Integrative taxonomy of *Leptonetela* spiders (Araneae, Leptonetidae), with descriptions of 46 new species

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ABSTRACT

Extreme environments, such as subterranean habitats, are suspected to be responsible for morphologically inseparable cryptic or sibling species and can bias biodiversity assessment. A DNA barcode is a short. standardized DNA sequence used for taxonomic purposes and has the potential to lessen the challenges presented by a biotic inventory. Here, we investigate the diversity of the genus Leptonetela Kratochvíl, 1978 that is endemic to karst systems in Eurasia using DNA barcoding. We analyzed 624 specimens using one mitochondrial gene fragment (COI). The results show that DNA barcoding is an efficient and rapid species identification method in this genus. DNA barcoding gap and automatic barcode gap discovery (ABGD) analyses indicated the existence of 90 species, a result consistent with previous taxonomic hypotheses, and supported the existence of extreme male pedipalpal tibial spine and median apophysis polymorphism in Leptonetela species, with direct implications for the taxonomy of the group and its diversity. Based on the molecular and morphological evidence, we delimit and diagnose 90 Leptonetela species, including the type species Leptonetela kanellisi (Deeleman-Reinhold, 1971). Forty-six of them are previously undescribed. The female of Leptonetela zhai Wang & Li, 2011 is reported for the first time. Leptonetela tianxinensis (Tong & Li, 2008) comb. nov. is transferred from the genus Leptoneta Simon, 1872; the genus Guineta Lin & Li, 2010 syn. nov. is a junior synonym of Leptonetela: Leptonetela gigachela (Lin & Li, 2010) comb. nov. is transferred from Guineta. The genus Sinoneta Lin & Li, 2010 syn. nov. is a junior synonym of Leptonetela; Leptonetela notabilis (Lin & Li, 2010) comb. nov. and Leptonetela sexdigiti (Lin & Li, 2010) comb. nov. are transferred from Sinoneta; Leptonetela sanchahe Wang & Li nom. nov. is proposed as a

replacement name for *Sinoneta palmata* (Chen et al., 2010) because *Leptonetela palmata* is preoccupied.

Keywords: DNA barcoding; Phylogeny; Phenotype; Species delineation

INTRODUCTION

Subterranean ecosystems, such as caves and cracks, are evident mainly in karst areas, which represent nearly 4% of the rocky outcrops of the world. These environments are marked by permanent darkness, a lack of diurnal and annual rhythms, and extremely scarce food sources (Culver & White, 2005; Howarth, 1983; Poulson & White, 1969). Many studies show that despite stressful and unfavorable conditions, the subsurface habitat harbors diverse animal communities (mainly invertebrates) (Amara-Zettler et al., 2002; Flot et al., 2010; López-García et al., 2001; Mathieu et al., 1997; Niemiller et al., 2012; Sket, 1999). Troglobionts are expected to adopt strategies that are characterized by significant geographic isolation and numerous local endemics (Convey, 1997; Waterman, 2001). Because the diversity of possible adaptive responses declines with stress intensity (Nevo, 2001), evolution in harsh environments is also expected to be influenced by convergence (Little & Vrijenhoek, 2003; Rothschild & Mancinelli, 2001; Waterman, 2001). Therefore, in subterranean, and more generally in extreme environments, diversification and speciation processes should be largely influenced by island-like habitats, such as caves, allopatric speciation and vicariant events, and could be masked

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by morphological convergence. For these groups of organisms, morphology alone cannot determine species boundaries, so identifying morphologically inseparable cryptic or sibling species requires an integrative approach that often includes DNA analysis.

DNA barcoding relies on the use of a standardized DNA region as a tag for accurate and rapid species identification (Hebert & Gregory, 2005) and has been used to help overcome the 'taxonomic impediment' (Herbert et al., 2003a; Tautz et al., 2003). It aids in the identification of species in applied settings, the association of morphologically distinct life-cycle forms within a species, the detection of host-specific lineages and the detection of morphologically cryptic species (Miller & Foottit, 2009). DNA barcoding has been used in a diverse range of vertebrate and invertebrate taxa (Clare et al., 2007; Ratnasingham & Hebert, 2007) and has enabled an increasing number of taxa to be identified. For example, a survey of crustacean stygofauna suggests that there could be substantial levels of subterranean biodiversity hidden in Australia's acquifer (Asmyhr & Cooper, 2012). Nevertheless, the exclusive use of single-locus molecular gene fragments is not without risks, for identical mitochondrial DNA sequences can be present in unrelated species due to introgression, or incomplete lineage sorting (Ballard & Whitlock, 2004). Additionally, the use of a divergence threshold for distinguishing intra- vs. interspecific sequence variation (Hebert et al., 2003a) can seriously compromise species identification and suffers from severe statistical problems (Vences et al., 2005). Furthermore, species misidentification has been observed when a reference database is not comprehensive; such that is does not contain all the species of the group under study (Meyer & Paulay, 2005).

The South China karst, a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage Site since 2007, is noted for its karst features and landscapes as well as rich biodiversity. Numerous subterraean species have been reported in this region, especially invertebrate fauna (Zhang, 1986). The spider genus Leptonetela is discontinuously distributed in the South China karst and the Balkan Peninsula, a karstic region in Europe. The genus has 54 catalogued species (World Spider Catalog, 2017), and with one exception (L. pungitia Wang & Li, 2011), nearly all Leptonetela species are endemic to either a single cave or a cave system. The spiders are cave adapted as shown by morphological features, such as vestigial eyes and highly reduced skin pigmentation. Over the past nine years, we have conducted extensive surveys of subterranean biodiversity in Eurasia. More than 1 500 caves were visited, and we ultimately sampled 122 Leptonetela populations (caves). Rapid and accurate identification within this genus is difficult due to congeneric species sharing similar morphological traits, a lack of obvious morphological differences between closely related species and some species only differ in one or a few quantitative differences, such as the location, length ratio or thickness of the male pedipalpal tibial spines and the number of teeth on the median apophysis.

In this study, we test the usefulness of DNA barcoding for species identification in the subterranean genus *Leptonetela* and investigate the diversity of the genus. The standard molecular barcode, cytochrome c oxidase subunit I (*COI*) was used. A species discovery method, automatic barcode gap discovery (ABGD) (Puillandre et al., 2012), and a species validation method, DNA barcoding gap analysis, (Hebert et al., 2003b) were both used, depending on whether the samples were partitioned prior to analysis. The main goals of our study were: (i) to test whether the *COI* barcoding fragment can reliably resolve and identify subterranean *Leptonetela* species by comparing the *COI* barcode fragment results with those from morphological data; (ii) to test taxonomic value of morphological characters used in traditional methods of classification.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Taxon sampling

We sampled 624 *Leptonetela* individuals from 122 populations (caves) (Supplementary Table S1) in Eurasia (Insular and Peninsular Greece, and Southeast Asia; see inset in Figure 1). Nine individuals from three other genera of the family Leptonetidae were chosen as outgroups. All specimens were collected alive, fixed in absolute ethanol, and the legs were removed for subsequent DNA extraction. The remaining specimens were preserved in 80% ethanol for identification and morphological examination. Voucher specimens and all type specimens were deposited in the Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences (IZCAS), Beijing, China.

Molecular protocols

Total genomic DNA was extracted using the Animal Genomic DNA Isolation Kit (Dingguo, Beijing, China) following the manufacturer's protocol. We amplified the cytochrome c oxidase subunit I (COI) barcode region using the primer pairs LCOI490/HCO2198 (Folmer et al., 1994). PCR reaction conditions were: initial denaturation at 94 °C for 1 min; 35 cycles of denaturation at 94 °C for 1 min, annealing at 45 °C for 45 s, and elongation at 70 °C for 60 s; and a final extension at 72 °C for 5 min. The 25 µL PCR reactions included 17.25 µL of double-distilled H₂O, 2.5 µL of 10× Taq buffer (mixed with MgCl₂; TianGen Biotech, Beijing, China), 2.0 µL of dNTP Mix (2.5 mmol/L), 1 µL of each forward and reverse 10 µmol/L primer, 1 µL of DNA template, and 0.25 µL Tag DNA polymerase (2.5 U/µL; TianGen Biotech, Beijing, China). Double-stranded PCR products were visualized by agarose gel electrophoresis (1% agarose). PCR products were purified and sequenced by Sunny Biotechnology Co., Ltd (Shanghai, China) using the ABI 3730XL DNA analyser. Sequences were aligned using ClustalW in Mega 6.0 (Tamura et al., 2013), with visual inspection, translation, and manual adjustment to minimize alignment error. The most appropriate phylogenetic model for the sequence alignment was selected using jModelTest2 (Darriba et al., 2012) under the Akaike Information Criterion (Posada & Crandall, 1998).

Phylogenetic analyses

Phylogenetic analyses were performed using maximum likelihood (ML) in RAXML v. 7.0.3 with the GTRCAT model (Stamatakis, 2006). One hundred replicate ML inferences were performed in the search for an optimal ML tree, each initiated with a



Figure 1 Area of endemic of Leptonetela

random starting tree and employing the default rapid hillclimbing algorithm. Clade confidence was assessed with a rapid bootstrap of 1 000 replicates.

Species delineation

We analyzed the *COI* barcode dataset (see Supplementary Table S1) using two species delineation methods. DNA barcoding gap

analyses require an *a priori* species designation. Therefore, we divided the 624 *Leptonetela* individuals of 122 populations (caves) into 90 putative species based on morphological characters and geographic information. In our DNA barcoding gap analysis, we examined the overlap between the mean intraspecific and interspecific Kimura 2-parameter (K2P) (Kimura, 1980) and uncorrected *p*-distance (Nei & Kumar, 2000) for each candidate species, as calculated by Mega v. 6.0 (Tamura et al., 2013).

The automatic barcode gap discovery procedure (ABGD) (Puillandre et al., 2012), which does not require assigning samples to putative species, calculates all pairwise distances in the dataset, evaluates intraspecific divergences, and then sorts the samples into candidate species using the calculated distances. We performed ABGD analyses online (http://wwwabi.snv.jussieu.fr/public/abgd/), using three different distance metrics: Jukes-Cantor (JC69) (Jukes & Cantor, 1969), Kimura 2-parameter (K2P) (Kimura, 1980), and simple distance (*p*-distance) (Nei & Kumar, 2000). We analyzed the data using two different values for the parameters Pmin (0.0001 and 0.001), Pmax (0.1 and 0.2), and relative gap width (X=1 or 1.5), with all other parameters at default values.

Taxonomy

The terminology and the measurements in this paper generally follow Wang & Li (2011) and Ledford et al. (2011). All measurements were taken in millimetres (mm). The left palpi of male spiders are illustrated, except where otherwise indicated. Abbreviations used in text include: PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis; At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

Nomenclatural acts

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RESULTS

In total, 624 DNA barcodes were analyzed. A full list of the analyzed specimens can be found in Supplementary Table S1. Fragment lengths of the analyzed DNA barcodes ranged from 107 (0.005%) to 617 bp (89%). For all populations, except *L. kanellisi* and *L. robustispina*, four or more DNA barcodes were generated. All nucleotides were translated into functional protein sequences in the correct reading frame, with no stop codons or indels observed. Similar to other arthropod studies, our data indicated a high AT-content for this mitochondrial gene fragment: the mean sequence compositions were A=20.5%, C=12.6%, G=24.4%, T=41.4%.

Phylogenetic inference

The ML gene tree topology suggests that *Leptonetela* is monophyletic, with the node highly supported (Figure 2; bootstrap value, BS=92). Our analyses revealed all *Leptonetela* species formed non-overlapping clusters, with bootstrap support



Figure 2 Maximum likelihood COI gene tree for 624 terminals of Leptonetela, with the results of two different species delimitation approaches Numbers at nodes show bootstrap support (>74). Species names and locality group terminals according to consensus results of species delimitation approaches.



Figure 2 Continued



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values of 100. In contrast, relationships among putative species were largely unresolved, usually with low bootstrap support on the ML gene tree, particularly at deeper phylogenetic levels.

Species delineation

DNA barcoding gap analysis: Based on our *a priori* species hypotheses, Interaspecific divergences ranged from zero to 5.3/5.0% (K2P/uncorrected *p*-distance) whereas interspecific distances were between 3.1/3% and 31.9/25% (K2P/uncorrected *p*-distance). Maximum intraspecific distances >3% were found for two species, including *L. reticulopecta* (4.3/4.0%), and *L. pentakis* Lin & Li, 2010 (5.3/5%). The lowest interspecific distance were revealed for the two species pairs *L.changtu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** with *L. chuan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. kangsa* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** with *L. shibingensis* Guo, Yu & Chen, 2016 with a value of 3.1/3%. Minimum interspecific pairwise distances <5%, and >3% were found for two species

pairs: *L. shibingensis* with *L. shanji* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. dao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** with *L. xiaoyan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** The mean interspecific distance between the 90 tentative species was 17.9/15.6% (K2P/uncorrected *p*-distance), and the mean intraspecific distance within each species was 0.2% (both K2P and uncorrected *p*-distance) in *Leptonetela*. A histogram of the gap and overlap between intra- and interspecies genetic distances are show in Figure 3.

ABGD analysis

The ABGD analyses of the *COI* dataset, using the originally specified parameter combinations and partitions resulted mostly in 90 distinct species that correspond to the 90 species observed in the previous taxonomic hypotheses based on morphology. The result was the same regardless of the model of evolution employed (Jukes-Cantor (JC), K2P, Simple Distance). The settings *Pmin/Pmax*=0.0001/0.2 yielded the most significant *P* values. However, at lower values of prior intraspecific distance



Figure 3 DNA barcoding for Leptonetela

Histograms show division of intraspecific (grey) and interspecific (black) COI sequence variation based on Kimira two-parameter (K2P, A) and uncorrected *p*-distance (B).

(*P*), recursive partitioning of ABGD recognized more species (Table 1) when *P*min/*P*max=0.0001/ 0.2, *P* values=0.159, JC and K2P distance resulted in 98 species, and simple distance resulted in 95 species.

DISCUSSION

DNA barcoding is widely recognized as a useful tool for species identification across the animal kingdom (Chesters et al., 2012; Wang et al., 2011). Our research represents an important step towards the application of DNA barcodes for identification of *Leptonetela* taxa, and for 119 taxa (97%), our data represent

the first published DNA barcodes.

Classically, geographic isolation is considered a primary feature of troglobitic taxa (Hedin, 1997; Hedin & Thomas, 2010). Our DNA barcoding result is consistent with this view and similar to other DNA barcoding studies, in which *COI* showed high genetic structure between populations within species (Tavares et al., 2001).

