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## Diagnostics Diagnostic

## PM 7/13 (2) Trogoderma granarium

## Specific scope

This standard describes a diagnostic protocol for *Trogoderma* granarium<sup>1</sup>.

## Specific approval and amendment

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Revised in 2013–09. This revision was prepared on the basis of the IPPC Diagnostic Protocol adopted in 2012 (Appendix 3 to ISPM 27). Although this EPPO Diagnostic Standard differs in terms of format it is fully consistent with the content of the IPPC Standard.

## Introduction

*Trogoderma granarium* Everts (2012) (Coleoptera: Dermestidae) is a stored product pest of great importance. Its economic importance lies not only in the serious damage it can cause to stored dry commodities, but also in the export restrictions faced by countries when they have established populations of this pest. Live populations can stay in uncleaned containers, packaging material and cargo holds for extended periods of time, infesting non-host material. *Trogoderma granarium* may also increase the likelihood of contamination by *Aspergillus flavus* (Sinha & Sinha, 1990).

Trogoderma granarium may have originated from the Indian subcontinent and it is now present in some areas of Asia, the Middle East, Africa and a few countries in Europe. It is one of the very few stored products pests with a limited distribution. It is found from 35° north latitude to 35° south latitude, but occurs mainly in regions near the equator in dry and hot environments. However, viable populations should be able to survive in almost any country in a closed storage environment. T. granarium has very limited ability to spread without human aid because it is unable to fly, so international movement of host commodities appears to be the only means of spreading the pest. It is very important to distinguish between records that relate to interceptions of the pest in imported commodities (i.e. its finding in the commodity during the border phytosanitary control without further spread) and those of established infestations (EPPO, 2011).

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## Trogoderma granarium usually occurs in various dry stored products of primarily plant origin. Primary hosts are cereals, buckwheat, cereal products, pulses, alfalfa, various vegetable seeds, herbs, spices and various nuts. It can also successfully complete its life cycle in copra, dried fruits and various gums, as well as many different dried products wholly or partially of animal origin, such as milk powder, skins, dried dog food, dried blood, dead insects and dried animal carcasses. As a pest it is most prevalent under hot dry conditions, where very heavy infestations can develop. In cooler, and also in hot and humid, conditions it tends to be out-competed as a pest by other species such as Sitophilus spp. and Rhyzopertha dominica (Fabricius). Commodities stored in bags in traditional warehouses are more at risk from this pest than commodities that are stored at bulk. There are important features of T. granarium biology that enable the pest to survive in harsh conditions.

Trogoderma granarium may have from one to more than 10 generations per year depending on food availability and quality, temperature and humidity. A complete life cycle may be as short as 26 days (temperature 32-35°C) or as long as 220 days or more in a suboptimal environment. In temperate climates larvae become inactive at temperatures below 5°C, so the pest is able to survive and breed only in protected environments. There are two genetic variations of larvae: those that are able to undergo facultative diapause and those that are unable to do so. Larvae of the first type are stimulated into diapause by adverse conditions such as low or high temperatures and/or lack of food. During diapause their respiration drops to an extremely low level leading to tolerance to fumigation. Diapausing larvae are also cold-hardy and may survive temperatures below  $-10^{\circ}$ C. When favourable conditions return, the pest is able

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Use of brand names of chemicals or equipment in these EPPO Standards implies no approval of them to the exclusion of others that may also be suitable.

to multiply rapidly and cause serious damage to the commodity (EPPO/CABI, 1997).

Trogoderma species other than T. granarium may also be found in stored products, but only some of these feed on such products. Among these species the biggest economic losses are caused by T. variabile Ballion, which may cause significant economic damage and is recognized as a quarantine pest in some countries. However, most Trogoderma species occurring in stored products appear to be scavengers, feeding on dead bodies of other insects. During a 12-year survey conducted in California, eight species of Trogoderma were found in stored seeds, animal feed and grocery commodities (Strong & Okumura, 1966). Mordkovich & Sokolov (1999) mention other Trogoderma species that may be found in stored products. Among them, T. longisetosum Chao and Lee has been noted as a stored product pest in China. It is very similar to T. glabrum (Herbst). Some tropical Trogoderma species may also be present in stored products (Delobel & Tran, 1993). One of such species is T. cavum Beal, which was described by Beal (1982) after examination of specimens infesting stored rice in Bolivia. Some species occurring in stored products closely resemble T. granarium.

For more general information on *T. granarium*, see the EPPO PQR database (EPPO, 2011) as well as Hinton (1945), Lindgren *et al.* (1955), Varshalovich (1963), Bousquet (1990) Kingsolver (1991), EPPO/CABI (1997), Pasek (1998), OIRSA (1999a), PaDIL (2011) and CABI (2011).

Diagnostic protocols for *T. granarium* have been published by two regional plant protection organizations – OIRSA (1999a) and EPPO (2002). The initial point for preparation of the IPPC protocol was the document issued by EPPO (2002).

#### Identity

Name: Trogoderma granarium Everts, 1898

Synonyms: Trogoderma khapra Arrow, 1917

Trogoderma koningsbergeri Pic, 1933

Trogoderma afrum Priesner, 1951

Trogoderma granarium subsp. afrum Attia and Kamel, 1965

Taxonomic position: Insecta: Coleoptera: Dermestidae EPPO code: TROGGA

Phytosanitary categorization: EPPO A2 list n°121

#### Detection

*Trogoderma granarium* has the following life developmental stages: eggs on the surface of grain and other stored products; larvae (5–11 instars) in stored products (larvae may be found in packing material or within storage structures); pupae in stored products, in the last larval exuviae (cast skins); adults in stored products.

Methods to detect *T. granarium* infestations include inspection, physical search, use of food baits and pheromone traps. Often the infested material contains only larvae

because (1) adult longevity is usually between 12 and 25 days (it can be as long as 147 days in unfavourable conditions), whereas larval longevity is usually 19–190 days (and can be up to 6 years in diapausing larvae); (2) most of the dermestid larvae occurring in stored products will partially or wholly consume dead adults; and (3) adults are most prevalent when conditions are favourable for population growth. Larval exuviae are usually not consumed so their presence is a clear indication of a possible active infestation. Larvae are extremely cryptic by nature, particularly diapausing larvae that may stay inactive for long periods in cracks and crevices where they are very difficult or nearly impossible to locate.

Many other dermestid species belonging to genera other than *Trogoderma* may occur in stored products. Members of *Dermestes* and *Attagenus* genera are frequently found feeding on materials of animal origin, such as dog biscuits, dried meat and dried blood. They also feed on rat, mice and bird carcasses. *Anthrenus* and *Anthrenocerus* species can be serious pests of wool and woollen products. In stored products heavily infested with other stored products pests, non-pest *Trogoderma*, *Anthrenus* and *Anthrenocerus* are usually found feeding on carcasses of these pests.

