Reevaluation of the Genera *Compsoneuria* Eaton and *Trichogenia* Braasch & Soldán (Ephemeroptera: Heptageniidae)

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Abstract

Compsoneuria Eaton (Ephemeroptera: Heptageniidae) has been placed in both the Heptageniinae Needham tribes Compsoneuriini Wang & McCafferty and Ecdyonurini Ulmer by different mayfly workers. In order to clarify the phylogenetic position of the genus, we examined adult material of its type species (C. spectabilis Eaton), larvae originally described as C. spectabilis, and material of potentially related species. We determined that the larva originally described as C. spectabilis was incorrectly associated with adults and is actually a species of Trichogenia Braasch & Soldán. Herein we name this species Trichogenia ulmeri N.SP. Braasch & Webb. The adults of C. spectabilis possess Ecdyonurinae characters and therefore Compsoneuria and Compsoneuriini are transferred to Ecdyonurinae. In order to maintain the stability of genera within Heptageniinae, we establish Trichogeniini Webb & McCafferty N.TRIB. Compsoneuriella Ulmer and Notonurus Crass are confirmed to be synonyms of Compsoneuria. Heptagenia lieftincki Ulmer is shown to be a member of Compsoneuria [=Compsoneuria lieftincki (Ulmer) N.COMB.]. Compsoneuria is also shown to be distinct from Thalerosphyrus Eaton and several species previously placed in Thalerosphyrus are moved to Compsoneuria, for example T. josettae [= Compsoneuria josettae (Sartori & Elouard) N.COMB.]. The southeast Asian genus Trichogenia is reviewed; Trichogenia hubleyi Webb & McCafferty N.SP. is described from larvae from Celebes and Borneo, Indonesia; and Heptagenia nasuta Ulmer is provisionally transferred to Trichogenia [=Trichogenia nasuta (Ulmer) **N.COMB.**]

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Introduction

Heptageniidae (Ephemeroptera) is widespread and abundant throughout North America, Europe, Africa and Asia, and three subfamilies are currently recognized: Ecdyonurinae Ulmer, Heptageniinae Needham, and Rhithrogeniinae Lestage (Wang and McCafferty 2004). While most heptageniid genera are easily placed in a subfamily, the placement of the genus *Compsoneuria* Eaton has been uncertain. For example, Braasch (1990) stated that *Compsoneuria* belonged to Ecdyonurinae, while Kluge (2004) placed *Compsoneuria* as *incertae sedis* within the Heptageniidae. Based on the described larval characteristics (Ulmer 1939: 675), however, *Compsoneuria* would belong in the Heptageniinae tribe Compsoneuriini Wang & McCafferty (Wang and McCafferty 2004).

In order to clarify the phylogenetic relationships and generic concept of Compsoneuria, we examined material of C. spectabilis Eaton, 1881, the type species of the genus, as well as material of potentially related genera. We found that the confusion surrounding C. spectabilis stems from the incorrect assignment of larvae to the species by Ulmer (1939). According to the higher classification of Wang and McCafferty (2004), the adults of C. spectabilis are clearly Ecdyonurinae, and the larvae Ulmer (1939) described as C. spectabilis are clearly Heptageniinae (more precisely an unnamed species of Trichogenia Braasch & Soldán). In this paper, we update the classification of Compsoneuria; confirm generic equivalences with Compsoneuria; distinguish between Compsoneuria and Thalerosphyrus Eaton; provide a new name for the Trichogenia species previously known as the larvae of C. spectabilis (Ulmer 1939); describe an additional species of Trichogenia from Celebes and Borneo, Indonesia; and provide a key to the species of Trichogenia larvae. Abbreviations used in the material examined include: FAMU (Florida A&M University collection), PERC (Purdue Entomological Research Collection), ROM (Royal Ontario Museum), and ZMUH (Zoologisches Institut und Zoologisches Museum der Universität Hamburg).

Compsoneuria Eaton

Compsoneuria Eaton, 1881: 23

Compsoneuriella Ulmer, 1939: 563; (syn.) Braasch and Soldán, 1986a: 46

Cosmetogenia Eaton, 1883: 18 (obj. syn.)

