

Atlas of Larval Sclerites - Request for Assistance

Dear Colleagues,

I am presently engaged in a project which began because of the need for aids to identification of fossil sclerites, but which I hope will be of use to anyone who needs to identify caddisfly larvae. My plan is to publish an annotated atlas of photographs of larval sclerites (frontoclypeus and thoracic plates) in sections, as the work is completed. The first part will probably include hydropsychids of Britain and Northern Europe, but I have also begun working on limepephilids, goerids, hydropsychids and phryganeids from both Europe and North America.

I am using much material from my own collections but in order to make each part as complete as possible, and take into consideration variation within species, I would like to make a request for assistance. I would be very grateful for donations of mature pupae with larval sclerites from the above families. Final instar larvae whose identity can be firmly established can also be used.

This is a long-term project, but with your assistance, useful portions could be ready within a relatively short time period.

With many thanks,

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