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## **Observation on the Male 10th Abdominal Segment in Deltocephalini, Paralimnini and Their Allied Tribes (Homoptera: Cicadellidae: Deltocephalinae)<sup>1),2)</sup>**

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**Abstract.** The male 10th abdominal segment of Cicadellidae was investigated for 42 species belonging to 13 tribes of Deltocephalinae and 6 to 5 allied subfamilies. The typical 3 states are recognized; fully sclerotized, partly membranous and fully membranous. The 10th segment is fully sclerotized in most species of Deltocephalinae including Paralimnini, partly membranous in the allied subfamilies, and fully membranous in Macrostelini and some species of Deltocephalini.

Key words: Deltocephalini, Paralimnini, Cicadellidae, morphology, abdomen.

### **Introduction**

This paper is the second part of the morphological study on Deltocephalini and Paralimnini (Kamitani 1997). Knight & Webb (1993) studied the phylogenetic relationships between genera of Macrostelini, and compared them with 28 species of other deltocephaline tribes as the outgroup. They observed 81 morphological characters including the membranization of the male 10th abdominal segment, and recognized 2 states; sclerotized at least in part and membranous. The membranization of the postgenital segment was treated as one of the synapomorphies of Macrostelini, but this character state is also shared by some other genera of Deltocephalini. In order to clarify the distributional pattern of this postgenital character state in Deltocephalini and its closely related tribe Paralimnini, 42 deltocephaline species and 6 species belonging to 5 allied subfamilies were investigated.

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### Materials and methods

The 10th abdominal segment of dried male specimens was dissected. The species examined in this paper were same as those used in the previous study (Kamitani 1997); **Deltocephalini:** *Alobaldia tobae*, *Deltocephalus pulicaris*, *Endria inimica*, *Futasujinus candidus*, *Hengchunia koshuensis*, *Recilia coronifer*, *R. dorsalis*, *R. oryzae*, *Takagiella tezuyae*, *Yanocephalus yanonis*, **Paralimnini:** *Diplocolenus evansii*, *Jassargus repletus*, *Metalimnus marmoratus*, *Paralaevicephalus nigrifemoratus*, *Paralimnus tamagawanus*, *Psammotettix striatus*, *Sorhoanus tritici*, **Doraturini:** *Aconurella orientalis*, *Doratura gravis*, **Athysanini:** *Albicostella kiushuensis*, *Exitianus fusconervosus*, *Handianus limbifer*, *Laburris impictifrons*, *Matsumurella kogotensis*, *Nephotettix cincticeps*, *Orientalis ishidae*, *Paramesodes albinervosus*, *Limotettix striola*, *Scleroracrus jakowleffi*, **Balcluthini:** *Balclutha incisa*, **Cicadulini:** *Elymana sulphurella*, **Hecalini:** *Hecalus centralis*, **Macrostelini:** *Macrosteles striifrons*, *Yamatotettix flavovittatus*, **Opsiini:** *Hishimonus sellatus*, **Platymetopiini:** *Phlogotettix cyclops*, **Scaphoideini:** *Scaphoideus albovittatus*, *S. festivus*, **Scaphytopiini:** *Japananus hyalinus*, **Stenometopiini:** *Doratulina (D.) producta*, *D. (Paivanana) indra*, **tribe incertae sedis:** *Amimemus mojiensis*, **Xestocephalinae:** *Xestocephalus iguchii*, **Iassininae:** *Batracomorpha mundus*, **Aphrodinae:** *Planaphrodes sahlbergi*, **Selenocephalinae:** *Drabescus nigrifemoratus*, *Paraboloopona guttatus* and **Pentniminae:** *Penthimia nitida*. The systematic positions of these species were relied upon the check list by Oman *et al.* (1990). The abdomen was steeped in 5% solution of KOH, and warmed for 3 to 5 minutes until the organs became soft. After the treatment with potash, the materials were transferred to 25% solution of ethanol, and observed under a stereoscopic microscope.