Notonurus Crass, 1947: 126; (syn.) Gillies, 1963: 232

Wang and McCafferty (2004) placed *Compsoneuria* as the sister group of *Trichogenia* in the Heptageniinae tribe Compsoneuriini because larvae described as *C. spectabilis* by Ulmer (1939) have a row of setae on the ventral surface of the maxillae, triangular glossae, no distinct dorsal apical projection on the femora, two rows of setae on the lateral margin of the mandibles, and a wide labrum. Male adults of *C. spectabilis*, however, possess

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Ecdyonurinae characters such as parallel-sided medial margins of the mesothoracic furcasternum as well as forewings with a reduced number of crossveins. Because Ulmer (1939) did not rear any larvae of *C. spectablis*, Jensen (1972), Braasch and Soldán (1986a), and Edmunds and Polhemus (1990) viewed this association with caution. We found Ulmer's (1939) association to be incorrect because forewings dissected out of a mature larva similar to that described by Ulmer (1939) have numerous crossveins and are shaped differently than those of adults of *C. spectabilis*, and also have other Heptageniinae characters noted above. Therefore, the true larva of *C. spectabilis* is still unknown. The larva described by Ulmer (1939) as *C. spectabilis* is an unnamed species of *Trichogenia* which is further discussed under that genus (see below).

Based on the evidence provided above, *Compsoneuria* can no longer be included in the Heptageniinae and is placed in Ecdyonurinae, with the name Compsoneuriini accompanying its type genus to Ecdyonurinae. The potential relationships of *Compsoneuria* to other Ecdyonurinae are discussed below. The phylogenetic concept of the Heptageniinae clade defined by larval characters that Wang and McCafferty (2004) named Compsoneuriini remains the same; however, this concept is now relevant only to the genus *Trichogenia*. Given the constraints of a strict phylogenetic classification, we must establish a new tribe, Trichogeniini Webb & McCafferty **N.TRIB**., allowing each of the additional eight Heptageniinae genera to retain their generic status.

Braasch and Soldán (1986a) noted that adults of Compsoneuriella thienemanni Ulmer, 1939, the type species of Compsoneuriella Ulmer, were congeneric with C. spectabilis adults and synonymized Compsoneuriella with Compsoneuria. Wang and McCafferty (2004) did not recognize this synonymy because they believed Compsoneuria to be a member of the Heptageniinae, and placed Compsoneuriella as a junior synonym of Thalerosphyrus instead, based on the shared possession of long, pointed supracoxal sclerites in the larvae. Examination of larvae and males of several species of Thalerosphyrus and Compsoneuriella indicates, however, that the two are distinct. The penes of Compsoneuriella are slightly expanded laterally, are only partially fused medially, have distinct dorsal sclerites both apically and laterally, and have ventral and dorsolateral spines. The penes of Thalerosphyrus are not expanded laterally, are fused medially for most of their length, do not have ventral or dorsolateral spines (small dorsolateral spines may be present in some species), and do not have as well-developed apical sclerites. Additionally, the forewings of the two genera differ in that those of Compsoneuriella tend to have a reduced number of crossveins and a slightly sigmoidal bend in the costa and subcosta, whereas those of Thalerosphyrus have numerous crossveins and a straight costa and subcosta. The legs of Compsoneuriella have numerous black spots that are not present in Thalerosphyrus. The larvae of Thalerosphyrus and Compsoneuriella also differ in many characters. Thalerosphyrus larvae, for example, have well developed posterolateral spines on the abdomen, simple setae on the inner surface of the hindtibiae, slight posterolateral extensions of pronotum, distinct thickening of the

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anterior margin of the head capsule, do not possess any black spotting on the head capsule or femora, and the glossae are subquadrate and laterally expanded. *Compsoneuriella* larvae, on the other hand, generally have shorter posterolateral spines on the abdominal segments, have fimbriate setae on the inner surface of the hindtibiae, generally lack posterolateral expansions on the pronotum, do not have the anterior margin of the head capsule thickened, usually have conspicuous black spots on the head capsule and/or femora, and the glossae are narrow and pointed apically. For these reasons, we no longer recognize any synonymy of *Compsoneuriella* with *Thalerosphyrus* and because all of the adult characters of *Compsoneuriella* are present in *Compsoneuria*, we recognize the previous synonymy of *Compsoneuriella* with *Compsoneuria*. All African species transferred to *Thalerosphyrus* by McCafferty (2003) are recombined with *Compsoneuria*.

