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Review of subfamily: Xyleninae of Egypt (Lepidoptera, Noctuidae)

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ABSTRACT

Based on material from the main reference collections in Egypt, light traps collections, National museums and other references, 44 species in 6 tribes (Apameini, Caradrinini, Cosmiini, Phlogophorini, Prodeniini and Xylenini) and 21 genera were listed. Some further taxonomic changes were proposed. Taxonomic position, synonyms and types are included and photographs for available species are provided. This subfamily according to the new taxonomy of Noctuidae and it is the first time to review in Egypt.

Important Note: For correction in the last paper by Abdelfattah Mabrouk Amer Salem and Ashraf M. El Torkey (2017), we have mentioned that *Spodoptera exempta* are exist in Egypt according to Haggis (1986), but when we revised the paper we found that she didn't mention that collect any specimens or recorded any specimens from anywhere in Egypt, so, we exclude them from the paper because of we didn't find any specimens and any records from anywhere in Egypt, so that *Spodoptera exempta* are not recorded completely and not exist in Egypt.

INTRODUCTION

Subfamily Xyleninae contains 4000-5000 species worldwide, including the most species rich group of the polyphyletic Amphipyrinae, but also containing many genera formerly classified as Cuculliinae. It is subdivision into tribes follows that of Fibiger & Lafontaine (2005) and Fibiger & Hacker (2005). The definition of tribes is often difficult, with borders sometimes unclear due to the close relationships observed between all genera. Therefore, the monophyly of many tribes is doubtful.

The distribution, host plant and abundance of 44 species in 21 genera of xyleninae are summarized. There are 6 tribes recorded in Egypt as follow: (Apameini has 7 species & 4 genus; Caradrinini has 17 species belonging to 5 genera; Cosmiini has one genus and one 2 species; Phlogophorini has 2 species under 2 genera; Prodeniini has 3 species under one genus; and finally Xylenini which has 13 species under 8 genera). By surveying and from different literatures and from different National Museum we collect some unknown data for Egypt. Reviewed of taxonomy of Family Noctuidae and its subfamily was made before this study, then reclassified subfamilies and study all subfamilies and this is the first study.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The main five references collections in Egypt are: Collection of Ministry of Agriculture, Plant protection Research Institute (PPRI); Collection of Faculty of Science, Cairo University (CUC); Collection of Faculty of Science, Ein Shams University (ESUC); Collection of El Alfieri, Al Azhar University, Faculty of Agriculture (ALUC) and Collection of Egyptian Entomological Society (EESC).

* The published papers and Thesis in Egypt.

* Data from the Collections of International Museums (BM, London; Smithsonian, USA; ZI, Leningrad; MNHU, Berlin; MNHN, Paris).

* Main monographs of Lepidoptera in the world

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Subfamily Xyleninae Guenée, 1837

List of subfamily Xyleninae

1. Tribe Prodeniini Forbes, 1954

1. *Spodoptera* Guenée, 1852

1. *Spodoptera cilium* (Guenée, 1852)
2. *Spodoptera exigua* (Hübner, 1808)
3. *Spodoptera littoralis* (Boisduval, 1833)

2. Tribe Caradrinini Boisduval, 1840

Subtribe **Caradrinina** Boisduval, 1840

2. *Caradrina* Ochsenheimer, 1816
4. *Caradrina alfierii* (Boursin, 1937)
5. *Caradrina aspersa* (Rambur, 1834)
6. *Caradrina atriluna* Guenée, 1852
7. *Caradrina bodenheimeri* Amsel, 1935
8. *Caradrina clavipalpis* (Scopoli, 1763)
9. *Caradrina flava* Oberthür, 1876
10. *Caradrina ingrata* (Staudinger, 1897)
11. *Caradrina katherina* Wiltshire, 1947
12. *Caradrina melanurina* (Staudinger, 1901)
13. *Caradrina oberthuri* (Rothschild, 1913)
14. *Caradrina scotoptera* (Püngeler, 1914)
15. *Caradrina selini* Boisduval, 1840
16. *Caradrina soudanensis* (Hampson, 1918)

3. *Catamecia* Staudinger, 1898

17. *Catamecia minima* (Swinhoe, 1889)

4. *Hoplodrina* Boursin, 1937

18. *Hoplodrina ambigua* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)

5. *Pseudoligia* Staudinger, 1901

19. *Pseudoligia similaria* (Ménétriés, 1849)

6. *Scythocentropus* Speiser, 1902

20. *Scythocentropus inquinata* (Mabille, 1888)

3. Tribe Cosmiini Guenée, 1852

Subtribe **Cosmiina** Guenée, 1852

7. *Atethmia* Hübner, [1821]

