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## Review of *Caryocolum* (Lepidoptera: Gelechiidae) from the Russian Altai with description of two new species

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**Abstract.** In total, thirteen species of the genus *Caryocolum* Gregor & Povolný, 1954 (Lepidoptera: Gelechiidae) have been recorded from the Altai mountains in Russia so far. All available faunistic data are summarized and presented in detail. DNA barcodes of the mtCOI (cytochrome c oxidase I) gene of the majority of recorded species were studied. Molecular data and morphology support the following two species, which are described here as new to science: *Caryocolum procurvella* sp. nov. and *C. atrum* sp. nov. *Caryocolum tetrumeris* (Meyrick, 1926) is recorded as a new species for Russia. *Caryocolum blandella* (Douglas, 1852) and *C. viscarilla* (Stainton, 1855) are removed from the fauna of the Altai Republic due to misidentifications.

**Key words.** Lepidoptera, Gelechiidae, cytochrome c oxidase I, DNA barcoding, genetic distances, taxonomy, Altai Republic, Khakassia, southern Ural, Mongolia, Russia, Palaearctic Region

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### Introduction

The Holarctic genus *Caryocolum* Gregor & Povolný, 1954, is a particularly diverse genus of Gelechiidae. European taxa were repeatedly revised (KLIMESCH 1953–1954, HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010), and recently genetic data were obtained for the majority of species from this continent (HUEMER et al. 2014, 2020). Besides this revisionary work only four new species have been described during the last decade, namely *Caryocolum srnkai* Huemer & Karsholt, 2011, *C. dauphini* Grange & Nel, 2012, *C. crypticum* Huemer, Karsholt & Mutanen, 2014, and *C. tedosella* Nel & Requena, 2017 (HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2011, HUEMER et al. 2014, GRANGE & NEL 2012, NEL & REQUENA 2017). The Asian fauna of *Caryocolum* was revised by HUEMER (1988), with many additional species descriptions afterwards (HUEMER 1989, 1992; LI & ZHENG 1995; FALKOVITSH & BIDZILY 2006; BIDZILY & NUPPONEN 2018). According to PONOMARENKO (2008) the Russian fauna comprises twenty

*Caryocolum* species whereas only *C. repentis* Huemer & Luquet, 1992, *C. unicolorellum* Bidzilya, 2018, and *C. petrophilum* (Preissecker, 1914) have been added to the Asian part of Russia during the last decade (JUNNILAINEN et al. 2010, HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010, BIDZILY & NUPPONEN 2018). However, our extensive material from the Altai Mountains clearly indicates a much richer fauna, which is not really surprising as the Altai Mts. belong to the most interesting massifs of southern Siberia with high Lepidoptera species diversity. Several lepidopterologists visited the area in the past, resulting in many new records, including discoveries of undescribed species from various families (e.g. BIDZILY et al. 2006, 2019; USTJUZHANIN & KOVTUNOVICH 2017, GAEDIKE & ŠUMPICH 2017, BUCHNER et al. 2019, ŠUMPICH et al. 2019, etc.). The aim of this work is to provide an overview of all *Caryocolum* species from the Russian Altai, including genetic data if available, and to describe two species new for science.



## Material and methods

The adults were collected by light trapping or by hand netting. Male and female genitalia were dissected and prepared using standard methods (HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010). Pinned specimens were photographed with a Canon 750D camera with a Canon MP-E-65 mm lens. Slide-mounted genitalia were photographed with a Canon EOS 1100D camera mounted on an Olympus BX41 stereomicroscope.

Forty-seven specimens of *Caryocolum* recorded in the Altai Mts. were successfully barcoded at the Canadian Centre for DNA Barcoding (CCDB, Biodiversity Institute of Ontario, University of Guelph). In all cases we obtained a full 658 base-pair long segment of the 5' terminus of cytochrome c oxidase gene; the sequences together with details of the sequenced specimens were uploaded to the Barcode of Life Data Systems (BOLD; RATNASINGHAM & HEBERT 2007). All data are available in the public dataset „DS-CARALT Caryocolum of Altai” ([dx.doi.org/10.5883/DS-CARALT](https://dx.doi.org/10.5883/DS-CARALT)); newly generated sequences were also submitted to GenBank under accession numbers MN942335–MN942375. The sequences were downloaded from BOLD using implemented Muscle multiple alignment algorithm (EDGAR 2004) and subsequently edited and analyzed in MEGA X software (KUMAR et al. 2018). Tamura 3-parameter model (TAMURA 1992) with uniform rates was suggested as the best model for the data and it was used during the calculations of genetic distances and phylogenetic trees. Maximum likelihood method was used including 1000 bootstrap replications for the trees. We present the Barcode Index Numbers (BIN) (RATNASINGHAM & HEBERT 2013) for each barcoded species.

In the descriptions, the terminology of the genitalia and with some adaptations the sequence of species follows HUEMER (1988). In the terms of this paper, the Altai Republic and the Russian Altai Mountains are considered one area.

The present contribution is based on material deposited in the following collections:

FMNH	Finnish Museum of Natural History, Helsinki, Finland;
JUNN	Jari JunnilainenVantaa Research Collection, Espoo, Finland;
LMK	Landesmuseum Kärnten, Klagenfurt, Austria;
NMPC	National Museum, Prague, Czech Republic;
NUPP	Kari & Timo Nupponen Research Collection, Espoo, Finland;
SMNK	Staatliches Museum für Naturkunde, Karlsruhe, Germany;
TLMF	Tiroler Landesmuseum Ferdinandeum, Innsbruck, Austria;
ZIN	Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences, Sankt-Petersburg, Russia;
ZMKU	Zoological Museum Kiev Taras Shevchenko National University, Kiev, Ukraine;
ZMUC	Zoological Museum, Natural History Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark.

## Results

### *Caryocolum alsinella* (Zeller, 1868)

**Records.** BIDZILYA (2002, as *C. viscarieilla* Stainton, 1855, misidentification); HUEMER et al. (2017).

**Material examined. RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC:** Katun valley, 10 km W Katanda, 1200 m a.s.l., 15.–19.vii.1983, 2 ♂♂ 2 ♀♀ (gen. slide 94/482, P. Huemer), K. Mikkola, H. Hippa et J. Jalava leg. (FMNH); Chemal district, 2 km SW of Chemal, 450 m a.s.l., 51°22'59.90"N, 85°58'59.96"E, 8.–9. viii.2016, 1 ♂ (Barcode TLMF Lep 21256), P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Belyashi env. (56 km SE), 49°39'45"N, 88°14'28"E, Dzhazator

valley, mountain meadows near Tara river, 2300 m, 25.–26.vii.2017, 1 ♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0368), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 27.–28.vii.2017, 1 ♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0357), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Kosh-Agatch distr., 30 km W of Dzhazator, Koksu river, 1600 m a.s.l., 20.viii.2000, 12 ♂♂, O. Bidzilya leg. (ZMKU); Kosh-Agatch distr., 5 km E of Dzhazator, 1500 m a.s.l., 22.viii.2000, 2 ♂♂, O. Bidzilya leg. (ZMKU).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: AAV0572 (n = 21, 5 public, 3 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region is 0.64% (maximum 1.77%). The nearest neighbour is *C. oculatella* with 3.53% p-distance.

**Distribution.** Europe, Morocco (HUEMER 1988), Turkey, Central Asia (HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010), Russia: the Altai Republic, South of Krasnoyarskiy krai, South of Khabarovkiy krai (PONOMARENKO 2008, HUEMER et al. 2017, AKULOV et al. 2018).

