

A new species of *Sinaphodius* (Coleoptera, Scarabaeidae, Aphodiinae) from Java, Indonesia

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マダソコガネの *Sinaphodius* 属のジャワからの 1 新種

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Abstract: A new species of the genus *Sinaphodius* is described from Java, Indonesia under the name of *S. oharai* sp. nov.

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Up to the present, 5 species of *Sinaphodius* (Coleoptera, Scarabaeidae, Aphodiinae) have been known from Nepal, Yunnan, the Philippines, Java and Sulawesi (Ochi & Kon, 2005). Of these, *S. sinuatus* (Harold) has been recorded from the Philippines and Java (Balthasar, 1963).

Recently, we have found a Javanese specimen of a *Sinaphodius* species distinct from *S. sinuatus* in the first author's collection. After a close examination and comparisons, we have concluded that this form is new to science. Thus, we herewith describe a new species of *Sinaphodius* from Java.

Sinaphodius oharai sp. nov.

(Figs. 1-7)

Length: 5.7 mm; width: 2.9 mm (n=1).

Male. Body short and robust, quadrate in outline, well convex above; dorsal side sub-opaque, somewhat densely clothed with semi-recumbent brownish hairs; ventral side clothed with yellowish hairs, almost opaque except for median portion of metasternum and femora, which are a little lustrous. Color brown to pale brown, partly yellowish brown; head yellowish brown except for blackish brown median portion; pronotum pale brown, with sides and basal portion yellowish brown; elytron pale brown with apical portion also yellowish brown; pygidium brown except for yellowish antero-median portion; ventral surface pale brown to dark brown, with legs almost yellowish brown; mouth organs and palpi yellowish brown to brown, antenna with foot-stalk yellowish brown, club segments blackish brown.

Head distinctly transverse, simply formed, gently and evenly convex above, semicircular in outline; clypeus moderately produced forward with clypeal margin widely rounded on either side, clearly truncated in the middle, distinctly bordered; clypeo-frontal suture distinct and fine on either side, completely effaced in the middle; clypeo-genal suture distinct and not carinate; gena clearly and strongly produced laterad, with genal corner distinct, roundly angulate at apex, marginal line becoming conspicuously broadened posteriad; surface somewhat densely covered with small but strong punctures, the punctures becoming sparser towards sides and median portion.