikov) and North America (Green River Formation: undescribed taxon) (Brunke et al. 2017, 2019).

As a supplement to previous taxonomic revisions, the present work aims to publish new specimen data, refine concepts of described species, and describe two new species.

Materials and methods

Depositories

cShi	Personal collection of Y. Shibata, deposited at the Museum of Nature and
	Science, Toshiba, Japan (S. Nomura);
cSmet	Personal collection of A. Smetana, deposited at the Museum of Nature and
	Science, Toshiba, Japan (S. Nomura);
CMN	Canadian Museum of Nature, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (R. Anderson);
CNC	Canadian National Collection of Insects, Arachnids and Nematodes, Ot-
	tawa, Ontario, Canada;
IRSNB	Institut royal des Sciences Naturelles de Belgique, Brussels, Belgium
	(Y.Gérard, T. Struyve);
NHMD	Natural History Museum of Denmark, University of Copenhagen, Den-
	mark (A. Solodovnikov, J. Pedersen);
NMPC	National Museum Prague, Prague, Czech Republic (J. Hájek);
ROM	Royal Ontario Museum Collection, Toronto, Ontario, Canada (B. Hubley);
SDEI	Senckenberg Deutsches Entomologisches Institut, Müncheberg, Germany
	(S. Blank);
SEMC	Snow Entomological Collection, Biodiversity Institute, Kansas, USA (Z. Falin).

Specimen data

Type label data are given verbatim, with labels separated by "/" and comments indicated in square brackets. Non-type label data were standardized to improve clarity. Specimens were georeferenced using Google Earth or Google Maps.

Microscopy, illustration, and photography

All specimens were examined dry using a Nikon SMZ25 stereomicroscope. Genitalia and terminal segments of the abdomen were dissected and placed in glycerin filled vials, pinned with their respective specimens. Line illustrations were made from standard images and then digitally inked in Adobe Illustrator CC-2021. All imaging, including photomontage was accomplished using a motorized Nikon SMZ25 microscope and NIS Elements BR v. 4.5. Photos were post-processed in Adobe Photoshop CC-2021.

Measurements and character variability

All measurements were made using a live measurement module within NIS Elements BR v. 4.5. Measurements were taken as listed below, but only proportional (HW/HL, PW/PL, EW/EL, PW/HW) and forebody measurements were stated directly in descriptions. Total body length is generally difficult to standardize for Staphylinidae and was not measured due to the contractile nature of the abdomen.

HL	Head Length, at middle, from the anterior margin of frons to the nuchal
	ridge;
HW	Head Width, the greatest width, including the eyes;
PL	Pronotum Length, at middle;
PW	Pronotum Width, greatest width;
EL	Elytral Length, greatest length taken from level of the anterior most large,
	lateral macroseta to apex of elytra. EL approximates the length of the
	elytra not covered by the pronotum and therefore contributing to the
	forebody length;
EW	Elytral Width, greatest width;
ESut	Elytral Suture, apex of the scutellum to the apex of the elytra
Forebody	HL + PL + EL.

Taxonomy

Staphylininae Latreille, 1802 Cyrtoquediini Brunke & Solodovnikov, 2016

Bolitogyrus Chevrolat, 1842

Bolitogyrus Chevrolat, 1842: 641. Type species *Quedius buphthalmus* Erichson, 1840: 534, fixed by monotypy. Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014 (revision of Neotropical species); Cai et al. 2015 (Chinese species); Brunke 2017 (revision of Oriental species); Brunke et al. 2017 (biogeography, fossils); Brunke et al. 2019 (Baltic amber fossil); for extensive reference list, see Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014

Neotropical species

Buphthalmus group

Bolitogyrus costaricensis (Wendeler, 1927)

Cyrtothorax costaricensis Wendeler, 1927: 8 Cyrtothorax nevermanni Scheerpeltz, 1974: 181 (in key) Bolitogyrus costaricensis (Wendeler): Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014 (redescription) Non-type material. Nicaragua: Matagalpa Dept.: 6 km N Matagalpa, Selva Negra, 12°9'54"N, 85°4'36"W, 1300 m, montane forest, beating, 19–22.V.2002, R. Anderson (5, CMN).

