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# THE GENUS ENOCHRUS THOMSON (COLEOPTERA: HYDROPHILIDAE) FROM TURKEY, CHECKLIST AND NEW RECORDS

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Abstract — A review of the *Enochrus* species recorded from Turkey is provided. Twelve species of the genus recorded by previous authors are summarized, *Enochrus halophilus* (Bedel) and *Enochrus politus* (Kuster) are recorded for the first time to the Turkish fauna and additional some records are provided from the country. Diagnostic characters of some species as well as the photographs of their aedeagophores are provided. Several species known previously from only a few localities in Turkey have been shown to have much wider distributions in the country.

Key words: Enochrus, Hydrophilidae, Coleoptera, checklist, new records, Turkey

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#### INTRODUCTION

The aquatic Coleoptera of the genus *Enochrus* Thomson are among the commonest species of the European hydrophilids that they have rather many species, of which some usually occur in high numbers on the suitable localities. Their taxonomy is still poorly known, and in consequence many species are confused and many old records are based on misidentification, especially in ecological studies conducted by nonspecialists. As a result of this, the distribution, biology as well as ecological characteristics are only vaguely known even for the common species. Inadequate identification of the species also makes comparison between works of different authors virtually impossible (Ribera et al., 1997).

The Turkish fauna has not been investigated completely until now. Up to date, 12 species of the *Enochrus* belonging to the family Hydrophilidae have been recorded from Turkey (Chiesa, 1964; Özesmi and Önder, 1988; Ribera et al., 1997; Schödl, 1997, 1998; Hebauer, 2004; Hebauer and Ryndevich, 2005; İncekara et al., 2005; Darılmaz and Kıyak, 2006; Kıyak et al., 2006; Mart et al., 2009).

The aim of this paper is to summarize all known

data on the *Enochrus* species from Turkey, and add some new data from Turkey.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

Samples were collected from the edge of various water bodies with a sieve, a ladle and a net having meshes size of 1 mm. The beetles were killed with 70% alcohol, and in the laboratory were cleaned off from clayey and muddy substances with a small paintbrush. The aedeagophore was dissected under a stereomicroscope.

The newly recorded species was described and photographs of important aedeagus showing diagnostic taxonomic characters were taken. The classification reported by Hansen (2004) is followed in this paper.

The following codens are used for the collections where material is located: ZMGU Zoological Museum of Gazi University, Ankara, Turkey; NMPC Národní Museum, Praha, Czech Republic

#### **RESULTS**

1. Enochrus (Enochrus) melanocephalus (Olivier, 1792)

Synonyms: Hydrophilus melanocephalus Olivier,

1792; Hydrophilus bicolor Gyllenhal, 1808; Hydrobius atricapillus Stephens, 1829; Hydrophilus melanocephalus var. striatus Cristofori & Jan, 1832; Enochrus bicolor var. italus Kuwert, 1890

**Records in Turkey:** Aksaray, Erzincan (İncekara et al., 2005; Darılmaz and Kıyak, 2006).

**Range:** A western Palaearctic species, ranging from North Africa and Spain across Europe including Scandinavia to Turkey and Israel (Hansen 2004).

## 2. Enochrus (Lumetus) ater (Kuwert, 1888)

Synonym: Philydrus ater Kuwert, 1888

**Records in Turkey:** Antalya (Hebauer and Ryndevich, 2005).

Range: An eastern European and Central Asian species, ranging from Italy and central Europe across Near East to Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan (Hansen, 2004).

#### 3. Enochrus (L.) bicolor (Fabricius, 1792)

Synonyms: Dytiscus chrysomelinus Fabricius, 1787; Hydrophilus bicolor Fabricius, 1792; Hydrophilus fulvus Marsham, 1802; Hydrophilus torquatus Marsham, 1802; Hydrophilus grisescens Gyllenhal, 1827; Hydrobius grisescens Dejean, 1833; Hydrobius ferrugineus Küster, 1849; Philhydrus maritimus Thomson, 1853; Philydrus grisescens var. labiatus Rey, 1885; Philydrus ferrugineus var. rubicundus Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus sternospina Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus atricornis Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus unguidebilis Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus sahlbergi Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus flavus Kuwert, 1890; Philhydrus levanderi J. Sahlberg, 1892; Philhydrus mediterraneus J. Sahlberg, 1900; Enochrus yukinoae Matsui, 1994.

