

***Neomecyslobus (Nipponomerus) masatakai* MORIMOTO et KOJIMA (Coleoptera, Curculionidae, Molytinae) New for Okinawajima Island, the Ryukyus, Japan**

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Neomecyslobus (Nipponomerus) masatakai MORIMOTO et KOJIMA, 2007, belonging to the tribe Mecysolobini of the subfamily Molytinae, has hitherto been recorded from the islands of Akusekijima, Amami-Ōshima, Ishigakijima and Yonagunijima in the Ryukyus (MORIMOTO & KOJIMA, 2007; KOJIMA & FUJISAWA, 2015). Ecology of this species is unknown except that several adults were collected by beating *Castanopsis sieboldii* (Fagaceae; Sudajii in Japanese) on Akusekijima Island in the Tokara Islands (KOJIMA & FUJISAWA, 2015). In the year 2020, one of us, TSUHA, collected this rare weevil on Okinawajima Island in the central Ryukyus. In this short report, we record it from the island for the first time.

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[Japanese name: Masataka-ashinaga-zōmushi]

Neomecyslobus (Nipponomerus) masatakai MORIMOTO & KOJIMA, 2007, 230 (type locality: “Mt. Bannadake, Ishigaki-jima, Ryukyus”; distribution: Amami-Ōshima Is., Ishigakijima Is. & Yonagunijima Is.). — ALONSO-ZARAZAGA, 2013, 484 (cataloged). — ALONSO-ZARAZAGA *et al.*, 2017, 474 (cataloged).

Merus (Nipponomerus) masatakai: KOJIMA & FUJISAWA, 2015, 519 (Akusekijima Is.; on *Castanopsis sieboldii*).

Specimen examined. Japan: the Ryukyus. 1 ex., Okinawajima Is., Kunigami-son, Iji, 18.VII.2020, S. TSUHA leg., by light trap.

Distribution. Japan: the Ryukyus (Akusekijima Is., Amami-Ōshima Is., Ishigakijima Is., and Yonagunijima Is.; Okinawajima Is. — new record).

Biological notes. The examined specimen was attracted at night to a light trap which was set in front of the secondary broad-leaved forest dominated by *Castanopsis sieboldii*.

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