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# NOTES ON TROGODERMA SPECIES (COLEOPTERA, DERMESTIDAE) OF IRAQ

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### ABSTRACT

Five species of Trogoderma Berthold are reported from Iraq. These are: I inclus, n LeCont. T. granarium Everts, T. variable Ballion. I. bactrianum Zantiev and T. irroraturn Reitter. A key to the species is presented, with redescriptions and illustrations of all species.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Trogoclernia Berthold is one of the largest genus in the family Dermestidae. It includes more than 120 species (Morcskowski. 1968). some of them are economically important. Several work have been done on the species of this genus in different part of the world such as Hinten (1945). Beal (1954) and Zantiev (1976). In Iraq no work has been done on this group except that some species appeared in faunistic lists such as Hussain (1963). who reported I granarium Everts. and I versicolor creuts. (I inclusum LeCont.). El-Haidari et al. (1972)

recorded T inclusurn and Thompson (1977) reported I. variable Ballion. Mawlood (1985) classified three specie I inclusum, T granariuni and I irroratun. and Abdul-Rassoul (1996) added T. bactrianun Zantiev for the Iraqi lists. This work presents redescription and distinguishing five species of Tregoderma so far have been found in Iraq.

# MATERIALS AND METHODS

The specimens were collected during March to August 1989 from different localities in Baghdad. Diyala. Erbil and Mosul. The specimens were placed in boiling water for ten minutes to soften their parts. Then the parts were seperated by two fine pins, to remove parts and put in 10% KOH which placed in water bath for five to fifteen minutes. After that placed in distilled water for few more minutes in order to neutralise the alkali. The parts are placed in ethyl alcohol 75% and dissected under microscope, then these parts were placed in Canada balsam to support slides for subsequent examination under microscope.

### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS**

Key to species of adult Trogoderma Berthold found in Iraq

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#### Trogoderina inclusurn LeConte

Adult.- Length. 2.5-5.0 mm.; breadth. 1.2-2.5mm. Body oval. Head as seen from dorsal view, small. Usually defiexed. most of it hidden underneath pronotum: its surrface with rounded or irregulary shaped punctures. which are as coarse as facet: of eye; inner margin of compound eyes strongly emarginated. Antenna with eleven segments: antennal club consist of six or seven segments in male, and four or five segment in female: terminal segment of club twice as long as broad in male (Fig. I) and not longer than broad in female. Mentum with anterior margin less imarginated.

Pronotum black to reddish brown with vague pale lateral maculatus and with punctures as fine as or finer than facet of eye, and with patch of white or nearly white hairs on middle of its base and sides. Elytra (Fig. 2) bicolours with black to reddish brown bands and spots and with punctures slightly but distinctly coarser than those of pronotal disc. Prosternum with broad and low median longitudinal carina on process or with process flat or feebly convex. Mesonternum with elevated part on both sides of sulcus as wide as or wider than long. Metasternum with latero-discal striae distinct. Legs dark to pale brown. with tarsi usually pale but rarely dark. Abdomen always with five segments clearly visible from ventral side: first abdominal sternite with lateral discal striae extending obliquely outward from inner margins of metacoxal cavities (Fig. 5). Transversal part of bridge joining paramers in male genitalia shallower than its lateral part (Fig. 6). Eighth abdominal tergite with lateral margin straight and trapesoidal in shape, setae along margin sensser, but sparse or lacking medially (Fig. 8). Ninth tergite with anterior margin of broader part stright or slightly sinuatte (Fig. 4).

Specimens studied: Iraq: Baghdad, May 1983: Erbil. November. 1989 from dried insect collections and from cereal products.

### Trogodernurn granariun7 Everts

Adult: Body. small oblong-oval: length, 1.6-3.0mm.. braedth. 0.9- 1.7mm. Head with punctures distinctly finer than facets of eye. Inner margin of compound eyes feebly emarignate. Autennal club with five segment in male and four segments in female: terminal segment a long as broad in male (Fig. 7), and not longer than its width in female. Mentum with anterior margin shallowly to emarginate.

