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Larvae of Ground Beetles of the Genus Carabus L. (Coleoptera, Carabidae) of the Fauna of Russia and Neighboring Countries*

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Abstract Larvae of 162 species of the genus *Carabus* were studied using modern techniques. The general morphology and chaetotaxy are described in detail. Principles of homologization of the sensitive structures are worked out. A key to 53 subgenera is provided.

Keywords Coleoptera, Carabidae, Carabus, larval description

Larvae of the genus Carabus are the best studied among larvae of ground beetles. In the first half of the 19th century works dedicated to their morphology were published (Brulle 1835 etc.) The next studies were concerned chiefly with the morphology and ecology of individual species and only in 1905 was the first summaries on larvae of this genus published (Lapouge, 1905) Several regional summaries on larvae of Carabidae appeared later, including the genus Carabus (Bengtsson, 1927, Larsson 1941, Sharova, 1958, 1964, Sturani, 1962, Hűrka 1971, Mikhavlov, 1978) The only attempt at using larval characters for developing system of the genus was in a paper by Lapouge (1929) based on study of larvae of 55 species. A recently published key to larvae of European species of Carabus (Arndt, 1985) includes 53 species.

Among 272 species of the genus living in the former Soviet Union (O. I. Kryzhanovskiy personal communication) data on larvae were available only for 54 species. My studies have revealed and identified larvae of 108 additional species.

In the process of accumulation of data on larvae of this genus identification by the use of a small number of traditional morphological characters became more difficult making it necessary to use new characters for the identification and construction of a key to subgenera of larvae of the genus Carabus

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MORPHOLOGY OF LARVAE OF THE GENUS CARABUS

In the systematics of larvae of the genus mainly macromorphological characters were used (Fig. 1). After works of Canadian entomologists (Goulet, 1977; Bousquet and Goulet, 1984) the techniques of investigation of detailed morphology of larvae of Carabidae (chaetotaxy and microsculpture) considerably increased the number of used characters. However, the chaetome of larvae of Carabus differs from the typical chaetome in this family in general so much that pure topological criteria used by the Canadian researchers do not result in reliable identification of setae. Study of the chaetome of larvae of Carabus became complex because of considerable sclerotization of their integument, reduction of several setae associated with this (= trichoid sensillae), and also because of the presence of numerous secondary sensillae and supporting structures, spines, and bristles on ventral sclerites and legs. For the study of delicate morphology of several larvae of Carabus 1 used a solution of glycerine according to standard technique (Goulet, 1977). Their study enabled me to work out criteria of distinctive primary and secondary sensilla and established topological regularities of position of various sensilla according to places of attaclument to the cuticle of muscles and endoskeleton.

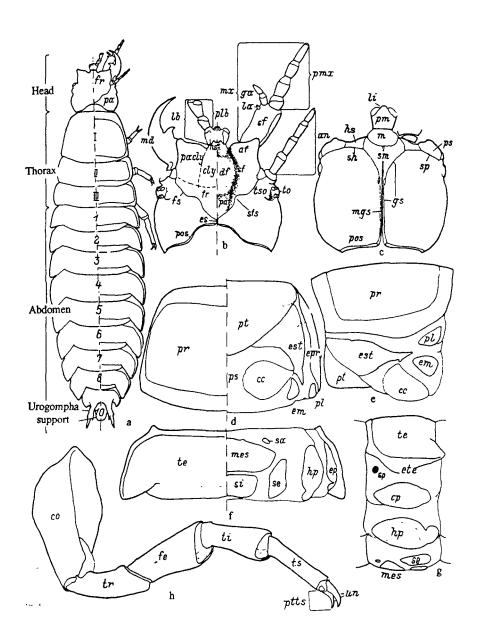
Primary sensilla, appearing ontogenetically earlier (Bousquet and Goulet, 1984), are probably a necessary minimum of sensitive structures of larva and are represented by trichoids with many neurons, basoconical, acetabulate, and placoid structures. Secondary sensilla usually appear at a later time in the process of ontogenesis and are predominantly specialized structures with 1 or 2 neurons. In association with these primary sensilla of any type that differ from secondary sensilla in shape and size of the cuticular canal (Fig. 2a, b). Even in those cases wherein secondary sensilla reach considerable size (for example, supporting spines), they retain specific shape of the pore canal (Fig. 2c). Secondary sensilla are also characterized by irregular, mostly asymmetrical position on the sclerite.

Cephalic chaetome. The head of larvae consists of 3 sclerites divided by 3 sutures: frontal, epicranial (= posterior coronal suture), and medigular, which are lines of separation of sclerites during molting (Du Porte, 1960; Hinton, 1963) and mostly do not coincide with true sutures appearing as a result of fusion of head segments. Short proximal branches of the frontal suture, anterior and posterior frontal sutures, remains of gular, occipital, hypostomal, and postgenal (pleurostomal) sutures (Fig. 1b, c) may be considered as true sutures. In all remaining cases borders between head segments may be determined only as accessory markers and often are very conditional (Fig. 3).

