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Abstract

Two of three new species of Podapolipidae (Acari: Tarsonemoidea) discovered under the elytra of Diplocheila zeelandica (Coleoptera: Carabidae) are described under the names Dorsipes diplocheilae sp. nov. and D. zeelandicae sp. nov. This is the first record of species in the dorsipes group of the genus Dorsipes from the genus Diplocheila. Adult females of species in the dorsipes group share the plesiomorphic character of two pairs of setae on plate EF. The vagina is not broad and the opening is terminal. The male genital capsule is not broader at its base than at its apex. Putative apomorphies for adult females of the dorsipes group are: coxal setae 3a not present, setae v_1 reduced, ambulacra I claws small and tarsi II solenidia omega absent. Dorsipes diplocheilae and D. zeelandicae are compared with five species from Europe, Asia and western North America in the dorsipes group, parasites of carabid beetles in the genus Carabus. Revised keys to species of the group dorsipes are provided.

Key words: Taxonomy, Podapolipidae, new species, Japan, insect parasites

Introduction

Mites in the family Podapolipidae (Acari: Tarsonemina) are highly specialized ecto- and endoparasites of insects in the orders Blattodea, Orthoptera, and especially Coleoptera. One podapolipid mite species each occurs on insects in the orders Hemiptera and Hymenoptera. Eighty two species of Podapolipidae in four genera occur on fifty one genera of beetles in the family Carabidae. A majority of the 34,175 species of Carabidae (Lorenz 2005) have not been examined thoroughly for podapolipid parasites. Regenfuss (1968) examined nearly 7,000 carabid beetles in 78 genera and found podapolipids on 839 hosts. He described the genus *Dorsipes* and placed seven species of Dorsipes from a relatively small area of Central Germany in three groups: dorsipes, inflatus and platysmae (Regenfuss 1968). Eidelberg (1994) noted Dorsipes from Ukraine and eastern Russia. Japanese species of Dorsipes are: D. curtonoti Kurosa and Husband, 2002, D. limnocarabi Husband and Kurosa, 2002, D. yezoensis Husband and Kurosa, 2002 and the species described herein. The expansion of literature involving *Dorsipes* after 1968 includes the following contributions: Husband and Rack (1991), Eidelberg (1994), Husband (2000), Husband and Dastych (2000), Husband and Kurosa (2002), Kurosa and Husband (2002), Husband and Husband (2005), Husband and Weatherby (2005), Husband and Husband (2007), Hajiqanbar et al. (2008) and Husband and Husband (2010). The purposes of this paper are to describe the first record of species in the dorsipes group from a host genus other than Carabus, the genus Diplocheila, compare them with five species in the dorsipes group from Japan, Europe and Western North America and present a revised key to species in the dorsipes group.

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Materials and methods

Fourteen specimens of *Diplocheila zeelandica* (Redtenbacher) (Coleoptera: Carabidae) from Yamagata, Chiba, Ehime, Fukuoka and Okinawa Prefectures, Japan, four specimens of *D. elongata* (Bates) from Chiba and Ibaraki Prefectures, Japan, and three specimens of *D. macromandibularis* (Habu and Tanaka) from Yamagata Prefecture, Japan, were examined for mites by the senior author. Podapolipid mites were discovered on eleven specimens of *D. zeelandica*. Mites were cleared with Keifer's clearing agent (Keifer 1953) and mounted in Andre's fluid (modified Hoyer's medium). Taxonomic research was made on two of the three species involved.

Measurements were taken with the aid of a Zeiss compound phase contrast microscope with an ocular micrometer. All measurements are in micrometers. Setae no longer than the diameter of setal acetabulae are listed as microsetae (m). Setae represented by acetabulae without setal remnants are listed as vestigials (v). Terminology follows Lindquist (1986). Long setae are often bent, obscured, broken or at an angle that makes measurement difficult. Setae are at least as long as indicated. Abbreviations for institutions cited are: National Museum of Nature and Science, Tokyo, Japan (NSMT), National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C., U.S.A. (NMNH), Biozentrum Grindel und Zoologisches Museum, Hamburg, Germany (BGZM), and University of Michigan Museum of Zoology, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A. (UMMZ).

