Annotated checklist of the Dermaptera (Insecta) of French Guiana

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ABSTRACT
We establish the first checklist of the earwig species from French Guiana, updating previous works. This list comprises 49 species distributed in five families: Pygidicranidae Verhoeff, 1902, Forficulidae Stephens, 1829, Labiduridae Verhoeff, 1902, Spongiphoridae Verhoeff, 1902, Anisolabididae Verhoeff, 1902. Twenty-four species are cited for the first time from French Guiana and five species are only mentioned from bibliographical records. Three misidentified records are discarded. Species diversity in French Guiana is similar to neighboring countries and a few additional species will probably be found. Some poorly recorded species have been found, such as Cosmogerax araguensis (Brindle 1974), Cosmogerax doesburgi Brindle 1982, Sarcinatrix quadrimaculata Brindle 1971, Doru unicolor Brindle 1971, Purex surinamensis Brindle 1971, Spongiphora buprestoides (Kirby 1891). Purex formosus Hebard 1920, described from French Guiana, has been rediscovered in the Mitaraka mountains and its female collected for the first time. We provide comments on some species and on a few undetermined specimens and indicate some taxonomic challenges unresolved in French Guiana.

KEY WORDS
French Guiana, Dermaptera, Purex formosus, Mitaraka mountains, Neotropics, new records.

RÉSUMÉ
Liste commentée des Dermaptera (Insecta) de Guyane.
Nous présentons la première liste des dermaptères de Guyane, mettant ainsi à jour les travaux antérieurs. Cette liste comprend 49 espèces, appartenant à cinq familles : Pygidicranidae Verhoeff, 1902, Forficulidae Stephens, 1829, Labiduridae Verhoeff, 1902, Spongiphoridae Verhoeff, 1902, Anisolabididae Verhoeff, 1902. Vingt-quatre espèces sont mentionnées de Guyane pour la première fois. Cinq espèces ne sont citées que sur la base de données bibliographiques. Trois erreurs d’identification ou de répartition antérieures sont corrigées. La diversité spécifique de la Guyane est similaire à celle des pays voisins et quelques autres espèces seront probablement trouvées. Quelques espèces rarement collectées ont été trouvées, telles que Cosmogerax araguensis (Brindle 1974), Cosmogerax doesburgi Brindle 1982, Sarcinatrix quadrimaculata Brindle 1971, Doru unicolor Brindle 1971, Purex surinamensis Brindle 1971, Spongiphora buprestoides (Kirby 1891). Purex formosus Hebard 1920, décrit de French Guiana, a été redécouvert dans le massif du Mitaraka, et la femelle collectée pour la première fois. Nous commentons certaines de ces espèces et quelques spécimens indéterminés, et nous présentons les problèmes taxonomiques existants en Guyane.

MOTS CLÉS
Guyane, Dermaptera, Purex formosus, monts du Mitaraka, néotropiques, signalisations nouvelles.
INTRODUCTION

French Guiana is a French overseas territory located in the Guiana Shield, that occupies 83,350 km². It is mostly composed of primary tropical forests, but some savannas are also present around the coast. This territory has been well studied concerning vertebrates, but the invertebrates remain poorly known. Its insect diversity has been recently estimated at 100,000 species (Brülé & Touroult 2014).

Dermaptera (earwigs) is a small insect order of about 2000 species with a greater diversity in tropical regions, especially in South-East Asia and in the Neotropics (Popham 2000). In Central and South America, species knowledge remains poor although several taxonomical and geographical accounts have been published between 1960 and 1980 mostly (Brindle 1968a, b, 1971b, c, d, 1974, 1977, 1982; Reichardt 1968a, b, 1970, 1971). Many of the newly described species are known by a few specimens only. More recently, a few additional species have been described from South America (Anisyutkin 2014; Kamimura & Ferreira 2017).

As a consequence, the species distributions are largely unknown although biodiversity estimates have recently been provided for nearly all countries (Haas 2018).

In French Guiana, the only available works are that of Brindle (1968b) and Hebard (1920) who cited 14 and 12 species, respectively. The monographs of Steinmann (1986, 1989a, b, 1993) mentioned 25 species. More recently, Thouvenot (2011) mentioned 15 species but did not establish any detailed checklist.

We here establish a checklist of the Dermaptera of French Guiana, based on recently collected material, with comments on several interesting species.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

We have had recently the opportunity to study a very large amount of specimens, collected mostly between 2009 and 2015 in various parts of French Guiana.

Most of the specimens have been collected during field works of the Société entomologique des Antilles et de la Guyane (SEAG) between 2009 and 2015.

On the other hand the international biotic survey “Our Planet Reviewed” (“La Planète Revisitée” French Guiana 2014–2015 aimed at rehabilitating taxonomic work on invertebrates, mostly by enabling the discovery of species new to science or new to French Guiana, but also by collecting specimens on poorly known species of different insect orders (Touroult et al. 2018). This survey took place in March 2015 and enabled to collect several interesting and scarcely collected specimens; it gave us a very good opportunity to publish the first checklist of Dermaptera from French Guiana. In addition, several specimens from other collectors in French Guiana (see Acknowledgements for a complete list) have also been transmitted. Several collecting methods have been used: light traps, interception traps, malaise traps and active searching.

Specimens from the following museums have also been examined, either directly or by the mean of photographs of type specimens:

- Muséum national d’Histoire naturelle, Paris (MNHN): all specimens collected in French Guiana and stored at the museum, including holotypes of Purex fornosus (Hebard, 1920) and Paralabella chopardi (Hebard, 1920).
- Naturalis Museum, Leiden, The Netherlands (holotype picture of Purex surinamensis)
- Maracay Museum, Venezuela (holotypes pictures of Gerax fuscom and Gerax lucidum).

Pictures of type specimens of other species have also been examined when available in Fabian Haas’ website (www.earwigs-online.de, no longer available). Location of type specimens is indicated for each species, when known.

More than 1770 specimens have been studied so far among which 555 specimens are mentioned in the present paper. The specimens are cited in the following way: town, precise location (with GPS coordinates when known), collecting date, collector, number of specimens and storage collections.

Pictures were taken with a Canon EOS1500D using Capture One pro software. Digital images were then obtained by using CombineZP software.

The taxonomy and nomenclature follow the Dermaptera species file (HoPKins et al. 2013), with some minor changes (Engel & Haas 2007; Srivastava 1999). The genera and species are listed under their families. The municipalities where the species have been found are indicated. The taxonomical informations are presented in the following way : city, exact place, date, leg. or coll., specimens number, collection or institution where the specimens is stored.

ABBREVIATIONS

Private collections

| Institution | Abbreviation |
|-------------|--------------|
| coll. CGIR  | Christophe Girod, Echalas; |
| coll. DMAT  | Danilo Matzke, Leipzig; |
| coll. PKOC  | Petr Kocarek, University of Ostrava, Czech Republic; |
| coll. YKAM  | Yoshitaka Kamimura, Keio University. |

Institutions

| Institution | Abbreviation |
|-------------|--------------|
| ANSP        | Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, Philadelphie; |
| MIZA        | Museo del Instituto de Zoología Agrícola, Faculdad de Agronomía, Maracay; |
| MNB         | Museum für Naturkunde, Berlin; |
| MNHN        | Muséum National d’Histoire Naturelle, Paris; |
| MRSN        | Museo Regionale di Scienze Naturali, Torino; |
| MSNG        | Museo Civico di Storia Naturale di Genova “Giacomo Doria”, Genova; |
| MZU           | Universidade de São Paulo, Museu de Zoologia, São Paulo; |
| MZV         | Instytut Zoologii, Warsaw; |
| NHM        | Natural History Museum, London; |
| NHMW       | Naturhistorisches Museum, Wien; |
| NHRM       | Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet, Stockholm; |
| RMNH        | Naturalis (Natioanla Naturhistorisich Museum; formerly Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie), Leiden; |
| SNM        | Natural History Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen; |
| USNM        | US National Museum, Washington. |
CHECKLIST OF THE DERMAPTERA OF FRENCH GUIANA

This very large collection enabled us to identify several new species to French Guiana and to update Brindle’s (1968b) work.

