Nine new species of Clada from Madagascar (Coleoptera, Ptinidae)

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Abstract

Nine new species of the genus Clada (s. str.) Pascoe, 1887 (Bostrichoidea: Ptinidae: Eucradinae) are described from Madagascar: Clada (Clada) barclayi sp. n., C. (C.) dimbyi sp. n., C. (C.) fasciata sp. n., C. (C.) lalae sp. n., C. (C.) madagascarensis sp. n., C. (C.) mamyi sp. n., C. (C.) njakai sp. n., C. (C.) obesa sp. n., and C. (C.) rindrai sp. n. No species of this genus were previously known from Madagascar. Photographs of the dorsal habitus and drawings the male and female antennae and aedeagi of most of these species are given.

Keywords

Afrotropical region, Clada, Coleoptera, Madagascar, new species, Ptinidae, taxonomy

Introduction

Madagascar is a large island (almost 600 mil. km²) with diverse natural conditions influenced by various geographical and climatic conditions, and also by an exceptionally rich tree flora. Most species of Ptinidae are xylophagous or fungivorous. No recent papers on the family Ptinidae from this region have been published, except the subfamily Ptininae (Bellés 1987, 1991; Philips 2005).
Many descriptions of species (almost all of them endemics in Madagascar, a few of them also occur on some neighbouring islands or in continental Africa, and a few are widely distributed or cosmopolitan) are known from older descriptions by M. Pic and some other authors. These descriptions tend to be very short, without pictures, only some of them are modern with illustrations, especially of the aedeagus. Madagascar’s fauna of Ptinidae is surely richer. This is our first contribution on this family from Madagascar.

The subfamily Eucradinae LeConte, 1861 contains two tribes, Eucradini LeConte, 1861, with the North American genus *Eucrada* LeConte, 1861 and Hedobiini Mulsant et Rey, 1868, with five genera distributed worldwide, *Anhedobia* Nakane, 1963, *Clada* Pascoe, 1887, *Hedobia* Dejean, 1821, *Neohedobia* Fisher, 1919 and *Ptinomorphus* Mulsant et Rey, 1868. Sexual dimorphism is typical of all species in the tribe Eucradini. Males have more pectinate antennae, and females less pectinate. Genera in the tribe Hedobiini have slightly serrate antennae. Only the genus *Clada* is atypical, with serrate antennae in both sexes in some species, while in others, the antennae of the male are pectinate, and those of the female serrate, and in some species antennae are pectinate in both sexes. White (1974) placed this genus in the subfamily Dryophilinae LeConte, 1861, while other authors have put it in the subfamily Eucradinae. The lateral edge of the pronotum in the subfamily Eucradinae is absent, but the subfamily Dryophilinae has the lateral edge distinct. Moreover, genera of the subfamily Dryophilinae have filiform antennae.

The genus *Clada* (Eucradinae: Hedobiini) contains two subgenera, *Taiwanoclada* Sakai, 1987 from Taiwan with only one species, and the nominal subgenus with 50 species from the Palaearctic, Oriental, and Afrotropical regions. From the sub-saharan African and southern African regions, the following species are known:

- *C. (C.) basilewskyi* Español, 1969 in Tanzania
- *C. (C.) costipennis* Kolbe, 1897 in Tanzania
- *C. (C.) flabellicornis* Pic, 1936 in Zaire
- *C. (C.) granulata* Español, 1972 in South Africa
- *C. (C.) humeralis* Pic, 1926 in Congo, Kenya, Tanzania
- *C. (C.) laticollis* Pic, 1947 in Ethiopia, Kenya
- *C. (C.) lineatipennis* Pic, 1926 in Ivory Coast
- *C. (C.) longicornis* Pic, 1934 in Kenya
- *C. (C.) multistriata* Pic, 1952 in Benin
- *C. (C.) rugosa* Pic, 1915 in Benin, Ivory Coast
- *C. (C.) waterhousei* Pascoe, 1887 in South Africa

In Madagascar, no species of the genus *Clada* were known. Overall, only 48 species and subspecies of Ptinidae are known from Madagascar, 18 from the subfamily Ptininae, one from Ernobiinae, five from Anobiinae, seven from Xyletininae, seven from Mesocoelopodinae, and ten from Dorcatominae (Español 1969a; Pic 1896, 1912a, b, 1949, 1952).
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Materials and methods

We have studied all the original descriptions of species in the subgenus *Clada* from Central and South Africa and also some other descriptions from neighbouring countries (including India, with some similar species) (Español 1969b, 1972; Kolbe 1897; Pascoe 1887; Pic 1915, 1926, 1934, 1936, 1947, 1952). Specimens of new species have been given a red printed label with the following text: “Holotype” or “Paratype”. On the second white printed label is the following text: “name of species. sp. n., P. Zahradník et M. Trýzna det.”.

The type materials are deposited in the following collection:

- **NHMUK** Natural History Museum, London, U.K.
- **MTDC** Miloš Trýzna collection, Děčín, Czech Republic
- **FGMRI** Forestry and Game Management Research Institute, Jíloviště, Czech Republic
- **LBVC** Lukáš Blažej collection, Varnsdorf, Czech Republic

Descriptions

**Clada (Clada) barclayi** sp. n.
http://zoobank.org/3024EF07-9FDF-4F02-AC93-8AE41CCEB249
Figs 1, 10, 19a, b, 28

**Type material.** Holotype male: Madagascar, Mahajanga prov., Mahajamba riv., 17.–19.xi.1995, I. Jeniš lgt. (FGMRI). Paratype (1): 1 female, Madagascar, Morondava prov., Maronfandila, 4.–5.xii.1995, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI).

