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***Phalacrolinus monserrati* OUTERELO, 1976 synonym of  
*Hypnogyra angularis* (GANGLBAUER, 1895)  
(Coleoptera, Staphylinidae, Xantholinini)  
280° contribution to the knowledge of the Staphylinidae**

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**A b s t r a c t:** The following synonymie is proposed: *Phalacrolinus monserrati* OUTERELO, 1976 synonym of *Hypnogyra angularis* (GANGLBAUER, 1895).

**K e y w o r d s:** Coleoptera, Staphylinidae, Xantholinini, *Hypnogyra*, new synonymie.

During the study and the description of the larva of *Waitatia maoriana* BORDONI, 2005 from New Zealand (BORDONI & NUNN, in press), I looked for papers in which they were described larvae of Xantholinini. Among these OUTERELO (1976) and PIETRYKOWSKA-TUDRUJ & STANIEK (2006) in which it was described respectively larvae of *Phalacrolinus* (now *Hypnogyra*) *monserrati* OUTERELO, 1976 and *Hypnogyra angularis* (GANGLBAUER, 1895). The comparison of the description and of the figures proposed by Outerelo both of external characters both of the aedeagus suggests that without any doubt *H. monserrati* is equal to *H. angularis*. The differences indicated by the Spanish author are frankly insignificant and are to be referred to the variability of the species. He wrote indeed that *H. monserrati* differs from *H. angularis* for having the basal end of the basal bulb pointed, not rounded, inner sac much thicker and not with two turns of spring among others. Although the description and figures relating to the larva of *H. monserrati* are equal to those proposed from *H. angularis*. In fact, PIETRYKOWSKA-TUDRUJ & STANIEK (l.c.) report that the only differences between the larva described by OUTERELO (l. c.) and the one described by their (*H. angularis*) refer to the slightly larger size and at the chaetotaxy of micro setae of head and maxilla. So PIETRYKOWSKA-TUDRUJ & STANIEK do not have described for the first time the larva of *H. angularis* but definitely have provided a thorough and detailed description, enriched by numerous, exhaustive figures, other than the description for the first time of egg and pupa. How to summarize the HERMAN (2001) and SMETANA (2004) catalogs, *H. angularis* has spread across much of Europe, Algeria, Tunisia (but these last two data will be confirmed in my opinion), Turkey, but not in Japan, as some Authors reported (Herman l. c.; Smetana l. c.), although not very common, linked to moist wood dust of old deciduous trees with holes in the trunk, often with birds nest inside. The species is cited also from Spain in the catalogue of Smetana (l. c.). In a recent contribution (BORDONI 2016) I proposed the synonymy between *H. angularis* and *Xantholinus laevisimus* (REITTER, 1898) so the species is also known to the border Azerbaijan-Iran. As a result of these considerations, I

propose the following synonymy: *Hypnogyra angularis* (GANGLBAUER, 1895) = *Phalacrolinus monserrati* OUTERELO, 1976, n.syn.

### Zusammenfassung

Die Synonymisierung von *Phalacrolinus monserrati* OUTERELO, 1976 = *Hypnogyra angularis* (GANGLBAUER, 1895) (Staphylinidae) wird vorgenommen.

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