SEM OBSERVATIONS ON GROWING CONDITIONS OF THE FUNGI IN THE GALLERIES OF SEVERAL AMBROSIA BEETLES (Coleoptera: Scolytidae and Platypodidae)

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INTRODUCTION

Ambrosia beetles cultivate symbiotic fungi in their galleries and feed on the fungi. Many authors have listed the fungi isolated from the galleries and adult beetles, and the conventional methods to identify the fungi have usually been used on the cultivated samples. Therefore, owing to the polymorphic phenomena of the fungi and the artificial culture media which might be more suitable for contaminant than for the symbiotic fungi, there may be a possibility of misjudging other fungi to be the true symbiotic ones.

In the present study, in order to eliminate these problems, the fungi growing in the galleries were directly observed with a scanning electron microscope as a preliminary step to reliable identification.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Pinholed beech logs (Fagus crenata) were collected from beech forests at the Hiyama Forest Experiment Station of Hokkaido University. In order to observe the fungi growing in the galleries of ambrosia beetles, the galleries were aseptically cut from the logs and the exposed walls of the galleries were fixed by 2% CsO4 vapor, then coated with carbon and gold. Observations were made with a scanning electron microscope. To confirm the species of the beetle which made the gallery under observation, only the galleries containing adult beetles were adopted.

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RESULTS

Family Scolytidae

1. **Genus Xyleborus**

In the present study six species were observed. The galleries of these species are of the communal room (or tunnel) type (Table 1), the mother beetle, larvae and pupae living together in the same room or tunnel.

Table 1. Types of galleries.

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1. **Xyleborus seriatus** Blandford

The boring behavior of this species is very similar to that of bark beetles, producing communal galleries under bark. Only _X. seriatus_ out of the six species taken up in this paper bores its room in this manner.

In the present study, 5 samples were observed in late July. Only 2-4 new female adults were contained in the galleries which were about 1mm in width and 20mm in length.

Plate 1 shows the fungi growing on the wall of the gallery nearest to the entrance. Many oval or sausage-shaped fungi (1-2μm X 2-4μm, Plate 1:1a)) were growing on the sticky material painted in the wall. Innermost of the room, wood tissue was exposed at some parts and the sticky material was found to be less than on the part nearest the entrance. The oval fungi were rare and several long club-shaped mycelia were forming bundles (Plate 1:1b and 1c)).
2. *Xyleborus attenuatus* Blandford

The gallery belongs to the communal room type. In the present study, observations were made in late June, early and mid-July, and early December.

In late June, the gallery consisted of a mother tunnel (about 20-50mm in length, with a mother beetle and several larvae) and an egg cradle (about 4mm in depth, with about 10 eggs). At the part adjacent to the entrance of the mother tunnel, a mass of fungi, dark in color, were observed. At the innermost part of the tunnel, the wall was covered with sticky material less dark in color. The round ambrosial cells on the sticky material were big in size (3-7μm) at the part adjacent to the entrance (Plate 2:2a, 2b), medium-sized at the middle part (Plate 2:2c, 2d) and small (1-4μm) at the deep part (Plate 2:2e, 2f). In the egg cradle, the wall was light in color. Sticky material and fungi were not so clear and broken wood tissue was exposed (Plate 3:3a).

In mid-July, the gallery had been widened into a communal room. Several larvae, pupae and new adults co-existed in the communal room. Well-grown fungi were producing ambrosial cells (2-6μm in diameter) forming monilioid chains (Plate 3:3b, 3c).

In December, nearest the entrance, there was only broken wood tissue (Plate 3:3d, 3e). In the deepest part of the gallery, only mycelia and no ambrosial cells were found (Plate 3:3f).

3. *Xyleborus germanus* Blandford

The gallery of this beetle is of the communal room type. The mother beetle deposits about 30-40 eggs in a mother tunnel. Later, the tunnel is widened into a communal room. The size of this room is about 10mm in length, 5mm in height, and 2mm in width. Plate 4 shows the galleries with eggs, larvae, pupae or new adults.

In the present study, galleries were observed in mid-May, early July, and at the end of July.

In mid-May, about 10 hibernated female adults were found in the gallery. The wall was dark gray in color and few mycelia and conidia were growing (Plate 5:5a, 5b, 5c).

Early July was the best breeding season for the larvae and fungi. In the main part of the galleries, well-grown ambrosial cells forming monilioid chains were observed (Plate 5:5d, 5e, 5f). The cells were about 3μm in diameter. On the other hand, in the galleries in which all larvae had already grown to pupae or new adults, the ambrosial cells were somewhat collapsed in shape and there were no monilioid chains (Plate 6:6a, 6b). At the bottom of the galleries, several kind of fungi were observed (Plate 6:6c, 6d).

