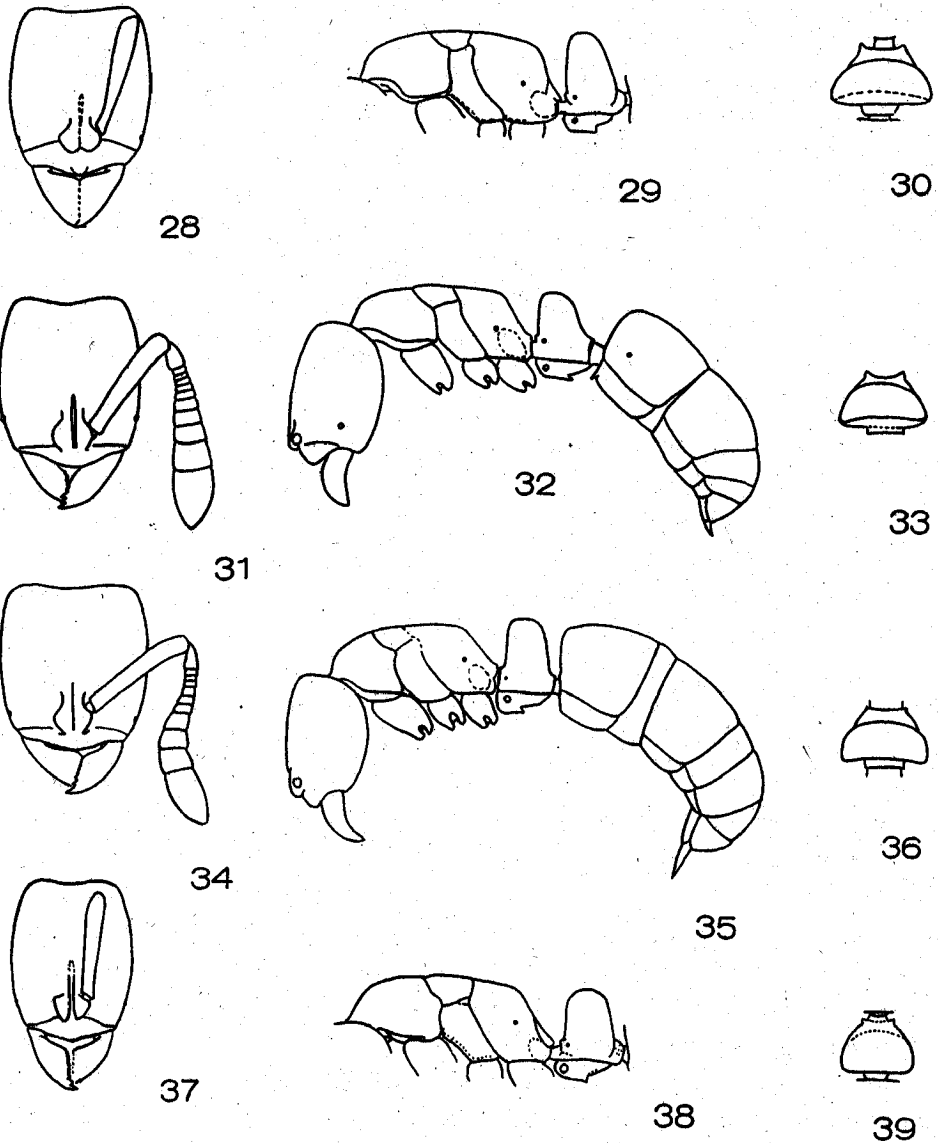


forest.

This new species is close to *P. japonica* Wheeler (Figs. 37~39), but lateral sides of head more straight, only weakly convex; posterodorsal corner of propodeum more prominent, bluntly angled; in dorsal view petiolar node more broader, in profile view the node with anterodorsal corner higher than posterodorsal one.



Figs. 28~39 *Ponera* Workers

28~30. *P. sinensis* Wheeler; 31~33. *P. pianmana*, sp. nov.; 34~36. *P. longlina* Xu; 37~39. *P. japonica* Wheeler. 28, 31, 34, 37. head in full face view; 29, 32, 35, 38. body in profile view; 30, 33, 36, 39. petiolar node in dorsal view; 34~36 after Xu(2001); 28~30, 37~39 after Taylor (1967)