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Four new species of Nemobiinae from China (Orthoptera, Gryllidae, Nemobiinae)

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Abstract

Four new species of the cricket subfamily Nemobiinae from China are described. They are *Homonemobius nigrus* **sp. nov.**, *Speonemobius sinensis* **sp. nov.**, *Polionemobius annulicornis* **sp. nov.** and *Pteronemobius yunnanicus* **sp. nov.** All type specimens are deposited in East China Normal University, Biology of History Museum (HSNU); Shanghai Entomological Museum (IEAS) and Shanghai Normal University (SHNUC).

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Introduction

The subfamily Nemobiinae includes 51 genera and about 291 known species. The largest genus, *Pteronemobius*, includes 100 species. This subfamily differs from the Trigonidiinae in the characters of hind tibiae being distinctly shorter than those of the hind femora and the second tarsal segment compressed. Thus far, four genera (*Marinemobius*, *Dianemobius*, *Polionemobius* and *Pteronemobius*) and 17 species have been reported from China. In this paper, four new species are described (*Homonemobius nigrus* sp. nov., *Speonemobius sinensis* sp. nov., *Polionemobius annulicornis* sp. nov., *Pteronemobius yunnanicus* sp. nov.) and the two genera *Speonemobius* and *Homonemobius* are first recorded from China.

1. Homonemobius nigrus sp. nov.

(Figs. 1-4)

Material. Holotype ♂, CHINA: Yunnan prov. Jinghong county, Nabanhe Benggangxinzhai, 2009.V.3, Alt. 1750m, leg. Hu Jia-Yao & Yin Zi-Wei (IEAS); Paratypes 1♀, CHINA: Yunnan prov. Jinghong county, Nabanhe Benggangxinzhai, 2009.V.4, Alt. 1850m, leg. Hu Jia-Yao & Yin Zi-Wei; 2♂♂, 3♀♀, CHINA: Yunnan prov. Jinghong county, NabanheGuomenshan, 2009.V.8, Alt. 1200m, leg. Hu Jia-Yao & Yin Zi-Wei; 1♂, CHINA: Yunnan prov. Nabanhe N. R. Bengganghani 2009.IV.29, Alt. 2000m, leg. Hu Jia-Yao & Yin Zi-Wei (SHNUC).

Description. Male. Body small and pubescent. Head as wide as pronotum, frontal rostrum as wide as 1st antennal joint. 5th joint of maxillary palpi longest. Pronotum feebly transverse, anterior margin as wide as posterior margin. No tympanum on fore tibiae. Hind tibia with three external dorsal spurs and four internal dorsal spurs; the proximal internal spurs short and stout (Fig. 2), apex with six apical spurs. Tegmen short and glossy, with five veins on dorsal field and four veins on lateral field (Fig. 1). No mirror and wings absent. Genitalia of male as in Figs. 3–4.