At the end of July, only new female adults existed in the galleries. The walls were covered with dense mycelial mat, lustrous black in color (Plate 7:7a, 7b, 7c).
4. *Xyleborus saxeseni* Ratzburg

The mother beetle bores a mother tunnel about 40-50mm in length and deposits eggs in clusters there. The tunnel is extended later into a communal room about 20-40mm in width. In the present study, a single gallery was observed at the end of April. Two female and one male adults were still hibernating there.

Several spherical fungi, about 4μm in diameter and irregularly compressed, were making colonies at several places in the gallery (Plate 8:8a, 8b).

5. *Xyleborus ishidai* Niijima

This beetle makes a communal-tunnel type gallery consisting of one or two tunnels about 30-60mm in length and an egg cradle about 4mm in depth. In the present study, observations were made in late June and in early July.

In late June, 3-5 larvae were eating fungi in the tunnels. The tunnel wall was black in color. Somewhat spherical fungi were growing in all parts of the gallery (Plate 9:9a, 9b). The fungi were in the condition of pure culture and their ambrosial cells, 6-7μm in diameter, were forming monilioid chains making a thick mat.

In early July, many new adults were inhabiting the tunnels. The ambrosial cells and monilioid chains were deformed (Plate 9:9c, 9d), and some other fungi were growing at the innermost part of the gallery (Plate 9:9e, 9f).

6. *Xyleborus validus* Eichhoff

The gallery is of the communal tunnel type and very similar to that of *X. ishidai*. Plate 10 shows the eggs and larvae of this beetle in the tunnels. Observations on fungi were made in early June and in early July.

In early June, there were several eggs and no larvae. Near the entrance, the wall was plastered with sticky material and several hemispherical granules, about 2μm in diameter, were growing on the material (Plate 11:11a, 11b).

In early July, spoon-shaped (Plate 11:11c, 11d), sweet-potato-shaped (Plate 11:11e, 11f), and Chinese-yam-shaped (Plate 11:11g, 11h) fungi were growing at the middle and deep parts of the gallery.

II. Genus *Trypodendron*

In the case of the genus *Trypodendron*, both parents take care of their galleries; the male works on boring main tunnels, throwing dust, changing air in the galleries, protecting the galleries from parasitic mites etc.; and the female works on control of the fungal development and breeding larvae.

In the present study, only one species, *T. signatus*, was observed.

7. *Trypodendron signatus* Fabricius
The gallery is of the compound type with individual larval cradles arranged in series both above and below the main tunnels (mother tunnels), which branch in a horizontal plane and cut across the grain of the wood (Table 1). Plate 12 (12a, 12b) shows a pupa or a new adult in the pupal cradle. Observations were carried out in late June and in early July.

In late June, there was an adult pair, eggs, and young larvae in the galleries. Plate 12c) shows a mother tunnel and an egg cradle. Near the entrance of the mother tunnel, broken wood tissue and some fungi were observed (Plate 13: 13a, 13b, 13c)). These fungi were grown thickly at the middle part of the tunnel (Plate 13:13d)), and at the parts nearest the egg cradles (Plate 13:13e), 13f)). At the far end of the tunnels, there were many broken wood tissues and few mycelia (Plate 14:14a, 14b)). In the egg and larval cradles, there were crumpled tape-like mycelia thickly grown, but no ambrosial cells (Plate 14:14c), 14d), 14e), 14f)).

In early July, well-grown ambrosial cells, 4-5\mu m in diameter with many fine wrinkles on the surface, were forming monilioid chains in both the egg and pupal cradles (Plate 15:15a), 15b), 15c), 15d), 15e)). New adults were observed in some pupal cradles.

III. Genus Scolytoplatypus

The type of the galleries of the Scolytoplatypus species is the individual-larval-crade type and very similar to those of the Trypodendron species (Table 1). Plate 16 (16a) and 16b) shows a horizontal and a longitudinal section of a typical gallery of S. shogun. Plate 16 (16c) and 16d)) shows an egg in an egg cradle and a full-grown larva in a pupal cradle of S. shogun respectively.

Previously, Nakashima reported about the fungi growing in the gallery of S. shogun. In the present study, observations were made on three other species which belong to the genus Scolytoplatypus.

8. Scopytoplatypus daimio Blandford

The gallery type of this species is an individual larval cradle type. In the breeding season, a pair of adults takes care of the gallery in cooperation. In the present study, observation was made in early July.

