

# Contribution to the study on the Turkish Pentatomoidea (Heteroptera)

## IV. Family: Acanthosomatidae Stal 1864

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### Summary

This paper is a continuation of the authors' previous works (see Lodos and Önder, 1978a; Lodos ve Önder, 1978b, 1979) which devoted only the family of Acanthosomatidae. As it was stated before, all the materials are collected by us in the different parts of Turkey and deposited in the Department of Entomology and Agricultural Zoology, University of Ege, Izmir.

Authors' main aim is to give informations about this family, its genera and species to the Turkish students and colleagues. For this purpose, informations are given about morphology, biology, distribution, host plants, keys and taxonomic notes.

In this work, a total of 6 species belong to 4 genera are treated namely *Cyphostethus tristriatus* (F.), *Acanthosoma haemorrhoidale* (L.), *Elasmucha grisea* (L.), *E. antennata* Reut., *E. eckerleini cypria* Jos., *Elasmostethus interstinctus* (L.) of which the last two species are new records for Turkey. The distribution of these species are shown in Fig.3.

### Introduction

No comprehensive study on the Turkish fauna of Acanthosomatidae has ever been published in this country. Only Önder and Lodos (1978) gives some general informations on this family; Seidenstücker (1957), Stichel (1961, 1962) and Lodos et al. (1978) list some species in their works.

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The family name, Acanthosomatidae, which derived from the Latin terms, "akantha=spine" and "soma=body" means "spined body" (Önder ve Lodos, 1978).

Some authors, i.e. Miller (1956), China and Miller (1959), Stichel (1960,1961,1962) and Slater and Baranowski (1978) are considered this group as a subfamily level. Leston (1953) elevated it to the family rank. However, Kumar (1974) in his generic revisional work, again treated this group as a family rank of which we also agree and followed in this work.

Family : Acanthosomatidae

Synonym : Acanthosomidae Stal 1865

Acanthomiens Mulsant et Rey 1866

Species of oval-suboblong, anteriorly angulate. Teguments glabrous and shining, punctured strongly. Head elongate and declivent moderately; the apex of tylus free; bucculae somewhat salient; rostrum moderately thick and usually extending to the hind coxae; antennae moderate with 5 segmented, antenniferous tubercle projecting, first antennal segment usually distinctly extending beyond the apex of head, or sometimes not reaching to the apex of head. Pronotum hexagonal, anteriorly oblique; lateral angles more or less projecting. Scutellum relatively short, its apex usually angulate. Mesosternum with a prominent central longitudinal carina or keel which extending towards head between coxae. Abdomen with a median carina and 2nd abdominal spiracles invisible; paired trichobotria on sterna 3-7th, 3rd abdominal segment spinously produced mid-ventrally; 8th abdominal segment of male well developed, not ring like; 6-7th abdominal segment of female usually with the Pendergrast's organs. Legs moderate without spines; tarsi two segmented.

Acanthosomatid eggs are laid in batches in the various number and somewhat narrowed at the cephalic pole. This is also marked by a ring of small micropylar process. They have no pseudoperculum and egg-burster. As the chorion is thin and there is no true lid at hatching it splits vertically in a characteristic fashion. Southwood (1956) states that *Elasmucha grisea* (L.) has exceptionnaly a weak sclerotized egg- burster.

The females of acantosomatids, except *Cyphostethus tristriatus* (F.) sit over the eggs and also over the first instar larvae. The young larvae remain together until the second instar.

Majority species are phytophagous. They feed on the fruits of deciduous and forest trees. Some species feeding on carrion. Cannibalism has also been known to occur.

Species are widely distributed and have been recorded from Africa, India, Java, the Philippine Is., Australia, parts of the Palearctic Region and from Mexico (Miller, 1956).

According to Kumar (1974) and Kerzhner (1964 a) this family covers 56 valid genera and more than 200 species in the world, respectively. At the moment 4 genera and 6 species of this family representing in Turkey.

The key to the genera of Acanthosomatidae

1. First antennal segment distinctly extending beyond the apex of head ..... 2
- First antennal segment not extending beyond the apex of head.....
- ..... **Cyphostethus**
2. Mesosternal carina somewhat extending beyond the basal margin of prosternum but, not extending backwards between mid coxae .....
- ..... **Acanthosoma**
- Mesosternal carina not extending beyond the basal margin of prosternum but, extending backwards between mid coxae, sometimes reaching hind coxae .....
- ..... 3
3. Connexivum unicolored ..... **Elasmostethus**
- Connexivum maculated with black ..... **Elasmucha**

**Genus Cyphostethus Fieber**

Fieber, 1860, p.78. Type-species **Cimex tristriatus**

Fabricius, 1787, p. 293, by monotypy.

