Species of *Xorides* (*Xorides*) (Hymenoptera: Ichneumonidae: Xoridinae) parasitizing wood-boring insects in the Palaearctic part of China

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Thirteen species of *Xorides* (*Xorides*) parasitizing wood-boring insects in trunks and branches of trees are reported. Three of them, *X. (Xorides) pissodius* Sheng & Wen sp. n. reared from *Pissodes nitidus* Roelofs (Curculionidae, Coleoptera) in *Larix principis-rupprechtii* Mayr (Pinaceae), *X. (Xorides) tumidus* Sheng & Wen sp. n. reared from Cerambycidae in *Quercus* sp. (Fagaceae) and *X. (Xorides) longicaudus* Sheng & Wen sp. n. are new to science. *X. (Xorides) ater* (Gravenhorst, 1829) is a new record for China. Some new host records are provided. A key to species of *Xorides* (*Xorides*) of the Palaearctic part of China is presented.

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1. Introduction

The subgenus *Xorides* Latreille 1809 belonging to the genus *Xorides* of the ichneumonid subfamily Xoridinae are parasitoids of woodboring and are distributed worldwide except for the Australian Region (Townes 1970, Yu & Horstmann 1997). A key to subgenus of genus *Xorides* and their diagnostic characters were provided by Townes (1970). Nine species have previously been recorded from the Palaearctic part of China (Wang & Gupta 1995, Liu & Sheng 1998, Sheng et al. 2002). This study has resulted in the recognition of a total of thirteen species, three of which are new to science and one new record for China. The study has also resulted in several new host records.

2. Methods

Materials used were collected using the following methods.

*Rearing parasitoids.* Trunks and branches of naturally heavily infested trees were brought to the laboratory and maintained in a large nylon cage at room-temperature. Water was sprayed over the trunks and branches twice a week and emerged insects collected daily.

*Rearing parasitoid larvae and pupae.* Parasitoid larvae and cocoons were collected from
galleries of wood-borer infested logs, and stored individually in glass tubes with a piece of filter paper dipped in distilled water for keeping moisture and plugged tightly with absorbent cotton wool.

**Direct collection.** Parasitoid adults were collected from infested tree trunks and branches, and in forest generally, using standard insect nets.

**Loaned material.** Additional material was borrowed from the Zoologische Staatssammlung München, Germany, the Department of Forest Protection, Forest Research Institute, Warsaw, Poland and the Osaka Museum of Natural History, Osaka, Japan.

**Identifying host specimens.** Hosts, investigated from 1988 to 1990 in Tuqian, Daxing’anling, Heilongjiang Province, were identified by Prof. Fu-Ji Pu, Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, P. R. China. Others were identified by comparing with the specimens deposited in Insect Museum, General Station of Forest Pest Management, State Forestry Administration, Shenyang, P. R. China. Some hosts can only be identified to family by the head shell of the incomplete dead insect in the gallery nearby parasitoid larvae or cocoons.

Morphological terminology mostly follows Townes (1969). Wing vein nomenclature is based upon Ross (1936) and the terminology of Mason (1986).

All specimens of Ichneumonidae and hosts except those identified by Prof. Fu-Ji Pu preserved in Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, P. R. China, are deposited in Insect Museum, General Station of Forest Pest Management, State Forestry Administration, P. R. China.

### 3. Descriptions of new species of *Xorides* (Xorides) and records and host information of other species in Palaearctic China

**Subgenus Xorides Latreille, 1809**


**Diagnosis.** Fore wing with 1cu-a distal of 1/M. 2rs-m to base of 2m-cu by more than its length. All trochanters without teeth.

#### 3.1. Xorides (Xorides) longicaudus

**Sheng & Wen sp. n. (Fig. 1)**

**Material examined.** Holotype ♀, Ganshan Park, 1,000 m, N34°42’, E111°06’, Shandian County, Henan Province, 31.V.2000, Mei-Cai Wei. Type is deposited in Insect Museum, General Station of Forest Pest Management, State Forestry Administration, Shenyang, P. R. China.

**Diagnosis.** The new species is similar to *X. (X.) furcatus* Liu et Sheng, 1998 but can be distinguished from the latter by inner orbits black, postocellar line 1.3 times as long as ocular-ocellar line, wings without brown mark, first tergite of metasoma about 3.6 times longer than its apical width. *X. (X.) furcatus* with inner orbits white, postocellar line about as long as ocular-ocellar line, wings with brown marks, first tergite of metasoma about 2 times longer than its apical width.

