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SYSTEMATICS OF THE GENUS GROUP TAXA OF THE SIPHONINI
(DIPTERA: TACHINIDAE)

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ABSTRACT

The Siphonini are a monophyletic tribe including 386 named species (including subspecies and nomina dubia, but excluding nomina nuda and misspellings), of which 294 are recognized as taxonomically valid species. The genera and subgenera of the tribe are revised for the world fauna, based on study of adults of most described and more than 100 undescribed species, and first instars of 68 species. Seven genera are recognized, each hypothesized as monophyletic: Goniocera Brauer and Bergenstamm, Proceromyia Mesnil (elevated from subgeneric status within Ceromya and including Nipponoceromyia Mesnil and Shima, n. syn.), Entomophaga Lioy, Ceromya Robineau-Desvoidy (including new synonym Actinactia Townsend), Actia Robineau-Desvoidy, Peribaea Robineau-Desvoidy and Siphona Meigen. Ceromya is informally divided into Ceromya sensu stricto and the Ceromya silacea species group. The concept of Siphona is broadened to include the following nine subgenera, each previously recognized as a genus and each (except for one, as noted) hypothesized as monophyletic: Actinocrocuta Townsend (new subgeneric status), Aphantorhapha Townsend (new subgeneric status), Aphantorhaphopsis Townsend (new subgeneric status; an unresolved and possibly polyphyletic group of Old World species, including Asiphona Mesnil, n. syn.), Baeomyia O'Hara (new subgeneric status), Ceranthia Robineau-Desvoidy (new subgeneric status), Pseudosiphona Townsend (new subgeneric status), Siphona Meigen sensu stricto, Siphonopsis Townsend (new subgeneric status) and Uruactia Townsend (new subgeneric status). Three species groups, and a group of unrelated and unplaced species, of undescribed New World Siphona s.l. species are reviewed but not formally named or described.

New combinations resulting from reclassification of the Siphonini are: Nipponoceromyia pubioculata Mesnil and Shima moved to Proceromyia; Actia amblyerca Aldrich, Actia cornuta Aldrich, Actinactia lutea Townsend and Actia normula Curran moved to Ceromya; Actia stiglinae Bezzi moved to Peribaea; Actia panamensis Curran and Aphantorhapha pulla Reinhard moved to Siphona s.l. (and unplaced to subgenus); and the following 20 species are provisionally placed in S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) (most formerly placed in Asiphona, a junior synonym of S.
(Aphantoraphopsis): Crocuta (Siphona) alticola Mesnil, Actia angustifrons Malloch, Actia brunnescens Villeneuve, Crocuta (Siphona) crassulata Mesnil, Siphona (Asiphona) fera Mesnil, Siphona (Asiphona) laboriosa Mesnil, Actia laticornis Malloch, Actia mallochiana Gardner, Siphona (Asiphona) nigronitens Mesnil, Actia norma Malloch, Asiphona picturata Mesnil, Siphona (Asiphona) pudica Mesnil, Actia samarensis Villeneuve, Actia selangor Malloch, Thryptocera selecta Pandelle, Gymnopareia siphonoides Sirobi, Siphona (Asiphona) speciosa Mesnil, Actia starkei Mesnil, Actia verralli Wainwright and Siphona (Asiphona) xanthosoma Mesnil, Actia heterochaeta BeZzi, a nomen dubium, is left unplaced within the Siphonini. Removed from the Siphonini is Actia aberrans Malloch (referred to Eurysthaea Robineau-Desvoidy by Crosskey, pers. comm.).

The status of named species has, in general, been maintained as listed in current literature, though the following new synonymies were recognized and are herein proposed: Actia brevis Malloch synonymized with A. darwini Malloch, Peribaea subaequalis (Malloch) with P. orbata (Wiedemann), Actinocrocuta chaetosa Townsend with Siphona (Actinocrocuta) singularis (Wiedemann), and Siphona janssensi (Mesnil) with S. (Siphona) cuthbertsoni Curran. Elevated from subspecific to species status are: Ceromya similata Mesnil, Siphona (Siphona) infuscata (Mesnil) and S. (Siphona) nigrohalterata Mesnil. Lectotypes are designated for Ceromyia cibdela (Villeneuve) and S. (Pseudosiphona) brevirostris Coquillet.

A chapter about structural features of the Siphonini is followed by a key to genera and then by descriptions of genera and subgenera. Keys are also provided to the species of Proceromyia and Entomophaga and for the subgenera of Siphona s.l. A list of known siphonine hosts is included. A cladistic analysis based on ingroup (Siphonini) and outgroup (other Tachinidae) comparisons is used to partially reconstruct the phylogenetic history of the major siphonine lineages. Geographic distribution of siphonine genera and subgenera is discussed in relation to historical events during earth history and the presumed phylogenetic history of the Siphonini.

RÉSUMÉ

La Siphonini est une tribu monophylétique qui comprend 386 espèces nommées (y compris les sous-espèces et noms dubios, mais à l’exclusion de noms nuda et ses mauvaises épelations). De ces espèces, 294 sont reconnues comme étant taxonomiquement valides. Les genres et sous-genres de la tribu sont révisés pour la faune mondiale, ce basé sur une étude des adultes de la plupart des espèces décrites, des adultes de plus de 100 espèces non-décrites, et des larves de premier stade de 68 espèces. On reconnaît sept genres, et on hypothèse que chacun de ceux-ci est monophylétique: Goniocera Brauer et Bergenstamm, Proceromyia Mesnil (élevé du statu sous-genre dans Ceromya et y compris Nipponoceromyia Mesnil et Shima, n. syn.), Entomophaga Lioy, Ceromyia Robineau-Desvoidy (y compris le nouveau synonyme Actinactia Townsend), Actia Robineau-Desvoidy,
Peribaea Robineau-Desvoidy et Siphona Meigen. A titre non-officiel, Ceromya est divisé en deux groupes: Ceromya sensu stricto et le groupe d’espèces Ceromya silacea. Le concept de Siphona est élargi pour inclure les neuf sous-genres suivants, chacun préalablement reconnu comme genre et chacun (à l’exception d’un tel, que noté) étant par hypothèse monophylétique: Actinocrocuta Townsend (nouveau statu sous-générique), Aphantorhapha Townsend (nouveau statu sous-générique), Aphantorhaphopsis Townsend (nouveau statu sous-générique; un groupe irrésolu et possiblement polyphylétique d’espèces de l’ancien monde, y compris Asiphona Mesnil, n. syn.), Baeomyia O’Hara (nouveau statu sous-générique), Ceranthia Robineau-Desvoidy (nouveau statu sous-générique), Pseudosiphona Townsend (nouveau statu sous-générique), Siphona Meigen sensu stricto, Siphonopsis Townsend (nouveau statu sous-générique). Trois groupes d’espèces, et un groupe d’espèces sans lien de parenté et d’espèces non-classées, de Siphona s.l. du nouveau monde sont examinés sans être nommés ou décrits formellement.

Les nouvelles combinaisons résultant de la reclassification des Siphonini sont: Nipponoceromyia pubioculata Mesnil et Shima passe à Proceromyia; Actia amblycera Aldrich, Actia cornuta Aldrich, Actinactia lutea Townsend et Actia normula Curran passent à Ceromya; Actia stigilae Bezzi passe à Peribaea; Actia panamensis Curran et Aphantorhapha pulla Reinhard passe à Siphona s.l. (et non-classé au niveau du sous-genre); et les 20 espèces suivantes sont provisoirement placées dans S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) (plus antérieurement placées dans Asiphona, un synonyme junior de S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)): Crocuta (Siphona) alticola Mesnil, Actia angustifrons Malloch, Actia brunnescens Villeneuve, Crocuta (Siphona) crassulata Mesnil, Siphona (Asiphona) fera Mesnil, Siphona (Asiphona) laboriosa Mesnil, Actia laticornis Malloch, Actia mallochiana Gardner, Siphona (Asiphona) nigronitens Mesnil, Actia norma Malloch, Siphona picturata Mesnil, Siphona (Asiphona) pudica Mesnil, Actia samarensis Villeneuve, Actia selangor Malloch, Thryptocera selecta Pandelle, Gymnopareia siphonoides Strobl, Siphona (Asiphona) speciosa Mesnil, Actia starkei Mesnil, Actia verralli Wainwright et Siphona (Asiphona) xanthosoma Mesnil. Actia heterochaeta Bezzi, un nomen dubium, demeure non-classé parmi les Siphonini. Actia aberrans Malloch est enlevé des Siphonini (et rapporté à Eurysthaea Robineau-Desvoidy par Crosskey, comm. pers.).

Le statu des espèces nommées a été maintenu en général, tel qu’inscrit dans la littérature, à l’exception des nouvelles synonymies reconnues et proposées comme suit: Actia brevis Malloch synonyme de A. darwini Malloch, Peribaea subaequalis (Malloch) synonyme de P. orbata (Wiedemann), Actinocrocuta chaetosa Townsend synonyme de Siphona (Actinocrocuta) singularis (Weidemann), et Siphona janssensi (Mesnil) synonyme de S. (Siphona) cuthbertsoni Curran. Les suivantes sont élevées de sous-espèces à espèces: Ceromya similata Mesnil, Siphona (Siphona) infuscata (Mesnil) et S. (Siphona) nigroalterata Mesnil. Des lectotypes sont designés pour Ceromya cibdela (Villeneuve) et S. (Pseudosiphona) brevirostris Coquillett.

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Un chapitre sur les traits structuraux des Siphonini est suivi d'une clef pour les genres, et ensuite par les descriptions des genres et sous-genres. Des clefs sont aussi incluses pour les especes de Proceromyia et Entomophaga et pour les sous-genres de Siphona s.l. Une liste des hotes reconnus pour les siphonines est incluse. Une analyse cladistique basee sur des comparaisons en groupe (Siphonini) et hors groupe (autres Tachinidae) est utiliste pour reconstruire partiellement l'histoire phylogénétique des lignées majeurs siphonines. La distribution géographique des genres et sous-genres des siphonines est discutée en relation avec les événements historiques de l'évolution de la terre, et l'histoire phylogénétique présomptueuse des Siphonini.

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INTRODUCTION

The Siphonini are a monophyletic tribe of about 300 described species and more than 100 undescribed species, of uncertain phylogenetic position within the Tachinidae (some authors favoring its placement in the Goniinae, others the Tachininae). Adults are smaller than most tachinid flies, generally 3-5mm in length, and larvae are almost exclusively parasitoids of larval Lepidoptera. Siphonines are widely distributed throughout the world, with greatest diversity in non-rainforest areas of the tropics.

Mesnil established the modern concept of the Siphonini (as Siphonina) in his illustrious tachinid contribution to “Die Fliegen der palaearktischen Region” (1962-5). Prior to that time, several genera now relegated to the Neaerini were included because of their external similarity to members of the Siphonini (e.g. Mesnil 1939, 1954; van Emden, 1954). Herting (1957), in his interpretive survey of female genitalia in the Calyptratae, was first to recognize the error in this classification and his findings were subsequently incorporated into Mesnil’s (1962-5) revision of the Palearctic Siphonini. Crosskey maintained Mesnil’s concept of the tribe in his treatments of the tachinid faunas of the Australian (1973), Oriental (1976a) and Afrotropical (1980) regions, as did Andersen (1983) in his recent generic revision of the Old World Siphonini and Herting (1984) in his catalogue of Palearctic Tachinidae.

In marked contrast to the recent attention conferred upon Old World siphonines, the New World fauna is without a modern treatment at any level. Townsend’s (1940) revision of the “Siphonini” and “Actiini” in his “Manual of Myiologia” is an untenable classification comprising a heterogeneous and polyphyletic assemblage of genera. A valuable step toward a modern classification of North American Siphonini was achieved by Sabrosky and Arnaud (1965). These authors brought together almost all the siphonine taxa of America north of Mexico within their subtribe of the Siphonini, the Siphonina, but included therein a number of unrelated genera.

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Guimarães (1971) catalogued the tachinids of America south of the United States, and though following the broad concept of the Siphonini advanced by Sabrosky and Arnault, he did not similarly recognize subtribes; consequently his genera of the Siphonini sensu Mesnil are interspersed with a variety of unrelated taxa.

This study was undertaken with the aim of revising the supraspecific taxa of the Siphonini and in particular reclassifying the New World siphonines in light of recent advances concerning the Old World fauna. This aim has been tempered somewhat by the diverse and largely undescribed fauna of the Neotropics, which requires detailed study and description of species before a satisfactory supraspecific classification can be established. The results of a preliminary study of many undescribed Neotropical species are included here as an aid to future systematic research on the Neotropical Siphonini.

In addition to revising the Siphonini and providing a framework about which future revisions of genera can proceed, this work is also an exploration into the phylogenetic relationships among the supraspecific taxa and character state diversity among species. To attain this goal, most available types and specimens of many undescribed species were examined.

Included in this paper are lists of species names in the Siphonini, arranged according to a revised classification of the tribe. Descriptions of the genera and subgenera are provided along with keys to the genera of the Siphonini, subgenera of Siphona s.l. and species of Proceromia and Eniomphaga. Known hosts of the Siphonini are listed. Character state diversity is tabulated and discussed, and the phylogenetic and geographic history of the supraspecific taxa is analyzed.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Materials

This paper is based on the morphological study of adult specimens of about 270 of the 294 described species of the Siphonini, more than 100 undescribed New World species, and numerous undescribed Old World species. Included among these specimens were 264 primary types and eight paratypes; types not examined include 31 known to be lost (22 of these being Robineau-Desvoidy nominal species) and 13 not located and possibly lost. Male genitalia of more than 250 species and female genitalia of about 90 species were examined. First instars of 68 species were also examined (see O'Hara in press “a”).

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Methods

*Ranking of taxa.*— Ideally a classification should be practical to the general taxonomist, informative to the specialist, and an accurate reflection of the hypothesized cladistic relationships among included taxa. In reality few groups can be so perfectly classified, as the three criteria are often to a greater or lesser extent at odds with one another. The problem is particularly acute when cladistic relationships are inadequately known, as in the Siphonini. In light of this problem, and in an effort to adhere as closely as possible to the three criteria given above, a classification for the Siphonini is proposed using the formal supraspecific categories of genus and subgenus and informal category of species group, with different criteria for each.

In addition to the accepted criterion of being phenetically distinct from one another (an admittedly vague concept), genera recognized herein are hypothesized as monophyletic (holophyletic) lineages which are distinguishable by non-genitalic characters (except for a few species possessing key-character parallelisms). Though in combination these criteria are still subjective, they are stated here simply to give
the reader some indication of the guidelines followed in erecting the Siphonini classification proposed herein; genera (like all taxa) are by nature subjective entities undefinable by objective criteria. Most significantly, the criteria used here have led to a broadening of *Siphona* to include a number of previously recognized genera (mostly of Townsend). This broadened concept of *Siphona* comprises a monophyletic group recognizable by the non-specialist; lower ranks within the genus are used (as explained below) to serve the needs of the specialist.

The rank of subgenus has been used sparingly during the taxonomic history of the Tachinidae, particularly by the most prolific describer of New World tachinids, C.H.T. Townsend. Townsend had a very restricted generic concept, generally erecting new genera of questionable value for the inclusion of a very few species. As Townsend’s work is re-evaluated, most of his genera are being combined with others or his original generic limits expanded. With respect to the Siphonini, most of his genera proposed for non-*Siphona s.l.* species have been combined with other genera, leaving only his *Siphona* group genera, representing mostly New World taxa, unrevised. Whereas Townsend’s genera previously combined with non-*Siphona* genera required no change to the concepts of those taxa, the same is not true of his *Siphona* group names. Each of these names (i.e. *Actinocrocota, Aphantorhapha, Aphantorhaphopsis, Pseudosiphona, Siphonopsis* and *Uruactia*) designate lineages of unknown relationship to one another. Either they must all be retained as genera or the generic limits of another genus broadened for their inclusion, if one is to follow the criterion of monophyly stated above for genera. In addition, most of these lineages are phenetically similar, and only distinguishable by male genitalic characters. A compromise position has been adopted here by reducing Townsend’s *Siphona* group genera to subgenera within a broadened concept of *Siphona*. *Siphona s.l.* is strictly monophyletic under this classificatory scheme, and lower units are given the equal rank of subgenus because of the unknown cladistic relationships among them. Thus such distinctive groups as *Baeomyia* and *Ceranthia* are also assigned subgeneric rank along with Townsend’s names because their exclusion would make *Siphona s.l.* paraphyletic. By retaining Townsend’s genera in a formal classification, albeit at lower rank, the taxonomic and phylogenetic unity of each of these taxa is retained, which would otherwise be lost if *Siphona* was broadened and no lower ranks recognized. Ideally, I would like to see some New World subgenera of *Siphona s.l.* combined with one another in the future, but at present no synapotypies are known upon which to base such action. More taxonomically and phylogenetically useful characters need to be discovered so that the numerous undescribed species of *Siphona s.l.* are not classified into new *Siphona* subgenera of unnecessarily narrow limits.

All *Siphona* subgenera are considered strictly monophyletic except one. An exception has been made for *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* on practical grounds. Old World species of the *Siphona* group not belonging to *Siphona s.s.* or *S. (Ceranthia)* have been assembled together in *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* as a preliminary measure
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...until the group can be adequately revised. Many of its described species are known only from holotypes - some male, others female - severely restricting their detailed study. Given also the rich undescribed fauna that belongs within this group, a revision of this assemblage is not attempted within this work. Preliminary study of these species suggests they have few, if any, close relationships with New World Siphona s.l. species, and almost certainly no close relationships with the New World Siphona subgenera recognized here.

The lowest supraspecific rank used is that of the informal species group. This rank is used for strictly monophyletic assemblages of species, and is used in two parts of the classification, once in Ceromya s.l. and again in Siphona s.l.

The species of Ceromya s.l. are arranged in Ceromya s.s. and the C. silacea species group, each tentatively hypothesized as monophyletic. This arrangement is presently incomplete because each can only be recognized by examination of male genitalia and not all species of Ceromya s.l. were examined for male genitalic states. The two groups of Ceromya s.l. are referred to as above to reflect the tentative nature of these findings and to avoid premature changes to the classification. If future studies support the monophyly of each group and their sister group relationship, then both could be formally recognized as subgenera of Ceromya s.l.

Nearly 100 undescribed siphonine species are known from the New World. More than half belong to such distinctive taxa as Actia, Ceromya and Siphona s.s., or are included in the revised concepts of such Siphona subgenera as Pseudosiphona and Siphonopsis. The remainder do not exhibit clear relationships with any of the named taxa, although relationships are evident among some of these species. To reflect these relationships, document diversity, and to guide future studies on the assemblage, three numbered species groups are separately discussed, and the remaining 20-odd species treated as a whole. Thus the assemblage of known but undescribed species of New World Siphona s.l. is discussed in as detailed a manner as possible at this time. The naming of new species and possibly supraspecific taxa awaits a more detailed systematic examination of this diverse and undescribed fauna.

Treatment of undescribed species.— No new species is described in this work, though the characteristics of many are incorporated into the descriptions of the supraspecific taxa. I consecutively numbered (according to country or region of origin) undescribed species within each supraspecific taxon so that information obtained from these undescribed species could be usefully expressed herein. The examined specimens were appropriately labelled to permit their recognition in collections during future systematic studies of the Siphonini.

The numbering of undescribed species includes two or more higher taxa in two groups. The first involves Ceromya s.l., in which undescribed species are numbered consecutively according to country or region of origin regardless of their placement in Ceromya s.s. or the Ceromya silacea species group. The second group involves species included in New World Siphona species groups 1 and 3 and...
species of New World *Siphona s.l.*: these were numbered together consecutively from 1 to 34. [Groups 1 and 3 were recognized after the original numbering system was adopted, so their numbers were not changed when the species were shifted to their present classification. *Siphona* species group 2 was recognized before the other groups, and includes ten species numbered from one to ten.] One species from the above series, sp. 31, was recognized as near *S. (Uruactia) uruhuasi* and transferred to *S. (Uruactia)* without a change in number. Due to other taxonomic changes, no species in the *Siphona s.l.* series is numbered 9, 11 or 18 (i.e. these numbers are not used to designate undescribed species).

**Terms.**— Terms used here are those proposed by McAlpine (1981), with several changes as discussed in O’Hara (1983a: 269-70). Two additional changes are made with respect to male genitalia because of conflicting theories about genitalic homology. Griffiths’ (1972, 1981) interpretation of homologies in male genitalia differs from that of McAlpine (1981), so the neutral terms pregonite and postgonite here replace McAlpine’s controversial homology of these structures with, respectively, the gonopod and paramere. I also use the common terms epandrium and surstylus, though for descriptive purposes only and not in rejection of Griffiths’ periandrial hypothesis about development of these structures.

The male abdominal sternum 5 is a sclerite of varied shape among siphonines. There do not appear to be standard terms available for detailed description of this structure, so I have chosen arbitrary terms for this purpose, and explain their meaning in the Structural Features chapter in characters 38 to 40. Features of this structure are labelled in Fig. 47.

Many terms used for head features, thoracic and abdominal setation, and genitalic structures are labelled in figs. 1-12 in O’Hara (1983a: 345-8); wing veins are labelled here in Fig. 21, features of first instars in Figs. 157-158, and varied external and genitalic features are labelled on scanning electron photomicrographs, Figs. 23-46.

**Examination and illustration of specimens.**— Adult specimens were examined with a Wild M5 stereoscopic microscope, with standard light source, at magnifications to 50X. Genitalia and first instars were studied with a Leitz SM-LUX compound microscope at magnifications to 400X. Though most genitalic features are visible at 50X with a dissecting microscope, there are certain taxonomically and phylogenetically important characters of the male genitalia, particularly those of the pregonite (characters 44-46), not readily discernible unless examined at 100X with a compound microscope or high resolution dissecting microscope (as discussed under appropriate characters in the Structural Features chapter).

Structures were drawn with the aid of a camera lucida or drawing tube, as explained in O’Hara (1983a: 268-9). Certain structures were gold-coated and examined and illustrated using a Cambridge M-250 scanning electron microscope. Illustrations referred to in other works are cited as “fig.”, original illustrations shown
genitalic dissections.— male and female genitalia of siphonines provide some of the best character systems for taxonomic study and phylogenetic analysis. the genitalia of more than 600 siphonines were dissected during this study, following the method of O’Hara (1983a: 271-2). briefly stated, this procedure involved removal of the abdomen from an adult specimen, partial clearing of the abdomen in 10% NaOH, dissection of genitalia, reattachment of abdomen to specimen, and storage of genitalia in glycerine. the abdomen generally changed little from its pre-dissection condition except for slight clearing and some shrivelling. perhaps because of these minor changes, plus the time involved in preparation, most past workers have avoided study of siphonine genitalia despite the wealth of taxonomic and phylogenetic information they contain.

Genitalic preparations were stored during this study in short vials of glycerine in specially designed trays (O’Hara and McIntyre 1984), permitting direct examination and comparison among genitalia. each dissection was numbered such that adult specimens and genitalia could be stored and examined separately and later easily re-associated. genitalia were placed in microvials and pinned below their respective adult specimens for return of institutional loans. Dissection tags were placed in each microvial and attached to each pin to help prevent future accidental dissociation of genitalia and adult specimens, and to allow particular dissections referred to, or illustrated, herein to be identified in collections and restudied.

Each dissection was color-coded and numbered. the following colors were used, and a one letter abbreviation of each color identifies the appropriate dissection series in the text: blue (B), green (G), orange (O), red (R), white (W) and yellow (Y).

STRUCTURAL FEATURES

Historical review

The very long geniculata proboscis of Siphona s.s. species was recognized as a fundamental feature of that genus from the earliest writings about the Siphonini, but it was not until publication of Mesnil’s (1954) work entitled “Genres Actio Robineau-Desvoidy et Voisins” that the concepts of other large siphonine genera reached their near-modern forms.

Mesnil (op. cit.) perceptively recognized the diagnostic value of two structural features of siphonines that had been noted by previous authors but not used at the generic level. one was Villeneuve’s (1924: 22) discovery that the anal vein extended to the wing margin in certain species, which Mesnil used in the first couplet of his 1954 key (pp. 8-10) to distinguish Strobliomyia (=Peribaea), Ceranthia, Siphona s.s. and Siphona (Asiphona) (=S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)) from other siphonines. this state is now considered synapotypic of that group of taxa.

Mesnil (op. cit.) also recognized the generic value of Malloch’s (1930b: 120) discovery that a group of species possesses a long, downwardly directed, lower proepimeral seta. Mesnil used this feature to differentiate Strobliomyia from other species.
genera in which the anal vein is extended to the wing margin, and to separate what are now considered neaerine genera from other siphonines.

Mesnil (op. cit.) further distinguished between two groups of genera based on basal setulation of wing vein \( R_{4+5} \). In one group \( R_{4+5} \) was setulose from base to crossvein \( r-m \) or beyond, in the other only a single setula was present basally. Within the former group Mesnil keyed out *Goniocera* and established the modern concepts of *Actia* (as *Entomophaga*, as explained in O'Hara 1985) (based on the presence of a row of hairs on the katepistemum), and *Ceromya* (based on absence of this row of hairs). Mesnil's latter group was later transferred to the Neaerini by Herting (1957), based on study of female genitalia in the Calyptratae.

Mesnil synthesized the contribution of Herting (1957) into his revision of Palearctic tachinids in "Die Fliegen der palaearktischen Region" (1962-5). In that work Mesnil firmly established the modern concept of the Siphonini (as Siphonina), recognizing presence of a row of setulae on \( R_{4+5} \) as one of the fundamental features of the tribe. His generic classification, little changed from his 1954 publication, has become the touchstone of modern siphonine systematics.

Characterization of the Siphonini *sensu* Mesnil suffered from one shortcoming, namely the lack of a single feature which could be considered synapotypic of the tribe. Such was the situation when this work began in 1981. By then Crosskey (1973, 1976a, 1980) had revised the siphonine fauna of all Old World non-Palearctic regions, but the siphonine fauna of the New World was essentially unrevised and the applicability of Mesnil's tribal concept to the Neotropical fauna, in particular, was untested. At the suggestion of D.M. Wood, Biosystematics Research Centre, Ottawa, I investigated the possibility of two spermathecae in the female reproductive system being synapotypic of the Siphonini. All dissections of females during this study suggests that this state is synapotypic, and the same conclusion was reached independently by Andersen (1983). This fundamental feature of adult female siphonines is used here to define the world Siphonini and supplement former external characterization of the tribe based on Old World members.

**Structural features of the Siphonini**

The two major revisions of the Siphonini are those of Mesnil (1962-5) and Andersen (1983). Both are primarily based on the Palearctic fauna, and hence do not provide detailed information about the distribution of character states throughout the tribe. Such information is desirable not only to provide a sound phylogenetic basis for supraspecific concepts and descriptions (and an accurate key), but also as an aid to future revisers of siphonine taxa. Here follows an explanation of the characters used in the descriptions of the supraspecific taxa of the Siphonini, with designation of the states as they appear in Table 1. Table 1 is primarily intended as a quick reference to the distribution of character states within the Siphonini, both to summarize similarities and differences among supraspecific taxa and to augment the phylogenetic analyses of these taxa in the Evolution chapter.
Character 1. Length.— Adult siphonines are relatively small tachinids, ranging in total length from 2.0-6.5mm (as measured in profile from apex of flagellomere 1 in resting position to apex of abdominal tergum 5), with most species averaging between 3.0-5.0mm. Like most tachinids, adult siphonines vary intraspecifically in size, probably because of nutritional constraints placed upon them during their parasitic larval stage. It is thus not unusual to observe a considerable size range among conspecifics. This notwithstanding, the size of most individuals is closely grouped about the mean of that species, such that each species has a characteristic size. Ranges in total length given in Table 1 represent the size range observed among examined specimens of each taxon, and are rounded to the nearest 0.5mm.

Character 2. Proclinate orbital setae.— Two proclinate orbital setae are present on each side of the vertex of both male and female siphonines. Two states are recognized: one in which the anterior seta is longer than the posterior one (A), the other in which both setae are subequal in length (S). This character is not always useful taxonomically since some species possess both states and in others males and females differ (with the anterior seta larger in the female than in male in these species). There is also no evident trend toward one state or the other among the major siphonine lineages. In addition to the two states recognized here there is also marked variation, though difficult to quantify, in length and thickness of the proclinate orbital setae (particularly the anterior one) among siphonine lineages.

Character 3. Frontal setae.— Siphonines have a row of reclinate frontal setae which extend from about pedicel height to the anterior reclinate orbital seta. The frontal setae alternate short and long in all species except Proceromyia pubioculata, in which they are all long and unusually thin (Fig. 3). Also unique to P. pubioculata are 8-12 frontal setae, as other siphonines have no more than five (rarely six in atypical specimens). In many siphonines the fifth (uppermost) frontal is very short, and in a few lost altogether (often intraspecifically varied); a few species among different lineages characteristically possess only three frontal setae, though a series of specimens is needed to determine the stability of this state. The number of frontal setae in each taxon is listed in Table 1, and an asterisk beside a five is used to indicate that three or four frontals occur in some species (either characteristically or as an aberration).

Character 4. Eye vestiture.— Siphonines, as a rule, have bare (B) eyes (i.e. only a very few short and widely spaced hairs visible). The exception is Proceromyia pubioculata, which has a densely haired eye (D).

Character 5. Male eye height.— Eye size is markedly varied among siphonines, and as such is one of the most useful external characters for species recognition. Variation among species renders this character of little value at the generic level. In some lineages males and females of a species are apparently very similar in eye size, in other lineages the male or female may have the larger eye; this distinction was difficult to document with accuracy because of interspecific variation and because both male and female specimens of a species were not always available for

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comparison. Therefore, I have made generalizations in the generic descriptions based on specimens available. Male eye size was selected as the standard for comparison among genera because males generally vary more in eye size interspecifically and possess the better characters for species identification (i.e. features of the male genitalia).

Overall eye size is difficult to measure, so eye height is used here for comparisons. Eye height is taken as the maximum vertical distance from top of eye to bottom, relative to vertical head height (excluding ocellar triangle; as in O'Hara 1983a). Some authors (e.g. Andersen 1982) measure eye height on a diagonal axis, resulting in slightly greater values than given here. Ranges in eye height are recorded in Table 1 and in descriptions; qualitative differences as well are given in the latter as an aid for comparisons, according to this arbitrary guide: small, eye up to 0.65 head height; medium-small, 0.66-0.69; medium, 0.70-0.76; medium-large, 0.77-0.84; and large, 0.85 and greater.

Character 6. Male flagellomere 1 length.— Characteristics of flagellomere 1 (termed third antennal segment by some authors), like eye size, are among the best external features by which to recognize species. One aspect that is easily quantified is that of flagellomere 1 length, as measured in profile from the suture on the pedicel to the most distant point apically, and expressed in relation to vertical head height (as in O'Hara 1983a). Male flagellomere 1 length has been used here for comparisons among genera because males of most species have the larger flagellomere 1 (i.e. longer and broader) and thus exhibit more interspecific variation in this character than females. As with eye height, a qualitative guide to flagellomere 1 length accompanies the numerical range given in descriptions, as an aid for comparisons among taxa. The following arbitrary length classes are used: short, less than 0.40 head height; medium-short, 0.41-0.48; medium, 0.49-0.60; medium-large, 0.61-0.69; and large, 0.70 and greater.

Character 7. Special modifications of male flagellomere 1.— Though the majority of siphonines possess an average shaped (i.e. not lobed) flagellomere 1, males (and only males) of a few species have unusual modifications, the functional significance of which is unknown. Included in this category are: bilobed flagellomere 1 (B; e.g. figs. 3a, 4a and 5a in Shima 1970a); trilobed flagellomere 1 (T; e.g. fig. 2a in Shima 1970a); and pectinate flagellomere 1 (P; e.g. Fig. 11, and fig. 1a in Shima 1970a). Absence of such modifications is indicated by an A in Table 1. The bilobed condition of male flagellomere 1 is found in a very few other tachinids besides the Siphonini (e.g. some species of the neaerine genus Phytothyptera Rondani), and a similar type of pectinate flagellomere 1 is found in males of Borgmeiermyia Townsend (figs. 1-5 in Arnaud 1963).

Character 8. Shape of male flagellomere 1.— Considered here is the general shape of male flagellomere 1, excluding the extreme modifications discussed under character 7. It is difficult to characterize flagellomere 1 shape into classes because its shape varies from one form to another in a continuous, non-graded manner. The
following states are broadly defined to cover the range of observed variation in shape of male flagellomere 1, and the cited figures illustrate examples of each. The states are: L, linear (Fig. 14); A, average (Fig. 17); B, broad (Fig. 6); S, subquadrangular (Fig. 15); and T, large and triangular.

Character 9. Aristomere 1 length.— The majority of siphonines have a short aristomere 1 (S), with a length half or less that of its width. Aristomere 1 is slightly elongate (E) - subequal in length and width - in a few species of several taxa. Most useful taxonomically and phylogenetically is state L (Figs. 4-5, 15), in which length of aristomere 1 is much greater than width (usually 2-4X longer than wide).

Character 10. Aristomere 2 length.— Aristomere 2 is elongate in siphonines and at least 1.5X longer than wide, with most species having an aristomere 2 in the range of 2-4X longer than wide. Length of aristomere 2 varies markedly within genera, and to a lesser degree even within some species, so this character is of limited taxonomic value above the species level. As a generalization, species with a very large flagellomere 1 also have a long aristomere 2, so there is some correlation in size between these structures in some lineages. Similarly, a long aristomere 2 generally accompanies a bilobed, trilobed or pectinate flagellomere 1. In Table 1 the range in size (length divided by width) of aristomere 2 is given for each taxon.

Character 11. Aristomere 3 length.— Aristomere 3 is varied in overall length and also in the degree to which it is tapered along its length; with length, and thickness along length, generally correlated. For this reason I have taken a subjective approach to this character rather than a strictly numerical one, using states that are visually interpretable. However, the difference between one state and another in the following series is subtle and the cited figures should be referred to as a guide for their discrimination. The states are: V, very short and either evenly tapered to tip or thickened to near tip (Fig. 15); T, short and thickened to near tip (Fig. 8); S, rather short and usually evenly tapered to tip (Figs. 10, 16; a very subjective interpretation of an aristomere 3 intermediate in form between T and the next state); and L, long and evenly tapered to fine tip (most figures, e.g. Figs. 6, 12, 18). Clear differences in shape and length of aristomere 3 among some lineages are useful both taxonomically and phylogenetically, even though intermediate states are difficult to categorize.

Character 12. Arista vestiture.— Amount of pubescence on the arista is constant within a few lineages and greatly varied in most. Lack of apparent pubescence is referred to as almost bare (B; most figures, e.g. Figs. 14-16). Other states form a graded series from micropubescent (M; Figs. 7, 20), pubescent (P; Figs. 10, 17), short plumose (S; Fig. 13), to medium plumose (L, long).

Character 13. Clypeus.— The clypeus is visible as a small sclerotized structure above the maxillary palpi when the proboscis is at least slightly extended. It is varied in form from narrow and partially enclosed laterally in membrane (N), to slightly (S) or distinctly broadened (B), to U-shaped (U).
Character 14. Maxillary palpus.— Most siphonines have a rather short, apically clavate palpus (S; most figures, e.g. Figs. 13-15). Particularly in species with an elongate proboscis, the palpus is correspondingly longer (L; Figs. 9, 20) and also apically clavate (e.g. Siphona s.s.). In S. (Ceranthia) species and two species of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) the palpus is cylindrical (C; Fig. 16) along its length and varied in length from very short (reduced) to average.

Character 15. Prementum length.— Almost all species with padlike labella have a short (S; e.g. Figs. 1-2, 5-6) to medium length (M; e.g. Figs. 14, 18) prementum (prem). Species with elongate labella almost always have an elongate prementum (E; Figs. 9, 20) as well. I have not classed these states into discrete sizes, but as an approximate guide short is less than half head height, elongate approximates or exceeds head height, and medium is intermediate.

Character 16. Labella.— Of considerable taxonomic and phylogenetic importance is the length of the labella (Ibl). The groundplan condition is padlike labella (P; e.g. Figs. 1-8), and this state is widely distributed throughout the Siphonini. A state common to many lineages but independently derived within most of them is slightly lengthened labella (S), which are slightly longer than wide. Less common are the following states: M (Figs. 13, 17), labella moderately lengthened and subequal to or slightly longer than half prementum length (characteristic of most S. (Pseudostiphona) species); E (Fig. 18), labella elongate and slightly shorter to slightly longer than three-quarters prementum length (typical of most S. (Siphonopsis) species); and L (Figs. 9, 20), labella as long as or longer than prementum (all Siphona s.s. species and a few species in other lineages).

Character 17. Prosternum.— The presternum of most siphonine species is setulose (S), generally with a single pair of setulae but in a few species with several pair. A bare prosternum (B) is characteristic of a few species, though more commonly a bare specimen belongs to a species in which the prosternum is typically setulose.

Character 18. Lower proepimeral seta.— All siphonines have a strong, upturned seta (u prepm s) on the lower portion of the proepimeron. In addition, a strong lower seta (l prepm s) is present and directed downward in Peribaea (state P; Fig. 27). In other taxa the lower proepimeral seta (prostigmatic seta of some authors) is hair-like or absent (A; Fig. 28).

Character 19. Anepisternum.— The upper region of the anepisternum has a patch of hairs and one to three larger setulae (anept s), as recorded in Table 1 (one large setula shown in Fig. 32, two in Fig. 31). In most species the number of setulae is apparently constant, in others varied; as well, in certain genera there is a characteristic number of setulae while in others the number is varied.

Character 20. Katepisternum anterior to mid coxa.— The katepisternum is considered bare (B) anterior to the mid coxa if several hairs are present along (and restricted to) the lower portion adjacent to the ventral midline (Fig. 34). In most Actia species and Entomophaga exoleta a row of hairs (kepst h) extend upward
anterior to the mid coxa from the ventral midline almost to the lower katepisternal seta (S; Fig. 33).

Character 21. Lower katepisternal seta.— Three setae are in a triangular arrangement on the upper portion of the katepisternum. The lower seta (l kepst s) is varied in length, and compared with the upper anterior seta is shorter (S; Fig. 31), approximately equal in length (E), or distinctly longer (L; Fig. 32 [seta appearing equal in length to upper anterior seta due to perspective]).

Character 22. Postsutural dorsocentral setae.— Three or four postsutural dorsocentral setae are present, as indicated in Table 1. As a generalization, the setae are longer and thicker (i.e. stronger) in species with three postsutural dorsocentrals than in those with four. Though the states of this character are constant within some species and lineages, they vary within a few species (e.g. several species of Siphona s.s.).

Character 23. Preapical anterodorsal seta on fore tibia.— This seta is varied from apparently absent to long. As compared with the preapical dorsal (d) seta on the fore tibia, it is either shorter (S) or approximately equal in length or longer (E).

Character 24. Anterodorsal seta on mid tibia.— Most siphonines possess one strong anterodorsal seta (ad s) on the lower half of the mid tibia (Fig. 37). This seta is lacking from S. (Baeomyia) species (Fig. 38) and several species of Actia, and a row of ad setae is present in Goniocera. Number of ad setae present on the mid tibia is shown in Table 1.

Character 25. Tarsomere 5 modification.— An average (A) tarsus is common to the groundplan of the Siphonini. One to several species in separate lineages possess a modification in tarsomere 5 of females (not known in males). Tarsomere 5 is enlarged in these species - broader and longer than in other siphonines (e.g. fig. 22 in Richter 1980 [female mislabelled as male]) and in most species with a dense patch of sensory hairs ventrally. This specialization is restricted to the fore leg in most species (F), but is present on all legs in a very few (L).

Character 26. Tarsal claw length.— Claws and pulvilli are short in most siphonines (S; e.g. figs. 4 and 6 in O’Hara 1983a). In a few species the claws are large (L; e.g. fig. 5, op. cit.), and generally larger in males than females. M designates a medium or intermediate-sized tarsal claw.

Character 27. Wing vein R1 dorsally.— Setulation of vein R1 dorsally can be discretely divided into three states: B, bare (Fig. 22); D, setulose distally; and E, setulose along its entire length (Fig. 21). Species do not vary between states D and E, though many species vary between B and possessing one to several setulae distally near the costal margin.

Character 28. Wing vein R1 ventrally.— Vein R1 ventrally is either bare (B) or distally setulose (D). As with character 27, some species vary between state B and possessing one to several setulae distally near the costal margin.

Character 29. Wing vein R4+5 dorsally.— Setulation of vein R4+5 is the most useful wing character taxonomically other than character 33. It is setulose (with four

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to many setulae) in all siphonines and is one of the diagnostic features of the tribe. Two states are recognized, and only a very few species vary between one state and the other: P (proximal), $R_{4+5}$ setulose between base (bifurcation of $R_{2+3}$ and $R_{4+5}$) and crossvein r-m (Fig. 22); and E, $R_{4+5}$ setulose from base to beyond crossvein r-m (Fig. 21).

**Character 30. Wing vein CuA$_1$ dorsally.**— Most siphonines have either a bare (B; Fig. 21) or partially setulose vein CuA$_1$. This vein is either setulose from crossvein bm-cu outward (S; Fig. 22), or in a very few species is additionally setulose proximal to bm-cu (P). State P is constant in those species with that state, but a few species vary between state B and possessing several setulae on CuA$_1$ (a row of setulae on CuA$_1$ is a good species-constant state).

**Character 31. Setulation of other wing veins.**— Setulation described in characters 27-30 are average for the Siphonini (A). Setulation on normally bare veins is noted here for several species: B, Ceromyca Brazil sp. 5, with veins Sc and $R_{2+3}$ setulose ventrally; C, Actia ciligera, with veins $R_{2+3}$, $R_{4+5}$ and M setulose dorsally and ventrally; F, Actia fallax, with vein M setulose ventrally; M, Peribaea modesta, with vein $R_{2+3}$ setulose dorsally and ventrally; and S, some specimens of the S. (Actinocrocuta) singularis complex, with vein Sc setulose ventrally.

**Character 32. Loss of vein M distally.**— Vein M is complete (C; i.e. extended to wing margin) in the majority of siphonines; in some species of Actia (involving several species groups) it fades out before its characteristic bend towards the wing tip in the apical one-fourth of wing (N). In a few Actia species the bend of M is faint but still visible.

**Character 33. Anal vein.**— This is one of the most significant characters in the Siphonini. The anal vein either fades out before the wing margin (N; Fig. 21) or is extended to the wing margin at least as a fold (E; Fig. 22). The latter state is rare in other tachinids, and of great diagnostic and phylogenetic importance in the Siphonini.

**Character 34. Position of crossvein dm-cu.**— The position of crossvein dm-cu is varied from near wing margin (Fig. 21) to relatively far removed from it (Fig. 22). A measure of dm-cu position was obtained by dividing the distal length of CuA$_1$ (distance from dm-cu to wing margin) by proximal length of CuA$_1$ (distance from crossvein bm-cu to dm-cu). The range in values for each taxon is given in Table 1 along with the number of species examined (generally one specimen measured per species), the mean, and standard deviation (SD). This character is discussed in detail in O’Hara (in press “b”).

**Character 35. Median marginal setae on abdominal terga 1+2.**— Median marginal setae are considered absent (A) from abdominal terga 1+2 ($T_{1+2}$) if they cannot be distinguished from adjacent setulae. If they are slightly longer and thicker than adjacent setulae then they are considered weak (W), and if subequal in size to the median and lateral marginals on $T_3$ they are strong (S) (states A and S are illustrated in figs. 7-8, O’Hara 1983a). Some species with state S are constant for
this state, while in other species all states are present among different individuals or some specimens have a strong median marginal on one side and lack one on the other.

**Character 36. Lateral marginal setae on abdominal terga 1+2.**—States A (absent), W (weak) and S (strong) are the same as described for character 35 (see figs. 7-8 in O’Hara 1983a for states W and S). This character varies intraspecifically as in character 35, though generally such variation is between states A and W; most species with strong lateral marginal setae (S) rarely vary from this state.

**Character 37. Setation on abdominal terga 3 to 5.**—The average condition (A) is one in which tergum 3 \((T_3)\) has a pair of strong median and lateral marginal setae and tergum 4 \((T_4)\) and tergum 5 \((T_5)\) each have an evenly spaced row of six marginal setae (figs. 7-8 in O’Hara 1983a). Additionally, in some species \(T_3-T_5\) have weak to strong lateral discal setae \((D)\) and/or an extra pair of lateral marginal setae \((L)\).

**Character 38. Posterior processes of male abdominal sternum 5.**—Male sternum 5 \((S_5)\) consists of an anterior (basal) plate \((bs\ p)\) and two posterior processes. The processes are separated from one another by a median cleft \((med\ c)\) and bordered anteromedially by a broad desclerotized area \((descl\ a)\) of varied size (Fig. 47). Shape of the processes is greatly varied, but two general areas are recognized on each process: the apical lobe \((ap\ I)\) and median lobe \((med\ I)\) (Fig. 47). In most Actia species the median lobes are undifferentiated and the apical lobes are long and broadly continuous with the processes, resulting in a more or less V-shaped \(S_5\) (A, Actia-type; Figs. 58-59). In a few other siphonines \(S_5\) resembles the A state of Actia except the median lobes are distinctly differentiated and partially enclose the median cleft (V; Figs. 61, 64). In most siphonines the apical lobe is more narrowed preapically, and in combination with a distinctly differentiated median lobe produces a sharply or broadly defined U-shaped posterior margin (U; e.g. Figs. 47, 50, 65-70) or one in which the angle between apical and median lobes is obtusely angled \((O;\ i.e.\ an\ intermediate\ state\ between\ V-shaped\ and\ U-shaped,\ e.g.\ Figs. 48-49, 60)\). A few siphonines have an undifferentiated apical lobe and rounded median lobe, producing a more or less transverse sternal margin posteriorly (T; Figs. 51-52, 57).

**Character 39. Apical lobe of male abdominal sternum 5.**—Within lineages possessing a preapically narrowed apical lobe and U-shaped \(S_5\) posteriorly (see character 38), there is a trend toward curving inward (i.e. medially) of the apex of the apical lobe. State A designates the average condition in which the apical lobe is directed posteriorly (e.g. Figs. 47, 50, 66-68); C, an apical lobe distinctly curved inward (Figs. 56, 62-63, 65, 69); and S, an intermediate state in which apical lobe is slightly curved inward (Figs. 53-54).

**Character 40. Median lobe of male abdominal sternum 5.**—This feature of considerable variation is here defined as the region bordering the median cleft posteriorly, and continuous with the posterior process laterally. It is undifferentiated \((U)\) in those species of Actia in which the sternal margin posteriorly is V-shaped and
median cleft not bordered by lobes (Fig. 58). In the simplest developed form the median lobe is rounded along its median margin (R) and partially encloses the median cleft (e.g. Figs. 55, 64, 67). In more developed forms the median lobe is truncate (T; e.g. Figs. 63, 66) along its medial or posteromedial margin or very broad and longitudinally elongate (E; e.g. Figs. 53, 69). In Goniocera species and a few other species the median lobe forms a broad, truncated plate flattened in a more or less posteromedial plane (F; Figs. 47, 54). State F is a highly derived form of median lobe, and between it and state T are a range of intermediates here classed as state I, characterized by a truncate margin and rather flattened surface posteromedially (Fig. 68). Some species, particularly within Siphona s.l., have an accessory lobe on the median lobe posteriorly (A; Fig. 70).

**Character 41. Setulation of male abdominal sternum 5.**— Sternum 5 is bare on the basal plate, anterior to the desclerotized area. The posterior processes are sparsely (S), moderately (M), or densely (D) setulose. The processes may also have one pair of setae distinctly larger than the surrounding setulae, but presence or absence of these setae has been interpreted as too intraspecifically varied to be usefully characterized here.

**Character 42. Size of male abdominal tergum 6.**— Male tergum 6 (T₆) is separated from the epandrium by a narrow strip of membrane. In a few siphonines T₆ is unsclerotized (A, apparently absent), while in most it is varied from tiny to small lateral sclerites (S), to larger lateral sclerites (L), to a narrow to broad dorsally continuous sclerite (D).