Bolitogyrus erythrurus (Kraatz, 1858)

Fig. 1A-C

Cyrtothorax erythrurus Kraatz, 1858: 368 *Bolitogyrus erythrurus* (Kraatz): Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014 (redescription)

Type material. *Syntype* (1 female, SDEI): Nov. Gren. [green label script] / Coll. Kraatz [white label, printed] / erythrurus [green label, script] / Syntypus [red label, printed] / Syntype Q, Cyrtothorax erythrurus Kraatz, 1858, det A. Brunke 2013 [red printed label].

Non-type material. Country unknown: "Nova Grenada" [handwritten label], erythrurus Kr. [handwritten label], "R. I. Sc. N. B.", "17.479", "Coll. et det. A. Fauvel" (1 female, IRSNB).

Comments. Kraatz (1858) described *B. erythrurus* based on an unknown number of specimens from "Nova Grenada" [= Panama + Colombia]. Brunke and Solodovnikov (2014) were able to examine one female syntype from the Kraatz collection (SDEI) and redescribed the species based on this and several other, more recently collected single female specimens from medium elevations (1300–1350 m) in southern Puntarenas, Costa Rica and adjacent Chiriquí, Panama. However, the non-syntype females differed from the syntype in coloration, with the former group possessing a bluish forebody and brassy-green elytra (Fig. 1A), and the latter a brassy-green forebody and bluish elytra (Fig. 1B). The legs of the syntype also appeared darker and less clearly bicolored than the non-syntypes and most species of the genus (Fig. 1B), though this was thought to be due to age or discoloration from a killing agent (Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014). The above specimen from IRSNB (Fig. 1C), also collected from "Nova Grenada", corresponds closely with the syntype in coloration, including the faintly but clearly bicolored legs with a paler area in the basal third of the femur. This raises the possibility that *B. erythrurus* was originally described from present-day Colombia rather than Panama and may not be conspecific with the specimens previously examined from Central America. This hypothesis is further supported by an image taken by D. Hoyos Velasquez of a live specimen from La Tebaida, Quindío, Colombia (mid-elevation, northern Andes), matching the coloration of specimens from "Nova Grenada" and posted on various social media websites (e.g., https://www.facebook. com/groups/491915904153407/posts/2464208683590776). This image represents the first definitive evidence of the Buphthalmus group in South America. A more accurate species concept for *B. erythrurus* is badly needed but will not be possible without the study of male specimens from both Central and South America.

Although the specimen from IRSNB is quite old and collected from "Nova Grenada", it is not considered to be a syntype of *Cyrtothorax erythrurus* as the labels are different from that of the syntype deposited in the Kraatz collection (Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014).

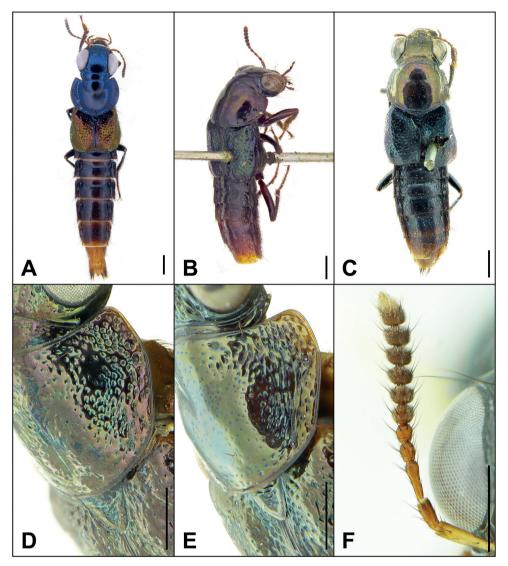


Figure 1. A–C habitus of *Bolitogyrus erythrurus* (Kraatz) **A** non-type, Panama **B** syntype, "Nova Grenada" **C** non-type, "Nova Grenada" **D**, **E** pronotum, lateral view **D** *B. viridescens* Brunke **E** *B. pseudostrigifrons* Brunke **F** antenna of *B. nigropolitoides* Brunke. Scale bars: 1 mm (**A**, **B**); 0.5 mm (**D–F**).

Bolitogyrus sallei (Kraatz, 1858)

Cyrtothorax sallei Kraatz, 1858: 367

Bolitogyrus sallei (Kraatz): Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014 (resurrection, redescription)

Non-type material. Mexico: Veracruz: "Jalappa" [= Xalapa] (1, NMPC).

Comment. Only two distant localities were previously known for this species: Chapulhuacán (Hidalgo) and Córdoba (Veracruz) (Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014).