Species of medium sized, oval-elongate. Very close to the **Elasmuchā** Fieb. with generical characters. But, it can be easily distinguish by the first antennal segment which not extending beyond the apex of head and light colored punctures on the surface of the body. Other characteristics somewhat similar to **Elasmucha** Fieb.

Very small genus, having only three species, one of which occurs in Turkey.

**Taxonomic note:** Kumar (1974) in his work synonymized *Cyphostethus* Fieb. to *Elasmostethus* Fieb.. But we examined the specimens of both taxa carefully. The following characteristics which tabulated below are sufficient to qualify them as separate genera.

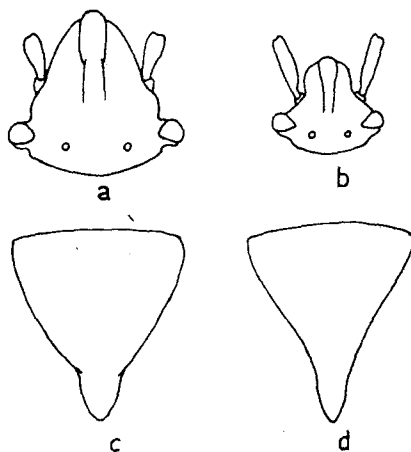


Fig. 1. Some generic characteristics of *Cyphostethus* Fieb. (a,c) and *Elasmostethus* Fieb. (b,d).

Genera	1st antennal segment	Characteristics		
		Lh/wh*	Lh/Fh*	Ls/ws*
<i>Cyphostethus</i> Fieb.	not extending the apex of the head (Fig. 1 a).	0.93	1.45	1.28
<i>Elasmostethus</i> Fieb.	distinctly extending beyond the apex of the head (Fig.1 b).	0.72	1.72	1.60

\* Lh: Total length of head (Fig.1 a,b); Wh: Width of head (Fig.1 a,b); Fh: Length of the head in front of eyes (Fig.1 a,b); Ls: Length of the tip of scutellum (Fig.1 c,d); Ws: Width of the tip of scutellum (Fig.1 c,d).

Beside the above characteristics, general shape of male pygophore is distinctly different in both genera. However, Kumar (l.c.) could not examine the male specimens of *C.tristriatus* F., Therefore, the genus of *Cyphostethus* Fieb. is treated here as a valid one.

***Cyphostethus tristriatus* (Fabricius) (Fig.2)**

Fabricius, 1787, Mant. Ins., 2, p.293.

Synonym: *Cimex lituratus* Pnz. 1797 non F.

***Acanthosoma pictus* Curt. 1824**

***A.clypeatus* Burm. 1835**

***A.pictipennis* Curt. 1852**

Species of oval-elongate, anteriorly angulate and medium sized. General color light greenish yellow, clavus, mesocorium and some part of lateral margins of pronotum reddish. Surface of the body punctured with the same color. Head elongate, lateral margins slightly sinuated in front of eyes, apex somewhat rounded; tylus dilated at its apex and extending somewhat beyond of juga; antennae yellowish or reddish yellow, last two segments darker; first segment not reaching to the apex of head; second segment somewhat longer than third; rostrum long, usually extending to the apical margin of second ventral segment. Pronotum strongly punctured; lateral margins somewhat sinuate; lateral angles somewhat rounded, not distinctly projecting. Scutellum elongate, its apex pointed and pale in color. Membranal suture somewhat curvilinear; membrane hyaline and one brownish spot below the centre of its posterior margin. Tergum black. Connexivum yellowish. Mesosternal carina not reaching to the base of prosternum or sometimes hardly reaching. Legs yellowish green or sometimes reddish. Venter yellowish or yellowish green and punctured with

the same color; with a longitudinal carina on the middle; spinous process of third abdominal segment reaching the middle coxae.

Length: ♂: 10,1 mm., ♀: 10,8 mm.

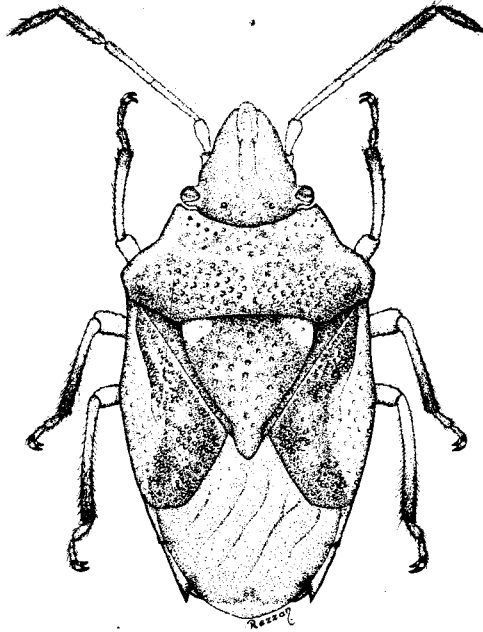


Fig. 2. *Cyphostethus tristriatus*

### Distribution

**In the world:** Species of European element, recorded from Sweden, Norway, West and South Russia, Poland, Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, England, Portugal, Spain, France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Albanien, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, Turkey (Jensen-Haarup, 1912; Oshanin, 1912; Kiritschenko, 1951; Seidenstücker, 1957; Eva, 1959; Southwood and Leston, 1959; Stichel, 1961, 1962; Perrier, 1963; Kerzhner, 1964a; Wagner, 1966; Servadei, 1967; Lodos et al., 1978).

