



A human challenge: discovering and understanding continental copepod habitats

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Abstract

Copepods have invaded an astonishing variety of aquatic and humid continental environments and microhabitats. The historical process of discovery and investigation of copepods in ephemeral, acid and thermal waters, subterranean waters and sediments, phytotelmata, humid soils, leaf litter, human-modified and artificial habitats, and other situations extends over about 130 years. The methods developed to collect in and study these habitats range from simple nets to elaborate pumping systems and diving techniques. Investigations of non-lacustrine continental environments have contributed greatly to the understanding of aspects of copepod biology such as reproduction, diapause and population dynamics. Questions regarding faunistics and biological diversity, biogeography, evolution, transport and introductions of alien species have also been informed by such studies. This article briefly reviews these topics, and provides detailed lists of records from some of the less well-known kinds of habitats.

Introduction

Free-living copepod crustaceans are customarily treated as aquatic in the general limnological literature; however, some 130 years of imaginative collecting have revealed that they are capable of invading and surviving successfully in nearly every continental habitat and situation where sufficient moisture and organic matter are present, however intermittently. Certain kinds of habitats, such as phytotelmata, have received a good deal of attention from ecologists, but their copepod fauna has not been reviewed recently. Other kinds, particularly habitats modified or constructed by humans, or extreme habitats such as thermal waters, have been barely treated in the literature pertaining to copepods. This article briefly discusses some of the early history of investigations in the better-studied environments such as ephemeral waters, and discusses the kinds of information gained from studies in semi-aquatic natural or artificial habitats, referring to reviews where possible.

The fauna of acidic waters is normally investigated by standard limnological methods, and is not treated in detail here. Species of several genera of cyclop-

oids (e.g. *Acanthocyclops*, *Diacyclops*, *Paracyclops*), and harpacticoids (*Bryocamptus*, *Moraria*) have been found in waters of pH 4 or below (Rylov, 1948; Lewis, 1974; Fryer, 1980, 1993). The physiological adaptations that enable some species but not others to thrive in acidic waters have been almost entirely uninvestigated.

Historical process and development of methods

Following the first observation of free-living freshwater copepods, apparently by Blankaart (1688), investigations proceeded sporadically until the era of the great naturalists and collector-explorers in the late 19th century. Although most early investigations focused on plankton, Pratz (1866, cited in Schmeil, 1892) described several cyclopoids from wells in Munich, Germany. Brady (1868) provided the first report of copepods from a deep subterranean, human-altered habitat, a coal mine in England. Studies of copepods in caves began with the collections of Vosseler (1886) near Württemberg, Germany. Scourfield (1903) provided the earliest report of copepods in phytotelmata, in bromeliads and a pitcher

plant in botanical gardens in London. The potential for copepods not only to invade man-made habitats but also to survive in them successfully was apparently first recognized by Kraepelin (1886), who collected cyclopoids and calanoids from the city water system of Hamburg, Germany.

In the initial investigations of subterranean waters, natural caves and springs, or relatively large permanent artificial deep holes such as dug and driven wells were sampled. The Karaman-Chappuis method (Chappuis, 1942, 1956) of simply digging holes in sand and gravel banks of streams allowed investigators to reach the top several dm of sediment, in any locality desired. The Bou-Rouch pump (Bou & Rouch, 1967), a simplification of an apparatus developed by Delamare Deboutteville (1954) for use in marine sandy beaches, yielded semi-quantitative water samples from permeable sediments 1–2 m or more deep, and became the standard method for sampling interstitial and phreatic fauna. A modification of the Bou-Rouch pump to avoid damaging the specimens, by capturing them in a container rather than passing them through the pump, was advocated by Vigna Taglianti et al. (1969). The double-packer sampler, developed by Danielopol & Niederreiter (1987), provides simultaneous samples of the fauna and the water. Perhaps the most exact quantitative method is the freeze-coring method of Bretschko & Klemens (1986), in which the meiofauna is first paralyzed by an electric field, and then the core is frozen with liquid nitrogen. What may be the largest semi-portable well-drilling system was used by Stanford & Ward (1988), to reach depths of 30 m in alluvial riverine sediments of the Flathead River valley, Montana, U.S.A. Deeper sediments are more customarily reached by sampling from permanent driven wells.

Habitats

Ephemeral waterbodies

The faunas of vernal pools were reviewed by Wiggins et al. (1980), and those of temporary lentic waters, particularly in semi-arid lands, by W. D. Williams (1985). Adaptive strategies, particularly diapause, of crustaceans for surviving dry periods have been the subject of many studies, and especially the literature on diapause in copepods has been reviewed recently by Dahms (1996), Hairston & Cáceres (1996) and Williams-Howze (1997), among others.

The faunas of ephemeral streams have received much less attention. D. D. Williams & Hynes (1976) found that *Attheyella nordenskiöldii* and *Acanthocyclops vernalis* were abundant in the hyporheic zone of a temporary stream in southern Canada, and both species showed habitat-specific adaptations, such as timed reproduction and summer resting stages. Otherwise, copepods (and the meiofaunal community in general) of ephemeral streams seem to have been almost unstudied. Rouch (1992) described two species of harpacticoids of a previously unknown genus, *Psammonitocrella*, from an ephemeral desert stream in Arizona, U.S.A.

Rock hollows and rock or cliff faces

Water collected in natural hollows such as solution holes on bare rocks may come to hold copepods. These are usually common species such as *A. vernalis* and *Eucyclops agilis* in England (Scourfield, 1939), and *Cryptocyclops bicolor linjanticus* (Kiefer, 1928) and *Mesocyclops leuckarti* (probably = *M. aspericornis*) in Fiji (Laird, 1956). However, in Western Australia, the calanoid *Boeckella opaqua* Fairbridge, 1945, is found only in water-filled holes ('gnammas') on granite outcrops (Bayly, 1979, 1992). *Alloccyclops ritae* is known only from a small pool on granitic rock in the Ivory Coast (Dumont & Lamoot, 1978).

Subterranean habitats

The copepod fauna of groundwater-related and cave habitats has been extensively reviewed (e.g. Graeter, 1910; Chappuis, 1927; Bowman, 1986; Lescher-Moutoué, 1986; Rouch, 1986, 1994). Galassi (2000) traced the changing concepts of subterranean habitats, from the early idea that they are unusual or challenging situations, to the growing realization that subterranean habitats can support a diverse and successful copepod fauna. Indeed, certain groups such as members of the cyclopoid genus *Diacyclops* have been more successful in subterranean than in epigeal situations (Stoch, 1995, 2000), although the reasons for their success remain mysterious. Two less-investigated subterranean habitats are discussed here: the interstitial, including the stream-hyporheos; and the 'pholeteros' or assemblage in crayfish and crab burrows.

The diverse copepod community inhabiting the interstices among the sand grains of marine beaches, as well as in loose flocculent mud, was discovered by Wilson (1935). He pointed out the particular morphological adaptations, including reduction and uniformity in body size, vermiform shape, increased body

flexibility, development of sense organs, shortening and strengthening of swimming legs, shape and carriage of the egg sacs, reduction in egg number with increase in egg size, and behavior, seen in interstitial copepods.

Following the pioneering studies of the microscopic fauna of sandy beaches in European lakes by Sassuchin et al. (1927) and others, copepods in the psammon of freshwater lake beaches were intensively investigated by Pennak (1939a,b, 1940), who also reviewed the early history of investigations of the psammon (Pennak, 1968). Chappuis (1946) called attention to the special groundwater habitat associated with the alluvial sand, gravel and 'cailloux' sediments below and beside watercourses. This habitat, now known as the hyporheic zone, was apparently first investigated by Leruth (1938), in the groundwater of gravel deposits associated with the Meuse River in Belgium. The development of the Bou-Rouch pump allowed investigators to reach the deeper strata of streambeds and other permeable phreatic sediments.

The concept of the hyporheic zone as an ecotonal habitat was discussed by Rouch et al. (1997). Rouch & Danielopol (1997) argued that hypogean habitats including the sand-interstitial, hyporheic, phreatic, karstic and hole and cave faunas are much richer in species than is commonly estimated, although long-term studies are necessary to estimate faunal diversity adequately. Certainly, in the past six decades, rich hypogean-interstitial copepod faunas have been discovered wherever these habitats have been investigated (e.g. Lescher-Moutoué, 1986; Rouch, 1986).

Crayfish tunnels may serve as refuges for many species of benthic copepods, including rather eurytopic, widely distributed ones such as *Attheyella dentata* (Poggenpol, 1874), *Attheyella trispinosa* (Brady, 1880), *Halectinosoma abrau* (Krichagin, 1877) and *Paracyclops affinis* in burrows of *Astacus fluviatilis* in Europe (Chappuis, 1926; Kiefer, 1927b; Jakubisiak, 1939). In Ontario, Canada, burrows of *Cambarus fodiens* along a temporary stream harbored large populations of *A. vernalis* and *A. nordenskiöldii* (D. D. Williams et al., 1974; D. D. Williams & Hynes, 1976). In Victoria, Australia, *Diacyclops cryonastes* Morton, 1985, was found in burrow water of *Engaeus* sp., and in Tasmania, *Acanthocyclops* sp. occurred in burrows of *Parastacoides tasmanicus* (Lake & Newcombe, 1975; Lake, 1977). Even normally planktonic species such as the large calanoid *Osphranticum labronectum* Forbes, 1882, have been found in water in the burrows of *Cambarus diogenes* in Missouri,

U.S.A., during a dry spell (Creaser, 1931). The assemblage of animals living in the water in burrows of land crayfish was termed the 'pholeteros' by Lake (1977).

Several species of harpacticoids (*Attheyella crassa*, *Attheyella northumbrica* (Brady, 1880) (= *dentata*), *Attheyella trispinosa*, *Bryocamptus minutus*, *Canthocamptus staphylinus* (Jurine, 1820) and *Nitocrella hibernica* (Brady, 1880)) have been found on crayfish gills, but may be only accidentals (Chappuis, 1926; Gurney, 1930), and may also use the burrows as refuges.

