The Small Insect Orders on TaxonWorks

Current Status and Future Goals

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The Small Insect Orders (most Polyneoptera and some Paraneoptera)

8 orders:

- Dermaptera
 - +TP
- Embioptera
 - +TP
- Grylloblattodea
 - +TP
- Mantophasmatodea
 - +TP
- †Permopsocida
- Plecoptera
 - +TP
- o Psocodea
- +TP
- Zoraptera
 - +TP



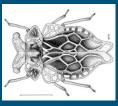








- 1 suborder: Coleorrhyncha
 - +TP



- 1 order minus a superfamily: Cockroach
 - +TP
- 1 superfamily: Isoptera
 - +TP







Cockroach Species File



Current status:

- 5027 valid species names (including a small number of fossil taxa)
- Recent taxonomic literature entered through 10/31/2022
- o 810 species images

Near-term goals:

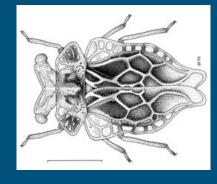
- Enter 2023 taxonomic literature
- Upload photographs of holotypes of 242 species taken on recent trip to Australia.

Long-term goals:

- Combine with Isoptera SF -> Blattodea SF
- Begin entry of taxonomic histories for each species
- Check distributions for all species
- Complete entry of extinct species



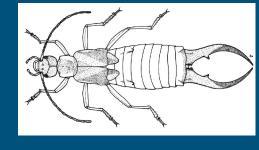
Coleorrhyncha Species File



- Current status:
 - 115 valid names (including fossil taxa)
 - Recent taxonomic literature entered through the current date
 - o 0 species images
- Near-term goals:
 - Search for and upload holotype depictions
- Long-term goals:
 - Check level of completion of taxonomic histories
 - Enter distributions for all species



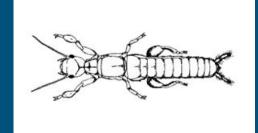
Dermaptera Species File



- Current status:
 - 2056 valid species names (including fossil taxa)
 - Recent taxonomic literature entered through the current date
 - 0 species images
- Near-term goals:
 - Enter Dermaptera catalog(s)
 - Enter missing taxonomic literature prior to 2016
- Long-term goals:
 - Search for and upload holotype depictions
 - Check level of completion of taxonomic histories
 - Enter distributions for all species



Embioptera Species File



- Current status:
 - 462 valid species names (including fossil taxa)
 - Recent taxonomic literature entered through the current date
 - o 0 species images
- Near-term goals:
 - Search for and upload holotype depictions
- Long-term goals:
 - Check level of completion of taxonomic histories
 - Enter distributions for all species



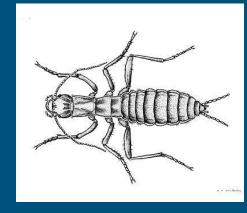
Grylloblattodea Species File



- 584 valid species names (including fossil taxa)
- Recent taxonomic literature entered through the current date
- o 0 species images

Near-term goals:

- Search for and upload holotype depictions
- Long-term goals:
 - Check level of completion of taxonomic histories
 - Enter distributions for all species





Isoptera Species File

Current status:

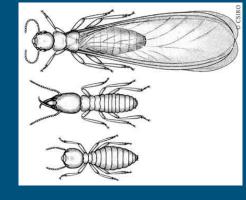
- 3182 valid species names (including fossil taxa)
- Recent taxonomic literature entered through 10/31/2022
- Distribution records nearly complete
- 0 species images

Near-term goals:

- o Enter 2023 taxonomic literature
- Complete distributions
- Search for and upload holotype depictions

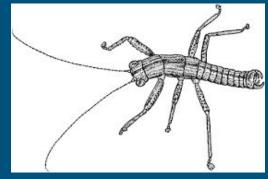
Long-term goals:

Enter taxonomic histories





Mantophasmatodea Species File



- Current status:
 - 27 valid species names (including fossil taxa)
 - Recent taxonomic literature entered through the current date
 - Taxonomic histories are complete
 - o 0 species images
- Near-term goals:
 - Search for and upload holotype depictions
- Long-term goals:
 - Enter distributions for all species



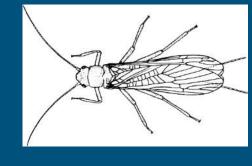
†Permopsocida Species File



- Current status:
 - 39 fossil species names
 - Recent taxonomic literature entered through the current date
 - o 0 species images
- Near-term goals:
 - Search for and upload holotype depictions



Plecoptera Species File



Current status:

- 4377 valid species names (including fossil taxa)
- Most of the recent taxonomic literature entered through the current date
- Distribution records complete, though some migration issues still being worked out
- Taxonomic histories are complete
- 0 species images

Near-term goals:

- Check recent taxonomic literature for missing papers
- Search for and upload holotype depictions

Long-term goals:

• Check taxonomic histories for completeness



Psocodea Species File



Current status:

- 11926 valid species names (including fossil taxa)
- Push to incorporate Phthiraptera recently completed
- Recent taxonomic literature entered through 10/31/2022
- Taxonomic histories at an intermediate state of completion
- o 0 species images

Near-term goals:

- o Enter 2023 taxonomic literature
- Search for and upload holotype depictions

Long-term goals:

- Enter biological associations (host species)
- Enter distributions for all species
- Complete taxonomic histories



Zoraptera Species File



- Current status:
 - 62 valid species names (including fossil taxa)
 - Recent taxonomic literature entered through the current date
 - o Taxonomic histories are believed to be complete
 - o 0 species images
- Near-term goals:
 - Search for and upload holotype depictions
- Long-term goals:
 - Enter distributions for all species
 - Check completion of taxonomic histories



TaxonPages

- Current status:
 - All 10 associated TaxonPages are live.
- Near-term goals:
 - o Complete gallery banners for 9 TaxonPages.



To Assist the Effort

- Please keep the small insect orders in mind when it comes to:
 - Pdfs of any published papers on any of these orders, especially those that are rare, hard to find, or that we have missed
 - Your photographs/drawings, identified to species, of any species in any of these orders
 - Your spare time, if you want to join the data input effort on the followings orders:
 - Cockroach
 - Dermaptera
 - Isoptera
 - Psocodea
- To get involved in the small insect orders:
 - Reach out through any small order TaxonPage, ie: https://zoraptera.speciesfile.org/
 - Send papers/images to cockroachdoc@gmail.com



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