Quick guide to New Zealand Dytiscidae (adults)

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Dytiscus

YES

A very large black beetle (up to 30 mm) with a yellowish margin around body?

NO

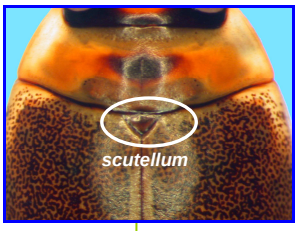
head & body uniformly black

Onychohydrus

YES

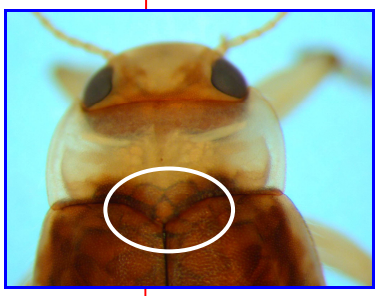
Is the body length >12 mm?

YES



Is the scutellum clearly visible, & beetle >5 mm?

NO



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NO

reddish brown beetle

Copelatus

YES

Do the elytra have fine, longitudinal grooves & beetle ≤6 mm?

NO

beetle >8 mm

Lancetes

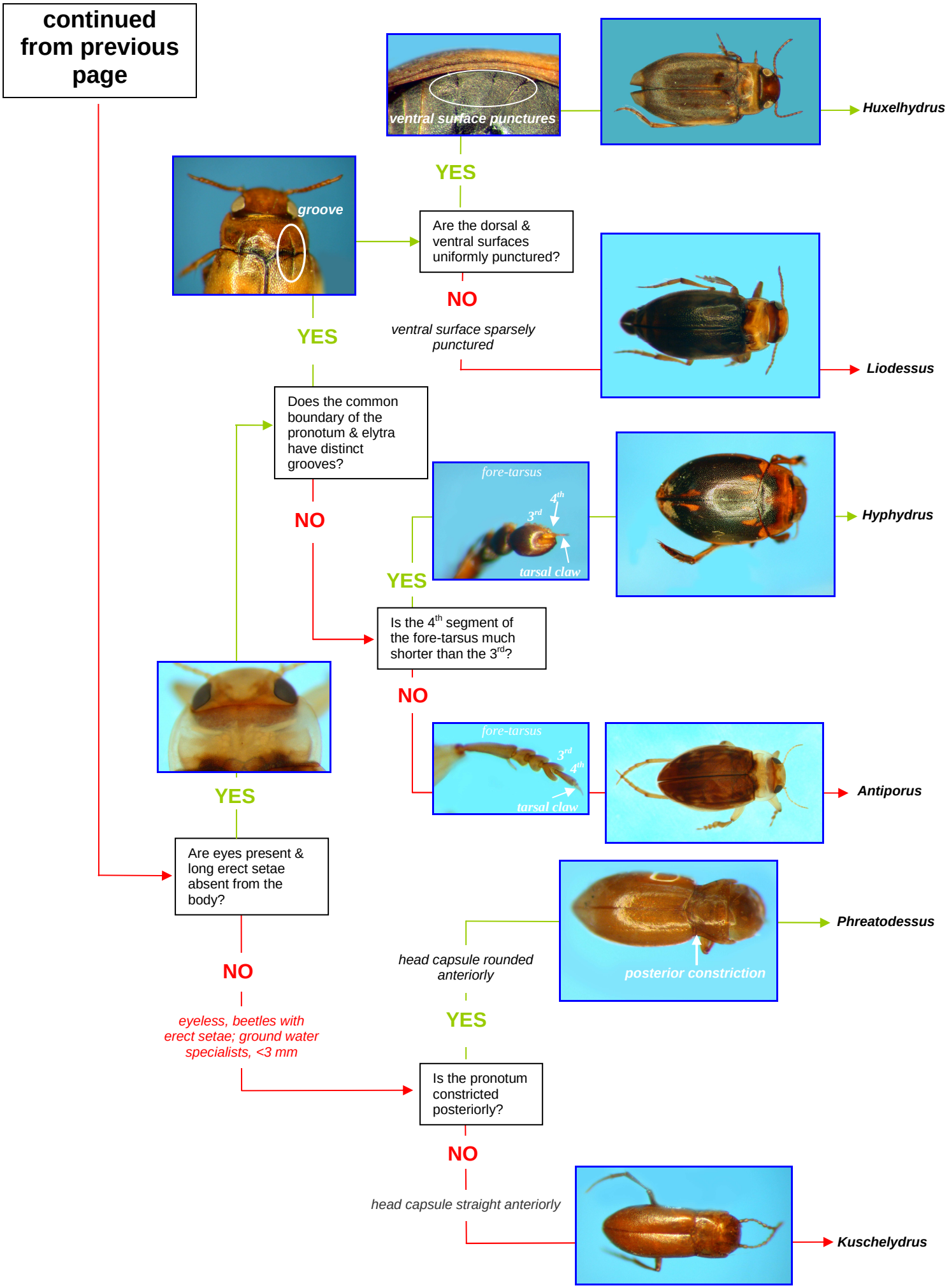
YES

Do the elytra have yellow & blackish longitudinal stripes?

NO

elytra with yellow & blackish mottling

Rhantus



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