The European and eastern Nearctic fungus-gnats in the genus *Ectrepesthoneura* (Mycetophilidae)

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ABSTRACT. The validity and composition of *Ectrepesthoneura* Enderlein are discussed and it is contrasted with the related genus *Tetragoneura* Winnertz. The occurrence of mid-tibial sense organs in these genera and elsewhere in the subfamily Sciophilinae is considered. The European *Ectrepesthoneura* are revised and the secondary sexual characters of the male legs newly described. Two species, *E.pubescens* (Zetterstedt) = *messaurensis* Plassmann, syn.n. and *E.colyeri* sp.n., are added to the British list. The Nearctic species are discussed and the two eastern species dealt with fully: the male of *E.bicolor* (Coquillett) is newly recognized and *E.laffooni* sp.n. described. Some western Nearctic *Tetragoneura* probably belong correctly to *Ectrepestl:oneura* but examination of types showed that *T.quintana* Cole, *T.longicauda* van Duzee and the eastern Nearctic *T.pimpla* Coquillett belong to *Dziedzickia* Johannsen in its present broad usage. The Palaearctic *Ectrepesthoneura gracilis* Edwards also probably has closer affinities with *Dziedzickia* than with its present assignment. The Japanese *Ectrepesthoneura* described by Sasakawa (1961) are excluded as they are probably Sciaridae.

Introduction

Ectrepesthoneura Enderlein is a small Holarctic genus, closely related to the large worldwide genus Tetragoneura Winnertz. At present both genera are placed in the tribe Leiini of the sub-family Sciophilinae but Tuomikoski (1966) considered that they should be placed more correctly in the tribe Gnoristini near Synapha Meigen, the character they share with the Leiini (a short vein R1) being due to convergence. Both Ectrepesthoneura and Tetragoneura comprise short-bodied gnats with relatively short stout legs. Some species hitherto included in these genera (E.gracilis Edwards and several Nearctic Tetragoneura) have the abdomen and legs more slender and differences in wing venation and genital structure which suggest a closer relationship with Dziedzickia Johannsen (Gnoristini). The true position of these species

Correspondence: Mr P. J. Chandler, Weston Research Laboratories, 644 Bath Road, Taplow, Maidenhead, Berks. SL6 0PA. was obscured, again because of their rather short vein R1. Sasakawa (1961) described two Japanese species (*japonica* and *yasumatsui*) in *Ectrepesthoneura* but his figures of wing venation and genitalia indicate that they are not correctly placed, but are probably Sciaridae.

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Ectrepesthoneura has been distinguished from Tetragoneura by a combination of two venational characters, the long vein Sc ending in R and a very short-stalked or sessile posterior fork; in Tetragoneura vein Sc is short and ending free, while the posterior fork has a relatively long stem. Variation in the latter character has led some authors, e.g. Garrett (1925), to question the validity of recognizing Ectrepesthoneura as a taxon distinct from Tetragoneura but as redefined here it is considered a natural group. This is confirmed by the peculiar characters of the male genitalia, e.g. the large ninth tergite with specific marginal structures, present in all species except gracilis and the simple stylomeres bearing flattened terminal bristles, found in all species except gracilis and laffooni sp.n. Neither character is found in Tetragoneura, in which most species have a narrow transverse ninth tergite, usually with relatively simple structure, typified by the European T.sylvatica Curtis (Figs. 3 and 4). This tergite is larger in a few New Zealand species, but does not conceal the stylomeres dorsally. In the Nearctic T.nitida Adams it is divided medially into two separate plates (Figs. 1 and 2).

E.laffooni has highly modified genitalia but is otherwise a typical member of *Ectrepesthoneura*. The genus is a compact group, both in external and genital characters but *E.gracilis* is somewhat different and the generic diagnosis given below does not take it into account. Its genital structure differs most obviously in the small ninth tergite closely articulating with the large genital capsule, which is itself narrowly divided ventrally. The more slender form and differences in venation, e.g. downcurved vein R5 and well-marked postradial veins, suggest relationship with Dziedzickia. The presence of only one pair of long scutellars, the laterals being reduced, is another difference from the generic diagnosis. An undescribed Nearctic species, which runs to Tetragoneura because of its short posterior fork and short Sc ending faintly in the wing membrane, resembles gracilis in other aspects of its venation, its slender form and a small ninth tergite (but capsule not ventrally cleft and other structures very different). Both should probably become the types of new genera but it is premature to establish them as such until the World fauna of the group has been more intensively studied.

