Frit flies of Turkey with descriptions of two new species and new records (Diptera, Chloropidae)

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Abstract
Faunistic records for 88 frit flies species from southwestern Turkey (Muğla province) and from Samsun (north Turkey) are given. Two species, Dicraeus civeleki sp. n., and Meromyza samsunensis sp. n., are described as new to science. Altogether, nine genera (Calamoncosis, Eribolus, Gaurax, Incertella, Speccafrons, Trachysiphonella, Chloropsina, Eutropha, and Lagaroceras) and 46 species are recorded for the first time from Turkey.

Keywords
Acalyptratae, Dicraeus, Diptera, Meromyza, Turkey

Introduction
Frit flies (Diptera, Chloropidae) are small to medium sized flies, adult body length 1.5–5.0 mm, rarely larger, with reduced bristling. Body colour very variable, most species are entirely black, and often with metallic sheen (subfamily Oscinellinae, Siphonellopsinae, Rhodesiellinae), whereas some species are yellow with black, red or
brown longitudinal stripes on the scutum (subfamily Chloropinae). The adults occur in various marshy habitats, in deciduous woods, in damp meadows and in open areas. Chloropid larvae have varied feeding habits. Many species are phytophagous, and some of those damage cereals and other grasses. There are also saprophagous species, a few species that have been bred from fungi, and some predaceous species.

The family Chloropidae has not been an object of focused investigation in Turkey. Only two species, *Scoliophthalmus civeleki* and *Elachiptera bimaculata*, were included in the first Turkish checklist of Diptera (Koçak and Kemal 2009). Nartshuk (2012) summarized all published historical data, identified several specimens from Turkey, and published a more complete list in which she listed 64 species from 31 genera and 4 subfamilies. Koçak and Kemal (2013) took over the list of species from Nartshuk (2012) but forgot to include the work of Deeming and Al-Dhafer (2012) with the first record of *Rhodesiella fedtshenkoi* from Turkey. Kubik et al (2016) described *Tricimba dursuni* from Turkey as new to science. Two other species described as new to science in the current paper and 46 species recorded for the first time from Turkey increasing the total number of known Turkish species to 114.

**Materials and methods**

The studied material, unless stated otherwise, was collected between 2011–2015 by M. Barták and Š. Kubík, and it is deposited in the collection of the Czech University of Life Sciences, Prague. It originates from southwestern and northern Turkey, mainly from the Muğla province and, to a lesser extent, also from the city of Samsun (Samsun province). The specimens were collected by Malaise traps (MT) and yellow and white pan water traps (PT), or they were swept from vegetation (SW). Most of the specimens were originally preserved in alcohol and were dried and mounted later on using the method described by Barták (1997). The genitalia of the described species here were macerated in 10 % KOH (24 hours, room temperature) and later stored together with the specimens on plastic tags and fixed with butyl-methacrylate copolymer of methyl-methacrylate, xylene. The genitalia and individual species were photographed using a Nikon D300 digital camera mounted on a Nikon SMZ-U microscope and images were edited with the computer software NIS-Elements 3.0. On average, each final image is a stack from 15 layers. Images were improved using the software Adobe Photoshop, genitalia served as models for outline of hand drawn illustrations; details were added by direct observation of the genitalia.

The morphological terms used here follow Merz and Haenni (2000). The distribution of species, unless stated otherwise, was taken from Nartshuk (2012, 2013). The species recorded here with for the first time from Turkey are marked by an asterisk and males, females are abbreviated M, F, respectively.
List of species

Subfamily: Siphonellopsinae

*Apotropina longepilosa* (Strobl, 1893)

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 3M.

**Distribution.** Widely distributed in the southern Palaearctic Region, from Europe to the Russian Far East and Mongolia.

*Siphonellopsis lacteibasis* Strobl, 1906

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03’16”N, 28°19’57”E, 16.–27.v.2011, 2M and 1F.

**Distribution.** From southern Europe and North Africa to Central Asia.

Subfamily: Rhodesiellinae

*Rhodesiella fedtshenkoi* Nartshuk, 1978

**Material examined.** Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 21.ix.2012, 6M and 5F; Turkey: Topalar, lowland forest, 36°58’39”N, 28°39’30”E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 4M and 2F.

