

Dermestidae (Coleoptera) from the collection of the Czech entomologist Aldo Olexa. Part 3 - Attagenini, Megatomini

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List of all the determined species from the tribes Attagenini and Megatomini (Coleoptera: Dermestidae) from the collection of Czech entomologist A. Olexa are presented. *Ctesias (Decemctesias) olexai* sp. n. from Syria is described, illustrated and compared with related species. New records extending the known geographical distribution are published for the following species: *Attagenus uniformis* Fairmaire in Fairmaire et Coquerel, 1860 (Iraq, Syria); *Globicornis (Glocicornis) breviclavus* (Reitter in Schneider et Leder, 1878) (Armenia, Georgia); *Phradonoma villosulum* (Duftschmid, 1825) (Bulgaria); *Thaumaglossa rufiventris* Pic, 1927 (Guinea); *Trogoderma bactrianum* Zhantiev, 1970 (Tadzhikistan); *Trogoderma teukton* Beal, 1956 (Tadzhikistan).

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INTRODUCTION

The family Dermestidae from the collection of the excellent Czech entomologist Aldo Olexa (Prague) comprises about 900 specimens mainly from the Palaearctic Region especially from the travels to Central Asia and Northern Africa in the years 1972-1992. „Boxes 1 and 2 were discussed in Parts 1 and 2 respectively“ (Háva 2006a, 2006b). The third box of the collection contains 45 species of the tribes Attagenini and Megatomini, including a new species from Syria.

In the collection, there are also about 15 specimens to be still revised. Results of this future revision are not included here; they will be published separately in the next part.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

All specimens were identified and reviewed by the author. They were recently deposited in the author's collection. Locality labels of the mentioned material are cited in the original version. Remarks of the author are found in square brackets []. The size of the beetles or of their body parts can be useful in species recognition, and thus, the following measurements were provided: total body length (TL) - linear distance from anterior margin of pronotum to apex of elytra; elytral width (EW) - maximal linear transverse distance. I followed the distribution published by Háva (2003) and classification of Dermestidae used by Háva (2004) and Lawrence & Slipinski (2005).

FAUNISTIC PART**subfamily Attageninae**
tribe Attagenini***Attagenus addendus* J. Sahlberg, 1903**

Material examined. Algeria: “Algeria, Les Andalouses [35°42'N 0°54'W], 20-22.5.1984 A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia.

***Attagenus aurantiacus* Reitter, 1900**

Material examined. Syria: “Syria, Maloulla, 1720 m, 8.5.1982, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Iraq, Syria and Turkey.

***Attagenus bifasciatus* (Olivier, 1790)**

Material examined. Algeria: “Algeria, Tipasda, 27-28.3.1984, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Greece: “Graecia, Dr. Graf”, 1 spec.; Iraq: “Irak, Gaara (Rutba), 20-31.3.[without year], Dr. O. Kodym [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Syria: “Syria, Palmyra [Syrian Desert, Tudmur 34°33'N 38°14'E], 25-27.4.1982, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 3 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Afghanistan, Algeria, “Caucasus”, Egypt, southern Europe, India, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestina, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey and Turkmenistan.

***Attagenus brunneus* Faldermann, 1835**

Material examined. Armenia: “Armenia, Sevan [40°33'N 44°57'E], 6.[19]73, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Italy: “Italia, Vedano Olona, Varese, vi.[19]64, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Afghanistan, Algeria, Canada, Egypt, Europe, Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Pakistan, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, U.S.A. and Uzbekistan.

***Attagenus cyphonoides* Reitter, 1881**

Material examined. Tadjikistan: “Tadjikistan, Tigrovaja Balka, 2-6.6.1966, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Nearly cosmopolitan species.

