

20. *Apion mediocre*, sp. n.

Angustulum, nigrum, opacum, sat sparse griseo-setosum; rostro subelongato, cylindrico, nitido; prothorace crebre, fortiter, parum argute, punctato; elytris profunde sulcatis, interstitiis subplanis.

Long. $2\frac{1}{4}$ – $2\frac{1}{2}$ millim. absque rostro.

Hab. MEXICO, Omilteme in Guerrero in July (*H. H. Smith*).

Rostrum in the male scarcely so long as, in the female a little longer than, the head and thorax; head moderately short and broad; eyes somewhat prominent, separated by a rather wide space; antennæ inserted very near to the eyes, not farther in front of them than the width of the interocular space. Thorax rather slender, a good deal narrowed in front, feebly constricted anteriorly and near the base, somewhat coarsely and moderately closely, but vaguely, punctured, with a moderately elongate channel on the middle. Elytra rather long and narrow, quite dull, moderately broadly and deeply sulcate. Under surface with but little concentration of pubescence on the sides of the breast or under the eyes. Male with a large mucro at the apex of the hind tibiæ, and a rather smaller one on the intermediate tibiæ.

This insect is destitute of any salient characters; there are apparently several other species closely allied to it, of which we have received only single specimens, and which I therefore do not think it proper to describe.

21. *Apion hystriculum*, sp. n.

Elongatum, nigrum, haud perspicue subænescens, opacum, minus tenuiter griseo-setosum, utrinque prope scutellum pubescentiæ pallidæ macula parva; rostro mediocri, maris hirsuto; prothorace sat crebre, fortiter punctato; elytris interstitiis latis, planis; subtus dense pallido-setosum.

Long. $2\frac{1}{2}$ –3 millim.

Hab. MEXICO, Xucumanatlan 7000 feet and Omilteme 8000 feet, both in Guerrero (*H. H. Smith*).

This differs from *A. mediocre* by the more dense clothing of hairs, by the fact that at the base of the elytra on the second interstice they are concentrated so as to form a small pallid spot, and by the rostrum of the male being densely setose except at the tip. The antennæ are quite black, and are inserted very near the base of the rostrum; this latter in the male is but little longer than the thorax, rather stout, in the female it is as long as head and thorax, slender, and nearly free from hairs; the eyes are moderately large, somewhat distant from the thorax, and the interval between them is comparatively broad. The thorax is rather narrow, much narrowed anteriorly, and feebly transversely constricted in front, its punctuation is rather close and deep. Elytra elongate, finely sulcate, the sulci not deep, the interstices broad and flat. Under surface bearing much white setosity; this is dense and conspicuous under the orbits. Middle and hind tibiæ of the male with a rather long mucro at the inner margin of the extremity.