

***Pheidole sinaitica* MAYR 1862**

Queens, Al Kowd, VII.1999, in light-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & AL HARURI; workers, near Sana'a, under stone, 18.II.1999; queen and workers, Ta'izz, IV.1998, in light-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & AWAD.

***Pheidole teneriffana* FOREL 1893**

Queens, Ta'izz, IV.1998, in light-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & AWAD.

***Pheidole* spp.**

Many *Pheidole* males occurred in the Malaise- and light-traps, but at present could not be identified to species.

***Tetramorium jizane* COLLINGWOOD 1985**

Workers, Lahj, VIII.1998, in Malaise-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & SALLAM; queen and workers, Ta'izz, V.1998, in light-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & AWAD.

***Tetramorium khyarum* BOLTON 1980**

Worker, Lahj, X.1998, in Malaise-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & SALLAM.

***Tetramorium sericeiventre* EMERY 1877**

Workers, Khamis Bani Sa'd, 27.VII.1999, in leaf litter, leg. VAN HARTEN; queens and workers, Lahj, VIII.1998, X.1998, in Malaise-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & SALLAM; males, queens and workers, Sana'a, III-IV.1998, in pitfall-traps, leg. VAN HARTEN; males and queens, Ta'izz, IV.1998, V.1998, in light-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & AWAD.

***Tetramorium yemene* COLLINGWOOD & AGOSTI 1996**

Workers, Khamis Bani Sa'd, 23.VI.1999, leg. VAN HARTEN; males and queens, Lahj, VIII.1998, in Malaise-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & SALLAM.

***Oligomyrmex arabicus* sp. n. (Figs. 2, 3, 4)**

Workers, Al Kowd, VIII.1999, in light-trap, leg. VAN HARTEN & AL HARURI. Holotype: major worker; paratypes: 7 minor workers;

**Major worker:** Total length 2.53 mm, head length 0.75 mm, head width 0.36 mm, scape length 0.63 mm. Eyes minute.

Head long subrectangular with prominent occipital outgrowths at each corner, appearing as blunt teeth in lateral view (Fig. 2). Propodeum with short blunt teeth. Promesonotal dorsal outline simply rounded; metanotal furrow deep with a rounded upright prominence (Fig. 3). Petiole and postpetiole broader than long in dorsal view, petiole broadly triangular in profile. All surfaces with short raised hairs. Head longitudinally striate becoming cross striate at occiput; rest of body almost without sculpture, shining. Colour pale yellowish brown.

**Minor worker:** Total length 1.3 mm, head length 0.42 mm, head width 0.30 mm, scape length 0.25 mm.

Sides of head smoothly rounded, occiput broadly emarginate, almost straight. Propodeum obliquely angled, not dentate, distinctly lower than the promesonotum (Fig. 4). Metanotal furrow deep, nodes simple. Head with sparse decumbent pubescence. Dorsal hairs restricted to clypeal border and gaster apex. Colour uniformly shining yellow.

This is the first record for the genus in Arabia and Yemen. The small workers do not resemble examples from adjacent African territories.

## Subfamily Dolichoderinae

***Axinidris* sp. (Figs. 5, 6)**

Worker, Ta'izz, 8.X.1991, leg. VAN HARTEN.

A single worker of the relatively unknown genus *Axinidris* WEBER 1941 was collected at Ta'izz. This genus with only a few species has hitherto only been recorded from Sahelian Africa.

Total length 1.8 mm, head width 0.44 mm, scape length 0.36 mm. The head (Fig. 6) is rounded heart shaped with a deep occipital emargination. The clypeal border is emarginate. The propodeum has two small tooth-like suberect processi. The alitrunk dorsum is rather flat but with distinct promesonotal and metanotal sutures. The propodeal