Forty-nine species belonging to 5 families and 13 subfamilies (Table 1) are recorded from French Guiana. Among these, 24 are cited for the first time for French Guiana. These new records are marked with an asterix.

Family **Pygidicranidae** Verhoeff, 1902

Subfamily **Pygidicranininae** Verhoeff, 1902

**Pygidicranana bivittata** Erichson, 1848

**(Fig. 1)**

*Pygidicranana bivittata* Erichson, 1848: 579.

**Type specimen.** — British Guiana, male, MNB [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 4 specimens (Fig. 1).

**French Guiana** • 1 larva; Régina, Arataye (affl. Approuagues), 8 km NE Saut Pararé; 21.X.1989; P. Grandcolas leg.; MNHN • 1 ♀; Saül, Mont Ioupé (Drop Zone), 570 m a.s.l.; 14.III.2010; Ph. Dalens leg.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; Montsinéry-Tonnégrande, Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44’34.3"N, 52°25’53.51”W; 18.IX.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 21.XII.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 31.XII.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 24.I.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Guyana, Surinam, French Guiana, Brazil (Steinmann 1986).

**Remarks**

Already cited from French Guiana by Hebard (1920) and by Brindle (1968b).

Uncommon species which might be endemic from the Guiana Shield.

Subfamily **Pyragrinae** Verhoeff, 1902

**Pyragra fuscata** Audinet-Serville, 1831

**(Fig. 2A)**

*Pyragra fuscata* Audinet-Serville, 1831: 34.

**Type specimen.** — French Guiana, male, MNHN, Paris [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 17 specimens (Fig. 2A).

**French Guiana** • 1 ♀, 1 ♂; Kaw, route de Kaw; 1.VIII.1998; A. Faillé leg.; MNHN • 3 adults; Kaw, Piste de Kaw, PK 35.5; 22.VI-14. VII.1989; G. Chauvet leg.; MNHN • 1 ♂; Kourou, Piste change- ment, PK 7; 9.VII.1991; L. Sénaux leg.; MNHN • 1 ♂; Saint-Elie, Savane roche sur le Haut Koursibo; 4°18’58”N, 53°17’10”W; 2.XI.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; Saül, Piste de Bélizon, PK 24; 7.VIII.1991; L. Sénaux leg.; MNHN • 1 ♂; same locality; 1991; P. Bleuzen leg.; MNHN • 1 ♂; Saül, sentier Belvédère; 20.XII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; Montsinéry-Tonnégrande, Montagne des Chevaux, Montagne Yéyé, RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44’34.3”N, 52°25’53.51”W; 18.IX.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 3.1.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 23.I.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 22.I.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 21.III.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 24.I.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Mexico to Nicaragua, Guyana, French Guiana, Suriname, Colombia and Ecuador (Steinmann 1986).

**Remarks**

Already cited from French Guiana (Hebard 1920; Brindle 1968b).

Several subspecies exist. The subspecies to which the collected material belongs has not been identified yet. It is a common species in French Guiana.

**Pyragra paraguayensis** Borelli, 1904

*Pyragra paraguayensis* Borelli, 1904: 1.

**Type specimen.** — Paraguay, male, MRSN [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 1 specimen.

**French Guiana** • 1 adult; Régina, Arataye (affl. Approuagues), aval de Saut Pararé; 1.XI.1989; P. Grandcolas leg.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Guyana, Brazil, Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay and Argentina (Steinmann 1986).

**Remarks**

Identification still temptative as no picture of type specimen could be studied, but the specimen matches well with the descriptions.
Table 1. — Species recorded in Hebard (1920), Brindle (1968), Steinmann (1989-1993), Thouvenot (2011) and this paper.

| Family               | Subfamily | Species                                      | Hebard 1920 | Brindle 1968a | Thouvenot 2011 | This paper |
|----------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|------------|
| Pygidicranidae       |           | Pygidicraninae Pygidicranida bivittata       | x           | x             | x              | x          |
| Pyragrinae           |           | Pyragrinae Pyragra fuscata                   | x           | x             | x              | x          |
| Pyragrinae           |           | Pyragra pyragrauensis                       | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Pyragrinae           |           | Pyragropsis emarginata Rehn, 1916           | -           | x             | x              | x          |
| Pyragrinae           |           | Pyragropsis thoracica (Audinet-Serville, 1838) | -           | x             | x              | x          |
| Pyragrinae           |           | Echinopsalis guttata Bormans, 1893          | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Anisolabididae       |           | Anisolabidinae Carcinophora percheroni (Guérin & Percheron, 1838) | x           | x             | x              | x          |
| Anisolabidinae       |           | Anisolabidinae Carcinophora scudderi (de Bormans, 1900) | x           | x             | x              | x          |
| Anisolabidinae       |           | Anisolabidinae Anisolabella antoni (Dohrn, 1864) | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Anisolabidinae       |           | Anisolabidinae Euborella peregrina (Mjöberg, 1904) | x           | x             | x              | x          |
| Anisolabidinae       |           | Anisolabidinae Metalabis carinata Brindle, 1968 | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Anisolabidinae       |           | Metalabis saramacensis (Zacher, 1911)      | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Forficulidae         |           | Forficulinae Doru gracilis (Burmeister, 1838) | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Forficulidae         |           | Forficulinae Doru unicolor Brindle, 1971   | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Opisthocosminae      |           | Neopisthocosmia gejskisi (Brindle, 1968) | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Ancistrogastrinae    |           | Sarcinatrix quadrirunculata Brindle, 1971 | -           | -             | x              | -          |
| Skendylinae          |           | Kieter aterrima (de Bormans, 1883)         | -           | -             | x              | -          |
| Skendylinae          |           | Kieter americanus (de Bormans, 1893)       | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Skendylinae          |           | Kieter bosemani (Brindle, 1968)            | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Labiduridae          |           | Labidurinae Labidura riparia (Pallas, 1773) | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Cosmogeracinae Cosmogerax araguenensis (Brindle, 1974) | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Cosmogeracinae Cosmogerax doeburgi Brindle, 1982 | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Geracinae Gerax fuscus Brindle, 1974       | -           | -             | x              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Geracinae Eugerax poecilum Hebard, 1917   | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Sparattinae Mecomena brunnea Audinet-Serville, 1838 | -           | -             | x              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Sparattinae Sparatta dentifera Rehn, 1901 | x           | -             | -              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Sparattinae Sparatta incerta Borelli, 1905 | -           | -             | -              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Sparattinae Sparatta nigrina Stal, 1855    | x           | x             | -              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Sparattinae Sparatta semiufa Kirby, 1896   | x           | x             | x              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Marava parva (Burr, 1912)                  | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Marava champions (de Bormans, 1893)       | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Marava equatoria (Burr, 1899)              | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Purex surinamensis Brindle, 1971           | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Purex formosus Hebard, 1920                | x           | x             | x              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Purex pulchellus Brindle, 1977             | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Purex parvicollis (Stal, 1860)            | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Purex frontalis (Dohrn, 1864)             | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Spongiphora croceipeennis Audinet-Serville, 1831 | -           | -             | x              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Spongiphora buprestoides (Kirby, 1891)    | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Spongovostox bilineatus (Scudder, 1869)    | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Spongovostox ghiliiani (Dohrn, 1864)      | x           | -             | -              | -          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Spongovostox schwarzi (Caudell, 1907)     | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Spongovostox pygmaeus (Dohrn, 1864)      | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Vostox brunneipennis (Audinet-Serville, 1838) | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Spongiphoridae       |           | Vostox vicinus (Burr, 1912)               | -           | -             | -              | x          |
| Labiinae             |           | Circolabia arcuata (Scudder, 1876)        | x           | x             | x              | x          |
| Labiinae             |           | Paralabella chopardi (Hebard, 1920)       | x           | x             | x              | x          |
| Labiinae             |           | Paralabella dorsalis (Burmeister, 1838)    | x           | x             | x              | x          |
| Labiinae             |           | Paralabella curvicauda (Motschulsky, 1863) | -           | -             | -              | x          |

Total number of species 12 14 16 49

**Pyragropsis emarginata** Rehn, 1916

(Fig. 2C)

**Pyragropsis emarginata** Rehn, 1916: 216.

Type specimen. — Brazil male, ANSP, Philadelphia [not examined].

