

Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from pelagic cherts in the Nanjō Mountains, Southwest Japan – Part 2. Kanmuri Yama district

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Abstract: The Nanjō Mountains located in the central region of Fukui Prefecture, Southwest Japan, are chiefly underlain by the sedimentary complex of various rock-types such as basalt, limestone, chert, mudstone and sandstone. Among these rocks within the mountains, twenty-seven chert outcrops (localities) were explored for their radiolarian content. Twenty-six rock samples from seventeen localities in the studied Kanmuri Yama district yielded moderately- to poorly-preserved radiolarian remains as a result. Most of the samples contain Triassic to Middle Jurassic species, with Spumellaria and Entactinaria dominant among the Triassic faunas and with Nassellaria dominant among the Jurassic faunas. The description and faunal analysis of these radiolarians revealed that the cherts in the Kanmuri Yama district span a wide range of age from the Late Olenekian to Middle Bathonian stages.

Keywords: radiolaria, Triassic, Middle Jurassic, Nanjō Mountains, Mino belt, Kanmuri Yama district, Fukui Prefecture, Southwest Japan

1. Introduction

The Nanjō Mountains, which extend over an area of ca. 40 km x 20 km in the central region of Fukui Prefecture, are geotectonically divided into the Mino and Ultra-Tamba belts of the Inner Zone of Southwest Japan. The lithologic assemblages of each belt differ from one other; the accretionary complex of the Mino belt is regarded as one of the Jurassic accretionary complexes that formed along the eastern margin of the paleo-Asian continent (*e.g.*, Wakita, 1988), conversely the accretionary complex of the Ultra-Tamba belt is dominated by pale or greenish gray sandstone with subordinate chert and phyllitic mudstone of Permian age (Umeda *et al.*, 1996; Nakae, 2012). The Mino belt consists of thrust-bounded units of basalt and limestone of oceanic island/seamount origin, cherts of pelagic origin and terrigenous clastic rocks (Wakita, 1988; Nakae *et al.*, 2013). 1:50,000 scale maps of the “Imajō” and “Kanmuri Yama” districts almost cover the entire area of the Nanjō Mountains (Fig. 1).

The age of the cherts in the Nanjō Mountains has so far been determined to be Triassic to Jurassic (*e.g.*, Hattori and Yoshimura, 1982; Takamura and Hayami, 1985; Taga, 1997; Umeda and Taga, 2003). Through this present study, additional extraction of radiolarians from the accretionary complex of the Mino belt in the Nanjō Mountains was therefore conducted for detailed age determination of its

component rocks. Consequently, this study presents a systematic description of all radiolarian species extracted from the cherts in the Kanmuri Yama district as the second report. Those from the Imajō district have already been described in the first report by Nakae (2013).

2. Materials and Method

Through the course of this study, 530 samples were collected in the Nanjō Mountains (222 from the Imajō district, and 308 from the Kanmuri Yama district). The samples were undertaken using an usual technique for radiolarian extraction; briefly, the rock samples were individually soaked in dilute hydrofluoric acid (HF) solution (5%) for 10 to 15 hours, before being washed through a 62µm mesh sieve (235#). As a result, age-diagnostic radiolarians representative of Triassic to Middle Jurassic ages recovered from forty chert samples (from twenty-seven localities), twenty-six of which were from the Kanmuri Yama district. The residues of each processed sample were then examined under a stereomicroscope, and radiolarian remains were selected for examination by scanning electronic microscope (SEM). All figured specimens were deposited and registered with the Geological Museum, Geological Survey of Japan under catalogue numbers (GSJ F).

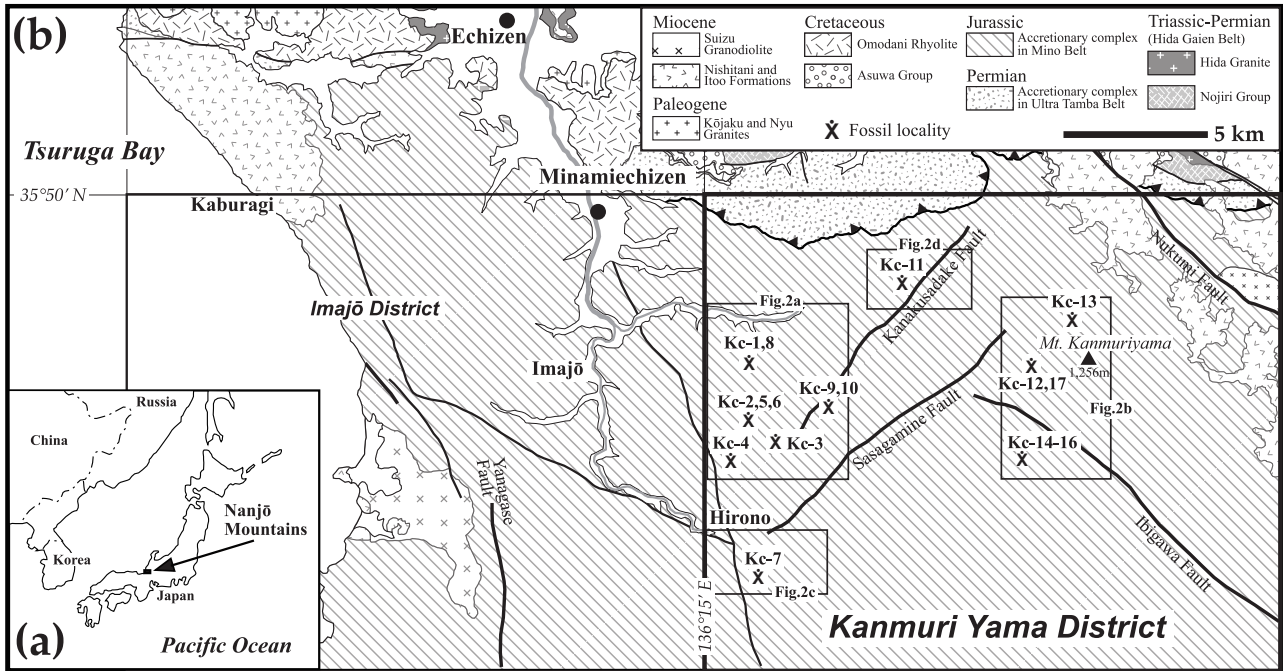


Fig. 1 Index map of the Kanmuri Yama district in Nanjō Mountains. (a): The Nanjō Mountains are situated in a central part of Fukui Prefecture. (b): A simplified geological map of the mountains, most part of which geotectonically belongs to the Mino belt, Southwest Japan. The Kanmuri Yama district contains the eastern part of the Nanjō Mountains. Detailed radiolarian localities with symbols are given in Fig. 2.

3. Radiolarian locality and fauna

Twenty-six chert samples comprising part of a suite of 308 samples that were collected from the Kanmuri Yama district in the Nanjō Mountains yielded moderately- to poorly-preserved radiolarian faunas. Radiolarian localities (Kc-1 – Kc17) are shown in Figs. 1 and 2, and the identified species are listed in Table 1. Below is a detailed description of each locality investigated and their faunal contents.

(1) Locality Kc-1 (Fig. 2a)

Location: Tarumi-gawa, Minamiechizen Town.

(lat. 35°46'31.3" N, long. 136°16'57.4" E)

Sample number: KJ 0301.

Lithology: Thinly bedded light gray to pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Cryptostephanidium?* sp., *Palaeosaturnalis* sp., *Haekelicyrtium?* spp. (Plate 1).

Age: Probably Carnian.

(2) Locality Kc-2 (Fig. 2a)

Location: Northeast of Masudani, Minamiechizen Town.

(lat. 35°45'23.8" N, long. 136°16'40.6" E)

Sample number: KJ 0402

Lithology: Thinly bedded light pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Eptingium nakasekoi* Kozur and Mostler, *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishinura), *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp., *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Triassocampe* spp., *Poulpidae* gen. et sp. indet., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 1).

Age: Late Anisian.

Sample number: KJ 0403

Lithology: Thinly bedded light pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp., *Triassocampe* sp. cf. *T. myterocorys* Sugiyama, *Multimonilis* sp. (Plate 1).

Age: Probably Ladinian – Early Carnian.

Sample number: KJ 0404

Lithology: Thinly bedded light pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Triassocampe* sp., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 1).

Age: Late Anisian – middle Late Ladinian.

(3) Locality Kc-3 (Fig. 2a)

Location: East of Masudani, Minamiechizen Town.

(lat. 35°44'58.4" N, long. 136°17'9.1" E)

Sample number: KJ 0410c.

Lithology: Thinly bedded reddish brown chert.

Fauna: *Droltus* sp. cf. *D. hecatensis* Pessagno and Whalen, *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 1).

Age: Probably Hettangian – Early Pliensbachian.

(4) Locality Kc-4 (Fig. 2a)

Location: Masudani, Minamiechizen Town.

(lat. 35°44'28.5" N, long. 136°15'38.5" E)

Sample number: KJ 0810e.

Lithology: Thinly bedded gray chert.

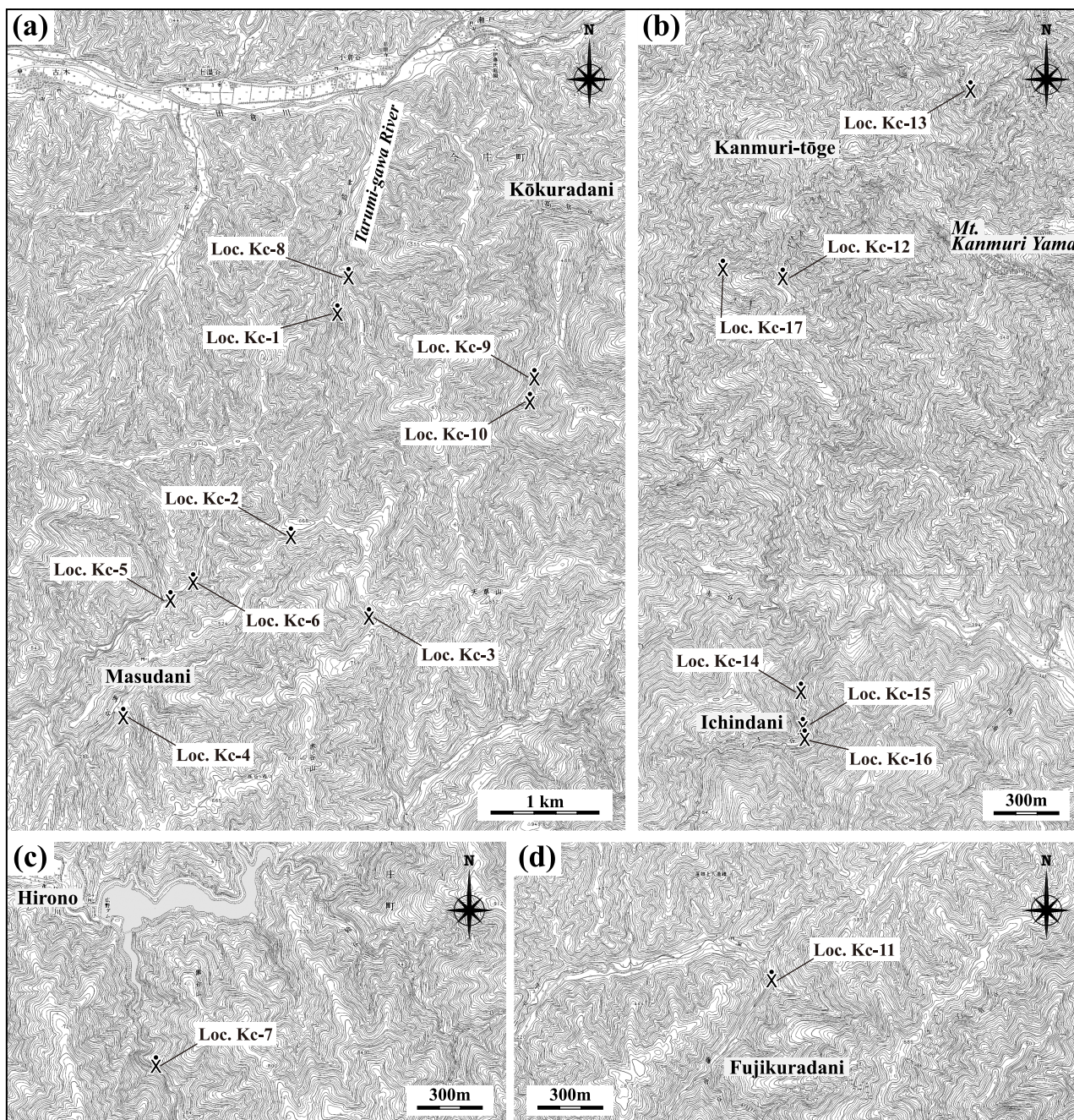


Fig. 2 Localities of chert samples yielding Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians. Parts of topographic maps of “Furuki” is used for figures (a) and (d), “Kanmuri Yama” and “Mino Tokuyama” for figure (b) and “Hirono” for figure (c). These maps are published from the Geospatial Information Authority of Japan.

Fauna: *Archaeocenosphaera?* sp., *Pseudostylosphaera?* spp., *Tirodella?* sp., *Celluronta* sp., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 2).
Age: Early Anisian – Middle Anisian.

Sample number: KJ 0810f.

Lithology: Thinly bedded gray chert.

Fauna: *Eptingium?* sp., *Pseudostylosphaera* spp., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 2).

Age: Probably Early Anisian – Early Carnian.

Sample number: KJ 0810g.

Lithology: Thinly bedded gray chert.

Fauna: *Cryptostephanidium?* sp., *Eptingium* sp., *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Parasepsagon* sp., *Triassocampe* spp., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 2).

Age: Middle Anisian – Late Anisian.

Table. 2 List of radiolarian genera and their biostratigraphic ranges.

Genus	Range
<i>Pantanellium</i>	upper Carnian — lower Aptian
<i>Zartus</i>	lower Pliensbachian — upper Bajocian
<i>Trillus</i>	lower Pliensbachian — lower Bathonian
<i>Archaeocenosphaera</i>	middle Anisian — upper Campanian
<i>Udalia</i>	lower Hettangian — lower Pliensbachian
<i>Protopsium</i>	upper Hettangian — lower Toarcian
<i>Spongoxystris</i>	middle Anisian — Ladinian
<i>Oertlispongus</i>	upper Anisian — lower Carnian
<i>Palaeosaturnalis</i>	lower Carnian — upper Pliensbachian
<i>Praemesosaturnalis</i>	upper Norian — upper Rhaetian
<i>Pentabelus</i>	upper Olenekian — lower Carnian
<i>Monostylosphaera</i>	lower Carnian — upper Carnian
<i>Spongostephanidium</i>	upper Olenekian — upper Carnian
<i>Cryptostephanidium</i>	lower Anisian — upper Carnian
<i>Eptingium</i>	lower Anisian — upper Rhaetian
<i>Pseudostylosphaera</i>	upper Olenekian — lower Carnian
<i>Parasepsagon</i>	middle Anisian — upper Anisian
<i>Hindeosphaera</i>	middle Anisian — middle Norian
<i>Muelleritortis</i>	Ladinian — lower Carnian
<i>Hozmadia</i>	upper Olenekian — upper Carnian
<i>Tirodella</i>	lower Carnian
<i>Bipedis</i>	upper Norian — upper Pliensbachian
<i>Napora</i>	upper Sinemurian — lower Turonian
<i>Haeklicyrtium</i>	lower Carnian — upper Pliensbachian
<i>Celluronta</i>	lower Anisian — middle Anisian
<i>Paratriassocampe</i>	middle Anisian — upper Anisian
<i>Triassocampe</i>	lower Anisian — lower Norian
<i>Yeharaia</i>	middle Anisian — lower Carnian
<i>Eucyrtidiellum</i>	lower Pliensbachian — upper Tithonian
<i>Droltus</i>	lower Hettangian — lower Bajocian
<i>Parahsuum</i>	lower Hettangian — upper Kimmeridgian
<i>Hsuum</i>	lower Pliensbachian — lower Cenomanian
<i>Canoptum</i>	Ladinian — upper Bajocian
<i>Multimonilis</i>	Ladinian — middle Norian
<i>Praeparvicingula</i>	middle Toarcian — upper Barremian
<i>Parvicingula</i>	upper Bathonian — upper Hauterivian
<i>Lantus</i>	lower Pliensbachian — lower Kimmeridgian
<i>Minocapsa</i>	lower Pliensbachian — lower Toarcian

(5) Locality Kc-5 (Fig. 2a)

Location: Northeast of Masudani, Minamiechizen Town. (lat. 35°45'4.9" N, long. 136°15'55.1" E)

Sample number: KJ 0904a.

