THE GENUS PHORBIA IN NEPAL, WITH DESCRIPTIONS
OF FIVE NEW SPECIES
(DIPTERA: ANTHOMYIIDAE)

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Abstract


Thirteen Nepalese species of Phorbia are dealt with. Of them five species, morulina, minuta, pilostyloides, seticauda and nishidai, are described as new to science, and two others, subsymmetrica Fan and oneishanensis Fan, are newly recorded from Nepal. They are separated into 2 groups, here called the *morula* group (10 spp.) and the *pilicerca* group (3 spp.). Two non-Nepalese species, asymmetrica Suwa from Japan and gemmullata Feng et al. from China (Sichuan), are included in the *morula* group, and the North American *Phorbia lobata* (Huckett) probably belongs to this group. Some of the Nepalese species of the *morula* group occur also in Tibet or Sichuan, while no species of the *pilicerca* group have been recorded outside Nepal. The two groups are distinct from each other, and may have respective relatives outside Nepal. They may have originated in the Himalayas, the *morula* group having expanded north to Eurasia and even North America.

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INTRODUCTION

The genus *Phorbia* is a rather small group represented by less than 50 species in the world and mainly Holarctic in distribution. In Nepal 6 species of the genus have been known to occur (Ackland, 1967; Suwa, 1977). Their biology is little known. However, in Europe, *Phorbia haberlandti* (Schiner, 1865) and *Phorbia securis* Tiensuu, 1936 are injurious to the stems of wheat, rye, barley, and other grasses of Gramineae (Jermy, 1953, and others through Hennig, 1969). As pointed out by Hennig (I.c.), their sheath-like ovipositors may indicate that the members of the genus are similar in biology. Vast grasslands and alpine meadows in Asia offer suitable habitats for flies of *Phorbia*, and not a few species are expected to be found there.

In the present study I have examined a large number of specimens of *Phorbia* mostly collected at altitudes between 2,000 and 4,000 m in Nepal. Thirteen species have been found in the collection, and of them, 5 are new to science and 2 others new to Nepal. These species have been determined on the basis of the male. The female specimens at hand are excluded from this study, because I have not succeeded in combining them with the males. These Nepalese species are quite peculiar as will be discussed.

The specimens used here were mostly obtained under the projects the Kyōshū University Scientific Expedition to the Nepal Himalaya, 1972 (East Nepal) and the Research Trips for Agricultural and Forest Insects in the Subcontinent of India, 1983 (Janakpur and Bagmati), and on my private trips 1988 (Bagmati and Gandaki). The specimens from East Nepal are deposited in the collection of the Biological Laboratory, Kyōshū University (BLKU), and others in the Laboratory of Systematic Entomology, Hokkaidō University (SEHU), unless otherwise stated. Some specimens are deposited in the Entomology Division, Agricultural Department, Nepal (EDAN), and in the Natural History Museum, London (BM).

I have examined further specimens of *Phorbia* collected in Nepal and India (see Appendix). They belong to 4 species, which, however, are represented by the female only except for *P. omeishanensis*.

**Genus Phorbia Robineau-Desvoidy**

*Phorbia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830: 559. Type-species: *Phorbia musca* R.-D., 1830 (= *Anthomyia sepia* Meigen, 1826), designated by Coquillett (1910).

The genus, following the concept of Hennig (1976), is characterized by the club-shaped or conical abdomen, the 5th sternite with a fringe or mat of short setulae along inner margin of each process, and the simple distiphallus with a simple acrophallus in the male, and by the sheath-like ovipositor with recurved apices on the cerci in the female.

The Nepalese species are generally characterized in the male as follows:

Body including appendages blackish in ground colour, and basically pale grey or bluish grey in pollinosity, the bluish colour often hardly discernible due to strong brownish tinge especially on dorsum of the body. Head variously tinged with brown in pollinosity; haustellar mentum pollinose. Mesonotum wholly pollinose in frontal view, usually with short black vittae along rows of *dc* posteriorly and black vittae
or patches along rows of ia or on lateral declivities, in caudal view largely blackish and partly pollinose in most species. Abdomen wholly pollinose in frontal view, and broadly blackish medially in caudal view. Wings tinged with brown or dark brown, much darker basally; calypterae whitish, slightly tinged with yellow especially on margin; halteres dark brown at base and yellow, sometimes reddish or dark yellow, at knob.

Frons up to about twice as wide as anterior ocellus, rarely narrower than the latter; ors absent; A₃ usually less than twice as long as wide; arista distinctly pubescent even if the longest hairs are shorter than basal diameter of arista; genal setae in 2-3 rows; epistoma (in profile) sometimes protruded (forward) a little beyond (the vertical line from the tip of) parafrontal angle in certain species, yet never extremely standing back from (the line from tip of) the angle; occiput with some setulae in a row on upper plane.

Mesonotum with pre-acr closely approximated to each other (when they are present and paired); pra well developed, as long as or longer than anterior ntpl; prpl usually 2 in number; stipl 1 : 2, below the lower posterior an additional finer seta usually discernible; scutellum sparsely to rather densely haired ventrally though occasionally bare in certain species. Abdomen club-shaped; genital pouch with a sack-shaped or fingerstall-like process, which is membranous or chitinized, present on right side between 6th sternite and pregenital sclerite (Figs. 164-170).

Mid femur usually with 1 or a few strong av on median third and some strong pv on basal half to two-thirds; t₃ with av occasionally appearing in certain species, and usually or constantly present in some others; t₄ without apical pv. Wings with costa setulose even if sparsely on ventral side close to lower row of spinules; posterior cross-vein hardly to a little sinuate.

The species treated here and their distributions are as follows:

2. P. morulina sp. nov. Nepal.
10. P. pilostyloides sp. nov. Nepal.

Distribution of some characters in the Nepalese species is summarized in Table 1. For comparison two non-Nepalese species, Phorbia sho Suwa, 1991, from Japan and Phorbia penicillaris (Stein, 1916) from Europe, are included in the table. As in the case of the non-Nepalese species of Phorbia, the Nepalese species are separated into 2 groups: - one is characterized by the hook-shaped (twisted) acrophallus, and the other by the sting-like one. According to Michelsen (1987) “The phallic structure, in particular the acrophallus with its asymmetrical free apex twisted to the right, appears identical in the ground plan of both groups (Heterostylodes and
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Phorbia + Boreophorbia)." Therefore it is uncertain whether the group formed by the hook-shaped acrophallus alone is monophyletic or paraphyletic. Apart from this, the Nepalese species of this group are characterized by the hypandrium with a chitinous covering at base (Figs. 32–33), which is quite unique not only among the species of Phorbia but also among the whole family of Anthomyiidae. It is, therefore, very probable that they form a monophyletic group, here called the morula group. On the other hand, the sting-like acrophallus is considered as apomorphic, and the group with this character, consisting of both Nepalese and non-Nepalese species, may be monophyletic. The Nepalese species of this group are characterized and derivative in having a tuft of ramified setae on the cercal plate, so that the pilicerca group is here recognized for them. All the non-Nepalese species with a sting-like acrophallus are clearly different from the pilicerca group in some features.

1. Morula group. In addition to the chitinous covering on the hypandrium, the presence of a fringe or patch of fine ventral hairs on the surstyli is constitutive for the group. The 5th sternite with half-depressed processes is commonly seen in Phorbia and Heterostylodes, and the sternite with subapically notched processes is widely seen in Phorbia irrespective of the acrophallic state. Both these characters may take part in the ground plan of Phorbia, though variously modified subsequently. In the morula group the 5th sternite has the processes generally well depressed and edged on inner margin. The sternite of this type is derivative in the genus, and may be constitutive for the morula group. The 6th tergite is variously united with the pregenital sclerite in Phorbia, closely adjoining the sclerite if little fused. A little fused condition is primitive in Phorbia. Largely fused conditions are seen in all the members of the morula group, but are also found in some non-Nepalese species of Phorbia with a hook-shaped acrophallus, e.g. P. molinialis (Karl, 1917), P. longipilis (Pandelle, 1990), and P. asiatica Hsue, 1981, which, however, are not particularly close to the Nepalese species. Fused conditions may have developed in the morula group independently of other species. This group is further divided into 2 subgroups: the morula subgroup and the lobatoides subgroup.

Morula subgroup. The 6th sternite with a pair of distinct protuberances (Figs. 172–178) and the asymmetrical cercal plate are characteristic of this subgroup. The pregonites are remarkably asymmetrical in all the members of this subgroup. The surstyli are variable, being symmetrical to greatly asymmetrical. The process on the right side of the genital pouch is chitinized and not tomentose. Here are included 7 species: morula, morulina, subsymmetrica, minuta, nepalensis, omeishanensis, and tsioni. Of them 3 species have also been found in Tibet or China (Sichuan). The Japanese Phorbia asymmetrica Suwa, 1974, belongs to this subgroup.

