

Taxonomical updates in The Scorpion Files for Heteroscorpionidae (2008 →)

NB! Lourenco (1996) elevated Heteroscorpionidae Kraepelin, 1905 to family rank based on Stockwell's (1989) phylogeny. Soleglad and Fet (2003) relegated Heteroscorpionidae to a subfamily of Urodacidae Pocock, 1893 and later to Hemiscorpiidae. Prendini and Wheeler (2005) rejected these changes, and reinstated Heteroscorpionidae. The Scorpion Files has so far followed Soleglad & Fet (2003), but after Monod and Prendini's (2014) analysis of most taxa included in Hemiscorpiidae and the revalidation of Hormuridae, I have chosen to reinstall Heteroscorpionidae as a valid family in The scorpion Files as proposed by Prendini and Wheeler (2005) and Monod and Prendini (2014).

Taxa	Status	Distribution	Comments	Reference
<i>Heteroscorpion karii</i> Lourenco & Goodman, 2009	New sp.	Madagascar	The authors are using the family Heteroscorpionidae in their paper.	Lourenco WR, Goodman SM. Description of a new speices of Heteroscorpion Birula, 1903 (Scorpiones, Heteroscorpionidae) from "Grande Avasoa" in extreme southern Madagascar. Entomol Mitt Zool Mus Hamburg. 2009;15(181):115-25.