Order **Ricinulei** Thorell, 1876 (2 suborders)\(^1\,\,^{2}\)

Suborder **Neoricinulei** Selden, 1992 (1 superfamily)
  Superfamily **Ricinoidoidea** Ewing, 1929 (1 family)
    Family **Ricinoididae** Ewing, 1929 (3 genera, 58 species)

†Suborder **Palaeoricinulei** Selden, 1992 (1 superfamily)
  Superfamily **Curculioidoidea** Cockerell, 1916 (2 families)
    Family **Curculioididae** Cockerell, 1916 (2 genera, 11 species)
    Family **Poliocheridae** Scudder, 1884 (2 genera, 4 species)\(^3\)

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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. *Poliochera pustulatus* Laurentiaux-Vieira & Laurentiaux, 1963 was excluded, as it may not be a ricinuleid (Selden, 1992).