

# New Neotropical genera and species of the tribe Osoriini (Coleoptera: Staphylinidae: Osoriinae)

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## Summary

The paper is part of a comprehensive review of the Neotropical genera and species of the tribe Osoriini. Here, the remaining genera and species are described and a key to the Neotropical genera of the tribe is given. The following new genera are described: *Osoriosetus* with the new species *O. hanagarthi*, *Neorhabdopsis* with the new species *N. brasiliensis*, *N. lutzi*, *N. panamae*, and *N. pecki*. The following genera are new for the Neotropical region: *Tumboecus* FAGEL, 1959 with the new species *T. verhaaghi* and *T. struyvei*, *Neosorius* FAGEL, 1959 with the new species *N. mexicanus* and *N. brasiliensis*, *Paratorchus* MCCOLL, 1985 with the eight species *P. tilli* spec. nov., *P. brasiliensis* (IRMLER, 1983) comb. nov., *P. boliviensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *P. breviatus* (IRMLER, 2007) comb. nov., *P. chilensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *P. chiriquensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *P. columbiensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *P. panamae* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955 with the six species *H. pubescens* (SHARP, 1876) comb. nov., *H. subtilis* (SHARP, 1876) comb. nov., *H. amazonicus* (IRMLER, 1981) comb. nov., *H. adisi* (IRMLER, 2013) comb. nov., *H. danoffburgi* (IRMLER, 2001) comb. nov., *H. siolii* (IRMLER, 2001) comb. nov. New species are added to the genus *Oryssoma* NOTMAN, 1925 *O. polita* spec. nov., *O. exalatum* (BLACKWELDER, 1943) comb. nov., and *O. microptera* (BLACKWELDER, 1943) comb. nov.

## Key words

Neotropics, new species, new genera, Osoriini, Staphylinidae

## Zusammenfassung

Die vorliegende Arbeit ist Teil eines umfangreichen Reviews über die neotropischen Gattungen und Arten des Tribus Osoriini. Neue oder bisher nicht aus der Neotropis aufgeführte Gattungen und Arten werden beschrieben und ein Bestimmungsschlüssel der neotropischen Gattungen vorgestellt. Die folgenden neuen Gattungen werden beschrieben: *Osoriosetus* mit der neuen Art *O. hanagarthi*, *Neorhabdopsis* mit den Arten *N. brasiliensis*, *N. lutzi*, *N. panamae* und *N. pecki*. Die folgenden Gattungen sind neu für die Neotropis: *Tumboecus* FAGEL, 1959 mit den neuen Arten *T. verhaaghi* und *T. struyvei*, *Neosorius* FAGEL, 1959 mit den neuen Arten *N. mexicanus* und *N. brasiliensis*, *Paratorchus* MCCOLL, 1985 mit den acht Arten *P. tilli* spec. nov., *P. brasiliensis* (IRMLER, 1983) comb. nov., *P. boliviensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *P. breviatus* (IRMLER, 2007) comb. nov., *P. chilensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *P. chiriquensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *P. columbiensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *P. panamae* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov., *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955 mit den sechs Arten *H. pubescens* (SHARP, 1876) comb. nov., *H. subtilis*

(SHARP, 1876) comb. nov., *H. amazonicus* (IRMLER, 1981) comb. nov., *H. adisi* (IRMLER, 2013) comb. nov., *H. danoffburgi* (IRMLER, 2001) comb. nov. und *H. siolii* (IRMLER, 2001) comb. nov. Folgende Arten werden für die Gattung *Oryssoma* NOTMAN, 1925 neu beschrieben bzw. zugeordnet: *O. polita* spec. nov., *O. exalatum* (BLACKWELDER, 1943) comb. nov. und *O. microptera* (BLACKWELDER, 1943) comb. nov.

## Schlüsselwörter

Neotropis, neue Arten, neue Gattungen, Osoriini, Staphylinidae

## Introduction

The present study is part of a more comprehensive study on the Neotropical *Osorius* complex. According to FAGEL (1959) the genera of the *Osorius* complex in the tribe Osoriini are characterised by the following characters: at least slightly enlarged protibia with spines on its outer edge, and geniculate antennae. The species formerly described in the genus *Osorius* were reviewed, new species and genera described (IRMLER 2010b, IRMLER 2014a). Subsequently, the genus *Osoriellus* FAGEL, 1959 was studied that represents the most species rich genus in the Neotropics (IRMLER 2014b). The genus *Osoriellus* comprises all species with setose posterior face of the protibia. Many species formerly described under the genus *Osorius* were transferred to the genus *Osoriellus*. During the present study several species were found that could not be included into genera known from the Neotropical region. New genera have to be established and new species described and placed to genera either known or new to the Neotropics. Additionally, a review of the Neotropical species of the genus *Holotrochus* was executed and compared with the African genera *Holotropsis* FAGEL, 1955, *Holotrochomorphus* FAGEL, 1955 and the New Zealand genus *Paratorchus* MCCOLL, 1985 that resulted in the presence of the genera *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955 and *Paratorchus* MCCOLL, 1985 in the Neotropical fauna. Therefore, a new key to the genera of Osoriini including the newly described or newly found genera for the Neotropics is presented here.

## Material and methods

The material studied in this investigation is presently deposited in the following museums and private collections.

AMNH	American Museum of Natural History, New York, U.S.A.
BMNH	The Natural History Museum, London, United Kingdom
KNHM	University of Kansas, Museum of Natural History, Lawrence, Kansas, U.S.A.
MNHP	Muséum national d'Histoire naturelle, Paris, France
NMPC	National Museum of Natural History, Prague, Czech Republic
UIC	Ulrich Irmeler collection, Plön, Germany
TSC	Tim Struyve collection, Mechelen, Belgium

For the photographs of the species, a Makroskop M 420 (Wild Herbrugg) was used in combination with a digital camera (Leica EC3). CombineZ5 (HADLEY 2006) was used to optimise the depth of focus. Length was measured in the middle of tagmata: head from clypeus to posterior edge, pronotum from anterior to posterior edge along midline, elytra from anterior edge at shoulders to posterior edge; width at the widest part of tagmata (head width includes eyes). In the measurement of total length, the abdominal inter-segmental space is omitted.

## Results

Description of the new genera and remarks to genera new to the Neotropics

### *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955

The genus *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955 was described on the basis of some African species that are characterised by distinct pubescence and large prominent eyes. FAGEL (1955) separated the genus from the related genus *Holotrochomorphus* FAGEL, 1955 mainly by the larger eyes. In contrast to *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955, eyes in *Holotrochomorphus* FAGEL, 1955 are smaller and not prominent. Additionally, both genera differ in the hairline of the pubescence. In *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955 the hairline is straight, from front to back, whereas it is transversal in *Holotrochomorphus* FAGEL, 1955q.

The referring species of the Neotropics were described under the *H. pubescens* group of the genus *Holotrochus* ERICHSON, 1840 and are transferred here to *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955.

### *Neorhabdopsis* gen. nov.

**Type species:** *Neorhabdopsis lutzei* spec. nov.; here designated as the type species for the genus.

**Etymology:** The generic name is a combination of the Greece word *Neo* meaning new and *Rhabdopsis* that refers to the similar African genus.

**Description:** Length & habitus: elongate; blind with reduced elytra and long abdomen; small species of about 1.5–2.0 mm.

Head approximately quadrate; clypeus semicircular; sinuate in front of base of antennae; labrum rectangular; eyes absent; setiferous punctation; without distinct neck.

Antennae not geniculate; first antennomere thick; width of antennomeres increasing from second antennomere to apex.

Pronotum quadrate or slightly longer than wide; widest in middle or close to anterior angles; in posterior half convergent; lateral margin fine; with setiferous punctation.

Elytra transverse; shorter than pronotum; divergent from shoulders to posterior edge; hind wings reduced; with suture and suture lines; with setiferous punctation.

Abdomen densely and coarsely punctate; punctures with long setae.

Protibia enlarged; inner edge emarginated, with comb; in posterior aspect, totally visible; outer edge with spines inserted directly on edge; posterior face with few long setae; tarsi pentamere.

Aedeagus with spiral endophallus; apical lobe curved; paramera present; with one or two long setae at apex.

**Diagnosis:** Similar to the African genus *Rhaphodopsis* FAGEL, 1959 in the yellow colouration, shape of pronotum, short elytra and absence of eyes. However, the aedeagus of these two genera is different: the aedeagus of *Rhaphodopsis* has no parameres and is nearly globular, whereas the aedeagus of *Neorhaphodopsis* has distinctive parameres with one or two apical long setae.

#### *Neosorius* FAGEL, 1959

The genus *Neosorius* was defined by FAGEL (1959) using the following characters: protibia at least shortly dentate; posterior face of protibia at least with few spines; aedeagus with endophallus. The problems with the genera *Neosorius* and *Osoriellus* FAGEL (1959) were already discussed in the papers concerning the genera *Osorius* (IRMLER 2010b) and *Osoriellus* (IRMLER 2014b). Many species in the Neotropics have a digitate protibia but only setose posterior face of the protibia and no endophallus. They are now placed in the genus *Osoriellus*. Finally, only two new species remained that could be placed to the genus *Neosorius* since they combine all characters of the genus.

#### *Osoriocanthus* FAGEL, 1959

The genus *Osoriocanthus* was defined by FAGEL (1959) using the following characters: dentate shoulders of elytra; long setae on posterior face of the protibia; digitate protibia; no endophallus. No species was found

combining all characters of the genus. A few species newly described under the genus *Osoriellus* are very similar (IRMLER 2014b), but differ in some respect. Only one female specimen from Peru might be placed to the genus since it combines all generic characters. However, as the male is unknown, the aedeagus could not be studied. Nevertheless, it might be that the genus exists in the Neotropical region.

#### *Osoriosetus* gen. nov.

**Type species:** *Osoriosetus hanagarthi* spec. nov., here designated as the type species for the genus.

**Etymology:** The generic name is a combination of the words *Osorius* that refers to the relation to the *Osorius* complex and *setus* referring to the densely setose posterior face of the protibia.

**Description:** Length & habitus: elongate; typical habitus of genera of *Osorius* complex; moderately large species of about 5 to 6 mm.

Head approximately quadrate; sides in front of eyes sinuate; labrum rectangular; eyes well developed; setiferous punctation; setae short; few longer supraocular and praeocular setae; without distinct neck; neck separated from vertex by absence of punctation.

Antennae geniculate; antennomeres increasing in width from base to apex.

Pronotum subparallel; emarginate in front of posterior angles; lateral margin fine, of equal width throughout its total length; setiferous punctation coarse.

Elytra approximately quadrate; shoulders nearly rectangular; suture present; setiferous punctation in irregular rows.

Abdomen with all tergites densely and coarsely punctate; punctures setiferous.

Protibia extremely enlarged; semicircular, posterior face setose; without spines; outer edge of protibia with more than 10 spines; in posterior aspect, comb and emargination of inner edge completely covered; in posterior aspect without inner emargination; inner edge straight.

Aedeagus without endophallus; apical lobe curved; paramera absent.

**Diagnosis:** The genus is closely related to the genera *Antillosorius* IRMLER, 2010b and *Osoriellus* FAGEL, 1959 concerning the setose posterior face and the absence of spines on the posterior face of the protibia. As in *Osoriellus*, the lateral margin of the pronotum is equal in width, which separates *Osoriosetus* and *Osoriellus* from *Antillosorius*. The specific semicircular shape of the protibia is unique in the genera of the *Osorius* complex and justifies establishing a new genus. At present, the genus is only known from South-America.

*Paratorchus* McCOLL, 1985

The referring species from New Zealand were described under the generic name *Paratrochus* McCOLL, 1982. As *Paratrochus* was preoccupied, McCOLL (1985) later renamed the genus to *Paratorchus* McCOLL, 1985. However, the definition of the genus was vague and a comparison with *Holotrochus* or related genera was not made. McCOLL (1982) defined *Paratorchus* by reduced eyes with one to ten ommatidia and reduced elytra that are shorter than the pronotum and much wider than long. Furthermore, sutural striae are sometimes absent, shoulders prominent, and abdominal pubescence variable.

FAGEL (1955) described two African genera that are also characterised by absence of sutural striae, i.e. *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955 and *Holotrochomorphus* FAGEL, 1955. Both genera are additionally characterised by distinct pubescence. Some species of *Holotrochomorphus* FAGEL, 1955 have reduced elytra (FAGEL, 1958) but never as short as in *Paratorchus* McCOLL, 1985.