Lobatoides subgroup. The constitutive characters for this subgroup are the chitinous expansions connecting the bases of the surstyli (cf. Figs. 107–108) and the practically divided cercal plate with a broad median groove. The process on the right side of the genital pouch is membranous or chitinized, and more or less tomentose. The pregonites and the surstyli are asymmetrical in certain species. Three species are placed here: lobatoides, pilostyla and pilostyloides. P. pilostyla is also known from Tibet. The Chinese Phorbia gemmullata Feng et al., 1984, from Sichuan, belongs to this subgroup. The North American Phorbia lobata (Huckett, 1929) may also be placed here. Further, Phorbia ponti Hennig, 1969, known from Germany, Phorbia personi Hennig, 1976, from Siberia and China (Xinjiang), and
Phorbia hypandrium Li et Deng, 1981, from China (Sichuan), might belong to this subgroup, but I am still uncertain about their exact positions.

2. Pilicerca group. In addition to the cercal plate with a tuft of ramified setae, the much narrowed pregonites are characteristic of this group. The process on the right side of the genital pouch is membranous and tomentose. Among the non-Nepalese species of Phorbia with a sting-like acrophallos, P. penicillaris (Stein, 1916) and its allies are similar to this group in the 5th sternite with rod-like processes, the surstyli with a bladed distal part, and the cercal plate with a dense tuft of setae, but they are clearly different from the group in other features. The pilicerca group are represented by 3 species: pilicerca, seticauda and nishidai, none of them having been recorded outside Nepal.

As stated above, the morula and the pilicerca groups are distinct from each other, and may have respective relatives outside Nepal.

The parafrontals without ors and the ventrally haired scutellum are commonly found in the two groups, and the genital pouch with a hollow process is seen exclusively in them. The agreements in these characters may be interpreted as homoplastic.

The distinctness of the groups and the concentration of the species in Nepal suggest that the groups originated in the Himalayan region and that the morula group expanded north to Eurasia and even North America. A similar evolutionary scenario was presented for the alticola group of Pegomya (Suwa, 1984).

**KEY TO THE SPECIES OF PHORBIA KNOWN FROM NEPAL (MALES)**

1. Cereal plate with a dense tuft of ramified setae; 5th sternite with processes rod-like; mesonotum without pre-acr; $t_2$ with $av$ present, usually 2 in number; distiphallus with a sting-like acrophallos; hypandrium without a chitinous covering at base; 6th tergite fused with pregenital sclerite only near right 6th spiracle. ................... pilicerca group: 2

- Cereal plate without a tuft of setae, and with no setae ramified; 5th sternite with processes blade-like; mesonotum usually with pre-acr; $t_2$ with $av$ present or absent, when present usually 1 in number; distiphallus with a hook-shaped acrophallos; hypandrium with a chitinous covering at base; 6th tergite fused with pregenital sclerite at least on right half. ................................................... morula group: 4

2. Mesopleura with a single $pstg$; genital pouch with a membranous fingerstall-like process at left side (Fig. 171) in addition to right process; surstyli with a distinct notch discriminating distal blade on ventral side (Fig. 151). ................................. 13. nishidai sp. nov.

- Mesopleura with 2 $pstg$; genital pouch without any process apart from right one; surstyli without a notch ventrally. ............................................................ 3

3. Fifth sternite with processes not constricted near apex (Figs. 130-131); cercal plate with tuft of setae covering more than distal half, the setae shorter than the plate itself (Figs. 140, 142). ............................................................ 11. pilicerca Suwa

- Fifth sternite with processes constricted near apex (Figs. 138-139); cercal plate with tuft of setae covering less than distal half, most of the setae longer than the plate itself (Figs. 132-133). ................................................... 12. seticauda sp. nov.

4. Cercal plate symmetrical, broadly grooved medially and practically divided into 2 pads; surstyli each with a chitinous expansion at base inside and connected with each other through the expansions; 6th sternite with no protuberances medially; pregonites symmetrical, at most the right one only a little larger. ................................. lobatoides subgroup: 5

- Cercal plate asymmetrical, a little to much developed on left side, and not grooved medially; surstyli without a chitinous expansion at base inside and widely separated; 6th sternite with a pair of small protuberances medially; pregonites greatly asymmetrical, the right one
always much larger. .............................................. morula subgroup: 7
5. Mid tibia with no av; surstyli with a lobe developed near middle inside, and with a small
patch of short hairs near the lobe ventrally (Figs. 106-107). .......................... 8. lobatoides Suwa
- Mid tibia with or without 1 av; surstyli without a lobe, and with a dense fringe of longer
hairs ventrally. .............................................................. 6
6. Terminalia as in Figs. 112-119; cercal plate long setose; surstyli distinctly asymmetrical,
each expanded near middle dorsally in profile. .......................... 9. pilostyla Suwa
- Terminalia as in Figs. 120-129; cercal plate shortly setose; surstyli almost symmetrical,
and hardly expanded dorsally in profile. .......................... 10. pilostyloides sp. nov.
7. Cercal plate greatly asymmetrical, much more protruded caudad on left side, and only with
a slight swelling or a short lobe on the right apically. .......................... 8
- Cercal plate less greatly asymmetrical, well protruded caudad on both sides to produce a pair
of developed distal lobes, which are not much different in length. ........................ 11
8. Cercal plate with left distal lobe weakly developed and much shorter than half length of the
plate (Figs. 61-62). .......................................................... 4. minuta sp. nov.
- Cercal plate with left distal lobe very well developed and as long as or longer than half
length of the plate. .................................................................... 9
9. Fifth sternite with processes longer than twice the median length of basal plate and nearly
parallel-sided in profile (Figs. 91-92). ............................... 7. tysoni Ackland
- Fifth sternite with processes shorter than twice the median length of basal plate and not
parallel-sided in profile. .............................................................. 10
10. Epandrium acute at anterodorsal corner in profile (Fig. 76); 5th sternite with processes
gradually narrowed near apex (Fig. 74). ............................. 5. nepalensis Suwa
- Epandrium obtuse at anterodorsal corner in profile (Fig. 85); 5th sternite with processes
abruptly narrowed near apex (Fig. 83). .............................. 6. omieishanensis Fan
11. Terminalia as in Figs. 1-26; 5th sternite with processes usually not notched subapically on
inner margin; cercal plate, inclusive of distal lobes, as long as or only a little longer than
wide. .......................................................... 1. morula Ackland
- Fifth sternite with processes usually a little notched subapically on inner margin; cercal
plate, inclusive of distal lobes, much longer than wide. ............................. 12
12. Terminalia as in Figs. 27-46; cercal plate in profile with distal lobes much broadened;
surstyli robust and weakly curved ventrad. .............................. 2. morulina sp. nov.
- Terminalia as in Figs. 47-58; cercal plate in profile with distal lobes narrowly maintained;
surstyli narrow and strongly curved ventrad. ............................. 3. subsymmetrica Fan

DESCRIPTIONS OF THE SPECIES

1. Phorbia morula Ackland  
(Figs. 1-26, 158, 164-165, 172)


Material examined*: W. Nepal: Baitadi, Tinkar Khola, 13,000 ft., 1♂  
(holotype of morula), 3. vii. 1953 (J.B. Tyson). Dhaulagiri: Ulleri, ca. 2,000 m, 5♂,  
11. vi. 1968 (T. Kumata). Bagmati: Sing Gompa (=Syng Gomba) – Gosainkund,  
3,300–3,700 m, 23♂, & 3,700–4,300 m, 61♂, 24. v. 1988; Gosainkund, 4,300 m, 1♂, 4. 
vi. 1968 (T. Kumata); Ghopte – Gosainkund, 3,500–4,000 m, 28♂, 25. v. 1988; 
Ghopte – Thare Pati, 3,400–3,600 m, Gosainkund Lekh, 54♂, 26. v. 1988; Thare 
Pati, Helambu, 4♂, 6. vi. 1968 (T. Kumata); Magen Gotha – Thare Pati, 3,200–3,600

* The specimens were collected by myself unless otherwise stated; MT=Malaise Trap; 
KU=Kyushu University Party.
Figs. 1-5. *Phorbia morula* Ackland, ♂. 1–2, 5th sternite, ventral view; 3, ditto, ventrolateral view; 4–5, process of 5th sternite, ventrolateral view. Sing Gompa – Gosainkund (Figs. 1, 3; 2), Magen Gotha – Thare Pati (4), and Baitadi (5, holotype).
Figs. 6-10. *Phorbia morula* Ackland, ♂. 6-8, hypopygium, dorsal view; 9-10, cercal plate, dorsal view. Sing Gompa - Gosainkund (6, 9; 7), Baitadi (8, holotype), and Magen Goth - Thare Pati (10).


