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Abstract

Ornatomalthinus ruicheni sp. nov from the Upper Cretaceous (Cenomanian, ca. 99 Ma) Burmese amber is described and illustrated; this new species can be differentiated from its congener on the basis of the following characters: rounded anterior and posterior margins of the pronotum, surface of pronotal disc smooth, elytra broad in the basal half and lineally narrowing apically. The diagnostic characters of *Ornatomalthinus* are discussed and redefined. Furthermore, the new placement of *Ornatomalthinus* in the subfamily Silinae, tribe Silini is suggested. A potential flower-visiting preference is proposed for this species on the basis of the morphological similarities to extant

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