Taxonomy

Podapolipidae Ewing 1922

Dorsipes diplocheilae Kurosa and Husband sp. nov. (Figs. 1-2)

Differential diagnosis. Setae e (13) of adult female D. diplocheilae shorter than the length of setae e (24) of D. yezoensis and longer than the length of setae e (3) of D. limnocarabi. Setae f (29–35) longer than the length of setae f (20–26) of D. limnocarabi and shorter than the length of setae f (76–100) of D. yezoensis. Prodorsal setae v_1 (23–35) longer than setae v_1 of any of the other nineteen species of Dorsipes (m-18). Setae d and f of larval female D. diplocheilae (20–29, 22–29) longer than species of Dorsipes from the genus Carabus (5–15, 7–18). Species in inflatus and platysmae groups without setae e. Setae h_1-h_1 adjacent in larval female D. diplocheilae in contrast to separated by 5–20 in related Dorsipes with Carabus hosts. Tarsi II solenidia ω present in all instars of D. diplocheilae but not present in the five related species of Dorsipes in the dorsipes group with Carabus hosts. D. diplocheilae and African Dorsipes tefflii (platysmae group) with genua I, II, III setae of all instars 4-3-3, respectively.

Description

Female (Fig. 1, n=6): *Gnathosoma* length 50–62, width 49–54. Cheliceral stylets length 75–92, pharynx width 13–19, dorsal gnathosomal setae 30–35, ventral gnathosomal setae 15–23, distance between ventral setae 11–21.

Idiosoma. Stigmata evident anterolateral to setae v_1 , tracheae narrow throughout. Idiosoma length 310–580, width 237–460 (Table 1). Prodorsal setae v_1 23–35, v_2 v, sc_1 m, sc_2 50–57. Distance between setae v_1 50–57. Plate C, setae c_1 27–37, setae c_2 27–35, plate D setae d 30, foramen ia anteromedial to setae d, plate EF, lateral setae e 5–13, setae f 29–35, foramen im slightly anterior to setae e and f; plate H setae h_1 15–17, distance between h_1 setae 46–57. Venter with apodemes conspicuous, coxal setae thin, Ia 10–11, Ia 2Ia 10, Ia 3Ia 0–m, Ia 3Ia 9–11.

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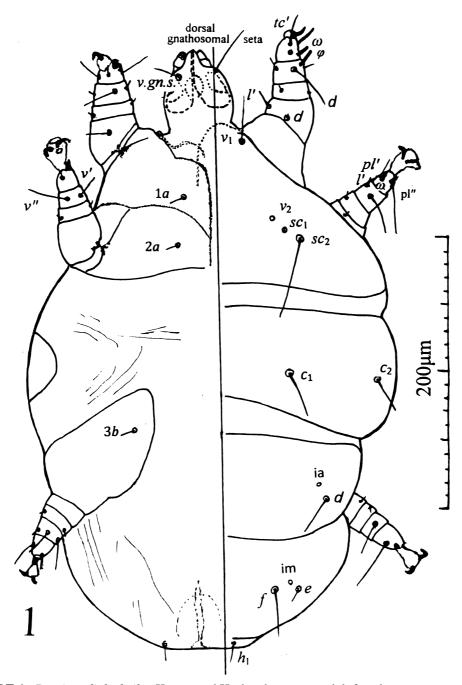


FIGURE 1. Dorsipes diplocheilae Kurosa and Husband, sp. nov., adult female.

Legs. Setation for femur, genu, tibia, tarsus I, II, III 3-4-7- 9, 1-3-4-6, 1-3-4-5, respectively. Tarsus I setae ft' microsetae and solenidia included in setal count. Ambulacrum I with a prominent claw (14–15), ambulacra II, III each with two prominent claws (14–15). Femur I setae v'' 17–21, tibia I solenidion ϕ 11–12, setae k 6–7, tarsus I solenidion ω 7–10. Femur II setae d 4–5, tibia II setae v'' 25–30, tarsus II solenidion ω 7–8, setae pl'' 35–50. Tibia III setae d 25–27. Tarsus III setae pl' 20–25, pl'' 40–50.

