

## Karyomorphological observation on 14 species of subtribe Stanhopeinae, Orchidaceae\*

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### Abstract

Fourteen species of the subtribe Stanhopeinae, Orchidaceae, were karyomorphologically observed by aceto-orcein squash method. Chromosome numbers of 11 species in nine genera were revealed for the first time;  $2n=38$  for *Coeliopsis hyacinthosma* and *Gongora armeniaca*, and  $2n=40$  for *Acineta barkeri*, *Cirrhaea loddigesii*, *Kegeliella atropilosa*, *Paphinia grandiflora*, *Polycycnis barbata*, *Shlimia alpina*, *Stanhopea cirrhata*, *S. guttulata* and *S. pulla*. Karyotypes of all the 14 species were similar to each other; while chromosome features at resting stage and mitotic metaphase showed slight variations. From the above results, it was suggested that three genera of *Cirrhaea*, *Polycycnis* and *Schlimia* were not closely related among the members of subtribe Stanhopeinae.

### Introduction

Karyotype morphology of the living collection at Hiroshima Botanical Garden has been studied (Karasawa 1979, Hashimoto 1982, Sera & Karasawa 1984, Ishida 1990, 2001 Aoyama 1989, Hamatani 2011, etc.). These studies were carried out on Orchidaceae, Araceae, Gesneriaceae, Liliaceae and so on in order to contribute to plant science by revealing the relationship among species and accumulating the basic knowledge about plants.

In this study chromosomal observation has been made on 14 species of 10 genera of Stanhopeinae Benthams, one of a subtribe belonging to the tribe Maxillarieae of the Orchidaceae (Dressler 1993). Chromosomes of three species among the 14 examined here have been reported previously, so that the present survey increases our knowledge about plants as well as a series of studies held at the Hiroshima Botanical Garden.

### Material and methods

All the plants examined in this study were grown in cultivation at the Hiroshima Botanical Garden and listed in Table 1.

Chromosome counts and observation were made from the aceto-orcein squash method as same as those of Hamatani and Aoyama (2012). Karyotype morphology in the nuclei at resting and chromosome at mitotic prophase and metaphase were described and classified according to Levan *et al* (1964) and Tanaka (1971, 1980).

### Results

Chromosome numbers of the 14 species counted in this study were listed in Table 1 and their karyotypes were described as follows.

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Table 1. Chromosome numbers of 14 taxa of subtribe Stanhopeinae studied

Species	HBG* accession number	Chromosome numbers		References
		Present count (2n)	Previous count (2n)	
<i>Acineta</i>				
<i>barkeri</i> (Bateman) Lindl.	1404	40		
<i>superba</i> (Kunth) Rchb.f.	638	40	40,42	Daker & Jones
<i>Cirrhaea</i>				
<i>loddigesii</i> Lindl.	607	40		
<i>Coeliopsis</i>				
<i>hyacinthosma</i> Rchb.f.	647	38		
<i>Gongora</i>				
<i>armeniaca</i> (Lindl.) Rchb.f.	563	38		
<i>truncata</i> Lindl.	602	38	ca.38	Daker & Jones
<i>Kegeliella</i>				
<i>atropilosa</i> L.O.Williams & A.H.Heller	2699	40		
<i>Paphinia</i>				
<i>grandiflora</i> Barb.Rodr.	2220	40		
<i>Peristeria</i>				
<i>elata</i> Hook.	621	40	40	Daker & Jones
<i>Polycycnis</i>				
<i>barbata</i> (Lindl.) Rchb.f.	730	40		
<i>Schlimia</i>				
<i>trifida</i> Rchb.f.	2819	40		
<i>Stanhopea</i>				
<i>cirrhatta</i> Lindl.	2272	40		
<i>guttulata</i> Lindl.	604	40		
<i>pulla</i> Rchb.f.	668	40		

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***Acineta barkeri* (Bateman) Lindl., HBG1404, Table 1 and 2, Fig. 1.**

Chromosome number: 2n=40

Resting stage (Fig. 1A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 1B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 2, Fig. 1C and D): 2n=40 chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from 3.0µm to 1.3µm and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. Two satellite chromosomes (Nos. 39 and 40) had the nucleolus organizing region near the centromere as wide heterochromatic gap, which were similar to the description by Daker and Jones (1969) for *Stanhopea* spp.

***Acineta superba* (Kunth)Rchb., HBG638, Table 1 and 3, Fig. 2.**

Chromosome number: 2n=40

Resting stage (Fig. 2A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 2B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 3, Fig. 2C and D): 2n=40 chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from 2.7µm to 1.3µm and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. Two satellite chromosomes (Nos.35 and 36) were similar to those of *Acineta barkeri* described above.

***Cirrhaea loddigesii* Lindl., HBG607, Table 1 and 4, Fig. 3.**

Chromosome number: 2n=40

Resting stage (Fig. 3A): simple chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 3B): intermediate between proximal type and interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 4, Fig. 3C and D):  $2n=40$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $2.4\mu\text{m}$  to  $1.2\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. Two satellite chromosomes (Nos. 39 and 40) were similar to those of *Acineta barkeri*.

***Coeliopsis hyacinthosma* Rchb.f., HBG647, Table 1 and 5, Fig. 4.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=38$

Resting stage (Fig. 4A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 4B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 5, Fig. 4C and D):  $2n=38$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $2.3\mu\text{m}$  to  $0.6\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. The centromere was not observed in three chromosomes (Nos. 36, 37 and 38).

***Gongora armeniaca* Rchb.f., HBG563, Table 1 and 6, Fig. 5.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=38$

Resting stage (Fig. 5A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 5B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 6, Fig. 5C and D):  $2n=38$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $2.9\mu\text{m}$  to  $1.4\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. The satellite chromosome (Nos. 30) was similar to those of *Acineta barkeri*.

***Gongora truncata* Lindl., HBG602, Table 1 and 7, Fig. 6.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=38$

Resting stage (Fig. 6A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 6B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 7, Fig. 6C and D):  $2n=38$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $2.5\mu\text{m}$  to  $1.1\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. Two satellite chromosomes (Nos. 31 and 32) were similar to those of *Acineta barkeri*.

***Kegeliella atropilosa* L.O. Williams, HBG2699, Table 1 and 8, Fig. 7.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=40$

Resting stage (Fig. 7A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 7B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 8, Fig. 7C and D):  $2n=40$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $4.0\mu\text{m}$  to  $1.4\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. Two satellite chromosomes (Nos. 23 and 24) were similar to those of *Acineta barkeri*.

***Paphinia grandiflora* Barb. Rodrig., HBG2220, Table 1 and 9, Fig. 8.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=40$

Resting stage (Fig. 8A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 8B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 9, Fig. 8C and D):  $2n=40$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $2.5\mu\text{m}$  to  $1.2\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. The centromere was not observed in a chromosome (Nos. 26).

***Peristeria elata* Hook. , HBG621, Table 1 and 10, Fig. 9.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=40$

Resting stage (Fig. 9A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 9B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 10, Fig. 9C and D):  $2n=38$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $2.9\mu\text{m}$  to  $1.2\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form.

***Polycynis barbata* (Lindl.) Rchb.f., HBG730, Table 1 and 11, Fig. 10.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=40$

Resting stage (Fig. 10A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 10B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 11, Fig. 10C and D):  $2n=40$  chromosome complement formed a bimodality in the chromosome alignment in length with a group of chromosomes (Nos. 1-36) ranging from  $2.2-1.0\mu\text{m}$  and with the other group of chromosomes (Nos. 37-40) ranging from  $0.5-0.4\mu\text{m}$ . The centromere was not observed in five chromosomes (Nos. 36-40), though the complement exhibited a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form.

***Schlimia trifida* Rchb.f., HBG2819, Table 1 and 12, Fig. 11.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=40$

Resting stage (Fig. 11A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 11B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 12, Fig. 11C and D):  $2n=40$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $2.5\mu\text{m}$  to  $1.0\mu\text{m}$  and an intermediate karyotype between the symmetric and asymmetric karyotypes with respect to their form. *Schlimia trifida* had eight subterminal chromosomes (Nos. 4-8 and 21-23) which were not found in other species. Thus, the karyotype of this species was clearly different from those of other species. Two satellite chromosomes (Nos. 37 and 38) were similar to those of *Acineta barkeri*.

***Stanhopea cirrhata* Lindl. HBG2272, Table 1 and 13, Fig. 12.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=40$

Resting stage (Fig. 12A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 12B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 13, Fig. 12C and D):  $2n=40$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $1.4\mu\text{m}$  to  $0.7\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. The centromere was not observed in 13 chromosomes (Nos. 10, 20, 23 and 31-40).

***Stanhopea guttulata* Lindl. HBG604, Table 1 and 14, Fig. 13.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=40$

Resting stage (Fig. 13A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 13B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 14, Fig. 13C and D):  $2n=40$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $2.3\mu\text{m}$  to  $0.8\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. Two satellite chromosomes (Nos. 5 and 6) were similar to those of *Acineta barkeri*.

***Stanhopea pulla* Rchb.f. HBG668, Table 1 and 15, Fig. 14.**

Chromosome number:  $2n=40$

Resting stage (Fig. 14A): complex chromocenter type

Mitotic prophase (Fig. 14B): interstitial type

Mitotic metaphase (Table 15, Fig. 14C and D):  $2n=40$  chromosome complement exhibited a gradual decrease in length from  $1.5\mu\text{m}$  to  $0.8\mu\text{m}$  and a symmetric karyotype with respect to their form. The centromere was not observed in 17 chromosomes (Nos. 10, 13, 14, 19, 20, 23, 26-28, and 33-40).

### Discussion and conclusion

Chromosome numbers of 11 species;  $2n=38$  in *Coeliopsis hyacinthosma* and *Gongora armeniaca*,  $2n=40$  in *Acineta barkeri*, *Cirrhaea loddigesii*, *Kegeliella atropilosa*, *Paphinia grandiflora*, *Polycycnis barbata*, *Schlimia trifida*, *Stanhopea cirrhata*, *S. guttulata* and *S. pulla* were revealed in this observation for the first time. Chromosome numbers of  $2n=40$  and  $42$  in *Acineta superba* and  $2n=\text{ca.}38$  in *Gongora truncata* reported by Daker and Jones (1969) were verified to  $2n=40$  and  $2n=38$ , respectively. Thus, the subtribe Stanhopeinae included two different chromosome numbers of  $2n=38$  (three species in two genera) and  $2n=40$  (11 species in eight genera).