Lithology: Thinly bedded pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Archaeocenosphaera?* spp., *Triassocampe* sp., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 3).

Age: Probably Middle Anisian – Early Norian.

Sample number: KJ 0904b.

Lithology: Thinly bedded pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Archaeocenosphaera?* spp., *Eptingium?* sp., *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and

Nishimura), *Triassocampe* spp., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 3).

Age: Late Anisian – middle Late Ladinian.

Sample number: KJ 0904c.

Lithology: Thinly bedded pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Pseudostylosphaera* sp. aff. *P. tenuis* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 3).

Age: Probably Middle Anisian or younger.

(6) Locality Kc-6 (Fig. 2a)

Location: Northeast of Masudani, Minamiechizen Town. (lat. 35°45'7.6" N, long. 136°16'5.5" E)

Sample number: KJ 0905b.

Lithology: Thinly bedded dark gray chert.

Fauna: *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 3).

Age: Unknown.

Sample number: KJ 0905c.

Lithology: Thinly bedded dark gray chert.

Fauna: *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome, *Hsuum* sp. cf. *H. mulleri* Pessagno and Whalen, *Parahsuum* spp., *Lantus?* sp., *Favosyringiinae* gen. et sp. indet., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 3).

Age: Early Pliensbachian – Middle Bajocian?

(7) Locality Kc-7 (Fig. 2c)

Location: Southeast of Hirono, Minamiechizen Town.

(lat. 35°42'5.5" N, long. 136°15'45.6" E)

Sample number: KJ 1904a.

Lithology: Thinly bedded dark gray chert.

Fauna: *Pantanellium?* *virgeum* Sashida, *Pseudostylosphaera?* spp., *Monostylosphaera?* sp., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 4).

Age: Late Olenekian – Middle Anisian.

(8) Locality Kc-8 (Fig. 2a)

Location: Tarumi-gawa, Minamiechizen Town.

(lat. 35°46'42.5" N, long. 136°17'1.9" E)

Sample number: KJ 2206a.

Lithology: Thinly bedded gray chert.

Fauna: *Udalia* spp., *Napora mitrata* Pessagno, Whalen and Yeh, *Napora* sp., *Eucyrtidiellum nagatae* Dumitrica, Goričan and Matsuoka, *Parahsuum simplum* Yao, *Parahsuum ovale* Hori and Yao, *Parahsuum izeense* (Pessagno and Whalen), *Parahsuum longiconicum* Sashida, *Parahsuum* spp., *Hsuum* sp. sensu Matsuoka 2004, *Canoptum* sp. cf. *C. rugosum* Pessagno and Poisson, *Lantus obesus* (Yeh), *Lantus intermedius* Carter, *Minocapsa globosa* Matsuoka, *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 4).

Age: Early Toarcian.

Sample number: KJ 2206h.

Lithology: Thinly bedded gray chert.

Fauna: *Spongostephanidium* sp., *Cryptostephanidium?*

sp., *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Pseudostylosphaera* spp., *Hindeosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Triassocampe* spp., *Paratriassocampe* sp. (Plate 5).
Age: Late Anisian.

Sample number: KJ 2206i.

Lithology: Thinly bedded gray chert.

Fauna: *Eptingium* sp., *Pseudostylosphaera*? spp., *Bipedis* sp., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 5).

Age: Probably Carnian – Late Norian.

(9) Locality Kc-9 (Fig. 2a)

Location: South of Kōkuradani, Minamiechizen Town.
(lat. 35°46'12.1" N, long. 136°18'12" E)

Sample number: KJ 2412.

Lithology: Thinly bedded light gray chert.

Fauna: *Cryptostephanidium*? sp., *Pseudostylosphaera* spp., *Pseudostylosphaera*? spp., *Triassocampe* sp. aff. *T. diordinis* Bragin sensu Sugiyama 1992, *Triassocampe* spp., *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 5).

Age: Middle Anisian.

(10) Locality Kc-10 (Fig. 2a)

Location: South of Kōkuradani, Minamiechizen Town.
(lat. 35°46'4" N, long. 136°18'8.2" E)

Sample number: KJ 2413.

Lithology: Thinly bedded greenish gray chert.

Fauna: *Spongoxystris*? sp., *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Muelleritortis cochleata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Triassocampe* sp. cf. *T. myterocorys* Sugiyama, *Triassocampe* spp. (Plate 6).

Age: Late Ladinian – earliest Carnian.

(11) Locality Kc-11 (Fig. 2d)

Location: Fujikuradani, Minamiechizen Town.
(lat. 35°48'21.5" N, long. 136°20'23.2" E)

Sample number: KJ 2902c.

Lithology: Thinly bedded dark gray chert.

Fauna: *Protopsium* spp., *Oertlispongus* sp., *Spongostephanidium* spp., *Eptingium*? sp., *Pentabelus* sp. cf. *P. furutani* Sugiyama, *Pseudostylosphaera* sp., *Poulpidae* gen. et sp. indet., *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet., *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 6).

Age: Probably Late Anisian – Early Carnian.

(12) Locality Kc-12 (Fig. 2b)

Location: South of Kanmuri-tōge, Ibigawa Town.
(lat. 35°46'40.1" N, long. 136°23'13.4" E)

Sample number: KJ 3701.

Lithology: Thinly bedded light dark gray chert.

Fauna: *Parahsuum* spp., *Hsuum*? sp., *Canoptum* sp. cf. *C. anulatum* Pessagno and Poisson, *Favosyringiinae* gen. et sp. indet., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 7).

Age: Probably Early Pliensbachian – early Late Toarcian.

(13) Locality Kc-13 (Fig. 2b)

Location: Northeast of Kanmuri-tōge, Ikeda Town.
(lat. 35°47'37.2" N, long. 136°24'23.3" E)

Sample number: KJ 3907.

Lithology: Thinly bedded light pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Eptingium nakasekoi* Kozur and Mostler, *Eptingium* sp., *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Hindeosphaera* sp., *Monostylosphaera*? sp. *Triassocampe* spp., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 7).

Age: Middle Anisian – Late Anisian.

(14) Locality Kc-14 (Fig. 2b)

Location: Ichindani, Ibigawa Town.
(lat. 35°44'36.4" N, long. 136°23'20.2" E)

Sample number: KJ 4401a.

Lithology: Thinly bedded pale gray chert.

Fauna: *Palaeosaturnalis* sp., *Praemesosaturnalis* spp., *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 7).

Age: Late Norian – Late Rhaetian.

(15) Locality Kc-15 (Fig. 2b)

Location: Ichindani, Ibigawa Town.
(lat. 35°44'23.3" N, long. 136°23'21" E)

Sample number: KJ 4405

Lithology: Thinly bedded gray chert.

Fauna: *Pantanellium* spp., *Parahsuum* sp. cf. *P. longiconicum* Sashida, *Praeparvicungula* spp. (Plate 8).

Age: Probably Early Pliensbachian – Early Aalenian.

(16) Locality Kc-16 (Fig. 2b)

Location: Ichindani, Ibigawa Town.
(lat. 35°44'21.2" N, long. 136°23'21.3" E)

Sample number: KJ 4406a.

Lithology: Thinly bedded gray chert.

Fauna: *Zartus* sp., *Praeparvicungula gigantocornis* (Kishida and Hisada), *Praeparvicungula* sp. cf. *P. nanoconica* (Hori and Otsuka), *Praeparvicungula* spp., *Parvicungula* sp., *Dictyomitrella*? sp. cf. *D.? kamoensis* Mizutani and Kido, *Patulibracchiidae* gen. et sp. indet., *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet. (Plate 8).

Age: Late Toarcian – Bajocian.

(17) Locality Kc-17 (Fig. 2b)

Location: Southwest of Kanmuri-tōge, Ibigawa Town.
(lat. 35°46'44.2" N, long. 136°22'50" E)

Sample number: KJ 5904.

Lithology: Thinly bedded light gray chert.

Fauna: *Pantanellium* spp., *Parahsuum* spp., *Parahsuum*? sp. A, *Lantus intermedius* Carter (Plate 8).

Age: Latest Sinemurian – Early Toarcian.

4. Age determination

In order to determine the geological age of the radiolarian faunas detected from the chert samples of this report, the zonation schemes proposed by Sugiyama (1997) for Triassic (TR0 – TR8D), by Hori (1990) and Carter *et*

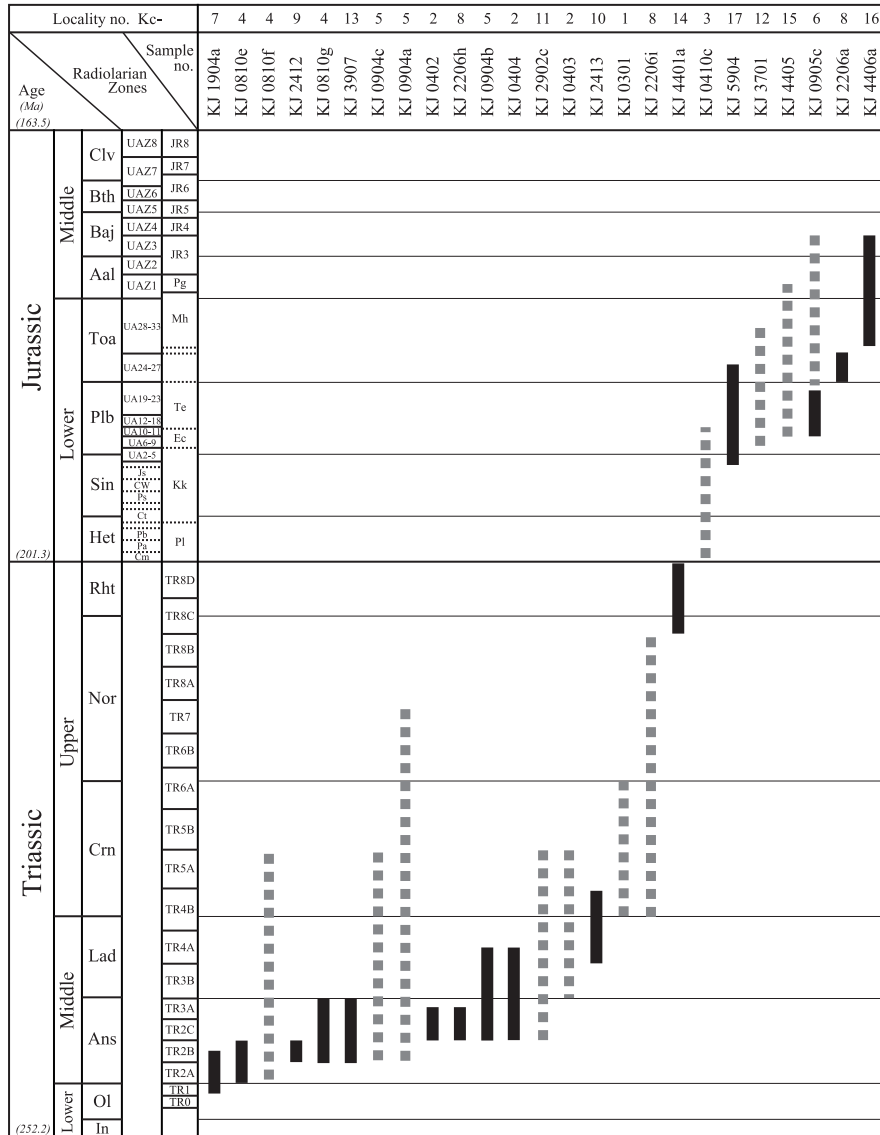


Fig. 3 Geologic age of each chert sample based on the detected radiolarians.

Radiolarian zonation schemes proposed by after-mentioned literatures are primarily adapted in this figure. These zones are arranged in ascending order: TR0 – TR8 for Triassic (Sugiyama, 1997); Pl, Kk, Ec, Te, Mh and Pg for Hettangian – lower Aalenian (Hori, 1990); Cm, Pa, Pb, Ct, Ps, CW, Js for Hettangian – Sinemurian (Carter *et al.*, 1998); UA2 – UA33 for uppermost Sinemurian – Toarcian (Carter *et al.*, 2010); JR3 – JR8 for Middle Jurassic (Matsuoka, 1995); UAZ1 – UAZ8 for Middle Jurassic (Baumgartner *et al.*, 1995b). Abbreviations are as follows. Pl: *Parahsuum aff. longiconicum*, Kk: *Katroma kurusuensis*, Ec: *Eucyrtidiellum?* sp. C, Te: *Trillus elkhornensis*, Mh: *Mesosaturnalis hexagonus*, Pg: *Parahsuum? grande*, Cm: *Canoptum merum*, Pa: *Protokatroma aquila*, Pb: *Pantanellium browni*, Ct: *Crucella hettangica*, Ps: *Parahsuum simplum*, CW: *Canutus rockfishensis* and *Wrangellium thurstonense*, Js: *Jacus? sandspitensis*, UAZ: Unitary Association Zone. Geologic time scale with ages (in Ma) is based on Gradstein *et al.* (2012).

al. (1998, 2010) for Lower Jurassic (UA1 – UA41), and by Baumgartner *et al.* (1995b) and Matsuoka (1995) for Middle Jurassic (UAZ1 – UAZ8), are primarily used. Biostratigraphic ranges of radiolarian genera fully and most-recently analyzed by O’Dogherty *et al.* (2009, 2010) are adapted to those of the radiolarian genera listed in Table 2. Furthermore, biostratigraphic ranges of the radiolarian species discussed below are partly based

on Pessagno and Blome (1980), Pessagno and Whalen (1982), Sugiyama (1992), Sashida *et al.* (1993), Nishizono (1996), Yao (1997) and Matsuoka (2004), in addition to the above literatures.

4.1. Early – Middle Triassic

Ten samples (KJ0402, KJ0404, KJ0810e, KJ0810g, KJ0904b, KJ1904a, KJ2206h, KJ2412, KJ2413, and

KJ3907) taken from eight localities yielded Late Olenekian to Early Carnian (Early to Middle Triassic) radiolarian faunas; also five samples (KJ0403, KJ0810f, KJ0904a, KJ0904c and KJ2902c) contain faunas that have a much wider span ranging from the Anisian to Carnian or Norian ages.

Age-diagnostic species are rarely included in KJ0810e and KJ1904a, their ages however can be determined as follows; **KJ1904a** is assigned to TR1 – lower part of TR2B, ranging from the late Spathian (= late Late Olenekian) to Middle Anisian (Sugiyama, 1997), based on the presence of *Pantanelium? virgeum* Sashida, and **KJ0810e** is restricted in age to be the Early to Middle Anisian based on the occurrence of *Celluronta* sp.