### *Caryocolum arenariella* (Benander, 1937)

(Fig. 1)

**Records.** HUEMER et al. (2017, as *C. schleichi* Christoph, 1872).

**Material examined. RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC:** Ulagan district, 11 km NNW of Aktash vill., 1.900 m a.s.l., 50°24'49.22"N, 87°34'21.42"E, 28.–30.vii.2016, 8 ♂♂, P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Ulagan district, 10 km NE Aktash village, Kuraj Mts range, between Korumdyajry and Yarlyamry rivers, 2150 m a.s.l., 50°19'N, 87°43'E, 6.–8.viii.2016, 11 ♂♂ 1 ♀, P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Kosh-Agach district, 17 km NNE of Kokorya, Chikhacheva Mountains Range, Talduaire Mountains, Sajlyugem valley, 2.200 m a.s.l., 50°1'15.37"N, 89°13'43.65"E, 30.vii.–2.viii.2016, 13 ♂♂ (gen. slide GEL 1259 ♂, GEL 1260 ♂, P. Huemer) (Barcode TLMF Lep 20329, Barcode TLMF Lep 20330, Barcode TLMF Lep 20331), P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Kosh-Agach district, 10 km NE of Kosh-Agach, Kurai Mountains Range, Tabozhok valley, 2.100 m a.s.l., 50°4'32.36"N, 88°43'41.83"E, 2.–4.viii.2016, 1 ♂ (Barcode KLM Lep 06375), C. Wieser leg. (LMK); Belyashi env. (56 km SE), 49°39'45"N, 88°14'28"E, Dzhazator valley, mountain meadows near Tara river, 2300 m, 25.–26.vii.2017, 17 ♂♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0370), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 27.–28.vii.2017, 7 ♂♂ 1 ♀, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: AAE9479 (n = 10, 5 public, 5 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region is 0.6% (maximum 1.31%). The nearest neighbour is *C. schleichi* (Christoph, 1872) with 2.25% p-distance.

**Distribution.** Europe: southern Scandinavia, the Baltic countries, Macedonia, Mongolia, Russia: the Altai Republic, Zabaikalskiy krai, Middle Amur (HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010, PONOMARENKO 2016, HUEMER et al. 2017).

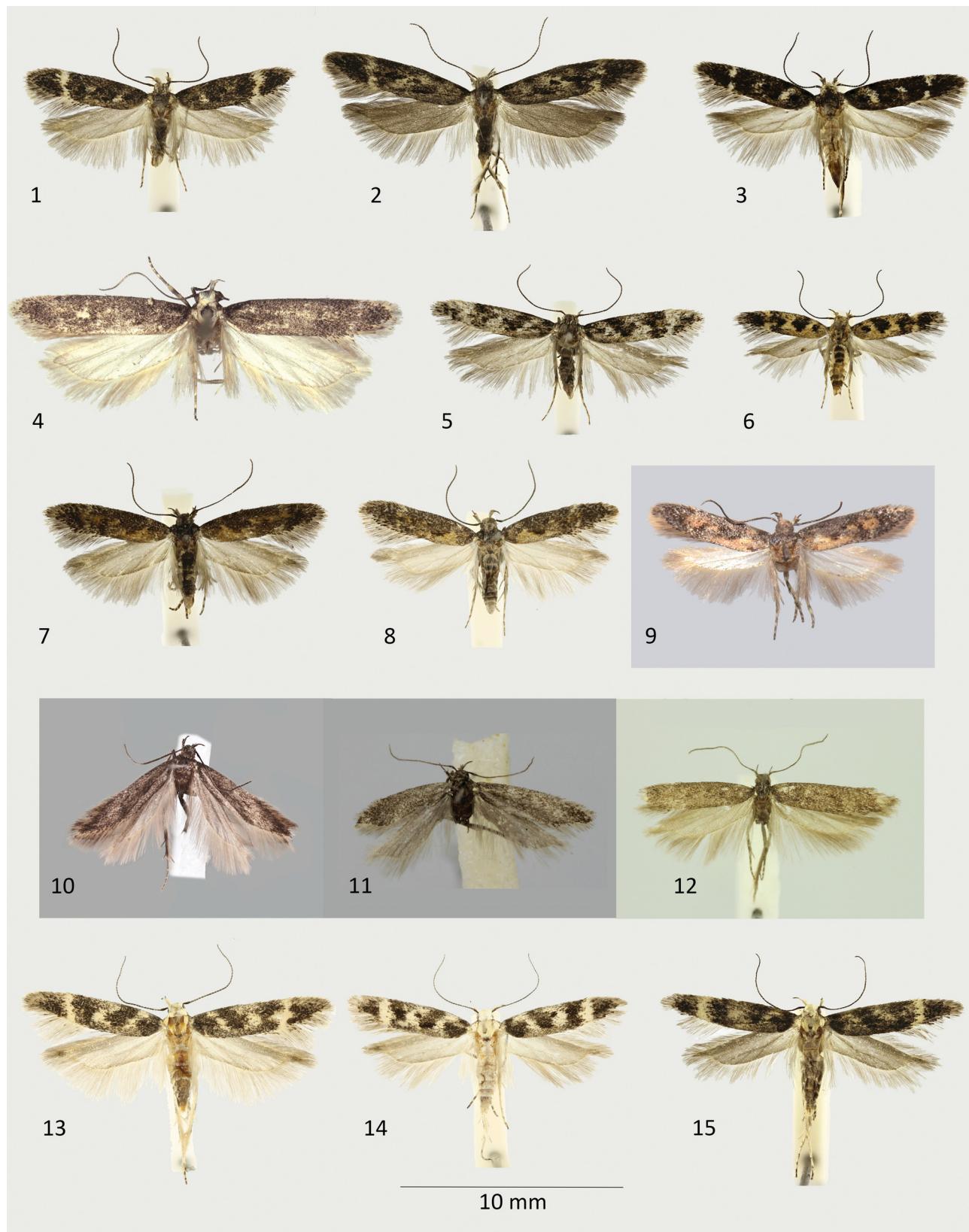
**Remark.** Until recently, *Caryocolum arenariella* was treated as a subspecies of *C. schleichi* (Christoph, 1872). Based on a recent study it was re-elevated to the species level (AARVIK et al. 2017).

### *Caryocolum cassella* (Walker, 1864)

(Fig. 2)

**Records.** BIDZILYA (2009).

**Material examined. RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC:** Teletskoe lake, Artybash Biol. St., 18.–22.viii.1982, 1 ♂, Mikkola leg. (FMNH); Katun valley, 15 km S of Katanda, 1200 m a.s.l., taiga, 2.–25.vii.1983, 13 ♂♂ 2 ♀♀, K. Mikkola, H. Hippa & J. Jalava leg. (FMNH); Ust'-Sema district, Kamlak env., 6.vii.2001, 1 ♀, at light, O. Bidzilya leg. (ZMKU); Aktash vill., 50°19'12"N, 87°36'00"E, 1400 m a.s.l., grassy steppe, rocks, 11.vii.2014, 1 ♂, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Belyashi env. (56 km SE), 49°39'45"N,



Figs 1–15. Adults of some *Caryocolum* species. 1 – *C. arenariella* (Benander, 1937), Dzhazator, male; 2 – *C. cassella* (Walker, 1864), Dzhazator, male; 3 – *C. leucomelanella* (Zeller, 1839), Chulyshman, male; 4 – *C. mongolense* Povolný, 1969, Beltir, male; 5 – *C. petrophilum* (Preissecker, 1914), Karagem, male; 6 – *C. petryi* (Hofmann, 1899), Karagem, female; 7–9 – *C. procurvella* sp. nov., males: 7 – Karagem, holotype; 8 – Karagem, paratype; 9 – S Ural, Arkaim, paratype; 10–12 – *C. atrum* sp. nov.: 10 – holotype, Ukok Plateau; 11–12 – paratypes: 11 – Beltir; 12 – Mongolia, Chövsgöl aimak; 13–15 – *C. tetrameris* (Meyrick, 1926): 13–14 – Dzhazator, males, 15 – Aktash, female.

