

Review of the genus *Sympagus* Bates, 1881 (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae: Lamiinae: Acanthocinini)

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Abstract

The genus *Sympagus* Bates, 1881, is redescribed and redefined, with two species described as new, *S. cedrelis*, from Mexico and Guatemala, and *S. monnei*, from Panama. The genus *Stenopsilus* Gilmour, 1959, is synonymized with *Sympagus*, creating *Sympagus bimaculatus*, new combination. Comparisons are discussed between *Sympagus* and other related genera in the tribe Acanthocinini. Characterizations, color images, and a key to all *Sympagus* species are provided.

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Introduction

The genus *Sympagus* Bates, 1881, was proposed for “*Lepturges*” *laetabilis* Bates, 1872, and distinguished from other genera in the tribe Acanthocinini by the combination of its stout form, very elongate antennal scape, and broad pro- and mesosternal processes. The genus subsequently was expanded by the description of *S. favorabilis* Tippmann (1960) from Peru, and transfer of “*Nyssodrystes*” *buckleyi* (Bates 1885), a Bolivian species (Monné 1985). Two additional new species of *Sympagus* are proposed herein, one each from Mexico and Panama; the genus *Stenopsilus* Gilmour, 1959, is placed into synonymy with *Sympagus*, and its species, *Stenopsilus bimaculatus* Gilmour, 1959 (described from Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil), is transferred to *Sympagus*. The genus is redescribed and defined, and a key provided for all species.

The aforementioned characters by which Bates distinguished *Sympagus* from *Lepturges* will suffice to differentiate it from genera such as *Lepturges* (*sensu lato*), or