21. *Atethmia ambusta* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)
22. *Atethmia centrago* (Haworth, 1809)

4. Tribe Phlogophorini Hampson, 1918

8. *Euplexia* Stephens, 1829
 23. *Euplexia lucipara* (Linnaeus, 1758)
9. *Phlogophora* Treitschke, 1825
 24. *Phlogophora meticulosa* (Linnaeus, 1758)
- 5. Tribe Apameini Guenée, 1841**
 Subtribe **Apameina** Boisduval, 1828
 10. *Luperina* Boisduval, 1829
 25. *Luperina diversa* (Staudinger, 1892)
 26. *Luperina grzimeki* Hacker, 1989
 11. *Nonagria* Ochsenheimer, 1816
 27. *Nonagria typhae* (Thunberg, 1784)
 12. *Sidemia* Staudinger, 1892
 28. *Sidemia beduina* Wiltshire, 1948
 Subtribe **Sesamiiima** Fibiger & Goldstein, 2005
 13. *Sesamia* Guenée, 1852
 29. *Sesamia cretica* Lederer, 1859
 30. *Sesamia nonagrioides* (Lefebvre, 1827)
 31. *Sesamia wiltshirei* Rungs, 1963
- 6. Tribe Xylenini Guenée, 1837**
 Subtribe **Antitypina** Forbes & Frandemont, 1954
 14. *Aporophyla* Guenée, 1841
 32. *Aporophyla nigra* (Haworth, 1809)
 15. *Boursinia* Brandt, 1938
 33. *Boursinia discordans* (Boursin, 1940)
 34. *Boursinia lithoxylea* (Bang-Haas, 1912)
 16. *Conistra* Hübner, [1821]
 35. *Conistra staudingeri* Graslin, 1863
 17. *Mniotype* Franclemont, 1941
 36. *Mniotype compitalis* (Draudt, 1909)
 18. *Polymixis* Hübner, [1820]
 37. *Polymixis aurora* (Turati, 1924)
 38. *Polymixis juditha* (Staudinger, 1898)
 39. *Polymixis lea* (Staudinger, 1897)
 40. *Polymixis variabile* (Stertz, 1915)
19. *Pseudamathes* Hampson, 1910
 41. *Pseudamathes volloni* Lucas, 1907
 20. *Xanthia* Ochsenheimer, 1816
 42. *Xanthia ocellaris* (Borkhausen, 1792)
 Subtribe **Xylenina** Guenée, 1837
 21. *Xylena* Ochsenheimer, 1816
 43. *Xylena infusa* Walker, 1870
 44. *Xylena lefebvrei* Bugnion, 1837

Subfamily Xyleninae Guenée, 1837
Tribe 1: Prodeniini Forbes, 1954
 1. *Spodoptera* Guenée, 1852
 1. *Spodoptera cilium* (Guenée, 1852)

Laphygma cycloides Guenée, 1852.
Spodoptera capicola Herrich-Schäffer, 1854.
Caradrina latebrosa Lederer, 1855.

Caradrina praeterita Walker, 1857.
Caradrina orbicularis Walker, 1857.
Laphyagma procedens Walker, 1857.
Laphyagma oblitterans Walker, 1862.
Laphyagma imperviata Walker, 1865.
Laphyagma retrahens Walker, 1870.

Common name: Cape lawn Moth.
Wingspan: 26 – 31mm.

Host records: lawns and turf, Gramineae *Cynodon dactylon*, tobacco, grasses, *Oryza* sp., *Zea mays*.

Geographical Records: Spain, Italy, Algeria, Burkina Faso DR Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Kenya, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, Reunion, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Tunisia, Zimbabwe, Oriental tropics, Indonesia, Iran, India, Cyprus, Israel, Syria, Jordan, U. Arab Emirate, Oman, Lebanon, Palestine, Turkey, China, Iraq, Japan, Pakistan, Sri Lanka.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower & Upper Egypt, Western Desert, Eastern Desert, Coastal Stripe, Sinai, Fayoum.

Type locality: Indonesia (Java).
Syntype: MNHN, male.

2. *Spodoptera exigua* (Hübner, 1808)

Noctua exigua Hübner, 1808.
Noctua fulgens Geyer, 1832.
Caradrina pygmaea Rambur, 1834.
Caradrina junceti Zeller, 1847.
Laphyagma caradrinoides Walker, 1856.
Caradrina flavimaculata Harvey, 1876.
Caradrina sebghana Austaut, 1880.
Caradrina venosa Butler, 1880.
Laphyagma exigua antipodea Warren, 1914.
Douzdrina protector De Laever, 1985.

