

OBITUARY

On the 20 September 1980 our colleague Serge JACQUEMART died after a short illness.

S.Jacquemart, born in Chênée (Liège) 1926, worked at the Institut Royal des Sciences Naturelles in Brussels since 1948. He was an expert on the taxonomy of Trichoptera and Collembola and he interested himself in the ecology of the soil fauna. After studying a number of habitats, in particular freshwater ones, he took up the study of African Trichoptera, mostly collected by Belgian expeditions to the great lakes of Africa, and to the National Parks of Zaire. Later, in 1961 he turned to Collembola, and worked on material sent to him from Europe and Africa. He also collected himself during many overseas expeditions, which included the Middle East (Iran), Ceylon, Thailand, Sahara (Air), Niger, the Galapagos Islands, Argentina, Chile, Juan Fernandez, Easter Island, Peru, Bolivia, Costa Rica and Paraguay. His last mission to Paraguay was not completed because he contracted the disease from which he died one month later.

S.Jacquemart was also an artist and excelled in the casting of plants and animals, in plaster and in plastic and in the mounting of ecological dioramas for museums. He published many papers, most of which appeared in the Bulletin de l'Institut Royal des Sciences Naturelles; several others have still to be published. His list of publications is too long to be given here but is available on request from the writer.

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