

Notes on *Menippus* and *Issikia* from Sumatra and Java, Indonesia (Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae: Galerucinae)

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Menippus philippinensis Jacoby, 1894, is reported from Java, and *Issikia clarki* (Jacoby, 1884) **comb. nov.**, from Sumatra.

Introduction

The genus *Menippus* was established by Clark (1864), with *Menippus cynicus* Clark, 1864, described from Queensland (Australia) as the type species. In the Coleopterorum Catalogus, the genus is represented by 11 species (Wilcox, 1971). The genus *Issikia* Chujo, 1961, has *Issikia issikii* Chujo, 1961, from Ryukyu Island (Japan) as its type species. The genus is represented by three species, including one recently transferred by Kimoto (1989) from the genus *Menippus*. Kimoto separates the genus *Issikia* because the lateral border of elytron has a flat reflexed area, and *Menippus* is lacking such a flat reflexed area. Both genera look very much similar, having the dorsal surface pubescent, the pronotum and elytra punctured, the tarsal claws bifid and the procoxal cavities closed posteriorly.

In this paper some notes are given on two species of the genera *Menippus* and *Issikia* from Sumatra and Java, Indonesia. Diagnoses for both species are provided. RMNH stands for Nationaal Natuurhistorisch Museum Naturalis, Leiden.

Taxonomy

Menippus philippinensis Jacoby, 1894

Menippus philippinensis Jacoby, 1894: 192 (Philippines); Wilcox, 1971: 78: 61; Kimoto, 1990: 207.

Material.— 2 ♀♀ (RMNH), Indonesia, Java, Gg. Moeria, Tjolo 700-1000 m, 28.xii.1933, P.H. v. Doesburg; 1 ♀ (RMNH), Java, G. Kawi, vii.1934, v. Doesburg.

Diagnosis.— Body length 6.0-11.2 mm. Dorsal surface brownish, ventral surface with metasternum and abdomen black. Head with frontal tubercles not distinct. Antennae brownish; interantennal space 1.2 times as broad as antennal socket. Eyes small, the interocular space 2.5 times as broad as transverse diameter of eye; distance across eyes narrower than the width of anterior border of pronotum. Pronotum with posterior border straight. Elytra strongly convex, covered by adpressed fine hairs; punctures not very closely arranged, the interstices between 1.0-2.5 times as broad as diameter of puncture. Legs brownish, except apical part of femora, tibiae and tarsi black.

Remarks.— This is a new record for Java.

Issikia clarki (Jacoby, 1884) comb. nov.

Menippus clarki Jacoby, 1884: 220 (Sumatra); Duvivier, 1891: 149 (Java); Wilcox, 1971: 61; Kimoto, 1990: 206.

Material.— 1 ♀ (RMNH), Indonesia, Sumatra S.E., coast Laut Tador 80 m, 2.vi.1950, R. Straatman.

Diagnosis.— Body length 11.5 mm. Dorsal and ventral surfaces entirely brownish. Head with frontal tubercles distinct, not strongly raised. Antennae with segments 4-11 black; interantennal space as broad as antennal socket. Eyes moderately large, the interocular space 1.8 times as broad as transverse diameter of eye; distance across eyes as broad as the width of anterior border of pronotum. Pronotum with posterior border sinuate in middle. Elytra not strongly convex, covered with fine hairs; punctures very closely arranged, the interstices as broad as diameter of puncture. Legs brownish, except tibiae and tarsi black.

Remarks.— The specimen examined belongs to the genus *Issikia* where elytron possesses a flat reflexed area on its lateral border. Thus, a new combination is here proposed.

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