Although the fauna is poorly preserved, the presence of *Triassocampe* sp. aff. *T. diordinis* Bragin sensu Sugiyama suggests that **KJ2412** is assigned to the Tc assemblage of Sugiyama (1992), indicating the Middle Anisian age. The presence of *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) and *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) suggests that **KJ0810g** and **KJ3907** are not older than the Middle Anisian (Sugiyama, 1992).

Moreover, the co-occurrence of *Parasepsagon* sp. in KJ0810g and *Eptingium nakasekoi* Kozur in KJ3907 supposed to be restricted to TR2A or TR2B – TR3A (Early or Middle Anisian – Late Anisian), were respectively found. Therefore, these samples are indicative of the Middle – Late Anisian age.

KJ0402 and **KJ2206h** are assigned to TR2C – lower part of TR3A (Late Anisian) based on the co-occurrence of following species: *Eptingium nakasekoi* Kozur and Mostler, *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) and *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) in KJ0402; *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) and *Hindeosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) in KJ2206h.

The fauna found in **KJ0904b** consists of *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) and *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura). It is known that *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) had existed from T3 to lower part of T5 (Early Ladinian – Early Norian; Nishizono, 1996) or from Early Anisian to Late Ladinian (Sashida *et al.*, 1993), therefore KJ0904b is estimated to be a Late Anisian – middle Late Ladinian interval. *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) is only an age-diagnostic species included in KJ0404, indicating a Late Anisian – middle Late Ladinian interval.

The fauna detected from **KJ2413** is characterized by the presence of *Muelleritortis cochleata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) and *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura), together with *Triassocampe* sp. cf. *T. myterocorys* Sugiyama. The former two co-existed during TR4A – TR4B (Late Ladinian and early Early Carnian), consequently suggesting that this sample is assigned to a Late Ladinian – earliest Carnian interval.

4.2. Late Triassic

Scarce and poorly preserved faunas were detected from Samples KJ0301, KJ2206i and K4401a. Ages of the former two samples are impossible to be determined precisely, due to the absence of age-diagnostic species. Remaining **KJ4401a** contains *Praemesosaturnalis* sp. and *Palaeosaturnalis* sp., therefore its age is estimated to be a Late Norian – Late Rhaetian interval.

4.3. Early – Middle Jurassic

Early to Middle Jurassic radiolarian faunas were found in seven samples (KJ0410c, KJ0905c, KJ2206a, KJ3701, KJ4405, KJ4406a and KJ5904).

A specimen comparable to *Droltus hecatensis* Pessagno and Whalen, ranging in age from Hettangian to Early Pliensbachian (Pessagno and Whalen, 1982), is an age-diagnostic species in **KJ0410c**. Thus, the inferred age-range probably is a Hettangian – Early Pliensbachian interval. **KJ5904** can be assigned to a latest Sinemurian – Early Toarcian interval (UA2 – UA26), based on the range of *Lantus intermedius* Carter.

Ages of **KJ3701** and **KJ4405** cannot be precisely determined because of their poorly preserved faunas. However, Early Pliensbachian – early Late Toarcian (UA6 – UA28) and Early Pliensbachian – Early Aalenian (UA10 – UA35) intervals are probably proposed respectively for the each age of KJ3701 and KJ4405, on the basis of the presence of *Canoptum* sp. cf. *C. anulatum* Pessagno and Poisson in KJ3701, and *Parahsuum* sp. cf. *P. longiconicum* Sashida in KJ4405.

KJ0905c contains *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome, which ranges from an Early or Late Pliensbachian to Middle Bajocian interval (Pessagno and Blome, 1980; Carter *et al.*, 2010). A specimen comparable to *Hsuum mulleri* Pessagno and Whalen is also included; its range is restricted in an interval of middle Early Pliensbachian – early Late Pliensbachian (UA10- UA20). For this sample, middle Early – early Late Pliensbachian age is indicated by the co-occurrence of the two species, although the maximum age may be extended up to the Middle Bajocian.

The fauna detected from **KJ2206a** is moderately preserved and relatively diverse. The co-occurrence of *Eucyrtidiellum nagaiiae* Dumitrica, Goričan and Matsuoka and *Lantus intermedius* Carter suggests that this fauna compatible with an interval of Late Pliensbachian – Early Toarcian (UA19 – UA26). The presence of *Minocapsa globosa* Matsuoka, whose age-range is from Late Pliensbachian? – Early Toarcian (Yao, 1997; Matsuoka, 2004), is concordant with the age of the above co-occurrence. However, the range of *Napora mitrata* Pessagno, Whalen and Yeh is supposed to be restricted to the Early Toarcian age (Pessagno *et al.*, 1986), therefore the age of KJ2206a is within the Early Toarcian.

KJ4406a yielded poorly preserved fauna. On the basis of the presence of *Praeparvicungula gigantocornis* (Kishida and Hisada), together with *Praeparvicungula* sp. cf. *P. nanoconica* (Hori and Otsuka) and *Dictyomitrella?* sp. cf. *D.? kamoensis* Mizutani and Kido, an interval

between Late Toarcian and Middle Bajocian is inferred as the age of this sample.

5. Conclusion

The geological age inferred for all the twenty-six chert samples investigated in the Kanmuri Yama district, the Nanjō Mountains, spans a wide range from the Late Olenekian (Early Triassic) to Middle Bajocian (Middle Jurassic); age of one sample is still remain unknown (Fig. 3). This evidence strongly suggests that the cherts in this district records up to 80 m.y. of deposition.

6. Systematic Paleontology

Order **SPUMELLARIA** Ehrenberg 1875, *emend.* De Wever, Dumitrica, Caulet, Nigrini and Caridroit 2001
Family **Pantanelliidae** Pessagno 1977b

Genus **Pantanellium** Pessagno 1977a
Type species *Pantanellium riedeli* Pessagno 1977a

Pantanellium? virgeum Sashida 1991
(Plate 4, fig. 1)

1991 *Pantanellium? virgeum* n. sp.– Sashida, p.691-692, figs. 7.9-7.14.

1995 *Pantanellium? virgeum* Sashida – Kamata, figs. 6.6-6.7.

2010 *Pantanellium? virgeum* Sashida – Kuwahara, Sano, Ezaki and Yao, fig. 11.12.

Remarks: The illustrated specimen is characterized by a spherical shell and bipolar rod-like spines. The cortical shell, moderately-preserved, consists of large hexagonal pore frames that have rather high nodes at bars between pore frame vertices. The polar spines, longer and shorter ones, are circular in the axial section, but the proximal portion of the shorter spine is three-bladed. These diagnostic characters of this specimen are identical with those of *Pantanellium? virgeum* Sashida.

Range: Upper Olenekian – Middle Anisian (Sashida, 1991; Sugiyama, 1997).

***Pantanellium* spp.**
(Plate 8, figs. 1-2, 17-19)

Remarks: Poorly- to moderately-preserved specimens were obtained. They consist of a spherical or ellipsoidal cortical shell with bipolar spines. Massive polygonal pore frames of the shell have small nodes at the vertices in the moderately-preserved specimens.

Genus **Zartus** Pessagno and Blome 1980
Type species *Zartus jonesi* Pessagno and Blome 1980

***Zartus* sp.**
(Plate 8, fig. 9)

Remarks: A poorly-preserved specimen was obtained. It is similar to genus *Zartus* in having a spherical cortical shell with triradial bipolar spines, and having secondary

spines extended from raised median band.

Genus **Trillus** Pessagno and Blome 1980
Type species *Trillus seidersi* Pessagno and Blome 1980

Trillus elkhornensis Pessagno and Blome 1980
(Plate 3, fig. 26)

1980 *Trillus elkhornensis* n. sp. – Pessagno and Blome, p.249, pl.6, figs. 11-12, 16, 20, 25; pl.9, fig. 11.

1987 *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome – Yeh, p.37, pl.5, fig. 5.

1989 *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome – Hori and Otsuka, pl.4, fig. 15.

1990 *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome – Hori, fig. 8.30.

1992 *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome – Sashida, pl.2, figs. 21-22.

1996 *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome – Yeh and Cheng, p.98, pl.8, fig. 2.

1997 *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome – Yao, pl.3, fig. 147.

2004 *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome – Matsuoka, fig. 16.

Remarks: The examined specimen is moderately preserved, but is identical with *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome in having polygonal pore frames on the subspherical cortical shell and having triradial bipolar spines.

Range: Lower Pliensbachian – Middle Bajocian (Pessagno and Blome, 1980; Carter *et al.*, 2010).

Family **Xiphostylidae** Haeckel 1881, *sensu* Pessagno and Yang *in* Pessagno, Six and Yang 1989, *emend.* De Wever, Dumitrica, Caulet, Nigrini and Caridroit 2001

Genus **Archaeocenosphaera** Pessagno and Yang *in* Pessagno, Six and Yang 1989
Type species *Archaeocenosphaera ruesti* Pessagno and Yang *in* Pessagno, Six and Yang 1989

Archaeocenosphaera? spp.
(Plate 2, fig. 1; Plate 3, figs. 1-2, 5-6)

Remarks: The illustrated specimens are similar to genus *Archaeocenosphaera* in having a spherical shell and lacking spines. The outer lattice layer may be comprised of symmetrical polygonal pore frames, but it is not clear that two latticed layers are fused.

Family **Emiluvidae** Dumitrica 1995

Genus **Udalia** Whalen and Carter 1998
Type species *Udalia dennisoni* Whalen and Carter 1998

***Udalia* spp.**
(Plate 4, figs. 13-14)

Remarks: Overall form of the examined specimens is similar to those of genus *Udalia* in having a square spongy shell with four prominent spines, one of which is broken,

at each corner.

Family **Archaeospongoprunidae** Pessagno 1973

Genus **Protopsium** Pessagno and Poisson 1981

Type species *Protopsium ehrenbergi* Pessagno and Poisson 1981

Protopsium spp.

(Plate 6, figs. 15-16)

Remarks: Overall form of the examined specimens is similar to those of genus *Protopsium* in having a subellipsoidal spongy shell and two rod-like polar spines.

Family **Spongortilispinidae** Kozur and Mostler in Moix, Kozur, Stampfli and Mostler 2007

Genus **Spongoxystris** Sugiyama 1997

Type species *Spongoxystris hadra* Sugiyama 1997

Spongoxystris? sp.

(Plate 6, fig. 2)

Remarks: The obtained specimen is similar to genus *Spongoxystris* in having two stout spines that are aligned in the major axis of the shell. However, it differs from the latter by the fact that a shorter spine dome-shaped.

Family **Oertlispongidae** Kozur and Mostler in Dumitrică, Kozur and Mostler 1980

Genus **Oertlisponus** Dumitrică, Kozur and Mostler 1980

Type species *Oertlisponus inaequispinosus* Dumitrică, Kozur and Mostler 1980

Oertlisponus sp.

(Plate 6, fig. 21)

Remarks: The examined specimen is similar to genus *Oertlisponus* in general form and in having a subspherical shell with two long spines.

Family **Saturnalidae** Deflandre 1953, emend. Kozur and Mostler 1972

Genus **Palaeosaturnalis** Donofrio and Mostler 1978

Type species *Spongosaturnalis triassicus* Kozur and Mostler 1972

Palaeosaturnalis spp.

(Plate 1, fig. 4; Plate 7, fig. 25)

Remarks: Two broken specimens were obtained. Their forms are characterized by a narrow and simple ring with radial spines of outside. Some of polar and radial spines lack due to poor preservation. However, they resemble genus *Palaeosaturnalis* in general form.

Genus **Praemesosaturnalis** Kozur and Mostler 1981

Type species *Spongosaturnalis bifidus* Kozur and Mostler 1972

Praemesosaturnalis spp.

(Plate 7, figs. 23-24)

Remarks: These specimens are broken and composed of a wide ring and radial spines, which are short and massive, and therefore they belong to genus *Praemesosaturnalis*.

Order **ENTACTINARIA** Kozur and Mostler 1982

Family **Eptingiidae** Dumitrică 1978

Genus **Spongostephanidium** Dumitrică 1978

Type species *Spongostephanidium spongiosum* Dumitrică 1978

Spongostephanidium spp.

(Plate 5, fig. 7, Plate 6, figs. 22-24)

Remarks: Moderately- to poorly-preserved specimens were examined. They resemble genus *Spongostephanidium* in general form, although one of the three rod-like horns is broken.

Genus **Cryptostephanidium** Dumitrică 1978

Type species *Cryptostephanidium cornigerum* Dumitrică 1978

Cryptostephanidium? spp.

(Plate 1, fig. 5; Plate 2, figs. 24; Plate 5, figs. 8, 28)

Remarks: Moderately-preserved specimens were examined. They consist of a small subspherical shell and three spines. Thus, they are probably similar to genus *Cryptostephanidium* in general form.

Genus **Eptingium** Dumitrică 1978

Type species *Eptingium manfredi* Dumitrică 1978

Eptingium nakasekoi Kozur and Mostler 1994

(Plate 1, fig. 11; Plate 7, figs. 15-16)

1979 *Tripocyclia* sp. cf. *T. acythus* De Wever – Nakaseko and Nishimura, p.72-73, pl.4, fig. 2.

1994 *Eptingium nakasekoi* n. sp. – Kozur and Mostler, p.43, pl.1, fig. 5.

Remarks: Several moderately preserved specimens were examined. They consist of a cortical shell with three main spines. The shell is rounded subtriangular in lateral view, and its surface structure is characterized by large and irregular pore frames. The spines are stout and three-bladed in axial section. These features are quite similar to those of *Eptingium nakasekoi* Kozur and Mostler, although length of the spines are slightly shorter.

Range: Lower – Upper Anisian (Sugiyama, 1997).

Eptingium spp.

(Plate 2, fig. 25; Plate 5, fig.20; Plate 7, fig. 17)

Remarks: Several poorly-preserved specimens were obtained. They are characterized by a rounded subtriangular cortical shell and three main spines that are three-bladed in axial section.

***Eptingium?* spp.**

(Plate 2, fig. 18; Plate 3, fig. 9; Plate 6, fig. 25)

Remarks: The illustrated specimens are broken due to poor preservation, but they are similar to *Eptingium* in having a rounded subtriangular shell and spines.

Family **Kungalariidae** Dumitrica and Carter 1999

Genus ***Pentabelus*** Sugiyama 1992

Type species *Pentabelus furutanii* Sugiyama 1992

Remarks: Sugiyama (1992) mentioned that the family assignment of genus *Pentabelus* is uncertain, and O'Dogherty *et al.* (2009) suggested that this genus belongs in Kungalariidae. In this report, *Pentabelus* is tentatively settled in Kungalariidae.

Pentabelus* sp. cf. *P. furutanii Sugiyama 1992

(Plate 6, fig. 17)

Remarks: Shell, primitive and spherical, is composed of coarse lattice work, with apical, primary lateral and secondary lateral spines. Thus, it is similar to *Pentabelus furutanii* Sugiyama.

Family **Hindeosphaeridae** Kozur and Mostler 1981

Genus ***Pseudostylosphaera*** Kozur and Mostler 1981

Type species *Pseudostylosphaera gracilis* Kozur and Mostler 1981

Pseudostylosphaera compacta (Nakaseko and Nishimura) 1979

(Plate 2, fig. 22; Plate 3, fig. 8; Plate 5, fig. 1)

1979 *Archaeospongoprimum compactum* n. sp. – Nakaseko and Nishimura, p.68, pl.1, figs. 3, 7.

1981 *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Kozur and Mostler, p.30-31.

1990 *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Yeh, p.15, pl.4, figs. 3-4, 20.

1996 *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Nishizono, pl.3, fig. 6.

1996 *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Kozur, Krainer and Mostler, p.212, pl.6, fig. 17.

2001 *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Feng, Zhang and Ye, p.188-189, pl.5, figs. 7-12.

