

**[*Hypena?*] *perna* FELDER & ROGENHOFER, 1873 a  
new junior synonym of *Hypena (Conscitalypena)*  
*conscitalis* WALKER, [1866] 1865  
(Lepidoptera: Noctuidae: Hypeninae).**

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**Abstract**

[*Hypena?*] *perna* FELDER & ROGENHOFER, 1873 is recognized as a junior synonym of *Hypena (Conscitalypena) conscitalis* WALKER, [1866] 1865. The holotype was rediscovered in the collections of the BMNH and is illustrated.

**Zusammenfassung**

[*Hypena?*] *perna* FELDER & ROGENHOFER, 1873 wird als jüngeres Synonym von *Hypena (Conscitalypena) conscitalis* WALKER, [1866] 1865 erkannt. Der Holotypus wurde in den Sammlungsbeständen des BMNH wiederentdeckt und wird in dieser Arbeit abgebildet.

**Key words:** *Conscitalypena*, *Hypena*, *Hypena conscitalis*, *Hypena perna*, new synonymy, Oriental Region.

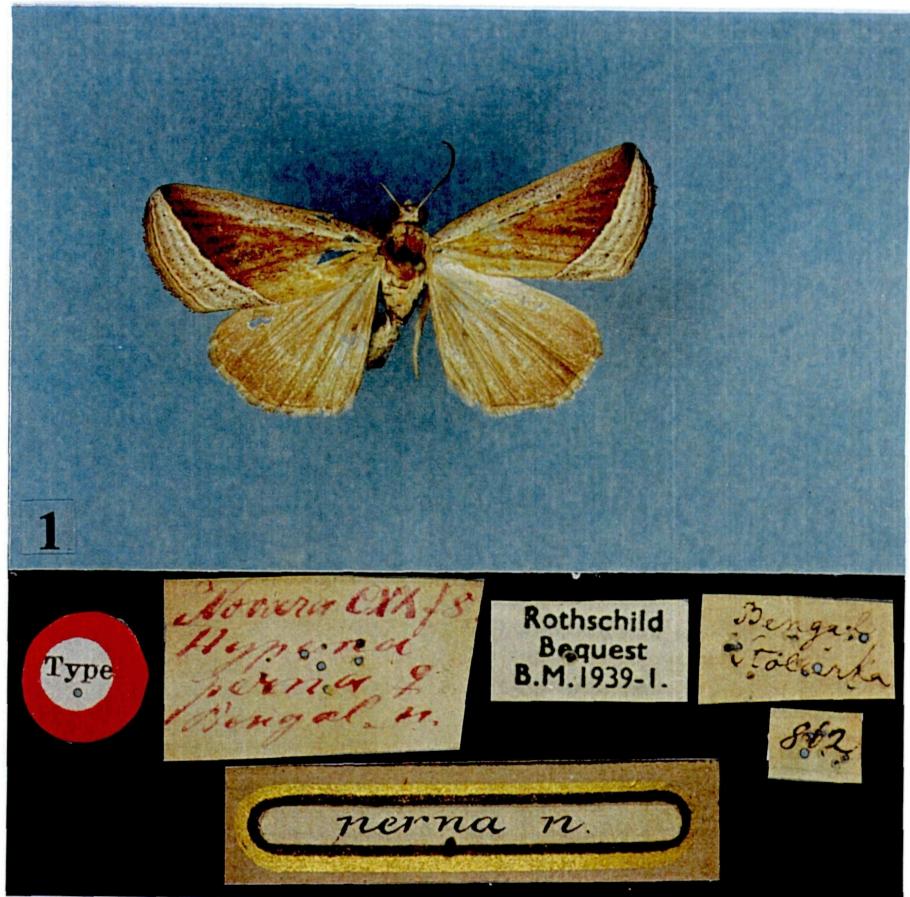
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The holotype of [*Hypena?*] *perna* Felder & Rogenhofer, 1873 was recently rediscovered in the collections of the BMNH (= The Natural History Museum, London). The worn holotype is obviously a female and is illustrated in this paper (Fig. 1). After investigation of the specimen it became clear that [*H.?*] *perna* is a junior synonym of *Hypena (Conscitalypena) conscitalis* WALKER, [1866] 1865.

[*Hypena?*] *perna* FELDER & ROGENHOFER, 1873 syn.n. of *Hypena (Conscitalypena) conscitalis* WALKER, [1866] 1865:

**Fig. 1:**

[*H. ?*] *perna*  
F. & R., 1873  
Holotype ♀ (BMNH).



**Examined type material:**

Holotype: ♀ [India] "Type \ Novara CXX/8. Hypena perna ♀ Bengal n. \ Rothschild Bequest B.M. 1939-1. \ Bengal Stolicka[?] \ 862 \ perna n." (BMNH) (Fig. 1).

[*H. ?*] *perna* was treated as a synonym of *Hypena (Ophiuche) lividalis* (HÜBNER, 1790) due to the illustration of the original description (POOLE 1989, LÖDL 1994). *H. (C.) conscitalis* is a widespread species of the Old World tropics and is found from Africa throughout the Oriental Region to Australia and Melanesia and Polynesia. The species is uniform in its external shape and wing pattern but our knowledge is poor about the variation of the copulatory organs. It is possible that the species in the future will split into several distinct species.

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