

Sino-Tibetan *Vulva¹

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Abstract

This paper attempts the megalocomparison of the lexeme *vulva* across a number of languages distributed throughout East and Southeast Asia. The canonical syllable of Sino-Tibetan includes a possible prefix plus root; modern *vulva* forms from Sinitic and Tibeto-Burman languages suggest their historical source was a bi-syllabic morpheme which later split into two independent roots in some languages. The author tracks the surface similarities of forms in Sinitic and Tibeto-Burman languages which lead him to propose Sino-Tibetan *dzu(k) mat and Proto-Chinese *tsɿ mat (and several variant proto-roots). These roots are based on modern forms from two major southern Sinitic languages, Min tsɿ¹ mai¹ and Kejia tsɿ¹ piət⁷, and such Tibeto-Burman languages as Written Burmese tʃok pat and Northern Hpun (Megyaw) tsù máʔ, zùʔ mà. The author suggests that Mandarin tɕi¹ pa⁹ 'penis' also shares the same historical source but has undergone a process of phonetic attrition and semantic flip-flop. Many *vulva* forms distributed across genetically related and unrelated languages of Southeast Asia and Japan appear to be related either as cognates or contact loans. The Appendix listing forms from many languages and dialects of this broad geographical area concludes the paper.

1. Introduction

This paper has three purposes: the main one is to propose a "reconstruction" for the Sino-Tibetan lexeme *vulva* based on the megalocomparison of *vulva* forms from many Sinitic and Tibeto-Burman languages. To do this I have combined Greenberg's multilateral comparison "... a method that looks at everything at once ... at many languages across a few words" (Greenberg 1987:23), with Buck's technique of sorting modern

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forms by their Indo-European etyma (Buck 1949).² My second purpose is much more modest: to revise Stimson's (1966) Middle Chinese reconstruction by drawing upon forms from a number of southern Chinese dialects which have since become available. And third, taking a cue from Matisoff's stimulating discussion of megalocomparison (1990), I have decided that while I was in the "hothouse homogenizing atmosphere of Southeast Asia" (Matisoff 1983:63) I might as well extend my net of megalocomparison and pull in phonosemantically similar forms from Benedict's Japanese/Austro-Tai family.

For Proto-Sino-Tibetan *vulva* I propose the reconstruction *dzuk mat; in addition, I propose several variant roots (for the proto-period and later), namely, *dzu mat, *dzuk, *dzu, *dzuk b(j)et, *dzu b(j)et, *bat, *b(j)et. I do not claim that I have "reconstructed" these roots because my demonstration of correspondences between initials and vowels of the proto-roots and their modern forms is both limited and tentative. In speculating on what the phonetic shapes of these roots looked like, I have been mainly guided by the modern Sinitic material; however, in examining roots reconstructed by Tibeto-Burmanists who have worked out the sound correspondences, I have happily found a high degree of phonetic congruence between their roots and mine. What is unique about my "reconstruction" is that I have gone back one step before Tibeto-Burman *bat in proposing a bilabial nasal stop initial for the root, i.e. *mat, from which the Tibeto-Burman and Sinitic reflexes of m-, b-, p-, ph-, h- are derived. The evidence for *m- comes mainly from modern Min on the Sinitic side and Northern Hpun (Mekong) on the Tibeto-Burman side. The Appendix: Proto-Sino-Tibetan *Vulva at the end of this paper classifies the modern forms for *vulva* in a number of Sino-Tibetan languages (as well as some Austro-Tai languages which appear to have Sino-Tibetan loans) under their reconstructed roots.

At the outset, I would like to set forth clearly three points that have guided my thinking in this study of the historical development of *vulva* in Sino-Tibetan languages. First, in devising one Sino-Tibetan root from which all the forms in the modern Chinese dialects and many forms in the Tibeto-Burman languages may be derived, I have in effect based the root on a unification theory which in itself may make it suspect. However, I have done this only in order to have a point from which to begin. The results of this study are very tentative, and where revisions are called for, I will gladly make them.

² Bauer 1988, now a companion piece to the present paper, first applied this combined procedure to the lexemes *tongue* and *lick*. Let me assure anyone who may think the contrary that for now I see no special ties between this pair of lexemes and *vulva*. To pinch an old pun from Matisoff (Benedict 1979:31), I'm no cunning linguist; the juxtaposition has been purely coincidental.

Second, I believe every word has a history of its own. This is not meant to imply that a particular word in the course of its historical development has defied regular sound laws. But I do not think it is surprising if a particular word has been affected by some sound changes but not others. Furthermore, we cannot rule out the possibility that a particular historical development is unique (cf. Matisoff 1972b:276). What I am saying is that we have no way of knowing all the facts about the historical development of a word so that the relationship between the modern reflex and its etymon may not be readily apparent. I have in mind the southern Sinitic forms of *Min-Hongkong tsi¹ mai¹*, *Min-Xiamen tsi¹ bai¹*, *Kejia-Sixian tsɿ¹ piet⁷*, and *Yue-Hongkong hai¹*; phonetically divergent as these forms are on the surface, I believe that all of them ultimately descend from the same historical source.

And third, I believe there is no area of the lexicon that is immune to lexical replacement — bodypart terms are no exception.³ The notion of basic vocabulary which of course includes terms for the bodyparts is a convenient heuristic device of the linguist. It helpfully distinguishes between relatively stable areas of vocabulary, such as bodypart terms and pronouns, and other areas where lexical expansion is commonly observed, such as the names of culturally-transmitted items which are simply added to the vocabulary and do not necessarily replace already existing terms. I think we need to distinguish between lexical replacement and lexical expansion, two processes which are both termed "borrowing."

A variety of situations bring speakers of different languages into contact, and as a result speakers of Language A may learn an equivalent bodypart term from Language B. Speakers of Language A may know two words for the same thing and may use both terms in variation; eventually, however, the form from B may displace the term in A if the speakers feel no need for having two ways to refer to the same thing.⁴ Further, it should go without saying that lexical replacement can take place both among genetically related and genetically unrelated languages. That two languages

³ Japanese speakers have borrowed English *pents* as *pentsu* which is used by men as often as the native word *chinko* (Solt 1982:78). Several languages of the Middle East have borrowed Arabic *kus* 'vulva': Israeli Hebrew *kus* is the vulgar slang word (Petruck 1986:104); cf. Afghan Persian *kos*, Baluchi *kus* (Nawata 1981:34), Mazandarani *kes*, Persian *kos* (Nawata 1984:29). Megalocomparativists, note Benedict's S-T root *ba t and Hebrew *po t* 'vulva' (Petruck 1986:69).