Similar species from the Neotropics were described under a specific group of the genus *Holotrochus* by IRMLER (1981, 1987, 2005), but included all species with reduced eyes independent of the elytral length. The recent finding of a new species from Mexico shows that species with reduced eyes and elytra and indistinct sutural striae are widely spread in the Neotropics and can be separated from *Holotrochus* not only by reduced eyes but also by the absence or reduction of the sutural striae.

Therefore, species with these characters will be transferred to *Paratorchus* McCOLL, 1985. Regarding the Neotropical species, *Paratorchus* is separated from *Holotrochus* by reduced eyes with one to twenty ommatidia, reduced elytra that are much wider than long,

absence or indistinct sutural striae, and rectangular or even dentate shoulders.

Species with reduced eyes but quadrate elytra such as *H. neotropicus* IRMLER, 1981 or with distinct sutural striae such as *H. centralensis* IRMLER, 2005 will remain in the genus *Holotrochus*.

*Tumboecus* FAGEL, 1959

The genus *Tumboecus* was created by FAGEL (1959) on the basis of one African female specimen. The African species, *T. nitidus*, is characterised by pentamere tarsi, non-geniculate antennae, protibia not enlarged, but with five long spines at its outer edge, normally long elytra and the presence of hind-wings. These characters are also found in the Neotropical species of the genus. In contrast to the African species with fine punctation, the Neotropical species are densely and coarsely punctate and punctures are setiferous. However, this difference does not justify creating a new genus. Unfortunately, the African specimen is a female. Thus, nothing is known about its aedeagal structure. The Neotropical species of the genus have an aedeagus that resembles that of the genera of the *Osorius* complex. It has no paramera and a specific endophallus, which resembles those of the genus *Neosorius* FAGEL, 1959. A generic difference between the African and Neotropical species can be only established, if males of African species are found and the aedeagi differ considerably from the Neotropical species.

The species of the genus *Tumboecus* FAGEL, 1959 are between 2 and 3 mm long. They resemble small species of the genus *Osoriellus* FAGEL, 1959, but differ in the presence of an endophallus and the non-geniculate

## Key to the genera of the tribe Osoriini

1. Protibia and mesotibia with setae at outer edge, antennae not angulate ..... 2
- At least protibia with several spines on outer edge, antennae mostly angulate ..... 8
2. Pronotum in front of posterior edge deeply emarginate ..... 3
- Pronotum in front of posterior edge not emarginate ..... 5
3. Eyes small, only few ommatidia present, elytra short, twice as wide as long ..... *Mimotrochus* IRMLER, 1987
- Eyes of normal size, usually distinctly prominent, elytra longer, as wide as or longer than wide ..... 4
4. Pronotum laterally margined including the emargination in front of posterior angles, posterior angles with depression ..... *Mimogonus* FAUVEL, 1903
- Emargination of pronotum not margined ..... *Mimogonia* COIFFAIT, 1978
5. Clypeus emarginate; head and pronotum with broad lateral margin ..... *Craspedus* BERNHAUER, 1908
- Clypeus not emarginate; head not margined, pronotum with a fine lateral margin ..... 6
6. Elytra with sutural striae ..... *Holotrochus* ERICHSON, 1839
- Elytra without sutural striae or only remains of striae ..... 7
7. Body pubescent, eyes normally large and prominent, elytra longer than wide ..... *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955

- Body not pubescent, eyes short, not prominent, elytra short, much wider than long, habitus (Fig. 18A-E, 19A, B) ..... *Paratorchus* McCOLL, 1985
- 8. Antennae angulate, first antennomere elongate, at least as long as three following antennomeres ..... 11
- Antennae not angulate, first antennomere thicker than following antennomere, but shorter than three following antennomere ..... 9
- 9. Without eyes ..... 10
- With eyes, tarsi pentamere, habitus (Fig. 15E, F) ..... *Tumboecus* FAGEL, 1959
- 10. Tarsi with five tarsomeres, habitus (Fig. 16A-D) ..... *Neorhabdopsis* gen. nov.
- Tarsi with three tarsomeres, habitus (Fig. 17B) ..... *Tavakilianidia* OROUSSET, 1985
- 11. Tarsi with 3 tarsomeres ..... 12
- Tarsi with 5 tarsomeres ..... 13
- 12. Eyes with one omatidium, habitus (Fig. 15A) ..... *Ouloglène* NOTMAN, 1925
- Eyes small or normally large, habitus (Fig. 15B, C, D) ..... *Oryssoma* NOTMAN, 1925
- 13. Pronotum without lateral margin, clypeus with two long acute teeth, head and pronotum dull, body totally covered with setae ..... *Anancosorius* BERNHAUER, 1908
- Pronotum with lateral margin, clypeal teeth, if present, broad or obtuse ..... 14
- 14. Shoulders of elytra dentate ..... *Osoriocanthus* FAGEL, 1959
- Shoulders of elytra not dentate ..... 15
- 15. Protibia semicircular, comb of inner emargination not visible in posterior aspect, habitus (Fig. 17A) ..... *Osoriosetus* gen. nov.
- Protibia broad, but never semicircular, comb of inner emargination at least partly visible in posterior aspect .... 16
- 16. Pronotum at least slightly emarginate in front of posterior angles, lateral margin of pronotum widened to posterior angles ..... 17
- Margin of pronotum equal in width, sides evenly narrowed from anterior to posterior angles or with emargination in front of posterior angles ..... 18
- 17. Posterior side of protibia with setae and spines ..... *Osorius* GUÉRIN-MÉNEVILLE, 1829
- Posterior side of protibia only setose, without short and thick spines ..... *Antillosorius* IRMLER, 2010b
- 18. Posterior side of protibia only setose, without thick spines, aedeagus without endophallus ..... *Osoriellus* FAGEL, 1959
- Posterior side of protibia with spines and setae, aedeagus with endophallus, habitus (Fig. 16E, F) ..... *Neosorius* FAGEL, 1959

antennae. Referring to the aedeagal structure and the non-geniculate antennae, *Tumboecus* seems to be intermediate between the genera of the *Osorius* complex and the other genera of the tribe Osoriini.

### Description of species

*Neorhabdopsis brasiliensis* spec. nov.  
(Figs 5A–C, 16A)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Brazil: Rio de Janeiro, Planalto Itatiaia (44°33'W, 22°29'S), 2300 m elevation, 20.04.1958, leg. R. Arlé (UIC).

**Etymology:** The specific name derived from the country, where the species was collected.

**Description:** Length: 1.7 mm, Colouration: Red, legs and antennae yellow.

Head: 0.26 mm long, 0.37 mm wide; clypeus semicircular; setiferous punctation moderately deep and dense; setae yellow; netlike microsculpture deep and dense; surface matt.

Antennae slightly longer than head and half of pronotum combined; first antennomere rectangular thick; second oblong, slightly less wide than first; third antennomere conical, slightly shorter and narrower than second; fourth antennomere as wide as third; approximately quadrate; following antennomeres slightly

increasing in width; penultimate antennomere 1.5 times as wide as long.

Pronotum: 0.36 mm long, 0.40 mm wide; widest behind middle; slightly and evenly narrowed to anterior angles; to posterior angles narrowed in smooth convex curve; continuing to posterior margin without forming distinct angles; lateral margin extremely fine; not visible in dorsal aspect; setiferous punctation deep, coarse; on average, interstices between punctures half as wide as diameter of punctures; setae light yellow; moderately wide midline impunctate; netlike microsculpture deep and dense; surface matt.

Elytra: 0.26 mm long, 0.39 mm wide; widest in posterior third; with distinct shoulders; setiferous punctation still coarser than on pronotum; nearly coriaceous; setae light yellow; netlike microsculpture deep and dense; surface matt.

Abdomen with setiferous punctation still coarser than on elytra; on average, interstices between punctures one third as wide as diameter of punctures; without microsculpture; surface matt.

Protibia with few spines on outer edge and few long setae on posterior face.

Aedeagus with smoothly curved apical lobe; paramera slightly shorter than apical lobe and with long straight seta at apex; endophallus thick with elongate coil at lower and upper end and two narrow coils in between.

**Diagnosis:** Among the genus the species can be easily identified by the distinct microsculpture and the evenly curved sides of the pronotum.

*Neorhabdopsis pecki* spec. nov.

(Figs 6A–C, 16B)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Mexico, Veracruz, 1 mi. S Huatusco, 1344 m elevation, sampled by Berlese (#171), 02.08.1969, leg. S. & J. Peck (AMNH).

**Etymology:** The specific name is given to honor the collectors of the species.

**Description:** Length: 1.5 mm. Colouration: yellow, legs and antennae light yellow.

Head: 0.22 mm long, 0.30 mm wide; clypeus semicircular; setiferous punctation irregularly deep and dense; setae short and yellow; on average, interstices between punctures shorter than diameter of punctures; on vertex partly as wide as diameter of punctures; netlike microsculpture wide and moderately deep; on average, meshes wider than diameter of punctures; surface slightly shiny.

Antennae slightly longer than head and half of pronotum combined; first antennomere thick and rectangular; second oblong and slightly narrower than first; third antennomere only half as wide as second and conical; following antennomeres wider than long and increasing

in width; fourth slightly wider than long; sixth twice as wide as long; tenth 1.5 times wider than long.

Pronotum: 0.30 mm long, 0.31 mm wide; widest shortly behind anterior angles; smoothly and evenly narrowed to posterior angles; posterior angles obtuse, but distinct; lateral margin moderately fine; visible in dorsal aspect except near anterior angles; setiferous punctation coarse, partly coriaceous; setae short and yellow; moderately wide midline impunctate; on average, interstices between punctures distinctly shorter than diameter of punctures, but in posterior half interstices partly much wider; netlike microsculpture deep; on average, meshes as wide as diameter of punctures; surface moderately shiny.

Elytra: 0.19 mm long, 0.31 mm wide; widest in posterior half; shoulders smoothly curved, not rectangular; setiferous punctation large and dense; setae moderately long and yellow; on average, interstices between punctures less than half as wide than diameter of punctures; without microsculpture; surface slightly shiny.

Abdomen with similar dense and deep punctation as on elytra; setae also moderately long and yellow.

Protibia with five spines at outer edge and few setae on posterior face.

Aedeagus elongate; with smoothly curved apical lobe; paramera slightly shorter than apical lobe; at apex with two long setae; endophallus narrow; with two long coils at base and one short coil at apex.

**Diagnosis:** *N. pecki* is the smallest species of the genus. In contrast to *N. brasiliensis* and *N. lutzi*, it is lighter yellow. Concerning the shape of the pronotum, it resembles *N. brasiliensis*, but the surface is shinier due to the less deep microsculpture. Compared to *N. lutzi*, the pronotum of *N. pecki* has no emargination in front of the posterior angles.

*Neorhabdopsis lutzi* spec. nov.

(Figs 7A–C, 16C)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Panama, Barro Colorado, C.Z., Nov. 1930, leg. F.E. Lutz (AMNH).

Paratypes: 2 males, 3 females, with same data as holotype (AMNH, UIC).

**Etymology:** The specific name is given to honor the collector of the species.

**Description:** Length: 1.7 mm. Colouration: Yellow; legs and antennae slightly lighter yellow.

Head: 0.19 mm long, 0.33 mm wide; fore-head semicircular; setiferous punctation dense and deep; on average, interstices between punctures half as wide as diameter of punctures; remains of netlike microsculpture; surface moderately shiny.

Antennae slightly longer than head and half of pronotum combined; first antennomere rectangular; second

oval; third conical and slightly narrower than second; following antennomeres wider than long and increasing in width; fourth antennomere slightly wider than long, nearly quadrate; tenth antennomere 1.5 times wider than long.

Pronotum: 0.32 mm long, 0.39 mm wide; widest in the middle; slightly narrowed to anterior angles; in posterior half more strongly narrowed and with emargination in front to posterior angles; posterior angles distinct; lateral margin fine; in dorsal aspect, visible throughout its total length except shortly behind anterior angles; setiferous punctation large and coarse; on average, yellow setae twice as long as diameter of punctures; on average, interstices between punctures less than half as wide as diameter of punctures; narrow irregular midline impunctate; without microsculpture; surface moderately shiny.

Elytra: 0.29 mm long, 0.39 mm wide, widest in posterior third; setiferous punctation as large and coarse as on pronotum and with similar setae; without microsculpture; surface moderately shiny. Abdomen with similarly large punctation as on pronotum and elytra; punctation even denser than on elytra.

Protibia enlarged, but relatively slender; outer edge with five fine spines and few setae.

