

## A new *Mycetophagus* Fabricius, 1792 species from China (Coleoptera: Mycetophagidae) with new faunistic records

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**Abstract.** A new species *Mycetophagus* (*Ilendus*) *konvickai* sp. nov. is described and illustrated from China: Sichuan Province. Additionally, it is compared with three eastern Palaearctic congeners. The species *Mycetophagus* (*Ulolendus*) *antennatus* (Reitter, 1879) and *Litargus* (*Litargosomus*) *japonicus* Reitter, 1877 are firstly recorded from China: Sichuan Province.

### INTRODUCTION

The small fungus beetle family Mycetophagidae currently contains 28 valid genera and 210 species Worldwide (Háva 2022). During the determination of a mycetophagid collection deposited at the private collection of Ondřej Konvička (Zlín, Czech Republic), the author found a new *Mycetophagus* Fabricius, 1792 species from China which is described below. Two new faunistic records are reported.

### MATERIAL AND METHODS

The size of the beetles or of their body parts can be useful in species recognition and thus, the following measurements were made:

total length (TL) - linear distance from anterior margin of head to apex of elytra.

elytral width (EW) - maximum linear transverse distance.

The material is deposited in the following collections:

JHAC Jiří Háva, Private Entomological Laboratory & Collection, Únětice u Prahy, Prague-West, Czech Republic;

OKPC Ondřej Konvička, private collection, Zlín, Czech Republic.

Specimens of the presently described species are provided with red, printed labels with texts as follows: „HOLOTYPE (or PARATYPE, respectively) *Mycetophagus* (*Ilendus*) *konvickai* sp. nov. Jiří Háva det. 2024”.

### RESULTS

#### ***Mycetophagus* (*Ilendus*) *konvickai* sp. nov.**

(Figs. 1-5)

**Type material.** Holotype (♂): CHINA: N Sichuan, Xiao-Zhaizi Nat. Nature Reserve, 4 km NNE of Qingpiangsiang, Zhenghecum, 32°3'27"N, 103°59'37"E, 1350-1850 m, 23-26.vi.2017, Ondřej Konvička lgt., (OKPC). Paratypes: (1 ♂, 2 ♀♀): same data as holotype, (1 ♀ OKPC; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ JHAC).

**Description.** Male. Body measurements TL 5.6 mm, EW 2.3 mm; elongate-oval, subparallel-sided; weakly convex dorsally, weakly glossy; mostly brown, covered with brownish and yellow

recumbent setation; mouthparts, legs brown; elytra brown with yellowish-brown patches.

Head with dense and coarse punctures; ocular distance about 2.7 times wider than diameter of eyes; covered by yellowish, erect setation; labrum brown; eyes prominent laterally in dorsal view, coarsely faceted and slightly emarginate near antennal insertions; antennae with 11 antennomeres, brown, antennal club with five antennomeres (Fig. 3); palpi dark brown, apical maxillary palpomere cylindrical.

Pronotum convex dorsally, rugose, with large and dense punctures and yellow setation; widest at middle, gradually narrowed anteriorly and posteriorly; anterior margin slightly arcuate; lateral sides distinctly margined, roundly arcuate; basal margin sinuate, with short and circular grooves subbasally.

Scutellum triangularly-oval, with short recumbent brown setation.

Elytra with yellow and brown recumbent setation, elongate, subparallel-sided, narrowed from apical fourth to apex; dark brown with many small, large and geometric yellowish-brown patches (Figs. 1-2), which are variable among individuals; punctate-striate, striae punctures very deep, large and regular; interstices flat, narrower than striae.

Meta- and mesoventrites dark brown, with yellow recumbent setation.

Abdominal visible ventrites brown, with yellow recumbent setation.

Male genitalia as in Figs. 4-5.

**Female.** Externally similar to male.

**Variability.** Body measurements TL 5.0-5.6 mm, EW 2.2-2.3 mm.



Figs. 1-5. *Mycetophagus (Ilendus) konvickai* sp. nov. (holotype): 1- habitus, dorsal aspect; 2- habitus, lateral aspect; 3- antennae; 4- male genitalia, dorsal aspect; 5- male genitalia, tip of parameres, lateral aspect.

**Differential diagnosis.** The new species belongs to the subgenus *Ilendus* Casey, 1900 according to characters mentioned by Nikitski (1993) and differs from the similar eastern Palearctic species *M. irroratus* Reitter, 1879 *M. yunnanus* Háva, 2019 and *M. lederi* Reitter,

1897 by the short, brown antennae (Fig. 3), the structure of the male genitalia (Figs. 4-5) and the elytral colour patterns.

**Etymology.** Patronymic, dedicated to the collector of the new species Ondřej Konvička (Czech Republic).

### ***Mycetophagus (Ulolendus) antennatus* (Reitter, 1879)**

**Material examined:** CHINA: N Sichuan, Xiao-Zhaizi Nat. Nature Reserve, 4 km NNE of Qingpiangsiang, Zhenghecum, 32°3'27''N, 103°59'37''E, 1350-1850 m, 23-26.vi.2017, Ondřej Konvička lgt., 1 spec., J. Háva det., (OKPC).

**Distribution.** This species is known from Azerbaijan, China (Inner Mongolia, Guangxi), Japan, Mongolia, Myanmar, Russia, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam (Nikitsky 1993, 2020, Háva 2022), new for China (Sichuan).

### ***Litargus (Litargosomus) japonicus* Reitter, 1877**

**Material examined:** CHINA: N Sichuan, Xiao-Zhaizi Nat. Nature Reserve, 4 km NNE of Qingpiangsiang, Zhenghecum, 32°3'27''N, 103°59'37''E, 1350-1850 m, 23-26.vi.2017, Ondřej Konvička lgt., 1 spec., J. Háva det., (OKPC).

**Distribution.** This species is known from Japan, Mongolia, North Korea, South Korea (Háva 2022), new for China (Sichuan).

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