



Light and Electron Microscope Studies of Species of Plant Pathogenic Basidiomycota Isolated from Plants in Kıbrıs Village Valley (Ankara, Turkey)

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Abstract: A search for basidiomycetous plant parasites present in Kıbrıs Village Valley (Ankara, Turkey) was carried out during the period 2009-2010. Twenty-two basidiomycetous plant parasites were identified from Kıbrıs Village Valley. Morphological data obtained by light and scanning electron microscopy of identified fungi are presented.

Key Words: *Basidiomycota*, *Microstromatales*, *Uredinales*, *Ustilaginales*, SEM.

Kıbrıs'ın Köyü Vadisi'nde (Ankara, Türkiye) Bitkilerden İzole Edilmiş Bitki Patojeni Basidiomycota Türlerinin Işık ve Elektron Mikroskobu Çalışmaları

Özet: Kıbrıs Köyü Vadisi'nde (Ankara, Türkiye) bulunan bazidiyumlu bitki paraziti mantarların araştırılması 2009-2010 yıllarında yapılmıştır. Kıbrıs'ın Köyü Vadisi'nde yirmi iki bazidiyumlu bitki paraziti tespit edilmiştir. Teşhis edilmiş mantarların ışık ve taramalı elektron mikroskobuna dayalı morfolojik verileri sunulmuştur.

Anahtar Kelimeler: *Basidiomycota*, *Microstromatales*, *Uredinales*, *Ustilaginales*, SEM

Introduction

The order *Microstromatales* with the single family *Microstromataceae* was erected for species having simple-septate hyphae and local interaction zones without the formation of interaction apparatus. Haustoria or other intracellular fungal organs are lacking (Begerow et al. 2006).

The *Microstroma* Niessl, the single genus

currently placed in the *Microstromataceae*, is represented by two species (*Microstroma album* (Desm.) Sacc. and *Microstroma juglandis* (Bérenger) Sacc.) in Turkey (Göbelez 1967).

Rust fungi (*Uredinales*) are one of the largest natural taxa within the kingdom Eumycota. More than 7000 species belonging to 100-125 genera and 14 families are accepted currently.



The largest genus, *Puccinia* Pers., contains ca. 4000 spp., 650 of which occur on *Poaceae* (Abbasi 1996). Recently, Bahçecioglu & Kabaktepe (2012) listed species of rust fungi and their hosts in Turkey. 351 species of rust fungi were registered on 778 species of high plants from 325 genera of 63 families.

The order *Ustilaginales* comprises the majority of smut fungi including the large genera *Ustilago* (Pers.) Roussel and *Sporisorium* Ehrenb. ex Link. Most species of this group sporulate in the reproductive parts of their hosts (Begerow et al. 2006). About 30 species, belonging to the genera *Anthracoidea* Bref., *Sporisorium* Ehrenb. ex Link, *Tolyposporium* Woronin ex J. Schröt., *Tranzscheliella* Lavrov and *Ustilago* (Pers.) Roussel, have been reported from Turkey (Şahin and Tamer 1998; Kırbağ 2003; Bahçecioglu et al. 2006; Kabaktepe and Bahçecioglu 2006).

This research was carried out in valley of Kıbrıs Village belonging to Mamak district which about 20 km southeast of Ankara province. Kıbrıs Village Valley is situated in the Irano-Turanian phytogeographic region and according to the grid square system adopted by Davis (1965–1985), it is located in the squares B4. The climate of the province is Mediterranean. Kıbrıs Village Valley is 1st degree field of natural sites and its three area are 1st archaeological site.

As an aid in identification and classification of fungi, the scanning electron microscope (SEM) allowing the observation of surface structures of various organs is becoming increasingly available (Udagawa & Hoire 1973). The discovery of additional features with the SEM has provided useful support for identification when crucial characters are not clear with the light microscope (LM). The aim of this study is to investigate micromorphology of spores of basidiomycetous plant parasites present in Kıbrıs Village Valley using SEM and LM.

Materials and Methods

Infected plant specimens were collected from Kıbrıs Village Valley in Ankara province of Turkey. The host specimens were prepared according to established herbarium techniques. Host plants were identified using the Flora of Turkey and East Aegean Islands (Davis 1965–1985). The fungal specimens were isolated from the host plants by obtaining thin sections or scraping. For microscopic examination and microphotographs a Leica DM E light microscope was used. Spores were measured using a Leica DM E light microscope. Length and width of 20 spores were measured for each sample. Leica EZ4D stereo microscope was used for close-up photo of the uredinia and/or telia on leaf surface. The microfungi were identified using relevant literature (Azbukina 2005; Kuprevich and Ulijanishchev 1975; Ulijanishchev 1978; Ulijanishchev et al. 1985; Wilson and Henderson 1966). All specimens examined were deposited in the mycological collection of the Department of Biology, Faculty of Science, Gazi University, in Ankara province of Turkey.

For scanning electron microscopy (SEM), 8–10- mm-square pieces of infected leaves were mounted on the SEM stubs with double-sided adhesive tape. They were coated with gold using a Polaron SC 502 Sputter Coater and were examined with a Jeol JSM 6060 scanning electron microscope operated at 5-10 kV in the Electron Microscopy Unit, Faculty of Science, Gazi University (Turkey).

Results

Twenty-two microfungi were identified in the research area. Morphological data which was obtained by light and scanning electron microscopy of these fungi was provided. The author abbreviations of fungi are according to Kirk and Ansell (1992). The systematics of taxa were listed according to Index Fungorum (www.speciesfungorum.org, accessed 2013). Family and species names are listed in alphabetical order in the text.



List of Taxa

Basidiomycota

Exobasidiomycetes

Microstromatales

Microstromataceae

Microstroma Niessl (1861)

1-Microstroma album (Desm.) Sacc.

Leaf spots circular to angular, small, speckled with yellow. Basidium hypophyllous,

clavate, hyaline, 20-25 x 10 µm in size, bursting out through the ruptured cuticle. Basidiospores one celled, fusiform to ellipsoid, guttulate, hyaline, 7.5-12.5 x 2.5-3.5 µm in size, wall smooth (Fig. 1).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, 39°52'7,7"N, 33°00'14,7"E, 1105-1115 m, roadside, steppe, on living leaves of *Quercus pubescens* Willd. (*Fagaceae*), 24.09.2009, TE 1102.

