

Description of 23 new species of the *Exocelina ekari*-group from New Guinea, with a key to all representatives of the group (Coleoptera, Dytiscidae, Copelatinae)

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Abstract

Twenty three new species of *Exocelina* Broun, 1886 from New Guinea are described herein: *E. bewaniensis* sp. n., *E. bismarckensis* sp. n., *E. craterensis* sp. n., *E. gorokaensis* sp. n., *E. herowana* sp. n., *E. jimiensis* sp. n., *E. kisli* sp. n., *E. ksionseki* sp. n., *E. lembena* sp. n., *E. mantembu* sp. n., *E. michaelensis* sp. n., *E. pinocchio* sp. n., *E. pseudoastrophallus* sp. n., *E. pseudobifida* sp. n., *E. pseudoedeltraudae* sp. n., *E. pseudoeme* sp. n., *E. sandaunensis* sp. n., *E. simbaiarea* sp. n., *E. skalei* sp. n., *E. tabubilensis* sp. n., *E. tariensis* sp. n., *E. vovai* sp. n., and *E. wannangensis* sp. n. All of them have been found to belong to the *E. ekari*-group. An identification key to all known species of the group is provided, and important diagnostic characters (habitus, color, male antennae, protarsomeres 4–5, median lobes, and parameres) are illustrated. Data on the distribution of the new species and some already described species are given.

Keywords

Exocelina ekari-group, Copelatinae, Dytiscidae, new species, New Guinea

Introduction

The *Exocelina ekari*-group, the largest species group of New Guinea *Exocelina*, was introduced by Balke et al. (2007) and Shaverdo et al. (2012) for 26 species. Listing several diagnostic characters of the group, we proposed a discontinuous outline of the median lobe of the aedeagus as the main diagnostic character of the group (for details, see Shaverdo et al. (2012), p. 4). We have recently detected 23 additional new species of this group, which are described here. Also, *E. vladimiri* (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005) has been found to belong to this group based on the strong morphological similarity to *E. skalei* sp. n. These two species are assumed to present a separate morphological and genetic complex, which appears to be one of the basal lineages within the *E. ekari*-group (Toussaint et al. 2014).

Our examination of additional material from the Western Highlands Province of Papua New Guinea showed that the type series of *E. edeltraudae* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012 consists of two different species. Therefore, the new species *E. pseudodeltraudae* sp. n. is described and *E. edeltraudae* redescribed.

The species identification key proposed in Shaverdo et al. (2012) is here modified to include the new representatives of the *ekari*-group. The distribution of the new species is mapped, and additional faunistic data are provided for some already described species.

At present, including this work, 88 species of the genus *Exocelina* Broun, 1886 are described from New Guinea (Balke 1998, 1999, Shaverdo and Balke 2014, Shaverdo et al. 2005, 2012, 2013) with 141 described species of *Exocelina* known worldwide (Nilsson 2013, Shaverdo and Balke 2014, Shaverdo et al. 2013). With 50 described species, the *E. ekari*-group is the most speciose group of the genus.

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Material and methods

The present work is based on the material from the following collections:

CASk	collection of Andre Skale, Hof/Saale, Germany
MZB	Museum Zoologicum Bogoriense, Cibinong, Indonesia (Dr H. Sutrisno)
NARI	Papua New Guinea National Insect Collection, Port Moresby, PNG (Mr Mark Ero)
NHMW	Naturhistorisches Museum Wien, Vienna, Austria (Dr M.A. Jäch)
ZSM	Zoologische Staatssammlung München, Munich, Germany (Dr M. Balke)

All specimen data are quoted as they appear on the labels attached to the specimens. Label text is cited using quotation marks. Comments in square brackets are ours. We extracted DNA and obtained DNA sequence data for some of the species/specimens, marked with individual DNA extraction numbers (e.g., “256 DNA M. Balke”). All types of the herein described specimens are provided with red labels. Female specimens, identification of which is difficult or sometimes impossible, were included in the type series only when they were collected with males of respective species and did not show external morphological differences from them. If two or more morphologically similar species were collected together (i.e., males found together), their females were not included in the type series of the respective species but were instead mentioned under additional material. Species descriptions are based on the whole type series.

Some of the species treated herein are very similar to each other and, based on low overall genetic divergence, most likely also are of very recent origin (Toussaint et al. 2014). We have used constant morphological differences based on examined series as an indicator of interrupted gene flow and as an operational criterion to delineate biological species. However, we suggest that extensive population genetic work using genomic data might reveal many additional lineages that represent putative species in this highly structured geographic and geological setting.

Measurements were taken with a Wild M10 stereomicroscope. The following abbreviations were used: TL (total body length), TL-H (total body length without head), MW (maximum body width), UNCEN (Universitas Cendrawasih, Papua, Jayapura, Indonesia), UNIPA (Universitas Papua, Manokwari, West Papua, Indonesia), and hw (handwritten). Number of the ventral setae of the male protarsomere 5 is given only for one specimen of each species, which was mounted on a glass slide (see below) for drawing. This character was found to be not very useful for species identification since it is possible to make a general statement on the setation pattern (short/long, dense/sparse) but not to count them with certainty at the magnification of normal dissecting microscopes. The potential phylogenetic information content of this character will be studied in a further work.

Drawings were made with the aid of a camera lucida attached to a Leica DM 2500 microscope. For detailed study and drawing, antennae, protarsi, and genitalia were removed and mounted on glass slides with DMHF (dimethyl hydantoin formaldehyde) as temporary preparations. The drawings were scanned and edited, using the software Adobe Illustrator CS5.1. Arrangement of the figures follows the species order in the key.

The terminology to denote the orientation of the genitalia (ventral for median lobe and dorsal and external for paramere) follows Miller and Nilsson (2003). The terminology on the structure of the prosternum follows Larson et al. (2000). Administrative divisions of Indonesia and Papua New Guinea follow information from Wikipedia (2014a–c).

Checklist and distribution of species of the *Exocelina ekari*-group

Abbreviations: IN – Indonesia, PNG – Papua New Guinea. Only new species are numbered.

	<i>Exocelina alexanderi</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: West Papua: Manokwari
	<i>Exocelina anggiensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: West Papua: Manokwari
	<i>Exocelina arfakensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: West Papua: Manokwari
	<i>Exocelina astrophallus</i> (Balke, 1998)	PNG: Madang
	<i>Exocelina atowaso</i> (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005)	PNG: Madang, East Sepik, Enga
1.	<i>Exocelina bewaniensis</i> sp. n.	IN: Papua: Sarmi, Mamberamo Raya, Nabire, Paniai; PNG: Sandaun
	<i>Exocelina bifida</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Jayawijaya, PNG: Sandaun
2.	<i>Exocelina bismarckensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Eastern Highlands, Simbu
	<i>Exocelina brahminensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	PNG: Sandaun, East Sepik, Madang, Morobe, Eastern Highlands
	<i>Exocelina bundiensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	PNG: Madang, Eastern Highlands
3.	<i>Exocelina craterensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Simbu/Eastern Highlands
	<i>Exocelina edeltraudae</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	PNG: Western Highlands
	<i>Exocelina ekari</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai
	<i>Exocelina eme</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Jayawijaya
	<i>Exocelina evelyncheesmanae</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: West Papua: Raja Ampat
4.	<i>Exocelina gorokaensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Eastern and Western Highlands, Simbu
	<i>Exocelina hansferyi</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	PNG: Morobe
5.	<i>Exocelina herowana</i> sp. n.	PNG: Eastern Highlands, Simbu
	<i>Exocelina irianensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai
6.	<i>Exocelina jimienensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Western Highlands
	<i>Exocelina kakapupu</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai
7.	<i>Exocelina kisli</i> sp. n.	PNG: Morobe and Gulf
	<i>Exocelina knoepfchen</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	PNG: Eastern Highlands, Simbu
8.	<i>Exocelina ksionseki</i> sp. n.	PNG: Madang and Western Highlands
9.	<i>Exocelina lembena</i> sp. n.	PNG: East Sepik
10.	<i>Exocelina mantembu</i> sp. n.	IN: Papua: Yapen Islands
11.	<i>Exocelina michaelensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Eastern Highlands
	<i>Exocelina munaso</i> (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005)	PNG: Eastern Highlands, Simbu
	<i>Exocelina oceai</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai
12.	<i>Exocelina pinocchio</i> sp. n.	PNG: Madang
	<i>Exocelina polita</i> (Sharp, 1882)	IN: West Papua: Manokwari
13.	<i>Exocelina pseudoastrophallus</i> sp. n.	PNG: East Sepik
14.	<i>Exocelina pseudobifida</i> sp. n.	PNG: Sandaun
15.	<i>Exocelina pseudoedeltraudae</i> sp. n.	PNG: Hela
16.	<i>Exocelina pseudoeme</i> sp. n.	PNG: Sandaun
	<i>Exocelina pseudosoppi</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai, Jayapura
17.	<i>Exocelina sandaunensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Sandaun
18.	<i>Exocelina simbaiarea</i> sp. n.	PNG: Madang
19.	<i>Exocelina skalei</i> sp. n.	IN: West Papua: Kaimana
	<i>Exocelina soppi</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai
20.	<i>Exocelina tabubilensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Western, Sandaun
21.	<i>Exocelina tariensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Hela
	<i>Exocelina unipo</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai
	<i>Exocelina utowaensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai
	<i>Exocelina vladimiri</i> (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005)	IN: Papua: Yapen Islands

22. <i>Exocelina vovai</i> sp. n.	PNG: Morobe
<i>Exocelina waigeoensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: West Papua: Raja Ampat
23. <i>Exocelina wannangensis</i> sp. n.	PNG: Madang
<i>Exocelina weylandensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: Papua: Nabire, Paniai
<i>Exocelina wondiwoiensis</i> Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012	IN: West Papua: Teluk Wondama

Species descriptions

1. *Exocelina bewaniensis* Shaverdo, Menufandu & Balke, sp. n.

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Figs 21–23, 49

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB1295: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province, Bewani Mts., approximately 03°05.13'S; 141°10.23'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Bewani Stn., stream @ base of Bewani Mts., 200–300 m, 12.iv.2006, nr. 03.05.130S 141.10.227E, Balke & Sagata (PNG 37)” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: **Papua New Guinea**: 6 males, 5 females with the same label as the holotype, one male additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 1295” (NHMW, ZSM). 1 male, 2 females “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Bewani Stn., forest puddles @ base of Bewani Mts., 300 m, 12.iv.2006, nr. 03.05.130S 141.10.227E, Balke & Sagata (PNG 38)” (ZSM). **Indonesia: Papua Province: Mamberamo Raya Regency**: 1 male “IRIAN JAYA: Jayapura Prov. Mamberamo, Rouffaer Mts. Noiadi, 150 – 200m 17.3.1992, leg. Riedel” [approximately 02°46'S, 137°46'E] (NHMW). **Sarmi Regency**: 13 males, 7 females “Indonesia: Papua, Sarmi Waaf, N Foja Mts, waterfall in forest, 120m, 23.ix.2014, -2.3317793 138.7500472, Menufandu (Pap031)” (MZB, NHMW, ZSM). 6 males, 4 females “Indonesia: Papua, Sarmi area, 70m 25.ix.2014, -1.9713908 138.8491402, Menufandu (Pap032)” (MZB, ZSM). **Nabire/Paniai Regencies**: 7 males, 3 females “Indonesia: Papua, Road Nabire–Enarotali KM 111, 100m, 23.x.2011, 03 31.192S 135 55.426E, UNCEN (PAP15)” (MZB, NHMW, ZSM). 6 males “Indonesia: Papua, Road Nabire–Enarotali KM 80, 250m, 22.x.2011, 03 33.860S 135 46.473E, UNCEN (PAP12)” (MZB, NHMW, ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, piceous, with paler clypeus and pronotal sides, shiny; pronotum without lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with weak submedian constriction in ventral view; paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part short, rounded, with upper setae almost inconspicuous or rather distinct and lower relatively long, dense, thick, and flattened. The species is similar to *E. soppi* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012, from which differs with larger male protarsomere 4, narrower apex of the median lobe, and paramere setae thicker and somewhat flattened.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle small (TL-H 3.1–3.6 mm, TL 3.45–4.0 mm, MW 1.65–1.95 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Head brown to piceous, with paler clypeus and sometimes vertex; pronotum with dark brown to piceous disc and reddish brown to dark brown sides; elytra dark brown to piceous, sometimes with narrow reddish brown sutural lines; head appendages yellowish to reddish, legs distally darker, especially metathoracic legs (Fig. 49). Teneral specimens with coloration paler.

Surface sculpture: Head with dense punctation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures), evidently finer and sparser anteriorly; diameter of punctures smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with much sparser and finer punctation than on head. Elytra with extremely sparse and fine punctation, almost invisible. Pronotum and elytra with weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface shiny. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum without lateral bead or with weak traces of lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, less rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively broad, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 21A). Protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 11–13 and posterior row of 5–6 short setae (Fig. 21B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 7–14 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with weak submedian constriction in ventral view and elongate apex in lateral view (Fig. 21C, D). Upper margin of apex distinctly curved or almost straight in lateral view. Paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part short, rounded, with upper setae almost inconspicuous or rather distinct and lower relatively long, dense, thick, and flattened; setae of proximal part more or less numerous, thin (Fig. 21E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.4 mm, TL 3.7 mm, MW 1.8 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from males, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Variability (Figs 21–23). *Exocelina bewaniensis* sp. n. is described using the material from three different regions (Fig. 53). The specimens from these regions demonstrate variability in size (from Bewani: TL-H 3.35–3.45 mm, TL 3.7–3.75 mm, MW 1.75–1.8 mm; Nabire-Enarotali: TL-H 3.1–3.4 mm, TL 3.45–3.85 mm, MW 1.65–1.85 mm; Noiadi: TL-H 3.6 mm, TL 4 mm, MW 1.95 mm), dorsal punctation (in specimens from Nabire-Enarotali, it is slightly coarser), shape of the median lobe (in the specimen from Noiadi, the median lobe with weaker submedian constriction in ventral view and upper margin of apex more straight in lateral view (Figs 21D, 22D, 23D), and setation of the paramere (in specimens from Bewani and Papua, subdistal and proximal setae more numerous, with upper subdistal setae very distinct (Figs 21E, 22E, 23E).

At first, we intended to describe the species with three subspecies as these morphological differences are evident and stable within each region, though insignificant. Finally, we have decided against this, bearing in mind that more material is needed from these regions (especially, from Noiadi) and the regions in-between for a conclusion whether they belong to the different subspecies or maybe even species.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province; Indonesia: Papua Province: Sarmi, Mamberamo Raya and Nabire/Paniai Regencies (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The name refers to Bewani Mts. where this species was discovered for the first time. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

2. *Exocelina bismarckensis* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

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Figs 15, 43

Exocelina undescribed spp. MB1306, MB1369: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands Province, Akameku - Brahmin, Bismarck Range, 05°56.80'S; 145°22.24'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Akameku - Brahmin, Bismarck Range, 2200m, 23.xi.2006, 05.56.801S 145.22.238E, Balke & Kinibel (PNG 106)” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: **Eastern Highlands**: 15 males, 12 females with the same label as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). 9 males, 11 females “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Akameku - Brahmin, Bismarck Range, 2400m, 23.xi.2006, 05.55.615S 145.22.699E, Balke & Kinibel (PNG 107)” (NHMW, ZSM). 8 males, 3 females “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Goroka, Mt. Gahavisuka, 2200m, 8.iv.2006, 06.00.896S 145.24.753E, Balke & Sagata (PNG 35)” (NHMW, ZSM). 9 males “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Goroka, Daulo Pass, 2500m, 19.v.2006, 06.02.432S 145.13.333E, John & Balke (PNG 67)”, one male additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 1306” (NHMW, ZSM). 1 male “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, 37 km S Goroka, Hogave vill., Mt. Michael, 2179-2800m, 9.-15.vii.2009, 06.22.479S 145.15.256E, Sagata (PNG 230)” (ZSM). **Simbu**: 2 males, 1 female “Papua New Guinea Simbu prov L. Cizek lgt.”, “Kundiawa, Mu vill. 145°02'E 4°42'S [6°05'S; 145°02'E] III.2001, 1900m” (ZSM).

Additional material. **Eastern Highlands**: 2 males “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Aiyura, 1670m, 5.iv.2006, 06.21.131S 145.54.398E, Balke & Sagata (PNG 32)” (ZSM). 1 male “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Aiyura, creek, 1670 m, 20.v.2006, 06.21.131S 145.54.398E, John & Balke (PNG 70)”, “DNA M.Balke 1310” [green] (ZSM). 2 males “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Onerunka, small creek, red soil /rock, 1700m, 21.v.2006, 06.20.936S 145.46.874E, John & Balke (PNG 71)”, one male additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 1304” (ZSM). 6 males “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Kimiagomo vill, north

Okapa stn, 1900, 30.iv.2006, 06.25.407S 145.34.480E, Sagata (PNG 80)” (NHMW, ZSM). 2 males “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Wapi Creek, Kimiagomo, Okapa,, 1900m, 9.viii.2005, 6 25.407S 145 34.480E, K.Sagata (WB122)” (ZSM). 1 male “Papua New Guinea: EHP, Okapa, Kimiagomo, Wapi Creek, 6.25.407 / 145.34.480, 1900m, 9.viii.2005, Sagata, DNA MB1252” (ZSM). 5 males, 2 females “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Yuyulio, Kimiagomo-Okapa, 2100m, 13.iv.2003, 06 25.255S 145 34.233E, K. Sagata (WB7)” (NHMW, ZSM). 1 male, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Tegupate creek Kimiagomo, Okapa, 1900m, 9.viii.2005, 6 25.407S 145 34.480E, K.Sagata (WB124)” (ZSM). 2 males, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Marawaka, Ande, 1700m, 8.xi.2005, 07.01.697S 145.49.807E, Balke & Kinibel (PNG 86)” (ZSM). **Gulf:** 5 males, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Gulf, Marawaka, Andakombe towards Morobe, 2160m, 12.xi.2006, 07.11.717S 145.51.177E, Balke & Kinibel (PNG 94)”, one male and one female additionally with labels “DNA M.Balke 1369” and “DNA M.Balke 1371” respectively (NHMW, ZSM). These specimens are not included in the type series because most of them are teneral and some of them are slightly different from the types in body shape, surface sculpture, and shape of the median lobe. At present, it is impossible to postulate whether they belong to *E. bismarckensis* sp. n. or one or two additional species; for that more material is requisite from the region (Fig. 53).

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, dark brown to piceous, with paler clypeus, vertex, and pronotal sides, submatt to matt; pronotum with distinct lateral bead; male antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, with margins more or less rounded, almost equal in size, antennomeres 6 and 7 somewhat enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with weak submedian constriction, distal part broadened, and apex almost rounded in ventral view and thin, curved, and pointed in lateral view; paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, more or less long, thin setae. The species is similar to *E. gorokaensis* sp. n., from which differs with duller dorsal surface due to denser punctation and stronger microreticulation, as well as apex of the median lobe rounded in ventral view and narrower in lateral view and paramere with shallow, not distinct notch on dorsal side. From *E. vovae* sp. n., the species differs with more elongate habitus and apex of the median lobe almost rounded, not distinctly concave in ventral view.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle medium-sized (TL–H 3.5–4.2 mm, TL 3.9–4.6 mm, MW 1.8–2.2 mm), with oblong habitus, broadest at elytral middle, some specimens with subparallel elytral sides. *Coloration:* Dorsal surface more or less uniform dark brown to piceous, paler on clypeus, vertex, pronotal sides, and along elytral suture; head appendages and legs yellowish red to dark reddish, legs darker distally (Fig. 43). Teneral specimens paler.

Surface sculpture: Head with very dense, coarse punctation (spaces between punctures 1–2 times size of punctures). Pronotum with punctation finer than on head. Elytra with punctation sparser than on pronotum. Pronotum and elytra with weaker or stronger impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface submatt to matt. Head with

microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and not rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 slightly truncate or concave apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, almost equal in size, with margins more or less rounded, antennomeres 6 and 7 somewhat enlarged (Fig. 15A), antennomeres 3–7 rugose ventrally. Protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 21 elongate setae and posterior row of 8 shorter setae (Fig. 15B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 10–13 lateral striae on each side, slightly truncate or concave apically. Median lobe with weak submedian constriction, distal part broadened, and apex more or less rounded in ventral view and thin, curved, and pointed in lateral view, with upper margin sinuate or almost straight (Fig. 15C, D). Paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, more or less long, thin setae (Fig. 15E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.9 mm, TL 4.25 mm, MW 2.05 mm.

Female: Antennae simple, abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically, without striae.

Variability. The species shows intra- and interpopulational variability in coloration, body shape, microreticulation, and shape of median lobe and abdominal ventrite 6.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands and Simbu Provinces. The species is known mainly from Bismarck Range (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after Bismarck Range. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

3. *Exocelina craterensis* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/9ABA3B0B-78FD-4871-96BA-8E993C3480C9>

Figs 4, 32

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Simbu/Eastern Highlands Provinces, Crater Mt., Wara Sera Station, 06°43.4'S; 145°05.6'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea, Simbu/EHP. Crater Mountain, Wara Sera Station, 820 m, 14IX2002, Balke & Sagata (PNG 8)” (ZSM).

Paratypes: **Simbu/Eastern Highlands:** 2 males with the same label as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). 2 males “Papua New Guinea: Simbu / EHP, Crater Mountain, Sera – Herowana, Wara Pima, 900m, 15IX2002, Balke & Sagata, (PNG 011)”, one of them additionally with a label “DNA M.Balke 6182” (ZSM). **Gulf:** 2 males, 2 females “Papua New Guinea: Gulf Province, Marawaka, Mala, 1400m, 11.xi.2006,

07.05.664S 145.44.467E, Balke & Kinibel, (PNG 90)”, “DNA M.Balke 6183” (NHMW, ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, piceous, with dark brown head and sides of pronotum; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with submedian constriction in ventral view and strongly elongate apex in lateral view; paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with brush of long, dense, thin setae. The species is similar to *E. oceai* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012, from which differs with darker dorsal coloration and structure of the male genitalia.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle small (TL-H 3.05–3.3 mm, TL 3.4–3.65 mm, MW 1.6–1.8 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Head dark brown, with reddish clypeus; pronotum piceous, with paler sides, reddish at anterior angles; elytra piceous, sometimes with reddish brown sutural lines; head appendages yellowish brown, legs darker distally (Fig. 32).

Surface sculpture: Head with relatively sparse punctation (spaces between punctures 1–4 times size of punctures), evidently finer and sparser anteriorly; diameter of punctures smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with extremely sparse and fine punctation, almost invisible. Elytra without punctation, only with several extremely fine punctures and with punctural rows. Pronotum and elytra with weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface shiny. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventricle and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and extremely fine, sparse punctation, almost invisible, only slightly coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, less smooth and slightly rounded anteriorly, with anterolateral extensions. Ridge laterally with distinct punctation. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively broad, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 slightly concave apically.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 4A). Protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 12 and posterior row of 5 short setae (Fig. 4B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 6–8 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with submedian constriction in ventral view and strongly elongate apex in lateral view (Fig. 4C, D). Paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with brush of long, dense, thin setae (Fig. 4E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.05 mm, TL 3.4 mm, MW 1.6 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from male, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Simbu/Eastern Highlands and Gulf Provinces (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after Crater Mountain where it was collected. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

***Exocelina edeltraudae* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**

Figs 8, 37

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands Province, Kurumul, 6 km SW Kudjip, 05°53.43'S; 144°36.60'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Kurumul, 6Km SW Kudjip, small stream, 1584m, 13.vi.1994, 05.53.426S 144.36.600E, John (PNG 78)” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: 11 males with the same label as the holotype, one of them additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 1341” (NHMW, ZSM). 2 males “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Mt. Hagen town area, 1600m, 7.xii.1994 05.49.745S 144.22.357E Balke & Kinibel (PNG 131)” (ZSM).

Additional material. 2 males “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Kurumul, 6Km SW Kudjip, small stream, 1584m, 13.vi.1994, 05.53.426S 144.36.600E, John (PNG 78)” (ZSM). 6 males “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Gonzsidai-Sarup, 1700m, 4.iii.2007, 05.19.060S 144.28.671E, Kinibel (PNG 144)” (NHMW, ZSM). 26 females “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Gonzsidai-Sarup, 1700m, 4.iii.2007, 05.19.060S 144.28.671E, Kinibel (PNG 144)” (ZSM), these females are most likely a mixture of two species: *E. edeltraudae* and a species from the *E. broschii*-group. 142 females with the same label as the holotype (ZSM), these females are most likely a mixture of three species: *E. edeltraudae* and two species from the *E. broschii*- and *E. rivulus*-groups. 30 females “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Mt. Hagen town area, 1600m, 7.xii.1994 05.49.745S 144.22.357E Balke & Kinibel (PNG 131)” (ZSM), these females are most likely a mixture of two species: *E. edeltraudae* and a species from the *E. broschii*-group.

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, piceous, slightly submatt; pronotum with distinct lateral bead; male ventrite 6 slightly to distinctly concave apically; male antennomeres 3–5 distinctly enlarged, almost equal in size and shape, antennomeres 6–8 enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with very strong submedian constriction and proximal part very broad in ventral view, apex of median lobe pointed and strongly curved downwards in lateral; paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, long, thin setae. The species is very similar to *E. pseudoedeltraudae* sp. n., from which differs with slightly shinier dorsal surface, due to weaker punctation and microreticulation, with smaller and less rounded male antennomeres 3–5 (for male antennomeres 3 and 4, ratio width/length: < 0.92) and apex of median lobe broader in lateral view.

Redescription. *Size and shape*: Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 3.5–3.85 mm, TL 3.9–4.3 mm, MW 1.9–2.05 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Dorsally piceous, with dark brown anterior margin of head and narrowly pronotal sides; head appendages and legs reddish to reddish brown, legs distally darker (Fig. 37). Teneral specimens paler.

Surface sculpture: Head with dense, coarse punctation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures). Pronotum with punctation finer, sparser, and more

evenly distributed than on head. Elytra with punctuation much finer, sparser than on pronotum. Pronotum and elytra with less strongly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface slightly submatt. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, long striae, and fine sparse punctuation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, rounded and smooth anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded, or slightly truncate, or concave apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 distinctly enlarged, almost equal in size, antennomeres 6–8 enlarged (Fig. 8A), antennomeres 3–7 rugose ventrally. Protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 16 and posterior row of 5 short setae (Fig. 8B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 8–13 lateral striae on each side, slightly to distinctly concave apically. Median lobe with very strong submedian constriction and proximal part very broad in ventral view, apex of median lobe pointed and strongly curved downwards in lateral view (Fig. 8D, E). Paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, long, thin setae (Fig. 8F).

Holotype: TL-H 3.85 mm, TL 4.3 mm, MW 2.05 mm.

Female: Antennae simple, abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded or slightly truncate apically, without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea. The species is known only from Western Highlands Province (Fig. 53).

4. *Exocelina gorokaensis* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/C87417FC-F7D6-4395-9897-02628EB0DF59>

Figs 14, 42

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB1307: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands Province, 37 km S Goroka, Hogave village, Mt. Michael, 06°22.48'S; 145°15.26'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, 37 km S Goroka, Hogave vill., Mt. Michael, 2179–2800m, 9.-15.vii.2009, 06.22.479S 145.15.256E, Sagata (PNG 230)” (ZSM). *Paratypes:* **Eastern Highlands:** 23 males, 39 females with the same label as the holotype, 1 male additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 4038” (NHMW, ZSM). 5 males, 4 females “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Goroka, Mt. Gahavisuka, 2200m, 8.iv.2006, 06.00.896S 145.24.753E, Balke & Sagata (PNG 35)” (NHMW, ZSM). 1 male, 1 female “Papua New Guinea:

Eastern Highlands, Hogu, Mt. Barola, 1900m, 9.v.2006, 06.17.556S 145.45.036E, Balke & Sagata (PNG 56)" (ZSM). 10 males, 5 females "Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Goroka, below Mt. Otto, 2000m, 11.v.2006, 06.01.687S 145.26.493E, Balke (PNG 57)", one male additionally with a green label "DNA M.Balke 1305" (NHMW, ZSM). 21 males, 14 females "Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Goroka, Daulo Pass, 2500m, 19.v.2006, 06.02.432S 145.13.333E, John & Balke (PNG 67)", one male additionally with a green label "DNA M.Balke 1307" (NHMW, ZSM). 2 males, 1 female "Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Akameku - Brahmin, Bismarck Range, 2200m, 23.xi.2006, 05.56.801S 145.22.238E, Balke & Kinibel (PNG 106)" (ZSM). 1 female "Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Akameku - Brahmin, Bismarck Range, 2400m, 23.xi.2006, 05.55.615S 145.22.699E, Balke & Kinibel (PNG 107)", "DNA M.Balke 1518" [green] (ZSM). **Simbu:** 8 males, 5 females "Papua New Guinea Simbu prov L. Cizek lgt.", "Kundiawa, Mu vill. 145°02'E 4°42'S [6°05'S; 145°02'E] III.2001, 1900m" (ZSM). **Western Highlands:** 9 males, 4 females "Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Mondmill, 5 Km SE Minj, small pools near creek, 1741m, 12.vi.2006, 05.56.801S 144.39.898E, John (PNG 77)", one male additionally with a green label "DNA M.Balke 1343" (NHMW, ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, dark brown to piceous, with paler clypeus, vertex, and pronotal sides, submatt; pronotum with distinct lateral bead; male antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, slightly rounded, almost equal in size, antennomeres 6 and 7 somewhat enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with very weak submedian constriction and apex very slightly concave in ventral view and with apex slightly pointed and broadened in lateral view; paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, more or less long, thin setae. The species is similar to *E. jimiensis* sp. n., from which differs with evident punctuation of the dorsal surface and shape of the median lobe. Also it is similar to *E. vovai* sp. n. and *E. bismarckensis* sp. n., from which differs with weaker punctuation of the dorsal surface, paramere with distinct notch on the dorsal side, and shape of the median lobe.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle medium-sized (TL–H 3.7–4.3 mm, TL 4.1–4.8 mm, MW 1.95–2.4 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Dorsal surface more or less uniform dark brown to piceous, paler on clypeus, vertex, pronotal sides, and along elytral suture; head appendages and legs yellowish red to dark reddish, legs darker distally (Fig. 42). Teneral specimens paler.

Surface sculpture: Head with very dense, coarse punctuation (spaces between punctures 1–2 times size of punctures). Pronotum with punctuation finer than on head. Elytra with punctuation sparser than on pronotum. Pronotum and elytra with relatively strongly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface submatt. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventricle and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctuation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and not

rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded or slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, slightly rounded, almost equal in size, antennomeres 6 and 7 somewhat enlarged (Fig. 14A), antennomeres 3–7 rugose ventrally. Protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 17 and posterior row of 6 short setae (Fig. 14B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 11–14 lateral striae on each side, broadly rounded or slightly truncate apically. Median lobe with very weak submedian constriction and apex very slightly concave in ventral view and with apex slightly pointed and broadened in lateral view (Fig. 14C, D). Paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, more or less long, thin setae (Fig. 14E).

Holotype: TL-H 4.0 mm, TL 4.5 mm, MW 2.15 mm.

Female: Antennae simple, abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically, without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Simbu, and Western Highlands Provinces. The species is known mainly from the area around Goroka and Kundiawa (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after Goroka, where it was mostly collected. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

5. *Exocelina herowana* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/840FD36C-53AD-4688-BB49-4E3ADE52C677>

Figs 5, 33

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Simbu/Eastern Highlands Provinces, Crater Mt., Sera – Herowana, upper Oh River, approximately 06°43.4'S; 145°05.6'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea: Crater Mountain, Sera – Herowana, upper Oh river, 1200m, 15IX2002, Balke & Sagata, (PNG 012)”, “DNA M.Balke 6181” (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, dark brown, with slightly paler head and pronotum, shiny; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomeres 3–9 stout, with 4–5 slightly larger than other antennomeres; male protarsomere 4 with large slender, evidently anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with very strong median constriction and proximal part very broad in ventral view, apex of median lobe broad, slightly concave in middle and twisted at both sides in ventral view and shortly pointed in lateral view; paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with a large brush of long, dense, thin setae; proximal setae almost invisible. The species is similar to *E. edeltraudae* and *E. pseudoedeltraudae* sp. n., from which differs with smaller size and stout, not evidently modified, male antennomeres.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle small (TL-H 3.6 mm, TL 4.0 mm, MW 2.0 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Head and pro-

notum reddish-brown, pronotal disc brown; elytra dark brown; head appendages yellowish-brown, legs reddish-brown, darker distally (Fig. 33).

Surface sculpture. Head with dense, coarse punctation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures). Pronotum with punctation much finer, sparser, and more evenly distributed than on head. Elytra with punctation much finer, sparser than on pronotum, almost invisible. Pronotum and elytra with less strongly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface shiny. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, long striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and slightly rounded anteriorly, without anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded.

Male: Antennomeres 3–9 stout, with 4–5 slightly larger than other antennomeres (Fig. 5A). Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 12 setae and posterior row of 4 short setae (Fig. 5B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 8–10 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with very strong median constriction and proximal part very broad in ventral view, apex of median lobe broad, slightly concave in middle and twisted at both sides in ventral view and shortly pointed in lateral view (Fig. 5C, D). Paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with a large brush of long, dense, thin setae; proximal setae almost invisible (Fig. 5E).

Female: Unknown.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Simbu/Eastern Highlands Provinces. This species is known only from the type locality (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after the type locality. The name is a noun in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

6. *Exocelina jimiensis* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/D2D78386-9C7F-4839-8C96-5A46FB47268F>

Figs 10, 36

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB3311: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands Province, Kundum, 05°16.10'S; 144°27.87'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Kundum, 1400m, 3.iii.2007, 05.16.096S 144.27.869E, Kinibel (PNG 142)” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: 64 males with the same labels as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). 10 males “Papua New

Guinea: Western Highlands, Simbai, Kairong River, 1850m, 2.iii.2007, 05.14.840S 144.28.457E, Kinibel (PNG 139)” (NHMW, ZSM). 20 males “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Simbai - Jimi, 1500m, 2.iii.2007, 05.16.074S 144.27.886E, Kinibel (PNG 140)”, one male additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 3311” (NHMW, ZSM). 2 males “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Jimi, 1500m, 2.iii.2007, 05.16.335S 144.27.930E, Kinibel (PNG 141)” (ZSM). 8 males, 4 females “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Jimi Valley, above Sendiap Station, 2000m, 6.iii.2007, 05.19.314S 144.31.266E, Kinibel (PNG 148)” (NHMW, ZSM). 7 males, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Simbai area, 2200m, 6.iii.2007, 05.18.752S 144.31.849E, Kinibel (PNG 149)” (NHMW, ZSM). 3 males, 3 females “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Simbai area, 2500m, 8.iii.2007, 05.14.202S 144.33.651E, Kinibel (PNG 150)” (NHMW, ZSM).

Additional material. 33 females with the same labels as the holotype (ZSM). 38 females “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Simbai, Kairong River, 1850m, 2.iii.2007, 05.14.840S 144.28.457E, Kinibel (PNG 139)” (ZSM). 10 females “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Simbai - Jimi, 1500m, 2.iii.2007, 05.16.074S 144.27.886E, Kinibel (PNG 140)” (ZSM). 7 females “Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Jimi, 1500m, 2.iii.2007, 05.16.335S 144.27.930E, Kinibel (PNG 141)” (ZSM). These females might belong to two species: *E. jimiensis* sp. n. and a species from the *E. broschii*-group.

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, dark brown to piceous, with paler clypeus, vertex, and pronotal sides, slightly submatt; pronotum with distinct lateral bead; male antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, slightly rounded, almost equal in size, external margin of antennomere 5 almost straight, antennomere 6 somewhat enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with submedian constriction and apex bluntly pointed, broadened in lateral view; paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, more or less long, thin setae. The species is similar to *E. sandaunensis* sp. n. and *E. simbaiarea* sp. n., from which differs with stronger punctuation on pronotum, male antennomeres 3–5 smaller and more equal in size, median lobe with stronger submedian constriction in ventral view and more broadened apex in lateral view, subdistal part of paramere with setae more numerous, shorter, and thinner.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 3.8–4.0 mm, TL 4.15–4.4 mm, MW 2.0–2.15 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Dorsal surface more or less uniform dark brown to piceous, paler on clypeus, vertex, pronotal sides, and along elytral suture; head appendages and legs yellowish red to dark reddish, legs darker distally (Fig. 36). Teneral specimens paler.

Surface sculpture: Head with dense, coarse punctuation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures). Pronotum with punctuation finer than on head. Elytra with punctuation finer, sparser than on pronotum. Pronotum and elytra with relatively weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface slightly submatt. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with dis-

tinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and not rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded or slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, slightly rounded, almost equal in size, external margin of antennomere 5 almost straight, antennomere 6 somewhat enlarged (Fig. 10A), antennomeres 3–6 rugose ventrally. Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 13 and posterior row of 4 short setae (Fig. 10B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 6–12 lateral striae on each side, slightly truncate apically. Median lobe with submedian constriction and apex bluntly pointed, broadened in lateral view (Fig. 10C, D). Paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, more or less long, thin setae (Fig. 10E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.9 mm, TL 4.25 mm, MW 2.15 mm.

Female: Antennae simple, abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically, without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands Province. The species is known only from the area of Jimi River (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after Jimi River, in the area in which it was collected. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

7. *Exocelina kisli* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/5A7BAF2D-2881-4DA7-9D3D-BE2FBA32709E>

Figs 17, 45

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB1373: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Morobe Province, Menyamya, Mt. Inji, ca. 07°14.81'S; 146°01.33'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea: Morobe, Menyamya, Mt Inji, 1900m, 14.XI.2006, nr 07.14.813S 146.01.330E, Balke & Kinibel, (PNG 97)” (ZSM). *Paratypes:* **Morobe:** 2 males, 1 female with the same label as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). **Gulf:** 1 male, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Gulf, Menyamya, Mt Inji, 1700m, 14.xi.2006, nr 07.14.813S 146.01.330E, Balke & Kinibel, (PNG 96)” (ZSM). 2 males, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Gulf, 1500m, 13.xi.2006, 07.11.721S 145.54.746E, Balke & Kinibel, (PNG 95)” (NHMW, ZSM), one male and the female additionally with green labels “DNA M.Balke 1373” and “DNA M.Balke 4243”, respectively.

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, piceous, with dark brown head and pronotum; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomere 3 evidently larger than other antennomeres; male protarsomere 4 with very small (smaller than more laterally situated large seta), thin, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with evident submedian constriction, apex of median lobe almost rounded in lateral view; paramere without notch on dorsal side, with relatively long and dense subdistal setae and spine-like setae on internal surface. The species is similar to *E. knoepfchen* and *E. ksionseki* sp. n. It differs from *E. knoepfchen* with dorsal surface matt due to stronger punctuation and microreticulation, male antennomeres 3–5 larger, and median lobe slender; from *E. ksionseki* sp. n. with larger size, dorsal surface matt due to stronger microreticulation, male antennomeres 3 smaller and more triangular, male protarsomere 4 with anterolateral hook-like seta smaller than more laterally situated large seta, apex of median lobe more rounded in lateral view, paramere only slightly longer than medial lobe, with less numerous subdistal setae and spine-like setae, and abdominal ventrite 6 less striated.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 4.3–4.5 mm, TL 4.7–4.9 mm, MW 2.35–2.5 mm), with elongate habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Head dark brown, sometimes with reddish clypeus and vertex; pronotum dark brown, sometimes with piceous disc and/or with reddish sides; elytra uniformly piceous or with reddish brown sutural lines; head appendages yellowish or reddish, legs usually darker distally (Fig. 45). Teneral specimens paler: yellowish red head and pronotum and brown elytra.

Surface sculpture: Head with very dense, coarse punctuation (spaces between punctures 1–2 times size of punctures), finer and sparser anteriorly; diameter of punctures only slightly smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation, of some punctures equal to it. Pronotum and elytra with slightly finer and more evenly distributed punctuation than on head. Head, pronotum, and elytra with strongly impressed microreticulation. Dorsal surface matt due to strong punctuation and microreticulation. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctuation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, anteriorly with weak transverse lines and less rounded, without anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded or slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antennomere 2 very small, stout, antennomere 3 strongly enlarged, evidently larger than other antennomeres, more triangular, antennomeres 4 and 5 distinctly enlarged, antennomeres 6 and 7 slightly enlarged (Fig. 17A). Protarsomere 4 with very small (smaller than more laterally situated large seta), thin, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row (double apically) of 20 short setae and posterior row of 6 short setae (Fig. 17B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 7–9 lateral striae on each side, slightly truncate apically. Median lobe with evident submedian constriction in ventral view and slightly rounded apex in lateral view (Fig. 17C, D).

Paramere slightly longer than median lobe, without notch on dorsal side, with relatively long and dense subdistal setae, short and sparse proximal setae, and spine-like setae on internal surface (Fig. 17E).

Holotype: TL-H 4.5 mm, TL 4.9 mm, MW 2.4 mm.

Female: Antennomere 1 as in male or only slightly larger, other antennomeres simple, abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically, without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Morobe and Gulf Provinces (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named for F. Kisl. The species name is a noun in the genitive case.

8. *Exocelina ksionseki* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/515088A3-CFC0-4743-B2D6-F8D8E38E2787>

Figs 18, 46

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Madang Province, Adalbert Mts., near Keki, 04°43.06'S; 145°24.44'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male "Papua New Guinea: Madang, Keki, Adalbert Mts, 400m, 29.xi.2006, 04.43.058S 145.24.437E, Binatang Boys, (PNG 119)" (ZSM).

Paratypes: **Madang**: 1 male with the same label as the holotype (NHMW). **Western Highlands**: 2 males, 1 female "Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Kurumul, 6Km SW Kudjip, small stream, 1580m, 13.vi.2006, 05.53.426S 144.36.600E, John (PNG 78)" (ZSM). 4 males, 2 females "Papua New Guinea: Western Highlands, Mt. Hagen town area, 1600m, 7.xii.2006 05.49.745S 144.22.357E Balke & Kinibel (PNG 131)" (NHMW, ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, piceous, with reddish sides of pronotum and sometimes with reddish head, submatt; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomere 3 evidently larger than other antennomeres; male protarsomere 4 with very small (only slightly larger than more laterally situated large seta), thin, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with very weak submedian constriction, apex of median lobe elongate in lateral view; paramere distinctly longer than median lobe, without notch on dorsal side, with relatively long and dense subdistal setae and numerous spine-like setae on internal surface, proximal setae almost absent. The species is similar to *E. knoepfchen* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012 except for evidently smaller size, coarse, dense dorsal punctation, beetle submatt, male antennomeres 3 larger, with more rounded external margin, male protarsomere 4 with anterolateral hook-like seta larger than more laterally situated large seta, narrow apical half (in ventral view) of median lobe, with elongate apex in lateral view, and setation of paramere. It differs from *E. kisl* sp. n., see under *E. kisl* sp. n.

Description. *Size and shape*: Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 3.8–4.2 mm, TL 4.2–4.6 mm, MW 2–2.3 mm), with elongate habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Head reddish to piceous with reddish clypeus; pronotum piceous, with reddish sides; elytra uniformly piceous or with reddish brown sutural lines; head appendages yellowish or reddish, legs usually darker distally (Fig. 46). Teneral specimens paler.

Surface sculpture. Head with very dense, coarse punctation (spaces between punctures 1–2 times size of punctures), finer and sparser anteriorly; diameter of punctures only slightly smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation, of some punctures equal to it. Pronotum and elytra with slightly finer and more evenly distributed punctation than on head. Pronotum and elytra with more weakly impressed microreticulation than on head. Dorsal surface submatt due to strong punctation. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures. Pronotum with lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and rounded anteriorly, without anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically.

Male. Antennomere 2 very small, stout, antennomere 3 strongly enlarged, evidently larger than other antennomeres, with rounded external margin, antennomeres 4–6 distinctly enlarged, antennomere 7 slightly enlarged (Fig. 18A). Protarsomere 4 with very small (only slightly larger than laterally situated large seta), thin, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row (double apically) of 14 short setae and posterior row of 4 short setae (Fig. 18B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 14–17 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe narrow in apical half and broad in basal one, with weak submedian constriction in ventral view and elongate apex in lateral view (Fig. 18C, D). Paramere distinctly longer than median lobe, without notch on dorsal side, with relatively long and dense subdistal setae and numerous spine-like setae on internal surface (Fig. 18E).

Holotype. TL-H 4.1 mm, TL 4.5 mm, MW 2.15 mm.

Female. Antennomere 1 as in male or only slightly larger, other antennomeres simple, abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically, without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Madang and Western Highlands Provinces (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named for K. Ksionsek. The species name is a noun in the genitive case.

9. *Exocelina lembena* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/C2F6AFB9-769E-4389-8A5F-5A3403D1DA9A>

Figs 26, 51

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB4922: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: East Sepik Province, Lembena, 04°57.33'S; 143°57.30'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: East Sepik, Lembena, 297m, 8.ix.2009, 04 57.329S 143 57.297E, Ibalim & Pius (PNG247)” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: 10 males, 9 females with the same label as the holotype, two males additionally with labels “DNA M. Balke 4922”, “DNA M. Balke 4923” (NHMW, ZSM). 1 male “Papua New Guinea: East Sepik, Lembena, 335m, 10.ix.2009, 04 56.859S 143 59.375E, Ibalim & Pius (PNG250)”, “DNA M. Balke 4919” (ZSM). 1 male “Papua New Guinea: East Sepik, Lembena, 335m, 10.ix.2009, 04 56.859S 143 57.379E, Ibalim & Pius (PNG251)” (ZSM). 1 male, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: East Sepik, Lembena, 335m, 10.ix.2009, 04 56.921S 143 57.478E, Ibalim & Pius (PNG252)” (ZSM). 1 female “Papua New Guinea: East Sepik, Lembena, 117m, 8.ix.2009, 04 57.513S 143 57.296E, Ibalim & Pius (PNG248)” (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, dark brown to piceous, with paler head or only its anterior part and pronotal sides, shiny; pronotum without lateral bead or with weak traces of lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with strong submedian constriction in ventral view and almost truncate apex in lateral view; paramere with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate but broad, with numerous long, dense, thick, flattened setae, some of them curved at apex; setae of proximal part evident, long. The species is very similar to *E. brahminensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012, from which differs with shape of the median lobe apex and, especially, with setation of the subdistal part of the paramere: it has only thick, flattened setae. From *E. mantembu* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012, it differs with shape of the median lobe and stronger notch on dorsal side of the paramere.