The chromosome complements of most species studied showed commonly the complex chromocenter type at resting stage, the interstitial type of chromatin condensation at mitotic prophase and the gradual and the symmetric karyotypes at mitotic metaphase. In contrast, that of *Cirrhaea loddegesii* showed the simple chromocenter type at resting stage and the intermediate type between the proximal type and the interstitial type at mitotic prophase, that of *Polycycnis barbata* showed the bimodal karyotype including four small chromosomes, and that of *Schlimia trifida* showed the intermediate karyotype between the symmetric and the asymmetric karyotypes with respect of eight subterminal chromosomes. Satellite chromosome was observed in eight species of six genera. This is characterized by wide heterochromatic region near the centromere and somewhat difficult to be recognized as mentioned by Daker and Jones (1969), so it may have been missed in some species examined in this study.

Chromosome morphologies through mitotic cycle were varied among 14 taxa and it was suggested karyomorphologically that three genera of *Cirrhaea*, *Polycycnis* and *Schlimia* may not be closely related among the members of the subtribe Stanhopeinae.

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## ラン科スタンホペア亜族14種における染色体観察

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### 要 約

ラン科, マクシラリア族のスタンホペア亜族に属する 10 属 14 種において, アセトオルセイン押しつぶし法による染色体の観察を行った. その結果, 9 属 11 種の染色体数を初めて明らかにし, 3 属 3 種の染色体数については, 以前の報告を確認した. 14 種の核型は互いによく似ていたが, 静止期核ではキルハエア属が, 体細胞分裂中期ではポリキクニス属とスクリミア属が他の属とは異なる型を示した. 従って, これら 3 属がスタンホペア亜族の他の属と, 核形態学的に類縁関係が遠い可能性のあることが示唆された.

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Table 3. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Acineta superba*, HBG638, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.1+1.6=2.7	3.2	1.45	m
2	1.1+1.5=2.6	3.1	1.36	m
3	1.2+1.4=2.6	3.1	1.17	m
4	1.2+1.4=2.6	3.1	1.17	m
5	1.1+1.5=2.6	3.1	1.36	m
6	1.2+1.4=2.6	3.1	1.17	m
7	0.9+1.6=2.5	3.0	1.78	sm
8	0.9+1.6=2.5	3.0	1.78	sm
9	1.0+1.5=2.5	3.0	1.50	m
10	1.1+1.4=2.5	3.0	1.27	m
11	1.1+1.4=2.5	3.0	1.27	m
12	1.2+1.3=2.5	3.0	1.08	m
13	1.1+1.3=2.4	2.9	1.18	m
14	1.1+1.3=2.4	2.9	1.18	m
15	1.1+1.2=2.3	2.7	1.09	m
16	1.0+1.3=2.3	2.7	1.30	m
17	1.0+1.2=2.2	2.6	1.20	m
18	0.9+1.3=2.2	2.6	1.44	m
19	1.0+1.1=2.1	2.5	1.10	m
20	1.0+1.1=2.1	2.5	1.10	m
21	0.9+1.2=2.1	2.5	1.33	m
22	0.9+1.1=2.0	2.4	1.22	m
23	0.7+1.3=2.0	2.4	1.86	sm
24	0.7+1.3=2.0	2.4	1.86	sm
25	0.9+1.1=2.0	2.4	1.22	m
26	0.9+1.1=2.0	2.4	1.22	m
27	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.3	1.38	m
28	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.1	1.25	m
29	0.9+0.9=1.8	2.1	1.00	M
30	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.1	1.25	m
31	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.1	1.25	m
32	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.1	1.25	m
33	0.7+1.1=1.8	2.1	1.57	m
34	0.7+1.0=1.7	2.0	1.43	m
35*	0.7+0.9=1.6	1.9	1.29	m
36*	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.7	1.33	m
37	0.6+0.9=1.5	1.8	1.50	m
38	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.7	1.33	m
39	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.8	1.33	m
40	0.6+0.7=1.3	1.7	1.33	m

\* Satellite chromosome (chromosome with wide heterochromatic region).

Table 2. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Acineta barkeri*, HBG1404, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.4+1.6=3.0	3.6	1.14	m
2	1.3+1.7=3.0	3.6	1.31	m
3	1.3+1.6=2.9	3.5	1.23	m
4	1.3+1.5=2.8	3.4	1.15	m
5	1.2+1.4=2.6	3.2	1.17	m
6	1.1+1.5=2.6	3.2	1.36	m
7	1.1+1.4=2.5	3.0	1.27	m
8	1.1+1.4=2.5	3.0	1.27	m
9	1.1+1.3=2.4	2.9	1.18	m
10	1.2+1.2=2.4	2.9	1.00	M
11	1.2+1.2=2.4	2.9	1.00	M
12	1.0+1.3=2.3	2.8	1.30	m
13	0.8+1.5=2.3	2.8	1.88	sm
14	0.8+1.5=2.3	2.8	1.88	sm
15	1.1+1.2=2.3	2.8	1.09	m
16	1.0+1.2=2.2	2.7	1.20	m
17	1.0+1.1=2.1	2.6	1.10	m
18	1.0+1.1=2.1	2.6	1.10	m
19	0.7+1.4=2.1	2.6	2.00	sm
20	0.7+1.4=2.1	2.6	2.00	sm
21	0.9+1.1=2.0	2.4	1.22	m
22	0.9+1.1=2.0	2.4	1.22	m
23	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.3	1.38	m
24	0.9+1.0=1.9	2.3	1.11	m
25	0.7+1.2=1.9	2.3	1.71	sm
26	0.5+1.3=1.8	2.2	2.60	sm
27	0.7+1.1=1.8	2.2	1.57	m
28	0.7+1.1=1.8	2.2	1.57	m
29	0.8+0.9=1.7	2.1	1.13	m
30	0.7+1.0=1.7	2.1	1.43	m
31	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.1	1.83	sm
32	0.8+0.9=1.7	2.1	1.13	m
33	0.8+0.8=1.6	1.9	1.00	M
34	0.8+0.8=1.6	1.9	1.00	M
35	0.7+0.8=1.5	1.8	1.14	m
36	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.7	1.33	m
37	0.4+1.0=1.4	1.7	2.50	sm
38	0.4+0.9=1.3	1.6	2.25	sm
39*	0.4+1.0=1.4	1.7	2.50	sm
40*	0.4+0.9=1.3	1.6	2.25	sm

\* Satellite chromosome (chromosome with wide heterochromatic region).

Table 4. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Cirrhaea loddigesii*, HBG607, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.1+1.3=2.4	3.3	1.18	m
2	1.0+1.4=2.4	3.3	1.40	m
3	1.0+1.3=2.3	3.1	1.30	m
4	1.0+1.3=2.3	3.1	1.30	m
5	1.1+1.1=2.2	3.0	1.00	M
6	1.0+1.2=2.2	3.0	1.20	m
7	1.0+1.2=2.2	3.0	1.20	m
8	0.9+1.3=2.2	3.0	1.44	m
9	0.8+1.4=2.2	3.0	1.75	sm
10	0.8+1.4=2.2	3.0	1.75	sm
11	0.7+1.4=2.1	2.9	2.00	sm
12	0.7+1.4=2.1	2.9	2.00	sm
13	1.0+1.1=2.1	2.9	1.10	m
14	1.0+1.1=2.1	2.9	1.10	m
15	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.6	1.38	m
16	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.6	1.38	m
17	0.7+1.2=1.9	2.6	1.71	sm
18	0.7+1.2=1.9	2.6	1.71	sm
19	0.9+0.9=1.8	2.5	1.00	M
20	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.5	1.25	m
21	0.8+0.9=1.7	2.3	1.13	m
22	0.8+0.9=1.7	2.3	1.13	m
23	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
24	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
25	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
26	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
27	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
28	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
29	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
30	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
31	0.5+1.1=1.6	2.2	2.20	sm
32	0.5+1.1=1.6	2.2	2.20	sm
33	0.5+1.0=1.5	2.0	2.00	sm
34	0.5+1.0=1.5	2.0	2.00	sm
35	0.5+0.9=1.4	1.9	1.80	sm
36	0.5+0.9=1.4	1.9	1.80	sm
37	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.9	1.33	m
38	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.9	1.33	m
39*	0.4+0.8=1.2	1.6	2.00	sm
40*	0.4+0.8=1.2	1.6	2.00	sm

\* Satellite chromosome (chromosome with wide heterochromatic region).

Table 5. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Coelopsis hyacinthosma*, HBG647, 2n=38

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.0+1.3=2.3	3.7	1.30	m
2	1.0+1.2=2.2	3.5	1.20	m
3	0.7+1.5=2.2	3.5	2.14	sm
4	0.7+1.5=2.2	3.5	2.14	sm
5	1.0+1.1=2.1	3.3	1.10	m
6	0.8+1.3=2.1	3.3	1.63	m
7	0.7+1.4=2.1	3.3	2.00	sm
8	0.7+1.3=2.0	3.2	1.86	sm
9	0.6+1.4=2.0	3.2	2.33	sm
10	0.6+1.4=2.0	3.2	2.33	sm
11	0.8+1.1=1.9	3.0	1.38	m
12	0.8+1.1=1.9	3.0	1.38	m
13	0.8+1.1=1.9	3.0	1.38	m
14	0.7+1.2=1.9	3.0	1.71	sm
15	0.6+1.3=1.9	3.0	2.17	sm
16	0.6+1.2=1.8	2.9	2.00	sm
17	0.6+1.2=1.8	2.9	2.00	sm
18	0.6+1.2=1.8	2.9	2.00	sm
19	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.9	1.25	m
20	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.9	1.25	m
21	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.7	1.83	sm
22	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.7	1.83	sm
23	0.8+0.8=1.6	2.5	1.00	M
24	0.6+1.0=1.6	2.5	1.67	m
25	0.5+1.0=1.5	2.4	2.00	sm
26	0.5+1.0=1.5	2.4	2.00	sm
27	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
28	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
29	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
30	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
31	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.1	1.60	m
32	0.4+0.8=1.2	1.9	2.00	sm
33	0.5+0.7=1.2	1.9	1.40	m
34	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.7	1.20	m
35	0.4+0.7=1.1	1.7	1.75	sm
36*	0.9	1.4		
37*	0.7	1.1		
38*	0.6	1.0		

\* The centromere was not observed.



