

A revision of the genus *Seeversiella* Ashe, 1986 (Coleoptera: Staphylinidae: Aleocharinae)

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Abstract

The Nearctic and Neotropical genus *Seeversiella* Ashe, 1986 is redescribed. Twenty seven new species of *Seeversiella* are described (*S. texana* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Texas, *S. sonomotoides* Gusarov, **sp. n.** and *S. liliputana* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Arizona, *S. fusca* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. tuberculicauda* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. nigriceps* Gusarov, **sp. n.** and *S. mexicana* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Mexico, *S. castanea* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Mexico and Honduras, *S. grandis* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Guatemala, *S. badia* Gusarov, **sp. n.** and *S. minima* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from El Salvador, *S. similis* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Honduras, *S. brunnea* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. curtipennis* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. lativentris* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. luridicollis* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. micralymma* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. impressicollis* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. sulcicollis* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. microphthalma* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. geostiboides* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. adusta* Gusarov, **sp. n.**, *S. flavida* Gusarov, **sp. n.** and *S. paramoana* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Costa Rica, *S. scabricollis* Gusarov, **sp. n.** and *S. furcativevtris* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Costa Rica and Panama, *S. brevipennis* Gusarov, **sp. n.** from Panama). *Atheta globicollis* Bernhauer, 1907 (distributed from southern Canada to Honduras) is transferred to *Seeversiella* and redescribed. *Seeversiella bispinosa* Ashe, 1986 is placed in synonymy with *S. globicollis*. A key for identification of species of *Seeversiella* is provided. The lectotype of *Atheta globicollis* Bernhauer, 1907 is designated. Geographical distribution of *Seeversiella* is discussed.

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Introduction

In his revision of North American Aleocharinae Seevers (1978) included in the key to genera a new genus. Seevers had not completed the revision before his death in 1965, and the new genus was not formally described. Lee Herman, who prepared the manuscript for