This possible use of refuges may have led to the development of various degrees of commensalism between certain harpacticoid species and crayfish. *Nitocrella divaricata* (Chappuis, 1923) is found only on the carapace or in the gills of *A. fluviatilis*, *Astacus astacus*, *Astacus leptodactylus* and *Austropotamobius torrentium* in Europe, and is either a commensal or an obligate associate (Chappuis, 1923, 1926; Kiefer, 1937; Jakubisiak, 1939; Straskraba, 1956; Sterba, 1964; Boshko, 1976; Defaye, 1996; Subchev & Stanimirova, 1998). Two North American harpacticoids, *Attheyella pilosa* Chappuis, 1929, and *Attheyella carolinensis* Chappuis, 1932, have an intermediate habit: they occur free-living, but are more frequently found on the bodies of several species of *Cambarus* and *Orconectes rusticus* (Prins, 1964; Bowman et al., 1968).

In the tropics, burrows of land crabs (*Cardisoma carnifex*) containing fresh or slightly brackish water regularly harbor *Mesocyclops aspericornis* and *Paracyclops fimbriatus* on the volcanic islands of French Polynesia (Rivière & Thirel, 1981; Rivière et al., 1987; Rivière, Klein, Duval et al., 1998). Laird (1956) collected *Thermocyclops operculifer* Kiefer, 1930, in crab holes on Tarawa (Gilbert Islands). Yeatman (1983) reported several copepod species from crab holes: *Darcythompsonia inopinata* Smirnov, 1934 (Western Samoa, Fiji), *Ectocyclops phaleratus* (Fiji), *Halicyclops septentrionalis* Kiefer, 1935 (Fiji), *Halicyclops thermophilus* Kiefer, 1929, s. str. (Tonga, Western Samoa, Fiji), *H. thermophilus spinifer* Kiefer, 1935 (Tonga), *Mesocyclops leuckarti* (possibly = *M. aspericornis*) (Tonga, Fiji), *Microcyclops microsetosus* Yeatman, 1983 (Fiji), *Nitokra lacustris pacifica* Yeatman, 1983 (Western Samoa, Tonga), *Nitokra pseudospinipes* Yeatman, 1983 (Tonga, Fiji), *Schizopera tobae* Chappuis, 1931 (Fiji), and *Tisbella pulchella* (Wilson, 1932) (Fiji). Mogi et al. (1984) reported that *Thermocyclops* sp. and *Mesocyclops leuck-*

arti (the latter possibly misidentified) were common in crab holes in the Ryukyus. Laird (1988) collected *Eucyclops serrulatus* and *M. aspericornis* from freshwater, and *H. thermophilus* s. str. from brackish-water crab holes in Western Samoa. Hobbs & Villalobos (1958) reported the presence of harpacticoid copepods on the exoskeleton of the freshwater crab *Pseudothelphusa lamellifrons* in Mexico. The possibility that use of crab holes as refuges may have facilitated the development of copepod commensals remains a subject for future investigations.

Phytotelmata

In humid climates, the recesses of plant structures often contain enough water to support small aquatic invertebrates, of which some species seem to have a predilection for, and others may be specifically adapted for this habitat. The observed behavior of certain species implies that they may climb actively into the plants. These copepods can live in a film of water and tend to climb the walls of glass containers, out of the water, such as *Bryocamptus pygmaeus* (observed by Gurney, 1932) and *P. fimbriatus*, *P. affinis* and *E. phaleratus* (Schmeil, 1892; Scourfield, 1894).

In the tropics, the water pools in bromeliads have been much investigated, following the discovery and characterization of this habitat by the celebrated naturalist Fritz Müller, working in Brazil (Müller, 1879). Frank (1980) and Janetzky (1997) listed a number of copepod species known from bromeliads; Table 1A extends their lists.

Pitcher plants in temperate acid bogs are also convenient collecting sites for copepods (Table 1B). The tendency of certain species such as *Bryocamptus minutus*, *E. phaleratus* and *P. affinis* to climb out of water onto vertical, though still moist surfaces (Scourfield, 1894; Graham, 1907) may account for the fact that some of these are common in pitcher plants (Hamilton et al., 2000). Unidentified cyclopids occurred in about 40% of the pitcher plants at a site in northern Florida, U.S.A. (Harvey & Miller, 1996). Also in Florida, cyclopoid copepods showed an aggregated distribution in plants, and their occurrence was strongly correlated with biotic factors (Harvey & Miller, 1993).

Treeholes (Table 1C) are probably the best studied type of phytotelma in temperate climates. The European beech (*Fagus sylvatica*) is especially prone to develop holes at the junction of the trunk and its elevated limbs. The practice of pollarding trees in Europe has also led to the creation of a large number

of treeholes (Scourfield, 1915). Apparently the first person to investigate treeholes was Scourfield (1915), who described a new species of *Moraria*. However, it is unusual for investigations of treeholes to include quantitative estimates of non-insect invertebrates. In an extensive study in Germany, Rohnert (1951) reported only one species of copepod, *Moraria* sp., and considered that copepods were accidental arrivals.

Nearly any plant recess may form a receptacle for water and come to harbor copepods (Table 1D). However, it is clear from the list of recorded species that certain groups favor phytotelmata: *Attheyella* (subgenus *Canthosella*) and some *Elaphoidella* in neotropical bromeliads, and certain *Ectocyclops*, *Paracyclops* and *Tropocyclops*, plus the ubiquitous soil-dwellers *Epactophanes richardi* and *Phyllognathopus viguieri* in both the tropics and temperate zones. Species of *Canthosella* are predominantly found in bromeliads, and *Tropocyclops jamaicensis* invades terrestrial bromeliads quickly and may be an obligate phytotelma dweller (Reid & Janetzky, 1996).

Mosses

The records of harpacticoids and small cyclopoids from aquatic and terrestrial mosses in humid climates are so numerous as to be almost impossible to review. Both aquatic mosses (*Sphagnum*, *Hypnum*) and terrestrial mosses and liverworts in more humid situations harbor their own, sometimes distinctive, copepod faunas. Masses of aquatic mosses when squeezed yield small species of *Acanthocyclops*, *Diacyclops* and other cyclopoid genera. Many species of *Bryocyclops* and *Muscocyclops* live in moss (e.g. Scourfield, 1939). Some 12 species of harpacticoids, mostly canthocamptids, were collected from terrestrial moss in open or forested locations in New Zealand (Lewis, 1984). Seeps on rock outcrops where moss and algae grow may also hold copepods, usually common species such as *B. pygmaeus*, but sometimes rarer ones such as *Speocyclops demetiensis* (Scourfield, 1932) (Gurney, 1932; Scourfield, 1932, 1939) and *Stolonicyclops heggiensis* Reid & Spooner, 1998. Wet moss on rock faces was the home of several canthocamptids in Tasmania (Hamond, 1988).

Leaf litter

The slowly decaying mats of leaf litter in humid temperate forests create a moist habitat favourable to several species of cyclopoids and harpacticoids, mainly canthocamptids (Table 2). Among the earliest reports were those by Gurney (1932) and Remy (1932). The

Table 1. Species of copepods reported from phytotelmata. Species are listed under the current name of the taxon, as far as possible; synonymies of most species were listed by Dussart & Defaye (1985, 1990) for Cyclopoida and Harpacticoida, respectively

| Kind of phytotelmata/ Species | Location | Reference |
|--|---|--|
| A. Bromeliads | | |
| Harpacticoida | | |
| <i>Attheyella aliena</i> Noodt, 1956 | Germany (greenhouse) | Noodt (1956) |
| <i>Attheyella jureiae</i> Por & Hadel, 1986 | Brazil | Por & Hadel (1986) |
| <i>Attheyella mervini</i> Janetzky, Martínez Arbizu & Reid, 1996 | Jamaica | Janetzky et al. (1996), Janetzky (1997) |
| <i>Attheyella sriblingi</i> (Reid, 1990) | Costa Rica | Reid (1990) |
| <i>Attheyella vera</i> Por & Hadel, 1986 | Brazil | Por & Hadel (1986) |
| <i>Canthocamptus</i> sp. ¹ | Java | Menzel (1922, 1924, 1925b) |
| <i>Elaphoidella bidens</i> (Schmeil, 1894) | Puerto Rico | Reid (1993b) |
| <i>Elaphoidella bromeliaecola</i> (Chappuis, 1928) | Java | Chappuis (1928, 1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Elaphoidella malayica</i> (Chappuis, 1928) | Java | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Elaphoidella sewelli</i> (Chappuis, 1928) | Jamaica | Laessle (1961) |
| <i>E. sewelli</i> | Puerto Rico | Maguire (1970) |
| <i>Elaphoidella</i> sp. | Puerto Rico | Reid (1993b) |
| <i>Epactophanes richardi</i> Mrázek, 1893 | England (botanical garden) | Gurney (1932) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Jamaica | Janetzky et al. (1996) |
| <i>Phyllognathopus viguieri</i> (Maupas, 1892) | Java | Menzel (1922, 1924, 1925b, 1926b) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | England (botanical gardens, purchased pineapples) | Gurney (1932), Lowndes 1931, Scourfield (1903, 1906, 1939) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Brazil | Chappuis (1936) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Poland | Jakubisiak (1929) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Puerto Rico | Maguire (1970) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Jamaica | Janetzky et al. (1996) |
| <i>P. viguieri menzeli</i> (Chappuis, 1928) | Java | Chappuis (1928, 1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| canthocamptids | Australia (botanical gardens) | Hamond (1988) |
| harpacticoids | Brazil | Lopez et al. (1998) |
| Cyclopoida | | |
| <i>Bryocyclops anninae</i> (Menzel, 1926) | Java | Menzel (1926a), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Bryocyclops bogoriensis</i> (Menzel, 1926) | Java | Menzel (1926a), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Bryocyclops caroli</i> Bjornberg, 1985 | Puerto Rico | Maguire (1970), Reid (1999) |
| <i>Cyclops</i> sp. ² | Argentina | Torales et al. (1972) |
| <i>Diacyclops bisetosus</i> (Rehberg, 1880) | England | Gurney (1933) |
| <i>Ectocyclops bromelicola</i> Kiefer, 1935 | Brazil | Kiefer (1935) |
| <i>Ectocyclops phaleratus</i> (Koch, 1838) | Costa Rica | Picado (1913) |
| <i>E. phaleratus</i> | Jamaica | Laessle (1961), Reid & Janetzky (1996) |
| <i>Ectocyclops strenzkei</i> Herbst, 1959 | Brazil | Herbst (1959) |
| <i>E. strenzkei</i> | Germany (greenhouse) | Herbst (1959) |
| <i>Ectocyclops</i> sp. | Brazil | Hadel & Carvalho (1988) |
| <i>Fimbricyclops jimhensoni</i> Reid, 1993b | Puerto Rico | Reid (1993b) |
| <i>Fimbricyclops</i> sp. | Puerto Rico | Reid (1999) |
| <i>Muscocyclops operculatus</i> (Chappuis, 1917) | Brazil | Kiefer (1935), Rocha & Bjornberg (1987) |