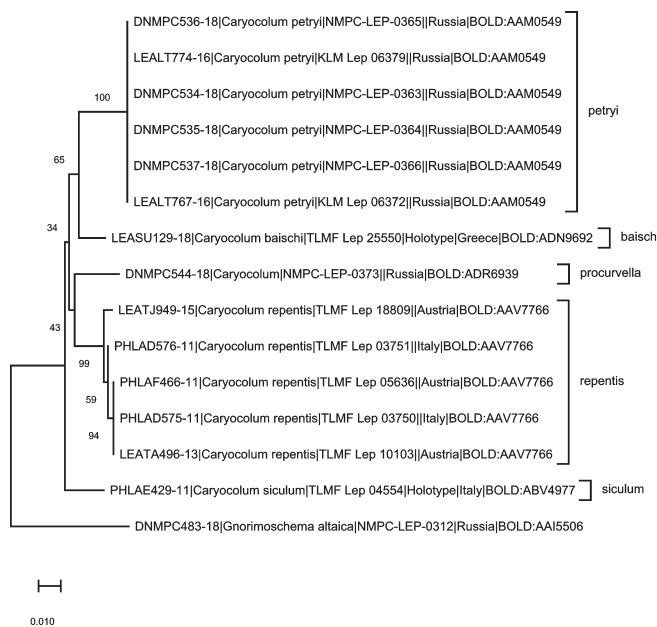


Fig. 16. Maximum likelihood tree based on DNA barcodes of the specimens from the *Caryocolum petryi* group with *Gnorimoschema altaica* Bidzilya, Huemer, Nupponen & Šumpich, 2019 as an outgroup species (for sources see in Material and methods).

88°14'28"E, Dzhazator valley, mountain meadows near Tara river, 2300 m, 25.–26.vii.2017, 6 ♂♂ 3 ♀♀ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0371, Barcode NMPC-LEP-0379), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 27.–28.vii.2017, 4 ♂♂ 1 ♀ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0372, NMPC-LEP-0380), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: ACX4318 ( $n=49$ , 34 public, 4 from the Altai), AAM7959 ( $n=26$ , 26 public, 0 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region of the first cluster is 0.43% (maximum 1.16%), and 0.41% (maximum 0.81%) of the second one. Whereas the second cluster (BIN AAM7959) comprises exclusively records from Canada, in the first cluster (BIN ACX4318) records from Canada and the whole Palaearctic are merged. The average distance between these clusters is 1.37%.

**Distribution.** Holarctic. In Europe as well as in Russia predominantly in the mountains (BIDZILYA 2002, 2009; HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010).

**Remark.** Large material from the Holarctic Region was examined, and no distinct differences in habitus or genitalia were found (HUEMER 1988, HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010, NAZARI & LANDRY 2012). We therefore consider both genetic clusters conspecific.

### *Caryocolum junctella* (Douglas, 1851)

**Records.** BIDZILYA (2002).

**Material examined. RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC:** Teletskoe lake, Artybash Biol. St., 18.–22.viii.1982, 1 ♂ (GU 94/478, P. Huemer), Mikkola leg. (FMNH); Gorno-Altaisk, 15.vii.1998, 1 ♂, A. Lvovsky leg. (ZIN); Katun valley, 600 m a.s.l., near Ust-Sema village, 51°40'N 85°45'E, 1.vii.2001, 1 ♂ (gen. slide 248/19, O. Bidzilya), K. Nupponen leg. (NUPP).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: AAQ1185 ( $n=6$ , 5 public, 0 from the Altai), ACY8911 ( $n=5$ , 5 public, 0 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode

region of the first cluster is 0.06% (maximum 0.17%), and 0.32% (maximum 0.48%) of the second one. The average divergence between these clusters is 1.77%.

**Distribution.** From Europe to Japan, Korea and China (HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010).

### *Caryocolum leucomelanella* (Zeller, 1839)

(Fig. 3)

**Records.** BIDZILYA (2002), HUEMER et al. (2017).

**Material examined. RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC:** Katun valley, 10 km W Katanda, 1200 m a.s.l., 15.–19.vii.1983, 4 ♂♂, K. Mikkola, H. Hippa & J. Jalava leg. (FMNH); Katun valley, 15 km S Katanda, 1200 m a.s.l., taiga, 23.–25.vii.1983, 3 ♂♂, K. Mikkola, H. Hippa & J. Jalava leg. (FMNH); Kosh-Agatch distr., 30 km W of Dzhazator, Koksu river, 1600 m a.s.l., 19.–20.viii.2000, 11 ♂♂, O. Bidzilya leg. (ZMKU); Kosh-Agatch distr., 5 km E of Dzhazator, 1500 m a.s.l., 22.viii.2000, 27.vii.2001, 3 ♂♂, O. Bidzilya leg. (ZMKU); Kuraisky hrebet, 50°16'–20'N 87°50'–55'E, 2300 m a.s.l., 11. and 13.vii.2001, 1 ♂ (gen. slide 177/18; 225/19, O. Bidzilya), K. Nupponen leg. (NUPP); Kuraisky hrebet, 51°00'–10'N 85°33'–45'E, 1400–1500 m a.s.l., 16.vii.2001, 2 ♂♂, K. Nupponen leg. (NUPP); Chuja valley, 5 km SE of Aktash village, 50°14'–16'N 87°40'E, 1500 m a.s.l., 14.vii.2001, 1 ♂, K. Nupponen leg. (NUPP); Ulagan district, 11 km NNW of Aktash vill., 1.900 m a.s.l., 50°24'49.22"N, 87°34'21.42"E, 28.–30.vii.2016, 13 ♂♂ (Barcode TLMF Lep 20239, TLMF Lep 20240, TLMF Lep 20241, TLMF Lep 20275), P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); same data, (Barcode KLM Lep 06380), C. Wieser leg. (LMK); Kosh-Agach district, 17 km NNE of Kokarya, Chikhacheva Mountains Range, Taldair Mountains, Sajlyugem valley, 2.200 m a.s.l., 50°1'15.37"N, 89°13'43.65"E, 30.vii.–2.viii.2016, 1 ♂, P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Ulagan district, 10 km NE Aktash village, Kuraj Mts range, between Korumdyajry and Yarlyamry rivers, 2150 m a.s.l., 50°19'N, 87°43'E, 6.–8.viii.2016, 10 ♂♂, P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Chemal district, 2 km SW of Chemal, 450 m a.s.l., 51°22'59.90"N, 85°58'59.96"E, 8.–9.viii.2016, 1 ♂ (Barcode TLMF Lep 21234), P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Belyashi env. (56 km SE), 49°39'45"N, 88°14'28"E, Dzhazator valley, mountain meadows near Tara river, 2300 m, 25.–26.vii.2017, 1 ♀ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0377), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 27.–28.vii.2017, 1 ♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0367), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Kosh-Agach Distr., Kurai env. (6.5 km SW), 50°10'35"N, 87°53'55"E, grassy steppe, 1550 m, 30.vii.2017, 1 ♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0376), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); 45 km N of Ulagan vill., Chulyshman valley, 51°01'03"N, 88°00'39"E, grassy steppe, rocks, 600 m, 27.–28.vi.2015, 2 ♂♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0378), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: AAM3503 ( $n=38$ , 24 public, 10 from the Altai), ACI3418 ( $n=4$ , 4 public, 0 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region of the first cluster is 0.85% (maximum 2.09%), and 0.4% (maximum 0.64%) of the second one. The average divergence between both clusters is 2.73%. The moths from the second cluster (BIN ACI3418) possibly belong to a new species but require further revisionary work.

