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POPULAR SUMMARY

Class Arachnida

Subclass Acari

Superorder Acariformes

Order Trombididormes

Suborder Prostigmata

Superfamily Tetranychoidea

Family Tenuipalpidae

Members of the family Tenuipalpidae, commonly known as false spider mites, belong to a large group of the obligate plant-feeding mite superfamily Tetranychoidea. These tiny mites, often of a quarter to a third of a millimeter, are also known as flat mites due to their body shape. Some species are of agricultural importance as pests of economic plants or vectors of crop diseases. They are among the common species intercepted on imported fresh produce and are becoming increasingly important in biodiversity. Several species are known as invasive species in recent years. Over 1100 species of the Tenuipalpidae have been described in the world and over 300 species belong to the genus *Tenuipalpus*. In New Zealand, only 9 species of *Tenuipalpus* have been recorded. This book provides both full descriptions of these species from New Zealand and a key to enable their identification.

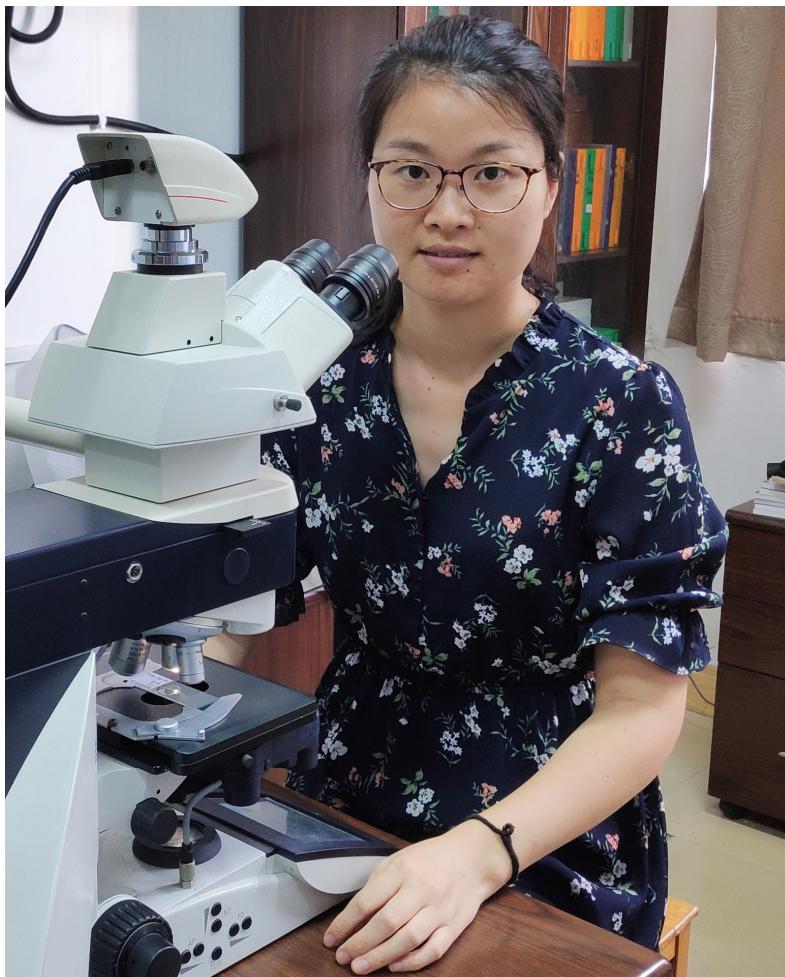


WHAKARĀPOPOTOTANGA

Ko te ingoa kārangaranga o te whānau Tenuipalpidae, ko te pūwereriki pūngāwerewere horihori. Nō tētahi wehenga nui rātou o tētahi whānau ruarangi me mātua kai tipu e ora ai, ko ngāi Tetranychoidea te ingoa. He pūwereriki moroiti noa, kei te takiwā o te hauwhā ki te hautoru mirimita te rahi. Ka kīia anō hoki he pūwereriki papatahi, he papatahi nō te tinana. He pānga ō ētahi ki ngā mahi ahuhrena, inā rā he whakararu tā rātou i ētahi tipu tukuhua ki te ūhangā, he kawe tahumaero hoki i waenga i ētahi momo kai o te māra. Ko rātou anō ētahi o ngā momo e kaha haukotia ana i te taenga mai o ngā kai mata kua tonoa i tāwāhi mā Aotearoa. Kei te nui haere hoki te wāhi ki a rātou i te matahuhuatanga koiora. He maha tonu ngā momo kua kīia he whakaariki i ngā tau tata nei. Nui ake i te 1100 ngā momo Tenuipalpidae kua āta whakaahuatia ā-kupu huri i te ao. Ko tētahi 300 o ērā nō te puninga *Tenuipalpus*. I Aotearoa nei, e 9 noa iho ngā momo *Tenuipalpus* e mōhiotia ana. Kei tēnei pukapuka nei ngā whakaahuatanga ā-kupu roa o ēnei momo o Aotearoa me tētahi ara tautohu e mōhiotia ai ko tēhea tēhea.

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ABSTRACT

The Tenuipalpidae (Acari: Trombidiformes: Tetranychoidea), commonly known as false spider mites or flat mites, are one of the main groups of obligate phytophagous mites of importance in agriculture and horticulture. They can cause significant damage to host plants, by feeding and vectoring diseases of plants, and are among the common species intercepted on imported fresh produce; several species are known as invasive species in different regions of the world. *Tenuipalpus* is the largest genus in the family and currently comprises over 300 species of worldwide distribution. In New Zealand, nine species have been recognized and are described here in detail and illustrated with line drawings. A key to adult females of *Tenuipalpus* from New Zealand is provided to assist identification. The ontogenetic changes of *T. antipodus* and *T. mahoensis* in idiosomal and leg chaetotaxy on the female, male, deutonymph, protonymph and larva are also presented.

Keywords: Acari, Prostigmata, Tenuipalpidae, taxonomy, morphology, key, New Zealand

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INTRODUCTION

The genus *Tenuipalpus* belongs to the family Tenuipalpidae (Trombidiformes: Prostigmata: Tetranychoidea). The Tenuipalpidae, commonly known as false spider mites or flat mites, is a large family of obligate plant-feeding mites and is of worldwide distribution. Over 1100 species of tenuipalpid mites belonging to 40 genera are known (Mesa *et al.* 2009; Beard & Ochoa 2011; Navajas & Ochoa 2013; Beard *et al.* 2013; Bread *et al.* 2014; Hasavand *et al.* 2018), and many others are yet to be discovered.

Tenuipalpus are phytophagous and some species are economically important to agriculture and horticulture. They also have significance in quarantine, and species such as *T. granati*, *T. antipodes* and *T. punicae* are considered as foreign pests of agricultural and environmental significance to the United States (Childers *et al.* 2006). *T. heveae* is believed to have true potential for becoming a serious pest of rubber trees in some areas of Brazil (Feres *et al.* 2010). *T. hornotinus* has been considered as a serious pest of guavas in China (Abudukeyimu *et al.* 2010).

The genus *Tenuipalpus* was erected by Donnadiue (1875), but there have been a lot of controversies since then. It was regarded as a junior synonym of *Brevipalpus* by Sayed (1942) but was later then recognized as a valid genus distinct from *Brevipalpus* (Baker 1945, Sayed 1950). Mitrofanov (1973) erected five genera, namely *Aegyptopalpus*, *Colopalpus*, *Deleonipalpus*, *Gnathopalpus* and *Tuttlepalpus*, which were later treated as synonyms of *Tenuipalpus* (Meyer, 1979). Meyer (1979) reviewed the 162 species of *Tenuipalpus* of the world. Subsequently, more acarologists were committed to the study of the Tenuipalpidae, including Mohanasundaram (1981), Gutierrez and Schicha (1982), Sadana (1980, 1984), Salas and Ochoa (1985, 1986), Ma & Yuan (1980, 1981), Wang (1980, 1983) and so on. Al-Gboory (1987) reviewed the false spider mites in Iraq. Baker and Yin (1988) catalogued 145 species and seven genera of the false spider mites in the United States. Flechtmann (1994) described 1 new species from Brazil. Ehara and his colleagues described two new species from Japan (Ehara 1982, Ehara & Ueckermann 2003). Hasan Wakil and Bashir described five new species from Pakistan (Hasan *et al.* 2004 a & b, 2006). To date, this genus comprises over 320 species in the world (Mesa *et al.* 2009; Castro & Feres 2013; Flechtmann & Noronha 2013; Castro *et al.* 2015; Castro *et al.* 2016a; Castro *et al.* 2016b; Ueckermann & Ripka 2016; Welbourn *et al.* 2017; Hasavand *et al.* 2018; Khadem Safdarkhani *et al.* 2018; Xu *et al.* 2018).

In New Zealand, taxonomic studies of *Tenuipalpus* started in the mid-1960s. Collyer first described and illustrated two new species (Collyer 1964), and later published a series of studies. In 1973, she described four new species and reviewed the 105 species of the world including seven species from New Zealand (Collyer 1973a, b). Gerson & Collyer (1984) described a new species in New Zealand. Nine species of *Tenuipalpus* have thus far been known to occur in New Zealand: *T. alpinus*, *T. antipodus*, *T. cyatheae*, *T. elegans*, *T. mahoensis*, *T. montanus*, *T. rangiorae*, *T. senecionis*, and *T. venustus*. Here we have redescribed and illustrated the nine species. The ontogenetic development patterns of the two species (*T. antipodus* and *T. mahoensis*) are examined and all the life stages and the variation in the chaetotaxy of the idiosoma and legs are presented. A key to New Zealand species of the genus is also provided.

EXTERNAL MORPHOLOGY

Gnathosoma (Fig. 2). Similar to Tetranychidae that carries the paired chelicerae and palps. Chelicerae consolidated to form stylophore and stylets. Palps simple, 1–4 segmented, the number of palpal segments and the setae form and number on each segment are often used in characterizing different species.

Idiosoma (Fig. 1). The idiosoma is divided into propodosoma and hysterosoma by sejugal furrows. Hysterosoma consists of metapodosoma (bearing legs III and IV) and opisthosoma (posterior to legs IV). The prodorsum bears two pairs of simple eyes and 3 pairs of setae. The hysterosoma bears 7–10 pairs of setae (dorsocentral setae c_1 , d_1 and e_1 , humeral seta c_3 and dorsolateral setae d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_1 and h_2). Setae c_3 , d_3 , e_3 , f_3 , h_1 and h_2 are considered to be stable setae, being present in all known species of *Tenuipalpus*; setae h_2 are elongate and whip-like. Most species of *Tenuipalpus* have three pairs of dorsocentral setae, sometimes with two pairs (c_1 and e_1 or d_1 and e_1) and rarely with only one pair (c_1). Dorsal setae vary in shape/structure: simple, smooth, lanceolate or palm-like. The number of dorsal setae is often used in characterizing the different groups (Baker & Tuttle 1987;

Meyer 1993). The venter of idiosoma has 9 pairs of coxal setae $1a$, $1b$, $1c$, $2b$, $2c$, $3a$, $3b$, $4a$ and $4b$. Ventral and genital plates are usually well developed and often fused, with a pair of aggenital setae ag and two pairs of genital setae g_1 and g_2 ; anal plate bears 2–3 pairs of setae $ps_{1,3}$. The coxal setae $1a$, $3a$ and $4a$ are situated medially between the bases of coxae. The number of setae $3a$ and $4a$ vary among groups (e.g. one to two pairs of $3a$ and one to four pairs of setae $4a$) and have been used in the subgroup classification of *Tenuipalpus* (Baker & Tuttle 1987; Meyer 1993). Male aedeagus is narrow, sclerotised, finely tapered distally, with membranous duct running from inside, terminating in a trumpet-shaped tip (Fig. 61).

Legs (Fig. 3). Leg consists of 6 segments: coxa, trochanter, femur, genu, tibia, and tarsus. Pretarsal claws have tenent hairs on each side; empodium developed, similar to claws, with tenent hairs on each side; tarsi I–II each with a solenidion ω '. The number of setae on each segment is often used in characterizing different species.

Idiosomal setation and ontogeny. The dorsal idiosomal setae and pseudanal setae are present throughout all stages. Ventral setae $1c$, $2c$ and $3b$ are added in the protonymph, $2b$, $4a$ and $4b$ added in deutonymph. Aggenital setae ag occur in the protonymph; the first pair of genital setae g_1 appear in the deutonymph and the second pair g_2 are added in adult.

Leg setation, ontogeny and phylogeny (Tables 1–4). Leg chaetotaxy is of potential significance in taxonomy (Seeman & Beard 2011). In our study, the ontogenetic changes of New Zealand *Tenuipalpus* are reviewed for two species: *T. antipodus* and *T. mahoensis* (Table 1).

Table 1. Ontogeny of leg chaetotaxy in *T. antipodus* (Ta) and *T. mahoensis* (Tm). Setae are indicated where they are first added. Setae in parentheses represent pairs. Hyphen indicates no additions.

	Coxae	Trochanters	Femora	Genua	Tibiae	Tarsi
Leg I						
Larva—Ta	$1b$	-	d, v' , bv''	l'	$d, (l), (v)$	$(u), p'\zeta, p''\zeta, ft', ft'', \omega''$
Larva—Tm	$1b$	-	d, v' , bv''	l'	$d, (l), (v)$	$(u), p'\zeta, p''\zeta, ft', ft'', \omega''$
Protonymph—Ta	$1c$	-	-	-	-	-
Protonymph—Tm	$1c$	-	-	-	-	-
Deutonymph—Ta	-	v'	l'	l''	-	(tc)
Deutonymph—Tm	-	v'	l'	d, l''	-	(tc)
Female—Ta	-	-	-	d	-	-
Female—Tm	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male—Ta	-	-	-	d	-	ω'
Male—Tm	-	-	-	-	-	ω'
Leg II						
Larva—Ta	-	-	d, v' , bv''	l'	$d, (l), (v)$	$(u), p'\zeta, p''\zeta, ft', ft'', \omega''$
Larva—Tm	-	-	d, v' , bv''	l'	$d, (l), (v)$	$(u), p'\zeta, p''\zeta, ft', ft'', \omega''$
Protonymph—Ta	$2c$	-	-	-	-	-
Protonymph—Tm	$2c$	-	-	-	-	-
Deutonymph—Ta	$2b$	v'	l'	l''	-	(tc)
Deutonymph—Tm	$2b$	v'	l'	d, l''	-	-
Female—Ta	-	-	-	d	-	-
Female—Tm	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male—Ta	-	-	-	d	-	ω'
Female—Tm	-	-	-	-	-	ω'

.....continued

Table 1 (continued).

	Coxae	Trochanters	Femora	Genua	Tibiae	Tarsi
Leg III						
Larva—Ta	-	-	d, ev'	-	d, (v)	(u), ft'
Larva—Tm	-	-	d, ev'	l'	d, (v)	(u), ft'
Protonymph—Ta	3b	l'	-	-	-	-
Protonymph—Tm	3b	l'	-	-	-	-
Deutonymph—Ta	-	v'	-	l'	-	(tc)
Deutonymph—Tm	-	v'	-	-	-	(tc)
Female—Ta	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female—Tm	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male—Ta	-	-	-	-	-	-
Female—Tm	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leg IV						
Protonymph—Ta	-	-	ev'	-	d, (v)	(u), ft'
Protonymph—Tm	-	-	ev'	-	d, (v)	(u), ft'
Deutonymph—Ta	4b	-	-	-	-	-
Deutonymph—Tm	4b	-	-	-	-	-
Female—Ta	-	v'	-	l'	-	(tc)
Female—Tm	-	v'	-	-	-	(tc)
Male—Ta	-	v'	-	l'	-	(tc)
Male—Tm	-	v'	-	-	-	(tc)

* Leg IV absent in larva.

Table 2. Trochanteral and femoral setae in the adult female of *Tenuipalpus* of New Zealand.

	Tr I-II	Tr III	Tr IV	Fe I-II				Fe III			Fe IV	
	v'	l'	v'	v'	d	v	bv"	l'	d	ev'	d	ev'
<i>T. alpinus</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. antipodus</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
<i>T. cyatheae</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. elegans</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. mahoensis</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
<i>T. montanus</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. rangiorae</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
<i>T. senecionis</i>	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
<i>T. venustus</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+

The basic pattern of trochanteral setae of *Tenuipalpus* is 1-1-2-1. Seta v' is present on all trochanters and seta l' only appears on trochanter III, which is consistent with the theory of Lindquist (1985). While *T. senecionis* is featured with the trochanters 1-1-1-1, consistent with the general pattern found on Tetranychidae with v' present on trochanters I-II and IV, and l' on trochanter III. Seta v' first appears on trochanters I-III in the deutonymph and is suppressed on trochanter IV until adult; seta l' appears on trochanter III in the protonymph. In the genus

Tenuipalpus, the basic setae pattern on femora is 3-3-2-1 indicated by Lindquist (1985). Larva bearing setae *d*, *v'* and *bv''* on femora I-II, and setae *d* and *ev'* on femur III. Seta *ev'* or *d*, *ev'* on femur IV appears in the protonymph and *l'* is added on femora I-II in the deutonymph. The pattern on genua I-IV is varied, including 2-2-1-0, 3-3-1-1, 3-3-1-0 and 3-2-0-0. Lateral seta *l'* appears on genua in the larva and setae *d* and *l''* are added to genua I-II in the deutonymph. The basic protonymphal pattern of tibiae is 5-5-3-3, and no ontogenetic additions occur after protonymph. On tarsi, the basic pattern in the deutonymph is 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5, resembling that in the adult. The only additions on tarsi are setae *tc'* and *tc''*, which occur in the deutonymph.

Table 3. Genual and tibial setae in the adult female of *Tenuipalpus* of New Zealand.

	Ge I			Ge II			Ge III	Ge IV	Ti I-II						Ti III-IV		
	<i>d</i>	<i>l'</i>	<i>l''</i>	<i>d</i>	<i>l'</i>	<i>l''</i>			<i>d</i>	<i>v'</i>	<i>v''</i>	<i>l'</i>	<i>l''</i>	<i>d</i>	<i>v'</i>	<i>v''</i>	
<i>T. alpinus</i>	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. antipodus</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. cyatheae</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. elegans</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. mahoensis</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. montanus</i>	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. rangiorae</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
<i>T. senecionis</i>	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
<i>T. venustus</i>	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

Table 4. Tarsal setae on the adult females of *Tenuipalpus* of New Zealand.

	Ta I-II								Ta III-IV							
	<i>ft'</i>	<i>ft''</i>	<i>u'</i>	<i>u''</i>	<i>p'ζ</i>	<i>p''ζ</i>	<i>tc'</i>	<i>tc''</i>	<i>ω''</i>	<i>ft'</i>	<i>u'</i>	<i>u''</i>	<i>tc'</i>	<i>tc''</i>		
<i>T. alpinus</i>	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. antipodus</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. cyatheae</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. elegans</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. mahoensis</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. montanus</i>	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. rangiorae</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. senecionis</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>T. venustus</i>	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

LIFE HISTORY AND BIOLOGY

The biology of Tenuipalpidae is poorly known and only a few species (considered of high economic importance), such as *Brevipalpus obovatus*, *B. phoenicis*, *B. californicus*, *Raoiella indica*, *Tenuipalpus granati*, *T. heveae*, *T. pacificus*, *T. punicae*, etc., have been studied for their life cycle, including egg, larva, protonymph, deutonymph, and adult stages. They usually live and move slowly on the lower surface of leaves along midribs or veins. They are

dispersed most likely by wind currents and the transport of infested plants or leaves. The eggs are red, ovoid or oblong, with a thin hair at one end. The duration of the life cycle largely depends upon temperature and humidity. The average duration of egg, larva, pronymph, deutonymph, adult stage of *T. pacificus* is about 9.45, 4.58, 4.51, 4.66, 31.92 days at temperature and relative humidity of 28 ± 2 °C and $57\pm 3\%$ respectively (Channabasavanna & Viraktamath 1986). In India, *T. pacificus* is active throughout the year on dendrobium orchid under a polyhouse and has peak activities during the last week of September (Shukla & Radadia 2018). Also in India, *T. pernicios* is a dominant mite species on guava plants, with peak population in June (Ghoshal & Barman 2012). In Brazil, *T. heveae* is a major pest on rubber trees, with infestation peaking between mid-January and late February (Castro *et al.* 2013); developmental time from egg to adult averages about 25 days at fluctuating temperatures of 28 ± 1 °C during light phase and 25 ± 1 °C during dark phase (Feres *et al.* 2010). The generation time of *T. punicae* changed from 17.8 days at average temperature 27.3 °C to 44.8 days at average temperature 18.0 °C (Zaher & Yousef 1972). Females may live for 1–2 months. For instance, *T. granati* survived for 29.1 days at 23.6 °C and 55.4% RH, but only 17.6 days at 30 °C and 63.5% RH (Yousef *et al.* 1980). False spider mites overwinter as females for an average of 122.5–149.4 days (Zaher & Yousef 1972, Yousef *et al.* 1980). The oviposition rate was 1–1.8 eggs per female per day (Yousef *et al.* 1980, Pontier *et al.* 2000, Zhang 2003, Feres *et al.* 2010). Males were very rare and females reproduced mainly parthenogenetically. In the mating process, the male moves under the female, bending his posterior up and forwards to mate (see cover image: *T. mahoensis*).

METHODS AND CONVENTIONS

More than 905 mites, including 432 adult females, 143 adult males, 137 deutonymphs, 68 protonymphs and 95 larvae, mounted on 105 slides from New Zealand Arthropod Collection (NZAC) in Landcare Research, Auckland, New Zealand, were studied and examined at 400 x and 1000 x using DIC Nikon E800 and Leica DM5000B microscope. All measurements were made from slide-mounted specimens using a stage-calibrated ocular ruler and are given in micrometers (μm). Measurements of the holotype are presented, followed by a range of paratypes in brackets. Body size was measured by v_2-h_1 and sc_2-sc_2 (Saito *et al.* 1999). Setae were measured from the centre of the setal base to the tip of the seta; distances between setae were measured from the centre of one setal base to that of the other. Legs were measured from the base of the trochanter to the distal end of tarsus (excluding pretarsus). Coxal setae counts exclude $1a$, $3a$ and $4a$. Terminology follows Zhang & Fan (2004) and Seeman & Beard (2011), which was adapted from Lindquist (1985).

List of abbreviations

Gnathosoma

m = subcapitular seta

ω = solenidion

Idiosoma

v_2 = vertical seta on prodosum

sc_1 = internal scapular seta on prodosum

sc_2 = external scapular seta on prodosum

c_1 = first dorsocentral seta on prodosum

c_3 = humeral seta on hysterosoma

d_1 = second dorsocentral seta on hysterosoma

d_3 = first dorsolateral seta on hysterosoma

e_1 = third dorsocentral seta on hysterosoma

e_3 = second dorsolateral seta on hysterosoma

f_2 = third dorsolateral seta on hysterosoma

f_3 = fourth dorsolateral seta on hysterosoma

h_1 = sixth dorsolateral seta on hysterosoma
 h_2 = fifth dorsolateral seta on hysterosoma
 $1a$ = anterior or first medioventral seta
 $1b$ = first pair of coxal setae associated with base of legs I
 $1c$ = second pair of coxal setae associated with base of legs I
 $2b$ = first pair of coxal setae associated with base of legs II
 $2c$ = second pair of coxal setae associated with base of legs II
 $3a$ = middle or second medioventral seta
 $3b$ = coxal setae associated with bases of legs III
 $4a_1$ = first pair of posterior or third medioventral setae
 $4a_2$ = second pair of posterior or third medioventral setae
 $4b$ = coxal setae associated with bases of legs IV
 ag = aggenital seta
 g_1 = first genital seta
 g_2 = second genital seta
 ps_1 = first pseudanal seta or anal seta
 ps_2 = second pseudanal seta or anal seta
 ps_3 = third pseudanal seta or anal seta

Leg

d = dorsal seta
 v = ventral seta
 l = lateral seta
 $p\zeta$ = proral seta
 u = unguinal seta
 tc = tectal seta
 ft = fastigial seta
 ω = solenidion

DESCRIPTIONS

Genus *Tenuipalpus* Donnadieu, 1875

Tenuipalpus Donnadieu, 1875: 139; **Type species:** *Tenuipalpus palmatus* Donnadieu, 1875: 139; Baker, 1945: 34; Baker & Pritchard, 1953: 317; Baker & Pritchard, 1960: 564; Baker & Tuttle, 1972: 31; Baker, Tuttle & Abbatiello, 1975: 4; Chaudhri, 1971: 203; Collyer, 1973b: 915; De Leon, 1965: 65; Evans et al. 1993: 129; Gonzalez, 1968: 38; Hatzinikolis, 1987: 56; Litschitz & Mitrofanov, 1967: 9; Lo, 1969: 99; Lo, 1986: 276; Ma & Yuan, 1980: 118; Maninder & Ghai, 1978: 243; Meyer, 1979: 3; Meyer, 1993: 1; Meyer & Gerson, 1981: 68; Mitrofanov, 1973: 1318; Nassar & Ghai, 1981: 381; Pritchard & Baker, 1951: 41; Pritchard & Baker, 1958: 235; Rimando, 1962: 41; Smiley & Gerson, 1995: 39; Womersley, 1940: 236.

Aegyptopalpus Mitrofanov, 1973: 1318. Type species: *Tenuipalpus granati* Sayed, 1946, synonym according to Meyer 1979: 3.

Colopalpus Pritchard & Baker, 1958: 258. Type species: *Tenuipalpus caudatus* Dugés (= *T. palmatus* Donnadieu), synonym according to Meyer 1979: 3.

Deleoniopalpus Mitrofanov, 1973: 1319. Type species: *Tenuipalpus barticanus* De Leon, 1965, synonym according to Meyer 1979: 4.

Gnathopalpus Mitrofanov, 1973: 1318. Type species: *Tenuipalpus rosae* Kadzhaja, 1955, synonym according to Meyer 1979: 4.

Tuttlepalpus Mitrofanov, 1973: 1318. Type species: *Tenuipalpus trisetosus* Baker and Tuttle, 1964, synonym according to Meyer 1979: 3.

Diagnosis. Adult Female. Palp 1–4 segmented; rostral shield strongly pitted medially and broadly projected; idiosoma widest at posterior margin of prodosum, narrowing abruptly at base of opisthosoma, then expanding posteriorly; prodosum with three pairs of setae (v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2); hysterosoma with 7–10 pairs of setae: c_1 , d_1 , e_1 present or absent (but at least one pair of dorsocentral setae present), f_2 present or absent, d_3 , e_3 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1 present;

seta h_2 elongate and whip-like; ventral setae $3a$ and $4a$ may be multiplied: $3a$ (one to two pairs) and $4a$ (one to four pairs); ventral and genital plates usually developed, often fused; genital setae g_1 and g_2 inserted at posterior margin of genital shield; anal plate bearing 2–3 pairs of setae.

Adult male. Similar to female in most aspects but with a smaller body than female. Hysterosoma divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by narrow band of horizontal striations; with an aedeagus and seminal vesicle; pseudanal setae ps_1 or ps_2 , often stout and bearing a cone.

Description. Adult female (Fig. 53–58). Gnathosoma (Fig. 2). Chelicerae consolidated to form stylophore and stylets. Palps simple, 1–4 segmented, the distal segment generally bearing 1 solenidion ω and 1 eupathidium or 2 setae (1 simple seta and 1 eupathidium). Subcapitulum with two pairs of adoral setae (or_1 and or_2), simple and minute, and one pair of subcapitular setae m , smooth or barbed.

Idiosoma (Fig. 53–56). Dorsal shield sclerotized with striations or reticulations. Prodorsum bearing two pairs of simple eyes and three pairs of dorsal setae (v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2). Vertical setae v_2 situated at anterior margin of prodorsal shield, and followed by scapular setae sc_1 and sc_2 . Setae v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2 varied, smooth or barbed or lanceolate, sc_2 obviously enlarged and longer than setae v_2 and sc_1 . The eyes situated between setae sc_1 and sc_2 . Hysterosoma usually bearing three pairs of dorsocentral setae (c_1 , d_1 and e_1), rarely with two pairs (e.g. c_1 absent in *T. alpinus* and *T. montanus*) and sometimes with only one pair (e.g. d_1 and e_1 absent in *T. cyatheaee* and *T. elegans*), situated at the dorsocentral area; one pair of humeral setae (c_3) and five to six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1 or d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1) situated dorsolaterally; all hysterosomal setae varied, smooth or barbed or lanceolate, except setae h_2 elongate and whip-like. Setae c_1 , d_1 , e_1 and d_3 often obviously short, setae f_2 , f_3 and h_1 often in the similar structure. Coxae fused with ventral idiosoma, coxa I with setae $1a$, $1b$ and $1c$, coxa II with setae $2b$ and $2c$, coxa III with setae $3a$ and $3b$ and coxa IV with setae $4a$ and $4b$. Ventral and genital plates developed, often slightly sclerotized and fused, with a pair of aggenital setae ag and two pairs of genital setae g_1 and g_2 ; plicate cuticle of ovipore not exposed; anal plates commonly with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2), rarely with three pairs (e.g. ps_3 present in *T. alpinus*, *T. venustus* and *T. mahoensis*).

Legs (Figs. 57–58). Pretarsal claws present with tenent hairs on each side; empodium developed, similar to claws, with tenent hairs on each side; tarsi I–II each with a solenidion ω'' . Counts of setae on legs I–IV: coxae 2, 2, 1, 1; trochanters 1, 1, 2, 1, rarely 1, 1, 1, 1 (*T. senencionis*); femora 4, 4, 2, 2 or 4, 4, 2, 1; genua 2–3, 2–3, 0–1, 0–1; tibiae 5, 5, 3, 3, rarely 3, 3, 3, 3 (e.g. *T. rangiorae* and *T. senencionis*); tarsi 8+ ω , 8+ ω , 5, 5 or 7+ ω , 7+ ω , 5, 5. Ventral setae on trochanters, femora and tibiae pectinate or setiform, setae bv'' on femur II, dorsal and lateral setae on femora, genua and tibiae generally in similar structure, such as lanceolate, barbed, pine-like or palm-like. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' lanceolate or barbed; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' barbed or smooth; eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like.

Adult male (Figs. 59–64). Similar to adult female, but differing in: hysterosoma divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by few light horizontal striations; second or third pseudanal setae often stout and cone-shaped; genital and anal openings fused, having aedeagus; aedeagus narrow, sclerotised, finely tapered distally, membranous duct runs from inside aedeagus, terminating in trumpet-shaped ends; pseudanal setae ps_2 stout and with a cone; tarsi I–II with two pairs of solenidion ω' and ω'' ; solenidion ω' on tarsi III–IV absent or present (e.g. *T. alpinus* and *T. venustus*).

Deutonymph (Figs. 65–69). Similar to adult but idiosoma smooth, with faint transversal striations anterior to setae d_1 , setae v_2 , sc_1 , c_1 , d_1 , e_1 and d_3 minute; only with genital setae g_1 but without genital folds; trochanter IV without setae. Setae on legs generally similar to female in structure, setae l' on trochanter III, d on femur III, bv'' on femur II and l'' on genua I–II sometimes enlarged (e.g. *T. antipodus*).

Protonymph (Figs. 70–74). Similar to deutonymph but without setae $2b$, $4a$, $4b$ and genital setae; trochanters I–II and IV nude, trochanter III with setae l' .

Larva (Figs. 75–78). Similar to protonymph but without leg IV and aggenital setae ag ; coxal setae $1c$, $2c$ and $3b$ absent; trochanters I–III nude.

Remarks. Mesa *et al.* (2009) and Beard *et al.* (2013) generalized the characters of the genus *Tenuipalpus*: palp 1–3 segmented and anal plate carrying two pairs of pseudanal setae. Yet when examining the types of *Tenuipalpus* of New Zealand, we found these characters to be incorrect. The correct characters are revised as follows: palp 1–4 segmented and 2–3 pairs of pseudanal setae.

Tenuipalpus is similar to the genera *Brevipalpus*, *Colopalpus*, *Tenuilichus* and *Ultratenuipalpus*, differing from *Brevipalpus* and *Ultratenuipalpus* by having setae h_2 elongate and whip-like (setae h_2 normal, structure similar to other dorsolateral setae in *Brevipalpus* and *Ultratenuipalpus*); and differing from *Tenuilichus* by having at least one pair of dorsocentral setae (c_1 , d_1 and e_1) (dorsocentral setae absent in *Tenuilichus*); and differing from *Colopalpus* by idiosoma widest at posterior margin of prodosum, narrowing abruptly at base of opisthosoma, then expanding posteriorly, setae d inserted in lateral position on femora, genua and tibiae (*Colopalpus* having elongate-ovate idiosoma, setae d inserted in the dorsal position on femora, genua and tibiae).

Key to different life cycle stages of *Tenuipalpus*

1. Idiosoma with three pairs of legs; venter without aggenital setae ag and gential setae (g_1 and g_2); coxae I–III with 1-0-0 setae Larva
- Idiosoma with four pairs of legs; venter with at least aggenital setae ag or gential setae (g_1 and g_2); coxae I–III with 2-1-1 or 2-2-1 setae 2
2. Venter without gential setae; coxae with 2-1-1-0 setae; trochanters with 0-0-1-0 setae Protonymph
- Venter with at least one pair of gential setae g_1 ; coxae with 2-2-1-1 setae; trochanters with 1-1-2-0 or 1-1-2-1 setae 3
3. Venter with one pair of gential setae g_1 ; trochanters with 1-1-2-0 setae Deutonymph
- Venter with two pair of gential setae g_1 and g_2 ; trochanters with 1-1-2-1 setae Adult...4
4. Hysterosoma divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by a narrow band of horizontal striations; with an aedeagus and seminal vesicle; pseudanal setae ps_2 or ps_3 , often stout and with a cone Male
- Hysterosoma smooth; without aedeagus and seminal vesicle; pseudanal setae slender and smooth Female

Key to adult females of New Zealand *Tenuipalpus*

1. Palp 4-segmented; dorsocentral seta c_1 absent; two pairs of posterior medioventral setae $4a_1$ and $4a_2$ 2
- Palp 1–3 segmented; seta c_1 present; one pair of posterior medioventral setae $4a$ 3
2. Seta sc_2 slender, smooth and about twice as long as sc_1 ; prodorsum covered with few broken longitudinal striations posterior to sc_1 *T. alpinus* Collyer
- Seta sc_2 lanceolate and about 3 times as long as sc_1 ; prodorsum covered with curved striations between sc_1 – sc_1 , U-shaped *T. montanus* Collyer
3. Palp 1-segmented; tibiae I–IV with 3, 3, 3, 3 setae 4
- Palp 2–3 segmented; tibiae I–IV with 5, 5, 3, 3 setae 5
4. Setae v_2 and sc_1 subequal in length, sc_2 about twice as long as v_2 ; setae d_1 and e_1 subequal in length; trochanters I–IV with 1, 1, 2, 1 setae; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 0, 0 setae *rangiorae* Collyer
- Setae v_2 longest, about 1.3 times as long as sc_2 ; setae d_1 about twice as long as e_1 ; trochanters I–IV with 1, 1, 1 setae; genua I–IV with 3, 2, 0, 0 setae *T. senecionis* Collyer
5. Setae d_1 and e_1 absent; femora I–IV with 4, 4, 2, 2 setae; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 0, 0 setae 6
- Setae d_1 and e_1 present; femora I–IV with 4, 4, 2, 1 setae; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 1 or 3, 3, 1, 0 or 2, 2, 0, 0 setae 7
6. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; palp tibia with one forked seta; 20–21 pairs of porose patches situated at podosomal venter *T. cyatheaee* Gerson & Collyer
- Palp 2-segmented, setal formula: 1, 1; palp tibia with one rod-like seta near distal portion; podosomal venter without porose patches *T. elegans* Collyer
7. Two pairs of pseudanal setae ps_1 and ps_2 ; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 1 setae *T. antipodus* Collyer
- Three pairs of pseudanal setae ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3 ; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 0 or 2, 2, 0, 0 setae 8
8. Genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 0 setae; tarsus I–IV with 8+ ω , 8+ ω , 5, 5 setae; prodorsum smooth, divided into 3 regions by longitudinal striations laterad to sc_1 ; hysterosoma with conical projection of body anterior to coax III *T. mahoensis* Collyer

- Genua I–IV with 2, 2, 0, 0 setae; tarsus I–IV with $7+\omega$, $7+\omega$, 5, 5 setae; prodorsum mesally covered with reticulations surrounded by two strong longitudinal wrinkles, and laterally bearing few reticulations and irregular striae; hysterosoma without conical projection..... *T. venustus* Collyer

Key to adult males of New Zealand *Tenuipalpus*

1. Palp 4-segmented; dorsocentral seta c_1 absent; two pairs of posterior medioventral setae $4a_1$ and $4a_2$ *T. alpinus* Collyer
- Palp 1 or 3 segmented; seta c_1 present; one pair of posterior medioventral setae $4a$ 2
2. Palp 1-segmented; tibiae I–IV with 3, 3, 3, 3 setae 3
- Palp 3-segmented; tibiae I–IV with 5, 5, 3, 3 setae 4
3. Setae v_2 and sc_1 subequal in length, sc_2 about twice as long as v_2 ; trochanters I–IV with 1, 1, 2, 1 setae; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 0, 0 setae *T. rangiorae* Collyer
- Setae v_2 longest, more than 1.5 times as long as sc_2 ; trochanters I–IV with 1, 1, 1, 1 setae; genua I–IV with 3, 2, 0, 0 setae *T. senecionis* Collyer
4. Setae d_1 and e_1 absent; femora I–IV with 4, 4, 2, 2 setae; setae v_2 and sc_1 pectinate, sc_2 lanceolate and about twice as long as v_2 *T. cyatheaee* Gerson & Collyer
- Setae d_1 and e_1 present; femora I–IV with 4, 4, 2, 1 setae; setae v_2 and sc_1 slender and smooth, sc_2 lanceolate and more than 7 times as long as v_2 5
5. Two pairs of pseudanal setae ps_1 and ps_2 ; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 1 setae *T. antipodus* Collyer
- Three pairs of pseudanal setae ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3 ; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 0 or 2, 2, 0, 0 setae 6
6. Genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 0 setae; tarsus I–IV with $8+2\omega$, $8+2\omega$, 5, 5 setae; prodosum smooth, divided into 3 regions by longitudinal striations laterad to sc_1 ; hysterosoma with conical projection of body anterior to coax III *T. mahoensis* Collyer
- Genua I–IV with 2, 2, 0, 0 setae; tarsus I–IV with $7+2\omega$, $7+2\omega$, 5+ ω , 5+ ω setae; prodosum mesally covered with reticulations surrounded by two strong longitudinal wrinkles, and laterally bearing few reticulations and irregular striae; hysterosoma without conical projection *T. venustus* Collyer

* Males of *T. montanus* and *T. elegans* unknown.

Species present in New Zealand

Tenuipalpus alpinus Collyer, 1973

(Figs. 4–13)

Tenuipalpus alpinus Collyer, 1973b: 946, figs. 34–35.

Acaricis alpinus: Castro et al. 2018: 861, figs. 5–9.

FEMALE (Figs. 4–8)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal one third of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender, smooth, $m=7$ (6–7), $m-m=13$ (13–14). Palp 4-segmented, setal formula: 0, 0, 2, 2; tibia with two bare setae near distal portion, tarsus with two eupathidia, 4 in length.

Idiosoma. 315 (280–315) long, 160 (150–160) wide. Rostral shield pitted, with one median conical projection. PRODORSUM covered with faint broken longitudinal striations posterior to sc_1 , and oblique striations between sc_2 and c_3 ; setae v_2 and sc_1 short, slender and subequal, sc_2 about twice as long as v_2 . Lengths: v_2 5 (3–5), sc_1 5 (3–5), sc_2 10 (6–10); distances: v_2-v_2 37 (33–37), v_2-sc_1 41 (37–41), sc_1-sc_1 82 (82–84), sc_1-sc_2 39 (34–39), sc_2-sc_2 160 (150–160). HYSTROSOMA covered with transversal striations medially, oblique broken striations laterally, and faint irregular striations posterior to e_1 ; bearing one pair of humeral setae (c_3), two pairs of dorsocentral setae (d_1 and e_1), and six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1). All setae slender and smooth except h_2 flagelliform. Setae d_1 , e_1 , c_3 , d_3 and e_3 subequal in length, setae f_2 , f_3 and h_1 subequal. Lengths: d_1 5 (3–5), e_1 5 (3–5),

c_3 5 (3–5), d_3 5 (3–5), e_3 5 (3–5), f_2 6 (5–6), f_3 6 (5–6), h_2 80, h_1 6 (5–6); distances: d_1-d_1 56 (40–56), e_1-e_1 25 (22–25), c_3-c_3 165 (155–165), d_3-d_3 140 (130–140), d_3-e_3 100 (93–100), e_3-e_3 110, e_3-f_2 18 (18–20), f_2-f_2 105, f_2-f_3 14 (14–17), f_3-f_3 85 (85–88), f_3-h_2 12, h_2-h_2 65 (65–67), h_2-h_1 13, h_1-h_1 40 (40–41).

Venter. Venter with broken irregular striae posterior to coxa II and transversal striations anterior to coxa III, and fine transversal striae between setae $1a-ag$. All coxal setae slender, smooth and subequal in length. Seta $1a$, $4a_1$ and $4a_2$ flagelliform, middle medioventral seta $3a$ slender and smooth. Setae $4a_1$ and $4a_2$ subequal in length and more than 6 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 110 (83–110), $1b$ 12 (11–12), $1c$ 11 (11–14), $2b$ 13 (11–13), $2c$ 12, $3a$ 13 (11–13), $3b$ 11 (10–11), $4a_1$ 89 (56–89), $4a_2$ 87 (65–87), $4b$ 12 (8–12). Distances: $1a-1a$ 35 (30–35), $3a-3a$ 28 (28–34), $4a_1-4a_1$ 21, $4a_1-4a_2$ 21, $4a_2-4a_2$ 42 (37–42). Genital and ventral area with longitudinal striae laterally, broken oblique striae and transverse and arched striae, respectively, setae ag , g_1 and g_2 slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal in length. Pseudanal setae ps_1 and ps_2 subequal. Setae lengths: ag 16 (11–16), g_1 19 (15–19), g_2 19 (16–19), ps_1 10 (9–10), ps_2 10 (8–10). Distances: $ag-ag$ 19 (19–23), g_1-g_1 10 (9–10), g_1-g_2 15 (13–15), g_2-g_2 39 (36–39), ps_1-ps_2 27 (26–27).

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 115 (100–115), 99 (91–99), 86 (84–86), 91 (82–91). Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-2; genua 2-2-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus $7+\omega_7+\omega_5-\omega_5$. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae simple, spine-like, seta d on tibia I about 1.2 times length of tibia; ventral setae v' , ev' and v'' on femora and tibiae slender and smooth, and seta bv'' on femur II spine-like. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length except on tarsus II slender and smooth; tectal seta tc' and tc'' spine-like. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 7 (6–7), II ω'' 7 (6–7). Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE (Figs. 9–13)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=4$, $m-m=14$. Palp 4-segmented, setal formula: 0, 0, 2, 2; tibia with two bare setae near distal portion, tarsus with two eupathidia, 4 and 3 long respectively.

Idiosoma. 240–255 long, 135–145 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with one median conical projection. Idiosoma similar to female. PRODORSUM smooth, covered with few faint transversal striae mesally and oblique striae posterior to sc_1 ; setae v_2 and sc_1 short, slender and subequal, sc_2 about twice as long as v_2 . Lengths: v_2 4, sc_1 3–4, sc_2 7–9; distances: v_2-v_2 61–65, v_2-sc_1 31–35, sc_1-sc_1 70–77, sc_1-sc_2 32–34, sc_2-sc_2 135–145. HYSTEROOSOMA divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by few faint horizontal striae. Metapodosoma covered with few transversal striae between c_3-c_3 and broken oblique striae between d_1-d_3 . Opisthosoma covered with irregular broken striae posterior to e_1 and oblique striae laterally. Dorsal setae similar to female, slender and smooth except h_2 flagelliform. Setae d_1 , e_1 , c_3 , d_3 and e_3 subequal in length, setae f_2 , f_3 and h_1 subequal. Lengths: d_1 3, e_1 2–3, c_3 3, d_3 3–4, e_3 3, f_2 4–5, f_3 4–5, h_2 61, h_1 5; distances: d_1-d_1 32–35, e_1-e_1 16–18, c_3-c_3 125–135, d_3-d_3 93–98, d_3-e_3 78–83, e_3-e_3 69–72, e_3-f_2 13–16, f_2-f_2 69–73, f_2-f_3 9–10, f_3-f_3 54–57, f_3-h_2 9–10, h_2-h_2 43–44, h_2-h_1 10, h_1-h_1 20–22.

Venter. Venter similar to female. All coxal setae slender and smooth and subequal in length. Seta $1a$, $4a_1$ and $4a_2$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Setae $4a_1$ about 1.8 times as long as $4a_2$ and more than 5 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 87–91, $1b$ 10–12, $1c$ 10–11, $2b$ 11–12, $2c$ 9–10, $3a$ 11, $3b$ 10–12, $4a_1$ 63–69, $4a_2$ 36–40, $4b$ 9–10. Distances: $1a-1a$ 31, $3a-3a$ 15–18, $4a_1-4a_1$ 16–18, $4a_1-4a_2$ 17–18, $4a_2-4a_2$ 31–35. Ventral area with transversal cuticles between $4a_1$ and ag , genital area covered with oblique striae between ag and g_2 , forming inverted U-shaped pattern. Setae ag , g_1 and g_2 slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal. Pseudanal setae ps_1 and ps_2 subequal in length. Setae lengths: ag 10, g_1 13–14, g_2 14–16, ps_1 8, ps_2 8. Distances: $ag-ag$ 16–19, g_1-g_1 16, g_1-g_2 5–7, g_2-g_2 25–27, ps_1-ps_2 13–15.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 100–105, 89–92, 82–85, 84–87. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-2; genua 2-2-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus $7+2\omega_7+2\omega_5+\omega_5+\omega$. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae simple, slender and smooth, seta d on tibia IV pectinate; ventral setae v' , v'' , ev' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae slender and smooth. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' slender and smooth. Solenidia ω' and ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω' 8–9, ω'' 8–9, II ω' 9–10, ω'' 8–9. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

Distribution. BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: NN, CO.

Material examined. Holotype and 6 paratypes. **Holotype** female. NEW ZEALAND: NN: Nelson Lakes National Park, Mount Robert Ridge circa 1830 m, Oct., 1969, G. W. Ramssy, mat plants in rocks, NZAC: 1/1 female, 1 (paratype) female. **Paratypes:** on the same slide with holotype: NZAC; 1/1 female. Same collection data as holotype slide: NZAC: 1/1 male, 1 deutonymph; 1/1 male, 1 larva. CO: West of Lake Manapouri, Mt Barber, Wilmot Pass, 1100m, 8, Jan., 1970, J. S. Dugdale and J. M. Hoy, mats of *Chionochloa crassiuscula*, *Astelia*, *Clemisia sessiliflora*, *Cyathodes pumila*, *Gaultheria*, *Anisotome*, *Drosera*, NZAC: 1/1 female.

Habitat. Mat plants on rocks, mats of *Chionochloa crassiuscula*, *Astelia*, *Clemisia sessiliflora*, *Cyathodes pumila*, *Gaultheria*, *Anisotome*, *Drosera*.

Remarks. Collyer (1973) described the characters of *T. alpinus* as follows: palp 3-segmented with a terminal seta on tarsi; genua I–IV with 1, 2, 1, 0 setae; adult male with three pairs of dorsocentral setae; anal plate with only 1 pair of setae. In the examination of the types, we found these characters to be incorrect. The correct characters are as follows: palp 4-segmented with 2 eupathidia on tarsi; genua I–IV with 2, 2, 1, 0 setae; adult male with two pairs of dorsocentral setae; anal plate with two pairs of setae. Here we have revised the concept of this genus accordingly. Pending a phylogenetic analysis of the genera in this family, this species may be removed from this genus.

T. alpinus resembles *T. montanus* in hysterosoma having two pairs of dorsocentral setae, venter with one pair of anterior medioventral setae and two pairs of posterior medioventral setae. However, it is readily distinguished by setae sc_2 short, slender and smooth (setae sc_2 enlarged and lanceolate in *T. montanus*); and prodorsum smooth, with few broken longitudinal striations posterior to sc_1 (prodosum with curved striations between sc_1 – sc_1 , U-shaped in *T. montanus*); and caudolateral setae except h_2 minute, slender and smooth (caudolateral setae f_2 and f_3 lanceolate in *T. montanus*).

Castro *et al.* (2018) redescribed *T. alpinus* and *T. montanus* based on paratypes. They moved them to the genus *Acaricis* from *Tenuipalpus* based on some characteristics shared with other *Acaricis* species: dorsocentral setae c_1 is absent; palp 4-segmented; setae ft' suppressed on tarsus I–II. Based on examining the holotypes of these two species, and studying the genus *Acaricis* by Beard & Gerson (2009) and Xu & Zhang (2013), we disagree with Castro *et al.* (2018) and consider *T. alpinus* and *T. montanus* members of the genus *Tenuipalpus* (expanded concept in this paper) by the following characteristics: the body length less than twice as long as width (prodorsum normal); genital setae g_1 and g_2 are arranged on the same level; trochanters I–IV with 1 (v')–1 (v')–2 (l' , v')–1 (v') setae; none of the host of these two species were identified as Cyperaceae (*Acaricis*: body elongate, more than twice as long as wide with elongate prodorsum; genital setae g_1 are inserted anterior to g_2 ; trochanters I–IV with 1–1–1–0 setae, with v' suppressed on trochanters III–IV; the genus *Acaricis* is currently confined to Cyperaceae).

Tenuipalpus antipodus Collyer, 1964

(Figs. 14–37)

Tenuipalpus antipodus Collyer, 1964: 436, figs. 3C, D; Lo, 1986: 277, fig. 1; Collyer, 1973b: 919, figs. 7–13.

FEMALE (Figs. 14–18)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal one fourth of femur I, subcapitular setae m pectinate, $m=18$ –21, $m-m=19$ –21. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium 5.

Idiosoma. 265–290 long, 185–195 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projections. PRODORSUM covered with broken transversal wrinkles surrounded by two strong longitudinal wrinkles, and reticulations posterior to sc_1 ; podosomal setae v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2 lanceolate, sc_2 longest and about 5 times as long as sc_1 . Lengths: v_2 7–10, sc_1 12–14, sc_2 66–76; distances: v_2 – v_2 44–48, v_2 – sc_1 34–37, sc_1 – sc_1 96–100, sc_1 – sc_2 44–50, sc_2 – sc_2 185–195. HYSTERO SOMA covered with reticulations between c_1 – e_1 and strong longitudinal wrinkles laterad to c_1 – e_1 , and with irregular wrinkles posterior to e_1 ; bearing one pair of humeral setae (c_3), three pairs of dorsocentral setae (c_1 , d_1 and e_1), six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1), and 1 pair of pores anterior to e_3 . All setae lanceolate except h_2 elongate. Setae c_1 , d_1 and d_3 subequal in length, f_2 and f_3 subequal and about 4 times as long as d_1 , setae e_3 and h_1 subequal and about twice as long as c_3 . Lengths: c_1 9–10, d_1 11–13, e_1 7–10, c_3 15–19, d_3 11–13, e_3 29–36, f_2 42–48, f_3 43–46, h_2 255–270, h_1 27–32; distances: c_1 – c_1 59–67, d_1 – d_1 38–43, e_1 – e_1 8–12, c_3 – c_3 200–215, d_3 –

d_3 170–185, d_3-e_3 69–80, e_3-e_3 140–150, e_3-f_2 16–20, f_2-f_2 125–140, f_2-f_3 19–23, f_3-f_3 105–123, f_3-h_2 18–23, h_2-h_2 77–90, h_2-h_1 17–21, h_1-h_1 42–48.

Venter. Venter with fine longitudinal striae between coxae II–III and irregular oblique striations between setae $1a$ – $3a$, and with transversal striae between $3a$ – g_1 and oblique striae exterior to $3a$ – g_2 . All coxal setae pectinate. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ twice as long as $3a$, and seta $1a$ longest and about 4 times as long as $4a$. Lengths: $1a$ 150–170, $1b$ 12–15, $1c$ 17–20, $2b$ 13–21, $2c$ 25–31, $3a$ 18–23, $3b$ 26–29, $4a$ 37–42, $4b$ 25–27. Distances: $1a-1a$ 36–39, $3a-3a$ 55–57, $4a-4a$ 43–48. Genital and ventral area covered with broken striae and anal area with fine oblique striae. Setae ag , g_1 and g_2 pectinate and subequal. Pseudanal setae ps_1 and ps_2 slender and smooth, ps_1 about twice as long as ps_2 . Setae lengths: ag 31–37, g_1 30–35, g_2 30–34, ps_1 27–33, ps_2 13–16. Distances: $ag-ag$ 26–32, g_1-g_1 23–25, g_1-g_2 12–16, g_2-g_2 50–52, ps_1-ps_2 4–5.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 130–145, 115–125, 110–120, 110–120. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-3-1-1; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate, lateral seta l' on genu I elongate about 3 times as long as l'' on genu I; ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae pectinate, and bv'' on femur II lanceolate; setae v' and v'' subequal in length. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' barbed; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' barbed and subequal. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 8–9, II ω'' 8–9. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE (Figs. 19–24)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal one fourth of femur I, subcapitular setae m pectinate, $m=$ 12–13, $m-m=$ 16–18. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 6.

Idiosoma. 240–255 long, 160 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical PRODORSUM covered with few reticulations and irregular striae mesally, and oblique striae laterally; setae v_2 and sc_1 slender, smooth and subequal, sc_2 lanceolate and about 6 times as long as sc_1 . Lengths: v_2 6–7, sc_1 7–8, sc_2 45–52; distances: v_2-v_2 35–37, v_2-sc_1 27–30, sc_1-sc_1 77–81, sc_1-sc_2 41–42, sc_2-sc_2 160. HYSTEROOSOMA divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by narrow band of horizontal striae. Metapodosoma covered with irregular broken striae between c_1-d_1 and broken oblique striae laterally. Opisthosoma covered with oblique striae anterior to e_1 and few reticulations around e_1 . All dorsolateral setae lanceolate except h_2 elongate. Setae d_1 and e_1 subequal in length, f_2 and f_3 subequal and about twice as long as e_3 . Lengths: c_1 6–7, d_1 4–6, e_1 4–6, c_3 10–13, d_3 8–10, e_3 15–17, f_2 31–33, f_3 29–33, h_2 205–235, h_1 22–23; distances: c_1-c_1 43–46, d_1-d_1 24–32, e_1-e_1 3–7, c_3-c_3 150, d_3-d_3 110–120, d_3-e_3 83–85, e_3-e_3 84–86, e_3-f_2 9–14, f_2-f_2 82–87, f_2-f_3 13–14, f_3-f_3 73–79, f_3-h_2 18–19, h_2-h_2 51–57, h_2-h_1 12–13, h_1-h_1 25–32.

Venter. Venter with fine longitudinal oblique striae between coxae II–IV and broken longitudinal striae between $1a$ – $3a$, and with curved striae between $3a$ – $4a$. All coxal setae pectinate except $2b$ and $3b$ slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ about 5 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 130–135, $1b$ 12–16, $1c$ 15–18, $2b$ 20–21, $2c$ 21–24, $3a$ 14–16, $3b$ 21–24, $4a$ 36–59, $4b$ 24. Distances: $1a-1a$ 28–29, $3a-3a$ 41–44, $4a-4a$ 24–28. Setae ag , g_1 and g_2 pectinate. Aedeagus narrow, sclerotised, finely tapered distally, membranous duct runs from inside aedeagus, terminating in trumpet-shaped end. Pseudanal setae ps_1 slender and smooth, ps_2 stout and with a cone. Genital and ventral area covered with broken transversal striae. Setae lengths: ag 18–21, g_1 28–30, g_2 23–24, ps_1 14–15, ps_2 12–13. Distances: $ag-ag$ 19–21, g_1-g_1 20–21, g_1-g_2 6–7, g_2-g_2 28–30, ps_1-ps_2 15–18.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 125–130, 110–115, 100–105, 110. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-3-1-1; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+2 ω -8+2 ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate, lateral seta l' on femur I elongate about 3 times as long as l'' on femur I, and setae l' on tibiae I–II barbed; ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae pectinate, and bv'' on femur II lanceolate; setae v' and v'' subequal in length. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' barbed; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' barbed and subequal. Solenidia ω' and ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω' 10–11, ω'' 9–10, II ω' 10, ω'' 10–12. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

DEUTONYMPH (Figs. 25–29)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I, subcapitular setae *m* pectinate, $m=8\text{--}9$, $m-m=14\text{--}16$. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 5.

Idiosoma. 260–300 long, 150–175 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. PRODORSUM smooth, with faint transversal striations anterior to setae *d*₁ and oblique striations between *d*₁ and *d*₃; setae *v*₂ and *sc*₁ slender, smooth and subequal, *sc*₂ lanceolate. Lengths: *v*₂ 2–3, *sc*₁ 2–3, *sc*₂ 51–58; distances: *v*₂–*v*₂ 28–37, *v*₂–*sc*₁ 28–32, *sc*₁–*sc*₂ 77–87, *sc*₁–*sc*₂ 38–44, *sc*₂–*sc*₂ 150–175. Setae *c*₁, *d*₁, *e*₁ and *d*₃ slender and smooth and subequal in length, setae *c*₃, *e*₃, *f*₂, *f*₃ and *h*₁ lanceolate, *h*₂ elongate. Setae *c*₃ and *h*₁ subequal, *e*₃ and *f*₂ subequal in length and about 1.5 times as long as *h*₁. Lengths: *c*₁ 2, *d*₁ 2, *e*₁ 2–3, *c*₃ 20–28, *d*₃ 2–4, *e*₃ 32–43, *f*₂ 33–37, *f*₃ 29–32, *h*₂ 100–140, *h*₁ 21–29; distances: *c*₁–*c*₁ 41–46, *d*₁–*d*₁ 25–31, *e*₁–*e*₁ 5–8, *c*₃–*c*₃ 170–220, *d*₃–*d*₃ 125–160, *d*₃–*e*₃ 45–49, *e*₃–*e*₃ 88–115, *e*₃–*f*₂ 13–14, *f*₂–*f*₂ 78–97, *f*₂–*f*₃ 13–14, *f*₃–*f*₃ 62–75, *f*₃–*h*₂ 16–18, *h*₂–*h*₂ 38–46, *h*₂–*h*₁ 11–12, *h*₁–*h*₁ 18–21.

Venter. Venter with fine transversal striations. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Setae *1a* and *4a* flagelliform, *3a* slender and smooth, length of *1a* more than twice as long as seta *4a* and more than 10 times as long as *3a*. Lengths: *1a* 91–125, *1b* 7–8, *1c* 6–9, *2b* 7–9, *2c* 11–12, *3a* 9–10, *3b* 10–13, *4a* 46–53, *4b* 9–12. Distances: *1a*–*1a* 21–25, *3a*–*3a* 47–55, *4a*–*4a* 30–40. Genital and ventral area bearing one pair of aggenital setae (*ag*) and one pairs of genitalic setae (*g*₁). Pseudanal setae *ps*₁ and *ps*₂ slender and smooth. Setae lengths: *ag* 20–30, *g*₁ 5–7, *ps*₁ 7, *ps*₂ 3–6. Distances: *ag*–*ag* 20–30, *g*₁–*g*₁ 14–23, *ps*₁–*ps*₂ 9–10.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 83–92, 69–78, 64–71, 55–63. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-0; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 2-2-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate; dorsal seta *d* on femur III, lateral seta *l'* on trochanter III and *l''* on genu I elongate; ventral setae *v'*, *ev'* and *bv''* on trochanters, femora slender and smooth except *bv''* on femur II lanceolate and elongate; setae *v'* and *v''* on tibiae pectinate and subequal in length except on tibia IV slender and smooth. Setae *ft'* on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, *ft''* barbed; unguinal setae *u'* and *u''* pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta *tc'* and *tc''* barbed and subequal. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia *p'ζ* and *p''ζ* on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 5, II ω'' 5. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

PROTONYMPH (Figs. 30–34)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I, subcapitular setae *m* pectinate, $m=6\text{--}7$, $m-m=14\text{--}16$. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 4.

Idiosoma. 195–220 long, 125–135 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. PRODORSUM similar to deutonymph, with faint transversal striations anterior to setae *d*₁ and oblique striations between *d*₁ and *d*₃; setae *v*₂ and *sc*₁ slender, smooth and subequal, *sc*₂ lanceolate. Lengths: *v*₂ 2–3, *sc*₁ 2–3, *sc*₂ 42–47; distances: *v*₂–*v*₂ 24, *v*₂–*sc*₁ 26–27, *sc*₁–*sc*₂ 68–71, *sc*₁–*sc*₂ 29–34, *sc*₂–*sc*₂ 125–135. Setae *c*₁, *d*₁, *e*₁ and *d*₃ slender and smooth and subequal in length, setae *c*₃, *e*₃, *f*₂, *f*₃ and *h*₁ lanceolate, *h*₂ elongate. Setae *f*₂ and *f*₃ subequal in length and about 1.5 times as long as *h*₁. Lengths: *c*₁ 3, *d*₁ 2–3, *e*₁ 2–3, *c*₃ 13–18, *d*₃ 2, *e*₃ 27–29, *f*₂ 24–25, *f*₃ 22, *h*₂ 94–96, *h*₁ 16; distances: *c*₁–*c*₁ 33–38, *d*₁–*d*₁ 20–22, *e*₁–*e*₁ 8–10, *c*₃–*c*₃ 140–155, *d*₃–*d*₃ 99–115, *d*₃–*e*₃ 35, *e*₃–*e*₃ 75–91, *e*₃–*f*₂ 8, *f*₂–*f*₂ 69–80, *f*₂–*f*₃ 10–11, *f*₃–*f*₃ 54–62, *f*₃–*h*₂ 12–15, *h*₂–*h*₂ 35–37, *h*₂–*h*₁ 10, *h*₁–*h*₁ 14–16.

Venter. Venter similar to deutonymph. Seta *1a* flagelliform and more than 5 times as long as *3a*. Lengths: *1a* 43–68, *1b* 8–9, *1c* 8–9, *2c* 10–11, *3a* 9, *3b* 10–11. Distances: *1a*–*1a* 16–17, *3a*–*3a* 45. Genital and ventral plates bearing one pair of aggenital setae (*ag*). Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (*ps*₁ and *ps*₂). Setae lengths: *ag* 6–7, *ps*₁ 2–4, *ps*₂ 3–5. Distances: *ag*–*ag* 21, *ps*₁–*ps*₂ 6.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 56–64, 50–58, 46–52, 37–42. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-1-1-0; trochanters 0-0-1-0; femora 3-3-2-1; genua 1-1-0-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 6+ ω -6+ ω -3-3. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate; dorsal seta *d* on femur III and lateral seta *l'* on trochanter III elongate; ventral setae *v'*, *ev'*, *v''* and *bv''* on femora and tibiae slender and smooth except *bv''* on femur II lanceolate and elongate. Setae *ft'* on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, *ft''* lanceolate; unguinal setae *u'* and *u''* pectinate and equal in length. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia *p'ζ* and *p''ζ* on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 4, II ω'' 4. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

LARVA (Figs. 35–37)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 4–5.

Idiosoma. 175–195 long, 100–110 wide. Rostral shield round. PRODORSUM covered with dense round knots anteriorly and mesally, and a broad band of transversal striations between setae sc_2 and c_3 ; setae v_2 and sc_1 slender, smooth and subequal, sc_2 lanceolate. Lengths: v_2 2, sc_1 2, sc_2 33–34; distances: v_2-v_2 17–19, v_2-sc_1 25–26, sc_1-sc_1 59–60, sc_1-sc_2 22–25, sc_2-sc_2 100–110. HYSTROSOMA similar to deutonymph. Opisthosoma covered with dense round knobs posterior to d_1 . Lengths: c_1 2–10, d_1 2–10, e_1 2, c_3 9–13, d_3 2, e_3 28–30, f_2 27–28, f_3 23–25, h_2 74–94, h_1 17–18; distances: c_1-c_1 33–36, d_1-d_1 14–19, e_1-e_1 9–10, c_3-c_3 105–125, d_3-d_3 81–90, d_3-e_3 14–19, e_3-e_3 67–81, e_3-f_2 9–10, f_2-f_2 59–70, f_2-f_3 9–12, f_3-f_3 48–52, f_3-h_2 10–13, h_2-h_2 30–32, h_2-h_1 8–9, h_1-h_1 13–14.

Venter. Venter similar to deutonymph. Setae $1a$ flagelliform and more than 6 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 47–59, $1b$ 7–9, $3a$ 5–9. Distances: $1a-1a$ 16–20, $3a-3a$ 36–45. Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2). Setae lengths: ps_1 3–6, ps_2 3–5. Distances: ps_1-ps_2 , 6.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–III: 43–46, 39–42, 40–41. Chaetotaxy: coxae 1-0-0; trochanters 0-0-0; femora 3-3-2; genua 1-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3; tarsus 6+ ω -6+ ω -3. Most dorsal and lateral setae on femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate except seta l' on tibiae I–II slender and smooth; ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on femora and tibiae slender and smooth except bv'' on femur II lanceolate and elongate. Setae ft' on tarsi I–III flagelliform, ft'' barbed; unguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 3–4, II ω'' 3–4. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

Distribution. BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: AK, WN, NN, MB.

Other countries: China (Lo 1986).

Material examined. 294 non-type specimens. **Non-types:** **AK:** Auckland, Cosseys Creel Bush, 21, May, 1960, E. Collyer, *Coprosma* sp., 1/17 females, 1 deutonymph, 1 larva. Waitakere Ranges, 31, Oct., 1960, E. Collyer, *Coprosma* sp., 1/2 females. Te Morehu Orere, 11, Nov., 1960, E. Collyer, *Melicytus ramiflorus*, 1/1 female, 1 male, 1 protonymph. Te Morehu Orere, 25, Feb., 1961, E. Collyer, *Melicytus ramiflorus*, 1/1 female. Te Morehu Orere, 27, Feb., 1961, E. Collyer, long smooth leaves, 1/2 females. Te Morehu Orere, 27, Feb., 1961, E. Collyer, *Coprosma* sp., 1/1 female; Te Morehu Orere, 14, May, 1961, E. Collyer, *Nothoparax* sp., 1/29 females, 2 males. Waitakere Range, Anawhata Rd, 18, Jun., 1961, E. Collyer, *Coprosma*, 1/20 females [+*Utraltenuiopalpus coprosmae* 11 females, 5 males]. Ponui Island, Jun., 1967, E. Collyer, *Dysoxylum spectabile*, 1/1 female. Anawhata McElwain Loop Track, 1 Aug., 2004, N. A. Martin, *Cordyline banksii*, 1/2 deutonymphs. Waitakere, Ra Upper Nihotupu Dam Waik, 21, Jan., 2006, N. A. Martin, *Gahnia lacera*, 1/1 female. Waitakere, Ra Old Coach Road, 14, Mar., 2006, N. A. Martin, *Alseuosmia macrophylla*, 1/1 male, 3 deutonymphs. Waitakere, Ra Upper Nihotupu Dam Waik, 25, Aug., 2006, N. A. Martin, *Elaeocarpus dentatus*, 1/6 females, 1 protonymph. Whangaporoa Peninsula, Shakespeare Regional Park, water fall gully, 24, Nov., 2013, N. A. Martin, *Beilschmiedia toomaroa*, 1/8 females, 8 males, 7 deutonymphs. **WN:** Wellington, Akatarawa, 30, Mar., 1964, D. C. M. Manson, tawa, 1/5 females, 4 males, 1 deutonymph, 1 protonymph, 5 larvae. Wellington, 18, Apr., 1966, D. C. M. Manson, tawa, 1/3 females. **NN:** Nelson, Ruby Bay, 11, Dec., 1964, E. Collyer, *Ctenitus velutuma*, 1/1 female. Head of Waiiti R., May, 1965, E. Collyer, *Melicytus ramiflorus*, 1/19 females, 3 males. Marahau, 21, Jul., 1965, E. Collyer, *Rhipogonum scandens*, 1/10 females, 11 males, 3 deutonymphs, 2 protonymphs, 1 larva. Ruby Bay, 21, Jul., 1965, E. Collyer, *Heclycarga aborea*, 1/6 females, 1 male. Kaihoka Lake, 3, Oct., 1965, E. Collyer, *Rhipogonum scandens*, 1/4 females, 1 male, 1 deutonymph, 1 protonymph, 1 larva. Kaihoka Lake, 3, Oct., 1965, E. Collyer, *Heclycarga aborea*, 1/17 females, 3 males. Totaranui, Goat Bay, 25, Oct., 1965, E. Collyer, *Pseudowintrea axillaris*, 1/2 females. Totaranui, Goat Bay, 25, Oct., 1965, E. Collyer, *Heclycarga aborea*, 1/1 female. Totaranui, Goat Bay, 25, Oct., 1965, E. Collyer, *Rhipogonum scandens*, 1/31 females. Ruby Bay, 8, Nov., 1965, E. Collyer, *Rhipogonum scandens*, 1/7 females, 3 males, 2 deutonymphs. Totaranui, Mutton Cove, 27, Oct., 1969, E. Collyer, *Heclycarga aborea*, 1/4 females, 4 deutonymphs, 3 protonymphs, 2 larvae. Ruby Bay, 7, Jun., 1966, E. Collyer, *Melicytus ramiflorus*, 1/3 females, 3 males, 1 protonymph, 1 larva. **MB:** Marlborough, Pelorus Sound, Waitata Bay, 22, Jun., 1963, E. Collyer, *Dysoxylum spectabile*, 1/7 females. Queen Charlottes Sound, Davis Bay, 30, Jan., 1966, E. Collyer, *Beilschmiedia tawa*, 1/1 male, 1 deutonymph, 3 protonymphs. Marahau, 29, Mar., 1970, E. Collyer, *Rhipogonum scandens*, 1/2 females, 2 males, 1 deutonymph.

