

***Auletanoides* gen. nov., new genus of the tribe Auletorhinini  
(Coleoptera: Rhynchitidae) from Indonesia**

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**Abstract.** A new genus *Auletanoides* gen. nov., similar to the genus *Auletanus* Voss, 1922 and a new species *Auletanoides sumbaensis* sp. nov. are described from Indonesia (Sumba Is.). A list of taxa of the supertribe Rhinocartitae is given.

## INTRODUCTION

Rhynchitid-beetles are composed of two groups (Legalov, 2004). Most taxa fall into the supertribe Rhynchititae. Few species belong to the primitive supertribe Rhinocartitae. This group consists of 5 tribes (Vossicartini, Proteugnamptini, Rhinocartini, Parauletanini, and Auletorhinini) with 22 recent species, which are distributed in tropical Africa, Madagascar and Reunion, South-east Asia, Sunda Islands, New Guinea and Australia (Legalov, 2007). Study of this group is necessary for understanding the phylogeny of the family Rhynchitidae. The tribe Auletorhinini is represented by 2 genera and 3 species. The Genus *Auletanus* Voss, 1922 was found in the Philippines and *Auletorhinus* Voss, 1935 is distributed in Maluku (Larat Is.) (Legalov, 2007). In materials given by R. Dunda, there were two new taxa that are described in this work. The present paper continues the author's research into primitive Rhynchitidae (Legalov, 2003, 2004, 2007, 2011).

## MATERIAL AND METHODS

Types are stored in the following collection and museum, respectively:  
NMPC National Museum, Prague, Czech Republic;  
RDP Radek Dunda, private collection, Chcebuž, Czech Republic.

## TAXONOMY

### Tribe Auletorninini Voss, 1935

#### Genus *Auletanoides* gen. nov.

(Figs 1-3)

**Type species:** *Auletanoides sumbaensis* sp. nov. (by monotypy).

**Diagnosis.** Body dark, with semierect setae; rostrum long, longer than pronotum, weakly curved; mandible with tooth at exterior margin; eyes large, strongly convex; frons wide; antennae long, reaching pronotum middle, located before rostrum basis; antennal club narrow, elongate, not compact; pronotum almost long-campaniform, with weakly curved sides; disk convex, punctured; scutellum wide-trapezoid; elytra almost rectangular, elongate; the greatest width in middle; humeri weakly smoothed; striae distinct; scutellar striole absent; thorax punctured; metepisternum narrow; abdomen convex; the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> ventrites wide; legs long; femora widened; tibiae almost straight; tarsi long; claws with long teeth; length of body: 4.4-4.5 mm.

Female unknown.

**Differential diagnosis.** This new genus is allied to the genus *Auletanus* Voss, 1922 but differs by the elytra with distinct rows of large punctures, another form of basal and bottom sclerites of the armament of the endophallus, short 3<sup>rd</sup> article of the antennal club, and dark body with distinct metal lustre.

**Ethymology.** The name is formed by addition of the ending “-ides” to “Auletanus”. Masculine gender.

#### *Auletanoides sumbaensis* sp. nov.

(Figs 1-3)

**Type material.** Holotype (♂): “Sumba East, Kananggar env., 600-800 m, 10.ii.2001, P. Votruba”, (NMPC). Paratype (♂): “Indonesia, Sumba ins., Wairing, i.2001, St. Ják”, (RDP).

**Description.** Body dark, black-brown, with semierect, light long setae. Elytra with bluish lustre. Length of body: 4.4-4.5 mm.

Rostrum long, 6.8-9.5 times as long as wide, 1.26-1.52 times as long as pronotum, weakly curved, widened to apex, very small and sparsely punctured. Mandible with tooth at exterior margin. Antennal attachment located before rostrum basis. Eyes large, strongly convex. Frons wide, convex, with small punctures. Temples short. Antennae long, reaching pronotum middle. Scapus and the 1<sup>st</sup> flagellomere elongate-oval, of almost equal length. Scapus much thicker than the 1<sup>st</sup> flagellomere. The 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> flagellomeres strongly elongated, baculiform, narrower. The 2<sup>nd</sup> flagellomere longer than the 1<sup>st</sup> flagellomere. The 3<sup>rd</sup> flagellomere hardly longer than the 2<sup>nd</sup> flagellomere. The 4<sup>th</sup> flagellomere shorter than the 3<sup>rd</sup> flagellomere. The 5<sup>th</sup> flagellomere shorter than the 4<sup>th</sup> flagellomere. The 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> flagellomeres elongate-trapezoid,