Common name: small mottled willow, lesser army-worm, beet army-worm.
Wingspan: 27-31.

Host records: Polyphagous, field crops, greenhouse crops, vegetables, grasses, *Amaranthus*, *Taraxacum*.

Geographical Records: Spain, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Chad, DR Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Libya, Tunisia, Madagascar, Mauritania, Mauritius, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Reunion, Sudan, Kuwait, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, UA Emirate, Russia, Iraq, India, Japan, southern USA, Nicaragua, Algeria, New South Wales, France, Israel, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Finland, Morocco, Portugal, Belgium, England, Ireland, Turkey, Romania, Ukraine, Crete, Sweden, Italy, Malta, Denmark, Yemen, Vietnam, Canada, China .

Distribution in Egypt: Lower & Upper Egypt, Western Desert, Eastern Desert, Coastal Stripe, Sinai, Fayoum.

Type locality: Europe.
Holotype: MNHN, ?sex.

3. *Spodoptera littoralis* (Boisduval, 1833)

Hadena littoralis Boisduval, 1833.

Hadena retina Freyer, 1845.

Prodenia testaceoides Guenée, 1852.

Prodenia metriodes Bethune-Baker, 1911.

Common name: Egyptian cotton leaf worm, Mediterranean brocade, Mediterranean climbing cutworm.

Wingspan: 35-40 mm.

Host records: field crops, greenhouse crops, vegetables.

Geographical Records: Angola, Burundi, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, DRCongo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritania, Mauritius, Nigeria, Reunion, Senegal, Seychelles, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Sao Tome & Principe, Kuwait, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, UAE, Emirates, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Spain, Portugal, Greece, Israel, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq, India, England, Malta, Turkey, Italy, Morocco, Sardinia, Germany, Ukraine, Albania, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Croatia.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower & Upper Egypt, Western Desert, Eastern Desert, Coastal Stripe, Sinai, Fayoum.

Type locality: Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar.

Syntype: BMNH, MNHN (Not found).

Tribe 2: Caradrinini Boisduval, 1840

2. *Caradrina* Ochsenheimer, 1816

4. *Caradrina alfieri* (Boursin, 1937)

Elpharia alfieri Boursin, 1937.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: Unknown.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Saudi Arabia, Iran, Israel, Palestine, Jordan.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Egypt (Sinai, Arad) (Sinai, Gebel Katherin).

Holotype: Holotype ♀, coll. Alfieri, Cairo.

Paratype: Coll. Alfieri and (BMNH, London).

5. *Caradrina aspersa* Rambur, 1834

Caradrina aspersa Rambur, 1834.

Caradrina anceps Herrich-Schaffer, [1849].

Caradrina aspersa ab. alfacaria Ribbe, 1912.

Caradrina (Athetis) culoti Turati, 1913.

Caradrina (Athetis) predotae Schawerda, 1931.

Caradrina aspersa buddenbrocki Gross, 1956.

Caradrina (Platyperigea) aspersa proverai Berio, 1977.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 27-32 mm.

Host records: Polyphagous.

Geographical Records: Algeria, Morocco, Iran, France, Turkmenistan, Spain, Palestine, Israel, Cyprus, Lebanon, Turkey, Ukraine, Austria, Syria, Armenia, Germany.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower Egypt, Western Desert.

Type locality: Marseille.

Type: Spain (LM, Karlsruhe) [MNHN, Paris].

6. *Caradrina atriluna* Guenée, 1852

Caradrina atriluna Guenée, 1952.

Caradrina indicata Walker, [1857].

Caradrina mediterraneae Bethune-Baker, 1894.

Caradrina distincta Staudinger, 1897.

Athetis atriluna Warren, 1913.

Athetis angularis Turati, 1935.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 28-34mm.

Host records: *Pistacia atlantica* trees, *Prosopis farcta*

Geographical Records: Libya, Ethiopia, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Turkey, Ethiopia, Jordan, Lebanon, India, Eritrea, Kenya, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Palestine, Algeria, Oman, Morocco, California, Saint Helens.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower Egypt, Costal Stripe, Western Desert, Sinai.

Type locality: Ethiopia, Abyssinia.

Lectotype: Male, (MNHN, Paris).

7. *Caradrina bodenheimeri* Amsel, 1935

Caradrina bodenheimeri Amsel, 1935.

Athetis bodenheimeri chlorotica Boursin, 1936.

Elaphria bodenheimeri plesiarcha Boursin, 1937.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 26-34 mm.

Host records: Calendula.

Geographical Records: Oman, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan, Palestine, Turkey, Palestine, Israel, Lebanon.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Palestine, Israel.