**Description.** Holotype female: Body length about 18 mm. Forewing length about 13 mm. Face convex, about 0.5 times as long as wide, with dense transverse wrinkles and indistinct punctures. Clypeal suture distinct, middle section between clypeal foveas straight. Clypeus flat, its sub-base with a distinct transverse ridge. Labrum crescent, its apical margin with dense hairs. Subocular sulcus distinct. Malar space 0.7 times as long as basal width of mandible. Temple weakly swollen, with dense longitudinal wrinkles, front and hind portions with punctures. Vertex evenly convex, with dense punctures (Fig. 1a), hind portion with short transverse wrinkles. Postocellar line 1.3 times as long as ocular-ocellar line. Frons weakly convex, with dense punctures and a median longitudinal groove, upper portion with oblique transverse wrinkles. Occipital carina widely interrupted in the median dorsal area. Antenna filiform with 27 flagellomeres, flagellomeres 22 to 26 with peglike bristles. Lower portion of pronotum with short longitudinal wrinkles. Mesoscutum with dense punctures, hind portion with dense longitudinal wrinkles. Scuto-scutellar groove with a median longi-
tudinal carina. Mesopleuron with dense and fine punctures. Speculum distinct. Metapleuron rough. Propodeum areolated completely (Fig. 1b). Basal area long, apical halves of its lateral carinae nearly parallel. Areola hexagonal. Propodeal apophysis strong. Propodeal spiracle narrow. Wing hyaline. Fore wing with 1cu-a distal of 1/M; 3rs-m absent; 2rs-m wide and very short, 0.18 times as long as the distance between it to 2m-cu. Hind wing veins 1/Cu and cu-a about equal. First tergite of metasoma slightly rough, about 3.6 times longer than its apical width, lateral sides of apical portion with bowed out groove. Third tergite slightly longer than its apical width. Apical portion of eighth tergite elongate. Ovipositor sheath 19.5 mm long. Apical portion of lower valve of ovipositor with 8 ridges, basal 5 ridges very strong.

Black. Flagellomeres 9 to 13 and basal half of 14, marks on outer sides of basal portions of front and middle tibiae, basal rings of hind tibiae, apical halves of tarsomere 1, 2 to 4, and base of stigma white. Apical portion of palpi blackish. Clypeus, basal portions of mandibles and front sides of fore femora except base brown. Front sides of middle tibiae and inner sides of hind tibiae darkish brown. Front sides of fore tibiae, front and middle tarsomeres 1 to 4 grayish black.

**Etymology.** Specific name derived from the long and thick ovipositor sheath.

### 3.2. *Xorides (Xorides) pissodius*

**Sheng & Wen sp. n.** (Fig. 2)

**Material examined.** Holotype ♀, Liupanshan, 1900m, N35°24’, E106°23’, Ningxia, 12.VI. 2005, reared from a cocoon collected from galleries of *Pissodes nitidus* Roelofs (Curculionidae), Mao-Ling Sheng. Type is deposited in Insect Museum, General Station of Forest Pest Management, State Forestry Administration, Shenyang, P. R. China.

**Diagnosis.** This new species is similar to *X. (X.) brachylabis* (Kriechbaumer 1889) and can be distinguished from the latter by frons with dense transverse wrinkles; inner orbits black; ovipositor sheath 1.4X longer than hind tibia. *X. (Xorides) brachylabis* (Kriechbaumer): frons with fine punctures; inner orbits yellowish white; ovipositor sheath 2.6X longer than hind tibia.