Aedeagus thick; apical lobe in rectangular angle to basal lobe; paramera shorter than apical lobe and with long apical seta; endophallus with several coils in middle, straight apical part, and irregular coils at lateral part.

**Diagnosis:** The species can be easily separated from the two other described species by the distinct emargination in front of the posterior pronotal angles.

*Neorhabdopsis panamae* spec. nov.

(Figs 8A–C, 16D)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Panama, Colon, Parque Nac. Soberania Pipeline Rd. (79°45'W, 9°07'N), collected from soil/leaf litter, 23.05.1995, leg. J. Jolly & C. Chaboo (KNHM).

**Etymology:** The specific name derived from the country where the species was collected.

**Description:** Length: 1.7 mm. Colouration: reddish; legs and antennae yellow.

Head: 0.23 mm long, 0.32 mm wide; without eyes; clypeus semicircular; labrum rectangular; setiferous punctation coarse and dense; punctures large; interstices between punctures one fourth as wide as diameter of punctures; on small parts of vertex and at base of antennae wider; without microsculpture; surface shiny.

Antennae slightly shorter than head and pronotum combined; first antennomere approximately rectangular; second antennomere nearly as thick as first, but oval; third antennomere conical and slightly narrower than second; following antennomeres increasing in width; fourth antennomere nearly quadrate; tenth antennomere nearly twice as wide as long.

Pronotum: 0.30 mm long, 0.37 mm wide; widest in middle; slightly narrowed to anterior angles; more strongly convergent to posterior angles; lateral margin extremely fine; in dorsal aspect, only visible in short part close to posterior angles; posterior angles nearly rectangular; setiferous punctation coarse and dense; more homogeneous than on head; punctures large; interstices between punctures less than half as wide as diameter of punctures; narrow midline impunctate; setae longer than diameter of two punctures; pointing transversely to posterior middle; interstices and punctures with netlike microsculpture; surface shiny.

Elytra: 0.29 mm long, 0.37 mm wide; along suture impressed; setiferous punctation as coarse as on pronotum; punctures as large as on pronotum; interstices between punctures slightly wider than on pronotum; netlike microsculpture as on pronotum; surface shiny.

Abdomen slightly widened from abdominal segment III to VII; setiferous punctation similar as on pronotum; on posterior segments less dense than on anterior segments; microsculpture as on pronotum; surface shiny.

Protibia slightly widened; with few spines on outer edge; tarsae of all legs with five tarsomeres.

Aedeagus with shortly curved apical lobe ending in short acute apex; paramera not longer than apical lobe and with one long seta; spiral endophallus with several torsions.

**Diagnosis:** The species is separated from the other three species of the genus by the longer elytra. In contrast to the

Key to species of the genus *Neorhabdopsis*

1. Pronotum without slight emargination in front of posterior angles ..... 2
  - Pronotum with distinct emargination in front of posterior angles ..... *N. lutzi* spec. nov.
2. Elytra nearly twice as wide as long, smaller, 1.5 mm long ..... *N. pecki* spec. nov.
  - Elytra longer, length: width ratio at least 0.7, larger, 1.7 mm long ..... 3
3. With deep microsculpture, punctation sparser, interstices between punctures half as wide as diameter of punctures ..... *N. brasiliensis* spec. nov.
  - With weak microsculpture, punctation deeper and denser, interstices between punctures less wide than half of diameter of punctures ..... *N. panamae* spec. nov.

other three species, the elytra of *N. panamae* are nearly quadrate. The length: width ratio is 0.8, whereas it is 0.7 or 0.6 in the other three species.

*Tumboecus verhaaghi* spec. nov.

(Figs 9A–C, 15E)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Peru, Huanuco, Panguana (74°56'W, 9°37'S), pitfall trap, male, 3.–18.06.1984, leg. M. Verhaagh (UIC).

Paratypes: female with same data as holotype; Peru, Huanuco, Panguana, rainforest, 1 male, 1 female, 20.05.1984, leg. M. Verhaagh; rainforest, 4 females, Feb. 1975, 06.05.1975, 08.–09.1975, 10.–11.1975 leg. W. Hanagarth; grassland, female, 03.09.1975, leg. W. Hanagarth; cut rainforest planted with manioc, female, 20.03.1975, leg. W. Hanagarth (UIC).

**Etymology:** The specific name is given in honor of the collector of the species to whom the species is heartily dedicated.

**Description:** Length: 1.5 mm. *Colouration:* brown; legs and antennae light brown.

Head: 0.18 mm long, 0.31 mm wide; eyes large, not prominent; longer than temples; sides of forehead strongly convergent; anterior edge of clypeus even; setiferous punctation dense and coarse; neck without punctation; weak microsculpture netlike; surface moderately shiny.

Antennae nearly as long as head and pronotum combined; first antennomere thick; as thick as fourth antennomere; second narrower and oval; third antennomere conical; following antennomeres increasing in width; fourth to ninth wider than long; tenth antennomere approximately quadrate.

Pronotum: 0.31 mm long, 0.36 wide; widest at anterior angles; moderately narrowed to posterior angles in anterior half; more strongly narrowed in posterior half; in front of posterior angles more strongly narrowed; lateral margin fine; in dorsal aspect covered in anterior half; setiferous punctation coarse and large; interstices between punctures irregularly wide; on average, half as wide as diameter of punctures; in lateral posterior half, interstices wider; without microsculpture; surface shiny.

Elytra: 0.39 mm long, 0.38 mm wide; shoulders approximately rectangular; sides subparallel; slightly widened posteriorly; setiferous punctation large and dense; on average, interstices as wide as or slightly shorter than diameter of punctures; with remains of microsculpture; surface shiny.

Abdomen with similar setiferous punctation and similar microsculpture as on fore-body.

Protibia only slightly enlarged; with four spines on outer edge inserting directly on edge; in posterior aspect, comb at inner emargination totally visible; posterior face with several setae; tarsae pentamere.

Aedeagus short and stout; without paramera; apical lobe in rectangular angle to basal lobe; apex moderately acute; endophallus with one torsion.

**Diagnosis:** The two species *T. verhaaghi* and *T. struyvei* are extremely similar regarding the punctation and shape of the pronotum. *T. verhaaghi* is slightly smaller than *T. struyvei* and the endophallus is different. Furthermore, the surface of *T. verhaaghi* is shinier, in particular, the surface of the pronotum.

*Tumboecus struyvei* spec. nov.

(Figs 10A–C, 15F)

**Type material:** Holotype male: French Guyana, Caussade (52°35.29'W, 5°03.57'N), sampled by car-net, 7.11.2011, leg. T. Struyve (UIC).

Paratypes: 1 male, 1 female with same data as holotype (UIC, TSC).

**Etymology:** The specific name was chosen to honour the collector T. Struyve.

**Description:** Length: 2.1 mm. *Colouration:* light brown; head and abdomen slightly darker than pronotum and elytra; legs and antennae yellow.

Head: 0.20 mm long, 0.35 mm wide; eyes large, but not prominent; longer than temples; fore-head semi-circular; setiferous punctation dense and coarse; on average, interstices between punctures half as wide as diameter of punctures; at middle of fore-head interstices slightly wider; netlike microsculpture weak; irregularly dense; surface shiny.

Antennae as long as head and half of pronotum combined; first antennomere thick and oval; second oval and slightly narrower and shorter than second; following antennomeres wider than long; sixth antennomere nearly three times wider than long; seventh antennomere thicker than sixth, but only 1.5 times wider than long.

Pronotum: 0.36 mm long, 0.39 mm wide; widest at anterior angles; evenly narrowed to posterior angles, but in posterior half stronger narrowed than in anterior half; posterior angles obtuse; nearly rectangular; lateral margin fine; visible throughout its total length; setiferous punctation coarse and dense; on average, interstices between punctures half as wide as diameter of punctures; wide midline impunctate; netlike microsculpture weak and irregularly dense; surface slightly less shiny than head.

Elytra: 0.45 mm long, 0.40 mm wide; widest in posterior third, but more or less subparallel; setiferous punctation weaker than on pronotum; netlike microsculpture weak and irregularly dense.

Abdomen with setiferous punctation; punctures as coarse as on fore-body; midline on tergites impunctate.

Protibia slender with few spines on outer edge; inner emargination distinct; in posterior aspect, comb visible throughout its total length; posterior face with long setae.

Aedeagus thick; apical lobe in rectangular angle to basal lobe; apical lobe obtuse at apex; without paramera; endophallus slightly curved and divided into two branches.

**Diagnosis:** The differences are already given in the description of *T. verhaaghi*.

*Oryssoma politum* spec. nov.

(Figs 4A–D, 15C)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Ecuador, Napo Prov., Jatun Sacha Biol. Stat., 21 km E. Puerto Napo (77°37.42'W, 1°03.57'S), 400 m elevation, lowland rain forest, collected by flight intercept trap, 21.07.1994, leg. F. Génier (KNHM).

Paratypes: Ecuador, Napo Prov., 1 female with same data as holotype (KNHM); Sacha Lodge (76°27.32'W, 0°28.15'S), 250 m elevation, collected by flight intercept trap, female, 26.–28.10.2004, leg. G. de Rougemont (UIC).

**Etymology:** The specific name derived from the same Latin name meaning polished and refers to the polished surface.

**Description:** Length: 3.0 mm. Colouration: Black, pronotum slightly lighter, dark brown, legs and antennae light brown; labrum and small area at base of antennae light reddish; abdomen reddish.

Head: 0.36 mm long, 0.52 mm wide; eyes distinctly prominent; semi-circular, temples half as long as eyes; sides in front of eyes shortly parallel; then abruptly narrowed in sinuate curve to anterior angles of clypeus; anterior edge of clypeus produced in semi-circular curve; labrum semi-circular, too; punctation weak and sparse; one setiferous puncture in front of eyes and another setiferous punctures on vertex close to eyes; supraocular puncture distinctly impressed; without microsculpture; surface polished and shiny.

Antennae as long as head and half of pronotum combined; second antennomere elongate, oval; as long as two following antennomeres; following antennomeres increasing in width; third and fourth antennomeres narrower than second antennomere and approximately quadrate; fifth and sixth antennomeres distinctly wider than long; sixth antennomere twice as wide as long; following antennomeres distinctly thicker than preceding antennomeres and approximately 1.5 times wider than long.

Pronotum: 0.45 mm long, 0.53 mm wide; widest shortly behind anterior angles; slightly narrowed to posterior angles; shortly in front of posterior angles emarginate; lateral margin fine; in dorsal aspect, visible in its total length; continued to posterior edge; punctation sparse and irregular in size; with moderately fine punctures and micro-punctures; along lateral margin and anterior edge with several setiferous punctures; pair of setiferous punctures on posterior disc close to posterior margin; without microsculpture; surface polished and shiny.

Elytra: 0.65 mm long, 0.58 mm wide; sides parallel; shoulders distinct, but rounded; punctation weak and sparse; punctation nearly invisible in deep coriaceous ground-sculpture; row of four setiferous punctures along lateral margin; further setiferous punctures along posterior edge and on disc; surface shiny.

Abdomen finely and sparsely punctate; each segment with transverse row of setiferous punctures; segments seven and eight with two rows of setiferous punctures; without micro-sculpture; surface polished and shiny.

Protibia: 0.39 mm long, 0.10 mm wide; eight spines on outer edge; apical spines inserted on short digits; on posterior face with second row of four spines and with several long yellow setae; three tarsomeres; first elongate; nearly twice as long as second; inner emargination with comb visible in its total length.

Aedeagus with long basal lobe and much shorter apical lobe; apical lobe forming short hook ending in acute apex; paramera short, but slightly longer than apex of apical lobe; endophallus creased and spiralled.

**Diagnosis:** Among the three species of *Oryssoma*, *O. politum* can be easily identified by the thick prominent eyes. In *O. exalatus* and *O. schwarzi* the eyes are not prominent and smaller. The penultimate antennomeres are wider in *O. politum* than in the two other species. The pronotum of *O. politum* is slightly emarginate in front of the posterior angles and with impressions, whereas it is without emargination and impressions in *O. exalatus* and *O. schwarzi*.

*Oryssoma exalatum* (BLACKWELDER, 1943) new comb.

(Figs 3A–C, 15D)

*Osorius exalatus* BLACKWELDER, 1943: 200

**Type material examined:** Holotype male: Trinidad, Cave in Aripo Valley, 600 m elevation, 18.04.1935, leg. N.A. Weber (MCZ).