⁴ E.g. in bilingual families in which children grow up hearing the mother and father speak different languages; or in societies which deliberately use a foreign language in some domain, e.g. English as the vogue language of Japanese advertising. There are also language contact situations in which one ethnolinguistic group dominates another but language influence can move in either direction: English as the pre-eminent language of international business in the British colony of Hong Kong has strongly influenced both Cantonese phonology and vocabulary; on the other hand, the close but hostile contact between Jews and Arabs in Israel finds Hebrew absorbing vocabulary from Arabic.

are genetically unrelated does not mean there can be no relationship between their vocabularies — even if the forms are not genetic cognates, they may still be linked as loanwords. In some of the non-Tibeto-Burman languages of East and Southeast Asia terms for 'vulva' appear to be contact loans from Sino-Tibetan languages.

2.1 Previously-reconstructed Sino-Tibetan and Tibeto-Burman roots

Benedict (n.d.a:3) has reconstructed Sino-Tibetan $^{*}(s-)ba(-t)$ *vulva* derived from $^{*}(s-)bet$ 'hide/hidden' which is based on *Written Tibetan* sbéd-pa, sba 'hide, conceal' (Jäschke 1985:404) and sbá-ba 'privy parts, pudenda' (403). He has connected this root to Proto-Chinese via $^{*}pvo/puo$ 'hide oneself: escape' (GS #102d', Karlgren 1966:153) which he believes is derived from $^{*}s-ba^A$. Benedict's source of modern Chinese dialect forms (he cites *Hakka* pie^8 and *Min-Kienyang* pie^7) is Proto-Chinese $^{*}(s-)bie^t$ *vulva* from an earlier Sino-Tibetan $^{*}(s-)bat$ (n.d.a:4). [Cf. Benedict 1988:39 which listed a more phonetically detailed root $^{*}b'iët$ for Chinese and associated it with 𪛗; however, this Chinese character seems to have a relatively recent history: according to Stimson 1966:292, the graph first appeared in a dictionary of the late 17th century].

If we hypothesize a connection between Benedict's ST root $^{*}s-bat$ and *Min-Xiamen* tsi^1 ba^1 , this comparison raises several questions: (1) Can we link ST $^{*}s-$ with the initial syllable tsi^1 ? (2) Can we derive Modern Min $b-$ from ST $^{*}b-$? (3) Can we derive modern Min $-ai$ from ST $^{*}-at$? My answers to these questions are as follows: (1) At the proto-ST level I prefer a full prefixal syllable $^{*}dzu$ from which can be derived proto-Chinese $^{*}tsj$ and Min tsi^1 . (2) In the history of the Min dialects modern $b-$ initial has derived from Middle Chinese (and presumably earlier) $^{*}m-$, that is, $^{*}m-$ underwent a process of denasalization. To accommodate Min I have proposed that proto-Chinese $^{*}mat >$ proto-Min $^{*}mai >$ modern Min ba^1 . (3) At the moment I cannot point to any other lexical items in Min to demonstrate that one of the sources of proto-Min $-ai$ has been proto-Chinese $^{*}-at$; and the lack of such evidence may mean that this correspondence is unique. However, as we shall see below in section 3.1, comparable forms in Kejla dialects clearly indicate that the etymon's rhyme had a $-t$ ending.

On the Tibeto-Burman side, previous reconstructions include: Burmese-Lolo $^{*}džuk$ (Benedict 1972:53), Lolo-Burmese $^{*}b(j)et$ (Matisoff 1972a:83) and $^{*}b(j)it$ (Thurgood 1974:105),⁵ Tibeto-Burman $^{*}həi$,

⁵ Originally reconstructed as $b(y)et$ and $b(y)it$, these roots are rewritten with j as the palatal glide.

*kəi (Mausoff's roots cited in Benedict 1979:30), and Loloish *dza² batL (Bradley 1985:44). It will be noticed that among all of these Sino-Tibetan and Lolo-Burmese roots there is only one, Bradley's Loloish, that is bi-morphosyllabic. It is my view that we need to reconstruct a two-syllable root for this lexeme.

2.2 Sino-Tibetan *dzu(k) mat

I have reconstructed Sino-Tibetan *dzu(k) mat primarily on the basis of Northern Hpun (Megyaw) zù? mà - tsù má? and Written Burmese tʃok pat. The discussion below on the Min and Kejia forms in the Chinese dialects will show how the Hpun forms with their bilabial nasal initial in the second morphosyllable are the key to the Sino-Tibetan reconstruction. Written Burmese tʃok pat reflects the devoicing of the affricate initial of the first syllable; the Burmese form by itself gives no reason for reconstructing *m- but it is needed in order to accommodate m- of Northern Hpun, and m- and b- of modern Min, the source of which is *m-. The Hpun forms were recorded by Luce (Henderson 1986) in a fine phonetic transcription and for several Hpun speakers, so it is not entirely clear what the glottal stops may represent; nor is it clear whether the initial of the first morphosyllable was a voiced fricative or a voiceless affricate. The Written Burmese forms, however, indicate that both morphosyllables of the etymon had stop endings and that the first morphosyllable had a voiced affricate initial.

2.3 Sino-Tibetan *dzu(k) b(j)et

ST *dzu(k) b(j)et, another bi-morphosyllabic variant root, is based on Modern Burmese sau? pe?, Burmese-Yaw sau? phe?, Akha dō bēq, Mpi to³¹ phe³¹, Lisu tu¹ bi⁶, Central Yi tu⁵⁵ bi²¹, Bisu-Huai Chomphu tò pè, Bisu-Takò tà pè. Alongside these forms we can compare forms from Austro-Tai and Japanese: Saisiyat-Tungbo to pi?, Japanese-Tokyo tu: bi, and Japanese-Kanagawa tu bi (phonetically, the first syllable of the Japanese forms is [tsu], [t-] before [u] becomes an affricate). The striking phonosemantic similarity of these forms with those in Tibeto-Burman indicates some kind of relationship. I suggest these items may be instances of contact loans through lexical replacement across genetic lines.

2.4 Split etyma: Sino-Tibetan $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} * \text{dzu(k) mat} \\ * \text{dzu(k) bjet} \end{array} \right\} > \left\{ \begin{array}{l} * \text{dzuk} \\ * \text{dzu} \\ * \text{bat} \\ * \text{bjet} \end{array} \right\}$

Forms in some modern Tibeto-Burman and Sinitic languages indicate to me that the original bi-morphosyllabic roots split into mono-morphosyllabic roots, i.e. both the first and second morphosyllables of the roots developed into independent, monosyllabic morphemes. To identify an etymon that undergoes this kind of split we may use the term *split etymon*.⁶

The Tibeto-Burman foundation of these reconstructed monosyllabic roots is based on the following forms:

1. *dzuk > rGyarong-bTsan Lha ʔo Ndzyuk, rGyarong-lCog rtse ʔu sytuk, Written Burmese tʃok, Maru tʃok, Atsi tʃuʔ, Chang Naga ʃuk, Northern Hpun (Megyaw) soʔ.