At the time, some new adults were still contained in the pupal cradles and some had already left the galleries. In the mother tunnels, well-grown ambrosial cells were forming monilioid chains (Plate 17:17a, 17b)). These ambrosial cells were very similar to those of S. shogun but a little smaller (7-10\mu m in diameter). These ambrosial cells were few at the part nearest the entrance of the gallery (Plate 17:17c), and well grown at the part nearest the pupal cradles (Plate 17:17d, 17e)). In the pupal cradles, wood tissue was exposed and a few fungi, more or less spherical (1-1.5\mu m in diameter) (Plate 18:18a)) or bundled-rope in shape (Plate 18:18b), 18c)), were growing.
9. *Scolytoplatypus mikado* Blandford

The behavior of this species and its gallery type are very similar to those of *S. shogun* and *S. daimio*. In the present study, the authors had a chance to observe them in early May. Hibernated adults were still inhabiting the pupal cradles. Mother galleries and pupal cradles had been filled with white fungi (Plate 19:19a, 19b), and clustered round spores, about 2\(\mu\)m in diameter, were observed sporadically (Plate 19:19c).

10. *Scolytoplatypus tycon* Blandford

The type of the gallery and behavior of this species are very similar to those of other *Scolytoplatypus* species. In the present study, observation was made in early November.

At the time, the condition of the mycelia was considerably dry. The mycelia were about 10\(\mu\)m in diameter and had many spheres which were about 20-25\(\mu\)m in diameter with many dots on the surface (Plate 20:20a, 20b).

**Family Platypodidae**

**IV. Genus Platypus**

11. *Platypus severini* Blandford

This species differs from the scolytid mentioned above in the type of gallery. The male adult bores main tunnels (mother tunnels) (Plate 21:21a, 21b), followed by the female depositing her eggs in the tunnels (Plate 21:21c). The female adult lives in the inner part of the tunnels and takes care of larvae and symbiotic fungi, while the male adult lives near the entrance of the gallery and casts out larval fecula, exuvia and other waste materials from the gallery. The parents and larvae move freely within the tunnels and feed on the fungi growing in the galleries (Plate 21:21d). Fully grown larvae bore their individual pupal cradles arranged in series both above and below the mother tunnels (Plate 21:21e); Table 1). Observations on the fungi growing in the galleries were made in early May, July and November.

In early May, a pair of adults was in the gallery; however, there were no eggs yet. Mushroom-shaped fungi, 1-2\(\mu\)m in size, were growing near the entrance (Plate 22:22a, 22b, 22c). At the deep part of the gallery, the wall was covered with intertwined mycelia moistened with mucous secretion (Plate 22:22d, 22e, 22f). At the part near the entrance, ambrosial cells, 3-4\(\mu\)m in diameter, were found growing (Plate 23:23a).

In early July, the ambrosial cells had grown at the part near the entrance as in May (Plate 23:23a). At the middle and deep sections of the gallery, other typed fungi, banana-shaped, 1\(\mu\)m in width, 3-4\(\mu\)m in length, and vertically
striped, were growing (Plate 23:23c, 23d). In the pupal cradles, both the round and banana-shaped fungi were mixed in mucous material (Plate 23:23e).

In early November, some round flat fungi, 1-2μm in diameter (Plate 24:24a), and field-horsetail-shaped fungi, 6-10μm in height (Plate 24:24b), were buried in mucous material. In some parts a few filamentous fungi were observed (Plate 24:24c, 24d).

V. Genus Crossotarsus

12. Crossotarsus niponicus Blandford

The boring behavior of this species is similar to that of Platypus severini (Tab' 1). The gallery winds through the sapwood and often penetrates deeply into the heartwood (Plate 25:25a). The female deposits her eggs in the tunnels (Plate 25:25b), and the parents and larvae move freely in the tunnels and feed on the fungi growing on the walls (Plate 25:25c, 25d). The type of pupal cradles is, however, different from that of P. severini. Full-grown larvae bore their pupal cradles parabolically on one side of the tunnels (Plate 25:25e). The adults, eggs, larvae and pupae can be almost continuously observed from spring to late autumn. The gallery is surrounded by characteristic black dyed lines (Plate 25). Observations on the fungi growing in the galleries were done in late July and in early October and November.

In late July, small round cells, 2-3μm in diameter, were on the walls of all galleries (Plate 26:26a, 26b). These round cells appeared to be making no monilioid chains.

In early October, rabbit-ear-like fungi were observed in some pupal cradles (Plate 26:26c, 26d). There were dense mats of fungi at the deep part of the pupal cradles (Plate 26:26e).

