

its major diameter and basally and apically moderately long, stout, symmetrical circumfila, a rather thick whorl of long stout setae near the middle; terminal segment, basal enlargement sub-globose, basal portion of the stem with a length about 4 times its diameter, the distal enlargement sub-cylindrical, with a length $\frac{1}{2}$ greater than its diameter and apically a short finger-like process. Palpi—first segment short, quadrate, the second narrowly oval, with a length about $2\frac{1}{2}$ times its width, the third a little longer and more slender than the second. Mesonotum dark brown, the sub-median lines yellowish; scutellum and postscutellum yellowish. Abdomen mostly fuscous yellowish, the dorsal sclerites light brownish. Wings hyaline, sub-costa uniting with the margin at the basal third, the third vein at the apex, the fifth at the distal fourth, its branch at the basal half. Halteres whitish-transparent. Legs mostly dark straw, the posterior tarsi with the segments basally narrowly whitish; claws stout, curved almost at right angles, the anterior and mid claws unidentate, the pulvilli rudimentary. Genitalia—basal clasp segment moderately long, stout; terminal clasp segment short, rather slender, strongly curved, pectinate apically; dorsal plate broadly and roundly emarginate. Other characters indistinct in the preparation.

♀. Length 1.5 mm. Antennae about $\frac{3}{4}$ the length of the body, thickly haired, fuscous yellowish, 14 segments, the fifth with a stem $\frac{1}{4}$ the length of the cylindrical basal enlargement, the latter with a length $2\frac{1}{2}$ times its diameter; terminal segment cylindrical, with a length about 4 times its diameter, broadly rounded apically; labrum, sub-laterally with rather long, curved, divergent setae; mesonotum yellowish-brown; scutellum and postscutellum pale yellowish; abdomen mostly pale yellowish; halteres whitish, slightly fuscous sub-apically; legs mostly light straw; ovipositor short, the lobes moderate and dorsally with narrowly oval appendages $\frac{1}{2}$ the length of the basal portion. Other characters practically as in the ♂.

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NOTE ON THE GENUS PLAGIARTHINA KEYS.

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This is incorrectly regarded as a subgenus of *Atheta*, but it must be elevated to generic rank, and indeed forms a new group (PLAGIARTHINI) of the *Aleocharinae* having the tarsal formula 4, 5 (*Monotetramera*), which may be indicated as follows:—

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| 1. Maxillary palpi 4-jointed. | |
| Labial palpi 1-jointed. | PRONOMAEINI. |
| Labial palpi 2-jointed. | THAMIAEINI. |
| Labial palpi 3-jointed. | ATHETINI. |
| Labial palpi 4-jointed. | PLAGIARTHINI. |
| 2. Maxillary palpi 5-jointed. | |
| Labial palpi 4-jointed. | HOPLANDRIINI. |

The last group is represented in this country by *Exaleochara* Keys (? *Tinotus* Shp.).

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