Type: Jerusalem, (MNHU, Berlin) Holotype ♂ and paratype ♂ & ♀.

8. *Caradrina clavipalpis* (Scopoli, 1763)

Phalaena clavipalpis Scopoli, 1763.

Phalaena grisea Hufnagel, 1766.

Noctua 4-punctata Fabricius, 1775.

Noctua quadripunctata Fabricius, 1775.

Noctua cubicularis Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775.

Noctua leucoptera Thunberg, 1791.

Caradrina pulverosa Walker, [1857].

Caradrina avicula Krulikovsky, 1909.

Athetis clavipalpis f. mauretanica Draudt, 1934.

Common name: Pale mottled willow.

Wingspan: 26-35 mm.

Host records: *Stellaria*, *Taraxacum*, *Campanula*, *Plantago*, *Lamium*, *Rumes acetosa*

Geographical Records: Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Libya, Kuwait, Mauritania, Mongolia, Iraq, Iran, Turkey, Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, South Africa, Sweden, Angola, Germany, Austria, Canary Islands, Israel, Syria, Jordan, Sudan, South Africa, Mauritania, Zimbabwe, Slovenia, Cape Verde, Lebanon.

Distribution in Egypt: Costal Stripe.

Type locality: Slovenia, Carniola.

Syntype: Male, (MNHN, Paris).

9. *Caradrina flava* Oberthür, 1876

Caradrina flava Oberthür, 1876.

Athetic approximans Rothschild, 1914.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 29-37 mm.

Geographical Records: Algeria, Morocco, Libya, Canary Islands, Mauretania, Jordan, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Spain, Turkey, Malta, Portugal, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Cape Verde, Chad, Mauritania, Niger.

Distribution in Egypt: Costal Stripe, Sinai.

Type locality: Algeria, Tlemcen, Collo.

Type: Male, (BMNH, London).

10. *Caradrina ingrata* Staudinger, 1897

Caradrina ingrata Staudinger, 1897.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 29-33 mm.

Host records: *Salix* sp., *Taraxacum*.

Geographical Records: Mauretania, Algeria, Spain, S. France, Crete, Lebanon, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Germany, Bahrain, Syria, Morocco, Jordan, Syria, Iran, Spain, Portugal, Austria, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Libya, Tunisia.

Distribution in Egypt: Costal Stripe, Lower Egypt, Sinai.

Type locality: as *infusca* : Spain.

as *ingrata* : Lebanon, Israel.

Type: as *ingrata* (MNHU, Berlin).

11. *Caradrina katherina* Wiltshire, 1947

Caradrina (Paradrina) katherina Wiltshire, 1947.

Caradrina katherina dissimulata Wiltshire, 1982.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: Unknown.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Saudi Arabia, Yemen.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Egypt, Sinai, Gebel Kathrin.

Holotype: Male, Coll. Alfieri; Allotype, female, Coll. Alfieri.

Paratype: Coll. Alfieri, & (BMNH, London).

12. *Caradrina melanurina* (Staudinger, 1901)

Agrotis melanura var. *melanurina* Staudinger, 1901.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: Unknown.

Host records: *Anabasis* sp., different low plants.

Geographical Records: Jordan, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Lebanon, Palestine.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower Egypt, Sinai.

Type locality: Palestine.

Type species: Lectotype ♂, designated by Hacker (2004a), genitalia slide Hacker

12949 ♂, ZMHB; Paralectotypes 1 ♂, 3 ♀, genitalia slide Hacker 12950 ♀, ZMHB.

13. *Caradrina oberthuri* (Rothschild, 1913)

Athetis oberthuri Rothschild, 1913.

Elaphria (Hymenodrina) oberthuri persica Boursin, 1942.

Caradrina (Athetis) apicimaculata Rebel, 1947.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 28-33 mm.

Host records: low plants.

Geographical Records: Iran, Sudan, North Africa, Israel, Syria., Algeria, Sudan, Oman, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Morocco, Spain.

Distribution in Egypt: Gebel Elba, Sinai.

Type locality: Algeria, Oued Mya.

Syntype: Central Western Sahara" South Oued Mya, 1 male & 3 females: (BMNH, London).

14. *Caradrina scotoptera* (Püngeler, 1914)

Athetis scotoptera Püngeler, 1914.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: Unknown.

Host records: low plants.

Geographical Records: Israel, Iran, Turkey.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai, Minia, Suez and Cairo.

Type locality: Palestine, Israel (Jerusalem).

Type: (MNHU, Berlin).

15. *Caradrina selini* Boisduval, 1840

Caradrina selini Boisduval, 1840.