Description. *Size and shape*: Beetle small (TL-H 2.95–3.45 mm, TL 3.3–4.5 mm, MW 1.6–1.9 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Head dark brown to piceous, paler anteriorly; pronotum dark brown to piceous, with red to reddish brown sides; elytra uniformly dark brown to piceous; head appendages red to reddish brown, legs darker, especially metathoracic legs (Fig. 51).

Surface sculpture: Head with dense (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures) but fine punctation; diameter of punctures evidently smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with much sparser and finer punctation than on head. Elytra with extremely sparse and fine punctation, almost invisible. Pronotum and elytra with weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface shiny. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum without lateral bead or with weak traces of lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, slightly convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 26A). Protarsomere 4 with large, thick, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 11 and posterior row of 4 short setae (Fig. 26B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 6–8 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with strong submedian constriction in ventral view and almost truncate apex in lateral view (Fig. 26C, D). Paramere with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate but broad, with numerous long, dense, thick, somewhat flattened setae, some of them curved at apex; setae of proximal part evident, long (Fig. 26E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.45 mm, TL 3.8 mm, MW 1.85 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from males, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: East Sepik Province. This species is known only from localities near Lembena (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The name refers to the village of Lembena where this species was collected. The name is a noun in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

10. *Exocelina mantembu* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/8EB2CC12-C97D-4259-9519-687F68626ED2>

Figs 25, 50

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB0060: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Indonesia: Papua Province: Yapen Islands Regency, Mantembu, near Serui, approximately 01°50'S; 136°14'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “IRIAN JAVA: Japen [sic!] Isl. Mantembu 150–450 m, 18.2.1992 leg. Riedel” (NHMW). *Paratypes:* 8 males, 4 female with the same label as the holotype (MZB, NHMW, ZSM). 6 males, 6 females “Indonesia: Papua, Japen [sic!] Mantembu A. Riedel” (ZSM). 1 male “59 DNA M Balke” [green], “Mantembu” [hw] (ZSM). 1 male “60 DNA M Balke” [green], “Mantembu” [hw] (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, dark brown, with paler head and pronotum, shiny; pronotum without lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe slender, with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and broadly rounded, elongate apex in lateral view; paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate but broad, with large brush of long, dense, thick, somewhat flattened setae, distal ones longer and curved at apex; setae of proximal part short, thin, almost invisible. The species is similar to *E. lembena* sp. n., from which differs with shape of the median lobe apex and shallow notch on dorsal side of the paramere. There are only two species on Yapen Island, which can be easily distinguished with size and dorsal sculpture: *E. mantembu* sp. n., small and shiny, and *E. vladimiri*, large and matt, as well as using shape and structure of the male genitalia.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle small (TL-H 3.15–3.45 mm, TL 3.50–3.85 mm, MW 1.65–1.85 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle, some specimens narrower towards elytral apex. *Coloration:* Head reddish brown, darker posterior eyes; pronotum reddish brown, with paler sides; elytra uniformly dark brown; head appendages reddish brown, legs darker, especially metathoracic legs (Fig. 50).

Surface sculpture: Head with dense punctation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures), evidently finer and sparser anteriorly; diameter of punctures smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with much sparser and finer punctation than on head. Elytra with extremely sparse and fine punctation, almost invisible. Pronotum and elytra with weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface shiny. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum without lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, less rounded anteriorly, without anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively broad, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded or slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 25A). Protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 11 short setae and posterior row of 4 short setae (Fig. 25B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 8–11 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe slender, with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and broadly rounded, elongate apex in lateral view (Fig. 25C, D). Paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate but broad, with large brush of long, dense, relatively thick, somewhat flattened setae, distal ones longer and curved at apex; setae of proximal part short, thin, almost invisible (Fig. 25E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.45 mm, TL 3.85 mm, MW 1.85 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from males, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Indonesia: Papua Province: Yapen Islands Regency. This species is known only from the type locality (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The name refers to the region Mantembu where this species was collected. The name is a noun in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

11. *Exocelina michaelensis* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/68743C87-57E6-44AF-9C62-5D7746D1BAD4>

Figs 2, 31

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands Province, 37 km S Goroka, Hogave village, Mt. Michael, 06°22.48'S; 145°15.26'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, 37 km S Goroka, Hogave vill., Mt. Michael, 2179–2800m, 9.–15vii.2009, 06.22.479S 145.15.256E, Sagata (PNG 230)”, “DNA M. Balke 4082” [green] (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, piceous, with dark brown clypeus and sides of pronotum; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with large, thin, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with submedian constriction in ventral view and elongate and broadly pointed apex in lateral view; paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with brush of long, dense, thin setae. Size, dorsal sculpture, and structure of the male genitalia of this species strongly resemble those of *E. bismarckensis* sp. n., *E. gorokaensis* sp. n., and *E. vovai* sp. n., but the species can be easily distinguished from them with its simple, not modified, male antenna.

Description. *Size and shape*: Beetle medium-sized (TL–H 3.85 mm, TL 4.3 mm, MW 2.1 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Dorsal surface uniform piceous, with dark brown clypeus and sides of pronotum; head appendages yellowish brown, legs darker distally (Fig. 31).

Surface sculpture: Head with relatively sparse punctation (spaces between punctures 1–4 times size of punctures); diameter of punctures smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum and elytra with distinct punctation but finer and more evenly distributed than on head. Pronotum and elytra with relatively strongly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface submatt. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and extremely fine, sparse punctation, almost invisible, only slightly coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and rounded anteriorly, without anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 31). Protarsomere 4 with large, thin, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of more than 40 and posterior row of 13 thin, moderately long setae (Fig. 2A). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 15–18 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with submedian constriction in ventral view and elongate and broadly pointed apex in lateral view (Fig. 2B, C). Paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with brush of long, dense, thin setae (Fig. 2D).

Female: Unknown.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands Province. This species is known only from the type locality (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after Mt. Michael where it was collected. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

12. *Exocelina pinocchio* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/2258B993-3A90-4F48-AFC5-F85FC6002C9E>

Figs 24, 48

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB3321: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Madang Province, Usino, 05°31.13'S; 145°25.32'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Madang, Usino, 260m, 15.iii.2007, 05.31.125S 145.25.316E, Kinibel (PNG 158)” (ZSM). *Paratype*: 8 males with the same label as the holotype, one of them additionally with green label “DNA M.Balke 3321” (NHMW, ZSM).

Additional material. 26 females with the same label as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). These females might belong to of two species: *E. pinocchio* sp. n. and *E. brahminensis*, therefore, they are not included in the type series.

Diagnosis. Beetle small, dark brown to piceous, with paler head and pronotal sides, shiny; pronotum without lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; in ventral view, median lobe with strong submedian constriction and ventral sclerite apically divided in three parts and in lateral view, with very strongly protruding apex, forming long thin prolongation; paramere with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate but broad, with numerous long, dense setae, thinner and shorter distally and thicker, longer, and curved at apex proximally. This species can be easily distinguished from all small, shiny, with simple antennae, and without pronotal bead species (e.g., *E. brahminensis* or *E. lembena* sp. n.) with shape of its median lobe.

Description. *Size and shape*: Beetle small (TL-H 3.15–3.45 mm, TL 3.50–3.8 mm, MW 1.64–1.87 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Head dark brown, paler anteriorly; pronotum dark brown, with reddish brown sides and in some specimens also paler disc; elytra uniformly dark brown to piceous; head appendages red to reddish brown (in teneral specimens yellow to yellowish-red), legs darker, especially metathoracic legs (Fig. 48).

Surface sculpture: Head with dense (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures) but fine punctation; diameter of punctures evidently smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with much sparser and finer punctation than on head. Elytra with extremely sparse and fine punctation, almost invisible. Pronotum and elytra with weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface shiny. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum without lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and rounded anteriorly, without anterolat-

eral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively broad, slightly convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 24A). Protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 12 and posterior row of 4 short setae (Fig. 24B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 8–10 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with strong submedian constriction and ventral sclerite apically divided in three parts in ventral view and with very strongly protruding apex, forming long thin prolongation in lateral view (Fig. 24C, D). Paramere with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate but broad, with numerous long, dense setae, thinner and shorter distally and thicker, longer, and curved at apex proximally (Fig. 24E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.4 mm, TL 3.8 mm, MW 1.8 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from males, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Madang Province. This species is known only from the type locality (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named for a fictional character from the book “The Adventures of Pinocchio” by Carlo Collodi because the apex of its median lobe has a prolongation like a “nose”. The name is a noun in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

13. *Exocelina pseudoastrophallus* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/70A22773-B02C-4E21-B297-1AB45131579B>

Figs 3A–D, 30

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: East Sepik Province, Lembena, 04°57.51'S; 143°57.03'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea: East Sepik, Lembena, 117m, 8.ix.2009, 04 57.513S 143 57.296E, Ibalim & Pius (PNG248)” (ZSM). *Paratypes:* 2 females with the same label as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). 1 male “Papua New Guinea: East Sepik, Lembena, 297m, 8.ix.2009, 04 57.329S 143 57.297E, Ibalim & Pius (PNG247)”, “DNA M.Balke 6184” (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle middle-sized, piceous, with paler pronotum (especially on margins) and head, dorsally with evident punctuation, submatt; pronotum with distinct lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe short and with extremely strongly discontinuous (broken and curved) outline; paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with dense, long, thin setae. The species is very similar to *E. astrophallus* (Balke, 1998), except for media lobe without notch on left side and larger and more strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle middle-sized (TL-H 3.65–3.7 mm, TL 3.95–4.1 mm, MW 2.0–2.05 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle, with elytral apex slightly rounded. *Coloration:* as in *E. astrophallus* (Fig. 30).

Surface sculpture: as in *E. astrophallus*.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, without anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, rather narrow, strongly convex, with distinct bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly joined.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 30). Protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 31 setae and posterior row of 8 relatively long setae (Fig. 3A). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 13–19 long lateral striae on each side. Median lobe short and with extremely strongly discontinuous (curved, plicate) outline, without notch on left side (Fig. 3B, D). Paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with dense, long, thin setae (Fig. 3C).

Holotype: TL-H 3.7 mm, TL 4.1 mm, MW 2.05 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from male, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: East Sepik Province. This species is known only from localities near Lembena (Fig. 53).

Etymology. This species was mistaken for *E. astrophallus* due to their external similarity. The name is a noun in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

14. *Exocelina pseudobifida* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/876C2734-EB9F-4924-986E-5361DF37A0FB>

Figs 19, 47

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB0659: Toussaint et al. 2014: supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province, Mekil, 04°48.74'S; 141°39.08'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, MekilK [!], 1718m, 14.x.2003, 4 48.742S 141 39.075E, K. Sagata (WB106)” (ZSM). *Paratypes:* 6 females with the same label as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). 1 male “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun: Mekil (WB106), 14.x.2003, K. Sagata, DNA M Balke: MB 659”, “DNA M. Balke 659” (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, dark brown to piceous, shiny; pronotum without lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook; median lobe with strong submedian constriction and apex bifid: with small dorsal extension; paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with dense, long, thin setae. The species is very similar to *E. bifida* Shav-

erdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012, except for structure of genitalia: apical lobes slender and more deeply separated, dorsal extension prominent but not deeply cut.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle small (TL-H 3.3–3.7 mm, TL 3.75–4.15 mm, MW 1.75–2.0 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* as in *E. bifida* (Fig. 47).

Surface sculpture: Punctuation and microreticulation as in *E. bifida*.

Structures: Pronotum without lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, anteriorly less rounded, smooth, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively broad, slightly convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 19A). Protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 15 and posterior row of 3 short setae (Fig. 19B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 6–8 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with strong submedian constriction and apex bifid: with small dorsal extension (Fig. 19C, D). Paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with dense, long, thin setae (Fig. 19E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.7 mm, TL 4.15 mm, MW 2.0 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from male, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province, Mekil. This species is known only from the type locality (Fig. 53).

Etymology. This species was mistaken for *E. bifida* due to their similarity. The name is a noun in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

15. *Exocelina pseudoedeltraudae* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/C7536736-ABCE-42EC-89D0-678762B728AE>

Figs 9, 38; 4A–F, 30 in Shaverdo et al. (2012)

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB1288: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Hela Province, Koroba, 05°41.85'S; 142°43.836'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea: Southern Highlands, Koroba, 1600m, 15.v.1994, 05.41.854S 142.43.836E, Balke (PNG 66)”, “Paratypus *Exocelina edeltraudae* sp. n. des. H.Shaverdo, L.Hendrich & M.Balke, 2012” (ZSM). *Paratypes:* 5 males, 1 female with the same labels as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). 3 males “PAP-UA N.G.: 6.–9.5.1998 Southern Highl. Prov. Tari-Koroba, Hedemari [Hedamali] 1700–1900 m, leg. Riedel”, “Paratypus *Exocelina edeltraudae* sp. n. des. H.Shaverdo, L.Hendrich & M.Balke, 2012” (NHMW). 1 male, 3 females “Papua New Guinea: Southern Highlands, Tari Komo road, 10km N Hides Gas, 1700m, 13.v.1994, Balke (PNG 61)”, “Paratypus *Exocelina edeltraudae* sp. n. des. H.Shaverdo, L.Hendrich

& M.Balke, 2012”, the male additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 1288” (ZSM). 5 males, 8 females “Papua New Guinea: Southern Highlands, Tari to Koroba, 1600m, 15.v.1994, 05.46.500S 142.50.000E, Balke (PNG 65)”, “Paratypus *Exocelina edeltraudae* sp. n. des. H.Shaverdo, L.Hendrich & M.Balke, 2012” (NARI, NHMW, ZSM). 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Southern Highlands, Tari to Koroba, 1600m, 15.v.1994, 05.46.500S 142.50.000E, Balke (PNG 65)” (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, piceous, submatt; pronotum with distinct lateral bead; male ventrite 6 slightly to distinctly concave apically; male antennomeres 3–5 distinctly enlarged, almost equal in size and shape, antennomeres 6–8 enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with very strong submedian constriction and proximal part very broad in ventral view, apex of median lobe pointed and strongly curved downwards in lateral; paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, long, thin setae. The species is very similar to *E. edeltraudae* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012, from which differs with less shinier dorsal surface, due to stronger punctuation and microreticulation, with larger and more rounded male antennomeres 3–5 (for male antennomeres 3 and 4, ratio width/length: > 1.0) and apex of median lobe narrower in lateral view.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 3.45–4.0 mm, TL 3.85–4.45 mm, MW 1.8–2.2 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Dorsally piceous, with dark brown anterior margin of head and narrowly pronotal sides; head appendages and legs reddish to reddish brown, legs distally darker (Fig. 38). Teneral specimens paler.

Surface sculpture: Head with dense, coarse punctuation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures), especially on vertex. Pronotum with punctuation finer, sparser, and more evenly distributed than on head. Elytra with punctuation finer, sparser than on pronotum. Pronotum and elytra with strongly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface submatt. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctuation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, rounded and smooth anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded, or slightly truncate, or concave apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 distinctly enlarged, almost equal in size, antennomeres 6–8 enlarged (Fig. 9A), antennomeres 3–7 rugose ventrally. Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 15 and posterior row of 5 short setae (Fig. 9B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 8–13 lateral striae on each side, slightly to distinctly concave apically (Fig. 9C). Median lobe with very strong submedian constriction and proximal part very broad in ventral view, apex of median lobe pointed and strongly curved downwards in lateral view

(Fig. 9D, E). Paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, long, thin setae (Fig. 9F).

Holotype: TL-H 4.0 mm, TL 4.45 mm, MW 2.2 mm.

Female: Antennae simple, abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded or slightly truncate apically, without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea. The species is known only from Hela Province (Fig. 53).

Etymology. In an earlier work (Shaverdo et al. 2012), this species was mistaken for *E. edeltraudae*. The name is a noun in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

16. *Exocelina pseudoeme* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/CEAA3D42-6D93-43B8-BAAC-1B4A8CB7C742>

Figs 27, 52

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB3759: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province, Mianmin, 04°53.42'S; 141°37.03'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Mianminold [!], 898m, 20.x.2003, 4 53.419S 141 37.028E, K. Sagata (WB66)” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: 1 male, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Mianmin (pool), 700m, 21.x.2008, 04.52.858S 141.31.706E, Ibalim (PNG 198)” and with two green labels “DNA M.Balke 3747”, “DNA M.Balke 3759” respectively (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, dark brown to piceous, with paler anterior part of head and pronotal sides, shiny; pronotum without lateral bead; male antennomeres 5–10 slightly stout; male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with submedian constriction in ventral view and elongate apex in lateral view; paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with large brush of two kinds of setae: upper setae thin and less numerous and lower setae long, thick, somewhat flattened, and curved at apex; setae of proximal part shorter, thinner, less evident. The species is very similar to *E. eme* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012 except for more weakly impressed dorsal microreticulation, especially on pronotum, beetle dorsally slightly shinier, as well as for structure and setation of genitalia: median lobe with stronger submedian constriction and symmetrical apex in ventral view; subdistal part of paramere with upper thin setae less numerous making brush smaller.

Description. *Size and shape*: Beetle small (TL-H 3.15–3.55 mm, TL 3.5–4.0 mm, MW 1.65–1.85 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Head dark brown to piceous, paler anteriorly; pronotum dark brown to piceous, with red to reddish brown sides; elytra uniformly dark brown to piceous; head appendages red to reddish brown, legs darker, especially metathoracic legs (Fig. 52).

Surface sculpture: Head with dense punctation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures), finer and sparser anteriorly; diameter of punctures smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with much finer and sparser punctation than on head. Elytra with very sparse and fine punctation, almost invisible. Head, pronotum, and elytra with weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface shiny. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventricle and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum without lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and less rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, slightly convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically.

Male: Antennomeres 5–10 slightly stout (Fig. 27A). Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 14 and posterior row of 5 short setae (Fig. 27B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 5–6 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with submedian constriction and symmetrical apex in ventral view and elongate apex in lateral view (Fig. 27C, D); paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with large brush of two kinds of setae: upper setae thin and less numerous and lower setae long, thick, somewhat flattened, and curved at apex; setae of proximal part shorter, thinner, less evident (Fig. 27E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.55 mm, TL 4 mm, MW 1.85 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from males, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province. This species is known only from Mianmin region (Fig. 53).

Etymology. This species was mistaken for *E. eme* due to their external similarity. The name is a noun in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

17. *Exocelina sandaunensis* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/0133AA56-7AA3-413B-B58D-89FE64CCF29E>

Figs 13, 41

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province, Sokamin, 04°50.85'S; 141°37.87'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Sokamin4, 1200m, 19.x.2003, 4 50.845S 141 37.865E, K. Sagata (WB 102)” (ZSM). *Paratypes:* 4 males with the same label as the holotype, one male additionally with a label “DNA M. Balke 666” (NHMW, ZSM). 3 males, 4 females “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Sokamin4, 1200m, 19.x.2003, 4 50.845S 141 37.865E, K. Sagata (WB 100)”, one male ad-

ditionally with a label “DNA M. Balke 682” (NHMW, ZSM). 1 male “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, MekilW100, 1718m, 14.xi.2003, 4 48.637S 141 38.994E, K. Sagata (WB 19)” (ZSM). 4 males “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, MekilK [sic!], 1718m, 14.x.2003, 4 48.742S 141 39.075E, K. Sagata (WB 106)”, two males additionally with labels “DNA M. Balke 672” and “DNA M. Balke 681” (NHMW, ZSM). 3 males “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Ofektaman, 820m, 17.x.2008, 5.04.113S 141.35.841E, Ibalim (PNG 190)”, two males additionally with green labels “DNA M. Balke 3720”, “DNA M. Balke 3721” (ZSM).

Additional material. 2 females with the same label as the holotype (ZSM), these females might belong to two species: *E. sandaunensis* sp. n. and a species of *E. rivulus* group. 2 females “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, MekilK [sic!], 1718m, 14.x.2003, 4 48.742S 141 39.075E, K. Sagata (WB 106)” (ZSM), these females might belong to two species: *E. sandaunensis* sp. n. and *E. ketembang* Balke, 1998. 7 females “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Ofektaman, 820m, 17.x.2008, 5.04.113S 141.35.841E, Ibalim (PNG 190)” (ZSM), these females might belong to three species: *E. sandaunensis* sp. n., *E. aipomek* Balke, 1998, and *E. ketembang* Balke, 1998.

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, dark brown to piceous, slightly submatt; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, slightly rounded, antennomeres 3, 4 almost equal in size, antennomere 5 slightly smaller, with external margin almost straight, antennomere 6 somewhat enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe broad, with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and thin apex in lateral view, apex with small lateral setae; paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, long, thick, curved at apex setae. This species is similar to *E. simbaiare* sp. n., *E. tariensis* sp. n., and *E. jimiensis* sp. n., see differences under their diagnoses.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle medium-sized (TL–H 3.5–4.0 mm, TL 3.9–4.5 mm, MW 1.85–2.15 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Dorsal surface more or less uniform dark brown to piceous, slightly paler on clypeus, vertex, pronotal sides, and along elytral suture; head appendages and legs yellowish red, legs reddish brown distally (Fig. 41). Teneral specimens paler.

Surface sculpture: Head with dense punctation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures), evidently finer and sparser anteriorly; diameter of punctures equal or smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with finer, sparser, and more evenly distributed punctation than on head. Elytra with very sparse and fine punctation. Pronotum and elytra with relatively weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface slightly submatt. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventricle and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and not rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lan-

ceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, slightly rounded, antennomeres 3, 4 almost equal in size, antennomere 5 slightly smaller, with external margin almost straight, antennomere 6 somewhat enlarged; (Fig. 13A). Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 15 and posterior row of 3 short setae (Fig. 13B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 7–10 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe broad, with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and thin apex in lateral view, apex with small lateral setae (Fig. 13C, D). Paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, long, thick, curved at apex setae (Fig. 13E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.75 mm, TL 4.25 mm, MW 2 mm.

Female: Antennae simple, abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea. This species is known from Sandaun Province (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after Sandaun Province where it was collected. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

18. *Exocelina simbaiarea* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/2C2BD156-AE8E-433D-A685-BFCABA97D27E>

Figs 12, 40

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Madang Province, Simbai area, 05°13.33'S; 144°37.61'E.

Type material. *Holotype:* male “Papua New Guinea: Madang, Simbai area, 1200m, 11.iii.2007, 05.13.333S 144.37.611E, Kinibel (PNG 153)” (ZSM).

Additional material: 10 females with the same label as the holotype (ZSM), these females might belong to three species: *E. simbaiarea* sp. n. and two species from the *E. broschii*- and *E. rivulus*-groups.

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, blackish brown, with brown head and pronotal sides, slightly submatt; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, slightly rounded, antennomeres 3, 4 almost equal in size, antennomere 5 slightly smaller, with external margin rounded, antennomere 6 somewhat enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and apex relatively short and slightly broadened in lateral view; paramere with notch on dorsal side and side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, long, thick, curved at apex setae. The species is similar to *E. sandaunensis* sp. n., except for slightly matter pronotum, more striated abdominal ventrite 6, male antennomere 5 with external margin rounded, and apex of median lobe shorter and broader. See also under diagnosis of *E. jimiensis* sp. n.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 3.65 mm, TL 4.1 mm, MW 1.95 mm), with oblong-oval, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Head brown,

darker posterior eyes and at middle; pronotum with dark brown disc and brown sides; elytra blackish brown, with reddish sutural lines; head appendages and legs reddish, legs darker distally (Fig. 40).

Surface sculpture: Punctuation as in *E. sandaunensis* sp. n.; microreticulation slightly stronger, especially on pronotum, than in *E. sandaunensis* sp. n.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and not rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, slightly rounded, antennomeres 3, 4 almost equal in size, antennomere 5 slightly smaller, with external margin rounded, antennomere 6 somewhat enlarged; (Fig. 12A). Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 15 and posterior row of 4 short setae (Fig. 12B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 13–14 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and apex relatively short and slightly broadened in lateral view (Fig. 12C, D). Paramere with notch on dorsal side and side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, long, thick, curved at apex setae (Fig. 12E).

Female: Antennae simple, abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Madang Province. This species is known from the type locality (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after the Simbai area where it was collected. The name is a noun, combination of two words: “Simbai” and “area”, in the nominative singular standing in apposition.

19. *Exocelina skalei* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/C2A429B4-D6B8-4727-BC1E-AD3D8678329C>

Figs 1A–D, 28

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB4427: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Indonesia: West Papua Province: Kaimana Regency, Kamaka, 03°48.37'S; 134°14.03'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “INDONESIA W-PAPUA 50km SE Kaimana, Triton bay, vic. Kamaka vill. trail to Kamakawalar lake, S3°48'22" E134°14'02", 50–100m, 03.II.1994 leg. A. Skale (006a) small pool” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: 4 males, 3 females with the same label as the holotype, 2 males additionally with green labels “DNA M. Balke 4426”, “DNA M. Balke 4427” (CASK, MZB, NHMW, ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, broadly oval, piceous, with paler head and pronotum or only with pale anterior part of head and pronotal sides, submatt; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomeres simple; male protarsomere 4 with medium-sized,

slender, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with apical discontinuity and deeply concave, bilobed apex in ventral view; paramere without notch on dorsal side, with triangular basal part and thin subdistal part, setae inconspicuous, sparse, thin, and relatively short. This species is similar only to *E. vladimiri* and probably related to it. In the group, only these two species have outline of the median lobe with apical, not submedial, discontinuity in ventral view and broadly oval habitus. *Exocelina vladimiri* can be distinguished from *E. skalei* sp. n. with larger size, absence of the pronotal bead, less concave apex of the median lobe, and paramere setation.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle small (TL-H 2.9–3.25 mm, TL 3.0–3.6 mm, MW 1.7–1.9 mm), with broadly oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Head dark brown, sometimes to piceous between eyes and paler anteriorly; pronotum dark brown, sometimes to piceous on disc, with red to reddish brown sides; elytra uniformly dark brown to piceous; head appendages yellowish, legs darker, reddish to reddish-brown, especially metathoracic legs (Fig. 28).

Surface sculpture: Head with dense, coarse punctation (spaces between punctures 1–2 times size of punctures); diameter of some punctures equal diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum and elytra with punctation finer and more evenly distributed than on head but very evident. Pronotum and elytra with evident microreticulation, dorsal surface submatt. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and rounded anteriorly, without small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, broad, slightly convex, with rounded apex, distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically.

Male: Antenna simple (Fig. 28). Protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 17 and posterior row of 6 relatively long setae (Fig. 1A). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 3–4 very short lateral striae on each side. Median lobe with apical discontinuity and deeply concave, bilobed apex in ventral view (Fig. 1B, D). Paramere without notch on dorsal side, with triangular basal part and thin subdistal part, setae inconspicuous, sparse, thin, and relatively short (Fig. 1C).

Holotype: TL-H 3.25 mm, TL 3.6 mm, MW 1.9 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from male, except for abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution and habitat. Indonesia: West Papua Province: Kaimana Regency. This species is known only from the type locality (Fig. 53). The species was collected from a small rock pool, without any vegetation (Fig. 54).

Etymology. The species is named for Andre Skale who collected this species, with our sincere thanks for presenting this interesting species for study. The species name is a noun in the genitive case.

20. *Exocelina tabubilensis* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/765B91F0-AA9F-4BE6-9497-E5D5707776DA>

Figs 6, 34

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Western Province, Tabubil, 05°15.67'S; 141°13.74'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Western Province, Tabubil, 600m, 22.vi.2008, 05.15.673S 141.13.738E, Posman (PNG 181)” (ZSM). *Paratype*: 1 male “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Mianmin (river) 700m, 21.x.2008, 04.52.858S 141.31.706E Ibalim (PNG 197)” (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, piceous with paler head and pronotum, submatt; pronotum with distinct lateral bead; male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta. The species is similar to *E. munaso* (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005) because of shape of the median lobe (with large lateral folds in ventral view) and paramere (without notch on dorsal side). However, it differs from *E. munaso* with smaller size, evidently narrower blade of prosternal process, male antennomeres 5–7 evidently enlarged, antennomeres 4, 8, 9 slightly enlarged, medial lobe much narrower, submedian constriction evident in ventral view, apex of median lobe almost rounded and not curved downwards in lateral view, and setae of paramere more numerous.

Description. *Size and shape*: Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 4.15–4.2 mm, TL 4.55–4.65 mm, MW 2.3–2.35 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Head dark brown, reddish brown anteriorly and with two reddish brown spots on vertex; pronotum dark brown on disc and gradually paler to yellowish red lateral sides; elytra uniformly piceous; head appendages yellowish-red, legs reddish (Fig. 34).

Surface sculpture: Head with dense punctation (some punctures conjoint or spaces between most of them 1–3 times size of punctures), evidently finer and sparser anteriorly and posteriorly; diameter of punctures equal to diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with finer, slightly sparser, and more evenly distributed punctation than on head. Elytra with punctation slightly coarser and denser than on pronotum. Head, pronotum and elytra with strong microreticulation and punctation, dorsal surface submatt. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and rounded anteriorly, without anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, very narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae, apex of blade slightly but distinctly bent upwards; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antennomeres 5–7 evidently enlarged, antennomeres 4, 8, 9 slightly enlarged (Fig. 6A). Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral

hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of more than 40 and posterior row of 16 relatively long setae (Fig. 6B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 15–17 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe narrow, with very strong submedian constriction and large lateral folds in ventral view and its apex almost rounded and not curved downwards in lateral view (Fig. 6C, D). Paramere without notch on dorsal side, with subdistal setae numerous (Fig. 6E).

Holotype: TL-H 4.15 mm, TL 4.65 mm, MW 2.35 mm.

Female: Unknown.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Western and Sandaun Province. This species is known only from two localities (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after the type locality: Tabubil. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

21. *Exocelina tariensis* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/27224603-8DC9-43F7-BBFC-E05E1B397AFC>

Figs 11, 39

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB1289: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Hela Province, Tari, Mt. Ambua, 05°57.55'S; 143°04.99'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Southern Highlands, Tari, Mt Ambua, 2100m, 14.v.2006, 05.57.550S 143.04.993E, Balke (PNG 64)”, “DNA M.Balke 1289” [green] (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, blackish brown, with brown clypeus and pronotal sides, submatt; pronotum with lateral bead; male antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, with external margin more expanded, antennomeres 3, 4 almost equal in size, antennomere 5 slightly smaller, antennomere 6 somewhat enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, slightly curved upwards anterolateral hook-like seta, with pointed apex; median lobe broad, with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and thin apex in lateral view, apex with small lateral setae; paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part small, elongate, with not numerous, long, thick, almost straight setae. The species is similar to *E. sandaunensis* sp. n. and *E. simbaiarea* sp. n., except for more robust habitus, slightly matter pronotum, larger male antennomeres 3–5, with external margin more expanded, pointed and slightly curved upwards anterolateral hook-like seta of male protarsomere 4, subdistal part with setae less numerous and almost straight.

Description. *Size and shape*: Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 4 mm, TL 4.4 mm, MW 2.15 mm), with oblong-oval, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Dorsal surface more or less uniform blackish brown, paler on clypeus, vertex, and pronotal sides; head appendages and legs yellowish brown, legs darker distally (Fig. 39).

Surface sculpture: Punctuation as in *E. sandaunensis* sp. n. and *E. simbaiarea* sp. n.; microreticulation slightly stronger, especially on pronotum, than in *E. sandaunensis* sp. n. and *E. simbaiarea* sp. n.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and very slightly rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, with external margin more expanded, antennomeres 3, 4 almost equal in size, antennomere 5 slightly smaller, antennomere 6 somewhat enlarged (Fig. 11A). Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, slightly curved upwards anterolateral hook-like seta, with pointed apex. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 15 and posterior row of 5 short setae (Fig. 11B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 11–13 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe broad, with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and thin apex in lateral view, apex with small lateral setae (Fig. 11C, D). Paramere with notch on dorsal side and subdistal part small, elongate, with not numerous, long, thick, almost straight setae (Fig. 11E).

Female: Unknown.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Hela Province. This species is known only from the type locality (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named after the village of Tari where it was collected. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

22. *Exocelina vovai* Shaverdo & Balke, sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/8C7240ED-D3C7-4EAE-9FFC-79F2321D1AC8>

Figs 16, 44

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB1372: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Morobe Province, Menyamya, Mt. Inji, approximately 07°14.81S; 146°01.33E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Morobe, Menyamya, Mt Inji, 1900m, 14.xi.2006, nr 07.14.813S 146.01.330E, Balke & Kinibel (PNG 97)” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: 10 males, 9 females with the same label as the holotype, one male additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 1378” (NHMW, ZSM).

Additional material: 2 females “Papua New Guinea: Morobe, Menyamya, 4–5h towds Aseki, 1500–2000m, 15.xi.2006, nr 07.14.956S 146.05.687E, Balke & Kinibel (PNG 100)”, one of them additionally with a green label “DNA M.Balke 1372” (ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle medium-sized, dark brown to piceous, with paler clypeus, vertex, and pronotal sides, matt; pronotum with distinct lateral bead; male antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, almost equal in size, antennomeres 5 slightly rectangular, antennomeres 6 and 7 somewhat enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with large, slender,

evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe with weak submedian constriction and apex evidently concave in ventral view and with apex distinctly pointed in lateral view; paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, more or less long, thin setae. The species is similar to *E. gorokaensis* sp. n., from which differs with duller dorsal surface due to denser punctuation and stronger microreticulation, as well as larger and sometimes less rounded male antennomeres 3–5, paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side, and smaller median lobe, with apex evidently concave in ventral view and distinctly pointed in lateral view. Also it is similar to *E. bismarckensis* sp. n. from which differs with broader and more oval habitus, less rounded male antennomeres 3–5, narrower median lobe, with apex less rounded and evidently concave in ventral view and stronger pointed in lateral view.

Description. *Size and shape:* Beetle medium-sized (TL-H 3.85–4.2 mm, TL 4.4–4.65 mm, MW 2.1–2.3 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration:* Dorsal surface more or less uniform dark brown to piceous, paler on clypeus, vertex, pronotal sides, and along elytral suture; head appendages and legs yellowish red to dark reddish, legs darker distally (Fig. 44). Teneral specimens paler.

Surface sculpture: Head with very dense, coarse punctuation (spaces between punctures 1–2 times size of punctures). Pronotum with punctuation finer than on head. Elytra with punctuation sparser than on pronotum. Pronotum and elytra with rather strongly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface matt. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctuation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with distinct lateral bead. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and not rounded anteriorly, with small anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively narrow, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded or slightly truncate apically.

Male: Antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged, almost equal in size, antennomeres 5 slightly rectangular, antennomeres 6 and 7 somewhat enlarged (Fig. 16A), antennomeres 3–7 rugose ventrally. Protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 20 and posterior row of 4 short setae (Fig. 16B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 5–10 lateral striae on each side, slightly truncate apically. Median lobe with weak submedian constriction and apex evidently concave in ventral view and with apex distinctly pointed in lateral view (Fig. 16C, D). Paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with numerous, dense, more or less long, thin setae (Fig. 16E).

Holotype: TL-H 4.2 mm, TL 4.65 mm, MW 2.3 mm.

Female: Antennae simple, abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically, without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Morobe Province. This species is known only from Menyamya area (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The species is named for brother of the senior author, Vladimir (Vova) Shaverdo, with her sincere thanks for his help and interest in her life.

23. *Exocelina wannangensis* Shaverdo & Balke sp. n.

<http://zoobank.org/D68A7A92-A410-4DE6-BCD7-60BCD6528E22>

Figs 7, 35

Exocelina undescribed sp. MB3761: Toussaint et al. 2014: Supplementary figs 1–4, Tab. 2.

Type locality. Papua New Guinea: Madang Province, Usino, 05°31.13'S; 145°25.32'E.

Type material. *Holotype*: male “Papua New Guinea: Madang, Usino, 260m, 15.iii.2007, 05.31.125S 145.25.316E, Kinibel (PNG 158)” (ZSM). *Paratypes*: 11 males, 14 females with the same label as the holotype (NHMW, ZSM). 3 males, 2 females “Papua New Guinea: Madang, Wannang, 270m 31.x.2008, 05.15.458S 145.02.389E, Posman, (PNG187)” (NHMW, ZSM). 6 males, 7 females “Papua New Guinea: Madang, Wannang, 230m 3.x.2008, 05.17.235S, 145.06.160E, Posman (PNG188)”, two males additionally with green labels “DNA M.Balke 3761”, “DNA M.Balke 3762” (NHMW, ZSM).

Diagnosis. Beetle small, with head and pronotum red to reddish brown and elytra dark brown, shiny; pronotum with narrow, in some specimens indistinct lateral bead; male antennomeres modified: antennomeres 3–5 larger and more rounded than other, antennomeres 6, 7 somehow enlarged; male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta; median lobe slender, with strong submedian constriction in ventral view and elongate apex in lateral view; paramere with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part slightly elongate, broad, with long, dense, relatively thick setae. The species is similar to the complex of the following species: *E. edeltraudae*, *E. pseudoedeltraudae* sp. n., *E. jimienensis* sp. n., *E. tariensis* sp. n., *E. simbaiarea* sp. n., and *E. sandaunensis* sp. n. But it differs from all of them with its smaller size, narrow pronotal lateral bead, less modified male antennomeres, and structure and setation of the male genitalia.

Description. *Size and shape*: Beetle small (TL-H 2.95–3.50 mm, TL 3.25–3.90 mm, MW 1.55–1.85 mm), with oblong-oval habitus, broadest at elytral middle. *Coloration*: Head red to reddish brown, darker posterior eyes; pronotum red to reddish brown, darker on disc; elytra uniformly dark brown; head appendages red to reddish brown, legs darker, especially metathoracic legs (Fig. 35).

Surface sculpture: Head with dense punctation (spaces between punctures 1–3 times size of punctures), evidently finer and sparser anteriorly; diameter of punctures smaller than diameter of cells of microreticulation. Pronotum with much sparser and finer punctation than on head. Elytra with extremely sparse and fine punctation, almost invisible. Pronotum and elytra with weakly impressed microreticulation, dorsal surface shiny. Head with microreticulation stronger. Metaventrite and metacoxa distinctly microreticulate, metacoxal plates with longitudinal striae and transverse wrinkles. Abdominal ventrites with distinct microreticulation, striae, and fine sparse punctation, coarser and denser on two last abdominal ventrites.

Structures: Pronotum with narrow lateral bead. Some specimens with pronotal lateral bead indistinct and/or reduced at posterior angles. Base of prosternum and neck of prosternal process with distinct ridge, smooth and slightly rounded anteriorly,

without anterolateral extensions. Blade of prosternal process lanceolate, relatively broad, convex, with distinct lateral bead and few setae; neck and blade of prosternal process evenly jointed. Abdominal ventrite 6 broadly rounded apically.

Male: Antenna modified: antennomeres 3–5 larger and more rounded than other, antennomeres 6, 7 somehow enlarged (Fig. 7A). Protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta. Protarsomere 5 ventrally with anterior row of 10 short setae and posterior row of 6 short setae (Fig. 7B). Abdominal ventrite 6 with 6–8 lateral striae on each side. Median lobe slender, with strong submedian constriction in ventral view and elongate apex in lateral view (Fig. 7C, D). Paramere with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part slightly elongate, broad, with long, dense, relatively thick setae (Fig. 7E).

Holotype: TL-H 3.35 mm, TL 3.65 mm, MW 1.8 mm.

Female: Without evident differences in external morphology from males, except for simple antennae and abdominal ventrite 6 without striae.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea. This species is known only from Madang Province (Fig. 53).

Etymology. The name refers to the village of Wannang where this species was first discovered. The name is an adjective in the nominative singular.

Faunistic and morphological notes

Exocelina arfakensis Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012

Records. Indonesia: West Papua (additional record): 11 males, 6 females “Indonesia: Papua Barat, Arfak Mts., near Minyambouw, stream in forest, 1668m, 9.xi.2013, -1,10489175 133,88603192, UNIPA (BH037)”, two males additionally with labels “M.Balke 6199”, “M.Balke 6200” (MZB, NHMW, ZSM).

Distribution. Indonesia: West Papua Province: Manokwari Regency. So far, the species is known only from the Arfak Mountains, in the eastern part of the Bird’s Head.

Exocelina bifida Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012

Fig. 20

Records. Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province (first record): 6 males, 5 females “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Mianmin area, >600m, 13.i.2010, Ibalim & Pius (PNG236)”, two males additionally with labels “DNA M. Balke 4926” and “DNA M. Balke 4927” (NHMW, ZSM). 8 males, 6 females “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Mianmin area, >600m, 13.i.2010, Ibalim & Pius (PNG235)” (NHMW, ZSM). 4 males, 3 females “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Mianmin area, >700m, 14.i.2010, 04 54.540S 141 36.953E, Ibalim & Pius (PNG238)” (NHMW, ZSM). 3 males, 3 females “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Mianmin (river), 700m, 21.x.2008, 04.52.858S 141.31.706E, Ibalim (PNG 197)” (ZSM). 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Mianmin, 1080m, 24.x.2008, 04.55.780S 141.38.185E, S. Ibalim PNG195” (ZSM).

1 male, 1 female “Papua New Guinea: Sandaun, Ofektaman, 820m, 17.x.2008, 5.04.113S 141.35.841E, Ibalim (PNG 190)”, male additionally with a label “DNA M. Balke 3722” (ZSM).

Morphological notes. Beetles are smaller (TL-H 3.1–3.55 mm, TL 3.45–3.85 mm, MW 1.7–1.9 mm) than ones from the type locality: IN: Papua, Jayawijaya, Borne, Tarmlu. Also they have a slightly different shape of the median lobe of the aedeagus: the apex is less concave and narrower in ventral view and the right lateral side broader than in *E. bifida* (Fig. 20C). Differences in the setation of the protarsi and parameres are most likely within in the limits of intraspecific variability (Fig. 20B, E). In order to establish the status of these specimens, additional material from the border area, IN: Papua, Jayawijaya / PNG: Sandaun, is needed.

Distribution. Central part of the New Guinea Island, i.e., Indonesia: Papua Province, Jayawijaya Regency and Papua New Guinea: Sandaun Province.

Exocelina brahminensis Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012

Records. Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands Province (first record): 17 males “Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands, Bena Bridge, 1400m, 8.xii.2007, 06.10.781S 145.26.034E, Balke & Sagata (PNG 164)”.

Distribution. Papua New Guinea. This is one of the most widely distributed species in Papua New Guinea. It is known from the Momase Region: Sandaun, East Sepik, Madang, and Morobe Provinces (Shaverdo et al. 2012) and, now, also from Highlands Region: Eastern Highlands Province.

Exocelina knoeffchen Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012

Records. Papua New Guinea: Simbu (first record): 1 male, 2 females “Papua New Guinea Simbu prov L. Cizek lgt.”, “Kundiawa, Mu vill. 145°02'E, 4°42'S [6°05'S; 145°02'E] III.2001, 1900m” (ZSM).

Distribution. Papua New Guinea: Eastern Highlands and Simbu Provinces. The present record is an extension of the known distribution of the species to the northwest.

Exocelina polita (Sharp, 1882)

Records. Indonesia: West Papua (additional record): 13 males, 13 females “Indonesia: Papua Barat, Manokwari to Kebar, forest stream, 302m, 3.xi.2013, -0,80058566 133,33216397, UNIPA (BH023)”, one male additionally with a label “M.Balke 6186” (MZB, NHMW, ZSM). 36 males 78 females “Indonesia: Papua Barat, Kebar to Aibogar, slow forest stream, 503m, 4.xi.2013, -0,86241595 132,82993928, UNIPA (BH025)”, one male additionally with a label “M.Balke 6191”, the females are a mixture of *E. polita* and one undescribed species (NHMW, ZSM). 6 males, 9 females

“Indonesia: Papua Barat, Kebar to Manokwari, 1 h from Kebar, limesone creek and roadside pools, 331m, 8.xi.2013, -0,80138488 133,32238254, UNIPA (BH035)”, one male and one female additionally with labels “M.Balke 6197” and “M.Balke 6198” respectively (MZB, NHMW, ZSM).

Morphological notes. Most specimens are darker than the holotype, piceous, with dark brown head and pronotal sides. It is obvious that the holotype, with its dark brown dorsal coloration, is a slightly teneral specimen. Some variability (narrower apex in lateral view) in the shape of the apical part of the median lobe is observed.

Distribution. Indonesia: West Papua Province: Manokwari Regency. So far, this species has been known only as its holotype from Arfak Mountains. The present records are an extension of the known distribution of the species to the northwest.

Exocelina pseudosoppi Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012

Records. Indonesia: Papua (additional record), Jayapura Regency (first record): 2 males “Indonesia, Papua, Sentani-Lereh road, 415m, 27.ix.2014, -2.6524433 140.0164157, Menufandu (Pap034)” (MZB).

Distribution. Indonesia: Papua Province: Nabire, Paniai, and Jayapura Regencies. So far, this species has been known only from the Nabire-Enarotali region. The present record is an extension of the known distribution of the species to the northeast.