2011 *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Thassanapak, Feng, Grant-Mackie, Chonglakmani and Thanee, p.194, figs. 6O, 6Q.

Remarks: The illustrated specimens are not well preserved, but differ from *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) by having longer and slender polar spines. Then, they are identified with *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura).

Range: Middle Anisian – Ladinian (Tumanda, 1991; Sugiyama, 1992).

Pseudostylosphaera helicata (Nakaseko and Nishimura)

1979

(Plate 3, fig. 7)

1979 *Archaeospongoprimum helicatum* n. sp. – Nakaseko and Nishimura, p.68, pl.2, figs. 1-2; pl.12, fig. 3.

1981 *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Kozur and Mostler, p.30-31.

1992 *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Otsuka, Kajima and Hori, p.32, pl.3, figs. 3-4.

1992 *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Yeh, p.61, pl.7, fig. 1.

1993 *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Sashida, Nishimura, Igo, Kazama and Kamata, p.90, fig. 7.11.

1996 *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Nishizono, p.90, pl.3, fig. 7.

Remarks: The illustrated specimen possesses a subspherical shell and two opposite polar spines. The spines are slightly shorter than those of the type species, but are twisted in their distal part.

Range: Ladinian – Carnian or earliest Norian (Nishizono, 1996).

Pseudostylosphaera japonica (Nakaseko and Nishimura) 1979

(Plate 1, figs. 8-9; Plate 6, fig. 1; Plate 7, figs. 8-12)

1979 *Archaeospongoprimum japonicum* n. sp. – Nakaseko and Nishimura, p.67-68, pl.1, figs. 2, 4, 9.

1981 *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Kozur and Mostler, p.30-31.

1990 *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Yeh, p.15, pl.4, figs. 5-7.

1993 *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Sashida, Nishimura, Igo, Kazama and Kamata, p.89-90, figs. 7.9, 7.15

1996 *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Nishizono, pl.3, fig. 9.

1996 *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Kozur, Krainer and Mostler, p.212, pl.6, fig. 15.

1997 *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Sugiyama, p.186, fig. 48.15.

2001 *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Feng, Zhang and Ye, p.188, pl.5, figs. 1-6.

2011 *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Thassanapak, Feng, Grant-Mackie, Chonglakmani and Thanee, p.195, figs. 6P, 6S.

Remarks: The illustrated specimens are characterized by a globular shell with two polar spines. The spines are moderately long, massive and three-bladed in axial section. Their width slightly increase toward a distal direction and decrease near the terminus. Surface of the shell is rough and its spongy meshwork is indistinct due to poor preservation.

Range: Middle Anisian – Lower Carnian (Sugiyama, 1997).

Pseudostylosphaera* sp. aff. *P. tenuis (Nakaseko and Nishimura) 1979
(Plate 3, fig. 19)

Remarks: The examined specimen is similar to *Pseudostylosphaera tenuis* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) in having a spherical shell and two polar spines that are unequal in length. However, length of the longer spine of the examined specimen is shorter than that of the type species (Nakaseko and Nishimura, 1979).

***Pseudostylosphaera* spp.**

(Plate 2, figs. 11-17; Plate 5, figs. 2-3, 23-24; Plate 6, fig. 14)

Remarks: The examined specimens seem to belong to genus *Pseudostylosphaera* on the basis of a subspherical shell with spongy meshwork and two polar spines although some of the specimens lack polar spines.

***Pseudostylosphaera?* spp.**

(Plate 1, figs. 10, 19; Plate 2, figs. 3-4; Plate 4, figs. 7, 12; Plate 5, figs. 17-18, 25-27)

Remarks: One of two polar spines of the examined specimens is lack or broken due to poor preservation. Therefore, it is questionable that they belong to genus *Pseudostylosphaera*.

Genus ***Parasepsagon*** Dumitrică, Kozur and Mostler 1980
Type species *Parasepsagon tetracanthus* Dumitrică, Kozur and Mostler 1980

***Parasepsagon* sp.**

(Plate 2, fig. 26)

Remarks: The examined specimen is not well preserved. It has a subspherical shell and four spines, one of which is broken. Outer shell consists of triangular meshes with small nodes at vertices. The spines are three-bladed and slightly twisted in distal part. This appearance is identical with genus *Parasepsagon*.

Genus ***Hindeosphaera*** Kozur and Mostler 1979

Type species *Hindeosphaera foremanae* Kozur and Mostler 1979

Hindeosphaera spinulosa (Nakaseko and Nishimura) 1979

(Plate 5, figs. 4-6)

1979 *Archaeospongoprimum spinulosum* n. sp. – Nakaseko and Nishimura, p.69, pl.2, figs. 3-4, 6.

1989 *Pseudostylosphaera* sp. cf. *P. spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Cheng, p.143, pl.6, fig. 2; pl.7, figs. 8-9.

1989 *Hindeosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Martini, De Wever, Zaninetti, Denelian and Kito, p.150, pl.3, fig. 8.

1990 *Pseudostylosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Yeh, p.15, pl.4, fig. 14.

1993 *Pseudostylosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Sashida, Nishimura, Igo, Kazama and

Kamata, p.92, figs. 7.16-7.17.

1995 *Hindeosphaera? spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Ramovš and Goričan, p.185, pl.3, figs. 6-8.

1996 *Pseudostylosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Nishizono, pl.3, figs. 10-12.

1996 *Hindeosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Kozur, Krainer and Mostler, p.210, pl.4, figs. 4, 8.

2001 *Hindeosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Feng, Zhang and Ye, p.190, pl.5, figs. 15, 21.

2011 *Hindeosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Thassanapak, Feng, Grant-Mackie, Chonglakmani and Thanee, p.194, fig. 6K.

Remarks: The illustrated specimens possess an ellipsoidal shell and two polar spines. One spine is broad and three-bladed, and is considerably larger than the opposite spine.
Range: Lower – Upper Anisian (Sugiyama, 1997).

***Hindeosphaera* sp.**

(Plate 7, fig. 14)

Remarks: This specimen consists of a spherical shell with spongy meshwork and spikes. One massive and stout spike, which is not spirally rotated as in other species of genus *Hindeosphaera*, is quite longer than the others.

Family **Muelleritortidae** Kozur 1988

Genus ***Muelleritortis*** Kozur 1988

Type species *Emiluvia? cochleata* Nakaseko and Nishimura 1979

Muelleritortis cochleata (Nakaseko and Nishimura) 1979
(Plate 6, figs. 3-10)

1979 *Emiluvia? cochleata* n. sp. – Nakaseko and Nishimura, p.70, pl.3, figs. 2-4, 6.

1979 *Staurocontium minoense* n. sp. – Nakaseko and Nishimura, p.71, pl.2, figs. 7, 9-10; pl.12, fig. 4.

1988 *Muelleritortis cochleata cochleata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Kozur, p.53, pl.1, figs. 1-8; pl.2, figs. 1-2; pl.3, fig. 1.

1993 *Emiluvia? cochleata* Nakaseko and Nishimura – Sashida, Nishimura, Igo, Kazama and Kamata, p.93, figs. 8.5-8.6, 8.8, 8.15-8.16.

1996 *Plafkerium cochleatum* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Nishizono, pl.3, figs. 20-21.

Remarks: The examined specimens are grouped into two types; one has four main spines, and the other has two spines. Based on Kozur and Mostler (1996), the latter type is included into genus *Ditortis*, but it is not clear whether two of four spines were lacked or not. These examined specimens consist of a spherical to subellipsoidal shell and four or two main spines. The outer shell structures are indistinct due to poor preservation, but polygonal pore frames are observed in the case of moderately-preserved specimen. One of the main spines straightly extends, whereas the remaining three or one spines are strongly

twisted. These characters are identical with those of *Muelleritortis cochleata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura).
Range: Upper Ladinian – lowest Carnian (Sugiyama, 1997).

ENTACTINARIA *Incertae sedis*

Genus *Monostylosphaera* Xu 1992
Type species *Monostylosphaera sinensis* Xu 1992

Monostylosphaera? spp.

(Plate 4, figs. 11; Plate 7, fig. 13)

Remarks: The illustrated specimens are similar to genus *Monostylosphaera* in having a spherical shell with one polar spine, but it is unclear that the spine is three-bladed in the axial section, due to poor preservation.

Order NASSELLARIA Ehrenberg 1875

Family Ultranaporidae Pessagno 1977b

Genus *Tirodella* Kozur and Mostler 1981
Type species *Tirodella goestlingensis* Kozur and Mostler 1981

Tirodella? sp.

(Plate 2, fig. 7)

Remarks: This poorly-preserved specimen lacks its apical horn, but resembles genus *Tirodella* in having thin thoracic feet that connect to strong ribs on the wall of the very large thorax. However, other diagnostic features of this specimen are unclear, due to poor preservation.

Genus *Bipedis* De Wever 1982

Type species *Bipedis calvabovis* De Wever 1982

Bipedis sp.

(Plate 5, fig. 21)

Remarks: The examined specimen is similar to genus *Bipedis* in having a two-segmented small test with strong apical horn and two feet, one of which is lost.

Genus *Napora* Pessagno 1977a, *emend.* Pessagno, Whalen and Yeh 1986

Type species *Napora bukryi* Pessagno 1977a

Napora mitrata Pessagno, Whalen and Yeh 1986

(Plate 4, fig. 16)

1986 *Napora mitrata* n. sp. – Pessagno, Whalen and Yeh, p.42-43, pl.5, figs. 8, 15; pl.11, figs. 11-12.

1987 *Napora mitrata* Pessagno, Whalen and Yeh – Yeh, pl.13, figs. 6, 11.

Remarks: The figured specimen consists of a two-segmented test, cephalis and thorax, with an apical horn and three feet, two of which are lost. Cephalis is small and imperforate. The apical horn is bladed in axial section with three ridges alternating with three grooves. It terminates with moderately long subsidiary spines. Thorax

is hemispherical in outline and is composed of pentagonal and hexagonal pore frames. The remaining foot occurs at the base of thorax and is triradiate in axial section with alternating three ridges and grooves.

Range: Lower Toarcian (Pessagno, Whalen and Yeh 1986)

Napora sp.

(Plate 4, fig. 17)

Remarks: A strongly broken specimen was obtained and is composed of cephalis and thorax with a three-bladed apical horn. It seems to belong to genus *Napora* on the basis of the above morphological features.

Family Delfandrecyrtiidae Kozur and Mostler 1979

Genus *Haeckelicyrtium* Kozur and Mostler 1979, *emend.* Carter 1993

Type species *Haeckelicyrtium austriacum* Kozur and Mostler 1979

Haeckelicyrtium? spp.

(Plate 1, figs. 1-3)

Remarks: Genus *Haeckelicyrtium* consists of hot-shaped shell with three segments and skirt (Kozur and Mostler, 1979). Preservation of the detected specimens is extremely poor; they are a fragment of the skirt which has subcircular or subhexagonal pores. Therefore, it is doubtful that these specimens belong to genus *Haeckelicyrtium*.

Family Acropyramididae Haeckel 1881

Genus *Celluronta* Sugiyama 1997

Type species *Celluronta donax* Sugiyama 1997

Celluronta sp.

(Plate 2, fig. 8)

Remarks: The illustrated specimen possesses a long test probably consisting of more than seven segments. Pores on the lower part of the test are large in size and subcircular in shape. These characters are identical with those of genus *Celluronta*.

Family Ruesticyrtiidae Kozur and Mostler 1979

Genus *Paratriassocampe* Kozur and Mostler 1994

Type species *Paratriassocampe gaetanii* Kozur and Mostler 1994

Paratriassocampe sp.

(Plate 5, fig. 15)

Remarks: Genus *Paratriassocampe* is similar to genus *Triassocampe* in general shape of their test, but the former differs from the latter by having two rings of pores on the well-developed circumferential ridges. The illustrated specimen is characterized by the above two rings of pores.

Genus *Triassocampe* Dumitrică, Kozur and Mostler 1980
Type species *Triassocampe scalaris* Dumitrică, Kozur and

Mostler 1980

Triassocampe deweveri (Nakaseko and Nishimura) 1979
(Plate 1, figs. 14, 22; Plate 3, fig. 12; Plate 5, figs. 9-12)

1979 *Dictyomitrella deweveri* n. sp. – Nakaseko and Nishimura, p.77, pl.10, figs. 8-9.

1982 *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Yao, pl.1, figs. 1-3.

1989 *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Cheng, p.148, pl.6, figs. 13-14; pl.7, figs. 10-11.

1990 *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Yeh, p.28-29, pl.7, figs. 7, 18, 20; pl.11, figs. 2-3, 7-8, 13-14.

1993 *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Sashida, Nishimura, Igo, Kazama and Kamata, p.86, figs. 5.3-5.7.

2001 *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Feng, Zhang and Ye, p.182, pl.3, figs. 1-6.

2011 *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) – Thassanapak, Feng, Grant-Mackie, Chonglakmani and Thanee, p.198, figs. 8I, 8J, 8L.

Remarks: The examined specimens are characterized by dome-shaped cephalis without an apical horn and by well-developed circumferential ridges. One row of small knobs and two or three rows of circular pores are arranged respectively on and below each circumferential ridge. These specimens are identical with the type specimen reported by Nakaseko and Nishimura (1979).

Range: Upper Anisian – middle Upper Ladinian (Sugiyama, 1997).

Triassocampe* sp. cf. *T. myterocorys Sugiyama 1992

(Plate 1, fig. 20; Plate 6, fig. 11)

Remarks: The main character of the examined specimens is two rows of large pores that are aligned below a strong circumferential ridge on each post-abdominal segment. However, it differs from *Triassocampe myterocorys* Sugiyama by having a conical test.

Triassocampe* sp. aff. *T. diordinis Bragin 1991 sensu Sugiyama 1992

(Plate 5, fig. 37)

1992 *Triassocampe* sp. aff. *T. diordinis* Bragin 1991 – Sugiyama, p.1199, figs. 11.7-11.8.

Remarks: The examined specimen is quite poorly-preserved. But it is similar to *Triassocampe* sp. aff. *T. diordinis* Bragin described by Sugiyama (1992) in having a single row of pores, which are indistinct, just beneath the poorly developed circumferential ridges.

Range: Middle Anisian (Sugiyama, 1992).

***Triassocampe* spp.**

(Plate 1, figs. 15-18, 23; Plate 2, figs. 28-30; Plate 3, figs. 3, 13-16; Plate 5, figs. 13-14, 16, 31-36; Plate 6, figs. 12-13; Plate 7, figs. 18-20)

Remarks: Preservation of most specimens obtained is so poor that diagnostic features characterizing genus *Triassocampe* are not identified. However, they consist of a

long and slightly conical to subcylindrical multisegmented shell without an apical horn. This appearance is similar to that of *Triassocampe*.

Family **Eucyrtidiellidae** Takemura 1986

Genus ***Eucyrtidiellum*** Baumgartner 1984

Type species *Eucyrtidium? unumaensis* Yao 1979

Eucyrtidiellum nagaiae Dumitrica, Goričan and Matsuoka in Goričan, Carter, Dumitrică, Whalen, Hori, De Wever, O'Dogherty, Matsuoka and Guex 2006

(Plate 4, figs. 18-19)

1986 *Eucyrtidiellum* sp. C group – Nagai, p.12, pl.2, figs. 11-12.

1987 *Eucyrtidiellum* sp. C₂ – Hattori, pl.12, fig. 12.

1990 *Eucyrtidiellum* sp. C₂ – Nagai, pl.4, figs. 1a-1c.

1995 *Eucyrtidiellum* sp. C₂ – Nagai, p.12, pl.4, figs. 7-8.

2004 *Eucyrtidiellum* – Matsuoka, fig. 2-8.179.

