ON THE XVII INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON PLECOPTERA AND THE XIII INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EPHEMEROPTERA

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After a postponement of this meeting for one year owing to the devastating effects of the tsunami, an air of anticipation and enthusiasm characterized the XVII International Symposium on Plecoptera and the XIII International Conference on Ephemeroptera, held June 3 – 9 in Wakayama, Honshu, Japan. Dominated by the beautiful Wakayama Castle on Mt. Torafusu, the conference site meeting was located in the Big-Ai Convention center and excellent accomodations were provided by the Hotel Landmark located within the center. Sixty-four registrants from twenty countries attended two keynote addresses, seven oral presentation sessions and two poster presentations sessions. These sessions covered a diverse variety of subjects that included paleontology, biodiversity, distribution, ecology, life history, morphology, molecular data, phylogeny, taxonomy, and physiology.

Among the many highlights of the conference was a special event that included an exhibition of the 'Wadiko' Japanese Drum used in ceremonies in shrines and temples and an exciting demonstration of 'karate' martial art that originated in the Ryukyo (Okinawa) Islands in the 19th Century.

The mid-conference field trip to the Nye River and Dome Village was an opportunity for participants to collect as well as enjoy assisting school children in the field with collecting and conducting taxonomic identifications. A sumptuous barbeque at the Dome Village campsite was followed by a delightful evening viewing the luminescent flights of the Japanese aquatic firefly.

The Japanese restaurant, GANKO, was the site for a superb conference dinner with many courses that included a wide variety of sushi. Surrounded by lovely gardens, this former villa of a wealthy businessman was a delightful setting for this important occasion.

For those who could not get enough of the beautiful Japanese countryside our hosts conducted a post-conference trip to the home of the naturalist, Kumagusu Minakata, that also included some hiking along the UNESCO World Heritage Site 'Kumano-Kodo' pilgrimage route and a visit to the Kumano Hongu Taisha Shrine.

The conference participants certainly express our appreciation to the Organizing Committee for their commendable efforts that went into making the conference a great success: Yasuhiro Takemon, Kyoto University (chairperson); Mayumi Yoshimura, Forestry and Forest Products Research Institute (secretary-general); Koji Tojo, Shinshu University (vice-chairperson); Yu Isobe, Nara Bunka Women's College (gifts), Akikazu

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Taira, Osaka Prefecture University (accompanying person program, post conference trip);

PROGRAM					
Meeting Schedule	Meeting Schedule				
Sunday, June 3					
18:00-21:00	Registration of participants at the Hotel Landmark				
Social Event					
19:00-20:00	Welcome refreshments and drinks at the Hotel Landmark				
Monday, June 4					
9:00-10:00	Registration				
Opening Ceremony					
10:00-10:15	Opening and welcome address by Yasuhiro Takemon (Conference Chairperson)				
10:15-10:25	Welcome address from the Governor of Wakayama Prefecture				
10:25-10:35	Welcome address from the Mayor of Wakawama City				
	Opening and welcome address from Michel Sartori and John Brittain (International Committee Chairs)				
Keynote Address I	Keynote Address I				
11:00 -12:00	Tokeshi, M Comparative biodiversity of Ephemeroptera and Plecoptera from Asian to global perspectives				
12:00-12:15	Conference picture				
12:14-14:10	Noon recess				
Oral Presentation I:	Past-Present-Future (Chair: J. Brittain)				
14:10-14:30	Alba-Tercedor, J., J. M. Poquet, R. Rodríguez-López Predicting the effect of global warming on mayfly and stonefly families in the Iberian Mediterranean area of Spain				
14:30-14:50	Bojková, J., T. Soldán, S. Zahrádková Plecoptera taxocenoses and degredation of watercourses in the Czech Republic: changes after 50 years				

