

TYPE LOCALITY: Rosario on Lake Roãgua, Beni, Bolivia.

MAJOR WORKERS: (Fig. 2)

Diagnosis: Eyes small, not salient. Medial pronotal spines tuberciform to prominent, being much more conspicuous than in *landolti*. In *pampanas*, this spine is not developed, and resembles that of *landolti*. Lateral pronotal spines either erect or angled obliquely toward the posterior of the body. Mesonotal crest visible.

Description: EMERY⁹ and WEBER⁵³.

Variation: The variation between colonies in any local population is not great. However, between populations, there is a great deal of variation in cephalic tuberculation, ranging from indistinguishable to pronounced. These characters were those employed by SANTSCH^{46, 47} in distinguishing the subspecies *nivalis* and *senex*, as well as slight variations in the thoracic spine lengths. As such, and due to the wide variation exhibited in these characters, I choose not to

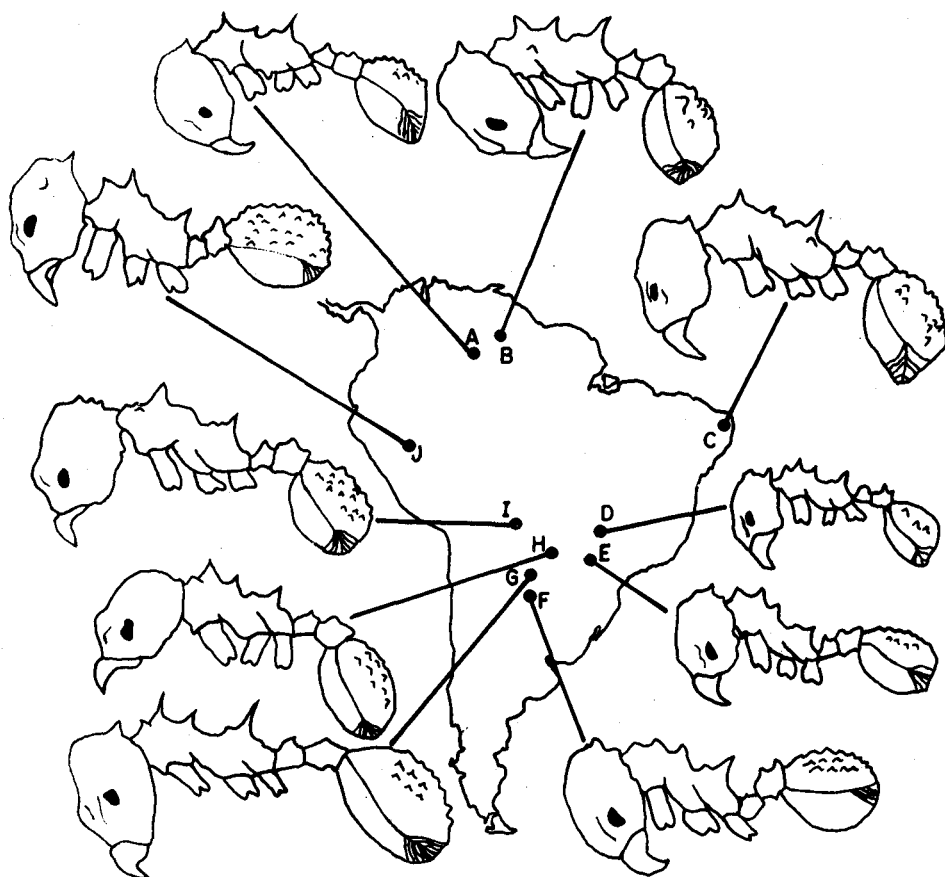


FIG. 2. The distribution and worker variation found in the *landolti* group of species. Letters on the map refer to the following taxa: A = *landolti landolti*; B = *landolti myersi*; C-E = *balzani balzani*; F-G = *fracticornis*; H = *balzani balzani*; I-J = *balzani pampanus*.