

On synonymy of linyphiid spiders of the Russian fauna. 3 (*Arachnida: Aranei: Linyphiidae*)

О синонимии пауков-линифиид фауны России. 3 (*Arachnida: Aranei: Linyphiidae*)

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ABSTRACT. The following new synonyms are established: *Alioranus avanturus* Andreeva et Tyschchenko, 1970, syn.n. = *A. chiardolae* (di Caporiacco, 1935), comb.n. ex *Gongylidiellum* Simon, 1884; *Gnathonarium sibirianum* (Keyserling, 1886), syn.n. and *G. columbianum* (Emerton, 1923), syn.n. = *G. taczanowskii* (O. Pickard-Cambridge, 1873), non *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885); *Pelecopsis steppensis* Gnelitsa, 2008, syn.n. = *P. laptevi* Tanasevitch et Fet, 1986; *Porrhomma kulczynskii* Starega, 1974, syn.n. = *P. boreale* (Banks, 1899). The synonymy of *G. famelicum* (Keyserling, 1886) with *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885) is reaffirmed. Abundant material of *G. dentatum* (Wider, 1834) is revised, some of the samples from the Russian Far East being actually referred to *G. suppositum*, but some others, from Kamchatka (the Geysers Valley), as well as from the continental parts of the Russian Far East and central Siberia, which combine the characters of both *G. dentatum* and *G. suppositum*, are probably hybrids between these similar taxa. All records of *Bathyphantes similis* Kulczyński, 1894 from Russia are misidentifications and actually refer to *B. gracilis* (Blackwall, 1841). All Palaearctic records of *Wabasso quaestio* (Chamberlin, 1949) appear to represent *W. replicatus* (Holm, 1950). *Tapinocyba incerta* Kulczyński, 1916, recorded by Tullgren [1955] in Sweden, actually refers to *Tapinocyboides pygmaeus* (Menge, 1869), thus the distributional pattern of this species, now *Sibirocyba incerta*, can be regarded as Siberian. *Agyneta birulaioides* Wunderlich, 1995 is being reported from Europe for the first time, due to its record in the steppe habitats of Kherson Area, Ukraine. *Mecynargus minutipalpis* Gnelitsa, 2011, from the Kalmyk Republic, and *Tibioploides stigmosus* (Xia et al., 2001), from the Kurile Islands, are new to the Russian fauna. *Mecynargus longus* (Kulczyński, 1882) is removed from the Russian list.

РЕЗЮМЕ. Установлена новая синонимия: *Alioranus avanturus* Andreeva et Tyschchenko, 1970, syn.n. = *A. chiardolae* (di Caporiacco, 1935), comb.n. ex *Gongylidiellum* Simon, 1884; *Gnathonarium sibirianum* (Keyserling, 1886), syn.n. и *G. columbianum* (Emerton, 1923), syn.n. = *G. taczanowskii* (O. Pickard-Cambridge, 1873), а не *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885); *Pelecopsis steppensis* Gnelitsa, 2008, syn.n. = *P. laptevi* Tanasevitch et Fet, 1986; *Porrhomma kulczynskii* Starega, 1974, syn.n. = *P. boreale* (Banks, 1899). Подтверждена синонимия *G. famelicum* (Keyserling, 1886) и *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885). Пересмотрен материал по *G. dentatum* (Wider, 1834): установлено, что некоторые экземпляры из российского Дальнего Востока на самом деле являются *G. suppositum*, а экземпляры из Долины гейзеров (Камчатка), а также из континентальных регионов российского Дальнего Востока и Центральной Сибири несут признаки как *G. dentatum*, так и *G. suppositum*: вероятно, эта территория является ареной гибридизации двух близких таксонов. Все находки *Bathyphantes similis* Kulczyński, 1894 в России являются ошибочными и относятся к *B. gracilis* (Blackwall, 1841). Все находки *Wabasso quaestio* (Chamberlin, 1949) в Палеарктике относятся к *W. replicatus* (Holm, 1950). *Tapinocyba incerta* Kulczyński, 1916, отмеченный в Швеции [Tullgren, 1955], в действительности является *Tapinocyboides pygmaeus* (Menge, 1869), т.о., ареал этого вида, ныне *Sibirocyba incerta*, следует рассматривать как сибирский. *Agyneta birulaioides* Wunderlich, 1995 впервые найден в Европе (степи Херсонщины, Украина). *Mecynargus minutipalpis* Gnelitsa, 2011 найденный в Калмыкии и *Tibioploides stigmosus* (Xia et al., 2001) с Курильских островов — новые для фауны России; напротив, *Mecynargus longus* (Kulczyński, 1882) выведен из ее состава.

Introduction

This paper is the third in a series [see Tanasevitch, 2010, 2011] of contributions reassessing the validity and status of certain linyphiid species from the Russian fauna *sensu lato*, i.e., considered in the scope of the former Soviet Union. Besides this, it corrects some previous misidentifications, revises several identities, as well as puts on record some new or interesting findings of linyphiids.

Material and Methods

This paper is mainly based on the spider material kept at the Zoological Museum of the Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia, as well as in the personal collections of Andrei Tanasevitch, Moscow, Alexander Ponomarev, Rostov-on-Don, Russia, and Donald Buckle, Saskatchewan, Canada. Some types and comparative material have been obtained from Institute for Biological Problems of the North, Magadan, Russia; Muséum d'Histoire naturelle, Geneva, Switzerland; Museo Civico di Storia naturale, Milano, Italy; Naturhistoriska Riks-museet, Stockholm, Sweden; Perm State University, Perm, Russia; Senckenberg Museum, Frankfurt am Main, Germany; Department of Zoology, University of Tel Aviv, Israel; University of Alaska Museum, Fairbanks, USA; Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences, St. Petersburg, Russia; Museum and Institute of Zoology, Warsaw, Poland, and Zoological Museum, Turku University, Turku, Finland.

Drawings are based on photographs taken by a digital camera.

Abbreviations used in the text and figures: CAP — personal collection of A. Ponomarev; CAT — personal collection of A. Tanasevitch; CDB — personal collection of D. Buckle; CVS — collection of Sytschevskaya (ZMMU); IBPN — Institute for Biological Problems of the North, Magadan; Ma — mastidion; MCSNM — Museo civico di Storia naturale, Milano; MHNG — Muséum d'Histoire naturelle, Geneva; MIZ — Zoological Museum of the Institute of Zoology, Warsaw; NHMF — Natural History Museum University of Florence; NHRS — Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet, Stockholm; N.R. — Nature Reserve; PSU — Department of Zoology, Perm State University, Perm; SMF — Senckenberg Museum, Frankfurt am Main; UAM — University of Alaska Museum, Fairbanks; UTA — Department of Zoology, University of Tel Aviv; ZIN — Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Science, St. Petersburg; ZMMU — Zoological Museum, Moscow State University, Moscow; ZMTU — Zoological Museum, Turku University, Turku.

Results

Alioranus chiardolae (di Caporiacco, 1935), comb.n.

1935 *Gongylidiellum chiardolae* di Caporiacco: 169, Pl. III, fig. 1 (a–c), ♂ & ♀, MCSNM, type examined.

1970 *Alioranus avanturus* Andreeva et Tyschchenko: 38, fig. 1 (a–ж), ♂ & ♀, syn.n.

1976 *A. avanturus*. — ANDREEVA: 61, figs 62–68, ♂ & ♀.

1989 *A. avanturus*. — Tanasevitch: 124, figs 110–114, ♂ & ♀.

TYPE MATERIAL EXAMINED. *Gongylidiellum chiardolae*: 2 ♂♂, 4 ♀♀; 1 ♂ designated herewith as lectotype (MCSNM, #137), Karakorum, Dumultar, Punmah, 3950 m a.s.l., 5.VIII.1929; 1 ♀ (MCSNM, #165), Karakorum, Fra Lamidukha e Punmah, 3600 m a.s.l., 8.VIII.1929; 3 ♂♂ (MCSNM, #127b); Bardumal, 3300 m a.s.l., 2.VIII.1929; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (MCSNM w/o #), Bardumal, 3300 m a.s.l., 2.VIII.1929.

MATERIAL EXAMINED. *Alioranus avanturus*: 4 ♂♂, 18 ♀♀ (ZMMU), UZBEKISTAN, Pamir-Alay Mts, Surkhandarya Area, Kugitang Mt. Ridge, Baglydara Valley, 1600–1800 m a.s.l., *Juniperus* sparse forest, litter along spring, 25–27.V.1985, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 4 ♂♂, 7 ♀♀ (MHNG), 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (ZMMU), Kugitang Mt. Ridge, near Kampyrtyra (= Kempir-Tyube), in grass near spring, 1800 m a.s.l., 19.V.1985; 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (ZMMU), same, under stones in spring channel, 15.V.1985, all leg. A. Tanasevitch; 2 ♂♂ (MHNG), 10 ♀♀ (ZMMU), TURKMENISTAN, Pamir-Alay Mts, Kugitang-Tau Mt. Ridge, near Khodjapil-Ata, 1200 m a.s.l., valley, under stones along spring, 10.V.1985, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (ZMMU), same, valley, under stones on slope, 1200 m a.s.l., 10.V.1985; 1 ♀ (ZMMU), KYRGYZSTAN, North-Eastern Tian Shan Mts, Ysyk-Kol [= Issyk-Kul] Area, Terskey Ala-Too Mt. Ridge, Koilyu Valley, 2800 m a.s.l., *Picea* forest, 16.VII.1983, leg. S. Ovtchinnikov; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (ZMMU), Northern Tian Shan Mts, Ysyk-Kol [= Issyk-Kul] Area, Terskey Ala-Too Mt. Ridge, Chon-Uryukty Valley, 2100 m a.s.l., 11.VIII.1984, leg. S. Ovtchinnikov; 2 ♂♂ (CAT), South-Western Tian Shan Mts, Jalal-Abad [= Dzhahal-Abad] Area, Nooken [= Lenin] District, W foothills of Chaaktau Mt. Ridge, ca 1 km SE of Tashkomur [= Tash-Kumyr], Sary-Kamysh-Sai River Valley, ca 41°20'00.0"N, 72°13'30.0"E, 600–650 m a.s.l., 13–25.VIII.1985, leg. D. Logunov; 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (CAT), Inner Tian Shan Mts Naryn Area, Naryn [= Tian Shan] District, N slope of Naryn-Too Mt. Ridge, Iri-Suu [= Iiri-Suu Southern] River Canyon, ca 3.5 km E of Tash-Bashat, ca 41°28'01.0"N, 76°27'03.4"E, 2400–2450 m a.s.l., 19.VII.1987, leg. S. Ovtchinnikov; 1 ♀ (ZMMU), TAJIKISTAN, W-Pamir Mts, Gorno-Badakhshan Autonomous Region, Shugnanskiy Mt. Ridge, near Khorog, 2000–3000 m a.s.l., 17.V.1970, leg. E. Andreeva.

REMARKS. *Gongylidiellum chiardolae* was originally described from both sexes from Karakorum (3300–3600 m a.s.l.) by di Caporiacco [1935]. The description was accompanied by such poor line drawings that no identification could be made without a restudy of type material.

Alioranus avanturus Andreeva et Tyschchenko, 1970 was based on a male from Varzob Valley, Pamir-Alay Mts, and two females from the “Tigrovaya Balka” Nature Reserve, both localities in Tajikistan [Andreeva & Tyschchenko, 1970]. Later, *A. avanturus* was recorded from different parts of Central Asia: Kugitang Mt. Ridge, Pamir-Alay Mts, 1400–1800 m a.s.l. (Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan); from Terskey Ala-Too Mt. Ridge, Tian Shan Mts, 2100–2800 m a.s.l. (Kyrgyzstan), and from Pamir Mts, Gorno-Badakhshan Autonomous Region, 2000–3000 m a.s.l. (Tajikistan), all records by Tanasevitch [1989]. A study of the types of *G. chiardolae* shows its complete identity to *A. avanturus*. Thus, the latter species in a new subjective junior synonym of *A. chiardolae*, syn.n. & comb.n.

DISTRIBUTION. The mountains of Central Asia: Tian Shan, Pamir-Alay, Pamir, Himalaya (Karakorum); occurring from 300 up to 3000 m a.s.l.

PATTERN. Central Asian.

Gnathonarium suppositum (Kulczyński, 1885)
Figs 1–6; 13–21; 28–37.

