Determination of Auchenorrhyncha species distributed in apple orchards in Amasya, Turkey with a new record for Turkish fauna

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Abstract

Apple is the economically most important agricultural product in Amasya. So, identifying the potentially pest species in apple orchards is very important for agriculture and economy. Auchenorrhyncha species, known as plant pests, adversely affect the growth of plants directly or indirectly and as a result cause abnormal development, damage and even death of plant tissues and cells. In this study, it was aimed to determine the Auchenorrhyncha species which are potentially pests in apple orchards in Amasya, Turkey. 38 species belonging to the Auchenorrhyncha were determined in apple orchards in Amasya and Trypetimorpha occidentalis is recorded for the first time for the Turkish Auchenorrhyncha fauna.

1. Introduction

Auchenorrhyncha is one of the sub-order belonging to the order Hemiptera (Insecta), which has great number of families. The functional significance of the insects belonging to this group is little known. Since they are in high numbers in tree, shrub and herb layers, the biomass of them are high in vegetation. Because of this, they are significant components of terrestrial food chain. Insects belonging to this group move by jumping. There are mottling and patterning in different colors and shapes on the body and wings. At the rest position, the wings rest on the abdomen to form a roof.

By means of their piercing-absorbent mouth structure, they feed by sucking plant sap from the intracellular, intercellular and transmission bundles of the plants. Therefore, species belonging to this group known as plant pests and affect the development of plants directly or

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indirectly. In addition, they secrete toxic substances while sucking sap from the plant, which cause abnormal development, damage, or even death of plant tissues and cells. The species belonging to the Auchenorrhyncha group are damage plants directly by feeding and laying eggs, and indirectly by blocking the conduction tissues during feeding and carrying and spreading viral and mycoplasmal diseases (Ossiannilsson, 1978). The diagnosis of Auchenorrhyncha species is usually based on morphological characters. Some of these characters are visible from the outside, and some are visible as a result of dissection (Holzinger et al., 2003). In the part after the seventh abdominal segment removed from the body, genital structures bearing important taxonomically reliable characters are aedeagus, stylus, pygofer, genital plate, pregenital sternitis in men, and the seventh pregenital sternitis and ovipositor in female. In order to clash against Auchenorrhyncha species, which are very important in economic terms, it is necessary to know the species existing in nature, the density of their population and their distributions. The detection of these species is also important in terms of Turkey's biodiversity and to demonstrate Auchenorrhyncha fauna.

The first study on Auchenorrhyncha suborder in Turkey was carried out by Fahringer (1922). Fahringer (1922) listed some species from Turkey and then Dlabola (1957, 1971a, 1971b, 1974, 1979, 1985, 1987), Lodos and Kalkandelen (1985a, 1985b, 1985c, 1986a, 1986b, 1986c, 1987a, 1987b, 1987c, 1987d, 1988), Kartal and Zeybekoğlu (1991, 1992, 1994a, 1994b, 1996, 1997) studied on Auchenorrhyncha fauna. But, there are no studies on Auchenorrhyncha species in economically important apple orchards.

In the literature, only one study was found on Auchenorrhyncha species in apple orchards in Turkey. Ayaz and Yücel (2010) reported five species belonging to Auchenorrhyncha in apple orchards in Elazığ. In addition, Bleicher, Markó and Orosz (2006) determined 109 species in two apple orchards in Hungary. Bleicher, Orosz, Cross and Markó (2010) determined 77 species in three apple orchards in England.

In this study, it was aimed to determine the Auchenorrhyncha species which are potentially pests in apple orchards in Amasya, Turkey. Apple is the economically most important agricultural product in Amasya. So, identifying the potentially pest species in apple orchards is very important for agriculture and economy.
2. Materials and Methods

The Auchenorrhyncha species used as research materials were collected from the apple orchards selected from different localities in Amasya. Samples were collected with sweep net by hitting the trunk, branch and leaf parts of the apple trees and weeds in the orchards. Insect samples were prepared according to standard methods. In Auchenorrhyncha specimens, species diagnosis is made according to the shape and structural features of the genital organs. In the male and female insect, the end part after the seventh segment of the abdomen where the genital organs are located, was detached from the body with the help of a dissection needle in a stereo microscope. The shapes and structures of these genital parts are taxonomically reliable characters for identifying. Each sample was examined in detail in terms of body shape, structure, genital structures, color, patterning characters under the stereomicroscope, and identified compared with the definitions given in the literature for the relevant taxa and the previously diagnosed samples.