*Trogoderma granarium* infestations are usually recognized by (1) the presence of the pest (especially feeding larvae and exuviae) and (2) symptoms of infestation. The short-lived adults are sometimes not seen. Damage to the commodities can be a warning sign, but often it is a result of the feeding of other common stored product pests. Larvae usually feed first on the germ portion of cereal seeds and then on the endosperm. The seed coat is eaten in an irregular manner. In bulk commodities infestations usually concentrate in the surface layers, where numerous larval exuviae, broken setae and frass (excrement) are present (Fig. 1). However, larvae can occasionally be found as deep as 3–6 m in bulk grain. It is therefore important to consider biased sampling when inspecting for these types of pests.

Samples of suspect products have to be visually inspected in a well-lit area, using a 10 × Magnification hand lens. If appropriate, samples should be passed over sieves with aperture sizes relevant to the particle size of the products. Usually sets of sieves of aperture sizes 1, 2 and 3 mm are used. The sifted material collected on particular sieves should be placed in Petri dishes and examined under at least 10  $\times$  to 25  $\times$  magnification through a stereoscopic microscope to detect the pest. This screening technique allows the detection of various developmental stages of the pest. However, some larvae feeding within grains may remain undetected. Therefore, it may become necessary to heat samples to 40°C to drive pests out of the grains with an extractor tool such as a Berlese funnel, especially in case of heavy infestation. Visual inspection is preferable to sieving because the latter can easily destroy or seriously damage dead adults and larval exuviae rendering the morphological identification very difficult or impossible.

Inspections for this pest are particularly difficult in cases of low-level infestations. The larvae of Trogoderma species are most active at dawn and dusk. Populations can persist in small quantities of residues that may occur within a structure or mode of transport. Larvae in diapause can survive long periods without food. For diapausing larvae it is important to search under piles of dirt, flaking paint and rust and also in empty packaging materials such as hessian bags, tarpaulins and corrugated cardboard. Larvae are often hiding behind wall panelling, under internal lining, between floorboards, under insulation, on dry ledges, electrical cable trays and conduits, switch boxes etc. Because larval exuviae become airborne very easily, window sills, grilles of venting holes and spider webs must be checked. Rodent traps containing baits should be always inspected.

Additionally to initial inspections, it is possible to monitor the presence of *T. granarium* using various traps. Foodbaited traps (containing oil seeds, peanuts, wheat germ etc.) or attractant traps (containing wheat germ oil) can be used to attract larvae. Simple traps offering hiding places for the larvae, such as pieces of corrugated cardboard or hessian bag, can be placed on the floor. After monitoring, all the traps should be destroyed. Adults may be detected with the use of pheromone traps where the pheromone capsule is combined with a non-drying sticky trap. However, the *Trogoderma* pheromone traps are not species-specific and attract many species of dermestid beetles (Saplina, 1984; Barak, 1989; Barak *et al.*, 1990; Mordkovich & Sokolov, 2000). Traps baited both with pheromone and food bait are commercially available.

Insects found should be picked up carefully with small forceps or collected using an aspirator. It is important to collect multiple specimens of the pest. Identification of larvae is difficult, if the dissection of a single specimen is not successful and serious damage occurs to the mouthparts, exact identification is impossible. Specimens should be placed in 70% ethyl alcohol for preservation and safe shipping if the identification is not done immediately at the same locality.

#### Identification

The genus *Trogoderma* in recent years has been reported to include 117 species (Mroczkowski, 1968), 115 species (Beal, 1982), 130 species (Háva, 2003) and 134 species (Háva, 2011). There are many other species of *Trogoderma* yet to be described. Great caution needs to be exercised with the synonymies established because few of them are based on detailed comparison of the type specimens.

Identification of *Trogoderma* eggs and pupae based on external features is currently not possible. Insect eggs and pupae possess very few external features and therefore are poorly studied. Larval identification is difficult. It requires experience in identification and also good skills in dissection of small insects. Pupation takes place in the last larval cast. The larval exuviae can be used for identification, but one needs to be more cautious because the material is brittle. Adults are the easiest to identify, though misidentification is still common, so training in preparation, mounting and determination of *Trogoderma* specimens is required.

Adults in good condition can be identified by experienced staff using a stereomicroscope at  $10 \times to 100 \times$  magnification. However, for reliable identification it is recommended that the genitalia are always examined. Movement of the stored product, particularly cereals, will damage the dead adults. In most cases the legs and antennae will break off and also the setae on the elytra and pronotum will be rubbed off. In the case of a damaged specimen with missing body parts or morphological features not visible, identification should always be based on examination of the genitalia. Genitalia should be removed (see Procedure for preparation of adults) and mounted temporarily on a cavity microscope slide using glycerol, Hoyer's medium (50 mL water, 30 g gum arabic, 200 g chloral hydrate, 20 mL glycerine<sup>2</sup>) or similar mounting media.

For larval identifications the mouthparts should be dissected out (see Procedure for preparation of larvae and larval exuviae). The larval exuviae and dissected mouthparts should be mounted on a cavity microscope slide using Hoyer's medium (Beal, 1960) or other mounting media, such as polyvinyl alcohol (PVA). Details of mounting procedures are included in Appendix 1.

Adult and larval dissection can be performed under  $10 \times$  to  $40 \times$  magnification using a stereomicroscope. For the examination of genitalia and larval mouthparts, particularly the papillae of the epipharynx, a good-quality compound microscope is necessary and must be capable of  $400 \times$  to  $800 \times$  magnification in bright field and phase contrast. Use of higher magnifications ( $1000 \times$ ) may be necessary to achieve a more satisfactory resolution.

Methods have been developed for the identification of a limited number of pest *Trogoderma* species, using both immunological (ELISA test) and molecular techniques for specific purposes. As these methods still do not allow for a reliable and unequivocal distinction between *T. granarium* and other *Trogoderma* species that are likely to occur in stored products, they still cannot be used as quarantine diagnostic techniques for the determination of insect specimens found during inspection of stores and consignments of plant material in trade. Currently, research is being carried out this area in the USA and Australia.

#### Procedure for preparation of larvae and larval exuviae

Before dissection the larva should be examined under a stereomicroscope. Size, body colour, arrangement and colour of setae should be recorded. Use of microscope

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Some experts prefer Hoyer's mounting medium containing 16 mL of glycerine.

photography provides a record of material prior to disturbance via manipulation and handling and so allows for its independent interpretation.

Details of mounting procedures are included in Appendix 1.

#### Procedure for preparation of adults

Adult *Trogoderma* specimens may need to be cleaned before identification, with any laboratory detergent or using an ultrasonic cleaner. If the specimen was caught in a sticky trap the glue can be dissolved using a number of solvents (e.g. kerosene). These solvents can be removed from the specimen with any laboratory detergent.