14:50-15:40	Coffee break			
15:40-16:00	Godunko, R. J., A. H. Staniczek Revision of fossil Metretopodidae (Insecta: Ephemeroptera) in Baltic amber			
16:00-16:20	Tojo, K. Evolutionary origin of the insect wing: Approach from			
Special Event	Ephemeropteran embryology			
17:30-19:00	Presentation of 'Wadaiko' Japanese Drum Presentation of 'Karate' martial art			
Tuesday, June 5				
Keynote Address II				
9:30-10:30	Tanida, K Historical overviews of aquatic entomologists and insects in Japan			
10:30-11:00	Coffee break			
Oral Presentation II: E	Siodiversity, Distribution, Faunistics (Chair: T. Soldan)			
11:00-11:20	Sartori, M., J. L. Gattolliat, M. T. Monaghan Origin, diversification and the future of Macaronesian mayflies (Ephemeroptera)			
11:20-11:40	Bolortsetseg, E., B. Badamdorj The Mayfly (Ephemeroptera) studies of streams, rivers, and lakes of Mongol Altai Mountain			
11:40-12:00	Nelson, C. Log-series statistical distribution in Plecoptera classification			
12:00-14:00	Noon recess			
Oral Presentation III: Ecology, Morphology, Physiology (Chair: P. Zwick)				
14:00-14:20	Sekine, K., K, Tojo The origin and expansion of unisexual populations in the geographically parthenogenetic mayfly <i>Ephoron shigae</i> (Polymitarcyidae)			
14:20-14:40	Barber-James, H. M., F. C. de Moor A scanning Electron Microscopy study of mating adaptations in the Prosopistomatidae (Ephemeroptera)			

14:40-15:00 Sato, H., Y. Degawa

Not gills, but fungi: Harpellales, a fungal order inhabiting the gut of aquatic insects

15:00-15:30 Coffee break

15:30-15:50 Conference site proposals

Poster Session I: Phylogeny, Systematics, Taxonomy

15:50-17:30

Zrelli, S., M. Boumaiza, M. Bejaoui, J. L., Gattolliat, M. Sartori New data and revision of the Ephemeroptera of Tunisia

Lecci, L. S., C. G. Froehlich, P. C. Bispo

Phylogenetic analysis of the genus *Gripoteryx* (Pictet 1841) (Plecoptera: Gripopterygidae), based on morphology

Ishiwata, S.

Revision of the genus *Drunella* (Insecta: Ephemeroptera: Ephemerellidae) from Japan

Yoshinari, G., M. Nakamura, S. Uchida A new species of *Togoperla* (Perlidae) from Japan

Salles, F. F., Y. Shimano, E. D. G. Soares, L. R. R. Faria Revision of *Oligoneuria* Pictet (Ephemeroptera: Oligoneuridae)

Zhou, C. F.

The nymph of *Gilliesia pulchra* Zhou (Ephemeroptera: Leptophlebiidae)

Gattolliat, J. L., L. Vuataz, M. Sartori

Mayfly fauna of Jordan: relevance of a barcoding gene for the association of ontogenetic stages

Boumans, L.

DNA barcoding of Norwegian stoneflies and of heptageniid mayflies

Vuataz, L., M. Sartori, A. Wagner, M. T. Monaghan

Toward a revised taxonomy of Alpine *Rhithrogen*a (Ephemeroptera: Heptageniidae): the utility of a barcode gene

Kato, Y., K. Tojo

Molecular phylogenetics of East Asian *Yoraperla* stoneflies (Plecoptera, Peltoperlidae)

Kato Y., K. Tojo

Molecular phylogenetic relationships of East Asian *Cryptoperla* stoneflies (Plecoptera, Peltoperlidae)

Takenaka, M., K. Tojo

Genetic structures of dipteromimid mayflies endemic to Japan (Ephemeroptera, Dipteromimidaeae)

Saito, R., K. Tojo

Genetic structures of the isonychiid mayfly *Isonychia japonica* (Ephemeroptera, Isonychiidae)

Morii, Y., M. Yoshii, T. Kishimoto, K. Tojo

Molecular biogeography of the scopurid stoneflies (Plecoptera, Scopuridae)

Maracci, S., N. Vuilleumier, M. Sartori

Aqualogue: an original scheme to record aquatic insect biodiversity

Kobayashi, S., Y. Takemon

Longitudinal patterns in taxonomic richness of Ephemeroptera and Plecoptera in a Japanese River

Wednesday, June 6

Mid-Conference Trip to the Nye River and Dome Village

Thursday, June 7

Oral Presentation IV: Ecology, Life History, Biology (Chair: Y. Takemon)