The phylogenetic position of *Compsoneuria* (and Compsoneuriin) within the Ecdyonurinae is unclear. The possession of ventral spines on the penes, the general shape and the sclerotization of the penes, and the possession of black spotting on the head capsule indicate *Compsoneuria* may be related to members of the tribe Leucrocutini Wang & McCafferty. However, unlike other members of the Leucrocutini, the apical setae on the ventral side of the galealaciniae are simple rather than fimbriate, and the distal dentisetae on the maxillae are branched rather than simple, indicating a closer relationship to the Notacanthurini Wang & McCafferty and Atopopini Wang & McCafferty. The long supracoxal sclerites of the larvae are similar to those found in most *Thalerosphyrus* (a member of Atopopini) but we believe this to be a case of convergence as *Compsoneuria* lacks apomorphies of the Atopopini such as a thickened anterior margin of the larval head capsule. In most males of Atopopini, the first foretarsal segment is greater than 0.5X the length of the second segment; in *Compsoneuria*, the length varies from 0.3-1.0X the length of the second segment.

We presently consider *Compsoneuria* to include the following species:

Compsoneuria bequaerti (Navás) AFROTROPICAL

Adenophlebia bequaerti Navás, 1930: 316 (orig.)
Adenophlebia eatoni Navás, 1931a: 271; (syn.) Demoulin, 1956: 45
Adenophlebia inflexa Navás, 1932: 285; (syn.) Demoulin, 1956: 45
Notonurus cooperi Crass, 1947: 127; (syn.) Demoulin, 1970: 97
Compsoneuriella cooperi; (comb.) Gillies, 1963: 232
Compsoneuriella bequaerti; (comb.) Gillies, 1963: 232
Notonurus bequaerti; (comb.) Demoulin, 1956: 45
Compsoneuria bequaerti; (comb.) Braasch and Soldán, 1986a: 46
Thalerosphyrus bequaerti; (comb.) McCafferty, 2003: 792

Compsoneuria cingulata (Navás) ORIENTAL

Thalerosphyrus cingulatus Navás, 1933: 18 (orig.) Compsoneuria cingulata; (comb.) Braasch and Soldán, 1986a: 46

Compsoneuria diehli Braasch & Soldán ORIENTAL

Compsoneuria diehli Braasch & Soldán, 1986a: 48 (orig.)



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Compsoneuria flowersi Braasch & Soldán ORIENTAL

Compsoneuria flowersi Braasch & Soldán, 1986b: 59 (orig.)

Compsoneuria josettae (Sartori & Elouard) N.COMB. AFROTROPICAL

Thalerosphyrus josettae Sartori & Elouard, 1996: 125 (orig.)

Compsoneuria lieftincki (Ulmer) N.COMB. ORIENTAL

Heptagenia lieftincki Ulmer, 1939: 571 (orig.)

Compsoneuria njalensis (Kimmins) AFROTROPICAL

Afronurus njalensis Kimmins, 1937: 433 (orig.)
Compsoneuriella njalensis; (comb.) Gillies, 1963: 232
Compsoneuria njalensis; (comb.) Braasch and Soldán, 1986a: 46
Thalerosphyrus njalensis; (comb.) McCafferty, 2003: 792

Compsoneuria sinuosa (Navás) AFROTROPICAL

Adenophlebia sinuosus Navás, 1931b: 109 (orig.)
Notonurus sinuosus; (comb.) Demoulin, 1970: 98
Compsoneuria sinuosa; (comb.) Braasch and Soldán, 1986a: 46
Ecdyonurus sinuosus; (comb.) Kluge, 1988: 298
Thalerosphyrus longinosi McCafferty, 2003: 792 (unnecessary name change)

Compsoneuria spectabilis Eaton ORIENTAL

Compsoneuria spectabilis Eaton, 1881: 23 (orig.)