Details of mounting procedures are included in Appendix 2.

Genitalia can be mounted on a microscope slide using Hoyer's medium or other mounting media such as PVA. The aedeagus should be mounted on a cavity microscope slide to keep its shape. Female genitalia can be mounted on a flat microscope slide.

Slides and pinned insects should be labelled immediately after mounting the specimens. The slides should be placed in an oven for at least 3 days at 40°C (the best slides are obtained after 2–4 weeks). After drying, all slides should be ringed [see Appendix 1 point (9)].

If there is no need for mounting the genitalia using a permanent or semi-permanent mounting agent, they can be examined in a drop of glycerol on a microscope slide. After the identification the organs can be placed in a microvial in a drop of glycerol or glued onto the cardboard rectangle next to the abdomen.

## Genera of the family Dermestidae frequently occurring in stored commodities

Besides *Trogoderma*, other dermestid genera may also be found in stored products, such as *Anthrenus*, *Anthrenocerus*, *Attagenus* and *Dermestes*. The first step of diagnosis of collected specimens is identification to genus. Adults of these beetles, and in some cases larvae, can be identified using at least one of the keys of Mound (1989), Haines (1991), Kingsolver (1991), Banks (1994), Háva (2004) and Rees (2004). Genera of the North American Dermestidae can be identified using the key of Kingsolver (2002).

The simple keys below (Key 1 and Key 3) quickly enable *Trogoderma* to be distinguished from four other dermestid genera commonly occurring in stored commodities. Distinguishing characters are illustrated in Figs 2–23. It should be mentioned that other genera of dermestid beetles may also be found in stores. These genera include *Thaumaglossa, Orphinus* and *Phradonoma* (Delobel & Tran, 1993). However, stores are not typical habitats for them, so they are not included in above-mentioned keys.

#### Differentiation of dermestid larvae

Dermestid larvae may be differentiated using a simple key (Key 1). Larval or exuvial specimens identified to *Trogoderma* genus with this key are very likely to belong to a species from this genus and therefore it is warranted to check the detailed list of their features listed in section Discriminating features of *Trogoderma* larvae.

If the diagnostic key being used was not specifically written to include the area of origin (and interception) of the specimens, the key should be used with caution as there are many undescribed species of Dermestidae worldwide.

Key 1: Simple key for differentiation of dermestid larvae

1	Urogomphi present on 9th abdominal segment, 10th segment sclerotized, cylindrical	Dermestes spp.
	Urogomphi absent, 10th abdominal segment not sclerotized	2
2	Dorsal surface without hastisetae, maxillary palp 4-segmented	Attagenus spp.
	Dorsal surface with hastisetae (Fig. 18A), maxillary palp 3-segmented	3
3	Posterior margins of abdominal terga sinuate, or emarginate, tufts of hastisetae placed on posterior membranous parts of terga, 8th abdominal tergum without tufts of hastisetae	Anthrenus spp.
	Posterior margins of terga not sinuate or emarginate, tufts of hastisetae placed on sclerotized tergal plates, 8th tergum with tufts of hastisetae	4
4	Posterior margins of terga not sinuate or emarginate, tufts of hastisetae placed on sclerotized tergal plates, 8th tergum with tufts of hastisetae	Anthrenocerus spp.
	Second and last antennal segments subequal, head of hastisetae less than three times as long as wide at widest point	Trogoderma spp.

#### Identification of Trogoderma larvae

There is no published key that covers all Trogoderma species. In part this is because there are still many undescribed species. Several keys have been published for the economically important species. Banks (1994) published a key to adults and larvae of the genus Trogoderma associated with stored products, as well as keys to larvae and adults of some species found in warehouses. Beal (1960) constructed an identification key to larvae of 14 species of Trogoderma from different parts of the world, including stored products pests. Mitsui (1967) published illustrated keys for identification of larvae and adults of some Japanese Trogoderma species. Kingsolver (1991) and Barak (1995) published keys to adults and larvae of some dermestid beetles, including a few Trogoderma species. Zhang et al. (2007) published a key for identification of eight economically important species in the genus Trogoderma.

### Discriminating features of Trogoderma larvae

Discriminating features of *Trogoderma* larvae below are adapted from Rees (1943), Hinton (1945), Beal (1954, 1960), Okumura & Blanc (1955), Haines (1991), Kingsolver (1991), Lawrence (1991), Peacock (1993), Banks (1994) and Lawrence *et al.* (1999a):

- body elongated, cylindrical, somewhat flattened, roughly six times as long as wide, nearly parallel-sided but gradually tapering toward rear part
- (2) head well developed, sclerotized, and hypognathous
- (3) three pairs of jointed legs present
- (4) pretarsal setae on the ventral side of claws unequal
- (5) very hairy, being covered with different types of setae: hastisetae, spicisetae and/or fiscisetae (Figs 18 and 20)
- (6) head of hastisetae not more than three times longer than wide (Fig. 20)
- (7) numerous hastisetae on all nota and terga, with prominent tufts of erect hastisetae inserted on the posterolateral part of the tergal plates of abdominal segments 6–8 (in Anthrenus genus the tufts of hastisetae are inserted on the membrane behind the sclerotized part of terga 5, 6 and 7)
- (8) urogomphi absent.

#### Identification of Trogoderma last instar larvae

Larvae of *T. granarium* (Figs 2C,D and 21) may be separated from other *Trogoderma* species occurring in stores using the following short key (Key 2). This key does not allow for identification of all *Trogoderma* species known to occur in stores. So, if necessary, larvae of other pest and a few non-pest species can be identified, or at least separated, with reasonable confidence using the keys of Beal (1956, 1960), Banks (1994) and Peacock (1993). Features of larval specimens identified to *Trogoderma granarium* species with this key should next be compared with the detailed list of this species' features in the section Discriminating features of *T. granarium* larvae and Description of *Trogoderma granarium* larvae.