**Description.** Holotype female: Body length about 6.1 mm. Forewing length about 4.5 mm. Face about 0.44 times as long as wide, with dense short-transverse wrinkles and punctures; its lateral sides with transverse wrinkles; evenly convex, slightly protuberant centrally. Clypeal suture distinct, middle section between clypeal foveae straight. Basal margin of clypeus with very fine transverse lines; near its base with a distinct transverse ridge, under the ridge flat and nearly smooth; lateral side with very weak transverse...
lines. Subocular sulcus distinct. Malar space about as long as basal width of mandible. Temple weakly swollen, with dense oblique-longitudinal wrinkles, front portion with dense transverse wrinkles. Vertex evenly convex, with dense and even punctures (Fig. 2a). Posto-cellar line 1.4 times as long as ocular-ocellar line. Frons with dense transverse wrinkles and a median longitudinal groove. Antenna filiform with 20 flagellomeres; each of the flagellomeres longer than wide; with 5 peglike bristles on flagellomeres 18 to 20. Occipital carina complete. Front portion of pronotum with dense longitudinal wrinkles, hind portion with punctures. Mesoscutum rough, with unclear punctures, hind median portion with oblique wrinkles. Mesopleuron with fine and weak punctures. Metapleuron very rough, with dense and irregular reticulation. Wing brownish hyaline. Forewing vein 1cu-a distinctly distal of 1/M; 3rs-m absent; 2rs-m wide and short, 0.25 times as long as the distance between it and 2m-cu. Hind wing veins 1/Cu and cu-a equal. Propodeum (Fig. 2b) slightly rough, areolated completely; basal area triangular; areola pentagonal; apical area with indistinct longitudinal wrinkles; first lateral areas with oblique longitudinal wrinkles; other areas with very weak and irregular wrinkles. Propodeal apophysis strong. First tergite of metasoma 2.2 times longer than its apical width, with slight-rough leathery texture surface, median dorsal carinae indistinct, about reaching to half length of first tergite. Second and third tergites with dense and indistinct punctures; the former about as long as its apical width. Fourth and fifth tergites with very fine and short transverse lines. Ovipositor sheath about 3 mm long, 1.4X longer than hind tibia. Ovipositor thin, slightly downcurved, apical portion slightly depressed; apical portion of lower valve with 6 strong and inclivious ridges. Body black except the following. Clypeus darkish brown. Base of mandible crimson. Longitudinal line on front sides of fore tibiae and lower sides of scape blurry yellowish white. Flagellomeres 9 to 12 white. Base of forewing 1cu-a and mark under stigma slightly darkish brown. Bases of tibiae darkish red. Fore and middle tarsi brownish.  

*Cocoon*. Nearly columnar, about 9 mm long, median diameter about 1.7 mm. Light brown.  

*Host*. Cocoon of *X. (Xorides)* was found in galleries of *Pissodes nitidus* Roelofs (Curculionidae) in *Larix principis-rupprechtii* Mayr.  

*Etymology*. Specific name derived from its host, *Pissodes nitidus* Roelofs.  

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**3.3. Xorides (Xorides) tumidus**  
Sheng & Wen sp. n. (Fig. 3)


*Diagnosis*. This new species is similar to *X. 
**Description.** Holotype female: Body length about 14.5 mm. Forewing length about 11.5 mm. Face 0.6 times as long as wide, slightly convex, with dense punctures, lateral portion with short transverse wrinkles; lower portion with short longitudinal wrinkles. Clypeal suture distinct. Clypeus smooth, near its base with a distinct transverse ridge, under the ridge flat. Each of apical 3 segments of labial palpi short and with very thick apical portion; median portion of apical segment (Fig. 3c) strongly swollen dorsally and slightly depressed, apical portion very small and tapered. Subocular sulcus distinct. Cheek smooth, inner portion with fine and sparse punctures, outer portion with dense longitudinal wrinkles. Malar space 0.5 times as long as basal width of mandible. Lower portion of temple with weak longitudinal wrinkles, upper portion with very shallow and sparse punctures. Vertex evenly convex, with sparse punctures (Fig. 3a). Postocular line 1.3 times as long as ocular-ocellar line. Frons with very shallow and even punctures. Antenna with 28 flagellomeres; peg-like bristles on flagellomeres 22 to 25. Occipital carina complete. Pronotum smooth, front margin with dense longitudinal wrinkles, lateral side concave with dense and short transverse wrinkles, hind portion with punctures. Mesoscutum with dense punctures, hind median portion with short wrinkles. Mesopleuron smooth, with very fine and sparse punctures. Metapleuron rough, with very dense and irregular wrinkles. Wing brownish hyaline. Forewing vein 1cu-a slightly distal of 1/M; 3rs-m absent; 2rs-m short, 0.15 times as long as the distance between it and 2m-cu. Hind wing veins 1/Cu slightly longer than cu-a. Claws very small. Propodeum (Fig. 3b) with dense rough punctures. Basal area and outside of its longitudinal carinae with transverse wrinkles. Apical area with dense longitudinal wrinkles. Basal area long, nearly triangular, comparted from areola by basal transverse carina. Areola combined with apical area. Propodeal apophysis indistinct. First tergite of metasoma 2.0 times longer than its apical width, with very dense punctures; apical portion nearly flat, lateral portion with irregular wrinkles; median dorsal carinae present as a trace; spiracles convex. Other tergites transverse. Basal half of tergite 2 with dense punctures, lateral portions of apical half with irregular fine wrinkles. Tergite 3

