

MICROMESOMMA, gen. nov.

Nearly allied to *Paramigas*, *Moggridgea*, and *Myrtale*.

*Carapace* resembling that of *Paramigas* in having the cephalic sulci well developed, but the fovea, which is so deep in *Moggridgea*, shallow; posterior portion of carapace marked with three pairs of marginal impressions; the median impression of the fovea not so deep as in *Paramigas*.

*Eyes* arranged as in *Paramigas*, but the anterior median less than half the size of the anterior lateral, which are relatively enormous and nearly spherical; the distance between the anterior median eyes about equal to their diameter; posterior laterals minute, barely half the size of the anterior medians, and noticeably smaller than the posterior medians, which, although elongate, are about as large as the anterior medians.

*Mandibles, maxillæ, labium, and sternum* as in *Paramigas*, but the sternum distinctly less narrowed between the coxæ of the first pair of legs; *coxæ* of the second and third legs armed posteriorly at the base with a distinct cluster of spinules; indications of these on the coxæ of the first leg.

*Legs and palpi* as in *Paramigas*, but the legs not woolly beneath; the impression of the upper surface of the tibia of the third deeper, and a cluster of spinules at the distal end of the upper surface of the first and second tibiæ; a couple of slender spines on the lower surface of the protarsus of the fourth; claws of first and second legs armed with a couple of long teeth, those of the third leg with one long tooth and a small one behind it, that on the fourth with one long tooth.

*Abdomen and spinners* as in *Paramigas*.

*Micromesomma cowani* Pocock, 1895: 191

*Micromesomma Cowani*, sp. n.

*Colour* deep yellowish brown throughout, a little paler below; abdomen blackish grey.

*Measurements in millimetres*.—Total length of trunk 16·5, of carapace 5·5, width of latter 5; length of first leg 11, of second 10, of third 9·5, of fourth 13.

*Loc.* Central Madagascar (*Rev. Deans Cowan*).