Key 2: Identification key for Trogoderma granarium larvae

Epipharynx with 4 distal papillae, usually in a single sensory cup (Fig. 23A)	2
Epipharynx with 6 distal papillae in a	3
distal sensory cup; sometimes one or	
two papillae outside of the sensory cup	
(Fig. 23B, C)	
Terga uniformly yellowish-brown, without	Trogoderma
greyish pigmentation at base of large	granarium Everts
spicisetae; acrotergites weakly	
sclerotized; antecostal suture on 8th	
abdominal segment almost always	
absent (if present, faint and usually	
broken); setae occupying 50–75% of	
segment usually with a single seta or	
	sclerotized; antecostal suture on 8th abdominal segment almost always absent (if present, faint and usually broken); setae occupying 50–75% of the basal antennal segment, second

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no seta, apical segment with sensory	
pores in basal quarter; hastisetae	
morphology as in Fig. 20A, B	
Terga usually dark greyish-brown, at	Trogoderma
least at base of major spicisetae;	glabrum (Herbst)
acrotergites brownish, sclerotized;	
antecostal suture on 8th abdominal	
segment distinct; second antennal	
segment without setae; hastisetae	
morphology as in Fig. 20C, D	
Setae on basal antennal segment grouped	Trogoderma
on inner and inner-dorsal side leaving	variabile Ballion
the outer and outer-ventral side glabrous;	
on fully extended antenna setae on basal	
segment not reaching apex of the second	
segment, sensory pore(s) on apical	
antennal segments not in basal quarter;	
median small spicisetae on acrotergites	
not long enough to extend over the	
antecostal suture (Fig. 19C; compare	
with Fig. 19D); hastisetae (Fig. 20E, F)	
very sparse on thoracic and anterior	
abdominal terga (Fig. 19A); terga	
with single row of large spicisetae	
(Fig. 19B)	

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Larval identification should be considered unreliable if it is based only on one specimen, or exuviae or worn specimens. This is because in many species the intraspecific variation is such that in individual specimens features considered specific to the species may not be seen, while features specific to other species may be. In addition, large numbers of non-pest *Trogoderma* species occur in stored commodities and many of their characteristics are not well studied.

Other

Trogoderma spp.

Specimen without above combination

of characters

### Discriminating features of Trogoderma granarium larvae

Discriminating features of *T. granarium* larvae are as follows:

- (1) antennal segments subequal
- (2) setae of basal antennal segment occupying 50–75% of the circumference of the segment, reaching or surpassing apex of second segment, at least threefourths as long as the second antennal segment
- (3) second antennal segment of last instar usually with one seta or sometimes no seta
- (4) last antennal segment with at least one sensory pore in basal quarter
- (5) epipharynx (Fig. 22) with four papillae in distal sensory cup, usually in a single unit (Fig. 23A)
- (6) fiscisetae absent
- (7) mesally directed tergal setae absent
- (8) at least six small spicisetae on first abdominal tergum, posterior to antecostal suture, anterior to large spicisetae
- (9) anterior-median small spicisetae anterior to antecostal suture not long enough to reach over the suture

- (10) large median spicisetae on first abdominal segment smooth or covered with inconspicuous scales with tips smooth for at least four times the diameter of seta
- (11) antecostal suture of 8th abdominal tergum almost always absent, but if present, faint and interrupted
- (12) antecostal suture on 7th abdominal tergum faint or interrupted
- (13) no greyish pigmentation on sides of thoracic and other segments, not even at the base of large lateral spicisetae.

#### Description of Trogoderma granarium larvae

The first-instar larva (Fig. 2C) is 1.6-1.8 mm long and 0.25-0.3 mm wide. Body is uniformly yellowish-white, head and hairs are reddish-brown. The mature larva (Fig. 2D) is 4.5-6 mm long and 1.5 mm wide and body is reddish-brown. The larval body is covered with two kinds of hairs: spicisetae (Fig. 18B), in which the shaft is covered with tiny, stiff, upwardly directed, pointed scales; and hastisetae (Fig. 18A), in which the shaft is multi-segmented with spear-headed apex. Spicisetae are scattered over the dorsal surface of the head and body segments. Two groups of long spicisetae on the 9th abdominal segment form the tail. Hastisetae are found on all notal and abdominal segments, but on the last three or four segments they form distinctive, paired, erect tufts (Beal, 1960, 1991; EPPO/ CABI, 1997).

#### Identification of Trogoderma adults

#### Differentiation of dermestid adults

Dermestid adults may be differentiated using a simple key (Key 3). Adult insect specimens identified to *Trogoderma* genus with this key are very likely to belong to a species from this genus and therefore it is warranted to check the detailed list of their features in section Discriminating features of *Trogoderma* adult.

Key 3: Simple key for differentiation of dermestid adults

1	Median ocellus absent	Dermestes spp. (Fig. 15)
	Median ocellus present	2
2	Body covered with scale-like setae; antennal cavity filled by antennae, fully visible from anterior view (Fig. 14A)	Anthrenus spp. (Fig. 17)
	Body covered with simple setae, some of them whitish, flattened (ensiform) but never scale-like	3
3	Antennal cavity completely closed behind, antennal club 3-segmented and well defined	Anthrenocerus spp.
	Antennal cavity open behind or partially delimited by a posterior carina, antennal cavity much wider	4

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	than antennae, not visible in	
	anterior view	
4	Antennal cavity open behind, posterior	Attagenus spp. (Fig. 16)
	margin of hind coxa angulate, first	
	segment of posterior tarsus shorter	
	than second segment	
	Antennal cavity carinate posteriorly,	Trogoderma spp.
	posterior margin of hind coxa straight,	(Figs 2A, 4A and 14B)
	arcuate or sinuate, first segment of	
	posterior tarsus longer than second	
	segment	

#### Discriminating features of Trogoderma adults

The features below are adapted from Hinton (1945), Beal (1954, 1960), Okumura & Blanc (1955), Haines (1991), Kingsolver (1991), Lawrence & Britton (1991, 1994), Peacock (1993), Banks (1994), Lawrence *et al.* (1999b) and Háva (2004):

- body ovate, densely setose, setae simple, usually 2–3 different types, recumbent, yellowish-white slightly flattened, sword-shaped setae
- (2) presence of median ocellus
- (3) pronotum without lateral carina
- (4) antennal cavity of anteroventral surface not, or only slightly visible in anterior view (Fig. 14B)
- (5) antennal cavity carinate posteriorly at least to half of length and open laterally
- (6) prosternum forming a 'collar' anteriorly
- (7) mesosternum deeply divided by sulcus
- (8) posterior margin of hind coxal plate curved or sinuate, never angulate
- (9) first segment of hind tarsus longer than second segment
- (10) antennae short, 9–11-segmented, with a 3–8-segmented club, antennal outline usually smooth or rarely flabellate, terminal segment never disproportionately enlarged
- (11) tarsi of all legs 5-segmented.

#### Identification of Trogoderma adults

The following short key (Key 4) should be used to distinguish adult T. granarium from some other Trogoderma species frequently occurring in stored commodities. This key does not allow for identification of all Trogoderma species known to occur in stores. So, if necessary, other species, not included in the key, can be identified with the keys of Beal (1954, 1956), Kingsolver (1991), Banks (1994) and Mordkovich & Sokolov (1999). These keys include species occurring in stored products and therefore may be used for identification of Trogoderma adults. It should be noted that identification of adult sex of various Trogoderma species is practically possible only after dissecting their genitalia (for morphology of male and female genitalia, see Figs 11 and 12). Checking of external distinguishing features as antennal club morphology should be performed on specimens surely identified to sex.