Habitat. *Coprosma* sp., *Melicytus ramiflorus*, long smooth leaves, *Nothoparax* sp., *Dysoxylum spectabile*, *Cordyline banksii*, *Gahnia lacera*, *Alseuosmia macrophylla*, *Elaeocarpus dentatus*, *Beilschmiedia tomaroa*, tawa, *Ctenitis velutuma*, *Rhipogonum scandens*, *Heclycarga aborea*, *Pseudowintrea axillaris*, *Beilschmiedia tawa*.

Remarks. Collyer (1964, 1973) and Lo (1969) remarked that this species has genua 2, 2, 1, 1 setae. This is incorrect and the true count is 3, 3, 1, 1.

T. antipodus can be separated from *T. punicae* by setae sc_2 lanceolate and enlarged; dorsocentral setae lanceolate and subequal; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 1 setae (setae sc_2 lanceolate, small and with slightly serrations; dorsocentral setae setiform, and slightly serrate; genua I–IV with 3, 3, 0, 0 setae in *T. punicae*).

Tenuipalpus cyatheae Gerson & Collyer, 1984

(Figs. 38–48)

Tenuipalpus cyatheae Gerson & Collyer, 1984: 143, figs. 2–4.

FEMALE (Figs. 38–43)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m pectinate, $m=13$ (11–14), $m-m=15$ (15–18). Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one forked seta near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 4–5.

Idiosoma. 260 (255–280) long, 170 (170–185) wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. Idiosoma oval shaped. PRODORSUM covered with dense reticulations mesally and laterally; setae v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2 barbed, v_2 and sc_1 subequal, sc_2 about twice as long as v_2 ; lengths: v_2 12 (11–12), sc_1 13 (11–13), sc_2 25 (22–26); distances: v_2-v_2 40 (39–43), v_2-sc_1 43 (35–44), sc_1-sc_1 115 (105–120), sc_1-sc_2 30 (30–33), sc_2-sc_2 170 (170–185). HYSTERO SOMA covered with dense reticulations mesally and laterally; bearing one pair of pores, one pair of humeral setae (c_3), one pair of dorsocentral setae (c_1), and six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1). All setae barbed except h_2 flagelliform. Setae e_3 , f_2 and f_3 subequal in length. Lengths: c_1 17 (10–17), c_3 17 (14–18), d_3 14 (10–15), e_3 9 (9–13), f_2 10 (9–11), f_3 9 (8–10), h_2 275 (215–275), h_1 8 (7–8); distances: c_1-c_1 51 (44–54), c_3-c_3 180 (180–195), d_3-d_3 155 (100–170), d_3-e_3 68 (68–80), e_3-e_3 100 (100–110), e_3-f_2 22 (21–28), f_2-f_2 88 (85–90), f_2-f_3 24 (24–29), f_3-f_3 65 (56–65), f_3-h_2 12 (12–14), h_2-h_2 47 (38–48), h_2-h_1 10 (8–14), h_1-h_1 27 (21–28).

Venter. Venter covered with oblique striae between coxae II–III, dense longitudinal striations between setae $1a$ – $3a$ and transversal striae anterior to $3a$, and with oblique striations between $3a$ – $4a$. Three pairs of porose patches transversally situated in the middle area; 7 pairs of porose patches located on coxae III and IV and another one pair situated anterior to $4a$. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ about 7 times as long as $3a$, and seta $1a$ longest and about 11 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 120 (105–140), $1b$ 23 (16–23), $1c$ 20 (18–22), $2b$ 24 (18–25), $2c$ 24 (21–26), $3a$ 11 (9–13), $3b$ 16 (14–20), $4a$ 81 (70–91), $4b$ 17 (15–20). Distances: $1a-1a$ 32 (30–46), $3a-3a$ 39 (39–40), $4a-4a$ 26 (26–30). Genital and ventral area with transversal striae mesally and broken longitudinal striations laterally; eight pairs of porose patches situated in submarginal area and one pair anterior to ag . Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2). All setae slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal, ps_1 and ps_2 subequal in length. Setae lengths: ag 14 (12–15), g_1 17 (16–18), g_2 17 (16–17), ps_1 15 (12–15), ps_2 15 (13–15). Distances: $ag-ag$ 15 (15–24), g_1-g_1 18 (18–21), g_1-g_2 9 (9–13), g_2-g_2 35 (35–45), ps_1-ps_2 10 (10–16).

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 140 (140–155), 125 (120–135), 115 (115–125), 125 (125–135). Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-2; genua 3-3-0-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5. All dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae barbed; ventral setae v' and v'' on trochanters I–III and tibiae I–IV pectinate; seta v' on femora I–II and ev' on femora III–IV slender and smooth; seta bv'' on femur I–II barbed. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' barbed; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' barbed and subequal. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 9 (9–10), II ω'' 7 (7–8). Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE (Figs. 44–48)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=11$, $m-m=19$. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one slender and smooth setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 4.

Idiosoma. 245 long, 150 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with one median conical projection. PRODORSUM covered with broken and oblique striations mesally and laterally; setae v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2 barbed, v_2 and sc_1 subequal, sc_2 about twice as long as v_2 ; lengths: v_2 12, sc_1 12, sc_2 22; distances: v_2-v_2 35, v_2-sc_1 38, sc_1-sc_1 100, sc_1-sc_2 27, sc_2-sc_2 150. HYSTERO SOMA divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by few faint horizontal striations. Metapodosoma covered with few oblique striations laterally. Opisthosoma covered with broken longitudinal and oblique striations mesally and laterally. All setae barbed except h_2 flagelliform. Setae d_3 , e_3 , f_2 and f_3 subequal in length. Lengths: c_1 16, c_3 20, d_3 13, e_3 12, f_2 10, f_3 11, h_2 205, h_1 7; distances: c_1-c_1 28, c_3-c_3 150, d_3-d_3 105, d_3-e_3 55, e_3-e_3 78, e_3-f_2 30, f_2-f_2 67, f_2-f_3 21, f_3-f_3 52, f_3-h_2 14, h_2-h_2 39, h_2-h_1 11, h_1-h_1 19.

Venter. Venter with oblique striae between coxae II–III. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ about 5 times as long as $3a$, and seta $1a$ longest about 8 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 94, $1b$ 17, $1c$ 16, $2b$ 20, $2c$ 18, $3a$ 12, $3b$ 18, $4a$ 59, $4b$ 17. Distances: $1a-1a$ 32, $3a-3a$ 33, $4a-4a$ 17. Genital and ventral area with broken oblique striations. All setae slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal in length, ps_1 about 2.5 times as long as ps_2 . Setae lengths: ag 14, g_1 17, g_2 17, ps_1 15, ps_2 6. Distances: $ag-ag$ 19, g_1-g_1 24, g_1-g_2 5, g_2-g_2 32, ps_1-ps_2 11.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 125, 115, 105, 105. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-2; genua 3-3-0-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+2 ω -8+2 ω -5-5. All dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae barbed; ventral setae v' and v'' on trochanters I–III and tibiae I–IV pectinate; seta v' on femora I–II and ev' on femora III–IV slender and smooth; seta bv'' on femur I–II barbed. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' barbed; unguinal setae u' and u'' barbed and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' barbed and subequal. Solenidia ω' and ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω' 9, ω'' 9, II ω' 9, ω'' 10. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

Distribution. BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: ND, WO, AK, SD, NN, BP.

Material examined. Holotype, 9 paratypes and 12 non-type specimens. **Holotype** female. NEW ZEALAND: **ND:** Northland, Mount Bledisloe, near Waitangi, 5, Sep., 1982, U. G. Gerson, *Cyathea medullaris*, NZAC: 1/1 female. **Paratypes:** Same collection data as holotype slide: NZAC: 1/1 male; 1/1 deutonymph. **WO:** Herangi Range, 19, Sep., 1982, U. G. Gerson, *Cyathea medullaris*, NZAC: 5/5 females, 1/1 deutonymph. **AK:** Auckland, Waitakere, 21, Sep., 1982, U. G. Gerson, *Cyathea dealbata*, NZAC: 1/1 male. **Non-types:** **SD:** Marlborough Sounds, Queen Charlotte Drive, 31, Jan., 1983, U. G. Gerson, *Cyathea medullaris*, NZAC: 2/2 females. **NN:** Sharlands Creek, 14, Aug., 1983, E. Collyer, *Cyathea dealbata*, 4/4 females, 1/1 male. **BP:** Bay of Plenty, near Waihi Beach, 11, Nov., 1989, D. C. M. Manson, fern, MPI: 1/2 females. **AK:** Epsom, Marhef Rd, 7, Feb., 1990, D. C. M. Manson, fern, MPI: 1/3 females.

Habitat. *Cyathea medullaris*, *Cyathea dealbata*, fern.

Remarks. *T. cyathea* can be separated from *T. elegans* by palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; palp tibia with a forked seta; 20–21 pairs of porose patches situated in podosomal venter.

Tenuipalpus elegans Collyer, 1973

(Figs. 49–52)

Colopalpus elegans Collyer, 1973a: 529, fig. 1.

FEMALE (Figs. 49–52)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=$ 11, $m-m=$ 17. Palp 2-segmented, setal formula: 1, 1; tibia with one rod-like setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 6.

Idiosoma. 265 long, 175 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. Idiosoma oval shaped. PRODORSUM covered with dense reticulations mesally and laterally, setae v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2 pectinate, v_2 and sc_1 subequal, sc_2 about twice as long as v_2 . Lengths: v_2 15, sc_1 14, sc_2 29; distances: v_2-v_2 45, v_2-sc_1 49, sc_1-sc_1 115, sc_1-sc_2 30, sc_2-sc_2 175. HYSTERO SOMA covered with dense reticulations mesally and laterally and dense minute reticulations anterior to c_1 ; bearing one pair of pores, one pair of humeral setae (c_3), one pair of dorsocentral setae (c_1), and six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1). All setae pectinate except h_2 flagelliform. Setae e_3 , f_2 ,

f_3 and h_1 subequal in length. Lengths: c_1 15, c_3 17, d_3 15, e_3 11, f_2 12, f_3 11, h_2 240, h_1 11; distances: c_1-c_1 46, c_3-c_3 185, d_3-d_3 165, d_3-e_3 80, e_3-f_2 105, e_3-f_2 23, f_2-f_2 90, f_2-f_3 18, f_3-f_3 76, f_3-h_2 16, h_2-h_2 52, h_2-h_1 11, h_1-h_1 27.

Venter. Venter covered with oblique striae between coxae II–III, transversal striae posterior to $3a$, and with oblique striations between coxae III and IV. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ more than 6 times as long as $3a$, and seta $1a$ longest about 8 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 91, $1b$ 23, $1c$ 16, $2b$ 25, $2c$ 23, $3a$ 11, $3b$ 22, $4a$ 70, $4b$ 20. Distances: $1a-1a$ 32, $3a-3a$ 36, $4a-4a$ 29. Genital and ventral area covered with transversal striae mesally, broken longitudinal striations in submarginal area and dense reticulations laterally, bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and two pairs of genital setae (g_1 and g_2). Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2). All setae slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal, ps_1 and ps_2 subequal in length. Setae lengths: ag 11, g_1 16, g_2 17, ps_1 14, ps_2 14. Distances: $ag-ag$ 21, g_1-g_1 21, g_1-g_2 10, g_2-g_2 41, ps_1-ps_2 13.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 150, 130, 120, 130. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-2; genua 3-3-0-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5. All dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae barbed; ventral setae v' and v'' on trochanters III–IV and tibiae I–IV pectinate; seta v' on trochanters I–II and femora I–II and seta ev' on femora III–IV slender and smooth; seta bv'' on femur I slender and smooth and on femur II barbed. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' barbed; unguinal setae u' and u'' barbed and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' barbed and subequal. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 9, II ω'' 9. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE. Unknown.

Distribution. BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: NN.

Material examined. Holotype only. **Holotype** female. NEW ZEALAND: NN: Nelson, Westhaven Inlet, Mangarakau, 14, Nov., 1970, E. Collyer, foliage of *Senecio hectori*, NZAC: 1/1female.

Habitat. *Senecio hectori*.

Remarks. This species was described as follows by Collyer (1973): palp 1-segmented with a terminal seta on tarsi; prodorsum bearing two pairs of setae, seta v_2 absent. These are incorrect based on the holotype examined. The correct characters are as follows: palp 2-segmented, tibia palp with one rod-like seta, tarsi palp with a eupathidia; prodorsum bearing three pairs of setae, seta v_2 present.

T. elegans can be separated from *T. cyathaeae* by palp 2-segmented, setal formula: 1, 1; palp tibia with one rod-like setae near distal portion; podosomal venter without porose patches.

***Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer, 1964**

(Figs. 53–78)

Tenuipalpus mahoensis Collyer, 1964: 438. fig. 4.

FEMALE (Figs. 53–58)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=10-11$, $m-m=19-20$. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate seta near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 4–6.

Idiosoma. 340–360 long, 205–220 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with a median slender, conical projections. PRODORSUM smooth, divided into 3 regions by longitudinal striations laterad to sc_1 , and 8 pairs of porose patches longitudinally situated in the middle area, another three pairs situated laterally; setae v_2 and sc_1 slender and smooth, sc_2 broadly lanceolate; lengths: v_2 3–5, sc_1 4–6, sc_2 64–68; distances: v_2-v_2 35–37, v_2-sc_1 41–49, sc_1-sc_1 95–105, sc_1-sc_2 52–57, sc_2-sc_2 205–220. HYSTERO SOMA covered with oblique striations laterad to c_1 , and few broken transversal striations between d_1-e_1 ; 13 porose patches longitudinally situated laterally, and 2–3 pairs of porose patches posterior to e_1 ; conical projection of body anterior to coax III; bearing one pair of pores, one pair of humeral setae (c_3), three pairs of dorsocentral setae (c_1 , d_1 and e_1), and six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1). Setae c_1 , d_1 , e_1 and d_3 slender and smooth and subequal in length, c_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 and h_1 broadly lanceolate except for c_3 which is rotund and e_3 which is narrower, h_2 elongate. Lengths: c_1 3–4, d_1 4–5, e_1 4–6, c_3 33–37, d_3 3–5, e_3 26–40, f_2 45–51, f_3 38–46, h_2 166–200, h_1 37–42; distances: c_1-c_1 42–47, d_1-d_1 35–42, e_1-e_1 15–20, c_3-c_3 230–

250, d_3-d_3 180–190, d_3-e_3 83–97, e_3-e_3 140–155, e_3-f_2 22–29, f_2-f_2 135–150, f_2-f_3 17–22, f_3-f_3 120–125, f_3-h_2 30–36, h_2-h_2 75–84, h_2-h_1 12–15, h_1-h_1 53–59.

Venter. Venter smooth. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and posterior medioventral seta $4a$ flagelliform, middle medioventral seta $3a$ much shorter, slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ about 3 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 97–105, $1b$ 12–14, $1c$ 17–25, $2b$ 20–24, $2c$ 28–35, $3a$ 15–19, $3b$ 29–36, $4a$ 93–110, $4b$ 23–27. Distances: $1a-1a$ 45–50, $3a-3a$ 46–54, $4a-4a$ 46–51. Genital and ventral area covered with striated flaps and dense knobs laterally; setae ag , g_1 and g_2 slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal. Anal area with three pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3), ps_1 and ps_2 subequal and more than twice as long as ps_3 . Setae lengths: ag 17–19, g_1 19–22, g_2 19–21, ps_1 32–35, ps_2 31–33, ps_3 12–14. Distances: $ag-ag$ 21–26, g_1-g_1 18–23, g_1-g_2 9–12, g_2-g_2 40–44, ps_1-ps_2 7–10, ps_2-ps_3 5–9.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 145–160, 135–145, 120–125, 120–125. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-3-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate, lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II pectinate; most ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae pectinate, seta v' on trochanters III–IV slender and smooth and bv'' on femur II lanceolate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' lanceolate; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus I–II slender and smooth and on tarsus III–IV forked. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 10–12, II ω'' 10–12. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE (Figs. 59–64)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m pectinate, $m=8-10$, $m-m=18-21$. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 5.

Idiosoma. 230–270 long, 175–185 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with slender median conical projections. PRODORSUM similar to female, divided into 3 regions by longitudinal striations laterad to sc_1 , and four pairs of porose patches longitudinally situated in the middle area, another three pairs situated laterally; setae v_2 and sc_1 slender and smooth, sc_2 broadly lanceolate; lengths: v_2 3–5, sc_1 4–5, sc_2 51–63; distances: v_2-v_2 29–34, v_2-sc_1 39–45, sc_1-sc_1 82–89, sc_1-sc_2 45–49, sc_2-sc_2 175–185. HYSTEROSOMA divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by few faint horizontal striations. Metapodosoma covered with two faint striations between c_1-c_3 and 5 porose patches situated between d_1 and d_3 . Opisthosoma covered with few oblique striations and two pairs of porose patches anterior to e_1 , forming inverted V-shaped pattern, and broken transversal striae between e_1-e_1 and three pairs of porose patches posterior to e_1 . Setae c_1 , d_1 , e_1 and d_3 slender, smooth and subequal, c_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 and h_1 broadly lanceolate except for e_3 is narrower, h_2 elongate. Lengths: c_1 2–3, d_1 2–4, e_1 3–4, c_3 25–28, d_3 3–4, e_3 18–26, f_2 36–40, f_3 33–37, h_2 145–170, h_1 27–31; distances: c_1-c_1 27–32, d_1-d_1 31–38, e_1-e_1 13–15, c_3-c_3 175–190, d_3-d_3 130–140, d_3-e_3 80–95, e_3-e_3 95–105, e_3-f_2 14–17, f_2-f_2 93–105, f_2-f_3 13–19, f_3-f_3 83–95, f_3-h_2 22–29, h_2-h_2 54–68, h_2-h_1 9–10, h_1-h_1 40–47.

Venter. Venter similar to female. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ much shorter, slender and smooth. Setae $4a$ about 8 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 88–100, $1b$ 9–13, $1c$ 17–20, $2b$ 16–19, $2c$ 27–34, $3a$ 14–16, $3b$ 26–29, $4a$ 105–125, $4b$ 21–26. Distances: $1a-1a$ 36–41, $3a-3a$ 33–38, $4a-4a$ 34–37. Genital and ventral area covered with one pair of porose patches posterior to ag , and oblique striations laterally as shown in Figs. 60–61, bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and two pairs of genital setae (g_1 and g_2), slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal. Anal area with three pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3), ps_1 and ps_2 subequal and more than twice as long as ps_3 ; ps_3 stout and with a cone. Setae lengths: ag 13–21, g_1 14–19, g_2 13–15, ps_1 17–19, ps_2 16–17, ps_3 8. Distances: $ag-ag$ 10–20, g_1-g_1 17–22, g_1-g_2 4–8, g_2-g_2 23–30, ps_1-ps_2 5–7.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 140–155, 130–140, 110–120, 110–125. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-3-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae broadly lanceolate, lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II pectinate; most ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae pectinate, v' on trochanters III–IV slender and smooth and bv'' on femur II lanceolate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' lanceolate; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus I–II slender and smooth and on tarsus III–IV forked. Solenidia ω' and ω''

and ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I-II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω' 13–16, ω'' 12–14, II ω' 11–16, ω'' 10–13. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

DEUTONYMPH (Figs. 65–69)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=8$ –10, $m-m=18$ –21. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one slender and smooth setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 4–5.

Idiosoma. 285–310 long, 160–185 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with median conical projections. PRODORSUM smooth, with faint transversal striations anterior to setae d_1 and oblique striations between d_1 and d_3 . Setae v_2 and sc_1 slender, smooth and subequal, sc_2 lanceolate; lengths: v_2 2, sc_1 2–3, sc_2 50–65; distances: v_2-v_2 27–29, v_2-sc_1 31–35, sc_1-sc_1 79–91, sc_1-sc_2 41–46, sc_2-sc_2 160–185. Setae c_1 , d_1 , e_1 and d_3 slender, smooth and subequal in length, setae c_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 and h_1 broadly lanceolate except c_3 which is more rotund, h_2 elongate. Setae c_3 and h_1 subequal, e_3 and f_2 subequal in length and about 1.2 times as long as h_1 . Lengths: c_1 2–3, d_1 2–3, e_1 2–3, c_3 22–28, d_3 2–3, e_3 33–37, f_2 33–37, f_3 26–34, h_2 105–115, h_1 23–30; distances: c_1-c_1 30–36, d_1-d_1 23–30, e_1-e_1 15–17, c_3-c_3 205–240, d_3-d_3 145–170, d_3-e_3 49–55, e_3-e_3 105–125, e_3-f_2 14–18, f_2-f_2 96–110, f_2-f_3 16–18, f_3-f_3 79–91, f_3-h_2 20–24, h_2-h_2 49–57, h_2-h_1 11–14, h_1-h_1 27–30.

Venter. Venter covered with fine transversal striations. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Setae $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ very short, slender and smooth, $1a$ about twice as long as seta $4a$ and more than 6 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 65–82, $1b$ 7–9, $1c$ 10–12, $2b$ 9–11, $2c$ 13–16, $3a$ 11–12, $3b$ 12–16, $4a$ 33–51, $4b$ 8–12. Distances: $1a-1a$ 24–31, $3a-3a$ 47–57, $4a-4a$ 42–45. Genital and ventral area bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and one pairs of genital setae (g_1). Anal area with three pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3). Setae lengths: ag 6–10, g_1 6–9, ps_1 8–13, ps_2 7–11, ps_3 5–6. Distances: $ag-ag$ 19–25, g_1-g_1 19–23, ps_1-ps_2 6–8, ps_2-ps_3 7–8.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 94–100, 85–89, 63–69, 58–60. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-0; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-3-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-3. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae broadly lanceolate, lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II pectinate; seta d on genua I–II slender and smooth; most ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae slender and smooth, setae v' and bv'' on femur I pectinate and bv'' on femur II lanceolate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' lanceolate; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus slender and smooth. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I-II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 6–7, II ω'' 6. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

PROTONYMPH (Figs. 70–74)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=4$ –6, $m-m=11$ –13. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 3–4.

Idiosoma. 220–265 long, 125–145 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with a median conical projection. PRODORSUM similar to deutonymph; lengths: v_2 2, sc_1 2–3, sc_2 41–50; distances: v_2-v_2 19–23, v_2-sc_1 25–30, sc_1-sc_1 64–72, sc_1-sc_2 29–38, sc_2-sc_2 125–145. HYSTEROSONOMA similar to deutonymph. Lengths: c_1 2–3, d_1 2–3, e_1 2, c_3 18–24, d_3 2–3, e_3 22–33, f_2 22–30, f_3 19–23, h_2 67–90, h_1 16–21; distances: c_1-c_1 29–33, d_1-d_1 22–25, e_1-e_1 12–13, c_3-c_3 145–180, d_3-d_3 105–125, d_3-e_3 32–37, e_3-e_3 80–95, e_3-f_2 10–12, f_2-f_2 70–86, f_2-f_3 10–12, f_3-f_3 60–69, f_3-h_2 15–18, h_2-h_2 37–41, h_2-h_1 9–10, h_1-h_1 18–21.

Venter. Venter similar to deutonymph. Setae $1a$ flagelliform and more than 8 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 61–89, $1b$ 6–8, $1c$ 9–12, $2c$ 9–11, $3a$ 8–10, $3b$ 8–10. Distances: $1a-1a$ 17–23, $3a-3a$ 41–47. Genital and ventral area bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag). Anal area with three pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3). Setae ps_1 and ps_2 subequal in length. Setae lengths: ag 6–7, ps_1 5–7, ps_2 5–7, ps_3 4–5. Distances: $ag-ag$ 16–19, ps_1-ps_2 5, ps_2-ps_3 5–6.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 63–68, 57–63, 44–50, 37–40. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-1-1-0; trochanters 0-0-1-0; femora 3-3-2-1; genua 1-1-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 6+ ω -6+ ω -3-3. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate, lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II slender and smooth; most ventral setae on trochanters, femora and tibiae slender and smooth, seta bv'' on femur II lanceolate. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' lanceolate; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia

$p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I-II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 4–5, II ω'' 4–5. Claws developed with tenant hairs on each side.

LARVA (Figs. 75–78)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one slender and smooth setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 1–2.

Idiosoma. 165–190 long, 100–110 wide. Rostral round. PRODORSUM covered with dense round tubercles anteriorly and mesally, a broad band of transversal striations between setae sc_2 and c_3 . Bearing three pairs of prodorsal setae (v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2), setae v_2 and sc_1 slender, smooth and subequal, sc_2 lanceolate; lengths: v_2 2, sc_1 2–3, sc_2 27–35; distances: v_2-v_2 16–18, v_2-sc_1 25–28, sc_1-sc_1 57–61, sc_1-sc_2 23–25, sc_2-sc_2 100–110. HYSTERO SOMA similar to deutonymph, covered with irregular striae posterior to e_1 . Lengths: c_1 2–3, d_1 2–3, e_1 2, c_3 12–15, d_3 2–3, e_3 15–18, f_2 17–19, f_3 13–15, h_2 60–66, h_1 12–13; distances: c_1-c_1 28–31, d_1-d_1 21–22, e_1-e_1 9–13, c_3-c_3 100–125, d_3-d_3 77–84, d_3-e_3 17–18, e_3-e_3 64–78, e_3-f_2 10–13, f_2-f_2 54–66, f_2-f_3 9–11, f_3-f_3 46–50, f_3-h_2 10–11, h_2-h_2 28–30, h_2-h_1 8–10, h_1-h_1 12–13.

Venter. Venter similar to deutonymph. Seta $1a$ flagelliform and more than 7 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 55–67, $1b$ 7–9, $3a$ 8. Distances: $1a-1a$ 14–15, $3a-3a$ 32–40. Anal area with three pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3). Setae lengths: ps_1 4, ps_2 4–5, ps_3 4. Distances: ps_1-ps_2 3–5, ps_2-ps_3 4–5.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–III: 42–47, 38–43, 36–40. Chaetotaxy: coxae 1-0-0; trochanters 0-0-0; femora 3-3-2; genua 1-1-1; tibiae 5-5-3; tarsus 6+ ω -6+ ω -3. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate, dorsal seta d on femora and genua I–II slender and smooth, lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II slender and smooth; most ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on femora and tibiae slender and smooth, seta bv'' on femur II lanceolate. Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' slender and smooth; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I-II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 4–5, II ω'' 4–5. Claws developed with tenant hairs on each side.

Distribution. BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: AK.

Material examined. 68 non-types specimens. **Non-types:** NEW ZEALAND: **AK:** Auckland, Waitakere, Ra Old Coach Road, 14, Mar., 2006, N. A. Martin, *Hebe macrocarpa*, NZAC: 1/3 females, 1/1 female, 1/2 males. Piha, Laird Thonson Track, 6, Oct., 2013, N. A. Martin, *Veronica macrocarpa*, NZAC: 14 females, 10 males, 13 deutonymphs, 9 protonymphs, 16 larvae.

Habitat. *Hebe macrocarpa*, *Veronica macrocarpa*.

Remarks. This species was depicted as follows by Collyer (1964): palp 2-segmented, genua I–IV with 2, 2, 1, 0 setae; tibia I–IV 4, 4, 3, 3 setae. The depiction is found incorrect after the types are examined. The correct characters should be: palp 3-segmented, genua I–IV with 3, 3, 1, 0 setae; tibia I–IV 5, 5, 3, 3 setae.

Tenuipalpus montanus Collyer, 1973

(Figs. 79–83)

Tenuipalpus montanus Collyer, 1973b: 949, fig. 26.

Acaricis montanus: Castro et al. 2018: 857, figs. 1–4.

FEMALE (Figs. 79–83)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=$ 6 (5–6), $m-m=$ 12 (12–13). Palp 4-segmented, setal formula: 0, 0, 2, 2; tibia with two slender and smooth setae, tarsus with two eupathidia, 4 (4–5), 5 (4–5).

Idiosoma. 325 (285–340) long, 180 (180–210) wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. PRODORSUM covered with curved striations between sc_1-sc_1 , U-shaped, and transversal striations between sc_2 and c_3 ; setae v_2 and sc_1 slender and smooth, sc_2 lanceolate and about 3 times as long as sc_1 ; lengths: v_2 (5–6), sc_1 8 (6–8), sc_2 24 (19–24); distances: v_2-v_2 41 (36–43), v_2-sc_1 42 (42–48), sc_1-sc_1 100 (94–105), sc_1-sc_2 40 (40–52), sc_2-sc_2 180 (180–210). HYSTERO SOMA covered with transversal wrinkles mesally and oblique striations laterally; with curved striations posterior to e_1 ; bearing one pair of humeral setae (c_3), two pairs of dorsocentral setae (d_1 and e_1), and six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1). Setae c_3 , d_1 , e_1 , d_3 and e_3 slender and smooth, d_1 , e_1 and c_3 subequal in length, d_3 and e_3 subequal in length; setae f_2 , f_3 and h_1 lanceolate,

subequal in length and about 5 times as long as e_3 ; setae h_2 flagelliform. Lengths: d_1 5, e_1 5 (4–5), c_3 5 (4–6), d_3 3 (3–4), e_3 4 (3–5), f_2 21 (18–22), f_3 20 (19–22), h_2 110 (86–110), h_1 19 (18–21); distances: d_1-d_1 55 (41–55), e_1-e_1 26 (21–30), c_3-c_3 190 (190–210), d_3-d_3 165 (165–190), d_3-e_3 115 (105–135), e_3-e_3 140 (140–160), e_3-f_2 22 (18–24), f_2-f_2 145 (145–150), f_2-f_3 19 (18–22), f_3-f_3 120 (120–130), f_3-h_2 17 (17–21), h_2-h_2 95 (68–100), h_2-h_1 15 (15–23), h_1-h_1 65 (55–67).

Venter. Venter covered with oblique striae posterior to coxa II, transversal striae anterior to coxa III, and longitudinal striations between coxae III and IV, and with transversal striations between $1a-4a$. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$, $4a_1$ and $4a_2$ flagelliform, $3a$ much shorter, slender and smooth. Setae $4a_1$ and $4a_2$ subequal in length, about 9 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 135 (125–140), $1b$ 13 (12–16), $1c$ 14 (11–16), $2b$ 14 (12–15), $2c$ 14 (12–14), $3a$ 10 (8–11), $3b$ 10 (10–13), $4a_1$ 92 (92–110), $4a_2$ 94 (91–105), $4b$ 12 (11–12). Distances: $1a-1a$ 46 (46–51), $3a-3a$ 30 (29–41), $4a_1-4a_1$ 28 (28–36), $4a_1-4a_2$ 28 (28–36), $4a_2-4a_2$ 48 (48–59). Genital and ventral area with transverse and arched striae, respectively as shown in Fig. 80, bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and two pairs of genital setae (g_1 and g_2), slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal. Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2), ps_1 and ps_2 subequal. Setae lengths: ag 11 (10–12), g_1 18, g_2 19 (18–20), ps_1 11 (8–12), ps_2 11 (10–12). Distances: $ag-ag$ 18 (17–28), g_1-g_1 12 (12–13), g_1-g_2 17 (16–19), g_2-g_2 45 (43–53), ps_1-ps_2 29 (27–40).

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 100 (100–130), 93 (93–110), 86 (86–100), 83 (83–105). Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-2; genua 2-2-1-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 7+ ω -7+ ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate, lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II slender and smooth; ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae mostly slender and smooth, seta bv'' on femur II lanceolate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform; unguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus I–IV slender and smooth. Solenidia ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 7 (7–8), II ω'' 7 (6–8). Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE. Unknown.

Distribution. BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: CO.

Material examined. Holotype and 8 paratype. **Holotype** female. NEW ZEALAND: **CO:** Central Otago, Queenstown, Lake Manapouri area, Turret Range, Mt Grey 1250m, 9, Jan., 1970, A. C. Eyles, *Pimelea sericeo-villosa* with litter and soil from beneath this shrub, NZAC: 1/1 female. **Paratypes:** Same collection data as holotype slide: NZAC: 1/4 females, 1/3 females. **CO:** West of Lake Manapouri, Wilmot Pass, Mt Barber, 1100m, 8, Jan., 1970, A. C. Eyles, mixed mats taken near tarns, NZAC: 1/1 female.

Habitat. *Pimelea sericeo-villosa* with litter and soil from beneath this shrub, mixed mats taken near tarns.

Remarks. *T. montanus* can be separated from *T. alpinus* by seta sc_2 lanceolate and about 3 times as long as sc_1 ; prodosum covered with curved striations between sc_1-sc_1 , U-shaped. For discussion on its placement in *Tenuipalpus* (not *Arcaricis*), see comments on page 19.

Tenuipalpus rangiorae Collyer, 1964

(Figs. 84–93)

Tenuipalpus rangiorae Collyer, 1964: 436, figs. 3A, B.

FEMALE (Figs. 84–88)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=$ 27–30, $m-m=$ 16–18. Palp 1-segmented, tarsus with one slender and smooth setae, 23–33.

Idiosoma. 230–285 long, 160–190 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. PRODORSUM covered with irregular wrinkles mesally and laterally, setae v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2 lanceolate and barbed, v_2 and sc_1 subequal, and sc_2 about twice as long as sc_1 ; lengths: v_2 22–33, sc_1 20–30, sc_2 48–62; distances: v_2-v_2 69–85, v_2-sc_1 22–30, sc_1-sc_1 97–125, sc_1-sc_2 29–40, sc_2-sc_2 160–190. HYSTERO SOMA covered irregular wrinkles mesally and laterally; bearing one pair of pores anterior to e_3 , one pair of humeral setae (c_3), three pairs of dorsocentral setae (c_1 , d_1 and e_1), and six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1). All setae lanceolate and barbed except h_2 elongate. Setae d_1 and e_1 subequal in length. Setae c_3 and f_3 subequal and more than twice as long as seta f_2 . Lengths: c_1 36–48, d_1 31–34, e_1 29–31, c_3 31–35, d_3 11–21, e_3 8–11, f_2 12–16, f_3 32–38, h_2 150–205, h_1 22–

33; distances: c_1-c_1 48–61, d_1-d_1 38–43, e_1-e_1 13–24, c_3-c_3 180–210, d_3-d_3 145–175, d_3-e_3 48–67, e_3-e_3 115–125, e_3-f_2 17–27, f_2-f_2 105–125, f_3-f_3 19–23, f_3-f_3 88–110, f_3-h_2 24–32, h_2-h_2 59–71, h_2-h_1 14–19, h_1-h_1 33–35.

Venter. Venter covered with irregular striae between coxae II–IV and transversal striations between $1a-3a$, fine transversal striations between $3a-3a$, and irregular striae between $3a-4a$. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ flagelliform, $3a$ and $4a$ slender and smooth and subequal in length, $1a$ longest and more than 4 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 105–135, $1b$ 24–29, $1c$ 21–25, $2b$ 29–35, $2c$ 26–32, $3a$ 28–32, $3b$ 31–35, $4a$ 27–34, $4b$ 35–40. Distances: $1a-1a$ 29–33, $3a-3a$ 33–42, $4a-4a$ 23–50. Genital and ventral area with irregular striae mesally and oblique striae laterally as shown in Fig. 82, bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and two pairs of genital setae (g_1 and g_2), slender and smooth and subequal. Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2), ps_1 more than twice as long as ps_2 . Setae lengths: ag 23–31, g_1 26–36, g_2 23–31, ps_1 25–33, ps_2 10–12. Distances: $ag-ag$ 23–34, g_1-g_1 14–27, g_1-g_2 6–10, g_2-g_2 28–43, ps_1-ps_2 5–6.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 100–130, 89–115, 80–105, 83–105. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-3-0-0; tibiae 3-3-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae slender and smooth, dorsal seta d on femur I lanceolate and on femora II–III barbed, lateral seta l' on trochanter III slender and smooth and on tibiae I barbed; most ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae slender and smooth, seta v' on tibia III pectinate and bv'' on femur II slender and smooth; Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' slender and smooth; unguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal setae tc' and tc'' on tarsus I–IV slender and smooth. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 11–12, II ω'' 11–12. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE (Figs. 89–93)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=$ 26–29, $m-m=$ 15–17. Palp 1-segmented, tarsus with a slender and smooth seta, 25–26.

Idiosoma. 235–245 long, 145–155 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projections. PRODORSUM similar to female, covered with oblique wrinkles mesally and laterally; propodosomal setae lanceolate, sc_2 about twice as long as sc_1 ; lengths: v_2 23–27, sc_1 21–24, sc_2 41–49; distances: v_2-v_2 60–63, v_2-sc_1 23–26, sc_1-sc_1 90–96, sc_1-sc_2 30–32, sc_2-sc_2 145–155. HYSTEROOSOMA covered with irregular wrinkles as shown in Fig. 86; bearing one pair of pores anterior to e_3 . All setae lanceolate except h_2 elongate. Lengths: c_1 22–26, d_1 17–19, e_1 16–19, c_3 30–33, d_3 17–19, e_3 14–18, f_2 16–19, f_3 33–36, h_2 175–210, h_1 17–23; distances: c_1-c_1 41–44, d_1-d_1 30–34, e_1-e_1 4–8, c_3-c_3 145–155, d_3-d_3 110–115, d_3-e_3 57–63, e_3-e_3 77–85, e_3-f_2 17–21, f_2-f_2 71–78, f_2-f_3 20–28, f_3-f_3 74–84, f_3-h_2 21–23, h_2-h_2 52–61, h_2-h_1 12–16, h_1-h_1 28–35.

Venter. Venter covered with few oblique striae between coxae II–IV and irregular striae between setae $3a-4a$. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ about 3 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 84–125, $1b$ 23–26, $1c$ 22–25, $2b$ 37–43, $2c$ 27–30, $3a$ 23–24, $3b$ 30–31, $4a$ 65–86, $4b$ 29–34. Distances: $1a-1a$ 28, $3a-3a$ 31–39, $4a-4a$ 24–30. Genital and ventral area with oblique striae laterally and broken transversal striae anterior to g_1 as shown in Fig. 87, setae ag , g_1 and g_2 , slender and smooth and subequal. Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2), ps_1 slender and smooth and about twice as long as ps_2 , ps_2 stout and with cone. Setae lengths: ag 18–27, g_1 28–31, g_2 28–32, ps_1 20–24, ps_2 8–10. Distances: $ag-ag$ 14–16, g_1-g_1 15–20, g_1-g_2 6–7, g_2-g_2 24–27, ps_1-ps_2 18–21.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 130–135, 110–115, 90–100, 100–105. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-3-0-0; tibiae 3-3-3-3; tarsus 8+ 2ω -8+ 2ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae barbed, dorsal seta d on femur I–III lanceolate and on tibiae III–IV slender and smooth; most ventral setae on trochanters, femora and tibiae slender and smooth, seta v' on tibia IV slender, with spinules and bv'' on femur II lanceolate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' lanceolate; unguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus I–IV slender and smooth. Solenidia ω' and ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω' 14–16, ω'' 13–14, II ω' 12–15, ω'' 11–15. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

Distribution: BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: NN, WO.

Material examined. 372 non-type specimens. **Non-types:** Te Morehu Orere, 11, Sep., 1960, E. Collyer, *Brachyglottis repanda*, NZAC: 1/4 females, 4 males. **NN:** Nelson, New Zealand, Nelson, Eves Valley, Palmers

Bush, 5, Sep., 1969, E. Collyer, *Rubus* sp., NZAC: 1/2 females, 3 males, 6 deutonymphs; 1/1 male, 10 deutonymphs, 3 protonymphs; 1/10 deutonymphs, 12 protonymphs, 4 larvae; 1/14 deutonymphs, 1 protonymph, 2 larvae. Ruby Bay, 20, Oct., 1969, E. Collyer, *Brachyglottis repanda*, NZAC: 1/2 females, 6 males, 17 deutonymphs, 8 protonymphs, 2 larvae; 1/2 females, 5 males, 16 deutonymphs, 7 protonymphs, 6 larvae; 1/16 males; 1/20 females, 9 males, 3 deutonymphs; 1/19 females, 8 males, 3 deutonymphs; 1/1 deutonymph, 13 protonymphs, 3 larvae; 1/33 females, 6 males, 4 deutonymphs; 1/56 larvae; 1/2 females, 3 deutonymphs; 1/20 females, 1 male, 1 protonymph, 1 larva. Abel Tasman Nation Park, Waiharakeke, 27, Oct., 1969, E. Collyer, *Metrosideros* sp., NZAC: 1/2 females. **WO:** Waikato, Waitomo Cave, 20, Oct., 1969, E. Collyer, *Brachyglottis repanda*, NZAC: 1/2 females, 3 deutonymphs.

Habitat: *Brachyglottis repanda*, *Rubus* sp., *Metrosideros* sp.

Remarks. *T. rangiorae* can be separated from *T. senecionis* by having setae v_2 and sc_1 subequal in length, sc_2 about twice as long as v_2 ; setae d_1 and e_1 subequal in length; genua I–IV carrying 3, 3, 0, 0 setae.

Tenuipalpus senecionis Collyer, 1973

(Figs. 94–103)

Tenuipalpus senecionis Collyer, 1973b: 945, figs. 32–33.

FEMALE (Figs. 94–98)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=33$ (28–34), $m-m=16$ (16–18). Palp 1-segmented, tarsus with one slender and smooth seta, 28 (25–28).

Idiosoma. 260 (245–280) long, 155 (150–165) wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. Idiosoma widest at posterior margin of prodosum, narrowing abruptly at base of opisthosoma, then gradually narrows posteriorly. PRODORSUM covered with irregular wrinkles mesally and oblique striations laterally; setae v_2 , sc_1 and sc_2 lanceolate, v_2 longest and about 1.3 times as long as sc_2 ; lengths: v_2 34 (30–34), sc_1 28 (26–28), sc_2 22 (22–26); distances: v_2-v_2 57 (54–62), v_2-sc_1 23 (22–25), sc_1-sc_1 89 (88–100), sc_1-sc_2 34 (28–35), sc_2-sc_2 155 (150–165). HYSTEROSONA covered irregular wrinkles mesally and laterally; bearing 1 pair of pores anterior to e_3 , one pair of humeral setae (c_3), three pairs of dorsocentral setae (c_1 , d_1 and e_1), and six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1). All setae lanceolate except h_2 elongate. Setae c_1 and d_1 subequal in length and about twice as long as e_1 . Setae c_3 and e_3 subequal, f_3 and h_1 subequal and about 3 times as long as c_3 . Lengths: c_1 34 (34–39), d_1 30 (30–35), e_1 14 (14–20), c_3 12 (10–16), d_3 9 (9–11), e_3 9 (9–15), f_2 19 (17–25), f_3 38 (35–41), h_2 175 (150–180), h_1 35 (34–40); distances: c_1-c_1 55 (51–55), d_1-d_1 36 (5–42), e_1-e_1 19 (14–19), c_3-c_3 165 (165–170), d_3-d_3 150 (145–155), d_3-e_3 62 (60–63), e_3-e_3 115 (115–125), e_3-f_2 22 (20–22), f_2-f_2 110 (110–125), f_2-f_3 21 (19–24), f_3-f_3 95 (95–100), f_3-h_2 28 (26–29), h_2-h_2 59 (59–62), h_2-h_1 14 (14–15), h_1-h_1 30 (30–33).

Venter. Venter smooth. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta 1a flagelliform, 3a and 4a slender, smooth and subequal in length, 1a longest and more than 4 times as long as 3a. Lengths: 1a 120 (110–120), 1b 25 (25–29), 1c 22 (20–22), 2b 31 (31–37), 2c 24 (24–31), 3a 23 (22–28), 3b 25 (22–27), 4a 31 (25–31), 4b 32 (27–32). Distances: 1a–1a 29 (28–29), 3a–3a 44 (40–44), 4a–4a 33 (33–38). Genital and ventral area with few striae, bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and two pairs of genital setae (g_1 and g_2), slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal. Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2), ps_1 more than 1.5 times as long as ps_2 . Setae lengths: ag 19 (19–23), g_1 28 (26–30), g_2 27 (25–28), ps_1 26 (22–26), ps_2 18 (12–18). Distances: ag–ag 21 (21–24), g_1-g_1 12 (12–15), g_1-g_2 11 (7–11), g_2-g_2 34 (28–35), ps_1-ps_2 4 (4–5).

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 135 (130–140), 115 (110–120), 100 (92–105), 110 (100–110). Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-1-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-2-0-0; tibiae 3-3-3-3; tarsus 8+ ω -8+ ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate, lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II pectinate; most ventral setae on trochanters and femora slender and smooth, bv'' on femur II lanceolate; setae v' and v'' on tibiae I–IV pectinate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' barbed; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus I–IV slender and smooth. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 11 (10–11), II ω'' 10. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE (Figs. 99–103)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching middle of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=22–25$, $m-m=15$. Palp 1-segmented, tarsus with a slender and smooth seta, 19–24.

Idiosoma. 210–230 long, 125–130 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projections. PRODORSUM mesally covered with irregular wrinkles forming an O-shaped pattern and laterally bearing oblique striations, propodosomal setae lanceolate, v_2 longest and about 1.6 times as long as sc_2 ; lengths: v_2 24–29, sc_1 19–25, sc_2 12–18; distances: v_2-v_2 48–52, v_2-sc_1 17–18, sc_1-sc_1 74–78, sc_1-sc_2 27–29, sc_2-sc_2 125–130. HYSTEROSONA divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by few faint horizontal striations. Metapodosoma covered with irregular wrinkles mesally and laterally. Opisthosoma covered with 2 longitudinal striations anterior to e_1 and oblique striae laterally. All setae lanceolate except h_2 elongate. Setae c_1 about twice as long as e_1 ; setae c_3 , e_3 , and f_2 , subequal, f_3 and h_1 subequal and about twice as long as f_2 . Lengths: c_1 21–22, d_1 15–16, e_1 8–12, c_3 9–10, d_3 7–9, e_3 10–11, f_2 12, f_3 25–28, h_2 145–170, h_1 20–23; distances: c_1-c_1 41–43, d_1-d_1 29–32, e_1-e_1 8–10, c_3-c_3 120–135, d_3-d_3 95–105, d_3-e_3 46–55, e_3-e_3 65–75, e_3-f_2 16–19, f_2-f_2 66–72, f_2-f_3 17, f_3-f_3 70–72, f_3-h_2 20–23, h_2-h_2 54–55, h_2-h_1 14–15, h_1-h_1 25–27.

Venter. Venter smooth, similar to female. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and posterior medioventral seta $4a$ flagelliform, middle medioventral seta $3a$ slender and smooth. Setae $1a$ longest more than 6 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 71–105, $1b$ 23–24, $1c$ 15–18, $2b$ 26–28, $2c$ 17–18, $3a$ 12–16, $3b$ 20–23, $4a$ 80–82, $4b$ 25–26. Distances: $1a-1a$ 25, $3a-3a$ 35–39, $4a-4a$ 24–25. Genital and ventral area bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and two pairs of genital setae (g_1 and g_2), slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal. Anal area with two pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 and ps_2), ps_1 more than twice as long as ps_2 . Setae lengths: ag 17–20, g_1 23–27, g_2 22–25, ps_1 13–14, ps_2 7–8. Distances: $ag-ag$ 13–15, g_1-g_1 17, g_1-g_2 6, g_2-g_2 25–26, ps_1-ps_2 17–18.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 125–130, 100–110, 85–90, 94–97. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-1-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 3-2-0-0; tibiae 3-3-3-3; tarsus 8+2 ω -8+2 ω -5-5. All dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae barbed, most ventral setae v' , ev' and bv'' on trochanters and femora slender and smooth, seta v' on femur I pectinate and bv'' on femur II barbed; setae v' and v'' on tibiae I–IV pectinate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–IV flagelliform, ft'' barbed; uguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus I–IV slender and smooth. Solenidia ω' and ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω' 8–11, ω'' 8–13, II ω' 7–10, ω'' 8–11. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

Distribution. BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: AK.

Material examined. Holotype and 9 paratypes. **Holotype** female. NEW ZEALAND: AK: Auckland, Waitakere Ranges, 7, Nov., 1966, E. Collyer, *Senecio kirkii*, NZAC: 1/1 female, 9 paratypes (3 females, 2 males, 2 deutonymphs, 2 larvae). **Paratypes:** on the same slide with holotype: NZAC: 1/3 females, 2 males, 2 deutonymphs, 2 larvae.

Habitat. *Senecio kirkii*.

Remarks. *T. senencionis* can be separated from *T. rangiorae* by having setae v_2 longest, about 1.3 times as long as sc_2 ; setae d_1 about twice as long as e_1 ; genua I–IV carrying 3, 2, 0, 0 setae.

***Tenuipalpus venustus* Collyer, 1973**

(Figs. 104–113)

Tenuipalpus venustus Collyer, 1973b: 951, figs. 36–37.

FEMALE (Figs. 104–108)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal one third of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=10–12$, $m-m=17$ (11–17). Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 6 (5–6).

Idiosoma. 285 (275–285) long, 200 (165–200) wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. PRODORSUM mesally covered with reticulations surrounded by two strong longitudinal wrinkles, and laterally bearing few reticulations and irregular striae; setae v_2 and sc_1 short, slender and subequal in length, sc_2 lanceolate and about 9 times as long as sc_1 ; lengths: v_2 4 (4–5), sc_1 4, sc_2 36–37; distances: v_2-v_2 37 (36–37), v_2-sc_1 33 (33–40), sc_1-sc_1 105 (98–110), sc_1-sc_2 48 (33–45), sc_2-sc_2 200 (165–200). HYSTEROSONA covered with

transversal striations between c_1-e_1 and reticulations laterally, and with irregular wrinkles posterior to e_1 as shown in Fig. 104; bearing one pair of humeral setae (c_3), three pairs of dorsocentral setae (c_1 , d_1 and e_1), and six pairs of dorsolateral setae (d_3 , e_3 , f_2 , f_3 , h_2 and h_1). Setae c_1 , d_1 , e_1 , c_3 and d_3 slender, smooth and subequal in length. Setae e_3 , f_2 and f_3 longer, lanceolate, subequal, h_2 longest and about 3 times as long as e_3 . Lengths: c_1 3 (3–6), d_1 3–4, e_1 3–5, c_3 4, d_3 3 (3–5), e_3 26 (20–26), f_2 24 (21–24), f_3 26 (23–26), h_2 78, h_1 18 (17–22); distances: c_1-c_1 38 (32–47), d_1-d_1 28–30, e_1-e_1 18–20, c_3-c_3 250 (210–250), d_3-d_3 205 (165–205), d_3-e_3 100 (70–100), e_3-e_3 165 (135–165), e_3-f_2 19 (18–22), f_2-f_2 150 (125–150), f_2-f_3 20 (14–20), f_3-f_3 125 (100–125), f_3-h_2 23 (16–23), h_2-h_2 95 (75–95), h_2-h_1 17 (9–17), h_1-h_1 66 (55–66).

Venter. Venter smooth. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ about 4 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 92 (92–100), $1b$ 12 (10–14), $1c$ 18 (14–18), $2b$ 17 (15–17), $2c$ 17 (16–18), $3a$ 19 (16–19), $3b$ 20 (20–22), $4a$ 67 (62–88), $4b$ 20 (17–21). Distances: $1a-1a$ 42 (30–42), $3a-3a$ 48 (43–48), $4a-4a$ 48 (40–48). Genital and ventral area covered with transversal striations and oblique striae as shown in Fig. 105, bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and two pairs of genital setae (g_1 and g_2), slender and smooth, g_1 and g_2 subequal. Anal area with three pairs of pseudanal setae (ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3), ps_1 and ps_2 subequal in length. Setae lengths: ag 21 (18–21), g_1 26 (22–26), g_2 22 (18–23), ps_1 16 (14–20), ps_2 15 (15–20), ps_3 14 (12–15). Distances: $ag-ag$ 40 (24–40), g_1-g_1 18 (13–19), g_1-g_2 12 (9–12), g_2-g_2 41 (30–41), ps_1-ps_2 4 (4–7), ps_2-ps_3 11 (8–12).

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 120 (82–120), 105 (70–105), 90 (68–90), 99 (65–99). Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 2-2-0-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 7+ ω -7+ ω -5-5. Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae spatulate, lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II pectinate; most ventral setae on trochanters, femora and tibiae pectinate, seta bv'' on femur II spatulate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–II lanceolate with flagelliform and tarsi III–IV flagelliform; unguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus I–IV slender and smooth. Solenidion ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I–II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω'' 7 (7–9), II ω'' 7 (7–9). Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

MALE (Figs. 109–113)

Gnathosoma. Rostrum reaching proximal end of femur I, subcapitular setae m slender and smooth, $m=9-13$, $m-m=14-16$. Palp 3-segmented, setal formula: 0, 1, 1; tibia with one pectinate setae near distal portion, tarsus with one eupathidium, 5–6.

Idiosoma. 245–265 long, 160–170 wide. Rostral shield pitted, with two median conical projection. PRODORSUM covered with strong longitudinal wrinkles mesally, U-shaped, and oblique striations laterally, setae v_2 and sc_1 slender, smooth and subequal, sc_2 lanceolate and about 8 times as long as v_2 ; lengths: v_2 4, sc_1 4, sc_2 30–36; distances: v_2-v_2 39–42, v_2-sc_1 36–37, sc_1-sc_1 89–97, sc_1-sc_2 33–35, sc_2-sc_2 160–170. HYSTEROSOMA divided into metapodosoma and opisthosoma by few faint horizontal striations. Metapodosoma covered with irregular wrinkles mesally and laterally. Opisthosoma covered with inverted V-shaped oblique striations anterior to e_1 , and faint broken striae posterior to e_1 as shown in Fig. 109; bearing one pair of pores anterior to e_3 . Setae c_1 , d_1 , e_1 , c_3 and d_3 slender, smooth and subequal in length. Setae e_3 , f_2 , f_3 and h_1 subequal. Lengths: c_1 4–5, d_1 3–4, e_1 3, c_3 4–5, d_3 3, e_3 15–18, f_2 19–21, f_3 17–19, h_2 75–84, h_1 17–18; distances: c_1-c_1 33–36, d_1-d_1 23–24, e_1-e_1 17–19, c_3-c_3 165–175, d_3-d_3 125, d_3-e_3 72–83, e_3-e_3 92–95, e_3-f_2 11–13, f_2-f_2 90–93, f_2-f_3 10–14, f_3-f_3 79–83, f_3-h_2 13–15, h_2-h_2 61–66, h_2-h_1 10–11, h_1-h_1 41–45.

Venter. Venter smooth. All coxal setae slender and smooth. Seta $1a$ and $4a$ flagelliform, $3a$ slender and smooth. Seta $4a$ about 6 times as long as $3a$. Lengths: $1a$ 66–81, $1b$ 10–15, $1c$ 10–15, $2b$ 13–17, $2c$ 18–19, $3a$ 12–14, $3b$ 17–23, $4a$ 78–81, $4b$ 14–18. Distances: $1a-1a$ 29–32, $3a-3a$ 30–32, $4a-4a$ 21–23. Genital and ventral area bearing one pair of aggenital setae (ag) and two pairs of genital setae (g_1 and g_2), slender, smooth and subequal. Pseudanal setae ps_1 , ps_2 and ps_3 subequal. Setae lengths: ag 13–17, g_1 14–16, g_2 15, ps_1 13–14, ps_2 10–11, ps_3 10–12. Distances: $ag-ag$ 13–19, g_1-g_1 24–25, g_1-g_2 6, g_2-g_2 34–35, ps_1-ps_2 4–6, ps_2-ps_3 12–14.

Legs. Lengths of legs I–IV: 99–105, 98–100, 85–88, 88–93. Chaetotaxy: coxae 2-2-1-1; trochanters 1-1-2-1; femora 4-4-2-1; genua 2-2-0-0; tibiae 5-5-3-3; tarsus 7+ ω -7+ ω -5+ ω -5+ ω . Most dorsal and lateral setae on trochanters, femora, genua and tibiae lanceolate, seta d on tibia I rod-like and lateral seta l' on tibiae I–II pectinate; ventral setae v' , ev' , v'' and bv'' on trochanters, femora and tibiae mostly pectinate, seta bv'' on femur II lanceolate; Setae ft' on tarsi I–II lanceolate with flagelliform and tarsi III–IV flagelliform; unguinal setae u' and u'' pectinate

and equal in length; tectal seta tc' and tc'' on tarsus I-II slender, smooth and on tarsus III-IV barbed except tc' on tarsi III forked. Solenidia ω' and ω'' and eupathidia $p'\zeta$ and $p''\zeta$ on tarsi I-II rod-like. Lengths of solenidia: I ω' 14–16, ω'' 12–14, II ω' 13–16, ω'' 10–14. Claws developed with tenent hairs on each side.

Distribution. BASED ON MATERIAL EXAMINED: NEW ZEALAND: NN, CO, BR, AK.

Material examined. Holotype, 25 paratypes and 133 non-type specimens. **Holotype** female. NEW ZEALAND: NN: Nelson, Takaka Hill, Canaan Area, Mount Evans Track, 16, Dec., 1965, E. Collyer, *Libocedrus bidwillii*, NZAC: 1/1 female. **Paratypes:** NN: Nelson, Takaka Hill, Canaan Area, 26, Feb., 1966, E. Collyer, *Libocedrus plumose*, NZAC: 1/3 females, 2 deutonymphs, 2 protonymphs. Nelson lakes National Park, St Arnaud, 12, Feb., 1966, E. Collyer, *Dacrydium bidwilli*, NZAC: 1/16 females, 2 males. **Non-types:** NN: Nelson lakes National Park, St Arnaud, 12, Feb., 1966, E. Collyer, *Dacrydium bidwilli*, NZAC: 1/17 females, 2 males, 2 deutonymphs. Takaka Hill, Canaan Area, 15, May, 1965, E. Collyer, *Dacrydium intermedium*, NZAC: 1/5 females, 1 deutonymph. Takaka Hill, Canaan Area, 5, Jun., 1965, E. Collyer, *Dacrydium intermedium*, NZAC: 1/1 female, 1 male; 1/2 females, 5 males; 1/2 females, 1 male; 1/2 females, 1 male, 4 deutonymphs, 1 protonymph [+*Ultratenuipalpus arboreus* 4 deutonymphs]. Takaka Hill, Canaan Area, 5, Jun., 1965, E. Collyer, *Libocedrus bidwilli*, NZAC: 1/9 females, 3 males, 1 protonymph; 1/6 females. Takaka Hill, Canaan Area, 5, Nov., 1965, E. Collyer, *Libocedrus bidwilli*, NZAC: 1/2 females, 1 male, 2 deutonymphs, 3 protonymphs [+*Ultratenuipalpus arboreus* 2 females, 2 males]. Lake Sylvester Gobb, 2, Jan., 1966, E. Collyer, *Dacrydium bidwilli*, NZAC: 1/2 females. Takaka Hill, Canaan Area, 8, Jun., 1969, E. Collyer, *Dacrydium intermedium*, NZAC: 1/9 males; 1/2 males, 8 deutonymphs, 2 protonymphs, 1 larva. **CO:** Otago, Te Anou Reserve, 17, Mar., 1966, E. Collyer, *Dacrydium bidwilli*, NZAC: 1/18 females, 1 male; 1/1 female. **BR:** Buller, Greymouth, Arthurs Ross National Park, 12, Nov., 1968, E. Collyer, *Dacrydium laxifolium*, NZAC: 1/2 females, 6 males, 1 larva. **AK:** Auckland, Waitakere Ranges, Fairy Falls Track, 10, Aug., 2003, R.C. Henderson, *Libocedrus plumose*, NZAC: 4/4 females; 3/3 males.

Habitat. *Libocedrus bidwillii*, *Libocedrus plumose*, *Dacrydium bidwilli*, *Dacrydium intermedium*, *Dacrydium laxifolium*.

Remarks. *T. venustus* can be separated from *T. austrocedri* by humeral setae c_3 minute and smooth; genua with 2-2-0-0 setae (setae c_3 enlarged lanceolate; genua with 3-3-1-0 setae in *T. austrocedri*).

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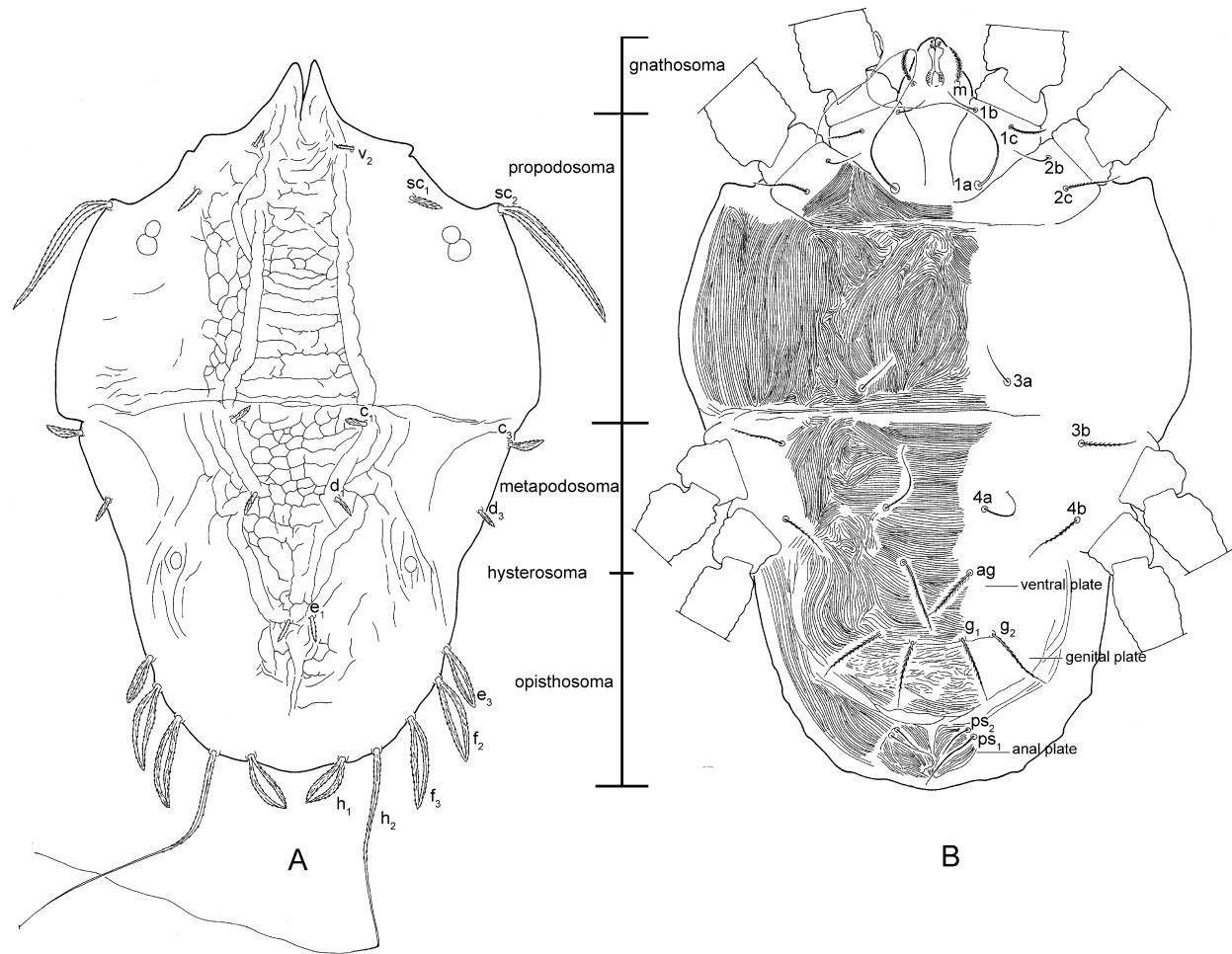


FIGURE 1. *Tenuipalpus antipodus* female dorsum and venter.

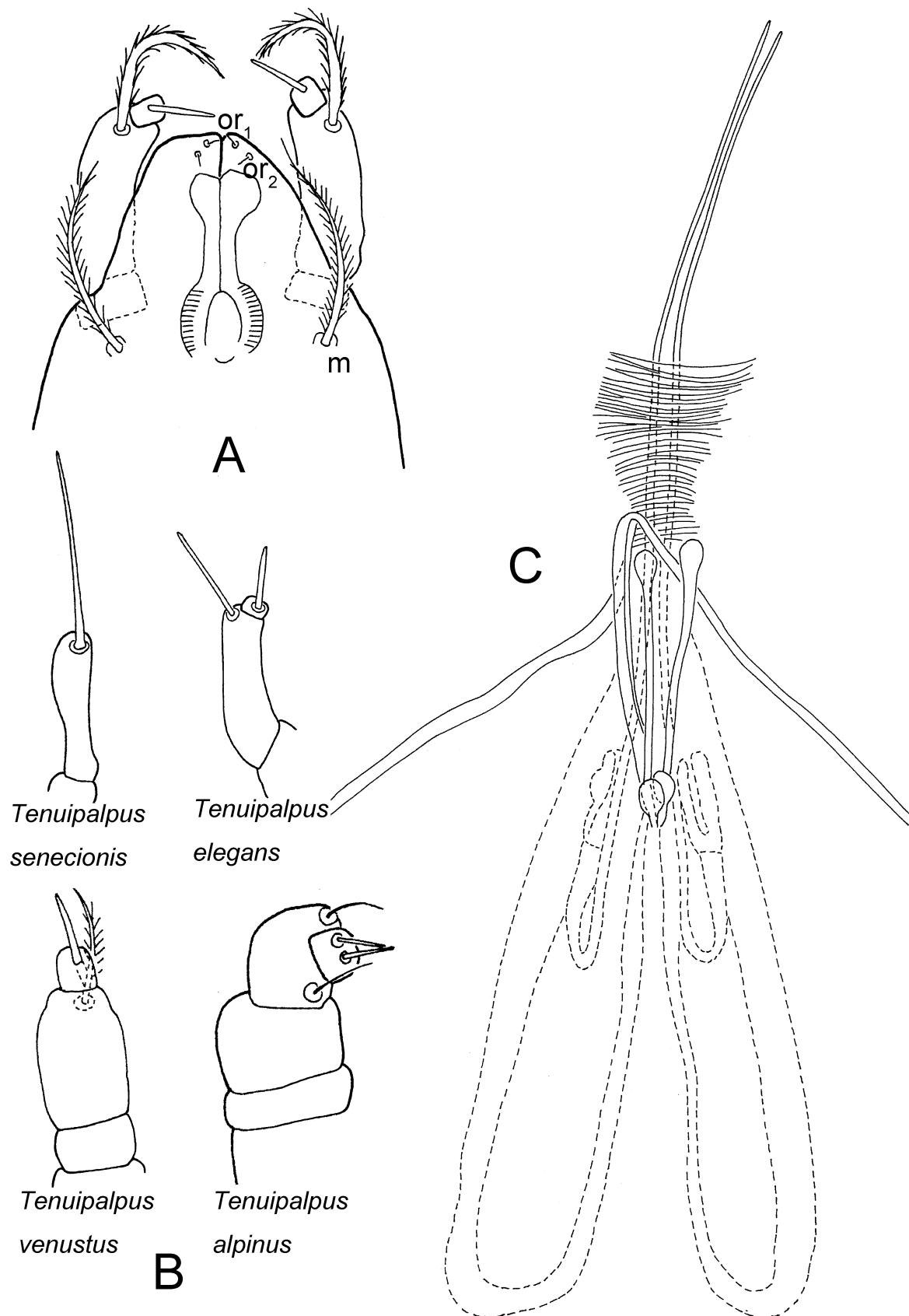


FIGURE 2. Gnathosoma. A. subcapitulum of *Tenuipalpus antipodus*; B. types of palpi found in *Tenuipalpus*; C. chelicerae and collar.

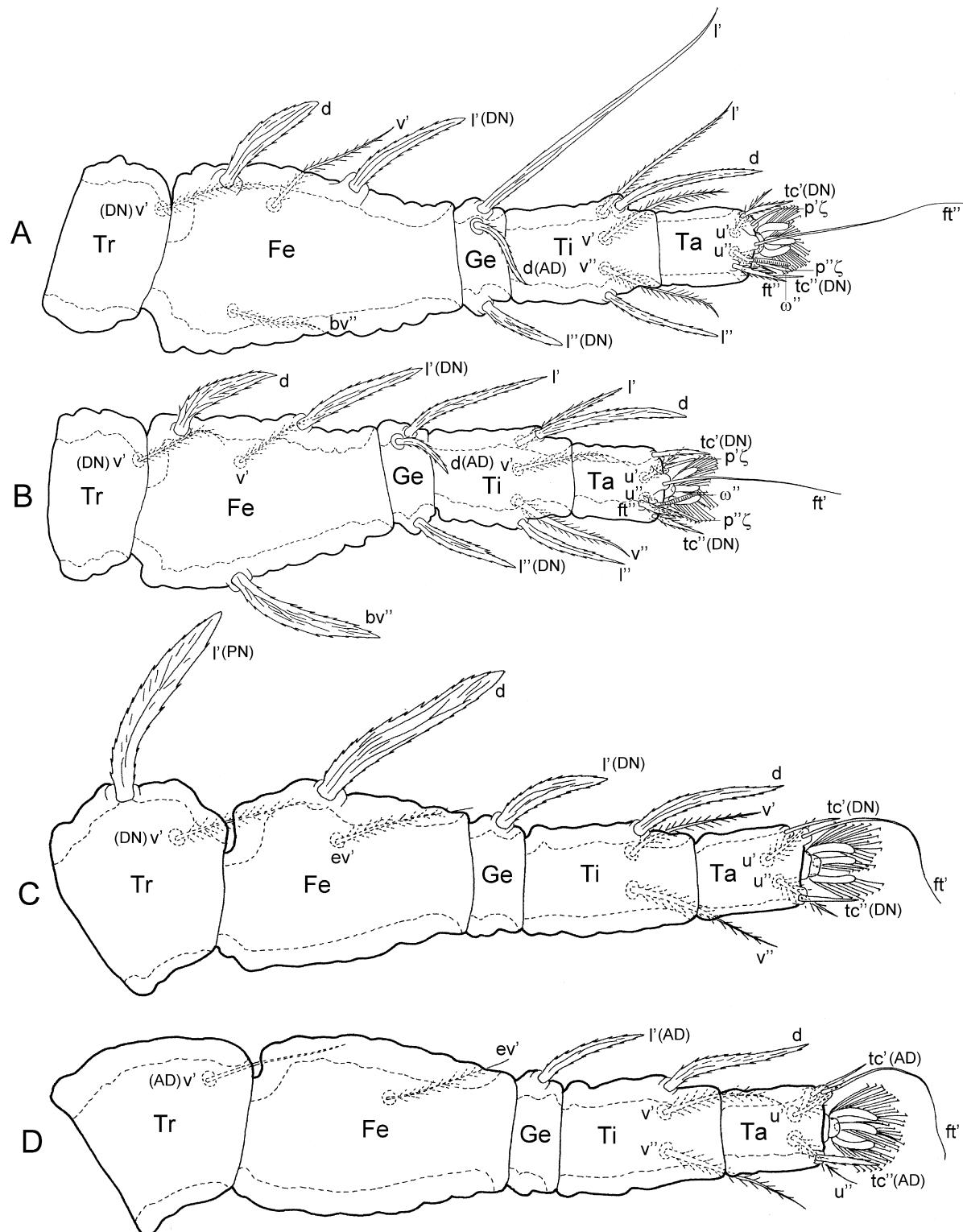


FIGURE 3. Legs I–IV of *Tenuipalpus antipodus*. A. leg I; B. leg II; C. leg III; D. leg IV. Setae are larval on legs I–III unless denoted by PN, DN and AD in parentheses, indicating protonymph, deutonymph and adult respectively; setae are protonymphal on leg IV.

