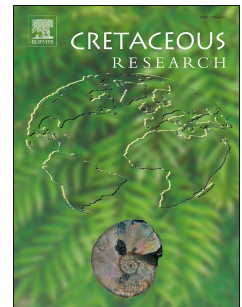


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Abstract. Two new genera are created to accommodate two new Hybosoridae (Coleoptera: Scarabaeoidea) species: *Sinohybosorus cheni* gen. et sp. n. and *Sinochaetodus tridentatus* gen. et sp. n.. The new species are described and illustrated based on two nearly complete fossil specimens from the Lower Cretaceous (Barremian– lower Aptian) Yixian Formation of western Liaoning Province, China. A key of described species of Hybosoridae from the Mesozoic and a catalogue of extinct Hybosoridae are provided. Based on the morphological characters, *Fortishybosorus ericeus* Yan, Bai et Ren, 2013 is transferred back to *Fortishybosorus* instead of *Lithohypna* in Glaphyridae. The discovery and description of these two new taxa provide further evidence for the Jurassic and Cretaceous diversification of lineages of Hybosoridae. Although the extant Hybosoridae constitute a relative small group in Scarabaeoidea, Hybosoridae are a relatively old group of scarab beetles with relative high diversity in the Mesozoic.

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