***Attagenus fallax* Gené, 1839**

Material examined. Algeria: “Oran, Dr. Graf” [without detailed data], 1 spec.; Italy: “Sardinia” [without detailed data], 6 spec.; Tunisia: “Tunis, Ain Draham, 6-7.6.1982, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 2 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria, “Dalmatia”, Egypt, France, Greece, Italy, Libya, Morocco, Portugal, Sardinia, Sicily, Spain and Tunisia.

***Attagenus fasciatus* (Thunberg, 1795)**

Material examined. Egypt: “Egypt, Hurghada, 20.7.[19]68, Dened lgt.”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Cosmopolitan species.

***Attagenus heydeni* (Reitter, 1881)**

Material examined. Morocco: “Maroc, Tenerhir, Gorges du Todra, 5.5.1991, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia.

***Attagenus hirtulus* Rosenhauer, 1856**

Material examined. Spain: “Hispania, Dr. Graf”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Morocco, Portugal, Spain and Tunisia.

***Attagenus lineatus* (Pic, 1894)**

Material examined. Morocco: “Maroc, Rabat env., 13.5.[19]91, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia.

***Attagenus lobatus* Rosenhauer, 1856**

Material examined. Turkmenistan: “Turkmenia, Adchabad [Ashkhabad], Anau, Kara Kum, 14.5.[19]75, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Uzbekistan: “Uzbekistan, Čimgan [Tshimgan] (Tashkent), 23.4.1980, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Afghanistan, Algeria, Bulgaria, China, Egypt, Greece, India, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Morocco, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Tadjikistan, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Turkey, U.S.A. and Uzbekistan.

***Attagenus maculatus* Kalik, 2006**

Material examined. Paratype (1 female): “Bulgaria, Arkutino, 7.[19]69, A. Olexa [lgt.]”.

Distribution. Species recently described from Bulgaria and Greece (Kalik 2006).

***Attagenus pellio* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Material examined. Slovakia: “Slov. [Slovakia], B.[Banská] Bystrica, ii.[19]51, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 2 spec.

Distribution. Cosmopolitan species.

***Attagenus pictus* Ballion, 1871**

Material examined. Tadjikistan: “Tadžikistan, Pendzhikent, 25.4.1975, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Tadjikistan, Babatag, Bulbulczashma, 23.5.1974, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Uzbekistan: “Uzbekistan, Aman Kutan (Sam.) [Samarkand], 16.5.1974, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 5 spec.; “SSSR, Aman Kutan, 2.6.[19]59, J. Niedl lgt.”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Afghanistan, northern Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.

***Attagenus punctatus* (Scopoli, 1772)**

Material examined. Slovakia: “Slov. [Slovakia], Zvolen, v.[19]51, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 17 spec.; “Slov. [Slovakia], Jeldava, xi.[19]50, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Europe and “Caucasus”.

***Attagenus quadrimaculatus* Kraatz, 1858**

Material examined. Greece: “Naxos, Dr. Graf” [without detailed data], 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Albania, Bosnia-Hercegovina, Bulgaria, “Caucasus”, Croatia, France, Greece, Macedonia, Slovenia, Turkey and Yugoslavia.

***Attagenus schaefferi schaefferi* (Herbst, 1792)**

Material examined. Slovakia: “Slov. [Slovakia], Banská Bystrica, [19]50, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Canary Islands (introduced), “Caucasus”, northern China, Europe and Russia.

***Attagenus sieversi* Reitter, 1896**

Material examined. Turkmenistan: “Turkmenia, Firjuza [Firyuza], Aschabad [Ashkhabad], 22.4.1975, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Iran and Turkmenistan.

***Attagenus silvaticus* Zhantiev, 1976**

Material examined. Russia: “SSSR, Abchazia, Soči [Sochi], iv.1961, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from “Caucasus”, Czech Republic, Hungary, Iran, Italy, Russia and Slovakia.

***Attagenus smirnovi* Zhantiev, 1973**

Material examined. Armenia: “Armenia, Arzni [10 km N of Yerevan, 40°18'N 44°36'E], 30.6.1978, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from “Caucasus”, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Europe, Morocco, Kenya, Oman, Russia and Saudi Arabia.