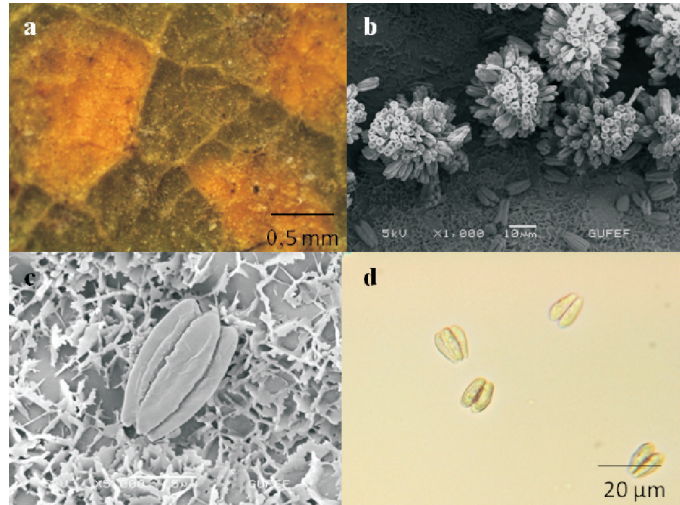


Fig.1. *Microstroma album*: a-Leaf spot;b-Basidium and basidiospores(SEM); c-Basidiospores (SEM);d- Basidiospores

Pucciniomycetes

Pucciniales

Melampsoraceae

Melampsora Castagne (1843)

2-Melampsora salicis-albae Kleb.

Spermogonia: generally hypophyllous, rarely on the stems, lenticular, scattered. Uredinia: generally amphigenous, sometimes on the stems, scattered or confluent, causing yellow or orange spots on the leaves, paraphyses capitate, hyaline, 12-15 µm width. Urediniospores: yellow, globoid, oblong or pyriform, 20-27.5 x (15-) 17.5-20 (25) µm in size, wall densely echinulate. Telia: amphigenous, subepidermal, dark brown. Teliospores: prismatic, rounded at both ends, yellowish, (30) 35-40 x 10-12.5 µm in size.

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Akçadere location, 1100-1200 m, riverside, on living leaves of *Salix alba* L. (*Salicaceae*), 24.9.2009, TE 1112.

3-Melampsora euphorbiae (Ficinus & C. Schub.) Castagne

Uredinia: amphigenous, generally hypophyllous, rarely on the stems, yellow, scattered, minute, surrounded by many capitate paraphyses. Urediniospores: yellow, globoid, oblong, ellipsoid, 20-25 (-30) x (15-) 17.5-20 (22.5) µm in size, wall densely echinulate, hyaline. Telia: amphigenous, subepidermal, brown. Teliospores: cylindrical-prismatic, rounded at both ends, brown, 25-55 x 10-13.5 µm in size (Fig. 2).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, 39°52'7,7"N, 32°00'14,7"E, 1050 m, steppe, on living leaves of *Euphorbia macroclada* L. (*Euphorbiaceae*), 09.08.2009, TE 1088; A B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Akçadere location, 1062 m, riverside, on living leaves of *Euphorbia stricta* L. (*Euphorbiaceae*), 17.4.2009, TE 1049.

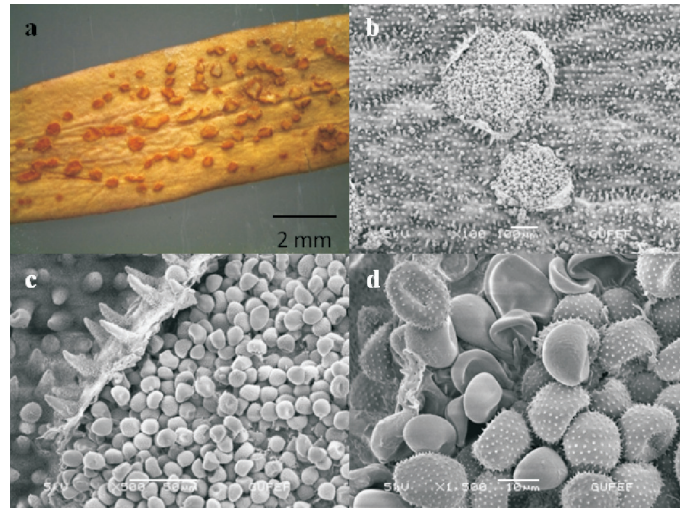


Fig. 2. *Melampsora euphorbiae*: a-General appearance; b-Uredinia(SEM); c,d-Urediniospores and paraphyses(SEM)

Phragmidiaceae

***Phragmidium* Link (1816)**

4-*Phragmidium bulbosum* (Fr.) Schldt.

Spermogonia: epiphyllous, in minute clusters, orange. Uredinia: hypophyllous, yellowish-brown, scattered or confluent, pulverulent. Urediniospores: yellow, globoid, oblong or ovoid, 17.5-22.5 (25) x 12.5-15 (17.5) μm in size, wall echinulate. Telia: hypophyllous, black, scattered or in groups, rounded, pulvinate, pulverulent. Teliospores: black, broadly ellipsoid

to cylindrical, 4- to 7 (mostly 5-6)-celled, rounded above with a hyaline apiculus 11-15 μm long, rounded at the base, not constricted or slightly constricted, 60-70 x 22.5-27.5 μm in size, wall verrucose, 2.5-5 μm thick at the side, pedicel hyaline, 100-110 μm long, clavate in lower half, persistent (Fig. 3).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, 39°52'4,9"N, 33°00'18,7"E, 1050-1090 m, riverside, shady places, on living leaves of *Rubus sanctus* Schreb. (*Rosaceae*), 24.09.2009, TE 1096.