♂. Wing-length 3-4.1 mm. Pollinosity brownish grey, sometimes paler, yet rarely whitish or silvery grey even on orbits. Halteres usually a little darkened at knob.

Frons wider than anterior ocellus, usually 1.5-2 times as wide as the latter; interfrontalia as wide as or slightly wider, rarely narrower, than anterior ocellus, with ♂ distinct or often reduced to disappearance; 4-6 ori; A₃ 1.5-1.8 times as long
Figs. 11–26. *Phoria morula* Ackland, ♂. 11–14, hypopygium, lateral view; il, inside lobe; vl, ventrolateral lobe; 15, left surstylus, inside view; 16–18, ditto, dorsolateral view; 19–22, ditto, ventrolateral view; 23, basiphallus and distiphallus; 24, left pregonite and postgonite; 25, right pregonite; 26, ditto, inside view. Sing Gompa - Gosainkund (11, 15–16, 19; 13, 20), Magen Gotha - Thare Pati (12), Baitadi (14, 18, 22, holotype), Ghopte - Thare Pati (17), Thudam (21), and Tanga La (23–26).
as wide; arista with the longest hairs as long as or slightly shorter than basal
diameter of arista; orbits (at parafrontal angle) as wide as to distinctly wider than
A₃; cheeks a little higher than orbital width (at parafrontal angle); epistoma
protruded as far as, or a little beyond, parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with 2-5 rather fine pre-acr in 2 rows; 2nd ph usually a little
stronger than adjacent setulae; mesopleura with no, at most 1, associated setula
around psdg; scutellum usually rather densely haired on ventral side, at least with
some hairs discernible.

Abdomen with terminalia shaped as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes
at most very faintly notched on inner margin near apex, and usually not so at all;
cercal plate, inclusive of distal lobes, as long as or only a little longer than wide; the
lobes nearly same in length, yet the right one less expanded dorsad and usually a
little concave on dorsal line in profile; surstyli symmetrical to each other and
distinctly bent ventrad near apical third, in profile blunt and apiculate distally, or
sometimes knife-shaped, and with ventrolateral lobe pointed medially; both
pregonites pilose near ventral margin inside, though often bare.

Mid femur with a few or some rather distinct av on basal third and usually with
1 or a few strong av on median third, and with some (4-8) strong pv on basal half
to two-thirds, sometimes some rather developed pv, inclusive of 1 or 2 ordinary pv
near apex, being discernible on apical third and forming a complete row together
with proximal pv; f₃ with a row of 6-8 strong av, and on basal half to two-thirds
with some pv, which are usually divided into 1 weak pv near base and a few or some
stronger pv on median third, the longest pv, without regard to prebasal one(s), at
most as long as f₃-height; t₁ with 1-2 pv and no or rarely 1 ad; t₂ with 1 ad, 2 or
sometimes 1 pd and 2 pv, and often with 1 av; t₃ with 2-4 (usually 3) av, 2-3 or
sometimes 4 ad, 4-7 pd (not uniform in length, 2-4 setae strong) and 0-3 (usually 1-
2) pv. Wings with costal thorns as long as or a little shorter than h-vein (measured
on outer margin), rarely longer than the latter.

Remarks. The holotype of morula is rather unusual in some features of the
terminalia among the specimens at hand identified with the species: cercal plate on
dorsal view with posteroventral margin deeply emarginated and not convex medially
(Fig. 8), and in profile much swollen caudad, with right distal lobe not concave on
dorsal line (Fig. 14); surstyli not blunt apically in profile, and with inside lobe
distinctly notched at anterior joint (Fig. 18). Nevertheless, these features are variable to some extent (e.g., Figs. 10, 12 and 17) and the holotype shows extreme
characters in some features. The chitinous covering at the base of the hypandrium
is illustrated in the original description (Fig. 65, Ackland, 1967).

2. Phorbia morulina sp. nov.
(Figs. 27-46, 159, 173-174)

Type material. Bagmati: Ghora Tabela - Langtang, 3,000-3,400 m, Langtang
Valley, 16♂♀ (one the holotype), 15. v. 1988, 20♂♀, 19. v. 1988, 1♂♀, 12. ix. 1983, and 1
♂♀, 19. ix. 1983; "Lama Hotel" - Ghora Tabela, 2,500-3,000 m, 28♂♀, 21. v. 1988, and
1♂♀, 19. ix. 1983; Ghora Tabela, 3,000 m, 99♂♀, 20.v.1988; Langtang - Kyanjing,
3,400-3,800 m, 1♂♀, 16-18. v. 1988; Dhunche - Syabru, 1,800-2,300 m, Gosainkund
Lekh, 1♂♀, 13. v. 1988; Syabru - Sing Gompa, 2,700-3,000 m, 1♂♀, 21. ix. 1983, and
Figs. 27-38. *Phorbia morulina* sp. nov., ♂. 27, 5th sternite, ventral view; 28, ditto, ventrolateral view; 29-31, process of 5th sternite, ventrolateral view; 32, hypandrium, ventral view; 33, ditto, lateral view, cc, chitinous covering; 34, basiphallus and distiphallus; 35, ditto, ventral view; 36, left pregonite and postgonite; 37, right pregonite and postgonite; 38, right pregonite, inside view. Holotype from Ghora Tabela - Langtang (27-28, 34-38), and paratypes from Ghora Tabela (29; 31), Sing Gompa - Gosainkund (30), and Langtang - Kyanjing (32-33).
Figs. 39-46. Phorbia morulina sp. nov., ♂. 39-40, hypopygium, dorsal view, inside lobes inclined in Fig. 40; 41, cercal plate; 42, hypopygium, lateral view; 43, left surstylus, inside view; 44, ditto, dorsolateral view; 45-46, ditto, ventrolateral view. Holotype from Ghora Tabela – Langtang (39, 41-45) and paratype from Syabru – Sing Gompa (40, 46).

♂. Much resembling the preceding morula, yet larger in size on average and often paler in pollinosity. Wing-length 3.3-5 mm. Pollinosity brownish grey, often paler, and sometimes largely bluish grey with brownish pollinosity discernible on face (rather weakly), on interfrontalia, on mesonotum especially along rows of setae, on mesopleura along dorsal to posterior margin, and on abdomen medially. Halteres often slightly darkened at knob.

Frons a little wider than anterior ocellus, usually 1.2-1.6 times as wide as the latter; interfrontalia a little narrower than anterior ocellus, with if usually minute and often hardly discernible unless carefully examined; 4-7 ori; A 3 1.7-2.2 times as long as wide; orbits a little to much wider than A 3 , up to 1.8 times as wide as the latter; arista with the longest hairs as long as or a little longer than basal diameter of arista; epistoma rarely protruded beyond parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with 0-4 pre-acr; 2nd ph fine or slightly stronger than adjacent setulae, sometimes completely lacking; scutellum rather densely haired ventrally.

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes usually a little notched on inner margin near apex; cercal plate, inclusive of distal lobes, much longer than wide; the lobes different in length, left one a little longer and more expanded dorsal to posterior margin; surstyli almost symmetrical and gently curved ventrad, in profile knife-shaped on apical part, and with ventrolateral lobe obtusely expanded medially; both pregonites with inside pilosity hardly to rather well developed.

Mid femur with 3-5 strong pv; f 3 with the longest pv as long as to distinctly longer than f 3 -height, rarely shorter than the latter; t 1 with no ad and 1 or sometimes 2 pv; t 2 sometimes with 1 av; t 3 with 2-5 pd and 1-3 pv. Wings with costal thorns well developed, sometimes a little, yet usually distinctly longer than h-vein.

Remarks. In most external features the present species is very similar to the foregoing morula, and the succeeding subsymmetrica, and it is not easy to identify specimens unless their terminalia are examined. The well-developed costal thorns in morulina is useful in distinguishing the species from morula, yet often unhelpful in distinguishing it from subsymmetrica. The cercal plate with well-swollen profile and the surstyli with deeply concave ventral side are common to morula and morulina, but not to subsymmetrica.

3. Phorbia subsymmetrica Fan
(Figs. 47-58, 175)

Phorbia subsymmetrica Fan, in Fan et al., 1982 : 234; Fan et al., 1988 : 140.