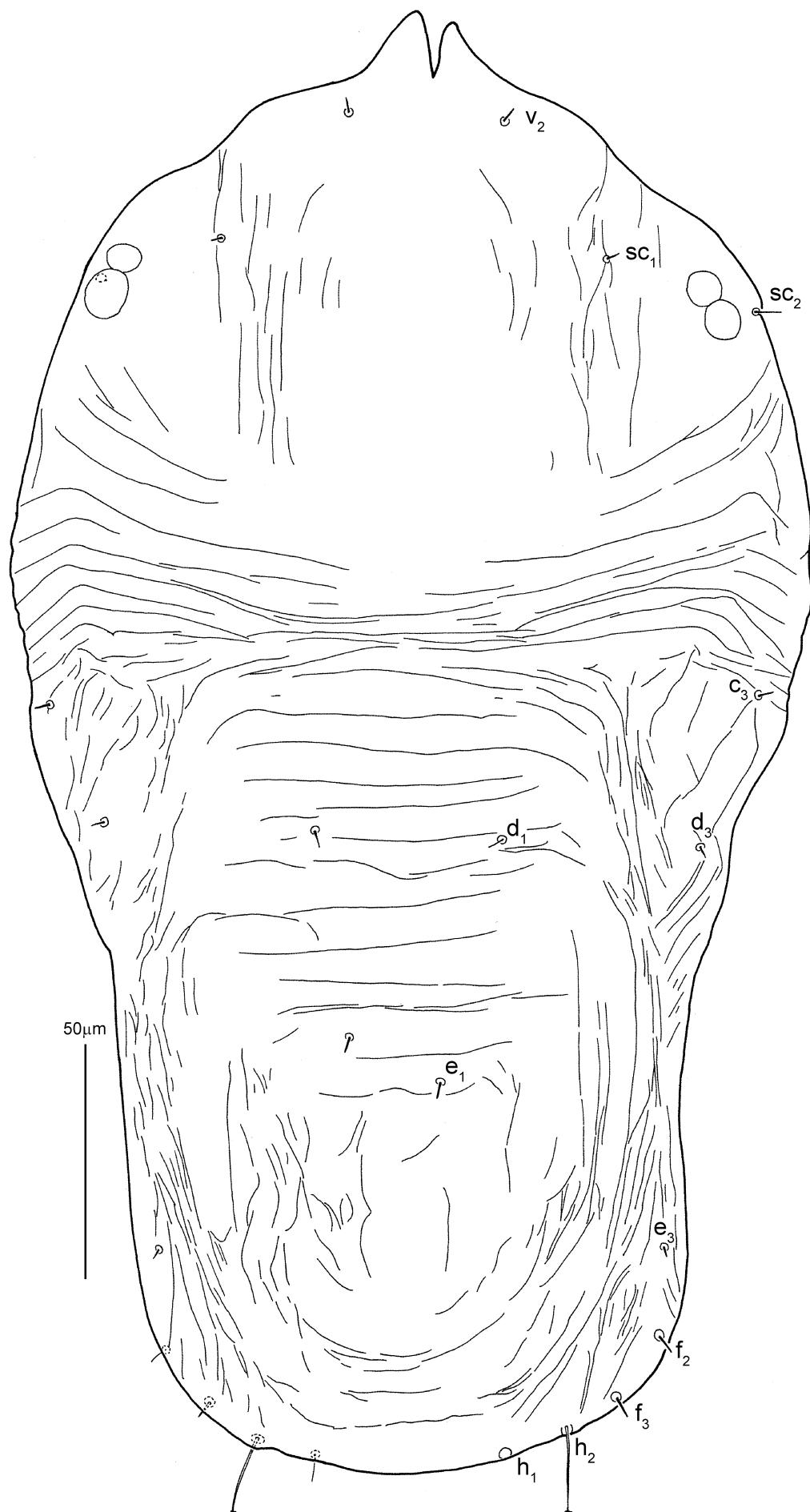


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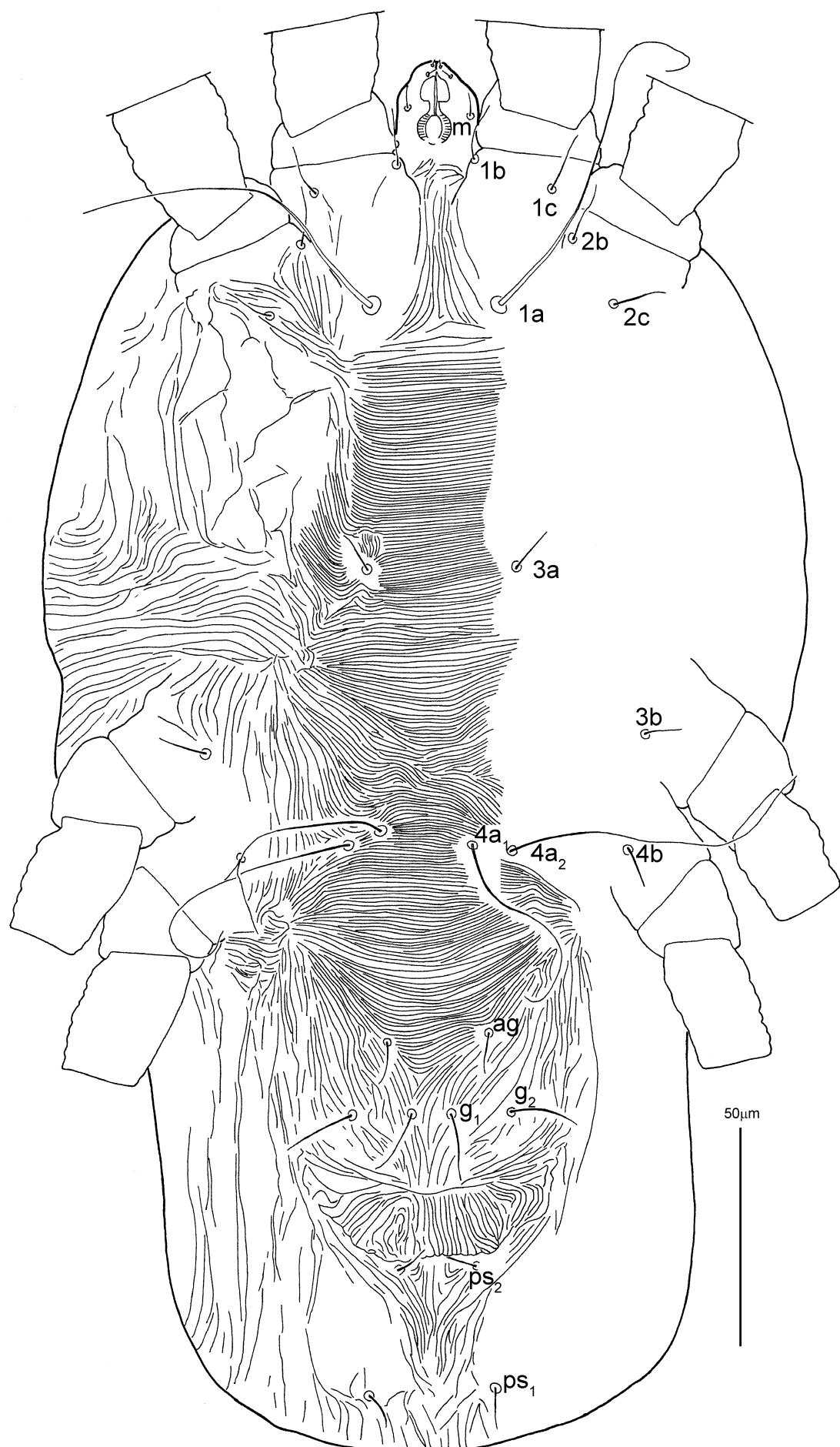


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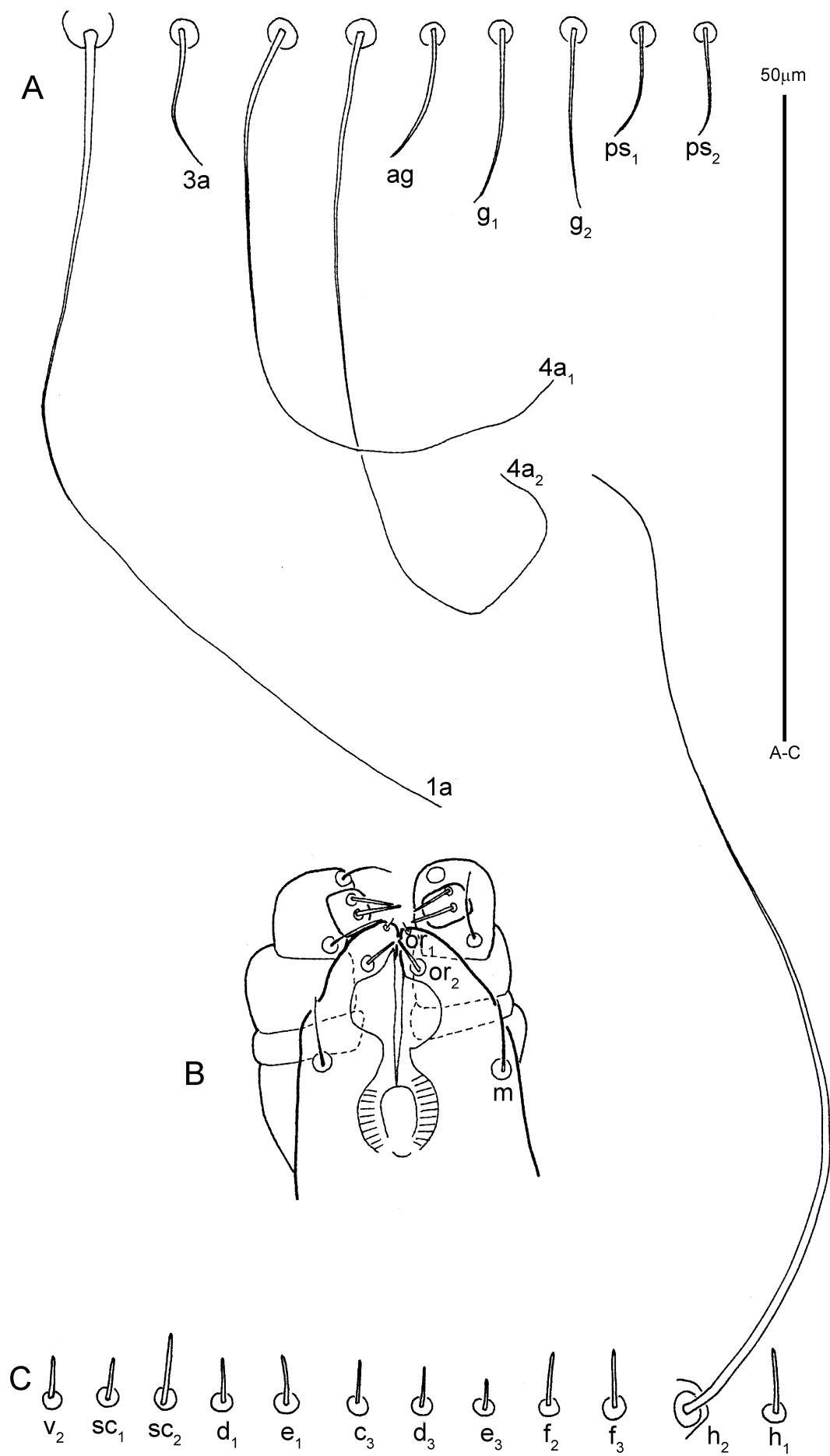


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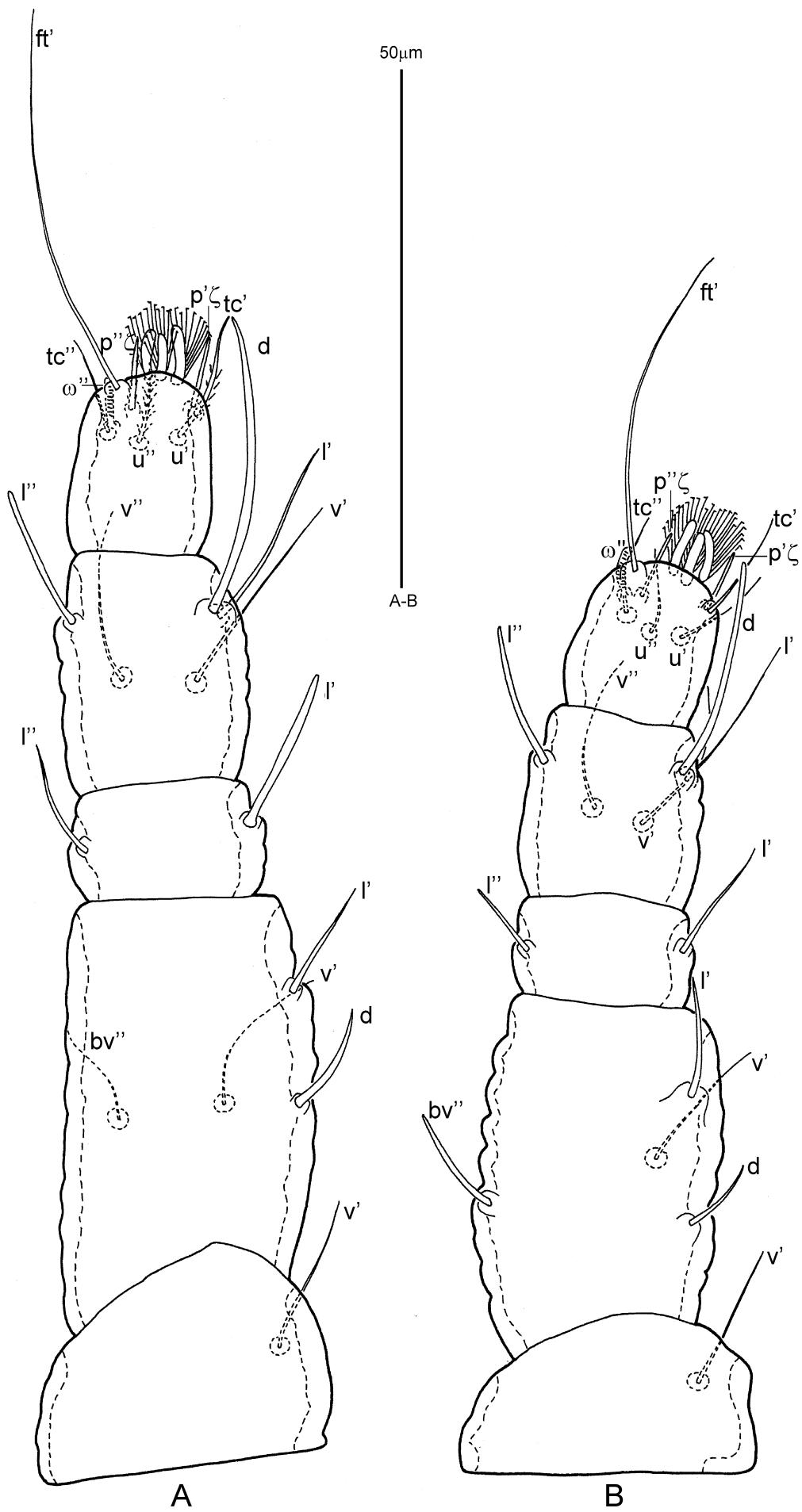


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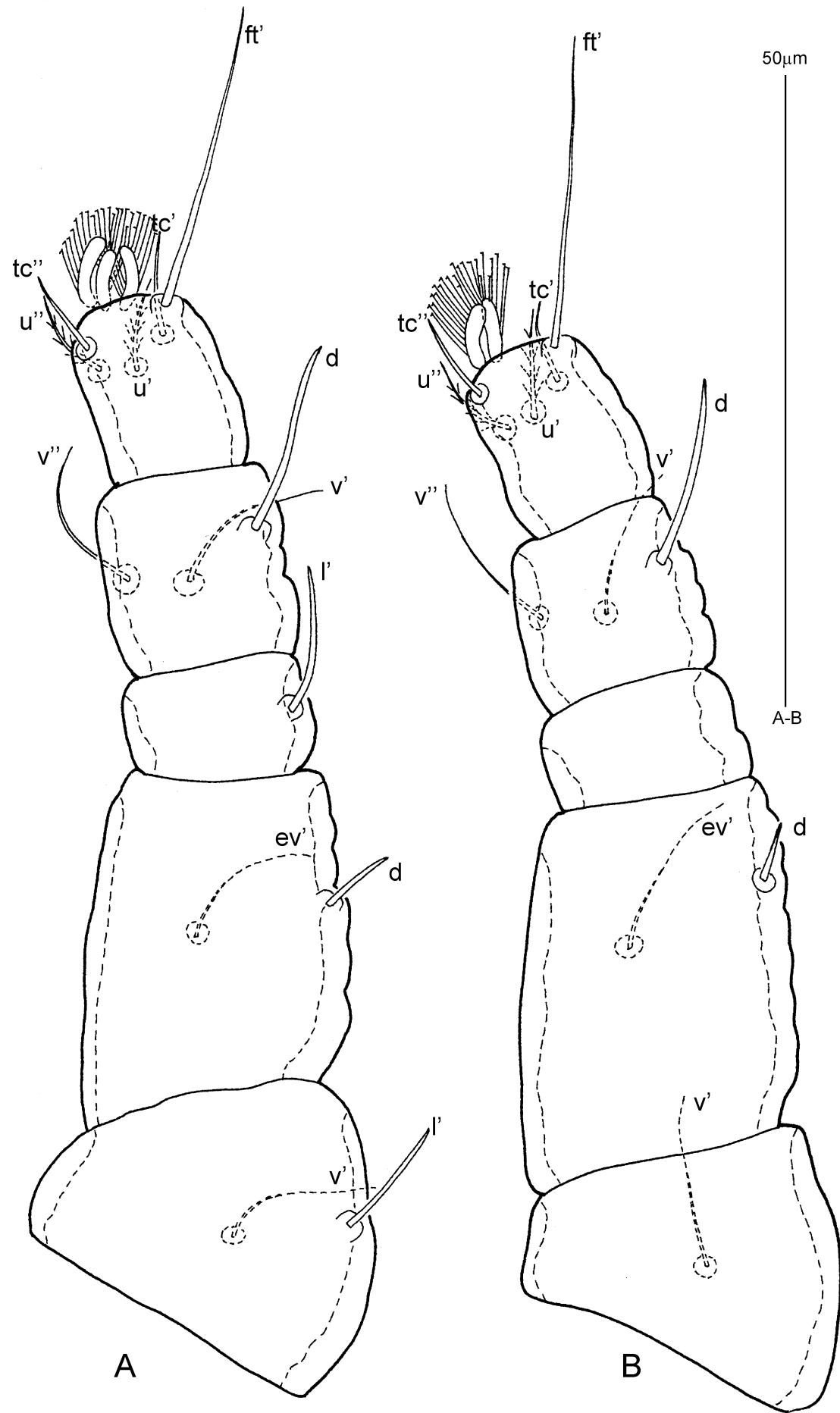


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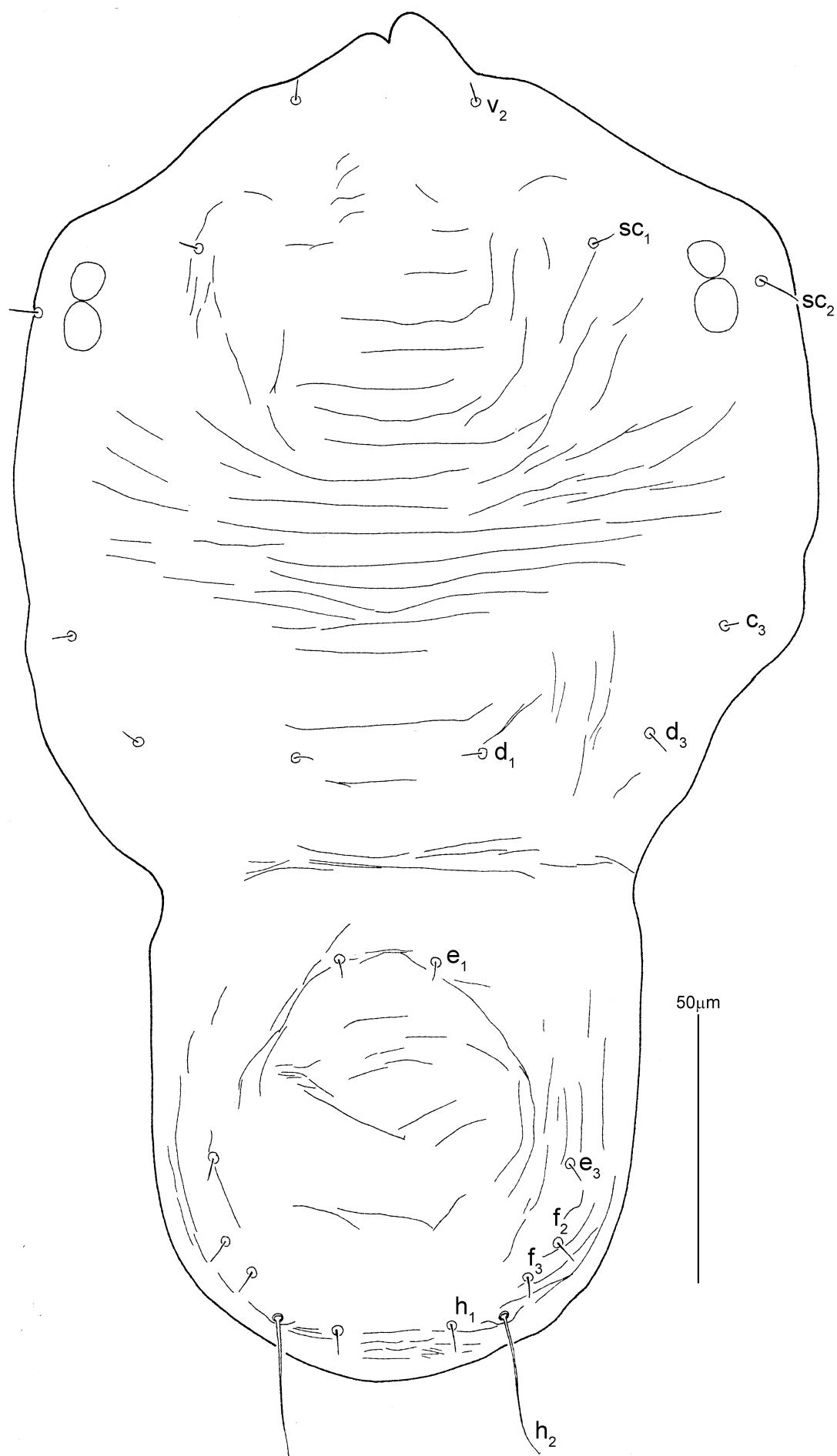


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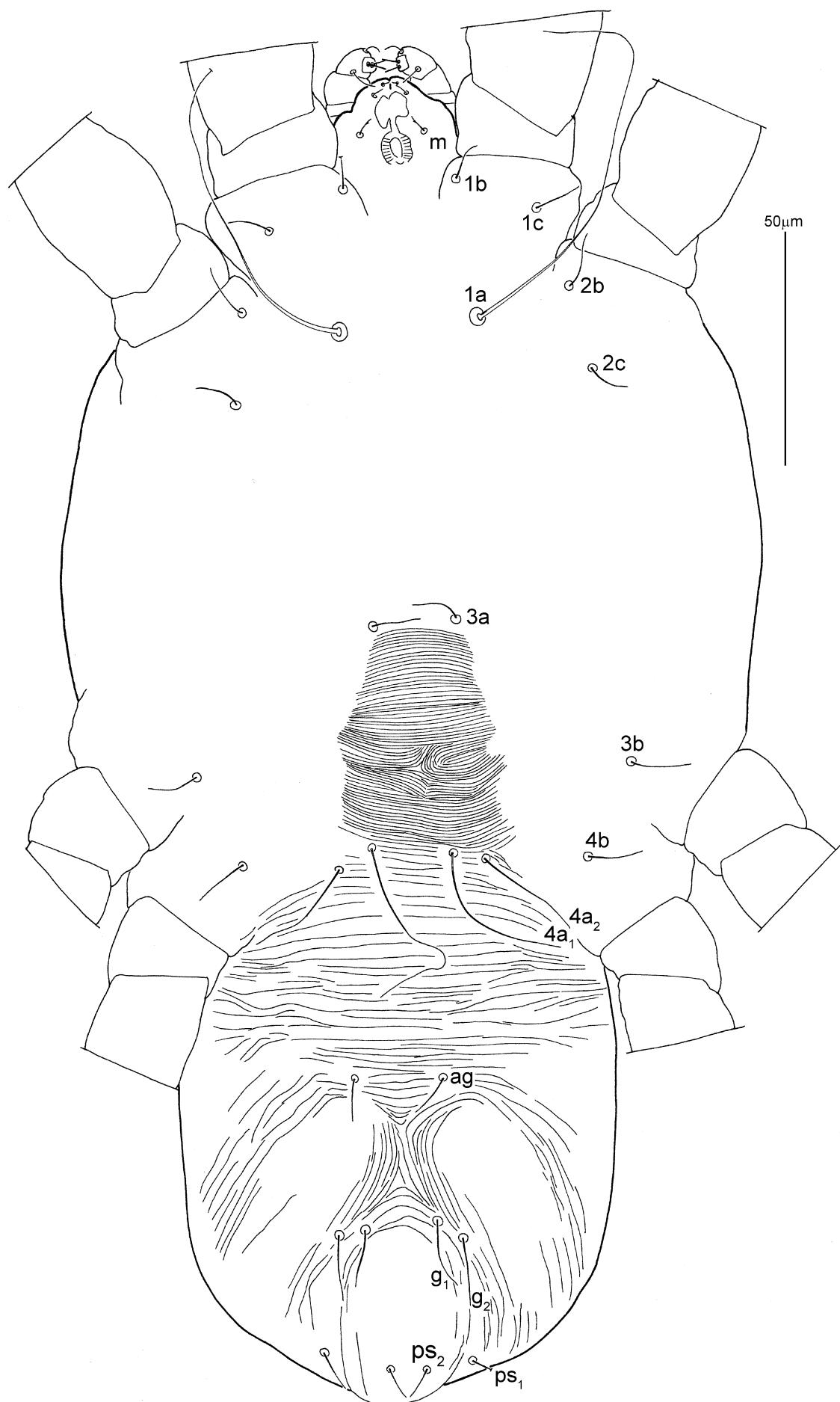


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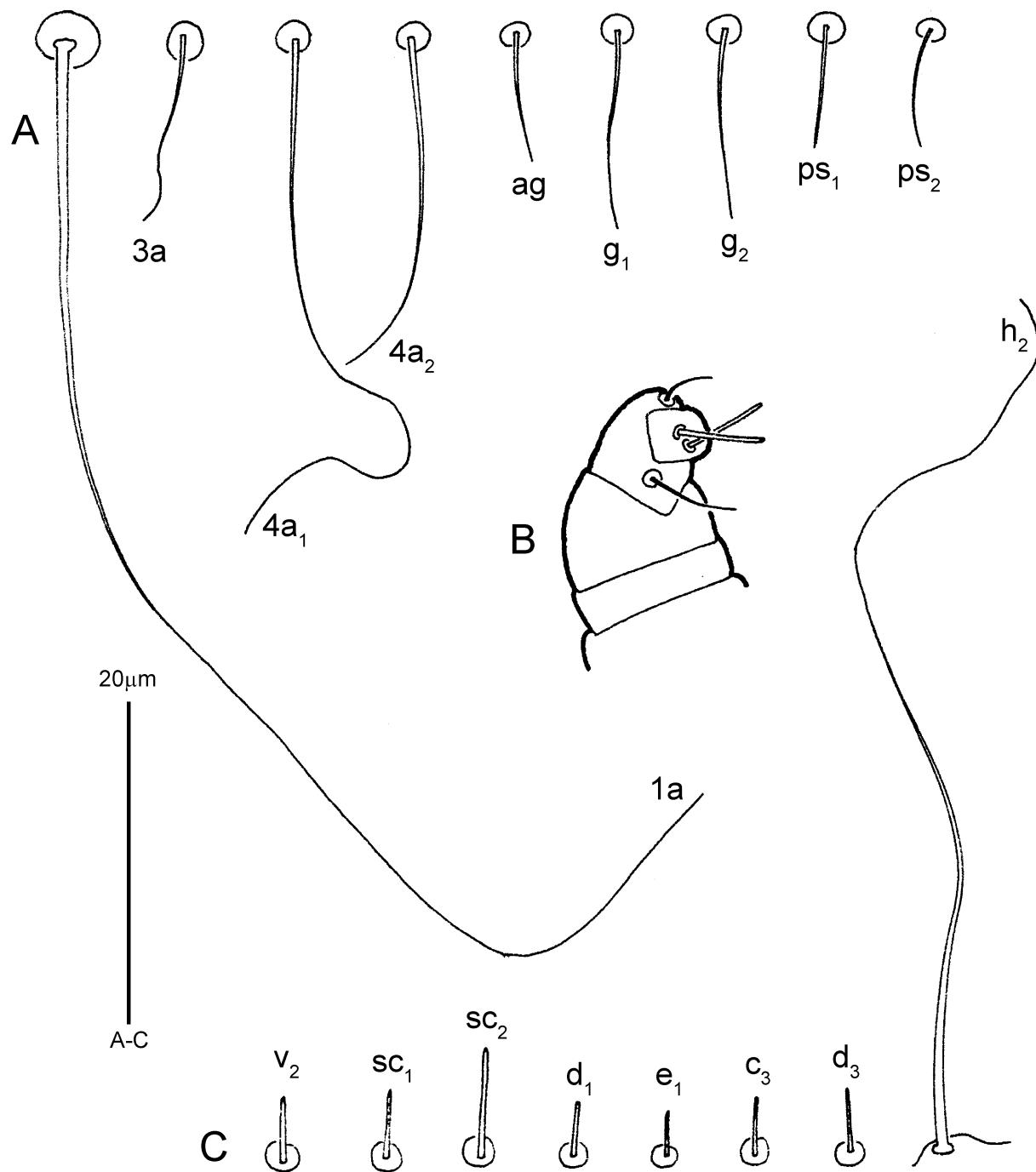


FIGURE 11. *Tenuipalpus alpinus* Collyer (male). A, ventral setae; B, palp; C, dorsal setae.

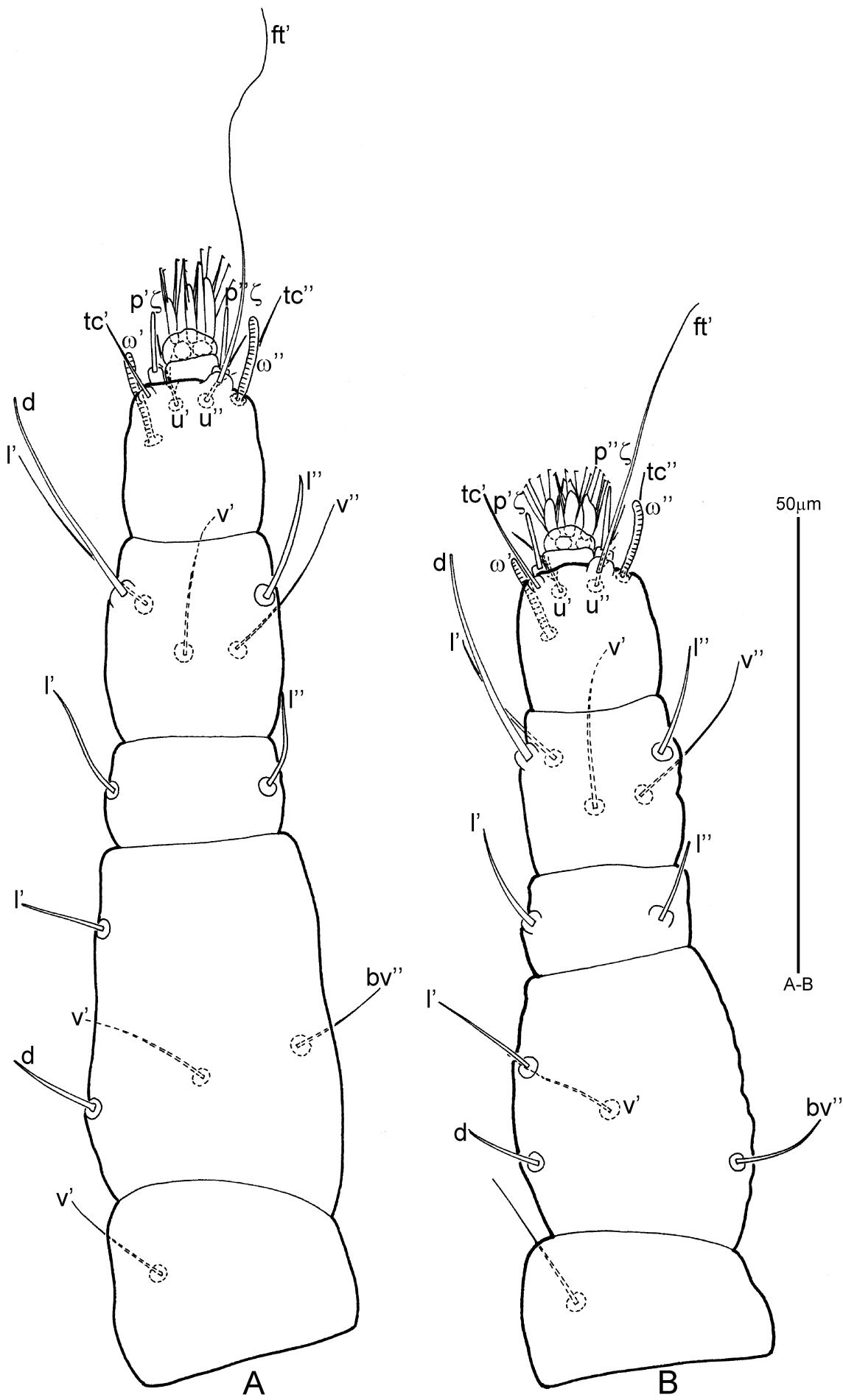


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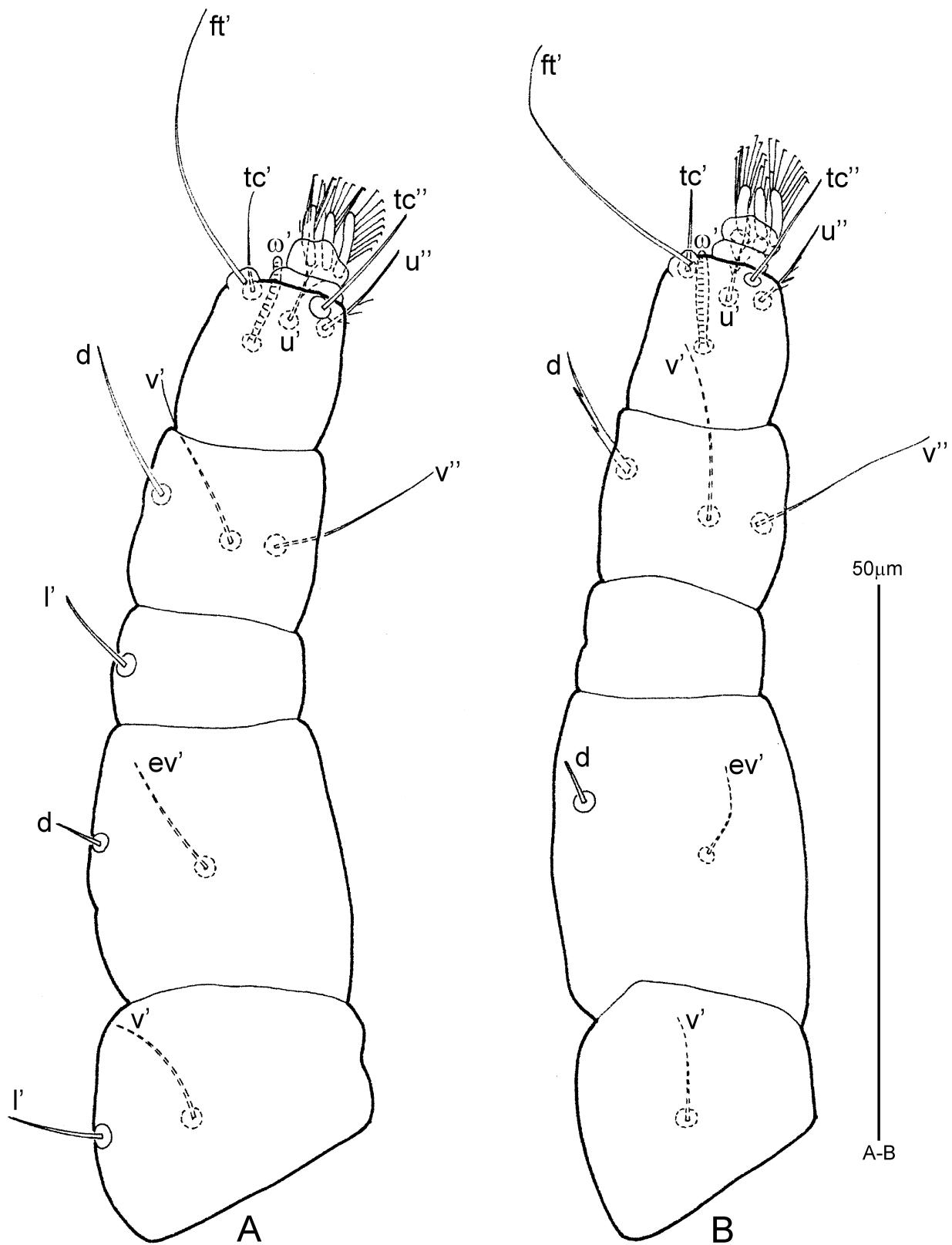


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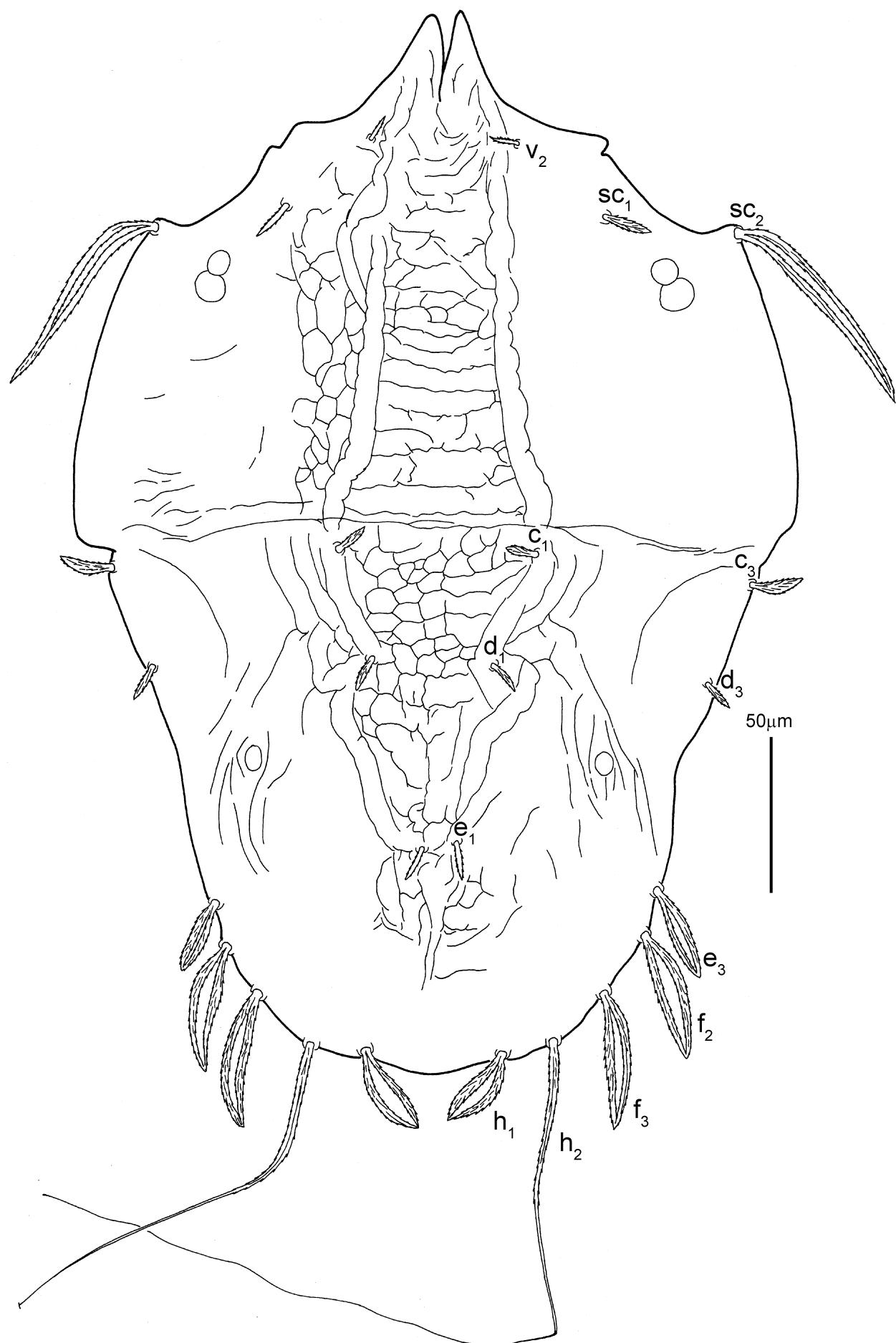


FIGURE 14. *Tenuipalpus antipodus* Collyer (female). Dorsal view of idiosoma.

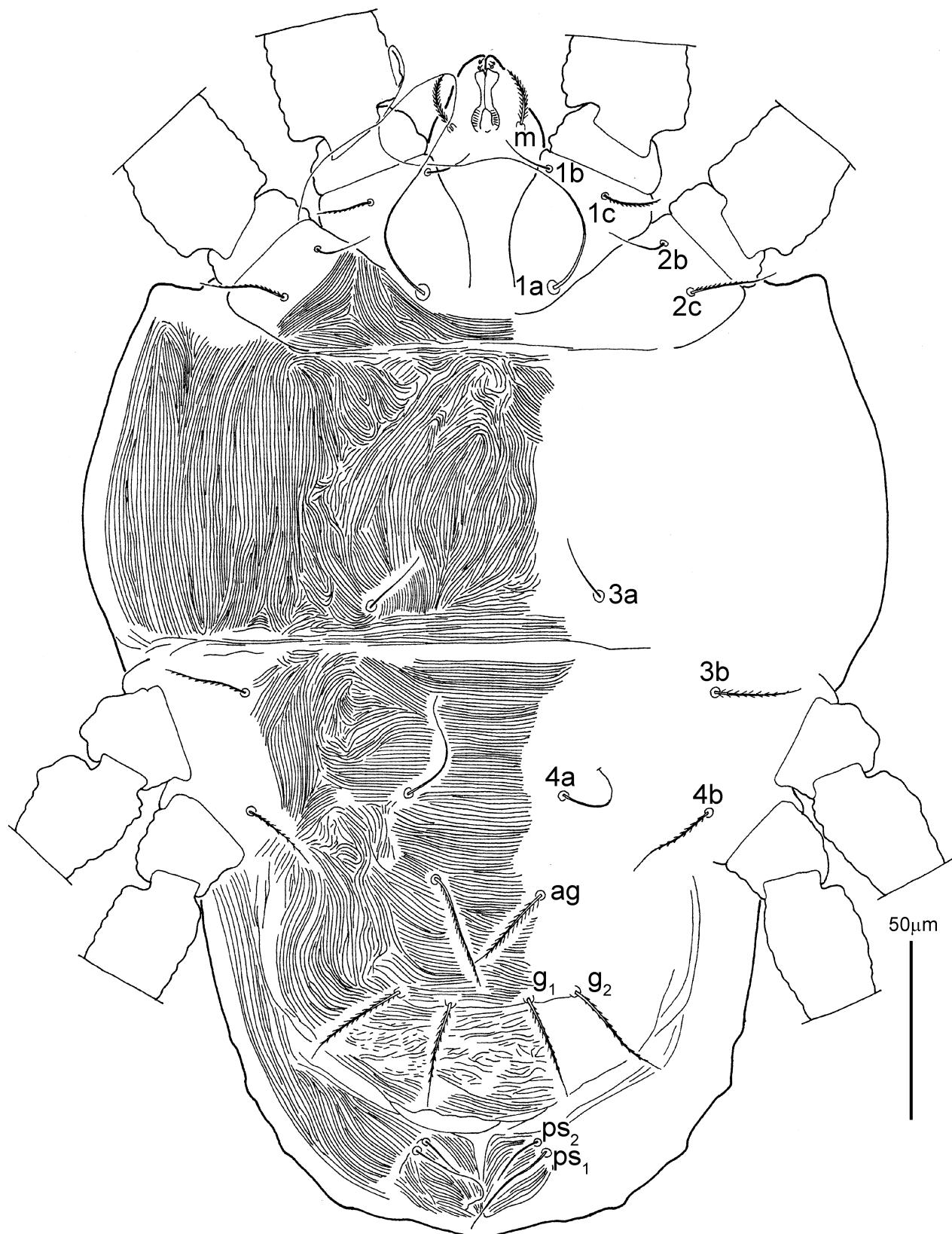


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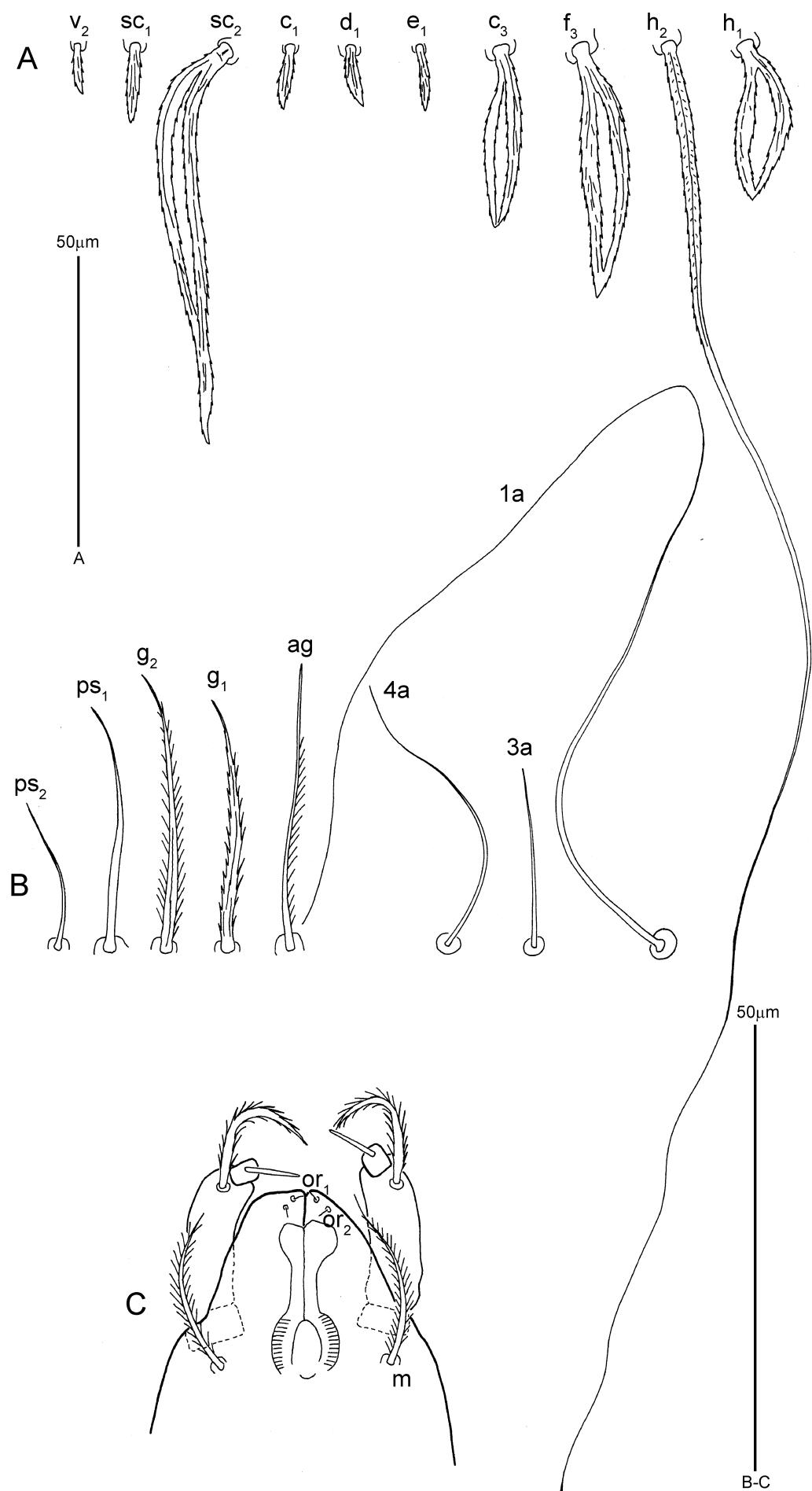


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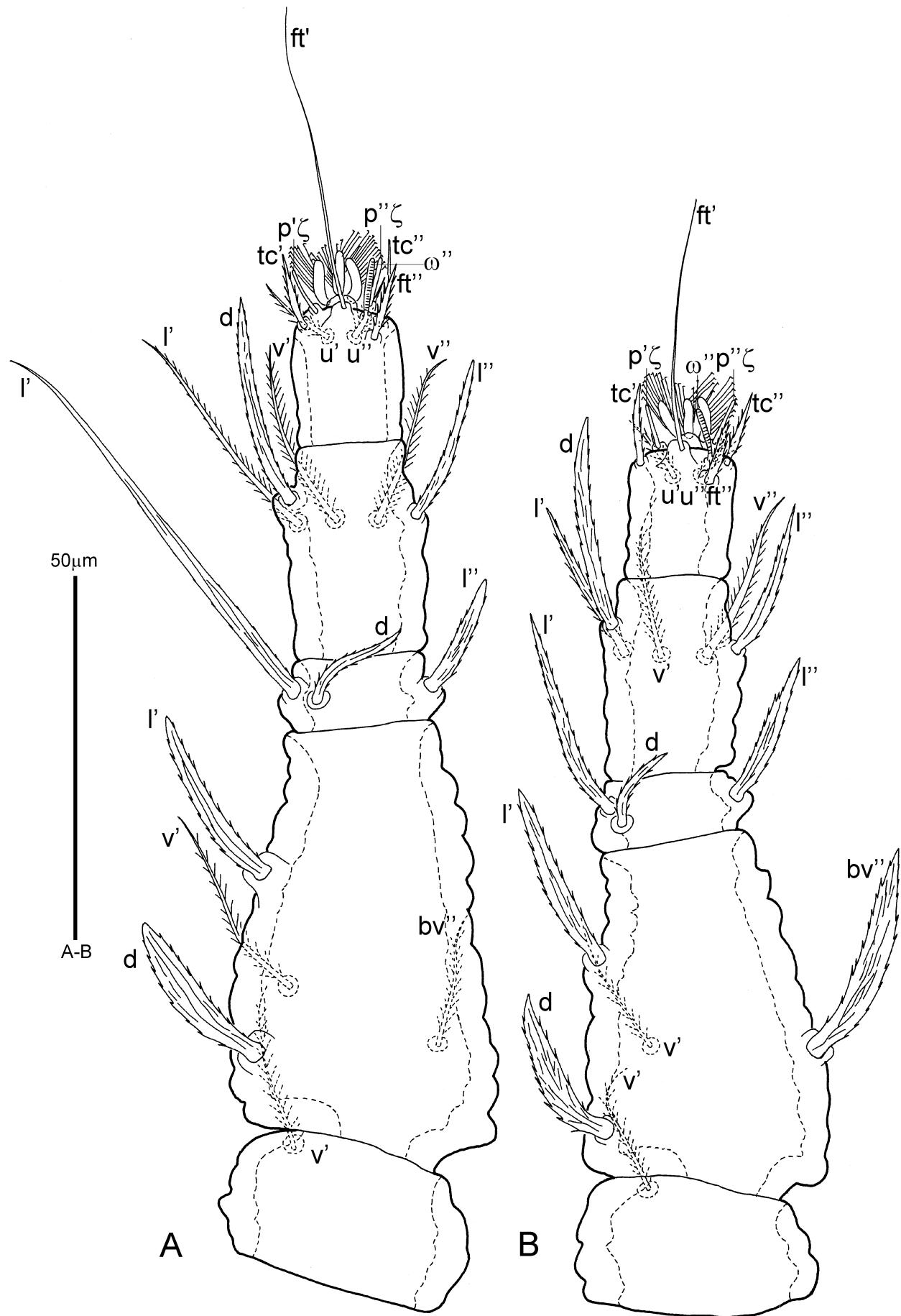


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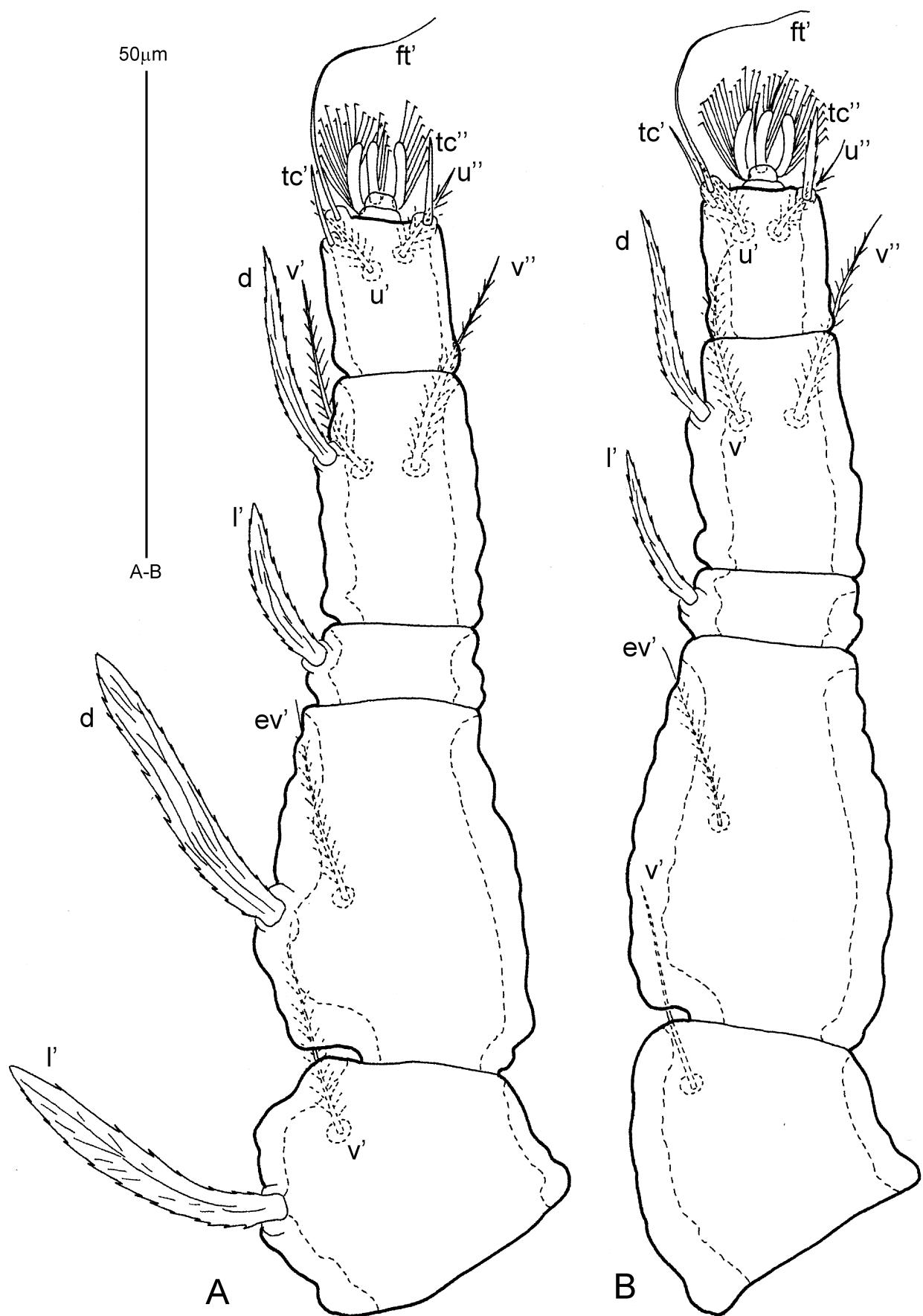


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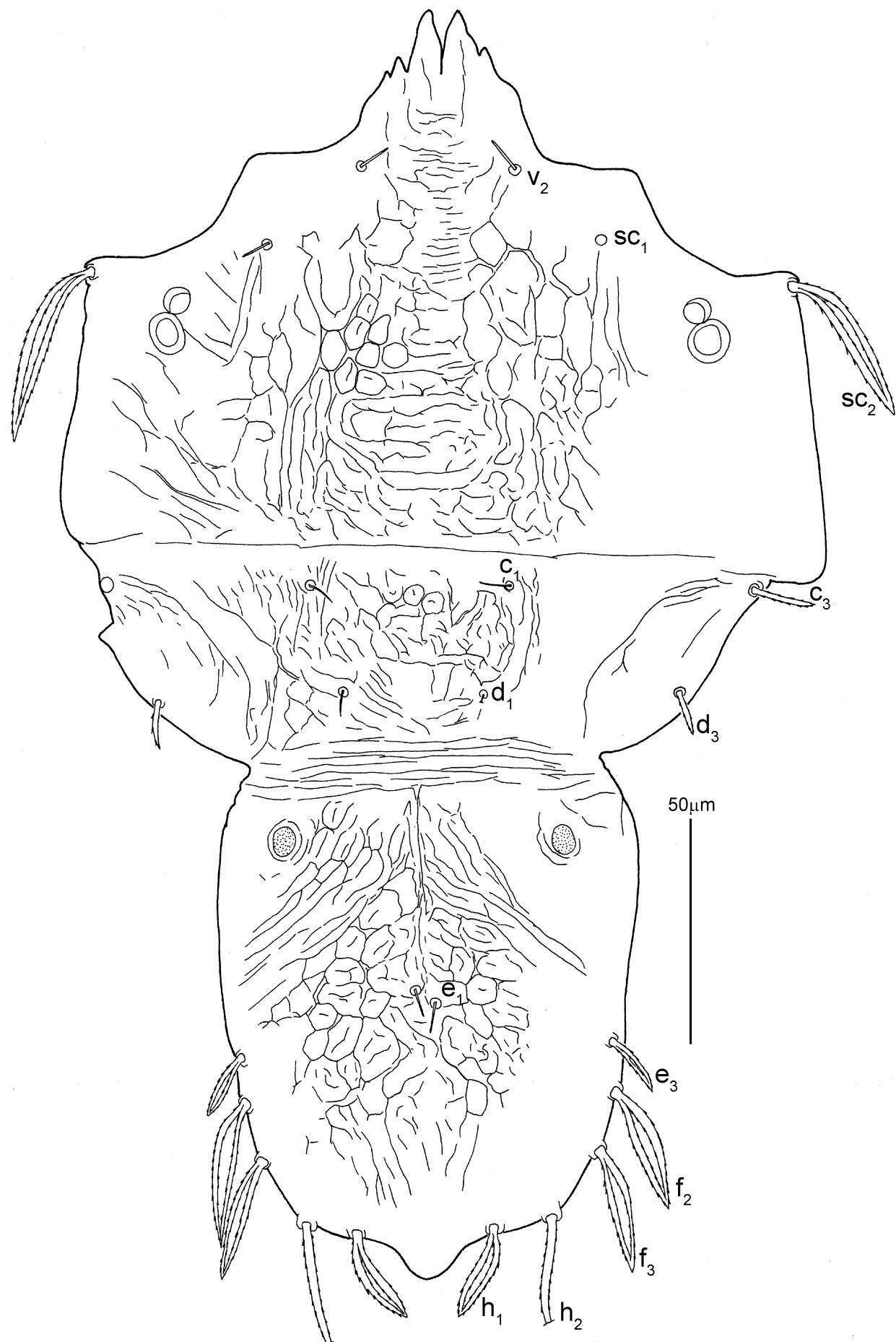


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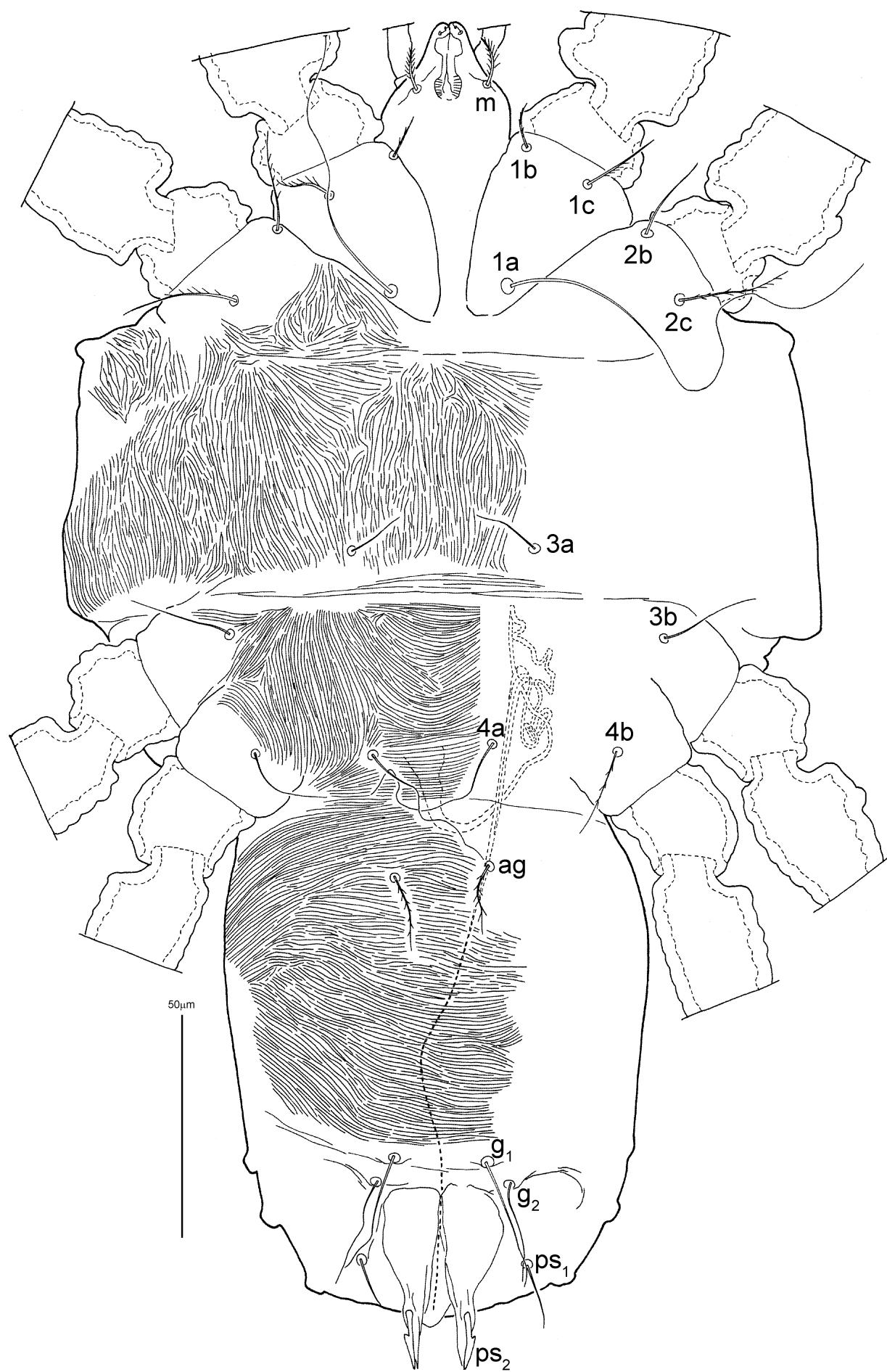


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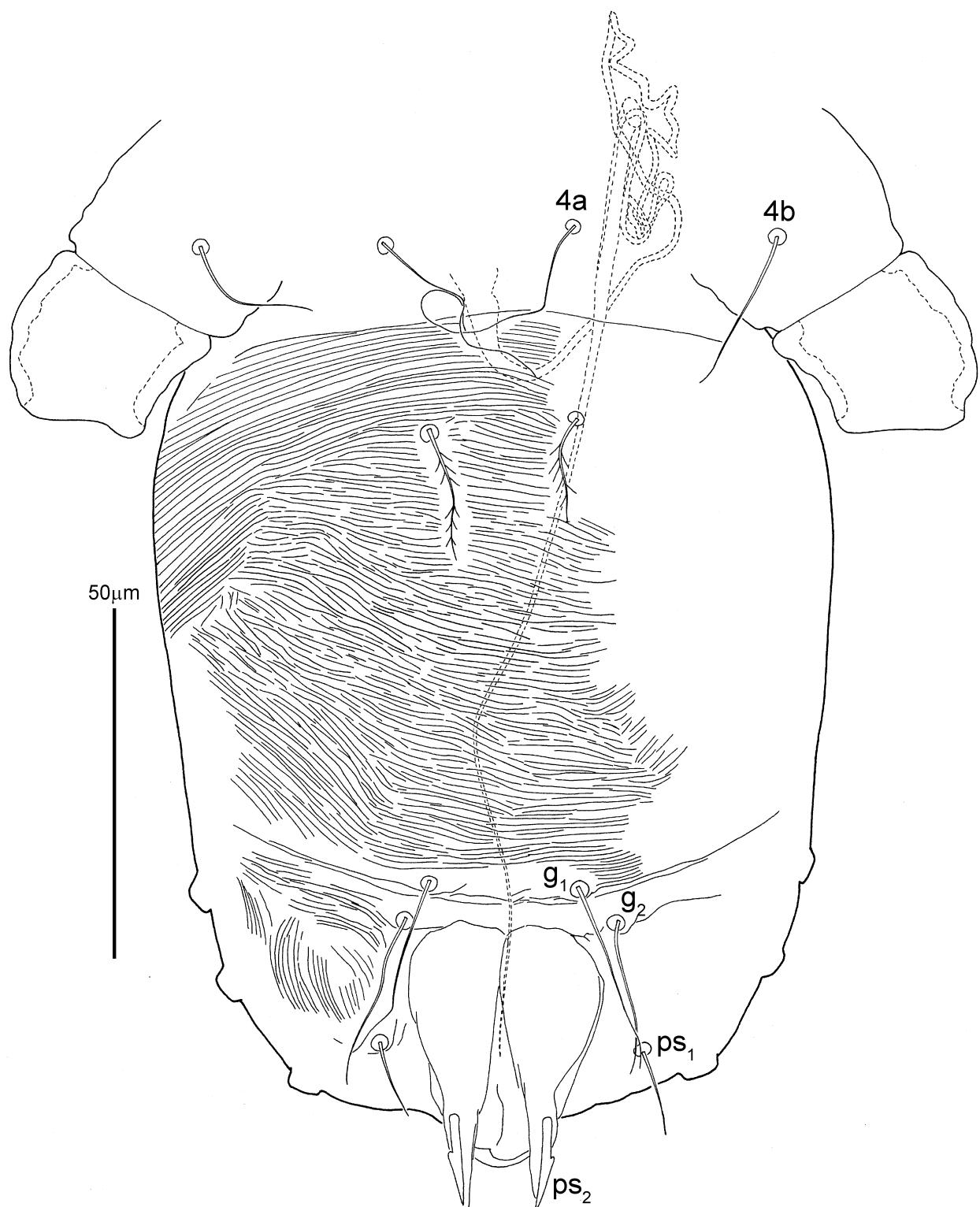


FIGURE 21. *Tenuipalpus antipodus* Collyer (male). Genitoanal area.

