

**1-13. Redescription of Intertidal Genus *Brachypronomaea* Sawada
(Coleoptera: Staphylinidae: Aleocharinae) from Ryukyu Islands,
Japan and a Discussion of Its Phylogenetic Relationships**

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A redescription of the intertidal aleocharine genus *Brachypronomaea* Sawada from Ryukyu Islands, Japan is presented. Illustrations of diagnostic features are provided. *Brachypronomaea* is hypothesized to be a member of the tribe Myllaenini rather than the tribe Pronomaeini based on small gland opening on the anterior margin of tergite VII; antero-lateral angles of mentum prolonged into spinose processes; galea without setae on mesal edge; lacinia with a pair of hook-like setae near base; ligula short and entire.

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