

***Pholcus vatovae* Caporiacco, 1940**

Caporiacco, L. di 1940. Aracnidi raccolti nella regione dei laghi Etiopici della Fossa Galla. Atti Reale Accad. Ital., Memorie 11(18): 767-873.

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Pholcus vatovae sp. n. (fig. 5).

Un ♂ e una ♀ iuv., Stazione 71^a sul Lago Regina Margherita,
4 gennaio 1938.

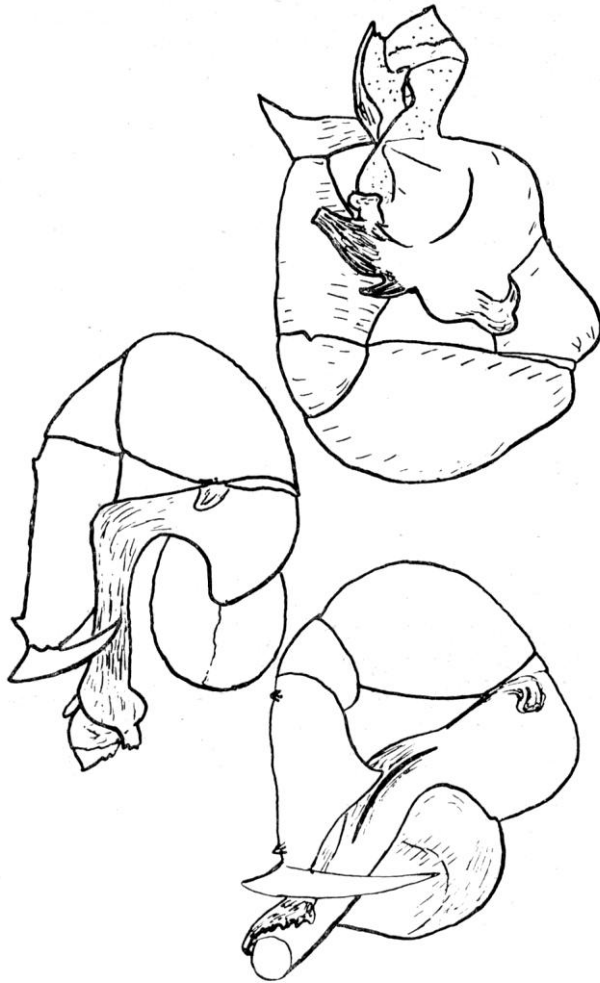


Fig. 5.

♂ Corporis totius long. mm. 4,3; cephalothoracis mm. 1,5; abdominis mm. 2,8; pedum I paris mm. 37; II mm. 24; III mm. 16,5; IV mm. 23; palporum mm. 3,5.

Cephalothorax aequè latus ac longus, rotundus, fulvus, vitta media fusca sat lata, post oculos constricta dein dilatata ita ut aream ocularem omnino comprehendit. Pedes fulvi, femoribus patellisque vix obscurioribus sed annulo apicali albo femoribus. Sternum et chelae fulvobrunneae. Palpi fulvi, bulbo rubro sed apophysibus brunneonigris. Abdomen testaceum.

Oculi superiores inter se aequales, lateralibus anterioribus vix minores. Utrunque oculi 3 subconniventes; acervus inter se spatio diametro magno superiorum fere duplo distant. Oculi medii antici parvi; eorum diametrum radio lateralium paullo minus. Inter se spatio eorum radio fere dimidio, a lateralibus spatio eorum radio paullo maiore distant: linea margine eorum inferiore tangens laterales paullo super marginem inferiorem secant.

Palpi magni, apophysibus complicatis, e figura visibilibus.

Dico speciem hanc dom. A. Vatorae qui eam invenit.

Huber, B. A. 2011. Revision and cladistic analysis of *Pholcus* and closely related taxa (Araneae, Pholcidae). Bonner zool. Monographien 58: 1-510.

