

Fig. 21 Trigonias, species C, SMNH P1635.1, showing left I₂ and P₁ to incomplete M₃, and right I₁, I₂, and P₂ to M₃; occlusal view, \times 0.75.

DESCRIPTION

The teeth of the SMNH mandible are moderately worn, especially I_1 , I_2 , and M_1 . On the ROM specimen only M_1 shows appreciable wear. The latter mandible has the alveolar margin evenly rounded in front, reminiscent of *Hyracodon*, and the symphysis forming a shallow trough as far back as the midlength of P₂. Turning to the SMNH jaw, its I_1 has a very long root, and a short, somewhat trenchant crown. It lies close to the midline of the jaw and to I_2 . The latter tooth is much larger and is tusk-like and prominent. I₃ is not preserved on either specimen, but the alveolus is crowded against that of I_2 . There is no trace of the canine, either as tooth or alveolus. The diastema between I_3 and P_1 is short on SMNH P1635.1, somewhat longer on ROM 11629.

 P_1 is a small tooth, ovoid in outline, slightly flattened posteriorly. The crown has a long medial ridge, with a single cusp (= protoconid) at about midlength of tooth. Behind this the ridge is worn. P_2 has a submolariform trigonid and a molariform talonid; the crown tapers slightly anterad. P_3 is almost molariform, the characteristic LL pattern of the crests being well defined; as with P_2 the crown tapers somewhat anterad. P_4 is a little larger than P_3 and does not taper anterad; the protolophid is the highest part of the tooth and forms a transverse wall from protoconid to metaconid.

The first lower molar is similar to P₄ but a little larger. The L-shaped trigonid forms a sharp angle at the protoconid, between protolophid and metalophid, but the crest of the talonid is more rounded, and the position of the hypoconid is vague, whereas the entoconid is distinct, and almost as high as the metaconid. M₂ is almost identical with M₁, but is less worn. M₃ is mostly below the alveolar rim on ROM 11629, and barely above the rim on SMNH P1635.1.

| | Length | Width |
|--------------------------------|--------|-------|
| SMNH P1635.1 | - | |
| Right tooth row, from I1 to M3 | 170.7 | _ |
| Right I1, crown | 6.6 | 4.6 |
| Right I ₂ , crown | 9.8 | 8.0 |
| Left P ₁ | 8.8 | 5.3 |
| Right P ₂ | 15.5 | 9.9 |
| Right P3 | 17.2 | 11.8 |
| Right P4 | 18.1 | 13.5 |
| Right M1 | 23.2 | 15.1 |
| Right M ₂ | 25.9 | 16.3 |
| Right M3 | _ | 13.2 |

MEASUREMENTS (in millimetres)

REMARKS

The dentition of these two lower jaws closely resembles that of *Trigonias osborni* as described and illustrated by Wood (1928); in particular, the large, procumbent I₂ and the small but distinct P₁ are similar. Gregory and Cook (1928:6) postulated that in *Trigonias* the I₃ was lost before the lower canine, but these specimens show the



Fig. 22 *Trigonias*, species C, ROM 11629, incomplete mandible, showing left P1 to P4 and right P1 to M3; occlusal view, × 0.75.

alveolus for I₃ but no trace of the canine. In size the present specimens are only about two-thirds that of the corresponding parts in T. osborni. They probably represent an undescribed species, but in the absence of associated upper dentition they are not considered adequate for a specific definition.

Trigonias species D

REFERRED SPECIMENS

SMNH P1119.1, portion of right mandibular ramus with part of symphysis, left I₁ and P₁, right I₁, P₁, P₂, incomplete P₃ and P₄; Calf Creek. ROM 5921 (Fig. 23), incomplete right mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23184 (Fig. 24), fragmentary right mandibular ramus with P₃, DP₄, P₄, M₁ and M₂; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23186 (Figs. 25, 26), left mandibular ramus and part of symphysis, with P₂ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23187, fragment of right mandibular ramus with M₃ and incomplete M₁ and M₂; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23188, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23189, fragment of left mandibular ramus with M₁ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23196, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23196, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23196, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23196, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23196, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23196, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23196, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry. ROM 23196, left mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; Hunter Quarry.

