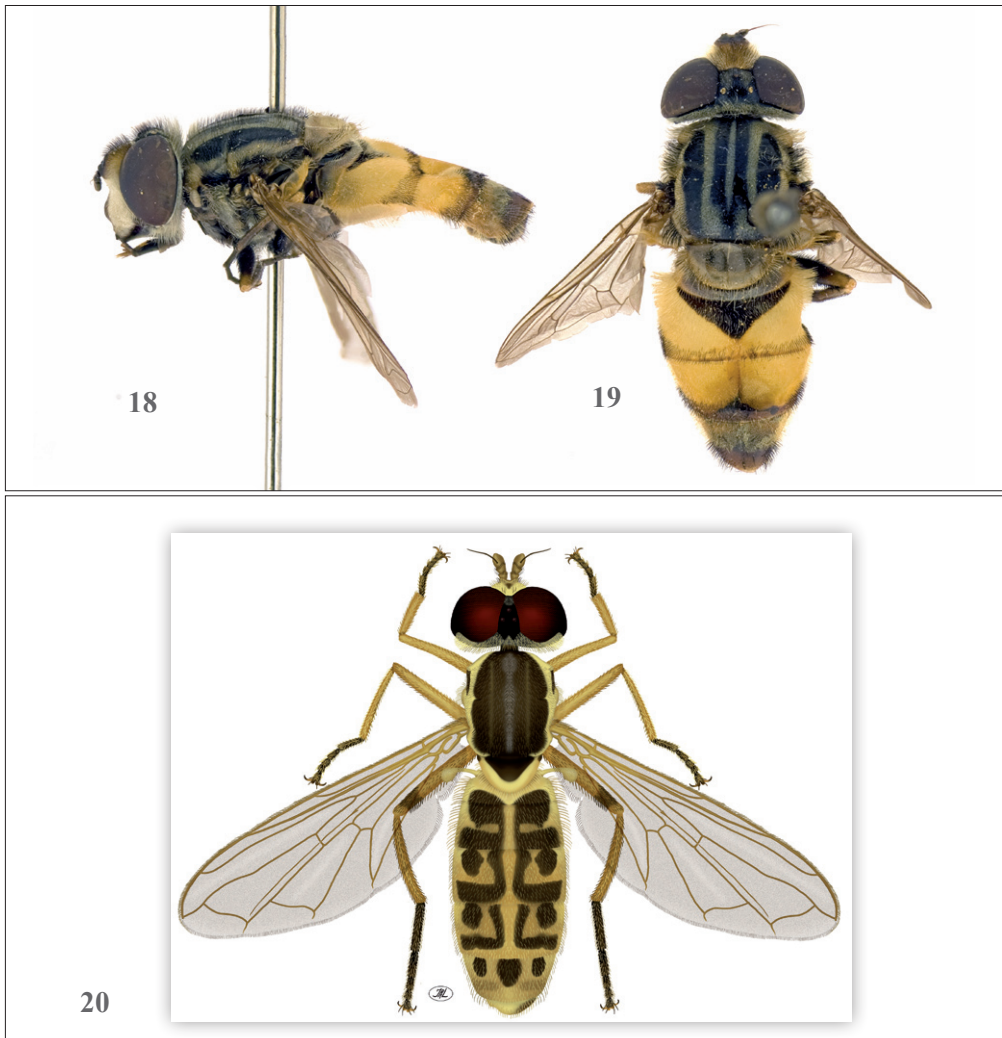


**Selected species described by F. Christian THOMPSON. VI. Ximo MENGUAL**

Besides being the topic of his PhD dissertation, Chris devoted a lot of time to study the hover flies of the Neotropical Region. In his 1999 masterpiece, together with a key to Neotropical genera, Chris described a new genus and a new species from Peru, *Ohmyia omya* THOMPSON, 1999. Both names, the genus name and species epithet, are derived from the colloquial expression “Oh, my”.

For many of his field expeditions, Chris had the company of his wife Betty. Betty was an active collector in the field and she coauthored a few publications. Among them, Chris and Betty described together a new flower fly from Chile, *Toxomerus schlingeri* THOMPSON & THOMPSON, 2007. This species is unique within the genus by its distinctive abdominal pattern and dichoptic males and it was named after his friend Evert I. SCHLINGER, an eminent dipterist and the founder of the SCHLINGER Foundation dedicated to the study of entomology and arachnology. THOMPSONS' field work in Chile was supported by the SCHLINGER Foundation.



**Figs 18–20:** Selected species described by F. Christian THOMPSON. – **18, 19:** *Ohmyia omya* THOMPSON, 1999, holotype male; – **18:** Habitus, lateral view; – **19:** Habitus, dorsal view; – **20:** *Toxomerus schlingeri* THOMPSON & THOMPSON, 2007, habitus, dorsal view. Photos: X. MENGUAL, drawing by Taina LITWAK, from the original publication.