

carinæ short. Antennæ slender; scapes curved but not flattened at the base, reaching nearly to the posterior corners of the head; club as long as the remainder of the funiculus, its terminal joint a little longer than either of its subequal basal joints; all the remaining funicular joints distinctly longer than broad. Thorax rather slender, as long as the head and half as broad, a little broader in front than behind, with rounded humeri, lacking the tubercles. In profile the pronotum is convex and separated by a narrow transverse constriction from the mesonotum which is transversely convex and separated by a still deeper and broader constriction from the epinotum. Base of epinotum longer than the declivity, the former horizontal and feebly convex, the latter sloping and somewhat concave; spines small, slender, subparallel, rather blunt, longer than broad at their bases, further apart than long and directed upward at right angles with the base of the epinotum. Petiole slender, seen from above a little broader behind than in front, about three times as long as broad, its sides feebly concave; in profile the node is very low and angular, with long and somewhat angularly concave anterior and very short and rather straight posterior surface. Postpetiole small, nearly as long as broad, about half again as broad as the petiole, subrectangular, somewhat broader in front where it is obtusely angular on each side. Gaster elliptical, distinctly smaller than the head. Legs long and slender.

Mandibles, clypeus, frontal area and occipital groove shining; the mandibles finely and very sparsely punctate, the clypeus longitudinally rugulose. Remainder of head opaque, except the extreme posterior corners which are shining in some specimens; upper surface and sides rather densely longitudinally rugose, with finely and densely punctate interrugal spaces. Antennal foveæ concentrically rugose. Thorax, petiole, postpetiole and basal half of first gastric segment opaque, finely and densely punctate, the pronotum also with a number of transverse rugæ. Legs and remaining portions of gaster smooth and shining. Antennal scapes subopaque.

Hairs gray, moderately long, abundant on the head and thorax, sparser on the gaster; suberect or more or less appressed on the body and scapes; on the legs shorter and oblique.

Black or dark piceous brown; mandibles and clypeus ferruginous, bordered with black; head often ferruginous above but in most specimens concolorous with the thorax; scapes dark brown; funiculi, tarsi and articulations of the legs yellowish.

*Worker.* Length 2–2.5 mm.

Head elliptical, without the mandibles a little longer than broad, distinctly narrowed and constricted at the occiput which is marginate. Eyes near the middle of the sides. Mandibles slender, with two small, acute apical and a few minute and indistinct basal teeth. Clypeus convex, with rounded, entire anterior border. Antennal scapes slender, reaching half their length beyond the occipital border of the head. Thorax and petiole similar to those of the soldier, but the epinotal spines are shorter and the promesonotal constriction feebler. Postpetiole nearly spherical, but little broader than the petiole. Gaster about the same size as the head. Legs long and slender.

Mandibles, frontal area and front smooth and shining; remainder of head, thorax, petiole, postpetiole and base of first gastric segment opaque, finely and densely punctate; legs, antennæ and tip of gaster shining.

Hairs similar to those of the soldier but much less abundant and conspicuous and less appressed on the head and thorax.