

of frontal carina, reticulum obsolete and interspace sculpturing relatively feeble. On sides of head, laterad to level of eye, reticulum progressively reduced to a system of scattered piligerous foveae, which become further reduced on gula to small piligerous punctures. Pronotal dorsum covered by moderately abundant piligerous foveae; posterior face of propodeum very feebly shagreened and feebly shining; remainder of alitrunk bearing scattered piligerous punctures, its surface mostly smooth and moderately shining. Petiolar dorsum rugose-reticulate, with finely punctate reticular interspaces; reticulum grading into piligerous foveolae on sides. Postpetiole and gaster bearing scattered piligerous punctures, which are distinctly more abundant on postpetiole; most of surface of these tagmata smooth and moderately shining.

Entire body uniformly covered with long (mostly 0.06-0.30 mm), coarse, suberect, yellowish brown hairs. Appendages covered with somewhat sparser, predominantly oblique, but otherwise similar, pilosity. Petiolar and postpetiolar sternites, and anterior and posterior faces of petiole covered in addition by an appressed, greyish pubescence.

Body uniformly piceous brown. Appendages a lighter shade of dark reddish brown.

*Paratype, worker*: HW 0.85 mm. In external morphology this specimen nearly identical to holotype.

Holotype, worker (MCZ), Lower Busu River, near Lae, NE New Guinea, 28 April 1955, Wilson acc. no. 884. Paratype, worker, same locality, 3 May 1955, acc. no. 914.

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The two type workers were collected as strays from the floor of primary lowland rain forest.

#### 8. *Cerapachys (Syscia) papuana* (Emery)

*Ooceraea papuana* Emery, 1897, Termész. Fü. 20: 594, pl. 15, figs. 42, 43 [worker; original localities: Mt. Hansemann and Berlinhafen (Aitape), NE New Guinea].

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The supposed distinction between *papuana* and the closely related *pusilla* (Emery) (New Guinea) and *pawa* Mann (Solomons) cited in the key are derived from the original descriptions and may prove invalid when more material is available. The diagnostic characters involving petiolar proportions and extent of cephalic sculpturing may be simply expressions of intraspecific allometric variation.

#### 9. *Cerapachys (Syscia) pawa* Mann, NEW STATUS

*Cerapachys (Syscia) pusilla* subsp. *pawa* Mann, 1919, Mus. Comp. Zool., Bull. 63: 277 (worker; type locality: Ugi I., Solomons).  
(See under *papuana*).

#### 10. *Cerapachys (Syscia) pusilla* (Emery)

*Ooceraea pusilla* Emery, 1897, Termész. Fü. 20: 595 (worker; type locality: Mt. Hansemann, NE New Guinea).  
(See under *papuana*).