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# First Record of a Goby, *Callogobius shunkan* (Perciformes: Gobiidae) from the Southern Coastal Waters of Jejudo Island, Korea

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ABSTRACT We described the first record of *Callogobius shunkan* from Korea, based on two specimens (54.9~66.1 mm in standard length) collected from the southern coastal waters of Jejudo Island. These specimens were characterized by prominent papillae ridges on the head, including postnasal and postorbital rows, well-developed pelvic frenum, dark brownish head, scattered whitish flecks on the body, and three blackish spots on the basal portion of dorsal fins. We proposed a new Korean name, "Ju-reum-mang-dug" for the species.

Key words: Callogobius shunkan, goby, Ju-reum-mang-dug, Jejudo Island

#### INTRODUCTION

During a survey for the exploration of coastal fishes in Korea with SCUBA gear, we encountered an interesting bottom-dwelling goby at a depth of about 15 m in the southern coastal waters of Jejudo Island, Korea, in June 2015. The goby was smaller than 10 cm in length with three blackish saddles on a dark brownish body when alive and was found amongst rubble and on sandy substrates of a relatively steep reef slope. In late September of the same year, two specimens were collected for the first time by a combination of hand net and homemade angling at similar depths from the same locality.

These specimens had well-developed cutaneous sensory papillae on the head and were easily identified as a member of the goby genus *Callogobius* Bleeker, 1874, comprising about currently 25 valid species worldwide among 49 nominal species (Eschmeyer and Fricke, 2016). Of these, the following 10 species have been known from the northwestern Pacific: *C. hasseltii* (Bleeker, 1851); *C. sclateri* (Steindachner, 1879); *C. okinawae* (Snyder, 1908);

C. tanegasimae (Snyder, 1908); C. maculipinnis (Fowler, 1918); C. shunkan Takagi, 1957; C. flavobrunneus (Smith, 1958); C. hastatus McKinney and Lachner, 1978; C. crassus McKinney and Lachner, 1984; Callogobius sp. (sensu Akihito et al., 2013). Although no individuals have been known from the Korean waters until now, we identified the specimens as Callogobius shunkan Takagi, based on morphological accordance with the original description of the species. The species has been known from the Western Pacific, including the east coast of northern Australia, Indonesia, and north to Japan. In the present study, we therefore describe C. shunkan as the first record from Korean waters based on two specimens (54.9~66.1 mm standard length, SL) collected from the southern waters of Jejudo Island.

Counts and measurements generally followed those of Hubbs and Lagler (1964), and the numbering system of sensory papillae rows was those of Akihito and Meguro (1977) and Delventhal and Mooi (2013). The numbers of vertical fin rays and vertebrae were determined using radiographs (Softex CMB-2, Japan). The dorsal fin pterygiophore formula (P-V) followed those of Akihito (1984) in describing the pattern of the interdigitation of the dorsal fin pterygiophores between the neural spines. Voucher specimens are deposited in the fish collection at the National Institute of Biological Resources (NIBR-P), Korea.

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## **TAXONOMIC ACCOUNTS**

# Genus Callogobius Bleeker, 1874

(New Korean name: Ju-reum-mang-dug-sog) Callogobius Bleeker, 1874: 318 (type species: Eleotris hasseltii Bleeker).

Head compressed at preopercular portion; interorbital region narrower than eye diameter; both nostrils tubular and anterior one longer, reaching upper margin of upper lip when depressed; lower jaw more projected than upper jaw, posterior tip of maxilla not beyond anterior margin of eye; lower margin of gill opening beyond posteriorly anterior margin of pelvic girdle; teeth on both jaw unicuspidal. Pit organs on head a single row, pits opening on dermal fold, and teeth on outer row large (Akihito and Meguro, 1977).

# Callogobius shunkan Takagi, 1957

(New Korean name: Ju-reum-mang-dug) (Figs. 1~2; Table 1)

Callogobius shunkan Takagi, 1957: 112, pl. 5, fig. d (type locality: Matsugaura Chiran, Kagoshima Prefecture, Japan); Motomura et al., 2015: 29 (Uji Island, Japan). Callogobius snelliusi: Akihito and Meguro, 1977: 119 (Japan); Akihito et al., 2002: 1169 (Japan).