Bolitogyrus salvini (Sharp, 1884)

Cyrtothorax salvini Sharp, 1884: 341

Bolitogyrus salvini (Sharp): Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014 (redescription; three morphotypes)

Non-type material. Guatemala: Suchitepéquez: Volcán Atitlán, Ref. El Quetzal, 1670 m, 14.55067, –91.19235, 3–6.VI.2015, Z.H. Falin & F. Carrillo, ex. FIT [flight intercept trap], cloud forest (1 male, SEMC).

Comment. The above specimen perfectly corresponds to *B. salvini* morphotype I of Brunke and Solodovnikov (2014): forebody with greenish metallic reflections, disc of head without impunctate area, frontal impression weak, basal segments of abdomen reddish, apex of abdomen pale, parameral arms with dense peg setae. The only other known specimens of morphotype I are the male and female types from El Zapote, Guatemala, also in the Sierra Madre mountain range. The close morphological consistency of the non-type male with the type series suggests that the concept of *B. salvini* should be restricted to morphotype I alone. However, formal changes, including the possible description of new species corresponding to morphotypes II and III, should wait until the unknown male of morphotype II is studied.

Bullatus lineage

Strigifrons group

Revised key to the Strigifrons group

1	Base of head with a pair of large, glossy protuberances, creating expansive im-
	punctate areas (fig. 6A in Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014); Guatemala
_	Base of head with small, well separated protuberances that may or may not be
	entirely obscured by sculpture; Mexico
2	Head with small, shining, protuberances generally lacking sculpture; pronotum
	laterally without strigose sculpture forming longitudinal channels (Fig. 1D); ab-
	dominal tergite VI without median impunctate areaB. viridescens Brunke
_	Head with small protuberances, almost entirely obscured by sculpture; pronotum
	laterally with strigose sculpture forming longitudinal channels (Fig. 1E); abdomi-
	nal tergite VI with median impunctate area
3	Elytra with extensive strigose sculpture, not limited to lateral patch; abdominal
	tergite VII with median impunctate area; paramere longer than median lobe and
	with peg setae arranged in a simple, well-aligned marginal row at each side (Fig.
	2E); apex of median lobe in ventral view narrower and more strongly converging

Bolitogyrus pseudostrigifrons Brunke, sp. nov.

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Bolitogyrus strigifrons (Wendeler): Brunke and Solodovnikov, 2014 (misidentification, in part)

Type locality. Tlanchinol, 43 km SW Huejutla de Reyes, Hidalgo, Mexico.

Type material. *Holotype* (male, CNC): Mex: Hdgo., Tlanchinol, 43 km SW Huejutla, 14.VI.–4.VIII.1983, S.&J. Peck, 1500 m, cloud forest FIT [typed label] / *Bolitogyrus pseudostrigifrons* Brunke, des. Brunke, 2021 [red label].

Paratypes (4, CNC; 1 UAEH): same data as holotype (2 males, 2 females, CNC); **Hidalgo:** Zacualtipán, Camino a Sto. Domingo [trail to Santo Domingo], 20°38'00.7"N, 98°34'00.5"W, 1830 m, Bosque mixto? o mesofilo? [=mixed? or cloud forest?] pert. [=disturbed], en troncos podridos [in rotten logs], 16.VIII.2003, J. Asiain y J. Márquez (1 male, UAEH).

Etymology. The species epithet refers to the similarity to its sister species, *B. strigi-frons* (Wendeler).

Diagnosis. Within the Strigifrons group (for diagnosis, see Brunke and Solodovnikov (2014)): strigulose sculpture of elytra present but restricted to small lateral patch; posterior protuberances of head not creating expansive impunctate areas; abdominal tergite VI (but not VII) with disc impunctate medially. *Bolitogyrus pseudostrigifrons* is most similar to *B. strigifrons* but can be easily recognized externally by the lack of an impunctate medial area on tergite VII and the strigulose sculpture on the elytra limited to a lateral patch. The paramere is also markedly different (Fig. 2F), with the overall shape expanded subapically and with disorganized, marginal rows of peg setae that are often doubled; it is also shorter than the median lobe, while it is longer in *B. strigifrons*. Additionally, the apex of the median lobe in ventral view is broader and less strongly convergent (Fig. 2D).

Description. Measurements ♂ (*n* = 4): HW/HL 1.54–1.60; PW/PL 1.42–1.56; EW/EL 1.20–1.35; PW/HW 1.11–1.13; ESut/PL 0.82–0.90; forebody length 3.26–3.58 mm.