A 'sensory' area situated dorsally on the basal half of the male mid tibia is present in



FIGS. 1–4. Tetragoneura, male genitalia: T.nitida: 1, dorsal view; 2, ventral view; T.sylvatica: 3, dorsal view; 4, ventral view.

all known *Ectrepesthoneura* including gracilis, but is not exclusive to this genus. A similar (sometimes strongly setulose) organ is present in some *Tetragoneura* but has been recorded in only about a quarter of the nearly fifty species where it has been taken into account in the description; it is absent in *sylvatica* and *nitida*. The example figured (Fig. 5) is an undescribed Oriental species very close to the Japanese *tibialis* Sasakawa (1961) but differing from it in minor genital details; one peculiarity in common with *tibialis* is the absence of the anterior mid tibial spur, a character noted in some New Zealand species by Tonnoir & Edwards (1927).

A well inarked oval 'sensory' pit in the same position is found in several Synapha including fasciata Meigen (Fig. 8) although it is absent in the nearly related vitripennis (Meigen). It is present in a Nearctic Synapha I have examined; this would run to Dziedzickia in existing keys as the long vein Sc apparently curves into R, the anterior branch (Sc1) being very faint or absent.

A comparable organ is present in some unrelated genera of Sciophilinae, e.g. Coelophthinia Edwards (Gnoristini) in which it is represented by an elongate membranous cavity (Fig. 9) and *Polylepta* Winnertz (Sciophilini) (Fig. 10) where an oval swelling bears close set coarse golden setulae. In Coelophthinia, this structure is common to both sexes and Freeman (1951) mentioned its presence in both sexes in Neotropical species referred to Coclosia Winnertz; the three British species of Coelosia bear no vestige of it. Both sexes of Phthinia Winnertz (Sciophilini), which have very long slender legs, have a similar organ to Coelophthinia but it is less obvious, narrower and slit-like; in humilis Winnertz it occupies the basal half of the tibia. Speolepta Edwards (Gnoristini), which closely resembles Phthinia except in the absence of macrotrichia on the wing membrane, has a similar structure on the



FIGS. 5-10. Dorsal view of right male mid tibia: 5, Tetragoneura sp. neat tibialis; 6, Ectrepesthoneura hirta; 7, Ectrepesthoneura bicolor; 8, Synapha fasciata; 9, Coelophthinia thoracica; 10, Polylepta guttiventris.

basal third of the mid tibia emphasized by adjacent setulae being longer than elsewhere on the tibia.

The function of the mid-tibial organ is unknown but it is probably involved in courtship. Its presence is indicative of some relationship between the genera concerned but its taxonomic value is reduced by its apparent total absence in species closely related to others bearing it. A similar structure has been described in some fossil genera of Sciophilinae, i.e. *Proboletina* Meunier and *Loe wiella* Meunier (Edwards, 1940) but the status of these genera is in doubt pending a revised generic classification of the Sciophilinae. A redefinition of the tribes, which are clearly not entirely monophyletic in their present usage, will evidently be necessary.

Abbreviations

Abbreviations of museums in which material is deposited are as follows: BMNH: British Museum (Natural History), London, U.K.; CAS: California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, California, U.S.A.; HD: Hope Department of Entomology, Oxford, U.K.; ISUM: Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, U.S.A.; MNHN: Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, France; RSM: Royal Scottish Museum, Edinburgh, U.K.; SMFM: Senckenberg Museum, Frankfurt-am-Main, Germany; USNM: United States National Museum, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.; UZI: Zoological Institute, University of Lund, Sweden.

Ectrepesthoneura Enderlein

- Willistoniella Meunier, 1904: 74. Type-species W.magnifica Meunier, by monotypy (preoccupied).
- Meunieria Johannsen, 1909: 87, nom.n. for Willistoniella Meunier (preoccupied) (synonymy, Edwards, 1940: 125).
- *Ectrepesthoneura* Enderlein, 1911: 155. Type-species *Tetragoneura hirta* Winnertz, by original designation and monotypy.

Mainly blackish, grey dusted, short-bodied gnats with whitish hairs and bristles, sometimes with abdomen more or less extensively yellow. Antennae slender, with elongate flagellar segments; 2 + 14. Palpi four segmented, the basal segments more or less swollen, the attachment of the third to the second being preapical. Lateral ocelli remote from eve margins. Bristles of pronotum and proepisterna including long pale upswept bristles, some of which reach to beyond mid line of head. Mesoscutum with long pale reclinate bristles separated into biserial acrostichal (ac) and pluriserial dorsocentral (dc) rows by narrow bare median and lateral stripes. Two pairs of long scutellars. Pleurotergites bare. Wings clear. Vein Sc long, ending in R well before base of Rs. Vein R4 present, enclosing a narrow radial cell. Vein R1 short, portion beyond R4 usually subequal to r-m (at most twice as long). Vein R5 straight towards tip, the costa prolonged well beyond it to approach tip of M1. Veins of radial sector strong, pigmented; postradial veins weak and faint. Posterior fork narrow basally and very short stalked or sessile. Legs relatively short, mainly yellowish. Males with 'sensory' pit, sometimes surrounded by dense setulae, near the base of mid tibia; hind tibial comb absent. Male genitalia with ninth tergite large, not closely articulating with the genital capsule but enclosing it dorsally and laterally, usually with highly specific marginal structure. Stylomeres usually simple, bearing flattened terminal bristles.

