

An Annotated Checklist of the *Anopheles* of Guyana, South America
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ABSTRACT. Twenty-two species of Anopheline mosquitoes are confirmed as occurring in Guyana. In addition, data is presented on several subgenera.

INTRODUCTION

An annotated checklist of the *Anopheles* found in Guyana is presented. It represents an up-date on the reports of Bruce et al., (1943), Stage & Giglioli (1948) and Giglioli (1948). Giglioli (1948) noted that 16 species of *Anopheles* were confirmed records and a number of others were reported as uncertain. In this checklist, 22 species are now confirmed as occurring in Guyana. In addition to the records based on the author's observations, data are included from the following: Subgenus *Nyssorhynchus* of *Anopheles* - *Albimanus* Section (Faran 1980); *Argyritarsis* Section (Linthicum, thesis 1978); Subgenus *Kerteszia* (Zavortink 1973); Knight & Stone (1977); Giglioli (1948); Komp (1942) and Kuyp (1950).

In Guyana, the subgenus *Nyssorhynchus* is presently considered the only medically important group of *Anopheles*. Faran & Linthicum (1981) treated the *Albimanus* and *Argyritarsis* sections of this subgenus. With the exception of *An. albimanus* Wiedemann, 1820, the entire subgenus is restricted to the Neotropical Region. *Anopheles albimanus* is not found in Guyana. Detailed accounts of these two sections were given by Faran (1980), Faran & Linthicum (1981) and Linthicum (Thesis 1978).

Anopheles darlingi Root, 1926, of the *Argyritarsis* section of the subgenus *Nyssorhynchus* is considered the most important anopheline in Guyana, being the primary, if not the only vector of human malaria. Also, it has been considered by Davis (1931), Causey, Deane et al., (1945) and Giglioli (1948) to be a possible vector of *Wuchereria bancrofti* (Cobbold), 1877, the causative organism of human filariasis in Brazil and Guyana. From our experience in Guyana, *An. darlingi* is always found where indigenous malaria is present. However, where there is no indigenous malaria, *darlingi* is rare, or not present. Further, we strongly support the observations of Horsfall (1955) that *darlingi* is, "The most satisfactory component in the insect portion of the reservoir for human plasmodia in the Neotropica." Also, we believe, as Foote & Cooke (1959) stated, "Malaria would become a relatively unimportant disease in South America with the disappearance of *darlingi* ." In Guyana, this has been clearly demonstrated in the coastal areas where *An. darlingi* was eradicated by 1951. These areas have

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since remained free of this anopheline and also of indigenous malaria despite the local importation of a large number of malaria cases.

Of the *Albimanus* Section, i.e., *An. aquasalis* Curry, 1926, was considered as a secondary vector of human malaria in Guyana (Giglioli 1948). However, careful scrutiny of the data does not offer any conclusive proof of its role as a vector of malaria. Rambajan (1984a) suggested that this mosquito may not be considered even a secondary vector of malaria in Guyana. Of all the other *Anopheles* recorded from Guyana, only *An. bellator* of the subgenus *Kerteszia* was considered a vector of malaria by Charles (1959). That report presented an isolated incident at Koriabo, Upper Barima River, North West Region and the evidence advanced was circumstantial and unconvincing.

It is important to note that *An. albitalis* Lynch Arribalzaga, 1878 of the *Albimanus* Section, previously reported from Guyana, is now considered by Faran & Linthicum (1980) as, "apparently restricted to the southern most temperate region of South America." This *Anopheles* is now reported as being identified as *An. allopha* Peryassui, 1921 or *An. brasiliensis* (Chagas, 1907) from Guyana, Rambajan (1984b) reported on the distribution of both these *Anopheles*. Recently, however, Oliviera and Deane (1984) questioned the availability of the name *allopha*.

Literature consulted for the taxonomic determination of species are as follows: Subgenus *Nyssorhynchus* - Faran (1980), Faran & Linthicum (1981) and Linthicum (Thesis, 1978); Subgenus *Kerteszia* - Zavortink (1973); and general taxonomic references; Gorham et al, (1973), Stojanovich et al, (1966), Shannon (1933), Root (1926), Komp (1942), Kuyp (1950). Many of the species were confirmed by Drs. M. E. Faran & B. A. Harrison, successive Managers, Walter Reed Biosystematics Unit at the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution.

