

A New Distributional Record of *Malthinellus bicolor*  
(Coleoptera, Cantharidae, Malthininae) from Yaku Island,  
Southwest Japan, with a List of Cantharids Recorded from the Island

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The genus *Malthinellus* comprises seven species known from East and Southeast Asia, three of which have been known to occur in Japan (TAKAHASHI & N. TAKAHASHI, 2007). As regards the Japanese species of the genus, *Malthinellus chujoi* and *M. masatakai* are found on the islands of the middle Ryukyus, and *M. bicolor* is distributed in Korea and the mainland of Japan except for Hokkaido. I was able to examine the material of the latter from Yaku Island lying in the northern Ryukyus; the collecting data are given below as a new distributional record from the island.

*Malthinellus bicolor* KIESENWETTER, 1874

[Japanese name: Futairo-chibi-jôkai]

*Malthinellus bicolor* KIESENWETTER, 1874, 281. — NAKANE, 1963, 173. — BABA & M. SATÔ, 1984, 25 (new to Sado Is.). — M. SATÔ, 1985, 116. — KIM & KANG, 2000, 116 (new to Korea). — N. TAKAHASHI, 2003, 15 (new to Shikoku). — TAKAHASHI & N. TAKAHASHI, 2007, 148 (in key).

Table 1. List of cantharids recorded from Yaku Island, Southwest Japan.

| Subfamily   | Species  | Reference                              |
|-------------|--|--|
| Cantharinae | <i>Asiopodabrus nakaoi</i> (NAKANE, 1990)                      | IMASAKA & OHTSUKA (1996)* <sup>1</sup> |
|             | <i>Lycocerus matsunagai</i> (IMASAKA et OKUSHIMA, 2000)        | OKUSHIMA & IMASAKA (2000) <sup>2</sup> |
|             | <i>Lycocerus suturellus luteipennis</i> (KIESENWETTER, 1874)   | TAKEUCHI (1931)* <sup>3</sup>          |
|             | <i>Lycocerus vitellinus</i> (KIESENWETTER, 1874)               | TAKEUCHI (1931)* <sup>4</sup>          |
|             | <i>Macrohabronychus (Habronychus) miyatakei</i> (ISHIDA, 1986) | ISHIDA (1986) <sup>5</sup>             |
|             | <i>Stenothemus badius</i> (KIESENWETTER, 1874)                 | M. SATÔ (1971) <sup>6</sup>            |
| Malthininae | <i>Malthinellus bicolor</i> KIESENWETTER, 1874                 | Present study                          |
|             | <i>Malthodes yakushimanus yakushimanus</i> N. TAKAHASHI, 2001  | N. TAKAHASHI (2001)                    |
| Silinae     | <i>Laemoglyptus pectinatus</i> (LEWIS, 1895)                   | M. SATÔ (1971)                         |

\* No collecting data. <sup>1</sup> Recorded as *Podabrus nakaoi*. <sup>2</sup> Recorded as *Athemus (Andrathemus) matsunagai*. <sup>3</sup> Recorded as *Telephorus suturellus*. <sup>4</sup> Recorded as *Telephorus vitellinus*. <sup>5</sup> Recorded as *Habronychus miyatakei*. <sup>6</sup> Recorded as *Cantharis badia*.

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*Specimen examined.* 1 ♀, Koyōji-rindō (110–130 m), Kurio, Yakushima Is., 28–V–2005, H. Inoue leg.

*Distribution.* Japan (Honshu, Sado Is., Awaji Is., Shikoku, Kyushu, Yaku Is. — New record); Korea.

Cantharid species, known from Yaku Island until now, were enumerated as presented in Table 1. Of the nine species listed herein, only two, *Macrohabronychus (Habronychus) miyatakei* and *Malthodes yakushimanus yakushimanus*, are endemic to the island, and the other seven are distributed in the Japanese mainland with their southernmost distributional end at Yaku Island.

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