



Revision of *Breda* and proposal of a new genus (Araneae: Salticidae)

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Abstract

The genus *Breda* Peckham & Peckham, 1894 is revised and nine valid species are redescribed and illustrated. The monotypic *Paradescanso* Vellard, 1924 is established as a new junior synonym of the genus. *Breda modesta* (Taczanowski, 1878) **comb. nov.** is transferred from *Balmaceda* Peckham & Peckham. The following synonymies are also established: *Paradescanso fallax* Vellard, 1924 = *Breda apicalis* Simon, 1901 **syn. nov.**; *B. quinquedentata* Badcock, 1932 = *B. apicalis* Simon, 1901 **syn. nov.**; *B. leucoprocta* Mello-Leitão, 1940 = *B. modesta* (Taczanowski, 1878) **syn. nov.**; *B. spinimanu* (Mello-Leitão, 1941) = *B. modesta* (Taczanowski, 1878) **syn. nov.** The females of *B. bicrucata* (Mello-Leitão, 1943) and *B. bistrata* (C.L. Koch, 1846) are described and illustrated for the first time, as well as the male of *B. lubomirskii* (Taczanowski, 1878). Both sexes of *Breda akypueruna* **sp. nov.** and males of *B. nanica* **sp. nov.** and *B. paraensis* **sp. nov.**, all three from the Amazon, are described and illustrated, increasing the present member list up to 13 species. *Druzia* **gen. nov.** is proposed to include *B. flavostriata* Simon, 1901. The Australian “*Breda*” *jovialis* (L. Koch, 1879) is tentatively transferred to *Ocrisiona* Simon.

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