Choosing appropriate thresholds that can delimit species is one of the main challenges and concerns for DNA barcoding research (Ferguson, 2002). Our DNA barcoding gap analysis shows an overlap in the range of intra- and interspecific *COI* sequence divergence. The interspecific genetic divergences between *L. chuan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. changtu* Wang & Li

		Prior	intraspecific di	vergence (P)						
Substitution mode	Pmin/Pmax	Х	Partition	0.001	0.0017	0.0028	0.0046	0.0077	0.0129	0.0215	0.0359
JC	0.001/0.1	1.5	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	171	136	136	106	106	99	92	90
K2P	0.001/0.1	1.5	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	171	136	136	106	106	99	92	90
Simple	0.001/0.1	1.5	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	105	105	105	97	96	95	92	90
JC	0.001/0.1	1	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	169	132	132	106	106	99	92	90
K2P	0.001/0.1	1	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	172	137	137	106	106	99	92	90
Simple	0.001/0.1	1	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	105	105	105	97	96	95	92	90
				0.0001	0.0002	0.0005	0.0013	0.0029	0.0068	0.0159	0.0369
JC	0.0001/0.2	1.5	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	171	171	171	171	136	106	98	90
K2P	0.0001/0.2	1.5	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	171	171	171	171	136	106	98	90
Simple	0.0001/0.2	1.5	Initial	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
			Recursive	105	105	105	105	105	96	95	90

Table 1 Results of the automatic barcode gap discovery (ABGD) analyses

sp. nov., L. kangsa Wang & Li sp. nov. and L. shibingensis, as well as between L. shibingensis and L. shanii Wang & Li sp. nov. was 3.1/3.0% based on K2P/uncorrected and p-distance models. Compared with other species L. chuan Wang & Li sp. nov., and L. changtu Wang & Li sp. nov., L. kangsa Wang & Li sp. nov., L. shibingensis and L. shanji Wang & Li sp. nov. are more closely distributed. In morphology, L. chuan Wang & Li sp. nov. and L. changtu Wang & Li sp. nov. can be distinguished by the shape of the median apophysis and the conductor (median apophysis palm-shaped, edge with sclerotized spots, conductor semicircular in L. changtu Wang & Li sp. nov., median apophysis rectangular, with 5 larger teeth distally, conductor triangular in ventral view in L. chuan Wang & Li sp. nov.); L. kangsa Wang & Li sp. nov., L. shibingensis and L. shanji Wang & Li sp. nov. can be distinguished by the location and pattern of male pedipalpal tibial spines (I spine located at the middle in L. shibingensis and L. shanji Wang & Li sp. nov.; I spine asymmetrically bifurcated in L. shanji Wang & Li sp. nov., male pedipalpal tibia I spine located at base and not bifurcated in L. kangsa Wang & Li sp. nov.). Nevertheless, we found two species with maximum pairwise distance >3%, including L. reticulopecta (specimens from Tianshegngiao Cave are clearly distant from the rest) with 4.3/4.0%, L. pentakis (specimens from Liaoya cave is clearly distant from the rest) with 5.3/5.0%. Then we achieved a threshold of 3.11/3.0% (K2P/uncorrected and p-distance), excluding taxa from Tianshegngiao Cave and Liaoya Cave. This threshold was interestingly close to the 3%

commonly used in barcoding literature (Hebert et al., 2003a, b).

Here, we were highly successful using ABGD for identification. In ABGD analysis, the taxa from Tianshegnqiao Cave and Liaoya Cave were identified as *L. reticulopecta* and *L. pentakis*, respectivelly. Given that all specimens of *L. reticulopecta* and *L. pentakis* are morphologically very similar, we are currently unable to ascertain if the observed genetic distances simply represent a high level of intraspecific variation or reflect cryptic species between the taxa of *L. reticulopecta* and *L. pentakis*. To answer this question, more specimens need to be collected and analyzed, using both morphological characters and nuclear sequence data.

In conclusion, our study demonstrates the power of an integrative approach, in which both classical and DNA barcoding taxonomy complements each other and both contribute to a more accurate taxonomic classification.

Taxonomy

Key to species of Leptonetela

(Mostly referring to characters of the male pedipalp)

1	Spermathecae thin and loosely twisted
	L. strinatii (Brignoli, 1976) (male unknown)
_	Not as above2
2	Male pedipalp with median apophysis3
_	Male pedipalp without median apophysis9
3	Median apophysis like pine needles, sclerotized4

-	Not as above 33
4	Median apophysis appears as 4 pine needle-like appendages
-	Median apophysis divided into more or less than 4 pine
	needle-shaped appendages6
5	Tibia I spine strong, conspicuous, with bifurcated tip
	L. chakou sp.nov.
-	Tibia I spine strong, located at the middle of tibia prolaterally
	<i>L. grandispina</i> Lin & Li, 2010
6	Cymbium roughly double the length of bulb7
-	Cymbium roughly the same length as bulb
7	Median apophysis divided into 15 pine needle-like
	appendages <i>L. liuzhai</i> Wang & Li sp. nov.
-	Median apophysis divided into 2 pine needle-like
~	appendagesL. shuilian Wang & Li sp. nov.
8	Cymbium constricted medially, median apophysis divided
	into 5 pine needle-like appendages
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-	Cympium not constricted medially, median apophysis divided
	Into 2 pine needle-like appendages
0	Male podiagle with 5 tibial opingo projectorally
9	Male pedipalp with more than 5 tibial spines prolaterally
10	Cymbium constricted and wrinkled medially
10	Cymbium not constricted or wrinkled medially
11	Tibial spines slender and without bifurcated tin
_	Tibial spines strong or with bifurcated tip 12
12	Prolateral lobe tongue-shaped
_	Prolateral lobe absent
13	Pedipalpal tibia with one spine significantly longer than other
	spines14
_	Pedipalp tibia I, II spines nearly the same length
	<i>L. meitan</i> Lin & Li, 2010
14	Conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view
-	Conductor C-shaped in ventral view
	<i>L. liangfeng</i> Wang & Li sp. nov.
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Type species: *Leptonetela kanellisi* (Deeleman-Reinhold, 1971) from Greece.

Diagnosis. The genus *Leptonetela* can be distinguished from other leptonetid genera by the following combination of male pedipalpal characters: femur lacking spines and tibia with a longitudinal row of spines on the retrolateral surface.

Redescription. Carapace yellowish or white. Sternum shieldshaped. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid, covered with short hairs. Male pedipalpal patella with one short spine dorso-distally; tibia with trichobothria dorsally; cymbium with strong, thorny spine distally; bulb yellowish, ovoid, with two appendages inserted ventrally, median apophysis chitinous, conductor membranous, median apophysis and conductor absent in some species, embolus transparent, membranous. Female genital area covered with short hairs. Vulva with a pair of spermathecae and sperm ducts, spermathecae twisted and weakly sclerotized.

Distribution. Greece, Turkey, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Vietnam and China.

Leptonetela chakou Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 4–5, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Chakou Cave, N27.93°, E106.14°, Shalang, Shibao Town, Gulin County, Luzhou City, Sichuan Province, China, 20 April 2014, Y. Li, H. Zhao & Y. Lin leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 3 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to L. dao Wang & Li sp. nov., L. grandispina Lin & Li, 2010, L. liuzhai Wang & Li sp. nov., L. pentakis Lin & Li, 2010, and L. shuilian Wang & Li sp. nov., but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, the basal spine strong, conspicuous and with a bifurcate tip (Figure 4D) (6 short spines, with spine II largest in L. grandispina, 5 slender spines in L. dao Wang & Li sp. nov., L. liuzhai Wang & Li sp. nov., L. pentakis and L. shuilian Wang & Li sp. nov.); the median apophysis divided into 4 pine needle like structures (Figure 4B) (median apophysis divided into 2 pine needlelike structures a in L. dao Wang & Li sp. nov. and L. shuilian Wang & Li sp. nov., 15 pine needlelike structures in L. liuzhai Wang & Li sp. nov., and 5 pine needle like structures in L. pentakis); from L. dao Wang & Li sp. nov., L. grandispina, L. pentakis by the conductor reduced in this new species (Figure 4B); from L. liuzhai Wang & Li sp. nov. by the



Figure 4 Leptonetela chakou sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 5 Leptonetela chakou sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

cymbium 1.3 times longer than bulb (Figure 4C–D) (cymbium 2 times longer than bulb in *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. shuilian* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.25 (Figure 4A). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.87 wide. Opisthosoma 1.50 long, 1.00 wide. Carapace brown. Eyes six. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid, with pigmented stripe. Leg measurements: I 7.63 (2.05, 0.35, 2.35, 1.75, 1.13); II 5.71 (1.63, 0.30, 1.60, 1.30, 0.88); III 4.73 (1.25, 0.30, 1.13, 1.20, 0.85); IV 6.30 (1.75, 0.35, 1.75, 1.45, 1.00). Male pedipalp (Figure 4C–D): tibia with 2 large spines prolaterally, and 5 spines retrolaterally, I spine strong, conspicuous, tip bifurcated. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching to an earlobe-shaped process. Embolus triangular, bearing a basal tooth. Median apophysis sclerotized, divided into 4 pine needle like structures. Conductor membranous, reduced (Figure 4B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.27 (Figure 5A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.80 wide. Opisthosoma 1.50 long, 1.25 wide. Clypeus 0.12 high. Leg measurements: I 5.83 (1.50, 0.35, 1.55, 1.38, 1.05); II 4.43 (1.13, 0.30, 1.25, 1.00, 0.75); III 3.62 (1.00, 0.25, 1.00, 0.75, 0.62); IV 4.96 (1.38, 0.35, 1.35, 1.13, 0.75). Vulva (Figure 5C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Sichuan).

Leptonetela dao Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 6–7, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Dao Cave, N27.19°, E105.06°, Shuanglong, Salaxi County, Bijie City, Guizhou Province, China, 18 November 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 20 females, same data as holotype; 5 males and 7 females, Shanlanqiao Cave, N26.28°, E106.04°, Shanlanqiao, Qianyanqiao Town, Anshun City, Guizhou Province, China, 4 November 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** *L. grandispina* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** *L. pentakis* Lin & Li, 2010, and *L. shuilian* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** *but* can be separated from *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. grandispina*, *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. pentakis* by median apophysis divided into 2 pine needlelike (Figure 6B) (median apophysis divided into 4 pine needle like structures in *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. grandispina*, 15 pine needlelike structures in *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and 5 pine needlelike structures in *L. pentakis*); from *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. grandispina* by the tibial spines slender (Figure 6D) (the tibia I spine in *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and II spine in *L. grandispina* strong); from *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. pentakis* by the cymbium not constricted medially (Figure 6C); from *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. shuilian* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the cymbium 1.2 times longer than bulb (Figure 6C–D) (cymbium 2 times longer than bulb in *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. shuilian* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.28 (Figure 6A). Carapace 1.15 long, 1.03 wide. Opisthosoma 1.28 long, 0.93 wide. Carapace brown. Eyes six, reduced to white vestiges. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.15 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 10.36 (2.76, 0.40, 3.24, 2.40, 1.56); II 8.72 (2.44, 0.36, 2.60, 1.72, 1.60); III 6.20 (2.04, 0.32, 1.52, 1.40, 0.92); IV 8.80 (2.56, 0.40, 2.60, 2.04, 1.20). Male pedipalp (Figure 6C–D): tibia with 5 slender spines prolaterally and 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with I spine longest. Cymbium not wrinkled, earlobe-shaped process small. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe small, oval. Median apophysis sclerotized, divided into 2 pine needle like structures. Conductor broad, C shaped in ventral view (Figure 6B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with longer legs. Total length 2.76 (Figure 7A–B). Carapace 1.13 long, 1.10 wide. Opisthosoma 1.65 long, 1.40 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 11.36 (3.00, 0.40, 3.60, 2.60, 1.76); II 9.08 (2.64, 0.36, 2.80, 1.88, 1.40); III 7.44 (2.24, 0.36, 1.96, 1.64, 1.24); IV 9.68 (2.80, 0.40, 3.00, 2.08, 1.40). Vulva (Figure 7C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular, anterior margin of atrium with short hairs.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela liuzhai Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 8–9, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), nameless Cave, N25.27°, E107.43°, Longli, Liuzhai Town, Nandan County, Hechi City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 29 January 2015, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 2 males and 6 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. dao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. grandispina* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. pentakis* Lin & Li, 2010, and *L. shuilian* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. dao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. grandispina*, and *L. pentakis* by the male pedipalpal cymbium double the length of bulb, median apophysis divided into 15 pine needle-like structures (Figure 8B) (cymbium not double the length of bulb in *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. dao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. grandispina*, and *L. pentakis*; median apophysis with 4 pine needlelike structures in *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. grandispina*, 2 pine needlelike structures in *L. dao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. shuilian* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and 5 pine needlelike structures in *L. pentakis*); from *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. grandispina* by the tibial spines slender (Figure 8D) (I tibial



Figure 6 Leptonetela dao sp. nov., holotype male

A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 7 Leptonetela dao sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 8 Leptonetela liuzhai sp. nov., holotype male

A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 9 *Leptonetela liuzhai* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

spine in *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and II spine in *L. grandispina* strong); from *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. pentakis* by the cymbium not constricted medially in this new species (Figure 8C–D).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.25 (Figure 8A). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.35 long, 1.10 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes six. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.15 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.30 (2.25, 0.25, 2.35, 1.95, 1.50); II 6.68 (1.88, 0.25, 2.00, 1.55, 1.00); III 5.70 (1.63, 0.20, 1.62, 1.35, 0.90); IV 7.49 (2.13, 0.25, 2.13, 1.85, 1.13). Male pedipalp (Figure 8C–D): tibia with 5 long spines prolaterally and 5 spines retrolaterally, with tibia I spine longest. Cymbium not wrinkled, earlobe-shaped process small, cymbium double the length of bulb. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe reduced. Median apophysis sclerotized, divided into 15 pine needlelike structures. Conductor reduced (Figure 8B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.50 (Figure 9A–B). Carapace 1.50 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.13 long, 1.38 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 7.30 (2.00, 0.25, 2.25, 1.75, 1.05); II 5.51 (1.63, 0.20, 1.55, 1.25, 0.88); III 4.76 (1.38, 0.25, 1.25, 1.13, 0.75); IV 6.50 (1.87, 0.25, 1.88, 1.50, 1.00). Vulva (Figure 9C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guangxi).

Leptonetela shuilian Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 10–11, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Shuilian Cave, N24.43°, E106.97°, Pingle, Fengshan County, Hechi City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 22 March 2015, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 6 males and 4 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. dao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. grandispina* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. pentakis* Lin & Li, 2010, and *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be separated from *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. dao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. grandispina* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. pentakis* Lin & Li, 2010 by the male pedipalpal cymbium double the length of bulb; from *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. grandispina*, *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. pentakis* by the median apophysis divided into 2 pine needlelike structures in *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** (Figure 10B) (median apophysis divided into 4 pine needlelike structures in *L. chakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and 5 pine needlelike structures in *L. liuzhai* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and 5 pine needlelike structures in *L. grandispina* by the tibial **Description. Male (holotype).** Total length 2.25 (Figure 10A). Carapace 1.13 long, 1.00 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.90 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes six. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.12 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I - (2.63, -, 2.88, 2.35, 1.60); II - (2.13, -, 2.25, 2.00, 1.10); III - (1.88, -, 1.75, 1.50, 0.95); IV - (2.38, -, 2.38, 2.10, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 10C–D): tibia with 3 long spines prolaterally, and 5 spines retrolaterally, with I spine longest, tip bifurcated. Cymbium not wrinkled, earlobe-shaped process absent, cymbium double the length of bulb. Embolus spoon-shaped; prolateral lobe reduced. Median apophysis sclerotized, divided into 2 sharp pine needlelike structures. Conductor reduced (Figure 10B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.10 (Figure 11A–B). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.85 wide. Opisthosoma 1.50 long, 1.13 wide. Clypeus 0.10 high. Leg measurements: I 7.30 (1.75, 0.35, 2.25, 1.70, 1.25); II 5.33 (1.40, 0.30, 1.63, 1.00, 1.00); III 5.01 (1.25, 0.25, 1.38, 1.25, 0.88); IV 6.48 (1.60, 0.30, 1.88, 1.60, 1.10). Vulva (Figure 11C): spermathecae coiled, apical part free, atrium semicircular, anterior margin of the atrium with short hairs.

Distribution. China (Guangxi).

Leptonetela chenjia Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 12–13, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Chenjia Cave, N28.38°, E108.67°, Tianba, Songtao County, Tongren City, Guizhou Prvince, China, 9 March 2013, H. Zhao & J. Liu leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. anshun* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. suae* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. tongzi* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. meitan* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. liangfeng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. sanyan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalal tibia I spine far apart from the other 4 spines (Figure 12D), conductor reduced (Figure 12B) (tibial spine I bifurcated symmetrically in *L. anshun*; conductor tip bifurcated in *L. anshun*, bamboo leaf-shaped in *L. sanyan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. tongzi*; thin, triangular in *L. suae* and *L. meitan*, and C shaped in *L. liangfeng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); is also similar to *L. huoyan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the absent median apophysis, reduced conductor (Figure 12B) (median apophysis present, slightly sclerotized, index finger like, conductor broad, semicircular in *L. huoyan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).