Noctua (Charadrina) milleri Schultz, 1862.

Caradrina selinoides Bellier, 1862.

Caradrina jurassica Rigganbach-Stehlin, 1876.

Caradrina selini var. *mairei* Draudt, 1909.

Athetis selini f. *puengeleri* Draudt, 1934.

Elaphria (Paradrina) forsteri Boursin, 1939.

Elaphria (Paradrina) forsteri Boursin, 1940.

Caradrina (Paradrina) selini djebli Rungs, 1972.

Common name: Sandflur or Grått lövfly.

Wingspan: 25-32 mm

Host records: *Rumex*, *Plantago*, *Hieracium*, *Taraxacum*

Geographical Records: Corsica, Sardinia, Italy, Germany, Crete, Switzerland, Hungary, Algeria, Morocco, Malta, N. Iran, Israel, Jordan, Switzerland.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai, Costal Stripe.

Type locality: Switzerland, Valesia.

Type: Switzerland, Valesia.

16. *Caradrina soudanensis* (Hampson, 1918)

Athetis soudanensis Hampson, 1918.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 28-34 mm

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Sudan, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, United Arab Emirates, Iran Jordan, Morocco.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai, Gebel Elba.

Type locality: Sudan, Kut Sudan.

Holotype: Female (BMNH, London).

3. *Catamecia* Staudinger, 1897

17. *Catamecia minima* (Swinhoe, 1889)

Apamea minima Swinhoe, 1889.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 20-25 mm.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: India, Jordan, Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Sudan, Mauretania, Israel, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Iran, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Tunisia , Oman, Palestine

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: India, Hydarabad & Kipra.

Syntype: Kipra, Female (BMNH, London).

4. *Hoplodrina* Boursin, 1937

18. *Hoplodrina ambigua* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)

Noctua ambigua Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775.

Noctua plantaginis Hübner,[1813].

Orthosia uniformis Swinhoe, 1885.

Caradrina ambigua var. *hilaris* Staudinger, 1901.

Common name: Vine's Rustic.

Wingspan: 29 – 34mm.

Host records: *Lamium*, *Urtica*, *Verbascum*, *Stellaria*, *Primula*, Rumax.

Geographical Records: Afghanistan, Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, England, Germany, Iraq, Iran, Irland, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Malta, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkestan, Morocco, Syria, Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, Netherland, Poland.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower Egypt.

Type locality: Austria, Vienna.

Type: Austria, Vienna, Type destroyed.

5. *Pseudoligia* Staudinger, 1901

19. *Pseudoligia similaria* (Ménétriés, 1849)

Ligia similaria Ménétriés, 1849.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: Unknown.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Uzbekistan, Bokhara (USSR).

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Bokhara.

Type specimen: Holotype – female [U.S.S.R.]: [Uzbekistan] Bokhara, (?) Depository).

6. *Scythocentropus* Speiser, 1902

20. *Scythocentropus inquinata* (Mabille, 1888)

Hadena inquinata Mabille, 1888.

Scythocentropus ferrantei Draudt, 1911.

Scythocentropus mercedes Pinker, 1974.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 25- 32 mm

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Tunisia, Canary Islands, Malta, Morocco, Algeria, Iraq, Iran, Libya, Saudi Arabia, U.A. Emirate, Turkey, Pakistan, India, Israel.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower Egypt, Sinai.

Type locality: Gabes (Tunisia).

Cairo (Egypt): as *Centropodia ferrantei* (Draudt, 1911).

Holotype: Tunisia, Gabes, MNHN, Paris.

Tribe 3: Cosmiini Guenée, 1852

7. *Atethmia* Hübner, 1821

21. *Atethmia ambusta* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)

Noctua ambusta Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 27-31 mm.

Host records: Sloe, fruit trees, *Prunus* sp., *Pyrus*.

Geographical Records: Spain, Austria, Ukraine, Germany, Turkey, Italy, Bulgaria, Israel.

Distribution in Egypt: Egypt.

Type locality: Austria.

Type: Austria, Vienna.

22. *Atethmia centrago* (Haworth, 1809)

Noctua xerampelina Hübner, 1809.

Common name: Centre-barred sallow.

Wingspan: 32-36mm.

Host records: ash (*Fraxinus*), Elm.

Geographical Records: England, Turkey, Iran, Syria, Palestine, Israel, Lebanon, Cyprus, Jordan, Armenia, Romania, Spain, Portugal, Italy, England, Bulgaria.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: England.

Type: England.

Tribe 4: Phlogophorini Hampson, 1918

8. *Euplexia* Stephens, 1829

23. *Euplexia lucipara* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Phalaena lucipara Linnaeus, 1758.

