
A SYNONYMIC NOTE ON THE TRICHOGRAMMATIDÆ.

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Jassidophthora Perkins equals *Brachistella* Girault.
R. C. L. Perkins, in Bulletin No. 10, Entomological Series,
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ciation, Honolulu, 1912, on pages 17 to 19, describes the genus *fassidophthora* for *f. prima* as new to the family Trichogrammatidae of the Hymenoptera Chalcidoidea. As I have just completed a paper on the Australian forms of the family, describing a number of new genera, and also because I have in course of publication a new description of the genera of the family, it became necessary to examine at once the status of this new genus of Perkins. Unfortunately, it appears to be the same as my *Brachistella* described in 1911. As I will have fully explained elsewhere, the genera *Brachistella* and *Abbella* are much alike, closely related, differing only in the density of the discal ciliation of the fore wing, and *fassidophthora* agrees very well with the description of the former.

I am more anxious to come at the truth concerning this new genus, since I have been at fault in the original descriptions of both of my own genera, there being *two* ring-joints, instead of but the *one*, in the antennae of both. This is also true of *Itys* Girault. Full details are given elsewhere. The first funicle joint in *fassidophthora* is doubtless a second ring-joint and the antennae thus agree with those of *Brachistella*. It thus seems necessary to designate *fassidophthora prima* Perkins, *Brachistella prima* (Perkins), a species which appears to be valid. Perkins has, I think, been misled in this case by my own errors.