

Dear Editor,

I am submitting together with this letter a manuscript to be considered for publication in *Revista Mexicana de Biodiversidad*. In this contribution we study the larval morphology of two Neotropical species of the crawling water beetle genus *Haliplus* Latreille, 1802 (Coleoptera, Haliplidae), including detailed morphometric and chaetotaxic analyses of selected structures. Except for the legs, which were briefly treated in previous papers, this is the first treatment of the larval primary chaetotaxy for the family Haliplidae. Characters of this genus are carefully illustrated and compared with those of other families of aquatic Adephaga for which the larvae have been described in detail, and interesting features are discussed. The text is accompanied by five figures and two tables.

As reviewers for this MS I would suggest:

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Looking forward to hearing from you...

Yours sincerely,

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