

taxonomic problems in the genus *Ariadna*. *Mimetus ridens* n.sp. ♀ (♂ unknown) typ.loc.: Palawan, Mantalingajan is described; it is apparently close to the Japanese species around *Ero japonica* Bösenberg and Strand, 1906; it can be distinguished from the already known species by colour, general morphology and/or genitalia.

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