**Differential diagnosis.** This species is similar to *C. (C.) humeralis* Pic, 1926, but differs by lighter colour of the elytra and missing lighter humeri. Fully differs by shape of the aedeagus. Fully differs by shape of the aedeagus. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.

**Description.** Male (holotype). Elongate-elliptical, transversally convex. Body length 5.8 mm, maximum width 2.2 mm (Figure 1). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.7. Body light brown, also antennae, maxillary and labial palpi and legs, only pronotum and head darker. Pubescence yellowish white.

Head matt shiny, with double punctuation – first coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; second is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence recumbent or semi-erect, long, inclined more or less forwards. Anterior part of head with shallow deepening. Clypeus with shallow transverse depression. Eyes large, globular with short erect sparse pubescence. Frons 1.6 times as wide as diameter of eye, from dorsal view. Antennae consisting of eleven antennomeres, 3rd to 10th pectinate (Figure 19a). First antennomere robust, twice as long as wide; second smallest, one-half as long as first, almost as wide as long. 3rd 1.4 times...
Figures 1–9. Habitus. 1 C. (C.) barclayi sp. n. 2 C. (C.) dimbyi sp. n. 3 C. (C.) fasciata sp. n. 4 C. (C.) lalae sp. n. 5 C. (C.) madagascarensis sp. n. 6 C. (C.) manyi sp. n. 7 C. (C.) njakai sp. n. 8 C. (C.) obesa sp. n. 9 C. (C.) rindrai sp. n.
as wide as long. 4th to 8th 2.1 as wide as long; 9th and 10th 1.7 times as wide as long. Apical antennomere longest, oblong oval, 5 times as long as wide. All antennomeres on margin with short erect dense setae. Apical maxillary palpmere long, spindle shaped.

Pronotum convex, matt shiny, rounded, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.8); widest on one half, but only slightly. Base of pronotum finely bordered. Middle of pronotum at base with small, blunt swelling, posteriorly slightly sharpened. Surface of pronotum with double punctuation: one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately one-half their diameter; other one is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence short, sparse, recumbent, inclined more or less forwards.

Scutellum almost triangular, narrow, 1.4 times as long as wide, dense recumbent pubescence, inclined backwards.

Elytra oval, transversally convex, shiny, with distinct humeri. Each elytron with five fine costae, almost invisible, but apex more distinct. Surface of elytra with double punctuation: one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; the other one is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence relatively sparse, recumbent or semi-erect, inclined backwards. Posterior margin of each elytron with approximately 25 small teeth.

Legs stout, with short and dense recumbent pubescence. All tarsi robust, same length as tibia. 1st metatarsomere as long as 2nd and 3rd together, same width, slightly emarginate on top, 4th slightly shorter than previous, more emarginate, almost to 2/3 of their length. 5th same length as 3rd and 4th together, rectangular, wider on the top, with two large claws, without teeth.

For aedeagus see Figure 28.

Female. Habitually the same as male, only antennae serrate (Figure 19b). 1st antennomere robust with dense long erect hairs. 2nd small, as wide as 1st, half as long as previous, as long as wide. Antennomeres 3rd to 10th serrate. 3rd and 4th twice longer than wide; 5th 2.3 longer than wide; 6th twice longer than wide; 7th 1.7 times longer than wide; 8th to 10th twice longer than wide. Apical antennomere longest, oblong oval, 3.3 times longer than wide. Body length 6.8 mm, maximum width 2.9 mm. Ratio length:width of elytra 1.8.

Name derivation. Patronym, dedicated to our friend and colleague Maxwell VL Barclay (Natural History Museum, London).

Biology. Unknown.

Distribution. This species is found in the western part of Madagascar (Figure 10).

Clada (Clada) dimbyi sp. n.
http://zoobank.org/1591559C-96BE-4553-B410-39F33E8C2167
Figs 2, 11, 20, 29

Type material. Holotype male: Madagascar, Mahajanga prov., Mahajamba riv., Ampatika env., 17.–19.xi.1995, I. Jeniš lgt. (FGMRI). Paratype(1): 1 male, Madagascar, Mahajanga prov., Ambodimanga, Ankolia riv., 14.–15.xi.1995, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI).

Differential diagnosis. The species is similar to C. (C.) humeralis Pic, 1926, but differs by the lighter colour of the elytra and absence of lighter coloured humeri. Fully
Figures 10–18. Maps of distribution. 10 C. (C.) barclayi sp. n. 11 C. (C.) dimbyi sp. n. 12 C. (C.) fasciata sp. n. 13 C. (C.) lalae sp. n. 14 C. (C.) madagascarensis sp. n. 15 C. (C.) mamyi sp. n. 16 C. (C.) njakai sp. n. 17 C. (C.) obesa sp. n. 18 C. (C.) rindati sp. n.
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differs by shape of the aedeagus. Fully differs by shape of the aedeagus. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.

**Description.** Male (holotype). Elongate-elliptical, transversally convex. Body length 5.9 mm, maximum width 2.9 mm (Figure 2). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.6. Body light brown, head and pronotum brown, antennae and legs partly darker. Pubescence white.