Material examined. — 7 specimens (Fig. 2C).

French Guiana • 1 adult; Saül, Mont Itoupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 17.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 1 adult; Saül, sentier Belvédère; 21.X.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 8.VI.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Montsiéry-Tonnérandre, Montagne des Cheaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44’34.3”N, 52°25’53.51”W; 13.IX.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 8.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Régina, Nouragues, Camp; 4°5’N, 52°41’W; 26.VIII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

DISTRIBUTION. — Brazil, Peru, Guyana, French Guiana, Suriname (Steinmann 1986).

Remark

Also cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1968b).
**Pyragropsis thoracica** (Audinet-Serville, 1838)  
(Fig. 3A)

*Forficesila thoracica* Audinet-Serville, 1838: 22.

**Type specimen.** — French Guiana, female, unknown repository [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 14 specimens (Fig. 3A).  
**French Guiana** • 4 adults, 2 larvas; Arataye (affl. Approuagues), aval de Saúr Paraé; 12.VII.1988; P. Grandcolas & L. Desutter leg.; MNHN • 1 ♀; Kaw (Route de Kaw, PK 34); IV.1985; G. Tavakilian leg.; MNHN • 4 adults; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitaraka; crique Alama; 2°14′2″N, 54°27′0″W; 25.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN (2); coll. CGIR (2) • 1 ♀; Roura (Piste Coralie, PK 11); 21.III.1990; P. de Toulgoet leg.; MNHN • 1 adult; Montsinéry-Tonnégrande; Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44′34.3″N, 52°25′53.51″W; 2.VIII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; Saül, Mont Itoupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1′19″N, 53°5′3″W; 19.III.2010; E. Poirier leg.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 22.III.2010; M. Dewynter leg.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; Saül, Mont Itoupé (Drop Zone); 570 m a.s.l.; 24.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Saül, sentier Belvédère; 6.X.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR (2); coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; same locality; 11.I.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 7.III.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 22.VIII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; same locality; 1.V.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Roura; Route de Régina PK62, Piste Coralie PK12; 13-14. I.1990; P. de Toulgoet; leg.; MNHN • 1 adult; Roura; RN Trésor; XI.2009; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Surinam, French Guiana, Panama (Steinmann 1986).

**Remark.** Cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1968b). This species occurs frequently in palm trees.

**Echinopsalis guttata** Bormans, 1893*

*Echinopsalis guttata* Bormans, 1893: 2.

**Type specimen.** — Nicaragua, female, NHM [picture examined].

**Material examined.** — 1 specimen (Fig. 2B).  
**French Guiana** • 1 adult; Sausal, sentier Belvédère (point de vue); 17.I.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Central America (Guatemala to Panama), Brazil (Amazonian Basin), Bolivia, Paraguay (Steinmann 1986) and French Guiana (new record).

**Remark.** This species is widespread in Central and South America. Its finding in French Guiana extends its distribution eastwards.

**Family Anisolabididae** Verhoeff, 1902  
**Subfamily Anisolabidinae** Verhoeff, 1902

**Carcinophora percheroni** (Guérin & Percheron, 1838)  
(Fig. 3B)

*Forficula percheroni* Guérin & Percheron, 1838: 7.

**Type specimen.** — French Guiana, female, unknown repository.

**Material examined.** — 24 specimens (Fig. 3B).  
**French Guiana** • 1 larva; Kaw, piste de Kaw, PK 35.5; 22 VI.-14. VII.1989; G. Chauvet leg.; MNHN • 1 ♀; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitaraka; crique Alama; 2°14′2″N, 54°27′0″W; 25.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN • 1 adult; Saül, Mont Itoupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1′19″N, 53°5′3″W; 19.III.2010; E. Poirier leg.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 22.III.2010; M. Dewynter leg.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; Saül, Mont Itoupé (Drop Zone); 570 m a.s.l.; 24.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Saül, sentier Belvédère; 6.X.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 11.I.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 7.III.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 22.III.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; same locality; 1.V.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Montsinéry-Tonnégrande, Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé) – RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44′34.3″N, 52°25′53.51″W; 22.VIII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. YKAM • 4 adults, 5 larvas; Régina; Montsinéry-Tonnégrande, Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé); 13-14. I.1990; P. de Toulgoet; leg.; MNHN • 1 adult; Roura; RN Trésor; XI.2009; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Brazil, French Guiana, Surinam, Trinidad, Dominica, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Panama, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, United States (Massachusetts; Steinmann 1989a).

**Remark.** Cited from French Guiana by Hebard (1920), Thouvenot (2011) and Brindle (1968b). Easily recognized by its orange wings, pronotum and legs and by the two orange spots on the forewings. Seems rather common in French Guiana.
Carcinophora scudderi (de Bormans, 1900)

Psalis scudderi de Bormans, 1900: 449.

**Type specimen.** — Paraguay, female, MSNG [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 53 specimens.

**French Guiana** • 1 larva; Maripasoula, contrefoots du Mitarakas, crique Alama; 2°14’2”N, 54°27’0”W; 14.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) comm.; MNHN • 1♂; Matoury (La Désirée); 20.VII.2014; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 2 adults; Saül, Mont Itoupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 24.III.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; Saül, sentier Belvédère (point de vue); 5.XI.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 23.IX.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 6.X.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Montsinéry-Tonnégande; Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44’34.3”N, 52°25’53.51”W; 6.XII.2009; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 3 adults; same locality; 28.XII.2009; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 adult; same locality; 31.I.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 21.II.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 2 adults, 1♂; same locality; 28.II.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult, 1♂; same locality; 28.III.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 2♂; same locality; 14.IV.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 2♂; same locality; 22.VIII.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 19.IX.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 2 adults; same locality; 26.XII.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 9.11.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. PKOC • 1 adult; same locality; 22.I.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; 1♂; same locality; 6.III.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 27.II.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 13.III.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 10.IV.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 2 adults; same locality; 2.VI.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 8.VI.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 14.VIII.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 11.IX.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 3 adults; 2♂; 1♀; same locality; 18.IX.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 15.X.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 2♀; 1♂; same locality; 23.X.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 30.X.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 12.XI.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; 1♂; Régina; Nouragues, Camp; 4°5’N, 52°41’W; 27.X.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; Régina; Saut Mapaou; 4°11’28”N, 52°18’54”W; 27.XII.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni; Saint-Jean-du-Maroni; V.1914; R. Benoist leg.; Hebard det.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Paraguay, Peru, Brazil, French Guiana (Steinmann 1989a).

**Remarks.**

Already cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1968b) and by Hebard (1920).

Very common in French Guiana and widely distributed. Although it matches well with Hebard’s and Brindle’s descriptions (and specimens identified by these authors), it is uncertain whether this species belongs indeed to that genus, or if it would be better placed in *Epilandex* Hebard, 1927 or *Capralabis* Brindle, 1981. Further investigations are needed.

