

Oxygonia nigricans

a new Oxygonia-species from the Gorgona-Island (Columb.)

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Ox. Oberthüri m. quoad colorationem ♂ paullulum affinis; ♂ differt a ♀ statura brevioribus robustioreque; testacea labri macula minore; capite multo crassiore; pronoto multo globosiore, tota parte media fere glabra, basi vix sculpta; elytris brevioribus, spina suturali paullo brevioribus, sculptura tota fere eadem (sed perparum grossiore), maculis 4 albis parvis ornatis: humerali, post-humerali (obliqua), media (transversa), ante-apicali (longitudinali). Tibiis vix, tarsis evidenter brevioribus crassioribusque. Palpis, interdum distali articuli ultimi palporum maxillarum parte excepta, testaceis. Penis apice nodoso (leviter aequaliterque ad utrumque latus dilatato).—Long. 11-12 mm.

2♂, 1♀; Gorgona insula prope oram Columbiae: expeditione «St. George» (O. L. Collenette. Mus. Britann.)

♀ differt a ♂ labro minus testaceo-maculato; media prothoracis parte minus globosa; elytrorum apice ut in *Ox. Oberthüri* ♀ formato; elytrorum superficie purpureo-aenescente—nigricante, modice nitente.

The ♂ of this species differs from the ordinary type of the genus by the dull-blackish surface (with a very little shine of silk) of the elytra and the globulous, almost smooth surface of the medium part of the prothorax. The elytra of ♂ ♀ do not show any discal smooth place, neither behind the middle, nor before the apex. All legs and feelers black. Palpi yellow except sometimes the distal part of the last article of the maxillar-palpi of the ♂. The pattern of the elytra is ♂ ♀ the same, the spots quite white. Surface of head and pronotum are dark, just with a little metallic-greenish shine. Underside of the whole body blackish with a greenish-purple hue, the parts of the pro—, meso—and metathorax sometimes with a more or less brownish coloration. Hind-trochanters yellow. The tibial and especially the tarsi are remarkably stout. The prothorax of the ♀ shows about the same form as the ♀ of *Ox. Schönherrii* Mann. (*albitaenea* Bat.), but the surface of its middle part and the base are much less strigose.