- 1885 *Gongylidium suppositum* Kulczyński: 36.
1886 *Erigone famelica* Keyserling: 186, pl. XVII: 246, ♂, NMNH, type examined, **syn. confirm.**
1886 *E. sibiriana* Keyserling: 189, pl. XVII, fig. 249, ♀, NMNH, type examined, **syn. confirm.**
1935 *Gnathonarium dentatum*. — Sytschevskaya: 91, misidentification, examined.
1960 *G. famelicum*. — Holm: 117, fig. 9, ♀.
1992 *G. dentatum*. — Eskov: 55, in part, misidentification, examined.
1993 *G. dentatum*. — Marusik et al.: 76, misidentification, examined.
2007 *G. dentatum*. — Tanasevitch: 256, misidentification, examined.
2007 *G. dentatum*. — Marusik et al.: 46, possible misidentification.

For more information on findings and misidentifications see Eskov [1994].

TYPE MATERIAL EXAMINED. *Erigone famelica* Keyserling, 1886: 1 ♂, type, U.S. National Museum Collection NMNH, Washington, #1638. *Erigone sibiriana* Keyserling, 1886: 1 ♀, type, U.S. National Museum Collection NMNH, Washington, #1652.

COMPARATIVE MATERIAL EXAMINED. *Gnathonarium suppositum*: 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (UAM), recognized by photos, USA, Alaska State, Aleutian Islands, Agattu Isl., 15 m a.s.l., 52°28.385'N 173°35.439'E, beach, 5–19.VI.2008, leg. L. Kenney & R. Kaler; 4 ♀♀ (ZMMU, CVS, Ta-2806, as *G. dentatum*), RUSSIA, Kamchatka Peninsula, Ust'-Kamchatsk, in a tent, 20–24.IX.1930, leg. V. Sytschevskaya; 1 ♂ (ZMMU, CVS, Ta-2808, as *G. dentatum*), same, Ust'-Kamchatsk, Lake Nerpech'ye, XI.1932, leg. V. Sytschevskaya; 1 ♀, (ZMMU, CVS, Ta-2805, as *G. dentatum*), Kamchatka, Kamchatkan River near Ust'-Kamchatsk, in grass, 3–4.VIII.1930, leg. V. Sytschevskaya; 1 ♀, (ZMMU, as *G. famelicum*), Commander Islands, Mednyi Island, Cape Drovenskoy, grassy tundra, under twigs and branches, 8.VII.1983, leg. A. Zimenko; 1 ♀ (ZMMU, as *G. famelicum*), Mednyi Island, VII–VIII.1978, leg. A. Panteleev; 4 ♀♀, (CAT, as *G. dentatum*) Simushir Island, Brouton Bay area, 47.141086°N, 152.266331°E, shrubby slopes on coast of Brouton Bay with *Alnus* sp., *Betula* sp., *Pinus pumila*, in litter and under stones, 15–16.VIII.2002, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 4 ♂♂, 17 ♀♀, (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), environs of Brouton Bay, 47.111881°N, 152.190622°E, top of ridge, 300–350 m a.s.l., lichen-moss tundra with shrubs of *Pinus pumila*; *Empetrum* sp., *Arctous* sp., 15–16.VIII.2002, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (ZMMU, as *G. dentatum*), Sakhalin, Makarov District, environs of Pugachevo, 5–6.IX.1983, leg. A. Basarukin; 5 ♂♂, 12 ♀♀ (ZMMU, as *G. dentatum*), Tomarino District, Lake Ainskoye, Ptich'ya River, wet meadow, 24–25.V.1984, leg. A. Basarukin; 1 ♀, (ZMMU, as *G. dentatum*), Dolinsk District, Pokrovka, 18–23.VII.1987, leg. A. Basarukin; 2 ♀♀, (ZMMU, as *G. dentatum*), Maritime Prov. (= Primorskiy Krai) Vladivostok, Artyom, 3.VI.1981, leg. P. Dunin.

REMARKS. *Gnathonarium suppositum* was originally described from a single female from the environs of Petropavlovsk-Kamchatskiy, Kamchatka Peninsula [Kulczyński, 1885], in *Gongylidium* Karsch, 1881. The holotype is probably lost, having been found neither in MIZ, Warsaw (Dominika Mierzwa-Szymkowiak, pers. comm.) nor in ZIN, St. Petersburg (Kirill Mikhailov, pers. comm.).

Eskov [1988: 105], without any explanation, synonymized both *G. columbianum* Emerton, 1923, and *G. famelicum* (Keyserling, 1886) under *G. suppositum*. Also groundlessly, Eskov & Marusik [1994: 67] synonymized *G. sibirianum* (Keyserling, 1886) with *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885).

However, this becoming clear only now, the synonymy *G. columbianum* = *G. suppositum* is wrong (see remarks under *G. taczanowskii*). In contrast, the synonymy *G. suppositum* = *G. famelicum* and *G. sibirianum* = *G. suppositum* are correct. Even though the holotype of *G. suppositum* could not be relocated, examination of the type of *G. famelicum*, described from Sitka, Alaska [Keyserling, 1886], and its comparison with *G. suppositum* material from the Aleutian Islands, USA, Kamchatka and the other places in the Russian Far East referred to above show that both these species are conspecific (**syn. confirm.**). An examination of the type of *G. sibirianum*, which was originally described from a female from the Commander Islands, Russia [Keyserling, 1886], shows that this species is also conspecific to *G. suppositum* (**syn. confirm.**)

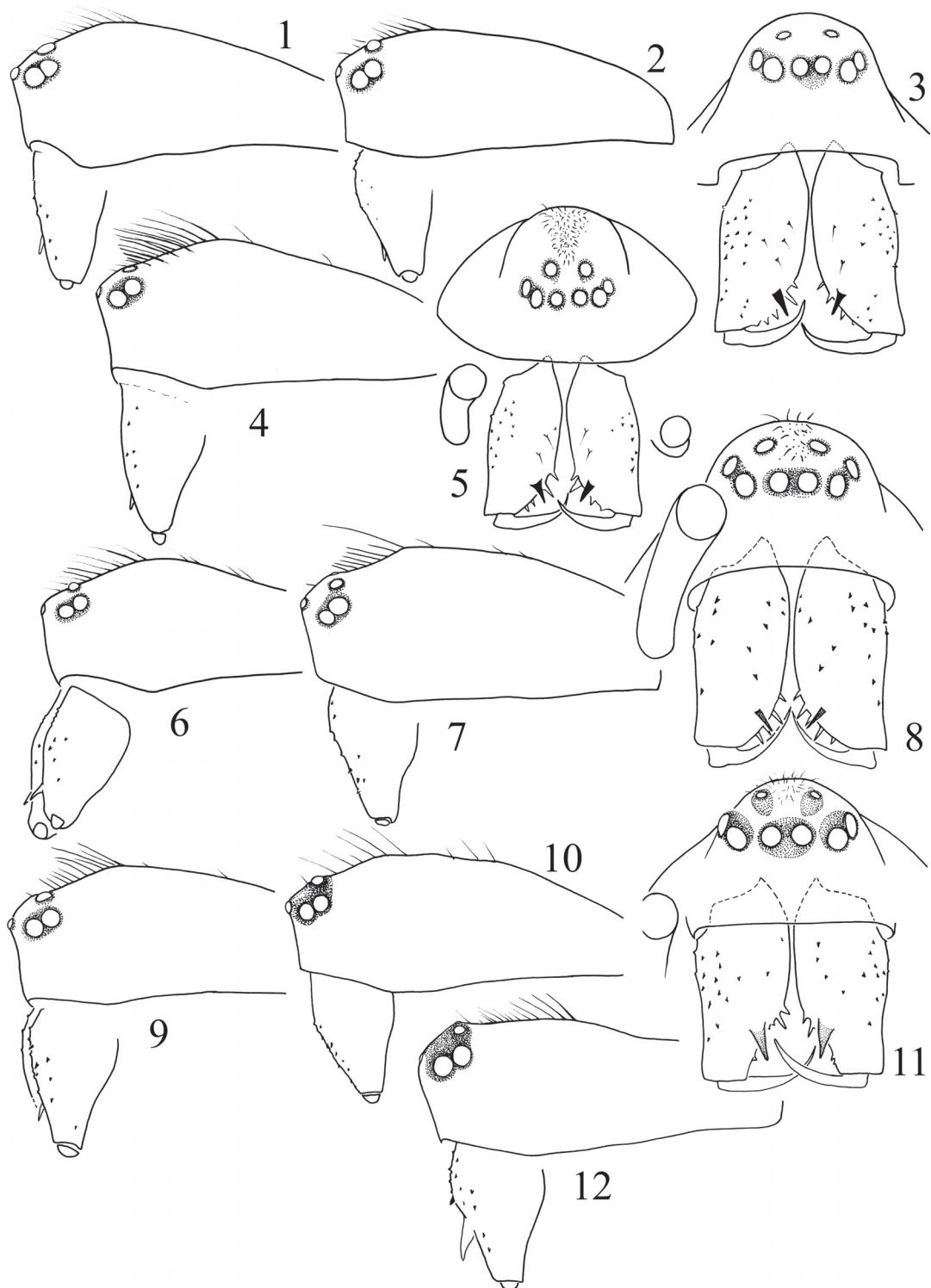
The differences between *G. suppositum* and *G. dentatum* (Wider, 1834) are small and often overlapping. Thus, the carapace of the male of *G. suppositum* is characterized by a slight and regular curve of its back. In addition, this being even more marked, a much smaller mastidion is only poorly visible from behind the chelicera in lateral view. The tip of the male palpal tibia is narrowed at its base and bent down a bit more evidently than in *G. dentatum*. The epigyne in *G. suppositum* differs by the loops of the entrance ducts slightly sunken caudad, as well as by the slightly larger “pocket” on the epigynal median plate.

NOTE. *Gnathonarium* samples collected from the Geysers Valley in Kamchatka combine the characters both of *G. suppositum* and *G. dentatum*, probably being their hybrids (see below under *G. dentatum*).

DISTRIBUTION: Kamchatka and islands in the Russian Far East: Sakhalin, Kurile Islands, Commander Islands; USA and Canada: Aleutian Islands, Alaska to Manitoba in the east.

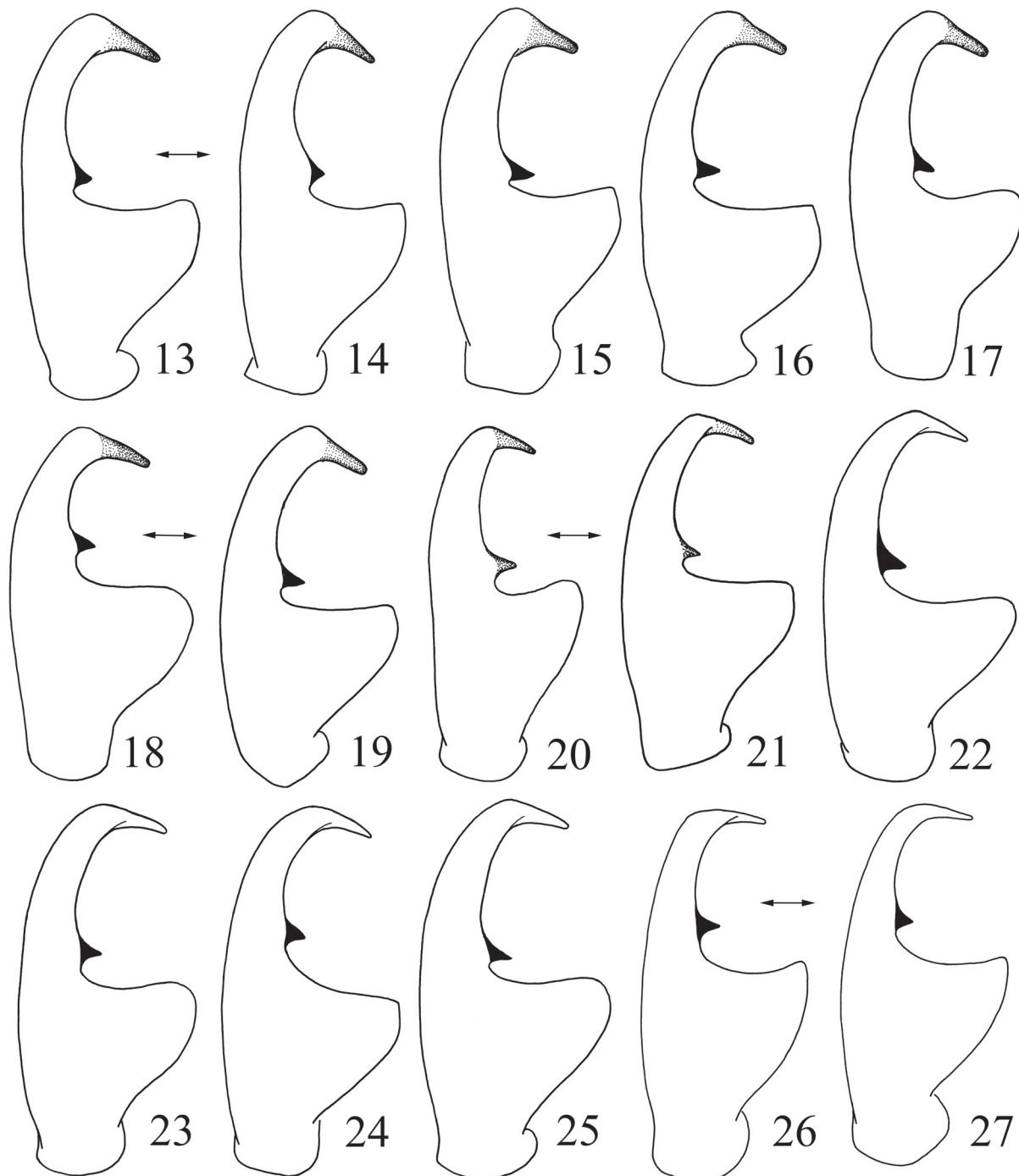
Gnathonarium dentatum (Wider, 1834)
Figs 7–12, 22–27, 38–94.