Table 7. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Gongora truncata*, HBG602, 2n=38

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.1+1.4=2.5	3.9	1.27	m
2	1.2+1.2=2.4	3.7	1.00	M
3	0.9+1.6=2.5	3.9	1.78	sm
4	0.9+1.6=2.5	3.9	1.78	sm
5	0.7+1.6=2.3	3.6	2.29	sm
6	0.7+1.6=2.3	3.6	2.29	sm
7	1.0+1.2=2.2	3.4	1.20	m
8	1.0+1.2=2.2	3.4	1.20	m
9	0.7+1.3=2.0	3.1	1.86	sm
10	0.7+1.3=2.0	3.1	1.86	sm
11	0.9+1.1=2.0	3.1	1.22	m
12	0.9+1.1=2.0	3.1	1.22	m
13	0.9+1.1=2.0	3.1	1.22	m
14	0.8+1.2=2.0	3.1	1.50	m
15	0.8+1.2=2.0	3.1	1.50	m
16	0.8+1.1=1.9	3.0	1.38	m
17	0.6+1.0=1.6	2.5	1.67	m
18	0.6+1.0=1.6	2.5	1.67	m
19	0.7+1.0=1.7	2.6	1.43	m
20	0.7+1.0=1.7	2.6	1.43	m
21	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
22	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
23	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
24	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
25	0.4+1.0=1.4	2.2	2.50	sm
26	0.4+1.0=1.4	2.2	2.50	sm
27	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
28	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.2	1.33	m
29	0.6+0.6=1.2	1.9	1.00	M
30	0.6+0.6=1.2	1.9	1.00	M
31*	0.6+0.6=1.2	1.9	1.00	M
32*	0.6+0.6=1.2	1.9	1.00	M
33	0.3+0.9=1.2	1.9	3.00	sm
34	0.3+0.9=1.2	1.9	3.00	sm
35	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.7	1.20	m
36	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.7	1.20	m
37	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.7	1.20	m
38	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.7	1.20	m

\* Satellite chromosome (chromosome with wide heterochromatic region).

Table 6. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Gongora armeniaca*, HBG563, 2n=38

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.2+1.7=2.9	3.7	1.42	m
2	1.2+1.7=2.9	3.7	1.42	m
3	1.1+1.6=2.7	3.4	1.45	m
4	1.0+1.7=2.7	3.4	1.70	m
5	1.1+1.5=2.6	3.3	1.36	m
6	1.2+1.4=2.6	3.3	1.17	m
7	0.8+1.8=2.6	3.3	2.25	sm
8	0.9+1.7=2.6	3.3	1.89	sm
9	1.1+1.4=2.5	3.2	1.27	m
10	1.2+1.2=2.4	3.0	1.00	M
11	0.8+1.5=2.3	2.9	1.88	sm
12	0.8+1.5=2.3	2.9	1.88	sm
13	1.1+1.2=2.3	2.9	1.09	m
14	1.1+1.2=2.3	2.9	1.09	m
15	0.8+1.5=2.3	2.9	1.88	sm
16	0.8+1.4=2.2	2.8	1.75	sm
17	0.9+1.2=2.1	2.7	1.33	m
18	0.9+1.2=2.1	2.7	1.33	m
19	0.7+1.3=2.0	2.5	1.86	sm
20	0.7+1.4=2.1	2.7	2.00	sm
21	0.7+1.3=2.0	2.5	1.86	sm
22	0.7+1.3=2.0	2.5	1.86	sm
23	0.8+1.2=2.0	2.5	1.50	m
24	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.4	1.38	m
25	0.7+1.2=1.9	2.4	1.71	sm
26	0.7+1.2=1.9	2.4	1.71	sm
27	0.7+1.2=1.9	2.4	1.71	sm
28	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.2	1.83	sm
29	0.8+0.8=1.6	2.0	1.00	M
30*	0.8+0.8=1.6	2.0	1.00	M
31	0.8+0.8=1.6	2.0	1.00	M
32	0.7+0.9=1.6	2.0	1.29	m
33	0.7+0.8=1.5	1.9	1.14	m
34	0.6+0.9=1.5	1.9	1.50	m
35	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.8	1.33	m
36	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.8	1.33	m
37	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.8	1.33	m
38	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.8	1.33	m

\* Satellite chromosome (chromosome with wide heterochromatic region).

Table 8. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Kegeliella atropilosa*, HBG2699, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.9+2.1=4.0	4.4	1.11	m
2	1.6+1.7=3.3	3.6	1.06	m
3	1.1+2.1=3.2	3.5	1.91	sm
4	1.0+2.1=3.1	3.4	2.10	sm
5	1.5+1.6=3.1	3.4	1.07	m
6	1.2+1.8=3.0	3.3	1.50	m
7	1.2+1.7=2.9	3.2	1.42	m
8	1.3+1.4=2.7	3.0	1.08	m
9	0.7+2.0=2.7	3.0	2.86	sm
10	0.9+1.7=2.6	2.9	1.89	sm
11	0.8+1.8=2.6	2.9	2.25	sm
12	0.8+1.8=2.6	2.9	2.25	sm
13	1.2+1.3=2.5	2.8	1.08	m
14	1.1+1.4=2.5	2.8	1.27	m
15	1.1+1.3=2.4	2.6	1.18	m
16	1.1+1.3=2.4	2.6	1.18	m
17	0.8+1.5=2.3	2.5	1.88	sm
18	0.6+1.6=2.2	2.4	2.67	sm
19	0.6+1.6=2.2	2.4	2.67	sm
20	0.6+1.6=2.2	2.4	2.67	sm
21	1.0+1.2=2.2	2.4	1.20	m
22	1.0+1.2=2.2	2.4	1.20	m
23*	0.8+1.4=2.2	2.4	1.75	sm
24*	0.7+1.5=2.2	2.4	2.14	sm
25	0.8+1.3=2.1	2.3	1.63	m
26	0.8+1.3=2.1	2.3	1.63	m
27	0.8+1.2=2.0	2.2	1.50	m
28	0.8+1.3=2.1	2.3	1.63	m
29	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.0	1.25	m
30	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.0	1.25	m
31	0.7+1.0=1.7	1.9	1.43	m
32	0.8+0.9=1.7	1.9	1.13	m
33	0.8+0.9=1.7	1.9	1.13	m
34	0.7+1.0=1.7	1.9	1.43	m
35	0.7+0.9=1.6	1.8	1.29	m
36	0.7+0.8=1.5	1.7	1.14	m
37	0.6+0.9=1.5	1.7	1.50	m
38	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.5	1.33	m
39	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.5	1.33	m
40	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.5	1.33	m

\* Satellite chromosome (chromosome with wide heterochromatic region).

Table 9. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Paphinia grandiflora*, HBG2220, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.0+1.5=2.5	3.5	1.50	m
2	1.0+1.5=2.5	3.5	1.50	m
3	0.8+1.7=2.5	3.5	2.13	sm
4	0.8+1.6=2.4	3.3	2.00	sm
5	0.6+1.7=2.3	3.2	2.83	sm
6	0.5+1.8=2.3	3.2	3.60	t
7	0.9+1.3=2.2	3.1	1.44	m
8	0.9+1.3=2.2	3.1	1.44	m
9	0.9+1.2=2.1	2.9	1.33	m
10	0.9+1.2=2.1	2.9	1.33	m
11	0.6+1.5=2.1	2.9	2.50	sm
12	0.6+1.4=2.0	2.8	2.33	sm
13	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.6	1.38	m
14	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.6	1.38	m
15	0.6+1.3=1.9	2.6	2.17	sm
16	0.6+1.3=1.9	2.6	2.17	sm
17	0.6+1.3=1.9	2.6	2.17	sm
18	0.6+1.3=1.9	2.6	2.17	sm
19	0.7+1.2=1.9	2.6	1.71	sm
20	0.5+1.3=1.8	2.5	2.60	sm
21	0.5+1.3=1.8	2.5	2.60	sm
22	0.5+1.3=1.8	2.5	2.60	sm
23	0.7+1.1=1.8	2.5	1.57	m
24	0.7+1.1=1.8	2.5	1.57	m
25	0.5+1.2=1.7	2.4	2.40	sm
26*	1.6	2.2		
27	0.7+0.9=1.6	2.2	1.29	m
28	0.6+1.0=1.6	2.2	1.67	m
29	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.1	1.50	m
30	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.1	1.50	m
31	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.1	1.50	m
32	0.7+0.7=1.4	1.9	1.00	M
33	0.5+0.8=1.3	1.8	1.60	m
34	0.6+0.7=1.3	1.8	1.17	m
35	0.6+0.7=1.3	1.8	1.17	m
36	0.6+0.7=1.3	1.8	1.17	m
37	0.4+0.8=1.2	1.7	2.00	sm
38	0.4+0.8=1.2	1.7	2.00	sm
39	0.6+0.6=1.2	1.7	1.00	M
40	0.5+0.7=1.2	1.7	1.40	m

\* The centromere was not observed.