*Head* matt-shiny, with double punctation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; other is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence recumbent or semi-erect, long, mostly inclined forwards, partly to centre of head, on vertex backwards. Clypeus with shallow, transverse depression. Eyes large, globular with short erect sparse pubescence. Frons twice as wide as diameters of eye, in dorsal view. Antennae consisting of eleven antennomeres; 3rd to 10th pectinate (Figure 20). 1st antennomere robust, twice as long as wide; 2nd smallest, only 1/3 as long as 1st, as long as wide, the same width as 1st. 3rd 1.3 times as wide as long; 4th and 5th 2.1 times as wide as long; 6th, 7th and 9th 1.9 times as wide as long; 8th twice wider as long; 10th 1.6 times as wide as long. Apical antennomere longest, oblong oval, 5.7 times as long as wide. All antennomeres with short recumbent pubescence, only 1st and 2nd with a few long semi-erect setae. Apical maxillary palpomere long, spindle shaped.

*Pronotum* convex, matt-shiny, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.8); widest in posterior 2/3. Base of pronotum finely bordered. Middle of pronotum at base with a small blunt swelling, posteriorly slightly sharpened. Surface of pronotum with coarse, dense, umbilicate punctation, distance between punctures smaller than their diameter. Pubescence long, sparse, recumbent, inclined more or less forwards.

*Scutellum* large, longitudinally trapezoidal, 1.2 times as long as wide, densely recumbent pubescence, inclined backwards, surface shining with fine, dense punctures.

*Elytra* oval, transversally convex, shiny, with distinct humeri. Each elytron with five very fine costae. Surface of elytra irregularly punctated with punctures of different diameters, coarse, dense, umbilicate. Pubescence relatively sparse, recumbent, on sides also semi-erect, inclined backwards. Posterior margin of each elytron with approximately 25 very small teeth.

*Legs* stout, with short and dense recumbent pubescence. Mesotibia on the apex with short forked projection. All tarsi robust, the same length as tibia. 1st metatarsomere as long as 2nd and 3rd together, the same width, slightly emarginate on top, 4th slightly shorter than previous, more emarginate, almost to 2/3 of their length. 5th the same length as 3rd and 4th together, rectangular, wider on the top, with two large claws, without teeth.

For *aedeagus* see Figure 29.

Female. Unknown.

**Variability.** Without visible variability.

**Name derivation.** Patronymic, dedicated to Dr Dimby Raharinjanahary from Madagascar National Parks, Antananarivo (Chargé des Bases de données de suividiversité et recherche).

**Biology.** Unknown.

**Distribution.** This species is found in the northwestern part of Madagascar (Figure 11).
Figures 19–27. Antennae. 19 C. (C.) barclayi sp. n. – a male, b female 20 C. (C.) dimbyi sp. n. – male 21 C. (C.) fasciata sp. n. – male 22 C. (C.) lalae sp. n. – a male, b female 23 C. (C.) madagascarensis sp. n. – a male, b female 24 C. (C.) mamyi sp. n. – male 25 C. (C.) njakai sp. n. – male 26 C. (C.) obesa sp. n. – female 27 C. (C.) rindrai sp. n. – male.

Clada (Clada) fasciata sp. n.  
http://zoobank.org/B411F2DE-4892-46F4-842E-6B0E1A9FD67D  
Figs 3, 12, 21, 30

Type material. Holotype male: Madagascar, Antananarivo prov., Manankazo env., 15.–17.xii.1996, I. Jeniš lgt. (FGMRI).

Differential diagnosis. The species is similar to C. (C.) lineatipennis Pic, 1926, which has black coloured elytra, and C. (C.) costipennis Kolbe, 1897, C. (C.) flabel-
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licornis Pic, 1936 and C. (C.) multistriata Pic, 1952 whose males have pectinated antennae. Differs also by shape of the aedeagus. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.

**Description.** Male (holotype). Elongate-elliptical, transversally convex. Body length 6.0 mm, maximum width 2.6 mm (Figure 3). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.7. Body, including antennae, maxillary and labial palpi and legs, brown. Only pronotum piceous brown. Pubescence white.

*Head* shiny, with double punctuation – first coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; other very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence more or less recumbent, long, inclined backwards; on vertex inclined backwards. Clypeus with transverse depression. Eyes large, globular with short erect sparse pubescence. Frons 3 times as wide as diameters of the eye, from dorsal view. Antennae probably consisting of eleven antennomeres (they are damaged, only 7 antennomeres remain), from 4th pectinate (Figure 21). 1st antennomere robust, twice as long as wide; 2nd as wide as 1st; 0.3 as long as 1st, 0.8 times as wide as long. 3rd strongly serrate, 1.1 times as wide as long. 4th and 5th 2.5 times as wide as long. 6th 3 times as wide as long; 7th 2.7 times as wide as long. All antennomeres with very short recumbent dense pubescence, 1st also with sparse long semi-erect setae. Apical maxillary palpomere long, slim, spindle shaped.

*Pronotum* convex, matt-shiny, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.7); widest in middle. Middle of the pronotum with blunt small swelling. Surface of pronotum with coarse, dense, umbilicate punctuation; punctures almost touching. Pubescence long, dense, semi-erect, inclined more or less from middle of pronotum to all sides.

*Scutellum* large, triangular, narrow, 1.2 times as long as wide, very densely recumbent pubescence, inclined backwards, surface shining, finely punctated; punctures almost touching.

*Elytra* oval, transversally convex, shining, humeri almost absent. Each elytron with six fine costae, covered with white recumbent dense pubescence, inclined backwards and from sides of costa to their centre. Surface of elytra with double punctuation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate, almost touching; other is very fine, punctures also almost touching. Pubescence between stripes relatively sparse, recumbent or semi-erect, inclined backwards. Posterior margin of each elytron with approximately 20 small teeth, almost invisible.

