

The male bees with the shortest and narrowest wings (*Boopobombus*), with their smaller wing area, should, on the other hand, be expected to weave their wings more rapidly in flight. This view seems to be supported by field observations. See here Trans. Amer. Ent. Soc., LXXX, p. 46, 1954.

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Forelifidis M. R. Smith a Synonym (Hymenoptera: Formicidae)

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Dr. M. R. Smith has recently (1954, Bull. Brooklyn Ent. Soc. 49: 17) proposed the new name *Forelifidis* for the preoccupied *Martia* Forel (*nec* Ragonot). In so doing, he has overlooked the prior name *Oxyepoecus* Santschi (1926, Folia Myrmec. Termit. 1: 6), with the genotype *Oxyepoecus bruchi* Santschi, 1926 (*loc. cit.*). *O. bruchi* is the *Martia bruchi* of authors (see Kusnezov, 1952, Acta Zool. Lilloana 10: 717-722 for references to *Martia* Forel). The name *Oxyepoecus* Santschi is reinstated for *Martia* Forel *et auct.* (*nec* Ragonot), and *Forelifidis* M. R. Smith is its **new synonym**.

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