Additional material examined: Turkey, Edirne env. (drain in flooded meadow), 16.vi.2001, Fikáček & Hájek lgt., 1 male, 2 spec., det. M. Fikáček & S. Schödl (coll. NMPC).

**Records in Turkey:** Aksaray, Ankara, Antalya, Denizli, Erzincan, Kars, Kırşehir, Van, İçel (Schödl, 1998; Darılmaz and Kıyak, 2006; Kıyak et al., 2006).

Range: A Palaearctic species distributed from Europe across Central Asia to Russian Far East (Schödl, 1998; Hansen, 2004; Hebauer & Ryndevich 2005).

Remarks: First record of Europen part of Turkey.

### 4. Enochrus (L.) fuscipennis (Thomson, 1884)

Synonyms: Philydrus nigricans Schwarz, 1872; Philydrus marginatus Sahlberg, 1875; Philydrus fuscipennis Thomson, 1884; Philydrus sahlbergi Fauvel, 1887; Philydrus berolinensis Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus melanocephalus var. fasciatus Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus nigricans var. similis Kuwert, 1888.

**Records in Turkey:** Aksaray, Artvin, Denizli, Erzincan, Erzurum, Rize (İncekara et al., 2005; Darılmaz and Kıyak, 2006; Kıyak et al., 2006).

**Range:** A western Palaearctic species ranging from Europe to the Near East and Central Asia (Hansen, 2004).

## 5. Enochrus (L.) halophilus (Bedel, 1878)

**Synonyms:** *Philydrus halophilus* Bedel, 1878; *Philydrus salinus* Kuwert, 1888; *Philydrus brevipalpis* Sharp, 1914

**Diagnosis:** Body length 4.5 - 5.5 mm. Head paler, frons rather pale; labrum pale, in male often darkened in medially. Pronotum, however, not black in middle with a large brownish rather vaguely demarcated spot. Maxillary palpi uniformly reddish yellow and apex of terminal segment indistinct brown. Ventral surface yellowish to brown. Very similar to *E. fuscipennis* and *E. quadripunctatus*. One constant feature that can also be used in the identification is the coloration of the pronotum, without a defined dark spot in middle, unlike *E. fuscipennis* and *E. quadripunctatus*. Aedeagus is on Fig. 1.

**Material examined:** Turkey, West Anatolia, Afyon Province, Çay District (Pazarağaç Village-Marsh), 38°36'N 30°51'E, 996 m, 17.VI.2009, 35 ex., Darilmaz leg. and det. (Coll. ZMGU).

**Range:** The distribution area of this species includes most of northern and central Europe and Cyprus

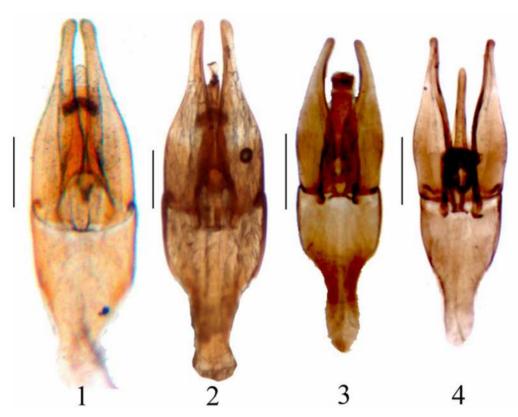


Fig. 1-4. Aedeagophore. (1) E. halophilus; (2) E. politus, (3) E. coarctatus, (4) E. nigritus. Scale bar =  $100 \mu m$ .

(Hansen, 2004).

**Remarks:** *E. halophilus* is here recorded from Turkey for the first time.

#### 6. Enochrus (L.) ochropterus (Marsham, 1802)

**Synonyms:** Hydrophilus ochropterus Marsham, 1802; Hydrobius frontalis Erichson, 1837; Hydrophilus nigricans Zetterstedt, 1838

Records in Turkey: Bolu (Abant) (Chiesa, 1964).