**Character 43. Width of ejaculatory apodeme.**— The ejaculatory apodeme in the male genitalia has a bulbous base and a fan-shaped apical portion of varied size. Width of the fan-shaped portion is expressed herein as a function of the preapical width of the hypandrial apodeme (as measured dorsally). The relative width of the fan-shaped portion is given either as a measured range or expressed in relative terms in Table 1 and descriptions. The following states of the latter are recognized: N, ejaculatory apodeme slightly narrower than hypandrial apodeme; S, apodemes subequal in width; and W, ejaculatory apodeme slightly wider than hypandrial apodeme.

**Character 44. Shape of pregonite.**— Pregonites are structures to either side of the aedeagus, articulated at their bases with the hypandrium. A thin membrane extends anteriorly from the apex of each pregonite to the ventral surface of hypandrium. Pregonite shape is varied in many and subtle ways and cannot be classified into states without grouping similar forms in a subjective manner. I have tried to select and describe states I perceive as most meaningful in a taxonomic and phylogenetic sense, though it must be noted that even a continuous transformation series cannot be hypothesized since most states could easily have been derived from one of several others. The following states are recognized, and are arranged alphabetically because of the complexity of this character: A, average, smoothly curved along posterior margin or bent rather sharply at midlength, and pointed or
rounded apically (Figs. 73-76, 89-94, 96-106); C, C-shaped (open side facing anteriorly) and broad at midlength (Figs. 87-88); F, fused basally with hypandrial apodeme (only observed in \textit{S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) nigronitens}); J, broad subapically and more or less J-shaped (Figs. 85-86); L, linear and only slightly curved apically (Fig. 72); M, anterior membranous portion enlarged, apex of pregonite generally not curved anteriorly (Figs. 77, 79-81); O, ring-shaped (Fig. 78), though part of ring incomplete in a few species; P, elongate and curved posteriorly (unique to \textit{Ceromya lutea}, Fig. 83); S, thin and sickle-like, with basal arm slightly extended anteriorly (Fig. 84); T, basally broad and apically truncate (Fig. 71); and W, broadened or wide along most of length, with short pointed apex (Fig. 95).

\textbf{Character 45. Pregonite modifications.}— The pregonite has a smooth outer surface in the groundplan condition. Spines (sp) or spinules (spin) adorn the pregonite in a number of genera, and the size, pattern and location of these are classed into discrete, non-continuous states. However, not all of the following states can be seen with a dissecting microscope (at 50X), so it is necessary to examine the pregonite at a power of 100X or more with a compound microscope to discern with certainty whether small spinules are present or absent (A; \textit{e.g.} Figs. 72, 76, 84, 87-88, 90-94). The spinose states are: L, longitudinal ridge on anterolateral surface with spines in single row along edge (Figs. 73-75, 103-105); M, anterior membranous portion (memb p) of pregonite expanded, usually with field of spinules on lower portion (Figs. 39-40, 71, 83, 79-81; these spinules are too small to be seen with most dissecting microscopes in specimens of most species); E, similar to state M, but in addition has laterally directed spines on anterolateral portion of sclerotized area (Fig. 82); R, ring-shaped pregonite (state O in character 44) with spinules anteriorly (Fig. 78); S, sclerotized portion (scl p) of pregonite with field of spines distally, with largest spines along apical margin (Figs. 41-42, 85-86); and T, sclerotized portion of pregonite with field of tiny spinules distally (Figs. 89, 95, 100; as with state M, these spinules are very small in specimens of some species, and not readily discernible with most dissecting microscopes).

\textbf{Character 46. Posterior seta on pregonite.}— Some members of \textit{Siphona s.l.} possess a tiny to long seta at about midlength on the posterior surface of the pregonite. Different setal size classes are recognized because certain lineages possess a seta with a characteristic length. However, setal length is varied among some species, and varied between absent and small to medium in a few. Given the varied nature of this character, the following imprecisely specified states are recognized: A, absent (\textit{e.g.} Figs. 71-82); T, very tiny seta (Figs. 89, 93, 97-98, 103-104, 106; not readily discernible without aid of a compound microscope); M, short to medium-sized seta (Figs. 90-92); L, long, thick seta (Fig. 94; as characteristically present in species of \textit{S. (Ceranthia)}); and F, two to a few tiny to short setae (Fig. 95).

\textbf{Character 47. Epiphallus.}— An epiphallus is a subbasal, posterior outgrowth of the aedeagus. A small epiphallus is best seen in dorsal or ventral view, where

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unobstructed by epandrium or postgonite. The following states are recognized: A, absent; S, small (short); N, relatively large but narrow; and P (present), relatively large and average width.

**Character 48. Posterior margin of distiphallus.**— The distiphallus is a cylindrical structure of varied size, shape and sclerotization. Several characteristics of the distiphallus appear to be more or less independent of one another, and three are considered here as characters 48 to 50. Character 48 describes the relative amount of sclerotization along the posterior margin of the distiphallus. The posterior margin is either entirely sclerotized to near apical margin of distiphallus (E; pos marg in Fig. 116), or is incised or desclerotized to varied degrees (I). The latter state can be recognized in lateral view in most species of *Siphona s.l.* by the presence of a pointed, sclerotized projection on the distiphallus posteriorly, below the narrowed attachment of basiphallus and distiphallus (e.g. scl proj in Figs. 125, 127).

**Character 49. Posterolateral margin of distiphallus.**— The lateral surfaces of the distiphallus, as viewed in profile, provide among the best features for species separation and recognition within the Siphonini. Shape of the distiphallus is too varied to be fully categorized at the generic level, but two aspects have been selected for description as characters 49 and 50. Character 49 refers to the posterolateral margin (apically) of the distiphallus. In some siphonines it is reduced (r lat marg in Fig. 108) or not differentiated (i.e. not incised; undif pslat marg in Fig. 124) from the rest of the distiphallus (A; e.g. Figs. 108-111, 115-124). In other siphonines the posterolateral margin of the distiphallus is incised from the rest of the lateral margin and slightly to markedly elongate, mostly independently among different lineages. This is a difficult character to classify into states, though the following series gives a rough indication of the diversity of this character among the recognized siphonine lineages: S, posterolateral margin separated from lateral margin by narrow incision and not extended beyond apex of lateral margin (present in *Goniocera io*, but not visible in Fig. 107 because posterolateral margins are curved inward); M, moderate apical extension of posterolateral margin beyond rest of lateral margin (m pslat marg in Fig. 125) and usually pointed or spined (either continuous with lateral margin or incised from it; Figs. 125, 131, 134); and E, as in state M but apically extended well beyond apex of rest of distiphallus (l pslat marg in Figs. 112 and 127) (Figs. 112, 114, 127, 133, 136).

**Character 50. Spines on lateral margin of distiphallus.**— The lateral and anterolateral surfaces of the distiphallus are adorned with small spinules, especially conspicuous anteriorly and apically. In some siphonines no larger spines are present (A; Figs. 107, 115-118, 132-135), in others the lateral margins are armed with conspicuously larger, usually recurved, spines along anterior and/or apical margin (P; Figs. 108-111, 114, 121, 124, 128). The degree to which these spines are differentiated is very useful taxonomically, particularly at the species level, but is too varied to be categorized here.
Character 51. Postgonite size.— Paired postgonites extend posteriorly from either side of the aedeagus basally. They are large (W, well developed) and conspicuous in most siphonines. Postgonites are short (S) in some siphonines (about as long as width of basiphallus subbasally), or reduced (R) to scarcely discernible lobes at base of basiphallus.

Character 52. Surstylus basally.— Each surstylus articulates basally with the epandrium and cerci. In most siphonines it is attached membranously (M; Figs. 139-144), in a few there is a narrow sclerotized connection between the epandrium posteriorly and surstylus basally (F, epandrium and surstylus fused; Figs. 137-138).

Character 53. Shape of surstylus.— The average condition (A) of the surstylus, as viewed in profile, is one in which it is narrowed at about midlength and either straight or slightly curved posteriorly near apex (Fig. 141). The following states are qualitative departures from the average condition (see cited figures for examples): S, short (Fig. 142); B, distinctly broader than average (Fig. 138); C, markedly curved posteriorly (Fig. 139); and L, elongate (Fig. 137).

Character 54. Shape of male cerci.— The cerci of siphonines are fused medially and tapered to a single slender apex. Their shape is described in lateral view, with average (A) being slender on lower half, smoothly curved at midlength and curved anteriorly near apex (Fig. 141). The following shapes are recognized, relative to the average shape: S, short (Fig. 138); B, broadened; E, elongate (Fig. 140); L, linear or straight along posterior margin in profile; R, same as state L but short (Fig. 139); and I, sharply inflexed at midlength, short to long in length (Figs. 137-138, 140; state I may be accompanied by one of the former states).

Character 55. Female ovipositor length.— The ovipositor, or female genitalia, is primitively short and only slightly extensible. More extensible ovipositors have evolved independently within different lineages, perhaps as an adaptation for depositing larvae directly upon hosts (as suggested by Andersen 1983). Extensible ovipositors are telescopic and characterized by broad regions of intersegmental membrane, and often elongated sclerites as well. Degree of extensibility is classed as follows: S, short and only slightly extensible (Figs. 43-46, 146-148, 151-153); M, moderately extensible (Figs. 145, 149-150, 154); E, elongate (Fig. 155); and V, very elongate (Fig. 156).

Character 56. Shape of female sternum 6.— The most apparent modifications to the female genitalia, other than extensibility, involve shape of sternum 6 (S₆) and 7 (S₇). Modification of S₆ is not common among siphonines, and is apparently always accompanied by similar or more pronounced modification of S₇. In the average (A) condition S₆ is slightly rounded on its ventral surface (Figs. 43-46, 145-153). Several types of modification are recognized: W, weakly or slightly keeled (kl) posteromedially; S, sharply keeled posteromedially (Fig. 154); M, moderately elongate (Figs. 154, 156); and E, elongate (Fig. 155).

Character 57. Size of female tergum 6.— Female tergum 6 (T₆) is varied in size as follows: A, absent; S, very small lateral sclerites (Fig. 152); L, moderate-sized

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lateral sclerites (Figs. 145, 148, 151, 155-156); **M**, dorsomedian sclerite, not extended laterally; **D**, single sclerite extended dorsally and laterally (Figs. 153-154); and **N**, as in state **D** but narrowly discontinuous dorsally (Figs. 146-147).

**Character 58. Anterior apodeme on female sternum 7.**—Female sternum 7 (**S_7**) is without an anterior apodeme (**A**, absent) if its anterior margin is broadly rounded (Figs. 145, 149, 151-156). An apodeme is present if a sclerotized arm extends anteriorly from the anteromedian margin of **S_7**, and is classed as either short (**S**; Fig. 150) or long (**W**, well developed; Figs. 146-148, *ant apod* in Fig. 147).

**Character 59. Shape of female sternum 7.**—As mentioned under character 56, modifications to sterna 6 (**S_6**) and 7 (**S_7**) are the most conspicuous in female genitalia other than extensibility. The following states are similar to those given for character 56: **A**, average condition, **S_7** slightly rounded ventrally (Figs. 43, 45, 145-146, 148-153); **W**, weakly or slightly keeled (**kl**) posteromedially (Fig. 147); **S**, sharply keeled posteromedially (Figs. 44, 46); **E**, elongate (Figs. 155-156); and **L**, elongate and keeled posteromedially (Fig. 154).

**Character 60. Size of female tergum 7.**—Female tergum 7 (**T_7**) is varied in size as follows: **A**, absent; **S**, very small lateral sclerites (Figs. 151-152); **L**, moderate-sized lateral sclerites (Figs. 145-150, 153); and **F**, lateral sclerites fused with **S_1** (Figs. 154-156).

**Character 61. Location of spiracle of segment 7.**—The position of the spiracle of segment 7 is varied. In some siphonines it is located in segment 7, close to or in **T_7** or dorsal to margin of **S_7** (state **P**, posterior; Figs. 148, 153-156). In other siphonines the spiracle is located dorsolaterally in membrane between segments 6 and 7 (state **I**, intermediate; Figs. 145, 150-152) or anteriorly in segment 6 in or near **T_6** (state **A**, anterior; Figs. 146-147, 149).

**Character 62. Characteristics of female sternum 8.**—Female sternum 8 (**S_8**) is varied in several ways. In the average (**A**) condition it is a small sclerotized plate partially covered by **S_7**, and sparsely haired posteriorly (Figs. 43-46, 146, 148-153; average condition but bare in *Peribaeae* species). Other states are as follows: **L**, lacking or absent (Figs. 147, 154-156); **R**, reduced in size (Fig. 145); **W**, much wider than average; **B**, bare or almost so; and **S**, with thick setae posteriorly (setation not shown in figures).

**Character 63. Size of female tergum 10.**—Tergum 10 (**T_10**) is located dorsal to the cerci (**cer**). It is small and sparsely haired in most siphonines, and present as either a median sclerite (**M**) or as two slightly separated sclerites (**P**, paired; a few species possess both states). In a few siphonines **T_10** is unscleritized (**A**, absent) or reduced in size (**R**).

**Character 64. Labrum of first instar.**—The anterior end of the cephalopharyngeal skeleton of first instars of the Tachinidae is extended forward between the lateral sclerites, and is tentatively homologized with the labrum by Wood (1987: 1196) (often termed "mouth hook" by previous authors). As in other tachinids, the labrum of first instar siphonines varies from hook-like (**N**, narrow in
dorsal-ventral plane; Figs. 159, 161-162) to hatchet-like (B, broadened in dorsal-ventral plane; Figs. 158, 160, 163). In a few siphonines the labrum is intermediate between these states, and here termed slightly broadened (I). First instars of the Siphonini are described by O'Hara (in press “a”).

Character 65. Dorsal cornu of cephalopharyngeal skeleton of first instars.— In most larval siphonines and other larval tachinids there are two cornua posteriorly on the cephalopharyngeal skeleton, one dorsal (d corn) and one ventral (v corn) (P; Figs. 158-159, 161-163). The dorsal cornu is absent (A) from all nine Actia species examined for this character (Figs. 160). The possible presence of a dorsal cornu in Actia dubitata, illustrated in Farinets (1980), is indicated by a “?P!” in Table 1.

Character 66. Posteroventral margin of abdominal segment 6 of first instars.— First instars of the Siphonini are equipped with spinules or hooks externally. The greatest modification and variation in these structures are found on the last several abdominal segments, particularly the posteroventral margin of segments 6 and 7. Segment 6 is bare or has small spinules (B) posteroventrally (Figs. 157-161), or large spinules to hooks. If large spinules or hooks are present (Figs. 162-163), then their number is entered in Table 1.

Character 67. Posteroventral margin of abdominal segment 7 of first instars.— Segment 7 possesses ventrally a row or rows of spinules along its posterior margin, anterior to the anus. Two states are recognized: R, two or more even or uneven rows of spinules (Figs. 157-162); and S, a single dominant row of spinules (Fig. 163).
Table 1. Distribution of character states in the Siphonini. Refer to text for explanation of characters and states. (Superscripts indicate the number of species possessing a state, an asterisk denotes a state shared by most species in a taxon, an arrow signifies the presence of states intermediate to those on either side of arrow, and a diagonal slash (/) indicates that two states are present in the single examined species of that taxon.)

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Lettered states are coded as follows (also see text). Character 2: A, anterior seta longer than posterior one; S, anterior and posterior setae subequal in length.
Character 4: B, bare; D, densely haired.
Character 7: A, average; B, bilobed; T, trilobed; P, pectinate.
Character 8: L, linear; A, average; B, broad; S, subquadrangular; T, large and triangular.
Character 9: S, short; E, slightly elongate; L, longer than wide.
Character 11: V, very short; T, short and thickened to near tip; S rather short and usually evenly tapered to tip; L, long and evenly tapered to fine tip.
Character 12: B, almost bare; M, micropubescent; P, pubescent; S, short plumose; L, medium plumose.
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| S. (Actinocrocuta)            | N, S         | S            | S, M         | P+M         | S            | A            | 1            | B            | L            | 3            | S            | 1            |
| S. (Aphantorhapha)           | N, S         | S            | S, M         | P, S        | S            | A            | 1            | B            | E, L         | 3            | S            | 1            |
| S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)       | N+U          | S', L, C     | S'          | E           | P'          | L            | B', S        | 1', 2        | B            | E, L         | 3, 4         | S, E'        | 1, 2'        |
| S. (Baronymia)               | U            | S            | S            | P            | B, S         | A            | 1            | B            | S, E         | 3            | S            | 0            |
| S. (Ceramithia)              | N+U          | C            | S            | P            | S            | A            | 1', 2        | B            | L            | 3, 4         | S            | 1            |
| S. (Pseudosiphona)           | N, S         | S            | S, M*        | E           | S+L, M*      | S            | A            | 1, 2         | B            | E, L         | 3            | S            | 1            |
| S. (Siphona)                 | N            | L            | E            | L            | B, S*        | A            | 1', 2        | B            | E, L*        | 3, 4         | S            | 1            |
| S. (Siphonops)               | N            | S            | S, M         | E            | S            | A            | 1            | B            | L            | 3            | S            | 1            |
| S. (Uractta)                 | N, S         | S           | M            | P            | S            | A            | 1, 2         | B            | L            | 3, 4'        | S            | 1            |

Lettered states are coded as follows (also see text). Character 13: N, narrow and partially enclosed in membrane; S, slightly broadened; B, distinctly broadened; U, U-shaped. Character 14: S, short and clavate; L, long and clavate; C, cylindrical. Character 15: S, short; M, medium; E, elongate. Character 16: P, padlike; S, slightly lengthened; M, moderately lengthened; E, elongate; L, as long or longer than prementum. Character 17: S, setulose; B, bare. Character 18: A, absent or hair-like; P, strong and directed downward. Character 20: B, bare; S, row of hairs present. Character 21: S, lower seta shorter than upper anterior seta; E, lower and upper anterior setae subequal in length; L, lower seta longer than upper anterior seta. Character 23: S, shorter than preapical seta; E, subequal or longer than preapical seta.
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| S. (Actinocrocuta)        | A            | S            | D,E       | B        | E        | B,S      | A,S         | C            | E            |              |
| S. (Baeomyia)             | A            | S            | B,D       | B        | P        | B        | A            | C            | E            |              |
| S. (Siphonopsis)          | A            | S            | B,D       | B        | P        | B        | A            | C            | E            |              |
| S. (Urania)               | A            | S            | D         | B        | P,E      | B        | A            | C            | E            |              |
| Siphona s.l., sp. gr. 1   | A            | S,M          | B,D       | B        | P,E      | B        | A            | C            | E            |              |
| Siphona s.l., sp. gr. 2   | A            | S            | B,D       | D        | P,E      | B,S      | A            | C            | E            |              |
| Siphona s.l., sp. gr. 3   | A            | S            | B,D       | D        | P,E      | B,S      | A            | C            | E            |              |

Lettered states are coded as follows (also see text). Character 25: A, average; F, enlarged on fore leg; L, enlarged on all legs. Character 26: S, short; M, medium; L, large. Character 27: B, bare; D, setulose distally; E, setulose along length. Character 28: B, bare; D, setulose distally. Character 29: F, setulose between base and $r-m$; E, setulose from base to beyond $r-m$. Character 30: B, bare; S, setulose; P, additionally setulose proximal to $bm-cu$. Character 31: A, average; B, veins Sc and $R_1$, setulose ventrally; C, $R_2$, $R_3$, and $M$ setulose dorsally and ventrally; D, $M$ setulose ventrally; M, $R_1$, setulose dorsally and ventrally; S, Sc setulose ventrally. Character 32: C, veins complete; N, vein $M$ fades out apically. Character 33: N, fades out before wing margin; E, extended to wing margin.
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Lettered states are coded as follows (also see text). Character 57: A, absent; S, very small lateral sclerites; L, moderate-sized lateral sclerites; M, dorsomedian sclerite; D, single sclerite extended dorsally and laterally; N, as in D but narrowly discontinous dorsally. Character 58: A, absent; S, short; W, long. Character 59: A, average; W, slightly keeled posteromedially; S, sharply keeled posteromedially; E, elongate; L, elongate and keeled posteromedially. Character 60: A, absent; S, very small lateral sclerites; L, moderate-sized lateral sclerites; F, lateral sclerites fused with S. Character 61: P, posterior; I, intermediate; A, anterior. Character 62: A, average; L, lacking; R, reduced; W, wider than average; B, bare; S, thick setae posteriorly. Character 63: A, absent; R, reduced; M, median sclerite; P, paired sclerites. Character 64: W, thin; B, broadened; S, small lateral spinules. Character 65: A, present; B, small spinules. Character 66: A, two or more rows of spinules; R, single dominant row of spinules.
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Thryptoceratae Robineau-Desvoidy 1830: 82-102 (unavailable name).
Siphonae Rondani 1845: 31 (original description).
Siphonina Rondani 1856: 59 (Siphona; other siphonine genera in Tachinina).
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— [Muscidae], Schiner 1862: 517-522 (early classification; species of Austria).
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Diagnosis of adults of Siphonini Rondani

The most convincing synapotypy, and hence best diagnostic feature, of the Siphonini is the presence of only two (rather than three) spermathecae in the female reproductive system. This state seems to be universal among siphonines, and is known to be shared with only one other (unrelated) tachinid genus, *Phaenopsis* Townsend (Andersen 1983).

The following combination of character states separates adults of this tribe from other tachinids: Generally 3.0-5.0mm in length, but varied from 2.0-6.5mm. Head (Figs. 1-20) with little sexual dimorphism. Two proclinate orbital setae in both sexes. Eye bare or almost so and three to five frontal setae except in *Proceromyia*...
pubioculata (eye densely haired and 8-12 frontals; Fig. 3). Aristomere 2 longer than wide, elongate in most species. Proboscis varied from short to long, labella padlike to more than 2X head height.

Thoracic dorsum illustrated in O’Hara (1983a, fig. 2). Prosternum with one to several pair of setulae in most species, bare in a few (intraspecifically varied in a few species). Katepisternum with three setae arranged in triangle (Figs. 31-32), lower seta varied from hairlike to slightly longer than upper anterior seta. Row of katepisternal hairs anterior to mid coxa present (Fig. 33) or absent (Fig. 34). Three or four postsutural dorsocentral setae. Scutellum with strong basal, lateral and subapical setae, subapicals longest and convergent to crossed, apicals short in most species. One ad seta on mid tibia (Fig. 37) in most species, seta absent from a few species (Fig. 38) and row of setae present in Goniocera species. Wing relatively short and broad (Figs. 21-22), vein R1 partially incised at midpoint, vein R4+5 setulose dorsally from bifurcation of R2+3 and R4+5 to crossvein r-m or beyond, vein m smoothly curved in apical sector and ending in wing margin near wing tip (ending close to end of R4+5), anal vein extended to or not extended to wing margin.

Abdomen (O’Hara 1983a, figs. 7-8) ovoid to elongate, with T1+2 excavate on basal half. Median discal setae absent from T1+2 to T4. T3+2 with 0-1 pair of lateral marginal setae in most species, additional pair present in a few species, pair of median marginal setae present in a few species of Goniocera and Siphona (Siphona). T3 to T4 with strong pair each of lateral and median marginal setae, additional marginals present in a few species. T5 with row of marginal setae and in a few species with row of weak discal setae.

Male genitalia (O’Hara 1983a, fig. 9) with tergum 6 unsclerotized to moderately broad and sclerotized. Terga 7+8 well developed. Epandrium saddle-shaped. Pregonite (Figs. 39-42, 71-106) well developed, with membrane anteriorly between apex and basal articulation with hypandrium (possibly synapotypic of the Siphonini, as suggested by Tschorsnig 1985 and discussed in Evolution chapter). Ejaculatory apodeme well developed. Aedeagus with or without an epiphallus. Distiphallus (Figs. 107-136) narrowly connected to basiphallus, in most species approximately cylindrical in shape and well sclerotized laterally. Postgonite well developed to markedly reduced. Surstylus (Figs. 137-141) linear, relatively unmodified, and basally free or connected with epandrium by a narrow strap-like connection. Cerci (Figs. 142-144) medially incised basally, fused apically.

Female reproductive system with two spermathecae (synapotypic of the Siphonini). Female genitalia (Figs. 43-46, 145-156) unmodified to long and extensible (telescopic), without piercing ability. Tergum 6 absent to dorsally continuous. Tergum 7 absent to present as two moderate-sized lateral sclerites. Spiracle of segment 6 associated with ventrolateral margin of tergum 6, spiracle of segment 7 varied in position from segment 7 to segment 6. Tergum 8 represented by two lateral sclerites, sternum 8 relatively narrow in most species, absent from a few. Segment 9 without external sclerites (O’Hara 1983c: 380). Tergum 10 unsclerotized.
or represented by small median sclerite or two small sclerites. Sternum 10 and paired cerci unmodified.

**Review of major keys to genera and subgenera of the Siphonini**

Keys to genera and subgenera of the Siphonini are available for each of the biogeographic regions of the world except the Neotropics. Each key reflects a classification different from the one adopted here, so each also differs from the keys presented in this work: *i.e.* key to the genera of the Siphonini, keys to the species of *Proceromyia* and *Entomophaga*, and key to the subgenera of *Siphona s.l.* To avoid confusion between those keys and mine, the major differences are summarized here. Specific information about differences in the placement of species can be obtained by comparing the species lists accompanying most of the works cited below with the descriptions and species lists contained herein. Differences in phylogenetic interpretation are not discussed in this section, but rather in the Phylogenetics section of each supraspecific taxon described. Recent keys to species are cited in the Geographic Distribution section of each supraspecific taxon.

The keys considered here are those published in major works since Mesnil’s revision of the Palearctic Siphonini in “Die Fliegen der palaearktischen Region” (1962-1965). The most geographically comprehensive is Andersen’s (1983) generic revision of the Old World Siphonini. This work is broad in scope and contains important new findings about the Siphonini. Andersen’s key (pp. 13-14) is easy to use and his classification is similar to the one presented herein. His key differs from mine in the following respects: the two species of *Entomophaga* are split between *Actia* and *Ceromya*, *Proceromyia macronychia* is included in *Ceromya*, *Proceromyia pubioculata* (type species of *Nipponoceromyia*) was not examined and hence excluded, *Actia* species with atypical features key to *Ceromya* or *Asiphona*, taxa here considered subgenera of *Siphona s.l.* are considered genera, *Siphona* (*Aphantorhaphopsis*) is called *Asiphona*, a few species of *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* key to *Ceranthia*, and *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) S. (Siphona)* [his *Asiphona* and *Siphona*, respectively] not adequately differentiated. Most of these differences stem from the relatively few species examined by Andersen during his study. Most of the species which key differently have limited known ranges (mostly non-Palearctic) and/or are rarely collected, so despite the differences in our keys probably 90% of Old World siphonine species will key to the same taxon. Because my keys attempt to provide for accurate generic placement of all species examined (see Materials and Methods), they are necessarily longer and more complex than Andersen’s.

Other keys to Old World siphonine genera and subgenera are regional in coverage. The most comprehensive is Mesnil’s Palearctic revision cited above (1962-1965), in which all the then known species of Palearctic Siphonini are keyed and described. Mesnil’s revision restructured the concept of the Siphonini into its modern form and still provides the only means for identification of most species of Palearctic Siphonini. With respect to the Palearctic fauna, Mesnil’s keys to the
Siphonini (1962: 797) and subgenera of Ceromya (1963a: 829) differ from mine as follows: Peribaea called Strobliomyia, Siphona (Aphantorhaphopsis) called Siphona (Asiphona), Ceranthia accorded generic rank, Proceromyia as Ceromya (Proceromyia), Entomophaga exoleta in Actia, Ceromya monstrosicornis as type species of Ceromya (Stenoparia) and Entomophaga nigrohalterata as C. (Stenoparia) nigrohalterata. Nipponoceromyia (here synonymized with Proceromyia) was described after Mesnil’s revision. Atypical species of Actia and S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) are non-Palearctic in distribution.

The remaining Old World regions have received recent treatment by Crosskey. These include a conspectus of Australian Tachinidae (1973), conspectus of Oriental Tachinidae (1976), review of the Tachinidae of the Philippines (Dear and Crosskey 1982), catalogue of Afrotropical Tachinidae (1980, including Madagascar) and key to genera of Afrotropical Tachinidae (1984, excluding Madagascar). Excluded from these works is a treatment of the Tachinidae of the Australian region outside Australia. These works follow the same classification of the Siphonini, so their keys are here compared as one with the keys herein: atypical Actia species key to Ceromya, Siphona s.s. not then recorded from Australia, S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) generally not recognized so most of its species are placed in Ceromya and a few (those with elongate labella) in Siphona s.s., and ranking of subgenera of Siphona s.l. as genera. These differences in classification are mitigated by Crosskey’s comprehensive species lists for each region, without which the initial stages of almost any revision of a non-Palearctic tachinid group would be an arduous task.

Wood’s (1987) recent key to tachinid genera of the Nearctic region provides a valuable and much needed guide to the identification of Nearctic Tachinidae. Wood separates tachinid genera in the first couplet of his key according to presence or absence of setulae on the prosternum. Goniocera io (the only New World species of the genus) is varied for this character, though it keys as having a bare prosternum. Other siphonines key as having a setulose prosternum, though a few of these species are also intraspecifically varied for this character (especially species of Siphona (Baeomyia)). Wood’s Siphona and Baeomyia are equivalent to my Siphona (Siphona) and S. (Baeomyia), and his Ceranthia includes all Nearctic Siphona s.l. species exclusive of the last two subgenera.

**Key to adults of the genera of the Siphonini**

1. Lower proepimeral seta strong and directed downward (Fig. 27) (Old World) .............................................. Peribaea R.-D., p. 77

1’. Lower proepimeral seta absent or hair-like (Fig. 28) .................. 2

2. Anal vein not extended to wing margin (Fig. 21); lower katepisternal seta shorter than upper anterior one (Fig. 31) .......... 3

2’. Anal vein extended to wing margin at least as fold (Fig. 22); lower katepisternal seta subequal to or longer than upper

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3 (2) Mid tibia with row of three or more ad setae and setulae (four species; Europe and northeastern North America) .......................................................... Goniocera B. & B., p. 41

3' Mid tibia with one ad seta in most species (Fig. 37), seta reduced or absent in a very few (Fig. 38) .......................................................... 4

4 (3) Aristomere 1 distinctly longer than wide (Figs. 4-5) and fore tibia with preapical ad seta as long as or longer than d seta (two European species) ......................... Entomophaga Lioy, p. 47

4' Most species with aristomere 1 distinctly shorter than wide and fore tibia with preapical ad seta shorter than d seta, a few species with one (but not both) of above states ........................................... 5

5 (4') Katepisternum with row of hairs directly anterior to mid coxa, extended upward almost to lower katepisternal seta (Fig. 33) (cosmopolitan) most species of Actia R.-D., p. 67

5' Katepisternum almost bare directly anterior to mid coxa, except for several hairs in posteroverntral corner (Fig. 34) ........................................... 6

6 (5') Male sternum 5 with posterior margin approximately V-shaped (Figs. 58-59); pregonite with outer, sclerotized portion short spinose on apical half or less (Figs. 41-42, 85-86); upper part of anepisternum with two setulae (Fig. 31) (presently known only from Malaysia and eastern Australia) .......................................................... several species of Actia R.-D., p. 67

6' Male sternum 5 with posterior margin U-shaped, obtusely angled or almost transverse (Figs. 48-49, 52-57); pregonite bare or with tiny to distinct, uniformly-sized spinules (Figs. 39-40, 73-74, 77-84) (spinules, if present, restricted to membranous portion of pregonite except in several species with extensively sclerotized, ring-shaped pregonite, Fig. 78); upper part of anepisternum with one setula in most species (Fig. 32) ........................................... 7

7 (6') Dorsal surface of wing vein **R**4+5 setulose from base to beyond crossvein **r-m** (as in Fig. 21) (cosmopolitan) most species of Ceromya R.-D. sensu lato ........................................... 8

7' Dorsal surface of wing vein **R**4+5 setulose between base and crossvein **r-m** (as in Fig. 22) (Old World) ........................................... 9

8 (7) Distiphallus bearing unique, infolded and sclerotized structure formed from posterior surface (Fig. 112); pregonite bare (Fig. 84) (Old World) Ceromya silacea (Mg.) species group, p. 63

8' Distiphallus without infolded and sclerotized structure (Figs. 113-116); pregonite bare in a few species (Fig. 77), with tiny to distinct spinules in most species (Figs. 78-83) (spinules, if present, restricted to membranous portion of pregonite except
in several species with extensively sclerotized, ring-shaped pregonite (Fig. 78); (cosmopolitan)................................. Ceromya R.-D. sensu stricto, p. 52

9 (7') Fore tibia with preapical ad seta as long as or longer than d seta; male genitalia with distinctive sternum 5 (Figs. 48-49), pregonite (Figs. 73-74) and distiphallus (Figs. 108-109)................................. Proceromyia Mesnil, p. 44

9' Fore tibia with preapical ad seta shorter than d seta; male genitalia not as above in C. cephalotes and C. natalensis, not examined in C. monstrosicornis (these species discussed in Phylogenetics section of Ceromya s.s.).................................

.....three known species of Ceromya R.-D. sensu stricto, p. 52

10 (2') Katepisternum with row of hairs directly anterior to mid coxa, extended upward halfway to lower katepisternal seta (type specimen of A. completa from Malaysia) or almost to lower katepisternal seta (as in Fig. 33; A. fulvicauda from Malaysia and A. chrysocera from the Seychelles Islands).................................

.................................three known species of Actia R.-D., p. 67

10' Katepisternum almost bare anterior to mid coxa, except for several hairs in posteroventral corner (Fig. 34).................................

.........................Siphona Meigen sensu lato, p. 84

[Subgenera keyed in section on Siphona s.l.]

Notes about classification chapter

Notes about lists of included species.— The present classification of the Siphonini includes 386 named species (excluding nomina nuda and misspellings), of which 294 are recognized as taxonomically valid species. Each description of a supraspecific taxon of the Siphonini is followed by a list of included species. Names of species treated as valid are preceded by a letter indicating the region of occurrence of the species, and all named species are followed by full bibliographic and type information (sex, type locality and depository, and whether type examined). Synonyms are listed in chronological order according to date of description. The following letters are used to denote region(s) of occurrence of each species:

A Afrotropical, sensu Crosskey and White (1977).
N Nearctic, sensu Griffiths (1980).
O Oriental, sensu Crosskey (1976a).
P Palearctic, as delimited by the Afrotropical and Oriental regions.
S Neotropical, sensu Griffiths (1980).
U Australian.

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Lists of included species were originally compiled from regional catalogues by Sabrosky and Arnaud (1965), Guimarães (1971), Crosskey (1973, 1976a, 1980) and Herting (1984). This information was then checked and where necessary augmented, many of the types personally examined, and the species and genera reclassified into the present scheme. Changes to previous classifications are listed in the next section and are indicated in the lists in bold face. In general, I avoided decisions about species synonymies and followed current placements. This is particularly true of the older Palearctic names that have been authoritatively re-evaluated in the works of Herting (1969-1984). For each listed synonym I have included a recent reference to its synonymic status rather than attempt to determine the author who first proposed the synonymy. In a few instances I have recognized new synonymies or have changed the status of subspecies. Each change of this sort is discussed in the taxonomic portion of this revision under the appropriate genus. Not discussed are new combinations, unless the species involved possesses a combination of character states unusual or atypical of the genus into which it is placed.

Type designations of Coquillett and Townsend.— The type concept became increasingly popular among taxonomists in the late 1800's and early 1900's, and it was not unusual for workers of that period to adopt the concept at some point in their careers. Coquillett and Townsend were two such workers, and it is the status of the type series of their earlier species that is of concern here.

It is evident that Coquillett, by the time of his 1897 "Revision of the Tachinidae", was not only choosing type specimens for new species but for his previously described species as well. He assigned type numbers to each of his USNM types, though only published numbers for species he described as new in the "Revision" (Sabrosky, pers. comm.). For previously described species Coquillett generally appended his redescription with the statement "From the type specimen". For the purposes of nomenclatural stability, and because Coquillett’s intent is clear, I accept his reference to a type specimen in the redescription of a species described from syntypes as a valid lectotype designation. (This was also the interpretation of Sabrosky and Arnaud 1963.) Similarly, I accept Coquillett’s citation of a type number in the description of a new species as sufficient for a holotype designation, provided specimens were labelled appropriately. Under the first situation two siphonines are involved, S. (Siphonopsis) plusiae and Ceromya palloris, and under the second S. (Ceranthia) flavipes and S. (Pseudosiphona) brevirostris. In the text that follows I accept Coquillett’s lectotype designations of S. plusiae and C. palloris and his holotype designation of S. flavipes. I have had to designate a lectotype for S. brevirostris because Coquillett’s original holotype designation refers to a pin bearing two specimens, neither of which was specifically chosen as the type.

There is only one siphonine described by Townsend, Actinocrocuta chaetosa, for which a holotype was not designated in the original description. However, in his 1940 redescription of the genus (which is herein considered a subgenus of Siphona), Townsend cites the "Ht male" of A. chaetosa, clearly indicating his choice of the
only male of the type series as the type. I accept this citation as a lectotype designation.

Genus *Goniocera* Brauer and Bergenstamm

Figs. 1, 47, 71-72, 107, 137, 145, 158


**Recognition**

This genus of four described species belongs to the group of siphonine genera in which the anal vein does not extend to the wing margin (*i.e.* all genera except *Peribaea* and *Siphona* s.l.), and is distinguished from other members of this group by the presence of several *ad* setae on the mid tibia. Other siphonines have one *ad* seta (Fig. 37) or none (Fig. 38), with the known exception of two undescribed African species of *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* which have two setae - these two species have the anal vein extended to the wing margin and other *Siphona* s.l. characteristics. The distinctive shape of the distiphallus is probably autapotypic of *Goniocera* (Fig. 107; refer to Description and Phylogenetics sections).

Three of the four *Goniocera* species have a densely setulose parafacial (Fig. 1). The other species, *G. versicolor*, has the lower parafacial bare (*i.e.* the region of the parafacial adjacent to the lower margin of the eye) as in most other siphonines (several siphonines have hairs on lower parafacial, but fewer hairs than in the three *Goniocera* species). Other features shared by species of *Goniocera*, though only collectively unique to the genus, include (cf. Table 1): wing vein *R*$_{4+5}$ setulose from base to beyond crossvein *r-m* and other veins bare, prominent and flattened median lobe on male sternum 5 (Fig. 47; similar appearance in a few *Ceromya* species), surstylus long and basally fused with epandrium (Fig. 137), and reduced female sternum 8 (Fig. 145). The male and female genitalia of *G. montium* and the female genitalia of *G. versicolor* were not examined, so it is unknown if these species share the genital features of the other species.

**Description**

Length: 4.0-6.0 mm.

*Head* (Fig. 1).—Five frontal setae, normal arrangement. Proclinate orbital setae subequal in size in most species. Lower parafacial bare in *G. versicolor*, densely setulose in other species. Eye of male small to medium, 0.58-0.71 head height; eye of female slightly smaller than in male. Flagellomere 1 of male medium-short to medium-long, 0.42-0.67 head height; shape from linear to slightly broadened; not bifid. Flagellomere 1 of female slightly smaller than in male, Arostomere 1 short. Arostomere two 2.4X longer than wide. Arostomere 3 almost bare to micropubescent, rather short (G. *montium*) to long and tapered. Clypeus...

**Thorax.**— Prosternum bare or setulose. Lower proepimeral seta weak, not directed downward. Katepistemum bare anterior to mid coxa. Lower katepisternal seta shorter than upper anterior seta. Three postsutural dorsocentral setae, except four in *G. montium*. Upper part of anepisternum lacking, or with single, setula. Fore tibia with preapical *ad* seta varied: short in *G. montium*, half to subequal length of *d* seta in *G. schistacea*, and at least length of *d* seta in *G. io* and *G. versicolor*. Mid tibia with row of *ad* setae, two to seven long and one to three shorter in most taxa. Tarsomeres normal in size, claws small to medium.

**Wing:** 
- *CuA* with distal portion 0.26-0.47 length of proximal portion (*i.e.* dm-*cu* near wing margin; mean 0.34); anal vein not extended to wing margin. Wing setulae: *R*1 bare dorsally and ventrally; *R*5 setulose from base to beyond r-m; *CuA*1 bare.

**Abdominal terga 1-5.**— Abdomen ovoid in shape. Setae varied in length intraspecifically: some specimens with median and lateral marginal setae on T1, and lateral discal setae on T1, others without long setae on T1 and with normal setation on T2-3.

**Male genitalia** (Figs. 47, 71-72, 107, 137).— *S*5 (Fig. 47) little varied, posterior margin approximately U-shaped; processes with apical lobes clearly differentiated, at least as long as wide; median lobe unusually prominent, in form of broad, truncate plate flattened posteromedially; processes moderately setulose. *T*6 in form of single, narrow to broad, dorsally continuous sclerite. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion subequal to or slightly wider than hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite in profile either narrow and linear (Fig. 72), or broad and truncate with membranous portion spinulose (*G. io*, Fig. 71). Distiphallus (Fig. 107) large, in profile more or less truncate apically and evenly tapered basally, posterolateral margin with short pointed sclerite (not extended beyond apex of distiphallus) separated from broad lateral margin by narrow incision (posterolateral margin curved toward midline and thus pointed sclerite not visible in Fig. 107), anterior margin distinctly developed; apex at least as long as broad in ventral view. Postgonite apically narrow or broad, turned outward. Surstylus long, thin and straight; fused basally with eparandrium (Fig. 137). Cerci elongate, sharply inflexed at midlength; thickly covered with long setae on basal half (Fig. 137).

Examined male genitalia of: *G. io*, *G. schistacea* and *G. versicolor* (last species shown in Andersen 1983, fig. 22).

**Female genitalia** (Fig. 145).— Moderately extensible. *S*6 with very long hairs. *T*6 distinctly developed, enclosing spiracles of segment 6; discontinuous dorsally. *S*7 without anterior apodeme; pointed posteriorly, with (*G. schistacea*) or without (*G. io*) posterior medial keel. *T*7 present as two lateral sclerites; spiracles of segment 7 in membrane between segments 6 and 7. *S*8 small, haired. *T*10 present as two small sclerites.

Examined female genitalia of: *G. io*. Female reproductive system of *G. schistacea* shown in Andersen (1983, fig. 3).

**Hosts**

Hosts are known for three of the four species, and these are all parasites of *Malacosoma* species (tent caterpillars) (Table 2).

**Phylogenetics**

The only externally autapotypic feature of *Goniocera* is the row of *ad* setae on the mid tibia, though similarities in the male genitalia, specifically sternum 5 and distiphallus, in three of the four species (male genitalia of *G. montium* not examined) provide additional evidence supporting monophyly of the genus. With respect to male sternum 5, the median lobe is unusually prominent, and flattened on its posteromedia surface (Fig. 47). A trend in several siphonine groups is toward a flattened median lobe (*e.g.* Figs. 54, 68), but only in a few *Ceromya s.s.* species is its shape similar to that in *Goniocera* species. Considering this trend, and the presumably derived phylogenetic position of these *Ceromya s.s.* species within that genus, it is probable that the characteristic shape of sternum 5 among *Goniocera*
species is a synapotypy, and its similar appearance in *Ceromya s.s.* is the result of convergence.

Shape of the distiphallus is similar among examined *Goniocera* species (Fig. 107). In particular the posterolateral margins are curved toward the midline, and incised to form two short sclerotized projections (one per side) - as these projections are only seen in posterior view they are not visible in Fig. 107. The only other siphonines known to share this feature are two species of the *Ceromya palloris* group, *C. flaviseta* and *C. ontario*, which are not otherwise similar to *Goniocera* species. The male genitalia of *G. montium* were not examined, but it is predicted that they have the same states here suggested as synapotypies of the genus.

The pregonite of *G. io* differs from those of *G. schistacea* and *G. versicolor* by the presence of tiny spinules on the membranous portion (Fig. 71). This feature is in most *Ceromya s.s.* species, and is considered synapotypic of that group. The presence of spinules on the pregonite of *G. io* can be interpreted in several ways, as discussed in the Evolution chapter. These different interpretations of the pregonite in *G. io* lead to different phylogenetic scenarios regarding *Goniocera* (Figs. 166-169), but none challenges the well established monophyly of the genus.

Adult females of *G. io* and *G. schistacea* have a small sternum 8 (Fig. 145), which is a derived state among siphonines. The size of this sclerite is unknown in *G. montium* and *G. versicolor*, but if also small, then would represent another synapotypy of the genus.

Tent caterpillars (*Malacosoma* species, Lasiocampidae) are the only known hosts of *Goniocera* species (Table 2). Since *G. montium* is the only *Goniocera* species for which a host is unrecorded, and *Malacosoma* species are not known hosts for any other siphonines, I hypothesize that this parasitic specialization is a synapotypy of *Goniocera* species.

**Geographic distribution**

This genus includes three sympatric species in the Palearctic region, all western in distribution (Mesnil 1963a, Herting 1984): *G. montium* (a rarely collected species only known from France), *G. schistacea* (Denmark and Middle Europe) and *G. versicolor* (ranging from southern Sweden to England, France, Germany, Austria and Poland). The single Nearctic species, *G. io*, is recorded from eastern Canada and northeastern USA (Sabrosky and Arnaud 1965).

**List of described species included in *Goniocera***


P  *montium* (Villeneuve), 1921: 47 (*Actia (Euchaetactia)*). Holotype male, France: [Col du] Lautaret (CNC). Holotype examined.

P  *schistacea* Brauer and Bergenstamm, 1891: 354. Holotype female, Austria (not

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located).


**P versicolor** (Fallén), 1820: 19 (*Tachina*). Syntypes, Sweden: Skåne (NRS).

syn. *latifrons* (Meigen), 1824: 365 (*Tachina*). Holotype female, Austria (lost).— Herting, 1984: 120.

*hartigii* (Ratzeburg), 1844: 172 (*Musca* (*Tachina*)). Type, Germany (lost).— Herting, 1982: 8.


Genus *Proceromyia* Mesnil

Figs. 2-3, 48-49, 73-74, 108-109, 146.

*Proceromyia* Mesnil, 1957: 35 (as subgenus of *Ceromya*). Type-species, *Ceromya (Proceromyia) macronychia* Mesnil, 1957 (monotypy).


Recognition

The two described species of *Proceromyia* are only recorded from Japan and the Kuril Islands. One, *P. pubioculata*, is markedly autapotypic in external head features, differing from other siphonines in having a densely haired eye and 8-12 frontal setae (Fig. 3). The other species, *P. macronychia*, is less distinctive and easily mistaken externally for a *Ceromya* species (head shown in Fig. 2). Both species share externally the following unique combination of character states (cf. Table 1): narrow vertex (apparently unique, but not quantitatively assessed in this study), prosternum bare (rare among siphonines), fore tibia with preapical *ad* seta subequal in length or longer than *d* seta (as in *Entomophaga* species and several other species), large tarsal claws (only as large in some *Siphona s.s.* species), wing vein *R*₄₊₅ setulose between base and crossvein *r-m* and other veins bare, and anal vein not extended to wing margin.

Features of the male genitalia, particularly shape of sternum 5 (Figs. 48-49), pregonite (Figs. 73-74) and distiphallus (Figs. 108-109) are also diagnostic for the genus, though the latter two structures closely resemble those in the sister genus *Entomophaga* (Figs. 75-76 and 110-111). *Proceromyia* species are distinguished externally from those of *Entomophaga* by their short aristomere 1 (cf. Figs. 2-3 and 4-5), bare prosternum and larger tarsal claws.

Key to adults of *Proceromyia* species

(See section entitled “Review of major keys to genera and subgenera of the Siphonini” for information about how other authors have keyed (and classified) the following species.)
1. Eye densely haired; 8-12 frontal setae (Fig. 3, eye hairs not shown) (Japan)...........Proceromyia pubioculata Mesnil & Shima

1' Eye almost bare; five frontal setae (Fig. 2) (Japan and Kuril Islands)....................Proceromyia macronychia Mesnil

Description
(Note: female of P. pubioculata unknown.)

Length: 3.0-5.5mm.

