

A new species of *Systelloderes*
(Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Enicocephalidae)
from South Africa

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Abstract. *Systelloderes stysi* sp. nov. from South Africa is described, and the apicital and tarsal armature of the fore leg is illustrated and described in detail.

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Introduction

In this paper I describe a new species of the genus *Systelloderes* Blanchard, 1852, from South Africa. The genus *Systelloderes* is nearly cosmopolitan in distribution but many species still remain undescribed. In his monograph, VILLIERS (1969) revised Afrotropical (19 species) and Madagascan (one species) faunas, keyed all species and provided their, unfortunately inadequate, descriptions. Only *S. bergeri* Villiers, 1976, from Tanzania and *S. olivaceus* Maldonado Capriles, 1988, from South Africa were described since then (VILLIERS 1976, MALDONADO CAPRILES 1988). ŠTYS (1970) described *S. oculatus* Štys, 1970, from Nigeria, but later on erected a separate monotypic genus *Owenoderes* Štys, 2002, to accommodate this species (ŠTYS 2002).

Material and methods

This study is based on an examination of a single specimen mentioned below. The label data are cited verbatim, using a slash (/) to separate rows on the label. Drawings of the fore leg were prepared from a glycerine mount and the photographs taken from a dry-mounted specimen.