

**Salticidae (Araneae) of Oriental,
Australian and Pacific Regions, IV.
Genus *Ocrisiona* Simon, 1901**

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ABSTRACT. The spider genus *Ocrisiona* Simon is revised. Eight species are diagnosed, described and illustrated, five new ones are established: *O. eucalypti*, *O. koahi*, *O. parmeliae*, *O. victoriae* and *O. yakatunya*. Four species, *O. aerata* (L. Koch), *O. elegans* (L. Koch), *O. frenata* Simon and *O. parallelistriata* (L. Koch), are excluded as not related, three additional ones, *O. complanata* (L. Koch), *O. fusca* (Karasch) and *O. invenusta* (L. Koch), are transferred to *Holoplatys*. The genus is redefined and its relationships are discussed. Remarks on biology are presented, maps of distribution and key to the species are given. Geographical distribution of *Ocrisiona* is limited to Australia and adjacent areas; *O. leucocomis* (L. Koch) and *O. melanopyga* Simon are mainland species also recorded from Tasmania, and *O. melancholica* (L. Koch) is also known from Lord Howe Island.

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Since its original description the taxonomy of *Ocrisiona* has not been studied. One species was illustrated by Prószyński (1984) but without any further comments. The synonymisation of the genus with *Holoplatys* (Prószyński, 1987) was premature. Simon (1901a) provided the first clear diagnosis of the genus based upon morphological criteria, but even his taxonomic decisions were partly wrong. From among 12 species of *Ocrisiona* listed by Bonnet (1958) three of Koch's species — *O. aerata*, *O. elegans* and *O. parallelistriata* — and *O. frenata* Simon (1901b) should be excluded as they represent other taxa. The type specimens

of *O. cinerea* and *O. liturata* cannot be found but their original descriptions suggest that both should be transferred to *Holoplatys*, as well as *O. complanata*, *O. fusca* and *O. invenusta*.

Material and Methods

The work is based on type specimens listed by Prószyński (1971) and on new material deposited in the