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***Aceria plectrumscuti*, a replacement species name for *Aceria virgatae* Lotfollahi *et al.* (Acari: Prostigmata: Eriophyidae)**

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Lotfollahi *et al.* (2013) described *Aceria virgatae* from a sample of *Centaurea virgata* Lam. (Compositae) collected in Iran. The name *A. virgatae* is preoccupied by a species previously described by Meyer (Smith) and Ueckermann 1996 and this name was skipped during our literature search. This latter eriophyoid species is associated with *Polygala virgata* Thunb. in the Polygalaceae (currently known as *Polygala lancifolia* A. St.-Hil. & Moq. according to The Plant List on-line database 2010).

A replacement name for the eriophyoid mite species recently described from *C. virgata* (Compositae) becomes necessary.

Here we propose to replace the name of our mite species with *Aceria plectrumscuti* nom. nov. This specific name is derived from the combination of two Latin words: *plectrum*, meaning plectrum, and *scutum*, meaning shield. It refers to the particular shape of the prodorsal shield which resembles a plectrum.

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