**Distribution.** From Europe (central and southern parts) across Turkey to Zabaikalskiy krai of Russia (PONOMARENKO 2008, HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010).

### *Caryocolum mongolense* Povolný, 1969

(Figs 4, 17)

**Records.** BIDZILYA (2002).

**Material examined. RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC:** Kosh-Agatch distr., 15 km from Beltir up along Tchagan river, 2200 m a.s.l., steppe, 14.viii.2000, 2 ♂♂ (gen. slide 192/18, O. Bidzilya), O. Bidzilya leg. (ZMKU).

**Molecular data.** No data are available.

**Distribution.** Mongolia (HUEMER 1988), Russia: the Altai Republic. The records from the Altai are the only ones from Russia so far (see also BIDZILYA 2002).

### *Caryocolum oculatella* (Thomann, 1930)

**Records.** BIDZILYA (2002), HUEMER et al. (2017).

**Material examined.** RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC: Ongudai distr., 15 km lower of Iodro vill., along Tchuja river, 6.viii.2000, 1 ♂, O. Bidzilya leg.; Ongudai distr., Maliy Jaloman, 700 m a.s.l., 2.viii.2001, 9 ♂♂ 1 ♀, at light, O. Bidzilya leg. (all ZMKU); 1 ♀, Kuraisky khrebet, 50°16–20'N 87°50–55'E, 2300 m a.s.l., 11. and 13.vii.2001, 1 ♂ (gen. slide 224/19, O. Bidzilya), K. Nuppenen leg. (NUPP); Kosh-Agach district, 10 km NE of Kosh-Agach, Kurai Mountains Range, Tabozhok valley, 2,100 m a.s.l., 50°4'32.36"N, 88°43'41.83"E, 2.–4.viii.2016, 9 ♂♂ 1 ♀, (Barcode TLMF Lep 20381, TLMF Lep 20382, TLMF Lep 20383), P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 27.–28.vii.2017, 48 ♂♂ 9 ♀♀, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Kosh-Agach Distr., Kurai env. (15 km SW), Dzhangyskol lake, 50°10'49"N; 87°44'19"E, coniferous forest/steppe, 1830 m, 24.–25.vi.2015, 1 ♂, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Kosh-Agach Distr., Chagan-Uzun env., Krasnaya Gorka hill, 50°05'00"N; 88°25'15"E, rocky steppe, 1870 m, 29.vi.2015, 1 ♂, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Kosh-Agach Distr., Kurai env. (6.5 km SW), 50°10'35"N, 87°53'55"E, grassy steppe, 1550 m, 9.–10.vii.2014, 1 ♀, 30.vii.2017, 2 ♂♂, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Aktash vill., 17.–22.vii.2009, 10 ♂♂, (gen. slide GEL 1225 ♂, GEL 1243 ♂, P. Huemer) (Barcode TLMF Lep 19842, TLMF Lep 19843), B. Schacht leg. (TLMF); Aktash vill., 50°19'12"N; 87°36'00"E, grassy steppe, rocks, 1400 m, 11.vii.2014, 4 ♂♂, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); 45 km N of Ulagan vill., Chulyshman valley, 51°01'03"N; 88°00'39"E, grassy steppe, rocks, 600 m, 27.–28.vi.2015, 4 ♀♀, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: ABV4976 (n = 4, 1 public, 3 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region is 0.1% (maximum 0.15%). The nearest neighbour is *C. alsinella* (Zeller, 1868) with 3.53% p-distance.

**Distribution.** The Alps (Switzerland, Austria), Mongolia (POVOLNÝ 1973, as *Caryocolum* pr. *amaurellum*; HUEMER 1988; HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010), Russia: the Altai Republic, South of Krasnoyarskiy krai, Zabaikalskiy krai (BIDZILYA et al. 1998, BIDZILYA 2002).

**Remark.** *Caryocolum oculatella* was described from the vicinity of Martina in Graubünden in Switzerland where it rarely occurs (LEPIFORUM 2019) whereas in the Altai mountains it belongs to the abundant species.

### *Caryocolum petrophila* (Preissecker, 1914)

(Fig. 5)

**Records.** HUEMER & KARSHOLT (2010), HUEMER et al. (2017).

**Material examined.** RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC: Katun valley, 10 km W of Katanda, 1200 m a.s.l., 15.–27.vii.1983, 4 ♂♂ 1 ♀ (GU 94/471, P. Huemer), K. Mikkola, H. Hippa & J. Jalava leg. (FMNH); Chemal district, 2 km SW of Chemal, 450 m a.s.l., 51°22'59.90"N, 85°58'59.96"E, 8.–9.viii..2016, 3 ♂♂ (Barcode KLM Lep 06376, KLM Lep 06377, KLM Lep 06378), C. Wieser leg. (KLM); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 27.–28.vii.2017, 1 ♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0375), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: AAO3809 (n = 17, 11 public, 4 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region is 0.92% (maximum 2.41%). The nearest neighbour is *C. huebneri* (Haworth, 1828) with

4.98% p-distance.

**Distribution.** Very local arctic-alpine distribution pattern in Europe (from France to Ural) (HUEMER 1988, JUNNILAINEN et al. 2010), Central Asia and the Altai Republic of Russia (HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010).

### *Caryocolum petryi* (Hofmann, 1899)

(Fig. 6)

**Records.** HUEMER et al. (2017).

**Material examined.** RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC: Kosh-Agach district, 10 km NE of Kosh-Agach, Kurai Mountains Range, Tabozhok valley, 2,100 m a.s.l., 50°4'32.36"N, 88°43'41.83"E, 2.–4.viii.2016, 2 ♂♂ (Barcode KLM Lep 06372, KLM Lep 06379), C. Wieser leg. (KLM); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 27.–28.vii.2017, 6 ♂♂ 5 ♀♀ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0363, NMPC-LEP-0364, NMPC-LEP-0365, NMPC-LEP-0366), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: AAM0549 (n = 14, 8 public, 6 from Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region is 0.15% (maximum 0.64%). The nearest neighbour is *C. baischi* Huemer & Karsholt, 2010 with 3.37% p-distance.

**Distribution.** Palaearctic. In Russia it is known only from the Altai Republic and Zabaikalskiy krai (BIDZILYA 2005, HUEMER et al. 2017). Material published by POVOLNÝ (1973) from Mongolia as *C. pr. repentellum* (= *C. repentis*) actually belongs to *C. petryi*.

**Remark.** Material from the Altai Mts. resembles rather the nominotypical population from Germany (Thuringia) than the darker and smaller specimens from Sweden (Öland) that were described as the subspecies *benanderi* (Hering, 1933). Similar dark, but larger specimens also occur in the Baltic countries and SE Poland, and furthermore in higher regions of the Alps.