**Anisolabella antoni** (Dohrn, 1864)

*Forcicinella antoni* Dohrn, 1864: 289.

**Type specimen.** — Venezuela, male, MZV [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 2 specimens.

**French Guiana** • 1♀; Montsinéry-Tonnégande; Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44’34.3”N, 52°25’53.51”W; 8.V.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 16.VII.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Central and South America: Mexico, Panama, Venezuela, Brazil, French Guiana, Chile (Steinmann 1989a).

**Remark.**

Generic placement follows Srivastava (1999). An additional material from Carsenvenne (Brazil, but previously in French Guiana) is stored in the MNHN collections.

**Euborellia peregrina** (Mjöberg, 1904)

*Anisolabis peregrina* Mjöberg, 1904: 131.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, male, NHRM [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 3 specimens.

**French Guiana** • 1 adult; Saül, Mont Itoupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 17.III.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Montsinéry-Tonnégande; Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44’34.3”N, 52°25’53.51”W; 2.VIII.2011; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni; Nouveau Chantier; Le Moult leg.; Hebard det.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Brazil (Steinmann 1989a).

**Remark.**

Also cited from French Guiana by Hebard (1920), Brindle (1968b) and Thouvenot (2011).

**Metalabis carinata** Brindle, 1968

*Metalabis carinata* Brindle, 1968b: 20.

**Type specimen.** — Surinam, male, RMNH [type picture and description examined].

**Material examined.** — 9 specimens.

**French Guiana** • 3 adults; Régina, Aratyae (aff. Approuague), 8 km NE Saut Pararé; 19.VI.1988; P. Grandcolas & L. Desutter leg.; MNHN • 4 adults; same locality; 21.VI.1988; P. Grandcolas & L. Desutter leg.; MNHN • 1♀; Saül, Mont Itoupé; 830 m a.s.l.; 19.III.2010; E. Poirier leg.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 24.III.2010; SEAG comm.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Surinam (Steinmann 1989a). French Guiana (Haas 2009; this paper).

**Remark.**

This species has been described from Surinam, and is poorly known. Two specimens apparently belonging to this species have been identified from Mount Itoupé. The species has already been cited from French Guiana (Haas 2009) on the basis of one specimen supposedly present in the MNHN collection in Paris but not seen.
Metalabis saramacensis (Zacher, 1911)

_Eulabis saramacensis_ Zacher, 1911: 378.

_Type specimen._ — Surinam, male, MNB [not examined].

_Material examined._ — 12 specimens.

**French Guiana** • 3 adults; environ de Cayenne, Mahury; 1902; F. Geay leg.; MNHN • 2 adults; Cayenne; Ilet les Péres; 1902; F. Geay leg.; MNHN • 1 ♀; Régina; Roura, Piste Coralie; PK 11; 21.III.1990; P. de Toulogoet leg.; MNHN • 1 ♀; same locality; PK 12; 13-14.III.1990; P. de Toulogoet leg.; MNHN • 2 adults; Saül, Mont Iroupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 30.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 31.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 1 adult; Saint-Elie (Savane roche sur le Haut Koursibo); 4°18’58”; 53°17’10”; 2.XI.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; Saül, Mont Iroupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 19.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 23.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; same locality; 26.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 27.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 30.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Guyana, Suriname, French Guiana, Brazil (Hebard 1917a; Steinmann 1989a).

**Remark**

Widespread in French Guiana. This species seems endemic from the Guiana Shield (its known location in Brazil is in Roraima State).

**Family FORFICULIDAE** Latreille, 1810

**Subfamily FORFICULINAE** Latreille, 1810

**Doru gracilis** (Burmeister, 1838)*

**(Fig. 3C)**

_Forficula gracilis_ Burmeister, 1838: 755.

_Type specimen._ — Brazil, unknown repository [not examined].

_Material examined._ — 1 specimen. (Fig. 3C)

**French Guiana** • 1 ♀; Saint Laurent du Maroni, PK 9; 26.III.2005; W. van de Walle leg.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Colombia, Brazil, Bolivia, Peru, Venezuela (Steinmann 1993; Brindle 1971a) and French Guiana (new record).

**Remark**

The specimen collected in French Guiana extends the occurrence of the species eastwards.

**Doru unicolor** Brindle, 1971*

**(Fig. 4)**

_Doru unicolor_ Brindle, 1971a: 192.

_Type specimen._ — Brazil, São Paulo, Itu, Fazenda Pau d’Alho, 13.I.1962, A. Zunt, MZUSP [type picture and description examined].

_Material examined._ — 9 specimens. (Fig. 4).

**French Guiana** • 1 ♀; Saül, Mont Iroupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 19.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 23.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; same locality; 26.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; same locality; 27.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 30.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Only known from Surinam (Brindle 1968b) and French Guiana (new record).

**Subfamily OPISTHOCOSMINAE** Verhoeff, 1902

**Dinex geijskesi** Brindle, 1968*

**(Fig. 5A)**

_Dinex geijskesi_ Brindle, 1968b: 49.

_Type specimen._ — Suriname, Tafelberg, camp on East Ridge, 1.IV.1953, coll D.C.Geijkses, RMNH [description and pictures examined].

_Material examined._ — 8 specimens. (Fig. 5A)

**French Guiana** • 1 ♀; Saint-Elie (Savane roche sur le Haut Koursibo); 4°18’58”; 53°17’10”; 2.XI.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; Saül, Mont Iroupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 19.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 22.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 25.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 27.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 2 ♀; Saül, sentier Belvédère; 1.VIII.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni; Massif Lucifer; sommet; 500 m a.s.l.; 4°46’32”N, 53°56’47”W; 28.X.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Only known from Surinam (Brindle 1968b) and French Guiana (new record).
Ancistrogaster aterrima

The specimens perfectly match with the description of Brin.

**Remark**

Rare species that seems to be endemic of the summits of Guiana Shield.

**Subfamily Ancistrogastrinæae Verhoeff, 1902**

*Sarcinatrix quadrimaculata* Brindle, 1971

*(Fig. 5B)*

**Type Specimen.** — Brazil, male, MZUSP [type description and drawings examined].

**Material Examined.** — 22 specimens. (Fig. 5B).

**French Guiana** • 8 ♀; 7♂; Saül, Mont Itoupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3º11’19”N, 53º5’3”W; 21.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; MNHN • 1♀; same locality; 22.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 23.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 25.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. DAMAT • 2♀; same locality; 27.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; Saül, Mont Itoupé (Drop Zone); 570 m a.s.l.; 15.III.2010; P. Dalens leg.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 23.XI.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Brazil (Brindle 1971f; Steinmann 1993), French Guiana (new record).

**Remark**

The specimens perfectly match with the description of Brin.

Subfamily Skendylvinae Burr, 1907

*Kleter aterrima* (de Bormans, 1883)

**Opisthocosmia americana** de Bormans, 1893: 8.

**Type Specimen.** — Mexico, female, unknown repository [not examined].

**Material Examined.** — 1 specimen.

**French Guiana** • 1 adult; Kourou; Gourdonville; 5º1’N, 52º39’W; 1906; Le Moult leg.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Mexico, Guatemala, Panama, Venezuela, Colombia, Surinam, Brazil, Peru (Steinmann 1993) and French Guiana.
Remark
The specimen stored in the MNHN collection seems very similar to those of *K. aterrima* (de Bormans, 1883). The identification of this species thus remains uncertain.

*Kleter boesemani* (Brindle, 1968)

*Dinex boesemani* Brindle, 1968b: 50.