- 1992 *G. dentatum*. — Eskov & Marusik: 71, examined.
1992 *G. dentatum*. — Eskov: 77, examined.
2004 *G. dentatum*. — Tanasevitch & Trilikauskas: 81, examined.
2006 *G. dentatum*. — Tanasevitch: 358, examined.
2006 *G. dentatum*. — Trilikauskas & Tanasevitch: 341, examined.
2008 *G. dentatum*. — Tanasevitch: 123, examined.
MATERIAL EXAMINED. 1 ♂ (ZMMU), DENMARK, Hobro, Fyrkat, 22.VII.2000, leg. K. Mikhailov; 5 ♂♂, 6 ♀♀ (UTA), ISRAEL, south shore of Lake Kinneret near Deganya, 26.IV.2010, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 3 ♂♂ (UTA), same, 30.I.2011, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 2 ♀♀ (UTA), same, 12.II.2010, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 1 ♀ (UTA), 6 km S of Ahusam, Pura (31°29'49"N 34°46'50"E), 24.II.2011, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 7 ♂♂, 6 ♀♀ (UTA), 2 km W of Yeruham, bank of Lake Yeruham (30°59.3'N 34°54'E), *Tamarix* spp. and *Arundo donax*, 450 m a.s.l., pitfall traps, 14.III.2011, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 3 ♂♂ (UTA), same, 3.VIII.2010, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 12 ♂♂ & 17 ♀♀ (UTA), same, 7.III.2011, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 2 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (UTA), Upper Galilee, env. of Lake Hula, 21.II.2011, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 10 ♂♂, 10 ♀♀ (UTA), same, 30.I.2011, leg. C. Drees & L. Friedman; 1 ♂, 6 ♀♀ (CAT), Caucasus, AZERBAIJAN, Lenkoran Distr., Girkanskiy (= Hyrcan)



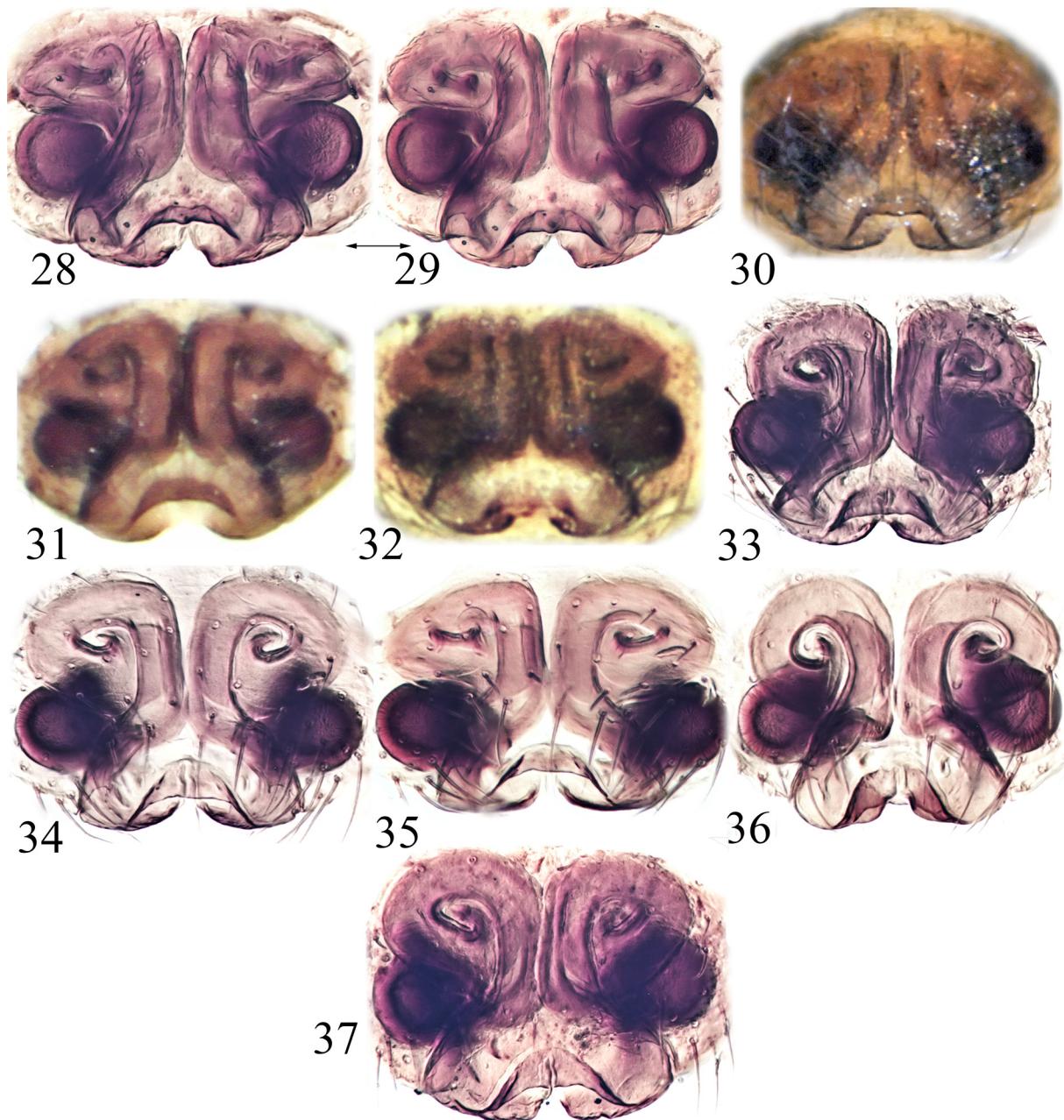
Figs 1–12. Male carapace of *Gnathonarium famelicum* (Keyserling, 1886), type (1), *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885) (2–6) & *G. aff. dentatum* (Wider, 1834) (7–12); 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12 — lateral view, 3, 5, 8, 11 — frontal view. 1 — type from Sitka, Alaska; 2 — specimen from Dalnegorsk, Maritime Prov.; 3, 4 — specimen from Ptich'ya River, Sakhalin; 5, 6 — specimen from Simushir Island, Kurile Islands; 7–10 — specimens from Geysers Valley, Kamchatka; 11, 12 — specimen from Norskij N.R., Amurskaya Area. Not to scale.

Рис. 1–12. Карапакс самца *Gnathonarium famelicum* (Keyserling, 1886), тип (1), *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885) (2–6) & *G. aff. dentatum* (Wider, 1834) (7–12): 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12 — вид сбоку, 3, 5, 8, 11 — вид спереди. 1 — тип из Ситки, Аляска; 2 — экземпляр из Дальнегорска, Приморье; 3, 4 — экземпляр с реки Птичья, Сахалин; 5, 6 — экземпляр с о-ва Симушир, Курильские о-ва; 7–10 — экземпляры из Долины гейзеров, Камчатка; 11, 12 — экземпляр из Норского заповедника, Амурская обл. Не в масштабе.



Figs 13–27. Male left palpal tibia of *Gnathonarium famelicum* (Keyserling, 1886), type (13, 14), *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885) (15–21) & *G. aff. dentatum* (Wider, 1834) (22–27): 13, 14 — type from Sitka, Alaska; 15, 16 — specimens from Ptich'ya River, Sakhalin; 17 — specimen from Simushir Island, Kurile Islands; 18, 19 — specimen from Pugachevo, Sakhalin, different aspects; 20, 21 — specimen from Dalnegorsk, Maritime Prov., different aspects; 22–25 — specimens from Geysers Valley, Kamchatka; 26, 27 — specimen from Norskii N.R., Amurskaya Area, different aspects. Arrows indicate which details belong to the same specimen. Not to scale.

Рис. 13–27. Голень левой пальпы самца *Gnathonarium famelicum* (Keyserling, 1886, тип (13, 14), *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885) (15–21) & *G. aff. dentatum* (Wider, 1834) (22–27): 13, 14 — тип из Ситки, Аляска; 15, 16 — экземпляр с реки Птичья, Сахалин; 17 — экземпляр с о-ва Симушир, Курильские о-ва; 18, 19 — экземпляр из Пугачево, Сахалин, разный аспект; 20, 21 — экземпляр из Дальнегорска, Приморье, разный аспект; 22–25 — экземпляры из Долины гейзеров, Камчатка; 26, 27 — экземпляр из Норского заповедника, Амурская обл., разный аспект. Стрелки указывают на один и тот же экземпляр. Не в масштабе.



Figs 28–37. Epigyna (ventral view) of *Gnathonarium sibirianum* (Keyserling, 1886), type (28, 29) & *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885) (30–37): 28, 29 — type from Commander Islands, different aspects; 30 — specimen from Agattu Island, Aleutian Islands; 31, 32 — specimens from Simushir Island, Kurile Islands; 33 — specimen from Pugachevo, Sakhalin; 34–36 — specimens from Ptich'ya River, Sakhalin; 37 — specimen from Mednyi Island, Commander Islands. Arrows indicate which details belong to the same specimen. Not to scale.

Рис. 28–37. Эпигина (вид снизу) *Gnathonarium sibirianum* (Keyserling, 1886), тип (28, 29) & *G. suppositum* (Kulczyński, 1885) (30–37): 28, 29 — тип с Командорских о-вов, разный аспект; 30 — экземпляр с о-ва Агатту, Алеутские о-ва; 31, 32 — экземпляры с о-ва Симушир, Курильские о-ва; 33 — экземпляр из Пугачево, Сахалин; 34–36 — экземпляры с реки Птичья, Сахалин; 37 — экземпляр с о-ва Медный, Командорские о-ва. Стрелки указывают на один и тот же экземпляр. Не в масштабе.

N.R., near Alexeevka, *Typha* and *Scirpus* thickets, 2.VII.1983, leg. D. Logunov; 1 ♀ (CAT), Kirovsk, 200 m a.s.l., 8.V.1985, leg. P. Dunin; 1 ♂, 2 ♀ (CAT), Caucasus, GEORGIA, Poti, Paleostomi N.R., swamp, *Almus* forest, litter, 12. IV. 1983, leg. S. Golovatch; 1 ♂ (CAT), KAZAKHSTAN, Semipalatinsk Area, ca 8 km NW of Semenovka, 5–9.VI.1998, leg. A. Gromov (**new locality**); 1 ♀ (CAT), KYRGYZSTAN, North Tien Shan, Issyk-Kul Area, flood-

lands of Tyun River, Santash Valley, 3000 m a.s.l., steppe meadow, 23.VII.1983, leg. S. Ovtchinnikov; 7 ♂♂, 7 ♀♀ (CAT), West Tian Shan Mts, Osh Area, Fergansky Mt. Ridge, near Yarodar, 1500 m a.s.l., wet meadow, 10.V.1983, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 15 ♂♂ & ♀♀ (ZMMU), near Osh City, 10.I.1966, leg. unknown; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (ZMMU), UZBEKISTAN, Fergana [=Fargona] Area, Yaz'yavan [= Yozyovon] District, Karakalpak steppe, ca 13 km W of Yaz'yavan

[= Yozoyon], *Populus* forest and reed, 40°39'01"N 71°33'51"E, 19.V.2002, leg. A. Gromov; 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (ZMMU), RUSSIA, Kostroma Area, Manturovo District, near Ugory, 23.VIII.1983, leg. E. Veselova; 5 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀ (CAT), Tyumen' Area, ca 50 km N of Tobolsk, "Missiya" Field Station, 3.VI.2004, leg. L. Rybalov; 8 ♂♂, 10 ♀♀ (CAT), Tyumen Area, Yuganskij nature Reserve, summer, 2000–2003, leg. A. Ryvkin; 3 ♂♂ (ZMMU), Krasnoyarsk Prov., West Sayan, env. of Ermakovskoye, taiga, swamp, *Carex*, *Scirpus*, *Sphagnum*, 21.VII.1984, leg. A. Ryvkin;

