Study on the genus *Rhopobota* Lederer from China (Lepidoptera: Tortricidae: Olethreutinae)

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This paper deals with seventeen species of the genus *Rhopobota* from China. Five species (*R. furcata* sp. n., *R. orbiculata* sp. n., *R. fanjingensis* sp. n., *R. flocosa* sp. n. and *R. bucera* sp. n.) are described as new to science and four species [*R. blanditana* (Kuznetsov), *R. falcata* Nasu, *R. okui* Nasu and *R. symbolias* (Meyrick)] are new for China. The male of *Rhopobota eclipticodes* (Meyrick) is described for the first time. Photographs of the adults and genitalia of the species mentioned are provided. A key to the known Chinese species is given based on adults and male genitalia.

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1. Introduction

The genus *Rhopobota* has faced several important taxonomic changes since mid-1800s, and the process has still continued until recently. Lederer (1859) erected *Rhopobota* for *Tortrix naevana* Hübner [1817]. More recently three genera, viz. *Erinaea* Meyrick, *Norma* Heinrich and *Kundrya* Heinrich, were synonymized with *Rhopobota* Lederer by Brown (1979). Brown (1983) also sunk *Eumarissa* Clarke to *Rhopobota*, transferred eight species from *Griselda* Heinrich to the present genus and listed 26 species in the world. Razowski (1999a) listed 15 Palearctic species. Later Razowski (1999b) described four neotropical species, listed 34 species in the zoogeographic units and discussed the distribution of the genus.

Up to date, 43 species and subspecies have been recorded, eight of which have been reported to occur in China (Brown 1983, Razowski 1999a, 1999b, Nasu 1999, 2000). In the present paper, five new species are described, four species are presented as new to China, and the male of *Rhopobota eclipticodes* (Meyrick, 1935) is described for the first time.

The new species described in this paper are ordered at random, while the new records and other species are ordered alphabetically. The key provided here is artificial and just a tool for identification. It does not show the phylogenetic relations.

The type specimens are deposited in the Insect Collection, College of Life Sciences, Nankai University, Tianjin, P. R. China. Abbreviations used: MGAB (Muzeul de Istorie Naturala, “Grigore Antipa”, Bucuresti, Romania); USNM (United States National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D. C., USA).

2. Material and methods

The study is based on examination of the specimens collected in the field by light trap and the
photographs of the type materials of two species respectively deposited in USNM and MGAB. Genitalia were prepared following the methods described by Li & Zheng (1996).

3. Results

3.1. Rhopobota Lederer, 1859

Rhopobota Lederer, 1859: 366. Type species: [Tortrix] naevana Hübner, [1817].
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Distribution. Holarctic, Oriental, Australian and Neotropical regions.
Remarks. The characters of Rhopobota are variable, which are proved by our study again. Two characters, namely, the presence of lateral tegumentary projections of the tegumen in the male genitalia and the sclerotized band at caudal end of the corpus bursae in the female genitalia, have however been considered as synapomorphies for the genus (Brown, 1983; Razowski, 1989).

The species of Rhopobota have a sclerotized band at the caudal end of the corpus bursae, which is also found in the female genitalia of Nuntiella Kuznetsov (Zhang & Li, 2004). There is, however, no evidence that these similarities are synapomorphic.