**in Turkey:** This species was previously listed from Niğde (Ulukışla: Çiftahan) (Seidenstücker, 1957) and Izmir (Gümüştü) (Lodos et al., 1978). In this study, it has been collected from Izmir (Gümüştü), 9.4.1973, on *Cupressus sempervirens*, 1 ♂, 1 ♀, Izmir (Bornova), 29.7.1977, on *Platanus orientalis*, 1 ♀, Kütahya, 2.5.1973, on *Pinus* sp. 1 ♂. The distribution of this species is shown in Fig 3.

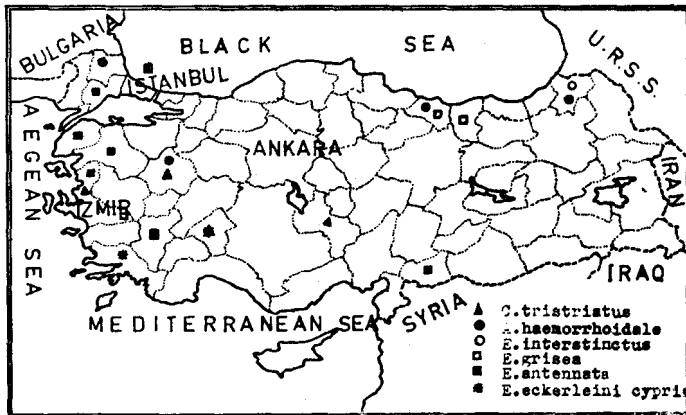


Fig. 3. The distribution of the acanthosomatid species

### Host plants

*Juniperus communis*, *J. excelsa*, *Cupressus sempervirens*, *Pinus silvestris*, *Abies alba*, *Cryptomeria* sp., *Sarothamnus scoparius*, *Mespilus germanica*, *Populus* spp. (Seidenstücker, 1957; Southwood and Leston, 1959 Stichel, 1961; Perrier, 1963; Kerzhner, 1964a; Lodos et al., 1978).

In this study, *Platanus orientalis* has been found as a new host for this species.

### Genus *Acanthosoma* Curtis

Curtis, 1824, p.24. Type-species *Cimex haemorrhoidalis* Linnaeus, 1758, p.444, by monotypy.

Synonym: *Sastragala* A.-S.1843; *Anaxandra* Stal 1876

Species of oval-elongate, somewhat convex, anteriorly angulate. Surface glabrous, shining; irregularly and distinctly punctured. Head elongate; tylus dilated at its apex; eyes distinct; first antennal segment somewhat

curved and extending distinctly beyond the apex of head, first and second antennal segments subequal; bucculae somewhat distinct; rostrum usually reaching to the hind coxae. Pronotum somewhat hexagonal; lateral angles distinctly projecting. Scutellum relatively short, its apex somewhat pointed. Membranal suture rectilinear or subrectilinear. Mesosternum with a distinct centrale longitudinal carina which extending forwards far beyond anterior coxae. Third ventral segment providing a spinous process which extending to the middle coxae. Abdomen with a distinct median carina. Legs moderate.

Number of species occurring in Australian, Oriental and Palearctic regions of which only one species occurs in Turkey.

**Acanthosoma haemorrhoidale** (Linnaeus) (Fig.4)

Linnaeus, 1758. Syst.Nat.,ed.X,p.444:24.

Synonym: **Cimex bidens** Sulzer 1761, non L.