G. aff. dentatum (Figs 7–12, 22–27, 49–51, 65–67, 80–94): 50 ♂♂ & ♀♀ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), Kamchatka, Kronotskiy N.R., Geysers Valley, in grass near thermal sources, 30.VIII.1987, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 2 ♀♀ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), Khabarovsk Prov., near Chedgomy, VIII–IX, leg. L. Trilikauskas; 1 ♀, (CAT), Verkhneburinskij District, Ust'-Urgal Nature Park, near Semicha River mouth, 280 m a.s.l., in oyster fungi on dead standing alder trunk, 27.VIII.2009, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), Bureinskij N.R., right side of Levaya Bureya River near mouth of Lan River, 610 m a.s.l., among *Carex* spp. at sandy-argillaceous bank of small puddle near edge of spit, 24.VIII.2010, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), Amurskaya Area, near Belogorsk Tom' River bank, pasture and public beach, sweeping on sparse low grass and bushes, 6.VII.2005, leg. E. Veselova & A. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), Tom' River bank near Belogorsk, pasture and public beach, sweeping on sparse low grass and, 6.VII.2005, leg. E. Veselova & A. Ryvkin; 2 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), Selemdzhinskiy District, Norskiy N.R., Nora River basin near Maltsevskiy cordon, W side of Maltsevskoye Lake, 210 m a.s.l., mosses and litter on swampy lakeside with tussocks of *Carex* spp., Poaceae gen. spp., *Spiraea* sp., *Salix* sp., 1.X.2008, leg. E. Veselova & A. Ryvkin; 2 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (CAT), same, W side of Maltsevskoye Lake, 210 m a.s.l., mosses and litter on swampy lakeside with tussocks of *Carex* spp., Poaceae gen. spp., *Spiraea* sp., *Salix* sp., 1.X.2008, leg. E. Veselova & A. Ryvkin; 1 ♀ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), same, Burunda River, 1 km below Burunda Cordon, mosses (*Plagiommum* sp. etc.) and leaf litter under *Salix* sp. with Poaceae, *Carex* sp., *Filipendula palmata*, *Pyrola* sp., 25.IX.2004, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♀ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), Burunda River near Ozyornyi Rill mouth, 2.X.2004, leg. A. Ryvkin; 2 ♀♀ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*), Selemdzhinskiy District, left bank of Byssa River about 2 km up-stream of Kukuya Rill mouth, 310 m a.s.l., 11.VI.2007, leg. E. Veselova & A. Ryvkin; 2 ♂♂, 6 ♀♀ (ZMMU, as *G. dentatum*), Khinganskiy N.R., near Antonovskoye, forest, in moss, 1.VIII.1981, leg. unknown; 1 ♀ (CAT, as *G. dentatum*) Blagoveschensk, near Verkhneblagoveschensk, 14.V.–4.VIII.1999, leg. V. Dubatolov; 1 ♀ (ZMMU, as *G. dentatum*), Maritime Prov. (= Primorskiy Krai), Khankayskiy District, env. of Turiy Rog, leg. E. Budris; 1 ♂ (ZMMU, as *G. dentatum*), Sikhote-Alin Mts, near Dalnegorsk, 19.VII.1986, leg. B. Zherikhin & V. Gromov; 1 ♀ (ZMMU, as *G. dentatum*), Shanduy, 12.VII.1978, leg. D. Shcherbakov; 3 ♂♂, 6 ♀♀ (ZMMU, as *G. famelicum*), Krasnoyarsk Prov., Nizhnyaya Tun-guska River, near Tura, *Carex* swamp around lake, sweeping, 29.VIII.1982, leg. V. Zherikhin & K. Eskov.

REMARKS. As noted earlier, the *Gnathonarium* samples from the Geysers Valley in Kamchatka, as well as from the adjacent continental territories of the Far East and even from central Siberia, all determined as *G. dentatum* [Eskov, 1992, in part; Eskov & Marusik, 1992; Marusik et al., 1993; Tanasevitch, 2006, 2008; Tanasevitch & Trilikauskas, 2004; Trilikauskas & Tanasevitch, 2006], occupy a position intermediate, as it were, between *G. dentatum* and *G. suppositum*, combining the characters of both species. The shapes of the male carapace and chelicerae from these areas approaches those of *G. suppositum* (cf. Figs 1–6 & Figs 7–12, 49–51), but the male palpal tibia and epigynal structure appear to be more similar to *G. dentatum* (cf. Figs 22–27, 65–67 & Figs 52–64; Figs 68–79 & 80–94).

This observation implies two possible explanations. Either the Siberian and Far Eastern populations of *G. dentatum* vary geographically so as to show a "suppositum"-like shape of the male carapace or central and eastern Siberia, as well as the continental territories of the Far East are areas of the hybridization of these to closely related species.

It is noteworthy that a "suppositum"-like shape of the male carapace is occasionally found in European populations of *G. dentatum* as well (see Fig. 40), but the available data are still too scarce to warrant a more detailed discussion.

DISTRIBUTION. The species is widely distributed at least in the West Palaearctic, occurring also in the mountains of southern Siberia.

Gnathonarium taczanowskii (O. Pickard-Cambridge, 1873)

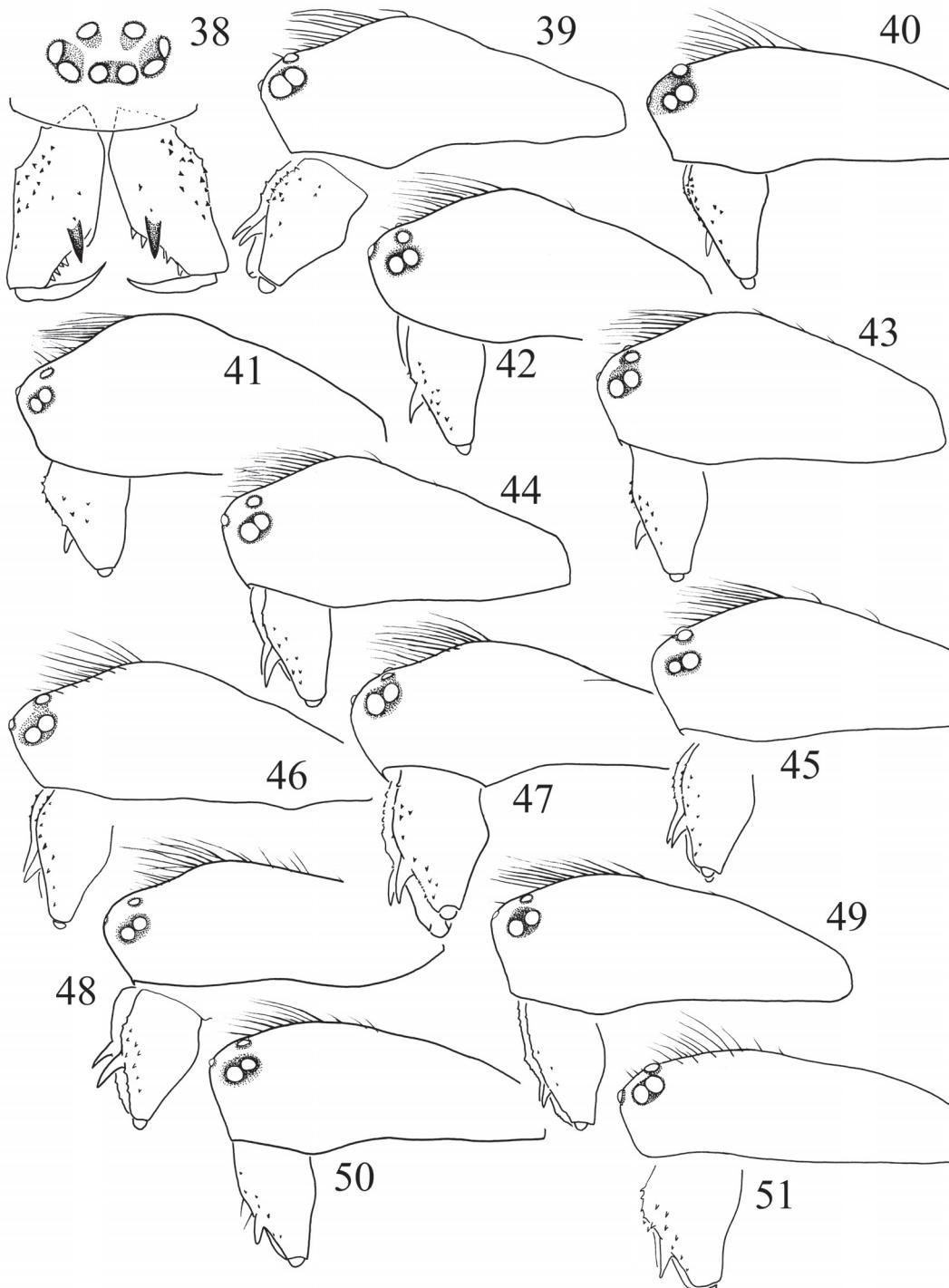
Figs 95–104.

1873 *Erigone taczanowskii* O. Pickard-Cambridge: 443, pl. 41, fig. 10, ♂.

1923 *Gongylidium columbianum* Emerton: 238, figs 2 a–c, ♂, MCZ, type examined, **syn.n.**

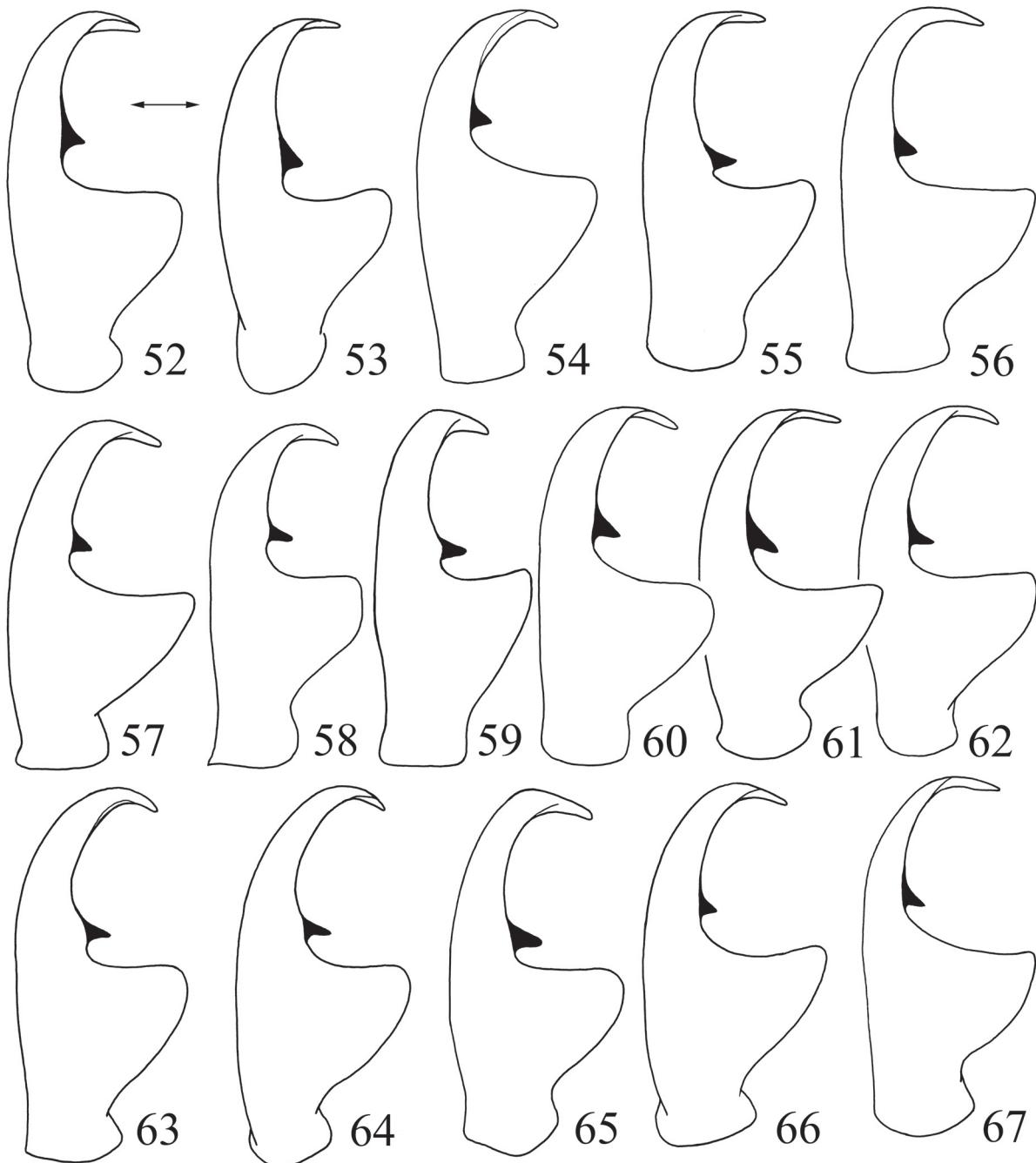
TYPE MATERIAL EXAMINED. *Gongylidium columbianum* Emerton, 1923, 1 ♂, designated here as lectotype, MCZ #20849.