**Description:** Length: 2.3 mm. Colouration: light brown, legs and antennae yellow.

Head: 0.42 mm long, 0.50 mm wide; eyes not prominent, temples nearly twice as long as eyes; in front of eyes, fore-head slightly narrowed to base of antennae, then emarginate and strongly narrowed; clypeus produced in semi-circular curve; labrum semi-circular, too; punctation moderately deep and dense; on average, interstices between punctures twice as wide as diameter of punctures; on posterior vertex slightly denser than on fore-head; netlike microsculpture weak; surface shiny.

Antennae slightly longer than head; second antennomere thick and elongate, twice as long as wide and nearly two times longer than conical third antennomere; following antennomeres increasing in width; third and fourth antennomeres narrowed than second; fifth approximately

as thick as second; fourth to tenth antennomere approximately quadrate, only fifth slightly wider than long.

Pronotum: 0.46 mm long, 0.56 mm wide; widest at anterior angles; narrowed posteriad in smooth and even curve; without forming posterior angles; lateral margin fine; in dorsal aspect visible in total length; posterior edge margined; punctation irregular in size; moderately dense; on average, interstices between punctures at least as wide as diameter of punctures; netlike microsculpture weak; surface shiny.

Elytra: 0.43 mm long, 0.54 mm wide; widest close to posterior angles; evenly narrowed to shoulders; shoulders obtuse; three setiferous puncture close to lateral margin; one setiferous puncture on anterior disc on each side of suture; punctation indistinct; with coriaceous ground-sculpture; surface shiny.

Abdomen with dense transverse netlike microsculpture and moderately deep and dense punctation; each segment with transverse row of setiferous punctures.

Protibia slender; with seven spines on outer edge; apex with two very long spines; posterior face with six spines and several setae; first tarsomere with two long and thick setae at apex.

Aedeagus slender; basal lobe thick and long; apical lobe shorter and curved like short hook ending in acute apex; paramera not longer than apex of apical lobe.

**Diagnosis:** The species is only known from the single type male found in a cave in Trinidad. Concerning the trimere tarsae, the shape of the labrum and the structure of the aedeagus the species has to be placed to the genus *Oryssoma* together with *O. schwarzi* and *O. politum*. It can be easily differentiated from these two species by the short elytra and the nearly semi-circular shape of the pronotum. It is not clear, if the light brown colouration can be referred to the life in a cave or the immature status of the specimen.

fore, a thorough comparison between the two species was impossible. I found no further difference between the species as did BLACKWELDER (1943). Thus, it is likely that *O. microptera* is the female of *O. exalatum*. But synonymisation has to wait until more material of the two species is available.

*Osoriosetus hanagarthi* spec. nov.

(Figs 11A–C, 17A)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Peru, Huanuco, Panguana (74°56'W, 9°37'S), Cocha, May 1975, leg. W. Hanagarth (UIC).

Paratypes: Panguana (74°56'W, 9°37'S), river margin, female, 05.01.1976, leg. W. Hanagarth (UIC).

**Etymology:** The species is named in honour of my dear colleague Dr. Werner Hanagarth, who unfortunately passed away too early. Among the extensive material collected by him in Panguana, this interesting species was found, which could not be integrated in one of the described genera.

**Description:** Length, 5.3 mm; colouration, black; legs and antennae light brown.

Head: 0.67 mm long, 0.90 mm wide; eyes small, but prominent; temples nearly three times longer than eyes; sides of fore-head narrowed to anterior angles in short concave curve; anterior edge of clypeus even; slightly convex; setiferous punctation coarse and dense; on average, interstices between punctures less than half of diameter of punctures; setae short; not much longer than one interstice between punctures; small area at antennae and large transverse area on neck impunctate; on punctate areas with isodiametric deep microsculpture; surface matt; impunctate areas shiny.

Key to species of the genus *Oryssoma*

1. Eyes thick and prominent; semicircular ..... *O. politum* spec. nov.
- Eyes not prominent ..... 2
2. Posterior angles of pronotum widely rounded; elytra wider than long ..... 3
- Posterior angles of pronotum nearly rectangular; elytra longer than wide ..... *O. schwarzi* NOTMAN, 1925
3. Front of clypeus angulate ..... *O. exalatum* (BLACKWELDER, 1943)
- Front of clypeus rounded ..... *O. microptera* (BLACKWELDER, 1943)

*Oryssoma microptera* (BLACKWELDER, 1943)

*Osorius micropterus* BLACKWELDER, 1943

Blackwelder's type was studied. Unfortunately, it is a female. Furthermore, Blackwelder separated *O. exalatum* from *O. microptera* only by the shape of the clypeus. The type specimen of *O. microptera* has lost the head. There-

Antennae slightly longer than head; second antennomere elongate; 1.5 times as long as wide; conical third antennomere distinctly shorter than second; following antennomeres increasing in width; fourth antennomere slightly longer than wide; tenth antennomere quadrate.

Pronotum: 1.02 mm long, 1.02 mm wide; widest close to anterior angles; anterior angles obtusely rounded; very slightly narrowed posteriad; in posterior half with indis-

tinct concave emargination; shortly in front of posterior angles with deep concave emargination; lateral margin fine; in dorsal aspect, visible throughout its total length; margin continued to posterior edge; setiferous punctation deep and dense; along midline much denser than laterad; partly forming short furrows; on lateral disc, interstices between punctures as wide as diameter of punctures; within impunctate midline with deep elongate impression; between coarse punctation with dense micro-punctation; without microsculpture; surface polished and shiny.

Elytra: 1.05 mm long, 1.10 mm wide; widest in posterior third; shoulders rectangular, but rounded; setiferous punctation deep and moderately dense; in indistinct rows; on average, interstices between punctures twice as long as diameter of punctures; coriaceous microsculpture weak; surface moderately shiny.

Abdomen with regular punctation; setiferous punctation dense and deep; interstices between punctures approximately half as wide as diameter of punctures; setae slightly longer than interstices between punctures; deep netlike microsculpture; surface matt.

Protibia: 0.62 mm long, 0.25 mm wide; shape semicircular; outer edge with 13 spines in approximately equal distances from each other; not inserted on digits; posterior face densely covered by yellow setae; in posterior aspect, inner emargination with comb totally covered.

Aedeagus without endophallus; thick; apical lobe placed in obtuse angle to basal lobe; apical third also angled and narrowed to obtuse apex.

**Diagnosis:** At present only this species is known from the genus that is characterised by the unique structure of the protibia. It mostly resembles some species of *Osoriellus*, but the total coverage of the inner emargination is never found in *Osoriellus*.

*Neosorius brasiliensis* spec. nov.

(Figs 12A–C, 16E)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Brazil, Minas Gerais, Governador Valadares (41°56'W, 18°51'S), leaf litter, 26.3.1981, leg. L. Sorkin (AMNH).

Paratype: Brazil, Rio de Janeiro, Ipanema, collected by light fixture, female, 13.9.1982, leg. L. Sorkin (UIC).

**Etymology:** The specific name is derived from the country, where the species was found.

**Description:** Length: 4.4 mm. Colouration: Black; legs reddish brown, antennae slightly lighter reddish brown. Head: 0.67 mm long, 0.92 mm wide; eyes prominent; as long as temples; sides of fore-head narrowed to anterior angles of clypeus in slight concave curve; anterior edge of clypeus even; surface of clypeus finely, but distinctly striate; vertex with coarse longitudinal striae ending on line with posterior edge of eyes; neck without striae;

only with fine transverse micro-reticulation; within striae sparse setiferous punctation; setae as long or slightly longer than interstices between punctures; small area at base of antennae without punctures and striae; surface matt.

Antennae slightly shorter than head and half of pronotum combined; second antennomere oval; nearly twice as long as wide; third antennomere conical and slightly shorter than second; following antennomere increasing in width, but all approximately quadrate or slightly wider than long.

Pronotum: 0.85 mm long, 1.00 mm wide; widest shortly behind anterior angles; anterior angles obtuse; sides narrowed to posterior angles in smooth convex curve; posterior angles obtuse and smoothly rounded; lateral margin fine; in dorsal aspect covered close to anterior angles; continued to posterior margin; setiferous punctation moderately dense and deep; on average, interstices between punctures as wide as diameter of punctures; between normal punctation with fine micro-punctation; without microsculpture; surface shiny.

Elytra: 1.07 mm long, 1.04 mm wide; widest in posterior third; shoulders rectangular, but rounded; setiferous punctation as dense and deep as on pronotum; coriaceous ground-sculpture weak; surface shiny.

Abdomen with moderately dense setiferous punctation; punctures finer than on elytra and pronotum; narrow midline impunctate; netlike microsculpture weak; surface less shiny than on pronotum.

Protibia: 0.53 mm long, 0.13 mm wide; with seven spines on outer edge; apical spines on long digits; WLR: 0.56; between spine two and three at apex with wider interstice than between other spines; posterior face with row of five spines; apical spines inserting on short digits; between spines with sparse setation; in posterior aspect, inner emargination with comb totally visible.

Aedeagus with thick apical lobe; suddenly narrowed to obtuse apex; endophallus spiralled with three torsions.

**Diagnosis:** The species is characterised by the longitudinal striae of the head and the smoothly curved sides of the pronotum. Additionally, it is distinctly smaller than *N. mexicanus*. According to the descriptions of FÄGEL (1959) it resembles species of the African *Neosorius* of the arebianus-group.

*Neosorius mexicanus* spec. nov.

(Figs 13A–C, 16F)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Mexico, without further data, leg. Skwara (NMPC).

Paratypes: two females with same data as holotype (NMPC, UIC).

**Etymology:** The specific name derived from the name of the country, where the species was found.

**Description:** Length: 6.0 mm. Colouration: Black; legs and antennae brown.

Head: 1.03 mm long, 1.16 mm wide; eyes slightly prominent; temples approximately 1.5 times longer than eyes; fore-head narrowed to anterior angles of clypeus in long slight concave curve; anterior edge of clypeus deeply emarginate; thus, clypeal angles produced to broad triangles; clypeus with large elongate coriaceous punctures; on vertex similarly coarse elongate punctuation separated by narrow impunctate midline; large area at base of antennae impunctate; continued to middle and separating clypeal punctuation from vertex punctuation; punctures of clypeus and vertex with setae; impunctate areas without microsculpture; overall surface matt, but impunctate areas shiny.

Antennae slightly longer than head; second antennomere elongate; slightly longer than wide; third antennomere conical and as long as second; following antennomeres increasing in width, but all approximately quadrate or slightly wider than long.

Pronotum: 1.08 mm long, 1.29 mm wide; widest in anterior third; smoothly narrowed to obtuse anterior angles; more distinctly narrowed to posterior angles; in front of posterior angles sinuate; posterior angles rectangular; lateral margin narrow; in dorsal aspect, lateral margin covered close to anterior angles; thicker close to posterior angles and continued to posterior edge; setiferous punctuation deep and moderately dense; close to impunctate midline denser than laterad; on average, close to midline interstices between punctures half as wide as diameter of punctures; laterally, interstices between punctures as wide as diameter of punctures; between normal punctuation with fine micro-punctures; without microsculpture; surface shiny.

Elytra: 1.28 mm long, 1.26 mm wide; widest in posterior third; shoulders rectangular, but rounded; setiferous punctuation dense and deep; on average; interstices between punctures slightly shorter than diameter of punctures; coriaceous ground-sculpture weak; surface moderately shiny.

Abdomen with dense and fine setiferous punctuation; punctures distinctly finer than on elytra; setae as long as two interstices between punctures; netlike microsculpture weak; surface moderately shiny.

Protibia: 0.74 mm long, 0.17 mm wide; with nine spines on outer edge; apical spines on moderately short digits; WLR: 0.65; on posterior face with row of five spines inserting on short digits; between spines sparsely covered by long yellow setae; in posterior aspect, inner emargination with comb totally visible.

Aedeagus with long apical lobe; broad at base; then suddenly narrowed to long small apex; apex slightly sinuate; at base of lateral apical lobe with numerous sensillae; endophallus smoothly spiralled; with only two torsions.

**Diagnosis:** The species can be easily identified by the deep emargination of the clypeus and the posteriad sinuate sides of the pronotum.

*Paratorchus* McCOLL, 1985

*Paratorchus brasiliensis* (BERNHAEUER & SCHUBERT, 1910) comb. nov.

(Figs 18B, 19H)

*Holotrochus brasiliensis* BERNHAUER & SCHUBERT, 1910: 142

*Holotrochus brevipennis* BERNHAUER, 1905: 15

**Distribution:** Brazil, São Paulo, Santos, leg. Müller (FMNH); São Paulo, 26.02.1969 leg. J.M. Campbell (CBI).

*Paratorchus bolivianus* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov.