**Distribution.** the species was described from Kyrgyzstan and further recorded from Japan, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Greece, Macedonia and Cyprus. Deeming and Al-Dhafer (2012) recorded this species from Turkey for the first time.

*Scoliophthalmus civeleki* Deeming, 2006

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27. ix.2012, 2M.

**Distribution.** originally described and hitherto known only from Turkey.

*Scoliophthalmus trapezoides* Becker, 1903

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27. ix.2012, 1M.

**Distribution.** described from Egypt and further recorded from Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia, Mozambique, Senegal, Burkina Faso, Nigeria, Cameroun, South Africa, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Israel and Cyprus.
Subfamily: Oscinellinae

*Aphanotrigonum bicolor* Nartshuk, 1964

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, forest, 37°03’16”N, 28°19’35”E, 30.4.–9.5.2013, 30 m, 2M; Turkey: Akyaka, 40 m, forest, SW + PT, 37°03’21”N, 28°19’09”E, 16.–27.v.2011, 1M; Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 4M.

**Distribution.** southern Palaearctic Region, from Hungary to Central Asia.

*Aphanotrigonum femorellum* (Collin, 1946)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 5M and 2F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 14M and 18F; Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** a widely distributed but rare Palaearctic species, known from Europe and North Africa to Oman and Mongolia.

*Aphanotrigonum inerme* Collin, 1946

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, SW + PT, 37°02’53”N, 28°19’39”E, 28.4.–9.5.2013, 3M; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58’39”N, 28°39’30”E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 2M.

**Distribution.** West Palaearctic species.

*Aphanotrigonum parahastatum* Dely-Draskovits, 1981

**Material examined.** Turkey: Gökçeova Gölü, lake shore, 1 750 m, 37°03’42.52”N, 28°48’28.42”E, 20.ix.2012, 12M and 14F; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 21.ix.2012, 18M and 7F; Turkey: Muğla, University, campus, PT, 700 m, 37°09’42”N, 28°22’21”E, 21.–24.ix.2012, 10M and 14F; Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** a mediterranean species, known from the North Africa, Greek mainland, French mainland, Crete and Bulgaria.

*Calamoncosis duinensis* (Strobl, 1909)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03’16”N, 28°19’57”E, 16.–27.v.2011, 2M and 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 3M; Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, SW + PT,
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**Distribution.** a widely distributed Palaearctic species.

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*Conioscinella frontella* (Fallén, 1820)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Muğla, University campus, MT, 720 m, 37°09'42"N, 28°22'13"E, H. Kavak, 26.v.–26.vi.2015, 2M.

**Distribution.** a widely distributed Palaearctic species, known from Europe to Israel and Mongolia.

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*Dicraeus (Dicraeus) agropyri* Nartshuk, 1964

**Material examined.** Turkey: 13km NE of Muğla, pasture/pine wood, 1200 m, 37°14'50"N, 28°30'E, 23.–27.vi.2015, 2M.

**Distribution.** the species is known from Russia East, Russia South, Ukraine and East Palaearctic.

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*Dicraeus beschovskii* Nartshuk, 2010

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03'19"N, 28°20'07"E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 2M; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58'39"N, 28°39'30"E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 2M and 1F, Turkey: Muğla, University campus, MT, 720 m, 37°09'42"N, 28°22'13"E, H. Kavak, 26.v.–26.vi.2015, 2M.

**Distribution.** described and hitherto known only from Greece.

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*Dicraeus raptus* (Holiday, 1838)

**Material examined.** Turkey: 12km SW of Muğla, *Ferula communis*, 660 m, 37°07'40"N, 28°16'28"E, 23.v. 2011, 1M; Turkey: Muğla, University campus, MT, 720 m, 37°09'42"N, 28°22'13"E, H. Kavak, 26.v.–26.vi.2015, 2M.

**Distribution.** this species was recorded from West Europe and from the Crimea.

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*Dicraeus tibialis* (Macquart, 1835)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Muğla, University campus, MT, 720 m, 37°09'42"N, 28°22'13"E, H. Kavak, 26.v.–26.vi.2015, 2M and 1F.

**Distribution.** Holarctic species.
*Elachiptera* bimaculata (Loew, 1858)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58′39″N, 28°39′30″E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 2M; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03′19″N, 28°20′07″E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 3M; Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** southern Europe, Canary Islands, Madeira, Israel.