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| Kind of phytotelmata/ Species | Location | Reference |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| <i>Paracyclops bromeliicola</i> Karaytug & Boxshall, 1998 | Brazil | Karaytug & Boxshall (1998a) |
| <i>Paracyclops fimbriatus</i> (Fischer, 1853) | Brazil | Ferreira (1985) |
| <i>P. fimbriatus</i> f. <i>bromeliarum</i> Herbst, 1959 | Brazil | Herbst (1959) |
| <i>Paracyclops punctatus</i> Karaytug & Boxshall, 1998 | Brazil | Karaytug & Boxshall (1998a) |
| <i>Paracyclops reidae</i> Karaytug & Boxshall, 1998 | Trinidad | Karaytug & Boxshall (1998a) |
| <i>Paracyclops</i> sp. | Brazil | Hadel & Carvalho (1988) |
| <i>Tropocyclops jamaicensis</i> Reid & Janetzky, 1996 | Jamaica | Reid & Janetzky (1996), Janetzky (1997), Laessle (1961) |
| <i>Tropocyclops prasinus</i> (Fischer, 1860) | Puerto Rico | Reid (1993b) |
| <i>Tropocyclops schubarti</i> Kiefer, 1935 | Brazil | Kiefer (1935), Herbst (1959) |
| <i>Tropocyclops</i> sp. | Brazil | Hadel & Carvalho (1988) |
| Cyclopoids | Brazil | Lopez et al. (1998) |
| copepods | Belgium? | Oye (1923); cited by Frank (1980) |
| B. Pitcher plants (<i>Sarracenia</i> spp.) | | |
| Harpacticoida | | |
| <i>Bryocamptus hiatus</i> (Willey, 1925) | Canada | Laird (1988) |
| <i>Phyllognathopus viguieri</i> | England | Scourfield (1903, 1939) |
| Cyclopoida | | |
| <i>Acanthocyclops parasensitivus</i> Reid, 1998 | U.S.A. | Reid (1998) |
| <i>Acanthocyclops venustoides pilosus</i> Kiefer, 1934 | Canada, U.S.A. | Laird (1988) |
| <i>Diacyclops harryi</i> Reid, 1992 | U.S.A. | Reid (1992) |
| <i>Diacyclops languidus</i> (G. O. Sars, 1863) | U.S.A. | Ishida (1992) |
| <i>Paracyclops canadensis</i> (Willey, 1934) | Canada | Willey (1934) |
| <i>P. canadensis</i> | U.S.A. | Hamilton et al. (2000) |
| Cyclopidae | U.S.A. | Miller et al. (1994), Harvey & Miller (1996) |
| 'Entomostraca' | U.S.A. | Hegner (1926) |
| C. Tree holes or stump holes | | |
| Harpacticoida | | |
| <i>Bryocamptus minutus</i> (Claus, 1863) | England, Ireland | Gurney (1932) |
| <i>Bryocamptus pygmaeus</i> (Sars, 1863) | England | Gurney (1920, 1932) |
| <i>Epactophanes richardi</i> | Germany | Kiefer (1924) |
| <i>Moraria arboricola</i> Scourfield, 1915 | England | Gurney (1920, 1932), Scourfield (1915, 1939) |
| <i>Moraria varica</i> (Graeter, 1911) | England | Gurney (1920, 1932), Scourfield (1939) |
| <i>Moraria</i> sp. | Germany | Rohnert (1951) |
| <i>Elaphoidella taroi</i> Chappuis, 1955 | Fiji | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Phyllognathopus viguieri</i> | Tonga, Western Samoa, Fiji | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Tachidius discipes</i> Giesbrecht, 1882 | England | Gurney (1920) |
| Cyclopoida | | |
| <i>Apocyclops</i> sp. | Fiji | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Australocyclops australis</i> Morton, 1985 | New South Wales, Australia | Morton (1985) |
| <i>Bryocyclops bogoriensis</i> | Fiji (Ivi, <i>Inocarpus edulis</i>) | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Bryocyclops fidjiensis</i> Lindberg, 1954 | Tonga, Western Samoa, Fiji | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Cryptocyclops linjanticus</i> (Kiefer, 1928) | Fiji | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Diacyclops bisetosus</i> | England | Gurney (1933), Hollowday (1949) |

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| Kind of phytotelmata/ Species | Location | Reference |
|--|--|---|
| <i>Diacyclops</i> spp. | Italy | Stoch (2000) |
| <i>Halicyclops thermophilus</i> Kiefer, 1929 | Tonga, Western Samoa, Fiji | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Mesocyclops aspericornis</i> (Daday, 1906) | French Polynesia: holes in buttresses of <i>Inocarpus fagifer</i> | Rivière & Thirel (1981); Rivière et al. (1987) |
| <i>Paracyclops fimbriatus</i> | Fiji | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Paracyclops poppei</i> (Rehberg, 1880) | U.S.A. | Reid & Marten (1994), Karaytug & Boxshall (1998a) |
| Cyclopidae | Nukunono, Tokelau Islands | Laird (1956) |
| copepods | Brunei (dipterocarp forest) | Kitching & Orr (1996) |
| D. Other phytotelmata | | |
| Harpacticoida | | |
| <i>Attheyella gessneri</i> Chappuis, 1956 | Venezuela: leaf axils of <i>Heliconia bihai</i> (Musaceae) | Chappuis (1956) |
| <i>Attheyella inopinata</i> Chappuis, 1931 | Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>Cyrtandra glabra</i> (Gesneriaceae) | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Attheyella rutneri</i> Chappuis, 1931 | Bali, Java: wet leaves of <i>Elatostema macrophyllum</i> (Urticaceae) and leaf axils of <i>Colocasia indica</i> (Araceae) | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Bryocamptus pygmaeus</i> | Germany: leaf axils of <i>Scirpus silvaticus</i> (Cyperaceae) | Strenzke (1951) |
| <i>Canthocamptus</i> sp. | Java: leaf axils of <i>C. glabra</i> | Menzel (1924) |
| <i>Elaphoidella bromeliaecola</i> | Java, Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>Colocasia</i> sp., <i>C. glabra</i> and <i>Pandanus</i> sp. (Pandanaeae) | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Elaphoidella cornuta</i> Chappuis, 1931 | Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>C. glabra</i> | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Elaphoidella elegans</i> Chappuis, 1931 | Java: leaf axils of <i>C. indica</i> | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Elaphoidella taroi</i> | Fiji: leaf axils of taro (<i>Colocasia esculenta</i>) and <i>Cordyline terminalis</i> (Agavaceae) | Chappuis (1955) |
| <i>E. taroi</i> | Fiji, Western Samoa: fallen coconut shells, leaf axils of taro | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>E. taroi</i> | Tahiti: fallen coconut shells | Rivière, Klein, Thirel & Chebret (1998) |
| <i>Elaphoidella thienemanni</i> Chappuis, 1931 | Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>C. glabra</i> | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Elaphoidella</i> sp. | Fiji: leaf axils of <i>Colocasia</i> sp. and <i>C. terminalis</i> | Laird (1956) |
| <i>Epactophanes richardi</i> | Java: leaf-cups of <i>Nepenthes</i> sp. (Nepenthaceae) | Menzel (1921) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>C. glabra</i> | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934), Lang (1935) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Java, Sumatra: inflorescences of <i>Zingiber macradenia</i> (Zingiberaceae), leaf axils of <i>Colocasia</i> sp. and <i>C. glabra</i> | Chappuis (1931) |
| <i>E. richardi menzeli</i> Chappuis, 1931 | Sumatra: leaf-cups of | Thienemann (1932, 1934) |

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Table 1. contd.