3. Results and Discussion

As a result of the research, 38 species belonging to 8 families of the suborder Auchenorrhyncha were determined in apple orchards of Amasya Province. These species are:

Cixiidae

_Pentastira rorida_ (Fieber, 1876)

**Material examined:** 1♀, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village, Amasya

**Distribution in Turkey:** Balıkesir, Edirne, Erzincan, İzmir, Manisa, Mardin, Niğde, Tokat (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical distribution:** Southeast of Europe, Eastern Mediterranean and Southeast of Central Europe (Holzinger et al., 2003)

_Reptalus cuspidatus_ (Fieber, 1876)

**Material examined:** 1♂ 1♀, 18.07.2016, Merzifon; 1♀, 08.06.2016, Ayrancı Village, Suluova; 28.06.2016, Ziyaret, Amasya.

**Zoogeographical distribution:** Europe and Central Asia (Holzinger et al., 2003)
Delphacidae

Asiraca clavicornis (Fabricius, 1794)

Material examined: 1♂, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♂, 07.09.2106, Korkut, Hamamözü, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Çorum, Denizli, Erzurum, İzmir, İstanbul, Konya, Kütahya, Muğla, Samsun, Sinop, Tokat, Yozgat (Lodos and Kalkandelen, 1980; Asche, 1982; Güçlü, 1996; Karavin, 2012).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Afghanistan, Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, Cyprus, Czech Republic, England, France, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Moldavia, Morocco, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Yugoslavia (Nast, 1972).

Kelisia sabulicola Wagner, 1952

Material examined: 1♂, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Amasya, Çorum, Samsun, Sinop, Tokat (Karavin, 2012).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Austria, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy (Holzinger et al., 2003).

Javesella dubia (Kirschbaum, 1868)

Material examined: 1♂, 06.08.2016, Ayrancı Village, Suluova, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Amasya, Ankara, Çorum, Erzurum, Ordu, Samsun, Tokat (Lodos and Kalkandelen, 1980; Asche, 1982; Güçlü, 1996; Karavin, 2012).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Austria, Azores Islands, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Moldavia, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Sweden, Ukraine, Uzbekistan (Nast, 1972).
Laodelphax striatellus (Fallén, 1826)

Material examined: 10♂♂16♀♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 16♂♂24♀♀, 28.06.2016, Çekmece Orchards, Harmanağılı Village, Suluova; 9♂♂12♀♀, 28.06.2016, Ziyaret; 1♂4♀♀, 24.07.2016, Çiğdemlik Village, Merkez; 55♂♂41♀♀, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village; 20♂♂26♀♀, 06.08.2016, Ayranlı Village, Suluova; 5♂♂1♀, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 3♂♂2♀♀, 10.08.2016, Dutlupınar, Gümüşhacıköy; 7♂♂2♀♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy; 16♂♂10♀♀, 01.09.2016, Kurnaz, Suluova; 4♂♂1♀, 07.09.2016, Alıcık-Merzifon, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Adana, Adıyaman, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Bilecik, Bitlis, Çorum, Diyarbakır, Elazığ, Erzincan, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Iğdır, İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kars, Malatya, Mersin, Muğla, Niğde, Ordu, Rize, Samsun, Siirt, Sinop, Şırnak, Tokat (Dlabola, 1957; Lodos and Kalkandelen, 1980; Asche, 1982; Güçlü, 1996; Karavin, 2012; Karavin and Özgen, 2017; Gözüaçık and Özgen, 2018).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Canary Islands, China, Czech Republic, England, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Moldavia, Mongolia, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Yugoslavia (Nast, 1972).

Ribautodelphax albostriata (Fieber, 1866)

Material examined: 3♂♂1♀, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 15♂♂20♀♀, 07.09.2016, Korkut, Hamamözü, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Ankara, Erzincan, Tokat (Lodos and Kalkandelen, 1988; Karavin, 2012).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Austria, Belgium, Caucasus, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldavia, Mongolia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Siberia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tunisia, Ukraine, Yugoslavia (Nast, 1972).
**Toya propinqua** (Fieber, 1866)

**Material examined:** 4♂2♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 2♀, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village; 1♂3♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy; 1♂, 07.09.2016, Alicık-Merzifon, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Afyon, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Çanakkale, Çorum, Denizli, Diyarbakır, Erzurum, Gaziantep, Hatay, Isparta, İçel, İskenderun, Kastamonu, Mardin, Muğla, Ordu, Samsun, Siirt, Sinop, Şırnak (Silopi), Tokat (Dlabola, 1957; Lodos and Kalkandelen, 1980; Asche, 1982; Güçlü, 1996; Karavin, 2012; Karavin and Özgen, 2017).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Austria, Bulgaria, Canary Islands, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Egypt, France, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Libya, Moldavia, Morocco, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkey, Uzbekistan, Yugoslavia (Nast, 1972).

