Progressive and Regressive Algae of the Genus *Navicula* Bory (*Bacillariophyta*) of Water Bodies of the Chirchik River Basin (Uzbekistan) and Protecshion

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Abstract: In the article, the authors present for the first time the progressive and regressing algae of the genus *Navicula* Bory (*Bacillariophyta*) in the water bodies of the Chirchik River basin. The research was carried out during 2005-2012, 2018-2020 yy. with the National Universities of Uzbekistan and the Institutes and Botany of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan. 122 species and varieties of algae of the genus *Navicula* Bory have been identified. Among them, new species for water bodies, saprobic indicators were noted, the seasonality of algae was studied. The main new ideas in the article are as follows: among the algae found, it is progressive algae 6. They are found "often", "very often", "in mass or mass" in one field of view of the objective, their frequency of occurrence is equal to 5, 7, 9 points and is considered a resistant species in various environmental conditions, being a promising algae with full life. 96 - less progressive algae, occurs "often", "rarely", "in mass or mass" in one field of view of the objective, their frequency of occurrence is equal to 5, 7, 9 points and is considered a resistant species in various environmental conditions, being a promising algae with full life. 20 species and varieties are regressing algae, in water bodies it meets only "units" (single), the frequency of occurrence is equal to 1 (one) point and is considered unstable algae of the investigated water bodies, in the future, there is a threat to safety and Not Live! (No Life!) Needs protection. It was proposed to include in the next issue of the "Red Book" of the Institute of Botany of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan, as well as to accept and include in the list of protected microorganisms water bodies of Uzbekistan under the Committee for Ecology and Nature Protection of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

Keywords: *Bacillariophyta*: Genus *Navicula* Bory, Progressive, Less Progressive, Regressive, Navicular Algae, Protection, Recommendations
1. Introduction

1.1. Relevance of the Topic

At present, abiotic, biotic and anthropogenic environmental [1, 15, 24] factors have a fairly wide impact and significantly affect the growth and development of microorganisms, including microalgae, living in various water bodies. There are some factors that help the development of aquatic microorganisms, and there are some factors that threaten, from which microalgae become on the verge of disappearance or disappearing microalgae. All over the water bodies of the world, including the CIS water bodies, more than 20 percent is occupied by the genus Navicula Bory [18, 19]. Among the reservoirs of Uzbekistan, the reservoirs of the Chirchik River basin in terms of biological diversity, diatom algae (Bacillariophyta) prevail [2]. Among diatoms, algal species of the genus Navicula Bory are considered rich in biodiversity [5, 13, 16, 23]. We know that algae are producers and form a food base for aquatic and for aquatic hydrobiont organisms. Also, there are oxygen sources for their life. Participates in self-purification and bioindication of water quality in reservoirs. They also participate in biological wastewater treatment. The biological diversity of algae, rational use and their protection is currently an urgent problem. In this regard, the topic "Progressing and regressing microalgae of the genus Navicula Bory..." is considered a very relevant idea, which raises these issues for the first time in Uzbekistan and meets one of the main tasks of scientific research of the global problem "Man and the Biosphere".

There is no information about these topics in the previous literature [6-8, 13, 17, 20-22]. The topic is being studied for the first time by us.

1.2. Objective of the Research

To study the progressive and regressing microalgae of the genus Navicula Bory in water bodies of the Chirchik river basin

1.3. Research Objectives

1) Collection of materials from various water bodies of the Chirchik river basin and their determination of the species composition;
2) Taxonomic analyzes of microalgae and their distribution in water bodies;
3) Progressing microalgae and their prospects;
4) Regressing microalgae and their perspectives;
5) Development of recommendations for protection "On the verge of endangered species of microalgae of the genus Navicula Bory" (Bacillariophyta).

2. Materials and Research Methods

The collection of materials was carried [11] out from 2006 to 2012, and continued until 2018-2020 at the Department of Ecology of the National University of Uzbekistan and together with the "Algological collection" of the Institute of Botany of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan. A sample was collected from various reservoirs of the Chirchik River basin using algological and hydrobiological research methods. To determine the species composition of the genus Navicula Bory, a Carl Zeiss light microscope was used. The species composition was determined according to the key to freshwater algae of the USSR (1951), issue 4 Diatoms (Bacillariophyta) [12, 14, 28]. The number of algae was assessed using a relative frequency scale (1-9) after recalculation per 100 fields of view in accordance with the categories (first and second) of cell size [25]. To store the database - a personal computer hp Samsung Word 10 program.