**Range:** A Palaearctic species ranging from Europe to eastern Siberia (Hansen, 2004).

**Remarks:** *E. ochropterus* had not been included to Turkish fauna by Hansen (2004). However it was reported from Turkey for the first time by Chiesa (1964).

## 7. Enochrus (L.) politus (Küster, 1849)

**Synonyms:** *Hydrobius politus* Küster, 1849; *Philhydrus* 

agrigentinus Rottenberg, 1870; *Philydrus atlanticus* C. E. Blanchard, 1853; *Philydrus cossyrensis* Rey, 1885; *Philhydrus sahariensis* Fairmaire, 1879

**Diagnosis:** Body length 5.0 - 5.5 mm. Body shining black on the surface, with a broadly paler border to pronotum. Maxillary palpi testaceus and second segment indistinctly black. Ventral surface pitchy black. Aedeagus is on Fig. 2.

Additional material examined: Turkey, West Anatolia, Uşak Province, Eşme District (1. km-stream), 38°38'N 29°03'E, 554 m, 17.IX.2008, 7 ex., Darilmaz leg. and det. (Coll. ZMGU).

Range: South Mediterranean species ranging from Spain to North Africa and Syria and Israel, reaching Afghanistan (Hansen, 2004).

**Remarks:** *E. politus* is here recorded from Turkey for the first time.

8. Enochrus (L.) quadripunctatus (Herbst, 1797)

Synonyms: Hydrophilus quadripunctatus Herbst, 1797; Hydrophilus minutus Paykull, 1798; Hydrophilus melanocephalus Fabricius, 1801; Hydrophilus melanocephalus var. dichrous Krynicki, 1832; Philhydrus dermestoides Castelnau, 1840; Philydrus rectus J. Sahlberg, 1875; Philhydrus melanocephalus var. frontalis Dalla Torre, 1877; Philydrus melanocephalus var. fulvipennis Rey, 1885; Philydrus ytenensis Sharp, 1915; Philydrus quadripunctatus var. marginatus Gozis, 1916.

Additional material examined: Turkey, Edirne env. (drain in flooded meadow), 16.vi.2001, 1 male, 1 female, Fikáček & Hájek lgt., M. Fikáček det. (NMPC).

**Records in Turkey:** Antalya, Denizli, Isparta (Hebauer and Ryndevich, 2005).

**Range:** A widespread Palaearctic species, missing only in North Africa and the easternmost parts of the Palaearctic Region (Hansen, 2004).

**Remarks:** First record in the European part of Turkey.

## 9. Enochrus (L.) salomonis (J. Sahlberg, 1900)

Synonym: Philhydrus salomonis J. Sahlberg, 1900

Additional material examined: Turkey, Adana vill., 10 km W of Boztahta (flooded meadow with stream), 37°21′N, 35°07′E, 25.-26.vi.2001, M. Fikáček & J. Hájek lgt., 1 female, det. S. Schödl; (coll. NMPC); Adana vill., 10 km N of Adana, Karaömerli env., Seyhan Baraji (dam, littoral), 37°07′N 35°20′E, Fikáček & Hájek lgt., 1 male + 2 spec., S. Schödl det. (NMPC).

**Records in Turkey:** Without detailed locality (Ribera et al., 1997).

**Range:** Distributed from Spain and the Near East to Central Asia but absent in central Europe (Hansen, 2004).

**Remarks:** This species is confirmed for Turkey and the first exact locality is given.

10. Enochrus (L.) segmentinotatus (Kuwert, 1888)

**Synonyms:** Philydrus segmentinotatus Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus apicinotus Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus maculiapex Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus vultur Kuwert, 1888; Philhydrus mediterraneus var. transcaspicus J. Sahlberg, 1900

Records in Turkey: Adana, Ankara, Aydın, Çanakkale, Hakkari, İçel, İstanbul, İzmir, Kırşehir, Konya, Muğla (Schödl, 1998; Hebauer, 2004; Darılmaz and Kıyak, 2006).

