

petiole, nearly twice as broad as long, elliptical and strongly convex but lower than the petiolar node. Gaster about as large as the head, broadly and regularly elliptical, anterior border of first segment concave. Femora incrassated in the middle, tibiae stout and clavate.

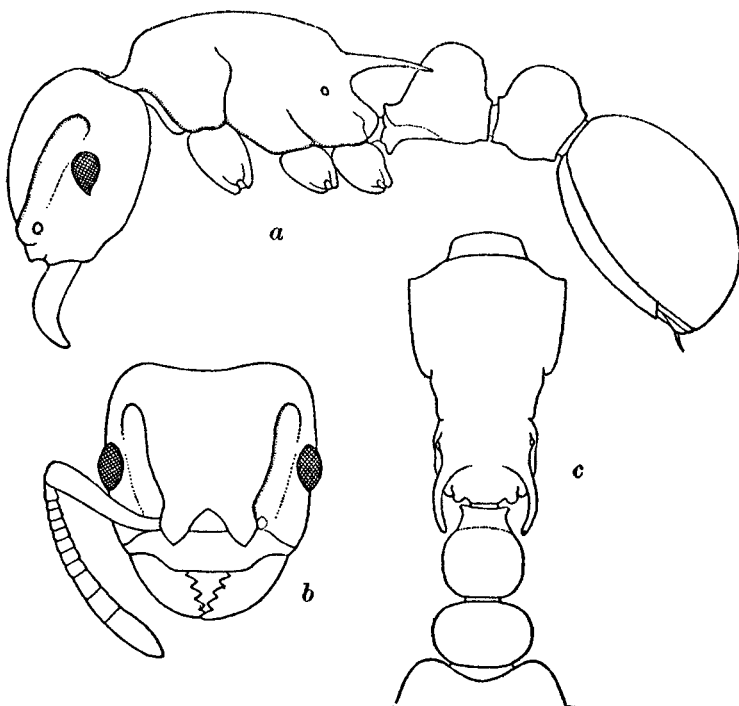


Figure 2. *Romblonella grandinodis* sp. nov.

Worker: *a*, lateral aspect; *b*, head, dorsal aspect; *c*, thorax and pedicel, dorsal aspect.

Subopaque; mandibles, antennae, coxae and legs distinctly shining. Mandibles coarsely longitudinally striate and sparsely punctate; remainder of body very finely and sharply reticulate, with the minute spaces between the reticulations shining under a high magnification and with the following superimposed rugosity: Head reticulate-rugose, the main rugae between the frontal carinae and on the broad median portion of the clypeus regular