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A new species of *Silene* (Caryophyllaceae) from Turkey

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Abstract: *Silene bayburtensis* Hamzaoglu & Aksoy sp. nov. is described as a new species from Bayburt province (Turkey). The specimen was collected on a calcareous steppe, in 2 localities, at an altitude between 1700 and 1750 m. The new species is similar to *Silene pharnaceifolia* Fenzl. The differences between the species are discussed.

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