

New Record of *Ceruchus sinensis* (Coleoptera, Lucanidae) from Western Yunnan, Southwest China

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Ceruchus sinensis was originally described by NAGEL (1933) based on a single male specimen from “Nr Mt Francis Gardner, W. of Mekong” which means most probably Mt. Taizuxue Shan or its nearby regions on the borders between the northwestern end of Yunnan Province and the southeastern end of Xizang Zizhiqu in Southwest China. It was later recorded additionally from “Hpemaw,” east of Myitkyina (ARAYA, 2002) and Chudu Razi, northeast of Kachin (OKUDA, 2007) of northern Myanmar, and yet it is doubtlessly one of the least known species of the genus *Ceruchus* distributed in southeastern Eurasia. Through the courtesy of Messrs. Igor BELOUSOV and Ilya KABAK, I recently had an opportunity to examine two male specimens referable to this species collected from northern Baoshan of western Yunnan as recorded below.

Specimens examined. 2 ♂♂ (15.7–18.8 mm in length including mandibles), N. Baoshan [保山] (25°29′38″N / 99°04′51″E), 3,370 m, western Yunnan, Southwest China, 9–V–2006, preserved in the collection of Y. IMURA.

The Baoshan specimens agree well with the type specimen of *C. sinensis* shown by ARAYA (2002) in both the external and genitalic features. As was expected by the same author, the species seems to be rather widely distributed on and around the Gaoligong Shan Mountains stretching from north to south along the borders between Yunnan and Myanmar.

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