**Type specimen.** — Suriname, male, RMNH [type description and drawings examined].

**Material examined.** — 2 specimens.

**French Guiana.** 2 adults; Régina; Route de Bélizon; PK.30, Montagnes Tortues; 10.I.1991; P. Bleuzen leg.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Surinam (Steinmann 1993) and French Guiana.

Remark
The specimens stored in the MNHN collection seem very similar to those of *K. aterrima* and the identification of the species (made by Bleuzen) is uncertain.

**Family LAbIDURIDAE** Verhoeff, 1902

Subfamily **LAbIDURINAE** Verhoeff, 1902

*Labidura riparia* (Pallas, 1773)

*Forficula riparia* Pallas, 1773: 727.

**Type specimen.** — Siberia, Irtysk river, male, SNM [pictures examined].

**Material examined.** — 4 specimens.

**French Guiana.** 1 ♀; Awala-Yalimapo, Plage des Hattes; 9.IV.1994; F. Febvre leg.; MNHN; 2 ♀, 1 ♂; Camopi; 1900; F. Geay leg.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Cosmopolitan species.

Remark
The differences between this species and *Labidura xanthopus* (Stal, 1855), known from the West Indies, are unclear. The taxonomical identity of the specimens from French Guiana thus needs confirmation. This species occurs among seashores and river margins.

**Family SPONGIPHORIDAE** Verhoeff, 1902

Subfamily **COSMOGERACINAE** Brindle, 1982

*Cosmogerax araguensis* (Brindle, 1974)*

(Fig. 6A)

*Geracides araguensis* Brindle, 1974: 120.

**Type specimen.** — Venezuela; Aragua, Rancho Grande; 1100 m; 03.IV.1974; MIZA [pictures examined].

**Material examined.** — 23 specimens (Fig. 6A).

*Cosmogerax doesburgi* Brindle, 1982*

(Fig. 6B)

**Type specimen.** — Suriname, Para distr. Onverdacht, on light, 7-VII-1962, 19-22 h. P. H. van Doesburg jr., RMNH [type description and drawings examined].

**Material examined.** — 1 specimen (Fig. 6B).
French Guiana • 1 adult; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitaraka, crique Alama; 2°14’2”N, 54°27’0”W; 25.III.2015; La Planète revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN.

**DISTRIBUTION.** — Suriname (type locality, Brindle 1982) and French Guiana (new record).

**REMARK**

Only one specimen has been collected in the Mitaraka mountains, during the “Our Planet reviewed expedition”. It perfectly matches with the description of *C. doesburgi* by Brindle. It seems that it is only the second time the species is collected.

Subfamily **GERACINAE** Brindle, 1971

**Gerax fuscum** Brindle, 1974  
(Fig. 7B)

**TYPE SPECIMEN.** — El Barrioso, Rio Matu, Venezuela, Bolivar, 6.I.1972, leg. J. Salcedo, MIZA [type pictures studied].

**MATERIAL EXAMINED.** — 35 specimens (Fig. 7B).

**French Guiana** • 1 ♀; Saül; 13.XII.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 18.IV.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 30.XI.2013; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; same locality; 7.XII.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 24.V.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 30.VIII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 27.IX.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2 adults; same locality; 26.VII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 10.XI.2013; SEAG com.; MNHN • 1 adult; same locality; 9.VIII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 21.VIII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 30.VIII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 27.IX.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2 adults; same locality; 18.X.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 ♀; same locality; 31.I.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 18.IV.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 25.IV.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**DISTRIBUTION.** — Previously only known from type specimen, collected in Venezuela.

**Remarks**

This species is difficult to identify although the presence of an arolium and the large eyes were diagnostic for the genus *Gerax*. We have been able to compare our specimens with photographs of type specimens of *Gerax fuscum* Brindle, 1974 and *Gerax lucidum* Brindle, 1974, also stored at MIZA. Both species were described on a single male specimen. According to our specimens, the differences stated in Brindle’s descriptions (1974) are scarce: concerning the colour of pronotum and wings, our specimens vary from pure yellow (*Gerax lucidum*) to yellow suffused with brown (*Gerax fuscum*); pending further investigations we refer all our specimens as *Gerax fuscum*. It is likely that the two species are to be synonymized in the future.

**Eugerax poecilum** Hebard, 1917*  
(Fig. 7A)

**Eugerax poecilum** Hebard, 1917: 328.

**TYPE SPECIMEN.** — Paraiso, Canal zone, Panama, 19.I.1911, E. A. Schwarz leg., USNM [type picture examined].

**MATERIAL EXAMINED.** — 2 specimens (Fig. 7A).

**French Guiana** • 1 adult; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitaraka, crique Alama; 2°14’2”N, 54°27’0”W; 14.III.2015; La Planète revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN.

**DISTRIBUTION.** — Panama, Costa Rica (Steinmann 1989b), French Guiana (new record).

**Remark**

The specimens from Mitaraka perfectly match with the holotype description and pictures (Hebard 1917b).

Subfamily **SPARATTINAE** Verhoeff, 1902

**Mecomera brunnea** Audinet-Serville, 1838 [1839]  
(Fig. 8A)

**Mecomera brunnea** Audinet-Serville, 1838 [1839]: 54.
**Dermaptera of French Guiana**

**Type specimen.** — French Guiana, male, MNHN [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 2 specimens (Fig. 8A).

French Guiana • 1♂; Aparou, PK 25; 9.I.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; environs de Cayenne, Montagnes de Montsinéry; II.1902; F. Geay leg.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Brazil, Columbia, Peru, Bolivia, French Guiana, Costa Rica, Nicaragua (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark.**

This species was described from French Guiana. The type specimen was not found in the MNHN collections. It is uncertain whether the valid name is *Mecomera brunnea* or *Mecomera plana* (Illiger, 1838). As for all Sparattinae, this species probably inhabits under bark of trees.

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**Sparatta dentifera** Rehn, 1901

Sparatta dentifera Rehn, 1901: 218.

**Type specimen.** — Mexico, male, ANSP [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 20 specimens.

French Guiana • 3♀; Saül, Mont Itoupé (Drop Zone); 570 m a.s.l.; 17.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. PKOC; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 24.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2♀; same locality; 31.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; Saül, sentier Belvédère; 29.X.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; Camopi; Mont Saint-Marcel; 635 m a.s.l.; 2°23'3"N, 53°0'37"W; 21.IX.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; Montsinéry-Tonnégrande, Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44'34.3"N, 52°25'53.51"W; 6.XII.2009; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; Régina; Nouragues, Camp; 4°5'N, 52°41'W; 14.X.2010; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 2♀; Nouragues (Parare); 15.VI.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 19.VII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni; Bas Maroni (Charvein); 5°34'N, 55°4'W; 1914; R. Benoist leg.; MNHN (paratype) • 1♂; Nouveau Chantier; 1914; R. Benoist leg.; MNHN (paratype).

**Distribution.** — South and Central America (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark.**

Already cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1968b). This flat species occurs frequently under tree barks.

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**Sparatta incerta** Borelli, 1905

Sparatta incerta Borelli, 1905: 11.

**Type specimen.** — Nova Granada, male, MNB [not examined].

**Material examined.** — No specimen examined.

**Distribution.** — Distributed from Mexico to Argentina (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark.**

This species was cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1971c).

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**Sparatta nigrina** Stal, 1855

Sparatta nigrina Stal, 1855: 350.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, Argentina, Dominica (Brindle 1971e; Steinmann, 1899b).

**Remark.**

This species was cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1968b).

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**Sparatta semirufa** Kirby, 1896 (Fig. 8B)

Sparatta semirufa Kirby, 1896: 528.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, female, NHM [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 18 specimens (Fig. 8B).

