

## Additional Notes on the Odonata Fauna of Kurupelit (Samsun, Turkey)

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**Abstract:** In this study 387 Odonata specimens were collected and identified from the vicinity of streams and puddles in Kurupelit, Samsun, Turkey, between May and October 2002-2005. In all, 27 species from 17 genera belonging to 9 families were identified, 9 of which (*Coenagrion scitulum*, *Ischnura elegans ebneri*, *Aeshna affinis*, *Aeshna isosceles antehumeralis*, *Anax parthenope*, *Hemianax ephippiger*, *Libellula depressa*, *Libellula fulva*, and *Orthetrum brunneum*) are new records for the Odonata fauna of Samsun. This study includes faunistic and distributional records of the 27 species.

**Key Words:** Odonata, fauna, Kurupelit, Samsun, Turkey

### Kurupelit (Samsun, Türkiye) Odonata Faunasına Katkılar

**Özet:** Bu çalışmada, 2002-2005 yıllarında Mayıs-Ekim ayları süresince Kurupelit, Samsun'daki su birikintilerinden ve ırımkıraflarından 387 Odonata örneği toplanıp tespis edildi. 9 familyaya ait 17 cinsin 27 türlü tespit edilmiştir, bunların 9'u (*Coenagrion scitulum*, *Ischnura elegans ebneri*, *Aeshna affinis*, *Aeshna isosceles antehumeralis*, *Anax parthenope*, *Hemianax ephippiger*, *Libellula depressa*, *Libellula fulva*, *Orthetrum brunneum*) Samsun Odonata faunası için yeni kayıttır. Bu çalışma 27 türün faunistik ve dağılımsal kayıtlarını içerir.

**Anahtar Sözcükler:** Odonata, Fauna, Kurupelit, Samsun, Türkiye

### Introduction

Although the order Odonata is an important group among the insects, studies of the Odonata fauna in Turkey are too few. There are a few records reported by Demirsoy (1982, 1995) and Van Pelt (2004) from Samsun province, but this province has not yet been studied in detail. Kurupelit, located in Samsun province, has a rich habitat and contains a variety of waters, such as streams, puddles, and wetlands. This area is also suitable for the growth of odonates. Therefore, we surveyed the odonates of Kurupelit, which have not been previously investigated.

### Materials and Methods

Kurupelit is located in the middle Black Sea region of Turkey. The research area is situated at lat 41°21'-41°22'N, long 36°14'-36°11'E at an altitude of 4-180 m (Figure).

Examined specimens were collected from Kurupelit between May and October of 2002-2005. Odonata specimens were collected with aerial nets. Specimens were put into envelopes and transported to the lab, where they were kept in acetone-filled jars for a day, which was followed by drying for 2 h. After the specimens were softened in jars for approximately 3-4 h, they were desiccated and then pinned. All the specimens were deposited at the Ondokuz Mayıs University Zoology Museum.

Bei-Bienko (1964), Schmidt (1967), Demirsoy (1982, 1995), Schneider (1986), Askew (1988), Dumont (1991), Battin (1993) and Beschovski (1994) were used for identification of the specimens.

### Results

**Suborder:** Zygoptera

**Family:** Calopterygidae

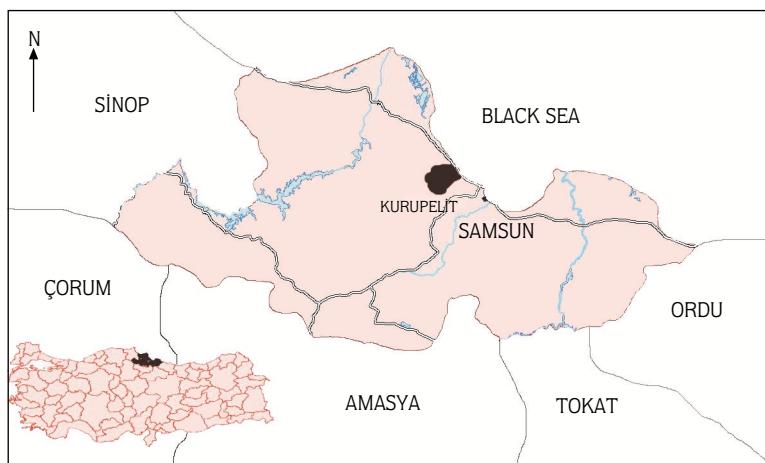


Figure. Kurupelit, situated in the Samsun province of Turkey.