**Material examined.** Two specimens: NIBR-P0000041563, 66.1 mm in standard length (SL), NIBR-P0000041564, 54.9 mm in SL, collected off Beophwan-dong, Seogwiposi, Jeju-do, Korea, at 15.6~16.6 m depths, on 23 September 2015, by Byung-Jik Kim and Gang-Il Choi, SCUBA gear, a hand net or homemade angling.

**Diagnosis.** A small goby species with prominent papillae ridges on head, including postnasal and postorbital rows, well-developed pelvic frenum, dark brownish head, scattered whitish flecks on body, and three blackish spots on basal portion of dorsal fins when fresh.

**Description.** Dorsal fin rays VI-I, 10; anal fin rays I, 8; pectoral fin rays  $15\sim17$ , upper- and lowermost one or two rays unbranched; pelvic fin rays, I, 5, forming sucking disc, pelvic frenum well-developed; principal caudal fin rays 17; gill rakers 3+9=12; vertebrae 26; P-V 3/II II I I 0/9; scales in longitudinal row  $27\sim29$ ; scales in transverse row  $9\sim10$ ; predorsal scales  $8\sim9$ . Proportion of percentage in SL: body depth at origin of pectoral fin  $17.3\sim18.5$  (mean 17.9); body depth at anal fin origin  $17.3\sim17.7$  (17.5); body width  $18.4\sim18.6$  (18.5); head length  $30.7\sim31.5$  (31.1); head width  $23.3\sim23.5$  (23.4); eye diameter  $6.5\sim6.6$  (6.5); interorbital width  $2.7\sim3.3$  (3.0) at bony part; snout length





**Fig. 1.** Two fresh specimens (A: above, NIBR-P0000041563, 66.1 mm SL, male; below, NIBR-P0000041564, 54.9 mm SL, female) and underwater photograph (B: Seopseom Island, Jeju-do, Korea, 26 September, 2019) of *Callogobius shunkan*, from the southern coastal waters of Jejudo Island, Korea.

 $10.3 \sim 10.7 (10.5)$ ; cheek depth  $6.7 \sim 7.1 (6.9)$ ; upper jaw length  $9.7 \sim 9.8$  (9.8); postorbital length  $14.7 \sim 15.5$  (15.1); snout to origin of first dorsal fin 36.2~36.8 (36.5); snout to origin of second dorsal fin 54.8~55.4 (55.1); snout to origin of pectoral fin 29.5~29.7 (29.6); snout to origin of pelvic fin 29.0~29.7 (29.4); snout to origin of anal fin  $59.8\sim62.1$  (60.9); base of dorsal fins  $43.0\sim46.4$  (44.7); length of first dorsal fin 16.8~24.2 (20.5); length of second dorsal fin 17.1~21.7 (19.4); length of third dorsal spine 16.2~16.6 (16.4); length of second dorsal fin spine 12.6~13.2 (12.9); length of longest soft dorsal ray (penultimate ray)  $18.6 \sim 21.0$  (19.8); length of anal fin spine 6.6~7.1 (6.8); length of longest anal soft ray (penultimate ray)  $20.4 \sim 22.8$  (21.6); length of pectoral fin  $25.9 \sim 27.7$ (26.8); length of pelvic fin 21.7~24.7 (23.2); length of pelvic spine  $6.1\sim6.2$  (6.1); length of caudal fin  $26.6\sim26.9$ (26.8); depth of caudal peduncle  $13.3 \sim 13.5$  (13.4); length

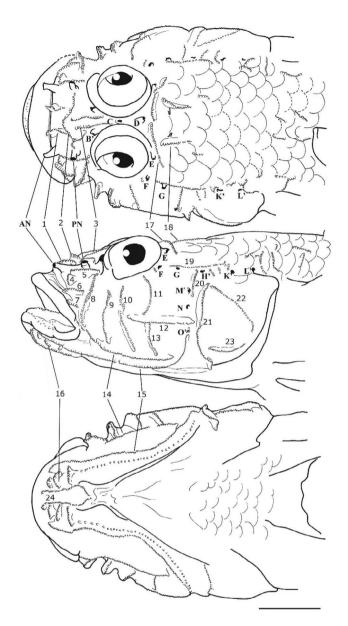
of caudal peduncle 22.6~24.4(23.5).