COMPARATIVE MATERIAL EXAMINED. *Gongylidium taczanowskii*: 2 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀, 1 ♂ subad. (CAT, as *G. famelicum*), CANADA, Saskatchewan, Besnard Lake, 55°25'N 106°00'W, rocky beach, under rocks & litter, 27.V.1970, leg. D. Buckle; 5 ♂♂, 6 ♀♀ (CDB, as *G. famelicum*), Alberta, Spray Lakes Reservoir, 50°59'N 115°21'W, shingle beach, 1700 m a.s.l., 19.VII.1990, leg. D. Buckle; 3 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (ZMMU), RUSSIA, Chukotka, environs of Lavrentiya, Chigitun River, IX.1991, N. Vekhov; 11 ♂♂, 14 ♀♀ (CAT), Kamchatka Peninsula, Milkovo, Kamchatka River flow, *Betula* forest, litter, 23–24.VIII.1987, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 4 ♂♂, 5 ♀♀ (CAT), Maritime Prov. (= Primorskiy Krai), Sikhote-Alin' Mts, Dalnegorsk, 19.VII.1986, leg. V. Zherikhin & V. Gromov; 3 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (CAT), Amurskaya Area, Norskiy N.R., left confluent of Nora River, upstream of Mt Gryashchinskaya, true mosses and plant debris, 26.VIII.2004, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♀ (CAT), Norskiy N.R., shingle-clayish right bank of Nora River under rocky denudation at foot of Mt Ostrya, 23.VIII.2004, leg. A. Ryvkin; 3 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (CAT), Burunda River bank, 2.5 km below Burunda Cordon, on soil, in organic debris on wet sand, and in plant debris, 15.IX.2004, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (CAT), same, Burunda River, 1 km below Burunda Cordon, mosses and leaf litter under *Salix* sp. near base of shingle-sandy spit, 25.IX.2004, leg. A. Ryvkin; 3 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (CAT), rill (left confluent of Nora River) upstream of Mt Gryashchinskaya, true mosses and plant debris, 26.VIII.2004, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (CAT), Nora River near Maltsevskiy Cordon, mosses and leaf litter, 2.IX.2004, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (ZMMU), Khinganskiy N.R., near Antonovskoye, forest, in moss, 1.VIII.1981, leg. unknown; 4 ♂♂, 8 ♀♀ (CAT), Khabarovsk Area, Okhotsk, airport, 26.VIII.1985, leg. V. Zherikhin; 2 ♂♂, 10 ♀♀ (CAT), Bureinskij N.R., VII.2005, leg. L. Trilikauskas; ca 60 ♂♂ & ♀♀ (ZMMU), Krasnoyarsk Prov., Evenk Autonomous Region, bank of Taymura River between Neptene and Chambe rivers mouth, 9–13.VIII.1982, leg. K. Eskov; 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (CAT), Kemerovo Area, near Mezhdurechensk, left bank of Usa River (3 km upstream of its mouth), 23.IX.1997, leg. R. Dudko & I. Lyubechansky; 12 ♂♂, 14 ♀♀ (CAT), Tyumen' Area, Polar Urals, Sob' River basin (ca 66°54'N, 65°43'E), environs of Rayiz Mts, VI–VII, 1982–1986, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 1 ♂, 5 ♀♀ (CAT), Altay Republic, Teletskoye Lake, Altayskiy N.R., Lake Chiri, bank of Lake Teletskoye, under stones, 500 m a.s.l., 27.VII.1997, leg. A. Tanasevitch & S. Golovatch (**new record**); ca 20 ♂♂ & ♀♀ (CAT), near Lake Teletskoye, Kebezen', 400–500 m a.s.l., 22.VIII.1998, leg. Veryaskina; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (CAT), KAZAKHSTAN, East Kazakhstan Area, 25 km NE of Ust'-Ka-



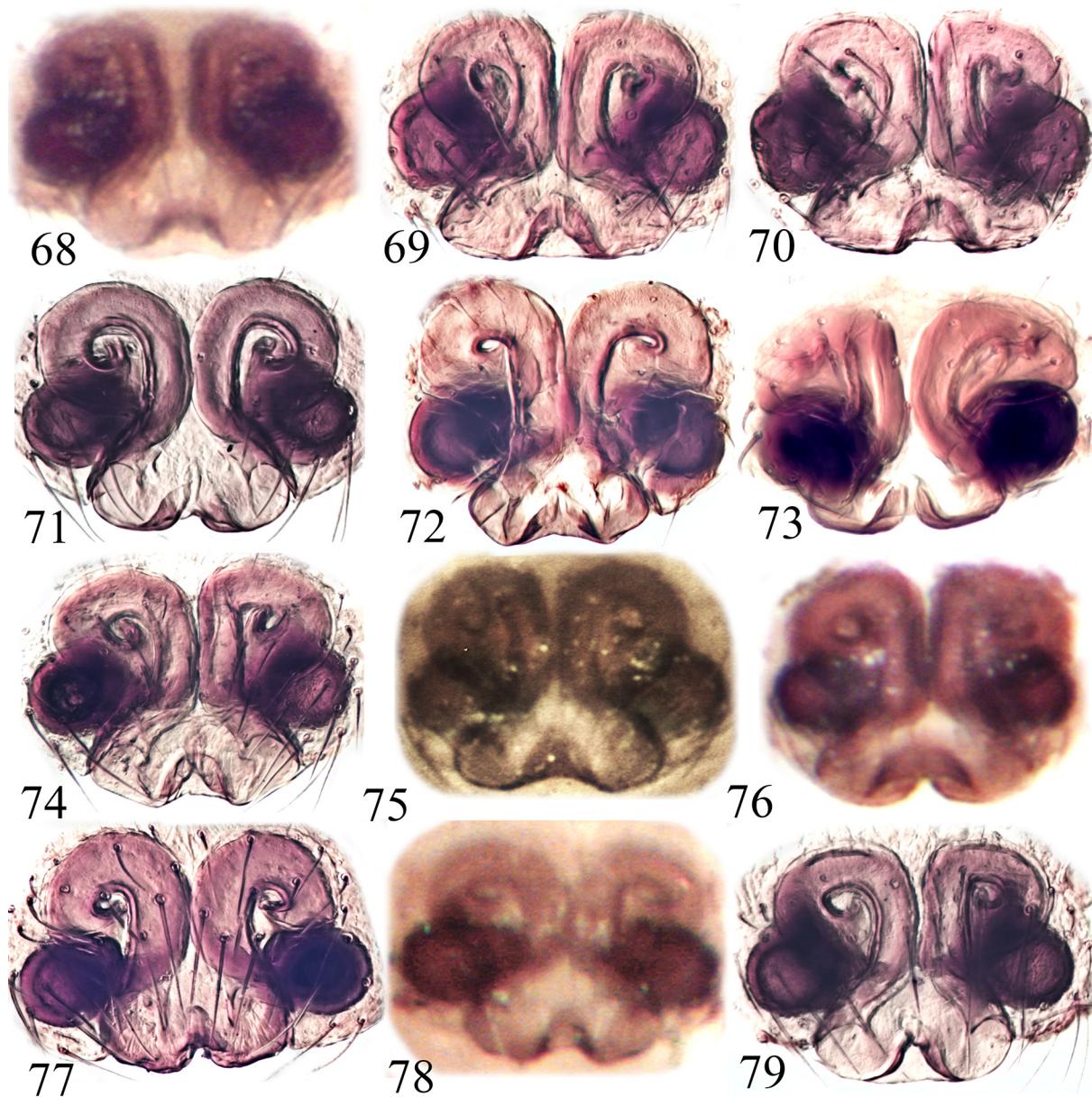
Figs 38–51. Male carapace of *Gnathonarium dentatum* (Wider, 1834) (38–48) & *G. aff. dentatum* (49–51). 38 — frontal view; 39–51 — lateral view: 39 — specimen from Lake Kinneret, Israel; 40 — specimen from Hobro, Denmark; 41 — specimen from Poti, Georgia; 42 — specimen from Alexeevka, Azerbaijan; 43 — specimen from Yarodar, Kyrgyzstan; 44 — specimen from Osh City, Kyrgyzstan; 45 — specimen from Karakalpak steppe, Uzbekistan; 46 — specimen from Semenovka, eastern Kazakhstan; 47 — specimen from Yuganskiy N.R., Tyumen' Area; 48 — specimen from Ermakovskoye, Krasnoyarsk Prov.; 49 — specimen from Tura, Evenkia; 50 — specimen from Khinganskiy N.R., Amurskaya Area; 51 — specimen from Shanduy, Maritime Prov. Not to scale.

Рис. 38–51. Карапакс самца *Gnathonarium dentatum* (Wider, 1834) (38–48) & *G. aff. dentatum* (49–51). 38 — вид спереди; 39–51 — вид сбоку: 39 — экземпляр с оз. Киннерет, Израиль; 40 — экземпляр из Хобро, Дания; 41 — экземпляр из Поти, Грузия; 42 — экземпляр из Алексеевки, Азербайджан; 43 — экземпляр из Яродара, Киргизия; 44 — экземпляр из Ош, Киргизия; 45 — экземпляр из Каракалпакской степи, Узбекистан; 46 — экземпляр из Семеновки, Восточный Казахстан; 47 — экземпляр из Юганского заповедника, Тюменская обл.; 48 — экземпляр из Ермаковское, Красноярский край; 49 — экземпляр из Туры, Эвенкия; 50 — экземпляр из Хинганского заповедника, Амурская обл.; 51 — экземпляр из Шандуй, Приморье. Не в масштабе.



Figs 52–67. Male left palpal tibia of *Gnathonarium dentatum* (Wider, 1834) (52–64) & *G. aff. dentatum* (65–67): 52, 53 — specimen from Hobro, Denmark, different aspects; 54 — specimen from Lake Kinneret, Israel; 55 — specimen from Yuganskiy N.R., Tyumen' Area; 56 — specimen from Semenovka, Kazakhstan; 57 — specimen from Poti, Georgia; 58, 59 — specimen from Alexeevka, Azerbaijan, different aspects; 60 — specimen from Karakalpak steppe, Uzbekistan; 61 — specimen from Osh City, Kyrgyzstan; 62 — specimen from Yarodar, Kyrgyzstan; 63, 64 — specimens from Ermakovskoye, Krasnoyarsk Prov.; 65 — specimen from Tura, Evenkia; 66 — specimen from Shanduy, Maritime Prov.; 67 — specimen from Khinganskiy N.R., Amurskaya Area. Arrows indicate which details belong to the same specimen. Not to scale.

Рис. 52–67. Голень левой пальпы самца *Gnathonarium dentatum* (Wider, 1834) (52–64) & *G. aff. dentatum* (65–67): 52, 53 — экземпляр из Хобро, Дания, разные аспекты; 54 — экземпляр с оз. Киннерет, Израиль; 55 — экземпляр из Юганского заповедника, Тюменская обл.; 56 — экземпляр из Семеновки, Казахстан; 57 — экземпляр из Поти, Грузия; 58, 59 — экземпляр из Алексеевки, Азербайджан, разный аспект; 60 — экземпляр из Каракалпакской степи, Узбекистан; 61 — экземпляр из Ош, Киргизия; 62 — экземпляр из Яродара, Киргизия; 63, 64 — экземпляры из Ермаковское, Красноярский край; 65 — экземпляр из Туры, Эвенкия; 66 — экземпляр из Шандуй, Приморье; 67 — экземпляр из Хинганского заповедника, Амурская обл. Стрелки указывают на один и тот же экземпляр. Не в масштабе.



Figs 68–79. Epigyne (ventral view) of *Gnathonarium dentatum* (Wider, 1834): 68 — specimen from Lake Kinneret, Israel; 69, 70 — specimen from Ugor'ye, Kostroma Area, different aspects; 71 — specimen from Yuganskiy N.R., Tyumen' Area; 72, 73 — specimens from "Missiya", Tyumen' Area; 74 — specimen from Poti, Georgia; 75 — specimen from Alexeevka, Azerbaijan; 76 — specimen from Santash Valley, Kyrgyzstan; 77 — specimen from Koilyu Valley, Kyrgyzstan; 78 — specimen from Osh City, Kyrgyzstan; 79 — specimen from Karakalpak steppe, Uzbekistan. Not to scale.

