

border of head; funicular segments 3 through 7 broader than long, last funicular segment approximately 3 times length of preceding segment. Eye prominent, moderately convex, placed approximately one-half its greatest diameter from base of mandible. Frontal carinae short, subparallel, scarcely divergent posteriorly. Frontal area triangular, very small, but distinct. Clypeus somewhat similar to that of *venustula*. Mandible with 2 prominent apical and 3 or 4 smaller basal teeth. Prothorax with distinct subangular humeri. Promesonotal suture missing. MesoePINOTAL impression absent or very weakly developed. Epinotal spines short, scarcely longer than one-half their interapical space. Petiole, from above, subglobular. Postpetiole approximately one and one-third times as broad as long, with almost straight anterior and posterior borders and very convex sides. Base of gaster meeting sides in very slightly perceptible angles; first segment occupying most of gaster.

Mandible more or less shining in spite of the scattered, piligerous punctures. Clypeus longitudinally rugulose. Head, thorax, petiole, and postpetiole reticulate-punctate. Punctures on side of thorax dense. Gaster smooth and shining.

Pubescence fine, grayish, closely appressed, in some lights appearing rather dense on head and gaster. A few erect hairs on mandibles, clypeus, and posterior section of gaster.

Head usually dark brown but apparently never so dark as the gaster, which varies from a very dark brown to black. Thorax, petiole, postpetiole, legs, and antennae lighter. Antennal funiculus usually infuscated, especially in the region of the club.

Description based largely on workers from Pensacola, Fla., collected by R. M. Lhamon and F. F. Bibby.

*Female*.—Length 2.25–2.5 mm. Similar to worker except for its larger size, more angular humeri, slightly broader postpetiole (one and one-half times its length), much darker and more nearly uniform color of body, more apparent pubescence, and more coarsely sculptured body, especially the thorax. There are also unusually small ocelli on the head.

Description drawn from two females collected at Kunia, Island of Oahu, Territory of Hawaii, by Kiyoshi Ito.

*Male*.—Unknown. Will very probably be of the ergatoid (*b*) type.

The worker of this small species can be distinguished by its more or less subglobular petiolar node, absent or very weakly developed mesoePINOTAL impression, short epinotal spines, subangular humeri, and color, in which the head is usually dark brown, the gaster even darker, and the appendages and remainder of the body lighter than either.

Phillips (1934, *ibidem*) says that the colonies of this species are very small; one found in grassland contained only 20 or 30 individuals. He states that Williams has observed nests in compost heaps. At Pensacola, Fla., workers were collected from holly but no statement was made as to their nesting site.