Features of adult specimens identified to *Trogoderma* granarium species with this key should be next compared with the detailed list in the section Discriminating features of *Trogoderma granarium* adults and the description in adult description in section Description of *Trogoderma granarium* adults.

#### Key 4: Identification key to Trogoderma granarium adults

1	Dorsal pubescence unicolorous	Non-pest Trogoderma spp.
	Dorsal pubescence not unicolorous but with pattern or pubescence completely rubbed off; (ensiform setae in addition to yellowish- and reddish-brown setae)	2
2	Elytra without well-defined pattern, unicolorous or vaguely mottled	3
	Elytra with well-defined lighter and darker areas (Fig. 3)	4
3	Integument black, rarely with vague brownish maculation, basal loop, submedian and subapical bands formed by yellowish and whitish, ensiform setae; antennae always 11-segmented, male antennal club 5–7-segmented, female 4–5-segmented; 5th sternite of male with uniform, recumbent setae	Trogoderma glabrum (Herbst) (Fig. 6B)
	Integument light reddish-brown, often with indistinct lighter maculation, scattered ensiform setae rarely forming 2–3 indistinct bands; antennae usually 11-, rarely 9- or 10-segmented, male antennal club 4–5-segmented, female 3–4-segmented; 5th sternite of male with apical patch of dense, coarse setae	Trogoderma granarium Everts
4	Elytral integument with distinct light basal loop Elytral integument with distinct bands	5
-	and spots only	
5	Anterior margin of eyes distinctly emarginated Anterior margin of eyes straight or slightly sinuate	<i>Trogoderma inclusum</i> LeConte (Fig. 6D) 6
6	Basal loop never connected to the antemedian band	<i>Trogoderma variabile</i> Ballion (Figs 4A–C, 5 and 6H)
	Basal loop of elytral maculation connected to the antemedian band by a longitudinal band or bands ( <i>T. inclusum</i> with less obvious emargination of eyes may hav out here)	<i>T. simplex</i> Jayne (Fig. 6F), <i>T. sternale</i> Jayne (Fig. 6G), <i>T. versicolor</i> (Creutzer) (Fig. 6I)
7	key out here) Elytral integument with three well- defined (basal, submedian and apical) fasciae, setae on fasciae largely white, ensiform with very sparse yellowish recumbent	Trogoderma angustum (Solier) (Fig. 6A)
	Elytral integument with well-defined basal band and median or posterior spot (Fig. 5, left)	Trogoderma variabile (reduced pattern)

In general, elytral fasciae of *Trogoderma* species usually form a more or less complete basal loop, antemedian and median bands and apical spots. Some specimens have a reduced elytral pattern where the basal loop is indicated by curved anterior band, antemedian and/or median bands by small spots, and apical spots are usually missing.

For positive identification, all (especially in the case of damaged specimens) of the discriminating features should be observed (see section Discriminating features of *Trogo- derma granarium* adults).

Genital dissections should be carried out because there is a large number of undescribed *Trogoderma* species; by examining the genitalia, the chances of misidentifications are significantly reduced.

Maximova (2001) provides additional features for separating of adults of *Trogoderma granarium* from *T. variabile* and *T. glabrum*. Size and morphology of hind wings can be useful for identifying damaged specimens and although considering these two characteristics is not mandatory, it helps to increase the certainty of identification based on other features (Figs 9 and 10). During dissection hind wings must be removed and mounted in glycerol or Hoyer's medium.

Hind wings of *T. granarium* are smaller (mean length is 1.9 mm as compared with 2.5 mm for *T. variabile* and *T. glabrum*); they are paler in colour with less visible venation; number of setae S1 on costal vein (mean = 10) is half that on *T. variabile* and *T. glabrum* (mean = 20–23); number of small setae S2 between costal vein and pterostigma (mean = 2, sometimes absent) is less than that for *T. variabile* and *T. glabrum* (mean = 8; Figs 9 and 10).

Discriminating features of Trogoderma granarium adults

Adults of *T. granarium* are oblong-oval beetles, 1.4-3.4 mm long and 0.75-1.9 mm wide. The head is deflexed, head and pronotum darker than elytra, legs and abdomen are brownish. The elytra are brown. Females are slightly larger than males and lighter in colour.

To identify the adult stages of *T. granarium* correctly, specimens should correspond to the characters used to identify the family Dermestidae, the genus *Trogoderma* and the species *granarium*. These characters are as follows:

- elytral cuticle unicoloured, usually light brown or reddish-brown, or vaguely mottled without a clearly defined pattern
- (2) elytral setae predominantly brown (yellowish or white setae forming no clearly defined banded pattern may also be present; these setae are gradually rubbed off as the beetle moves around and the adult thus develops a shiny appearance)
- (3) antennae with 9–11 segments; male antennal club with 4–5 segments; female antennal club with 3–4 segments (Figs 7 and 8)

- (4) inner eye margin straight or sinuate
- (5) male abdominal tergum 8 more or less evenly sclerotized, with setae along its margin sometimes tending to be grouped medially; tergum 9 with proximal margin of broader section almost U-shaped; tergum 10 with many long setae
- (6) serrate sclerites of bursa copulatrix of female small, not longer than corrugated part of spermatheca, with 10–15 teeth (Figs 12 and 13A)
- (7) male genitalia with bridge straight, and evenly wide, broader at connections to the parameres (Fig. 11A,D).

*Description of Trogoderma granarium* adults The adult stage of *T. granarium* is illustrated in Fig. 2A,B.

#### Adult male

#### Body

Length 1.4–2.3 mm (mean 1.99 mm), width 0.75–1.1 mm (mean 0.95 mm), ratio of length to width about 2.1:1. Head and pronotum dark reddish-brown; elytra reddish-brown, usually with indistinct lighter reddish-brown fasciae. Venter of thorax and abdomen reddish-brown; legs yellowish-brown.

#### Setae

Dorsal surface with evenly distributed, coarse, semi-erect, yellowish-brown and few, scattered, dark reddish-brown setae, with the colour of setae corresponding to the colour of the cuticle beneath; pronotum medially and laterally with indistinct patches of yellowish-white, ensiform setae, elytra with two or three indistinct bands of yellowish-white, ensiform setae. Ventral surface with dense, simple setiferous punctures, which are denser on ventrites, setae fine, short, recumbent, yellowish-brown.

#### Head

Punctures large, largest anteriorly, ocellate, separated by a distance of about the diameter of one to five punctures, surface between them shiny. Antennae yellowish-brown, 9-, 10- or 11-segmented with 4- or 5-segmented club. Antennal fossa shallow, loosely filled in by antenna. Eyes medially straight, or sometimes slightly sinuate.

#### Thorax

Anterior margin of pronotum with row of yellowish-brown, coarse setae pointing to middle of anterior margin, setae on anterior half of disc pointing backward, on posterior half pointing to the scutellum. Punctures slightly larger and more dense along anterior and lateral margins, and medially, otherwise small, simple on disc and separated by about 2–4 diameters.

