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Abstract.

The silphids known from Chejudo Island, ten in all are reviewed and *Eusilpha bicolor* is reported for the first time.

Introduction

The silphid fauna of Chejudo Island is well-known since Okamoto (1924). He reported 6 species from Chejudo for the first time. Cho (1957) reviewed Korean Coleoptera and listed 21 silphid species without comment on Cheju fauna. In 1963 he recorded 8 species from this island, in which two species *Nicrophorus concolor* and *Ptomascopus morio* were newly added.¹ Kim (1978) presented the distributions of 15 Korean species with new distribution record of *Eusilpha brunneus* from Cheju. Lee, Kim & Kim (1985) added *Nicrophorus quadripunctatus* to the fauna of this island. Paik (1985) revised the Korean Silphidae and Catopidae with a key to 23 silphid species.

This short report presents a check-list of the silphid fauna of Chejudo from the Korean literature with a new record of *Eusilpha bicolor* on the basis of our own collection.

Family SILPHIDAE

Tribe Nicrophorini

***Nicrophorus japonicus* Harold**

1) Results from the Korea-Japan Co-operative Science Program on "The Evolution and Biogeography of the Insects in the East Asia". No. 7.

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Necrophorus japonicus Harold, 1877, *Deutsch. Ent. Zeitschr.*, 21: 345; Cho, 1957, *Hum. Sci.*, Korea Univ., 2: 32.

Necrophorus japonica: Okamoto, 1924, *Bull. Agric. Expt. Stat. Gov. -Gen. Chosen*, 1: 168.

Necrophorus japonicus: Cho, 1963, *Hum. Sci. Korea Univ.*, 6: 46; Seok, 1970, *Ins. Faun. Is. Querpart*: 71; Kim, 1978, *Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea*, Col., 2: 64; Lee, Kim & Kim, 1985, *Rep. acad. Surv. Hallasan (Mt.) Nat. Pres.*: 403; Paik, 1985, *Corentomon, Suwon*, 1(1): 3.

Distribution. Korea, China, Mongolia, Formosa, Japan.

Necrophorus concolor Kraatz

(Fig. A)

Necrophorus concolor Kraatz, 1877, *Deutsch. ent. Zeitschr.*, 21: 100; Cho, 1957, *Hum. Sci. Korea Univ.*, 2: 33.

Necrophorus concolor: Cho, 1963, *Hum. Sci. Korea Univ.*, 6: 46; Lee, Kim & Kim 1985, *Rep. acad. Surv. Hallasan (Mt.) Nat. Pres.*: 403; Paik, 1985, *Corentomon, Suwon*, 1(1): 4.

Necrophorus concolor: Kim, 1978, *Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea*, 2: 61 (misspelling).

Specimens examined: 2 males, Yongshil, Mt. Hallasan, 27. vii. 1990, S. Nomura leg.

Distribution. Korea, China, Formosa, Japan.

Necrophorus quadripunctatus Kraatz

(Fig. B)

Necrophorus quadripunctatus Kraatz, 1877, *Deutsch. ent. Zeitschr.*, 21: 101.

Necrophorus quadripunctatus: Kim, 1978, Col., Diit. *Atlas Ins. Korea*, 2: 63; Lee, Kim & Kim, 1985, *Rep. acad. Surv. Hallasan (Mt.) Nat. Pres.*: 403; Paik, 1985, *Corentomon, Suwon*, 1(1): 3.

Specimens examined: 1 male 1 female, Kaewol Bridge, Mt. Hallasan, 20. v. 1990, S. Nomura leg; 5 males 2 females, Yongshil, Mt. Hallasan, 27. vii. 1990, S. Nomura leg.

Distribution. Korea, China, Japan.

Ptomascopus morio Kraatz

Ptomaswpus morio Kraatz, 1877, *Deutsch. ent. Zeitschr.*, 21: 104; Cho, 1957, *Hum. Sci. Korea Univ.*, 2: 33; 1963, *Hum. Sci. Korea Univ.*, 6: 47; Kim, 1978, Col., *Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea*, 2: 62; Lee, Kim & Kim, 1985, *Rep. acad. Surv. Hallasan (Mt.) Nat. Pres.*: 403; Paik, 1985, *Corentomon, Suwon*, 1(1): 4.

Distribution. Korea, China, Formosa, Japan.

Tribe Necrodini

Necrodes asiaticus Portevin

(Fig. C)

Necrodes asiaticus Portevin, 1922, *Bull. Mus. Hist. Nat., Paris*, 1922: 507; 1926, *Silph., Encycl. Ent.*, 6: 162; Kim, 1978, *Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea*, 2: 59; Paik, 1985, *Corentomon, Suwon*, 1(1): 3.

Necrodes littoralis: Okamoto, 1924 (*nec. Linnaeus, 1758*), *Bull. Agric. Expt. Stat. Gov. -Gen. Chosen*, 1:

168.

