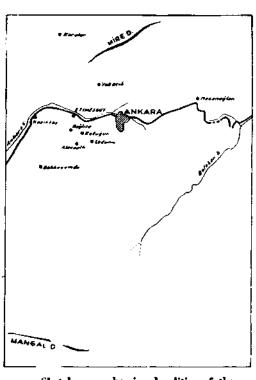
# NOTE ON THE AMMONITE — BEARING BEDS IN THE VARIOUS LOCALITIES OF TURKEY - PART ONE: ANKARA REGION

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## INTRODUCTION

While working on «The Monographic Revision of the Ammonites Fauna of Turkey» (to be published later), the author has prepared a note on the Ammonite-bearing beds of Turkey. In this note are assembled the data of the available literature on this subject with the listing of fossil names as given by the authors; the synonyms are given here only for a few well-known species. In the Monography, each of these fossils will be fully discussed and all the synonyms of the fossils will be given. In the present note, we are beginning with the beds of the Ankara region. The other localities will be the subject of the following notes.



Sketch-map, showing localities of the Aukara region

## LOCALITY: ANKARA

In this district, there are several beds known from the early works. The most important ones will be listed below.

**A - Balkuyumcu.** — In 1887, Tchihatcheff (10) studied first this Jurassic outcrop and found concave-fractured limestone. This limestone contains:

A. tortisulcatus (= Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb.)

A. ardennensis (= Peltoceratoides ardennensis D'Orb.)

A. plicatilis (= Perisphenctes plicatilis Sow.)

A. tatricus (= Phyllocefas tatricum (Pusch) ?)

Age. — Oxfordian.

**B** - Kesiktaş. — Pompeckj (7), in 1897, made a detailed study of the Jurassic of Ankara. In his book, he mentioned these fossils:

Arietites cf. rotator Reynes

A. cf. latesulcatus Quens.

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Aegoceras sp. aff. brevispinae Sow.

Phylloceras alontinum frondosum Reynes

Ph. hebertinum Reynes

His fossil locality must be wrong. Because, according to several authors, no Jurassic series were encountered in the given locality. For example Salomon-Calvi, Kleinsorge (9), Stchepinsky (1941-1942, 8) and O. Erol (5) accept that there is no Jurassic in this area.

C - Yakacık. — Milleker has collected some fossils from Yakacık, and Vadasz (13) made study of them. We are listing below these Liassic fossils:

Rhacophyllites cf. nardii Meneg.

Rh. planispira Reynes

Phylloceras persanense Herb.

Ph. oenotrium Fuc. var complanata Vadasz.

Ph. alontinum Gemm.

Ph. cf. cylindricum Sow.

Lytoceras cf. sepositum Meneg.

Arietites (Vermiceras) cf. ophioides D'Orb.

A. (Vermiceras) cf. spiratissimus Quens.

A. tardesulcata Wahn.

Oxynoticeras lynx D'Orb. sp. var.?

Coeloceras sp.

Atractites sp.

In 1942, Blumenthal (1) has studied the geology in the vicinity of the Yakacık and Köserelik villages, and described the Liassic formation of this area as a flysch. He gives other fossil localities near Yakacık — for example, Boklukaya and Köserelik. According to him, overlying the Liassic there is a limestone series that contains abundant Aptychus and a few Perisphenctes.

In his later publication Blumenthal (2, 1945), while describing the geology of the Ankara district, makes a comparison between Yakacık and Amasya regions and concludes that both areas have the same sequence.

G. Otkun determined the fossils collected from Yakacık:

Perisphenctes birmensdorfensis Moesch.

P. cf. aenas Gemm.

Lithacoceras virgulatum Quens.

L. lucingense Favre

Calliphylloceras mediterraneum Neum.

Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb.

Age- - Oxfordian-Argovian.

Ghaput (4) made a detailed study of the Ankara region. A few hundred meters NW of the Yakacık village, in a small valley, there are marls and sandstones

dipping northeast with an angle of 20°, and higher up on the hill, underlying these sandstones, there are strongly folded, red-coloured limestones. The fossils of Vadasz were collected from these beds. In the south of this valley, the geology is more complicated and the limestone with chert nodules is enclosed within the Liassic series, but this limestone is younger than Liassic. There are few fossils in the limestone with chert nodules. Chaput found in this limestone one Perisphenctes of the orion group. In the northern part of Yakacık, he found a limestone series that is similar to the limestone of the western part. In this limestone, there is a Liassic fauna that is represented by numerous Phylloceras and Atractites. Overlying the sandstones there is pink or yellowish-coloured limestone. This limestone contains *Cadomites linguiferus* D'Orb. and its age is Bajocian.