3.2. Key to the Chinese species of Rhopobota based on adults and male genitalia

1. Socii long, large finger-shaped 2
   – Socii small, triangular or of other shape 10
2. Tegumentary projections small, not produced into boot shape or sickle shape apically; cucullus distinctly dilated 3
   – Tegumentary projections narrow and long, boot-shaped or sickle-shaped apically; cucullus slightly dilated 7
3. Sacculus with a finger-shaped process on ventral edge of basal opening 4
   – Sacculus without such process on ventral edge of basal opening 6
4. Fore wing upperside ground color bicolored, viz., the anterior part blackish brown and the posterior part pale greyish brown
   R. bicolor Kawabe
   – Fore wing upperside without characters mentioned above 5
5. Hind wing upperside with a blue blotch on costa R. naevana (Hübner)
   – Hind wing upperside without such blotch on costa R. latipennis (Walsingham)
6. Sacculus with ventral angle obtuse R. symbolias (Meyrick)
   – Sacculus with ventral angle indistinct R. falcata Nasu
7. Sacculus with a semicircular or papillary process at base 8
   – Sacculus without such process at base 9
8. Cucullus rounded dorsally, with two long setae on outer margin R. okui Nasu
   – Cucullus straight dorsally, with three or four long setae on outer margin R. ellipticodes (Meyrick)
9. Sacculus with a large process on ventral edge of basal opening, reaching costa R. ustomaculana (Curtis)
   – Sacculus with a small process on ventral edge of basal opening, not reaching costa R. orbiculata sp. n.
10. Tegumentary projections horned 11
    – Tegumentary projections clubbed 13
11. Tegumentary projections narrow and long; socii small R. visenda (Kuznetsov)
    – Tegumentary projections short; socii large 12
12. Neck of valva about 1/3 of cucullus width; ventral angle of cucullus about 90°
    R. bicornis (Nasu)
    – Neck of valva as wide as cucullus width; ventral angle of cucullus acuteangled R. bucera sp. n.
13. Tegumentary projections bending inward R. antirhena (Meyrick)
    – Tegumentary projections straight, porrect 14
14. Tegumentary projections triangular, gradually narrowed to top; cucullus with a big process on outer margin R. toshimai (Kawabe)
Without integrated structures mentioned above 15
15. Neck of valva with thick spines on outer margin; cucullus about twice as long as its width 16
– Neck of valva without thick spines on outer margin; cucullus less than twice its width
   R. floccosa sp. n.
16. Fore wing upperside with a bifurcate streak; ventral angle of cucullus protruded
   R. furcata sp. n.
– Fore wing upperside without bifurcate streak; ventral angle of cucullus nearly 90°
   R. fanjingensis sp. n.

3.3. Rhopobota furcata sp. n. (Figs. 1a, 2a)

Type material. Holotype ♂: China, Wenzhuan (32.58° N, 104.41° E), Gansu Province, 2,000 m a.s.l., 5.VII.2001, Houhun Li and Xinpu Wang leg., genital slide no. ZAH03776. Paratype: 1 ♂, same data as holotype.

Diagnosis. This species is similar to R. shikokuensis (Oku, 1971), but can be distinguished by: tegumentary projections shorter, blunt on termination and porrect, cucullus length less than twice its width and ventral angle protruded. In R. shikokuensis tegumentary projections slender, distally pointed and curved outward, cucullus length more than twice its width and ventral angle not protruded.

Description. Fore wing expanse 14.5–16.0 mm. Vertex with erect grey scales, frons white. Antenna with scape grey and flagellum light brown. Labial palpus greyish brown, terminal segment porrect. Thorax grey; tegula with basal half brown and apical half grey. Fore wing upperside ground color grey, costa darker; costal strigulae indistinct; basal fascia brown, situated at
basal 1/8, not reaching dorsum; a brown streak running from anterior angle of cell, bifurcated near termen, one branch reaching apex, the other reaching nearly 1/2 of termen; other patches and fasciae inconspicuous; cilia grey mixed with brown; underside dark grey, darker at costa. Hind wing upperside, underside and cilia grey. Prothoracic leg brown; mesothoracic leg grey, with tibiae and tarsi brown; metathoracic leg grey, with brown scales on tarsus.

Male genitalia (Fig. 2a). Tegumentary projections short clubbed, blunt on termination; socii large, triangular, haired. Valva broad at base, basal part wider than cucullus width, neck distinct, ventrally armed with thick spines to base of cucullus; cucullus nearly oblong, hairy, with marginal spines, rounded dorsally, ventral angle protruded. Aedeagus thick; cornuti numerous (deciduous) and undectected.

Female. Unknown.

Distribution. China (Gansu).

Etymology. The specific name is derived from the Latin furcatus = furcate, referring to the fore wing with a brown bifurcate streak.

