Dacus (Lophodacus) ceropegiae (Munro)

Acanodacus ceropegiae Munro, 1984: 113

Wing length, 5.1-5.4 mm.

Head. Pedicel+1st flagellomere not longer than ptilinal suture. Face, antennal furrow with a dark spot. Frons, frontal setae 2, orbital seta 1.

Thorax. Scutum predominantly black; postpronotal lobe yellow; notopleural callus yellow; notopleural xanthine wedge shaped (connected to notopleural callus); lateral and medial postsutural vitta absent. Scutellum without any dark patterning (except for basal dark margin). Anepisternum with a stripe from notopleural callus to (or almost to) katepisternum; extended onto katepisternum. Laterotergal xanthine confined to katatergite. Thoracic setae. Anterior notopleural seta present; anterior supra-alar seta absent.

Wing. Basal cells bc and c without an almost complete covering of microtrichia; cell bm without microtrichia. Narrow subbasal raised section of cell br with microtrichia confined to anteriorly half (female) or completely absent (male). Crossvein R-M beyond middle of cell dm. Costal band reduced to a very narrow band, often absent or barely discernable, and a small apical spot. Anal streak absent (at most with a trace of colour confined to cell bcu). Cells bc and c hyaline. Without any crossbanding.

Legs. Femora pale to indistinctly bicoloured (pale basally, red-brown apically). Abdomen. Red-brown, patterned black; shape and patterning, see image. Tergites I-V all fused.

Male. Tergite III with pecten, dense microtrichia adjacent end A₁+Cu₂, and hindtibia preapical "pad". Basal costal sections (sometimes costagium only) with thickened setae.

Female. Aculeus truncate, slightly notched; partial torsion.

(Description after White, 2006)