| Kind of phytotelmata/ Species | Location | Reference |
|--|---|---|
| | <i>Nepenthes ampullaria</i> ; also <i>C. glabra</i> , <i>Zingiber</i> sp. | |
| <i>Parastenocaris incerta</i> Chappuis, 1931 | Sumatra: leaf-cups of <i>N. ampullaria</i> in moss | Chappuis (1931); Thienemann Chappuis (1932) |
| <i>Parastenocaris staheli</i> | Surinam: moss in old leaf axils of <i>Livistona</i> (Palmae) | Menzel, 1916 |
| <i>Phyllognathopus viguieri</i> | Algeria: debris of a decaying banana tree | Chappuis (1916) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Java: leaf axils of <i>C. glabra</i> | Menzel (1924, 1925b, 1926b) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Poland: leaf axils of <i>Musa encete</i> (Musaceae) | Jakubisiak (1929) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>Colocasia</i> sp. | Chappuis (1931) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Sumatra: leaf-cups of <i>N. ampullaria</i> | Thienemann (1932) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Java, Sumatra: <i>Colocasia indica</i> , <i>Cyrtandra</i> sp., <i>Zingiber</i> sp. | Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | England: leaf-cups of <i>Crinum</i> sp. (Amaryllidaceae) | Scourfield (1939) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Fiji: leaf axils of <i>C. terminalis</i> and <i>Colocasia</i> sp. | Laird (1956) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Madagascar: leaf axils of <i>Typhonodorum</i> sp. (Araceae) | Dussart (1982) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Tonga, Western Samoa, Fiji: taro leaf axils, bamboo | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>P. viguieri menzeli</i> | Java, Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>Colocasia</i> spp., <i>C. glabra</i> , cups of <i>Nepenthes</i> sp., and inflorescences of <i>Z. macradenia</i> | Chappuis (1931), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>P. viguieri menzeli</i> | Guam: leaf axils of <i>Pandanus</i> | Watkins & Belk (1975) |
| Harpacticoida | Sulawesi: leaf axils of taro | Mogi & Sembel (1996) |
| harpacticoid | Costa Rica: bracts of <i>Heliconia imbricata</i> (Musaceae) | Naeem (1988) |
| Cyclopoida | | |
| <i>Bryocyclops anninae</i> | New Hebrides: empty coconut husks | Lowndes (1928a) |
| <i>B. anninae</i> | Guam: leaf axils of <i>Pandanus</i> sp. | Watkins & Belk (1975) |
| <i>Bryocyclops bogoriensis</i> | Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>Colocasia</i> sp.; Java: leaf axils of <i>Pandanus</i> sp. | Kiefer (1933), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Bryocyclops chappuisi</i> Kiefer, 1928 | Java: leaf axils of <i>Crinum hybridum</i> | Kiefer (1933), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Bryocyclops fidjensis</i> | Fiji: leaf axils of <i>C. terminalis</i> , <i>Freycinetia milnei</i> (Pandanaeae), taro (<i>Colocasia antiquorum</i>) | Lindberg (1955) |
| <i>B. fidjensis</i> | Fiji, Tonga, Western Samoa, | Yeatman (1983) |

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Table 1. contd.

| Kind of phytotelmata/ Species | Location | Reference |
|---|---|----------------------------------|
| | Hawaii: bamboo, leaf axils of taro and <i>Pandanus</i> sp. | |
| <i>Bryocyclops muscicola</i> (Menzel, 1926) | Sumatra: leaf axils of <i>Pandanus</i> sp. | Kiefer (1933), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Bryocyclops</i> sp. | Fiji, Tonga: leaf axils of <i>Colocasia</i> sp., <i>C. terminalis</i> , and <i>Freycinetia milnei</i> ; and <i>Pandanus</i> sp., respectively | Laird (1956) |
| <i>Ectocyclops rubescens</i> (as <i>E. medius</i>) | Java: leaf axils of <i>C. indica</i> , leaves of nettles | Kiefer (1933), Thienemann (1934) |
| <i>Tropocyclops schubarti dispar</i> Herbst, 1962 | Brazil: shells of fallen Brazil nuts, <i>Bertholletia excelsa</i> (Lecythidaceae) | Herbst (1962) |
| Cyclopidae | Tarawa, Gilbert Islands: coconut shell | Laird (1956) |
| cyclopoids | Singapore: tree roots | Laird (1988) |
| Cyclopoida | Sulawesi: leaf axils of taro | Mogi & Sembel (1996) |
| copepods | Puerto Rico: water in fallen leaves | Maguire (1971) |
| copepods | Singapore: cups of <i>N. ampullaria</i> | Ghosh (1928) |

¹Should be considered an unidentified canthocamptid.

²Since *Cyclops* is not a tropical genus, this record should be considered an unidentified cyclopoid.

scanty literature on copepods in leaf litter was last reviewed for harpacticoids by Menzel (1946), and more generally discussed by Fiers & Ghenne (2000). Most studies have been done in Europe, where extensive areas are covered by beech (*Fagus sylvatica*) forests, and leaf litter from that and other trees now forms, or historically has formed vast carpets. Beech leaves tend to pack tightly together in a dense layer that retains water, and the animals live mainly in the deeper, more humid layers, directly on top of the forest floor (Nielsen, 1966; Schaeffer, 1991). In Denmark, populations of the harpacticoids *E. richardi* and *Maraenobiotus vej dovskiyi tenuispina* reached substantial densities (40 and 1.5 ind/g of leaves respectively) (Nielsen, 1966). Fiers & Ghenne (2000), treating a modest number of litter samples which were sampled and extracted using techniques more suitable for nematodes, listed 9 cyclopoid and 13 harpacticoid species, 9 of these new records for Belgium, and a significant addition to the list of 71 species previously known from that country. The leaf-carpet may be the primary habitat for certain harpacticoid species, such as *Maraenobiotus vej dovskiyi* var. *truncatus* (Scourfield, 1939) and some members of *Moraria*, as implied by the Yorkshire

records of Fryer (1993). Michailova-Neikova (1973) found that 8 of 9 harpacticoid species living in wet moss beside waterbodies on a mountain in Bulgaria also appeared in the leaf litter.

Outside Europe, leaf litter has been much less investigated (Table 2). Dumont & Maas (1988) described five new species of harpacticoids from leaf litter in Nepal, at altitudes from 1900 to 3900 m.

Moist rotting wood may also harbor copepods. *Elaphoidella cuspidata* Chappuis, 1941, was found by Chappuis (1954) in rotted wood in India. *Phyllognathopus camptoides* was described by Božić (1965) from moist dead wood collected from a forest in Gabon.

Moist soils

Reid (1986) reviewed qualitative and quantitative studies reporting copepods from moist soils. In their study in Belgium, Fiers & Ghenne (2000) also discovered a surprising number of species in soil samples, particularly in fallow soils.

The ecological role of soil copepods is not understood. Birch & Clark (1953) classified *Epactophanes* sp. among the bacterial feeding organisms in a study of

Table 2. Copepods recorded from leaf litter. Species are listed under the current name of the taxon, as far as possible; synonymies of most species were listed by Dussart & Defaye (1985, 1990) for Cyclopoida and Harpacticoida, respectively

| Species | Location | Source |
|---|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Harpacticoida | | |
| <i>Attheyella crassa</i> (Sars, 1863) | Bulgaria | Michailova-Neikova (1973) |
| <i>Attheyella ilami</i> Dumont & Maas, 1988 | Nepal | Dumont & Maas (1988) |
| <i>Attheyella wierzejskii</i> (Mrázek, 1893) | Bulgaria | Michailova-Neikova (1973) |
| <i>Bryocamptus hoferi</i> (Douwe, 1907) | Bulgaria | Michailova-Neikova (1973) |
| <i>Bryocamptus minutus</i> | Bulgaria | Michailova-Neikova (1973) |
| <i>Bryocamptus pygmaeus</i> | England | Scourfield (1940), Fryer (1993) |
| <i>B. pygmaeus</i> | France | Klie (1943) |
| <i>B. pygmaeus</i> | Bulgaria | Michailova-Neikova (1973) |
| <i>Bryocamptus stouti</i> Harding, 1958 | New Zealand | Harding (1958) |
| <i>Bryocamptus weberi</i> (Kessler, 1914) | England | Scourfield (1940) |
| <i>Bryocamptus zschokkei</i> (Schmeil, 1893) | Corsica | Klie (1943) |
| <i>B. zschokkei tatrensis</i> Minkiewicz, 1916 | Bulgaria | Michailova-Neikova (1973) |
| <i>Cantocamptus clavifurcatus</i> Hamond, 1988 | Tasmania | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus dedeckeri</i> Hamond, 1988 | Victoria, Australia | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus dumonti</i> Hamond, 1988 | Victoria, Australia | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus globulisetosus</i> Hamond, 1988 | Victoria, Australia | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus howardorum</i> Hamond, 1988 | Tasmania | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus lacinulatus</i> Hamond, 1988 | Victoria, Australia | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus longifurca</i> Hamond, 1988 | Victoria, Australia | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus mammillifurca</i> Hamond, 1988 | Victoria, Australia | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus mortoni</i> Hamond, 1988 | Tasmania | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus tasmaniae</i> Hamond, 1988 | Tasmania | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Canthocamptus timmsi</i> Hamond, 1988 | Tasmania | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Echinocamptus hypophyllus</i> Defaye & Heymer, 1996 | Congo (Zaire) | Defaye & Heymer (1996) |
| <i>Elaphoidella jochenmartensi</i> Dumont & Maas, 1988 | Nepal | Dumont & Maas (1988) |
| <i>Elaphoidella propedamasi</i> Defaye & Heymer, 1996 | Congo (Zaire) | Defaye & Heymer (1996) |
| <i>Elaphoidella pseudocornuta</i> Dumont & Maas, 1988 | Nepal | Dumont & Maas (1988) |
| <i>Epactophanes muscicolus</i> (Richters, 1901) | England | Scourfield (1940) |
| <i>Epactophanes richardi</i> | England, Ireland | Gurney (1932), Scourfield (1940) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Germany | Precht (1936) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Corsica | Klie (1943) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Denmark | Nielsen (1966) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Hawaii | Evenhuis & Preston (1995) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Congo (Zaire) | Defaye & Heymer (1996) |
| <i>Fibulacamptus gracilior</i> Hamond, 1988 | Victoria, Australia | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Fibulacamptus tasmanicus</i> Hamond, 1988 | Tasmania | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Fibulacamptus victorianus</i> Hamond, 1988 | Victoria, Australia | Hamond (1988) |
| <i>Maraenobiotus vej dovskiyi anglicus</i> Gurney, 1932 | England | Scourfield (1940) |
| <i>M. vej dovskiyi tenuispina</i> Roy, 1924 | Denmark | Nielsen (1966) |
| <i>M. vej dovskiyi tenuispina</i> | France | Remy (1932) |
| <i>M. vej dovskiyi truncatus</i> Gurney, 1932 | England | Scourfield (1940) |
| <i>M. vej dovskiyi truncatus</i> | France | Klie (1943) |
| <i>Moraria arboricola</i> Scourfield, 1915 | England | Scourfield (1940), Fryer (1993) |
| <i>Moraria frondicola</i> Klie, 1943 | Corsica | Klie (1943) |
| <i>Moraria ilami</i> Dumont & Maas, 1988 | Nepal | Dumont & Maas (1988) |
| <i>Moraria poppei</i> (Mrázek, 1893) | Bulgaria | Michailova-Neikova (1973) |

