

which have workers with elongate heads and drawn-out yet not necklike occiput, but even these have as a rule bristly pilosity and their soldiers show a head shape completely different from that of *branneri*, *Pseudocolobopsis* and a few *Myrmaphaenus*.

Following Emery's logic in establishing avowedly artificial subgeneric cuts in order to handle with more ease the enormous wealth of species in *Camponotus*, *branneri* would certainly qualify for separate subgeneric rank. However, I prefer to leave it as an isolated, highly distinctive species with uncertain relationship to the already recognized subgenera.

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