2006 *Eucyrtidiellum nagaiae* Dumitrica, Goričan and Matsuoka n. sp. – Goričan, Carter, Dumitrică, Whalen, Hori, De Wever, O'Dogherty, Matsuoka and Guex, p.158, pl.EUC06.

Remarks: The figured specimens are composed of three segments and characterized by a stout apical horn and strong longitudinal costae on their abdominal surfaces. Cephalis is imperforate and is incorporated into the apical horn. Thorax is perforated with polygonal pore frames. Abdomen is inflated and porous, and is ornamented with the continuous vertical costae.

Range: Upper Pliensbachian – Upper Toarcian (Carter *et al.*, 2010).

Family **Bagotidae** Pessagno and Whalen 1982

Genus ***Droltus*** Pessagno and Whalen 1982

Type species *Droltus lyellensis* Pessagno and Whalen 1982

Droltus* sp. cf. *D. hecatensis Pessagno and Whalen 1982
(Plate 1, fig. 30)

Remarks: The examined specimen is poorly-preserved, but is similar to *Droltus hecatensis* Pessagno and Whalen in having a conical test and in the state of pore frames. Pore frames of the upper portion of the test including abdomen and first several post-abdominal segments are irregular in size and shape; tetragonal pore frames of the lower portion are more uniform in size and aligned in longitudinal rows.

Family **Hsuidae** Pessagno and Whalen 1982

Genus ***Parahsuum*** Yao 1982

Type species *Parahsuum simplum* Yao 1982

Parahsuum simplum Yao 1982

(Plate 4, figs. 24-26)

1982 *Parahsuum simplum* n. sp. – Yao, p.61, pl.4, figs.

1-8.

1990 *Parahsuum simplum* Yao – Kozur and Mostler, p.222, pl.17, fig. 2.

1991 *Parahsuum simplum* Yao – Tumanda, pl.7, fig. 20; pl.8, fig. 5.

1994 *Parahsuum simplum* Yao – Goričan, p.79, pl.17, figs. 9-10, 12.

1998 *Parahsuum simplum* Yao – Whalen and Carter, p.67, pl.16, fig. 6.

1998 *Parahsuum simplum* Yao – Yeh and Cheng, p.26, pl.4, fig. 14.

2002 *Parahsuum simplum* Yao – Whalen and Carter, p.126, pl.12, figs. 3-4, 12-13; pl.17, figs. 14-15.

2002 *Parahsuum simplum* Yao – Tekin, p.189, pl.4, fig. 3.

2004 *Parahsuum simplum* Yao – Ishida, Shimakawa, Kozai, and Yao, pl.5, figs. 1-2.

Remarks: Considerable variation in overall form and size has been recognized in *Parahsuum simplum* Yao (Hori and Yao, 1988). The illustrated specimens, lacking an apical horn, are short in length rather than the type species, but resemble *Parahsuum simplum* Yao in having an elongate conical shell with six or more segments, and also having continuous costae.

Range: Hettangian – Lower Aalenian (Hori, 1990; Carter *et al.*, 2010).

***Parahsuum ovale* Hori and Yao 1988**

(Plate 4, figs. 27-28)

1982 *Parahsuum* sp. C – Yao, pl.4, figs. 9-11.

1988 *Parahsuum ovale* n. sp. – Hori and Yao, p.51, pl.1, figs. 3a-3e.

1988 *Parahsuum takarazawaense* n. sp. – Sashida, p.19, pl.1, figs. 6-13, 18-19.

1990 *Parahsuum ovale* Hori and Yao – Hori, fig. 8.16.

1994 *Parahsuum ovale* Hori and Yao – Goričan, p.79, pl.17, fig. 13.

2010 *Parahsuum ovale* Hori and Yao – Uchino and Hori, figs. 5.3-5.4.

Remarks: The examined specimens are characterized by an oval-shaped shell. Cephalis is slightly flattened conical in shape without an apical horn. Based on these characters, they are identical with *Parahsuum ovale* Hori and Yao.

Range: Sinemurian – Upper Toarcian (Hori 1990).

***Parahsuum izeense* (Pessagno and Whalen) 1982**

(Plate 4, fig. 30)

1982 *Canutus izeensis* n.sp. – Pessagno and Whalen, p.129, pl.6, figs. 8, 10, 15.

1982 *Canutus giganteus* n.sp. – Pessagno and Whalen, p.127, pl.4, figs. 5, 13.

1995a *Parahsuum izeense* (Pessagno and Whalen) – Baumgartner *et al.*, p.378, pl.2012, figs. 1-2.

2003 *Parahsuum izeense* (Pessagno and Whalen) – Goričan, Šmuc and Baumgartner, p.296, pl.5, figs. 18-19.

Remarks: Shell of each specimen obtained is short and inflated conical in shape. The last two segments slightly

decrease in width. Based on these characters, it is identical with *Parahsuum izeense* (Pessagno and Whalen).

Range: Lower Pliensbachian – Bajocian (Carter *et al.*, 2010).

***Parahsuum longiconicum* Sashida 1988**

(Plate 4, fig. 31-33)

1988 *Parahsuum longiconicum* n. sp. – Sashida, p.20, pl.2, figs. 1-4, 16-17.

1996 *Parahsuum longiconicum* Sashida – Tumanda, Sashida and Igo, p.178, fig. 4.2.

2003 *Parahsuum longiconicum* Sashida – Goričan, Šmuc, and Baumgartner, p.296, pl.V, fig. 16.

2004 *Parahsuum longiconicum* Sashida – Ishida, Shimakawa, Kozai and Yao, figs. 5.3-5.4.

Remarks: The illustrated specimens are characterized by a conical test that consists of eight to ten segments, and by a massive conical horn on the cephalis with wide and deep grooves at the base of the horn. Longitudinal continuous edged costae and weak circumferential ridges are visible on the outer layer of these specimens. Based on the above, they are identical with *Parahsuum longiconicum* Sashida.

Range: Lower Pliensbachian – Lower Aalenian (Carter *et al.*, 2010).

***Parahsuum* sp. cf. *P. longiconicum* Sashida 1988**

(Plate 8, fig. 3)

Remarks: The examined specimen is similar to *Parahsuum longiconicum* Sashida in general shell shape. However, the apical horn is broken and the grooves at the base of the horn are not visible.

***Parahsuum* spp.**

(Plate 3, fig. 29-31; Plate 4, figs. 29, 34; Plate 7, figs. 2-4; Plate 8, figs. 20-27)

Remarks: As originally described by Yao (1982), conical to spindle-shaped multisegmented Nassellaria lacking well-developed strictures and having continuous edged costae is included into species of genus *Parahsuum*. A wide range in variation of the examined specimens is recognized.

***Parahsuum?* sp. A**

(Plate 8, fig. 28)

1997 *Parahsuum* sp. A – Yao, pl.14, fig. 658.

2004 *Archaeodictyomitra?* sp. – Hori, pl.1, fig. 55.

Description: Test is elongate and conical with probably six post-abdominal segments, lacking well-developed strictures. Pore frames of post-abdominal segments are square in shape with circular pores. Cephalis, without a horn, is dome-shaped and remaining segments are trapezoidal in outline, increasing moderately in width and more rapidly in length as added. Thin circumferential ridges present at joints between post-abdominal segments. Pore frames on post-abdominal segments are aligned in a transverse and vertical directions; three or four rows of pore frames are transversally arranged between the ridges, and single row of pore frames is longitudinally arranged

between the costae. Costae are not continuous, due to development of the ridges.

Remarks: *Parahsuum?* sp. A is questionably assigned to genus *Parahsuum*, because it is different from the latter by having thin circumferential ridges although it has single row of pore frames that is arranged between costae. This species resembles *Parahsuum* sp. A of Yao (1997) and *Archaeodictyomitra?* sp. of Hori (2004) in having the same diagnostic features.

Genus *Hsuum* Pessagno 1977a, *emend.* Takemura 1986
Type species *Hsuum cuestaense* Pessagno 1977a

Hsuum* sp. cf. *H. mulleri Pessagno and Whalen 1982
(Plate 3, fig. 32)

Remarks: The illustrated specimen has an elongate conical test with discontinuous costae. The costae which indicate few branches laterally and are developed over the abdomen and post-abdominal segments. This appearance is similar to that of *Hsuum mulleri* Pessagno and Whalen, but an apical horn is not developed in this specimen.

***Hsuum* sp.** sensu Matsuoka 2004
(Plate 4, fig. 23)

2004 *Hsuum* sp. – Matsuoka, p.77, fig. 2-9.224.

Remarks: Test of the examined specimen is elongated conical in shape and much wider than other species of genus *Hsuum*. Relatively thin costae developed over the test are continuous, and are inserted between rows of pore frames.

Range: Toarcian (Matsuoka, 2004).

***Hsuum?* sp.**
(Plate 7, fig. 6)

Remarks: Test of the examined specimen is an inflated conical in shape with probably five segments. These segments are separated by strictures and rapidly increase in width. Cephalis is dome-shaped without an apical horn. The test is composed of polygonal pore frames with circular pores and with continuous costae. The costae extend throughout the test. Two rows of pores are arranged between two adjacent costae. This specimen is questionably assigned to genus *Hsuum*, due to strictures between segments.

Family **Canoptidae** Pessagno in Pessagno, Finch and Abbott 1979, *emend.* Yeh 1987

Genus **Canoptum** Pessagno in Pessagno, Finch and Abbott 1979

Type species *Canoptum poissoni* Pessagno in Pessagno, Finch and Abbott 1979

Canoptum* sp. cf. *C. anulatum Pessagno and Poisson 1981
(Plate 7, fig. 7)

Remarks: As originally described by Pessagno and Poisson (1981), *Canoptum anulatum* has a slender and

more elongate test with closely spaced post-abdominal segments; post-abdominal segments are eleven to fifteen in number with short and discontinuous costae. These costae are visible on each circumferential ridge. The obtained specimen is poorly-preserved, but it is similar to *Canoptum anulatum* Pessagno and Poisson in slender and elongate outer form. Discontinuous costae are slightly recognized.

Canoptum* sp. cf. *C. rugosum Pessagno and Poisson 1981
(Plate 4, fig. 35)

Remarks: *Canoptum rugosum* Pessagno and Poisson is characterized by having a short and broad test that is ornamented by circumferential ridges between post-abdominal segments, and also having post-abdominal segments with a rugose surface. Nevertheless, the rugose surface is indistinct in the examined specimen, because of its poor preservation.

Genus **Multimonilis** Yeh 1989

Type species *Multimonilis pulcher* Yeh 1989

***Multimonilis* sp.**
(Plate 1, fig. 21)

Remarks: The examined specimen is similar to genus *Multimonilis* in overall form that consists of a conical and multicystid test. Especially, this specimen possesses narrow elevated circumferential ridges that modified by well-developed nodes. According to Yeh (1989), this is a characteristic feature of genus *Multimonilis*.

Family **Parvicingulidae** Pessagno 1977a, *emend.* Pessagno and Whalen 1982

Genus **Praeparvicingula** Pessagno, Blome and Hull in Pessagno, Blome, Hull and Six 1993

Type species *Parvicingula profunda* Pessagno and Whalen 1982

Praeparvicingula gigantocornis (Kishida and Hisada) 1985

(Plate 8, fig. 13)

1982 *Parvicingula* sp. A – Kishida and Sugano, pl.7, fig. 8.

1985 *Parvicingula gigantocornis* n. sp. – Kishida and Hisada, p.118, pl.4, figs. 1-5.

1988 *Parvicingula gigantocornis* Kishida and Hisada – Sashida, p.22, pl.2, figs. 5, 10-12, 20-21; pl.3, figs. 4-5.

2001 *Praeparvicingula gigantocornis* (Kishida and Hisada) – Kashiwagi, fig. 6.6.

2004 *Parvicingula gigantocornis* Kishida and Hisada – Ishida, Shimakawa, Kozai and Yao, pl.5, fig. 14.

Remarks: The illustrated specimen is characterized by a slightly slender conical test with a long massive apical horn. Moreover, Each circumferential ridge is widely spaced and separated by three rows of small pores; center row of pores is poorly developed. Based on these features,

it is identical with *Praeparvicingula gigantocornis* (Kishida and Hisada).

Range: Upper Toarcian – Bajocian (Carter *et al.*, 2010).

Praeparvicingula* sp. cf. *P. nanoconica (Hori and Otsuka) 1989

(Plate 8, fig. 12)

Remarks: The illustrated specimen is similar to *Praeparvicingula nanoconica* (Hori and Otsuka) in general shape and especially having a long apical horn. However, it is not clear that this specimen is identical with *Praeparvicingula nanoconica* (Hori and Otsuka), because of its poorly preservation.

***Praeparvicingula* spp.**

(Plate 8, figs. 4-7, 14-15)

Remarks: The illustrated specimens are moderately- to poorly-preserved. They are characterized by a conical- to subcylindrical-shaped test. Their final post-abdominal segments lack narrow terminal tube.

Genus ***Parvicingula*** Pessagno 1977a, *emend.* Pessagno, Blome, Hull and Six 1993

Type species *Parvicingula santabarbarensisa* Pessagno 1977a

***Parvicingula* sp.**

(Plate 8, fig. 16)

Remarks: The poorly-preserved specimen was obtained. It is characterized by a spindle-shaped test and final post-abdominal segment terminates in a narrow tube.

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Genus ***Lantus*** Yeh 1987

Type species *Lantus sixi* Yeh 1987

Lantus obesus (Yeh) 1987

(Plate 4, fig. 21)

1987 *Pseudoristola obesa* n. sp. – Yeh, p.96-97, pl. 14, figs. 11-12.

1997 *Pseudoristola obesa* Yeh – Yao, pl. 15, fig. 724.

2001 *Stichocapsa obesa* (Yeh) – Gawlick, Suzuki and Missoni, fig. 5.6.

2006 *Lantus obesus* (Yeh) – Goričan, Carter, Dumitrică, Whalen, Hori, De Wever, O'Dogherty, Matsuoka and Guex, p.234, pl. LAN01, figs. 1-10.

2010 *Lantus obesus* (Yeh) – Uchino and Hori, figs. 5.16-5.17.

Remarks: Moderately preserved specimen was obtained. Its test is conical with a large bulbous expansion, and without circumferential ridges. It is not clear that cephalis is perforate, but thorax, abdomen and post-abdominal segments are perforate; post-abdominal segments consist of pentagonal or hexagonal pore frames.

Range: Uppermost Simenurian – Upper Toarcian (Carter *et al.*, 2010).

Lantus intermedius Carter in Goričan, Carter, Dumitrică, Whalen, Hori, De Wever, O'Dogherty, Matsuoka and Guex 2006

(Plate 4, fig. 22; Plate 8, fig. 29)

1988 *Hemicryptocephalis dengqensis* n. sp. – Li, p.327, p.330, pl. 1, figs. 5-6.

1997 *Parahsuum* sp. NB – Yao, pl. 13, fig. 642.

2006 *Lantus intermedius* n. sp. – Goričan, Carter, Dumitrică, Whalen, Hori, De Wever, O'Dogherty, Matsuoka and Guex, p.232, pl. LAN05, figs. 1-7.

Remarks: The obtained specimens are identical with *Lantus intermedius* Carter on the basis of general shape of their conical tests. Post-abdominal segments increase in width as added, and the final segment is closed with an ellipsoidal cap. These specimens possess weakly circumferential ridges, which are recognized between segments.

Range: Uppermost Simenurian – Lower Toarcian (Carter *et al.*, 2010).

***Lantus?* sp.**

(Plate 3, fig. 33)

Remarks: Because of extremely poor preservation, the examined specimen questionably belongs to genus *Lantus*.