Material examined. Bagmati: “Lama Hotel” - Ghora Tabela, 2,500-3,000 m,

♂. Very similar to the preceding two species, morula and morulina. Wing-length 3.3-4.3 mm. Pollinosity brownish grey; orbits much paler in pollinosity, whitish grey and a little brownish, though brownish pollinose on upper narrowed area of parafrontalia. Halteres rarely darkened at knob.

Frons as wide as or a little wider than anterior ocellus, rarely wider than 1.5 times of the latter width; interfrontalia usually about half as wide as anterior

ocellus, with if minute and hardly discernible unless carefully examined, or sometimes rather distinct; 4-6 ori; A₃ shorter than twice the width, usually 1.7-1.9 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs as long as or a little longer than basal diameter of arista; orbits as wide as or slightly wider than A₃; cheeks as high as or a little higher than orbital width; epistoma rarely protruded beyond parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with 2-4 (rarely 5) pre-acr; 2nd ph fine; scutellum sparsely to rather densely haired on ventral side.
Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes a little notched on inner margin near apex; cercal plate distinctly convex on posteroventral margin medially, and with distal lobes narrowly maintained both in dorsal and lateral views, the left lobe a little longer than the right; surstyli symmetrical, distinctly bent ventrad near apical third, and not concave on haired area of ventral surface, with ventrolateral lobe little developed; both pregonites with inside pilosity barely discernible or completely lacking.

Mid femur with 3–6 strong \( pv \); \( f_2 \) with the longest \( pv \) shorter to sometimes slightly longer than \( f_2 \)-height; \( t_1 \) with no \( ad \) and 1 or sometimes 2 \( pv \); \( t_2 \) occasionally with 1 \( av \); \( t_3 \) with a few strong and usually a few weaker \( pd \) and with 0–3 \( pv \). Wings with costal thorns shorter than, often as long as or a little longer than, \( h \)-vein.

Remarks. The cercal plate with well-prolonged distal lobes is often observable even in dried specimens and very useful in identification. The lobes figured in the original description of *subsymmetrica* are same in length, yet the left lobe is always a little longer than the right in the present material examined (16 specimens dissected). The surstyli are deeply concave on the haired area of the ventral surface in the other species of the *morula* subgroup, and more or less so in *pilostyla* of the *lobatoides* subgroup. The surstyli with little concave ventral surface in the present species may be derivative.

4. *Phorbia minuta* sp. nov.

(Figs. 59–72, 176)

Type material. Janakpur: Dongo Kharka – Beding, 3,000–3,300 m, Rolwaling Valley, 3\( \sigma \) (one the holotype), 22-23. viii. 1983; Beding, 3,300–3,700 m, 2\( \sigma \), 16. viii. 1983. Bagmati: Ghora Tabela – Langtang, 3,000–3,400 m, 1\( \sigma \), 19. v. 1988; Langtang – Kyanjing, 3,400–3,800 m, 2\( \sigma \), 16-18. v. 1988; Magen Gotha – Thare Pati, 3,200–3,600 m, Helambu, 6\( \sigma \), 27. v. 1988. Two paratypes from Magen Gotha – Thare Pati are deposited in EDAN.

\( \sigma \). Wing-length 2.9–3.8 mm. Pollinosity brownish grey; orbits not whitish or silvery grey in pollinosity.

Frons as wide as to distinctly wider than anterior ocellus, usually about 1.5 times as wide as the latter; interfrontalia as wide as or narrower than anterior ocellus, with a pair of rather distinct to strong *if* (often unpaired); 3–5 *ori*; \( A_3 \) 1.5–1.8 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs slightly shorter to slightly longer than basal diameter of arista; orbits as wide as or slightly narrower, rarely wider, than \( A_3 \); cheeks usually a little higher than orbital width; epistoma protruded as far as parafrontal angle, or situated a little behind the latter.

Mesonotum with 2–3, or sometimes 4, *pre-acr*; 2nd *ph* fine, sometimes lacking; scutellum at most with some (6 in the present material) hairs discernible on ventral surface, occasionally bare.

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes rather sparsely setulose along inner margin and not notched near apex; outer marginal setae not strong except for a few ones near apex; cercal plate distinctly protruded caudad on left side, yet only a little on the right; surstyli rather distinctly asymmetrical, with inside lobe reduced to a small projection; pregonites with inside pilosity discernible though sparse on the left one.
Figs. 59–72. *Phorbia minuta* sp. nov., ♂. 59, 5th sternite, ventral view; 60, process of 5th sternite, ventrolateral view; 61, hypopygium, dorsal view; 62, cercal plate, slightly cephalic view; 63, hypopygium, dorsal view; 64, cercal plate, slightly cephalic view, showing asymmetrical development on distal part; 65–66, hypopygium, left lateral view; 67, ditto, right lateral view; 68, left surstylus, dorsolateral view; 69, ditto, ventrolateral view; 70, basiphallus and distiphallus; 71, ditto, distiphallus, ventral view; 72, left pregonite and postgonite; 73, right pregonite; 74, ditto, inside view. Paratypes from Magen Gotha - Thare Pati (59–63, 65–72) and Ghora Tabela - Langtang (64).
Mid femur near middle usually with 1 or a few strong av, on basal third to half with some slightly developed av, on apical third to half sometimes with some slightly developed av, and on basal half to two-thirds with some (3-5) strong pv; f3 with a row of 6-10 (sometimes 4-5) strong or rather strong av, and with a few weak pv near base and 1 or a few rather strong pv on median third, the longest pv being variable in length, distinctly shorter to distinctly longer than f3-height; t1 with 1 or sometimes 2 pv and no ad; t2 with 1 av, 1 ad, 1-3 (usually 2) pd and 1-3 (usually 2) pv; t3 with 2-3 (sometimes 4-5) av, 2 strong and usually 1 or a few weaker ad, 2-3 strong and usually a few weaker pd and 0-4 (usually 1) pv. Wings with costal thorns rather small, as long as or a little shorter than h-vein (only a little longer than the vein in 1 specimen).

Remarks. This species is peculiar in the morula subgroup in having the cercal plate less protruded caudad, the surstyli comparatively broad in dorsal aspect and the 5th sternite with fewer strong outer marginal setae. The presence of 1 av on t2 is stable and recognized in all the material examined (14 specimens).

5. Phorbia nepalensis Suwa
   (Figs. 73–81, 161–162, 177–178)


♂. Wing-length 3.4–4.6 mm. Pollinosity pale brownish grey to brownish grey, in paler specimens mesonotum with brownish pollinose vittae discernible along rows of setae; orbits mainly whitish grey pollinose, faintly to rather distinctly tinged with brown; 5th sternite with processes strongly shining and polished along inner margin especially near subapical angle. Halteres rarely darkened at knob.

Frons as wide as or a little wider than anterior ocellus; interfrontalia narrower than anterior ocellus, with if vestigial or completely lacking, rarely developed; 5–7 ori; A3 1.5–1.8 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs as long as or a little shorter than basal diameter of arista; orbits as wide as or a little wider than A3; cheeks as high as to distinctly higher than orbital width; epistoma protruded as far as parafrontal angle, or situated a little behind the latter.

Mesonotum with 2-6 (usually 4–5) pre-acr; 2nd ph a little stronger than adjacent setulae, rarely well developed; scutellum rather sparsely haired ventrally, sometimes with only a few hairs, yet rarely bare.

Abdomen well swollen posteriorly (Figs. 161–162), with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes gradually narrowed apically; epandrium protruded anterodorsally (posterodorsally in undissected specimens) and acute there in profile, with an almost complete row of setae along inner margin surrounding anus; cercal plate with left distal lobe a little concave outside; surstyli slightly
asymmetrical to each other, with inside lobe prominently projected cephalad, and with outside lobe divided into inner and outer blades by a dorsomedial notch (Fig. 77); right pregonite densely pilose inside near ventral margin; left pregonite with pilosity less developed than that of right one and easily to hardly discernible.

Mid femur with 1 or a few distinct or usually strong *av* on median third and some weaker *av* on basal third to half, often with some *av* more or less developed on distal part beyond the strong *av*, and with some (4-8) *pv* on basal half to two-thirds, most of the *pv* well developed and strong; *f3* with a row of 5-9 strong *av*, and with 1 or a few weak *pv* near base and 2-4 distinct or rather strong *pv* on median third, the longest *pv* being variable in length, shorter to a little longer than *f3*-height; *t1* with 1 or sometimes 2 *pv* and usually no *ad*; *t2* with 1 (rarely 0 or 2) *av*, 1 *ad*, usually 2 *pd* and 2 or sometimes 3 *pv*; *t3* with 3 or sometimes 4 *av*, 3-5 *ad*, 3-7 (2-4 strong and 1 or a few weaker) *pd* and 1 or a few *pv*. Wings with costal thorns...
Figs. 75–81. *Phoria nepalensis* Suwa, ♂. 75, hypopygium, dorsal view; 76, ditto, lateral view; 77, left surstylus, inside view, ib, inner blade, ob, outer blade; 78, basiphallus and distiphallus; 79, distiphallus, ventral view; 80, left pregonite and postgonite; 81, right pregonite, inside view. Sing Gompa – Gosainkund.
small, distinctly shorter than h-vein.