**Range: Europe:** A widespread Palaearctic species (Hansen, 2004).

#### 11. Enochrus (L.) testaceus (Fabricius, 1801)

**Synonyms:** Hydrophilus testaceus Fabricius, 1801; Philhydrus testaceus var. maculicollis Dalla Torre, 1877; Philydrus lederi Kuwert, 1888; Philydrus testaceus var. lineatus Kuwert, 1888.

**Records in Turkey:** Kayseri (Özesmi and Önder, 1988).

**Range:** A widespread Palaearctic species, missing only in North Africa and the easternmost parts of the Palaearctic Region (Hansen, 2004).

**Remarks:** *E. testaceus* is not included for Turkey in Hansen (2004). However, it was found in Turkey by Özesmi and Önder (1988).

## 12. Enochrus (Methydrus) coarctatus (Gredler, 1863)

**Synonyms:** Philhydrus coarctatus Gredler, 1863; Philhydrus marginellus Schwarz, 1872; Philhydrus suturalis Sharp, 1872; Philhydrus coarctatus var. fulvipennis Westhoff, 1881; Philhydrus labiatus Kuwert, 1888

**Diagnosis:** Body length 3.7 - 4.5 mm. Head black, pale spots in front of eyes distinct and yellow. Pronotum brownish with a dark central area. Sutural intervals dark in at least the back two-thirds. Maxillary palpi yellowish-red with terminal segment only rather feebly darkened in middle. Median lobe of aedeagus wide, paramers digitate and arched inwards (Fig. 3).

Additional material examined: Turkey, West

Anatolia, Afyon Province, Çay District, Eber Lake, 973 m. 38°36'N 31°09'E, 19.IV.2008, 21 ex., Darilmaz leg. and det. (Coll. ZMGU).

Records in Turkey: Ordu (Mart et al., 2009)

Range: A widespread Palaearctic species, common especially in central and northern Europe, reaching as far as Greece in the south and Russian Far East in the east (Hansen, 2004; Hebauer & Ryndevich, 2005).

**Remarks:** The first record of *E. coarctatus* from Turkey was given by Mart et al. (2009). In this study the second record is given for the country.

## 13. Enochrus (M.) nigritus (Sharp, 1872)

**Synonyms:** *Philhydrus nigritus* Sharp, 1872; *Enochrus isotae* Hebauer, 1981

**Diagnosis:** Body length 3.4 - 3.6 mm. Head black, pale spots in front of eyes pale yellow. Pronotum black, with paler margins. Sutural intervals edge of suture and sutural striae narrowly dark but intervals clear. Last segment of maxillary palpi dark at tip and darker than second segment. Aedeagus with long narrow median lobe, apex of paramers slightly sinuate (Fig. 4).

Additional material examined: Turkey, West Anatolia, Afyon Province, Çay District, Eber Lake, 973 m. 38°36'N 31°09'E, 27.VI.2007, 3 ex., Darilmaz leg. and det. (Coll. ZMGU).

**Records in Turkey:** İstanbul, Kırklareli (Schödl, 1997).

**Range:** A Palaearctic species, ranging from Great Britain, France and Spain across Iran and Turkey to western Siberia and Kazakhstan, and North Africa (Hansen, 2004).

**Remarks:** The first record of *E. nigritus* from Turkey was given by Schödl (2002). In this study the second record is given for Turkey. Also this species is new to the Anatolian region.

## 14. Enochrus (M.) tetraspilus (Régimbart, 1903)

Synonym: Philhydrus tetraspilus Régimbart, 1903

**Records in Turkey:** Adana, Antalya, Gaziantep (Hebauer and Ryndevich, 2005).

Range: Asia: Bhutan, Nepal, Turkey, Yemen, Afrotropical region, Oriental region (Hansen, 2004).

#### **CONCLUSION**

This publication includes records of the species *E. halophilus* and *E. politus* new to Turkey, bringing the total number of species known from Turkey to 14 species of the genus *Enochrus*. Furthermore this study includes exact locality of the species of *E. salomonis*. Two species, *E. bicolor* and *E. quadripunctatus*, known previously from only Anatolian part in Turkey have been shown to inhabit the European part of Turkey, in the Marmara region. Although the water beetle fauna of Turkey is now better known, more studies are required to better understand the overall distribution.

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