In November, felt-like fungus material was found in the pupal cradles (Plate 26:26f)

DISCUSSION

Table I shows the types of the galleries of thirteen species of the ambrosia beetles (12 species in the present study, 1 species from Nakashima8,9). Only X. seriatus bores its tunnels under bark like bark beetles do. The associated fungi of X. seriatus were not similar to those of other Xyleborus spp. Nobuchi11 reported that X. seriatus is strikingly similar to bark beetles in the morphology of the proventriculus. It seems that X. seriatus lives symbiotically with some fungi which are closely related to those associated with bark beetles.

Ten species of the scolytid beetles (X. attenuatus, X. germanus, X. saxeseney, X. ishidai, X. validus, X. signatus, S. shogun, S. daimio, S. mikado and T. tycon) live symbiotically with species-specific fungi which produce their own character-
istic ambrosial cells with monilioid chains. Based on morphological characteristics, these fungi were recognized as *Ambrosiella* spp. Batra\(^{1,2,3}\), Franke-Grosmann\(^5\) and French and Roeper\(^6\) reported that the primary ambrosia fungus of one beetle may sometimes be an auxiliary fungus for other species of ambrosia beetles. In the present study, however, this phenomenon was not confirmed.

In the galleries of *P. severini* and *C. niponicus*, both of which belong to the family Platypodidae, several species of fungi were observed and they were recognized to be symbiotic fungi of those beetles.

The symbiotic fungi of scolytid beetles belong to two or three species including the primary ambrosia fungi, while some species of fungi were recognized for platypodid beetles.

In identifying the symbiotic fungi, the present study is the first step. In the second step, the conditions under which specific ambrosial cells and monilioid chains are made in ordinary or artificial cultures in the laboratory should be examined. Batra\(^{4,9}\) reported that the fungi in the galleries grow like a yeast under continual graze by larvae and adults, while the fungi in an artificial cultural condition are like a thread in shape. Nakashima et al.\(^{10}\), however, have succeeded to observe the feature of ambrosial cells and monilioid chains of *Ambrosiella* sp. under laboratory conditions without continual graze by beetles.

The ambrosia beetles in the present study were collected from the same place (Hiyama, Hokkaido) and from the same beech log. In spite of this, these beetles lived symbiotically with species-specific fungi; therefore, the primary ambrosia fungi were different according to the species of beetles associated. This fact suggests that the symbiotic relationship between the ambrosia beetle and its primary ambrosia fungi is strong and strict. Our final target of research on this field is to know why and how different species of beetles living in the same log have their own specific ambrosia fungi. These sophisticated relationships between beetles and fungi will be cleared by the following steps.

**SUMMARY**

The galleries of 12 species of ambrosia beetles in the beech logs were observed in a scanning electron microscope to investigate the growing conditions of the symbiotic fungi of these beetles. Ten species of the scolytid beetles lived symbiotically with specific fungi, which were recognized as *Ambrosiella* spp. In the galleries of scolytid beetles, some two or three species of fungi including the primary ambrosia fungi were growing. In the galleries of platypodid beetles, however, several kinds of fungi were growing.

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Plate 1. Fungi associated with *Xyleborus seriatus*: 1a), oval or sausage-shaped fungi growing in the gallery at the part nearest the entrance (late July); 1b), long-club-shaped mycelia in the gallery at the deep part (late July); 1c), high magnification of the area surrounded by white lines in 1b) Bars: 10μm
Plate 2. Fungi associated with *X. attenuatus*: 2a), round cells growing on sticky material (the part nearest the entrance, late June); 2b), high magnification of 2a; 2c), round cells at the middle part of the gallery (late June); 2d), high magnification of 2c; 2e), round cells at the innermost part of the gallery (late June); 2f), high magnification of 2e). Bars: 10μm
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25a), tunnel bored in a beech log; 25b), eggs in a tunnel; 25c) and 25d), larvae in a tunnel; 25e), pupae in pupal cradles. Arrow shows the characteristic black line around the galleries of *C. niponicus*. 
Plate 26. Fungi associated with C. niponicus: 26a), small round cells on the wall (late July) ; 26b), high magnification of 26a) ; 26c), rabbit-ear-shaped fungi in pupal cradle (early October) ; 26d), high magnification of 26c) ; 26e), dense mat of fungi at the deep part of pupal cradles (early October) ; 26f), felt-like fungus material in pupal cradles (November). Bars: 26a), 26b), 26d), and 26f) - 10μm ; 26c) and 26e) - 0.1mm
SEM observations on growing conditions of the fungi in the galleries of several ambrosia beetles (Coleoptera: Scolytidae and Platypodidae).

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