3. Results and Discussion

3.1. Results

As a result, for a sufficient time, algological materials were collected and processed, the species composition of microalgae was determined, as a result, a list of progressive and regressing microalgae in water bodies of the Chirchik river basin was compiled. The collected algological samples are stored in the algological collection of the Institute of Botany of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan, partly at the Department of Ecology of the National University of Uzbekistan, and the list of progressive and regressing microalgae of the genus Navicula Bory is stored in the "Database of Algological Collections" and "TASH" of the Institute of Botany of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

The collection materials were used during educational processes at the Department of Ecology of the Ecological Faculty and at the Department of Botany of the Biological Faculty of the National University of Uzbekistan and of the Osh State University of Kyrgyzstan.

122 species and varieties of microalgae of the genus Navicula Bory have been identified for the water bodies of the basin.

3.2. Discussion Progressive and Regressive Algae

Among the species of the genus Navicula Bory, N.constantini (Skv.) Skabitch., N.cryptoccephala Kuetz N.cryptocephala var. veneta Grun., N.lanceolata var. cymbula (Donk.) Cl., N.lanceolata var. tenella A. S., N.menisculus var. meniscus (Schum.) Hust. are the progressive species of water bodies in the Chirchik River basin. They develop abundantly mainly in summer and autumn, the frequency of occurrence is «often», «very often», and «the mass» is from 5 to 9 points (table 1). These algae differ from others, more resistant to survival in a given environment, high growth rates and have a practical nutritional value of food among aquatic organisms.

They are distributed over water bodies in this way. Among the progressive microalgae, all 6 species are found in the right-bank irrigation system, mainly - "often", "in mass" quantities; 4 species are found in rice fields – «often»; 3 - in
the Chirchik river – "often" and in "bulk" or "the mass"; 2 - for mountain reservoirs, reservoir and left-bank irrigation system - "rarely" and "often"; and in fish ponds there is only 1 species; biological ponds - not marked. The high frequency of occurrence of algae is from 5 to 9 points. Two species are indicator algae and two species were first discovered for the basin (table 1).

Table 1. Progressive algal species of the genus Navicula Bory of water bodies of the Chirchik river basin.

| Department name Bacillariophyta - Diatomaceous algae | Saprobity | Frequency of occurrence of algae by seasons of the year |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Class Pennateae, Order Raphiales, Suborder Diraphineae, Family Naviculaceae West, Genus Navicula Bory | Algae saprobity, S | Spring | Summer | Autumn | Winter |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. N. constantii (Skv.) Skabitch. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 2. N. cryptophyta Kuetz. | a | r | orm | r |
| 3. N. cryptophyta var. veneta Grun. | a | or | or | mor |
| 4. N. lanceolata var. cymbula (Donk.) Cl. | s | s | mrs |
| 5. N. lanceolata var. tenella A. S. | | | |
| 6. N. meniscus var. meniscus (Schum.) Hast. | | | |
| Total: | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 1 |

Table 1. Continued.

| Department name Bacillariophyta - Diatomaceous algae | Frequency of occurrence of algae in the basin | New species for |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Class Pennateae, Order Raphiales, Suborder Diraphineae, Family Naviculaceae West, Genus Navicula Bory | Mountain rivers, Reservoir | Chirchik river | Right irrigation system | Left irrigation system | Fish ponds | Biological ponds | Rice fields | Chirchik river basin | Water bodies of Central Asia |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. N. constantii (Skv.) Skabitch. | 1 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 2. N. cryptophyta Kuetz. | r | m | rom | | | | | | |
| 3. N. cryptophyta var. veneta Grun. | r | m | mro | or | r | | | | |
| 4. N. lanceolata var. cymbula (Donk.) Cl. | m | m | | rom | | | | | |
| 5. N. lanceolata var. tenella A. S. | m | m | | | | | | | |
| 6. N. meniscus var. meniscus (Schum.) Hast. | r | m | rm | | | | | | |
| Total: | 2 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 |

Note: here and elsewhere, the frequency of occurrence is noted, which is equal to the following point system for hydrobiological research methods (1977): s – «singles» or «singulary» or «unis» (1 point), r – «rarely» (3 points), o – «often» (5 points), vo – «very often» (7 points), m – «in mass» or «mass» (9 points). alpha-mesosaprob.

96 species and varieties - less progressive algae, found "rarely", mostly "often" in the water bodies of the Chirchik river basin. They are considered less resistant algae and less promising. The frequency of occurrence is equal to their 3 and 5 points. However, along with progressive and less progressive algae, regressing algae, such as Navicula contenta f. parallela Boye R., N. cryptophyta var. hancensis Skv., N. elongata Poretsky and others, are found on the verge of disappearing from the left bank irrigation systems. N. dicephala var. elginensis (Greg.) Grun was recorded in summer, autumn, and winter in the right bank irrigation system; in spring, summer and autumn - N. pelliculosa (Breb.) Hilse in the left bank irrigation system (table 2).