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Larval female (Fig. 2, n=7): *Gnathosoma* length 40–45, width 35–40. Cheliceral stylet length 50–53. Pharynx width 8–10, dorsal gnathosomal setae 42–60, ventral setae 15–24, distance between ventral setae 14–18.

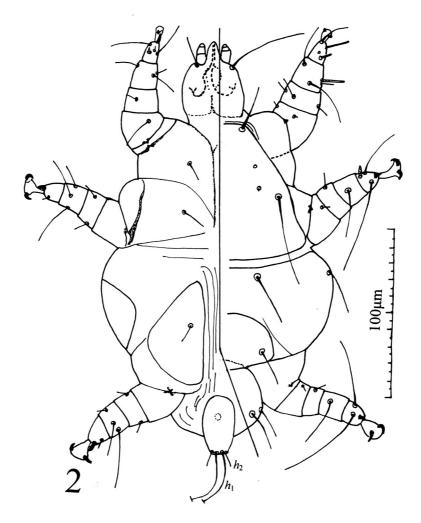


FIGURE 2. Dorsipes diplocheilae Kurosa and Husband, sp. nov., larval female.

Idiosoma. Length 180–340, width 135–250 (Table 1). Prodorsal plate setae v_1 26–28, v_2 v, sc_1 m, sc_2 50–60, v_1 – v_1 distance 27–32. Plate C, setae c_1 20–30, c_2 21–30. Plate D, setae d 20–29, plate EF setae e 10–17, setae f 22–29. Plate H, setae h_1 70–80, h_2 10–12, h_1 – h_1 setae adjacent. Venter with apodemes 1, 2 moderately developed, extending to sternal apodeme medially. Coxal setae la 10–11, la 2a 13–15, la absent-m, la 3b 10–11. Legs. Setation as in adult female. Ambulacra I each with two small claws (3–5), ambulacra II, III each with two larger claws (7–12). Femur I setae v'' 20–25, tibia I solenidion φ 10–14, setae la 5–7, tarsus I solenidion la 6–10, setae la 47–53 and 48–60, respectively.

Egg (n=1): Length 220, width 145.

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Male unknown.

Host. All the specimens examined were found on the hind wings (mostly basal portion), metanotum or abdominal dorsum under the elytra of *Diplocheila* (*Isorembus*) *zeelandica* (Redtenbacher, 1867) (Coleoptera: Carabidae: Licinini) collected in four localities of Japan.

Type material: Holotype, adult female (Kurosa No. 4889-1), from *Diplocheila zeelandica* (Redtenbacher) (Coleoptera: Carabidae), Funaura, Iriomote Is., Okinawa Prefecture, Japan, 24 April 1979, Y. Kurosa leg., deposited in the National Museum of Nature and Science, Tokyo, Japan (NSMT). Paratypes, four adult females and five larval females with the same data as the holotype; one adult female, one egg, Mt. Tomisan, Minami-Bôsô-shi, Chiba Pref., Japan, 5 March 1978, T. Okumura leg.; one larval female, Oda-chô, Ehime Pref., Japan, 23 July 1957, E. Yamamoto leg.; one larval female, Sonai, Iriomote Is., Okinawa Pref., Japan, 27 April 1979, Y. Kurosa leg. One adult female paratype and one larval female paratype are deposited in each of the following museums: NMNH, UMMZ and BGZM. The remaining paratypes are deposited in NSMT.

Etymology. The specific name *diplocheilae* refers to the generic name of the host beetle, *Diplocheila zeelandica*.