***Attagenus suspiciosus* Solsky, 1876**

Material examined. Kazakhstan: “Kazach. [Kazakhstan], Kujuk, [Karatau, 44°8'N 68°13'E], 5.5.1981, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 2 spec.; Turkmenistan: “Turkmenia, Aschabad, Firjuza, 27.4.1977, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Afghanistan, China: Xinjiang, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.

***Attagenus trifasciatus* (Fabricius, 1787)**

Material examined. France: “Provinse, V. Zoufal” [without precise data], 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria, Bosnia Herzegovina, „Dalmatia“, Egypt, England (introduced not established), France, Germany (introduced not established), Italy, Morocco, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland and Tunisia.

***Attagenus unicolor unicolor* (Brahm, 1790)**

Material examined. Armenia: “Armenia, Vedi, 4.7.1978, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Czech Republic: “Boh. [Bohemia], Praha, vi. [19]53, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 5 spec.; “Boh. [Bohemia], Opočno, vii. [19]53, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 5 spec.; Georgia: “Gruzia, Tbilisi env., 5. [19]73, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Russia: “SSSR, Abchazia, Soči [Sochi], vi. 1961, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Slovakia: “Slov. [Slovakia], B. [Banská] Bystrica, vii. [19]51, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Turkey: “Turkey, Cappadocia, [Nevsehir province], Avanos env. [38°44'N 34°51'E], 7-10.7.1983, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 2

spec.; Ukraine: “SSSR, Odessa, vi. [19]57, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 2 spec.

Distribution. Cosmopolitan species.

***Attagenus unicolor simulans* Solsky, 1876**

Material examined. Turkmenistan: “Turkm. [Turkmenistan], Anau, Kara Kum, Adchabad [Ashkhabad], 23.4. [19]75, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Subspecies known from Afghanistan, China: Xinjiang, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.

***Attagenus uniformis* Fairmaire in Fairmaire et Coquerel, 1860**

Material examined. Iraq: “Irak, Gaara (Rutba), 20-31.3. [without year], Dr. O. Kodym [lgt.]”, 3 females; Syria: “Syria, S Damascus, Sana Majin, 9.5.1982, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 male, 2 females; “Syria, Maloulla, 1720 m, 8.5.1982, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 female.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria, Egypt, Morocco, Sicily and Tunisia, first records from Iraq and Syria.

subfamily Megatominæ
tribe Megatomini

***Ctesias (Ctesias) serra* (Fabricius, 1792)**

Material examined. Czech Republic: “Boh. [Bohemia], N. [Nový] Vestec, v. [19]53, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 2 spec.; “Boh. [Bohemia], Čelákovice, vi. [19]54, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 3 spec.; “Mor. [Moravia], I. vi. [19]47, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Slovakia: “Slov. [Slovakia], B. [Banská] Bystrica, v. [19]51, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Slov. [Slovakia], Remetské Hámry, vii. [19]60, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria, “Caucasus”, Europe and Russia.

***Globicornis (Globicornis) breviclavus* (Reitter in Schneider et Leder, 1878)**

Material examined. Armenia: "Armenia, Dilidžan [Dilidžhan], 21.6.1979, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.; Georgia: "Gruzia, Ananuri, v.[19]73, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 5 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Bulgaria, "Caucasus" and Turkey, first records from Armenia and Georgia.

Globicornis (Globicornis) nigripes (Fabricius, 1792)

Material examined. Czech Republic: "Boh. [Bohemia], Praha, iii.[19]52, A. Olexa lgt.", 1 spec.; "Boh. [Bohemia], Čelákovice, vi.[19]54, A. Olexa lgt.", 1 spec.; "Boh. [Bohemia], Dobřichovice, v.[19]59, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from "Caucasus" and Europe.

