

carinate with numerous small carinae diverging towards posterior which do not extend beyond base of tergite. First gastral sternite basally glassy-smooth with no trace of carinae. Remainder of gaster glassy smooth (even at high magnifications), with scattered piligerous punctures. Setae on head moderately dense, decumbent to appressed (a few suberect setae scattered throughout), setae on clypeus erect, setae on mandible and scape decumbent to appressed (also appressed on funiculus). Setae on alitrunk dorsum and side suberect to decumbent, setae on legs decumbent to appressed. Setae of petiolar dorsum of sternal and anterior surface of node appressed, erect to decumbent on remainder of node dorsum. Setae on postpetiolar node decumbent to appressed, suberect to erect on venter. Setae on gaster suberect to decumbent. Head piceous brown, darkening towards alitrunk. Appendages yellow brown to yellow. Eyes black. Alitrunk, petiole, postpetiole and gaster piceous brown, gaster lightening towards distal end (near genitalia). Visible parts of genitalia yellow brown. Setae white to gray.

DISCUSSION

Arnol'di briefly described the range and habitat of this species:

"Mountain Range Tyan-Shan: Fergansky, Chatkalsky, Karzan-Tau (worker), many paratypes (Chatcul, Arkit, IX 1945, K. Arnol'di). Large population of workers and females inhabits Kara-Alma and Kizil-Ungur, VI - VII 1945, males inhabit near Humsan, V 1974 (Yanushev)."

"This species is widespread in the southern ranges of Tyan-Shan, 1300 to 2300 meters above sea level; it is numerous in the nut forests of Fergan Range, particularly in the mixed nut-fir forests of Chatcul near Sara-Chilek Lake and further down." (Arnol'di, 1975: 1821 - 1822. Translation by S. Goldgof).

LECTOTYPE DESIGNATION

After examining the type series of *S. picetojuglandeti*, I noted that no specimen is clearly designated holotype or "type." There are 6 specimens on one pin with a label of "Holotypus." Since Arnol'di cited several localities in his original description and since numerous specimens are included on each pin, I designate the middle worker on the above mentioned pin as lectotype and have attached a red, partly handwritten label (*Stenamma picetojuglandeti* LECTOTYPE (middle worker)). It is a fairly typical specimen and is covered with significantly less glue than other specimens.

COMPARISONS

Several other species have been described from south central Russia