**Dictyopharidae**

*Dictyophara europaea* (Linné, 1767)

**Material examined:** 1♂2♀, 24.07.2016, Çiğdemlik Village, Merkez; 2♂2♀, 06.08.2016, Ayrancı Village, Suluova; 2♂2♀, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Ankara, Denizli, Diyarbakır, Elazığ, Eskişehir, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kars, Kastamonu, Manisa, Mardin, Muğla, Muş, Ordu, Samsun, Siirt, Van (Özgen et al., 2009; Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, Czech Republic, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iraq, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldavia, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, Tunisia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Yugoslavia (Nast, 1972).

**Tropiduchidae**

*Tryptetimorpha occidentalis* Huang & Bourgoin, 1993

**Material examined:** 1♂, 28.06.2016, Çekmece Orchards, Harmanagenda Village, Suluova, Amasya.
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Zoogeographical Distribution: Armenia, Austria, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Moldavia, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Ukraine (Nast, 1972).

Issidae

*Agalmatium flavescens* (Olivier, 1791)

Material examined: 4♂♂2♀♀, 27.06.2016, Gökçebağ Village, Merzifon, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Ankara, Bursa, Çorum, İstanbul, Edirne, Kastamonu, Tekirdağ, Van, Zonguldak (Önder et al., 2011).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Albania, Algeria, Austria, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Jordan, Morocco, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, the Canary Islands, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

*Agalmatium bilobum* (Fieber, 1877)

Material examined: 1♂, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Adıyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Amasya, Ankara, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bilecik, Burdur, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çorum, Denizli, Eskişehir, Gaziantep, Gümüşhane, İzmir, Kütahya, Malatya, Manisa, Muğla, Tekirdağ, Tokat, Uşak (Önder et al., 2011).

Zoogeographical Distribution: France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Russia, Spain, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey (Lodos and Kalkandelen, 1981).

Aphrophoridae

*Aphrophora alni* (Fallen, 1805)

Material examined: 1♂, 07.09.2016, Korkut, Hamamözü, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Adana, Afyonkarahisar, Ankara, Artvin, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bitlis, Bolu, Çanakkale, Çorum, Diyarbakır, Erzincan, Erzurum, Giresun, İstanbul, İzmir, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Konya, Kütahya, Mardin, Manisa, Muğla, Ordu, Rize, Samsun, Sinop, Tekirdağ, Trabzon, Yozgat (Önder et al., 2011).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Germany,
Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

*Lepyronia coleoptrata* (Linné, 1758)

**Material examined:** 1♂, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♂, 18.07.2016, Merzifon; 1♂, 10.08.2016, Dutlupinar, Gümüşhacıköy, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Afyonkarahisar, Ankara, Artvin, Aydın, Bilecik, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çankırı, Çorum, Diyarbakır, Edirne, Elazığ, Erzincan, Gümüşhane, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kars, Kütahya, Manisa, Mardin, Muğla, Muş, Sakarya, Siirt, Tokat (Önder et al., 2011; Özgen et al., 2018).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iraq, Italy, Mongolia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

*Philaenus spumarius* (Linne, 1758)

**Material examined:** 1♂1♀, 27.06.2016, Gökçebağ Village, Merzifon; 1♂, 28.06.2016, Ziyaret, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Ağrı, Amasya, Ankara, Artvin, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bilecik, Bitlis, Bolu, Bursa, Çanakkale, Elazığ, Erzincan, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Giresun, Gümüşhane, Hakkari, İstanbul, İzmir, Kars, Kırklareli, Kütahya, Kocaeli, Malatya, Manisa, Mardin, Muğla, Ordu, Rize, Samsun, Siirt, Sinop, Tekirdağ, Trabzon, Tokat, Van (Önder et al., 2011; Özgen et al., 2018).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Austria, Azores, Balearic Islands, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).
Membracidae

*Stictocephala bisonia* Kopp & Yonke, 1977

**Material examined:** 1♂, 28.06.2016, Ziyaret; 1♂, 24.07.2016, Çiğdemlik Village; 1♂1♀, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village; 1♂1♀, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy, Amasya.

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** North America, Europe, Central Asia (Holzinger et al., 2003).

