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SHORT COMMUNICATION

A. V. Petrov¹⁾ and M. Ju. Mandelshtam²⁾. NEW SYNONYMY IN THE GENUS *HYLESINUS* FABRICIUS (COLEOPTERA: SCOLYTIDAE). – Far Eastern entomologist. 2002. N 119: 11-12.

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New synonymy of *Hylesinus nobilis* Blandford, 1894 = *H. shabliovskiy* Kurenzov, 1941, **syn. n.** is established. The lectotype of *H. shabliovskiy* Kurenzov is designated to provide stability of nomenclature.

***Hylesinus nobilis* Blandford, 1894 = *H. shabliovskiy* Kurenzov, 1941, syn. n.** Lectotype of *H. shabliovskiy* (designated here): sex unknown, "Typus", "52"; "Shabliovskiy, sp. nov", "*Hylesinus nobilis* Blandf. d. Mandelshtam 2000", "*Hylesinus shabliovskiy* Kurenzov. Lectotype des. Mandelshtam 21.08.2000". The paralectotype has the same first four labels. Both types are deposited in the Institute of Biology and Soil Sciences, Vladivostok.

NOTES. *H. shabliovskiy* has been described by A.I. Kurenzov [1] basing on two specimens collected by him 17.VIII.1937 in the middle part of Khor River, Khabarovskii krai, on the thick trunk of fallen *Fraxinus mandshurica*. According to A.I. Kurenzov [1] *H. shabliovskiy* differs from *H. nobilis* by the absence of scales and hairlike vestiture on elytra and by the smaller body size. *H. nobilis* was unknown for Kurenzov. Even on badly preserved specimen of *H. shabliovskiy* several scales and few hairlike scales (bristles) are seen on elytra and this feature is not good for distinguishing *H. nobilis* and *H. shabliovskiy*. According to M. Hayashi, K. Morimoto and S.H.Kimo [2] the size of *H. nobilis* is 4.6-5.3 mm, rarely 6.0 mm. The body size of *H. shabliovskiy* is 4.3 mm and this size fell in range of variation of large *Hylesinus* species. *H. nobilis* and *H. shabliovskiy* both have not asperities on anteriolateral sides of pronotum and have similar structure of interstices at declivity. Both species are well distinguished from other ones of the genus and the closely related *H. cholodkovskiy* Berger, 1916 which is unique in acuminate elytra apex. The pronotum of *H. cholodkovskiy* is covered by minute transverse rugosities, the basal pronotal half of *H. nobilis* and *H. shabliovskiy* with distinct punctuation.

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