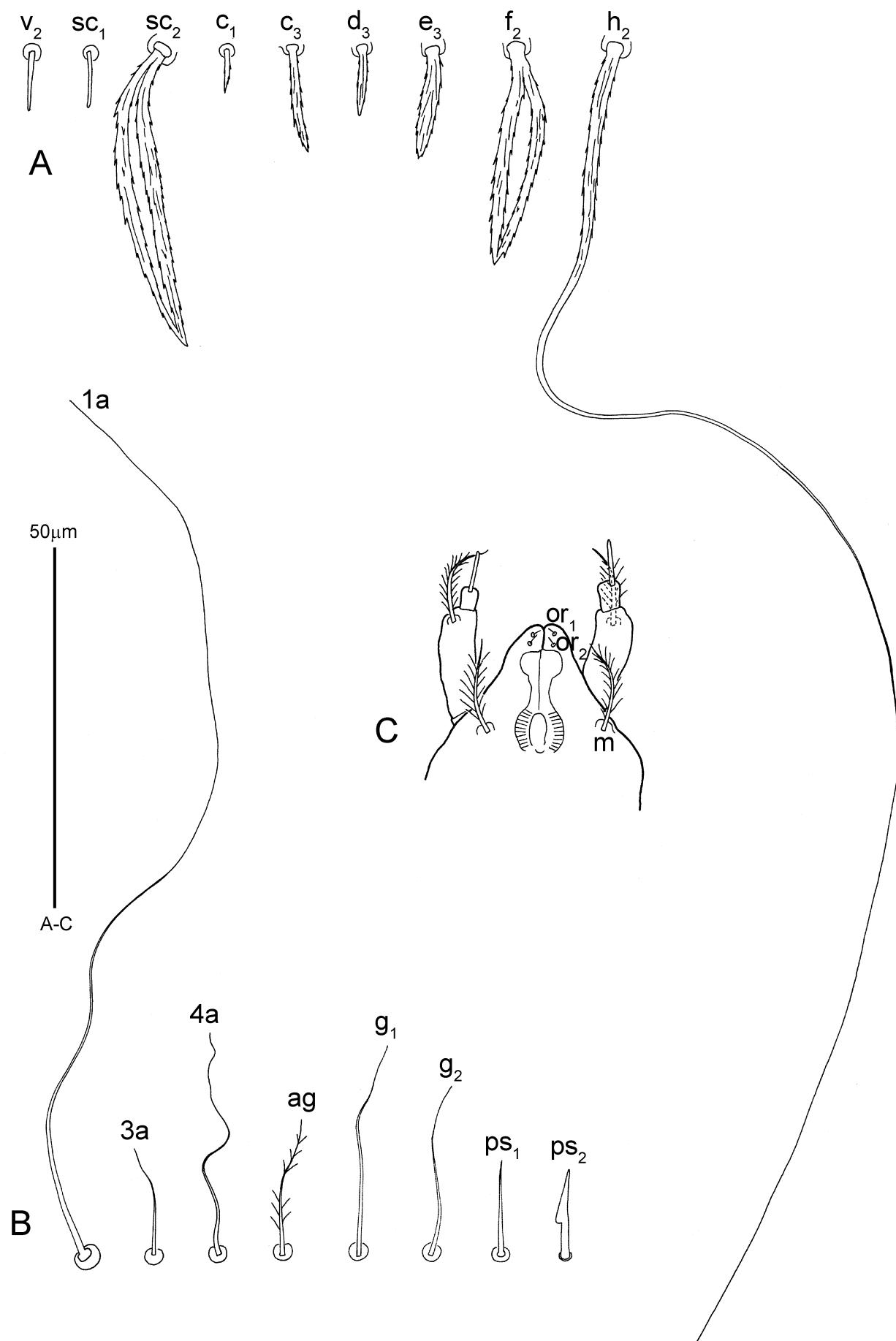


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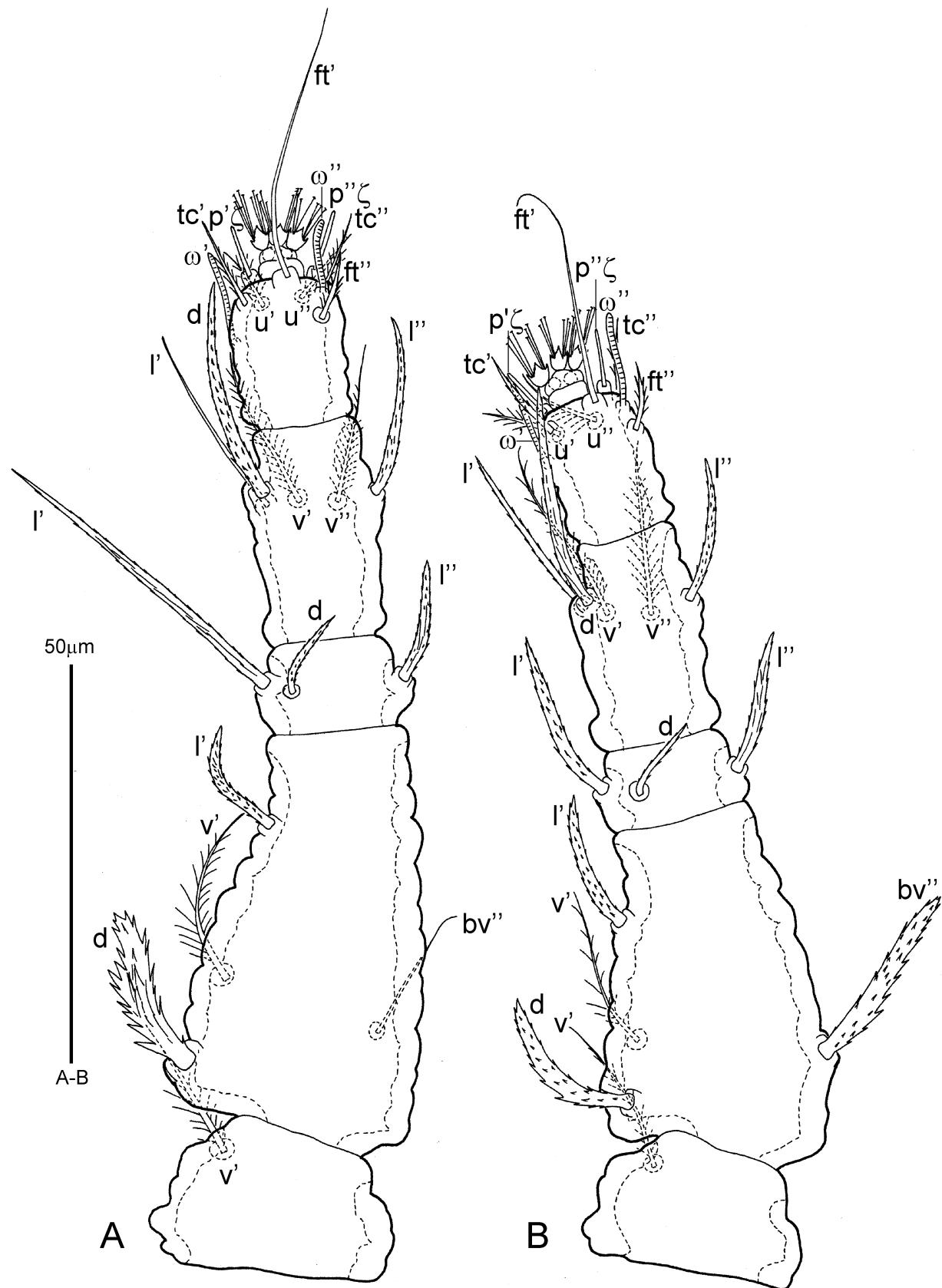


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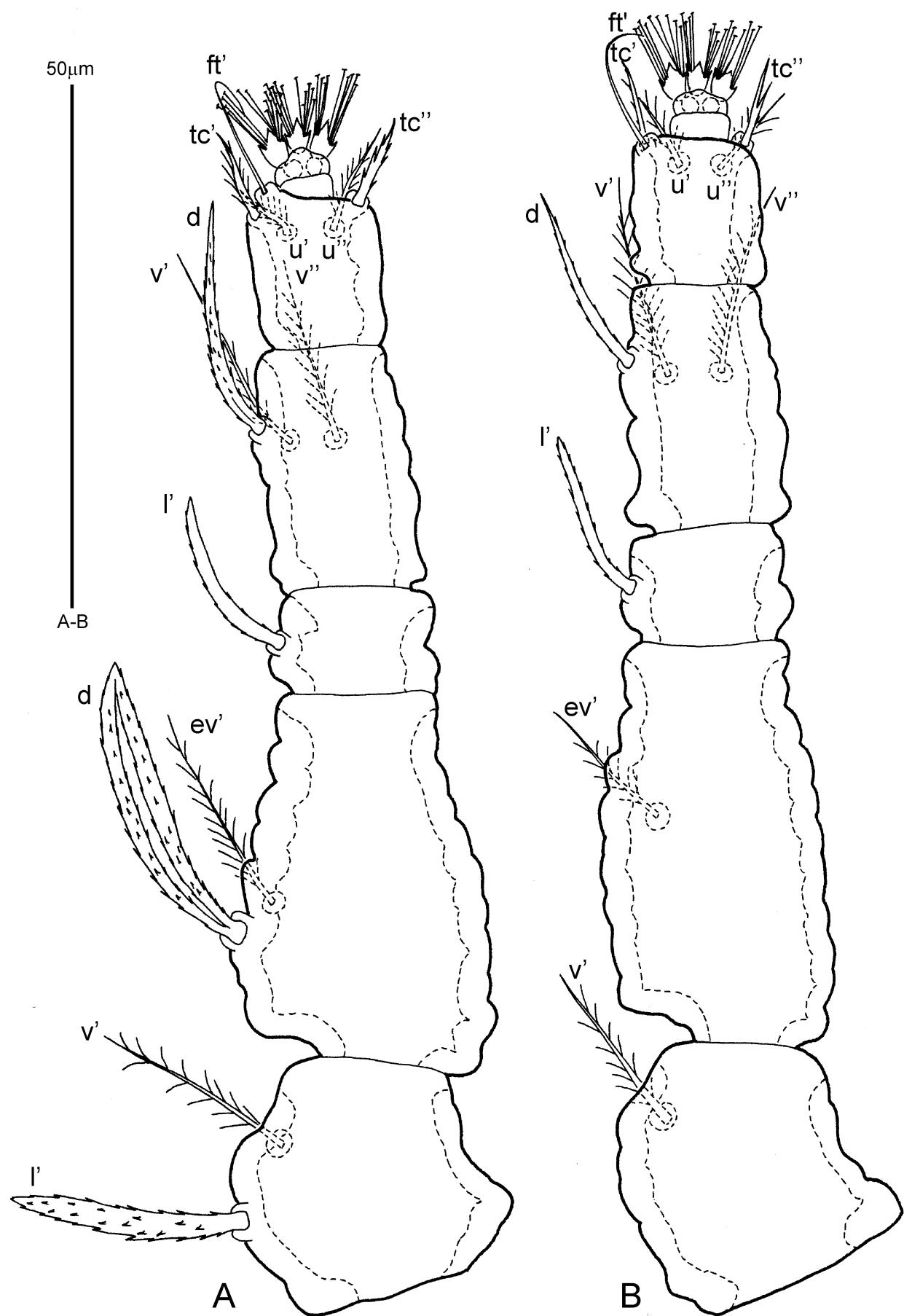


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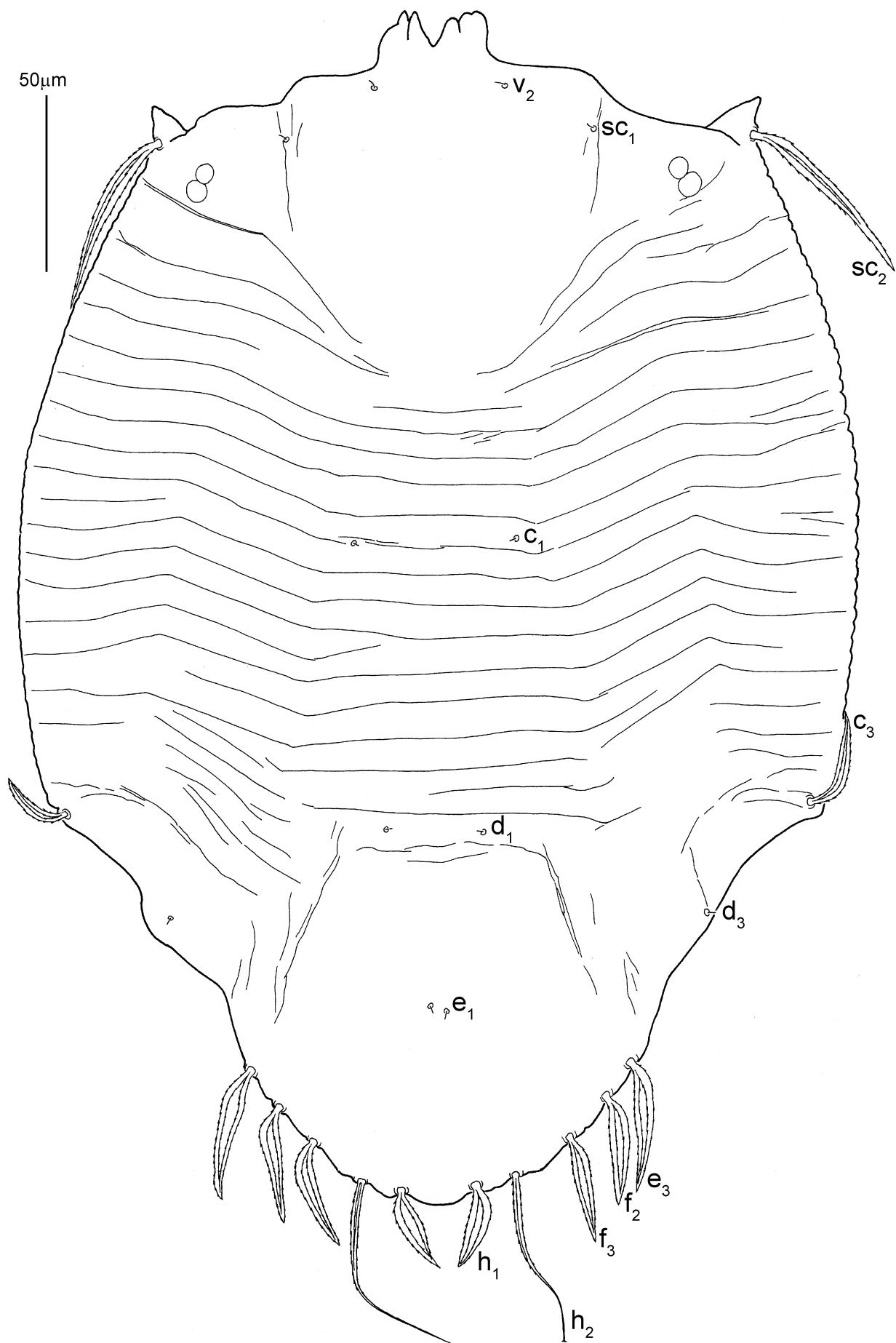


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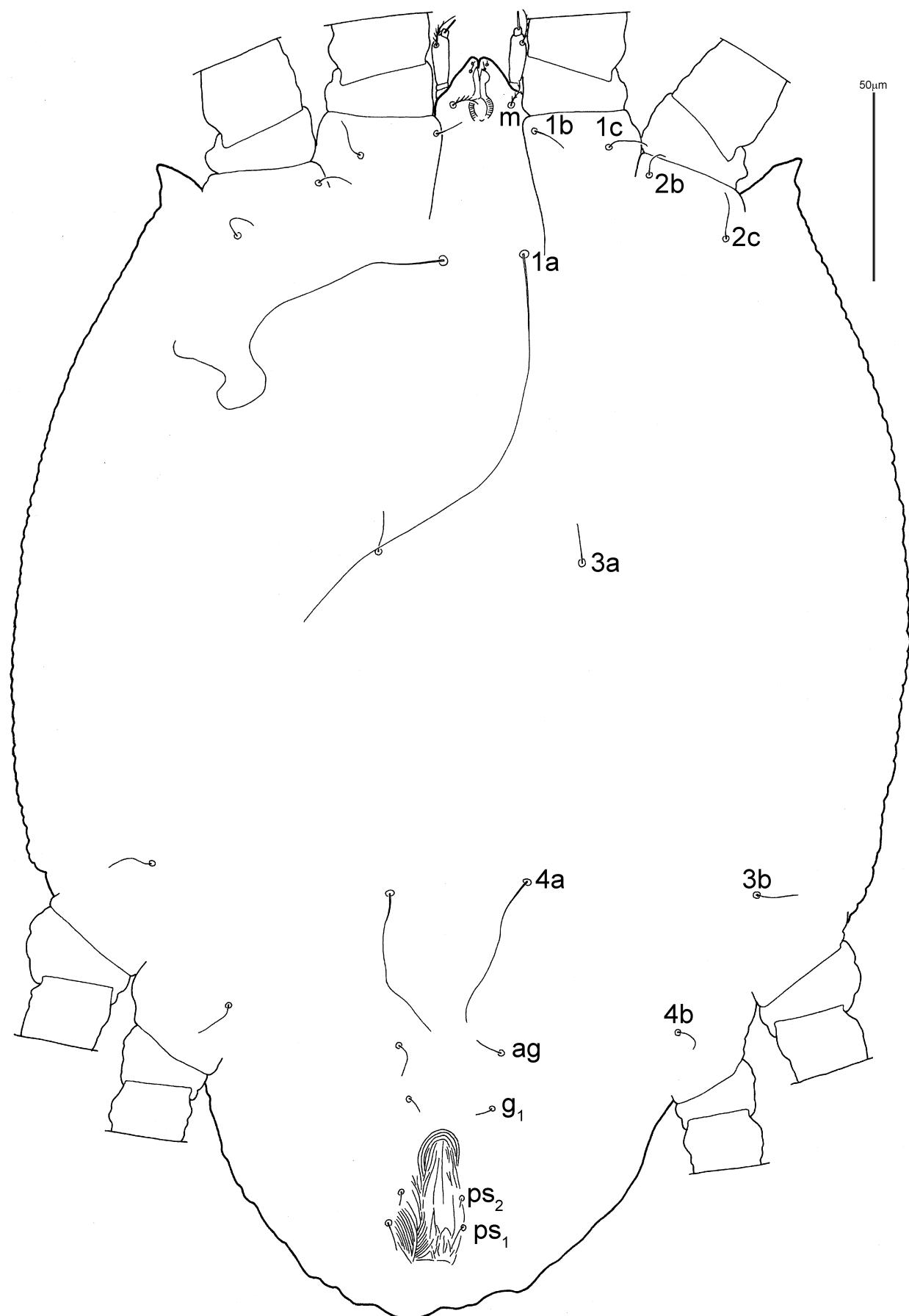


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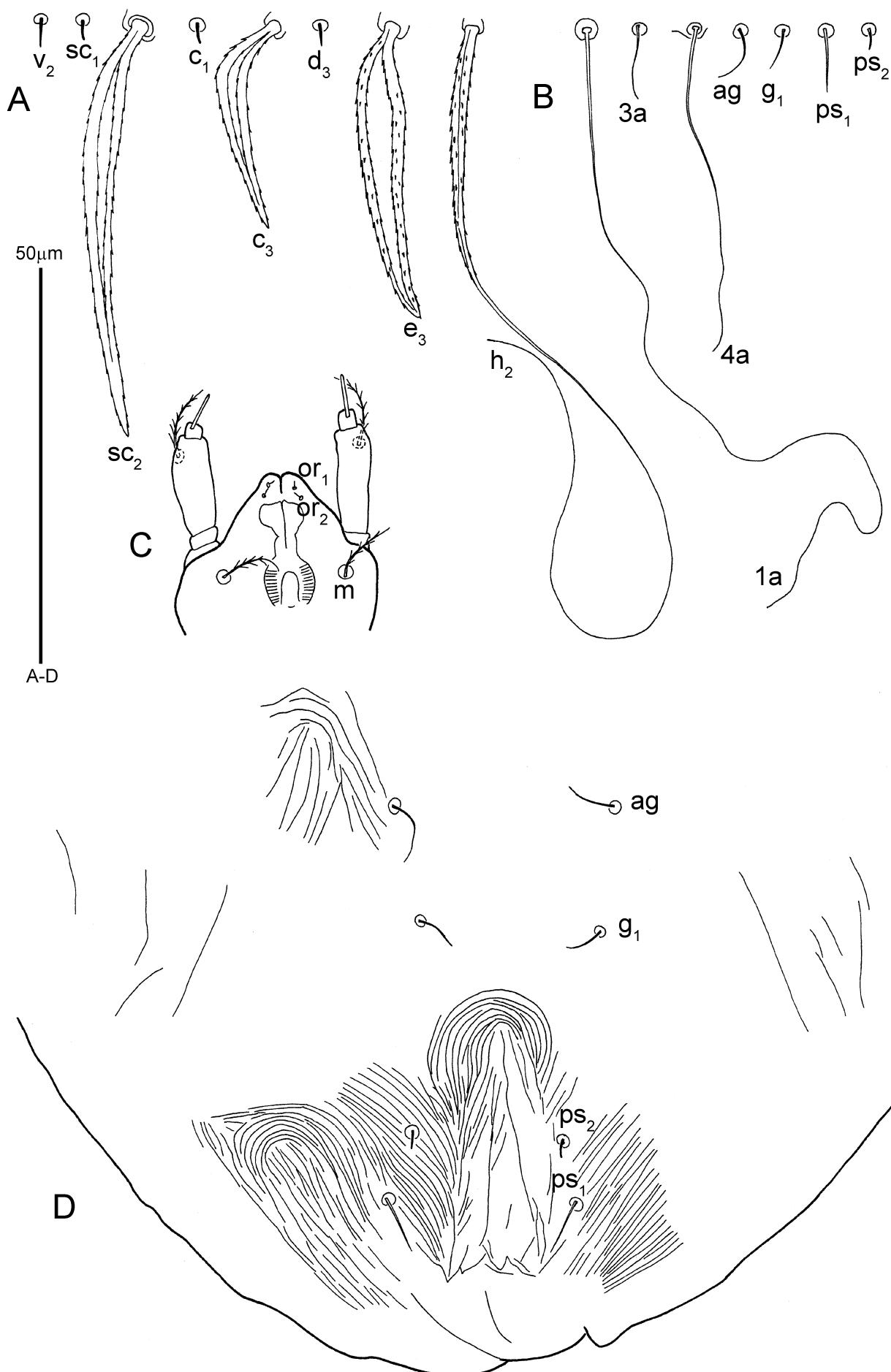


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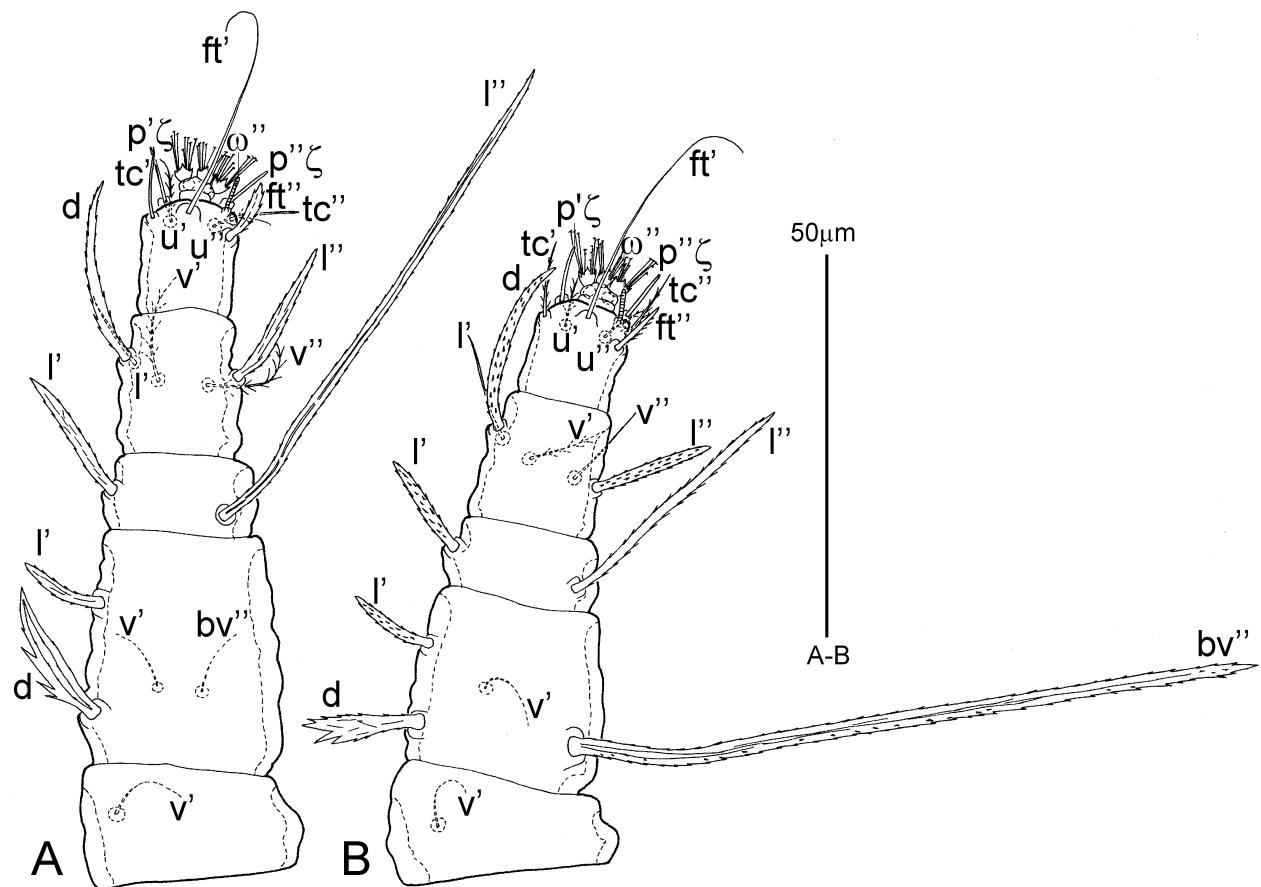


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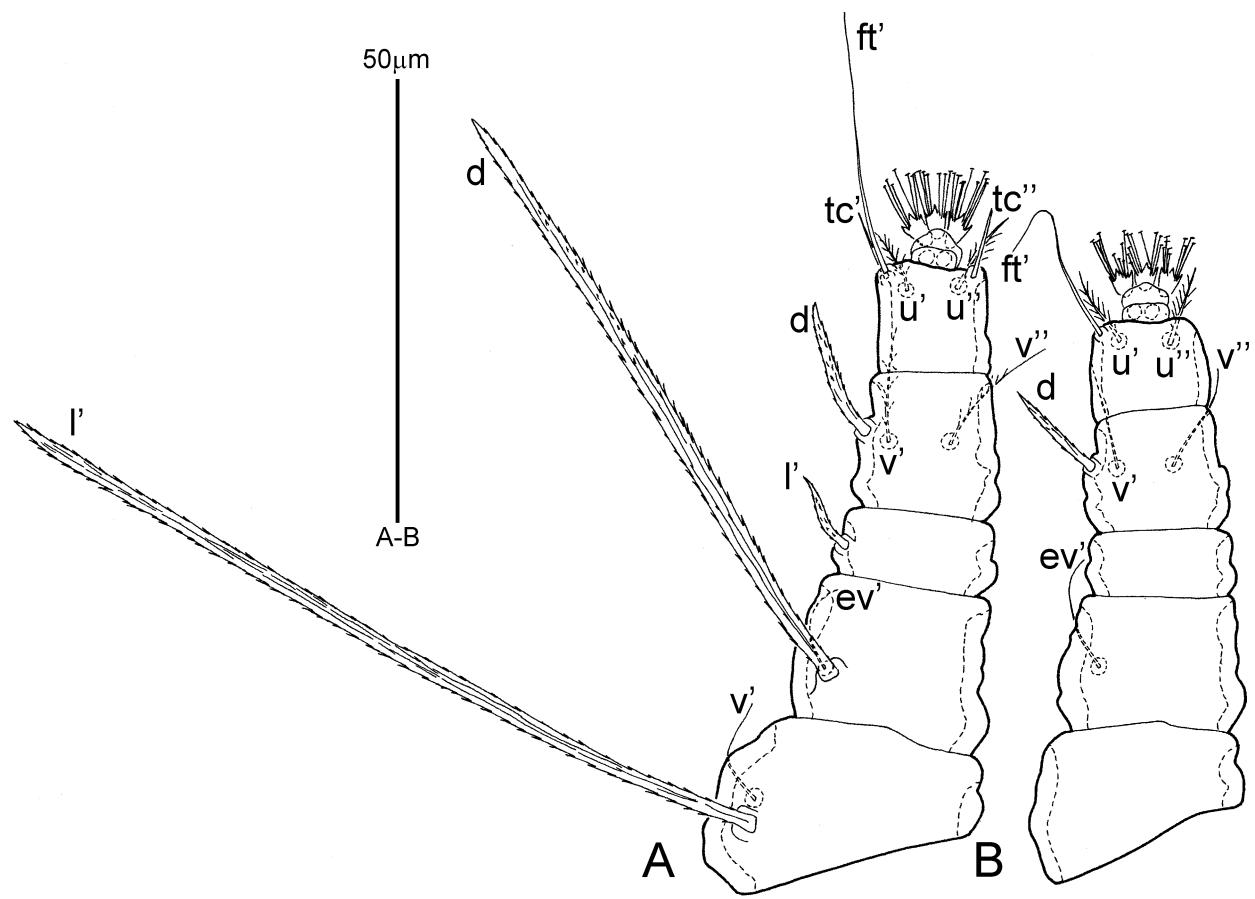


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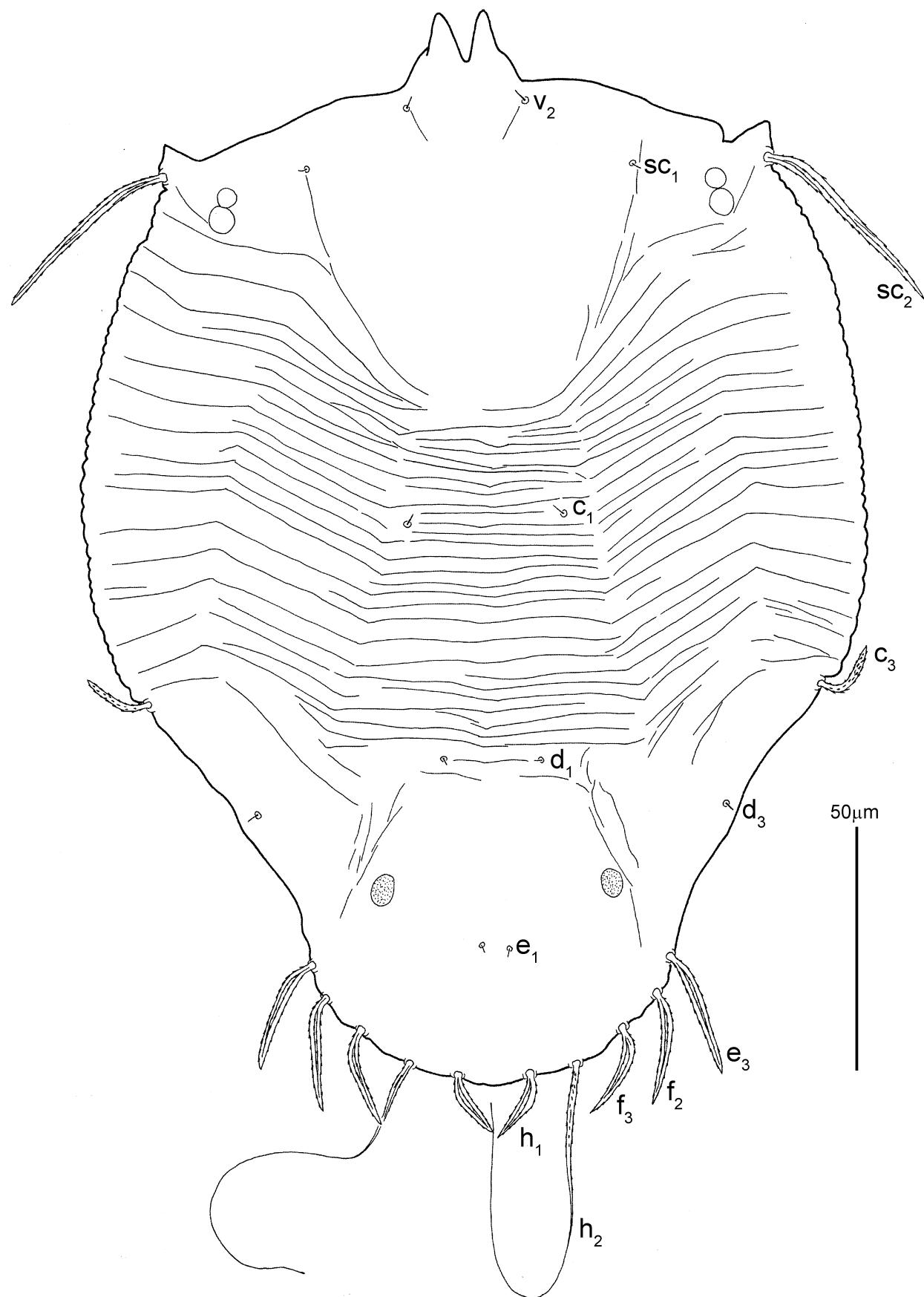


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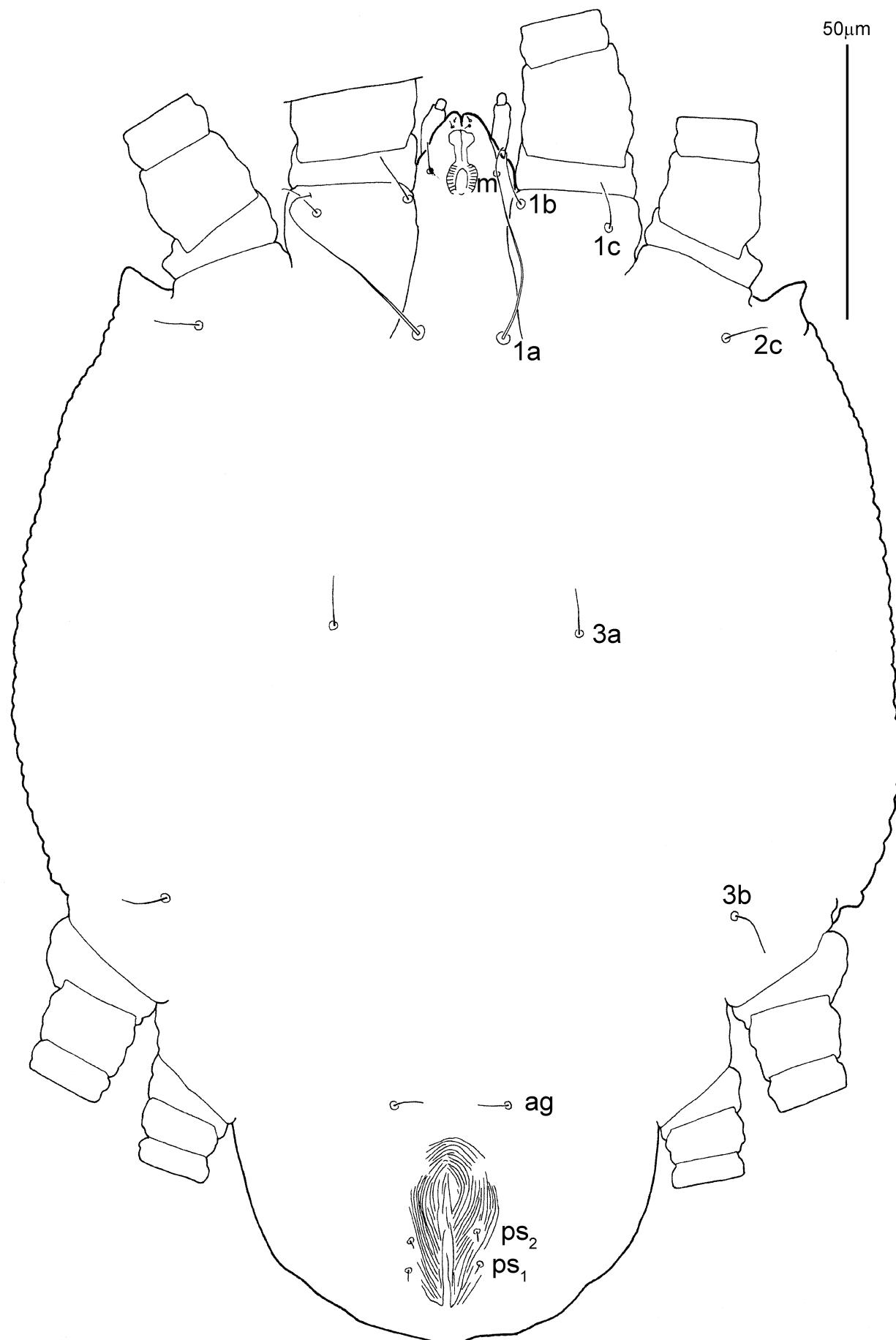


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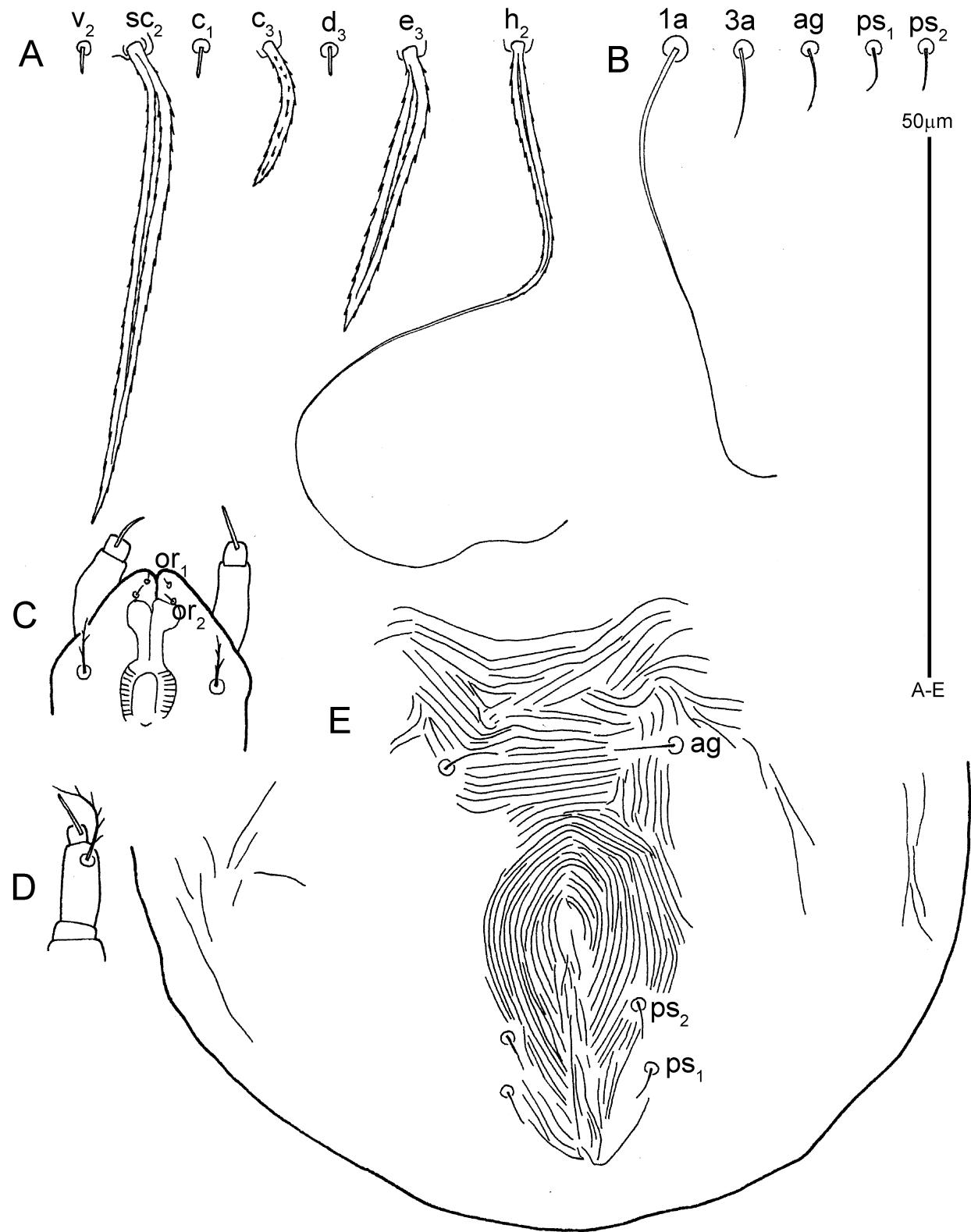


FIGURE 32. *Tenupalpus antipodus* Collyer (Protonymph). A, dorsal setae; B, ventral setae; C, subcapitulum; D, palp; E, genitoanal area.

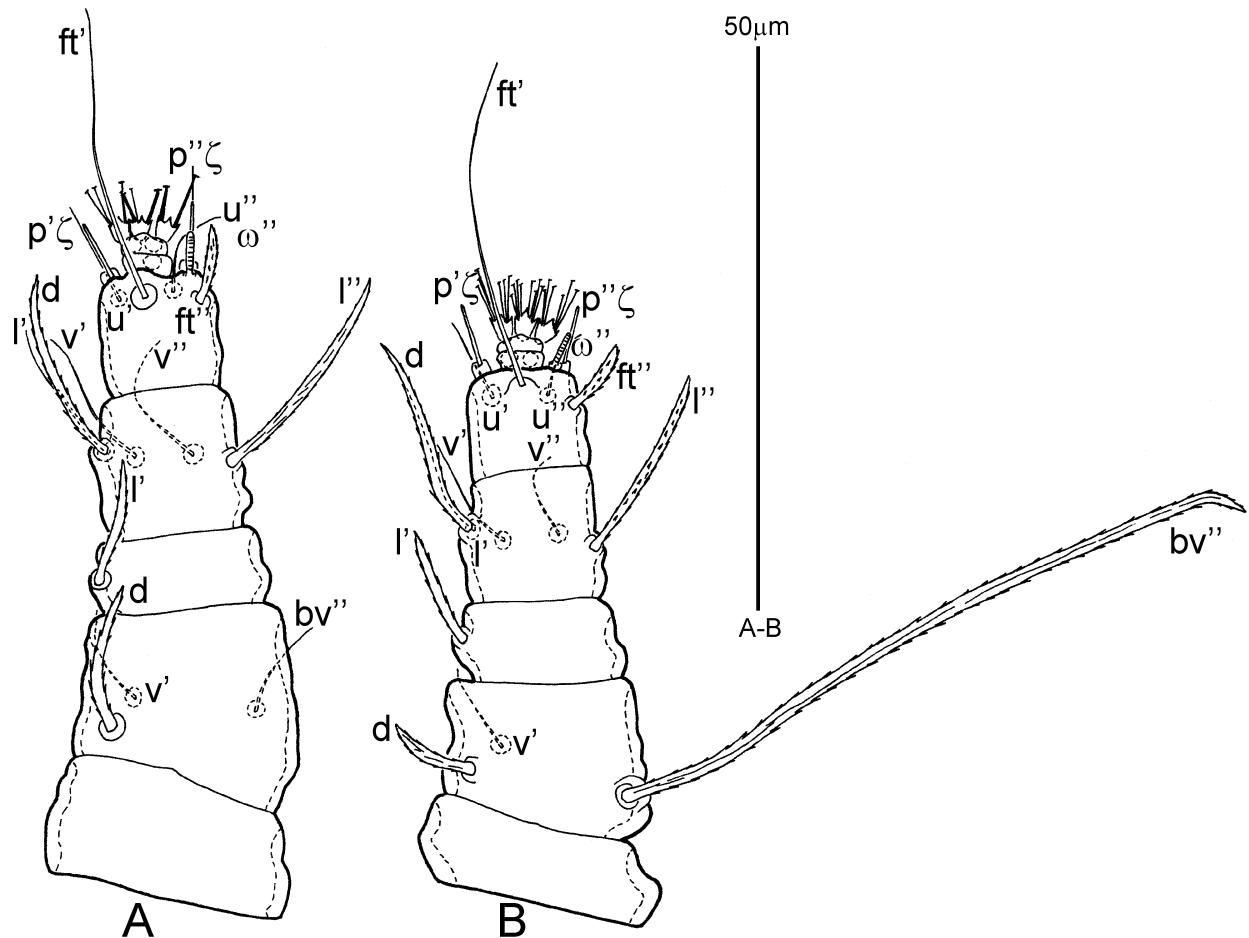


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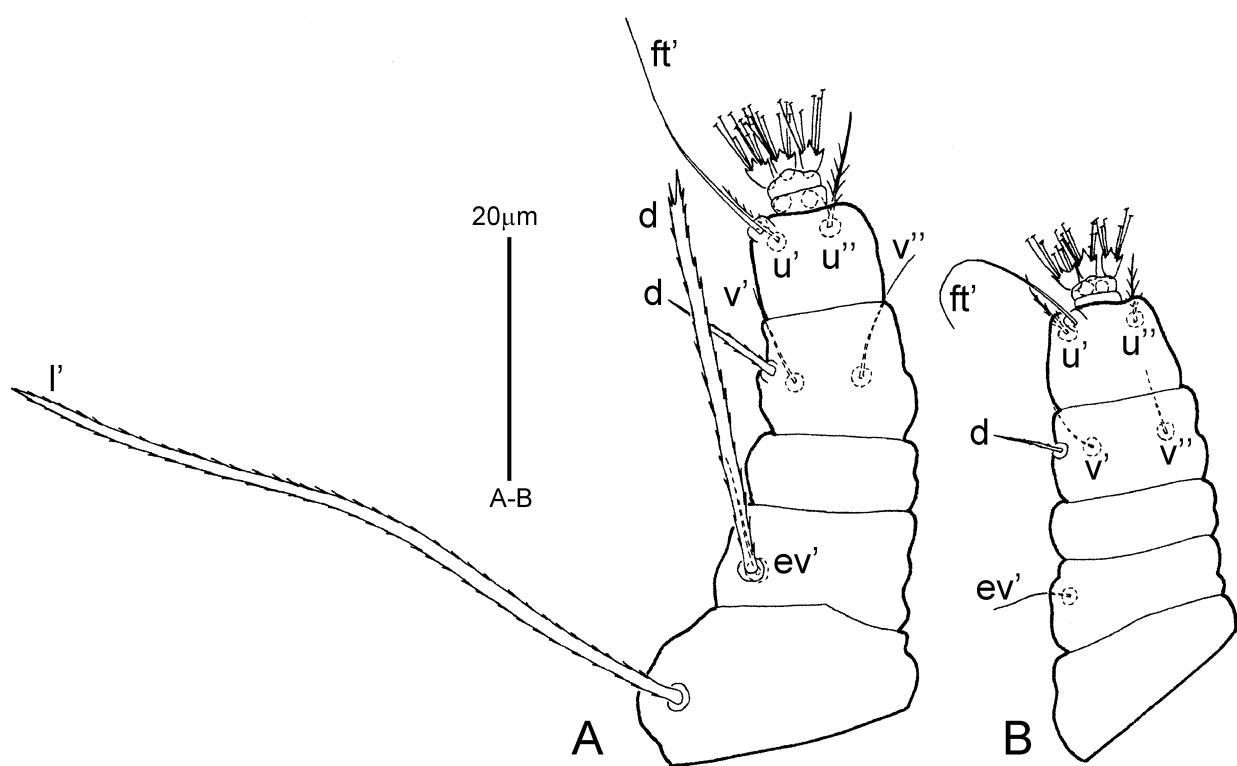


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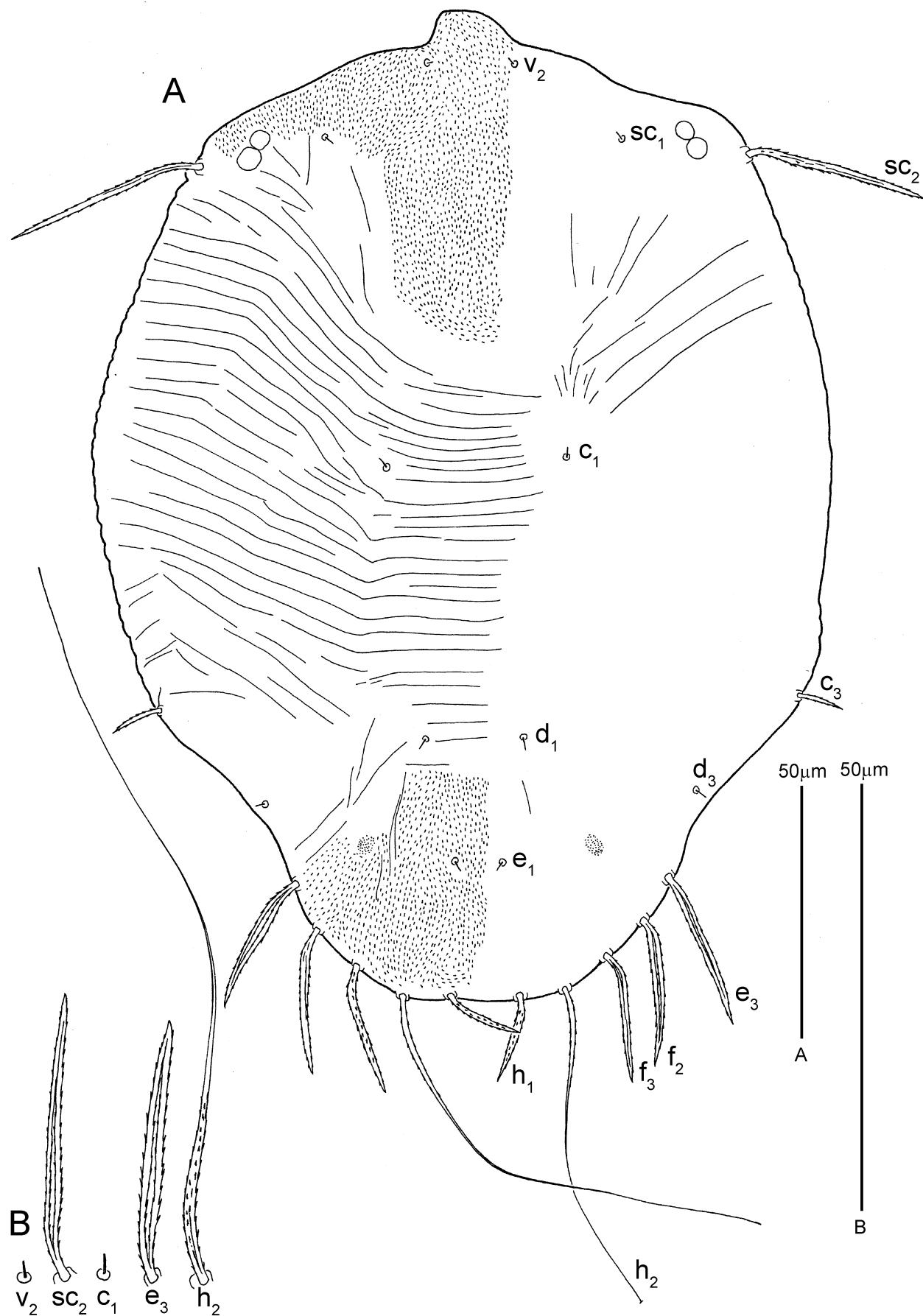


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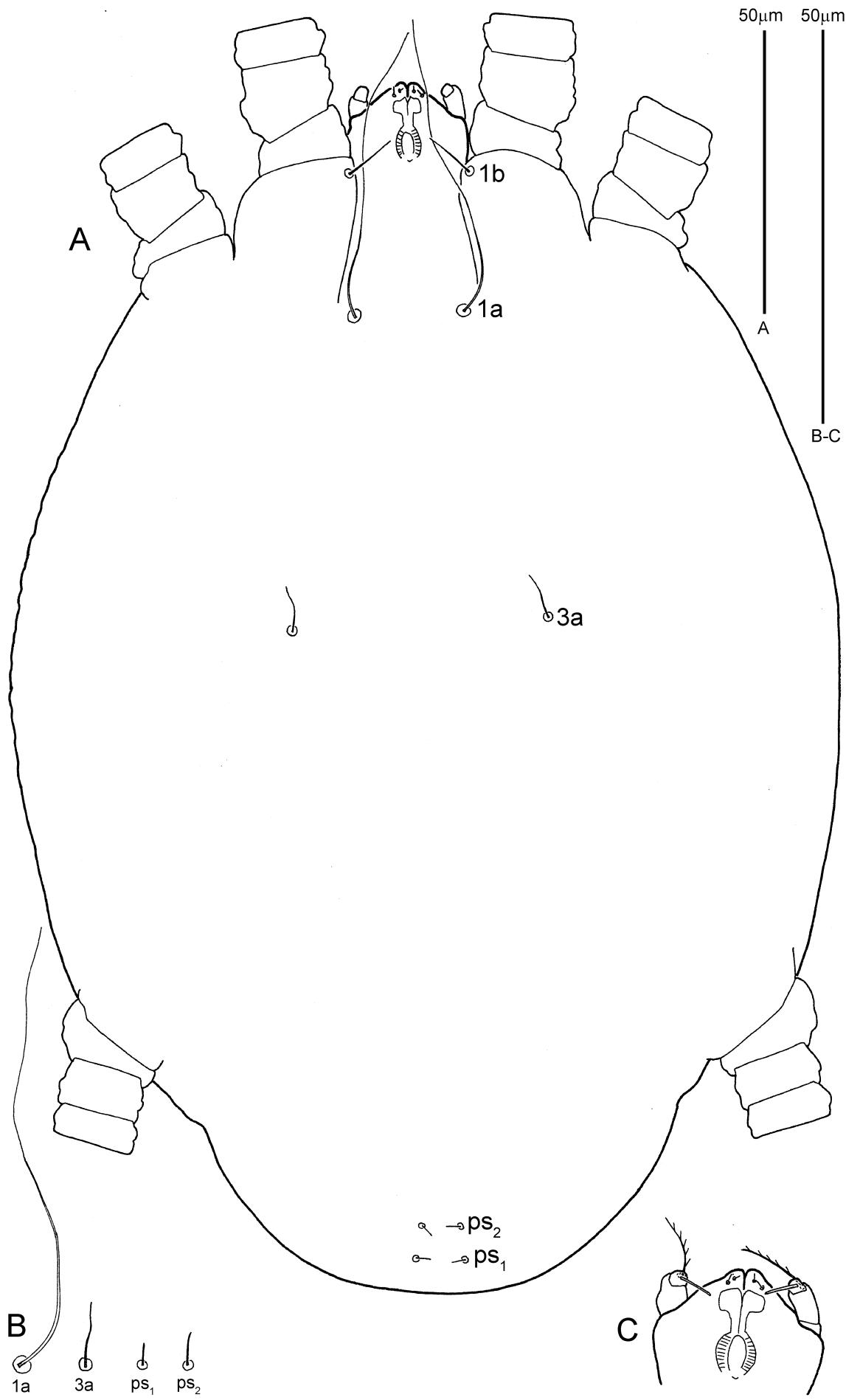


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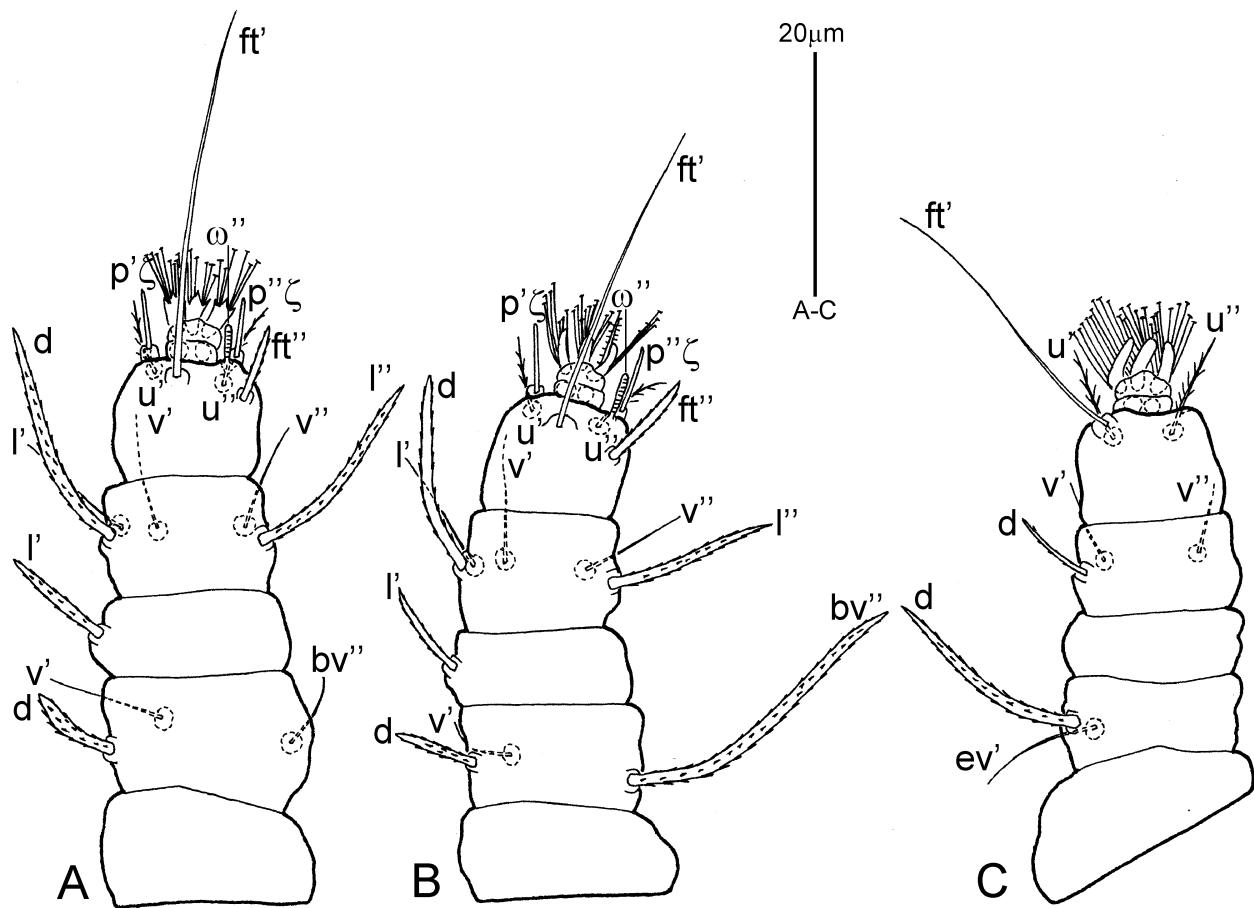


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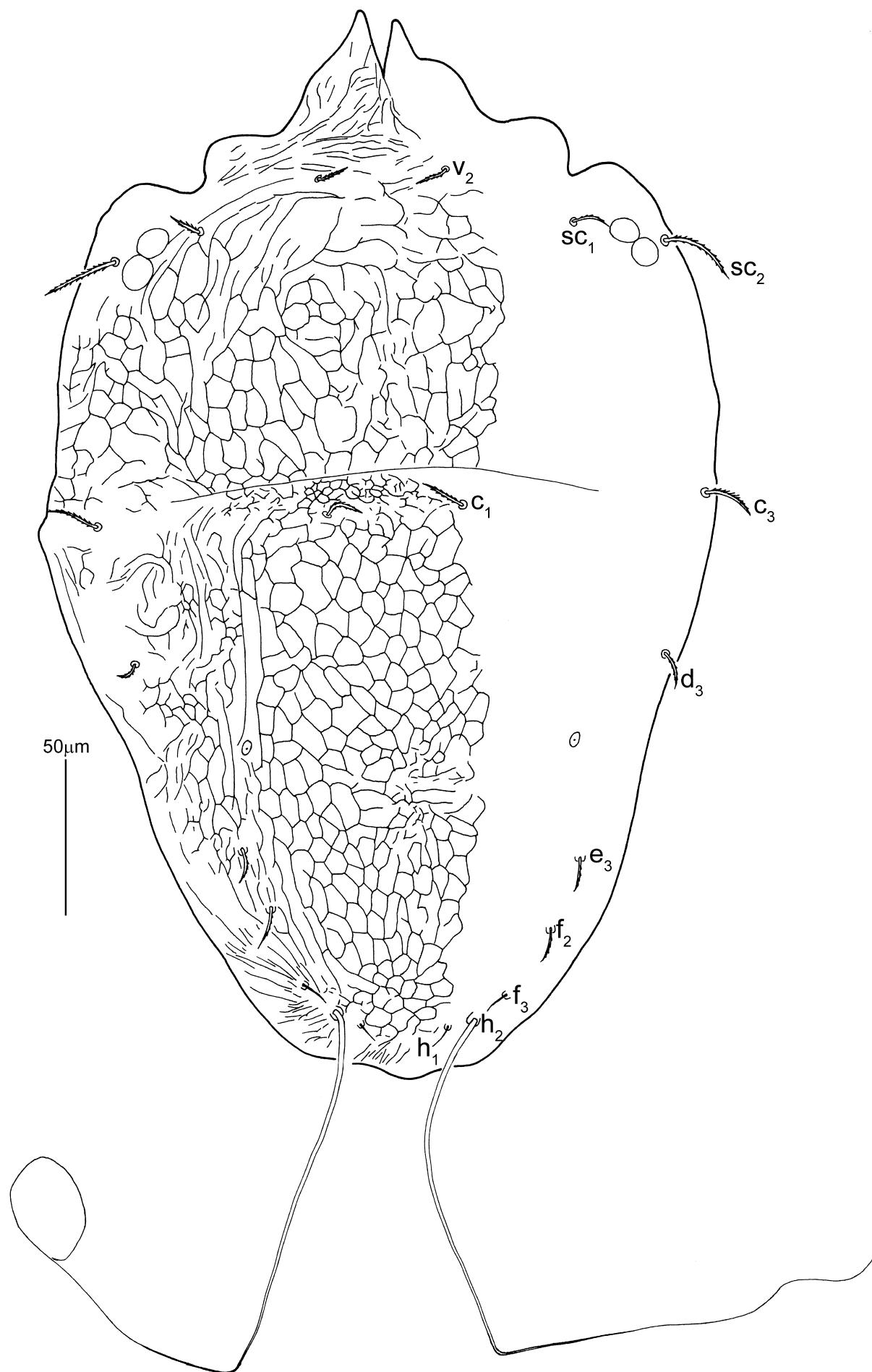


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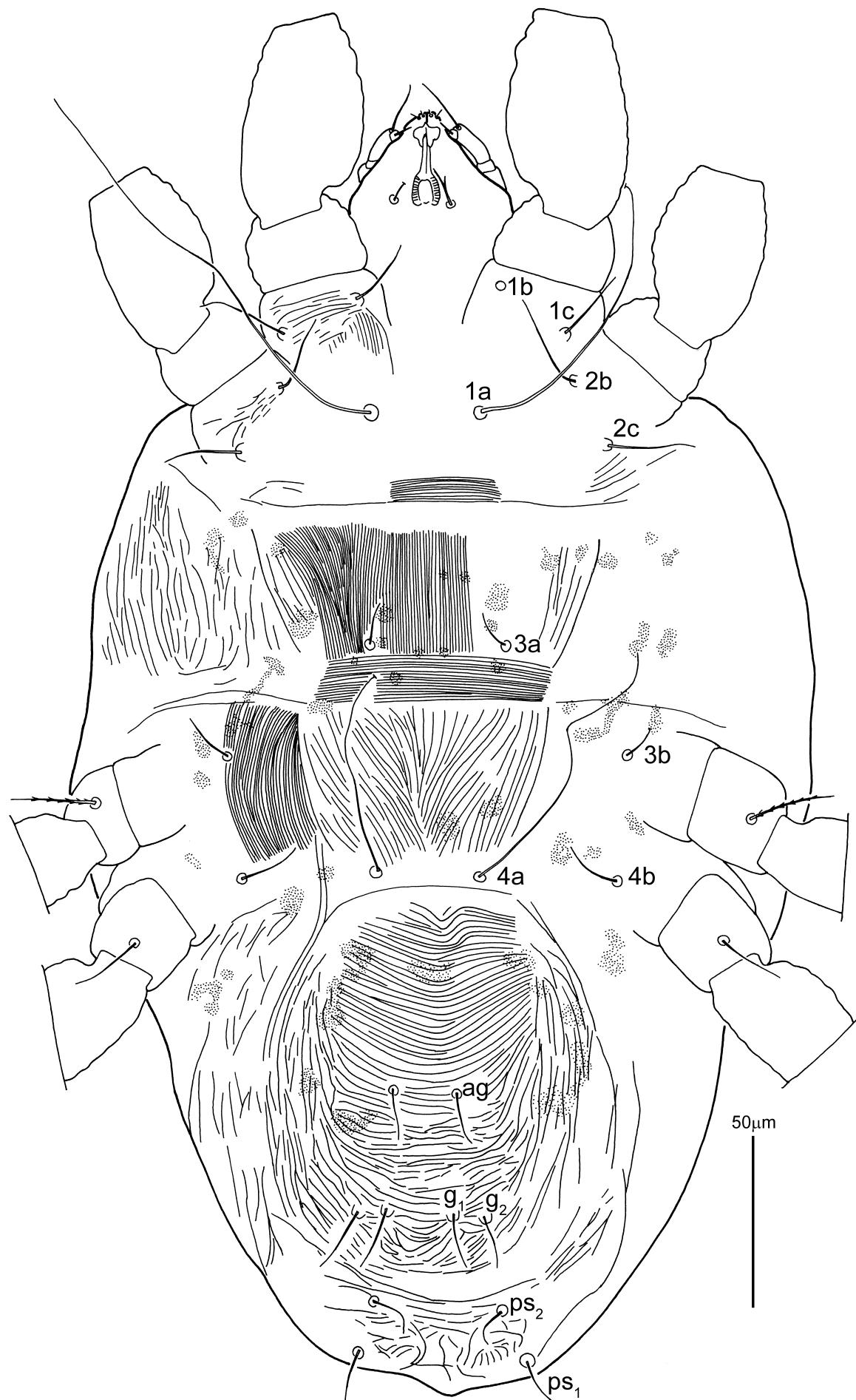


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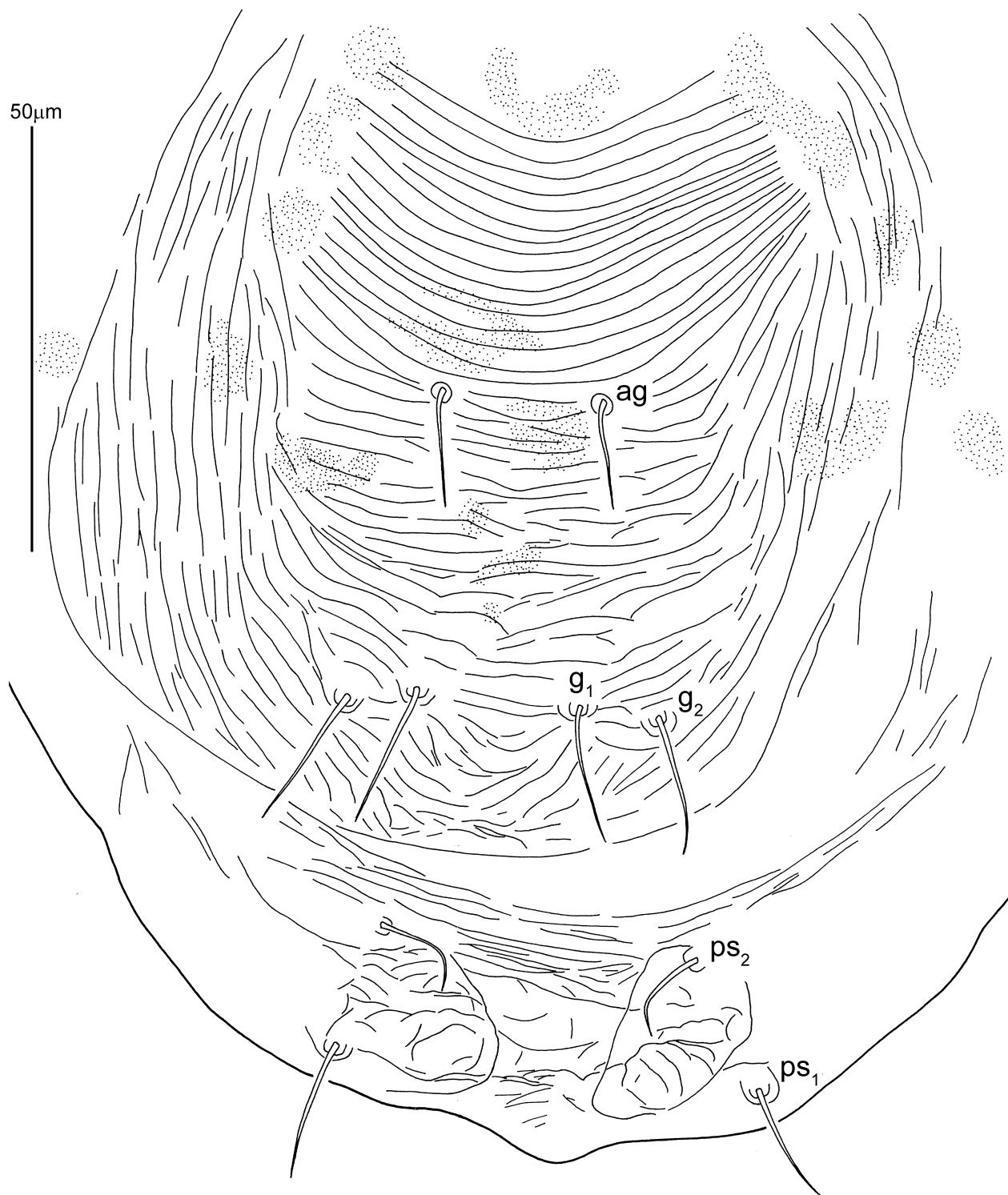