Remarks. The long vein Sc ending in R distinguishes *Ectrepesthoneura* (including *E.gracilis*) from all other members of the Leini except *Docosia*, where the lateral ocelli are close to the eye margins, the posterior fork shorter, the genital structure is distinctive and the pleurotergites are usually hairy.

The European species of Ectrepesthoneura

With the exclusion of the Japanese species, the genus is at present known only from Europe and North America. No species are known to have a Holarctic distribution and the Nearctic species are considered separately below. Edwards (1940) established that the fossil genus *Meunieria* was congeneric and he also referred here five species described in *Tetragoneura* by Meunier (1904) from baltic amber.

Tetragoneura hirta Winnertz was the only included species until Edwards (1928) described gracilis from Corsica. Three other legs yellow except the tip of the hind femora and trochanters and apical orange bands on all tergites; leg structure is simple, the hind tibia $1.4 \times$ its femur with 12 a-d in a continuous row. The single Scottish female examined (INVERNESS: Inverdruie, 10.ix.1966, D. M. Ackland, HD) differs in some respects and may be *pubescens*; the abdomen is dark but for small apical patches on tergites 1-3 and the hind tibia is only $1.25 \times$ its femur with 14 a-d in a continuous row; the bare thoracic stripes are more shining, the yellow parts of the antennae brown marked and flagellar segments a little longer but not quite $2 \times \log$ as broad.

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Ectrepesthoneura colyeri sp.n.

Male. Head grey; palpi and proboscis yellow. Antennae with scape dark, pedicel and first flagellar segment yellow, this colour extended onto segments 2 and 3, rest of flagellum greyish brown. Flagellar segments about 1.5×10 ng as broad, shorter apically where antenna is more slender, but last segment $1.5 \times$ penultimate. Palpi with basal segment very short, broad; second and third segments broad, subequal in length; apical segment slender, cylindrical. Pale hair on frons and clypeus; long hairs on scape and pedicel, short grey hair on flagellum.

Thorax entirely grey, moderately shining on bare stripes between bristle rows; clothed with long pale bristles including biserial ac and pluriserial dc; long bristles on pronotum and proepisterna convergent behind head, rest of pleura bare. Two pairs of long yellow scutellars, laterals less than half length of apicals. Halteres yellow. Legs yellow except slight darkening beneath trochanters extended as shade onto basal third of femora 2-3. Femora 3 vaguely darkened on apical quarter.

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Wings faintly yellowish; veins yellowish except slightly browner costa and radial sector. Costa extended 0.7 distance from R5 to M1. R4 present, forming a small oblong radial cell, subequal in length to r-m. Sc ending in R at mid-point of section before base of Rs. R1 short, equal to produced part of costa, a little longer than r-m. Median fork begins level with R4; posterior fork almost sessile, beginning near base of wing. An slightly exceeding level of base of M1+2. All veins bear macrotrichia dorsally except h, Sc, M, M1+2, basal half of r-m (which bears 3-4 setulae apically) and bases of fork veins.

Abdomen thickly clothed with long pale hairs. Tergites black with orange yellow markings; 1-2 widely yellow at sides; 3-4 narrowly yellow at sides, extended dorsally as triangular areas on hind margins; 5 black with orange reflections, 6 entirely black. Venter yellow. Hypopygium dark yellowish brown (Figs. 11-12); ninth tergite with broad triangular cleft on apical margin forming two rounded lobes which are emarginate in lateral view.

Wing length 2.45–2.9 mm.

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Edwards (1925a) reviewed Zetterstedt's collection (UZI) and stated that the types of *Sciophila pubescens* were missing and *dissimilis* was represented by a damaged wing. Recent enquiries, however, resulted in the types of *pubescens* being found; these and the remains of *dissimilis* were examined. *S.pubescens* is a distinct species of *Ectrepesthoneura*, which is considered to be a senior synonym of *E.messaurensis* Plassmann (see below), while Edwards' opinion has been confirmed that *dissimilis* is a *Tetragoneura*, the posterior fork being narrowed towards the base as in *nitida* and some other exotic species.

Zetterstedt (1852) described dissimilis from a single female. The type (labelled 'Ratan, Jemtland, 17.8.40') comprises the damaged wing and the right fore leg. It has not been possible to identify it with any known species. A brief description follows:

Part of one wing except central area, slightly brown tinged; base damaged so Sc not visible and must be very short. Last section of R1 about as long as r-m; R4 present but faint, enclosing a narrow cell; R5 ending well short of level of tip of posterior branch of median fork; stem and base of median fork without macrotrichia; base of posterior fork very slightly beyond base of stem of median fork, narrowly tapered at base.