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Table 2. contd.

| Species | Location | Source |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| <i>Moraria terrula</i> Kikuchi, 1991 | Japan | Kikuchi (1984, 1991b) |
| <i>Moraria tsukubaensis</i> Kikuchi, 1991 | Japan | Kikuchi (1984, 1991a) |
| <i>Moraria valkanovi</i> Michailova-Neikova, 1973 | Bulgaria | Michailova-Neikova (1973) |
| <i>Moraria varica</i> | England, Ireland | Gurney (1932), Scourfield (1940) |
| <i>M. varica</i> | France | Božić (1966) |
| <i>M. varica</i> | England | Fryer (1993) |
| <i>Parbatocamptus jochenmartensi</i> Dumont & Maas, 1988 | Nepal | Dumont & Maas (1988) |
| <i>Phyllognathopus</i> cf. <i>camptoides</i> Božić, 1965 | Congo (Zaire) | Defaye & Heymer (1996) |
| <i>Phyllognathopus viguieri</i> | England | Scourfield (1940) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Agrihan Is., Marianas | Kikuchi (1994b) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Hawaii | Evenhuis & Preston (1995) |
| unidentified harpacticoid | England | Stout (1963) |
| Cyclopoida | | |
| <i>Alloccyclops silvaticus</i> Rocha & Bjornberg, 1988 | Brazil | Rocha & Bjornberg (1988) |
| <i>Bryocyclops anninae</i> | Hawaii | Evenhuis & Preston (1995) |
| <i>Bryocyclops phyllopus</i> Kiefer, 1935 | Congo (Zaire) | Defaye & Heymer (1996) |
| <i>Goniocyclops sylvestris</i> Harding, 1958 | New Zealand | Harding (1958) |
| <i>Metacyclops hirsutus</i> Rocha, 1994 | Brazil | Rocha (1994) |
| <i>Muscocyclops operculatus</i> | Brazil | Rocha & Bjornberg (1987) |
| <i>Paracyclops bromeliacola</i> Karaytug & Boxshall, 1998 | Brazil | Karaytug & Boxshall (1998a) |
| <i>Paracyclops chiltoni</i> (Thomson, 1882) | Brazil | Karaytug & Boxshall (1998b) |

soil fauna in Australia. However, *Epactophanes*, like *P. viguieri*, may be a predator on nematodes. Copepods are inefficiently sampled by the Tullgren funnel and other extraction methods used for soil fauna (Fiers & Ghene, 2000), and their true numbers in soils are probably underestimated.

Thermal waters

It is difficult to define 'thermal', but 30 °C may be a reasonable limit above which temperate-zone copepods do not easily survive. There are relatively few records of copepods, mostly cyclopoids, from thermal waters. Menzel (1925a) reported a species of *Halicyclops* (subsequently described as *Halicyclops thermophilus* by Kiefer, 1929, 1933) from a hot saline spring on Java (37–45 °C, pH 6.7–7.1, salinity 26.7). Many of the temperatures reported by Kiefer (1933) from waters on Sumatra investigated by the Sunda-Expedition were over 30 °C: a young cyclopoid was found in a warm acid spring (35.5 °C, pH 2.68); other warm springs (29.5–39 °C, pH 7.3–7.6) harbored *Paracyclops eucycloides*, *P. fimbriatus*, *Mesocyclops aequatorialis*, *Microcyclops varicans* s. str., *M. varicans subaequalis*, and *Thermocyclops decipiens*.

Brehm (1936) mentioned a species of *Eucyclops* from 'heißen Quellen' near Cuzco, Peru; no temperature or water chemistry data were available. *Mesocyclops 'leuckarti'* was reported by Lindberg (1942) from a basin of a soap factory in Iran, water temperature 40 °C. In Iceland, a thermal pool (34 °C) harbored the eurytopic species *E. serrulatus* and *Megacyclops viridis* (Starmühlner, 1969). Dussart (1974) reported *Cletocamptus deitersi*, *Cryptocyclops linjanticus micrura* and *Mesocyclops aequatorialis* from warm springs in Ethiopia, without further habitat data. Lewis (1974) described *Paracyclops waiariki* from thermal springs in New Zealand, but at a relatively low temperature of 27 °C (and pH 3.0). Reid (1994) found a cyclopoid, *Microcyclops* sp., in a spring-fed thermal (about 40 °C) pond in Brazil.

Other harpacticoids besides *C. deitersi* have been found in thermal waters. Chappuis (1931) reported *Elaphoidella bidens coronata*, *Schizopera tobae* and *Parastenocaris longicaudis* from a warm spring (29.5 °C) on Sumatra. Por (1964) described *Nitokra balnearia* from hot mineral springs (31 °C) on the Dead Sea shore in Israel, where it reached immense numbers. *Thermomesochra reducta* Itô & Burton, 1980,

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| Species | Temp. (°C) | Location: habitat | Reference |
|--|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Harpacticoida | | | |
| <i>Cletocamptus deitersi</i> (Richard, 1897) | - | Ethiopia: thermal springs | Dussart (1974) |
| <i>Elaphoidella bidens coronata</i> (Sars, 1904) | 29.5 | Sumatra: thermal spring | Chappuis (1931) |
| <i>Nitokra balnearia</i> Por, 1964 | 31 | Israel: hot mineral spring | Por (1964) |
| <i>Parastenocaris longicaudis</i> Chappuis, 1931 | 29.5 | Sumatra: thermal spring | Chappuis (1931) |
| <i>Schizopera tobae</i> Chappuis, 1931 | 29.5 | Sumatra: thermal spring | Chappuis (1931) |
| <i>Thermomesochra reducta</i> Itô & Burton, 1980 | 38–58 | Malaysia: hot spring | Itô & Burton (1980) |
| Cyclopoida | | | |
| <i>Cryptocyclops linjanticus</i> | - | Ethiopia: springs | Dussart (1974) |
| <i>Cyclops</i> sp. ¹ | 37–46 | India: spring | Jana (1978); Jana & Sarkar (1971) |
| <i>Cyclops</i> sp. ¹ | 31–34 | Nigeria: spring | Egborge & Fagade (1979) |
| <i>Eucyclops serrulatus</i> (Fischer, 1851) | 34 | Iceland: spring | Starmühlner (1969) |
| <i>E. serrulatus</i> | 28.6–29.7 (surface) | Hungary: spring-fed lake | Ponyi (1992) |
| <i>Halicyclops thermophilus</i> | 37–45 | Java: saline spring | Menzel (1925a); Kiefer (1929, 1933) |
| <i>Macrocyclus albidus</i> (Jurine, 1820) | 28.6–29.7 (surface) | Hungary: spring-fed lake | Ponyi (1992) |
| <i>Megacyclops viridis</i> (Jurine, 1820) | 34 | Iceland: spring | Starmühlner (1969) |
| <i>Mesocyclops aequatorialis</i> Kiefer, 1929 | - | Ethiopia: springs | Dussart (1974) |
| <i>M. aequatorialis</i> | 29.5–39 | Sumatra: springs | Kiefer (1933) |
| <i>Mesocyclops leuckarti</i> (Claus, 1857) | 40 | Iran: basin | Lindberg (1942) |
| <i>Microcyclus varicans</i> (Sars, 1863)s. str. | 29.5–39 | Sumatra: springs | Kiefer (1933) |
| <i>M. varicans</i> | 28.6–29.7 (surface) | Hungary: thermal spring-fed lake | Ponyi (1992) |
| <i>M. varicans subaequalis</i> (Kiefer, 1928) | 29.5–39 | Sumatra: thermal springs | Kiefer (1933) |
| <i>Microcyclus</i> sp. | 40 | Brazil: spring-fed thermal pond | Reid (1994) |
| <i>Paracyclops eucyclopoides</i> Kiefer, 1929 | 29.5–39 | Sumatra: thermal springs | Kiefer (1933) |
| <i>Paracyclops fimbriatus</i> | 29.5–39 | Sumatra: thermal springs | Kiefer (1933) |
| <i>Paracyclops waiariki</i> Lewis, 1974 | 27 | New Zealand: thermal springs | Lewis (1974) |
| <i>Thermocyclops decipiens</i> Kiefer, 1929 | 29.5–39 | Sumatra: thermal springs | Kiefer (1933) |
| unidentified cyclopoid | 35.5 | Sumatra: thermal acid spring | Kiefer (1933) |

¹These records should be considered as unidentified cyclopoids.

from a hot spring in Malaysia, holds the survival record at temperatures between 38 and 58 °C.

High altitude and high latitude habitats

There has historically been much interest in the aquatic faunas of high-altitude regions, although of course most studies have been carried out in lakes. The non-lacustrine copepod fauna of the Alps is comparatively well known (e.g. Thienemann, 1950;

Gaviria, 1998). Several surveys in montane regions outside Europe, mainly by Heinz Löffler, have included samples from non-lacustrine 'minor' habitats. Examples from the Andes include the reports of Harding (1955) and Löffler (1960) from Peru and Bolivia. Löffler (1965, 1968a) reported on *Maraenobiotus* and other copepods from the high mountains of eastern Africa. In Asia, Löffler has reported on *Maraenobi-*

otus and other harpacticoids from Nepal (1968b) and Borneo (Mt. Kinabalu; Löffler, 1973).