2. *dzu > Chin (Zo)-Haka (Lai) tʃhu¹, Written Tibetan stu, Tibetan-Glo tu, Thakall tu, Manang-Prakaa tu, Chin (Zo)-Ahraing K'umt thu¹, Chin (Zo)-Wo Ma Tu fu¹, Karen-Palaychi zù [a contact loan; cf. other Karen languages: Bassein Pho lénʔ, Moulmein Pho lén, Taungthu lîn, Moulmein Sgaw lî, Bassein Sgaw lî]. Benedict (letter dated May 5, 1988) suggests the source of the Tibetan forms is Tibeto-Burman *(s-)tu 'join'.

3. *bat > Sak-Bawtala 2äpaʔ², Ganai paʔ⁴, Kadu (Kantu) paʔ³.

4. *b(j)et > Sak-Dodem äpet, Kanauri phe:ts, Akha à bèq, Lahu tʃha pèʔ, Sani pæ⁵⁵, Haoni tsò p₁, Southern Yi pi⁵⁵, Moso-Weihsu pi³¹.

We also find listed under this root one form from Austro-Tai: White Miao (=Petchabun) piʔ (low tone). Benedict (1975:417) derives piʔ from Proto-Miao-Yao *biʔ; however, the similarity of piʔ (and even *biʔ itself) to forms in Tibeto-Burman languages as well as to the Wu and Min forms of Sinitic (to be discussed below) suggests that the Miao form may very likely be a loan from some Sino-Tibetan language.

⁶ Split etymon is at the opposite end of split cognate, a term that has been defined by Matisoff as "cognates that have reflexes of at most one given proto-phoneme in common, since they descend from different syllables of a polysyllabic etymon" (Matisoff 1990:117). In view of the material presented here, I would like to propose another way of analyzing a polysyllabic root and modify his definition by replacing "of at most one" with "of one or more". This is to say that at a later stage a bi-syllabic proto-root can split up into two independent mono-syllabic roots, each of which is derived from one of the original syllables: i.e., Time 1, AB → Time 2, A and B; the modern lexical reflexes of A (or B) can share one or more segmental reflexes of the proto-phonemes making up the phonetic shape of A (or B).

3.1 ST *dzu mat > Proto-Chin. *tsɿ mat > S. Sinit. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} *tsɿ \text{ mai} \\ *tsɿ \text{ bjət} \end{array} \right\}$

In reconstructing the Chinese root, we cannot look to the Chinese characters for help because there are no graphs which have been associated with this morpheme in older stages of the Chinese dialects (cf. Stimson 1966:292 concerning 𡵓 ascribed to the late 17th century). Forms from the modern Min and Kejia dialects provide the basis for the reconstructed root.

ST *dzu mat, a variant root in which the velar stop-ending of the first morphosyllable has been lost, is proposed as the source of Proto-Chinese *tsɿ mat. The major sound change occurred in the first morphosyllable: devoicing of the initial and centralization of the vowel. My bi-syllabic reconstruction is more complex than Middle Chinese *pɛi proposed by Stimson (1966:293) who claimed on the basis of forms from Mandarin, Taiwan Kejia, and Taiwan Min that the Middle Chinese etymon for *vulva* did not have a -p, -t, -k ending characteristic of the Rusheng tone category. Further, his monomorphosyllabic root took no account of the bimorphosyllabic shape of the Kejia and Min forms.

However, the following forms from several Kejia dialects found in Guangdong clearly indicate that the etymon was bimorphosyllabic and that the second syllable did indeed belong to the Rusheng tone category: *Kejia-Danshui* tsɿ¹ pet⁷; *Kejia-Sixian* tsɿ¹ piet⁷; *Kejia-Wuhua* tsɿ¹ piet⁷; *Kejia* (Maciver 1982/1926) tɕi¹ piet⁷.

Most Min dialects show forms which are very similar to *Min-Taibei* tɕi¹ mai¹. As mentioned above, modern Min b- has developed from *m-, and *Min-Hong Kong* tɕi¹ mai¹ still reflects the older initial. There is also the problem of how to account for the loss of the -t ending in Min, since some of the Min dialects such as *Xiamen* preserve fairly faithfully the series of final stops -p, -t, -k. At the moment, although I cannot point to any parallel examples of an actual correspondence, I am proposing that Min -ai is one of the modern reflexes of proto-Chinese -at. Further, in ancestral Min when the -t ending was reduced to the i-offglide, the morphosyllable changed its tone category, i.e. *mai became reassigned to Yin Ping (perhaps it was influenced by the tone of the preceding syllable tsɿ¹).

I believe the bisyllabic Kejia and Min forms are ultimately related to the same etymon, but in the course of their development these reflexes have preserved different phonetic features of the etymon: for the second morphosyllable, the Kejia forms have kept the original Rusheng ending; while the Min forms, on the other hand, have lost the -t ending but have preserved the voiced initial and low vowel. At an early stage of the Old Chinese period the source language of modern Kejia, Yue, and Min or southern Sinitic (comparable to Norman's (1988:210) Old Southern Chinese) divided into at least two groups of speakers from whose languages

the Min and Kejia dialects have developed. For each proto-dialect family the final of the second morphosyllable developed in different ways, which is reflected in the reconstruction of two variant proto-roots; Proto-Min *ts₁ mai and Proto-Kejia *ts₁ bjet.

3.2 Split etymon 1: *ts₁ mat > $\left\{ \begin{matrix} *ts_1 \\ *bjet \end{matrix} \right\}$

The concept of split etymon can help us explain the existence of two phonetically distinctive mono-morphosyllabic forms in some of the modern Chinese dialects. I suggest that these forms are monosyllabic reflexes of the historical bimorphosyllabic etymon *ts₁ mat which split into two independent monosyllabic roots *ts₁ and *bjet:

1. *ts₁ > Min-Chaoyang ts₁¹, Min-Yongan ts₁¹, Pinghua-Lingyue tse₁¹, Kejia tsi₁¹ (MacIver 1982/1926), Kejia-Hailu tsi₁¹.