Figs 68–79. Эпигина (вид снизу) *Gnathonarium dentatum* (Wider, 1834): 68 — экземпляр с оз. Киннерет, Израиль; 69, 70 — экземпляр из Угоры, Костромская обл., разный аспект; 71 — экземпляр из Юганского заповедника, Тюменская обл.; 72, 73 — экземпляры «Миссия», Тюменская обл.; 74 — экземпляр из Поти, Грузия; 75 — экземпляр из Алексеевки, Азербайджан; 76 — экземпляр из ущелья Санташ, Киргизия; 77 — экземпляр из ущелья Коилью, Киргизия; 78 — экземпляр из Ош, Киргизия; 79 — экземпляр из Каракалпакской степи, Узбекистан. Не в масштабе.

menogorsk, Ulba River, Topikha, 300–400 m a.s.l., 11–13.VIII. 1997, leg. R. Dudko & V. Zinchenko (**new record**); 2 ♀♀ (CAT), ca 35 km NNE of Leningorsk, Uba River Valley, 1100 m a.s.l., taiga, 15 & 16.VI.1997, leg. R. Dudko; 3 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (CAT), Samarskoye District, Kaindinskiy Bor, 700–900 m a.s.l., 26–28.VIII.1985, leg. A. Fedorov (**new record**); 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (CAT), Bukhtarma River, mouth of Sarymsakty River, 600 m a.s.l., 1.VIII.1996, leg. R. Dudko & V. Zinchenko (**new record**); 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (CAT), Kalbinskiy Mt. Ridge, upper reaches of Kopirli River,

20 km SSE of Verkhnyaya Tainta, 1200 m a.s.l., 10.V.1999, leg. R. Dudko, V. Zinchenko, I. Lyubechansky; 1 ♀ (CAT), Pavlodar Area, Mayskoye District, Lake Koktas, V.1990, leg. O. Lyakhov (**new record**).

REMARKS. *G. taczanowskii* was originally described from Lake Baikal, Siberia [O. Pickard-Cambridge, 1873], in *Erigone*, and has since been listed under various names [see Platnick, 2013].

An examination of the type of *G. columbianum* Emerton, 1923, described from Terrace, British Columbia, shows that this species is conspecific to *G. taczanowskii* and should be considered as its new subjective junior synonym (**syn.n.**). The synonymy proposed by Eskov [1988: 105], i.e., *G. columbianum* = *G. suppositum*, is wrong.

DISTRIBUTION. The Palaearctic: from the Urals through entire Siberia to Chukotka in the east, Mongolia, Tibet & China in the south; in the Nearctic the easternmost locality is in Manitoba [Benell-Aitchison & Dondale, 1990].

PATTERN. East Palaearctic – Nearctic.

Pelecopsis laptevi Tanasevitch et Fet, 1986

1986 *Pelecopsis laptevi* Tanasevitch & Fet: 35, fig. 2: 1–4, ♂, ZIN, examined.

1989 *P. laptevi*. — Tanasevitch: 145, figs 174–177, ♂ & ♀, examined.

2008 *P. steppensis* Gnelitsa: 137, figs 1 (a–e), 2 (a–b), 3 (a–d), ♂ & ♀, **syn.n.**

2008 *P. laptevi*. — Gnelitsa: 139, figs 1 (f–j), 2 (c–d), 3 (e–h), ♂ & ♀.

2013 *P. laptevi*. — Polchaninova: 91, reference.

TYPE MATERIAL EXAMINED. The types of *Pelecopsis steppensis* Gnelitsa, 2008 are not in ZMMU, although claimed to have been deposited there. *P. laptevi*: holotype ♂ (ZIN), TURKMENISTAN, Plateau Badkhyz, Kepelle Cordon, under *Pistacia*, 18.I.1978, leg. Kh. Atamuradov; paratypes: 1 ♂ (ZIN), same, Kyzyljar Cordon, in litter under *Ephedra*, 27.I.1978, leg. V. Krivokhatsky; 1 ♂ (ZIN), Kopetdagh Mts, Aidere Valley, in litter under *Acer*, 20–30.III.1980, leg. V. Fet.

COMPARATIVE MATERIAL EXAMINED. 20 ♂♂, 10 ♀♀ (CAT), RUSSIA, Rostov Area, northern coast of Taganrog Bay, Azov Sea, Neklinovsky District, Beglitskaya Spit, sandy beach, 30.III.–20.IV.2012, leg. A. Ponomarev; 1 ♀ (CAP), same, steppe vegetation on beach, 1.VII.2010, leg. A. Ponomarev; 1 ♂ (CAP), Azov District, southern coast of Taganrog Bay, Azov Sea, near Stafanidinodar, sandy beach, 17.VI.2010, leg. A. Ponomarev; 3 ♀♀ (CAT), KAZAKHSTAN, Mangistau (= Mangyshlak) Area, Karakiya (= Eraliev) District, Ustyurt Plateau, ca 47 km E of Akkuduk Ruins, Ustyurt N.R., environs of Kendirli Well, ca 42°57'17.4"N 54°41'00.0"E, ca 110 m a.s.l., 21.V.1989, leg. A. Zyuzin; 4 ♂♂, 4 ♀♀ (ZMMU), 3 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀ (SMF 34796), TURKMENISTAN, Mary Area, Serhetabad [= Kushka] District, Badkhyz Plateau, Badkhyz N.R., environs of Kyzyljar Cordon, ca 35°49'31.0"N, 61°50'56.0"E, ca 720 m a.s.l., 17–28.II.1978, leg. V. Krivokhatsky; 1 ♀ (MHNG), IRAN, Khorasan, Emamgholi (37°26'N, 58°30'E), 15.VII.1974, leg. A. Senglet.

REMARKS. This species was originally described from males from Plateau Badkhyz and SW-Kopetdagh Mts, Turkmenistan [Tanasevitch & Fet, 1986]; later the female was described from Turkmenistan as well [Tanasevitch, 1989]. *P. steppensis* was based on two males and two females from the Ukraine, being treated by its author as closely related to *P. laptevi* [Gnelitsa, 2008]. The abundant material studied here shows the absence of any reliable differences that would distinguish *P. steppensis* as a valid species. Small deviations are only observed in the shape of the male carapace and in some parts of the genitalia. Thus, among the European and Turkmenistan populations males can be found showing the sulci either rounded or slightly elongated; with the posterodorsal outgrowth on the cymbium being either straight or slightly inclined. The minute

differences in the membranous distal suprategular apophysis and in the shape of the small tubercle in the proximal part of the radix, etc., they all lie well within the range of individual or populational variation. Such variations are best traceable using abundant material, versus the very small type series (2 ♂♂ & 2 ♀♀) studied by Gnelitsa [2008]. In addition, some of the differences might be imaginary, depending on aspect.

DISTRIBUTION. Southern part of the Russian Plain: Ukrainian steppes and Crimea; Rostov Area in Russia; Ustyurt Plateau in Kazakhstan, Badkhyz Plateau and Kopetdagh Mts in Turkmenistan, as well as Khorasan in Iran.

PATTERN. Sarmato-Turanian.

Wabasso replicatus (Holm, 1950)

1986 *Diplocentria replicata*. — Eskov: 185, examined.

1988 *W. quaestio*. — Eskov: 136, reference.

1992 *W. quaestio*. — Eskov: 80, misidentification, examined.

1998 *W. quaestio*. — Koponen et al.: 116, misidentification, examined.

1994 *W. quaestio*. — Eskov & Marusik: 89, misidentification, examined.

2005 *W. quaestio*. — Tanasevitch: 78, misidentification, examined.

2007 *W. replicatus*. — Tanasevitch & Koponen: 322, examined.

2010 *W. replicatus*. — Tanasevitch & Rybalov: 49, examined.

MATERIAL EXAMINED. 1 ♂ (CAT), RUSSIA, Murmansk Area, Kola Peninsula, Teriberka, *Carex-Sphagnum-Eriophorum* bog with *Salix* sp. stands, *Comarum palustre*, 6.VII.2008, leg. L. Rybalov & V. Semenov; 2 ♀♀ (CAT), same, *Carex-Sphagnum-Eriophorum* bog with *Salix* sp. stands, 4–6.VIII.2009, leg. V. Piryugin; 5 ♀♀ (CAT), Arkhangelsk Area, Nenets Autonomous Region, Bolshezemelskaya Tundra, Shapkina River (ca 67°49'N, 56°08"E), bog on lake bank, in *Sphagnum*, 15.VII.1984, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 4 ♂♂, 7 ♀♀ (CAT), Tyumen' Area, environs of Noyabrsky, *Salix* bushes along brook, litter, 15.VIII.2000, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (ZMMU), Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous Region, Yamal Peninsula, environs of Shchyuchye, swamp, in *Polytrichum*, VIII.1980, leg. A. Tikhomirova & E. Veselova; 2 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀ (CAT), Krasnoyarsk Prov., Tsentralno-Sibirskiy N.R., Yuzhnyi Cordon, 2.X.1994, leg. A. Ushakov; 1 ♂ (CAT), Tsentralno-Sibirskiy N.R., Birobchana River, 3.VII.1988, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (ZMMU), Evenk Autonomous Region, Birobchana River flow, 5.VII.1988, leg. A. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (ZMMU), Tuva Republic, Azas N.R., 1.VI.1990, leg. A. Ryvkin.

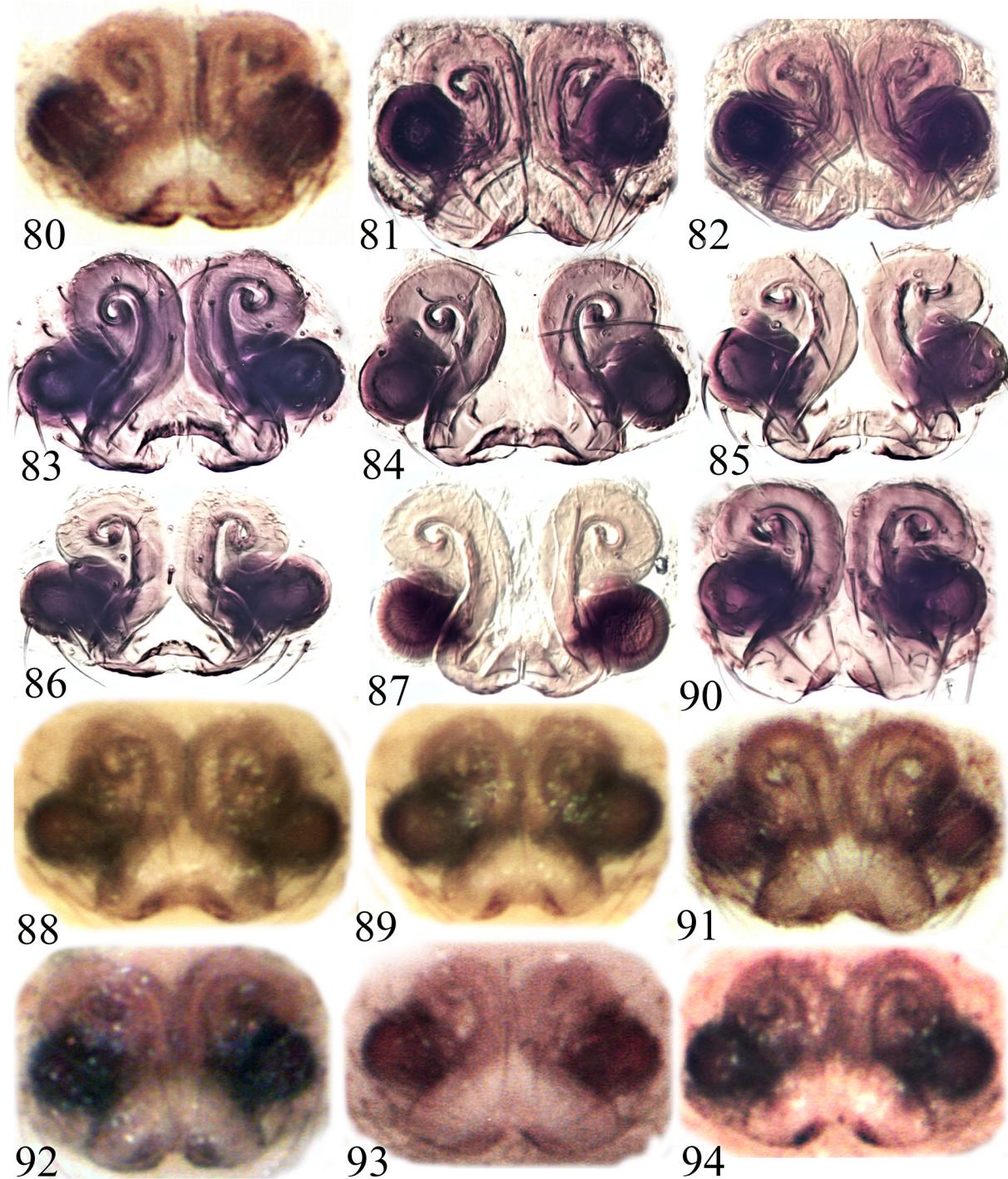
REMARKS. After Merrett & Dawson [2005] re-validated *Wabasso replicatus* (Holm, 1950), we have checked all available material of *W. quaestio* (Chamberlin, 1949) from the Euro-Siberian region deposited in ZMMU and CAT. As a result, all of them actually refer to *W. replicatus*. Therefore, *W. quaestio* seems to be restricted to the eastern Nearctic, without any reliable records in the Palaearctic.

