

sparingly, covered with rather long silvery-white hair; shining, impunctate. Thorax (except the centre of the mesopleuræ) covered with silvery-white hair, shining, impunctate; scutellum bordered along the side, a deep curved depression at its base; metanotum with two closely placed keels down the centre and another keel near the spiracles. Abdomen as long as the head and thorax united, the underside covered with rather long white hair; second segment raised at the base, the raised part broader than long and narrowed towards the apex. Wings: areolet straight, of equal width, a little longer than broad, a short nervure issuing from the middle of the outer nervure.

MICRODUS.

Microdus, Nees, Act. Acad. Leop.-Carol. Nat. Cur. 1818, p. 304.

Eumicrodus, Förster, Verh. Ver. pr. Rheinl. xix. p. 247 (1862).

A genus of world-wide distribution.

1. *Suturiform articulation obsolete (unless the broad, smooth, transverse furrow on the second segment in M. basimacula and its allies represents it).*

A. *Abdomen without transverse furrows on the second and following segments; petiole not distinctly raised in the centre; ovipositor shorter than the petiole.*

a. *Body more or less yellow; wings yellowish, banded with violaceous or black.*

1 (6). Mesonotum more or less black.

2 (3). Mesopleuræ and face black; hind coxæ yellow *melanostoma*.

3 (2). Mesopleuræ and face yellow; hind coxæ black.

4 (5). Hind femora yellow *pulchripennis*.

5 (4). Hind femora black *championi*.

6 (1). Thorax without black.

7 (8). Hind femora black *peronatus*.

8 (7). Hind femora yellow *coxalis*.

+ 1. *Microdus melanostoma*. (Tab. XVI. fig. 15, ♂.)

Luteus, antennis, capite, pro- et mesothorace, tibiis tarsisque posticis abdominisque apice late nigris; alis flavo-hyalinis, fusco bifasciatis, stigmatе flavo. ♂.

Long. 10-11 millim.

Hab. PANAMA, Bugaba (*Champion*).

Antennæ considerably longer than the body; densely pilose, except the scape. Face bearing shallow punctures; the foveæ over the clypeus large, wide, deep; the frontal depression continuous, deep; a rather long furrow behind the eyes at the top. Middle lobe of the mesonotum raised, but without a bordering furrow, its top shagreened; metanotal areæ obsolete, or nearly so. Abdomen about the length of the head and