

A Nomenclatorial Note on *Pardosa albatula* (Roewer, 1951)

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Roewer (1951) proposed the new name *Lycosa albatula* for *Lycosa albata* L. Koch, 1870; in 1954 he transferred it to *Pardosops*. Bonnet (1958, p. 3350) listed *Lycosa albata* L. Koch in *Pardosa* and overlooked the homonymy (see Bonnet, 1957, p. 2632). In most papers after Bonnet, for example Tongiorgi (1966) and Deltshv & Blagoev (1995), the name *Pardosa albata* (L. Koch) has been used. We have checked the original literature and can confirm that Roewer (1951) and Platnick (1993) are correct: *Lycosa albata* L. Koch, 1870 is a primary homonym of *Lycosa albata* Nicolet, 1849.

Lycosa albata Nicolet is of Chilean origin. Roewer (1954) considered the description as unusable and regarded the species as 'incertae sedis' (we concur). *Lycosa albata* L. Koch (i.e. *Pardosa albatula* (Roewer)) was described from the Tatra and the Carpathian Mountains. This species has been recorded from mountainous areas in central and south-eastern Europe and probably in Siberia. One of us (P. W.) has found numerous specimens in northern Greece at altitudes above 1,500 m asl.

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