### *Caryocolum procurvella* sp. nov.

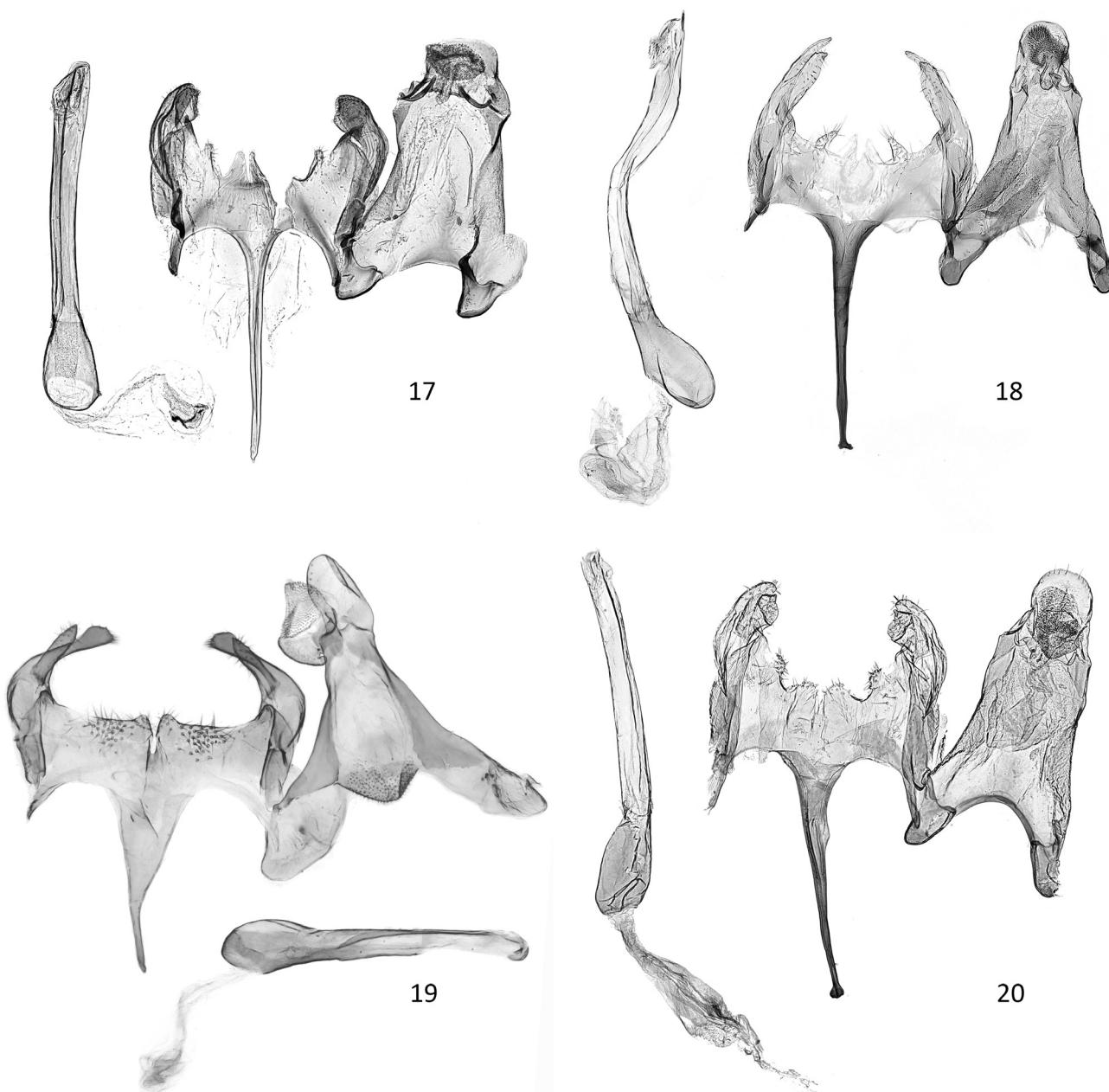
(Figs 7–9, 18)

**Records.** JUNNILAINEN et al. (2010, as *C. repentis* Huemer & Luquet, 1992); AKULOV et al. (2019, as *C. repentis*).

**Type material.** HOLOTYPE: ♂ (NMPC): RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC: Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m a.s.l. (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0373), J. Šumpich leg. PARATYPE: 1 ♂ (NMPC): the same collecting data as holotype, gen. prep. Šumpich 19979. CHELIABINSK DISTRICT: Arkaim reserve near Amurskii village, 9.vii.1997, 1 ♂ (gen. prep. 00021901 J. Junnilainen), K. Nuppenen & J. Junnilainen leg. (JUNN).

**Description. Adult** (Figs 7–9). Wingspan 11.5–12.5 mm. Segment 2 of labial palpus creamy suffused with brown scales on inner and outer surface, lighter near base; segment 3 black. Antenna unicolorous, black. Head and tegulae dark brown with dark bronze, close-fitting scales; thorax dark brown. Forewing dark brown in basal, costal and apical parts, subtly suffused with whitish scales; dorsum distinctly rusty, this light patch does not reach base; rusty scales indistinctly also in 2/3 from base; costal and tornal spots indistinct. Hindwing light grey, slightly darker near costa and apex.

**Variation.** In lighter specimens dorsum and costal and tornal spots can be more distinct.



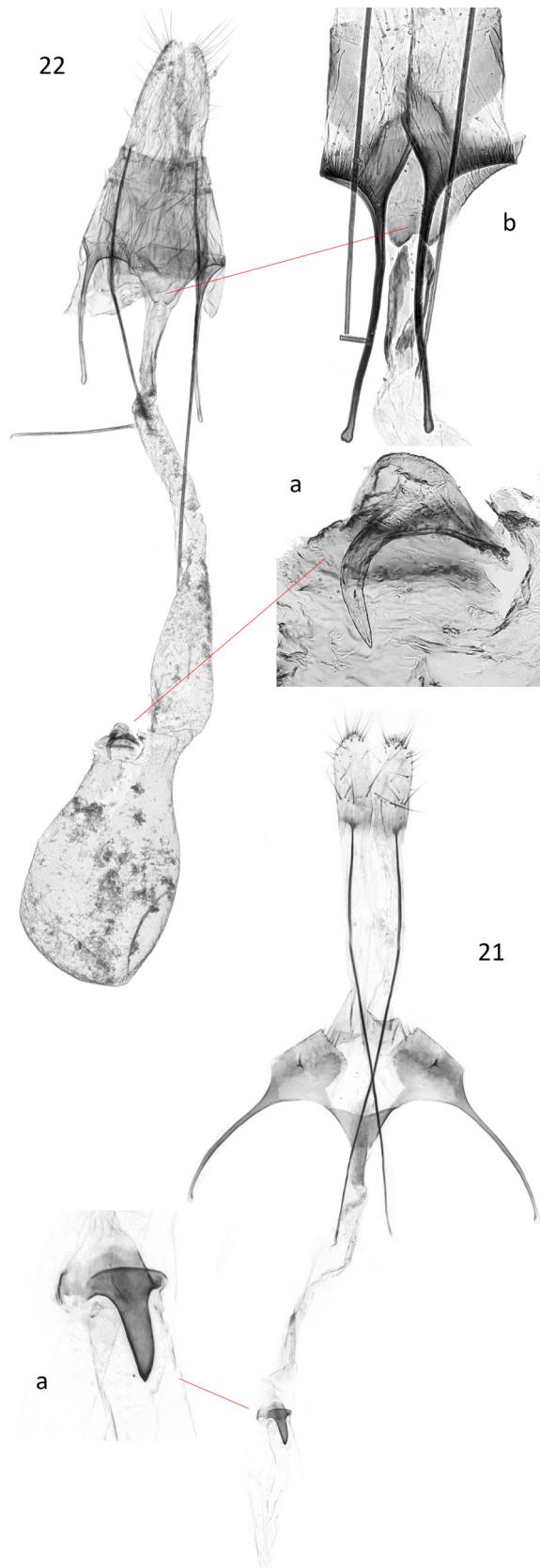
Figs 17–20. Male genitalia of some *Caryocolum* species recorded from Altai Mts. 17 – *C. mongolense* Povolný, 1969, gen. prep. Bidzilya 192/18; 18 – *C. procurvella* sp. nov.; gen. prep. Šumpich 19979; 19 – *C. atrum* sp. nov., gen. prep. Huemer 1277; 20 – *C. tetrumeris* (Meyrick, 1926), gen. prep. Šumpich 19985. Phalli to the same scale as genitalia.