Head (Figs. 2-3).— (Head of P. pubioculata also shown in Mesnil and Shima 1978, fig. 10.) Generally five frontal setae in P. macronychia, 8-12 in P. pubioculata, rather fine in both. Proclinate orbital setae thin but average length, subequal in most specimens. Eye almost bare (P. macronychia) or densely haired (P. pubioculata). Eye of male and female subequal, medium-large, 0.78-0.84 head height. Flagellomere 1 of male short to medium-short, 0.34-0.43 head height; shape average in width; not bifid. Flagellomere 1 of female usually slightly smaller than in male. Aristomere 3 almost bare, slightly short to normal length, evenly tapered to tip or abruptly narrowed on apical two-thirds. Clypeus U-shaped in P. macronychia, not examined in P. pubioculata. Palpus short to medium, clavate. Proboscis with prementum short, labella padlike.

Thorax.— Prosternum bare. Lower proepimeral seta weak, not directed downward. Katepisternum bare anterior to mid coxa. Lower katepisternal seta shorter than upper anterior seta. Three postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepistemum with single setula in P. macronychia, with three setulae in single examined specimen of P. pubioculata. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta subequal to or longer than d seta. Mid tibia with one ad seta. Tarsomeres normal in size; claws large. Wing: CuA with distal portion 0.24-0.32 length of proximal portion (i.e. dm-cu near wing margin; mean 0.27); anal vein not extended to wing margin. Wing setulae: Rx bare dorsally and ventrally; R4+5 setulose between base and r-m; CuA1 bare.

Abdominal terga 1-5.— Abdomen ovoid in shape. Ts without median marginal setae; lateral marginal setae strong. T7-T8 average or with lateral discal setae on one or more segments.

Male genitalia (Figs. 48-49, 73-74, 108-109).— S5 (Figs. 48-49) little varied, posterior margins of processes obtusely angled; apical lobe slightly differentiated; median lobe rounded, relatively unmodified; processes moderately setulose. T8 forming single, broad, dorsally continuous sclerite. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion slightly wider to about 1.5X wider than hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite (Figs. 73-74) in profile smoothly curved anteriorly and more or less pointed apically, with small spines along anterolateral ridge. Epiphallus small in P. pubioculata, absent from P. macronychia. Distiphallus (Figs. 108-109) with posterior margin partially reduced, laterally incised, anterior margin reduced except for long, spinel anterolateral arm; apex broader than long in ventral view. Postgonite apically broad and turned outward. Surstylus average length, broadened at midpoint, straight; basally free from clypeus. Ceri rather short (P. macronychia) to average length (P. pubioculata), smoothly curved at midlength; moderately setose on basal half.

Examined male genitalia of: P. macronychia and P. pubioculata (latter shown in Mesnil and Shima 1978, fig. 11).

Female genitalia (Fig. 146).— (Only P. macronychia examined.) Short, S6 with short hairs. T8 distinctly developed, enclosing spiracles of segment 6; narrowly discontinuous dorsally. S7 with long anterior apodeme; without posteroventral keel. T9 present as two lateral sclerites; spiracles of segment 7 displaced anteriorly and enclosed in posterior margin of T9. S8 distinctly developed, haired. T10 present as small median sclerite.

Examined female genitalia of: P. macronychia.

Hosts. Unknown.

Phylogenetics

Mesnil described P. macronychia in 1957 (p. 35) as a new species in new subgenus Ceromya (Proceromyia), basing the new taxon primarily on the presence of large claws and narrow vertex. At that time Ceromya s.l. was recognized as a
siphonine genus in which the anal vein did not extend to the wing margin and from which the derived features of Actia and Goniocera were lacking.

Mesnil later completely revised the Palearctic Ceromya species (1963a: 829), and recognized two primary divisions within the genus: Ceromya (Ceromya) characterized by wing vein \( R_{4+5} \) setulose from base to beyond crossvein \( r-m \), and both C. (Proceromyia) and C. (Stenoparia) characterized by vein \( R_{4+5} \) not setulose beyond \( r-m \). I discuss here the monophyly of Mesnil's C. (Proceromyia) - status of C. (Stenoparia) and placement of its type species C. monstrosicornis are discussed in the Phylogenetics section of Ceromya s.s., while the other C. (Stenoparia) species recognized by Mesnil, C. nigrohalterata, is placed in Entomophaga and discussed in the Phylogenetics section of that genus.

The second species here included in Proceromyia is a siphonine of unusual appearance, P. pubioculata. This species was described in its own genus, Nipponoceromyia Mesnil and Shima (1978), primarily because of its uniquely haired eye and numerous frontal setae (Fig. 3). The authors commented that P. pubioculata seemed related to Proceromyia macronychia (1978: 325), citing as evidence the shared possession of weak proclinate orbital setae, narrow vertex and short distal section of wing vein Cu\( _1 \). I doubt that the first character state is uniquely shared by these two species, the last certainly is not, but the narrow vertex might be a synapotypy of these species. Both species also have unusually large tarsal claws. The male genitalia of Proceromyia macronychia and Nipponoceromyia pubioculata were apparently not compared by Mesnil and Shima, but corroborate their phylogenetic hypothesis and as discussed below provide better evidence for a sister species relationship between these species.

Similarities in the male genitalia of Proceromyia macronychia and Nipponoceromyia pubioculata belie the external differences between these species, leading to the conclusion that the autapotypic features of N. pubioculata are the result of divergence from a more P. macronychia-like ancestor. In support of this are the remarkable similarities in male sternum 5 (Figs. 48-49), pregonite (Figs. 73-74) and distiphallus (Figs. 108-109) - similarities which also attest to a close relationship with Entomophaga (see the Phylogenetics section of that genus and the Evolution chapter for a discussion of these intergeneric relationships). Given the general external similarities between P. macronychia and P. pubioculata (listed in the Recognition section) and diverse shapes of male genitalia among siphonines in general, I regard the shared similarities in male genitalia of these two species as synapotypies. I propose the following classification to reflect this hypothesized relationship between P. macronychia and N. pubioculata: N. pubioculata is moved to Proceromyia, and Proceromyia is ranked at the generic level because of its sister group relationship with Entomophaga, and its lack of known synapotypies with Ceromya. Both Proceromyia and Nipponoceromyia were ranked as monobasic genera by Herting (1984: 121-2) before the male genitalia of the two included species were compared (in contrast, Andersen 1983 placed Proceromyia as a
Synonym of *Ceromya* and did not study *Nipponoceromyia pubioculata*). It seems appropriate to modify Herting’s classification of these two species by combining them under one generic name now that their genitalic features are known to be so similar.

**Geographic distribution**

The known ranges of the two included species are very limited: *P. macronychia* was described from Hokkaido, Japan, and has since been recorded from the Kuril Islands, USSR (Richter 1976b). *P. pubioculata* is only known from male specimens collected from Honshu Island, Japan.

**List of described species included in *Proceromyia***

P. *macronychia* (Mesnil), 1957: 35 (*Ceromya* (*Proceromyia*)). Holotype male, Japan: Hokkaido, Obihiro (CNC). Holotype examined.


**Genus *Entomophaga* Lioy**

Figs. 4-5, 50-51, 75-76, 110-111, 147.


**Recognition**

*Entomophaga* comprises two described European species, *E. nigrohalterata* and *E. exoleta*. The former is commonly collected while the latter is known from very few specimens. A diagnostic combination for these species is the possession of an elongate aristomere 1 (Figs. 4-5), fore tibia with preapical *ad* seta subequal in length or longer than *d* seta, wing vein *R*$_{4+5}$ setulose between base and crossvein *r*-m and other veins bare, and anal vein not extended to wing margin (cf. Table 1). In addition, features of the male genitalia are distinctive, and are similar only to the male genitalia of the externally very different appearing *Proceromyia* species (cf. head profiles in Figs. 2-5, sternum 5 in Figs. 48-51, pregonite in Figs. 73-76 and distiphallus in Figs. 108-111).

*Entomophaga exoleta* has been considered an *Actia* species by some authors because of its row of hairs on the katepisternum anterior to the mid coxa (as in Fig. 33), but is clearly misplaced there based on other features (see Phylogenetics section and Evolution chapter). Likewise, *E. nigrohalterata* has been mistaken for a *Ceromya* species because its phylogenetically important character states have been misinterpreted.

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Key to adults of *Entomophaga* species

(See section entitled "Review of major keys to genera and subgenera of the Siphonini" for information about how other authors have keyed (and classified) the following species.)

1. Three postsutural dorsocentral setae; katepisternum with row of hairs directly anterior to mid coxa, extended upward almost to lower katepisternal seta (as in *Actio* spp., Fig. 33); male sternum 5 U-shaped, apical lobe distinctly differentiated (Fig. 50); pregonite spined along anterolateral margin (Fig. 75); distiphallus with lateral margin markedly reduced (Fig. 110) (Europe; very rarely collected). *Entomophaga exoleta* (Meigen)

1'. Four postsutural dorsocentral setae; katepisternum almost bare directly anterior to mid coxa, except for several hairs in posteroventral corner (Fig. 34); male sternum 5 with apical lobe slightly differentiated (Fig. 51); pregonite bare along anterolateral margin (Fig. 76); distiphallus with lateral margin partially reduced (Fig. 111) (Europe; commonly collected). *Entomophaga nigrohalterata* (Vill.)

Description

Length: 3.0-5.0 mm.

Head (Figs. 4-5).— Four or five frontal setae, in normal arrangement. Anterior procline orbital seta longer than posterior one in *E. exoleta*, setae subequal in length in *E. nigrohalterata*. Eye bare. Eye of male small to medium, 0.63-0.77 head height; eye of female slightly larger than in male. Flagellomere 1 of male medium to medium-long, 0.58-0.66 head height; shape broad to subquadrangular; not bifid. Flagellomere 1 of female slightly smaller than in male. Aristomere 1 elongate, 1.5-5X longer than wide. Aristomere 2 3-4X longer than wide. Aristomere 3 almost bare, slightly shorter than average, evenly tapered to tip. Clypeus U-shaped. Palpus long, clavate. Proboscis with prementum short, labella padlike.

Thorax.— Presternum setulose. Lower proepimeral seta weak, not directed downward. Katepisternum bare (E. nigrohalterata) or with row of hairs anterior to mid coxa (E. exoleta). Lower katepisternal setae shorter than upper anterior seta. Three (E. exoleta) or four (E. nigrohalterata) postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with single setula. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta subequal to or longer than d seta. Mid tibia with one ad seta. Tarsomeres normal in size, claws small to medium-large. Wing: CuA1 with distal portion 0.25-0.43 length of proximal portion (i.e. dm-cu near wing margin; mean 0.33); anal vein not extended to wing margin. Wing setulae: R1 bare dorsally and ventrally; R4+5 setulose between base and r-m; CuA1 bare.

Abdominal terga 1-5.— Abdomen ovoid in shape, T1+2 without median marginal setae; lateral marginal setae strong. T3-7 average or with lateral discal setae on 1 or more segments.

Male genitalia (Figs. 50-51, 75-76, 110-111).— S1 with apical lobe of processes slightly differentiated (posterior margins almost transverse, Fig. 51) in *E. nigrohalterata*, distinctly differentiated and posterior margin approximately U-shaped in *E. exoleta* (Fig. 50); median lobe rounded, relatively unmodified; processes moderately setulose. T5 forming single, broad, dorsally continuous sclerite. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion slightly wider to almost 2.0X wider than hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite in profile smoothly curved anteriorly, pointed apically; either bare (E. nigrohalterata, Fig. 76) or spined along anterolateral margin (E. exoleta, Fig. 75). Epiphallus present: very short in E. nigrohalterata, long and narrow in E. exoleta. Distiphallus (Figs. 110-111) with posterior margin partially reduced, laterally incised, anterior margin reduced except for long, spined anterolateral arm; broader than long in ventral view. Postgonite apically broad and turned outward. Surstylus average length, straight (E. nigrohalterata) or
curved posteriorly (E. exoleta); basally free from epandrium. Cerci rather short, smoothly curved at midlength; moderately setose on basal half.

Examined male genitalia of: E. exoleta and E. nigrohalterata (latter shown in Andersen 1983, fig. 24).

**Female genitalia** (Fig. 147).— (Only E. nigrohalterata examined.) Short. S₆ with very short hairs. T₆ distinctly developed, enclosing spiracles of segment 6; narrowly discontinuous dorsally. S₇ with long anterior apodeme; slightly keeled posteromedially. T₇ present as two lateral sclerites; spiracles of segment 7 displaced anteriorly to very near or associated with T₆. S₈ absent. T₉ absent or present as two small sclerites. Examined female genitalia of: E. nigrohalterata (also see Andersen 1983, fig. 9).

**Hosts.** Unknown.

**Phylogenetics**

Herting (1975: 4) revised the standard classification of E. exoleta and E. nigrohalterata by removing the former from Actia and the latter from Ceromya, and uniting them under a newly defined Entomophaga Lioy (cf. Mesnil 1963a). Herting based his concept of Entomophaga primarily on two characteristics shared by E. exoleta and E. nigrohalterata: an elongate aristomere 1 and long preapical ad seta on fore tibia. The second feature is shown in this study to be shared with related taxa (see Evolution chapter), but the first is accepted here as a synapotypy of Entomophaga, though not unique to the genus (Table 1).

Recently Andersen (1983: 12) reviewed the Old World Siphonini and re-assigned E. exoleta to Actia and E. nigrohalterata to Ceromya. Andersen returned E. exoleta to Actia because he considered its row of katepisternal hairs to be clear evidence of its membership in Actia. He interpreted the elongate aristomere 1 of E. exoleta and E. nigrohalterata as autapotypies of each species, consequently returning the latter to Ceromya because “it does not differ significantly from other Ceromya species in external characters” (1983: 12). However, Andersen noted that the male and female genitalia of E. nigrohalterata were different from the Ceromya-type.

Andersen's classification of the two species here placed in Entomophaga and Proceromyia was based on external characters, since only the genitalia of E. nigrohalterata were examined. I hypothesize that characteristics of the male genitalia of the four Entomophaga and Proceromyia species indicate that these species form a monophyletic lineage, based on shape of the pregonite (Figs. 73-76) and distiphallus (Figs. 108-111), which are derivable from a common groundplan and lack synapotypies with the Actia and Ceromya lineages. The two Proceromyia species are not only remarkably similar in male genitalic features (Figs. 48-49, 73-74, 108-109) but share unique external similarities as well, so are certainly sister species. The male genitalia of Entomophaga species are more equivocal; they clearly indicate a close relationship with Proceromyia, but not a sister species relationship between E. exoleta and E. nigrohalterata. However, given the general external similarities between E. exoleta and E. nigrohalterata, particularly head habitus (Figs. 4-5) and derived state of aristomere 1, these species most probably form a monophyletic group. If these external similarities are not synapotypies then

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Entomophaga might be paraphyletic with respect to Proceromyia (i.e. either E. exoleta or E. nigrohalterata being more closely related to the Proceromyia lineage than to its congener).

Features of the male genitalia of E. exoleta not only corroborate its placement in the Entomophaga+Proceromyia lineage, but provide the best evidence for removing this species from Actia. Actia species share the synapotypies of a more or less V-shaped sternum 5 (Figs. 58-59) and apically spinose pregonite (Figs. 85-86), and these states are lacking from E. exoleta. It is concluded that the row of katepisternal hairs that are found (among siphonines) only in E. exoleta and most Actia species is the result of convergence; convergence certainly accounts for the presence of this row of hairs in Actia and some non-siphonine tachinids. E. exoleta also has one seta on the upper portion of the anepisternum while almost all Actia species have two (cf. Figs. 31 and 32).

E. nigrohalterata has not been shown to share any synapotypies with Ceromya, either here or by previous authors. Spinules on the membranous portion of the pregonite in most Ceromya s.s. species, here considered a synapotypy of Ceromya s.s., are absent from E. nigrohalterata. Further research is needed to resolve relationships within Ceromya s.l., and will not only provide information relevant to the placement of E. nigrohalterata, but to other species of Entomophaga and Proceromyia as well.

Adult females of E. nigrohalterata are atypical in their lack of a sclerotized abdominal sternum 8 (Fig. 147). Study of the female genitalia of E. exoleta has not yet been possible, but if sternum 8 is lacking then a sister species relationship between E. exoleta and E. nigrohalterata would be corroborated (otherwise this loss might be autapotypic of E. nigrohalterata).

Similar in some respects to the species of Entomophaga is Ceromya monstrousicornis. Its placement is discussed in the Phylogenetics section of Ceromya s.s.

Geographic distribution
Entomophaga exoleta is a rarely collected species, recorded from a few localities in France (type locality, and a female in SMNS), Hungary (Andersen, pers. comm.) and England (Crosskey 1976b). E. nigrohalterata is a relatively common species in Europe, with records from England, Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Poland, Austria and Switzerland (Mesnil 1963a, Hering 1967b, 1984, Draber-Motiko 1978, 1981). E. exoleta and E. nigrohalterata are at least narrowly sympatric, with the former slightly more southern in distribution.

List of described species included in Entomophaga

(MNHN).—Herting, 1975: 2.

P nigrohalterata (Villeneuve), 1921: 45 (Actia). Holotype male, Denmark (CNC). Holotype examined.

syn. articulata (Stein), 1924: 131 (Actio). Syntypes, Copenhagen, Denmark and Löbauer Berg, German Democratic Republic (ZMUC; not located, possibly lost).—Lundbeck, 1927: 465.


Genus Ceromya Robineau-Desvoidy sensu lato


Note about classification of Ceromya s.l. species

No known features are clearly interpretable as synapotypic of Ceromya s.l., and as a result the monophyly of this diverse and cosmopolitan genus has not been positively established. However, features of the male genitalia suggest that Ceromya s.l. comprises two monophyletic lineages. These are here called Ceromya s.s. (including type species C. bicolor) and the C. silacea species group (an informal species group in which C. silacea is the most derived species and has the oldest name), and are treated individually throughout this paper.

The unusual division of Ceromya s.l. into two categories of different rank is adopted for practical and nomenclatural reasons. Firstly, male genitalia were not studied in all Ceromya s.l. species, so characterization of the lineages may be incomplete, as well as assignment of described species to the C. silacea species group. Secondly, recognition of the C. silacea species group as a subgenus or genus would require erection of a new genus-group name, which is premature on the basis of available evidence. Ceromya s.s. could equally well be called the C. bicolor species group, but the former designation was chosen to clearly identify the group that would be called Ceromya if the C. silacea species group is later removed from Ceromya s.l.

Recognition

Ceromya s.l. belongs to the group of siphonines in which the anal vein is not extended to the wing margin (Fig. 21). This characteristic separates all known Ceromya s.l. species from species of Peribaea and Siphona s.l. Additionally, the lower katepisternal seta is shorter than the upper anterior one in all but a very few Ceromya s.l. species (Fig. 31) while subequal in length or longer in most Peribaea and Siphona s.l. species (Fig. 32; see Table 1).

New World species of Ceromya s.l. are easily separable from other New World siphonines by the following combination of states: anal vein not extended to wing margin (Fig. 21), absence of row of hairs on katepisternum (Fig. 34; row present in all New World Actia species, Fig. 33) and only one ad seta on mid tibia (Fig. 37;
row of *ad* setae in *Goniocera io*, the only New World *Goniocera* species).

Four Old World genera - *Goniocera, Actia, Entomophaga* and *Proceromyia* - are characterized along with *Ceromya s.l.* by an anal vein not extended to the wing margin. All *Goniocera* species have a row of *ad* setae on the mid tibia (0-1 seta in *Ceromya s.l.* species, as in Figs. 37-38) and are separable from *Ceromya s.l.* species by this feature. The diagnosis given above for New World *Ceromya s.l.* species will not separate Old World members of this taxon from species of *Entomophaga* or *Proceromyia*, or several *Actia* species. It is therefore necessary to diagnose Old World *Ceromya s.l.* species by the presence of at least six of the following seven states: 0-1 anepisternal setula, lower katepisternal seta shorter than upper anterior one, katepisternum lacking row of hairs, fore tibia with short preapical *ad* seta, mid tibia with 0-1 *ad* seta, wing vein *R*$_{4+5}$ setulose beyond crossvein *r-m* and anal vein not extended to wing margin. Similarities and differences among Old World *Ceromya s.l.* species and Old World *Actia, Entomophaga* and *Proceromyia* species are discussed below.

Most Old World *Actia* species are distinguishable from *Ceromya s.l.* species by presence of a row of katepisternal hairs (Fig. 33), but a very few Old World *Actia* species lack this row of hairs and must be recognized by other features (externally by presence of two anepisternal setulae, though characteristics of the male genitalia provide the best means by which to recognize *Actia* species - see Recognition section of *Actia*).

The four species of *Entomophaga* and *Proceromyia* share two states which in combination distinguish them from *Ceromya s.l.* species: fore tibia with preapical *ad* seta subequal in length or longer than *d* seta (only shared with two *Ceromya* species: Nepal sp. 1 and Australia sp. 3) and wing vein *R*$_{4+5}$ not setulose beyond crossvein *r-m* (same in three *Ceromya* species: *C. cephalotes, C. monstruosicornis* and *C. natalensis*). Features of pregonite and distiphallus are also unique to the *Entomophaga*+*Proceromyia* lineage.

Male genital features of *Ceromya s.l.* species are discussed in the Recognition sections of *Ceromya s.s.* and *C. silacea* species group. The possible monophyly of *Ceromya s.l.* is discussed in the Evolution chapter.

*Ceromya* Robineau-Desvoidy *sensu stricto*

*Ceromyia*. Variant spelling of *Ceromya*.
*Stenoparia* Stein, 1924: *S. (Siphona) 128*. Type-species, *S. monstruosicornis* Stein, 1924 (monotypy).
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Schizoceromyia Townsend, 1926b: 542. Type-species, Schizotachina fergusoni Bezzi, 1923 (original designation).
Schizactiana Curran, 1927b: 356 (as subgenus of Actio). Type-species, Actio (Schizactiana) valida Curran, 1927 (original designation).
Pseudactia Malloch, 1930b: 124 (as subgenus of Actia). Type-species Actio (Pseudactia) hirticeps Malloch, 1930 (monotypy).

Recognition
Features of the male genitalia provide the only means for placing Ceromya s.l. species into Ceromya s.s. or the Ceromya silacea species group. The following characteristics of the male genitalia distinguish species of Ceromya s.s. from those of the C. silacea species group: pregonite with enlarged membranous area anteriorly, with tiny spinules in most species (Figs. 39-40, 77-83; similar in Goniocera io (Fig. 71), otherwise unique to Ceromya s.s. species); and distiphallus without infolded, sclerotized structure posteriorly (Figs. 113-116; cf. C. silacea, Fig. 112).

External features of specimens of most described Ceromya s.l. species were examined during this study, but male genitalia were examined in specimens of only a portion of these species (as listed in descriptions of male genitalia of Ceromya s.s. and C. silacea sp. grp.). Possibly a complete study of the male genitalia of all species listed in Ceromya s.s. will reveal several species that should be reassigned to the C. silacea species group. The evidence available at this time is insufficient to permit a thorough reclassification of Ceromya s.l. species into Ceromya s.s. and C. silacea species group.

Description
Length: 3.0-6.0mm.
Head (Figs. 6-7).— Five frontal setae in most species, three or four in a very few; normal arrangement. Anterior proclinate orbital seta longer than posterior one in most species. Eye size of male medium-small to large, 0.68-0.86 head height; eye of female slightly smaller to slightly larger than in male, in most species eye size of sexes subequal. Flagellomere 1 of male markedly varied in length, 0.38-0.80 head height; shape from linear to subquadrangular, bifid in C. fergusoni, C. invalida and C. valida, normal in others. Flagellomere 1 of female smaller than in male; not bifid. Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere two 1.5-6X longer than wide in species with normal antenna, up to 10X in species with bifid flagellomere 1. Aristomere 3 short and thickened to near tip, to long and evenly tapered; almost bare, micropubescent, or rarely short plumose. Clypeus U-shaped in most species, narrow and enclosed in membrane in a few. Palpus short in most species, medium to long in a few; enlarged apically in females of a few species; clavate. Proboscis with prementum short, labella padlike (labella very slightly lengthened in C. luteicornis).
Thorax.— Prosternum setulose in most species, bare in a very few. Lower proepimeral seta weak, not directed downward except in a very few species (though not long as in Peribaea species). Katepisternum bare anterior to mid coxa. Lower katepisternal seta much shorter than upper anterior seta in most species, slightly shorter or subequal to it in two closely related species: C. flaviseta and C. Ontario. Three or four postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with single setula. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta in almost all species, known to be as long as d seta only in Nepal sp. 1 and Australia sp. 3. Mid tibia without ad seta in C. fergusoni, one ad seta in other species. Tarsomeres normal in size in most species, with tarsomere 5 of fore leg elongate and broadened in female of several species; tarsomere 5 of all legs elongate and dilated in female of Australia sp. 3; claws short in most species, medium

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in a few. Wing: CuA
 with distal portion 0.24-0.67X length of proximal portion (mean 0.40); anal vein not extended to wing margin. Wing setulae: R 
 dorsally bare, or distally or entirely setulose, ventrally bare or distally setulose; R 
 setulose from base to beyond r-m in most species, not beyond r-m in C. cephalotes, C. natalensis and C. montrosoricornis. CuA 
 bare or setulose, with basal section setulose in C. americana complex, C. languidula, Brazil spp. 1 and 4 (bare in other siphonines).

Abdominal terga 1-5.— Abdomen ovoid in shape in almost all species, slightly elongate in a very few. T
 without median marginal setae; lateral marginal setae absent to strong. T
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 average in most species, with weak lateral discal setae (T
 and/or extra pair of lateral marginal setae (T
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 only) in a few.

Male genitalia (Figs. 39-40, 53-57, 77-83, 113-116, 138).— S
 markedly varied, inner (or posterior) margins of processes obtusely angled (Fig. 55) to transverse (Fig. 57), in most species U-shaped (Figs. 53-54, 56); apical lobe usually undifferentiated (Fig. 57) to narrowly pointed, in a very few species distinctly differentiated and apically curved in ward (Fig. 56); median lobe markedly varied, from rounded (Figs. 55-56) or elongate (Fig. 53) to flattened plate of varied forms (Fig. 54); rarely similar to shape in Goniocera, and with or without accessory lobe; processes sparsely to densely setulose. T
 varied from two very small lateral sclerites to a single, broad, dorsally continuous sclerite. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion 0.5-1.5X width of hypandrial apodeme. Pre gonite in profile extremely varied: membranous anterior portion of pregonite enlarged in most species and usually with spinules anterolaterally (Figs. 39-40, 79-83; these often tiny and visible only at higher magnifications, 100-400X); in one species (C. la t e a, Fig. 83) pregonite elongate and curved posteriorly (unique within the Siphonini); in one Old World group pregonite ring-shaped and spinules borne anteriorly on sclerotized portion (Fig. 78). Epiphallus present or absent. Distiphallus (Figs. 113-116) extremely varied: in most species anterior margin incised, posterior margin entire in C. lutea (Fig. 116) and Nepal sp. 1, at least partially incised in other species, in profile distiphallus laterally incised to varied degrees in most species (Figs. 114-116), lateral margin entire apically in a few (Fig. 113). Post gonite large, apically rounded, curved ventrally, or bilobed. Suryplus short to long, thin to broad (Fig. 138), straight or curved posteriorly; with long hairs along length in C. languidula (and in C. varie haeta of Ceromya silacea sp. grp.); basally fused with epandrium in most species (Fig. 138), free in others. Cer ci short to average length, deeply inflexed at midlength in some species (Fig. 138), smoothly curved in others; moderately to densely (Fig. 138) setose on basal half.

Examination of male genitalia of: C. amblycera, C. americana complex, C. cornuta, C. flaviceps, C. flaviseta, C. in valida, C. languidula, C. lavinia, C. lutea, C. natalensis, C. ontario, C. palloris, C. nr. punctipes (Australia spp. 3 and Nepal sp. 4). Cerci short to average length, deeply inflexed at midlength in some species (Fig. 138), smooth ly curved in others; moderately to densely (Fig. 138) setose on basal half.

Examination of male genitalia of: C. americana complex, C. bicol or (Andersen 1983, fig. 10), C. cornuta, C. lavinia, C. lutea, C. ontario, Australia sp. 3 and Nepal sp. 4.

Taxonomic changes

Lectotype designation for Ceromya cib d ela (Vill.).— Ceromya cibdela was described in Actia by Villeneu ve in 1913 from an unspecified number of specimens collected from Oshogbo, Nigeria, during October and November of 1910. While studying siphonine collections in the BMNH and CNC, I found a specimen in each labelled as the type of C. cibdela and bearing appropriate locality data. Each specimen bears a type label characteristic of the institution: a round, red-bordered "Type" label on the BMNH specimen, and a red, rectangular "TYPE" label on the
CNC specimen (of the sort used in the CNC to denote types in the Mesnil collection). Both additionally have attached a Villeneuve determination label with the designation “Typ.”. Both specimens fit Villeneuve’s brief description of the species and by all indications are syntypes (no holotype designation was published). They are not, however, conspecific. The CNC specimen belongs to Ceromya and agrees with the current interpretation of C. cibdela (Mesnil 1954, 1963a, Crosskey 1976a), while the BMNH specimen belongs to Siphona (Aphantorhaphopsis). To retain C. cibdela in its current usage I hereby designate the CNC specimen as lectotype. The condition of the CNC specimen also favors its selection as lectotype because it is a male in good condition while the BMNH specimen lacks its abdomen.

Notes about Ceromya fergusoni Bezzi and two related nominal species. — Three named species of Ceromya from eastern Australia have flagellomere 1 bilobed: C. fergusoni (Bezzi 1923b; type-species of Schizoceromyia), C. valida (Curran 1927b; type-species of Schizactiana) and C. invalida (Malloch 1930a). These are unquestionably at least closely related, and as discussed below, perhaps conspecific. I dissected a male paratype (USNM) of C. invalida, and the presence of spinules distally on the membranous portion of the pregonite confirms its placement in Ceromya s.s.

As noted by Crosskey (1973: 137), the type of C. fergusoni is missing. Arnaud (1982) cites a paratype in MCSN, but this is in error. The MCSN specimen (examined by me in 1986) bears a collection label of “Sydney, 3.12.23 [December 3, 1923], Health Dept.”, and stands in the MCSN collection under the label “Schizotachina fergusoni parat. Bezzi”. Bezzi did not name a paratype, and his paper describing the species was read on November 28, 1923, about a week before the “paratype” was collected. The specimen is nonetheless important, for reasons given below.

Two characters given by previous authors separate C. fergusoni, C. valida and C. invalida. One is length of aristomere 2: in the description of C. fergusoni it is much longer than length of aristomere 3, in holotype of C. valida the articles are subequal in length, and in holotype of C. invalida it is slightly more than half length of aristomere 3. The second diagnostic character is presence or absence of an ad seta on mid tibia (character 24). C. fergusoni is cited as lacking this seta, it is long in the type of C. valida and short though stout in type of C. invalida. In all other respects the three named species seem not to differ significantly.

Malloch (1930a) knew about both Bezzi’s C. fergusoni and Curran’s C. valida when he described C. invalida, but finding Curran’s description lacking information about the mid tibial ad seta, he divided all his material between C. fergusoni and C. invalida. Malloch apparently did not see any specimens with an aristomere 2 subequal in length to aristomere 3, as described for Curran’s C. valida.¹

¹The labelled holotype of C. valida agrees in all respects with its description, but was collected from

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I strongly suspect that the character states used to separate the three nominal species are unreliable within this species complex. Length of aristomere 2 is subject to some variation in some other siphonines, particularly those in which it is elongate. Under different circumstances, I would consider the mid tibial ad seta as reliable, but several factors suggest it may not be here. Firstly, Malloch’s (1930a) specimen’s of “C. fergusoni” and “C. invalida” were collected from the same locality (Sydney), and between the same months (Sept. to Dec.). Secondly, the MCSN specimen identified (by Bezzi?) as C. fergusoni lacks the mid tibial ad seta as described for that species, but has an aristomere 2 as described for C. invalida (also note that this specimen is labelled similarly to the specimens of “C. fergusoni” and “C. invalida” studied by Malloch). Thirdly, the types of the three nominal species vary in relative length of the mid tibial ad seta, suggesting a pattern of intraspecific variability. Fourthly, a BMNH specimen from South Australia has an aristomere two 0.8X length of aristomere 3 and a long mid tibial ad seta, placing it closest to C. valida, or by Malloch’s criteria in C. invalida.

I have not examined enough material to firmly establish the conspecificity of the three nominal species discussed above. Neither have I examined the male genitalia of specimens of all three forms to determine if there are genitalic differences among them. Also the correlation between aristomere 2 length and presence/absence of a mid tibial ad seta needs to be studied to determine if these characteristics are distributed as uniformly as suggested by Malloch. The evidence now available casts doubt on the correctness of recognizing all three named species as valid species, but I reserve any change in nomenclature until more specimens can be examined and my above concerns addressed.

Hosts

Ceromya s.s. species mostly parasitize Macrolepidoptera, without apparent preference for a particular family (Table 2). A single record for a rearing from a tenthredinid for Ceromya bicolor (a common European species also recorded from the Arctiidae and Lasiocampidae) is, if accurate, the only known record of a siphonine parasitizing a hymenopteran.

Phylogenetics

Species of Ceromya s.s. are not known to possess any synapotypic character states externally. The group, in addition to members of the C. silacea species group, is defined externally by the lack of derived features found in other siphonine lineages (see Recognition section of Ceromya s.l.), and Ceromya s.s. species are only separable from species of the C. silacea species group by features of the male

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1(cont’d) Palmerston on Sept. 1908 by Lichtwardt, and not (as cited by Curran) collected from Palmerston in 1910 by Fred P. Dodd. There is no other indication that this specimen is not the one selected by Curran as holotype of this nominal species.
genitalia.

Though members of Ceromya s.s. do not share known synapotypies externally, one derived characteristic of the male genitalia suggests the group is monophyletic, i.e. the more or less enlarged membranous area on the anterior surface of the pregonite, which in most Ceromya s.s. species is partially covered with tiny spinules (Figs. 39-40 and 77-83; in some species these spinules are only visible at magnifications of 100X-400X). These spinules are a derived state within the Siphonini, and so far as known are only present in Ceromya s.s. species and Goniocera io. The phylogenetic significance of this apotypic state in G. io is discussed in the Evolution chapter, though for the purposes of this discussion the state is interpreted as independently derived in G. io and Ceromya s.s.

The size and number of spinules on the pregonite of Ceromya s.s. species varies from species to species, and they are entirely absent from a few (cf. Figs. 77-83). Species which lack spinules are, with rare exceptions (as discussed below), assignable to species groups which possess them (for example, the pregonite is bare in C. flaviceps and spinulose in several closely related species), so presence of spinules is here interpreted as the groundplan condition, or is an underlying synapotypy (as defined in Evolution chapter), of Ceromya s.s. Several Ceromya s.s. species show modification from the simple spinulose condition, such as New Guinea sp. 6 (Fig. 78) and Brazil sp. 3 (Fig. 82), but the pregonite of these species is traceable to the primitive condition through species with intermediate states. More specifically, the pregonite of certain species suggests that the ring-shaped pregonite of New Guinea sp. 6 is derivable from a bilobed pregonite of a C. flaviceps-like ancestor, and the enlarged spines on the pregonite of Brazil sp. 3 are derivable from an ancestor with a spinulose condition similar to Mexico sp. 5 (Fig. 81; note that the spined condition of the pregonite in Brazil sp. 3 is distinctly different from the Actia-type, Figs. 85-86).

The pregonite of C. lutea (Fig. 83) is unique in curving posteriorly. No other siphonine is known to share this condition, and along with the derived shapes of its male sternum 5 (Fig. 57) and distiphallus (Fig. 116), this seems to indicate that this species is not closely related to other known Ceromya s.s. species. C. lutea is interpreted as a member of Ceromya s.s. because it has tiny spinules on the anterior (membranous) portion of the pregonite.

Setulation of wing vein R$_{4+5}$ is a markedly labile character within siphonine lineages (Table 1), though all Ceromya s.l. species except C. cephalotes, C. natalensis and C. monstrlosicornis have R$_{4+5}$ setulose beyond r-m. The placement of these three species in Ceromya was carefully evaluated because the monophyly of Ceromya s.l. is not well established, and Enomaphaga and Proceromyia species are also characterized by R$_{4+5}$ not setulose beyond r-m. The male genitalia of C. cephalotes and C. natalensis were examined, and though spinules are absent from the pregonite, other features of the male genitalia indicate that the former belongs to the C. bicolor group and the latter is closely related to C. languidula. Both species

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are therefore retained in Ceromya s.s. The placement of C. monstrosicornis in Ceromya s.s. is more equivocal because the male genitalia were unavailable for study and for other reasons discussed below.

Stein described C. monstrosicornis in 1924 in a new monobasic genus, Stenoparia. Mesnil (1963a) classified Stenoparia as a subgenus of Ceromya, adding C. nigrohalterata to the taxon. Species of C. (Stenoparia) and C. (Proceromyia) were separated from those of Ceromya s.s. by not having wing vein R_{4+5} setulose beyond crossvein r-m, and the latter (with single species C. macronychia) was separated from the former by its larger tarsal claws and several other minor differences (1963a: 829). In the classification adopted here, C. macronychia and Nipponoceromyia pubioculata (described after Mesnil’s Palearctic revision) are included in the genus Proceromyia, and C. nigrohalterata is included in the genus Entomophaga with E. exoleta (see Phylogenetics sections of Proceromyia and Entomophaga).

There is insufficient evidence to place C. monstrosicornis in Entomophaga or Proceromyia (it certainly is not a Goniocera species). This species lacks the elongate aristomere 1 of Entomophaga or large tarsal claws of Proceromyia, and does not have a long preapical ad seta on the fore tibia which is common to both. Yet C. monstrosicornis is the only Ceromya s.l. species with a bare prossternum (as in Proceromyia), one of only three Ceromya s.l. species with R_{4+5} not setulose beyond r-m, and has a dark, uniformly pruinose abdomen as in Entomophaga and Proceromyia. Unfortunately, a male specimen of C. monstrosicornis could not be located in North American or European collections (and the male type could not be located in the ZMHU), so the phylogenetically important characters of the male genitalia could not be studied. C. monstrosicornis is left in Ceromya s.s. (not in Ceromya s.l., as it is certainly not a member of the C. silacea sp. grp.) until its male genitalia are studied and its relationship to Ceromya, Entomophaga and Proceromyia established.

The placement of two undescribed species, Australia sp. 3 and Nepal sp. 1, in Ceromya s.s. also requires explanation. These species differ from other Ceromya s.l. species in having a long preapical ad seta on the fore tibia. They share this state with Entomophaga and Proceromyia species and some species of Goniocera and Actia, so the phylogenetic interpretation of this state in these Ceromya species is relevant to their placement. These species are certainly not close to Actia, so the discussion which follows focuses on their possible affinities with the other three genera.

Australia sp. 3 is known only from adult females and first instars, so pertinent characters of the male genitalia are unknown. Females of this species are unusual among Ceromya species in having enlarged tarsomere 5 on all legs and a sharply keeled sternum 7, while the first instar has an uncharacteristically broad labrum. These states are evidently autapotypies as they are not shared with the non-Ceromya genera mentioned above. External characteristics of the female favour the placement of Australia sp. 3 in Ceromya s.s., though it is noted that examination of the male
genitalia would provide valuable information about this species' affinities. The placement of Nepal sp. 1 is enigmatic, as it appears to belong in *Goniocera, Entomophaga, Proceromyia* or *Ceromya*, but lacks the synapomorphies of any of these. Its placement is complicated further by its unusual combination of character states: (1) haired parafacial (with several larger setulae) in common with all but one *Goniocera* species (though the parafacial is more heavily setulose in those species than in Nepal sp. 1; Fig. 1), *Proceromyia pubiocolata* and *Ceromya monstrosicornis* (both with hairs only on parafacial; Fig. 3), (2) long preapical ad seta on fore tibia (as mentioned above), (3) haired prosternum (shared with most siphonines, but not *Proceromyia* and some *Goniocera* species), (4) $R_{4+5}$ setulose beyond $r-m$ (as in *Goniocera* species and almost all *Ceromya* species, but not *Entomophaga* and *Proceromyia* species), and (5) uniformly pruinose abdomen (as in *Goniocera, Proceromyia* and *Entomophaga* species, and *C. monstrosicornis* but not other *Ceromya* species). I have been unable to polarize these states with confidence, so cannot interpret their phylogenetic significance (see also Evolution chapter under Phylogenetics of non-*Siphona s.l.* siphonine lineages). The male genitalia of Nepal sp. 1 do not closely resemble those of the aforementioned non-*Ceromya* genera, but similarly lack the typical spinules on the pregonite possessed by most *Ceromya s.s.* species (male genitalia of *C. monstrosicornis* unavailable for study) and has an aedeagus which cannot be placed into a *Ceromya s.s.* species group (though very different from the typical shape in the *Ceromya silacea* species group).

Such an array of character states in Nepal sp. 1 is not easily interpretable, and any placement at this time is tentative at best. This species seems to share more states with species of *Ceromya s.s.* (see description of *Ceromya s.s.*, which includes Nepal sp. 1) than with species of the other genera discussed, so is placed here for the present. A possible relationship with *C. monstrosicornis* needs to be investigated.

**Geographic distribution**

Thirty-nine described species are assigned to *Ceromya s.s.*, of which only eight are New World in distribution (see Sabrosky and Arnaud 1965 for ranges of species north of Mexico, Guimarães 1971, Cortés 1967, and Cortés and Hichins 1969 for ranges of species south of the United States). However, preliminary study of specimens of New World *Ceromya s.s.* indicates that the number of described species is a significant underestimate of the true diversity of the group in the New World. I estimate from examined material that there are about 15 undescribed New World species, almost all Neotropical in distribution.

Most accurately known are the British (Crosskey 1976b) and European (Draber-Mońko 1981, Herting 1984) faunas, consisting of five described species. A key for recognition of all of these species has not been published, though they are treated in part in Mesnil (1963a) and Herting (1977). The fauna of Asia is less well documented, and appears to be depauperate. *C. bicolor* is the only *Ceromya s.s.* species recorded from central Asia (Richter 1971, 1975, 1980), and the only other...
described eastern Palearctic species, *C. pruinosa*, is apparently restricted to Japan (though Herting 1984 cites this species as a possible synonym of *C. bicolor*). However, I have seen specimens of several undescribed species of *Ceromya* s.s. collected from Nepal.

Greatest diversity of described *Ceromya* s.s. species in the Old World is recorded from the tropics: eight species in the Afrotropical region and 13 in the Oriental region (distributions given in Crosskey 1980, 1976a, respectively; key to Philippine species in Dear and Crosskey 1982, though these authors include *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* in their concept of *Ceromya*). Only three species are described from Australia (Crosskey 1973). Still, the described portion of the Old World fauna of *Ceromya* s.s. belies its true diversity: Shima (pers. comm.) has tentatively recognized close to 20 new species in the Oriental region, and I have seen specimens of numerous undescribed species from Australia and Africa.

From a cosmopolitan perspective *Ceromya* s.s. can best be considered a tropical group, with relatively few species in the Nearctic and Palearctic regions. The genus still requires a great deal of descriptive work, especially with respect to its tropical elements.

**List of described species included in *Ceromya sensu stricto***


O *apicipunctata* (Malloch), 1926: 510 (*Actia*). Holotype male, Philippines: Luzon, Benquet (USNM). Holotype examined.


P *bicolor* (Meigen), 1824: 354 (*Tachina*). Holotype male, no locality data (MNHN).


O *dubia* (Malloch), 1930b: 146 (*Actia*). Holotype female, Malaysia: Selangor (BMNH). Holotype examined.


U *fergusoni* (Bezzi), 1923b: 657 (*Schizotachina*). Holotype male, Australia: New South Wales, Sydney (type missing according to Crosskey, 1973: 137).  

P *flaviceps* (Ratzeburg), 1844: 172 (*Musca (Tachina*)). Type, Germany (lost).  

P *flaviseta* (Villeneuve), 1921: 45 (*Actia*). Male syntype from Berlin, Germany, female syntype from Samara, USSR (CNC). Syntypes examined.

O *hirticeps* (Malloch), 1930b: 146 (*Actia (Pseudactia*)). Holotype male, Malaysia: Kedah Peak (BMNH). Holotype examined.

U *invalida* (Malloch), 1930a: 305 (*Actia (Schizoceromyia*)). Holotype male, Australia: New South Wales, Sydney (SPHTM). Holotype examined.


S *lutea* (Townsend), 1927: 283 (*Actinactia*). Holotype male, Brazil: São Paulo
Aluteicornis (Curran), 1933c: 162 (Actia). Holotype male, southern Zimbabwe (BMNH). Holotype examined.

A maculipennis (Malloch), 1930b: 141 (Actia). Holotype male, Malaysia: Selangor (BMNH). Holotype examined.

P monstrosicornis (Stein), 1924: 128 (Stenoparia). Holotype male, German Democratic Republic: Mecklenburg (ZMHU; not located, possibly lost).


O punctipennis (Malloch), 1930b: 140 (Actia). Holotype male, Malaysia: Kedah Peak (BMNH). Holotype examined.

O punctum (Mesnil), 1953: 107 (Actia). Holotype male, China: Canton (BMNH). Holotype examined.

O rotundicornis (Malloch), 1930b: 145 (Actia). Holotype male, Malaysia: Pahang, Fraser’s Hill (BMNH). Holotype examined.


U valida (Curran), 1927b: 356 (Actia (Schizactiana)). Holotype male, Australia: Queensland, Palmerston (DEI). Holotype examined.

Nomen dubium

P erythrocera Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830: 87. Type(s), France (lost).

List of examined, undescribed, species included in Ceromya sensu stricto

Ceromya nr. punctipennis: Two males from se. Popondetta, New Guinea (BLKU).

Ceromya Australia sp. 1: Two males from Queensland (CNC, DPI).

Ceromya Australia sp. 2: Three males, one female from Queensland (DPI).

Ceromya Australia sp. 3: One female from Mt. Glorious, Queensland (DPI).

Ceromya Australia sp. 5: One male, two females from Mt. Glorious, Queensland (DPI).
Ceromya Brazil sp. 1: Males and females from Nova Teutonia (CNC, USP).
Ceromya Brazil sp. 3: One male from Amazonas (INPA).
Ceromya Brazil sp. 4: One male from Nova Teutonia (CNC).
Ceromya Chile sp. 1: One male and one female from Magellanes (CNC).
Ceromya Chile sp. 2: One male from Isla de Chiloé (CNC).
Ceromya Mexico sp. 1: Three males and two females from Durango (CNC).
Ceromya Mexico sp. 2: One male each from Colima (UCB) and Chiaapas (CNC).
Ceromya Mexico sp. 3: One male from Chiaapas, one female from Veracruz (CNC). Two possibly conspecific males from SE Brazil (CNC).
Ceromya Mexico sp. 4: One male from Chiaapas (CNC).
Ceromya Mexico sp. 5: One male from Veracruz (CNC). One male and several females possibly conspecific from SE Brazil (CNC, USP).
Ceromya Nepal sp. 1: Males and females from Nepal (CNC).
Ceromya Nepal sp. 3: Two males, one female from 28°00'N 85°00'E (CNC).
Ceromya Nepal sp. 4: One female from 28°00'N 85°00'E (CNC).
Ceromya Nepal sp. 5: One male, one female from Kathmandu (CNC).
Ceromya New Guinea sp. 4: Two males from se. Popondetta (BLKU).
Ceromya New Guinea sp. 5: One male each from se. Popondetta and Nabire (BLKU).
Ceromya New Guinea sp. 6: Two males from Wau (BLKU).
Ceromya New Guinea sp. 11: Two males from Mt. Kaindi (BLKU).
Ceromya New Guinea sp. 15: One male from Mt. Kaindi (BLKU).
Ceromya New Guinea sp. 18: One male each from Mt. Kaindi and se. Mt. Giluwe (BLKU).
Ceromya Peru sp. 1: One male from Quincemil, Cuzco (CNC).
Ceromya U.S. sp. 1: One male from Adair Co., Missouri (MSU).

Ceromya silacea (Meigen) species group
Figs. 35, 37, 52, 84, 112, 148, 159.

