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## A NEW GENUS FOR A NEW ORIBATID MITE SPECIES (ORIBATEI, CERATOZETOIDEA) FROM THE UKRAINE

Type material of the new species, assigned here to a new genus is deposited in the Schmalhausen Institute of Zoology, Kiev.

*Ceresella* Pavlitshenko, gen. n.

Type-species: *Ceresella venusta* Pavlitshenko, sp. n.

Gender: feminine.

*Ceresella* (Lat.) — diminutive, endearment term from Ceres, Roman goddess of fields, agriculture, rural life and cereals, daughter of Saturnus and Rhea, mother of Proserpina.

**Diagnosis.** Adults of this genus are unique among the Ceratozetoidea in having the following combination of character states: rostrum dentate; lamellae narrow, converging; lamellar cusps long, with lateral dentes; translamella absent; bothridium with well developed dorsal and ventral scales; tutorium broad, lamelliform, distal margin dentate; pedotectum I with dentes on distal margin; without horizontal folds in integument between and dorsad of acetabula II and III; immovable pteromorphs curved ventrad, without line of desclerotization; posterior notogastral tectum present, divided medially, with overlapping lobes; 4 pairs of porose areas and 10 pairs of hotogastral setae present; custodium long, narrow; 6 pairs genital setae, 1 pair aggenital setae, 2 pairs anal and 3 pairs adanal setae present; solenidion  $\Phi_2$  arising from anterodorsal apophysis of tibia I.

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Venusta (Lat.) — beautiful, handsome, pretty, lovely etc.

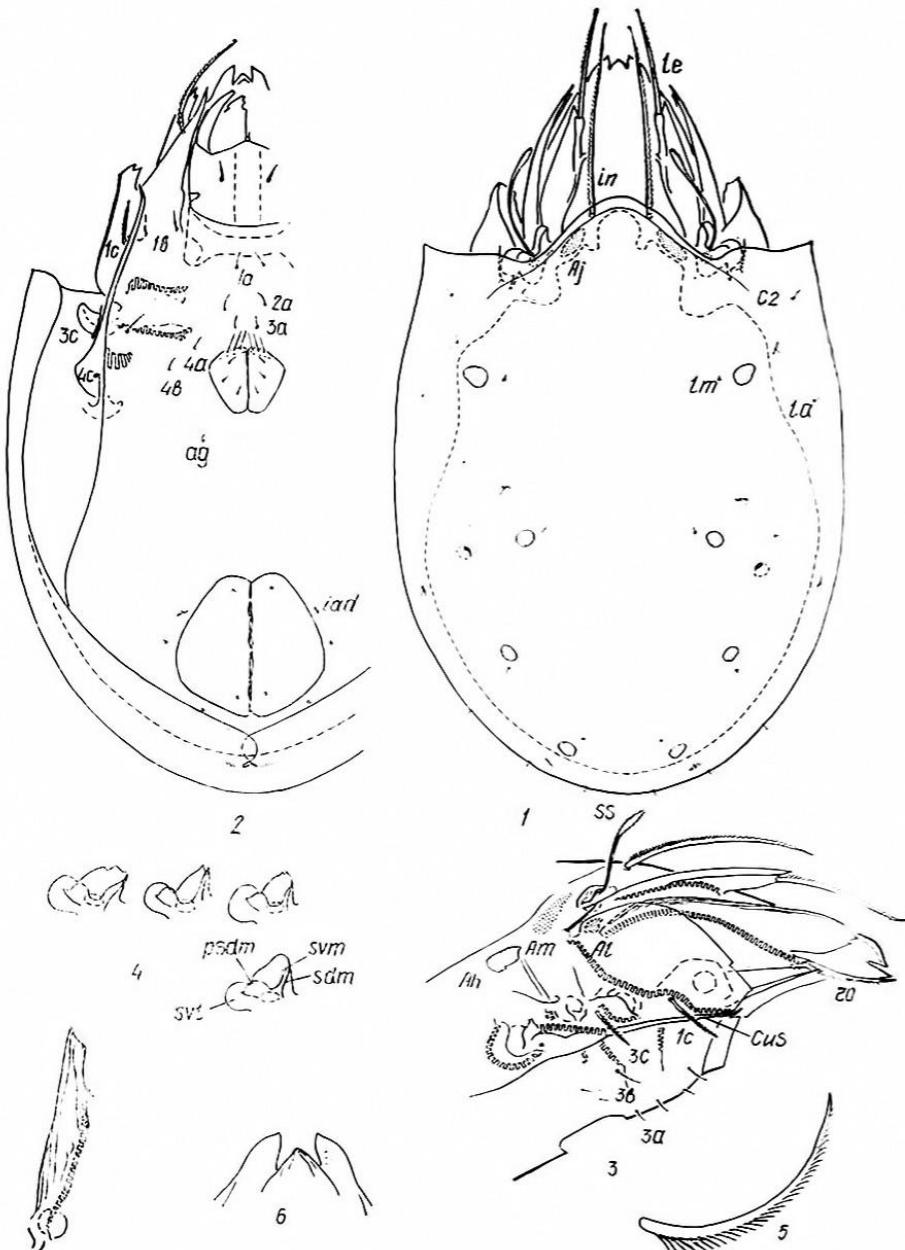
**Material.** Holotype ♂, Ukraine, Lugansk Oblast, Lugansk Nature Reserve, from soil, 12.11.1988, (Borovik). Paratypes: 8 ♂, 13 ♀ with same data as holotype; 2 ♂, ♀, Ukraine, Crimea, cape Kazantip, from soil, 3♂, 3♀ from sandy soil, 08.08.1980, (Sergienko).

