Notes on Oriental Lamiini  
(Coleoptera: Cerambycidae: Lamiinae)  
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Longhorned beetles of the Tribe Lamiini have evolved into approximately 180 genera in South East Asia and nearby regions. Many genera and species are poorly-known and some taxa are still undescribed. As a prelude to a checklist and further studies of this group, the authors propose some taxonomic changes and provide corrections to previous literature.

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Perihammus Aurivillius, 1923:457 (type species: Perihammus bifasciatus (Aurivillius)) and Parablepephaeus Breuning, 1980:171 (type species: Pharsalia mindanaonis (Schultze)) are synonyms of Blepephaeus Pascoe, 1866:291 (type species: Monohammus succinctor (Chevrolat)), new synonyms. Blepephaeus nepalensis (Hayashi, 1981:13), Blepephaeus fuscomaculatus (Breuning, 1948:11), Blepephaeus mausoni (Breuning, 1947:10), Blepephaeus multinotatus (Pic, 1925:18), Blepephaeus infelix (Pascoe, 1856:48), Blepephaeus lemoulti (Breuning, 1938:33) and Blepephaeus mindanaonis (Schultze, 1920:197) become new combinations.

According to C. Holzschuh (pers. comm.), the type of Perihammus fuscomaculatus Breuning, 1948:11 in the Bruxelles Museum is the same species as Blepephaeus succinctor (Chevrolat, 1852:417), new synonymy.


Cereopsius sexmaculatus immaculithorax Breuning, 1974:238 is not considered a valid subspecies of Cereopsius sexmaculatus Aurivillius, 1907:108, since it is just a species with variable markings, new synonymy.

Breuning (1968) placed Cyriepepeotes Breuning, 1963:17 (type species: Cyriepepeotes grossepunctatus Breuning) as a synonym of Crucihammus Breuning, 1936:295 (type species: Crucihammus subcruciatus Breuning). Subsequently, in the monograph on Laotian Lamiinae (Rondon and Breuning, 1970), this generic synonymy is not listed, but the appropriate combination of Crucihammus grossepunctatus Breuning as a Laotian species is given. Later (1975), the description of Cyriepepeotes wittmeri Breuning, 1975:342 appears ("Cyriepepotees" is used in the paper's abstract, and "Cyriepepotees" appears before the actual description). First, Cyriepepeotes Breuning, 1975:342 is an incorrect subsequent spelling of Cyriepepeotes. Second, Cyriepepeotes must remain a synonym of Crucihammus, as Breuning proposed in 1968. However, according to C. Holzschuh (pers. comm.), who examined the type of Cyriepepeotes wittmeri Breuning (Basel Museum), it is the same species as Blepephaeus ocellatus (Gahan, 1888:262), new synonymy.


Epepeotes lateralis (Guérin-Méneville, 1831:68) is revalidated. Epepeotes spinosus (Thomson, 1857:179) is a synonym of this species.
In Lingafelter and Hoebeke (2002), Plate 19 (h, i) are both variants of Dolichoprosopus lethalis maculatus Ritsema (S. Lingafelter, pers. comm.). However, the status of D. lethalis Pascoe and the validity of its two described subspecies should be reviewed after more material is studied from the islands around Halmahera and eastern New Guinea.

C. Holzschuh (pers. comm.) states that the holotype of Melanauster granulipennis Breuning, 1938:52, was examined in the British Museum, London, and is synonymous with Monochamus guerryi Pic, 1903:121, new synonymy. Therefore it was incorrectly synonymized with Anoplophora beryllina (Hope, 1840:79) in Lingafelter and Hoebeke (2002).


Numerous errors exist in Breuning’s Catalogues of Lamiinae, including misspellings, incorrect years and page citations. One error is in the 5th part of the catalogue (Breuning, 1961b, pg. 347), where the genus name Triammatus was omitted. It appears that the six species in this genus (T. saundersi Chevrolat, T. chevrolati Pascoe, T. tristis Pascoe, T. subinermis Breuning, T. waigeuensis Gilmour and T. brunneus Breuning) belong to the genus Combe Thomson. Makihara (1999) followed Breuning’s catalogue and incorrectly listed Combe chevrolati (Pascoe) in his survey of Cerambycidae from East Kalimantan. Breuning (1967b) did list Triammatus in the generic index for his catalogues, however.

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