**Male genitalia** (Fig. 18). Uncus subrectangular, apically rounded; tegumen slender, comparatively greatly emarginate anteriorly; valva narrow, short, not reaching top of uncus, bluntly pointed; sacculus shorter and broader compared with valva, very slightly curved, apically pointed; posterior margin of vinculum with two medial triangular processes and two lateral digitate processes, approximately of same length as those in middle; saccus comparatively long, moderately extending towards base; phallus very long and slender, approximately twice longer compared to tegumen complex, S-curved, apex pointed, with some minute cornuti.

**Female genitalia.** Unknown.

**Differential diagnosis.** *Caryocolum procurvella* is externally similar to several species of the *C. petryi* group,

particularly to *C. repentis*, *C. baischi* Huemer & Karsholt, 2010, and *C. siculum* Bella, 2008. It differs from these species in the indistinct costal and tornal spots, the unicolorous dark thorax, and the generally less contrasting appearance of forewings. Moreover, the rusty dorsal patch is separated from base in *C. procurvella* but associated with it in *C. repentis* and *C. siculum*. In the male genitalia, *C. repentis* is the most similar species but it has shorter (1/3 length of lateral) medial projection of the vinculum, a comparatively shorter saccus and an apically nearly rounded (rather than pointed as in *C. procurvella*) valva (see e.g. HUEMER & KARSHOLT 2010). From other related species, *C. procurvella* differs in the shape of processes of the posterior margin of the vinculum and the significantly S-curved phallus.



Figs 21–22. Female genitalia of some *Caryocolum* species recorded from Altai Mts. 21 – *C. atrum* sp. nov., gen. prep. Huemer 1278; a – signum (enlarged); 22 – *C. tetricus* (Meyrick, 1926), gen. prep. Šumpich 19984; a – detail of antrum (enlarged) (gen. prep. Bidzilya 286/17); b – signum (enlarged).

Table 1. Mean genetic distances in % between *Caryocolum procurvella* sp. nov. and related taxa (lower left part) with standard deviations of distances (upper right part)

	1	2	3	4	5
<i>Caryocolum procurvella</i> 1	–	0.78	0.87	0.77	0.88
<i>Caryocolum repentis</i> 2	3.75	–	0.73	0.78	0.82
<i>Caryocolum siculum</i> 3	4.57	3.41	–	0.78	0.81
<i>Caryocolum baischi</i> 4	3.75	3.93	3.91	–	0.68
<i>Caryocolum petryi</i> 5	4.94	4.63	4.62	3.47	–

**Etymology.** The species name is derived from the Latin word *procurvus* (curved), referring to the characteristic shape of the phallus; noun in apposition.

**Biology.** Unknown. Adults were collected in rocky steppe with sparse vegetation in 1400 m a.s.l. (Figs 25–26). The closely related species *C. repentis* lives on *Gypsophila repens* L. (Caryophyllaceae), and it is expected that *C. procurvella* develops on *Gypsophila* species, too.

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: ADR6939 (n = 1, 1 public, 1 from the Altai). The nearest neighbours are *C. repentis* and *C. baischi* with 3.75% p-distance (Table 1).

**Distribution.** Russia: the Altai Republic, Southern Ural and probably the Republic of Khakassia.

**Remark.** The record of *C. repentis* from the Republic of Khakassia (AKULOV et al. 2019) most likely belongs to *C. procurvella*.

#### *Caryocolum atrum* sp. nov.

(Figs 10–12, 19, 21)

**Records.** POVOLNÝ (1973, as *Caryocolum pr. blandella*); BIDZILYA (2002, as *C. blandella*, misidentification); HUEMER et al. (2017, as *Monochroa* sp. 1).

**Type material.** HOLOTYPE: ♂ (TLMF): RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC: Kosh-Agach district, north of the Ukok Plateau, small side valley in the catchment area of the Zhumaly River, 49°30'17.85"N, 88°05'50"E, 2,400–2,500 m a.s.l., 4.–6.viii.2016 (gen. slide P. Huemer GEL 1277 ♂), (Barcode TLMF Lep 20454), Huemer P. & Wiesmair B. leg. PARATYPES: 7 ♂♂ 2 ♀♀ (TLMF): the same collecting data as holotype (gen. slide P. Huemer GEL 1278 ♀), (Barcode TLMF Lep 20455); Kosh-Agach district, 15 km N of Beltir near Chagan river, 2200 m a.s.l., steppe, 16.viii.2000, 1 ♂ (gen. slide 180/18, Bidzilya), O. Bidzilya leg. (ZMKU). MONGOLIA: CHÖVSGÖL AIMAK: Alag Mort, 42 km NO von Pass Chaldzan Sogotyn davaa, am Fluss Tesijin gol [= 42 km NE of Chaldzan Sogotyn davaa pass, at Tesijin gol river], 1900 m, 14.viii.1968, 1 ♂ (gen. slide Gz. 3967), exp. Dr. Z. Kaszab, 1968 (Nr. 1109), with additional label ‘*Caryocolum pr. blandella* det. Povolny’ (SMNK).

**Description. Adult** (Figs 10–12). Wingspan 10.5–13.5 mm. Head, thorax and tegulae blackish brown. Segment 2 of labial palpus blackish brown, upper surface mottled with cream-coloured scales; segment 3 blackish brown with a few cream-coloured scales. Antenna blackish brown, with indistinct lighter rings. Forewings narrow, unicolorous glossy blackish brown, without distinct markings, in fresh specimens black spot in fold and cell weakly developed; costal margin near base and apex darker. Hindwing grey-brown, little lighter than forewings. Females smaller, otherwise as males.

