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Anoplolepis gracilipes (Hymenoptera: Formicidae)**

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Appendix, as digital supplementary material to this article, at the journal's web pages:

Fig. S1: No detectable change in the color of Nile Blue A observed from the gaster (A-C), within crop (D-F) and stain on the filter paper (after the worker being crushed, G-I) of foraging workers 8, 16 and 24 hours after ingesting dyed sucrose solution.

Fig. S2: No detectable change in the color of Nile Blue A observed from the gaster (A-C), within crop (D-F) and stain on the filter paper (after being crushed, G-I) of foraging workers 8, 16 and 24 hours after ingesting dyed peptone solution.

Fig. S3: No detectable change in the color of Nile Blue A observed from the gaster, within crop and stain on the filter paper (after being crushed) of intra-nidal worker (A-C) and physogastric worker (D-F) after co-inhabiting with sucrose-exposed donors for 24 hours.

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Video S1: A donor regurgitating a droplet of fluid that was imbibed by other workers (i.e., physogastric workers).

Video S2: An intra-nidal worker (marked by green paint marker) was engaging in trophallaxis with a physogastric worker (marked by white paint marker).

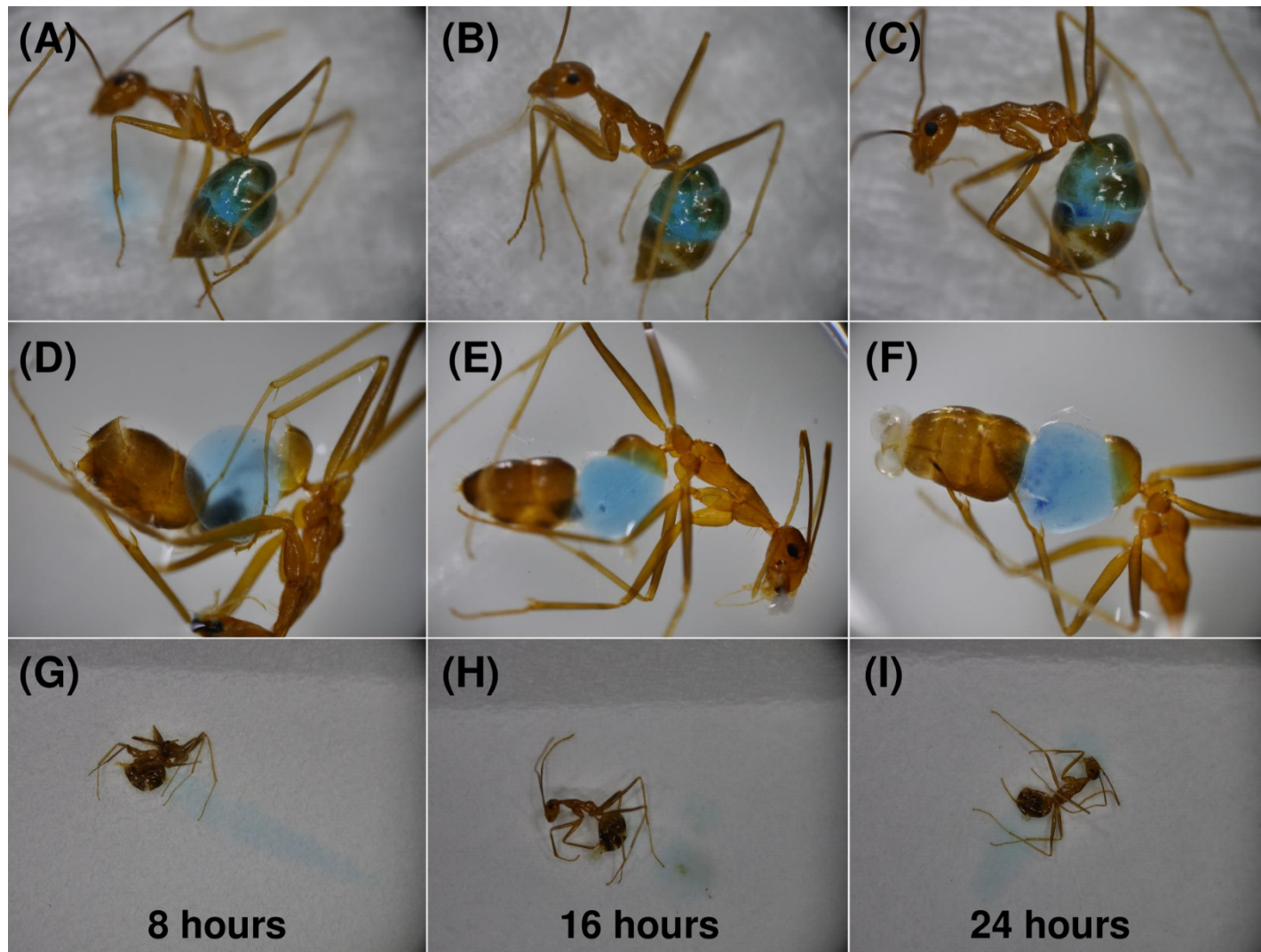


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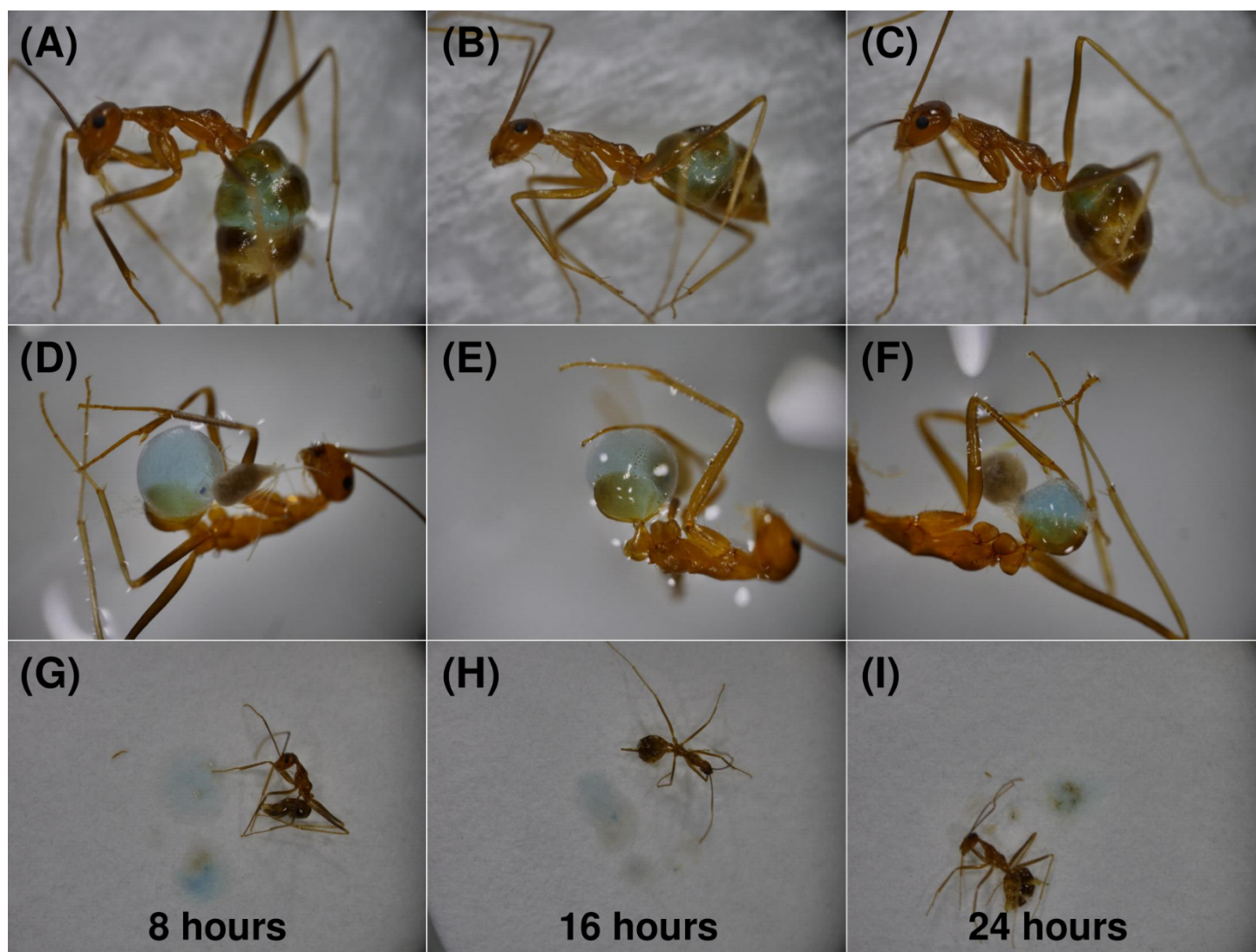