Dorsipes zeelandicae Kurosa and Husband sp. nov. (Figs. 3-5)

Differential diagnosis. Setae e (5) of adult female D. zeelandicae shorter than the length of setae e (13–24) of D. yezoensis and D. diplocheilae and longer than length of setae e (3) of D. limnocarabi. Setae f (48–65) longer than the length of setae f (20–35) of D. limnocarabi and D. diplocheilae, shorter than the length of setae f (76–100) of D. yezoensis. Prodorsal setae v_1 (22–37) longer than setae v_1 of any of the other nineteen species of Dorsipes (m-18) except D. diplocheilae (23–35). Setae d and f of larval female D. zeelandicae (25–27) shorter than setae d and f of D. diplocheilae (29–35) and longer than all other species of Dorsipes (5–15, 7–18). Species in inflatus and platysmae groups without setae e. Setae h_1 – h_1 adjacent in larval female D. zeelandicae as in D. diplocheilae and in contrast to separated by 5–20 in related Dorsipes. Tarsi II solenidia ω present in all instars of D. zeelandicae and D. diplocheilae but not present in the five related species of Dorsipes in the dorsipes group. D. zeelandicae, D. diplocheilae and African Dorsipes tefflii (platysmae group) with genua I, II, III setae of all instars 4-3-3, respectively.

Description

Female (Fig. 3, n=5): *Gnathosoma* length 52–70, width 55–68. Cheliceral stylets length 84–100, pharynx width 12–15, dorsal gnathosomal setae 30–35, ventral gnathosomal setae 11–20, distance between ventral setae 20.

Idiosoma. Stigmata evident anterolateral to setae v_1 , tracheae narrow throughout. Idiosoma length 332–430, width 240–318 (Table 1). Prodorsal setae v_1 22–37, v_2 v, sc_1 m, sc_2 89–89. Distance between setae v_1 60. Plate C, setae c_1 58–68, setae c_2 37–72, plate D setae d 50–65, plate EF lateral setae e 5, setae f 48–65; plate H setae h_1 14–17, distance between h_1 setae 51–57. Venter with apodemes 2 not extending to sternal apodeme, coxal setae thin, la, 10–15, la 2la 10–14, la 3la absent, la 8–10.

Legs. Setation for femur, genu, tibia, tarsus I, II, III 3-4-7-9, 1-3-4-6, 1-3-4-5, respectively. Tarsus I setae ft' microsetae and solenidia included in setal count. Ambulacrum I with a prominent claw (14–20), ambulacra II, III each with two prominent claws (13–20). Femur I setae v'' 20–30, tibia I solenidion φ 10–11, setae t 5–8, tarsus I solenidion t 8–10. Femur II, III setae t 4–5 and 3–5, tibia II setae t 27–34, tarsus II solenidion t 8–10, setae t 25–48. Tibia III setae t 20–35. Tarsus III setae t 17–22, t 17–20.

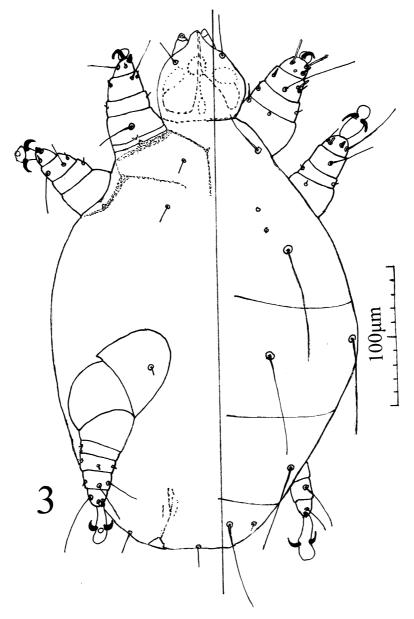


FIGURE 3. Dorsipes zeelandicae Kurosa and Husband, sp. nov., adult female.

Male (Fig. 4, n=1): Gnathosoma length 33, width 35. Cheliceral stylet length 18, pharynx width 7. Dorsal gnathosomal length 24, ventral gnathosomal length 10, distance between ventral gnathosomal setae 17.

Idiosoma. Length 195, width 137 (Table 1). Prodorsal plate setae v_1 , v_2 and sc_1 m, sc_2 60, distance between setae v_1 42. Aedeagus middorsal between fused plates C, D and EF, length 20, maximum width 19. Venter with apodemes I and II moderately developed, apodemes II not extending to sternal apodeme. Coxal setae Ia 6, 2a 10, 3a 0, 3b 8.