3.4. Rhopobota orbiculata sp. n. (Figs. 1b, 2b)

Type material. Holotype ♂: China, Kangxian (33.20° N, 105.36° E), Gansu Province, 800 m a.s.l., 6.VI.1995, M. Aisiha’er leg., genital slide no. ZAH03729. Paratype: 1 ♂, same data as holotype.

Diagnosis. This species is similar to R. ustomaculana (Curtis, 1831), but can be separated by fore wing upperside ground color grey, median fascia and ocellar area darker. Valva with a small pointed sclerotized process on distal edge of basal opening and sacculus with a weak lobe. In R. ustomaculana fore wing upperside brown, dorsum with a grey triangular patch, ocellus grey, valva with a large pointed sclerotized process on ventral edge of basal opening and sacculus without lobe.

Description. Fore wing expanse 16.0–19.0 mm. Vertex with grey scales, frons white. Antenna with scape grey and flagellum brown. Labial palpus grey tinged brown, terminal segment slender, porrect. Thorax grey; tegula with basal half brown and apical half grey. Fore wing upperside ground color grey; two pairs of strigulae (pairs 3 and 4) between base of the wing and the point where Sc meets costa; other five pairs (pairs 5 to 9) between Sc and R; basal and subbasal fasciae forming indistinct basal patch, covering about 1/3 of fore wing length; median fascia light brown, extending to proximal area of ocellus; ocellus nearly rounded; cilia greyish brown; underside dark grey except grey area of hind wing overlap posterior to CuP, strigulae present at costa like that in upperside. Hind wing: upperside dark grey except grey area of fore wing overlap anterior to Sc+R.; underside grey and cilia grey. Prothoracic leg brown; mesothoracic leg grey, with tibiae and tarsi brown; metathoracic leg grey, with brown scales on tarsus.

Male genitalia (Fig. 2b). Tegumentary projections large and long, sickle-like; socii broad, large finger-shaped, hairy. Valva broad, with a small pointed sclerotized process on distal ventral edge of big basal opening; sacculus with a weak lobe at base; cucullus slightly dilated, hairy, with three thick setae on ventral margin. Aedeagus thick; cornuti numerous, spiculate.

Female. Unknown.

Distribution. China (Gansu).

Etymology. The specific name is derived from the Latin orbiculatus = circular, in reference to the fore wing with a nearly rounded ocellar area.

3.5. Rhopobota fanjingensis sp. n. (Figs. 1c, 2c)

Type material. Holotype ♂: China, Mt. Fanjing (27.55° N, 108.41° E), Guizhou Province, 2,100 m a.s.l., 30.VII.2001, Houhun Li and Xinpu Wang leg., genital slide no. ZAH03606. Paratypes: 3 ♀♂, same data as holotype, one slide no. ZAH03209.

Diagnosis. This species is similar to R. antrifera (Meyrick, 1935), but can be identified by the following characters: fore wing with a brown blotch anterior to ocellar area, tegumentary projections porrect and cucullus with ventral angle 90° in the male genitalia. In R. antrifera ocellus circled with brown fascia above and inside, tegumentary projections bending inward and cucullus with ventral angle produced into a small process.

Description. Fore wing expanse 14.5 mm.
Vertex with greyish yellow scales, frons white. Antenna with scape grey and flagellum light brown. Labial palpus greyish brown, terminal segment porrect. Thorax and tegula brown. Fore wing upperside ground color greyish brown, covered with slender transverse grey streaks; costa with nine pairs of strigulae, the first four pairs indistinct, distributed between base and the point where Sc meets costa, two pairs of strigulae (5–6) between Sc and R₁ points, other three pairs of strigulae (7, 8 and 9) distributed between veins R₁ and R₂, R₂ and R₃, R₃ and R₄, respectively; basal fascia brown, well developed; a narrow and long brown blotch situated on distal 2/3 of dorsum; ocellus grey, with a brown blotch above; cilia brown, mixed with grey on ocellus; underside brown except grey area of hind wing overlap posterior to CuP. Hind wing upperside dark grey, except grey area of fore wing overlap anterior to Sc+R₁, cilia grey; underside light brown. Prothoracic leg brown; mesothoracic leg grey, with tibia and tarsus brown; metathoracic leg grey, with brown scales on tarsus.