The chaetome of the head capsule in general reflects its segmentary composition when taking into account the specifics of the group (Fig. 3). Thus, increase of the area of attachment muscles causes reduction of sensilla $PA_{4,5,6,b}$, and shortening of the proximal part of get. leads to complete or partial reduction of $PA_{10,c}$. The chaetome of the frontal sclerite is relatively less changed, only sensillae $FR_{1,a}$ (located in the area of the anterior tentorial pit, site of attachment of pretentorium forming here anterior [= dorsal] mandibular articulation) are very reduced. Among other primary sensillae $FR_{c,f}$ are most often reduced. $FR_{10,11}$ and 11 are represented by small spines entirely submerged into the cuticle. An increase in number of cephalic setae in larvae of species of Carabus is observed only as an exception.

The chaetome of cephalic appendages differs from the generalized type (Bousquet and Goulet, 1984) in the presence of accessory setae on the 2nd segment of antennae, 1st and 3rd segments of maxillary palpi, 1st segment of galea, and labial palpi; reduction of setae $MX_{4,9,11,12}$; and modification of large apical sensilla of antennae, palpi, and galea (Fig. 4). The highly developed groups of setae gLA and gMX are very typical, the latter one with so-called split-branch shape (Fig. 4n).

Chaetome of thoracal segments. The chaetome of ventral sclerites in general fits the general-



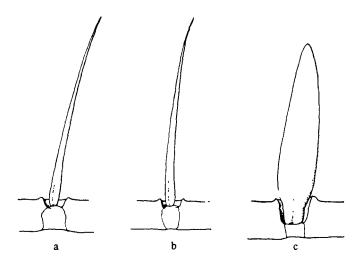
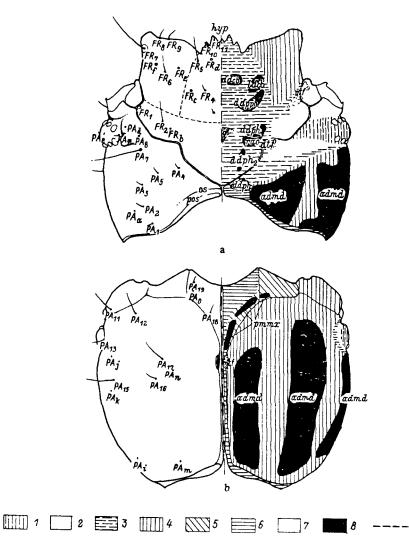


Fig. 2. Carabus L. Sensilla of larvae: a) primary trichoid sensillum, b) secondary trichoid sensillum, and c) supporting spine (modified secondary trichoid sensillum).

ized type; on the episternites, epimerites, and epipleurites secondary trichoid or clavate sensilla (setae, Fig. 5b) are often present. On the contrary, the primary setae of tergites are considerably reduced. Their minimal set is $PT_{2,6,9,11,12,13}$, $ME_{1,3,4,5,6,7,9,11,12,13,13}$, maximal $PT_{1,2,3,6,8,9,11,12,13,14,a,b,l}$, $ME_{1,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,11,12,13,14,a,b,q}$ (Fig. 5a). Numerous secondary sensilla are almost always developed.

On the leg only sensillum Tla is reduced. The well-developed pretarsus consists of claws and an unpaired sclerite bearing setae $Tla_{1,2}$ is very typical of larvae of the genus Carabus. As a rule, the anterior surface of the coxa and the lower surface of the femur, tibia, and tarsus bear numerous accessor supporting spines (Fig. 6). The number of spines on the hindtarsi is always greater than on the fore and midtarsi.

Fig. 1. Carabus L. Model of structure of larva: a) general dorsal view, b) head in dorsal view (left antenna and maxilla, right mandible, and left palpus not shown), c) head in ventral view (appendages, except prementum, not shown), d) prothorax (on left in dorsal view and on right in ventral view), e) prothorax in lateral view, f) abdominal segment (on left in dorsal view and on right in ventral view), g) abdominal segment in lateral view, h) leg; af - lobes of paraclypeus, an - antenna, ca - antennal cavity, cc - place of attachment of coxa, cly - clypeus, co - coxa, df - frontal disc, em - epimerite, ep - epipleuron, epr - epipleuron of pronotum, es - epicranial suture, est - episternite, ete - epipleuron of tergite, fe - femur, fr - frons, fs - frontal suture, ga - galea, gs - gular suture, hs - hypostome, la - lacinia, lb - ligula, m - mentum, md - mandible, mes - sternite, mgs - mediogular suture, mx - maxilla, ns - nasale, pa - partietal sclerite, paf - basal part of frons, pcly - paraclypeus, pl - pleurite, plb - labual palpus, pm - prementum, pmx - maxillary palpus, pas - postoccipital suture, pr- pronotum, ps- sternite of prothorax, prts - pretarsus, sa - presternite, se - external poststernite, sf - frontal grooves, sfs - sinus of frontal suture, sh - hypostomal suture, si - inner poststernite, sm - submentum, sp - pleurostomal suture, st - stipes, te - tergite, te - cellar tubercle, tr - trochanter, ts - tarsus, tso - superorbital tubercle, un - claws.



