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New species of the genus *Lathrobium* Gravenhorst (Coleoptera: Staphylinidae: Paederinae) from Guangxi, South China

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Abstract

Six species of the genus *Lathrobium* Gravenhorst, 1802 from Guangxi, South China are described: *L. dayaoshanense* sp. n., *L. maoershanense* sp. n., *L. proprium* sp. n., *L. shengtangshanense* sp. n., *L. zhangdinghengi* sp. n. and *L. zhujianqingi* sp. n. Illustrations of major diagnostic features and a key to the species from Guangxi are provided.

Key words: Coleoptera, Staphylinidae, Lathrobium, new species, key, Guangxi, China

Introduction

Up to today, one species, Lathrobium miaoershanum Watanabe, 2011, has been known from Guangxi Province. In the neighbouring provinces, 17 species have been recorded from the Yunnan Province: Lathrobium yunnanum Watanabe, 1994, Lathrobium daliense Watanabe, 1994, Lathrobium naxii Watanabe, 1996, Lathrobium zhangi Watanabe, 1997, Lathrobium yinae Watanabe, 1997, Lathrobium lijiangense Watanabe, 1997, Lathrobium jizushanense Watanabe, 1997, Lathrobium dabeiense Watanabe, 1997, Lathrobium ailaoshanense Watanabe, 1997, Lathrobium aokii Watanabe, 2000, Lathrobium shuheii Watanabe, 2000, Lathrobium ishiianum Watanabe, 2000, Lathrobium itohi Watanabe, 2000, Lathrobium baizuorum Watanabe, 2000, Lathrobium xiei Watanabe, 2000, Lathrobium baihualingense Watanabe, 2000 and Lathrobium sinense Bernhauer, 1938; 1 species from Guizhou Province: Lathrobium guizhouensis Chen, 2005, and 2 species from Hunan Province: Lathrobium kishimotoi Watanabe, 2011, and Lathrobium hunanense Watanabe, 2011.

In 2011, we surveyed the staphylinid fauna of several nature reserves in Guangxi Province (Maoershan, 25°51'N, 110°25'E; Huaping, 25°36'N, 109°55'E; Shengtangshan, 23°58'N, 110°05'E; and Dayaoshan, 24°08'N, 110°10'E), and collected numerous *Lathrobium* specimens. Six species, all of them new, are described in this paper.

Material and methods

The following abbreviations are used in the text, with all measurements in millimeters:

Body length (BL): length of the body from anterior margin of the labrum to apex of abdomen;

Head length (HL): length of the head from the anterior margin of clypeus to base of head.

Head width (HW): maximum width of the head.

Pronotum length (PL): length of the pronotum along the midline.

Pronotum width (PW): maximum width of the pronotum.

Elytra length (EL): length of the elytra from the apex of the scutellum to the apex of the elytra.

The type materials is deposited in the Insect Collection of Shanghai Normal University (SNUC).