

Material studied: USSR, Turkestan: Staraja prist. bl. Džilikulja, Vahš, several spec., 14–25. VI. 1944, GUSSAKOVSKI. – Distribution: Central Asia.

Easily distinguished in the body form, in the shape and length of the 2nd antennal joint and in the shape of the pronotum.

4. *P. ponderosus* n. sp.

Fig. 1 d. ♀. Length 4 mm. As *P. sinuaticollis*, but smaller and robuster, body $3.1 \times$ as long as broad; head and pronotum somewhat darker; head $1.3 \times$ as broad as long; crown twice as broad as eye; proportions between antennal joints $8 + 35 + 15 + 13$, 2nd joint $1.13 \times$ as long as basal width of pronotum, 3rd joint $0.43 \times$ as long as 2nd; pronotum much shorter and broader, $1.6 \times$ as broad as long and hair covering of upper surface longer and erect.

Material studied: Sardinia: Cristano, 1 ♀ (type), 13. VI. 1949, SERVADEI. – Recorded as *P. sinuaticollis* by SERVADEI (1952, p. 454).

Easily distinguished from the other European species with erect hair covering by the light cinnamon colouring, the distinct apical thickening of the 2nd antennal joint and the shape of the pronotum.

5. *P. lucidus* n. sp.

♂. Length 3.5 mm. Head, pronotum and scutellum blackish brown, distinctly shining. Antennae yellow-brown, joints apically darkened. Scutellum with 3 groups of silvery hairs. Elytra dull cinnamon, with silvery bands as in *P. setulosus*, entire corium and apex of clavus behind the posterior silvery band shining and

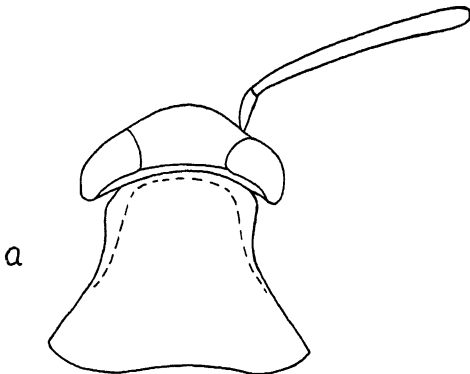


Fig. 2. *Pilophorus lucidus* n. sp.: a head and pronotum. – Orig.

dark brown; cuneus also shining; membrane dark smoky. Under surface blackish; abdomen with an oblique silvery hair group on either side. Coxae yellowish;