Remarks. This species is easily distinguished from any other known species from Nepal by the well-protruded epandrium without dissecting genitalia. *P. nepalensis* is closely related to the succeeding *omeishanensis*, being very similar in the terminalia. The Japanese *P. asymmetrica* has terminalia (cf. Figs. 475–479, Suwa, 1974, Fig. 68, Suwa, 1977, and Fig. 166, present paper) of the same type, and may be closely related to *nepalensis* and *omeishanensis*.

6. *Phorbia omeishanensis* Fan
(Figs. 82–90, 160, 167–168)

*Phorbia omeishanensis* Fan, in Fan et al., 1982: 234; Fan et al., 1988: 142.

Material examined. Bagmati: Magen Gotha - Thare Pati, 3,200–3,600 m, Helambu, 8♂, 27. v. 1988. Two specimens are preserved in EDAN. See also

Figs. 82–83. *Phorbia omeishanensis* Fan, ♂. 82, 5th sternite, ventral view; 83, process of 5th sternite, ventrolateral view. Magen Gotha - Thare Pati.
Appendix.

♂. Closely related to nepalensis. Wing-length 3.6–4.4 mm. Pollinosity darker than in nepalensis; brownish grey on orbits, a little paler on cheeks; mesonotum brownish pollinose, paler peripherally, with brownish pollinose vittae hardly differentiated.

Frons usually a little wider than anterior ocellus; interfrontalia narrower than
anterior ocellus, with \( i f \) vestigial or lacking, at most slightly developed; 5-6 \( ori \); \( A_3 \) 1.6-1.9 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs slightly to distinctly shorter than basal diameter of arista; orbits as wide as to distinctly wider than (up to about 1.5 times) \( A_3 \); cheeks about as high as orbital width.

Mesonotum with 2-5 \( pre-acr \); 2nd \( ph \) fine or absent, at most slightly stronger than adjacent setulae; scutellum sparsely to rather densely haired ventrally.

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes abruptly narrowed apically; epandrium obtuse at anterodorsal corner in profile, with inner marginal setae very sparse anteriorly and not forming a complete row; cercal plate with left distal lobe not concave outside; surstyli slightly asymmetrical, with inside lobe less developed and only a little projected dorsal near anterior joint, and with outer blade of outside lobe more prominently expanded dorsad than the inner blade in profile; left pregonite with inside pilosity sparser than that of right pregonite and sometimes hardly discernible.

Mid femur usually with 1 or a few strong \( av \) on median third and with 3-6 strong \( pv \) on basal half to two-thirds; \( t_1 \), with no \( ad \) and 1 \( pv \); \( t_3 \) with 2-4 (usually 3) \( av \), 3 or sometimes 2 \( ad \), 2-6 (variable in length) \( pd \) and 1 or a few \( pv \).

Remarks. \( P. \) omeishanensis was described on the basis of a single male specimen collected at Mt. Omeishan, Sichuan, China. The present material from Nepal differs from the original description of the species in the surstyli with outer blade of the outside lobe more prominently expanded dorsad (cf. Fig. 57, Fan et al., 1982), yet is referred to the species by the cercal plate with right distal lobe rounded apically and with posterodorsal margin distinctly oblique in dorsal view, and by the epandrium not protruded anterodorsally.

It is often difficult to distinguish the present species from \( m. \) or \( subsymetrica \) rather than from \( ne. \) unless its genital structures are examined. The wings with small costal thorns, the mid tibia usually with \( av \), and the 5th sternite with processes abruptly narrowed apically are helpful in identifying dried specimens in good condition.

7. Phorbia tysoni Ackland

(Figs. 91-103)

\( Phorbia tysoni \) Ackland, 1967: 129; Fan et al., 1988: 140.

Material examined. Gandaki: Pisang - Hunde, 3,100-3,350 m, Marsyandi Valley, 6\( \sigma \), 16. vi. 1988. Two specimens are preserved in EDAN.

\( \sigma \). Wing-length 3-3.4 mm. Pollinosity with bluish colour discernible in some lights on main areas even if strongly tinged with brown; orbits whitish grey pollinose, more or less tinged with brown; cheeks pale brownish grey or dull grey pollinose; occiput bluish grey pollinose, distinctly tinged with brown; mesonotum distinctly or strongly tinged with brown in pollinosity; abdomen brownish grey pollinose. Halteres slightly darkened at knob.

Frons as wide as or a little wider than anterior ocellus; interfrontalia about half as wide as anterior ocellus, with \( if \) minute to rather distinct; 4-5 \( ori \); \( A_3 \) about 1.6 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs as long as or a little shorter than basal diameter of arista; orbits slightly narrower (somewhat wider in 1 specimen)
Figs. 91-103. *Phorbia tysoni* Ackland, ♂. 91, 5th sternite, ventral view; 92, ditto, ventrolateral view; 93, hypopygium, dorsal view; 94, ditto, lateral view; 95, left surstylus, inside view; 96, ditto, dorsolateral view; 97, right surstylus, lateral view; 98, ditto, inside view; 99, ditto, dorsolateral view; 100, basiphallus and distiphallus; 101, distiphallus, ventral view; 102, left pregonite and postgonite; 103, right pregonite. Pisang - Hunde.
than A₃; cheeks as high as or a little higher (slightly lower in the specimen with wider orbits) than orbital width; epistoma situated slightly behind parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with 4 (3 in 1 specimen) pre-acr; 2nd ph fine or slightly developed; mesopleura usually with 1–2 associated setulae around pstg; scutellum with some hairs visible on ventral surface.

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes very long, as long as or a little longer than 2.5 times the median length of basal plate, and nearly parallel-sided on main part in lateral view; cercal plate with setae all short, with left distal lobe well developed and bare; surstyli asymmetrical to each other, the right one deeply concave on ventral haired area, but the left one not; pregonites with inside pilosity indiscernible.

Mid femur with 0–2 strong av near middle and 3–4 strong pv on basal half; f₃ with 4–7 strong and a few or some weak av, and with 3–4 pv on basal half, the longest pv shorter than f₃-height; t₁ with 1 (2 on right leg in 1 specimen) pv; t₂ with 0–1 av, 1 ad, 2 (1 in 2 specimens) pd and 2 pv; t₃ with 2–3 (4 on left leg in 1 specimen) av, 2–3 ad, 2–3 strong and often 1–2 much weaker pd and 0–3 pv. Wings with costal thorns distinct, as long as or slightly longer than h-vein; costal spinules rather prominent, as long as or a little longer than twice the costal width.

Remarks. The 5th sternite with long and parallel-sided processes is a good character for distinguishing this species without dissection of genitalia. The pregonites with less concave caudal margin are characteristic of tysoni in the morula subgroup.

8. Phorbia lobatoides Suwa
(Figs. 104–111, 163)


♂. Wing-length 3.3–4.4 mm. Pollinosity whitish grey and slightly bluish, partly brownish especially on dorsum; interfrontalia brownish grey; orbits whitish grey, usually tinged with brown along rows of ori, on upper linear part, and along anterior margin of parafacials; cheeks whitish grey, with a brownish tinge near vibrissal angle, or dull grey entirely; mesonotum brownish grey, much paler peripherally; abdomen a little to rather strongly tinged with brown. Halteres scarcely darkened at knob.

Frons slightly to distinctly wider than anterior ocellus, 1.2–1.5 times as wide as the latter in most specimens; interfrontalia usually narrower than anterior ocellus, with if minute to rather strong; 4–7 ori; A₃ less than twice the width in length, usually 1.7–1.8 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs slightly to distinctly longer than basal diameter of arista; orbits only a little to rather distinctly wider than A₃; cheeks as high as or a little higher than orbital width; epistoma
Figs. 104-111. *Phorbia lobatoides* Suwa, ♀. 104, 5th sternite, ventral view; 105, ditto, ventrolateral view; 106, hypopygium, dorsal view; 107, ditto, lateral view, checked area indicating chitinous expansion at inside base of surstylus; 108, ditto, ventral view, showing median part only; 109, basiphallus and distiphallus; 110, distiphallus, ventral view; 111, pregonite and postgonite. "Lama Hotel" - Ghora Tabela.
situated a little behind parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with 2-6 pre-acr; 2nd ph fine or slightly developed; scutellum sparsely to rather densely haired on ventral side.

