# Codes and Acronyms for Invertebrate collections

**General rules**

All the RMCA DaRWIN codes always start with two series of letters, "BE\_RMCA\_" corresponding to the country and the institute where the collection is hosted:

BE : country code (Belgium)

RMCA : institutional code (Royal Museum for Central Africa)

For the Invertebrate collection, it is then followed by two series of letters corresponding to the taxonomic ranks "PHYLUM.Class" or "CLASS.Order". They allow identifying the primary collection and their sub-collections. The acronym code is followed by the collection number containing 6 digits, explicitly identifying the specimen/sample within its (sub)collection.

So, the entire DaRWIN code is presented as "BE\_RMCA\_PHYLUM.Class.######" or "BE\_RMCA\_CLASS.Order.######".

If two taxonomic ranks lead to the same acronym code, the last letter (of the acronym code) can change to distinguish the two subcollections. Therefore, the first letter that differs in each taxonomic rank name is select. Example in the insect collection:

**Th**ysan**o**ptera  BE\_RMCA\_INS.**Tho**.######

**Th**ysan**u**ra  BE\_RMCA\_INS.**Thu**.######

Some examples of collection code (complete list below):

* BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Ara.131538 = ARACHNIDA: Araneae
* BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Sco.001023 = ARACHNIDA: Scorpiones
* BE\_RMCA\_MOL.Gas.804179 = MOLLUSCA: Gastropoda
* BE\_RMCA\_INS.Dip.000001 = INSECTA: Diptera
* BE\_RMCA\_MYR.Dip.022657 = MYRIAPODA: Diplopoda

For unidentified specimens/samples for which the higher rank (i.e. the collection) is not known, temporary acronym corresponding to the higher rank will be given rank (e.g. BE\_RMCA\_ARA.######, BE\_RMCA\_MOL.#######, …) until they are properly identified and then placed in their respective collection, without changing the collection number. Excepted for INSECTA, to avoid doubloons, as each subgroup has its own numbering.

# List of codes and Acronyms for Invertebrate collections

### ARACHNIDA: *(Class including 12 Orders artificially distributed in two separate collections)*

## Arachnomorphae *(collection, includes 9 Orders)*:

Amblypygi: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Amb.######

Araneae: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Ara.######

Opiliones: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Opn.######

Palpigradi: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Pal.######

Pseudoscorpiones: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Pse.######

Ricinulei: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Ric.######

Schizomida: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Sch.######

Scorpiones: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Sco.######

Solifugae: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Sol.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.######

## Acari *(collection, includes 3 Orders)*:

Acariformes: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Aca.######

Parasitiformes: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Par.######

Opilioacarida: BE\_RMCA\_ARA.Opa.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_ACA.######

### MYRIAPODA *(Phylum, includes 4 Classes)*

Chilopoda: BE\_RMCA\_MYR.Chi.######

Diplopoda: BE\_RMCA\_MYR.Dip.######

Pauropoda: BE\_RMCA\_MYR.Pau.######

Symphyla: BE\_RMCA\_MYR.Sym.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_MYR.######

### INSECTA *(Class, includes 21 Orders)*

Diptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Dip.######

Coleoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Col.######

Lepidoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Lep.######

Hymenoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Hym.######

Ephemeroptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Eph.######

Odonata: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Odo.######

Blattaria: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Bla.######

Dermaptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Der.######

Dictyoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Dic.######

Hemiptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Hem.######

Orthoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Ort.######

Phthiraptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Pht.######

Neuroptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Neu.######

Homoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Hom.######

Plecoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Ple.######

Trichoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Tri.######

Psocoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Pso.######

Siphonaptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Sip.######

Strepsiptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Str.######

Thysanoptera: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Tho.######

Thysanura: BE\_RMCA\_INS.Thu.######

### COLLEMBOLA *(Class, includes 4 Orders)*

Poduromorpha: BE\_RMCA\_COL.Pod.######

Entomobryomorpha: BE\_RMCA\_COL.Ent.######

Neelipleona: BE\_RMCA\_COL.Nee.######

Symphypleona: BE\_RMCA\_COL.Sym.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_COL.######

### DIPLURA *(Class, includes 2 Orders)*

Dicellurata: BE\_RMCA\_DIP.Dic.######

Rhabdura: BE\_RMCA\_DIP.Dic.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_DIP.######

### PROTURA *(Class, includes 3 Orders)*

Acerentomata: BE\_RMCA\_PRO.Ace.######

Eosentomata: BE\_RMCA\_PRO.Eos.######

Sinentomata: BE\_RMCA\_PRO.Sin.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_PRO.######

### CRUSTACEA *(Phylum, includes 7 Classes)*

Branchiopoda: BE\_RMCA\_CRU.Bra.######

Cephalocarida: BE\_RMCA\_CRU.Cep.######

Hexanauplia: BE\_RMCA\_CRU.Hex.######

Malacostraca: BE\_RMCA\_CRU.Mal.######

Maxillopoda: BE\_RMCA\_CRU.Max.######

Ostracoda: BE\_RMCA\_CRU.Ost.######

Remipedia: BE\_RMCA\_CRU.Rem.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_CRU.######

### CNIDARIA *(Phylum, includes 2 Classes)*

Anthozoa: BE\_RMCA\_CNI.Ant.######

Medusozoa: BE\_RMCA\_CNI.Med.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_CNI.######

### ECHINODERMATA *(Phylum, includes 3 Classes)*

Asterozoa: BE\_RMCA\_ECH.Ast.######

Crinozoa: BE\_RMCA\_ECH.Cri.######

Echinozoa: BE\_RMCA\_ECH.Ech.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_ECH.######

### MOLLUSCA *(Phylum, includes 7 Classes)*

Aplacophora: BE\_RMCA\_MOL.Apl.######

Bivalva: BE\_RMCA\_MOL.Biv.######

Cephalopoda: BE\_RMCA\_MOL.Cep.######

Gastropoda: BE\_RMCA\_MOL.Gas.######

Monoplacophora: BE\_RMCA\_MOL.Mon.######

Polyplacophora: BE\_RMCA\_MOL.Pol.######

Scaphopoda: BE\_RMCA\_MOL.Sca.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_MOL.######

### PORIFERA *(Phylum, includes 4 Classes)*

Calcarea: BE\_RMCA\_POR.Cal.######

Demospongiae: BE\_RMCA\_POR.Dem.######

Hexactinellida: BE\_RMCA\_POR.Hex.######

Homoscleromorpha: BE\_RMCA\_POR.Hom.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_POR.######

### BRYOZOA *(Phylum, includes 3 Classes)*

Gymnolaemata: BE\_RMCA\_BRY.Gym.######

Phylactolaemata: BE\_RMCA\_BRY.Phy.######

Stenolaemata: BE\_RMCA\_BRY.Ste.######

Unidenfified: BE\_RMCA\_BRY.######

### KAMPTOZOA *(Phylum, includes 2 Classes)*

Cycliophora: BE\_RMCA\_KAM.Cyc.######

Entoprocta: BE\_RMCA\_KAM.Ent.######

### Collection Vermes *(cas particulier)*

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