

Subnitid. Gaster shining. Mandibles coarsely punctate. Head, thorax and node finely and densely reticulate, with some isolated, shallow punctures.

Hair reddish, erect, moderately abundant throughout, very short on the legs, none on the antennae. The middle and posterior tibia and tarsi with some longer bristle-like hairs. Pubescence hardly apparent except on the antennae.

Head broader than long, much broader behind than in front, the occipital border deeply concave, the sides strongly convex. Frontal carinae swerving outward in the middle, twice as long as their distance apart. Clypeus broad and convex, without a carina, the anterior border convex and feebly crenulate; there is a deep fovea at each side near the front. Eyes large, rather flat, placed near the posterior third of the sides. Scapes extending beyond the occipital border by one third of their length; second and third segments of the funiculus almost twice as long as the first, the others subequal. Mandibles large, triangular, armed with six or seven irregular teeth. Thorax twice as long as broad. Pronotum almost twice as broad as long, strongly convex on the sides. Mesonotum slightly longer than broad, feebly convex laterally; in profile the mesonotum and pronotum form an even arch. There is a wide, but not deep, constriction between the mesonotum and epinotum, the spiracles large, placed on the dorsal surface of the constriction. Epinotum as long as broad, strongly convex laterally; in profile the dorsum almost straight, the declivity abrupt, as long as the dorsum, subbordered above and on the sides. Node as long as broad in front, all four sides convex; in profile twice as high as long, inclined forward, the anterior face straight, the dorsum and posterior face united in a curve. Gaster longer than broad. Legs long and slender.

*Worker minor*.—Length, 11-14 mm.

Colour, sculpture and pilosity as in the major.

Head slightly longer than broad, as broad in front as behind, the occipital border produced as a short narrow neck, sides convex. Clypeus and frontal carinae as in the major. Eyes large and convex, at the posterior third of the sides. Scapes passing the occipital border by two-thirds of their length; second and third segments of the funiculus almost twice as long as the first. Mandibles armed with six strong, sharp teeth. Thorax fully three times longer than broad. Pronotum one-fifth longer than broad, twice as broad behind as in front. Mesonotum almost circular. The constriction between the mesonotum and epinotum very wide, the spiracles large, placed well on top of the dorsum. Epinotum one-third longer than broad; in profile feebly convex longitudinally, the declivity abrupt, almost at a right angle, rounded into the above. Node twice as long as broad, broader in front than behind, the sides and anterior border convex; in profile as high as long, the anterior face straight, inclined forward, the dorsum and posterior face united in a curve. The rest as in the major.