DISTRIBUTION. Europe: Great Britain, Iceland, Fennoscandia, European tundra; Siberia: southern Yaman Peninsula, west, central and south (Tuva & Sayan) Siberia.

PATTERN. Euro-Siberian.

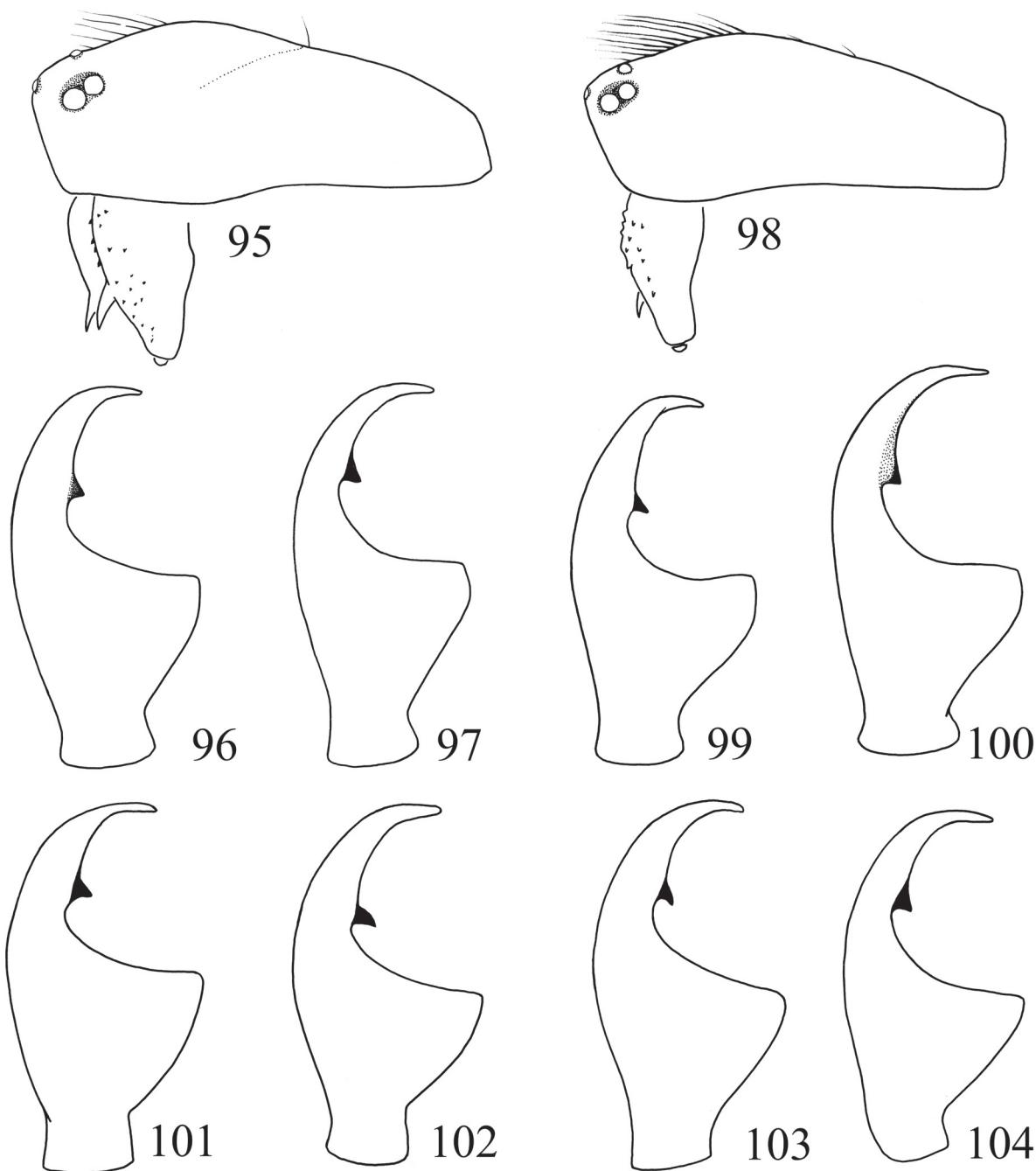
Agyneta birulaeoides Wunderlich, 1995

TYPE MATERIAL EXAMINED. Museum labels: *Meioneta birulaeoides*, 1 ♂ paratype, SMF 60191, MONGOLIA, Dundgovi, Mittelgobi Aimak, Choot bulag, between Somon Chuld and Somon



Figs 80–94. Epigyne (ventral view) of *Gnathonarium* aff. *dentatum* (Wider, 1834): 80 — specimen from Tura, Evenkia; 81, 82 — specimens from Turyj Rog, Maritime Prov.; 83–89 — specimens from Geysers Valley, Kamchatka; 90 — specimen from Blagoveshchensk, Amurskaya Area; 91 — specimen from Khinganskiy N.R., Amurskaya Area; 92 — specimen from Byssa River, Amurskaya Area; 93, 94 — specimens from Chegdomyn, Khabarovsk Prov. Not to scale.

Рис. 80–94. Эпигина (вид снизу) *Gnathonarium* aff. *dentatum* (Wider, 1834): 80 — экземпляр из Туры, Эвенкия; 81, 82 — экземпляры из Турыгого Рога, Приморье; 83–89 — экземпляры из Долины гейзеров, Камчатка; 90 — экземпляр из Благовещенска, Амурская обл.; 91 — экземпляр из Хинганского заповедника, Амурская обл.; 92 — экземпляр с реки Бысса, Амурская обл.; 93, 94 — экземпляры из Чегдомына, Хабаровский край. Не в масштабе.



Figs 95–104. Male carapace and male left palpal tibia of *Gnathonarium columbianum* (Emerton, 1923), type (95–97) & *G. taczanowskii* (O. Pickard-Cambridge, 1873) (98–104): 95, 98 — carapace, lateral view; 96, 97, 99–104 — palpal tibia, dorsal view; 95–97 — type from Terrace, British Columbia; 98, 102 — specimen from Norskij N.R., Amurskaya Area; 99, 100 — specimens from Lake Besnard, Saskatchewan; 101 — specimen from Lavrentiya, Chukotka; 103 — specimen from Dalnegorsk, Maritime Prov.; 104 — specimen from Taymura River, Evenkia. Arrows indicate which details belong to the same specimen. Not to scale.

Рис. 95–104. Карапакс и голень левой пальпы самца *Gnathonarium columbianum* (Emerton, 1923), тип (95–97) & *G. taczanowskii* (O. Pickard-Cambridge, 1873) (98–104): 95, 98 — карапакс, вид сбоку; 96, 97, 99–104 — голень пальпы, вид сверху; 95–97 — тип из Террас, Британская Колумбия; 98, 102 — экземпляр из Норского заповедника, Амурская обл.; 99, 100 — экземпляр с оз. Беснард, Саскачеван; 101 — экземпляр из Лаврентия, Чукотка; 103 — экземпляр из Дальнегорска, Приморье; 104 — экземпляр с реки Таймура, Эвенкия. Стрелки указывают на один и тот же экземпляр. Не в масштабе.

Delgerchangaj, 38 km ENE of Delgerchangaj, 1480 m a.s.l., 10.VI.–12.VII.1967, leg. Z. Kaszab, det. J. Wunderlich; 5 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀ paratypes, SMF 60193, MONGOLIA, Tov, Central Aimak, Bogdo ul, Bugijn az achuj, 1650 m a.s.l., leg. Z. Kaszab, 10.VI.1968, det. J. Wunderlich.

MATERIAL EXAMINED. 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (ZMMU), UKRAINE, Kherson Area, Golaya Pristan District, Chernomorskiy N.R., Ivano-Rybalkanskiy area, Rybachie, salina, 11.V.1999, leg. Prokopenko; 1 ♀ (ZMMU), same, Solyonoozerskiy area, environs of Geroyskoye, sandy steppe with low herbs, 14.IV.1985, leg. N. Polchaninova; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (CAT), KAZAKHSTAN, South Kazakhstan Area, Almaty Area, Karatal District, 35 km NW of 3rd Lake Ushkol (=Lake Shorayakkol), ca 46°08'03.2"N 77°40'45.0"E, sandy desert ("Zhamanzhal Sands"), from rodent burrows, 30.VII.1988, leg. A. Zyuzin, M. Zarko & Ch. Tarabaev (**all new localities**). Earlier identifications of *Agyнета birulaoides*: ♂♂ & ♀♀ (ZMMU): RUSSIA, Tuva Republic, 3–5 km N of Kyzyl, 650–900 m a.s.l., 51°46'N 94°27'E, 20.05–21.IX.1989, leg. D. Logunov; NE bank of Lake Ubsunur, 50°40'N 92°58'E, 760 m a.s.l., 12.VI.1989, D. Logunov; Sangleen Mt. Ridge, upper reaches of Dzhen-Aryk, 50°28'N 95°24'E, 1750–2030 m a.s.l., 16–18.07.1996, leg. Yu. Marusik.

REMARKS. *A. birulaoides* Wunderlich, 1995 was described from both sexes from the mountainous regions of Middle Gobi, Mongolia [Wunderlich, 1995], later found in Tuva as well [Logunov et al., 1998]. A comparison of the samples of *A. birulaoides* deriving both from the Kherson steppes, Ukraine and a cis-Balkhash sand desert with the types of *A. birulaoides* from the Gobi of Mongolia shows their conspecificity. *A. birulaoides* is a nice example of the so called Scythian distribution pattern [Kryzhanovsky, 2002], i.e. the Eurasian steppe belt ranging from the Ukraine in the west to Lake Balkhash, Tuva and Mongolia's Gobi in the east. The species is being reported here as new to the Ukrainian fauna.

Porrhomma boreale (Banks, 1899)
Figs 105–116.

1899 *Gongylidium borealis* Banks: 347, fig. 1, ♂ & ♀.

1970 *Porrhomma nunamo* Holm: 194, figs 12–15, ♂ & ♀, NHRS, type examined.

1974 *P. kulczynskii* Staręga: 22, figs 7, 8, photo 3, ♀, **syn.n.**

TYPE MATERIAL. The type of *Porrhomma kulczynskii* Staręga, 1974 has not been re-examined, being absent from the MIZ collection in Warsaw, Poland. *Porrhomma nunamo* Holm, 1970, NHRS-GULI 000000244, 1 ♂ paratype, Siberia, St. Lawrence Bay, Nunamo, 27/7 1879, Vega-Exp., coll. #1045, det. Å. Holm.

COMPARATIVE MATERIAL EXAMINED. Earlier identifications of *Porrhomma kulczynskii*: 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (CAT), RUSSIA, Maritime Prov. (= Primorskiy Krai), Ussuriysk District, Ussuriyskiy N.R., *Quercus* & *Pinus sibirica* forest, 12.VII.1977, leg. G. Kurcheva & E. Mikhaljova; 1 ♀ (CAT), Amurskaya Area, Selemdzhinsk District, Byssa River basin NW of "Tyoplyi Klyuch" spa, *Salix* & *Alnus* forest, in moss and litter, 21.VI.2007, leg. E. Veselova & A. Ryvkin (**new locality**); 4 ♂♂ (CAT), Khabarovsk Prov., Bureinskij N.R., 22.VII.2005, leg. L. Trilikauskas (**new locality**). *Porrhomma boreale*: 1 ♂, 3 ♀♀ (CAT), Komi Republic, Vorkuta District, environs of Khalmer-Yu, brook channel, under stones, 13–16.VIII.1984, leg. A. Tanasevitch; 1 ♀ (CAT), Tyumen' Area, Polar Urals, 10 km NNW of Kharp, bank of Sob' River, under stones, 3.VIII.1981, leg. A. Tanasevitch (**new locality**); 1 ♀ (ZMMU, as *P. convexum*), Krasnoyarsk Prov., middle flow Yenisei River, near Mirnoye, willow shrub formation on river bank, litter, 18.VI.1978, leg. K. Eskov; 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (CAT), Altay Mts, Altayskiy Krai, Charysh Distr., confluence of Inya & Belogolosov Korgon rivers, 50°57'–59°N 83°39'–40"E, 2000–2250 m a.s.l., 27–28.VI.2011, leg. R. Dudko (**new locality**).