Legs. Setation as in female. Ambulacrum I with a single small claw (5), ambulacra II, III each with two strong claws (15). Tibia I solenidion φ 10, seta k 4, tarsus I solenidion ω 10. Femur II setae

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d m, tibia II setae v'' 23, tarsus II solenidion ω 10, setae pl'' 36. Femur III setae v' m, tibia III setae l' spinelike 3, v'' 25. Tarsus III setae pl'' 40. Legs IV femur and genu without setae, Tibia IV setae v'' m, tarsus IV setae tc' claw-like 6, u' 5, pv' 3 and pv'' 3.

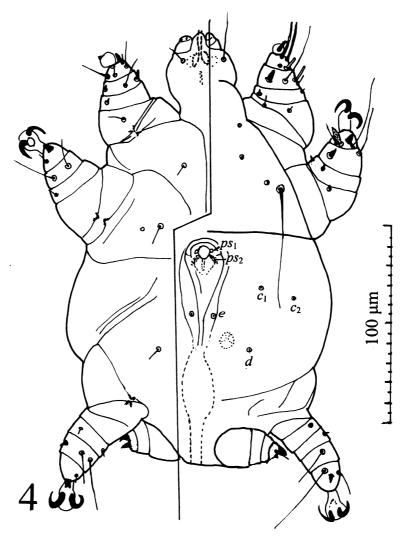


FIGURE 4. Dorsipes zeelandicae Kurosa and Husband, sp. nov., male.

Larval female (Fig. 5, n=1): *Gnathosoma* length 48, width 45. Cheliceral stylet length 61. Pharynx width 8, dorsal gnathosomal setae 44, ventral setae 11, distance between ventral setae 15.

Idiosoma. Length 190, width 132 (Table 1). Prodorsal plate setae v_1 26, v_2 0, sc_1 m, sc_2 79, v_1 – v_1 distance 34. Plate C, setae c_1 24, c_2 22. Plate D, setae d 25, plate EF setae e 7, setae f 27. Plate H, setae h_1 70, h_2 7, h_1 – h_1 setae adjacent. Venter with apodemes 1, 2 moderately developed, extending to sternal apodeme medially. Coxal setae h_1 9, h_2 13, h_3 19 8.

Legs. Setation as in adult female. Ambulacra I each with two small claws (4), ambulacra II, III each with two larger claws (15). Femur I setae v'' 20, tibia I solenidion φ 10, setae k 6, tarsus I solenidion φ 9, setae ft' 0. Femora II, III setae d 7, 6. Tarsi II, III setae pl' 30 and 33, and pl'' 44 and 47, respectively.

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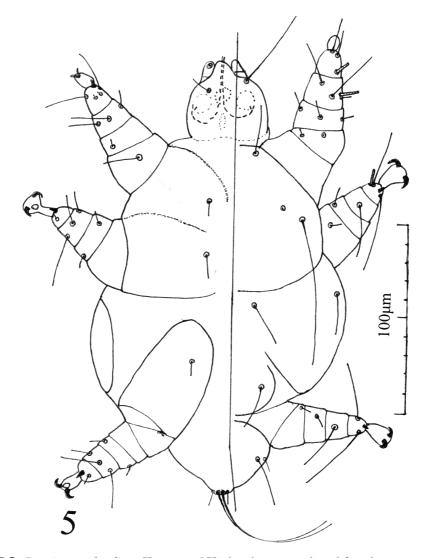


FIGURE 5. Dorsipes zeelandicae Kurosa and Husband, sp. nov., larval female.

Host. All of the mites from the host specimens examined were found on the basal portion of hind wings or abdominal dorsum under the elytra of two specimens of *Diplocheila (Isorembus) zeelandica* (Redtenbacher, 1867) (Coleoptera: Carabidae: Licinini) collected in two localities in Japan. In no case were *Dorsipes diplocheilae* and *D. zeelandicae* found in coexistence on a single host beetle.