### Results

The following 3 states were observed in the species examined; fully sclerotized (Fig. 11), partly membranous (Fig. 21), and fully membranous (Fig. 1). The fully sclerotized state was observed in most species of Deltocephalinae. The partly membranous state was shared within the allied subfamilies. The fully membranous state occurred in Deltocephalini, Macrostelini, Doraturini and Athysanini.

#### 1. Deltocephalini (Figs. 1-10)

The tribe Deltocephalini classified by Knight & Webb (1993) has 2 character states; fully sclerotized and fully membranous. The 10th segment of *Deltocephalus*, the type genus of Deltocephalini, is fully membranous. The segment of *Alobaldia*, *Endria* and *Recilia* is also fully membranous. That of *Futasujinus*, *Hengchunia*, *Takagiella* and *Yanocephalus* are fully sclerotized.

**2. Paralimnini** (Figs. 11-17)

This tribe exhibits a single state except for the genus *Psammotettix*. The segment of *Paralimnus*, the type genus, is entirely sclerotized, and that of *Diplocolenus*, *Jassargus*, *Metalimnus*, *Paralaevicephalus* and *Sorhounus* are also same. That of *Psammotettix* is partly membranous.

**3. Doraturini** (Figs. 18-19)

*Doraturu* is the type genus of this tribe, and the segment is fully membranous. The segment of *Aconurella* is fully sclerotized.

**4. Balcluthini** (Fig. 30)

*Balclutha* is the type genus of this tribe, and the segment is partly membranous.

**5. Macrostelini** (Figs. 33-34)

*Macrosteles* is the type genus of this tribe, and the segment of *Macrosteles* and *Yumatotettix* is fully membranous.

**6. Other tribes and subfamilies** (Figs. 20-29, 31-32, 35-47)

All other tribes of Dectocephalinae including *Laburrus impictifrons* exhibit fully sclerotized state except for some genera. The segment of *Paramesodes* is fully membranous. That of *Exitianus*, *Scleroracus*, *Hecalus*, *Hishimonus* and *Doratulina* (*Paivanana*) are partly sclerotized. All allied subfamilies show partly sclerotized state.

### Discussion

The strong membranization of the 10th segment was observed in *Paramesodes*, 2 genera of Macrostelini, and 4 genera of Dectocephalini. This character state is hypothesized as the evolutionary novelty occurred several times in the 3 taxonomic units, or synapomorphy of these units.