Differentiating characters of different matars of larvae of species of ground beetles of the genus Carabus

Characters	Instar of larva		
	I	II	III
Ratio of width of head to width of pronotum	≥l	<1	<1
Presence of pleural organ	+	±*	_
Presence of ovarial teeth	+	±	
Presence of secondary setae on tarsus	_***	+	+
Presence of secondary setae on ventrates	_***	+	+

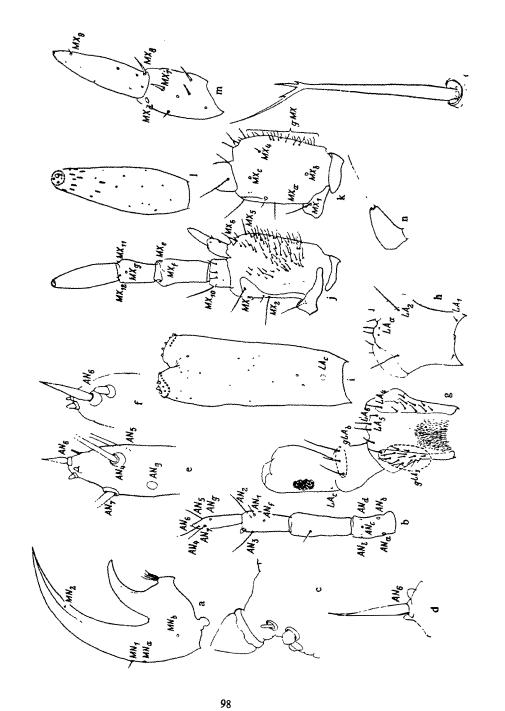
Note *In larvae of instar I, in the center of the pleural organ a dark spot is always present, in some species of the group of Neocarabus sensu Bengtsson, 1927 the pleural organ is present in larvae of instar II, but it is pale in the middle, **true only for larvae of the group of Archeocarabus sensu Bengtsson, 1927, ***in the group of Neocarabus sensu Bengtsson, 1927 only small secondary setae on sternites may be present

Abdominal chaetome differs from the generalized type considerably. Tergites possess a considerably smaller set of primary sensilla (minimal set of $TE_{1,2,3,7,10,11}$, and maximal set of $TE_{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10,11}$). Only primary sensilla of trichoid type (setae) are retained, all other setae increplaced by numerous secondary conical sensilla (Fig. 7a). All pleurites and ventrates of larvae are characterized by development of numerous accessory trichoid sensilla, individual numbering of which does not seem necessary. They are designated by additional group signs (Fig. 7b).

Urogomphi (Fig. 8c) of larvae of all instars have only the primary set of setae (only UR_3 is reduced) and a slightly increased set of large sensilla. Urogomphi of *Carabus* are characterized by increase of the basal part and development of tubercles of setae $UR_{4/3}$ and shortening of the distal part

Supporting structure, the pygidium, segment X, as well as all abdominal segments are characterized by decrease of number of primary sensilla of the tergite (the usual set is $PY_{2,3,4,6,a,b}$ and developments

Fig 3 Carabus L Model of structure of head of larvae a) in dorsal view, b) in lateral view On the left primary sensillar (nomenclature after Bousquet and Goulet, 1984), on the right segmentary zones places of attachment of muscles, and tentorium (interpretation of segmentary zones and names of muscles are shown after Bitsch, 1966 and Das, 1937) abmd - abductor of mandible, admd - adductor of mandible, atf- anterior tentorial pit, ddcb - anterior dilator of cibarium, ddph_{1,2,3} - 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in per dilators of pharynx, ddph - upper dilator of prepharynx, dtf- upper tentorial pit, gf- projectic frontal ganglion, hyp - hypodon, mtf- posterior tentorial pit, os - occipital suture, pmmx - muscles of maxilla, pos - occipital suture, rao - retractor of cibarium, 1) zone of protocephalon, 2) zone of deutocephalon, 3) zone of tritocephalon, 4) zone of mandibulary segment, 5) zone of maxillary segment, 6) zone of labial segments, 7) sites of attachment of muscles, 8) sites of attachment of tentorium, 9) border of paraclypeus, clypeus, and frons



opment of numerous accessory setae on the ventral surface (gPY_7) . Like the urogomphi, the basal part of the supporting structure is increased and the proximal part is shortened (Fig. 8a, b).

Instars. As in most ground beetles, during ontogenesis species of *Carabus* pass through 3 larval instars. Traditional morphological criteria for distinction of instars (indices of Emden, ovarial teeth) are not sufficiently reliable. If applied to larvae of this genus, values of indices d and d (Emden, 1942) in larvae with different habitus may overlap by 50-70%. Therefore, reliable determination of instar of larvae of *Carabus* is possible only by a complex of characters which take into account their taxonomical position (Table).

A key to 53 subgenera of the genus Carabus is offered below. This table was constructed basically on characters which are not very dependent on the instar of the larva. Exceptions are only numbers of setae in groups $(gST_1, gPY_2, \text{etc.})$; in larvae of instars I and II part of future setae may be represented by basicoeloconic and coeloconic sensilla. In cases wherein after the name of the subgenus in parentheses the species name is shown, diagnosis of the subgenus is based only on the study of larva of this species.

KEY TO SUBGENERA OF CARABUS BY LARVAE

See also table at end of key.