Key to all described species of the *Exocelina ekari*-group

This key is a modified version of the key to species of the *E. ekari*-group from Shaverdo et al. (2012). It is based mostly on male characters. In many cases females cannot be assigned to species due to the similarity of their external and internal structures (for female genitalia see figs 17a and 17b in Shaverdo et al. (2005) and fig. 7C in Shaverdo et al. (2013)). Some species are rather similar in external morphology, therefore, in most cases the male genitalia need to be studied for reliable species identifications. Numbers in brackets refer to the order of the new species descriptions above.

- 1 Outline of median lobe with weak apical discontinuity in ventral view (Fig. 1D, E; fig. 6 in Shaverdo et al. (2005)), beetles broadly oval, with evident punctuation and microreticulation dorsally, paramere without notch on dorsal side, with triangular basal part and thin subdistal part (Fig. 1C; fig. 16b in Shaverdo et al. (2005)) **2**
- Outline of median lobe more strongly discontinuous in ventral view, usually in submedial part (e.g., Figs 3D, 3E, 4C), beetles oblong-oval, with different punctuation and microreticulation dorsally, paramere with or without notch on dorsal side, with basal and subdistal parts of different shape..... **3**
- 2 Pronotum without lateral bead, beetle larger, TL-H: 3.6–3.7 mm, reddish-brown to dark brown, apex of median lobe slightly concave in ventral view

- (Fig. 1E; fig. 6 in Shaverdo et al. (2005)), paramere with distinct setae (fig. 16b in Shaverdo et al. (2005)) ***vladimiri* (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005)**
- Pronotum with distinct lateral bead, beetle smaller, TL-H: 2.9–3.2 mm, dark brown to piceous (Fig. 32), apex of median lobe deeply concave in ventral view (Fig. 1D), paramere with inconspicuous setae (Fig. 1C) (19) ***skalei* sp. n.**
- 3 Pronotum with distinct lateral bead, broad or narrow **4**
- Pronotum without lateral bead or with weak traces of lateral bead **33**
- 4 Male antennomeres simple or slightly modified: antennomeres 3–7 very slightly enlarged (almost indistinctly), antennomere 3 slightly more triangular than other antennomeres or antennomeres 3–9 stout, with 4–5 slightly larger than other **5**
- Male antennomeres 3–5 or 5–7 evidently enlarged **14**
- 5 Beetle larger, TL-H: 3.9–5.0 mm, piceous **6**
- Beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.05–4.1 mm, reddish-brown to piceous **7**
- 6 Beetle larger, TL-H: 4.8–5.0 mm (fig. 24 in Shaverdo et al. (2012)), male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta, apex of median lobe pointed and curved downwards in lateral view (figs 10, 15a in Shaverdo et al. (2005)).. ***munaso* (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005)**
- Beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.9–4.1 mm (fig. 25 in Shaverdo et al. (2012)), male protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta, apex of median lobe almost rounded in lateral view (figs 9, 14a in Shaverdo et al. (2005)) ***atowaso* (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005)**
- 7 Male antenna simple, with antennomeres thin **8**
- Male antennomeres slightly modified, stout, with antennomere 3 slightly more triangular or 4–5 slightly larger than other antennomeres (Fig. 5A; figs 2A, 3A in Shaverdo et al. 2012) **12**
- 8 Beetle larger, TL-H: 3.8–3.9 mm, MW: 2.0–2.15 mm, dorsally with distinct punctation, submatt **9**
- Beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.05–3.8 mm, MW: 1.6–2.05 mm, dorsally with very fine punctation, almost invisible, shiny **11**
- 9 Median lobe short and with extremely strongly discontinuous (curved, plicate) outline, paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate, with dense, long, thin setae (Fig. 3B–E; figs 37, 46, 64 in Balke (1998)) **10**
- Median lobe longer and without such a strong modification, paramere with strong notch on dorsal side (Fig. 2C–E) (11) ***michaelsensis* sp. n.**
- 10 Median lobe without notch on left side in ventral view (Fig. 3E; fig. 64 in Balke (1998)), protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender, slightly curved anterolateral hook-like seta ***astrophallus* (Balke, 1998)**
- Median lobe without notch on left side in ventral view (Fig. 3D), protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta (13) ***pseudoastrophallus* sp. n.**

- 11 Beetle reddish brown to brown dorsally, median lobe more slender in ventral view, paramere with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part short and large (figs 26, 1C–F in Shaverdo et al. 2012) ***oceai* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Beetle piceous dorsally (Fig. 36), median lobe broader in ventral view, paramere with weaker notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate (Fig. 4C–F)..... (3) ***craterensis* sp. n.**
- 12 Male antennomeres antennomeres 3–9 stout, with 4–5 slightly larger than other, median lobe with very strong median constriction and proximal part very broad in ventral view, apex of median lobe broad, slightly concave in middle and twisted at both sides in ventral view and shortly pointed in lateral view, subdistal part of paramere elongate, with a large brush of long, dense, thin setae, proximal setae almost invisible (Fig. 5).....(5) ***herowana* sp. n.**
- Male antennomeres 3–7 very slightly enlarged, antennomere 3 slightly more triangular than other antennomeres, median lobe with median constriction weaker and proximal part narrower in ventral view, apex of median lobe of different shape, subdistal part of paramere short and small, with less numerous, short, thick, and flattened setae, proximal setae distinct (figs 2, 3 in Shaverdo et al. 2012) **13**
- 13 Beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.45–3.7 mm, MW: 1.8–2.0 mm, apex of median lobe elongate in lateral view (figs 28, 2D in Shaverdo et al. 2012) ***waigeoensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Beetle larger, TL-H: 3.75–4.1 mm, MW: 1.9–2.2 mm, apex of median lobe truncate in lateral view (figs 29, 3D in Shaverdo et al. 2012) ***evelyncheesmanae* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- 14 Male antennomeres 5–7 evidently enlarged, antennomeres 4, 8, 9 slightly enlarged, male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, evidently curved anterolateral hook-like seta (Fig. 6A, B), median lobe and paramere as in Fig. 6C–F (20) ***tabubilensis* sp. n.**
- Male antennomeres 3–5 evidently enlarged **15**
- 15 Male antennomeres 3–5 enlarged, more or less rounded, almost equal in size and shape..... **16**
- Male antennomeres 3 or 3–4 distinctly more modified in shape (triangular) and larger than other antennomeres..... **27**
- 16 Punctuation of dorsal surface, especially on elytra, very fine and sparse, sometimes almost invisible, beetle dorsally shiny..... **17**
- Punctuation of dorsal surface very distinct, coarser and denser, beetle submatt or matt..... **23**
- 17 Beetle smaller, TL-H: 2.95–3.50 mm, MW: 1.55–1.85 mm, pronotal lateral bead narrow (Fig. 39), protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta (Fig. 7B), paramere with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part slightly elongate and broad (Fig. 7E), median lobe as in Fig. 7C–F (23) ***wannangensis* sp. n.**

- Beetle larger, TL-H: 3.3–4.45 mm, MW: 1.9–2.55 mm, pronotal lateral bead distinct, broader, paramere with shallow or distinct notch on dorsal side and subdistal part elongate and narrower **18**
- 18 Median lobe with very strong median constriction and proximal part very broad in ventral view, apex of median lobe pointed and strongly curved downwards in lateral view (Figs 8E, 9D), male abdominal ventrite 6 slightly to distinctly concave apically (Fig. 8C) **19**
- Median lobe evenly broad, with distinctly weaker median constriction in ventral view, apex of median lobe not strongly curved downwards, male abdominal ventrite 6 slightly truncate or broadly rounded apically **20**
- 19 Male antennomeres 3–5 smaller and less rounded, for antennomeres 3 and 4, ratio width/length: < 0.92 (Fig. 8A), dorsal surface slightly shinier due to weaker punctation and microreticulation (Fig. 41), apex of median lobe broader in lateral view (Fig. 8D) **edeltraudae Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Male antennomeres 3–5 more strongly enlarged and rounded, for antennomeres 3 and 4, ratio width/length: > 1.0 (Fig. 9A; fig. 4A in Shaverdo et al. 2012), dorsal surface less shinier due to stronger punctation and microreticulation (Fig. 42; fig. 30 Shaverdo et al. 2012), apex of median lobe narrower in lateral view (Fig. 9E; fig. 4C in Shaverdo et al. 2012)
..... (15) **pseudoedeltraudae sp. n.**
- 20 Male antennomeres 3–5 more strongly enlarged, antennomere 5 smaller than antennomeres 4–5, median lobe with very weak submedian constriction in ventral view and thin apex in lateral view, subdistal part of paramere with setae longer and thicker, less numerous **21**
- Male antennomeres 3–5 smaller, almost equal in size, median lobe with stronger submedian constriction in ventral view and more broadened apex in lateral view, subdistal part of paramere with setae shorter and thinner, more numerous (Fig. 10) (6) **jimiensis sp. n.**
- 21 Beetle dorsally matter, especially pronotum, male antennomeres 3–5 more strongly enlarged, with external margin more expanded, male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, slightly curved upwards anterolateral hook-like seta, with pointed apex, subdistal part of paramere with setae less numerous (Fig. 11)
..... (21) **tariensis sp. n.**
- Beetle dorsally shinier, especially pronotum, male antennomeres 3–5 smaller, male protarsomere 4 with large, slender, curved but not upwards anterolateral hook-like seta, with more or less rounded apex, subdistal part of paramere with setae more numerous **22**
- 22 Male antennomere 5 with external margin rounded (Fig. 12A), abdominal ventrite 6 with 13–14 striae, apex of median lobe shorter (Fig. 12D)
..... (18) **simbaiarea sp. n.**
- Male antennomere 5 with external margin almost straight (Fig. 13A), abdominal ventrite 6 with 7–10 striae, apex of median lobe longer (Fig. 13D)
..... (17) **sandaunensis sp. n.**

- 23 Beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.3–3.75 mm, MW: 1.9–2.1 mm24
- Beetle larger, TL-H: 3.6–4.45 mm, MW: 1.95–2.4 mm25
- 24 Beetle dorsally brightly ferruginous to castaneous, submatt, with punctuation coarse and dense (fig. 31 in Shaverdo et al. 2012), apex of median lobe broader in ventral view, paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side (fig. 5C, E in Shaverdo et al. 2012) ***hansferyi* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Beetle dorsally dark brown, almost shiny, with punctuation less coarse and dense (fig. 32 in Shaverdo et al. 2012), apex of median lobe narrower in ventral view, paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side (fig. 6C, E in Shaverdo et al. 2012) ***bundiensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- 25 Paramere with distinct notch on dorsal side (Fig. 14E). Dorsal punctuation finer (Fig. 46) (4) ***gorokaensis* sp. n.**
- Paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side (Figs 15E, 16E). Dorsal punctuation coarser (Figs 47, 48)26
- 26 Habitus more elongate, often with subparallel sides (Fig. 47), apex of median lobe almost rounded in ventral view, with curved part gradually pointed in lateral view (Fig. 15D) (2) ***bismarckensis* sp. n.**
- Habitus more oval (Fig. 48), apex of median lobe not rounded, distinctly concave in ventral view, with curved part more sharply pointed in lateral view (Fig. 16D) (22) ***vovai* sp. n.**
- 27 Male antennomere 3 much larger than other antennomeres, triangular, beetle larger, TL-H: 3.8–4.8 mm, MW: 2.0–2.55 mm, male protarsomere 4 with anterolateral hook very small (smaller than more laterally situated large seta), thin, and slightly curved, paramere distinctly longer than median lobe, without notch on dorsal side, with relatively short, sparse, thin setae28
- Male antennomeres 3 and 4 much larger than other antennomeres, triangular, beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.7–4.3 mm, MW: 2.05–2.3 mm, male protarsomere 4 with anterolateral hook thin or thick, slightly curved but larger than more laterally situated large seta, paramere equal or shorter than median lobe, with notch on dorsal side, setae of subdistal part not numerous, relatively short, thick, and flattened30
- 28 Beetle larger, TL-H: 4.5–4.8 mm, MW: 2.35–2.55 mm, dorsally shiny, with fine, indistinct punctuation, male antennomeres 3 and 4 smaller (figs 33, 7A in Shaverdo et al. (2012)).. ***knoepfchen* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.8–4.5 mm, MW: 2.0–2.5 mm, dorsally submatt or matt, with coarse, distinct punctuation, male antennomeres 3 and 4 larger... 29
- 29 Beetle larger, TL-H: 4.3–4.5 mm, MW: 2.35–2.5 mm, dorsally matt, with microreticulation stronger (Fig. 49), antennomere 3 smaller, more triangular, median lobe with apex more rounded in lateral view, male protarsomere 4 with anterolateral hook-like seta smaller than more laterally situated large seta, paramere with less numerous subdistal long setae and, especially, internal spines (Fig. 17), abdominal ventrite 6 with 7–9 lateral striae on each side (7) ***kisli* sp. n.**

- Beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.8–4.2 mm, MW: 2.0–2.3 mm, dorsally submatt, with microreticulation weaker (Fig. 50), male antennomere 3 larger, with external margin more rounded, median lobe with apex pointed in lateral view, male protarsomere 4 with anterolateral hook-like seta larger than more laterally situated large seta, paramere with more numerous subdistal long setae and internal spines (Fig. 18), abdominal ventrite 6 with 14–17 lateral striae on each side (8) ***ksionseki* sp. n.**
- 30 Male antennomeres 3 and 4 more strongly elongated, more equal in size and shape, elytral punctuation fine, coloration dark brown to piceous, apex of median lobe almost truncate in lateral view, paramere narrower (figs 8A, 34, 8D, E in Shaverdo et al. (2012)).. ***alexanderi* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Male antennomeres 3 and 4 less elongated, antennomere 3 larger than 4, coloration and elytral punctuation different, median lobe with apex elongate in lateral view, paramere broader **31**
- 31 Beetle dorsally ferrugineous, submatt, with coarse punctuation, male protarsomere 4 with anterolateral hook thin (figs 35, 9B in Shaverdo et al. (2012)), median lobe and paramere as in figs 9C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012) ***anggiensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Beetle dorsally brown to piceous, shiny, with distinctly finer punctuation, male protarsomere 4 with anterolateral hook thin or thick, median lobe and paramere different..... **32**
- 32 Beetle dorsally piceous, with elytral punctuation fine but distinct, male protarsomere 4 with thick anterolateral hook (figs 36, 10B in Shaverdo et al. (2012)), median lobe and paramere as in figs 10C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012)..... ***arfakensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Beetle dorsally brown, with elytral punctuation almost invisible, male protarsomere 4 with thin anterolateral hook (figs 37, 11B in Shaverdo et al. (2012)), median lobe and paramere as in figs 11C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012)..... ***polita* (Sharp, 1882)**
- 33 Male antennomeres 3 and 4 strongly enlarged, 5 less enlarged, and 2, 6–9 slightly enlarged **34**
- Male antennomeres simple or antennomeres 3–10 slightly enlarged (stout) **35**
- 34 Beetle reddish-brown to brown, apex of median lobe symmetrical in ventral view (figs 38, 12C in Shaverdo et al. (2012)) ***irianensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Beetle dark brown to piceous, apex of median lobe asymmetrical in ventral view (figs 39, 13C in Shaverdo et al. (2012)) ***wondiwoiensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- 35 Sternite 7 slightly or strongly concave apically, median lobe long, with very weak submedian constriction and narrow apex in ventral view, paramere large, with strong notch on dorsal side and subdistal part very broad, subquadrate (fig. 14C–F in Shaverdo et al. (2012)) ***utowaensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**

- Sternite 7 broadly rounded or truncate apically, median lobe distinctly shorter, paramere smaller, with weaker notch on dorsal side and subdistal part small and short or elongate **36**
- 36 Apex of median lobe bifid: with small dorsal extension in lateral view..... **37**
- Apex of median lobe not bifid in lateral view **38**
- 37 Apex of median lobe with small dorsal extension weaker in lateral view (Fig. 19D)..... (14) ***pseudobifida* sp. n.**
- Apex of median lobe with small dorsal extension stronger in lateral view (Fig. 20D; fig. 15D in Shaverdo et al. (2012)) ***bifida* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- 38 Apex of median lobe very strongly protruding, forming long, thin prolongation in lateral view, ventral sclerite apically divided in three parts (Fig. 24C, D)..... (12) ***pinocchio* sp. n.**
- Apex of median lobe broadly or narrowly elongate or almost truncate but never with long, thin prolongation in lateral view, ventral sclerite apically divided in two parts **39**
- 39 Beetle larger, TL-H: 3.4–3.7 mm (fig. 42 in Shaverdo et al. (2012)), paramere with subdistal part small and short, with not numerous, relatively short, thick, and flattened setae, apical part of median lobe very broad in ventral view and slightly flattened in lateral view, (fig. 16C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012)) ***ekari* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Beetle smaller, TL-H: 3.0–3.6 mm, paramere with subdistal part short or elongate, setation different, apical part of median lobe different, usually narrower in ventral view **40**
- 40 Paramere with subdistal part short and more rounded (e.g., Fig. 25E) **41**
- Paramere with subdistal part elongate (e.g., Fig. 29E) **43**
- 41 Median lobe slender, especially its apical part, subdistal part of paramere with not numerous, relatively short, thick, flattened, slightly curved at apex setae (fig. 17C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012)) ***weylandensis* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Median lobe more robust, subdistal part of paramere with more numerous setae..... **42**
- 42 Male protarsomere 4 with medium-sized, slender anterolateral hook-like seta (fig. 18B in Shaverdo et al. (2012)), prosternal ridge evidently rounded and smooth, median lobe with apex broader in lateral view, subdistal part of paramere with thinner setae (fig. 18C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012))..... ***soppi* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Male protarsomere 4 with large, thick, strongly curved anterolateral hook-like seta (Figs 21B, 22B, 23B), prosternal ridge anteriorly evidently less rounded and smooth, median lobe with apex narrower in lateral view, subdistal part of paramere with thicker, somewhat flattened setae (Figs 21C–E, 22C–E, 23C–E)..... (1) ***bewaniensis* sp. n.**

- 43 Subdistal part of paramere with numerous long, dense, thin or thick but never flattened setae (e.g., fig. 22E in Shaverdo et al. (2012))44
- Subdistal part of paramere with at least some flattened setae (e.g., Fig. 29E) ...45
- 44 Male antennomeres simple, median lobe with apex almost truncate in lateral view and submedian constriction stronger in ventral view, paramere with setae of proximal part longer, thicker, distinctly visible (fig. 22A, C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012))**kakapupu Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Male antennomeres 3–10 stout, median lobe with apex elongate in lateral view and submedian constriction weaker in ventral view, paramere with setae of proximal part shorter, thinner, often hardly visible (fig. 23A, C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012)) **unipo Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- 45 Subdistal part of paramere with a strong tuft of thicker, somewhat flattened, and strongly curved at apex setae, median lobe with apex truncate in lateral view (fig. 19 C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012))
.....**pseudosoppi Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Subdistal part of paramere with more numerous setae, not forming a tuft, median lobe with apex distinctly more elongate in lateral view46
- 46 Subdistal part of paramere elongate but broad, only with thick, flattened setae, except for a very few short fine distal setae47
- Subdistal part of paramere evidently narrower, with two kinds of setae: thin upper setae and thick and flattened lower setae48
- 47 Apex of median lobe broadly elongate in lateral view and almost broadly rounded in ventral view, paramere with shallow notch on dorsal side, subdistal part of paramere with distal flattened setae longer, proximal part of paramere with setae short, almost invisible (Fig. 25C–E) (10) **mantembu sp. n.**
- Apex of median lobe almost truncate in lateral view and deeply concave in ventral view, paramere with strong notch on dorsal side, subdistal part of paramere with proximal flattened setae longer, proximal part of paramere with setae long, evident (Fig. 26C–E) (9) **lembena sp. n.**
- 48 Median lobe longer, its apex almost truncate in lateral view, paramere on dorsal side with notch tip sharply pointed, subdistal part of paramere with upper thin setae more numerous and lower flattened setae shorter and thicker (fig. 21A, C–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012))**brahminensis Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Median lobe shorter, its apex slightly elongate in lateral view, paramere on dorsal side with notch tip broadly rounded, subdistal part of paramere with upper thin setae less numerous and lower flattened setae longer, thinner, and curved at apex49
- 49 Apex of median lobe broader and asymmetrical in ventral view, subdistal part of paramere with upper thin setae more, male protarsomere 4 with thick anterolateral hook-like seta (fig. 20B–E in Shaverdo et al. (2012))
.....**eme Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012**
- Apex of median lobe narrower and symmetrical in ventral view, subdistal part of paramere with upper thin setae less numerous, male protarsomere 4 with slender anterolateral hook-like seta (Fig. 27B–E) (16) **pseudoeme sp. n.**

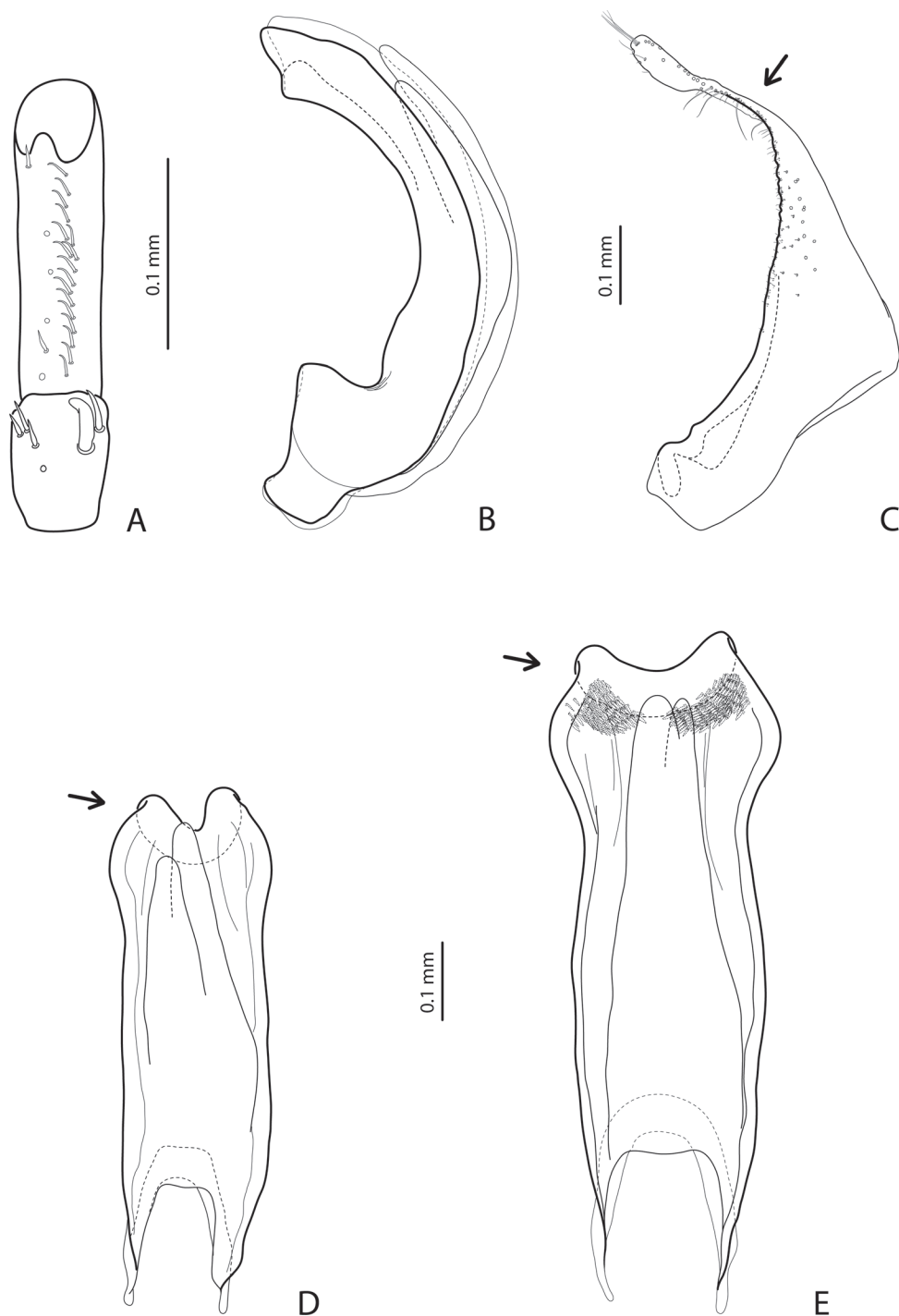


Figure 1. **A–D** *Exocelina skalei* sp. n. **E** *E. vladimiri* (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005) **A** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **B** median lobe in lateral view **C** paramere in external view **D, E** median lobe in ventral view.

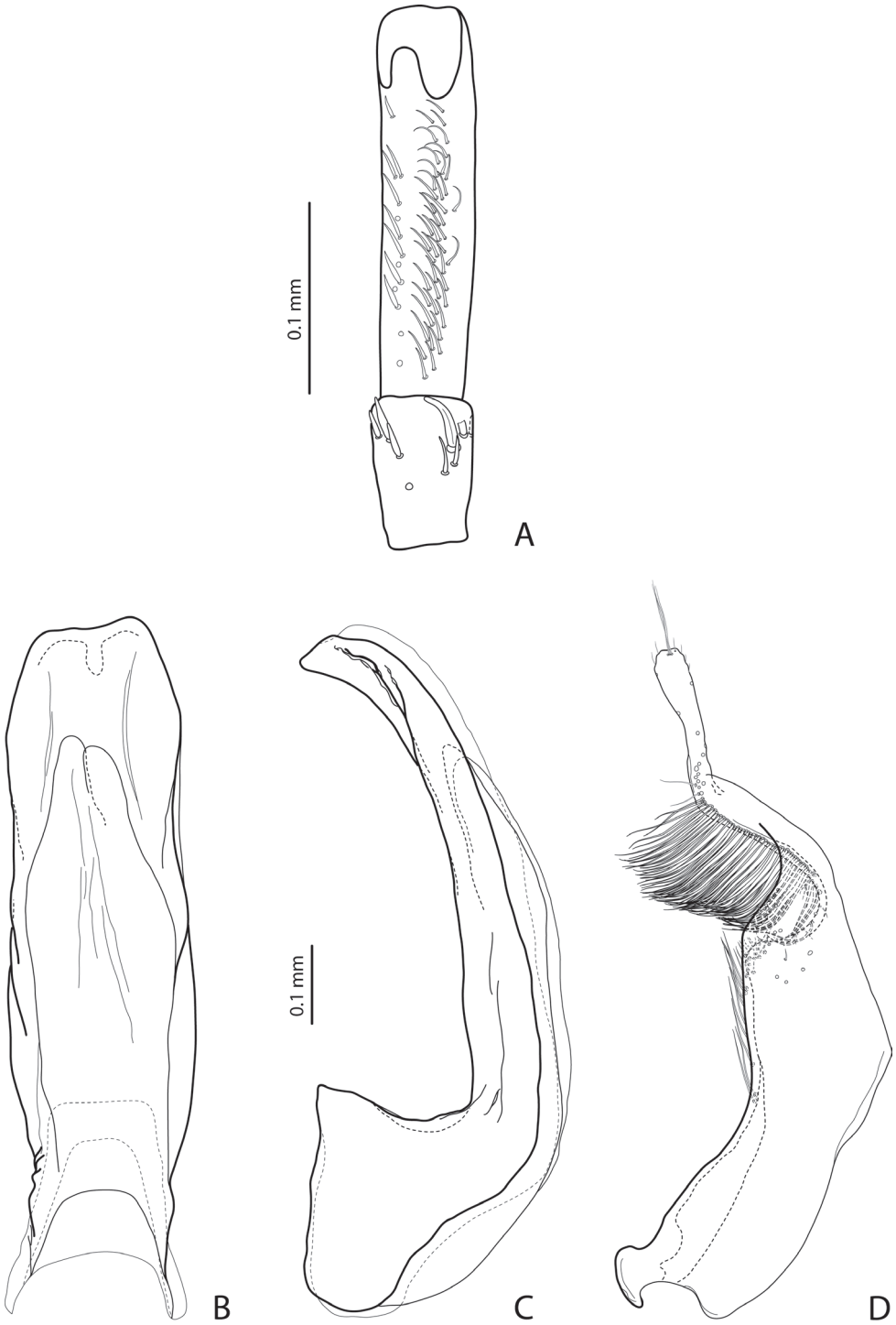


Figure 2. *Exocelina michaelensis* sp. n. **A** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **B** median lobe in ventral view **C** median lobe in lateral view **D** paramere in external view.

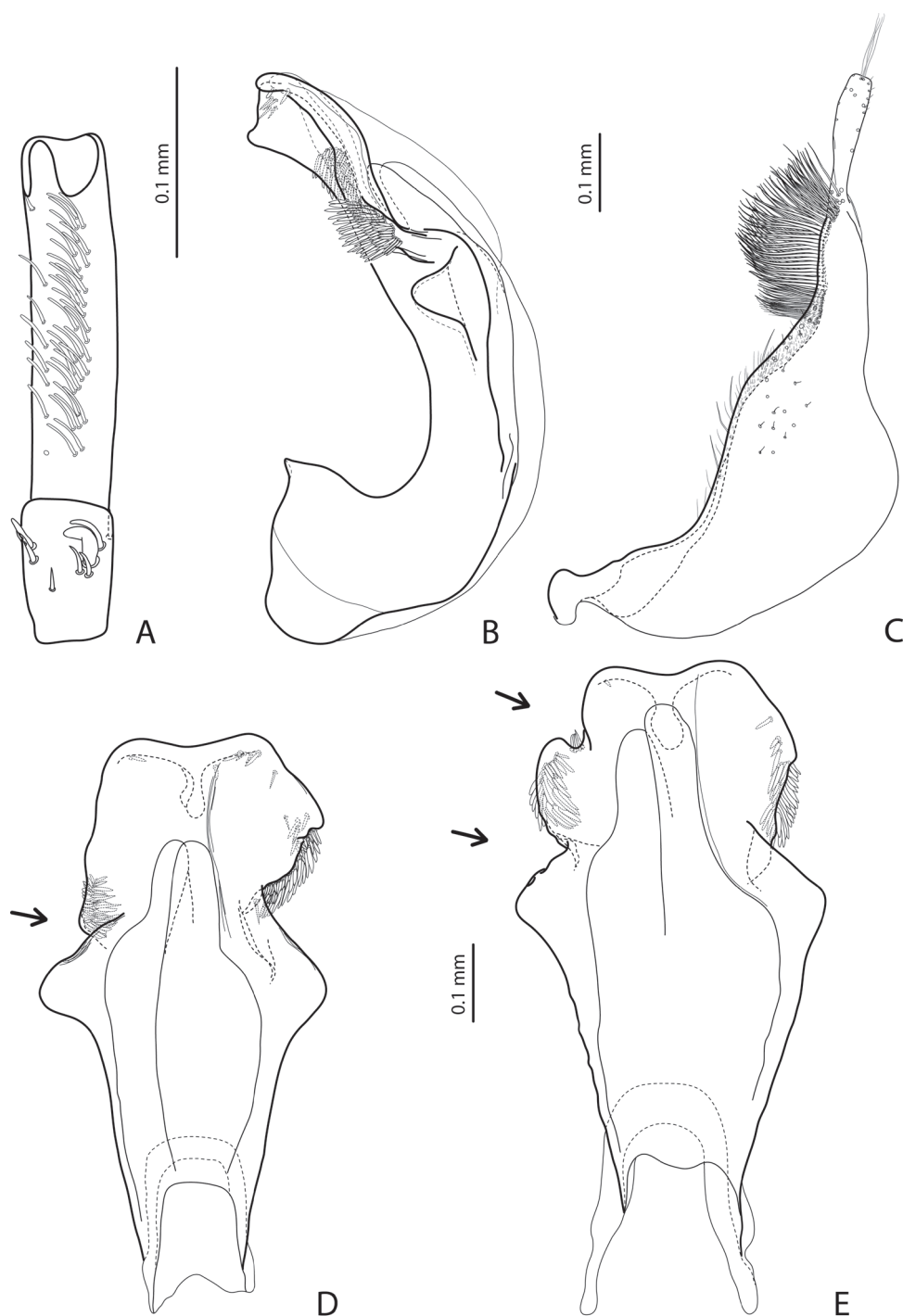
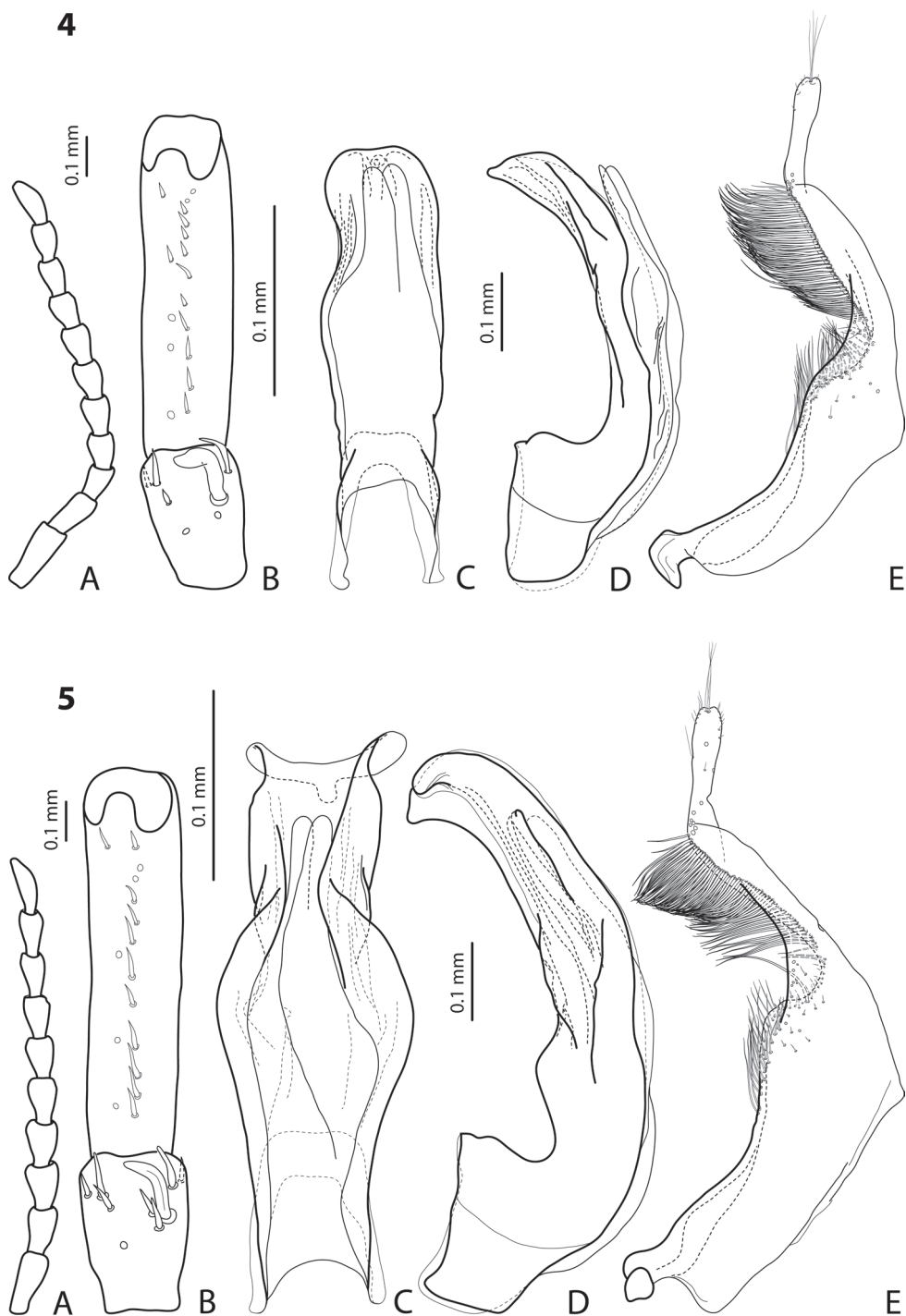


Figure 3. **A–D** *Exocelina pseudoastrophallus* sp. n. **E** *E. astrophallus* (Balke, 1998), near Madang **A** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **B** median lobe in lateral view **C** paramere in external view **D, E** median lobe in ventral view.



Figures 4, 5. 4 *Exocelina craterensis* sp. n. 5 *E. herowana* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

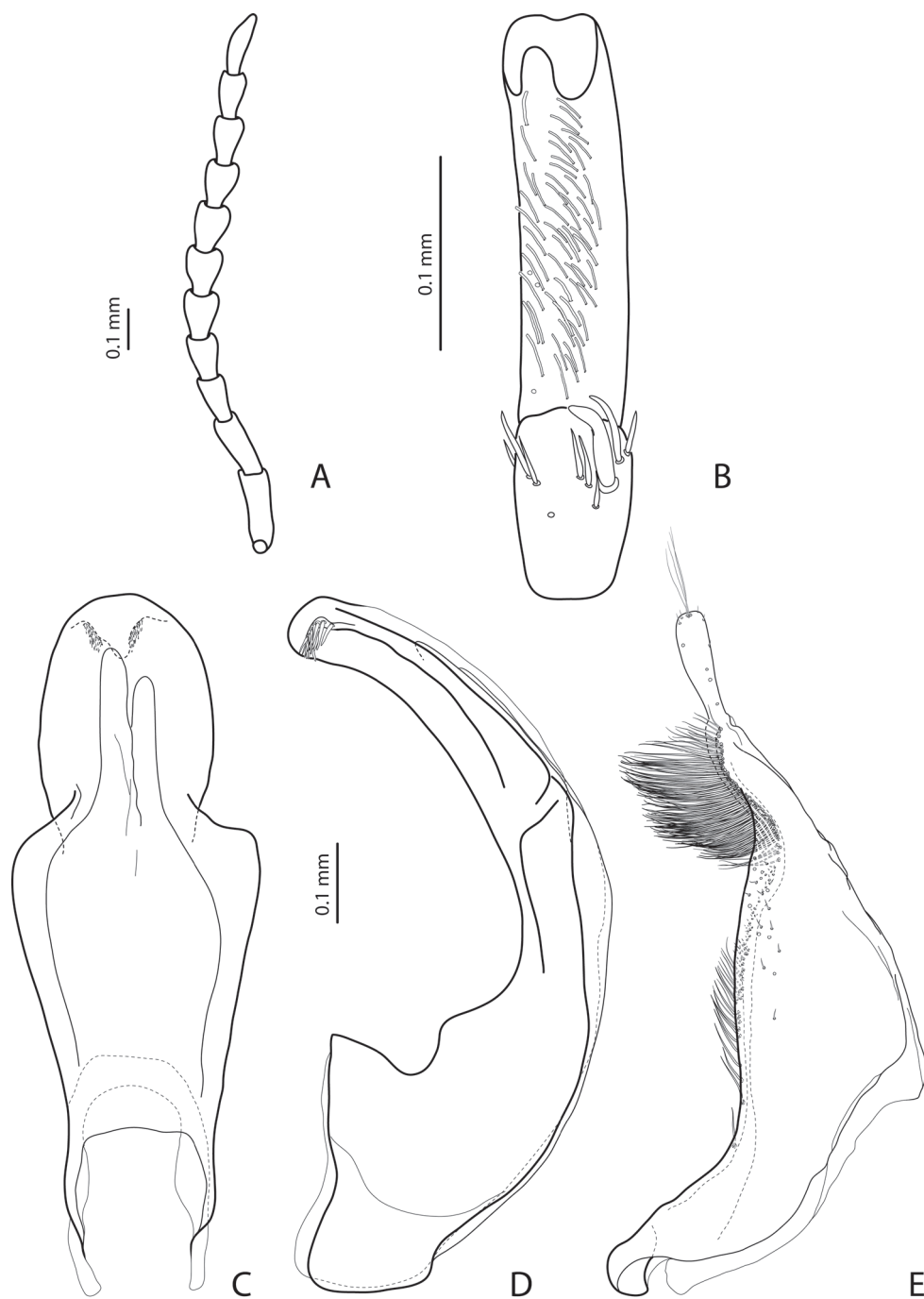


Figure 6. *Exocelina tabubilensis* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

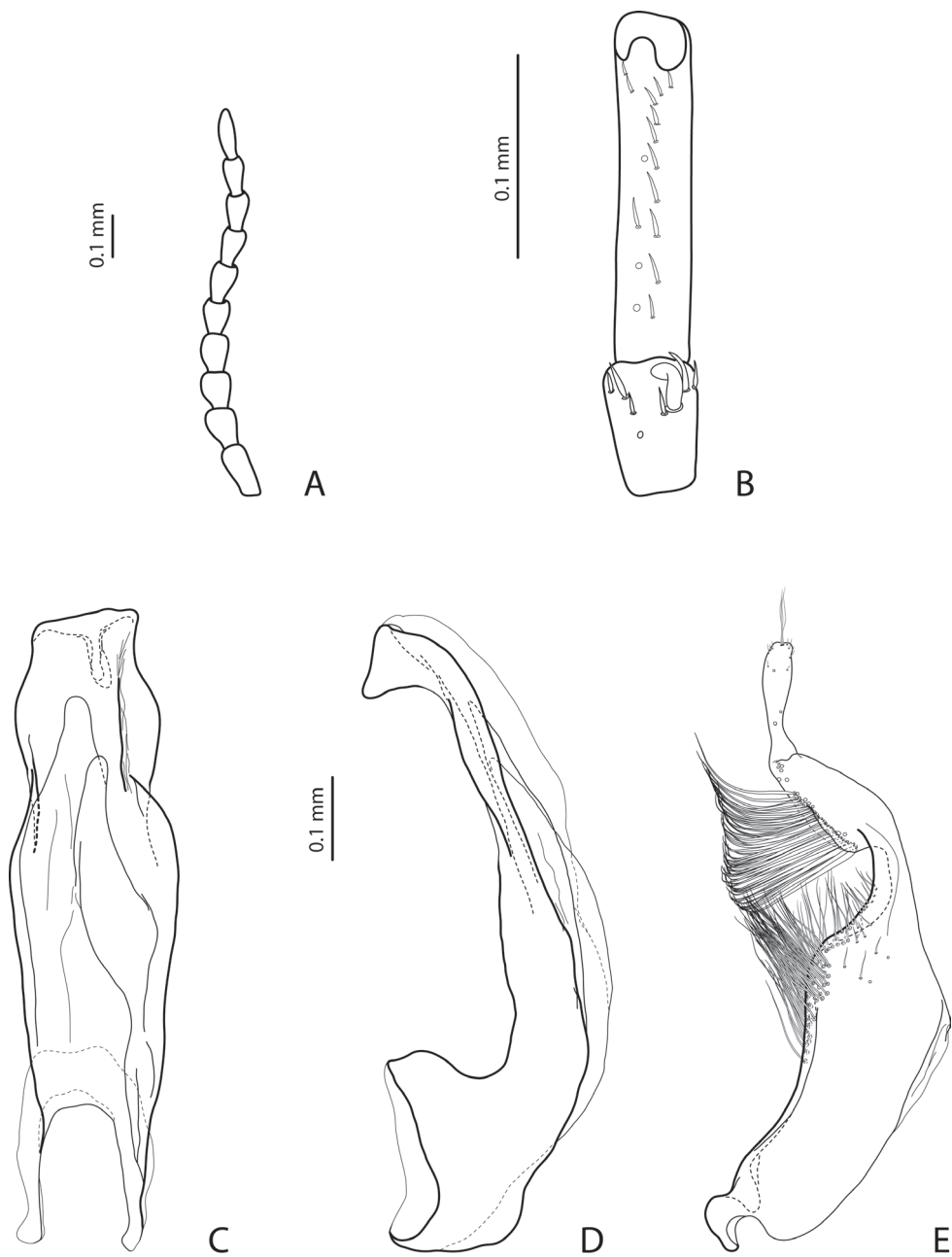


Figure 7. *Exocelina wannangensis* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

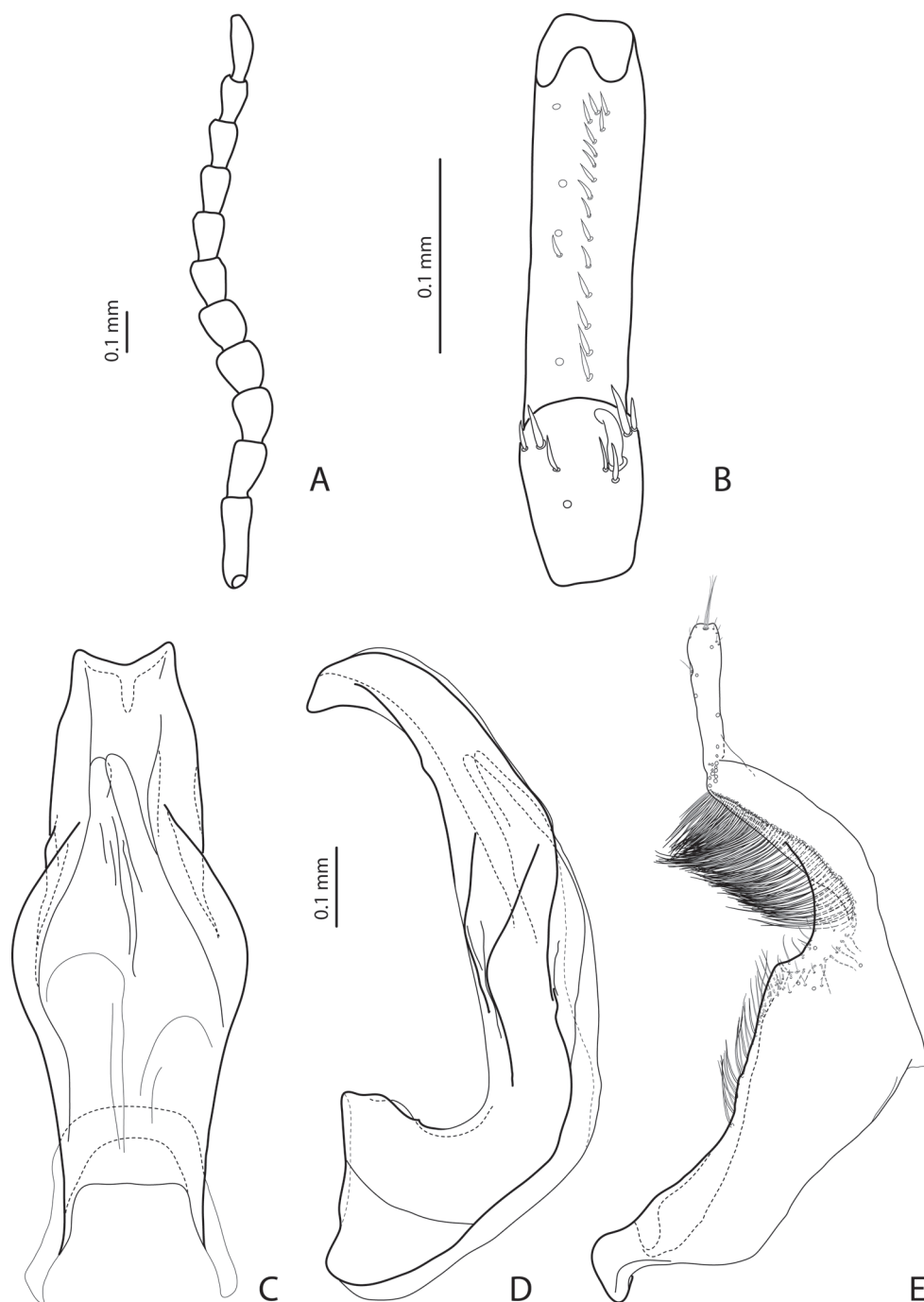


Figure 8. *Exocelina edeltraudae* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012 **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

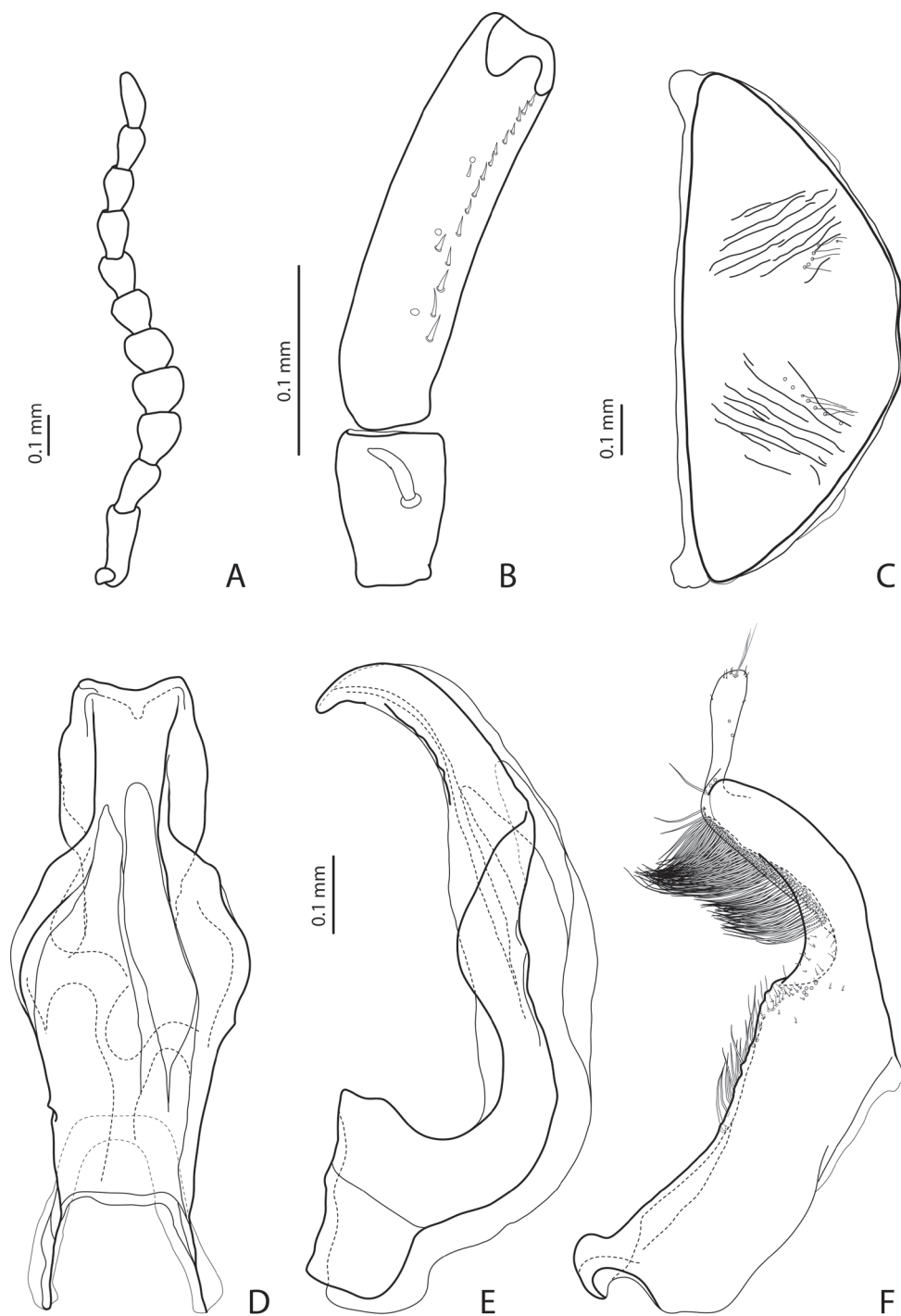


Figure 9. *Exocelina pseudoedeltraudae* sp. n. from Shaverdo et al. (2012, fig. 4) **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** abdominal ventrite 6 **D** median lobe in ventral view **E** median lobe in lateral view **F** paramere in external view.