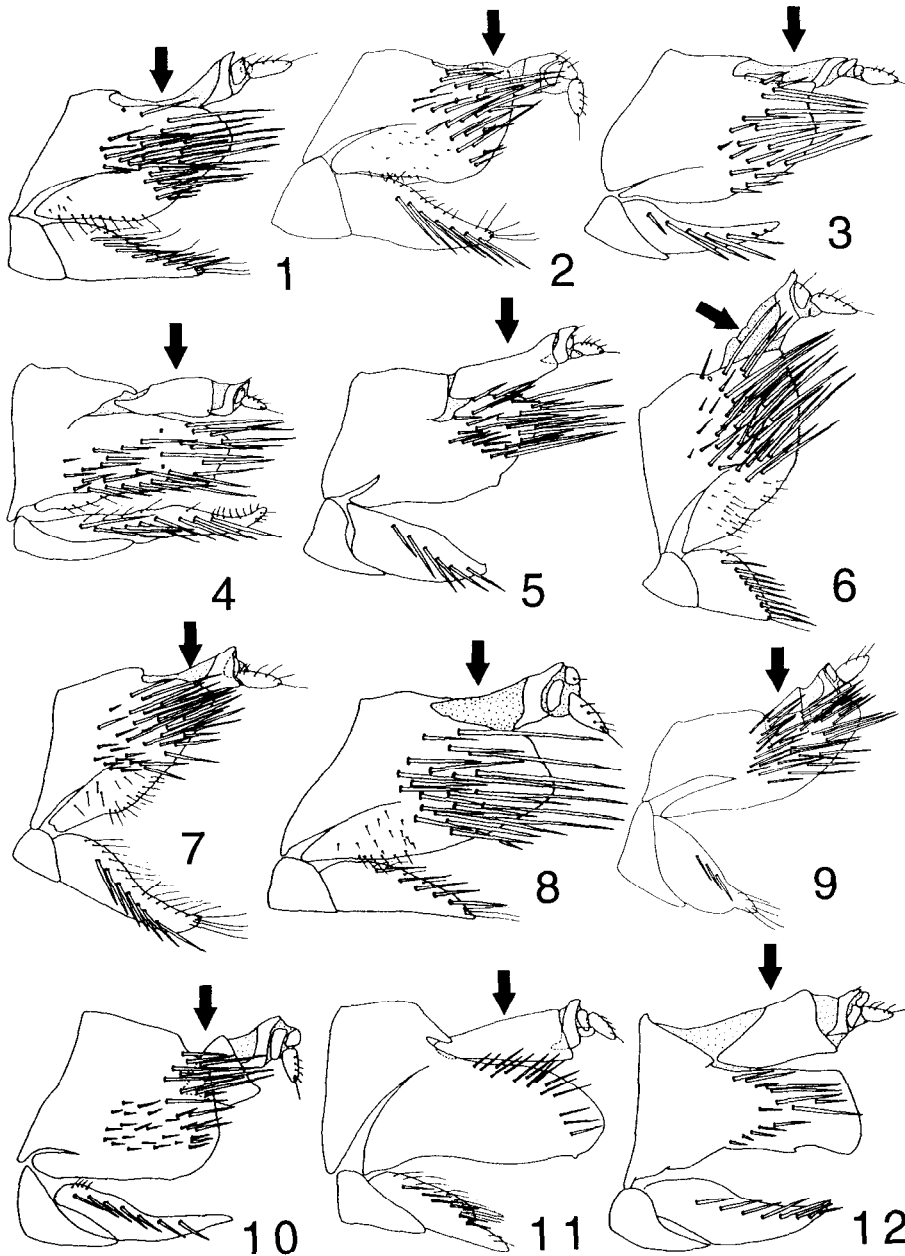
The result of the observation on the pronotal carina (Kamitani 1997) suggested that there are 2 clades in the genera of Dectocephalini (sensu Oman *et al.* 1990). The distributional pattern of character states of the 10th segment is consistent with that of the pronotal carina. Therefore, it is also supported that there are 2 clades in Dectocephalini (sensu Oman *et al.* 1990). This membranization is a synapomorphy of the tribe Dectocephalini. Four genera with the fully sclerotized state, *Futasujinus*, *Hengchunia*, *Tukagiella* and *Yanocephalus*, should be classified into Paralimnini.