- 1(38). 2nd antennal segment on apex without setae (group of Carabi brevimandibulare).
- 2(15). Cutting edge of mandibles distal to retinaculum without sloped tooth (Fig. 9a); nasale never with 4 teeth; hypodon large, almost always well developed (Fig. 9d, e). Setae FR_{8.9} single or reduced (group of subgenera of Archeocarabus sensu Bengtsson, 1927).
- 3(12). Pairs of setae FR_{3.3} and FR_{4.4} closer to each other (Fig. 9d). Accessory tooth of retinaculum present; if absent, then 2nd segment of labial palpi with only 1 sensory area. Setae TE₈ on lateral margins of tergites absent.
- 4(9). Hindcorners of abdominal sternites I-VIII without setae (Fig. 9c), gRY₇ with 1-2 pairs setae.
- 5(6). Setae PA₉ considerably shorter than PA₇, approximately as long as diameter of ocellus Cerci strongly granulose. Larvae black or dark brown. Morphocarabus Geh. + Trachycarabus Geh. (Larvae of these subgenera are very close morphologically and their division in agreement with the existing division of imago is unpossible.)

Fig. 4 Carabus L. Structure of appendages of head of larvae. a-d) C. (Sphodristocarabus) janthinus Ganglb., e, f, n, o) C. (Megadontus) exaratus Quens., g, h) C. (Plesius) staudingeri Ganglb., l, m) C. (Tribax) schamyli Hampe; a) mandible in dorsal views, b) antenna in dorsal view; c) sensory appendages of 3rd antennal segment; d, e) apex of 4th antennal segment; f) sensilla on apex of 4th antennal segment; g) labium in dorsal view, right palpus not shown; h) prementum in dorsal view; i) 2nd segment of palpus in lateral view; j) maxilla in dorsal view; k) stipes and cardo in ventral view; l) 4th segment of mandibular palpus in lateral view; m) galea; n) lacinia; n) seta of group gMX. Designations of sensilla after Bousquet and Goulet, 1984).

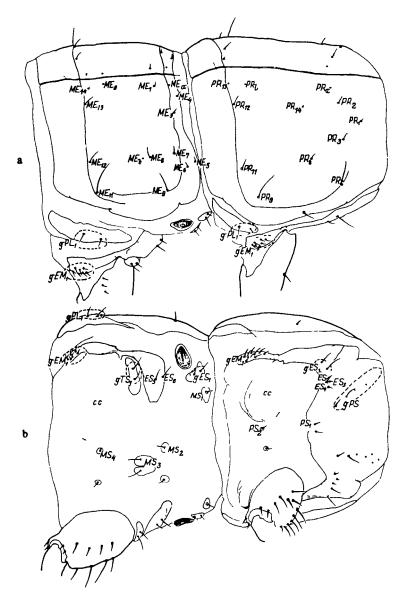


Fig 5 Carabus L Prothorax and mesothorax of larva a) dorsolateral view, b) ventrolateral view Nomenclature of sensilla after Bousquet and Goulet (1984) Other designations as in Fig 1

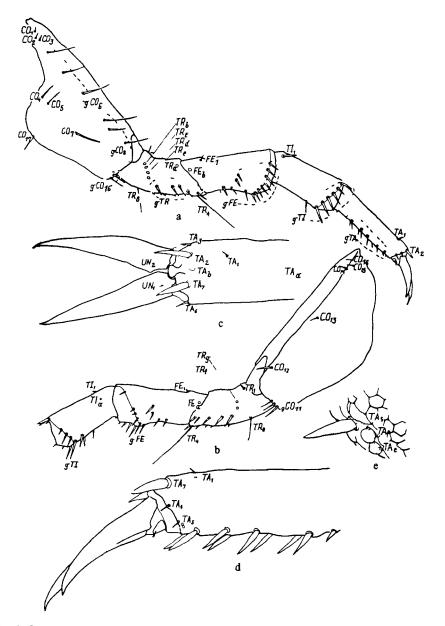


Fig 6 Carabus L Leg of larva a) general anterior view, b) general posterior view, tarsus not shown, c) distal part of larva in dorsal view, d) same in lateral view, e) sensilla TA_5 - TA_e Nomenclature of sen silla after Bousquet and Goulet (1984)

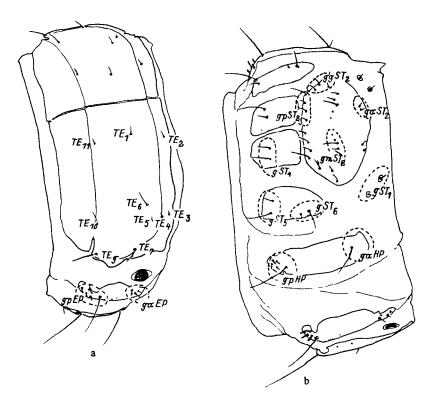


Fig. 7. Carabus L. Abdominal segment of larva: a) dorsolateral view; b) ventrolateral view. Nomenclature of sensilla after Bousquet and Goulet (1984).

- 6(5). Setae PA₉ only 1.5-2 times length of setae PA₇ Cerci smooth or slightly granulose. Larvae pale, yellow or yellow-brown
- 8(7). Setae PA_{2,3,11,12} at least 3-4 times length of setae RT_{6,9}. Cerci long, slightly granulose, lateral tooth distinct and acute.
- 9(4). Hindcorners of sternite I-VIII with at least 1 seta (Fig. 9f), gPY7 with more than 2 pairs of setae.
- 11(10). Setae TE_{1,6} reduced Eucarabus Geh. + Carabus s. str. L.