Body elongate, cylindrical anteriorly, and slightly compressed posteriorly with rather slender caudal peduncle. Head moderate and somewhat depressed anteriorly; papillae ridges well-developed. Mouth small and oblique, lower jaw slightly longer than upper jaw, its posterior tip reaches a vertical at posterior nostril; small conical teeth on upper and lower jaws, in three to four and five to six irregular rows, respectively, outer row enlarged; vomer and palatines without teeth; nostrils tubular, anterior nostril longer than posterior one. Eye rather large, situated dorsally and interorbital space very narrow. Tongue emarginated with a shallow groove at its tip and fused with mouth floor with a thin membrane. Gill opening not wide and gills fused with isthmus. Dorsal fins two and nearly connected to each other by a minute membrane; second dorsal fin slightly lower than first dorsal fin and of nearly equal height as anal fin. First and second spinous rays of first dorsal fin longer than those of other rays. Second dorsal fin and anal fin opposite and similar in shape as each other. Pectoral fin rather large, all rays branched, and its posterior margin reaches a vertical at second dorsal fin origin. Pelvic fin rather large and pelvic frenum well-developed. Caudal fin round and fan-like.

Body with large ctenoid scales except anterior portion of head. Predorsal region and upper part of opercle with cycloid scales. Snout, ventral sides of head, and gill membrane naked.

Cephalic sensory canal pores (Fig. 2): B', C (single), D (single), E, F, G, and H' on preoculoscapular canal; K'and L' on postoculoscapular canal; M', N, and O' on preopercular canal.

Papillae row configuration (Fig. 2): internasal row (Row 1) short; postnasal row rather long and between posterior nostrils (2); interorbital row (3) on anteromedial region between orbitals; oblique premaxillary row (4) very short; preorbital row (5) below nostrils; upper longitudinal premaxillary row (6) rather short; lower longitudinal premaxillary row (7); transverse maxillary (8), anterior suborbital (9), and mid suborbtial (10) rows on anterior portion of cheek; posterior suborbital row (11); longitudinal cheek row (12); transverse cheek row (13); longitudinal maxillary row (14) long beyond transverse cheek row posteriorly; longitudinal mandibular row (15) very long along mandible; transverse mandibular rows (16) three and short; postorbital row (17); upper cranial row (18); lower cranial row (19) on dorsolaterally; preopercular row (20) restricted on upper region of preopercle; transverse opercular row (21) long along anterior region of opercle; oblique opercular row (22); subopercular row (23) rather short; intermandibular (24) on medial region of lower jaw.



**Fig. 2.** Dorsal (above), lateral (middle), and ventral (below) aspects of head region in *Callogobius shunkan* (NIBR-P0000041563, 66.1 mm SL) showing the cephalic sensory canal and papillae. Bar indicates 10 mm.

Color when fresh. Head and body uniformly dark brown with whitish flecks. First dorsal fin yellowish brown with five pale pinkish oblique stripes and second dorsal fin dark brown with three to four rows of pale pinkish dots. Bases of first and second dorsal fins with single and double dots, respectively. Pectoral fin dark brown with irregular whitish stripes and its distal margin whitish. Pelvic and anal fins uniformly blackish with white distal margin. Caudal fin dark with irregular whitish speckles.