Genus ***Dictyomitrella*** Haeckel 1887

Type species *Eucyrtidium articulatum* Ehrenberg 1873

***Dictyomitrella?* sp. cf. *D.?* kamoensis** Mizutani and Kido 1983

(Plate 8, fig. 11)

Remarks: Poorly-preserved specimen was obtained. It consists of a test that is conical at the upper portion and subcylindrical at the lower portion. Post-abdominal segments are separated by nodose circumferential ridges; each one row of pores are faintly observed below and above the ridges, but tetragonally-arranged two rows of circular pits are indistinct on the abdomen and post-abdominal segments. This specimen is similar to *Dictyomitrella?* *kamoensis* Mizutani and Kido in possessing each one row of pores below and above the nodose circumferential ridges, but is different by the absence of two rows of circular pits.

Genus ***Minocapsa*** Matsuoka 1991

Type species *Minocapsa cylindrica* Matsuoka 1991

Minocapsa globosa Matsuoka 1991

(Plate 4, fig. 20)

1991 *Minocapsa globosa* n. sp. – Matsuoka, p.736, figs. 11.1a-11.4b.

1997 *Minocapsa globosa* Matsuoka – Yao, pl.10, fig. 451.

2004 *Minocapsa globosa* Matsuoka – Matsuoka, fig. 90.

Remarks: The obtained specimen has a pyriform test consisting of four segments; proximal part including cephalis, thorax and abdomen is conical, and distal part composed of fourth segment is large and subspherical

without aperture. Circular pores are set in pentagonal to hexagonal pore frames and arranged irregularly rather than longitudinally. This specimen is slightly slender; change in contour from the conical proximal part to subspherical distal part is not rapid than the type species of *Minocapsa globosa* Matsuoka.

Range: Upper Pliensbachian? – Lower Toarcian (Yao, 1997; Matsuoka, 2004).

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Plate 1 SEM images of Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from the Kanmuri Yama district.

KJ0301 (Locality Kc-1: Tarumi-gawa)

1-3: *Haeckelicyrtium?* sp. (1: GSJ F18132-002, 2: -003, 3: -001)

4: *Palaeosaturnalis* sp. (GSJ F18132-005)

5: *Cryptostephanidium?* sp. (GSJ F18132-004)

KJ0402 (Locality Kc-2: Northeast of Masudani)

6-7: *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (6: GSJ F18136-013, 7: -014)

8-9: *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (8: GSJ F18136-011, 9: -010)

10: *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp. (GSJ F18136-012)

11: *Eptingium nakasekoi* Kozur and Mostler (GSJ F18136-009)

12-13: *Poulpidae* gen. et sp. indet. (12: GSJ F18136-006, 13: -008)

14: *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18136-003)

15-18: *Triassocampe* sp. (15: GSJ F18136-002, 16: -001, 17: -004, 18: -005)

KJ0403 (Locality Kc-2: Northeast of Masudani)

19: *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp. (GSJ F18137-003)

20: *Triassocampe* sp. cf. *T. myterocorys* Sugiyama (GSJ F18137-002)

21: *Multimonilis* sp. (GSJ F18137-01)

KJ0404 (Locality Kc-2: Northeast of Masudani)

22: *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18138-008)

23: *Triassocampe* sp. (GSJ F18138-001)

24-28: *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (24: F18138-002, 25: -003, 26: -004, 27: -005, 28: -007)

KJ0410c (Locality Kc-3: East of Masudani)

29: *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18139-003)

30: *Droltus* sp. cf. *D. hecatensis* Pessagno and Whalen (GSJ F18139-001)

31: *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18139-002)

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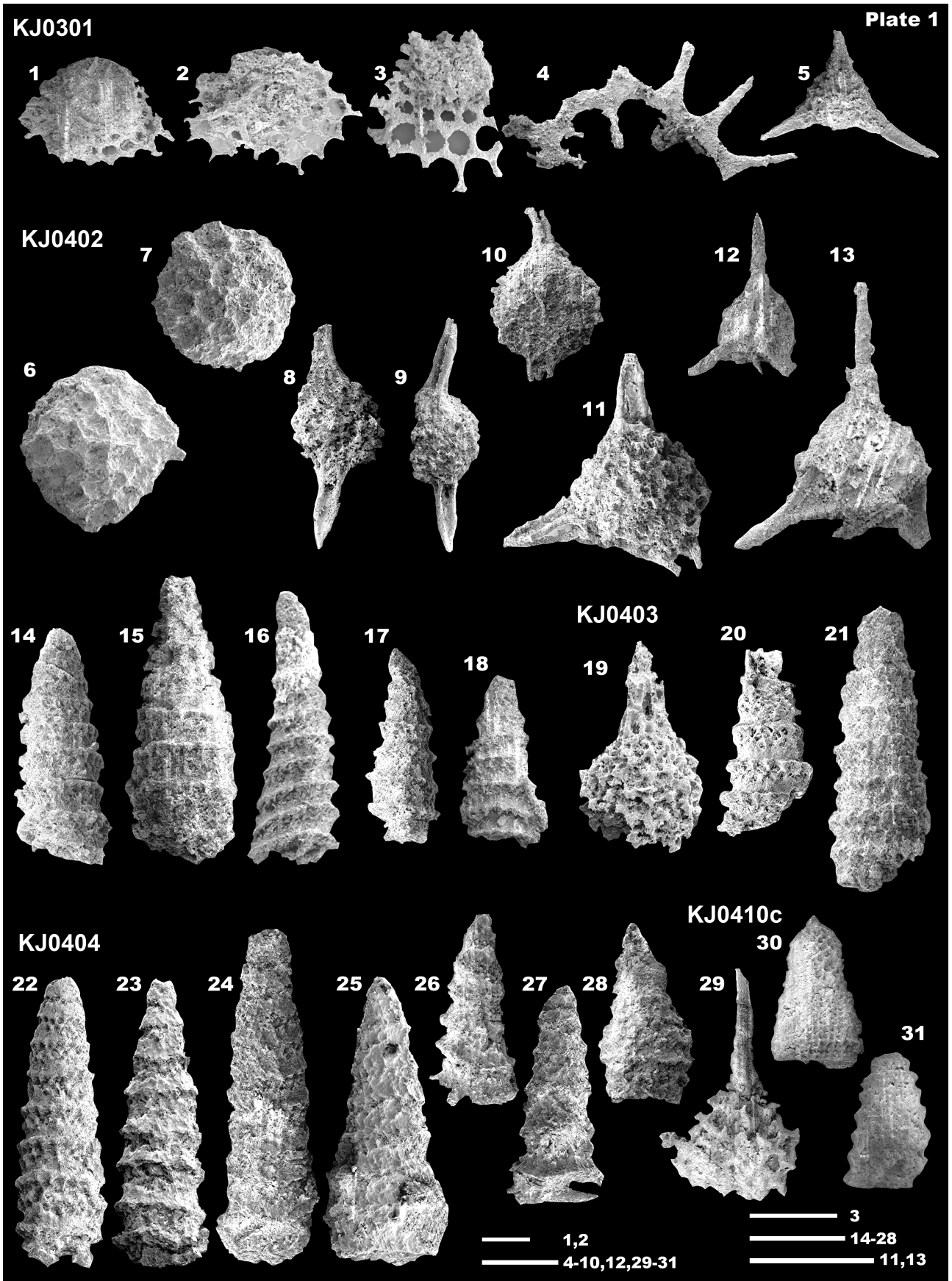


Plate 2 SEM images of Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from the Kanmuri Yama district.

KJ0810e (Locality Kc-4: Masudani)

- 1: *Archaeocenosphaera?* sp. (GSJ F18141-008)
- 2: Spumellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18141-009)
- 3-4: *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp. (3: GSJ F18141-006, 4: -005)
- 5-6: Spumellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18141-003, 6: -004)
- 7: *Tirodella?* sp. (GSJ F18141-007)
- 8: *Celluronta* sp. (GSJ F18141-001)
- 9: Nassellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18141-002)

KJ0810f (Locality Kc-4: Masudani)

- 10: Spumellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18142-013)
- 11-17: *Pseudostylosphaera* sp. (11: GSJ F18142-008, 12: -011, 13: -005, 14: -010, 15: -009, 16: -007, 17: -012)
- 18: *Eptingium?* sp. (GSJ F18142-006)
- 19-20: Spumellaria gen. et sp. indet. (19: GSJ F18142-004, 20: -003)
- 21: Nassellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18142-002)

KJ0810g (Locality Kc-4: Masudani)

- 22: *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18143-010)
- 23: Spumellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18143-005)
- 24: *Cryptostephanidium?* sp. (GSJ F18143-008)
- 25: *Eptingium* sp. (GSJ F18143-007)
- 26: *Parasepsagon* sp. (GSJ F18143-009)
- 27: Entactinaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18143-006)
- 28-30: *Triassocampe* sp. (28: GSJ F18143-003, 29: -002, 30: -001)
- 31: Nassellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18143-004)

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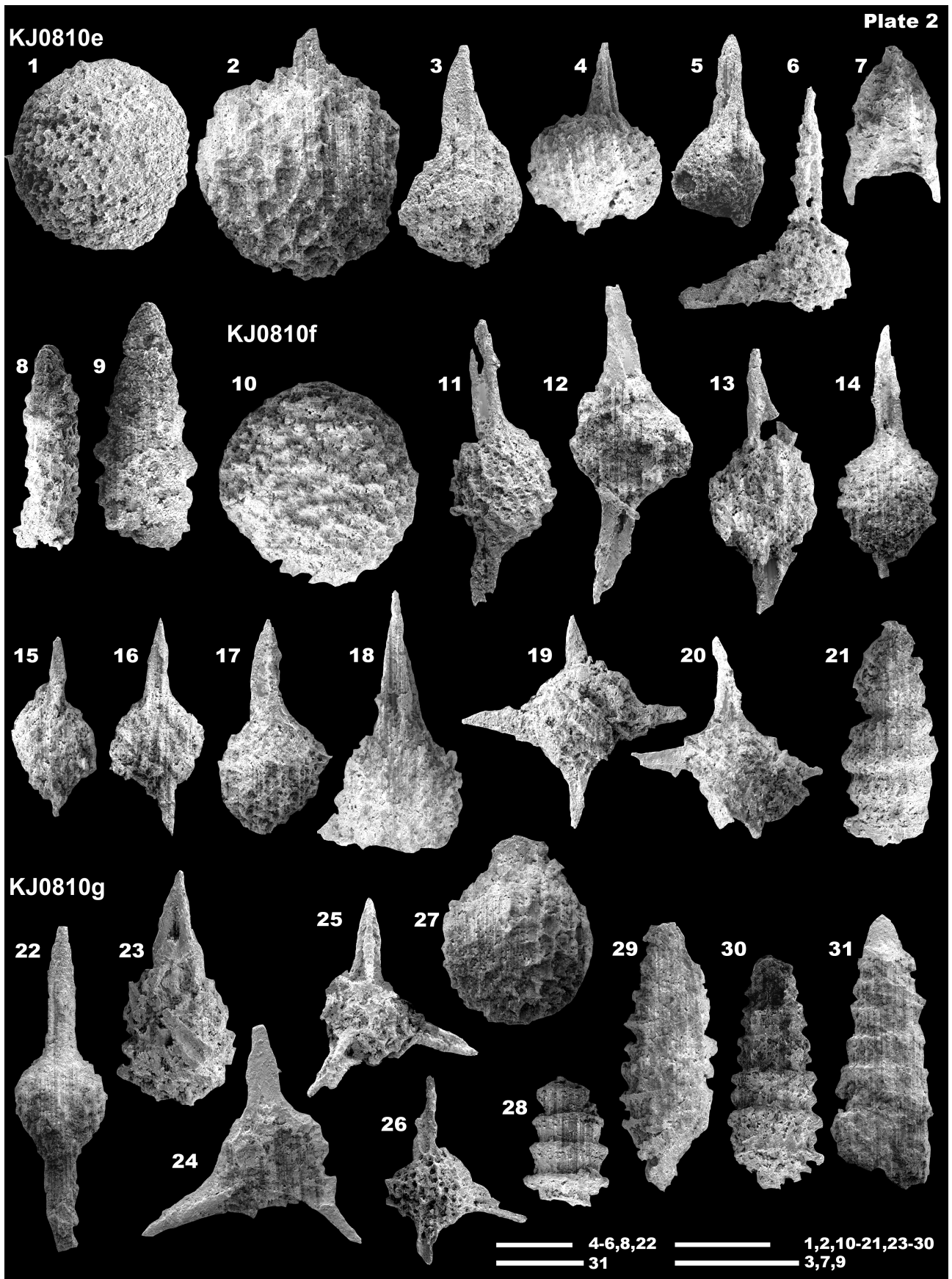


Plate 3 SEM images of Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from the Kanmuri Yama district.

KJ0904a (Locality Kc-5: Northeast of Masudani)

1-2: *Archaeocenosphaera*? sp. (1: GSJ F18144-004, 2: -005)

3: *Triassocampe* sp. (GSJ F18144-001)

4: *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18144-002)

KJ0904b (Locality Kc-5: Northeast of Masudani)

5-6: *Archaeocenosphaera*? sp. (5: GSJ F18145-013, 6: -012)

7: *Pseudostylosphaera helicata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18145-008)

8: *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18145-011)

9: *Eptinguium*? sp. (GSJ F18145-010)

10: *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18145-009)

11: *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18145-007)

12: *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18145-003)

13-16: *Triassocampe* sp. (13: GSJ F18145-004, 14: -002, 15: -001, 16: -005)

KJ0904c (Locality Kc-5: Northeast of Masudani)

17-18: *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (17: GSJ F18146-009, 18: -003)

19: *Pseudostylosphaera* sp. aff. *P. tenuis* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18146-004)

20-23: *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (20: GSJ F18146-001, 21: -007, 22: -002, 23: -008)

KJ0905b (Locality Kc-6: Northeast of Masudani)

24: *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18147-001)

25: *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18147-002)

KJ0905c (Locality Kc-6: Northeast of Masudani)

26: *Trillus elkhornensis* Pessagno and Blome (GSJ F18148-008)

27: *Favosyringiinae* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18148-006)

28: *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18148-007)

29-31: *Parahsuum* sp. (29: GSJ F18148-003, 30: -005, 31: -001)

32: *Hsuum* sp. cf. *H. mulleri* Pessagno and Whalen (GSJ F18148-004)

33: *Lantus*? sp. (GSJ F18148-002)

