

***Dacus (Psilodacus) scaber* Loew**

Dacus scaber Loew, 1862: 7

Wing length, 4.2-4.9 mm.

Head. Pedicel+1st flagellomere not longer than ptilinal suture. Face, antennal furrow without a dark spot. Frons, frontal setae 2, orbital seta 1.

Thorax. Scutum predominantly black; postpronotal lobe yellow; notopleural callus yellow; notopleural xanthine absent; lateral and medial postsutural vitta absent.

Scutellum without any dark patterning (except for basal dark margin).

Anepisternum apparently without a stripe (entire pleura pale). Laterotergal xanthine confined to katatergite (but barely differentiated from general colour of pleura). 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 an extensive covering of microtrichia, only redcing to anterior half apically (HT female) or devoid of microtrichia (BMNH male) [possibility of sexual dimorphism not confirmed]. Crossvein R-M beyond middle of cell dm. Costal band absent (reduced to a small apical spot). Anal streak absent (at most with a trace of colour confined to cell bcu). Cells bc and c hyaline. Crossbanding; isolated broad crossband on R-M.

Legs. Femora pale coloured.

Abdomen. Predominantly black; shape and patterning, see image. Tergites I-V all fused.

Male. Tergite III without pecten. Basal costal sections without specialised setae.

Female. Aculeus pointed; no torsion.

(Description after White, 2006)