

New Records of Leaf-Beetles, Chrysomelidae (Coleoptera) from Turkey

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ABSTRACT

Eleven species of Chrysomelidae (Coleoptera) in the five subfamilies were recorded for the first time for Turkish fauna. *Salix* sp. was found as host plant of *Luperus flavipennis* Lucas.

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INTRODUCTION

Chrysomelidae is a very large family of the phytophagous Coleoptera and widely distributed worldwide, having approximately 50.000 species in over 2.000 genera (Mohr, 1966; Lopatin, 1977; Gruev & Tomov, 1984, 1986; Lopatin & Kulenova, 1986; Booth et al., 1990; Gruev, 1992; Warchalowski, 1991, 1994).

The Turkish fauna of Chrysomelidae is not well known, but the following studies are important contributions on this group of insects (Kismali, 1973, 1989; Gül-Zümreoglu, 1972; Tuatay et al., 1972; Medvedev, 1970, 1975; Kasap, 1987 a, b, 1988 a, b; Selmi, 1983; Aydin & Kismali, 1990; Gruev & Tomov, 1979; Tomov & Gruev, 1975; Gruev et al., 1994; Kismali & Sassi, 1994; Kismali et al., 1995; Aslan et al., 1996; Aslan & Özbek, 1995, 1996, 1997 a, b, 1998 a, b, c; Aslan & Warchalowski, 1998 a, b; Gruev & Aslan, 1998; Aslan, 1998; Aslan et al., 1999; Aslan & Özbek, 1999).