*Elachiptera* brevipennis (Meigen, 1830)

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** widely distributed in the West Palaearctic Region.

*Elachiptera cornuta* (Fallén, 1820)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58′39″N, 28°39′30″E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 1M; Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** widely distributed in the Palaearctic Region.

*Elachiptera* graeca Becker, 1910

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03′09″N, 28°20′17″E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 4M and 2F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03′19″N, 28°20′07″E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 8M and 4F.

**Distribution.** Mediterranean species

*Elachiptera rufifrons* Duda, 1932

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03′09″N, 28°20′17″E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 2M.

**Distribution.** southern Eurasian species, known from Spain to China.

*Elachiptera sarda* Nartshuk, 2009

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03′09″N, 28°20′17″E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 4M and 3F; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32′34″N, 28°03′46″E, 21.ix.2012, 2M and 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03′19″N, 28°20′07″E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 2M and 2F; Turkey: Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 3M.
**Distribution.** this species was described from Italia, Sardegna and further known from the Balearic Islands.

*Eribolus hungaricus* Becker, 1910

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 3M and 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 3M and 2F.

**Distribution.** widely distributed West Palaearctic species.

*Gaurax fascipes* Becker, 1910

**Material examined.** Turkey: Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** widely distributed West Palaearctic species.

*Gaurax niger* Czerny, 1906

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Hapleginella laevifrons** (Loew, 1858)

**Material examined.** Turkey: 11km E of Muğla, pine wood + meadow, 1310m, 37°12’45”N, 28°27’42”E, 23.v.2011, 1M.

**Distribution.** Eurasian species

*Incertella zuercheri* (Collin, 1946)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 6M and 2F; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 21.ix.2012, 2M and 2F.

**Distribution.** widely distributed Palaearctic species.

*Lasiambia albidipennis* (Strobl, 1893)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Muğla, University campus, YPWT, 720 m, 37°09’42”N, 28°22’13”E, 26.–27.vi.2015, 1M; Turkey: 4 km N of Yatagan, *Foeniculus* flowers, 460 m, 37°22’12”N, 28°09’22”E, 30.vi.2015, 2F; Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, 2 m, 37°01’49”N, 28°20’01”E, 22.vi.–1.vii.2015, 1M.
Distribution. This species is known from southern Europe, Kazakhstan, and Asia Minor.

*Lasiambia brevibucca* (Duda, 1933)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27. ix.2012, 1M.

**Distribution.** This species is known from Europe, Turkey and Iran.

*Lasiambia coxalis* (von Roser, 1840)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Muğla, University campus, YPWT, 720 m, 37°09’42”N, 28°22’13”E, 26.–27.vi.2015, 2M.

**Distribution.** Widely distributed Palaearctic species.

*Lasiambia fycoperda* (Becker, 1910)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Muğla, University campus, 700 m, 37°09’41”N, 28°22’21”E, Malaise trap, edge of pine wood, xi.2012–iii.2013, 4M and 2F.

**Distribution.** This species is known from Southern Europe.

*Lasiochaeta pubescens* (Thalhammer, 1898)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27. ix.2012, 15M and 12F; Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03’16”N, 28°19’57”E, 16.–27.v.2011, 10M and 5F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 4M and 2F; Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4. vii.2014, 12M and 24F.

**Distribution.** Common and widely distributed species in the southern Palaearctic Region, from Azores and Madeira to Afghanistan, recently spreading as north as England and Northern Germany.

*Lipara rufitarsis* Loew, 1858

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, SW + PT, 37°02’53”N, 28°19’39”E, , 28.4.–9.5.2013, 1M Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58’39”N, 28°39’30”E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 2M.

**Distribution.** Widely distributed Holarctic species.
**Lipara similis** Schiner, 1854

**Material examined.** Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58’39"N, 28°39’30"E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 2M.

**Distribution.** Widely distributed Palaearctic species.

*Oscinimorpha arcuata* (Duda, 1932)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, 40 m, forest, SW + PT, 37°03’21"N, 28°19’09"E, 16.–27.v.2011, 2M and 6F.

**Distribution.** West Palaearctic species.

*Oscinimorpha longirostris* (Loew, 1858)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19"N, 28°20’07"E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 2M; Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03’16"N, 28°19’57"E, 16.–27.v.2011, 12M and 10F.