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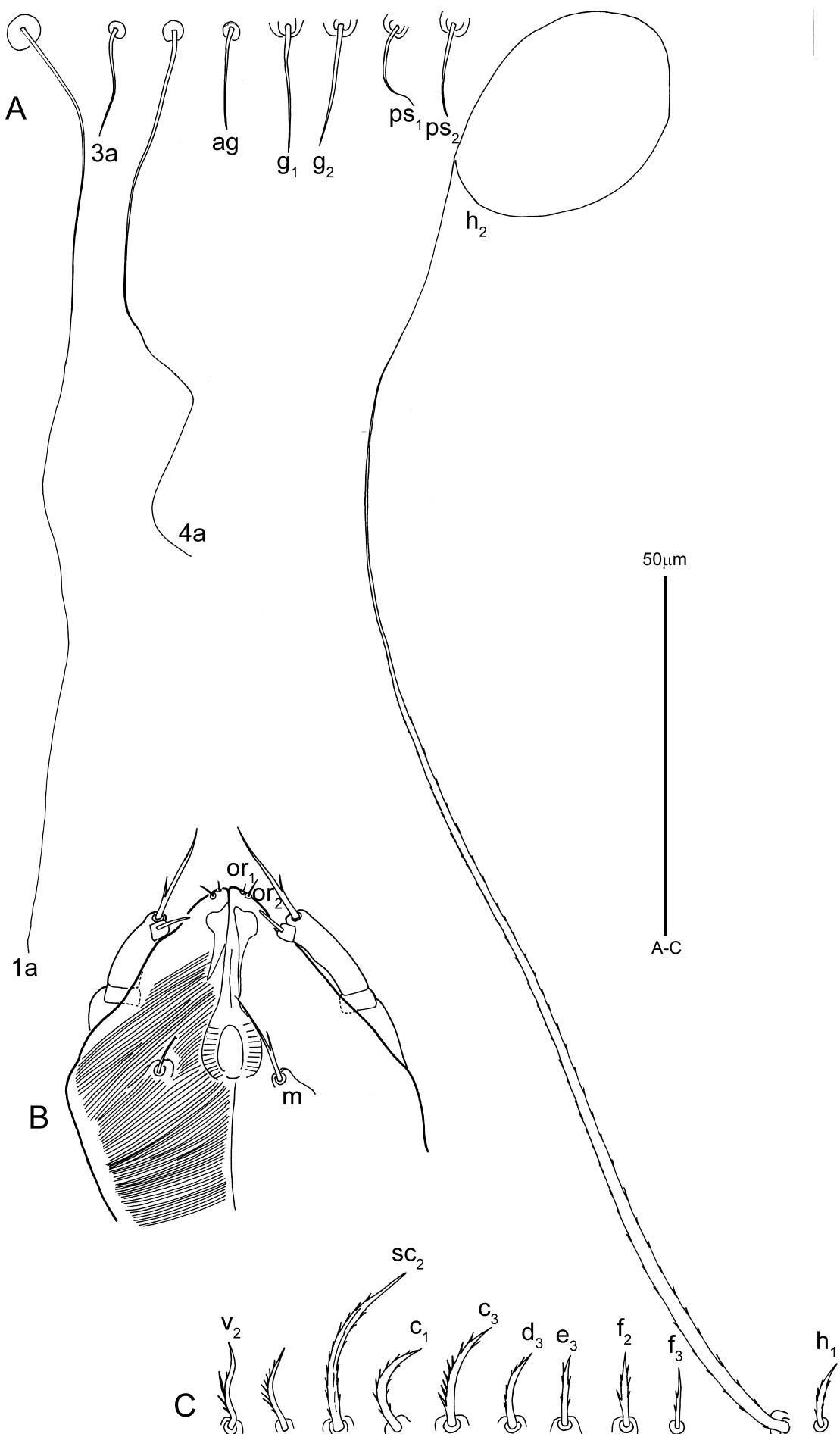


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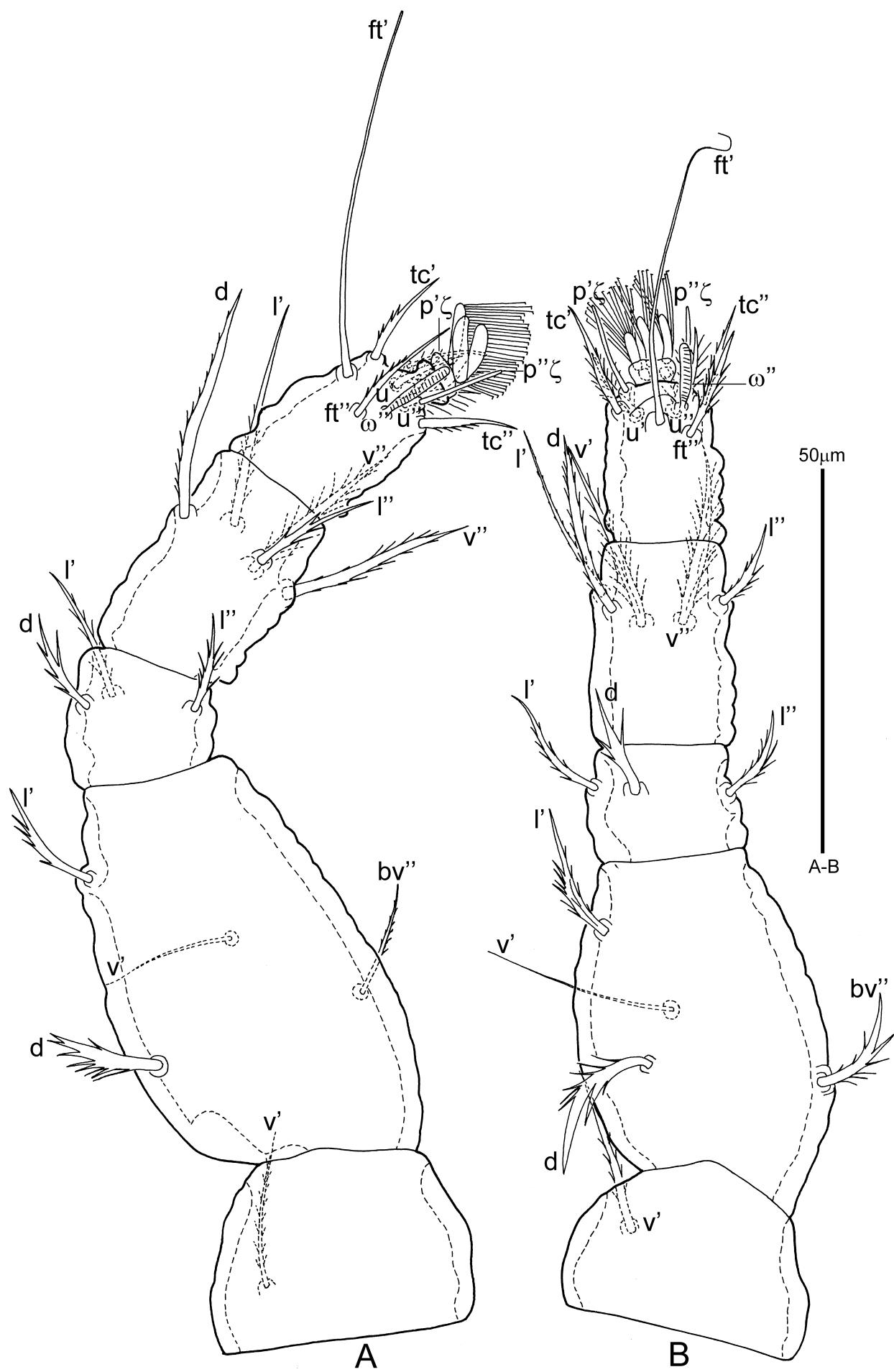


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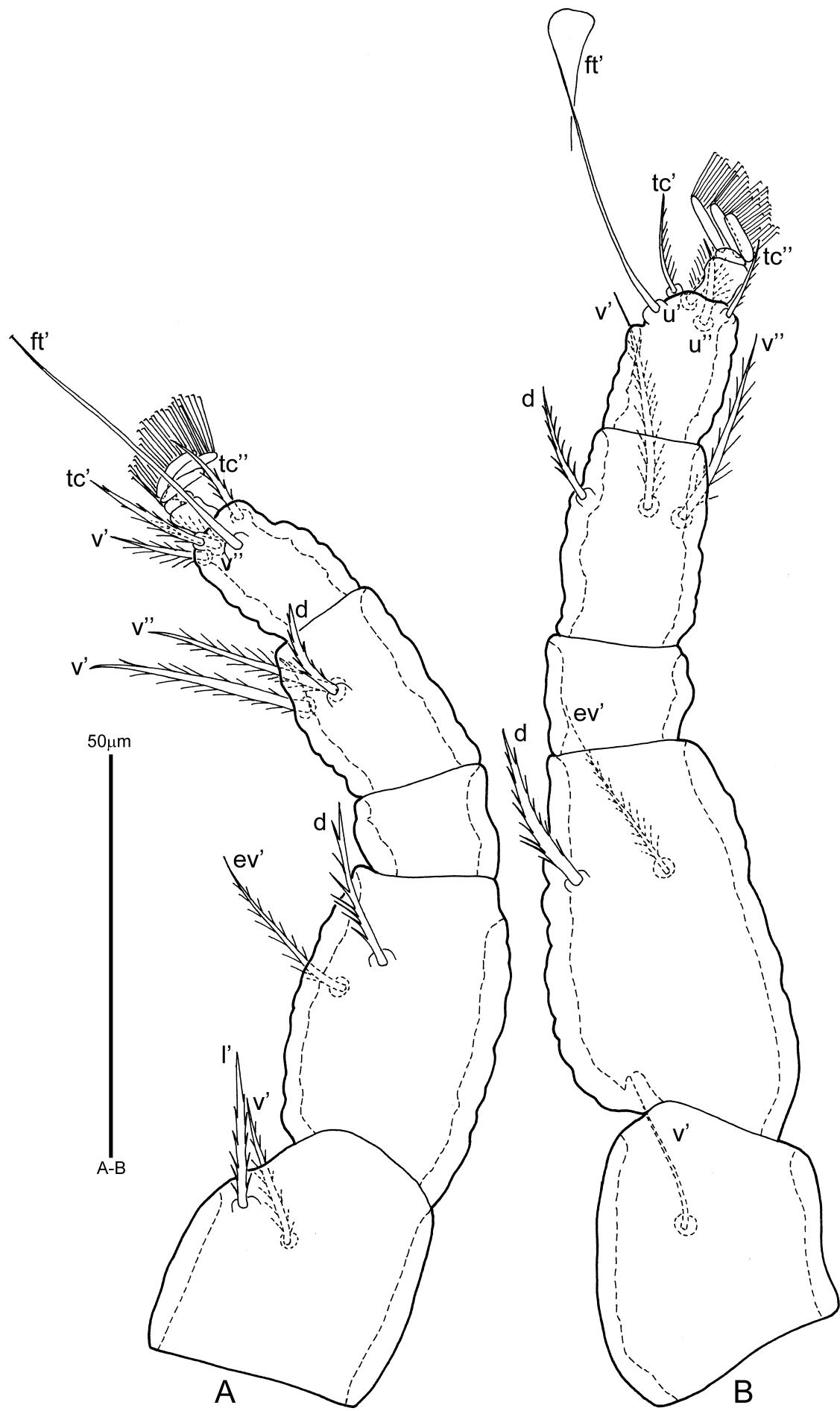


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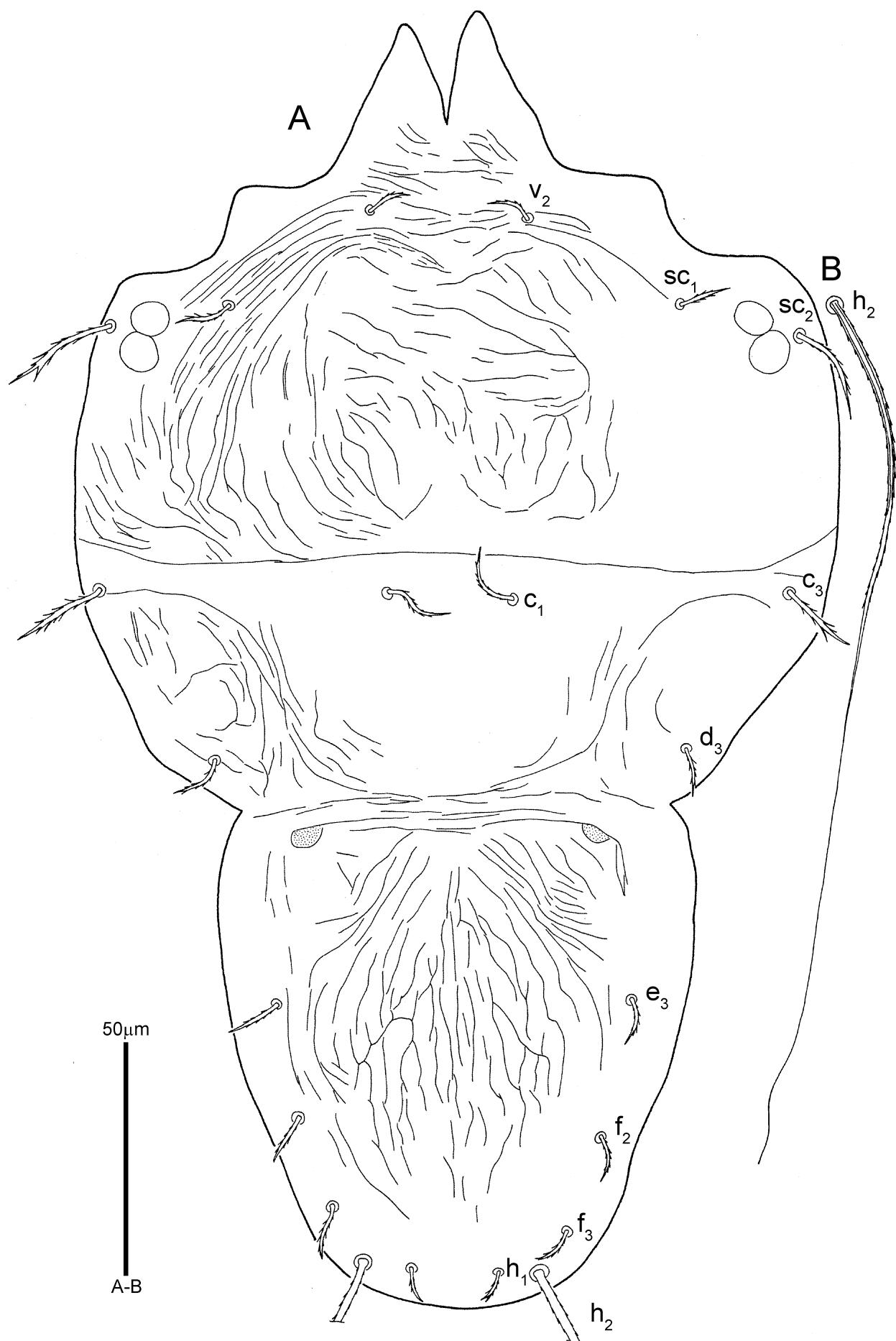


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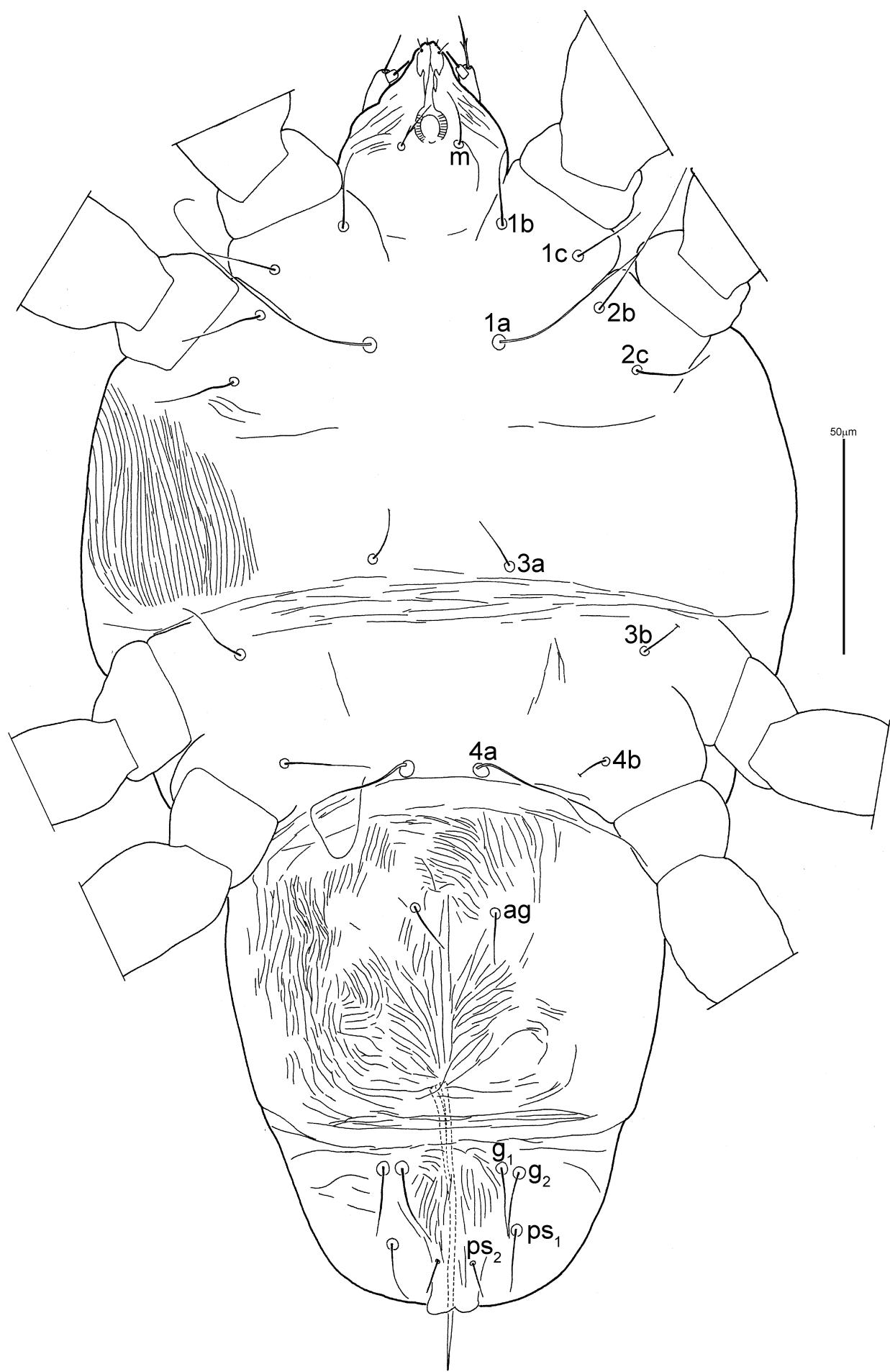


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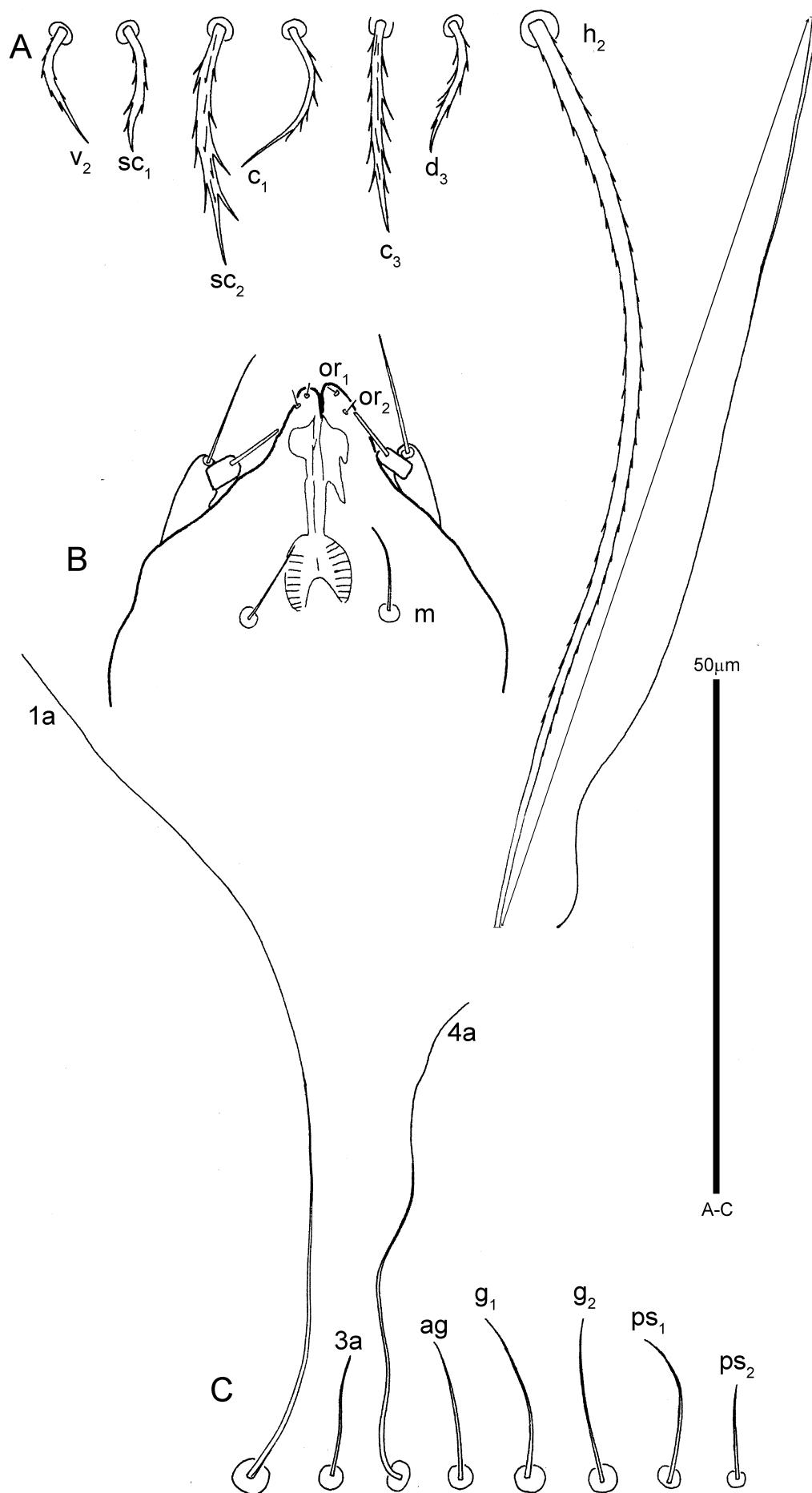


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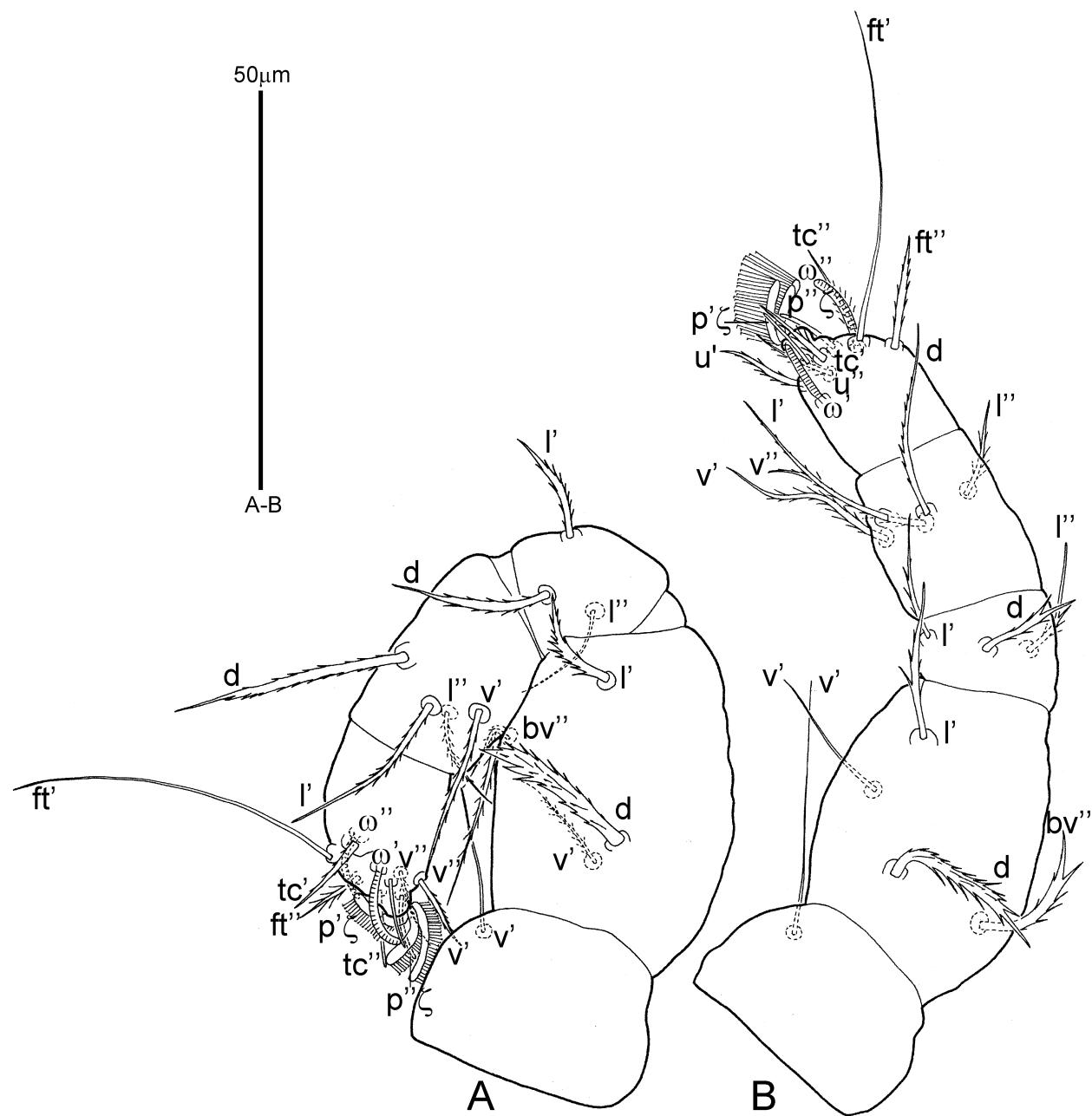


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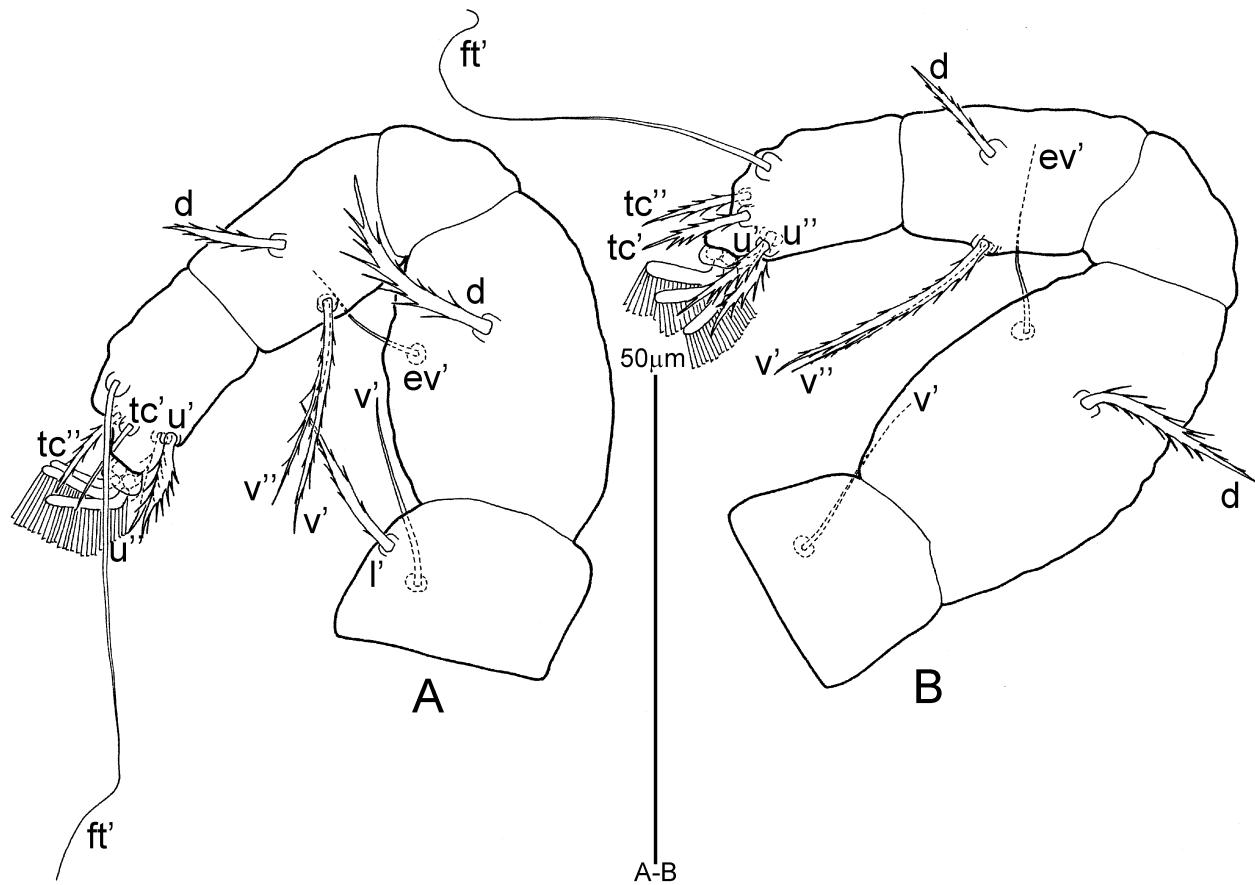


FIGURE 48. *Tenuipalpus cyatheae* Gerson & Collyer (male). A, leg III; B, leg IV.

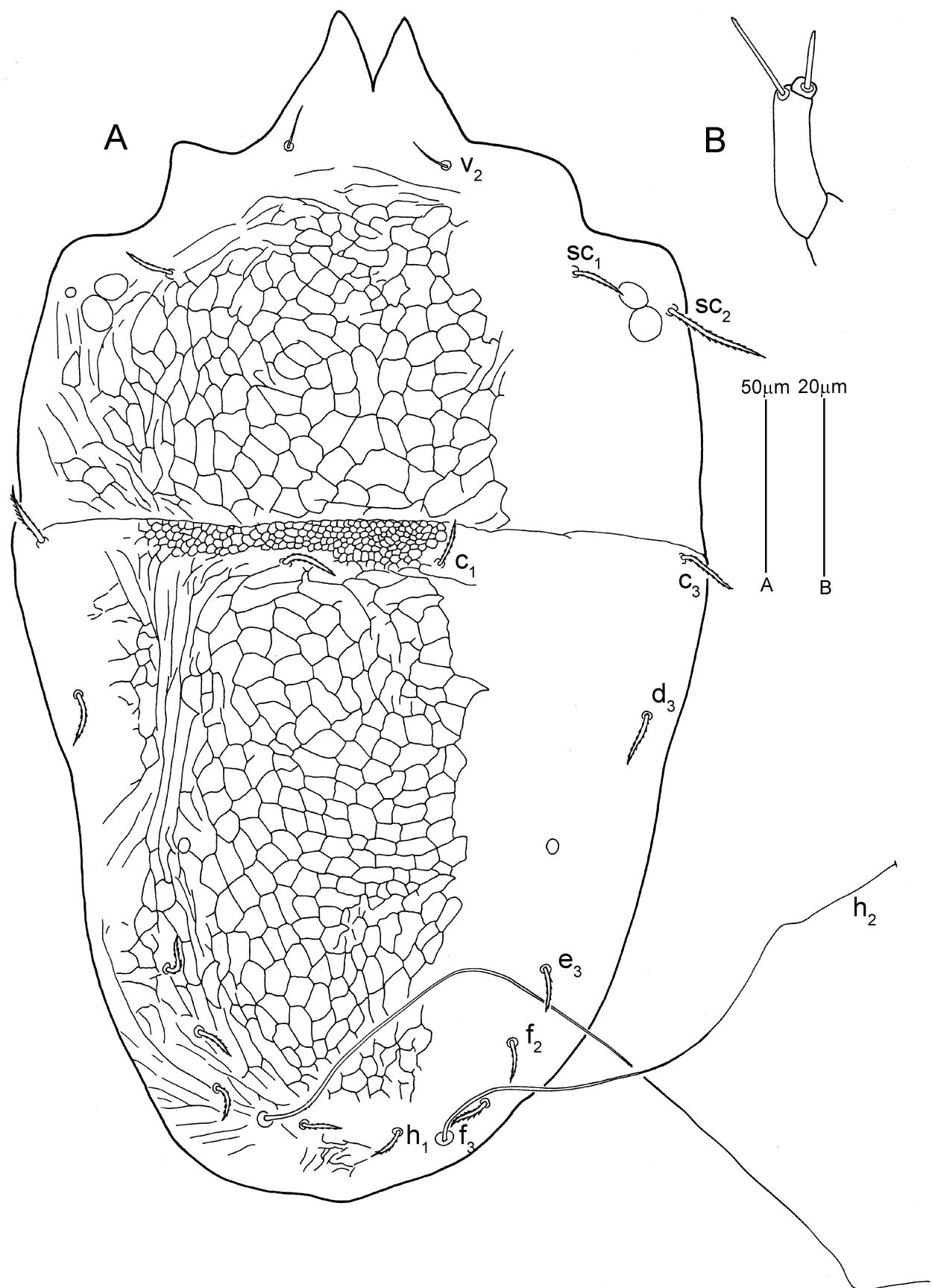


FIGURE 49. *Tenuipalpus elegans* Collyer (female). A, dorsal view of idiosoma; B, palp.

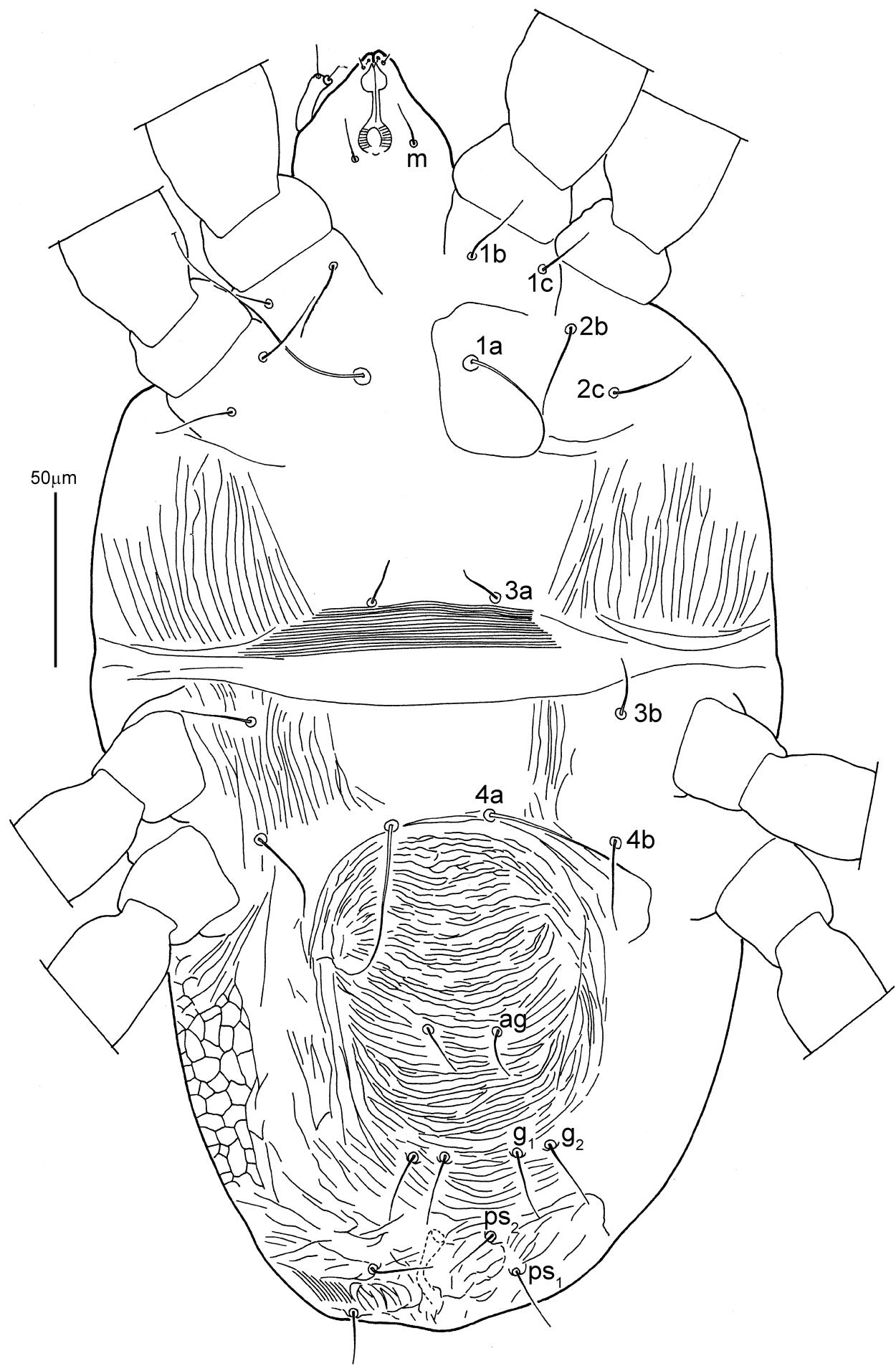


FIGURE 50. *Tenuipalpus elegans* Collyer (female). Ventral view of idiosoma.

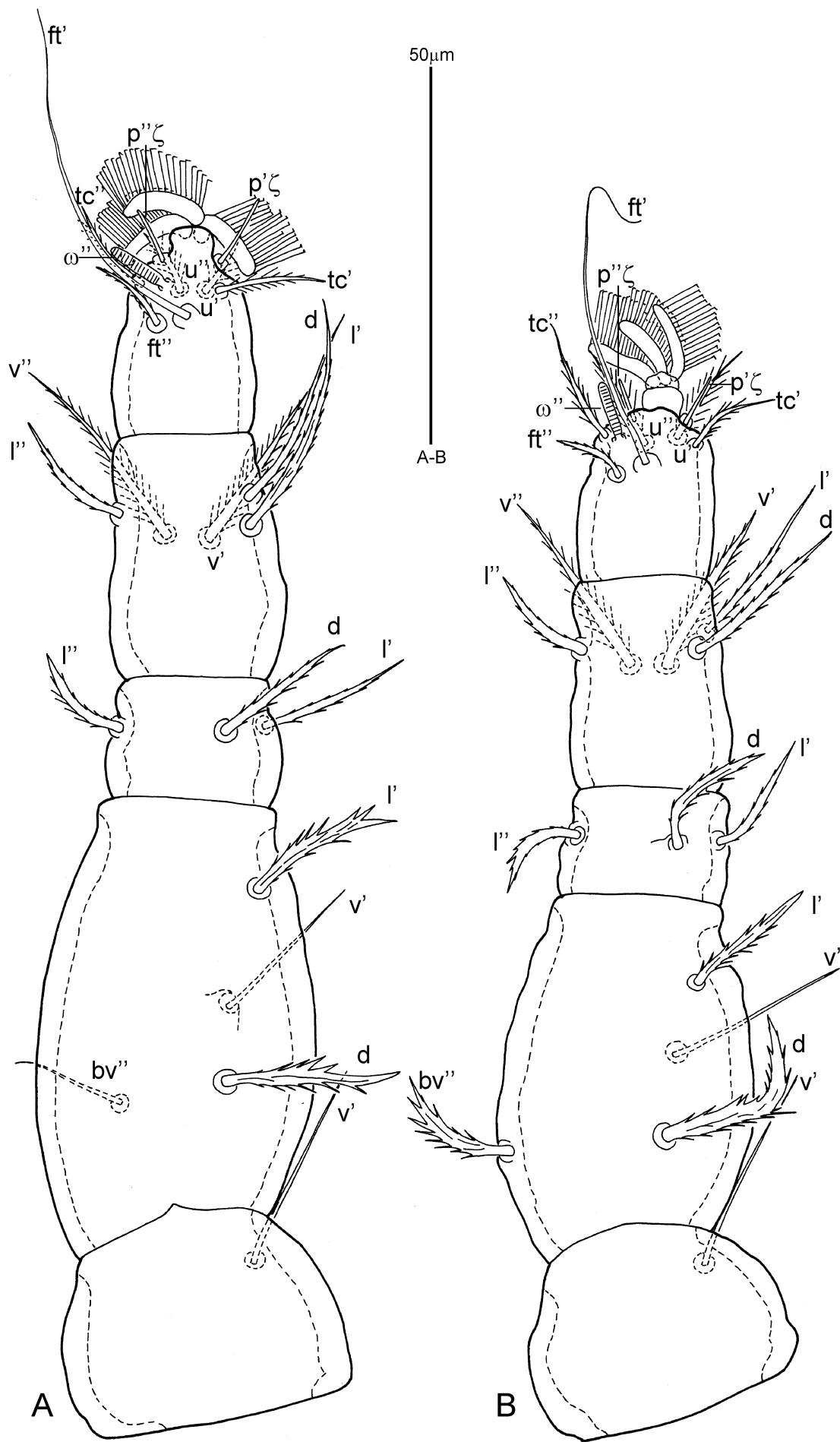


FIGURE 51. *Tenuipalpus elegans* Collyer (female). A, leg I; B, leg II.

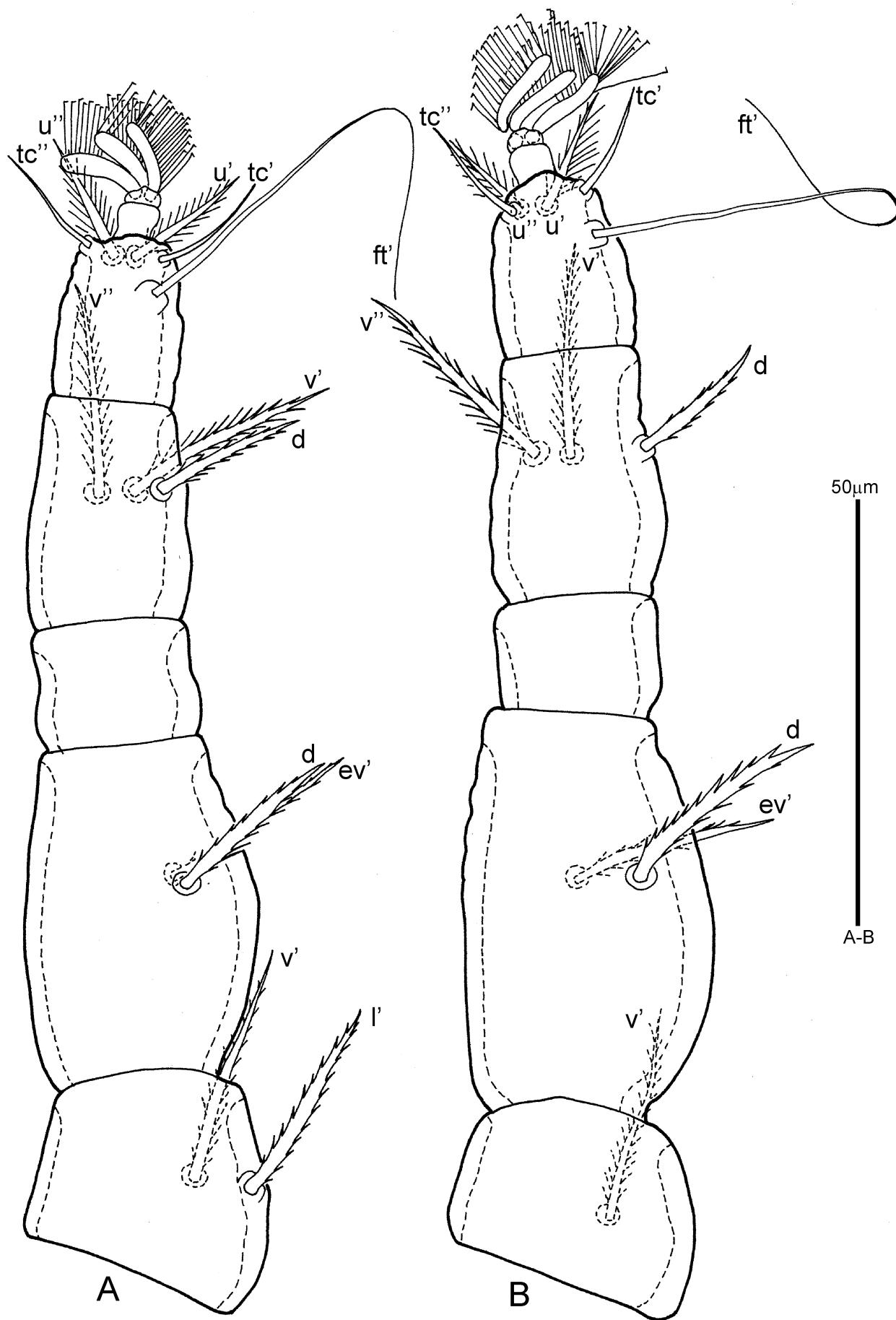


FIGURE 52. *Tenuipalpus elegans* Collyer (female). A, leg III; B, leg I

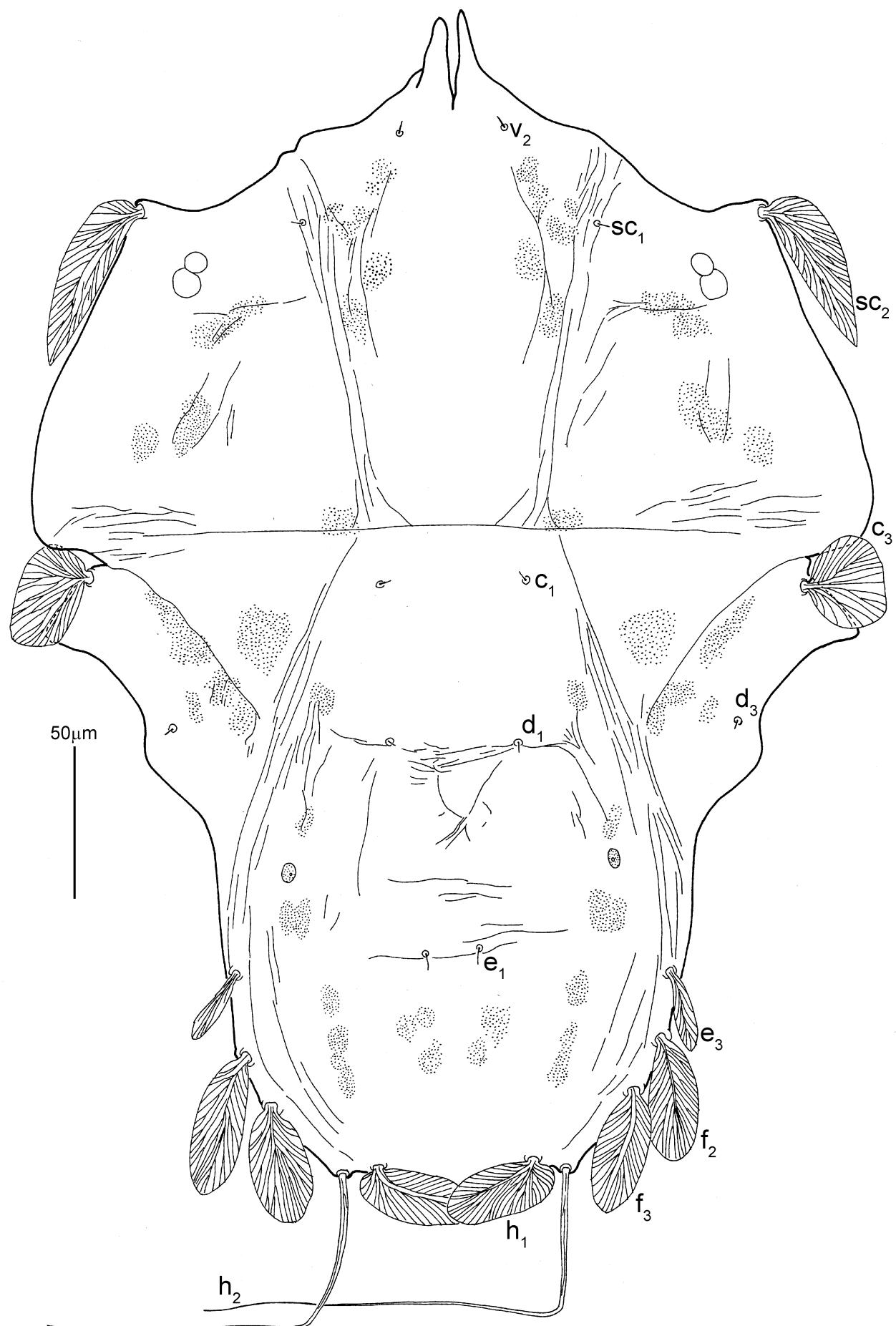


FIGURE 53. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (female). Dorsal view of idiosoma.

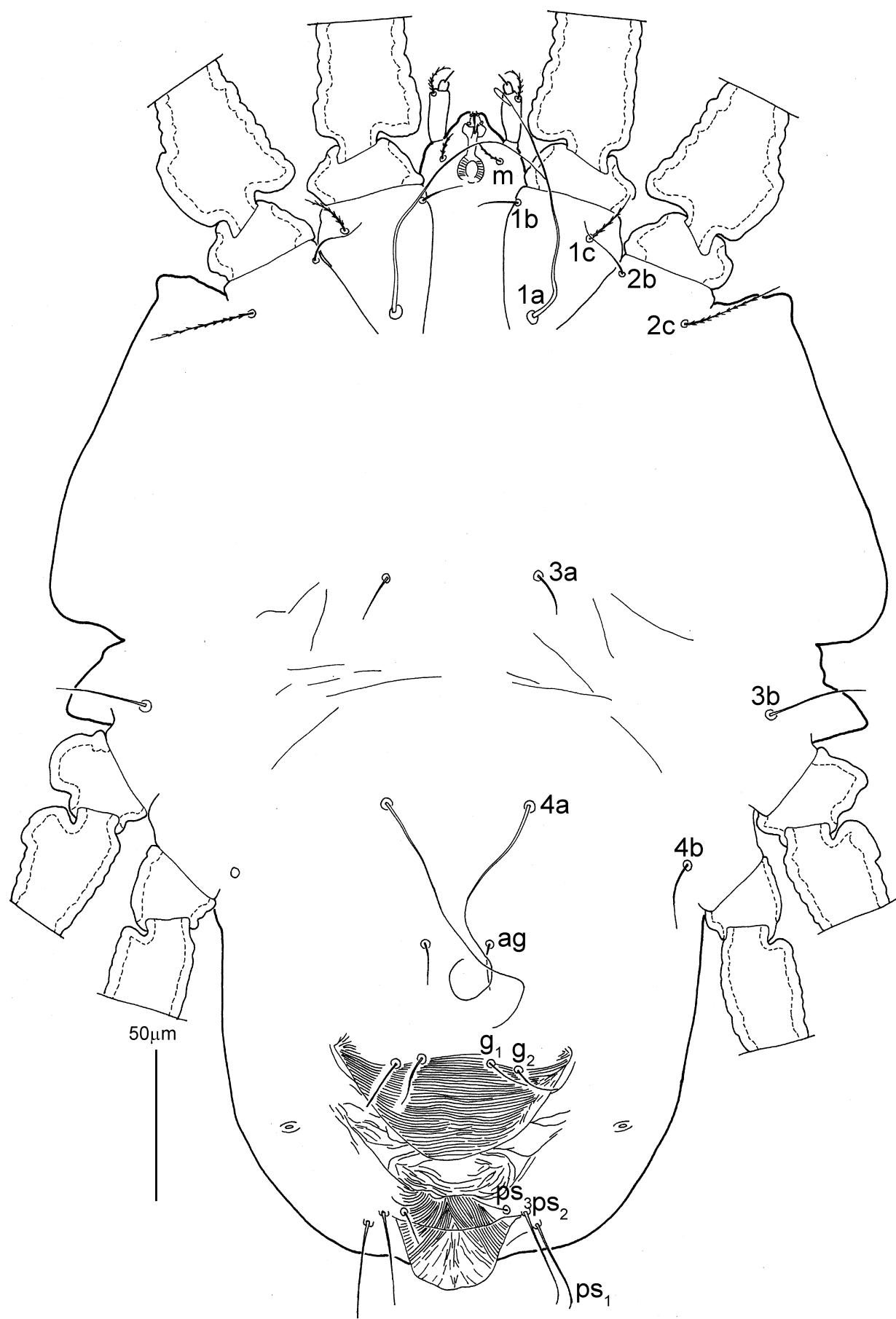


FIGURE 54. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (female). Ventral view of idiosoma.

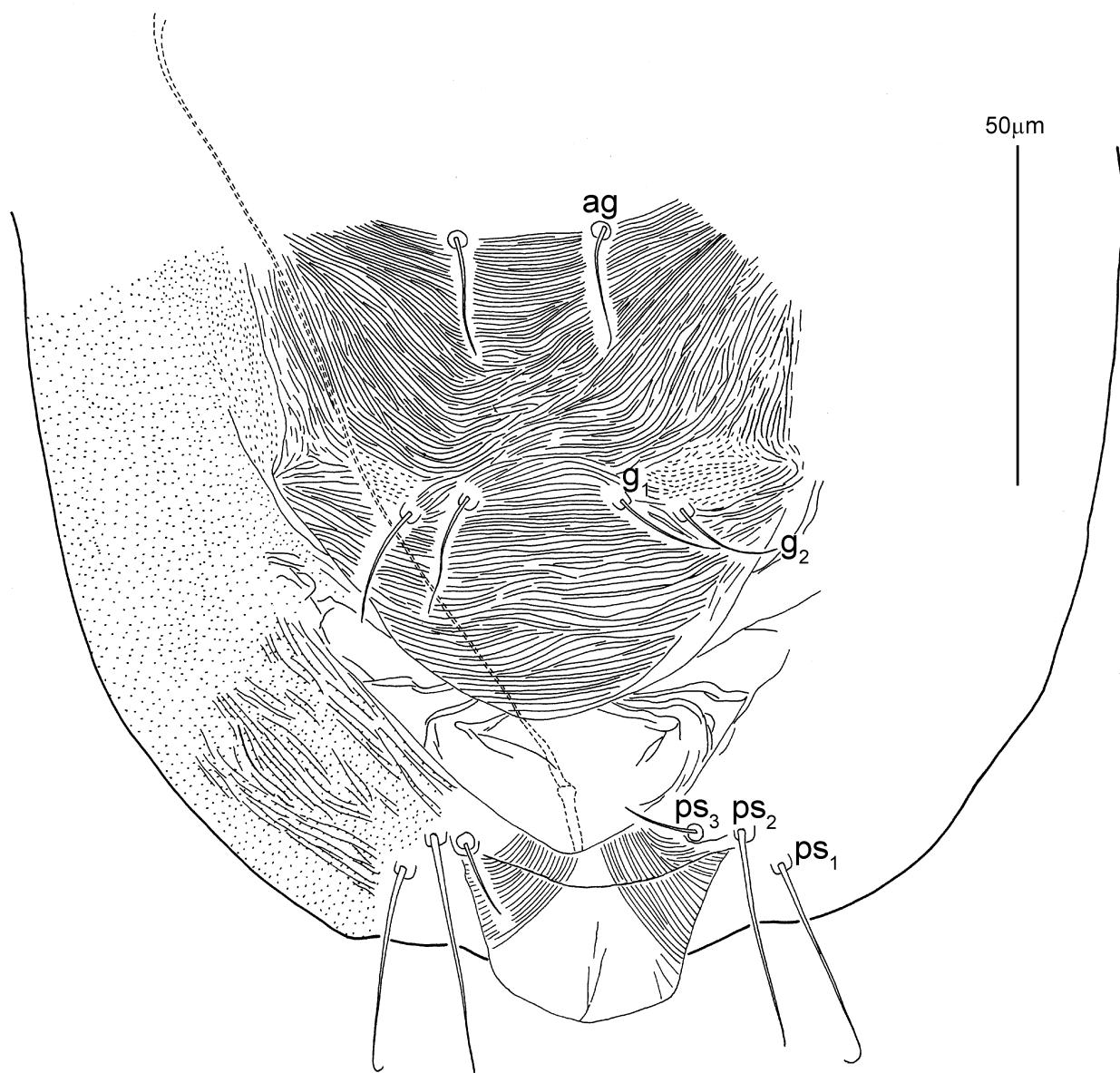


FIGURE 55. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (female). Genitoanal area.

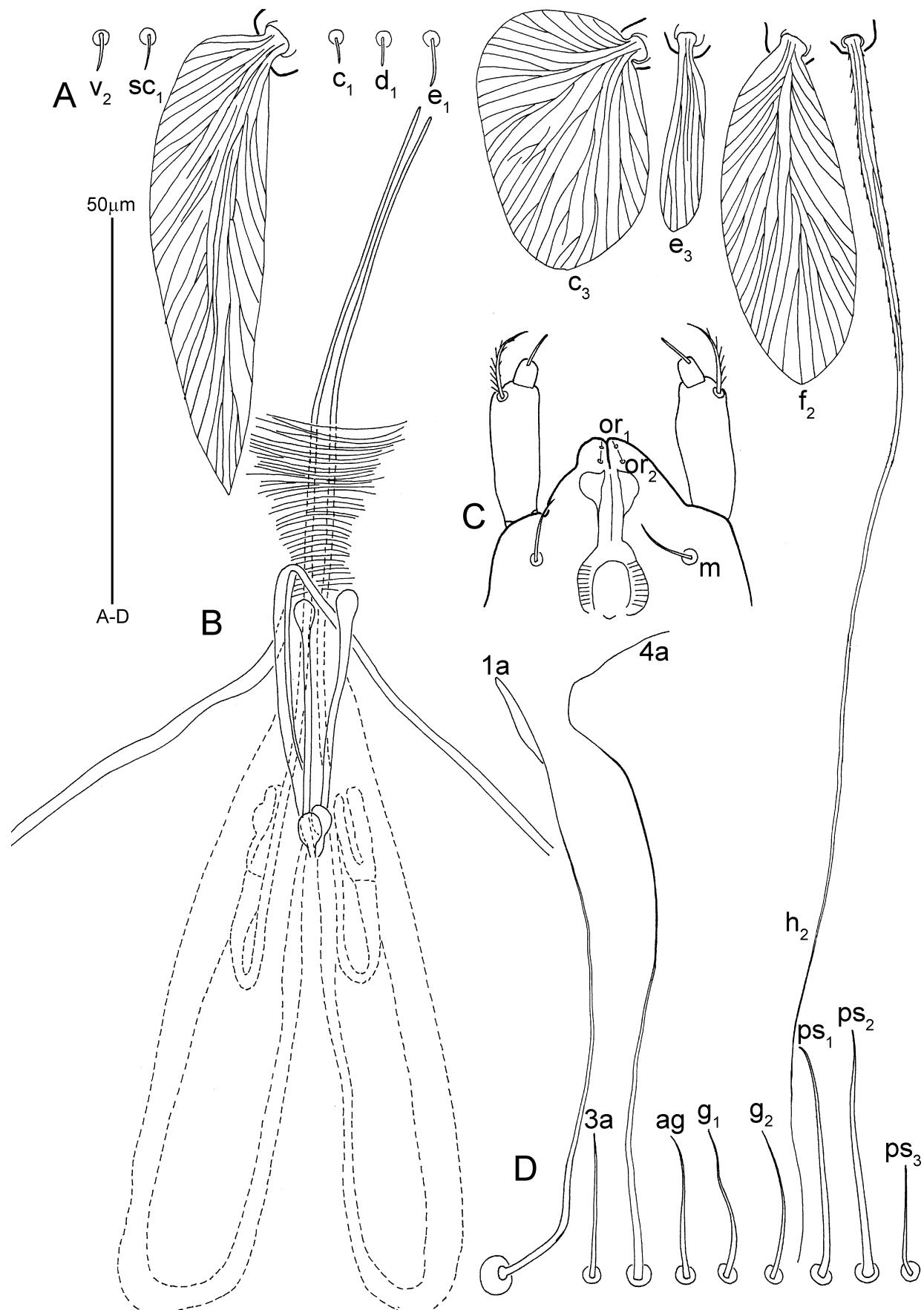


FIGURE 56. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (female). A, dorsal setae; B, chelicerae and collar; C, subcapitulum; D, ventral setae.

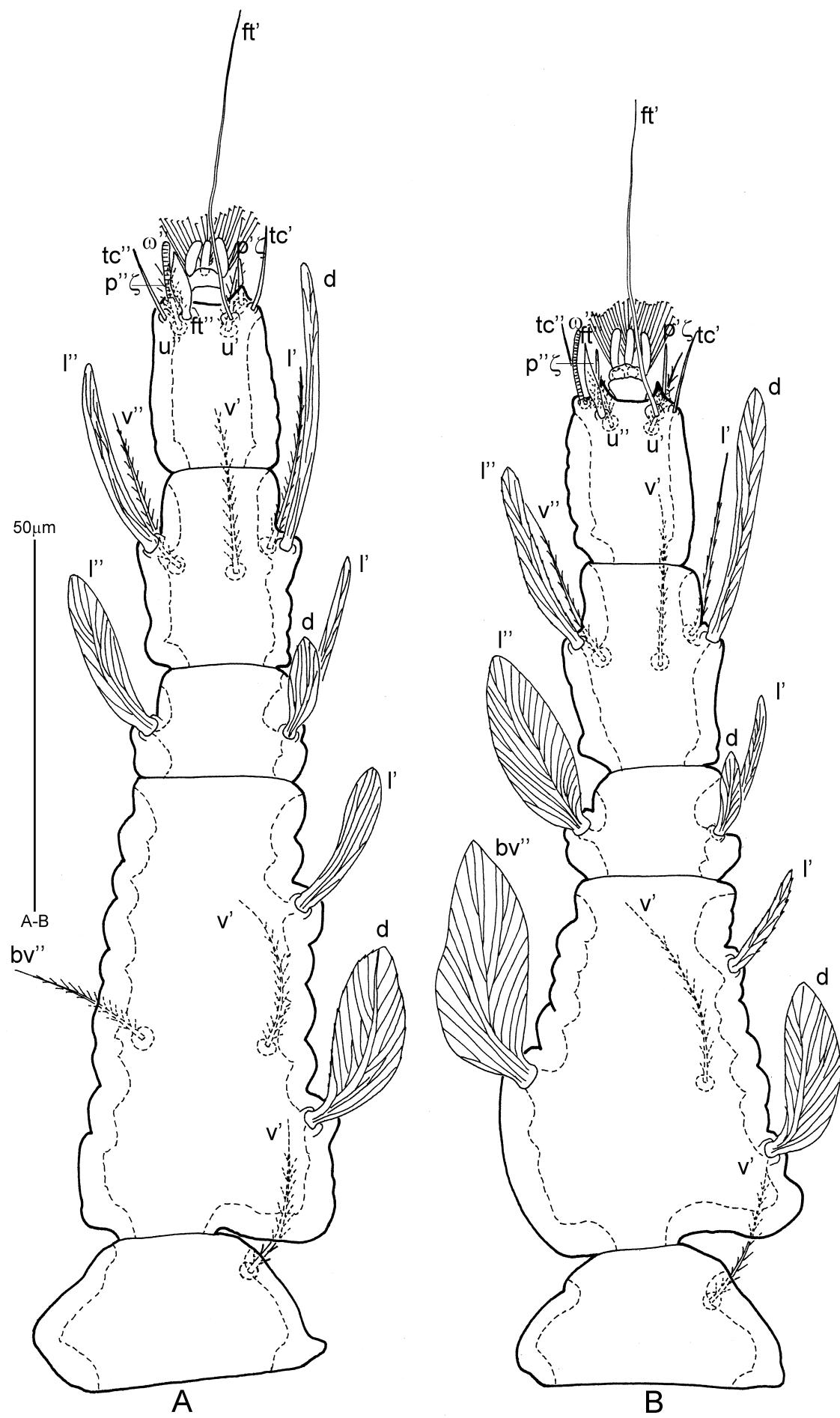


FIGURE 57. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (female). A, leg I; B, leg II.

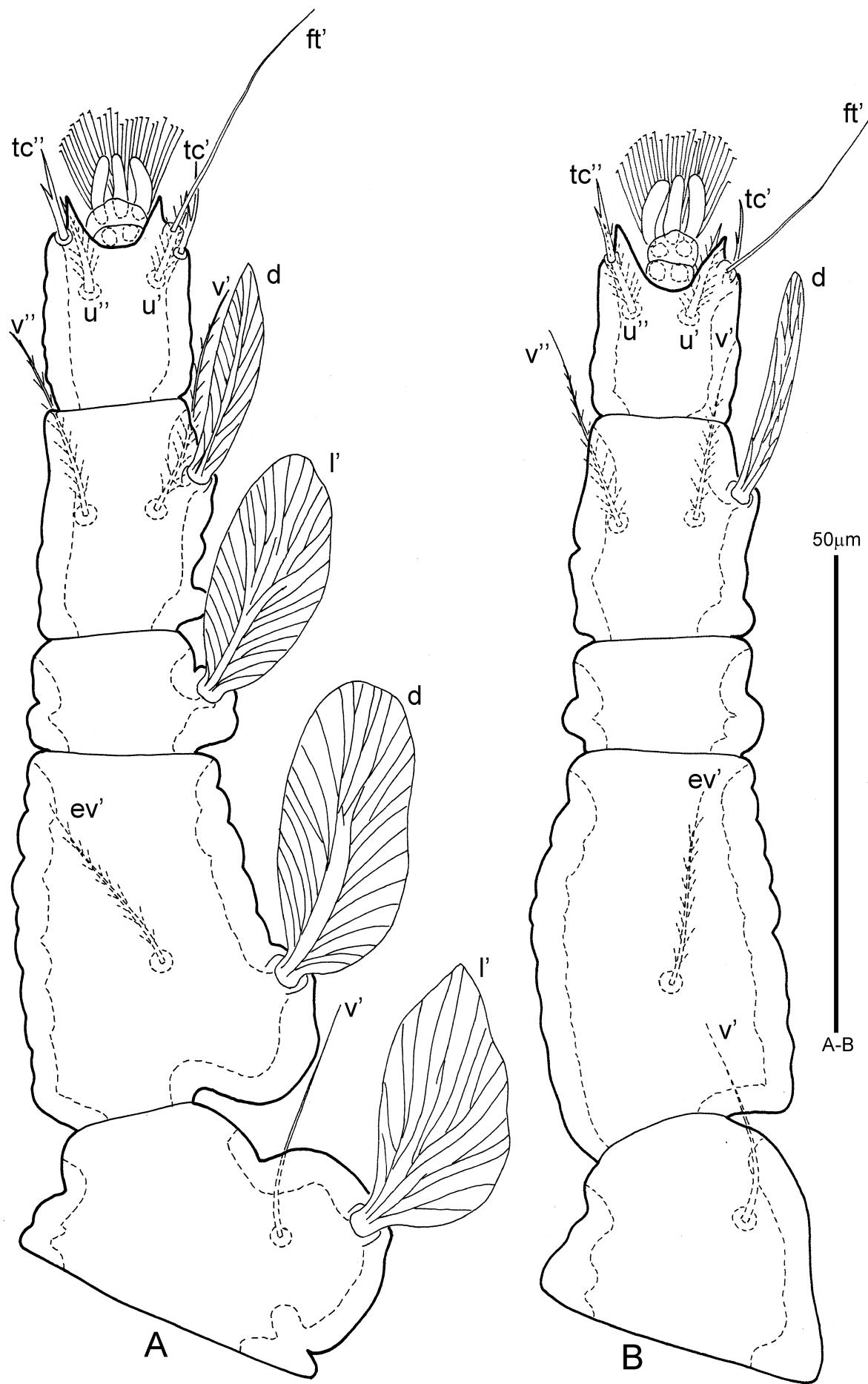


FIGURE 58. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (female). A, leg III; B, leg IV.



FIGURE 59. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (male). Dorsal view of idiosoma.

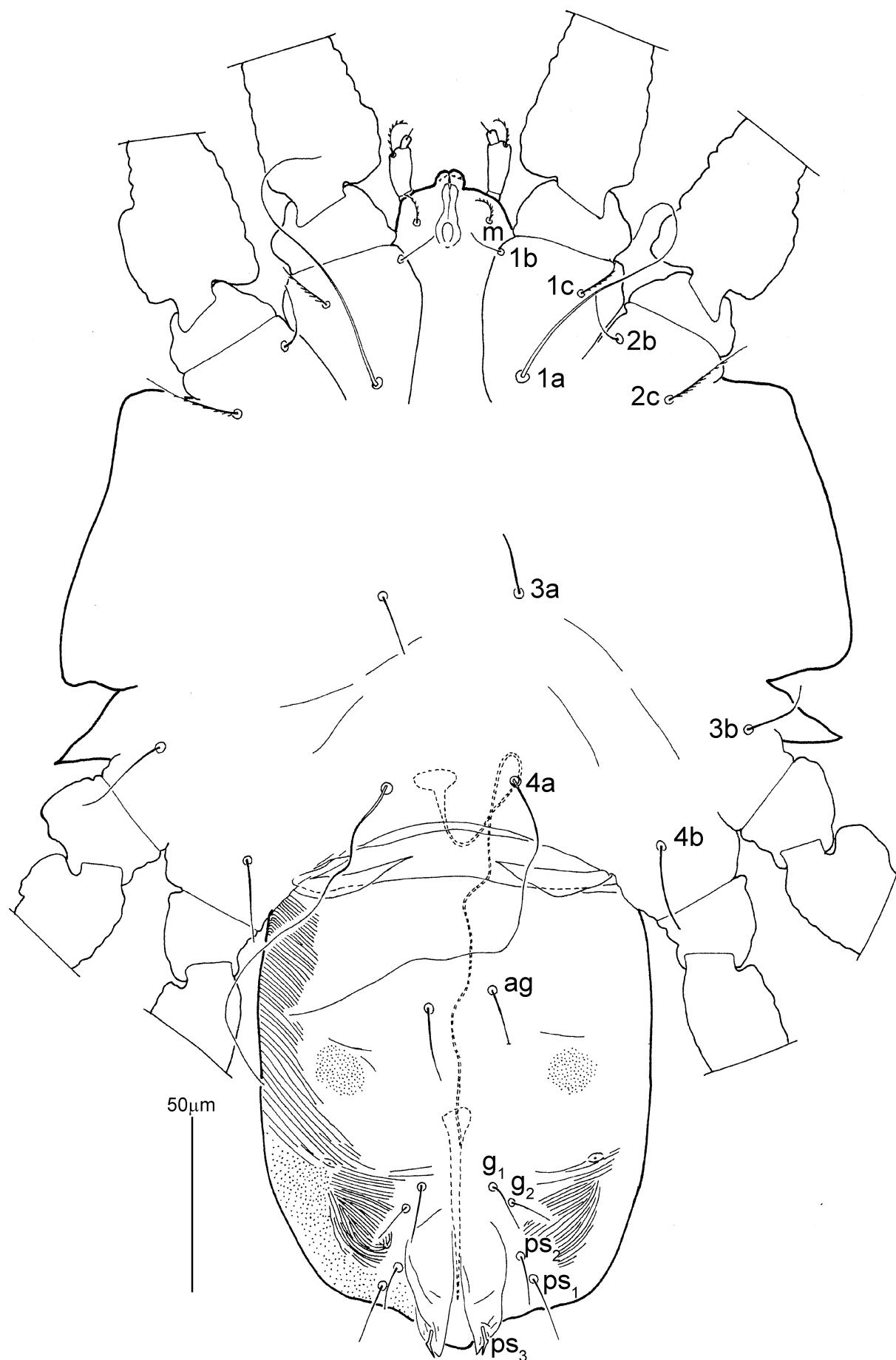


FIGURE 60. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (male). Ventral view of idiosoma.