A summary of the species found by genus and subgenus follows:

Genus:	<i>Anopheles</i>
Subgenus:	<i>Anopheles</i> - Seven (7) - <i>mediopunctatus</i> , <i>intermedius</i> , <i>peryassui</i> , <i>mattogrossensis</i> , <i>shannoni</i> , <i>apicimacula</i> , <i>punctimacula</i> .
	<i>Kerteszia</i> - Two (2) - <i>bellator</i> , <i>neivai</i> .
	<i>Nyssorhynchus</i> - Eleven (11) - <i>aquasalis</i> , <i>triannulatus</i> , <i>strodei</i> , <i>nuneztovari</i> , <i>darlingi</i> , <i>oswaldoi</i> , <i>allopha</i> , <i>braziliensis</i> , <i>evansae</i> , <i>argyritarsis</i> , <i>rangeli</i> .
	<i>Stethomyia</i> - One (1) - <i>nimbus</i> .
	<i>Chagasia</i> - One (1) - <i>fajardi</i> .

The map of Guyana given in Figure 1 shows the 10 Administrative Regions from which the actual locality of capture and distribution can be traced to a detailed map with the aid of the Gazetteer of Guyana, 1974.

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div.	Recorded
		Reg.	Sub-Reg. by
<i>An. (Ano.) mediopunctatus</i> (Theobald), 1903	Widely distributed throughout the forest district of the interior. Occasionally in the bush covered localities near the Coast-Upper Barbice River Savannah; Giglioli, 1943.		Giglioli (1948)
	Barima/: Barima R. - Red Hill	I	I
	Waini: Aruka R. - Arukamai	I	I
	: Waini R. - Baramanni, Warapoka, Large Kunaballi	I	Rambajan (1981)
	: Moruca R. - Cart Market Id., Kumaka	II	Rambajan (1982)
	Upper Demerara/: Siberia Berbice	X	Rambajan (1985)
<i>An. (Ano.) intermedius</i> (Peryassu), 1908	Upper Demerara/: Timehri, Linden Berbice	X	Bruce et al (1943)
	Upper Takutu/: Rupununi-Locality &	IX	Bruce et al (1943)
	Upper Esseq.district not specified.	?	
	Upper Demerara/: West Watooka, Old Berbice England, Siberia.	X	Rambajan (1984)
	East Berbice/: Corentyne R.-White Corentyne Hall, Siparuta.	VI	Rambajan (1983)
	Essequibo Id./: Leguan. West Demerara	6	
		I	Rambajan (1984)
		III	

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div.	Recorded	
		Reg.	Sub-Reg. by	
<i>An. (Ano.) pervassui</i> Dyar & Knab, 1908	Upper Demerara/: Timehri, Linden Berbice Upper Takutu/: Rupununi-Locality & Upper Esseq. district not specified. Upper Demerara/: West Watooka, Old Berbice England, Siberia. East Berbice/: Corentyne R.-Orealla, Corentyne Siparuta. Upper Takutu/: Rupununi West-Letham, Upper Esseq. Tabatinga, Moco-Moco, Nappi, Yupukari. Barima/: Moruca R. - Cart Market Waini Id., Ko-Ko, St. Peter & Santa Rosa Missions, : Manawarin R.-Cementery Pt., Waramuri Id., Shipara. Demerara/: Lama R.-M.B.Nathan, 1985 Mahaica	X IX X VI IX II V	I ? I 6 I I 2	Bruce et (1943) Bruce et (1943) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982-83) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982)
<i>An. (Ano.) mattogrossensis</i> Lutz & Neiva, 1911	Upper Takutu/: Rupununi West - Upper Esseq. Yupukari & Karanambo; Jardine, 1943. : Rupununi West - Karanambo	IX IX	I I	Giglioli (1948) Rambajan (1981)
<i>An. (Ano.) shannoni</i> Davis, 1931	Upper Demerara/: Linden; Jardine, 1946 Berbice Barima/: Moruca R.-Cart Market Id., Waini Ko-Ko, Wallaba, Kumaka, Santa Rosa Mission. : Manawarin R. - Kyre I & II, Tiger Bay, Shipara.	X II II	I I I	Giglioli (1948) Rambajan (1981-82) Rambajan (1981-82)
<i>An. (Ano.) apicimacula</i> Dyar & Knab, 1906	Upper Demerara/: Old England, Berbice Siberia. East Berbice/: Corentyne R.-Orealla Corentyne Siparuta.	X VI	I 6	Rambajan (1982-84) Rambajan (1982)