Table 11. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Polycycnis barbata*, HBG730, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.0+1.2=2.2	3.9	1.20	m
2	0.9+1.2=2.1	3.7	1.33	m
3	0.9+1.1=2.0	3.6	1.22	m
4	0.7+1.2=1.9	3.4	1.71	sm
5	0.7+1.2=1.9	3.4	1.71	sm
6	0.8+1.0=1.8	3.2	1.25	m
7	0.8+0.9=1.7	3.0	1.13	m
8	0.8+0.9=1.7	3.0	1.13	m
9	0.8+0.9=1.7	3.0	1.13	m
10	0.8+0.9=1.7	3.0	1.13	m
11	0.8+0.9=1.7	3.0	1.13	m
12	0.7+1.0=1.7	3.0	1.43	m
13	0.6+1.1=1.7	3.0	1.83	sm
14	0.6+1.1=1.7	3.0	1.83	sm
15	0.7+0.9=1.6	2.8	1.29	m
16	0.6+1.0=1.6	2.8	1.67	m
17	0.7+0.8=1.5	2.7	1.14	m
18	0.7+0.8=1.5	2.7	1.14	m
19	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.7	1.50	m
20	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.7	1.50	m
21	0.5+0.9=1.4	2.5	1.80	sm
22	0.5+0.9=1.4	2.5	1.80	sm
23	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.3	1.60	m
24	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.3	1.60	m
25	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.3	1.60	m
26	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.3	1.60	m
27	0.6+0.7=1.3	2.3	1.17	m
28	0.6+0.7=1.3	2.3	1.17	m
29	0.6+0.7=1.3	2.3	1.17	m
30	0.6+0.6=1.2	2.1	1.00	M
31	0.6+0.6=1.2	2.1	1.00	M
32	0.5+0.7=1.2	2.1	1.40	m
33	0.5+0.5=1.0	1.8	1.00	M
34	0.5+0.5=1.0	1.8	1.00	M
35	0.4+0.6=1.0	1.8	1.50	m
36*	1.0	1.8		
37*	0.5	0.9		
38*	0.5	0.9		
39*	0.4	0.7		
40*	0.4	0.7		

\* The centromere was not observed.

Table 10. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Peristeria elata*, HBG621, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length(µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.3+1.6=2.9	3.8	1.23	m
2	1.2+1.6=2.8	3.7	1.33	m
3	1.0+1.4=2.4	3.2	1.40	m
4	1.0+1.3=2.3	3.1	1.30	m
5	1.1+1.2=2.3	3.1	1.09	m
6	1.0+1.3=2.3	3.1	1.30	m
7	0.9+1.4=2.3	3.1	1.56	m
8	0.9+1.4=2.3	3.1	1.56	m
9	0.8+1.4=2.2	2.9	1.75	sm
10	0.8+1.4=2.2	2.9	1.75	sm
11	0.9+1.2=2.1	2.8	1.33	m
12	0.8+1.3=2.1	2.8	1.63	m
13	0.7+1.4=2.1	2.8	2.00	sm
14	0.7+1.4=2.1	2.8	2.00	sm
15	0.9+1.1=2.0	2.7	1.22	m
16	0.9+1.1=2.0	2.7	1.22	m
17	0.9+1.1=2.0	2.7	1.22	m
18	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.5	1.38	m
19	0.8+1.1=1.9	2.5	1.38	m
20	0.9+1.0=1.9	2.5	1.11	m
21	0.6+1.3=1.9	2.5	2.17	sm
22	0.6+1.3=1.9	2.5	2.17	sm
23	0.6+1.2=1.8	2.4	2.00	sm
24	0.6+1.2=1.8	2.4	2.00	sm
25	0.7+1.1=1.8	2.4	1.57	m
26	0.7+1.1=1.8	2.4	1.57	m
27	0.8+1.0=1.8	2.4	1.25	m
28	0.7+1.1=1.8	2.4	1.57	m
29	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.3	1.83	sm
30	0.6+1.0=1.6	2.1	1.67	m
31	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.0	1.50	m
32	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.0	1.50	m
33	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.9	1.33	m
34	0.6+0.8=1.4	1.9	1.33	m
35	0.5+0.9=1.4	1.9	1.80	sm
36	0.5+0.9=1.4	1.9	1.80	sm
37	0.6+0.6=1.2	1.6	1.00	M
38	0.5+0.7=1.2	1.6	1.40	m
39	0.5+0.7=1.2	1.6	1.40	m
40	0.5+0.7=1.2	1.6	1.40	m

Table 12. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Schlimia trifida*, HBG2819, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	0.8+1.7=2.5	3.6	2.13	sm
2	0.8+1.7=2.5	3.6	2.13	sm
3	0.7+1.8=2.5	3.6	2.57	sm
4	0.6+1.9=2.5	3.6	3.17	st
5	0.6+1.9=2.5	3.6	3.17	st
6	0.6+1.9=2.5	3.6	3.17	st
7	0.5+1.7=2.2	3.2	3.40	st
8	0.5+1.7=2.2	3.2	3.40	st
9	0.6+1.4=2.0	2.9	2.33	sm
10	0.6+1.3=1.9	2.8	2.17	sm
11	0.5+1.4=1.9	2.8	2.80	sm
12	0.5+1.4=1.9	2.8	2.80	sm
13	0.5+1.3=1.8	2.6	2.60	sm
14	0.5+1.3=1.8	2.6	2.60	sm
15	0.7+1.0=1.7	2.5	1.43	m
16	0.7+1.0=1.7	2.5	1.43	m
17	0.5+1.2=1.7	2.5	2.40	sm
18	0.5+1.2=1.7	2.5	2.40	sm
19	0.5+1.2=1.7	2.5	2.40	sm
20	0.5+1.2=1.7	2.5	2.40	sm
21	0.4+1.3=1.7	2.5	3.25	st
22	0.4+1.3=1.7	2.5	3.25	st
23	0.4+1.3=1.7	2.5	3.25	st
24	0.4+1.2=1.6	2.3	3.00	sm
25	0.6+1.0=1.6	2.3	1.67	m
26	0.6+1.0=1.6	2.3	1.67	m
27	0.7+0.8=1.5	2.2	1.14	m
28	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.2	1.50	m
29	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.2	1.50	m
30	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.2	1.50	m
31	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.0	1.33	m
32	0.5+0.9=1.4	2.0	1.80	sm
33	0.5+0.8=1.3	1.9	1.60	m
34	0.5+0.7=1.2	1.7	1.40	m
35	0.5+0.7=1.2	1.7	1.40	m
36	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.6	1.20	m
37*	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.6	1.20	m
38*	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.6	1.20	m
39	0.4+0.6=1.0	1.5	1.50	m
40	0.4+0.6=1.0	1.5	1.50	m

\* Satellite chromosome (chromosome with wide heterochromatic region).

Table 13. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Stanhopea cirrhata*, HBG2272, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	0.7+0.7=1.4	3.4	1.00	M
2	0.7+0.7=1.4	3.4	1.00	M
3	0.6+0.8=1.4	3.4	1.33	m
4	0.6+0.8=1.4	3.4	1.33	m
5	0.5+0.9=1.4	3.4	1.80	sm
6	0.5+0.8=1.3	3.2	1.60	m
7	0.5+0.8=1.3	3.2	1.60	m
8	0.4+0.8=1.2	2.9	2.00	sm
9	0.4+0.8=1.2	2.9	2.00	sm
10*	1.2	2.9		
11	0.5+0.6=1.1	2.7	1.20	m
12	0.4+0.7=1.1	2.7	1.75	sm
13	0.4+0.7=1.1	2.7	1.75	sm
14	0.4+0.7=1.1	2.7	1.75	sm
15	0.4+0.6=1.0	2.5	1.50	m
16	0.4+0.6=1.0	2.5	1.50	m
17	0.3+0.7=1.0	2.5	2.33	sm
18	0.5+0.5=1.0	2.5	1.00	M
19	0.4+0.6=1.0	2.5	1.50	m
20*	1.0	2.5		
21	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
22	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
23*	0.9	2.2		
24	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
25	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
26	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
27	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
28	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
29	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
30	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.2	1.25	m
31*	0.9	2.2		
32*	0.9	2.2		
33*	0.9	2.2		
34*	0.9	2.2		
35*	0.8	2.0		
36*	0.8	2.0		
37*	0.8	2.0		
38*	0.8	2.0		
39*	0.7	1.7		
40*	0.7	1.7		

\* The centromere was not observed.

Table 15. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Stanhopea pulla*, HBG668, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	0.6+0.9=1.5	3.4	1.50	m
2	0.7+0.8=1.5	3.4	1.14	m
3	0.6+0.8=1.4	3.2	1.33	m
4	0.6+0.8=1.4	3.2	1.33	m
5	0.6+0.7=1.3	3.0	1.17	m
6	0.6+0.7=1.3	3.0	1.17	m
7	0.5+0.8=1.3	3.0	1.60	m
8	0.5+0.8=1.3	3.0	1.60	m
9	0.5+0.8=1.3	3.0	1.60	m
10*	1.3	3.0		
11	0.4+0.9=1.3	3.0	2.25	sm
12	0.4+0.9=1.3	3.0	2.25	sm
13*	1.2	2.7		
14*	1.2	2.7		
15	0.5+0.7=1.2	2.7	1.40	m
16	0.5+0.7=1.2	2.7	1.40	m
17	0.5+0.6=1.1	2.5	1.20	m
18	0.5+0.6=1.1	2.5	1.20	m
19*	1.1	2.5		
20*	1.1	2.5		
21	0.5+0.6=1.1	2.5	1.20	m
22	0.5+0.6=1.1	2.5	1.20	m
23*	1.1	2.5		
24	0.5+0.5=1.0	2.3	1.00	M
25	0.4+0.6=1.0	2.3	1.50	m
26*	1.0	2.3		
27*	1.0	2.3		
28*	1.0	2.3		
29	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.0	1.25	m
30	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.0	1.25	m
31	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.0	1.25	m
32	0.4+0.5=0.9	2.0	1.25	m
33*	0.9	2.0		
34*	0.9	2.0		
35*	0.9	2.0		
36*	0.8	1.8		
37*	0.8	1.8		
38*	0.8	1.8		
39*	0.8	1.8		
40*	0.8	1.8		

\* The centromere was not observed.