Globicornis (Globicornis) picta (Küster, 1851)

Material examined. Armenia: "Armenia, Arzni, 30.6.1978, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.; "Armenia, Parpi, 6.[19]73, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 2 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Albania, Armenia, Bulgaria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Cyprus, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Macedonia, Sardinia, Sicily, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey and Yugoslavia.

Globicornis (Globicornis) variegata (Küster, 1851)

Material examined. Italy: "Sardinia" [without precise data], 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Corsica, Crete, France, Italy, Sardinia, Sicily and Spain.

Globicornis (Hadrotoma) corticalis (Eichhoff, 1863)

Material examined. Czech Republic: "Boh. [Bohemia], Skvorec, 12.v.[19]43, A. Olexa [lgt.]",

2 spec.; Slovakia: "Slov. [Slovakia], Harmanec, ii.1950, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 5 spec., 2 larval exuviae.

Distribution. Species known from Europe, Kazakhstan and Russia.

Globicornis (Hadrotoma) emarginata (Gyllenhal, 1808)

Material examined. Czech Republic: "Boh. [Bohemia], Zbraslav [Praha], v.[19]53, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 3 spec.; "Boh. [Bohemia], Praha - Radotín, 1.i.[19]49, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec., 1 larval exuvia; "Boh. [Bohemia], Skvorec, 12.v.[19]43, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.; "Boh. [Bohemia], Praha, v.[19]59, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.; Slovakia: "Slov. [Slovakia], Harmanec, 1950, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.; "Slov. [Slovakia], Zvolen, v.[19]52, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.; "Slov. [Slovakia], B. [Banská] Bystrica, viii.[19]50, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec., 1 larval exuvia.

Distribution. Species known from "Caucasus", Europe and Russia.

Globicornis (Pseudomesalia) quadriguttatus (Reitter, 1878)

Material examined. Armenia: "Armenia, Gegard, 29.6.1978, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Afghanistan, Armenia, "Caucasus", Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Syria, Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan, Turkey and Uzbekistan.

Megatoma (Megatoma) undata undata (Linnaeus, 1758)

Material examined. Czech Republic: "Boh. [Bohemia], 1.ix.[19]47, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.; dtto, "v.1958, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec.; "Boh. [Bohemia], Cís. [Císařský] Ostrov [Praha], 8.xii.[19]46, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 2 spec.; "Boh. [Bohemia], Podhořany, 31.viii.[19]43, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 9 spec., 3 larval exuviae; "Boh. [Bohemia], Radotín, 1.i.[19]49, A. Olexa [lgt.]", 1 spec., 1 larval exuvia; Slovakia: "Slov. [Slovakia], Zvolen,

iii.[19]51, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 7 spec.; “Slov. [Slovakia], B. [Banská] Bystrica, i.1951, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Slov. [Slovakia], Harmanec, ii.[19]51, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from “Caucasus” and Europe.

***Megatoma (Pseudohadrotoma) conspersa* Solsky, 1876**

Material examined. Kazakhstan: “Kazach., Kujuk, Kara Tau, Džamb. [Dzhambul], 5.5.1981, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Uzbekistan: “Uzbekistan, Čimgan [Tshimgan] (Taškent) [Tashkent], 6.5.1978, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Uzbekistan, Aktaš [Aktash] (Taškent) [Tashkent], 28.iv.1972, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Uzbekistan, Chamza-Abad, Ferg. [ana], 26.iv.1972, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; dtto, “9.5.1977, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Afghanistan, China: Tianshan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan.

***Phradonoma trizonatum* (Fairmaire, 1883)**

Material examined. Algeria: “Algeria, Iglu, 12.4.1988, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 3 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria and Morocco.