Regressing algae species of the genus Navicula Bory were recorded in 10 - in the left-bank, 5 - in the right-bank irrigation systems, 10 - in rice fields, 2 - in biological ponds. Among these, one species N. placentula (Ehr.) Grun. is first discovered in the water bodies of the Chirchik river basin. No regressing algae were found in mountain water bodies, reservoirs, fish ponds of the Chirchik river basin.

Studied the seasonality of regressing algae. Regressing algae of the genus Navicula Bory were recorded in water bodies of 2 species - in spring, 15 species - in summer, 9 species - in autumn and 2 species - in winter. They develop in a "single" amount or their frequency of occurrence is equal to "one point". This result proves that 20 species of algae from the genus Navicula Bory are on the verge of disappearing or regressing algae in the water bodies of the Chirchik River basin, and need protection.

3.3. Main Influencing Factors on the Life of Algae

Currently, climate change has caused the greenhouse effect. Those phenomena led to a reduction in the area of glaciers. For example, over 40 years the position of the frontal line of the Kara-Batkak glacier has changed significantly.

The retreat of the frontal line of the glacier in the period from 1977 [9] to 2018 [27] averaged 375 meters [26], which corresponds to an average retreat rate of 5 to 8 meters per year. A certain influence on the glacier regime is exerted by the pollution of the glacier surface with various substances, the role of which in the intensification of the glacier melting is significant. For this reason, in most glaciers, the length and area of their open part gradually decrease over time. In addition, in most of the glacial zones of the Western Tien Shan [29], as well as in low areas of the Turkestan ridge, the seasonal snow line has gone beyond the ridge, as a result of which there is an increasing reduction in the areas of ice and firm. The range of distribution of glaciers in height is from
3371 to 4411 m above sea level. The main part of the glacier area is concentrated in the 3500-3900 m above sea level (83.4%). Reduction of ice and firm predicts low water supply in river basins of snow-water supply. This will lead to degradation of aquatic environments. From low water the photosynthetic layers of reservoirs become crowded and dense. There is not enough water to split the mass. Gas exchange with water and air is gradually disrupted. Eutrophication of water bodies is increasing. This is the first factor related to climate change [10]. Secondly: at present, the intensification of anthropogenic impact (industrial, municipal, agricultural wastewater and their emissions) affects the state of river basins. In connection, the degree of pollution of water chemicals is exceeded from the maximum permissible control (MPC) standards for the use of sanitary and fish farms [4]. For example, according to the data of Uzhydromet (1982, 2009, 2014) based on ionic anions and cations in the Bozsu channel, Levoberezhny Karasu channel, etc., as well as the Chirchik river, water salinity in the upper part is in the range of 180-286.1 mg / l, the composition is bicarbonate-calcium ($\text{HCO}_3^-$-Ca) with a hardness of 1.85-2.27 mg-eq / l (soft).

Table 2. Regressing algae species of the genus Navicula Bory of water bodies of the Chirchik river basin.

| Department name Bacillariophyta - Diatomaceous algae | Algae saprobity, S | Frequency of occurrence of algae by seasons of the year |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Class Pennatae                                      |                   | Spring | Summer | Autumn | Winter |
| Order Raphinales                                    |                   |        |        |        |        |
| Suborder Diraphinae                                 |                   |        |        |        |        |
| Family Naviculaceae West.                           |                   |        |        |        |        |
| Genus Navicula Bory                                 |                   |        |        |        |        |

1. **N.contenta** Eparallita Boye P.  
2. **N.crucigeria** (W.Sm.) Cl.  
3. **N.anglica** var.minuta Skv.  
4. **N.pseudopendula** var.pamphylia Skv.  
5. **N.cryptodiscus** var.lata Poretzky et Anissimova  
6. **N.cryptodiscus** var.elginensis (Kuetz.) Grun.  
7. **N.dicephala** var.elginensis (Greg.) Grun.  
8. **N.pseudopendula** var.elginensis (Greg.) Grun.  
9. **N.formosa** var.intermedia Skabitsch.  
10. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  
11. **N.integra** var.intermedia Skabitsch.  
12. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  
13. **N.integra** var.intermedia Skabitsch.  
14. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  
15. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  
16. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  
17. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  
18. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  
19. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  
20. **N.pseudopendula** (Breb.) Grun.  

