



The oonopid spider genus *Ischnothyreus* in Borneo (Oonopidae, Araneae)

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Abstract

The genus *Ischnothyreus* is reported for the first time from Borneo with 17 new species (*I. balu*, *I. barus*, *I. danum*, *I. deelemanae*, *I. elvis*, *I. falcifer*, *I. flabellifer*, *I. flippi*, *I. florifer*, *I. fobor*, *I. hooki*, *I. jojo*, *I. kalimantan*, *I. matang*, *I. mulumi*, *I. rex*, *I. serapi*). All species are diagnosed, described and illustrated.

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Introduction

Situated in the Indo-Australian Archipelago, Borneo is the third largest island in the world, after Greenland and New Guinea. It is surrounded by the islands of Sumatra, Java, Sulawesi and the Philippines. With almost 740,000 square kilometers, Borneo has some of the most astonishing and diverse ecosystems in the world. The island is divided among three sovereign states: Malaysia (Sarawak and Sabah), Brunei Darussalam and Indonesia (Kalimantan). It is a rather flat island with a large part of the landmass being below 150 m; however, with an altitude of 4,095 m, Mount Kinabalu in the state of Sabah is the highest peak not only of Borneo but of Southeast Asia. The