Phalaena dubia Hufnagel, 1766.

Euplexia lucipara brittanica Turner, 1943.

Euplexia lucipara britannica Turner, 1943.

Euplexia lucipara ab. ascripta Gozmány, 1947.

Common name: Small Angle Shades.

Wingspan: 27-32 mm.

Host records: *Quercus ithaburensis*, *Acer palmate*, *Rubus tomentosus*, *Rosa canina*, *Rumex cyprius*, *Urtica pilulifera*, several *Trifolium* species and *Pisum fulvum*.

Geographical Records: Canarias Island, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Romania, Ukraine, Lithuania, Ostrich, Italy, Germany, England, Malta, Iran, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ireland, Croatia, Israel, Lebanon, Syria, Cyprus, Azerbaijan.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Europe.

Type: Europe, LS, London.

9. *Phlogophora* Treitschke, 1825

24. *Phlogophora meticulosa* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Phalaena meticulosa Linnaeus, 1758.

Common name: Angle Shades.

Wingspan: 36 - 48 mm.

Host records: lettuces, *Rubus*, *Epilobium*, *Impatiens*, *Urtica*, *Stachys*, *Lamium*, *Epilobium*, *Actaea*, *Atropa*, *Aconitum*, *Aquilegia*, *Salix* spp., *Solanum* spp.

Geographical Records: Algeria, Morocco, Spain, Britain, Portugal, Armenia, Ireland, Italy, Turkey, Japan, Belgium, Austria, France, Germany.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Europe.

Type: Europe (L.S. London).

Syntype: Algeria, Alma, (NM, Vienna) as *E. leonhardi*.

Tribe 5: Apameini Guenée, 1841

Subtribe: Apameina Boisduval, 1828

10. *Luperina* Boisduval, 1829

25. *Luperina diversa* (Staudinger, 1892)

Apamea dumerillii var. *diversa* Staudinger, 1892.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: about 29 mm.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Turkey, German, Armenia, Cyprus, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Turkey, Amasya.

Syntype: number not stated, "Grosser Anzahl", ZMHB.

26. *Luperina grzimeki* Hacker, 1989

Luperina grzimeki Hacker, 1989.

Common name: Unknown.

Wing span: about 35 mm.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Turkey.

Distribution in Egypt: Costal Stripe.

Type locality: Egypt, Al-Agami.

Holotype: Male in Coll. Zoologische Staassammlung München.

11. *Nonagria* Ochsenheimer, 1816

27. *Nonagria typhae* (Thunberg, 1784)

Noctua typhae Thunberg, 1784.

Common name: Butrush Wainscot.

Wing span: 40-54 mm.

Host records: *Typha latifolia*, *T. angustifolia*, *Scirpus*.

Geographical Records: Portugal, Spain, Sardinia, Ireland, England, Germany, Austria, Italy, Denmark, Greece, Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia, W. Siberia, Ukraine, Turkey, Romania, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Jordan, Israel, Cyprus, Sweden.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower Egypt.

Type locality: Sweden.

12. *Sidemia* Staudinger, 1892

28. *Sidemia beduina* Wiltshire, 1948

Pseudopseustis beduina Wiltshire, 1948.

Common name: Unknown.

Wing span: Unknown.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Saudi Arabia.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai (Arish).

Type locality: Egypt, North Sinai.

Holotype: (USNM, Washington) & BMNH.

Subtribe **Sesamiima** Fibiger & Goldstein, 2005

13. *Sesamia* Guenée in Boisduval & Guenée, 1852

29. *Sesamia cretica* Lederer, 1857

Sesamia cretica Lederer, 1857.

Nonagria cyrnea Mabille, 1866.

Sesamia fraterna Moore, 1882.

Sesamia cretica var. *striata* Staudinger, 1888.

Sesamia pecki Tams, 1938.

Common name: durra stem borer, pink corn borer.

Wingspan: 30-40 mm.

Host records: sorghum, maize, sugarcane, oats, wheat, rice, Graminae, Poaceae

Geographical Records: India, Arabian Peninsula, eastern Mediterranean countries, North Africa, Turkey, Kenya, East Africa, Spain, Greece, France, Italy, Somalia, Sudan, Israel, Jordan, Ethiopia, Somalia, Iran, Iraq, Lesotho, South Africa.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower & Upper Egypt, Western Desert, Eastern Desert, Coastal Stripe, Fayoum, Sinai.

Type locality: Egypt, North Sinai.

Type: MNHU, Berlin.

30. *Sesamia nonagrioides* (Lefebvre, 1827)

Cossus nonagrioides Lefebvre, 1827.