***Phradonoma villosulum* (Duftschmid, 1825)**

Material examined. Bulgaria: “Bulgaria, Sozopol, 7.1967, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Slovakia: “Slov. [Slovakia], Štúrovo, 6.1956, [J.] Gottwald lgt.”, 1 spec., [J.] Gottwald det., J. Háva revid.; “Slov. [Slovakia], Kováčov, 26.6.1948, Ing. J. Palásek [lgt.]”, 1 spec., J. Palásek det., J. Háva revid.

Distribution. Species known from Europe, Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Syria and Turkey, first record from Bulgaria.

***Thaumaglossa rufiventris* Pic, 1927**

Material examined. Guinea: “Africa, Guinea” [without precise data], 5 spec., V. Kalík det., J. Háva revid.

Distribution. Species known from Benin, Cameroon and Ivory Coast, first record from Guinea.

***Trogoderma bactrianum* Zhantiev, 1970**

Material examined. Tadjikistan: „Tadjikistan, Tigrovaja Balka, 2-6.6.1966, A. Olexa lgt.“, 1 spec., J. Háva det.; „Tadž SSR [Tadjikistan], Pjandž [Pyandzh], 3.6.[19]66, Deneš lgt.“, 1 spec., J. Háva det.

Distribution. Species known from Turkmenistan, first record from Tadjikistan.

***Trogoderma glabrum* (Herbst, 1783)**

Material examined. Bulgaria: “Bulgaria, Harmanli, 27.6.1975, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Czech Republic: “Boh. [Bohemia], Opočno, vii.[19]53, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Boh. [Bohemia], Zbraslav [Přaha], vii.[19]52, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Bohemia, Praha, [without date], A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Bohemia, Praha – Troja, 5.[19]73, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Cosmopolitan species.

***Trogoderma inclusum* LeConte, 1854**

Material examined. Croatia: “Dalmatia, Primoštera, 7.[19]66, Mlynjč [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Algeria, Canada, Egypt, Europe, India, Iran, Israel, Japan, Morocco, Russia, South Africa, Tunisia, Turkey and U.S.A.

***Trogoderma teukton* Beal, 1956**

Material examined. Tadjikistan: “Tadjikistan, Dushanbe, 5.6.1966, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from China, Iran, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, southern Korea and U.S.A: Minnesota, North Dakota, Iowa, first record from Tadzhikistan.

***Trogoderma variabile* Ballion, 1878**

Material examined. Uzbekistan: “Uzbekistan, Buchara, 1.5.1975, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Species known from Afghanistan, Armenia, Australia, Canada, “Caucasus”, northern China, Czech Republic, England, Finland, Italy, Iran, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Sweden, Tadzhikistan, Turkmenistan, U.S.A. and Uzbekistan.

***Trogoderma versicolor* (Creutzer, 1799)**

Material examined. Bulgaria: “Bulgaria, Sozopol, 6.[19]71, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; Slovakia: “Slov. [Slovakia], Štúrovo, v.[19]61, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.; “Slov. [Slovakia], Nová Sedlica, vii.[19]62, A. Olexa [lgt.]”, 1 spec.

Distribution. Cosmopolitan species.

TAXONOMIC PART

***Ctesias (Decemctesias) olexai* sp. n. (Figs 1-3)**

Type material. Holotype (B&): „Syria, Zainie, Latakia env. [35°31'N 35°47'E], 4.5.1982, A. Olexa [lgt.]“. Holotype deposited in the author’s collection. Holotype specimen provided with label: „HOLOTYPE , *Ctesias (Decemctesias), olexai* sp. n., Jiří Háva det. 2005“. [red label, printed].

