

# LEPIDOPTERISTS

Rarities and remixes from *Wide Slumber for Lepidopterists*

## A FIELD GUIDE *for matt ceolin*

Common names	Unable to sleep. Trouble falling asleep. Asleep. Dreaming. Disturbed sleep. Waking up.
Taxonomic names	Insomnia. Dyssomnia. NREM. REM. Parasomnia. Arousal.
Size	Wide.
Habitat	On the floor of clover and lucerne fields near orchards and tallows, willows and woodsheds. In attic beds and chairs next to communal webs. On ground covered in bramble, raspberry, rocks.
Collection	Polysomnography and paragraphs.
Range	Almost all night; often migrates.
Similar species	Somnopterist.

## Description

**a** *vocalized or unvocalized inhale on “a”*  
**hoosh ha** *vocalized or unvocalized exhale on “hoosh” and “ha”*  
**fl** *pronounced on unvocalized exhale, may be done in rapid succession*  
**lu** *pronounced on unvocalized inhale or exhale, may be done in rapid succession*  
**ch** *pronounced on unvocalized exhale, succeeded by sharp intake of breath (or sucking in of spittle) ending in an abrupt plosive*  
**ft.mp** *pronounced “ft” on unvocalized exhale, pause, “mp” pronounced as vocalized swallow*  
**x** *pronounced as “ks,” with the “s” ending in an abrupt plosive*  
**y** *pronounced as “ee,” with the “e” ending in an abrupt plosive*  
**z** *pronounced as “z,” with the “z” ending in an abrupt plosive*  
**vt** *pronounced on vocalized exhale, short and powerful explosions of air*  
**tadra uh tadra tadra** *pronounced as vocalized exhale, unvocalized inhale, unvocalized exhale; almost an alveolar trill and as rapid as that*  
**tup** *pronounced on unvocalized exhale, extremely rapid like a high hat*  
**rOro** *pronounced as low growl on drawn-out vocalized inhale, ending with a quickly punctuated high note*

**MIL**  
*for alixandra bamford*

To awake in dregs. To sleep-awake in pools of glass. Our  
body epilepses. Body in wings. Wings in fright. Think slip.  
Think of a 'scape. And then

take a glass of water to bed. In the water: Pyralid eggs.  
Glass drops. Take another glass of water to bed. In the  
water: shards, punctured legs. Think water. Think to sip.  
Our body falls. Think to spit

a flurry of nightliving or think to grind myths into pulp: into  
water: into eggs: into bed. Cocoon in a cocoon. Roll over

nightfuls of teething. Chip enamel into words. Penetrate  
silk, wool with steel. No more. Then spit like split like our  
body thrust against a wall, a tooth, a moth with barbed  
spines. No more. Not like that at all. No more. Like  
macadamia oil and handfuls of Bogong moths. Mortar and  
pestle. Grind moths with powdered milk. No more. Drink  
water. No more. Drink to spit

night. Bed of larva and larva. Bed of glass. Is a cage where  
moths sleep. We are blurred in the same grave We collect  
surreal with smoke and steel wool We label rows on rows  
of embroidered stolen bodies This bed husked with mouth.  
The cage bled.

**CHRYSALISTALIZATION :  
HYPERHYPNOTRANSLATION**  
*for lori nancy kalamanski*

Hypnothrum of nightwords on lips, lips on thighs, legs twitch.

*29netherrealm*

Deforms of sleep click of a switch sleep. Are we rounded or inhaling to sleep? Do we tail off the hindwing? Count eggs to uncontrol. Count morphemes epsy epil narcol disp. Are our edges with ropped isturbed angled slead? Hypnagogia descension.noise agognee dena? deruid po tiw sero ra. sidloc lippem pruot. nuos oc? niwila wo? elsot linre ra. elsiw fo els fo smod  
*mlaerrehten##*

*37ether*

Cryptic promin irregular nustle bodies nustle twisted, dead leaves eschen bodies left eschen flattened bodies for the purpose of nustle being left cataplectic istle purposefully collapsed bodies istle immobility nustle camou.nowac eltsnu htilipowwi eltsi seiqop qesballoC hllnfesobrn b eltsi citcelbatac tfel guiep eltsnu fo esobrub eyt rof seiqop quettalf ueycse tfel seiqop nehcase senael qaeq 'getsimt eltsnu seiqop eltsnu ralngerrri uiworb citbhrC  
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Colortango. Bandoneon. Love-heat. Almosst ( )lit. Velvet. Drunk, so drunk off rotten fruit couldn't wake. No one, take two. A one a two. Slow slow quick quick slow and very slow appendages verge on pale green, golden-spot. Body. Os and Ds. A rip a run, body outside body. Humid-thick. Thirst. Consume. Ocho. rigt dim obedi tuo nur pira ... opsne gnee gela noe ... rev segapa wols rev nawols ciu ... ciu swolsowt aenoa eka tenoone ti, ti ur tor foknur ... osk nur tegt sumk, nur teylev il ... somlatsae hevol noene na ...  
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## SOMNOPTERA

*for ciara adams*

### *parasomnaria*

Hypnavocable. Trail NREM2: const rumble breath, sonar pulse. Revere NREM3: the light eye-see. Patterned d breath. Well underwater, echolake. Reverb, shiver, warmed flight muscle. Solitary NREM4 lift-off with dotted trail in wake. Sound. Mim NREM3 mimicry. This is important work done. Abbereverie. Polar voice NREM2. Solace omni. Heavily furred. REM. Sea-moth percheron-moth mother. REM. Stable. REM. Ss curve, body. REM. Enemy bird dies irae lepid ergo optera

### *aria*

Sortled trail. Insidious cross-section. Brain mapped on wing. Pins in brain if possible. Triumph, triharrumph. Ptych. Three dead white ipitous answer isper see noth

### *aria*

Argol efflur eremia. See this air in dire flux. Sooner fit or flatter. Flit or fatter. Father moth. The letter slip. Intrinsic ophtham. See eye or silver-spotted swift. See mix of air and light. Never see

### *aria*

Habit of holding the shoulder blades as wings over the back when at rest : Predatory mime def breath mech stop. is not dead. Utter home, some, two-tone deaf-armed, timbal organ, sonic gossamer : afling aalong uh uh uh uh uh semindanster ark wuh wuh wuh wuh arkholin pankh'ree ow tolen mung : a c a a who for a how

### *somniloquy*

Souls flutter ablove the bled.

**DON'T SAY THE YOU THE YOU THE YOU SAY  
THE WE**  
*for alexis milligan*

There are stories to tell. Each voice streams. Silent voices  
cloud. Monarchs politic our bodies, form code, we hone  
code, we home.

We are We are our are us.

We run, our body ups and runs, lanterns a path, pubic-  
thick, undergrown, vaginal orchids hung and damp.  
Trips. Chips enamel into words. Lanterns rows on rows of  
tattooed stolen bodies.

Our us.

Spit like split like a collector thrust against a wall, a tooth,  
or a moth with barbed spines. Pins through epidermis,  
vulva, uvula. Bodies inside body, arms fold over as wings.

Or.

Peel off antenna. The other. Rip wing into eighths. Slice  
abdomen. Sprinkle bits of wing over carcass. Insert  
antennae into abdomen.

Yes.