

The species of *Perkinsiella* introduced into Florida is the genuine *P. saccharicida* Kirkaldy (Homoptera: Delphacidae)

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The species of *Perkinsiella* introduced into Florida has been examined. It proves to be the genuine *P. saccharicida* Kirkaldy.

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Two species of *Perkinsiella* injurious to sugar cane have been mixed under the name *P. saccharicida* (see Emeljanov, 1987): *P. saccharicida* Kirkaldy, 1903 and *P. miriamae* Emeljanov, 1987. Therefore records of *P. saccharicida* before 1987 need to be checked. Through the kindness of Th.J. Henry and assistance of I.M. Kerzhner I have studied specimens of *Perkinsiella* from Florida deposited in the U.S. National Museum, Washington, D.C. which

proves to be the genuine *P. saccharicida* Kirkaldy.

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