*Legs* stout, with long, dense, recumbent pubescence. All tarsi robust, same length as tibia. 1st metatarsomere as long as 2nd and 3rd together, same width, slightly emarginate on top, 4th slightly shorter than previous, more emarginate, almost to 2/3 of their length. 5th the same length as 3rd and 4th together, rectangular, wider on the top, with two large claws, without teeth.

For *aedeagus* see Figure 30.

Female. Unknown.

**Name derivation.** Derived from the rows of dense recumbent hairs on elytra, from Latin word *fascia*, meaning stripe.

**Biology.** Unknown.

**Distribution.** This species is found in the central part of Madagascar (Figure 12).
Figures 28–35. Aedeagus in dorsal view. 28 C. (C.) barclayi sp. n. 29 C. (C.) dimbyi sp. n. 30 C. (C.) fasciata sp. n. 31 C. (C.) lalae sp. n. 32 C. (C.) madagascarensis sp. n. 33 C. (C.) mamyi sp. n. 34 C. (C.) njakai sp. n. 35 C. (C.) rindrai sp. n.

Clada (Clada) lalae sp. n.
http://zoobank.org/F199462F-C7C5-4735-8C77-618D7CCF3053
Figs 4, 13, 22a, b, 31

Type material. Holotype male: Madagascar, Mahajanga prov., Mahajamba riv., Ampatika env., 17.–19.xi.1995, I. Jeniš lgt. (FGMRI). Paratypes (5): 2 males, 1 female, the same data as holotype; 2 males, Madagascar, Mahajanga prov., Ampatika env., 17.–20.xii.1995, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI).

Differential diagnosis. This species is similar to C. (C.) humeralis Pic, 1926, but differs by the lighter colour of the elytra. Fully differs by shape of the aedeagus. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.
Description. Male (holotype). Elongate-elliptical, transversally convex. Body length 7.0 mm, maximum width 2.9 mm (Figure 4). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.7. Body dark brown; antennae, maxillary and labial palpi and legs lighter. Pubescence white.

Head matt, clypeus shiny, with coarse, dense, umbilicate punctuation; distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter. Pubescence recumbent, long, dense, inclined mostly forwards. Clypeus with shallow transverse depression. Eyes large, globular with long erect sparse pubescence. Frons 2.1 times as wide as diameter of eye, from dorsal view. Antennae consisting of eleven antennomeres, 3rd to 10th pectinate (Figure 22a). 1st antennomere robust, three times as long as wide; 2nd smallest, twice shorter than 1st, as long as wide, almost same width as 1st. 3rd 0.8 times shorter than wide; 4th and 6th to 8th 0.5 times shorter than wide; 9th and 10th 0.6 times shorter than wide and the 10th 0.7 times shorter than wide. Apical antennomere longest, oblong oval, 5 times as long as wide. All antennomeres with short recumbent pubescence, only 1st and 2nd with a few long semi-erect setae. Apical maxillary palpomere long, spindle shaped.

Pronotum convex, matt, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.7); widest in posterior 2/3. Base of pronotum finely bordered. Middle of pronotum in posterior part with blunt small swelling, posteriorly slightly sharpened. Surface of pronotum with coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures the same as their diameter. Pubescence short, sparse, recumbent, inclined more or less forwards, in posterior part of pronotum backwards.

Scutellum large, longitudinally rectangular, 1.3 times as long as wide, densely recumbent pubescence, inclined backwards, surface shining with fine dense puncture.

Elytra oval, transversally convex, shiny, with distinct humeri. Each elytron with fine costae. Surface of elytra irregularly wrinkled, with double punctuation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate, punctures almost touching; other is very fine, punctures also almost touching. Pubescence relatively sparse, recumbent, on sides also semi-erect and sporadically also erect, inclined backwards. Posterior margin of each elytron with approximately 25 very small teeth.

Legs stout, with short and dense recumbent pubescence. All tarsi slim, slightly shorter than tibia. 1st metatarsomere as long as 2nd and 3rd together, and same length as 5th, 2nd the same length as 3rd and 4th together. 4th emarginate approximately to ½ of their length. 5th long and robust with two large claws, without teeth.

For aedeagus see Figure 31.

Female. Habitually the same as male, only antennae serrate (Figure 22b). Body length 8.1 mm, maximum width 3.2 mm.

Variability. Body length 5.4–8.1 mm, maximum width 2.2–3.2 mm.

Name derivation. Patronym, dedicated to Dr Lala Harivelos Ravoamianarivo Raveloson (University of Antananarivo, Faculty of Sciences, Department of Entomology).

Biology. Unknown.

Distribution. This species is found in the northwestern part of Madagascar (Figure 13).
Clada (Clada) madagascarensis sp. n.
http://zoobank.org/32F329CB-F712-49DB-80E6-F28B4EE00B18
Figs 5, 14, 23a, b, 32

Type material. Holotype male: Madagascar, Mahajanga distr., Ampatika env., 17.–20. xi.1995, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI). Paratypes (21): 4 males and 1 female, the same data as holotype (FGMRI); 10 males, Madagascar, Morondava distr., Kirindy, 23.–25. xi.1997, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI 4 ex., LBVC 2 ex., MTDC 2 ex., NHMUK 2 ex.); 1 male: Madagascar, Mahajanga distr., Ambodimanga env., 14.–16.xi.1995, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI); 2 males: Madagascar, Morondava distr., Maronfandilia, 4.v.1995, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI); 2 male: Madagascar, Mahajanga prov., Mahajamba riv., Ampatika env., 17.–19.xi.1995, I. Jeniš lgt. (FGMRI); 1 female: Madagascar, Toliara env., 23.–27.xi.1996, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI).