Color after preservation. Nearly same as when fresh,

**Table 1.** Comparison of diagnostic characters of Callogobius shunkan between the present study and previous works

	Korean specimens	Takagi (1957)	Akihito and Meguro (1977)
Standard length (mm)	$54.9 \sim 66.1  (n=2)$	$49.0 \sim 59.0  (n=2)$	$31.0 \sim 58.0  (n = 12)$
Dorsal fin rays	VI-I, 10	VI-I, 10	VI-I, 8∼10
Anal fin rays	I, 8	I, 8	I, 7∼8
Pectoral fin rays	15~17	17	17~19
Longitudinal scales	27~29	31~33	26~34
Transverse scales	9~10	_	8~11
Predorsal scales	9	8	6~11
Gill rakers	3+9	$3 + 9^1$	$0 + 8^{1}$
Cutaneous ridges of sensory papillae on head	well-developed	well-developed	well-developed
Dark vertical bars below dorsal fins	three	_	three
Tip of tongue	emarginate	emarginate	emarginate
Pelvic frenum	present	present	present
% in SL			
Head length	$30.7 \sim 31.5 \text{ (mean } 31.1)$	29.1~31.4(30.2)	30.7~33.9 (31.8)
% in head length			
Eye diameter	20.8~21.1 (20.9)	19.7~20.7 (20.2)	18.6~27.4 (20.9)
% in eye diamter			
Interorbital width	41.8~50.0 (45.9)	37.5~50.0 (43.7)	30.8~52.6 (43.5)

Superscription means the number of specimen examined.

except lighter brown on head and body, and yellow and pink color disappeared from body.

**Distribution.** Known from Hong Kong, Japan (Akihito and Meguro, 1977; Akihito *et al.*, 2013), and Korea (present study).

**Remarks.** The specimens collected from the southern coastal waters of Jejudo Island, Korea, were readily assigned as a member of the genus Callogobius Bleeker, based on well-developed cutaneous ridges of sensory papillae on the head (Akihito and Meguro, 1977). Among the 10 valid Callogobius species known from the northwestern Pacific, including Callogobius sp. (sensu Akihito et al., 2013), the present specimens were in good agreement with C. shunkan Takagi, 1957. The specimens had prominent papillae ridges on the head including postnasal and postorbital rows, well-developed pelvic frenum, dark brownish head and body with scattered whitish flecks, and three blackish spots on the basal portion of dorsal fins, as well as major morphometric characters, as shown in Table 1. There was a slight difference in the total number of gill rakers between the present study and Akihito and Meguro (1977). However, it is likely that they missed some small rakers on the upper limb of the gill arch due to their minute size. Although Takagi (1964) treated C. shunkan as a junior synonym of C. snelliusi Koumans, 1953 without any taxonomical consideration, and Akihito and Meguro (1977) subsequently followed Takagi's treatment of the species (Akihito *et al.*, 2013), Takagi (1957) clearly noted that *C. shunkan* differs from the similar species *C. snelliusi* Koumans, 1953 in 10 dorsal and 8 anal soft rays, lower body height, smaller eye, longer snout, and emarginated tongue at the tip. In addition, Akihito *et al.* (2013: 2125) suggested *C. shunkan* as a valid species distinguishable from *C. snelliusi* by the head characteristics, as well as the distribution pattern of scales on the ventral side of the head. The Korean specimens have many small scales on their head, and their anterior limit on the ventral head region is below the preopercle, as mentioned by Akihito *et al.* (2013). The new Korean name, "Ju-reummang-dug", refers to having dermal folds for sensory papillae on the head.

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# 제주도 남부 연안 해역에서 채집된 농어목 망둑어과 한국첫기록종, Callogobius shunkan

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**요** 약: 우리나라 연안성 어류자원 미발굴 분류군 탐색을 위해 제주도 남부 연안해역에서 SCUBA를 이용한 수 중조사 과정 중 2015년 9월 수심 약 15미터에서 망둑어과 한국첫기록종인 *Callogobius shunkan* 2개체(표준 체장 54.9~66.1 mm)를 채집하였다. 본 종은 살아있을 때 암갈색 바탕에 등지느러미 기저부에서 시작하는 3개의 흑갈색 안상반문이 있는 점, 두부 감각관과 잘 발달된 피습에 공기열이 배열되어 있는 점(특히 비공과 안와 후방에 공기열이 있는 점), 배지느러미막이 잘 발달된 점, 흑갈색 바탕의 체색에 백색 반점이 산재하는 특징이 있다. 본 종의 신한 국명으로 '주름망둑'을 제안한다.

**찾아보기 낱말**: Callogobius shunkan, 망둑어류, 주름망둑, 제주도