Although the plankton of lakes at extremely high altitudes tends to be species-poor (except in the Alps; see Löffler, 1968c), most of these surveys have indicated the existence of a rich semiterrestrial copepod fauna in locations where there is some vegetation and moisture, even in the presence of permafrost. Typical altitudes reached by copepods are up to about 4100 m in Mexico and Central America (Löffler, 1972) and the Colombian páramo region (Gaviria, 1989), 3800 m on Mt. Kinabalu, Borneo (Löffler, 1973), 2140 m in the Great Smoky Mountains, eastern U.S.A. (J. W. Reid & W. Reeves, unpublished data), and to the glacier line (2300–2600 m) in the Austrian Alps (Gaviria, 1998). Dumont & Maas (1988) described five species of harpacticoids living in leaf litter in montane forests of Nepal at moderate to high altitudes (1900–3900 m). Two planktonic species of calanoids and an unidentified cyclopoid live in lakes in Nepal at altitudes from 4600 to 5460 m (Manca et al., 1994). The record for altitude is probably held by *Glaciella yalensis* Kikuchi, 1994a, which inhabits melt (cryconite) pits on the Yala Glacier in Nepal, at altitudes between 5100 and 5700 m (Kikuchi, 1994a).

Copepods living in extreme north and south latitudes confront similar problems of a short growing season and lack of organic matter. For instance, saline lakes in Antarctica support a limited assemblage consisting of three species of harpacticoids and two of calanoids (Wright & Burton, 1981); and freshwater Antarctic lakes harbor two calanoids, *Boeckella poppei* (Mrázek, 1901) and *Gladioferens antarcticus* Bayly, 1994, and one species of cyclopoid, *Acanthocyclops mirnyi* Borutzky & Vinogradov, 1957 (Bayly & Burton, 1993; Bayly, 1994). The known copepod fauna of Iceland is similarly species-poor (Starmühlner, 1969).

Students of biogeography have been much interested in the distribution and relationships of invertebrate montane faunas. The isolation of populations within and between mountain ranges has contributed to the development of a confusingly rich array of morphologically distinct populations of certain species. This phenomenon is well studied in the genus *Maraenobiotus* (Löffler, 1965, 1968a,b, 1973), and in several canthocamptid species in Japan (e.g. Ishida, 1991, 1994). Husmann (1975) argued that the edges of melting glaciers provided large areas of sand and gravel layers, followed by the moss tundra, which may have formed a 'combined system of migration ways'

for interstitial organisms to follow from warmer regions. However, Strayer & Reid (1999) found that previously glaciated sites in the U.S.A. contained fewer species of interstitial specialist cyclopoid copepods (although equivalent numbers of generalist species) than historically unglaciated sites. This suggests that it was mainly the eurytopic species that were able to follow these 'migration ways'.

Unclassifiable natural habitats

Some of the odder locations where copepods have been found include a sea shell in Fiji, which contained *Halicydops septentrionalis* Kiefer, 1935 (Yeatman, 1983), and ants' nests (B. H. Dussart, mentioned by Reid, 1986).

Human-modified or artificial habitats

Holes in the ground created by the multiplicity of human actions may easily be colonized by copepods and other aquatic animals. Ditches and borrow pits are common sites to find copepods. For instance, Brady (1907) and Graham (1907) described several species of harpacticoids and cyclopoids from railway borrow pits and gold mine pits in the African Gold Coast. Münchberg (1956) described the limnological conditions and aquatic faunas of ca. 10-year-old bomb craters in Germany, which included mainly common, generalist species such as *Cyclops* cf. *strenuus* Fischer, 1851, and *Macrocyclops albidus*. Some examples of species collected from road ruts include *Canthocamptus australicus* (Sars, 1908) in Australia (Hamond, 1988), *Mesocyclops leuckarti* (probably = *M. aspericornis*) in Guam (Watkins & Belk, 1975), and *Metacyclops minutus* (Claus, 1863) and several other species by Maier (1992, 1998) and Maier et al. (1998). Even footprints may serve as copepod microhabitats: Brehm (mentioned in Gurney, 1933: 221) found *Diacyclops bicuspidatus* (Claus, 1857) in the small pools formed by his own footprints in spongy woodland soil. The ecological role of borrow ditches and pits in providing refuges for the aquatic faunas in arid regions might fruitfully be examined.

Copepods have invaded a variety of man-made habitats (Table 4), for example the roof of a tunnel in a coal mine (Brady, 1868), the filter beds of sewage treatment plants, and deeply buried agricultural drainage tiles (D. D. Williams, 1976). Copepods have been noticed in water systems of various sizes and uses, especially in older municipal systems where much of the water was drawn from subterranean sources, with minimal treatment. It is probably no accident

Table 4. Copepods reported from man-made or altered habitats. Species are listed under the current name of the taxon, as far as possible; synonymies of most species were listed by Dussart & Defaye (1985, 1990) for Cyclopoida and Harpacticoida, respectively

| Species | Location: habitat | Reference |
|---|--|---|
| Harpacticoida | | |
| <i>Attheyella nordenskioldii</i> (Lilljeborg, 1902) | Canada: agricultural drainage tiles | Williams, D. D. (1976) |
| <i>Bryocamptus aquaeductus</i> Borutsky, 1934 | Ciscaucasia: city water pipe | Borutsky (1934) |
| <i>Bryocamptus echinatus</i> (Mrázek, 1893) | Germany: city water pipes | Kiefer (1926a, 1927a) |
| <i>Bryocamptus luenensis</i> (Schmeil, 1894) | Hungary: city water pipes | Török (1961) |
| <i>Bryocamptus minutus</i> | England: coal mine | Brady (1868) |
| <i>B. minutus</i> | Germany: city water pipes | Kiefer (1927a) |
| <i>B. minutus</i> | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Bryocamptus pygmaeus</i> | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Bryocamptus typhlops</i> (Mrázek, 1893) | Germany: city water pipes | Kiefer (1926a, 1927a) |
| <i>Canthocamptus</i> sp. | Germany: moist decaying mine timbers | Mrázek (1893) |
| <i>Chappuisius inopinus</i> Kiefer, 1938 | Hungary, Romania: city water pipes | Török (1951), Damian (1958, 1959), respectively |
| <i>Elaphoidella dubia</i> Kiefer, 1931 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Elaphoidella elaphoides</i> (Chappuis, 1924) | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Elaphoidella gracilis serrulata</i> Damian & Botosaneanu, 1954 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Elaphoidella grandidieri</i> (Guerne & Richard, 1893) | Western Samoa: old tires | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Elaphoidella juxtaputealis</i> Damian & Botosaneanu, 1954 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Elaphoidella phreatica</i> (Chappuis, 1925) | Romania: city water pipe | Chappuis (1925) |
| <i>Elaphoidella putealis</i> (Chappuis, 1925) | Romania: city water pipe | Chappuis (1925) |
| <i>Elaphoidella taroi</i> | Fiji: tin cans | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Epactophanes richardi</i> | Hawaii: leaf-litter filled cup traps on trees | Evenhuis & Preston (1995) |
| <i>E. richardi</i> | Germany: trickle filters, activated charcoal filters | Husmann (1966, 1982) |
| <i>Nitocrella calcaripes</i> Damian & Botosaneanu, 1954 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Nitocrella chappuisi</i> Kiefer, 1926 | Germany: city water pipes | Kiefer (1926b, 1927a) |
| <i>Nitocrella hibernica</i> s. str. | Germany: activated charcoal filters | Husmann (1982) |
| <i>N. hibernica hyalina</i> (Jakubisiak, 1929) | Poland: city water pipe | Jakubisiak (1929) |
| <i>Nitocrella hirta</i> Chappuis, 1924 | Romania, Hungary: city water pipes | Chappuis (1925), Török (1951), respectively |
| <i>N. hirta bucarestiensis</i> Damian & Botosaneanu, 1954 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Nitocrella kosswigi</i> Noodt, 1954 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Nitocrella omega</i> Hertzog, 1936 | France, Hungary: city water pipes | Hertzog (1938), Török (1961), respectively |
| <i>Nitokra psammophila</i> Noodt, 1952 | Germany: activated charcoal filters | Husmann (1982) |
| <i>Nitokra reducta</i> Schäfer, 1936 s. str. | Germany: activated charcoal filters | Husmann (1982) |
| <i>Nitokra sewelli husmanni</i> Kunz, 1976 | Germany: activated charcoal filters | Husmann (1982) |

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Table 4. contd.