Differential diagnosis. This species is similar to C. (C.) humeralis Pic, 1926, but differs by the lighter colour of the elytra and missing lighter humeri. Both sexes have pectinate antennae, while the female of C. (C.) humeralis Pic, 1926 has serrate antennae. Fully differs by shape of the aedeagus. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.

Description. Male (holotype). Elongate-elliptical, transversally convex. Body length 6.0 mm, maximum width 2.5 mm (Figure 5). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.6. Whole body brown, only antennae, palp slightly lighter and pronotum slightly darker. Pubescence white.

Head shiny, with double punctuation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter, sometimes almost touching; other one is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence recumbent or semi-erect, long, inclined mostly forwards. Clypeus with shallow transverse depression. Eyes large, globular with short erect sparse pubescence. Frons twice as wide as diameters of the eye, from dorsal view. Antennae consisting of eleven antennomeres, 4th to 10th pectinate (Figure 23a). 1st antennomere robust, twice as long as wide; 2nd smallest, only 1/3 long as 1st, as wide as long, same width as the 1st. 3rd serrate, as long as wide; 4th to 8th twice long as wide; 9th 1.7 times as wide as long; 10th 1.5 times as wide as long. Apical antennomere longest, oblong oval, 6.6 times as long as wide. All antennomeres with short recumbent pubescence, only 1st with a few long semi-erect setae. Apical maxillary palpomere long, spindle shaped.

Pronotum convex, matt-shiny, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.7); widest in middle. Base of pronotum finely bordered. Middle of pronotum at base with blunt small swelling, posteriorly slightly sharpened. Surface of pronotum with double punctuation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; other one is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence long, sparse, recumbent, inclined more or less to middle of pronotum.

Scutellum large, longitudinally trapezoidal, narrow, almost as long as wide, densely recumbent pubescence, inclined backwards, surface almost invisible.

Elytra oval, transversally convex, shining, with distinct humeri. Each elytron with five very fine costae, more distinct on second half of elytron. Surface of elytra irregular
punctated, puncture coarse, dense, umbilicate. Pubescence relatively sparse, recumbent, inclined backwards. Posterior margin of each elytron with approximately 25 very small teeth.

Legs stout, with short and dense recumbent pubescence. All tarsi robust, same length as tibia. 1st metatarsomere as long as 2nd and 3rd together, same width, slightly emarginate on top, 4th slightly shorter than previous, more emarginate, almost to 2/3 of their length. 5th is same length as 3rd and 4th together, rectangular, wider on the top, with two large claws, without teeth.

For aedeagus see Figure 32.

Female. Antennae less pectinate than in male (damaged, only six antennomeres remain – Figure 23b). Body length 5.7 mm, maximum width 2.1 mm.

**Variability.** Body length 5.7–7.1 mm, maximum width 2.1–2.8 mm.

**Name derivation.** Latin adjective, referring to the occurrence of the new species in Madagascar.

**Biology.** Unknown.

**Distribution.** This species is found in the western part of Madagascar (Figure 14).

**Clada (Clada) mamyi sp. n.**

http://zoobank.org/C07FB3A7-6981-4570-920C-220305AC455F

Figs 6, 15, 24, 33

**Type material.** Holotype male: Madagascar, Antananarivo prov., Manankazo env., 15.–17.xii.1996, I. Jeniš lgt. (FGMRI).

**Differential diagnosis.** Differs from other species of this genus from sub-saharan and southern African regions by a lack of elytral costae. Fully differs by shape of the aedeagus. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.

**Description.** Male (holotype). Elongate-elliptical, transversally convex. Body length 3.9 mm, maximum width 1.6 mm (Figure 6). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.7. Body brown, head and pronotum darker, antennae lighter. Pubescence white.

**Head** shining, with coarse, dense, umbilicate punctated, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter. Pubescence recumbent, short, sparse, inclined mostly forwards. Clypeus with shallow transverse depression. Eyes large, globular with very short erect sparse pubescence, almost invisible. Frons 1.3 times as wide as diameter of the eye, from dorsal view. Antennae probably consisting of eleven antennomeres (they are damaged, only 6 antennomeres remain – Figure 24), 3rd to 6th pectinate. 1st antennomere robust, three times as long as wide; 2nd smallest, 3 times shorter than 1st, as long as wide, same width as 1st. 3rd 1.2 times wider as long; 4th 1.3 times wider than long; 5th and 6th 2.2 times wider than long. Other antennomeres are slightly damaged or missing. All antennomeres without pubescence. Apical maxillary palpmere short, spindle shaped.

**Pronotum** convex, matt-shiny, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.6); widest in middle. Base of pronotum finely bordered. Pronotum without swelling. Surface
of pronotum with coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures smaller than their diameter. Pubescence long, sparse, recumbent, inclined more or less forwards.

Scutellum large, longitudinally almost rectangular, 1.1 times as long as wide, densely recumbent pubescence, inclined backwards, surface shining with fine dense puncture.

Elytra oval, transversally convex, shining, humeri almost indistinct. Each elytron with only very fine quasi-costae. Surface of elytra with double punctuation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate, punctures almost touching; other one is very fine, punctures also almost touching. Pubescence relatively sparse, recumbent, on sides also semi-erect, inclined backwards. Posterior margin of each elytron with approximately 25 very small teeth.

