

A revision of the genus *Microlia* Casey, 1910 (Coleoptera: Staphylinidae: Aleocharinae: Hoplandriini)

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Abstract

Microlia Casey, 1910 is transferred from the tribe Athetini Casey, 1910 to the tribe Hoplandriini Casey, 1910. The genus *Nosora* Casey, 1911 is placed in synonymy with *Microlia* Casey, 1910. Three new species of *Microlia* are described (*M. tetramera* Gusarov, **sp. nov.** and *M. pentamera* Gusarov, **sp. nov.** from Costa Rica, and *M. panamensis* Gusarov, **sp. nov.** from Panama). Three species are redescribed (*M. silacea* (Erichson, 1839) known from Virginia and North Carolina, *M. azteca* (Casey, 1911) known from Mexico, and *M. meticola* (Casey, 1911) known from Arizona and Texas). A key for identification of species of *Microlia* is provided. *Homalota silacea* Erichson, 1839, *Nozora azteca* Casey, 1911 and *N. meticola* Casey, 1911 are transferred to *Microlia*. *Dolosota* (*Microlia*) *pernix* Casey, 1910 is placed in synonymy with *Microlia silacea* (Erichson, 1839).

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Introduction

Casey (1910) described *Microlia* as a subgenus of the genus *Dolosota* Casey, 1910 in the subtribe Athetina Casey, 1910 and included in it two species: *D.(M.) pernix* Casey, 1910 (the type species) and *D.(M.) petulans* Casey, 1910. While revising the types of all aleocharine species described by Casey from North America I discovered that the types of *D. pernix* are very similar to the two species described by Casey in the genus *Nosora* Casey, 1911 (currently placed in the tribe Hoplandriini Casey, 1910 (Fenyès 1920; Hanley 2001)).