First record of the fig wasp genus *Diaziella* Grandi (Hymenoptera: Chalcidoidea: Pteromalidae: Sycoecinae) from the Asian mainland with description of two new species from China

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Abstract

Diaziella bizarrea van Noort & Rasplus sp. nov. is described from specimens reared from Ficus glaberrima and Diaziella yangi van Noort & Rasplus sp. nov. is described from specimens reared from Ficus curtipes in Xishuangbanna, China. Together with a new record of Diaziella macroptera Grandi from Thailand this is the first time the genus has been recorded from the Asian mainland. Previously the twelve described species of Diaziella were known from the islands of Borneo, Java, Sumatra, Sulawesi and the Philippines. Images are provided for both sexes of the two new species and for the female of D. macroptera. A key is included to all described species of Diaziella. An online key is available at: http://www.figweb.org/Fig_wasps/Pteromalidae/Sycoecinae/Key/Diaziella.htm. Host relationships and biology are discussed.

Key words: Diaziella, Ficus, fig wasp, key, new species, taxonomy

Introduction

There are currently six described genera in the Sycoecinae, four of these (Sycoecus Waterston, Seres Waterston, Philocaenus Grandi and Crossogaster Mayr) are restricted to the Afrotropical region, where they are associated with the host Ficus (Moraceae) section Galoglychia of subgenus Urostigma (van Noort 1994). The two Indo-Australasian genera, Diaziella Grandi (1928) and Robertsia Bouček (1988), are each associated with a unique Ficus section (section Urostigma [subsection Conosycea] and section Stilpnophyllum [subsection Malvanthera] respectively) of subgenus Urostigma. Robertsia, a recently