Figure 10 Leptonetela shuilian sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 11 *Leptonetela shuilian* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 12 Leptonetela chenjia sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.



Figure 13 Leptonetela chenjia sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae. **Description. Male (holotype).** Total length 2.50 (Figure 12A). Carapace 1.25 long, 0.95 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.15 high. Opisthosoma pale brown, ovoid, with pigmented stripe. Leg measurements: I 10.44 (2.60, 0.37, 3.05, 2.50, 1.62); II 7.84 (2.25, 0.35, 2.25, 1.87, 1.12); III 6.41 (1.50, 0.32, 1.87, 1.62, 1.10); IV 8.59 (2.50, 0.35, 2.37, 2.12, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 12C–D): tibia with 3 long spines prolaterally, 5 spines retrolaterally, with I spine longest, far apart from others. Cymbium not wrinkled. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis absent. Conductor reduced (Figure 12B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.25 (Figure 13A–B). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.80 wide. Opisthosoma 1.37 long, 1.12 wide. Clypeus 0.12 high. Leg measurements: I 7.89 (2.12, 0.37, 2.25, 1.85, 1.30); II 6.19 (1.62, 0.32, 1.75, 1.40, 1.10); III 5.10 (1.45, 0.30, 1.25, 1.20, 0.90); IV 6.76 (1.80, 0.35, 1.87, 1.62, 1.12). Vulva (Figure 13C): spermathecae coiled, apical part coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela liangfeng Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 14–15, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Liangfeng Cave, N28.32°, E107.84°, Tian, Fengle Town, Wuchuan County, Zunyi City, Guizhou Province, China, 7 August 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes**: 1 male and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. anshun* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. suae* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. tongzi* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. meitan* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. chenjia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. sanyan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal bulb conductor C shaped (Figure 14B) (conductor tip bifurcated in *L. anshun*, bamboo leaf-shaped in *L. sanyan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. tongzi*; thin, triangular in *L. suae* and *L. meitan*, reduced in *L. chenjia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. anshun* by the tibia I spine slender not bifurcated (Figure 14D) (tibia I spine symmetrically bifurcated in *L. anshun*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.28 (Figure 14A). Carapace 0.93 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.35 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellow. Eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma yellowish, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.47 (2.59, 0.43, 2.88, 2.25, 1.32); II 8.61 (2.23, 0.32, 2.60, 2.05, 1.41); III 7.38 (2.05, 0.43, 2.08, 1.55, 1.27); IV 8.81 (2.51, 0.38, 2.17, 2.28, 1.47). Male pedipalp (Figure 14C–D): tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally and 5 spines retrolaterally, tibia I spine longest. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to an earlobe-

shaped process. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis absent. Conductor C shaped in ventral view (Figure 14B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.14 (Figure 15A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.73 wide. Opisthosoma 1.36 long, 0.95 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 7.44 (1.98, 0.38, 2.03, 1.77, 1.28); II 7.01 (1.88, 0.37, 1.98, 1.55, 1.23); III 5.78 (1.33, 0.25, 1.75, 1.42, 1.03); IV 7.59 (2.03, 0.33, 2.18, 1.79, 1.26). Vulva (Figure 15C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela sanyan Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 16–17, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Sanyan Cave, N29.15°, E107.60°, Heyi, Yangxi Town, Daozhen County, Guizhou Province, China, 30 May 2011, Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. anshun* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. suae* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. tongzi* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. meitan* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. chenjia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. liangfeng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be separated from all above except *L. tongzi* by in the male conductor C shaped in this new species (Figure 16B) (conductor tip bifurcated in *L. anshun*, C shaped in *L. liangfeng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, thin, triangular in *L. suae* and *L. meitan*, reduced in *L. chenjia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. tongzi* by in the female atrium triangular, anterior margin of the atrium with pointed process medially in *L. tongzi*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.78 (Figure 16A). Carapace 0.83 long, 0.83 wide. Opisthosoma 1.00 long, 0.75 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, pale brown. Cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high, slightly sloped anteriorly. Opisthosoma yellow, ovoid, with pigmented stripe. Leg measurements: I 7.08 (2.00, 0.33, 2.15, 1.75, 1.15); II 6.09 (1.68, 0.30, 1.73, 1.38, 1.00); III 4.84 (1.38, 0.28, 1.25, 1.13, 0.80); IV 6.28 (1.75, 0.30, 1.78, 1.50, 0.95). Male pedipalp (Figure 16C–D): tibia with 1 long spine prolaterally, 5 spines retrolaterally, with the basal spine longest. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching an earlobe-shaped process. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe absent. Median apophysis absent. Conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 16B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.03 (Figure 17A–B). Carapace 0.80 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.93 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 6.92 (1.88, 0.33, 2.00, 1.58, 1.13); II 5.36 (1.50, 0.30, 1.53, 1.15, 0.88); III 4.44 (1.20, 0.28, 1.13, 1.05, 1.50, 0.20, 1.53, 1.50, 0.20, 1.50, 0.20, 1.51, 0.20, 0.2



Figure 14 Leptonetela liangfeng sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.







Figure 16 Leptonetela sanyan sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.



Figure 17 Leptonetela sanyan sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 18 Leptonetela wangjia sp. nov., holotype male

A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Right palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Right palp, retrolateral view. D: Right palp, prolateral view; PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.





0.78); IV 5.94 (1.73, 0.30, 1.58, 1.38, 0.95). Vulva (Figure 17C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular, anterior margin of the atrium undulate. Short hairs modified spermathecae, sperm ducts, and anterior margin of atrium.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela wangjia Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 18–19, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Wangjia Cave, N26.98°, E107.94°, Gaoqi, Nongchang Town, Huangpin County, Guizhou Province, China, 4 March 2012, H. Zhao & J. Liu leg. **Paratype:** 1 female, same data as holotype .

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. danxia* Lin & Li, 2010, and *L. yaoi* wang & Li, 2011, but can be distinguished by the reduced pedipalpal bulb conductor (Figure 18B) (conductor C shaped in *L. danxia*, bamboo leaf-shaped in *L. yaoi*), from *L. yaoi* by the tibia I spine slender, asymmetrically bifurcated (Figure 18C) (tibia I spine strong in *L. yaoi*); from *L. danxia* by the unwrinkled cymbium (Figure 18C–D) (cymbium constricted and wrinkled at 1/3 in *L. danxia*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.13 (Figure 18A). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.80 wide. Opisthosoma 1.00 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I - (1.88, 0.25,-, -, -); II 5.66 (1.63, 0.25, 1.63, 1.25, 0.90); III 4.71 (1.25, 0.23, 1.25, 1.13, 0.85); IV 6.25 (1.75, 0.25, 1.75, 1.50, 1.00). Male pedipalp (Figure 18C– D): tibia with 7 long setae prolaterally and 5 spines retrolaterally, I spine slender, longest, asymmetrically bifurcated. Cymbium not wrinkled, earlobe-shaped process absent. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis absent. Conductor reduced (Figure 18B).

Female. Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with longer legs. Total length 2.50 (Figure 19A–B). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.90 wide. Opisthosoma 1.50 long, 1.15 wide. Clypeus 0.20 high. Leg measurements: I 9.26 (2.55, 0.38, 2.60, 2.10, 1.63); II 8.25 (2.37, 0.38, 2.25, 1.90, 1.35); III 6.90 (2.05, 0.35, 1.75, 1.65, 1.10); IV 7.86 (2.30, 0.38, 2.13, 1.75, 1.30). Vulva (Figure 19C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela qiangdao Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 20–21, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Qiangdao Cave, N25.83°, E109.04°, Guandong Town, Congjiang County, Qiandongnan Prefecture, Guizhou, China, 16 March 2013, H. Zhao & J. Liu leg. **Paratypes:** 3 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. furcaspina* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. langdong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. dashui* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia I spine strong (Figure 20D), conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 20B) (tibia I spine strong, asymmetrically bifurcated, conductor C shaped in *L. furcaspina*, tibia I spine strong, tip curved, conductor reduced in *L. langdong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, tibia I spine slender, II III spines curved basally, conductor C shaped in *L. dashui* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.80 (Figure 20A). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.90 wide. Opisthosoma 0.90 long, 0.75 wide. Carapace yellow. Four eyes, PME absent, ALE and PLE reduced to white points. Median groove needle-shaped, pale brown, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma whitish gray, ovoid, lacking distinctive pattern. Leg measurements: I 7.88 (2.13, 0.33, 2.20, 1.92, 1.30); II 6.41 (1.63, 0.30, 1.75, 1.58, 1.15); III 5.40 (1.50, 0.30, 1.45, 1.23, 0.92); IV 7.43 (1.80, 0.33, 2.10, 1.72, 1.48). Male pedipalp (Figure 20C–D): tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 5 spines retrolaterally, with I spine strong, longest, tip curved. Cymbium with no wrinkle medially, earlobe-shaped process small. Bulb with spoon-shaped embolus, prolateral lobe small. Median apophysis absent. Conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 20B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.25 (Figure 21A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.80 wide. Opisthosoma 1.37 long, 1.13 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 6.91 (2.10, 0.38, 1.88, 1.47, 1.08); II 6.20 (1.70, 0.35, 1.75, 1.40, 1.00); III 4.97 (1.37, 0.30, 1.25, 1.22, 0.83); IV 6.98 (1.88, 0.38, 1.92, 1.67, 1.13). Vulva (Figure 21C): spermathecae coiled, atrium trapezoidal, anterior margin of atrium undulate, covered with short hairs.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela langdong Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 22–23, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Menglonggong Cave, N27.07°, E107.76°, Langdong Village, Huangping County, Qiandongnan Prefecture, Guizhou Province, China, 3 March 2013, H. Zhao & J. Liu leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. furcaspina* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. qiangdao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. dashui* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia I spine strong, tip curved (Figure 22D), conductor reduced (Figure 22B) (tibia I spine strong, asymmetrically bifurcated, conductor



Figure 20 Leptonetela qiangdao sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.



Figure 21 *Leptonetela qiangdao* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 22 Leptonetela langdong sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.



Figure 23 *Leptonetela langdong* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.
C shaped in *L. furcaspina*, tibia I spine strong, conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in *L. qiangdao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, tibia I spine slender, II III spines curved basally, conductor C shaped in *L. dashui* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype): total length 2.25 (Figure 22A). Carapace 1.25 long, 0.87 wide. Opisthosoma 1.13 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellowish. Six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.91 (2.38, 0.35, 2.55, 2.13, 1.50); II 7.23 (2.00, 0.35, 1.88, 1.75, 1.25); III 6.22 (1.75, 0.34, 1.63, 1.50, 1.00); IV 8.05 (2.25, 0.35, 2.25, 1.90, 1.30). Male pedipalp (Figure 22C–D): femur with 6 spines ventrally, tibia with 3 long spines prolaterally, 1 long seta and 5 spines retrolaterally, with I spine strong, tip curved. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to an earlobe-shaped process. Embolus triangular, bearing a tooth basally, prolateral lobe reduced. Median apophysis absent. Conductor reduced (Figure 22B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.25 (Figure 23A–B). Carapace 1.10 long, 0.60 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.88 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 7.48 (2.10, 0.38, 2.13, 1.62, 1.25); II 6.14 (1.75, 0.38, 1.63, 1.38, 1.00); III 5.18 (1.50, 0.35, 1.25, 1.20, 0.88); IV 6.86 (2.00, 0.38, 1.88, 1.50, 1.10). Vulva (Figure 23C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela dashui Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 24–25, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Dashui Cave, N26.61°, E106.61°, Shijicheng, Jinyang New Urban Area, Guiyang City, Guizhou Province, China, 18 June 2011, Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. furcaspina* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. qiangdao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. langdong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the slender male pedipalpal tibia I spine, II III spines curved basally (Figure 24D), conductor C shaped (Figure 24B), (tibia I spine strong, tip curved, conductor reduced in *L. langdong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, tibia I spine strong, asymmetrically bifurcated, conductor narrow and bifurcated in *L. furcaspina*, tibia I spine strong, conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in *L. qiangdao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.88 (Figure 24A). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.00 long, 0.75 wide. Carapace yellowish. Eyes absent. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.24 (2.25, 0.38, 2.43, 1.88, 1.30); II 7.16 (1.98, 0.35, 2.00, 1.63, 1.20); III 6.06 (1.75, 0.33, 1.60, 1.50, 0.88); IV 7.69 (2.13, 0.38, 2.08, 1.85, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 24C–D): femur with 4 spines ventrally, tibia with 2 long setae prolaterally, 2 long

setae and 5 slender spines retrolaterally, the spines equally strong, spine I longest. Cymbium not wrinkled, earlobe- shaped process small. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe reduced. Median apophysis absent. Conductor C shaped in ventral view (Figure 24B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 1.93 (Figure 25A–B). Carapace 0.78 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.18 long, 1.00 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 6.02 (1.68, 0.28, 1.73, 1.30, 1.03); II 5.29 (1.45, 0.28, 1.43, 1.25, 0.88); III 4.34 (1.25, 0.25, 1.13, 1.03, 0.68); IV 5.67 (1.63, 0.28, 1.58, 1.28, 0.90). Vulva (Figure 25C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform, anterior margin with pointed process medially.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela gang Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 26–27, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Gang Cave, N26.87°, E108.91°, Tunhou, Nanming Town, Jianhe County, Kaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 15 December 2011, Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 15 males and 6 females, same data as holotype; 4 males and 5 females, Long Cave, N26.85°, E108.79°, Longtang, Liangshang Town, Sansui County, Kaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 18 December 2011, Z. Zha leg; 5 males and 5 females, Shenxian Cave, N26.87°, E108.89°, Shixing, Xiaolan Country, Nanming Town, Jianhe County, Kaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 16 December 2011, Z. Zha leg; 5 females, Niu Cave, N26.86°, E108.93°, Cenge, Nanming Town, Jianhe County, Kaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 14 December 2011, Z. Zha leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. jiulong* Lin & Li, 2010, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 6 spines retrolaterally, tibia II spine thickest, I, II spines equally length, tibia II spine asymmetrically bifurcated (Figure 26D), median apophysis absent, conductor reduced (Figure 26B) (I, II spines equally strong, tibia II spine longest and bifurcate, tibia I spine half the length of II, median apophysis broad and smooth, conductor rugose, triangular in *L. jiulong*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.63 (Figure 26A). Carapace 1.25 long, 1.00 wide. Opisthosoma 1.50 long, 1.13 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 10.66 (3.00, 0.38, 3.13, 2.55, 1.60); II 8.96 (2.50, 0.38, 2.55, 2.13, 1.40); III 7.55 (2.25, 0.35, 2.00, 1.75, 1.20); IV 9.68 (2.75, 0.38, 2.75, 2.35, 1.45). Male pedipalp (Figure 26C–D): tibia with 5 long spines prolaterally, 6 spines retrolaterally, tibia II spine thickest asymmetrically bifurcated, I II spines equally length. Cymbium constricted medially, attached



Figure 24 *Leptonetela dashui* sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.



Figure 25 *Leptonetela dashui* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 26 Leptonetela gang sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.