Legs stout, with short and dense recumbent pubescence. All tarsi slim, 1.2 as long as tibia. 1st metatarsomere as long as 2nd to 4th together, and same length as 5th. 2nd is same length as 3rd and 4th together. 4th only slightly emarginate. 5th long and slim with long slim claws, without teeth.

For aedeagus see Figure 33.

Female. Unknown.

Name derivation. Patronym, dedicated to Dr Mamy A Rakotoarijaona from Madagascar National Parks, Antananarivo (Directeur des Opérations).

Biology. Unknown.

Distribution. This species is found in the central part of Madagascar (Figure 15).

Clada (Clada) njakai sp. n.
http://zoobank.org/D3CD1585-C840-41A0-9290-E8FFCD375206
Figs 7, 16, 25, 34

Type material. Holotype male: Madagascar, Toliara prov., Tsimanampetsotsa N. P., Mitoho camp, 24°02.898’S, 43°45.138’E, 10 m a. s. l., 12.–13.i.2014, M. Trýzna leg.
Paratypes (15): 1 male: the same data as holotype; 13 males: Madagascar, Toliara prov., Tsimanampetsotsa N. P., Andranovao camp, 24°01.505’S, 43°44.306’E, 15 m a. s. l., 14.–15.i.2014, M. Trýzna leg. (FGMRI 7 ex., LBVC 2 ex., MTDC 2 ex., NHMUK 2 ex.).

Differential diagnosis. This species is similar to C. (C.) humeralis Pic, 1926, but differs by the lighter colour of the elytra and missing lighter humeri. Fully differs by shape of the aedeagus. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.

Description. Male (holotype). Elongate-elliptical, transversally convex. Body length 5.3 mm, maximum width 2.1 mm (Figure 7). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.8. Whole body dark brown, only antennae, maxillary and labial palpi and humeri on elytra moderately lighter. Pubescence yellowish-white.

Head matt-shiny, with double punctuation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; other one very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence recumbent or semi-erect, short, inclined backwards; on sides of head semi-erect and long, inclined forwards. Clypeus with shallow transverse depression. Eyes large, globular with short erect sparse pubescence. Frons twice as wide as diameters of eye, from dorsal view. Antennae consisting of eleven antennomeres, 4th
to 10th pectinate (Figure 25). 1st antennomere robust, twice as long as wide; 2nd smallest, only one-half length of 1st, as long as wide, slightly narrower than 1st. 3rd serrate, as long as wide; 4th and 5th 1.8 times wider than long; 6th and 7th 1.5 times wider than long; the 8th and 9th 1.3 times wider as long; and 10th 1.1 times as wide as long. Apical antennomere is longest, oblong oval, 4.3 times as long as wide. All antennomeres on margin with short erect dense setae. Apical maxillary palpomere long, spindle shaped.

_Pronotum_ convex, matt-shiny, rounded, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.7); widest at 2/3 posteriorly. Base of pronotum finely bordered. Middle of pronotum at base with blunt small swelling, posteriorly slightly sharpened. Surface of pronotum with double punctuation, one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; other one is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence long, sparse, recumbent, inclined more or less to middle of pronotum.

_Scutellum_ triangular, narrow, 1.3 times as long as wide, very densely recumbent pubescence, inclined backwards, surface is not visible.

_Elytra_ oval, transversally convex, shining, with distinct humeri. Each elytron with five fine costae, almost invisible, but apex more distinct. Surface of elytra with double punctuation, one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; other one is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence relatively sparse, recumbent or semi-erect, inclined backwards. Posterior margin of each elytron with approximately 25 small teeth.

_Legs_ stout, with short and dense recumbent pubescence. All tarsi robust, same length as tibia. 1st metatarsomere as long as 2nd and 3rd together, same width, slightly emarginate on top, 4th slightly shorter than previous, more emarginate, almost to 2/3 of their length. 5th is same length as 3rd and 4th together, rectangular, wider on the top, with two large claws, without teeth.

For _aedeagus_ see Figure 34.

Female. Unknown.

**Variability.** Body length 4.7–7.1 mm, maximum width 1.8–2.8 mm.

**Name derivation.** Patronym, dedicated to Adolphe Randrianjaka (University of Antananarivo, Faculty of Sciences, Department of Entomology), whom we called Njaka.

**Biology.** Unknown. All specimens were collected at light.

**Distribution.** This species is found in the southwestern part of Madagascar (Figure 16).

_Clada_ (**Clada**) _obesa_ sp. n.

http://zoobank.org/D6AB5731-53E8-4709-9FDB-61614AEEB6F9
Figs 8, 17, 26

**Type material.** **Holotype female:** Madagascar, Mahajanga prov., Ampatika env., Mahajamba riv., 10.–12.xii.1996, I. Jeniš lgt. (FGMRI).

**Differential diagnosis.** Differs from other African species by the shape of the body, which is very arched. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.
Description. Female (holotype). Short, elongate-elliptical, extremely strongly transversally convex (any other species from genus *Clada* Pascoe, 1887 is not so convex). Body length 8.0 mm, maximum width 4.4 mm (Figure 8). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.6. Body dark brown, pronotum piceous-black, legs dark brown, antennae and maxillary and labial palpi lighter, brown. Pubescence yellowish white.