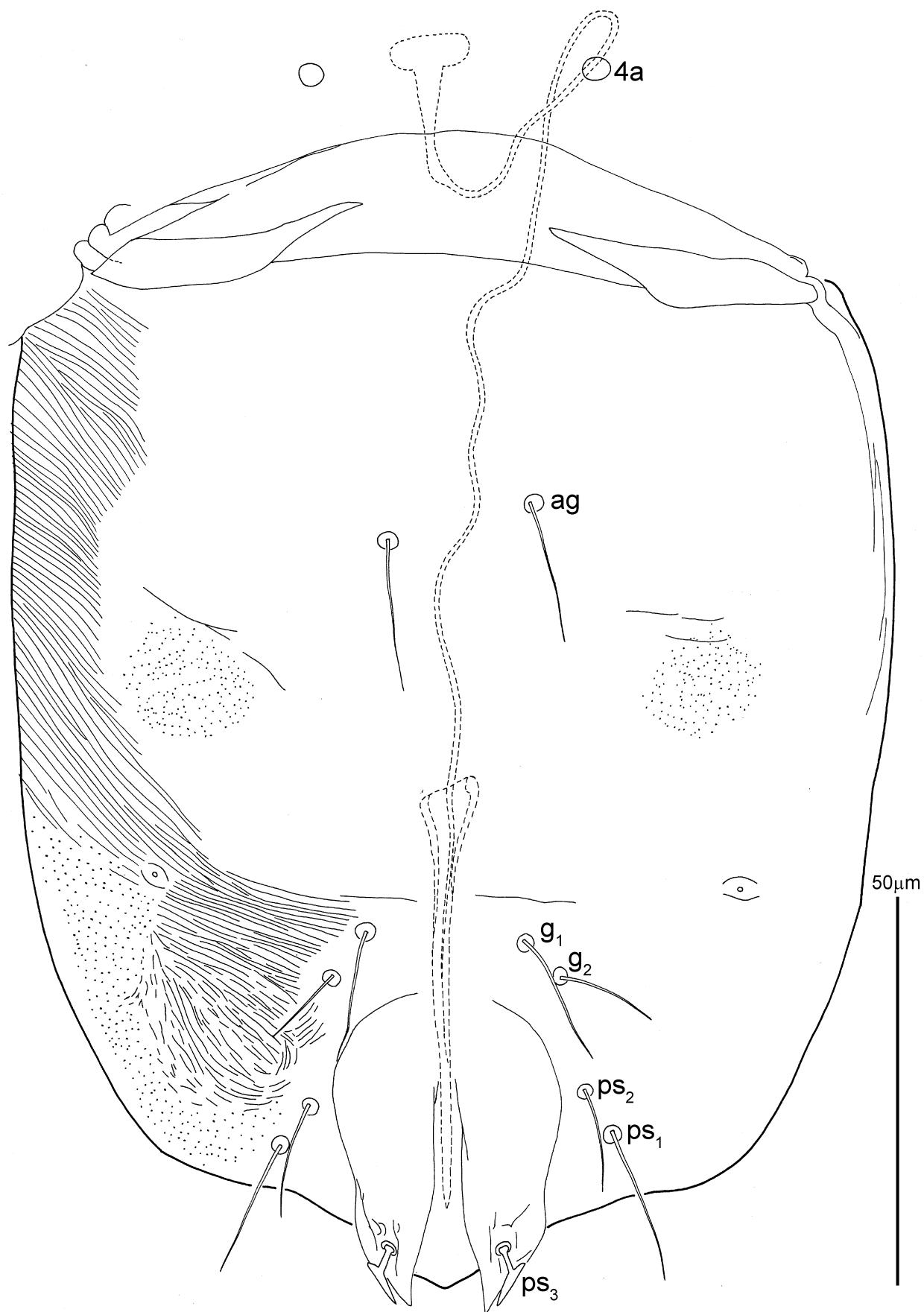


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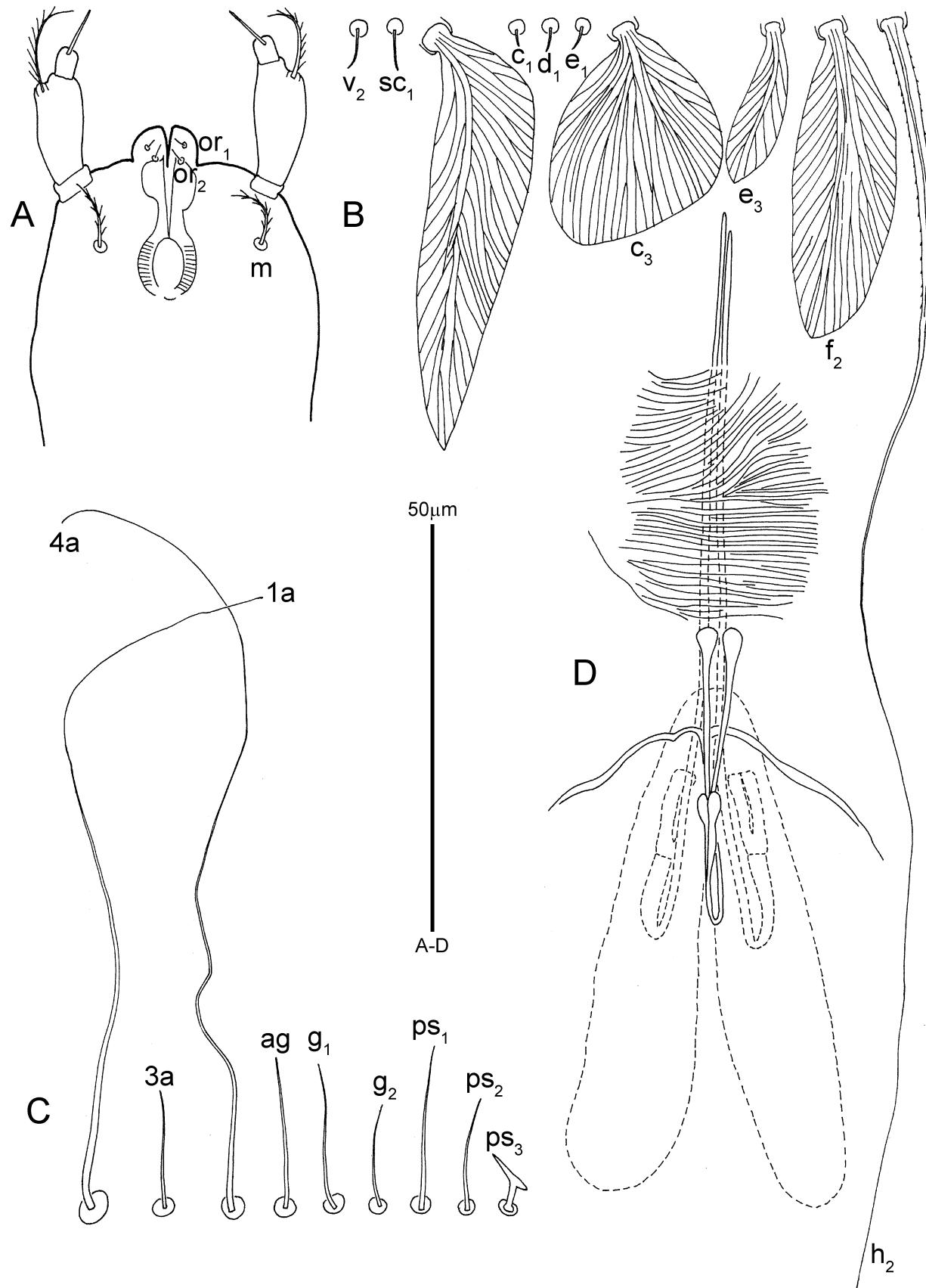


FIGURE 62. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (male). A, subcapitulum; B, dorsal setae; C, ventral setae; D, chelicerae and collar.

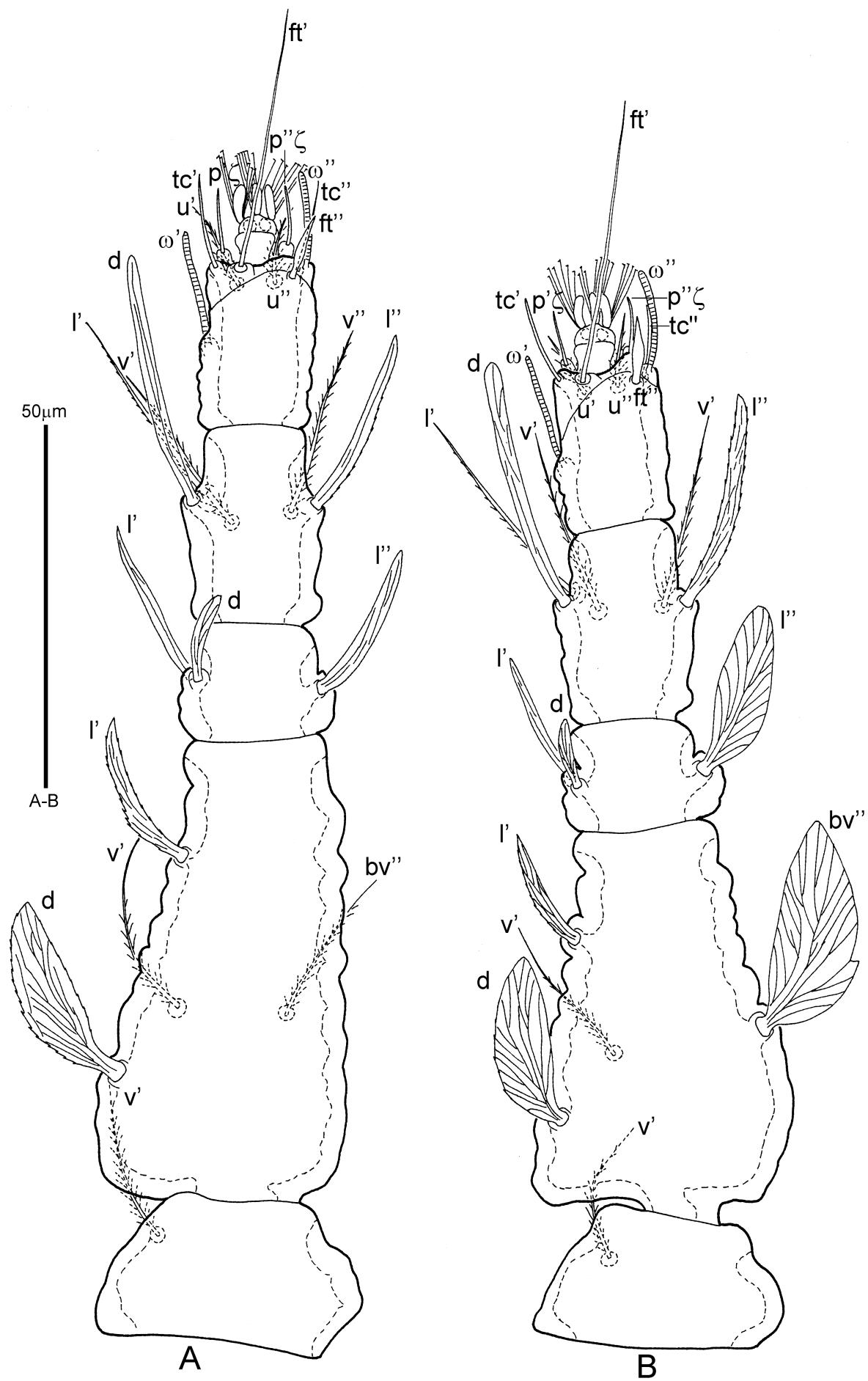


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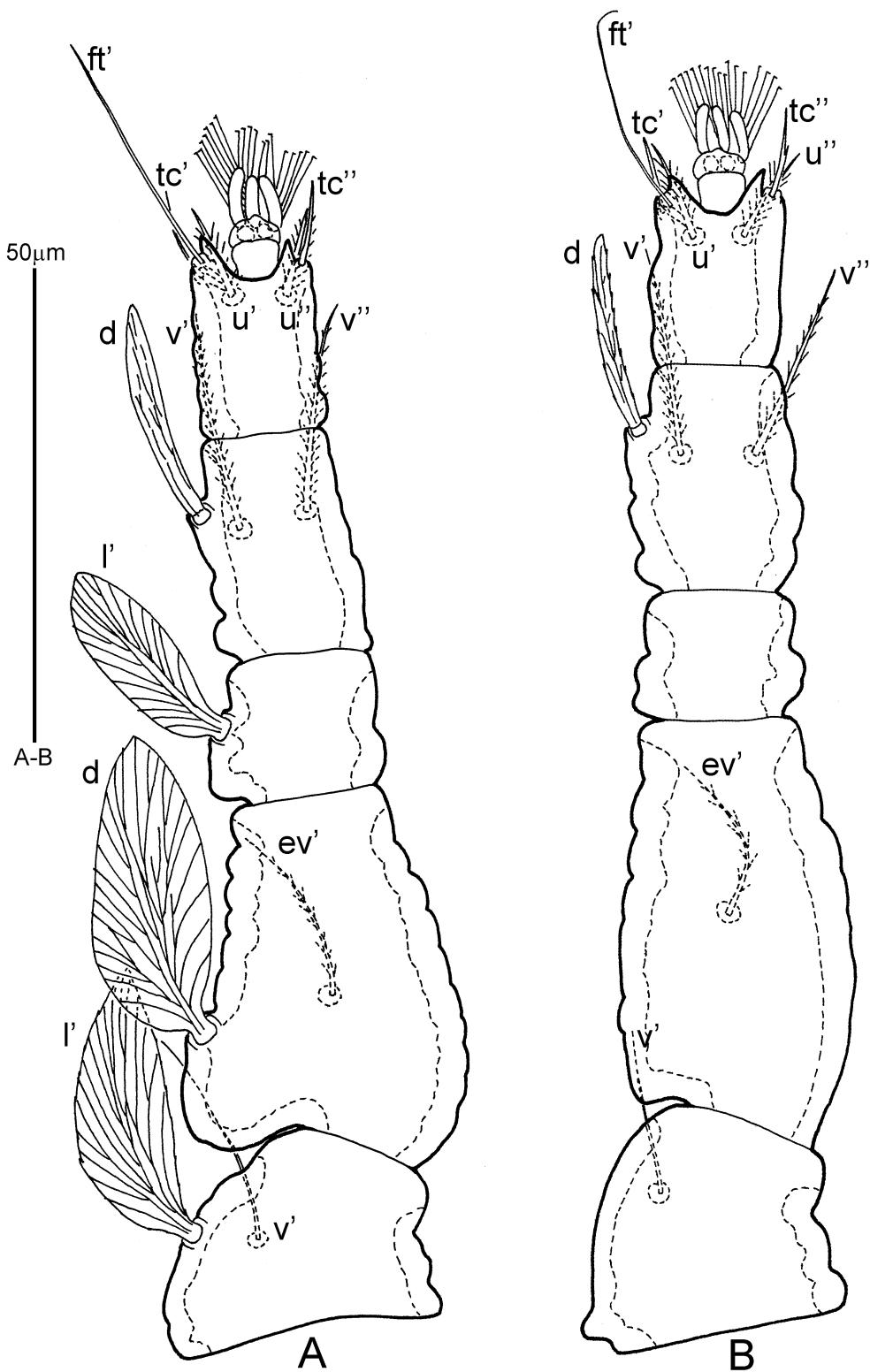


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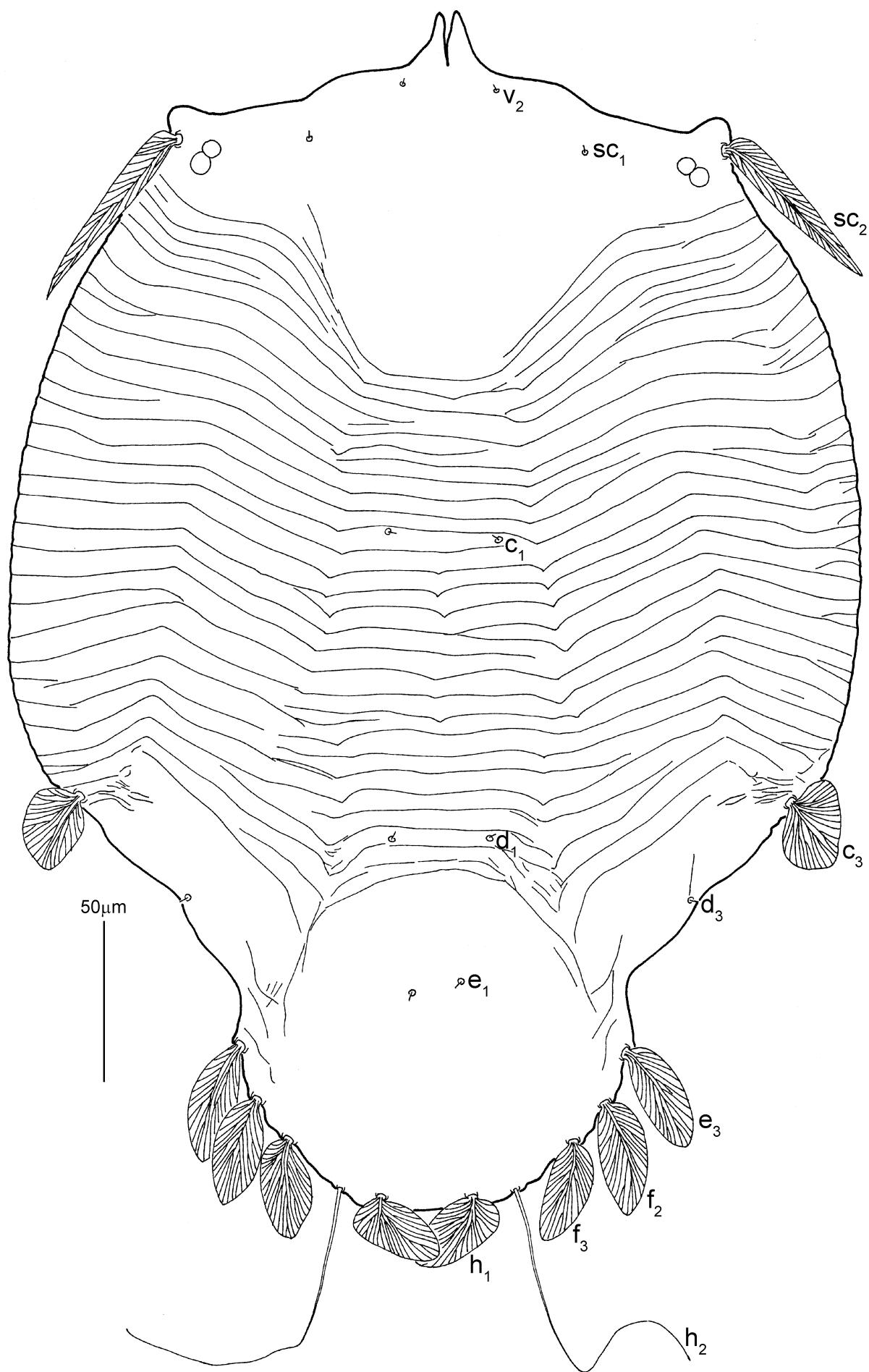


FIGURE 65. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (Deutonymph). Dorsal view of idiosoma.

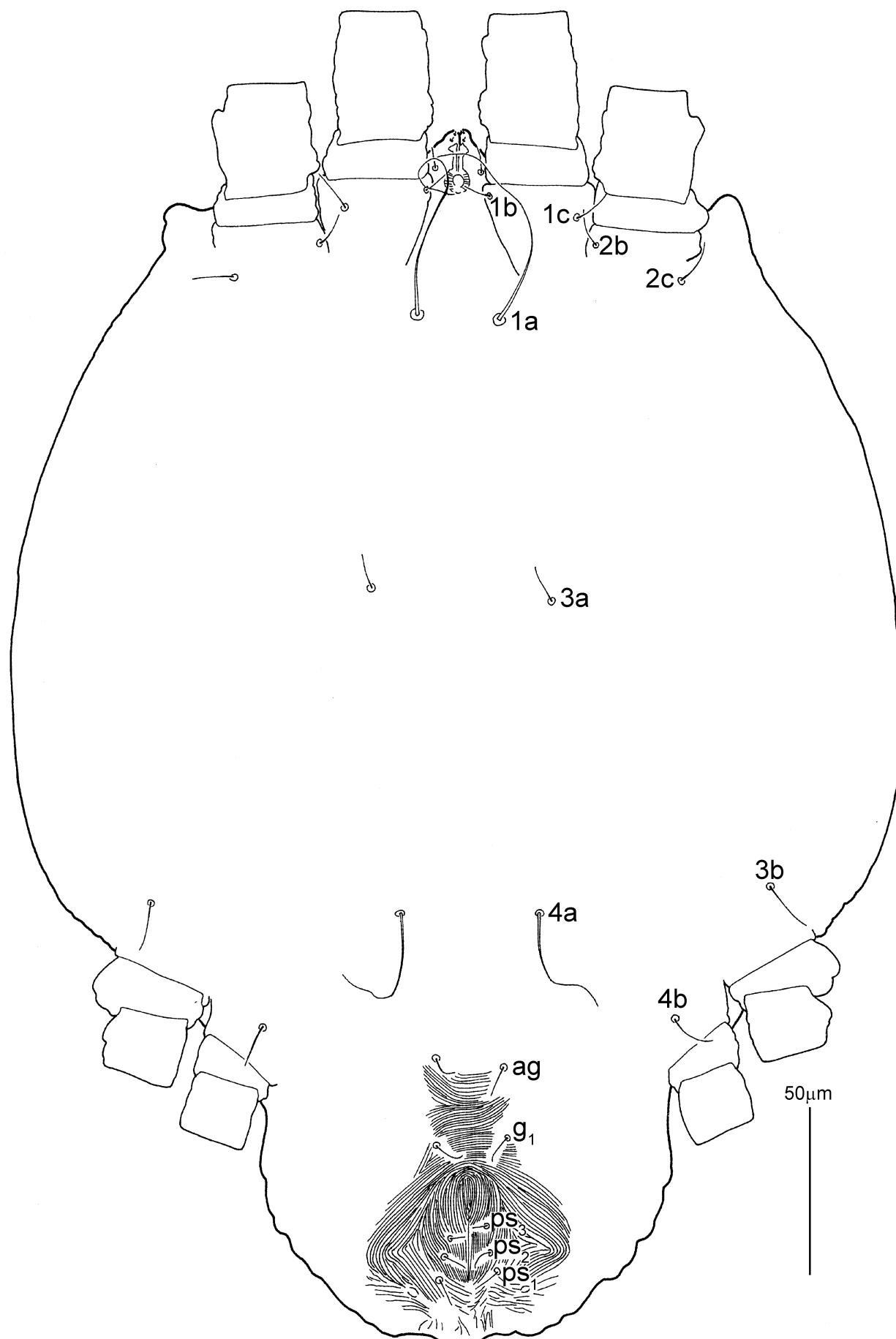


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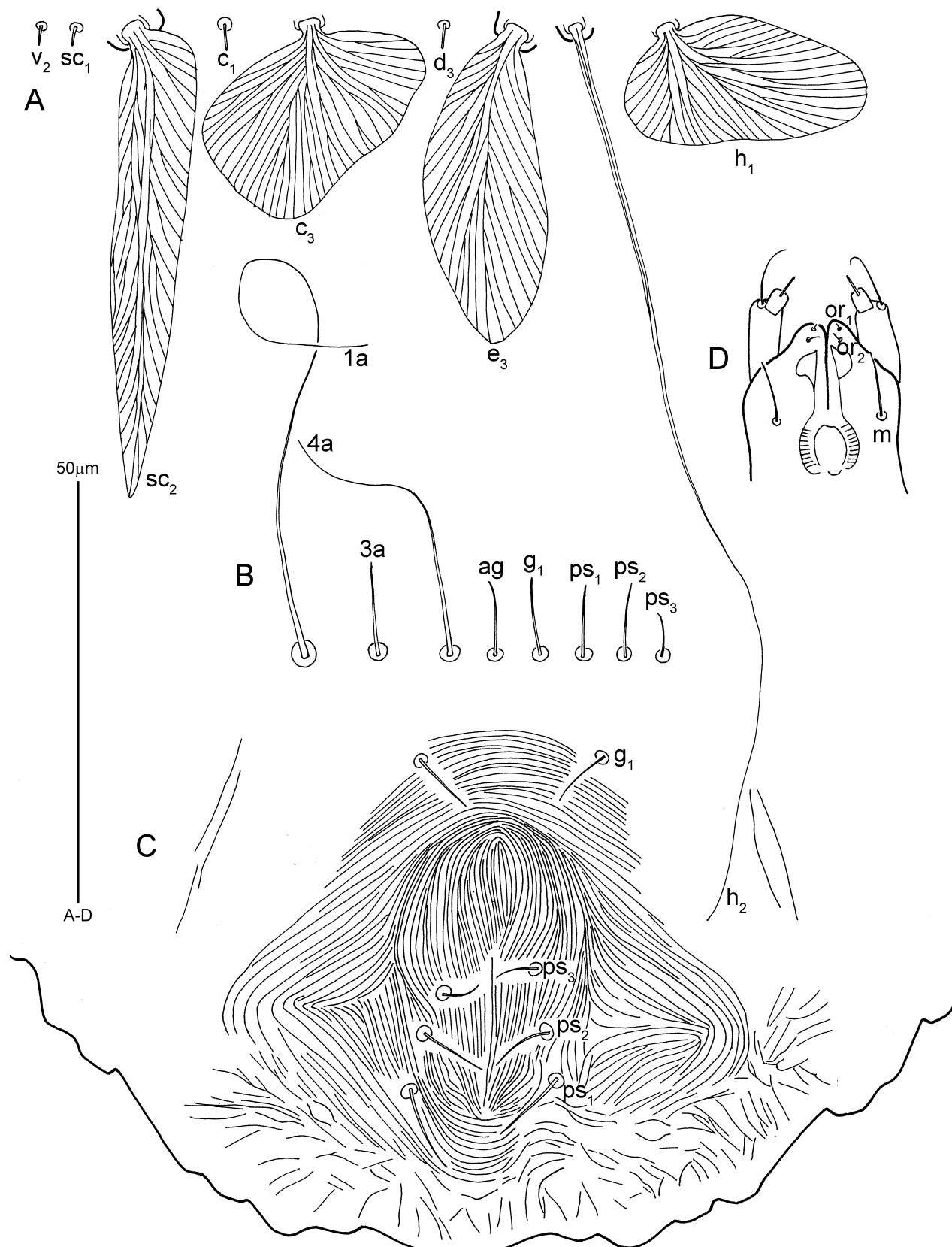


FIGURE 67. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (Deutonymph). A, dorsal setae; B, ventral setae; C, genitoanal area; D, subcapitulum.

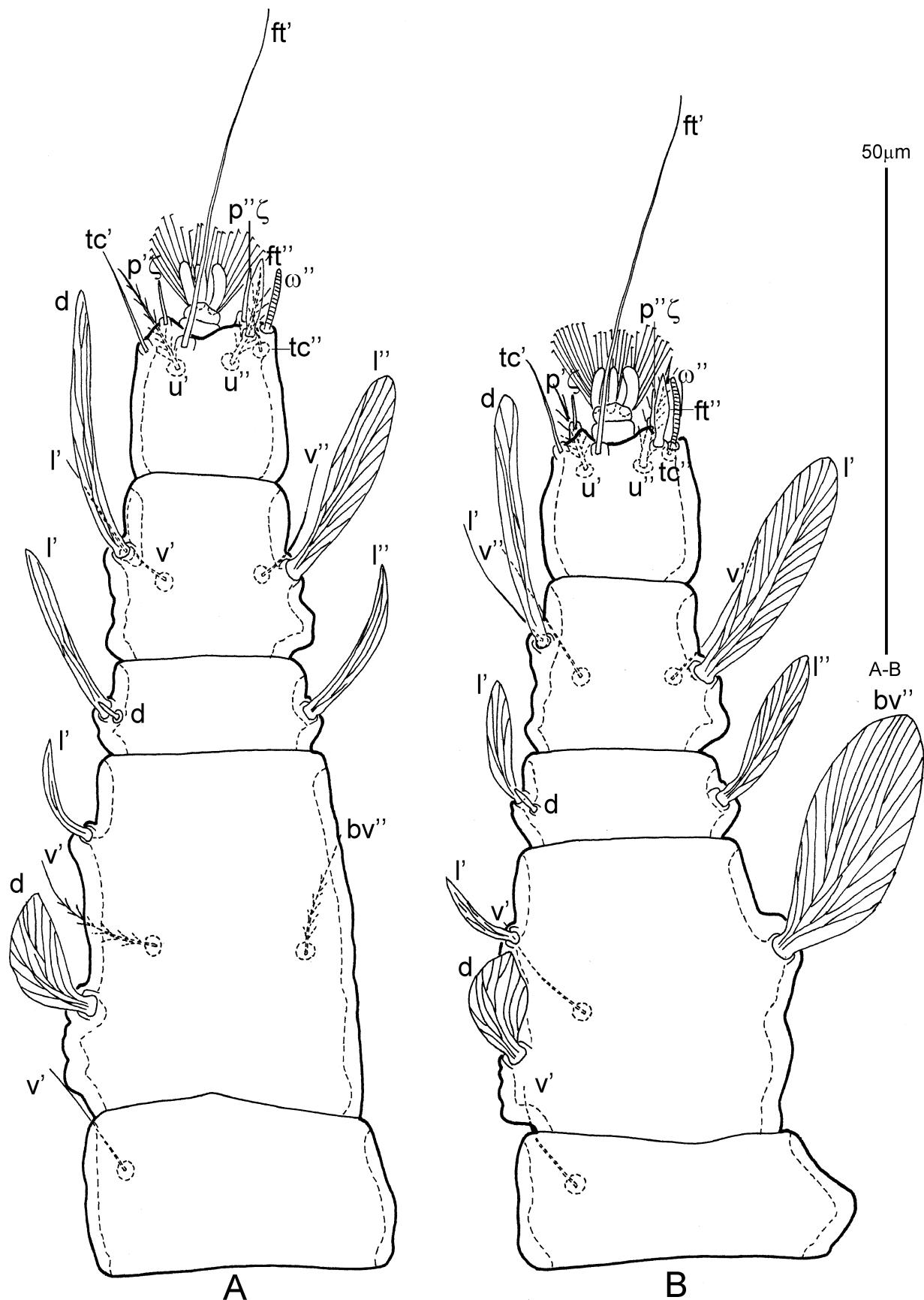


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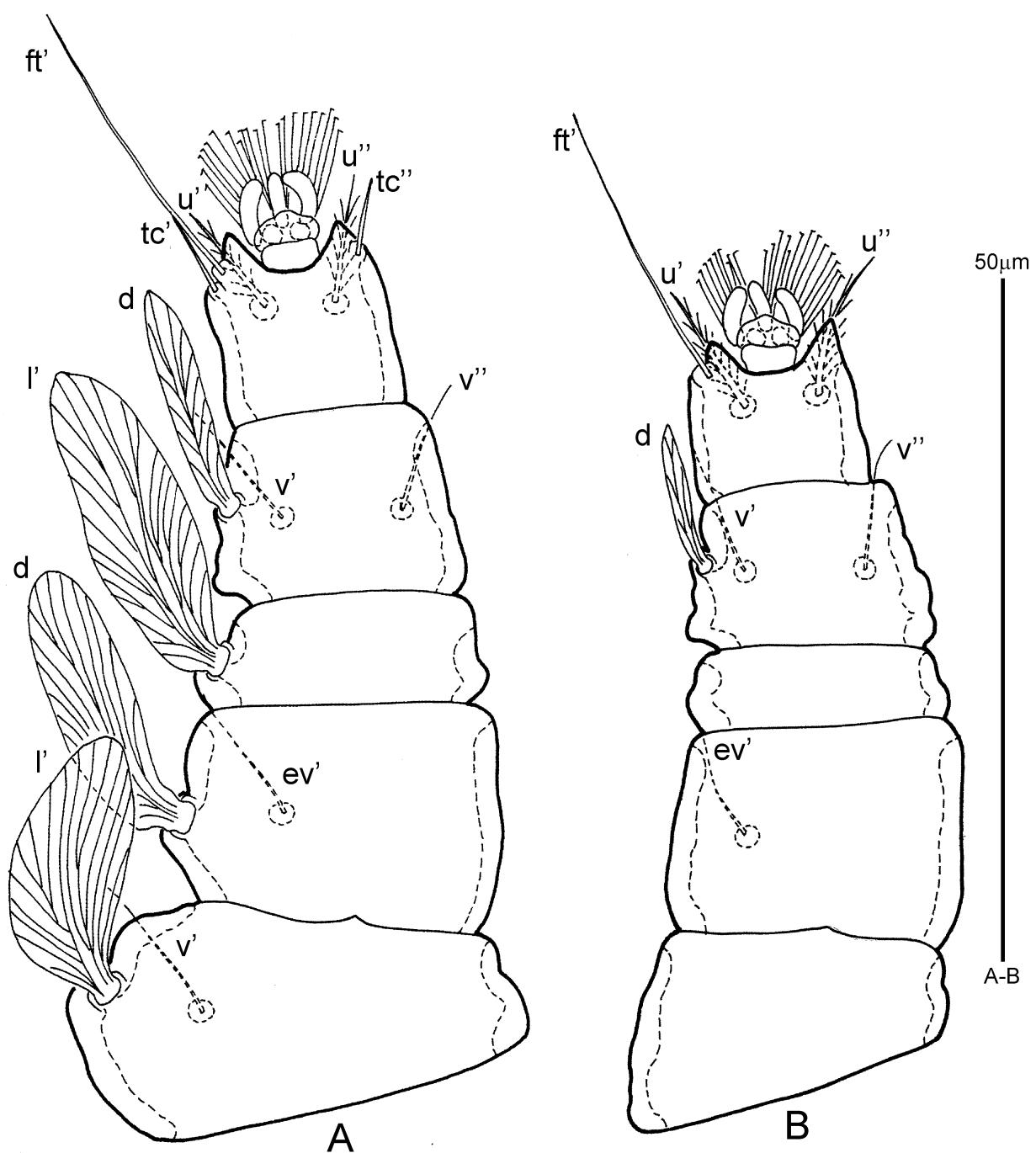


FIGURE 69. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (Deutonymph). A, leg III; B, leg IV.

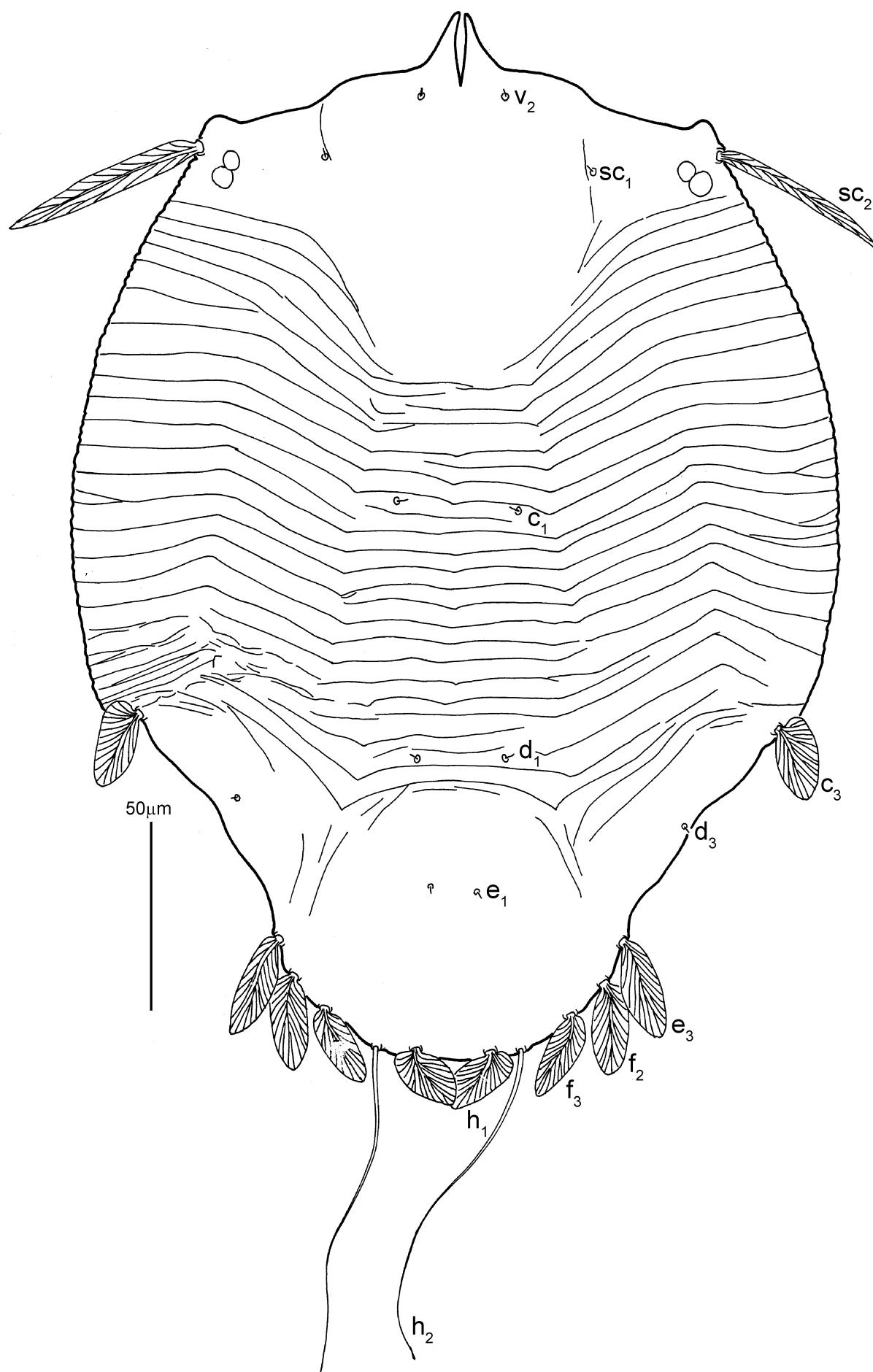


FIGURE 70. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (Protonymph). Dorsal view of idiosoma.

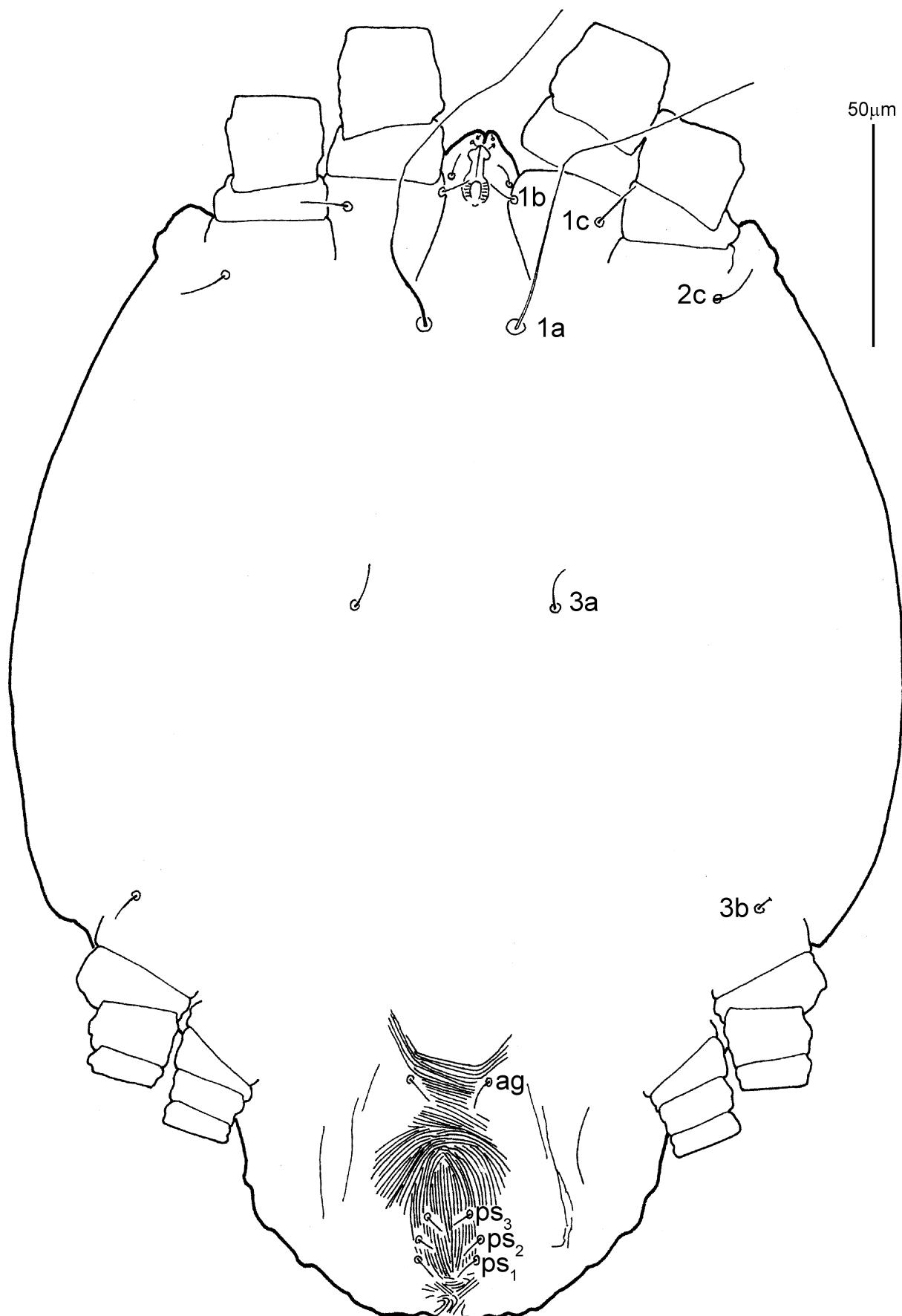


FIGURE 71. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (Protonymph). Ventral view of idiosoma.

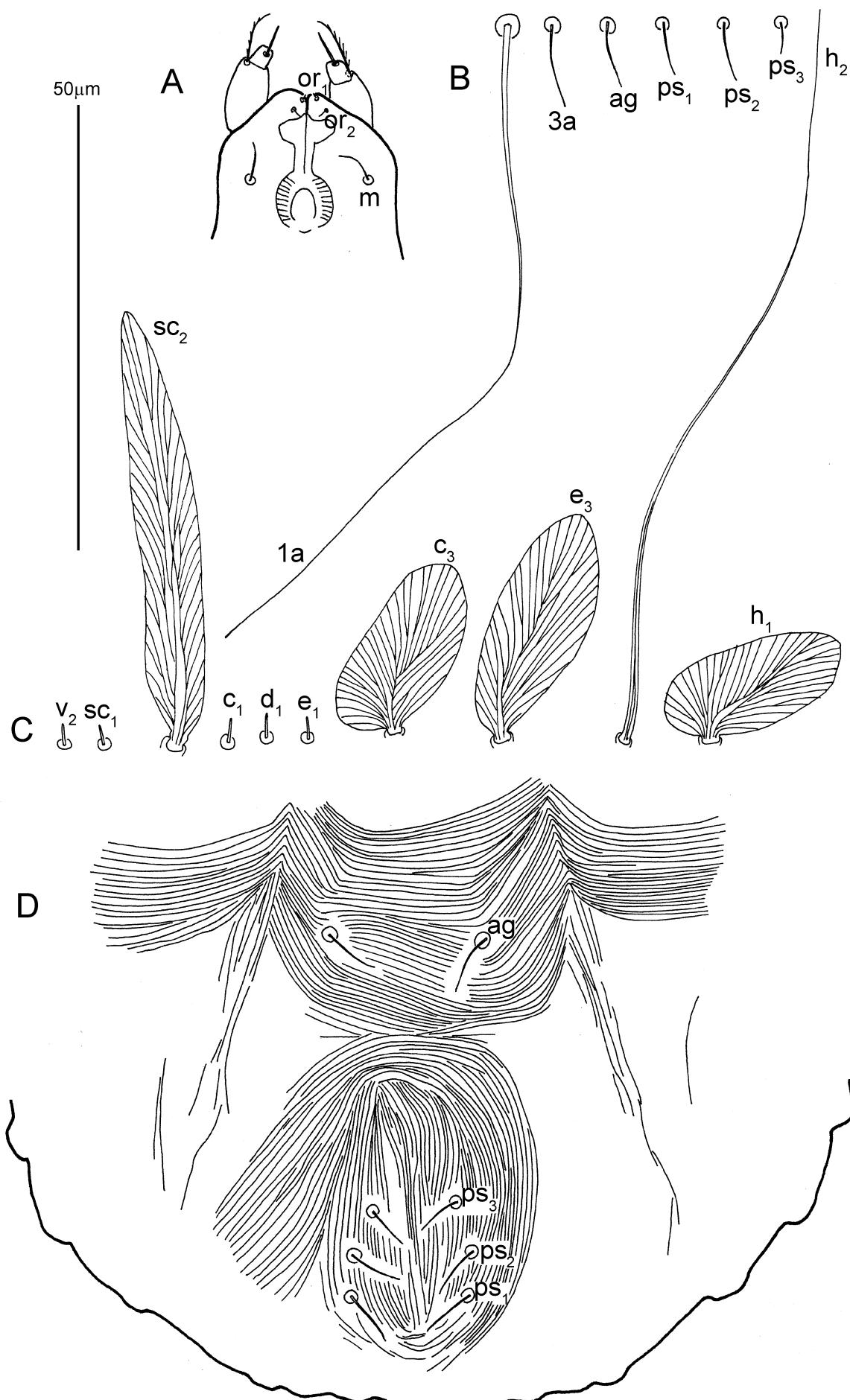


FIGURE 72. *Tenuipalpus mahoensis* Collyer (Protonymph). A, subcapitulum; B, ventral setae; C, dorsal setae; D, genitoanal area.

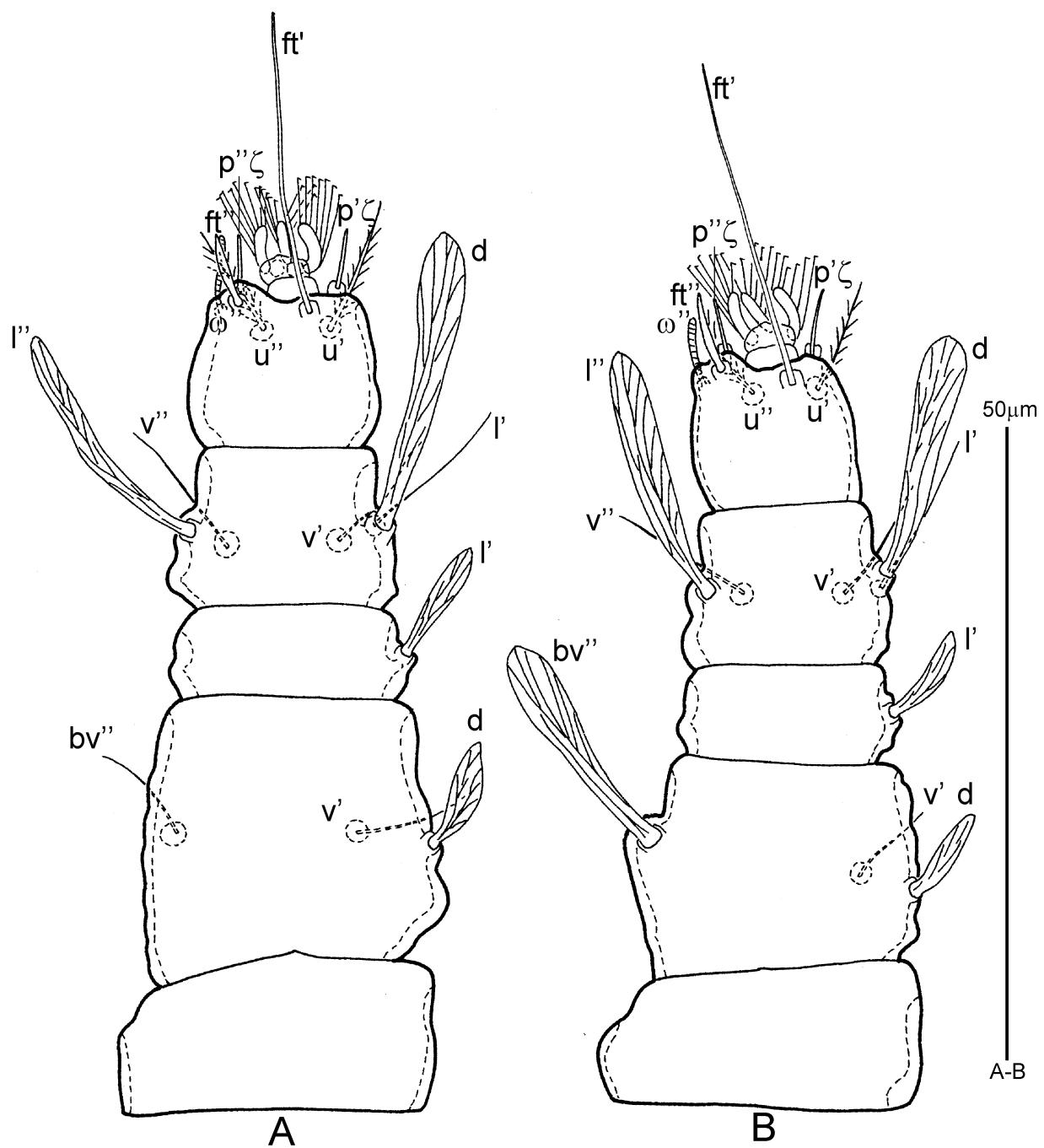


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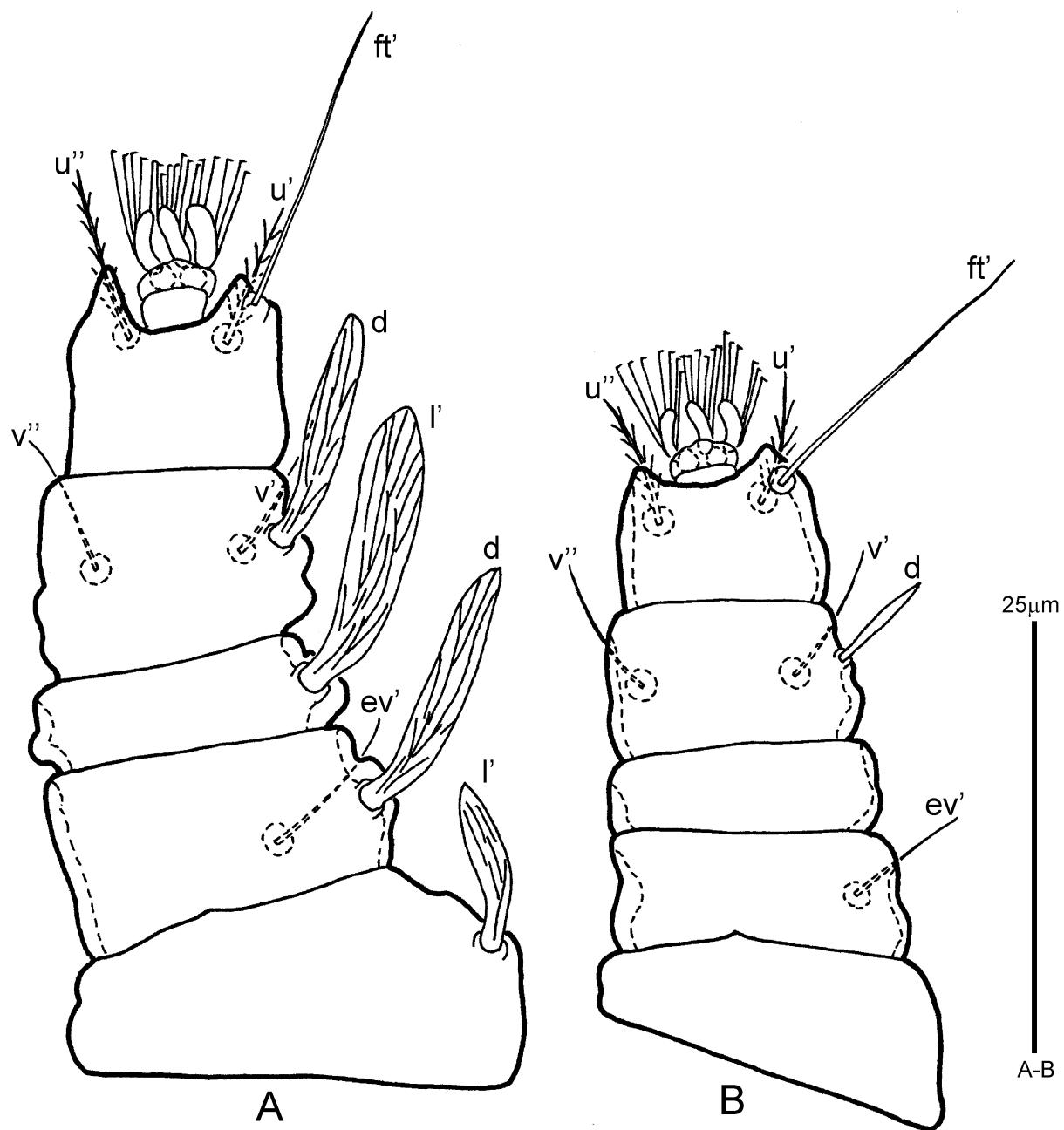


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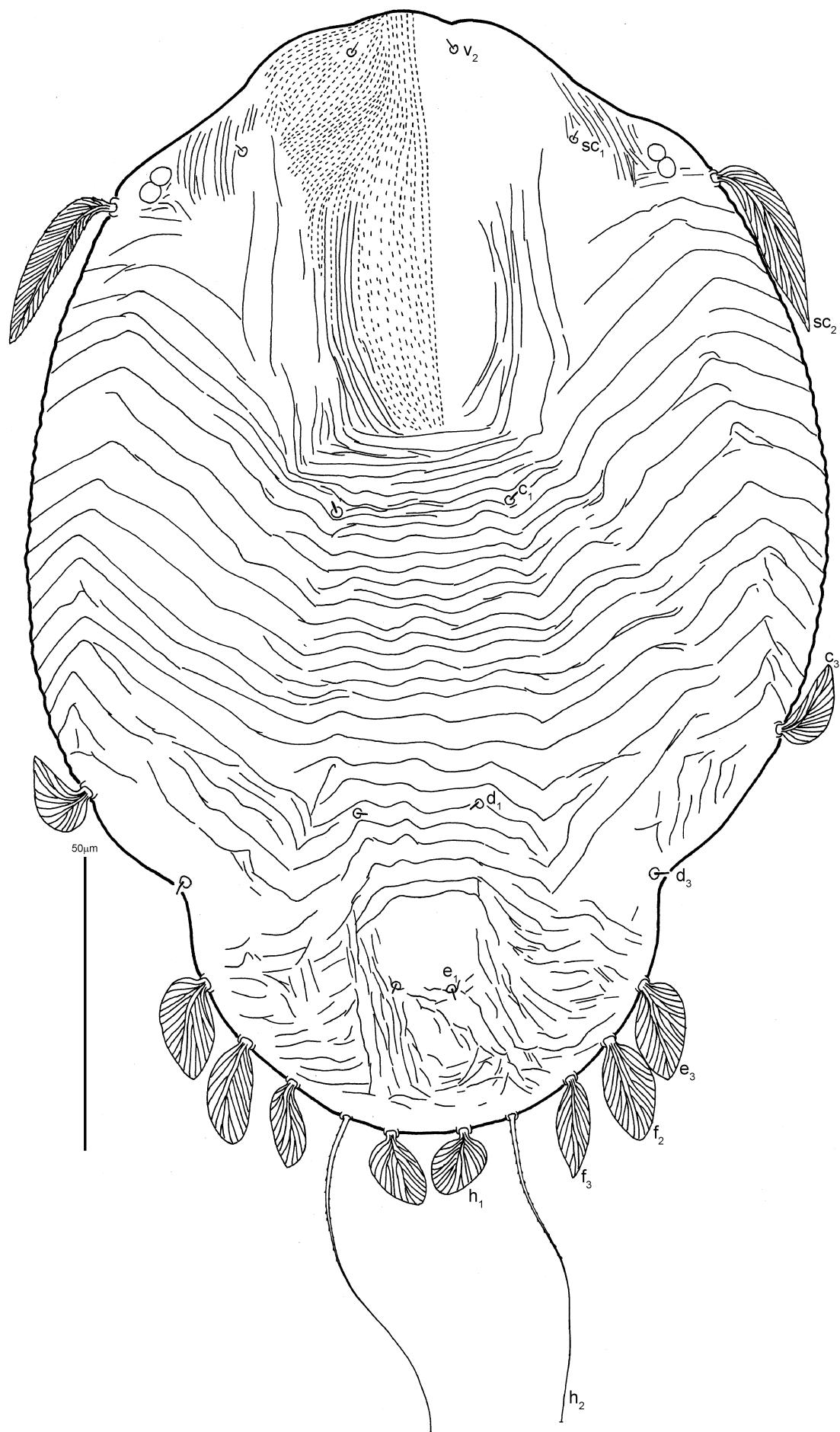


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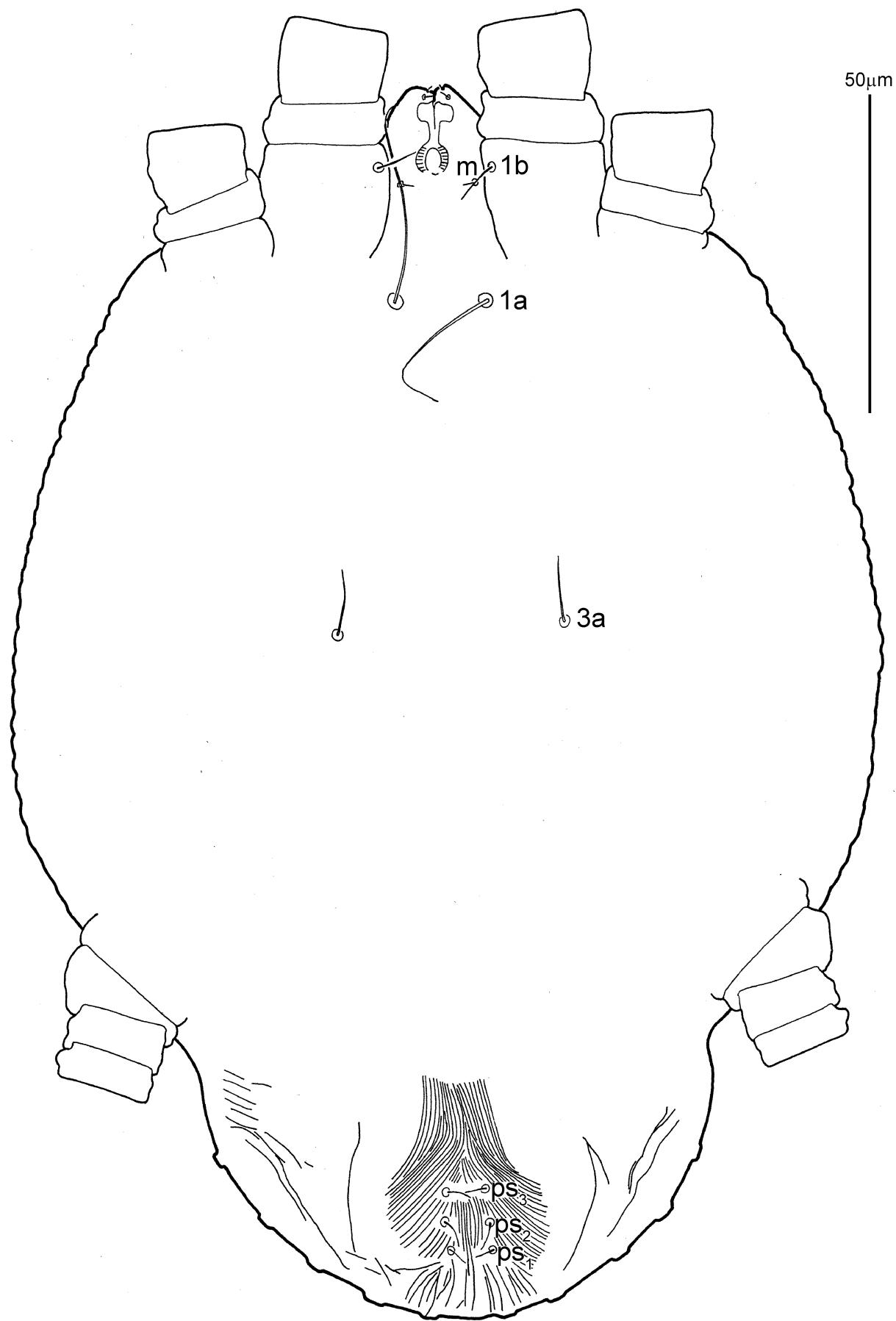


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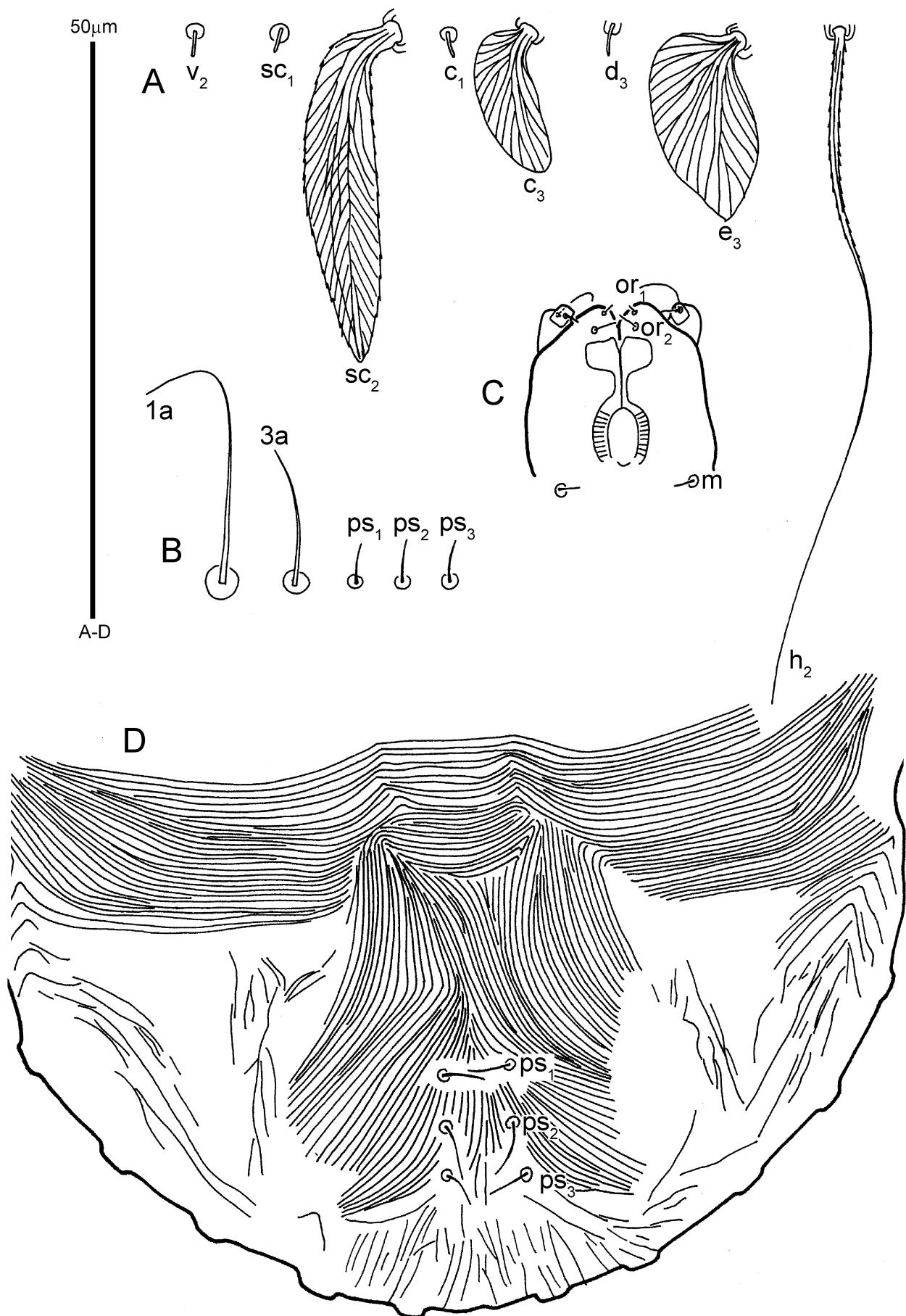


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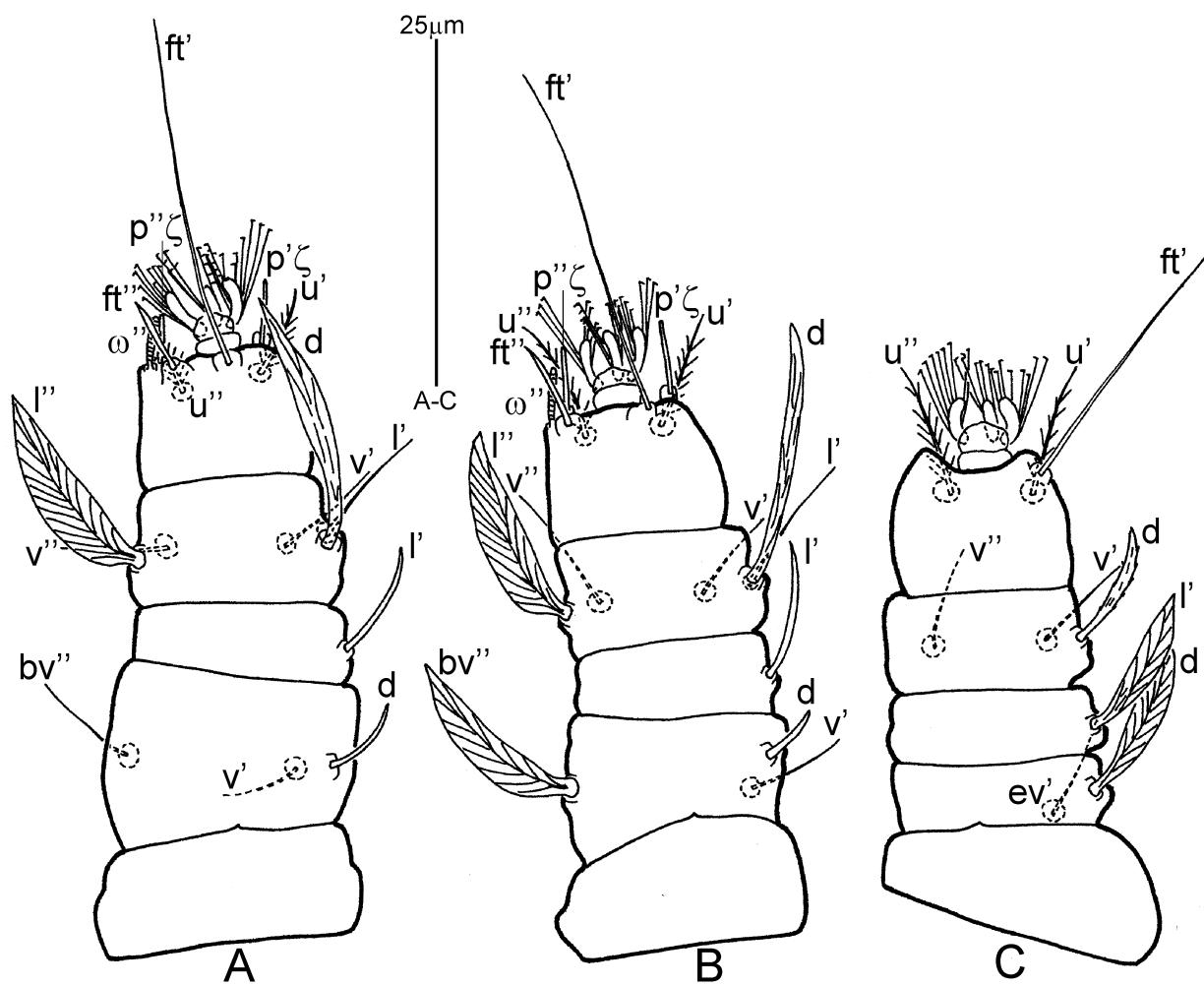