**Variation.** None.

**Male genitalia** (Fig. 19). Uncus rounded; tegumen very broad; transtilla with numerous spines; valva slightly

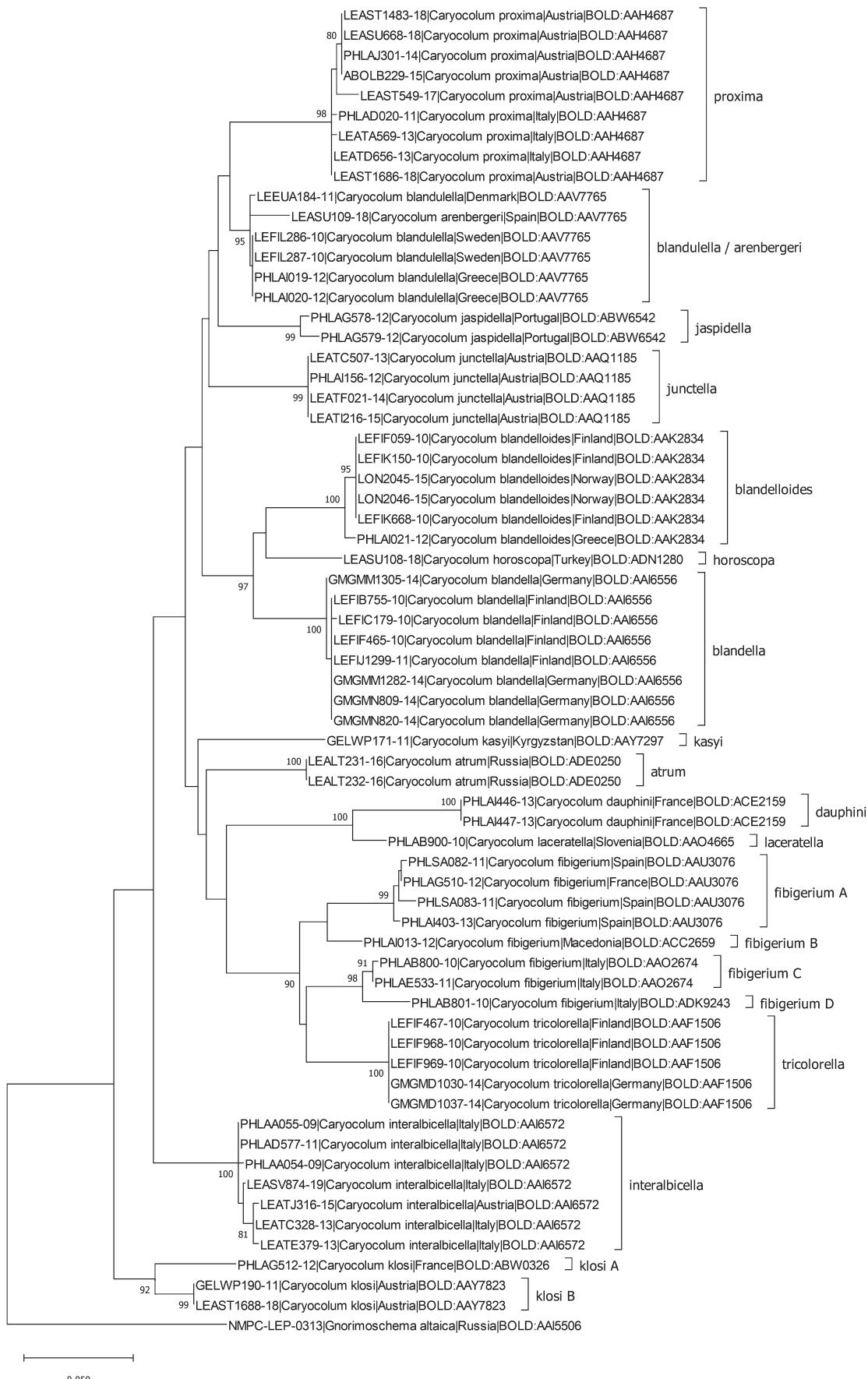


Fig. 23. Maximum likelihood tree based on DNA barcodes of the specimens from the *Caryocolum interalbicella* group with *Gnorimoschema altaica* Bidzilya, Huemer, Nupponen & Šumpich, 2019 as an outgroup species (data from BOLD).

Table 2. Intraspecific mean K2P (Kimura 2 Parameter) divergences, maximum pairwise distances and distance to the nearest neighbour within the *C. interalbicella* species-group (in %).

Species	Mean Intra-Sp	Max Intra-Sp	Nearest Species (NS)	Distance to NS
<i>Caryocolum arenbergeri</i>	—	0	<i>Caryocolum blandulella</i>	1.55
<i>Caryocolum blandella</i>	0.13	0.36	<i>Caryocolum blandulella</i>	5.04
<i>Caryocolum blandelloides</i>	0.24	0.98	<i>Caryocolum blandella</i>	5.3
<i>Caryocolum blandulella</i>	0.21	0.46	<i>Caryocolum arenbergeri</i>	1.55
<i>Caryocolum dauphini</i>	0	0	<i>Caryocolum laceratella</i>	5.63
<i>Caryocolum fibigerum</i>	3.41	6.31	<i>Caryocolum tricolorella</i>	4.12
<i>Caryocolum horoscopa</i>	—	0	<i>Caryocolum blandulella</i>	5.08
<i>Caryocolum interalbicella</i>	0.37	0.77	<i>Caryocolum junctella</i>	5.27
<i>Caryocolum jaspidella</i>	1.08	1.08	<i>Caryocolum blandulella</i>	4.42
<i>Caryocolum junctella</i>	1.12	2.34	<i>Caryocolum blandulella</i>	4.03
<i>Caryocolum kasyi</i>	—	0	<i>Caryocolum junctella</i>	4.91
<i>Caryocolum klosi</i>	2.16	4.28	<i>Caryocolum interalbicella</i>	5.43
<i>Caryocolum laceratella</i>	—	0	<i>Caryocolum dauphini</i>	5.63
<i>Caryocolum atrum</i>	0	0	<i>Caryocolum blandulella</i>	5.46
<i>Caryocolum proxima</i>	0.44	1.08	<i>Caryocolum blandulella</i>	3.8
<i>Caryocolum tricolorella</i>	0.14	0.46	<i>Caryocolum fibigerum</i>	4.12

longer than sacculus, bulged distally; sacculus narrow, straight, pointed, in spike nail-shaped; posterior margin of vinculum nearly straight, slightly projected in middle and with short medial incision; saccus broad at base, gradually tapered, with narrow last third rod-like; phallus stout, straight, comparatively short, with indistinct spine in distal part.

**Female genitalia** (Fig. 21). Eighth segment with pair of small processes, pointing laterally. Apophysis anterior about three times length of apophysis posterior; antrum funnel-shaped, very broad posteriorly; ductus bursae slightly sclerotized near antrum; signum short slightly bent hook.

**Differential diagnosis.** Very similar to *C. unicoloratum* and *C. mongolense*, from which the new species differs in the smaller size (10.5–13.5 mm compared to 15.1 mm in *C. unicoloratum* and 17–18 mm in *C. mongolense*), and in unicolorous blackish-brown and distinctly narrower wings without discal spots in forewings, with more pointed apex. Furthermore, *C. mongolense* has a creamish white rather than brown head. The narrow sacculus with apex pointed from both sides is the most valuable character of male genitalia for separating *C. atrum* sp. nov. from *C. proxima* (Haworth, 1828), *C. blandella* (Douglas, 1852), and *C. blandelloides* Karsholt, 1981, which have the shape of the posterior margin of the vinculum very similar to *C. atrum* sp. nov. In female genitalia the new species is most similar to *C. blandella*, but the ventromedial plate and the processes of the eighth segment are indistinct. The male and female genitalia of the new species as well as DNA barcodes support its placement in the *C. interalbicella* species-group of *Caryocolum* (sensu HUEMER 1988) (Table 2).

**Etymology.** The species name is the Latin adjective *ater* (-a, -um), referring to the black colour of the forewings.

**Biology.** Unknown. The majority of the type specimens were collected after a frosty night in the early morning hours at very low temperatures, at open grassy habitats partly with *Betula nana* as undergrowth at an altitude of

2.400–2.500 m a.s.l. (Fig. 28).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: ADE0250 ( $n = 2$ , 2 public, 2 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region is 0.0%. The nearest neighbour is *C. blandulella* (Tutt, 1887) with 5.46% p-distance (Table 2).

