

Review of: "[Mini Review] The Family Micropezidae (Insecta: Diptera)"

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Comments on the [Mini Review] The Family Micropezidae (Insecta: Diptera).

This manuscript by the author is well thought-out and interesting. However, there are major comments to make, including some text editing, rewriting, and suggestions in the margin. The illustrations are not fine, especially because they do not show any taxonomy part important to the recognition of the family and its genera. I would have liked to have seen images of these parts rather than drawings and low-quality pictures. In my opinion this manuscript lacks a clear structure, which detracts a bit from the impact of its main objective.

The title refers to a mini-review, but in the manuscript there is no information regarding family distribution, list of genera/species (if plausible), phylogenetic framework, evolutionary history, and so on. The abstract does not represent the entire manuscript at all.

In the objective the author is saying that it will verify the mimicry behavior of members of the family. However, in the following studies there is almost no information about mimicry, only more general aspects about the biology of some groups and general comments. It would be advisable to describe this phenomenon more appropriately, with the history of its description, importance, evolutionary relationships. Also, the author refers to members of the family as ants and wasp. Not. They are flies with most of its species similar in appearance to wasps and ants.

The last study is describing traps for capture some specimens. Interesting, but again, what about the main objective of verifying the mimicry behavior? The structure of the manuscript does not agree with the information presented.

Please, it is important to rewriting entire manuscript with a proper focus on the biology of the family. Certainly, it would be very useful and a good addition as a minireview rather than it is presented in current form.