

This beautiful little ant may be readily recognized by its very peculiar nodeless petiole, which is unlike that of any known Formicid. In other respects it very closely resembles certain species of *Prenolepis* and *Paratrechina* (of the subgen. *Euprenolepis*). Until the female and male have been discovered it will be difficult to decide whether *Aphantolepis* is to be regarded as an independent genus or as a subgenus of *Paratrechina*.