

## ***Draconarius exilis*, a new species of coelotine spider from China (Araneae, Amaurobiidae)**

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### **Abstract**

A new species of *Draconarius*, *D. exilis* sp. nov., from China is described. The species has close affinities to *D. incertus* Wang, 2003 (= *D. parabruneus* Wang, 2003, **new synonymy**) and *D. pseudobrunneus* Wang, 2003 forming the newly proposed *incertus*-group of *Draconarius*. Species of this group share the following characters: the absence of epigynal teeth, the wrinkled anterior atrium of epigynum, the small and anteriorly extended spermathecae of female, and the short cymbial furrow (less than half cymbial length), the short embolus, the prolaterally originated, bifurcated conductor, and the simple, non spoon-shaped median apophysis.

**Key words:** Coelotinae, species group, taxonomy, synonymy

### **Introduction**

The coelotine genus *Draconarius* Ovtchinnikov, 1999 with the type species *D. venustus* Ovtchinnikov, 1999 is restricted to East Asia (Wang 2002). The genus comprises nearly 100 species, 39 of which belong to nine separate species groups (Platnick 2005, Wang 2003, Dankittipakul & Wang 2004). The remaining species are unplaced mainly because of the lack of either male or female.

In this paper, a new species, *D. exilis* sp. nov., is described and a new species group, the *Draconarius incertus* group, is proposed based on the male and female genitalia.