DESCRIPTION

The mandibular rami listed above appear to represent a single species and will be described together. ROM 23186 is the best preserved and will serve as the basis of the description. The remnant of the symphysis retains part of the alveoli of both I₁ and left I₂, but no trace of I₃ or C; the I₂ was a large, procumbent tusk. P₁ is represented by the alveolus, the anterior pit being distinct, the posterior closely appressed against P₂. The latter tooth is ovoid, tapering anterad; the crown is worn but shows a large central cusp on an anterior crest, with a short oblique crest running posterolinguad from the cusp. P₃ is molariform except that the trigonid is narrower than the talonid. P₄ is quite molariform but has the small entoconid distinctly separated from the lingual end of the hypolophid. The molars have the talonid about as high as the trigonid. The trigonid crest is L-shaped, that of the talonid is crescentic. The condyle and the coronoid process are almost intact. There is a large dental foramen below the coronoid process. Two mental foramina are present anteroventral to P₂.

ROM 23188 closely resembles 23186, but is more damaged anteriorly and in the condylar/coronoid region. The P₃ is preceded by two alveolar pits, which indicate the former presence of P₂ but not P₁. The remaining teeth are almost identical in size with those of ROM 23186, but the P₃ to M₁ are deeply worn.

ROM 23196 is also closely comparable with 23186, but is slightly smaller. All of the preserved teeth, P_3 to M_3 , are deeply worn. There are well-preserved alveoli for P_1 and P_2 .

ROM 5921 is also slightly smaller than ROM 23186. The entoconid on P₄ of 5921 is incompletely separated from the hypolophid. ROM 23184, although fragmentary, is interesting in that DP₄ is present with the unerupted P₄ below it in the jaw. The DP₄ is completely molariform but of course deeply worn. The P₄ has the entoconid



Fig. 23 Trigonias, species D, ROM 5921, incomplete right mandibular ramus with P₃ to M₃; occlusal view, $\times 0.75$.



Fig. 24 Trigonias, species D, ROM 23184, fragmentary right mandibular ramus with P3, DP4, P4, M1, M2; lingual view, $\times 1$.



Fig. 25 Trigonias, species D, ROM 23186, left mandibular ramus and part of symphysis, with P₂ to M₃; lateral view, \times 0.5.



Fig. 26 Trigonias, species D, ROM 23186; occlusal view, \times 0.75.

incorporated into the hypolophid, in contrast to that tooth in ROM 23186. ROM 23187 and 23189, which retain only the molars, are not especially noteworthy. They agree closely in size with ROM 23186.

SMNH P1119.1 is of interest because it shows the I1 and the P1. The incisor is small and spatulate, and originally was partly overlaid by the procumbent I2. There was evidently a small I3. The P1 is a small ovoid tooth, slightly trenchant, with a prominent cusp at midlength and small cuspules in front and behind. This specimen is smaller and more delicate than ROM 23186, but the comparable teeth are about the same in size.

MEASUREMENTS (in millimetres)

| | Length | Width |
|---------------------|--------|-------|
| ROM 23186 | - | |
| Left P ₂ | 17.2 | 12.0 |
| Left P ₃ | 20.8 | 16.4 |
| Left P4 | 22.1 | 18.6 |
| Left M ₁ | 27.7 | 19.6 |
| Left M ₂ | 32.2 | 22.0 |
| Left M ₃ | 34.8 | 21.2 |

REMARKS

Assuming that all of these mandibular rami represent a single species, this would appear to be close to Trigonias osborni but consistently somewhat smaller. At the same time they are distinctly larger than SMNH 1635.1 and ROM 11629 (species C). The reference to Trigonias is based on the presence of nearly all specimens of P1. The exception is ROM 23188, on which P₁ evidently was absent. However, that specimen is otherwise so similar to ROM 23186 that it is included in this group tentatively as an individual variant.

Trigonias? spp.

REFERRED SPECIMENS

ROM 5932 (Fig. 27), fragment of left maxilla with P² and P³, almost unworn. ROM 23183 (Fig. 28), incomplete mandible with left and right P2 to M3. Both from Hunter Quarry.

DESCRIPTION

The crown pattern of the two teeth on ROM 5932 suggests deciduous premolars, but the absence of wear makes this unlikely. P² has distinct protoloph and metaloph, not quite connected to the ectoloph. There is a small but high conical hypostyle well clear of the metaloph. P³ is decidedly molariform except for the strong lingual cingulum and oblique lingual margin. The size is much smaller than that given by Wood (1928) for T. osborni but is similar to that of SMNH P833.1.