Male genitalia (Fig. 2c). Tegumentary projections clubbed, long, porrect; socii large, triangular, haired. Valva elongate, basal part as wide as cucullus, with thick spines on outer margin of neck; sacculus finely haired, with a drape situated below ventral edge of basal opening, ventral angle of sacculus indistinct; cucullus oblong, broad, hairy, with marginal spines, ventral angle nearly 90°. Aedeagus elongate; cornuti numerous, spiculate.

Female. Unknown. 

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality.
3.6. Rhopobota floccosa sp. n. (Figs. 1d, 2d)

**Type material.** Holotype ♂: China, Sangzhi County (29.23° N, 110.11° E), Hunan Province, 1,250 m a.s.l., 12.VIII.2001, Houhun Li and Xinpu Wang leg., genital slide no. ZAH03430. Paratype: 1 ♂, 13.VIII.2001, other same data as holotype.

**Diagnosis.** This species is similar to *R. relicta* (Kuznetsov, 1968), but can be differentiated from the latter by tegumentary projections slender, sacculus with a tuft of hairs situated below ventral edge of basal opening, cucullus with ventral angle protruded. In *R. relicta* tegumentary projections broad and short, sacculus without a tuft of hairs and cucullus with ventral angle blunt.

**Description.** Fore wing expanse 11.0 mm. Head white, frons with erect scales. Antenna with scape white and flagellum brown. Labial palpus grey, terminal segment white. Thorax and tegula brown. Fore wing upperside ground color grey, brown on apex; costa with only a pair of strigulae between base and Sc distinct, other five pairs distributed between Sc and R₄; basal fascia minute, brown; dorso-postbasal blotch dark grey right triangular; ocellus small, contained some brown longitudinal streaks, a large dark grey blotch located on the inner side of ocellus; cilia grey; underside dark grey. Hind wing upperside and cilia grey; underside dark grey, with strigulae at costa like that on upperside. Prothoracic leg brown; mesothoracic leg grey, with tibia and tarsus brown; metathoracic leg grey, with brown scales on tarsus.

Male genitalia (Fig. 2d). Tegumentary projections slender, porrect, wider at base, gradually narrowed to middle; socii triangular, with a few hairs. Valva long, with a distinct neck; sacculus with some thick hairs, on ventral edge of basal opening situated a tuft of hairs; cucullus broad and short, hairy, with marginal spines, ventral angle protruded. Aedeagus stout; cornuti numerous and deciduous (undetected).

Female. Unknown.

**Distribution.** China (Hunan).

**Etymology.** The specific name is derived from the Latin *floccosus* = flocculent, in reference to sacculus with a tuft of hairs situated below ventral edge of basal opening in the male genitalia.

3.7. Rhopobota bucera sp. n. (Figs. 1e, 2e)

**Type material.** Holotype ♂: China, Yangling (34.17° N, 108. 40° E), Shaanxi Province, 450 m a.s.l., 24.V.1985, Houhun Li leg., genital slide no. ZAH04091.

**Diagnosis.** This species is similar to *R. macrosepalana* (Oku, 1971), but can be distinguished by the following characters of the male genitalia: tegumentary projections horned, ventral angle of the sacculus obtuse. While in *R. macrosepalana* tegumentary projections short clubbed, ventral angle of the sacculus indistinct.

**Description.** Fore wing expanse 12.5 mm. Vertex grey mixed with greyish brown, frons white. Antenna with scape grey and flagellum light brown. Labial palpus greyish brown, terminal segment white. Thorax brown mixed with grey; tegula with basal 1/3 brown and apical 2/3 grey. Fore wing upperside ground color grey; costa with seven pairs of strigulae, the first two pairs between base and the point where Sc meets costa, other five pairs between Sc and R₄; basal and subbasal fasciae forming basal patch, extending from 1/6 of costa to 1/3 of dorsum, protruded; ocellus silvery, circled with brown scales above and inside; cilia greyish brown; underside dark grey, with strigulae at costa like that on upperside. Hind wing upperside and cilia grey; underside grey. Prothoracic leg brown; mesothoracic leg grey, with tibia and tarsus brown; metathoracic leg grey, with brown scales on tarsus.

