

Two new species of *Plinactus* Stål (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Coreidae: Coreinae: Gonocerini) from Aldabra Atoll and Madagascar

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Abstract

Plinactus aldabrensis new species, collected in Aldabra Atoll, and *P. contortus* new species, collected in Madagascar are described, and included in the *dubius*-group. The relationships with *P. dubius* Herrich-Schaeffer, and *P. schoutedeni* van Reenen are discussed. The adult dorsal habitus, and drawings of pronotum, and male genital capsule are provided, as is a key to the known species from Madagascar and Aldabra Atoll.

Key words: Hemiptera, Coreidae, Gonocerini, *Plinactus*, new species, Aldabra Atoll, Madagascar

Introduction

The genus *Plinactus* Stål, currently known from the Afrotropical Region, is separated into three groups and 16 species. In the *dubius*-group the humeral angles of pronotum are thick at base and taper into sharp or truncated apical spine, the posterior third of antennal segment III is yellow or reddish orange, the abdominal sternite V lacks a black discoidal spot, and the abdominal spiracles are yellow. Included are nine species: *burgeoni* van Reenen, *dubius* Herrich-Schaeffer, *kivuensis* (Schouteden), *lux* van Reenen, *nyamuragirensis* (Schouteden), *pax* van Reenen, *rex* van Reenen, *schoutedeni* van Reenen, and *umbricolus* Linnavuori. In the *falcatus*-group the humeral angles of pronotum are flattened and relatively thin at base, the humeral spines pointing strongly outwards, the posterior third of antennal segment III is yellow or reddish orange, abdominal sternite V has a small black discoidal spot, and the abdominal spiracles are yellow. Included are three species: *falcatus* (Distant), *madagascariensis* (Kiritshenko), and *riparium* van Reenen. The *pungens*-group is characterized by having the posterior third of antennal segment III black, and the abdominal spiracle surrounded by a black spot. Included are four species: *pungens* (Thunberg), *scitulus* Brailovsky and Barrera, *venustus* van Reenen, and