Type material: Holotype, adult female (Kurosa No. 21740-2), from *Diplocheila zeelandica* (Redtenbacher) (Coleoptera: Carabidae), Yoshii-machi, Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan, 3 August 1957, N. Gyôtoku, leg., deposited in the National Museum of Nature and Science, Tokyo, Japan (NSMT). Paratypes, four adult females, one male and one larval female with the same data as the holotype; two adult females, Mt. Tomisan, Minami-Bôsô-shi, Chiba Pref., Japan, 31 December 1973, T. Okumura, leg. One adult female paratype is deposited in each of the following museums: NMNH, BGZM and UMMZ. The remaining paratypes are deposited in NSMT.

Etymology. The specific name *zeelandicae* refers to the specific name of the host beetle, *Diplocheila zeelandica*.

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TABLE 1. Comparison of selected maximum measurements for species of the *dorsipes* group of the genus *Dorsipes*: *D. diplocheilae* (*Ddi*), *D. zeelandicae* (*Dz*), *D. dorsipes* (*Ddo*), *D. carabi* (*Dc*), *D. limnocarabi* (*Dl*), *D. yezoensis* (*Dy*), *D. balli* (*Db*). All measurements are in micrometers.

Character	Ddi	Dz	Ddo	Dc	Dl	Dy	Db
<u> </u>		ADULT F			<u> </u>		
Idiosoma length	580	430	638	380	495	565	685
Idiosoma width	460	318	415	270	330	380	552
Gnathosoma width	54	68	82	79	68	76	110
Cheliceral stylets	92	100	80	62	88	68	95
Idiosomal setae							
ν ₁	35	37	5	3	10	5	m
c_1	37	68	80	28	26	90	35
c_2	25	72	50	26	16	70	40
d	30	65	57	25	14	78	25
e	13	5	17	18	6	24	14
f	35	65	80	25	26	100	29
Genu II setae l'	5	5	0	0	0	0	0
Genu III setae l'	5	5	0	0	0	0	0
Femur II setae d	5	5	5	3	m	8	5
Femur III setae d	5	5	7	4	m	7	5
Tarsus II solenidion ω	10	10	0	0	0	0	0
Tarsus III setae pl''	50	50	120	56	112	140	80
	I	ARVAL I	FEMALES	8			
Idiosoma length	340	190	298	-	242	288	360
Idiosoma width	250	132	210	-	158	186	315
Cheliceral stylets	53	61	66	-	63	55	88
Dorsal gnathosomal setae	50	44	34	-	29	39	45
Idiosomal setae							
v_1	28	26	m	-	7	2	3
$\overline{\mathrm{c}_2}$	30	22	13	-	6	25	12
$\frac{-}{d}$	29	25	14	-	8	15	11
e	17	7	13	-	4	7	7
f	29	27	17	-	15	15	18
Genu II setae <i>l'</i>	11	8	0	-	0	0	0
Genu III setae l'	10	7	0	-	0	0	0
Femur II setae d	7	7	5	-	m	6	3
Femur III setae d	9	6	5	-	m	4	3
Tarsus II solenidion ω	9	8	0	-	0	0	0
Tarsus III setae pl''	53	47	113	-	67	120	95
Distance h_1 - h_1	0	0	20	-	5	18	9
		MA	LES				
Idiosoma length	-	195	192	-	190	230	172
Idiosoma width	-	137	173	-	165	170	167
Cheliceral stylets	-	18	25	-	32	22	23
Dorsal gnathosomal setae	-	24	8	-	13	10	m
Ventral gnathosomal setae	-	10	9	-	8	5	7
Idiosomal setae sc ₂	-	60	49	-	100	47	5
Femur II, III setae d	_	m	m	_	m	m	m
Tarsus II solenidion ω	_	10	0	_	0	0	0
Tibia II setae v''	_	23	30	_	42	32	16
Tarsus III setae pl''	-	40	45	-	85	75	25
Aedeagus width	-	19	31	-	26	35	40