9:30-9:50	Pereira-da-Conceicoa, L. L., H. M. Barber-James A preliminary investigation of the diversity of Teloganodidae (Ephemeroptera) in South African rivers
9:50-10:10	López-Rodríguez, M. J., J. M. Tierno de Figueroa Life in the dark: on the biology of the cavernicolous stonefly <i>Protonemura gevi</i> (Insecta: Plecoptera)
10:10-10:30	Hitchings, T. Life in turbulent water for <i>Deleatidium</i> (Ephemeroptera: Leptophlebiidae) from New Zealand
10:30-10:50	Boumans, L. Incipient speciation: a distinct local population of Leuctra hippopus (Plecoptera) in Norway
10:50-11:20	Coffee break
11:20-11:40	Morii, Y., M. Yoshii, T. Kishimoto, K. Tojo Differences of eclosion pattern between two closely related scopurid stoneflies (Plecoptera, Scopuridae)

11:40-12:00	Ban, Y., T. Mita, M. Ishikawa Inspection of patchy emergence of mass-emerging mayfly, <i>Ephoron</i> shigae Takahashi (Ephemeroptera, Polymitarcyidae) from larvae side
12:00-12:20	Saltveit, S.J., J.E. Brittain Life cycle strategies in contrasting populations of the stonefly, Amphinemura standfussi (Plecoptera, Nemouridae)
12:20-14:00	Noon recess
Oral Presentation V:	Ecology (Chair: M. Sartori)
14:00-14:20	Avlyush, S., M. Schaeffer, D. Borchardt Life cycles and secondary production of mayflies (Ephemeroptera) in the Kharaa River, Mongolia
14:20-14:40	Manko, P. Microdistribution patterns of stonefly nymphs in small flysch river (Eastern Carpathians, Slovakia)
14:40-15:00	Ozolins, D. Microhabitat preference of different mayfly larvae instars in medium sized lowland stream in Latvia
15:00-15:30	Coffee break
General Shows	
15:30-15:45	Yoshimura, M. Slide show of Mid-Conference trip
15:45-16:15	Alba-Tercedor, J. (use anaglyph glasses)

Poster session II: Morphology, Ecology, Life History, Physiology, Technical Information

Prosoptistoma pennigerum (Müller, 1785)

16:15-18:00

Bolortsetseg, E., J. Morse, B. Badamdorj

A gynander subimago *Baetis* sp. (Ephemeroptera, Baetidae) from Mongolia

Micro-computer tomography analysis techniques applied to mayflies, with a detailed study of the anatomy of the nymph of

Sekine, K., K. Tojo

The origin and expansion of unisexual populations in the geographically parthogenetic mayfly *Ephoron shigae* (Polymitarcyidae)

Helland, N. K. S., J. E. Brittain

Distribution of Plecoptera, Ephemeroptera and Trichoptera in

a Norwegian mountain stream system in relation to environmental variables

López-Rodríguez, M. J., C. E. Trenzado, J. M. Tierno de Figueroa, A. Sanz

Digestive enzyme activity and trophic behavior in two predator aquatic insects (Plecoptera, Perlidae). A comparive study

Tierno de Figueroa, J. M., M. J. López-Rodríguez, T. Bo, S. Fenoglio Life cycle and nymphal feeding of three high mountain Alpine macroinvertebrate species (Plecoptera and Ephemeroptera)

Koščo, J., P. Manko

The diet composition of *Perla marginata* larvae (Plecoptera: Perlidae) in a Eastern Carpathian flysch river

Wagner, A., M. Sartori

Ontogeny of tarsal claws in selected mayfly species (Ephemeroptera)

Ogany, Y.

Comparitive morphology of the epiproct in Japanese *Stavsolus* (Plecoptera: Perlodidae)

Loskutova, O., L. Zhiltzova

Wing and body size polymorphism in population *Arcynopteryx* compacta McL. (Plecoptera: Perlodidae) in the Ural Mountains (Russia)

Takemon, Y.