(Figs 19A, I)

*Holotrochus bolivianus* IRMLER, 2005: 9

**Distribution:** Bolivia, Cochabamba, 82 km E. Yungas, Rio Vineto, 03.02.1998, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); 82 km E. Yungas, Villa Tunari, 06.02.1998, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM); Lagunitas, 117 km E. Yungas, 01.02.1998, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM); La Paz, Chulumani, Apa Apa, 17.01.2001, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); 9.4 km E. Apa Apa, 19.01.2001, 21.01.2001, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); 6 km W. El Paraiso, 20.01.2001, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM); Buena Vista, Hotel Flora y Fauna, 09.11.2002, leg. R. Leschen (KNHM); Zongo valley, 30.01.2001, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM).

*Paratorchus breviatus* (IRMLER, 2007) comb. nov.

(Figs 19B, K)

*Holotrochus breviatus* IRMLER, 2007: 136

*Holotrochus curtipennis* IRMLER, 2005: 12

**Distribution:** Ecuador, Azuay, Cuenca, Acuay, 07.01.1992, leg. J.S. Ashe (KNHM, UIC); Marzan Forest, 16.04.1990, leg. C.E. Carlton (KNHM).

*Paratorchus panamae* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov.

(Figs 18E, 19E)

*Holotrochus panamae* IRMLER, 2005: 16

**Distribution:** Mexico, Chiapas, Montepio, Angel Albino Corzo, 21.11.2001, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); Costa Rica, Heredia, La Virgen, 1.2 km E., 28.03.1991, leg. L. Herman (AMNH) San José, 18 km N. San Isidro de el General, 15.02.1998, 20.06.1997, 25.06.1997, leg.

R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); 23 km N. San Isidro de el General, 20.06.1997, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM); San Gerardo de Dota, Cordillera de Talamanca, 13.01.2005, leg. M. Schülke (MSC); Puntarenas, Los Cruces, Biol. Stat. 19.06.1998, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM); 11 km SW. Biol. Stat. Las Cruces, 09.07.1999, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM); San Vito, 2 km N. Alturas, Biol. Stat. 21.06.1998, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM); 35 km NE. Las Alturas, 19.03.1991, leg. L. Herman (AMNH); Alajuela, San Ramón, 27 km N. 8 km W., 29.04.1999, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); Panama, Chiriqui, Boquete, 6 km NE., 14.06.1996, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); La Fortuna, Continental Divide Trail, 09.06.1995, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM).

*Paratorchus columbiensis* (IRMLER, 1987) comb. nov.  
(Figs 18D, 19G)

*Holotrochus columbiensis* IRMLER, 1987: 102

**Distribution:** Columbia, Valle del Cauca, Valle Soladito, 20.07.1970, leg. J.M. Campbell (CBI); Venezuela, Aragua, Maracay, Rancho Grande, Biol. Stat. 12.05.1998, 13.05.1998, 14.05.1998, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); 28.02.1995, leg. R.W. Brooks (KNHM, UIC); 22.03.1992, 15.04.1994, leg. L. Herman (AMNH); Parq. Nat. H. Pittier, 20.04.2005, leg. C. Csuzdi (NHB); Mérida, Portachuelo, Parque Pittier, 15.02.1987, leg. M.G. Paoletti (AMNH).

*Paratorchus chilensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov.  
(Figs 18C, 19D)

*Holotrochus chilensis* IRMLER, 2005: 10

**Distribution:** Chile, Aysen, San Juan de Chadmo, 18.02.1997, 20.02.1997, leg. T. Cekalovic (KNHM, UIC); Los Lagos, Llanquihue, 20.02.1983, 23.02.1997, leg. T. Cekalovic (KNHM, UIC); Isla Chiloe, Coinco, 14.02.1983, leg. T. Cekalovic (KNHM); Lago Huillinco, 31.01.1983, leg. T. Cekalovic (AMNH); Vilupulli, 7.02.1981, 18.02.1983, leg. T. Cekalovic (AMNH); Ancud, 27.01.1983, 10.02.1981, leg. T. Cekalovic (AMNH, UIC); Chiloe, 10.02.1981, 27.01.1983, leg. T. Cekalovic (AMNH,

UIC); Osorno, 48 km W., 28.11.1994, leg. R. Leschen (KNHM, UIC); 58.5 km W., 12.11.1994, leg. R. Leschen (KNHM); 14.5 km W., 12.01.1994, leg. R. Leschen (KNHM); Conchi, 26.11.1994, leg. R. Leschen (KNHM); Quetro, Isla Quinchao, 19.02.1997, leg. T. Cekalovic (AMNH); Chepu, 21.02.1997, leg. T. Cekalovic (KNHM, UIC); Chepu, 02.10.1958, 09.10.1958, 10.10.1958, 14.10.1958, leg. F. Kuschel (BMNH); Puente, 28.02.1997, leg. T. Cekalovic (KNHM); Puente La Caldera, 18.02.1997, leg. T. Cekalovic (KNHM); Maiocolpue, Valdivia forest, 21.12.1982, leg. A. Newton (FMNH); 26.01.1986, leg. R.T. Schuh (AMNH, UIC).

*Paratorchus chiriquensis* (IRMLER, 2005) comb. nov.  
(Figs 18F, 19F)

*Holotrochus chiriquensis* IRMLER, 2005: 11

**Distribution:** Costa Rica, Puntarenas, Las Alturas, San Vito Biol. Stat., 21.06.1998, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); Los Cruces, 4 km S. Biol. Stat., 18.06.1998, 22.06.1998, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM, UIC); 35 km NE. Las Alturas, 19.03.1991, leg. L. Herman (AMNH).

*Paratorchus tilli* spec. nov.  
(Figs 14A–C, 18A, 19C)

**Type material:** Holotype male: Mexico, Veracruz, 1 mi S Huatusco, 1344 m elevation, collected by Berlese, 02.08.1969, leg. S. & J. Peck (AMNH).  
Paratypes: Two females with same data as holotype (AMNH, UIC).

**Etymology:** The specific name of this small species derived from the name of my little grand son Till.

**Description:** Length: 2.8 mm. Colouration: light reddish brown; legs and antennae lighter brown.  
Head: 0.35 mm long, 0.49 mm wide; without eyes; fore-head approximately semicircular; anterior edge of clypeus even; punctation moderately dense and deep; on average, interstices between punctures at least as wide as diameter of punctures; on disc two times as wide as

#### Key to the species of *Paratorchus*

1. Blind, abdomen not pubescent ..... *P. tilli* spec. nov.
- At least with few omatidia ..... 2
2. Abdomen pubescent ..... 3
- Abdomen not pubescent ..... 6
3. Sides of pronotum evenly narrowed from middle to posterior angles, posterior angles obtuse .....  
..... *P. brasiliensis* (BERNHAEUER & SCHUBERT, 1910)
- Sides of pronotum nearly parallel in posterior half ..... 4

4. Large species of at least 3.0 mm length, sides of pronotum parallel, not sinuate in front of posterior angles ..... 5
  - Small species of 2.5 least, sides of pronotum at least slightly sinuate in front of posterior angles ..... *P. panamae* (IRMLER, 2005)
5. Sides of pronotum evenly rounded, pronotal punctation deeper and denser, interstices between punctures as wide as diameter of punctures ..... *P. bolivianus* (IRMLER, 2005)
  - Sides of pronotum slightly sinuate in middle, pronotal punctation finer and sparser, interstices between punctures much wider than diameter of punctures ..... *P. columbiensis* (IRMLER, 1987)
6. Large species of at least 4.0 mm length ..... *P. breviatus* (IRMLER, 2007)
  - Smaller species of 2.5 to 2.8 mm length ..... 7
7. Pronotum deeply and densely punctate, surface polished without microsculpture, shiny ..... *P. chiriquensis* (IRMLER, 2005)
  - Pronotum finely and sparsely punctate, surface with netlike microsculpture, matt ..... *P. chilensis* (IRMLER, 2005)

diameter; laterally with few setae; setae extremely short; without microsculpture; between normal punctures with sparse micro-punctuation; temples with deep netlike microsculpture.

Antennae as long as head and half of pronotum combined; first antennomere thick; thicker than second oval and conical third antennomere; second and third antennomere equal in length and longer than following antennomeres; antennomeres four to eleven increasing in width; fourth longer than wide; tenth nearly twice as wide as long; surface polished and shiny.

Pronotum: 0.51 mm long, 0.64 mm wide; widest in anterior third; slightly narrowed to anterior angles in convex curve; in posterior two third evenly narrowed to posterior angles; nearly parallel; posterior angles rectangular; lateral margin distinct; in dorsal aspect visible throughout its total length; at posterior angles with indistinct impression; punctation deeper and denser than on head; on average, interstices between punctures as wide as diameter of punctures; between coarse punctures with sparse micro-punctuation; with irregular microsculpture; surface less shiny than on head.

Elytra: 0.37 mm long, 0.67 mm wide; sides slightly widened to posterior angles; shoulders rectangular; posterior edge slightly emarginate; punctation still deeper and coarser than on pronotum; partly coriaceous; with coriaceous ground-sculpture; surface less shiny than on pronotum.

Abdomen densely and deeply punctate; similar as on pronotum; dorsally punctures without setae; laterally and ventrally with short yellow setae; surface without microsculpture; polished and shiny.

Aedeagus elongate; apical lobe smoothly rounded ending in acute apex; paramera long and sinuate; longer than apical lobe; endophallus with long and straight basal part and short spiral part at apex.

**Diagnosis:** The species can be easily identified by the absence of eyes. All other species in the genus have at least few omatidia. The overall habitus resembles that of *P. panamae*, but *P. panamae* has at least 5 omatidia and the pronotum is more densely punctate.

*Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955

*Holotrochopsis adisi* (IRMLER, 2013) comb. nov.

*Holotrochus adisi* IRMLER, 2013: 160

**Distribution:** Brazil, Amazonas, Manaus, Ilha March-anteria, 02.05.1981, 14.09.1981, 02.12.1981, Dec. 1981, 16.02.1982, 18.02.1982, leg. J. Adis (INPA, UIC).

*Holotrochopsis amazonicus* (IRMLER, 1981) comb. nov.

*Holotrochus amazonicus* IRMLER, 1981: 395

**Distribution:** Brazil, Amazonas, Manaus, 01.09.1971, 24.09.1971, leg. U. Irmeler (INPA, UIC).

*Holotrochopsis danoffburgi* (IRMLER, 2001) comb. nov.

*Holotrochus danoffburgi* IRMLER, 2001: 356

**Distribution:** Peru, Loreto, Iquitos, 05.05.1992, leg. Danoff-Burg (KNHM); Bolivia, Cochabamba, Valle del Sajita, Estac. Biol., 07.02.1999, leg. R. Anderson (KNHM).

*Holotrochopsis pubescens* (SHARP, 1876) comb. nov.

*Holotrochus pubescens* SHARP, 1876:

**Distribution:** Brazil, Amazonas, Manaus, Lago Janauarí, 17.01.1972, leg. U. Irmeler (UIC); Pará, Tapajos (BMNH); Jacaréacanga, leg. R. Barbosa (AMNH); Tocantins, Nossa Senhora de Livramento, Pirizal, 15.02.2001, leg. L. Bafftirola (UFMT); Mato Grosso, Poconé, 23.02.2000, leg. N. Pinho (UMFT); 40 km S. Poconé, 15.03.2013, leg. U. Irmeler (UIC); Peru, Loreto, Iquitos, 06.05.1992, leg. Danoff-Burg (KNHM); Huánuco, Pucallpa, Panguana,

Key to the species of *Holotrochopsis*

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1. Small species, not longer than 2.5 mm. .... 2
  - Larger species, at least 3.0 mm. .... 3
2. Punctuation of fore-body sparse and fine, interstices between punctures wider than diameter of punctures ..... *H. subtilis* (SHARP, 1876)
  - Punctuation of fore-body coarse and dense, interstices between punctures much smaller than diameter of punctures. .... *H. danoffburgi* (IRMLER, 2001)
3. Pronotum widest close to the posterior angles (Fig. 17C); evenly narrowed to smoothly rounded anterior angles, antennomeres 6 and 7 more or less quadrate (Fig. 5B) ..... *H. siolii* (IRMLER, 2000)
  - Pronotum widest close to the middle; sides evenly narrowed to obtuse or rectangular posterior and obtuse anterior angles, antennomeres 6 and 7 either quadrate or wider than long ..... 4
4. Antennomeres 6 and 7 wider than long (Fig. 4B), pronotum evenly narrowed to posterior angles, posterior angles obtuse (Fig. 17A) ..... *H. pubescens* (SHARP, 1876)
  - Antennomeres 6 and 7 quadrate, pronotum with short emargination in front of posterior angles, posterior angles rectangular ..... 5
5. Smaller species, 3.3 mm long, elytra quadrate (Fig. 17D) ..... *H. adisi* (IRMLER, 2013)
  - Larger species, 3.7 mm long, elytra 1.2 times wider than long (Fig. 17B) ..... *H. amazonicus* (IRMLER, 1981)

01.11.1976, leg. W. Hanagarth (UIC); Guyana, Annai,  
08.06.2001, leg. R. Brooks (KNHM).