Key to European species of Ectrepesthoneura

1 Wings clouded broadly but faintly at tip, across middle of wing (from tip of R1 across stem of median fork) and along posterior branch of posterior fork; postradial veins well developed, including base of median fork and its stem; anal vein hare, ending opposite tip of Se and well before proximal end of r-m; R5 slightly sinuous, curved down at tip and ending distinctly beyond level of tip of M2; R1 long, portion beyond R4 about twice length of r-m and ending in costa well beyond tip of anterior branch of posterior fork. Hind tibiae with only about 6 p-d bristles.

- 2 Ninth tergite, covering hypopygium dorsally, apparently produced to a blunt median point. Hind tibiae with proximal and distal series of a-d bristles, only narrowly separated but end of first series marked by a stronger yellow bristle situated a little before middle of tibia. Palpi with second (first visible) segment swollen and as long as third segment. Abdomen may be entirely dark or with lateral orange markings . . hirta Winnertz
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- 3 Mid tibia only slightly swollen basally, distinctly shorter than its femur; hind tibia with a-d bristles widely separated into two groups on basal half and apical quarter without any distinctly stronger bristle. Ninth tergite with broadly bilobed apical margin reflexed laterally. Second and third palpal segments very broad and of equal length. Abdomen with orange lateral markings in material examined. colveri sp.n.
- Mid tibia more distinctly swollen basally and about equal in length to its femur: hind tibia with a-d bristles separated into a hasal and distal group, the last bristle of the basal group being distinctly larger. Palpi with basal segments less swollen, the second shorter than the third. Abdomen entirely dark in material examined...4
- 4 Hind tibia with a-d bristles restricted to basal half and apical third. Bare stripes of mesoscutum shining, broader than the rows of bristles separating them. Pedicel and base of first flagellar segment pale (as in *hirta* and *colyeri*). Ninth tergite with narrow median apical cleft and simply rounded laterally, *pubescens* (Zetterstedt)

It has not yet been possible to identify females (other than *gracilis*) although it is probable that most of the twenty-three English females examined belong to *hirta*. These have legs yellow except the tip of the hind femora and trochanters and apical orange bands on all tergites; leg structure is simple, the hind tibia $1.4 \times$ its femur with 12 a-d in a continuous row. The single Scottish female examined (INVERNESS: Inverdruie, 10.ix.1966, D. M. Ackland, HD) differs in some respects and may be *pubescens*; the abdomen is dark but for small apical patches on tergites 1-3 and the hind tibia is only $1.25 \times$ its femur with 14 a-d in a continuous row; the bare thoracic stripes are more shining, the yellow parts of the antennae brown marked and flagellar segments a little longer but not quite $2 \times$ long as broad.

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FIGS. 11–15. *Ectrepesthoneura*, male genitalia: *E.colyeri*: 11, ventral view; 12, dorsal view of ninth tergite; *E.pubescens*: 13, ventral view; 14, dorsal view of aedeagus; 15, ninth tergite.

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Ectrepesthoneura pubescens (Zetterstedt)

Sciophila pubescens Zetterstedt, 1860: 6559. Ectrepesthoneura messaurensis Plassmann, 1975: 10, syn.n.

The male (labelled: Tärna 56) is here designated lectotype and the female (labelled: Tärna) becomes a paralectotype but it is not in good condition and its conspecificity with the male is uncertain. Zetterstedt stated that both specimens were collected by Holmgren in July 1856. Through a loan obtained by Mr A. M. Hutson, I have examined the holotype of *messaurensis* and can confirm that it is synonymous. Plassmann's figures of the male genitalia agree except in the form of the ninth tergite, in which the median cleft is shown as broadly triangular; this is due to distortion of the tergite in the holotype.

Male. Mainly black with all hairs and bristles whitish yellow. Head grey dusted. Antennal scape dark; pedicel and base of first flagellar segment yellow, rest dark grey. Antennae long, flagellar segments at least twice as long as broad. Palpi pale yellow; basal segments slightly swollen, the second shorter than the third.

Thorax slightly shining, grey dusted except on four narrow bare stripes between bristled areas. Legs yellow; trochanters and extreme base of femora dark brown, also dark shades beneath base of fore femora and above tip of hind femora. Mid tibia approximately equal in length to its femur, with 4 a-d, 2 p-d, 3 short p near tip, 4-5 short weak p-v; swollen on basal third, at the distal end of this swollen part a discrete lens-shaped brown edged area bearing slightly longer close set setulae. Hind tibia $1.3 \times$ length of its femur, evenly enlarged to the tip, with 6 a-d on basal half (1 d near base) and 4-5 somewhat shorter a-d on apical third; a small irregular bare area just ventrad to the last of the first series; 16 p-d of variable length in a continuous row.

Wings very similar to *colyeri*; R1 slightly shorter than r-m and about equal to radial cell; costa extending 0.55 distance from R5 to M1; Sc reaches 0.6 distance to Rs; distribution of macrotrichia similar but 7 on apical three quarters of r-m.

