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## A new synonym of the species *Falsomesosella truncatipennis* Pic, 1944 (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae: Lamiinae: Mesosini)

The genus *Falsomesosella* Pic, 1925 currently includes two subgenera, with 36 species / subspecies described in the nominate subgenus (Tavakilian & Chevillotte, 2021). Among them, 10 species were recorded from China (Lin & Tavakilian, 2019). Recently, Lazarev (2021) described the 37th species from Shaanxi Province of China. However, it was based on four specimens of *Falsomesosella truncatipennis* Pic, 1944, herein we propose the new synonym.

Specimens studied are deposited in the following institutions, museums or private collections:

CAW—Collection of Andreas Weigel, Wernburg, Germany;

CBWX—Collection of Bi Wen-Xuan, Shanghai, China;

CMLR—Collection of Maxim A. Lazarev, Moscow, Russia;

IZCAS—Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China;

MNHN—Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, France.

### *Falsomesosella (Falsomesosella) truncatipennis* Pic, 1944 (Figs 1–2)

*Falsomesosella truncatipennis* Pic, 1944: 13. TL: China (Zhejiang). TD: MNHN.

*Falsomesosella (Falsomesosella) truncatipennis*: Breuning, 1959: 50; Löbl & Smetana, 2010: 271; Lin & Tavakilian, 2019: 332; Danilevsky, 2020: 390.

*Falsomesosella truncatipennis*: Hua, 2002: 209; Lin, 2015: 95, figs 8–10; Lin, 2017: 348, pl. 30, fig. 3.

*Falsomesosella taibaishana* Lazarev, 2021: 142, figs 1–2. TL: China (Shaanxi). TD: CML. **syn. nov.**

Material examined. Henan: 1♀, Xinxian, Liankangshan, 26–29.IV.2014 (IZCAS). Shaanxi: holotype of *Falsomesosella taibaishana* Lazarev, 2021, ♂, Taibaishan National Park, elev. 1350 m, 10.VI.1999, leg. S. Murzin and 1♀ paratype, same data (examined through pictures in Lazarev, 2021). 1♂, Meixian, Haopingsi, 24.V.2004 (IZCAS); 1♂, Qinling, Foping,



Figures 1–2. *Falsomesosella truncatipennis* Pic, 1944, holotype, photographed by Junsuke Yamasako. 1. Dorsal view. 2. Labels.

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Longcaoping, elev. 1256 m, 3.VII.2008, leg. Siqin Ge (IZCAS); 1♀, Zhouzhi County, Louguantai, elev. 680 m, 25.VI.2008, leg. Siqin Ge (IZCAS); 2♂, Huashan, elev. 1100 m, 27.V.2014, leg. Wenxuan Bi (CBWX); 1♀, Huashan, elev. 1600 m, 28.V.2014, leg. Wenxuan Bi (CBWX). Zhejiang: holotype (Figs 1–2) of *Falsomesosella truncatipennis* Pic, 1944, ♂, Zhejiang, (Fenghua County), Xuedou, 28.V.1930 (MNHN, examined through pictures taken by J. Yamasako); 1♂, Gutianshan Nature Reserve, 2010, elev. 665 m, 118,14°E, 29,25°N (CAW); 1♂, Xitianmushan, elev. 450 m, 2.V.2009, leg. Wenxuan Bi (CBWX); 1♀, Anji County, Xiaofeng, 23.IV.2006, leg. Wenxuan Bi (CBWX). Hubei: 1♀, Yingshan County, Taohuachong, 24.VI.2014, leg. Xiaoshuan Bai (IZCAS).

Distribution. China (Henan, Shaanxi, Zhejiang, Hubei).

Remarks. This species is widespread in Central China (Lin, 2015, 2017; Lin & Tavakilian, 2019). Based on a series of specimens collected from Shaanxi and Zhejiang, including type pictures of both taxa, we propose that *Falsomesosella taibaishana* Lazarev, 2021 is a new synonym of *Falsomesosella truncatipennis* Pic, 1944. Lazarev (2021) compared his taxon with *F. gracilior* from Japan and *F. horishana* from Taiwan of China, while ignoring the *F. truncatipennis* Pic, 1944 which had been recorded from Shaanxi by Lin (2015, 2017).

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