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes a little longer than 1.5 times the median length of basal plate; cercal plate broadly grooved medially, thus divided into 2 pads, with a carina on the groove medially; the pads densely setose, with the longest setae about as long as the pads; surstyli symmetrical, with a conspicuous lobe present near middle inside, and with a small tuft of hairs on ventral side a little anterior to the lobe; pregonites symmetrical, usually without inside pilosity, at most with a small and sparse patch of piles; genital pouch with right process membranous and fingerstall-like.

Mid femur with, or often without, 1 or a few strong av on median third, and with some (3-7) strong pv on basal half to two-thirds; t3 with 5-8 strong av, and with 1 rather distinct pv near base, 1-2 weak pv near basal fourth or third, and 1 or a few distinct to strong pv on median third, the longest pv near middle usually a little to distinctly longer than t3-height; t1 with, or sometimes without, 1 ad, and with 1-2 pv; t2 with 1 ad, 2 pd and 2 pv, and with no av; t3 with 2-3 av, 2-5 (not uniform in length) ad, 3-5 (not uniform in length) pd, often 1 or a few additional pd on apical fourth, and 1 or a few (sometimes no) pv. Wings with costal thorns small to rather strong, and distinctly shorter than to as long as h-vein.

Remarks. As mentioned in the original description, the present species resembles the N. American Phorbia lobata (Huckett, 1929) in having the cercal plate practically divided into 2 setose pads and the 5th sternite with processes not notched on inner margin. If the shadowed area in the figure of male hypopygium of Zobata in the original description (cf. Fig. 24, Huckett, I.c.) indicates the chitinous expansion at the inside base of the surstylus, this species undoubtedly belongs to the same group as lobatoides. In that case, the absence of a tuft of hairs on the surstylus in lobata may be interpreted as a secondary loss. Judging from the surstyli without an inside lobe, P. lobata might be more closely related to the succeeding pilostyla than to lobatoides, although the loss of a character is not a good evidence for relationship.

9. Phorbia pilostyla Suwa
(Figs. 112-118, 169)


♂. Wing-length 3.9-4.6 mm. Pollinosity brownish grey or mainly bluish grey; orbits and cheeks faintly to distinctly tinged with brown; mesonotum brownish grey with paler peripheral regions, or bluish grey with brownish vittae weakly discernible along rows of setae; abdomen wholly brownish grey, or bluish grey and with a brownish median vitta discernible in frontal view. Halteres yellow or reddish at
Figs. 112-119. *Phorbia pilostyla* Suwa, ♂. 112, 5th sternite, ventral view; 113, ditto, ventrolateral view; 114, hypopygium, dorsal view; 115, ditto, lateral view; 116, basiphallus and distiphallus; 117, distiphallus, ventral view; 118, left pregonite and postgonite; 119, right pregonite, inside view. Nangaon.
Frons 1.6-2 times as wide as anterior ocellus; interfrontalia as wide as to distinctly wider than anterior ocellus, with if rather weak to strong (minute in 1 specimen); 6-9 ori; A3 1.6-1.8 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs about as long as basal diameter of arista; orbits slightly to distinctly wider than A3; cheeks as high as or higher than orbital width; epistoma protruded as far as, or situated a little behind, parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with 3-5 preacr; 2nd ph more or less developed though much shorter than the 1st (in holotype the real 2nd ph fine, yet a well-developed seta, as strong as the 1st ph, present between the 2nd ph and prst; this is unusual in the specimens examined); scutellum sparsely to rather densely haired ventrally.

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes slightly shorter than 1.5 times the median length of basal plate; cercal plate with the longest setae much longer than the plate itself; surstyli rather distinctly asymmetrical, the right one being broader than the left in dorsal view and more densely haired; pregonites rather sparsely and narrowly pilose inside, the right one slightly larger than the left; genital pouch with right process chitinous and thumb-shaped.

Mid femur with 1 or a few strong av on median third and some (4-7) strong pv on basal half to two-thirds; fr, with a row of 7-9 strong av, and with some pv on basal half to two-thirds, the longest one near middle distinctly longer than fr-height; t1 with 1-2 pv, and with some setulae on distal third to half of anterodorsal surface more or less developed, in 2 specimens with a distinct ad visible; t2 with 1 av (lacking in 2 specimens), 1 ad, 2 pd and 2 pv; with 3-4 av, 3-5 pd and 0-5 pv. Wings with costal thorns as long as or a little shorter than h-vein.

Remarks. A closely related species to pilostyla has been known from Sichuan, China, namely Phorbia gemmullata Feng et al., 1984, which differs from pilostyla mainly in the surstyli not expanded dorsad and with a small process near apical third inside, and in the cercal plate with pads concave on distal half outside. The small process on the surstyli in gemmullata may be homologous with the inside lobe of the surstyli in lobatoides and also in the morula subgroup. The surstyli of pilostyla lacking a lobe or process may have been derived from those with such a lobe or process. If the asymmetry in surstyli and in pregonites of pilostyla originated from the common ancestor of the morula and lobatoides subgroups, the symmetry in these features of certain species of both the subgroups (though the pregonites always asymmetrical in the morula subgroup) must be secondary and reversal. To the contrary, it might be the case that the asymmetry in these features have evolved on each lineage independent of the other. Phorbia ponti Hennig, 1969, from Germany, Phorbia personi Hennig, 1976, from Siberia and China (Xinjiang), and Phorbia hypandrium Li et Deng, 1981, from China (Sichuan) may possibly belong to the lobatoides subgroup. Studies on these species may give clues to understand the phylogeny of this subgroup.

10. Phorbia pilostyloides sp. nov.
(Figs. 120-129)

Type material. Bagmati: Sing Gompa - Gosainkund, 3,300-3,700 m, 2♂ (one the holotype), 24. v. 1988.
Figs. 120–129. *Phorbia pilostyloides* sp. nov., ♂. 120, 5th sternite, ventral view; 121, ditto, ventrolateral view; 122, process of 5th sternite, ventrolateral view; 123, hypopygium, dorsal view; 124, cercal plate; 125, hypopygium, lateral view; 126, basiphallus and distiphallus; 127, distiphallus, ventral view; 128, left pregonite and postgonite; 129, right pregonite, inside view. Holotype (122, 124) and paratype (120–121, 123, 125–129) from Sing Gompa – Gosainkund.
♂. Wing-length 3.5-3.6 mm. Pollinosity mainly brownish grey; orbits and cheeks dull grey or pale brownish grey; mesonotum brownish grey, paler peripherally; abdomen brownish grey. Halteres yellow at knob, scarcely darkened.

Frons 1.6 times as wide as anterior ocellus; interfrontalia about as wide as anterior ocellus, with if weak though easily discernible; 3 strong and 1 or a few weak ori; A3 1.7-1.8 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs as long as or slightly shorter than basal diameter of arista; orbits rather distinctly wider than A3; cheeks distinctly higher than orbital width; epistoma situated a little behind parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with 4 (namely 2 pairs) pre-acr; 2nd ph fine; scutellum sparsely haired on ventral surface (about 5 hairs discernible in the present material).

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes about 1.5 times as long as median length of basal plate; cercal plate with short setae only; surstyli almost symmetrical, the right one slightly wider than the left in dorsal view and more densely haired; pregonites symmetrical, sparsely pilose inside; genital pouch with right process chitinous and thumb-shaped.

Mid femur with 1 strong av near middle and some (about 5) strong pv on basal half to two-thirds; t3 with a row of about 8 strong av, and with some pv on basal half to two-thirds, the longest pv in median third being longer than t3-height; t1 with 1 ad (absent on right leg in paratype) and 1 pv (2 on left leg in paratype); t2 with 1 av, 1 ad, 2 pd and 2 pv; t3 with 3 (2 on left leg in paratype) av, 2 strong and 2 weaker ad, 3 strong and 1 or a few weaker pd and a few pv. Wings with costal thorns slightly or rather distinctly shorter than h-vein.

Remarks. The present species is closely related to the preceding pilostyla in the practically divided cercal plate and in the surstyli densely haired ventrally and without a lobe or process inside. The shortly setose cercal plate of pilostyloides is quite unique among the members of the morula group and may indicate an advanced condition of the plate. In the shortly setose cercal plate P. pilostyloides resembles P. hypandrium, in which the plate is, however, not broadly divided medially (cf. Fig. 10, Li et Deng, 1981).

