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erreichend; Clava nicht so stark verdickt. Thoraxrücken von der Promesonotalsutur bis zur Wölbung des Epinotum in gestreckter Kurve verlaufend; Petiolus und Postpetiolus dicker als bei der ♀ und mehr abgerundet. — L. 2,4 mm.

Jaffa; auch bei Calcutta und am Weifsen Nil in einem Termitennest. Beim einzigen Exemplar (Typus) aus Indien ist der Hinterleib nicht gebräunt; deswegen dürfte die syrisch-afrikanische Form als Varietät (var. *clavicornis* Er. André, Ann. soc. ent. France v. 51 p. 68. 1881) aufgeführt werden.

Description of a New Species of *Microgaster (Braconidae)* from the Paraguayan Chaco, South America. (Hym.)

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Microgaster chacoensis sp. nov.

Rufo-testaceous, the head and the flagellum of antennae black, the legs of a paler rufo-testaceous colour, the wings fuscous, the nervures and stigma black; the apex of the hind tibiae and the hind tarsi blackish. The head closely covered with a short black, the thorax with a short white pubescence. ♀ and ♂.

Length 3—4 mm.

Bred by Mr. W. E. Agar of Glasgow University from the green larva of a Sphingid on the back of which the caterpillars of the Braconid spun their cocoons in a mass in the usual *Microgaster* fashion.

Antennae somewhat stout, longer than the body, covered with a microscopic black pile. Head, thorax and abdomen smooth and shining; the abdomen is only very sparsely pilose. The hair on the eyes is dense, moderately long and white. The depression at the base of the scutellum is large and has 2 stout keels down the centre. There is a stout keel down the middle of the metanotum; from it run thinner, clearly separated, curved keels. First abdominal segment almost twice longer than wide, of equal width, but rounded at the apex, the sides with distinct bordering keels; the 2nd segment becomes narrowed towards the apex and is almost as long as it is wide at the apex.

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