**C.pabulinum** Harr. 1781

**C.sanguineotuberculatum** Goeze 1778

**C.pungens** Geoffr. 1785

**C.carunculatum** Gmel. 1789

**C.retusum** Thunb. 1822

General color bright reddish yellow, more or less with green the posterior half of pronotum, scutellum and exocorium; surface distinctly punctured with black. Head elongate, reddish yellow in color; lateral margins somewhat sinuate in front of eyes; tylus distinctly dilated at its apex, with a median sulcus on the apical part; juga somewhat shorter than tylus; antennae black, first segment yellow or yellowish green, sometimes the base of second, third, fourth and fifth segments narrowly yellowish green or reddish; about half of the first antennal segment extending beyond apex of head; second segment distinctly longer than third; rostrum extending to the hind coxae. Lateral margins of pronotum concave; lateral angles distinctly projecting, their apices somewhat rounded; cicatrices distinct and usually reddish in color. Scutellum triangular, somewhat short, its apex pointed. Corium densely and regularly punctured with black; membranal suture rectilinear; membrane yellowish brown or yellowish green. Tergum and connexivum yellowish green, distally red. Centrale longitudinale carina of mesosternum extending beyond the basal margin of pro-



sternum, spinous process of third ventral segment reaching almost to fore coxae. Legs light green. Venter yellow-green or yellow-brown, without puncturations; with a longitudinal carina of the middle of abdomen.

Length: 15-17 mm.

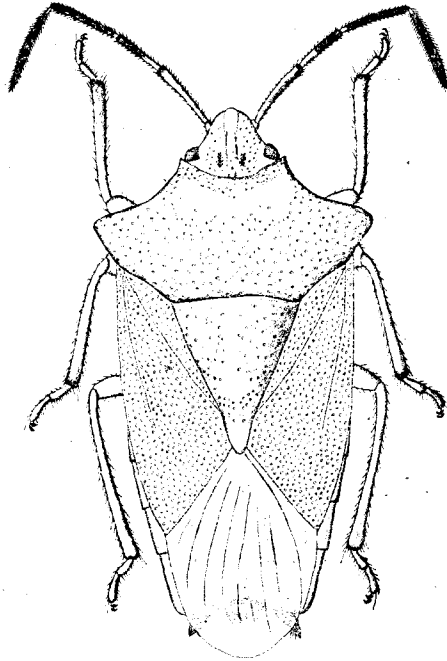


Fig. 4. *Acanthosoma haemorrhoidale*

#### Distribution

**In the world:** Species of Euro - Siberian element. Recorded from Sweeden, Norway, Finland, West and South Russia, Poland, Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, England, Ireland, France, Switzerland, Austria, Hungary, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Yugoslavia, Albania, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, Iran, Siberia, China, Korea and Japan (Lambertie, 1910; Jensen-Haarup, 1912; Oshanin, 1912; Ayres et al., 1926; Vidal, 1949; Kiritschenko, 1951; Otten, 1956; Eva, 1959; Southwood and Leston, 1959; Stichel 1961, 1962; Perrier, 1963; Kerzhner, 1964 a; Mayne, 1965; Wagner, 1966; Servadei, 1967; Lodos et al., 1978)

in Turkey: It was previously recorded from Turkey only in Kırklareli (Pınarhisar) which collected on *Quercus* sp. (Lodos et al., 1978). The distribution, host plants, collecting dates and numbers of *A. haemorrhoidale* is tabulated as follows:

Collecting place	Date	Host plant	Number of specimens	
			♂	♀
Artvin-Hopa	30.8.1971	<i>Corylus avellana</i>	—	1
Artvin-Borçka	22.8.1973	<i>Alnus</i> sp.	—	1
Kütahya	19.7.1962	<i>Pirus communis</i>	1	—
Ordu	23.7.1965	<i>C.avellana</i>	—	1

As one can easily understand from the above informations, this species distributes widely in Turkey and it is possible that it might be found in most part of Turkey especially in the deciduous forest zone (See also Fig.3).

#### Host plants

*Corylus avellana*, *Betula verrucosa*, *B.alba*, *Carpinus betulus*, *Fagus silvatica*, *Acer campestre*, *Quercus robur*, *Rubus saxatilis*, *Vaccinium vitis-idea*, *Potentilla alba*, *Melittis melissophyllum*, *Populus nigra*, *P.tremula*, *Arbutus unedo*, *Lilium martagon*, *Rosa* spp., *Crataegus oxyacantha*, *Pirus aucuparia*, *P.communis*, *Prunus padus*, *Spiraea* spp., *Cornus sanguinea*, *Sambucus* spp., *Viburnum opulus*, *Tilia europea*, *T.parvifolia*, *Sorbus* spp., *Juniperus communis*, *Picea excelsa* and *Pinus silvestris* (Ayres et al., 1926; Otten, 1956; Eva, 1959; Southwood and Leston, 1959; Stichel, 1961; Perrier 1963; Kerzhner, 1964a; Mayne, 1965).

Otten (1956) states that this species feeds on the fruits of its host-plants and damages on the pears in Norway.

#### Genus *Elasmotherus* Fieber

Fieber, 1860, p.78. Type-species *Cimex interstinctus* Linnaeus, 1758, p.445 (= *Cimex dentatus* De Geer, 1773, p.260), by monotypy.