Recognition

Male genitalic features provide the only characteristics by which members of the Ceromya silacea species group (a strictly Old World taxon) can be distinguished from Ceromya s.s. species. Species of C. silacea species group are unique within the Siphonini in possessing posteriorly on the distiphallus an infolded and sclerotized structure (Fig. 112) - in other siphonines the posterior margin is sclerotized or membranous (the latter in all but a very few species), but not infolded.

Ceromya silacea is one of the species with greatest development of the infolded structure on the distiphallus. As shown in Fig. 112, this structure is extended anteriorly to near the anterior margin of the distiphallus (note too that the distiphallus is extensively membranous anteriorly and laterally in this species) and projects posteriorly from between the posterolateral margins. In some other species of this species group the infolded structure is smaller.

The pregonite of species of the C. silacea species group is long and sickle-like in most species (Fig. 84) and shorter and apically rounded in others; the membranous portion is not expanded and spinules are absent (cf. Ceromya s.s. section and Figs. 39-40, 77-83).
Description

Length: 3.0-5.5mm.

Head.— Five frontal setae in most species, three (C. silacea) or four in a very few; normal arrangement. Anterior proclinate orbital seta longer than posterior one. Eye size of male medium-large to large, 0.77-0.86 head height; size in female subequal to that of male. Flagellomere 1 of male medium-short to medium length, 0.47-0.56 head height; shape from linear to large and almost triangular, not bifid. Flagellomere 1 of female smaller than in male. Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere two 1.5-5X longer than wide. Aristomere 3 rather short to long and evenly tapered; micropubescent to pubescent. Clypeus U-shaped. Palpus short, clavate. Proboscis with prementum short, labela padlike.

Thorax (Figs. 35, 37).— Prosternum setulose. Lower proepimeral seta weak, not directed downward. Katepisternum bare anterior to mid coxa. Lower katepisternal seta much shorter than d seta. Mid tibia with one setula. Mid femur with pilose patch on anterior surface from about midlength to distal end in males of C. normula and C. varichaeta. Three or four postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with single setula. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta. Mid tibia with one ad seta. Mid femur with pilose patch on anterior surface from about midlength to distal end in males of C. normula and C. varichaeta (Fig. 35). 

Abdominal terga 1-5. — Abdomen ovoid in shape. Tg4 without median marginal setae; lateral marginal setae absent to strong. Tg3 average or with weak lateral discal setae.

Male genitalia (Figs. 52, 84, 112).— Ss with, inter (or posterior) margins of processes obtusely angled to almost transverse (Fig. 52 and Shima 1970(c, figs. 3d,e); apical lobe undifferentiated to rounded; median lobe rounded or pointed in most species, slightly flattened mediad in C. varichaeta (but not to degree found in Goniocera); without accessory lobe; processes very sparsely setulose (most species) to densely setulose (C. varichaeta). Tg3 present as pair of small lateral sclerites. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion half to subequal width of hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite in profile long and sickle-like in most species (Fig. 84), apically rounded in C. varichaeta; bare. Epiphallus absent from most species, present in C. varichaeta. Distiphallus (Fig. 112) broad in profile, with short to long posterolateral arm except in C. varichaeta, and unique infolded and sclerotized structure formed from posterior surface (large in most species, very small in C. varichaeta) which is deeply U-shaped in posterior view. Postgonite large, apically bilobed. Surstylus average length to long, straight in a few species (e.g. Shima 1970c, fig. 5b), thin and curved posteriorly in most (e.g., op. cit., fig. 5a); with long hairs along length in C. varichaeta (also found in C. languidula of Ceromya s.s.); basally fused with epandrium or free (C. varichaeta). Ceci rather short to average length, posteriorly deeply inflexed at midlength (e.g., op. cit., fig. 5b) to gently curved or almost straight (e.g., op. cit., fig. 5a); moderately to densely sense on basal half.

Female genitalia (Fig. 148).— (Only C. silacea examined.) Medium length (slightly extensible). Ss with average length hairs. Tq4 present as two lateral sclerites; enclosing spiracles of segment 6 in anterodorsal portion. Ss with anterior apodeme; without posteromedial keel. Tq5 present as two lateral sclerites; spiracles of segment 7 enclosed within anterior portion of Tq5. Ss distinctly developed, haired. Tq10 present as two distinct sclerites.

Examined female genitalia of: C. silhouette.

Taxonomic changes

Status of Ceromya similata Mesnil.— Mesnil described Ceromya similata in 1954 as a sympatric subspecies of C. varichaeta (Curran), noting that it differs from the nominal subspecies primarily in having R1 distally rather than entirely setulose dorsally. As explained elsewhere (e.g. Taxonomic changes section of Siphona (Siphona)), I do not accept the concept of sympatric subspecies; therefore, C. varichaeta similata must either be elevated to species status or declared conspecific with C. varichaeta.
I have examined the holotypes of *C. varichaeta* and *C. similata*, and a closely related species *C. normula* (the latter placed in *Peribaea* by Crosskey, 1980). *C. varichaeta* and *C. normula* are based on males which share a striking synapotypy: a pilose patch anteriorly on the mid femur (Fig. 35). The types differ little except that *R*₁ is dorsally setulose entirely in *C. varichaeta* and only distally in *C. normula*. This difference in *R*₁ setulation is very reliable as a species specific character (in contrast to the states *R*₁ distally bare or setulose), so I accept *C. varichaeta* and *C. normula* as valid species. Setulation of *R*₁ in the holotype of *C. similata* matches that of *C. normula*, not *C. varichaeta*, and might be conspecific with that species. However, the type of *C. similata* is female (thus lacking the male-linked pilose patch on mid femur), so is difficult to compare critically with the male types of the other two nominal species. Though *C. similata* has been associated with *C. varichaeta* in publications, it is more likely conspecific with *C. normula* or a valid species. I treat *C. similata* here as a valid species pending examination of additional male and female specimens of the three nominal species.

**Hosts**

Hosts have only been recorded for two species, and both belong to the Noctuidae (Table 2).

**Phylogenetics**

Adults of the *C. silacea* species group are similar to those of *Ceromya s.s.* externally, but differ in two important male genital characteristics. First, they lack spinules on the membranous anterior portion of the pregonite, which are present in most *Ceromya s.s.* species and are interpreted as synapotypic of that group. Second, they have a uniquely infolded posterior margin on the distiphallus (Fig. 112), which is interpreted as synapotypic of the *C. silacea* species group (monophyly of *Ceromya s.l.* discussed in Evolution chapter).

In *C. silacea*, *C. mellini*, Australia sp. 4 and Nepal sp. 2, the infolded region of the distiphallus is very large (Fig. 112). In *C. varichaeta* the infolded region is small and nearer the apex, and perhaps represents a more primitive condition. The male genitalia of the other species placed in this group were not examined, but these species are thought to belong here because they appear very similar externally to certain well established members of this group. These species should be removed from the *C. silacea* group if they are found to lack the synapotypy (of the distiphallus) of this group.

The labrum is hook-like in the first instar of *C. silacea* (Fig. 159) and hatchet-like or intermediate in other examined *Ceromya s.l.* species (see O’Hara in press “a”). It remains to be determined whether this feature is another synapotypy of the *C. silacea* species group.
Geographic distribution

The eight described species of the *Ceromya silacea* species group are exclusively Old World in distribution. The centre of diversity is the Old World tropics (see Crosskey 1976a and 1980 for ranges of Oriental and Afrotropical species; none described from Australia), with only three species recorded from the Palearctic region: *C. dorsigera* (described from Switzerland and recorded from Japan by Shima 1970c), *C. silacea* (widespread, with records from England (Crosskey 1976b), Eurasia (Mesnil 1963a, Shima 1970c, Richter 1971, 1976b, 1980, Draber-Motko 1981), and southern India (examined specimens from CNC)), and *C. pendleburyi* (SE Asia and Japan, Mesnil 1963a and Shima 1970c). The three Palearctic species are keyed in Shima (1970c). In addition to the described species I have seen specimens of a new species from Nepal (Nepal sp. 2) and another from Australia (Australia sp. 4) [numbers used here for new species refer to *Ceromya s.l.*].

List of described species included in the *Ceromya silacea* species group


O,P *silacea* (Meigen), 1824: 355 (*Tachina*). Holotype male, no locality data (MNHN).


List of examined, undescribed, species included in the *Ceromya silacea* species group

*Ceromya* Australia sp. 4: One male, one female from Queensland (DPI).

*Ceromya* Nepal sp. 2: Males from 28°00'N 82°00'E (CNC).
Genus Actia Robineau-Desvoidy


Thryptocera. Variant spelling of Thryptocera.

Gymnopareia Brauer and Bergenstamm, 1889: 103 (35). Type-species, Tachina crassicornis Meigen, 1824 (monotypy).

Gymnoparia. Variant spelling of Gymnopareia.

Actiopsis Townsend, 1917: 121. Type-species, A. autumnalis Townsend, 1917 (original designation).
Setasiphona Townsend, 1934: 248. Type-species, Actia siphonosoma Malloch, 1930 (original designation).

Recognition

Actia is a diverse genus of cosmopolitan distribution. With few exceptions, members are recognized externally by the presence of a row of hairs on the katepisternum anterior to the mid coxa (cf. Figs. 33 and 34). Among other siphonines, only the European species Enomophaga exoleta shares this state, and is distinguished from Actia by its elongate aristomere 1 (Fig. 4), long preapical ad seta on fore tibia, and features of the male genitalia (especially sternum 5 - cf. Figs. 50 and 58-59). Five Actia species, A. completa and A. magnicornis from Malaysia and A. parviseta, A. nr. parviseta and Australia sp. 5 from eastern Australia, either lack this row of katepisternal hairs or the number of hairs is reduced. These species have two setulae on the upper portion of the anepisternum (see below), and males are additionally recognized as members of Actia by their V-shaped sternum 5 (similar to Figs. 58-59) and spined pregonite (similar to Figs. 85-86).

The upper portion of the anepisternum has two setulae in almost all Actia species (Fig. 31; one setula in most other siphonines, Fig. 32). Two setulae are present in a few Peribaea species and a few species in different Siphona s.l. lineages, but this state seems to be restricted to Actia among siphonines in which the anal vein does not extend to the wing margin (Table 1).

Three Actia species, A. completa and A. fulvicauda from Malaysia and A. chrysocera from the Seychelles Islands, are the only known siphonines other than Peribaea and Siphona s.l. species to have the anal vein extended to the wing margin. A. fulvicauda and A. chrysocera possess a row of katepisternal hairs as in most other Actia species, but A. completa has an incomplete row. A. completa is recognized as an Actia species by its V-shaped sternum 5, spined pregonite and two anepisternal setae (as mentioned above).

Males of most Actia species have a more or less V-shaped sternum 5, with little or no constriction of the median lobes above the median cleft (Figs. 58-59). Sternum 5 departs slightly from this shape in a few species, but even in these it more closely resembles the sternum 5 of other Actia species than non- congenic siphonines.
The only feature apparently universal among (and unique to) *Actia* species is a J-shaped, spinose pregonite (Figs. 41-42 and 85-86). All examined male genitalia of *Actia* species were of this type, including species mentioned above as having atypical external features.

**Description**

Length: 2.5-6.0mm.

*Head* (Figs. 8-10).— Five frontal setae (rarely four), normal arrangement. Anterior proclinate orbital seta longer than posterior one in almost all species. Eye of male small to large, 0.65-0.89 head height; eye of female subequal to or slightly smaller than in male. Flagellomere 1 of male markedly varied in length, 0.43-0.75 head height; linear to broad; bifid in only one known species, *A. sosumatsuoi* (Shima 1970b, fig. 1). Flagellomere 1 of female smaller than in male or subequal in size; not bifid. Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere 0.43-0.75 head height; linear to broad; bifid in only one known species, male subequal to or slightly smaller than in male. Flagellomere 1 of male markedly varied in length, seta longer than posterior one in almost all species. Eye of male small to large, 0.65-0.89 head height; eye of female subequal to or slightly smaller than in male. Length: 2.5-6.0mm.

*Description* (Figs. 21, 23, 29, 31, 33).— Prosternum setulose in almost all species (apparently bare only in *A. nigra*). Lower proepimeral seta weak or absent. Most species with row of hairs on katepisternum directly anterior to mid coxa extended upward almost to lower katepisternal seta (Fig. 33); several hairs in lower corner only (i.e. groundplan condition of Siphonini) in *A. parviseta* and *A. nr. parviseta*, and several hairs in lower corner to row extended halfway to lower katepisternal in *A. completa*, *A. magnicornis* and Australia sp. 5. Lower katepisternal seta shorter (in most species much shorter) than upper anterior seta (Fig. 31). Four poststernal dorsocentral setae in most species, three in a few. Upper part of anepisternum with two setae in most species (Fig. 31), with single setula in a very few. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta in most species, ranging to about 0.75 length of d seta in a few species (known in *A. infantula*, *A. lamia* and *A. nigriventris*), and subequal to d seta in a few species (known in *A. eucosmae*, *A. nigronventris*, *A. parviseta*, and several undescribed Australian species). Mid tibia with one ad seta in almost all species (markedly reduced or absent from *A. eucosmae*, *A. parviseta*, *A. perdita* and Australia sp. 3). Tarsomeres normal in size, or tarsomere 5 of fore leg broadened (known only in female of *A. tarsata*, though slightly larger than average in females of a few other species), tarsomere 5 of all legs slightly enlarged in female of *A. nigronventris*; claws short. Wing (Fig. 21) with vein M complete in most species, slightly developed or absent after bend in some (e.g. *A. eucosmae*, *A. exsecta*, *A. lamia*, *A. munroi*, *A. nigronventris*, *A. perdita*, *A. pales*, *A. rufescens* and *A. tokanoe*); vein CuA1 with distal portion 0.25-1.5X length of proximal portion (in most species short, 0.3-0.7; mean 0.56); anal vein not extended to wing margin, except in *A. completa*, *A. fulvicauda* and faintly in *A. chysocera*. Wing setulae: R1 dorsally bare, or distally or entirely setulose, ventrally bare or distally setulose; R8+9 setulose from base to or beyond r-m; CuA1 bare or setulose; unusual patterns in a few species with additional veins setulose: *A. ciligera* (R2+3, R4+5 and M setulose dorsally and ventrally) *A. fallax* (M setulose ventrally) and *A. gratiosa* (Sc setulose dorsally).

*Abdominal terga* 1-5.— Abdomens ovoid in shape in most species, slightly elongate in a very few. T1+2 without median marginal setae; lateral marginal setae absent from most species, strong in a few. T3-5 average in most species, with weak lateral discal setae in a few (particularly among species in Holarctic region). *Male genitalia* (Figs. 41-42, 58-59, 85-86, 117-119).— S5 little varied, processes elongate, rounded or pointed posteriorly, inner margins approximately V-shaped in most species (Fig. 58), obtusely angled in a very few (Fig. 59; rarely as much as in other siphonines); median lobe undifferentiated (Fig. 58) or scarcely differentiated (Fig. 59); median cleft scarcely constricted posteriorly by median lobes in most species (Fig. 58), distinctly constricted by rounded (Fig. 59) to elongate median lobes in a few; processes moderately setulose with several pair of large setae. T8 slightly sclerotized, generally continuous dorsally. Ejaculatory
apodeme varied from small to very large (0.5-2.0X width of hypandrial apodeme), in most species width of fan-shaped portion subequal to width of hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite (Figs. 85-86) broad subapically and approximately J-shaped, outer surface short spinose on apical half or less; asetose. Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus (Figs. 117-119) with posterior margin partially developed in some species, absent from others; not laterally broadened as in Peribaea species; in profile from broad and truncate apically to very narrow and sharply pointed apically (Fig. 119), with numerous forms between. Postgonite in most species apically broad, rounded or truncate, in a few species narrow or intermediate in width. Surstylus short to long, shape varied relatively little, narrow or broad in a few species, intermediate in most; medium to long hairs basally in some species of an Old World group; basally free from epandrium. Cerci varied little, short to average length, sharply inflexed at midlength in some species, smoothly curved posteriorly in most; moderately setose on basal half.


Female genitalia (Figs. 151-152).—Short and markedly uniform and unspecialized, with only minor differences among species. S6 with average length hairs. Spiracles of segment 6 enclosed in T6; in some species T6 forming a broad sclerite narrowly discontinuous dorsally, in others represented by two small lateral sclerites, in a few species unsclerotized. S5 without anterior apodeme except for short projection in A. crassicornis (Andersen 1983, fig. 12); without posteromedial keel. T7 absent or present only as two small lateral sclerites; spiracles of segment 7 in membrane between segments 6 and 7. S8 distinctly developed, haired, with lateral edges curved inward. T10 distinctly developed as median sclerite, in most species subequal in size to S8.

Examined female genitalia of: A. diffidens, A. interrupta, A. lamia, A. malaisei, A. nr. parviseta, Australia sp. 1, New World spp. 4-5 and Zaire sp. 1. Examined published figures of: A. crassicornis and A. lamia (both in Andersen 1983, figs. 11, 12).

**Taxonomic changes**

**Synonymy of Actia brevis Malloch with Actia darwini Malloch.**—The male holotypes of these nominal species were examined and compared. They differ primarily in abdominal coloration and setulation of vein CuA1, but these characteristics vary within some species and the degree of difference present here is not unusual among conspecifics. I also examined other specimens from several localities in eastern Australia, and these exhibit states intermediate between those in the A. brevis and A. darwini types. I conclude that these types belong to the same species, and here synonymize Actia brevis Malloch (1930a) with Actia darwini Malloch (1929b).

**Actia parviseta Malloch** (Fig. 10).—Malloch described this species in 1930 and placed it in his widely defined Actia. Later Crosskey (1966: 109) shifted it to Ceromya, presumably because it lacks a row of hairs on the katepisternum anterior to the mid coxa - a characteristic usually diagnostic for Actia. Dissection of the male genitalia of the type revealed that they possess two Actia synapomorphies: a V-shaped S5 and spinose pregonite. Furthermore, the female reproductive system of a specimen of a closely related species (A. nr. parviseta) was examined and contained first instars of the Actia type (i.e. dorsal cornu lacking from the cephalopharyngeal skeleton; Fig. 160 and O’Hara in press “a”). It thus appears that Actia parviseta and a few other species (A. completa, A. magnicornis, A. nr.

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parviseta and Australia sp. 5) have a bare or sparsely haired katepistemum anterior to the mid coxa, while still possessing all other known synapomorphies of Actia.

Hosts

The hosts of Actia are better known than those of other siphonines, with records for about 20 Actia species (Table 2). Hosts belong predominantly to the Tortricidae, but a variety of other Microlepidoptera and a number of Macrolepidoptera are also parasitized. Host larvae vary in habit from small leaf miners and rollers to large, bare to hairy caterpillars which feed openly on vegetation. There is one record of an Actia species parasitic on a pyrrhocorid bug, Dysdercus sp. This record is doubtful, as Hemiptera are almost exclusively parasitized by phasiines among the Tachinidae.

Phylogenetics

A row of hairs on the katepistemum anterior to the mid coxa has long been considered a diagnostic feature of Actia. It is now apparent that several species belonging to the Actia lineage lack this row of hairs (see Recognition and Description sections). The relationships of these species to other Actia species is unknown, so the absence of a row of katepisternal hairs from these species cannot be positively polarized as primitive or derived. If derived, then these species must be descended from ancestors possessing a row of katepisternal hairs, and I consider this explanation the more reasonable at this time. This explanation is hypothesized because: 1) no other character states support the primitive position of these species within Actia, and 2) several of these species have a variable number of katepisternal hairs, ranging from a few to a nearly complete row; the varied extent of this row is more parsimoniously interpreted as a reversal from a complete to incomplete row rather than as an independent gain from an incomplete to complete row. Thus a row of hairs on the katepistemum is here considered a synapotypy of Actia species, with absence of this row in several Actia species interpreted as resulting from reversal(s) from the apotypic state.

Almost all Actia species have two setulae on the upper portion of the anepisternum (Fig. 31). Most other siphonines have one (Fig. 32), though two are present in a few species of Peribaea and a few species of most supraspecific taxa of Siphona s.l. (Table 1). This distribution suggests that two anepisternal setulae is the derived state within the tribe, though its many independent acquisitions weaken its value as a synapotypy of Actia.

Several species of Actia have the anal vein extended to the wing margin (see Recognition and Description sections), but possess the derived genitalic states of Actia, and all but one of these (A. completa) have a katepisternal row of hairs. Extension of the anal vein to the wing margin probably arose independently in Actia and the Peribaea-Siphona s.l. lineage.

Sternum 5 is approximately V-shaped in most Actia species, and derivable from that shape in the others. The pregonite is J-shaped and spinose, and these states
appear to be universal among Actia species. It is hypothesized that these characteristics of the male sternum 5 and pregonite are synapotypies of Actia (the spinose pregonite proposed as an Actia synapotypy by Andersen 1983), and in combination are better diagnostic features of the genus than the row of katepisternal hairs discussed above and previously used to define the genus.

Another possible synapotypy of Actia species is lack of a dorsal cornu from the cephalopharyngeal skeleton of first instars (Fig. 160). First instars of all nine examined Actia species share this state, though the illustration of Actia dubitata by Farinets (1980) seems to indicate that a distinct dorsal cornu is present in that species (O’Hara in press “a”). Lack of a dorsal cornu is therefore either a synapotypy of Actia or a derived subgroup of Actia.

Previous placement of Entomophaga exoleta in Actia is discussed in the Phylogenetics section of Entomophaga Lioy.

**Geographic distribution**

Compared to 56 described species in the Old World, the Actia fauna of the New World (four described species in the Nearctic region and one in the Neotropical region) at first seems but a minor component of the world fauna. However, this paucity of described Actia species gives a false impression of the true diversity of this genus in the New World. I have examined specimens of several new Nearctic Actia species, and from relatively meagre collections of Neotropical Actia, have recognized close to 20 undescribed species.

The Actia fauna of the Old World is much better known than its New World counterpart, though undescribed species undoubtedly live in all regions, particularly the Australian. Distributions are listed in Crosskey (1973, 1976a, 1980) for species of Australia and the Oriental and Afrotropical regions, respectively. There are no adequate keys to aid in the identification of the numerous species of these three regions except for Dear and Crosskey’s (1982) key to Philippine species. Malloch’s (1930b) key to the Oriental species is long outdated and Mesnil’s (1954) key to Actia (as Entomophaga) species of the upper Congo area only includes about half of the described Afrotropical species.

Palearctic Actia are the best studied: most European species can be identified using Mesnil’s keys (1963a, 1975: 1399), though species described later by Shima (1970c) and Richter (1974, 1976a, 1980) from Japan and central Asia must be identified from descriptions. Known distributions of several Palearctic Actia species have been extended beyond Europe to Israel by Kugler (1979) and to central or eastern Asia by Herting (1968b, 1973), Richter (1971, 1975, 1976a,b, 1980, 1981, 1986) and Richter and Khitsova (1982). The ranges of all 13 Palearctic species are summarized in Herting (1984) and Norwegian Actia are listed in Rognes (1986).
List of described species included in *Actia*


N *autumnalis* (Townsend), 1917: 122 (*Actiopsis*). Holotype female, USA: Maryland, Grove Hill (USNM). Holotype examined.


P *crassicornis* (Meigen), 1824: 351 (*Tachina*). Holotype male, no locality data (MNHN).

   syn. *bicolor* (Macquart), 1834: 312 (*Thryptocera*). Type, France: Lille (lost).— Herting, 1976: 3.


N *diffidens* Curran, 1933a: 5. Holotype male, Canada: Nova Scotia, Kentville (CNC). Holotype examined.

not located, possibly lost). Paratype examined.

**U** *eucosmae* Bezzi, 1926: 239. Holotype female, Australia: Queensland, Milton Farm (published as "Brisbane") (BMNH). Holotype examined.

**A** *exsecta* Villeneuve, 1936: 416. Two male syntypes, Uganda: Kampala (1 in BMNH). Syntype examined.


**A** *gratiosa* (Mesnil), 1954: 34 (*Entomophaga*). Holotype male, Zaire: L. Kivu (MRAC). Holotype examined.

**A** *hargreavesi* Curran, 1933c: 160. Holotype female (head missing), Uganda: Kampala (BMNH). Holotype examined.


**P** *infantula* (Zetterstedt), 1844: 1047 (*Tachina*). Six syntypes, Sweden: Skåne (UZI).


*aristalis* (Rondani), 1865: 194 (*Thryptocera*). Two syntypes, Italy: Appennines (MZF).— Herting, 1969a: 190.


*villeneuei*. Incorrect subsequent spelling of *villeneuvi* Strobl (Mesnil, 1963a: 817).


*frontalis* (Macquart), 1845: 289 (*Thryptocera*). Replacement name for *A. pilipennis* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 (objective synonym).


*vitripennis* Rondani, 1859: 19. Replacement name for *A. pilipennis* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 (objective synonym).

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lamina. Incorrect subsequent spelling of lamia Meigen (Schiner, 1862: 518).


O malaisei (Mesnil), 1953: 110 (Crocuta (Siphona)). Holotype male, Burma: Kambaiti (ZMU). Holotype examined.


P nudibasis Stein, 1924: 135. Four syntypes, German Democratic Republic: Crimmitschau (ZMHU).

syn. ? resinellae (Schrank), 1781: 478 (Musca). Type(s), Austria (lost).—Mesnil, 1963a: 825.

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O \textit{pellex} (Mesnil), 1953: 111 (\textit{Crocuta (Siphona)}). Holotype female, Burma: Kambaiti (ZMU). Holotype examined.

O \textit{perdita} Malloch, 1930c: 333. Holotype male (head lost), Malaysia: Malaya, Selangor (BMNH). Holotype examined.

O \textit{philippinensis} Malloch, 1930b: 134. Holotype female (head and abdomen lost), Philippines: Luzon, Benguet (USNM). Holotype examined.

A \textit{picinalpis} (Mesnil), 1954: 33 (\textit{Entomophaga}). Holotype female (not male), Zaire: Rutshuru (MRAC). Holotype examined.

P \textit{pilipennis} (Fallén), 1810: 273 (\textit{Tachina}). Lectotype male (by designation of Crosskey, 1974: 302), Sweden (NRS).


\textit{flavisquamis} (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1851: 181 (\textit{Thryptocera}). Syntypes, France (MNHN).—Herting, 1974: 19.

\textit{humeralis} (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1851: 183 (\textit{Thryptocera}). Holotype female, France (lost).—Herting, 1984: 123.


\textit{nigrifrons} (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1863: 714 (\textit{Thryptocera}). Holotype male, France (MNHN).—Herting, 1974: 19.

\textit{bigoti} (Millière), 1864: 385 (\textit{Morinia}). Type(s), France (lost).—Herting, 1984: 123.

\textit{reducta} Villeneuve, 1920: 66 (as variety of \textit{A. pilipennis} (Fallén), though Villeneuve's description of \textit{A. pilipennis} actually refers to \textit{A. nudibasis} (Herting, in litt.)). Type(s), no locality given (not located).


A \textit{rubiginosa} (Mesnil), 1954: 35 (\textit{Entomophaga}). Holotype male, Zaire: Mokoto (MRAC). Holotype examined.

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Nomen dubium

P  rubrifrons (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1830: 87 (Ceromya). Type(s), France (lost).—see Herting, 1974: 18.

Nomina nuda

N  labellata Kamran, 1980: 52.

N  pauciseta Kamran, 1980: 52.

List of examined, undescribed, species included in Actia

Actia nr. parviseta: One female from SE Queensland, Australia (DPI).

Actia Australia sp. 1 (= A. darwinii?): Males and females from Queensland (DPI).

Actia Australia sp. 2: One male from Mt. Lewis, Queensland (DPI).

Actia Australia sp. 3: One male, one female from Rockhampton, Queensland (DPI).

Actia Australia sp. 4: Two males, one female from Mt. Tamborine, Queensland (DPI).

Actia Australia sp. 5: Males and females from Queensland (CNC, DPI).

Actia Jamaica sp. 1: Males and females from St. Catherine (USNM).

Actia Liberia sp. 1: One male from Liberia (USNM).

Actia Mexico sp. 1: One male from San Cristobal, Chiapas (CNC).

Actia Nepal sp. 1: Males from Nepal (CNC).

Actia Nepal sp. 2: One male from Kathmandu (CNC).

Actia New World spp. 1-19: These species are presently under revision by O’Hara and Shima.

Actia Uganda sp. 1: One male from Ankole (USNM).
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Figs. 11-12, 27, 60-61, 87-88, 120-121, 139, 153-156, 161.


*Talaractia* Malloch, 1930a: 305 (as subgenus of *Actia*). Type-species, *Actia (Talaractia) baldwini* Malloch, 1930 (original designation).


**Recognition**

Species of the genus *Peribaea* are widely distributed throughout the Old World, and are easily recognized among siphonines by their possession of a strong, downwardly directed, proepimeral seta (Fig. 27). Species of *Chaetostigmoptera* Townsend and the *Neaerini*, and several other tachinids, also have a distinctly developed, downwardly directed, proepimeral seta (varied from weak to strong), though other differences indicate that this similarity is due to convergence. Together, *Peribaea* and *Siphona s.l.* are distinguishable from all but a very few other siphonines (and almost all other tachinids) by having the anal vein extended to the wing margin.

**Description**

Length: 2.5-5.0mm.

*Head* (Figs. 11-12).— Five frontal setae, normal arrangement. Anterior proclinate orbital seta longer than posterior one in most species. Eye of male and female subequal in size, medium to large, 0.73-0.86 head height; size in female subequal to that of male. Flagellomere 1 of male markedly varied in length, 0.39-0.75 head height; shape from linear or broad to bifid (e.g. figs. 3a, 4a and 5a in Shima 1970a), trifid (P. *jepsoni* and P. * trifurcata*; e.g. fig. 2a, op. cit.), or pectinate (P. *baldwini*, P. *cervina* and *P. pectinata*; Fig. 11 and fig. 1a, op. cit.). Flagellomere 1 of female simple, not bifid. Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere two 1.5-12X longer than wide (2-4X in most species). Aristomere 3 long and evenly tapered in most species, short and thickened to near tip in a few; almost bare to short plumose, in most species micropubescent. Clypeus U-shaped in most species, only slightly broadened in a few. Palpus short, clavate. Proboscis with prementum short to medium (not elongate), labella padlike.

*Thorax* (Fig. 27).— Prosternum setulose. Lower proepimeral seta strong and directed downward (Fig. 27). Katepisternum bare anterior to mid coxa. Lower katepisternal seta slightly shorter than or subequal in length to upper anterior seta in most species, slightly longer in a very few. Four poststernal dorsocentral setae (apparently never three). Upper part of anepisternum with single setula. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta. Mid tibia with one ad seta. Tarsomeres normal in size, or tarsomere 5 of fore leg elongate and broadened (only known in female of *P. lobata*); claws short in most species, medium in a very few. Wing: *CuA* 1 with distal portion 0.63-1.3X length of proximal portion (mean 0.84); anal vein extended to wing margin. Wing setulae: R 1 dorsally bare, or distally or entirely setulose, ventrally bare or distally setulose; R 2+3 bare except setulose dorsally and ventrally in *P. modesta*; R 4+5 setulose from base to beyond r-m; R 5 bare in almost all species (a few sparsely setulose).

*Abdominal terga 1-5.*— Abdomen ovoid in most species, markedly elongate in a few, and very elongate in *P. ugandana.*

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without median marginal setae; lateral marginal setae absent from most species, strong in a few. $T_7$- $T_9$ average in most species, with extra pair of lateral marginal setae on $T_8$ in a few, weak lateral discal setae on $T_4$, $T_5$ in $P$. discicornis.

Male genitalia (Figs. 60-61, 87-88, 120-121, 139)._—$S_5$ markedly varied, inner (or posterior) margins of processes obtusely angled (Fig. 60) to almost transverse in most species, in a very few species V-shaped (Fig. 61; resembling typical Actia shape except median cleft more distinct); apical lobe undifferentiated to slightly differentiated; median lobe slightly to broadly rounded in most species, rather elongate and/or flattened medially or postero-medially in a few; processes moderately setulose, with three to six pair of large setae on $T_3$ in a few, weak lateral discal setae on $T_4$ in $P$. discicornis.

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Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion wider than hypandrial apodeme in most species, subequal in width in a very few; some species with weak ring-like sclerotized sheath basally (e.g. $P.$ apicalis). Pregonite (Figs. 87-88) in profile approximately C-shaped, broad at mid length; bare. Epiphallus present or absent, where present generally narrow. Distiphallus (Figs. 120-121) large, posterior margin complete, variously incised laterally, distinctly broader than long in ventral view. Postgonite apically rounded, pointed, or turned outward. Sturnyus (Fig. 139) average length to long, broad in a few species, straight to curved posteriorly; basally free from epandrium in most species (Fig. 139), fused with epandrium in a few (e.g. $P$. trifurcata); apically enlarged in some species, greatly swollen in a few, in one (undescribed) species from Australia subapically with small medially-directed lobe. Cerci short in most species (Fig. 139), average length in a few, in profile straight along posterior margin or smoothly curved at midlength; moderately setose on basal half.


Female genitalia (Figs. 153-156)._—Varied from short and unmodified (Fig. 153) to extremely elongate (Figs. 155-156). $S_6$ bare or with very short hairs; in primitive forms $S_7$ and $S_8$ flat and wider than long, in derived forms both sterna slightly to sharply keeled medially and pointed posteriorly in most species, in very specialized forms both sterna elongate and tip of $S_6$ extended over cerci, with intersegmental membrane similarly elongate (Figs. 155-156); $S_7$ without anterior apodeme. $T_8$ present and lateral sclerities in unmodified forms, fused with $S_6$ in some derived forms with $S_7$ elongate (Figs. 154-156); enclosing spiracles of segment 6. $S_7$ without anterior apodeme. $T_{10}$ present as lateral sclerites in unmodified forms, fused with $S_6$ in some derived forms with $S_7$ elongate (Figs. 154-156); enclosing spiracles of segment 7. $S_8$ bare, absent (particularly in elongate forms) to average-sized, flat sclerite. $T_{10}$ absent from some species, present as a small to medium median sclerite in others.

Examined female genitalia of: $P$. fissicornis, $P$. tibialis, $P$. ugandana, Africa spp. 2-5 and Australia spp. 1.3. Examined published figures of: $P$. alternata, $P$. orbata (both in Shima 1981, fig. 2) and $P$. tibialis (Andersen 1983, fig. 4).

Taxonomic changes

Identity of $Tachina orbata$ Wiedemann._—The type of $Tachina orbata$ Wiedemann (1830: 336) is lost. Crosskey (1967) designated a neotype for this species, believing $T$. orbata to be a widespread Old World species of $Peribaea$. According to Mesnil (in litt.), the original description of $T$. orbata refers to a neacrine. If one were to accept this opinion and invalidate Crosskey’s neotype (on the basis of an incorrect neotype designation), then $P$. aegyptia would become the valid name for this $Peribaea$ species. However, in the interests of nomenclatural stability, Crosskey and Shima plan to submit a proposal to the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature requesting that Crosskey’s (1967) neotype be retained for the name $Tachina orbata$ Wiedemann (Crosskey in litt.). Current usage of orbata as a valid species of $Peribaea$ is followed herein.
Status of *Peribaea subaequalis* (Malloch).— Malloch described *P. monticola*, *P. rotundipennis* and *P. subaequalis* from specimens collected in the Cuernos Mts. on Negros Island in the Philippines. The first two names were synonymized with *P. orbata* by Crosskey (1966: 107), while the third has continued to be cited as valid (Crosskey, 1976: 214). I examined all three of Malloch’s types along with specimens of *P. orbata*, and found no substantial difference among them. Unfortunately, Malloch’s type specimens are not ideal for comparison because all three lack heads, and two are females while the third is a male. Nevertheless, the fact that Malloch’s types were collected from the same locality (dates unknown) and are similar to one another and to specimens of *P. orbata* in such important characteristics as wing vein setulation and abdominal coloration strongly suggests that they are all conspecific. (Even Malloch stated that his specimens “may ultimately prove to be mere variations within a single species” (1930b: 142).) The one difference, anal vein not extended to wing margin in the type of *P. subaequalis*, is very rare in *Peribaea* and not typical of any known species, so probably represents an aberration in this specimen (even the paratypes of *P. subaequalis* have the anal vein reaching wing margin). For all these reasons I feel confident in adding *P. subaequalis* to the list of synonyms of the widespread species *P. orbata*.

Hosts

Hosts of *Peribaea* species belong to several families of Microlepidoptera and Macrolepidoptera (Table 2). The most commonly parasitized group is the Noctuoidea, accounting for half the total records.

Adult females of *Peribaea* species are thought to larviposit directly on their hosts (Herting 1957). Presumably the elongate ovipositor of some *Peribaea* species is an adaptation to this behavior.

Phylogenetics

The monophyly of *Peribaea* is well established (Andersen 1983: 10). Adults possess externally a strong, downwardly directed, proepimeral seta (Fig. 27). This state is unique to *Peribaea* among siphonines, though is convergently, and often more weakly, developed in species of Chaetostigmoptera Townsend and the Neaerini, and several other tachinids. The distiphallus is varied in shape among *Peribaea* species, though its sclerotized posterior surface is a shared characteristic and is hypothesized as a synapotypy; the partially unsclerotized posterior surface in all but a very few other (unrelated) siphonines (see Table 1) is interpreted as plesiotypic. Sternum 8 in the female genitalia is bare in all examined *Peribaea* species, though several derived species lack this sclerite entirely (Figs. 154-156). A bare, unsclerotized sternum 8 is considered synapotypic of the genus, and absence of sternum 8 is interpreted as a more derived condition (sternum 8 convergently lost in a few other siphonines; see Table 1).
First instars of *Peribaea* species are characterized by an apically narrowed or hook-like labrum (Fig. 161; also see O’Hara in press “a”). A hatchet-like labrum characterizes more primitive siphonines (with the known exception of *Ceromya silacea*, Fig. 159), so the shape of the labrum in *Peribaea* species is interpreted as derived.

**Geographic distribution**

Forty-five described species are recognized in *Peribaea*, all are restricted to the Old World. Greatest diversity, accounting for almost half the described species, is recorded from the Afrotropical region (particularly the upper Congo area, as a result of Mesnil’s work on the siphonines of that area; distributions in Crosskey 1980). More modest diversity is found in the three other Old World regions. Oriental species are listed in Crosskey (1976a; Philippine species keyed in Dear and Crosskey 1982) and Australian species in Crosskey (1973) and Shima (1970a, with key to Papuan species; 1981). Most Palearctic *Peribaea* species are redescribed and keyed in Mesnil (1963a; also key to separate *P. apicalis* and *P. tibialis* in Herting 1968a). Other records for Palearctic species are given in Mesnil and Pschorn-Walcher (1968), Herting (1968b, 1969b), Crosskey (1976b), Kugler (1979), Karczewski (1983), Mihalyi and Weinberg (1984), Richter (1971, 1975, 1976a, 1980, 1981, 1986) and Rognes (1986), and summarized in Herting (1984).

I suspect that the preponderance of described species in the Afrotropical region accurately reflects the true pattern of *Peribaea* diversity. Presence of ten species in the Australian region (including one on the Solomon Islands), seven species on Madagascar (Mesnil 1977a) and one each on Mauritius and Seychelles Islands, indicates that the dispersal power of some members of this genus are as great as in other siphonine genera that are distributed worldwide. It is therefore puzzling that *Peribaea* has not reached the New World. Hosts do not seem to be the limiting factor, as many host genera are Holarctic or cosmopolitan in distribution.

**List of described species included in *Peribaea***


**P** *apicalis* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1863: 721. Holotype male (head and abdomen lost), France: Saint Sauveur (MNHN).

**U** *argentifrons* (Malloch), 1930a: 309 (*Actia*). Holotype male, Australia: New South Wales, Sydney (SPHTM). Holotype examined.

**syn.** *angustifrons*. Incorrect subsequent spelling of *argentifrons* Malloch (Hardy, 1959: 213).
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U baldwini (Malloch), 1930a: 306 (Actia (Talaractia)). Holotype male, Australia: Queensland, Palm Is. (SPHTM). Holotype examined.


P fissicornis (Strobl), 1910: 139 (Thryptocera). Holotype male (not female), Austria: “Styria” (NMBA).


U illugiana (Shima), 1970a: 265 (Strobliomyia). Holotype male, New Britain: Gazelle Peninsula, Illugi (BPBM).

O insularia (Shima), 1970c: 179 (Strobliomyia). Holotype male, Japan: Ryukyu Islands, Amami Is., Tokunoshima (BLKU).

A jepsoni (Villeneuve), 1937: 2 (Strobliomyia). Holotype male, Mauritius (CNC). Holotype examined.


O malayana (Malloch), 1935: 678 (Actia). Holotype male (abdomen lost), Malaysia: Malaya, Selangor (BMNH). Holotype examined.


syn. aegyptia (Villeneuve), 1912: 508 (Gymnopareia (Actia)). Lectotype

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orientalis (Townsend), 1926a: 35 (Eogymnophthalma). Lectotype
male (by fixation of Townsend, 1940: 213), Indonesia: Sumatra, Fort

nigripes (Curran), 1927c: 6 (Actia). Holotype male, Zaire: Boma

orientalis (Townsend), 1926a: 35 (Eogymnophthalma). Lectotype
male (by fixation of Townsend, 1940: 213), Indonesia: Sumatra, Fort

nigritula (Malloch), 1930a: 309 (Actia). Holotype female, Australia:
Queensland, Cairns (SPHTM).— Crosskey, 1966: 107. Holotype
examined.

subaequalis (Malloch), 1930b: 142 (Actia). Holotype male (head
lost), Philippines: Negros, Cuernos Mtns. (USNM). Holotype
examined. New synonymy.

monticola (Malloch), 1930b: 143 (Actia). Holotype male (head
lost), Philippines: Negros, Cuernos Mtns. (USNM).— Crosskey,

rotundipennis (Malloch), 1930b: 143 (Actia). Holotype female (head
lost), Philippines: Negros, Cuernos Mtns. (USNM).— Crosskey,

sororcula (Mesnil), 1954: 16 (Strobliomyia). Holotype female, Zaire:

P palaestina (Villeneuve), 1934: 57 (Actia). Holotype female, Israel: Rehoboth
(SMNS). Holotype examined.

syn. alipes (Villeneuve), 1942b: 134 (Actia). Holotype female, Egypt:

U pectinata (Shima), 1970a: 261 (Strobliomyia). Holotype male, New Britain:
Gazelle Penn., Illugi (BPBM).

U plebeia (Malloch), 1930a: 310 (Actia). Holotype male, Australia: New South
Wales, Coramba (SPHTM). Holotype examined.

syn. plebia. Incorrect subsequent spelling of plebeia Malloch (Hardy,
1959: 213).


A repanda (Mesnil), 1954: 16 (Strobliomyia). Holotype male, Zaire: nr. Rwindi,
Ndeko (MRAC). Holotype examined.


U sedlaceki (Shima), 1970a: 267 (Strobliomyia). Holotype male, New Guinea:
Popondetta (BPBM).

O setinervis (Thomson), 1869: 519 (Thryptocera). Holotype female, China
(NRS).

O.P similata (Malloch), 1930b: 137 (Actia). Holotype male, Malaysia: Malaya,
Selangor (BMNH). Holotype examined.

A spoliata (Bezzi), 1923a: 95 (Actia). One male and 1 female syntype, Seychelles
Islands (BMNH). Syntypes examined.


**P,A** _tibialis_ (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1851: 185 (Herbstia). Holotype male, France: Saint Sauveur (lost).


**A** _timida_ (Mesnil), 1954: 18 (Strobliomyia). Holotype male, Zaire: Rutshuru (MRAC). Holotype examined.


**A** _ugandana_ (Curran), 1933c: 161 (Actia). Holotype male, Uganda: Kampala (BMNH). Holotype examined.

**O** _uniseta_ (Malloch), 1930b: 129 (Actia). Holotype male (head lost), Malaysia: Malaya, Selangor (BMNH). Holotype examined.

**P** _ussuriensis_ (Mesnil), 1963a: 807 (as subspecies of Strobliomyia hyalinata (Malloch)). Holotype male, USSR: Ussuri, Sučan (ZIL). Holotype examined.

**A** _vidua_ (Mesnil), 1954: 15 (Strobliomyia). Holotype male, Zaire: Rutshuru (MRAC). Holotype examined.

**List of examined, undescribed, species included in Peribaea**

*Peribaea* Africa sp. 1: Two males from Ngong, Kenya (USNM).

*Peribaea* Africa sp. 2: One male and one female from Ankole, Uganda (USNM).

*Peribaea* Africa sp. 3: One male and one female from Archer’s Post, Kenya (CAS).

*Peribaea* Africa sp. 4: Males and females from Natal, South Africa (USNM).

*Peribaea* Africa sp. 5: One female from Kruger Nat. Pk., South Africa (USNM).

*Peribaea* Australia sp. 1: Males and females from Queensland (DPI).

*Peribaea* Australia sp. 2: One male and one female from Kairi, Queensland (DPI).

*Peribaea* Australia sp. 3: Males and females from Queensland (DPI).

*Peribaea* Nepal sp. 1: Three males from Lothar (CNC).

*Peribaea* Sri Lanka sp. 1: One male from Colombo (CAS).

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**Recognition**

*Siphona* Meigen, as considered here in the broad sense, is a diverse, monophyletic group of cosmopolitan distribution. Adults are morphologically varied, but all are characterized by the anal vein extended to the wing margin at least as a sharply creased fold (Fig. 22). This state is also shared by *Peribaea* species, but these are easily recognized by their two strong and opposed proepimeral setae (one strong proepimeral seta in *Siphona s.l.* species and other siphonines, cf. Figs. 27 and 28).

Three known Old World *Actia* species are easily confused with *Siphona s.l.* species because they have the anal vein extended to the wing margin. They differ from members of *Siphona s.l.* in their possession of a partial to complete row of katepisternal hairs and distinctive *Actia*-type male genitalia (see Recognition section of *Actia*).

Though not very useful for general identification purposes, two features of first instars are diagnostic (and synapotypic) of *Siphona s.l.* species; both on the ventral surface of the abdomen on segments 6 and 7 (see O'Hara in press “a”). Segment 6 in *Siphona s.l.* species is equipped posteriorly with from two, to a row of about 10, large spines or hooks (Figs. 162-163). Other siphonines are bare in this region or have tiny spines (Figs. 158-161) with the exception of *Ceromya* sp. 3. *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Uganda sp. 1 is the only known *Siphona s.l.* species without the typical condition of the genus. The spinulose condition on the ventral surface of segment 7 posteriorly also distinguishes almost all *Siphona s.l.* species from other siphonines. With the exception of a few species (see Table 1), *Siphona s.l.* species (Figs. 163) have a single dominant row of spines in this position and other siphonines (Figs. 158-161) have two or more even or uneven rows of spines (*S. (Pseudosiphona)* species have the latter condition, as exemplified here by *S. (P.)* sp. 14, Fig. 162).

**Key to adults of the subgenera of *Siphona sensu lato***
(See section entitled “Review of major keys to genera and subgenera of the Siphonini” for information about how other authors have keyed (and classified) the following taxa.)

1. Mid tibia lacking *ad* seta (Fig. 38); aristomere 1 at least 2X longer than wide, subequal in length to aristomere 2 (Fig. 15); 2-3mm long (five species; western North America)..................