Table 14. Measurements of somatic chromosomes at mitotic metaphase in *Stanhopea guttulata*, HBG604, 2n=40

Chromosome	Length (µm)	Relative length	Arm ratio	Form
1	1.0+1.3=2.3	3.9	1.30	m
2	0.8+1.5=2.3	3.9	1.88	sm
3	0.9+1.2=2.1	3.5	1.33	m
4	0.8+1.2=2.0	3.4	1.50	m
5*	0.6+1.4=2.0	3.4	2.33	sm
6*	0.6+1.4=2.0	3.4	2.33	sm
7	0.9+1.0=1.9	3.2	1.11	m
8	0.9+1.0=1.9	3.2	1.11	m
9	0.8+0.9=1.7	2.9	1.13	m
10	0.8+0.9=1.7	2.9	1.13	m
11	0.6+1.1=1.7	2.9	1.83	sm
12	0.7+1.0=1.7	2.9	1.43	m
13	0.7+0.9=1.6	2.7	1.29	m
14	0.7+0.9=1.6	2.7	1.29	m
15	0.7+0.9=1.6	2.7	1.29	m
16	0.7+0.8=1.5	2.5	1.14	m
17	0.7+0.8=1.5	2.5	1.14	m
18	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.5	1.50	m
19	0.6+0.9=1.5	2.5	1.50	m
20	0.7+0.7=1.4	2.4	1.00	M
21	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.4	1.33	m
22	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.4	1.33	m
23	0.6+0.8=1.4	2.4	1.33	m
24	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.2	1.60	m
25	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.2	1.60	m
26	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.2	1.60	m
27	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.2	1.60	m
28	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.2	1.60	m
29	0.5+0.8=1.3	2.2	1.60	m
30	0.6+0.7=1.3	2.2	1.17	m
31	0.6+0.7=1.3	2.2	1.17	m
32	0.6+0.6=1.2	2	1.00	M
33	0.5+0.7=1.2	2	1.40	m
34	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.8	1.20	m
35	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.8	1.20	m
36	0.5+0.6=1.1	1.8	1.20	m
37	0.4+0.6=1.0	1.7	1.50	m
38	0.4+0.5=0.9	1.5	1.25	m
39	0.4+0.4=0.8	1.3	1.00	M
40	0.4+0.4=0.8	1.3	1.00	M

\* Satellite chromosome (chromosome with wide heterochromatic region).

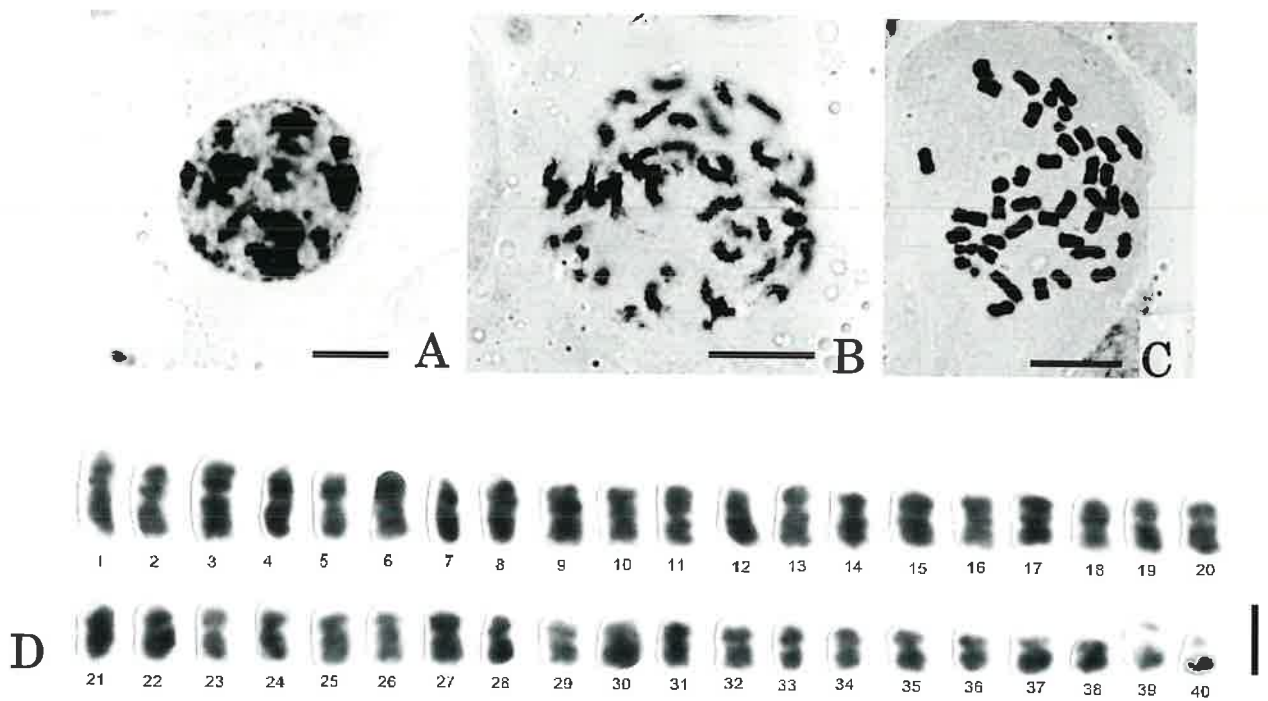


Fig. 1. Chromosomes of *Acineta barkeri*, HBG1404,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

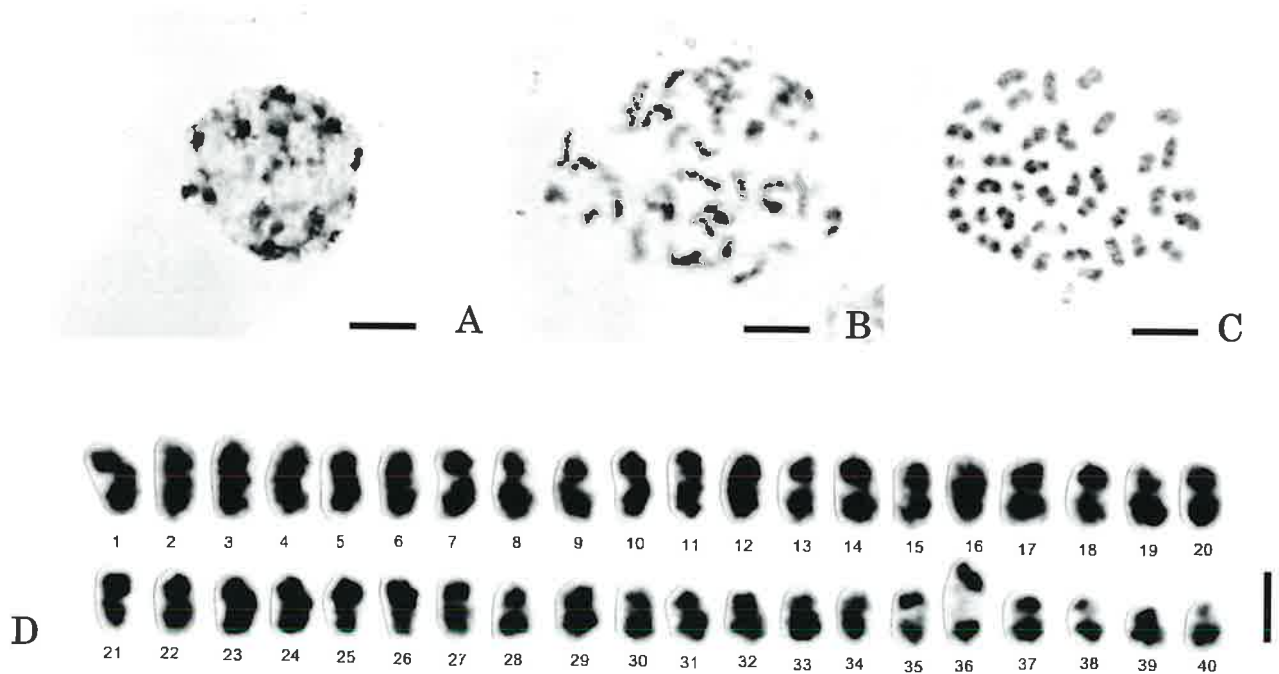


Fig. 2. Chromosomes of *Acineta superba*, HBG638,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

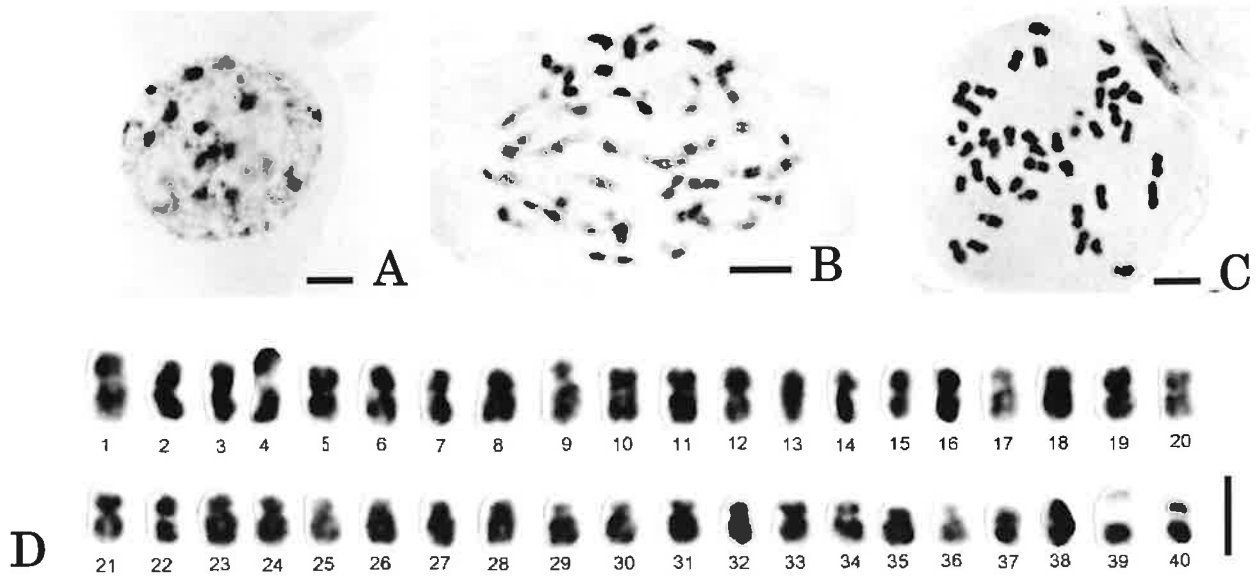


Fig. 3. Chromosomes of *Cirrhaea loddigesii*, HBG607,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate 5µm in A-C and 2µm in D.