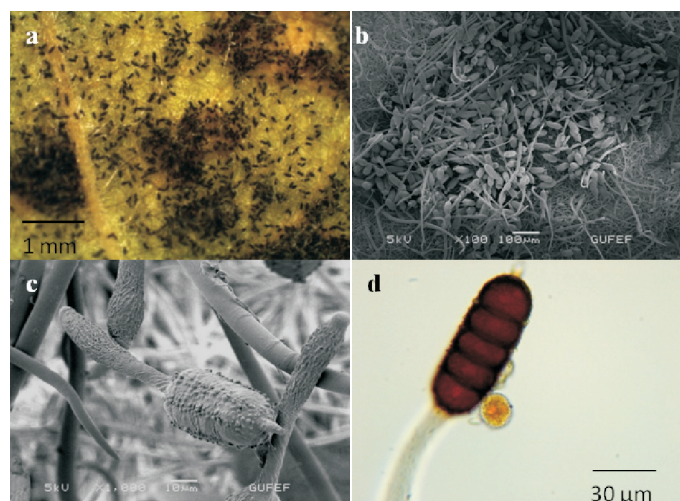


Fig. 3. *Phragmidium bulbosum*: a-General appearance; b,c-Teliospores(SEM);d-Teliospore and urediniospore



**5-*Phragmidium mucronatum* (Pers.)
Schltldl.**

Uredinia: amphigenous, pale orange, scattered or in groups. Urediniospores: pale yellow, globoid, ellipsoid, ovoid or angular, (20) 22.5-27.5 (-30) x 17.5-22.5 μm in size, wall echinulate, or verruculose. Telia: hypophyllous, scattered or in groups, rounded, black, 500 μm diam., pulverulent. Teliospores: blackish-brown,

ellipsoid to cylindrical, 6- to 7-celled, not constricted, 85-100 x 32.5-37.5 μm in size, wall smooth or verrucose. The hyaline pedicel was swollen, clavate in lower half, 150-175 μm (Fig. 4).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, 39°52'22"N, 33°00'01"E, 1027-1050 m, riverside, shady places, on living leaves of *Rosa canina* L. (*Rosaceae*), 24.09.2009, TE 1093.

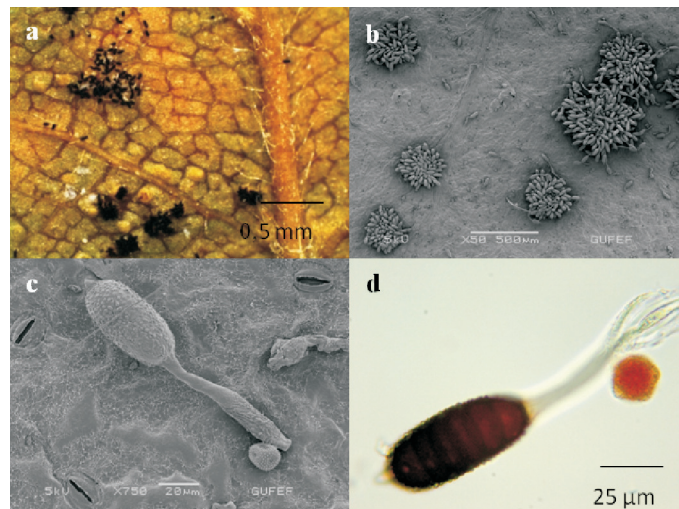


Fig. 4. *Phragmidium mucronatum*: a-General appearance; b-Telia and teliospores(SEM);c-Teliospore and urediniospore(SEM);d-Teliospore and urediniospore

Pucciniaceae

Gymnosporangium R. Hedw. ex DC.
(1805)

6-*Gymnosporangium confusum* Dietel

Spermogonia: epiphyllous, orange, in small groups, subgloboid, subepidermal in origin. Aecidia: hypophyllous, yellowish brown, 4-5 mm diam. Peridial cells in surface view lanceolate, in lateral view rhombic, elongate, obliquely arranged warts and ridges. Aecidiospores: cinnamon-brown, globoid, angular, (20) 22.5-27.5 x (20) 22.5-27.5 μm in size, wall verruculose (Fig. 5).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, 39°52'07,66"N, 33°00'12,43"E, 1128 m, roadside, steppe, on fruit and living leaves of *Crataegus monogyna* Jacq. var. *monogyna* (*Rosaceae*), 17.IV.2009,

TE 1036.

Puccinia Pers. (1801)

7-*Puccinia acarnae* P. Syd. & Syd.

Uredinia: hypophyllous, chestnut-brown, roundish. Urediniospores: cinnamon-brown, globoid, ellipsoid, 25-30 x (20) 22.5-27.5 μm in size, wall echinulate. Telia: amphigenous, blackish brown, rounded, pulverulent. Teliospores: chestnut-brown, ellipsoid, broadly ellipsoid, ovoid, oblong, 33.5-45 x 25-30 μm in size, constricted in septate, wall verruculose, pedicel hyaline, short, fragile (Fig. 6).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, Cellinin kayası location, 1100m, **steppe**. on living leaves of *Picnomon acarna* (L.) Cass. (***Asteraceae***), 17.04.2009, TE 1031.

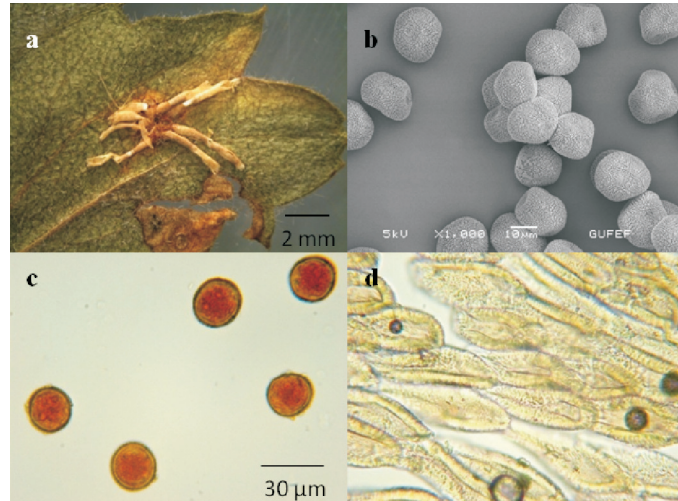


Fig. 5., *Gymnosporangium confusum*: a-General appearance; b-Aecidiospores(SEM);c- aecidiospores; d-Peridial cells

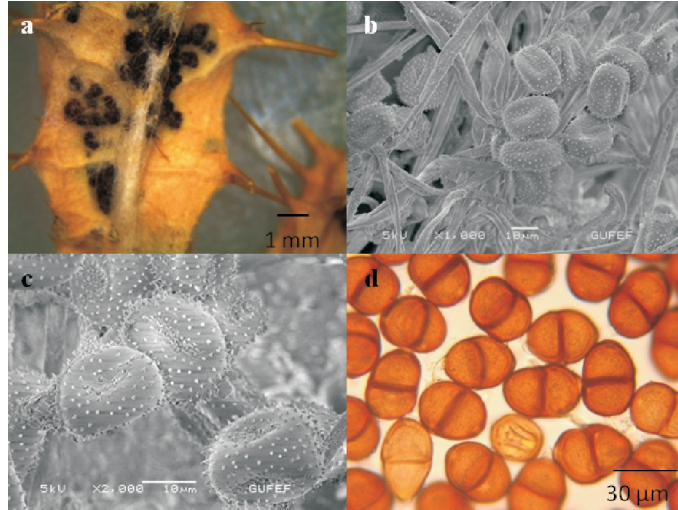


Fig. 6., *Puccinia acarnae*: a-General appearance; b,c-Urediniospores(SEM);d-Teliospores

8-*Puccinia behenis* J. Schröt.