Another detailed geological study of the Ankara region is made by O. Erol (5). According to him, the Liassic formation of the Ankara region is a flysch, composed of red-coloured sandstone, limestone and marl. This flysch is much fossiliferous. Above this flysch come Middle and Upper Jurassic, nodular, thick-bedded, white-coloured oolitic limestone (mostly Dogger) or yellowish pink-coloured, laminated, lithographic limestone and marl. The last strata contain Radiolaria and Aptychus and are Malm-Middle Cretaceous in age. These strata are transgressif. The fossils collected by O. Erol from this region were examined by the author and determined as follows:

In the sample from Çal Tepe, SW of Yakacık:

Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb. — Oxfordian

In the sample from Karabayırdere, 5 km. SW of Yakacık, in the red-coloured nodular limestone :

Oppelia sp. — Bajocian - Lower Oxfordian Phylloceras cf. zignodianum — Oxf. - Argovian Perisphenctes sp.

In 1952, the author (11) had the opportunity to visit this locality and to collect some more specimens:

Liassic of Yakacık is represented by these fossils:

Phricodoceras taylori (Sow.)
Phylloceras nilssoni (Heb.)
Ph. aff. tenuistratum Meneg.
Microderoceras lorioli Hug.
M. plumarius Dumort,
Echioceras aff. recticostatum Tr. Will.
? Echioceras boehmi Hug.
Coeloceras pettos Quens.
Coroniceras latisulcatum Quens.
Rh'acophyllites sp.gr. diopsis Gemm.
Phylloceras persannense Herbich.
Ph. capitanei (Gatullo)
Arietites sp.
Uptonia sp.

We collected these fossils in the Middle and Upper Jurassic strata of Yakacık:

Perisphenctes aff. subtilis Neum.

P. sp. gr. biplex Sow.

P. gr. schilli Oppel

P. aff. birmendorfensis Rossch.

P. lusingensis? Favre

Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb.

Berriasella? - Titon - Berriasian

In the Yakacık, all the Jurassic strata are represented. Near the village, the Jurassic shows great tectonic complication.

- **D Köserelik.** Chaput and Blumenthal studied the geology of Bağlum-Köserelik region.
- O. Erol (5), in 1954, described the Liassic of Köserelik and stated that the Liassic begins with the basal conglomerate (containing granitic pebbles); continues with white coloured coarse-grained sandstone; and on the upper part of the section there is red, blue coloured fossiliferous marls and green, brown coloured flysch with an intercalation of marls, sandstones and sometimes limestones.

We collected and examined these fossils from Köserelik:

Phylloceras bonarelli Bettoni

Ph. hebertinum Revnes

Ph. capitanei (Catullo)

Ph. persannense Herb.

Ph. sp. gr. frondosum Reynes

Ph. emeryi Bettoni

Hammatoceras sp. indet.

Rhacophyllites cf. limatum Roserb.

Lytoceras aff. fimbriatum Sow.

L. sp. (aff. velifer Meneg.)

L. cornucopiac Young-Bird

Grammoceras (Protogrammoceras) sp.

Arieticeras (Sequenziceras) sp.

Arietites cf. rotator Reynes

A. latesulcatus Quens.

Coeloceras sp.

C. cf. limatum Pompeckj

C. depressum Rosenberg

Oistoceras cf. figulinum Simpson

Acrocoelites ??

Rhabdobelus exilis D'Orb.

These fossils show that, in the Köserelik, especially Middle Liassic is developed.

**E - Etimesgut.** — Late micropaleontologist S. Başad worked in this region and her Ammonite collection was examined by the author:

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Phylloceras sp. gr. zignodianum D'Orb.
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Ph. sp. gr. heterophyllum Neum.

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Cosmoceras sp. gr. ornatum Schl. — Callovian
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Reinechites sp.

Lissoceras cf. eroto D'Orb.

Euaspidoceras sp.

Dichotomosphinctes sp.

D. aff. buchmani Arkell

D. cf. elisabethae De Riaz

Aspidoceras sp. faff, douvillei Gollot)

A. cf. hypselum Oppel

Sowerbyceras aff. tortisulcatum D'Orb.

Perisphenctes cf. schilli Oppel

P. sp. gr. navillei ? Favre

Alligaticeras sp.

Germanosphinctes sp.

Dichotomosphinctes cf. wartae Buk.

Biplices sp

Divisosphinctes sp.

Ataxioceras sp. gr. lothari Oppel

Oecheteceras cf. canaliculatum Buch

Taramelliceras sp. gr. flexuosa Münster

Planites poligratus Rein or Planites planulatus Haan.

Katroliceras? gr. crusoliensis or gr. lacertosus Fontanne

The above-listed fossils represent Upper Jurassic (Argovian-Kimmeridgian).

In the same locality there are Ammonites representing Lower Cretaceous. These are :

Subalpinites sp.

Berriasella aff. paramecilanta Mazenot

Phylloceras sp. gr. serum

Holcostephanus sp.