Male genitalia (Fig. 2e). Tegumentary projections large, horned, weakly sclerotized; socii with a few hairs. Valva narrow and long, with a slender neck; sacculus with long hairs, with a drape situated on posterior edge of basal opening, sacculus angle obtused; cucullus nearly oblong, hairy, with marginal spines, rounded dorsally, ventral angle 90°. Aedeagus elongate; cornuti numerous (deciduous).

Female. Unknown.

**Distribution.** China (Shaanxi).

**Etymology.** The specific name is derived from the Latin "bucerus" = horned, referring to the shape of the tegumentary projections in the male genitalia.
3.8. *Rhopobota antrifera* (Meyrick, 1935) (Figs. 1f, 2f)


Material examined. 1#, China: Hefeng County, Hubei Province, 1,260 m a.s.l., 15.VII.1999, Houhun Li et al. leg.; 3##, Mt. Fanjing, Guizhou Province, 1,700 m a.s.l., 1.VI.2002, Xinpu Wang leg.

Male genitalia (Fig. 2f). As illustrated.

Distribution. China (Zhejiang, Hubei, Guizhou), Russia.

Remarks. The wing pattern and the male genitalia of this species are provided by Clarke (1958). The species is much similar to *R. shikokuensis* (Oku, 1971), but differs in tegumentary projections bending inward, ventral angle of cucullus protrudent and produced into a small process. In *R. shikokuensis* tegumentary projections bending outward, ventral angle of cucullus not protruding.

3.9. *Rhopobota bicolor* Kawabe, 1989 (Figs. 1g, 2g, 3a)


Male genitalia (Fig. 2g). As illustrated.

Female genitalia (Fig. 3a). As illustrated.

Distribution. China (Hubei, Hunan, Taiwan), Japan, Thailand.

Remarks. Kawabe (1989) provided the photographs of adult, male and female genitalia of the species. This species is typically represented by ground color of fore wing bicolored, i.e. the anterior part blackish brown and the posterior part pale greyish brown.

3.10. *Rhopobota blanditana* (Kuznetsov, 1988) (Figs. 1h, 2h)


*Rhopobota blanditana* (Kuznetsov) Kuznetsov, 1999: 343.

Material examined. 3♂♂, China: Mt. Fanjing, Guizhou Province, 1,300 m a.s.l., 2–3.VIII.2001, Houhun Li and Xinpu Wang leg.; 1♂, Baoxing County, Sichuan Province, 1,600 m a.s.l., 3.VIII.2004, Yingdang Ren leg.

Male genitalia (Fig. 2h). As illustrated.

Distribution. China (Sichuan, Guizhou, new record for China), Vietnam, Thailand.

Remarks. Kuznetsov (1999) transferred *Griselda blanditana* Kuznetsov to *Rhopobota* and synonymized *Griselda nielseni* Kawabe with this present species. This species is similar to *Rhopobota antrifera* (Meyrick) in appearance and genital characters, but can be easily distinguished by thorn-like tegumentary projections and sacculus angle obtused. In *Rhopobota antrifera* tegumentary projections are slender and bending inward, sacculus angle is indistinct.

3.11. *Rhopobota eclipticodes* (Meyrick, 1935) (Figs. 1i, 2i, 4a)


Specimens examined. 104♂♂, 9♀♀, China: Mt. Tianmu, Zhejiang Province, 350–1,500 m a.s.l., 15–18.VII.1999, Houhun Li et al. leg.; 1♂, Wufeng County, Hubei Province, 1,100 m a.s.l., 11.VII.1999, Houhun Li et al. leg.; 1♂, Jiangkou County, Guizhou Province, 1,700 m a.s.l., 29.VII.2001, Houhun Li and Xinpu Wang leg.

