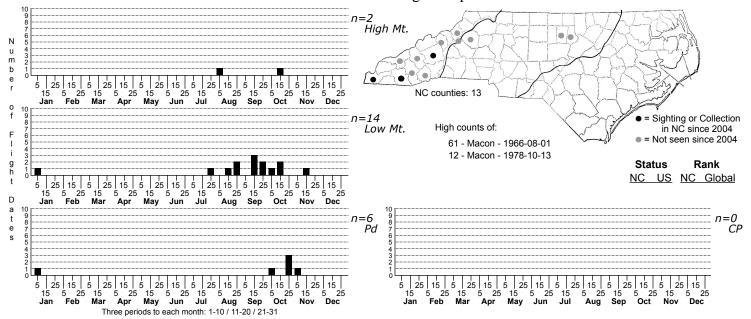
Antrodiaetus unicolor a foldingdoor spider



ORDER:ARANEAE INFRAORDER:Mygalomorphae FAMILY:Antrodiaetidae

TAXONOMIC COMMENTS: Greek antrodiaitos - "living in caves", from antron - "cave" + diaita - "way of life, dwelling"

DISTRIBUTION_COMMENTS: Found throughout the Appalachians from northeastern Alabama and north to western Pennsylvania and Illinois.

HABITAT: humid, cool, densely forested habitats with sandy loam soil. Balds, forests with Hemlock and Rhododendron. Densest and largest burrow concentrations are usually found in inclined surfaces of slopes and banks along ravines, streams, roads, and trails, at the base of rock outcrops and other sheltered spots.

OBSERVATION_METHODS: Careful visual observation of burrows during day time, head lamps can locate them near burrow entrance at night. Pitfall traps.