FAMILY THROSCIDAE
(Throscid beetles)

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This family includes about 30 North American species of which nine have been reported from Canada. The adults, which look like small, stout elaterids, are usually found on foliage and flowers. The larvae occur in litter, decaying wood and under bark.

Few authors agree on the position of the lissomines. Crownson (1961) included *Drapetes* in Elateridae and *Lissomus* in Throscidae; Burakowski (1975) elevated the group to family level; Lohse (1979) treated the lissomines as a subfamily of Eucnemidae; Lawrence (1982a) listed the group in the Elateridae. I have followed Yensen (1975) in considering the group as a distinct family. Yensen (1975) provided a key to the extant genera of the family and revised the genus *Trixagus*.

NT (2); BC (6); MB (1); ON (5); PQ (5); NB (2); NS (2); NF (1)

Subfamily LISSOMINAE

Genus DRAPETES Dejean

D. geminatus (Say)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	ON	PQ	-	-	-	-	-
americanus (Gerstaecker)															
basalis (Randall)															
exstriatus (Say)															

Subfamily THROSCINAE

Genus TRIXAGUS Kugelann

Throscus Latreille

Key to North American species: Yensen (1975)

T. carinicollis (Schaeffer)	-	-	-	BC	-	-	-	ON	PQ	NB	-	-	-	NF
T. chevrolati (Bonvouloir)	-	-	-	BC	-	-	-	ON	PQ	-	NS	-	-	-
parvulus (LeConte)															
sejunctus (Horn)															
T. mendax (Horn)	-	-	NT	BC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
T. sericeus (LeConte)	-	-	NT	BC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
debilis (Horn)															

Genus AULONOTHROSCUS Horn

A. constrictor (Say)	-	-	-	-	-	-	MB	ON	PQ	NB	NS	-	-	-
A. punctatus (Bonvouloir)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	ON	PQ	-	-	-	-	-
A. validus (LeConte)	-	-	-	BC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Genus PACTOPUS LeConte

P. horni (LeConte)	-	-	-	BC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
fuchsi Casey															