Pholcus koah Huber, 2001

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Pholcus koah, new species Figures 358–362

Type: Male holotype from Koah Road (16°49′S, 145°31′E), Queensland, Australia; Apr. 2, 1972 (N. Clyde Coleman), in QMB (S34690).

ETYMOLOGY: Named for the type locality. The species name is a noun in apposition.

DIAGNOSIS: Distinguished from the similar *P. dungara* and *jinwum* by the shape of the procursus (simple tip with two distinctive pointed terminal apophyses; figs. 359, 360)

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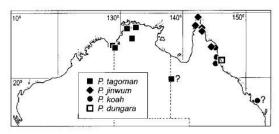
and from *P. jinwum* also by the dark pattern on the epigynum (compare figs. 347 and 361).

MALE (holotype): Total length 6.6, carapace width ~ 1.9 (deformed). Leg 1: 46.2 (11.3 + 0.9 + 11.4 + 19.7 + 2.9), tibia 2: 8.1, tibia 3 missing, tibia 4: 7.7; tibia 1 1/d: 59. Habitus and prosoma shape as in P. jinwum (cf. figs. 339, 340). Brown mark on carapace similar to P. jinwum (cf. fig. 340), but without connection to ocular area; ocular area brown, clypeus ochre, without marks; sternum light brown with ochre-yellow margins. Distance PME-PME 0.280; diameter PME 0.160; distance PME-ALE 0.040; diameter AME 0.135. Chelicerae similar to P. jinwum (cf. fig. 339), but proximal apophyses closer together, more pointed and directed upward. Palps in general as in P. jinwum

(cf. figs. 342, 343); bulb almost identical (fig. 358); ventral femur apophysis slightly more proximal; procursus distinctively different (figs. 359, 360). Legs light brown, distal ends of femora and tibiae lighter; without dark rings; without spines, without curved and vertical hairs; retrolateral trichobothrium of tibia 1 at 3.5%; tarsus 1 with many pseudosegments, but only ~13 distal ones distinct in dissecting microscope. Opisthosoma shape as in *P. jinwum* (cf. figs. 345, 346), with very similar brown pattern.

FEMALE: In general very similar to male. Tibia 1 in 4 females: 9.3, 9.5, 10.0, 10.0. Epigynum as in fig. 361; ochre with light brown arch in front, only tip of knob visible in ventral view. Dorsal view as in fig. 362 (arrows point to worm-shaped "knob").

DISTRIBUTION: Known from three localities



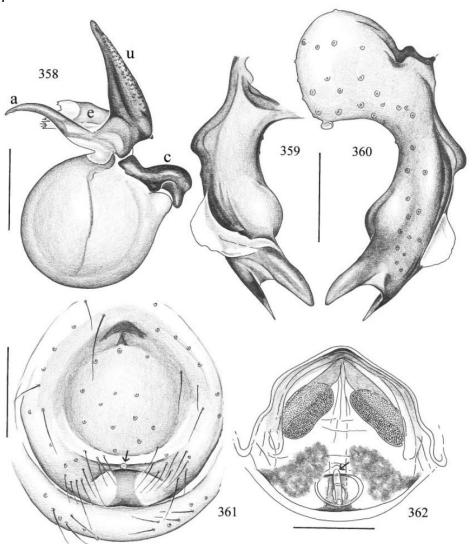
Map 17. Distribution of the genus *Pholcus* in Australia (except *P. phalangioides*). ? = female specimens assigned tentatively.

in the Cairns area, northeastern Queensland, and possibly from Heron Island, southeastern Queensland (map 17).

MATERIAL EXAMINED: AUSTRALIA: Queensland: Koah Road: Male holotype above, with 29 (QMB S49774); Amos Bay

(15°41′S, 145°20′E), May 14, 1973 (V. E. Davies), 1 $\,^{\circ}$ assigned tentatively (QMB S49775); Mt. Garnet (17°41′S, 145°07′E), Feb. 24, 1972 (N. Clyde Coleman), 1 $\,^{\circ}$ (QMB S49773); Heron Island (23°27′S, 151°55′E), July 31, 1976 (T. Newcomb), 2 $\,^{\circ}$ assigned tentatively (QMB S49780).

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Figs. 358–362. *Pholcus koah.* **358.** Left genital bulb, prolateral view; "a" = appendix; "e" = embolus; "u" = uncus; "c" = connecting piece between bulb and cymbium. **359, 360.** Left procursus, prolateral (359) and retrolateral (360) views. **361, 362.** Epigynum, ventral (361) and dorsal (362) views; arrows: worm-shaped "knob". Scale lines: 0.3 mm.

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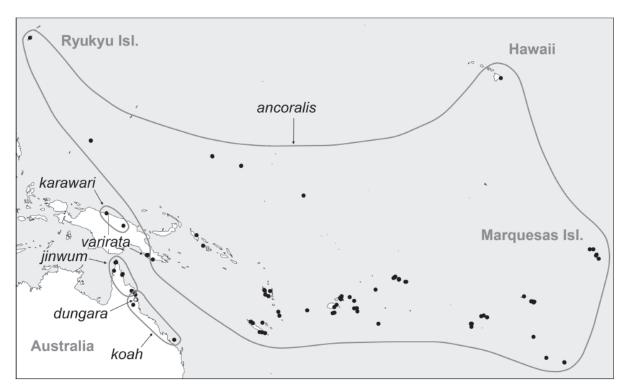


FIG. 1486. Known distribution of the Pholcus ancoralis species group.