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***Nemotelus anchora* LOEW (Diptera: Stratiomyidae),  
a soldier fly new to the Spanish fauna**

[*Nemotelus anchora* LOEW (Diptera: Stratiomyidae),  
eine Waffenfleie neu für die spanische Fauna]

by

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In Spring 2013 I received a small series of *Nemotelus* specimens from Piluca ALVAREZ FIDALGO from Madrid, Spain. She informed me that Francisco RODRIGUEZ LUQUE from Roquetas de Mar, collected them on 21.iv.2013 in Topares, in the north of Almeria, Spain.

The 3 males and 2 females were not difficult to identify as *Nemotelus anchora* LOEW, 1846. As described in ROZKOŠNÝ (1983) the frons is entirely black and all tibiae are darkened, while the knees are yellowish. Of course male genitalia were checked as well.

Until now the species has not been recorded so far west in the Mediterranean region (e. g. CARLES-TOLRÁ 2002). But after discussing this record with Martin HAUSER (Sacramento, USA), the occurrence of *N. anchora* in Spain should not come as a surprise. The species is known to occur in Italy, on Malta, Algeria, Tunisia, and may be found east as far as Southern Russia, and in the Middle East as far as Central Asia. Together with *N. anchora* LOEW the number of *Nemotelus* species in Spain is now 14 (see updated check list).