Posterolateral end smooth, shining, otherwise very finely and densely punctured. Prosternum densely punctured, sides of posterior process straight and gradually tapering to apex.

Elytra densely punctured by setiferous punctures, punctures small, denser laterally, on disc separated by 2–4 diameters, laterally by 1–2 diameters.

Hind wings with vague venation; mean number of larger setae S1 on costal vein is 10, mean number of small setae S2 between costal vein and pterostigma is 2, but sometimes these are missing (for additional details see Fig. 9).

Tibiae with small spines along outer edge. Proximal segment of hind tarsus about same length as second; distal segment about twice as long as fourth segment.

#### Abdomen

First ventrite with or without weak femoral lines. Ventrites covered by fine, yellowish-brown, recumbent setae, posterior half of penultimate ventrite with very dense, coarser, semi-erect, dark yellowish-brown setae.

#### Genitalia

Distal end of median lobe of aedeagus shorter than apices of parameres. Parameres wide, with sparse, short setae on inner and outer margins, setae extending to half the length of aedeagus. Paramere bridge is located at about one-third of the total length from distal end, straight distally and proximally, bridge is as wide as or wider than aedeagus at crossing, basal process is tapered.

#### Adult female

#### Body

Length 2.1–3.4 mm (mean 2.81 mm); width 1.7–1.9 mm (mean 1.84 mm); ratio of length to width about 1.6 : 1.

Antenna sometimes <11-segmented, club 3-4-segmented.

Posterior half of penultimate ventrite without a dense fringe of semi-erect, yellowish-brown, coarse setae.

Other external morphological characters as in male above.

#### Genitalia

Bursa copulatrix with two small, dentate sclerites, length of sclerites equal to or shorter than the length of the corrugated part of spermatheca.

#### **Reference material**

Specimens are available at:

Centre de Biologie et de Gestion des Populations, Montferrier-sur-Lez, France, UMR 1062. AGES, (Institute for Sustainable Plant Production, Department for healthy plants in Field Crops and Horticulture), Spargelfeldstrasse 191 A-1220 Vienna, Austria.

#### **Reporting and documentation**

Guidelines on reporting and documentation are given in EPPO Standard PM7/77 (1) *Documentation and reporting on a diagnosis.* 

### Performance criteria

When performance criteria are available, these are provided with the description of the test. Validation data are also available in the EPPO Database on Diagnostic Expertise (http://dc.eppo.int), and it is recommended to consult this database as additional information may be available there (e.g. more detailed information on analytical specificity, full validation reports, etc.).

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## Appendix 1 – Details of mounting procedure for larvae

For identification the larvae should be mounted in Hoyer's medium or other mounting media such as PVA on a micro-scope slide using the following method:

- First, place the specimen on a microscope slide; it is best done ventral side up in order to preserve the diagnostic characters.
- (2) Cut open the whole body along the mid-line from under the head capsule to the last abdominal segment using eye surgery scissors.
- (3) Next put the larva into a test-tube containing 10% potassium hydroxide (KOH) solution and heat in a boiling water bath until larval tissues loosen and begin to separate from the cuticle.
- (4) Rinse thoroughly in warm distilled water.
- (5) Remove all internal tissues using a very fine, short hair brush or the convex surface of a hooked tip of a no. 1 insect pin, or a loop formed from a micropin. All setae should be removed from one side of the 7th and 8th abdominal segment; stains such as acid fuchsin or chlorazol black may be used to make the analysed structures more visible.
- (6) Remove the head capsule and put it back in the hot KOH solution for 5 min. Rinse the head capsule in warm distilled water. Dissection of the head can be performed in a few drops of Hoyer's mounting medium or glycerol on a microscope slide or in water in an excavated glass block. Turn the head ventral side up and hold it to the glass with a blunt no. 1 insect pin.
- (7) Remove the mandibles, maxillae and labial palpi using jeweller's forceps and micropins. Remove the epipharynx and antennae, which may be additionally stained with a stain such as acid fuchsin or chlorazol black. Mount the head capsule and the mandibles in the cavity of the slide using Hoyer's medium or another mounting media. Mount the cleared skin, fully opened on the flat part of the microscope slide, next to the cavity. It is usually best done ventral side up. Epipharynx, antennae, maxillae and labial palpi should be mounted with the skin under the same cover slip. Mount all body parts on the same microscope slide.
- (8) In the case of larval exuviae, before proceeding with the dissection soak the specimen in a 5% solution of

any laboratory detergent for about two hours and rinse thoroughly in distilled water. Cut the specimen open anteriorly and dissect out the mouthparts. They can be mounted directly in Hoyer's medium without clearing.

- (9) Label slides immediately after mounting specimens and place them in an oven for at least 3 days at 40°C to improve their quality (the best slides are obtained after 2–4 weeks). After drying, ring the slides using any lacquer recommended for sealing of microscopic slides (e.g. Glyptal, Brunseal), or at least two layers of nail polish in order to prevent the Hoyer's medium from drying and possibly damaging the specimen. However, microscopic slides may be examined immediately after preparing.
- (10) Permanent slides can be made using Euparal or Canada balsam for mounting, but these require a laborious dehydration process.

# Appendix 2 – Details of mounting procedure for adults

Before beginning the preparation, soak the adult in warm distilled water for about an hour. Perform the preparation in the following way:

- (1) First remove abdomen while the specimen is still in the water using fine forceps. Dry the specimen (minus abdomen) and mount it on a cardboard rectangle, preferably laterally. The specimen will be less exposed to damage and accessible for both dorsal and ventral examination if it is glued on the side.
- (2) Next cut the abdomen laterally open, leaving the last abdominal segment untouched. Place it in a 10% KOH or sodium hydroxide (NaOH) solution in a hot water bath for about 10 min.
- (3) Rinse the specimen in water and carefully remove the genitalia using hooked micropins. After removing the genitalia the abdomen should be glued onto the same cardboard rectangle with the insect, ventral side facing up.
- (4) The genitalia need to be macerated further in the caustic solution. Separate the aedeagus from the periphallic tergum and the 9th abdominal segment using micropins. They may be stained with a stain such as acid fuchsin or chlorazol black to make them more visible.

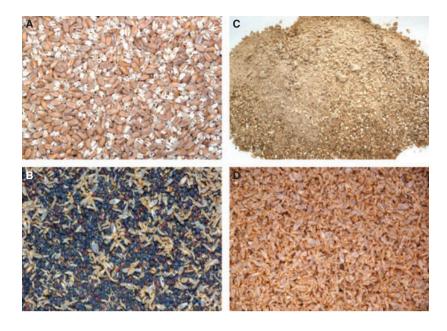


Fig. 1 Symptoms of infestation of stored products with Trogoderma granarium: (A) damaged wheat grain; (B) infested rape seeds; (C) totally destroyed wheat grain (dust and remains of grains); (D) larval exuviae (cast skins) contaminating stored product (Paweł Olejarski, Instytut Ochrony Roślin -Państwowy Instytut Badawczy, Poznań, Poland).