**Adult. Measurements (μm).** Mean ventral length: males ( $n=13$ ) 397 (range: 384—400), (holotype 400); females ( $n=18$ ) 442 (432—448). Mean notogastral width: males 240 (224—256), (holotype 256); females 266 (256—272).

**Integument. Smooth.**

**Prodorsum.** Rostrum with short medial and two long, strong lateral teeth (Fig., 1, 2, 6). Seta ro (length 51—56) barbed, extending beyond tip of rostrum (Fig. 5). Lamellae (80—86) converging. Cusp (32—40) with strong pointed lateral dentes (5—6) (Fig., 7), without medial dentes; bearing thick, barbed seta le (64—72). Interlamellar distance at base of cusps 43—51. Translamella absent. Seta in (104—112) thick, barbed, extending anteriad of tip of cusps. Bothridial scale svm relatively large, long, with 1 or 2 lateral points (Fig., 4); sdm small, svl large, rounded; free margin of psdm strongly convex. Sensillus (ss) directed anteromediad, about 80 long, with small slightly claviform head, bilaterally barbed. Seta ex (26—29) finely barbed. Porose area Aj large, oval (16—22).

**Lateral aspect of podosoma.** Pteromorphs immovable, without line of desclerotization, with rounded free margin. Tutorium about 120 long (fused portion without dorsal spines), extending well anteriad of insertion of seta ro; with longitudinal striae along dorsal margin; distal margin



*Ceresella venusta* sp. n.: 1 — dorsal aspect; 2 — ventral aspect; 3 — lateral aspect of podosoma; 4 — bothridium (variations in shape of SVM scale); 5 — rostral seta; 6 — rostrum (dorsal aspect); 7 — lamella. 2, 5, 7 — holotype; 1, 3, 4, 6 — paratypes.

*Ceresella venusta* sp. n.: 1 — дорсальная сторона; 2 — вентральная сторона; 3 — подосома, вид сбоку; 4 — ботридий (изменчивость формы SVM чешуй); 5 — ростральная щетинка; 6 — рострум (дорсально); 7 — ламелла. 2, 5, 7 — голотип 1, 3, 4, 6 — парапиты.

dentate dorsally, with 2 dentes (Fig., 3). Without horizontal folds in integument between and dorsad of acetabulae II and III. Porose areas Al, Ah, Am present. Porose areas irregular in shape to subcircular (Al) or to suboval (Ah, Am). Pedotectum I large, with a dens on distal margin, ventral margin tapering (Fig., 2, 3).

*Notogaster*. Anterior margin strongly convex medially. *Notogaster* with 4 pairs of porose areas and 10 pairs of very short, smooth notogastral setae (2—4), with  $c_2$  and  $la$  longest (Fig., 1).