**Genus:** *Calopteryx* Leach, 1815

**Species:** *Calopteryx splendens* (Harris, 1782)

**Material Examined:** 16.06.2003 1♂; 07.07.2003 1♂, 1♀; 24.07.2003 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Adiyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Ağrı, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bartın, Bilecik, Bitlis, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çorum, Denizli, Diyarbakır, Edirne, Elazığ, Erzincan, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Gaziantep, Giresun, Gümüşhane, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kars, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Konya, Kütahya, Malatya, Manisa, Mersin, Muğla, Nevşehir, Ordu, Sakarya, Samsun, Sivas, Şanlıurfa, Tekirdağ, Trabzon, Yozgat, and Zonguldak (Morton, 1915; Longfield, 1932; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997; Salur and Kiyak, 2000b, 2006; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004b).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Europe, Bulgaria, Greece, Asia Minor, North Africa, and southern Scandinavia (Beschovski, 1964; Asahina, 1973; Steinmann, 1997a; Van Pelt, 1999).

**Species:** *Calopteryx virgo festiva* (Brulle, 1832)

**Material Examined:** 24.06.2002 2♀; 08.07.2002 1♂, 2♀; 02.06.2003 1♂, 2♀; 04.06.2003 1♂; 06.06.2003 2♂, 2♀; 09.06.2003 1♂, 1♀; 10.06.2003 2♂; 16.06.2003 4♂, 6♀; 09.07.2003 4♂, 2♀; 11.07.2003 4♂, 4♀; 21.07.2003 1♂; 24.07.2003

3♂, 3♀; 28.07.2003 1♀; 06.08.2003 3♂, 4♀; 08.08.2003 1♂; 15.08.2003 1♂, 1♀; 19.08.2003 4♀; 22.08.2003 1♀; 28.08.2003 2♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bilecik, Bingöl, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Denizli, Edirne, Erzincan, Eskişehir, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Karabük, Kastamonu, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kütahya, Malatya, Mersin, Muğla, Ordu, Rize, Sakarya, Samsun, Tekirdağ, Trabzon, and Zonguldak (Morton, 1915; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2006).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Europe, Greece, Asia Minor, and Turkestan (Demirsoy, 1982; Steinmann, 1997a).

**Family:** Euphaeidae

**Genus:** *Epallage* Charpentier, 1840

**Species:** *Epallage fatime* (Charpentier, 1840)

**Material Examined:** 28.05.2003 1♀; 11.06.2003 1♂; 07.07.2003 2♂, 1♀; 09.07.2003 1♀; 11.07.2003 1♂; 21.07.2003 2♂; 08.08.2003 1♂; 22.08.2003 1♂; 08.07.2004 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Adiyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Ağrı, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Balıkesir, Bilecik, Bingöl, Bitlis, Bursa, Denizli, Elazığ, Eskişehir, Erzincan, Erzurum, Gaziantep, Giresun, Hatay, İstanbul, Kahramanmaraş, Kars, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kilis, Konya, Kütahya, Malatya, Manisa, Mardin, Mersin, Muğla, Ordu,

Osmaniye, Sakarya, Samsun, Şanlıurfa, and Trabzon (Schneider, 1845; Selys, 1887; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Schneider, 1985; Dumont et al., 1988; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997; Salur and Kiyak, 2000b, 2006; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004).

**Worldwide Distribution:** From Kashmir to south-central Europe, Bulgaria, Greece, Turkey, Iraq, and Syria (Asahina, 1973; Schneider, 1981; Beschovski, 1989; Steinmann, 1997a; Van Pelt, 1999; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Family:** Lestidae

**Genus:** *Lestes* Leach, 1815

**Species:** *Lestes parvidens* Artobolewski, 1929

**Material Examined:** 25.10.2002 1♂, 1♀; 28.08.2003 4♂, 3♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Aydın, Çanakkale, Edirne, Eskişehir, Hakkari, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kars, Kırklareli, Konya, Manisa, Mardin, Mersin, Muğla, Osmaniye, Samsun, Tekirdağ, and Van (Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Dumont et al., 1988; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2006).