**Head** matt; dense, coarse, umbilicate punctuation, with long recumbent or semi-erect dense pubescence, with sparse long erect setae, inclined more or less forwards, only on vertex partly inclined to middle or backwards. Clypeus with deep transversal furrow, frons flattened. Eyes large, globular with short erect sparse brown pubescence. Frons wide, 2.9 times as wide as diameter of eye (from dorsal view). Antennae consisting of eleven antennomeres, serrate (Figure 26). 1\textsuperscript{st} antennomere robust, twice as long as wide, with dense long erect hairs; 2\textsuperscript{nd} small, as wide as 1\textsuperscript{st}, only one-half of their length, as long as wide. 3\textsuperscript{rd} slightly serrate, 1.5 times as long as wide. Antennomeres 4\textsuperscript{th} to 10\textsuperscript{th} serrate; 4\textsuperscript{th} 1.1 times as long as wide, 5\textsuperscript{th} 1.5 times as long as wide; 6\textsuperscript{th} 1.3 times as long as wide, 7\textsuperscript{th} to 10\textsuperscript{th} 1.6 times as long as wide, 11\textsuperscript{th} oblong oval, 2.6 times as long as wide. Apical maxillary palpomere long, spindle shaped.

**Pronotum** convex, matt shining, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.7), widest in last third. Base of pronotum finely bordered. Middle of pronotum at base with high blunt swelling, on their sides shallow, almost invisible rounded depression. Surface of pronotum coarsely, densely, umbilicate punctate, distance between punctures smaller than their diameter, almost touching. Pubescence short, recumbent or semi-erect, inclined largely backwards, on sides inclined obliquely backward, on anterior margin inclined from sides to middle; from anterior margin to swelling in middle arranged to narrow strip.

**Scutellum** large, almost triangular (on top slightly rounded), 1.2 times as long as wide. Surface distinct with dense and coarse umbilicate punctuation, with short, dense, recumbent pubescence inclined backwards.

**Elytra** short oval, transversally strongly convex, shining, with distinct humeri. Each elytron slightly irregular bent, with fifth costae, which are only slightly visible (especially from lateral view). Surface of elytra with double punctuation. One very coarse, dense, umbilicate, irregular, diameter between punctures smaller than their diameter. Other one relatively fine, dense; punctures almost touching. Pubescence short, sparse, inclined backwards.

**Legs** stout, with short and dense recumbent pubescence. All tarsi robust, same length as tibia. 1\textsuperscript{st} metatarsomere as long as 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 3\textsuperscript{rd} together, same width, slightly emarginate on top, 4\textsuperscript{th} slightly shorter than previous, more emarginate, almost to 2/3 of their length. 5\textsuperscript{th} is same length as 3\textsuperscript{rd} and 4\textsuperscript{th} together, rectangular, wider on the top, with two large claws, without teeth.

Male. Unknown.

**Name derivation.** Derived from the shape of body, from the Latin *obesus* for plump.

**Biology.** Unknown.

**Distribution.** This species is found in the northwestern part of Madagascar (Figure 17).
Nine new species of Clada from Madagascar

Clada (Clada) rindrai sp. n.
http://zoobank.org/55124B57-580F-4909-A8BC-79414B5C1B23
Figs 9, 18, 27, 35

Type material. Holotype male: Madagascar, Toliara prov., Toliara env., 23.–27. xi.1996, J. Stolarczyk lgt. (FGMRI).

Differential diagnosis. This species is similar to C. (C.) humeralis Pic, 1926, but differs by the lighter colour of the elytra and missing lighter humeri. Fully differs by shape of the aedeagus. For differences from other Madagascan species, see key.

Description. Male (holotype). Elongate-elliptical, transversally convex. Body length 6.6 mm, maximum width 2.5 mm (Figure 9). Ratio length:width of elytra 1.5. Body brown, pronotum darker; antennae, maxillary and labial palpi and legs lighter. Pubescence yellowish white.

Head matt-shiny, with double punctation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; other one is very fine, almost invisible, punctures almost touching. Pubescence semi-erect, long, in anterior part inclined forwards, in posterior part inclined more or less backwards. Clypeus with shallow transverse depression, shiny. Eyes large, globular with long erect dense pubescence. Frons 2.7 times as wide as diameter of the eye, from dorsal view. Antennae consisting of eleven antennomeres, 4\textsuperscript{th} to 10\textsuperscript{th} pectinate (Figure 27). 1\textsuperscript{st} antennomere robust, 2.5 times as long as wide; 2\textsuperscript{nd} smallest, almost triangular, only one-half long as the 1\textsuperscript{st}, as long as wide, slightly narrower as the 1\textsuperscript{st}. The 3\textsuperscript{rd} strongly serrate, as long as wide, 1.8 times as width of 1\textsuperscript{st}. 4\textsuperscript{th} to 9\textsuperscript{th} 1.4 times as wide as long; 10\textsuperscript{th} 0.9 times shorter as long. Apical antennomere is longest, oblong oval, 5.7 times as long as wide. All antennomeres on margin with short erect dense setae. Apical maxillary palpomere long, spindle shaped.

Pronotum convex, matt-shiny, rounded, transverse (ratio length:width of pronotum 0.8); widest at 2/3 posteriorly. Base of pronotum finely bordered. Middle of pronotum at base with blunt small swelling, posteriorly slightly sharpened. Surface of pronotum with double punctation – one coarse, dense, umbilicate; distance between punctures approximately one half of their diameter, some punctures almost touching; other one is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence long, dense, semi-erect, inclined more or less to middle of pronotum, only on sides inclined to margin.