Uredinia: amphigenous, scattered, yellow, chestnut-brown, roundish, pulverulent. Urediniospores: subglobose to ellipsoid, 25-30 x (20) 22.5-27.5 µm in size, wall echinulate, with 3 or 4 pores. Teliospores not seen (Fig. 7).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, Akçadere location, 1100-1150 m, riverside, on living leaves of *Silene pratensis* (Rafn) Godr. subsp. *ericalycina* (Boiss.) McNeill & H.C.Prent. (*Caryophyllaceae*), 01.08.2010, TE 1187.

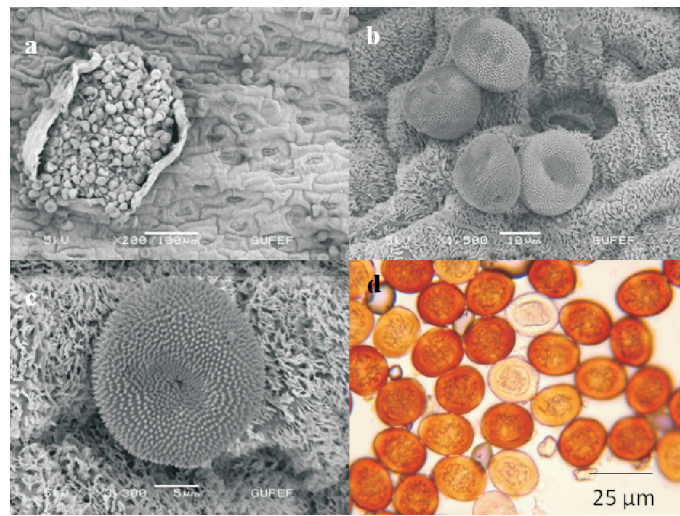


Fig. 7., *Puccinia behenii*: a-Uredinia and urediniospores(SEM); b,c-Urediniospores(SEM);d-Urediniospores

9-*Puccinia calcitrapae* DC.

Telia: amphigenous, generally epiphyllous, scattered or confluent, rounded, 400-1200 μm diam., black, pulverulent. Teliospores: ellipsoid, oblong, 32.5-40 x (20) 22.5-27.5 (30) μm in size, brown, rounded or attenuate both ends, slightly constricted in septate, wall 2.5-5 μm thick,

verruculose, pedicel, filiform, hyaline, fragile (Fig. 8).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Kavakderesi location, 1000-1080 m, riverside, on living leaves of *Carduus pycnocephalus* L. subsp. *albidus* (M.Bieb.) Kazmi (Asteraceae), 17.04.2009, TE 1025.

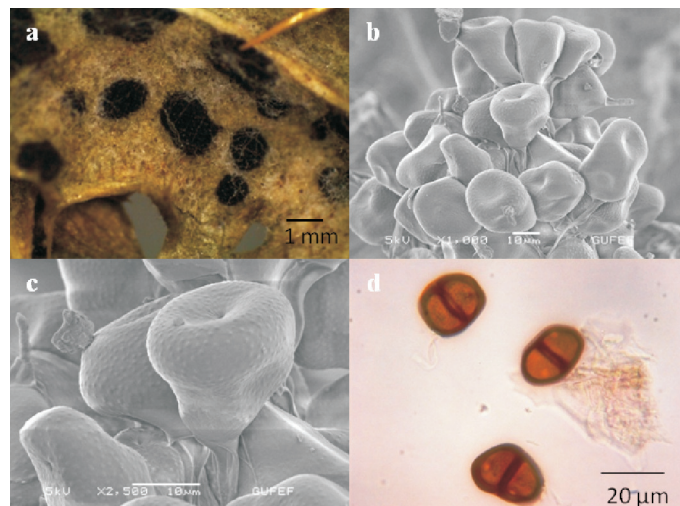


Fig. 8., *Puccinia calcitrapae*: a-General appearance; b,c-Teliospores(SEM);d-Teliospores

10-*Puccinia cynodontis* Lacroix ex Desm.

Spermogonia: amphigenous, pale yellow, 70-90 μm diam. Aecia: hypophyllous, globose, 1-3 μm diam., orange. Aeciospores: oblong, 23-29 x 19-24 μm, wall 1.5-2 μm thick. Urediniospores and teliospores on *Cynodon dactylon* (L.)Pers.

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Dipsiz gölü location, 1200 m, riverside, shady places, on living leaves of *Plantago major* L. subsp. *intermedia* (Gilib.) Lange (*Plantaginaceae*), 24.09.2009, TE 1124.



11-*Puccinia eryngii* G. Winter

Uredinia: hypophyllous, scattered, yellow, chestnut-brown, roundish, pulverulent. Urediniospores: globoid, ellipsoid, 25-32.5 x (20) 22.5-25 μm in size, wall echinulate. Telia: amphigenous, dark brown, scattered. Teliospores: chestnut-brown, broadly ellipsoid, ovoid, oblong, (32.5) 37.5-42.5 (45) x 22.5-27.5

μm in size, rounded at apex, attenuate at the base, slightly constricted, wall smooth, pedicel short, hyaline, fragile (Fig. 9).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Cellinin kayası location, 1105-1120 m, slopes, stepe, on living leaves of *Eryngium campestre* L. var. *virens* Link (*Apiaceae*), 17.04.2009, TE 1014.