French Guiana • 2♂; Camopi; 1900; F. Geay leg.; MNHN • 1 adult; Montsinéry-Tonnégrande; Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44'34.3"N, 52°25'53.51"W; 28.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. PKOC; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 19.IX.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 7.XI.2011; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 1 adult; same locality; 23.X.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 adult; same locality; 13.XII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 20.XII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 3.I.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2♀; same locality; 28.II.2015; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. YKAM • 1 adult; Régina; Nouragues,
Camp; 4°5’N, 52°41’W; 14.X.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni; Saint-Jean-du-Maroni; Le Mout leg.; Hebard det.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Distributed from Mexico to Argentina (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark**
Already cited from French Guiana (Hebard 1920; Brindle 1968b). Common and widespread in French Guiana. It also occurs under bark trees. Subfamily Spongiphorinae Verhoeven, 1902

**Labia championi** (de Bormans, 1893) (Fig. 8C)

**Type specimen.** — Panama, male, NHM [picture and description of holotype examined].

**Material examined.** — 9 specimens (Fig. 8C).

**Marava championi** (de Bormans, 1893)

**Material examined.** — 36 specimens.

**Marava parva** (Burr, 1912: 33).

**Type specimen.** — Suriname, male, NHMW [type picture examined].

**Material examined.** — 36 specimens.

**French Guiana** • 1 ♂; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitaraka, crique Alama; 2°14’2”N, 54°27’0”W; 12.III.2015; La Plaˆne Revisitee – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN • 4 ♀; same locality; 25.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; coll. CGIR (2); MNHN (2) • 1 ♂; Matoury (Mont Grand-Matoury); 9.VIII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2 ♂; Régina, Saut Mapaou; 4°11’28”N, 52°18’54”W; 27.X.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. DAMAT.

**Distribution.** — Surinam, Panama, French Guiana (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark**
Already cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1971c). Apparently a rare species that might be undercollected due to its minute size.

**Labia equatoria** (Burr, 1899)

**Purex formosus** Hebard, 1920

**Type specimen.** — Ecuador, male, NMNH [not examined].

**Material examined.** — None.

**Distribution.** — Surinam, Panama, French Guiana (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark**
Cited from French Guiana by Reichardt (1970) and Steinmann (1989b).

**Purex surinamensis** Brindle, 1971* (Fig. 9A)

**Purex surinamensis** Brindle, 1971b: 170.

**Type specimen.** — Suriname, male, RMNH [holotype picture examined].

**Material examined.** — 4 specimens (Fig. 9A).

**French Guiana** • 1 ♀; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitaraka, crique Alama; 2°14’2”N, 54°27’0”W; 12.III.2015; La Plaˆne Revisitee – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN • 4 ♀; same locality; 25.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; coll. CGIR (2); MNHN (2) • 1 ♂; Matoury (Mont Grand-Matoury); 9.VIII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2 ♂; Régina, Saut Mapaou; 4°11’28”N, 52°18’54”W; 27.X.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. DAMAT.

**Distribution.** — Only reported from Surinam (Brindle 1971b; Steinmann 1989b) and French Guiana (new record).

**Remark**
The identity of the specimens has been confirmed by comparison with photographs of the type specimen, deposited at Leiden. It has apparently rarely been collected since its description.

**Purex formosus** Hebard, 1920 (Fig. 9C; 10A)

**Purex formosus** Hebard, 1920: 340.

**Type specimen.** — French Guiana, male, MNHN [type examined].
Material examined. — 9 specimens (Fig. 9C, 10A).
French Guiana • 1 ♂; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitaraka, crique Alama; 2°14’2”N, 54°27’0”W; 16.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂, 1 ♀; same locality; 21.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/ PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN • 5 ♀; same locality; 25.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN (2); coll. CGIR (3) • 1 ♂; Kourou; Gourdonville; 5°1’N, 52°39’W; 1914; R. Benoist leg.; MNHN (holotype).

Distribution. — French Guiana (Steinmann 1989b; Hebard 1920; Brindle 1971b).

Remark
Described from French Guiana. The type is stored in the MNHN collection. The specimen collected during “Our Planet reviewed” expedition perfectly fits with the holotype. It seems that it is the first time that the female is collected.

Purex pulchellus Brindle, 1977

Purex pulchellus Brindle, 1977: 118.

Type specimen. — Venezuela, male, MIZA [not examined].

Material examined. — 1 specimen.
French Guiana • 1 adult; Regina; Aratyhe (affl. Approachagues); aval de Saut Pararé; 13.VII.1988; P. Grandcolas & L. Desutter leg.; MNHN.

Distribution. — Venezuela (Steinmann 1989b)

Remark
Type not examined. Identification of the species uncertain.

Purex parvicollis (Stal, 1860)∗
(Fig. 10B; 11A)

Forficula parvicollis Stal, 1860: 304.

Type specimen. — Brazil, male, NHRM [not examined].

Material examined. — 3 specimens (Fig. 10B, 11A).
French Guiana • 2 ♀; Saui, Mont Itoupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 26.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR; coll. DMAT • 1 ♂; Camopi; Mont Saint-Marcel; 635 m a.s.l.; 2°23’3”N, 53°0’37”W; 26.IX.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

Distribution. — Brazil, Panama (Steinmann 1989b), French Guiana (new record).

Remark
This species looks similar to Purex formosus, differing only by the shape of the forceps. In particular they both have the occiput undepressed, which is quite unusual among Purex species. Given that important variation exist in forceps shape in some species of Purex (Brindle 1977), P. formosus and P. parvicollis might represent two forms of the same species. This point needs further studies.

Purex frontalis (Dohrn, 1864)∗
(Fig. 9B)

Palidophora frontalis Dohrn, 1864: 422.

Type specimen. — Venezuela, male, NHMW [not examined].

Material examined. — 6 specimens (Fig. 9B).
French Guiana • 1 ♀; Saui, Mont Itoupé; 800 m a.s.l.; 3°1’19”N, 53°5’3”W; 20.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 22.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 25.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 26.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT • 1 ♂; same locality; 30.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality. 1.XII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT.

Distribution. — Costa Rica, Panama, Venezuela, Ecuador, Peru (Steinmann 1989b), French Guiana (new record).

Remark
This large species had never been collected previously in French Guiana. Its distribution range is thus extended eastwards.
**Spongiphora croceipennis** Audinet-Serville, 1831
(Fig. 12B)

**Spongiphora croceipennis** Audinet-Serville, 1831: 31.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, male, MNHN [not examined].

**Selected material examined.** — 69 specimens (Fig. 12B)

**French Guiana** • 1 ♂; Kourou (piste Montagne des Singes): 10-18.XI.1989; P. Bleuzen leg.; MNHN • 1 ♂; same locality: 2-3. XII.1989; B. Hermier leg.; MNHN • 1 ♂; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitara, crique Alama: 2°14'2"N, 54°27'0"W; 17.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN • 2 ♂; same locality; 21.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; coll. CGIR; MNHN • 4 ♀; same locality; 25.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN (3); coll. PKOC (1) • 1 ♀; Saül; sentier Belvédère; 2.IX.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 24.I.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 14.III.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 22.III.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 21.IV.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; same locality; 1.IV.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; Saül; sentier Belvédère (point de vue); 5.XI.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 20.I.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 21.IV.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 8.IX.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 15.IX.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; same locality; 12.I.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♀; Saül; pistes de Belizón; 19.II.1991; 16.I.2011; 4♂. — 69 specimens (Fig. 12B)

**Remark**

Very common and very widely distributed in French Guiana. It has been mistaken with *S. buprestoides* (Kirby, 1891) by Thouvenot (2011).