..............................................................................................................*S. (Baeomyia* O'Hara), p. 97

1'. Mid tibia with one or two *ad* seta on lower half (Fig. 37);
aristomere 1 shorter than aristomere 2, in most species shorter than wide (Figs. 13-14, 16-20); average-sized specimens of all but a very few species longer than 3mm ........................................... 2

2. (1') Maxillary palpus cylindrical to tip, markedly reduced to average length (Fig. 16) ................................................................. 3

2'. Maxillary palpus clavate apically, short to long (Figs. 1-15, 17-20) .... 4

3. (2) Distiphallus laterally incised and posterolateral arm clearly developed (Fig. 127); pregonite bare in Mauritius sp. 1, with long seta posteriorly in other species (Fig. 94) (Afrotropical, Nearctic, Palearctic and Oriental regions) ................................................................. S. (Ceranthia R.-D.), p. 99

3'. Distiphallus not laterally incised and without posterolateral arm; pregonite bare (two Australian species, Australia sp. 1 and New Guinea sp. 1) ........................................................................................................ 2

4. (2') Proboscis with prementum and labella elongate, labella slightly longer than prementum and in most species longer than eye height (Figs. 25-26); pregonite of male genitalia without seta posteriorly and lacking spinules apically (Fig. 96); female genitalia unmodified (Figs. 43, 45) except in S. melanura (over 80 described species; cosmopolitan) ... S. (Siphona Mg.), p. 108

4'. Proboscis with prementum and labella varied in length, labella in most species padlike to slightly lengthened (Figs. 13-15, 17-19, 23-24); in a very few species as long as prementum (Fig. 20); male genitalia varied, in almost all species in which labella are as long as prementum the pregonite has a seta posteriorly and/or tiny spinules apically (Figs. 89-95, 97-98, 100, 102-106); female genitalia varied ......................................................... 5

5. (4') Old World in distribution (a polyphyletic group of 21 described and many new species) .......................................................... S. (Aphantorhaphopsis Townsend), p. 92

5'. New World in distribution .......................................................... 6

6. (5') Distiphallus in profile with parallel anterior and posterior margins, with or without spines apically (Figs. 122-123); pregonite long and slender with tiny spinules apically (Fig. 89); cerci broadened in posterior view (Fig. 142); head as in Fig. 13, with labella varied from padlike to moderately lengthened; body mostly yellow with sparse abdominal pruinosity; wing vein R4+5 setulose from base to beyond crossvein r-m (S. singularis complex and one new species; Neotropical) ................................................................. S. (Actinocrocuta Townsend), p. 87

6'. Male genitalia varied, with not more than one of above states;
externally varied, but a very few species with above states ............ 7

7. (6) Distiphallus in profile narrow on apical half and with or without enlarged spines apically or anteriorly (Fig. 130); pregonite without spinules anterolaterally (Figs. 97-98); male sternum 5 with apex of apical lobe curved inward (similar to Figs. 62-63); proboscis with labella elongate, 0.7-0.9 prementum length (Figs. 18, 24); wing vein Rs+5 not setulose beyond crossvein r-m (three described and at least 13 new species; western United States and Neotropics).......................... .......................................................... S. (Siphonopsis Townsend), p. 120

7'. Distiphallus in profile broader on apical half than in Fig. 130 and with or without enlarged spines apically and/or anteriorly; pregonite with or without tiny spinules anterolaterally; male sternum 5 with or without apex of apical lobe curved inward; externally varied, but a few species with above states ....................... 8

8. (7) Pregonite (Fig. 95) with tiny spinules anterolaterally, broad with two or more tiny setae posteriorly in most species, a few species with J-shaped pregonite or only one tiny seta posteriorly; distiphallus triangular in profile in most species (Fig. 128); cerci sharply inflexed at midlength in most species (Fig. 140); head habitus varied, but most species with row of short parafacial hairs extended to lower half of eye, arista haired and proboscis with labella slightly more than half prementum length (Fig. 17) (one described and at least 18 new species; United States to northern Argentina).......................... .......................................................... S. (Pseudosiphona Townsend), p. 103

8'. Pregonite more slender than in Fig. 95, with not more than one seta posteriorly and with or without spinules anterolaterally; distiphallus varied, but not triangular as in Fig. 128; cerci smoothly curved to sharply inflexed; externally varied, but a very few species with above states ....................................................... 9

9. (8') Male genitalia with median lobe of sternum 5 flattened (Fig. 68), pregonite bare (no spinules or posterior seta; Fig. 99), distiphallus smoothly tapered in profile (Fig. 131), and cerci sharply inflexed at midlength; body relatively large, 4.0-5.0mm in length; also see Recognition section (one described and one new species; Ecuador and Peru)..........................

.......................................................... S. (Uruactia Townsend), p. 123

9'. Male genitalia varied, but with not more than two of the four states above........................................................................... 10

10. (9') Male genitalia with pregonite lacking spinules anterolaterally (Fig. 90; posterior seta present or absent), distiphallus tapered
in profile (Fig. 124), and cerci not sharply inflexed at midlength and of average shape (similar to Fig. 144) to slightly broadened (Fig. 143) in posterior view; body relatively small, 2.0-3.5mm in length and dark-colored; also see Recognition section (two described and at least four new species; SW United States to SE Brazil)..........................S. (Aphantorhapha Townsend), p. 89

10'. Male genitalia without above combination of states; externally varied (two described and over 40 new species; New World, mostly Neotropical) .................................................................

...New World Siphona s.l. species unplaced to subgenus, p. 125 [See descriptive sections on three species groups and unplaced species of New World Siphona s.l.]

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Figs. 13, 62, 89, 122-123, 142.


Recognition
Adults of this Neotropical group of few species cannot be distinguished from all other Siphona s.l. species except by features of the male genitalia, though the following external characteristics are shared by the known species: yellow overall except for varied amounts of reddish brown at femoral-tibial articulations, surrounding marginal setae on abdomen, and along abdominal midline; abdomen very sparsely pruinose; lower katepisternal setae at least length of upper anterior seta; three postsutural dorsocentral setae; wing vein $R_{4+5}$ setulose from base to beyond crossvein $r-m$; and anal vein extended to wing margin. The following combination of male genitalic states is unique to S. (Actinocrocuta) species: pregonite slender, apically rounded and covered with tiny spinules (Fig. 89; more curved than in Fig. 100); distiphallus in profile slender, nearly parallel-sided, varied apically (Figs. 122-123); and cerci in posterior view broadened to near tip (Fig. 142; more broadened than in some S. (Aphantorhapha) species [Fig. 143], though similar in shape in a very few other Siphona s.l. species).

Description
Length: 3.5-4.5mm.

Head (Fig. 13).—Anterior proclinate orbital seta longer than posterior one. Eye of male and female subequal in size: medium to medium-large, 0.76-0.81 head height. Flagellomere 1 of male and female subequal, medium-short to medium length, 0.41-0.52 head height; average width. Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere 2 relatively short, about 1.5X longer than wide. Aristomere 3 long and evenly tapering, pubescent to short plumose. Clypeus narrow and enclosed in membrane to slightly broadened. Palpus short, clavate. Proboscis with prementum medium in length (slightly over half head height in length), labella padlike to moderately lengthened.

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Thorax.— Prosternum setulose. Lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior seta. Three postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepistemum with single setula. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta. Mid tibia with one ad seta. Claws short. Wing vein CuA with distal portion 0.35–0.49 length of proximal portion (mean 0.42). Wing setulae: Sc ventrally setulose in some specimens; R4+5 setulose from base to beyond r-m; CuA bare or setulose.

Abdominal terga 1–5.— Abdomen ovoid in shape. T1+2 without median marginal setae, lateral marginal setae absent to weak. T3–6 with average setation.

Male genitalia (Figs. 62, 89, 122–123, 142).— S5 (Fig. 62) with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped; apical lobe distinctly differentiated, apex curved inward in some specimens of S. singularis complex; median lobe pointed to narrowly rounded, relatively unmodified; processes moderately setulose. T5 apparently absent. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion subequal to 2.0X wider than width of hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite (Fig. 89) in profile rather slender and elongate; outer surface short spinose apically, tiny seta posteriorly in S. singularis complex, seta absent from single specimen of S. (A.) sp. 1. Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus reduced posteriorly, not incised laterally, in profile rather narrow basally, nearly parallel-sided to tip, in S. singularis complex with or without (Fig. 122) apical hook anteroventrally, in S. (A.) sp. 1 with several hooks radiated from apex ventrally and anteroventrally (Fig. 123). Postgonite rounded apically in S. singularis complex, short in S. (A.) sp. 1. Surstylus rather short to average length, more or less straight; basally free from epandrium. Cerci average length, in profile rather straight at midlength, in posterior view broadened to near apex (Fig. 142); moderately setose on basal half in S. (A.) sp. 1, varied in members of S. singularis complex from state in S. (A.) sp. 1 to densely setose along length. Examined male genitalia of: S. singularis complex, S. (A.) sp. 1.

Female genitalia— Moderately extensible. S4 bare to sparsely haired posteromedially; slightly keeled posteromedially. T4 absent; spiracles of segment 6 in membrane dorsal to lateral margins of S5, S6 with long anterior apodeme; slightly keeled posteromedially. T5 absent; (spiracles not located). S8 much broader than average, haired. T6 present as two sclerites. Examined female genitalia of: S. singularis.

Taxonomic changes

Synonymy of S. (Actinocrocuta) chaetosa (Townsend) with S. (Actinocrocuta) singularis (Wiedemann).— The primary types (both male) of S. chaetosa (type locality “Trinidad”) and S. singularis (type locality “Brasilia”) are externally very similar, with no significant differences. The male genitalia are less similar, differing particularly in features of the distiphallus and degree of setation on posterior surface of cerci. In the absence of additional material I would be inclined towards retaining both names, but additional material has been examined and includes not only specimens with clearly intermediate states but also specimens with more extreme states. I have not been able to sort these specimens into distinct morphological groups because the apparent differences seem continuous and are not clinally distributed. There is either one very morphologically varied species, or two or more sibling species. Because of the range of observed variation and presence of intermediates, I synonymize the name S. chaetosa with S. singularis, and refer to this varied taxon as the S. singularis complex.

Hosts. Unknown.
Phylogenetics

*Siphona (Actinocrocuta)* here comprises the *S. singularis* complex and *S. (Actinocrocuta)* sp. 1. Adults of these taxa are similar in external appearance and coloration (see Recognition section), but these characteristics alone are not good indicators of monophyly because convergence in such features is common among *Siphona s.l.* species. Monophyly of this subgenus is better supported by three characters of the male genitalia: broadened cerci (Fig. 142), slender distiphallus (Figs. 122-123) and slender and apically spined pregonite (Fig. 89). These states are individually present in a few other *Siphona s.l.* species, in species unrelated to one another. The states are therefore homoplastic, though the presence of all three in *S. (Actinocrocuta)* species is better explained by monophyly of the subgenus than by independent development of these states in the two included species. The sister group to *S. (Actinocrocuta)* cannot be established with confidence (it is certainly to be sought among other Neotropical *Siphona s.l.* taxa), so *S. (Actinocrocuta)* is retained as a narrowly defined subgenus of *Siphona s.l.*

Geographic distribution

The *S. singularis* complex is widely distributed throughout the Neotropics, with records from Costa Rica, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Brazil (Manaus and southeastern region) and Trinidad. A single male specimen of a new species, referred to above as *S. (A.)* sp. 1, was collected at 400m from Avispas, Madre de Dios, Peru (1-15.X.1962), along with several specimens of the *S. singularis* complex.

List of described species included in *Siphona (Actinocrocuta)*

*S. singularis* (Wiedemann), 1830: 335 (*Tachina*). Holotype male, Brazil (FSF). Holotype examined.

syn. *chaetosa* (Townsend), 1935: 228 (*Actinocrocuta*). Lectotype male (by fixation as “holotype” by Townsend, 1940: 275 [see explanation under “Type designations of Coquillett and Townsend”]), Trinidad (USNM). Lectotype examined. New synonymy.

List of examined, undescribed, species included in *Siphona (Actinocrocuta)*

*S. (Actinocrocuta)* sp. 1: One male from Peru (CNC).

*Siphona (subgenus Aphantorhapha) Townsend*

Figs. 14, 63, 90, 124, 143.

Recognition

As presently conceptualized, *S. (Aphantorapha)* comprises two described and four undescribed New World species, and is one of the more difficult *Siphona* subgenera to diagnose. Adults are rather small (2.0-3.5mm in length) and dark-colored, with more or less average-sized eye and flagellomere 1, three postsutural dorsocentral setae, lower katepisternal seta subequal to or longer than upper anterior seta, crossvein *dm-cu* slightly removed from wing margin, and anal vein extended to wing margin. As these external characteristics are shared by some other species of *Siphona s.l.*, the male genitalia of specimens must be examined for a reliable identification.

One of the two distinctive features of the male genitalia of *S. (Aphantorapha)* species is the shape of the distiphallus (Fig. 124), which in profile has a characteristically tapered appearance and rounded to pointed tip. The other distinctive feature, though not present in all species (absent from single examined male of *S. atoma* and some specimens of *S. arizonica*), is the slightly broadened cerci (Fig. 143; broadened at midlength rather than to near tip like in *S. (Actinocrocuta)* species, Fig. 142). Like many other *Siphona s.l.* species, the pregonite (Fig. 90) is of average shape, apically bare, and with or without a seta posteriorly.

Description

**Length**: 2.0-3.5mm.

**Head** (Fig. 14).— Proclinate orbital setae subequal in length or anterior one longer. Eye of male medium to medium-large, 0.71-0.83 head height; eye of female slightly smaller to slightly larger than in male. Flagellomere 1 of male medium-short to medium length, 0.43-0.54 head height; shape from linear to broadened. Flagellomere 1 of female shorter than in male. Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere two 2.0-4.0X longer than wide. Aristomere 3 long and evenly tapered to short and thickened to near tip, micropubescent to short plumose. Clypeus narrow and enclosed in membrane to slightly broadened. Palpus short, clavate. Proboscis with prementum short to medium in length (about half head height in length), labella padlike in most species. slightly lengthened in *S. (A.)* sp. 2.

**Thorax**.— Prosternum setulose. Lower katepisternal seta subequal in length or longer than upper anterior seta. Three postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with single setula. Fore tibia with preapical *ad* seta much shorter than *d* seta. Mid tibia with one *ad* seta. Claws short. Wing vein *CuA* with distal portion 0.44-0.85 length of proximal portion (mean 0.64). Wing setulae: *R* 4+5 setulose to or beyond *r-m*; *CuA* bare.

**Abdominal terga 1-5**.— Abdomen ovoid in shape. *T* 1-2 without median marginal setae, lateral marginal setae absent to weak. *T* 2-3 with average setation.

**Male genitalia** (Figs. 63, 90, 124, 143).— *S* 5 (Fig. 63) with posterior margins of processes slightly obtuse to approximately U-shaped; apical lobe distinctly differentiated, apex curved inward in some species; median lobe rounded to broadly truncate, relatively unmodified; processes moderately setulose. *T* 3 absent or present as two lateral sclerites or broad dorsally continuous sclerite. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion subequal to 1.5X wider than width of hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite in profile smoothly curved anteriorly (Fig. 90) to rather sharply bent anteriorly at midlength, and more or less pointed apically; posteriorly bare in single specimen of *S. (A.)* sp. 2, with tiny to medium-sized seta in *S. arizonica*, short seta in single examined specimens of *S. atoma* and *S. (A.)* spp. 3 and 4 and medium-sized seta in single examined specimen of *S. (A.)* sp. 1. Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus reduced posteriorly, not incised to slightly incised laterally, with enlarged teeth anterolaterally in *S. arizonica* (Fig. 124) and to lesser extent *S. atoma*, teeth not enlarged beyond size of adjacent spinules in *S. (A.)* spp. 3 to 4, in profile tapered to rounded or pointed tip. Postgonite apically rounded. Surstyli short to rather long and straight; basally free from epandrium. Cerci
in profile short in S. arizonica and S. atoma, average length in S. (A.) spp. 1 to 4; straight to smoothly curved along posterior margin; slightly broadened at midlength in posterior view in some specimens of S. arizonica and single dissections of S. (A.) spp. 1-4 (Fig. 143), smoothly tapered to tip in some specimens of S. arizonica and single dissection of S. atoma (similar to Fig. 144); moderately setose on basal half.


Female genitalia.— Short. T_6 absent or present as median sclerite; spiracles of segment 6 in membrane dorsal to lateral margins of S_6 S_7 with long anterior apodeme; not keeled posteromedially. T_7 absent or present as small lateral sclerites; spiracles of segment 7 in membrane between segments 6 and 7. S_6 distinctly developed, haired. T_{16} present as two sclerites.

Examined female genitalia of: S. arizonica.

**Hosts.** Unknown.

**Phylogenetics**

Adults of this subgenus of six species (two described and four undescribed) share a number of external characteristics (see Recognition and Description sections), but none is considered synapotypic of the group.

Monophyly of S. (Aphantorhapha) is weakly supported by two slightly derived, but apparently unique, states in the male genitalia. One is the tapered shape of the distiphallus (Fig. 124). The other is the broadened cerci (Fig. 143), which were observed in the single dissections of S. (A.) spp. 1-4 and some dissections of S. arizonica specimens (i.e. S. arizonica with cerci varied from average to broadened). Though the cerci of the single dissected male of S. atoma are of average shape, this species is very similar in all other respects to other members of S. (Aphantorhapha). In fact, the short cerci and toothed distiphallus of S. atoma suggests it is sister species to S. arizonica.

*Siphona pulla*, described by Reinhard in Aphantorhapha, is known only from the female holotype. The type does not agree in all respects with the present concept of S. (Aphantorhapha), and cannot be placed into another supraspecific taxon of *Siphona s.l.* without study of male genitalic characters. *S. pulla* is therefore left as an unplaced species of *Siphona s.l.*

*Siphona (Aphantorhapha)* is admittedly not very distinctive, and is only recognized as a subgenus because it is apparently monophyletic and because synapotypies between it and other *Siphona s.l.* groups (which would permit a larger and more broadly defined subgenus to be recognized) are unknown.

**Geographic distribution**

The two described species of S. (Aphantorhapha) and S. (A.) spp. 3 and 4 are primarily southern Nearctic in distribution. S. arizonica is the most widely distributed, ranging from Arizona and western New Mexico through Durango, Chihuahua and Oaxaca to San Cristobal, Chiapas. S. atoma is only known from the type series collected from College Station, Texas. S. (A.) sp. 3 is known from one male collected from Grant Co., New Mexico, and S. (A.) sp. 4 from two males collected near La Ciudad, Durango.

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Two new species of *S. (Aphantorhapha)* are recognized from the Neotropics. *Siphona* (A.) sp. 1 is known from a single male collected from Ibarra, in the Imbabura province of Ecuador (2200m, 2-4.VI.1977). The other species, *S. (A.)* sp. 2, is known from several specimens collected over several years from Nova Teutonia, SE Brazil.

**List of described species included in *Siphona (Aphantorhapha)***


*N.atoma* (Reinhard), 1947: 19 (*Aphantorhapha*). Holotype male, USA: Texas, College Station (CNC). Holotype examined.

**List of examined, undescribed, species included in *Siphona (Aphantorhapha)***

*S. (Aphantorhapha)* sp. 1: One male from Ecuador (BMNH).
*S. (Aphantorhapha)* sp. 2: Three males from SE Brazil (CNC, USP).
*S. (Aphantorhapha)* sp. 3: One male from New Mexico, USA (JEOH).
*S. (Aphantorhapha)* sp. 4: Two males from Durango, Mexico (CNC).

*Siphona* (subgenus *Aphantorhaphopsis* Townsend) Figs. 64, 91-92, 125.


*Asiphona* Mesnil, 1954: 9, 10 (as subgenus of *Siphona*). Type-species, *Thrypecera selecta* Pandelle, 1894 (original designation). New synonym of *Aphantorhaphopsis* Townsend.

**Recognition**

This taxon was called *Asiphona* Mesnil previously (e.g. Anderson 1983), but *Aphantorhaphopsis* has priority and is used here. It comprises a probably non-monophyletic assemblage of Old World *Siphona s.l.* species not belonging to *Siphona s.s.* or *S. (Ceranthia)* [other *Siphona* subgenera are strictly New World in known distribution]. The rationale for recognizing such an unsatisfactorily-defined group in the formal classification of the Siphonini is explained below in the Phylogenetics section.

Species of *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* have a short aristomere 1, lower proepimeral seta undeveloped, lower katepisternal seta at least length of upper anterior one, katepisternum without row of hairs anterior to mid coxa, and anal vein extended to wing margin. These states distinguish *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* species from all Old World non-*Siphona s.l.* species.

*Siphona s.s.* species have a characteristically elongate proboscis, with labella rigid basally and at least as long as the prementum. Most *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* species have padlike labella, and are thus easily separated from *Siphona s.s.* species
by this state. The labella of a few S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) species are lengthened, and in a very few as long as prementum, but only in Nepal sp. 1 are they also inflexible along basal half (in life) and with reduced number of pseudotracheae as in Siphona s.s. species. Nepal sp. 1 is distinguished from Siphona s.s. species by its possession of a seta posteriorly on the pregonite (this seta is absent from Siphona s.s. species and present in, or absent from, S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) species).

S. (Ceranthia) species are characterized by a cylindrical palpus (Fig. 16), long seta posteriorly on the pregonite (Fig. 94) and distinctive shape of the distiphallus (Fig. 127). Two S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) species, Australia sp. 1 and New Guinea sp. 1, have a cylindrical palpus like in S. (Ceranthia) species, but these do not have the male genitalic states of that taxon (they have a bare pregonite and the distiphallus is not laterally incised).

**Description**

Length: 3.0-5.0mm.

**Head.**— Anterior proclinate orbital seta subequal to or longer than posterior one. Eye of male medium-small to large, 0.69-0.89 head height; eye of female smaller than or subequal to eye of male. Flagellomere 1 of male short to medium-long, 0.38-0.63 head height; shape linear to broad in most species, subquadrangular in a few. Flagellomere 1 of female subequal or smaller than in male. Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere two 1.5-4X longer than wide. Aristomere 3 long and evenly tapered in most species, short and thickened to near tip in a few; almost bare to short plumose. Clypeus narrow and enclosed in membrane to U-shaped. Palpus short and clavate in most species, long in some species with an elongate proboscis, reduced and cylindrical (as in S. (Ceranthia) spp.) in Australia sp. 1 and New Guinea sp. 1. Proboscis with prementum short in most species, slightly lengthened to elongate in a few; labella padlike in most species, slightly lengthened to subequal prementum length in a few with more than basal half flexible in life (e.g. S. alticola, S. crepuscula, S. fera, Nepal sp. 2 and New Guinea sp. 3), very long and Siphona-like (i.e. labella inflexible over at least basal half and number of pseudotracheae reduced) in Nepal sp. 1 (proboscis 2.6X head height).

**Thorax.**— Prosternum setulose, except bare in Nepal sp. 3. Lower katepisternal seta subequal in length to, or longer than, upper anterior seta. Three or four postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with one seta in most species, two in a few. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta in almost all species, known to be as long as d seta only in S. laticornis. Mid tibia with one ad seta in most species (short in Australia sp. 1), two ad setae in Kenya sp. 1 and South Africa sp. 1. Claws short. Wing vein CuA1 with distal portion 0.26-1.4X length of proximal portion (mean 0.47). Wing setulae: R4+5 setulose between base and r-m in most species, known to be setulose beyond r-m only in Australia sp. 2; CuA1 bare.

**Abdominal terga 1-5.**— Abdomen ovoid in shape. T1+2 without median marginal setae, lateral marginal setae absent to strong. T3-T4 average or with weak lateral discal setae.

**Male genitalia** (Figs. 64, 91-92, 125).— S5 with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped in most species, obtusely angled in a few, almost V-shaped in Nepal sp. 1 (Fig. 64, resembling typical Actia shape except median cleft more distinct); apical lobe distinctly differentiated, apex slightly to markedly curved inward in several species; median lobe narrowly to broadly rounded or truncate, relatively unmodified; processes moderately setulose. T6 varied from two small lateral sclerites to single, narrow to broad, dorsally continuous sclerite. Hypandrial apodeme lengthened in New Guinea sp. 1, very elongate in Nepal sp. 4. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion 0.5-1.5X wider than hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite (Figs. 91-92) in profile curved anteriorly and pointed apically in most species, in others varied from short and broad to long and thin, in S. nigromitens expanded basally and fused with hypandrial apodeme, in Kenya sp. 1 expanded ventrolaterally; bare or with small seta posteriorly in most species, large seta present in S. nr. fera (absent from holotype of S. fera). Epiphallus present or absent. Distiphallus (Fig. 125) reduced posteriorly, markedly varied in profile, laterally incised or complete, apically pointed or rounded or truncate, with or without recurved spines along anterior and/or lateral margin, in about half the
species with long posterolateral arm. Postgonite long and pointed in Australia sp. 2, very reduced in S. nigronitens and Nepal sp. 4, rounded or truncate in other species. Surstylus markedly varied, short to long, thin to broad, straight to curved posteriorly; basally fused with epandrium in Nepal sp. 4, free from epandrium in other species. Cerci average length and smoothly curved in most species, rather short in a few species, slightly inflexed at midlength in a few species; moderately setose on basal half.


Female genitalia—Short. S 6 with average length hairs. T 6 absent (not examined in Australia sp. 1 and Nepal sp. 4); spiracles of segment 6 in membrane dorsal to lateral margins of S 6. S 6 with long anterior apodeme; not keeled posteromedially. T 7 absent from most species, present as two small lateral sclerites in Nepal sp. 1; spiracles of segment 7 in membrane between segments 6 and 7. S 7 distinctly developed, haired, broader than average in a few species, large and rather pointed in Australia sp. 1. T 7 absent from Uganda sp. 1, present as lightly to distinctly sclerotized pair of sclerites or median sclerite in other species.

Examined female genitalia of: Australia sp. 1, Kenya sp. 1, Nepal spp. 1, South Africa sp. 1 and Uganda sp. 1. Examined published figure of: S. samarensis (Andersen 1983, fig. 5).

**Hosts**

Known hosts of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) comprise a diverse assemblage of Macrolepidoptera, as might be expected of a grade-based taxon such as this (Table 2). Five host families are represented, of which two, the Noctuidae and Geometridae, are commonly recorded among other siphonines. The three remaining families, the Hesperiidae, Liparidae and Arctiidae, are virtually unreported as hosts of other siphonines (a single record being that of an arctiid host for Ceromya bicolor). One European species, S. samarensis, is recorded from an economically important pest, the gypsy moth (Porthetria dispar), though its level of parasitism is apparently very low.

Given the possibly polyphyletic nature of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) and the meagre extent to which both its species and hosts are known, the diversity of hosts here recorded is probably far from representative for the taxon.

**Phylogenetics**

The present grouping of Old World species under S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) is one of taxonomic convenience, as too little is known about these species to formulate a phylogenetically-based classification. Adults have the derived features of Siphona s.l., and are assignable within the genus to S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) by their lack of the apotypic states defining the other Siphona subgenera. It is inferred that this group lacks autapotypies because it is composed of several (numerous?) lineages. This taxon is probably either paraphyletic or polyphyletic, depending upon the true relationships of these species with those of other Siphona subgenera.

The diverse assemblage of species comprising this group can only be adequately reclassified by a thorough study of at least external and male genitalic characters. Even a revision of described species is apt to be inadequate for both classificatory and identification needs, as many undescribed species are known.

The description above of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) is based upon the study of specimens of as many species as were available. Though this characterization of S.
(Aphantorhaphopsis) is recognized as an interim measure until a thorough revision is undertaken, it is nevertheless useful, as it is the first comprehensive review of the included species. Its concept is the same as that of Andersen's (1983) Asiphona Mesnil, over which the name Aphantorhaphopsis has priority.

Andersen similarly diagnosed this taxon as a group of Old World siphonines belonging to the Siphona lineage and lacking the derived states of the other taxa (in his case Siphona s.s. and S. (Ceranthia) because his revision dealt strictly with Old World siphonines). Andersen found no autapotypes of Asiphona, but retained the taxon as a genus and hypothesized a sister group relationship between it and Ceranthia. He based this hypothesis on the shared possession in these taxa of a seta on the posterior surface of the pregonite, which is absent from Siphona s.s. species. However, the present study has shown that some species of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) lack this seta and many New World Siphona s.l. species possess it, so presence of a seta is not synapotypic of this taxon and S. (Ceranthia). The significance of this seta, with respect to the phylogeny of the supraspecific taxa of Siphona s.l., is discussed in the Evolution chapter.

An attempt was made while revising the supraspecific taxa of Siphona s.l. to discover species of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) which might have close New World relatives. None was found, perhaps because New World subgenera are mostly Neotropical and southern Nearctic in distribution and are thus likely to be too old to have easily recognized Old World members, if indeed any exist. It was not clearly established whether or not some of the unplaced Siphona s.l. species of the northern Nearctic region are closely related to any Old World S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) species, though this is a possibility.

Geographic distribution

The 21 described species of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) are fairly evenly distributed throughout the Palearctic, Afrotropical and Oriental regions, with six species described from each of the first two regions and eight from the third. Only one species is described from Australia. Examination of material from the Old World indicates that at least several, perhaps many, undescribed species exist in each region, particularly in the Oriental and Australian regions.

The six described Palearctic species are apparently restricted to Europe (Herting 1984 [species included under broad concept of Ceranthia]; no records in publications of Richter) and are keyed and redescribed in Mesnil (1963a-1964: 843-853). Species of the other regions are catalogued in Crosskey (1973, 1976a, 1980), mostly in the genus Ceromya. Dear and Crosskey (1982) key three species occurring in the Philippines, S. angustifrons, S. orientalis and S. nr. selangor (all keyed as Ceromya species), and species of central Africa and Madagascar are keyed in Mesnil (1954 and 1977b, respectively).

The distribution of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) species cannot be historically interpreted until the phylogenetic relationships among these species are better
known, as well as their relationships with other subgenera of Siphona.

**List of described species included in Siphona (Aphantorhaphopsis)**

O *alticola* (Mesnil), 1953: 110 (*Crocuta (Siphona)*). Holotype male, Burma: Kambaiti (ZMU). Holotype examined. **New combination.**

O *angustifrons* (Malloch), 1930b: 131 (*Actia*). Holotype male, Malaysia: Kedah Peak (BMNH). Holotype examined. **New combination.**

P *brunnescens* (Villeneuve), 1921: 46 (*Actia*). Holotype male, German Democratic Republic: Oberlausitz, Niederoderwitz (CNC). Holotype examined. **New combination.**

O *crassulata* (Mesnil), 1953: 112 (*Crocuta (Siphona)*). Holotype male, Burma: Kambaiti (ZMU). Holotype examined. **New combination.**


O *laboriosa* Mesnil, 1957: 48 (described in subgenus *Asiphona*). Holotype male, Burma: Kambaiti (ZMU). Holotype examined. **New combination.**

O *mallochiana* (Gardner), 1940: 178 (*Actia*). Type(s) puparia, India (?FRI). New combination.


U *norma* (Malloch), 1929a: 116 (*Actia*). Holotype male, Australia: New South Wales, Como (USNM). Holotype examined. **New combination.**

O *orientalis* (Townsend), 1926a: 35 (*Aphantorhaphopsis*). Holotype male, Indonesia: Sumatra, Fort de Kock (ZMA). Holotype examined.


P *samarensis* (Villeneuve), 1921: 46 (*Actia*). Holotype female, Russia: Kujbyšev [Samara] (CNC). Holotype examined. **New combination.**

O *selangor* (Malloch), 1930b: 132 (*Actia*). Holotype male, Malaysia: Selangor (BMNH). Holotype examined. **New combination.**

P *selecta* (Pandelé), 1894: 112 (*Thryptocera*). Syntypes, France: Var, Hyères (MNHN). **New combination.**

P *siphonoides* (Strobl), 1898: 235 (*Gymnopareia*). Holotype male, Austria: Steiermark, Gesäuse (N MBA). **New combination.**

syn. *brunneipalpis* (Villeneuve), 1921: 45 (*Actia*). Holotype male, Federal


P *starkei* (Mesnil), 1952b: 155 (*Actia*). Holotype male, German Democratic Republic: nr. Bautzen, Hennerstadt (CNC). Holotype examined. **New combination.**

P *verralii* (Wainwright), 1928: 208 (*Actia*). Holotype male, Scotland: Sutherlandshire, Mound (HDE). Holotype examined. **New combination.**


List of examined, undescribed, species included in *Siphona* (*Aphantorhaphopsis*)

*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Australia sp. 1: One male, three females from Queensland (DPI).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Australia sp. 2: One male from Karumba, Queensland (DPI).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Kenya sp. 1: One male and several females from Kenya (CAS, USNM).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Nepal sp. 1: Males and one female from Nepal (CNC).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Nepal sp. 2: One male, one female from Kathmandu (CNC).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Nepal sp. 3: Two males from Nepal (CNC).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Nepal sp. 4: One male, one female from Nepal (CNC).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* New Guinea sp. 1: Males and one female from New Guinea (BPBM).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* New Guinea sp. 2: Three males from New Guine (BPBM).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* New Guinea sp. 3: One male from se. Mt. Saint Mary (BPBM).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* South Africa sp. 1: Two females from Cape Good Hope Nat. Res. (USNM).
*S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Uganda sp. 1: Males and females from Uganda, one female from Rhodesia (CNC, USNM).

**Siphona** (subgenus *Baeomyia* O’Hara)

Figs. 15, 22, 38, 93, 126.


**New subgeneric status** in *Siphona* Meigen.

**Recognition**

Adults of *S. (Baeomyia)* species are among the smallest of siphonines, measuring 2-3mm in length. They are only recorded from western North America and are easily recognized among New World siphonines by the absence of an *ad* seta on the mid tibia (Fig. 38) - a state only shared with several Old World *Actia* and *Ceromya s.s.* species. Also diagnostic is the elongate aristomere 1, which is subequal in length to aristomere 2 (Fig. 15; only as long in a few Old World siphonines). *S. (Baeomyia)* species are also characterized by padlike labella, three postsutural dorsocentral setae, wing vein *R₄₅* not setulose beyond crossvein *r-m*, anal vein extended to wing margin, and crossvein *dm-cu* far removed from wing margin (Fig. 22).

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Description

Length: 2.0-3.0mm.

Head (Fig. 15; also see head profiles in O'Hara 1984, figs. 1-5.).— Anterior proclinate orbital seta subequal in length to posterior one. Eye of male and female subequal, small to medium-large, 0.65-0.83 head height. Flagellomere 1 of male short to medium length, 0.39-0.56 head height; shape average to broadly subquadangular. Flagellomere 1 of female smaller than in male or subequal in size. Aristomere 1 elongate, subequal in length to aristomere 2, each 2.4-4.6X longer than wide. Aristomere 3 almost bare, very short, evenly tapered or thickened to near tip. Clypeus U-shaped. Palpus short, clavate. Proboscis with prementum short, labella padlike.

Thorax (Fig. 22).— Presternum bare or sparsely setulose. Lower katepistemal seta shorter than or subequal in length to upper anterior seta. Three postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with single setula. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta. Mid tibia lacking ad seta. Claws short. Wing (Fig. 22 and O'Hara 1984, fig. 10): CuA1 with distal portion 0.64-1X length of proximal portion (i.e. dm-cu far removed from wing margin; mean 0.85). Wing setulae: R4+5 setulose between base and r-m; CuA1 bare.

Abdominal terga 7-8.— Abdomen ovoid in shape. T1+2 without median or lateral marginal setae. T3-T8 with average setation, setae weakly to strongly developed.

Male genitalia (Figs. 93, 126 and O'Hara 1984, figs. 6-9).— S5 with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped; apical lobe distinctly differentiated; median lobe rounded, relatively unmodified; processes sparsely to moderately setulose. T9 narrow to broad, dorsally continuous. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion 1.0-1.5X wider than hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite (Fig. 93) in profile curved anteriorly, pointed apically; with tiny seta posteriorly (not shown in O'Hara 1984). Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus (Fig. 126) reduced posteriorly, not incised laterally, without enlarged teeth anteriorly or ventrally, in profile apically truncate. Postgonite short to average in size, apically rounded. Surstylus almost straight to sharply curved posteriorly: basally free from epandrium. Ceri short to average length, smoothly curved (O'Hara 1984, figs. 7-9) or sharply inflexed at midlength (O'Hara 1984, fig. 6); moderately setose on basal half.

Examined male genitalia of: S. hurdi, S. juniperi, S. sonorensis and S. xanthogaster (all shown in O'Hara 1984, figs. 6-9).

Female genitalia.— Short. S5 with average length hairs. T8 absent; spiracles of segment 6 in membrane dorsal to lateral margins of S5. S5 with long anterior apodeme; not keeled posteromedially. T9 absent; spiracles of segment 7 in membrane between segments 6 and 7. S5 distinctly developed, hairied. T10 absent.

Examined female genitalia of: S. antennata, S. hurdi, S. sonorensis and S. xanthogaster (all shown in O'Hara 1984, figs. 11-14 [fig. 14, S. antennata, mislabelled as B. juniperi]).

Hosts

Hosts of two S. (Baeomyia) species are known, and are larvae belonging to the geometrid genus Semiothisa (Table 2 and O'Hara 1984).

Phylogenetics

S. (Baeomyia) is a monophyletic taxon based on several synapotypies (see O'Hara 1984: 1388-1389). These include absence of an ad seta on the mid tibia (this seta independently lost in a few Old World Actia and Ceromya s.s. species), aristomere 1 subequal in length to aristomere 2 (a rare state present in a few, unrelated, Old World siphonines), very small-sized adults, very short aristomere 3 (Figs. 1-5 in O'Hara 1984), and crossvein dm-cu far removed from wing margin (Fig. 22). The last state is possibly not autapotypic of S. (Baeomyia) because it is shared with some other Siphona s.l. species (see Table 1); the position of dm-cu is such a labile character among siphonines that it is difficult to establish among which lineages its derived state (i.e. far removed from wing margin) is synapotypic, and
among which it is convergent (O’Hara 1984: 1388).

**Geographic distribution**

*S. (Baeomyia)* species are restricted in distribution to western North America. Known distributions are shown and discussed in O’Hara (1984).

**List of described species included in Siphona (Baeomyia)**


N * sonorensis* (O’Hara), 1984: 1393 (*Baeomyia*). Holotype male, USA: Arizona, Graham Co., 2.4km. west on Hwy. 366 from Hwy. 666 (CNC). Holotype examined.


*Siphona* (subgenus *Ceranthia* Robineau-Desvoidy)

Figs. 16, 44, 46, 65, 94, 127.


**Recognition**

Members of this subgenus are widely distributed, and with few exceptions are easily recognized. Adults are characterized externally by a cylindrical palpus (Fig. 16), a derived state within the Siphonini. This state is also present in *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Australia sp. 1 and New Guinea sp. 1, but these species do not have *S. (Ceranthia)*-like male genitalia (see below), and seem more closely related to certain species of *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)*.

Two derived features of the male genitalia are also characteristic of *S. (Ceranthia)* species. The posterolateral margins of the distiphallus are incised to varied degrees, with distinct posterolateral arm (one per side; Fig. 127). In addition, a seta projects posteriorly from the pregonite (Fig. 94), and is larger than in all but a very few other *Siphona* species. Atypical in this respect is *S. (Ceranthia)* Mauritius sp. 1, in which this seta is absent. This species possesses a cylindrical palpus and *S. (Ceranthia)*-like distiphallus, and is recognized as a member of this subgenus by these features.

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Adult females of *S. (Ceranthia)* species have a posteromediadly keeled (Figs. 44, 46) sternum 7, and though this state is not unique to species of this subgenus, it is apparently universal among its members.

**Description**

Length: 3.0-5.5mm.

**Head** (Fig. 16).— Anterior proclinate orbital seta subequal in length to posterior one in most species. Eye of male medium-small to large, 0.69-0.88 head height; eye of female usually smaller than in male. Flagellomere 1 of male medium-short to medium-long, 0.42-0.66 head height; shape broad to subquadrangular. Flagellomere 1 of female shorter and narrower than in male. Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere two 2.0-8.0X longer than wide, generally less than 4X. Aristomere 3 almost bare to micropubescent, rather short and evenly tapered. Clypeus varied from narrow and enclosed in membrane to U-shaped. Palpus short or reduced, cylindrical (not apically clavate). Proboscis with prementum short, labella padlike.

**Thorax.**— Presternum setulose. Lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior seta. Three or four postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with single setula in most species, with two in a few. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta. Mid tibia with one ad seta. Claws short.

Wing vein CuA, with distal portion 0.30-0.51 length of proximal portion (i.e. dm-cu near wing margin; mean 0.42). Wing setulae: R₄ bare dorsally and ventrally in most species, distally setulose dorsally in a few, distally setulose dorsally and ventrally in *S. terrosa*; R₄+₅ setulose between base and r-m in most species, beyond r-m in *S. palitata*; CuA bare.

**Abdominal terga 1-5.**— Abdomen ovoid in shape. T₃+₄ without median marginal setae; lateral marginal setae strong. T₅ average in most species, with extra pair of lateral marginal setae on T₅ in a few species.

**Male genitalia** (Figs. 65, 94, 127).— T₅ (Fig. 65) little varied; posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped; apical lobe large and distinctly differentiated, in most species apex curved inward; median lobe rounded, relatively unmodified; processes sparsely to moderately setulose. T₆ narrow to broad, dorsally continuous or narrowly discontinuous. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion 1.0-1.5X wider than hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite (Fig. 94) in profile curved anteriorly, more or less pointed apically; large seta posteriorly (except bare in Mauritius sp. 1). Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus (Fig. 127) reduced posteriorly, laterally incised to form posterolateral arm extended slightly to markedly beyond anterior margin; anterior margin spinulose or toothed. Surstylus straight, extended slightly beyond tip of cerci; basally free from epandrium. Cerci average length, smoothly curved at midlength; moderately setose on basal half.

Examined male genitalia of: 5. *abdominalis* (fig. 20 in Andersen 1983, as *Ceranthia fulvipes*), *S. flavipes*, *S. plorans*, *S. scutellata*, Ethiopia sp. 1, Mauritius sp. 1 and U.S. spp. 1-5.

**Female genitalia** (Figs. 44, 46).— Short to elongate (e.g. U.S. sp. 7). S₅ with average length hairs, ventrally flat or slightly keeled posteriordely. T₅ absent; spiracles of segment 6 in membrane dorsal to lateral, or anterolateral, margins of S₅, S₆ with long anterior apodeme; distinctly keeled posteriordely, in a few species posterior margin narrow and elongate and covering S₅, T₅ absent; spiracles of segment 7 in membrane dorsal to anterolateral margins of S₅, S₆ distinctly developed, haired. T₆, T₇ present as two sclerites.


**Hosts**

The hosts of four *S. (Ceranthia)* species are known, and these all belong to the Geometrididae (Table 2).

**Phylogenetics**

*S. (Ceranthia)* is a clearly defined, monophyletic lineage of *Siphona s.l*. The cylindrical palpus of adults (Fig. 16) has long been recognized as the distinguishing feature (and synapotypy) of this group, and to this are added two genitalic states
which further support monophyly of the subgenus: the distiphallus is characteristically incised posterolaterally, with distinct posterolateral projection (Figs. 127), and the pregonite possesses a large seta posteriorly (Fig. 94). Females possess a posteromedially keeled (Figs. 44, 46) sternum 7, and larvae (so far as known) are parasitic only on larval geometrids, but these characteristics may not be autapotypic of *S. (Ceranthia)* species.

Two species assigned to *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* also have a cylindrical palpus - Australia sp. 1 and New Guinea sp. 1. These species do not possess other derived states of *S. (Ceranthia)*, and seem to have developed a cylindrical palpus independently of *S. (Ceranthia)* species. Other characters suggest that they are closely related to species with a normal palpus belonging to the broadly defined *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)*. With exclusion of these species from *S. (Ceranthia)*, no species of this subgenus are known from the Australian region.

*S. (Ceranthia)* Mauritius sp. 1 has the derived states of the palpus and distiphallus found in other *S. (Ceranthia)* species, but lacks the large seta on the pregonite which is present in other known species of this taxon. I hypothesize that this seta was present in the groundplan of *S. (Ceranthia)* because at least a small seta is widely distributed among other *Siphona* lineages (Table 1). Therefore lack of this seta from Mauritius sp. 1 is interpreted as a secondary loss.

**Geographic distribution**

Eight described *S. (Ceranthia)* species are in the Palearctic region, five in the Afrotropical region and one in the Nearctic region. Five of the eight Palearctic species are apparently very limited in distribution, with one each in England (*S. lichtwardtiana*), northern France (*S. tristella*) and Algeria (*S. jocosa*), and two in Japan (*S. japonica* and *S. sulfurea*). More widespread are *S. abdominalis* (common throughout Europe and collected from Mongolia and Chita region (Herting 1973 [as “*Ceranthia* sp. aff. anomala Zett.” - perhaps a new species], Richter 1975, 1980), *S. tenuipalpis* (described from Berlin, and Zlatoust in the Ural Mtns.) and *S. pallida* (described from Austria, and if correctly identified then also found on the Kuril Islands (Richter 1976b)). A key to the described Palearctic species of *S. (Ceranthia)* is presented in Mesnil (1975: 1399-1400), and distributions are summarized in Herting 1984 (with species of *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* included in *Ceranthia*). I have seen specimens of a new Palearctic species from Ethiopia.

Known ranges of the five described Afrotropical *S. (Ceranthia)* species are given in Crosskey (1980). All were described by Mesnil, and their distributions reflect his work on the fauna of the upper Congo area (four species) and Madagascar (one species). I suspect that the *S. (Ceranthia)* fauna of the Afrotropical region is much more diverse than presently recognized.

There are no described *S. (Ceranthia)* species in the Oriental and Australian regions. I have not seen any specimens of *S. (Ceranthia)* species among borrowed Australian siphonines, but examined one female belonging to the subgenus from Quaest. Ent., 1989, 25 (1,2)
Coimbatore in southern India (CNC specimen).

The New World S. (Ceranthia) are very inadequately known. The single described species, S. flavipes, is recorded from eastern Canada and northeastern USA. Approximately six undescribed S. (Ceranthia) species occur in North America, and are mostly eastern or western in distribution. The most southern record for S. (Ceranthia) in the New World is southwestern New Mexico, USA.

List of described species included in Siphona (Ceranthia)

**P abundance** (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1830: 87. (Ceromya). Type(s), France (lost).


  **microcera** (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1830: 88 (Ceromya). Type(s), France: near Paris (lost).— Mesnil, 1963a: 840.

  **anomala** Zetterstedt, 1849: 3213, 3221. Two syntypes, Denmark (UZI).— Herting, 1974: 18.


  **grisea** (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1850: 198 (Ceromya). Type(s) male, France: near Paris (lost).— Bezzi and Stein, 1907: 389.

  **flavipes** (Robineau-Desvoidy), 1850: 200 (Ceranthia). Unjustified emendation of C. fulvipes Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.


**P japonica** (Mesnil), 1963b: 33 (Ceranthia). Holotype male, Japan: Kyushu (CNC). Holotype examined.


**P lichtwardtiana** (Villeneuve), 1931: 61 (as variety of Actia anomala (Zetterstedt)). Type, locality not given (ZMHU; not located, possibly lost).


**P pallida** (Herting), 1959: 423 (Ceranthia (Actia)). Holotype female, Austria: Aflen, Dorfmeister (NMV). Holotype examined.


**P sulfurea** (Mesnil), 1971: 72 (Ceranthia). Holotype female, Japan: Hokkaido,
Nukabira (CNC).

List of examined, undescribed, species included in Siphona (Ceranthia)

S. (Ceranthia) Ethiopia sp. 1: One male from Addis Abbaba (AMNH).
S. (Ceranthia) Mauritius sp. 1: Two males from Lois Maris (CNC).
S. (Ceranthia) U.S. sp. 1: One male, females ranging from Washington state to California, USA (PHA, WSUP).
S. (Ceranthia) U.S. sp. 2: Two males, females from northeastern North America (CAS, CNC, MSU).
S. (Ceranthia) U.S. sp. 3: One male, one female from New Mexico, USA (JEOH).
S. (Ceranthia) U.S. sp. 4: Males and females from northeastern North America (CNC, PHA, USNM, WLD, WSUP).
S. (Ceranthia) U.S. sp. 5: Males and females from California, USA (CAS, JEOH, PHA, USNM).
S. (Ceranthia) U.S. sp. 6: Two females from British Columbia, Canada (CAS, CNC).
S. (Ceranthia) U.S. sp. 7: One female from Nevada, USA (USNM).

Siphona (subgenus Pseudosiphona Townsend)
Figs. 17, 66, 95, 128, 140, 162.


Recognition
This taxon is one of the more diverse subgenera of New World Siphona s.l., despite the fact that only its type species, S. brevirostris, is described. It comprises two species north of Mexico and approximately 18 south of the United States.

