Ochyroceratidae (Fageicera-Ochyrocera-Speocera-Theotima)

- -Small spiders (1-1.8mm), six small eyes (differ from Pholcidae, Oonopi dae by the position of the eyes).
- -Found in litter, under rocks, in cave.
- -Females often carry their eggs in their chelicerae

Fageicera Dumitrescu & Georgescu, 1992 (endemic to Cuba)

-Small (1.2-1.8mm), six eyes, carapace light yellow, sometimes with faint pattern, abdomen testaceous, long legs. Under rock, in litter, in cave. -Male carapace with tubercle, larger than female, palpal tarsus with point-ed aphophysis. Some species with large prong on chelicerae -Female (known only for *F. cubana*) with simple spermathecae, no carapace modifications.









Ochyrocera Simon 1891 (Mexico, Guatemale, Cuba, St. Vincent,

Lesser Antilles, Venezuela, Brazil, Peru)

-Small (1.2-1.8mm), six eyes, carapace with pattern (often purple), abdomen purplish with chervons pattern, legs long, purple. Found under rock, in litter, in cave.

-Male carapace **without** tubercle, palpal tarsus **with pointed aphophysis** or with **pointed tip**. Some species with prong on chelicerae.

-Female same size and coloration as male.



Speocera Berland 1914 (Old world, Mexico, Cuba, Brazil, Galapagos)

- Very small (1.00mm), six eyes, carapace light yellow, abdomen light yellow-orange, legs short. Found in litter.

-Male carapace **without** tubercle, palpal tarsus **without** aphophysis. -Female sometimes with elongated sclerified ridge









Theotima Simon 1893 (Old world, Mexico, Panama, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Brazil, Galapagos)

Very small (1.05mm), six eyes, carapace yellowish, with or without pattern, abdomen light yellow to pink-grayish, short legs. Found in litter.
Male carapace without tubercle, palpal tibia with aphophysis.
Female with raised epigastric "region", without elongated sclerified ridge. (According to Deeleman 1995, cannot be distinguish from *Speocera* with certainty).

Theotima minitussima



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