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The genus *Halothamnus* Jaub. & Spach (Chenopodiaceae) in Turkey

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Abstract: The semidesert taxon *Halothamnus* (Chenopodiaceae), which is confirmed to supersede the later *Aellenia*, is represented in Turkey by *H. glaucus* subsp. *glaucus* and *H. hierochunticus*. The former was known to occur in Kars and Ağrı provinces but was found recently in Kayseri province as well. The latter is a new record for the flora of Turkey from Şanlıurfa province close to the Syrian border. Full descriptions of the genus and the species occurring in Turkey are given and the case of *Aellenia* is discussed. Images and distributional data including maps are provided.

Key words: *Aellenia*, Chenopodiaceae, flora of Turkey, *Halothamnus*

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