Nonagria hesperica Rambur, 1837.

Nonagria sacchari Wollaston, 1858.

Tapinostola gracilis Rebelr, 1899.

Sesamia vuteria f. *ciccarelli* Mariani, 1934.

Common name: Maize stem borer. Mediterranean corn stalk borer.

Wingspan: 30-40 mm .

Host records: Zea mays (Poaceae), aubergines, *Gladiolus hortulans*, sugarcane, *Typha latifolia* .

Geographical Records: western parts of southern Europe, Turkey, North Africa, East Africa, and parts of West Africa, Iran, Italy, Spain, France, Greece, Israel, Somalia, Mauretania, Sudan, Cape Verde, Saudi Arabia, Yemen South Africa.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower & Upper Egypt, Western Desert, Eastern Desert, Coastal Stripe, Gebel Elba, Fayoum, Sinai.

Type locality: Italy: Sicily, Palermo.

31. *Sesamia wiltshirei* Rungs, 1963

Sesamia wiltshirei Rungs, 1963.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: about 21 mm.

Host records: Zea mays (Poaceae), and other cereal crops.

Geographical Records: Egypt.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower & Upper Egypt, Eastern Desert, Fayoum, Sinai.

Type locality: Egypt, Ismailia.

Holotype: Ismailia, (MNHN, Paris).

Tribe 6: Xylenini Guenée, 1837

14. *Aporophyla* Guenée, 1841

32. *Aporophyla nigra* (Haworth, 1809)

Noctua nigra Haworth, 1809.

Noctua nigricans Hübner, 1813.

Agrotis aethiops Treitschke, 1825.

Aporophylla nigra var. *seileri* Fuchs, 1901.

Aporophylla australis var. *cinerea* Staudinger, 1901.

Aporophila[sic] *cyrenaica* Turati, 1922.

Common name: Black Rustic.

Wingspan: 36 – 42 mm.

Host records: Alfalfa, grasses, *Rumex*, and *Calluna vulgaris*, *Genista*, *Oxalis*, *Sarothamnus*.

Geographical Records: England, Germany, Spain, Libya, Europe, Israel, Turkey, Morocco, Tunisia, Lebanon, Cyprus, Iraq, Iran.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower Egypt, Sinai.

Type: England.

15. *Boursinia* Brand, 1938

33. *Boursinia discordans* (Boursin, 1940)

Margelana discordans Boursin, 1940.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 32-37mm

Host records: *Retama raetam*

Geographical Records: Libya, Turkey, Israel, Palestine, Jordan, Saudi Arabia.

Distribution in Egypt: Abu Matamir (Beheira, Delta) and Sinai.

Type locality: Palestine (Jerusalem), Israel.

Holotype: (USNM, Washington) & BMNH.

Syntype: Jerusalem, (MNHN, Berlin).

34. *Boursinia lithoxylea* (Bang-Haas, 1912)

Hypomecia lithoxylea Bang-Haas, 1912.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 34-37 mm.

Host records: *Retama raetam*

Geographical Records: North Africa, Israel, Palestine, Jordan.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Algeria, Batna near Algiers.

Syntype: Syntypes 3♂, ZMHB.

16. *Conistra* Hubner, [1821]

35. *Conistra staudingeri* (Graslin, 1863)

Dasycampa staudingeri Graslin, 1863.

Cerastis rubigo Rambur, 1871.

Orrhodia staudingeri Austaut, 1880.

Hypomecia lithoxylea Bang-Haas, 1912.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: about 33mm.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Spain, France, UK, Germany.

Distribution in Egypt: Egypt.

Type locality: E. Pyrenees.

17. *Mniotype* Franclemont, 1941

36. *Mniotype compitalis* (Draudt, 1909)

Eremobia compitalis Draudt, 1909.

Crino leptitanus Turati, 1924.

Crino letheus Turati, 1924.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: Unknown.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Libya, Cirenaica, Israel.

Distribution in Egypt: Costal stripe (Alex.).

Type locality: Egypt, Alexandria.

Syntype: 2 males, (destroyed).

18. *Polymixis* Hübner, [1820]

37. *Polymixis aurora* (Turati, 1924)

Pseudopolia aurora Turati, 1924.

Antitype glaisi Lucas, 1932.

Eummichtis aurora commixta Rungs, 1942.

Eumichtis aurora aegyptiaca Wiltshire, 1947.

Pseudopolia aurora Turati, 1924.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: 40 – 45 mm.

Host records: *Zygophyllum* sp.

Geographical Records: Libya, Tunisia, Morocco, Cyrenaica, Israel.