Synonym: *Oxydalis* M.-R. 1866

*Stictocarenum* Stal 1871

*Dicholothrium* Bred. 1903

*Ditaenius* Bergroth 1912

Species of oval-elongate, somewhat convex. Head somewhat elongate; first antennal segment distinctly extending the apex of head; maxillary tubercle absent, rarely just indicated. Pronotal angles slightly produced and rounded. Wings extending or not beyond posterior end of abdomen. Rostrum extending from about middle of hind coxae to posterior end of 3rd abdominal sternum; bucculae not united posteriorly. Prosternum with a deep median groove; mesosternal carina extending forward to fore coxae and at times to prosternum and head, extending backward between mid coxae, reaching at times between hind coxae. Legs moderate.

Species of this genus occurs in Palearctic, Oriental and Australian regions, extending to the Nearctic region as well.

***Elasmotethus interstinctus* (Linnaeus) (Fig.5)**

Linnaeus, 1758, Syst.Nat.,ed.X,p.445:33.

Synonym: ***Cimex dentatus* De G. 1773**

***C.haemotogaster* Schrk. 1781**

***Cimex bidens* Gmel.1788**

***C.arboreus* Gmel. 1788**

***C.collaris* F. 1803**

***Pentatoma stolli* Le Pel.Serv. 1825**

***Cimex lituratus* Zett. 1840**

General color brownish green, reddish green or yellowish green with black puncture. Lateral margins of head distinctly sinuate in front of eyes; apex of tylus dilated; tylus longer than juga. Antennae yellowish brown last two segments blackish brown; rostrum yellowish and extending somewhat beyond to the middle coxae. Lateral margin of pronotum straight lateral angles somewhat projecting and blackish; posterior margin of pronotum reddish. Scutellum reddish with yellow margins and apex. Clavus and some parts of corium reddish; exocorium yellowish; connexium yellow; abdominal tergum red; membrane hyaline with brown macula on the lateral sides. Venter and legs yellowish; apex of tibiae and tarsi brownish.

Length: ♂: 9,9mm, ♀: 11.7mm.

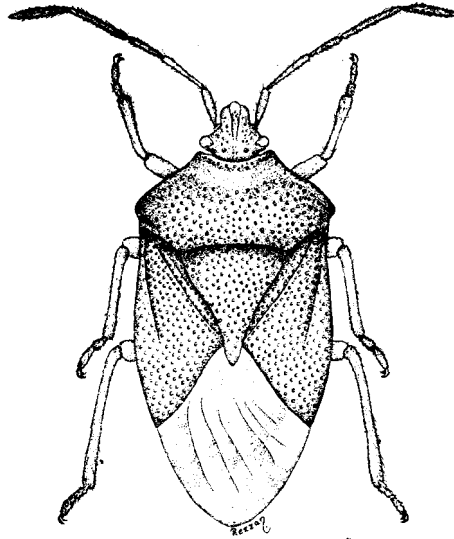


Fig. 5. *Elasmostethus interstinctus*

### Distribution

**In the world:** Species of Euro - Siberian element, recorded from Sweden, Norway, Finland, West and South Russia, Poland, Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Scotland, Ireland, England, Portugal, France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Kamchatka, China, Japan (Lambertie, 1910; Oshanin, 1912; Jensen-Haarup, 1912; Ayres et al., 1926; Vidal, 1949; Kiritschenko, 1951; Eva, 1959; Southwood and Leston, 1959; Stichel, 1961, 1962; Perrier, 1963; Kerzhner, 1964a; Wagner, 1966; Servadei, 1967).

**in Turkey:** This species constitutes a new record for Turkey. It has been collected from Artvin (Borçka-Göktaş), on 12.9.1971, on *Vaccinium* sp., 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀ and 13 nymphs; and also from Artvin (Karçkar Mountain) on 22.8.1973, on *Populus* sp., 3 ♂♂, (See also Fig.3).

### Host plants

*Betula alba*, *Corylus avellana*, *Carpinus betulus*, *Alnus viridis*, *Fagus silvatica*, *Quercus pedunculata*, *Salix repens*, *Populus tremula*, *Tilia* spp.,

**Crataegus spp., Fraxinus excelsior, Hedera helix, Cornus sanguina, Lonicera xylosteum, Ledum palustre, Picea excelsa, Juniperus communis** (Lambertie, 1910; Ayres et al., 1926; Southwood and Leston, 1959; Stichel 1961; Perrier, 1963; Kerzhner, 1964a).

By this study, in addition to these host-plants there have been found **Vaccinium sp.** as its host-plant.

Genus **Elasmucha** Stal

Stal, 1864.p.54. Type-species **Cimex ferrugatus** Fabricius, 1787, p.382, fixation by Kirkaldy, 1909, p. 175.