Figure 27 *Leptonetela gang* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

to an earlobe-shaped process. Embolus triangular, median apophysis absent, conductor reduced (Figure 26B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.38 (Figure 27A–B). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.50 long, 1.20 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 9.26 (2.50, 0.38, 2.75, 2.13, 1.50); II 7.51 (2.00, 0.38, 2.13, 1.75, 1.25); III 6.29 (1.88, 0.38, 1.63, 1.40, 1.00); IV 8.11 (2.25, 0.38, 2.25, 1.88, 1.35). Vulva (Figure 27C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela la Wang & Li sp. nov. Figure 28–29, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), La Cave in Xiaoyakou, N25.80°, E104.95°, Puan County, Qianxinan Prefecture, Guizhou Province, China, 14 July 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes:** 3 males and 5 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. rudong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. wenzhu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished from *L. wenzhu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the male pedipalpal tibia with 7 spines retrolaterally (tibia with 6 spines retrolaterally in *L. wenzhu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. rudong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally (Figure 28D) (tibia with 2 long setae, 2 spines prolaterally, cymbium with 1 horn-shaped spine on the earlobe-shaped process in *L. rudong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. rudong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. wenzhu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the conductor broad, C shaped (conductor thin, triangular in *L. rudong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, bamboo leaf-shaped in *L. wenzhu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.97 (Figure 28A). Carapace 1.25 long, 1.09 wide. Opisthosoma 1.71 long, 1.40 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.17 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 10.49 (2.60, 0.40, 3.16, 2.48, 1.85); II 9.70 (2.66, 0.41, 2.81, 2.26, 1.56); III 8.83 (2.34, 0.40, 2.81, 1.97, 1.31); IV 10.17 (2.81, 0.41, 2.88, 2.51, 1.56). Male pedipalp (Figure 28C–D): tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally and 7 slender spines retrolaterally, tibia I II spines of equal length, longer than other spines. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching an earlobe-shaped process. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis absent. Conductor C shaped in ventral view (Figure 28B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.81 (Figure 29A–B). Carapace 1.09 long, 1.01 wide. Opisthosoma 1.69 long, 1.47 wide. Clypeus 0.17 high. Leg measurements: I 9.68 (2.56, 0.40, 2.97, 2.13, 1.62); II 8.23 (2.34,

0.34, 2.43, 1.81, 1.31; III 7.03 (2.19, 0.34, 2.03, 1.38, 1.09); IV 9.13 (2.51, 0.34, 2.59, 2.38, 1.31). Vulva (Figure 29C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform, anterior margin of atrium with one large pointed process medially, and covered with short hairs.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela rudong Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 30–31, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Rudong Cave, N25.57°, E110.62°, Longpan Mountain, Dongtian, Xing'an County, Guilin City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 11 July 2009, C. Wang & Z. Yao leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 3 females, same data as holotype; 3 females, Gouya Cave, N25.46°, E110.11°, Hufeng, Guanyang County, Guilin City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 30 August 2009, C. Wang & Z. Yao leg; 2 females, Jiulong Cave, N25.46°, E110.09°, Shifeng, Guanyang County, Guilin City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 30 August 2009, C. Wang & Z. Yao leg, County, Guilin City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 30 August 2009, C. Wang & Z. Yao leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. la* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. wenzhu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 2 long setae, 2 spines prolaterally, 1 long seta, and 6 spines retrolaterally, cymbium with 1 horn-shaped spine on the earlobe-shaped process (Figure 30C–D), conductor thin, triangular in ventral view (Figure 30B) (tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 7 slender spines retrolaterally, conductor broad, C shaped in *L. la* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; tibia with 2 long setae prolaterally, 6 spines retrolaterally, with tibia I spine strongest, conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in *L. wenzhu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.12 (Figure 30A). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.85 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 1.05 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes six. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma brown, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 10.15 (2.84, 0.38, 3.00, 2.38, 1.55); II 7.84 (2.08, 0.38, 2.23, 1.88, 1.27); III 6.55 (1.83, 0.35, 1.75, 1.62, 1.00); IV 8.31 (2.25, 0.38, 2.38, 2.05, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 30C–D): tibia with 2 long setae, 2 spines prolaterally, 1 long seta and 6 slender spines retrolaterally, with 1 spine longest. Cymbium constricted medially, with 1 horn-shaped spine on the earlobe-shaped process. Embolus triangular, pedipalpal bulb oval. Median apophysis absent. Conductor thin, triangular in ventral view (Figure 30B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.15 (Figure 31A–B). Carapace 0.90 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.33 long, 1.02 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 8.64 (2.35, 0.33, 2.55, 1.88, 1.53); II 6.87 (2.03, 0.33, 1.88, 1.50, 1.13); III 6.06 (1.90, 0.33, 1.50, 1.35, 0.98); IV 7.39 (1.98, 0.33, 2.13, 1.78, 1.17). Vulva (Figure 31C):



Figure 28 Leptonetela la sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.



Figure 29 *Leptonetela la* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 30 *Leptonetela rudong* sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor.



Figure 31 *Leptonetela rudong* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.







Figure 33 *Leptonetela wenzhu* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

spermathecae coiled, atrium semicircular, anterior margin of atrium with one pointed process medially, and covered with short hairs.

Leptonetela wenzhu Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 32–33, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Wenzhu Cave, N25.44°, E105.13°, Longchang Town, Xingren City, Guizhou Province, China, 16 July 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 2 females, same data as holotype; 4 females, Xiaoya Cave, N25.44°, E105.13°, Yaqiao Town, Xingren City, Guizhou Province, China, 16 July 2012, H. Zhao leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. rudong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. la* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 6 spines retrolaterally (Figure 32D), conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 32B) (tibia with 1 long seta, 6 spines retrolaterally in *L. rudong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, tibia with 7 spines retrolaterally in *L. la* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, conductor broad, C shaped in *L. la* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, thin, triangular in *L. rudong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.63 (Figure 32A). Carapace 1.28 long, 1.03 wide. Opisthosoma 1.34 long, 1.09 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, PME and PLE absent, ALE reduced to white points. Median groove, cervical groove and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.25 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 10.17 (2.78, 0.37, 3.12, 2.34, 1.56); II 7.34 (2.53, 0.37, 1.94, 1.72, 0.78); III 7.70 (2.19, 0.37, 2.03, 1.88, 1.22); IV 9.28 (2.60, 0.37, 2.56, 2.28, 1.47). Male pedipalp (Figure 32C–D): tibia with 6 spines retrolaterally, arranged equidistantly. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe absent. Median apophysis absent. Conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 32B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.88 (Figure 33A–B). Carapace 1.20 long, 1.00 wide. Opisthosoma 1.60 long, 1.20 wide. Clypeus 0.18 high. Leg measurements: I 8.62 (2.53, 0.37, 2.51, 1.90, 1.31); II 7.36 (2.09, 0.34, 1.94, 1.65, 1.34); III 6.18 (1.55, 0.31, 1.69, 1.47, 1.16); IV 7.98 (2.44, 0.31, 2.01, 1.88, 1.34). Vulva (Figure 33C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela longli Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 34–35, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Underground River, N25.27°, E107.44°, Longli, Liuzhai Town, Nandan County, Hechi City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 29 January 2015, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 3 males and 4 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. chiosensis* Wang & Li, 2011 and *L. panbao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia I, II and III spines equally strong (Figure 34D), conductor C shaped (Figure 34B) (tibia I spine strong, conductor triangular in *L. chiosensis*; tibia spines slender, cymbium with 1 strong spine on the earlobe-shaped process, conductor reduced, embolus with 1 tooth basally in *L. panbao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.88 (Figure 34A). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.00 long, 0.80 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes six. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.10 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 6.38 (1.75, 0.25, 1.88, 1.50, 1.00); II 5.03 (1.40, 0.25, 1.38, 1.25, 0.75); III 4.25 (1.37, 0.20, 1.13, 1.00, 0.55); IV 5.71 (1.63, 0.25, 1.60, 1.35, 0.88). Male pedipalp (Figure 34C–D): tibia with 3 long spines prolaterally, 5 spines retrolaterally, tibia I spine longest, I, II III spines equally strong, stronger than other spines. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe reduced. Median apophysis "J" shaped in ventral view. Conductor "C" shaped in ventral view (Figure 34B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 1.95 (Figure 35A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 1.00 wide. Clypeus 0.10 high. Leg measurements: I 5.03 (1.38, 0.25, 1.50, 1.15, 0.75); II 4.58 (1.25, 0.25, 1.13, 1.10, 0.85); III 3.55 (1.00, 0.20, 0.88, 0.87, 0.60); IV 4.76 (1.30, 0.25, 1.38, 1.13, 0.70). Vulva (Figure 35C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guangxi).

Leptonetela panbao Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 36–37, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Panbao Cave, N28.38°, E108.67°, Panbao, Shichang Town, Songtao County, Tongren City, Guizhou Province, China, 8 March 2013, H. Zhao & J. Liu leg. **Paratypes:** 2 male and 4 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. chiosensis* Wang & Li, 2011 and *L. Longli* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibial spines slender, equally strong, cymbium with 1 strong spine on the earlobe-shaped process (Figure 36D), conductor reduced, embolus with 1 tooth basally (Figure 36B) (tibia I spine stronger than other spines, conductor triangular in *L. chiosensis*; tibia I, II and III spines equally strong, stronger than other spines, conductor C shaped in *L. panbao* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.38 (Figure 36A). Carapace 1.15 long, 1.00 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.90



Figure 34 Leptonetela longli sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 35 *Leptonetela longli* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 36 Leptonetela panbao sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 37 *Leptonetela panbao* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

wide. Carapace yellow. Six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 10.50 (2.75, 0.35, 3.50, 2.40, 1.50); II 7.86 (2.13, 0.35, 2.35, 1.90, 1.13); III 6.22 (1.75, 0.34, 1.75, 1.38, 1.00); IV 8.43 (2.38, 0.35, 2.40, 2.05, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 36C–D): tibia with 4 long spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, the spines equally strong, tibia I spine longest. Cymbium not wrinkled, earlobe-shaped process small, with 1 spine. Embolus triangular, bearing a basal tooth, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis single quote shaped, " '" in ventral view. Conductor reduced (Figure 36B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.50 (Figure 37A–B). Carapace 1.13 long, 1.00 wide. Opisthosoma 1.62 long, 1.25 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 8.85 (2.30, 0.30, 2.62, 2.13, 1.50); II 6.81 (1.88, 0.30, 2.00, 1.50, 1.13); III 5.76 (1.63, 0.25, 1.63, 1.25, 1.00); IV 7.58 (2.25, 0.30, 2.13, 1.75, 1.15). Vulva (Figure 37C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular, anterior margin of atrium covered with short hairs.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela feilong Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 38–39, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Feilong Cave, N26.44°, E107.02°, Longli Town, Qiannan Prefecture, Guizhou Province, China, 27 July 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes:** 9 females, same data as holotype; 1 female, Lianhua Cave, N26.43°, E106.95°, Lianhua Town, Qiannan Prefecture, Guizhou Province, China, 27 July 2012, H. Zhao leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. yangi* Lin & Li, 2010 and *L. jiahe* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished from *L. yangi* by the male pedipalpal cymbium constricted medially, attaching an earlobe-shaped process (Figure 38D), conductor triangular (Figure 38B) (cymbium not constricted, earlobe-shaped process absent, conductor reduced in *L. yangi*), from *L. jiahe* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the median apophysis "m"-shaped, conductor triangular (cymbium with 1 spine on the earlobe-shaped process, and 1 curved long spine medially, median apophysis like pointedprocess, with 3 sclerotized spots distally, conductor C shaped in *L. jiahe* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.31 (Figure 38A). Carapace 1.02 long, 1.30 wide. Opisthosoma 1.30 long, 1.14 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.15 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.53 (2.66, 0.40, 2.81, 2.19, 1.47); II 8.09 (2.41, 0.40, 2.41, 1.93, 0.94); III 7.17 (2.03, 0.40, 1.94, 1.72, 1.08); IV 8.82 (2.71, 0.41, 2.51, 1.94, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 38C–D): tibia with 2 long setae prolaterally, 5 spines retrolaterally, spines I, II and III equally strong, spine I longest. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching an earlobe-shaped

process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe nearly absent. Median apophysis "m"-shaped. Conductor triangular (Figure 38B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.13 (Figure 39A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.87 wide. Clypeus 0.08 high. Leg measurements: I 8.44 (2.38, 0.30, 2.51, 1.87, 1.38); II 7.48 (2.05, 0.31, 2.25, 1.62, 1.25); III 6.20 (1.75, 0.31, 1.75, 1.38, 1.01); IV 7.73 (2.25, 0.32, 2.25, 1.78, 1.13). Vulva (Figure 39C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela jiahe Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 40–41, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Jiahe Cave, N25.25°, E110.20°, Lingui Town, Lingui County, Guilin City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 20 December 2013, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes:** 3 males and 5 females, same data as holotype; 6 males and 5 females, Flytiger Cave, N25.25°, E110.20°, Lingui Town, Lingui County, Guilin City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 20 December 2013, H. Zhao leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. yangi* Lin & Li, 2010, and *L. feilong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal cymbium with 1 short spine on the earlobe-shaped process, and 1 curved, long spine retrolaterally (Figure 40D), median apophysis shaped like a pointed process, tip with 3 sclerotized spots, conductor C shaped (Figure 40B) (median apophysis "m"-shaped in *L. yangi* and *L. feilong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, conductor reduced in *L. yangi*; triangular in *L. feilong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.43 (Figure 40A). Carapace 1.03 long, 0.90 wide. Opisthosoma 1.43 long, 1.22 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma white, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.22 (2.48, 0.38, 2.66, 2.20, 1.50); II 7.58 (2.13, 0.35, 2.20, 1.75, 1.15); III 6.21 (1.75, 0.30, 1.63, 1.53, 1.00); IV 8.11 (2.25, 0.35, 2.13, 2.00, 1.38). Male pedipalp (**Figure** 40C–D): tibia with 5 slender spines retrolaterally, spines I, II and III equally strong, stronger than other spines, spine I longest. Cymbium constricted medially, retrolaterally attaching to 1 curved spine and an earlobe-shaped process, with 1 short spine. Embolus triangular, and prolateral lobe absent. Median apophysis shaped like pointed process, with 3 sclerotized spots distally. Conductor C shaped (Figure 40B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.30 (Figure 41A–B). Carapace 0.93 long, 0.80 wide.



Figure 38 Leptonetela feilong sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 39 *Leptonetela feilong* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 40 Leptonetela jiahe sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 41 *Leptonetela jiahe* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

Opisthosoma 1.45 long, 1.28 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I - (1.95, 0.38, -, -, -); II 5.91 (1.63, 0.35, 1.70, 1.25, 0.98); III 4.96 (1.38, 0.33, 1.30, 1.12, 0.83); IV 6.53 (1.85, 0.35, 1.78, 1.50, 1.05). Vulva (Figure 41C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guangxi).

Leptonetela xianren Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 42–43, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Xianren Cave, N29.73°, E110.31°, Yvpingxini, Zouma Town, Hefeng County, Enshi Tujia and Miao Autonomous Prefecture, Hubei Province, China, 27 January 2011, Y. Li & J. Liu leg. **Paratypes:** 2 males and 3 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. liping* Lin & Li, 2010, and *L. parlonga* Wang & Li, 2011 but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest (Figure 42D) (tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, spine I strong and longest in *L. liping*, 6 slender spines in *L. parlonga*); median apophysis triangular (Figure 42B) (median apophysis like pointed process in *L. liping*; ligulate in *L. parlonga*); from *L. parlonga* by the cymbium retrolaterally with 1 horn-shaped spine on the earlobe-shaped process in *L. parlonga*.

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.23 (Figure 42A). Carapace 0.95 long, 0.93 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular zone with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove, cervical groove and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid, lacking distinct pattern. Leg measurements: I 8.99 (2.50, 0.38, 2.48, 2.00, 1.63); II 8.48 (2.38, 0.37, 2.28, 1.90, 1.55); III 7.12 (2.03, 0.33, 1.88, 1.63, 1.25); IV 7.88 (2.48, 0.38, 2.07, 1.60, 1.35). Leg formula: I-II-IV-III. Male pedipalp (Figure 42C–D): femur with 5 spines ventrally, tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 2 long setae and 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching an earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis triangular. Conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 42B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.38 (Figure 43A–B). Carapace 0.85 long, 0.83 wide. Opisthosoma 1.55 long, 1.03 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 8.11 (2.25, 0.38, 2.20, 1.88, 1.40); II 7.71 (2.18, 0.35, 2.13, 1.70, 1.35); III 6.76 (2.00, 0.35, 1.78, 1.50, 1.13); IV 7.79 (2.45, 0.40, 2.03, 1.58, 1.33). Vulva (Figure 43C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiformed.