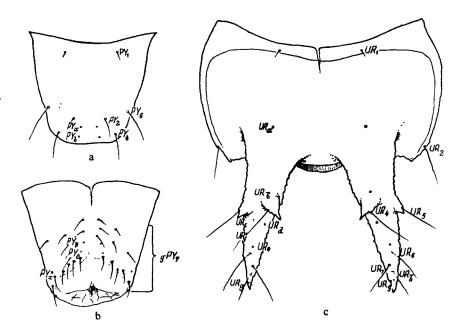


Fig. 8. Carabus L. Segments IX and X of abdomen of larva: a) segment X in dorsal view, b) segment X in ventral view, c) tergite of segment IX. Nomenclature of sensilla after Bousquet and Goulet (1984).

- 12(13). Pairs of setae FR₃₋₃ and FR₄₋₄ somewhat distant (Fig. 9e), accessory tooth of retinaculum often absent. Lateral margins of tergites with seta TE₈ developed

- 15(2). Cutting edge of mandible distal to retinaculum with sloped tooth (Fig. 9b). Nasale with 4 distinct teeth, hypodon relatively smaller, sometimes not extending beyond apices of medial teeth (Fig. 10b, c). Setae FR_{8,9} always distinct and often at their place with group FR_{8.9} formed of 3-8 setae. (Group of subgenera of Metacarabus sensu Bengtsson, 1927)
- 16(17). Lateral margins of tergites with seta TE_9 developed; $glST_1$ with 4-5 setae, gST_4 with 3 setae, gST_5 with 5 setae (Fig. 10e). Cerci longer than disc of segment IX, strongly granulose

¹Diagnosis of the subgenus is constructed only from literature data (Lapouge, 1929).

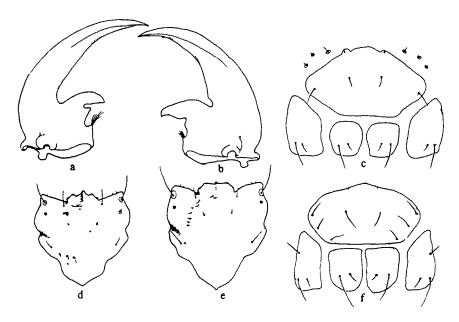


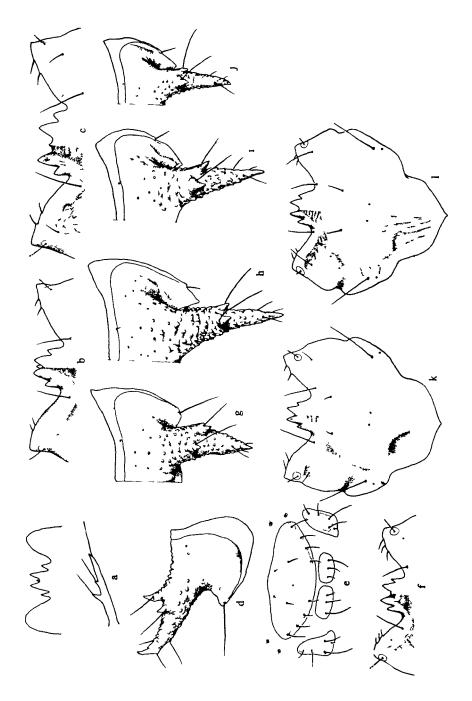
Fig 9 Carabus L Details of structure of larvae a, c, d) C (Morphocarabus) hummel: F-W, b) C (Pachycarabus) koenigi Ganglb, f) C (S Str) leander Kr, e) C (Archicarabus) memoralis) Müll a, b) Mandible in dorsal view, c, f) sternites of segment IV of abdomen, d, e) frontal sclerite

and with 2 large teeth (Fig 10d)

Hemicarabus Geh

- **17(16).** Sides of tergites with seta TE 7, glST₁, and gST₄ with only 2 setae and gsT₄ with 3 setae Cerci of different shape
- 18(19) Outer corners of paraclypeus rounded Cerci long and thin, with 2 almost equal teeth (Fig 10a) Leptocarabus (C procerulus Chd)¹
- 19(18) Outer corners of paraclypeus somewhat acute and extended outside (Fig. 10b, c, e) Cerci shorter and thicker and lateral tooth often reduced
- 20(27) gLAb with only 1 seta, 4th segment of mandibular palpi always with 1 sensory area.

Fig 10 Carabus L Details of structure of larvae a) C (Leptocarabus) procerulus Chaud, b, g) C (Diocarabus) truncaticollis Esch, c, h) C (Pachycarabus) koenigi Ganglb, d, e) C (Hemicarabus) macleayi Dej, f) C (Tomacarabus) scabripennis Schd, i) (Hadrocarabus) problematicus Herbst, j, k) C (Orinocarabus) silvestris Pnaz, l) C (Aulonacarabus) canaliculatus Ad, a) anterior margin of frontal sclerite and cerci, b, c, f) anterior margin of frontal sclerite, d) tergite IX in lateral view, g, h-j) tergite IX, right half in dorsal view, e) sternites of segment IV of abdomen, k, l) frontal sclerite, on left sculpture shown (a - after Lapouge, 1928, others original)



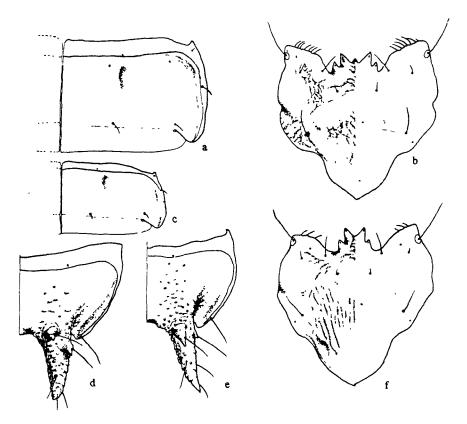


Fig. 11. Carabus L. Details of structure of larvae: a, d) C. (Semnocarabus) erosus Motsch; c, e) C. (Tomacarabus) krueberi F. W.; b) C. (Pachystus) cribellanus Ad; f) C. (Semnocarabus) transiliensis Sem.; a, c) right half of tergite of 4th segment of abdomen; b, f) frontal sclerite; d, e) tergite IV, right half.

