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***Nietzscheana plutenkoi*, gen. n., sp. n.,  
(Coleoptera, Cerambycidae, Lamiinae, Saperdini)  
from the Far East of Russia**

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**Key words:** *Nietzscheana*, new genus, Cerambycidae, Lamiinae, Saperdini, Far East Russia.

**Abstract:** *Nietzscheana plutenkoi*, gen. et sp. nov. is described from the Ananyevka River of Chernye Mountains in Nadezhdinsky District of Primorsky Region. The description is supplied with color photos and distinguishing characters.

New animal looks similar to a big *Eumecocera callosicollis* (Breuning, 1943), but has a peculiar structure of tarsal claws, which is unknown in any other Saperdini, so a new genus must be described. Though it is described on the base of a single beetle the number of characters show that it is not just a teratic specimen. The middle leg's external claw has a long, thick basal appendage, and foreleg's internal claw has slight spur-like bifurcation.

***Nietzscheana*, gen. nov.**

Figs 1-3

**Type species:** *Nietzscheana plutenkoi*, sp. n.

Internal claw of fore leg (Fig. 2) with slight bifurcation forming a spur. External claw (Fig. 3) of middle leg with a long, thick basal appendage. It is flattened and 2 times shorter than the claw. Both hind leg claws simple, not bifurcated, without appendages. Prothorax about cylindrical, without dense long pubescence; pronotum without callosities or tubercles; elytra long, without humeral and dorsal carinae; elytral apices rounded.

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*Nietzscheana plutenkoi*, sp. n.

Figs 1-3

Body totally black including antennae and legs; it seems to be originally covered with short fine gray setae that are partly lost now; head with dense short and sparse long gray hairs; frons with scattered distinct punctation, with very fine erect short setae; genae more than 2 times shorter than lower eye lobe; eyes big, deeply emarginated, occupy most part of the lateral side of the head; antennae a little longer than body; 4th antennal joint shorter than 1st, about 1.5 times shorter than 3rd and distinctly longer than 5th; 2nd joint about as long as wide, strongly widened apically; prothorax about as long as basal width; a little wider posteriorly than anteriorly, slightly evenly widened near middle; pronotum without callosities, with elongated central elevation near base; pronotal punctation moderately dense, fine, distinctly rarefied at both sides of the middle; elytra about 2.5 times longer than basal width, with two elongated raised areas near scutellum; with rough not dense punctation up to the middle, it becomes fine, slightly rugged posteriorly. Elytral microsculpture is represented by small uneven punctation merging in wrinkles. Legs long; 1st joint of hind tarsus as long as two other joints combined; 1st joint of middle tarsus 1.5 times longer than 2nd, 3rd joint about as long as 2nd; 1st joint of forelegs a little wider and longer than 2nd, which is same as 3rd; last abdominal sternite, pygidium and postpygidium rounded; hind margins of postpygidium and last sternite with dense long pale setae; body length: 16.5 mm, width: 3.8 mm.

**Material.** Holotype, male with the label: "Russia, Primorskyi reg., Black Mts., Ananjevka riv., 8.08.1991, A. Plutenko leg." - collection of Zoological Museum of Moscow University.

**Etymology.** The genus name of the new taxon is dedicated to the great German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche. The species is named in honor of A.V. Plutenko, who discovered such a beautiful beetle.

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**Fig. 1.** *Nietzscheana plutenkoi*, **gen. n., sp. n.**, holotype, male.

**Fig. 2.** Internal claw of fore leg.

**Fig. 3.** External claw of middle leg.

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