



Revision of the New World genus *Glyphidops* Enderlein (Diptera: Neriidae)

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Abstract

The genus *Glyphidops* Enderlein, 1922, the most widespread and speciose of the New World genera of Neriidae (Diptera), is revised herein. *Glyphidops* (*Glyphidops*) *ruselatus*, **new species**, *G. (G.) steyskali*, **new species** and *G. (G.) coracinus*, **new species** are described. Of the 16 previously described species, which were last treated by Aczél (1961), the following synonyms are proposed: *Chaetomeristes peruanus* Enderlein is treated as a junior synonym of *G. (G.) bullatus* (Enderlein); *Nerius dispar* Cresson, *Oncopsia neutra* Hennig and *Oncopsia dubia* Hennig are treated as junior synonyms of *G. (O.) durus* (Cresson) and *Oncopsia seductrix* Hennig, is treated as a junior synonym of *G. (O.) flavifrons* (Bigot). The species *Telostylus vittatus* Cresson, is removed from synonymy with *G. (G.) filusus* (Fabricius) and revalidated as senior synonym of *G. ochreus* Hennig. A new diagnosis for the genus and all species are provided, as is an identification key to species. New locality records are provided for Costa Rica, Colombia, Venezuela, Guyana, Ecuador and Brazil.

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Female. Similar to male, differs as follows: body length 6.7–7.1 mm (Fig. 13B). Wing length 4.2–4.5 mm and width 5.4–6.2 mm. Fore coxa without anterolateral seta. Oviscape brown with two lateral yellow spots and apex yellow; length 1.8–2.3 times maximum width.

Comments. This is among the smallest species of Neriidae (along with *Eoneria aczeli* Sepúlveda & Carvalho) and has wings with intercalated cross-veins as *E. maldonadoi* Aczél, being the only two American species with this particular venation. The general morphology of *G. (O.) pluricellatus* is quite differentiated from all other neotropical Neriidae, especially with respect to general head shape and uncommon coloration. This species was placed in the genus *Glyphidops* on the basis of the shape of inner process of pedicel, the antero-apical seta on the fore coxa and the brown, bare arista. Several authors (Aczél, 1961; Hennig, 1937) have noted that species may belong to an independent genus. It is retained in *Glyphidops* here pending phylogenetic analysis.

Type material. Holotype: *Nerius pluricellatus* Schiner, 1868 (♂) “South America” (Brazil) [NHM].

Remarks. Neriidae type material collected by Ignaz Rudolph Schiner are deposited in the Naturhistorisches Museum Wien, and we were unable to access either the material or their photographs.

Material examined. PANAMA, 1 ♂, Gamboa C. Z., Rio Agua Salud, vii.1967. W. Wirth/ Reared from *Cariudovica* (USNM); 1 ♂ 1 ♀, Canal Zone: barro Colorado Isl., 10–11.vi.1978, Silberglied & Aiello, on fruits of *carludovica* (USNM); 2 ♀, Canal Zone, Barro Colorado Isl., 20.viii.1978/ N. E. Woodley (USNM). COLOMBIA: 5 ♂ 3 ♀, Antioquia, Carepa, Tunelapa, CORPOICA, 7°46′46″N, 76°40′24″W, 48m, VSR fruta-visceras de pollo, 8.ii.2009, N. Uribe (CEUA); 1 ♂, Antioquia, La Pintada, Camping Los Farallones, 5°44′48″N, 75°36′34″W, 660m, VSR visceras, 26.vii.2007, M. Velez & C. Bota (CEUA); 1 ♂, Antioquia, Rio Claro, Camino “La Mulata”, VSR banana, 9.xi.2007, Grupo de Entomología (CEUA); 1 ♀, Antioquia, Aljibes, Providencia, 33km SW Zaragoza, 1.xii.1970, E. Pinger (USNM); 1 ♀, Antioquia, Cauca Viejo, Bosque intervenido, Cerca a quebrada Los Cruces, 614m, VSR fruta, 1–5.vii.2009, M. Wolf & A. Bustamante (CEUA); 1 ♀, Chocó, Jobi, Patio de casa, VSR fruta, 4.viii.2006, P. Dique & M. Wolff (CEUA); 1 ♀, Chocó, PNN Los Katios, Centro Administrativo Sautatá, Fuera del bosque, 7°51′N, 77°8′W, 30m, Malaise, 20.xi–5.xii.2003, P. López (IAvH).

Distribution. Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia, Venezuela (Fig. 16E).

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