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Review of cigarette beetle *Lasioderma serricorne* (F.)(Coleoptera: Anobiidae)

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ABSTRACT:

The number of insect species that attack agricultural crops after harvest is estimated to be 1,660 insect species. During the various stages of transport, marketing and storage, the losses from these insect pests reaches about 30%. Insects as a result of direct feeding on stored products caused damage by loss in quality of stored products or had an effect on seed germination ratio. Thus, stored grain or food items loose their marketing, consumer or agricultural value. Among these insect pests are the Coleoptera insects belonging to Anobiidae family. Some of these insects feed on dry plant materials and timber, and some of them feed on fungi, of which about 1000 species are known. Most of them are Woodlouse except the two cigarette beetle *Lasioderma serricorne* (F.) and *Stegobium paniceum* (L.). *Stegobium paniceum* (L.), are from storage pests that cause serious damage and economic losses to stored grains. This review highlighted the importance of cigarette beetle *L. serricorne*.

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