**Distribution.** Mediterranean species, known from the Canary Islands, southern Europe, and North Africa to Israel.

*Oscinimorpha minutissima* (Strobl, 1900)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19"N, 28°20’07"E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 3M; Turkey: Muğla, 700 m, University campus, SW + PT, 37°09’42"N, 28°22’21"E, 29.iv.–10.v.2013, 2M.

**Distribution.** This species is known from North Africa and West Palaearctic Region.

*Oscinimorpha novakii* (Strobl, 1893)

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M; Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03’16"N, 28°19’57"E, 16.–27.v.2011, 10M and 6F.

**Distribution.** Mediterranean species, known from the Canary Islands, southern Europe to Israel.
**Polyodaspis splendida** Nartshuk, 2012

**Material examined.** Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 21.ix.2012, 4M and 3F; Turkey: 4 km N of Yatagan, *Foeniculus* flowers, 460 m, 37°22’12”N, 28°09’22”E, 30.vi.2015, 1M

**Distribution.** this species is known only from Turkey.

**Polyodaspis sulcicollis** (Meigen, 1838)

**Material examined.** Turkey: 11km E of Muğla, pine wood + meadow, 1310m, 37°12’45”N, 28°27’42”E, 1.v.2013, 3M and 1F; Turkey: Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 5M and 6F; Turkey: 4 km N of Yatagan, *Foeniculus* flowers, 460 m, 37°22’12”N, 28°09’22”E, 30.vi.2015, 3M and 4F; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, SW + YPWT, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 28.–30.vi.2015, 5M and 6F

**Distribution.** this species is distributed in Europe, the mediterranean subregion, and in Palaearctic Asia eastwards to Yakutia and Mongolia.

**Sabroskyina abaronii** (Duda, 1933)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, 2 m, 37°03’N, 28°20’E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 1M; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 21.ix.2012, 5M; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58’39”N, 28°39’30”E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 6M and 5F; Turkey: Dalyan, orchard, 4 m, 36°49’37”N, 28°39’39”E, 24.ix.2012, 32M and 43F;

**Distribution.** the species was previously known from Turkey to Pakistan and Israel, Africa from Egypt to Chad, Seychelles, and Cape Verde Islands.

**Specafrons genavensis** Merz, 2008

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03’16”N, 28°19’57”E, 16.–27.v.2011, 3M and 2F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 4M and 2 F; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 21.ix.2012, 2M and 2F.

**Distribution.** described and hitherto known only from Switzerland.

**Trachysiphonella carinifacies** Nartshuk, 1964

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03’16”N, 28°19’57”E, 16.–27.v.2011, 3M and 2F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 4M and 2F.
Distribution. the species was described from Kazakhstan and further recorded from Mongolia, Tajikistan, Saudi Arabia, Yemen and Greece.

*Trachysiphonella recurva* Deeming & Al–Dhafer, 2012

Material examined. Turkey: 13km NE of Muğla, pasture/pine wood, 1200m, 37°14'50"N, 28°30'E, 23.–27.vi.2015, 1M; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, SW + YPWT, 37°32'34"N, 28°03'46"E, 28.–30.vi.2015, 1M and 1F.

Distribution. this species was described from Yemen and further recorded from Oman and Saudi Arabia.

*Trachysiphonella ruficeps* (Macquart, 1835)

Material examined. Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32'34"N, 28°03'46"E, 10.–12.ix.2014, 3M and 2F; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58'39"N, 28°39'30"E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 2M and 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03'19"N, 28°20'07"E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 4M and 2F.

Distribution. this species is distributed in Palaearctic Region.

*Tricimba albiseta* Dely–Draskovits, 1983

Material examined. Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03'16"N, 28°19'57"E, 16.–27.v.2011, 1M; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03'19"N, 28°20'07"E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 3M.

Distribution. this species is known from Europe.

*Tricimba humeralis* (Loew, 1858)

Material examined. Turkey: Muğla, University campus, YPWT, 720 m, 37°09'42"N, 28°22'13"E, 26.–27.vi.2015, 2M and 11F

Distribution. widely distributed species, recorded from the southern Palaearctic Region and the Afrotropical Region.