Distribution. China (Hubei).

Leptonetela tiankeng Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 44–45, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Tiankeng Cave, N26.64°, E104.80°, Hegou, Dewu Town, Zhongshan County, Liupanshui City, Guizhou Province, China, 9 November 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 4 males and 5 females, same data as holotype; 2 females, Luoshui Cave, N26.64°, E104.80°, Hegou, Dewu Town, Zhongshan County, Liupanshui City, Guizhou Province, China, 9 November 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. rudicula* Wang & Li, 2011, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 6 spines retrolaterally (Figure 44D), prolateral lobe indistinct (Figure 44C), conductor broad and long, distal edge undulate (Figure 44B) (5 spines retrolaterally, prolateral lobe oval, conductor short, C shaped in *L. rudicula*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.03 (Figure 44A). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.85 wide. Opisthosoma 1.10 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma yellowish, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.30 (2.48, 0.35, 2.81, 2.23, 1.43); II 8.46 (2.35, 0.35, 2.30, 2.18, 1.28); III 7.11 (2.05, 0.30, 1.98, 1.75, 1.03); IV 8.51 (2.43, 0.35, 2.33, 2.15, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 44C–D): tibia with 5 long setae prolaterally, 6 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest. Cymbium slightly constricted medially, attached to an earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis flake-like, sclerotized distally. Conductor broad, distal edge undulate (Figure 44B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 1.93 (Figure 45A–B). Carapace 0.83 long, 0.73 wide. Opisthosoma 1.13 long, 0.98 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 7.68 (2.23, 0.34, 2.23, 1.63, 1.25); II 6.41 (1.90, 0.35, 1.78, 1.38, 1.00); III 5.69 (1.68, 0.28, 1.58, 1.38, 0.77); IV 7.19 (2.00, 0.33, 2.03, 1.70, 1.13). Vulva (Figure 45C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela mayang Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 46–47, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Mayang Cave, N28.55°, E108.06°, Quankou, Dejiang County, Tongren City, Guizhou Province, China, 10 August 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratype:** 1 female, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.



Figure 42 Leptonetela xianren sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 43 *Leptonetela xianren* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 44 Leptonetela tiankeng sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 45 *Leptonetela tiankeng* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 46 Leptonetela mayang sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 47 Leptonetela mayang sp. nov., paratype female A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

Diagnosis. This new species can be distinguished from all other species of the genus by the male pedipalpal cymbium with one curved, short spine medially in retrolateral view, median apophysis triangular, spermathecae not tightly twisted, just spiraled in the female.

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.13 (Figure 46A). Carapace 1.10 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 0.90 long, 1.00 wide. Carapace white. Eye absent. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma white, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.98 (2.50, 0.30, 2.63, 2.05, 1.50); II 7.68 (2.13, 0.30, 2.25, 1.75, 1.25); III 6.76 (2.00, 0.25, 1.88, 1.63, 1.00); IV 8.21 (2.25, 0.30, 2.38, 1.88, 1.40). Male pedipalp (Figure 46C–D): tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, and 5 slender spines retrolaterally, spine I longest. Cymbium not wrinkled, earlobe-shaped process indistinct, and with 1 curved, short spine retrolaterally. Bulb with spoon-shaped embolus, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis triangular in ventral view. Conductor thin, triangular in ventral view (Figure 46B).

Female. Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.37 (Figure 47A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.65 long, 1.00 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I - (2.25, 0.30, -, -, -); II 6.81 (2.00, 0.30, 1.88, 1.50, 1.13); III 6.16 (1.88, 0.25, 1.75, 1.38, 0.90); IV 7.28 (2.13, 0.30, 2.00, 1.60, 1.25). Vulva (Figure 47C): spermathecae spiraled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela gubin Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 48–49, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Gubin River, N26.50°, E107.52°, Gubin, Xingshan Town, Majiang County, Shengkaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 28 November 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 22 males and 14 females, same data as holotype; 4 males and 5 females, nameless Cave, N26.50°, E107.52°, Gubin, Xingshan Town, Majiang County, Shengkaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 28 November 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. jinsha* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. quinquespinata* (Chen & Zhu, 2008), *L. xinhua* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** *L. lujia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. xinhua* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 4 slender spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spines I, II equal length, cymbium with 2 long curved spines on earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally (Figure 48D) (tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 1 long setae and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated in *L. jinsha*; tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 6 large spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest in *L. quinquespinata*; tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest in *L. lujia* Wang &

Li **sp. nov.**; embolus bifurcated, tibia with 5 slender spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, conductor triangular in *L. xinhua* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. jinsha, L. lujia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the semicircular conductor, base of median apophysis distinctly swollen, 4 times wider than the tip (Figure 48B) (conductor broad, tip undulate in *L. jinsha*; conductor thin, triangular in *L. lujia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. xinhua* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; base of median apophysis slightly swollen in *L. jinsha, L. lujia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**].

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.88 (Figure 48A). Carapace 0.80 long, 0.78 wide. Opisthosoma 1.13 long, 0.93 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid, lacking distinctive pattern. Leg measurements: I 7.51 (2.00, 0.38, 2.13, 1.75, 1.25); II 6.48 (1.75, 0.35, 1.80, 1.43, 1.15); III 5.51 (1.63, 0.35, 1.40, 1.25, 0.88); IV 6.82 (1.88, 0.35, 1.88, 1.58, 1.13). Male pedipalp (Figure 48C–D): tibia with 4 long spines prolaterally and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spines I, II equally length. Cymbium constricted medially, earlobe-shaped process with 2 long curved spines retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe absent. Median apophysis finger-shaped, base distinctly swollen. Conductor smooth, semicircular in ventral view (Figure 48B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with longer legs. Total length 2.30 (Figure 49A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.85 wide. Opisthosoma 1.40 long, 0.95 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 7.69 (2.13, 0.38, 2.25, 1.65, 1.28); II 6.71 (1.90, 0.38, 1.95, 1.40, 1.08); III 5.85 (1.75, 0.35, 1.50, 1.35, 0.90); IV 7.02 (2.00, 0.38, 1.93, 1.58, 1.13). Vulva (Figure 49C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela lujia Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 50–51, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Wuming Cave, N26.48°, E107.54°, Lujia Bridge, Gubin, Xingshan Town, Majiang County, Kaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 29 November 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. jinsha* Lin et Li, 2010, *L. quinquespinata* (Chen & Zhu, 2008), *L. xinhua* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. gubin* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest, spines II III equal length (Figure 50D), conductor thin, triangular (Figure 50B), (tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 1 long setae and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip



Figure 48 Leptonetela gubin sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 49 *Leptonetela gubin* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 50 Leptonetela lujia sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 51 *Leptonetela lujia* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

asymmetrically bifurcated, conductor broad, distal edge undulate in *L. jinsha*; tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 6 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest, conductor semicircular in *L. quinquespinata*; embolus bifurcated, tibia with 5 slender spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, conductor triangular in *L. xinhua* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; tibia with 4 slender spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, spines I, II equal length, cymbium with 2 long, curved spines on earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally, conductor semicircular in *L. gubin* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. gubin* and *L. quinquespinata* by the slightly swollen base of the median apophysis (Figure 50B) (base of median apophysis distinctly swollen, 4 times the width of tip in *L. gubin* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; 3 times in *L. quinquespinata*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.72 (Figure 50A). Carapace 0.90 long, 0.85 wide. Opisthosoma 0.87 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eye absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.12 high. Opisthosoma yellowish, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 7.75 (2.10, 0.37, 2.23, 1.78, 1.27); II 6.97 (1.96, 0.37, 1.86, 1.62, 1.16); III 5.73 (1.62, 0.32, 1.50, 1.32, 0.97); IV 7.15 (2.02, 0.30, 1.92, 1.80, 1.11). Male pedipalp (Figure 50C–D): tibia with 4 long spines prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest, spines II III equal length. Cymbium not constricted medially, earlobe-shaped process distinct. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis index finger like. Conductor thin, triangular in ventral view (Figure 50B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 1.70 (Figure 51A–B). Carapace 0.85 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 0.87 long, 0.83 wide. Clypeus 0.12 high. Leg measurements: I 6.89 (1.85, 0.37, 1.97, 1.50, 1.20); II 5.94 (1.67, 0.35, 1.62, 1.25, 1.05); III 5.30 (1.48, 0.35, 1.38, 1.22, 0.87); IV 6.47 (1.86, 0.37, 1.70, 1.46, 1.08). Vulva (Figure 51C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela xinhua Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 52–53, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), nameless Cave, N27.85°, E111.31°, Caojia Town, Xinhua County, Loudi City, Hunan Province, China, 24 March 2016, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 3 males and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. jinsha* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. quinquespinata* (Chen & Zhu, 2008), *L. lujia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. gubin* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the bifurcated embolus, male pedipalpal tibia with 5 slender spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, conductor triangular (Figure 52D), (tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest,

spines II III equal length, conductor thin, triangular in *L. lujia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 1 long seta and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated, conductor broad, distal edge undulate in *L. jinsha*; tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 6 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest, conductor semicircular in *L. quinquespinata*; tibia with 4 slender spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spines I, II equal length, cymbium with 2 long, curved spines on earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally, conductor semicircular in *L. gubin* and *L. quinquespinata* by the base of median apophysis slightly swollen (Figure 52B) (base of median apophysis distinctly swollen, 4 times the width of tip in *L. gubin* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; 3 times in *L. quinquespinata*).

Description. Male (holotype): total length 1.78 (Figure 52A). Prosoma 0.85 long, 0.71 wide. Opisthosoma 0.94 long, 0.73 wide. Prosoma yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, brown. Cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.14 high, slightly sloped anteriorly. Opisthosoma pale brown, ovoid, covered with short hairs, lacking distinct pattern. Sternum and legs yellowish. Leg measurements: I 5.39 (1.52, 0.28, 1.58, 1.20, 0.81); II 4.37 (1.28, 0.29, 1.28, 1.01, 0.51); III 3.84 (1.03, 0.25, 0.98, 0.95, 0.63); IV5.15 (1.36, 0.27, 1.50, 1.23, 0.79). Male pedipalp (Figure 52C–D): tibia with 5 slender spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally. Cymbium with an earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus bifurcated, prolateral lobe triangular. Median apophysis tongue shaped in prolateral view. Conductor triangular in ventral view (Figure 52B).

Female (one of the paratypes): similar to male in color and general features, but with a larger body size and shorter legs. Total length 1.95 (Figure 53A–B). Prosoma 0.66 long, 0.53 wide. Opisthosoma 1.06 long, 0.86 wide. Clypeus 0.20 high. Leg measurements: I 4.60 (1.30, 0.27, 1.33, 0.99, 0.71); II 3.86 (1.11, 0.25, 1.01, 0.85, 0.64); III 3.34 (0.95, 0.24, 0.83, 0.76, 0.56); IV 4.54 (1.33, 0.26, 1.25, 1.03, 0.67). Vulva (Figure 53C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Hunan).

Leptonetela kangsa Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 54–55, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Kangsagulie Cave, N26.79°, E108.21°, Datang, Geyi Town, Taijiang County, Kaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 5 December 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 7 males and 6 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. shibingensis* and *L. wuming* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the median apophysis index finger-like in prolaterally view, tip bifurcated (Fig. 54D) (median apophysis small, triangular in






Figure 53 *Leptonetela xinhua* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 54 Leptonetela kangsa sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 55 *Leptonetela kangsa* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

ventral view in *L. shibingensis*; median apophysis like victory gesture, "V" shaped in *L. wuming* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. wuming* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, by the tibia I spine located at the middle of tibia, embolus with 1 basal tooth (tibia I spine located at the base of tibia, embolus without tooth in *L. wuming* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.07 (Figure 54A). Carapace 0.85 long, 0.87 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.92 wide. Carapace yellow. Eyes six, PME reduced to white spots. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.12 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.04 (2.50, 0.37, 2.65, 2.10, 1.42); II 7.43 (2.10, 0.36, 2.05, 1.70, 1.22); III 6.23 (1.77, 0.37, 1.60, 1.47, 1.02); IV 8.09 (2.22, 0.35, 2.27, 2.00, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 54C–D): tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, with I spine strong, located medially. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching an earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, bearing a basal tooth, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis index finger-like in prolateral view, tip bifurcated. Conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 54B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.02 (Figure 55A–B). Carapace 0.72 long, 0.72 wide. Opisthosoma 1.27 long, 1.02 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 7.61 (2.07, 0.35, 2.25, 1.72, 1.22); II 6.23 (1.72, 0.35, 1.72, 1.37, 1.07); III 5.41 (1.62, 0.32, 1.35, 1.22, 0.90); IV 6.92 (1.80, 0.35, 2.00, 1.65, 1.12). Vulva (Figure 55C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela wuming Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 56–57, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Wuming Cave, N25.43°, E105.62°, Dabei Town, Zhenfeng County, Guizhou Province, China, 18 July 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes:** 2 males and 5 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. kangsa* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. shibingensis* but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal bulb embolus without basal tooth (Figure 56B), (embolus with basal tooth in the two species mentioned above); from *L. kangsa* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. shibingensis* by the tibia spine I located at the base of the tibia (Figure 56D) (tibia spine I located medially in *L. kangsa* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. shibingensis*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.50 (Figure 56A). Carapace 0.60 long, 0.45 wide. Opisthosoma 1.10 long, 0.60 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, PLE, PME absent, ALE reduced to white spots. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.09 high. Opisthosoma yellowish, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 11.75 (3.12, 0.35, 3.40, 2.88, 2.00); II 9.35 (2.75, 0.35, 2.48, 2.49, 1.28); III 8.47 (2.80, 0.32, 2.30, 1.96, 1.09); IV 9.81 (2.81, 0.35, 2.72, 2.56, 1.37). Male pedipalp (Figure 56C–D): tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, with spine I strong, longest. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to an earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis like victory gesture, "V" shaped. Conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 56B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 3.02 (Figure 57A–B). Carapace 1.25 long, 0.90 wide. Opisthosoma 2.45 long, 1.38 wide. Clypeus 0.09 high. Leg measurements: I 8.67 (2.44, 0.33, 2.50, 2.01, 1.39); II 7.29 (2.10, 0.33, 2.08, 1.65, 1.13); III 7.22 (2.08, 0.35, 2.03, 1.63, 1.13); IV 7.30 (2.51, 0.33, 1.85, 1.56, 1.05). Vulva (Figure 57C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela shanji Wang & Li Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 58–59, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Shanji Cave, N27.28°, E107.82°, Xiaguihua, Xiaosai Town, Yuqing County, Zunyi City, Guizhou Province, China, 15 August 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes:** 3 males and 3 females, same data as holotype; 2 females, Guanyin Cave, N27.32°, E107.71°, Hongjun, Longxi Town, Yuqing County, Zunyi City, Guizhou Province, China, 15 August 2012, H. Zhao leg; 3 females, Liangfeng Cave, N27.27°, E107.76°, Xiaosai Town, Yuqing County, Zunyi City, Guizhou Province, China, 14 August 2012, H. Zhao leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. digitata* Lin & Li, 2010, *L. hamata* Lin & Li, 2010 and *L. tetracantha* Lin & Li, 2010, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia spine I strong, located medially (Figure 58D) (tibia spine I slender, located at the base of tibia in all above); from *L. hamata* and *L. tetracantha* by the male pediapal tibia spine I asymmetrically bifurcated (Figure 58D) (tibia spine I not bifurcated in *L. hamata*, and *L. tetracantha*); from *L. digitata* by the median apophysis not curved (median apophysis curved in *L. digitata*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.08 (Figure 58A). Carapace 0.90 long, 0.95 wide. Opisthosoma 1.10 long, 0.83 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.54 (2.25, 0.38, 2.50, 2.03, 1.38); II 6.89 (1.88, 0.38, 1.88, 1.60, 1.15); III 5.70 (1.55, 0.35, 1.47, 1.35, 0.98); IV 7.59 (2.03, 0.38, 2.13, 1.88, 1.17). Male pedipalp (Figure 58C–D): tibia with 4 long spines prolaterally, 5 spines retrolaterally, with I spine strong, asymmetrically bifurcated and located at the base of tibia. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to an earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus



Figure 56 Leptonetela wuming sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 57 *Leptonetela wuming* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 58 Leptonetela shanji sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 59 *Leptonetela shanji* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 60 Leptonetela xiaoyan sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Right palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Right palp, retrolateral view; D: Right palp, prolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 61 *Leptonetela xiaoyan* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

triangular, bearing a small basal tooth, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis index finger like in prolateral view, tapering. Conductor bamboo leaf-shaped in ventral view (Figure 58B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.40 (Figure 59A–B). Carapace 0.95 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.38 long, 1.25 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 7.97 (2.13, 0.38, 2.38, 1.75, 1.33); II 6.36 (1.75, 0.35, 1.75, 1.38, 1.13); III 5.31 (1.45, 0.35, 1.38, 1.25, 0.88); IV 7.18 (1.95, 0.38, 2.00, 1.70, 1.15). Vulva (Figure 59C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela xiaoyan Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 60–61, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Gejiaxiaoyan Cave, N27.11°, E105.24°, Shanjiao, Zhuchang Town, Bijie City, Guizhou Province, China, 27 January 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 2 males and 6 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. curvispinosa* Lin & Li, 2010, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 4 large spines prolaterally, 6 large spines retrolaterally (Figure 60D), median apophysis not sclerotized, little finger-shaped in prolateral view, conductor broad C tile-shaped (Figure 60B) (tibia with 3 large spines prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, median apophysis absent, conductor reduced in *L. curvispinosa*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.67 (Figure 60A). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.80 wide. Opisthosoma 1.15 long, 0.75 wide. Carapace yellowish. Six eyes. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.10 high. Opisthosoma yellowish, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.96 (2.84, 0.35, 2.80, 2.40, 1.57); II 7.09 (2.02, 0.32, 2.00, 1.60, 1.15); III 6.38 (1.77, 0.32, 1.82, 1.47, 1.00); IV 7.89 (2.25, 0.35, 2.27, 1.85, 1.17). Male pedipalp (Figure 60C–D): tibia with 4 spines prolaterally and 6 spines retrolaterally, with I spine longest. Cymbium not constricted, prolaterally with one curved spine on the base. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis slightly sclerotized, fingerlike in prolateral view. Conductor broad, C tile-shaped in ventral view (Figure 60B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.12 (Figure 61A–B). Carapace 0.82 long, 0.82 wide. Opisthosoma 1.47 long, 1.12 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 9.79 (2.62, 0.35, 3.03, 2.22, 1.57); II 6.84 (1.90, 0.30, 1.97, 1.47, 1.20); III 5.53 (1.52, 0.32, 1.52, 1.27, 0.90); IV 7.36 (2.07, 0.35, 1.97, 1.72, 1.25). Vulva (Figure 61C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular, anterior margin of atrium covered with short hairs.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela huoyan Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 62–63, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Heyuantou nameless Cave, N29.25°, E109.35°, Huoyan Street, Guitang Dam Town, Longshan County, Hubei Province, China, 15 January 2014, Y. Li & Y. Lin leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 2 females, same data as holotype; 1 male and 4 females, nameless Cave, N29.61°, E109.17° Jieping, Xianfeng County, Enshi Tujia and Miao Autonomous Prefecture, Hubei Province, China, 17 January 2014, Y. Li & Y. Lin leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. anshun* Lin & Li, 2010 and *L. chenjia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by on the male pedipalpal bulb median apophysis slightly sclerotized, index finger like, conductor broad, semicircular (Fig 62B) (median apophysis absent in *L. anshun*, and *L. chenjia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; tip of conductor bifurcated in *L. anshun*, conductor reduced in *L. chenjia* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. anshun* by the tibia spine I slender (Figure 62D) (tibia spine I strong, tip bifurcated in *L. anshun*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.25 (Figure 62A). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.83 wide. Opisthosoma 1.50 long, 0.92 wide. Carapace yellow. Eye absent. Median groove, cervical groove and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.90 (2.53, 0.40, 2.57, 2.00, 1.40); II 7.69 (2.38, 0.40, 2.13, 1.65, 1.13); III 6.51 (2.00, 0.38, 1.75, 1.50, 0.88); IV 7.73 (2.25, 0.40, 2.15, 1.78, 1.15). Male pedipalp (Figure 62C–D): tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 1 long seta and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest, distant from others, the rest of the spines concentrated distally. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to an earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe absent. Median apophysis slightly sclerotized, index finger like. Conductor broad, semicircular in ventral view (Figure 62B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.53 (Figure 63A–B). Carapace 0.93 long, 0.82 wide. Opisthosoma 1.63 long, 1.38 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 8.26 (2.38, 0.38, 2.32, 1.88, 1.30); II 7.28 (2.05, 0.35, 2.00, 1.63, 1.25); III 6.47 (1.93, 0.35, 1.62, 1.47, 1.10); IV 7.54 (2.20, 0.38, 2.08, 1.75, 1.13). Vulva (Figure 63C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Hubei).

Leptonetela liuguan Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 64–65, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Liuguan Cave, N26.15°, E106.46°, Mengqiu, Baiyunshan Town, Changshun County, Guizhou Province, China, 23 December 2010, Z. Zha & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 2 female, same data as holotype; 1



Figure 62 Leptonetela huoyan sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 63 *Leptonetela huoyan* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 64 Leptonetela liuguan sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 65 *Leptonetela liuguan* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

male, Fenghuang Cave, N26.09°, E106.39°, Shenglian, Zhonghuo Town, Changshun County, Guizhou Province, China, 23 December 2010, Z. Zha & Z. Chen leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. penevi* Wang & Li, 2016 and *L. changtu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by on the male pedipalpal bulb median apophysis long, and half the length of bulb (Figure 64B) (median apophysis short, 1/5 the length of bulb in *L. palmate*, and *L. changtu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); male pedipalpal tibia spines slender, equally strong (Figure 64D) (tibia spines I II equally strong, stronger than other spines in *L. penevi*, tibia spines I II III equally strong, stronger than other spines in *L. changtu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.88 (Figure 64A). Carapace 0.73 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.10 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellowish. Eyes absent. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.93 (2.38, 0.40, 2.64, 2.13, 1.38); II 7.84 (2.13, 0.40, 2.23, 1.78, 1.30); III 6.56 (1.75, 0.38, 1.80, 1.63, 1.00); IV 8.04 (2.25, 0.40, 2.18, 1.88, 1.33). Male pedipalp (Figure 64C–D): tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, the spines slim equally strong. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe absent. Teeth of median apophysis reduced to sclerotized spots, conductor and median apophysis long, equal length and half the length of bulb (Figure 64C).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.08 (Figure 65A–B). Carapace 0.75 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.50 long, 0.88 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 7.81 (2.13, 0.38, 2.30, 1.75, 1.25); II 6.89 (1.88, 0.38, 2.00, 1.50, 1.13); III 5.97 (1.70, 0.38, 1.63, 1.38, 0.88); IV 7.27 (2.03, 0.38, 2.05, 1.63, 1.18). Vulva (Figure 65C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform, anterior margin of atrium undulate.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela nanmu Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 66–67, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Nanmu Cave, N28.10°, E110.08°, Pushi Town, Luxi County, Hunan Province, China, 5 April 2016, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 3 males and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. tianxingensis*, but can be distinguished by on the male pedipalpal bulb conductor longer than median apophysis (Figure 66B) (conductor shorter than median apophysis in *L. tianxingensis*); male pedipalpal

tibia III spine strong (Figure 66D) (tibia III spine slender in *L. tianxingensis*).

Description. Male (holotype): total length 1.70 (Figure 66A). Prosoma 0.81 long, 0.63 wide. Opisthosoma 0.94 long, 0.70 wide. Prosoma yellow. Six eyes, with a pair of setae on ocular area. Median groove needle-shaped, brown. Cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.14 high, slightly sloped anteriorly. Opisthosoma pale brown, ovoid, covered with short hairs, lacking distinctive pattern. Sternum and legs yellowish. Leg measurements: I 5.45 (1.42, 0.26, 1.62, 1.27, 0.88); II 4.76 (1.24, 0.25, 1.20, 1.27, 0.80); III 4.12 (1.03, 0.23, 1.02, 0.95, 0.89); IV 5.60 (1.36, 0.22, 1.48, 1.27, 1.27). Male pedipalp (Figure 66C–D): tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, with I spine strongest, tip bifurcated, spine II slender, spine III strong. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis slightly sclerotized, thumb-shaped in ventral view. Conductor triangular, longer than median apophysis (Figure 66B).

Female (one of the paratypes): similar to male in color and general features, but with a larger body size and longer legs. Total length 1.98 (Figure 67A–B). Prosoma 0.88 long, 0.79 wide. Opisthosoma 1.12 long, 1.03 wide. Clypeus 0.20 high. Leg measurements: I 5.63 (1.52, 0.28, 1.68, 1.30, 0.85); II 4.86 (1.44, 0.27, 1.33, 0.86, 0.96); III 4.21 (1.31, 0.21, 1.06, 0.99, 0.64); IV 5.23 (1.47, 0.25, 1.50, 1.20, 0.81). Vulva (Figure 67C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Hunan).

Leptonetela changtu Wang & Li sp. nov. Figure 68–69, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Changtu Cave, N27.14°, E105.43°, Honglin, Qianxi Town, Bijie County, Guizhou Province, China, 23 November 2011, Z. Zha & Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 10 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. penevi* Wang & Li, 2016 and *L. liuguan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia spines I, II, III equally strong, stronger than other two spines (Figure 68C) (tibia spines I and II equally strong, stronger than other spines in *L. penevi*, tibial spines slender, equally strong in *L. liuguan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. liuguan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by median apophysis short, 1/5 the length of bulb (Figure 68B) (median apophysis long, half the length of bulb in *L. liuguan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. penevi* by the cymbium not constricted (cymbium constricted medially in *L. penevi*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.33 (Figure 68A). Carapace 1.06 long, 1.03 wide. Opisthosoma 1.38 long, 1.08 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves



Figure 66 Leptonetela nanmu sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 67 *Leptonetela nanmu* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 68 Leptonetela changtu sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Right palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Right palp, retrolateral view; D: Right palp, prolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 69 *Leptonetela changtu* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.14 high. Opisthosoma pale yellow, ovoid, with brown spots. Leg measurements: I 10.02 (2.69, 0.39, 2.91, 2.38, 1.65); II 8.75 (2.37, 0.38, 2.49, 2.08, 1.43); III 7.53 (2.15, 0.38, 1.98, 1.77, 1.25); IV 9.20 (2.56, 0.38, 2.50, 2.26, 1.50). Male pedipalp (Figure 68C–D): tibia with 5 large spines retrolaterally, tibia spine I longest, spines I and II equally strong, stronger than others. Cymbium not constricted. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis palm-shaped, teeth of median apophysis reduced to sclerotized spots. Conductor semicircular (Figure 68B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.70 (Figure 69A–B). Carapace 1.10 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.72 long, 1.48 wide. Clypeus 0.20 high. Leg measurements: I 9.10 (2.54, 0.43, 2.66, 1.98, 1.49); II 7.73 (2.21, 0.41, 2.21, 1.67, 1.23); III 6.85 (1.99, 0.40, 1.88, 1.50, 1.08); IV 8.22 (2.38, 0.41, 2.28, 1.88, 1.27). Vulva (Figure 69C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela lianhua Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 70–71, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Lianhua Cave, N25.48°, E114.09°, Niedou Town, Chongyi County, Jiangxi Province, China, 24 April 2013, Y. Luo & J. Liu leg. **Paratypes:** 3 males and 10 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. niubizi* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, with I spine strongest, tip bifurcated, the other 4 spines slender, 2 of them longer than I spine (Figure 70D); tip of median apophysis with 5 small teeth, and 1 ox horn-shaped large teeth (Figure 70B) (tibia with 5 slender spines retrolaterally, spine I longest, not bifurcated, median apophysis antler-like, tip with 7 small teeth in *L. niubizi* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.00 (Figure 70A). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.70 wide. Opisthosoma 1.00 long, 0.87 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma brown, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.69 (2.62, 0.25, 3.20, 2.37, 1.25); II 7.05 (2.00, 0.25, 2.10, 1.70, 1.00); III 5.70 (1.62, 0.22, 1.62, 1.37, 0.87); IV 7.45 (2.10, 0.25, 2.25, 1.75, 1.10). Male pedipalp (Figure 70C–D): tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip bifurcated, and the other 4 spines slender, 2 of them longer than spine I. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to an earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe absent. Tip of median apophysis with 5 small teeth, and 1 horn-shaped

large teeth. Conductor broad C tile-shaped in ventral view (Figure 70B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.25 (Figure 71A–B). Carapace 1.25 long, 0.95 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.75 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 8.02 (2.12, 0.30, 2.50, 1.75, 1.35); II 6.02 (1.65, 0.25, 1.75, 1.37, 1.00); III 5.07 (1.35, 0.27, 1.50, 1.20, 0.75); IV 6.85 (2.00, 0.30, 1.95, 1.50, 1.10). Vulva (Figure 71C): spermathecae slender, coiled and atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Jiangxi).

Leptonetela niubizi Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 72–73, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Niubizi Cave, N27.62°, E106.67°, Leshan Town, Zunyi County, Zunyi City, Guizhou Province, China, 1 August 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes:** 7 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun. **Diagnosis.** This new species is similar to *L. lianhua* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the male pedipalp tibia with 5 slender spines retrolaterally, spine I longest, not bifurcated (Figure 72C), median apophysis antler-like, distal edge with 7 small teeth (Figure 72B) (tibia with 5 spines retrolateral, spine I strongest, tip bifurcated, the other 4 spines slender, 2 of them longer than spine I; tip of median apophysis decorated with 5 small teeth, and 1 horn-shaped large teeth in *L. lianhua* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.53 (Figure 72A). Carapace 0.95 long, 0.83 wide. Opisthosoma 1.58 long, 1.13 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.15 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.29 (2.56, 0.38, 2.63, 2.19, 1.53); II 8.63 (2.50, 0.38, 2.34, 2.03, 1.38); III 6.94 (2.03, 0.31, 1.47, 1.75, 1.38); IV - (2.55, 0.38, -, -, -). Male pedipalp (Figure 72C–D): tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 2 long setae and 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching a small earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis antler-like, distal edge decorated with 7 small teeth. Conductor short, C tile-shaped (Figure 72B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but with a larger body size and shorter legs. Total length 2.60 (Figure 73A–B). Carapace 0.96 long, 0.95 wide. Opisthosoma 1.60 long, 1.25 wide. Clypeus 0.19 high. Leg measurements: I 8.20 (2.34, 0.34, 2.44, 1.75, 1.33); II 7.46 (2.25, 0.38, 1.88, 1.65, 1.30); III 6.08 (2.05, 0.30, 1.08, 1.55, 1.10); IV 8.27 (2.38, 0.38, 2.25, 1.88, 1.38). Vulva (Figure 73C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).