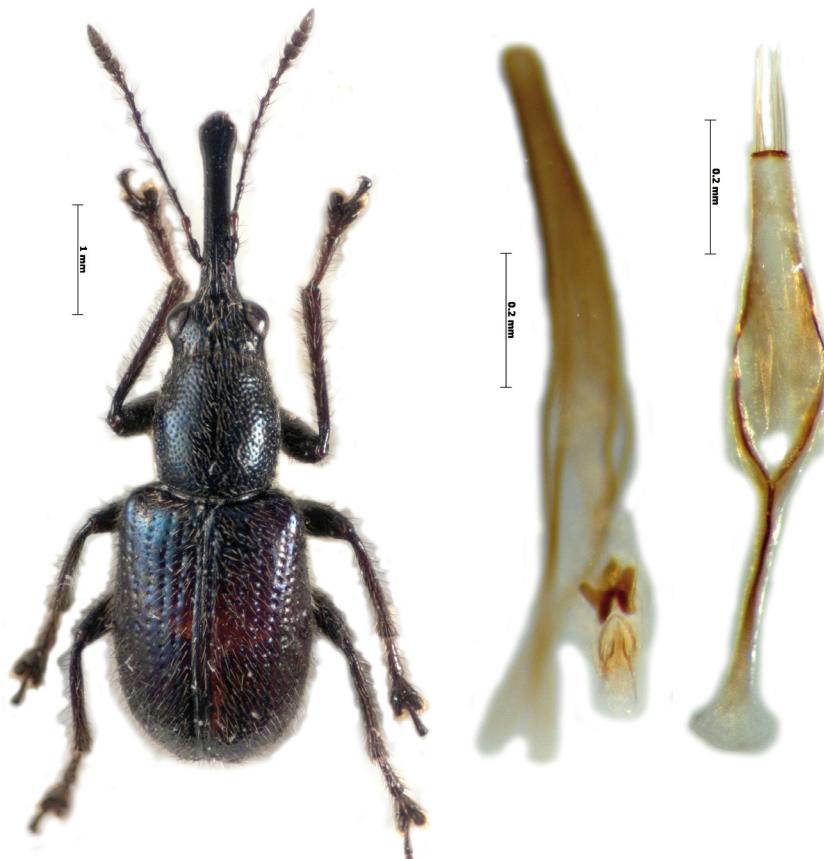
approximately of equal length. The 7<sup>th</sup> flagellomere hardly wider than 6<sup>th</sup> flagellomere. Club narrow, elongate, not compact, pointed. The 1<sup>st</sup> article almost trapezoid. The 2<sup>nd</sup> article almost square, as long as the 1<sup>st</sup> article. The 3<sup>rd</sup> article tear-shaped, as long as the 2<sup>nd</sup> article.

Pronotum almost long-campaniform, length/width = 1.0-1.13, with weakly curved sides, weakly narrowed toward basis and apex. Disk convex, largely and densely punctured, with smooth middle line. The greatest width in middle.

Scutellum wide-trapezoid.

Elytra almost rectangular, elongate, 1.44 times as longer than wide. The greatest width in middle. Humeri weakly smoothed. Striae distinct. Points in them large and thick. Scutellar striole absent. Penultimate striae not merging with last striae. Intervals wide, very weakly convex. Apex of elytra rounded, without sex patches.

Thorax sparsely punctured. Metepisternum narrow.



Figs 1-3. *Auletanoides sumbaensis* sp. nov.: 1- habitus (holotype); 2- aedeagus; 3- tegmen.

Abdomen convex. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> ventrites wide. The 2<sup>nd</sup> ventrite hardly wider than the 1<sup>st</sup> ventrite. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> ventrites narrower, narrower than the 2<sup>nd</sup> ventrite. The 5<sup>th</sup> ventrite narrow, narrower than the 4<sup>th</sup> ventrite.

Pygidium convex, punctured.

Legs long. Femora widened. Tibiae almost straight, weakly widened to apex. Protibiae narrow and long. Tarsi long. Protarsi hardly longer than meso- and metatarsi. The 1<sup>st</sup> tarsomere elongate-triangular. The 2<sup>nd</sup> tarsomere wide-triangular. The 3<sup>rd</sup> tarsomere bilobed. The 5<sup>th</sup> tarsomere elongate. Claws with long teeth.

Female unknown.

**Distribution.** Indonesia: Sumba Is.

**Etymology.** The name is derived from the location “Sumba” - “sumbaensis”.

### List of the recent species of the supertribe Rhinocartitae

**Supertribe Rhinocartitae Voss, 1931**

**Tribe Vossicartini Legalov, 2003**

**Genus *Vossicartus* Legalov, 2003**

*Vossicartus* Legalov, 2003: 79.

type species: *Rhinocartus bruncki* Voss, 1974

***Vossicartus bruncki* (Voss, 1974)**

*Rhinocartus bruncki* Voss, 1974: 398.

Distribution. South Africa.

***Vossicartus tanzanensis* Legalov, 2007**

*Vossicartus tanzanensis* Legalov, 2007: 29.

Distribution. Tanzania.

**Tribe Proteugnaptini Legalov, 2003**

**Subtribe Proteugnaptina Legalov, 2003**

**Genus *Proteugnaptus* Voss, 1939**

*Proteugnaptus* Voss, 1939: 446.

type species: *Proteugnaptus madagassus* Voss, 1939

***Proteugnaptus madagassus* Voss, 1939**

*Proteugnaptus madagassus* Voss, 1939: 447.

Distribution. Madagascar.