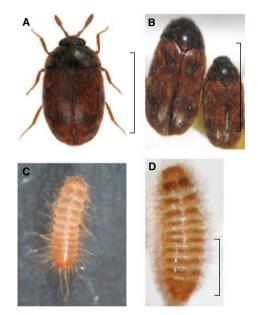


Fig. 2 Trogoderma granarium: (A) adult, female; (B) comparison of shape of female (left) and male (right); (C) young larva; (D) mature larva. Scale bar: (A, B, D) 2 mm; (C) 1 mm. (A, Tomasz Klejdysz, Instytut Ochrony Roślin - Państwowy Instytut Badawczy, Poznań, Poland; B, D, Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo Russia; C, Cornel Adler, Julius Kűhn-Institut; (JKI) Germany).



Teukton







Inclusum typical pattern

reduced pattern







Ornatum

Grassmani typical pattern

expanded pattern

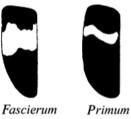




Fig. 3 Trogoderma spp. elytral pattern (Beal, 1954).

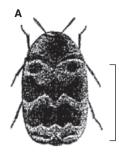


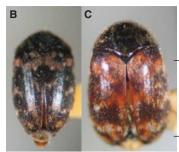






Angustum







**Fig. 4** *Trogoderma variabile*: (A) schematic drawing of the adult; (B) male; (C) female; (D) larva. Scale bar = 2 mm. (A, OIRSA (1999b); B–D, Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo, Russia).



Fig. 5 Elytral pattern of *Trogoderma variabile: left*, reduced pattern; *centre*, typical; *right*, expanded (Beal, 1954).

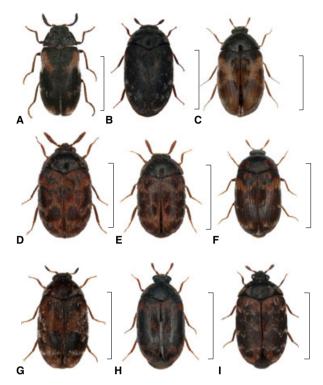
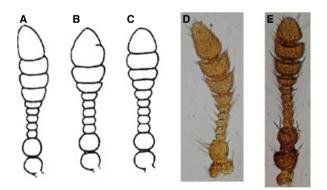


Fig. 6 Comparison of females of some *Trogoderma* non-granarium species: (A) *T. angustum*; (B) *T. glabrum*; (C) *T. grassmani*; (D) *T. inclusum*; (E) *T. ornatum*; (F) *T. simplex*; (G) *T. sternale*; (H) *T. variabile*; (I) *T. versicolor*. Scale bar = 2 mm. (Tomasz Klejdysz, Instytut Ochrony Roślin – Państwowy Instytut Badawczy, Poznań, Poland).



**Fig. 7** Antennae of *Trogoderma granarium*: (A, D) male antenna with normal number of segments; (B) female antenna with reduced number of segments; (C, E) female antenna with normal number of segments (A–C, Beal (1956); D, E, Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo, Russia).

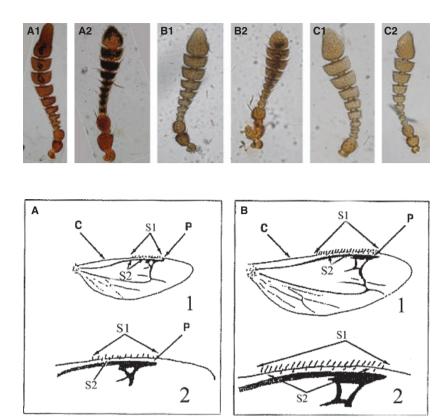


Fig. 8 Antennae of some *Trogoderma* species: (A) *T. variabile*; (B) *T. glabrum*; (C) *T. teukton*; 1, male antenna with normal number of segments; 2, female antenna with normal number of segments (Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo, Russia).

Fig. 9 Schematic representation of the morphology of the hind wing: (A) *Trogoderma granarium* (Maximova, 2001), with up to 14 S1 setae on costal vein (mean = 10 S1), and 2–5 S2 setae, or with no S2 setae, between costal vein and pterostigma (mean = 2 S2); (B) *Trogoderma variabile* and *T. glabrum* with 16 or more than 16 S1 setae. Details: 1, general morphology of the wing; 2, enlarged anterior part of the wing (C, costal vein; P, pterostigma; S1, setae on costal vein; S2, small setae between costal vein and pterostigma). The number of S2 setae is not used for the diagnosis because this character is not known for other species.

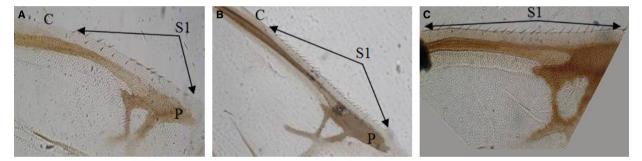


Fig. 10 Morphology of hind wings: (A) *T. granarium*; (B) *T. glabrum*; (C) *T. variabile* (Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo, Russia).

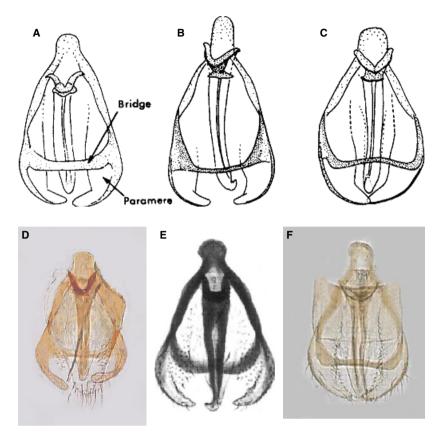


Fig. 11 Male genitalia: (A, D) Trogoderma granarium; (B) T. inclusum; (C, F) T. variabile; (E) T. glabrum (A–C, Green (1979); D–F, Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo, Russia).

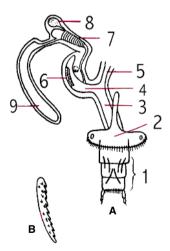


Fig. 12 Female genitalia of *Trogoderma granarium*: (A) general view of genitalia; (B) one of the serrate sclerites from the bursa copulatrix (Varshalovich, 1963). Details: 1, ovipositor; 2, 7th abdominal sclerite; 3, vagina; 4, bursa copulatrix; 5, oviduct; 6, two serrate sclerites on bursa copulatrix; 7, corrugated part of spermatheca; 8, spermatheca; 9, accessory glands.

