

Taxonomic Changes and New Distribution Records of Four Sawfly Species of the Genus *Tenthredo* (Hymenoptera, Tenthredinidae) in Japan

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Abstract *Allantus nigripectus* Matsumura, 1912 is synonymized with *Allantus flavipectus* Matsumura, 1912, because the color characters used to separate them have been found variable and the two taxa are not separable. *Tenthredo nigripleuris* (Enslin, 1910) is newly recorded from Japan based on the specimens previously identified with “*T. devius*”. There is no evidence for the occurrence of *Tenthredo devia* (Konow, 1900) in Japan. Japanese populations of *Tenthredo colon* Klug, 1817 have been called “*T. colon nigriventris* Enslin, 1912” in Japanese literature but this usage of the subspecific name is erroneous. It is proposed not to recognize a subspecific taxon for Japanese populations until more is known about the geographic variations of this widely distributed Holarctic species. *Tenthredo babai* Takeuchi, 1936, previously known only from Honshu and Sado Island, is newly recorded from Kyushu.

Key words: Hymenoptera, Tenthredinidae, *Tenthredo*, taxonomy, Japan.

Tenthredo Linnaeus, 1758, is a huge genus of sawflies comprising well over 800 species. Abe and Togashi (1989) listed 76 taxa of the genus as occurring in Japan and four new species and subspecies were described and some taxonomic changes have been proposed thereafter (e.g., Taeger, 1988; Shinohara, 1994 a, b, 1997; Taeger & Blank, 1996; Shinohara & Kumamoto, 1997). In the course of preparation for a new version of the list of Japanese *Tenthredo*, I have noticed that four taxa needed taxonomic changes. In the following lines, I will point out that *Allantus nigripectus* Matsumura, 1912, is a junior synonym of *Allantus flavipectus* Matsumura, 1912, and the Japanese records of *T. devia* (Konow, 1900) are based on a misidentification for *T. nigripleuris* (Enslin, 1910). I will also show that the use of the name *T. colon nigriventris* Enslin, 1912, is erroneous and propose not to recognize subspecies for the Japanese populations of *T. colon* Klug, 1817. The first distribution record for a rare species, *T. babai* Takeuchi, 1936, from Kyushu will also be given.

The material used in this work is kept in the

National Science Museum, Tokyo, unless otherwise stated. Abbreviations for the other depositories are: HK: H. Kumamoto collection, Hirakata; HU, College of Agriculture, Hokkaido University, Sapporo; KU: Faculty of Agriculture, Kobe University, Kobe; NIAS: National Institute of Agro-Environmental Sciences, Tsukuba; UOP: College of Agriculture, University of Osaka Prefecture, Sakai; YM: Yamaguchi Museum, Yamaguchi.

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Tenthredo flavipectus (Matsumura, 1912)

Allantus flavipectus Matsumura, 1912, p. 54; Matsumura, 1930, p. 82, 19 (*Allanthus* [sic]); Matsumura, 1931, p. 81; Takeuchi, 1937, p. 55.
Allantus nigripectus Matsumura, 1912, p. 55; Matsumura, 1930, p. 83, 20 (*Allanthus* [sic]); Matsumura, 1931,

