

## Correspondence



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## Correction and addition to "Contribution to the knowledge of the *Polia praecipua* (Staudinger, 1895) species complex with description of a new species from China (Lepidoptera, Noctuidae, Noctuinae, Hadenini)"

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In our recent Correspondence on *Polia* systematics, we omitted some essential changes during the proofing stage, and present these here. The changes all apply to the account for *Polia sublimis* on page 599. That text should be amended as follows, with changes in *boldface italic* and our explanations for the changes following in square brackets:

Hadula sublimis Draudt, 1950, Mitteilungen der Münchner Entomologischen Gesellschaft 40: page 37, (Lectotype, hereby designated, female, [ZFMK, Bonn]) Type locality: [China], N. Yunnan: A-tun-tse.

[Sex should have been female in the taxon header, it appeared correctly in Material examined; reference should have been fully spelled out]

Material examined. <u>Lectotype</u>: female: (yellow label) = [China], A-tun-tse, (Nord-Yunnan), obere Höhe ca. 4500 m, 24.7.1937 H. Höne; (red label) = Prp.Nr.: 12008 ZFMK f, Lectotypus Polia sublimis (Draudt, 1950), Prp. Behounek 2012; here designated, coll. ZFMK. Other material: 1 male, Likiang. (China), Nord-Yuennan, 16.5.1935. H. Höne (X); 44 males and females, same locality and collector, 3.7.-25.8.1935 (with or without "0" symbol; see below), including 2 males (26. 27.7.) and 1 female (24.8.) dissected by Z. Varga, prp. nos Hö 40/V, Hö 62/V and Hö 64/V, coll. ZFMK; 1 male, same locality and collector, 23.8.1935, (0), gen. slide BG 12104, coll. WSM; 5 males, 2 females, China, N. Yunnan, road Xiangcheng/Zhongdian, 3500 m, 18.vii.2009 N 28°32.001', E 99°49.001' I. & A. Floriani leg., 3 males, 1 female, China, W. Sichuan, road from Yajiang to Litang, 3600 m, 15.vii.2009, N 29°59.001', E 100°52.001' I. & A Floriani leg., in the collection of AFM. Slide Nos JB 1881 male; JB1882 female; 1male same data, in coll. WSM, gen. slide GB12015 male. Note that Hermann Höne used symbols stamped on the labels to indicate the elevation of collecting sites at and near Lijiang in 1935: "X" = elevation of the town Lijiang at ~2400-2600 m; no symbol = 1000-2000 feet above Lijiang i.e.,  $\sim 2900-3200m$ ; "0" = summit region i.e., 12,000 feet and "higher" = ~3650 m and above; letter H. Höne to E. Wehrli, 28.10.1934). [The correct verbatim label information is provided for the lectotype. In addition, the entire remaining text for Material Examined that commenced at "Paralectotypes:" on page 599 should be replaced by the text above that commences with "Other material:" The reason for this is that the female designated as lectotype was in fact the only potential available syntype at the ZFMK. Draudt (1950, p. 37) described sublimis from "a large number of specimens from A-tun-tse (15.VII. - 1.IX.37) and a few also from Batang (11.VI -10.VIII.36)" (translated from the original German). None of the ZFMK specimens other than the designated female lectotype were from the type series as they do not bear appropriate label data. Max Draudt had a large number of Chinese Noctuidae on loan from the Höne collection (containing likely type material) at the time his house and collection were destroyed during an air raid toward the end of World War II (letter from M. Draudt to H. Höne, dated 4.12.1946). It seems probable that other *sublimis* syntypes were destroyed during that air raid.]

Biology and Distribution. The species is only known from the Chinese provinces Sichuan and Yunnan from high elevation, mainly above 3000m. One male collected at Lijiang in May at ~2400–2600 m suggests a spring generation; all other specimens were collected during the summer months.

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