11. Phorbia pilicerca Suwa
(Figs. 130-137, 170)


Material examined. Dhaulagiri: Ulleri, ca. 2,000 m, 3♂ (the type series), 11. v. 1968 (T. Kumata). Bagmati: Ghopte - Gosainkund, 3,500-4,000 m, 2♂, 25. v. 1988; Magen Gotha - Thare Pati, 3,200-3,600 m, Helambu, 2♂, 27. v. 1988. One specimen from Ghopte - Gosainkund is preserved in EDAN.

♀. Wing-length 4-4.5 mm. Pollinosity pale grey or bluish grey, tinged with brown especially on dorsum of the body; interfrontalia brownish grey; orbits whitish grey, hardly to slightly tinged with brown; cheeks whitish grey to dull grey; mesonotum brownish grey, paler peripherally and also between median line and each dc-row, the pollinosity almost entirely discernible even in caudal angle of view though rather weakly; abdomen pale brownish grey. Halteres yellow at knob.

Frons 1.5-2 times as wide as anterior ocellus; interfrontalia a little wider than

anterior ocellus, with *if* distinct; 4–6 *ori*; $A_3$ 1.6–1.9 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs as long as or slightly shorter than basal diameter of arista; orbits slightly to distinctly wider than $A_3$; cheeks as high as or a little higher than orbital width; epistoma protruded as far as, or situated slightly behind, parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with no *pre-aacr* (a single setula visible only in 1 specimen), and with 4–6 (2–3 pairs) *post-aacr*, including *prsc-aacr*; 2nd *ph* fine; scutellum sparsely haired on ventral surface, with a few or some hairs discernible.
Figs. 132-137. *Phorbia pilicerca* Suwa, ♂. 132, hypopygium, dorsal view; 133, ditto, lateral view; 134, left surstylus, inside view; 135, aedeagus, lateral view; 136, ditto, ventral view; 137, right pregonite, inside view. Magen Gotha - Thare Pati.

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes rod-like and about thrice as long as median length of basal plate; cercal plate densely covered with ramified setae on more than distal half, the setae being shorter than the plate; surstyli loosely convex near middle ventrally, with small and stout setae along and near dorsal edge of distal blade; pregonites almost symmetrical, distinct-
ly pilose inside, and with no setae, only a very minute setula discernible at apex under careful examination; distiphallus with acrophallus sting-like and slightly curved to the right at apex.

Mid femur with a few strong \textit{av} on median third and some (4-6) strong \textit{pv} on basal half to two-thirds; \( f_3 \) with a row of 5-8 strong \textit{av}, and with some \textit{pv} on basal half to two-thirds, the strongest \textit{pv} in median third being as long as to distinctly longer than \( f_3 \)-height; \( t_1 \) with 1 \textit{ad} and 1 \textit{pv}; \( t_2 \) with 1 \textit{ad}, 2 \textit{pd} and 2 \textit{pv}, and with 2 \textit{av} (3 in 1 specimen, 1 on right leg in another specimen); \( t_3 \) with 3 \textit{av}, 2-3 \textit{ad}, 2-4 (usually 3) strong and a few or some much weaker \textit{pd} and 1 or a few \textit{pv}. Wings with costal thorns slightly shorter to rather distinctly longer than \( h \)-vein.

Remarks. This species has a close affinity with \textit{P. penicillaris} and others: 5th sternite with rod-like processes; cercal plate with a dense tuft of setae; surstyli with a bladed distal part and with small spine-like setae scattered on the blade; distiphallus with a sting-like acrophallus. On the other hand, \textit{P. pilicerca} is clearly different from them in some features: 5th sternite with processes not notched or emarginated on inner margin near apex, and thereon with no spine-like setae; cercal plate with the tuft composed of ramified setae; pregonites narrowed and lengthened, with median seta completely vanished; parafrontals with \textit{ors} lacking; mesonotum with no \textit{pre-acr}. These characters are undoubtedly apomorphic and all are shared with the succeeding two new species.

12. \textit{Phorbia seticauda} sp. nov.

(Figs. 138-147)

Type material. Gandaki: Bratang – Pisang, 2,800-3,200 m, Marsyandi Valley, 1\( \sigma \) (holotype), 17. vi. 1988.

\( \sigma \). Wing-length 4.3 mm. Pollinosity bluish grey, partly tinged with brown especially on dorsum; interfrontalia pale brownish grey; orbits silvery grey; cheeks whitish grey, faintly tinged with brown; mesonotum brownish grey, darker along rows of setae, pale grey peripherally, when viewed from behind largely blackish and partly pollinose; abdomen brownish grey. Halteres yellow at knob, very slightly darkened.

Frons 1.8 times as wide as anterior ocellus; interfrontalia 1.3 times as wide as anterior ocellus, with \textit{if} distinct; 5 \textit{ori}; \( A_3 \) 1.7 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs about as long as basal diameter of arista; orbits 1.3 times as wide as \( A_3 \); cheeks 1.2 times as high as orbital width; epistoma situated a little behind parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with no \textit{pre-acr}, and with 4 (2 pairs) \textit{post-acr}, inclusive of \textit{prsc-acr}; 2nd \textit{ph} fine; scutellum rather sparsely haired ventrally, with about 10 hairs discernible.

Abdomen with terminalia as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes about thrice as long as median length of basal plate and more or less constricted near apex; cercal plate deeply concave distally, with ventromedian keel unobservable in dorsal view, yet appearing in dorsocaudal view, and with a tuft of ramified setae covering less than distal half, most of the setae longer than the plate; surstyli distinctly convex near middle ventrally, and with small spine-like setae scattered on dorsal half of distal blade; pregonites with no setae except for a very minute apical
Figs. 138 139. *Phorbia seticauda* sp. nov., ♀. 138, 5th sternite, ventral view; 139, process of 5th sternite, ventrolateral view. Holotype from Bratang - Pisang.

setula, and with inside pilosity very sparse; acrophallus slightly curved to the right apically.

Mid femur with 4 strong *av* on median third (the distalmost *pv* on right leg actually occurring near apical fourth), and with 5-6 strong *pv* on basal two-thirds; *f₃*, with a row of 7-8 strong *av*, with some (about 6) *pv* on basal half or two-thirds, a few *pv* near base being much weaker than the others, the longest *pv* near basal third or middle distinctly longer than *f₃*-height, and with a few or some distinct or strong setae discernible just above the row of *av*; *t₁* with 1 *ad* and 1-2 *pv*; *t₂* with 2-3 *av, 1 ad, 2 pd* and 3 *pv*; *t₃*, with 3 or 5 *av, 2-3 ad, 3-4 strong and 3 weaker *pd* and 1-2 *pv*. Wings with costal thorns well developed, 1.6 times as long as *h*-vein; costal spines prominent between *h*-vein and costal thorns.

Remarks. This new species shares with the preceding *plicerca* the surstyli without a ventral notch. On the other hand, it is close to the succeeding *nishidai* in the cercal plate with deeply concave distal margin and with tuft of setae on less than distal half, the surstyli with large distal blade, and the distiphallus with much lengthened acrophallus. The 5th sternite with subapically constricted processes may be helpful in identifying *seticauda* without dissecting genitalia.
Figs. 140-147. *Phorbia seticauda* sp. nov., ♂. 140, hypopygium, dorsal view; 141, ditto, showing median part only, slightly caudal view; 142, ditto, lateral view; 143, left surstylus, inside to slightly dorsal view; 144, basiphallus and distiphallus; 145, distiphallus, ventral view; 146, left pregonite and postgonite; 147, right pregonite, inside view. Holotype from Bratang - Pisang.
13. *Phorbia nishidai* sp. nov.

(Figs. 148-157, 171)

Type material. E. Nepal; Thudam, 3,500 m, 1♂ (holotype), 20. vi. 1972 (Y. Nishida), 1♂, 24. vi. 1972 (H. Shima), and 1♂, 26. vi. 1972 (MT, KU); NE of Thudam, 4,000 m, 2♂, 25. vi. 1972 (Y. Nishida & H. Shima). Two paratypes from Thudam are deposited in SEHU, and the others in BLKU.

♂. Wing-length 3.5-4.4 mm. Pollinosity pale grey or bluish grey, and partly tinged with brown; interfrontalia brownish grey; orbits and cheeks whitish grey, hardly to a little tinged with brown especially on linear part of parafrontals and on cheeks; mesonotum brownish along transverse suture and rows of setae, hardly to rather weakly tinged with brown between brownish vittae, the median and the paramedian brownish vittae being broadened posteriorly and united to each other; mesonotum largely blackish and partly pollinose in caudal view; abdomen thinly pale grey pollinose, slightly tinged with brown. Halteres yellow at knob, scarcely darkened.