2. *bjet > Gan-Nanchang piet⁷, Gan-Gaoan piet⁷, Kejia-Xinzhong pit⁷ pit⁷, Xiang-Changsha pie⁷, Min-Chaozhou phi⁷⁸, Wu-Pujiang phi⁷⁴², Wu-Wenling phi⁷⁴⁴, Wu-Songyang phi⁷⁴⁴, Min-Shaowu pie⁷ pie, Wu-Qingtian bi²², Wu-Yongjia bi³³, Wu-Wenzhou pe₁¹, Mandarin-Beijing pi₁¹, Mandarin-Guilin pæ₁¹, Kejia-Hutzhou pe₁¹, Mandarin-Xian phi₁¹.

The *bjet rime developed from *mat through the raising and fronting of *-a-, which led to the acquisition of an j-on glide in some Kejia, Gan, and Wu dialects.

3.3 Split etymon 2: *ts₁ mai → *mai → *bai → *phai → Yue hai₁¹

From the point of view of their retention of the Rusheng endings, the Yue dialects are considered to be among the most conservative of the southern dialects. So, in relation to Kejia and Min, the Yue dialect forms such as Yue-Hong Kong hai₁¹ seem somewhat deviant with the h- initial instead of a bilabial stop, the absence of a Rusheng ending, and the mono-morphosyllable. Stimson (1966:292) implied that the Yue dialects did not share the same etymon as his other modern Min and Kejia dialect forms. Nevertheless, in comparison to Mandarin and Min, the tone and rhyme of Yue-Hong Kong hai₁¹ are right; further, the existence of ph- for some Wu and Min (as well as Mandarin-Xian) dialects (forms listed under *bjet in the Appendix) indicates that ph- as well as p- have developed from *b-. Such a development raises the possibility for the further development of ph- namely that the stop initial may have lost its labial plosive quality leaving only the aspiration behind as the initial.

There is evidence in Sinitic to support a scenario in which a glottal fricative initial is derived from an aspirated stop initial: e.g., modern Yue-Taishan h- corresponds to Yue-Guangzhou th- and kh- (as well as several other) initials (Huang 1990:232-244) — these stop initials more faithfully reflect their historical sources. For Cantonese I propose that the proto-root *tsɿ mai split into two roots, *tsɿ and *mai; the initial of *mai underwent several developments: *mai > *bai > *phaɪ (and *pai) > *hai¹. Hence, I include Yue in this etymology. Also, cf. *Kejia-Zhongshan* hai⁵ pai³ which seems to have joined the two syllables together.

On the Tibeto-Burman side, cf. Matisoff's roots *həi and *kəi (Benedict 1979:30) based on *Tankhur Naga* həi 'sexual organ of women', *Limbu hi* (ra) 'vulva', *Mru kai* 'vulva'.

Stimson (1966:293) rejected any link between Yue-Guangzhou hai¹ and *Siamese* hi:¹; however, Benedict (n.d.b:3) has claimed a very early donor connection between Tai *hi:¹ and Yue hai¹ in which Cantonese borrowed the lexeme from Tai. Still within Kadai, cf. *Zhuang* ma:i⁶ with the bilabial nasal stop initial.

3.4 Lexical replacement in Kejia

A number of Kejia dialects have been in close contact with Min dialects and have borrowed from Min their forms for *vulva*: *Kejia-Meixian* tsɿ¹ pai²; *Kejia-Sixian* tsɿ¹ pai² (apparently in variation with tsɿ¹ piet⁷); *Kejia-Yongding* tsɿ¹ pai²; *Kejia-Pinghe* tɕi¹ pai²; *Kejia-Taidong* tsɿ¹ pai² - tɕi¹ pai². In the Min dialects the two morphosyllables belong to the same tone category but the first morphosyllable undergoes tone sandhi. For the Kejia forms the different tone categories may correspond to differences in phonetic contours of the sandhied and original tones of the Min morphosyllables at the time they were borrowed into Kejia.

3.5 Semantic flipflop

In the northern and central Mandarin dialects and in at least one southern Wu dialect the phonetic shape of the common term for penis is very similar to the phonetic shape of the term for vulva in the southern dialects of Min and Kejia:

Wu-Longyu:	tɕi ⁴² pa ²⁵⁴
Mandarin-Beijing:	tɕi ¹ pa ⁹
Mandarin-Changzhi:	tɕi ¹ pa ¹
Mandarin-Xiaogan:	tɕi ¹ pa ⁹
Mandarin-Wuhan:	tɕi ¹ pa ⁹

Chinese dictionaries and novels typically transcribe this word as 雞巴 (the first character means 'chicken' and the second is a nominal suffix. (One might even see some accidental semantic similarity between the Chinese form and English "cock" = penis). The choice of this graph may have been in recognition of the similar shapes of the (uncircumcised) penis and chicken's head and neck; this would then be a case of folk etymologizing which found a fortuitous match between sound and meaning. I suggest that such forms ultimately descend from *tɕɿ mat 'vulva'.

It is interesting to note that the same bipolar transposition in meaning of historically related lexical items so that in one language the word means *vulva* but in another *penis* has been described by linguists working with other languages of the Southeast Asian area: Matisoff (1978:271), citing examples (from Benedict 1975) in Formosan languages, has termed this development "interlingual antonymic association." Benedict (1979:21) has described the phenomenon in Karen as "genital flipflop."

Chinese semantic flipflop may have been just one consequence of the differentiation of the dialects brought about by their increasing geographical separation on the one hand and contact-borrowing among the dialects on the other. The forms for *vulva* in the northern, central, and eastern dialects are typically the monosyllabic form pɿ [< *b(j)et] or something similar, rather than the bisyllabic words found in Kejia and Min.

Right now in Taiwan we can observe the effects of near homophony of terms meaning *penis* and *vulva* created by contact between mutually unintelligible Mandarin and Taiwanese. When mainlanders who were predominantly Mandarin-speaking evacuated to Taiwan in large numbers in the late 1940's, they brought with them Mandarin tɕi¹ pa⁹ 'penis'. However, because of its near homophony with Taiwanese tɕi¹ pai¹ 'vulva' and the confusion and consternation this has caused, younger people who are typically bilingual in Taiwan Mandarin and Taiwanese have shied away from using Mandarin tɕi¹ pa⁹ and appear to be replacing it with 老二 lao⁴ ㄜ⁶ (literally, 'old two').