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div. Reg.	Recorded Sub-Reg. by
<i>An. (Ano.) punctimacula</i> Dyar & Knab, 1906	Upper Demerara/: Old England, Berbice Siberia. East Berbice/: Corentyne R.-Orealla Corentyne Siparuta.	X VI	I 6
			Rambajan (1982-84) Rambajan (1982)
<i>An. (Ker.) neivai</i> Howard, Dyar & Knab, 1912 (1913)	Cuyuni/: Locality & district not specified Mazaruni Potaro/: Locality & district not specified Sipuruni L. D. Cleara, 1910 Barima/: Moruca R. - Cart Market Id., Ko-Ko. Waini: Manawarin R.-St. Nicholas, Cementary Pt., Kyre I & II, Tiger Bay. Region, locality & district not specified	VII VIII II II II	? ? I I ?
			Giglioli (1948) Giglioli (1948) Rambajan (1981-82) Rambajan (1981-82) Knight & Stone (1977)
<i>An. (Ker.) bellator</i> Dyar & Knab, 1906	Mahaica/: St. Culbert Mission, Berbice R. Hansell, 1967. Upper Demerara/: West Watooka, Berbice Old England, Siberia. Barima/: Barima R.-Ite Landing, Waini High Hill, Koriabo, Savannah, 1 mile, 3 miles : Aruka R.-Arukamai. : Waini R.-Kwabanna, Santa Cruz. : Moruca R.-Ko-Ko. : Manawarin R.-Waramuri, Cementary Pt., Kyre I & II, Shipara. : Barima R.-Koriabo; G.C.Low, 1901	X I I I II II	II I I 2 I I I
			Zavortink (1973) Rambajan (1981-82) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982) Zavortink (1973)

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div.	Recorded
		Reg.	Sub-Reg. by
<i>An. (Ker.) bellator</i>	Potaro/: Kaiteur Plateau, W. Adams 1959.	VIII	I Zavortink (1973)
Dyar & Knab, 1906	Sipuruni: Potaro, L. D. Cleare, 1910	VIII	? Zavortink (1973)
(continued)	Barima/: Waini R.-Locality & district Waini not specified I ? Charles : Kaituma R.-Locality & district not specified I ? Charles : Aruca R.-Locality & district not specified I ? Charles Upper Demerara/: Right Bank Essequibo Berbice R.-Rockstone X I Charles (1959)		
	Potaro/: Potaro R.-Upper Reaches, Sipurunu Locality & district not specified VIII ? Charles : Kaieteur escarpment VIII ? Charles (1959)		
<i>An. (Nys.) allopha</i> (Peryassu), 1921	Upper Takutu/: Rupununi-Widespread Upper Essequibo IX I Rambajan (1981-84) Demerara/: Widespread IV I Rambajan (1981-85) Mahaica Mahaica/: Widespread Rambajan Borbice East Berbice/: Widespread V 2 Rambajan (1981-85) Corentyne Upper Demerara/: Siberia VI I-4 Rambajan (1981-85) Old England, West Watooka, Berbice X I Rambajan (1981-85) Essequibo/: Leguan, Wakenaam Rambajan West Demerara III I (1984) East Berbice/: No.63 Village, VI 3 Linthicum Corentyne J. Aiken, 1962. (Thesis, 1978) Demerara/: G/Town, 1942. IV I Do Mahaica G/Town; Sept., 1945. Do G/Town; Sept., 1945. Do Region, locality & district not specified L. Rozeboom, Sept., 1945, Giglioli, 1936, G. Bevier, 1940. ? ? Do		

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div. Reg.	Recorded Sub-Reg. by	
<i>An. (Nys.) braziliensis (Chagas), 1907</i>	Upper Takutu/: Rupununi-Widespread Upper Essequibo Demerara/: Widespread Mahaica Mahaica/: Widespread Berbice East Berbice/: Widespread Corentyne Upper Demerara/: West Watooka, Old Berbice England, Siberia. Mahaica/: Rosignol Berbice Upper Takutu/: North Rupununi - Upper Esseq. Locality & district not specified.	IX IV V VI X	I I 2 I-4 I 2 IX	Rambajan (1981-84) Rambajan (1981-85) Rambajan (1981-85) Rambajan (1981-85) Rambajan (1981-85) Linthicum (Thesis, 1978) Do
<i>An. (Nys.) evansae (Brethes), 1926</i>	Region, locality & district not specified Upper Takutu/: Moco-Moco, Tabatinga, Upper Esseq. Yupukari.	?	?	Knight & Stone (1977) Rambajan (1981)
<i>An. (Nys.) arqvritarsis Robineau- Desvoidy, 1827</i>	Upper Takutu/: Rupununi Savannahs Upper Esseq. : Rupununi West-Ambrose & Yupukari. Barima/Waini: Manawarin R.-Waramuri Id. Upper Demerara/: Hyde Park, Mahaicony, Berbice July, 1941.	IX IX II V	? I I 2	Bruce et al (1943) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1982) Linthicum (Thesis, 1978)

