



MINISTERIO DE FOMENTO
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Piura (Piura), Perú, Nov. 16th, 1910.

Dear Doctor Lutz:-

Thank you very much for your letter of July 4th last, which has remained unanswered due to many other subjects that have taken my attention.

I have never seen the description of Pseudogametes by Brauer and Bischof. The genus Microcephalus Schnabl seems very much like this fly, and possibly Hyadesimyia Bigot is the same. I can not tell, since I do not have access to the descriptions.

I am extremely anxious get a few females of this fly with the abdomen in fairly fresh condition for dissection, and also a female or two of Dermatobia, and one or two of Cuterebra. I do not find any specimens of Cuterebrids here. I will be very thankful to you for material sent as follows:-

On capturing a fresh female of Pseudogametes, Dermatobia, or Cuterebra, of whatever species, as soon as dead detach abdomen carefully and place in vial of fluid (2 parts of 5% carbolic acid solution, 1 part of glycerine, 1 part of 95% to 98% alcohol); the fly itself (minus abdomen) to be put in another vial or in a pillbox with a little carbolic acid on cotton to prevent mildew, the two vials to bear the same number thus connecting the fly and its abdomen.

I am making studies of fresh dissected material, and wish much to secure these genera for comparison. I will be glad of the specific names of course.

How do you want Simulium and Culicidae sent, dry or in liquid?

I send you herewith in a small box all the Tabanids and Culicids I have at present - only 3 spp. of the former and a sp. of Megarhinus. All are from the southern montafia on the headwaters of the Rio Madeira, except one from Piura, and all collected by me. I am leaving tomorrow for a trip overland to southern Ecuador, and will get you further material.

Sincerely yours,

C. H. B. ...