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ON A SYNONYMY OF THE GENUS BOTHRIOCHLOAMYIA
(DIPTERA : CECIDOMYIIDAE)

This note is written to report new synonymy of the genus *Bothriochloamyia* Rao and Sharma.

Rao and Sharma (1977) erected a new genus *Bothriochloamyia* and *orientalis* as a type species for the midges bred from earheads of the grass *Bothriochloa pertusa* (L.) A. Camus. Close revision of the specimens and the perusal of the recent literature, especially Harris (1979), reveals that this genus is a synonym of *Contarinia* Rondani.

Further Drs. R. J. Gagne, P. Grover and K. M. Harris have also pointed out (per. comm.) that this genus is a synonym of *Contarinia*.

The proposed synonymy is as follows :

Cecidomyia subg. *Contarinia* Rondani, 1860 *Atti Soc. Ital. Sci. nat.* 2 : 289. Type species : *Tipula loti* de Geer, by original designation.

Stictodiplosis Kieffer, 1894, *Ann Soc. ent. Fr.* 63 (*Bull.*) : 28. Type species : *Contarinia*

(*Stictodiplosis*) *aequalis* Kieffer, by subsequent monotype (Kieffer 1898 : 61).

Sissudiplosis Mani, 1942, *Indian J. Ent.* 4 : 44. Type species : *Chatterjeei* Mani by original designation.

Bothriochloamyia Rao and Sharma, 1977, *Entomon.* 2 : 237. Type species : *Orientalis* Rao and Sharma by original designation
New Synonym.

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