

The Specific Name of the *Cheirotonus* Species (Coleoptera, Scarabaeidae, Euchirinae) from the Malay Peninsula

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The *Cheirotonus* species from the Malay Peninsula belongs to the “*parrii** group”, which consists of *parrii**, *jansoni*, *jambar* and the Malayan species.

KRIESCHE (1919) described *C. peracanus* on a female specimen from Peraku, Malakka, but it was not listed in OHAUS' (1918, 1934) catalogues. Perhaps OHAUS was not aware of KRIESCHE's description.

Recently, MINET (1981) described *C. arnaudi* from Tanah Rata, Malaysia, and YOUNG (1989) did not list *C. peracanus* in his revisional work, either. According to the original description, *C. arnaudi* is apparently a junior synonym of *C. peracanus*, as shown below.

Cheirotonus peracanus KRIESCHE, 1919, Ent. Mitt., **8**, p. 77 (type locality: Peraku, Malakka). = *Cheirotonus arnaudi* MINET, 1981, Nouv. Rev. Ent., **11**, p. 290 (type locality: Tanah Rata, Malaysia). *Syn. nov.*

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* In GRAY's original description, the name of the North Indian species of the genus *Cheirotonus* was spelled *parrii*, not *parryi*.