

CLASSIFICATION OF THE FOSSORIAL, PREDACEOUS AND  
PARASITIC WASPS, OR THE SUPERFAMILY  
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## SUBFAMILY II.—Ephutinae.

This subfamily is readily separated from the *Mutillinae* by the difference in the abdomen, both sexes having the first segment much narrowed, or petioliform, and separated from the second by a more or less distinct constriction or furrow; it is never broadly sessile with the second as in the *Mutillinae*.

The group is based upon the genus *Ephuta*, Say, as I have restricted it, but not as defined by André. Say, in his original brief description, designated no type for the genus, but placed under it *three* species, namely, *Mutilla erythrina*, Klug; *M. scrupea*, Say, and *M. gibbosa*, Say. When I recognized the genus I designated as the type *E. scrupea*, Say, the only species I knew in both sexes. As I was the first to designate a type for it, my views should prevail; in fact, must prevail under the rules of zoological nomenclature.

The genus *Rhoptromutilla*, André, is *Ephuta*, Say, as I defined it under a new name.

Of my genus *Allomutilla* Mr. André says: "Ce genre a été fondé par Ashmead sur le ♂ de *D. melicerta*, a Smith, qui d'après l'auteur cité, présenterait cette particularité d'avoir les deux nervures récurrentes recues par la seconde cellule cubitale, or cette assertion est erronée, car chez le ♂ en question dont j'ai pu examiner plusieurs exemplaires, les nervures récurrentes sont recues comme d'ordinaire, par le 2e et 3e cellules cubitales."

My definition is correct, and André's several examples of *M. melicerta*, Smith, probably represent some other species. Radoszkowski, in *Horæ Soc. Ent., Rossicæ*, Vol. VI., 1869, Pl. 10, Fig. 4, gives a good figure of *M. melicerta*, Smith, and if Mons. André will consult this figure he will see that *the second cubital cell receives both recurrent nervures*, as I have stated. Another species figured by Radoszkowski, *Mutilla egregia*, Klug, also has the same venation and will fall into *Allomutilla*, Ashmead.