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***Clidicus chinensis* n. sp. from Hainan, the first species of the Mastigitae from China (Coleoptera: Staphylinidae: Scydmaeninae)**

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Abstract

The first species of the mastigite genus *Clidicus* Laporte (Coleoptera: Staphylinidae: Scydmaeninae) from China is described, under the name of *Clidicus chinensis* n. sp. The type material has been collected in Jianfengling (Hainan prov.); the habitus, aedeagus and spermatheca of the new species are illustrated.

Key words: Mastigitae, Clidicini, *Clidicus*, new species, new record, Oriental, China

Introduction

The supertribe Mastigitae is represented in the Oriental Region by a single genus, *Clidicus* Laporte, 1832, placed in the tribe Clidicini. Twenty six species of *Clidicus* are known in the Australo-Oriental region (Besuchet, 1971; Jałoszyński, 2009; Jałoszyński, Hlaváč & Nomura, 2003; Laporte de Castelnau, 1832; Lhost, 1938, 1939; L.W.Schaufuss, 1884; O'Keefe, 2000; Orouset, 2014; Pascoe, 1866; Pic, 1928; Reitter, 1887; Walker, 1858). The genus was recently reviewed and its morphology was discussed in detail by O'Keefe & Monteith (2000) and Orouset (2014), and its systematic placement, biogeography and evolution was discussed by Jałoszyński (2012). In the present paper, occurrence of a new species in China is reported.

Material and methods

All material treated in this study is housed in the Insect Collection of Shanghai Normal University, Shanghai, China (SNUC).

The collecting data of the material are quoted verbatim. A slash is used to separate different labels. Authors' supplementary notes are included in square brackets. Morphological terms follow those used by Jałoszyński, Hlaváč & Nomura (2003) and Jałoszyński, Matsumura & Beutel (2015).

The following abbreviations are used: AeL—length of the aedeagus along midline of the median lobe in dorsoventral view; AnL—length of the antennae; BL—body length (= HL + PL + EL); EI—elytral index (= EL / EW); EL—length of the elytra along suture, from the base of scutellum to the apex; EW—maximum width of the elytra; HW—maximum width of the head; HL—length of the head from the anterior clypeal margin to the occipital constriction; PL—length of the pronotum along midline; PWb—width of the pronotum at base; PWm—maximum width of the pronotum; SpD—largest diameter of the spermatheca.

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(Figs 1–3)

Type material (1♂, 2♀♀). **Holotype:** CHINA: ♂, labeled ‘China: Hainan Prov., Ledong Hsien [乐东县], Jianfengling N.R. [尖峰岭], Mingfenggu [鸣凤谷], 18°44'30"N, 108°50'29"E, rainforest, decaying log, with *Cerapachys* ants, 995 m,