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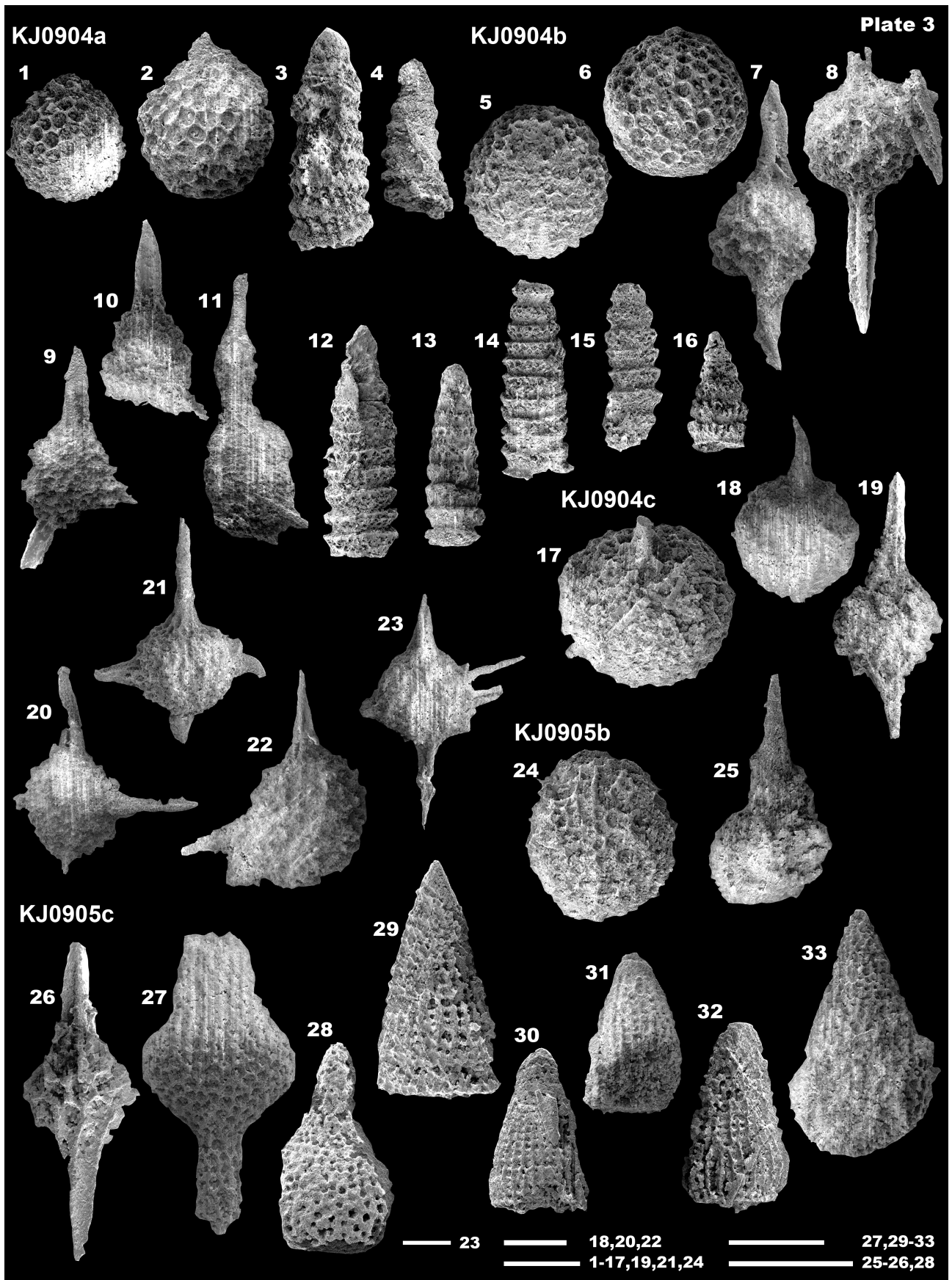


Plate 4 SEM images of Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from the Kanmuri Yama district.

KJ1904a (Locality Kc-7: Southeast of Hirono)

- 1: *Pantanellium? virgeum* Sashida (GSJ F18157-014)
- 2-6: *Spumellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (2: GSJ F18157-009, 3: -017, 4: -004, 5: -003, 6: -012)
- 7: *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp. (GSJ F18157-007)
- 8-10: *Entactinaria* gen. et sp. indet. (8: GSJ F18157-008, 9: -005, 10: -013)
- 11: *Monostylosphaera?* sp. (GSJ F18157-002)
- 12: *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp. (GSJ F18157-001)

KJ2206a (Locality Kc-8: Tarumi-gawa)

- 13-14: *Udalia* sp. (13: GSJ F18159-038, 14: -039)
- 15: *Nassellaria* gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18159-028)
- 16: *Napora mitrata* Pessagno, Whalen and Yeh (GSJ F18159-037)
- 17: *Napora* sp. (GSJ F18159-034)
- 18-19: *Eucyrtidiellum nagaiiae* Dumitrica, Goričan and Matsuoka (18: GSJ F18159-030, 19: -031)
- 20: *Minocapsa globosa* Matsuoka (GSJ F18159-025)
- 21: *Lantus obesus* (Yeh) (GSJ F18159-026)
- 22: *Lantus intermedius* Carter (GSJ F18159-015)
- 23: *Hsuuum* sp. sensu Matsuoka 2004 (GSJ F18159-012)
- 24-26: *Parahsuuum simplum* Yao (24: GSJ F18159-006, 25: -018, 26: -013)
- 27-28: *Parahsuuum ovale* Hori and Yao (27: GSJ F18159-009, 28: -023)
- 29: *Parahsuuum* sp. (GSJ F18159-021)
- 30: *Parahsuuum izeense* (Pessagno and Whalen) (GSJ F18159-011)
- 31-33: *Parahsuuum longiconicum* Sashida (31: GSJ F18159-002, 32: -007, 33: -020)
- 34: *Parahsuuum* sp. (GSJ F18159-001)
- 35: *Canoptum* sp. cf. *C. rugosum* Pessagno and Poisson (GSJ F18159-019)

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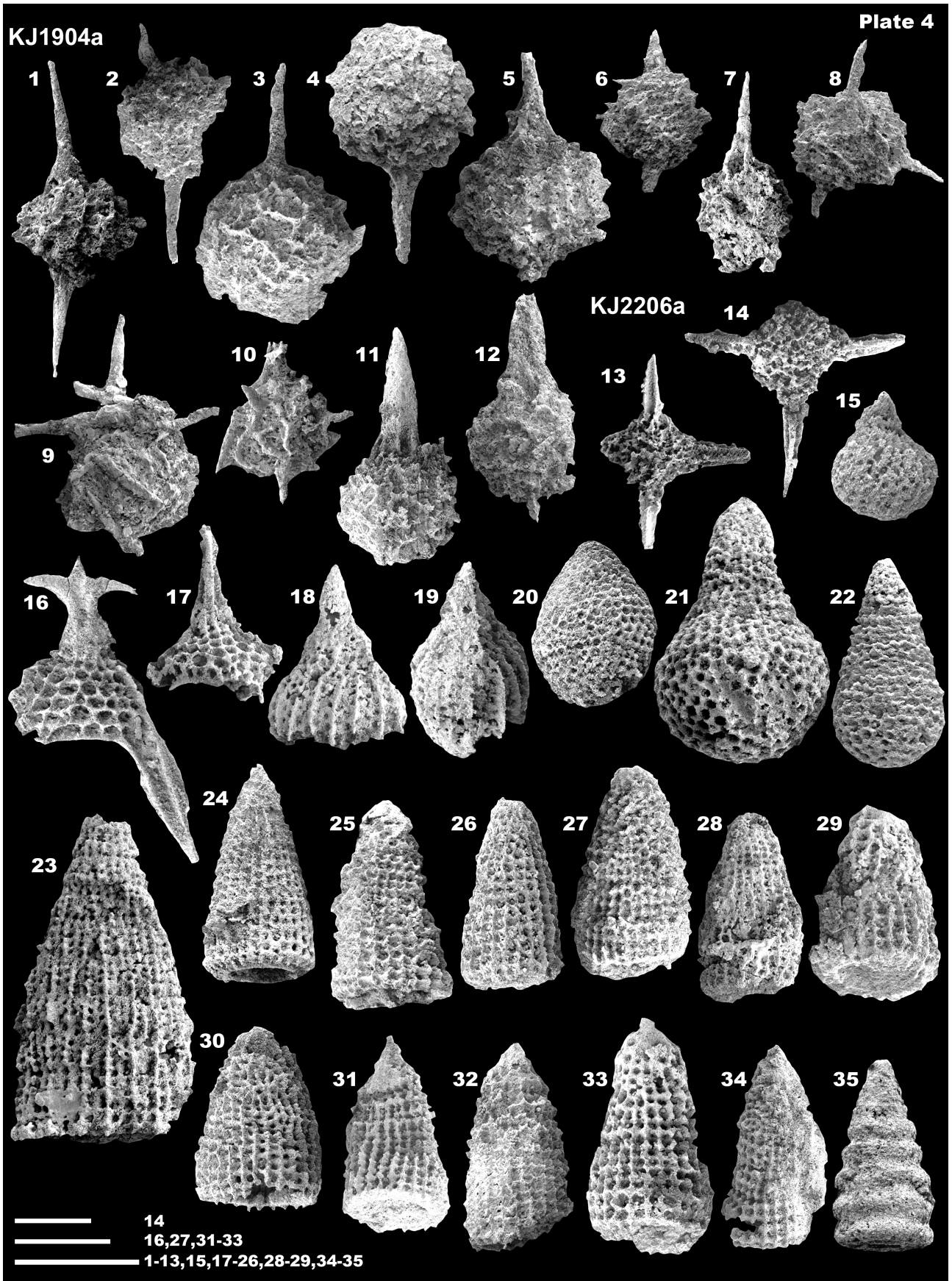


Plate 5 SEM images of Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from the Kanmuri Yama district.

KJ2206h (Locality Kc-8: Tarumi-gawa)

- 1: *Pseudostylosphaera compacta* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18160-011)
- 2-3: *Pseudostylosphaera* sp. (2: GSJ F18160-010, 3: -015)
- 4-6: *Hindeosphaera spinulosa* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (4: GSJ F18160-014, 5: -017, 6: -016)
- 7: *Spongostephanidium* sp. (GSJ F18160-018)
- 8: *Cryptostephanidium?* sp. (GSJ F18160-021)
- 9-12: *Triassocampe deweveri* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (9: GSJ F18160-004, 10: -005, 11: -003, 12: -008)
- 13-14: *Triassocampe* sp. (13: GSJ F18160-007, 14: -001)
- 15: *Paratriassocampe* sp. (GSJ F18160-006)
- 16: *Triassocampe* sp. (GSJ F18160-002)

KJ2206i (Locality Kc-8: Tarumi-gawa)

- 17-18: *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp. (17: GSJ F18161-006, 18: -005)
- 19: Entactinaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18161-007)
- 20: *Eptingium* sp. (GSJ F18161-001)
- 21: *Bipedis* sp. (GSJ F18161-004)
- 22: Spumellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18161-002)

KJ2412 (Locality Kc-9: South of Kōkuradani)

- 23-24: *Pseudostylosphaera* sp. (23: GSJ F18167-009, 24: -014)
- 25-27: *Pseudostylosphaera?* sp. (25: GSJ F18167-013, 26: -010, 27: -008)
- 28: *Cryptostephanidium?* sp. (GSJ F18167-018)
- 29-30: Entactinaria gen. et sp. indet. (29: GSJ F18167-017, 30: -016)
- 31-36: *Triassocampe* sp. (31: GSJ F18167-001, 32: -002, 33: -003, 34: -004, 35: -005, 36: -007)
- 37: *Triassocampe* sp. aff. *T. diordinis* Bragin sensu Sugiyama 1992 (GSJ F18167-006)

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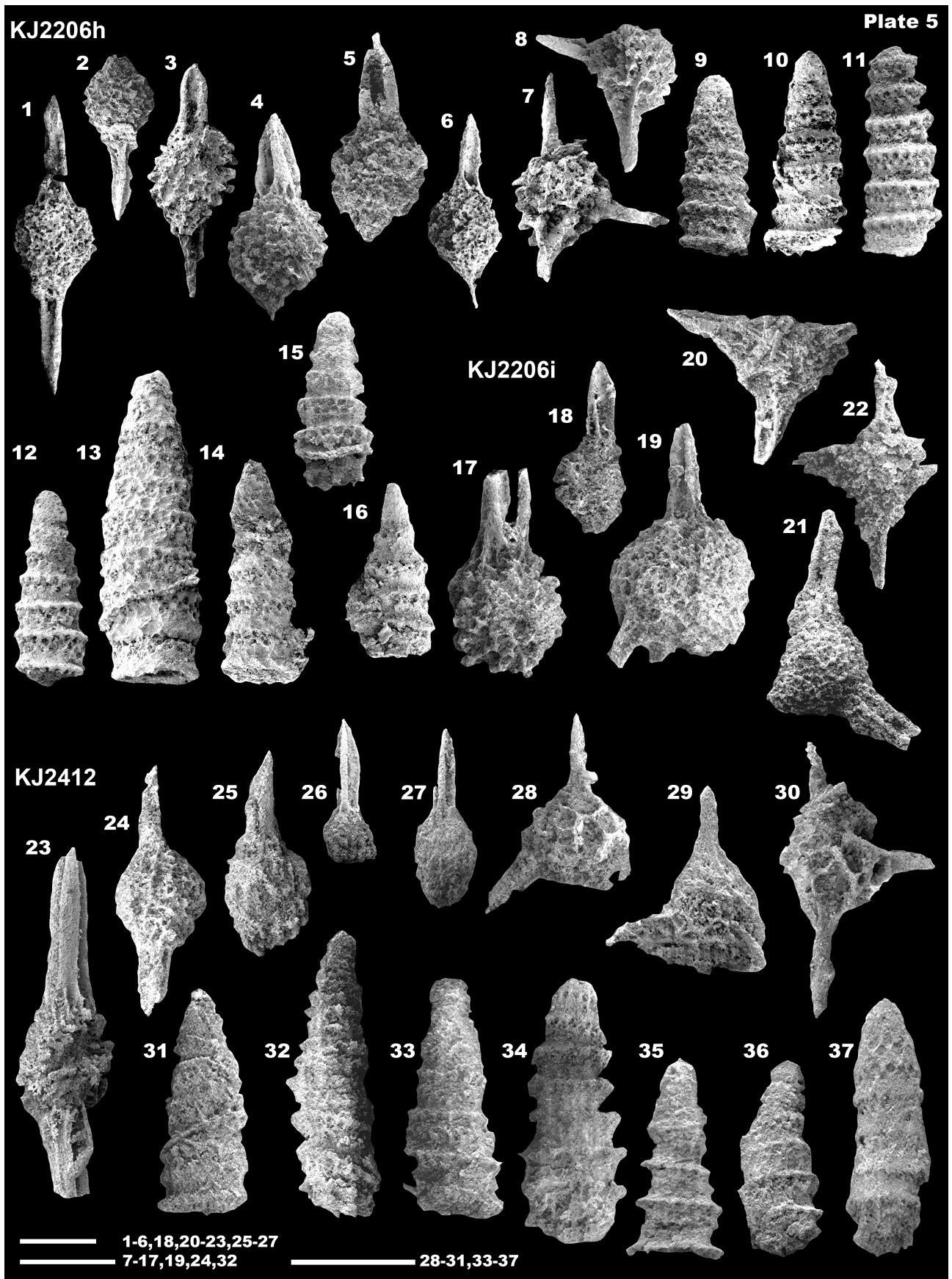


Plate 6 SEM images of Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from the Kanmuri Yama district.

