

Scientific Note

**CORRECTION TO HOLOTYPE DEPOSITION OF
PURPURICENUS LINSLEYI CHEMSAK
(COLEOPTERA: CERAMBYCIDAE)**

Purpuricenus linsleyi Chemsak, 1961 (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae) was described from two female specimens labeled "Tex." (Chemsak, J. A. 1961. *Pan-Pac. Entomol.*, 37: 183–184.). In the original description, the U.S. Museum of Natural History (USNM), Washington, D.C. was cited as the holotype depository, while the Essig Museum of Entomology, Berkeley was cited as the paratype depository. These type depositions were restated in my recent review of North American *Purpuricenus* Dejean (MacRae, T. C. 2000. *Pan-Pac. Entomol.*, 76: 137–169.), in which the paratype of *P. linsleyi* was examined, but not the holotype. Subsequent to that review, Dr. P. D. Perkins, Museum of Comparative Zoology (MCZ), Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, informed me that the holotype deposition stated in the original description was apparently an error, and that the holotype had instead been deposited in the MCZ.

In my review (MacRae *loc. cit.*), I noted that the basal elytral marking of the *P. linsleyi* paratype was orange, while that of all other specimens examined was dark red. Based on photographs of the holotype in the MCZ's "Primary Type Specimen Database" (Sikes, D. S. & P. Nasrecki. 1999. World Wide Web: <http://mcz-28168.oeb.harvard.edu/mcztpepdb.htm>), the basal elytral marking of the holotype is slightly darker (red-orange) than in the paratype, but still much lighter than the dark red observed in all other *P. linsleyi* specimens. In all other respects (i.e., shape of basal elytral marking, punctuation, vestiture, etc.), the holotype is similar to the paratype. Verbatim label data for the holotype (individual labels separated by a forward slash (/), my notations in parentheses, p = printed, h = handwritten) are: "Tex. / HOLOTYPE (p) *Purpuricenus linsleyi* Chemsak (h) (red label) / M.C.Z. Type (p) 30929 (h) (red label)".

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