

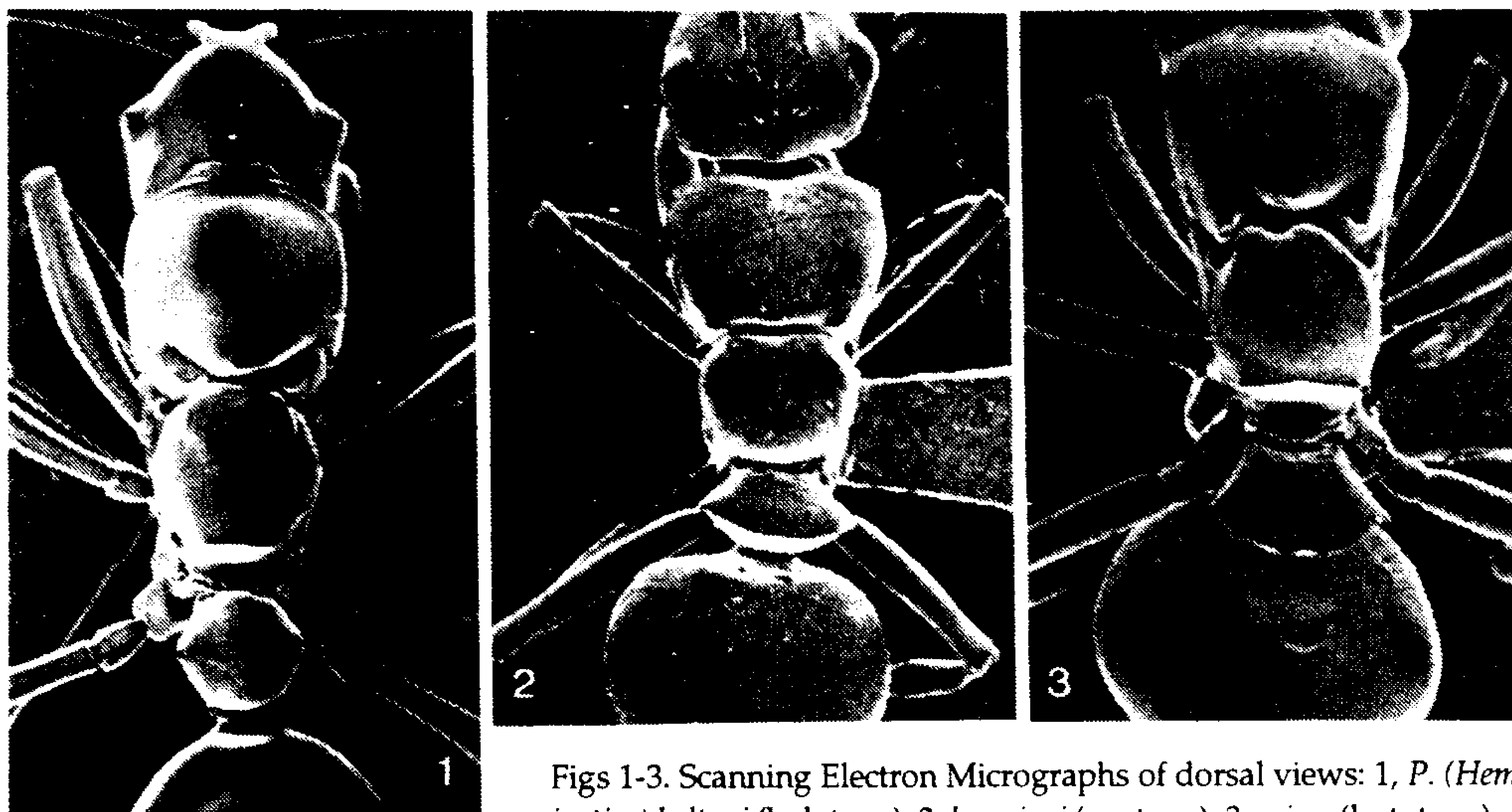
1.47, 1.25-1.43; HW 1.18-1.25, 1.00-1.15; CI 82-85, 80-82; SL 1.65-1.72, 1.47-1.62; SI 138-140, 138-147; PW 1.28, 1.03-1.22; MTL 1.50-1.53, 1.25-1.47 (10 measured).

Mandibles with 5 teeth. Clypeus in profile straight, with the base weakly impressed; the anterior margin arcuate, entire. Frontal carinae only moderately raised; area between them gently excavated anteriorly, weakly convex posteriorly; frontal furrow only marked anteriorly. Antennal scapes distinctly bent at their bases. Eyes entire, moderately large, rather flat; in full face view the eyes at most only marginally exceed the cephalic outline. Ocelli lacking. Sides of head with distinct longitudinal carina, which separates gena from ventral parts of head. Pronotal humeri obtusely angulated; dorsum gently arched, extended posteriorly, shielding greater part of the mesonotal dorsum. Metanotal groove deep, reaching on each side the metathoracic spiracles. Propodeal dorsum arched, anterior angles bluntly angulated; anterior margin gently sinuate, produced forward and partly overhanging the metanotal furrow; dorsum separated from declivity by a distinct, arch-shaped, transverse carina which extends on each side to the propodeal spiracles; declivity shorter than dorsum, concave. Petiole transverse; dorsal edge somewhat emarginated medially; lateral angles terminating in short, distinct denticles. First gastral tergite concave basally.

Mandibles very finely shagreened, with numerous piliferous pits. Anterior clypeal margin with few, moderately large, shallow, setae-bearing pits. Head, mesosoma and gaster rather closely shagreened.

Mandibles with short, semierect hairs. Anterior clypeal margin medially with a few forward directed setae. Head, mesosoma and gaster covered with moderately long, silvery adpressed pubescence, which tends to be somewhat diluted on pronotal dorsum and anterior and posterior faces of petiole. Relatively long erect hairs rather abundant over the whole of the body.

Generally black, with antennae very dark brown, save for their distal ends which are a shade lighter. Legs in syntypes and a queen (Maschwitz coll.) very dark brown



Figs 1-3. Scanning Electron Micrographs of dorsal views: 1, *P. (Hemioptica) boltoni* (holotype); 2, *bugnioni* (syntype); 3, *scissa* (lectotype).