

Notes on the genus *Leucolopha* (Insecta, Lepidoptera, Notodontidae) with description of a new species from China

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Abstract

The genus *Leucolopha* Hampson, 1896 is reviewed. *Leucolopha sinica* Chen & Wang, **sp. nov.**, from China is described and illustrated; a distribution map and a key to males of *Leucolopha* species are provided. The type specimens of the new species are deposited in the Insect Collections of Department of Entomology, South China Agricultural University, Guangzhou, P. R. China.

Key words: Lepidoptera, Notodontidae, *Leucolopha*, new species, China

Introduction

The notodontid genus *Leucolopha* was established by Hampson (1896) with *Leucolopha undulifera* Hampson, 1896, from Assam, India as the type species. The genus remained monotypic for more than one hundred years until a second species, *Leucolopha singulus*, from Sichuan Province, China was described by Schintlmeister and Fang (2001). The genus includes only these two nominal species (Wu & Fang, 2003). Recent surveys for moths in southwest and central China resulted in the discovery a third species. The purpose of this paper is to describe that species and present notes on the identification and distributions of all species of *Leucolopha*.

Leucolopha Hampson, 1896

Type species: *Leucolopha undulifera* Hampson, 1896, by original designation.

Diagnosis. The wing pattern distinguishes this genus from all other notodontid genera. The ground color on the forewing upperside is reddish brown, with a distinct bar in the distal