Distribution in Egypt: Lower Egypt (Cairo, W. Digla), Sinai, Taba as aurora.

Type locality: Cairo, W. Digla.

38. *Polymixis juditha* (Staudinger, 1897)

Polia juditha, Staudinger, 1897.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: about 44 mm.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Jordan, Israel, Saudi Arabia.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai, St. Katherin.

Type locality: Palestina, Jordantal.

Holotype: Jordan, Jordenthal, Female, (MNHU, Berlin).

39. *Polymixis lea* (Staudinger, 1897)

Eumichtis lea Staudinger, 1897.

Polia lea Staudinger, 1897.

Common name: Unknown.

Wing span: 29 – 32 mm.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Jordan, Palestine, Israel.

Distribution in Egypt: Sinai.

Type locality: Palestina, Jordantal.

Type specimen: Lectotype ♂, designated by hacker (2001: 216), ZMHB;

Paralectotype 2♂, 1♀; ZMHB.

40. *Polymixis variable* (Sternitzky, 1915)

Dasysternum variable Sternitzky, 1915.

Epunda concolor Oberthür, 1918.

Antitype rosea Rothschild, 1920.

Common name: Unknown.

Wing span: about 34 mm.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Algeria.

Distribution in Egypt: Egypt.

Type locality: Algeria, Guelt-es-Stel.

Synotype: Algeria, Guelt-es-stel.; as *concolor*: Algeria, Lambese, BMNH, Lond.

19. *Pseudamathes* Hampson, 1910

41. *Pseudamathes volloni* (Lucas, 1907)e

Amathes volloni, Lucas, 1907.

Common name: Unknown.

Wing span: about 36mm.

Host plant: Unknown

Geographical distribution: Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco, Libya.

Distribution in Egypt: Helwan.

Type locality: Tunisia (Kebili).

Syntype: Tunisia, Southern (Kebili); (MNHN, Paris).

20. *Xanthia* Ochsenheimer, 1816

42. *Xanthia (Cirrhia) ocellaries* (Borkhausen, 1792)

Phalaena (Noctua) ocellaries Borkhausen, 1792.

Xanthia ocellaries var. *lineago* Guenée, 1852.

Xanthia lineago f. *rubra* Bang-Haas, 1912.

Common name: Pale-lemon Sallow.

Wing span: 33 – 40 mm.

Host plant: *Populus* sp., Rumex, Salix and Low plants.

Geographical distribution: Morocco, Portugal, Spain, England, Belgium, Netherlands, Germany, Ostrich, Italy, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Romania, Turkey, Ukraine, Korea, China.

Distribution in Egypt: (Helwan) Lower Egypt.

Type locality: Italy.

21. *Xylena* Ochsenheimer, 1816

43. *Xylena infusa* Walker, 1870

Xylena infusa Walker, 1870.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: Unknown.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Egypt.

Distribution in Egypt: Upper Egypt.

Type locality: [Egypt] Hor Tamanib.

44. *Xylena lefebvrei* Bugnion, 1837

Xylena lefebvrei Bugnion, 1837.

Common name: Unknown.

Wingspan: Unknown.

Host records: Unknown.

Geographical Records: Egypt.

Distribution in Egypt: Gebel Elba.

Type locality: [Egypt].

Subfamily Xyleninae Guenée, 1837

Plate I

Tribe Prodeniini Forbes, 1954



Tribe Caradrinini Boisduval, 1840



Plate II

Tribe Cosmiini Guenée, 1852



Atethmia ambigua (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)



Atethmia contorta (Haworth, 1809)

Tribe Phlogophorini Hampson, 1918



Euplexia lucipara (Linnaeus, 1758)



Phlogophora meticulosa (Linnaeus, 1758)

Tribe Apameini Guenée, 1841



Luperina diversa Staudinger, 1892



Nomophila typhoe (Thunberg, 1784)



Sesamia cretica Lederer, 1859



Sesamia nonagrivoides (Lefebvre, 1827)



Sesamia willistoni Rangs, 1963

Plate III

Tribe Xylenini Guenée, 1837



Aporophyla nigra (Haworth, 1809)

Aporophyla nigra (Haworth, 1809)

Boursinia discordans (Boursin, 1940)



Boursinia tuberculifex (Bang-Haas, 1912)

Motycya capitulus (Draudt, 1909)

Polymixis aurora (Turati, 1924)



Polymixis juditha (Standinger, 1898)

Polymixis lva (Standinger, 1897)

Polymixis variabilis (Sturz, 1915)



Xanthia ocellata (Borkhausen, 1792)

Cocytia (mixtum) Grisea

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