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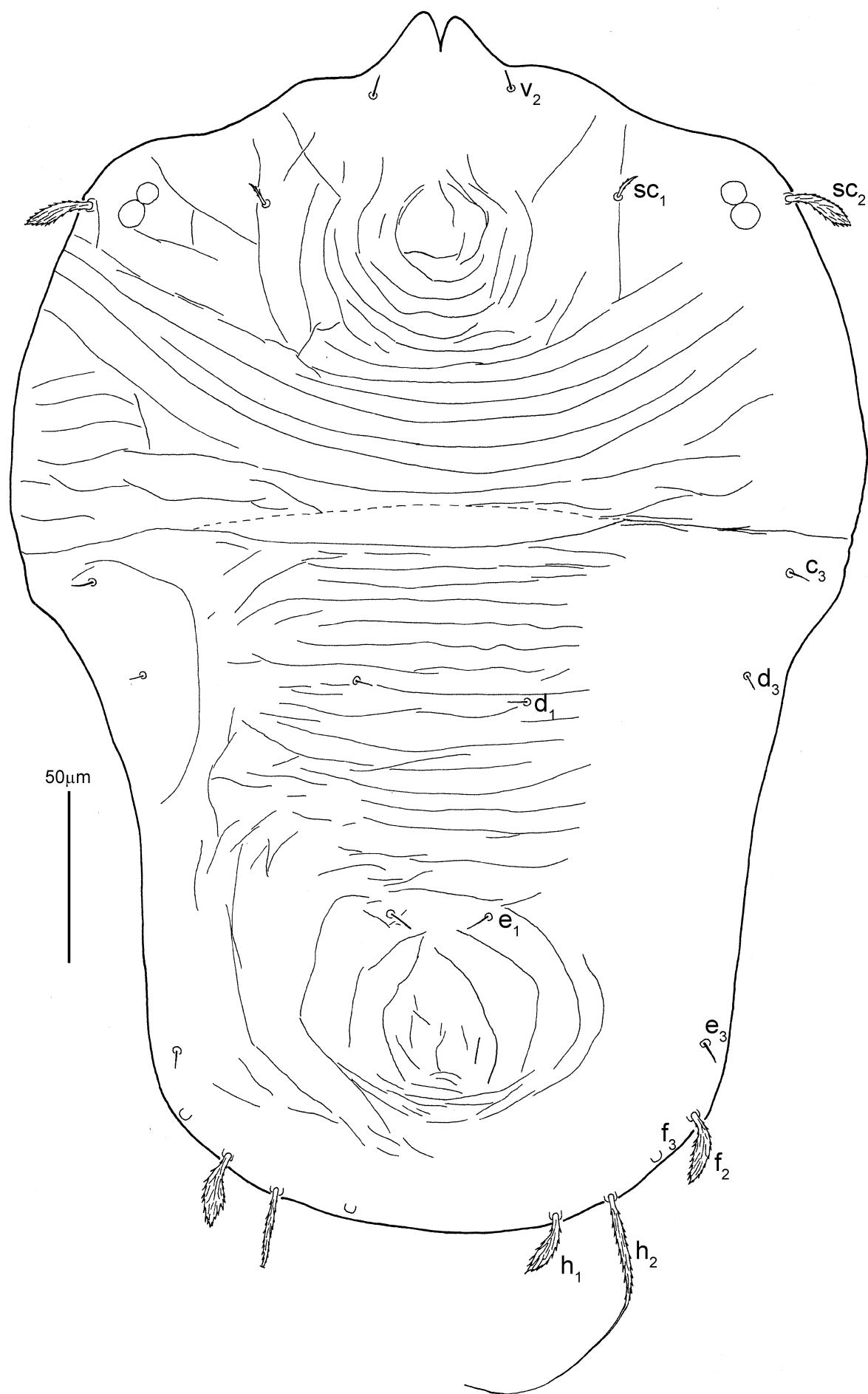


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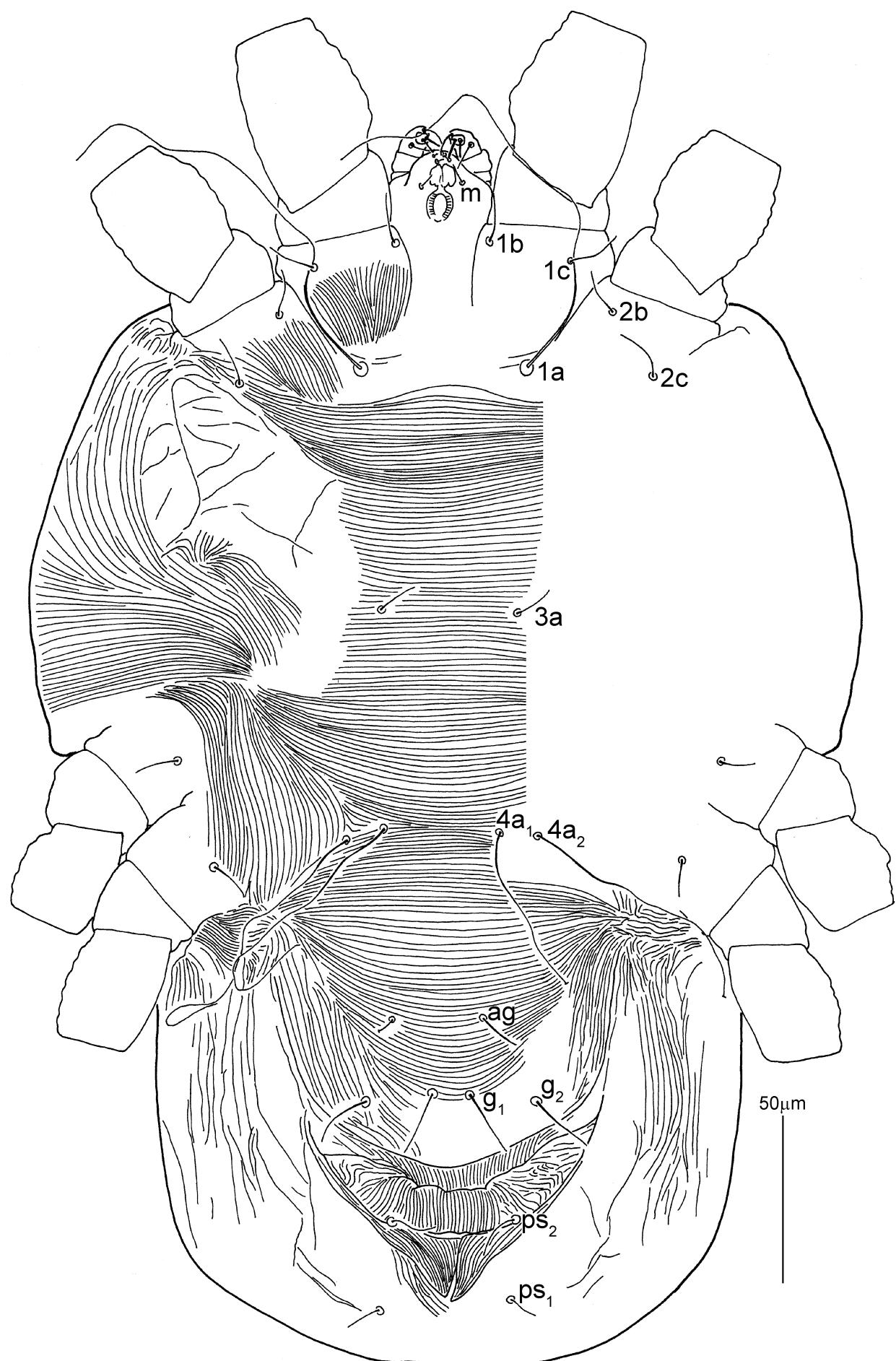


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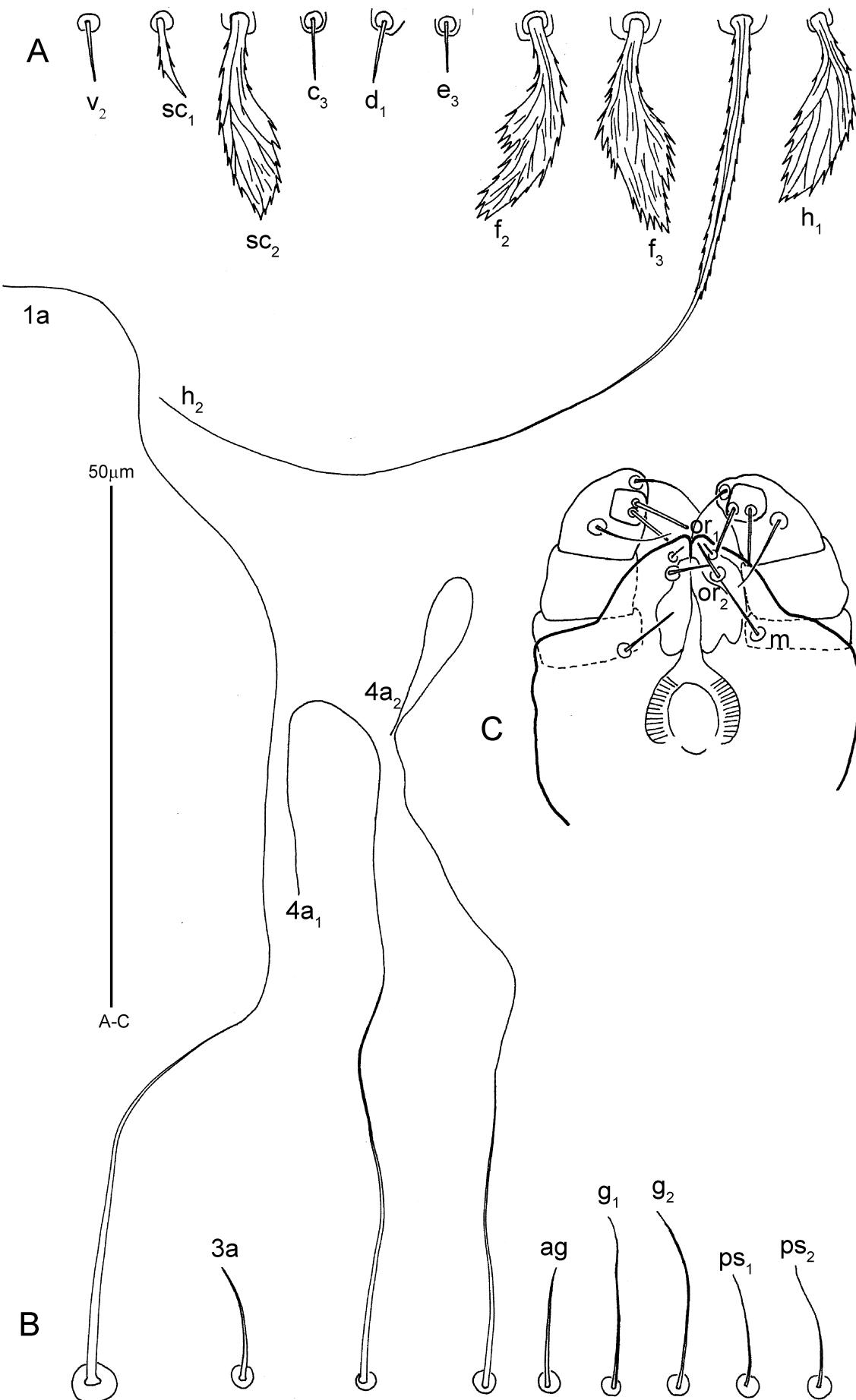


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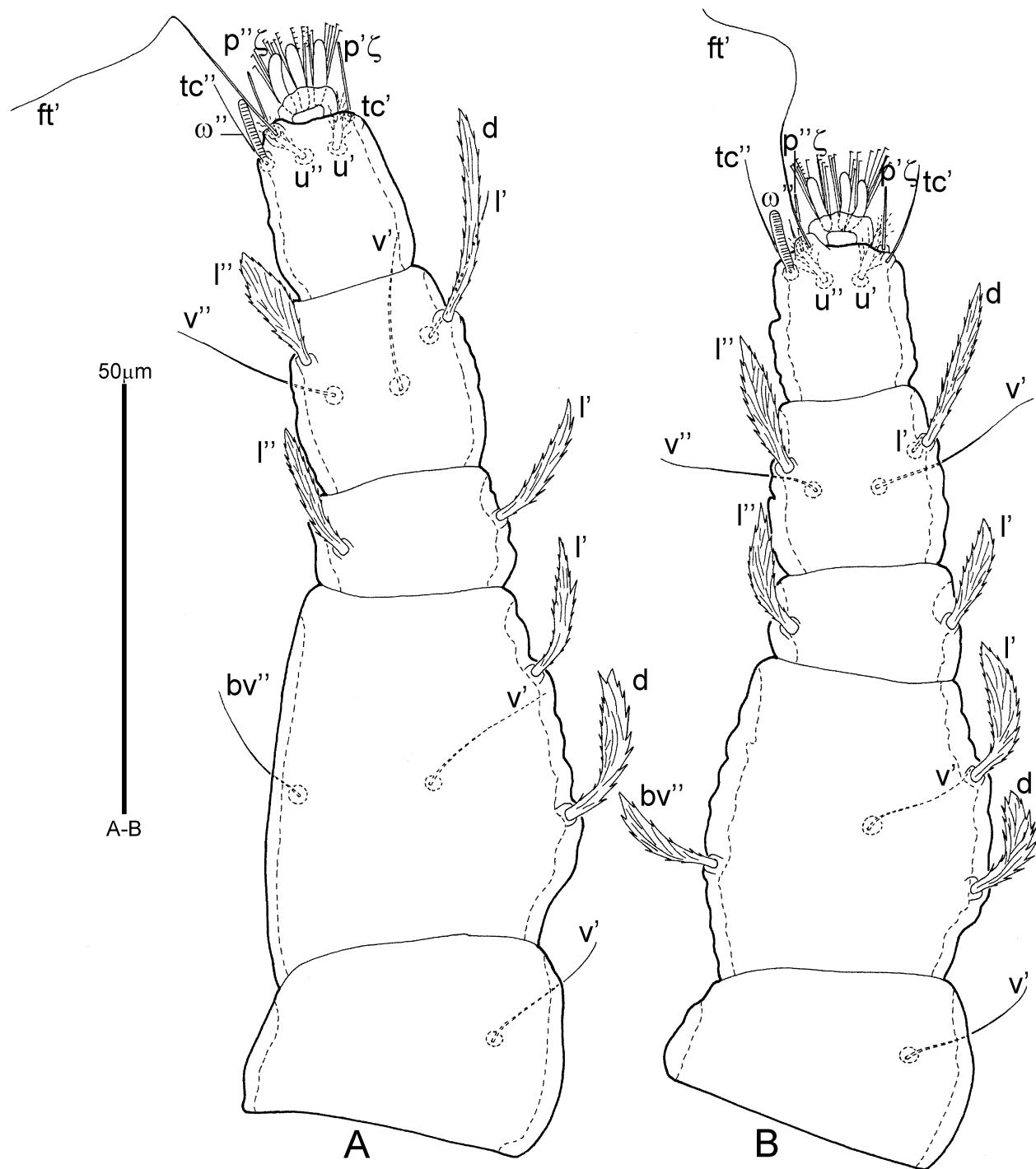


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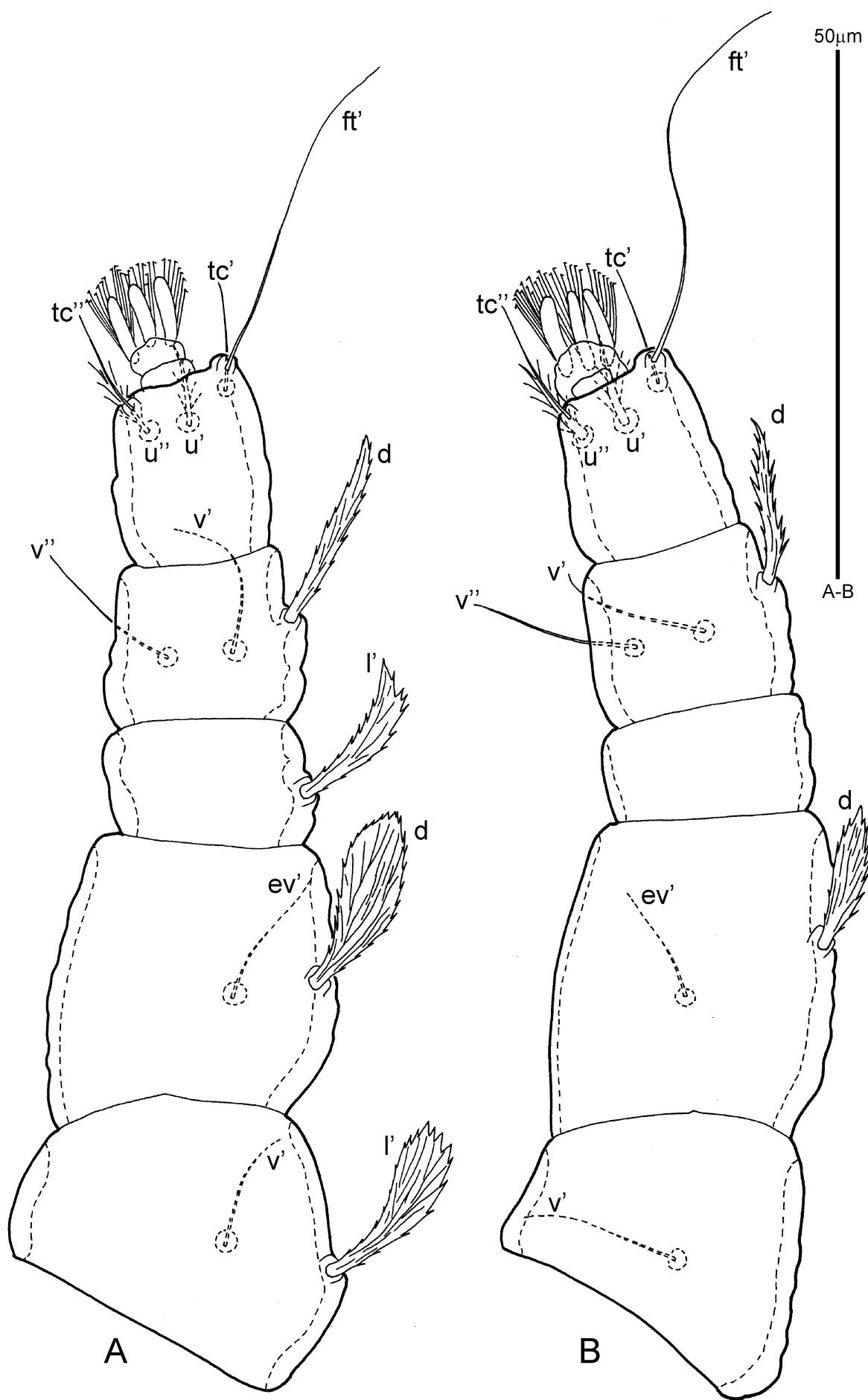


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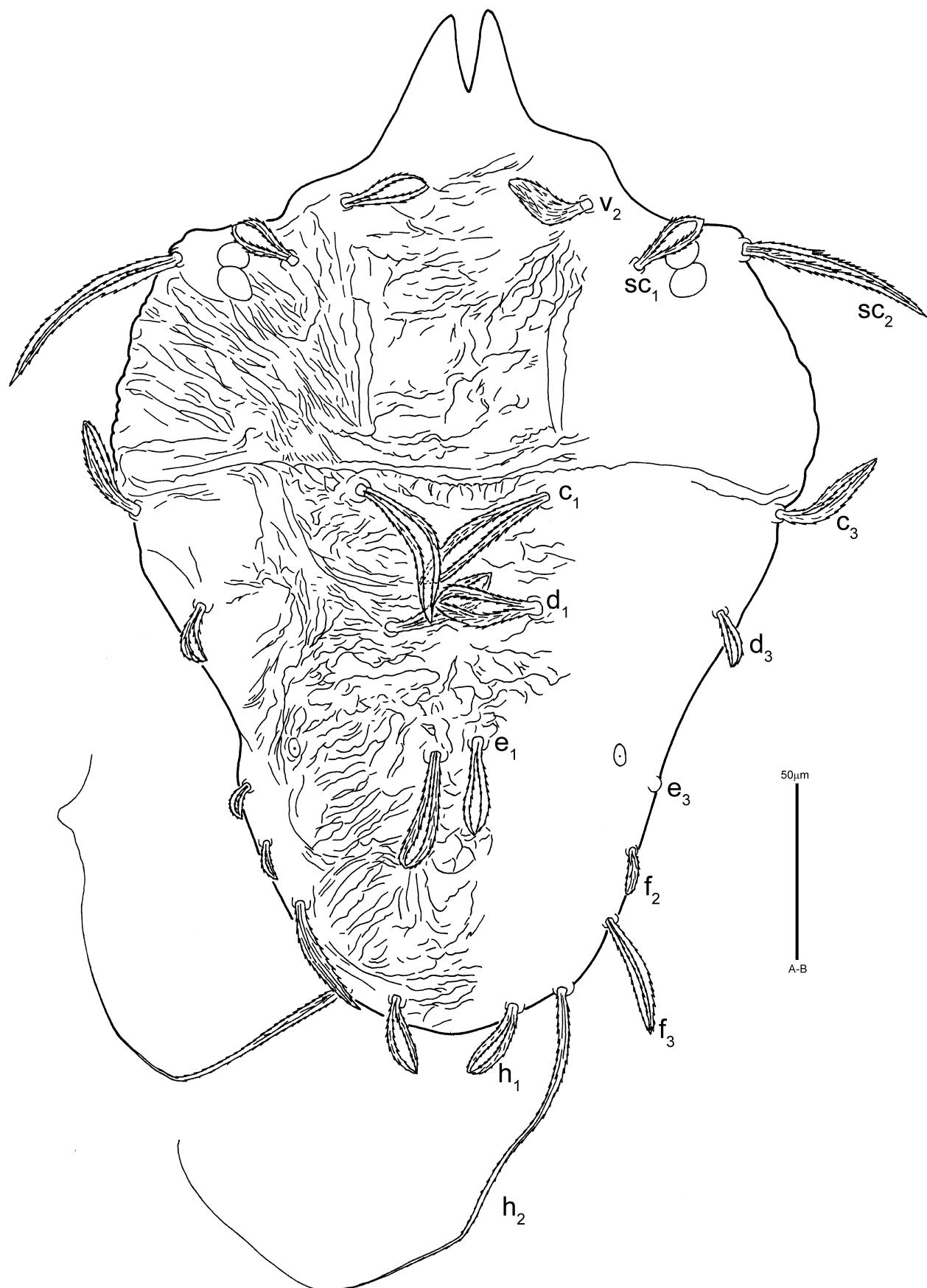


FIGURE 84. *Tenuipalpus rangiorae* Collyer (female). Dorsal view of idiosoma.

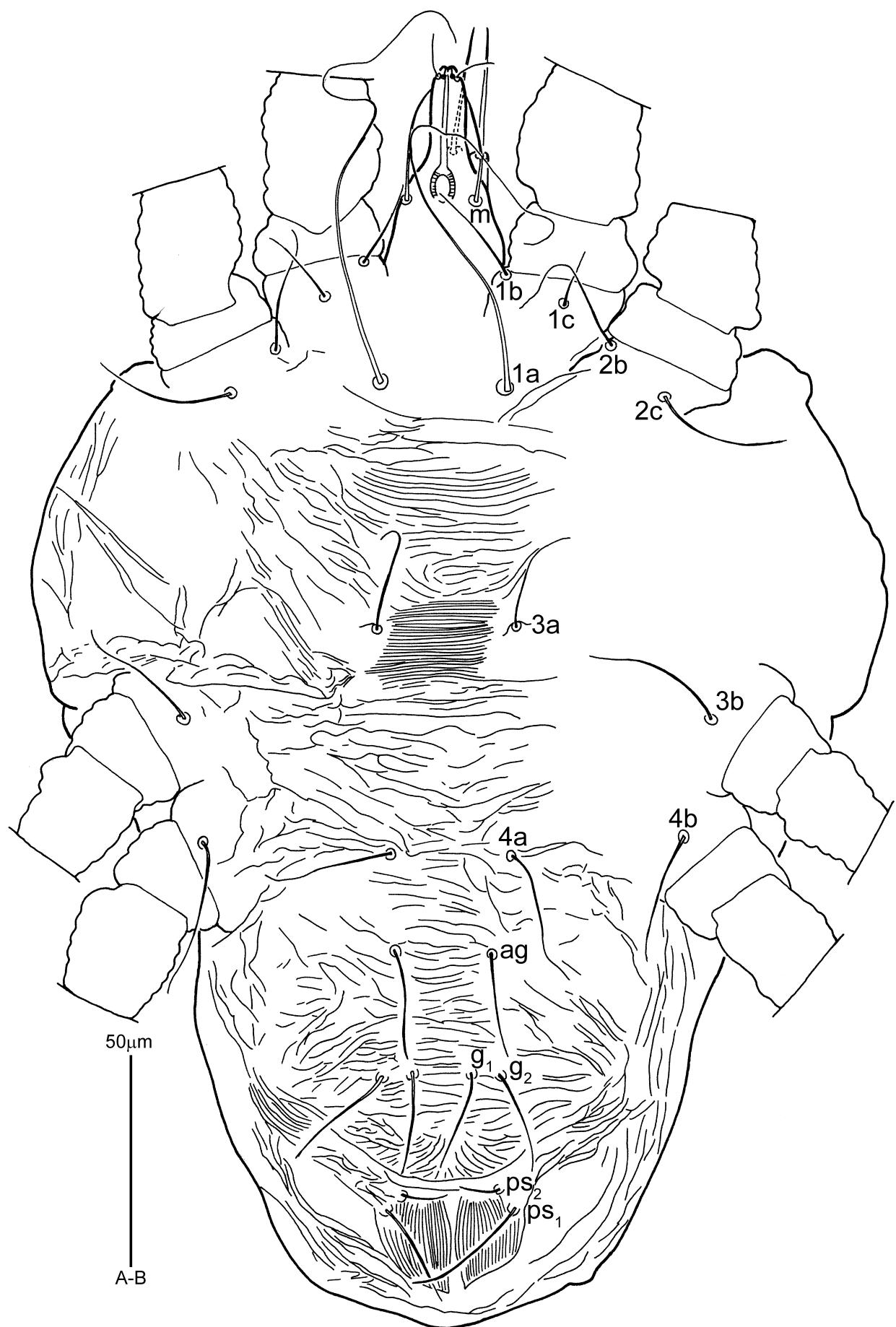


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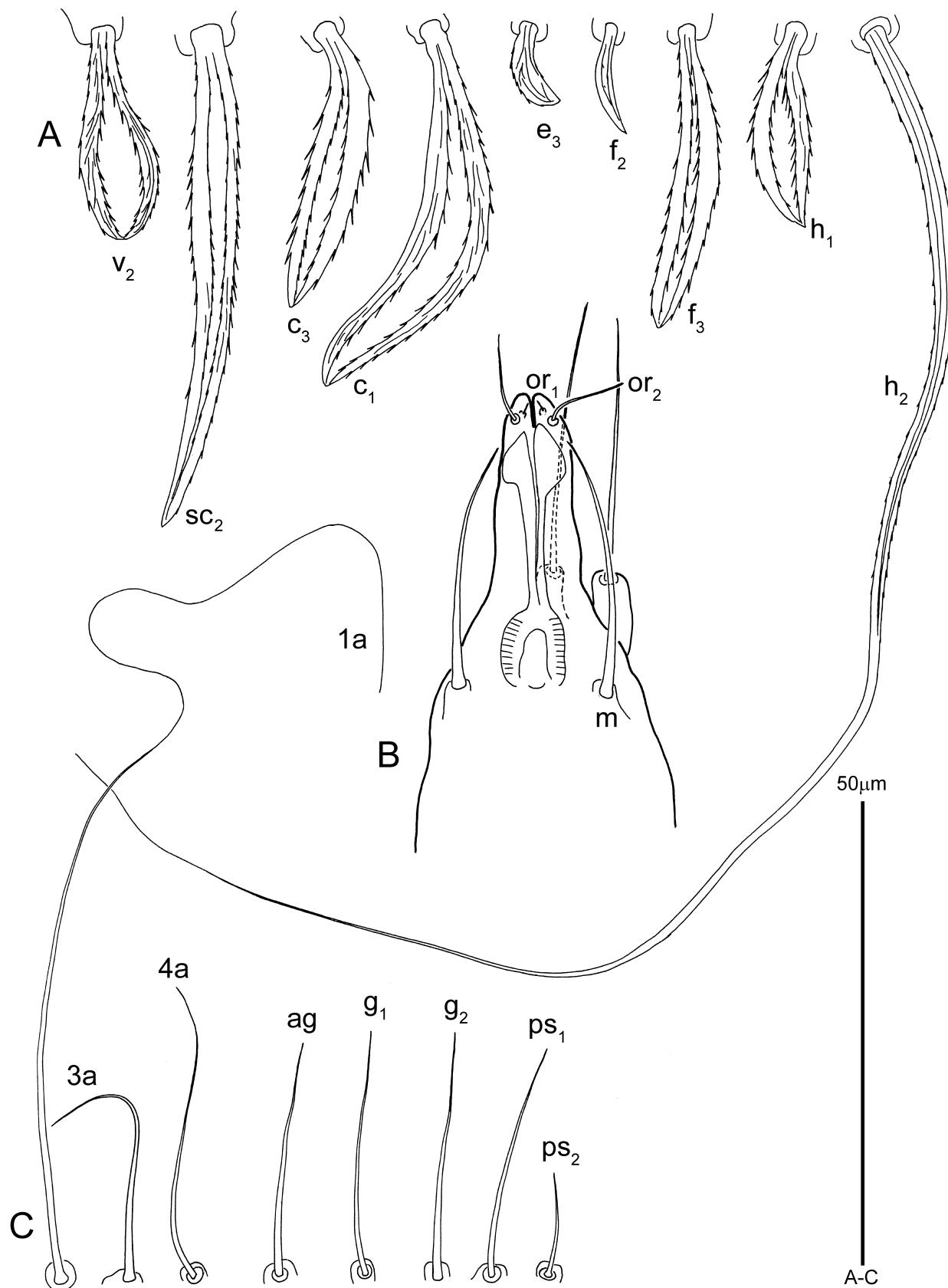


FIGURE 86. *Tenuipalpus rangiorae* Collyer (female). A, dorsal setae; B, subcapitulum; C, ventral setae.

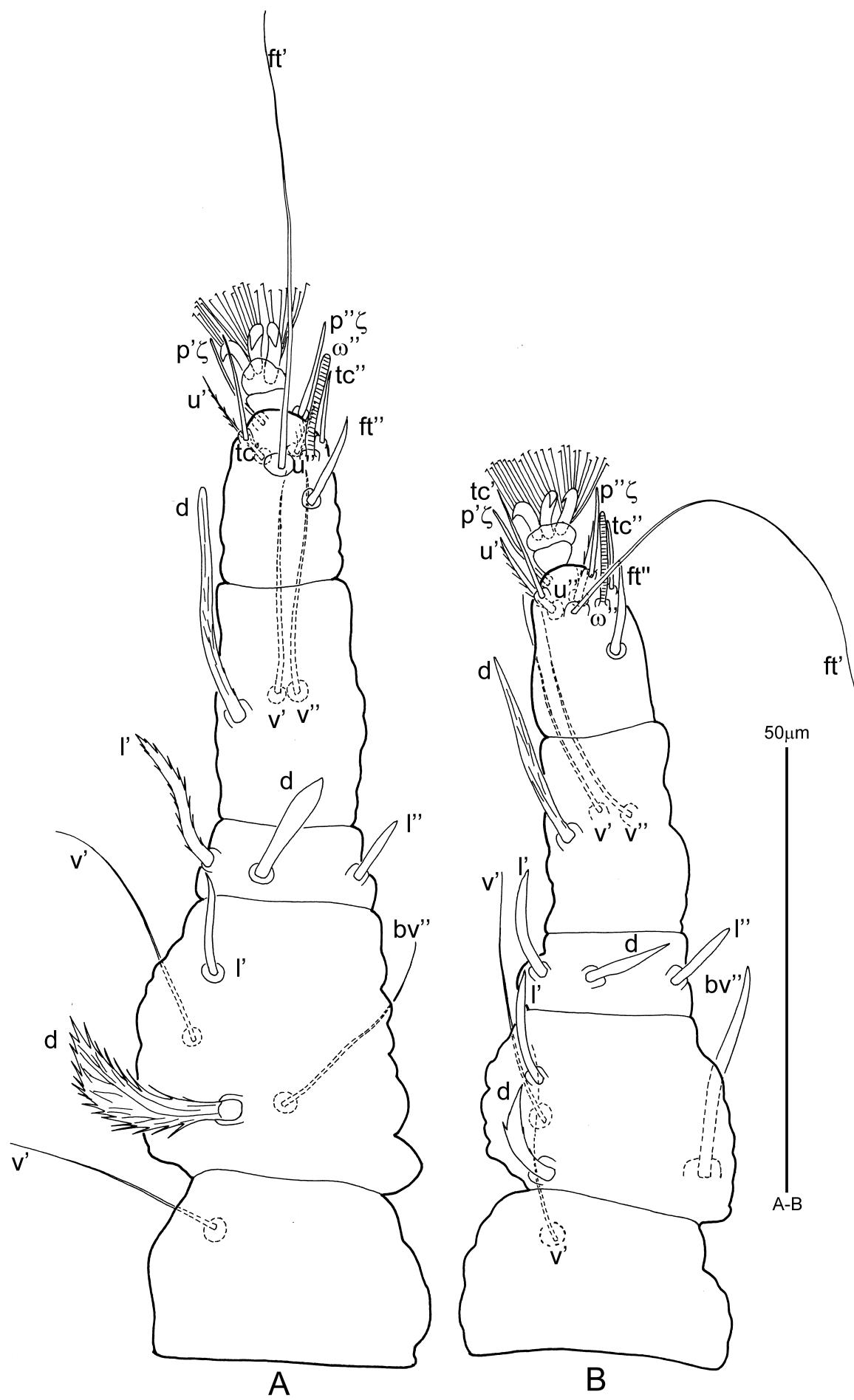


FIGURE 87. *Tenuipalpus rangiorae* Collyer (female). A, leg I; B, leg II.

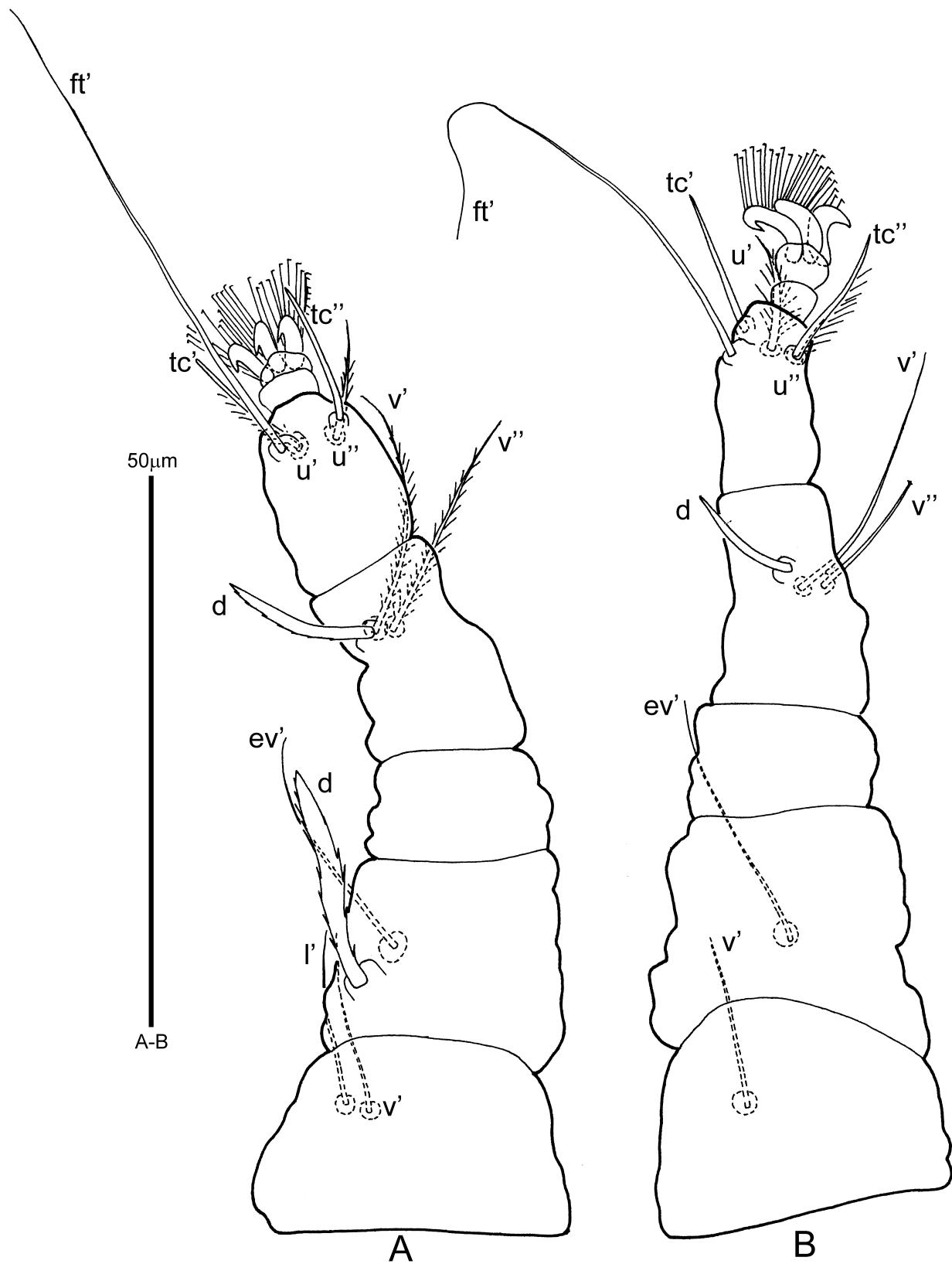


FIGURE 88. *Tenuipalpus rangiorae* Collyer (female). A, leg III; B, leg IV.

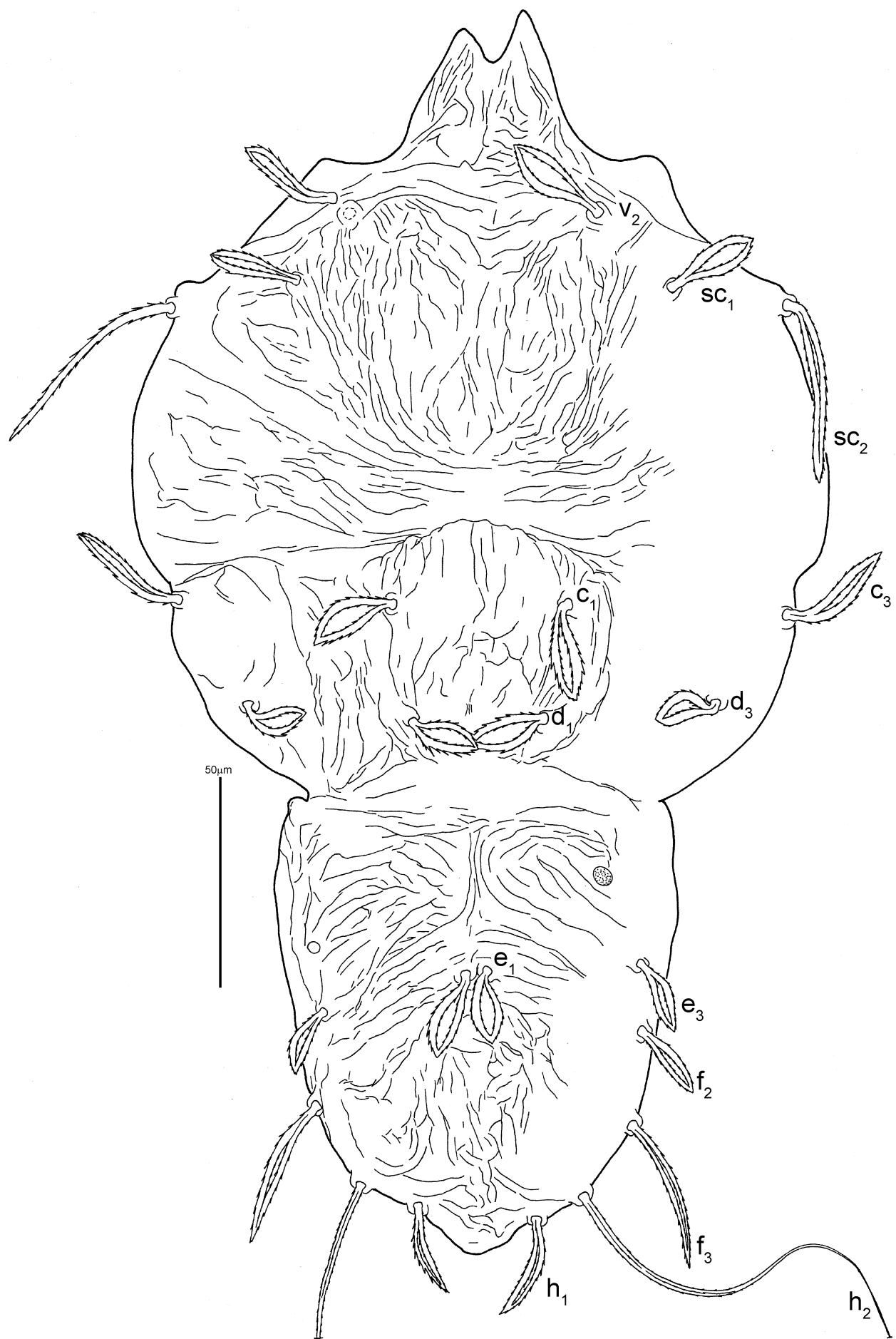


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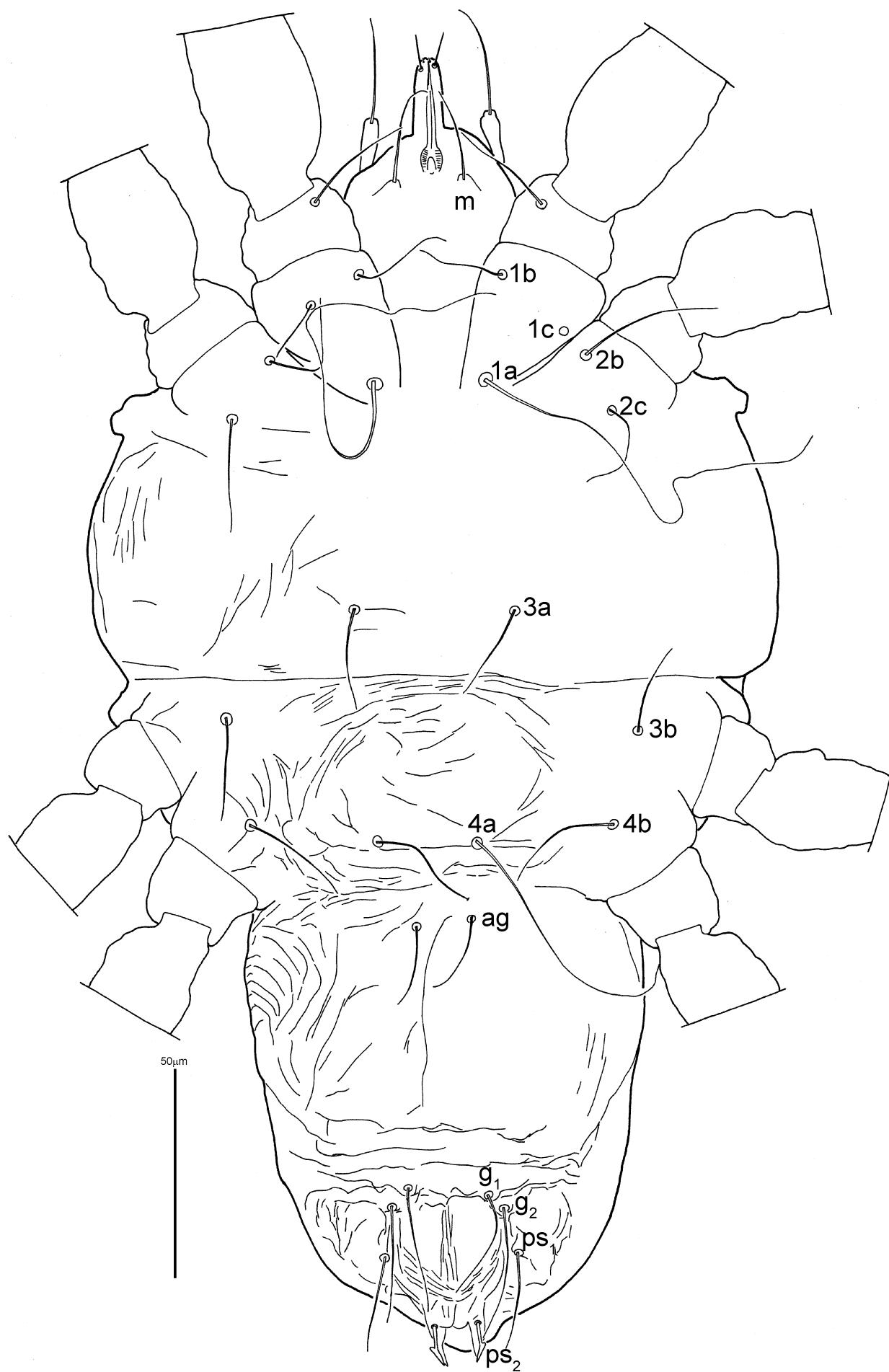


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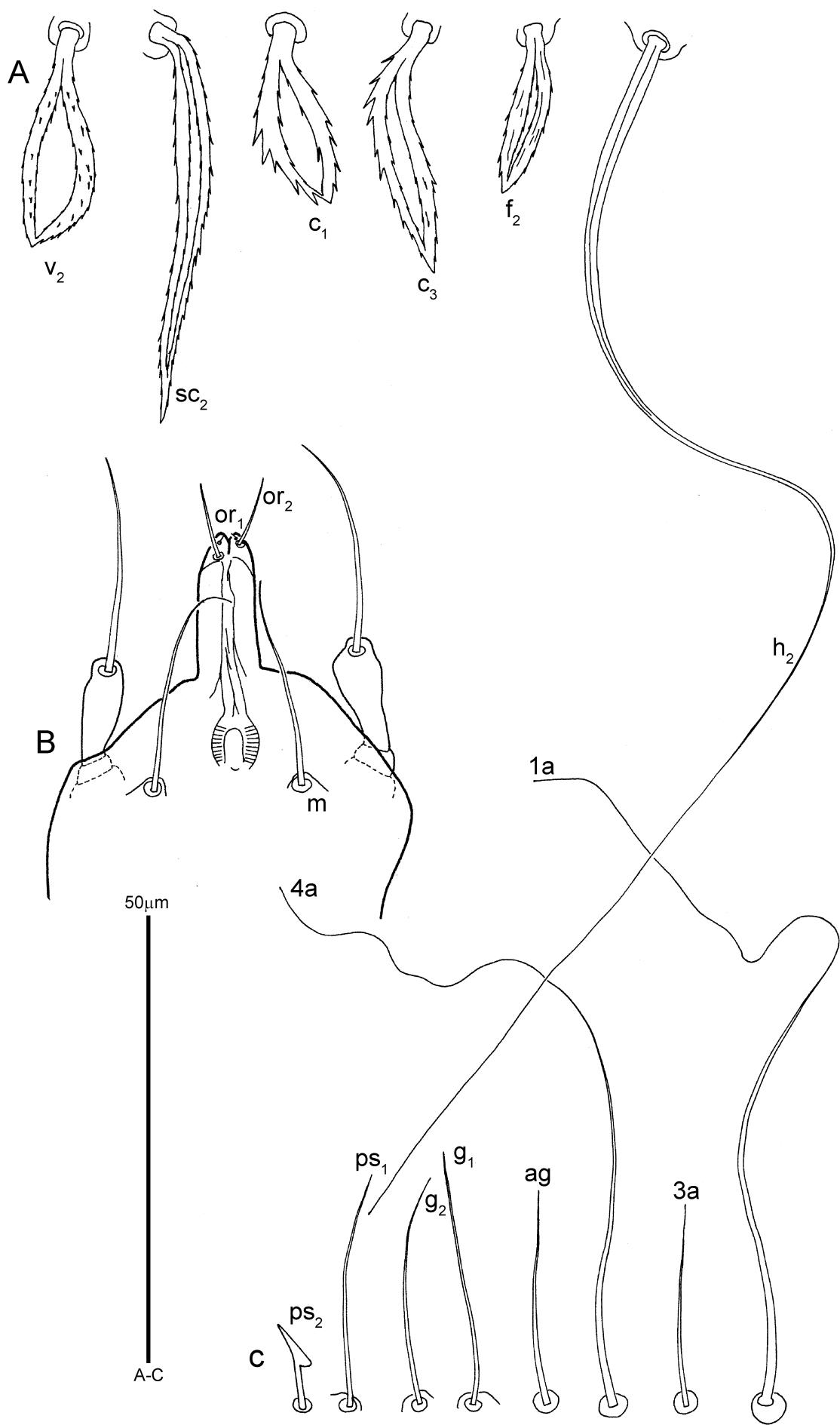


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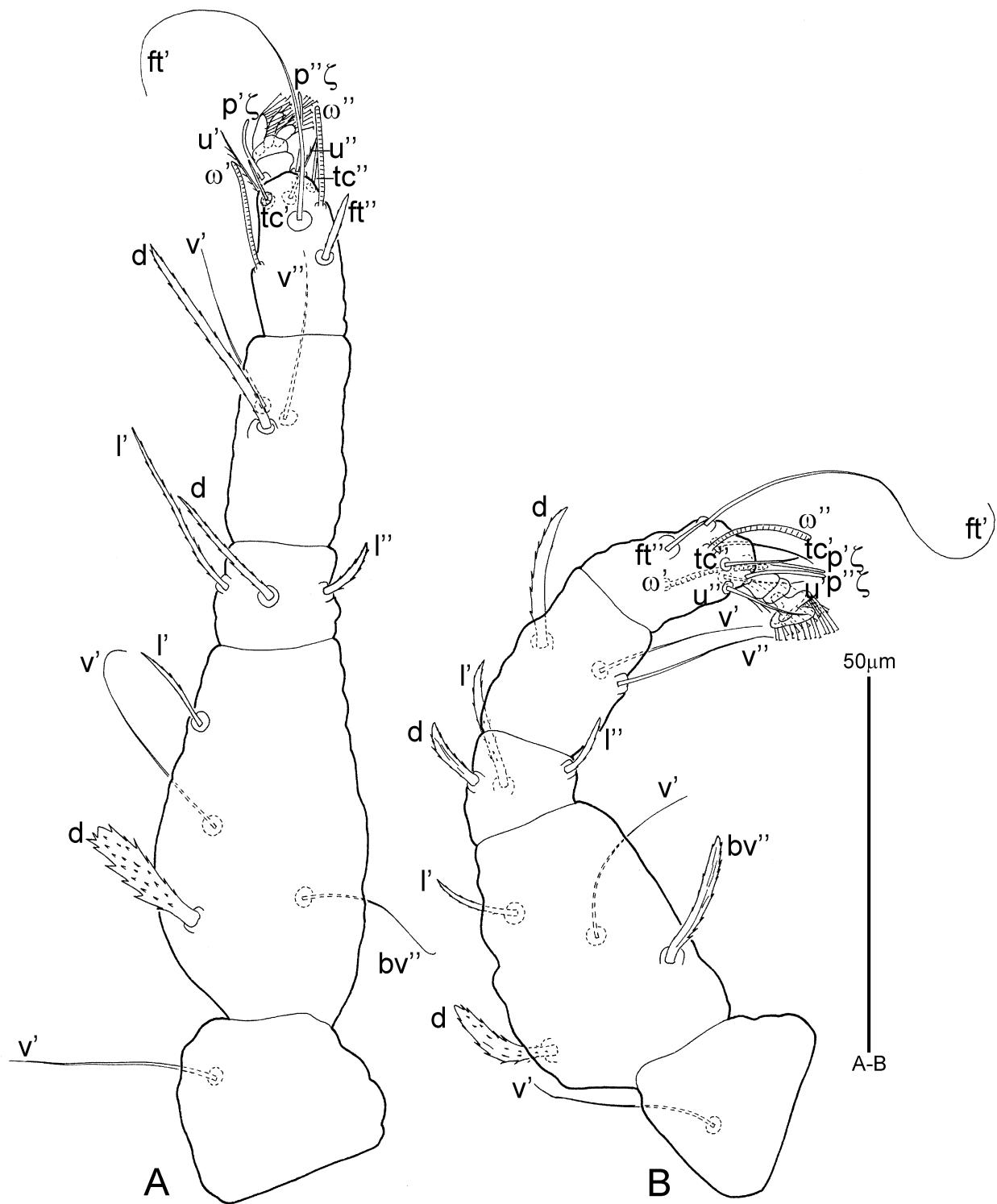


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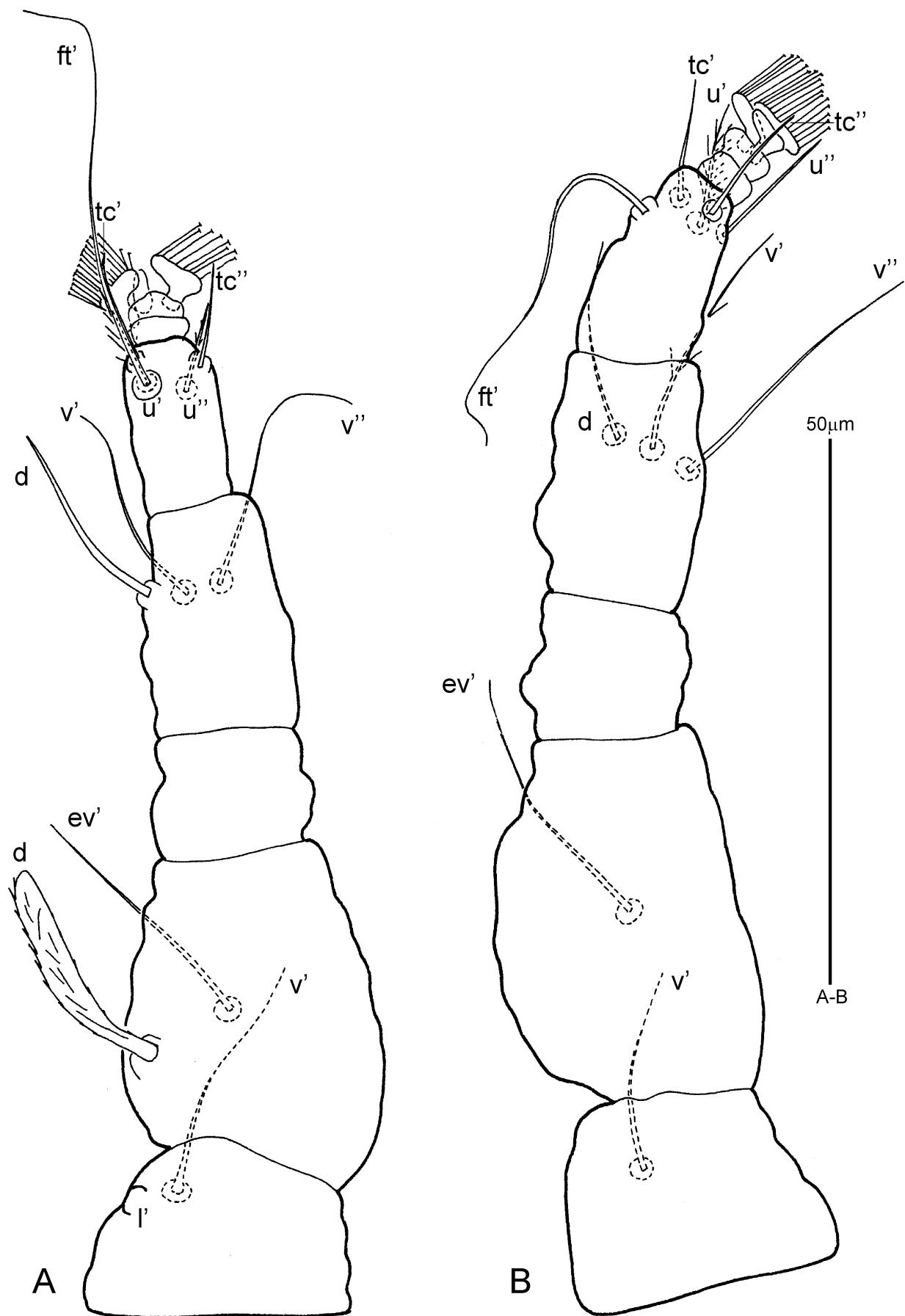


FIGURE 93. *Tenuipalpus rangiorae* Collyer (male). A, leg III; B, leg IV.

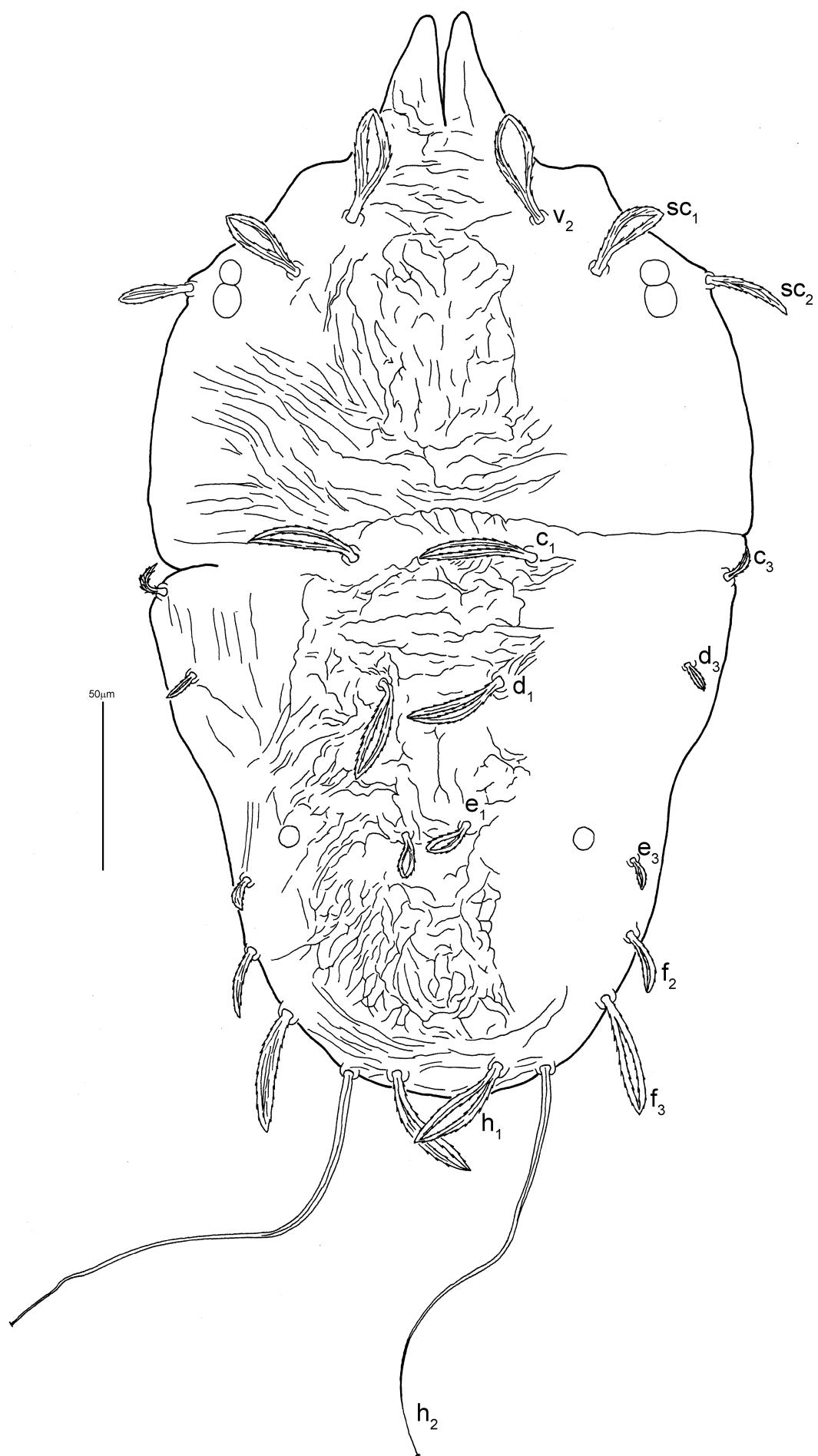


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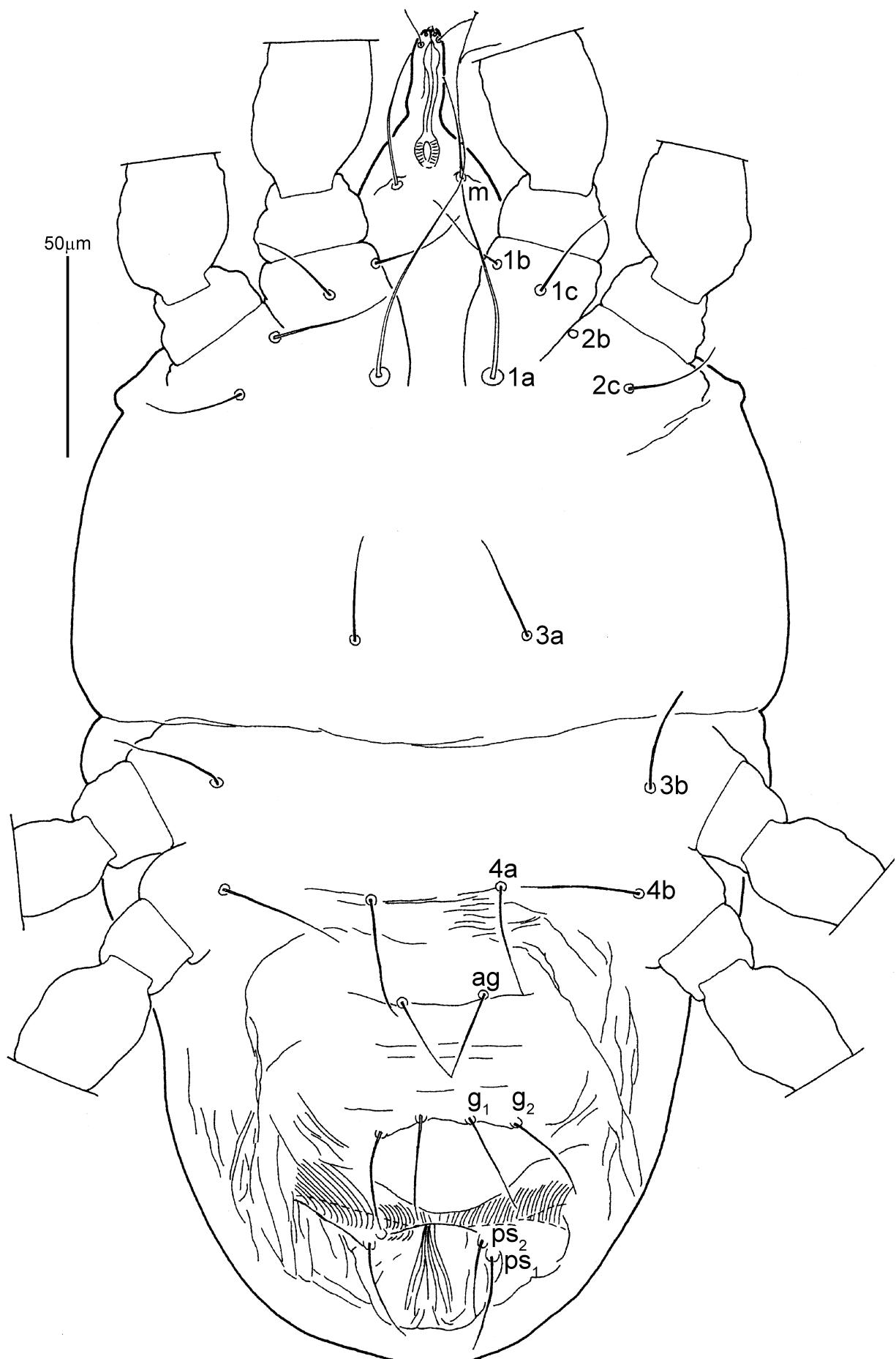


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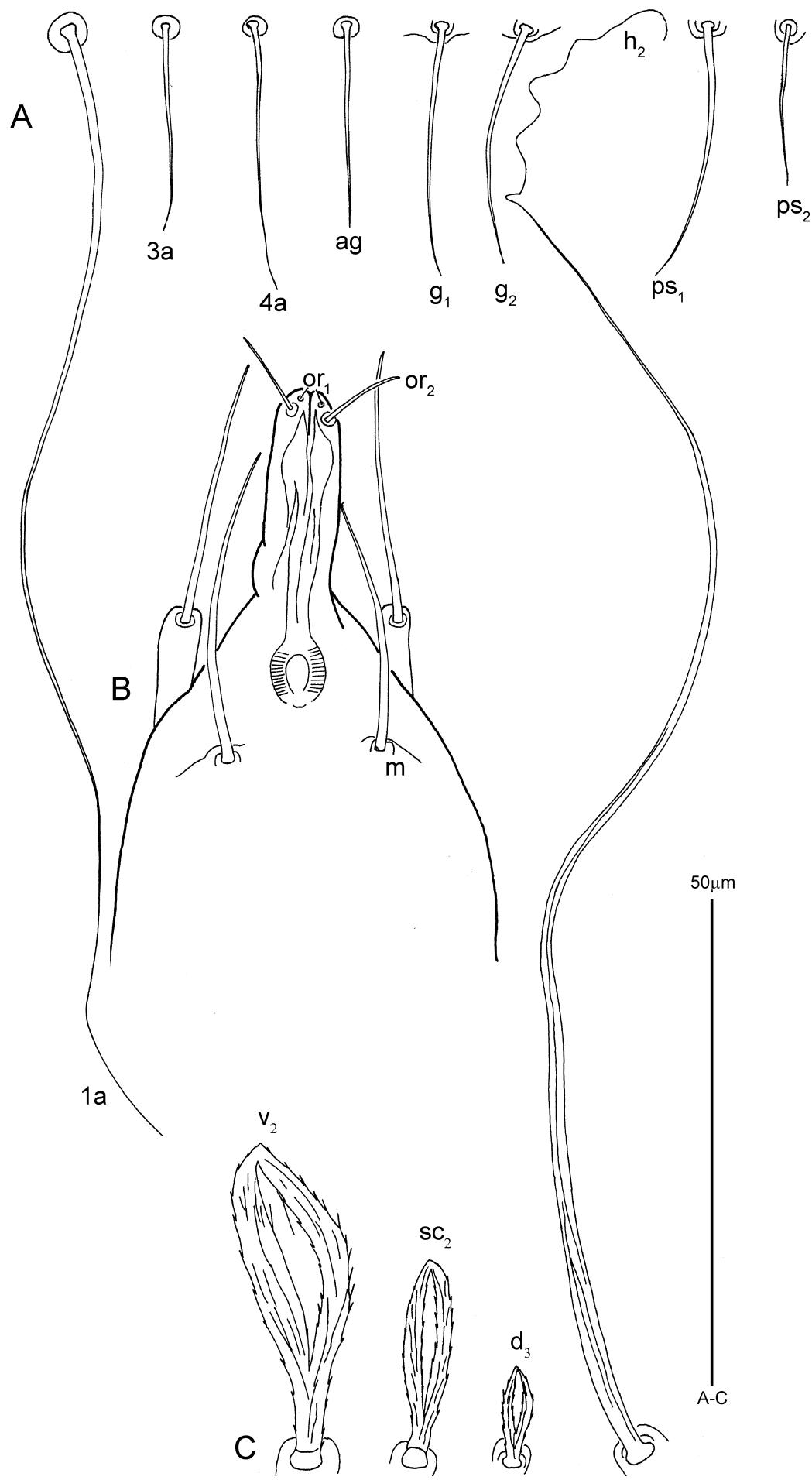


FIGURE 96. *Tenuipalpus senecionis* Collyer (female). A, ventral setae; B, subcapitulum; C, dorsal setae.

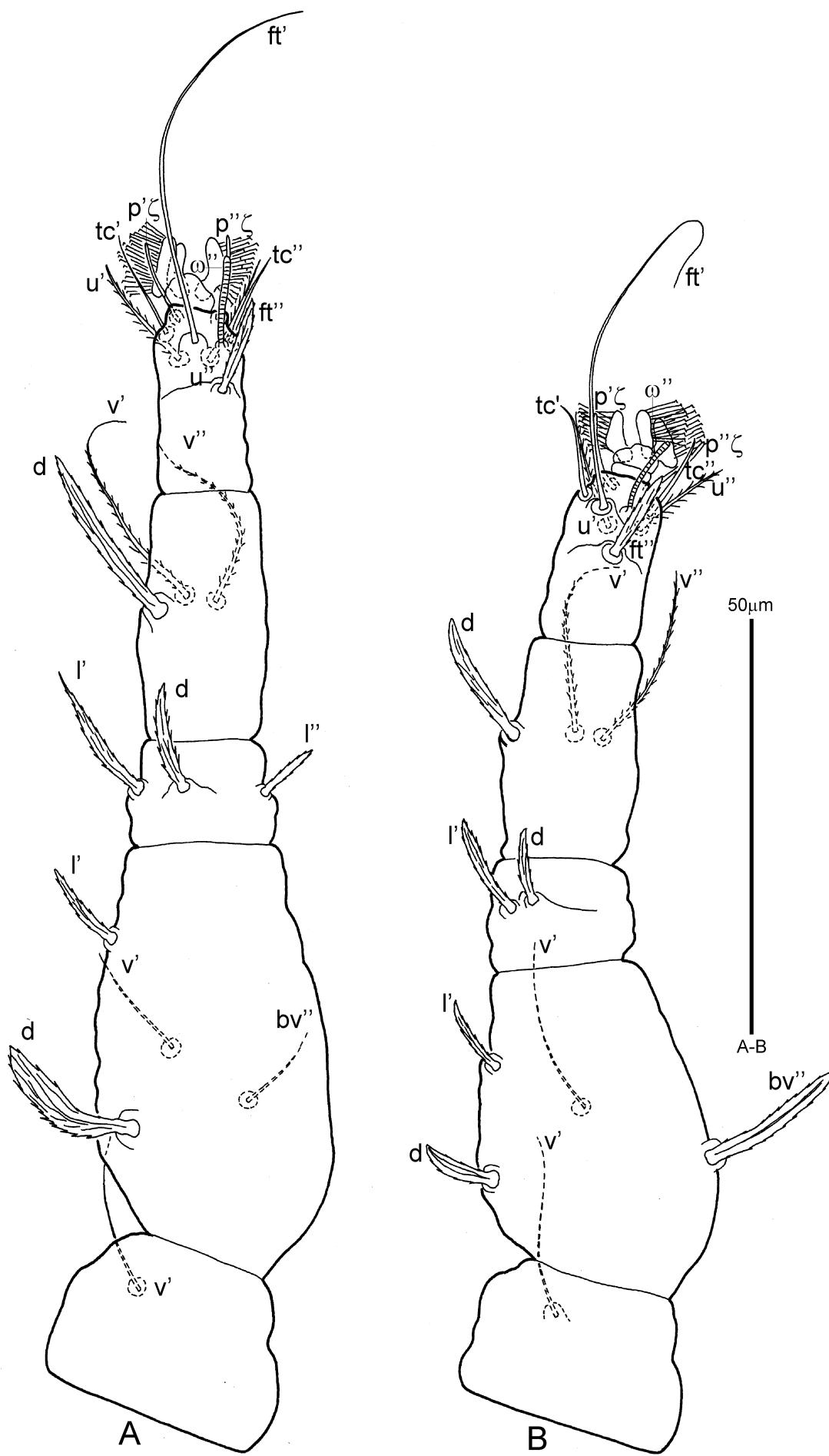


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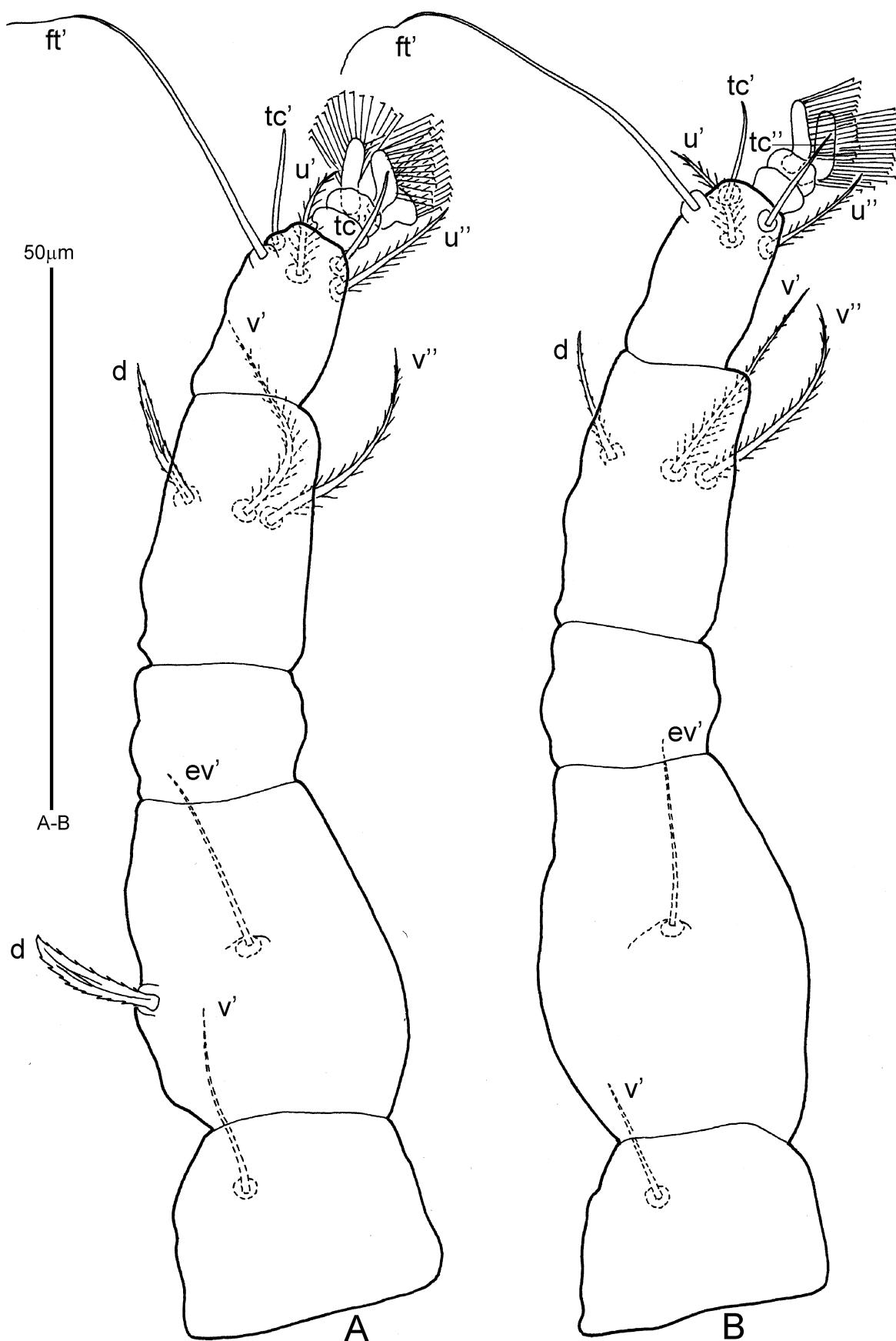


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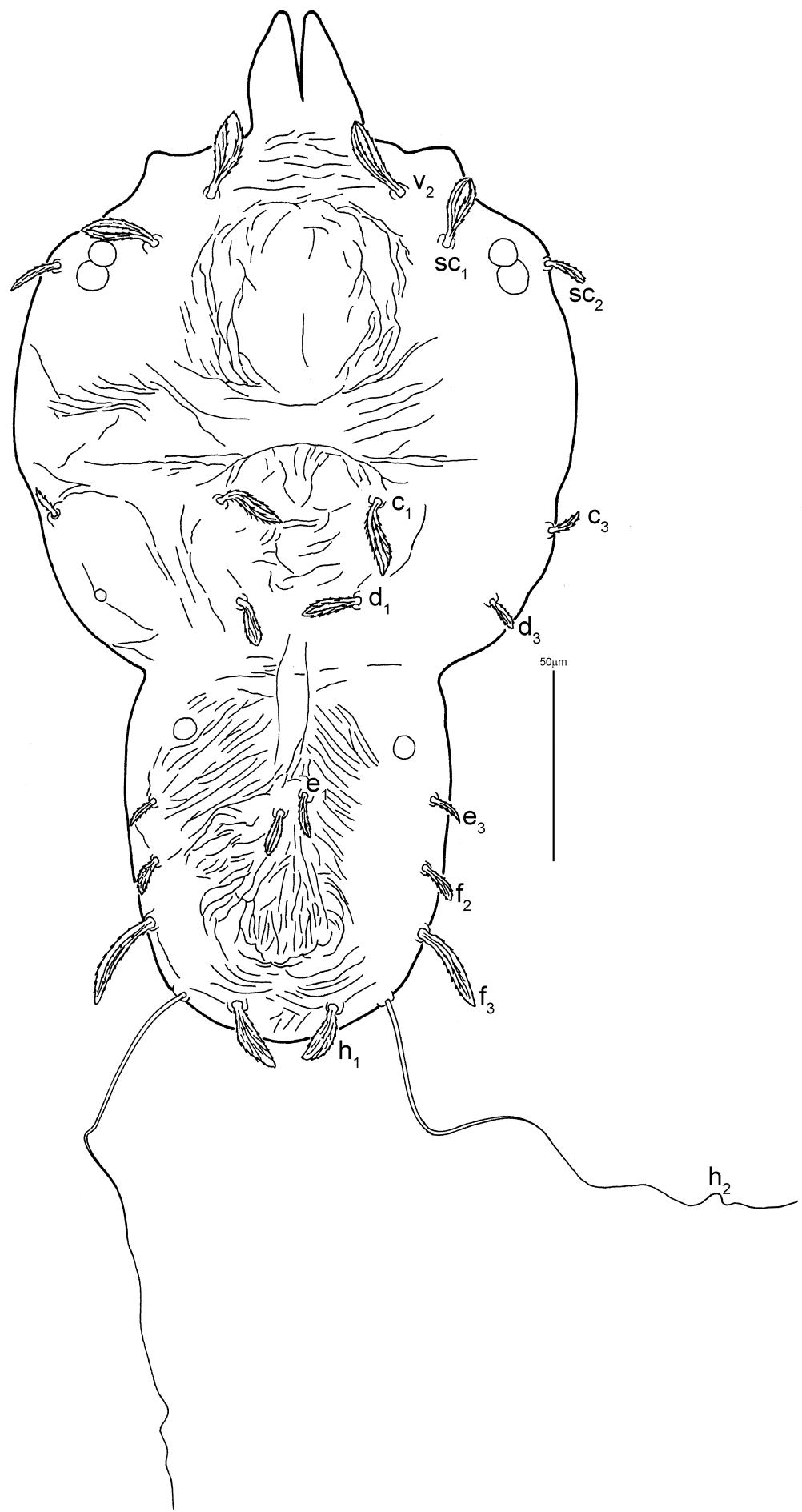


FIGURE 99. *Tenuipalpus senecionis* Collyer (male). Dorsal view of idiosoma.

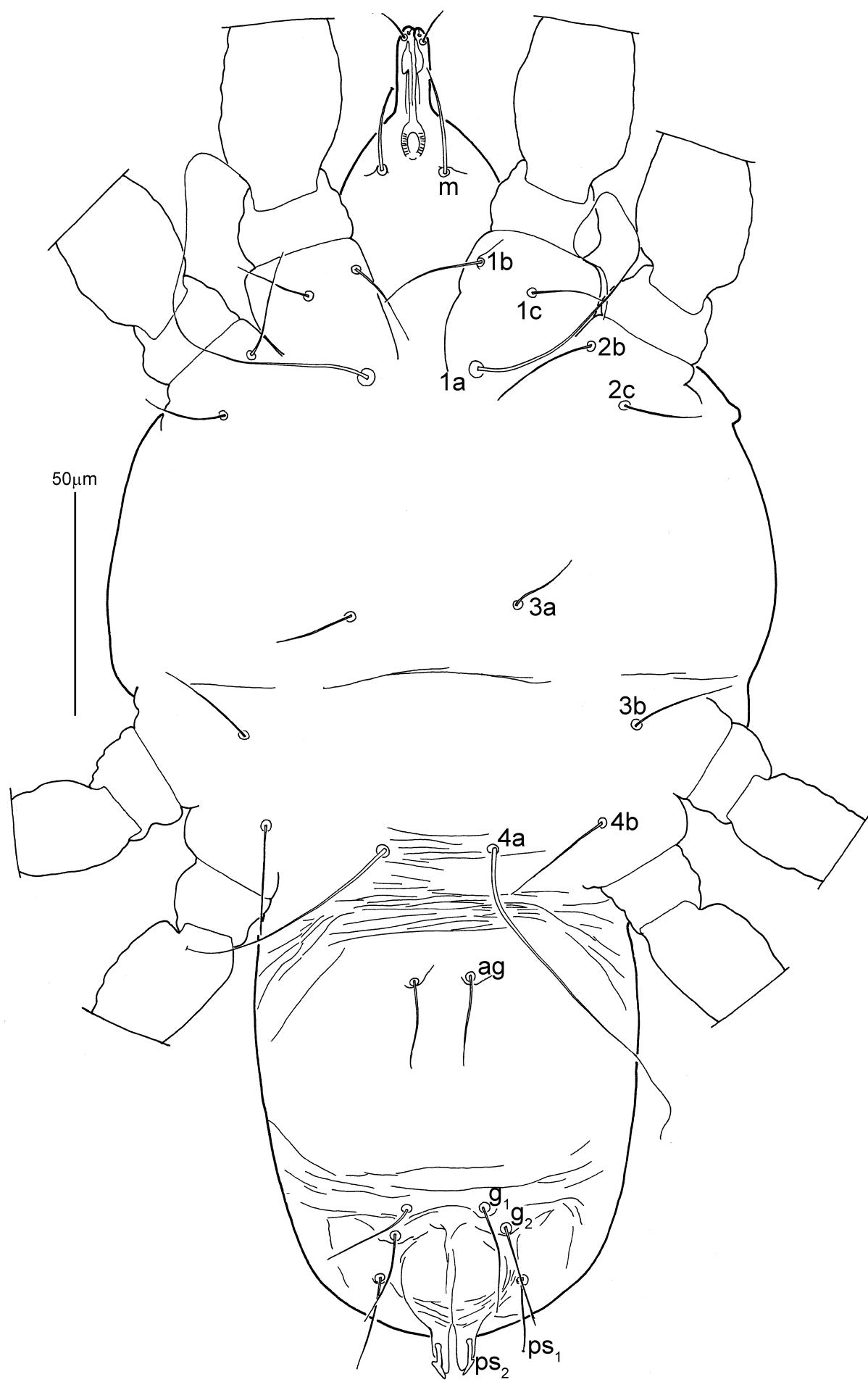


FIGURE 100. *Tenuipalpus senecionis* Collyer (male). Ventral view of idiosoma.

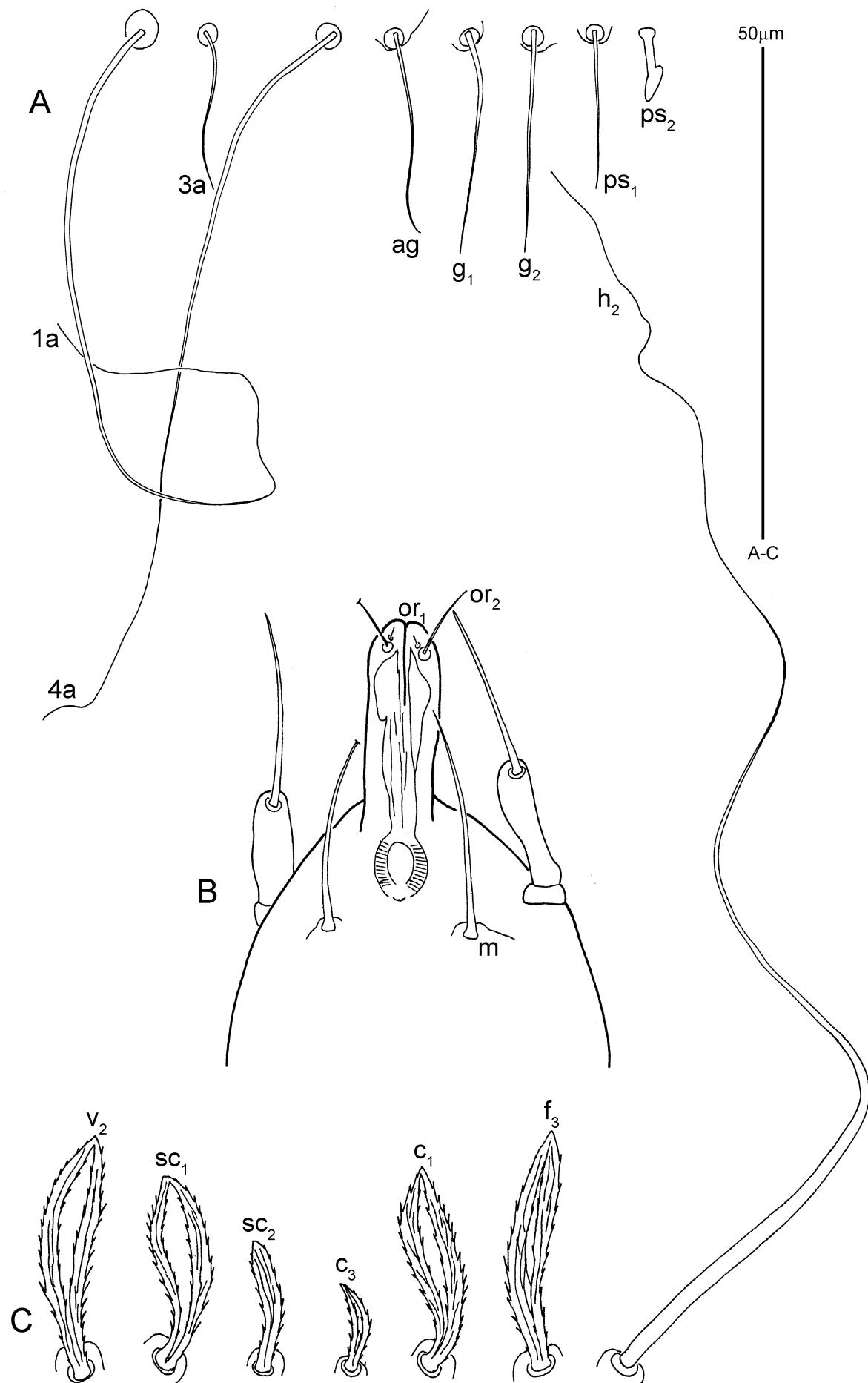


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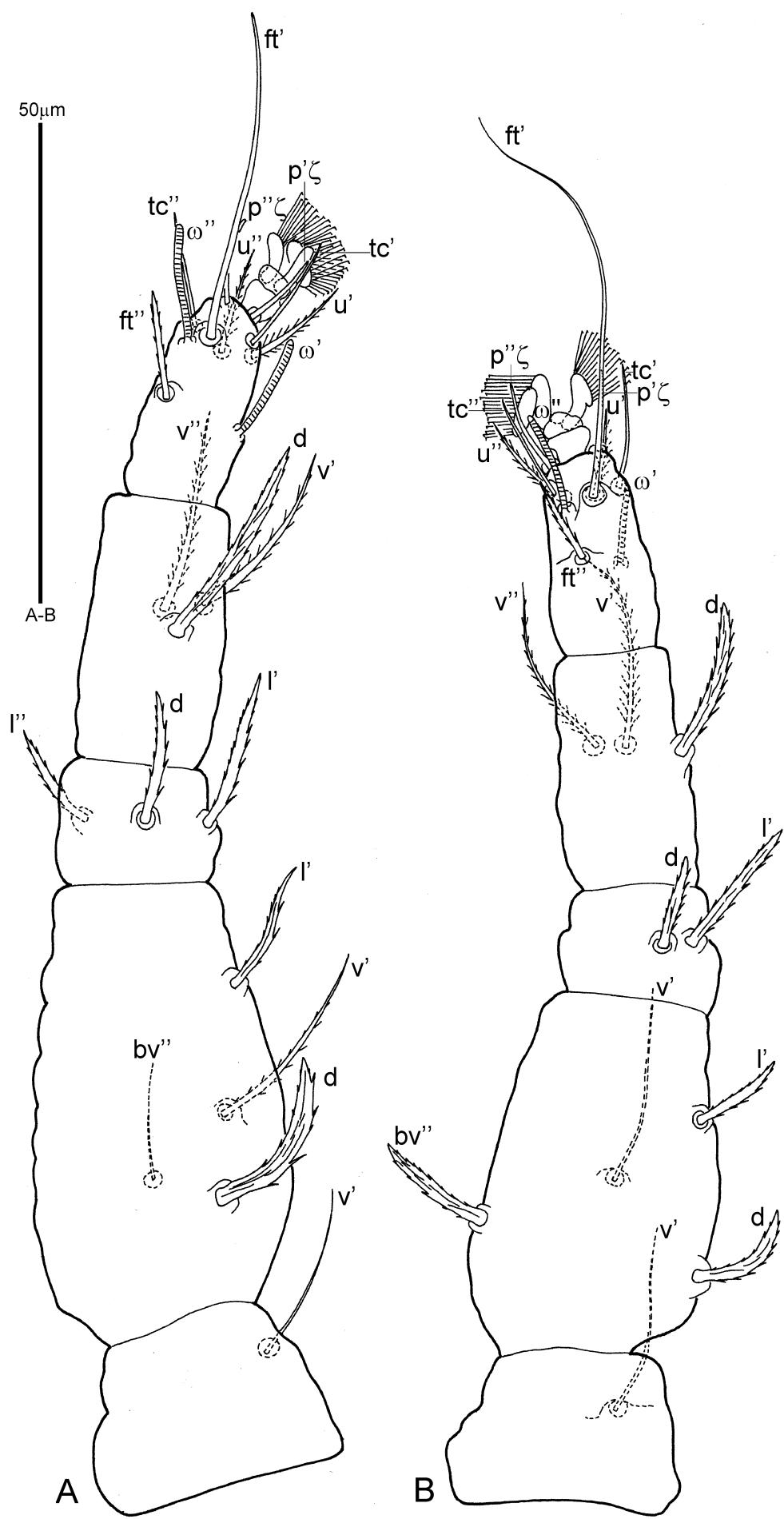


FIGURE 102. *Tenuipalpus senecionis* Collyer (male). A, leg I; B, leg II.

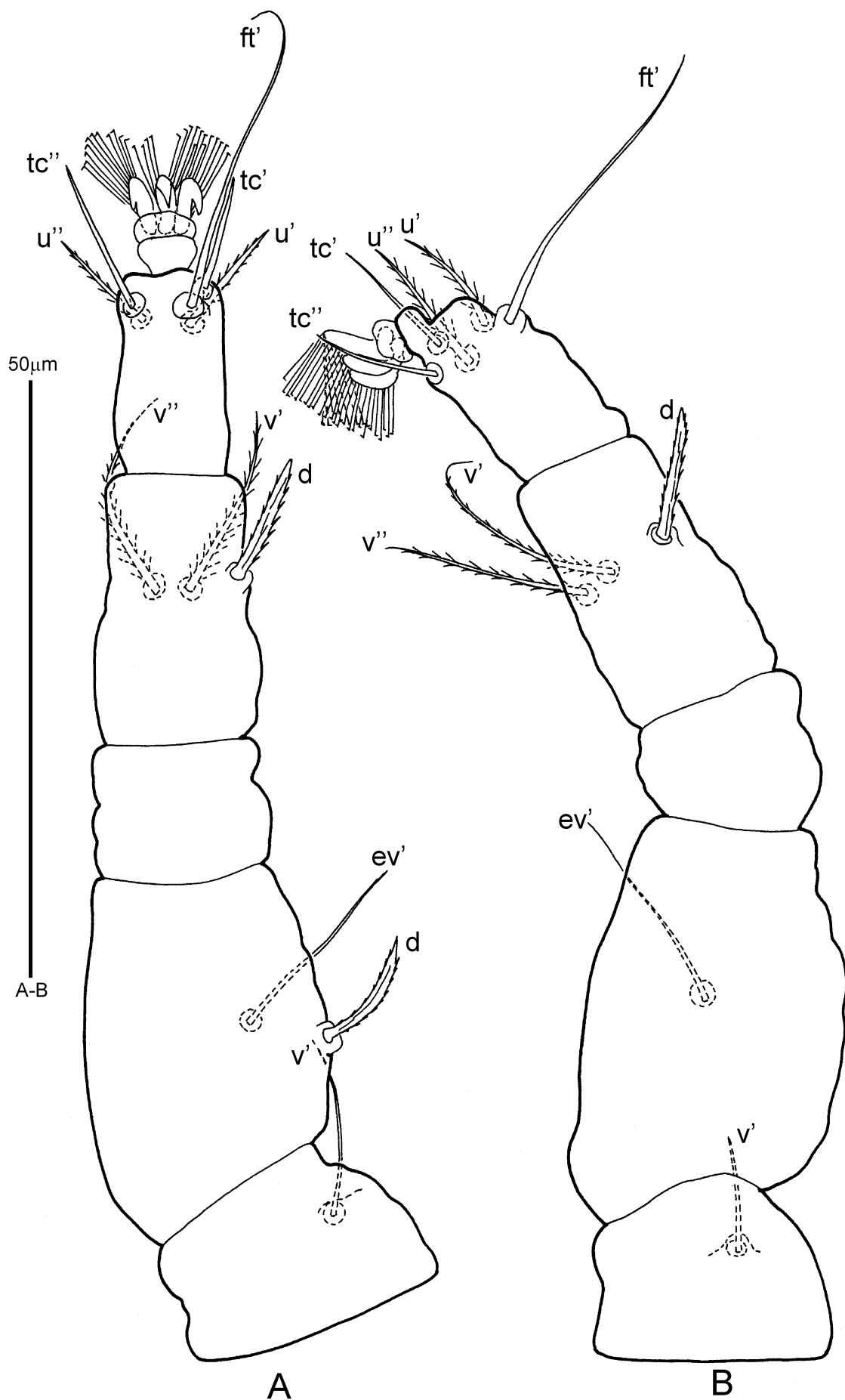


FIGURE 103. *Tenuipalpus senecionis* Collyer (male). A, leg III; B, leg IV.



FIGURE 104. *Tenuipalpus venustus* Collyer (female). Dorsal view of idiosoma.

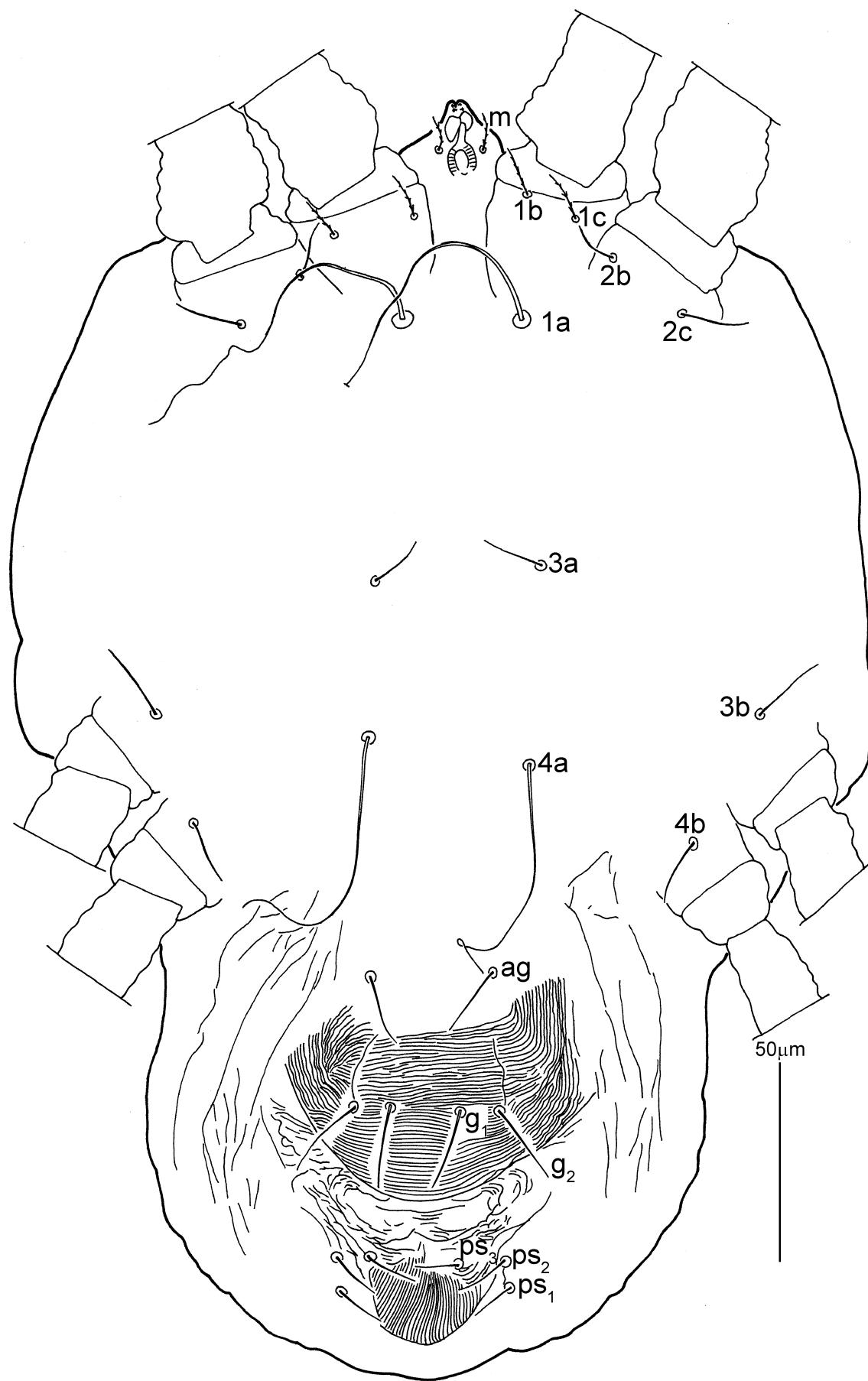


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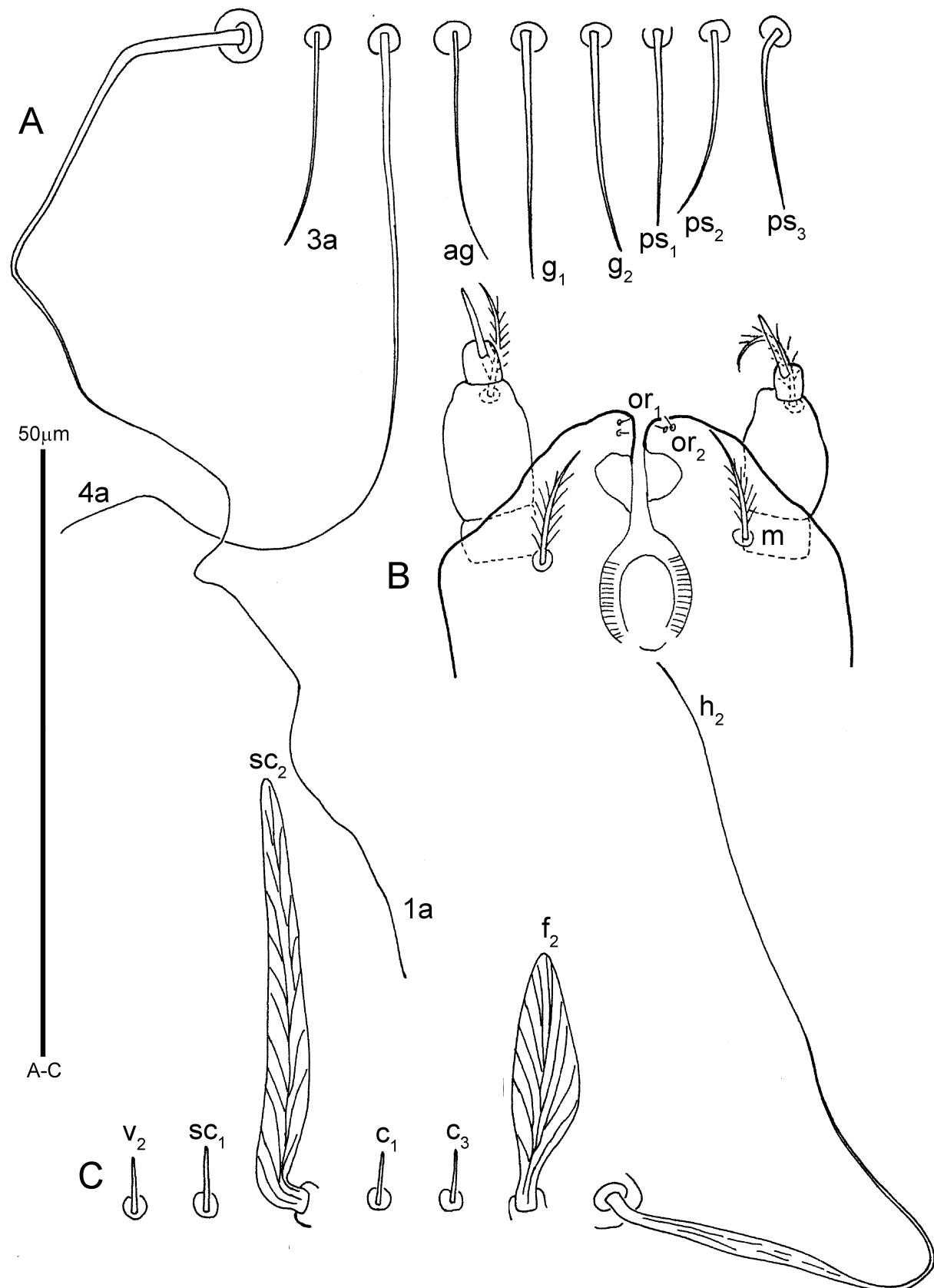


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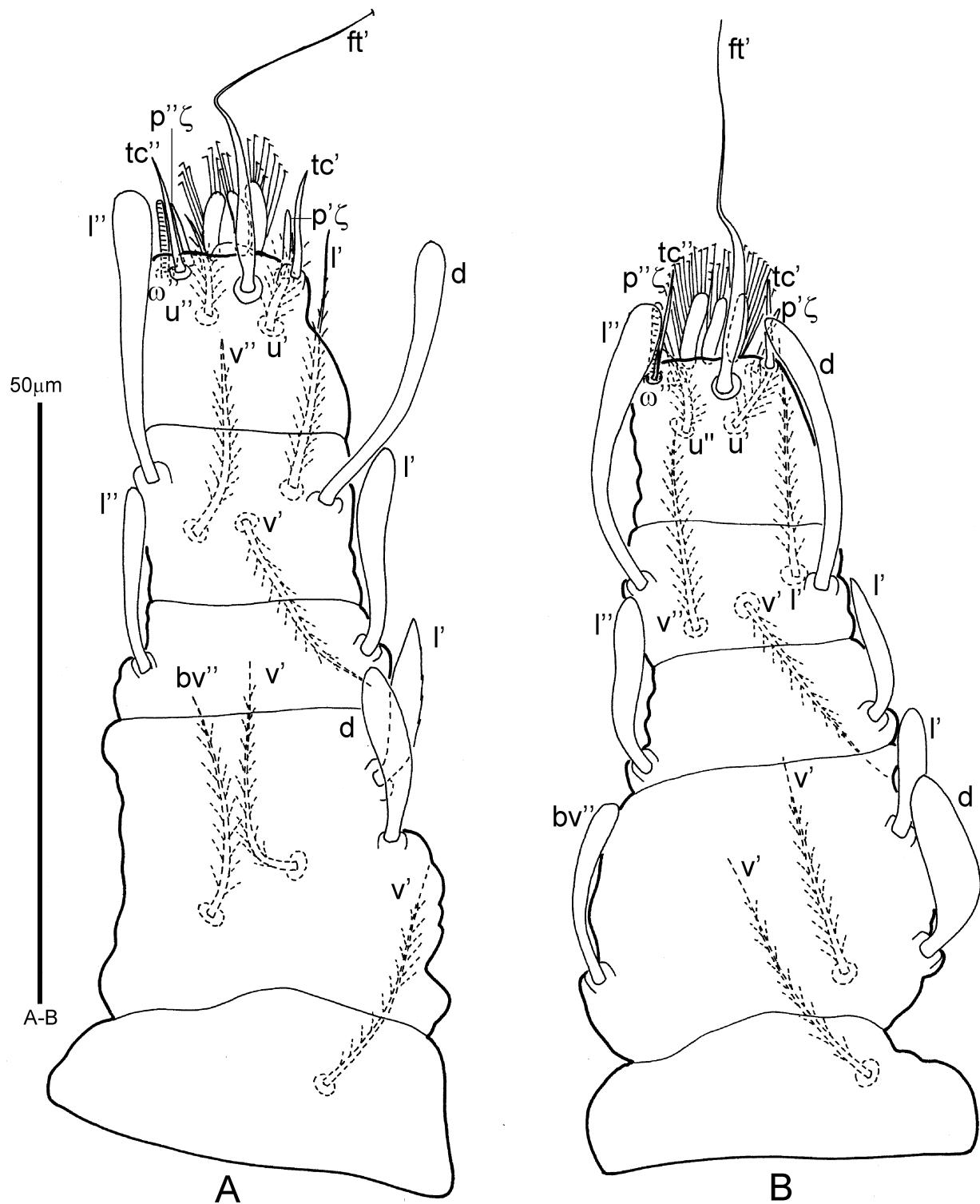


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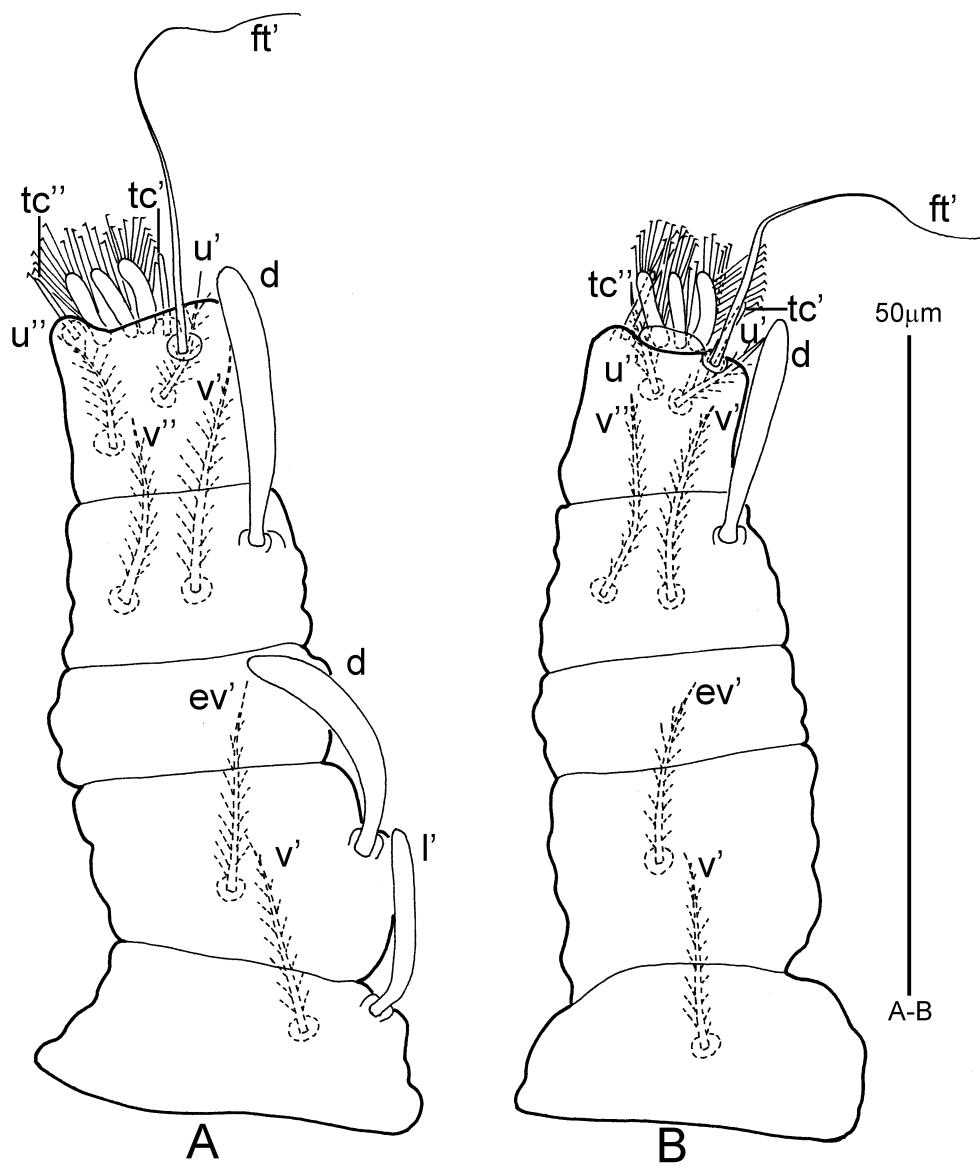


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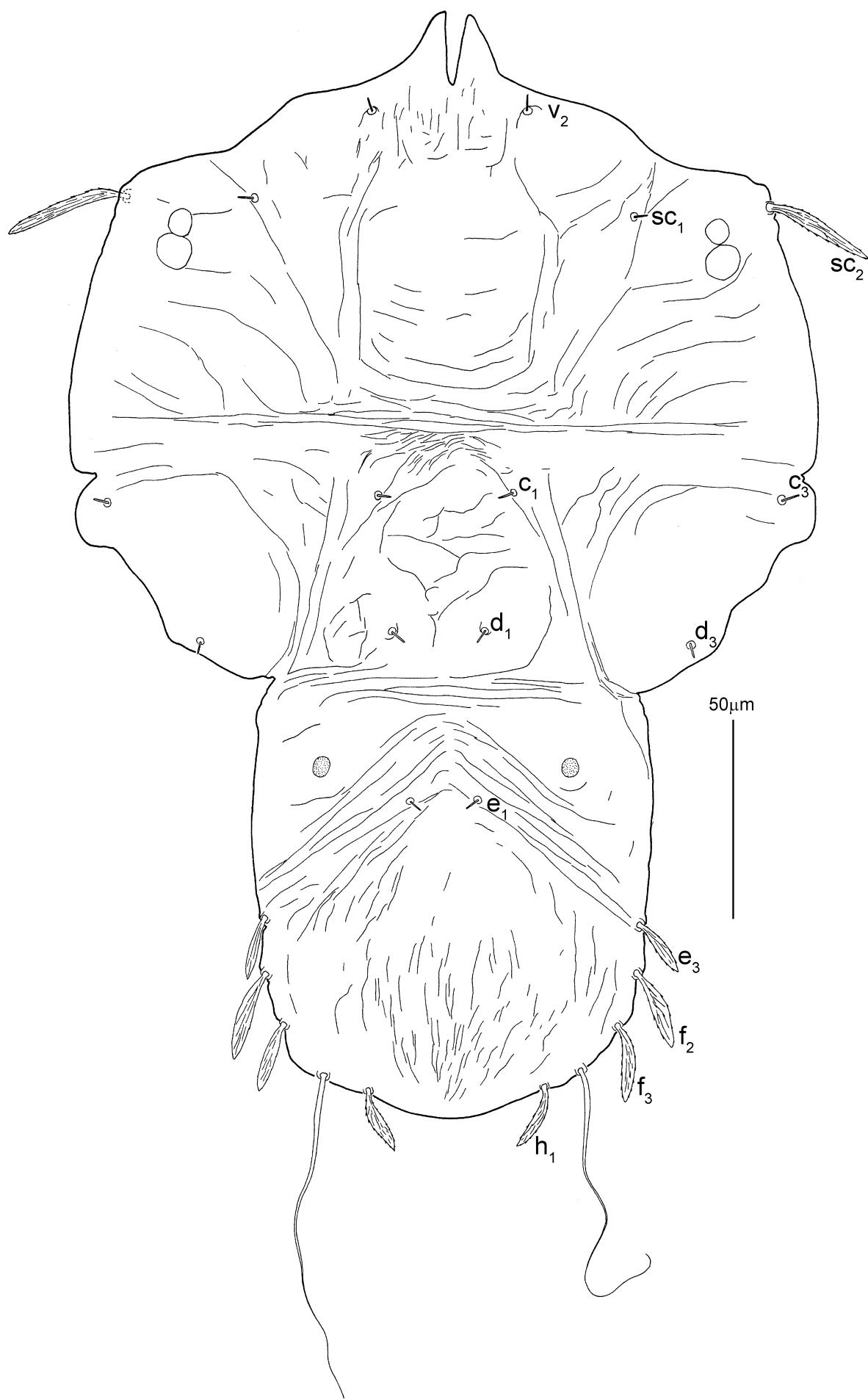


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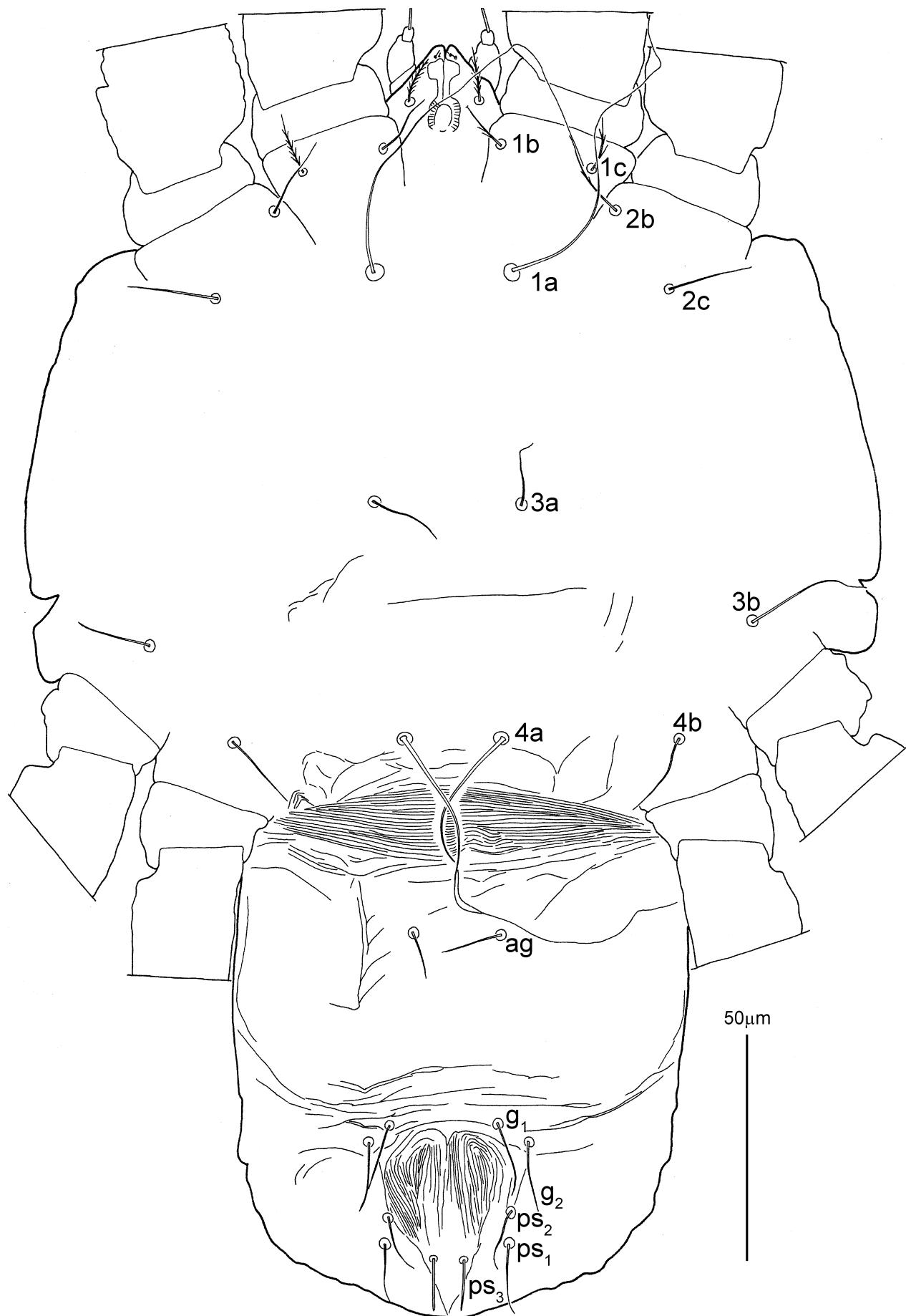


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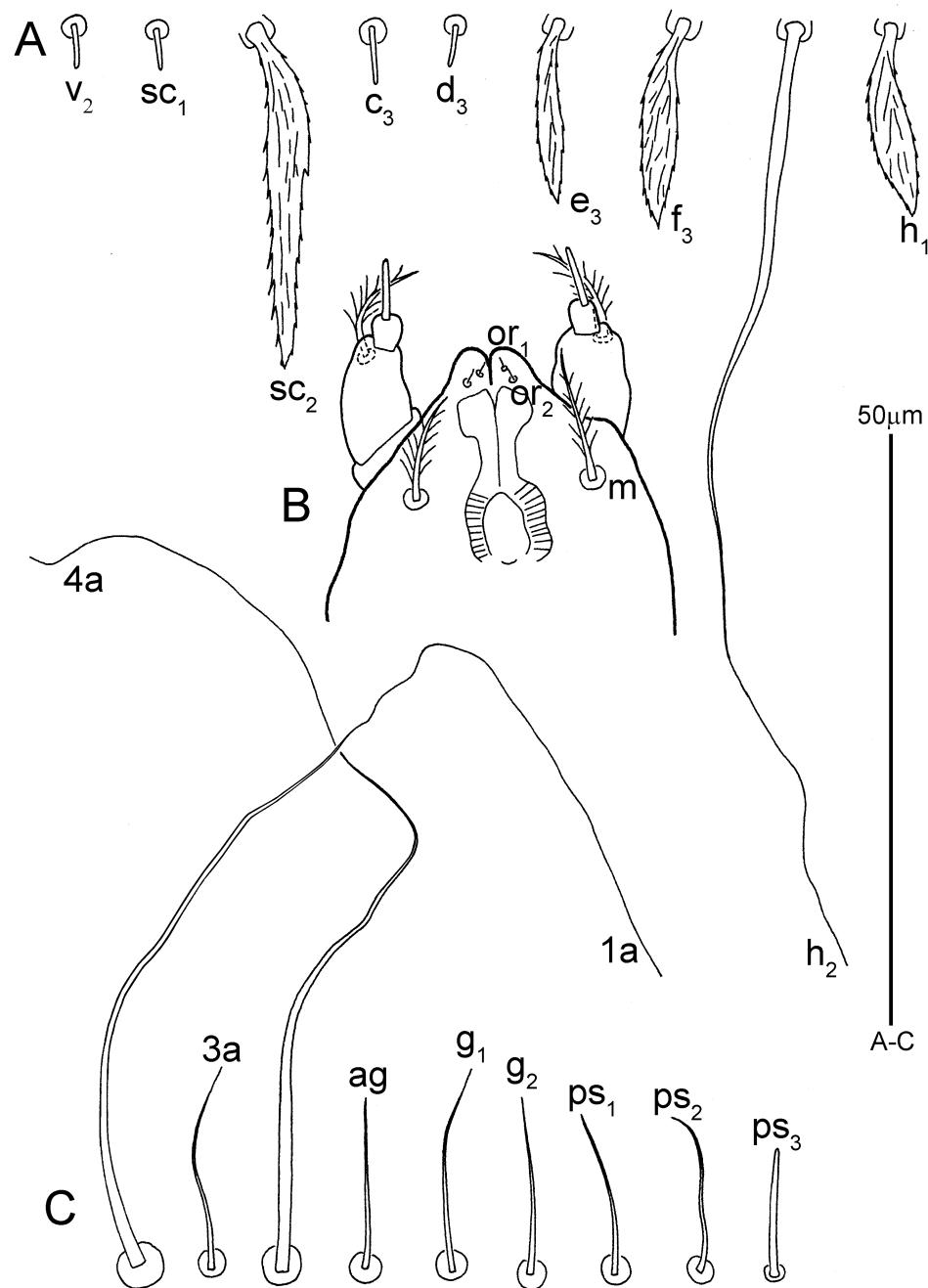


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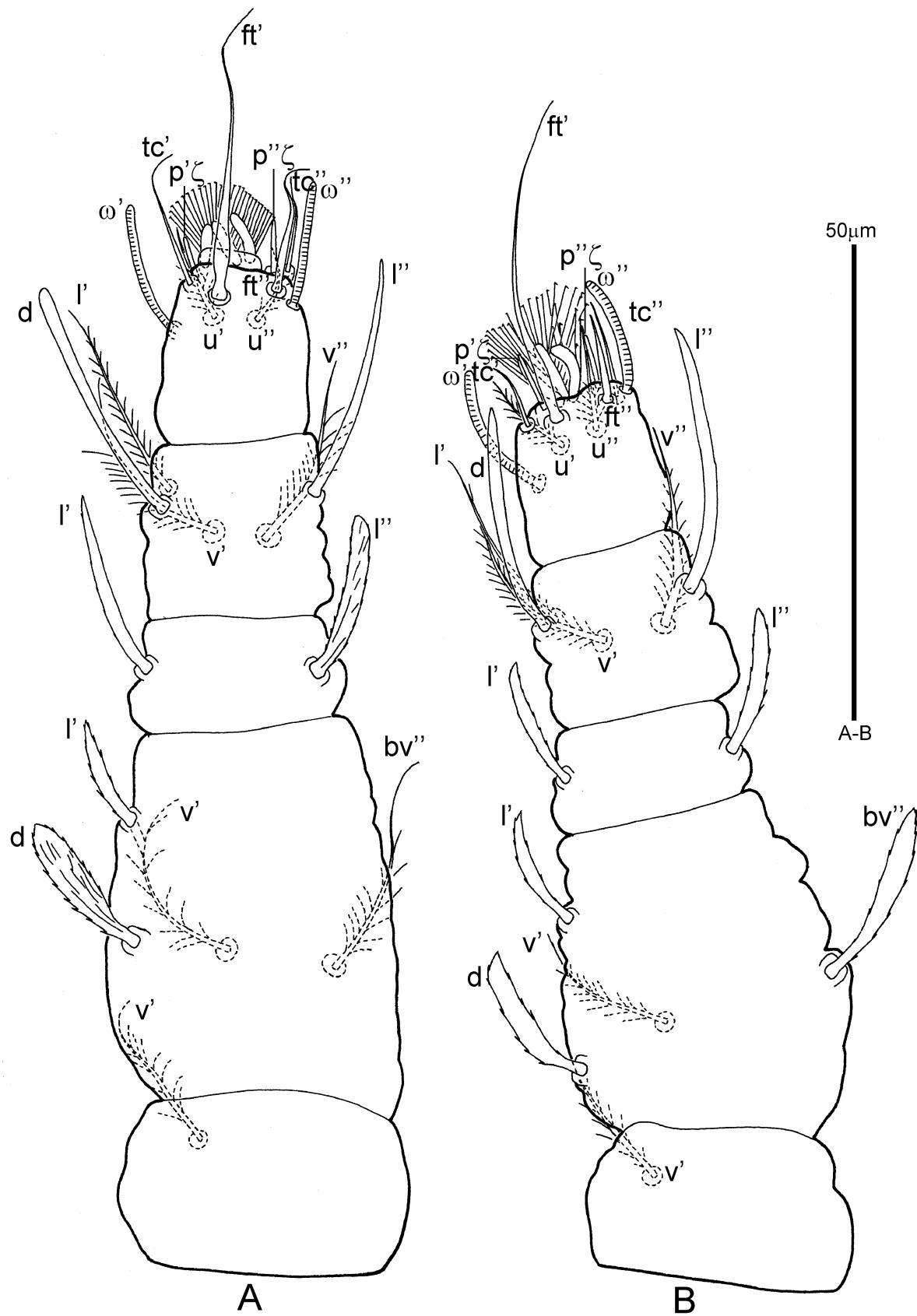


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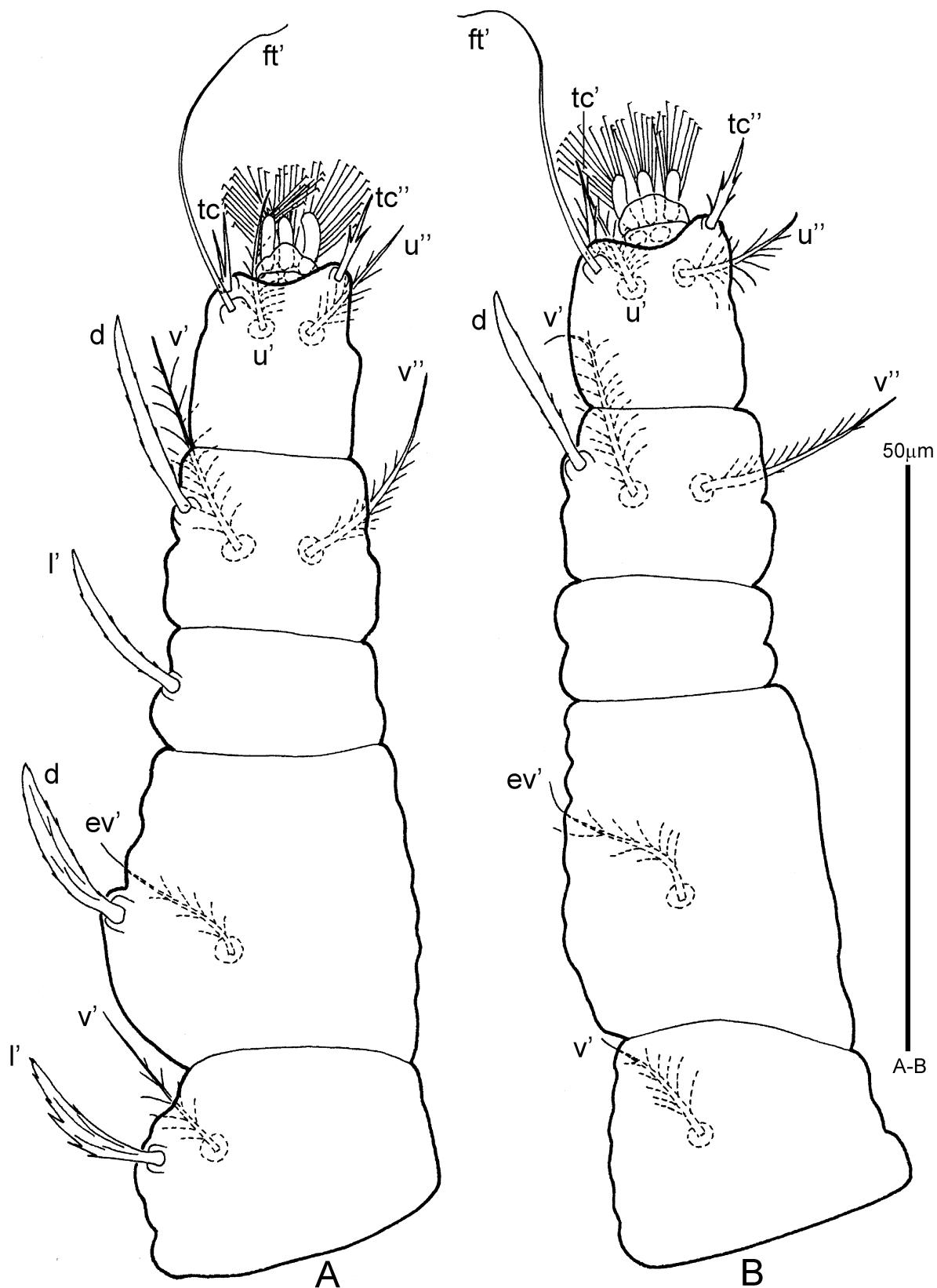
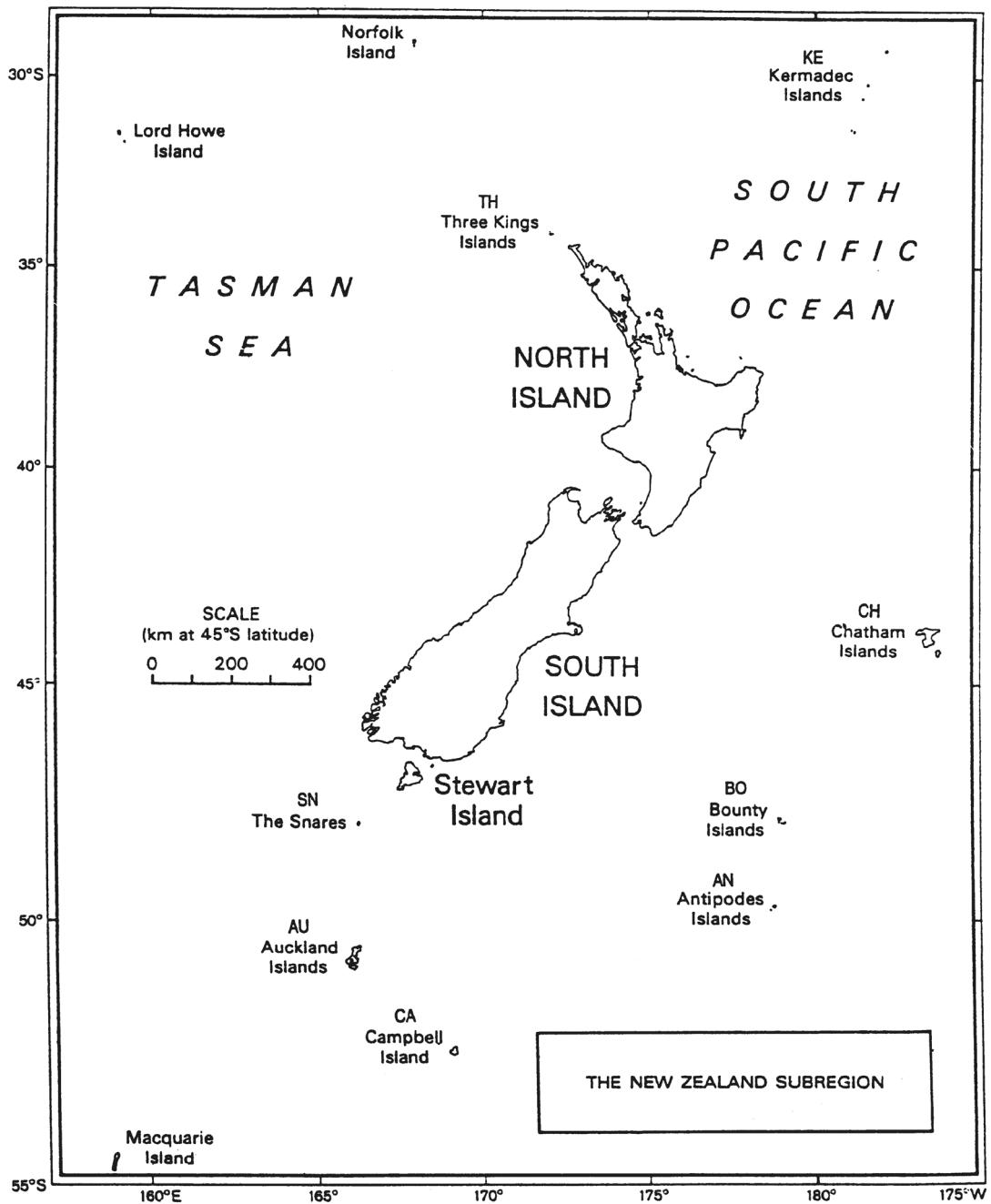
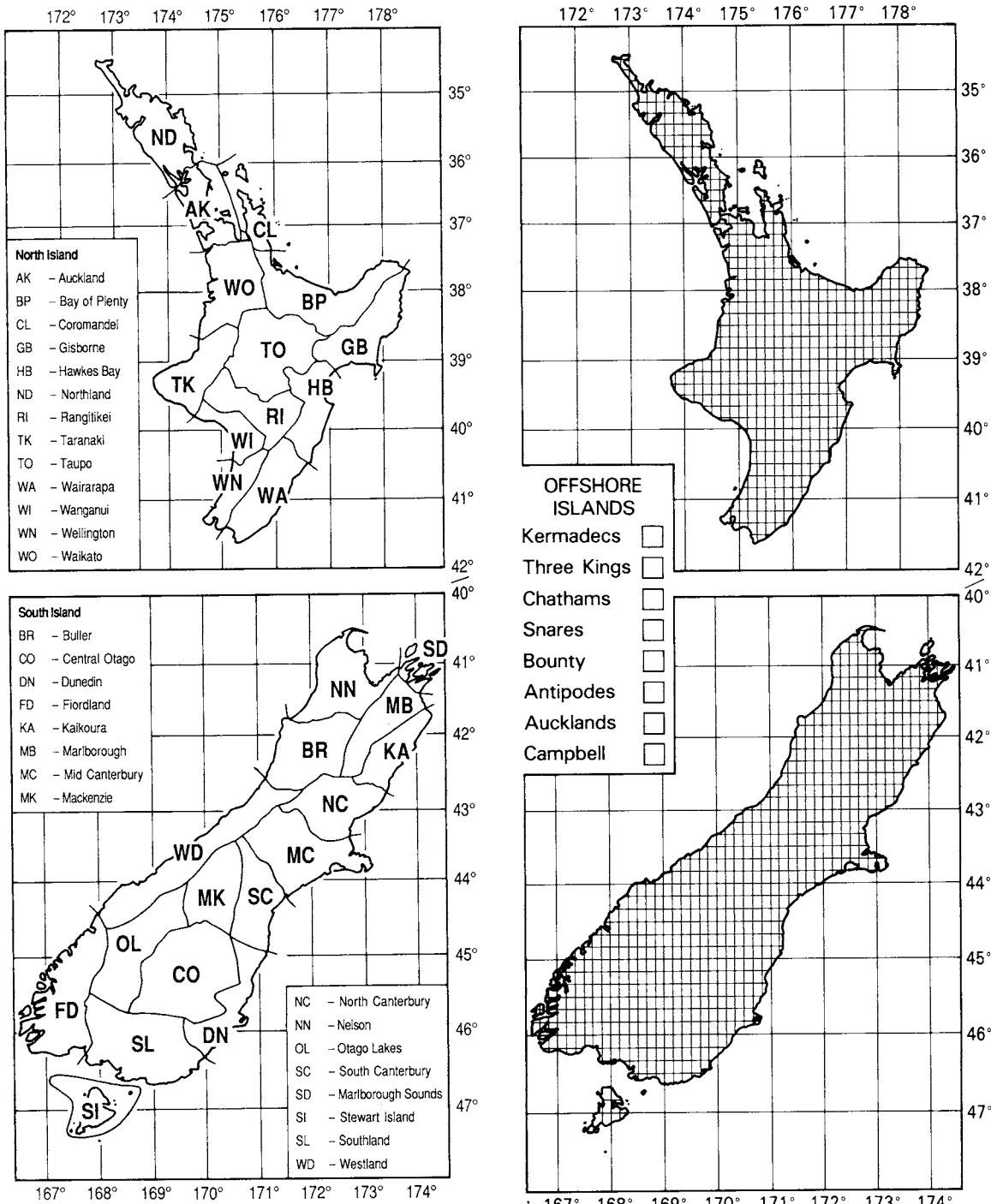


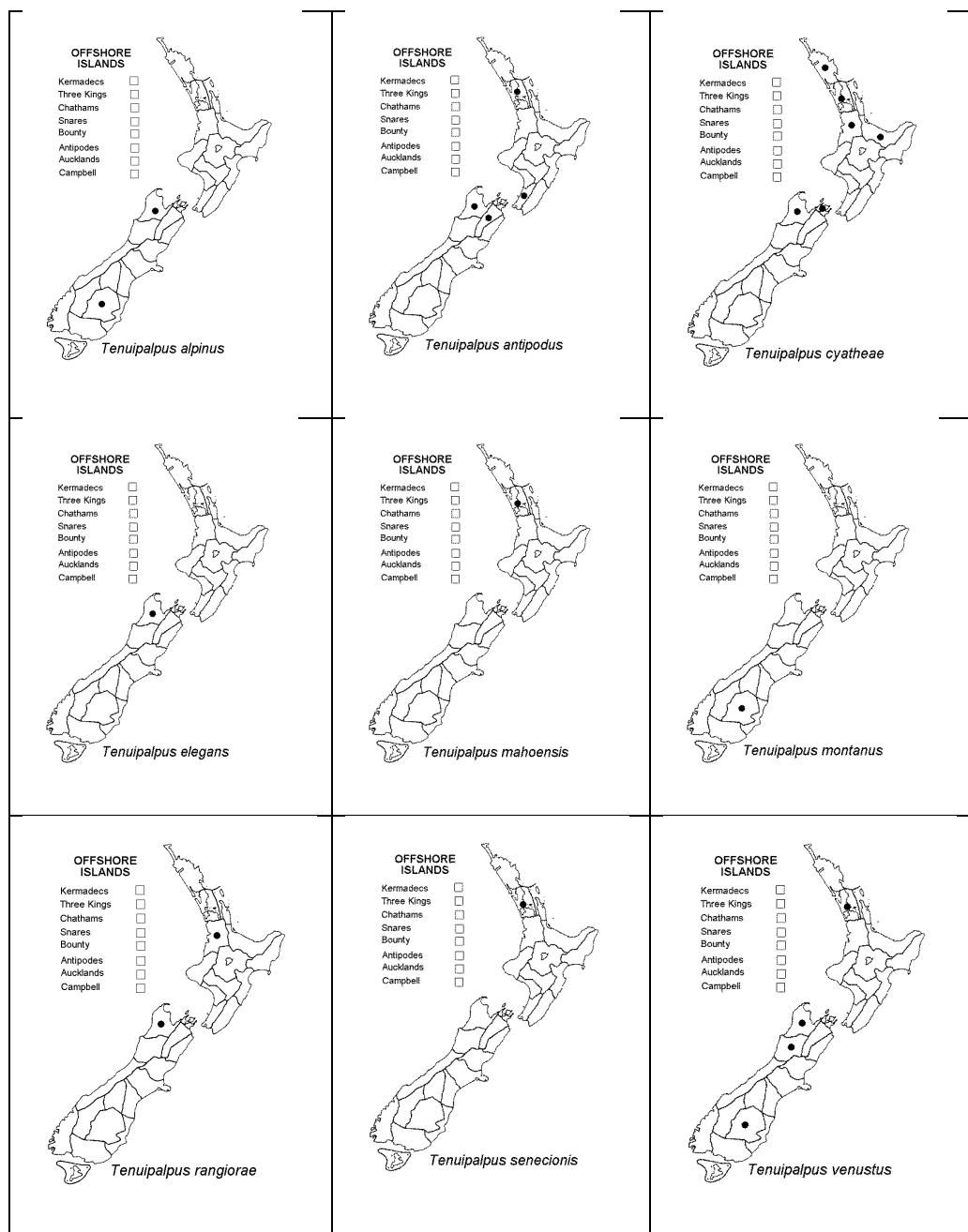
FIGURE 113. *Tenuipalpus venustus* Collyer (male). A, leg III; B, leg IV.





Area codes and boundaries used to categorise specimen locality data (after Crosby *et al.* 1976)

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