Figure 70 Leptonetela lianhua sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 71 *Leptonetela lianhua* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 72 Leptonetela niubizi sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Right palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Right palp, retrolateral view; D: Right palp, prolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 73 *Leptonetela niubizi* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 74 Leptonetela longyu sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 75 *Leptonetela longyu* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

Leptonetela longyu Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 74–75, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Longyu Cave, N29.40°, E110.09°, Cili County, Hunan Province, China, 5 June 2011, Z. Zha leg. **Paratypes:** 4 males and 5 females, same data as holotype, 5 males and 6 females, Niuerduo Cave, N29.404°, E110.73°, Cili County, Hunan Province, China, 9 April 2016, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. sexdentata* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** *and L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by median apophysis harrow-like, tip with 5 small teeth (Figure 74B) (tip of median apophysis with 6 small teeth in *L. sexdentata* and *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, 5 sharp teeth in *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, 5 sharp teeth in *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, 10 in *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the tip of conductor undulate (Figure 74B) (tip of conductor smooth in *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the teeth of median apophysis needle-shaped in *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; from *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the tibia spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated (tibia spine II strongest in *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.63 (Figure 74A). Carapace 1.05 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 0.88 long, 0.63 wide. Carapace yellow. Eyes six. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 6.28 (1.63, 0.25, 1.85, 1.55, 1.00); II 4.89 (1.25, 0.25, 1.38, 1.13, 0.88); III 4.13 (1.10, 0.23, 1.05, 1.00, 0.75); IV 5.63 (1.55, 0.25, 1.50, 1.38, 0.95). Male pedipalp (Figure 74C–D): tibia with 2 spines prolaterally and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching a small earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis short, palm-shaped, distal edge with 5 small teeth. Conductor C tile-shaped in ventral view, tip of conductor undulate (Figure 74B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with longer legs. Total length 2.05 (Figure 75A–B). Carapace 0.90 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.13 long, 0.88 wide. Clypeus 0.12 high. Leg measurements: I 6.28 (1.75, 0.25, 1.88, 1.40, 1.00); II 4.94 (1.30, 0.25, 1.38, 1.13, 0.88); III 4.41 (1.25, 0.23, 1.13, 1.05, 0.75); IV 5.58 (1.60, 0.25, 1.50, 1.35, 0.88). Vulva (Figure 75C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Hunan).

Leptonetela shicheng Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 76–77, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Shicheng Cave, N27.31°,

E109.07°, Jiangwu, Shanshi Town, Lianhua County, Pingxiang City, Jiangxi Province, China, 14 November 2015, Z. Chen & G. Zhou leg. **Paratypes:** 2 males and 5 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. sexdentata* Wang & Li, 2011, *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the harrow-like median apophysis, with 10 small teeth distally (Figure 76B) (median apophysis with 6 small teeth distally in *L. sexdentata* and *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, 5 in *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, 5 in *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); conductor smooth (Figure 76B) (conductor undulate distally in *L. sexdentata*, *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the teeth of median apophysis needle-shaped in *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the tibia spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated (Figure 76D) (tibia spine II strongest in *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.40 (Figure 76A). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.73 wide. Opisthosoma 1.12 long, 0.87 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.08 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.60 (2.60, 0.37, 2.50, 2.48, 1.65); II 7.90 (2.25, 0.30, 2.25, 2.00, 1.40); III 6.87 (1.75, 0.25, 1.87, 1.75, 1.25); IV 8.92 (2.37, 0.30, 2.50, 2.25, 1.50). Male pedipalp (Figure 76C–D): tibia with 2 long setae prolaterally, and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated. Cymbium constricted medially, attaching a small earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis harrow-like, with 10 small teeth distally. Conductor smooth, C tile-shape in ventral view (Figure 76B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.60 (Figure 77A–B). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.85 wide. Opisthosoma 1.75 long, 1.25 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 8.94 (2.60, 0.37, 2.50, 2.10, 1.37); II 7.10 (2.00, 0.30, 2.00, 1.65, 1.15); III 5.97 (1.75, 0.25, 1.60, 1.50, 0.87); IV 7.97 (2.12, 0.35, 2.25, 2.00, 1.25). Vulva (Figure 77C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Jiangxi).

Leptonetela zakou Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 78–79, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Zakou Cave, N29.35°, E109.58°, Hongyanxi Town, longshan City, Hunan Province, China, 10 January 2016, Z. Chen & Z. Wang leg. **Paratypes:** 3 males and 5 females, same data as holotype.



Figure 76 Leptonetela shicheng sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 77 *Leptonetela shicheng* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 78 Leptonetela zakou sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 79 *Leptonetela zakou* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. sexdentata* Wang & Li, 2011, *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by on the male pedipalpal bulb median apophysis with 6 teeth, needle-shaped (Figure 78B) (median apophysis with 5 small teeth distally in *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, 5 sharp teeth in *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and 10 in *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**,); from *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, by the distally undulate conductor (Figure 78B) (conductor smooth in *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. meiwang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.75 (Figure 78A). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.87 wide. Opisthosoma 1.00 long, 0.87 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.08 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 7.62 (2.00, 0.25, 2.37, 1.75, 1.25); II 5.62 (1.50, 0.25, 1.62, 1.25, 1.00); III 4.57 (1.25, 0.20, 1.30, 1.12, 0.70); IV 6.47 (1.87, 0.25, 1.75, 1.50, 1.10). Male pedipalp (Figure 78C–D): tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated. Cymbium not constricted, earlobe-shaped process absent. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe absent. Median apophysis with 6 needle-shaped teeth distally. Conductor C tile-shape in ventral view (Figure 78B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 1.70 (Figure 79A–B). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.80 wide. Opisthosoma 1.27 long, 0.75 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 6.49 (1.75, 0.25, 1.72, 1.50, 1.27); II 4.69 (1.37, 0.25, 1.27, 1.00, 0.80); III 3.74 (1.12, 0.20, 1.00, 0.80, 0.62); IV 5.30 (1.50, 0.25, 1.50, 1.30, 0.75). Vulva (Figure 79C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform, anterior margin of atrium with one mastoid process medially.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela meiwang Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 80–81, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Meiwang Cave, N28.09°, E111.43°, Nanhua, Zhenshang Town, Lodi County, HuNan Province, China, 27 March 2016, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 1 female, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. sexdentata* Wang & Li, 2011, *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by the harrow-like median apophysis, with 5

sharp teeth distally (Figure 80B), tibia II spine strongest (Figure 80C) (tibia spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated, median apophysis with 6 small teeth distally in *L. sexdentata* and *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, 5 in *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, and 10 in *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, conductor short, reduced (Figure 80B) (conductor broad, C shape in *L. sexdentata*, *L. longyu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, *L. shicheng* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, from *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, from *L. zakou* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, shicheng Wang & Li **sp. nov.** shicheng Wang & Li **sp. nov.**

Description. Male (holotype): total length 1.75 (Figure 80A). Prosoma 0.70 long, 0.62 wide. Opisthosoma 1.20 long, 0.70 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove needle shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.08 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 9.8 (2.50, 0.37, 2.81, 2.50, 1.62); II 8.44 (2.30, 0.35, 2.30, 2.12, 1.37); III 7.77 (2.25, 0.30, 2.12, 2.10, 1.00); IV 9.61 (2.50, 0.37, 2.50, 2.37, 1.87). Male pedipalp (Figure 80C–D): tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine II strongest. Cymbium constricted at middle, earlobe-shaped process absent. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis with 5 sharp teeth distally. Conductor short, reduced (Figure 80B).

Female. Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 1.75 (Figure 81A–B). Prosoma 0.75 long, 0.62 wide. Opisthosoma 1.00 long, 0.75 wide. Clypeus 0.20 high. Leg measurements: I 8.13 (2.37, 0.34, 2.30, 1.75, 1.37); II 7.54 (2.25, 0.34, 2.00, 1.70, 1.25); III 6.62 (1.87, 0.30, 1.75, 1.50, 1.20); IV - (2.30, 0.34, -, -, -). Vulva (Figure 81C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Hunan).

Leptonetela tawo Wang & Li sp. nov. Figure 82–83, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Xianren Cave, N29.18°, E109.95°, Xianren, Tawo Town, Yongshun County, Hunan Province, China, 14 January 2016, Z. Chen & Z. Wang leg. **Paratypes:** 2 males and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. arvanitidisi* Wang & Li, 2016, *L. paragamiani* Wang & Li, 2016 and *L. erlong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by on the male pedipalpal bulb median apophysis with 4 teeth distally (Figure 82B) (median apophysis with 6 teeth distally in *L. arvanitidisi*, 3 teeth in *L. paragamiani* and 5 teeth in *L. erlong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); tibia spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated, spines II, III equally strong, stronger than other 2 (Figure 82C) (tibia II–V spines slender, curved, and equally strong in *L. arvanitidisi* and *L. erlong* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, tibia III–V spines equally strong, slender than II spine in *L. paragamiani*); from *L. arvanitidisi* by



Figure 80 Leptonetela meiwang sp. nov., holotype male







Figure 82 Leptonetela tawo sp. nov., holotype male


Figure 83 *Leptonetela tawo* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

the conductor C tile-shaped (Figure 82B) (conductor triangular in *L. arvanitidisi*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 1.90 (Figure 82A). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.87 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.08 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 7.69 (2.00, 0.35, 2.37, 1.72, 1.25); II 5.95 (1.75, 0.30, 1.55, 1.35, 1.00); III 4.60 (1.25, 0.25, 1.15, 1.10, 0.85); IV 7.15 (1.85, 0.30, 2.25, 1.60, 1.15). Male pedipalp (Figure 82C–D): tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated, tibia spines II, III equally strong, stronger than other 2. Cymbium not constricted, earlobe-shaped process absent. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis with 4 teeth distally. Conductor C tile-shaped in ventral view (Figure 82B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.00 (Figure 83A–B). Carapace 0.87 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.12 long, 1.00 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 5.84 (1.62, 0.35, 1.62, 1.25, 1.00); II 4.55 (1.25, 0.35, 1.20, 1.00, 0.75); III 3.62 (1.00, 0.30, 0.87, 0.85, 0.60); IV 5.42 (1.75, 0.35, 1.37, 1.10, 0.85). Vulva (Figure 83C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela erlong Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 84–85, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Erlong Cave, N27.82°, E110.23°, Siqian Town, Chenxi County, Huaihua City, Hunan Province, China, 19 March 2016, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 4 males and 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. arvanitidisi* Wang & Li, 2016, *L. paragamiani* Wang & Li, 2016 and *L. tawo* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** but can be distinguished by on the male pedipalpal bulb median apophysis with 5 teeth distally (Figure 84B) (median apophysis with 6 teeth in *L. arvanitidisi*, 4 teeth in *L. tawo* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** and 3 teeth *L. paragamiani*); from *L. paragamiani* and *L. tawo* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the tibia spines II–V slender, curved, and equally strong (Figure 84D) (tibia spines II, III equally strong, stronger than other 2 in *L. tawo* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, spines III–V equally strong, more slender than spine II in *L. paragamiani*); from *L. arvanitidisi* by the conductor C tile-shaped (Figure 84B) (conductor triangular in *L. arvanitidisi*).

Description. Male (holotype): total length 1.95 (Figure 84A). Prosoma 0.50 long, 0.80 wide. Opisthosoma 1.45 long, 1.00 wide. Prosoma yellowish. Eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, brown. Cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high, slightly sloped anteriorly. Opisthosoma pale brown, ovoid, covered with short hairs, lacking distinct pattern. Sternum and legs yellowish. Leg measurements: I 6.81 (2.35, 0.35, 1.87, 1.37, 0.87); II 5.82 (2.25, 0.35, 1.35, 1.07, 0.80); III 5.22 (2.20, 0.30, 1.00, 0.97, 0.75); IV 6.30 (2.30, 0.35, 1.50, 1.30, 0.85). Male pedipalp (Figure 84C–D): tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, tip asymmetrically bifurcated, tibia spines II–V slender, curved, and equally strong. Cymbium constricted medially, earlobe-shaped process small. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis with 5 teeth distally. Conductor C tile-shaped in ventral view (Figure 84B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.30 (Figure 85A–B). Prosoma 0.85 long, 0.95 wide. Opisthosoma 0.87 long, 0.70 wide. Clypeus 0.20 high. Leg measurements: I 8.60 (2.50, 0.35, 2.20, 1.80, 1.75); II 7.65 (2.35, 0.30, 1.95, 1.70, 1.35); III 6.30 (2.15, 0.25, 2.05, 1.15, 0.70); IV 7.85 (2.25, 0.30, 2.05, 1.75, 1.50). Vulva (Figure 85C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Hunan).

Leptonetela dabian Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 86–87, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Wuming Cave, N25.75°, E107.92°, Dabian, Sandong Town, Sandu County, Qiannan Prefecture, Guizhou, China, 22 March 2013, H. Zhao & J. Liu leg. **Paratypes:** 2 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. thracia* Wang & Li, 2011 and *L. chuan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be distinguished by the male pedipalal tibia with 3 spines prolaterally, 5 slender spines, retrolaterally (Figure 86C–D) (tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, spines I, II equally strong, stronger than others in *L. thracia*; tibia with 7 long setae prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, spines I, II equally strong, stronger than others in *L. thracia*; tibia with 7 long setae prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, spines I, II, III equally strong, stronger than others in *L. chuan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); tip of median apophysis bent upwards, with 3 larger teeth distally (Figure 86B) (tip of median apophysis bent downwards, with 5 larger teeth distally in *L. chuan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**; tip of median apophysis not bent, with 4 teeth distally in *L. thracia*; conductor thin, tongue shaped (Figure 86B) (conductor triangular in *L. thracia* and *L. chuan* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.38 (Figure 86A). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.80 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.90 wide. Carapace yellow. Six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid, with pigmented spots. Leg measurements: I - (2.60, 0.38, 2.35, -, -); II 7.78 (2.15, 0.38, 2.25, 1.75, 1.25); III - (1.88, 0.35, 1.75, -, -); IV 8.26 (2.25, 0.38, 2.38, 2.00, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 86C–D): tibia with 3 slender spines prolaterally, 5 large retrolateral spines equally strong.



Figure 84 Leptonetela erlong sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 85 *Leptonetela erlong* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 86 Leptonetela dabian sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 87 *Leptonetela dabian* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 88 Leptonetela chuan sp. nov., holotype male A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Palpal bulb, ventral view; C: Palp, prolateral view; D: Palp, retrolateral view. PL: prolateral lobe; E: embolus; C: conductor; MA: median apophysis.



Figure 89 *Leptonetela chuan* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

Cymbium constricted medially, attaching a small earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Tip of median apophysis bent upward, distal edge decorated with three small teeth. Conductor thin, tongue-shaped (Figure 86B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.40 (Figure 87A–B). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 1.00 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 9.51 (2.50, 0.38, 3.00, 2.13, 1.50); II 7.38 (2.00, 0.38, 2.13, 1.62, 1.25); III 6.35 (1.75, 0.35, 1.75, 1.50, 1.00); IV 8.06 (2.25, 0.38, 2.30, 1.88, 1.25). Vulva (Figure 87C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular, and anterior margin of atrium with short hairs.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela chuan Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 88–89, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Chuan Cave, N27.08°, E105.67°, Yangchangba Town, Dafang County, Guizhou Province, China, 13 March 2011, H. Chen & Z. Zha leg. **Paratype:** 1 female, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to L. thracia Wang & Li, 2011 and L. dabian Wang & Li sp. nov., but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 7 long setae prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spines I, II, III equally strong, stronger than others (Figure 88D) (tibia with 4 long setae prolaterally, 5 slender spines retrolaterally, with spines I, II equally strong, stronger than others in L. thracia; 3 slender spines prolaterally, 5 slender retrolaterally spines equally strong in L. dabian Wang & Li sp. nov.); tip of median apophysis bent downwards, with 5 larger teeth distally (Figure 88B) (tip of median apophysis not bent, with 4 teeth distally in L. thracia; tip of median apophysis bent upwards, with 3 larger teeth distally in L. dabian Wang & Li sp. nov.); from L. dabian Wang & Li sp. nov. by the triangular conductor (Figure 88B) (conductor thin, tongue-shaped in L. dabian Wang & Li sp. nov.).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.10 (Figure 88A). Carapace 0.83 long, 0.90 wide. Opisthosoma 1.18 long, 1.05 wide. Carapace whitish. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.79 (2.38, 0.38, 2.50, 2.13, 1.40); II 7.77 (2.13, 0.38, 2.18, 1.78, 1.30); III 7.51 (1.78, 0.35, 2.10, 1.73, 1.55); IV 8.36 (2.25, 0.38, 2.38, 2.00, 1.35). Male pedipalp (Figure 88C–D): tibia with 7 long setae prolaterally, 5 large spines retrolaterally, with spines I, II, III equally strong, stronger than others. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to a small earlobe- shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis bent downwards, with 5 larger teeth distally. Conductor

triangular in ventral view (Figure 88B).