3.6 Semantic shift

When the bi-morphosyllabic root *dzuk mat split into independent morphemes, in some languages or even within the same language, *ma retained its original meaning for the bodypart, while *dzuk shifted its meaning to the related activity *copulate*. Two Tibeto-Burman languages may reflect this kind of development: Atsi-Sadon tsho[?] 'copulate' (but also c tɕu[?] 'vulva') and Kanauri tsuk (ʃimig) 'copulate' (ʃimig = verb suffix). A comparable semantic shift in ST *dzuk may have occurred among Chinese dialects: cf. Gan-Gaoan tshok⁷, Gan-Nanchang tshok⁷, Wu-Shanghai tsho[?]?, Mandarin-Beijing tshau⁵, Wu-Wenzhou tɕuo

'copulate'. Finally, *dzuk may have been borrowed into at least one Austronesian language: cf. Malay ancuk 'copulate, unite with' (Abas 1983:14).

4. Austro-Tai *tup1 < *ts1 mat

In the course of working with materials on Austro-Tai languages, I have been struck by the phonetic similarity of some of their *vulva* forms with those in Tibeto-Burman languages. Have there been historical contact relationships among languages of these two groups resulting in lexical borrowing? Of course. This means that many modern Austro-Tai forms ultimately derive from roots reconstructed for Sino-Tibetan. Intimate and prolonged contact among the various languages of Southeast Asia has resulted in the mutual exchange of vocabulary items (cf. Matisoff 1983:62-64), and I believe this includes the lexeme *vulva*. So-called core vocabulary is not impervious to lexical replacement or addition. The distribution of related forms extends throughout East and Southeast Asia and includes Taiwan, Japan and the Ryukyuan Islands, and islands in the South Pacific. As the source of Proto-Austro-Tai *tup1 I propose *ts1 mat, the same proto-variant root proposed for southern Chinese which I believe was the donor source of the Austro-Tai root. Before I explain my reasoning behind this claim, let us first reconsider reconstructions for Proto-Tai and Proto-Austro-Tai.

At the Proto-Tai level Li F. K. (1977:250) has reconstructed glottal fricative *h- Initial based on the modern Southwest and Central Tai dialects which have similar forms, hi or hi: and tone 1. The close similarity between Tai and Yue leads me to agree with Benedict (n.d.b:3) that some kind of contact donor relationship links their forms: we note the correspondence between the historical tone categories and initial consonants of Siamese hi:¹ and Yue-Guangzhou hai¹. As mentioned above in Section 3.3, Benedict (n.d.b:3) has claimed that the Yue form is an early loan from Tai, but I reserve judgment on this matter.

Benedict (1975:417) has reconstructed Proto-Tai *hi (but more recently *hi¹ in n.d.b:3) which he derived from *hN1 (this root in turn is derived from an earlier *hNG1). He has also reconstructed Proto-Miao-Yao *bi? which he claimed is derived from an earlier possible disyllabic root *biq[i] (< *buq[i]). However, I believe that White Miao p1? (with low tone and cited in Benedict 1975:417) is fairly similar to Chinese dialect forms and is more likely a loan from some Chinese dialect; cf. Min-Chaozhou phi?⁸ (Choy 1976:312), Wu-Songyang phi?⁴⁴ (Ballard 1988).

Recently, Benedict has attempted to join Japanese to his Austro-Tai group. With respect to the lexeme in question, he (1990:258) has

reconstructed Proto-Austro-Kadai *tup1 based on Saisiyat *topi? (but cited incorrectly in text as top1 without final -?); *tup1 is the source of Proto-Austronesian *tup1 and *pip1, Proto-Kadai *[SYL]piC (< [tu]p1), Proto-Polynesian *fifi1, Proto-Atayalic *pipi? (from Atayal pipi1 [Egerod 1980:470], Old Japanese *Fivi1. Benedict also cited forms from two Ryukyuan dialects, Yonaguni hi1 and Shodon hwi(1), whose development he believes has followed in tandem with Japanese. With respect to Benedict's root *tup1, we can compare additional Japanese dialect forms by prefecture: Japanese-Tokyo and Kanagawa tu:bi1; Japanese-Ibaraki, Toyama, Aomori, Tokushima, Tokyo, Shizuoka, Nagano Yamanashi be be; Japanese-Kagoshima and Okinawa hi1; Japanese-Okinawa pi1 (Narusawa 1986:128); Japanese-Okinagawabima bi:bi1, bi:bi1, bi:bi1 (Nakamoto 1981:77). Similar forms occur in neighboring languages cf. Batanic languages of the Philippines, Iwasay bi:bi1 and Isanoreng bi:bi1 (Tsuchida et al 1987:); Mokilese pi1 (Harrison & Albert 1977:67).

With Benedict's root *tup1 we can compare very similar bi-syllabic forms from several Tibeto-Burman languages: Lisu tu1b16; Central Yi tu51 pi31; Akha dō bēq; Mpi to31 phe31; Blisu-Hual Chomphu tō pē. Monosyllabic forms from Tibeto-Burman and Sinitic languages also show similarities with the Austro-Tai forms cited above: Sant pe55, Southern Y p155, Moso-Weihs p151; Hunan-Loudi bi12, Mandarin-Beijing pi1, Kejia Huitzhou pe3, Mandarin-Guilin pē1. One is certainly struck by the close phonetic similarity of the Lisu and Central Yi forms to the Austro-Tai root. I do not believe that this similarity is fortuitous, and claim that it has resulted from the diffusion of these forms into neighboring languages.

5. Conclusion

The fulcrum on which Sino-Tibetan *dzuk mat pivots is my two-part speculation: (1) that Northern Hpun (Megyaw) zù? mà ~ tsù má? and Burmese-Written tfo k pat derive from the same etymon, and (2) that these Tibeto-Burman forms are historically related to two important forms from Sinitic, Kejia-Sixian *tsj1 piet7 and Min-Hongkong *tci1 mai1. But it is primarily from the Tibeto-Burman forms that *dzuk mat takes its phonetic shape.

Sino-Tibetanists may envy the highly polished shine on sound laws established for Proto-Indo-European, but such a feeling is tempered with the knowledge that the polishing process spans over 200 years of cumulative efforts. In contrast, the sound correspondences between Proto-Sino-Tibetan and modern Sinitic and Tibeto-Burman languages worked out over a few decades still stand at an early stage of development (cf. Norman 1988:12-16; Chang 1973:337). Bridging the gap between the Sinitic and Tibeto-Burman branches constitutes the main challenge of Sino-Tibetan studies. Thus the Sino-Tibetan world eagerly awaits the appearance of the

first fascicle on bodypart terms to be published soon by Jim Matisoff's *Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary and Thesaurus* project at the University of California-Berkeley. Till then, I hope my own speculative and tentative attempt to develop the Sino-Tibetan etymology of one word can take us a small step in the right direction. The larger task of tracing the historical developments of the root's initials and finals in individual Tibeto-Burman and Sinitic languages still remains.