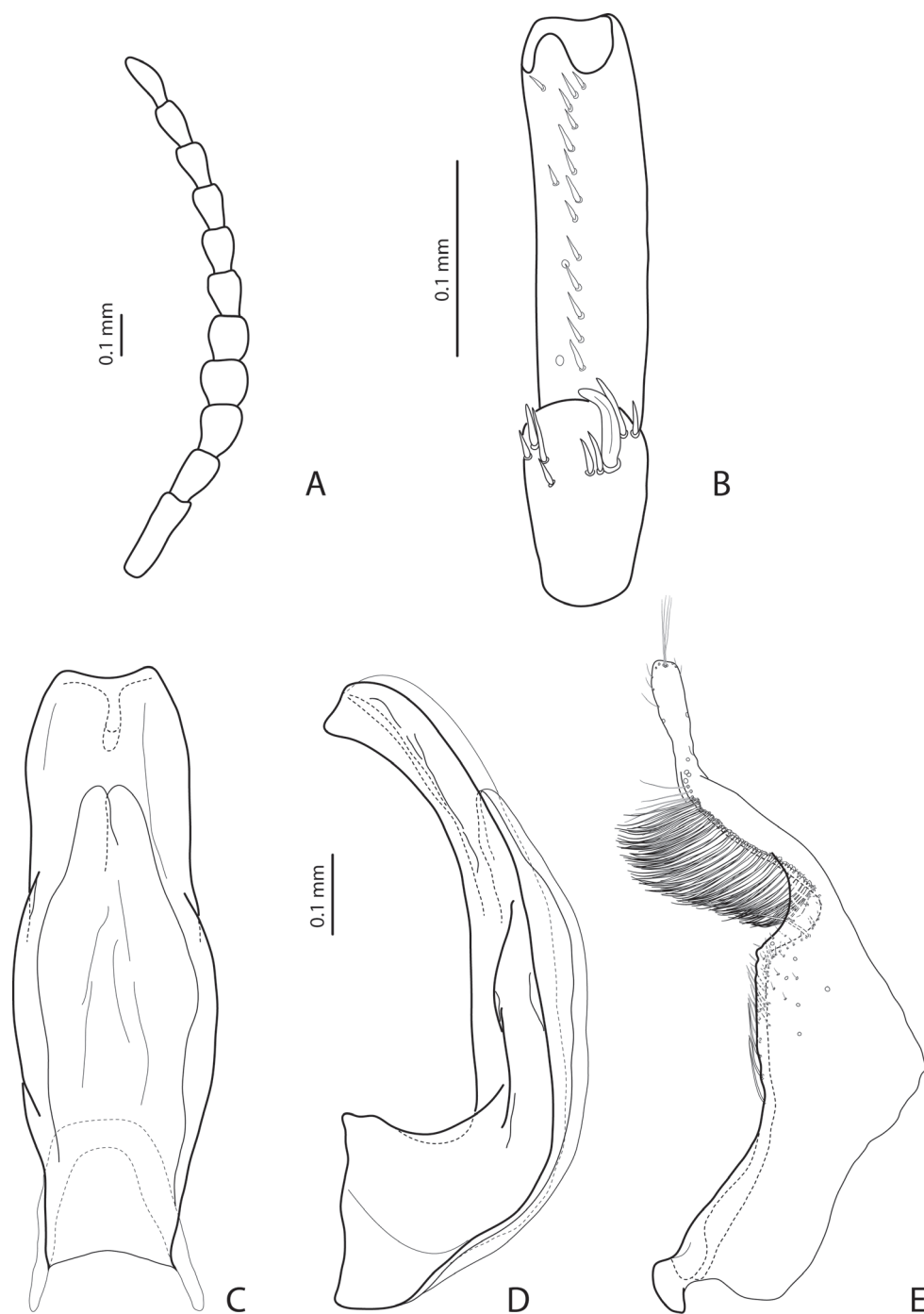


Figure 10. *Exocelina jimensis* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

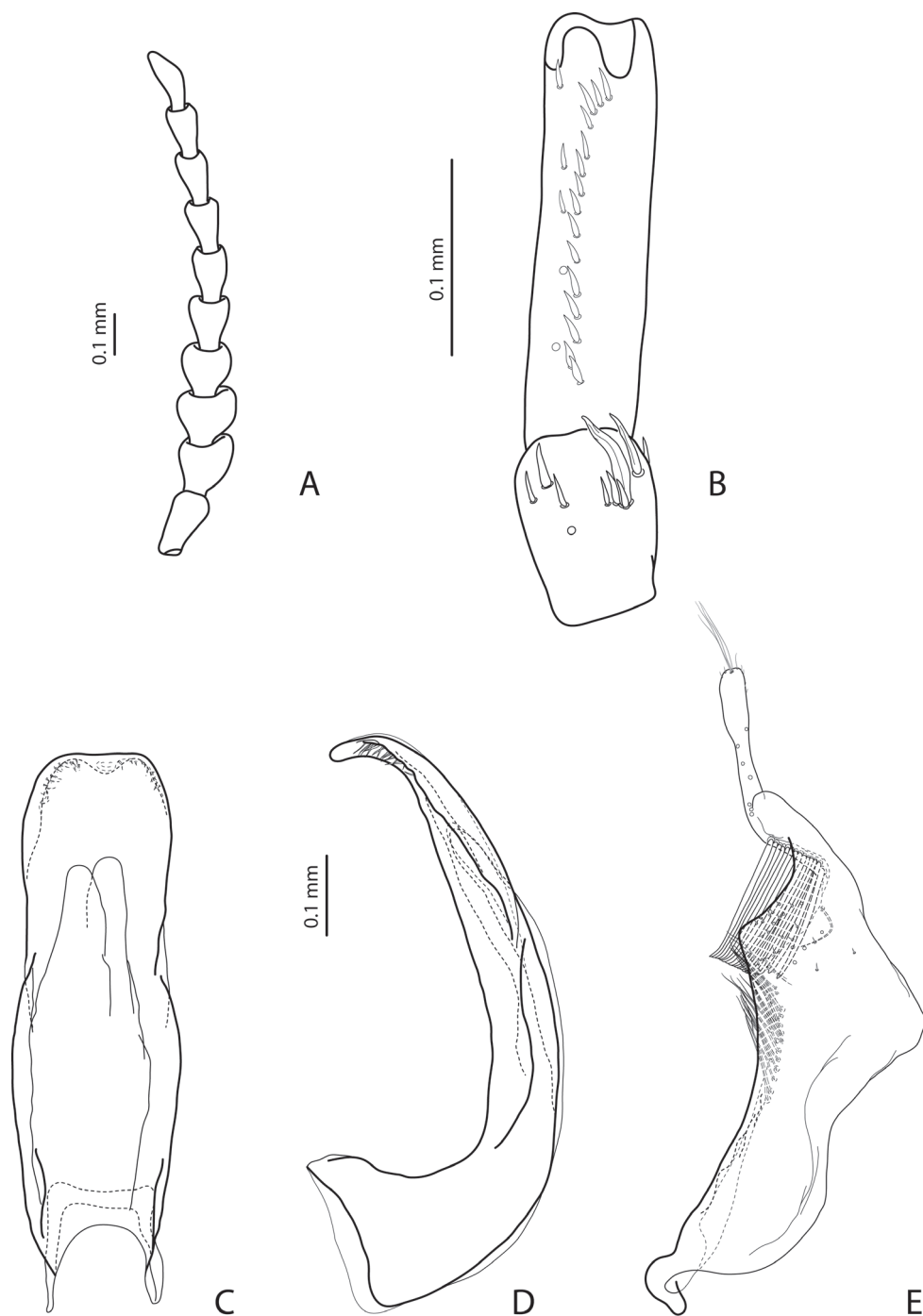


Figure 11. *Exocelina tariensis* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

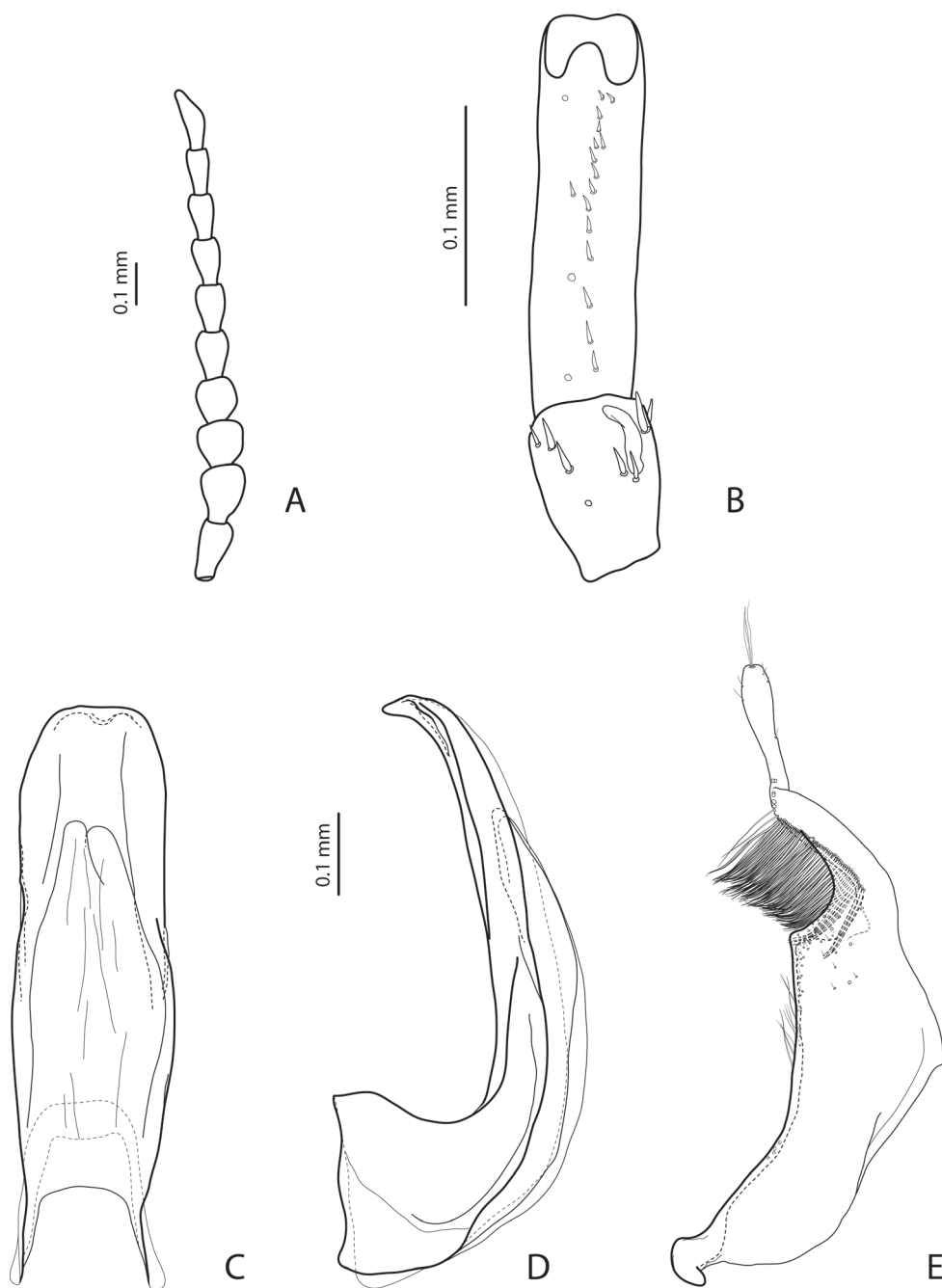


Figure 12. *Exocelina simbaiarea* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

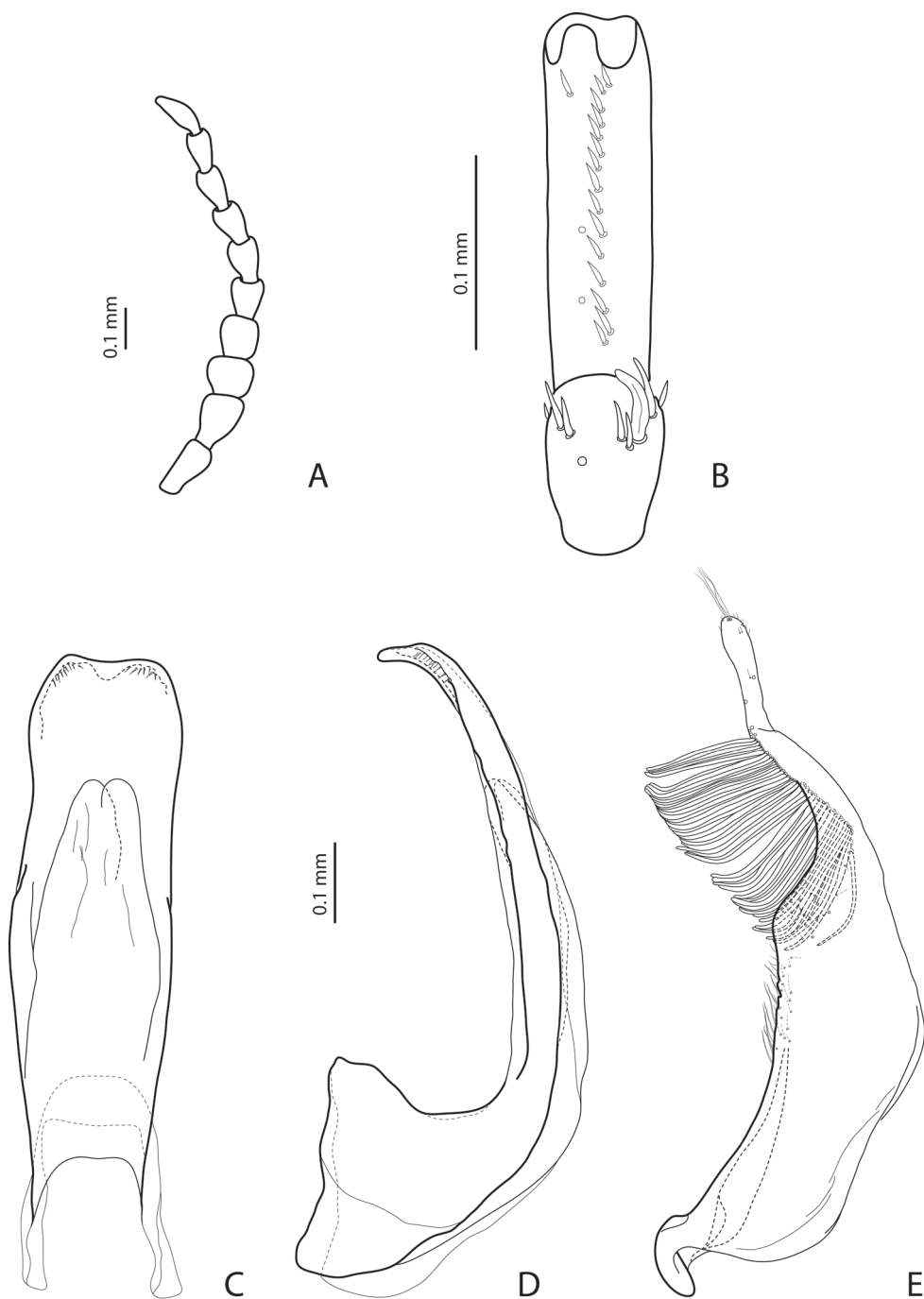


Figure 13. *Exocelina sandaunensis* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

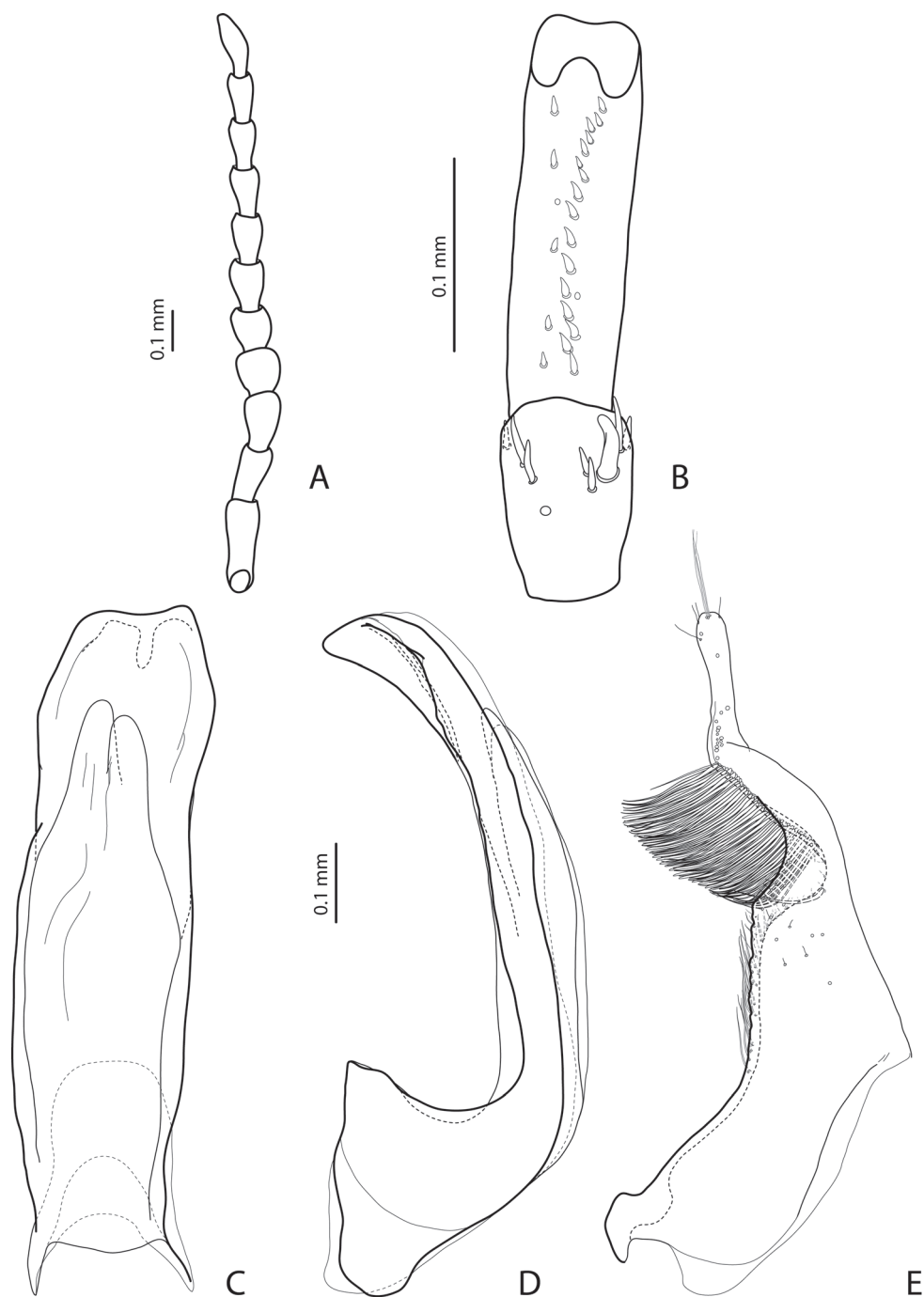


Figure 14. *Exocelina gorokaensis* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

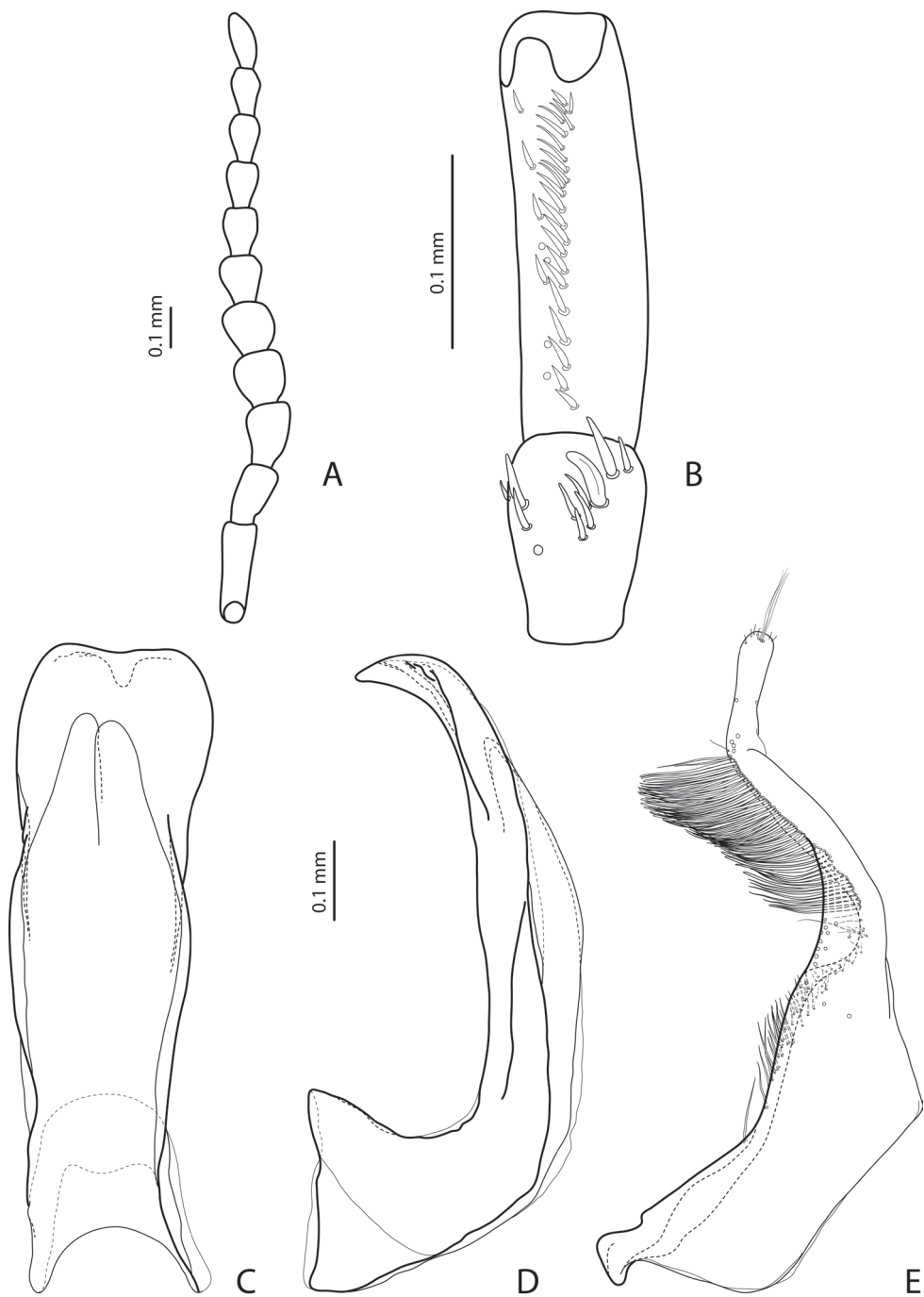


Figure 15. *Exocelina bismarckensis* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

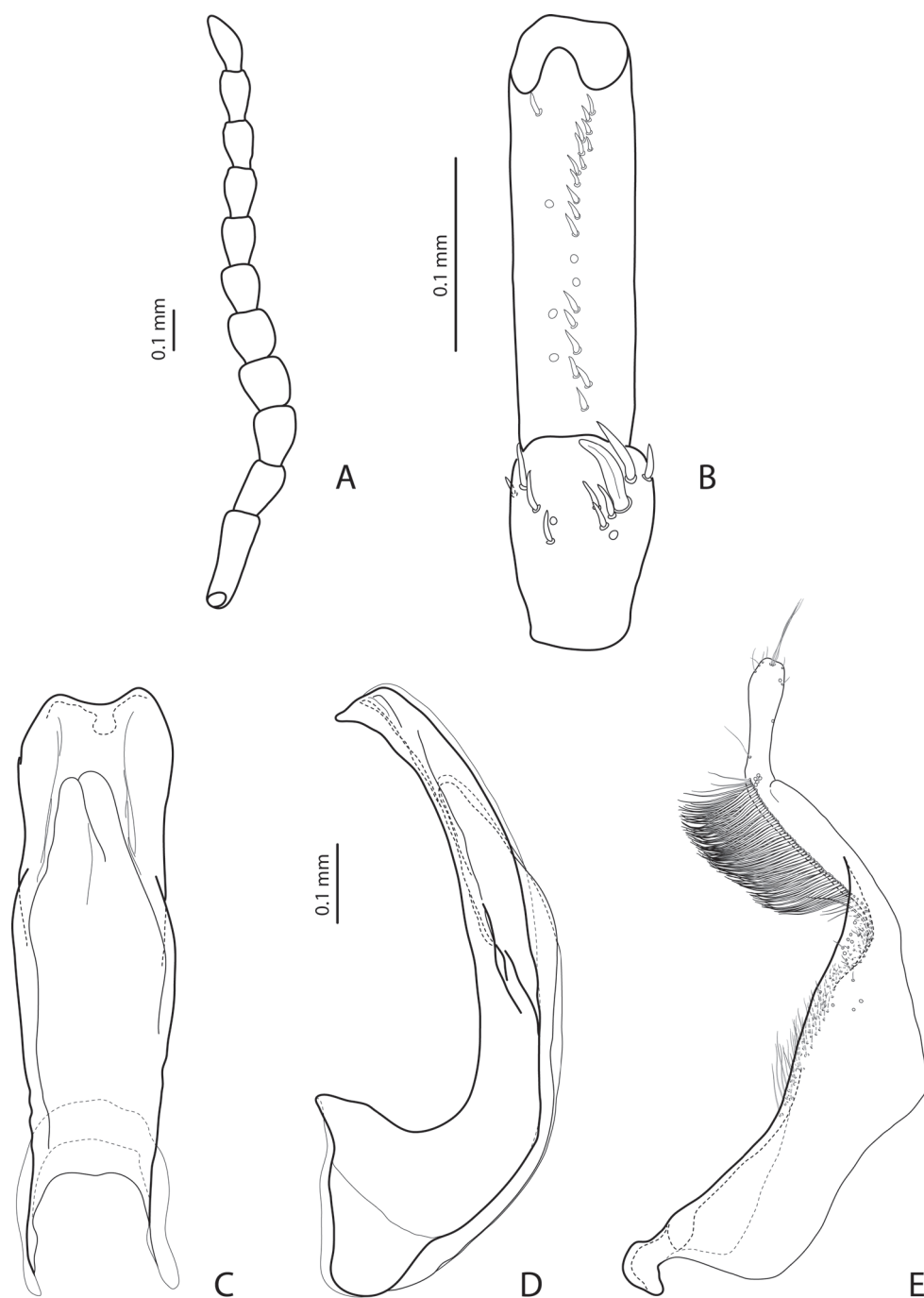


Figure 16. *Exocelina vovai* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

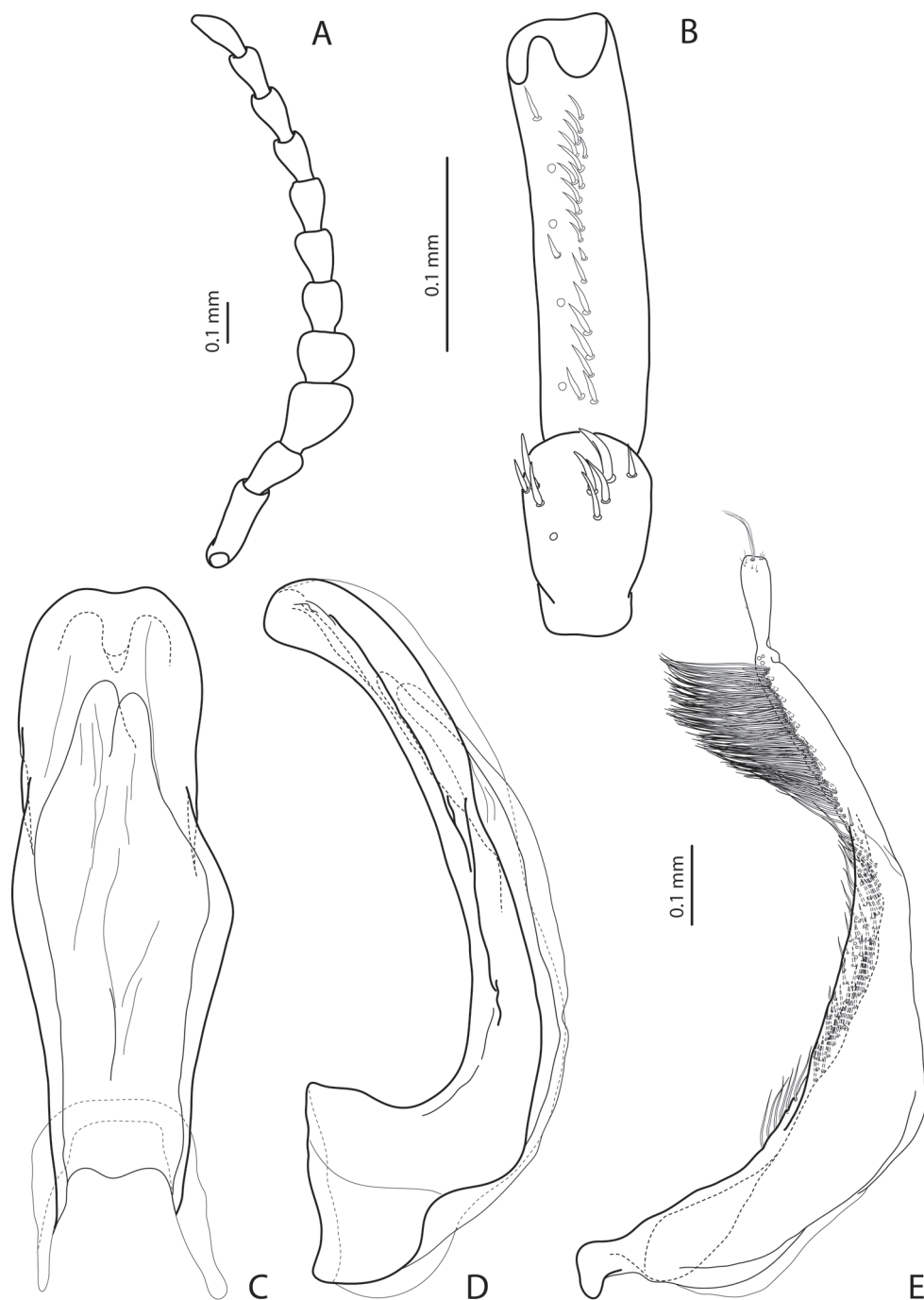


Figure 17. *Exocelina kishi* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

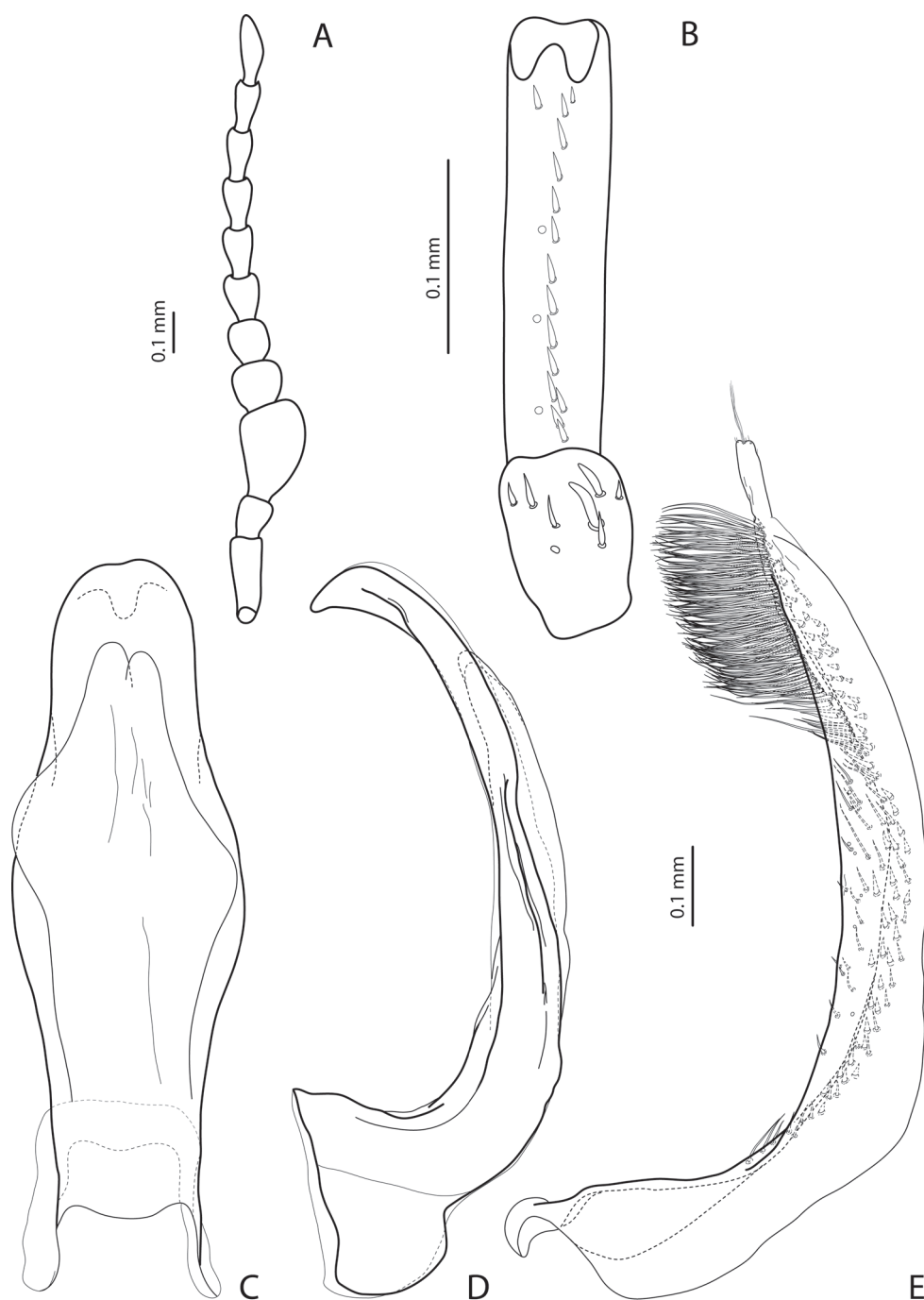
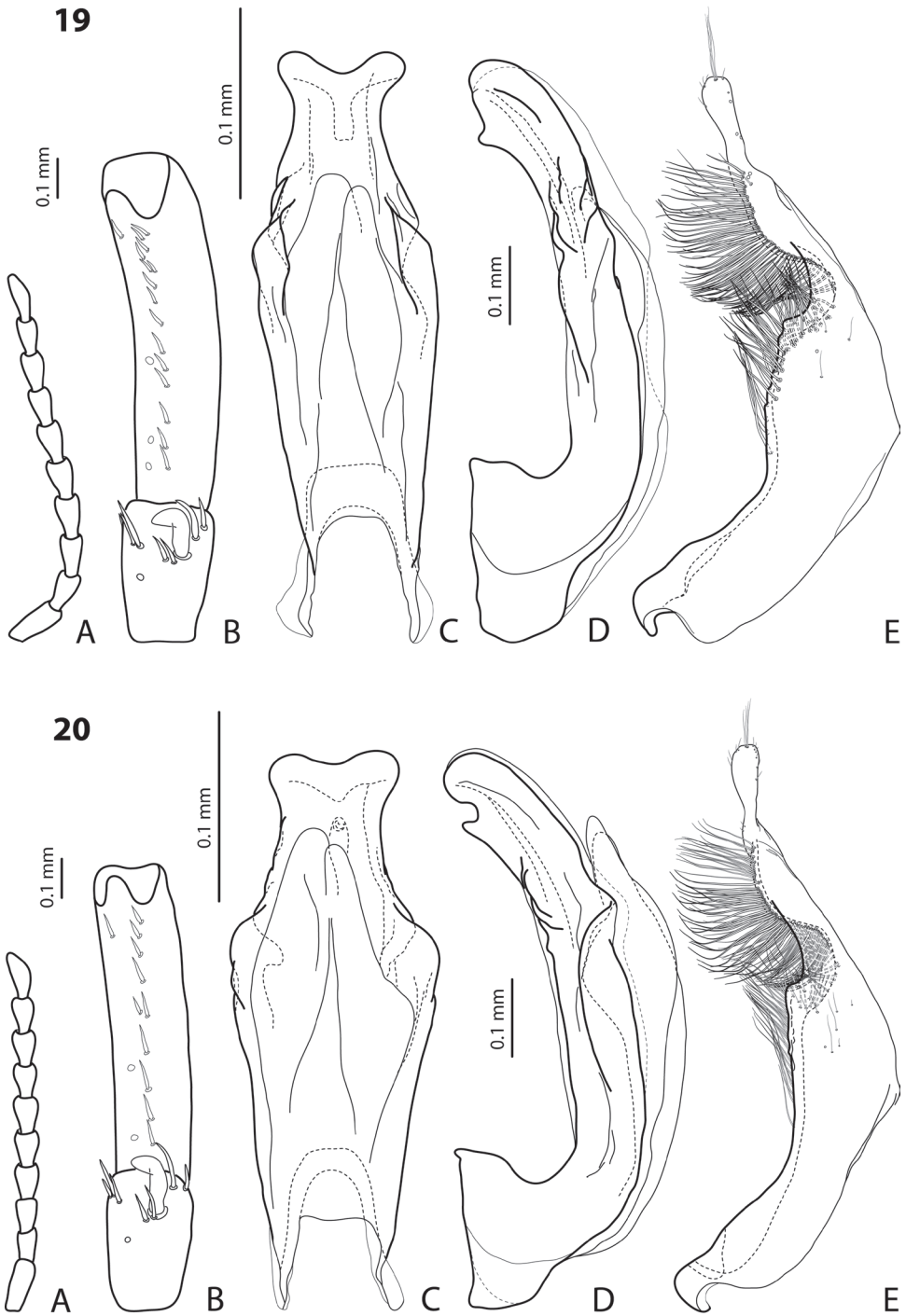


Figure 18. *Exocelina ksionseki* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.