- p. 81. N. Syn.
- Tenthredo xanthomelaena* Enslin, 1920, p. 67; Takeuchi, 1951, p. 60 [syn.].
- Tenthredo nigripectus*: Takeuchi, 1919, p. 183 [*nigripecta* [sic]]; Takeuchi, 1927, p. 378.
- Tenthredo flavipectus*: Takeuchi, 1919, p. 183 [*flavipecta* [sic]]; Takeuchi, 1951, p. 60; Takeuchi, 1952, p. 24; Okutani, 1954, p. 79; Iwata, 1958, p. 55; Togashi, 1965, p. 248; Togashi, 1970, p. 25; Togashi, 1974, p. 12; Chiba *et al.*, 1985, p. 2; Murota & Kurokawa, 1985, p. 256; Nakamura, 2003, p. 263.
- Allantus flavipectus* var. *nigripectus*: Takeuchi, 1937, p. 55.
- Tenthredo flavipectus nigripectus*: Takeuchi, 1952, p. 24; Abe & Togashi, 1989, p. 556.
- Tenthredo flavipectus flavipectus*: Abe & Togashi, 1989, p. 556; Enoki & Nakamura, 1993, p. 14; Haneda *et al.*, 1998, p. 322; Togashi, 1998 a, p. 259; Nambu, 1998, p. 23; Naito *et al.*, 2004, p. 60; Nagase, 2004, p. 1249.
- Distribution.* Japan (Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku, Kyushu).
- Specimens examined.* Hokkaido: 1♀ (syntype of *Allantus nigripectus* Matsumura, 1912), “6/29 1897 Maruyama”, “1”, “*Allanthus nigripectus* Mats., Type [red label]” (HU); 1♀, Iwaobetsu, Shiretoko, 27. VI. 1980, A. Shinohara. Honshu: Iwate Pref.: 1♀, Omoe, Miyako, 8. VII. 1967, T. Nakane. Fukushima Pref.: 2♀, Tajima, 25. VI. 1954, N. Fukuahara (NIAS); 1♀, Yunohana, 6. VI. 1976, H. Itami; 1♀, Goshiki, 12. VII. 1960, J. Yoshioka. Tochigi Pref.: 1♀ 1♂, Nasu, 29. V. 1966, A. Shinohara; 1♀, Kensetsudaira, Oku-Nikko, 26. VII. 1981, H. Itami. Gunma Pref.: 8♀, Hoshi, 5–9. VIII. 1958, J. Yoshioka; 2♀, Hoshi-onsen, 22. VII. 1987, H. Akatsuka; 2♂, Mt. Komochiyama, Matsuida, 18. VI. 1987, S. Izumiya; 2♂, Mt. Komochiyama, Matsuida, 17. VI. 1987, T. Matsumoto. Ibaraki Pref.: 1♂, Mt. Tsukubasan, 6. VII. 1940, J. Yoshioka. Tokyo Met.: 1♀, Mitake, Okutama, 9. VI. 1968, A. Shinohara; 1♀, Hikagezawa, Mt. Takao, 20. V. 1990, A. Shinohara; 1♀, same data, except S. Ueno; 1♂, same data, except M. Tomokuni; 3♀, Takao, 3. VI. 1933, K. Sato; 1♀, Takao, 9. VI. “46”; 1♀, Takaosan, 24. V. 1942, J. Yoshioka. Yamanashi Pref.: 2♀ 2♂, Mt. Minobu, 12. VI. 1928, K. Sato; 1♀, Sakeishi, Enzan, 