Specimens **examined**: 1 male, Cheju Junior College, Cheju City, 19. v. 1990, S. Nomura leg.; 2 males 8 females, Kaewol Bridge, Mt. Hallasan, 23. vii. 1990, S. Nomura leg.; 1 male 2 females, same locality as above, 26. vii. 1990, S. Nomura leg.

Distribution. Korea China, Tibet, Mongolia, **Sibelia**, India, Japan.

Tribe **Silphini**

***Thanatophilus sinuatus* (Fabricius)**

Silpha sinuatus Fabricius, 1775, Syst. Ent.: 75; Cho, 1957, Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 2: 31.

Pseudoperta sinuata: Okamoto, 1924, Bull Agric. Expt. Stat. Gov. -Gen. Chosen, 1: 168.

Silpha auripilosa: Cho, 1957 (**nec. Portevin, 1926**), Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 2, 1. c.: 31; 1963, Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 6: 47; Seok, 1970, Ins. Faun. Is. Querpart: 71; Lee, Kim & Kim, 1985, Rep. acad. Sw. **Hallasan** (Mt.) Nat. Pres.: 403.

Thanatophilus auripilosus: Kim, 1978, Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea, 2: 55.

Thanatophilus sinuatus: Paik, 1985, Corentomon, Suwon, 1(1): 3

Distribution. Korea, China, Siberia, Central Asia, Europe, North Africa, Japan.

***Thanatophilus rugosus* (Linnaeus)**

Silpha rugosa Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat., 10th ed.: 361.

Pseudopelta rugosa: Okamoto, 1924, Bull Agric. Expt. Stat. Gov. -Gen. Chosen, 1: 169.

Silpha subrugosa: Cho, 1957 (**nec. Portevin, 1926**), Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 2: 32; 1963, Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 6: 46; Seok, 1970, Ins. Faun. Is. Querpart: 71; Lee, Kim & Kim, 1985, Rep. acad. Surv. **Hallasan** (Mt.) Nat. Pres.: 403.

Thanatophilus subrugosus: Kim, 1978, Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea, 2: 56.

Thanatophilus rugosus: Paik, 1985, Corentomon, Suwon, 1(1): 3

Distribution. Korea, China, Central Asia, Europe, Northern Africa, Siberia, Himaraya, Japan.

***Silpha perforata* Gebler**

(Fig. D)

Silpha perforata Gebler, 1832, Nouv. Mtm, **Mosc.:** 41; Cho, 1957, Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 2: 31; 1963, Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 6, 46; Seok, 1970, Ins. Faun. Is. Querpart: 71; Kim, 1978, Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea, 2: 54; Lee, Kim & Kim, 1985, Rep. acad. Surv. **Hallasan** (Mt.) Nat. Pres.: 403; Paik, 1985, Corentomon, Suwon, 1(1): 3.

Parasilpha perforata: Okamoto, 1924, Bull. Agric. Expt. Stat. Gov. -Gen. Chosen, 1: 168.

Remarks. This species is divided into five subspecies by Portevin (1926) and the other authors. But we cannot determine the specimen collected from Mt. **Hallasan** into subspecies because of its bad **condition** as shown in the **figure D**.

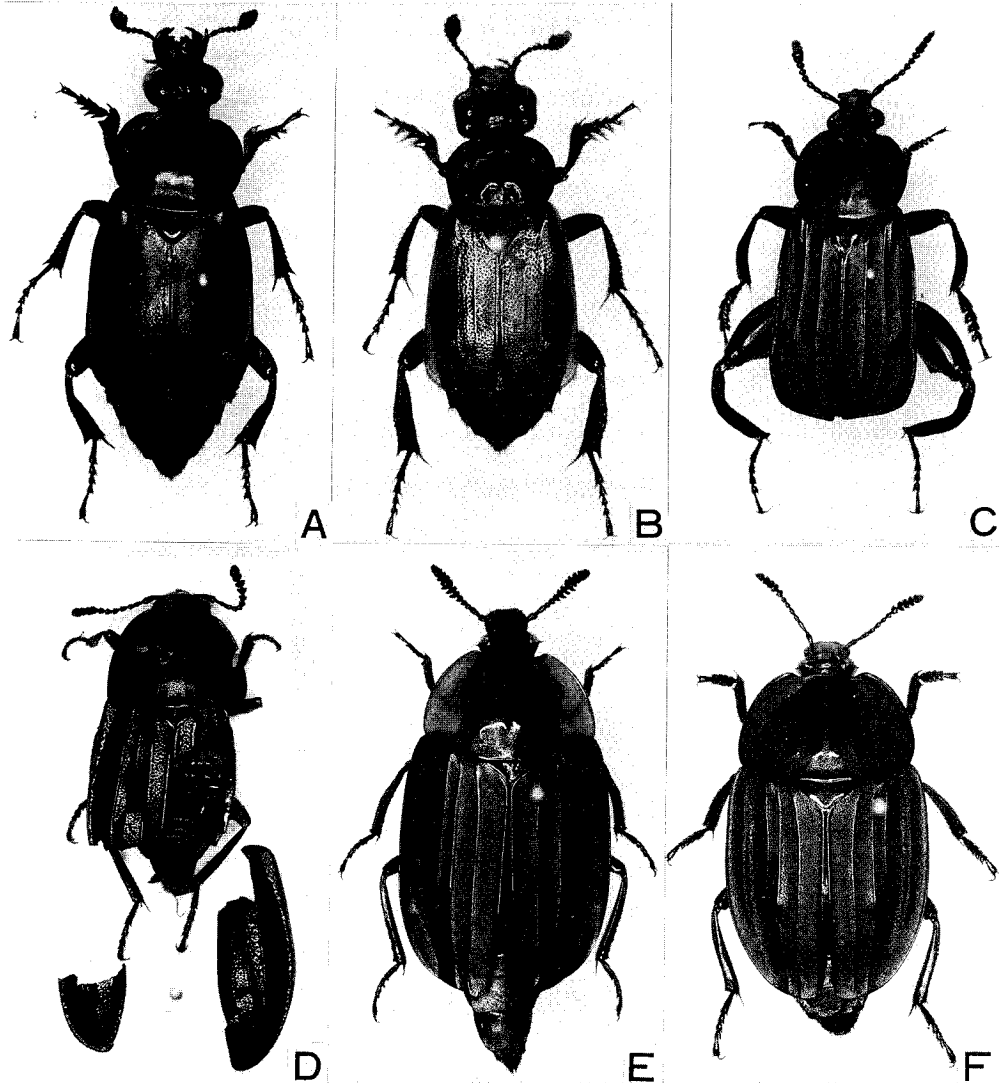
Specimens **examined**: 1 female, Mt. **Hallasan**, 25. vii. 1990, S. Nomura leg.