Figs. 148-149. *Phorbia nishidai* sp. nov., ♂. 148, 5th sternite, ventral view; 149, process of 5th sternite, ventrolateral view. Paratype from Thudam.
Figs. 150–157. *Phorbia nishidai* sp. nov., ♂. 150, hypopygium, dorsal view; 151, ditto, lateral view; 152, left surstylus, inside to dorsal view; 153, basiphallus and distiphallus; 154, distiphallus; 155, ditto, ventral view; 156, left pregonite and postgonite; 157, left pregonite, inside view. Holotype (154) and paratype (150–153, 155–157) from Thudam.
Frons 1.8-2.2 times as wide as anterior ocellus; interfrontalia 1.3-1.8 times as wide as anterior ocellus, with if weak to strong; 3-4 strong and 0-1 fine ori; A3 1.6-1.7 times as long as wide; arista with the longest hairs as long as or slightly longer than basal diameter of arista; orbits slightly to rather distinctly wider than A3; cheeks slightly higher than orbital width; epistoma protruded nearly as far as parafrontal angle.

Mesonotum with no pre-acr, and with 2-4 (1-2 pairs) post-acr; including prsc-acr; 2nd ph fine; mesopleura with only 1 pstg and no associated setulae; scutellum sparsely haired ventrally, with some hairs discernible.

Abdomen with terminalia shaped as in the figures; 5th sternite with processes about thrice as long as median length of basal plate and rather sparsely setulose along inner margin; cercal plate with ventromedian keel well developed and well observable in dorsal view, and with a tuft of ramified setae covering less than distal half, most of the setae much longer than the plate; surstyli hardly convex ventrally, with distal blade discriminated from the stem by a distinct notch on ventral margin, and with small spine-like setae along and near dorsal edge of the blade; pregonites narrowly pilose inside, with a very minute setula discernible apically; acrocephalus scarcely curved to the right apically; genital pouch with a membranous fingerstell-like process present on left side (Fig. 171) in addition to sack-shaped one on the right.

Mid femur with 3-4 strong av on median third, and 3-6 strong pv on basal half to two-thirds; f3 with a row of 5-8 strong av, and with some pv on basal half to two-thirds, the strongest pv in median third variable in length, distinctly shorter to distinctly longer than f3-height; t1 with 1 ad, and with 1 pv (0 on left leg in 1 specimen, 2 on right leg in another specimen); t2 with 2 av, 1 ad, 2 pd and 2-3 pv; t3 with 3 (4 in 1 specimen) av, 2 (3 on left leg in 1 specimen) ad, 2-4 strong and a few much weaker pd and 1 or a few (0 in 1 specimen) pv. Wings with costal thorns distinct or strong, a little to much longer than h-vein.

Remarks. Four of the 5 specimens available were dissected. The left process on the genital pouch is present in all the specimens dissected. This process and the venral notch on the surstyli are unique to nishidai. Among the external features other than genitalia the mesopleura with only 1 pstg is also unique to this species. If this character is stable, it is useful, if not always be effective, in distinguishing nishidai without dissection of genitalia. In the other Nepalese species of Phorbia the mesopleura are armed with 2 pstg as usual, but in some of the morula group one of the 2 setae occasionally disappears. It is quite likely that the situation is also found in pilicerca and seticauda.

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\section*{Appendix}

\section*{Further records of \textit{Phorbia}, with other Anthomyiidae from Nepal and India based on the collection preserved in Lund University}

Through the courtesy of Dr. R. Danielsson, I have recently had an opportunity to examine material of Anthomyiidae collected from Nepal and India by Dr. P. Ardö (PA) in 1984 and by Dr. U. Gärdenfors (UG) in 1983, and preserved in the Zoological Museum, Lund University. The collection is composed of the following 14 species, including a few undetermined ones. Of them \textit{Paregle densibarbata} is new to Nepal.

1. \textit{Phorbia omeishanensis} Fan, 1982

Material examined. Nepal: 2 km NE Ghorapani, 2,500 m, grassy glades, Oak-\textit{Rhododendron} forest, 24 km NW Pokhara, 1♂, 6. iv. 1983 (UG).

Distribution. China (Sichuan); Nepal.

The present specimen is much smaller than the specimens at hand of this species collected by myself in Nepal. The wing-length is 3 mm in the former, and 3.6-4.4 mm in the latter.
2. **Phorbia** sp. A  
There is the possibility that the present specimen is the female of *omeishanensis*.

3. **Phorbia** sp. B  
Material examined. Nepal: Manang, 3,500–4,000 m, 1♀, 22. vi. 1984 (J. Ardo)

4. **Phorbia** sp. C  

5. **Adia cinerella** (Fallén, 1824)  
Material examined. Nepal: Kathmandu, numerous specimens of both sexes, 16. vii. 1984 (PA); Bardang, 2,900 m, 1♂, 5♀, 18. vii. 1984 (J. Ardo); Pokhara, 2♀, 14. vi. 1984 (PA); Gandrung, 2,000 m, grassy meadow, 19 km NW Pokhara, 5♀, 7. iv. 1983 (UG); Deorali pass, 3,000 m, grassy bald spot, *Abies-Rhododendron* forest, 22 km NW Pokhara, 2♀, 6. iv. 1983 (UG); 2 km NE Ghorapani, 4♀, 6. iv. 1983 (UG).  
Distribution Oriental and Holarctic regions.

6. **Botanophila striolata** (Fallén, 1824)  
Distribution. Palearctic region; Nepal.

7. **Calythea setifrons** Ackland, 1968  
Distribution. Northern part of Oriental region; Tibet; China.

8. **Delia bracata** (Rondani, 1866)  
Distribution. Nepal; India; southern Palearctic region.

9. **Delia impilosa** Suwa, 1977  
Material examined. Nepal: Godawari, 2,700 m, 1♂, 4. vii. 1984 (PA).  

10. **Delia platara** (Meigen, 1826)  
Material examined. Nepal: Godawari, 1♂, 19. vi. 1984 (PA); Godawari, 2,700 m, 4♂, 4. vii. 1984 (PA); Mainepokhari, 2,000 m, 1♂, 6. vi 1984 (PA); Gandrung, 1♂, 11♀, 7. iv. 1983 (UG); Deorali pass, 1♂, 1♀, 6. iv. 1983 (UG); 2 km NE Ghorapani, 2♂, 13♀, 6. iv. 1983 (UG).  
Distribution. Cosmopolitan.

11. **Hylemya probilis** Ackland, 1967
Distribution. Nepal; N. India; China (Kansu).

12. *Lasionoma* sp.
   Material examined. Nepal: 2 km NE Ghorapani, 2♀, 6. iv. 1983 (UG)

13. *Paregle densibarbata* Fan, 1982
   Distribution. China; Nepal. This species is new to Nepal. In addition to the
   present material, there are at hand a lot of specimens of the species collected from
   various localities in Nepal.

   Distribution. Oriental and eastern Palearctic regions.
Fig. 164. Terminalia of *Phorbia morula* Ackland, ♂, right ventrolateral view, hypopygium detached. Arrow indicating the right process of genital pouch. Sing Gompa - Gosainkund. Magnification same for the succeeding figures.
Fig. 165-166. Pregenital sclerite and 6th sternite of *Phoria* spp. 165. *morula* Akland, left ventrolateral view, Ghopte - Gosainkund; 166. *asymmetrica* Suwa, ventral and slightly right lateral view; Mt. Senjō, Nagano-ken, Japan. Arrow indicating the right process of genital pouch.
Figs. 167-168. Pregenital sclerite and 6th sternite of *Phorbia omeishanensis* Fan, ♂. 167, ventral and slightly right lateral view; 168, left ventrolateral view. Arrow indicating the right process of genital pouch. Magen Gotha - Thare Pati.

Fig. 171. Terminalia of *Phorbia nishidai* sp. nov., left lateral view, hypopygium detached. Arrow indicating the left process of genital pouch. Paratype from Thudam.
Figs. 172-175. Sixth sternite of *Phoria* spp., ♂. 172, *morula* Ackland, ventral view, Sing Gompa - Gosainkund; 173, *morulina* sp. nov., ventral view, paratype, Kutumsang - Magen Gotha; 174, ditto, right ventrolateral view; 175, *subsymmetrica* Fan, ventral view, Ghora Tabela.
Figs. 176-178. Sixth sternite of Phorbia spp., ♂. 176. minuta sp. nov., ventral view, paratype, Magen Gotha - Thare Pati; 177, nepalensis Suwa, ventral view, Ghopte - Thare Pati; 178, ditto, right ventrolateral view.