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According to a contribution of Okada 1984, that the number of species of Genus Nesiodrosophila Wheeler & Takada 1964, attains thirty-one in total, which is expected to be doubled in future. Nishiharu 1981, described that some species of this genus are often captured by sweeping with nets on herbs in the forest. Many individuales of N. lindae Wheeler & Takada, were found gathering on decaying stems of Cardiocrinum cordatum in Kyushu, southern Japan, and N. okadai Nishiharu, although only one individual, was obserbed breeding on decaying leaves of C. cordatum in Honshu, central Japan.

The authors has the collection of drosophilid flies with yeasted banana-baits on herbs at a stream side in the deciduous broad-leaved forest of Toyotomi Hot Spring (Fig. 2), northern Hokkaido, Japan, during from August 1 to 5, 1984, resulting in captured of total of 516 drosophilid flies including five genera and twenty-nine species, containing a new species of

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Genus Nesiodrosophila.

Types of the new species are deposited in the Biological Laboratory, Sapporo University.

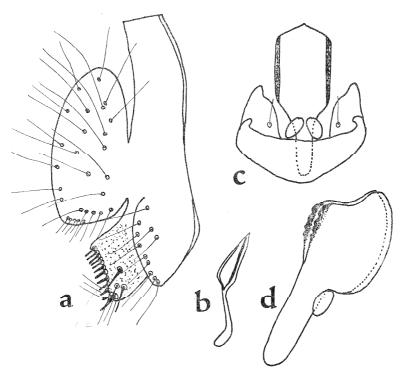


Figure 1. Nesiodrosophila septentriata n. sp.; a, periphallic organs. b, ejaculatory apodeme. c, phallic organ, ventral aspect. d, aedeagus, lateral aspect.

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Nesiodrosophila septentriata n. sp. (Fig. 1, a-d)

Japanese name: Kita-Togeo-Shojobae.

Male. Bady about 2.5 mm in length. Wings about 2.7mm. Head slightly broader than thorax. Eye dark red, oblique to body axis. Antennae yellowish brown, third with thick pubescence, distally dark brown and much swollen. Arista with about three dorsal and two ventral branches and a large terminal fork.

Palpus yellow, triangular, with a few prominent apical setae. Ocellar triangle dark brown. Periorbit greyish yellow. Front matted, brownish yellow; a few frontal hairs present. Carina low, destally broadened. Cheeks yellowish white, about one-third as broad as the greatest diameter of the eye. Ocellars long, inserted just outsite ocellar triangle. Anterior reclinate orbital bristle slightly before and outside proclinate, four-seventh as long as proclinate, two-fifth as long as posterior reclinate, twice as distance from posterior reclinate as from proclinate. Second oral about half as long as vibrissa. Sternoindex about 0.6.

Mesonotum greyish brown, matt. Scutellum greyish brown, marginally somewhat pale. Thoracic pleura greyish orange. Acrostichal hairs in six rows. Presutural setae just outside on the dorsocentrals lines. Halters yellowish white

Abdominal segment dark yellow or reddish yellow, without banded color. Wings clear; veins yellowish brown; costalindex about 3.6; 4v-index about 1.5; 4c-index about 0.6;5x-index about 1.0; AC-index about 1.6. C3 fringe on basal three-eight. Periphallic organs (Fig. 1.a): Epandrium yellow with about eleven bristles on posterior margin; heel present. Cercus large and oval, fusion at middle of epandrium; tip rounded with about five short hairs. Surstylus teeth about 12-13, and secondary teeth 2-3.

Phallic organs (Fig. 1-c, d): Aedeagus globular, yellow, upper posterior margin dark grey and slightly serrated. Anterior parameres elliptical shape, without apical censillum.

Holotype: Male, Toyotomi Hot Spring (E. 142, N. 45), Hokkaido; Aug. 2, 1984 (Takada & Maekawa).

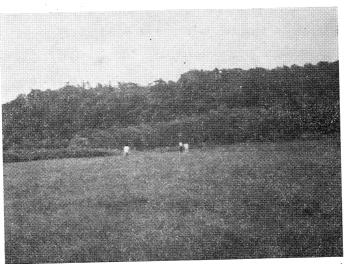
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Paratype: One male, collected togather with holotype.

Distribution. Hokkaido, Japan.

C-Indese 3.0 Relationships. Closely allied to Nesiodrosophila sufflava Takada, Beppu & Toda, 1979. These two species differs, however, from each other in detailed features of the male genitalia.



The collecting point of the deciduous broad-leaved forest at Toyotomi Hot Spring, northernmost Hokkaido, Japan (Aug. 3, 1984).

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