Order **Palpigradi** Thorell, 1888 (1 superfamily)\(^1\)\(^2\)\(^3\)

Superfamily **Eukoenenioida** Petrunkevitch, 1955 (2 families)

Family **Eukoeneniidae** Petrunkevitch, 1955 (4 genera, 75 species)

Family **Prokoeneniidae** Condé, 1996 (2 genera, 7 species)

\(^\dagger\)**Incertae sedis** (1 genus, 1 species)

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\(^2\) The initial list of species was obtained from Harvey (2003) and updated using Hallan (2005) and Harvey (2011). Only valid species are included in the cited totals; *species inquirenda* and infraspecific taxa are excluded. Counts of fossil genera and species are preceded by †.

\(^3\) Family Sternarthronidae Haase, 1890, based on *Sternarthron zitteli* Haase, 1890, from the Jurassic of Germany, was excluded, following Harvey (2003). Although often assigned to Palpigradi (e.g. Savory, 1974; Hallan, 2005; GBIF, 2011), this taxon has also been placed in the insect order Phasmatodea Jacobson & Bianchi, 1902 (e.g. Handlirsch, 1906; Carpenter, 1992).