*Tricimba hungarica* Dely–Draskovits, 1983

Material examined. Turkey: Muğla, University campus, PT, 700 m, 37°09'42"N, 28°22'21"E, 21.–24.ix.2012, 1M.

Distribution. this species is known only from Hungary, Czech Republic and Ukraine.
*Tricimba lineella* (Fallén, 1820)

**Material examined.** Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32'34"N, 28°03'46"E, 21.ix.2012, 1M; Turkey: Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** widely distributed Palaearctic species.

**Subfamily: Chloropinae**

*Assuania thalhammeri* (Strobl, 1893)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 8 m, 36°59'27"N, 28°38'50"E, 24.ix.2012, 2M; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32'34"N, 28°03'46"E, 10.–12.ix.2014, 4M; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32'34"N, 28°03'46"E, 21.ix.2012, 4M and 3F.

**Distribution.** south Palaearctic species, known from southern Europe and North Africa to Afghanistan.

*Camarota curvipennis* (Latreille, 1805)

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 2M.

**Distribution.** This species is known almost from all Europe (except the northern parts), the Caucasus, southern part of Palaearctic Asia and North Africa.

*Cetema neglectum* Tonnoir, 1921

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03'19"N, 28°20'07"E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 2M; Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** this species is known only from Europe and Turkey.

*Chlorops figuratus* (Zetterstedt, 1848)

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** widely distributed Palaearctic species.
**Chlorops freidmani** Nartshuk, 2012

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 4M and 2F; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58’39”N, 28°39’30”E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 5M and 3F.

**Distribution.** this species is known only from Turkey.

*Chlorops geminatus* Meigen, 1830

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** this species is distributed in Palaearctic Region.

*Chlorops hypostigma* Meigen, 1830

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, SW + YPWT, 8 m, 36°59’27”N, 28°38’50”E, 22.–24. vi.2015, 2M and 1F;

**Distribution.** Palaearctic Region.

*Chlorops interruptus* Meigen, 1830

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 3M.

**Distribution.** this species is known from Palaearctic Region.

*Chlorops limbatus* Meigen, 1830

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 2M; Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03’16”N, 28°19’57”E, 16.–27.v.2011, 8M and 6F.

**Distribution.** widely distributed Palaearctic species.

**Chlorops pumilionis** (Bjerkander, 1778)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Muğla, 700 m, University campus, SW + PT, 37°09’42”N, 28°22’21”E, 29.iv.–10.v.2013, 1F; Turkey: 15km SW of Muğla, damp valley nr.brook, 630 m, 37°06’31”N, 28°15’31”E, 23.v.20111M.

**Distribution.** Eurasian species, known from Europe to Mongolia.
*Chlorops serenus* Loew 1866

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, forest, 37°03'16"N, 28°19'35"E, 30.4.–9.5.2013, 30 m, 1M.

**Distribution.** This species is known from West Palaearctic Region.

*Chloropsina lucens* (Becker, 1910)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03'16"N, 28°19'57"E, 16.–27.v.2011, 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03'09"N, 28°20'17"E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, SW + PT, 37°02'53"N, 28°19'39"E, 28.4.–9.5.2013, 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03'09"N, 28°20'17"E, 8.–14.ix.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** This species was described and hitherto known only from Greece.

*Cryptonevra diadema* (Meigen 1830)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, SW + PT, 37°02'53"N, 28°19'39"E, 28.4.–9.5.2013, 1M; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32'34"N, 28°03'46"E, 21.ix.2012, 3M.

**Distribution.** Species widely distributed in North Africa and Palaearctic Region.

*Cryptonevra flavitarsis* (Meigen, 1830)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, SW + PT, 37°02'53"N, 28°19'39"E, 28.4.–9.5.2013, 2M and 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03'19"N, 28°20'07"E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 3M and 2F; Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03'16"N, 28°19'57"E, 16.–27.v.2011, 4M; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, SW + YPWT, 8 m, 36°59'27"N, 28°38'50"E, 22.–24.vi.2015, 4M and 2F.

**Distribution.** Europe and Kazakhstan.

*Cryptonevra nigritarsis* (Duda, 1933)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03'16"N, 28°19'57"E, 16.–27.v.2011, 1M.

**Distribution.** Palaearctic distributed species.
**Diplotoxa messoria** (Fallén, 1820)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 1M.