| Species | Location: habitat | Reference |
|--|--|--|
| <i>Nitokra spinipes</i> Boeck, 1864 | Germany: activated charcoal filters | Husmann (1982) |
| <i>Paracamptus schmeili</i> (Mrázek, 1893) | France: city water pipes | Hertzog (1938) |
| <i>P. schmeili biserialis</i> (Micoletzky, 1912) | Romania: city water pipes | Chappuis (1925) |
| <i>Parastenocaris aedes</i> Hertzog, 1938 | France: city water pipes | Hertzog (1938) |
| <i>Parastenocaris aquaeductus</i> Chappuis, 1925 | Romania: city water pipes | Chappuis (1925) |
| <i>Parastenocaris budapestinensis</i> Török, 1935 | Hungary: city water pipes | Török (1935) |
| <i>Parastenocaris clujensis</i> Chappuis, 1925 | Romania: city water pipes | Chappuis (1925) |
| <i>Parastenocaris entzii</i> Török, 1935 | Hungary: city water pipes | Török (1935) |
| <i>Parastenocaris germanica</i> Kiefer, 1936 | Hungary: city water pipes | Török (1951) |
| <i>Parastenocaris hippuris</i> Hertzog, 1938 | France: city water pipes | Hertzog (1938) |
| <i>Parastenocaris jeanneli</i> Chappuis, 1924 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Parastenocaris karamani brevicauda</i> Damian, 1958 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Parastenocaris latisetosus</i> Damian & Botosaneanu, 1954 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Parastenocaris minuta</i> Chappuis, 1925 | Romania: city water pipes | Chappuis (1925) |
| <i>Parastenocaris nana</i> Chappuis, 1925 | Romania: city water pipes | Chappuis (1925) |
| <i>Parastenocaris pannonica</i> Török, 1935 | Hungary, Romania: city water pipes | Török (1935, 1961), Damian (1958, 1959), respectively |
| <i>Parastenocaris similis</i> Török, 1935 | Hungary: city water pipes | Török (1935, 1961) |
| <i>Parastenocaris subterraneus</i> Damian, 1959 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Parastenocaris uncinatus</i> Damian & Botosaneanu, 1954 | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Parastenocaris</i> spp. | Germany: trickle filters | Husmann (1966) |
| <i>Phyllognathopus viguieri</i> | Germany: aquarium | Kessler (1914) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Switzerland: aquarium | Chappuis (1916) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Germany: indoor swimming pool | Klie (1924) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Germany: water in coal mine | Ziegelmayr (1923) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | England: 'experimental filters' | Gurney (1932), Scourfield (1939) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Romania, Germany: trickle filters | Damian-Georgescu (1966), Husmann (1966), respectively |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Tonga, Western Samoa, Fiji: old tires, tin cups, plastic containers, old boats | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>P. viguieri</i> | Hawaii: leaf-litter-filled cup traps on trees | Evenhuis & Preston (1995) |
| <i>Spelaecamptus spelaeus</i> (Chappuis, 1925) | Romania: city water pipes | Chappuis (1925, 1927) |
| Unidentified Harpacticoida | U.S.A.: old tires | Nasci et al. (1987) |
| Cyclopoida | | |
| <i>Acanthocyclops exilis</i> (Coker, 1934) | U.S.A.: old tires | Nasci et al. (1987) |
| <i>Acanthocyclops rhenanus</i> Kiefer, 1936 | France: city water pipes | Hertzog (1938) |
| <i>Acanthocyclops robustus</i> (Sars, 1863) | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Acanthocyclops venustus</i> (Norman & Scott, 1906) | France: city water pipes | Hertzog (1938) |
| <i>Acanthocyclops vernalis</i> (Fischer, 1853) | Canada: agricultural drainage tiles | Williams, D. D. (1976) |
| <i>A. vernalis</i> | U.S.A.: old tires | Nasci et al. (1987), Marten (1989), Reid & Marten (1994) |
| <i>Bryocyclops anninae</i> | Hawaii: leaf-litter-filled cup traps on trees | Evenhuis & Preston (1995) |

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Table 4. contd.

| Species | Location: habitat | Reference |
|---|--|---|
| <i>Bryocyclops fidiensis</i> | Fiji, Tonga, Western Samoa: tin cans, bottles | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Cryptocyclops linjanticus</i> | Fiji: metal drums | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Cyclops</i> sp. | Germany, Romania: city water pipes | Kraepelin (1886), Damian (1958, 1959), respectively |
| <i>Diacyclops clandestinus</i> (Kiefer, 1926) | Germany: city water pipes | Kiefer (1926a, c, 1927a) |
| <i>D. clandestinus</i> | Romania, Hungary: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959), Török (1961), respectively |
| <i>Diacyclops crassicaudis</i> (Sars, 1863) | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Diacyclops languidoides hiberniae</i> (Gurney, 1927) | Wales: cistern | Gurney (1933) |
| <i>Diacyclops navus</i> (Herrick, 1882) | U.S.A.: old tires | Nasci et al. (1987; as <i>Thermocyclops dybowskii</i>), Marten (1989), Reid & Marten (1994) |
| <i>Diacyclops ? stygius</i> (Chappuis, 1924) | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Ectocyclops phaleratus</i> | U.S.A.: old tires | Nasci et al. (1987) |
| <i>Ectocyclops rubescens</i> | U.S.A.: old tires | Marten (1989), Reid & Marten (1994) |
| <i>Eucyclops agilis</i> (Koch, 1838) | France: city water pipes | Moniez (1889) |
| <i>E. agilis</i> | U.S.A.: old tires | Nasci et al. (1987), Marten (1989), Reid & Marten (1994) |
| <i>Eucyclops elegans</i> (Herrick, 1884) | U.S.A.: old tires | Nasci et al. (1987; as <i>E.</i> <i>speratus</i>); Reid & Marten (1994) |
| <i>Eucyclops serrulatus</i> | Germany: city water pipes | Kiefer (1927a) |
| <i>E. serrulatus</i> | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>Graeteriella unisetigera</i> (Graeter, 1908) | Germany: city water pipes, trickle filters | Kiefer (1926a, 1927a), Husmann (1966), respectively |
| <i>Halicyclops thermophilus</i> s. str. | Tonga, Western Samoa, Fiji: old tires | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>Macrocyclus albidus</i> | U.S.A.: old tires | Marten (1989), Marten et al. (1993), Reid & Marten (1994) |
| <i>M. albidus</i> | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Megacyclus gigas</i> (Claus, 1857) | Germany: city water pipes | Kiefer (1927a) |
| <i>Megacyclus viridis</i> | France: city water pipes | Moniez (1889) |
| <i>M. viridis</i> | England: water tank | Scourfield (1939) |
| <i>Mesocyclops affinis</i> Van de Velde, 1987 | Vietnam: water containers | Vu et al. (2000) |
| <i>Mesocyclops aspericornis</i> | French Polynesia: barrels in pigpen and old tires | Rivière & Thirel (1981), Rivière et al. (1987) |
| <i>M. aspericornis</i> | Hawaii: containers | Marten (1984) |
| <i>M. aspericornis</i> | Colombia: mosquito rearing containers | Suárez et al. (1984) |
| <i>M. aspericornis</i> | Vietnam: water containers | Vu et al. (2000) |
| <i>M. leuckarti</i> | Iran: basin of soap factory | Lindberg (1942) |
| <i>Mesocyclops longisetus</i> (Thiébaud, 1912) | Venezuela: drinking tank | Dussart (1984) |
| <i>Mesocyclops ogunnus</i> Onabamiro, 1957 | | |
| <i>Mesocyclops</i> cf. <i>pehpeiensis</i> Hu, 1943 | Vietnam: water containers | Vu et al. (2000) |
| <i>Mesocyclops rutneri</i> Kiefer, 1981 | Vietnam: water containers | Vu et al. (2000) |

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| Species | Location: habitat | Reference |
|---|---|--|
| <i>Mesocyclops thermocyclopoides</i> Harada, 1931 | Vietnam: water containers | Vu et al. (2000) |
| <i>Mesocyclops woutersi</i> Van de Velde, 1987 | Vietnam: water containers | Vu et al. (2000) |
| <i>Mesocyclops yena</i> Holynska, 1998 | Vietnam: water containers | Vu et al. (2000) |
| <i>Metacyclops planus</i> (Gurney, 1909) | Romania: city water pipes | Damian (1958, 1959) |
| <i>Metacyclops tredecimus</i> (Lowndes, 1934) | Venezuela: drinking tank | Dussart (1984) |
| <i>Orthocyclops modestus</i> (Herrick, 1883) | U.S.A.: old tires | Marten (1989), Reid & Marten (1994) |
| <i>Paracyclops affinis</i> (Sars, 1863) | Senegal: laboratory cultures of nematodes | Reversat et al. (1992) |
| <i>Paracyclops chiltoni</i> | England: percolating filters of sewage works | Karaytug & Boxshall (1998b) |
| <i>Paracyclops fimbriatus</i> | France: city water pipes | Moniez (1889) |
| <i>P. fimbriatus</i> | Germany: city water pipes | Kiefer (1926a, 1927a) |
| <i>P. fimbriatus</i> | Romania: city water pipes | Damian & Botosaneanu (1954) |
| <i>P. fimbriatus</i> | Fiji: old tire | Yeatman (1983) |
| <i>P. fimbriatus</i> | U.S.A.: old tires | Marten (1989), Reid & Marten (1994) |
| <i>P. fimbriatus</i> s. lat. | Easter Island: stone basins and mouth of stone statue | Dumont & Martens (1996) |
| <i>Paracyclops poppei</i> | U.S.A.: old tires | Marten (1989), Reid & Marten (1994), Karaytug & Boxshall (1998a) |
| <i>Tropocyclops prasinus</i> | England: water tank | Scourfield (1939) |
| <i>T. prasinus</i> | U.S.A.: old tire | Reid & Marten (1994) |
| Calanoida: 'Calaniden' | Germany: city water systems | Kraepelin (1886) |

that most records predate the use of modern water sanitation procedures. Kraepelin (1886) was apparently the first to report copepods (*Cyclops* sp. and 'Calaniden') in a municipal water system, in Hamburg, Germany. Shortly thereafter, Moniez (1889) found several common species of cyclopoids in the water pipes of Lille, France. Chappuis (1925), Török (1935) and Hertzog (1938) described several new species of parastenocaridid harpacticoids from city water pipes in Europe.

A human-created analogue to the natural psammion is the sand-filter beds (trickle filters) of water treatment plants. Psammic or hypogean cyclopoids and harpacticoids such as *Graeteriella unisetigera*, *E. richardi*, *P. viguieri*, and species of *Parastenocaris* may colonize trickle filters (e.g. Husmann, 1961, 1966; Duncan, 1989). Even activated charcoal filters may harbor copepods (Husmann, 1982). The literature on copepods in various kinds of filters, much of it in

obscure local reports, is difficult to review; but some examples are included in Table 4.

Discussion

Studies in the more cryptic habitats have contributed substantially to fundamental understanding of the biology of copepods. These have provided information on developmental rates, adaptations to low food supply and/or low temperatures, dispersal by natural and human agencies, biogeography, evolution and conservation.

Some of the fastest-developing copepods live in temporary ponds. The most spectacular example is the cyclopoid *Metacyclops minutus*, which in tiny ponds in Germany may pass through 8 or more generations in a single growing season. Under natural conditions they may develop from egg to adult in 4.7–8.6 days, and in

the laboratory have matured in as little as 4 days at 30 °C (Maier, 1992). In this species also, males differ little from females in size, females and males mature at about the same rate, and adults and subadults may pass through dry phases in a state of quiescence, and through the winter in diapause (Maier, 1992).