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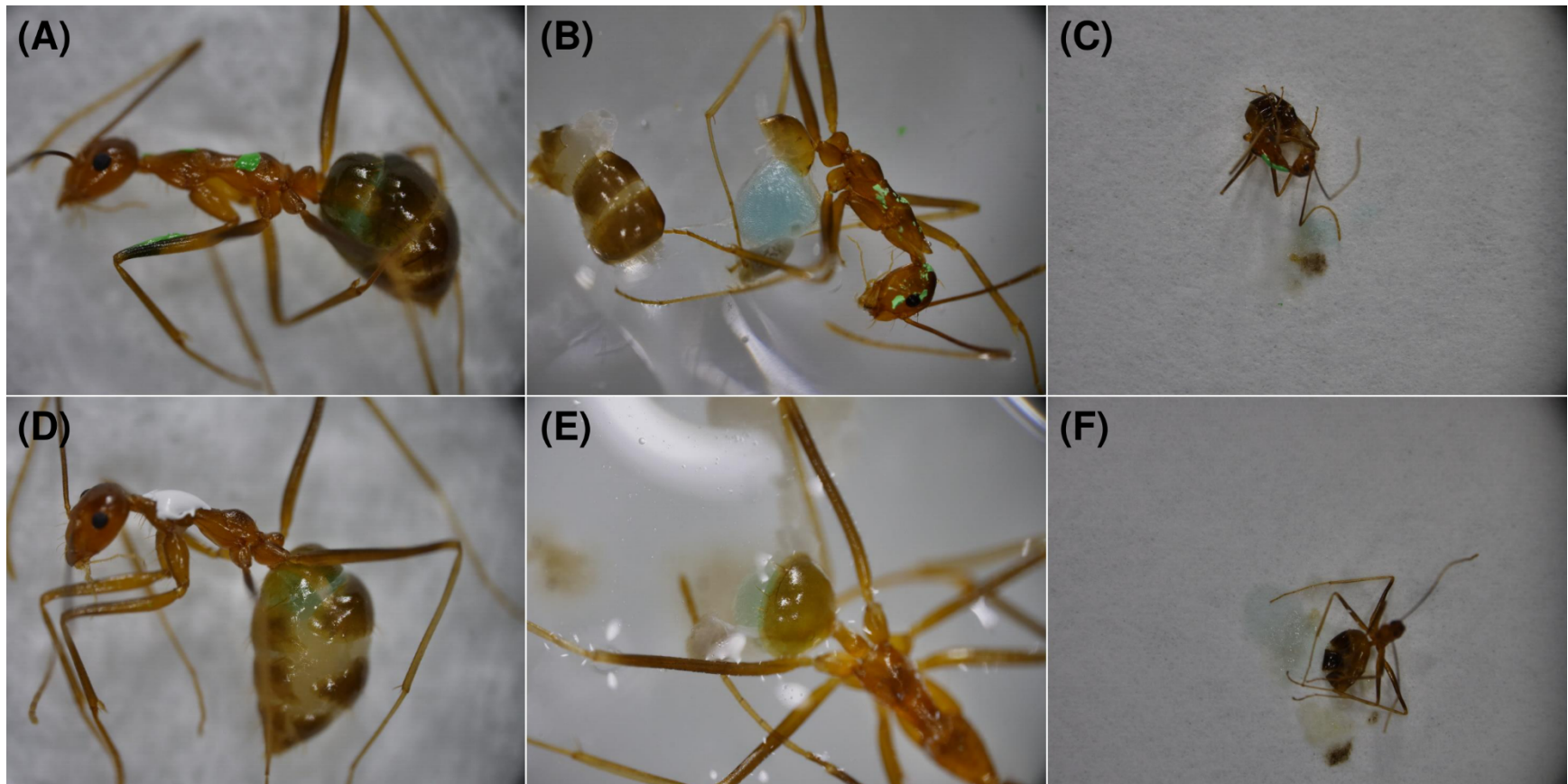


