Two Trematode Parasites of Copper and Green Pheasants from Kyushu, Japan

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The copper pheasant (Phasianus soemmerringii Temminck) and the green pheasant (P. colchicus versicolor Vieillot) are wellknown endemic representatives of the Japanese birds and chosen as hunting targets in winter. Their trematode parasites were fragmentarily surveyed by several authors such as Morishita (1924, 1929), Ishii (1932), Yamaguti (1935, 1939), etc. up to present. We recently obtained two species of trematodes from these birds and found that those materials were new records for the hosts and the distribution as stated below.

Materials and Methods

The trematodes obtained were flattened, fixed with Bouin's fluid, and stained with alum carmine.

Measurements were performed by the following two methods. Uterine eggs were measured under a microscope by using a micrometer. Other organs were directly measured on the accurate ×100 images enlarged by a profile projector (Nikon 6CT2) except the body length and width which were measured on ×10 images.

Results and Discussion

After examining the stained specimens,

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the two species of trematodes were identified as follows. Because no remarkable difference was observed in the morphology against the previous descriptions made by the abovementioned authors, only the results of measurements are quoted in the present paper.

Brachylaimidae

Postharmostomum gallinum (Witenberg, 1923) (Fig. 1).

Harmostomum (Postharmostomum) gallinum Witenberg, 1923.

Harmostomum horisawai Ozaki, 1925.

Harmostomum gallinum: Yamaguti, 1933.

This species had been discovered from Japan by Horisawa (1914) and lately named as *Harmostomum horisawai* by Ozaki (1925). Later then, Yamaguti (1933) obtained many materials from chicken in Kyoto and synonymized this with the species mentioned above. Some other authors also found this species from the domestic fowl of various localities such as Hyogo, Hiroshima, Yamaguchi (Honshu), Fukuoka and Nagasaki (Kyushu) Prefectures in Japan and Taichu in Formosa (cf. Morishita, 1929) and several names were synonymized as enumerated by Yamaguti (1971). We obtained seven specimens of which data are as follows.

Host: Phasianus soemmerringii soemmerringii (Temminck), 2 exx. (Aves: Galliformes: Phasianidae)

Habitat: Caecum.

Locality: Yufuin and Shônai, Oita Prefecture (Kyushu).

Date: December 11, 1970 and February 12, 1978.

One female host collected at Shônai on February 12, 1978, harbored 3 examples of this trematode. Another host did only one

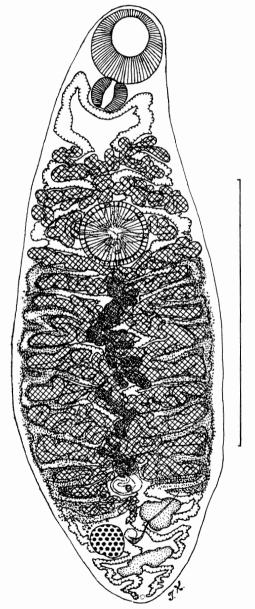


Fig. 1 Postharmostomum gallinum (Witenberg, 1923) from Phasianus s. soemmerringii.

Scale: 5 mm.

example.

Host: Phasianus colchicus versicolor Vieillot, 3 exx.

Habitat: Caecum.

Locality: Ohno and Naoiri, Oita Prefecture (Kyushu).

Date: November 24, 1976 to February 2, 1978

Each of these three hosts harbored only one example.

The results of measurements are compared with those by the previous reports in Table 1. The gonad are of various forms as shown in Fig. 2. The bird genus *Phasianus* is already found to be a host of this trematode in the Asian Continent (cf. Yamaguti, 1971), but the present hosts, *P. soemmerringii* and *P. colchicus versicolor* are the first record for this trematode and the locality (Oita Prefecture) is also new.

Cyclocoelidae

Cyclocoelum (Hyptiasmus) dollfusi Timon-David, 1950, stat. nov. (Fig. 3).

Cyclocoelum (Pseudhyptiasmus) Dollfusi Timon-David, 1950.

Morishitium dollfusi: Yamaguti, 1958.

Cylocoelum (Hyptiasmus) elongatum: Dubois, 1959 (partim, nec Harrah, 1921).

We obtained three specimens of which data are as follows.

