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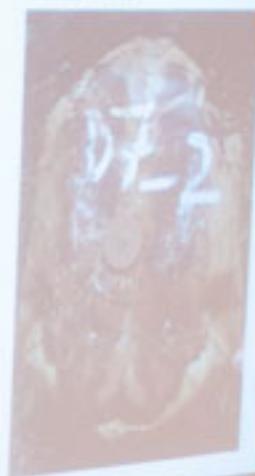
I. Velocity trials results

$V_{\text{males}} = 3.98 \text{ m/min}$, $SD = 1.98$

$V_{\text{males}} = 2.51 \text{ m/min}$, $SD = 1.57$

$N_{\text{males}} = 10$

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Conclusions

- The p_{road} is higher for females
- The mean d_{road} suggest that roadkill doesn't threaten yet the tortoise viability in Romania
 - But local declines can occur because road mortality might act synergistically with other threats
- The more affected populations are located along high traffic roads
 - Road segments that bisect attractive habitat patches are hotspots of road mortality























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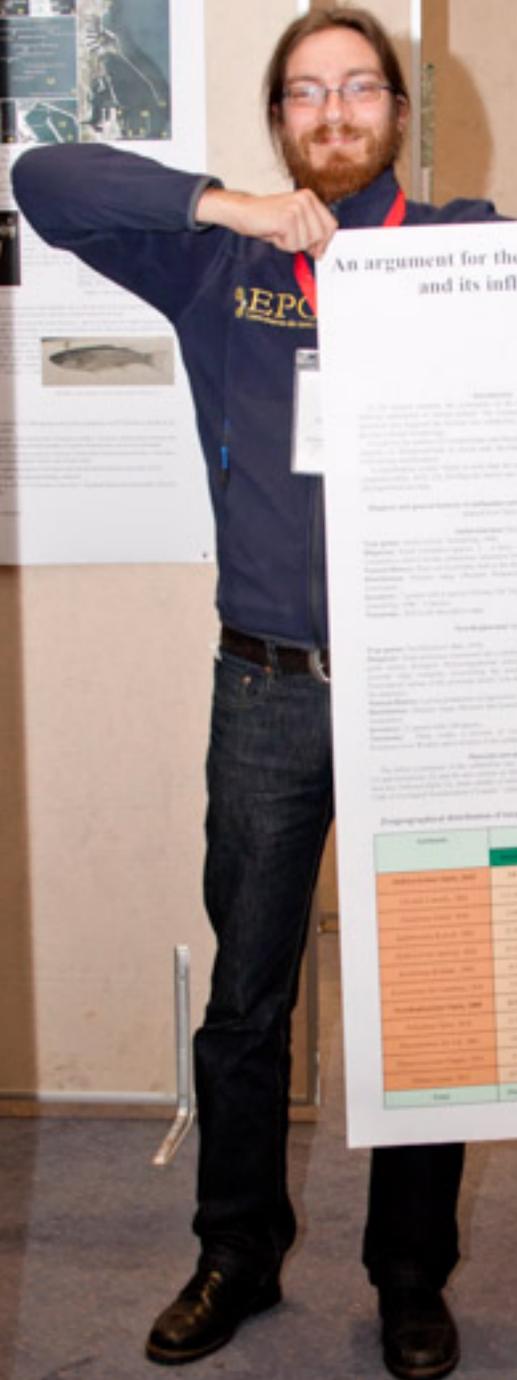












An argument for the adoption of Opitz's Cleridae classification system and its influences on the Romanian taxa systematics

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EPC
European Phylogenetic Classification

Abstract
 The Cleridae classification system proposed by Opitz (1992) is based on a set of 10 characters, which are considered to be synapomorphies of the Cleridae. This system is compared with the traditional classification system of the Cleridae, which is based on the number of segments of the antennae. The results show that the Opitz system is more parsimonious and better reflects the evolutionary relationships among the Cleridae species.

Keywords: Cleridae, classification, Opitz, synapomorphies, evolutionary relationships.

Introduction
 The Cleridae are a large family of beetles, with over 10,000 species. They are characterized by their long antennae and their ability to dig into the soil. The traditional classification system of the Cleridae is based on the number of segments of the antennae. However, this system is not always consistent with the evolutionary relationships among the species.

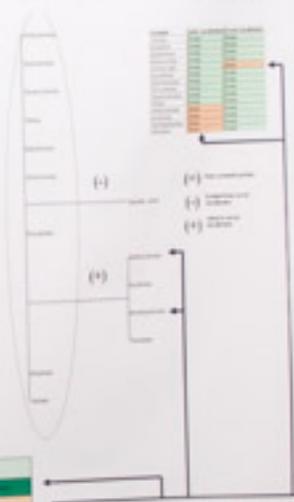
Materials and Methods
 The Opitz system is based on 10 characters, which are considered to be synapomorphies of the Cleridae. These characters are: 1) the shape of the pronotum, 2) the shape of the elytra, 3) the shape of the abdomen, 4) the shape of the legs, 5) the shape of the wings, 6) the shape of the head, 7) the shape of the thorax, 8) the shape of the abdomen, 9) the shape of the legs, and 10) the shape of the wings.

