



The family Paludomidae Stoliczka, 1868 has a range from tropical sub-Saharan Africa and Madagascar to South and Southeast Asia. Genus-level diversity of African paludomids is concentrated in the Lake Tanganyika basin and surrounding rivers and streams, with only two genera recorded from the remaining parts of Africa. Only a single genus (with four subgenera) is currently accepted for Asian representatives. The striking diversity of shell forms in Lake Tanganyika has led to the introduction of a large number of names, most of which introduced by Jules René Bourguignat at the end of the 19th century who is well known as an excessive splitter. Taxonomic redundancy is expected to be high in the group, however, comprehensive revisions and/or overviews of the taxonomic diversity are lacking for most Paludomidae.

To facilitate systematic research on the family, this nomenclator provides bibliographic details on all names introduced in the family-, genus-, and species-group. All nomenclaturally available names are discussed including junior homonyms and objective junior synonyms as well as unavailable names such as nomina nuda, infrasubspecific names and, to some extent, also incorrect subsequent spellings. In the family-group a total of 28 names are included in the nomenclator. In the genus-group 57 names are listed, while in the species-group a total of 499 names are included, of which 463 are available, but 21 are invalid for nomenclatural reasons.

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ANNOTATED NOMENCLATOR OF EXTANT AND FOSSIL TAXA OF THE PALUDOMIDAE (CAENOGASTROPODA, CERITHIOIDEA)

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