**Subtribe Eosalacina Legalov, 2007**

**Genus *Eosalacus* Legalov, 2007**

*Eosalacus* Legalov, 2007: 30.

type species: *Eosalacus reunionensis* Legalov, 2007

***Eosalacus reunionensis* Legalov, 2007**  
*Eosalacus reunionensis* Legalov, 2007: 30.  
Distribution. Reunion.

**Tribe Rhinocartini Voss, 1931**  
**Genus *Rhinocartus* Voss, 1922**  
*Rhinocartus* Voss, 1922: 17.  
type species: *Rhinocartus tessmanni* Voss, 1922

***Rhinocartus hovanus* Hustache, 1933**  
*Rhinocartus hovanus* Hustache, 1933: 122.  
Distribution. Madagascar.

***Rhinocartus tessmanni* Voss, 1922**  
*Rhinocartus tessmanni* Voss, 1922: 18.  
*Rhinocartus dahli* Voss, 1956: 1139.  
Distribution. Cameroon, Guinea, Zaire.

**Tribe Parauletanini Legalov, 2007**

**Genus *Parauletanus* Legalov, 2007**  
*Parauletanus* Legalov, 2007: 31.  
type species: *Auletanus disparatus* Voss, 1922

***Parauletanus disparatus* (Voss, 1922)**  
*Auletanus disparatus* Voss, 1922: 21.  
Distribution. Papua New Guinea.

**Genus *Zherichiniletus* Legalov, 2003**  
*Zherichiniletus* Legalov, 2003: 85.  
type species: *Auletobius mandibularis* Voss, 1922

***Zherichiniletus (Zherichiniletus) cinerascens* Legalov, 2007**  
*Zherichiniletus cinerascens* Legalov, 2007: 32.  
Distribution. Indonesia (Java).

***Zherichiniletus (Zherichiniletus) kabakovi* Legalov, 2003**  
*Zherichiniletus kabakovi* Legalov, 2003: 86.  
Distribution. Vietnam.

***Zherichiniletus (Zherichiniletus) luchti* Legalov, 2007**  
*Zherichiniletus luchti* Legalov, 2007: 32.  
Distribution. Indonesia (Sumatra).

***Zherichiniletus (Zherichiniletus) mandibularis* (Voss, 1922)**  
*Auletobius mandibularis* Voss, 1922: 32.  
Distribution. South India.

**Subgenus *Zherichiniletoides* Legalov, 2007**

*Zherichiniletoides* Legalov, 2007: 32.

type species: *Zherichiniletus horaki* Legalov, 2007

***Zherichiniletus (Zherichiniletoides) horaki* Legalov, 2007**

*Zherichiniletus horaki* Legalov, 2007: 32.

Distribution. Thailand.

***Zherichiniletus (Zherichiniletoides) ovatus* (Voss, 1922)**

*Auletobius ovatus* Voss, 1922: 31.

Distribution. The Philippines.

***Zherichiniletus (Zherichiniletoides) ponomarenkoi* Legalov, 2011**

*Zherichiniletus ponomarenkoi* Legalov, 2011: 94.

Distribution. Indonesia (South Kalimantan).

**Genus *Australetobius* Legalov, 2007**

*Australetobius* Legalov, 2007: 33.

type species: *Auletes nigritarsis* Pascoe, 1874

***Australetobius incostans* (Lea, 1910)**

*Auletes incostans* Lea, 1910: 41.

Distribution. Tasmania.

***Australetobius nigritarsis* (Pascoe, 1874)**

*Auletes nigritarsis* Pascoe, 1874: 389.

Distribution. Australia.

***Australetobius rubricollis* (Voss, 1922)**

*Auletobius rubricollis* Voss, 1922: 32.

Distribution. Australia.

**Genus *Afroauletanus* Legalov, 2007**

*Afroauletanus* Legalov, 2007: 33.

type species: *Afroauletanus mazumbaicus* Legalov, 2007

***Afroauletanus mazumbaicus* Legalov, 2007**

*Afroauletanus mazumbaicus* Legalov, 2007: 33.

Distribution. Tanzania.

**Tribe Auletorhinini Voss, 1935**

= *Auletanina* Legalov, 2003

**Genus *Auletanus* Voss, 1922**

*Auletanus* Voss, 1922: 17.

type species: *Auletobius ascendens* Heller, 1915

***Auletanus ascendens* (Heller, 1915)**

*Auletobius ascendens* Heller, 1915: 224.

Distribution. The Philippines.

***Auletanus tawitawensis* Legalov, 2007**

*Auletanus tawitawensis* Legalov, 2007: 33.

Distribution. The Philippines.

**Genus *Auletorhinus* Voss, 1935**

*Auletorhinus* Voss, 1935: 509.

type species: *Auletorhinus hirtellus* Voss, 1935

***Auletorhinus hirtellus* Voss, 1935**

*Auletorhinus hirtellus* Voss, 1935: 509.

Distribution. Indonesia (Maluku: Larat Is.).

**Genus *Auletanoides* gen. nov.**

type species: *Auletanoides sumbaensis* sp. nov.

***Auletanoides sumbaensis* sp. nov.**

Distribution. Indonesia (Sumba).

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