**Distribution.** Holarctic species; in the Palaearctic Region known from the British Isles to Far East Russia.

**Eurina ducalis** A. Costa, 1885

**Material examined.** Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58’39”N, 28°39’30”E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 4M and 4F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 4M and 4F.

**Distribution.** This species is known from Central and South Europe, Syria and Israel.

*Eurina lurida* Meigen, 1830

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 1M.

**Distribution.** Widely distributed Palaearctic species known also from Near East.

**Eurina triangularis** Becker, 1903

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 1M.

**Distribution.** This species is known from North Africa (Egypt) and Israel.

*Eutropha fulvifrons* (Haliday, 1833)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, SW + PT, 37°02’53”N, 28°19’39”E, 28.4.–9.5.2013, 3M

**Distribution.** The species is known in Near East and West Palaearctic Region.

*Lagaroceras megalops* Becker, 1903

**Material examined.** Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 10.–12.ix.2014, 2M

**Distribution.** This species is known from Near East (Egypt), Ethiopia, Mozambique and South Africa.
*Lasiosina albipila* (Loew, 1866)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03'09"N, 28°20'17"E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 3M and 1F; Turkey: Akyaka, river bank + salty meadow, 37°03'16"N, 28°19'57"E, 16.–27.v.2011, 2M and 1F.

**Distribution.** Palaearctic species.

*Lasiosina aurea* Dely-Draskovits, 1981

**Material examined.** Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32'34"N, 28°03'46"E, 21.ix.2012, 1M; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03'19"N, 28°20'07"E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 2M; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58'39"N, 28°39'30"E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 8 m, 36°59'27"N, 28°38'50"E, 24.ix.2012, 3M and 3F.

**Distribution.** This species was described from Israel.

*Lasiosina cinctipes* (Meigen, 1830)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 4M.

**Distribution.** Palaearctic species.

*Lasiosina emiliae* Dely-Draskovits, 1982

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, SW + PT, 37°02'53"N, 28°19'39"E, 28.4.–9.5.2013, 2M.

**Distribution.** This species was known earlier from Kazakhstan, Kirghizia, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan.

*Lasiosina herpini* (Guérin-Méneville, 1843)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** Transpalaearctic species.

*Lasiosina immaculata* Becker, 1912

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03'09"N, 28°20'17"E, 23.–27.ix.2012, 4M.

**Distribution.** This species was known earlier from Europe and Near East.
*Lasiosina lindbergi* (Duda, 1933)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58'39"N, 28°39'30"E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 5M.

**Distribution.** Mediterranean species, known from Bulgaria, the North Africa and Corsica.

*Lasiosina paralittoralis* Dely-Draskovits, 1981

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03'09"N, 28°20'17"E, 8.–14. ix.2014, 8M and 4F; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 8 m, 36°59'27"N, 28°38'50"E, 24.ix.2012, 6M and 8F.

**Distribution.** this species was described from Israel.

*Meromyza eduardi* Hubicka, 1966

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, 2 m, 37°01'49"N, 28°20'01"E, 22.vi.–1.vii.2015, 2M and 1F.

**Distribution.** this species was known earlier from Estonia, Lithuania and Poland.

*Meromyza filippovi* Ozerov, 2009

**Material examined.** Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 8 m, 36°59'27"N, 28°38'50"E, 24.ix.2012, 4M and 1F.

**Distribution.** this species is known only from European part of Turkey.

*Meromyza meigeni* Nartshuk, 2006

**Material examined.** Turkey: 13km NE of Muğla, pasture/pine wood, 1200m, 37°14’50"N, 28°30’E, 23.–27.vi.2015, 6M and 9F.

**Distribution.** this species was described from Slovenia and further known from Bulgaria, Albania, Macedonia and Bosnia.

*Meromyza pluriseta* Peterfi, 1961

**Material examined.** Turkey: Gökçeova Gölü, lake shore, 1 750 m, 37°03’42.52"N, 28°48’28.42"E, 20.ix.2012, 6M; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34"N, 28°03’46"E, 21.ix.2012, 4M and 2F.

**Distribution.** Palaearctic species.
**Meromyza nigriventris** Macquart, 1835

**Material examined.** Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 1M.

**Distribution.** Holarctic species: in the Palaearctic Region it is widely distributed from the British Isles to Japan; in North America it is known only from the West.

