

Classification of Forest Vegetation of Seonunsan Area, Southwestern Korea

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Z-M 방식에 의한 禪雲山地域의 森林群集 分類

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ABSTRACT

The forest stands of Seonunsan area, South-western Korea, were classified into three alliances and nine communities by the Z-M school scheme. Of these one alliance and four associations were recognized in this study, that is, an alliance, *Carpinion laxiflorae* and four associations, *Carpinetum tschonoskii*, *Quercetum variabilis*, *Carpinetum laxiflorae* and *Rhododendro mucronulati-Pinetum densiflorae*.

Hierarchy of Seonunsan area forest vegetation by Z-M scheme was as follows: *Pinion densiflorae* Suz.-Tok. 1966. 1. *Rhododendro mucronulati-Pinetum densiflorae*

ass. nov., 2. *Pinus thunbergii* community.

Carpinion laxiflorae all. nov., 1. *Quercus serrata-Carpinus tschonoskii* community, 2. *Quercus aliena-Carpinus tschonoskii* community, 3. *Carpinetum tschonoskii* ass. nov., a. Typical subass., b. *Sasa borealis* subass., 4. *Quercetum variabilis* ass. nov., a. *Sasa borealis* subass. b. Typical subass., 5. *Carpinetum laxiflorae* ass. nov..

Zelkovion serratae Miyawaki *et al.*, 1977., 1. *Orixo-Zelkovetum serratae* Miyawaki et H. Tohma 1975., a. Typical subass., b. *Thea sinensis* facies, 2. *Thea sinensis-Camellia japonica* community.

INTRODUCTION

Several phytosociological descriptions on the forest vegetations of South Korea were reported (Kil and Kim, 1984; Yim and Baik, 1985; Jang and Yim, 1985; Yim and Kim, 1985; Kim *et al.*, 1986), but none on the forest vegetation of Seonunsan area.

The mountain is largely covered with hornbeam forest and oak forest in the undisturbed area, while pine forest in the disturbed area. Hornbeam (*Carpinus*) forests have been reco-

gnized as a distinct forest vegetation in cool temperate zone in Korea. *Carpinus laxiflora* forest and *C. tschonoskii* forest are indicator species in middle and southern part of cool temperate zone of Korea (Uyeki, 1933; Yim, 1977b). However, the distribution ranges of these two hornbeam species are overlapped in most area (Yim, 1977a, b), but the distributional center of the two species differ from each other apparently. In the Piagol of Mt. Chiri, Korea, *C. laxiflora* community on the upper part and *C. tschonoskii* community on the lower part were mainly found (Jang and Yim, 1985).

Hornbeam forest, oak forest and pine forest are main communities in cool temperate zone of Korea. However, these vegetations are not yet fully recognized in phytosociological viewpoint. To clarify these problems, first of all, the study on the forest vegetation of Seonunsan area was carried out by the Zürich-Montpellier method (Z-M school method).

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STUDY AREA

In Mt. Seonun area, provincial park of Chollabukdo (ca. 43.7km², 35°27'20"~35°32'00"N, 126°33'00"~126°38'40"E), these are five main peaks, Soyo (442.2m), Kyeongsu (444.0m), Kaeibbal (335.7m), Cheongyong (313.7m) and Pihak (307.4m) (Fig. 1).

The upper part of the mountain is largely characterized by steep slopes or rock ridges, and the soils of upper parts in the mountain are stony loam and the soils of lower parts gravelly loam (Office of Rural Development, 1975).

For a long time, most trees in the mountain had been repeatedly cut for the use of charcoal or house building and heating. The undergrowth of the forest has been grazed by domestic animals, and has been subjected to collecting of edible plants picking and burning for field crop. Since 1979, however, the lumbering, grazing and firing for fuel have been almost abandoned and the plantation of *Pinus thunbergii* thereafter established.

The natural forest vegetation dominated by *C. tschonoskii* now remains in a extremely restricted area only around the Seonun temple.

The data of Gochang meteorological station, ca. 10km east of Seonunsan area are available. Kira's warmth index 107.1°C·month (Yim and Kira, 1975) and Thornthwaite's moisture index 46.4 (Yim and Kira, 1976) were based with mean annual temperature, is 12.8°C, and mean annual precipitation 1,107mm. And climatic diagram by Yim and Kim(1983) and climograph by Yim(1972) were referred to the discussion (Fig. 2).

FIELD SURVEY AND TABULATION

Thirty seven relevé were selected (Fig. 1) (Braun-Blanquet, 1964; Werger, 1974; Miyawaki *et al.*, 1981) and one quadrat (5m×5m, 10m×10m or 15m×15m) was set randomly at every relevé, and dominance and sociability occurred for vascular plant species in the area were recorded.

By tabular comparison method (Shimwell, 1971; Mueller-Dombois and Ellenberg, 1974; Küchler, 1967; Suzuki *et al.*, 1985; Toyohara, 1977) plant communities were classified. To determine the vegetational units of the forest, their the communities classified were compared with those of other region (Yim and Baik, 1985; Miyawaki *et al.*, 1983). The nomenclature of the species was based on 'Illustrated Flora of Korea' (Lee, 1979).

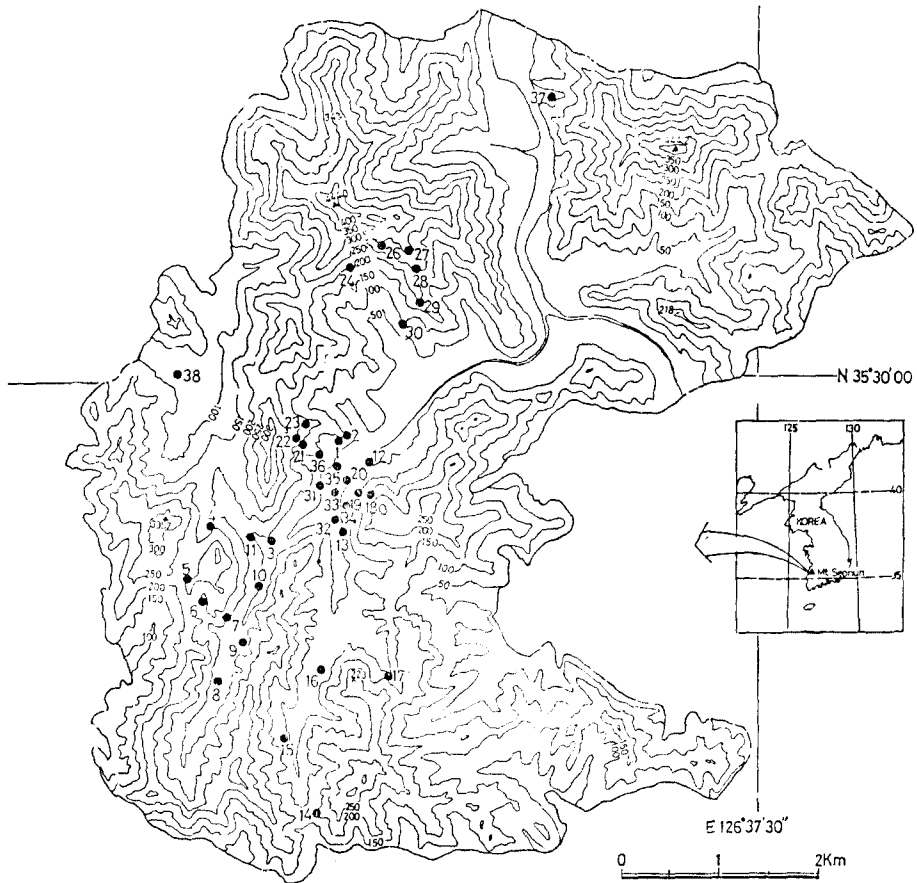


Fig. 1. Map showing the study sites. Number: Relevé number in table 1, 2 and 3.

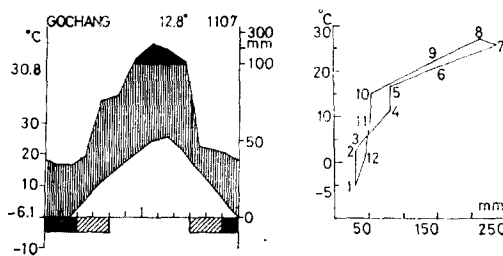


Fig. 2. Climatic diagram (left) and climograph (right) of Gochang near Seonunsan area.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The forest vegetation of Seonunsan area was divided into three alliances, five associations and four communities, and four associations were also subdivided into several lower units, subassociations, as follows:

Hierarchy of Mt. Seonun forest vegetation

Pinion densiflorae Suz.-Tok. 1966.

1. *Rhododendromucronulati-Pinetum densiflorae* ass. nov.

2. *Pinus thunbergii* community

Carpinion laxiflorae all. nov.

1. *Quercus serrata-Carpinus tschonoskii* community

2. *Quercus aliena-Carpinus tschonoskii* community

3. *Carpinetum tschonoskii* ass. nov.

a. Typical subass.

b. *Sasa borealis* subass.

4. *Quercetum variabilis* ass. nov.

a. *Sasa borealis* subass.

b. Typical subass.

5. *Carpinetum laxiflorae* ass. nov.

Zelkovion serratae Miyawaki *et al.*, 1977.

1. *Orixa-Zelkovetum serratae* Miyawaki *et H. Tohma* 1975.

a. Typical subass.

b. *Thea sinensis* facies

2. *Thea sinensis-Camellia japonica* community

Among the vegetation units of above hierarchy system, *Carpinion laxiflorae* and *Carpinetum tschonoskii*, *Carpinetum laxiflorae*, *Quercetum variabilis* and *Rhododendromucronulati-Pinetum densiflorae*, are recognized as a new alliance and new associations, respectively.

(1) *Pinion densiflorae* Suz.-Tok. 1966 (Table 1)

Character species: *Pinus densiflora*, *Rhododendron schlippenbachii*, *Vaccinium oldhamii*, *Juniperus rigida* and *Lespedeza bicolor*.

According to Miyawaki *et al.* (1983), *Pinion densiflorae* has character species, *Pinus densiflora*, *Vaccinium oldhamii*, *Juniperus rigida* and *Lyonia ovalifolia* var. *elliptica* in Japan, as like as in Korea. Therefore, the pine forest of this mountain belongs to the *Pinion densiflorae* Suz.-Tok. 1966.

1. *Rhododendromucronulati-Pinetum densiflorae* ass. nov.

Character species: *Pinus densiflora*, *Rhododendron mucronulatum*.

Table 1. Vegetation table of *Rhododendro mucronulata* - *Pinetum densiflorae*¹⁾ and *Pinus thunbergii* community²⁾ on Mt. Seonun, Korea
Pinion densiflorae Suz.-Tok. 1966
 1. *Rhododendro mucronulatum* - *Pinetum densiflorae* ass. nov.
 2. *Pinus thunbergii* community

Serial number	1										2									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Releve' number	16	14	9	15	17	30	27	23	37	35	70	190	250	120	120	50	300	250	29	70
Altitude(m)																				
Slope aspect		W	SW	E	E	S	SW	S	S	S										
Slope degree(°)	2	22	3	15	13	10	30	20	5	10										
Topography	F	H	M	L	L	L	U	U	L	L										
Quadrat size(m ²)	100	25	25	25	100	100	100	100	100	100										
Height of tree-1 layer(m)	9	6	5	8	9	12	13	11	15	15										
Coverage of tree-1 layer(%)	55	80	80	75	60	70	60	65	85	85										
dbh of highest tree	23	12	12	14	12	18	19	24	30	25										
Height of tree-2 layer(m)	5	.	.	5	5	6	6	7	.	.										
Coverage of tree-2 layer(%)	20	.	.	65	40	40	40	50	.	.										
Height of shrub layer(m)	2	1.5	1.5	1.5	2	2	2	2	2	2.5										
Coverage of shrub layer(%)	85	70	80	80	80	85	95	40	30	25										
Height of herb layer(m)	0.8	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5										
Coverage of herb layer(%)	60	60	60	45	70	80	65	70	90	95										
Number of species	22	23	26	31	29	28	28	29	20	14										

Character species of association:

<i>Pinus densiflora</i>	T1	5.5	4.4	5.5	4.4	3.3	5.5	4.4	3.3	1.1	.
	T2S	+	+	.	.	+	2.2	.	+2	.	+
<i>Rhododendron mucronulatum</i>	S	+2	.	2.2	+2	+2	3.2	1.1	+2	.	+

Differential species of community:

<i>Pinus thunbergii</i>	T1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5.5	5.5
	T2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2.2	+2
	S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.1	1.2

Character species of alliance:

<i>Vaccinium oldhamii</i>	S	.	1.1	+2	.	1.1	+2	+2	1.1	.	+2
<i>Rhododendron schlippenbachii</i>	S	+2	.	+2	.	1.2	+2	+2	.	.	.

<i>Juniperus rigida</i>	T2S	.	.	1.2	+1	+1	1.2	.	+1	.	.
<i>Lespedeza bicolor</i>	S	+2	+	+2	+2	+2	+	+2	+2	+	.

Character and differential species of upper units:

<i>Indigofera kirilowii</i>	S	+	.	+2	.	.	+	2.2	2.2	+	+2
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> var. <i>latiusculum</i>	H	1.2	+2	1.2	+	1.2	.	1.2	+2	+	+
<i>Lespedeza maximowiczii</i>	S	+2	1.2	.	1.2	+	1.2	1.2	.	1.2	+
<i>Elampyrum roseum</i>	H	+2	.	.	+2	+2	+	+2	.	.	.
<i>Festuca ovina</i>	H	1.2	.	.	+2	.	+2	.	+2	.	.
<i>Patrinia villosa</i>	H	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.

Companions:

<i>Quercus variabilis</i>	T1	.	.	.	.	1.1	.	1.1	1.1	.	.
	T2	.	.	.	.	1.1	.	1.1	1.1	.	.
	S	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.
<i>Smilax china</i>	H	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Quercus serrata</i>	T2	.	.	+	1.1	r	.	+1	+1	.	.
	S	1.1	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Prunus sargentii</i>	T2S	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	+
<i>Platycarya strobilacea</i>	T1	.	.	.	+1	.	.	.	+1	.	.
	T2	.	.	.	.	1.1	.	.	.	.	.
	S	.	.	.	.	+1	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Lindera obtusiloba</i>	S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Viburnum dilatatum</i>	S	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Quercus acutissima</i>	T1S	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Rhus tricoarpa</i>	S	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Rhus verniciflua</i>	S	.	.	.	r	+	r	.	.	.	.
<i>Potentilla fragarioides</i> var. <i>major</i>	H	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+
<i>Aster scaber</i>	H	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Styrax japonica</i>	S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	+	+
<i>Patrinia scabiosaeifolia</i>	H	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Atractylodes japonica</i>	H	.	+	.	.	.	+	1.2	+	.	.
<i>Stephanandra incisa</i>	S	.	.	+	1.2	.	.	.	.	.	2.2
<i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	S	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cocculus trilobus</i>	H	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ostericum sieboldii</i>	H	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Escholtzia splendens</i>	H	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sanguisorba officinalis</i>	H	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Artemisia sylvatica</i>	H	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Carpinus tschonoskii</i>	S	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Lysimachia barystachys</i>	H	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Arundinella hirta</i>	H	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Carex siderosticta</i>	H	.	.	1.2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Smilax nipponica</i>	H	.	.	+	1.2	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Malus baccata</i>	T1T2	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Kilium effusum</i>	H	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Corylus heterophylla</i> var. <i>thunbergii</i>	S	r	.	.	.	+	r	.	.	.	.
<i>Osmunda japonica</i>	H	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Viola manshurica</i>	H	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Fraxinus sieboldiana</i>	T2S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Carex lanceolata</i>	H	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Fraxinus rhynchophylla</i>	T2S	.	+2	.	.	.	1.2	.	+	+	.
<i>Quercus aliena</i>	T2	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Rhus chinensis</i>	S	.	.	.	.	+	1.1	.	.	.	.

Rare species: *Artemisia keiskeana*(3:H-+,9:H-+), *Carpinus laxiflora* (7:S-+), *Viola dissecta* var. *chaerophylloides*(4:H-+), *Platyodon grandiflorum*(3:H-+,6:H-+), *Viola acuminata*(4:H-+), *Sorbus alnifolia* (8:T2-+), *Opismenum undulatifolius*(8:H-+), *Disporum smilacinum*(8:H-2,2), *Eragaria thunbergiana*(6:H-+,9:H-+), *Arabis glabra*(6:H-+,7:H-+), *Angelica decursiva*(3:H-+,5:H-+), *Dioscorea batatas*(8:H-+), *Isodon inflexus*(6:H-+,8:H-+), *Bidens bipinnata*(4:H-+), *Rosa multiflora*(4:S-r), *Corylus sieboldiana*(8:S-r), *Acer pseudo-sieboldianum*(7:S-r), *Castanea crenata*(10:S-+), *Zanthoxylum piperitum*(4:S-r), *Commelina communis*(9:H-+), *Veratrum maackii* var. *japonicum*(4:H-+,5:H-+), *Clerodendron trichotomum* (4:S-r), *Artemisia princeps* var. *orientalis*(1:H-+,2:H-+).
 Date of survey: Releve' No. 5, Aug. 24, 1985; Releve' No. 14-17, Aug. 25, 1985; Releve' No. 27-30, Aug. 26, 1985; Releve' No. 37-38, May 16, 1986.
 Note: T: top, R: ridge, U: upper part of slope, M: middle part of slope, L: lower part of slope, V: valley, F: flatland.

These character species occur more abundantly at the low parts of the mountain which is destroyed by human activity or the hillock and exposed ridge line, dried and poored habitat. Generally speaking, *Pinus densiflora* is one of the pioneer species which invade in the bare land.

In the tree layer, *Pinetum densiflorae*, *Quercus variabilis*, *Q. acutissima*, *Prunus sargentii* and *Plantycarya strobilacea* etc. are found as a companion species. These species have low cover value within the canopy layer.

The shrub layer is composed of shrubby trees such as *Rhododendron mucronulatum*, *Lespedeza bicolor*, *Indigofera kirilowi*, *Lespedeza maximowiczii* and *Vaccinium oldhamii* and of tree saplings such as *Juniperus rigida* and *Rhus trichocarpa*.

The herb layer, as composed of some constant species such as *Festuca ovina*, *patrinia villosa*, *Melampyrum roseum* and *Smilax china* and *Atractylodes japonica*, *Patrinia scabio-saefelia* and *Lysimachia barystachys* are rarely found. Floristic composition mentioned above also found in *Pinus densiflora-Rhododendron mucronulatum* subcommunity of Mt. Seolag (Yim and Baik, 1985).

According to Miyawaki *et al.* (1983), Japanese pine alliance, *Pinion densiflorae* is classified into four associations, that is, *Rhododendro-Pinetum densiflorae*, *Rhododendro macrocephali-Pinetum densiflorae*, *Rhododendro weyrichii-Pinetum densiflorae* and *Rhododendro reticulati-Pinetum densiflorae*. The character species of their associations, *Rhododendron kaempferi*, *R. dilatatum*, *R. weyrichii* and *R. reticulati* are not distributed in this mountain. Between Korean pine forest and Japanese forest distinct differences exist in character species. Therefore, we propose here as a new association, *Rhododendro mucronulati-Pinetum densiflorae*.

2. *Pinus thunbergii* community

Differential species: *Pinus thunbergii*.

This community is distinguished from other communities by the presence of the differential species, such as *Pinus thunbergii* and it occurs commonly in southern Korea (Kim and Kil, 1983; Kil and Kim, 1984) and it is a man-introduced vegetation by plantation in the lower parts of mountain.

(2) *Carpinion laxiflorae* all. nov. (Table 2, Fig. 3)

Character species: *Carpinus laxiflora*, *Fraxinus rhynchophylla*, *Sapium japonicum*, *Meliosma myriantha*, *Prunus sargentii*, *Aster scaber* and *Smilax nipponica*.

Carpinus laxiflora has a wide range of thermal distribution, the range of 45~120°C-month in terms warmth index (Uyeki, 1933; Yim, 1977a). Therefore, it seems that southern and middle parts of cool temperate deciduous broadleaf forest zone has a wide distributional species *C. laxiflora*, as the indicator species of these subzones. In these subzones, companion species, *C. laxiflora*, *C. tschonoskii*, *Quercus variabilis*, *Q. aliena*, and *Q. serrata*, have the differential positions of their peak frequency in the different habitat. These species may be topographic or edaphic climax species. Consequently, the oak-hornbeam

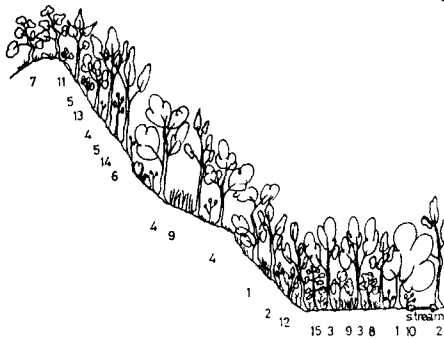


Fig. 3. Projection diagram of an oak-hornbeam forest in low part and northwestern slope of Seonunsan area.

1. *Zelkova serrata* 2. *Quercus aliena* 3. *Carpinus tschonoskii* 4. *Carpinus laxiflora*
5. *Quercus variabilis* 6. *Quercus serrata*
7. *Pinus densiflora* 8. *Acer pseudo-sieboldianum* var. *koreanum* 9. *Sasa borealis*
10. *Oriza japonica* 11. *Rhododendron mucronulatum* 12. *Styrax japonica* 13. *Lespedeza bicolor* 14. *Platycarya strobilacea* 15. *Cornus controversa*.

forest of this mountain is proposed here as a new alliance, *Carpinion laxiflorae*.

This alliance is distinguished from other by the presence of the character species, *Carpinus laxiflora*, *Fraxinus rhynchophylla*, *Sapium japonicum*, *Meliosma myrianta*, *Prunus Sargentii*, *Aster scaber* and *Smilax nipponica*.

1. *Quercus serrata*-*Carpinus tschonoskii* community.

Differential species: *Quercus serrata*.

This community is distinguished from other by the presence of the differential species, *Quercus serrata*. This species occurs Commonly on the deep soil and middle parts of the slopes in this mountain. High constant species are *Carex siderosticta* and *Disporum smilacinum*. It seems that *Quercus serrata* forest is a secondary forest in this mountain.

2. *Quercus aliena*-*Carpinus tschonoskii* community.

Differential species: *Quercus aliena*.

This species occurs more abundantly at the low parts of the slopes, valley and flat land. High constant species are *Stephanandra incisa* and *Oplismenus undulatifolius*. This community is distinguished from others by the presence of the differential species, *Quercus aliena*.

3. *Carpinetum tschonoskii* ass. nov. (Fig. 4)

Character species: *Carpinus tschonoskii*, *Acer pseudo-sieboldianum* var. *koreanum* and *Ainsliaea acerifolia*.

Uyeki (1933) mentioned *Carpinus tschonoskii* as the character species for southern part of cool-temperate zone. Though the distribution range of *C. tschonoskii* overlap with *C. laxiflora* in the warmth index 45~120°C·month (Yim, 1977a), the distributional center of *C. tschonoskii* differ from *C. laxiflora* apparently. The former occurs on lower parts of the slopes and on more moist site in this mountain as the case of Mt. Chiri (Jang and Yim, 1985). It seems that *C. tschonoskii* is formed the natural forest as a climax species in this mountain. Therefore, the *C. tschonoskii* forest of the mountain is proposed here as a new association, *Carpinetum tschonoskii*.

This association is distinguished from other by the presence of the character species, *Carpinus tschonoskii*, *Acer pseudo-sieboldianum* var. *koreanum* and *Ainsliaea acerifolia*. The association is subdivided into two lower units, subassociations, depending on the

topography and the floristic composition.

a. Typical subassociation

In the tree layer of *C. tschonoskii*, *Quercus aliena*, *Acer pseudo-sieboldianum* var. *kooreanum*, *Zelkova serrata*, *Lindera erythrocarpa* and *Meliosma myriantha* etc. are found with lower coverage.

The shrub layer is composed of shrub species such as *Stephandra incisa*, *Lingustrum obtusifolium*, *Staphylea bumalda* and *Viburnum dilatatum* and of saplings such as *Fraxinus rhynchophylla*, *Sapium japonicum* and *Lindera oblusiloba*.

In the herb layer, as constant species *Oplismenus undulatifolius*, *Trachelospermum asiaticum* var. *intermedium*, *Liriope platyphylla*, *Milletia japonica* and *Smilax china*. *Ainsliaea acerifolia*, *Lillium tsingtauense*, *Smilax nipponica* and *Viola acuminata* are often found.

b. *Sasa borealis* subassociation

Differential species: *Sasa borealis*.

This subassociation occurs on the humid and gravelly loam soil as well and is differentiated from the other by the prominent dominance of *Sasa borealis*. Herbaceous species such as *Trachelospermum asiaticum* var. *intermedium*, *Liriope platyphylla*, *Smilax china* and *Smilax nipponica* are frequently found in the herb layer, but the coverage of these species are low.

4. *Quercetum variabilis* ass. nov.

Character species: *Quercus variabilis*, *Lespedeza bicolor* and *Indigofera kirilowi*.

These species occur more abundantly on the sunny and xeric hill side. *Quercus variabilis* occurs commonly on the sunny steep mountainside. High constant are *Lespedeza bicolor*, *Indigofera kirilowi*, *Aster scaber*, *Smilax china*, *Smilax nipponica*, *Rhus chinensis* and *Lysimachia barystachys*, after pioneer species disturbed.

These facts seem to indicate that *Quercus variabilis* forest developed secondarily on the deep soil when the forests are destroyed by some causes. As the forests have been conserved and occurred commonly on the dried and steep slopes, these forests may be regarded topographic or edaphic climax. This association is distinguished from other by presence of the character species, *Quercus variabilis*, *Lespedeza bicolor* and *Indigofera kirilowi*. Therefore, we propose here as a new association, *Quercetum variabilis*.

In the upper tree layer of *Quercus variabilis*, *Pinus densiflora*, *Quercus serrata*, *Prunus sargentii* and *Plactycarya strobilacea* are found in low coverage. The lower tree layer is



Fig. 4. An association of *Carpinus tschonoskii* in low part of Seonunsan area.

usually rather open, where *Carpinus laxiflora* is sometimes scattered. The shrub layer covered with *Lindera oblusiloba*, *Viburnum dilatatum* and *Acer pseudo-sieboldianum* var. *koreanum*. The herb layer is dominated by *Aster scaber*, *Carex siderosticta*, *C. lanceolata* and *Smilax china*.

This association is subdivided into two subassociations with the basis of the topography and the floristic composition:

- a. *Sasa borealis* subassociation with character species, *Sasa borealis*
- b. Typical subassociation with out character species.
5. *Carpinetum laxiflorae* ass. nov.

Character species: *Carpinus laxiflora*.

This community is distinguished from other by the presence of the differential species, *Carpinus laxiflora*. This species occurs on above the middle parts of the slopes and on somewhat mesic site on the mountain as Mt. Chiri (Jang and Yim, 1985). The distribution range of *C. laxiflora* in terms of Kira's warmth index was the range of 45~120°C·month (Yim, 1977a) but its optimal range was 76~89°C·month and 18~15% in soil water content (Yim and Kim, 1985). It seems that the *C. laxiflora* forest occurs in mesic-warm sites and that the species is formed the natural forest in the middle part of cool-temperate zone (Uyeki, 1933; Yim, 1977b). Consequently, the *C. laxiflora* forest of the mountain is proposed here as a new association, *Carpinetum laeiflorae*.

High constant in this association are *Carex siderosticta*, *Lindera oblusiloba*, *Fraxinus rhynchophylla* and *Styrax obassia* as the case of *C. laxiflora* community of Mt. Seolag (Yim and Baik, 1985). *Sasa boealis* occurs on some places in this communities. It seems that this species distribution is related to the humidity.

- (3) *Zelkovion serratae* Miyawaki *et al.*, 1977 (Table 3)

Character species: *Zelkova serrata*, *Lindera erythrocarpa*, *Liriope platyphylla*, *Arisaema amurense*, *Cornus controversa* and *Celtis sinensis*.

These species occur near the mountain stream and on the well drained stony slope. Character species of the zelkova forest in the mountain are mostly same as those of *Zelkovion serratae* in Japan (Miyawaki *et al.*, 1983). Therefore, the zelkova forest in the mountain belongs to an alliance, *Zelkovion serratae* Miyawaki *et al.*, 1977.

1. *Orixa-Zelkovetum serratae* Miyawaki et H. Tohma 1975.

Character species: *Zelkova serrata*, *Lilium tsingtauense*, *Trachelospermum asiaticum* var. *intermedium*, *Hedera rhombea*, *Lycoris rodinata*, *Ophiopogon japonicus* and *Orixa japonica*.