Scutellum triangular with blunt top, narrow, 1.8 times as long as wide, very sparse and short recumbent pubescence, inclined backwards.

Elytra oval, transversally convex, shiny, with distinct humeri. Each elytron with five fine costae, almost invisible, but apex more distinct. Surface of elytra with double punctation, one coarse, dense, umbilicate, distance between punctures approximately the same as their diameter; other one is very fine, punctures almost touching. Pubescence relatively sparse, recumbent partly also semi-erect, inclined backwards. Posterior margin of each elytron with approximately 25 small teeth.
Legs stout, with short and dense recumbent pubescence. All tarsi robust, same length as tibia. 1st metatarsomere as long as 2nd and 3rd together, same width, slightly emarginate on top. 4th slightly shorter than previous, more emarginate, almost to 2/3 of their length. 5th is same length as 3rd and 4th together, rectangular, wider on the top, with two large claws, without teeth.

For aedeagus see Figure 35.

Female. Unknown

Name derivation. Patronym, dedicated to Mr Rindra Andriamahefasoa (Chef de Volet Conservation et Recherche, Andasibe-Mantadia National Park).

Biology. Unknown.

Distribution. This species is found in the southwestern part of Madagascar (Figure 18).

Key to Clada (s. str.) from Madagascar

1  Body extremely strongly convex, large species (8 mm), quite differ by shape of body from other species of this genus; between swelling and posterior margin of pronotum wide flattened (only female holotype known)..............................\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) obesa sp. n.
– Body convex, smaller (maximum 7 mm), between swelling and posterior margin only very slim flattened (males)..............................2

2  Elytra with distinct longitudinal rows of dense recumbent hairs, aedeagus Fig. 30 ..................................................\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) fasciata sp. n.
– Elytra without distinct rows of dense recumbent hairs..........................3

3  Elytra with very fine quasi costae or without distinct costae, eyes with very short hairs, aedeagus Fig. 33 ......................\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) mamyi sp. n.
– Elytra with more or less distinct costae, eyes with distinct hairs...............4

4  The 3rd antennomere serrate......................................................\n– The 3rd antennomere pectinate..................................................6

5  Swelling on pronotum sharpened, aedeagus Fig. 34..............................\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) njakai sp. n.
– Swelling on pronotum blunt, aedeagus Fig. 35..............................\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) rindrai sp. n.

6  Lateral projection of the 3rd antennomere shorter than the length of this antennomere, aedeagus Fig. 32 ............\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) madagascarensis sp. n.
– Lateral projection of the 3rd antennomere longer than the length of this antennomere ..........................................................7

7  Elytra yellow-brown ........................................................................8
– Elytra dark brown, aedeagus Fig. 31..............................\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) lalae sp. n.

8  The 2nd antennomere as long as wide, aedeagus Fig. 29..............................\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) dimbyi sp. n.
– The 2nd antennomere distinctly longer than wide, aedeagus Fig. 28....................\n\n..............................Clada (Clada) barclayi sp. n.
Table 1. Main distinguishing characters of species of the genus *Clada* (s. str.) from the Southern African Region and Madagascar.

| Species                      | Antennae | Costae/rows of hairs | Colour of elytra | Figure of aedeagus          |
|------------------------------|----------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| *C. (C.) barclayi* sp. n.    | P        | yes/no               | light brown      | Zahradník & Trýzna          |
| *C. (C.) basilewskyi* Español, 1969 | S        | yes/no               | dark brown       | Español, 1969b               |
| *C. (C.) costipennis* Kolbe, 1897 | P        | yes/yes              | dark brown       | Absent                      |
| *C. (C.) dimbyi* sp. n.      | P        | yes/no               | light brown      | Zahradník & Trýzna          |
| *C. (C.) fasciata* sp. n.    | S        | yes/yes              | Brown            | Zahradník & Trýzna          |
| *C. (C.) flabellicornis* Pic, 1936 | P        | yes/yes              | Rusty            | absent                      |
| *C. (C.) granulata* Español, 1972 | S        | yes/no               | Black            | Español, 1972               |
| *C. (C.) humeralis* Pic, 1926 | P        | yes/no               | black (piceous)  | absent                      |
| *C. (C.) lalae* sp. n.       | P        | yes/no               | dark brown       | Zahradník & Trýzna          |
| *C. (C.) lineatipennis* Pic, 1926 | P        | yes/yes              | black (piceous)  | absent                      |
| *C. (C.) longicornis* Pic, 1934 | F        | yes/yes              | Rusty            | absent                      |
| *C. (C.) madagascarensis* sp. n. | P        | yes/no               | Brown            | Zahradník & Trýzna          |
| *C. (C.) mamyi* sp. n.       | P        | no/no                | Brown            | Zahradník & Trýzna          |
| *C. (C.) multistriata* Pic, 1952 | P        | yes/yes              | black (piceous)  | absent                      |
| *C. (C.) njakai* sp. n.      | P        | yes/no               | dark brown       | Zahradník & Trýzna          |
| *C. (C.) obea* sp. n.        | S        | yes/no               | dark brown       | absent                      |
| *C. (C.) rindrai* sp. n.     | P        | yes/no               | Brown            | Zahradník & Trýzna          |
| *C. (C.) rugosa* Pic, 1915   | P        | yes/yes              | Rusty            | no                          |
| *C. (C.) waterhousei* Pascoe, 1887 | P        | yes/no               | rusty or black   | no                          |

Abbreviations: F-filiform; P-pectinate; S-serrate

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