Adaptations to extreme conditions of low food supply and/or low temperatures include reduction in the number (usually with enlarged size) of eggs, as in the harpacticoid *Pseudomoraria triglavensis* (Brancelj, 1994). Some soil harpacticoids may produce only 2 eggs at a time, and drop them or actively lay them in the leaf substrate (Nielsen, 1966); some small cave cyclopoids also produce as few as 2 large eggs, and drop them (Lescher-Moutoué, 1973).

Fiers & Ghénne (2000) found *Graeteriella unisetigera*, previously supposed to be a strict stygobiont, in several beech litter samples, documented the striking coincidence between its known distribution and the historical limits of beech forests, and advanced the hypothesis that the animals are able to travel along the ground, rather than being restricted to particular drainage basins. They pointed out that not only might this be a convenient dispersal route, but would prevent physical and genetic separation of populations in different drainage basins, thus reducing speciation. Fiers & Ghénne (2000) noted that while larger stygobionts tend to be restricted within drainage basins (examples given by Notenboom et al., 1996), the tiny (about 0.5 mm long) copepods are usually more widely distributed. They may be not only less limited by such factors as sediment permeability, but be more eurytopic than previously estimated and able to exploit continuous epigeal highways of leaf litter, mosses, and moist soils. Remy (1932) early remarked on the relative uniformity of the leaf-carpet in space and time, and suggested a possible role of humid forest habitats as a refuge for specialists, particularly troglonexes or troglaphiles, as well as for less specialized generalist species.

A similar idea was advanced by Frey (1980), who developed a concept of a worldwide rainforest habitat and predicted that endemic or uniquely adapted species would be found there. Lewis (1986) remarked on the analogous distribution of one harpacticoid genus of the damp forest, *Loefflerella*, which occurs in Patagonia, Chile and New Zealand, to that of the genus of semiterrestrial cladocerans, *Bryospilus*, known from Puerto Rico, Venezuela and New Zealand (Frey, 1980). The canthocamptid harpacticoid genus *Fibulacamptus* is confined to wet temperate southern

Australia and Tasmania, mainly in semiterrestrial situations: a river, muddy gravel and dead leaves, and wet moss and leaf litter (Hamond, 1988). *Antipodiella* is endemic to New Zealand (Lewis, 1986). Among cyclopoids, several genera are endemic to humid forests, and the known ranges of some are apparently restricted, e.g. *Cochlacocyclops*, *Goniocyclops* and *Psammocyclops* in Madagascar (Kiefer, 1955); *Fimbricyclops* in Puerto Rico (Reid, 1993b); *Goniocyclops* in New Zealand (Harding, 1958); *Muscocyclops* mainly in the Atlantic coastal forest of South America, with outliers in continuous wetlands in central Brazil (Reid, 1987; Rocha & Bjornberg, 1987).

Lewis (1984) pointed out that in the harpacticoid fauna of New Zealand, isolated since the Mesozoic, only 2 of 16 genera are endemic but endemism at the species level is high. The general picture of the biogeography of the Canthocamptidae presented by Lewis (1986) has not much changed with the addition of further data. Some exceptions are that a few genera are now known to occur on more than one continent, e.g. *Gulcamptus* in North America as well as eastern Asia (Reid & Ishida, 1996). On the other hand, advances in systematic understanding may alter this picture for some groups; for instance, the New World species of *Attheyella* (*Canthosella*) form a distinct group from the Asian species, and likely should be considered a separate genus (Janetzky et al., 1996).

Future collections in semiterrestrial habitats outside Europe may reveal that some genera or species are more widely distributed than presently thought. For instance, although the genus *Bryocamptus* s. lat. is widely distributed in the temperate northern hemisphere, in the southern hemisphere species have been found in New Zealand (Lewis, 1986) and a wet campo (hillside flush marsh) in central Brazil (Reid, 1993, 1994). The known distribution of *Itoycyclops yezoensis* (Ito, 1953) was extended by recent collections from Japan and Alaska to the Great Smoky Mountains in the eastern U.S.A. (Reid & Ishida, 2000).

Passive transport is usually invoked as an effective distribution mechanism for microcrustaceans. Maguire (1971) described the colonization of phytotelmata as “the result of a series of interlinked events – dispersal, immigration and establishment.” Janetzky (1997) suggested the possibility that disseminules might be blown by the wind, since *P. viguieri* appeared in a rain gauge in Jamaica. Obviously protective resting stages have been observed in few species of harpacticoids, although the eggs of at least some leaf litter- and soil-dwelling species resist

desiccation to some degree (e.g. *Bryocamptus* (*Arctiocamptus*) spp., see Borutsky, 1952; *E. richardi*, see Nielsen, 1966), and adults of a few others (e.g. *A. nordenskioldii*, see D. D. Williams & Hynes, 1976) form drought-resistant cysts.

There are few papers that discuss natural transport, even by implication. Rouch (1972) described two harpacticoids, *Phyllognathopus bassoti* and *Nitocrella balli*, which had established good populations on a small sandy island that appeared in Wisdom Lake, a shallow crater lake on Long Island, Papua New Guinea. The copepods were collected 20 months after formation of the small island.

Copepods are apparently easily transported by various human activities. They may be carried in plant parts and moist soil, and exotic tropical copepods have been found in greenhouses or associated with tropical aquatic or terrestrial plants in several parts of the world: the East Asian *Sinodiaptomus sarsi* (Rylov, 1923) in California, U.S.A. (Light, 1939); the Brazilian *Attheyella aliena* in Germany (described by Noodt, 1956); the Asian *Mesocyclops ruttneri* in Austria (reported and described by Kiefer, 1981), Louisiana, Mississippi and Washington, D.C., U.S.A. (Reid, 1993a, 1996); and *Bryocyclops muscicola*, which was first described from Indonesia, in Florida, U.S.A. (Reid, 1999). Harpacticoids of the genus *Phyllognathopus* are frequently found in moist soils, and are probably so easily carried as to make determination of the origin of a particular population nearly impossible. *Phyllognathous viguieri* has been reported from greenhouse soils and the recesses of tropical plants (Lang, 1948; Borutsky, 1952; Lehman & Reid, 1993; Table 1). Hitchhiking with commercially cultured fish and crustaceans is more often invoked as a transport mechanism (reviewed by Reid & Pinto-Coelho, 1994).

The subterranean realm has been a hospitable situation for copepods (Stoch, 1995, 2001; Galassi, 2001). Attempting to account for the relatively high species and genus richness in certain hypogean areas, Stoch (1995) proposed the adaptive zone model, involving steps of colonization, speciation events and radiation, to describe the process of invasion of epigeal species and their subsequent evolution in hypogean environments.

Copepods in general are an ancient group (Huys & Boxshall, 1991; Stock, 1991), and they may evolve extremely slowly in stable habitats, that is in habitats that do not themselves change much or allow easy physical access to other kinds of habitats. An example

is the allopatric species-pair *Acanthocyclops sensitivus* (Graeter & Chappuis, 1914) in Europe and *A. parasensitivus* Reid, 1998, in eastern North America. These are identical in gross morphological characters such as appendage segmentation and setation, and differ only in certain proportions and finer ornamentation (Pospisil, 1999). Since both are rare and found only in groundwater-related habitats, we can assume that gene flow between the European and North American populations is nil. These two taxa have diverged only slightly since the continents separated.

However, where they have invaded complex habitats such as large lakes, particularly epibenthic and infaunal copepods have radiated to a sometimes surprising degree, sometimes over a relatively short time. The most complex species-flocks exist in Lake Baikal, where cyclopoids (3 flocks of 3, 4 and 13 species) and harpacticoids (6 flocks of 3–21 species) account for a large proportion of the 120 or more copepod taxa in the lake (Boxshall & Evstigneeva, 1994). The Baikal basin complex has existed (as one or several basins) since the Tertiary, and this long period has apparently allowed the development of a high degree of trophic specialization and mouthpart structure among the cyclopoids, and extreme sexual dimorphism in the caudal rami among the harpacticoids (Boxshall & Evstigneeva, 1994). The more recent formation (during the Pleistocene) of large subterranean lakes or cenotes in the Yucatan Peninsula apparently allowed primarily epigeal benthic cyclopoids in the genera *Diacyclops* and *Mesocyclops* to radiate into small flocks of 2 and 3 species, respectively, including true planktonic forms (Fiers et al., 1996).

Many rarely collected copepods live preferentially in and are adapted to ephemeral waters. In Germany, where naturally created temporary habitats are disappearing, tiny pools maintained in early stages of succession by vehicular activity or other factors harbor several rare or endangered species of copepods, cladocerans and branchiopods (Herbst, 1982; Maier, 1998; Maier et al., 1998). Herbst (1982) listed 6 species of calanoids, 16 cyclopoids and 37 harpacticoids that are at some degree of risk in Germany because they inhabit special habitats, including small perennial plant-rich waterbodies, oligotrophic to mesotrophic ponds, acid bogs and moorland waters, cave waters, moss, saline waters and lake beaches, in addition to tiny ephemeral pools. Because the highly organic soils of the wet campo, a kind of hillside flush marsh in Brazil which harbors an extremely diverse copepod fauna (Reid, 1994), are valuable for truck farming, wet

campos that are not in protected areas are at risk of being drained and destroyed. Bayly (1992, 1997, 1999) reviewed the highly diverse fauna in gnammas (rock pools) and seepage films on rock outcrops in Western Australia, and argued strongly for their protection.

“Sehr zu Unrecht sind die Kleingewässer und ihre Lebewelt bisher von der Wissenschaft etwas vernachlässigt worden” (Kiefer, 1925). Hollowday (1949) also urged that attention to neglected habitats would result in valuable new information: “It is by the investigation of such habitats as these that peculiar and specialized forms are often met with”. Further pursuit of imaginative collecting, and ecologically oriented studies of copepods living at the natural extremes permissible to these basically aquatic forms are bound to provide additional insights on many aspects of their fundamental biology.

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