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Discussion

Regenfuss (1968) described the genus Dorsipes and placed seven species into three groups: dorsipes, inflatus and platysmae. With the addition of 12 species since 1968 and reexamination of characters of the original seven species, some of the eight apo- and plesiomorphic characters chosen by Regenfuss are no longer valid for all species in the three groups. Kurosa and Husband (2002) redescribed D. inflatus and D. notopus and noted that male D. inflatus and D. notopus have tarsus I solenidia ω and tibiae I solenidion φ . Femur III setae are not present in most species in the *inflatus* group (one exception) and are also not present in four of the seven species in the platysmae group. Setae e (setae lumbales externae) are consistently present in species in the dorsipes group and absent in all species of the *inflatus* and *platysmae* groups (Regenfuss 1968). Ambulacral claw I is "very small" (3-6) in all species in the platysmae group (Regenfuss 1968). Coxal setae 3a (setae presternales internae) are not present in all species in the inflatus group and D. dorsipes and D. carabi, in the dorsipes group (Regenfuss 1968). Setae 3a are present in D. limocarabi Husband and Kurosa 2002, D. balli Husband and Husband 2010 and in D. diplocheilae herein of the dorsipes group. The presence of tarsus II solenidia ω in D. diplocheilae and D. zeelandicae is in contrast to the pattern of no tarsus II solenidia in the inflatus group and dorsipes groups as described by Regenfuss (1968).

The most consistent characters for females of species in the *dorsipes* group are: presence of setae e on plate EF, elongate setae f (20–100) in contrast to shorter setae f (7–18) for all *Dorsipes* except e *D. tefflii* Husband from Africa, presence of femora II, III setae, long setae e (20–90) and e (25–78) (one exception) in contrast to setae e short (6–19), except e *D. tefflii* and e *D. nigeri* in the *platysmae* group. Adult females of e *D. diplocheilae* and e *D. zeelandicae* have longer setae e (123–37) in contrast to shorter setae e (m-18) for all other female *Dorsipes*. Female e *D. diplocheilae* have shorter setae e (13, e and e setae (27–37, mean value 31) and longer setae e (mean value 9.3) in contrast to lengths of setae e (21, e and e (37–72, mean value 57.2) and shorter setae e (5) in female e *D. zeelandicae*. Larval females mimic adult females in respect to lengths of setae e.

Key to groups of the genus Dorsipes, adult females

2.	Plate EF with setae $f(15-100)$ and $e(3-24)$, hosts Carabus and Diplocheila dorsipes group Tarsus II solenidion ω absent, host genus Amara inflatus group
-	With tarsus II solenidion ω , host genera; Agonum, Cyclotrachelus, Poecilus, Pterostichus, Tefflus
Ke	y to species in the <i>dorsipes</i> group, adult females
1.	Prodorsal setae v_1 (22–37), as long as width of base of tarsus I (16–25), tarsus II solenidion ω present (9), host $Diplocheila$
-	Prodorsal setae v_1 (m-10) shorter than width of base of tarsus I (15–28), tarsus II solenidion ω absent, host $Carabus$
2.	Setae c_1 and d 50–72, setae e shorter (5)
-	Setae c_1 and d 27–37, setae e longer (5–13)
3.	Setae v_1 shorter (m-3)
-	Setae v_1 longer (5–10)

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4. Cheliceral stylets (60–62) shorter than width of gnathosoma (79)........... *Dorsipes carabi* - Cheliceral stylets (77–96) nearly equal to width of gnathosoma (72–110)....... *Dorsipes balli*

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5.	Setae c_1 and d (45–70) longer than ventral gnathosomal setae (27–38)
-	Setae c_1 and d (7–16) shorter than ventral gnathosomal setae (28–37) Dorsipes limnocaraba
6.	Cheliceral stylets (73–80) equal to or longer than width of gnathosoma (75–82), claw I larger (25)
-	Cheliceral stylets (65–68) shorter than width of gnathosoma (72–76), claw I not as large (17) .
	Dorsines vezoensis

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