



Fig. 16. *Pheidole fervens* Fr. Smith (Eg96-BOR-009): A, major, head in full-face view; B, same, head in profile; C, same, alitrunk and waist in profile; D, minor, head in full-face view; E, same, alitrunk and waist in profile.

SL 0.82-0.86 mm, FL 1.10-1.17 mm, CI 96-98, SI 65-69, FI 88-91. Head broadest at $3/5$ - $2/3$ distance of head (as measured from the mid-point of a transverse line spanning the anteriormost and posteriormost projecting points, respectively (cf. Fig. 2A)); posterior margin of head in full-face view weakly concave (Fig. 16A); head in profile not impressed on vertex (Fig. 16B). Hypostoma with three indistinct median processes. Clypeus without a median longitudinal carina, with anterior margin emarginate medially. Eye situated just behind $1/3$ distance of head; distance between mandibular insertion and anterior margin of eye 1.3-1.4 times as long as maximal diameter of eye. Frontal carina distinct, extending backward to $3/4$ - $4/5$ distance of head. Antennal scrobe inconspicuous, running along frontal carina. Antenna with 3-segmented club; scape extending backward to about $3/4$ distance of head; terminal segment ca. 0.9 times as long as preceding two segments together. Masticatory margin of mandible with apical and preapical teeth, and a denticle in front of basal angle. Promesonotal dome with a low prominence on its posterior declivity (Fig. 16C); the prominence in anterior view not concave medially. Mesopleuron without a distinct transverse impression. Propodeal spine horn-like, straight or slightly curved, 2-2.5 times as long as diameter of propodeal spiracle. Petiole cuneiform, 1.3-1.5 times as long as postpetiole (excluding helcium); petiolar node in posterior view not emarginate at apex. Postpetiole in dorsal view subpentagonal, ca. 1.8 times as broad as petiolar node.

Frons to vertex longitudinally rugose, with interspaces very weakly punctured and weakly shining; dorsal and lateral faces of occipital lobe rugoso-reticulate, with enclosures weakly punctured and weakly shining; antennal scrobe punctured; area between antennal scrobe and subocular level largely reticulate, with enclosures punctured and dull; promesonotum smooth and shining with several short rugulae; mesopleuron and lateral face of propodeum punctured; petiole (excluding smooth and shining anterodorsal face) and lateral face of postpetiole slightly punctured; dorsum of postpetiole, and gaster smooth and shining. Outer face of mandible sparsely covered with short appressed hairs, which are 0.04-0.06 mm in length and a little shorter than distance between piligerous punctures; submarginal zone of masticatory margin of mandible with a row of appressed to decumbent hairs. Body brown with darker gaster.