Berriasella sp. gr. boissieri (Pictet)

Duvalia sp.

In 1945, Mesut Özuygur collected some Ammonites in the Etimesgut region and gave his collection to G. Otkun for examination. The determination report of G. Otkun is in the Archives of the M. T. A. Institute (unpublished report No. 48/1945). By this report we know some other Ammonite - bearing localities around Etimesgut. The few data given below were taken from this report:

#### a. Ludumu:

Lissoceras sp.

Lytoceras ophineum Beneck. — Dogger

Phylloceras zignodianum D'Orb. — Callovian

Ph. sp.

Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb. — Argovian

Perisphenctes birmendorfensis Moesch. — »

P. stenocycloides Siem. — Argovian

O. Erol collected from the same beds some more specimens which were determined by the author :

Phylloceras cf. zignodianum D'Orb.

Perisphenctes convolutus Quens.

Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb.

Age. - Oxfordian.

## b. Kutugun:

*Lissoceras* — Bajocian - Oxfordian

Phylloceras cf. mediterraneum Neum. - Oxf.

Ph. hatzegi Loczy — Gallovian

Ph. perplanum Prinz - Dogger

Ph. kudernatchi Hauer - Argovian

Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb. - Argovian

Perisphenctes tiziani Oppel - Argovian

P. aeneas Gemm. var. nov. — Argovian

P. consociatus Buck. — Oxf.

Neumayriceras trachynotum Opp. - Argovian

N. calicerum Oppel — Argovian

Aspidoceras cf. clavatum Dorn.

A. douvillei Collot - Oxfordian

A. hypselum Oppel var. nov. - Argovian

A. aequicostatum — Oxfordian

The fossils cited above were determined by G. Otkun (Report No. 48/2, 1945).

O. Erol found one Ammonite, some 500 m. west of Kutugun, near an old mill :

Perisphenctes bifurcatus Quens.

Age. - Lower Malm.

c. Alacaatlı: The fossils listed below were taken from the report of G. Otkun (Rep. No. 48/2, 1945):

Lytoceras racile Vacek - Dogger

L. ophineum Beneck

Phylloceras emeryi Bettoni - Liassic

Ph. mediterraneum Neum. - Oxfordian

Ph. zignodianum D'Orb.

Ph. kudernatchi Hauer

Ph. euphylloides Till. var. A — Callovian

Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb. - Argovian

Perisphenctes lucingensis Favre — Argovian

P. latilinguatus Noetling — Argovian

P. cf. consociatus Bukowski - Oxfordian

Aspidoceras douvillei Collot - Oxfordian

Aptychus sp.

d. Bağlıca: The Ammonites determined by G. Otkun in his report (Rep. No. 48/2,1945) are as follows:

Oppelia sp. ?
Emileia cf. brochii Sow. - Bajocian
Proplanulites sp. — Bathonian
Hammatoceras sp. — Bajocian
Lytoceras sp.
Aptychus sp.

e. Dr. J. Sornay (Rep. No. 955/24) determined these fossils from the Etimesgut collection of S. Başad :

Phylloceras sp. gr. capitanei Catullo Dumorlieria sp. Grammoceras (Pleydellia) cf.fiuitans Dumortier

Age. — Aalenian.

**F. Hasanoğlan.** — In 1953, paleontologist U. Bilgutay (3) has studied the geology of this region. She collected some Ammonites and these fossils were examined by the author. According to Bilgutay, the Jurassic of this region has the character of a flysch beginning with a basal conglomerate. We determined in this collection:

Lytoceras cornucopiae Vacek (gr. L. tacile? Vacek) Arnioceras sp. Phylloceras nilssom Hebert Atractites cf. ortoceropsis. Meneg. Arietites sp.

Age. — Liassic.

**G. Karalar.** — In 1952, the author (12) has collected and examined some Lower Cretaceous Ammonites from this locality. This is interesting, because it is the first Lower Cretaceous Ammonite-bearing bed encountered in the Ankara region. We determined in this collection:

Uhligella walleranti Jacob

Desmoceradiae (one specimen of this family)

Phylloceras sp.

Age. - Albian.

**H.** Uzundede. — O. Erol (5), collected some fossils from this locality, which were determined by the author as follows:

Perisphenctes cf. aeneas Gemm. Sowerbyceras tortisulcatum D'Orb. Phylloceras zignodianum D'Orb.

Age. - Oxfordian.

I. Mire dağı-Kaptı boğazı. — O. Erol (5). found one Ammonite from this locality. We determined this fossil as:

Phylloceras aff. hatzegi Loczy

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Age. — Callovian.

**J. Mangal dağı.** — O. Erol (5) collected some fossils from the central part of the Mangal dağı anticline, in the sandy beds. We determined these Ammonites as:

Pachidiscus cf. gollevillensis D'Orb.

Age. – Maestrichtian.

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