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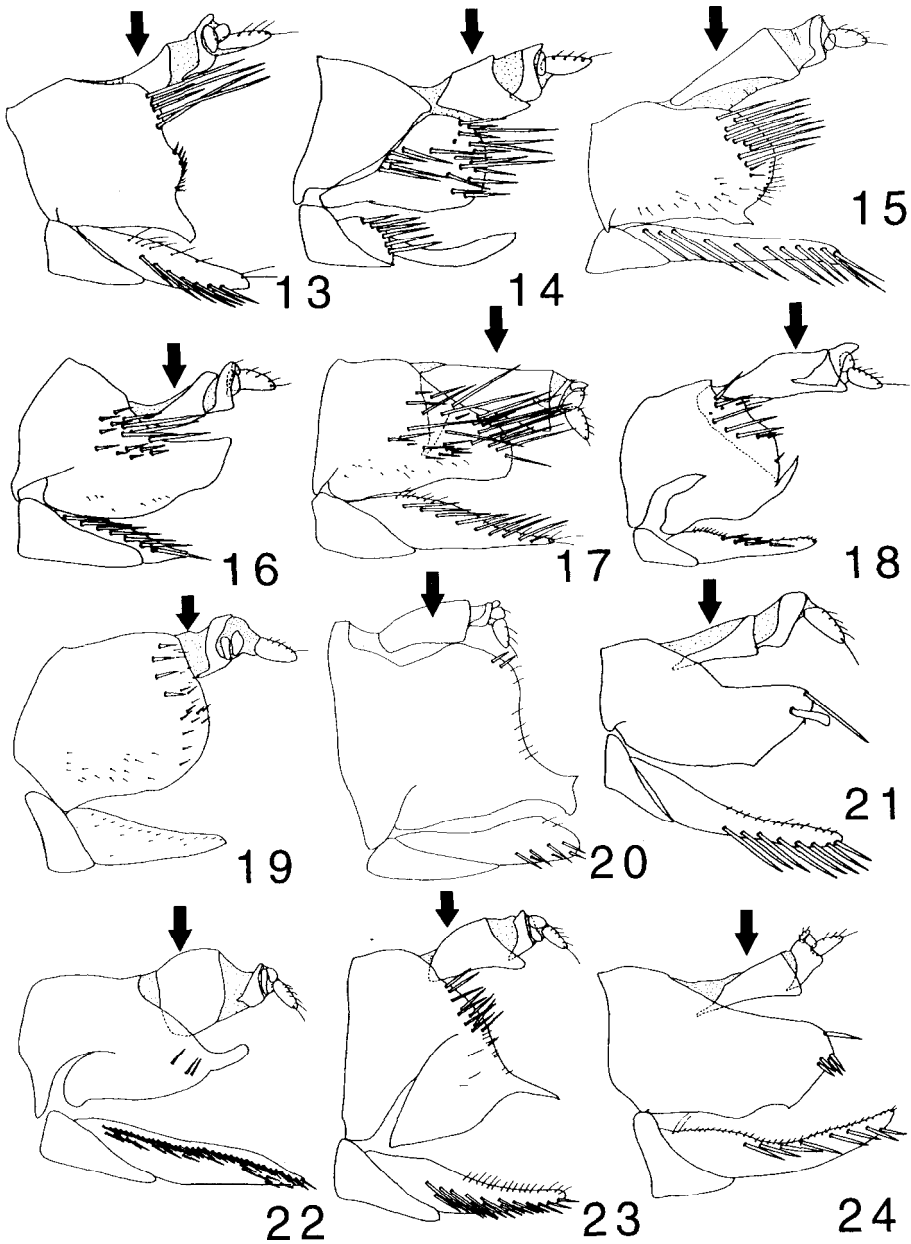
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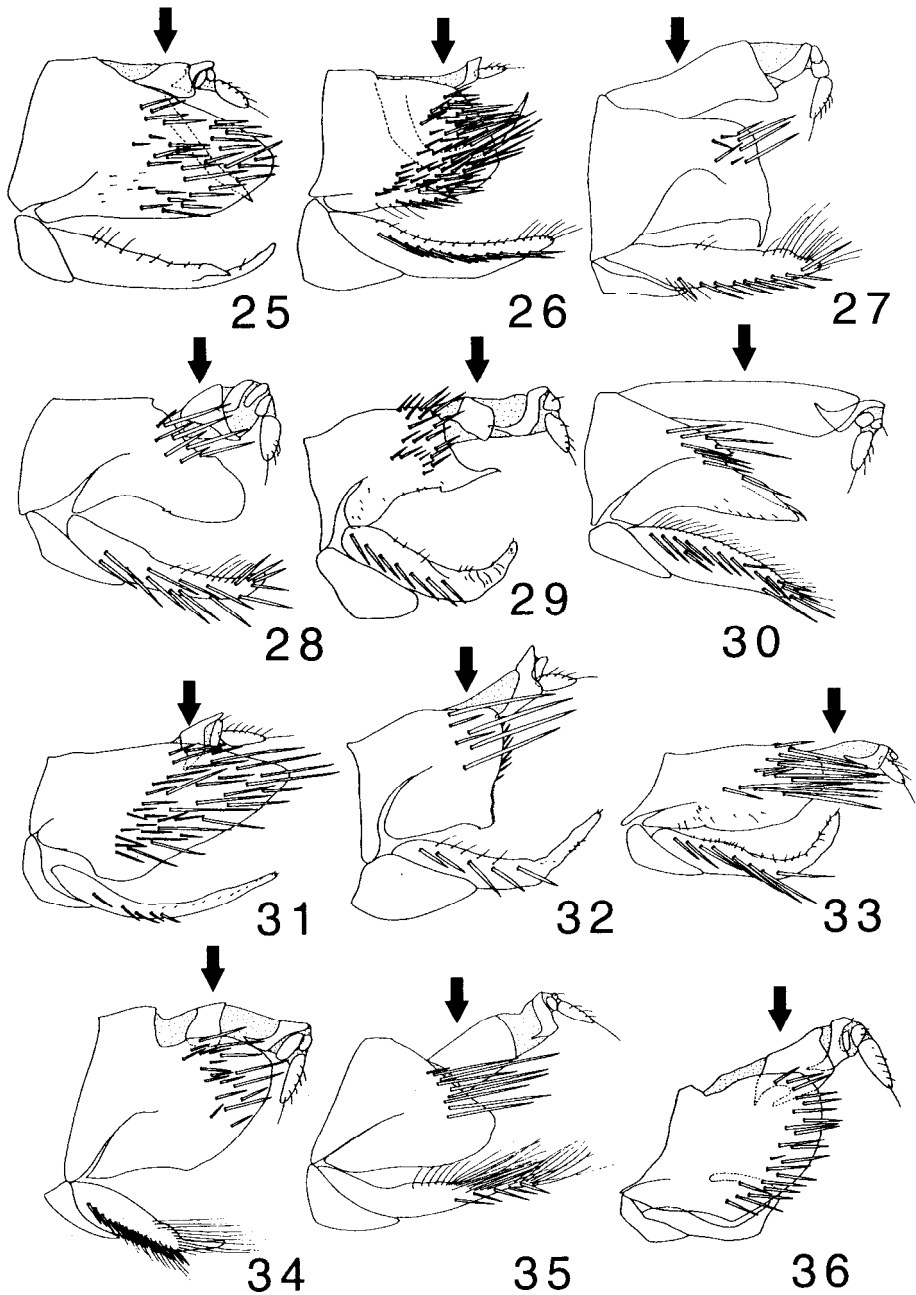
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**Figs. 1-12.** Male genital and postgenital segments. 1, *Alobaldia tobae*; 2, *Deltocephalus pulicaris*; 3, *Endria inimica*; 4, *Futasujinus candidus*; 5, *Hengchunia koshuensis*; 6, *Reciliacoroner*; 7, *R. dorsalis*; 8, *R. oryzae*; 9, *Takagiella tezuyae*; 10, *Yanocephalus yanonis*; 11, *Diplocolenus evansii*; 12, *Jassargus repletus*.