Description. Male and female fore wing expanse 12.0–14.0 mm. Vertex brown mixed with white. Antenna light fulvous. Labial palpus greyish brown; second segment apically white. Thorax greyish brown mixed with grey; tegula with basal half greyish brown and apical half grey. Fore wing upperside ground color grey; costa with nine pairs of strigulae, the first four pairs dis-
tributed between base to the point Sc meets costa, other five pairs between Sc and R₄; dorsum with a triangular greyish brown dorso-postbasal blotch; ocellus oval, grey, contained four longitudinal brown streaks; cilia grey, brown on apex; underside dark grey. Hind wing upperside and cilia grey; underside grey. Prothoracic and mesothoracic legs grey, with tibiae and tarsi brown; metathoracic leg grey.

Male genitalia (Fig. 4a). Tegumentary projections slender, long sickle-shaped, bending outward; socii finger-shaped, large, hairy. Valva elongate, with a large triangular process on posterior edge of basal opening; sacculus with a semi-circular lobe; cucullus broad, hairy, with three or four thick setae (lost) ventrally. Aedeagus short; cornuti numerous, spiculate.

Female genitalia (Fig. 3b). As illustrated.

Distribution. China (Zhejiang, Hubei, Guizhou).

Remarks. This species was originally described based on the female specimen collected from Mt. Tianmu, Zhejiang Province. Clarke (1958) transferred Acroclita eclipticodes Meyrick to Erinaea and gave the photographs of wing pattern and female genitalia. During our study we found both sexes of the species from its type locality and other areas. This is the first description of the male.

3.12. *Rhopobota falcata* Nasu, 1999 (Figs. 5a, 4b)


Material examined. 2 ♂♂, China: Shangsi County, Guangxi Province, 510 m a.s.l., 6.IV.2002, Shulian Hao and Huaijun Xue leg.

Male genitalia (Fig. 4b). As illustrated.

Distribution. China (Guangxi, new record for China), Japan.

Remarks. This species was originally described based on the female specimen collected from Mt. Tianmu, Zhejiang Province. Clarke (1958) transferred Acroclita eclipticodes Meyrick to Erinaea and gave the photographs of wing pattern and female genitalia. During our study we found both sexes of the species from its type locality and other areas. This is the first description of the male.

3.13. *Rhopobota latipennis* (Walsingham, 1900) (Figs. 4c, 5b)

*Ancyliis latipennis* Walsingham, 1900: 439.


Specimens examined. 1 ♂, China: Songxian, Henan Province, 1580 m, 24.VII.2002, Xinpu Wang leg.

Male genitalia (Fig. 4c). As illustrated.

Host plant. *Padus racemosa* (Rosaceae) (Liu & Li 2002).

Distribution. China (Heilongjiang, Jiangxi, Henan), Japan, Russia (Far East).

Remarks. Kawabe (1982) provided the adult photograph. Liu & Li (2002) recorded this species from Heilongjiang Province and gave the illustrations of adults and genitalia. It resembles *Rhopobota naevana* (Hübner). The difference between them is remarked in the latter species.

3.14. *Rhopobota naevana* (Hübner, 1817) (Figs. 3c, 4d, 5c)

*Tortrix naevana* (Hübner, 1817): pl. 41, fig. 261.

*Tortrix unipunctana* (Haworth, 1811): 454. [preoccupied]


*Sciaphila luciferana* Walker, 1863: 342.

*Anchylopera vacciniana* Packard, 1869: 338.

*Epinotia ilicifoliana* Kearfott, 1907: 58.

*Acroclita microrryncha* Meyrick, 1931: 127.


Host plants. Fraxinus mandshurica (Oleaceae), Vaccinium vitis-idaea (Ericaceae), Malus spectabilis, Pyrus serotina, Crataegus pinnatifida, Armeniaca vulgaris, Prunus mume, Sorbus (Rosaceae), Rhamnus davurica (Rhamnaceae),
Ilex integra (Aquifoliceae) (Kuznetsov 2001, Liu & Li 2002).

Male genitalia (Fig. 4d). As illustrated.

Female genitalia (Fig. 3c). As illustrated.