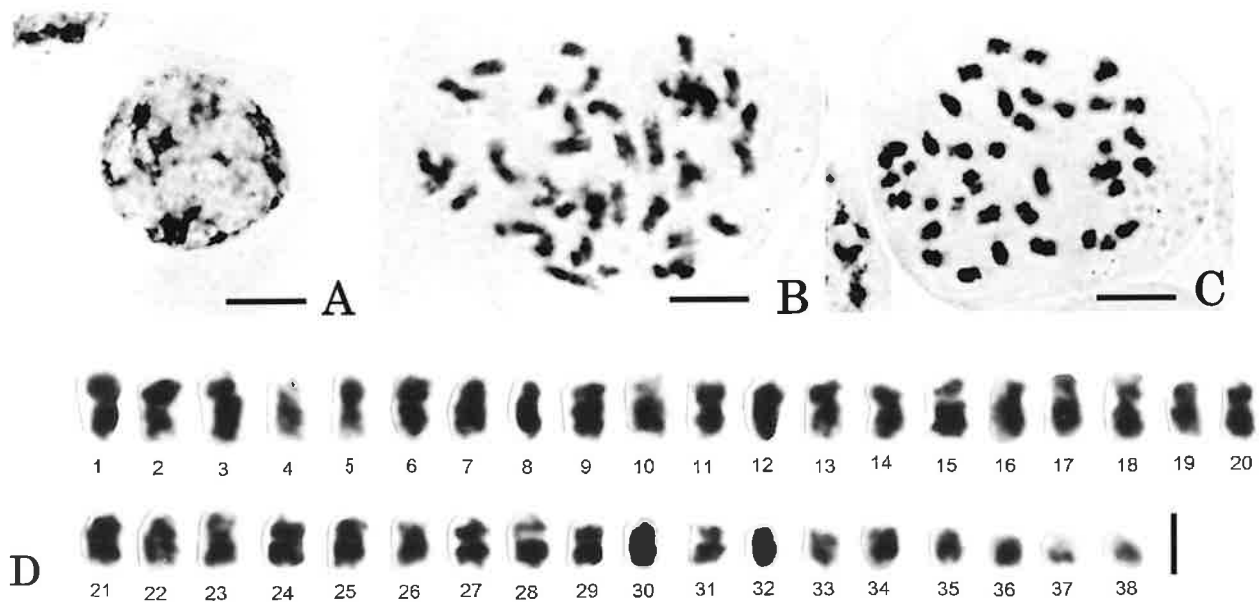


Fig. 4. Chromosomes of *Coeliopsis hyacinthosma*, HBG647,  $2n=38$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate 5µm in A-C and 2µm in D.

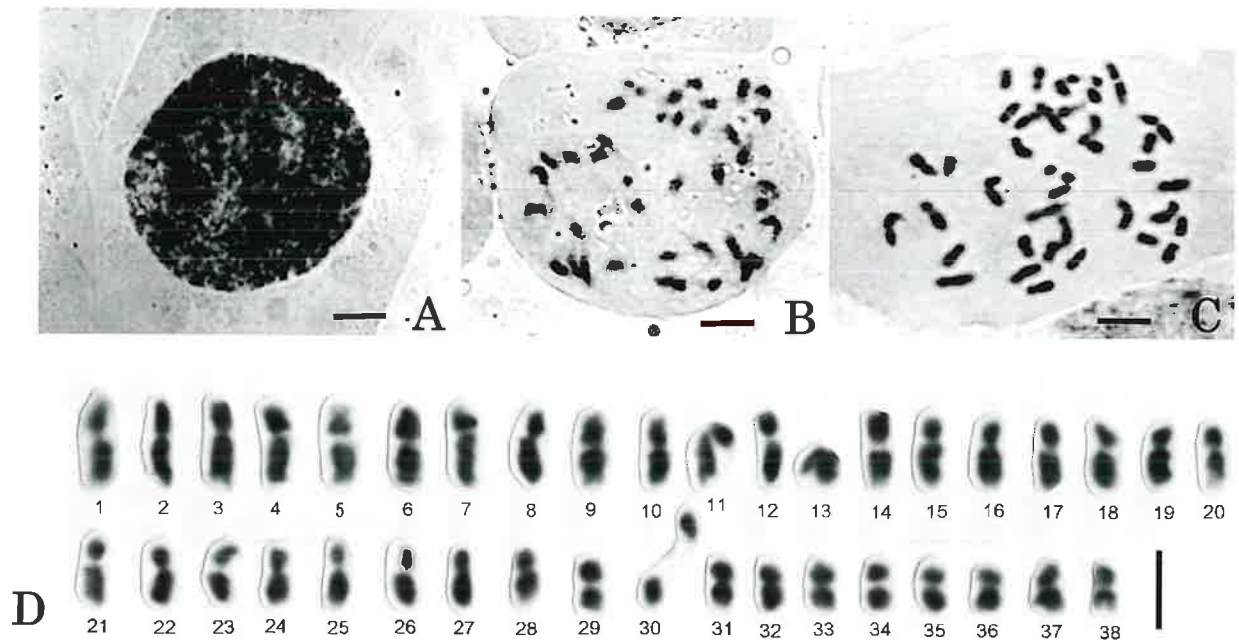


Fig. 5. Chromosomes of *Gongora armeniaca*, HBG563,  $2n=38$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

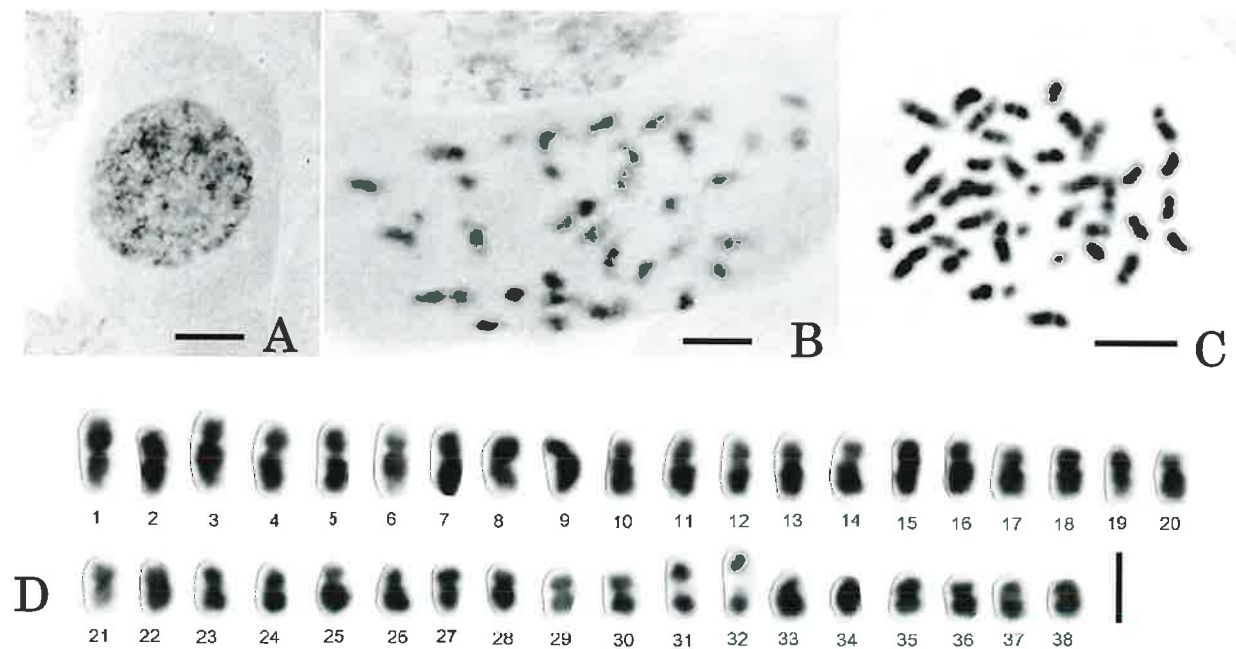


Fig. 6. Chromosomes of *Gongora truncata*, HBG602,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.



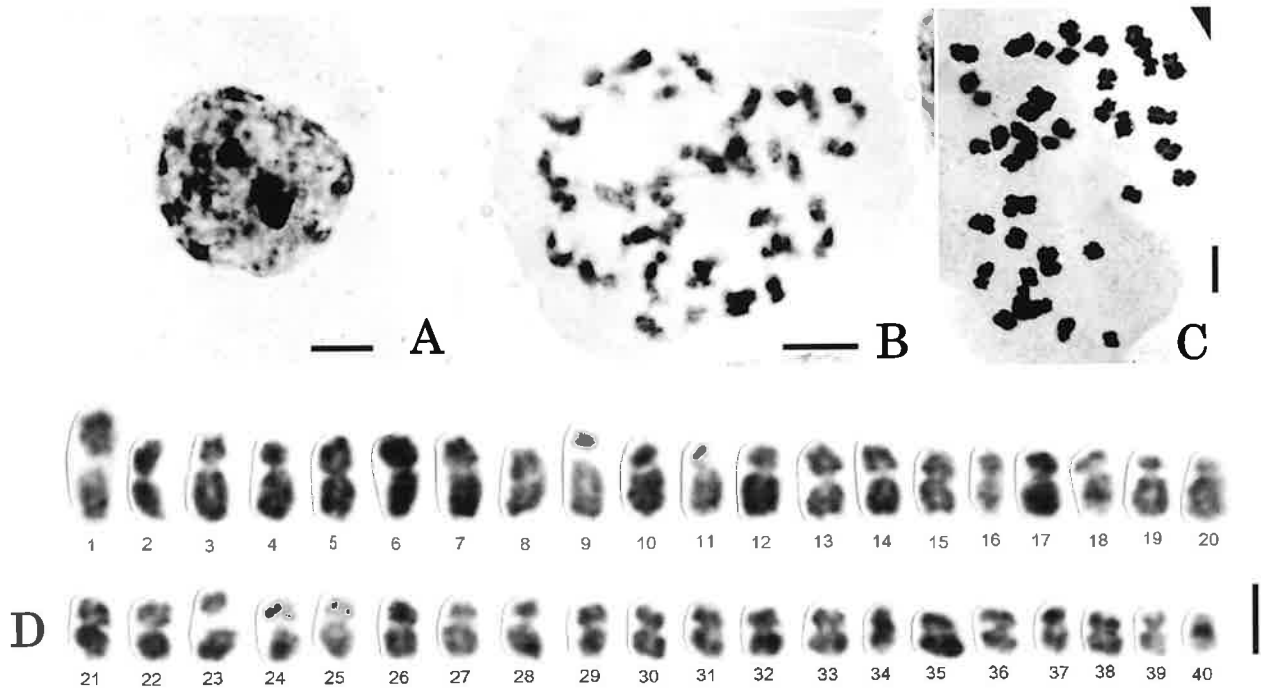


Fig. 7. Chromosomes of *Kegeliella atropilosa*, HBG2699,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

