

## Two new species of *Plectromerus* Haldeman (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae) from the West Indies

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### Abstract

Two new species of Curiini (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae: Cerambycinae), *Plectromerus lingafelteri* from the Dominican Republic and *Plectromerus ramosi* from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands are described. Features distinguishing the new species from their congeners are presented. *Plectromerus distinctus* (Cameron), previously synonymized with *P. serratus* (Cameron), is restored as a valid species.

### Resumen

Dos nuevas especies de Curiini (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae: Cerambycinae), *Plectromerus lingafelteri* de la República Dominicana y *Plectromerus ramosi* de Puerto Rico y las Islas Vírgenes se describen. Se incluyen características para diferenciar estas especies de otros miembros del género. *Plectromerus distinctus* (Cameron), previamente sinonimizada con *P. serratus* (Cameron), se reconoce como especie válida.

**Key words:** Caribbean, West Indies, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Cerambycidae, Cerambycinae, Curiini, *Plectromerus*, new species

### Introduction

Increased interest in the rich diversity of the Caribbean region has generated in-depth studies of its cerambycid fauna (Lingafelter & Micheli 2004, Micheli 2003, Micheli & Micheli 2004, Vitali & Rezbanyai-Reser 2003, Zayas 1975). Recent extensive collecting in the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands has resulted in the discovery of new species, with estimated faunal counts of 131, 71, and 45 longhorned beetle species,