Figures 19, 20. 19 *Exocelina pseudobifida* sp. n. 20 *E. bifida* Shaverdo, Hendrich & Balke, 2012 from Sandaun Province, Papua New Guinea **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

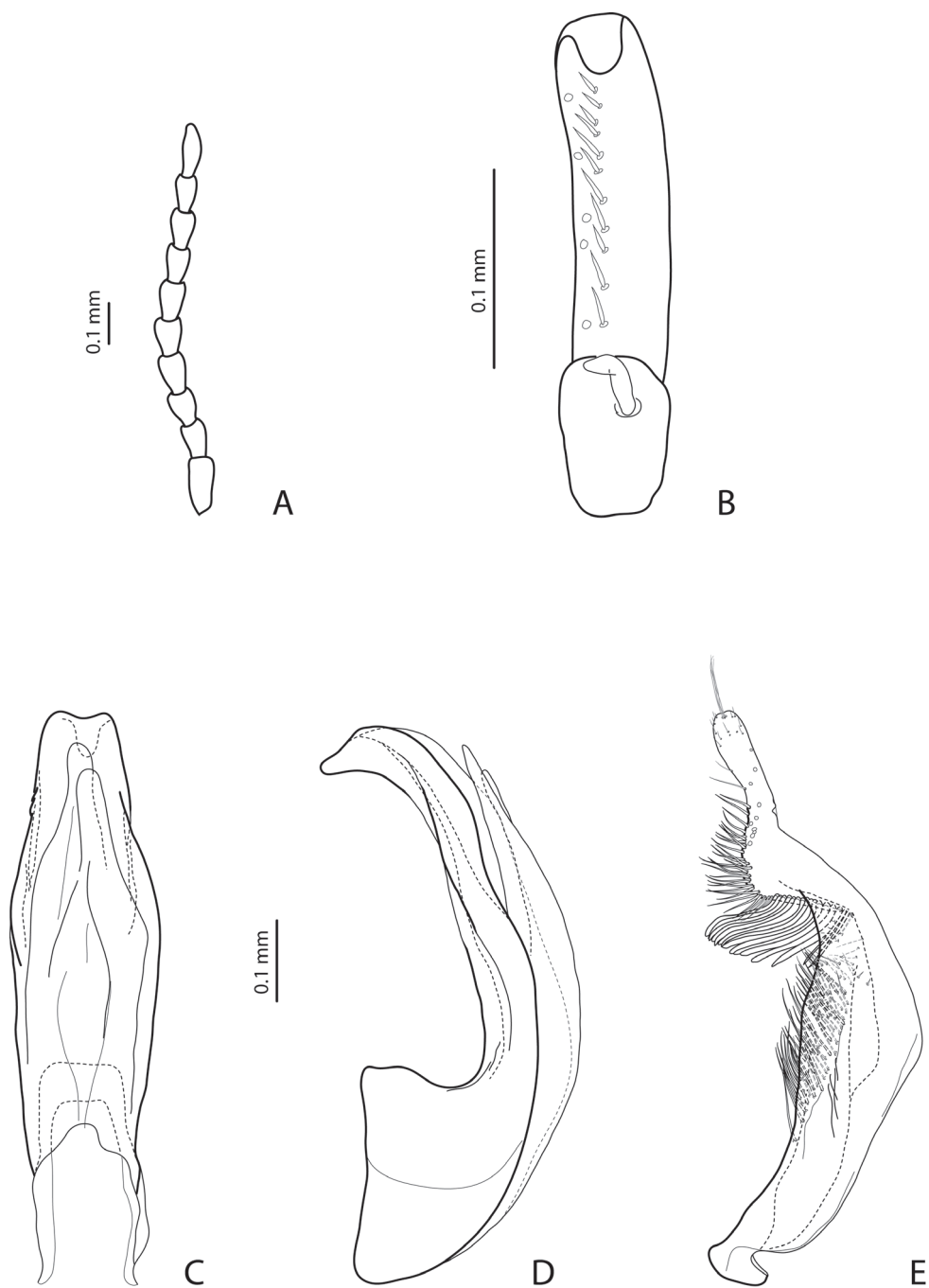
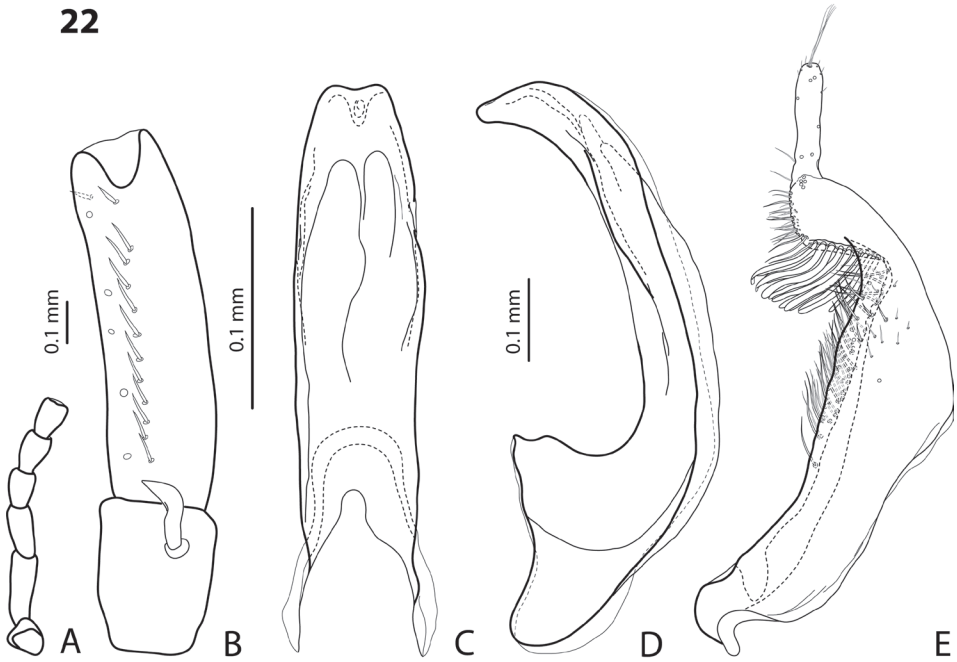
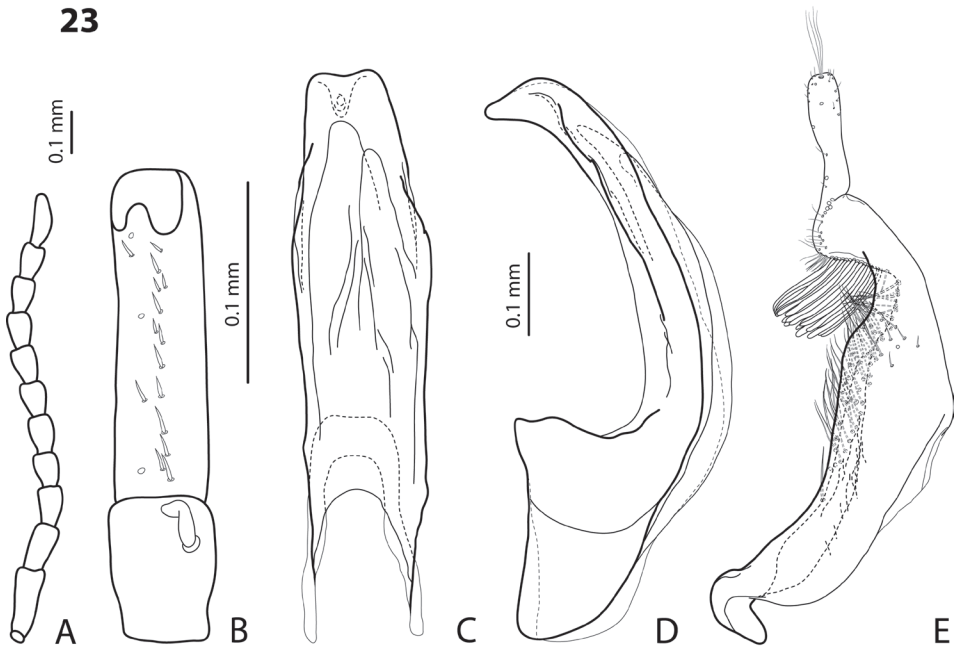
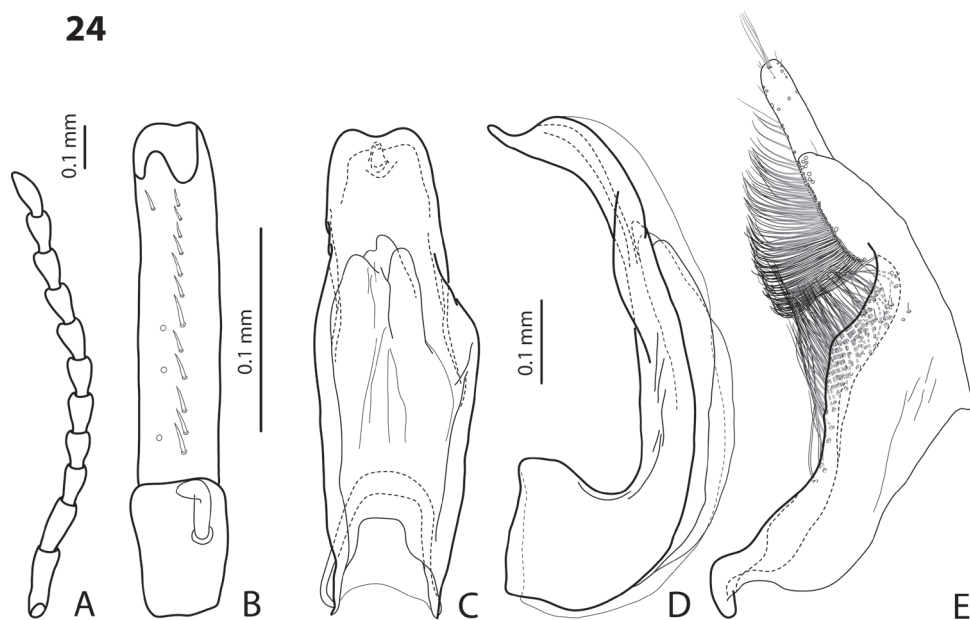
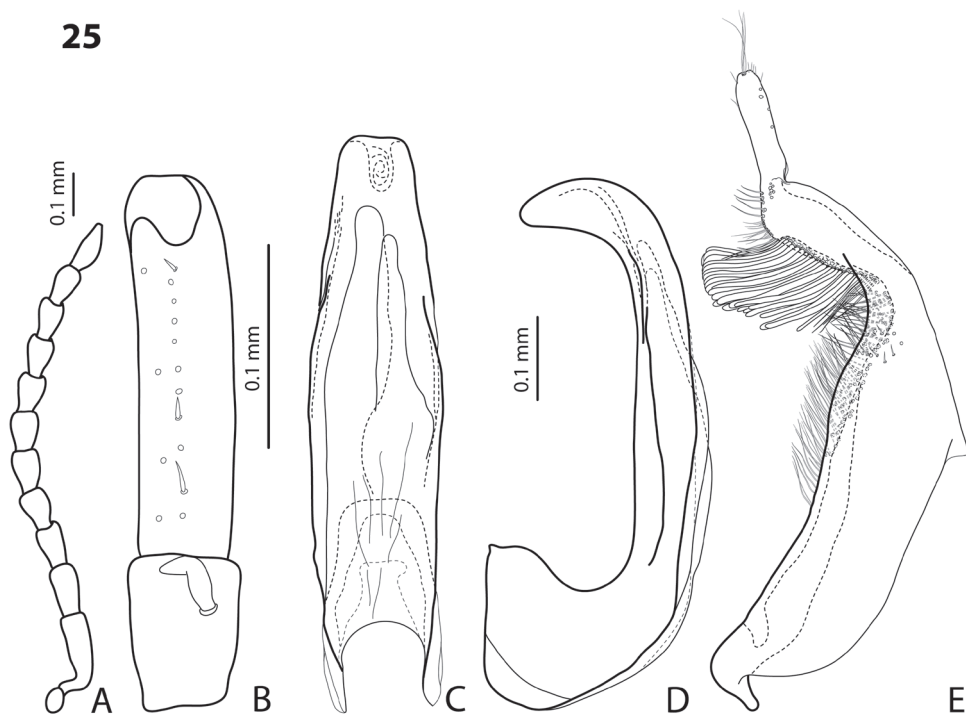


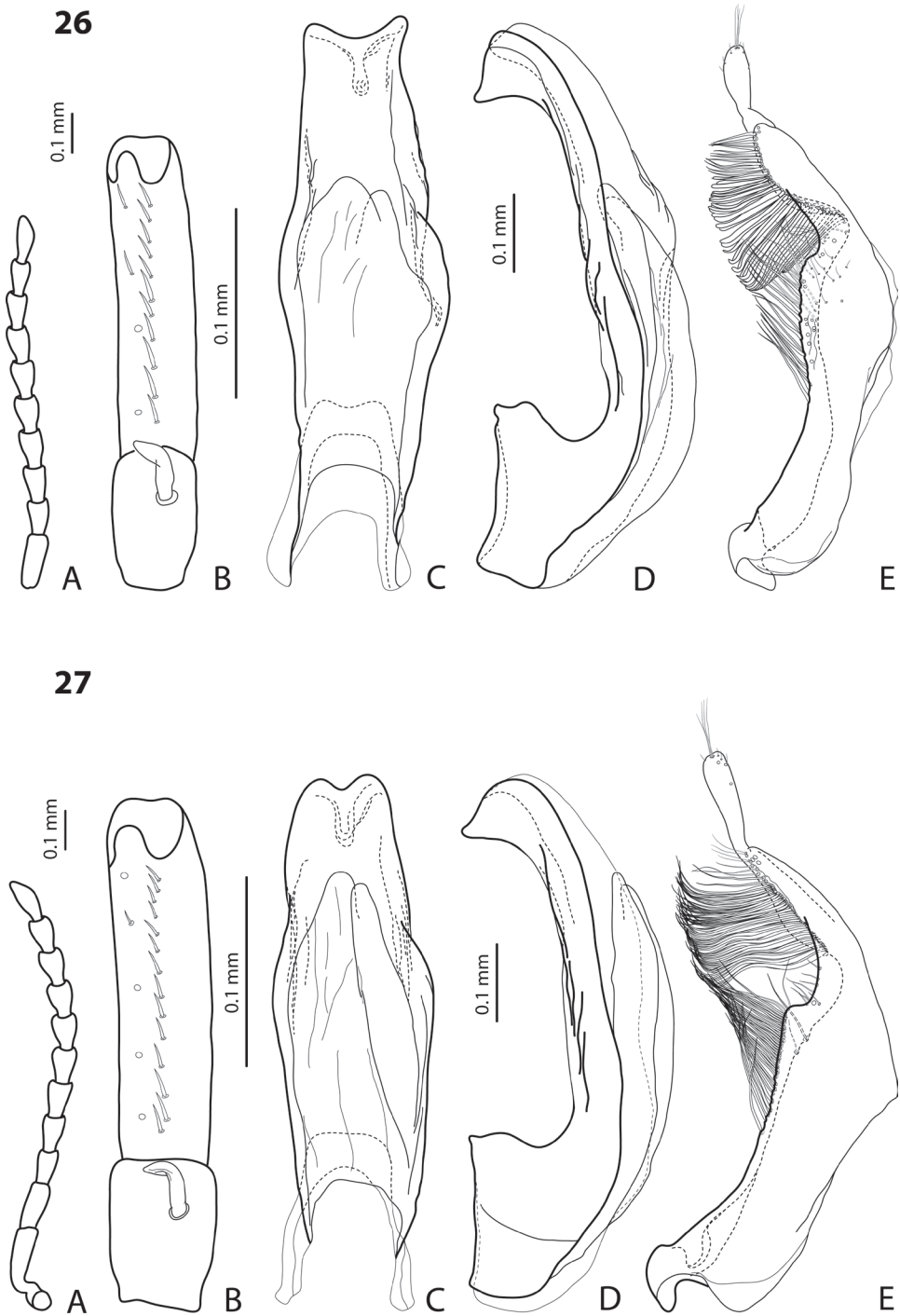
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Figures 22, 23. **22** *Exocelina bewaniensis* sp. n. from Noiadi, Mamberamo Raya Regency, Papua Province, Indonesia **23** *E. bewaniensis* sp. n. from Nabire-Enarotali, Nabire/Paniai Regencies, Papua Province, Indonesia **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.

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Figures 24, 25. 24 *Exocelina pinocchio* sp. n. 25 *E. mantembu* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.



Figures 26, 27. 26 *Exocelina lembena* sp. n. 27 *E. pseudoeme* sp. n. **A** male antenna **B** male protarsomeres 4–5 in ventral view **C** median lobe in ventral view **D** median lobe in lateral view **E** paramere in external view.



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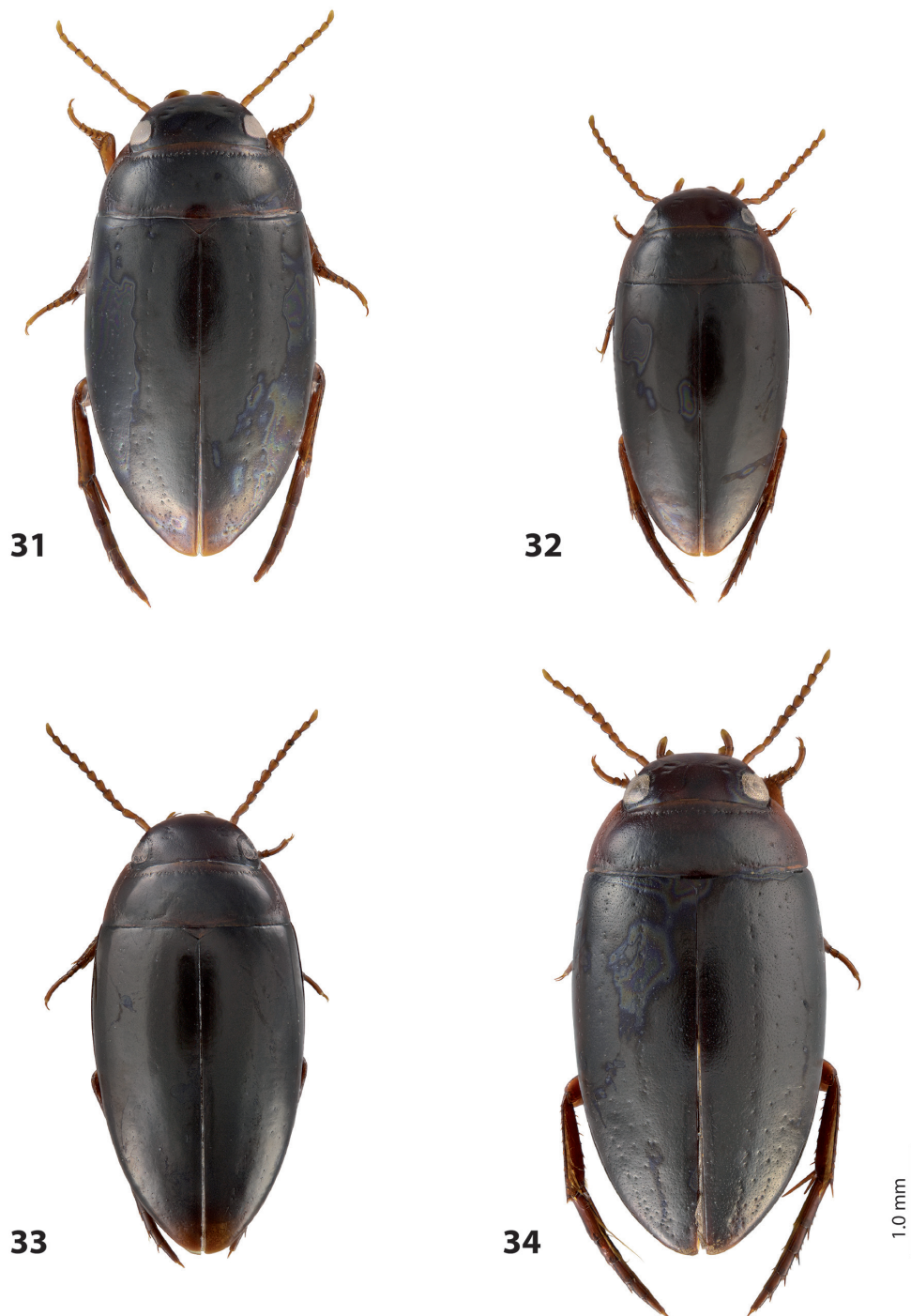
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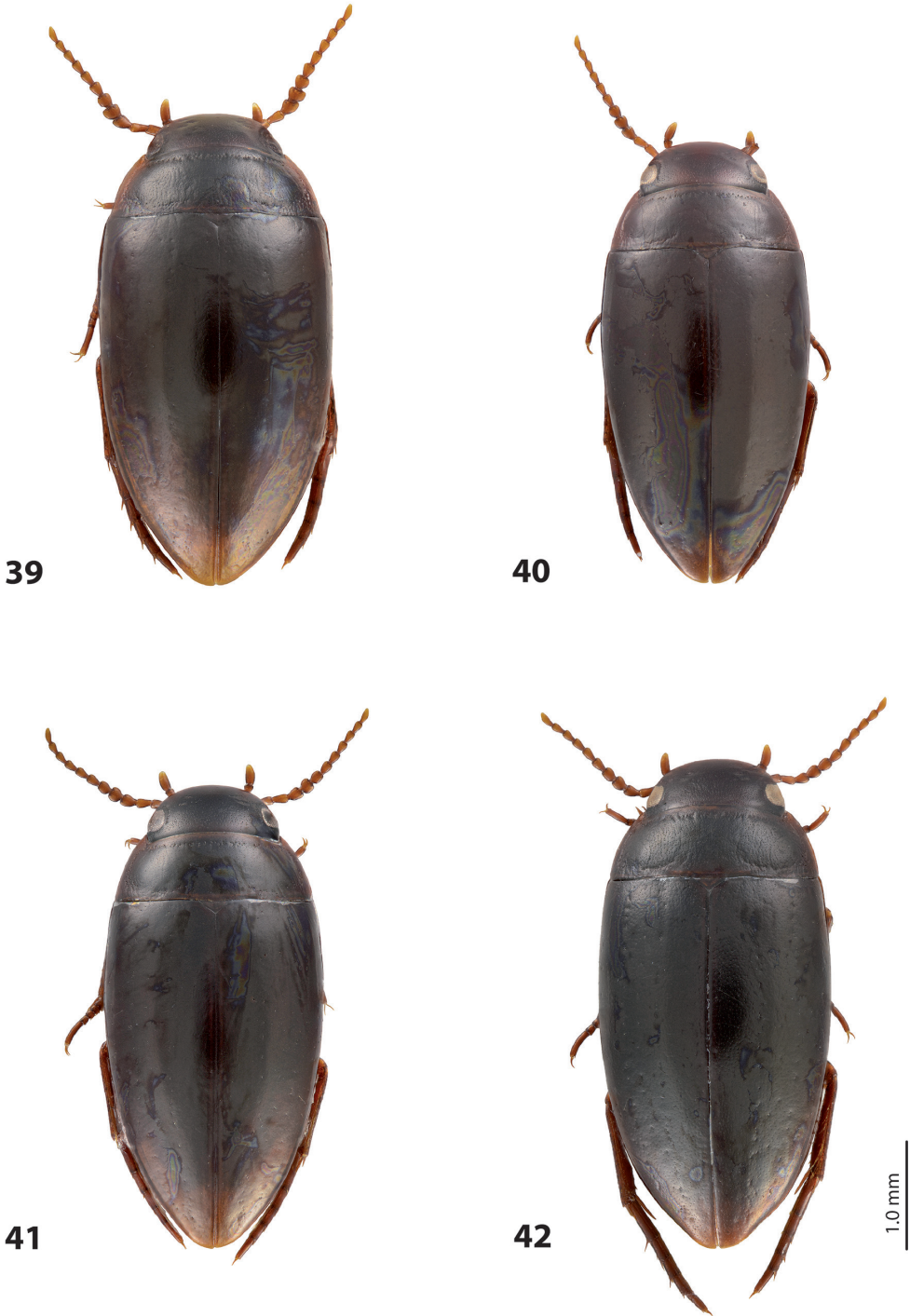
Figures 28–30. Habitus and coloration. **28** *Exocelina skalei* sp. n. **29** *E. vladimiri* (Shaverdo, Sagata & Balke, 2005) **30** *E. pseudoastrophallus* sp. n.



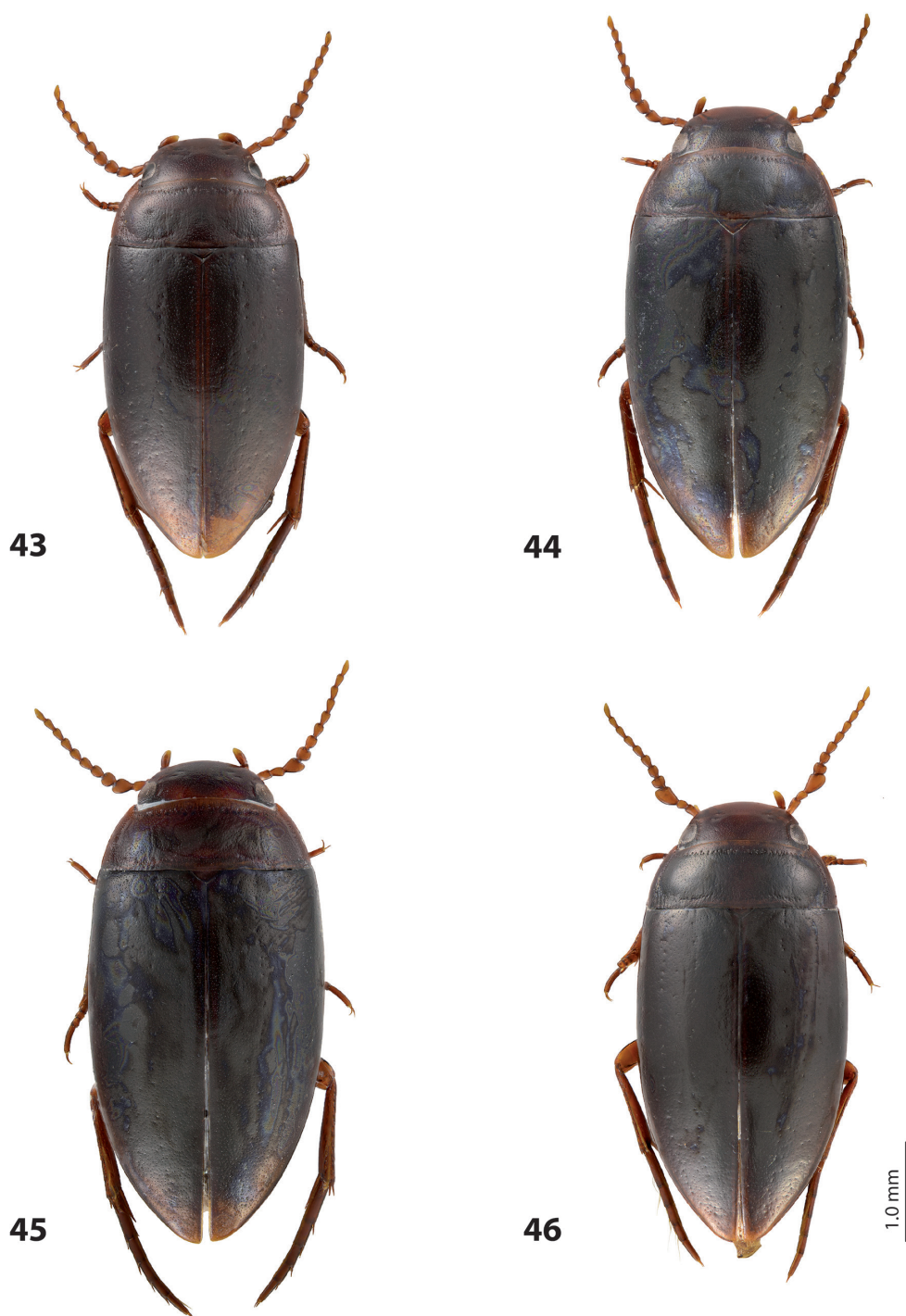
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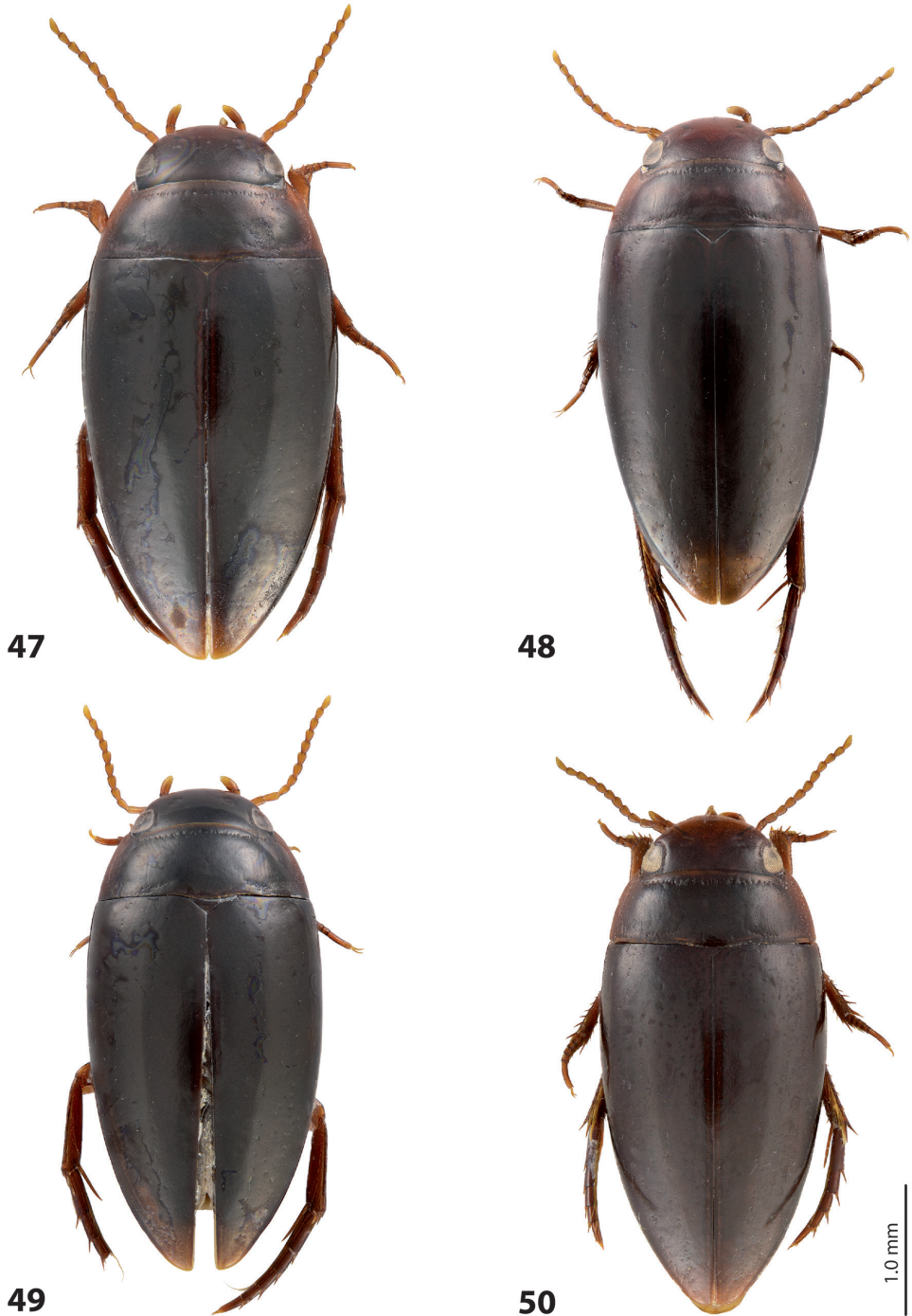
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Figures 39–42. Habitus and coloration. **39** *Exocelina tariensis* sp. n. **40** *E. simbaiarea* sp. n. **41** *E. sandaunensis* sp. n. **42** *E. gorokaensis* sp. n.



Figures 43–46. Habitus and coloration. **43** *Exocelina bismarckensis* sp. n. **44** *E. vovai* sp. n. **45** *E. kisli* sp. n. **46** *E. ksionseki* sp. n.



Figures 47–50. Habitus and coloration. **47** *Exocelina pseudobifida* sp. n. **48** *E. pinocchio* sp. n. **49** *E. bewaniensis* sp. n. **50** *E. mantembu* sp. n.



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Figures 51, 52. Habitus and coloration. **51** *Exocelina lembena* sp. n. **52** *E. pseudoeme* sp. n.

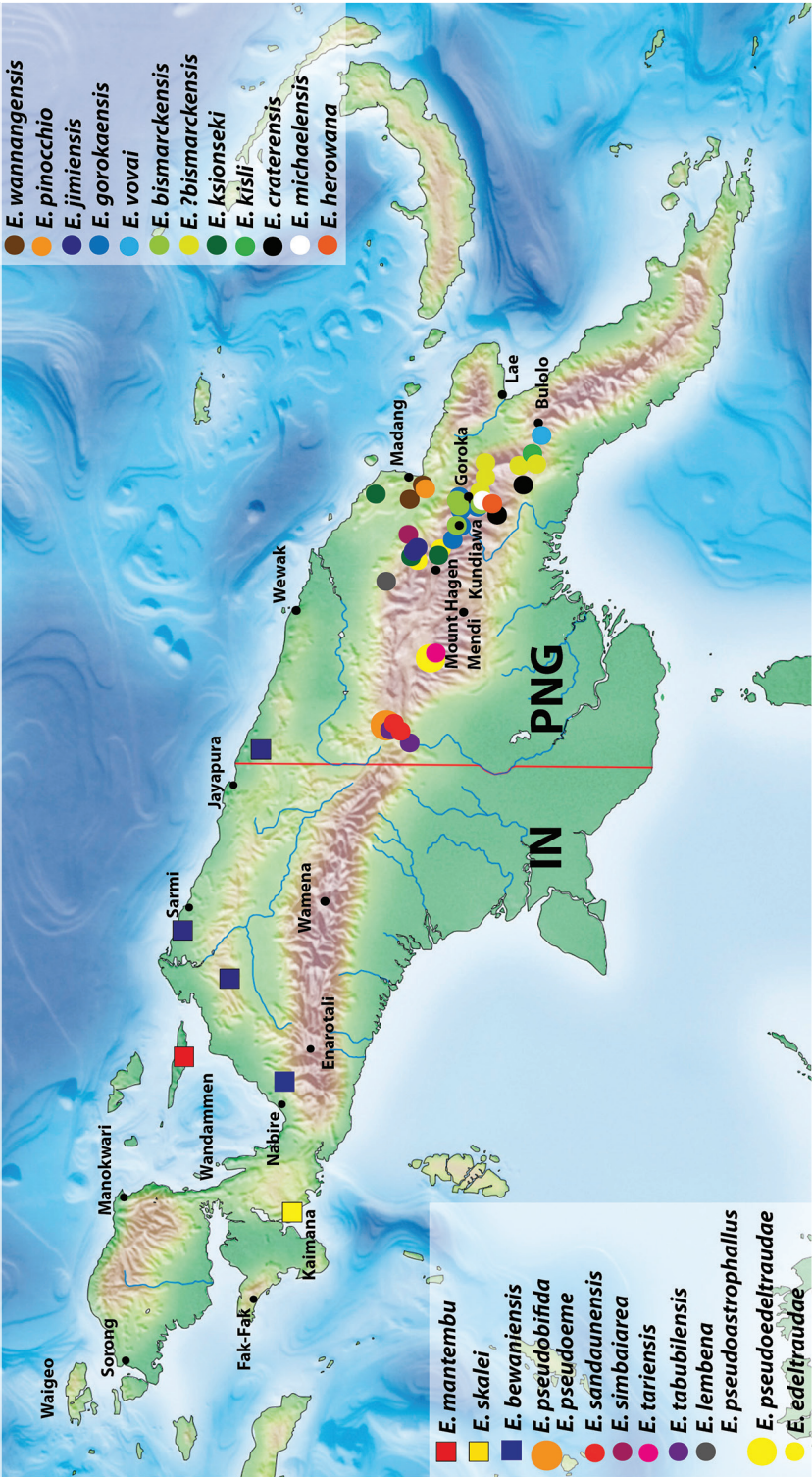


Figure 53. Map of New Guinea showing distribution of species of the *Exocelina ekari*-group treated herein.



Figure 54. Type locality of the *Exocelina skalei* sp. n.: Indonesia, West Papua Province, Kaimana Regency, near Kamaka Village; photo by A. Skale.

Habitats

Shaverdo et al. (2012) provided a summary of habitats for New Guinea *Exocelina* species. All the species with only one exception (Shaverdo et al. 2013) are running water associated, but avoid the current, i.e., preferred microhabitats are small, quiet backflows, tiny puddles at the edge of streams and creeks, rock holes filled with water (Fig. 54), and other similar situations. Further information was provided in this wiki site: http://zsm-entomology.de/w/index.php?title=Coleoptera_Fieldwork&oldid=862

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A new *Heracles* swallowtail (Lepidoptera, Papilionidae) from North America is recognized by the pattern on its neck

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Abstract

Heracles rumiko Shiraiwa & Grishin, **sp. n.** is described from southwestern United States, Mexico, and Central America (type locality: USA, Texas, Duval County). It is closely allied to *H. cresphontes* (Cramer, 1777) and the two species are sympatric in central Texas. The new species is diagnosed by male genitalia and exhibits a nearly 3% difference from *H. cresphontes* in the COI DNA barcode sequence of mitochondrial DNA. The two *Heracles* species can usually be told apart by the shape and size of yellow spots on the neck, by the wing shape, and the details of wing patterns. “Western Giant Swallowtail” is proposed as the English name for *H. rumiko*. To stabilize nomenclature, **neotype** for *Papilio cresphontes* Cramer, 1777, an eastern United States species, is designated from Brooklyn, New York, USA; and lectotype for *Papilio thoas* Linnaeus, 1771 is designated from Suriname. We sequenced DNA barcodes and ID tags of nearly 400 Papilionini specimens completing coverage of all *Heracles* species. Comparative analyses of DNA barcodes, genitalia, and facies suggest that *Heracles oviedo* (Gundlach, 1866), **reinstated status**, is a species-level taxon rather than a subspecies of *H. thoas* (Linnaeus, 1771); and *H. pallas* (G. Gray, [1853]), **reinstated status**, with its subspecies *H. p. bajaensis* (J. Brown & Faulkner, 1992), **comb. n.**, and *Heracles anchicayaensis* Constantino, Le Crom & Salazar, 2002, **stat. n.**, are not conspecific with *H. astyalus* (Godart, 1819).

Keywords

Biodiversity, cryptic species, DNA barcodes, Neotropical, *Heracles homothoas*, *Heracles melonius*, butterfly release, APHIS

Introduction

Swallowtails (Papilionidae Latreille, [1802]) are arguably the best-known and best-studied butterflies due to their large size, dazzling colors, and elegant shapes. Despite significant research efforts, the family is still plagued with taxonomic difficulties and is rich in evolutionary puzzles (Zakharov et al. 2004, Kawahara and Breinholt 2014). From the origins of mimicry to speciation through hybridization, swallowtails are becoming a model group for evolutionary biology and genomics (Kunte et al. 2011, Zhang et al. 2013, Kunte et al. 2014). Groundbreaking work of Rothschild and Jordan (1906) established the foundation for the classification and future studies of Neotropical Swallowtails. Pioneering molecular studies by Sperling's group shed light on their phylogeny and speciation, and revealed unsuspected complexities in relationships within the family (Sperling and Harrison 1994, Caterino and Sperling 1999, Zakharov et al. 2004, Simonsen et al. 2011). Tyler, Brown and Wilson (1994) summarized the knowledge on American Papilionidae in an amazingly instructive and compact volume. Nevertheless, the family is continuing to surprise us with its complexity and nuances (Lewis et al. 2014).

A multifaceted pattern of speciation resulted in 7 or 8 species of tiger swallowtails (*Pterourus glaucus* group) in North America (Kunte et al. 2011, Warren et al. 2014). The most remarkable of recent discoveries was the description of *Pt. appalachiensis* Pavulaan & D. Wright, 2002, which is a hybrid species recently originated through gene exchange between *Pt. canadensis* (Rothschild & Jordan, 1906) and *Pt. glaucus* (Linnaeus, 1758) (Pavulaan and Wright 2002, Kunte et al. 2011, Zhang et al. 2013). *Pt. canadensis* was originally proposed as a subspecies of *Pt. glaucus*, but is treated today as a biologically distinct species differentiated from *Pt. glaucus* about 600,000 years ago (Zhang et al. 2013). While the two species can hybridize over the narrow zone where they meet, they show significant divergence in a number of characters, both in genotype and phenotype (Hagen et al. 1991, Ording 2008, Ording et al. 2009, Winter and Porter 2010, Kunte et al. 2011, Zhang et al. 2013).

The Giant Swallowtails (*Heraclides cresphontes* group sensu Fig. 15, see below for more detailed definition) has received less attention. Currently treated as three species: *H. cresphontes* (Cramer, 1777) distributed from Canada to Panama; *H. homothoas* (Rothschild & Jordan, 1906) recorded from Costa Rica to Venezuela and Trinidad; and *H. melonius* (Rothschild & Jordan, 1906), a Jamaican endemic, these butterflies are closely related to *H. thoas* (Linnaeus, 1771) with its seven described subspecies ranging from Texas and Cuba to Uruguay and Argentina, and *H. paeon* (Boisduval, 1836), consisting of three named subspecies known from Yucatan to Chile and Bolivia (Tyler et al. 1994, Lamas 2004, Warren et al. 2014). In agreement with Lewis et al. (2014), we find that the Greater Antilles endemics *H. aristor* (Godart, 1819) and *H. caiguanabus* (Poey, [1852]) are closely allied to the above-mentioned species, despite their striking difference in appearance due to the lack of a central band on their wings.

In 2005, KS collected several specimens of *H. cresphontes* on lantana flowers near an orange orchard grove in Pauma Valley, San Diego County, California. Comparison

with *H. cresphontes* specimens from Silver Lake, Kosciusko County, Indiana revealed wing pattern differences between California and Indiana populations. Several years ago, with the accumulation of COI DNA barcode sequences in databases, NVG noticed that the only available sequence of *H. cresphontes* from northeastern USA (Carterino and Sperling 1999) differed by about 3% from *H. cresphontes* sequences from Costa Rica (Ratnasingham and Hebert 2007). While provoking, it was unclear how DNA sequences vary with large geographic distances. These anecdotal observations prompted further investigation. Dissection of male genitalia of *H. cresphontes* from across its range revealed two groups consistent with pattern differences. Eastern *H. cresphontes* differed from southwestern ones. DNA barcode sequences of 200 *H. cresphontes* specimens from Canada to Panama and from California to Florida also fell in two sequence groups: the eastern and the southwestern haplotypes. There was very little variation within each haplotype group, but a 3% difference between the groups. Both haplotypes were present in central Texas. These results on correlation between genitalia, patterns and DNA barcodes suggested that the butterfly known as *H. cresphontes* is a complex of two cryptic species, one of which was unnamed and is described herein.

Materials and methods

Specimens used in this study were collected in the field under the permit #08-02Rev from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to NVG, or examined in the following collections: Texas A&M University Collection, College Station, TX, USA (TAMU); University of Texas at Austin Insect Collection, Austin, TX, USA (TMMC); National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, USA (USNM); Colorado State University Collection, Fort Collins, CO, USA (CSUC); The Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, IL, USA (FMNH); American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, USA (AMNH); McGuire Center for Lepidoptera and Biodiversity, Gainesville, FL, USA (MGCL); San Diego Natural History Museum, San Diego, CA, USA (SDMC); and Los Angeles County Natural History Museum, Los Angeles, CA, USA (LACM) and several private collections. Standard entomological techniques were used for dissection (Robbins 1991), i.e., the abdomen or its distal part was broken off, soaked for 40 minutes (or until cleared) in 10% KOH at 60°C, dissected, and subsequently stored in a small glycerol-filled vial on the pin under the specimen. Genitalia and wing venation terminology follows Miller (1987) and Lewis (2010). Length measurements are in metric units and were made from photographs of specimens taken with a scale and magnified on a computer screen. Photographs of immature stages and specimens were taken with a Nikon D800 camera through a 105 mm f/2.8G AF-S VR Micro-Nikkor lens; dissected genitalia were photographed in glycerol with a Nikon D80 through 105 mm f/2.8G AF-S VR Micro-Nikkor lens and Nikon D200 camera without a lens and through microscopes at 1.5×–3× magnification. Images were assembled and edited in Photoshop CS5.1. Genitalic photographs were taken in several focus slices and stacked in Photoshop and Zerene Stacker to increase depth of field.

Legs (cut with scissors into tiny pieces in lysis buffer), crumbs and pieces of muscle tissue from the thorax of dissected specimens (plucked from the abdomen attachment site), or a distal part of an abdomen (dropped into lysis buffer, and after overnight incubation at 56°C transferred into 10% KOH for genitalia dissection) were used to extract genomic DNA with Macherey-Nagel (MN) NucleoSpin® tissue kit following the manufacturers protocol. The lysis buffer volume was scaled down to 70 µl for legs and volumes of subsequent reagents were proportionally reduced. Genomic DNA was eluted in a total volume of 40–100 µl MN BE buffer (concentration of DNA as measured by Promega QuantiFluor® dsDNA System was from near 0 to 20 ng/µl, mostly around 1 ng/µl, depending on specimen age and storage conditions) and was stored at -20°C.

PCR was performed using Invitrogen AmpliTaq Gold 360 master mix in a 20 µl total volume containing less than 1 ng of template DNA (usually 0.5–1 µl of DNA extract) and 0.5 µM of each primer. For legs from freshly collected specimens or those preserved in alcohol, the following primers were used to obtain the complete barcode: LepF: 5'-TGTAACGACGGCCAGTATTCAACCAATCATAAAGATATTGG-3' and LepR: 5'-CAGGAAACAGCTATGACCTAACTTCTGGATGTCCAAAAATCA-3'. For older specimens (up to 1960) the following pairs of primers were used: swtl-COIF (forward, 5'-TTATTCAACAAATCATAAAGATATCGGA-3') – swtl-mCOIR (reverse, 5'-GTTCCCKGCYCCATTTTCTAC-3'), or sCOIF (forward, 5'-ATTCAACCAATCATAAAGATATTGG-3') – smCOIR (reverse, 5'-CCTGTTCCAGCTCCATTTTC-3'), and swtl-mCOIF (forward, 5'-GACTTTTACCCCTTCTCTAACTC-3') – swtl-COIR (reverse, 5'-AAAATATAAACTTCAGGATGTCCAAA-3'), to amplify the barcode in two overlapping segments.

The barcodes of even older specimens (1900–1960) were amplified in four overlapping segments with the following four pairs of *Heracleides*-specific primers: paeon-COIF (forward, 5'-TCAACAAATCATAAAGATATCGGAAC-3') – swtl-bCOIR (reverse, 5'-AATCAATTTCCAAATCCTCCAA-3'), swtl-bCOIF (forward, 5'-CCGGCTCATTAATTGGAGATG-3') – swtl-mCOIR (reverse, 5'-CTGTTCKKCTYCCATTTTCTAC-3'), swtl-mCOIF2 (forward, 5'-TTTTGACTTTTACCCCCTTCTCTAA-3') – swtl-eCOIR (reverse, 5'-CCTACGGCTCAAACAAATAAAGG-3'), and swtl-eCOIF (forward, 5'-TTCCTCAATTCTTGGRGCAATTA-3') – swtl-COIR2 (reverse, 5'-AAAATATAAACTTCAGGATGTCCAAAA-3'). In case of failure, additional primers that match target sequences better were used, as specified in GenBank entries for these sequences (KP173713–KP174107) and barcodes were amplified in more than 4 segments.

For some old specimens (e.g., 1870–1960), amplification of longer DNA segments failed. To obtain their sequences for identification, we developed *Heracleides*-specific primers for very short, about 100 bp fragments, which we call ID tags. A region in which the two USA *Heracleides* species differ from each other the most, was selected and the following primers were designed: swtl-ID1F (forward, 5'-TGAGCAAGAATAC-TAGGAAGTTCTCTTA-3') – swtl-ID1R (reverse, 5'-AATAAAGCATGAGCTG-TAACAATAGTA-3') to amplify 64 bp sequence from the specimen (together with both primers, the actual product is 120 bp).