**Worldwide Distribution:** From Crimea to Cyprus, Caucasia, Anatolia, and the Levant (Dumont, 1991; Demirsoy, 1995; Steinmann, 1997a).

**Family:** Coenagrionidae

**Genus:** *Coenagrion* Kirby, 1890

**Species:** *Coenagrion puella* (Linnaeus, 1758)

**Material Examined:** 10.05.2002 1♂, 1♀; 17.05.2002 9♂, 2♀; 26.05.2002 2♀; 30.05.2002 3♀; 17.06.2002 7♂, 5♀; 24.06.2002 7♂, 5♀; 08.07.2002 1♂; 15.05.2003 2♂; 22.05.2003 4♂, 1♀; 23.05.2003 1♂, 1♀; 02.06.2003 4♂; 06.06.2003 6♂; 09.06.2003 1♂, 1♀; 10.06.2003 2♂, 1♀; 16.06.2003 6♂; 09.07.2003 1♂; 11.07.2003 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Afyonkarahisar, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Bingöl, Bolu, Çankırı, Çorum, Edirne, Elazığ, Erzurum, Giresun, Isparta, İstanbul, Kahramanmaraş, Kars, Kastamonu, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kütahya, Ordu, Rize, Sakarya, Samsun, Tekirdağ, Van, Yozgat, and Zonguldak (Morton, 1915; Demirsoy, 1995; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2000b, 2006; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Europe (except Iceland), Bulgaria, Greece, Turkey, western Asia, North Africa, Iran, Syria (Asahina, 1973; Schneider, 1981; Beschovski, 1989; Steinmann, 1997a; Van Pelt, 1999; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Species:** *Coenagrion scitulum* (Rambur, 1842)

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Afyonkarahisar, Ankara, Antalya, Bolu, Çorum, Edirne, Isparta, İstanbul, Kırklareli, Mersin, Muğla, Van, and Yozgat (Morton, 1915; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1995; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Mediterranean region of Europe, Asia Minor, North Africa, Algeria, and extending from Spain and Morocco to the Middle East (Askew, 1988; Steinmann, 1997a).

**Genus:** *Enallagma* Charpentier, 1840

**Species:** *Enallagma cyathigerum* (Charpentier, 1840)

**Material Examined:** 23.05.2003 1♀; 29.07.2003 1♂, 2♀; 08.07.04 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Afyonkarahisar, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Balıkesir, Bitlis, Bolu, Burdur, Çankırı, Çorum, Edirne, Elazığ, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Gümüşhane, Hatay, Isparta, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kars, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Konya, Malatya, Mersin, Muğla, Niğde, Ordu, Samsun, Van, and Yozgat (Morton, 1914; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1995; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004b; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Palaearctic region, Europe, Asia, and North America (Askew, 1988; Steinmann, 1997a).

**Genus:** *Ischnura* Charpentier, 1840

**Species:** *Ischnura elegans ebneri* Schmidt, 1938

**Material Examined:** 02.06.2003 2♂, 1♀; 05.06.2003 1♂, 1♀; 11.07.2003 1♂; 21.07.2003 9♂, 4♀; 29.07.2003 4♂, 2♀; 08.08.2003 4♂, 3♀; 22.08.2003 4♂, 4♀; 26.09.2003 1♂, 08.07.2004 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Adıyaman, Ağrı, Antalya, Aydın, Burdur, Bursa, Denizli, Diyarbakır, Edirne, Gaziantep, Hatay, Isparta, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Kocaeli, Konya, Mersin, Niğde, Osmaniye, Sivas, and Şanlıurfa (Dumont,

1977; Schneider, 1985; Dumont et al., 1988; Demirsoy, 1995; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2006).