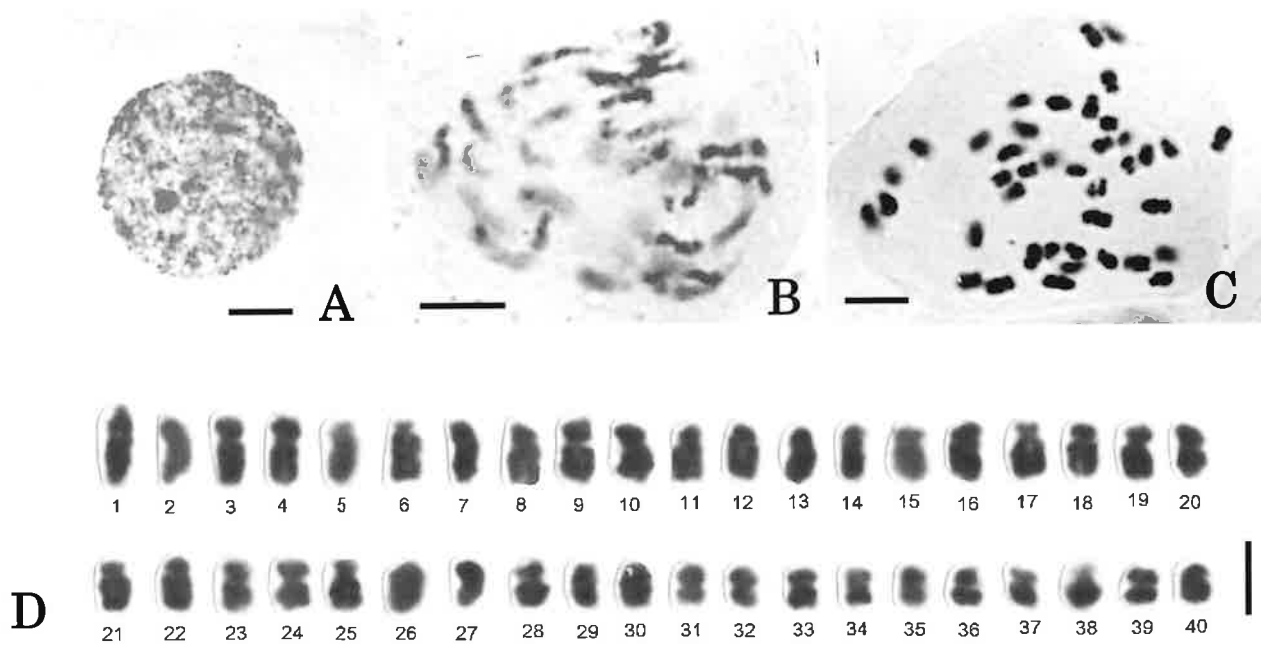


Fig. 8. Chromosomes of *Paphinia grandiflora*, HBG2220,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

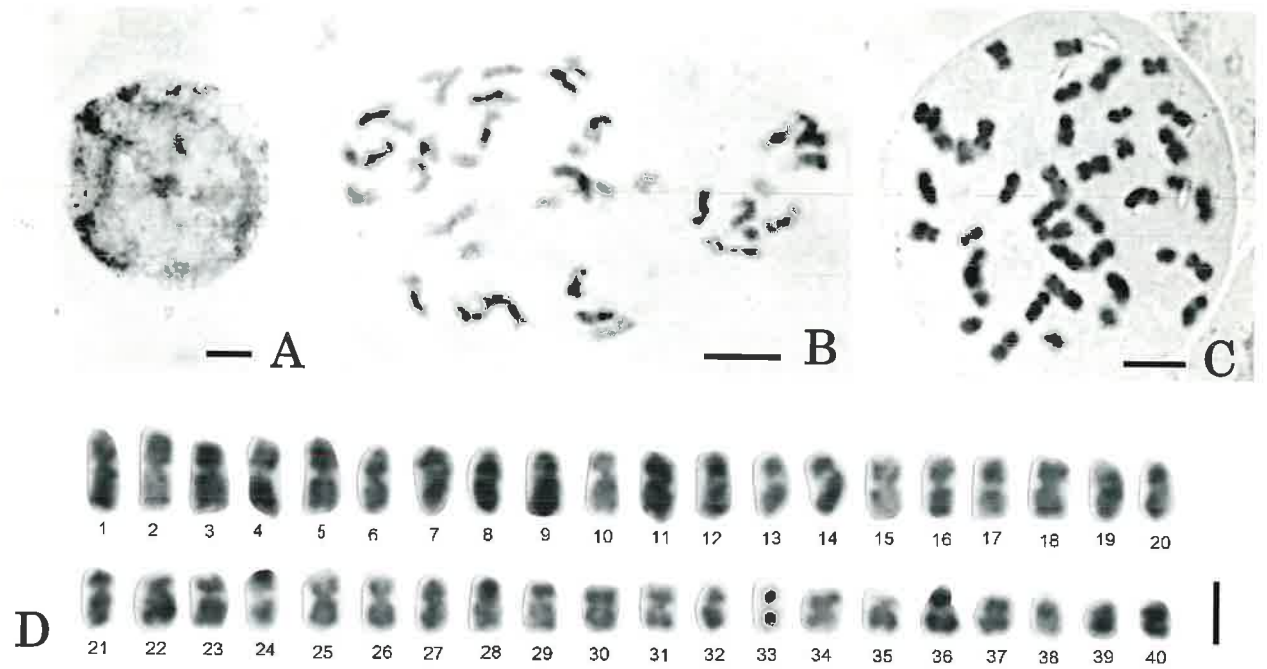


Fig. 9. Chromosomes of *Peristeria elata*, HBG621,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

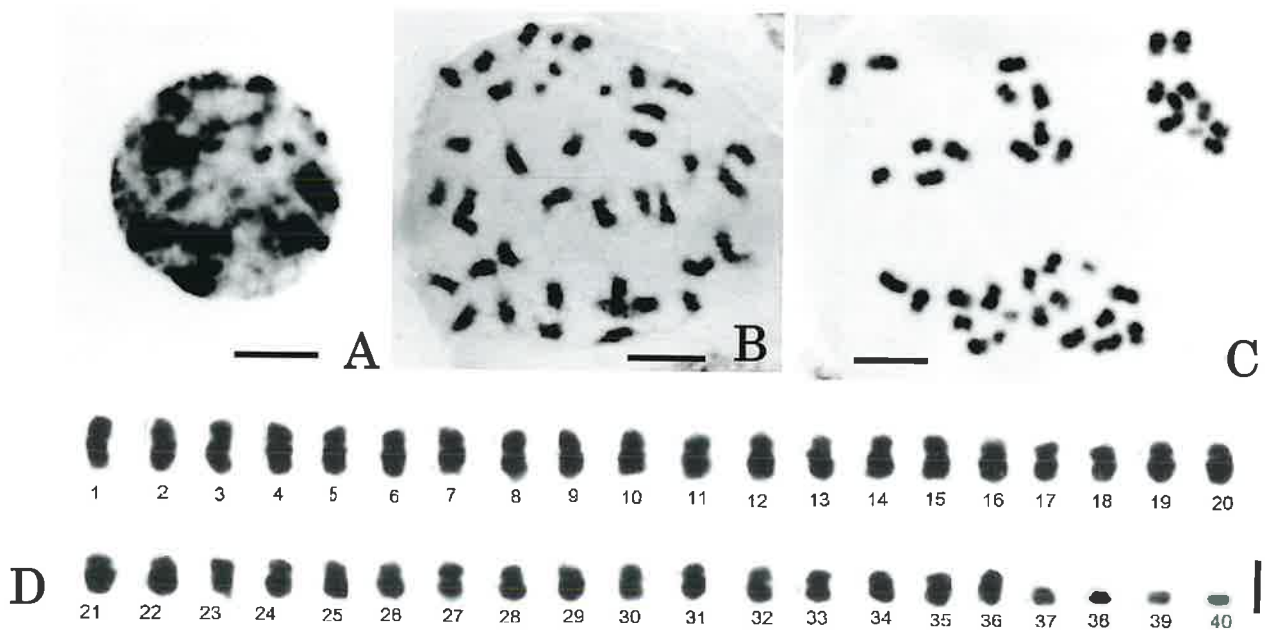


Fig. 10. Chromosomes of *Polycynis barbata*, HBG730,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