- 21(24). Each outer notosternite with 2-3 setae; gPY₇ with not more than 7 setae.

- 24(21). Outer poststernite with more than 3 setae, gPY2 with not less than 8 setae.
- 25(26). Seta UR₂ in posterior third of lateral margin of tergite IX (Fig. 10₁). ... Orinocarabus Kr.

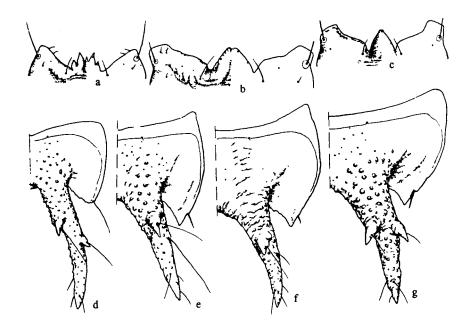


Fig. 12. Carabus L. Details of structure of larvae. a, d) C. (Hygrocarabus) variolosus F.; c) C. (Sphodristocarabus) janthinus Ganglb, b) C (Chrysocarabus) auronitens escheri Pllrd; e) C (Cechenochilus) boeberi Ad, f) C (Megodontus) septemcarinatus Motsch., g) C. (Pachycranion) schoenherri F. W; a-c) anterior margin of frontal sclerite, on left sculpture shown; d-g) right half of tergite IX

- 27(20). gLA_b with 2-5 setae, 4th segment of mandibular palpi often with 2 sensory areas (in subgenus Oreocarabus with 1 sensory area) and sometimes with more approximated and poorly distinct sensory areas
- 28(31). gLAb with 2 setae and gPY7 consisting of 2-4 setae

- 31(28). gLA_b consisting of 3-5 setae and gPY_7 of 4-7 setae.

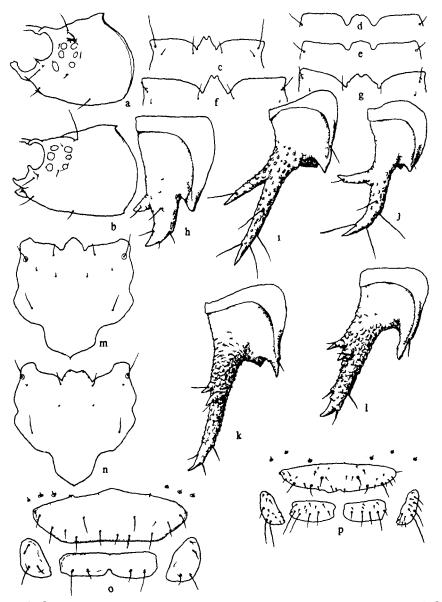


Fig 13 Carabus L Details of structure of larvae a, m) C (Procrustes) conaceus L, b, i, n) C (Microplectes) convallium Starck, c) C (Chaetocarabus) intricatus L, d) C (Platycarabus) fabricii Panz, e) C (Platycarabus) irregularis F, f, k) C (Pantophyrtus) turcomanorum Thieme, g, 1, p) C (Cyclocarabus) vernus Sem & Zn, h) C (Lamprostus) calleji F-W, j) C (Tribax) schamyli Hampe, o) C (Eotribax) cous A Mor, a, b) head capsule in lateral view, a-q) anterior margin of frontal sclerite, h-l) tergite IX in lateral view, m, n) frontal sclerite, o, p) sternites of abdominal segment IV (d and e after Hurka (1971), others original)

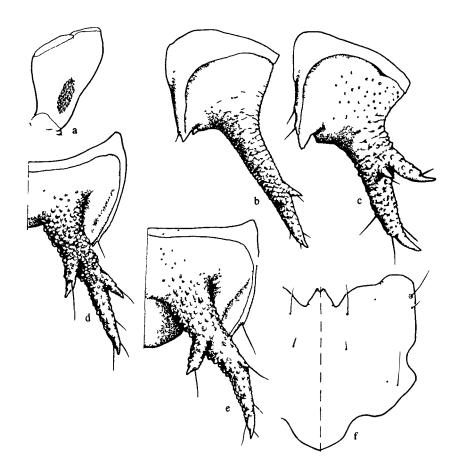


Fig 14 Carabus L Details of structure of larvae a, g, 1, j) C (Eupachys) glyptopterus F -W, b, f) C (Axinocarabus, fedischenkoi Sols, c) C (Procerus) caucasicus Ad, d, h, k) C (Acoptolabrus) lopatini A Mor, e) C (Coptolabrus) smaragdinus F -W, a) 2nd segment of labial palpus in lateral view, b, c) tergite of segment IX of abdomen in lateral view, d, e) tergite of abdominal segment IX, right half in dorsal view, f, g) frontal sclerite, right half, h, i) tergite IV of abdomen, right half, j, k) left half of head capsule and left maxilla

