

## ***Brasilaccoderus*, a new genus of Eurypinae (Coleoptera: Mycteridae) from Brazil**

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### **Abstract**

The Brazilian genus *Brasilaccoderus* is diagnosed and described as new, comprising *Brasilaccoderus scaber* (Champion), **new combination**, and *B. plaumanni*, **new species**. Important characters are illustrated, and habitus photographs and a key to species are provided. Some preliminary thoughts on a phylogenetic placement of the new genus are given.

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### **Introduction**

The Eurypinae (= Laconotinae of authors) is the most diverse subfamily of Mycteridae and reaches its maximum diversity in the New World tropical region, specifically, in Brazil (Champion 1916; Blair 1928; Pollock unpublished). There is no comprehensive study of world Eurypinae; most genera and species were described in the many short, isolated treatments by Pic, and several more important papers of Champion (1889; 1916a; 1916b). A comprehensive phylogenetic analysis and classification of world genera of Eurypinae is in progress (Pollock in prep.).

The eurypine genera known from Brazil, representing 40% of described genera, are *Physcius* Champion, *Physiomorphus* Pic, *Conomorphus* Champion, *Stilpnonotus* Gray, *Eurypus* Kirby, *Cleodaeus* Champion, *Thisias* Champion, and *Loboglossa* Solier. There are known specimens representing at least several other undescribed genera and species from Brazil. This paper describes two of these new taxa from Brazil, and clarifies some nomenclatural confusion in the mycterid literature.

*Batobius* was described by Fairmaire & Germain (1863) for several Chilean species. Champion (1916a) described *Laccoderus*, with one Chilean and two Brazilian species.