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div.	Recorded
		Reg.	Sub-Reg. by
<i>An. (Ste.) nimbus</i> (Theobald), 1902	Throughout forest district: Demerara, Mazaruni, Potaro: Giglioli, 1943 Barima/: Moruca R. - Cart Market Id., Waini Ko-Ko, St. Peter Mission, Santa Rosa Mission. : Waini R.-Little Troolie Cr. Region, locality & district not specified.	? II I ?	Giglioli (1948) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982) Knight & Stone (1977)
<i>An. (Nys.) aquasalis</i> Curry, 1932	East Berbice/: New Amsterdam; Corentyne E. Rowland 1900 : New Amsterdam; J. Aiken, 1900 : Locality & district not specified; W. Komp, 1936. Demerara/: G/Town; W. Beveridge, 1931 Mahaica : G/Town; E. Rowland, 1941 Mahaica/: Hyde Park, Mahaicony; E. Berbice Rowland, 1941. Barima/: Locality & district not specified; E. Rowland, 1941. Region, locality & district not specified; 1941. Region, locality & district not specified; Fox, 1941. Region, locality & district not specified; Giglioli, no date coastlands & lower estuaries in open grasslands & savannahs; Giglioli, 1944. Barima/: Barima R.-I mile. Waini Demerara/: Turkeyen, Plaisance, Mahaica Beterverwagting, Buxton, Enmore, Belfield, Clonbrook, Mahaica.	VI VI VI IV V I ? ? ? ? ? ? ? IV	Faran (1980) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1981-85)

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	Reg.	Sub-Reg.	by	
<i>An. (Nys.) aquasalis</i> Curry, 1932 (continued)	Mahaica/: Mahaicony, Abary, Berbice Belladrum, Litchfield, Fort Wellington, Rosignol. East Berbice/: New Amsterdam Corentyne : Albion, Rosehall, Whim. : Eversham, No. 67, S/Lands. : Crabwood Creek Upper Demerara/: West Watooka, Old Berbice England, Siberia. Pomeroon/: Charity, Marlborough, Supernaam Somerset & Berks, Better Hope, Dartmouth, Hampton Court, Danielstown, Anna Regina, Queenstown, Suddie. Essequibo/: Leguan, Wakanaam, West Demerara Manaka.	V VI VI VI X	2 I 2 3 4 I	Rambajan (1981-85) Rambajan (1981-85) Rambajan (1981-85) Rambajan (1981-84) Rambajan (1984)
<i>An. (Nys.) rangeli</i> Gabaldon, Cove Garcia & Lopez, 1940	Upper Demerara/: Linden; Jardine, Berbice 1946 Upper Takutu/: Rupununi West-Yupukari, Upper Essequibo Demerara/Mahaica: Turkeyen.			Giglioli (1948) Rambajan (1981-83) Rambajan (1985)
<i>An. (Nys.) triannulatus</i> (Neiva & Pinto), 1922	East Berbice/: New Amsterdam; Corentyne July, 1936 East Demerara/: G/Town; Sept., 1945 Mahaica G/Town; Oct., 1945 G/Town; Oct., 1945 G/Town; W. Beveridge, no date Mahaica/: Hyde Park; Mahaicony; Borbice July, 1941 Upper Demerara/: Linden; Sept., 1945 Borbice	VI IV V X	I I 2 I	Faran (1980) Faran (1980) Faran (1980) Faran (1980)

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div. Reg.	Recorded Sub-Reg.	by
<i>An. (Nys.) triannulatus</i> (Neiva & Pinto), 1922 (continued)	Region, locality & district not specified; G. Bevier, 1940. Linden/: Not common on the seacoast Upper frontlands; G. Giglioli, Berbice 1939 River & Rupununi Barima/: Barima R.-Ete Landing. Waini Pomeroon/: Charity Supernaam Demerara/: Turkeyen, Plaisance, Mahaica Beterverwagting, Buxton, Enmore, Belfield, Clonbrook, Mahaica. Upper Takutu/: Rupununi West-Ambrose, Upper Esseq. Moco-Moco, Yupukari. Upper Demerara/: Old England, Siberia. Borbice Cuyuni/: Mazaruni, left bank Mazaruni Essequibo R.- Bartica	? I II IV IX X VII	? I I I I I 2	Faran (1980) Giglioli (1948) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1981-85) Rambajan (1981-84) Rambajan (1984) Rambajan (1984)
<i>An. (Nys.) strodei</i> Root, 1926	Upper Takutu/: Rupununi Savannahs, Upper Essequibo Giglioli, 1943 : Rupununi West-Yupukari.	IX IX	? I	Giglioli (1943) Rambajan (1981)
<i>An. (Nys.) nuneztovari</i> Gabaldon, 1940	Upper Demerara/: Linden; Jardine, Borbice 1946 East Berbice/: Corentyne R.-Matawie & Corentyne Marebunta. : Corentyne R.-Orealla Siparuta. : Corentyne R.-Orealla, White Hall & Siparuta. Upper Takutu/: Rupununi West-Yupukari. Upper Essequibo Demerara/: Turkeyen. Mahaica	X VI VI VI IX IV	I 6 6 6 I I	Giglioli (1948) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1984) Rambajan (1982-83) Rambajan (1983)