The PCR reaction was cleaned up by enzymatic digestion for the whole barcode amplifications, ID tag amplification, and sequences amplified in more than 2 segments, with 4 µl Shrimp Alkaline Phosphatase (20 U/µl) and 1 ul Exonuclease I (1 U/µl) from New England Biolabs. For sequences obtained in two segments, due to the frequent presence of primer dimers and other short non-specific PCR products, Agen-court Ampure XP beads or Invitrogen E-Gel® EX Agarose Gels (followed by Zymo gel DNA recovery kit) were used to select the DNA products of expected length. Sequences were obtained using the M13 primers (for amplification from LepF and LepR primers): 5'-TGTAACACGACGGCCAGT-3' or 5'-CAGGAAACAGCTATGACC-3' or with primers used in PCR. Sanger sequencing was performed with Applied Biosystems Big Dye Terminator 3.1 kit on ABI capillary instrument in the DNA Sequencing Core Facility of the McDermott Center at UT Southwestern. The resulting sequence traces were proofread in FinchTV <<http://www.geospiza.com/Products/finchtv.shtml>>.

As a result, we obtained complete or partial DNA barcode sequences from 395 Papilionini specimens. Sequences and accompanying specimen data were submitted to GenBank and received accession numbers KP173713–KP174107. Data about these specimens are provided in Suppl. material 1.

Additional DNA sequences for analysis were downloaded from GenBank <<http://genbank.gov/>> (Benson et al. 2014) using accession numbers provided in Lewis et al. (2014) or were found by BLAST <<http://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/>> searches (Altschul et al. 1990) using sequences obtained by us to query “nr/nt” database, or from the BOLD database <<http://boldsystems.org/>> (Ratnasingham and Hebert 2007). All sequences were aligned manually since they matched throughout their length without insertions or deletions. For a quick reference, Phylogeny.fr server at <<http://www.phylogeny.fr/>> was used with the Hamming distance model (Dereeper et al. 2008) to compute evolutionary distances from aligned DNA sequences and BioNJ (Gascuel 1997) algorithm to build dendrograms. A more thorough analysis was performed on DNA alignments using an elaborate comparative protocol involving a battery of methods and locally installed programs. In the analysis, because there are no insertions or deletions in the barcodes of butterflies, gaps (e.g., missing or ambiguous base pairs, including terminal ones) were treated as missing characters. TNT (version 1.1, available with the sponsorship of the Willi Hennig Society) was used for Maximum parsimony reconstruction (Goloboff et al. 2008). “New technology search” algorithm was used with Sect. Search, Ratchet (10 iterations), Drift (10 cycles), and Tree Fusing options enabled. Both Bremer support (Bremer 1994) and Bootstrap values were computed and mapped on the trees with TNT. Maximum Likelihood analysis was performed using RAxML (version 7.0.4) under several substitution models, such as GTRCAT, GTRGAMMA, and GTRGAMMAI (Stamatakis 2006). Rapid RAxML bootstrap values (-x option, and “-f a” for complete analysis) were computed to judge about the confidence of tree nodes. Bayesian Inference was performed with MrBayes v3.2.1 (Huelsenbeck and Ronquist 2001, Ronquist and Huelsenbeck 2003). Models with 1, 2 and 6 states were used (nst=1, 2, 6), with optimized fraction of invariant positions (propinv), gamma distribution parameter (gamma) or both (invgamma).

The COI alignment was treated as a single partition, or analyzed as 3 partitions by codon position. Generations were carried out until convergence (standard deviation of split frequencies less than 0.01) and the first 25% were discarded as “burn in”. Posterior probabilities of nodes computed by MrBayes were used as the indicators of confidence.

Results

Comparison of *H. crespfontes* male genitalia throughout its range from Canada to Panama reveals two groups (Fig. 14). Specimens from the eastern group (Fig. 11B–D) possess shorter and more robust uncus arms. Brachium arms project from the base of uncus on the outer side and are mostly hidden under uncus in dorsal view. In lateral view, uncus and brachium point in the same direction. The bases of uncus and brachium are fused, brachium is stronger sclerotized at the base. Specimens from the southwestern group (Fig. 11b–d) are characterized by longer and more slender uncus arms, often strongly curving inwards. Brachium arms project from the base of uncus on the inner side, and are visible below uncus in dorsal view. In lateral view, uncus and brachium point away from each other: posterodorsad (uncus) and posteroventrad (brachium). The bases of uncus and brachium are weakly fused, with weaker sclerotization at the base of brachium.

Specimens from the eastern North America, from Canada to Florida and central Texas, USA belong to the eastern group. Specimens from other parts of the range from central Texas to California, USA and southwards to Panama belong to the southwestern group. In central Texas, both groups are present. Genitalic differences between groups correlate with the differences in facies (Fig. 11E, facies vs. genitalic differences on the plots). While facies are variable and some exceptions are found, the eastern group specimens have pale-yellow spots on the head, patagia, and thorax (Fig. 11A), but southwestern specimens are characterized by continuous yellow stripes instead (Fig. 11a). Southwestern specimens have generally narrower, less scalloped wings, longer and more slender hindwing tails, and exhibit statistical difference in details of wing patterns, mostly on ventral hindwing.

Correlation between genitalic and facies differences and geographic distribution suggests that we are dealing with two distinct evolutionary lineages diversified sufficiently to be treated as two taxonomic units. However, these units are mostly allopatric and overlap over narrow range in central Texas. Moreover, in the range of overlap, we see specimens with intermediate characters. Therefore, it was not clear whether to regard these taxonomic units as subspecies, or suggest that the divergence between them is sufficient for biological species.

To address this question, we determined COI mitochondrial DNA barcode sequences for 249 *H. crespfontes*-like specimens from over 100 localities covering the entire distribution range from Canada to Panama. The results were surprisingly clear-cut. Each specimen fell into one of the two groups: eastern and southwestern (Figs 17, 18).

Within each group, variability in barcode sequences was very low, within 0.5%, despite the range covering 3,000 miles, and was rather individual than geographic. E.g., specimens from San Diego, California (USA) had the same DNA barcode as those from the Cape region in Baja California Sur (Mexico), Yucatan (Mexico), or near Panama Canal (Panama). Between the two groups, there was a hiatus of nearly 3%.

To put this number in perspective and compare it with divergence in other Papilionini Latreille, [1802], DNA barcode differences between *H. androgeus* (Cramer, 1775) and *H. thersites* (Fabricius, 1775), *Pt. glaucus* (Linnaeus, 1758) and *Pt. canadensis* (Rothschild & Jordan, 1906), and *Papilio polyxenes* Fabricius, 1775 and *P. zelicaon* Lucas, 1852 are 2.9%, 2.1%, and 3.4% respectively. Distances between these species from three Papilionini genera are of the same magnitude as the distance between eastern and southwestern *H. cresphontes* populations. On the other hand, barcode differences between Papilionini taxa regarded as subspecies are usually within 1.5%, and mostly below 1%. Three percent difference in the barcode suggests (April et al. 2013, Papadopoulou et al. 2009, Zhang et al. 2013) that the two *H. cresphontes*-like taxa diverged from each other from one to three million years ago, prior to divergence between *P. glaucus* and *P. canadensis* (about 600,000). Thus, it is likely that eastern and southwestern *H. cresphontes* populations have evolved in isolation long enough to fully speciate. These two species are mostly allopatric, and central plus southeastern Texas is the only region where we find them both.

However, it is conceivable that one of these two barcodes might have evolved not within this species, but could have been introgressed from a different, albeit closely related, species. If that were the case, it is possible that the two *H. cresphontes*-like taxa are not distinct as species, but one simply experienced introgression from a different species. For instance, many individuals of *Erynnis propertius* (Scudder & Burgess, 1870) in California carry DNA barcode of *E. horatius* (Scudder & Burgess, 1870) from eastern USA (Zakharov et al. 2009). To test whether the southwestern *H. cresphontes*-like barcode sequence might have been introgressed from some other *Heraclides* species, instead evolving within *H. cresphontes* populations, we obtained barcode sequences of eight *H. homothoas* and five *H. melonius* specimens from several localities (Suppl. material 1). These two taxa are from the same species group of Giant Swallowtails and are the closest extant relatives of *H. cresphontes*. Sequences of *H. homothoas* and *H. melonius* were different from each other (2.6%) and from either of the *H. cresphontes* DNA barcodes (3% to 3.5%, differences of the same magnitude as those between the two *H. cresphontes*-like taxa). Barcode sequences were also obtained from all *H. thoas* subspecies and from *H. paeon*. These sequences were even more distant from the *H. cresphontes* group (more than 5% difference), but revealed unexpected peculiarities of their own. Thus, neither *H. cresphontes*-like sequence was introgressed from any extant *Heraclides* taxon, and the two sequences: eastern and southwestern, are each other's closest relatives.

Next, in a quest for the names to apply to the eastern and southwestern species, we analyze names proposed for *H. cresphontes*, search for type specimens, and stabilize nomenclature by designation of lectotypes and a neotype.

Lectotype designation for *Papilio cresphontes* Cramer, 1777

P. cresphontes was described by Pieter Cramer (1777: 106, 107, Pl. CLXV A, CLXVI B) on the basis of several specimens collected “in Noord-Amerika, te Nieuw-jork en op het Eiland Jamaika, als mede in Zuid-Carolina” (description on the left in Dutch), or “dans l’Amerique Septentrionale, a la Nouvelle-York & dans l’Isle de la Jamaïque, comme aussi dans la Caroline Meridionale” (description on the right in French), which can be translated as “in North America, from New York and on the island of Jamaica, as well as in South Carolina.” Thus, the type locality includes at least three distinct localities in North America: New York, Jamaica, and South Carolina. However, the species referred to as *H. cresphontes* in essentially all literature since Cramer does not normally occur in Jamaica, and the Jamaican records are either possible human imports or misidentifications (Tyler et al. 1994). The native Jamaican Giant Swallowtail has been described by Rothschild and Jordan (1906) as a different taxon, known today as *H. melonius*. Rothschild and Jordan (1906) referred to Cramer’s description of *H. cresphontes* in their description of *H. melonius*, hence making the Jamaican syntype of *H. cresphontes* simultaneously a syntype of *H. melonius* and the type series of *H. cresphontes* polytypic. Polytypic series of *H. cresphontes* has a potential for instability of nomenclature in the absence of a lectotype. To designate the lectotype, we studied the *H. cresphontes* type series further.

Cramer illustrated two specimens, a female in dorsal and ventral aspects (Cramer 1777: pl. CLXV A, ventral aspect figure erroneously referred to as “B” on page 107) and a male in dorsal aspect (Cramer 1777: pl. CLXVI B, page 107 states the ventral aspect of the male is similar to that of the female illustrated in pl. CLXV A). Published illustrations did not give precise localities of these specimens. Additionally, Cramer referenced a specimen illustrated by Daubenton (1765: 69). This specimen is equally a syntype. The engraving (Daubenton 1765: 69), masterfully performed by French artist Francois Nicolas Martinet (1725–1804) shows dorsal and ventral aspects of what was called “Le Festonne de la Gouadeloupe”. Apparently, “Le Festonne” (The Scalloped), is a name given to this butterfly, and “la Gouadeloupe” could only mean the locality, i.e., Guadeloupe, a group of Caribbean islands, which today are an overseas region of France. Curiously, this specimen is also a syntype of *H. thoas* (Linnaeus, 1771), and its locality as “Guadalupa” is mentioned in the original description (Linnaeus 1771).

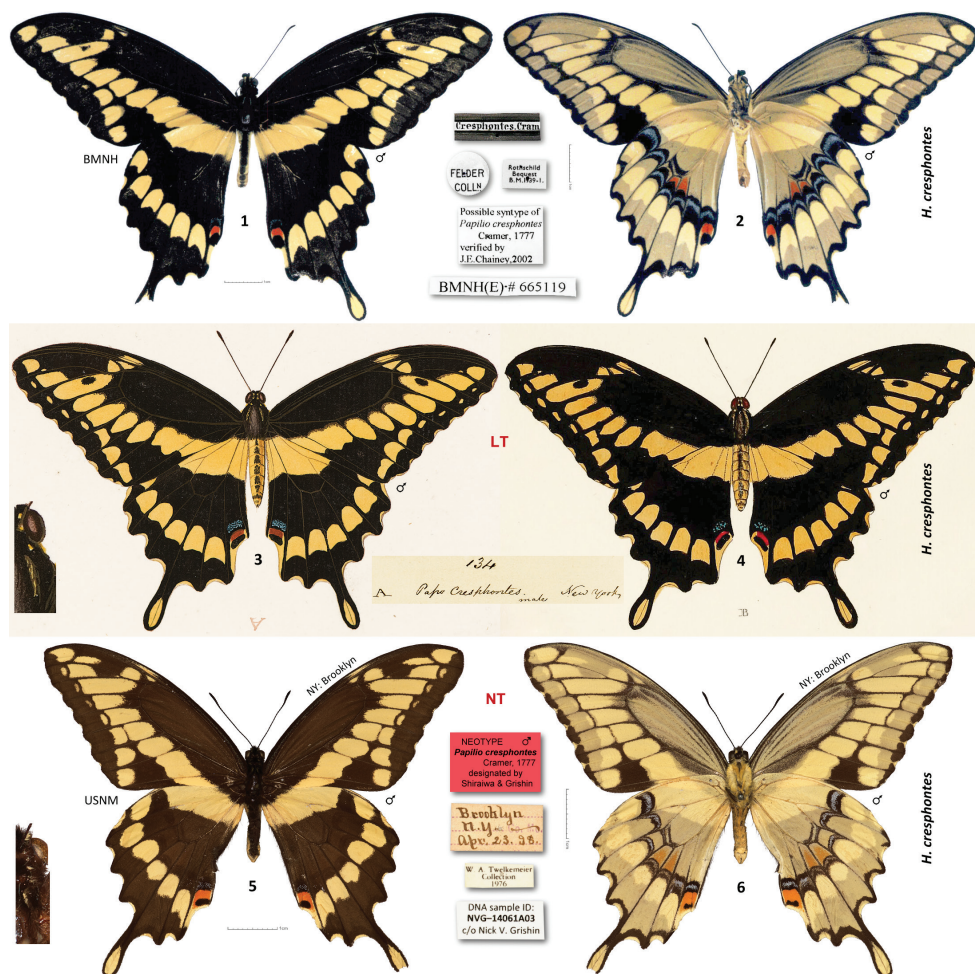
Since no Giant Swallowtails are known from Guadeloupe (Tyler et al. 1994), either this locality is erroneous, or the species illustrated has become extinct there. The engraving is consistent in most characters with the well-patterned spring form of eastern *H. cresphontes*. However, the prominent red-orange base of all three cells between veins M_1 and CuA_1 on ventral hindwing is a character diagnostic of *H. melonius*, currently known only from Jamaica. Thus, using published illustrations and texts we were not able to confidently associate any of the three illustrated syntypes with localities mentioned in the description of *H. cresphontes*.

We took the following steps to search for the *H. cresphontes* syntype specimens. First, we studied the literature. In a comprehensive search for the type specimens of

Cramer taxa in the Natural History Museum, London (BMNH), John Chainey identified a possible syntype male (specimen number BMNH(E)#665119, Figs 1–2). Unfortunately, the specimen does not bear any locality labels. Also, it is not any of the three syntypes discussed above: it is a male and it lacks 3 anterior yellow spots on the dorsal forewing. Finally, as Chainey noticed, it is not possible to say with any confidence that the specimen is indeed a syntype. Second, we contacted Rob de Vos, Lepidoptera collection manager at Naturalis Biodiversity Center (Leiden, Netherlands), where Cramer types for a number of taxa are cared for. The search for *H. cresphontes* syntypes in both collections—Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie (RMNH) and Zoölogisch Museum Amsterdam (ZMAN), did not yield positive results. Rob wrote: “unfortunately no luck for a Cramer’s *cresphontes* type. I’m afraid we do not have it. It may not exist anymore. Much of his collection has disappeared, probably lost, in private collections.” Thus we were not able to find possible syntypes with locality labels to help select a single locality of several mentioned in the description of *H. cresphontes*.

Similar challenges with Cramer type localities and syntypes were encountered by other researchers, so negative results were not surprising. For instance, Clench and Miller (1980) found that “many of the species described by Cramer in *De Uitlandsche Kapellen* were based on specimens brought to him by seafarers, and Cramer accepted their locality labels as correct”. Clench and Miller also examined possible shipping routes seafarers have taken and listed Jamaica, New York, Savannah and Chesapeake Bay as one of those possible routes, consistent with all the localities given by Cramer.

As a final resort, we consulted the original drawings by Gerrit Wartenaar Lambertz made for Cramer and used as prototypes for the published engravings. Presently, the drawings are in the library of the Natural History Museum, London (BMNH). One of the drawings for the Volume 2, “A” on the plate #134, reproduced here as Fig. 3, was a prototype for Cramer’s figure CLXVI B, male from the original description, reproduced here as Fig. 4. Interestingly, the caption to the Lambertz figure stated “*Cresphontes male New York*” (inset between Figs 3 and 4). The image portrays a specimen very consistent with the spring form of eastern *H. cresphontes*, with well-developed row of submarginal spots on the forewing above, rounded tails, and yellow spots on the neck, not joined into stripes (inset to Fig. 3). Although it is impossible to be certain that “New York”, as stated below the drawing, is indeed the true locality where this specimen was captured (Clench and Miller 1980), *P. cresphontes* has been reported from northern states such as New York prior to 1900s (Dwight 1882, Holland 1898), even if it was quite rare. Nevertheless, “New York” was the first of the three specific localities mentioned by Cramer in the *H. cresphontes* description. Also, the male specimen illustrated is heavily patterned. Such specimens are less common in collections and may be easily recognizable if this syntype is eventually found. For these reasons, this male specimen, illustrated by Lambertz in Volume 2, plate 134, figure 3 and stated to be from “New York” and reproduced in Cramer (1777) plate CLXVI B, with a complete row of 7 submarginal spots on the forewing, small oval dark-brown spot in the anterobasal quadrant of the yellow spot in forewing cell R_5-M_1 , and small yellow spots on the head above and behind the eyes and on the patagia,



Figures 1–6. *Heraclides cresphontes* type specimens and illustrations. **1–2** possible paralectotype [BMNH] **3** Lambertz original illustration of the lectotype designated herein, specimen apparently lost **4** published engraving of the lectotype (Cramer, 1777) **5–6** neotype ♂ designated herein. Data in text and Supplementary Table 1. Dorsal/ventral surfaces are in odd/even-numbered figures, except 4, which shows dorsal. Labels are shown between the images of the same specimen, 3-fold magnified segment of head, neck and thorax is on the left and a 6-fold magnified dorsoposterior view of abdomen is on the right. 1 cm scale bars for specimens and labels are shown. Images 1–2 are by Gerardo Lamas, copyright Trustees of the Natural History Museum, London; used with permission.

not connected to yellow lines on tegulae, is hereby designated the lectotype of *Papilio cresphontes* Cramer, 1777. The identity of the lectotype is in agreement with the usage of this name since it was proposed. The lectotype is designated to ensure nomenclatural stability due to polytypic type series including two species, and to clarify the type locality, which becomes USA: New York. We were not able to locate the lectotype and consider it to be lost.

Lectotype designation for *Papilio thoas* Linnaeus, 1771

The above lectotype designation resolves the problem between *H. cresphontes* and *H. melonius*, both of which were in the *H. cresphontes* type series; and for the interest of stability secures traditional usage of these names: *H. cresphontes* for eastern North America populations, and *H. melonius*, in accord with its original description (Rothschild and Jordan 1906), for Jamaica. Additionally, if a *H. cresphontes* syntype is found, unless there is strong evidence that it is the specimen pictured on the Cramer plate CLXVI B (and the original Lambertz illustration shows excellent details), it is not a name bearing type. The next problem is that the *H. thoas* type series included at least one *H. cresphontes* specimen, the one from Daubenton (1765: 69), discussed above. Due to the inclusion of this specimen in the original description by Linnaeus (1771) and a type locality originally listed as “Guadalupa, Surinamo”, a potential for nomenclatural instability exists. Rothschild and Jordan (1906) considered the Daubenton illustration, which locality “Guadalupa” refers to, to be *H. cresphontes*. Honey and Scoble (2001) concurred with this conclusion, stating: “the type locality of *thoas* can, with good reason, be restricted to Surinam”, but they didn’t designate the lectotype. Linnaeus (1771) listed specimen(s) illustrated by Drury (1770: pl. 22, figs 1, 2) first, before listing other references. The Drury illustrations are excellent and agree with the subsequent usage of the name, and the locality is stated in the text: “Surinam” (Drury 1770: 45). To stabilize nomenclature and clarify the type locality, we designate a specimen with 4 submarginal yellow spots, a small spot near the apex of the dorsal forewing and a yellow spot at the posterodistal end of the forewing discal cell, illustrated in Fig. 1 on the Drury (1770) Plate 22 as the lectotype of *Papilio thoas* Linnaeus, 1771. The whereabouts of the lectotype are unknown, but the Drury illustration is of sufficient quality to confidently identify the species and see that the lectotype is in agreement with the prior and current usage of the name. The type locality of *H. thoas* becomes Suriname.

Neotype designation for *Papilio cresphontes* Cramer, 1777

The two lectotypes designated above unambiguously distinguish *H. cresphontes*, an eastern US species, from *H. melonius* and *H. thoas*. However, with our finding that *H. cresphontes* is a complex of two sister species, the lectotype, which is apparently lost, may not be sufficient to define the taxon from just a single illustration. While most specimens of the southwestern species differ from the eastern *P. cresphontes* in neck and wing patterns, its diagnostic characters are found in genitalia and DNA, and thus cannot be confirmed from the illustration alone. Therefore, we proceed with the designation of the neotype in accord with ICZN Article 75.3 (ICZN 1999). The exceptional need for the *H. cresphontes* neotype arises to unambiguously distinguish it from the southwestern species, and have an actual name-bearing type specimen for future DNA research. A male specimen in the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian

Institution, Washington, DC (USNM) mounted ventral side up, illustrated in Figs 5–6, and bearing the following three rectangular labels: faded to wheat color, handwritten - || Brooklyn | N. Y. ~ | Apr. 23. 98. ||; white printed - || W. A. Twelkemeier | Collection | 1976 ||; white printed - || DNA sample ID: | NVG-14061A03 | c/o Nick V. Grishin || is hereby designated as the neotype of *Papilio cresphontes* Cramer, 1777. The red printed label - || NEOTYPE ♂ | *Papilio cresphontes* | Cramer, 1777 | designated by | Shiraiwa & Grishin || will be added to the neotype upon publication of this study. Length of the neotype forewing is 48 mm, and this specimen can be recognized by a unique pattern of minor damage along the anal margin of left hindwing basad of the blue crescent, and missing tip of the tail on right hindwing (Fig. 5). Neotype is an old specimen, collected in 1898, although over a century more recent than the Cramer's type, it may still better represent the fauna of New York prior to major industrial developments. According to ICZN Code Art.76.3., the type locality of *H. cresphontes* becomes USA: New York, Brooklyn.

This neotype designation satisfies all seven provisions of the ICZN code (Art. 75.3.1.–7.) as follows. The neotype is designated to clarify the attribution of the name *H. cresphontes* to the eastern (and not southwestern) species in accord with traditional usage of the name and the type locality of the lectotype (Art. 75.3.1.) The characters to differentiate *H. cresphontes* from the southwestern species are listed in the first two paragraphs of the Results section and additionally in the Diagnosis section of the description below (Art. 75.3.2.). The neotype and its labels are shown in Figs 5–6 (Art. 75.3.3.). The steps taken to trace the lectotype are described above (Art. 75.3.4.). Neotype agrees with the original description and is rather similar to the lectotype illustration: it is of a broadly patterned yellow spring form, with all 7 submarginal yellow spots on the forewing expressed, and with small yellow spots on head, patagia, and tegulae (Art. 75.3.5.). The lectotype was stated to be from “New York”, and the neotype was collected in Brooklyn, New York, closely matching the locality of the lectotype (Art. 75.3.6.). The neotype is in the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC (USNM) (Art. 75.3.7.). Facies, DNA barcode ID tag (GenBank Accession KP173859), and locality of the neotype unambiguously attribute the name *H. cresphontes* to the eastern species, leaving the southwestern species for further analysis.

Analysis of names proposed for *H. cresphontes*

Eight names have been considered synonyms of *H. cresphontes* by Lamas (2004) and Pelham (2008). Out of these, *Heracleides oxilus* Hübner, [1819] is an objective junior synonym, because it was proposed as a replacement name for *H. cresphontes*, erroneously considered to be preoccupied; *Papilio cresphontes* var. *maxwelli* Franck, 1919 and *Papilio cresphontes pennsylvanicus* F. Chermock & R. Chermock, 1945 are subjective junior synonyms, based on specimens from USA: Florida: Pinellas County, St. Petersburg (Franck 1919b) and USA: Pennsylvania, Centre County, State College, respectively.

We consider *maxwelli* to be an available name according to ICZN Code Art. 45.6.4., because (1) it was published before 1961, (2) the author used the terms “var.” and “variety”, and (3) the publication does not unambiguously reveal that the name is infrasubspecific. The entire description text is very short, cited here: “The triangular spot near the apex of the primaries is entirely filled out with sulphur yellow, giving the specimen a striking tropical appearance. This variety is named after my esteemed friend Mrs. J. B. Maxwell, of Faribault, Minn.” (Franck 1919a). The *maxwelli* holotype (“the specimen”) is a strongly patterned with yellow, mostly likely spring brood individual, probably somewhat aberrant. It is eastern *H. cressphontes* by facies, and is pictured in Warren et al. (2014). We agree with Lamas (2004) and Pelham (2008) in treating the name as a synonym of *H. cressphontes*, because we do not see consistent differences between Florida populations of *H. cressphontes* and those from northeastern US near the *H. cressphontes* type locality.

The name *pennsylvanicus* was proposed as a subspecies (Chermock and Chermock 1945). The type series specimens are characterized by weaker developed dark pattern on ventral side of wings, suggesting that specimens from the northeastern parts of the range may be weaker patterned in black. Facies of the *H. c. pennsylvanicus* holotype and facies and DNA barcodes of two paratypes from the same locality are of *H. cressphontes* and not of the southwestern species. However, paler specimens are found throughout the range of *H. cressphontes*, not only in the northeast, and are occasional even in the southwestern *H. cressphontes*-like species. *H. cressphontes* neotype is also from northwest and is weaker patterned with black below (Fig. 6). Therefore, we concur with Pelham (2008) that it is best to treat *pennsylvanicus* as a subjective junior synonym of *H. cressphontes* rather than a meaningful subspecies.

The remaining six names are infrasubspecific according to the Articles 45.5. & 45.6. of the ICZN Code, in agreement with Pelham (2008) and therefore are unavailable. Three were proposed explicitly for aberrations: ab. (nov.) *lurida* Schultz, 1908; ab. *luxuriosa* Reiff, 1911; and ab. *intacta* Strand, 1918, and thus are infrasubspecific according to Art. 45.6.2. For the final two names, both published before 1961: tr. f. *forsythae* Gunder, 1933; and forma *melanurus* Hoffmann, 1940, “the content of the work unambiguously reveals that the name was proposed for an infrasubspecific entity” (ICZN 1999: Art. 45.6.4.). The first one was based on specimens from USA: Florida and the facies of the holotype agree with *H. cressphontes*.

However, the second one, *Papilio cressphontes* forma *melanurus*, is from Mexico: Guerrero, and the facies of the holotype imply that it is the southwestern species, not *H. cressphontes*. Although its name as originally proposed contains the word “forma”, the text of the description (Hoffmann 1940) is clear about it being a form with dark tails inside populations of typical *H. cressphontes* with yellow-spotted tails: “It differs from *cressphontes cressphontes* Cramer by its entirely black tails that lack the typical yellow spot. The form is found together with typical *cressphontes* with some frequency in the Balsas River basin and the mountains of the State of Guerrero” (translated from Spanish original)—i.e., “La forma se encuentra junto con *cressphontes typicus* con cierta frecuencia” unambiguously implies that the name is infrasubspecific: black-

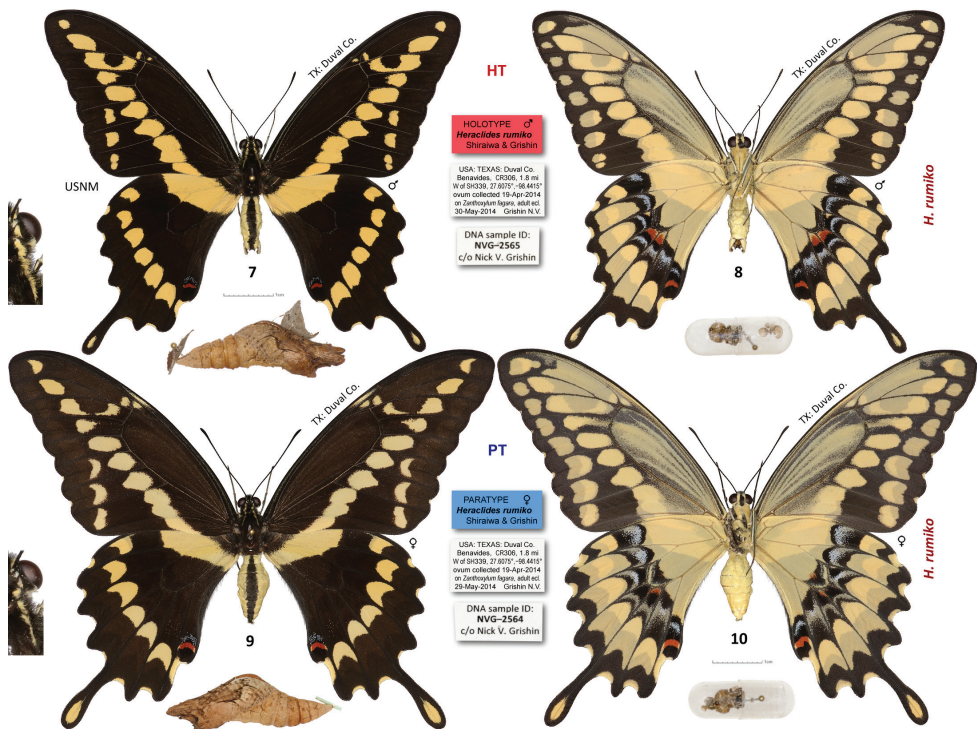
tailed *H. crespfontes* that flies together with typical *H. crespfontes* in Guerrero is not its subspecies, but a form. From the description, it is equally unambiguous that Hoffmann considered populations in Mexico: Guerrero to be typical *H. crespfontes*. The name *melanurus* was not adapted for a subspecies since it was proposed. Therefore, the southwestern *H. crespfontes*-like species does not have a name and is named herein.

***Heraclides rumiko* Shiraiwa & Grishin, sp. n.**

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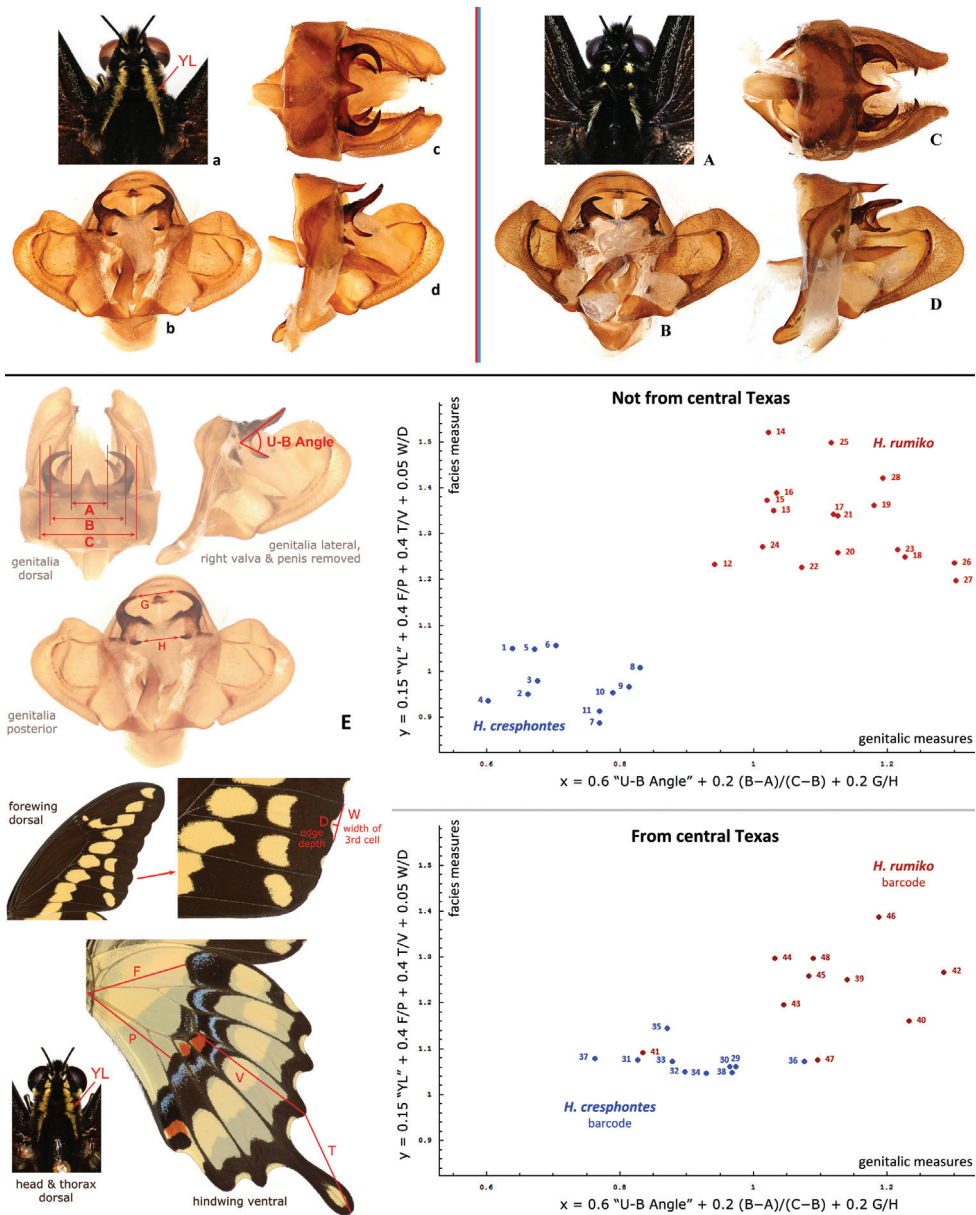
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Description. Male (n=95, Figs 7–8, 11a, 13 part) – holotype forewing length = 50 mm. Size on average smaller (mean forewing length 54 mm, maximum observed 58 mm) than *H. crespfontes*. Wings typically narrower, less scalloped, and wing shape less variable than in *H. crespfontes*, hindwing tail longer and narrower, weakly spoon-shaped. Ground color black to dark chocolate-brown. **Dorsal forewing:** Two maize-yellow bands: a central band of 9 spots from apex to basal third at inner margin in all cells from R_3 – R_4 to 1A; and a sub-marginal band of 3 to 7 spots in cells from R_4 – R_5 to CuA_2 –1A, absent or vestigial in most specimens anterior of three cells between M_3 and 1A veins. Several smaller maize-yellow spots near costa at the end of discal cell. Background-colored dark oval spot of variable size inside or at the anterior edge of the yellow central band spot in cell R_5 – M_1 , sometimes dividing the yellow spot into two. Marginal pale spots at dips between veins small or almost absent. **Dorsal hindwing:** Two maize-yellow bands extending from forewing: undivided into spots central band in wing basal third from costa to inner margin, with small tooth-like protrusions distad along veins R_s and M_1 ; and sub-marginal band of 7 spots in cells from $Sc+R_1$ – R_s to CuA_2 –1A+2A, the tornal spots up to margin. Maroon-red to orange-red eyespot near tornus with blue crescent above. Center of the tail tip yellow. **Ventral forewing:** Yellow color paler; wider yellow central band weakly divided into spots from forewing costa to inner margin; submarginal band of 8 or 9 (spot near tornus may be divided into two) spots larger than on dorsal side in cells between veins R_3 and 1A. Marginal pale spots at dips between veins larger than above. Discal cell yellow, overscaled with dark and with 5 variously developed dark longitudinal streaks. **Ventral hindwing:** Largely maize-yellow, a dark-brown rather straight discal band from costa through the end of discal cell to tornus with blue crescents inside in each cell and orange-red tornal spot distal to blue crescent. Distal end of discal cell with black (in some specimens blue) lines, often fused with the median band. Cells M_2 – M_3 and M_3 – CuA_1 orange-red at the base; few or no orange-red scales at the base of M_1 – M_2 cell. Margin bordered black, with yellow edges along concavities. Dark-brown rays along veins between discal and marginal dark bands. Tail tip with yellow spot in the middle. **Head and body:** Antennae dark-brown, segments ringed with yellow beneath. Head and thorax dark-brown dorsally and yellow ventrally. Two longitudinal yellow stripes on



Figures 7–10. *Heraclides rumiko* type specimens: **7–8** holotype ♂ **9–10** paratype ♀ NVG-2564, data in text and Supplementary Table 1. Dorsal/ventral surfaces are in odd/even-numbered figures. Labels are shown between the images of the same specimen, exuvia and head capsules in a gelatin capsule are below, and 3-fold magnified segment of head, neck and thorax is on the left. All images are to scale (including labels), except the magnified insets.

head, patagia and tegulae forming two continuous yellow lines from head to thorax (Fig 11a), only rarely and weakly separated into spots. Abdomen yellow, with a black dorsal stripe fading posteriad in many specimens. **Male genitalia** (n=34; Fig. 11a–d, 14 part): Pseuduncus shaped as a tooth like, pointed projection flattened at the tip not extending posteriad beyond uncus, thus leaving a gap between the last tergum and valvae. In lateral view, pseuduncus dorsally flat but ventrally convex towards the tip. Uncus more slender than in *H. cresphontes*, divided into two curved horn-like arms; each arm directed posterodorsad, curved laterad initially and then strongly mediad, narrowing to a point. Brachium arms from the base of uncus ventrad, narrow, shorter than uncus, directed posteroventrad and mediad, differently from uncus in dorsoventral projection. Both uncus and brachium visible in dorsal view (Fig. 11c). In *H. cresphontes* brachium mostly covered by uncus (Fig. 11C). Valva somewhat square in shape, broadly rounded at the angles. Harpe oval, without long projections and spikes, finely dentate ventrad in posterior half, with apex curved inward. Distal end of harpe very close to the edge of valva, closer than in *H. cresphontes*, and valva projects distad from the denticulate edge of harpe less than in *H. cresphontes*, costa of valva usu-



ally broader than in *H. crespontes*. Aedeagus as long as the valva, straight and stout, no cornuti. Juxta U-shaped, gracile and smooth. Saccus short, barely protruding anteriad beyond vinculum.

Female (n=28, Figs 9–10): Similar to male but larger, with broader wings, ground color paler, yellow bands typically narrower and paler: cream-yellow on forewing and somewhat yellower on hindwing. **Female genitalia** (n=11, Fig. 12a–i): Lamella

Figure 11. Neck pattern, male genitalia, and morphometrics. **a–d** *H. rumiko*, paratype, Mexico: Baja California Sur: Buena Vista, 1-Oct-1981, leg. D. Faulkner & F. Andrews, genitalia KS017 [SDMC] **A–D** *H. crespontes*, USA: Georgia: Clark Co. July 2009, genitalia KS009 **E** Morphometric measurements performed on genitalia and facies and plotted in two dimensions. Horizontal axis is a weighted average of the three genitalic measures: $0.6^{**}\text{U-B Angle} + 0.2^{*}(\text{B-A})/(\text{C-B}) + 0.2^{*}\text{G/H}$. “U-B Angle” is measured in radians. Vertical axis is a weighted average of the four facies measures: $0.15^{**}\text{YL} + 0.4^{*}\text{F/P} + 0.4^{*}\text{T/V} + 0.05 \text{ W/D}$, where “YL” is equal to 0 or 1, if yellow line on the neck is separated into spots or continuous, respectively. Measured distances are indicated on the illustrations. Each of the two (genitalic and facies) linear combinations of measures completely segregates *H. rumiko* (red points) from *H. crespontes* (blue points) specimens (not from central Texas) with a hiatus. Even a single measure “U-B Angle” identifies all specimens correctly, except #12, which has a brachium strongly curved dorsad. Specimen localities: *H. crespontes*: 1. GA: Clark Co.; 2. NY: Niagara Co., Lockport; 3. NC: Carteret Co.; 4. IN: Kosciusko Co., Silver Lake; 5. WI: Sauk Co., Sauk City; 6. LA: St. John Pa., Edgard; 7. AR: Osceola; 8. OK: Marshall Co., Lake Texoma; 9. FL: Okeechobee Co., Fort Drum; 10. OH: Montgomery Co., Dayton; 11. PA: York Co., Pinchot State Park. *H. rumiko*: 12. AZ: Maricopa Co., North Phoenix; 13. AZ: Santa Cruz Co., Sycamore Canyon; 14. CA: Imperial Co.; 15. MX: Veracruz, Fortin de las Flores; 16. MX: Oaxaca, Yanguil; 17. Costa Rica: Puntarenas, San Antonio; 18. MX: Tamaulipas, Gomez Farias; 19. MX: Colima, Colima; 20. MX: Sonora; 21. MX: Yukatan, Merida; 22. MX: Morelos, Rancho Viejo; 23. MX: BCS, Buena Vista; 24. MX: Jalisco, Ajajic; 25. CA: San Diego Co., La Jolla; 26. MX: Quintana Roo, nr. X-Can; 27. TX: Val Verde Co., Del Rio; 28. CA: San Diego Co., Pauma Valley. Central Texas specimens are from Bexar (33–38, 42–48), Williamson (39–41), Travis (31, 32), Bastrop (30), and Brazos (29) Counties. Voucher codes for these specimens are: 29. NVG-2236; 30. -2299; 31. -2300; 32. -2174; 33. -2192; 34. -2196; 35. -2205; 36. -2209; 37. -2210; 38. -2216; 39. -2301; 40. -2225; 41. -2229; 42. -2191; 43. -2197; 44. -2204; 45. -2208; 46. -2211; 47. -2215; 48. -2218. Species (color on the plot) is assigned to central Texas specimens by COI barcode. See Supplementary Table 1 for more data. Specimens 36 and 41 are apparent hybrids or the results of introgression.

postvaginalis tongue-shaped, ventrally convex smooth plate somewhat longer than wide, with rounded or slightly concave posterior margin, variable in width and length, lamella antevaginalis narrow, poorly sclerotized, laterally extending into narrow peripheral vestibular plates surrounding lamella postvaginalis on the sides up to its middle. Inner edge of each plate with short, tooth-like projection in some specimens (Fig. 12e). Antrum with two weakly sclerotized small plates along sides. Ductus bursae short, not longer than sterigma. Corpus bursae with a long longitudinal signum on ventral side.

Barcode sequence of the holotype. Genbank accession KP173713, 658 base pairs:

AACATTATATTTTATTTTGGAAATTTGAGCAAGAATACTAG-GAACTTCTCTTAGTTTACTAATTCGTACTGAATTAGGCACCCCCG-GCTCATTAATTGGAGATGATCAAATTTATAATACTATTGTTACAGCT-CATGCTTTTATTATAATTTTTTTTATAGTTATACCTATTATAAATTG-GAGGATTTGGAAATTGATTAATTCCATTAATATTAGGAGCCCCTGATATAGCTTTTCCTCGTATAAATAATATAAGATTTTGACTTTTACCCC-CTTCTCTAACTCTCCTAATTTCAAGAATAATTGTAGAAAATGGGGCAG-GAACTGGATGAACTGTTTACCCTCCTCTTTCCTCTAATATTGCCCATG-GAAGAAGATCAGTAGATTTAGTTATCTTTTCTTTACATTTAGCTG-

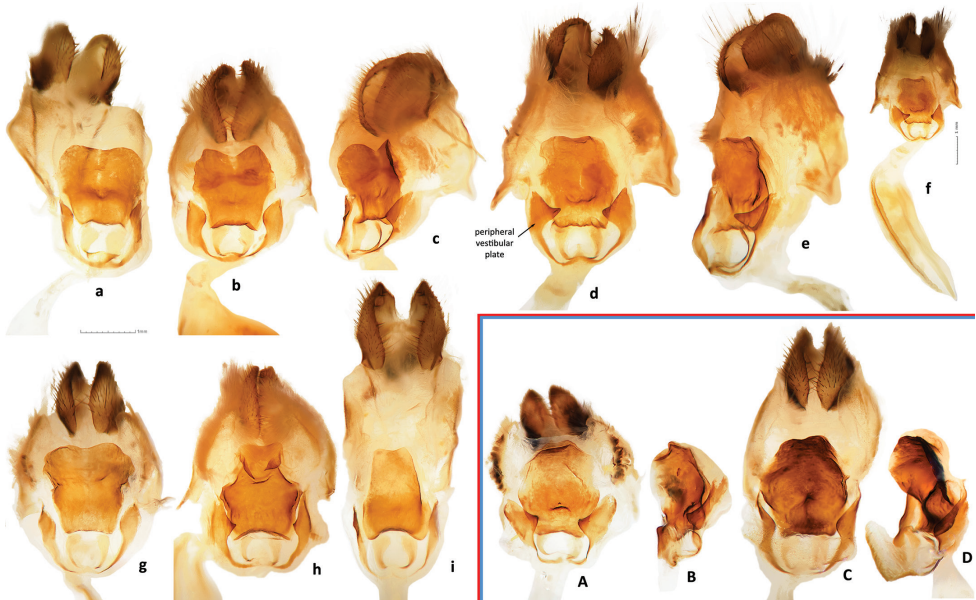


Figure 12. Female genitalia. **a–i** *H. rumiko* paratypes [TAMU]: **a** USA: TX: Cameron Co., Las Palomas WMA, Tucker Unit, 24-Oct-2001, leg. J. & F. Preston, DNA voucher NVG-2238, genitalia NVG140320-79 **b, c** USA: TX: Hidalgo Co., Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge, 13-Oct-1968, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2163 | NVG140320-04 **d–f** USA: TX: Cameron Co., World Wildlife Management Area nr. Santa Maria, 14-Nov-1971, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2195 | NVG140320-36 **g** Honduras: Escuela Agrícola Panamericana, 30 km SE Tegucigalpa, 1-May-1985, leg. Vascones, NVG-2221 | NVG140320-62 **h** Mexico: Durango: Tlahualilo, 20-Aug-1935, leg. C. S. Rude, NVG-2230 | NVG140320-71; **i** Mexico: Tamaulipas: Cd. Monte, Los Arcos Ct., 8-May-1978, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2185 | NVG140320-26 **A–D** *H. crespontes*, USA: MO: **A, B** Phelps Co., Mark Twain National Forest, DeWitt Pond, N37.8367 W91.9385, 25-May-2006, J. C. Abbott, NVG-2293 | NVG140403-21 [TMMC] **C, D** Montgomery Co., NVG-2242 | NVG140320-83 [TAMU]. Ventrolateral view is shown in **c, e, B, D** (**e** is left-right inverted), others are in ventral view. All images are to scale shown under **a**, except **f**, which is half the size with scale shown to the right.