Compsoneuria thienemanni (Ulmer) ORIENTAL

Compsoneuriella thienemanni Ulmer, 1939: 564 (orig.) Compsoneuria thienemanni; (comb.) Braasch and Soldán, 1986a: 46 Thalerosphyrus thienemanni; (comb.) Wang and McCafferty, 2004: 17

Compsoneuria tortinervis (Navás) AFROTROPICAL

Adenophlebia tortinervis Navás, 1930: 317 (orig.)
Notonurus tortinervis; (comb.) Demoulin, 1956: 48
Compsoneuriella tortinervis; (comb.) Gillies, 1963: 232
Compsoneuria tortinervis; (comb.) Braasch and Soldán, 1986a: 46
Thalerosphyrus tortinervis; (comb.) McCafferty, 2003: 792

Thalerosphyrus is restricted presently to T. bishopi Braasch & Soldán, 1986a; T. determinatus (Walker, 1853); T. flowersi Venkataraman & Sivaramakrishnan, 1987; T. sinuosus (Navás, 1933); T. sumatranus (Ulmer, 1939); T. torridus (Walker, 1853); and T. vietnamensis (Dang, 1967). While T. ethiopicus Soldán, 1977, and T. separatus Nguyen & Bae, 2004 are likely members of Afronurus Lestage we are retaining them in

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Thalerosphyrus until we can examine specimens. Similarly, Thalerosphyrus melli Ulmer, 1925, is probably a member of Epeorus Eaton, but we have not examined specimens to confirm this and we are therefore retaining it in Thalerosphyrus for the time being.

Material examined. *Compsoneuria flowersi*, 2♂, Indonesia, Java, GC Crampton [PERC]. *C. lieftincki*, 2♂ syntypes, Indonesia, West Java, 150m, Djasinga, Tjibarangbang Fluss, abends an der Lampe im Flussbett, 6-VII-1935, Lieftinck [FAMU]. *C. njalensis*, 5♂ 2♀, South Africa, no other data [PERC]; 1♂, South Africa, Skandinawiedrift, 30-III-1965 [PERC]. *C.* spp. 1♂, India, Kalial (Kerala), 7-I-1962, F. Schmid [PERC]; 1♂, Madagascar, Majunga Prov, 25km SW Ambalanjankomby, XI-1962, ED Cashatt [PERC]; 1♂ 5♀, South Africa, Vaal R at Skandinawiedrift, 30-III-1965, 28-IV-1965, 10-IV-1969, HJ Schoonbee [PERC]; 1♂, Sri Lanka, Sabaragamuwa Prov, Helihul-Oya, 1-III-1962 [PERC]; 1♂, Sri Lanka, Sabaragamuwa Prov, Rakwana, 27-II-1962 [PERC]. *C. spectabilis*, 3♂, Indonesia, W Java, Buitenzorg (now Bogor), 13-II-1932, VII-1932, Lieftinck [PERC]. *C. thienemanni*, 3♂, Malaysia, Sabah, Mansuncun R NE of Kota Kinabalu, 18-VIII-1972, WL and JG Peters [PERC]; 26♂ 11♀, Vietnam, Gia Lai, An Khe District, Cha R 3km E Buoenloy, 25-VI-1996, B Hubley, DC Currie, J Swann ROM 961090 [ROM]. *C. tortinervis*?, 1♂, B Congo, 9mi NW of Bunyakiri, 8-IX-1957 [PERC].