29. VI. 1987, A. Shinohara; 1♀, Hikawa-rindo, 6. VIII. 1983, M. Yamamoto; 1♀, Mt. Mitsutoge, 12. VII. 1974, K. Kimura; 2♀ 1♂, Mt. Mitsutoge, 25–26. VI. 1981, Y. Kurosawa; 2♀, Mt. Mitsutoge, 28. VII. 1981, Y. Kurosawa; 1♂, Mt. Mitsutoge, 31. VII. 1981, Y. Kurosawa; 1♂, Mitsutoge, 28. VII. 1985, M. Yamamoto; 1♂, Subaru Land, 1000 m, N. slope of Mt. Fujisan, 25–26. VI. 1981, Y. Kurosawa; 1♀, Mt. Fujisan, 3–4. VIII. 1974, K. Kimura; 3♀ 2♂, Mt. Misakayama, 18. VI. 1988, K. Mizuno; 1♀, Yashajin-toge, Ashiyasu, 22. VII. 1970, H. Suda (KU). Nagano Pref.: 1♀, Mongakudaira, Tateshina, 21–24. VIII. 1992, A. & T. Shinohara; 3♀, Karuizawa, 28. VI. 1934, K. Sato; 1♂, Karuizawa, 22. VI. 1956, R. Ishikawa; 1♀, Togakushi, 21. VI. 1932, K. Sato. Shizuoka Pref.: 2♀, Awakura, Tenshokyo, 800 m, Fujinomiya, 8. VIII. 1989, H. Ishikawa; 1♀, same locality, 2. VIII. 1988, H. Ishikawa; 1♀, Mt. Fuji, 1100 m, 19. VIII. 1980, T. Niisato. Toyama Pref.: 1♂, Mt. Tongariyama, 23. V. 1982, A. Shinohara. Shiga Pref.: 1♀, Ibuki, 3 VI. 1917, K. Takeuchi (UOP). Kyoto Pref.: 1♂, Ashiu, 28. V. 1978, K. Mizuno. Nara Pref.: 1♀, Mt. Obakodake, 28. VII.–1. VIII. 1976, K. Mizuno; 1♀, Mt. Obakodake, 6. VI. 1981, K. Mizuno; 1♀, Mt. Misen, Ominesan, Yoshino-gun, 10. VII. 1987, K. Mizuno; 1♀ 1♂, Shirakawamata, Mt. Ominesan, 12. V. 1985, K. Mizuno. Osaka Pref.: 2♀ 1♂, Mino, 15. V. 1930, C. Teranishi; 1♀ 1♂, Mt. Mino, 8. VI. 1929, C. Teranishi. Hyogo Pref.: 1♀, Fujioka, Sasayama, 31. V. 1966, T. Okutani (KU). Yamaguchi Pref.: 1♀, Saba-gun, Namera, 2. VI. 1974, K. Tanaka (YM); 1♀, Toyoura-gun, Kazan, 3. V. 1964, K. Tanaka (YM); 1♀, Abu-gun, Kawakami-gun, Namera, 2. VI. 1974, K. Tanaka (YM). Shikoku: Tokushima Pref.: 1♀, Mt. Tsurugisan, 11. VII. 1937, A. Yoshida. Kyushu: Kumamoto Pref.: 1♀ (syntype of *Allantus flavipectus* Matsumura, 1912), “Haki 8/10”, “29”, “*Allanthus flavipectus* Matsumura, Type [red label]” (HU). Prefecture unknown: 1♀, Mt. Ogiyama, 5. VII. 1931, S. Asahina.
- Remarks.* *Allantus flavipectus* and *Allantus nigripectus* were both described by Matsumura (1912), the former from Kumamoto, Kyushu, and the latter from Sapporo, Hokkaido. Takeuchi

