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**BREVENNIA REHI (LINDINGER) A POTENTIAL PEST OF RICE IN THE  
U. S. (HOMOPTERA: COCCOIDEA: PSEUDOCOCCIDAE)**

During the preparation of a revision of the mealybug genus *Heterococcus* Ferris, it has become apparent that *H. tuttlei* Miller and McKenzie (1970, Ann. Entomol. Soc. Amer. 63:438-453) should be treated as a junior synonym of *H. rehi* Lindinger (1943, Arb. Morph. Taxon. Entomol. 10:145-152) (NEW SYNONYMY). Furthermore, it is evident that *rehi* should be transferred to *Brevennia* Goux, the name becoming *Brevennia rehi* (Lindinger) (NEW COMBINATION).

It is important that this information be made available as soon as possible because *B. rehi* has been known only from Bangladesh, Burma, India, Java, Nepal, and Pakistan (Williams 1970, Bull. Entomol. Res. 60:109-188) where it is sometimes considered a pest of rice (Banerjee 1956, Proc. Zool. Soc. Calcutta 9:65-84; Trehan and Pringle 1946, Jour. Bombay Nat. Hist. Soc. 46:139-153). In the U.S., *B. rehi* has been reported as *H. tuttlei* from Yuma, Arizona, and Bard and El Centro, California (Miller and McKenzie 1970, Ann. Entomol. Soc. Amer. 63:438-453). In these areas it is a pest of Bermuda grass, *Cynodon dactylon*, grown for seed. An additional infestation has been found at Pompano Beach, Florida on the same host. If *B. rehi* were introduced into the rice growing areas of the U.S., it might also become a pest of that host.

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