Abdomen entirely black, slightly shining; hypopygium moderately large, ninth tergite with a deep narrow triangular cleft on its rounded apical margin (Figs. i3-15).

Wing length 2.8 mm.

Type material examined. Lectotype δ , SWEDEN: Tärna, vii.1856 (ex. J. W. Zetterstedt collection) (UZI). Paralectotype \Im , SWEDEN: Tärna (UZI). Holotype δ of messaurensis, SWEDEN: Messaure, 25.vi.1969 (SMFM).

Other material. 1 &, SCOTLAND, Highland Region, Inverness, Loch an Eilein, 29.v.1973, pine forest (P. J. Chandler).

Ectrepesthoneura hirta (Winnertz)

Tetragoneura hirta Winnertz, 1846: 19. Fig. 8. Ectrepesthoneura hirta (Winnertz); Enderlein, 1911: 155; Edwards, 1925b: 581, Fig. 212 (wing); Plassmann, 1974: 354, Figs. 2a-b, lectotype designation.

Winnertz (1846) did not indicate the type locality but Plassmann (1974) designated as lectotype a male from Krefeld (ex J. Winnertz' collection) in the Senckenberg Museum, Frankfurt-am-Main, and figured the genitalia so that the identity of the species is firmly established. A second male probably from the type series, which comprised several of both sexes, has been examined; it is labelled 'Rhénanie: Crefeld, J. Winnertz, ex coll. Laboulbène' (MNHN) and is also the species accepted as *hirta*.

The type of *Sciophila aliena* Walker (1856: 43) (BMNH) lacks one wing, the abdomen, most of the antennae and the front legs. Walker stated that it was a male but it is evidently a female according to the structure of the mid and hind legs. It is probably *hirta*.

Male. Body usually entirely dark, grey dusted on head and thorax; bare stripes between bristle rows not shining. Abdomen usually entirely slightly shining black, but a few examples have \pm extensive orange markings (sides of tergite 1, \pm broad triangles on posterior half of 2-3, 4-5 sometimes with small apical triangles). Antenna with pedicel and most of first flagellar segment yellow, rest dark; flagellar segments almost quadrate to $1.5 \times$ long as broad in some specimens. Palpi pale yellow with segments 2-3 distinctly broader than in *pubescens* but a little narrower than in *colyeri*.

Legs pale yellow; trochanters, shades beneath bases of all femora, extreme tip of mid femur, apical quarter of hind femur and narrowly at base of hind coxa dark brown. Mid tibia equal to its femur, with 3-6 a-d, 2-3 p-d, 4-6 short p near tip, 4 weak p-v; slightly swollen on basal third, with a small oval shining brown sensory area at the distal end of the swollen part, setulae slightly longer and coarser just basad to this area (Fig. 6). Hind tibia long, slender, $1.25 - 1.35 \times$ its femur, thickened on apical half; with 6 a-d (the last stronger, yellow) on basal half, 9-11 a-d on apical half with only a narrow gap between these series; a small oval shining bare area just below the yellow bristle; 1 d near base, 15–18 p-d (which may become biserial in middle), 8-12 short p on apical half.

Wings with R1 subequal to $1.3 \times$ radial cell. Sc reaches 0.6 distance to base of Rs. Costa extends 0.6-0.7 distance from R5 to M1. Cross-vein r-m has 6-7 macrotrichia on apical three-quarters. Stem of posterior fork may equal length of R4 or be almost sessile as in other species.



FIGS. 16–19. *Ectrepestioneura*, male genitalia: *E.hirta*: 16, ventral view; 17, ninth tergite; *E.bicolor*: 18, ventral view; 19, ninth tergite.

Hypopygium dark brown, with the tergite produced to a narrowly cleft triangular tip (Figs. 16 and 17).

Wing length 2.7–3.1 mm.

Type material examined. 1 d, Paralectotype, GERMANY: Krefeld (J. Winnertz) (MNHN).

Other material examined. 21 d, BRITISH ISLES: Kent, Surrey, Sussex, Hants., London, Herts., Oxon., Hereford, Cambs., Norfolk, Tayside (Perthshire) (Craighall, 4.vii.1977, I. F. G. McLean) and Down (A. H. Haliday, National Museum, Dublin, Ireland); 5 d, FRANCE: Var, Île de Port Cros; Drôme, Forêt de Lente; Haute Savoie, Mont Salève; Seine et Marne, Fontainebleau (MNHN); 2 d, CZECHOSLOVAKIA: Aš (Asch) (Kowarz) (HD).

The larger material has permitted a better idea of variation than in other European species. I reared 1σ , 13. iv. 1973 from fungusencrusted bark collected 18. iii. 1973 at Leckford, Hampshire. Winnertz recorded rearing his type material from both rotten beech wood and from *Coriolus versicolor*. The specimens reared by Matile (1964) from rotten pine wood at Port Cros included *hirta* and *gracilis*.