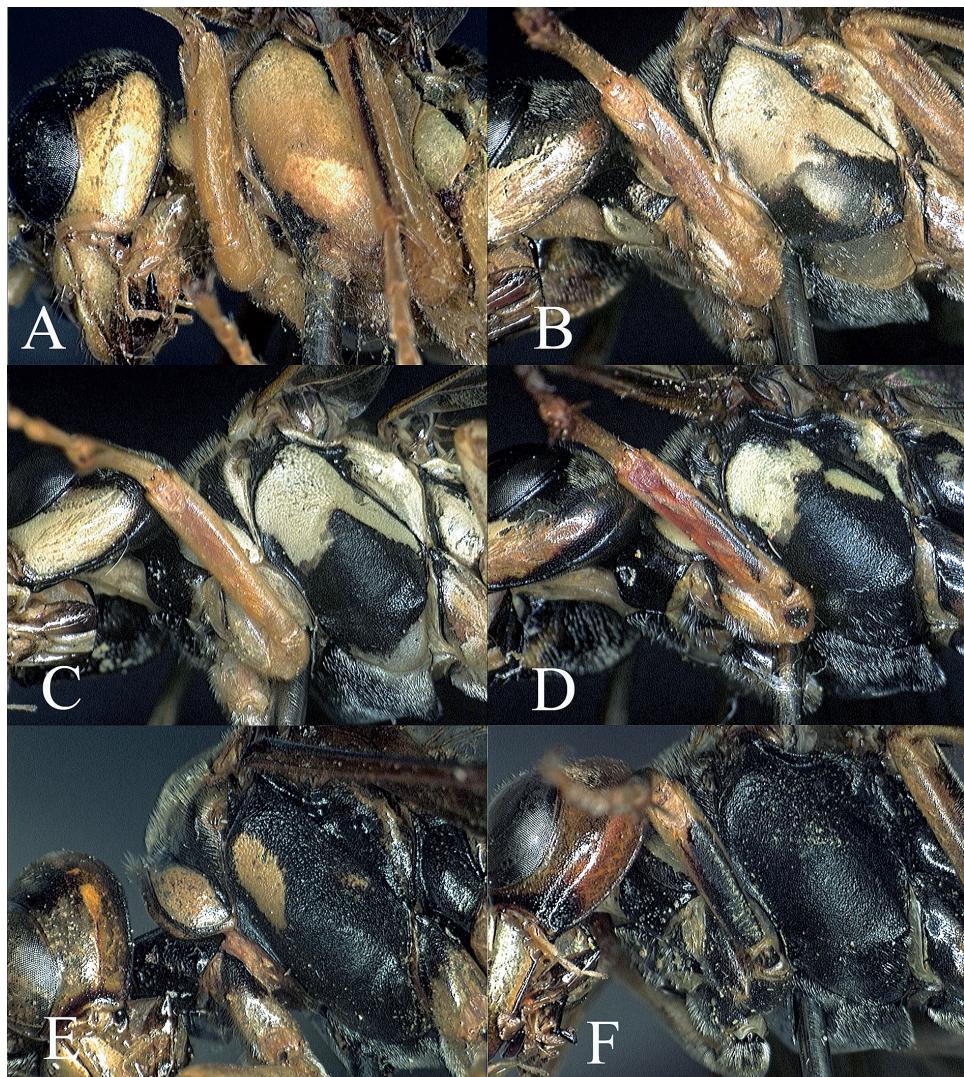


Fig. 1. *Tenthredo flavipectus*, ♀, thorax, ventrolateral view, showing variations in color pattern. —— A, Kazan, Yamaguchi Pref.; B, Hikawa-rindo, Yamanashi Pref.; C, Sakeishi, Yamanashi Pref.; D, Mt. Mitsutoge, Yamanashi Pref.; E, Karuizawa, Nagano Pref.; F, Mongakudaira, Nagano Pref.

(1937) noted that *A. nigripectus* was only a color form of *A. flavipectus*, suggesting the infrasub-specific nature of this taxon, and called the former *Tenthredo flavipectus* var. *nigripectus*. Takeuchi (1952) listed *Tenthredo flavipectus* (Matsumura, 1912) and *T. flavipectus nigripectus* (Matsumura, 1912) as valid taxa. Abe and Togashi (1989) treated these two taxa as valid subspecies, *T. flavipectus flavipectus* from Honshu, Shikoku, and Kyushu, and *T. flavipectus ni-*

gripectus from Hokkaido. An examination of a long series of specimens has shown that the alluded differences in coloration of the thorax are not stable and both forms as well as their intermediate forms occur at least in Honshu (Fig. 1). The populations in Hokkaido most probably show a similar pattern of variation because one of the two specimens available is a syntype of *A. nigripectus* and the other is a specimen identifiable with *Tenthredo flavipectus* (one having

mostly pale yellow lateral part of the mesepisternum). Therefore I treat *A. nigripectus* Matsumura, 1912, as a junior synonym of *A. flavipectus* Matsumura, 1912.

Tenthredo nigripleuris (Enslin, 1910)

Allantus brevicornis var. *nigripleuris* Enslin, 1910, p. 355.
Allantus arcuatus var. *nigripleuris*: Enslin, 1926, p. 365; Malaise, 1931, p. 8.

Tenthredo nigripleuris: Taeger, 1985, p. 133; Koch, 1985, p. 68; Taeger, 1988, p. 343; Shinohara et al., 2000, p. 296.

Tenthredo devius: Takeuchi, 1934, p. 20; Takeuchi, 1952, p. 24; Takeuchi, 1956, p. 72; Togashi, 1965, p. 248; Okutani, 1973, p. 20; Abe & Togashi, 1989, p. 556; Togashi, 1998 b, p. 42. [Not Konow, 1900, in part.]

Tenthredo nivalis Lacourt, 1985, p. 76; Taeger, 1988, p. 343 [syn.].