Adults of most S. (Pseudosiphona) species have a characteristic habitus, distinctive male genitalia, and unique larval cephalopharyngeal skeleton. However, interspecific variation is common and certain species depart from the average condition in one or more states. Because variation from the typical features is particularly prevalent among external characters, and some other Siphona s.l. species appear externally similar, examination of male genitalia is essential for the recognition of members of this subgenus. The following diagnosis includes a suite of characteristics shared by most species of S. (Pseudosiphona), though some species deviate from it in one or more states: adults are light colored with mostly yellow legs, light brown thoracic dorsum, and generally heavy pruinosity on the anterior fourth of abdominal terga and very sparse pruinosity over rest of abdomen (in contrast to the more evenly pruinose abdomens of most other New World Siphona s.l. species). Head features are markedly varied, but the following

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combination of states is common to most *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species (Fig. 17): row of short hairs extended from parafrontal to halfway down parafacial, medium-sized flagellomere 1, arista distinctly haired, eye medium-large, and proboscis with labella slightly more than half length of prementum.

*S. (Siphonopsis)* is a very diverse Neotropical taxon and its members can generally be distinguished externally from those of *S. (Pseudosiphona)* by their more pruinose abdomen, shorter row of parafacial hairs, almost bare arista and slightly longer labella. Some members of these taxa are rather similar despite these differences between most species, but features of the male genitalia reliably separate them.

*S. (Pseudosiphona)* sp. 15 is the least typical of the subgenus in head characteristics, having an elongate prementum and labella like in *Siphona s.s.* species. The male genitalia of this species deviate slightly from the average condition (described below; not resembling the male genitalia of *S. (Siphona)* species), but features of the first instar confirm its placement here.

The male genitalia of most *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species are very distinctive. In most species the pregonite (Fig. 95) is broadened, anterolaterally spinulose, and has one to several tiny setae posteriorly; possession of all three of these states is apparently unique to *S. (Pseudosiphona)*. In a few species the pregonite is more J-shaped. Spinules are present in all examined specimens, but this state is shared with other taxa (though these other taxa have a more slender pregonite). The possession of more than one posterior seta on the pregonite is apparently unique to *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species, though at least one species has only one seta as in some other *Siphona s.l.* species.

The distiphallus of most *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species is unusually uniform in shape (Fig. 128). It is triangular and apically pointed in profile and anterolaterally spined in all but a very few species, and this shape is unique to *S. (Pseudosiphona)*. Few species have an apically truncate distiphallus, but these have the typical states of the pregonite.

The cerci of most *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species are sharply inflexed at midpoint (Fig. 140). This state can be seen during external examination of most males and is not present in many other New World *Siphona s.l.* species (see Table 1). This state is not diagnostic of *S. (Pseudosiphona)* since some of its species have smoothly curved cerci.

*S. (Pseudosiphona)* sp. 15, mentioned above as having a *Siphona s.s.* head habitus, is easily recognized as a *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species by its male genitalia. The pregonite is J-shaped rather than broadened, but has two tiny setae posteriorly as in most other *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species. The distiphallus is of the typical *S. (Pseudosiphona)* shape, though the cerci are smoothly curved in profile.

The cephalopharyngeal skeleton of first instars provides one of the best character states by which to recognize *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species, though is not likely to be routinely examined. The labrum is elongate and hook-like in most (but not all)
species (Fig. 162), and this state is unique to \textit{S. (Pseudosiphona)} species among \\textit{Siphona s.l.} species (see O'Hara in press "a").

**Description**

Length: 2.0-5.0 mm.

*Head* (Fig. 17).— Proclinate orbital setae subequal in length or anterior one longer. Eye of male medium to large, 0.73-0.86 head height; eye of female slightly smaller to slightly larger than in male. Flagellum: 1 of male short to medium-short, 0.38-0.48 head height; shape rather linear in most species, average to subquadrangular in a few. Flagellum 1 of female subequal or smaller than in male. Aristomere 1 short in most species, as long as wide in at least one species. Aristomere 2 relatively short, 1.5-2X longer than wide. Aristomere 3 short to long and evenly tapered, micropubescent to medium plumose. Clypeus narrow to slightly broadened, enclosed in membrane. Palpus short, clavate. Proboscis with prementum short to elongate (up to head height in length), between 0.5-0.7 head height in most species, labella slightly to moderately lengthened, in most species between 0.6-0.7 prementum length, quite elongate (0.8-1.0 prementum length) with basal half flexible or inflexible in life (latter state Sipkona-like) in a few species.

*Thorax.*— Prosternum setulose. Lower katepisternal seta subequal in length or longer than upper anterior seta. Three poststernal dorsoentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with one or two setulae. Fore tibia with preapical \textit{ad} seta much shorter than \textit{d} seta. Mid tibia with one \textit{ad} seta. Claws short. Wing vein Cu1 with distal portion 0.36-0.74 length of proximal portion (mean 0.60). Wing setae: \textit{R}1 dorsally bare, or distally or entirely setulose, ventrally bare. \textit{R}1+2 setulose to or beyond \textit{r-m} Cu1 bare.

*Abdominal segs 1-5.*— Abdomen ovoid in shape. \textit{T}1+2 without median marginal setae, lateral marginal setae absent from most species, weakly developed in a few \textit{T}1+2 with average setation.

*Male genitalia* (Figs. 66, 95, 128, 140).— \textit{S}p (Fig. 66) with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped (except almost V-shaped in \textit{S. (P.)} sp. 11, and resembling typical \textit{Actia} shape except median cleft more distinct); apical lobe distinctly differentiated in most species, rather short in \textit{S. (P.)} sp. 17, average length to elongate, narrow to broad, in most species straight, in a few curved posteriorly; basally free from epandrium. Ceri varied from short to elongate, in profile average width to thick and smoothly curved (a few species) to sharply inflexed at midlength (most species, Fig. 140); moderately (most species, Fig. 140) to densely (a few species) setose on basal half. Examined male genitalia of: \textit{S. brevirostris}, \textit{S. (P.)} sp. 1-13, 15-17.

*Female genitalia.*— Short to moderately extensible. \textit{S}p with short to long hairs apically, ventrally flat in most species, slightly keeled posteromedially in \textit{S. (P.)} sp. 15, sharply keeled posteromedially in \textit{S. (P.)} sp. 17. \textit{T}p absent or present as two lateral sclerites. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion subequal in width to width of hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite in profile broad along most of length and apically thick and smoothly curved (a few species) to sharply inflexed at midlength (most species, Fig. 140) varied from average length to elongate, narrow to broad, in most species straight, in a few curved posteriorly; basally free from epandrium. Ceri varied from short to elongate, in profile average width to thick and smoothly curved (a few species) to sharply inflexed at midlength (most species, Fig. 140); moderately (most species, Fig. 140) to densely (a few species) setose on basal half. Examined male genitalia of: \textit{S. brevirostris}, \textit{S. (P.)} sp. 1-13, 15-17.

**Taxonomic changes**

Lectotype designation for \textit{Siphona brevirostris} Coquillett. — \textit{Siphona (Pseudosiphona) brevirostris} was described in \textit{Siphona s.s.} by Coquillett in his

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“Revision of the Tachinidae” (1897: 76). In that work Coquillett routinely published USNM type numbers for his new species and appropriately labelled his holotypes in the collection (see general discussion of Coquillett’s type designations near the beginning of the Classification chapter). Coquillett’s type series of S. brevirostris consists of three specimens (two females and one male - not three females as published), two of which (both females) were attached to the same pin. The pin with the male specimen bears a paratype label and the other pin, with the two females, bears a type label and a handprinted Townsend label: “Pseudosiphona brevirostris Coq. Gnt. mss.” [Gnt. = Genotype, referring to Townsend’s selection of S. brevirostris as type species of Pseudosiphona Tnsd.]. It is evident that both Coquillett and Townsend intended one of the females on the double-mounted pin to be the holotype of S. brevirostris, but it is not clear which one. It seems appropriate to consider all three specimens as syntypes, and to select one of the females as lectotype. Accordingly, the two female specimens have been removed to separate pins and one selected, and here designated, lectotype of Siphona brevirostris Coquillett. A red bordered label has been attached to the pin bearing the lectotype, and reads: “LECTOTYPE/ Siphona/ brevirostris Coq./ O’Hara designation” (the diagonal slashes indicate separate lines on label). The lectotype also bears the following labels: (1) From Miss/ Murtfeldt, (2) 6, (3) Type/ No. 3574/ U.S.N.M. [red USNM label], (4) Siphona/ brevirostris/ Coq. [Coquillett’s handprinted label], (5) Pseudosiphona/ brevirostris Coq./ Gnt. mss. [Townsend’s handprinted label]. The lectotype is pinned with a minuten dorso-ventrally through the thorax, and is in good condition except for loss of the right mid leg and tarsi of the left mid and hind legs. The remaining two specimens of the type series, a male and female, are labelled as paralectotypes.

Hosts

Two new host records are known for S. (Pseudosiphona), based on label data accompanying adult specimens in the USNM: one from caterpillars of a lycaenid butterfly (collected in Costa Rica), and the other from larvae of Chloropteryx sp. (collected in Trinidad) (Table 2).

Arnaud (1978) records Siphona brevirostris from Oidaematomphorus homodactylus (Table 2), citing the work of Schaffner (1959). This record is probably in error because specimens of S. brevirostris are extremely scarce in collections, and their proper identification is very difficult (so few identified specimens are known that comparison with type specimens is almost essential for reliable determination - see discussion concerning the geographic distribution of S. brevirostris below).

Phylogenetics

Most S. (Pseudosiphona) species have a characteristic habitus (see Recognition section), but some species deviate from it and a few other Siphona s.l. species
approximate it, so no external synapotypies of *S. (Pseudosiphona)* are proposed here. Other character states, in the male genitalia and first instar, provide better evidence for monophyly of this group.

Two structures of the male genitalia, the pregonite and distiphallus, have states unique to *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species. Three characters are recognized on the pregonite: shape, presence or absence of spinules anterolaterally, and presence or absence of a seta(e) posteriorly. Though spinules are on the pregonite of all examined *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species, their presence in some other New World *Siphona s.l.* species indicates this state is not unique to this subgenus. States for the other two characters are unique to *S. (Pseudosiphona)* and are interpreted as synapotypies. The first is the characteristically broadened shape of the pregonite, and the second is the presence of more than one seta posteriorly. A few *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species lack one or the other of these states, but not both. A triangular and anterolaterally spined distiphallus (Fig. 128) is hypothesized as another synapotypy of *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species. The few species which depart from this shape are interpreted as derived for this character as they have the derived states of the pregonite.

First instars of five of the seven examined *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species have an elongate, hook-like, labrum (Fig. 162). This state is interpreted as apotypic because other *Siphona s.l.* species have a hatchet-like labrum. Two species of *S. (Pseudosiphona)* have a slightly broadened labrum (in dorsal-ventral plane), but this state is considered secondarily (and independently) derived in these species for reasons given in O’Hara (in prep.).

**Geographic distribution**

*Siphona (Pseudosiphona)* is primarily a Neotropical group, for which I am aware of only two species north of Mexico: *S. brevirostris* and undescribed species *S. (P.)* sp. 3. The known range of the latter is from California to east Texas, and southward into northcentral Mexico. The range of *S. brevirostris* is not well documented because of a paucity of collected specimens and a problem with the location of the type locality. The type locality is cited by Coquillett (1897) as Kirkwood, Missouri, but Sabrosky and Arnaud (1965) consider the type locality to be Rhode Island because one of the syntypes bears a label inscribed with “In box with micro-larvae from R.I.”. Perhaps Sabrosky and Arnaud are correct, as the only unquestionably conspecific specimen of *S. brevirostris* that I examined was collected in 1983 near Durham in Strafford Co., New Hampshire (CNC). A possibly conspecific specimen (unfortunately a female and hence less easily identified) was collected from southwestern New Mexico (USNM). From such information it is apparent that *S. brevirostris* is at least present in northeast USA, and may range southwestward to Missouri or even New Mexico.

Of the other approximately 18 undescribed species of *S. (Pseudosiphona)* known to me, all are Neotropical, with greatest diversity in Chiapas (Mexico), southeastern
Brazil, and southern Peru (this pattern is due at least in part to collecting bias). Several species seem to have very wide ranges, extending from Middle America to southeastern Brazil. Unworked material includes specimens from Colombia, Venezuela, British Guiana, Bolivia, and the Caribbean islands of Trinidad and Jamaica. Records from southeastern Brazil and northern Argentina mark the known southern distributional limit of \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) species.

**List of described species included in \textit{Siphona} (Pseudosiphona)**

\textit{N} \textit{brevirostris} Coquillett, 1897: 76. Lectotype female \textbf{(by designation in text)}, USA: Missouri, Kirkwood (USNM). Lectotype examined.

**List of examined, undescribed, species included in \textit{Siphona} (Pseudosiphona)**

\begin{itemize}
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 1: Males and females from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 2: Males and females from SE Brazil (CAS, CNC, USP), males from Ecuador (CNC), Peru (CNC) and El Salvador (CAS). One possibly conspecific male from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 3: Males and females from California, USA (AMNH, CAS, CNC, MCZ, UCB, UKL, USNM), single males from New Mexico, USA (JEOH) and Durango, Mexico (CNC), single female from Texas, USA (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 4: Males and females ranging from Sonora to Chiapas, Mexico (CAS, CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 5: Males from SE Brazil (CAS, CNC, USP) and Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 6: Two males from Belize (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 7: One male from SE Brazil (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 8: Males from Ecuador and Peru (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 9: One male from Peru (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 10: One male from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 11: One male from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 12: Three males from Peru (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 13: One male from SE Brazil (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 14: One female from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 15: Males and one female from northern Argentina (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 16: One female from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 17: One male, three females from SE Brazil (AMNH, BMNH, USP).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 18: Males and females from SE Brazil (CNC, USP), single males from Ecuador (CNC), Costa Rica (USNM) and Nicaragua (USNM).
  \item \( S. \) \( (Pseudosiphona) \) sp. 19: Three males from Amazonas, Brazil (INPA).
\end{itemize}

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Figs. 25-26, 28, 32, 34, 36, 43, 45, 67, 96, 129, 141, 144, 163.

\begin{itemize}
  \item \textit{Bucentes} Latreille, 1809: 339. Type-species, \textit{B. cinereus} Latreille, 1809 (monotypy) = \textit{Stomoxys minuta} Fabricius, 1805.
  \item \textit{Phantasiosiphona} Townsend, 1915: 93. Type-species \textit{P. tropica} Townsend, 1915 (original designation).
\end{itemize}
Recognition

*Siphona geniculata* is the type species of *Siphona s.s.*, and its name literally means "geniculate siphon". The name refers to the long prementum and labella of that species, but it could just as accurately have been applied to any *Siphona s.s.* species, as all are characterized by a long proboscis, with the labella at least as long as the elongate prementum. This state has generally been regarded as unique to *Siphona s.s.* species, but is shared with some other siphonines.

Many non-*Siphona s.s.* species have slight to moderate elongation of the labella, but only in a few are they as long as the prementum. These can be discerned as non-*Siphona s.s.* species by the characteristics they share with other siphonine lineages. The several *Actia* species of this type are easily recognized by their row of katepisternal hairs and the anal vein not extended to the wing margin. The few species of *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* with the labella almost as long as, to slightly longer than, the prementum have fully flexible labella (not inflexible on basal half in life as in *Siphona s.s.* species) and/or a seta posteriorly on the pregonite (absent from *Siphona s.s.* species). *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* Nepal sp. 1 has a very long proboscis of the typical *Siphona s.s.* appearance and is the most easily misplaced species of this taxon, but can be correctly placed by its seta on the pregonite. The proboscis of *S. (Pseudosiphona)* sp. 15 is also *S. (Siphona)*-like, and several other Neotropical species of that subgenus approach this state, but these species are readily recognized by characters in the male genitalia (see Recognition section of *S. (Pseudosiphona)*). The few species of Neotropical *Siphona s.l.* species in which the labella approach the *Siphona s.s.* condition are recognized by the presence on the pregonite of a seta posteriorly and/or spinules apically.

Description

Length: 2.5-6.5mm (rarely less than 3.0mm).

*Head* (Figs. 25-26; ten Palearctic species shown in Mesnil 1965, figs. 150-159; North American species shown in O'Hara 1983a, figs. 1, 18-59). — Procline orbital setae weak to strong, subequal in length or anterior orbital longer. Eye of male small to very large, 0.62-0.91 head height, eye of female smaller than in male. Flagellomere 1 of male markedly varied in length, 0.40-0.75 head height, linear to large and almost triangular. Flagellomere 1 of female smaller than in male. Aristomere 1 short in most species, 1-2X longer than wide in some species with long flagellomere 1, 3X longer than wide in *S. trichaeta*. Aristomere 2 varied from 2.0-10.0X longer than wide, (most species between 2.5-6.0). Aristomere 3 almost bare to micropubescent, long and even tapered in most species, short and thickened to near tip in a few. Clypeus narrow and enclosed in membrane. Palpus long, clavate. Prementum and labella each slender and elongate; latter at least as long as prementum, inflexible on basal half or more, with pseudotracheae concentrated apically and reduced in number. Proboscis length (prementum + labella) varied from 1.3-4.6X head height (most species between 2.0-3.0).

*Thorax* (Figs. 28, 32, 34, 36). — Prosternum setulose or bare, varied within some species. Lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior seta in most species (Fig. 32), subequal in length to it in a very few. Three or four poststatural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with single setula in most species (Fig. 32), with two in a few. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta. Mid tibia with one ad seta. Tarsomeres normal in size in most species, tarsomere 5 of fore leg slightly to moderately broadened in females of a very few; claws short in most species, medium to large in a few. Wing vein CuA1 with distal portion 0.26-0.67 length of proximal portion (i.e. dm-cu near wing margin; mean 0.41). Wing setulue: in most species R5, dorsally bare or with one or two setulue distally, in a very few entirely setulose;

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ventrally bare (most species) or distally setulose (a very few); \( R_{vis} \) setulose between base and \( R_{m} \) in most species, beyond \( R_{m} \) in a few; \( Cu_{1} \) bare in all species, with setulae in a very few (e.g. S. lutea and S. bevisi).

**Abdominal terga 1-5.**— Abdomen ovoid in shape in most species, markedly elongate in several Afrotropical species. \( T_{1-2} \) with or without median marginal setae (present primarily in members of S. geniculata group - see O’Hara 1983a: 323-4); one pair (rarely two pair) strong lateral marginal setae in most species, weak or absent in a few (weak or absent primarily in S. maculata group - see O’Hara 1983a: 321-322). \( T_{3} \), \( T_{4} \) average in most species, with extra pair of lateral marginal setae on \( T_{4} \) in a few species.

**Male genitalia** (Figs. 67, 96, 129, 141, 144).— \( S_{1} \) little varied (Fig. 67; also Andersen 1982, figs. 3-5), posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped in most species, obtusely angled in a few; apical lobe distinctly differentiated, in a very few species apex curved inward (known only in S. cuhbertsoni, S. mesnili (Andersen 1982, fig. 4) and S. oligomyia (O’Hara 1983a, fig. 11)); median lobe rounded, relatively unmodified; processes sparsely to moderately setulose. \( T_{4} \) thin to broad and dorsally continuous in most species, almost absent from a few (apparently not reduced to two lateral sclerites as in some other siphonines). Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion 1.0-2.0X wider than hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite (Fig. 96) in profile little varied, curved anteriorly and more or less pointed apically; bare. Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus (Fig. 129) reduced posteriorly, spined anterolaterally in a few species, in profile apically rounded, truncate or pointed posteriorly; laterally incised in a very few species (e.g. Philippines sp. 1). Postgonite apically rounded. Surstylus (Fig. 141, 144) average length to slightly elongate, more or less straight; basally free from epandrium. Cerci (Fig. 141, 144) average length, smoothly curved at midlength; moderately setose on basal half.


**Female genitalia** (Figs. 43, 45).— Short. \( S_{6} \) with average length hairs. \( T_{6} \) absent; spiracles of segment 6 in membrane dorsal to anterolateral margins of \( S_{6} \) with long anterior apodeme; not posteromedially keeled. \( T_{7} \) absent; spiracles of segment 7 in membrane dorsal to anterolateral margins of \( S_{7} \) distinctly developed, hairless. \( T_{10} \) absent or very slightly sclerotized.

Examined female genitalia of: S. melanura (examined externally but not dissected) are uniquely modified, in marked contrast to the conservative features in other members of the subspecies. \( S_{5} \) is longer than wide, shovel-like, extremely smooth and shiny black, apically rounded, with hairs confined to single row on membrane along posterior edge of sternum. \( S_{6} \) in form of flap-like covering over similarly-shaped, apically more sharply-rounded, blade-like \( S_{7} \).

Examined female genitalia of: S. nr. intrudens, S. lutea, S. maculata, S. nigricans, S. pisinnia and S. nr. tropica. Examined published figures of: S. hungarica (Andersen 1983, fig. 4), S. nigricans (fig. 12 in O’Hara 1983a, as S. kokkaidensis) and S. setosa (Andersen 1982, fig. 6, and Andersen 1983, fig. 7). Female reproductive system of S. ingerae shown in Andersen (1983, fig. 2).

**Taxonomic changes**

**Siphona nigrohalterata** Mesnli. — Among the new siphonines described by Mesnil in his 1959 paper about tachinids of East Africa were Siphona amplicornis amplicornis and Siphona amplicornis nigrohalterata (pp. 21-22). The types (both male) were collected from West Kibo, Nigeria - the former at 2800m between 17-22.IV.1952 and the latter at 3500m between 23-30.IV.1952. These “subspecies” do not seem to be geographically or temporally isolated, as a paratype of S. a. nigrohalterata bears the same locality data as the type of S. a. nigrohalterata. I infer from this that these sympatric “subspecies” either freely interbreed (i.e. cannot be
regarded as separate subspecies) or are reproductively isolated (i.e. represent two species). Examination and comparison of the holotypes suggest the latter; the type of *S. a. nigrohalterata* has a slightly longer proboscis, less elongate abdomen, shorter abdominal setae, and markedly different coloration (particularly on the abdomen). These differences are not major, but in total are not atypical of closely related *Siphona* species. Thus I conclude that *S. nigrohalterata* is probably a valid species reproductively isolated from *S. amplicornis*.

Synonymy of *Siphona janssensi* (Mesnil) with *Siphona cuthbertsoni* Curran.— *S. cuthbertsoni* is more easily recognized than most African *Siphona* species because of its very large eye, rather short flagellomere 1, proboscis length less than 2.5X head height, and generally dark color (including abdomen entirely dark in ground color). It is probable that Mesnil was unfamiliar with this species of Curran’s, except perhaps by name, as he did not mention it in his work about the *Siphona* of the "Belgian Congo".

Specimens of *S. cuthbertsoni* identified by direct comparison with the male holotype of that species were later compared with the male holotype of *S. janssensi*. On the basis of these comparisons, the name *S. janssensi* is here synonymized with that of *S. cuthbertsoni*.

Note about use of the subspecific category.— Subspecies have rarely been described in the Siphonini, though Mesnil occasionally used this category for taxa displaying slight morphological differences. Mesnil’s concept of subspecies was not based on geographic (and hence I assume not reproductive) isolation. I examined the types of most of Mesnil’s subspecies and have reclassified their names as synonyms or separate species. However, I was unable to examine the types of several subspecies of *Siphona fuliginea* Mesnil and *Siphona reducta* (Mesnil). I leave these taxa as classified by Mesnil pending study of the types.

Status of *Siphona unispina* (Mesnil) and *Siphona unispina infuscata* (Mesnil).— In 1952 Mesnil revised the *Siphona* species of the "Belgian Congo", naming many new species and one pair of subspecies: *S. unispina unispina* and *S. unispina infuscata* (Mesnil 1952a). As was Mesnil’s practice, these subspecies were recognized exclusively on morphological criteria without the now standard requirement of at least partial spatial or temporal separation. Type localities of these taxa are separated by less than 150km, with paratypes of both collected at one intermediate locality. This suggests that the subspecific category is inappropriate, and that the names *S. u. infuscata* and *S. unispina* are synonyms or *S. u. infuscata* is specifically distinct. Crosskey (1980) chose the former, but upon comparison of the types of both taxa I have decided to recognize *Siphona infuscata* as a valid species, based upon three characteristics that differ between the types: 1) proboscis length of *S. unispina* is 3.5X head height as compared with 4.3X head height in *S. infuscata*, 2) thorax of *S. unispina* is bluish gray, in *S. infuscata* mostly brown, and 3) R₄₊₅ is setulose beyond r-m in *S. unispina* and not beyond r-m in *S. infuscata*. Abdominal characteristics and especially male genitalia cannot be compared between types.
because the abdomen of the type of *S. unispina* is missing. Paratypes were not examined, but a male specimen from the Bwamba river area (SE Zaire) identified by Mesnil as *S. unispina* fits the description of that species and possesses the three characteristics listed above for distinguishing *S. unispina* from *S. infuscata*.

**Hosts**

Most hosts of *Siphona s.s.* are species of the Noctuidae, and all known lepidopteran hosts belong to the Macrolepidoptera (Table 2). Some members of the *S. geniculata* group are parasites of crane fly larvae (Tipulidae), and are unique in this habit in the Siphonini and among the few tachinids that parasitize other Diptera.

**Phylogenetics**

The long, geniculate proboscis of *Siphona s.s.* species, with labella at least as long as the elongate prementum, is synapotypic of the subgenus. Elongation of the proboscis has occurred independently in many siphonine lineages, but only in *Siphona s.s.* species are the labella rigid (in life) on basal half or more and at least as long as the prementum in all species. Hence this condition is considered the groundplan (and synapotypic) state of *Siphona s.s.*, and a shorter (with a few exceptions padlike) labella the groundplan state of other siphonine lineages.

Andersen (1983) also considered the reduced number of pseudotracheae in *Siphona s.s.* species as a synapotypy of the subgenus, but this state is not treated separately here because for many species it is (in siphonines) directly correlated with elongation of the labella. For example, padlike labella may have about 15 pair of pseudotracheae, elongate labella of *S. (Siphonopsis)* species (Fig. 18) about eight pair, and the long labella of *Siphona s.s.* species about four pair. This correlation is not constant as certain species of *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)*, for instance, with elongate labella have relatively numerous pseudotracheae. The trend is nevertheless evident, and because of this the number of pseudotracheae on the labella is not treated as a separate character in this study. No other synapotypies of *Siphona s.s.* species are known. The included species have a number of shared characteristics, of which male genitalic similarities are particularly marked (see figs. 60-80 in O’Hara 1983a), and these are congruent with the hypothesis of monophyly of this group. The few other siphonines with a *S. (Siphona)*-like proboscis are recognized as non-members of that group by synapotypies they share with other taxa, and their non-*S. (Siphona)*-like male genitalia.

Andersen’s (1982) revision of European *Siphona s.s.* species went to press at about the time I completed a revision of the North American *Siphona s.s.* species (O’Hara 1983a). Therefore my comparison of Nearctic and Palearctic species of *Siphona s.s.*, and discussion of species groups, did not include the four new European *Siphona s.s.* species described by him. Here I briefly mention the species groups to which Andersen’s species belong: *S. ingerae* is a member of the *S. maculata* group, and is closely related to the North American species *S. intrudens*; *S.
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**martini** is now considered conspecific with *S. nigricans* (Andersen, pers. comm.), and is a member of the *S. geniculata* group; and *S. mesnili* and *S. variata* are placed in the *S. geniculata* group (formerly called the *S. cristata* group), because these species were considered by Andersen (op. cit.) to be close to *S. confusa*. Andersen’s new species from Hungary, *S. hungarica* (Andersen 1984), is closely related to *S. ingerae* and *S. intrudens*, and belongs to the *S. maculata* group.

**Geographic distribution**

*Siphona s.s.* is widely distributed, with 84 described species. Forty-one of these are Afrotropical in distribution (see Crosskey 1980 for ranges; partial key in Mesnil 1952a), with more species recorded from Madagascar than any other siphonine taxon (Mesnil 1977a). Three apparently endemic species are on Madagascar and five species are shared with the mainland (Crosskey 1980), suggesting that *Siphona s.s.* includes some markedly vagile members. This suggestion is further evidenced by the presence of *Siphona s.s.* species on the Juan Fernández Islands west of Chile, the Canary Islands, and four species with Holarctic distributions (excluding *S. geniculata*, introduced by man to North America). It is therefore rather surprising that *Siphona s.s.*, with 41 species in the Afrotropical region and 20 in the Palearctic region, has only three described species in the Oriental region (Crosskey 1976a) and one in the Australian region (O’Hara 1983b). From examined material (and Shima, pers. comm.), the Oriental region and probably islands of the Indoaustralian archipelago north of Australia contain at least a modest number of undescribed species. There is as yet no indication of more than one *Siphona s.s.* species in Australia.


Twenty-one *Siphona s.s.* species are in North America (including “Middle America”). These were recently revised and their distributions discussed in O’Hara (1983a). Only two exclusively South American *Siphona s.s.* species are described, but there are specimens of at least ten undescribed species among material I have examined.

**List of described species included in Siphona (Siphona)**


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Zontehuitz (CNC). Holotype examined.
syn.  *janssensi* (Mesnil), 1952a: 4 (*Crocuta*). Holotype male (abdomen
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missing), Rwanda: Kibga (MRAC). Holotype examined. New synonymy.


O foliacea (Mesnil), 1953: 113 (Crocuta (Siphona)). Holotype male, Burma: Kambaiti (ZMU). Holotype examined.


syn. nigripalpis (de Meijere), 1924: 223 (Bucentes). Lectotype male (by designation of Crosskey, 1969: 89), Indonesia: Java, Pangrango (ZMA). Lectotype examined.

P,N geniculata (De Geer), 1776: 38 (Musca). Three syntypes, Sweden (NRS; types erroneously listed as lost in Andersen 1982 and O’Hara 1983a).

syn. urbanis (Harris), 1780: 153 (Musca). Type, England (lost).— Crosskey, 1976b: 100.

minuta (Fabricius), 1805: 282 (Stomoxys). Holotype female (head missing), Denmark (ZMUC).— Herting, 1984: 125. Holotype examined.

cinerea (Latreille), 1809: 338 (Bucentes). Type(s), France: Paris (not located).— Herting, 1984: 125.


Page 20 is cited by various authors for the description of S. geniculata, but this apparently refers to the German translation of De Geer’s work by Goeze in 1782 (Herting, in litt.).

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A gracilis (Mesnil), 1952a: 13 (Crocuta). Holotype male (head missing), Rwanda: Kibga (MRAC). Holotype examined.
P griseola Mesnil, 1970: 118 (as subspecies of S. maculata Staeger). Holotype male, Israel: Tel Aviv (CNC). Holotype examined.


S kuscheli (Cortés), 1952: 110 (Phantasiosiphona). Holotype male, Juan Fernandez Islands: Masatierra (CIE). Holotype examined.


P,N maculata Staeger in Zetterstedt, 1849: 3212. Lectotype male (by designation of


**A melanais** (Bezzi), 1908: 58 (*Bucentes*). Holotype female, Ethiopia (not located).


**N multifaria** O’Hara, 1983a: 293. Holotype male, Canada: Yukon, Dempster Hwy., mi. 87 (CNC). Holotype examined.

**A munroi** Curran, 1941: 6. Holotype female, South Africa: Fort Jackson (PPRI). Holotype examined.

**A musina** (Mesnil), 1952a: 15 (*Crocuta*). Holotype male, Zaire: Nyongera (MRAC). Holotype examined.

**P, N nigricans** (Villeneuve), 1930: 100 (*Bucentes*). Holotype male, Sweden: Gallivara (CNC). Holotype examined.


**A nigroseta** Curran, 1941: 8. Holotype female, South Africa: Pretoria (PPRI). Holotype examined.

**O nobilis** (Mesnil), 1953: 112 (*Crocuta* (*Siphona*)). Holotype male, Philippines: Mont Palis (ZMU). Holotype examined.

**A obesa** (Mesnil), 1952a: 8 (*Crocuta*). Holotype male, Zaire: Rwindi (MRAC). Holotype examined.


**A patellipalpis** (Mesnil), 1952a: 10 (*Crocuta*). Holotype male, Zaire: Mt. Sesero (MRAC). Holotype examined.

**P pauciseta** Rondani, 1865: 193. Eight syntypes, Italy (MZ); mixed series
according to Herting, 1969a: 198).


N.S *tropica* (Townsend), 1915: 93 (*Phantasiosiphona*). Holotype male, Mexico: Veracruz, San Rafael (USNM). Holotype examined.

A *unispina* (Mesnil), 1952a: 14 (*Crocuta*). Holotype male (abdomen missing), Zaire: Rutshuru (MRAC). Holotype examined.

P *variata* Andersen, 1982: 164. Holotype male, Denmark: Frederikshavn
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(ZMUC). Holotype examined.
A wittei (Mesnil), 1952a: 5 (Crocuta). Holotype male, Rwanda: Karisimbi (MRAC). Holotype examined.

Nomina dubia

P analis Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830: 92. Type(s), France (lost).
P consimilis Robineau-Desvoidy, 1850: 205. Holotype male, France (lost).
P fuscicornis Robineau-Desvoidy, 1850: 205. Syntypes, France (lost).
P humeralis Robineau-Desvoidy, 1850: 207. Syntypes, France (lost).
P pusilla Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830: 92. Type(s), France: Paris (lost).
   syn. persilla. Incorrect subsequent spelling of pusilla Robineau-Desvoidy (Coquillett, 1897: 76).
   syn. quadricincta. Incorrect subsequent spelling of quadrinotata Robineau-Desvoidy (Rondani, 1859: 10).
P silvatica Robineau-Desvoidy, 1850: 208. Holotype male, France (lost).
P testacea Robineau-Desvoidy, 1850: 207. Holotype male, France (lost).

Nomina nuda

S anthomyformis Lynch Arribalzaga in Brauer, 1898: 505 (13).
P dorsalis Brauer and Bergenstamm, 1891: 410.
P pauciseta Mesnil, 1964: 856 (as ssp. of S. geniculata).
O taiwanica (Baranov in Hennig), 1941: 195 (Crocuta).

List of examined, undescribed, species included in Siphona (Siphona)

S. (Siphona) nr. intrudens: Females from Alberta, Canada (JEOH).
S. (Siphona) nr. tropica: One female from Coquimbo, Chile (CNC).
S. (Siphona) Ecuador sp. 1: One male from sw. Alausi, Chimborazo (CAS).
S. (Siphona) Ecuador sp. 2: One male from Cerro Pelado, Carchi (CNC).
S. (Siphona) Ecuador sp. 3: One male from sw. Banos (CAS).
S. (Siphona) Kenya sp. 1: One male from Mt. Kenya, Nanyuki (CAS).
S. (Siphona) Kenya sp. 2: Males and females from Kenya and Tanzania (CAS).

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S. (Siphona) Nepal sp. 1: One male from 28°00'N 85°00'E (CNC).
S. (Siphona) Philippines sp. 1: One male from Mt. Apo, Mindanao (BLKU).
S. (Siphona) Taiwan sp. 1: One male from Mt. Alishan (BLKU).
Many undescribed species of S. (Siphona) examined from South America.

*Siphona* (subgenus *Siphonopsis* Townsend)

Figs. 18, 24, 30, 97-98, 130.


New subgeneric status in *Siphona* Meigen.

**Recognition**

This homogeneous group of three described and approximately 13 undescribed species is New World in distribution, with greatest diversity in the Neotropics.

The male genitalia of *S. (Siphonopsis)* species possess the only states which are unique to this taxon, though the following external characteristics distinguish adults of this taxon from those of most other New World *Siphona* s.l. species: abdomen generally dark in ground color on T₄ and T₅ and medially on T₃, with moderate pruinosity (sparse pruinosity in a few species, and resembling abdomen of most *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species); (head of *S. plusiae* shown in Fig. 18) parafacial with several hairs below lowest frontal seta (as in most *Siphona* s.l. species, but different from the more haired parafacial of most *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species); arista almost bare in most species (also in contrast to the haired arista of most *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species); labella of proboscis elongate, varied from two-thirds prementum length to slightly less than prementum length; three postsutural dorsocentral setae; lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior one; wing vein R₄+₅ not setulose beyond crossvein r-m and Cu₄₅ bare.

The most important diagnostic feature of *S. (Siphonopsis)* species externally is labella length. As mentioned above, it varies from two-thirds prementum length to slightly less than prementum length. This feature distinguishes members of this taxon from those of *Siphona* s.s., in which the labella are at least as long as the prementum. Of several minor external differences between members of *S. (Siphonopsis)* and *S. (Pseudosiphona)* (cf. Recognition sections), one of the better is the slightly shorter labella of most (though not all) *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species. Since several other *Siphona* s.l. species have labella as elongate as in *S. (Siphonopsis)* species, it is necessary to examine the male genitalia of *S. (Siphonopsis)*-like specimens for a reliable identification. It is not possible to reliably identify adult females of all New World *Siphona* s.l. species.

Adult males with the above external characteristics are recognized as members of *S. (Siphonopsis)* by the following genitalic states: sternum 5 with apex of apical lobe curved inward; preggonite (Figs. 97-98) slender to average in width, lacking spinules anterolaterally, with (most species) or without (a few species) tiny seta posteriorly (medium-sized seta in a few species); distiphallus little varied, in profile...
tapered to narrow truncate tip in most species (Fig. 130), more elongate and lateral apices separated in a few species; cerci not sharply inflexed at midpoint. The unique shape of the distiphallus of *S. (Siphonopsis)* species readily separates males with the above external characteristics from males of other *Siphona s.l.* lineages. Most likely to be confused externally with *S. (Siphonopsis)* species are several species of *S. (Pseudosiphona)*, but features of the pregonite, distiphallus and cerci unequivocally separate males of these subgenera. Similarly, the few other *Siphona s.l.* species with *S. (Siphonopsis)*-like labella (see Table 1) differ in male genitalic states (most important of which is distiphallus shape).

**Description**

Length: 2.5-4.5mm.

**Head** (Figs. 18, 24, 30).— Procline orbital setae subequal in length or anterior one longer. Eye of male medium to medium-large, 0.73-0.84 head height; eye of female subequal to slightly larger than in male. Flagellum 1 of male short to medium-long, 0.37-0.65 head height; shape from average width to large and triangular. Flagellum 1 of female smaller than in male in most species, subequal in a few. Aristomere 1 short in most species, as long as wide in at least two species. Aristomere two 1.5-6X longer than wide. Aristomere 3 short to long and evenly tapered, almost bare to short plumose. Clypeus narrow and enclosed in membrane. Palpus short, clavate. Proboscis (Figs. 18, 24, 30) with prementum short to medium in length, between 0.6-0.7 head height in most species (not more than about 0.75 head height), labella elongate, 0.7-0.9 head height and inflexible in life on about basal third.

**Thorax.**— Prosternum setulose. Lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior seta. Three poststernal dorsoventral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with single setula. Free tibia with apical seta. Mid tibia with one seta. Claws short. Wing vein CuA 1 with distinction. Cilpex narrow and enclosed in membrane. Pulposis short, clavate. Proboscis (Figs. 18, 24, 30) with prementum short to medium in length, between 0.6-0.7 head height in most species (not more than about 0.75 head height), labella elongate, 0.7-0.9 head height and inflexible in life on about basal third.

**Abdomen** (Figs. 97-98, 130).— Male genitalia (Figs. 97-98).— *S. conata* with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped; apical lobe large and distinctly differentiated, apex curved inward; median lobe broadly rounded to truncate and relatively unmodified in most species, with accessory lobe slightly to distinctly differentiated in a very few species (distinctly differentiated only in *S. conata*); processes moderately setulose. *T. conata* reduced from two lateral sclerites to single dorsally continuous sclerite. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion 1.0-2.0X width of hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite (Figs. 97-98) in profile curved anteriorly and more or less pointed apically, in a few species rather slender (Fig. 98). T. tarsal seta much shorter than the tarsus. Mid tibia with one ad tarsal seta. Mid tibia with one ad tarsal seta. Claws short. Wing vein CuA 1 with distinction. Cilpex narrow and enclosed in membrane. Pulposis short, clavate. Proboscis (Figs. 18, 24, 30) with prementum short to medium in length, between 0.6-0.7 head height in most species (not more than about 0.75 head height), labella elongate, 0.7-0.9 head height and inflexible in life on about basal third.

Examined male genitalia of: *S. conata*, *S. plusiae*, *S. (Siphonopsis)* spp. A-I,K-N.

**Female genitalia.**— Short. *S. conata* with average length hairs, T. tarsal seta, or present as two tiny to small lateral sclerites or a single median sclerite; spiracles of segment 6 in membrane dorsal to lateral margins of *S. conata* or in lateral sclerites of *T. conata* with long anterior apodeme in most species, short in a few; flat and unmodified in most species, in *S. conata* elongate and keeled posteromedially and apically incised. *T. conata* in most species, present as two tiny lateral sclerites in *S. conata*; spiracles of segment 7 in membrane between segments 6 and 7. *S. conata* distinctly developed, haired. *T. conata* present as median sclerite in most species, as two sclerites in a very few.

Examined female genitalia of: *S. conata*, *S. plusiae*, *S. (Siphonopsis)* spp. A,B,E,M and N.

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Hosts

*S. conata* and *S. plusiae* attack a serious pest of oak, the California oakworm (*Phryganidia californica*). *S. plusiae* is also recorded from two other insect pests in California, the cabbage looper (*Trichoplusia ni*) and alfalfa looper (*Autographa californica*) (Table 2). Though attacking economically important pest species, *S. conata* and *S. plusiae* do not parasitize their hosts at sufficient densities to be considered good biological control agents.

*S. brasiliensis* is listed as a parasitoid of two noctuid species in South America (Table 2). However, the name might be a misidentification because *S. (Siphonopsis)* is very diverse in South America and *S. brasiliensis* is the only described species.

Phylogenetics

The distiphallus of males of *S. (Siphonopsis)* species is narrowed to a truncate tip (Fig. 130). The uniqueness of this state within the Siphonini, and its uniformity throughout the subgenus, provides the best evidence for monophyly of this taxon. A number of other similarities externally and in the male genitalia also suggest that the included species are closely related; however, none can be defended as synapotypic of *S. (Siphonopsis)*. For instance, adults of *S. (Siphonopsis)* species have characteristically elongate labella (Fig. 18), which are shorter (relative to prementum length) than in *Siphona s.s.* species and longer than in most *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species. However, because this state is also present in several other *Siphona s.l.* species belonging to several lineages (see Table 2), it is possible that this state is not independently derived in *S. (Siphonopsis)* but rather synapotypic of this taxon and one of these lineages. Much convergence has occurred among *Siphona s.l.* lineages in the development of elongate labella, so this character can not be used reliably for the grouping of the supraspecific taxa of this genus.

Geographic distribution

Three described and at least 13 undescribed species are included in *S. (Siphonopsis)*. *S. plusiae* is the most widely distributed of the described species, ranging in the west from Oregon to southern Mexico. A closely related, undescribed, species is sympatric with *S. plusiae*, but restricted in known range to California and Arizona. *S. conata* is the only other species of this subgenus known north of Mexico; it is recorded from the San Francisco Bay area, Santa Cruz Island and San Bernardino Mtns. of California.

As in *S. (Pseudosiphona)*, the greatest diversity of *S. (Siphonopsis)* species is in the Neotropics, particularly southern Mexico and southeastern Brazil (the latter area includes the type locality of the only described Neotropical species, *S. brasiliensis*). At least two species range from southern Mexico to southern Brazil. Several species are recognized from western South America from specimens collected in Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and as far south as central Chile. Specimens have also been collected from Jamaica and Puerto Rico in the Caribbean.
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List of described species included in Siphona (Siphonopsis)

S  *brasiliensis* (Townsend), 1929: 374 (*Siphonopsis*). Holotype female, Brazil: São Paulo (USNM). Holotype examined.


N  *plusiae* Coquillett, 1895a: 125. Lectotype male (by designation of Coquillett, 1897: 76), USA: California (USNM). Lectotype examined.

List of examined, undescribed, species included in New World Siphona (Siphonopsis)

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. A: Males and females ranging from Oregon, USA, to northern Mexico (CAS, CNC, JEOH, MSU, PHA, UCB, UCD, UCR, UKL, USNM, WSUP). [Specimens of this “species” are noticeably and consistently different from those of *S. plusiae*, but have been frequently collected along with the latter - including at aggregation sites - so may represent variants of *S. plusiae*.

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. B: Males and females ranging from Durango to Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. C: Males from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. D: One male from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. E: Males and females from SE Brazil (BMNH, CAS, CNC, USP). Males from southern Mexico, Guatemala and Costa Rica are possibly conspecific (CNC, MSU, UCB, USNM).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. F: One male from Veracruz, Mexico (CNC).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. G: Two males from Ecuador (CNC).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. H: Two males from Peru (CNC).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. I: One male from Peru (CNC).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. J: [No S. (Siphonopsis) sp. J.]

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. K: Males from southern Mexico and SE Brazil (BMNH, CNC, UCB, USP).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. L: Males from SE Brazil (CNC).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. M: Males and females from Brazil (CAS, CNC, USP) and Argentina (BMNH), and possibly Ecuador (CNC) and Peru (AMNH, USNM).

*S. (Siphonopsis)* sp. N: One male from Ecuador, males and two females from Chile (CNC).

Unstudied material includes specimens from the Caribbean: Puerto Rico (USNM) and Jamaica (USNM).

Siphona (subgenus Uruactia Townsend)
Figs. 68, 99, 131.


Recognition

This taxon of one described and one undescribed species is known only from three male specimens collected in Ecuador and Peru. Adults are relatively large, 4.0-5.0mm in length, with mostly yellow legs, rather dark thoracic dorsum, wings slightly darkened, abdomen yellow laterally on *T*1+2 and *T*3 and rest reddish brown, and sparse abdominal pruinosity. The prementum is about half head height in length, and labella are padlike. These external features help in the recognition of *S. (Uruactia)* species, but examination of the male genitalia is necessary for a positive

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identification.

The distiphallus of *S. (Uruactia)* species is the most distinctive feature of this taxon. It is smoothly tapered in profile, and with (Fig. 131) or without apical spines. It is similar in appearance to the distiphallus of *S. (Aphantorhapha)* species, but these taxa differ in other genitalic features and externally (cf. Recognition sections). Other male genitalic states of *S. (Uruactia)* species include the flattened median lobe of sternum 5 (Fig. 68), bare pregonite (Fig. 99), and inflexed cerci. These states complement the characteristic shape of the distiphallus and help to distinguish members of this taxon from other *Siphona s.l.* species.

The two known species of *S. (Uruactia)* are distinguished from one another by number of postsutural dorsocentral setae, setulation on wing vein R_{4+5}, relative development of lateral marginal setae on abdominal T_{1+2}, and slight differences in male genitalia (as indicated in description below).

**Description**

**Length:** 4.0-5.0mm.

**Head.**—Proclinate orbital setae subequal in length or anterior one longer. Eye of male medium-large, 0.84 head height (same size in all three examined specimens). Flagellomere 1 of male medium-short to medium, 0.48-0.50 head height; shape average (sp. 31) or broad (*S. uruhuasi*). Aristomere 1 short. Aristomere two 2X longer than wide. Aristonere 3 long and evenly tapered, micropubescent. Clypeus narrow and enclosed in membrane or slightly broadened. Palpus short, clavate. Proboscis with prementum medium in length, slightly longer than half head height, labella padlike.

**Thorax.**—Presternum setulose. Lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior seta. Three (*S. uruhuasi*) or four (sp. 31) postsutural dorsocentral setae. Upper part of anepisternum with one or two setulae. Fore tibia with preapical ad seta much shorter than d seta. Mid tibia with one ad seta. Claws short. Wing vein Cu_{A_{1}} with distal portion 0.26-0.46 (mean 0.36). Wing setulae: R_{1} distally setulose dorsally, ventrally bare; R_{4+5} setulose between base and r-m in sp. 31, beyond r-m in *S. uruhuasi*; Cu_{A_{1}} bare.

**Abdominal terga 1-5.**—Abdomen ovoid in shape. T_{1+2} without median marginal setae, lateral marginal setae absent from *S. uruhuasi*, strong in sp. 31. T_{5} with average setation.

