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(DIPTERA, CHLOROPIDAE)

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In his recent paper on the Palaearctic Chloropidae, Nartshuk (1959) erected the genus *Platycephalisca* on the basis of *P. nigra* Nartshuk occurring in the European part of the U.S.S.R. Recently, as I have found this species in Japan, some additional notes are given below.

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Genus Platycephalisca Nartshuk

Platycephalisca Nartshuk, 1959. Ent. Obozr., XXXVIII (2), 472-474.

Type: Platycephalisca nigra Nartshuk

This genus is characterized by the conspicuous sharp median keel in face, well developed from and thickened arista with dense pubescence.

Platycephalisca nigra Nartshuk

Platycephalisca nigra Nartshuk, 1959. Ent. Obozr., XXXVIII (2), 472-474, Figs.

The Japanese specimens somewhat differ from the original description, especially in the colour pattern as follows: body brownish black, arista entirely dark brown to the tip and the disc of thorax and scutellum pollinose.

Specimens examined: $1 \, \hat{\circ} \,$, $1 \, \hat{\circ} \,$, Daisen, Tottori-ken, Honshu, Japan, 23, VII, 1950, Kenji Koizumi leg.

Distribution: Europe (Rjasan region of U.S.S.R.), Japan (Honshu).