

New Records of Two Little-known Species of the Subtribe
Bibloporina, Tribe Trichonychini (Coleoptera, Staphylinidae,
Pselaphinae) from Hokkaido and Shikoku, Japan

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Up to the present, eight species of four genera of the subtribe Bibloporina in the tribe Trichonychini *sensu* CHANDLER (2000) have been known from Japan. In the course of my study, *Kuriporus creator* KURBATOV only known from Kunashiri Island of the Chishima Islands was discovered from Shikoku, which is the first record of this species from the mainland of Japan. Additionally, *Bibloporus ponderosus* KURBATOV known from Kunashiri Island and Honshu is recorded also from Hokkaido in the present report.

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Kuriporus creator KURBATOV, 1991

[Japanese name: Keshitsubu-kikawa-arizukamushi]

(Fig. 1)

Kuriporus creator KURBATOV, 1991, Zool. Zh., Moskva, **70** (10): 71.

Specimens examined. 1 male, 1 female, Nagano (in litter), Yusuhara, Kôchi Pref., 15–VII–1994, M. SAKAI leg.

Distribution. Chishima Isls. (Kunashiri Is.), Shikoku.

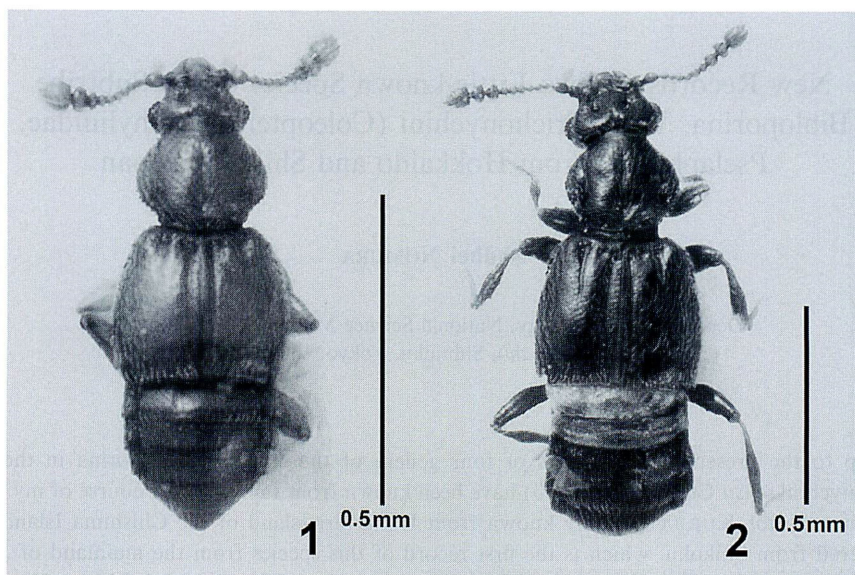
Remarks. This species is the only member of the genus. It is characterized by very small body (0.75–0.80 mm in length) and the large and transverse pronotum with three longitudinal sulci.

Bibloporus ponderosus KURBATOV, 1991

[Japanese name: Chishima-kikawa-arizukamushi]

(Fig. 2)

Bibloporus ponderosus KURBATOV, 1991, Zool. Zh., Moskva, **70** (7): 58. — NOMURA, 2005, *Elytra*, Tokyo, **33**: 224.



Figs. 1–2. *Kuriporus creator* KURBATOV, male from Shikoku (1); *Bibloporus ponderosus* KURBATOV, male from Hokkaido (2).

Specimens examined. 1 female, Nopporo Forest Park (FIT), MC: 6441–44–60, Ebetsu-shi, Hokkaido, 17~24–V–2000, Shigehisa HORI leg.; 1 male, same data as above, but 13~21–VI–2000; 1 male, same locality as above (HMH/FIT), 27–VI–2001, S. HORI leg.

Distribution. Chishima Isls. (Kunashiri Is.), Hokkaido, Honshu.

Remarks. This species was reported by NOMURA (2005) also from Yamanashi Prefecture, Central Honshu.

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