**Male genitalia (Figs. 68, 99, 131).**—S_{5} (Fig. 68) with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped; apical lobe distinctly differentiated; median lobe flattened posteroomedially, more prominently so in sp. 31 (Fig. 68); processes moderately setulose. T_{6} apparently absent. Ejaculatory apodeme with fan-shaped portion subequal in width to width of hypandrial apodeme. Pregonite in profile apically pointed, smoothly curved anteriorly in *S. uruhuasi*, only slightly curved anteriorly in sp. 31 (Fig. 99); bare. Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus reduced posteriorly, entirely lateral in *S. uruhuasi*, slightly incised laterally with short posterosabdominal arm in sp. 31 (Fig. 131), in profile rather narrow and apically pointed, apical margin with small (*S. uruhuasi*) to large (sp. 31) spines. Postgonite average. Surstylus long and straight, basally free from epandrium. Cerci average length, in profile sharply inflexed at midlength; moderately setose on basal half. Examined male genitalia of: *S. uruhuasi* and sp. 31.

**Female genitalia.**—Not examined.

**Hosts.**—Unknown.

**Phylogenetics**

The two species are interpreted as sister species on the basis of shared states in the male genitalia (particularly shape of median lobes on sternum 5 and shape of distiphallus) and concordant external similarities. This taxon is retained as a
subgenus because its sister group within *Siphona s.l.* is unknown.

**Geographic distribution**

The type species of *S. (Uruactia)* is known only from the male holotype, collected from Uruhuasi, Peru, on 3.II.1910, at an elevation of 1980m, on flowers of *Baccharis* sp. The only other species, sp. 31 (originally numbered in series of unplaced New World *Siphona s.l.*), is represented by two male specimens, one with the same label data as the type of *S. uruhuasi* (USNM) and the other collected from Cerro Tinajillas in the Azuay province of southern Ecuador (18-21.III.1965 at 3100m; CNC).

**List of described species included in *Siphona (Uruactia)***


**List of examined, undescribed, species included in *Siphona (Uruactia)***

*S. (Uruactia) sp. 31*: One male each from Peru (USNM) and Ecuador (CNC).

New and described New World species unplaced to subgenus in *Siphona s.l.*

**New World Siphona species group 1**

Figs. 69, 100-101, 132.

This group of approximately nine known species (all undescribed) is Neotropical in distribution, ranging from southern Mexico to southeastern Brazil. They are typical members of *Siphona s.l.*, with no external features interpretable as synapotypic of the g.oup. They include spp. 19, 21, 24-30, and are diagnosed as follows (also see Table 1): male eye medium-small to medium-large; male flagellomere 1 medium-short to medium-long, markedly varied in shape from linear or broadened to very broad and subquadruangular or almost triangular; aristomere 1 as long as wide in spp. 26 and 27, short in others; proboscis with labella varied from padlike (a few species) to almost length of prementum (most species), flexible in life on apical half or more; three or four postsutural dorsocentral setae; lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior seta; postscutellum unusually narrow and projected in spp. 29 and 30; R$_1$ and R$_{4+5}$ with setulation varied, CuA$_1$ bare; crossvein dm-cu near wing margin in most species, moderately removed from it in a few.

Male genitalia of all nine species examined. Similarities in male genitalic features (particularly of the distiphallus) suggest monophyly of the group. S$_3$ (Fig. 69) with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped; apical lobe

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1Numbering of species is explained in Methods chapter.

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distinctly differentiated, apex curved inward in a few species; median lobe markedly
varied from narrow to elongate, rounded to truncate, or rather flattened
posteromedially; slightly differentiated accessory lobe in sp. 27, others without.
Pregonite (Figs. 100-101) in profile slender to average width, apically rounded to
pointed; patch of small spines on apical half or less of sclerotized portion in most
species (Fig. 100), spines absent from others (Fig. 101), tiny to moderate-sized seta
posteriorly in a few species (absent from most). Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus (Fig.
132) relatively distinctive, not incised laterally, without enlarged teeth, in profile
nearly parallel-sided on apical half or more and truncate apically. Postgonite
markedly reduced in most species, average in a few. Surstylus varied from short to
long, narrow to broad, straight to curved posteriorly; basally free from epandrium.
Cerci thick on apical half in sp. 21, average in others, smoothly curved at midlength.

Female genitalia (examined in spp. 24,27,30) short, unmodified except sternum 8
broader than average in sp. 30.

List of examined, undescribed, species included in New World Siphona species
group 1

*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 19: One male from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).
*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 21: Males and females from SE Brazil, one male from Colombia (CNC).
*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 24: Males and females from northern Argentina (CNC), one male from Ecuador
(USNM).
*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 25: One male from northern Argentina (CNC).
*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 26: Males from Ecuador (BMNH, CNC).
*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 27: One male and one female from Ecuador (CNC).
*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 28: One male from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC), possibly conspecific males from
Guatemala (USNM) and Costa Rica (USNM).
*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 29: Males and one female from Ecuador (CNC).
*Siphona* species group 1, sp. 30: Males and females from Ecuador (CNC).

New World Siphona species group 2

Figs. 19, 70, 102-103, 133-134.

This group comprises about ten species\(^4\) distributed between southern Arizona
and southeastern Brazil. They are typical members of *Siphona* *s.l.*, with the
following characteristics (also see Table 1): (head of sp. 1 shown in Fig. 19) male
eye medium-large to large; male flagellomere 1 medium-short to medium, linear to
subquadrangular in shape; aristomere 1 short; proboscis with labella about
two-thirds length of prementum in sp. 8, padlike in others; three postsutural
dorsocentral setae; lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior seta; wing
setulation varied; crossvein *dm-cu* slightly removed from wing margin in most
species.

\(^4\)These species are numbered from one to ten, separately from those of species groups 1 and 3 and unplaced
New World species, as explained in Methods chapter.
Male genitalia of all ten included species examined. $S_2$ (Fig. 70) with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped; apical lobe distinctly differentiated, apex curved inward in a few species; median lobe markedly varied from broadly rounded to elongate, and truncate or flattened posteromedially, with accessory lobe distinctly differentiated in a few species. Pregonite (Figs. 102-103) varied in profile, smoothly to sharply curved anteriorly, average to broad on basal half; with or without patch of small spines on apical half or less of sclerotized portion and in sp. 2 (Fig. 103) with longitudinal row of spines, bare posteriorly or with tiny to moderate-sized seta. Epiphallus absent. Most included species are recognized as members of this species group by features of the distiphallus: most possess posterolaterally on each side a ventrally or anteroventrally directed projection or hook (Figs. 133-134); a few species lack this feature of the distiphallus but are included in this species group (with varied degrees of confidence) because of other external and genitalic similarities; posterior margin of distiphallus entire in sp. 2, incised in others. Postgonite markedly reduced in spp. 3 and 10, short in sp. 2, average in others. Surstylus average length to elongate, straight to curved posteriorly; basally free from epandrium. Cerci rather short to average length, straight to smoothly curved.

Female genitalia (examined in spp. 3 and 6) short, unmodified except sternum 8 broader than average.

The conservative external features of members of $Siphona$ species group 2 make this group difficult to recognize. In addition certain species are less apotypic than most in their male genitalic features, so their inclusion here is tentative and is based on general similarities.

**List of examined, undescribed, species included in New World $Siphona$ species group 2**

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 1: Males and females ranging from southern Arizona, USA, to Chiapas, Mexico (CAS, CNC, UAT).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 2: One male from Michoacan, Mexico (USNM).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 3: Males and females from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 4: One male from Chiriqui, Panama (USNM), males and one female from Peru (CNC).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 5: One male from Panama (USNM), males and one female from Peru (CNC).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 6: Males and females from SE Brazil (CNC, INPA, USP).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 7: Males from Peru (CNC).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 8: Males from Peru (CNC).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 9: One male from Costa Rica (USNM).

*Siphona* species group 2, sp. 10: One male from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

**New World $Siphona$ species group 3**

Figs. 104-105, 135.

Five undescribed New World species are recognized as belonging to a monophyletic lineage possibly related to $Siphona$ species group 1 (see below).

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Included are spp. 3, 4, 6, 12 and 22 (SE Brazil). Externally these flies are quite varied, particularly in head features and wing setulation, and for this reason specimens of some of these species appear more externally similar to excluded species than to their own group members. As a rule, male genitalic characteristics are more reliable indicators of relationship within Siphona s.l. than are external features (species of S. (Pseudosiphona) and S. (Siphonopsis) being good examples), so little weight is given here to such homoplastic external similarities.

Siphona species group 3 is diagnosed as follows (also see Table 1): male eye medium to medium-large; male flagellomere 1 markedly varied, medium-short to long; shape linear to very broadly triangular; proboscis with labella slightly lengthened in some specimens of sp. 22, padlike in others; three postsutural dorsocentral setae; varied wing setulation; position of crossvein dm-cu varied; legs and abdomen average; (male genitalia examined in all five species) sternum 5 with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped, apical lobe not apically curved inward, median lobe rounded to elongate and truncate, distinctly differentiated accessory lobes in sp. 4; pregonite (Figs. 104-105) in profile rather sharply curved at midlength or smoothly curved anteriorly, with longitudinal ridge of spines laterally (resembling pregonite of Entomophaga and Proceromyia except possessing tiny to moderate-sized seta posteriorly in most specimens [i.e. of two examined specimens of sp. 22, one has tiny seta and the other is bare, Fig. 105] - this seta only present among Siphona group taxa); pregonite without group of small spines apically; epiphallus absent; distiphallus (Fig. 135) not incised laterally, characteristically squared-off basally, with short, parallel-sided apical portion ending in truncate tip, moderately developed spines anteriorly in sp. 22, only spines present in others; postgonite average to reduced; surstylus and cerci average; female genitalia short and unmodified (examined only in sp. 3).

Two members of Siphona species group 1 (spp. 26 and 27) have similar distiphallus structure to species of group 3, but differ in features of the pregonite. Species of group 3 possess a spined longitudinal ridge on the outer surface of the pregonite, a state not found in other species of Siphona s.l. except in Siphona sp. grp. 2, sp. 2 (Fig. 103). There are both external similarities and dissimilarities between members of both groups 1 and 3, but these involve such homoplastic characters that their phylogenetic interpretation is difficult. I have not studied the groups in sufficient detail to offer any definite views about the interrelationships of groups 1 and 3, but I suggest that certain male genitalic similarities may indicate that the species of group 3 are derived members of group 1 or the groups are sister groups.

I have presented the information above about Siphona group 3, as I have elsewhere for groups 1 and 2, to provide a tentative framework upon which a formal taxonomic investigation of the numerous undescribed and unplaced New World flies can be based.

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5 Numbering of these species is explained in Methods chapter.
Siphona s.l. species can be built. These notes about undescribed New World siphonines ought to prove useful in the eventual revision of this large and unworked assemblage of Siphona species.

**List of examined, undescribed, species included in New World Siphona species group 3**

*Siphona* species group 3, sp. 3: Males and females ranging from Washington state to southern California and Arizona, USA (CAS, CNC, PHA, UCB, UCR, USNM, WSUP).

*Siphona* species group 3, sp. 4: One male each from Veracruz and Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

*Siphona* species group 3, sp. 6: One male from Florida, USA (AMNH), one possibly conspecific male from Chiapas, Mexico (USNM).

*Siphona* species group 3, sp. 12: Two males from Iowa, USA (PHA), one male from Ohio, USA (CNC) and one female from Ontario, Canada (CNC).

*Siphona* species group 3, sp. 22: Males from SE Brazil (CAS, CNC, USP).

**Unplaced New World species of Siphona sensu lato**

Figs. 20, 106, 136.

I have left two described species unplaced within New World *Siphona* s.l.: *Siphona panamensis* (Curran) and *Siphona pulla* (Reinhard). Though typical members of *Siphona* s.l., these species cannot be associated with any of the subgenera here recognized nor the three additional species groups discussed. Both are difficult to place because they are only known from female holotypes, and if males were available then unequivical placement of these species might be possible.

Specimens of many undescribed species were examined during the course of this revision. Those belonging to relatively easily recognized genera are incorporated into the descriptions of those genera and not themselves described or specially treated. This practise is more difficult within *Siphona* s.l. because monophyletic lineages are difficult to recognize and many species cannot be associated with the lineages that are. The complexity is all the more difficult to discuss since most of the species are undescribed. As this work is primarily a generic level revision it is impractical at this time to describe these new species, though discussing them in an informal manner will convey some idea of their diversity. Where possible, descriptions of certain subgenera (particularly *S. (Pseudosiphona)* and *S. (Siphonopsis)*) have been modified for inclusion of appropriate undescribed species, but even though this has been done and *Siphona* groups 1 to 3 informally diagnosed, at least 15 undescribed New World species remain that I have studied but not been able to place. I outline below some of the diversity contained within this group of mostly unrelated species because they may remain undescribed for some time. As new groups or subgenera are erected for some of these species and other species identified as related to groups recognized here, the descriptions of the latter will have to be modified for such inclusions. For the present I have retained a rather conservative approach toward recognition of New World *Siphona* subgenera in order to keep them as monophyletic lineages (and thus, I believe, more meaningful.

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entities) in the midst of a plethora of undescribed forms.

The species discussed here include *S. panamensis*, *S. pulla*, and 15 numbered species: spp. 1,2,5,7,8,10,13-17,20,23,32 and 34\(^6\). Their range of variation is given in Table 1 under the heading of “*Siphona s.l.*, unplaced”, and the assemblage is briefly diagnosed here: (head of sp. 23 shown in Fig. 20) male eye medium-small to very large; male flagellomere 1 short to medium, shape linear, broadened, subquadrangular or broad and triangular; proboscis with labella padlike in most species, slightly lengthened in a few, about as long as prementum in spp. 13 and 23 (Fig. 20); three postsutural dorsocentral setae in most species, four in a few; lower katepisternal seta longer than upper anterior seta in most species, subequal in length in a few, shorter in spp. 14 and 17; \(R_1\) and \(R_{4+5}\) with setulation varied, \(Cu_A\) bare; crossvein \(dm-cu\) positioned near or removed from wing margin; legs average.

Male genitalia of 14 species examined (spp. 1-2,5,7-8,10,13-17,23,32,34). \(S_5\) with posterior margins of processes approximately U-shaped in most species, obtusely angled in a few, nearly V-shaped in spp. 7 and 15 (though median cleft more distinct than in *Actia* species); apical lobe distinctly differentiated, apex curved inward in some species; median lobe varied, rounded, elongate, truncate, or slightly flattened posteroomedially, accessory lobe present in sp. 5; pregonite (Fig. 106) varied, in profile slender to broad, apically pointed to rounded, small spines on sclerotized portion apically in a few species, with tiny to moderate-sized seta posteriorly in most species, seta absent from a few. Epiphallus absent. Distiphallus (Fig. 136) markedly varied, laterally incised or complete, with or without enlarged spines apically, in profile varied apically from pointed or rounded to truncate. Postgonite average in most species, reduced in spp. 32 and 34. Surstylus and cerci average in most species, surstylus basally free from epandrium.

Female genitalia examined in seven species (spp. 1-2,5,10,14,20,23), short; \(S_6\) sharply keeled posteroomedially in sp. 20, flat in others; \(T_6\) absent, or present as lateral sclerites or (in sp. 3) as a dorsally continuous sclerite; \(S_7\) with rather short anterior apodeme in sp. 20, long in others, sharply keeled posteroomedially only in sp. 20; \(S_8\) average in most species, very broad in sp. 5, with thick setae in sp. 20.

The highest concentration of species (six) is in southern Mexico, with seven other species distributed throughout North America from Alaska to northcentral Mexico and four species distributed between southeastern Brazil and lower Central America.

Hosts are known only for New World species 7 and 8, and include larvae of several species of the Geometridae and one of the Noctuidae. Species 7 and 8 are recorded from southern British Columbia, Canada.

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\(^6\) Numbering of these species is explained in Methods chapter.
List of described species unplaced to subgenus in New World *Siphona sensu lato*:

*S Actia panamensis* Curran, 1933a: 3. Holotype female, Panama: Barro Colorado Is. (AMNH). Holotype examined. (Removed from *Actia*.)


List of examined, undescribed, species unplaced in New World *Siphona sensu lato*

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 1: Males and females from western North America (CNC, PHA, UCB, USNM, WSUP).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 2: Males and females ranging from Alaska to Wisconsin, USA (CNC, USNM).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 5: Males and females from southern Mexico (CNC), one male from El Salvador (USNM).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 7: Males and females from southern British Columbia, Canada, one male from California, USA, and one possibly conspecific male from Arizona, USA (CNC).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 8: Males and females from southern British Columbia, Canada (CNC).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 10: One male from Ontario, Canada (CNC) and one female from New Brunswick, Canada (JEOH).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 13: One male from Florida, USA (CNC).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 14: Males and females from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 15: One male from Oaxaca, Mexico (JEOH).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 16: One male from Durango, Mexico (CNC).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 17: One male from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 20: One female from Chiapas, Mexico (CNC).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 23: Males and females from SE Brazil, Ecuador, Costa Rica and Canal Zone (AMNH, BMNH, CNC, USNM, USP).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 32: Males from SE Brazil (USP).

Unplaced *Siphona* sp. 34: Males and females from SE Brazil (CNC, USNM, USP), one male from Ecuador (CNC) and one female from Costa Rica (USNM).

_*Actia heterochaeta* Bezzi, unplaced species of the Siphonini

I have been unable to locate the female type of this species, described from Ethiopia by Bezzi (1908: 59). The type apparently does not reside in Milan (MCSN) with many of the other Bezzi types (Arnaud 1982).

_*Actia heterochaeta* was described by Bezzi under a concept of *Actia* now equivalent to the entire Siphonini. The original description fails to mention a single generic characteristic that would help in the placement of this species. Bezzi compares *A. heterochaeta* with *A. bicolor* (now in *Ceromya*) in his original description, and then with *A. stiglinae* (now in *Peribaea*) in a later publication (1928: 204). It is clear that Bezzi’s concept of “allied species” was based on shared similarities and not commonality of descent, so his species comparisons provide no clue about the correct placement of *A. heterochaeta*.

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I examined a male specimen in the BMNH collected from Nigeria and identified by Villeneuve as *A. heterochaeta*. This specimen is probably the one mentioned by Crosskey (1980: 855) as a questionable new locality record for the species. However, Villeneuve’s identification is probably in error because the specimen (a *Peribaea* species) differs from the description of *A. heterochaeta* in two important respects: $R_1$ is bare in *A. heterochaeta* and distally setulose in Villeneuve’s specimen, and coloration differs markedly (even given that Bezzi’s specimen was a female and Villeneuve’s specimen a male). Without any concrete indication of the generic characteristics of *A. heterochaeta*, I must leave this species unplaced in the Siphonini, as did Crosskey (1980: 855).
3. Proceromyia pubioculata

4. Entomophaga exoleta

Figs. 1–4. Head profiles of male siphonines (vestiture of postcranium omitted). Scale bars = 0.5mm: 1, Goniocera io; 2, Proceromyia macronychia; 3, Proceromyia pubioculata; 4, Entomophaga exoleta.

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Figs. 5–8. Head profiles of male siphonines (vestiture of postcranium omitted). Scale bars = 0.5mm: 5, *Entomophaga nigrohalterata*; 6, *Ceromya flaviceps*; 7, *Ceromya* New Guinea sp. 15; 8, *Actia lamia*.
11. *Peribaea cervina*

12. *Peribaea tibialis*

Figs. 9–12. Head profiles of male siphonines (vestiture of postcranium omitted). Scale bars = 0.5mm: 9, *Actia Nepal* sp. 1; 10, *Actia parviseta* (from holotype, proboscis reoriented); 11, *Peribaea cervina* (from holotype, vibrissae missing); 12, *Peribaea tibialis*.

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Figs. 13–16. Head profiles of male siphonines (vestiture of postcranium omitted). Scale bars = 0.5mm: 13, *Siphona (Actinocrocuta) singularis* complex; 14, *Siphona (Aphantorhapha) arizonica*; 15, *Siphona (Baeomyia) xanthogaster* (from holotype); 16, *Siphona (Ceranthia) flavipes*.
Figs. 17–20. Head profiles of male siphonines (vestiture of postcranium omitted). Scale bars = 0.5mm: 17, Siphona (Pseudosiphona) brevirostris; 18, Siphona (Siphonopsis) plusiae; 19, Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 2, sp. 1; 20, Siphona s.l., unplaced sp. 23.
21. Actia interrupta

22. S. (Baeomyia) xanthogaster

Figs. 21–22. Right wings of siphonines. Scale bars = 0.5mm: 21, Actia interrupta, with wing veins labelled; 22, Siphona (Baeomyia) xanthogaster.

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Figs. 39–42. Comparison of male pregonite structure. Scale bars = 40 μm: 39, left lateral view of pregonite of Ceromya americana complex, illustrating spinules on membranous portion (memb p, membranous portion; scl p, sclerotized portion; spin, spinules); 40, ventrolateral view of pregonite of Ceromya americana complex; 41, left lateral view of pregonite of Actia diffidens, illustrating large spines (sp) on sclerotized portion; 42, ventral view of pregonite of Actia diffidens. Figs. 43–46. Comparison of female genitalia. Scale bars = 100 μm: 43, ventral view of female genitalia of Siphona (Siphona) maculata, illustrating unmodified sterna (sterna numbered; cer, cercus); 44, ventral view of female genitalia of Siphona (Ceranthia) flavipes, illustrating keel (kl) posteromedially on sternum 7; 45, lateral view of female genitalia of Siphona (Siphona) maculata; 46, lateral view of female genitalia of Siphona (Ceranthia) flavipes.

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Figs. 47–58. Ventral view of male sternum 5. Scale bars = 0.1 mm: 47, Goniocera schistacea (Y68, CNC) (ap l, apical lobe; bs p, basal plate; descl a, desclerotized area; med c, median cleft; med l, median lobe); 48, Proceromyia macronychia (Y40, CNC); 49, Proceromyia pubioculata (Y85, JEOH); 50, Entomophaga exoleta (Y132, ZMUC); 51, Entomophaga nigrohalterata (Y27, CNC); 52, Ceromya siliacea (Y179, CNC); 53, Ceromya flaviceps (Y107, CNC); 54, Ceromya New Guinea sp. 18 (Y175, BLKU); 55, Ceromya americana complex (Y26, CNC); 56, Ceromya amblycera (Y45, UCS); 57, Ceromya lutea (Y121, CNC); 58, Actia lamia (Y17, JEOH).
59. *Actia autumnalis*
60. *Peribaea apicalis*
61. *Peribaea Australia sp. 1*
62. *S. (Actinocrocuta) singularis complex*
63. *S. (Aphantorhapha) arizonica*
64. *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) Nepal sp. 1*
65. *S. (Ceranthia) flavipes*
66. *S. (Pseudosiphona) sp. 4*
67. *S. (Siphona) cristata*
68. *S. (Uruactia) sp. 31*
69. *Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 1, sp. 28*
70. *Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 2, sp. 9*

Figs. 59–70. Ventral view of male sternum 5. Scale bars = 0.1mm: 59, *Actia autumnalis* (Y22, CNC); 60, *Peribaea apicalis* (Y82, CNC); 61, *Peribaea Australia sp. 1* (Y83, DPI); 62, *Siphona (Actinocrocuta) singularis complex* (O120, CNC); 63, *Siphona (Aphantorhapha) arizonica* (unnumbered, JEOH); 64, *Siphona (Aphantorhaphopsis) Nepal sp. 1* (W75, CNC); 65, *Siphona (Ceranthia) flavipes* (B8, CNC); 66, *Siphona (Pseudosiphona) sp. 4* (R22, CNC); 67, *Siphona (Siphona) cristata* (W38, JEOH); 68, *Siphona (Uruactia) sp. 31* (R45, CNC); 69, *Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 1, sp. 28* (O27, CNC); 70, *Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 2, sp. 9* (O154, USNM).

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Figs. 71–79. Lateral view of left pregonite of male. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 71, Goniocera io (Y41, CNC); 72, Goniocera versicolor (Y69, CNC); 73, Proceromyia macronychia (Y40, CNC); 74, Proceromyia pubioculata (Y85, JEOH); 75, Entomophaga exoleta (Y132, ZMUC); 76, Entomophaga nigrohalterata (Y27, CNC); 77, Ceromya flaviceps (Y107, CNC); 78, Ceromya New Guinea sp. 6 (Y176, BLKU); 79, Ceromya americana complex (Y25, CNC).
Figs. 80–88. Lateral view of left pregonite of male. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 80, Ceromya cornuta (Y114, CNC); 81, Ceromya Mexico sp. 5 (Y118, CNC); 82, Ceromya Brazil sp. 3 (Y125, INPA); 83, Ceromya lutea (Y121, CNC); 84, Ceromya silacea (Y179, CNC); 85, Actio lamia (Y17, JEOH); 86, Actio diffidens (Y21, CNC); 87, Peribaea tibialis (Y15, JEOH); 88, Peribaea Australia sp. 3 (Y77, DPI).

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Figs. 89-97. Lateral view of left pregonite of male. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 89, Siphona (Actinocrocuta) singularis complex (O120, CNC); 90, Siphona (Aphantorhapha) arizonica (unnumbered, JEOH); 91, Siphona (Aphantorhaphopsis) crassulata (B3, CNC); 92, Siphona (Aphantorhaphopsis) starkei (B96, JEOH); 93, Siphona (Baeomyia) xanthogaster (B98, JEOH); 94, Siphona (Ceranthia) flavipes (B8, CNC); 95, Siphona (Pseudosiphona) brevirostris (W89, CNC); 96, Siphona (Siphona) cristata (W37, JEOH); 97, Siphona (Siphonopsis) plusiae (R97, JEOH).
Figs. 98–106. Lateral view of left pregonite of male. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 98, *Siphona* (*Siphonopsis*) sp. N (024, CNC); 99, *Siphona* (*Uraclia*) sp. 31 (R45, CNC); 100, *Siphona* s.l., sp. grp. 1, sp. 27 (R46, CNC); 101, *Siphona* s.l., sp. grp. 1, sp. 28 (027, CNC); 102, *Siphona* s.l., sp. grp. 2, sp. 2 (O125, JEOH); 103, *Siphona* s.l., sp. grp. 2, sp. 2 (B92, USNM); 104, *Siphona* s.l., sp. grp. 3, sp. 3 (B81, WSUP); 105, *Siphona* s.l., sp. grp. 3, sp. 22 (O50, USP); 106, *Siphona* s.l., unplaced sp. 1 (R62, WSUP).

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107. Goniocera io
108. Proceromyia macronychia
109. Proceromyia puhioculata
110. Entomophaga exoleta
111. Entomophaga nigrohalterata
112. Ceromya silacea

Figs. 107–112. Lateral view of male distiphallus. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 107, Goniocera io (Y41, CNC); 108, Proceromyia macronychia (Y40, CNC) (r lat marg, reduced lateral margin); 109, Proceromyia puhioculata (Y85, JEOH); 110, Entomophaga exoleta (Y132, ZMUC); 111, Entomophaga nigrohalterata (Y27, CNC); 112, Ceromya silacea (Y179, CNC) (l pslat marg, long apical extension of posterolateral margin).
113. *Ceromya flaviceps*
114. *Ceromya americana* complex
115. *Ceromya cornuta*
116. *Ceromya lutea*
117. *Actia lamia*
118. *Actia autumnalis*

Figs. 113–118. Lateral view of male distiphallus. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 113, *Ceromya flaviceps* (Y107, CNC); 114, *Ceromya americana* complex (Y25, CNC); 115, *Ceromya cornuta* (Y114, CNC); 116, *Ceromya lutea* (Y121, CNC) (pos marg, posterior margin entirely sclerotized; cf. sclerotized projection labelled in Figs. 125, 127); 117, *Actia lamia* (Y17, JEOH); 118, *Actia autumnalis* (Y22, CNC).

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Figs. 119–124. Lateral view of male distiphallus. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 119, Actia New World sp. 4 (Y48, USP); 120, Peribaea apicalis (Y82, CNC); 121, Peribaea fissicornis (Y31, CNC); 122, Siphona (Actinocrocuta) singularis complex (O120, CNC); 123, Siphona (Actinocrocuta) sp. 1 (R4, CNC); 124, Siphona (Aphantorhapha) arizonica (unnumbered, JEOH) (undif pslat marg, undifferentiated posterolateral margin).
125. *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) nigronitens*
126. *S. (Baeomyia) hurdi*
127. *S. (Ceranthia) flavipes*
128. *S. (Pseudosiphona) sp. 1*
129. *S. (Siphona) cristata*
130. *S. (Siphonopsis) pliasi*

Figs. 125–130. Lateral view of male distiphallus. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 125, *Siphona (Aphantorhaphopsis) nigronitens* (R13, CNC) (*m pslat marg*, moderate apical extension of postero-lateral margin beyond rest of lateral margin; *scl proj*, sclerotized projection posteriorly); 126, *Siphona (Baeomyia) hurdi* (R10, CNC); 127, *Siphona (Ceranthia) flavipes* (R8, CNC) (*l pslat marg*, long apical extension of postero-lateral margin beyond rest of lateral margin; *scl proj*, sclerotized projection posteriorly); 128, *Siphona (Pseudosiphona) sp. 1* (B69, CNC); 129, *Siphona (Siphona) cristata* (W36, JEOH); 130, *Siphona (Siphonopsis) pliasi* (B18, CNC).

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Figs. 131–136. Lateral view of male distiphallus. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 131, Siphona (Uruactia) sp. 31 (R45, CNC); 132, Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 1, sp. 25 (R2, CNC); 133, Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 2, sp. 1 (O148, CAS); 134, Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 2, sp. 3 (R65, CNC); 135, Siphona s.l., sp. grp. 3, sp. 3 (B81, WSUP); 136, Siphona s.l., unplaced sp. 1 (R62, WSUP).
Figs. 137–141. Lateral view of male surstylus and cerci. Scale bars = 0.1mm: 137, Goniocera io (Y41, CNC); 138, Ceromya americana complex (Y25, CNC); 139, Peribaea apicalis (Y82, CNC); 140, Siphona (Pseudosiphona) sp. 1 (B69, CNC); 141, Siphona (Siphona) cristata (W36, JEOH). Figs. 142–144. Posterior view of male genitalia, vestiture omitted. Scale bars = 0.1mm: 142, Siphona (Actinocrocuta) singularis complex (lectotype of S. chaetosa (Tnsd.), USNM); 143, Siphona (Aphantorhapha) sp. 1 (O182, BMNH); 144, Siphona (Siphona) kairiensis (holotype, CAS).

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Figs. 145–148. Lateral and ventral views of female genitalia. Scale bars = 0.2mm: 145, Goniocera io (Y63, CNC); 146, Proceromyia macronychia (Y134, CNC); 147, Entomophaga nigrohalterata (Y135, CNC) (ant apod, anterior apodeme of sternum 7); 148, Ceromya silacea (Y137, CNC).
Figs. 149–152. Lateral and ventral views of female genitalia. Scale bars = 0.2mm: 149, *Ceromya flaviceps* (Y133, CNC); 150, *Ceromya ontario* (Y65, USNM); 151, *Actia interrupta* (Y74, JEOH); 152, *Actia Zaire* sp. 1 (Y105, CNC).
Figs. 153–156. Lateral and ventral views of female genitalia. Scale bars = 0.2mm: 153, *Peribaea fissicornis* (Y60, JEOH); 154, *Peribaea Africa sp. 5* (Y96, USNM); 155, *Peribaea ugandana* (Y93, USNM); 156, *Peribaea Australia sp. 1* (Y84, DPI).
Fig. 157. Lateral view of first instar of Ceromya americana complex, with ventral view of abdominal segments 6 to 8 (Y73, UCB). Scale bar = 0.1mm. Figs. 158–163. Lateral view of cephalopharyngeal skeleton and ventral view of abdominal segments 6 to 8 of first instars. Scale bars = 0.05mm: 158, Goniocera sp (CNC slide) (d corn, dorsal cornu; hypo scl, hypopharyngeal sclerite; lat scl, lateral sclerite; lab, labrum; v corn, ventral cornu); 159, Ceromya silacea (Y137, CNC); 160, Actia lamia (Y75, CNC); 161, Peribaea ugandana (Y93, USNM); 162, Siphona (Pseudosiphona) sp. 14 (B93, CNC); 163, Siphona (Siphona) lutea (W44, CNC).

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Introduction

Hosts are recorded for over 60 siphonine species, or about 20% of the described fauna, in Table 2. It is difficult to speculate about host preferences from such meagre information, though a few general patterns are suggested by this compilation of host records. Most apparent is that siphonines are primarily parasitoids of larval Lepidoptera, as host species are known from only three families in other orders, the Pyrrhocoridae (Hemiptera), Tenthredinidae (Hymenoptera) and Tipulidae (Diptera).

Within the Lepidoptera there is marked preference for the Macrolepidoptera, with only Peribaea and Actia known with certainty from hosts in both the Microlepidoptera and Macrolepidoptera. Within the Macrolepidoptera the Geometridae are parasitized by species in the most supraspecific taxa (nine), followed closely by the Noctuidae (seven). Actia seems the most generalized siphonine group in terms of host preference, with records from nine families of Microlepidoptera and six families of Macrolepidoptera, though this may in part be attributable to the large number of hosts known for this genus.

A brief section about hosts follows each generic or subgeneric description in the Classification chapter of this work. Because no striking patterns of host preference are evident between siphonine groups, and hosts are still inadequately known, host information is not used in the phylogenetic analysis of the Siphonini.

Explanation of parasite-host list

Table 2 is a compilation of the known hosts of siphonine species. Almost all records have been taken from the literature, though a few are new. New records were obtained from label data and are accompanied in Table 2 by the museum where specimens bearing the listed host data are deposited.

Siphonine species names are listed in bold face and their hosts in italics. The former are listed alphabetically by genus and species and the latter first by family and second by genus and species (thereby grouping together host species belonging to the same family). Siphonine names are those used herein, and an attempt has been made to update host names to correspond with current usage.

The literature includes many host records for tachinids that are unreliable because of questionable species identifications. The records used here are mostly from critically compiled works published by tachinid specialists, and as such are more reliable than the primary literature (though even these authors undoubtedly repeat some published errors because of the paucity of information about most siphonine species).

Where records or species identifications were listed as questionable in a reference cited here, I have preceded the questionable name with a question mark.
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EVOLUTION OF THE SIPHONINI

Introduction

Many methods are presently available for inferring phylogenies through cladistic analyses, but most are theoretically similar in that they begin with polarization of character states into plesiotypic (ancestral) and apotypic (derived), generally based on an outgroup comparison. Taxa are then ordered into a hierarchy of nested sets (a cladogram) on the basis of synapotypic (shared derived) states. General methods of phylogenetic analysis are described by Wiley (1981) and are under constant review and refinement in the pages of Systematic Zoology.

Polarization of character states in the Siphonini is not possible for many of the characters given in the Structural Features chapter. One of the problems is the uncertainty regarding the sister group to the Siphonini. This problem required that the outgroup comprise a selection of species from several tachinid tribes of possible close relationship to the Siphonini. Names of species selected for this purpose are listed in Table 3 along with their geographic distribution. Such an extended outgroup was useful for detecting and dismissing many very homoplastic states from the phylogenetic analysis, but also required the rejection of possibly useful states which might have been phylogenetically interpretable if tribal relationships between the Siphonini and the extended outgroup were better resolved. A preliminary analysis of the phylogenetics of the Siphonini established Siphona s.l. as a monophyletic clade within the tribe, so non-Siphona s.l. siphonines were considered the functional outgroup (Watrous and Wheeier 1981) for polarization of states among Siphona s.l. subgenera.

Character weighting is a controversial subject because any system of weighting is subjective in practice, yet equal weighting of all apotypic states is even more undesirable because a simple tally of apotypic states does not recognize the fundamental value of evolutionary novelty and complexity in phylogenetic reconstruction.

A very simple approach to character weighting has been adopted here. Two levels of synapotypy are recognized - primary and secondary. A primary synapotypy is one founded on state complexity and a minimum of homoplasy within both outgroup and the Siphonini. A secondary synapotypy is usually structurally less complex and/or more homoplastic than a primary synapotypy, or the character has been insufficiently studied for the apotypic state to be hypothesized as a primary synapotypy at this time.

Primary and secondary synapotypies of the Siphonini provide good evidence for the monophyly of most siphonine genera and subgenera but resolve few intrageneric, or Siphona s.l. intersubgeneric, relationships (Fig. 164).

The synapotypies for siphonine genera and subgenera are discussed under the Phylogenetics section of each taxon in the Classification chapter. They are summarized below and designated as primary or secondary, and incidents of homoplasy are noted. Many characters of the Structural Features chapter are deemed
unsuitable for phylogenetic analysis so the numbers below do not correspond to those in that chapter. Similarly, certain states are defined differently below than in the Structural Features chapter so a direct correlation is not possible between the states in both sections. Characters and states of the Structural Features chapter that are the same as those discussed here are indicated below in square brackets. The three species groups of undescribed Siphona s.l. are considered inadequately studied to include under the discussion of primary and secondary synapotypes.

Intergeneric relationships of non-Siphona s.l. siphonines and intersubgeneric relationships of Siphona s.l. are not interpretable by primary or secondary synapotypes except for the Proceromyia-Entomophaga lineage. However, the distribution of certain, less reliable, states suggest possible higher relationships within these groups, and these possibilities are explored at the end of this section and depicted in Figs. 166-171.

**Monophyly of the Siphonini**

1P. The best supported synapotypy of the Siphonini is the presence of only two spermathecae in the reproductive system of adult females. This synapotypy was proposed by Andersen (1983) in his revision of the Old World Siphonini, and is supported here by its universality among all female siphonines dissected during this study (comprising approximately 90 species, or almost 25% of the known described and undescribed siphonine species). Only species of the unrelated Neotropical genus *Phaenopsis* Townsend are known to share this state within the Tachinidae (Andersen 1983).

2P. The pregonite of adult male siphonines is membranous anteriorly from its apex to its basal articulation with the hypandrium (Figs. 71-106; universal among dissected males of over 250 siphonine species). According to Tschorsnig (1985 and pers. comm.), this state is unique to the Siphonini, with other tachinids lacking membrane in this position. Based on Tschorsnig's findings, the state in the Siphonini is tentatively proposed as a synapotypy of the tribe.

3S. Possibly synapotypic of the Siphonini is absence of accessory glands from the reproductive system of adult males. This synapotypy was suggested by Andersen (1983), based on examination of dissected males of a limited number of Old World siphonine species. Andersen noted that male accessory glands are absent from several other, apparently unrelated, tachinids. This synapotypy is in need of corroboration because it is based on few representatives of the Siphonini and was not investigated during this study.

Andersen (1983) also proposed that convergent subapical setae on the scutellum are synapotypic of the Siphonini. This state is shared with possible sister groups to the Siphonini (in particular some species of the Leskiini and Clausicellini) and therefore cannot be defended as synapotypic of the tribe at this time.

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Table 3. Tachinid species examined for outgroup comparison with the Siphonini.

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Monophyly of genera and subgenera

Synapotypies of the genera and subgenera of the Siphonini are summarized below. Most are discussed in more detail in the Phylogenetics section of each genus and subgenus.

Goniocera Brauer and Bergenstamm

4P. Goniocera species are unique among siphonines in having a row of ad setae on the mid tibia. This state is shared with a few species in the outgroup, but most outgroup species have one seta in this position. This latter state is probably in the groundplan of both the outgroup and the Siphonini. [Character 24.]

5P. Known hosts are larvae of Malacosoma species (tent caterpillars), a parasitic habit unique to this genus (host of G. montium unknown).

6S. Median lobe of male sternum 5 prominent and flattened on posteromedial surface (Fig. 47; G. montium not examined). This state is approached in a few other siphonines and similar in a few Ceromya s.s. species, but is probably independently derived in Goniocera. [Character 40, state F.]

7S. Posterolateral margin of distiphallus curved inward toward midline and slightly incised from rest of lateral surface (not visible in Fig. 107 and not examined in G. montium). This state is only known to be shared with Ceromya flaviseta and C. Ontario, but other characters do not support a close relationship between these species. [Character 49, state S.]

8S. Female sternum 8 reduced in size (Fig. 145). This state is not considered a primary synapotypy because the female genitalia of two of the four species, G. montium and G. versicolor, were not examined. [Character 62, state R.]

9S. Male surstylus narrowly fused basally with the epandrium (Fig. 137, not examined in G. montium). This state is common in many Ceromya species but few other siphonines, so may be independently derived in Goniocera. [Character 52, state F.]

10S. Male cerci sharply inflexed at midpoint and densely setose on basal half (Fig. 137, not examined in G. montium). Like the former character, this condition of the cerci in Goniocera species is shared with many Ceromya species and a few other siphonines. [In part, character 54, state I.]

Proceromyia Mesnil

11P. Distiphallus in lateral view with long, broad, anteriorly spined, anterolateral arm and short lateral projection (Figs. 108-109). Shape of the distiphallus is closely approximated only in the hypothesized sister group, Entomophaga (Figs. 110-111).

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12P. Male sternum 5 (Figs. 48-49) with apical lobe slightly differentiated [character 38, state O] and median lobe slightly sinuous and rounded [character 40, state R].

13P. Head with narrow vertex (Mesnil and Shima 1978: 325).

14P. Large tarsal claws. This state is also present in a few Siphona s.s. species, though certainly independently evolved in that group. [Character 26, state L.]

15S. A possible synapotypy is the bare presternum. This state is shared with Ceromya monstrtocornis, some specimens of Goniocera io and a few other siphonines. Setulation on the prosternum is a difficult character to polarize because it is obviously very homoplastic. A bare prosternum predominates in the outgroup, but some species of the Clausicellini and Neaerini have a setulose prosternum. The latter state is almost universal among siphonines, but particularly for two reasons - its presence in Entomophaga (the hypothesized sister group to Proceromyia), and its requirement of fewer reversals - a setulose prosternum is here considered the more likely groundplan state of the Siphonini.

Entomophaga Lioy

16P. Aristomere 1 elongate, at least 1.5X longer than wide (Figs. 4-5). This state is also independently derived in a few Siphona s.l. species. [Character 9, state L.]

17S. The general habitus of the two Entomophaga species, particularly with respect to head features (Figs. 4-5; small eye, similar-shaped flagellomere 1) suggests they are sister species.

18S. Female sternum 8 is absent from E. nigrohalterata (Fig. 147). If similarly absent from the female of E. exoleta, then this condition would represent a primary synapotypy.

Ceromya s.l. Robineau-Desvoidy

19S. It is not possible to cite a single state which is synapotypic of Ceromya s.l. species, yet Ceromya s.s. and the C. silacea species group are probably each monophyletic and have certain features in common which attest to their close evolutionary grade if not strict monophyly. These include the diagnostic features of Ceromya s.l. given in the Classification chapter as well as the following features of the male genitalia shared by some but not all species of both subgroups (and a few other siphonines, most notably Goniocera species (Fig. 137), the significance of which is discussed later in this chapter): surstylus basally fused with epandrium [character 52, state F], cerci sharply inflexed at midpoint [character 54, state I] and densely setose on basal half (Fig. 138). All the above states are grouped together here as a secondary synapotypy of Ceromya s.l. because they may be
phylogenetically important even though they do not clearly establish the monophyly of the genus.

Andersen (1983) proposed as a synapotypy of Ceromya s.l.: "Praegonite oval with the sclerotized part more or less bilobed and recurved" (p. 12). Shape of the sclerotized portion of the pregonite is more varied than suggested by Andersen and is therefore not considered a synapotypy here. However, the oval shape is attributable to the enlarged membrane anteriorly, and this is here considered a synapotypy of Ceromya s.s.

Ceromya s.s. Robineau-Desvoidy

20P. Features of the pregonite provide the only convincing synapotypy of this group. The membrane anteriorly on the pregonite is characteristically enlarged and in most species spinulose (Figs. 39-40, 77-83). (The spinules are very tiny in some species and consequently have been overlooked by previous workers.) Almost all Ceromya s.s. species examined and lacking spinules on the pregonite are assignable to species groups which possess them, so this state is considered that of the groundplan of Ceromya s.s. The phylogenetic significance of similar spinules on the pregonite of Goniocera io is discussed later in this chapter. [Character 45, state M.]

Ceromya Nepal sp. 1 and C. monstrosicornis are tentatively included in Ceromya s.s. until their phylogenetic position is better resolved (see Phylogenetics section of Ceromya s.s.).

Ceromya silacea species group

21P. Distiphallus with internal sclerotized structure, which is continuous with infolded posterior margins (Fig. 112). This structure is unique to members of the C. silacea species group.

22S. The first instar of C. silacea has a hook-like labrum (Fig. 159). This is proposed only tentatively because first instars of other members of this group have not been examined.

The phylogenetic history of Ceromya s.l. is not clearly understood. The present division of the genus into Ceromya s.s. and the C. silacea species group is based on male genitalic states, and may be incomplete until males of all described Ceromya species are examined. It seems premature to erect a new subgenus for the C. silacea species group until the phylogenetics of the genus are better understood. Recognition of two subgenera must await corroboration of Ceromya s.s. and the C. silacea species group as monophyletic lineages and sister groups.

Actia Robineau-Desvoidy

23P. Male pregonite (Figs. 41-42, 85-86) approximately J-shaped [character 44, state J] and spinose [character 45, state S].
24P. Actia species, with few exceptions, possess a row of hairs on the katepisternum anterior to the mid coxa (Fig. 33). This state is unique to Actia species and Entomophaga exoleta among siphonines, though is also present in some species of the outgroup. No evidence suggests that Actia is the primitive lineage of the Siphonini so presence of a katepisternal row of hairs is hypothesized as synapotypic of Actia species. The same state in E. exoleta is hypothesized as independently derived. [Character 20, state S.]

25P. An approximately V-shaped sternum 5 with an indistinct median lobe (Figs. 58-59) is apparently the groundplan state of the genus and approximated by few other siphonines. [Character 38, state V and character 40, state U.]

26S. Almost all Actia species have two setulae on the upper portion of the anepisternum (Fig. 31), whereas one setula is found in most other siphonines (Fig. 32) and is almost universal in the outgroup. This state is weighted as a secondary synapotypy because it is widely distributed throughout different siphonine lineages even though present in relatively few non-Actia species. [Character 19.]

27S. The lack of a dorsal cornu in the cephalopharyngeal skeleton of first instars of examined Actia species is certainly apotypic (Fig. 160), but the universality of this state throughout the genus needs to be investigated (see O’Hara in press “a”). [Character 65, state A.]

Peribaea Robineau-Desvoidy

28P. A strong, downwardly directed, proepimeral seta (Fig. 27) is shared by all known Peribaea species and absent from other siphonines. Most neaerines and some other tachinids also share this state, but are not closely related to Peribaea. [Character 18, state P.]

29P. Distiphallus sclerotized posteriorly (partially unsclerotized [incised] in all but three other examined and unrelated siphonine species). Andersen (1983) considered Peribaea to be the most primitive lineage of the Siphonini and a posteriorly sclerotized distiphallus both plesiotypic and the groundplan state in the tribe. My outgroup comparison does not support this polarization (i.e. nothing comparable to the Peribaea condition was found in the outgroup) and I place Peribaea near Siphona based on characters discussed below. [Character 48, state E.]

30P. Females of most Peribaea species have a distinct sternum 8, though bare as compared with haired as in other siphonines. The female ovipositor is elongate and sternum 8 lacking in a few highly derived Peribaea species. [Character 62, state B.]

31S. First instars with narrowed, and in most species hook-like, labrum (Fig. 161). Outgroup comparison is not helpful in the polarization of this state because both a
hook-like and hatchet-like labrum are widely distributed throughout the Tachinidae. Andersen (1983) interpreted *Peribaea* as primitive and a hook-like labrum as plesiotypic, but this state is more likely apotypic if the present phylogenetic placement of *Peribaea* is correct. [Character 64, state N.]

*Siphona* Meigen *sensu lato*  
**32P.** First instars with from two to a row of large spinules or hooks on the posterovertral margin of segment 6 (Figs. 162-163), with the exception of \( S. (\text{Aphantorhaphopsis}) \) Uganda sp. 1. Except for *Ceromya* Australia sp. 3, non-*Siphona* species have tiny spinules or are bare in this position (Figs. 158-161). [Character 66.]

