

JESÚS SANTIAGO MOURE

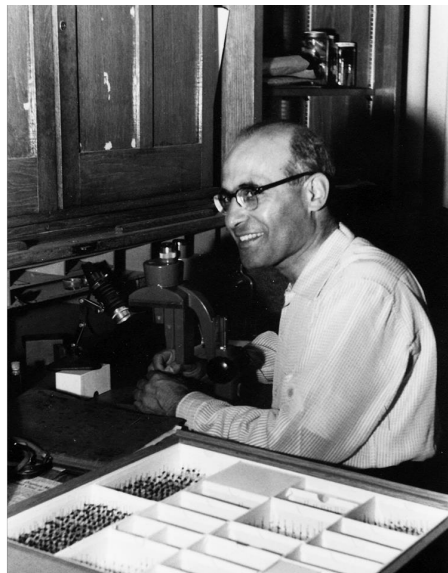
(1912 - 2010)

Fields: Taxonomy

Subject: Neotropical bees

Nationality: Brazilian

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From Engel et al. (2012)



Moure described and classified many bees, including halictids in the genus *Paroxystoglossa*; from Gonçalves, 2017; doi: 10.1016/j.rbe.2017.03.001

Father Moure was a renowned Brazilian melittologist who studied the taxonomy and systematics of South American bees. Born in Ribeirão Preto, São Paulo, Moure was both a priest and a scientist. He obtained degrees in philosophy and theology and entered a priesthood in the city of Curitiba, Paraná, where he later became a professor of Zoology at the Universidade Federal do Paraná (UFPR). Moure wrote over 220 articles describing the diversity of bees in the Neotropical region. With scientific colleagues, his research formed the basis for classifications used for several tribes and genera of Neotropical bees. He collaborated closely with Dr. Charles Michener at the University of Kansas. This partnership enabled Moure to visit many European museums, where he revised type specimens of several bee groups. From his travels, Moure compiled the "Catalogue of bees (Hymenoptera, Apoidea) in the Neotropical region" which includes more than 5000 species. He was instrumental to the development of the entomological collection of the UFPR, which was later named after him. The collection contains approximately 350,000 bees and over 5,000,000 pinned insects. Among his many distinctions, he was elected to the Brazilian Academy of Sciences and helped to develop the Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), the Brazilian Entomological (SBE) and Zoological (SBZ) societies, and many other Brazilian science and research institutions.

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