

## *Dolichozele* Viereck

*Dolichozele* Viereck 1911: 182. ♀.

Type species: *Dolichozele koebeli* Viereck. Original description.

*Neozele* Brues 1926: 275. ♀. (placed as synonym of *Dolichozele* by Achterberg 1993b: 18).

Type species: *Neozele wheeleri* Brues. Original designation.

*Plectobracon* Brèthes 1927: 325. ♀. (placed as synonym of *Dolichozele* by Achterberg 1993b: 18).

Type species: *Plectobracon testaceus* Brèthes. Designated by Shenefelt 1970: 186.

**Diagnosis.** Antenna considerably longer than body, and according to Achterberg (1993b) with 44–58 antennomeres; terminal antennomere with apical spine. Maxillary palpus much longer than height of head; longest palpomere longer or shorter than antennomere IV. Clypeus convex, ventrally emarginate. Mandible strongly twisted, tooth I considerably longer than tooth II, acute or rounded. Metanotal carina simple or divided anteriorly. Metapleural flange large, acute or obtuse apically. Forewing with veins 1M and (RS+M)a straight or curved, angle between them 90° or less. Vein M+CU curved, subbasal cell widened apically, entirely glabrous or only apically, with or without pigmented sclerome; radius arising beyond middle of stigma; vein (RS+M)b longer or shorter than m-cu. Crossvein 1cu-a usually postfurcal by less than half its length. Hind wing with vein R1a straight to slightly curved; marginal cell widened apically; vein RS sinuate. Forefemur wider basally than apically, ventral setae longer basally, becoming shorter apically. Hind coxa smooth, without transverse striae. Hind tibia not flattened, inner spur more than or occasionally <0.5 times length of basitarsus; tarsal claw with basal lamella. Inner side of tarsomere V or telotarsus with or without specialized incisure and bristle. Metasomal tergite I much longer than wide apically, usually parallel-sided behind spiracles, base convex or flattened, not depressed basomedially; laterope absent; spiracles farther from base than distance between them. Ovipositor sheaths shorter than apical height of metasoma. Ovipositor with preapical notch.

**Distribution.** Neotropical and southern Nearctic Regions.