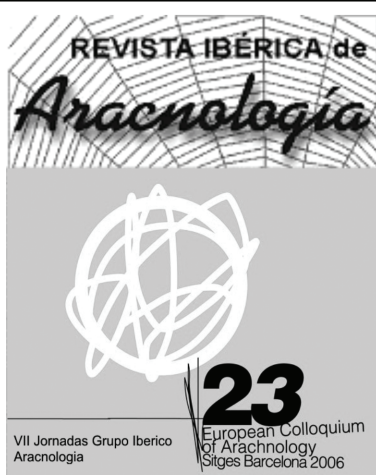




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Abstract

A new species, *Harpactea asparuhi* sp. nov. (Araneae: Dysderidae), is described and illustrated by male specimens collected in Bulgaria (Eastern Rhodopi Mountain). The male palps of this species are similar to *H. samuili* Lazarov, 2006, but conductor is lanceolate.

Key words: *Harpactea*, Eastern Rhodopi, Bulgaria, Boynik.

Taxonomy: *Harpactea asparuhi* sp. nov.

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Resumen

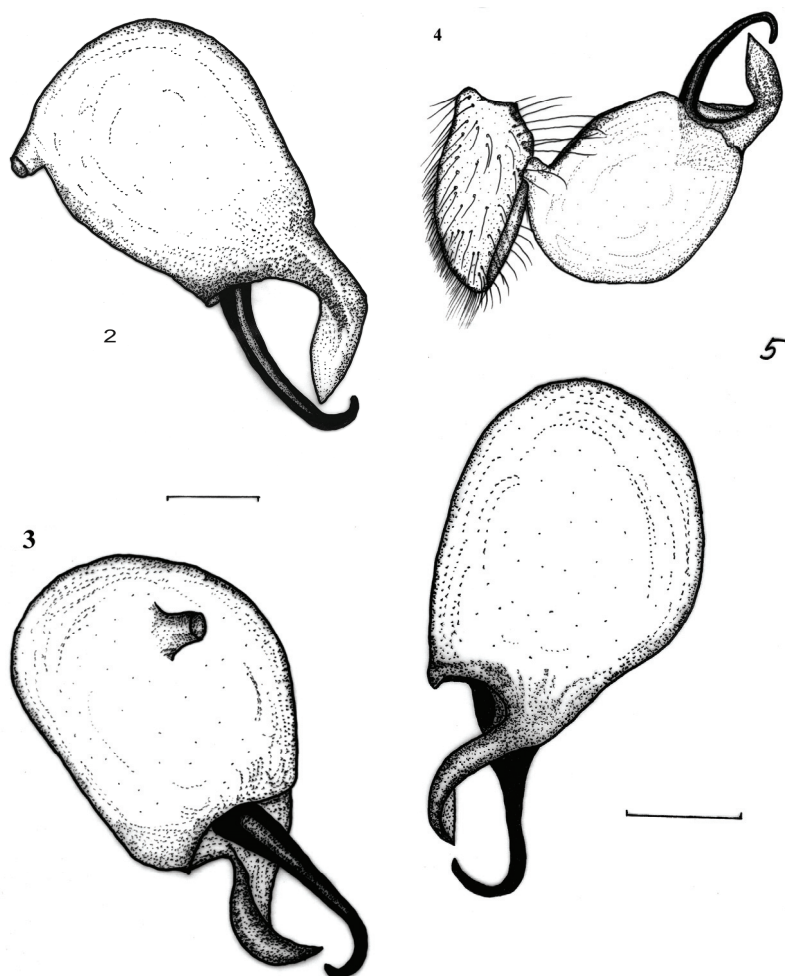
Se describe e ilustra una nueva especie de araña a partir de ejemplares machos procedentes de Bulgaria (Montes Rhodopi orientales). El palpo del macho de esta especie es similar a *H. samuili* Lazarow, 2006. Se diferencia de esta especie por poseer el conductor lanceolado.

Palabras clave: *Harpactea*, Rhodopi, Bulgaria, Boynik.

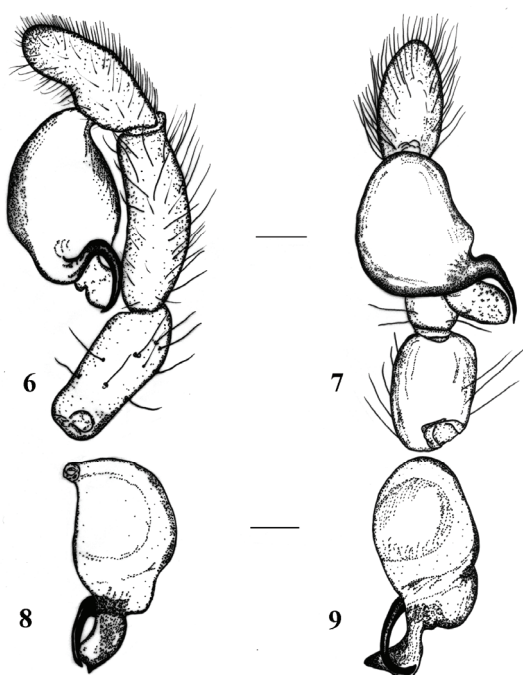
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Introduction

The Dysderidae, a rather species rich spider family from the Mediterranean region, shows remarkable diversity in south-eastern Europe, and especially on the Balkan Peninsula (Platnick 2006, Deltshev 1999). However, in terms of the taxonomy and faunistics, several regions remain insufficiently investigated. One of these is Bulgaria, where in the last decade several new species have been discovered and described (see e.g. Dimitrov and Lazarov 1999, Lazarov 2006). This process is very likely to continue also in the future. The current paper provides a description of a new species of *Harpactea*, which was recently discovered in south-eastern Bulgaria.



Figs 2-5: *Harpactea asparuhi* sp. nov.: male palp (which one left or right): **2:** retrolateral view, **3:** ventral view; **4:** prolateral view; **5:** dorsal view. Scale line: 0.2 mm.



Figs 6-9: *H. samuili* Lazarov, 2006 male palp (which one left or right): **6:** retilateral view; **7:** retroventral view; **8:** ventral view; **9:** dorsal view. Scale line: 0.2 mm (reproduced from Lazarov, S. 2006 b with permission).