Ectrepesthoneura referta Plassmann

Ectrepesthoneura referta Plassmann, 1976: 73, Figs. 1 a-b.

Plassmann briefly described *referta*, based on 3 d from Sweden; the two males studied agree well with his figures of the genitalia.

Malc. Body entirely dark, grey dusted; all hairs and bristles pale whitish yellow. Antennae uniformly dark; flagellar segments a little more than $1.5 \times$ long as broad. Palpi pale yellow but terminal segment brown apically; segments 2 and 3 broadly flattened, the third elongate, $1.5 \times$ long as second.

Thorax slightly shining but bare areas between bristle rows dusted. Legs mainly yellow; darkened on extreme base of coxae, trochanters, a shade beneath bases of all femora and apical quarter of hind femora. Mid tibia swollen on basal two-fifths with at basal third a long oval brown sensory area shielded anteriorly by longer coarser setulae; 6 a-d of variable strength (second adjacent to sensory area more a), 1 short d or p-d proximal to sensory area, 3 strong p-d distal to it, 4 p on apical two-fifths, 7 weak p-v. Hind tibia with 6-7 a-d on most of basal half (the last of this series stronger and lighter brown, with a vague bare area distal to it and some setulae ventral to this area deflected); 7-9 a-d on more than apical two-fifths, leaving a narrow gap between the two series; 1-2 d near base; 16 p-d in main series but becoming biserial with about 10 weaker bristles ventral to them on apical half; 10 weak p on apical half; 4 short v. Mid tibia nearly equal to its femur in length; hind tibia 1.35 × its femur.

Radial cell long, a little shorter than r-m and R1 beyond R4 which are subequal; r-m with 9 macrotrichia (nearly to base); costa reaching 0.6 distance from R5 to M1; Sc ends in R at 0.6 of section before base of Rs. Posterior fork sessile. Hypopygium (Figs. 20 and 21) with large ninth tergite bearing small setose protuberance either side of shallow median cleft and large setose lateral flanges.

Wing length 3 mm.

Material examined. 1 d. CZECHOSLO-VAK1A: Krkonos Mts., Harrachov, R. Sejsky, 14.vi.1973 (S. J. Chambers and A. M. Hutson) (BMNH); 1 d, ITALY: Aosta, Valle de Cogne, 25.vi.1973 (L. Matile) (MNHN).



FIGS. 20-21. Ectrepesthoneura referta, male genitalia: 20, ventral view: 21, ninth tergite.

Ectrepesthoneura gracilis Edwards

Ectrepesthoneura gracilis Edwards, 1928:161, Fig. 1a.

[*Ectrepesthoneura hirta* (Winnertz); Matile, 1964: 6. Misidentification in part.]

Male. Body entirely dark grey dusted, with hairs and bristles mainly pale. Antennae with pedicel and base of first flagellar segment brownish yellow; elongate, with flagellar segments more than $2 \times \log$ as broad. Palpi dark yellow, only slightly swollen, second segment distinctly shorter than third. Halteres pale yellow but legs entirely dull brownish yellow including tibial spurs, although fore tibial comb yellow. Mesoscutum with four bare stripes between bristle rows undusted but only dully shining. Bristles shorter and a little darker than in other species. Only one pair of strong scutellars, outer pair less than half their strength. Legs long, tibiae very slender with mid and hind tibiae 4:3 compared with their femora. Mid tibia with 4 a-d, 0 p-d, about 10 short a-v; a small dorsal oval brown sensory area surrounded by a lens-shaped bare area between first and second a-d at basal quarter, on which tibia is very slightly thickened. Hind tibia slightly enlarged on apical quarter, with 6 a-d, 7 p-d (the basal more p, becoming more d apically), 6 short p on apical quarter, 3 short weak a-v.

Wings broadly but very faintly darkened at tip, a patch from tip of R1 across stem of median fork and a seam along posterior branch of posterior fork. Postradial yeins weaker than radial sector but better developed than in other species. Vein Sc long, ending in R0.6 distance to base of radial cell; latter shorter than r-m; R1 beyond R4 practically twice length of r-m, forming a narrow angle with costa, its tip beyond the level of the tip of Cu1. Vein R5 sinuous and strongly downcurved apically, ending distinctly beyond tip of posterior branch of median fork. Costa extending two-thirds distance from R5 to M1. Cross vein r-m less horizontal so basal cell broader than in other species. Posterior fork sessile. Macrotrichia present on fork veins except at base but absent from An, which ends opposite tip of Sc and distinctly before proximal end of r-m.

Abdomen slender. Hypopygium (Figs. 22 and 23) compressed, deeper than broad with small ninth tergite appearing fused to large capsule; stylomeres bilobed, the dorsal lobe with a comb of spines, the ventral lobe rounded and bristly.