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APPENDIX

Proto-Sino-Tibetan *Vulva

Reconstructed Roots and Their Reflexes

Sino-Tibetan: *dzuk mat, *dzu mat

ST Variants: *dzu mat, *dzuk, *dzu, *dzuk b(j)et - *dzu b(j)et, *mat, *b(j)et

Proto-Chinese: *tsɿ mat < ST *dzu(k) mat

Sinitic Variants: *tsɿ mai, *tsɿ bjet, *tsɿ, *bjet, *phjet, *mai, *dzuk

1.	*tsɿ mai < *dzu ma	
Min-Hongkong	tɕi ¹ mai ¹	(Bauer 1986)
Min-Yilan (Taiwan)	tɕi ¹ bai ¹	(Lan 1980:233)
Min-Yongchun (Fujian)	tsi ¹ bai ¹	(Lin 1987:315)
Min-Dongshandao (Fujian)	tsi ¹ bai ¹	(Nakajima 1979:138)
Min-Dongshandao (Fujian)	tsi ¹ bai ¹ a ²	(Nakajima 1979:138)
Min-Taipei (Taiwan)	tɕi ¹ bai ¹	(Bauer 1986)
Min-Fuqing (Fujian)	tsi ¹ pe ¹	(Feng 1988:296)
Min-Fuzhou (Fujian)	tsi ¹ ɕe ³	(Nakajima 1979:138)
Min-Zhongshan (Guangdong)	tsi ² bai ³	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Kejia-Meixian (Guangdong)	tsɿ ¹ pai ²	(Hashimoto 1972:5)
Kejia-Sixian (Guangdong)	tsɿ ¹ pai ²	(Hashimoto 1972:5)
Kejia-Yongding (Fujian)	tsɿ ¹ pai ²	(Huang 1983:231)
Kejia-Pinghe (Fujian)	tɕi ¹ pai ²	(Bauer 1985)
Kejia-Taidong (Taiwan)	tɕi ¹ pai ²	(Bauer 1986)
Kejia-Taidong (Taiwan)	tsɿ ¹ pai ²	(Bauer 1986)
Kejia (Guangdong)	tɕi ¹ pai ²	(Maciver 1982:606)
Mandarin-Changzhi (Shanxi)	tɕi ¹ pa ¹ = penis	(Hou 1985:85)
Mandarin-Beijing	tɕi ¹ pa ⁹ = penis	(Bauer 1985)

2.	*tsɿ bjet < *dzu mat	
Kejia-Danshui (Guangdong)	tsi ¹ pet ⁷	(Bauer 1986)
Kejia-Dongguan (Guangdong)	tsi ¹ pet ⁷	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Kejia-Shenzhen (Guangdong)	tsi ¹ pet ⁷	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Kejia-Conghua (Guangdong)	tsi ¹ pet ⁷	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Kejia-Sixian (Guangdong)	tsɿ ¹ piet ⁷	(Hashimoto 1972:5)
Kejia-Wuhua (Guangdong)	tsɿ ¹ piet ⁷ [tsɿ ¹ biet ⁷]	(Bauer 1985)
Kejia (Guangdong)	tɕi ¹ piet ⁷	(Maciver 1982:606)

3. $*ts_1 < *dzu$
- | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Min-Yongan (Fujian) | ts_1^3 | (Nakajima 1979:138) |
| Kejia-Hallu (Guangdong) | $tʃi^1$ | (Norman 1988:241) |
| Kejia (Guangdong) | $tʃi^1$ | (Maciver 1982:21) |
| Min-Chaozhou (Guangdong) | tsi^1 | (Choy 1976:431) |
| Min-Chaoyang (Fujian) | tsi^1 | (Nakajima 1979:138) |
| Wu-Wenzhou (Zhejiang) | $tʃi^1 tʃi^1$ | (Nakajima 1983:621) |
- 'baby term for vulva/penis'
- | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Mandarin-Taiyuan (Shanxi) | $pæ^3 tʃi^1$ | (Wen 1981:305) |
| Lingui (Guangxi) | $tsei^1$ | (Bauer 1985) |
4. $*bjet < *mat$
- | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Gan-Nanchang (Jiangxi) | $piet^7$ | (Xiong 1983:68) |
| Gan-Ruijin (Jiangxi) | $piet^7$ | (Luo 1989:160) |
| Gan-Gaoan (Jiangxi) | $piet^7$ | (Yan 1982a:80) |
| Gan-Anyi (Jiangxi) | $piet^7$ | (Gao 1988:133) |
| Yue-Jiangmen (Guangdong) | pit^7 | (Zhan, Cheung 1988:204) |
| Kejia-Xinzhu (Taiwan) | $pit^7 pit^7$ | (Bauer 1990) |
| Wu-Quzhou (Zhejiang) | $ɕia^{32} pie^{23}$ | (Ballard 1988) |
| Xiang-Changsha (Hunan) | pie^7 | (Bauer 1985) |
| Min-Shaowu (Fujian) | pie^5-pie | (Norman 1987:100) |
| Wu-Wenzhou (Zhejiang) | pe^{17} | (Nakajima 1983:621) |
| Wu-Shanghai | $ɦbi^2 ka^? ts_1$ | (Sherard 1982:157) |
| Wu-Qingtian (Zhejiang) | bi^{22} | (Ballard 1988) |
| Wu-Yongjia (Zhejiang) | bi^{33} | (Ballard 1988) |
| Loudi (Hunan) | bi^2 | (Yan, Liu 1990:158) |
| Mandarin-Beijing | pi^1 | (Bauer 1985) |
| Mandarin-Changzhi (Shanxi) | pi^1 | (Hou 1985:85) |
| Mandarin-Xinzhou (Shanxi) | pi^1 | (Wen 1985:34) |
| Mandarin-Dunhuang (Gansu) | pi^1 | (Liu Ling 1988:153) |
| Mandarin-Wuhan (Hubei) | pi^1 | (Bauer 1985) |
| Shaoyang (Hunan) | pi^1 | (Bao 1989:200) |
| Gaoqiao (Hunan) | pi^1 | (Zhang, Wang, Shen 1988:281) |
| Mandarin-Guiyang (Guizhou) | pi^1 | (Wang 1981:125) |
| Mandarin-Luzhou (Guangxi) | pi^1 | (Bauer 1985) |
| Kejia (Guangdong) | pi^1 | (Maciver 1982:606) |
| Mandarin-Ltsi (Jiangsu) | pi^1 | (Lu 1986:65) |
| Lianshui (Jiangsu) | pi^1 | (Hu 1989:133) |
| Mandarin-Yuexi (Anhui) | pi^1 | (Chu 1987:285) |
| Mandarin-Taiyuan (Shanxi) | $pæ^3 pi^1$ | (Wen 1981:305) |
| Mandarin-Xuzhou (Jiangsu) | $pi^1 ɕiɕi^1 ts_1^9$ | (Li 1985:124) |
| Wu-Shanghai | pi^{11} | (Sherard 1982:158) |
| Jixi (Anhui) | pi^1 | (Zhao 1989:128) |