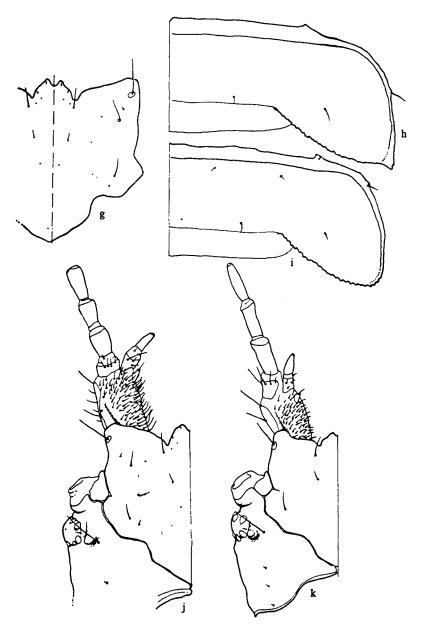


Fig. 14 (continued).

- 33(32). gFR₈₋₉ with 3-6 setae (Figs. 10f; 11n, f), 4th segment of mandibular palpi usually with 2 apical sensory areas.
- 35(34). Lateral margins of abdominal tergites with short seta TE₇ (Fig. 11c); UR₂ shifted to base of tergite IX; lateral tooth of cerci reduced (Fig. 11e).

- 38(1). 2nd segment of antenna with accessory setae (*Carabi longimandibulare* = group of subgenera *Neocarabus* sensu Bengtsson, 1927).
- 40(39). In gLA_b and on apex of 1st segment of mandibulary palpi with at least one seta each; $(/R_2)$ always shifted to base of tergite IX (Figs. 12e-g) and nasale never with 4 teeth (Figs. 12b, c).
- 41(66). gST_5 and gST_4 with at least 3 setae (Fig. 13n).
- 42(57). gST_5 with 3 setae (in Cechenotribax with 3-5 setae), lateral tooth present, although small.
- 43(46). 2nd segment of antennae with only 1 seta, gST₄ with 2 setae and nasale in form of triangular process, sometimes with small apical emargination (Figs. 12b, c).

- 46(43). 2nd segment of antennae with 3-6 setae, gST_4 usually with 3 setae, nasale never with true triangular shape.
- 47(56). Inner posternites always divided. Epicranial suture reduced, cerci more robust (Fig. 12e).
- 48(51). gLA_b consisting of somewhat similar setae; glST consisting of 4 setae; apex of 1st segment of mandibular palpi with 5-6 setae.
- 49(50). Ist segment of antennae with long seta AN_c not less than half length of sclerotized part of segment; gPY_7 with more than 40 setae.

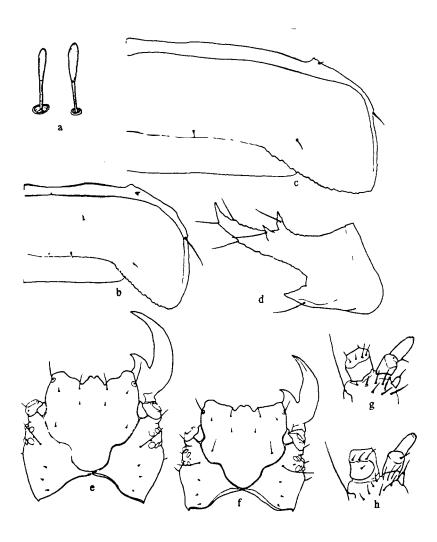


Fig 15. Carabus L. Details of structure of larvae a) C (Plesius) staudingeri Ganglb., b) C (Gonicarabus) gussakovskii Kryzh & Mich., c) C (Cratocephalus) cicatricosus F-W, f, h) C (Alipaster) pupulus A Mor., g) C (Cratophyrtus) turcosinensis Mandl., d, e) C (Pseudotribax) validus Kr; a) setae FR_a (on left) and TE_7 (on right), b, c) right half of abdominal tergite IV, e, f) head capsule with right mandible, g, h) apex of stipes, d) tergite IX in lateral view

50(49).	Ist segment of antennae without setae, gPY_7 with less than 30 setae
51(48).	gLA_b consisting of 1 large and 2 small setae; $glST_1$ represented by 2 (rare by 3) setae; 1st segment of mandibulary palpi usually with 3-4 setae.
52(53).	gST_4 with 2 and gST_5 with 3-5 setae. Head barely narrower than pronotum; cerci almost straight and apical part distinctly shorter than basal part.
53(52).	gST_4 and gST_5 with 3 setae. Head considerably narrower than pronotum; cerci distinctly curved and basal part shorter than apical part.
54(55).	gPY ₇ with more than 25 setae; lateral tooth at cerci only slightly shorter than dorsal tooth
55(54).	gPY ₇ with less than 20 setae; lateral tooth of cerci reduced (Fig. 12e)
56(47).	Inner poststernites usually fused, epicranial suture on average not shorter than diameter of 4th antennal segment. Cerci slender (Fig. 12f, g).
57(42).	gSI ₅ with only 2 setae; lateral tooth of cerci completely reduced.
58(59).	Seta FR_6 almost in middle between FR_4 and FR_7 . Supraorbital tubercle large and strongly protruding (Fig. 13a, m)
59(58).	Seta FR ₆ closer to FR (Fig. 13n); supraorbital tubrcle smoothed out or absent (Fig. 13b).
60(61).	gST ₄ and gST ₅ with 1 seta each
61(60).	gST_4 and gST_5 with at least 2 setae each.
62(63).	1st segment of mandibulary palpi with only 1-2 small apical setae; 2nd antennal segment with seta; cerci short and thick and with robust dorsal tooth (Fig. 13h)
63(62).	Apex of 1st segment of mandibular palpi with 3-4 large setae; cerci longer and narrower (Fig. 13i; j).
64(65).	Nasale with apical emargination and cerci almost straight (Fig. 13i) Microplectes Reitt.
65(64).	Nasale without apical emargination and cerci always somewhat curved (Fig. 13j)
66(41).	gST ₅ and gST ₄ with at least 4 setae each (Fig. 13p).
67(74).	Anterior margin of paraclypeus not sinuate (Fig. 13c-g).

