



Arvechamboides ocala, n. gen., n. sp., a new aniulinine milliped from peninsular Florida, USA (Julida: Parajulidae)

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Abstract

Arvechamboides ocala, **n. gen., n. sp.**, is proposed for a male aniulinine milliped in Marion County, Florida; no females are available. The genus is the fourth in the Parajulidae recorded from Florida, all representatives of the Aniulini, and the second known only from the state, the other being *Gyniulus* Loomis, 1963. The posterior gonopods of *Arvechamboides* possess both true and accessory prefemoral processes, the former being a feature of *Pseudojulus* Bollman, 1887, and the latter, a trait of *Arvechambus* Causey, 1963. The 8th sternum expands laterally into broad lobes as in *Arvechambus*, and the generic name reflects the shared anatomical features with this genus. "Sphaerotrichomes" are observed on the tibiae & tarsi of the 1st legs and are reported in retrospect for previously studied aniulinine genera.

Key words: Arvechamboides ocala, Arvechambus, Gyniulus, Pseudojulus, Parajulidae, Aniulini, Florida

Introduction

The parajulid milliped fauna of Florida, USA, is depauperate in comparison to other southeastern states. All genera known from the state belong to the Aniulini, and *Gyniulus* Loomis, 1963, occurring throughout the peninsula and in the western panhandle, is the dominant genus (Loomis 1963, 1968; Hoffman 1980, 1999; Shelley 2000a, 2001a). *Pseudojulus* Bollman, 1887, and *Arvechambus* Causey, 1963, occupy counties adjacent to Georgia & Alabama, with the latter ranging southward to Gainesville, Alachua County (Co.) (Bollman 1887a, b; Chamberlin & Hoffman 1958; Causey 1963; Hoffman 1992, 1999; Shelley 2001a, 2004). While recently perusing samples in the Florida State Collection of Arthropods (FSCA), Gainesville, I discovered a male from the Ocala National Forest, Marion Co., that clearly represents a new genus & species. It shares gonopodal features with both *Pseudojulus* & *Arvechambus* and thus constitutes unequivocal evidence of affinity between them; the configuration of the 8th sternum is shared with *Arvechambus*, hence the generic name.

Taxonomy (sensu Shelley (2003))

Order Julida Brandt, 1833

Superfamily Parajuloidea Bollman, 1893

Family Parajulidae Bollman, 1893

Subfamily Parajulinae Bollman, 1893