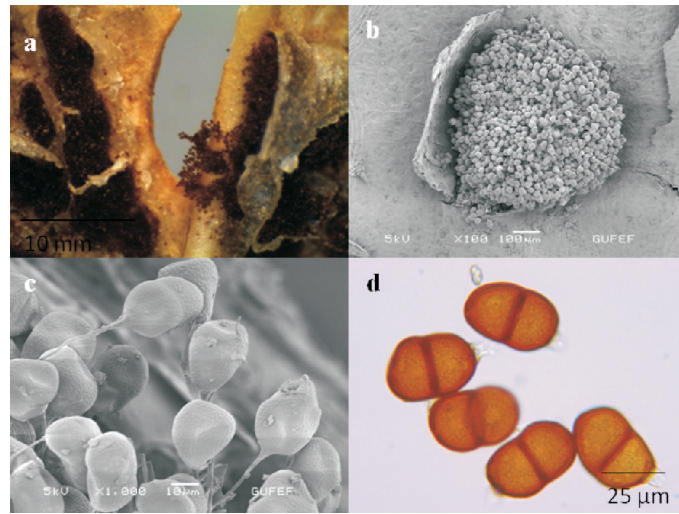


Fig. 9., *Puccinia eryngii*: a-General appearance; b-Telia and teliospores(SEM);c-Teliospores(SEM); d-Teliospores

12-*Puccinia hieracii* (Röhl.) H. Mart. f. *hieracii*

Uredinia: amphigenous, yellowish, small, scattered or in groups, ovate or irregular, 0.2-1 mm long, pulverulent. Urediniospores: cinnamon-brown, ellipsoid, globoid, ovate, 22.5-30 (32.5) x (20) 22.5-25 μm in size, wall echinulate, 1-2 μm thick. Telia: amphigenous, blackish brown to black, scattered or rarely in groups, roundish, 0.3-0.8 mm diam., pulverulent. Teliospores: chestnut-brown, ovoid, ellipsoid, oblong, 27.5-32.5 x (17.5) 20-22.5 μm in size, rounded at both ends, sometimes attenuate at the base, wall verruculose, pedicel short, hyaline (Fig. 10).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Kaynar gölü location, 1140 m, riverside, on living leaves of *Taraxacum officinale* Weber (*Asteraceae*),

24.09.2009, TE 1098.

13-*Puccinia jasmini* DC.

Telia: amphigenous, generally hypophyllous, in dense groups on the stems and petioles, rounded or ovoid, gray or black. Teliospores: oblong, ellipsoid or ovoid, (40) 42.5-50 x 20-25 μm in size, brown, apex often tapering, conic or obtuse, narrowed below, constricted in septate, wall smooth, up to 3.5 μm thick at the side, 7.5 μm thick at the apex, pedicel up to 100 μm long, filiform, hyaline, strong (Fig. 11).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, 39°52'09,73"N, 33°00'18,81"E, 1111 m, on living leaves of *Jasminum fruticans* L. (*Oleaceae*), 17.04.2009, TE 1038.

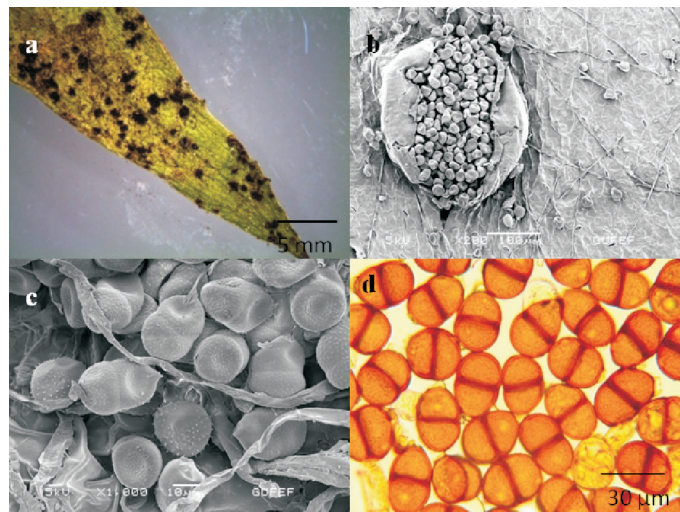


Fig. 10., *Puccinia hieraciif. f. hieracii*: a-General appearance; b-Telia and teliospores(SEM);c-Teliospores and urediniospores(SEM); d-Teliospores

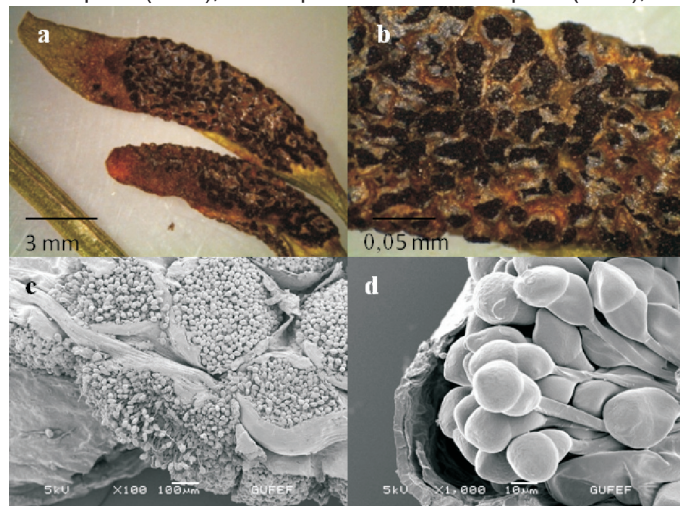


Fig. 11., *Puccinia jasmini*: a,b-General appearance; c-Telia and teliospores(SEM); d-Teliospores(SEM)

14-*Puccinia malvacearum* Bertero ex Mont.

Telia: hypophyllous and on the stems and petioles, scattered, rounded, pulvinate, compact, hard, 0.2-1 mm diam., often 2.5 mm diam. in groups, at first gray then black. Teliospores: subfusoid to ellipsoid, (22.5) 35.5-55 x 17.5-22.5 μm in size, brown, attenuate at both ends, slightly constricted in septate, wall smooth, up to 2-3 μm thick at the side, 8 μm thick at the apex, pedicel hyaline, strong (Fig. 12).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, Akçadere location, 1000-1200 m, riverside, on living leaves of *Malva sylvestris* L. (*Malvaceae*), 24.09.2009,

TE 1106; B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, Akçadere location, 1079 m, riverside, on living leaves of *Alcea biennis* Winterl. (*Malvaceae*), 17.04.2009, TE 1058.

