

1. Smaller size, with narrower head and proportionately large eyes, which are less widely separated relative to their maximum diameter; postpetiole slightly longer than broad in dorsal view (length $1.05 \times$ width). (The relevant dimensions of *gressitti* are: TL ca. 6.4 mm; CI 81; OI 38; eyes separated by $1.53 \times$ their maximum diameter; postpetiole length 0.70 mm, width 0.75 mm — length $0.93 \times$ width.)

2. Transverse occipital carina lacking distinct ribs along its anterior edge.

3. Lateral suturation of mesosoma complete, but less distinct. Transverse ribbing vestigial on dorsal promesonotal suture and lacking on dorsal mesometanotal suture.

4. Transverse anterior petiolar carina without ribs.

5. Sides of postpetiole, in dorsal view, almost parallel, very feebly divergent posteriorly.

6. Body entirely smooth and shining, except for some vestigial fine longitudinal striae on frontal carinae, and scaly microsculpture on sides of pronotum and propodeum, and on metepisternal areas.

7. Post-cephalic ground pilosity more abundant. Very fine short reclinate to suberect hairs scattered on dorsum of mesosoma, most abundant on sides of propodeal dorsum. Similar pilosity moderately abundant on dorsa of petiole and postpetiole. Single, more erect, but barely longer hairs at midlength of each frontal carina and above each eye, but not elsewhere. No subpetiolar "brush" developed; only 2 hairs break the subpetiolar profile.

The mandibular dentition is worn but was probably originally like that of *bakeri*, as described by Menozzi. The legs are damaged; so details of the tibial and tarsal armament are not known.

Relationships. See below under *S. bakeri*.

Simopone bakeri Menozzi

Simopone bakeri Menozzi, 1926, Atti Soc. Nat. Mat. Modena, (6) 4: 92 (1925), worker. Type locality: Singapore.

The notes below are based on the unique holotype, which has the following dimensions (in mm, see preceding description for explanation of symbols): TL ca. 5.6; HL 1.00; HW 0.65; CI 65; maximum eye diameter 0.32; OI 49; minimum interocular distance 0.32 (equal to eye diameter); PW 0.58; WL 1.36; petiolar node length at midline 0.72; maximum petiolar node width 0.62; postpetiolar length at midline 0.73; maximum width of postpetiole 0.65. Close to *chapmani* and *gressitti*, and agreeing with the original description of the latter, except in the following characters: