

Taxonomic notes on the Genus *Aphis* (Sterrnorhyncha: Aphididae) in Korea

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About 4,700 aphid species belonging to the Family Aphididae have been recorded worldwide. Among Aphididae, the Genus *Aphis* is one of the largest aphid groups with about 500 species in the world and 36 species in Korea by Lee *et. al.* (2003). Most aphids belonging to *Aphis* are well known as the agricultural crop pests like *Aphis gossypii* and *Aphis spiraecola*.

A total of 25 *Aphis* species are recognized with about 5,000 specimens stored in the insect collection of SNU (Seoul National University) and NIAST (National Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology), including 4 species new to Korea and 2 species new to science. As the species new to Korea, *Aphis fabae* was collected on *Solanum nigrum*, *Hemistepata lyrata*, *Rumex crispus*, *Anthriscus sylvestris*, *Physalis alkekengi*, *Aphis hederæ* on *Hedera rhombea*, *Aphis oenotheræ* on *Oenothera odorata*, *Aphis sanguisorbæ* on *Sanguisorba officinalis*. Especially, many samples of *Aphis fabae* were collected nation-widely in Seoul, Gangwon, Chungnam, Jeonbuk, Jeonnam, Gyeongbuk, Gyeongnam, and Jeju provinces since 1999. Two new species are *Aphis* sp.1 nov. on *Vitex* sp. and *Aphis* sp.2 nov. on *Veronica nakaiana*. In addition, distribution of *Aphis newtoni*, *Aphis sedi* and *Aphis sanguisorbicola*, which have been recorded only in North Korea is confirmed in South Korea.

We would present the check list of the Genus *Aphis* in Korea, with the morphology, ecology and host ranges of each species and suggest further study to revise the reality of some species whether they distribute in Korea or not.