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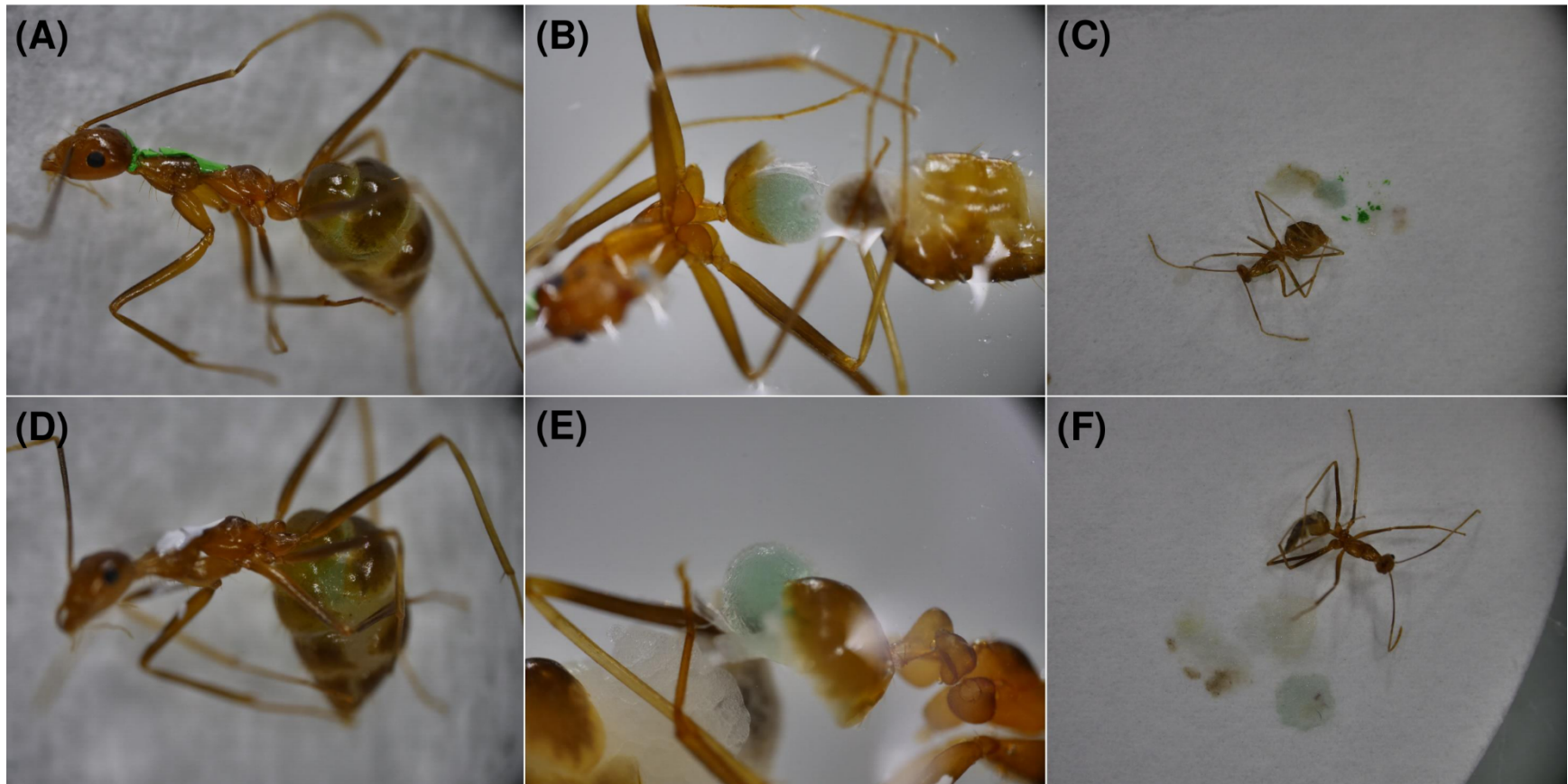


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