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Three species are assigned tentatively based on a similar trochanter apophysis (*Ph. taibeli*, *Ph. vatovae*), and apparently similar color patterns (*Ph. hieroglyphicus*). The types of these species could not be located (in particular, they could not be found in MZF: L. Bartolozzi, pers. comm. Feb. 2007), and no new material is available.

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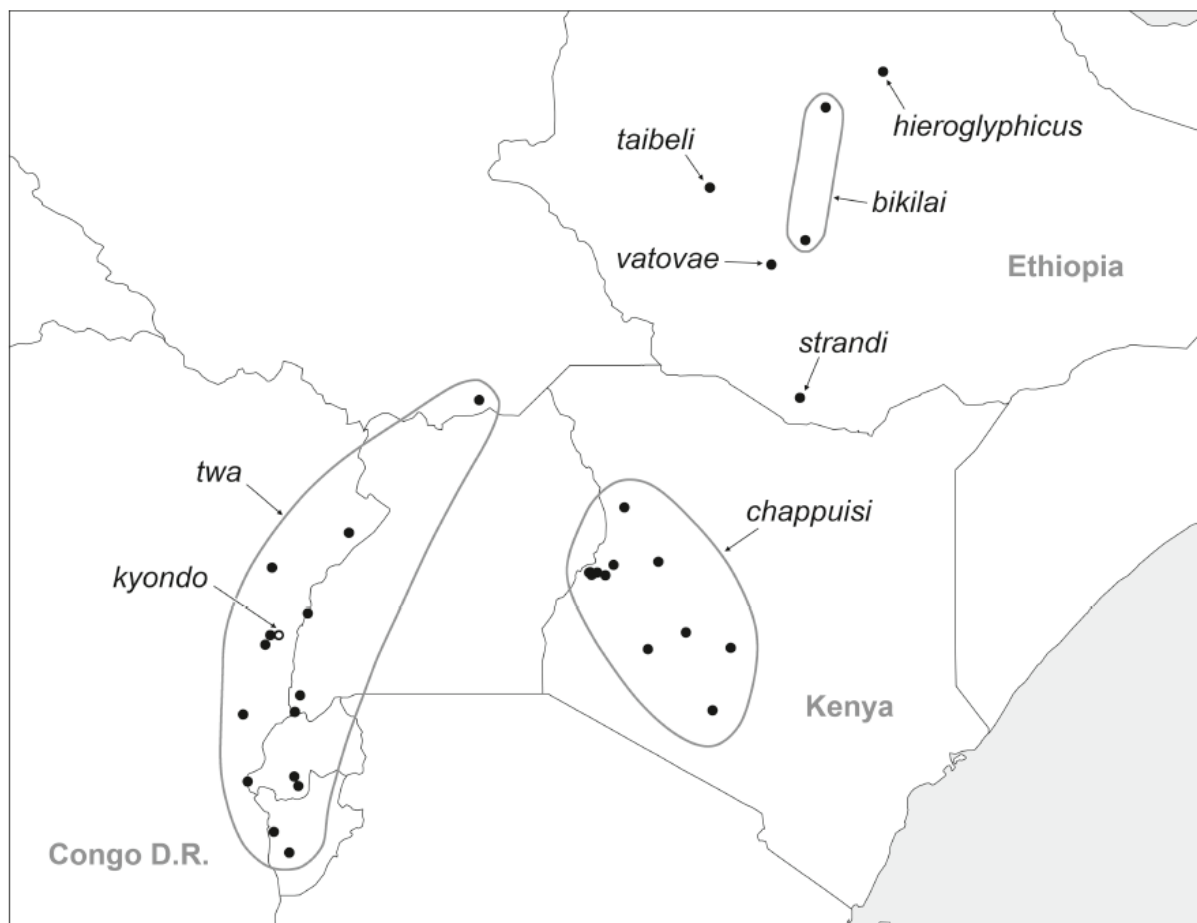


FIG. 846. Known distribution of the *Pholcus chappuisi* species group.