

# Contribution to the taxonomy of the Holarctic *Ula* Haliday, 1833 (Diptera, Pediciidae)

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The genus *Ula* Haliday, 1833 includes 12 Palaearctic and 2 Nearctic species; only *U. sylvatica* (Meigen, 1818) has Holarctic distribution. *Ula kiushiuensis* Alexander, 1933 (Palaearctic), *U. sylvatica* (Holarctic), *U. cincta* Alexander, 1924 (Palaearctic), *U. elegans* Osten Sacken, 1869 (Nearctic), *U. comes* Alexander, 1935 (Palaearctic) and *U. provecta* Alexander, 1936 (Palaearctic) are redescribed and important morphological characters, male and female terminalia, are illustrated. A key to the European species of the genus is presented. Two new synonyms of *U. sylvatica* are established: *Ula paupera* Osten Sacken, 1869 (syn. nov.), and *U. longicornis* Dietz, 1921 (syn. nov.). *Ula ciscuncta* Stary, 1996 (syn. nov.) is a synonym of *U. succincta* Alexander, 1933. *Ula kiushiuensis* Alexander, 1933 is reported for the first time from North Korea and from west Palaearctic, Finland and Russian Karelia.

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