*Holotrochopsis setifera* (IRMLER, 2010a) comb. nov.

*Holotrochus setifera* IRMLER, 2010: 52

**Distribution:** Bolivia, Beni, Island Flores, Rio Itenez, 07.08.1964, leg. J.K. Bouseman (AMNH, UIC); Peru, Huánuco, Panguana, Rio Lullapichis, 01.12.2008, leg. F. Wachtel; 23.10.2008, leg. G. Diesel (UIC, VAC).

*Holotrochopsis siolii* (IRMLER, 2001) comb. nov.

*Holotrochus siolii* IRMLER, 2001: 356

**Distribution:** Brazil, Pará, Rio Xingu, Aluau, (INPA, UIC).

*Holotrochopsis subtilis* (SHARP, 1876) comb. nov.

*Holotrochus subtilis* SHARP, 1876: 391

**Distribution:** Brazil, Amazonas, Tefé (BMNH); Manaus, Rio Tarumã Mirim, 01.09.1971, Lago Janauari, 01.02.1972, leg. U. Irmeler (UIC); INPA/Smithsonian Res., Terra Firms forest, March 1994, leg. R. Didham (BMNH); Pará, Rio Xingu, Aluau (UIC); Jaceréacanga, Jan. 1970, leg. R. Barbosa (AMNH, UIC).

## Discussion

The tribe Osoriini has a world-wide distribution. According to HERMAN (2001) 67 genera were differentiated. Together with the two new genera and *Antillosorius* IRMLER, 2010b a total of 70 genera are known. The Ethiopian region contributes with 26 genera to the total and seems to be the richest fauna regarding genera. Moreover, 16 genera (61 %) are known only from the Ethiopian region. However, the new placement of Neotropical species to the genera *Holotrochopsis* FAGEL, 1955 and *Tumboecus* FAGEL, 1959 shows that some genera might be more widely distributed. Only few genera are known from the Australian (6) and Oceanic (1) regions. With 19 genera, the Neotropical fauna accounts for slightly less genera than the Ethiopian fauna. Among the Neotropical fauna 9 genera (47 %) are restricted to the Neotropics. The endemism rate of genera might be similarly high as in the Ethiopian region, because the genus *Osorius* seems to be also restricted to the Neotropics. Furthermore, *Mimogonia* seems to be also restricted to the Neotropics, because the only record from the Palearctic region refers to a female that might be imported to Portugal and not from an autochthonous population in southern Europe. Nevertheless, the Neotropical fauna seems to be mostly related to the Ethiopian fauna, because five genera have been recorded from both regions. A sixth genus can be added, because *Neosorius* is now recorded from the Neotropics, the Ethiopian region and Madagascar. The new placement of several species to the genus *Paratorchus* that were formerly described under the genus *Holotrochus* shows also a relation to the Australian

region. Two of the Neotropical genera are pantropically distributed, i.e. *Holotrochus* ERICHSON, 1839 and *Mimogonus* FAUVEL, 1903.

The majority of the Osoriinae species are found in dead and decomposing wood or with leaf litter such as the species of *Osorius*, *Osoriellus*, *Holotrochus* and all have well developed eyes. Many of them might live in the canopy of the rain forest, presumably in differently thick dead branches or twigs. However a large number of genera have soil dwelling species, which can be derived from the reduced or even absent eyes. In the Neotropical region, reduced or absent eyes occur in the genera *Paratorchus*, *Mimotrochus*, *Neorhabdopsis*, *Tavakilianidia*, and *Ouloglène*. Thus, approximately 26 % of the genera can be counted to the euedaphic soil fauna.

Several genera might be older than 30–35 mill. years without changing their outer characters. IRMLER (2003) found a species in the Dominican amber that certainly belongs to the genus *Oryssoma* and might be closely related to *Oryssoma politum*. Moreover, other species from the Dominican amber resemble *Osoriellus*.

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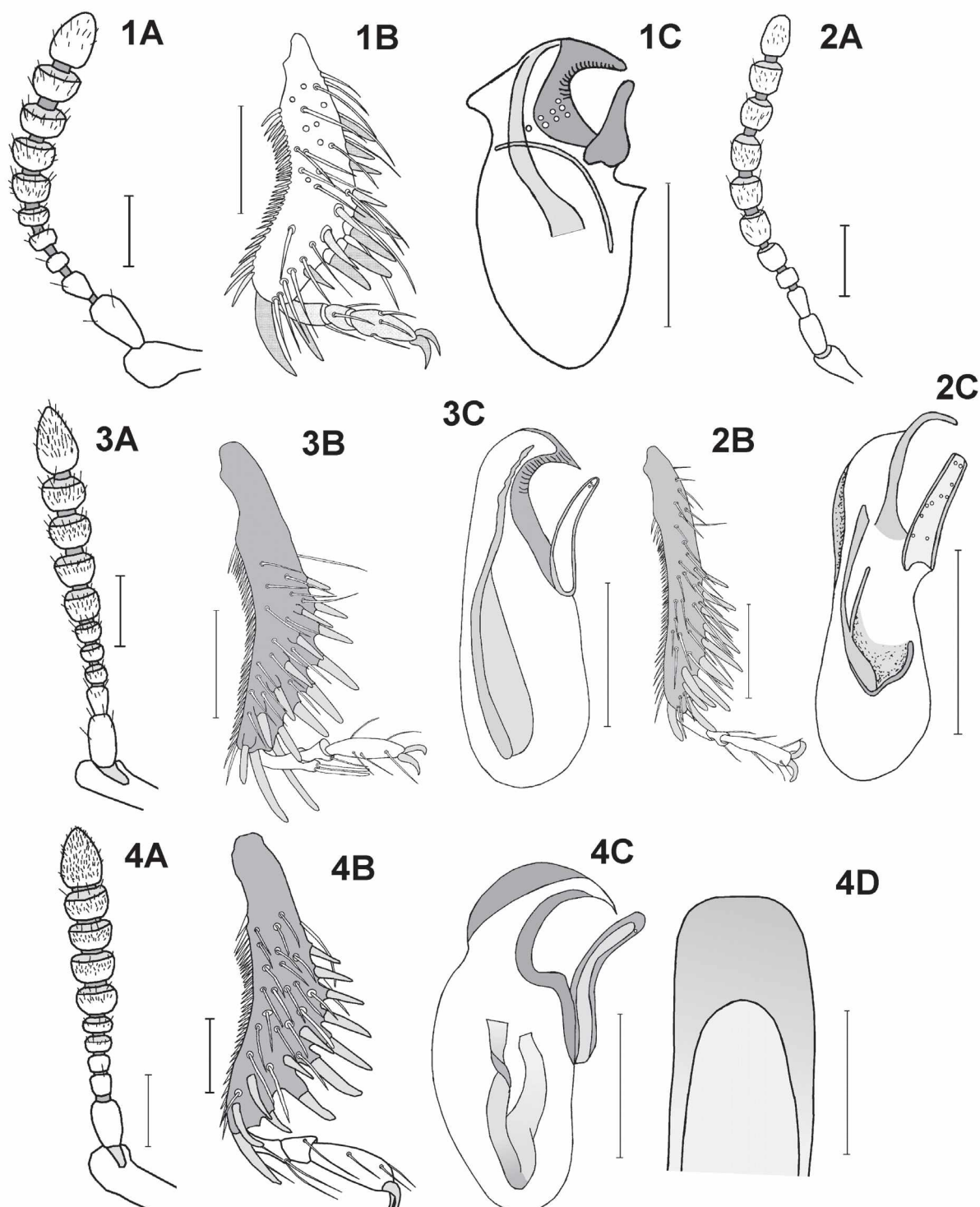


Fig. 1–4: *Ouloglène barberi* (1), *Oryssoma schwarzi* (2), *O. exalatum* (3), *O. politum* (4); antenna (A), protibia in posterior aspect (B), aedeagus (C), last sternite (D); scale bar: 0.1 mm.

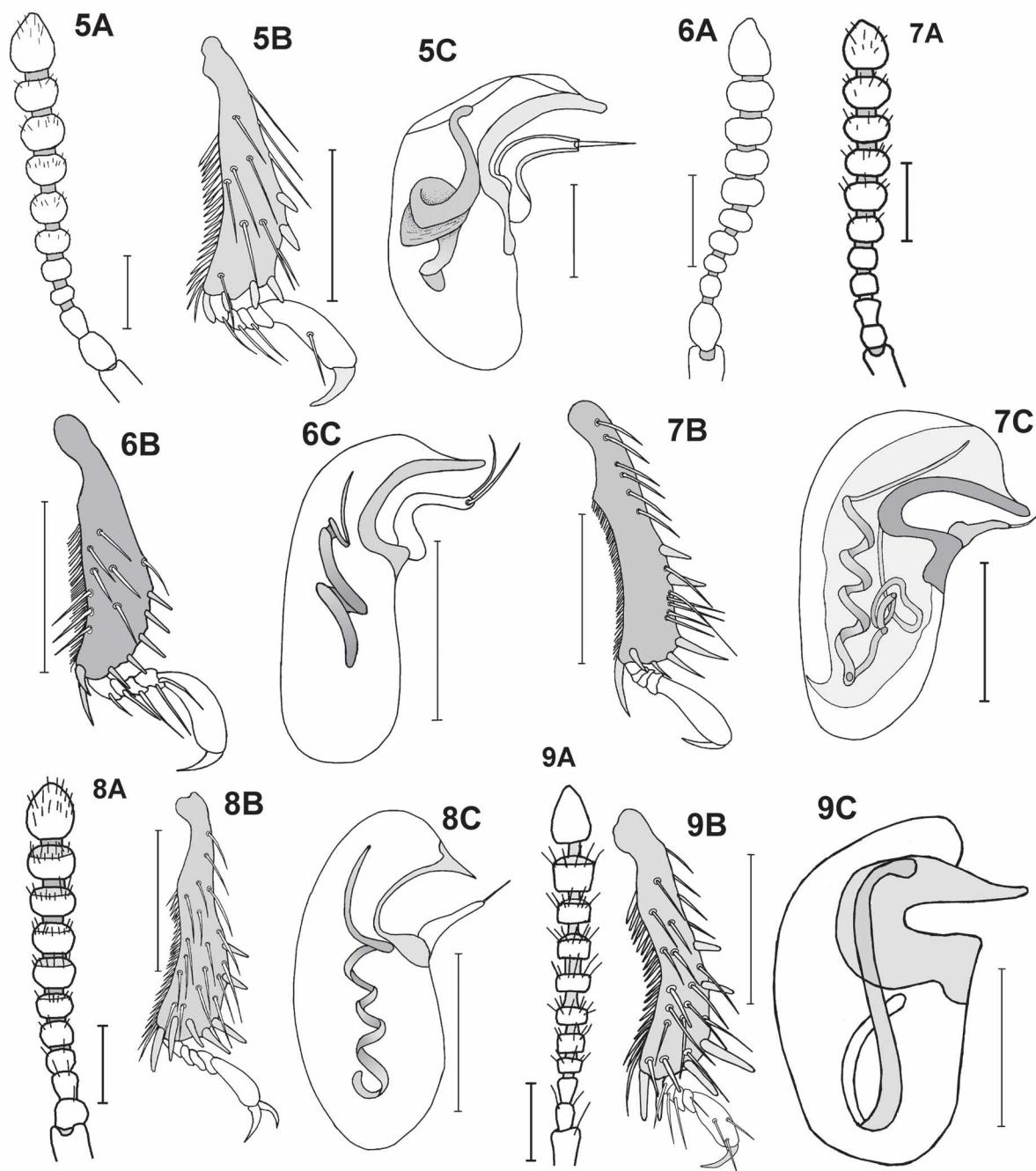


Fig. 5–9: *Neorhaphdopsis brasiliensis* (5), *N. pecki* (6), *N. lutzi* (7), *N. panamae* (8), *Tumboecus verhaaghi* (9), antenna (A), protibia in posterior aspect (B), aedeagus (C); scale bar: 0.1 mm.