Mandarin-Guiling (Guangxi)	pæ ¹	(Yang 1982:146)
Mandarin-Tianjin (Hebei)	pa ¹ tsɿ ⁹	(Li, Liu 1986:72)
Kejia-Huizhou (Guangdong)	pe ¹	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Min-Yilan (Taiwan)	gio ² pe ¹	(Lan 1980:234)
Wu-Wenzhou (Zhejiang)	pø ³	(Nakajima 1983:621)

5.	*phjet < *bjet	
Wu-Wenling (Zhejiang)	phie ²⁴⁴	(Ballard 1988)
Wu-Pujiang (Zhejiang)	phie ²⁴²	(Ballard 1988)
Wu-Jinhua (Zhejiang)	lo ⁴⁴ phie ²²²	(Ballard 1988)
Min-Chaozhou (Guangdong)	phi ²⁸	(Choy 1976:312)
Wu-Songyang (Zhejiang)	phr ²⁴⁴	(Ballard 1988)
Mandarin-Xining (Qinghai)	phj ¹	(Zhang, Zhu 1987:151)
Mandarin-Xian (Shaanxi)	phi ¹	(Bauer 1985)

6.	*phai < *bai < *mai < *tsɿ mai	
Min-Yilan (Taiwan)	bai ¹ a ³ 'baby term'	(Lan 1980:234)
Kejia-Zhongshan (Guangdong)	hai ⁵ pai ³	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Yue-Taihsan (Guangdong)	hai ¹	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Yue-Hongkong	hai ¹	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Yue-Jiangmen (Guangdong)	hei ²	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Yue-Xinhui (Guangdong)	hæi ¹	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Yue-Jintian (Hongkong)	hei ¹	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)
Kejia-Dongguan (Guangdong)	hoi ¹	(Zhan, Cheung 1988:204)

7.	*dzuk 'to copulate'	
Gan-Nanchang (Jiangxi)	tshok ⁷	(Xiong 1983:68)
Gan-Gaoan (Jiangxi)	tshok ⁷	(Yan 1982b:235)
Wu-Shanghai	tsho ⁷⁷	(Sherard 1982:158)
Mandarin-Beijing	tshau ⁵	(Bauer 1985)
Wu-Wenzhou (Zhejiang)	tɕuo ¹	(Nakajima 1983:621)
Mandarin-Lüsi (Jiangsu)	ziə ² pi ¹ 'copulate'	(Lu 1986:65)

Proto-Tibeto-Burman Variants:

*dzuk mat ~ *dzu mat, *dzuk b(j)et, *dzuk - *dzu, *mat,
*b(j)et, *hæi, *kæi

Previous Reconstructions:

Burmese-Lolo:	*dʒuk	(Benedict 1972:53)
Kukish:	*tʃhu	(Shafer 1952:15)
Lolo-Burmese:	*b(j)et	(Matisoff 1972:30)
Loloish:	*dza ² bat ^L	(Bradley 1985:44)
Tibeto-Burman:	*hæi, *kæi	(Matisoff's roots cited Benedict 1979:30)

1. **dzuk ma*
 Hpun-Northern (Megyaw) *zù? mà* (Henderson 1986:128)
'pudenda (female)'
 Burmese-Written *tʃok pat* (Bradley 1986)
 Burmese-Modern *sau? pa?* (Yabu 1980:169)
2. **dzu ma*
 Hpun-Northern (Megyaw) *tsù má? 'vulva'* (Henderson 1986:133)
 Bodo *tʃi pha* (Benedict 1979:23)
 Dimasa *si pau* (Benedict 1979:23)
 Rawang *mə zɔ* (Benedict 1979:23)
 Chin (Zo)-Lai Len Pi *mə tʃhu¹* (Luce 1985:86)
3. **dzuk b(j)et - *dzu b(j)et*
 Burmese-Modern *sau? pɛ?* (Yabu 1980:169)
 Burmese-Yaw *sau? phe?* (Yabu 1980:169)
 Akha *dɔ̀ bɛ? 'cunt'* (Brun 1973:157)
 Mpi *to³¹ phe³¹* (Bradley 1986)
 Bisu-Hual Chomphu *tɔ̀ pɛ* (Bradley 1988:4)
 Bisu-Takl *tà pɛ* (Bradley 1988:4)
 Mru *tǎ pə¹ 'to copulate'* (Luce 1985:91)
 Lisu *tu¹ bi⁶* (Bradley 1986)
 Central Yi *tu⁵⁵ bi³¹* (Bradley 1986)
4. **dzuk*
 Maru *dʒok* (Benedict 1972:53)
 rGyarong-bTsan Lha *ʔo Ndʒjuk* (Nagano 1979:39)
 rGyarong-lCog rtse *ʔu sʃtuk* (Nagano 1979:39)
 Kanauri *tsuk (jimig)* (Bailey 1910:695)
'copulate (vb suffix)'
 Burmese-Written *tʃok* (Benedict 1979:23)
 Tangsa *tsut 'vagina'* (Bandyopadhyay 1989:87)⁷
 Atsi *dʒu?* (Benedict 1979:23)
 Atsi-Sadon *tʃu?* (Yabu 1982:21)
 Atsi-Sadon *tʃho? 'to copulate'* (Yabu 1982:21)
 Chang Naga *fūk* (Hutton 1987:115)
 Hpun-Northern (Megyaw) *só? 'vagina'* (Henderson 1986:133)
5. **dzu*
 Vayu *dʒu-dʒu* (Shafer 1952:15)

⁷ Other apparently related forms are Tangsa *tsit* 'penis' and *tsát* 'intercourse' [op. cit. p. 86]. [Ed.]