- o8(11). Lateral margin > 2 -odonimal tergites with setae IE_7 and TE_9 , 1st segment of labial palpi with only 1 seta LA_6 , apex of 2st segment of mandibular palpi with 1-2 setae and 1st segment without setae.

- 71(68). Lateral margins of tergites with only one seta TE_7 (sometimes doubled); apex of 1st segment of labial palpi with 1 long and 2-3 short setae; 2nd segment of mandibular palpi with at least 3-4 setae and 1st antennal segment with at least 1 seta.

- 74(67). Anterior margin of paraclypeus sinuate (approximately as in Fig. 13m, n).
- 75(85). 1st segment of galea with 2 well separated sensory areas (except in subgen. Acoptolabrus Mor.); 2nd segment of labial palpi very wide and with 2 large reniform sensory areas (Fig. 14a).
- 76(79). Seta FR_6 close to lateral margin of paraclypeus (Fig. 14f); 1st segment of labial palpi with setae on sclerotized part.

- 79(76). Seta FR_6 only between setae FR_7 and FR_4 (Fig. 14g) and 1st segment of labial palpi bear-ling setae unity on a pex
- 81(80). Hindangles of abdominal tergites acute (Fig. 14h); mandibular palpi longer and thinner and not shorter than length of any sclerite (Fig. 14k), 1st antennal segment with 1-2 setae.
- 82(83). 4th segment of mandibulary palpi with 1 sensory area; lateral tooth of cerci almost as long as dorsal tooth and cerci very coarsely granulose (Fig. 14d).......Acoptolabrus Mor.

83(82). 4th segment of mandibular palpi with 2 sensory areas; lateral tooth of cerci a little shorter than dorsal tooth and granulose sculpture of cerci weaker (Fig. 14e). 84(85). Setae TE₇ single; mandibular palpi and antennae relatively shorter; supraorbital tubercle 85(84). gTE₇ present and consisting of 4-7 setae; mandibular palpi and antennae very long; supraorbital tubercle very small and barely protruding..... Damaster Kol. (C. blapoides Kol.). 86(75). First segment of galea without accessory setae, if with 1-2 setae, then 4th segment of mandibulary palpi with single sensory area. 87(90). gmST₁ consisting of 3-5 setae, gPY_7 with not fewer than 50 setae, setae FP_7 , PA_9 and $TE_{1.6.10.11}$ clavate (Fig. 15a) 88(89). Lower ocellus in posterior row considerably smaller than adjacent ocelli; labium shorter than gLA₃, consisting of 10-15 setae; secondary sculpture of head capsule weaker...... Deroplectes Reitter 89(88). Lower ocellus in posterior row only slightly smaller than adjacent ocelli; labium longer than gLA₃, consisting 20-22 setae and secondary sculpture of head capsule coarse...... Plesius Sem. $gmST_1$ consisting of 1-2 setae, gPY_7 with at least 40 setae, only seta PA_9 may be clavate. 90(87). 91(92). Lacinia with 2-3 setae on apex; 4th segment of labial palpi with 2 sensory areas, setae glAb not differentiated; setae PR₁₂, ME₉, TE₇ long (Fig. 15b)...........Goniocarabus Geh. 92(91). Lacinia with only 1 seta on apex; 4th segment of labial palpi with 1 sensory area; gLAb consisting of 1 large and 2-3 small setae, PR_{12} , ME_9 , and TE_7 shorter (Fig. 15c) 93(94). lst segment of antennae without setae (in C halassoglossus with single spinose seta), $gmST_1$ with 1 (rare with 2) setae Cratocephalus Kırsch. 94(93). 1st segment of antennae with 1-5 setae; $gmST_1$ with 2 setae. 94(96). Teeth of cerci relatively small, length considerably less than width of base of cerci (Fig. 15d); 1st segment of antennae with 3-5 setae on apex; genae in area of setae PA₁₄ slightly Teeth of cerci large, length of dorsal tooth not less than width of base of cerci; 1st 96(95). antennal segment with 1-2 setae on apex; genae in area of setae PA14 swollen (Fig. 15f). 97(98). Seta MX_R on connecting membrane of 1st and 2nd segments of galea (Fig. 15g); setae on apex of 1st segment of antennae well developed, not shorter than diameter; lateral surface of head between setae with PA11 and PA9 thin, longitudinal carina extended; epipleura of

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