Synonym: **Clinocoris** Hahn 1834

**Sastragala** Fieb. 1860, non A.-S.

**Meadorus** M.-R. 1866

**Pseudostollia** Bred. 1901

**Galasastra** Bred. 1903

Generically allied to **Ela-mostethus** Fieb. but can be easily distinguish with maculate connexivum. Species of medium sized. Head somewhat projecting. Scutellum somewhat short, its apex pointed. Mesosternal carina extending towards beyond the base of prosternum. Spinous process of third abdominal segment extending to the middle coxae. Medial carina of abdomen distinct. Legs moderate.

Number species occuring in Palearctic, Oriental and Australian regions of which only three species of this genus representing in Turkey.

Key to the species of **Elasmucha**

- 1. Tylus shorter than genae (Fig.6a) ..... **E.eckerleini cypria** Jos.
- Tylus not shorter than genae (Fig.6b) ..... 2
- 2. Scutellum with a distinct basal blackish macula; rostrum reaching at best to the hind coxae ..... **E.grisea** (L.)
- Scutellum without blackish basal macula; rostrum extending beyond hind coxae ..... **E.antennata** (Reut.)

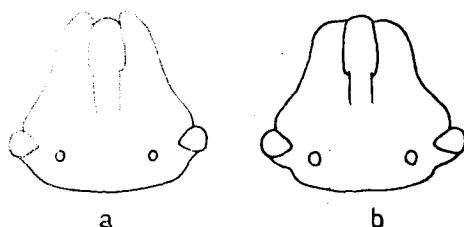


Fig. 6. Some morphological characters of *Elasmuscha* spp.

***Elasmuscha grisea* (Linnaeus) (Fig.7)**  
 Linnaeus, 1758. Syst.Nat.,ed.X,p.445:32.

Synonym: *Cimex betulae* De G. 1773

*C.alni* Ström 1783

*C.agathina* F. 1794

*Acanthosoma interstinctum* Klt.1846 non L.

*Elasmostethus fieberi* Jak. 1864

*E.jakovlevi* Kir.1911 (Kerzhner, 1964b)

General color shining light gray-brown, reddish yellow or reddish brown, usually lateral angles of pronotum and membranal suture reddish. Surface of the body distinctly and sparsely punctured with black. Lateral margins of head somewhat sinuate in front of eyes; apex of tylus dilated; juga as long as or somewhat shorter than tylus; eyes distinct; antennae pale, last segment black or sometimes only its apex black; rostrum yellowish and extending somewhat beyond to the middle coxae. Lateral margins of pronotum rectilinear or subsinuate; lateral angles angulate and somewhat projecting; basal margin against scutellum somewhat concave. Scutellum with black macula on the base and its distal part whitish yellow, Corium somewhat less strongly punctured than scutellum and pronotum, membrane hyaline. Tergum black. Connexivum yellowish red, apex and base of each connexival segment spotted narrowly with black. Venter and legs yellowish; tarsi brown.

Length: 7-9 mm.

#### Distribution

**In the world:** Species of Euro-Siberian element. Recorded from Sweden, Norway, Finland, West and South Russia, Poland, Denmark, Germany Netherlands, England, Ireland, France, Switzerland, Austria, Czechoslo-

vakia, Hungary, Albania, Greece, Bulgaria, Turkey and Siberia (Lambertie 1910; Jensen-Haarup, 1912; Oshlanin, 1912; Vidal, 1949; Kiritschenko, 1951; Eva, 1959; Stichel, 1961, 1962; Perrier, 1963; Kerzhner, 1964a,b; Wagner, 1966; Servadei, 1967; Josifov, 1971; Lodos et al., 1978).

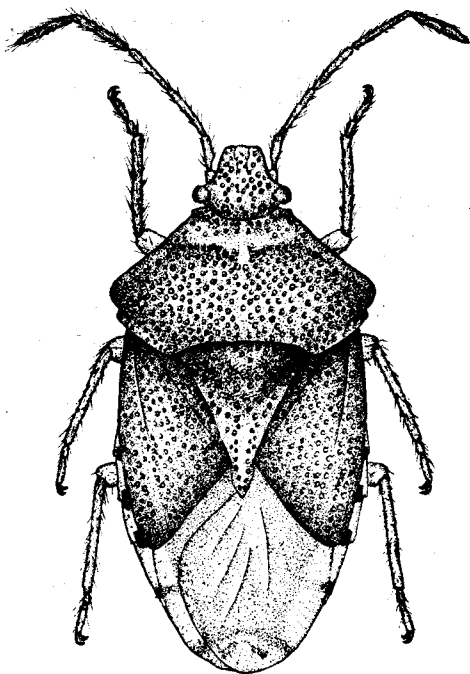


Fig. 7. *Elasmucha grisea*

**in Turkey:** This species has been recorded in the different areas by Lodos et al. (1978).

The distribution, host plants, collecting dates and numbers of *E.grisea* is tabulated as follows:

Collecting place	Date	Host plant	Number of specimen	
			♀	♂
Giresun-Şebinkarahisar	12.7.1978	<i>Planatus orientalis</i>	—	2
İzmir*	5.7.1961	<i>P.orientalis</i>	—	1
Ordu	7.8.1965	<i>Corylus avellana</i>	1	—
Ordu-Ünye	4.5.1973	<i>C.avellana</i>	—	2
Ordu-Ünye	26.7.1975	<i>C.avellana</i>	—	2
Ordu-Perşembe	8.6.1973	<i>Morus alba</i>	1	—

\*) The data on the label is not certain

### Host plants

*Betula verrucosa*, *B. pubescens*, *Corylus avellana*, *Carpinus betulus*, *Alnus incana*, *A. glutinosa*, *Fagus silvatica*, *Quercus pedunculata*, *Populus alba*, *P. tremula*, *Salix* spp., *Tilia* spp., *Crateagus* spp., *Acer platanoides*, *Platanus orientalis*, *Urtica* spp., *Stachys silvatica*, *Abies alba*, *Picea excelsa*, *Pinus silvestris*, *Larix decidua* and *Juniperus communis* (Lambertie, 1910, Eva, 1959; Stichel, 1961; Perrier, 1963; Kerzhner, 1964a; Lodos et al., 1978).

In this study it has found a new host plant namely *Morus alba*.

### *Elasmucha antennata* Reuter (Fig.8)

Reuter, 1885. Ent.m.Mag. v. 22, p.37.

Very close to precedent species in outline. General color uniformly yellow brown, yellow greenish or reddish brown. Surface of the body sparsely punctured with black. Head somewhat elongate, lateral margins slightly sinuate; antennae pale, last segment black or only its apical part blackish. Scutellum unicolorous, without macula on its base and apex. Connexivum with black spot on the apical margin. Venter and legs light yellowish, without marking.

Length: 8.5-9.5 mm.

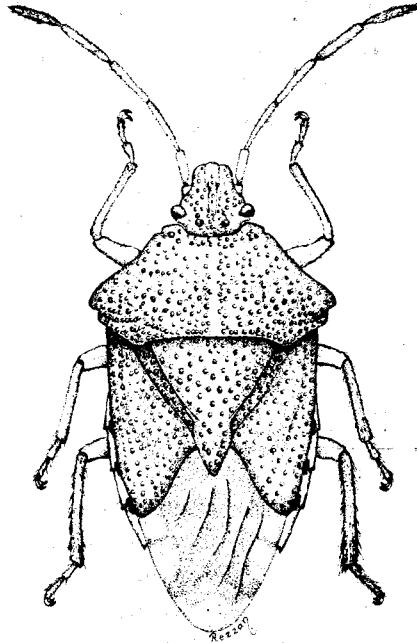


Fig. 8. *Elasmucha antennata*



## Distribution

**In the world:** Species of Pontomediterranean element, recorded up to now only from Greece, Turkey, Aegean Islands and Cyprus (Puton et Noualhier, 1895; Oshanin, 1912; Lindberg, 1948; Hoberlandt, 1955; Stichel, 1961, 1962; Josifov, 1971; Dethier, 1976; Georghiou, 1977; Lodos et al., 1978)

**in Turkey:** It has been recorded up till now from Gaziantep (Eskbez) (Puton et Noualhier, 1895); Çanakkale (Biga, Lapseki, Çan, Eceabat), Denizli, Isparta (Eğridir), İzmir (Yamanlar Mountain), Muğla (Marmaris) and Tekirdağ (Lodos et al., 1978). Recent studies revealed that from these localities Isparta (Eğridir) and Muğla (Marmaris) the specimens are *E.eckerleini cypria* Jos.

The distribution, host plants, collecting dates and numbers of *E. antennata* is tabulated as follows:

Collecting place	Date	Host plant	Number of specimen	
			♀	♂
Balikesir-Dursunbey	18.5.1971	<i>Alnus</i> sp.	1	1
Çanakkale-Biga	21.5.1973	<i>Platanus orientalis</i>	10	9
-Lapseki	21.5.1973	<i>P.orientalis</i>	—	1
-Eceabat	22.7.1973	<i>P.orientalis</i>	1	1
-Çan	22.4.1975	<i>P.orientalis</i>	—	1
Denizli-Merkez	12.5.1972	<i>Crataegus</i> sp.	—	1
İstanbul-Merkez	14.10.1975	<i>Pirus malus</i>	—	1
İstanbul-Merkez	18.5.1976	<i>Pirus malus</i>	—	1
İzmir-Bornova	12.5.1962			
İzmir-Yamanlar		<i>Prunus armeniaca</i>	—	1
Mountain	24.5.1973	<i>P.orientalis</i>	1	1
Tekirdağ	26.7.1973	<i>P.orientalis</i>	1	1

As one can easilsy understands from the above informations, this species largely distributes in the Western parts of Turkey (See also Fig.3).