Results and Discussion
 The results of the analysis show that the Opitz system is more parsimonious than the traditional system. It also better reflects the evolutionary relationships among the Cleridae species.

Conclusions
 The Opitz system is a more reliable and parsimonious classification system for the Cleridae. It should be adopted as the standard system for the classification of this family.

Comparative data from Opitz's system

| System | Number of genera/species per system | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------|-------------|
| | Opitz | Traditional | Opitz | Traditional |
| Subfamily 1 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 2 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 3 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 4 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 5 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 6 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 7 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 8 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 9 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Subfamily 10 | 10 | 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 1000 | 1000 |



Legend
 (+) Character present, (-) Character absent

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 Opitz, H. (1992). A new classification system for the Cleridae (Coleoptera: Cleridae). *Systematic Entomology and Biogeography*, 17, 1-10.
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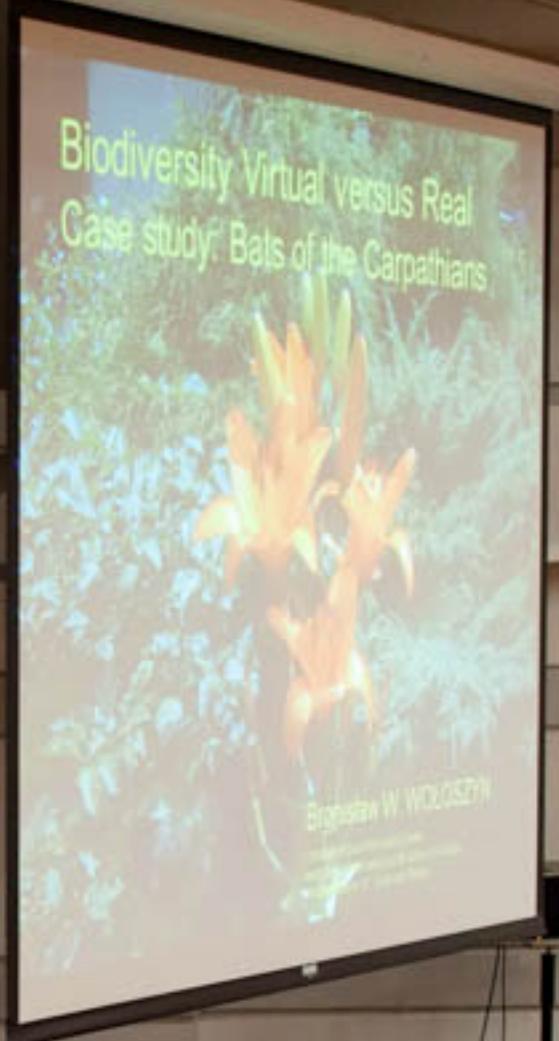












Biodiversity Virtual versus Real
Case study: Bats of the Carpathians

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Biological communities are not commonly considered at different levels. Species richness is the number of species in a community, and each one of these species has a particular importance within the community —









I. Introduction

- ↗ listed in Annex II of the Habitats Directive;
- ↗ flagship species in protection of the freshwater species;
- ↗ the industrial development, from socialist era, led to a decline of the otters population;
- ↗ After 1990s, natural restocking determined the increasing number and the expansion of the otter population in Romania.



III. Methodology

- Adapted standard method recommended by IUCN/SSC Otter Specialist Group;
- Otter distribution survey was to the identification of spraints, trails, anal jelly or other signs that indicate the presence of species.













2. Lynx lynx in Putna-Vrancea Natural Park

1. "Best practices and demonstrative actions for conservation of Ursus arctos species in the eastern Carpathians, Romania"
2. "Enhancing the protection system for large carnivores in Vrancea County", "Conservarea in situ a carnivorelor mari din judetul Vrancea"
3. "In situ conservation of large carnivores from Vrancea County"



- Habitat assessment
- Awareness/Educational Activities
- Animal Rescue Mobile Unit
- Monitoring of large carnivores and prey
- Large Carnivores Rehabilitation and Monitoring Centre

www.carnivorecenter.ro

A man in a light-colored shirt stands at a podium on the left side of the stage, facing the audience.

A man in a dark shirt sits at a desk in the center of the stage, looking towards the screen.

A man with white hair sits in the foreground on the right, looking towards the stage.

4. Using Extract Compare image recognition software to compile a lynx recordings database for wildlife management improvement



<http://www.conservationresearch.co.uk>











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