These species occur on the lower part of the slope, shade and humid sites with loam soil. The tree species other than *Zelkova serrata* in the tree layer are *Carpinus tschonoskii*, *Quercus aliena*, *Acer pseudo-sieboldianum* var. *koreanum*, *Acer mono* and *Celtis sinensis*. A few of these species, *Carpinus tschonoskii* and *Quercus aliena*, have occupied high cover with *Zelkova serrata*. The shrub layer is composed most of woody species such as *Orixa japonica*, *Staphylea bumalda* and *Ligustrum obrusifolium* and young trees such as *Lindera erythrocarpa* and *Acer pseudo-sieboldianum* var. *koreanum*. In the herb layer, there are

some constant such as *Lilium tsingtauense*, *Trachelospermum asiaticum* var. *intermedium*, *Hedera rhomber*, *Lycoris radiata*, *Codonopsis lanceolata*, *Liliope platyphylla* and *Milletia japonica*. *Ophiogon japonica* and *Arisaema amurense* are often found.

Character species of this association in this mountain is similar with those of in Japan (Miyawaki *et al.*, 1983). As mentioned, zelkova forest of the mountain belongs to an association, *O r i x o - Z e l k o v e t u m s e r r a t a e* Miyawaki et H. Tohma 1975. This association is subdivided into two lower units with the basis of the topography and floristic composition:

- a. Typical subassociation without character species
- b. *Thea sinensis* facies which has character species, *Thea sinensis*.

T. sinensis is a man-introduced plant and it was planted on the lower parts of the mountain instead of destroyed undergrowth of the forest around the Seonun temple.

2. *Thea sinensis*-*Camellia japonica* community

Differential species: *Thea sinensis* and *Camellia japonica*.

The tree layer is chiefly composed of *Camellia japonica* which often reaches about 6 m tall and over 50 cm in dbh. In this forest, *T. sinensis* is always constant. The camellias are believed to have been planted after AD 577 together with the tea plants. Their undergrowth are poor. Tea plant, ivy, *Sasa borealis* and *Ophiopogon japonicus* grow around the camellia grove and *Euonymus fortunei* var. *radicans* grows on nearby rock. A stand of *Lycoris radiata* grows behind the temple.

摘 要

1985年 8월부터 1986年 8월까지 禪雲山の 森林 植生을 Z-M 學派의 方法으로 調査하여 9 個의 群落單位를 識別하였다. 이들을 다른 地域의 植生資料들과 比較 檢討한 結果 禪雲山의 森林群落의 植生分類體系는 다음과 같다.

소나무 群團(Pinion densiflorae Suz.-Tok. 1966)

1. 진달래-소나무 群集(Rhododendro mucronulati-Pinetum densiflorae ass. nov.)
2. 곰솔 群落(*Pinus thunbergii* community)

서어나무 群團(Carpinion laxiflorae all. nov.)

1. 졸참나무-개서어나무 群落(*Quercus serrata*-*Carpinus tschonoskii* community)
2. 갈참나무-개서어나무 群落(*Quercus aliena*-*Carpinus tschonoskii* community)
3. 개서어나무 群集(Carpinetum tschonoskii ass. nov.)

- a. 典型 亞群集(Typical subass.)
- b. 조릿대 亞群集(*Sasa borealis* subass.)

4. 굴참나무 群集(Quercetum variabilis ass. nov.)

- a. 조릿대 亞群集(*Sasa borealis* subass.)
- b. 典型 亞群集(Typical subass.)

5. 서어나무 群集(Carpinetum laxiflorae ass. nov.)

느티나무 群團(Zelkovion serratae Miyawaki *et al.* 1977).

1. 상산-느티나무 群集(Orixo-Zelkovetum serratae Miyawaki et H. Tohma 1975).

- a. 典型 亞群集(Typical subass.)
- b. 차나무 facies(*Thea sinensis* facies)

2. 차나무-동백나무 群落(*Thea sinensis-Camellia japonica* community)

이들중 진달래-소나무 群集, 서어나무 群團, 개서어나무 群集, 굴참나무 群集과 서어나무 群集은 著者들에 의해 命名되었다. 또 이들 群集의 種組成的 構造的 그리고 外觀的 環境 特徵을 記述하였다.

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