Pronotum drak brown, sometimes nearly black with indistinct patches of yellowish or white hairs on both sides and its middle base. Elytra (Fig. 8) unicolours. with reddish brown or with darker vaguely defined markings: its surface with punctures shallow rounded and four times coarser than facets of eye. Prosternum with process not carinate but with median gibbosity on apex. Mesosternum with latero-discal striae absent or very short and indistinot. Legs pale

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brown; first abdominal sternite without lateral discal striae. Transversal part of bridge joining paramers in male genitalia broader than its lateral part (Fig. 11). Eight abdominal tergite with lateral margin rounded in shape and with more or less sclerotised setae along sometime tending to be grouped medially (Fig. 9). Ninth abdominal tergite with proximal of its broader part U in shape (Fig. 10); tenth tergite with many long steae.

Specimens studies: Iraq: Baghdad, March. 1983: Mosul. August. 1983 from cereals.

# Trogoderma variable Balion

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About: Body oval; length 3.0-4.5mm.: breadth 1.0-1.9mm. Head with punotures on anterior part of fnons and clypeus shallow and twice as coarse as facets of eye. Inner margin of compound eyes striaght or vary slightly emarinate. Amtennal club consists of eight segment in male and four segments in female: terminal segment of club slightly shorter than eight. ninth and and tenth segment combined (Fig. 12) in male. Mentum with antherior margin slightly

#### emarginated.

Pronotum black, covered with dark hair and with large patch of golde-brown hairs on both sides; its surface with punctures about as coarse as facets of eye. Elytra bicolours. reddish brown to black with yellow red to reddish brown spots. Prosternum with process moderately narrow: mesosternum with elevated part on either side of sulous as long. Metasternum not marked with discal striae. Legs with feora dark brown, tibiae and tarsi light. First abdominal sternite without lateral discal striae (Fig. 16). Transversal part of bridge joining paramers in male genitalia with slioght inward curve and about as broad as its lateral part (Fig. 17). Eighth abdominal tergite almost semicirucular in shape. more evenly selerotised. setae along margin sparser tending to be shorter medially (fig. 14). Ninth tergite with proximal margin of broader part clearly sinuate (Fig. 15). Tenth tergite with few short setae (Fig. 10). Specimens studied: Iraq: Baghdad. May. 1984 from insect collection.

### Trogoderma bactrianitrn Zantiev

Adult: body oval to subparallel: length. 2.5-4.8mm.: breadth. 2.0-2.5mm. Head with puntures as coarse as facets of eye. Inner margin of compound eyes striaght. Antennal club consists of seven segments in male and five segments in female: terminal segment of club slightly longer than ninth and tenth segments combined (Fig. 18) in male. Mentum with anterior margin nearly striaght.

Pronotum dark brown, sometimes nearly black, with punctures finer than facets of eye. Elytra (Fig. 19) bicolours. reddish bands and spots: its surface with puncyures twice as coarse as facets of eye. Prostrenum with process rather narrow: mesosternum with elevated part on both side of sulcus oval in shape, about twice as long as wide. Metasternum with both sides having short striae. Legs light brown. First abdominal sternite without lateral discal striae. Transversal part of bridge joining paramers in male genitalia slightly broader than its lateral part (Fig. 22). paramers with dense hairs. Eighth tergite with lateral margin circular in shape. setae along margin denes. Ninth tergite with proximal margin of broader moderatly sinute (Fig. 21). Tenth tergite with few long setae (Fig. 21).

Specimens studied: Iraq: Baghdad. June. 1978 from dead insect collection.

### Trogoderma irroratuin Reitter

Adult: body' oval; length 2.2-2.8mm.: breadth. 1.2-1.5mm. Head small. with punctutres finer than facets of eye. Inner margin of compound eyes straight. Antennal club consists of six or seven segments in male, and tenth segments togeather in male (Fig. 23). Mentum with anterior margin nearly straight.

Pronotum black with vague pale maculatus on each side: its surface with punctures finer than facets of eye. Elytra (Fig. 24) black with three reddish brown bands and few small spots: its surface with punctures as coares ass facets of eye. Transversal part of bridge joining paramers

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in male about ass its lateral part and tending to be straight (Fig. 27). Eighth abdominal tergite with lateral margin rounded in shape and with many long sertae (Fig. 25). Ninth tergite with proximal margin of broader section clearly sinute (Fig. 26). Tenth tergite with few short setae (Fig. 26).

Specimens studies: Iraq: Baghdad. February. 1983 and November. 1984: Erbil. May' 1988. from box of dead insects and arachnid collection.

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