



Revision of the genus *Paraclytra* (Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae: Cryptocephalinae: Clytrini), with description of *P. cervenkai* sp. nov. from Sultanate of Oman

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Abstract

A revision of the Afrotropical genus *Paraclytra* Medvedev, 1971 is presented. The type material of the most relevant taxa is examined. *Paraclytra cervenkai* sp. nov. from Sultanate of Oman is described, illustrated and compared with related species. Neotypes for *Clythra gambiensis* Lacordaire, 1848 and *Clythra signata* Lacordaire, 1848 are designated. Lectotypes are designated for the following taxa: *Clythra notata* Klug, 1835; *Clythra plicatipennis* Pic, 1939; *Clythra rufitarsis* Lacordaire, 1848; *Clythra sennariensis* Lacordaire, 1848 and *Clythra traegaordhi* Weise, 1906. *Paraclytra sennariensis* (Lacordaire, 1848) is raised from subspecies of *P. signata* to species rank and treated as species with very variable coloration. *Paraclytra rufitarsis* (Lacordaire, 1848) is confirmed as a synonym of *P. sennariensis*. The following new synonyms are proposed: *Paraclytra sennariensis* = *Clythra plicatipennis* Pic, 1939 (**syn. nov.**) = *Clythra signata* ssp. *aethiopica* Medvedev, 1971 (**syn. nov.**); *Clythra notata* Klug, 1835 = *Clythra signata* Lacordaire, 1848 (**syn. nov.**). Because *Clythra notata* Klug, 1835 is a primary junior homonym of *Clythra notata* Gebler, 1830, the oldest synonym *Clythra signata* is stated as valid for this taxon. *Paraclytra gambiensis* is treated as a valid species which cannot be associated with *Paraclytra notata* due to completely different coloration. The drawings of both male and female genitalia are presented. A key to identification and a catalogue of all known *Paraclytra* species are given.

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