**Phyladelphus thalhammeri** Becker, 1910

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 4 m, 37°03’09”N, 28°20’17”E, 8.–14.ix.2014, 6M and 4F; Turkey: 8 km S of Çine, river bank, 68 m, 37°32’34”N, 28°03’46”E, 10.–12.ix.2014, 5M and 4F;

**Distribution.** Mediterranean species.

**Thaumatomyia notata** (Meigen, 1830)

**Material examined.** Turkey: Akyaka, forest, 37°03’16”N, 28°19’35”E, 30.4.–9.5.2013, 30 m, 4M and 8F; Turkey: Toparlar, lowland forest, 36°58’39”N, 28°39’30”E, sweeping, 5.–7.5.2013, 2M and 8F; Turkey: Akyaka, pasture, 37°03’19”N, 28°20’07”E, 28.4.–8.5.2013, 6 m, 1M and 6F; Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014, 4M and 8F.

**Distribution.** Widespread species, recorded from the Palaearctic, Afrotropical, and Oriental Regions.

**Thaumatomyia sulcifrons** (Becker, 1907)

**Material examined.** Turkey: 4 km N of Yatagan, *Foeniculus* flowers, 460 m, 37°22’12”N, 28°09’22”E, 30.vi.2015, 1M and 2F.

**Distribution.** South Palaearctic species, known from the Canary Islands to China.

**Descriptions of new species**

**Oscinellinae**

**Dicraeus civeleki** sp. n.

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Figs 1–5

**Type material.** Holotype male, Turkey: Akyaka, salty meadow, 2 m, 37°01’49”N, 28°20’01”E, 22.vi.–1.vii.2015. Holotype is in good condition, abdomen on plastic tags together with the specimen. Paratype: 1M same data.
**Figure 1–3.** Dicraeus civeleki sp. n. (holotype): 1 body (abdomen missing), lateral view 2 body (abdomen missing), dorsal view 3 wing.

**Diagnosis.** Grey dusted black species with yellow face, anterior part of frons, antennae, palpus, fore and mid tibia. Costal vein reaches one-fourth the way between R$_{4+5}$ and M$_{1+2}$.

**Description.** Male. Frons longer than wide, yellow on anterior third and black on posterior portion, ocellar triangle black, 2/3 length of frons. Face and gena yellow. Gena wider than first flagellomere with a row of black peristomal setulae. Palpus yellow with black setulae. Antenna yellow, first flagellomere round and yellow, arista short pubescent. Occiput black. Setae and setulae of head black.

**Thorax** black with grey microtrichosity, entirely covered with black setulae. Scutellum round triangular with long apical convergent setae and a pair of subapicals 2/3 length of
apical ones. Anterior portion of pleura shining, anepisternum and katepisternum partly microtrichose. Chaetotaxy: 2 postpronotal, 1 + 2 notopleural, two postalar and one prescutellar setae. Wing clear with whitish yellow veins. Costal vein reaches one-fourth the length between R_{4+5} and M_{1+2} (Fig 3). Halter whitish yellow. Legs: fore coxa, fore and mid tibia yellow, all femora and hind tibia black. Abdomen brown with a narrow yellow band on tergites. Male genitalia (Figs 4–5): epandrium black, surstylus brownish yellow with several long setae at base. Apex of surstylus broad and straight. Cercus broad and orthogonally curved, not pointed.

**Body length:** 2 mm.

**Female:** unknown.

**Remarks.** The species belongs to subgenus Oedesiella Becker based on the structure of the male genitalia: cerci long and wide apart, surstyli longer than epandrium. Cerci wide and curved, not narrow, straight and pointed, surstylus with wide and straight apex, not narrowed as in *D. sabroskyi* Beschovski, 1977 (Figs 8–9) and not rounded as in *D. beschovski* Nartshuk, 2010 (Figs 6–7).

**Etymology.** Named in honour of Prof. Hasan Civelek, our colleague and dipterologist from Muğla University, Turkey.
Chloropinae

Meromyza samsunensis sp. n.  
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Figs 10–15

Type material. Holotype male, Turkey: Samsun, University campus, 22.vi–4.vii.2014. Holotype is in good condition, abdomen on plastic tags together with the specimen. Paratypes: 2M and 2F same data.

