

Redefinition of genus *Tarasco* Marsh (Hymenoptera: Braconidae: Doryctinae) and description of two new Brazilian species

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Abstract

A redefinition of the genus *Tarasco* Marsh is provided along with description of two new species found in Brazil (*T. granulata* Barbalho and Penteado-Dias, new species and *T. costata* Barbalho and Scatolini, new species). This redefinition of the genus considers variation in characters in wing venation, such as the presence of vein r-m in the fore wing and vein 1-SC+R being complete and tubular in the hind wing.

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Introduction

The genus *Tarasco* (Hymenoptera: Braconidae: Doryctinae) was originally described by Marsh (1993) and it has until now been known only from Mexico and Costa Rica (with the single species *T. spathiiiformis*) (Marsh, 2002). It was characterized by: face swollen between antennae and clypeus; occipital carina meeting hypostomal carina; mesoscutum declivous anteriorly; sternaulus distinct and complete; metasoma petiolate, first tergum slender with length about 3 times apical width; hind coxa with small but distinct tubercle; fore wing vein r-m absent, first subdiscal cell open at apex, vein M+CU strongly sinuate; hind wing vein M+CU shorter than 1M and vein SC+R weak or absent.