

## Family VERMILEONIDAE

The Vermileonidae, larvae of which are commonly known as worm lions, are known from four genera (one fossil; three extant). Adults of extant forms feed on nectar of flowers. Larvae form pits much like the myrmeleonid ant-lion larvae and lie in wait of prey, usually ants, to fall into the trap. There the prey are seized and their juices consumed by the worm lion larva.

In addition to the single described species from Baltic amber listed below, Kovalev *in* Kalugina & Kovalev (1985: 183) recorded undetermined material of this family from the Jurassic deposits of Kubekov, Siberia.

### Genus PROTOVERMILEO Hennig

**PROTOVERMILEO** Hennig, 1967*a*: 6. Type species: *Protovermileo electricus* Hennig, 1967, by monotypy.

**electricus** Hennig, 1967*a*: 26. PA: Baltic Region (Eocene/Oligocene) [A].