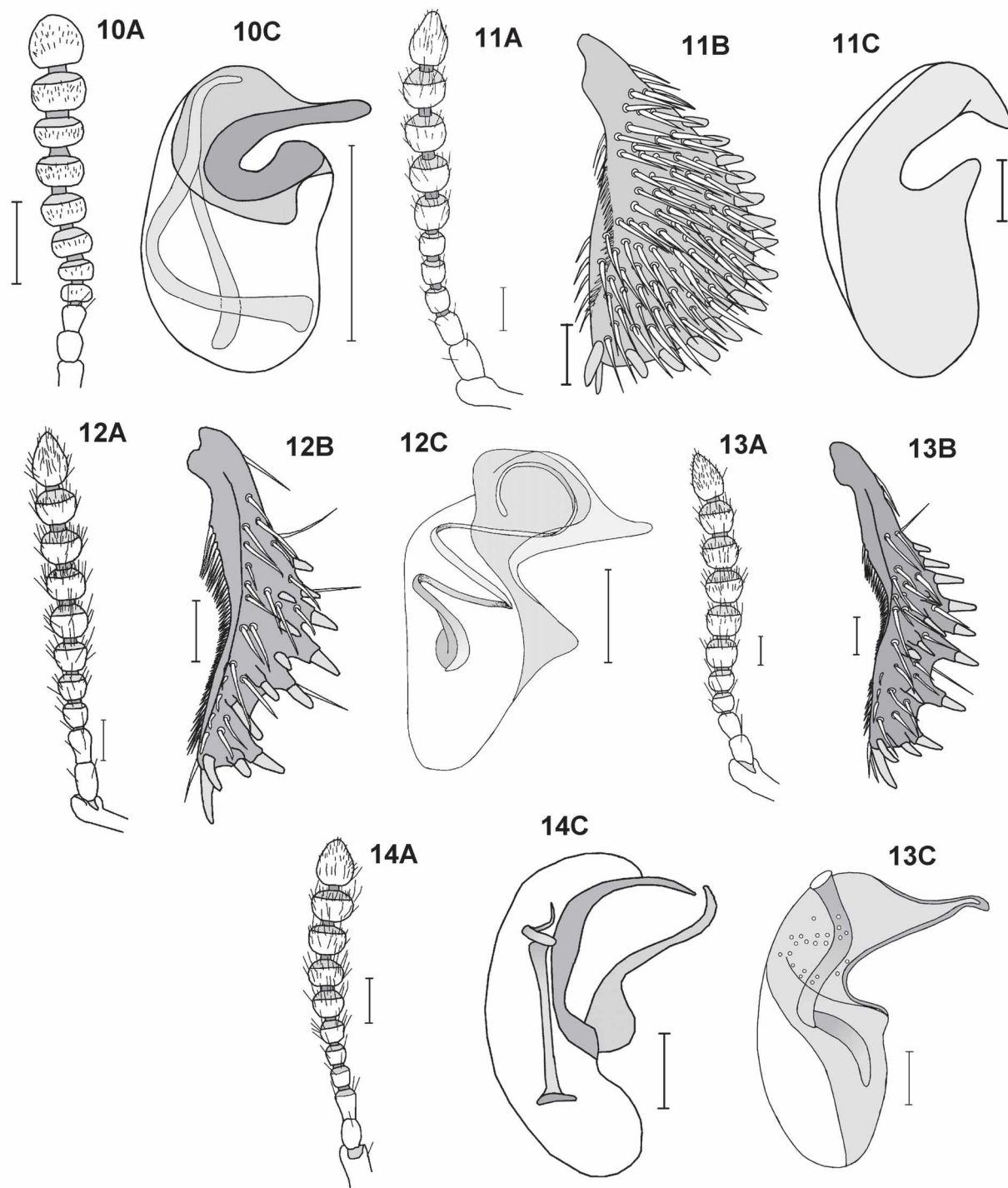


Fig. 10–14: *Tumboecus struyvei* (10); *Osoriosetus hanagarthi* (11), *Neosorius brasiliensis* (12), *N. mexicanus* (13), *Paratrochus tilli* (14); antenna (A), protibia in posterior aspect (B), aedeagus (C); antenna (A), protibia in posterior aspect (B), aedeagus (C); scale bar: 0.1 mm.

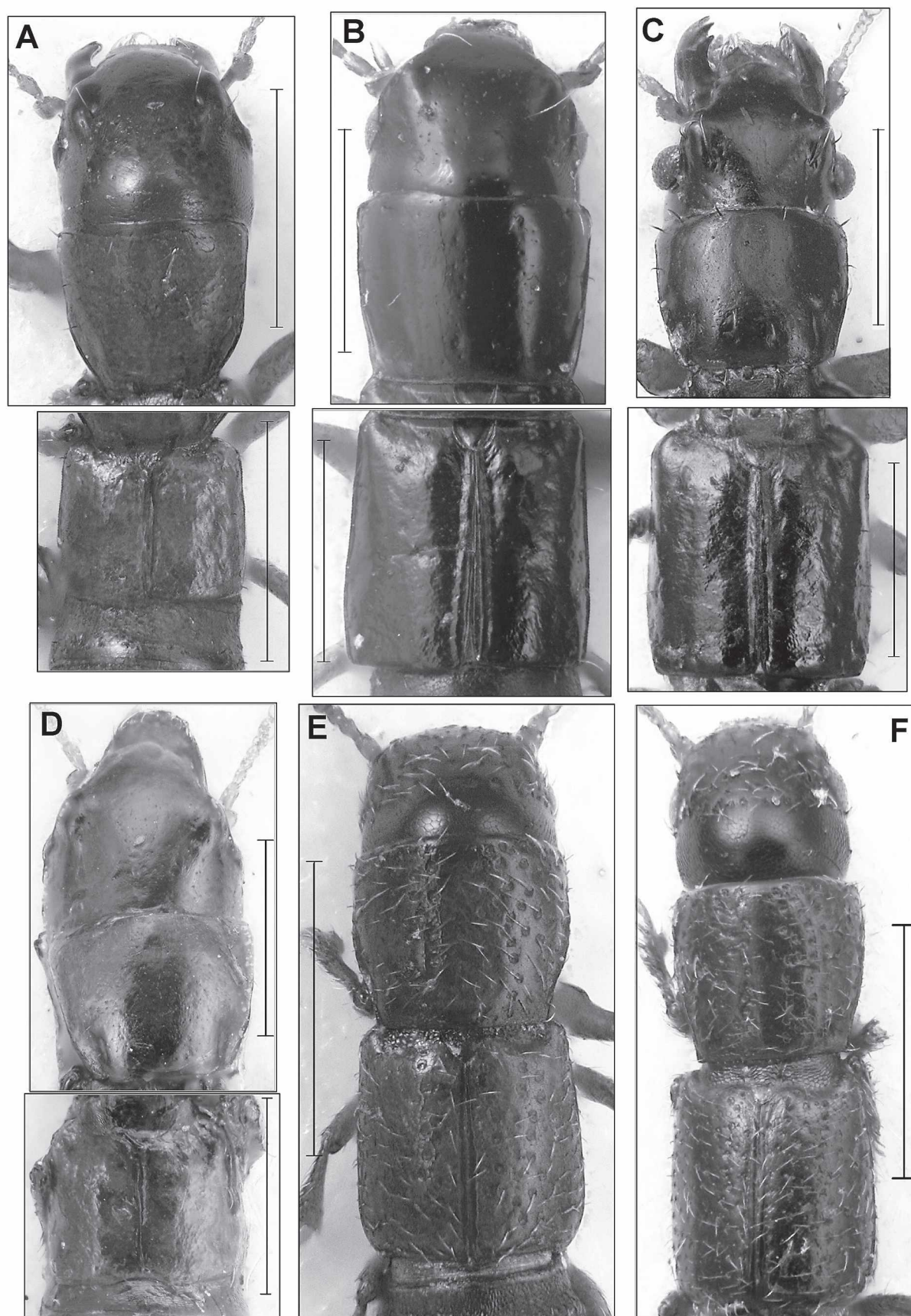


Fig. 15: Head, pronotum, and elytra of *Ouloglène barberi* (A), *Oryssma schwarzi* (B), *O. politum* (C), *O. exalatum* (D), *Tumboecus verhaaghi* (E), and *T. struyvei* (F); scale bar: 0.5 mm.

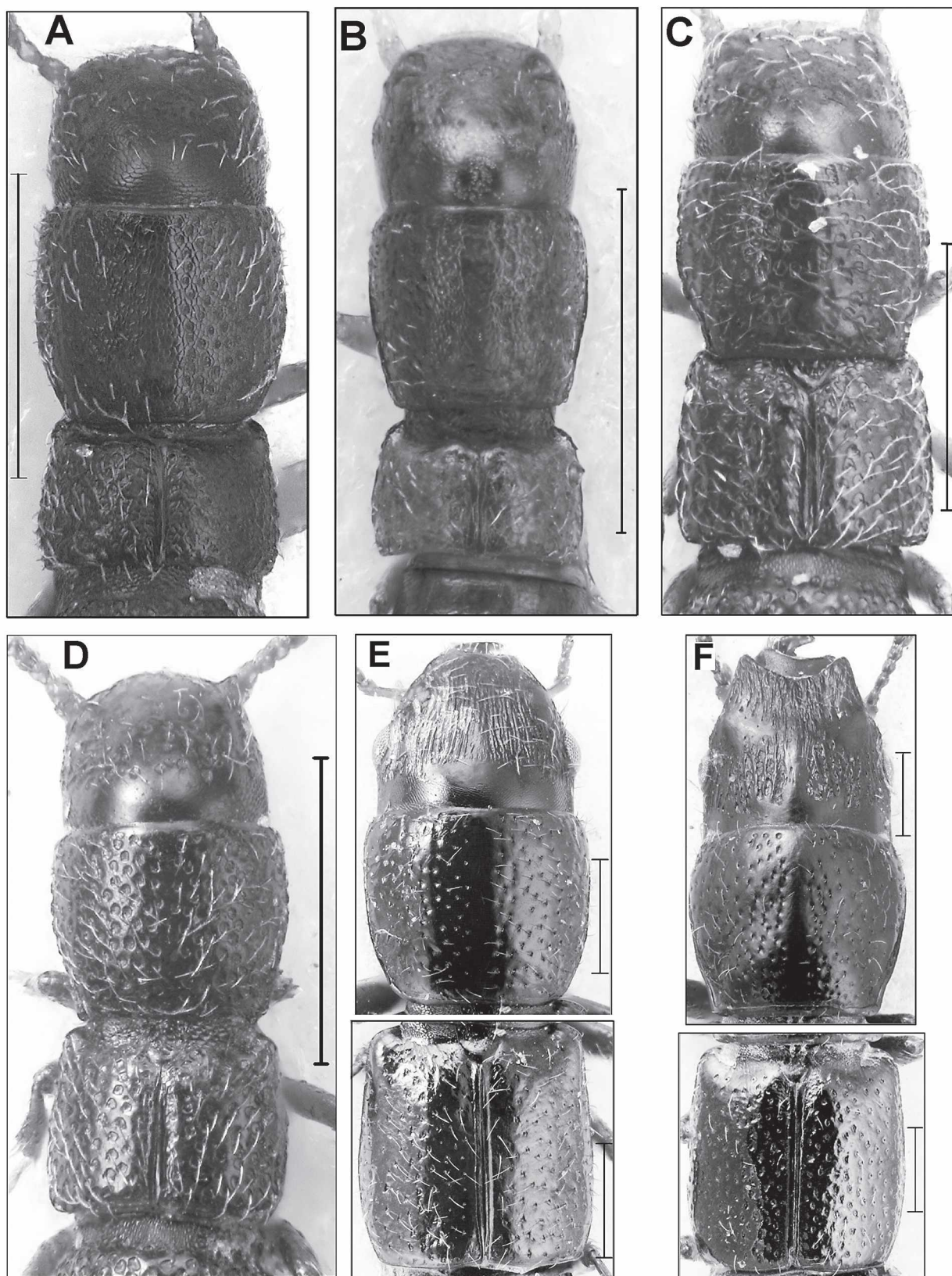


Fig. 16: Head, pronotum, and elytra of *Neorhabdopsis brasiliensis* (A), *N. pecki* (B), *N. lutzi* (C), *N. panamae* (D), *Neosorius brasiliensis* (E), and *N. mexicanus* (F); scale bar: 0.5 mm.