Lushel	tʃhu	(Shafer 1952:15)
Chin (Zo)-Haka (Lai)	tʃhu ¹	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Lushel	tʃh'u ²	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Me Ra (Darling)	tʃhu ¹	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Loto (Hriangpi)	tʃhə ³	(Luce 1985:86)
Tibetan-Written	stu	(Qu, Tan 1983:21)
Gyarung	te stu	(Benedict 1979:23)
rGyarong-Tzu Ta	te ʃtu	(Nagano 1979:39)
rGyarong-Suo Mo	te ʃtu	(Nagano 1979:39)
Tibetan-Written	rtu	(Nagano 1978:9)
Tibetan-Glo	tu	(Nagano 1982a:487)
Tibetan-Lhasa	tu	(Nagano 1982b:91)
Tibetan-Kag	tu	(Nagano 1982b:91)
Tibetan-Zhar	tu	(Nagano 1982b:91)
Tibetan-Dangar	tu	(Nagano 1982b:91)
Thakali	tu	(Benedict 1979:23)
Manang-Prakaa	tu ³	(Hoshi 1984:160)
Manang-Gyaru	tu ¹	(Nagano 1984:208)
Chin (Zo)-Ahraing K'umi	thu ¹	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Ma Tu Pi	thu ⁴	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Zo Tung	thu ⁵	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Tan P'um	thu ⁵	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Awa K'umi	ǎthu	(Luce 1985:86)
Lepcha	a tũ	(Benedict 1979:23)
Karen-Palaychi	zũ	(Burling 1969:60)
Chin (Zo)-Kualsim	shu ¹	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Hualngeu	shu ²	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Tedim	shu ²	(Luce 1985:86)
Chin (Zo)-Asho (Sandoway)	ǎ'fũ ²	(Luce 1985:87)
Chin (Zo)-Wo Ma Tu	ʃu ³	(Luce 1985:87)
Chin (Zo)-Xongsai	ʃu ² , su ²	(Luce 1985:86)

6.	*bat < *mat	
Sak-Bawtala	zǎpa ⁴	(Luce 1985:62)
Ganan	pa ⁴	(Luce 1985:62)
Kadu (Kantu)	pa ³	(Luce 1985:62)
Sak-Bawtala	ǎpau	(Luce 1985:62)

7.	*b(j)et < *mat	
Sak-Dodem	ǎpet	(Luce 1985:62)
Akha	ǎ bɛ?	(Benedict 1979:31)
Lahu	tʃa pɛ?	(Benedict 1979:31)
Kanauri	phe:ts	(Bailey 1910:702)

Tangsa	pè 'vagina'	(Bandyopadhyay 1989:80)
Phunol	pè tò	(Benedict 1979:31)
Sani	pæ ⁵⁵	(Bradley 1986)
Sani	pɛ ⁵⁵	(Wu et al 1984:4)
Haoni	tsò p _l	(Bradley 1985:44)
Southern Yi	pi ⁵⁵	(Bradley 1986)
Moso-Weihsí	pi ⁵¹	
Tamang	pi tʃi	(Benedict 1979:31)
Bahing	pi si	(Benedict 1979:31)

8.	*həi, *kəi	
Limbu	hi rā	(Benedict 1979:30)
Tangkhor Naga	hai [həi]	(Bhat 1969:68)
Mru	hai ²	(Luce 1985:88)

Austro-Tai Variants:

*bat, *mat, *dzu b(j)et, *dzuk, *dzu, *b(j)et

1.	*bat	
Sul	pat ⁷	(Benedict n.d.a:3)
2.	*dzu b(j)et	
Saisiyat-Tungbo	topi?	(Li J.K. 1978:163)
Saisiyat-Taai	topi?	(Li J.K. 1978:163)
Japanese-Kanagawa	tubi	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Japanese-Tokyo	tu:bi	(Narusawa 1986:128)
3.	*dzuk	
Isamorong	tʃoktʃok	(Tsuchida et al 1987:43)
	'sexual intercourse (to have)'	
Malay	ancuk	(Abas 1983:14)
	'to copulate, unite with'	
Indonesian	ancuk	(KBITH 1976:20)
	'to copulate'	
Japanese-Shizuoka	otʃoko	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Be	du? ⁵	(Hashimoto 1980:158)
4.	*dzu	
Japanese-Osaka	otʃotʃo	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Japanese-Tokushima	ososo	(Narusawa 1986:128)
5.	*mat	
Japanese-Yamagata	maʃfo	(Narusawa 1986:128)

Zhuang-Wuming	ma:i ⁶	(ZHCH 1984:501)
6.	*b(j)et	
Japanese-Akita	beŋa	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Babuyan	obet	(Tsuchida et al 1987:42)
Ivasay	ovet	(Tsuchida et al 1987:42)
Isamorong	ovet	(Tsuchida et al 1987:42)
Isamorong	isbit	(Tsuchida et al 1987:42)
Japanese-Miyagi	beŋfo	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Japanese-Ishikawa	tfa be	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Japanese-Saga	tfa n be	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Fiji	mbe mbe	(Dyen 1970:437)
Japanese-Ibaraki	bebe	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Japanese-Tokyo	bebe	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Mulam (Mulao)	pε ⁶	(Benedict n.d.a:3)
Japanese-Okinagarabejima	bi:bi:	(Nakamoto 1981:77)
Japanese-Okinagarabejima	bi:bi	(Nakamoto 1981:77)
Ivasay	bi:bi	(Tsuchida et al 1987:42)
Japanese-Okinagarabejima	bibi	(Nakamoto 1981:77)
Isamorong	bibi	(Tsuchida et al 1987:42)
Atayal	pipi?	(Egerod 1980:470)
Miao-White	pɿ? (low checked tone)	(Benedict 1975:417)
Japanese-Okinawa	pi:	(Nakamoto 1981:77)
Japanese-Amami Oshima	pi	(Nakamoto 1981:77)
Mokilese	pi	(Harrison, Albert 1977:162)
Japanese-Kikaijima	phi	(Nakamoto 1981:77)
Japanese	hehe	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Zhuang-Wuming	hi ¹	(ZHCH 1984:425)
Tai Khamti	hi ⁴	(Harris 1976:138)
Lao	hi	(Li F.K. 1977:253)
Ahom	hi	(Li F.K. 1977:253)
Shan	hi	(Li F.K. 1977:253)
White Tai	hi	(Li F.K. 1977:253)
Nung	hi	(Li F.K. 1977:253)
Thai	hi:5	(Sakamoto 1976:44)
Japanese-Okinawa	hi:	(Narusawa 1986:128)
Japanese-Kagoshima	hi:	(Nakamoto 1981:77)
Japanese-Amami Oshima	çi:	(Nakamoto 1981:77)
Japanese-Amami Oshima	çi	(Nakamoto 1981:77)

Bibliographic Note:

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KBITH refers to Kamus Bahasa Indonesia-Tiong Hoa Dengan Ejaan Baru.

ZHCH refers to Zhuang-Han Cihul.