Host: Phasianus soemmerringii soemmerringii Temminck, 1♀,

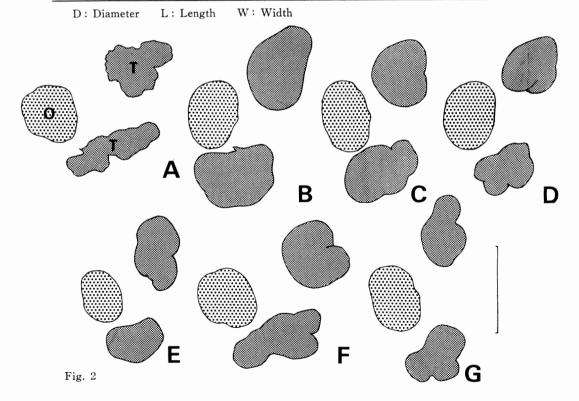
Habitat: Abdominal cavity.

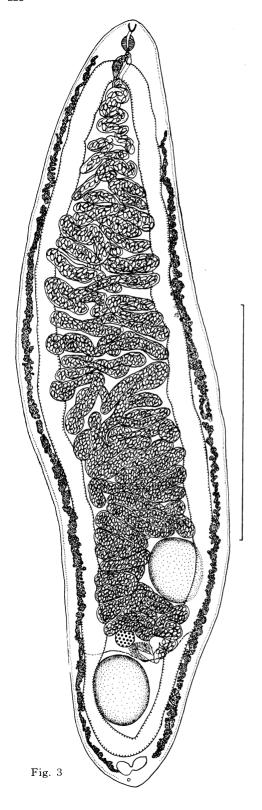
Locality: Yufuin, Oita Prefecture (Kyushu).

- Fig. 2 Variations of the shape and mutual position of the gonads of *Postharmostomum gallinum*.
 - A-D: From Phasianus soemmerringii soemmerringii.
 - A: Yufuin, December 11, 1970; the same specimen in Fig. 1.
 - B-D: Shônai, February 12, 1978.
 - E-G: From P. colchicus versicolor.
 - E: Ohno, November 24, 1976.
 - F: Naoiri, December 9, 1976.
 - G: Detailed locality unknown, February 2,
 - O: ovary T: testis Scale: 1 mm.

Table 1 Measurements of Postharmostomum gallinum (mm)

Authority	Ozaki (1925)	Miyata (1938)	Present authors
Host	Gallus gallus domesticus	Gallus gallus domesticus	Phasianus soemmerringii soemmerringii
			P. colchicus versicolor
Habitat	Caecum	Caecum	Caecum
Locality	Tokyo(?)	Kobe	Oita Pref.
Body	$\begin{pmatrix} L & 11.7 \\ W & 2.7 \end{pmatrix}$	15.68 13.68	11.3 -15.5 2.8 - 4.2
Oral sucker	D 1.2	$\begin{pmatrix} L & 1.568 \\ W & 1.68 \end{pmatrix}$	1.23- 1.53 1.29- 1.48
Acetabulum	D 1.0	$\begin{pmatrix} L & 1.28 \\ W & 1.36 \end{pmatrix}$	1.05- 1.33 1.05- 1.37
Pharynx	D 0.58	$\begin{pmatrix} L & 0.72 \\ W & 0.82 \end{pmatrix}$	$0.54 - 0.77 \\ 0.61 - 0.84$
Anterior testis	$\begin{pmatrix} L & 0.8 \\ W & 0.65 \end{pmatrix}$	$\substack{1.36\\1.04}$	$0.72-\ 1.00$ $0.50-\ 0.82$
Posterior testis	$\begin{pmatrix} L & 1.1 \\ W & 0.7 \end{pmatrix}$	$\substack{1.04\\1.44}$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 0.40 - \ 0.71 \\ 0.62 - \ 1.12 \end{array}$
Ovary	$\begin{pmatrix} L & 0.45-0.80 \\ W & 0.45 \end{pmatrix}$	$0.72 \\ 0.576$	$0.64-\ 0.82$ $0.46-\ 0.62$
Eggs	(L 0.035-0.038 W 0.021-0.022	$0.0338 \\ 0.0182$	0.032- 0.035 0.021- 0.022





Date: February 12, 1975.

This species was discovered from Pica pica Linnaeus collected in Tholonet, France. Dubois (1959) synonymized this with Cyclocoelum (Hyptiasmus) elongatum Harrah, 1921, which had been discovered from a magpie $(C_{Vanopolius} (=C_{Vanopica}) \ cyanus \ (Pallas))$ collected in Nanking, China. We, however, cannot agree with his opinion of such specific synonymization because Timon-David's dollfusi has the broader body and apparently larger testes and ovary than Harrah's elongatum. These differences of sizes of the genital organs may be sufficient to separate these Our Japanese specimens are two species. identical to dollfusi in the morphological characteristics though their host and locality are quite different from the French specimen as shown in Table 2. According to Yamaguti's generic classification (1971), this species apparently belongs to the genus Morishitium Witenberg (1928), and is easily distinguishable from the Japanese congeners, M. vagum (Morishita, 1924) or M. distomatum (Morishita, 1924), by the egg size being twice as large as the latters.

