

Classification of the microleafhopper genus *Empoa* Fitch from Korea

(Homoptera: Cicadellidae: Typhlocybinae)

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Abstract

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Key words: Auchenorrhyncha, Typhlocybini, morphology, identification, new species.

Introduction

The leafhopper genus *Empoa* Fitch, 1851 represents a zoogeographical trends adaptively to be distributed widely in Holarctic region. This genus is allied to *Edwardsiana* Zachvatkin, but can be characterized in having two apical cells at hindwing; male pygofer lacking microsetae at base; aedeagus with 1-3 pairs of terminal processes at apex.

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Systematics

Genus *Empoa* Fitch, 1851

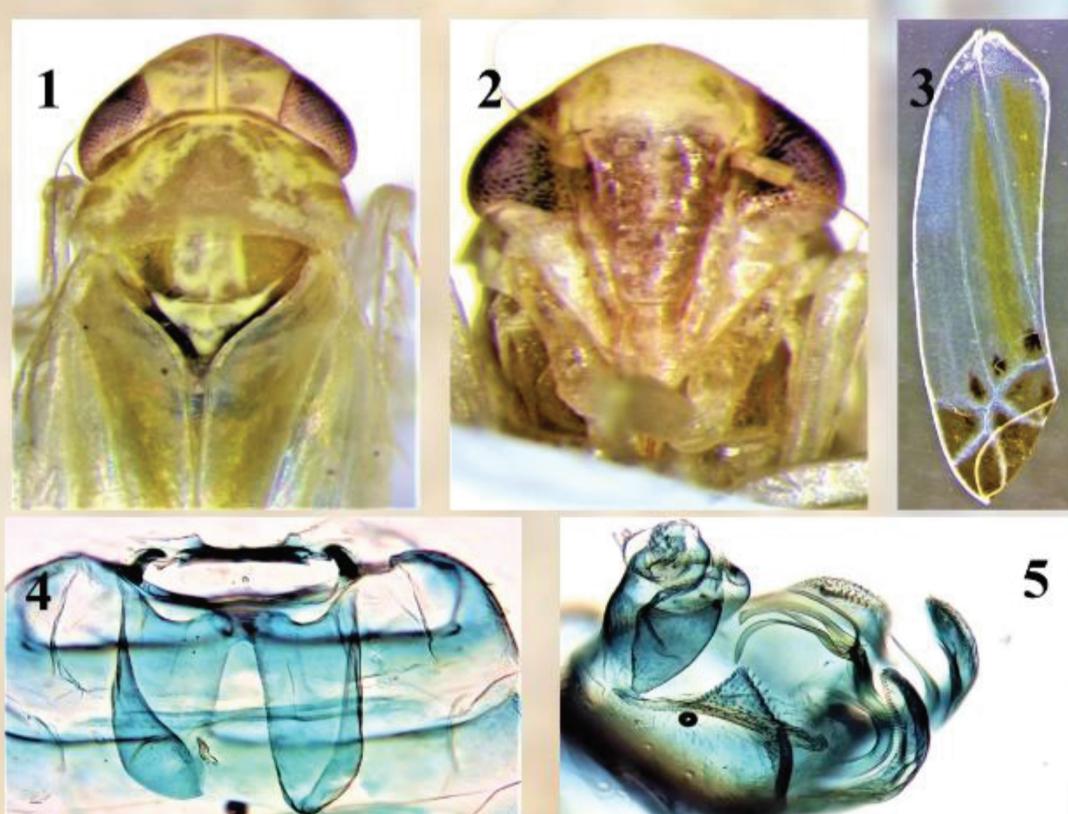
Empoa Fitch, 1851, Ann. Rept. State Cab. Nat. Hist. 4: 63.

Type species: *Empoquaerici* Fitch, 1851.

Type locality: USA.

Key to subgenera of the genus *Empoa* from Korea

- 1. Forewings with stalked 2nd apical cell; aedeagus with 2 pairs of apical processes; dorsal margin of shaft without ridge - - - - - *Empoides*
- Forewings with simple 2nd apical cell; aedeagus with a pair of apical processes and short ridge at base of dorsal margin - - - - - *Parempoa*



Figures 1-5. *Empoa (Empoides) innaesana* sp. nov. 1: head and thorax in dorsal view, 2: face in ventral view, 3: forewing, 4: male abdominal apodeme, 5: male genitalia in caudo-lateral view.

Subgenus *Empoa (Empoides)* Vilbaste, 1968

Empoa (Empoides) Vilbaste, 1968, Ü. Zik. Prim. Geb.: 93.

Type species: *Empoides rubellus* Vilbaste, 1968.

Type locality: Russia (Maritime Territory).

Key to species of the subgenus *Empoides* from Korea

- 1. Male aedeagus recurved posteriorly before base in lateral view, with a median process *E. innaesana* sp. nov.
- Male aedeagus not recurved posteriorly before base in lateral view, lacking a median process ... 2.
- 2. Aedeagus with 1 pair of apical processes incurved forcep-like *E. parva*
- Aedeagus with 2 pairs of apical processes; dorsal margin of shaft without ridge 3.
- 3. Body coloring ruby red; aedeagus with ventral processes slanting dorsad, passing between bases of dorsal processes; dorsal processes lamellate beyond base *E. punicea*
- Body coloring yellow; with longitudinal reddish or brown stripe from vertex or pronotum to apical cells of forewings; aedeagus with processes not as above 4.
- 4. Pygofer lobes with a pair of sclerotized projections on dorsal margin *E. anufrievi*
- Pygofer lobes with single sclerotized projection at dorsal margin 5.
- 5. Aedeagal shaft smooth; processes slanting dorsad, forming an angle with shaft axis; dorsal pair processes flattened, basal half widened, crossed in middle *E. aglaie*
- Aedeagal shaft with spines; processes smoothly arcuate, following shaft axis; dorsal pair processes crossed, narrow; ventral pair processes diverging *E. thalia*

Check list of the subgenus *Empoides* from Korea

1. *Empoa (Empoides) aglaie* (Anufriev, 1968)

Distribution: Korea (North), China (Shaanxi), Mongolia, Russia (Maritime Territory).

2. *Empoa (Empoides) anufrievi* Dworakowska, 1970

Distribution: Korea (North, South), Russia (Maritime Territory).

3. *Empoa (Empoides) fumapicata* Dlabola, 1967

Distribution: Korea (Central), China (Shaanxi), Mongolia, Russia (Maritime Territory, Kuriles).

4. *Empoa (Empoides) innaesana* sp. nov.

Distribution: Korea (new record: South).

5. *Empoa (Empoides) parva* Choe, 1986 nom. nud.

Distribution: Korea (Central).

6. *Empoa (Empoides) punicea* (Matsumura, 1932)

Distribution: Korea (Central, North), Japan (Hokkaido, Honshu), Russia (Maritime Territory).

7. *Empoa (Empoides) thalia* (Anufriev, 1968)

Distribution: Korea (Central, South), Russia (Maritime Territory, E. Siberia).

Subgenus *Parempoa* Anufriev & Emeljanov, 1988

Empoa (Parempoa) Anufriev & Emeljanov, 1988, Keys Ins. Far East USSR 2: 154.

Type species: *Empoa albifascia* Anufriev, 1979.

Type locality: Russia (Maritime Territory).

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8. *Empoa (Parempoa) albifascia* Anufriev, 1979

Distribution: Korea (Central), Russia (Maritime Territory).

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