



Figs. 1-8 *Pheidole* major workers and minor workers

1-2 *P. aphраста* sp. nov. 3-5 *P. longiscapa* sp. nov. 6-8 *P. flavaria* sp. nov. 1, 3, 6 head in frontal view (major) 2, 4, 7 body in profile view 5, 8 head in frontal view (minor)

vaguely rugose, less shining; head sparsely rugose anteriorly, densely reticulate posteriorly, meshes large. Erect hairs denser on head, sparser on alitrunk, moderate on gaster. Pale yellow.

Holotypes major worker and minor worker, Huaping Natural Conservation (26.6°N, 101.2°E), Guangxi, 6. VII. 1995, collected by ZHOU Shan-Yi. Paratypes: 2 major workers, 13 minor workers, data as holotypes.

This new species is closely related to *P. funkikoensis* Wheeler, but differs from the later in: 1) major worker with its head longer than broad; 2) clypeus not carinate; and 3) minor worker with its head reticulate posteriorly.

4 *Pheidole hongkongensis* Wheeler, new status

Pheidole rinae subsp. *hongkongensis* Wheeler, 1928. *Boll. Lab. Zool. Gen. Agr. Portici*, 22: 11

Pheidole rinae subsp. *hongkongensis* Wheeler: Wu, 1941. *Cat. Ins. Sin.*, 6: 155

This species differ from *P. rinae* Emery in: 1) scapes of antennae short, reaching only to middle of sides of head; 2) reticulations of occipital corners with small meshes; and 3) propodeal spines stout, erect, postpetiole more than twice as broad as long. The characters are distinct, so it is appropriate to regard *P. hongkongensis* as a species.

Specimens examined: 18 specimens (3 major workers and 6 minor workers from 3 colonies) from the following localities: Nanning City, Yulin City, Rong'an County of Guangxi.