Distribution. Japan (Hokkaido, Honshu); Kamchatka, Mongolia, Ural, Rumania, France.

Specimens examined. Hokkaido: 4♀ 2♂, Mt. Daisetsu, 19. VII. 1930, K. Takeuchi (UOP); 3♀ 1♂, Mt. Nagayamadake, 11. VIII. 1967, T. Saigusa (KU); 1♀ 1♂, Mt. Nagayamadake, 11. VIII. 1967, A. Nakanishi (KU); 1♀ 3♂, Mt. Kurodake, 12. VII. 1967, H. Shima (KU); 1♀ 1♂, Mt. Kurodake, 12. VIII. 1967, H. Shima (KU); 1♀, Mt. Kurodake, 13. VIII. 1967, T. Saigusa (KU); 1♂, Mt. Kurodake, 13. VII. 1967, T. Saigusa (KU); 1♀, Mt. Kurodake, 3. VIII. 1984, H. Matsuura; 1♀, Mt. Kurodake, 11. VII. 2001, A. Shinohara; 2♂, Aizankei, 7. VIII. 1967, T. Saigusa (KU); 1♂, Aizankei, 11. VIII. 1967, T. Saigusa (KU); 2♀ 2♂, Mt. Asahidake, 15. VII. 2001, A. Shinohara; 1♀, Niseikaushuppe, Daisetsuzan Mts., 13. VI. 1971, H. Kumamoto (HK); 1♀, Daisetsuzan, 6. VIII. 1940, J. Yoshioka; 1♀, Mt. Yubaridake, 16. VII. 1967, A. Nakanishi (KU). Honshu: Nagano Pref.: 1♀, Mt. Hakuba, 24. VII. 1914, Shibakawa (UOP); 3♀ 1♂, Mt. Hakuba, 29. VII. 1928, K. Imanishi (UOP); 3♀ 2♂, Mt. Hakuba, 1. VIII. 1932, K. Takeuchi (UOP); 6♀ 1♂, Hakuba-Oike, 2400 m, 8. VIII. 1968, K. Baba (KU); 1♀, Shou-renge-yama, 2700 m, 8. VIII. 1968, K. Baba (KU); 1♀, Yari-sawa, 3. VIII. 1934, Y. Nakajima; 1♂, Mt. Jonen-

dake, 27. VII. 1935, Y. Nakajima; 2♂, Kamikochi, 22. VIII. 1917, K. Takeuchi (UOP); 1♀, Kamikochi, 22. VIII. 1918, K. Takeuchi (UOP); 2♀ 1♂, Utsukushigahara, 17. VIII. 1961, T. Naito (KU). Niigata/Toyama Pref.: 1♀, Yukikura-dake, 26. VII. 1961, K. Baba (KU). Toyama Pref.: 2♀ 1♂, Mt. Tateyama, 23. VII. 1938, K. Takeuchi (UOP); 1♀, Mt. Tateyama, 20. VIII. 1962 (KU); 1♂, Mt. Tateyama, 21. VIII. 1962 (KU); 1♀, Tsurugisawa, Toyama, 31. VII. 1964. France: 1♀ (paratype of *T. nivalis*), St. Veran (05), 25. VII. 1974; 1♂ (paratype of *T. nivalis*), St. Veran (05), 12. VII. 1975.

Remarks. This species was recorded from Japan under the name of “*Tenthredo devius*” by Takeuchi (1934, 1956), Togashi (1965) and Okutani (1973). I have examined most of Takeuchi’s and Okutani’s material. The Japanese specimens run to *T. nigripleuris* in Taeger’s key and agree with a pair of paratypes of *T. nivalis* Lacourt, 1985, a junior synonym of *T. nigripleuris* (Taeger, 1988). The specimen shown in Fig. 23 in Plate 124 in Togashi (1965) also certainly belongs to this species. I have been unable to confirm the occurrence of *T. devia* (Konow, 1900) in Japan. The specimens from Northern Kuriles (Shumshu and Paramushir Islands) determined as *T. devia* by Takeuchi (1934, 1956) do not belong to *T. nigripleuris*.