This is the first record of C. (H.) dollfusi from the *Phasianus* bird as well as from Asia.

Summary

Two species of the digenetic trematodes were discovered from Phasianus soemmerringii Temminck, one of the endemic birds in Japan, collected in Oita Prefecture (Kyu-Those are Postharmostomum shu), Japan. gallinum (Witenberg, 1923) (Brachylaimidae) and Cyclocoelum (Hyptiasmus) dollfusi Timon-David, 1950 (Cyclocoelidae). The former species was found from P. colchicus versicolor Vieillot also. All of these host records are new to science and the occurrences of P. gallinum in Oita Prefecture and of C. (H.) dollfusi in Asia are also new records. Dubois' synonymization of C. (H.) dollfusi with C. (H.) elongatum Harrah, 1921, is

Fig. 3 Cyclocoelum (Hyptiasmus) dollfusi Timon-David, 1950 from Phasianus s. soemmerringii. Scale: 5 mm.

Table 2 Measurement of Cyclocoelum (Hyptiasmus) dollfusi and C. (H.) elongatum (mm)

Species	C. (H.) elongatum	C. (H.) dollfusi	
Authority	Harrah (1921)	Timon-David (1950)	Present authors
Host	Cyanopolius cyanus (?)	Pica pica	Phasianus soemmerringii soemmerringii
Habitat	Unknown	Air sac	Abdominal cavity
Locality	Nanking China	Tholonet nr. Aix-en-Provence France	Yufuin Oita Pref.
Body	(L 12-16.5 W 1.5-3	15.5-20 2.9- 4	15.3–16.5 3.2–4.3
Pharynx	(L 0.265-0.330 W 0.215-0.280	$0.25 \\ 0.25$	$\substack{0.25 - 0.30 \\ 0.26 - 0.28}$
Anterior testis	(L 0.640-0.820 W 0.480-0.545	L 0.910-1.350	$1.18-1.38 \\ 1.16-1.24$
Posterior testis	(L 0.415-0.975 W 0.415-0.570		1.32-1.55 $1.24-1.32$
Ovary	D 0.330-0.375	0.32-0.40	$\begin{pmatrix} L & 0.39-0.41 \\ W & 0.44-0.51 \end{pmatrix}$
Eggs	(L 0.112-0.117 W 0.051-0.066	0.120-0.130 0.058-0.060	0.120-0.125 0.065-0.075

D: Diameter L: Length W: Width

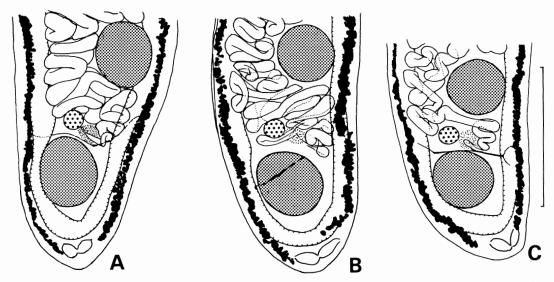


Fig. 4 Variations of the caudal portions of *Cyolocoelum (Hyptiasmus) dollfusi* Timon-David, 1950.

A-C: From *Phasianus s. soemmerringii* collected at Yufuin, February 12, 1975. A is the same specimen in Fig. 3. Scale: 3 mm.

denied by the differences of sizes of body breadth and genital organs.

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九州産キジ類の寄生吸虫2種

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大分県下で採集されたヤマドリ Phasianus soemmerringii soemmerringii Temminck とキジ P. colchicus versicolor Vieillot 各 3 羽より 2 種の吸虫を見出した。その 1 種は鶏盲腸吸虫 Postharmostomum gallinum (Witenberg, 1923) で両宿主の盲腸から見出された。本種は主として西日本のニワトリから見出されているが、大分県からは初めてで、両種とも宿主としては初めての記録となる。もう 1 種はヤマドリ 1 羽の腹腔から 3 隻見出されたもので環腸吸虫科に属する。体の大きさ、精巣・

卵巣の大きさ、卵の計測値をもとに、フランス産カササギより記録された Cyelocoelum (Hyptiasmus) doll fusi Timon-David, 1950 と同定した. Dubois (1959) によれば、本種は中国大陸産オナガより記録された C. (H.) elongatum Harrah, 1921 の異名とされているが、体幅や精巣・卵巣の大きさにかなり差が認められ、異名とするには疑問があるので、別種として扱つた. アジア地域および宿主はともに初記録であり、和名としてはヤマドリカンチョウキュウチュウを提唱する.