Diversity of the reproductive behavior in mayflies

Luzón-Ortega, J. M., M. J. López-Rodríguez, J. M. Tierno de Figueroa **Description of the drumming signal of** *Eoperla ochracea* (Kolbe, 1885) (Plecoptera: Perlidae)

Morii, Y., M. Yoshii, T. Kishimoto, K. Tojo

The parapatric distribution pattern derived from reproductive interference between two closely related scopurid stoneflies (Plecoptera, Scopuridae)

Grant, P., M. Walters, C. Wright

The life cycle and substrate preference of *Cercobrachys etowah* Soldan (Ephemeroptera: Caenidae) inhabiting a sandy bottom stream

Yoshimura, M.

Preference of tree types in adult *Kamimuria tibialis* (Plecoptera, Perlidae)

Kitchen, L., B. Peacock, C. Macadam

The Anglers' Monitoring Initiative – public engagement and river quality monitoring

Lu, C. T., H. M. Lee, C. M. Linn, D. J. Wei, C. F. Tang A study of Forciomyia taiwana (biting midge) repellent

J. Alba-Tercedor

Studying the anatomy of wet specimens of mayflies of the genus Baetis (Insecta: Ephemeroptera) by scanning them into a liquid with the Skyscan 1172 high resolution micro-CT

Auction

18:00	Closing of silent auction	
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Friday, June 8

Oral Presentation	VII	Systematics	Tavonomy	Riogeography (Chair: A	Staniczak)
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Oral Presentation VI: Systematics, Taxonomy, Biogeography (Chair: A. Staniczek)				
9:30-9:50	Salles, F. F., E. Soares, R. Hott Current knowledge of Brazilian Baetidae (Ephemeroptera)			
9:50-10:10	Gattolliat, H. Biogeography of the Baetidae in South-East Asia: a generic and specific perspective			
10:10-10:30	Naranjo López, C., J. G. Peters Mayflies (Ephemeroptera) of the Greater Antilles, with new records for Jamaica and the Dominican Republic			
10:30-10:50	Soldán, T., R. J. Godunko, P. Sroka, J. Bojková Mayfly (Ephemeroptera) species inventory of the Caucasus Mountains			
10:50-11:20	Coffee break			
11:20-11:40	Vuataz, L., M. Sartori, M. T. Monaghan Endemism and diversification in freshwater insects of Madagascar revealed by coalescent and phylogenetic analysis of museum and field collections			
11:40-12:00	Wakimura, K., Y. Takemon, A. Takayangi, K. Tanida, S. Ishiwata, N. Shimizu, M. Kato Construction of a DNA database for Japanese mayflies for quick species identification			
Poster Prize				
12:00	Closing of ballots for poster prize			
12:00-13:40	Noon recess			

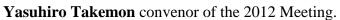
Oral Presentation VII: Systematics, Taxonomy, Biogeography (Chair: C. Nelson)

Zhou, C.F. The nymph of Gilliesia pulchra Zhou (Ephemeroptera: Leptophlebiidae)		
Surenkhorloo, P. Contribution to the East Palearctic and Nearctic species of Mesocapnia Raušer, 1968 (Plecoptera: Capniidae)		
Macadam, C., L. Kitchen, M. Dobson Ephemeroptera in the UK: a national approach to monitoring and conservation management		
Coffee break		
Takemon, Y. Biodiversity patterns and processes revisited from Asia		
Conference Dinner at GANKO Japanese Restaurant		
Saturday, June 9 Post-Conference Trip to Southern Wakayama		

Otherwise than noted, photographs courtesy of Charles Nelson.



Wakayama Castle overlooking Wakayama, Japan.







Shigekazu Uchida and Purevdorj Surenkhorloo discussing Palearctic stoneflies.



Manuel Tierno de Figueroa and Manuel Jesús López-Rodriguez reflecting on Iberian stoneflies.



Dr. Peter Zwick and Lucas Lecci collecting at the Nye River.



The master at work, **Dr. Peter Zwick**.



Participants and school children at the Dome Village.



Participants at the Conference Dinner held at GANKO.



Conference participants trying traditional Japanese drumming.
Photograph, courtesy John Brittain



Lifetime Achievement Award Recipients Drs. **John Brittain**, **Yu Isobe** and **John Hanson** (not pictured) with presenters Prof. **Peter Zwick** (for Isobe) and Dr. **Charles Nelson** (for Dr. **John Hanson**, see *Perla* 30).

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