Wing length 4 mm.

Female. Very similar in all respects but mid tibiae without sensory area; basal segment of cercus less elongate than other species and sternite 8 more rounded and less bristly.



FIGS. 22 23. Ectrepesthoneura gracilis, male genitalia: 22, dorsal view; 23, ventral view.

Type material examined. Holotype &, CORSICA: Corte, R. Restonica, 10-25.iv.1928 (F. W. Edwards) (BMNH).

Other material examined. 1 d, FRANCE: Var, Île de Port Cros, 4.xi.1963, reared ex rotten pine wood (*L. Matile*) (MNHN); 1 , same data, 27.x.1963.

The Nearctic species of Ectrepesthoneura

Tetragoneura bicolor Coquillett (1901) was transferred here by Shaw & Fisher (1952). Both sexes of bicolor, of which only the female had been described, and a large inaterial of another eastern Nearctic species, laffooni sp.n., have been examined. A single female of a third eastern form (North Carolina, ISUM) has been studied; it differs from all other species seen in having a long stem (equal to the stem of the median fork) to its posterior fork, which forks only slightly before the base of the median stem. It thus provides a possible link with Tetragoneura but is not described because of lack of associated males.

Several of the remaining ten Nearctic species described in Tetragoneura could potentially belong to *Ectrepesthoneura*; only T.nitida Adams (1903) certainly remains in Tetragoneura on the basis of possessing a short vein Sc ending free; material referable to nitida has been examined and its position in *Tetragoneura* confirmed. The other species are all described as having a long vein Sc ending in R. I have examined the types of three of them, i.e. T. pimpla Coquillett (1901), T.quintana Cole (1919) and T.longicauda van Duzee (1928). The two latter were described from males and I have examined a male probably conspecific with the female holotype of T.pimpla. These three species belong to Dziedzickia Johannsen sensu lato (Gnoristini). They are congeneric with each other but have genitalia of a different form to other species groups of Dziedzickia, including the European type-species *marginata* (Dziedzicki), and are not reassigned pending a revision of Dziedzickia and its relatives. Characters shared by them but atypical of *Dziedzickia* are a relatively short vein R1 (portion beyond R4 $2-2.75 \times$ length of r-m), Sc long but ending in R well before radial cell and bare pleurotergites. Most if not all of the fourteen Nearctic species hitherto placed in *Dziedzickia* have a longer vein Sc ending in the radial cell but some Neotropical species agree in a shorter Sc and bare pleurotergites. Their slender build and shorter posterior fork distinguish them from *Ectrepesthoneura*.

It has not been possible to examine the types of the six species, from western North America, briefly described but not figured by Garrett (1925) and Sherman (1921). Some of these are undoubtedly *Ectrepesthoneura*. I have examined a single male example each of three western Nearctic species of *Ectrepesthoneura*, which probably correspond to some of them but description of these is deferred; all are typical members of the genus, each with a characteristic marginal structure to the ninth tergite.

Ectrepesthoneura bicolor (Coquillett)

Tetragoneura bicolor Coquillett, 1901: 595.

Ectrepesthoneura bicolor (Coquillett); Shaw & Fisher, 1952: 199.

The conspicuously orange abdomen in both sexes distinguishes *bicolor* from all other known *Ectrepesthoneura* and *Tetragoneura* but it is remarkably similar in this respect to some sympatric eastern Nearctic species of *Docosia*, e.g. *dichroa* (Loew), otherwise a typical *Docosia*.

Male. Head and thorax shining black, more or less grey dusted. Abdomen entirely bright orange yellow but sternite 8 enclosing basal part of hypopygium pale yellow; hypopygium including tergite 9 mainly shining black but orange towards apical margin of tergite.

Clypeus brownish. Antennae with scape brownish yellow, pedicel and most of first flagellar segment paler yellow, rest of flagellum dark grey; flagellar segments about twice as long as broad. Palpi pale yellow. Halteres and legs deep yellow. Hair of abdomen, coxae and femora pale but long bristles of mesoscutum darker than in most species.

Mid tibia (Fig. 7) with 4--6 a-d, 3 on basal two-fifths which is strongly swollen around the well-marked sensory area which is rounded oblong, a narrow bare area surrounding a broad dark brown area densely clothed with setulae; 1 short d or p-d above this area, 2 strong p-d below it; 5 short p on apical half, 5-7 short p-v. Hind tibia $1.2 \times$ its femur with 5+8 a-d, a distinct median gap 0.15 length of tibia between series, the last of upper series stronger and yellow, surrounded by an irregular bare area; tibia constricted just beyond, then enlarged towards tip; 18-22 p-d, irregularly biserial on apical half; 6 short p on apical half and 4-5 short v.