GTATTCCTCAATTCTTGGAGCAATTAATTTTATTACTACAATTAT-
TAATATACGAATTAATAGAATATCTTTTGATCAAATACCTTTATTT-
GTTTGAGCCGTAGGAATTACAGCTTTATTATTACTTTTATCTTTAC-
CTGTTTTAGCAGGAGCTATTACTATACTTTTAACTGATCGAAATTTAAA-
TACTTCATTTTTTTGACCCTGCTGGAGGAGGAGATCCAATTTTATAC-
CAACATTTATTT

In addition to the holotype, barcodes and ID tags were obtained for 110 paratypes: 93 full-length barcodes (658 to 664 bp), 3 partial barcodes (443 bp) and 14 ID tags (64 bp), see Suppl. material 1, GenBank accessions: KP173714–KP173823. Full length barcodes of paratypes revealed ten haplotypes differing from each other by just 1 to 3 base pairs (less than 0.5%, Fig. 17). The haplotype of the holotype was most frequently observed (67 sequences).

Type material. Holotype: ♂, has the following three rectangular labels: white printed - || USA: TEXAS: Duval Co. | Benavides, CR306, 1.8 mi | W of SH339, 27.6075° -98.4415° | ovum collected 19-Apr-2014 | on *Zanthoxylum fagara*, adult ecl. | 30-May-2014 Grishin N.V. ||; white printed - || DNA sample ID: | NVG-2565 | c/o Nick V. Grishin ||; red printed - || HOLOTYPE ♂ | *Heraclides rumiko* Shiraiwa & Grishin ||. Pupal exuvia and larval head capsules are stored with the holotype. The holotype is illustrated in Figs 7–8, 19a–d, v, & 23a–c, and the Genbank accession for its DNA COI barcode sequence is KP173713. Upon publication, the holotype will be deposited in the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC (USNM). **Paratypes:** 94 ♂♂ and 28 ♀♀. Of these, 1 ♂ and 2 ♀♀ with the same data as the holotype, eclosion dates 26-, 27-, 29-May-14; DNA vouchers NVG-2559, -2563, -2564. **USA: Texas:** 28 ♂♂ and 6 ♀♀ Duval Co., along SH339, 1–5 mi SW Benavides, 19-Apr-2014, leg. N. V. Grishin & Q. Cong, DNA vouchers NVG-2335–2339, -2425–2453; Duval Co., SH359, 7.6 mi NE Benavides, 27° 40.443' -98° 19.209', ex larva, leg. N. V. Grishin, eclosed: 1 ♂ and 1 ♀ 16-Nov-2003, NVG-38, -2097; 1 ♂ 25-Nov-2003, leg. N. V. Grishin, NVG-2095; 2 ♂♂ 3-Jun-2004, leg. N. V. Grishin, NVG-2098, -2099; Cameron Co., E of Brownsville, Palmetto Hill Rd., leg. N. V. Grishin: 1 ♂ 11-Nov-1996, NVG-2102; ex larva, 1 ♀ 5-Dec-2007, NVG-2100; 1 ♀ Cameron Co., World Wildlife Management Area nr. Santa Maria, 14-Nov-1971, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2195 | NVG140320-36 [TAMU]; 1 ♀ Cameron Co., Las Palomas WMA, Tucker Unit, 24-Oct-2001, leg. J. & F. Preston, NVG-2238 | NVG140320-79; 1 ♂ Cameron Co., Brownsville, 1-Apr-1981, leg. C. Bordelon, NVG-2223 | NVG140320-64 [TAMU]; Hidalgo Co., Mission, 10th St. at irrigation ditch [TAMU]: 1 ♂ 2-Sep-1972, leg. W. W. McGuire, NVG-2164 | NVG140320-05; 1 ♂ 1 ♀ 8-Sep-1972, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2165, -2166 | NVG140320-06, -07; 2 ♂♂ Hidalgo Co., McAllen [TAMU]: 9-Oct-1973, leg. W. W. McGuire, NVG-2168 | NVG140320-09 [TAMU]; Valencia Motel, ex larva 21-Oct-1972, larval foodplant *Ptelea trifoliata*, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2167 | NVG140320-08 [TAMU]; 1 ♀ Hidalgo Co., Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge, near Alamo, 13-Oct-1968, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2163 | NVG140320-04 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ San Patricio Co., SH 77 ca. 7 mi NNE of Sinton, Welder Wildlife Foundation, 10-Aug-1968, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2173 | NVG140320-14 [TAMU]; 1 ♀ San Patricio Co., 12.5 km NE Sinton @ SH 77, Welder Wildlife Foundation, 28.113, -97.418, 1–3-Jul-2002, J. C. Abbott & Field Entomology Class, NVG-2302 | NVG140403-30 [TMMC]; 1 ♂ Refugio Co., US Hwy 77 Mission River SW of Refugio, ex larva 17-Nov-1963, larval foodplant *Zanthoxylum fagara*, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2171 | NVG140320-12 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ Brazos Co., College Station, Riley Estate, 30.58849, -96.25366, 14–15-May-2011, leg. M. L. Riley, NVG-2243 | NVG140320-84 [Ed Riley]; 1 ♂ La Salle Co., 10.1 mi NW Artesia Wells, Chaparral Wildlife Management Area, 11–15-Jun-2001, J. C. Abbott & Field Entomology Class, NVG-2298 | NVG140403-26 [TMMC]; 1 ♂ Kinney Co., 7 mi along railroad W of Spofford, 8-Oct-1966, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2169

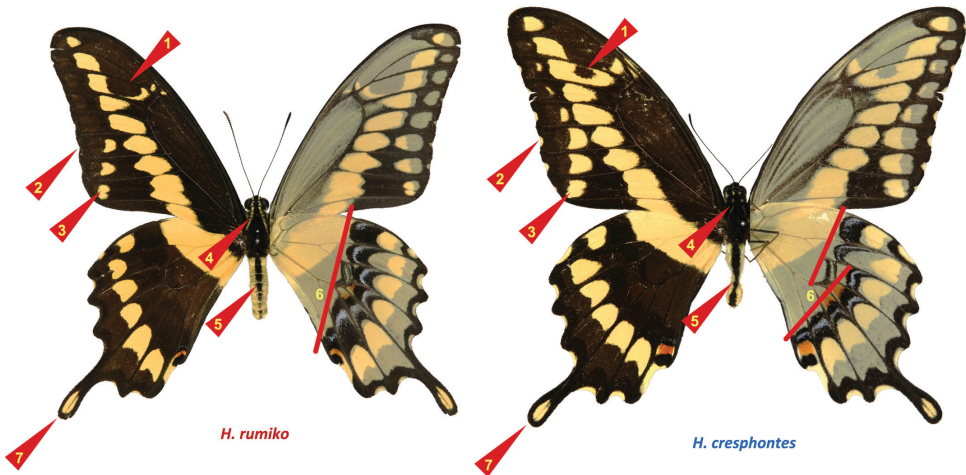


Figure 13. Facies differences between *H. rumiko* (left, r) *H. crespontes* (right, c) indicated by red triangles and lines. These differences are as follows. **1)** Dark spot on forewing: (r) almost always large; (c) variable, but often weak and sometimes absent **2)** Forewing margin: (r) often straight with smaller or absent marginal spots; (c) strongly scalloped with yellow marginal spots at dips between veins **3)** Forewing submarginal yellow spots: (r) smaller rarely more than three; (c) frequently larger, more than three **4)** Thorax with: (r) yellow line running from head through patagia to tegulae; (c) spots instead of the line, or just few yellow scales. **5)** Abdomen: (r) usually with a fainter dark band; (c) often with solid dark band **6)** Inner edge of black discal band on ventral hindwing: (r) mostly straight; (c) usually curved **7)** Tail: (r) mostly narrow and relatively longer; (c) typically rounder and wide, shorter. *H. rumiko* is usually smaller than *H. crespontes*, despite being a southern taxon. Due to significant seasonal and individual variation, none of these characters is fully reliable and exceptions exist. The head-neck-thorax line vs. spots (Fig. 11a, A) might be the strongest single character. A combination of characters should be used for reliable identification, e.g., the one shown in Fig. 11E. Many specimens in central Texas exhibit intermediate characters, atypical character combinations, and possible hybrids can be found (Fig. 11E).

| NVG140320-10 [TAMU]; Val Verde Co., Old US90 at Devils River W of Del Rio, ex larva larval foodplant *Ptelea trifoliata*, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall [TAMU]: 1 ♂ 16-Sep-1968, NVG-2176 | NVG140320-17; 1 ♀ 8-Jun-1968 NVG-2175 | NVG140320-16; 1 ♂ Val Verde Co., Seminole Canyon State Historic Site, 26-May-2007, 29.696, -101.336, leg. J. C. Abbott & Field Entomology Class, NVG-2289 | NVG140403-17 [TMMC]; 1 ♂ Terrel Co, 15 air mi S Sheffield, Oasis Ranch, Independence Cr., 30.467, -101.801, 595 m, 23–27-May-2007, J. C. Abbott & Field Entomology Class, NVG-2290 | NVG140403-18 [TMMC]; 1 ♀ TX: Tom Green Co., San Angelo, 13-Jul-1986, leg. P. Goroy, NVG-14081G05 [CSUC]; 1 ♀ Kerr Co., Kerrville, Riverside Nature Center, 10-Oct-1998, leg. W. F. Chamberlain, NVG-2226 | NVG140320-67 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ Kimble Co., Junction, 9-Oct-1966, leg. W. F. Chamberlain, NVG-2231 | NVG140320-72 [TAMU]; 1 ♀ Van Zandt Co., 2.5 mi W Van, IH20 rest stop, 28-Jul-1996, leg. N. V. Grishin, NVG-2092; Culberson Co., Guadalupe Mnts. National Park [CSUC], 1 ♂ Choza Spr., 5000', 5-Jul-1986, leg. R.

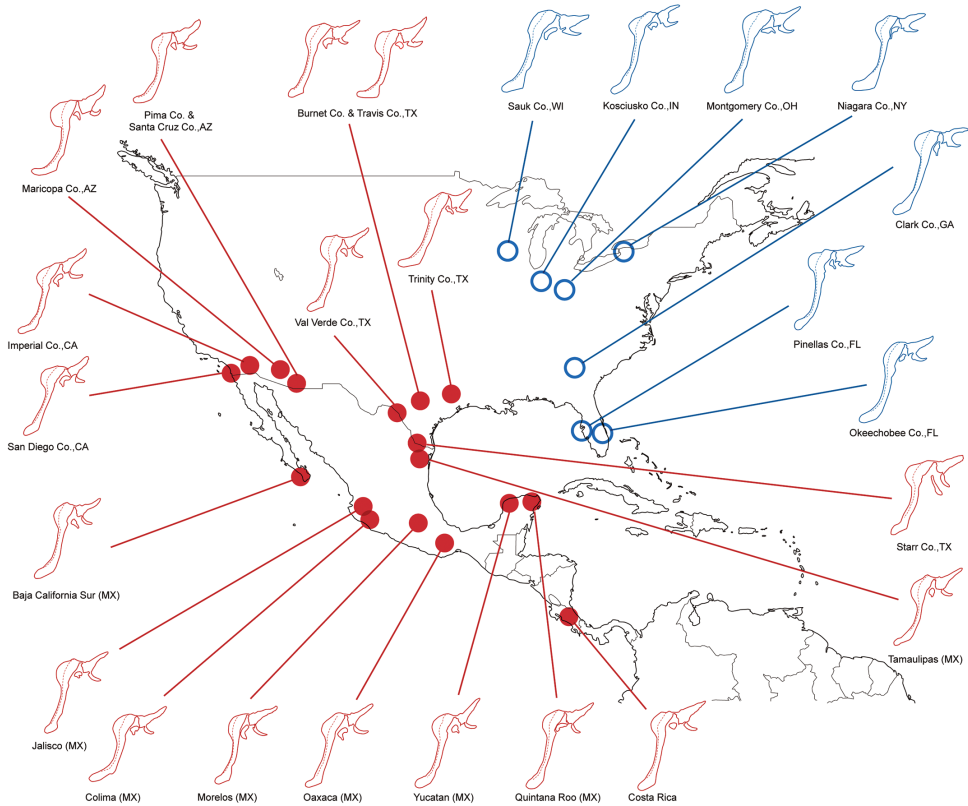
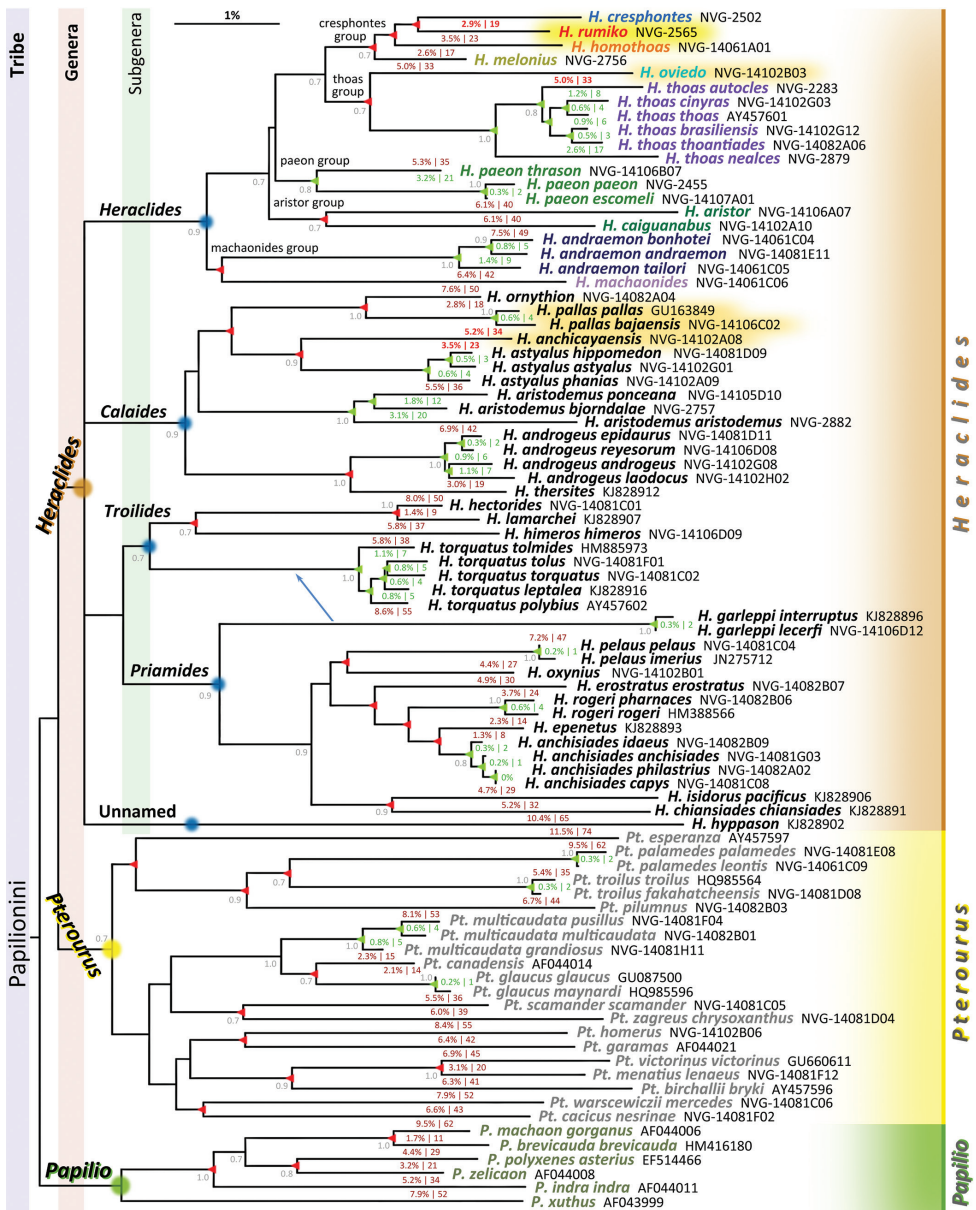


Figure 14. Variation in male genitalia. Left lateral view of genital ring (uncus, brachium, dorsolateral sclerite, tegumen, vinculum and saccus) is shown, valvae, aedeagus and last tergum with pseuduncus are removed. *H. crespontes* and *H. rumiko* localities are shown in blue circles and red disks, respectively.

W. Holland & S. J. Cary, NVG-14081G12; 1 ♀ Pine Spring Cmpgr., 5700', 20-Jun-1986, leg. R. W. Holland, NVG-14081G11. **USA: Colorado:** 1 ♂ Logan Co., Sterling, 10-Jul-1970, leg. D. L. Munget, NVG-14081G09 [CSUC]. **USA: New Mexico:** 5 ♂♂ [CSUC]: Torrance Co., Manzano Mts., 3 mi E of New Canyon Cmpgr. 7400', 30-Jul-1968, leg. R. W. Holland, NVG-14081H02; Eddy Co., Last Chance Canyon, Sitting Bull Falls, 4600', 2-Sep-1986, leg. R. W. Holland & S. J. Cary, NVG-14081H09; Eddy Co., above Sitting Bull Falls, 4600', 20-Sep-1986, leg. R. W. Holland, NVG-14081H04; Eddy Co., Black River nr. Rattlesnake Spr., 3300', 19-Jul-1986, leg. R. W. Holland, NVG-14081H01; Hidalgo Co., Peloncillo Mts., Guadalupe Canyon, SW slope, 4600', 8-Sep-1985, leg. S. J. Carry, NVG-14081H05. **USA: Arizona:** 1 ♂ Maricopa Co., North Phoenix, 10-Aug-1974, | KS032; 1 ♂ Santa Cruz Co., Sycamore Canyon, 28-Aug-1977, leg. J. P. Brock, NVG-2109. **USA: California:** San Diego Co.: 1 ♀ San Diego, ex ovum 23-Sep-2012, eclosed 6-Nov-2012, leg. K. Shiraiwa, NVG-2505; 1 ♂ 1 ♀ Pauma Valley, 17-Jul-2011 & 25-Jun-2007, leg. K. Shiraiwa, NVG-2504, -2503; 1 ♂ 6762 Avenida Andorra, La Jolla, 2-Oct-1993, leg.



J. Stoddard, | KS016; 1 ♂ Imperial Co., ovum collected 17-Apr-1962, adult eclosed 13-Jul-1962, | KS029. **Mexico: Baja California Sur:** 1 ♂ La Paz, Hotel Posada, 27-Sep-1970, leg R. W. Holland, NVG-14081G06 [CSUC]; 1 ♀ 2 mi N of San Pedro, 500', 27-Sep-1970, leg. R. W. Holland, NVG-14081G04 [CSUC]; 3 ♂♂ Buena Vista [SDMC], 1-Oct-1981, leg. D. Faulkner & F. Andrews, NVG-2572–2574; 1 ♂ ibid, | KS017; 1 ♂ 48 mi S La Paz, 25-Aug-1982, leg. D. Faulkner & J. Brown,

Figure 15. COI DNA barcode distances within *Papilionini* in a form of a BioNJ (Dereeper *et al.* 2008) dendrogram built using fraction of nucleotide differences between sequences as distance. The scale bar corresponding to about 1% difference in sequences is shown above the tree. Sequences obtained in this work are with “NVG-” number (see Supplementary Table 1 for data), others are from GenBank (<http://genbank.gov/>) and are labeled by accessions (letters and numbers, no dashes). Specimens with sequences from GenBank were not examined (except where a photograph was available from the BOLD database) and their identification follows original work, locality, and DNA barcode. Due to small number of phylogenetically informative positions, details of the tree topology especially closer to the root are not expected to be accurate (e.g., topology between subgenera of *Heraclides* remains unresolved and is shown as a quadfurcation) and the dendrogram is provided only to visualize the classification discussed in the text. Bootstrap values above 0.7 are shown by the nodes in gray font; “percent difference | number of differences” between the adjacent sequences in the dendrogram are shown between the branches. E.g., sequences of *H. rumiko* and *H. homothoas* differ by 3.5%, which is 23 base pairs. Differences between species are colored red (to substantiate new name, new status, and new combination) and maroon, and differences between subspecies within species are colored green. Nodes leading to speciation events are marked with red triangles and nodes leading to diversification into subspecies are marked with green triangles. Three Neotropical genera of *Papilionini*, five subgenera of *Heraclides* (one unnamed) and five proposed species groups in the subgenus *Heraclides* are labeled. New species described in this study is highlighted yellow and taxa with proposed changes in taxonomic status or name combination are highlighted orange. Arrow indicates that *H. garleppi* belongs to subgenus *Troilides* by morphology, despite its COI barcode being more similar to *Priamides*.

NVG-2575. **Mexico: Sonora:** 1 ♂ 2 mi E San Carlos, 29-Jan-2003, leg. P. Opler, NVG-14081D10 [CSUC]; 1 ♀ Sonora, 5mi S of Yecora, 11-Aug-1991, NVG-2110; 1 ♂ Tepoca, 17-Sep-2010, | KS035 [SDMC]. **Mexico: Sinaloa:** 1 ♂ Panuco Rd. off Mx Hwy 40, 800', 29-Nov-3-Dec-2002, leg. Opler & Buckner, NVG-14081E04 [CSUC]; 1 ♂ Mexico: Sinaloa, Mx Hwy 40, nr. Jct. of Mx 15, 400', 30-Aug-1967, leg. R. W. Holland, NVG-14081H08 [CSUC]; 1 ♂ Mazatlan, 29-Dec-1974, NVG-2111. **Mexico: Colima:** 1 ♂ Colima, 5-Apr-1980, leg. P. Spade, | KS018 [SDMC]. **Mexico: Durango:** Tlahualilo, leg. C. S. Rude [TAMU]; 1 ♂ 19-Jul-1934, NVG-2232 | NVG140320-73, 1 ♀ 20-Aug-1935, NVG-2230 | NVG140320-71. **Mexico: Coahuila:** 1 ♂ Jct Hwy 57 & 53 south of Moncloya, 14-Sep-1977, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2180 | NVG140320-21 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ Cuatro Ciénegas, 200 Ocampo St, Jul-1999, leg. A. Cohen, NVG-2284 | NVG140403-12 [TMMC]. **Mexico: Nuevo Leon:** 1 ♂ 28 km W Linares, 11-Apr-1979, leg. Schaffner & Friedlander, NVG-2240 | NVG140320-81 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ Hwy 60, ca 50 km WSW Linares, 2-Mar-1974, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2181 | NVG140320-22 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ ca 21 km WSW Cola de Caballo, 4 May 1978, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2182 | NVG140320-23 [TAMU]. **Mexico: Tamaulipas:** 1 ♂ Gomez Farias, 500m, 19-Jul-1973, leg. Wm. McGuire, | KS019 [SDMC]; 1 ♀ Cd. Monte, Los Arcos Ct., 8-May-1978, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2185 | NVG140320-26 [TAMU]. **Mexico: San Luis Potosí:** 1 ♂ El Naranjo, 21-Feb-1976, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2183 | NVG140320-24 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ Hwy 70, 16 mi W Rioverde, 21-Feb-1980, R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-

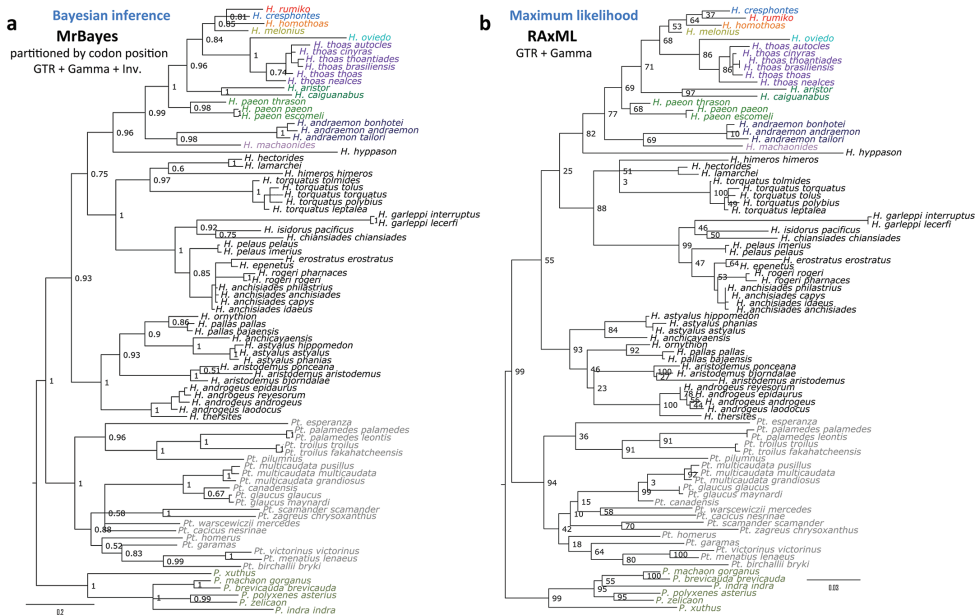


Figure 16. COI DNA barcode trees. Trees of representative sequences of Papilionini reconstructed with different methods: **a** Bayesian inference using MrBayes (alignment partitioned by codon position, $\text{nst}=6$, rates=invgamma, ratepr=variable), posterior probabilities are indicated by the nodes **b** Maximum likelihood method RAxML (-m GTRGAMMA), bootstrap values are indicated. Posterior probabilities are shown by the nodes (omitted within species). Names of different species are shown in different colors. Sequences obtained in this work are those with “NVG-” number (see Supplementary Table 1 for complete data), others are from GenBank (<http://genbank.gov/>) and are labeled by accessions (letters and numbers, no dashes). Specimens with sequences from GenBank were not examined (except where a photograph was available from the BOLD database) and their identification follows original work, locality, and DNA barcode.

2184 | NVG140320-25 [TAMU]. **Mexico: Morelos:** 1 ♂ Rancho Viejo, 20-Jul-2008, | KS034 [SDMC]. **Mexico: Veracruz:** 1 ♂ Fortín de las Flores, Motel Posada Loma, 900 m, 30-Mar-1977, leg. R. O. Kendall & C. A. Kendall, NVG-2186 | NVG140320-27 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ Fortin 13-Aug-1970, leg. B. Douglas, | KS038 [SDMC]. **Mexico: Oaxaca:** 1 ♂ Tlalixtac, 5 mi N of Oaxaca, 6000', 13-IV-1988, leg. J. Kemner, NVG-2281 | NVG140403-09 [TMMC]; 1 ♂ Candelaria, Candelaria Loxicha, 1500', 29-IV-1988, leg. J. Kemner, NVG-2282 | NVG140403-10 [TMMC]; 1 ♂ km 190 near Zanatepec, 500 ft, 24-Jul-1987, #14813, NVG-14102H01 [FMNH]; 1 ♂ Yangul, 1-Apr-1979, leg. J. Stoddard, | KS012 [SDMC]. **Mexico: Yucatan:** 1 ♂ Merida, Mar-1976, | KS021 [SDMC]. **Mexico: Quintana Roo:** 1 ♂ X-Can, 21-May-1963, | KS022 [SDMC]. **Honduras:** 1 ♀ Escuela Agrícola Panamericana, 30 km SE Tegucigalpa, 1-May-1985, leg. Vascones, NVG-2221 | NVG140320-62 [TAMU]; 1 ♂ 1 ♀ in copula, 18 km west of La Ceiba, 27-Jul-1980, leg. R. D. Lehman, NVG-14061A06, -14061A07 [USNM]. **El Salvador:** 1 ♂ San Salvador, 26-Sep-1971, leg. M. Serrano,

NVG-14081G10 [CSUC]. **Costa Rica:** 1 ♂ Alajuela, Alajuela Adventist University of Centrali Americana, 15–20-May-1995, leg. J. C. Abbott & D. Petr, #308, NVG-2278 | NVG140403-06. **Panama:** 1 ♂ C. Z., La Pita, 19-Aug-1966, leg. G. B. Small, NVG-14061A05 [USNM].

Specimens excluded from the type series. 35 specimens from Texas (mostly central) possessed DNA barcodes of *H. rumiko*, but many displayed morphological characters somewhat intermediate between those of *H. rumiko* and *H. crespontes*. These specimens with full data are listed in Suppl. material 1 (as *H. rumiko*, but not paratypes) and are excluded from the type series.

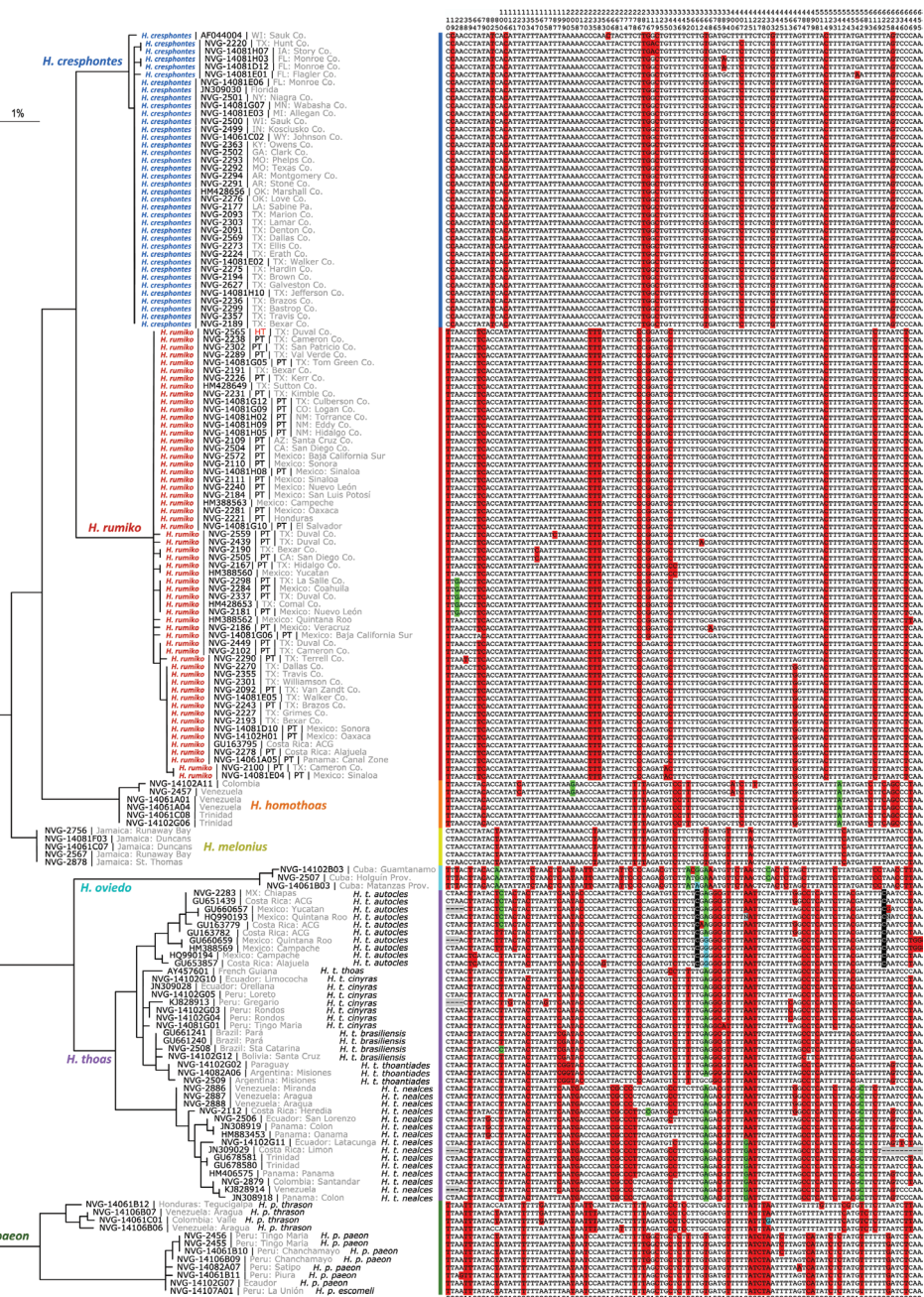
Type locality. USA: Texas: Duval Co., Benavides, CR306, 1.8 mi west of SH339, latitude 27°36'27", longitude -98°26'29.4", elevation 124 m. This locality is at the sharp bend of the County Road 306, where several shrubs of Colima (*Zanthoxylum fagara* [L.] Sarg.) are growing by a fence. The egg that developed into the holotype was found on one of these shrubs.

Etymology. The species is named to honor the wife of the first author. Pronounced as 'roo(as in rue)-mee(as in meek)-koh(as in cod). The stress is on the first syllable. The name is a noun in apposition.

Distribution. *H. rumiko* is recorded from the southwestern United States (mostly southern regions of four states: CA, AZ, NM, and TX) to Panama (DNA barcode data obtained for specimens from Mexico, El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica, and Panama). The northernmost barcoded specimen is from northeastern Colorado. In Mexico, *H. rumiko* tends to be absent from deserts and high mountains, but is found elsewhere (Molina and León 2006). In central Texas, *H. rumiko* is sympatric with its sister species *H. crespontes*. In Costa Rica and Panama, it is sympatric with *H. homothoas* Rothschild & Jordan, 1906 (Tyler et al 1994), a likely sister to the ancestor of *H. crespontes* and *H. rumiko*.

In the 1960s, *H. rumiko* began expanding its distribution in California northward, and by the 1980s, it has reached central California (Emmel and Emmel 1973, Erickson and Iliff 2004). Citrus was cultivated in California from as early as 1840s (Laszlo 2007), and the factors that prevented *H. rumiko* from northward expansion for 120 years are unknown. The increase in ornamental citrus trees may have supported the buildup of *P. rumiko* numbers in southern California and the butterfly can now be commonly found in urban areas. Rue, another host, is very commonly cultivated in southern California today.

Diagnosis. *H. rumiko* belongs to the genus *Heraclides* Hübner, [1819] (type species *H. thoas*), because it possesses simple, smooth, U-shaped juxta, which is a synapomorphy for the genus. *H. rumiko* is in the subgenus *Heraclides* Hübner, [1819] (type species *H. thoas*), because its uncus is shaped as two paired (i.e., uncus dorsad, brachium ventrad) horn-like processes, similarly to *H. thoas*, and the harpe lacks a spine directed distad and separated at the end on its ventral surface. *H. rumiko* is from the crespontes group because the harpe is rounded, without sharp spines. These taxonomic attributions are also supported by the DNA barcode distances and trees (Fig. 15, 16). *H. rumiko* differs from *H. melonius* in lacking a knob-like blunt projection



at the distal end of harpe and having restricted or absent orange scaling at the base of ventral hindwing cell M_1 - M_2 . *H. rumiko* differs from *H. homothoas* in having a simple beak-like, not bifid, pseuduncus. Compared to its sister species *H. crespontes*, *H. rumiko* is characterized by (Figs 11, 13): (1) longer and more slender uncus arms, often

Figure 17. COI DNA-barcodes. Relationships between *Heraclides* specimens from the *cresphontes*, *thoas* and *paeon* groups in a form of RAxML (Stamatakis 2006) maximum likelihood tree (-m GTR-GAMMA). Tree topology is the same as that of the distance tree (Fig. 15). The scale bar corresponding to about 1% difference in sequences is placed above the tree. Species names are shown by tree clades and are colored. Subspecies names are in black after localities. Sequences obtained in this work are labeled by “NVG-” number, those from GenBank (<http://genbank.gov/>) are labeled by accessions (letters and numbers, no dashes). Only selected sequences are shown (different haplotypes or different localities), data for additional NVG- specimens are in Supplementary Table 1. Barcode sequences with invariant positions removed are shown on the right. Positions are numbered according to the barcode sequence of *H. rumiko* holotype (see text) and the numbers are shown above the sequences (e.g., the first position shown is 10 and the last is 655). Most common nucleotide in each position is not highlighted, less common are highlighted in color, giving each group of sequences “barcode”-like appearance different for each species. Location of each position in a codon (first, second, or third base) is shown below the alignment. Specimens with sequences obtained from GenBank were not examined (except where a photograph was available) and their identification follows DNA barcode.

strongly curving inwards; (2) brachium arms that project from the base of uncus on the inner (and not outer) side, and are visible below uncus in dorsal view, not hidden beneath uncus; (3) in lateral view, an uncus and brachium that point away from each other: posterodorsad (uncus) and posteroventrad (brachium), and not in the same direction; (4) bases of uncus and brachium that are weakly fused, with weaker sclerotization at the base of brachium; (5) two continuous yellow stripes dorsally from head to thorax, instead of separate spots; (6) more slender wings with longer tails; (7) smaller marginal yellow spots on the forewing; (8) a background-colored spot on yellow central band in cell R_5-M_1 that is larger, with better defined edges; (9) a sub-marginal forewing band mostly of 3 spots, not 4; (10) a black median band on ventral hindwing that is more expressed and straight; (11) a COI DNA barcode sequence that differs by about 3%. Seventeen positions are consistently invariant in either *H. rumiko* or *H. cresphontes*, but different between them on a sample of 183 *H. rumiko* and 112 *H. cresphontes* specimens across the range (Figs 17, 18, Suppl. material 1). These 17 positions are listed here in the format “k X (not Y)”, where k is a sequential number of the position (numbering is from 1 to 658 for the barcode sequence of *H. rumiko* holotype shown above), X is a nucleotide in *H. rumiko* barcodes and Y is a nucleotide in *H. cresphontes* barcodes: 10 T (not C), 19 T (not C), 79 C (not T), 82 C (not T), 106 T (not C), 223 T (not C), 235 T (not C), 238 T (not A), 286 C (not T), 287 C (not T), 319 A (not C), 340 C (not T), 364 C (not T), 433 A (not G), 616 C (not T), 628 A (not G), 640 T (not C). While these positions distinguish the two species in a sample of 295 specimens, some of the positions may show variation when a larger sample of sequence is accumulated.

Female genitalia are very variable in both species (Fig. 12), and we were not able to find differences between the two species. Also, due to significant variation in many characters, not all specimens might be readily identifiable, especially in central Texas, where *H. rumiko* and *H. cresphontes* likely hybridize at least to some extent as judged from intermediate characters in some specimens (Fig. 11E). Male genitalia, stripes on

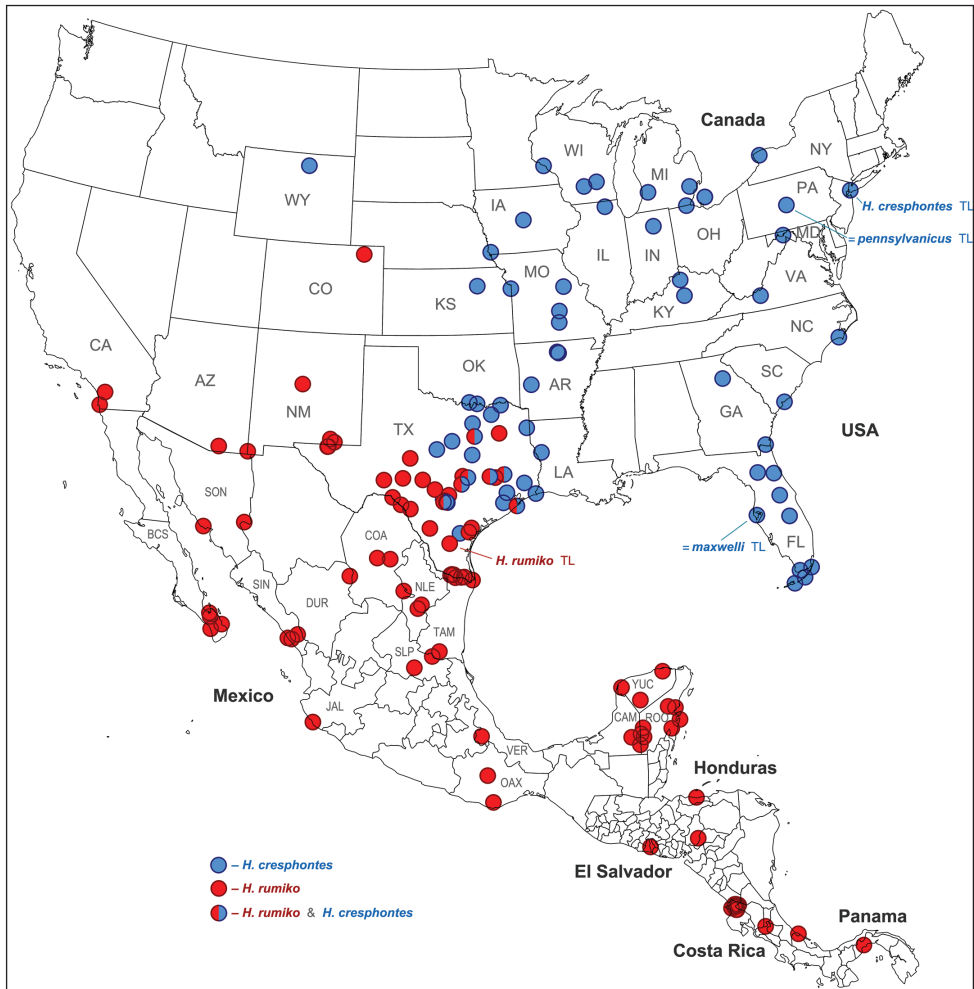


Figure 18. Localities of *H. crespontes* and *H. rumiko* specimens with available DNA barcode information. Color of circles corresponds to species: *H. crespontes* - blue (based on 112 DNA COI barcode sequences, 103 obtained in this work); *H. rumiko* - red (based on 183 barcodes, 146 obtained in this work), split red/blue circles mark localities where both *H. crespontes* and *H. rumiko* were recorded. Type localities for taxa with available names are indicated with a corresponding name followed by “TL”. We treat *Papilio crespontes* var. *maxwelli* Franck, 1919 & *Papilio crespontes pennsylvanicus* F. Chermock & R. Chermock, 1945 as junior subjective synonyms of *H. crespontes*. Countries and states (for USA and Mexico) with records are labeled.

the neck and DNA barcodes are the most reliable characters for identification. Genitalia morphometrics involving 3 measures completely separates the two species (excluding specimens from central Texas) with a hiatus between them when a weighted sum of the 3 measures is used (Fig. 11E, along horizontal axis). None of the three measures is sufficient when used separately due to variation. The best of the three, the angle be-

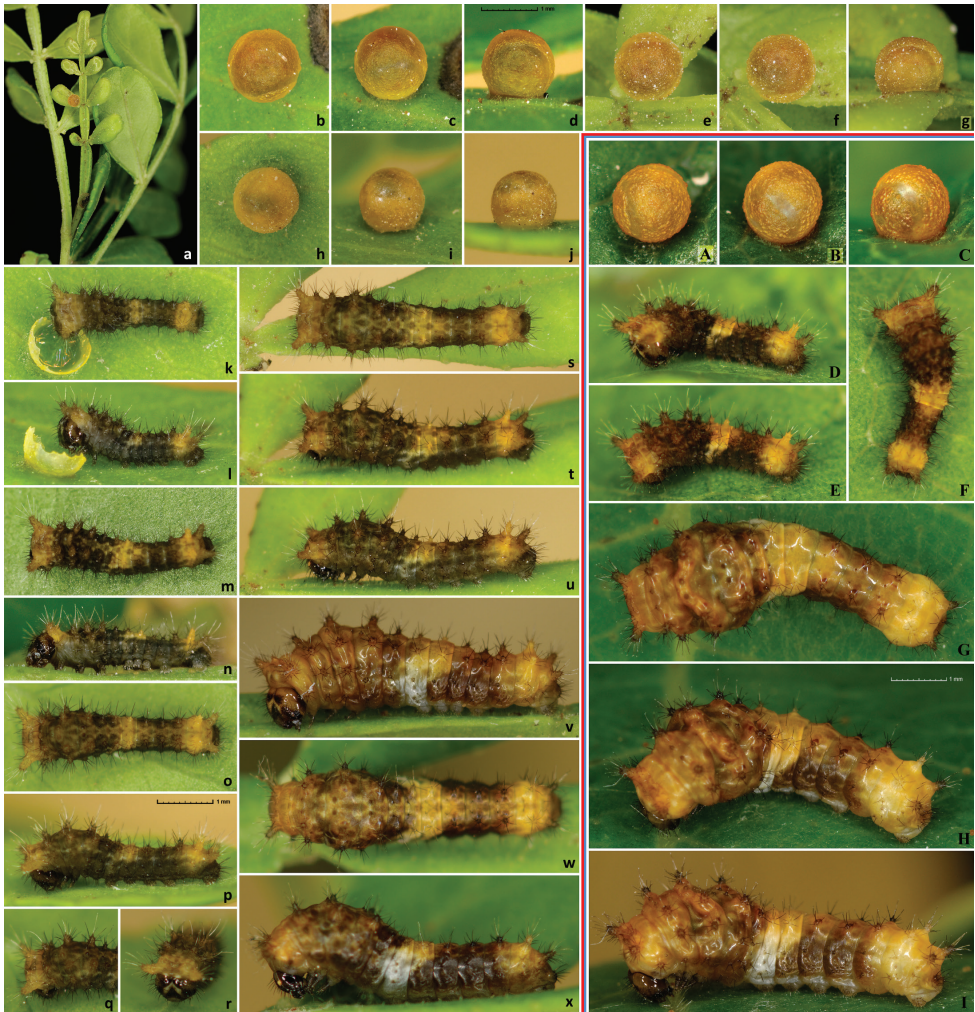


Figure 19. Life history: eggs and 1st instar caterpillars. **a–x** *H. rumiko* types, USA: TX: Duval Co., Benavides **A–I** *H. crespontes*, USA: TX: Denton Co., Grapevine Lake, Murrell Park **a–j**, **A–C** ova; **k–x**, **D–I** 1st instar caterpillars; 1 mm scale shown on panels **d**, **p** and **H** refers to all images except **a**, which shows a typical position for an egg on a fresh leaf. In Figs 19–23, dorsal, dorsolateral, and lateral views are shown for most individuals, supplemented with anterior and posterior views for some caterpillars. Sexes and voucher numbers (where available) and dates: **a**, **e–g** paratype ♀ NVG-2564, 19-Apr-2014 **b–d** holotype ♂ NVG-2565, 19-Apr-2014; **h–l** paratype ♀ NVG-2563, 19-Apr-2014 (**h–j**), ♀ NVG-2563, 20-Apr-2014 (**k–l**) **m–n** paratype ♂ NVG-2559, 19-Apr-2014 **o–r** paratype ♀ NVG-2564, 22-Apr-2014 **s–u** paratype ♂ NVG-2559, 20-Apr-2014 **v** holotype ♂ NVG-2565, 25-Apr-2014 **w–x** paratype ♂ NVG-2559, 22-Apr-2014 **A–I** ♂ NVG-2760, 16-Jun-2014 (**A–C**), 19-Jun-2014 (**D–F**), 21-Jun-2014 (**G–I**).

tween uncus and brachium in lateral view, identifies all specimens but one. The failed specimen possesses brachium strongly curved dorsad, but other two measures in its genitalia correctly identify this specimen. Linear combination of the measures is more

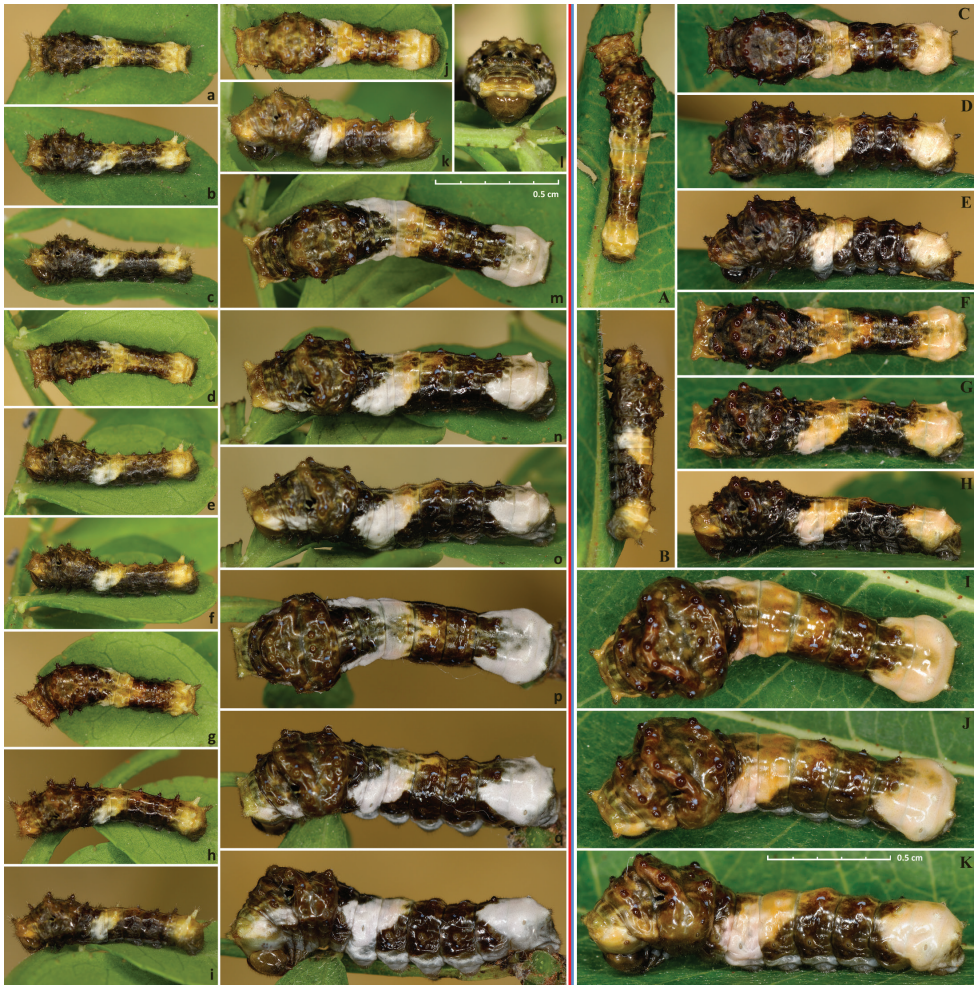


Figure 20. Life history: 2nd and 3rd instar caterpillars. **a–r** *H. rumiko*, USA: TX: Duval Co., Bena-vides **A–K** *H. cresphontes*, USA: TX: Denton Co., Grapevine Lake, Murrell Park **a–k**, **A–E** 2nd and **k–r**, **F–K** 3rd instar caterpillars; 0.5 cm scale shown on panels **m** and **K** refers to all images. Sexes and voucher numbers (where available) and dates: **a–c** paratype ♀ NVG-2564, 25-Apr-2014 **d–f** paratype ♀ NVG-2563, 25-Apr-2014 **g–i** larva #7 (died), 29-Apr-2014 **j–k** paratype ♂ NVG-2559, 25-Apr-2014 **l–o** paratype ♂ NVG-2559, 27-Apr-2014 **p–r** paratype ♀ NVG-2564, 29-Apr-2014 **A–B**, **F–K** ♂ NVG-2760, 22-Jun-2014 (**A–B**), 24-Jun-2014 (**F–H**), 26-Jun-2014 (**I–K**) **C–E** ♀ NVG-2741, 16-Jun-2014.

robust to variation than a single measure and should be used for more confident identification. Similar results were obtained with a combination of 4 facies measures, one of which was the continuity of the stripe on the neck (Fig. 11E, along vertical axis).

