

Size. – The maximum carapace width (cw) of *Scandarma lintou* is 22.1 mm in males (n=264) and 21.8 mm in females (n=350). The smallest ovigerous female obtained measured 11.4 mm cw (n=135), but, according to abdomen morphology, the smallest size of mature female was 10.3 mm cw. Males have relatively larger chelae than females.

Etymology. – The name “lintou” corresponds to the Chinese name for the screw pine *Pandanus odoratissimus*. In southwestern Taiwan and Green Island this plant constitutes the favourite habitat of this crab. The name is used as a noun in apposition.

Ecology. – *Scandarma lintou* is a semi-terrestrial (adults

terrestrial) crab, usually found less than 300 m away from the sea. Along the Kangkou River, the crabs were encountered in a distance of one kilometre from the sea. In southern Taiwan and Green Island, the presence of this species is always associated with three environmental factors: 1) the close proximity of a stream or freshwater pools, 2) protection from strong winds, and 3) the presence of the screw pine or pandang *Pandanus odoratissimus* (Pandanales: Pandanaceae). At these localities, *Scandarma lintou* was found hiding in the leaf axils of *P. odoratissimus* at daytime, while active on the leaf surfaces of the same plant or other nearby plants at night. In eastern Taiwan, however, where

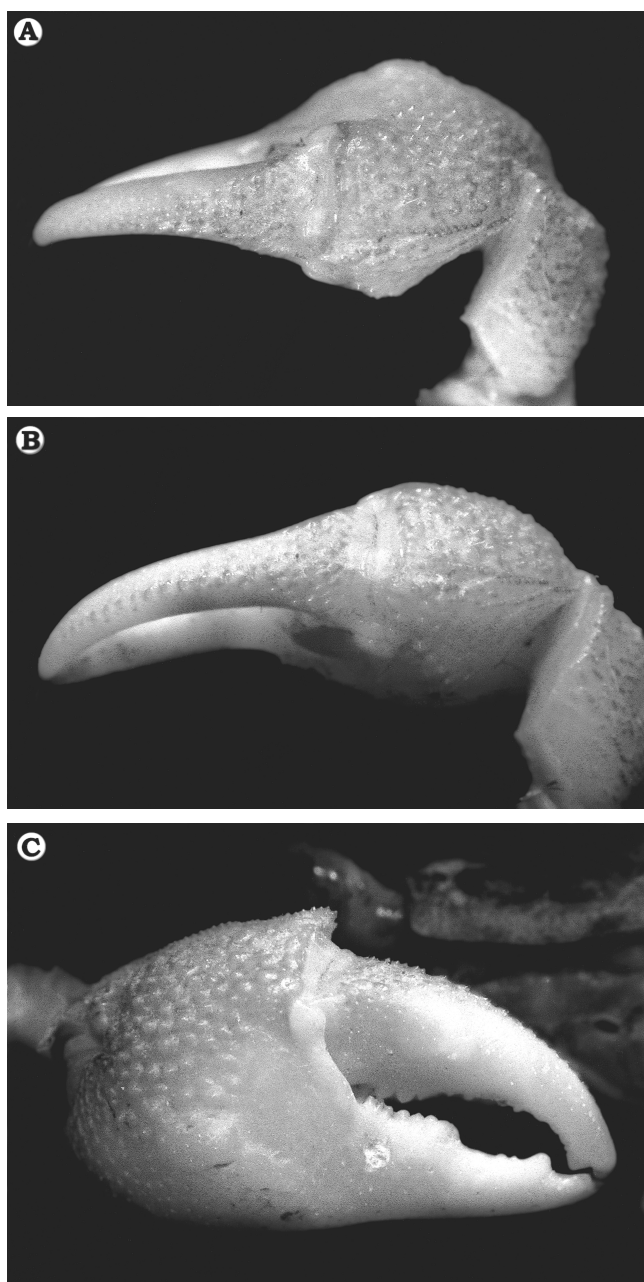


Fig. 2. *Scandarma lintou*, new species. Holotype male (17.55 by 16.9 mm) (TMCD 3276), Taiwan. Right chela; A, outer dorsal view with flattened fingers; B, inner dorsal view with curved fingers; C, dorso-frontal view with dactylar tubercles.

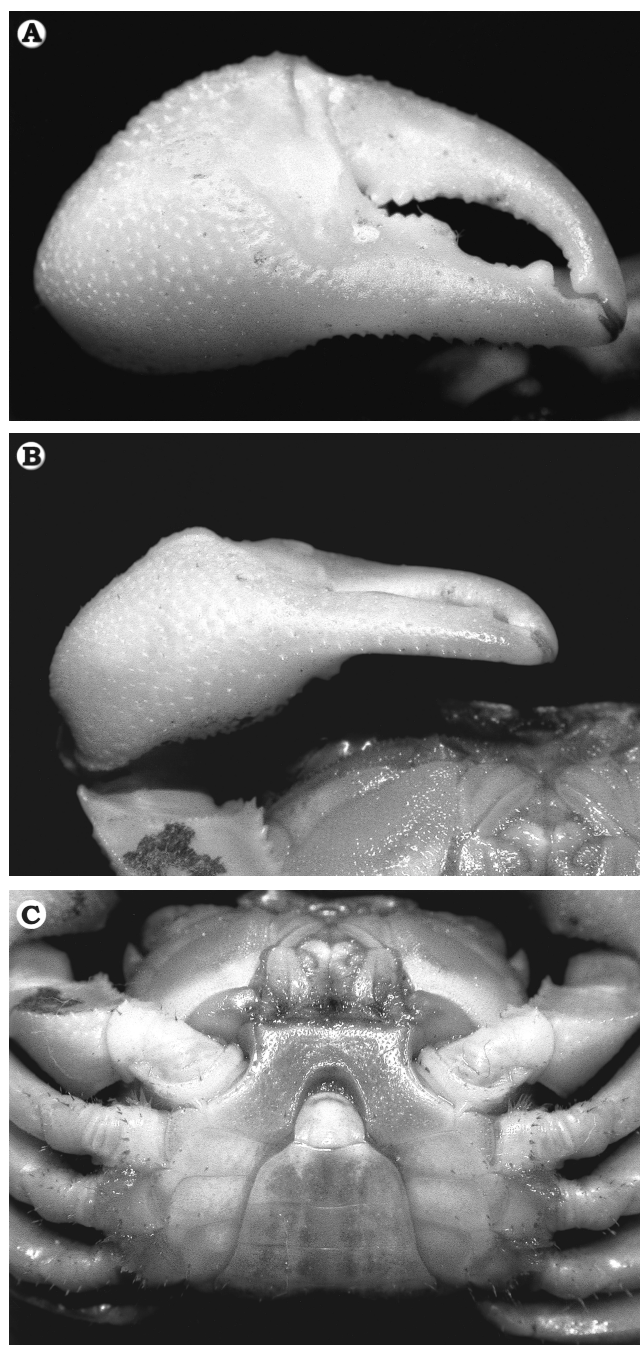


Fig. 3. *Scandarma lintou*, new species. Holotype male (17.55 by 16.9 mm) (TMCD 3276), Taiwan. A, right chela, ventro-frontal view with pollex granules; B, right chela, ventral view; C, sternum and pleon.