Tenthredo nigripleuris is known to occur in the arctic Urals, the Rumanian Carpathians, the French Alps, and Mongolia (Taeger, 1985, 1988), besides Japan. In Japan, this species has been found almost exclusively on the high mountains above the timber line in central Hokkaido and central Honshu.

Tenthredo colon Klug, 1817

Tenthredo colon Klug, 1817, p. 182; Okutani, 1974, p. 196; Shinohara et al., 2000, p. 297.

Tenthredella colon var. *nigriventris*: Takeuchi, 1936, p. 150.

Tenthredella colon nigriventris: Takeuchi, 1952, p. 26; Togashi, 1961, p. 35.

Tenthredella colon: Togashi, 1961, p. 35.

Tenthredo colon nigriventris: Togashi, 1965 a, p. 249; Togashi, 1972, p. 52; Okutani, 1973, p. 21; Togashi,

1978, p. 82; Togashi, 1982, p. 55; Chiba *et al.*, 1985, p. 4; Abe & Togashi, 1989, p. 556; Togashi, 1998 a, p. 259; Togashi, 1998 b, p. 42; Naito *et al.*, 2004, p. 58.
(References relevant only to Japanese fauna are given.)

Distribution. Japan (Hokkaido, Honshu, Sado Is.); Kuriles; Korea; Sakhalin; Siberia; Europe; North America.

Remarks. The Japanese specimens have been usually identified with Enslin's "var. *nigriventris*." However, *nigriventris* is only a color variety found in European and Siberian populations (Enslin, 1912; Malaise, 1931), thus regarded as infrasubspecific under the present Code, and is not applicable to the Japanese populations as a whole. On the other hand, it is possible to interpret that *T. colon nigriventris* with the authorship of Takeuchi (1952) is available, because Takeuchi (1952) first used the trinomen for the Japanese populations of *T. colon*. If the Japanese populations are separable at the subspecific level from the continental populations, the name should be *Tenthredo colon nigriventris* (Takeuchi, 1952). For the moment, however, I would treat the Japanese populations as *T. colon* without recognizing them as a separate subspecies, because the geographical variations of this widely distributed species are still poorly understood.

Tenthredo babai Takeuchi, 1936

Tenthredo babai Takeuchi, 1936, p. 151; Ishii, 1955, p. 11; Takeuchi, 1952, p. 24; Suda, 1972; Abe & Togashi, 1989, p. 556; Nakamura, 2003, p. 263; Naito *et al.*, 2004, p. 58; Nagase, 2004, p. 1249.

Distribution. Japan (Honshu, Sado Is., Kyushu [new record]).

Specimens examined. Honshu: Iwate Pref.: 1♂, "Iwate, Ogasawara" (HU). Tochigi Pref.: 1♀, "Otarawa, 4-V-1949, S. Usuba leg." (KU). Tokyo Met.: 1♀, "Mt. Takamizu, Oume City, v-15, 1967, T. & H. Suda" (KU); 1♀, "Tamagawa, 29. IV. 1929, K. Kamiya"; 1♂, Kamiange, Mt. Jinba, 6. V. 1990, A. Shinohara. Kanagawa Pref.: 1♂, "29. IV. 1951, Ogino, Kanagawa, Takeuchi" "*Tenthredo babai* Takeu. det. Takeuchi" (UOP).

Yamanashi Pref.: 1♀, Kawaguchi-ko, 22. VI. 2003, A. Shinohara. Kyushu: Fukuoka Pref.: 1♀, "Mt. Hikosan, 18. V. 1963, A. Nakanishi" (KU).

Remarks. This species was originally described from Sado Island (Takeuchi, 1936) and later recorded from Kanagawa Prefecture (Ishii, 1955; Nagase, 2004), Tochigi Prefecture (Suda, 1972; Nakamura, 2003), and Hyogo Prefecture (Naito *et al.*, 2004). I have examined specimens from Iwate, Tochigi, Tokyo, Kanagawa, and Yamanashi Prefectures, Honshu, and a female specimen from Mt. Hikosan, Fukuoka Prefecture, Kyushu. This is the first distribution record from Kyushu.

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