

A New Distributional Record of *Creophilus flavipennis* HOPE, 1831 (Coleoptera, Staphylinidae) from Lanyu Is., Taiwan

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Creophilus LEACH, 1819 is a small genus including twelve large species. Of those many are distributed in the Southern Hemisphere, and only two species are widely distributed in the Eurasian Continent.

Creophilus flavipennis (HOPE, 1831) is widely distributed from New Guinea, the Sunda Islands, India through Southeast Asia, China (HERMAN, 2001; CLARK, 2011; SCHÜLKE & SMETANA, 2015; NEWTON, 2019) to Japan (Iriomotejima Is. in the Ryukyus; HAYASHI, 2013), but it has not yet been recorded from Taiwan. This is the first record of the species from Taiwan.

Creophilus flavipennis (HOPE, 1831)

(Fig. 1)

Specimens examined. [Taiwan: Lanyu Is.] 1 ♀, Hongtou (alt. 160 m), 25.VI.2019, W.-I CHOU leg.; 1 ♀, Zhongaiqiao, 24.VI.2019, W.-I CHOU leg.

Distribution. Taiwan: Lanyu Is. — new record; Japan: the Ryukyus (Iriomote-jima Is.); India; Nepal; Sri Lanka; Myanmar; Thailand; China: Qinghai; Laos; Vietnam; Malaysia: Sarawak; Philippines; Indonesia: Sumatra, Kalimantan, Lombok, Ceram, Buru, Batcian, Moluccas, Nias, Tanimbar and Sulawesi; New Guinea (?).

Notes. New to Taiwan. The hairs on scutellum are dark yellowish brown in the examined specimens from Lanyu Is. against light yellow in specimens from Southeast Asia and Japan.

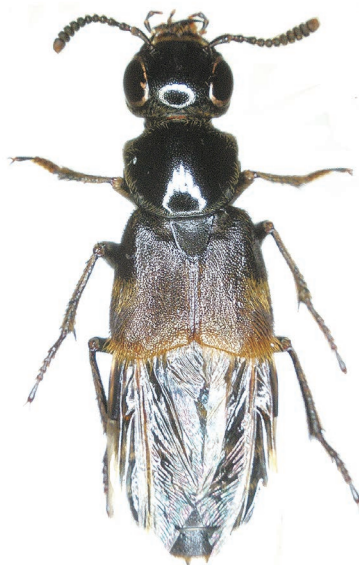


Fig. 1. Habitus of *Creophilus flavipennis* (HOPE) from Lanyu Is., Taiwan.

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