## Host plants

*Alnus orientalis*, *Crataegus* sp. and *Platanus orientalis* (Lindberg, 1948; Stichel, 1961; Josifov, 1971; Georghiou, 1977; Lodos et al. 1978).

***Elasmucha eckerleini* cypria** Josifov (Fig. 9)

Josifov, 1971. *Reichenbachia*, 13 (25): 240-241.

General color shining gray brown (♂), or reddish brown (♀). Surface of the body distinctly punctured with black. Lateral margins of head sinuate in front of eyes; tylus distinctly shorter than juga; antennae pale, last segment black; rostrum extending to the third abdominal sternum. Lateral margins of pronotum subsinuate; lateral angles somewhat projecting; tergum black (♂) or reddish (♀). Connexium yellowish, apex and base of each connexival segment spotted narrowly with black. Venter and legs yellowish.

Length: 9.0 (♂), 10.1 (♀) mm.

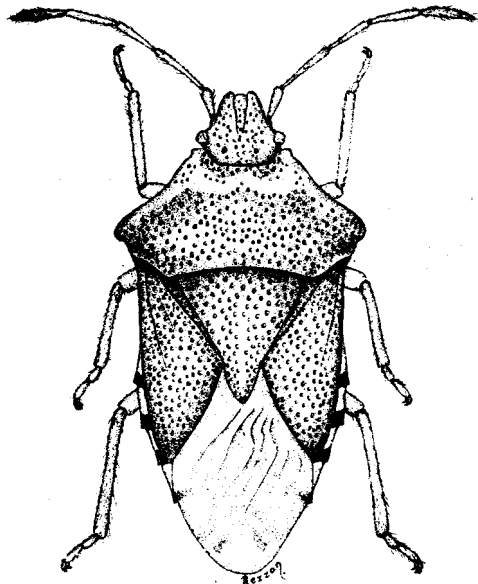


Fig. 9. *Elasmucha eckerleini* cypria

**Distribution**

The type locality of this <sup>V-sub</sup>species is Kalohorio (Cyprus) (Josifov, 1971). Up to date it has been not found in the another country.

**in Turkey:** The distribution, host plants, collecting dates and numbers of *E. eckerleini* cypria is tabulated as follows:

Collecting place	Date	Host plant	Number of specimen	
			♀	♂
Isparta-Eğridir	11.6.1973	<b>Platanus orientalis</b>	1	1
Muğla-Marmaris	7.5.1972	<b>P.orientalis</b>	1	1
Muğla-Fethiye	9.6.1973	<b>P.orientalis</b>	2	—

It is shown that this species strickly distributes in the southernwest region of Turkey which is very near Cyprus (See also Fig.3).

### Host plant

Josifov (1971) does not state the host-plant of this subspecies. In this study, all the specimens of this subspecies were found on **Platanus orientalis**.

### Özet

Türkiye Pentatomoidea (Heteroptera) üst familyası üzerinde araştırmalar. IV. Familya: Acanthosomatidae Stal 1864

Bu makale yazarların Türkiye Pentatomoidea'ları üzerinde daha önce yaptıkları çalışmaların bir devamıdır (Bkz. Lodos and Önder, 1978a; Lodos ve Önder, 1978b; Lodos ve Önder, 1979) ve sadece Acanthosomatidae familyasını içermektedir. Metin içinde yer alan türlerin tümü, tarafımızdan toplanmış olup kürsümüz koleksiyonunda muhafaza edilmektedir.

Görök konuyla ilgili meslekdaşlarımıza ve gerekse öğrencilerimize Acanthosomatidae familyasını ve bu familyaya bağlı cins ve türleri tanıtmak başlıca amacımızdır. Bu nedenle metin içinde familya, cins ve türlerle ilgili morfolojik, biyolojik ve taksonomik notlar verilmiştir. Ayrıca cins ve tür teşhis anahtarları da verilmiş ve her türün yayılış ve konukçularından da söz edilmiştir.

Bu çalışmada, Acanthosomatidae familyasına bağlı 4 cins ve 6 tür [*Cyphostethus interstinctus* (F.), *Acanthosoma haemorrhoidale* (L.), *Elasmucha grisea* (L.), *E.annata* Reut., *E.eckerleini cypria* Jos.] bulunmuş olup bunlardan *E.interstinctus* ve *E.eckerleini cypria* Türkiye için yeni kayıttır.

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