



Review of the grassland leafhopper subgenus *Leofa* (*Prasutagus*) Distant (Hemiptera: Cicadellidae: Deltocephalinae: Chiasmini)

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Abstract

The grassland leafhopper subgenus *Leofa* (*Prasutagus*) is reviewed. Five species are dealt with in this paper, including two new species from China: *Leofa* (*Prasutagus*) *forcipatus* Duan & Zhang **sp. nov.** and *Leofa* (*Prasutagus*) *yangae* Duan & Zhang **sp. nov.**, and a key to species is provided.

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Introduction

The grassland leafhopper genus *Prasutagus* was established by Distant (1918) for *Prasutagus pulchellus* Distant from India and subsequently Vilbaste (1975) added *curtulus* (Motschulsky) from Sri Lanka. Zahniser (2008) considered *Prasutagus* a subgenus of *Leofa* and described one new species, *Leofa* (*Prasutagus*) *palearctica*. In the present paper, this subgenus is reviewed and all the three known species and two new species from China are treated, and a key for their separation is provided.

Material examined

Type specimens and other material examined are deposited in the Entomological Museum of Northwest A & F University (NWAUFU), Sun Yat-Sen University (=Zhongshan University, SYU), The Natural History Museum, London (BMNH) and Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (HUB). Morphological terminology follows Kuoh (1966), Hamilton (1983) and Zhang (1990).

Taxonomy

Leofa (*Prasutagus*) Distant

Prasutagus Distant, 1918: 53. Type species: *Prasutagus pulchellus* Distant.

Oneratulus Vilbaste, 1975: 233–244. Type species: *Jassus?* *curtulus* Motschulsky. Implicit synonymy by Zahniser, 2008: 31. *Leofa* (*Prasutagus*), Zahniser, 2008: 16.