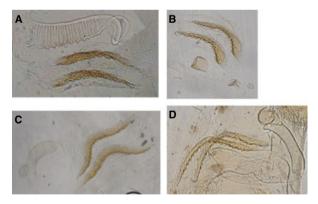


Fig. 13 Serrate sclerites from the bursa copulatrix of female genitalia of various *Trogoderma* species: (A) *T. granarium*; (B) *T. variabile*; (C) *T. glabrum*; (D) *T. teukton* (Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo, Russia).

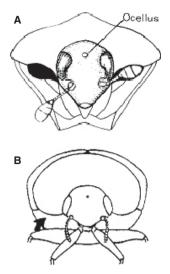


Fig. 14 Antennal cavity: (A) antennal cavity clearly visible in anterior view (*Anthrenus*), antennae fully filling the cavity; (B) antennal cavity not visible in anterior view (*Trogoderma*), antennae loosely fit in the cavity (A, Mound (1989), copyright: Natural History Museum, London, UK; B, Kingsolver (1991)).

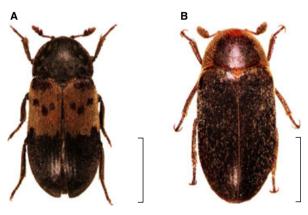


Fig. 15 Adults of *Dermestes* species: (A) *D. lardarius*; (B) *D. maculates.* Scale bar = 2 mm. (Marcin Kadej, Instytut Zoologiczny, Uniwersytet Wrocławski, Wrocław, Poland).

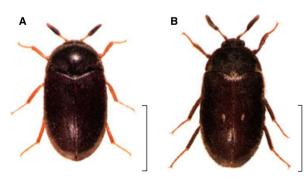
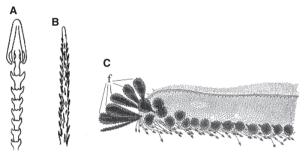


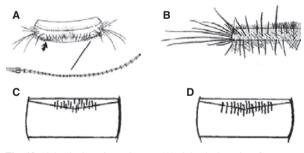
Fig. 16 Adults of *Attagenus* species: (A) *A. unicolor*; (B) *A. pellio*. Scale bar = 2 mm. (Marcin Kadej, Instytut Zoologiczny, Uniwersytet Wrocławski, Wrocław, Poland).



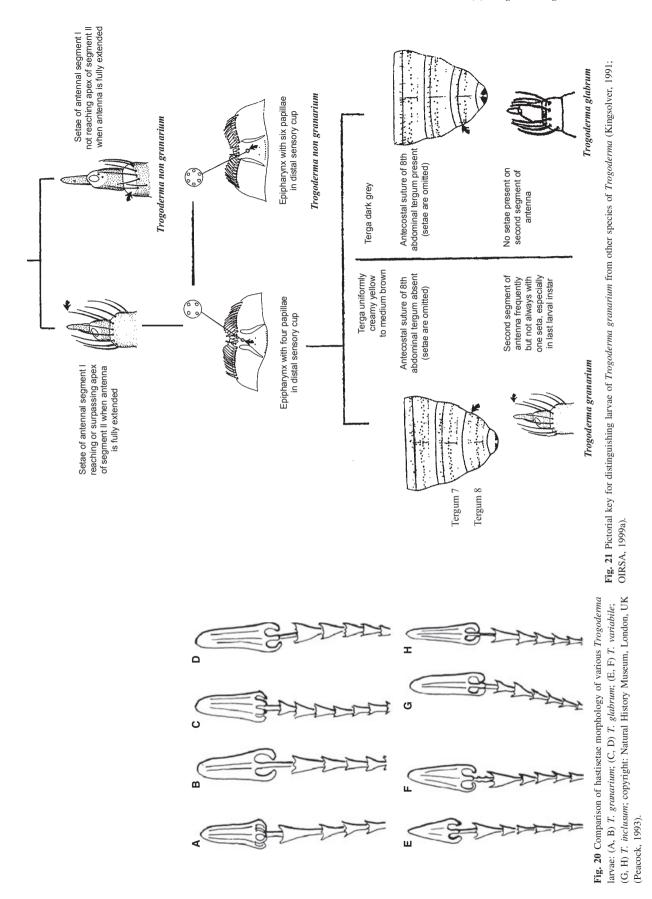
**Fig. 17** Adult of *Anthrenus verbasci*: Scale bar = 2 mm. (Marcin Kadej, Instytut Zoologiczny, Uniwersytet Wrocławski, Wrocław, Poland).

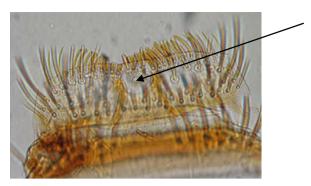


**Fig. 18** Larval setae: (A) hastiseta; (B) spiciseta; (C) fiscisetae (f) on first abdominal tergum of *Trogoderma carteri* larva (A, B, Varshalovich (1963); C, Beal (1960)).



**Fig. 19** Abdominal tergite and setae: (A) abdominal tergite of *Trogoderma variabile* larva with enlarged hastiseta; (B) first abdominal tergite of *T. variabile* larva; (C) setae of the anterior portion of first abdominal tergite not long enough to extend caudally over the antecostal suture (*T. variabile*); (D) the same setae long enough to extend caudally through the antecostal suture (*T. non-variabile*) (A, Kingsolver (1991); B, Beal (1954); C, D, OIRSA (1999a)).





**Fig. 22** Epipharynx of *Trogoderma* sp. larva with a distal sensory cup marked with an arrow (Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo, Russia).

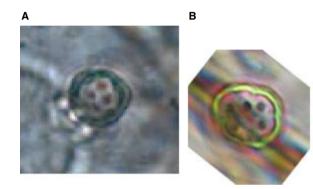


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Fig. 23 Distal papillae: (A) four distal papillae in sensory cup of *T. granarium* larva; (B) six distal papillae in *T. variabile*; (C) six distal papillae in *T. glabrum*. (Ya.B. Mordkovich and E.A. Sokolov, All-Russian Plant Quarantine Centre, Bykovo, Russia).

## CORRIGENDUM

## Corrigendum for PM 7/13 (2) Trogoderma granarium

It has been brought to the attention of the EPPO Secretariat that a key in the EPPO Standard PM 7/13 (EPPO, 2013) on *Trogoderma granarium* should be corrected.

In key 1 (Simple key for differentiation of dermestid larvae) the first option of couplet 4

4	Posterior margins of terga not sinuate or emarginate, tufts of hastisetae placed on sclerotized tergal plates, 8th tergum with tufts of hastisetae	Anthrenocerus spp.
should b	be replaced by	

4 Second antennal segment about twice as long as last segment, head of hastisetae at least three times *Anthrenocerus* spp. as long as wide at the widest point

## REFERENCE

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