Wings clear; Sc reaching just beyond 0.5 distance to base of Rs; costa reaching 0.5 from R5 to M1; radial cell narrow, oblong; R1 $1-1.5 \times$ as long as cell, r-m 0.8-1.5 of cell. M forks below R4; posterior fork sessile.

Hypopygium enclosed in large tergite 9, which has a medially notched rounded triangular central projection (Figs. 18 and 19).

Wing length 3 mm.

Female. Very similar, with abdomen including ovipositor entirely orange yellow. Tibiae simple, with hind pair evenly enlarged towards tip, a-d in complete series. Mid tibia with 6 a-d, 5 p-d, 4 short p near tip, 8 p-v. Hind tibia with 11-14 a-d, 20 p-d (biserial on apical half), 10-14 short p on apical half, 4-5 short v.

Wing length 3.5 mm.

Type material examined. Holotype φ , U.S.A.: New Hampshire, Franconia (*Mrs Slosson*) (USNM).

Other material examined. 1 d, 1 Q, U.S.A.:New York, Tuxedo, 29.v.1926 (A. L. Melander) (USNM); 1 Q, New York, Gowanda, 8.vi.1913 (M. C. van Duzee) (CAS); 1 d, Connecticut, Redding, 21.v.1932 (A. L. Melander) (USNM).

Ectrepesthoneura laffooni sp.n.

A common species in the forests of mountain areas in the eastern United States. Some examples had been misidentified as *bicolor* or *quintana* but it cannot be identified with any of the described species.

Male. Body mainly slightly shining black, grey dusted especially on thorax, clothed with whitish-yellowish hairs and bristles.

Clypeus orange brown. Scape brownish, pedicel and first flagellar segment pale yellow; rest of flagellum greyish brown but its clothing of white hair longer and denser than in the other species, hairs as long as diameter of segments which are at least twice as long as broad; three apical segments narrower and more elongate. Palpi clear yellow. Thorax with slight yellowish tinge on humeri and sometimes sides of mesoscutum. Halteres and legs clear yellow; trochanters and tip of hind femur brownish.

Mid tibia not swollen, with sensory area small, elliptical, on basal third of dorsal surface, involving only a small tuft of longer setulae in middle of bare area; 5 a-d, 3 p-d (beginning below sensory area), 5 short p near tip, 4–5 short v. Hind tibia $1.2 \times$ its femur; 11-13 a-d, not distinctly separated into two series and without any associated bare area or deflected setulae; 8–10 p-d, 5–7 short p near tip.

Wings clear; Sc reaching 0.5-0.6 distance to base of radial cell; costa ending 0.6-0.75distance from R5 to M1; radial cell oblong, varying in length and position so that R1 and r-m may be equal to it or up to $3 \times$ its length but usually relatively short. M-fork level with R4 but posterior fork sessile at base of M.

Abdomen mainly dark with ill-defined yellow markings on tergites 1-3 (usually most of 1 except tip dorsally, apical bands broadened laterally on 2-3, small apical triangle at side of 4; sometimes almost all 1-2 yellow, sternites yellow and even entire apical margins of 4-5; sometimes yellow restricted to lateral patches on 1-2). Hypopygium moderate sized, enclosed within tergite 9, which is dorsally keeled along a deep emargination dividing it into two only narrowly contiguous halves and compressed laterally where it is produced in blunt lateral prongs; mainly reddish brown but pale yellow at base below (Figs. 24-27). Claspers also differ in structure from other species, with reduced ventral stylomere, articulating dorsally with long strap-like flange corresponding to slender lateral process of *bicolor*.

Wing length 2.2–2.8 mm.

Holotype &, U.S.A.: New York, Hamilton Co., east foot of West Notch Mountain, 6.viii.1961 (R. J. Gagné) (ISUM).

Paratypes: U.S.A.: New York, 1 d, Shanty Brook, 5.viii.1961 (R. L. Deonier) (ISUM); 1 d, Lake Placid, 1.vii.1922 (J. M. Aldrich) (USNM); Iowa, 1 d, Ledges State Park, 31.v.1950 (J. Laffoon) (ISUM); Minnesota, 1 d, Itasca State Park, 2.ix.1950 (J. Laffoon) (ISUM); Tennessee, 1 d, Smoky Mountains, Chimneys, 25.vi.1941 (A. L. Melander) (USNM); North Carolina, 1 d, Macon Co., Highlands, 28.vi.1958 (J. Laffoon) (ISUM).



FIGS. 24-27. Ectrepesthoneura laffooni. male genitalia: 24, ventral view; 25, aedeagus; 26, ninth tergite, dorsal view; 27, lateral view.

Other material. 33 d (in poor condition), U.S.A.: New York, Pine Lake; Stoddard Hollow; Pennsylvania, Cook State Forest; New Hampshire, Franconia; Virginia, Mount Solon; Hogcamp Branch; Tennessee, Smokies-Laurel Falls, Mount Collins and Collins Creek; material with same data as types.

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