Total: 0 2 15 9 2

Table 2. Continued.

| Department name Bacillariophyta - Diatomaceous algae | Frequency of occurrence of algae in the basin | New species for |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Class Pennatae                                      | Mountain rivers, Reservoir | Chirchik river | Right irrigation system | Left irrigation system | Fish ponds | Biological ponds | Rice fields | Chirchik river basin | Water bodies of Central Asia |
| Order Raphinales                                    | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Suborder Diraphinae                                 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Family Naviculaceae West.                           | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| Genus Navicula Bory                                 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
In the middle (584.0-648.7 mg / l) and lower (1002.6-1500 mg / l) parts, especially in the estuary, the water salinity reaches 2890.3 mg / l, the water composition is hydrocarbonate-sulphate-sodium calcium character (HCO₃⁻ - SO₄²⁻ – Na – Ca), with a hardness of 6.22-11.0-22.06 mg-eq / l (very hard) [3]. Also slightly or noticeably exceeded from the norm – biogens: Ammonium salt NH₄⁺, nitrate ion NO₃⁻, nitrite NO₂⁻, potassium K⁺, magnesium Mg²⁺, calcium Ca²⁺, copper Cu²⁺, nickel Ni²⁺, Zinc Zn²⁺, fluorine F⁻, cobalt Co²⁺, pesticides chlorine, sodium Na⁺, arsenic As³⁺, cyanides, chromium Cr³⁺, Cr⁶⁺, sulfate SO₄²⁻, ion, chloride Cl⁻ ion, oil products, phenols, vanadium V⁵⁺, molybdenum Mo⁶⁺, lead Pb²⁺, mercury Hg²⁺, magnesium Mg³⁺.

In some points, they have a detrimental effect on the life of aquatic organisms. In this regard, the species composition and quantity is reduced, becomes rare, even disappearing in the way. They are called regressive algae. There are such aquatic organisms, they do not react to this, on the contrary they thrive. They are called progressive aquatic organisms or algae of the investigated water bodies.

These two factors of climate change and anthropogenic load are the main influencing, threatening factors on the life of Navicula algae in the water bodies of the Chirchik river basin.

We recommend that 20 species of them be included in the next issue of the "Red Book on Plant Protection of Uzbekistan" and in the "Committee for Ecology and Nature Protection of the Republic of Uzbekistan". In the future, they should be included in the list in the protection of "protected plants and microorganisms of the Republic of Uzbekistan"; in the section of microalgae microorganisms and periodically check with algologists their presence in the water bodies of the Chirchik river basin and eliminate the threatening factors, such as pollution of the water bodies of the Chirchik river basin with toxic substances.

From the genus Navicula Bory, in diatoms (Bacillariophyta), 122 species and varieties of algae were found in water bodies of the Chirchik River basin. Six species among algae are progressive, 96 are less progressive and 20 are regressive. An the future, progressive "full of life" will live, because they are more stable in different conditions, in water bodies they are always found "very often", "in mass" or the frequency of occurrence of 5,7,9 points; less progressive types of algae, they are intermediate, less resistant, their frequency of occurrence is always "often", sometimes "rare", the occurrence is equal to 5 and 3 points, but in the future there is "half life" and will live under great stress. Regressive species are always found "singly" or the frequency of occurrence is equal to one point. In the future, a threat to the safety of their lives is expected? maybe Not Live! (No Life!).

4. Conclusions

1) Studied the seasonality of progressive and regressing algae. In both cases, it is more varied in summer and autumn. Less in spring and winter.
2) Found for the first time new algae for water bodies of the Chirchik river basin among progressive and regressing ones.
3) Indicator-saprobic species of algae were noted among progressive algae.
4) Progressive algae are widespread: in the water bodies of the right-bank irrigation system there are only 6 species, in the left-bank ones - 2, the Chirchik river - 3, rice fields - 4, mountain reservoirs, a reservoir - 2, fish ponds - 1, biological pond - not marked. They are resilient and promising algae
5) Less progressive, less resistant algae, there are 96 of them, the frequency of occurrence is “rare”, “often and equal to 5, 3 points. And it is less promising.
6) Regressing algae are widespread: in water bodies of right-bank irrigation systems - 5, left-bank ones - 10, biological pond - 2, rice fields - 10. In the Chirchik river and mountain reservoirs, reservoir and fish ponds - not recorded. A regressive perspective is not guaranteed, a threat to the safety of life is expected.

5. Recommendations

Recommended to cultivate progressive microalgae for use in fish ponds, biological treatment plant and rice paddies, they are resistant to different habitats; We recommend regressing algae, in the amount of 20 species of them to be included in the next issue of the “Red Book on Plant
Protection of Uzbekistan” of the Institute of Botany of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan, also in the "Committee of Ecology and Nature Protection of the Republic of Uzbekistan", in the future they should be included in the list in the protection of "protected plants and microorganisms of the Republic of Uzbekistan", in the section of microalgae microorganisms and periodically check with algologists their presence in the water bodies of the Chirchik river basin and take measures about the prospect of these algae, eliminate the threat factors, such as pollution with toxic substances that come with wastewater from the Chirchik river basin.

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