

Leptogenys (Lobopelta) langi, new species

Figure 1

WORKER.—Length, 3.5–4 mm.

Head about one-fourth longer than broad, distinctly broader in front than behind, with straight sides, rounded posterior corners and nearly straight posterior border. Eyes moderately large, very feebly convex, situated about their own length from the anterior border of the head. Mandibles about two-thirds as long as the head, narrowed at the base and gradually enlarged and somewhat spatulate at the tip, edentate except for the short, acute and scarcely curved terminal tooth; the

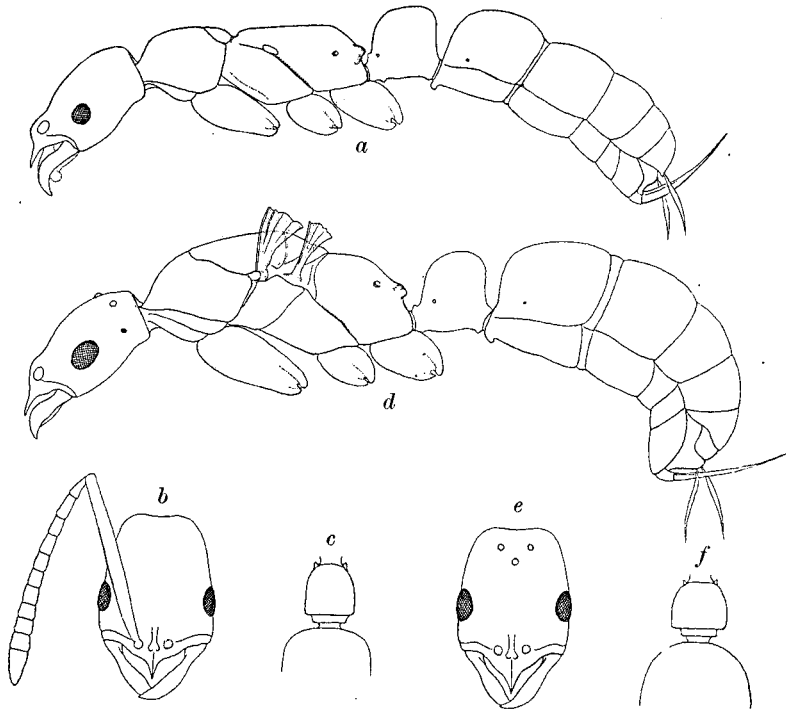


Fig. 1. *Leptogenys (Lobopelta) langi*, new species.

a, worker in profile; b, head; c, petiole, seen from above; d, female in profile, with wings removed; e, head; f, petiole, seen from above.

external border nearly straight. Clypeus strongly carinate, distinctly concave in profile, in the middle produced as a narrow, acute spine, its lateral borders concave and feebly bisinuate. Frontal carinae rather prominent. Antennae moderately stout, the scapes somewhat enlarged distally and surpassing the posterior corners of the head by a little over one-fourth their length; the three basal joints of the funiculus subequal, about twice as long as broad, the second slightly longer than the first and third; joints 5–7 shorter, about one and one-half times as long as