

S. No 10 B Proof of Expert system developed on taxonomy and biodiversity of Iran Microgastrinae for international student- Dr Mohammad Zargar

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No.4-37/2017-IC.III(Trg.)
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agricultural Research and Education

Krishna Bhavan, New Delhi
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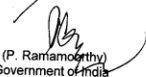
Sub: National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resource (NBAIR), Bengaluru for hosting Mr. Mohammad Zargar and Mr. Ali Ameri-Siahooei of Iran-Reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the MEA's OM No. J-III/121/01/2018 dated 28th March, 2018 on the above subject and to say that National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resources (NBAIR), Bengaluru has informed that Mr. Mohammad Zargar, Ph.D student, Tarbiat Modares University, Iran has been attending an in house training programme at that Institute on taxonomy and biodiversity of microgastrinae subfamily (Hymenoptera: Braconidae) from 20th July, 2018 as per this Department's approval dated 13th April, 2018 which permitted a training programme for a period of six months.

2. He has been working under the guidance of Dr Ankita Gupta, Scientist, Division of Germplasm Collection and Characterization. His training period of six months will be completed by 21st January, 2019.

3. In order to publish his research work based on outcome of the experiments he needs access to literature, databases and guidance from Dr Gupta. Hence, he is seeking an extension up to 31st March, 2019. He has requested this Department to consider this case and extension may be given for Mr. Zargar up to 31st March, 2019.

4. Therefore, the Ministry of External Affairs is requested to grant political clearance for the extension of training period of Mr. Mohammad Zargar, Ph.D. student, Tarbiat Modares University, Iran up to 31st March, 2019, at the earliest.


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J-III/121/01/2018
Ministry of External Affairs
PAI Division

Dated: 20 November, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: No objection of MEA for extension of training period of Mr. Mohammad Zargar, Ph.D student, Tarbiat Modares University, Iran till 31st March 2019.

Kind reference is invited to the OM no. 4-37/2017-IC.III (Trg.) dated 01.11.2018 received from Dept. of Agricultural Research and Education, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, New Delhi seeking extension of training period of Mr. Mohammad Zargar, Ph.D student, Tarbiat Modares University, Iran till 31st March 2019, who has been undergoing an in house training programme at NBAIR (National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resource), Bengaluru on Taxonomy and Biodiversity of Microgastrinae Subfamily from 20th July 2018 for a period of six months.

2. In this regard, it is conveyed that this Ministry has 'No Objection' from political angle to the extension of training period of Mr. Mohammad Zargar till 31st March 2019.

3. This issues with the approval of competent authority in this Ministry.


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Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
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Dr Mohammad Zargar getting
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Three new species and two new records of the genus
Cotesia Cameron (Hymenoptera: Braconidae) from Iran

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Abstract. The present study is based on the genus *Cotesia* Cameron, 1891 collected from Kermanshah Province in the Southwestern part of Iran during 2016–2017. Nine species (~200 specimens) of the genus *Cotesia* were collected and identified. We recognized three new species, which we describe and illustrate here: *Cotesia elegantia* Zargar & Gupta sp. nov., *C. khuzestanensis* Zargar & Gupta sp. nov. and *C. sagroensis* Zargar & Gupta sp. nov. Two species are recorded for the first time from Iran: *Cotesia cynthiae* (Nixon, 1974) and *C. glabrata* (Telenz, 1955). A faunistic list with species distribution in Iran, a modified key to include the new species and brief diagnoses for the new records from Iran are provided.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Description of a new species of the genus *Deuterixys* (Hymenoptera: Braconidae: Microgastrinae) from Iran

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Abstract

A new species, *Deuterixys tenuiconvergens* Zargar & Gupta sp. n. from Khuzestan province in Iran, is described and illustrated. The species is distinguished from all other congeners by the strong converging and slender first tergite. This is the second species to be described under the genus *Deuterixys* from Iran.



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A review of the Iranian species of genus *Iconella* Mason (Hymenoptera: Braconidae: Microgastrinae) with description of two new species

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Abstract

The present study was carried out in the Khuzestan province of Iran during 2016–2017. In total, five species of the genus *Iconella* were collected and identified, of which two new species are described and illustrated: *Iconella mongashtensis* Zargar & Gupta sp. nov., and *I. similis* Zargar & Gupta sp. nov. One species, *Iconella meruloides* (Nixon 1965), is recorded for the first time from Iran and two species, *Iconella myeloenta* and *I. subcamilla*, are new provincial records. The number of *Iconella* species in Iran is now raised to eight. An identification key to all Iranian species of the genus *Iconella*