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As indicated above, the larva Ulmer (1939:675) described as *C. spectabilis* is actually an unnamed species of *Trichogenia* [= *Trichogenia ulmeri* **N.SP.**]. Wang and McCafferty (2004) considered Ulmer's Compsoneuria to belong to a different genus than *Trichogenia* based on differences in mouthpart morphology. However, examination of a new species described below and *T. ulmeri* shows that these two species are fundamentally the same as *T. maxillaris* Braasch and Soldán, 1988 and differ in only a few characters. Therefore, we place them all in *Trichogenia*.

Adult males have not been associated with any larvae of *Trichogenia*. However, it is highly probable that *Heptagenia nasuta* Ulmer, 1939, known only from adults from Indonesia, is *Trichogenia* (Braasch and Soldán 1988) based on the following: i) the only confirmed larvae of the subfamily Heptageniinae known from southeast Asia are *Trichogenia*; ii) *H. nasuta* is the only adult of the subfamily Heptageniinae known from southeast Asia; iii) wings dissected from wingpads of mature *Trichogenia* larvae have a slight violet tinge, similar to *H. nasuta* (Braasch and Soldán 1988). For these reasons we provisionally transfer *H. nasuta* to *Trichogenia* [=*Trichogenia nasuta* (Ulmer) **N.COMB.**].

Diagnosis: Larvae of *Trichogenia* can be differentiated from those of all other genera of Heptageniidae by the following combination of characters: i) ventral side of maxillae with setae in a row; ii) tergum with branched robust setae and many long, fine setae; iii) lamellae of gills 1 reduced; iv) lamellae of at least gills 2-4 long, narrow, and pointed

apically; v) apex of femora without dorsal projection.

At this time we do not have material available to provide characters for separating adult males of *Trichogenia* from other Heptageniinae genera. The long pair of ventral spines on the penes shown in Figures 156 and 157 by Ulmer (1939:569) in combination with the violet coloration in the wings may be diagnostic.

Species included: *Trichogenia maxillaris*, *T. nasuta* **N.COMB.**, *T. hubleyi* **N.SP.**, *T. ulmeri* **N.SP**.

Trichogenia hubleyi Webb & McCafferty N.SP.

Larval description: Head capsule subrectangular (Fig. 1), with numerous fine and sparse branched, robust setae dorsally. Labrum (Fig. 2) much wider than long, dorsally with numerous long, fine setae, ventrally with median row of short, robust setae and many long, fine setae laterally. Mandibles (Figs 3 and 4) with dense patch of setae on lateral margin at base of outer canines, lateral margin with row of long setae on apical half and patch of setae dorsally on basal portion. Hypopharynx (Fig. 5) with lateral margins of superlingua subparallel; lingua with median U-shaped notch bordered by pair of apicolateral processes. Maxillae (Fig 6) ventrally with row of fimbriate setae, dorsally with lateral row of long, fine setae; apical margin of galealaciniae with nine comb setae; first segment of palp with numerous long, fine setae; second segment with long, fine setae laterally, bare medially; third segment small, sharp. Glossae broadly rounded apically, numerous robust setae ventrally; dorsal surface of last segment of palps with row of fine setae stopping at medial margin (Fig 7). Thorax dorsally with numerous fine setae, sparse ginko-shaped robust setae; pronotum with pair of small, spicule-covered protuberances; meso- and metathoracic supracoxal sclerites long, sharp, projecting dorsally (Fig. 8). Forefemora dorsally with row of long, fine setae and numerous long, robust setae; anterior surface with spatulate setae and long, fine setae; ventral margin with numerous short, robust setae and short, fine setae. Foretibiae with sparse row of fine setae on posterior margin; lateral ridge with row of spatulate setae; anterior margin with numerous short, robust setae; entire surface of tibiae covered with fine setae. Foretarsi covered with fine setae, laterally with several spatulate setae. Mid- and hindlegs similar to forelegs but with more numerous robust setae; femora with anterior face with robust setae all of approximately same size and shape (Fig. 9). Abdomen dorsally with numerous fine setae and branched robust setae (Fig. 10); posterior margins of terga with sharp spines. Gills 1-7 with numerous long fibrils, lamellae with long, fine setae; lamellae of gills 1 small; lamellae of gills 2-4 long and narrow; lamellae of gills 5-7 rounded, with short apical point. Caudal filaments with short spines at intersegmental margins; median caudal filament with long, fine setae on both sides of joints; cerci with long, fine setae medially.