**Distribution.** Russia: the Altai Republic; Mongolia.

#### *Caryocolum pullatella* (Tengstrom, 1848)

**Records.** HUEMER et al. (2017).

**Material examined.** RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC: Teletskoe lake, Artybash biol. St., 18.–22.viii.1982, 7 ♂♂ 3 ♀♀, Mikkola leg. (FMNH); Kuragan valley, 15 km S Katanda, 1200 m a.s.l., taiga, 23–25.vii.1983, 1 ♂ (GU 94/481, P. Huemer), Mikkola, Hippe & Jalava leg. (FMNH); Katun valley, 700 m a.s.l., near Ust-Sema village, 51°40'N 85°45'E, 23.vi.2000, 3 ♂♂ 1 ♀♀ (gen. slide 249/19 ♀, O. Bidzilya), T. & K. Nupponen leg. (NUPP); Ulagan district, 11 km NNW of Aktash, 1.900 m a.s.l., 50°24'49.22"N, 87°34'21.42"E, 28.–30.vii.2016, 2 ♂♂, (Barcode TLMF Lep 20249, TLMF Lep 20250), P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 27.–28.vii.2017, 1 ♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0374), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Ust-Kan env. (6 km E), 50°56'05"N, 84°51'17", grassy steppe, meadow, 1100 m a.s.l., 12.vii.2014, 3 ♂♂ (gen. slide 195/18, O. Bidzilya), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC).

**Molecular data.** BIN BOLD: AAC1599 ( $n = 37$ , 33 public, 3 from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region is 0.25% (maximum 0.72%). However, several other BINs were assigned to the species *C. pullatella*: AAC1598 (southern and central Europe), AAC1597 (Canada), AAH6281 (Canada), AAH4284 (Canada, USA), ACI5465 (USA), which can indicate cryptic diversity there. The Altai specimens are clustered together with North-European records (Norway, Finland).

**Distribution.** Holarctic according to the current concept. In Russia it was recorded from the European part to Zabaikalskiy krai in the east (PONOMARENKO 2008).

**Remark.** *Caryocolum pullatella* was described from Finland (cf. HUEMER 1988). Based on the barcode data, the Altai specimens belong to true *C. pullatella*, with a distribution possibly restricted from northern Europe to



Figs 24–28. Habitats of *Caryocolum* species in Altai Mts. 24 – Aktash, habitat of *C. oculatella* (Thomann, 1930) and *C. tetrameris* (Meyrick, 1926), the portable light trap in the middle of the photo; 25–26 – confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 25 km NW Dzhazator, habitat of *C. arenariella* (Benander, 1937), *C. petryi* (Hofmann, 1899), *C. petrophilum* (Preissecker, 1914), *C. procurvella* sp. nov., and *C. tetrameris* (Meyrick, 1926); 25 – view of the hill where *Caryocolum* species were collected; 26 – view of the landscape from the collecting site, in the background peaks of South Chuy ridge; 27 – Tara valley, 56 km SE of Dzhazator, habitat of *C. arenariella* (Benander, 1937), *C. cassella* (Walker, 1864), *C. leucomelanella* (Zeller, 1839), and *C. tetrameris* (Meyrick, 1926); 28 – Ukok plateau, habitat of *C. atrum* sp. nov. Photo J. Šumpich (24–27) and B. Wiesmair (28).

southern Siberia, whereas other populations probably represent cryptic species which should be revised (see also NAZARI & LANDRY 2012).

#### *Caryocolum tetrameris* (Meyrick, 1926)

(Figs 13–15, 20, 22)

**Records.** HUEMER et al. (2017, as *Caryocolum* sp.).

**Material examined. RUSSIA: ALTAI REPUBLIC:** Dzhazator valley, near Tara river, 56 km SE of Belyashi, 49°39'45"N, 88°14'28"E, 2300 m a.s.l., 25.–26.vii.2017, 69 ♂♂ 7 ♀♀ (gen. prep. 19983, 19984, 19985, J. Šumpich) (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0367), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC, ZMKU, ZMUC); Kosh-Agach district, 17 km NNE of Kokorya, Chikhacheva Mountains Range, Talduair Mountains, Sajlyugem valley, 2,200 m a.s.l., 50°01'15.37"N, 89°13'43.65"E, 30.vii.–2.viii.2016, 2 ♂♂ (gen. slide GEL 1263 ♂, P. Huemer) (Barcode TLMF Lep 20363, TLMF Lep 20364), P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Kosh-Agach district, 10 km NE

of Kosh-Agach, Kurai Mountains Range, Tabozhok valley, 2,100 m a.s.l., 50°04'32.36"N, 88°43'41.83"E, 2.–4.viii.2016, 3 ♂♂ (gen. slide GEL 1264 ♂, P. Huemer) (Barcode TLMF Lep 20380), P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Ulagan district, 10 km NE Aktash village, Kurai Mts range, between Korumdyajry and Yarlyamry rivers, 2150 m a.s.l., 50°19'N, 87°43"E, 6.–8.viii.2016, 9 ♂♂ 1 ♀, P. Huemer & B. Wiesmair leg. (TLMF); Aktash vill., 50°19'12"N; 87°36'00"E, grassy steppe, rocks, 1400 m, 11.vii.2014, 1 ♂ (Barcode NMPC-LEP-0361), J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); the same data but 21.vi.2015, 2 ♂♂ 2 ♀♀ (gen. slide 280/17; 286/17♀; 171/18, O. Bidzilya) (NMPC); Belyashi (Dzhazator) env. (25 km NW), confluence of Argut and Karagem rivers, 49°51'56"N, 87°10'22"E, rocky steppe, 1400 m, 1 ♂ 8 ♀♀, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC); Kosh-Agach Distr., Kurai env. (6.5 km SW), 50°10'35"N; 87°53'55"E, grassy steppe, 1550 m, 30.vii.2017, 2 ♀♀, J. Šumpich leg. (NMPC).

**Molecular data.** Genetically variable species, clustering into two BINS: BIN BOLD: ADE0005 (n = 4, 4 public,

4 from the Altai); BOLD: ADE0329 ( $n = 1$ , from the Altai). The average intraspecific divergence of the barcode region in BIN BOLD: ADE0005 is 0.24% (maximum 0.32%) whereas the p-distance to the second cluster is 3.56%. *C. sciarella* (Walsingham, [1908]) occurring on the Canary Islands and Madeira, is the nearest neighbour with 6.8% p-distance.

**Distribution.** Turkey, Iran and central Asia (HUEMER 1988), Russia: the Altai Republic. New species for Russia.

**Remark.** Specimens of both genetic clusters occur sympatrically and fully agree in external and genitalia morphology, thus clearly indicating conspecificity.

Material from the Altai Mts. is tentatively identified as *C. tetrumeris*, a species described from Turkey which may include cryptic diversity. However, lack of material and absence of comparative genetic data do not allow a final taxonomic assessment for the time being.

## Discussion

The lepidopteran fauna of the Russian Altai Mts. is rather poorly known, and only some groups, e.g. Hesperioida, Papilionoidea, Noctuidae and a few others, were studied in detail (e.g. TSHIKOLOVETS et al. 2009, VOLYNKIN 2012). In comparison, small moths (Microlepidoptera) were studied only patchily, with exceptional revisionary works on Pterophoridae (USTJUZHANIN & KOVTUNOVICH 2007, 2008, 2017). So far, only a few publications have been devoted to the family Gelechiidae and their results have been summarized in the checklist of Russian Lepidoptera (PONOMARENKO 2008); however, without faunistic data. Therefore this is the first complex faunistic study of this group taking into account all available information. One of the most important papers dealing with lepidopteran fauna of the Ukok plateau in the south-eastern part of the Altai Mts. covers 17 species of Gelechiidae but no species of the genus *Caryocolum* (BIDZILYA et al. 2002). On the other hand, several species of the latter genus were published from the Altai by BIDZILYA (2002) and later by HUEMER et al. (2017). According to these studies, the genus *Caryocolum* seems to be well explored in the Russian Altai, although discovery of additional new species cannot be excluded. In comparison, other gelechiid genera in the Altai Mts. and in the adjacent regions appear to be much less investigated, and very likely many new species will be discovered in the future.

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