Measurements \bigcirc (*n* = 2): HW/HL 1.50–1.55; PW/PL 1.46–1.50; EW/EL 1.32–1.44; PW/HW 1.10; ESut/PL 0.82–0.88; forebody length 3.26–3.37 mm.

As in the description of *B. strigifrons* given by Brunke and Solodovnikov (2014) except: head distinctly more transverse (*B. strigifrons*, HW/HL = 1.38); elytra with strigose microsculpture confined to lateral patch; tergite VII without clear impunctate medial area; aedeagus with paramere distinctly shorter than median lobe; median lobe in ventral view broader, less strongly convergent to apex (Fig. 2D); median lobe in

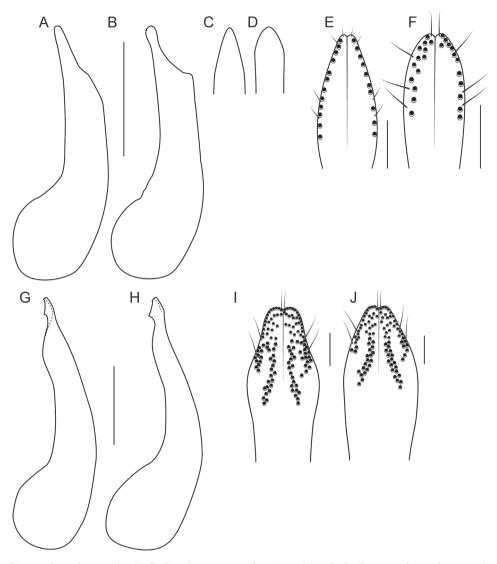


Figure 2. Male genitalia A, C, E *Bolitogyrus strigifrons* (Wendeler) B, D, F *B. pseudostrigifrons* Brunke G, I *B. nigropolitus* Smetana H, J *B. nigropolitoides* A, B, G, H median lobe in lateral and C, D ventral view. E, F, I, J inner face of paramere, apex. Scale bars: 0.5 mm (A–D, G, H); 0.1 mm (E, F, I, J).

lateral view with apex slightly swollen, knob-like (Fig. 2B); paramere spoon-shaped, apical part broadest subapically, with marginal row of peg setae disorganized and with several setae in row doubled (Fig. 2F), parameral setae thicker and longer.

Distribution. This species is known from two rather close localities in Hidalgo, Mexico.

Bionomics. Specimens were collected in cloud forests (1500–1830 m), using an FIT and from a rotten log.

Comments. In Brunke and Solodovnikov (2014), the only non-type specimen of *B. strigifrons* available (male from Hidalgo, listed as a paratype above) had the tip of the paramere missing. Although there were some external differences with the holotype that were noted, a conservative approach was taken, and they were treated as conspecific. A newly available series of specimens from Hidalgo (CNC), in good condition, revealed that two species are involved that differ both externally and in male genitalia. This is the species figured in Brunke and Solodovnikov (2014) as *B. strigifrons* (fig. 6F, 13E).

Bolitogyrus strigifrons (Wendeler, 1928), sensu nov.

Fig. 2A, C, E

Cyrtothorax strigifrons Wendeler, 1928: 34

Bolitogyrus strigifrons (Wendeler): Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014 (redescription; misidentification of *B. pseudostrigifrons*, in part)

Type material. Holotype, examined for Brunke and Solodovnikov (2014), images used for comparison.

Diagnosis. Within the Strigifrons group (for diagnosis, see Brunke and Solodovnikov (2014)): strigulose sculpture of elytra present and more expansive, not restricted to small lateral patch; posterior protuberances of head not creating expansive impunctate areas; abdominal tergites VI–VII with disc impunctate medially. *Bolitogyrus strigifrons* is most similar to *B. pseudostrigifrons* but can be easily recognized externally by the impunctate medial area on tergite VII and the more expansive strigulose sculpture on the elytra. The paramere is also markedly different (Fig. 2E), with the overall shape evenly narrowed to the apex and with simple, organized marginal rows of peg setae; it is also longer than the median lobe. Additionally, the median lobe in ventral view is more strongly convergent to a narrower apex (Fig. 2C)

Distribution. In its revised sense, *B. strigifrons* is known only from the holotype male, collected from an imprecise locality in Veracruz state, Mexico ("Jalapa").

