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# A new species record for the flora of Turkey: Barbarae bracteosa Guss.

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**Abstract**: *Barbarea bracteosa* Guss. (Brassicaceae) recently collected from İstanbul, is reported as a new record for the Flora of Turkey. It was identified using the collected specimens and Flora Europaea. The description and illustrations of the species are given and a key is presented below to the fourteen species found in Turkey.

Keywords: Barbarea, bracteosa, Brassicaceae, new record, flora, Turkey

## Türkiye florası için yeni bir kayıt: Barbarae bracteosa Guss.

Özet: İstanbul'dan yeni toplanan *Barbarea bracteosa* Guss. (Brassicaceae) örnekleri, teşhis edildikten sonra Türkiye Florası için yeni kayıt olarak rapor edilmiştir. Türkiye Florasında olmayan bu tür, Avrupa Florasına dayanılarak teşhis edilmiştir. Makale kapsamında türün tanımı, görselleri ve Türkiye Florasında bu örneklerle birlikte 14 olan *Barbarea* türlerinin tanı anahtarı verilmiştir.

Anahtar Kelimeler: Barbarea, bracteosa, Brassicaceae, yeni kayıt, flora, Türkiye

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Turkey, which has a wide geographical condition, hosted around 11707 plant taxa (Güner et al. 2012) in its nature. The floristic studies continuing reveal new species and new records from Turkey. The family Brassicaceae is known to be represented by 92 genera (Al-Shehbaz et al. 2007; Ünal and Özgökçe, 2007). The genus *Barbarea* is represented by thirteen species in Turkey (Bağcı, 2012), and only one species, *Barbarea vulgaris* W. T. Aiton grows in Istanbul. With the new record described here, the number of *Barbarea* species in Turkey is increased to fourteen. The purpose of the present paper is to submit a new record from Istanbul, Turkey.

### 2. MATERIAL AND METHODS

During a floristic field trip, the authors collected an interesting specimen of Brassicaceae on May 04, 2015, in the basin of Elmalı Dam, İstanbul (Figure / Şekil 1). In second trip to the same place on June 04, 2015 the specimen with fruit were also collected. The herbarium specimens gathered were deposited in the Herbarium (ISTO) of the Faculty of Forestry. When the herbarium specimens were examined, they were identified as *Barbarea* but some different features regarding the well-developed leafy bracts which subtend the flower were recognized (Figure / Şekil 2-3). This feature completely lack in other species of the genus native in Turkey. Therefore the specimens did not match any of the species included in the taxonomic accounts of the *Barbarea* for the flora of Turkey (Coode and Cullen, 1965; Davis et al., 1988; Yıldırımlı, 2000; Özhatay and Kültür, 2006; Özhatay et al., 2009; Özhatay et al., 2011; Özhatay et al., 2013; Savran et al., 2009). Based on this observation, the species is easily distinguished by its floral bracts, the specimens were identified as *Barbarea bracteosa* using the references (Ball, 1994; Pignatti, 1982).

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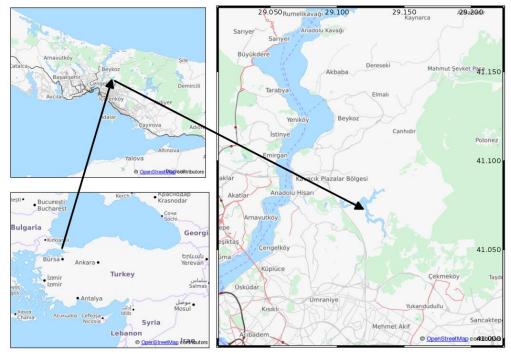


Figure 1. The area where the specimens were collected Şekil 1.Örneklerin toplandığı alan

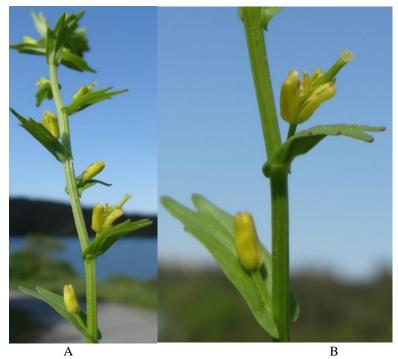


Figure 2. Flowering stems of the species with bracts (A) and a flower having a bract (B) Şekil 2.Brahte taşıyan çiçekli gövde (A) ve brahteli çiçekler (B)

#### **3.RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

New record in Turkey: A2 İstanbul, Elmalı Dam Basin, 110 m asl., within open area and road sides in the forest, ISTO numbers are 36729 and 36730.

The description of the species according to Flora Eropaea (Ball, 1994) and the specimens is as follows: *Barbarea bracteosa* Guss. Fl. Sic. Prodr. 2: 257. 1828.

Biannual or perennial, up to 50 (65) cm, glabrous. Lover leaves with 2-4 pairs of lateral lobes; upper leaves pinnatifid. Inflorescence is a bracteate raceme or at least in the lower half; petals 55 mm; pedicels are 2-4 (-6) mm in fruit. Siliquae 15-30 x 1-2 mm; valves with distinct median vein; style 1-2 mm. Flowering time is April to May in İstanbul (Figure / Şekil 2-3).



Figure 3. Stem branches with fruits Şekil 3. Meyveli gövdeler

General distribution: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, France, Greece, Italy (Sicily), Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey and Malta.

The red list category of the species is Data Deficient (DD) (Kell, 2013). It is known in many countries around Europe but currently, it is only known in one locality in Turkey. This species, which was found in the Asian side of Istanbul, may be collected especially in European part of Turkey.

Including this new record and based on the references (Coode and Cullen, 1965; Savran et al., 2009) the identification key for the native species of *Barbarea* in Turkey was revised as follows:

- 1. Flowers without bracteate

  - - 4. Petioles of basal leaves without winged
      - 5. Siliquae flattened and compressed

7. Siliquae erect-spreading

5. Siliquae terete and not compressed

9. Basal leaves at fertile stems with 0-2 (-3) pairs of lateral leaflets, siliquae strict
10. Siliquae torulose, terminal lobes of basal leaves orbicular-ovate, auricles of the lower leaves larger than lateral leaflets, upper stem leaves repant-dentate
10. Siliquae smooth, terminal lobes of basal leaves oblong-elliptic, auricles of the lower leaves smaller than lateral leaflets, upper stem leaves deeply dentate, sometimes pinnatifid.
7. B. lutea

9. Basal leaves on fertile stems with (2-) 3-10 pairs of lateral leaflets, siliquae strict or erect-spreading

11. Upper stem leaves lobed or dentate, never pinnatisect ......1. B.vulgaris

11. Upper stem leaves pinnatifid or pinnatisect

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