15-*Puccinia nevodovskii* Gamalitzk.

Uredinia: amphigenous, yellowish, small, scattered or often confluent, ovate or irregular. Urediniospores: chestnut-brown, ellipsoid, globoid, ovate, 17.5-25 x 17-22.5 μm in size, wall echinulate, pale chestnut-brown. Telia: amphigenous, blackish brown to black, scattered or rarely in groups, globoid.



Teliospores: chestnut-brown, ovoid, broadly ellipsoid, oblong, 40-67.5 x 20-25 (30) µm in size, rounded or sometimes attenuate at the apex, attenuate at the base, constricted in septate, guttulate, wall smooth, 5-12.5 µm thick

at the apex, pedicel persistent, hyaline (Fig. 13).
 B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, 39°52'01,71"N, 33°00'19,58"E, 1111 m, steppe, on stem and living leaves of *Galium floribundum* Sm. subsp. *floribundum* (Rubiceae), 17.04.2009, TE 1040.

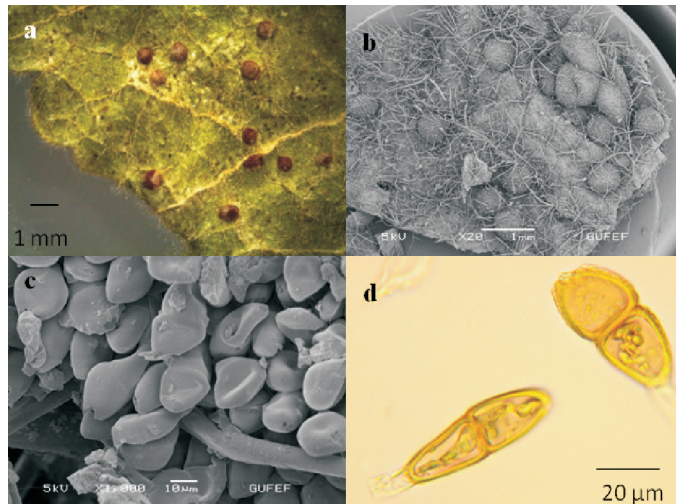


Fig. 12., *Puccinia malvacearum*: a-General appearance; b-Telia and teliospores(SEM);c-Teliospores(SEM); d-Teliospores

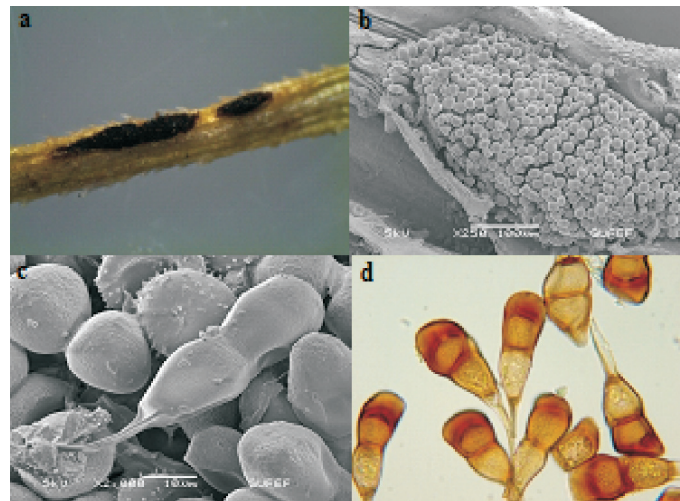


Fig. 13., *Puccinia nevodovskii* a-General appearance; b-Telia and teliospores(SEM);c-Teliospores and urediniospores(SEM); d-Teliospores

16-*Puccinia poarum* E. Nielsen

Spermogonia: epiphyllous, brownish-black, in the middle of thickened irregular spots on the leaf. Aecidia: hyphophyllous, globoid, 2-3 µm diam., orange. Aecidiospores: chestnut-brown, globoid, ellipsoid, ovate, 25-30 x 15-27.5

µm in size, wall verruculose. Urediniospores and teliospores on *Poa* L. species (Fig. 14).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, 39°52'7,7"N, 33°00'14,7"E, 1000-1100 m, slope, stony place, on living leaves of *Tussilago farfara* L. (Asteraceae), 24.09.2009, TE 1085.

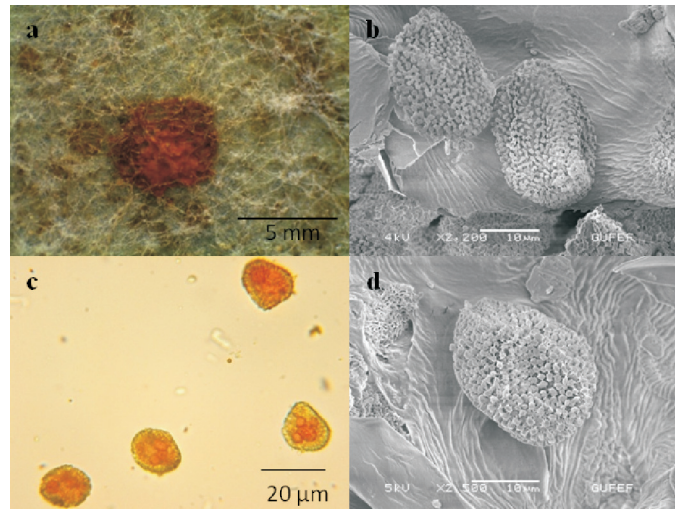


Fig. 14., *Puccinia poarum* a-General appearance; b-Aecidiospores(SEM);c-Aecidiospores;d-Aecidiospores(SEM)

17-*Puccinia rubiae-tataricae* Syd. & P. Syd.

Uredinia: amphigenous, chestnut-brown, globose. Urediniospores: cinnamon-brown, ellipsoid, globose, ovate, 22.5-25 x 17.5-25 μm in size, wall echinulate, pale chestnut-brown. Telia: amphigenous, black, roundish, pulvinate.

Teliospores: brown, ovoid, oblong, 37.5-50 x 15-22.5 μm in size, wall verruculose, pedicel short, hyaline, fragile (Fig. 15).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, 39°52'11,40"N, 33°00'13,59"E, 1084 m, *riverside*, on living leaves of *Rubia tinctorum* L. (*Rubiaceae*), 24.09.2009, TE 1111.