**Xorides** *brachylabis* Kriechbaumer and can be distinguished from the latter by the apical 3 segments of labial palpi short and very thick; median portion of apical segment strongly swollen dorsally and slightly depressed, apical portion very small and tapered. Subocular sulcus distinct. Cheek smooth, inner portion with fine and sparse punctures, outer portion with dense longitudinal wrinkles. Malar space 0.5 times as long as basal width of mandible. Lower portion of temple with weak longitudinal wrinkles, upper portion with very shallow and sparse punctures. Vertex evenly convex, with sparse punctures (Fig. 3a). Postocular line 1.3 times as long as ocular-ocellar line. Frons with very shallow and even punctures. Antenna with 28 flagellomeres; peg-like bristles on flagellomeres 22 to 25. Occipital carina complete. Pronotum smooth, front margin with dense longitudinal wrinkles, lateral side concave with dense and short transverse wrinkles, hind portion with punctures. Mesoscutum with dense punctures, hind median portion with short wrinkles. Mesopleuron smooth, with very fine and sparse punctures. Metapleuron rough, with very dense and irregular wrinkles. Wing brownish hyaline. Forewing vein 1cu-a slightly distal of 1/M; 3rs-m absent; 2rs-m short, 0.15 times as long as the distance between it and 2m-cu. Hind wing veins 1/Cu slightly longer than cu-a. Claws very small. Propodeum (Fig. 3b) with dense rough punctures. Basal area and outside of its longitudinal carinae with transverse wrinkles. Apical area with dense longitudinal wrinkles. Basal area long, nearly triangular, parted from areola by basal transverse carina. Areola combined with apical area. Propodeal apophysis indistinct. First tergite of metasoma 2.0 times longer than its apical width, with very dense punctures; apical portion nearly flat, lateral portion with irregular wrinkles; median dorsal carinae present as a trace; spiracles convex. Other tergites transverse. Basal half of tergite 2 with dense punctures, lateral portions of apical half with irregular fine wrinkles. Tergite 3
with very fine punctures, basal portion slightly rough. Tergites 4 to 7 with very weak and unclear transverse lines. Ovipositor sheath about 13 mm long. Ovipositor relatively slender, its apex bended down; apical portion of lower valve with 8 ridges, basal 4 ridges inclivous and very strong.

Body black except the following portions. Flagellomeres 11 to 14 white. Front femora and tibiae blackish brown. Front tarsus, middle tibiae and tarsus brownish black. Bases of femora darkish red.

**Hosts.** Reared from Cerambycidae in trunk of *Quercus* sp. (Fagaceae).

**Etymology.** This species name is based on the very swollen labial palpi.

### 3.4. Xorides (Xorides) aculeatus
**Liu & Sheng, 1998**

**Material examined.** 1♀, China: Xinbin, Liaoning Province, 29.V.1994, Mao-Ling Sheng.

**Hosts.** Reared from Cerambycidae in trunk of *Quercus* sp.

### 3.5. Xorides (Xorides) ater
**(Gravenhorst, 1829)**

New record for China.

**Material examined.** 1♀, Tuqian, Daxing’anling, Heilongjiang Province, 24.VII.1989, Mao-Ling Sheng.

**Host.** Reared from *Tetropium* sp. (Cerambycidae) under the bark of *Larix gmelini* (Rupr.) Rupr.

### 3.6. Xorides (Xorides) brachylabis
**(Kriechbaumer, 1889)**

**Material examined.** 1♀, Tuqian, Daxing’anling, Heilongjiang Province, 16.VII.1988, Mao-Ling Sheng; 2♀♀, Tuqian, Daxing’anling, Heilongjiang Province, 24.VII.1989, Mao-Ling Sheng.