**33P.** First instars, with few exceptions, with single dominant row of spinules on the posterovertral margin of segment 7. Almost all examined first instars of non-*Siphona* species have two or more rows of spinules or spines in this position [Character 67, state S; refer to figure numbers cited therein.]

The Old World component of *Siphona* *s.l.*, comprising the subgenera *Aphantorhaphopsis*, *Ceranthia* and *Siphona*, was interpreted as monophyletic by Andersen (1983) based on two hypothesized synapotypies. One was presence of an anterior apodeme on female sternum 7, which is correctly polarized as apotypic in the Siphonini based on outgroup comparison. However, this state is widely distributed throughout the tribe (see Table 1) and therefore too homoplastic to interpret as a synapotypy of *Siphona* *s.l.* [character 58, state W]. The second state that Andersen considered synapotypic of Old World *Siphona* *s.l.* was presence of a long lower katepisternal seta. I interpret this state differently from Andersen, as discussed under the section on monophyly of *Peribaea* and *Siphona* *s.l.*

*Siphona* (subgenus *Actinocrocata* Townsend)  
**34S.** Pregonite (Fig. 89) very slender and elongate [character 44, state A], with outer surface short spinose apically [character 45, state T].

**35S.** Distiphallus slender and parallel-sided (Figs. 122-123).

**36S.** Cerci in posterior view broadened to near apex (Fig. 142).

The above states are individually present in a few other siphonines but the combination of all three is unique to this subgenus and none appear to be synapotypic between *S. (Actinocrocata)* and another *Siphona* subgenus.

*Siphona* (subgenus *Aphantorhapha* Townsend)  
**37S.** Distiphallus tapered to a rounded or pointed tip (Fig. 124).
Cerci broadened at midlength in posterior view (Fig. 143). The cerci of *S. (Aphantorhapha) atoma* do not share this apotypy and may be plesiotypic in this respect, though other states support a sister group relationship between this species and *S. (Aphantorhapha) arizonica.*

*Siphona* (subgenus *Aphantorhaphopsis* Townsend)

This taxon is non-monophyletic and comprises all Old World *Siphona* s.l. species not assignable to *S. (Siphona)* or *S. (Ceranthia).* The included species are too inadequately known to be reclassified into monophyletic lineages at this time. None of the examined species appears to belong in the otherwise strictly New World supraspecific taxa of *Siphona* s.l.

*Siphona* (subgenus *Baeomyia* O'Hara)

38P. Mid tibia without an *ad* seta near midlength (Fig. 38). Species of this subgenus are not closely related to the few other siphonines with this state. [Character 24.]

40P. Aristomere 1 very elongate, at least 2X longer than wide (Fig. 15). This state is independently derived in a few other, unrelated, siphonines. [Character 9, state L.]

41P. Adults are the smallest of siphonines, with a total length of 2.0-3.0mm. Few other siphonines are typically as small; the average length of adults in other lineages is 3mm or longer. [Character 1.]

42P. Aristomere 3 very short (Fig. 15). [Character 11, state V.]

43S. Crossvein *dm-cu* far removed from wing margin (Fig. 22). This state is also found in a few other siphonine lineages, and may not be synapotypic of *S. (Baeomyia)* species. However, the state is obviously homoplastic so is not used here to define a higher subgroup within *Siphona* s.l. [Character 34.]

*Siphona* (subgenus *Ceranthia* Robineau-Desvoidy)

44P. Adults with cylindrical palpus (Fig. 16). This feature is considered independently derived in two species of *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis).* [Character 14, state C.]

45P. Pregonite with long seta posteriorly (Fig. 94). The bare state of the pregonite in *S. (Ceranthia)* Mauritius sp. 1 is interpreted as autapotypic. [Character 46, state L.]

46P. Distiphallus with short to long posterolateral arm which is distinctly incised from rest of lateral surface (Fig. 127). The characteristic shape of the distiphallus in *S. (Ceranthia)* species is at least subtly different from other siphonines which also
possess distinct posterolateral projections. [Character 49, states M and E.]

*Siphona* (subgenus *Pseudosiphona* Townsend)

47P. Pregonite (Fig. 95) broadened in lateral view [character 44, state W], with spinules anterolaterally [character 45, state T] and two to several tiny setae posteriorly [character 46, state F]. Few *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species lack one or another of these states, but other siphonines do not possess more than one.

48P. Distiphallus triangular and anterolaterally spined (Fig. 128). This state is interpreted as that of the groundplan in this subgenus, and the few species which depart from it are regarded as apotypic in this respect.

49S. Labium of first instars elongate and hook-like in most species (Fig. 162). Species of *S. (Pseudosiphona)* with a more broadened labrum seem derived from other species in which the labrum is hook-like. Shape of the labrum is a somewhat homoplastic character so this state is ranked as a secondary synapotypy. [Character 64, state N.]

50S. The groundplan condition, and possible synapotypy of this subgenus, is moderately lengthened labella (slightly longer than half prementum length; Fig. 17). [Character 16, state M.]

*Siphona* (subgenus *Siphona* Meigen sensu stricto)

51P. Proboscis with elongate prementum and labella, with latter at least as long as the former (Figs. 25-26). This state is present in all *S. (Siphona)* species, and convergently present in some other siphonines. [Character 16, state L.]

52S. The male genitalia of *S. (Siphona)* species are remarkably homogeneous for such a large group of species. There is relatively little variation in shapes of pregonite (Fig. 96), surstylus and cerci (Figs. 141, 144), while differences in distiphallus shape (Fig. 129) are more conservative than in any other large siphonine taxon. Perhaps in combination, these features of the male genitalia can be considered synapotypic of the subgenus, though individually none is unique.

*Siphona* (subgenus *Siphonopsis* Townsend)

53P. Distiphallus tapered to a narrow and truncate tip of varied length (Fig. 130). This state is evidently unique to *S. (Siphonopsis).*

54S. Labellar length characteristically slightly less than three-fourths prementum length (Figs. 18, 24). This length is not unique to, but is probably synapotypic of, the subgenus. [Character 16, state E.]

*Siphona* (subgenus *Uruactia* Townsend)

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55P. Distiphallus in profile smoothly tapered and apically pointed (Fig. 131). S. (Aphantorhapha) species are characterized by a somewhat similar-shaped distiphallus.

There are only two species included in S. (Uruactia), and these are easily recognized as sister species because of several similarities, but each shared state is too widely distributed among other siphonine species to be included here.

Monophyly of the Proceromyia Mesnil and Entomophaga Liy lineage

56P. Distiphallus of all four described species characterized by long, spined, anterolateral arm and incised lateral surface (Figs. 108-111). No examined outgroup species or other siphonine has very similar distiphallus features.

57P. Pregonite smoothly curved and apically pointed, with longitudinal ridge which is bare or spined (Figs. 73-76). A spined longitudinal ridge is also present in a few New World Siphona s.l. species, but the shape of the pregonite is different (Figs. 103-105) and other character states (for example, presence of a seta posteriorly on pregonite as in Figs. 103-104) clearly indicate that these species are not closely related to the Proceromyia-Entomophaga lineage. [Character 45, state L.]

Monophyly of the Peribaea R.-D. and Siphona Meigen lineage

58P. Anal vein extended to wing margin at least as fold (Fig. 22). The groundplan state for the Tachinidae and presumably the Siphonini is anal vein not extended to wing margin. This state in three species of Actia is interpreted as independently derived. Andersen (1983) considered Peribaea the primitive lineage of the Siphonini and accordingly interpreted anal vein reaching wing margin as synapotypic of the Siphonini and anal vein not reaching wing margin as an apotypic loss in his Actia group (Goniocera, Ceromya and Actia). [Character 33, state E.]

59P. Lower katepisternal seta subequal in length to, or longer than, upper anterior seta (Fig. 32). The near universality of this state within this lineage compared with a shorter lower seta in the outgroup and almost all other siphonines is good evidence that this state is synapotypic of this lineage. Andersen (1983) also polarized a long lower katepisternal seta as apotypic, but interpreted the apotypic state in a more restricted sense. He considered the state in which this seta is longer than the upper anterior seta as synapotypic of Old World Siphona s.l. (his Asiphona, Ceranthia and Siphona). This state is the most common among species of world Siphona s.l., but the lower and upper anterior setae are subequal in length in species of some lineages (Table 1). The subequal condition of these setae is found in the majority of Peribaea species and is here interpreted as the groundplan state of the Peribaea-Siphona s.l. lineage because a short lower seta characterizes all other siphonine lineages. [Character 21, states E and L.]
Phylogenetics of non-Siphona s.l. siphonine lineages

There are no convincing synapotypies among non-Siphona s.l. genera of the Siphonini except those already discussed for the Proceromyia-Entomophaga lineage. As equivocal as the generic relationships may be, two characters warrant discussion because the interpretation of their states suggest different phylogenetic scenarios concerning the evolution of Goniocera. (No phylogenetic statements about the interrelationships of Actia, Ceromya s.l. and the Proceromyia-Entomophaga lineage are made at this time because no shared states which are phylogenetically interpretable were found among these taxa.)

Goniocera is well established as a monophyletic taxon of the Siphonini (Fig. 164), but its phylogenetic position within the tribe can be interpreted in several ways depending upon the polarization of the states of two characters: (1) length of preapical ad seta on fore tibia [character 23], and (2) presence or absence of spinules on the membranous portion of male pregonite [character 45]. The distribution of states for these characters among the four Goniocera species and major lineages of the Siphonini is shown in Fig. 165, without polarization of states into plesiotypic and apotypic. The states of three other characters important to the discussion of the phylogenetics of Goniocera are also included in Fig. 165.

Length of the preapical ad seta on the fore tibia is a difficult character to polarize into plesiotypic and apotypic states. Several species of the outgroup (both species of the Ernestiini, Triarthria setipennis and Neaera robertsonii; Table 3) have an ad seta subequal in length to the preapical d seta, but in the others it is short. The character is also varied among siphonines, as documented in Table 1 and Fig. 165, so reversals have presumably taken place in both the outgroup and the Siphonini. Yet a possibility is raised that needs to be investigated further: perhaps the presence of a long preapical ad seta in some Goniocera species and the four species of Proceromyia and Entomophaga represents a synapotypy of these three genera, with a reversal within Goniocera and independent acquisitions of the state in two species of Ceromya s.s., several Actia species and one species of S. (Aphantorhaphopsis). This scenario is illustrated in Fig. 166. The evidence for this interpretation is very weak, though it is worth noting that the members of these three genera are also similar in appearance, with mostly dark coloration and non-vittate, uniformly pruinose abdomens. Are the long preapical ad seta and similar appearance of these taxa indicative of their common ancestry, their primitiveness among siphonines, or the result of frequent homoplasy and hence of little value in phylogenetic reconstruction? The evolutionary history of Goniocera is far from clear because the states of the second character to be discussed are non-congruent with any but the last interpretation.

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1 the presence of this state in two Ceromya s.s. species is discussed in the Phylogenetics section of Ceromya s.s.
Considerable weight is placed here upon the presence of spinules on the membranous portion of the male pregonite being an apotypic state [character 45, state M]. This state is considered synapotypic of Ceromya s.s. for the reasons discussed in the Phylogenetics section of that taxon. As shown in Fig. 165, this state is also found in Goniocera io and apparently nowhere else in the Siphonini. The distribution of this apotypic state can be interpreted in many ways, of which three seem more reasonable than the rest: (1) the state arose independently (and convergently) in G. io and Ceromya s.s. (Fig. 167), (2) the state arose once, and Goniocera and Ceromya s.s. are sister groups (with subsequent reversals within both taxa; Fig. 168), or (3) the state arose once, and Goniocera is a derived subgroup of Ceromya s.s. (Fig. 169).

Under the first of the above interpretations (illustrated in Figs. 164 and 167), no sister group relationship is indicated between Goniocera and another siphonine taxon. Under the next two interpretations (illustrated in Figs. 168 and 169, respectively), the apotypic state is considered synapotypic of Goniocera and Ceromya s.s. and differ only with respect to the monophyly of Ceromya s.s.

The hypothesis of Goniocera and Ceromya s.s. sharing a common ancestry at first seems highly improbable, for it requires loss of spinules from the pregonite of all Goniocera species except G. io as well as loss in many Ceromya s.s. species (or non-expression of the apotypic state if it is interpreted as an underlying synapotypy8). There is reason to believe that the apotypic state is the groundplan state of Ceromya s.s. (as discussed in the Phylogenetics section of that taxon), but not convincingly (or even probably) for Goniocera. Nevertheless, the cladograms pairing Goniocera and Ceromya s.s. (Figs. 168-169) are presented as alternative (and testable) hypotheses because monophyly of Goniocera+Ceromya s.s. would help explain the distribution of three other male genital character states. The three characters are shape of median lobe on sternum 5, articulation between surstylus and epandrium, and shape of cerci in profile; the distribution of their states is shown in Fig. 165 (along with the states for the two characters discussed above). If the solid dots are interpreted as apotypic states, then these are present in all examined Goniocera species and at least some species of Ceromya s.s. and the C. silacea species group. Decreasing the probability of a close relationship between Goniocera and Ceromya is the possibility of the three states being primitive, the possibility of homoplasy (note the presence of these states in a few other siphonines), and the fact that the three states are not all present in any Ceromya s.s. species.

In summary, the phylogenetic position of Goniocera among non-Siphona siphonines remains enigmatic, with a possible close relationship being indicated between it and the Proceromyia-Entomophaga lineage (Fig. 166) or Ceromya s.s. (Figs. 168-169). Since both these interpretations are highly speculative, the polychotomus (and unresolved) depiction of the origin of Goniocera in Fig. 164

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8 underlying synapotypies are discussed in the next section.
Phylogenetics of Siphona subgenera

Nine subgenera of Siphona s.l. are recognized, with all but S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) hypothesized as monophyletic (Fig. 164). No clear synapomorphies were found between subgenera, though three derived character states which are widely distributed among the subgenera provide some information about possible higher groupings within the genus and weak additional support for its monophyly. These character states, all belonging to characters of the male genitalia, are reviewed below and their phylogenetic significance discussed.

The least informative of the three states concerns shape of the apex of the apical lobe on abdominal sternum 5 [character 39]. As documented in Table 1, the tip of the apical lobe is curved inward in at least some members of most Siphona lineages (state C), yet this state is virtually absent from other siphonines (observed in only one Ceromya s.s. species). The distribution of state C in the Siphonini suggests that this state is apotypic within Siphona, but note that nine of the ten Siphona taxa with state C in Table 1 also have state A (apical lobe not curved inward at apex; plesiotypic). This character state distribution may be the result of one or more of the following: (1) homoplasy, possibly resulting from parallel selection (as defined below), (2) reversals to state A from groundplan (and apotypic) state C (also a type of homoplasy, though groundplan state different from that of previous explanation), and/or (3) an underlying synapotypy (as defined below). It is unlikely that the first type of homoplasy alone could account for such a wide distribution of state C among Siphona lineages. Equally unlikely is the interpretation of state C as the groundplan state of most Siphona lineages with subsequent reversals in almost all lineages. (The groundplan state is clearly A in at least S. (Siphona), as only three unrelated species of the 40-odd species examined for this character possess state C.)

Saether (1979: 305) recognizes two types of parallelisms: (1) “parallelism as a result of parallel selection influencing homologous structures” and (2) “parallelism as the result of common inherited genetic factors including parallel mutations, i.e. underlying synapomorphies”. An underlying synapomorphy (or more generally, synapotypy) has also been described by Saether as “the capacity or tendency to develop parallel similarity” (1977: 31). I suspect that the inwardly curved apical lobe on male sternum 5 results from one of these forms of parallelism, for neither homoplasy nor state reversals provide as satisfactory an explanation for the presence of both states A and C in nine of 13 Siphona taxa listed in Table 1. It is not so clear which form of parallelism the shape of the apical lobe is governed by, yet this is the key to its interpretation since, as Saether comments, “parallel selection is of no greater value than convergence, while underlying synapomorphy is comparable to true synapomorphy” (1979: 306). Perhaps there is an inherent tendency (=underlying synapotypy) among most Siphona lineages to develop an inwardly curved apical lobe. This would explain both the near ubiquity of state C throughout

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**Siphona** lineages and its virtual absence from other siphonines. Yet the character in question is also one in which the difference between one state (A) and another (C) involves little change, and the taxa grouped by the presence of the apotypic state seem subjectively no more phylogenetically significant than the polytomy depicted in Fig. 164. Several factors, including the following, may be involved in expression of state C, all of which contribute to my interpretation of this state as a non-informative apotypic state: (1) state C is not complex so homoplasy may be involved to some degree, (2) there may be a selective advantage to state C which would therefore reduce its phylogenetic value, and (3) *Siphona* lineages from which state C is unrecorded may nevertheless possess the underlying synapotypy.

Two states of the male pregonite are interpreted as apotypic within *Siphona s.l.* because they are absent from all other siphonines. One is presence of spinules on the distal portion of the pregonite [character 45, state T], which is restricted to New World *Siphona* species of subgenera *Actinocrocota* (Fig. 89) and *Pseudosiphona* (Fig. 95), some members of New World species groups 1 (Fig. 100) and 2, and several unplaced New World *Siphona s.l.* species (Table 1). The other state, presence of a seta posteriorly on the pregonite [character 46, states T, M, L, F; figures numbers for each state listed in Structural Features chapter], is more widely distributed throughout *Siphona s.l.*, and only unrecorded from subgenera *Siphona* and *Uruactia* (Table 1).

The apotypic states of both pregonite characters are regarded as underlying synapotypies (as defined above) because each involves a novel and complex feature that almost certainly would not arise convergently, nor doubtfully by parallel selection, among so many different lineages. As with the sternum 5 character, some lineages with an apotypic state of the pregonite also have species with a plesiotypic state, so the term underlying synapotypy is preferable to synapotypy, and arguably more correct than postulating a synapotypic groundplan state followed by numerous reversals. The difference in interpretation between the apotypic states of the pregonite and state C of the apical lobe of sternum 5 is primarily due to the greater complexity of the former, though as will become apparent other difficulties in interpretation remain the same. Each pregonite character will be discussed in turn, beginning with the setal character.

A seta posteriorly on the pregonite is a widely distributed, apotypic state among *Siphona s.l.* lineages, though is absent from one or more species of most of these lineages (Table 1). It is particularly evident that lineages in which most species have a tiny seta also have species which lack it, so to some extent there seems to be a graded potential for development of a pregonite seta among *Siphona* lineages (with a large seta almost unique to, and hypothesized as a synapotypy of, *S. (Ceranthia)*). One of the difficulties in interpretation of an underlying synapotypy is how to infer its presence or absence in a taxon from which the apotypic state is unrecorded. Certainly there is no reason to suppose that a pregonite seta is an underlying synapotypy of any non-*Siphona* siphonines, but how does one interpret the absence
of the apotypic state in subgenera *Siphona* and *Uruactia*? Only two species of *S. (Uruactia)* are known, and male genitalia of only two specimens were examined, so these findings provide only weak (and inconclusive) evidence for the lack of the underlying synapomorphy in this subgenus.

The situation is different for *S. (Siphona)*, as male genitalia of nearly 40 species of this diverse subgenus were examined, and none possess a seta posteriorly on the pregonite. These findings are far from conclusive, but they are suggestive of *S. (Siphona)* occupying a rather primitive position among *Siphona s.l.* lineages. This interpretation is neither supported nor refuted by other characters at this time. It might be argued that a primitive position within *Siphona s.l.* is consistent with the speciose nature and wide geographic distribution of the subgenus, but the conservative features of its many members do not preclude a more recent and rapid radiation of the taxon.

Even if one considers *S. (Siphona)* as a rather primitive lineage of *Siphona s.l.*, it is doubtfully the most primitive. That position probably belongs to certain members of the Old World (probably polyphyletic) taxon *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)*. This subgenus includes species with or without a pregonite seta, and it is possible that some of the latter represent the most primitive lineages of *Siphona s.l.* This interpretation is illustrated in Fig. 170, with *S. (Siphona)* shown in a primitive position relative to most other subgenera, and *S. (Uruactia)* questionably placed near *S. (Siphona)*. Fig. 170 represents one of the more parsimonious interpretations of the character under discussion, though it must be noted that it is presented as a hypothetical model to be tested, and not as a well corroborated cladogram.

I return now to a consideration of the phylogenetic significance of the field of spinules distally on the sclerotized portion of the pregonite of *S. (Actinocrocuta)* and *S. (Pseudosiphona)* species, some species of New World species groups 1 and 2, and some unplaced New World *Siphona s.l.* species (Table 1 - character 45, state T). Much of the discussion above concerning the pregonite seta applies here as well, as a field of spinules is interpreted as an underlying synapomorphy of those taxa in which the state is both present and absent. A cladogram based strictly upon the criterion of presence of the apotypic state in at least one species of a *Siphona* lineage is shown in Fig. 171, but again it must be cautioned that non-expression of this underlying synapomorphy in taxa grouped on the left side of the cladogram would lead to misinterpretation of the phylogenetic affinities among these taxa. Of significance is the fact that all taxa grouped by presence of the spinulose state are New World in distribution, and there almost entirely restricted to the tropics and subtropics. Whether or not one or more of the other New World taxa belong in this group, there is at least evidence here for evolution of a higher clade of *Siphona s.l.* within the New World tropics.

One final conclusion can be drawn from the discussion of the three genitalic characters above: the distribution of the apotypic states is consistent with the interpretation of *Siphona s.l.* as a monophyletic lineage, which is independently

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supported by two synapotypies of first instars (states P32 and P33). Unfortunately the distributions of the apotopic states of these three characters are too phylogenetically equivocal to include as primary or secondary synapotypies of higher clades of *Siphona s.l.*
Fig. 164. Cladistic relationships and geographic distribution of the genera and subgenera of the Siphonini. Primary and secondary synapomorphies are denoted by the suffixes P and S respectively. The numbered synapomorphies are explained in the Evolution chapter and do not correspond to the numbers given to characters in the Structural Features chapter.
Fig. 165. Distribution of states for five characters relevant to the interpretation of the cladistic relationships of Goniocera B. & B. The male genitalia of Goniocera montium were not examined.
Fig. 166. Long preapical ad seta on fore tibia interpreted as synapotypic of Goniocera and the Proceromyia-Entomophaga lineage.

Fig. 167. Independent evolution of spinules on pregonite of Goniocera io and Ceromya s.s. (same as Fig. 210).

Fig. 168. Spinules on pregonite interpreted as synapotypic of Goniocera and Ceromya s.s.

Fig. 169. Spinules on pregonite interpreted as synapotypic of Goniocera and Ceromya s.s., with the former a derived subgroup of the latter.

Figs. 166–169. Varied interpretations of the cladistic relationships of Goniocera B. & B. See Fig. 165 for explanation of character states and text for discussion. Open circles indicate plesiotypic states, solid dots indicate apotypic states, and half solid dots indicate the presence of both states within a taxon: 166, cladistic relationship of Goniocera based on long preapical ad seta on fore tibia as an apotypic state; 167, cladistic relationship of Goniocera based on independent evolution of spinules on the male pregonite of Goniocera io and Ceromya s.s. species; 168, Goniocera and Ceromya s.s. as sister groups based on spinules on male pregonite as synapotypy; 169, Goniocera as derived subgroup of Ceromya s.s., based on one interpretation of spinules on male pregonite as synapotypy.

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170. One interpretation of the cladistic relationships within *Siphona s.l.*, based on presence of a seta posteriorly on male pregonite as synapotypy. 171. One interpretation of the cladistic relationships within *Siphona s.l.*, based on presence of spinules on the sclerotized portion of male pregonite as synapotypy.
Historical zoogeography

The Siphonini are not ideal for zoogeographic analysis because they are unknown from fossils, their sister group has not been determined and their phylogenetic history is not well resolved. It is therefore necessary to take a general approach to interpreting their zoogeographic history. Accordingly, I draw very heavily upon the studies of others concerning both physical and biotic aspects of earth history to help infer a little about how siphonines came to be distributed as they are. In this section emphasis is placed on interpreting the geographic history of New World siphonines.

The geographic distribution of the major lineages of the Siphonini are detailed in the species lists and Geographic Distribution sections of the Classification chapter, and summarized by region in Fig. 164. Eight patterns of distribution are evident among these lineages:

1. cosmopolitan — Ceromya s.s., Actia and S. (Siphona).
2. widespread Old World-Nearctic — S. (Ceranthia).
3. widespread Old World — Ceromya silacea species group, Peribaea and S. (Aphantorhaphopsis) (the latter is polyphyletic or paraphyletic with respect to other Siphona s.l. species, but is apparently without close affinities with New World Siphona s.l. species).
5. Palearctic — Proceromyia and Entomophaga.
7. Nearctic-Neotropical — S. (Aphantorapha), S. (Pseudosiphona), S. (Siphonopsis) and New World Siphona species groups 2 and 3.
8. Neotropical — S. (Actinocrocuta), S. (Uruactia) and New World Siphona species group 1.

Absent from the above patterns is any taxon of widely, and strictly, Southern Hemisphere distribution. Similarly, no such pattern is evident among species groups of the three cosmopolitan taxa. This negative evidence suggests that the Siphonini did not diversify in the Southern Hemisphere until after the breakup of Gondwanaland, either because they were initially of Laurasian distribution or they evolved somewhere in the Southern Hemisphere after South America, Africa and Australia drifted apart.

Breakup of Gondwanaland began with the separation and northward movements of Africa and India from the other southern continents, followed by separation of South America and then Australia from Antarctica. Timing of each of these events is inexact, though most workers agree that South America and Africa were in close proximity until the Late Cretaceous, and South America and Australia were narrowly jointed via Antarctica (or only narrowly separated) into the Early Tertiary (Adams 1981, Smith et al. 1981). Not only is the geologic timing of these events important to the zoogeographer, but also are the varied dispersal abilities of different organisms and the changing environmental conditions of the Cenozoic. All of these
factors affected the probability of particular organisms reaching new habitations.

Siphonines are moderately good dispersers, as judged from their limited species numbers on Madagascar and islands of the Caribbean and southeast Asia, and their virtual absence from mid-oceanic islands. This ability to cross moderate water gaps implies that siphonines cross barriers more readily than most terrestrial vertebrates, and can doubtfully cross such large distances as those now between South America, Africa and Australia.

I infer from the lack of a Gondwanaland distribution pattern among siphonines, the timing of the breakup of Gondwanaland and the dispersal powers of siphonines, that the history of the Siphonini in the Southern Hemisphere is entirely Cenozoic in age. This age could be extended to the Late Cretaceous if southern continents were farther apart at the beginning of the Cenozoic (or siphonines poorer dispersers) than here suggested.

I noted above that siphonines might have originated in Laurasia prior to the breakup of Gondwanaland (i.e. during the Cretaceous). This possibility cannot be corroborated or rejected by an analysis of siphonine relationships and present day distributions (Fig. 164). Instead, such an early age for the Siphonini is considered highly unlikely because fossil Calyptratae are virtually unknown from pre-Tertiary deposits, and extant calyptrates show few and suspect Gondwanian distributions (O'Hara 1983a: 329).

In summary, no evidence supports a pre-Tertiary origin of the Siphonini. Therefore, in the ensuing discussion, all aspects of the zoogeographic history of the Siphonini are couched in terms of Cenozoic events.

Large and small scale Cenozoic changes in earth climate, sea level, biotic associations and position and topography of continents must have produced a shifting array of physical and ecological barriers to the dispersal of siphonines. The interpretation of siphonine distribution patterns is inferred from a comparison of siphonine distribution (and hypothesized relationships) with major changes in earth history. As an introduction to the analyses of siphonine distributions, some of the major physical and ecological changes that are thought to have occurred during the Cenozoic are outlined. Most of this account is summarized from Adams (1981), with additions as noted.

Europe and Asia became separated by the Turgai Strait during Early Tertiary time, while the Tethys Sea slowly narrowed as Africa and India drifted northward. South America, severed from Africa in the Cretaceous and from Antarctica in the Late Paleogene, remained isolated from other land masses until the Pliocene. North America was in land contact with both Europe and Asia in the Early Tertiary. Two or three land bridges spanned the North Atlantic during the Paleogene, providing good avenues for biotic exchange between North America and Europe during most of this period. Though the histories of these land bridges are geologically complex and difficult to interpret, remnants of a North Atlantic corridor might have persisted even into the Miocene (Matthews 1979, Eldholm and Thiede 1980, McKenna 1983).
However, scanty fossil evidence of a functional Miocene corridor implies that it was, at best, a weak filter bridge at that time (also, Beringian interchange at that time could have produced similar fossil distributions).

Beringia probably provided a land corridor between Asia and North America throughout most of the Cenozoic until periodically submerged during the Quaternary (McKenna 1983). However, Beringia occupied a more northerly position with respect to the earth’s rotational pole during the Early Tertiary, so probably experienced a more extreme climate at that time than its North Atlantic counterpart. Hence, Beringia might have functioned more as a filter bridge than a land bridge in the Early Tertiary before assuming a relatively more southern position (McKenna 1983).

The climate during the Paleogene was considerably warmer than now even at high latitudes, peaking during the Early Eocene after several warm-cool fluctuations (Wolfe 1978, 1980, Axelrod 1983, Romero 1986). By Middle Eocene the earth’s climate had begun to deteriorate, causing retreat of paratropical forests (sensu Wolfe 1978) from high latitudes and their replacement with more temperate adapted elements. By the end of the Paleogene a seaway opened between Antarctica and Australia, and the Turgai Straits closed between Europe and Asia.

Climatic cooling continued, with periodic fluctuations, in the Neogene. Faunal exchange increased between Africa and Eurasia as the Tethys Sea narrowed, though changes in sea level alternately facilitated and hindered such exchange, as it did also as the Australian plate converged upon the island archipelago of southeast Asia (Martin 1982). Large scale climatic and biotic changes took place as the Tethys Sea closed and major mountain building occurred, particularly between Asia and the Indian subcontinent and along the western edge of the Americas. Antarctica grew progressively colder, with development of a polar ice cap in the Late Miocene (Mercer and Sutter 1982). Marked increase in exchange between North and South America began in the Pliocene with the emergence of a land corridor between these continents, which has persisted under changing ecological regimes to the present day. Most dramatic of all were the wide scale changes to the earth’s climate and biota during the ice ages of the Pleistocene.

The following discussion about the zoogeographic history of the Siphonini is partly based on three important assumptions: (1) siphonine evolution and diversification took place under the general Cenozoic conditions just described, (2) siphonines were more likely to shift geographically than ecologically in the face of changing climatic conditions (in the same way as most species are thought to have responded to Pleistocene climatic changes, for example), and (3) general patterns of siphonine distribution have not been profoundly limited by host availability (one might expect that siphonines, as parasitoids, have been constrained in their ability to diversify in newly invaded regions by lack of suitable hosts, yet no such constraints appear to have affected siphonine distributions).

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Two patterns of distribution are recognized among strictly Old World siphonines - one Palearctic and the other widespread (see list of patterns at beginning of section). The Palearctic pattern is shared by sister genera *Proceromyia* (with two eastern species) and *Entomophaga* (with two western species). A past vicariance of a widespread ancestor into an eastern *Proceromyia* and western *Entomophaga* lineage is the most obvious explanation for this pattern. However, these lineages may be relatively basal to siphonine phylogeny, so might once have been more diverse (and possibly more widespread) than at present. This might also account for the marked external differences among the extant species. On the other hand, the restriction of extant species to the Palearctic region, and a temperate environment, is suggestive of a more recent origin (perhaps during the Miocene when temperate forests reached their maximum extent; Graham 1972, Axelrod 1983).

Belonging to the second Old World distribution pattern are *Peribaea*, the *Ceromya silacea* species group and *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)*. *Peribaea* is widespread throughout all Old World regions, with more described species in the Australian region than any other siphonine lineage (partly, but not entirely, a reflection of recent taxonomic work by Shima 1970a). *Peribaea* species are also recorded from such islands as Fiji, Seychelles, Mauritius and Madagascar, so it is paradoxical that this highly vagile and speciose group has not reached the New World.

Little can be written about the distributions of the *Ceromya silacea* species group and *S. (Aphantorhaphopsis)* except that they, like other widespread taxa except *Peribaea*, have depauperate faunas in the Australian region. This pattern undoubtedly reflects the isolation of Australia, New Guinea and associated islands from Asia during most of the Cenozoic.

Two distribution patterns, those of *Goniocera* and *S. (Ceranthia)*, have Nearctic-Old World elements. The former is known from four temperate species, one in eastern North America and three in Europe. The phylogenetic relationships among these species are unknown, though the presence of possible sister groups to *Goniocera* in the Old World suggests that the genus arose there. Later dispersal to, and differentiation in, the New World probably occurred when temperate forests were widespread at high latitudes and continuous between North America and Eurasia. Such conditions developed during the Early Neogene, presumably after severance of a functional North Atlantic land bridge (though Axelrod (1983) hypothesizes exchange of temperate forest elements across both Beringia and a North Atlantic corridor in the Miocene). Therefore, barring long range dispersal from Europe, entry to the New World was probably through Beringia. The restricted ranges of the extant species, all far removed from Beringia yet cool adapted, are best accounted for by either an Early Neogene vicariance of a Holarctic species (with changes in range due to Miocene mountain building and global climatic changes), or a more recent vicariance followed by Pleistocene displacements (Fig. 172).

The subgenus *S. (Ceranthia)* also has a Nearctic-Old World distribution pattern. Old World species of this subgenus are almost equally split in number between the
Palearctic and Afrotropical regions, while the Nearctic element is strictly temperate. As with Goniocera, the temperate element of S. (Ceranthia) in the Nearctic region probably resulted from dispersal from the Old World during the Neogene (Fig. 172), possibly during the Miocene judging from the moderate number of Nearctic species (mostly undescribed).

Among the remaining distribution patterns are four Siphona lineages only recorded from either the Nearctic (S. (Baeomyia)) or Neotropical (S. (Actinocrocuta), S. (Uruactia) and New World Siphona species group 1) region. In patterns such as these where all members of a lineage are within one region, it is most parsimonious to postulate that each lineage evolved from an ancestral species in that region. This is almost certainly true of the three Neotropical lineages, since S. (Uruactia) is only known from two species in Peru and Ecuador, and S. (Actinocrocuta) and N.W. Siphona sp. grp. 1 are members of a monophyletic group (Fig. 171) of almost entirely Neotropical distribution. The history of Neotropical siphonines is discussed in more detail further on.

Three siphonine lineages have cosmopolitan distributions: Ceromya s.s., Actia and S. (Siphona). The zoogeographic history of S. (Siphona), with special emphasis on the North American fauna, was treated elsewhere (O’Hara 1983a). I hypothesized that periodic exchange between the Old and New World took place among S. (Siphona) species groups from the Eocene to the Pleistocene. In general, Holarctic elements were hypothesized as Middle Tertiary to Quaternary in age (Fig. 172) and more tropically distributed taxa with Old World-New World affinities of older ancestry (Fig. 173). I predict that similar hypotheses can explain the distributions of Ceromya s.s. and Actia species groups when these are phylogenetically analyzed.

It would appear from lists of described species that cosmopolitan lineages of the Siphonini are low in species diversity in both the Neotropical and Australian regions. Though this is so for the Australian region, it is not for the Neotropical region. The pattern of low diversity in the Australian region is the same as for most Old World siphonine lineages with Australian members, reflecting the relative isolation of that region from Asia for most of the Cenozoic (see above). South America was also isolated from other continents for most of the Cenozoic, so the high diversity of siphonines in that region poses an especially interesting zoogeographic problem.

The Neotropical region has three endemic siphonine taxa (S. (Actinocrocuta), S. (Uruactia) and New World Siphona species group 1), five lineages shared only with the Nearctic region (S. (Aphantorhapha), S. (Pseudosiphona), S. (Siphonopsis) and New World Siphona species groups 2 and 3), and elements of three cosmopolitan groups (Ceromya s.s., Actia and S. (Siphona)). How can this high diversity of Neotropical siphonines be explained? Whether the ancestors of most Neotropical lineages originated in that region or in the Old World is of minor importance, as the major pathways of movement (i.e. between the Americas and between North
America and Eurasia) would be the same even if the direction were reversed. The phylogenetic relationships are presently too inadequately known in *Ceromyia s.s.*, *Actia* or *S. (Siphona)* to strongly argue for or against an Old World origin of each (cf. O'Hara 1983a, in which an Old World origin was favored partly because the high diversity of these taxa in the Neotropical region was unknown). However, the possibly basal lineages of the Siphonini are Old World in distribution, so for the purpose of this discussion an Old World origin will be assumed for these three taxa. Certain lineages of *Siphona s.l.* are certainly New World in origin, as the distributions in Fig. 164 and possible relationships in Fig. 171 illustrate.

It follows from the review above about Cenozoic events and general assumptions about siphonine evolution, that the only route to (or from) South America during the Cenozoic would have been through North America. It is well known on the basis of both geologic and fossil evidence that South America was physically isolated from other continents during most of the Cenozoic. However, there were two periods of faunal and floral exchange with North America. The first is hypothesized as Paleocene (and Late Cretaceous), as evidenced and/or postulated from geologic evidence (Coney 1982) and distributions of angiosperms (Gentry 1982), herpetofauna (Savage 1982, Estes and Báez 1985), atherinid fishes (White 1985), colubrid snakes (Cadle 1985) and mammals (Gingerich 1985, Webb 1985a). The exact nature of the Paleocene connection is uncertain, though there is general agreement that it was probably an island chain and functioned as a filter bridge. Certain organisms evidently crossed this bridge more readily than others. The suggestion that this filter bridge persisted into the Eocene is not well documented.

The second period of biotic exchange between the Americas is very well corroborated and the subject of a recent multi-authored book, "The great American biotic interchange" (Stehli and Webb 1985). This interchange began in the Pliocene (about 3mybp [million years before present] according to most sources, but 5mybp according to others) with the emergence of a complete land corridor between the Americas. This corridor has alternately functioned, from that time to the present, as a route of dispersal for certain organisms and a barrier to others, as global climate fluctuated throughout the ice ages of the Pleistocene.

It is extremely doubtful that the diversity of Neotropical Siphonini can be entirely accounted for by immigrations since the Pliocene, though it is clear that present day siphonine sister species and sister groups distributed between Middle and South America are evidence of siphonine participation in the "great biotic interchange". The important question to be addressed here is whether earlier siphonine arrivals to South America were over a water gap or across a filter or land bridge.

Assuming (as above) that siphonines originated in the Old World during the Cenozoic and have generally maintained their ecological affinities during periods of major climatic change, it follows that ancestors of extant Neotropical siphonines entered North America from Eurasia at a time during the Tertiary when land bridges
between the continents were subtropical to tropical in nature. As the only such land bridges were at high latitudes (Beringia and across the North Atlantic), and the climatic optimum of the Early Eocene was the only time during the Tertiary that these corridors supported such conditions, it is hypothesized that an ancestral stock of Neotropical Siphonini entered the New World at that time. (Webb, comparing mammal faunas of Europe and North America, called the warm period of the Early Eocene "the most intensive intercontinental interchange between any two continental mammal faunas before the Great American Interchange." (1985a: 207)) Then, as global climate cooled in the latter part of the Paleogene and temperate forests began to replace the retreating tropical forests, siphonines became increasingly more southerly distributed in North America (Fig. 173). This sequence of events was proposed to explain Mexican elements of S. (Siphona) (O'Hara 1983a), and to explain some elements of the Central American herpetofauna (Savage 1982).

The zoogeographic scenario has thus far tended toward a vicariant explanation of siphonine history. However, only dispersal events over a wide water gap or across a weak filter bridge can account for the earliest siphonine entries into South America (Fig 173). Even if siphonines colonized North America in the Eocene and reached the southern part of the continent shortly thereafter, they would still have arrived too late to cross the Paleocene filter bridge into South America. There is no evidence from the Eocene to the Miocene of a land corridor between the Americas, and little evidence for an even weak filter bridge until the Late Miocene. (An intermittent filter bridge is mostly hypothesized to explain the first appearance of certain organisms in the fossil record of either North or South America - e.g. Stehli and Webb 1985, Chapter 1.) Whether or not a filter bridge existed from time to time during this interval, there is nevertheless a suggestion of faunal and floral exchange, as inferred from cricetine rodents (Hershkovitz 1966, 1972), angiosperms (Raven and Axelrod 1975), carabid beetles (Ball 1978, Allen and Ball 1980, Ball and Shpeley 1983, Noonan 1985), mammals (Webb 1985b), ectoparasites of mammals (Wenzel and Tipton 1966), primates and caviomorph rodents (Wood 1985 [though the zoogeographic interpretations of these groups are highly controversial]) and herpetofauna (Vanzolini and Heyer 1985). Siphonines, like these taxa, seem to have preceded, as well as participated in, the "great biotic interchange" in their colonization of South America. When, and how often, is uncertain. The large clade of Neotropical Siphona s.l. species (Fig. 171) suggests at least a moderate history in South America (Oligocene or Miocene?). The high species diversity of Ceromya s.s., Actia and S. (Siphona) in the Neotropics also suggests that members of these lineages reached South America before formation of the Pliocene land bridge (Fig. 173).

A minor element of the Nearctic siphonine fauna is possibly derived from tropical adapted siphonines. Two sources are hypothesized: Firstly, differentiation of temperate adapted taxa from tropical adapted taxa as subtropical to tropical
conditions over most of the region were replaced by warm temperate to boreal
cases after the climatic deterioration of the Eocene. (Similar to the hypothesis
that the vegetation of the Sonoran Desert is mostly derived from contiguous, less
arid adapted, taxa; Axelrod 1979.) It has been assumed throughout this section that
the evolution of new ecological affinities such as this have played a minor role in
the history of New World Siphonini - an analysis of relationships among North
American S. (Siphona) suggests this is a valid assumption (O’Hara 1983a).
Secondly, a few Nearctic taxa are likely derived from reinvasion of the region from
Middle or South America (Fig. 172). Most of these taxa are southerly distributed
in the Nearctic region.

Perhaps as more organisms are studied, particularly vagile organisms like many
insects, vicariance biogeographers will recognize biotic exchange between North
and South America as a zoogeographic problem demanding of both dispersal and
vicariant explanations. Cracraft (1975), for instance, considered the patterns of
distribution between the Americas as inadequately interpretable by vicariant events
alone. It must be realized that in certain areas dispersal cannot be ignored in favor of
the “rigorous” method of vicariance biogeography. Erwin, discussing how
vicariance biogeographers interpret distributional data, wrote:

“The major flaw of the entire Croizat school [vicariance biogeography] is
that their method is no more “general” [meaning “vicariance ... is to be
assumed and dispersal only explains special cases”] than that of the
dispersal or centrist’s school, because biological organisms are not
generalists! All groups and subsets of groups have their own unique
powers of movement or lack of movement and each group must be dealt
with on its own merits with full knowledge of powers of dispersal,
passive or active, or lack thereof.” (1979: 357)

Summary of the zoogeographic history of the Siphonini

(1) The Siphonini are hypothesized as originating during the Cenozoic, because of
the virtual absence of Mesozoic fossil Calyptratae and lack of recognizable
Gondwanian distributions among extant siphonines.

(2) The present distributions of sister genera Proceromyia and Entomophaga in
eastern and western Palearctic, respectively, suggest a past vicariance of a
widespread Palearctic ancestor. However, the possibly rather basal position of
this clade in the Siphonini might reflect an older ancestry than otherwise
suspected.

(3) A general pattern of low diversity is noted in the Australian region for most
siphonine lineages. This pattern is explained by the relative isolation of
Australia and associated islands from southeast Asia during most of the
Tertiary, which prevented rapid dispersal of siphonines into the region, and
hence limited the opportunity for speciation therein.

(4) It is assumed from largely inferential evidence that the Siphonini originated in the Old World, so the high diversity of New World siphonines must be explained by northern routes of entry (across Beringia and the North Atlantic) from Eurasia (Figs. 172-173).

(5) Most Nearctic siphonines are descendants of Old World taxa that became widespread in the Holarctic region since the Middle Tertiary, as temperate and boreal conditions replaced the more tropical conditions of the Eocene (Fig. 172). A minor component of the Nearctic fauna is derived from tropical adapted siphonines. These either differentiated in situ from tropical adapted siphonines as global climate cooled and temperate forests expanded, or reinvaded the Nearctic region from Middle or South America (Fig. 172).

(6) It is assumed that siphonines have generally maintained their ecological affinities through periods of climatic change. Therefore, Neotropical siphonines are hypothesized as descendants of Old World, tropical adapted, siphonines that became widespread in the Holarctic region during the climatic optimum of the Eocene. Subsequent deterioration in climate and periodic crossing of a water barrier (weak filter bridge?) between the Americas during the Middle to Late Tertiary, and speciation in South America, accounts for the high diversity of some siphonine lineages in the Neotropical region (particularly the large clade of Neotropical Siphona s.l. species) (Fig. 173).

(7) Sister species and groups distributed on either side of the Isthmus of Panama (mostly Middle America-South America) are evidence of siphonine participation in the "great American interchange" of the Pliocene and Quaternary.

Predictions and tests of zoogeographic hypotheses

(1) No Gondwanian distribution patterns will be recognized among siphonines.

(2) More resolved phylogenies of both higher taxa and species groups of the Siphonini will more firmly establish the Old World origin of most lineages and corroborate the suspected affinities between Nearctic and Palearctic Siphonini (i.e. similar relationships are expected to those hypothesized for S. (Siphona); O'Hara 1983a).

(3) The largely endemic nature of Neotropical Siphonini will become apparent as relationships to faunas of other regions are resolved, reflecting the old origin of the fauna from Early Eocene, North American, ancestors.

(4) Indirect corroboration will be forthcoming from similar interpretations of Neotropical elements of similarly distributed taxa, and corroboration or refutation of aspects of earth history herein reviewed.

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Fig. 172. General zoogeographic history of Nearctic elements of the Siphonini. Three ancestral sources are hypothesized as contributing to the siphonine fauna of the Nearctic region:

(1) most taxa are derived from Old World ancestors crossing Beringia from the Middle Tertiary to the Pleistocene. These taxa evolved in association with warm temperate to boreal biomes.

(2) a minor component is derived from in situ differentiation, as tropical adapted siphonines shifted southward, and temperate forests expanded, following the climatic deterioration of the Eocene.

(3) another minor component, mostly southern Nearctic in distribution, are taxa that reached the Nearctic region from Middle or South America. Taxa reaching North America from South America did so either before (very few taxa) or after a land corridor was established between these continents in the Pliocene.
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Middle Tertiary southward shift

Middle and Late Tertiary over-water dispersal

Pre-Pliocene history of Neotropical elements of the Siphonini

Actia
Ceromya s.s.
S. (Actinothephia)
S. (Hapantorhapha)
S. (Pseudosiphona)
S. (Siphona)
S. (Siphonopsis)
S. (Uruactu)
New World Siphona sp. grp. 1
New World Siphona sp. grp. 2
New World Siphona sp. grp. 3

Fig. 173. Pre-Pliocene zoogeographic history of Neotropical Siphonini. An ancestral stock of tropical adapted siphonines are hypothesized to have reached North America across Beringia and/or North Atlantic land bridges during the climatic optimum of the Early Eocene. These taxa became more southerly distributed as global climate deteriorated. In the absence of a land bridge between the Americas for most of the Cenozoic, ancestral siphonines of several major lineages crossed a water gap (weak filter bridge?) to reach South America. Exchange was facilitated between the Americas after establishment of a land corridor in the Pliocene (as siphonines participated in the "great American interchange").

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CONCLUDING REMARKS

I have set forth in this paper a revised classification of the supraspecific taxa of the Siphonini. For the first time, the markedly different classifications of the Old and New World Siphonini have been meshed. Relatively few taxonomic changes are proposed as a result of this action, except for a number of changes in rank to update and balance the classification (particularly with respect to genus group names among New World Siphona group taxa) and several new higher level combinations required on phylogenetic grounds.

Considerable effort was made to classify - and provide a key for identification of - Neotropical siphonines, even though most of the known species are undescribed. However, this effort is but a preliminary attempt, and apt to be inadequate for some taxa. Present categories will need to be modified, and new subgenera of Siphona s.l. will almost certainly need to be erected, when the diverse siphonine fauna of the Neotropical region is more completely studied and the species described.

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