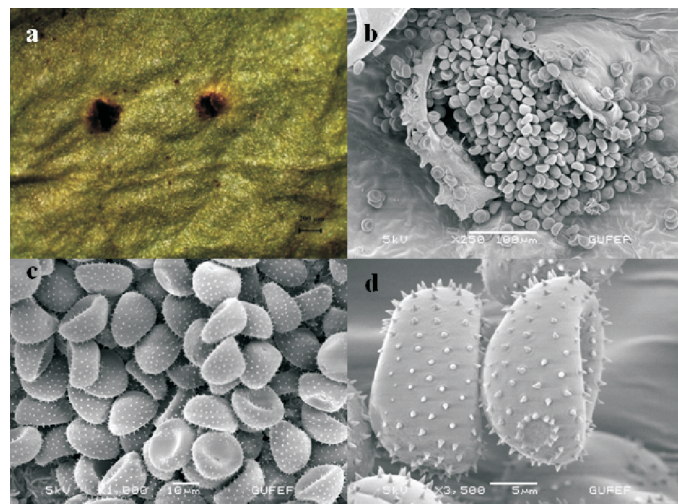


Fig. 15., *Puccinia rubiae-tataricae*: a-General appearance; b-Uredinia and urediniospores(SEM);c,d- Urediniospores(SEM)



18-*Puccinia striiformis* Westend.

Uredinia: amphigenous, chestnut-brown, small, scattered or often confluent, ovate or irregular. Urediniospores: chestnut-brown, ellipsoid, globoid, oval, (17.5) 25-27.5 x 17.5-25 μm in size, wall echinulate, pale chestnut-brown. Telia: amphigenous, blackish brown to black, oblong. Teliospores: pale brown, cylindrical, broadly ellipsoid, oblong, 42.5-62.5 x 12.5-25 μm

in size, wall smooth, rounded or sometimes attenuate at the apex, attenuate at the base, constricted in septate, pedicel hyaline, fragile (Fig. 16).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Akçadere location, 1000-1050 m, shady places, on living leaves of *Elymus hispidus* (Opiz) Melderis subsp. *hispidus* (Poaceae), 24.09.2009, TE 1105.

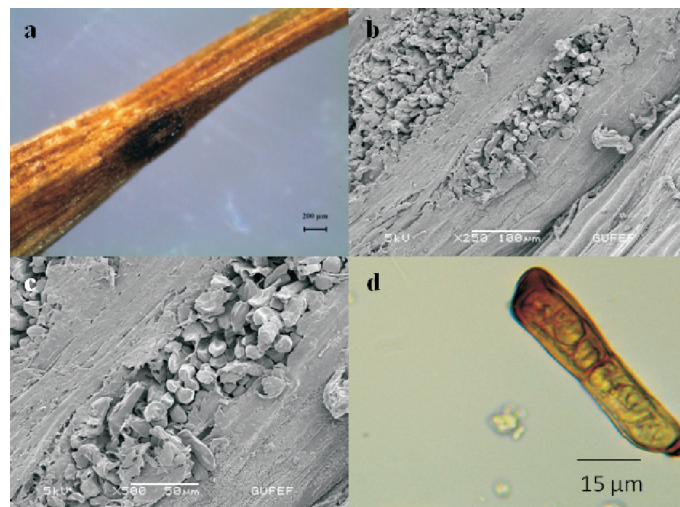


Fig. 16., *Puccinia striiformis*: a-General appearance; b,c-Telia and teliospores(SEM);d- Teliospore

Uromyces (Link) Unger (1833)

19-*Uromyces anthyllidis* (Grev.) J. Schröt.

Uredinia: amphigenous, chestnut-brown, small, scattered, in the concentric rings, roundish, pulverulent. Urediniospores: chestnut-brown, globoid, 20-22.5 (28) x 20-22.5 μm in size, wall echinulate, 1.5-4 μm thick. Teliospores not seen. Spermogonia, aecidia on *Euphorbia* L. species (Fig. 17).

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Dipsiz gölü location, 1100 m, steppe, on living leaves of *Onobrychis hypargyrea* Boiss. (Fabaceae), 01.08.2010, TE 1183.

20-*Uromyces polygoni-avicularis*

(Pers.) P. Karst.

Uredinia: amphigenous, cinnamon-brown, scattered, rounded, pulverulent. Urediniospores: pale-brown, globoid, ellipsoid, (17.5) 22.5- 27.5 x 17.5-20 μm in size, wall echinulate. Telia: hypophyllous, dark-brown, scattered or in the concentric rings, pulverulent. Teliospores: chestnut-brown, globoid, obovoid, oblong, 22.5-25 x 17.5-22.5 μm in size, wall remotely echinulate, pedicels hyaline, short, persistent.

B4 Ankara: Kıbrıs Village, Akçadere location, 1000-1200 m, riverside, on living leaves of *Polygonum aviculare* L. (Polygonaceae), 24.09.2009, TE 1084.

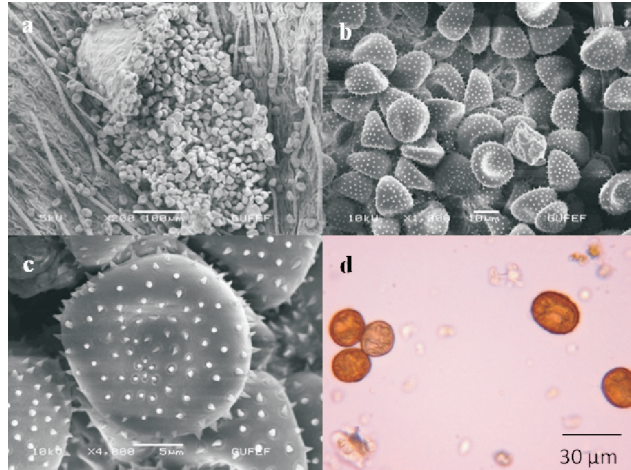


Fig. 17., *Uromyces anthyllidis*: a-Uredinia and urediniospores(SEM); b,c-Urediniospores(SEM);d- Urediniospores

21-*Uromyces rumicis* (Schumach.) G.
Winter

Uredinia: amphigenous, sometimes in the concentric rings, cinnamon-brown, scattered, rounded, 200-1000 μm diam., pulverulent. Urediniospores: pale-brown, globose, ellipsoid, sometimes angular, 22.5-32.5 (35) x 20-25 μm in size, wall sparsely echinulate, 1.5-2 μm thick. Telia: hypophyllous, dark-brown, scattered or in

the concentric rings, pulverulent. Teliospores: brown, ovate, ellipsoid, globose, obovoid, oblong, 30-37.5 x (17.5) 20-25 μm in size, wall sparsely echinulate, 2.5-3 μm thick, pedicels hyaline, short, fragile (Fig. 18).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, Cellinin kayası location, 1128 m, rocky slope, on living leaves of *Rumex scutatus* L. (*Polygonaceae*), 24.09.2009, TE 1034.