Distribution. Korea, China, Mongolia, Siberia, Japan (Hokkaido).

Eusilpha (Calosilpha) bicolor bicolor (Fairmaire)

(Fig. E)

Silpha bicolor Fairmaire, 1899. Ann. Soc. ent. Fr., 68: 616; Paik, 1985, Corentomon, Suwon, 1(1): 3.



Figures A-F. Dorsal aspects of the silphids collected from Chejudo Is. A, *Nicrophorus concolor* Kraatz; B, *N. quadripunctatus* Kraatz; C, *Necrodes asiaticus* Portevin; D, *Silpha perforata* Gebler; E, *Eusilpha (Calosilpha) bicolor bicolor* (Fairmaire); F, *E. (E.) jacowlewii* (Semenow).

Silpha biwlor bicolor : Niiawa, 1986, Ent. Pap. pres. Kurosawa, Tokyo: 153.

Remarks. This species is recorded from Chejudo Island for the first time. The nominotypical sub-species known from Korean peninsula is separated from the subsp. *imasakai* from Japan by the strongly narrowed pronotum towards apex in both sexes and the less dilated third to fifth **antennal** segments in the female after Niihikawa (1986).

Specimens **examined**: 1 female, Kaewol Bridge, Mt. Hallasan, 26. vii. 1990, S. Nomura leg.; 4 females, Yongshil, Mt. Hallasan, 27. vii. 1990, S. Nomura leg.

Distribution. Korea, China, Tibet, Japan.

Eusilpha (Calosilpha) brunneicollis (Kraatz)

Silpha brunneicollis Kraatz, 1877. Deutsch. ent. Zeitschr., 21: 106.

Calosilpha brunneicollis : Cho, 1957, Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 2 (**nec**, Portevin, 1926): 32; Kim, 1978, Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea, 2; 52.

Eusilpha brunneicollis : Paik, 1985, Corentomon, Suwon, 1(1): 3.

Distribution. Korea, Formosa?, Japan.

Eusilpha (Eusilpha) jakowlewi (Semenow)

(Fig. F)

Silpha jakowlewi Semenow, 1891, **Horae, Soc.** Ent. Ross. 25: 229; Paik, 1985, Corentomon, Suwon, 1(1): 3; Cho & Lee, 1986b, Nature and Life, 16 (2): 19.

Silpha japonica : Cho, 1957, Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 2 (**nec**, Motschulsky, 1860) : 203; 1963, Hum. Sci. Korea Univ., 6: 46; Lee, Kim & Kim, 1985, Rep. acad. Surv. Hallasan (Mt.) Nat. Pres.: 403.

Pseudopelta japonica : Okamoto, 1924, **Bull Agric. Expt. Stat. Gov. -Gen.** Chosen, 1: 169.

Eusilpha japonica : Kim, 1978, Dist. Atlas Ins. Korea, 2: 57.

Specimens **examined**: 4 males 10 females, Ora-dong, Cheju City, 21. v. 1990, S. Nomura leg.; 1 male, same locality as above, 23. v. 1990, S. Nomura leg.

Distribution. Korea, Mongolia, Japan (Tsushima Is.).

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