

## New Record of *Melanoxanthus quadripunctatus* CANDÈZE (Coleoptera, Elateridae, Elaterinae, Megapenthini) from Malaysia

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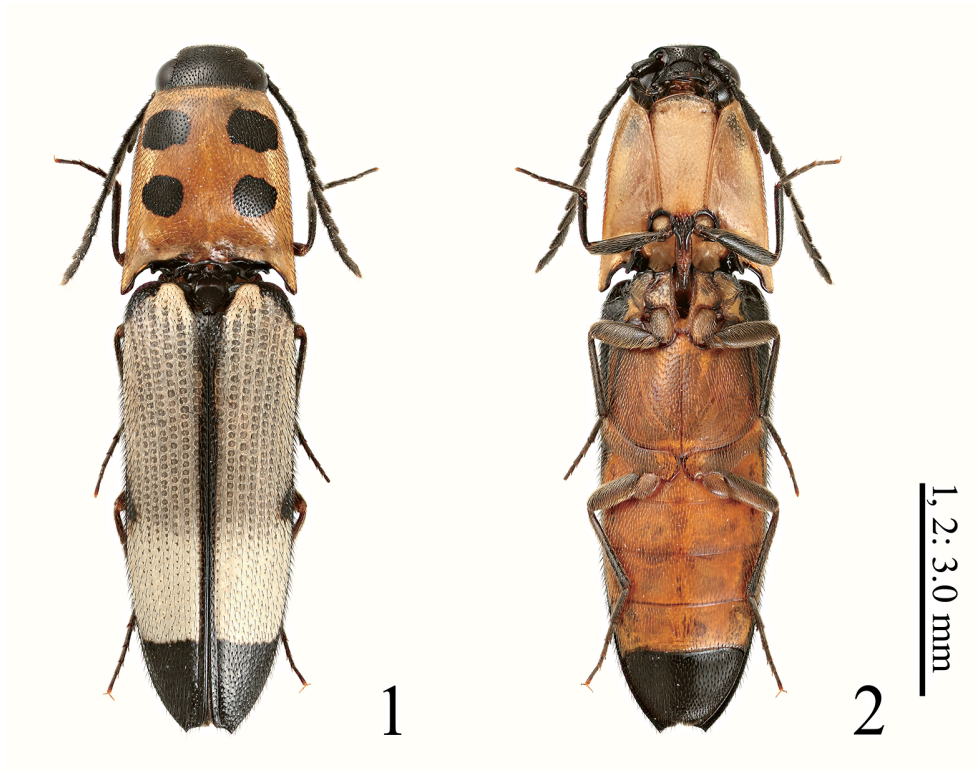
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*Melanoxanthus quadripunctatus* CANDÈZE, 1859 was described based on a female specimen from Java, Indonesia. SCHIMMEL (2004) redescribed this species based on the holotype and additional specimens from Sumatra, Indonesia and Thailand. I newly found a female specimen of this species from Peninsular Malaysia.

### *Melanoxanthus quadripunctatus* CANDÈZE, 1859

(Figs. 1–2)

*Melanoxanthus quadripunctatus* CANDÈZE, 1859: 515 (original description; type locality: Java, Indonesia). — SCHIMMEL, 2004: 354 (redescription; record from Sumatra, Indonesia and Thailand), 363 (photo of habitus).



Figs. 1–2. *Melanoxanthus quadripunctatus* CANDÈZE, 1859, from Malaysia, habitus. — 1, Dorsal view; 2, ventral view.

*Material examined.* 1 ♀, near Temenggor Lake, Gerik Subdistrict, Hulu Perak District, Perak State, West Malaysia (Peninsular Malaysia), Malaysia, 28.II.–10.III.2016, Takahiro YOSHIDA leg.

*Measurements.* Body length: 9.71 mm, body width: 2.50 mm, pronotal length including posterior angles: 2.98 mm, pronotal width: 2.50 mm, elytral length: 6.36 mm, elytral width: 2.45 mm.

*Variation.* The specimen shown in SCHIMMEL (2004) possesses the elytra with a median transverse black stripe, whereas on the specimen examined in this study, the stripe is almost completely missing.

*Distribution.* Thailand, Malaysia: Peninsular Malaysia (new record) and Indonesia: Java, Sumatra.

*Remarks.* The examined specimen was collected by a simple light trap in highland forest.

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