**Spongiphora buprestoides** (Kirby, 1891)*
(Fig. 12A)

**Labia buprestoides** Kirby, 1891: 519.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, male, NHM [examined].

**Material examined.** — 3 specimens (Fig. 12A).

**French Guiana** • 1 ♂; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitara, crique Alama: 2°14'2"N, 54°27'0"W; 16.III.2015; La Planète Revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN • 1 adult; Saül, Mont Itoupé; 600 m a.s.l.; 2.XII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1 ♂; Saül, sentier Belvédère (point de vue); 1.IX.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Previously known from Brazil, Bolivia and Peru (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark**

Cited by Thouvenot (2011) in French Guiana, by confusion with *S. croceipennis*. Probably rare in French Guiana. The specimens from French Guiana perfectly match the specimens from Bolivia stored at the MNHN (Rurrenabaque, Ixiamas, PK 83, 350 m a.s.l., 1-31.X.1993, P. Bleuzen leg., 2 females, 1 male).

**Spongovostox bilineatus** (Scudder, 1869)

**Labia bilineata** Scudder, 1869: 345.

**Type specimen.** — Ecuador, male, repository unknown [not examined].

**Material examined.** — None.

**Distribution.** — From Panama to Brazil (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark**

Cited from French Guiana by Reichardt (1970) in Haas (2009).

**Spongovostox ghilianii** (Dohrn, 1864)

**Labia ghilianii** Dohrn, 1864: 424.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, male, NHMW [syntype pictures examined].

**Material examined.** — 1 specimens.

**French Guiana** • 1 adult; Bas Maroni, Charvein; V.1919; Le Moult rec.; L. Chopard leg; MNHN.
Spongovostox schwarzi (Caudell, 1907)

*Labia schwarzi* Caudell, 1907: 173.

**Type specimen.** — Guatemala, male, USNM [not studied].

**Material examined.** — None.

**Distribution.** — Guatemala, Mexico, French Guiana (Steinmann 1989b; Brindle 1971c).

**Remark.**

Cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1971c).

*Spongovostox pygmaeus* (Dohrn, 1864)

Psalidophora *pygmaeus* Dohrn, 1864: 421.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, male, NHMW [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 3 specimens.

**French Guiana** • 1 ♀; 1♂; Apatou, PK 25; 9.I.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; Saül; sentier Belvédère; 20.XII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Guatemala, Nicaragua, Panama, Venezuela, Peru and Brazil (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark.**

The identification of the species is still uncertain. However, it matches well the description given in Brindle (1971c) and Steinmann (1989b).

*Vostox brunneipennis* (Audinet-Serville, 1838)

Psalidophora *brunneipennis* Audinet-Serville, 1838 [1839]: 30.

**Type specimen.** — United States, male, MNHN [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 26 specimens

**French Guiana** • 1♂; Arataye (affl. Approuagues); aval de Saut Pararé; 14.VII.1988; P. Grandcolas & L. Desutter leg.; MNHN • 2♂; Matoury (La Désirée); 20.VII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2♀; same locality; 26.VII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; Matoury (Mont Grand-Matoury); 3.VIII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 14.IX.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; Saint-Elie (Savane roche sur le Haut Koursibo); 4°18'58"; 53°17'10"; 2.XI.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1adult; Sault; sentier Belvédère (point de vue); 30.XII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1adult; same locality; 30.III.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2adults; Montsinéry-Tonnegrande; Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44'34.3"N, 52°25'53.51"W; 22.VIII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1adult; same locality; 29.VIII.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2adults; same locality; 7.XI.2010; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1adult; same locality; 29.V.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 29.VI.2011; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 24.VIII.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 14.XII.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 4.I.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 11.I.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 2♂; same locality; 19.VII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 18.X.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♂; same locality; 8.XI.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; Régina; Regina, Saut Mapau; 4°11'28"N, 52°18'54"W; 27.X.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR.

**Distribution.** — Canada, United States, Central America, Colombia, Venezuela, Trinidad, Surinam, French Guiana, Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, Brazil and Argentina (Brindle 1971c; Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark.**

Widely distributed in French Guiana. Steinmann (1989b) synonymizes *Vostox brunneipennis* and *Vostox punctipennis* (Stal, 1860), without justification, while Brindle (1971c) separates the two species on the account of the puncturation of the forewings. We here follow Steinmann, but in case the two species proved distinct, the species from South America should be named *Vostox punctipennis* (Stal, 1858).

*Vostox vicinus* (Burr, 1912)*

(Fig. 11B)

Spongovostox *vicinus* Burr, 1912: 336.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, male, NHMW [holotype description examined].

**Remark.**

The specimen from the MNHN closely matches the illustrations of Burr (1912) and Brindle (1971d, e) specimens from West Indies (and is also identical to our specimens from Martinique, Trinité, le Galion, 21.V.2014, PD. Lucas leg., 1 female, 1 male, coll. CGIR) but differs from the original description by Dohrn (1864). As pointed out by Hebard (1920), *Labia ghilianii* was described based on several syntypes that may belong to different species. The type locality is from Brazil, by designation from Hebard (1920).

**Distribution.** — Guadeloupe, Martinique, Brazil, Venezuela, French Guiana, Suriname and Dominica (Steinmann 1989b; Brindle 1971c, d, e).

**Remark.**

The specimen from the MNHN closely matches the illustrations of Burr (1912) and Brindle (1971d, e) specimens from West Indies (and is also identical to our specimens from Martinique, Trinité, le Galion, 21.V.2014, PD. Lucas leg., 1 female, 1 male, coll. CGIR) but differs from the original description by Dohrn (1864). As pointed out by Hebard (1920), *Labia ghilianii* was described based on several syntypes that may belong to different species. The type locality is from Brazil, by designation from Hebard (1920).
Material examined. — 10 specimens (Fig. 11B).

**French Guiana** • 1♂; Montsinéry-Tonnegrande; Montagne des Chevaux (Montagne Yéyé), RN2 PK22; 100 m a.s.l.; 4°44′34.3″N, 52°25′53.5″W; 4.V.2013; SEAG com.; MNHN • 1♂; same locality; 25.V.2013; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1♀; same locality; 19.VII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. CGIR • 1adult; same locality; 3.VII.2014; SEAG com.; coll. DMAT.

Distribution. — Brazil (Steinmann 1989b), French Guiana (new record).

**Remark**

This species had never been recorded outside Brazil, but the specimens studied perfectly match with the description from Burr.

Subfamily **Labiinae** Burr, 1909

**Circolabia arcuata** (Scudder, 1876)
(Fig. 11C)

**Labia arcuata** Scudder, 1876: 257.

**Type specimen.** — Brazil, male, unknown repository [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 9 specimens (only a very small part of the material collected) (Fig. 11C).

**French Guiana** • 1♂; Maripasoula, contreforts du Mitaraka, crique Alama; 2°14′2″N, 54°27′0″W; 25.III.2015; La Planète revisitée – MNHN/PNI Guyane 2015 (APA-973-1) com.; MNHN • 1♂; Maroni, environ du Saut Hermine; 1903; F. Geay leg.; MNHN • 1♂; Saint-Laurent du Maroni; avant 1912; Le Moult leg.; MNHN • 1♂; Saul; 28.X.1969; Balachowsky & Gruner leg.; Brindle det.; MNHN • 1♂; Saul, Mont Ioupé; 600 m a.s.l.; 29.III.2010; SEAG com.; coll. PKOC • 1larva; Kourou; Gourdonville; 5°1′N, 52°39′W; 1906; Le Moult leg.; MNHN • 1♂; Saul, sentier Belvédère; 23.II.2011; SEAG com.; coll. YKAM • 1♀; same locality; 22.III.2011; SEAG com.; coll. YKAM.

**Distribution.** — Central and South America (Steinmann 1989b). Already cited from French Guiana by Brindle (1968b) and Hebard (1920).