Adult: Unknown.

Etymology: The specific epithet is in honor of Brad Hubley of the Royal Ontario

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Museum, Canada, who has provided us with numerous southeast Asian specimens.

Diagnosis: *Trichogenia hubleyi* can be differentiated from congeners by the following combination of characteristics: i) well-developed comb setae on the anterior margin of the galealaciniae; ii) long supracoxal spines on the meso- and metathorax; iii) anterior surface of femora with setae all of same size; iv) abdominal terga with numerous branched, robust setae scattered over entire surface.

Material examined: HOLOTYPE: 1 larva, Indonesia, Celebes, Sulawesi Utara Province, swift clear stream nr S end of L Mara, 10-IX-1985, JT & DA Polhemus [PERC] PARATYPES: 17 larvae (parts of one slide-mounted), same data as holotype [PERC].

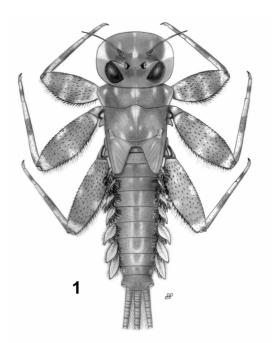


FIGURE 1. Trichogenia hubleyi. Dorsal habitus.

Trichogenia maxillaris Braasch & Soldán

Trichogenia maxillaris Braasch & Soldán, 1988: 120 (orig.) *Heptagenia maxillaris*; (comb.) Kluge, 2004: 173

The larva of this species was adequately described by Braasch and Soldán (1988). The adults are unknown.

Diagnosis: *Trichogenia maxillaris* can be differentiated from congeners by the following combination of characteristics: i) supracoxal sclerites blunt; ii) absence of comb setae on apical margin of maxillae; iii) hypopharynx apically divergent (Fig. 11); iv) ventral surface of terminal segment of labial palp with long row of setae extending to posteromedial margin (Fig. 12).

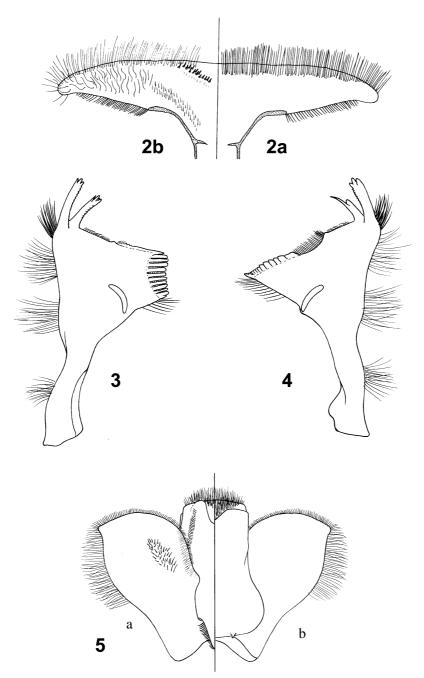


FIGURE 2–5. *Trichogenia hubleyi.* **2,** labrum: a. dorsal b. ventral; **3,** left mandible; **4,** right mandible; **5,** hypopharynx: a. dorsal b. ventral.

Material Examined: THAILAND: 1 larva, Chiengmai Prov, small stream and waterfalls, Doi Sutep, W of Chiengmai, 19-XI-1964, WL and JG Peters [PERC]; VIETNAM: 1 larva, Vihm Phú: Tam Dao Hill Stn, lower waterfall of stream flowing through town, 11-V-1996, B Hubley and DC Darling, ROM 961029 [ROM]; 1 larva, Gai



Lai: An Keh Dist, 10 km NW Buoenloy, small stream 1km on trail past Cha R, 1°rainforest edge, 27-VI-1996, B Hubley, ROM 961099 [ROM].