Cicadellidae

*Anaceratagallia laevis* (Ribaut, 1935)

**Material examined:** 6♂♂6♀♀, 27.06.2016, Gökçebağ Village, Merzifon; 2♂♂, 27.06.2017, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♂, 28.06.2016, Çekmece Orchards, Harmanağılı Village, Suluova; 5♂♂2♀♀, 28.06.2016, Ziyaret; 11♂♂5♀♀, 24.07.2016, Çiğdemlik Village; 1♂, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village; 4♂♂2♀♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Ağrı, Ankara, Bilecik, Erzurum, Eskişehir, İçel, İstanbul, İzmir, Konya, Malatya, Nevşehir (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Afghanistan, Albania, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Egypt, France, Greece, Hungary, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Morocco, Portugal, Romania, Russia, the Canary Islands, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

*Anaceratagallia ribauti* (Ossiannilsson, 1938)

**Material examined:** 3♂♂, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 4♂♂, 06.08.2016, Ayrançı Village, Suluova; 4♂♂2♀♀, 10.08.2016, Merzifon; 1♂1♀, 07.09.2016, Korkut, Hamamözü, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Ankara, Balıkesir, Çankırı, Elazığ, Hatay, İçel, İzmir, Malatya, Mardin, Samsun (Önder et al., 2011; Kaplan and Yücel, 2014).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** England, Europe, Iran, Russia, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).
**Eupelix cuspidata** (Fabricius 1775)

**Material examined:** 1♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 3♂♂2♀♀, 18.07.2016, Merzifon, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Adıyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Ankara, Artvin, Çanakkale, Diyarbakır, İlçe, Kahramanmaraş, Konya, Malatya, Mardin, Muğla, Nevşehir, Niğde, Şanlıurfa (Önder et al., 2011; Tolga and Yoldaş, 2019).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Algeria, Canary Islands, Cyprus, Europe, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Mongolia, Morocco, Russia, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

**Aphrodes albifrons** (Linnaeus 1758)

**Material examined:** 1♂, 27.06.2016, Gökçebağ Village, Merzifon, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** İzmir, Manisa (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Israel, Spain, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

**Aphrodes bicinctus** (Zachvatkin 1948)

**Material examined:** 1♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** All over the Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Afghanistan, Algeria, Britain, Cyprus, Europe, Iran, Ireland, Lebanon, Madeira Island, Mongolia, Morocco, North America, Russia, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

**Cicadella viridis** (Linnaeus, 1758)

**Material examined:** 8♂♂6♀♀, 06.08.2016, Ayrancı Village, Suluova; 7♂♂6♀♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Amasya, Artvin, Balıkesir, Bursa, Çanakkale, Diyarbakır, Edirne, Erzincan, Erzurum, İzmir, Kars, Kırklareli, Manisa, Mardin, Muğla, Samsun, Tekirdağ (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** China, Europe, Iran, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Mongolia, Russia, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).
*Empoasca decipiens* Paoli, 1930

**Material examined:** 1♀, 24.07.2016, Çiğdemlik Village Köyü; 2♂♀12♀♂, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village; 3♂♀11♀♀, 10.08.2016, Dutlupınar, Gümüşhacıköy, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** All over the Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Cyprus, Czech Republic, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Jordan, Libya, Pakistan, Russia, Sardinia and Sicily Islands, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

*Zyginidia pullula* (Boheman, 1845)

**Material examined:** 4♂♂17♀♀, 28.06.2016, Çekmece Orchards, Harmanağılı Village, Suluova, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Amasya, Ankara, Aydın, Bolu, Çankırı, Çorum, İzmir, İzmit, Kayseri, Manisa, Nevşehir, Sinop (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Europe, Iran, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Mongolia, the island of Sardinia, the North Caucasus, Turkey, Ukraine (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

*Zygina flammigera* (Fourcroy, 1785)

**Material examined:** 1♂1♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Amasya.

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Moldova, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Russia, Scotland, Slovakia, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, Uzbekista (Nast, 1972).

*Arboridia versuta* (Melichar, 1897)

**Material examined:** 1♂4♀♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 2♂♀16♀♀, 24.07.2016, Çiğdemlik Village; 4♂♀58♀♀, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village; 17♂♀33♀♀, 06.08.2017, Ayrancı Village, Suluova; 18♂♀35♀♀, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 30♂♀78♀♀, 10.08.2016, Dutlupınar, Gümüşhacıköy; 9♂♀14♀♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy; 24♂♀46♀♀, 01.09.2016, Kurnaz, Suluova; 86♂♀114♀♀, Korkut, Hamamözü; 28♂♀46♀♀, 07.09.2016, Alicık-Merzifon, Amasya.
**Distribution in Turkey**: Bitlis, Kars (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution**: France, Germany, Italy, Russia, Siberia, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine (Önder et al., 2011).