KJ2413 (Locality Kc-10: South of Kōkuradani)

- 1: *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (GSJ F18168-005)
- 2: *Spongoxystris?* sp. (GSJ F18168-009)
- 3-10: *Muelleritortis cochleata* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (3: GSJ F18168-014, 4: -012, 5: -016, 6: -013, 7: -012, 8: -008, 9: -006, 10: -011)
- 11: *Triassocampe* sp. cf. *T. myterocorys* Sugiyama (GSJ F18168-003)
- 12-13: *Triassocampe* sp. (12: GSJ F18168-004, 13: -001)

KJ2902c (Locality Kc-11: Fujikuradani)

- 14: *Pseudostylosphaera* sp. (GSJ F18173-034)
- 15-16: *Protopsium* sp. (15: GSJ F18173-012, 16: -040)
- 17: *Pentabelus* sp. cf. *P. furutanii* Sugiyama (GSJ F18173-011)
- 18: Spumellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18173-007)
- 19: Entactinaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18173-008)
- 20: Spumellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18173-039)
- 21: *Oertlispongus* sp. (GSJ F18173-031)
- 22-24: *Spongostephanidium* sp. (22: GSJ F18173-003, 23: -001, 24: -023)
- 25: *Eptingium?* sp. (GSJ F18173-005)
- 26: Entactinaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18173-029)
- 27: Poulpidae gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18173-044)
- 28: Entactinaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18173-013)

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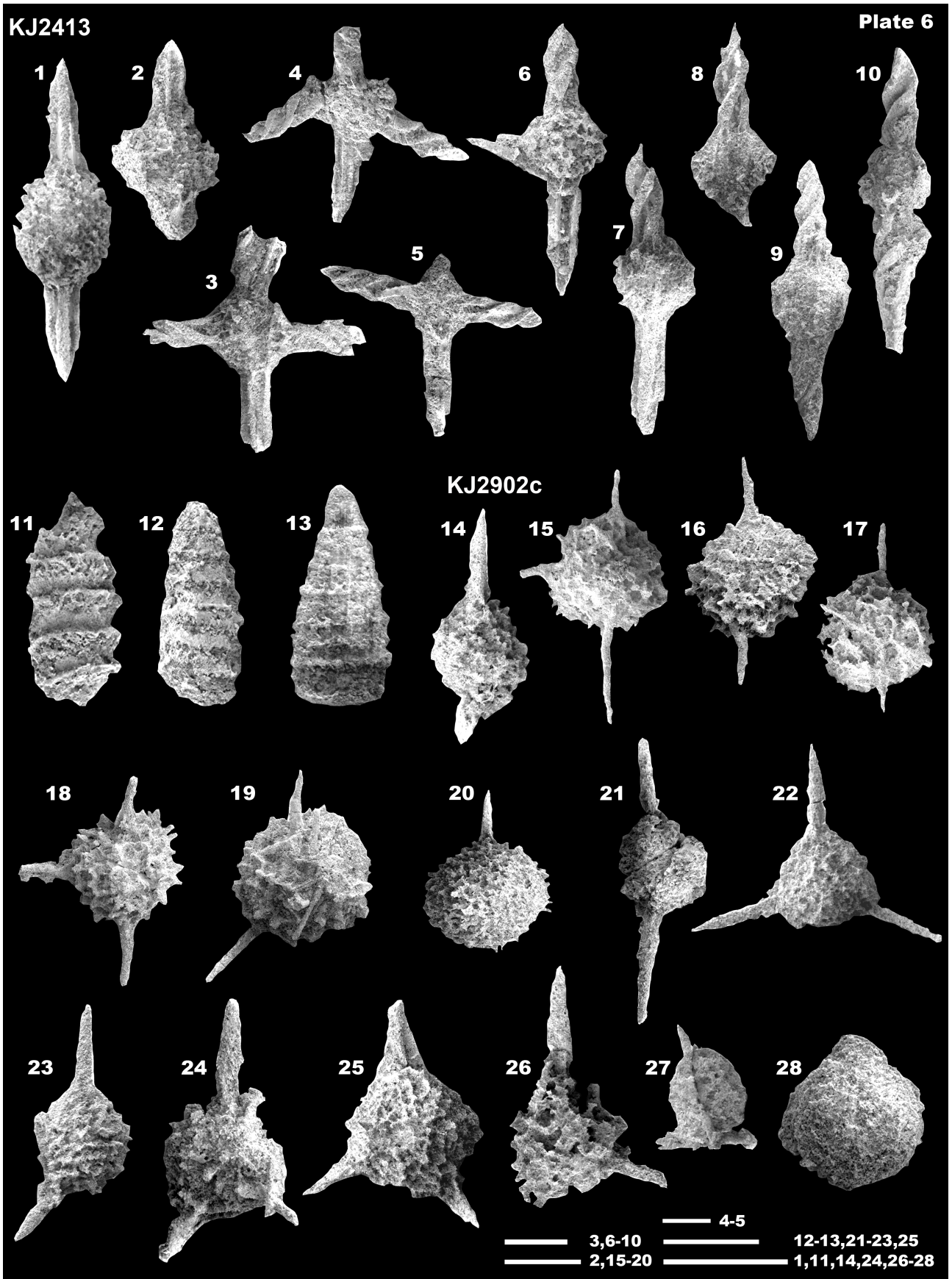


Plate 7 SEM images of Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from the Kanmuri Yama district.

KJ3701 (Locality Kc-12: South of Kanmuri-tōge)

1: Favosyringiinae gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18177-011)

2-4: *Parahsuum* sp. (2: GSJ F18177-004, 3: -001, 4: -006)

5: Nassellaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18177-005)

6: *Hsuum?* sp. (GSJ F18177-009)

7: *Canoptum* sp. cf. *C. anulatum* Pessagno and Poisson (GSJ F18177-002)

KJ3907 (Locality Kc-13: Northeast of Kanmuri-tōge)

8-12: *Pseudostylosphaera japonica* (Nakaseko and Nishimura) (8: GSJ F18178-007, 9: -008, 10: -009, 11: -010, 12: -011)

13: *Monostylosphaera?* sp. (GSJ F18178-012)

14: *Hindeosphaera* sp. (GSJ F18178-014)

15-16: *Eptingium nakasekoi* Kozur and Mostler (15: GSJ F18178-013, 16: -017)

17: *Eptingium* sp. (GSJ F18178-015)

18-20: *Triassocampe* sp. (18: GSJ F18178-004, 19: -005, 20: -006)

21-22: Nassellaria gen. et sp. indet. (21: GSJ F18178-001, 22: -003)

KJ4401a (Locality Kc-14: Ichindani)

23-24: *Praemososaturnalis* sp. (GSJ F18194-005, 24: -004)

25: *Palaeosaturnalis* sp. (GSJ F18194-006)

26-28: Nassellaria gen. et sp. indet. (26: GSJ F18194-001, 27: -002, 28: -003)

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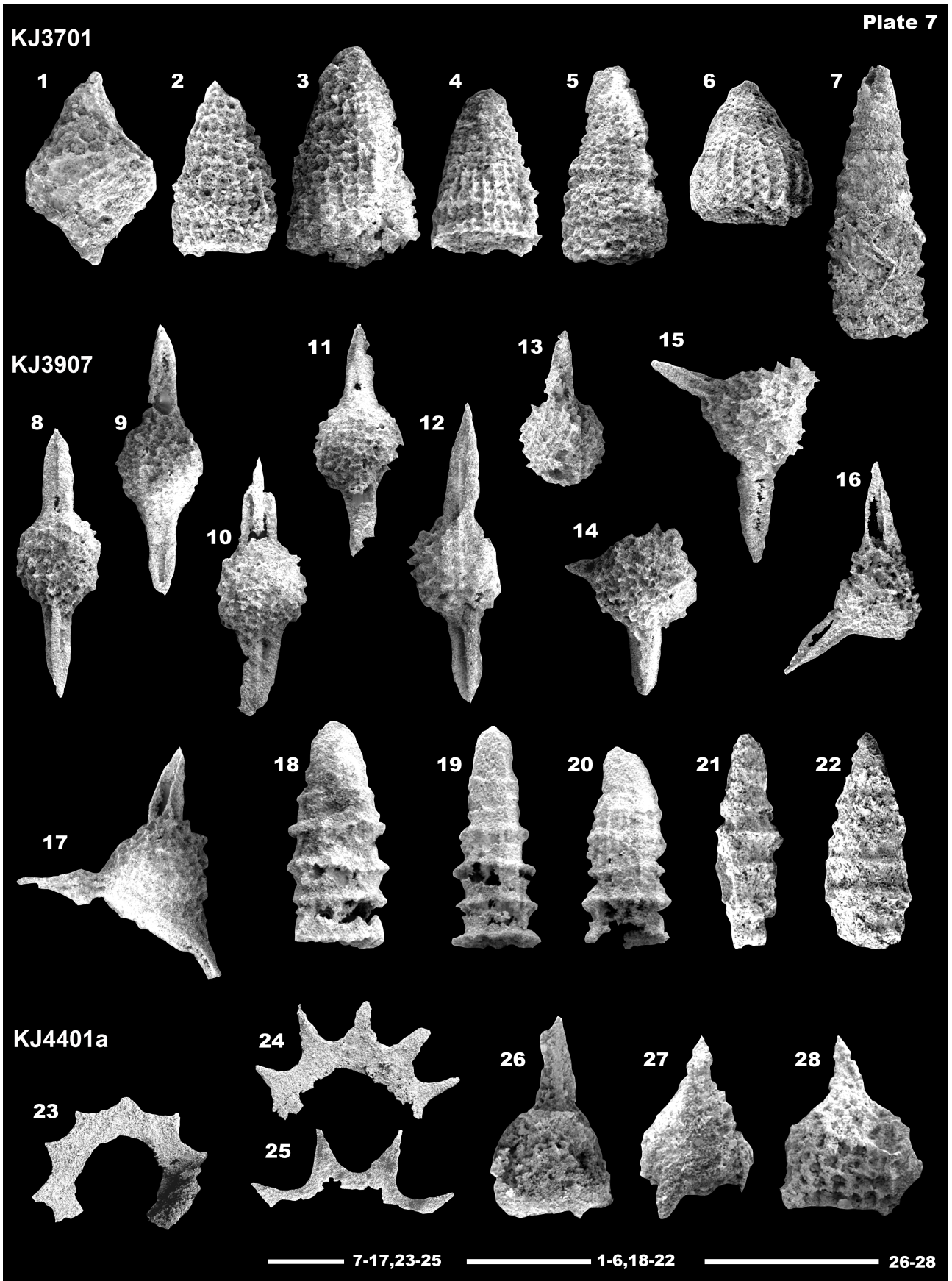


Plate 8 SEM images of Triassic to Middle Jurassic radiolarians from the Kanmuri Yama district.

KJ4405 (Locality Kc-15: Ichindani)

1-2: *Pantanellium* sp. (1: GSJ F18195-013, 2: -009)

3: *Parahsuum* sp. cf. *P. longiconicum* Sashida (GSJ F18195-007)

4-7: *Praeparvicingula* sp. (4: GSJ F18195-004, 5: -006, 6: -005, 7: 001)

KJ4406a (Locality Kc-16: Ichindani)

8: Entactinaria gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18196-015)

9: *Zartus* sp. (GSJ F18196-012)

10: Patulibracchiidae gen. et sp. indet. (GSJ F18196-013)

11: *Dictyomitrella?* sp. cf. *D.? kamoensis* Mizutani and Kido (GSJ F18196-007)

12: *Praeparvicingula* sp. cf. *P. nanoconica* (Hori and Otsuka) (GSJ F18196-004)

13: *Praeparvicingula gigantocornis* (Kishida and Hisada) (GSJ F18196-006)

14-15: *Praeparvicingula* sp. (14: GSJ F18196-002, 15: -001)

16: *Parvicingula* sp. (GSJ F18196-008)

KJ5904 (Locality Kc-17: Southwest of of Kanmuri-tōge)

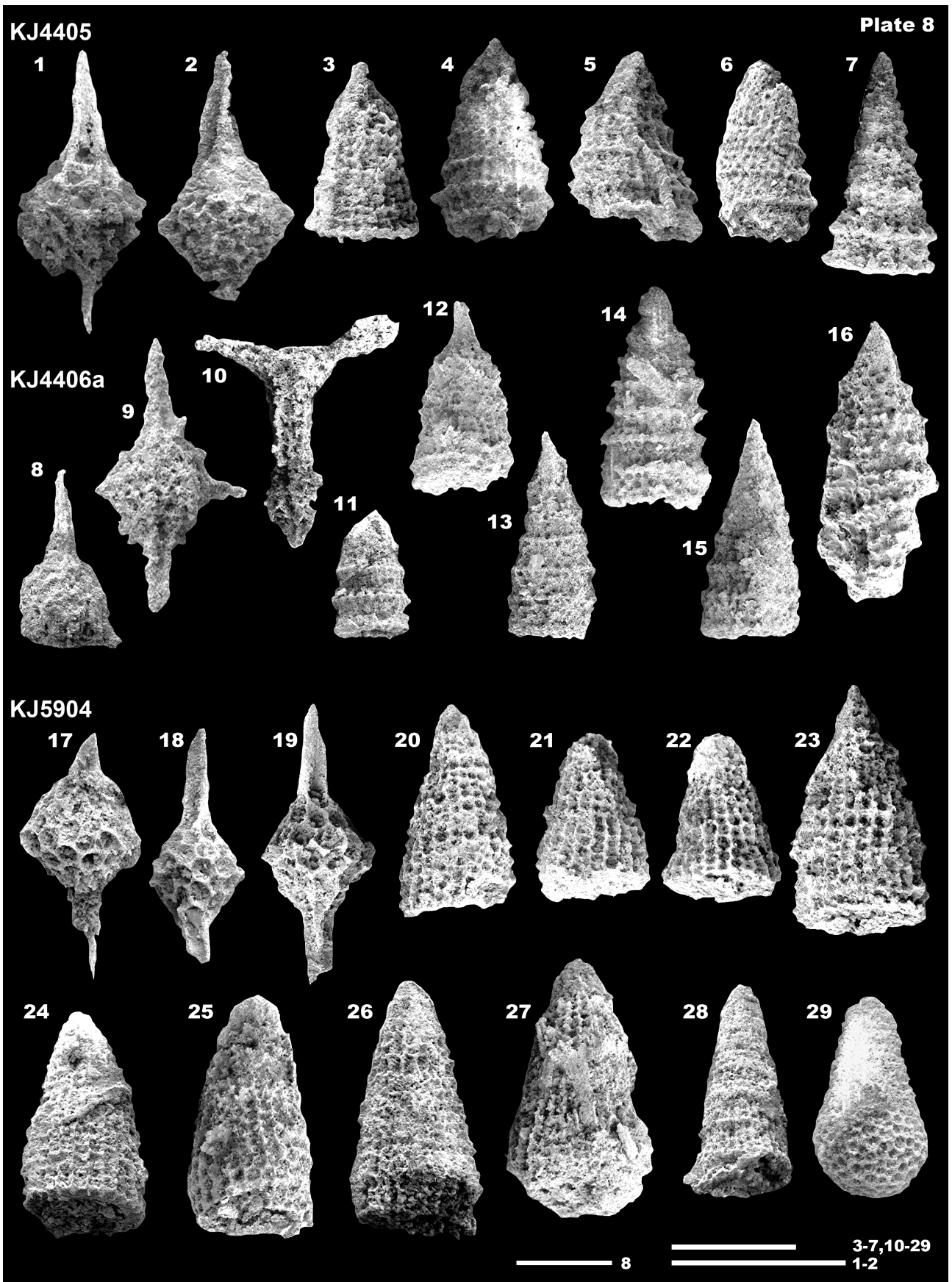
17-19: *Pantanellium* sp. (17: GSJ F18215-015, 18: -019, 19: -016)

20-27: *Parahsuum* sp. (20: GSJ F18215-009, 21: -005, 22: -008, 23: -007, 24: -002, 25: -003, 26: -006, 27: -004)

28: *Parahsuum?* sp. A (GSJ F18215-011)

29: *Lantus intermedius* Carter (GSJ F18215-012)

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西南日本南条山地における遠洋性チャートから産出した
三畳紀 - 中期ジュラ紀放散虫 - 第2部. 冠山地域

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要 旨

西南日本福井県中央部に位置する南条山地の主要域には、玄武岩・石灰岩・チャート・泥岩・砂岩などの多様な岩石から構成される堆積岩複合岩体が分布する。南条山地におけるこれらの岩石のうち27地点の露頭から採取したチャートについて、含有される放散虫化石の検討を行った。その結果、冠山地域では17地点26試料から *Spumellaria* 目ならびに *Entactinaria* 目が卓越する三畳紀群集と *Nassellaria* 目が卓越するジュラ紀群集が産出した。本報告ではこれらの放散虫化石群集を記載するとともに、その種構成に基づき冠山地域に分布するチャートの地質時代は前期三畳紀 (Olenekian) ~ 中期ジュラ紀 (Bajocian) に至ると結論した。

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