Distribution. China (Tianjin, Hebei, Inner Mongolia, Liaoning, Heilongjiang, Zhejiang, Anhui, Fujian, Jiangxi, Henan, Hubei, Hunan, Guangdong, Sichuan, Guizhou, Yunnan, Tibet, Shaanxi, Gansu, Taiwan), Mongolia, Korea, Japan, India, Sri Lanka, Russia, Europe.

Remarks. This species is similar to Rhopobota latipennis (Walsingham, 1900), but can be identified by the presence of a blue blotch on costa of the hind wing upperside. In Rhopobota latipennis this blue blotch is not present.

3.15. Rhopobota okui Nasu, 2000 (Figs. 4e, 5d)


Material examined. 1 ♂, China: Xixia County, Henan Province, 890 m a.s.l., 19.VII.1998, Houhun Li leg.; 1 ♂, Dazhong County, Guizhou Province, 1,350 m a.s.l., 25.V.2004, Shulian Hao leg.; 4 ♂♂, Lianzhou, Guangdong Province, 650 m a.s.l., 22.–25.VI.2004, Dandan Zhang leg.; 3 ♂♂, 1 ♀,
Mabian County, Sichuan Province, 1,200 m a.s.l., 22.VII.2004, Yingdang Ren leg.

**Male genitalia** (Fig. 4e). As illustrated.

**Distribution.** China (Henan, Guangdong, Sichuan, Guizhou, new record for China), Japan.

**Remarks.** This species is allied to *R. eclipticodes* (Meyrick, 1935), but can be separated by cucullus rounded dorsally, with two long setae on outer margin. In *R. eclipticodes* cucullus straight dorsally, with three or four long setae on outer margin.

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**3.16. *Rhopobota symbolias* (Meyrick, 1912)**

(Figs. 4f, 5e)

*Acroclita symbolias* Meyrick, 1912: 857; Clarke 1958: 283.


**Material examined.** 1 ♂, China: Shangsi County, Guangxi Province, 510 m a.s.l., 6.IV.2002, Shulian Hao and Huaijun Xue leg.; 4
3.17. *Rhopobota toshimai* (Kawabe, 1978) (Figs. 4g, 5f)


Type material. Holotype ♂: Japan, Shikoku-Okushioiri, Kagawa Pref., 15.VII.1972, T. Toshima leg., deposited in USNM and examined through the photographs of the adult from Taiwan and the genitalia of the holotype (USNM).

Male genitalia (Fig. 4g). As illustrated.

Distribution. China (Taiwan), Japan.

3.18. *Rhopobota ustomaculana* (Curtis, 1831) (Figs. 4h, 5g)

*Steganoptycha ustomaculana* Curtis, 1831: 8.

*Steganoptycha dorsivittana* Herrich-Sch fer, 1851: 280.


Material examined. 3 ♂♂, China: Mt. Fanjing, Guizhou Province, 2,100 m a.s.l., 30.–31.VII.2001, Houhun Li and Xinpu Wang leg.; 1 ♂, Jiangkou County, Guizhou Province, 1,700 m a.s.l., 29.VII.2001, Houhun Li and Xinpu Wang leg.

Male genitalia (Fig. 4h). As illustrated.


Distribution. China (Anhui, Jiangxi, Hunan, Sichuan, Guizhou, Tibet), Japan, Russia (Far East), Europe.

Remarks. This species is characterized by boot-shaped tegumentary projections and large finger-shaped socii. Cucullus is slightly broader than basal part of valva and sacculus has a large process on ventral edge of basal opening.

3.19. *Rhopobota visenda* (Kuznetsov, 1973) (Fig. 5h)

*Griselda visenda* Kuznetsov, 1973: 682.


Type material. Holotype ♂ (no. 177102): China, Tapaishan im Tsinling, Sued-Shensi, 20.VI.1935, H. Höne leg., genitalia are preserved in tube (no. 186051), deposited in MGAB. Allotype ♀ (no. 177103), China: Tapaishan im Tsinling, Sued-Shensi, 22.VI.1935, H. Höne leg., genitalia are preserved in tube (no. 186052), deposited in MGAB. In this study, the types were examined through the photographs of adults.

Distribution. China (Shaanxi).

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