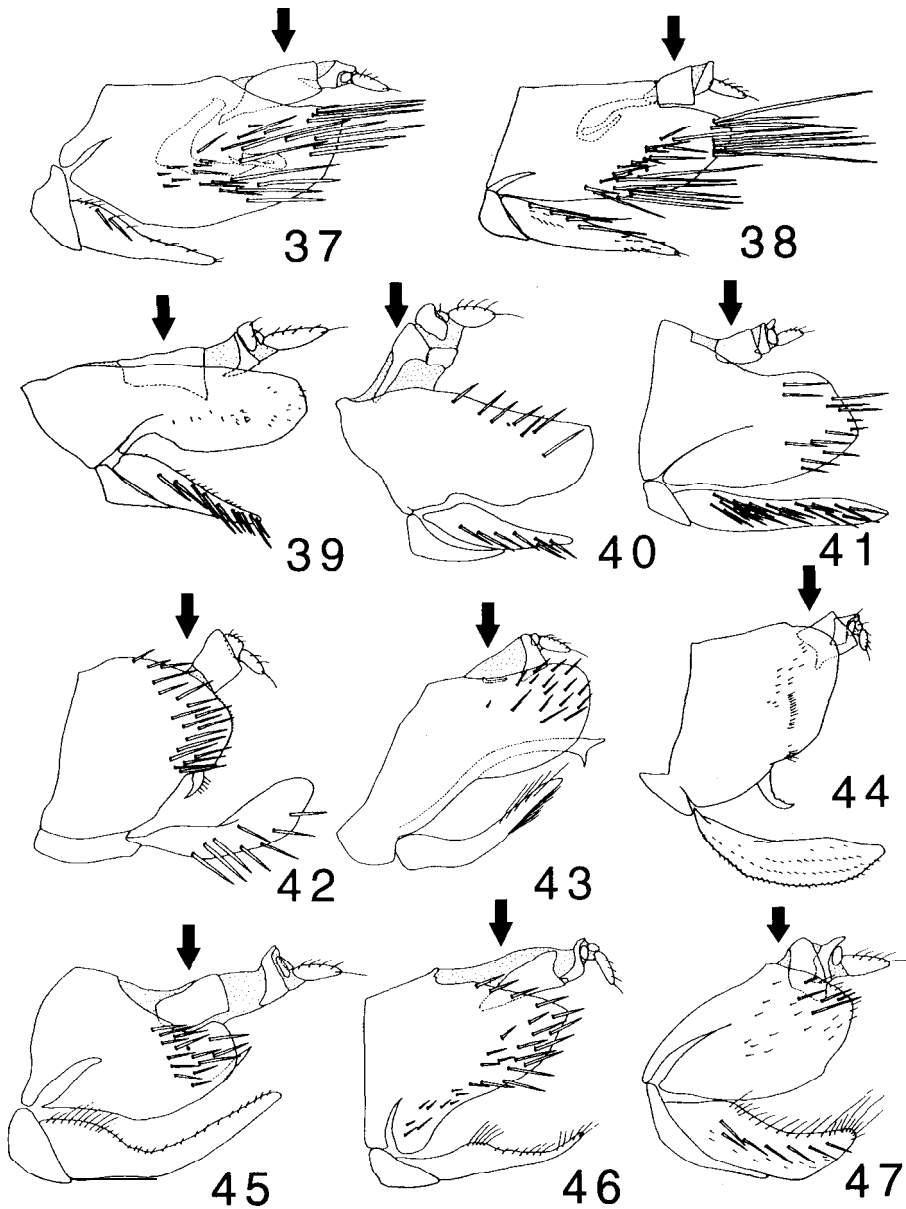


**Figs. 13-24.** Male genital and postgenital segments. 13, *Metalimnus marmoratus*; 14, *Paralaevicephalus nigrifemoratus*; 15, *Paralimnus tamagawanus*; 16, *Psammotettix striatus*; 17, *Sorhoanus tritici*; 18, *Aconurella orientalis*; 19, *Doratura gravis*; 20, *Albicostella kiushuensis*; 21, *Exitianus fusconervosus*; 22, *Handianus limbifer*; 23, *Matsumurella kogotensis*; 24, *Nephotettix cincticeps*.



**Figs. 25-36.** Male genital and postgenital segments. 25, *Orientus ishidae*; 26, *Paramesodes albinervosus*; 27, *Limotettix striola*; 28, *Scleroracus jakowleffi*; 29, *Balclutha incisa*; 30, *Elymana sulphurella*; 31, *Hecalus centralis*; 32, *Macrosteles striifrons*; 33, *Yamatotettix flavovittatus*; 34, *Hishimonus sellatus*; 35, *Phlogotettix cyclops*; 36, *Japananus hyalinus*.





**Figs. 37-47.** Male genital and postgenital segments. 37, *Scaphoideus albovittatus*; 38, *S. festivus*; 39, *Doratulina (D.) producta*; 40, *D. (Paivanana) indra*; 41, *Amimenus mojiensis*; 42, *Xestocephalus iguchii*; 43, *Batracomorphus mundus*; 44, *Planaphrodes sahlbergi*; 45, *Drabescus nigrifemoratus*; 46, *Parabolopona guttatus*; 47, *Penthimia nitida*.