

Acrocyrtidus argenteus (Coleoptera, Cerambycidae)
Newly Recorded from Northern Vietnam

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An elegant cerambycine beetle, *Acrocyrtidus argenteus*, was originally described on the basis of a single female specimen collected at Phou Khao Khoay of Laos, and has so far been known only from the type locality. As the result of recent field researches to northern Vietnam, I was able to examine a pair of specimens of the species. I am going to report it as being new to the fauna of the country, with a diagnostic account of the male external structure. The abbreviations used herein are explained in the other paper of mine published in the present issue of the *Elytra* (p. 208).

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Acrocyrtidus argenteus GRESSITT et RONDON, 1970, *Pacif. Ins. Mon.*, **24**, p.189, fig. 32 a; type locality: Phou Khao Khoay, Laos.

Description of male. Body slender with very long antennae and legs. Colour black, with appendages dark brown to dark reddish brown. Head as wide as pronotum, HW/PW 0.99, HW/PA 1.14, with surface densely granulose. Antennae 1.7 times as long as body, surpassing elytral apices at bases of segments 7, briefly toothed at apices of segments 3-5. Pronotum sub-cylindrical, weakly arcuate near middle, densely granulose, densely silvery gray pubescent, though the pubescence is long at base and at sides near apex, PL/PW 0.96, PL/PA 1.11, PA/PB 0.87, PL/EL 0.31. Scutellum silvery gray pubescent. Elytra slender, moderate in length, minutely granulose, EL/EW 2.28; sides arcuately emarginate in apical third, then weakly divergent to apices which are subtruncate; basal pubescent band silvery gray, though the rests are silvery white in colour. Ventral surface densely clothed with silvery white pubescence, with anal abdominal sternite arcuately rounded at apex. Legs long and slender. Body length 9.2 mm.

Specimens examined. 1 ♂, Mt. Tam Dao, Vinh Phu Province, N. Vietnam, 30-V-1993, H. KARUBE leg.; 1 ♀, same locality, 6-V-1994, T. NIISATO leg. (in coll. T. NIISATO).

Notes. This species is distinguished from the other congeners in the slender black body provided with long antennae, and the unique silvery white pubescent maculations on the elytra, which are formed by a pair of large sub-oculate spots at middle, and transverse apical and basal bands. Unlike *A. elegantulus* and *A. diversinotatus*, it shows no sexual colour dimorphism.