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# New species and subspecies of the genus *Lesteva* Latreille, 1797 (Coleoptera: Staphylinidae: Omaliinae) from Taiwan

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**Abstract.** Two new taxa of the genus *Lesteva* Latreille, 1797 from Taiwan (Hualien County) are described and illustrated: *L. smetanai* sp. n. and *L. rufopunctata taiwanica* subsp. n. A key to species known from Taiwan is provided.

**Key words:** Omaliinae, *Lesteva*, Taiwan, new species, new subspecies

## Introduction

The fauna of the genus *Lesteva* Latreille, 1797 of the Eastern Palaearctic is very rich and so far poorly studied: for example, only 23 described species are known from China (Rougemont 2000; Watanabe 2005; Li & al. 2005; Ma & al. 2012; Ma & Li 2012; Shavrin 2013, 2014) while in Japan *Lesteva* fauna comprises 19 described species (Sharp 1874, 1889; Cameron 1930; Watanabe 1990, 2004). Only one species is known from Taiwan, *L. chujoi* Watanabe, 2005, which was described from "... Mt. Alishan of Chiayi Hsien in Central Taiwan" (Watanabe 2005).

The present study is based on Omaliinae material which was collected during a field trip in 1990 by Aleš Smetana (Ottawa, Canada) to Taiwan and recently kindly sent to me for study. This material included a new species and subspecies of *Lesteva*, descriptions of which are presented in this paper. Besides that, a key to the three known species of Taiwan is provided.

## Material and methods

Specimens were dissected using standard methods of preparation (Shavrin 2015). Morphological studies were carried out using Nikon SMZ 745T and Nikon Eclipse E200 stereomicroscopes. A digital camera (Sony Alpha DSLR-A300) was used for photographs and all figures were processed using Adobe Photoshop software. All measurements are given in millimeters and were made with a stereoscopic microscope equipped with an ocular micrometer.

The following measurements are used in this paper and abbreviated as follows: WH—maximum width of head including eyes; LH—length of head (from base of labrum to neck constriction along the head midline); LA—length of antenna; LE—longitudinal length of eye; LT—length of temple (from posterior margin of eye to neck constriction); LP—length of pronotum; WPMax—maximum width of pronotum; WPMin—minimum width of pronotum; LEI—sutural length of elytra (length of elytra from apex of scutellum to posterior margin of sutural angle); WE—maximum width of elytra; WA—width of abdominal segment IV; LAed—length of aedeagus; TL—total length (from the base of labrum to the apex of abdomen).

Citations of the type labels are separated by a comma ",", different lines are separated by a vertical line "|". My interpretations of the type labels are given in round brackets and necessary notes are shown in angle brackets.

The examined material is deposited in the following institutions: CSm (later—National Museum of Nature and Science, Tokyo, Japan (NSMT)); CSh—collection of A.V. Shavrin, Daugavpils, Latvia.