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## Raphignathoidea (Acari: Prostigmata)

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### Abstract

The mite superfamily Raphignathoidea (Acari: Prostigmata) is comprehensively revised. Keys to world families and genera of Raphignathoidea are included. The taxonomy, biology, and ecology of world Raphignathoidea are briefly reviewed. 76 species belonging to 20 genera and 5 families recognised as occurring in New Zealand, are diagnosed, keyed, and described. Known stages (if specimens available) of New Zealand raphignathoid species are described and illustrated with line drawings, and notes are provided on the taxonomic references, habitats, and distribution of each species.

The following 21 species are described as new: *Tycherobius aotearoa*, *Mecognatha parilis*, *Mecognatha rara*, *Raphignathus atomatus*, *Raphignathus crustus*, *Agistemus mecotrichus*, *Eustigmaeus eburneus*, *Eustigmaeus edentatus*, *Eustigmaeus ptilosetus*, *Mediolata delicata*, *Mediolata polyocularis*, *Mediolata whenua*, *Mediolata woodi*, *Mediolata xerxes*, *Mediolata zonaria*, *Mullederia procurrens*, *Mullederia scutellaris*, *Pseudostigmaeus schizopeltatus*, *Storchia hendersonae*, *Zetzellia biscutata*, and *Zetzellia spiculosa*. A new genus, *Scutastigmaeus* gen. n., is described. The following 3 new combinations are proposed for three species that were previously placed in *Stigmaeus*: *Scutastigmaeus confusus* (Wood), *Scutastigmaeus longisetis* (Wood), and *Scutastigmaeus montanus* (Wood).

Checklist of taxa Raphignathoid mites

### Superfamily Raphignathoidea

**Family Camerobiidae** Southcott

Genus **Neophyllobius** Berlese

**Neophyllobius sturmerwoodi** Bolland

Genus **Tycherobius** Bolland

**Tycherobius aotearoa** sp. n.

**Family Cryptognathidae** Oudemans

Genus **Cryptognathus** Kramer

**Cryptognathus striatus** Luxton

**Cryptognathus vulgaris** Luxton

Genus **Favognathus** Luxton

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**Favognathus leopardus** Luxton

Family **Mecognathidae** Gerson & Walter

Genus **Mecognatha** Wood

**Mecognatha hirsuta** Wood

**Mecognatha parilis sp. n.**

**Mecognatha rara sp. n.**

Family **Raphignathidae** Kramer

Genus **Raphignathus** Dugés

**Raphignathus atomatus sp. n.**

**Raphignathus collegiatus** Atyeo, Baker & Crossley

**Raphignathus crustus sp. n.**

**Raphignathus gracilis** (Rack)

Family **Stigmaeidae** Oudemans

Genus **Agistemus** Summers

**Agistemus collyerae** González-Rodríguez

**Agistemus longisetus** González-Rodríguez

**Agistemus mecotrichus sp. n.**

**Agistemus novazelandicus** González-Rodríguez

**Agistemus subreticulatus** (Wood)

Genus **Cheylostigmaeus** Willmann

**Cheylostigmaeus luxtoni** Wood

Genus **Eryngiopus** Summers

**Eryngiopus arboreus** Wood

**Eryngiopus bifidus** Wood

**Eryngiopus nelsonensis** Wood

**Eryngiopus similis** Wood

Genus **Eustigmaeus** (Berlese)

**Eustigmaeus brevisetosus** (Wood)

**Eustigmaeus clavigerus** (Wood)

**Eustigmaeus corticolus** (Wood)

**Eustigmaeus distinctus** (Wood)

**Eustigmaeus dumosus** (Wood)

**Eustigmaeus eburneus sp. n.**

**Eustigmaeus edentatus sp. n.**

**Eustigmaeus granulatus** (Wood)

**Eustigmaeus manapouriensis** (Wood)

**Eustigmaeus mixtus** (Wood)

**Eustigmaeus ptilosetus sp. n.**

**Eustigmaeus simplex** (Wood)

Genus **Ledermuelleriopsis** Willmann

**Ledermuelleriopsis incisa** Wood

**Ledermuelleriopsis spinosa** Wood

Genus **Mediolata** Canestrini

**Mediolata brevisetis** Wood

**Mediolata delicata sp. n.**

**Mediolata favulosa** Wood

**Mediolata mollis** Wood

**Mediolata oleariae** Wood

**Mediolata polyocularis sp. n.**

**Mediolata robusta** González-Rodríguez

**Mediolata simplex** Wood

**Mediolata whenua sp. n.**

**Mediolata woodi sp. n.**

**Mediolata xerxes sp. n.**

**Mediolata zonaria sp. n.**

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Genus **Mullederia** Wood  
**Mullederia arborea** Wood  
**Mullederia procurrens sp. n.**  
**Mullederia scutellaris sp. n.**

Genus **Primagistemus** Fan & Zhang  
**Primagistemus loadmani** (Wood)

Genus **Pseudostigmaeus** Wood  
**Pseudostigmaeus collyerae** Wood  
**Pseudostigmaeus longisetis** Wood  
**Pseudostigmaeus schizopeltatus sp. n.**  
**Pseudostigmaeus striatus** Wood

Genus **Scutastigmaeus gen. n.**  
**Scutastigmaeus confusus** (Wood)  
**Scutastigmaeus longisetis** (Wood)  
**Scutastigmaeus montanus** (Wood)

Genus **Stigmaeus** Koch  
**Stigmaeus arboricola** Wood  
**Stigmaeus brevisetis** Wood  
**Stigmaeus campbellensis** Wood  
**Stigmaeus luxtoni** Wood  
**Stigmaeus novazealandicus** Wood  
**Stigmaeus rotundus** Wood  
**Stigmaeus rupicola** Wood  
**Stigmaeus summersi** Wood

Genus **Storchia** Oudemans  
**Storchia hendersonae sp. n.**  
**Storchia robustus** (Berlese)

Genus **Summersiella** Gonzalez  
**Summersiella coprosmae** (Wood)

Genus **Zetzellia** Oudemans  
**Zetzellia antipoda** Wood  
**Zetzellia biscutata sp. n.**  
**Zetzellia gonzalezi** Wood  
**Zetzellia maori** González-Rodríguez  
**Zetzellia oudemansi** Wood  
**Zetzellia spiculosa sp. n.**

## Keywords

Arachnida; Acari; Prostigmata; Raphignathoidea; mites; new genus; new species; taxonomy; keys; biology; immature stages; biological control

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## Refbacs

- There are currently no refbacs.