



Fig. 38. *Orthotylus compactus* Linnavuori: a) pygofer, lateral view; b) right style; c) left style. — *Mecomma angusticollis* Linnavuori: d) male head and pronotum, dorsal view; e–f) right style. — After Linnavuori 1973 and 1975.

Biology: Swept from a mountain meadow.

Etymology: Greek mythology; Kharon (Charon), the ferryman of Hades.

edentate, sharp-tipped. Short vesical process small, edentate.

Distribution: Known from Zaire (Katanga).

#### *Mecomma angusticollis* Linnavuori

Figs. 38–39

*Mecomma angusticollis* Linnavuori 1973:84–85.

Types: Zaire: Katanga, Lubumbashi, ♂ holotype, 1♀ paratype, 2–3.V.1971, A.B.Stam, in coll. Linnavuori.

Male length 4 mm. Shiny. Head black, vertex with indistinct brown spot near each eye; eyes dark brown. 1st and 2nd antennal joints (others absent) black. Pronotum and scutellum black. Elytra yellowish brown, apical part of clavus and endocorium slightly darkened; membrane dark brown. Under surface black or blackish brown. Legs red, coxae and bases of femora yellowish, tibiae slightly darkened basally, tarsi yellowish brown, 3rd tarsomeres dark.

Elongate, about 4 × as long as broad at base of pronotum. Hair covering brownish, smooth. Head about 0.83 × as broad as basal width of pronotum; eyes large, ocular index 1.13–1.20. Antennae relatively incrassate, proportions between joints 11:33:?, 2nd joint 1.33 × as long as basal width of pronotum. Rostrum extending to middle coxae. Pronotum 1.5 × as broad as long (total length), anterior part unusually narrow, basal part strongly widened, calli strongly raised. Cuneus 1.67 × as long as broad.

Male genitalia in Figs. 38e–f, 39a–c. Apex of long vesical appendage resembling a bird's head,

#### *Mecomma grandis* Carvalho & Southwood

Figs. 39–40

*Mecomma grandis* Carvalho & Southwood 1955:55–56.

Material: Ethiopia: Addis Abeba, 1♂, in coll. Linnavuori; Agheresalam, alt. 2900 m, 1♀, 8.VI.1963, Linnavuori.

Length ♂ 5 mm, ♀ 3.25 mm. ♂: head, pronotum and scutellum black. Vertex with small pale spot close to each eye; eyes dark brown. Antennae missing in the specimen studied. Elytra grayish yellow, scutellar and commissural margins of clavus embrowned, cuneus immaculate; membrane grayish yellow, veins pale. Under surface black. Legs yellow-brown, 3rd tarsomeres embrowned. ♀: black. Vertex with pale spot near each eye; eyes grayish. Antennae black. Elytra blackish with a lateral and apical band of about 1/3 their width yellow-testaceous. Legs testaceous, 3rd tarsomere dark.

Male: parallel-sided. Hair covering long, brownish. Head 0.82 × as broad as basal width of pronotum; vertex with distinct median sulcus, base distinctly carinate; ocular index 1.41. Rostrum extending to hind coxae. Pronotum 1.8 × as broad as long in middle, lateral margins distinctly insinuated. Cuneus 2.1 × as long as broad. — Female: pear-shaped, body 1.9 × as long as greatest width. Hair covering short, brownish.