Ventral region. Coxisternal setae sparsely barbed,  $1c$  (32  $\mu\text{m}$  long) and  $3c$  (29) longer and thicker than other setae. Setae  $1a$ ,  $2a$ ,  $3a$ ,  $4a$ ,  $4b$  (6—9),  $1b$  (13),  $3b$  (10—16) thin and tapering. Setae  $4c$  absent, only alveolae present. Genital setae  $g_1$ — $g_3$  (10—12) longer than  $g_4$ — $g_6$ , positioned close to anterior margin of genital plate. Aggenital setae minute and smooth, 4—6. Anal and adanal setae (ca. 2  $\mu\text{m}$  long) are similar to notogastral setae, sometimes not evident. Lurifissuza iad present. Custodium needle-shaped, very long, almost reaching anterior margin of pedotectum I (Fig., 2, 3).

Legs. Tarsi heterotridactylous. Setation (I—IV): trochanter, 1—1—2—1; femora 5—5—3—2, genua, 3(1)—3(1)—1(1)—2, tibiae, 4(2)—4(1)—3(1)—3(1), tarsi, 20(2)—15(2)—15—12. Seta l'on femur III present. Genua I, II and femur II with well developed ventral spurs. Ventral carina on femora III and IV with rounded anterior margin. Tibia I with anterodorsal apophysis bearing solenidion  $\varphi_2$ . Tibia II with dorsal transversal fold.

**Remarks.** The new species is similar to *Ceratozetella sellnicki* (Rajski, 1958) and to *Cyrtozetes* Behan-Pelletier, 1985 species. Adult *C. venusta* gen. et sp. n. can be distinguished from other Ceratozetidae by having medially divided posterior notogastral tectum with overlapping, unfused lobes; from other Ceratozetinae by having broad tutorium with dentate distal margin; from *Cyrtozetes* species by having the following combination: anterodorsal apophysis of tibia I present, custodium reaching the level of pedotectum I, sensillus bilaterally barbed, in contrast with anterodorsal apophysis of tibia I absent, custodium not reaching the level of pedotectum I, sensillus with heavily barbed head in species of *Cyrtozetes*. The presence of a dens on distal margin of pedotectum I is a unique peculiarity of *C. venusta* gen. et sp. n. among Ceratozetoidea.

**Discussion.** The closest relatives of *Ceresella* gen. n. belong to Ceratozetidae, but adults of this genus have a posterior hotogastral tectum. This character state is widely distributed in Brachypylina, but Ceratozetidae lack it (Grandjean, 1954 — see Behan-Pelletier, 1988; Behan-Pelletier, Ryabinin, 1991). An examination of certain Ceratozetoid species for the distribution of this character state resulted in following: (1) medially divided posterior notogastral tectum with overlapping, unfused lobes present in *Mycobates parmeliae*, *M. nadiji* (Mycobatidae Grandjean, 1953) and *Ceresella venusta* gen. et sp. n. (Ceratozetidae Jacot, 1925); (2) undivided posterior notogastral tectum present in *Minunthozeles pseudofusiger*, *M. semirufus*, *Puncloribates punctum*, *P. hexagonus*, *P. zachvatkini*, *P. sphaericus*, *P. sellnicki*, *P. mundus*, *P. manzanoensis*, *P. minimus*, *Allozetes latus* (Mycobatidae), *Chamobates voigtii*, *Ch. spinosus*, *Ch. kieviensis*, *Ch. sergienkae*, *Ch. subglobulus*, *Ch. borealis*, *Ch. callipygus* (Chamobatidae Thor, 1938), *Heterozetes palustris* (Zetomimizidae Shaldybina, 1965), *Cyrtozetes rectangularis* (Ceratozetidae); (3) posterior notogastral tectum absent in *Ceratozetes gracilis*, *C. peritus*, *C. laticuspidatus*, *C. minutissimus*, *C. rostrroundulatus*, *Ceratozetella sellnicki*, *Ceratozetoidea cisalpinus*, *Trichoribates trimaculatus*, *Diapterobates humeralis*, *Melanozetes mollicomus* (Ceratozetidae). Inclusion of *Ceresella* gen. n. and *Cyrtozetes* to Ceratozetoidea is tentative.

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