*Balclutha punctata* (Fabricius, 1775)

**Material examined**: 1♂, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♂2♀♀, 24.07.2016, Çığdemlık Village; 5♂9♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy; 4♂10♀, 01.09.2016, Kurnaz, Suluova; 5♂6♀, 07.09.2016, Korkut, Hamamözü; 20♂24♀, 17.09.2016, Alıcık-Merzifon, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey**: Adana, Adıyaman, Amasya, Ankara, Bitlis, Bolu, Diyarbakır, Erzincan, Erzurum, Hakkari, Hatay, Iğdır, Isparta, İçel, Kars, Ordu, Samsun, Sinop (Özgen and Karsavuran, 2009; Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution**: Afghanistan, Algeria, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, China, Denmark, Cyprus, Czech Republic, England, Estonia, Europe, Finland, France, Germany, Greece-Hungary, Iran, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Mongolia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Sardinia, Sicily, Slovakia, Tunisia, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

*Recilia schmidtgeni* (Wagner, 1939)

**Material examined**: 3♂, 18.07.2016, Merzifon; 1♂, 10.08.2016, Dutlupınar, Gümüşhacıköy, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey**: Adana, Ankara, Diyarbakır, Erzincan, İçel, İzmir, Kırıkkale, Nevşehir, Samsun, Sinop, Şanlıurfa, Tokat (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution**: Albania, Bulgaria, Crete, France, Iran, Italy, Jordan, Manchuria, Morocco, Romania, Russia, the Czech Republic, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

*Doratura homophyla* (Flor, 1861)

**Material examined**: 1♂1♀ 18.07.2016, Merzifon, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey**: Adana, Ankara, Bolu, Bursa, Diyarbakır, Eskişehir, Gaziantep, İzmir, Manisa, Van (Önder et al., 2011).
Zoogeographical Distribution: Albania, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Mongolia, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russia, Sweden, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

*Doratura stylata* (Boheman, 1847)

Material examined: 2♂♂, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Orta ve Doğu Anadolu, Ankara, Bayburt, Gümüşhane, Kars, Samsun, Van (Önder et al., 2011).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Algeria, England, Europe, Russia, Tunisia, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

*Platymetopius undatus* (De Geer, 1773)

Material examined: 1♀, 10.08.2016, Dutlupınar, Gümüşhacıköy, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Adana, Ankara, Diyarbakır, İzmit, Mardin (Önder et al., 2011).

Zoogeographical Distribution: England, Europe, Israel, Korea, Russia, Sicily, Tunisia, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

*Phlepsius intricatus* (Herrich-Schäffer 1838)

Material examined: 2♂♂1♀, 27.06.2016, Gökçebağ Village, Merzifon; 1♂1♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♀, 18.07.2016, Merzifon; 3♂♂1♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy; 1♂, 01.09.2016, Kurnaz, Suluova; 1♂, 17.09.2016; Alıcık-Merzifon, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Amasya, Bolu, Çanakkale, Diyarbakır, Elazığ, Isparta, İzmir, Kars, Kırşehir, Malatya, Mardin, Muğla, Nevşehir, Samsun (Önder et al., 2011).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Afghanistan, Albania, Austria, the Balearic Island, Bulgaria, Algeria, Czech Republic, Morocco, Palestine, France, Iraq, Iran, Spain, Italy, Cyprus, Hungary, Portugal, Romania, Russia, the island of Sardinia, Turkey, Jordan, Greece (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).
**Mocydia crocea** (Herrich-Schäffer, 1837)

**Material examined:** 1♂3♀♀, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♂, 10.08.2016, Dutlupınar, Gümüşhacıköy; 14♂15♀♀, 01.09.2016, Kurnaz, Suluova, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Amasya, Ankara, Bolu, Bursa, Denizli, Giresun, İçel, Konya, Manisa, Nevşehir, Ordu, Sakarya, Samsun, Sinop, Tokat, Trabzon (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Albania, Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, England, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Jordan, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Switzerland, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