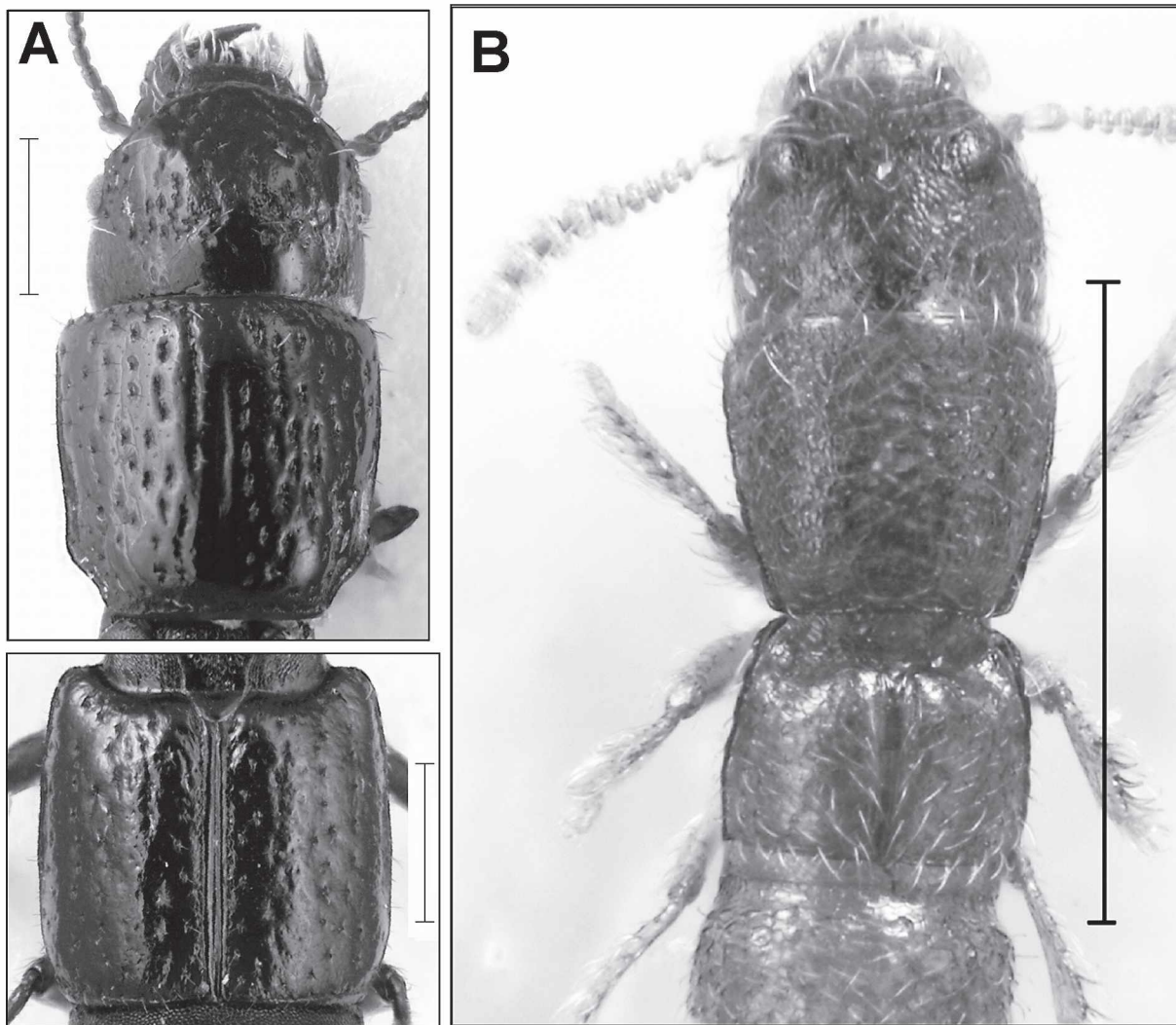


Fig. 17: Head, pronotum, and elytra of *Osoriosetus hanagarthi* (A) and *Tavakilianidia anophtalma* (B); scale bar: 0.5 mm.

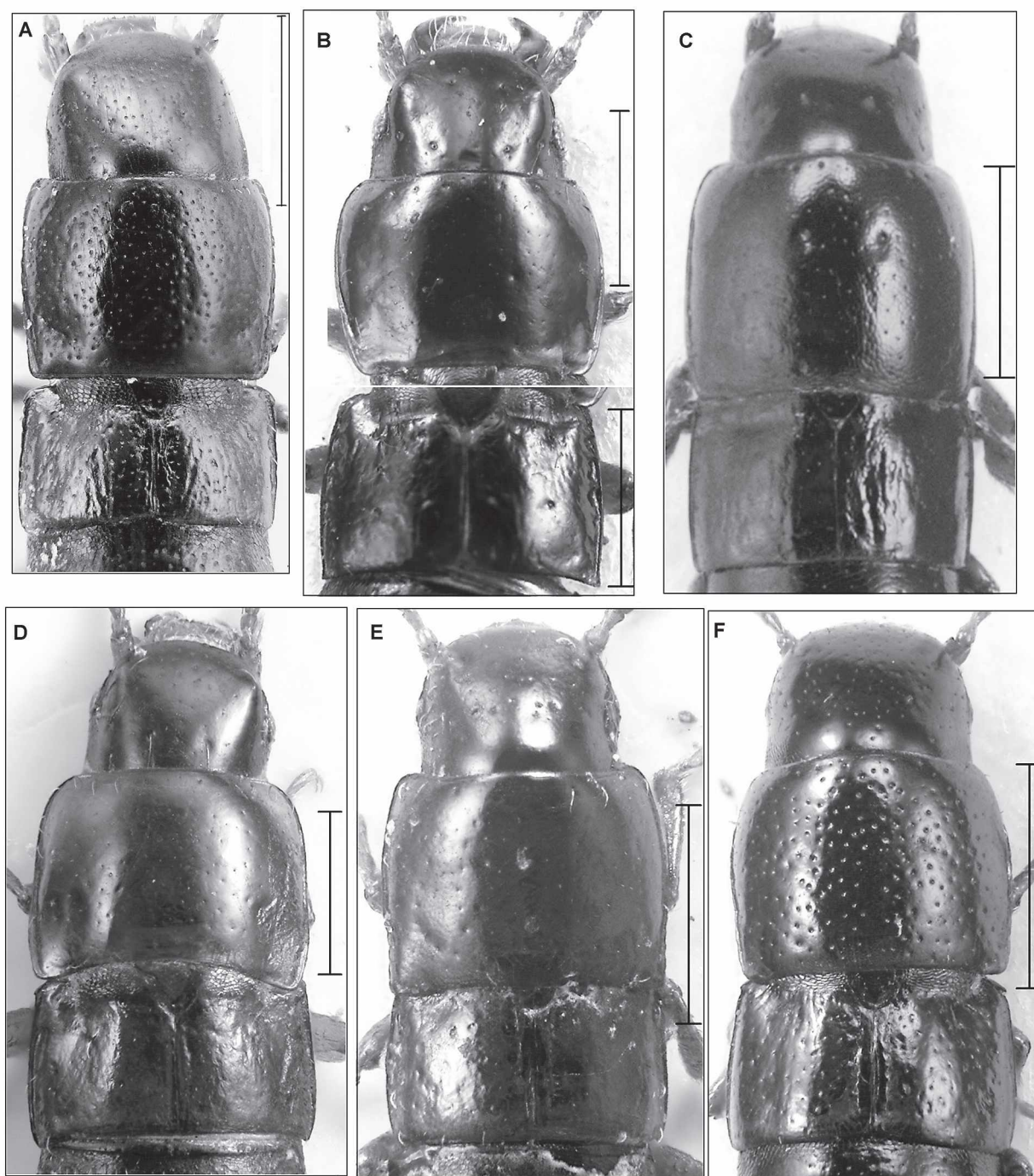


Fig. 18: Head, pronotum, and elytra of *Paratrochus tilli* (A), *P. brasiliensis* (B), *P. chilensis* (C), *P. columbiensis* (D), *P. panamae* (E), and *P. chiriquensis* (F); scale bar: 0.5 mm.

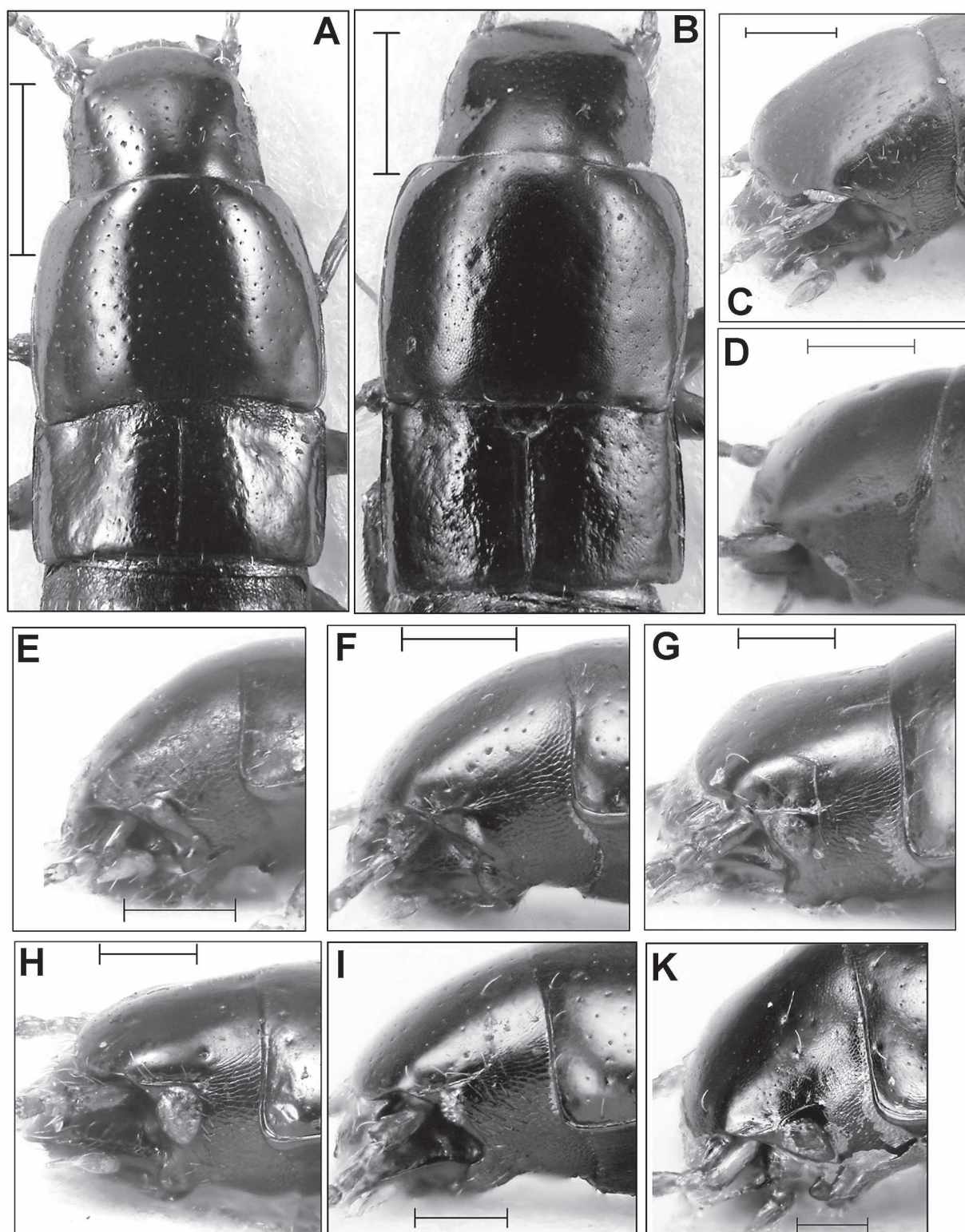


Fig. 19: Head, pronotum, and elytra of *Paratrochus bolivianus* (A), *P. breviatus* (B), and head in lateral aspect of *P. tilli* (C), *P. chilensis* (D), *P. panamae* (E), *P. chiquensis* (F), *P. columbiensis* (G), *P. brasiliensis* (H), *P. bolivianus* (I), and *P. breviatus* (K); scale bar of A and B: 0.5 mm; scale bar of C–K: 0.2 mm.

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