

Bibliography of *Apis andreniformis* Smith, 1858*

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Commentary – This bibliography of the literature on *A. andreniformis* was compiled from 122 references, written by 59 authors and published in 48 different periodicals, conference proceedings, theses, reports and books covering the period 1865–1 August 2008. The literature is entirely confined to basic biology. Of an estimated 4000 publications on Asian *Apis*, that of *A. andreniformis* constitutes only 3%. That over 98% of all publications on this species have appeared over the past 25 years attests to a growing interest in *A. andreniformis*. Accessing this small literature is facilitated by their capture on the website Google Scholar[®]. Virtually all of them are in English. Given the widespread occurrence of absconding and migration in *A. andreniformis*, it is perhaps surprising that these phenomena have not been investigated more intensively. It is difficult to draw many conclusions about human demography and publications on *A. andreniformis*, but numerically, the literature is derived mainly from studies in Thailand and China and in western institutions. The bibliography was prepared by obtaining all references to Asian honeybees published in Apicultural Abstracts (1950–2005) and Zoological Record (1864–2003). Subsequently, copies of the original publications were obtained and the references cited in these works were traced in continuous iterations into the past until no new references were found. Each reference was entered in a computer database and keywords for subject matter and countries for all publications were noted. On completion of the database the original 254 keywords were compressed into 36 more inclusive keyword categories.

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Keyword list: *andreniformis*, Asia, bee botany, brood, *cerana*, combs, dance language, disease, distribution, diversity, *dorsata*, ecology, *florea*, foraging, history, honey, *koschevnikovi*, *laboriosa*, *mellifera*, mites, morphology, natural enemies, *nigrocincta*, *nuluensis*, parasites, pests, Philippines, phylogeny, polyandry, populations, reproduction, reproductive isolation, selection, taxonomy, Thailand, wax.

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