**Euscelis lineolatus** (Brullé, 1832)

**Material examined:** 73♂♂100♀♀, 27.06.2016, Gökçebağ Village, Merzifon; 3♂4♀♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♀, 28.06.2016, Ziyaret; 30♂60♀♀, 18.07.2016, Merzifon; 1♀, 24.07.2016, Çiğdemlik Village; 6♂1♀, 10.08.2016, Dutlupınar, Gümüşhacıköy, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Amasya, Ankara, Artvin, Balıkesir, Bursa, Denizli, İstanbul, İzmir, Kırıkkale, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Konya, Malatya, Manisa, Niğde, Ordu, Samsun, Sinop, Tokat, Trabzon, Uşak (Zeybekoğlu, 1991; Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Albania, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Cyprus, France, Greece, Hungary, Iran, Ireland, Italy, Jordan, Morocco, Portugal, Sardinia, Sicily, Spain, Switzerland, the Canary Islands, the Netherlands, Tunisia, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

**Arocephalus longiceps** (Kirschbaum, 1868)

**Material examined:** 33♂28♀♀, 07.09.2016, Korkut, Hamamözü, Amasya.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Amasya, Ankara, Bolu, Erzincan, Erzurum, Hakkari, İzmir, Konya, Nevşehir, Samsun, Sinop (Önder et al., 2011).

**Zoogeographical Distribution:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Mongolia, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russia, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).
Psammotettix confinis (Dahlbom, 1850)

Material examined: 3♂♂2♀♀, 17.09.2016, Alicik-Merzifon, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Adana, Ağrı, Ankara, Balıkesir, Bitlis, Edirne, Erzincan, Erzurum, Giresun, Hakkari, Isparta, Kars, Konya, Ordu, Samsun, Siirt, Sivas, Van (Önder et al., 2011).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Austria, Bulgaria, Corsica, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Holland, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Norway, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, Uzbekistan (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

Psammotettix provincialis (Ribaut, 1925)

Material examined: 2♂♂3♀♀, 27.06.2016, Gökçedağ Village, Merzifon; 45♂♂56♀♀, 27.06.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 8♂♂20♀♀, 28.06.2016, Çekmece Orchards, Harmananlı Village, Suluova; 9♂♂10♀♀, 28.06.2016, Ziyaret; 22♂♂54♀♀, 18.07.2016, Merzifon; 3♂♂2♀♀, 24.07.2016, Çiğdemlik Village; 15♂♂35♀♀, 28.07.2016, Yıkılgan Village; 4♂♂7♀♀, 06.08.2016, Ayranlı Village, Suluova; 4♂♂9♀♀, 06.08.2016, Yenimahalle, Suluova; 23♂♂25♀♀, 10.08.2016, Dutlupınar, Gümüşhacıköy; 13♂♂29♀♀, 18.08.2016, İpekköy; 4♂♂3♀♀, Kurnaz, Suluova, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Adana, Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Bolu, Bursa, Çankırı, Diyarbakır, Edirne, Erzurum, Hatay, İçel, İstanbul, İzmir, Konya, Manisa, Mardin, Nevşehir, Sakarya, Samsun, Van (Önder et al., 2011).

Zoogeographical Distribution: Afghanistan, Bulgaria, China, Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Hungary, Iran, Italy, Mongolia, Romania, Russia, Sardinia, Sicily, Turkey (Nast, 1972; Önder et al., 2011).

Artianus manderstjernii (Kirschbaum, 1868)

Material examined: 1♂, 27.06.2016, Gökçebağ Village, Merzifon; 1♂, 27.06.2016 Yenimahalle, Suluova; 1♂3♀♀, 18.07.2016, Merzifon, Amasya.

Distribution in Turkey: Ağrı, Ankara, Balıkesir, Çankırı, Diyarbakır, Edirne, Gaziantep, İzmir, Kırklareli, Şanlıurfa, Van, Zonguldak (Önder et al., 2011).
Zoogeographical Distribution: Bulgaria, France, Hungary, Italy, Lebanon, Romania, Russia, the Czech Republic, Turkey (Önder et al., 2011).

By this study, the species belonging to the Auchenorrhyncha which distributed in the apple orchards in Amasya were determined. The taxonomical characters of the species were similar with definitions of the related taxa in the literature.

These are potentially pests and economically important, because they prevent the normal development of plants by absorbing the plant sap and cause the spread of plant diseases in a short time due to their dense population and the large number of species. This study is a preliminary information for agriculture. The density, damage patterns and economic importance of the species can be better demonstrated by detailed studies to be carried out in other type of agricultural fields. It is hoped that this study will contribute to future studies on Auchenorrhyncha.

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