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GENERAL NOTES

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Busck (1900) described *Aproaerema crotolariella* from specimens reared from *Crotalaria pumila* Ortega, but he misspelled the generic name of the host as “*Crotalaria*.” Dyar (1901) changed the spelling to *A. crotolariella*, and this name has been used in other checklists with different generic combinations, *Stomopteryx crotolariella* (McDunnough, 1938) and *Syncopacma crotolariella* (Hodges, 1983; Lee et al., 2009). The International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, ICZN (1999) states that the original spelling of a name is the “correct original spelling” (Art. 32.2) unless it qualifies as an incorrect original spelling due to an inadvertent error, such as a *lapsus calami* or printer’s error (Art. 32.5). The name *crotolariella*, even though based on the misspelled name of the host genus, is the correct original spelling that Busck used in his text (pg. 226) and explanation of plate 1 (pg. 254). Therefore, it is restored here as the valid name. The subsequent misspelling by Dyar (1903) is an unjustified emendation (Art. 33.2).

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