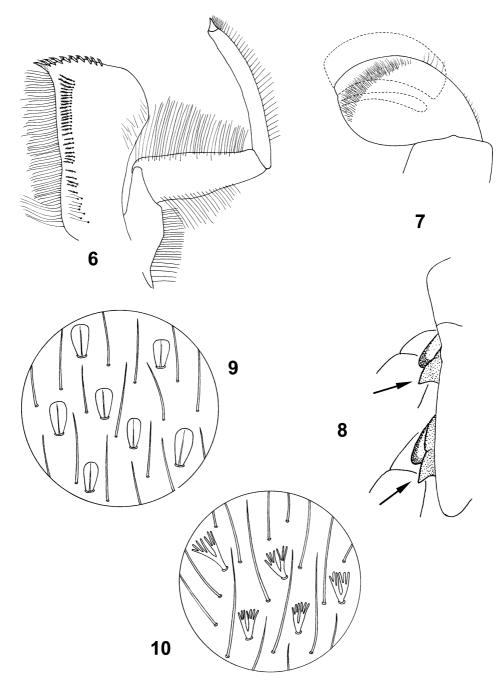


FIGURE 6–10. *Trichogenia hubleyi.* **6,** maxilla: ventral; **7,** labial palp: dorsal view of terminal segment; **8,** supracoxal sclerites (indicated by arrows); **9,** hindfemur: setae on middle section of anterior face; **10,** tergum V: setae.

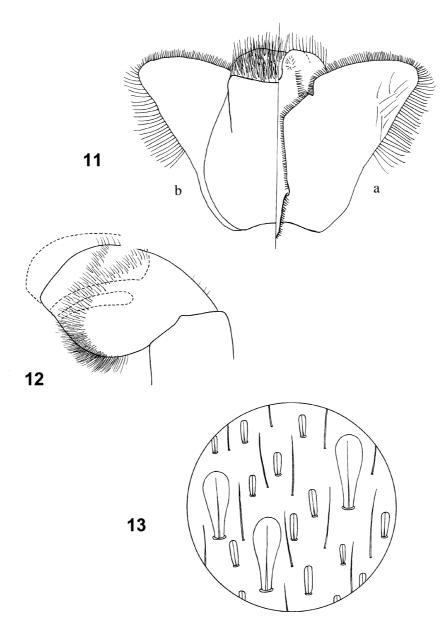


FIGURE 11–13. 11–12, *T. maxillaris,* 11, hypopharynx: a. dorsal b. ventral; 12, labial palp: dorsal view of terminal segment. **13**, *T. ulmeri*, hind femur: setae on middle section of anterior face.

Trichogenia nasuta (Ulmer) N.COMB.

Heptagenia nasuta Ulmer, 1939: 567 (orig.)

Ulmer (1939) described *Heptagenia nasuta* from adult males and females. The larva is unknown.

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Trichogenia ulmeri Braasch & Webb N.SP.

Compsoneuria spectabilis Eaton (larva nec adult); (misid.) Ulmer, 1939:675

Larval Description: see Ulmer (1939).

Adult: unknown.

Etymology: The specific epithet is in honor of the late Georg Ulmer.

Diagnosis: *Trichogenia ulmeri* can be differentiated from congeners by the following combination of characteristics: i) anterior surface of femora with both long and short robust setae (Fig. 13); ii) presence of comb setae on apical margin of maxillae; iii)long supracoxal spines on the meso- and metathorax; iii) abdominal terga with sparse branched, robust setae, most occurring near posterior margin.

Material Examined: HOLOTYPE: 1larva, Indonesia, Sumatra, Ranau, Urwaldbach, R25c, 29-I-1929, Thienemann [ZMUH]. PARATYPES: INDONESIA: 1 larva, same data as holotype [ZMUH]; 2 larvae, Indonesia, E. Kalimantan, Long Tua, Tua cr, 3°10'N 115°47'E, 440m, 7-IV-1994, B Hubley, IIS 940541 [ROM].

Key to the Species of *Trichogenia* larvae

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