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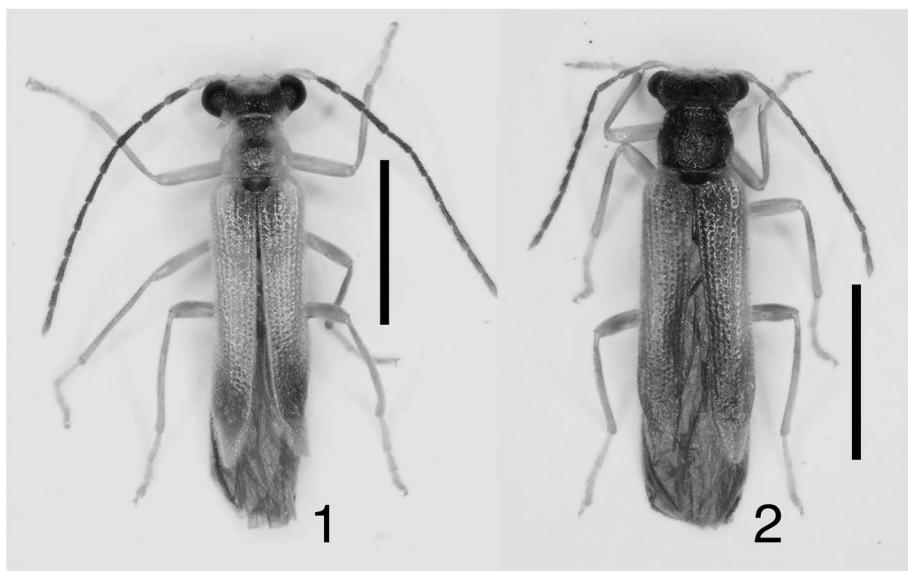
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Occurrence of *Malthinus nakanei* (Coleoptera, Cantharidae, Malthininae) on Fukué Island of the Gotô Islands, Southwest Japan

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Malthinus nakanei WITTMER, 1955 was described from Nagano Prefecture and has been known to occur in Honshu, Sado Island, Shikoku and Kyushu (SATÔ, 1985; IMASAKA & YAMAYA, 1993; YANO *et al.*, 2008). Although the species is slightly variable in general appearance such as body size and coloration (TAKAHASHI, pers. obs.) and an unnamed relative has been recorded (IMASAKA & NAKAMURA, 1993; TAKAHASHI *et al.*, 2001), a series of specimens collected from Fukué Island of the Gotô Islands, off western Kyushu, is identified with the



Figs. 1 & 2. *Malthinus nakanei* WITTMER, from Fukué Is. —— 1, Male; 2, female. Scales: 1.0 mm.

species at present. In this brief report, the collecting data are given below as its new distributional record.

***Malthinus nakanei* WITTMER, 1955**

[Japanese name: Usuba-tsumaki-jōkai]

(Figs. 1 & 2)

Malthinus nakanei WITTMER, 1955, 41 ("Kiso-Fukushima, Nagano Pref.", Honshu, Japan). — NAKANE, 1963, 173, pl. 87, fig. 7. — DELKESKAMP, 1977, 344 (in list). — IMASAKA & OGATA, 1983, 27 (recorded as *Malthinus japonicus*, misidentification). — SATŌ, 1985, 116, pl. 19, fig. 14. — IMASAKA & YAMAYA, 1993, 56, pl. 7, fig. 34, pl. 9, fig. 34 (new to Sado Is.). — TAKAHASHI, 1998, 45 (in list). — KAZANTSEV & BRANCUCCI, 2007, 281 (in list). — YANO *et al.*, 2008, 9, fig. 35.

Specimens examined. [Gotō Islands: Fukué Island] 18 ♂♂, 9 ♀♀ (1 ♂, 1 ♀ in copula), Mt. Nanatsu, 2–V–2007, N. TAKAHASHI leg.; 1 ♂, Mt. Sasa, 3–V–2007, N. TAKAHASHI leg.

Distribution. Japan: Honshu, Sado Is., Shikoku, Kyushu (mainland), Gotō Isls. (Fukué Is.) (new record).

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