**Remark**

Very common species in the Neotropics, widely distributed in French Guiana.

**Paralabella chopardi** (Hebard, 1920)

**Microvostox chopardi** Hebard, 1920: 346.

**Type specimen.** — French Guiana, male, MNHN [type examined].

**Material examined.** — 1 specimen (holotype).

**French Guiana** • 1adult; Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni (Nouveau Chantier); 1919; Le Moult rec.; L. Chopard leg.; MNHN (holotype).

**Distribution.** — French Guiana (Brindle 1968b, 1971c; Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark**

Apparently never collected since its description.

**Paralabella dorsalis** (Burmeister, 1838)

**Forficula dorsalis** Burmeister, 1838: 754.

**Type specimen.** — Columbia, unknown repository [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 5 specimens (only a very small part of the material collected)

**French Guiana** • 1adult; Régina; Arataye (affl. Approagues); 8 km NE Saut Pararé; 21.X.1989; P. Grandcolas leg.; C. Jamet det.; MNHN • 2adults; Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni; janvier; Le Moult leg.; MNHN • 2adults; Saint-Laurent-du-Maroni; Saint-Jean-du-Maroni; V.1914; R. Benoit leg.; Hebard det.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — West Indies, Mexico, Costa Rica, Panama, northern South America (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark**

Apparently common in French Guiana. Already cited by Brindle (1968b) and by Hebard (1920).

**Paralabella curvicauda** (Motschulsky, 1863)

**Forficula curvicauda** Motschulsky, 1863: 2.

**Type specimen.** — Ceylan, unknown repository [not examined].

**Material examined.** — 1 specimen.

**French Guiana** • 1adult; Arataye (affl. Approagues); 8 km NE Saut Pararé; 13.IV.1988; L. Desutter leg.; C. Jamet det.; MNHN.

**Distribution.** — Cosmopolitan (Steinmann 1989b).

**Remark**

The specimen from French Guiana matches very well those from the West Indies (Guadeloupe, Capesterre, 23.X1.2013, etc.)...
FREDON Guadeloupe com., 1 male, coll. CGIR; Martinique, Ajoupa-Bouillon (Eden), 8.I.2014, FREDON Martinique com., 4 females, coll. CGIR; Le Français, Grand Fond, 16.XII.2011, P. D. Lucas leg., 1 male, coll. CGIR).

SPECIES DOUBTFUL OR CITED BY ERROR

*Carcinophora americana* Palisot de Beauvois, 1817

*Carcinophora americana* Palisot de Beauvois, 1817: 165.

REMARK

Cited from French Guiana by Haas (2009), after Audinet-Serville (1838), which in fact refers to *Pyragropsis thoracica*. *Carcinophora americana* is not recorded from French Guiana by Audinet-Serville and it has never been collected there.

*Forficula brolemanni* Borelli, 1907

*Forficula brolemanni* Borelli, 1907: 1.

REMARK

Cited from French Guiana by Haas (2009), by confusion with French Guinea (now Guinea, Africa).

*Kleter scampolo* Steinmann, 1990

*Kleter scampolo* Steinmann, 1990: 226.

REMARK

The material cited under that name in Brülé *et al.* (2014) refers to *Neopisthocosmia geijskesii* and *Sarcinatrix quadrimaculata* (Girod pers. obs.).

*Euborellia annulipes* (Lucas, 1847)

*Euborellia annulipes* Lucas, 1847: 84.

REMARK

Cited from French Guiana by Reichardt (1968b) in Haas (2009). The location where it was collected (Haute-Carsevenne, specimen stored at MNHN) is now in Brazil (Amapa state). However, this species is cosmopolitan and could be found somewhere else in French Guiana.

DISCUSSION

DIVERSITY IN FRENCH GUIANA

Forty-nine species of Dermaptera are now recorded from French Guiana. We have thus greatly enhanced the knowledge of Dermaptera in French Guiana. The species number is similar to other South American countries such as Peru (55 species) or Nicaragua (42 species) (Haas 2018). Thirty-seven species were recorded from Surinam and 14 from French Guiana by Brindle (1968b). A few additional ones have since then been described (Brindle 1971b, 1982) and it is likely that the number of species is probably similar in these two countries, but Surinam has until now been less studied than French Guiana. In the Guiana Shield, Venezuela has a greater diversity with 85 species recorded, which is probably due to its larger size and to its altitudinal range (up to 4978 m) which enable more diversity.

Still, the number of species in French Guiana is probably underestimated, as several undetermined specimens which do not belong to any of the species mentioned in our checklist are still under studies. The number of localities studied up to know is scarce, and many species have only been found in one or two places. Thus, it is likely that additional species will be found when new places are studied.

Furthermore, the collecting methods probably induced a bias towards winged species. Many wingless species occur around the world and in the Neotropics, and some of them might be found in French Guiana; as most of the collecting methods used aerial traps or nets, it is likely that wingless species are less collected than winged ones. In addition, it was also shown in Africa that some species occur more frequently in canopy than at the ground level (Haas & Klass 2003). Many earwigs species are found in epiphytic plants, in particular bromeliads (Picado 1913; Brindle 1974). Additional research on the entomological fauna of the canopy will probably lead to new discoveries.

**BIogeographical data**

It is tentative to establish any tendencies, because some places have been more prospected than others, so bias might occur. However, while some species such as *Spongiphora croceipennis*, *Kleter aterrima*, *Carcinophora percheroni*, *Vostox brunneipennis*, *Circolabia arcuata* are widely distributed in French Guiana (and have been collected many times), some others have only been recorded in a few places. For instance, *Neopisthocosmia geijskesii* has only been collected on the inselbergs and high summits of French Guiana (and was described from an inselberg in Suriname). Mount Itoupé in particular, being one of French Guiana highest mountain (830 m), gives shelter to rare and interesting species (*Doru unicolor*, *Sarcinatrix quadrimaculata*, *Purex surinamensis*).

Mitaraka mounts also display a high diversity, with 12 species recorded (24.5 % of French Guiana diversity) and at least four additional species that could not be identified up to know, and are thus not mentioned in this paper. Some of the species recorded there are widely distributed (*Kleter aterrima*, *Spongiphora croceipennis*, *Carcinophora scudderi*, *Carcinophora percheroni*), but a few other (*Cosmogerax doeburgi*, *Eugerax poecilum*) have only been recorded from this place. In addition, *Purex formosus* was rediscovered in these mounts, a century after its first collecting near Kourou. Further studies will be necessary to establish if any biogeographical trends in earwigs distribution occurs in French Guiana.
TAXONOMICAL PROBLEMS
Many taxonomical problems remain among neotropical earwigs. For instance, the genus *Kletter* (Forficulidae) needs revision as the delimitation between *Kletter boesiumani*, *Kletter americanus* and *Kletter aterrina* is unclear.

Most problems deal with Spongiphoridae. Thus, some other Geracinae have been collected in French Guiana. However, they could not be assigned to a species with enough confidence, due to rarity of specimens. The Spongiphoridae are also taxonomically very diverse and very difficult to identify, especially for species which are only known by a few specimens. Many unidentified species of *Marutua*, *Spongovostox* and *Purex* are present in our collection. In addition, as pointed out above, *Spongovostox ghilianii* probably refers to more than one species, but it is unclear whether a name is available for the specimens from French Guiana.

Despite these taxonomical issues, this checklist of the earwigs of French Guiana enabled to provide some new information which update Thounenot (2011), Brindle (1966b) and Hebard (1920). It will hopefully be completed, in the next years, by additional data on the unidentified specimens and their distribution in French Guiana. We also hope that it will be of help for other entomologists collecting in the Neotropics to identify their specimens and that it will bring attention to this somehow neglected order.

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