

Review of: "Investigation of the families Asteiidae, Lauxaniidae, Mydidae, and Neriidae (Insecta: Diptera)"

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Dear author,

Although I received a notification that you published a new version of your article, I do not consider that you have included any of my previous recommendations, and there are still several errors in the presentation of your manuscript.

I invite you to restructure the information and try again when you have a better handle on the topic, since neither the content nor the structure in which you present it is ready for publication.

I hope this does not discourage you and that you have success in the future. I am sending you my comments again in case you find them useful.

Best regards.

1. The title is not informative; please change it.
2. I consider that the abstract is too long; it is best if you only include 250 words maximum. The use of references in the abstract is not correct.
3. Your introduction seems like an abstract. I think you need to add introductory information to the topic, since it does not match the information in the introduction and the objective.
4. In materials and methods, why did you only use three libraries if there are other databases? Elsevier, BioOne, SciELO, Google Scholar, Redalyc, PubMed, Oxford University Research Archive, BIBLAT, Web of Science, and Scopus. The articles were only published in these three?
5. The way that you present the results, I consider, is not new, since it only seems a summary of the available information and, for me, it is very confusing. I suggest that you include a table with the information, mainly part 4, Selected Manuscripts. I think this way may be clearer and more informative, since you have compiled all the information available so far.

Family	Subfamily	Genera	Species	Distribution (country, State, georeferences if possible)	Habitat (where you can find the specimens)	Ecology (e.g., pollination, necrophagous, predators, parasitoids, ectoparasitic, pathogens)	Methods of collection	References

(The information in the brackets are suggestions for the sections in the table)

Additionally, I think that it is necessary for you to include images in the section on biology and description to illustrate the structures that you are describing.

I believe that you should focus on a particular topic and strikingly highlight that information. As I mentioned before, I think you can use diagrams, tables, and/or drawings or photographs, since if you only give a summary, I do not consider it to be very new; since you can go directly to the article and read it, the information you are collecting must be arranged in such a way that your article provides reference information for the knowledge of these organisms. I suggest you do a novel restructuring, using all the information collected.

6. The information in your conclusion could be part of your introduction; in this section, it seems clearer why you chose these families. I consider it necessary that you include the information at the beginning.