Life history, foodplants, and phenology (Figs 19–24). The following observations were made in Texas and southern California. Eggs are laid singly on young leaves (Fig.

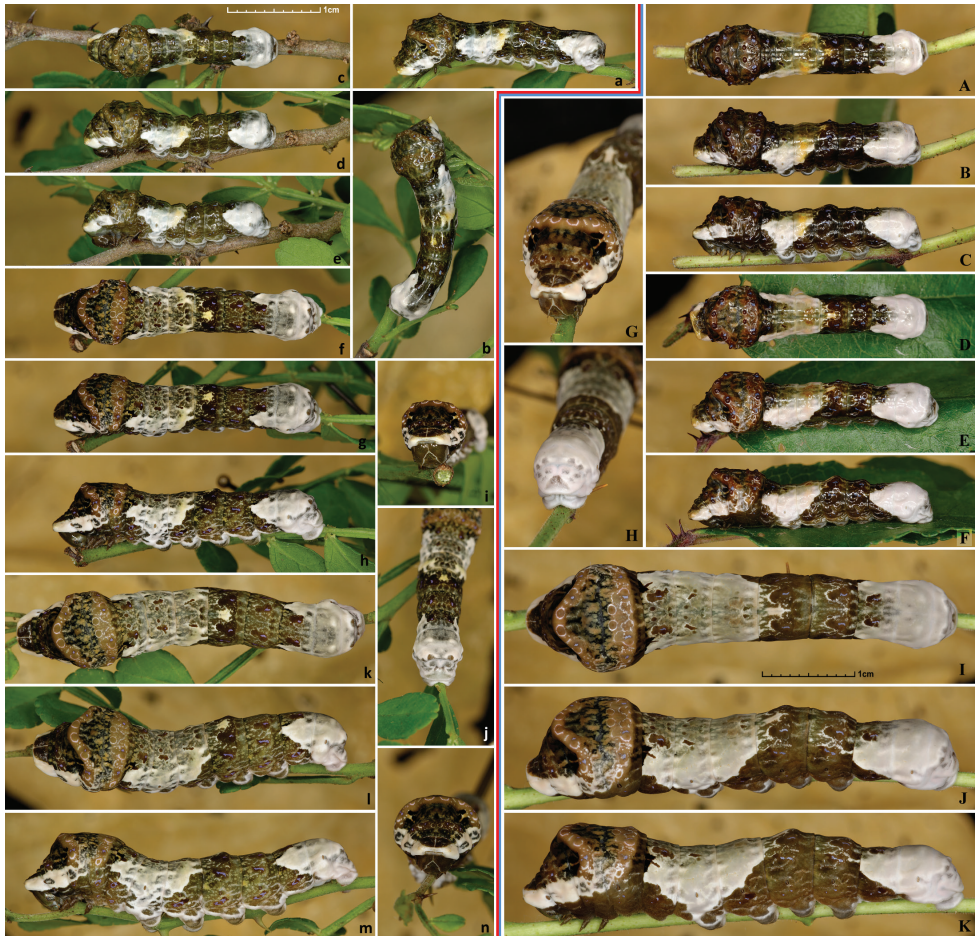


Figure 21. Life history: 4th and 5th instar caterpillars. **a–n** *H. rumiko*, USA: TX: Duval Co., Bena-vides **A–K** *H. crespontes*, USA: TX: Denton Co., Grapevine Lake, Murrell Park **a–e**, **A–F** 4th and **f–n**, **G–K** 5th instar caterpillars; 1 cm scale shown on panels **c** and **I** refers to all images. Sexes and voucher numbers (where available) and dates: **a–b**, **f–n** is the same individual (larva #2, died, shown in Fig. 22 a–c), 24-Apr-2014 (**a–b**), 29-Apr-2014 (**f–j**), 29-Apr-2014 (**k–n**) **c–e** larva #1 (died), 24-Apr-2014 **A–C** ♂ NVG-2740, 16-Jun-2014 **D–F** ♀ NVG-2741, 21-Jun-2014 **G–K** ♀ NVG-2741, 26-Jun-2014.

19a) and shoots of the host plants from Rutaceae family: *Zanthoxylum fagara* [L.] Sarg, *Ptelea trifoliata* L., *Amyris texana* (Buckley) P. Wilson, and *Casimiroa greggii* (S. Watson) F. Chiang in Texas, or *Ruta graveolens* L. and *Citrus* spp. in both states, and likely others. For instance, ovipositions were recorded on *Geijera parviflora* Lindl. in Tucson, Pima Co., Arizona and females were observed around these trees in Los Angeles County, CA (Brian Banker, personal observations). Eggs are round, 1.1–1.6 mm in diameter, coated with a substance giving the surface a granular appearance (Fig. 19b–j). Color of egg is pale yellow when laid, gradually changing to dull orange-brown. *H. rumiko* eggs are typically smaller



Figure 22. Life history: 5th instar caterpillars and prepupae. **a–j** *H. rumiko*, USA: TX: Duval Co., Benavides **A–K** *H. cresphontes*, USA: TX: Denton Co., Grapevine Lake, Murrell Park **a–h, A–J** 5th instar caterpillars and **i–j, K** prepupae; 1 cm scale shown on panels **a** and **K** refers to all images. Sexes and voucher numbers (where available) and dates: **a–c** larva #2, died (shown in Fig. 21a–b, f–n), 1-May-2013 **d–h** paratype ♀ NVG-2564, 11-May-2014 (adult Figs 9, 10) **i–j** paratype ♂ NVG-2559, 11-May-2014 **A–E** 26-Jun-2014 **F–K** ♂ NVG-2740, 21-Jun-2014 (**F–J**) & 23-Jun-2014 (**K**).

than *H. cresphontes* eggs and are finer grained on the surface (Fig. 19A–C). Eggs hatch in 7–10 days. Prior to hatching, larval head can be seen through the eggshell.

Larva eats egg shell upon hatching (Fig. 19k, l). 1st instar is 3–5 mm in length (Fig. 19k–x), covered with prominent setae, head capsule yellow-brown with dark-brown spots and paler caret in the middle, body pattern resembles bird-droppings similarly



Figure 23. Life history: pupae. **a–l** *H. rumiko* types, USA: TX: Duval Co., Benavides **A–F** *H. cresphontes*, USA: TX: Denton Co., Grapevine Lake, Murrell Park; 1 cm scale shown on panels **b** and **l** refers to all images. Sexes and voucher numbers (where available) and dates: **a–c** holotype ♂ NVG-2565, 17-May-2014 **d–f** paratype ♂ NVG-2559, 17-May-2014 **g–i** paratype ♀ NVG-2563, 17-May-2014 **j–l** paratype ♀ NVG-2564, 17-May-2014 (adult Figs 9, 10) **A–F** 28-Sep-2014 **D–F** ♂ NVG-2740, 26-Jun-2014.

to many other *Papilionidae*. Larva bears this pattern through the end of development, but it changes somewhat between instars. 2nd instar is 5–11 mm (Fig. 20a–l), head from this instar on is uniformly brownish without darker spots. 3rd instar is 11–16mm (Fig. 20k–r), 4th instar is 16–30.0 mm (Fig. 21a–e), and 5th instar is 30–50 mm (Figs 21f–n, 22a–h). While the first 4 instars appear shiny, the 5th one is matte. Larval growth is



Figure 24. Foodplants most commonly used by *Heraclides* caterpillars. **a–c** *Zanthoxylum fagara* [L.] Sarg (Colima, Lime Prickly-ash), USA: TX: Duval Co., Benavides, 19-Apr-2014, used by *H. rumiko* **A–C** *Zanthoxylum clava-herculis* L. (Hercules’s club, Pepperwood), USA: TX: Denton Co., Grapevine Lake, Murrell Park, 26-Apr-2014, used by *H. crespontes*.

rapid under indoor rearing condition with ambient room temperature, taking only about 9 days to reach ultimate instar. When a late instar larva is startled, it lifts its head and inflates the thorax, revealing the eyespots on meta-thorax (Fig. 22g). If disturbed further, it everts red osmeterium from behind the head. Early instar larva tends to use osmeterium right away when disturbed, and osmeterium of the first instar is yellowish. Right before pupation, the color of larva changes little, still resembling bird droppings (Fig. 22i, j), but becoming slightly more uniform and paler. Much more drastic prepupal color changes are observed in some other Papilionidae, such as *Pterourus rutulus* (Lucas, 1852) and *Pt. eurymendon* (Lucas, 1852), whose larvae turn from green to brown (Shiraiwa 2009). Since the larva is searching for suitable pupation sites on brown tree branches rather than green leaves, such color change is adaptive. Ultimate instar *Heraclides* larvae are already brown and rest on branches and not leaves to begin with. *H. cresphontes* caterpillars (Figs 19D–I, 20A–K, 21A–K, 22A–K) are very similar to *H. rumiko*, but most caterpillars are browner, more vividly colored and are less gray and less green, especially in the ultimate instar.

Pupa, 26–36mm in length (Fig. 23a–l), is mottled pale to grayish and dark brown, resembling surface of a tree or branch it is attached to. Some pupae develop greenish-olive spots (Fig. 23d–f). The darkness of a pupa is frequently determined by the color of the surface it rests on. E.g., the darkest pupa was formed on a dark branch (Fig. 23g–i). The palest one (Fig. 23j–l) is attached to a pale-green paper sheet covering the pupation container with the goal to induce a pale pupa. The pupa on a branch with greenish lichens developed the largest amount of green (Fig. 23d–e). *H. cresphontes* pupae are very similar, but are typically larger (Fig. 23D–F), although poor foodplant condition could result in smaller pupae (Fig. 23A–C). Adult either emerges from pupa in 1 to 2 weeks, or pupa goes into diapause for several months. Pupae overwinter. Pupae can be brought out of diapause prematurely with increase of temperature (Brian Banker, unpublished). Due to dark coloration of pupal wing cases, it is difficult to see when the adult is ready to eclose. The best indicator of pupae being near eclosion might be the dark stripe showing through the median on the dorsal side of an abdomen, which are usually paler and most transparent in pupae.

In south Texas (e.g., near the type locality in Duval County), *H. rumiko* larvae are found on small to medium size Colima shrubs, *Zanthoxylum fagara* [L.] Sarg (Fig. 24a–d) throughout ranches and particularly along the roads, which males use as flying corridors. Early instar larvae rest on leaves, ultimate instar caterpillars rest on branches, which they resemble in color. Adults can be found on wing during most of the year except the coldest months. Adults are more common from April to September, when emergences peak every 1.5 months with exact timing dictated by the severity of winter and the amount of rain. In southern California adults fly from late February through mid-November. In San Diego, California, the larvae are often found on citrus trees in gardens and orchards. The adults frequent the cities where many ornamental citrus plants grow, and the number of adults seen increases during August and September. *H. cresphontes* in Texas uses Pepperwood *Zanthoxylum clava-herculis* L. (Fig. 24A–D) as the major caterpillar host.

Taxonomic adjustments in *Heraclides*

Subgenera of *Heraclides*. To gain better understanding of *Heraclides* taxonomy, we determined new and retrieved available COI DNA barcodes for a number of species and subspecies from the Tribe Papilionini. The resulting distance dendrogram and trees are shown in Figs 15, 16. Although our results are not expected to fully reflect phylogeny accurately due to short length of DNA barcodes (654 base pairs) and possible discordance between mitochondrial and nuclear genomes, it agrees very well with the results obtained on a much larger sample of positions (Zakharov et al. 2004)—i.e., the three genera of Neotropical Papilionini: *Papilio* Linnaeus, 1758, *Pterourus* Scopoli, 1777, and *Heraclides* Hübner, [1819] are monophyletic and well-separated in all analyses and with all substitution models. Topology within each genus also mostly agrees with that obtained previously (Zakharov et al. 2004), although position of certain branches like *Pt. esperanza* (Beutelspacher, 1975) and *Pt. homerus* (Fabricius, 1793) might have been influenced by long branch attraction in some trees (Figs 15, 16). The differences in topology between the trees obtained by different methods are mostly confined to less confident nodes as judged by Bootstrap, Posterior probability and Bremer support values, and typically involve the order of basal branching in each genus or near the leaves of the tree (between subspecies). It should be noted that to simplify illustrations, each taxon is represented by a single sequence on Figs 15 and 16a–b. However, for most taxa we obtained (Suppl. material 1) and analyzed several sequences frequently from different localities.

Species in the genus *Heraclides* group into five prominent clades that can be treated as subgenera (Fig. 15). Four of these subgenera have been named: the nominate (type species: *H. thoas*); *Calaides* Hübner, [1819] (type species: *Heraclides androgeus* (Cramer, 1775)); *Troilides* Hübner, [1825] (type species: *Troilides tros* Hübner, [1825], considered a subjective synonym of *H. torquatus polybius* (Swainson, 1823)); *Priamides* Hübner, [1819] (type species: *Priamides hipponous* Hübner, [1819], considered a subjective synonym of *H. anchisiades anchisiades* (Esper, 1788)). The fifth subgenus is unnamed and consists of a single species, *H. hyppason* (Cramer, 1775), which is characterized by unique phenotype, thus it is not surprising that it stands out from the rest. Statistical support for the relationships between the five subgenera is low, and their branching order is inconsistent between different methods, except that *Troilides* is a likely sister of *Priamides*. Therefore we show the rest as a quadfurcation in the dendrogram (Fig. 15), assuming the order between them unresolved. Interestingly, in many analyses, *H. hyppason* was placed as a sister to *Heraclides* (Fig. 16a) despite significant differences in facies. This placement of *H. hyppason* was also suggested by Lewis et al. (2014). Regardless of its exact placement, both studies suggest significant divergence of *H. hyppason* from other taxa, also apparent from its facies.

Subgenus *Heraclides*. Species with available barcode sequences in the subgenus *Heraclides* can be partitioned into five species groups. The crespontes group includes

four species: *H. cresphontes*, *H. rumiko*, *H. homothoas*, and *H. melonius*. Relationships between them are statistically unresolved, but the tree topology is reasonable. *H. melonius* splits out first, in agreement with its isolation in Jamaica and more significant differences in genitalia of both sexes: e.g., long pseuduncus (*H. melonius* was originally described as a subspecies of *H. thoas*), harpe with a terminal knob, vestigial labella postvaginalis, and much enlarged vestibular plates. *H. rumiko* is a sister to *H. cresphontes* in accord with pronounced similarities between these two species.

Analysis of the *thoas* group revealed that the Cuban taxon is very distant from the rest, showing more than 5% difference in COI barcodes, a difference much larger than the divergence within the *cresphontes* group falling within 3.5% (Figs 15, 16). This barcode difference correlates well with pronounced genitalic differences, both in males and females: valva is more elongated and with a longer harpe extending into a terminal spine almost reaching the distal end of valva; lamella postvaginalis is smaller and vestibular plates are more robust with larger, and almost square, inner lateral processes. Its wings are characterized by deeper yellow ventral side with prominent blue patches on hindwing. These differences imply that *Heraclides oviedo* (Gundlach, 1866), **reinstated status**, is a strongly differentiated species and not a subspecies of *H. thoas*.

In agreement with Lewis et al. (2014), endemics of Hispaniola and Cuba *H. aristor* and *H. caiguanabus* fall within the subgenus *Heraclides*, and we define the *aristor* group to encompass these two sister species (Fig. 15). The exact placement of this clade within the subgenus was inconsistent between different methods and parameter sets, but it is possible that they are closer related to *cresphontes* and *thoas* groups than the *paeon* group (Fig. 16). Indeed, morphologically, these Caribbean species are similar to *H. cresphontes* and *H. thoas* (e.g., more robust uncus is more similar to *H. thoas* than to *H. paeon*), but appear visually distinct due to the absence of the central band across wings.

The *machaonides* group consists of two species: *H. machaonides* (Esper, 1796) and very distant from it *H. andraemon* Hübner, [1823] with its three subspecies: nominate, *H. a. bonhotei* (Sharpe, 1900), and *H. a. tailori* (Rothschild & Jordan, 1906), which are rather close to each other in DNA barcodes (within 1.5%). Limited divergence in DNA is consistent with morphological similarities, and these three taxa are best treated as subspecies of *H. andraemon*.

Subgenus *Calaides*. While we have not performed detailed analysis of other subgenera in *Heraclides*, we notice and correct two inconsistencies between the current taxonomy and similarities of DNA barcodes in the subgenus *Calaides* (Figs 15, 16). In agreement with Lewis et al. (2014), we see that *Heraclides astyalus* (Godart, 1819) is paraphyletic with regard to *Heraclides ornythion* (Boisduval, 1836) (Figs 15, 16). Thus, *H. pallas* (G. Gray, [1853]), **reinstated status**, with its subspecies *H. p. bajaensis* (J. Brown & Faulkner, 1992), **new combination**, are not conspecific with *H. astyalus* (Godart, 1819). Indeed, DNA barcode difference between *H. pallas* and *H. astyalus* is 4.6%, which is significantly larger than the 2.6% between *H. pallas* and *H. ornythion*. In male genitalia, *H. pallas* differs from *H. astyalus* in having a thicker and shorter spike on the ventral side of harpe (the spike does not extend

much past the harpe distal end), and the rasp-like ridge of harpe is perpendicular to the smooth edge of harpe (Lewis 2010, Rothschild and Jordan 1906). In *H. astyalus*, the spike protrudes distad clearly beyond the end of harpe and almost reaches the edge of valva, and the rasp-like ridge of harpe is almost parallel to the smooth edge of harpe (Lewis 2010, Rothschild and Jordan 1906). In female genitalia of *H. pallas*, the inner lateral processes of the vestibular plates are wider, with a larger number of smaller teeth at the edges (Lewis 2010). Furthermore, we see (Figs 15, 16) that *H. anchicayaensis* Constantino, Le Crom & Salazar, 2002, **new status**, described from western Colombia and characterized by narrower bands and dorsal hindwing submarginal lunules differs by 3.5% in barcode from *H. astyalus* populations, which have very similar barcodes from Colombia to Argentina in all three subspecies. Additionally, *H. anchicayaensis* is apparently sympatric with *H. astyalus hippomedon* (C. Felder & R. Felder, 1859) in Colombia (Lewis 2010).

Discrepancy between barcodes and morphology. Generally, we see excellent agreement of the DNA barcode trees (Figs 15, 16) with phylogeny obtained on longer sequences (Zakharov et al. 2004) and traditional views about relationships between Papilionini (Tyler et al. 1994). However, the most obvious discrepancy is the placement of *H. garleppi* (Staudinger, 1892) within *Priamides* by DNA barcodes, while wing patterns (and traditional view based on similarities to *H. torquatus* (Cramer, 1777)) argue for its affinity with *Troilides* (Lewis 2010, Tyler et al. 1994). It has been suggested that *H. garleppi* might be a hybrid (Tyler et al. 1994), or a taxon of hybrid origin. Distinctness of genitalia and DNA barcodes argues that it is a good species, but the presence of a barcode very different from *H. torquatus* may indeed suggest hybridizations leading to the origin of this species. This discrepancy between barcodes and morphology needs to be investigated, but Lewis et al. (2014) show the same position of *H. garleppi* in their tree as in ours, and their results use morphological characters in addition to DNA barcodes. Regardless of such discrepancies, the major conclusions of this section, while hinted by DNA barcodes, are substantiated by characters in male and female genitalia and facies, and are consistent with the knowledge about Papilionini from the literature (Tyler et al. 1994).

Synonymic list for the *H. crespontes* group

To summarize the nomenclature of the *H. crespontes* group, we provide a synonymic list of its species. Name combination from the original description is used for each synonym (= subjective synonyms; =† objective synonyms; =‡ unavailable names) and for species is given after “|”. Format of the data: reference to the description | category of a primary type (**HT** holotype, **ST** syntypes, **LT** lectotype, **NT** neotype) - type locality; collection where primary types are stored. Inferred information is placed in brackets []. Type locality is given as a geographic position, not verbatim from the original description.

Genus ***Heraclides*** Hübner, [1819]

Verz. bekannt. Schmett. (2): 83-84. Type species: *Papilio thoas* Linnaeus, 1771; designated by Scudder (1875) Proc. Am. Acad. Arts Sci., Boston 10(2): 187, no. 517

Subgenus ***Heraclides*** Hübner, [1819]

=†*Thoas* Swainson, 1833

Zool. Illustr. (2)3(26): pl. 121, unnumbered text. Type species: *Papilio thoas* Linnaeus, 1771; by tautonymy

cresphontes species group

Heraclides cresphontes Cramer, [1777] | *Pap[ilio]. Equ[es]. Archiv[us]. Cresphontes* | Eastern Giant Swallowtail

Uitl. Kapellen 2(14): 106-107, pl. 165 f. A ♀ D&V, pl. 166 f. B ♂ D (LT) | **NT** - USA: NY: Brooklyn; USNM

=†*Heraclides Oxilus* Hübner, [1819]

Verz. bek. Schmett. (2): 83 (replacement name for *H. cresphontes*)

=‡*Papilio cresphontes* ab. (nov.) *lurida* Schultz, 1908

Entomol. Z. 22(23): 92 | **ST** - "North America"; ? ; assignment to *H. cresphontes* is speculative

=‡*Papilio thoas cresphontes* ab. *luxuriosa* Reiff, 1911

Z. wiss. InsektBiol. 7(5/6): 159 | **HT** - USA: MI: Detroit; MCZ

=‡*Papilio cresphontes* ab. *intacta* Strand, 1918

Soc. Ent. 33(12): 47; referred to Seitz (1907) Gross-Schmett. Erde 5: pl. 7 f. a [2] | **ST** - ? ; ?

= *Papilio cresphontes* var. *maxwelli* Franck, 1919

Bull. Brooklyn Ent. Soc. 14(1): 3, f. 2 ♂ D (HT) | **HT** - USA: FL: Pinellas Co., St. Petersburg; USNM

=‡*Papilio cresphontes* tr. f. *forsythae* Gunder, 1933

Can. Ent. 65(8): 171 | **HT** - USA: FL: Miami-Dade Co., Florida City; AMNH

= *Papilio cresphontes pennsylvanicus* Chermock & Chermock, 1945

Proc. Penn. Acad. Sci. 19: 38-39 | **HT** - USA: PA: Centre Co., State College; CMNH

Heraclides rumiko Shiraiwa & Grishin, 2014 | *Heraclides rumiko* | Western Giant Swallowtail

ZooKeys 468: 85-135 | **HT** - USA: TX: Duval Co., Benavides; USNM

=‡*Papilio cresphontes* forma *melanurus* Hoffmann, 1940

An. Inst. Biol. Univ. Méx. 11(2): 633-634 | **ST** - Mexico, Guerrero; AMNH

Heraclides homothoas (Rothschild & Jordan, 1906) | *Papilio homothoas* | False Giant Swallowtail

Novit. Zool. 13(3): 561-562, no. 67 | **ST** - Venezuela: Ciudad Bolivar, Lower Orinoco; BMNH

Heraclides melonius (Rothschild & Jordan, 1906) | *Papilio thoas melonius* | Jamaican Giant Swallowtail

Novit. Zool. 13(3): 556, no. 66a | **HT** - Jamaica; BMNH

Discussion

The Giant Swallowtail *H. cresphontes* is one of the largest butterflies in the United States, found mainly in the eastern US, from southern Canada to Florida and central Texas (Figs 14, 18). In this study, we assembled evidence that the North American southwest, from California to central Texas and south to Panama, is inhabited by its sister cryptic species (Bickford et al. 2007) that we named *H. rumiko*. It is rather unusual for such a large butterfly species to remain unnamed, at least as a subspecies, but its superficial similarity to *H. cresphontes* is a likely explanation. The two species differ from each other very subtly. They are mostly allopatric, and their ranges overlap in central Texas, around San Antonio and Austin, where both species are equally common and most likely hybridize (Fig. 11E). It is unclear why *H. cresphontes* does not disperse south and *H. rumiko* does not invade north, because they are excellent fliers and are likely to produce viable hybrids like many other Papilionidae do. In this section, we raise more speculative points about taxonomy, speciation, and evolution.

Heraclides vs. *Papilio* s. l.

We follow Tyler et al. (1994) and Lamas (2004) in dividing Neotropical Papilionini into three genera: *Papilio*, *Pterourus*, and *Heraclides*. All recent studies show that these genera are monophyletic, can be defined by synapomorphies, and include sufficient number of species in each genus to be meaningful (Caterino and Sperling 1999, Zakharov et al. 2004, Simonsen et al. 2011). In some recent works, *Papilio* sensu lato is used as a genus that absorbs these three genera (Simonsen et al. 2011, Lewis et al. 2014). However, an unusual situation emerges when a subgenus name (i.e., *Heraclides*) is referred to more frequently in such works, and is therefore more instructive than the genus name. The level at which phylogenetic hierarchy is cut through to define genera is arbitrary and is for convenience of communication. Therefore, genera can be chosen as the most informative and major clades of species below the family and tribe levels. We think that for the New World representatives of the tribe Papilionini, *Papilio*, *Pterourus*, and *Heraclides* offer the most informative groupings, both from morphological and molecular standpoints.

First, divergence within each of the three genera is already very significant, reaching 10% sequence difference in the COI DNA barcode. In recent work on Lycaenidae, new criteria were proposed to delineate genera, i.e., “genera can be recognized as those lineages that originated in the late Miocene (older than 5 Myr)” (Talavera et al. 2012). Many of such genera differ by 6% and less in the barcodes. While we are not suggesting the use of a stringent universal time or DNA sequence difference threshold for genera identification, some consistency in genetic divergence across butterfly groups seems appealing. The age of *Papilio* s. l. has been estimated at over 50 Myr (Zakharov et al. 2004). Even the age of *Heraclides* was suggested to exceed 20 Myr (Lewis et al. 2014). To put these estimates in perspective, divergence between *Homo* Linnaeus,

1758 and *Pan* Oken, 1816—the genus closest to *Homo*—is estimated to be about 10 Myr (Arnason et al. 1998) with COI barcode difference being about 10%.

Second, each of the three *Papilionini* genera can be further divided into meaningful subgenera to denote finer groupings of species that correlate with phylogeny and morphology. For instance, in *Heraclides*, our analysis supports five subgenera (Fig. 15): *Heraclides*, *Calaides*, *Troilides*, *Priamides*, and Unnamed (consists of *H. hypapason*). Below the subgenus level, we also see instructive species groups, for instance, the Giant Swallowtails: Eastern (*H. cresphontes*), Western (*H. rumiko*), False (*H. homothoas*), and Jamaican (*H. melonius*), form a distinct cluster that can be recognized (Figs 15, 16). While we are not aiming to name every node in the tree, this three-level system (genus, subgenus, species group) for *Papilionini* covers major phylogenetic clades and may be sufficient.

Third, the most important utility about using the three genera instead of *Papilio* s.l. is the gain of a taxonomic hierarchy level to describe complex phylogenetic relationships within *Papilionini*. When *Papilio* s.l. is used, it equates to the tribe (tribe = one genus) and we essentially lose a classification level and thus the ability to describe the finer phylogenetic structure of the tree by names. For all these reasons, we think that the simple three-genus system of the native New World *Papilionini* will stand the test of time.

Species vs. subspecies

In contrast to genus, species is a more objective biological category. A number of species concepts has been proposed (De Queiroz 2007), with the most popular one being biological. A species is a group of populations capable of interbreeding, but reproductively isolated from all other such groups (Mayr 1963: 12, 14). However, if this concept was truly objective and evolutionary processes stood still, there would be few arguments about species boundaries. Due to ongoing speciation, some groups of populations are in transition. It is very challenging, if not impossible, to decide if they fully crossed the speciation barrier, i.e., developed certain incompatibilities that prevent interbreeding. Additional complexities are caused by the fact that many different species can readily hybridize when opportunities allow (Mallet 2008, Zinner et al. 2011). It is frequently difficult to determine whether the hybrids are characterized by reduced fitness and what amount of fitness loss in hybrids equates complete speciation. Moreover, recent developments in genomics suggest that inter-species hybridization may play a very significant role in evolution, giving an opportunity for closely related species to exchange advantageous genes, e.g., those responsible for mimicry (*Heliconius* Genome Consortium 2012).

While hybridization experiments followed by fitness measurements in hybrids and backcrosses may be decisive in delineating species boundaries, phenotypic differences and genetic divergence are used as more practical criteria. If two populations of the same species have spent significant time in isolation, mutations randomly accumulating

in them are likely to cause incompatibilities upon interbreeding, leading to speciation. Some mutations may also cause phenotypic effects, allowing researchers to recognize species by morphological characters. Gene regions rich in neutral mutations, such as the COI barcode, are used as yardsticks to estimate divergence between populations. Larger divergence between populations indicates higher chance of speciation. No universal threshold for divergence to mean speciation is possible. Recently formed species may have identical DNA barcodes. High barcode variability within population may lead to conspecific individuals with large barcode differences. To derive sensible conclusions, comparison of barcode variation within and between populations is necessary. Since similar evolutionary mechanisms frequently occur in related organisms, evaluation of barcode variability across the genus is desirable. Finally, correlation between DNA differences and morphological differences is most effective for delineation of species.

In many animals, allopatric populations of the same species characterized by measurable morphological differences, such as those in shapes and colors, are frequently named as subspecies. Typically, subspecies diverged in morphology very recently. Therefore, differences between their DNA barcodes are small compared to those between species. Some of these subspecies are on a path to speciation. Given longer time, and thus more mutations accumulating in the DNA barcode, reproductive incompatibility between these populations will arise. Random extinctions of various populations prune phylogenetic tree and lead to formation of discrete clades that form various clusters. Comparative analysis of these clades and clusters suggests taxonomic hypotheses.

We applied these ideas to selected Neotropical representatives of the tribe Papilionini (Fig. 15–17). We see that differences between subspecies (nodes leading to subspecies are colored green) are mostly within 1.0%. For instance, *Pt. glaucus glaucus* (Linnaeus, 1758) and *Pt. glaucus maynardi* (Gauthier, 1984) barcodes differ by 0.2%, or just 1 base pair. On the other hand, differences between species (nodes leading to species are colored red) are typically above 2%. For example, barcode of *Pt. glaucus glaucus* differs from barcode of *Pt. canadensis* (Rothschild & Jordan, 1906) by 2.1%, or 14 bp. We noticed several instances of taxa previously treated as subspecies with barcode differences between 2.5% and 5.2% from their respective nominate subspecies (names highlighted orange in Fig. 15). Analysis of their genitalia revealed differences comparable in magnitude to those characteristic of species. Combining the evidence from wing patterns, genitalia and DNA barcodes, we proposed species status for these taxa, as detailed in the Results section.

DNA barcodes of *H. cresphontes* and *H. rumiko* show less than 0.5% difference within each species, but differ by 2.9% between them (Figs 15–17). This difference is comparable to those between other pairs of closely related species in Papilionini, e.g., *H. ornythion* vs. *H. pallas* (2.6%), *H. androgeus* vs. *H. thersites* (2.9%), and *H. multicaudata* vs. *H. canadensis* (2.8%), but significantly larger than differences between subspecies, e.g., of *H. androgeus* (0.3%–1.1%), *H. torquatus* (0.6%–1.1%), and *H. anchisiades* (<0.2%). *H. cresphontes* and *H. rumiko* differ in male genitalia, and most specimens can be told apart by spots vs. stripes on the neck, wing shape, and wing patterns. Therefore we proposed *H. rumiko* as a species. However, it is clear that it is

a close sister to *H. cressphontes*, and the two together may be considered a superspecies (Amadon 1966).

Distribution ranges of *H. cressphontes* and *H. rumiko* overlap in central Texas, mostly from Austin to Houston and San Antonio. The two species almost certainly hybridize where they meet. We see that some individuals from the overlap zone show intermediate characteristics and are probable hybrids (Fig. 11E). Despite probable interbreeding, the two taxa maintain integrity and do not absorb each other expanding the overlap zone, which suggests certain reproductive isolation. It is likely that their hybrids are characterized by reduced fitness, preventing the expansion of the overlap zone and free mixing of individuals across the entire ranges of the two species. The absence of broader overlap zone between the two haplotypes and the lack of variability in DNA barcodes within each species over thousands of miles is congruent with the genomic integrity species concept of Sperling (2003). This situation reminds one of the relationships between *Pt. canadensis* and *Pt. glaucus*, two species showing a 2.1% difference in the DNA barcode and diverged about 600,000 years ago (Zhang et al. 2013). This pair also has an overlap zone with frequent hybridization between species. Examples of different animal species that hybridize in parts of their ranges are not uncommon, and exist even in vertebrates. For instance, coyotes can interbreed with several species of wolves and descendants of these hybrids are known as coywolves (Hailer and Leonard 2008). Further study of how *H. cressphontes* and *H. rumiko* interact in the overlap zone is expected to yield insights into the mechanisms of speciation, isolation and maintenance of species integrity in the presence of hybridization.

Ultimately, there is no proof, but a hypothesis—or prediction—that we think has a better chance of standing the test of time. Given all the information we assembled, our bet is on the species (and not subspecies) status of *H. rumiko*, which offers a treatment more consistent with how other Papilionini are currently classified (Lamas 2004, Pelham 2008, Warren et al. 2014).

As a summary, we observe three levels of differentiation at and near the species level. First, there are clusters of populations with small genetic differences between them (mostly within 1% in COI barcodes, sometimes no difference at all), but certain geographic differences in wing patterns. These populations could be defined as subspecies. Next, there are groups with larger genetic differences (typically above 2% in COI barcodes, but could be less), frequently characterized by measurable differences in genitalia. These groups could be called species. Finally, several mostly allopatric species characterized by closely related phenotypes form very distinct genotypic groups (usually more than 5% in COI barcodes) could be termed a superspecies. All these levels are seen in *Heraclides* (Fig. 15).

Evolutionary speculations

The 3% difference in DNA barcodes of *H. cressphontes* and *H. rumiko* suggests that the two species diverged between 1 and 3 million years ago (April et al. 2013, Papado-

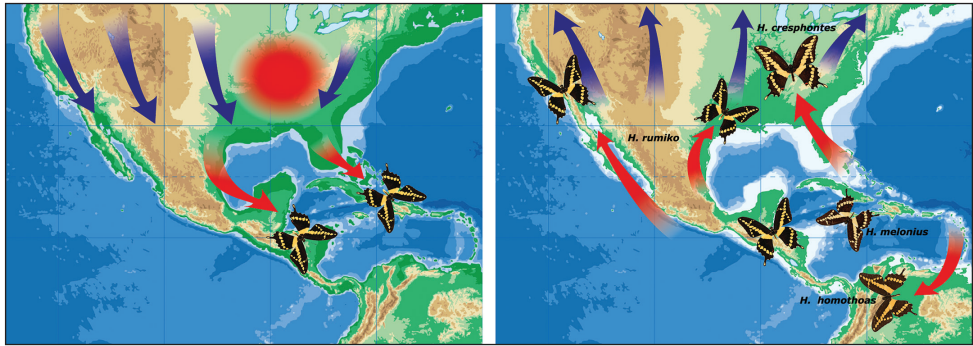


Figure 25. Speculations about origins of the *H. cressphontes* group species. Left panel: Ancestor of *H. cressphontes* might have originated in eastern North America (red area), speciating from a more southern *H. thoas*. During Pleistocene, glaciation and cooler climate (blue arrows) forced *H. cressphontes* ancestor south through two possible paths: to Mexico and to Florida-Caribbean islands (red arrows). Resulting populations got isolated and differentiated into four species. Right panel: With retreat of glaciation (blue arrows), eastern *H. cressphontes* moved back to eastern North America; southwestern *H. rumiko* moved north through west and east Mexico; *H. melonius* got trapped and speciated further in Jamaica. *H. homothoas* probably evolved in northern South America arriving from the Caribbean islands through Trinidad and moved north to Costa Rica thus overlapping with *H. rumiko* in distribution.

poulou et al. 2009, Zhang et al. 2013). We hypothesize that the speciation of the *H. cressphontes* group is linked to the Pleistocene glaciation (Fig. 25). Prior to glaciation, certain events lead to formation of the *H. thoas* group ancestor, probably the southern lineage, and the *H. cressphontes* group ancestor, probably the northern lineage inhabiting the territory of present-day USA. Formation of ice sheets from the north and colder climate gradually drove *H. cressphontes* populations south, dividing them into at least two groups. One group escaped into Mexico, and the other one was cornered in Florida and the Caribbean Islands, and, though them, went into South America. Due to lower sea levels, the Islands were larger and more accessible from the continent than they are today. Geographic isolation of these *H. cressphontes*-like populations resulted in the four species. Populations on Jamaica lead to *H. melonius*. South American populations speciated into *H. homothoas*. Floridian populations gave rise to *H. cressphontes*. Mexican, and probably the largest, segments developed into *H. rumiko*. With the ice retreat, species started to spread north. *H. homothoas* invaded Central America, *H. cressphontes* took most of the former range of the *H. cressphontes* group ancestor in eastern US, and met with *H. rumiko* in central Texas.

Limited dispersal and a need for USDA regulation

In our medium-scale barcoding study we didn't see any significant invasion of *H. cressphontes* and *H. rumiko* into each other's ranges (Fig. 18). Eastern populations were *H. cressphontes* and southwestern populations were *H. rumiko*. Specimens with both

barcodes were present only in central Texas. However, these butterflies are strong fliers and are known to travel long distances, even being somewhat migratory (Pyle 1981, Scott 1986). Most of the migratory movements seem to be directed north. One may assume that *H. rumiko* might fly from Texas northwards into the Great Plains. Nevertheless we have not found any *H. rumiko* specimens northeast of Texas. The northward movement in California seems to be also rare, perhaps due to the drier climate and lack of the host plants. Equally, we do not observe very frequent invasion of *H. cresphontes* to the west. Apparently, such dispersals are not common, and the two species remain mostly confined to their respective ranges. However, there is some indication that a limited dispersal takes place, shown by the two barcoded records outside the regular range of the two species: northern WY and northeastern CO, which were *H. cresphontes* and *H. rumiko* by the barcodes, respectively.

“Giant Swallowtail” is one of the species used in butterfly release ceremonies across the US. USDA lists *H. cresphontes* as one of the nine species of butterflies that can be transported across state lines and released into the wild under a permit (USDA 2012). Immature stages of *H. cresphontes* are available for purchase on the internet, ready to be shipped from one region of the country to another. Now, since we have shown that *H. cresphontes* is the species that is confined in its distribution to the eastern US (east of 100th Meridian), and *H. rumiko* is the southwestern US species, east-west movements of Giant Swallowtails should be controlled similarly to the Monarch (*Danaus plexippus* (Linnaeus, 1758)). In fact, we think that the Giant Swallowtail regulation will be more useful than the Monarch regulation, because of limited natural dispersal of the two *Heraclides* species. It may be important to discourage transport of Giant Swallowtails across 100th Meridian to prevent unnecessary mixing of the two species. That said, we do not favor the extreme step of shutting releases down, and firmly believe in collaboration between butterfly farmers, environmentalists, enthusiasts, and researchers. Butterfly releases increase awareness of nature and invertebrates, especially among people who may not otherwise be interested in insects. Thus releases serve an educational value, which should not be let go. Unless release practice reaches astronomically large proportions, their impact on natural insect populations will remain negligibly small.

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Supplementary material I

Supplementary Table 1

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Data type: specimen data.

Explanation note: Data for specimens with DNA sequences determined in this study.

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