Diagnosis. Species with black palpus on apical half, first flagellomere 1.5 times as long as wide, red grey microtrichose stripes on scutum and hind femur nearly four times thicker than tibia. *Meromyza samsunensis* has anterior process of postgonite widened laterally forming distinct longitudinal rib; upper half parallel and curved, lower half concave. This character is hardly visible in lateral view (Fig 15). In *M. femorata*, the anterior process of postgonite is flat, wide and with three to four smooth spinules on the surface (Fig 16).

Description. Male (Figs 10–11). Ground colour yellow. Frons produced anteriorly, produced region of frons same width of first flagellomere. Ocellar triangle occupying two-thirds of frons, shining, rugose on apical portion and black on ocellar tubercle only, with one row of black interfrontal setae along sides. First flagellomere 1.5 times as long as wide, yellow, darkened on dorsal portion and with long pale setulae. Arista yellow, nearly bare. Genal as wide as first flagellomere. Vibrissal angle obtuse. Palpus black on apical half and yellow basally.

Thorax: Scutum with red grey microtrichose stripes, midstripe reaching scutellum and scutellum with small red mark. Pleura with red marks except small black mark on anepisternum. Wing hyaline with whitish yellow veins. Halter whitish yellow. Legs yellow, fore tarsus darkened. Hind femur strongly swollen, nearly four times as thick as tibia (Fig 12).

Figure 10–12. *Meromyza samsunensis* sp. n. (paratype): 10 body lateral view 11 body dorsal view 12 hind femora, lateral (dorsal) view.
Abdomen: yellow with dark midstripe and small spots on tergites 2–5. Male genitalia (Figs 13–14): epandrium yellow, with long curved surstylus evenly covered with small setulae. The upper half of anterior process of postgonite is parallel and curved, lower half concave. Posterior process enlarged (Fig 15).

Body length 3.5–4.0 mm.

Remarks. New species has elongated first flagellomere. The character is rear in *Meromyza*, only two species have elongated first flagellomere: *Meromyza mirabilis* Fedoseeva, 1974 and *Meromyza longicornis* (Frey, 1921). *Meromyza mirabilis* has first flagellomere 1.5 times as long as wide (similar to *M. samsunensis* sp. n) but palpus is yellow and stripes on the scutum are brown. *Meromyza longicornis* has first flagellomere 2.5 times as long as wide and hind femur 3 times as wide as hind tibia. *M. samsunensis* sp. n is similar to *Meromyza femorata* Macquart, 1835 in having red stripes on the scutum with median stripe reaching the scutellum, palpus black on apical half, and hind femur strongly swollen. The main difference between both species is in the shape of postgonite.

Etymology. the species epithet refers to the location where the holotype was collected (the city of Samsun).

Comments

The new species may be included in the key to Palaearctic species of the genus *Meromyza* Meigen (Nartshuk and Fedoseeva, 2011) by the following modification:
123 (124) Hind femur strongly thickened, at least 4 times as wide as hind tibia. Stripes of scutum rufous ................................................................. 123a
123a Anterior process of postgonite flat, wide and with three to four smooth spikes on surface (Fig. 16).........................................................M. femorata
123b Anterior process of postgonite widened laterally forming distinct longitudinal rib; upper half parallel and curved, lower half concave. (Fig. 15)...... 
..............................................................................................................M. samsunensis sp. n.

124 (123) Hind femur moderately thickened, less than 3 times as wide as hind tibia. Stripes of scutum mostly dark; if rufus, anterior margin of anterior process of postgonite sharply narrowed and projecting.

Discussion

Altogether 114 species of the family Chloropidae are known at the present time from Turkey. Nine genera (Calamoncosis, Eribolus, Gaurax, Incertella, Speccafrons, Trachysiphonella, Chloropsina, Eutropha, and Lagaroceras) and 46 species are recorded here for the first time. Two species (Dicraeus civeleki sp. n. and Meromyza samsunensis sp. n.) are described. Based on comparisons with the Chloropidae fauna of some adjacent countries, it seems as though the number of Chloropidae species in Turkey is in fact much larger: Bulgaria (Beschovski 1985) with 144 species, Israel with more than 100 species (Kaplan 1977), 51 species from Greece (Nartshuk 2010) and 394 species are known to occur in Europe (Nartshuk 2013).

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