Comments. At the moment, sister species *B. pseudostrigifrons* (Hidalgo) and *B. strigifrons* (Veracruz) appear to be broadly allopatric but more collecting is needed in Veracruz and Puebla states at medium elevations to verify this.

Bolitogyrus viridescens Brunke, 2014

Bolitogyrus viridescens Brunke in Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014: 73

Non-type material. Mexico: Veracruz: "Jalapa", Georg Heine (1 female, NMPC); Aguita Fria, 1.3 km SWW of Rancho Viejo (W of Xalapa), 19°31.3'N, 96°59.5'W, 1510 m, 9.IX.2016, Alvarado, Arriaga, Fikáček and Seidel lgt., sifting of thin layer of leaf litter, sparse riverside forest with emergent, large *Platanus* and dense understory (1 female, NHMD).

Comment. Bolitogyrus viridescens was previously known only from a single imprecise locality: ~9 km E Teziutlán. Although this locality was listed as from Puebla state on the labels of the type series (Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014), 9 km E of Teziutlán must be just over the border in neighboring Veracruz state. Based on the detailed record from Aguita Fria, *B. viridescens* is probably sympatric with *B. strigifrons*, and both are recorded from the general area around the city of Xalapa.

Neotropical species incertae sedis

Bolitogyrus newtoni Brunke, 2014

Bolitogyrus newtoni Brunke in Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014: 78

Non-type material. Guatemala: Suchitepéqez: Volcan Atitlán, Ref. El Quetzal, 1670 m, 14.55067, -91.19235, 6–10.VI.2015, Z.H. Falin & F. Carrillo, ex. FIT, cloud forest (1, SEMC); same except 10–13.VI.2015 (2, SEMC); same except 13–16. VI.2015 (1, SEMC).

Comments. The above material, more than doubling the number of known specimens, was collected by FIT very close to the locality of one paratype and indicate that this species readily disperses through flight.

Oriental species

Electus group

Revised key to the Electus group

Upon study of one paratype of *B. cyanipennis* (cSmet), it was discovered that this species can also have a darker abdomen, with only the apical margins of the tergites paler. The key below is emended below to accommodate for this color dimorphism.

3	Head with deeply impressed punctures, many punctures confluent, forming rows; Hubei and Guizhou, China
	Head with regular, non-impressed punctures, most punctures clearly separated,
_	Sichuan and Yunnan, China, Laos and Vietnam
4	Paramere with peg setae medially, on projected ridge; peg setae with median
	group extended clearly basad of marginal group; median lobe in lateral view with-
	out subapical teeth; Hubei, China
_	Paramere without projected ridge; peg setae with median group extended to no
	more than just behind level of marginal group; median lobe in lateral view with
	small subapical teeth; Guizhou, China
5	Hind tibia in lateral view with at least distal half distinctly paler than darkened
	portion of femur; paramere with median rows of peg setae extended far basad of
	marginal rows (Fig. 2I, J); median lobe in lateral view subparallel in middle por-
	tion (Fig. 2G, H)
_	Hind tibia in lateral view entirely dark, as dark as darkened portion of femur; para-
	mere with median rows of peg setae, if present, extended only just basad of marginal
	rows; median lobe in lateral view gradually widening basad from subapex
6	Antennomere 5 elongate, 6 very weakly transverse; paramere shorter than median
0	lobe, apex of median lobe visible in parameral view; paramere with wide subapical
	part angulate and then narrowed to broader, more truncate apex (Fig. 2I); median
	lobe in lateral view with large subapical expansion (Fig. 2G); Sichuan, China
	B. nigropolitus Smetana
_	Antennomere 5 subquadrate, 6 distinctly transverse (Fig. 1F); paramere slightly
	longer than median lobe, apex of median lobe not visible in parameral view;
	paramere with wide subapical part broadly rounded to narrower apex (Fig. 2J);
	median lobe in lateral view with only slight subapical expansion (Fig. 2H); north-
	ern Vietnam
7	Antennomeres 7–10 relatively elongate: 6 quadrate and 7 weakly transverse; para-
/	mere with attenuate apex
_	Antennomeres 7–10 relatively transverse: 6 weakly, and 7 distinctly transverse;
	paramere with evenly converging sides
8	Apex of median lobe in lateral view forming a more elongate triangle; paramere
0	in lateral view with broad lateral projection; Central Yunnan, China, east of the
	Salween River
_	Apex of median lobe in lateral view forming a shorter triangle; paramere in lateral
	view with sharp lateral projection; Western Yunnan, China, west of the Salween
	River
9	Peg setae absent from broad oval shaped area along middle of paramere; median lobe
	in lateral view without expansion basad of subapical tooth; Western Yunnan, China,
	west of the Salween River, possibly adjacent Myanmar <i>B. huanghaoi</i> Hu et al.
_	Peg setae absent from only narrow strip along middle of paramere; median lobe in
	lateral view with distinct expansion basad of subapical tooth; southeast Yunnan,
	China, and northern Laos and Vietnam (possibly northern Thailand)
	B. confusus Brunke
	2. Conjudite