Description. Male. Measurements TL 3.7 mm EW 2.4 mm. Body cuticle on pronotum black, elytra black and reddish, ventral surface black. Head finely punctate, with short brown pubescence. Palpi entirely brown; pubescence on mentum denser. Median ocellus on front present. Antennae with 10 antennomeres, antennomeres

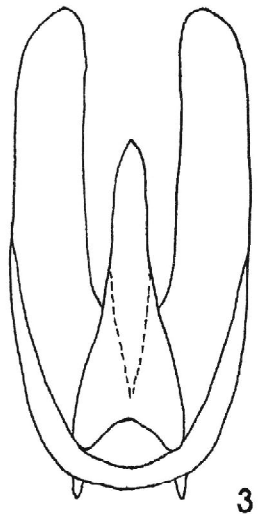
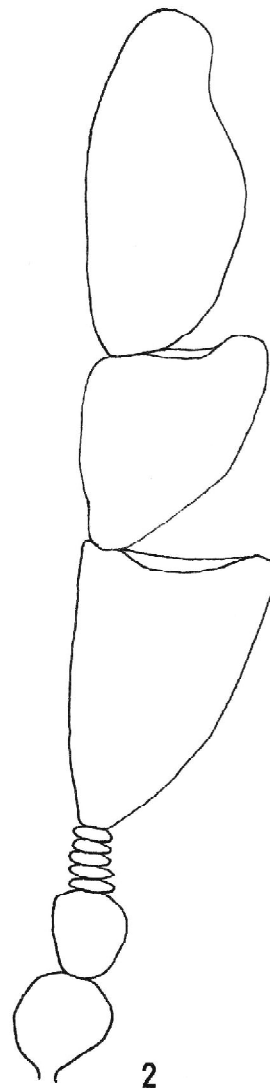
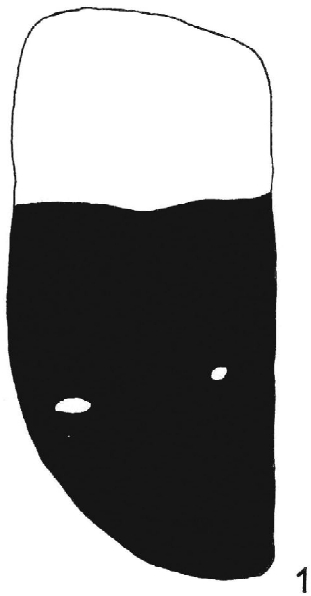
I-VI yellow, VIII-X dark brown, antennal club with 3 antennomeres, terminal antennomere short, with black setation (Fig. 2). Pronotum coarsely punctate like head, with short brown pubescence on the disc and yellow-brown pubescence on lateral parts and posterior angles. Scutellum triangular, coarsely punctate as pronotum, without pubescence. Elytra finely punctate; cuticle black, each elytron in anterior S! with very broad transverse reddish fasciae and two very small circular spot, covered by short yellow pubescence; other parts with short brown pubescence. Legs brown, with very short yellow pubescence. Mesosternum and metasternum with short yellow pubescence. Prosternal process finely punctate, narrow, short. Abdominal sternites black, with short yellow pubescence. Male genitalia (Fig. 3).

Female unknown.

Differential diagnosis. *Ctesias (D.) olexai* sp. n. belongs to the subgenus *Decemctesias* Háva 2004; this subgenus includes 8 species. The new species differs from the all known species by the structure of antennae and male genitalia, and colour patterns on elytrae; visually very similar to *Ctesias syriaca* Ganglbauer, 1904 and *Ctesias maculifasciata* (Reitter, 1899), but differs from them by the following characters:

- 1(4) patterns or fasciae isolated
- 2(3) male terminal antennomere with very short tip; female terminal antennomere with very short tip *Ctesias syriaca* Ganglbauer, 1904
- 3(2) male terminal antennomere with long tip; female terminal antennomere with long tip *Ctesias maculifasciata* (Reitter, 1899)
- 4(1) each elytron in anterior S! with very broad transverse reddish fasciae *Ctesias olexai* sp. n.

Name derivation. Patronymic, dedicated to the excellent Czech coleopterologist and collector of the new species Mr. Aldo Olexa (Prague).



Figs 1-3. *Ctesias (Decemctesias) olexai* sp. n. (holotype): 1- left elytron, dorsal view; 2- antenna; 3- aedeagus.

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