

A NEW SPECIES OF *CLOSTEROCERUS* FROM CALIFORNIA (HYMENOPTERA EULOPHIDÆ).

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This new species is characterized by bearing narrow fore wings with rather long apical fringes and a T on the fore wing formed by a long longitudinal stripe from proximad and the first cross-stripe; the letter is on its side, to the right from the upright.

Closterocerus tau sp. nov.

Female: Length, 0.85 mm. Black metallic blue, the scutum and scutellum lighter blue except marginally, the tarsi white except the distal joint; pronotum conical, light blue discally. Body densely scaly, the propodeum with a median carina only, subglabrous. Venation sooty, the very long marginal vein silvery white. Fore wing broadening distad, about thrice longer than wide at its truncate apex, its apical marginal cilia somewhat less than half the greatest width, the discal ciliation absent except on the infuscations; the thick longitudinal stripe originates at caudal margin opposite the base of the marginal vein and runs straight into the middle of the first cross-stripe which is across from the apex of the marginal and all of the post marginal veins (with the stigmal in its middle); first cross-stripe somewhat narrower than the second which is at apex, the hyaline space between them equal to the second cross-stripe. Stigmal and postmarginal veins subequal, not very short, the first at right angles to the marginal. Funicle joints equal, twice wider than long; pedicel very large, longer than the funicle. Mandibles tridentate. Otherwise usual. Wings with two cross-stripes.

From one female on a tag in the U. S. National Museum from Inyo County, California.

Type: Catalogue No. 20290 U. S. National Museum, the specimen above, the head and a fore wing on a slide.



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