



On a little-known work by A.H. Haliday containing nomenclatural notes on Diptera genus-group names (Insecta: Brachycera)

In reviewing the Diptera literature for the earliest subsequent designations for genus-group names in Diptera as part of the Biosystematic database of World Diptera (BDWD) project (Thompson, 2006), I came across a lengthy review article by A.H. Haliday in *The Natural History Review* in 1855. In this work, Haliday reviews works on northern European Diptera by Zetterstedt, Staeger, Stenhammar, Wahlberg, Boheman, and Dahlman. His reviews include his own views on the status of various taxa proposed in these works including synonymies and his views on classification in comparing the taxa in these works with the British taxa. In his rather detailed review of Zetterstedt's works, Haliday gives type designations for nine genus-group names, with three of them earlier than previously recorded. I give notice of these earliest type-species designations here in the hope that it will provide useful information for the student of dipterology. The designations in Haliday (1855) are of the same type species as those designated by Rondani, so there is no change in taxonomic concepts of the three genus-group names listed here.

Phyllodromia Zetterstedt [EMPIDIDAE]

Phyllodromia Zetterstedt, 1837: 31. Type species: *Empis melanocephala* Fabricius, 1794 (as "*Tachydromia*"), by subsequent designation of Haliday (1855: 55).

Remarks: Rondani (1856: 148) designated the same species but is a later designation.

Current name: *Phyllodromia* Zetterstedt, 1837.

Wahlbergia Zetterstedt [TACHINIDAE]

Wahlbergia Zetterstedt, 1842: 51. Type species: *Tachina melanura* Meigen, 1824, by subsequent designation of Haliday (1855: 56).

Remarks: Rondani (1861: 151) designated the same species but is a later designation.

Current name: *Besseria* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

Wiedemannia Zetterstedt [EMPIDIDAE]

Wiedemannia Zetterstedt, 1838: 559. Type species: *Wiedemannia borealis* Zetterstedt, 1838 (in synonymy with *Heleodromia bistigma* Curtis, 1834), by subsequent designation of Haliday (1855: 55).

Remarks: Rondani (1856: 150) designated the same species but is a later designation.

Current name: *Wiedemannia* Zetterstedt, 1838.

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