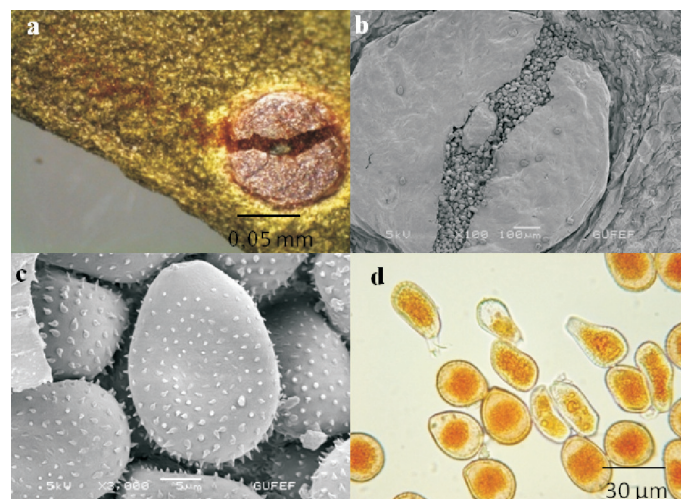


Fig. 18., *Uromyces rumicis*: a-Uredinia;b-Uredinia(SEM); c-Urediniospores(SEM);d- Teliospores and urediniospores



Ustilaginomycetes
Ustilaginales
Ustilaginaceae
***Ustilago* (Pers.) Roussel (1806)**
22-*Ustilago bullata* Berk.

Sori in the spikelets, usually in all spikelets on the inflorescence, replacing the floral parts and including the bases of the glumes, covered by a green to grey membrane of host tissue

which at maturity ruptures to expose the spore mass. Spore mass at first firm then dusty, dark brown to purplish-black, consisting of spores only. Spores globose to subglobose or angular, dark chestnut-brown, 7.5-10 x 5-7.5 µm in size, wall densely verrucose (Fig. 19).

B4 Ankara: Kibris Village, Cellinin kayası location, 1150 m, steppe, on spikes of *Bromus sterilis* L. (Poaceae), 17.04.2009, TE 1048.

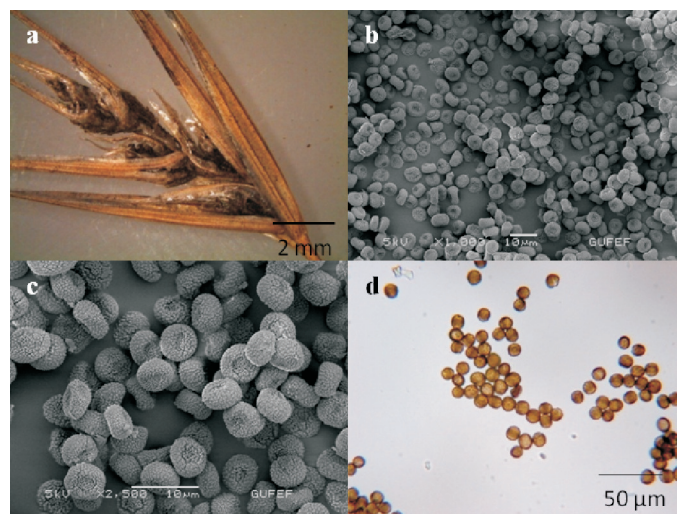


Fig. 19., *Ustilago bullata*: a-General appearance;b,c-Spores(SEM);d- Spores

Discussion

The Kibris Village Valley was chosen as a research area, because its climatic conditions and plant distributions are suitable for the growth of microfungi. But the plants are completely covered by the dense dust mass caused from the activities of the stone quarries in the research area. This dust mass is a mechanical barrier for the penetration and distribution to the host plant of the fungi. This was detected as a decreasing factor on the fungi diversity and the rate of contamination.

As a result of field work carried out between 2009-2010 in Kibris Village Valley (Ankara), 3 classes, 3 orders, 5 families, 7 genera and 22 species of the Basidiomycota divisio have been identified. As a classification of species within genera in class Pucciniomycetes:

12 species assigned to genus *Puccinia*, 3 species to *Uromyces*, two species to *Melampsora*, two species to *Phragmidium* and one species to *Gymnosporangium*.

Exobasidiomycetes is represented by *Microstroma* and *Ustilaginomycetes* by a single species of genus *Ustilago*. As a result of present study, *Ustilago bromivora*, a microfungus attributed to this divisio, is carpotroph in terms of trophic structure while the others are biophyllotroph. All of them consider as parasite.

In terms of ecological relationships of microfungi, their lives on a substrate is also interesting in addition to the host. In this case, living together of species belonging to different systematic groups and genera, as well as different species classified in the same genus is the subject.



During the present investigation some fungi were recorded growing together on the same substratum. *Erysiphe buhrii* U. Braun was found developing together with *Puccinia behenii* J. Schröt. on living leaves of *Silene pratensis* (Rafn) Godr. subsp. *ericalycina* (Boiss.) McNeill & H.C.Prent., *Erysiphe polygoni* DC. together with *Uromyces polygoni-avicularis* (Pers.) P. Karst. on living leaves of *Polygonum aviculare* L., *Sporonema punctiforme* (Fuckel) Petr. together with *Puccinia rubiae-tataricae* Syd. & P. Syd. on living leaves of *Rubia*

tinctorum L. In addition, some species of microfungi are known on different hosts. *Puccinia malvacearum* Bertero ex Mont. was found on living leaves of *Malva sylvestris* L. and *Alcea biennis* Winterl.

Puccinia nevodovskii Gamalitzk. on the leaves of *Galium floribundum* Sm. subsp. *floribundum* have only been given recently as new record (Ekici et al. 2010). We believe this study will contribute to mycoflora of Turkey which will be prepared in the future.

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