Bolitogyrus confusus Brunke, 2017

Bolitogyrus confusus Brunke, 2017: 18 *Bolitogyrus electus* Smetana & Zheng, 2000: Hu et al. 2011 (misidentification)

Non-type material. Vietnam: Lai Châu: Hoàng Liên Nat. Pk., Tram Ton Pass

22.348, 103.775, 1948 m, subtropical forest, fungusy wood, beating, 23.VI.2017, R. Schuh (1 male, 1 female, CNC).

Comment. Newly recorded from Vietnam and known elsewhere from southern Yunnan, China and northern Laos. The above specimens fill in a distribution gap between the southern Chinese and Laos localities. *Bolitogyrus confusus* may also occur in northern Thailand. The specimens were collected by beating wooden trail posts that had weathered, cracked, and become fungusy in the constant humidity.

Bolitogyrus huanghaoi Hu et al., 2011

Bolitogyrus huanghaoi Hu et al., 2011: 60 Bolitogyrus huanghaoi Hu et al.: Brunke 2017 (redescription)

Non-type material. China: Yunnan: 1.8 km W Zizi vill., 2.VII.2016, 25°44.7'N, 98°33.6'E, 2005 m, from large dead tree stumps, J. Hajek and J. Ruzicka (1 female, NMPC).

Comments. Although this specimen is a single female, the transverse antennomeres and its locality west of the Salween River ("Nujiang" in China) allow for a determination to *B. huanghaoi*. The specimen represents only the third record for this species, just west (~13 km) of the type locality. Another single female is known from just over the border in Myanmar (Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014).

Bolitogyrus uncus Cai et al., 2015

Bolitogyrus uncus Cai et al., 2015: 472 *Bolitogyrus uncus* Cai et al.: Brunke et al. 2017 (redescription)

Non-type material. China: Yunnan: Gaoligong mts, 2200–2500 m, 24.57, 98.45, 8–16.V.1995, O. Semela (5, cShi).

Comments. The female paratype of sister species *B. electus*, collected from Gaoligongshan, was considered of doubtful identity by Brunke (2017) based on it being a western outlier from the main distribution of that species. A series of males and females from the same locality indicate that this female paratype is really *B. uncus* and that these two species are probably separated allopatrically by the Salween River valley ("Nujiang" in China).

Bolitogyrus nigropolitoides Brunke, sp. nov.

http://zoobank.org/E2752AD1-20AB-49C7-ADBB-86EEFA76FDCE Figs 1F, 2H, J

Type locality. Phia Oac National Park, Cao Bang, Vietnam.

Type material. *Holotype* (male, CNC): Vietnam, Cao Bang, Phia Oac Nat. Park, summit rd., behind upper FIT, 22°36'21.60"N, 105°52'19.20"E, 1600 m, mat. secondary forest, fogging standing dead tree w/ orange fungus, 7–17.V.2019, A. Brunke & H. Schillhammer, CNC1898850 [typed label] / *Bolitogyrus nigropolitoides* Brunke, des. Brunke, 2021 [red label]

Etymology. The species epithet refers to the similar species *B. nigropolitus* from Sichuan, China.

Diagnosis. Within the Electus group (for diagnosis, see Brunke and Solodovnikov 2014): abdomen entirely dark; head without deeply impressed punctures; lateral face of hind tibia bicolored, distal half distinctly paler than darkened part of hind femur; antennomere 5 subquadrate, 6 distinctly transverse (Fig. 1F); paramere slightly longer than median lobe, in ventral view median lobe not visible; paramere with apical part broadly rounded to apex (Fig. 2J); median lobe in lateral view with smaller subapical expansion (Fig. 2H).

Description. Measurements \bigcirc (*n* = 1): HW/HL 1.30; PW/PL 1.17; EW/EL 1.12; ESut/PL 0.85; PW/HW 1.09; forebody length 4.5 mm.