REMARKS. *P. kulczynskii* was originally described by two females from Zaisan, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Staręga [1974], among others, compared this species to *P. nunamo* Holm, 1970 [= *P. boreale*]. Amongst the differences from *P. nunamo*, he noted: "... large, distinctly colored eyes, the absence of the long hairs on cephalothorax, as well as the absence of a dorsal spine on femora I". The size of the eyes and the ocular pigmentation vary indeed, albeit insignificantly, whereas the head and face are pubescent only in the male. Examination of the type and comparative material of *P. boreale* and its comparison with the figures and original description of *P. kulczynskii* shows that both these species are conspecific. Therefore, the latter taxon is to be regarded as a new subjective junior synonym of *P. boreale*, **syn.n.** The absence of a dorsal spine on FeI in *P. kulczynskii* is most likely secondary, as a dorsal spine or spines are present, if not broken-off, in most of the species of *Porrhomma* Simon, 1884.

In contrast to the numerous *Porrhomma* species barely distinguishable by the shape of the epigyne, the female of *P. boreale* differs well from the other congeners in the peculiar structure of the vulva, i.e. elongated spiral receptacles which bases give rise to thin secondary vermiform receptacula, the latter embracing like snakes the middle parts of the former. The shape and pubescence of the head of the male carapace are very similar to those in *P. magnum* Tanasevitch, 2012, this latter species being distributed in the mountains of southern Siberia [Tanasevitch, 2012].

DISTRIBUTION. Polar Urals, western, central, southern and eastern Siberia, northern Mongolia, and Russian Far East in the Palaearctic; Alaska in the Nearctic.

PATTERN. Siberian–Alaskan.

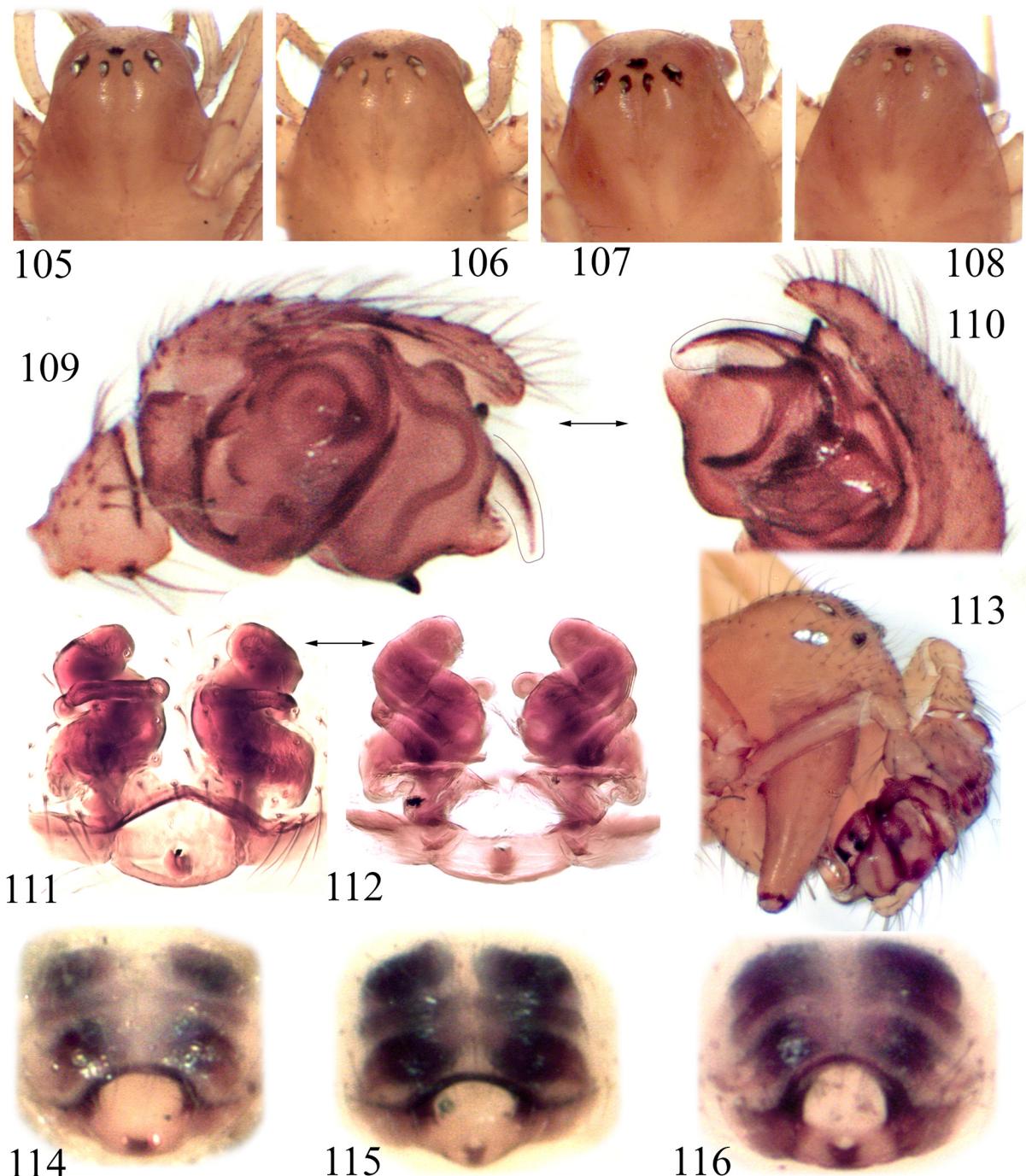
Sibirocyba incerta (Kulczyński, 1916)

1955 *Tapinocyba incerta*. — Tullgren: 374, figs 75 a–b, ♀, misidentification.

REMARKS. Tullgren [1955] provided drawings of the epigyne of *Tapinocyba incerta* Kulczyński, 1916, a species claimed to be new to the Swedish fauna. In fact those illustrations depict the West Palaearctic *Tapinocyboidea pygmaeus* (Menge, 1869). Hence, the range of *T. incerta*, now *Sibirocyba incerta*, is to be considered as Siberian, ranging from the Polar Urals throughout Siberia to Chukotka in the east, and to southern Siberia (Tuva) in the south.

Tibioploides stigmatus (Xia, Zhang, Gao, Fei et Kim, 2001)

MATERIAL EXAMINED. 2 ♀♀ (ZMMU, as *Tibioploides* sp.n.), Iturup Isl., Dobroye Nachalo Gulf, mixed forest, 13–14.VIII.1994, leg. K. Eskov; 1 ♂, 5 ♀♀ (ZMMU, as *Tibioploides* sp.), southern Kurile Islands, Kunashir Island, Lake Olicher, mixed forest, 31.VIII.1994, leg. K. Eskov, KU-4; 1 ♀ (ZMMU), near Yuzhno-Kurilsk, Picea forest, bog, 1.VIII.1994, leg. K. Eskov, KU-9; 2 ♀♀ (ZMMU, as *Tibioploides* sp.n.), Shikotan Isl., Svobodnaya River, mountain forest of *Abies* & *Betula* forest, 8.VIII.1994, leg. K. Eskov, SH-34.



Figs 105–116. *Porrhomma boreale* (Banks, 1899): 105–108 — head part of female carapace, dorsal view; 109, 110 — male right palp, retrolateral & prolateral views, relatively; 111, 112 — vulva, ventral & dorsal views, relatively; 113 — head part of male carapace, lateral view; 114–116 — epigyne, ventral view; 105, 106, 111, 112 — specimens from Bureinskiy N.R., Khabarovsk Prov.; 107, 108, 115 — specimens from Ussuriyskiy N.R., Maritime Prov.; 109, 110, 114 — specimens from Polar Urals, Tyumen' Area; 113, 116 — specimens from Inya River, Altai Mts. Arrows indicate which details belong to the same specimen. Not to scale.

Рис. 105–116. Детали строения *Porrhomma boreale* (Banks, 1899): 105–108 — головная часть карапакса самки, вид сверху; 109, 110 — правая пальпа самца, ретролатерально и пролатерально, соответственно; 111, 112 — эндогина, вентрально и дорзально, соответственно; 113 — головная часть карапакса самца, вид сбоку; 114–116 — эпигина, вид снизу; 105, 106, 111, 112 — экземпляры из Буреинского заповедника, Хабаровский край; 107, 108, 115 — экземпляры из Уссурийского заповедника, Приморье; 109, 110, 114 — экземпляры с Полярного Урала, Тюменская обл.; 113, 116 — экземпляры с реки Иня, Алтайские горы. Стрелки указывают на один и тот же экземпляр. Не в масштабе.

COMPARATIVE MATERIAL EXAMINED. 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (SMF), China, Qinghai Prov., Bei Shan National Park, 120 km NE Xining, 2300–2700 m a.s.l., 23.V.–8.VI.1996, leg. J. Martens.

REMARKS. This species has hitherto been known from Qinghai and Gansu provinces, China [Tanasevitch, 2006], being new to the Russian fauna.

Mecynargus minutipalpis Gnelitsa, 2011

1984 *Mecynargus longus*. — Minoransky & Ponomarev: 84, misidentification, examined.

1984 *M. longus*. — Ponomarev & Minoransky: 234, misidentification, reference.

1988 *M. longus*. — Ponomarev: 55, misidentification, reference.
2011 *M. minutipalpis* Gnelitsa: 65, ♂ & ♀.

MATERIAL EXAMINED. 3 ♀♀ (CAP, #40.18.1/2), RUSSIA, Kalmyk Republic, Chernozemelskiy Distr., 40 km S of Komsomolskiy, near Rybachiy, bank of salt lake, 16.VI.1974; 1 ♀ (CAP, #40.18.1/1), same, near Rybachiy, bank of Kuma River, 20.VI.1974; 1 ♀ (CAP, #40.18.1/3), same, near Rybachiy, VI.1974, all leg. A. Ponomarev; 1 ♀ (CAP, #40.18.1/4), 23 km N of Kaspispiyskiy, near Djalykovo, from burrow of small ground squirrel (*Spermophilus pygmaeus*), 10.VII.1975, leg. V. Kuznetsova.

REMARKS. *Mecynargus minutipalpis* has recently been described from the Kherson Area and Crimea, both Ukraine. Previously, this species was erroneously referred to from the Kalmyk Republic, Russia as *M. longus* (Kulczyński, 1882) [Minoransky & Ponomarev, 1984; Ponomarev & Minoransky, 1984; Ponomarev, 1988]. The species is new to the Russian fauna.

Bathyphantes similis Kulczyński, 1894

1995 *Bathyphantes similis*. — Esyunin et al.: 53, misidentification, examined.

2007 *B. similis*. — Esyunin et al.: 46, misidentification, examined.

MATERIAL EXAMINED. *Bathyphantes gracilis*: 1 ♀ (PSU, #18560, as *B. similis*), RUSSIA, Orenburg Area, near Sol'-Iletskiy, 20.VIII.2001, leg. S. Esyunin; 2 ♀♀ (PSU, #5833, as *B. similis*), Perm Area, Kungur Distr., near Erchach, meadow, IX.1968, leg. Panova; 2 ♂♂, 8 ♀♀ (PSU, #1861, as *B. similis*), Perm Area, near Lake Dolgoye, swamp, 15.VIII.–21.IX.1991, leg. V. Kuzminykh; 2 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀ (PSU, #4009, as *B. similis*), Tyumen' Area, Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous Region, S of Yamal Peninsula, Khadyta-Yakha River flow, floodland meadow, 25.VI.1979, leg. S. Esyunin.

COMPARATIVE MATERIAL EXAMINED. *Bathyphantes similis*: 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (MHNG), SUISSE, Vaud, Grotte du Ruisseau, 8, 3.XI.1984, leg. V. Aellen & P. Strinati, det. K. Thaler; 3 ♀♀ (MHNG), same, 3.XI.1984, leg. P. Strinati & V. Aellen, det. K. Thaler; 2 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (MHNG), Grotte du Poits de Vaulion, VD, 31–7.10.1986, leg. P. Strinati, det. K. Thaler.

REMARKS. All Russian records of *B. similis* from the Urals [Esyunin et al., 1995] and Orenburg Area [Esyunin et al., 2007] are misidentifications and refer to *B. gracilis*. As a result, the species has not been reliably documented from Russia.

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