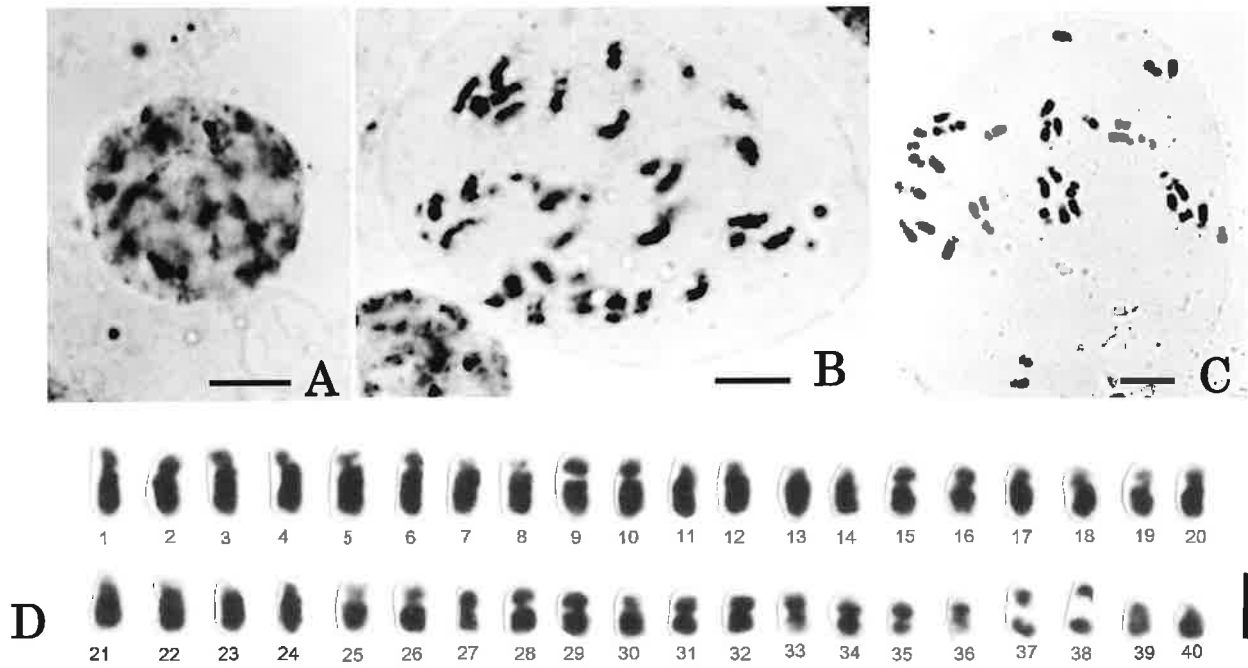


Fig. 11. Chromosomes of *Shlimia trifida*, HBG2819,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

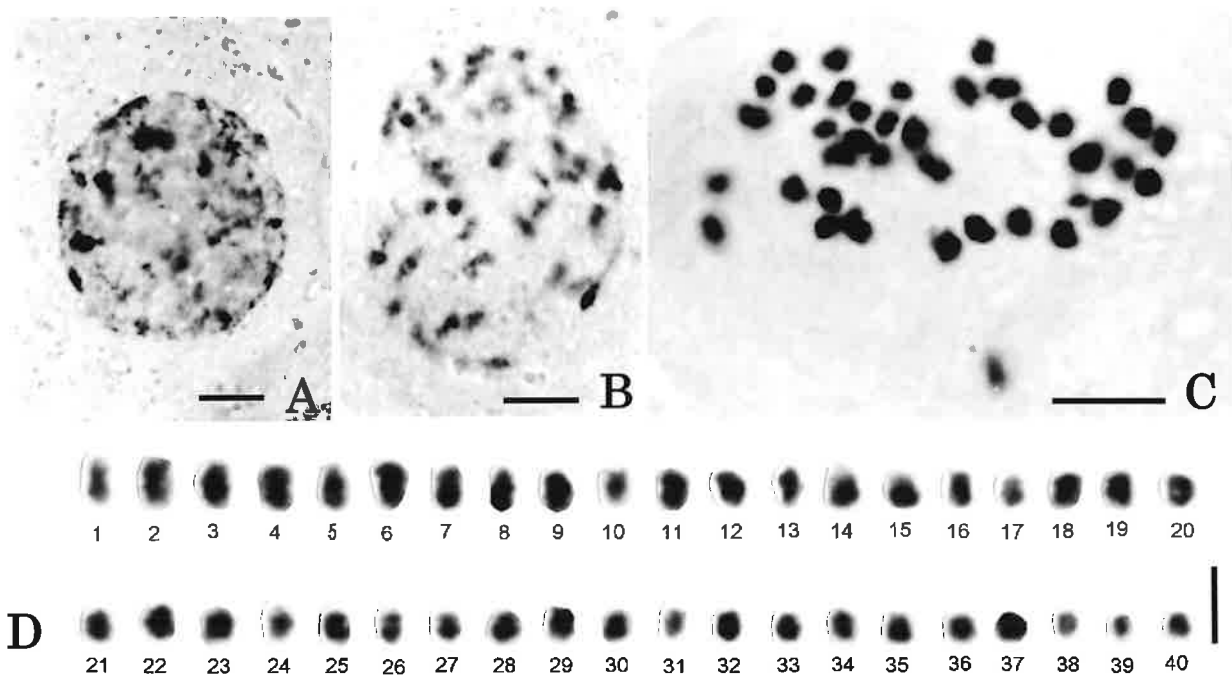


Fig. 12. Chromosomes of *Stanhopea cirrhata*, HBG2272,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

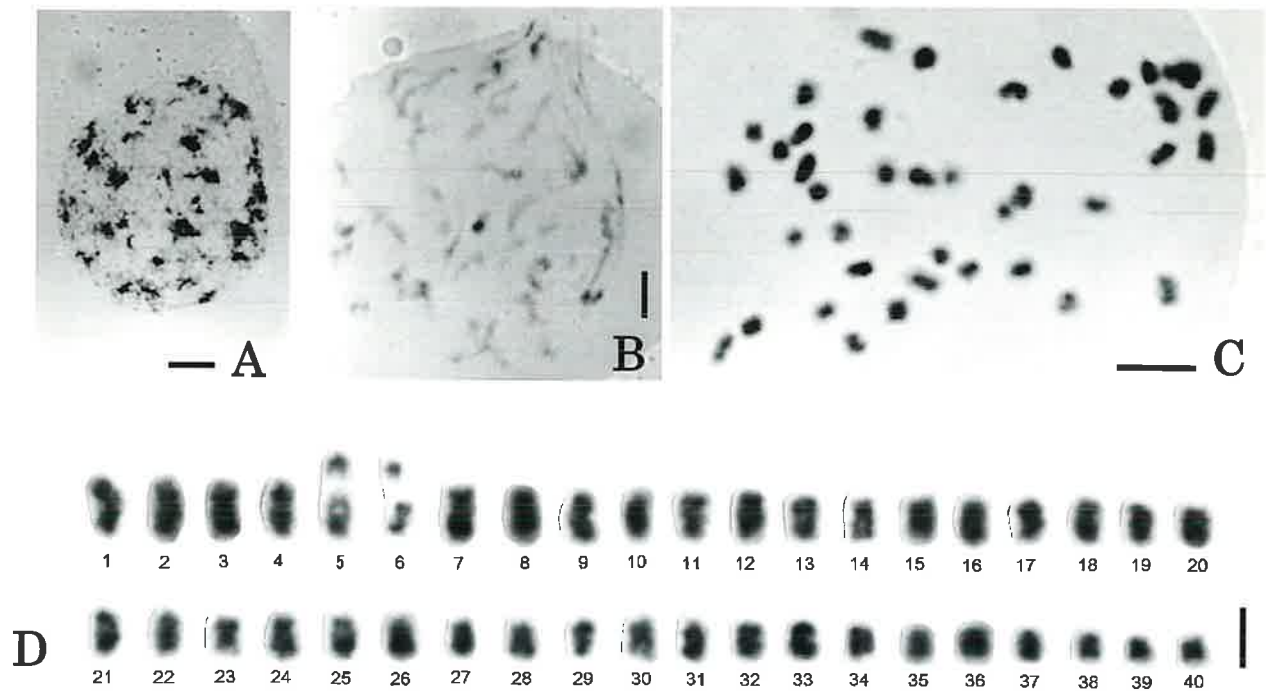


Fig. 13. Chromosomes of *Stanhopea guttulata*, HBG604,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.

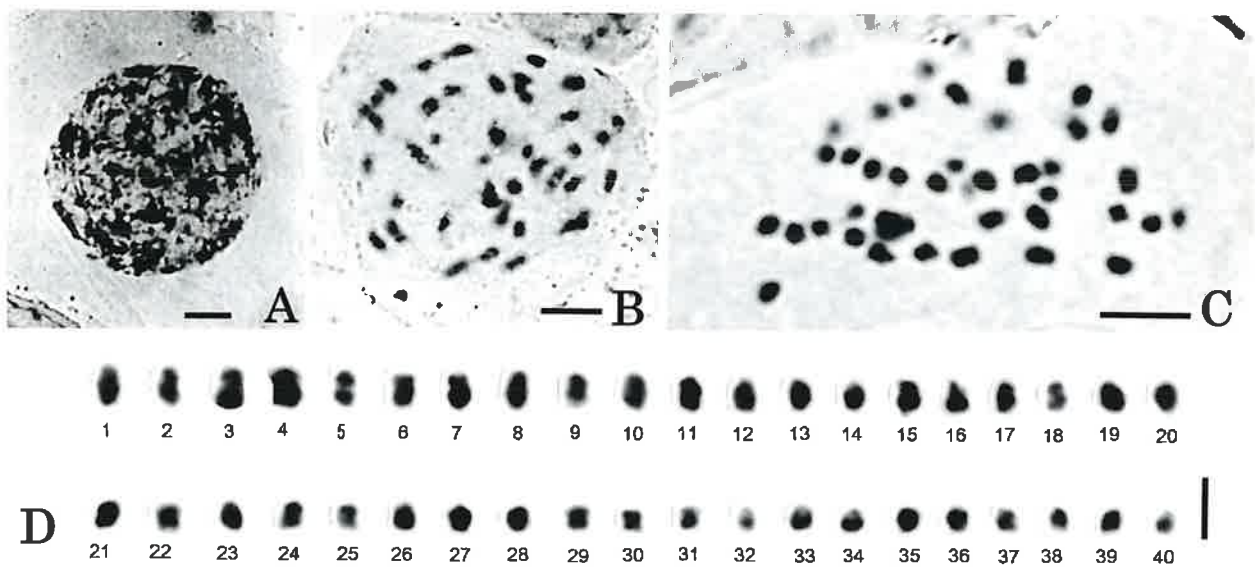


Fig. 14. Chromosomes of *Stanhopea pulla*, HBG668,  $2n=40$ . A, resting stage. B, mitotic prophase. C and D, mitotic metaphase. Bars indicate  $5\mu\text{m}$  in A-C and  $2\mu\text{m}$  in D.