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div. Reg.	Recorded Sub-Reg.	Recorded by
<i>An. (Nys.) nuneztovari</i> Gabaldon, 1940 (continued)	East Berbice/: Eversham, No. 67. Corentyne : Crabwood Creek Upper Demerara/: Kwakwani; Giglioli, Berbice 1942. : Kwakwani; Giglioli, 1943. Upper Demerara/: Linden Berbice Region, locality & district not specified	VI VI X X X ?	3 4 2 2 I ?	Rambajan (1984) Rambajan (1984) Faran (1980) Faran (1980) Faran (1980) Faran (1980)
<i>An. (Nys.) darlingi</i> Root, 1926	Widespread: Giglioli, 1943 Upper Takutu/: Rupununi-Widespread. Upper Esseq. East Berbice/: Corentyne R.-Matawie & Corentyne Marebunta. : Corentyne R.-White Hall & Siparuta. Upper Demerara/: Siberia. Berbice : Itabru. Barima/: Barima R.-Ete Landing, Waini Koriabo, Savannah, 1 Mile, 3 Miles : Waini R.-Little Troolie Creek. : Manawarin R.-Shipara. Cuyuni/: Kamaira Top-Matope. Mazaruni East Berbice/: New Amsterdam; Aiken; Corentyne no date.	IX IX VI VI X X I I II VII VI	? ? 6 6 I I I I I I 2 I I	Giglioli (1948) Rambajan (1981-83) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1984) Rambajan (1981) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1982) Rambajan (1983) Linthicum (Thesis, 1978)

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div. Reg.	Div. Sub-Reg.	Recorded by
<i>An. Nys.)</i> <i>darlingi</i> Root, 1926 (continued)	Demerara/: G/Town; Nov., 1942. Mahaica G/Town; 1945 G/Town; 1945 G/Town; 1945 G/Town; Sept., 1945 G/Town; Oct., 1945 G/Town; 1945 Lusignan; Sept., 1945.			Linthicum (Thesis, 1978)
	Siparuni/: Omai; K. Wise, no date. Potaro	IV	I	Linthicum (Thesis 1978)
	Region, locality & district not specified; G. Bevier, 1939, 1940; G. Giglioli, July 1941.	VII	I	Linthicum (Thesis 1978)
			?	?
<i>An. (Nys.)</i> <i>oswaldoi</i> (Peryassu), 1922	East Berbice/: Berbice estuary Corentyne : Berbice Savannah	V	?	Giglioli (1948)
	Potaro/: Potaro districts	V	2	Giglioli (1948)
	Siparuni	VIII	?	Giglioli (1948)
	Cuyuni/: Lower Mazaruni	VII	2	Giglioli (1948)
	Mazaruni	IX	?	Giglioli (1948)
	Upper Takuta/: Rupununi Savannahs	X	I	Rambajan (1983-84)
	Upper Esseq.			Rambajan (1982)
	Upper Demerara/: Siberia.			Rambajan (1982)
	Berbice			Rambajan (1982)
	East Berbice/: Corentyne R.-Orealla &			Rambajan (1982)
	Corentyne Siparuta.	VI	6	Rambajan (1982)
	Barima/: Moruca R.-Kumaka.			Rambajan (1982)
	Waini : Manawarin R.-Waramuri Id.	II	I	Rambajan (1982)
	Upper Takutu/: Rupununi West-Moco-Moco,			Rambajan (1981-83)
	Upper Esseq. Yupukari.	IX	I	Faran (1980)
	Upper Demerara/: Linden; Giglioli, Borbice 1945	X	I	Faran (1980)
	: Linden; Giglioli, 1945	X	I	Faran (1980)

Species	Locality of capture, distribution and collector where indicated.	Admin. Div.	Recorded
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<i>Chagasia fajardi</i> (Lutz), 1940	Siparuni/: North Fork, Konawaruk, Potaro Region, locality & district not specified.	VIII ?	Giglioli (1948) Knight & Stone (1977)

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