Female: Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 2.08 (Figure 89A–B). Carapace 0.78 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.33 long, 1.03 wide. Clypeus 0.15 high. Leg measurements: I 8.31 (2.33, 0.38, 2.40, 1.85, 1.35); II 7.21 (2.10, 0.35, 2.08, 1.58, 1.10); III 6.92 (1.93, 0.35, 1.88, 1.63, 1.13); IV 8.14 (2.30, 0.38, 2.38, 1.83, 1.25). Vulva (Figure 89C): spermathecae loosely coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela lihu Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 90–91, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), nameless Cave, N25.10°, E107.65°, Lihu Town, Nandan County, Hechi City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 31 January 2015, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 2 males and 5 females, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun. **Diagnosis.** This new species is similar to *L. notabilis* (Lin & Li, 2010), *L. sexdigiti* (Lin & Li, 2010); and *L. shuang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be separated from *L. notabilis* by the male pedipalpal tibia spine I bifurcate (Figure 90D) (tibia spine I trifurcate in *L. notabilis*); from *L. shuang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the conductor C tile-shaped, distal edge of median apophysis with 6 teeth (Figure 90B) (conductor triangular, distal edge of median apophysis with 7 teeth in *L. shuang* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. sexdigiti* by the strongly twisted spermathecae (spermathecae loosely twisted in *L. sexdigiti*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.13 (Figure 90A). Carapace 1.00 long, 0.88 wide. Opisthosoma 1.12 long, 0.75 wide. Carapace yellowish. Ocular area with 3 long setae, six eyes, reduced to white spots. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows distinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 8.23 (2.25, 0.25, 2.38, 1.95, 1.40); II 7.00 (2.00, 0.25, 2.00, 1.63, 1.12); III 6.10 (1.75, 0.20, 1.75, 1.45, 0.95); IV 7.75 (2.10, 0.25, 2.25, 1.90, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 90C–D): basal part of tibia swollen, tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, longest, bifurcate and located at the base of tibia. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to a small earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis long and thin, with 6 small teeth distally. Conductor broad, C tile-shaped in ventral view (Figure 90B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.50 (Figure 91A–B). Carapace 1.25 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.40 long, 1.00 wide. Clypeus 0.12 high. Leg measurements: I 8.00 (2.25, 0.25, 2.38, 1.75, 1.37); II 7.00 (2.00, 0.25, 2.00, 1.50, 1.25); III 5.65 (1.75, 0.20, 1.65, 1.15, 0.90); IV 7.70 (2.10, 0.25, 2.25, 1.90, 1.20). Vulva (Figure 91C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.



Figure 90 Leptonetela lihu sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 91 *Leptonetela lihu* sp. nov., one of the paratype females A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 92 Leptonetela shuang sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 93 *Leptonetela shuang* **sp. nov., one of the paratype females** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.

Distribution. China (Guangxi).

Leptonetela shuang Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 92–93, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Shuang Cave, N25.93°, E107.26°, Bailong Town, Pingtang County, Qiannan Prefecture, Guizhou Province, China, 24 July 2012, H. Zhao leg. **Paratypes:** 2 females, same data as holotype; 2 males and 6 females, Dongkou Cave, N25.93°, E107.25°, Longxiang, Bailong Town, Pingtang County, Qiannan Prefecture, Guizhou Province, China, 25 July 2012, H. Zhao leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. notabilis* (Lin & Li, 2010), *L. sexdigiti* (Lin & Li, 2010), and *L. lihu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**, but can be separated from *L. notabilis* by the male pedipalp tibia spine I bifurcate (Figure 92D) (tibia spine I trifurcate in *L. notabilis*); from *L. sexdigiti* and *L. lihu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.** by the conductor triangular, distal edge of median apophysis with 7 teeth (Figure 92B) (conductor C tile-shaped, distal edge of median apophysis with 6 teeth in *L. sexdigiti* and *L. lihu* Wang & Li **sp. nov.**); from *L. sexdigiti* by in the female spermathecae strongly twisted (Figure 93C) (spermathecae loosely twisted in *L. sexdigiti*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.00 (Figure 92A). Carapace 0.83 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.80 wide. Carapace yellow. Ocular area with a pair of setae, eyes absent. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.13 high. Opisthosoma whitish, ovoid. Leg measurements: I 7.74 (2.03, 0.38, 2.25, 1.80, 1.28); II 6.65 (1.77, 0.35, 1.83, 1.50, 1.20); III 5.68 (1.57, 0.35, 1.50, 1.28, 0.98); IV 7.38 (1.92, 0.38, 2.05, 1.78, 1.25). Male pedipalp (Figure 92C–D): basal of tibia swollen, tibia with 3 long setae prolaterally, 1 long setae and 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I strongest, longest, bifurcate and located at the base of the tibia. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to a small earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe oval. Median apophysis long and thin, with 7 small teeth distally. Conductor triangular (Figure 92B).

Female (one of the paratypes). Similar to male in color and general features, but smaller and with shorter legs. Total length 1.98 (Figure 93A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.13 long, 0.88 wide. Clypeus 0.13 high. Leg measurements: I 7.34 (1.93, 0.38, 2.13, 1.65, 1.25); II 6.41 (1.75, 0.35, 1.78, 1.50, 1.03); III 5.50 (1.52, 0.35, 1.45, 1.30, 0.88); IV 7.03 (1.87, 0.38, 2.05, 1.63, 1.10). Vulva (Figure 93C): spermathecae coiled, atrium triangular.

Distribution. China (Guizhou).

Leptonetela encun Wang & Li sp. nov. Figures 94–95, 97

Type material. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Encun Cave, N25.08°,

E107.59°, En, Chengguan Town, Nandan County, Hechi City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 30 January 2015, Y. Li & Z. Chen leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 1 female, same data as holotype.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Diagnosis. This new species is similar to *L. robustispina* (Chen et al., 2010) but can be distinguished by the male pedipalpal tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest, spines I, II, III equally strong, stronger than others (Figure 94D), distal edge of median apophysis linear, with 8 teeth (Figure 94B) (tibia with 5 spines retrolaterally, with spine I longest, distal edge of median apophysis semicircular, with 12 teeth in *L. robustispina*).

Description. Male (holotype). Total length 2.00 (Figure 94A). Carapace 0.90 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.25 long, 0.88 wide. Carapace yellowish, with one seta on the median part. Six eyes. Median groove needle-shaped, cervical grooves and radial furrows indistinct. Clypeus 0.10 high. Opisthosoma gray, ovoid. Leg measurements: I - (1.88, -, -, -, -); II 6.25 (1.75, 0.25, 1.87, 1.38, 1.00); III 4.96 (1.38, 0.20, 1.38, 1.20, 0.80); IV 6.86 (2.00, 0.25, 1.88, 1.63, 1.10). Male pedipalp (Figure 94C–D): tibia with a few clusters of short spines dorsally, 8 long setae retrolaterally, and 5 spines retrolaterally, spine I longest. Cymbium constricted medially, attached to a small earlobe-shaped process retrolaterally. Embolus triangular, prolateral lobe indistinct. Median apophysis harrow-like, distal edge round, with 8 small teeth. Conductor triangular in ventral view (Figure 94B).

Female: Similar to male in color and general features, but larger and with shorter legs. Total length 2.13 (Figure 95A–B). Carapace 0.88 long, 0.75 wide. Opisthosoma 1.00 long, 1.05 wide. Clypeus 0.11 high. Leg measurements: I 6.50 (1.75, 0.25, 2.00, 1.50, 1.00); II 5.01 (1.38, 0.25, 1.50, 1.13, 0.75); III 4.45 (1.25, 0.20, 1.25, 1.00, 0.75); IV 5.52 (1.50, 0.25, 1.62, 1.25, 0.90). Vulva (Figure 95C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform.

Distribution. China (Guangxi).

Leptonetela zhai Wang & Li, 2011 Figures 96–97

Leptonetela zhai Wang & Li, 2011: 17, Figures 69A–D, 70A–B, 71C–D.

Material examined. 4 females (IZCAS), Rudong Cave, N25.57°, E110.62°, Longpan Mountain, Dongtian, Hucheng Town, Xing'an County, Guilin City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China, 08 November 2012, Z. Chen & Z. Zhao leg.

Description. Male. See Wang & Li (2011).



Figure 94 Leptonetela encun sp. nov., holotype male



Figure 95 *Leptonetela encun* **sp. nov., paratype female** A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 96 *Leptonetela zhai* Wang & Li, 2011, one female from the type locality A: Habitus, dorsal view; B: Habitus, ventral view; C: Spermathecae, dorsal view. At: atrium; SS: spermathecae stalk; SH: spermathecae.



Figure 97 Locality records for forty-six new species of Leptonetela in China

1: L. chakou sp. nov. (Sichuan, China); 2: L. changtu sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 3: L. chenjia sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 4: L. chuan sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 5: L. dabian sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 6: L. dao sp.nov. (Guizhou, China); 7: L. dashui sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 8: L. encun sp. nov. (Guangxi, China); 9: L. enlong sp. nov. (Hunan, China); 10: L. feilong sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 11: L. gang sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 12: L. gubin sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 13: L. huoyan sp. nov. (Hubei, China); 14: L. jiahe sp. nov. (Guangxi, China); 15: L. kangsa sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 16: L. la sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 17: L. langdong sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 18: L. liangfeng sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 19: L. lianhua sp. nov. (Jiangxi, China); 20: L. lihu sp. nov. (Guangxi, China); 21: L. liuguan sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 22: L. liuzhai sp. nov. (Guangxi, China); 23: L. longli sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 24: L. longyu sp. nov. (Hunan, China); 25: L. lujia sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 30: L. panbao sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 32: L. radong sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 33: L. sanyan sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 34: L. shanji sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 35: L. shicheng sp. nov. (Hunan, China); 36: L. shuang sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 37: L. shuilian sp. nov. (Guiangxi, China); 38: L. tawo sp. nov. (Hunan, China); 36: L. shuang sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 41: L. wenzhu sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 39: L. tiankeng sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 40: L. wangjia sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 45: L. shuina sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 45: L. shuina sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 45: L. shuina sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 45: L. shuang sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 46: L. sakou sp. nov. (Guizhou, China); 46: L. zakou sp. nov. (Hunan, China).

Female. Total length 2.12 (Figure 96A–B). Carapace 0.80 long, 0.73 wide. Opisthosoma 1.27 long, 0.85 wide. Clypeus 0.12 high. Leg measurements: I 6.61 (1.62, 0.37, 1.65, 1.87, 1.10); II 5.39 (1.77, 0.30, 1.25, 1.12, 0.95); III 4.16 (1.12, 0.27, 1.02, 1.00, 0.75); IV 5.72 (1.50, 0.30, 1.55, 1.35, 1.02). Vulva (Figure 96C): spermathecae coiled, atrium fusiform, anterior margin of atrium with short hairs.

Distribution. China (Guangxi).

Remarks. The female of the species is described for the first time. Females of *Leptonetela zhai* were collected from the same cave where the male holotype of *L. zhai* Wang & Li, 2011 was found.

Leptonetela tianxinensis (Tong & Li, 2008) comb. nov.

Leptoneta tianxinensis Tong & Li, 2008: 382, Figures 5A–G (3°).

Type material examined. Paratypes: 12 males, 6 females (IZCAS), Tianxin Cave, N33.35°, E111.88°, Sandaohe, Qilipo Town, Neixiang County, Henan Province, China, 24 June 2005, Q. Wang & Y. Tong leg.

Remarks. Our research showed that this species should be transferred to the genus *Leptonetela*, based on the result of DNA barcoding and morphological characters such as the pedipalpal femur lacking spines and the tibia with one strong spine retrolaterally.

Leptonetela gigachela (Lin & Li, 2010) comb. nov.

Guineta gigachela Lin & Li, 2010: 6, Figures 1A, 2A–E, 3A–B (♂♀).

Type material examined. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Qingzi Cave, N26.51°, E107.99°, Mianxi, Sankeshu Town, Kaili City, Guizhou Province, China, 26 May 2007, Y. Li & J. Liu leg. Paratypes: 2 males and 12 females, same data as holotype.

Remarks. Our studies showed that that *Guineta* Lin & Li, 2010 syn. nov. should be a junior synonym of *Leptonetela* Kratochvíl, 1978.

Leptonetela notabilis (Lin & Li, 2010) comb. nov.

Sinoneta notabilis Lin & Li, 2010: 83, Figures 55A–B, 56A–C, 57A–C (♂♀).

Type material examined. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Hebiandong Cave, Kaikou Town, Duyun City, N26.00°, E107.20°, Guizhou Province, China, 8 May 2006, Y. Li leg. **Paratypes:** 1 male and 1 female, same data as holotype.

Remarks. Our studies showed that *Sinoneta* Lin & Li, 2010 syn. nov. should be a junior synonym of *Leptonetela* Kratochvíl, 1978.

Leptonetela sexdigiti (Lin & Li, 2010) comb. nov.

Sinoneta sexdigiti Lin & Li, 2010: 87, Figures 58A–B, 59A–B, 60A–B (♂♀).

Type material examined. Holotype: male (IZCAS), Qiaotou Cave, Dashan, Shuangliu Town, Kaiyang County, N26.05°, E107.85°, Guizhou Province, China, 11 May 2006, Y. Li & Z. Yang leg. **Paratypes:** 5 males and 29 females, same data as holotype.

Leptonetela sanchahe Wang & Li nom. nov.

Qianleptoneta palmata Chen, Jia & Wang, 2010: 2902, Figures 19A–G, 20A–F, 25G (♂♀).

Sinoneta palmata Wang & Li, 2011: 4 (Transfer from *Qianleptoneta*).

Material examined. 1 male and 1 female (IZCAS), Sanchahe Cave, N26.53°, E107.70°, Sanchahe, Jialiang Town, Libo County, Guizhou Province, China, 16 May 2011, C. Wang & L. Lin leg.

Etymology. The specific name refers to the type locality; noun.

Remarks. *Qianleptoneta palmata* was collected from Sanchahe Cave in Guizhou, China and published by Chen et al. in December 2010. Wang & Li (2011) transfered *Qianleptoneta palmata* Chen et al, 2010 to the genus *Sinoneta* Lin & Li, 2010. Nevertheless, in this study our results confirmed that *Qianleptoneta palmata* belonged to the genus *Leptonetela*.

Leptonetela palmata is a preoccupied name (secondary homonym) for a species collected from Dixian Cave in Guizhou, China and published by Lin & Li, in August 2010. Subsequently, Leptonetela sanchahe Wang & Li **nom. nov.** is proposed for the taxon from Sanchahe Cave, in Guizhou, China.

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