Very similar to *Bolitogyrus nigropolitus* (Fig. 2G, 2I) except: antennae shorter, antennomere 5 subquadrate, 6 distinctly transverse (Fig. 1F); pronotum slightly less transverse; elytral slightly longer; paramere slightly longer than median lobe, in ventral view median lobe not visible with paramere in situ; paramere with apical part broadly rounded to narrower apex (Fig. 2J); median lobe in lateral view with subapical expansion much smaller (Fig. 2H).

Distribution. This species is known only from Phia Oac National Park in northern Vietnam, though it likely occurs at similar elevations in neighboring Yunnan, China and elsewhere in northern Vietnam east of the Red River.

Bionomics. The holotype was pyrethrin-fogged from a dead standing tree, bearing orange-fungal fruiting bodies.

Caesareus group

Bolitogyrus sp.

Non-type material. Indonesia: Sumatra: Aceh, G. Leuser Nat. Pk., Ketambe Res. Sta., 3°41'N, 97°39'E, primary rainforest, malaise trap, 350 m, XII.1989, IIS 89001B, D.C. Darling, 1 female (ROM).

Comments. The above single female specimen is similar to *B. proximus* but could also represent an undescribed species. The genus is newly reported from the island of Sumatra, where it is undoubtedly diverse but extremely poorly sampled.

Vulneratus group

Bolitogyrus flavus Yuan et al., 2007

Bolitogyrus flavus Yuan et al., 2007: 148 *Bolitogyrus flavus* Yuan et al.: Brunke 2017 (redescription)

Non-type material. Vietnam: Hoa Bihn: "Tonkin", de Cooman (1, NMPC).

Bolitogyrus depressus Cai et al., 2015

Bolitogyrus depressus Cai et al., 2015: 454 Bolitogyrus depressus Cai et al.: Brunke 2017 (redescription)

Non-type material. China: Guangdong: Nanling Nat. Reserve, Dadongshan, 18–21.IV.2013, border of mixed forest, 24°56.0'N, 112°42.9'E, 690 m, J. Hajek and J. Ruzicka (1, NMPC); **Guangxi:** Longsheng Hot Spring, forested river valley, wet rocks, 25°53.6'N, 110°12.4'E, 360 m, 11–14.IV.2013, M. Fikacek, J.Hajek, J. Ruzicka (2, NMPC).

Comments. This species is newly reported from Guangxi, indicating that it is probably very broadly distributed in the low forested hills of southeastern China. The specimens from wet rocks in a forested river valley probably dropped when disturbed from overhanging coarse woody debris.

Bolitogyrus tumidus Brunke, 2017

Bolitogyrus tumidus Brunke, 2017: 55

Non-type material. Laos: Hua Phan: 20°13'9–19"N, 103°59'54–104°0'3"E, 1480– 1510 m, Phou Pane Mt. [= Mt. Phu Phan], 22.IV.–14.V.2008, Vit. Kuban (3, NMPC).

Bolitogyrus himalayicus Brunke, 2017

Bolitogyrus himalayicus Brunke, 2017: 66 Bolitogyrus vulneratus Fauvel, 1878: Smetana 1988 (misidentification of B. himalayicus)

Non-type material. Nepal: Prov. No. 1: Khandbari, Arun Valley, at Num bridge, 1050 m, 22.IV.1984, Smetana and Löbl (1 male, cSmet).

Comments. *Bolitogyrus himalayicus* is here newly reported from Nepal. The above specimen is substantially larger than the holotype and was collected at a higher eleva-

tion (200 m versus 1000 m), but its aedeagal morphology corresponds perfectly. This specimen also represents the only record of the genus from Nepal and was previously reported by Smetana (1988) under the name *B. vulneratus*. The couplets from the key in Brunke (2017) should be modified as follows:

30	Paramere with subbasal expansion in lateral view; Garo Hills, Meghalaya, India.
_	Paramere without subbasal expansion in lateral view; Khasi Hills, Meghalaya, and
	Himalaya of Nepal and West Bengal, India31
31	Apex of the median lobe in parameral view with single toothed carina; paramere
	with peg setae arranged in disorganized marginal row, apex with dense group;
	Himalaya of Nepal and West Bengal, India
_	Apex of median lobe in parameral view with double-toothed carina; paramere
	with peg setae in sparse, single marginal row; Khasi Hills, Meghalaya, India
	<i>B. nanus</i> Brunke

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