**Host.** Reared from Cerambycidae in trunk of *Larix gmelini* (Rupr.) Rupr.

### 3.7. Xorides (Xorides) erigentis
**Wang & Gupta, 1995**

**Material examined.** 1♀, Tuqian, Daxing’anling, Heilongjiang Province, 16.VII.1988, Mao-Ling Sheng.

**Host.** Reared from Cerambycidae in trunk of *Larix gmelini* (Rupr.) Rupr.

### 3.8. Xorides (Xorides) furcatus
**Liu & Sheng, 1998**

**Material examined.** 1♀, Mianchi, Henan Province, May, 1981, Zhen-Ya Shi.

**Host.** Unknown.

### 3.9. Xorides (Xorides) hirtus
**Liu & Sheng, 1998**


**Hosts.** Cerambycid in trunk of *Quercus* sp.

### 3.10. Xorides (Xorides) irrigator
**(Fabricius, 1793)**


**Host.** Reared from *Tetropium castaneus* (L.) and *Tetropium gabrieli* in branches and trunk of *Larix gmelini* (Rupr.) Rupr.

### 3.11. Xorides (Xorides) praecatorius
**(Fabricius, 1793)**

**Material examined.** 1♂, Xiaoxing’anling, Heilongjiang Province, VII.1995, Shu-Ping Sun.

**Host.** Unknown.
3.12. Xorides (Xorides) sapporensis
(Uchida, 1928)


Hosts. Reared from larvae of Agrilus marcopoli Obenberger (Coleoptera: Buprestidae) in branches of Fraxinus sp. and other wood-boring Cerambycidae in Quercus sp. and Prunus spp.

3.13. Xorides (Xorides) sepulchralis
(Holmgren, 1860)


Hosts. Reared from Massicus raddei Blessig (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae) in branch and trunk of Quercus liaotungensis Koidz.

4. Key to the species of Xorides (Xorides) from the Palaeartic part of China

Females

1. Thorax and/or metasoma with large light flecks. 2
   Thorax and metasoma black, without light flecks. 5

2. Median dorsal carinae of first tergite of metasoma reaching to hind margin of first tergite. Body at least metasoma with yellow or white marks. 3
   Median dorsal carinae of first tergite of metasoma not reaching to hind margin of first tergite. Thorax or metasoma with red or reddish brown marks. 4

3. Second tergite of metasoma with fine reticulate surface. Thorax and metasoma with many yellow and white marks.

   X. (X.) praecatorius (Fabricius)
   Second tergite of metasoma with irregular longitudinal wrinkles. Thorax black. Tergites 4 to 6 posterolaterally with big white marks.

   X. (X.) sapporensis (Uchida)


   X. (X.) irrigator (Fabricius)
   Frons with fine punctures. Antenna without white ring. Fore wing without fleck. Metasoma entirely black.

   X. (X.) ater (Gravenhorst)

5. Occipital carina dorso-medially interrupted. 6
   Occipital carina complete. 9

6. Basal area of propodeum separated from areola by basal transverse carina. First tergite 3.6 times longer than its apical width. (Male unknown) X. (X.) longicaudus, sp.nov.
   Basal area combined with areola. First tergite at most 2.5 times longer than its apical width. 7

7. Ovipositor sheath 0.6–0.7X as long as fore wing. Areola confluent with basal area. Fore wing with darkish brown flecks.

   X. (X.) furcatus Liu et Sheng
   Ovipositor sheath at least as long as fore wing. Areola parted from basal area by basal transverse carina. Fore wing without fleck. 8

8. Malar space as long as basal width of mandi-
ble. First tergite 2.4 times longer than its apical width. Frons orbits entirely black. 

X. (X.) erigentis Wang & Gupta Malar space about 0.6X as long as basal width of mandible. First tergite 2.0 times longer than its apical width. Frontal orbits white. 

X. (X.) sepulchralis (Holmgren) 

9. Each of apical 3 segments of labial palpi short and with very thick apical portion; median portion of apical segment (Fig. 3c) strongly swollen dorsally and slightly depressed, apical portion very small and tapered. Basal area of propodeum separated from areola by carina. Areola combined with apical area. (Male unknown). 

X. (X.) tumidus, sp. nov. Labial palpi normal, not tumid. Basal area combined with areola. Areola separated from apical area by carina. 

10. First lateral areas of propodeum with oblique longitudinal wrinkles (Fig. 2b). Inner orbits black. (Male unknown). 

X. (X.) pissodius, n.sp. 

First lateral areas of propodeum with punctures. Inner orbits white. 

X. (X.) brachylabis (Kriechbaumer) 

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