**Worldwide Distribution:** South and central Anatolia, the Levant, Turkey, and Crete. (Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997a; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Family:** Platycnemididae

**Genus:** *Playcnemis* Charpentier, 1840

**Species:** *Platycnemis pennipes* (Pallas, 1771)

**Material Examined:** 23.05.2003 29♀; 24.05.2002 5♀; 26.05.2003 4♀; 30.05.2003 2♂, 4♀; 24.06.2003 3♂, 4♀; 08.07.2003 6♂, 2♀; 02.06.2003 4♂, 3♀; 03.06.2003 3♂, 2♀; 06.06.2003 5♂; 10.06.2003 4♂, 3♀; 16.06.2003 3♂; 07.07.2003 1♀; 09.07.2003 6♂, 2♀; 11.07.2003 8♂, 5♀; 21.07.2003 3♂, 1♀; 24.07.2003 3♂, 4♀; 29.07.2003 2♂; 06.08.2003 6♂, 1♀; 08.08.2003 3♂, 1♀; 15.08.2003 4♂, 3♀; 19.08.2003 1♂, 2♀; 22.08.2003 2♂; 28.08.2003 2♂, 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Afyonkarahisar, Ağrı, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Balıkesir, Bartın, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çankırı, Çorum, Denizli, Edirne, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kars, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Kocaeli, Konya, Kütahya, Malatya, Manisa, Mardin, Mersin, Muğla, Ordu, Osmaniye, Rize, Sakarya, Samsun, Sivas, Tekirdağ, Trabzon, Yozgat, and Zonguldak (Morton, 1915; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2000b, 2006; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Europe, Bulgaria, Greece, western Asia, Turkey, Iraq (Beschovski, 1964; Asahina, 1973; Demirsoy, 1982; Steinmann, 1997a; Van Pelt, 1999; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Suborder:** Anisoptera

**Family:** Aeshnidae

**Genus:** *Aeshna* Fabricius, 1775

**Species:** *Aeshna affinis* Van Der Linden, 1823

**Material Examined:** 09.07.2004 1♂

**Distribution in Turkey:** Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Balıkesir, Bolu, Çanakkale, Denizli, Edirne, Elazığ,

Erzurum, Isparta, Kahramanmaraş, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Konya, Malatya, Manisa, Muğla, Sakarya, and Tekirdağ (Longfield, 1932; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2007; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Southern Europe, North Africa, Asia Minor, and the Middle East to China (Askew, 1988; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Species:** *Aeshna isosceles antehumeralis* (Schmidt, 1954)

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 1♀; 09.07.2004 1♂; 01.06.2005 2♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Antalya, Artvin, Aydın, Burdur, Çorum, Denizli, Hatay, Isparta, Kırklareli, Muğla, Trabzon, and Zonguldak (Selys, 1887; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1995; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2007; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Caucasus, Turkey, Anatolia, Iran, and Greece (Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Species:** *Aeshna mixta* Latreille, 1805

**Material Examined:** 30.10.2002 1♂; 09.07.2004 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Afyonkarahisar, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Burdur, Edirne, Erzincan, Erzurum, Gaziantep, İstanbul, Kastamonu, Kayseri, Kırşehir, Mersin, Muğla, Niğde, Ordu, Rize, Samsun, Tekirdağ, and Trabzon (Selys, 1887; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2007; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004b; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Palaearctic subregion, Europe, Asia Minor and Central Asia, reaching Kashmir in the east, and North Africa (Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Genus:** *Anax* Leach, 1815

**Species:** *Anax imperator* Leach, 1815

**Material Examined:** 11.06.2002 1♂; 24.06.2002 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Afyonkarahisar, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Aydın, Bolu, Burdur, Çorum, Denizli, Edirne, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Hatay,

Isparta, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Kilis, Malatya, Manisa, Muğla, Ordu, Sakarya, Samsun, and Zonguldak (Dumont, 1977; Dumont et al., 1988; Demirsoy, 1995; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2006, 2007; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Tropical and subtropical Africa, North Africa, Madagascar, Europe (except Scotland, Denmark, Norway, Finland, and North Russia), Asia Minor, western Asia, the Middle East, Uzbekistan, and Pakistan (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Species:** *Anax parthenope* (Selys, 1839)

**Material Examined:** 09.07.2004 1♂; 27.05.2005 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Adiyaman, Akyonkarahisar, Antalya, Bitlis, Burdur, Bursa, Çanakkale, Denizli, Edirne, Elazığ, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Gaziantep, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, Kahramanmaraş, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Konya, Malatya, Mersin, Muğla, Niğde, Ordu, Osmaniye, Şanlıurfa, and Zonguldak (Dumont, 1977; Schneider, 1985; Dumont et al., 1988; Demirsoy, 1995; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2006, 2007; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Western Palaearctic subregion, equatorial Africa, from the Atlantic (including the Canary Islands) to the Pacific, the Middle East, Asia Minor, east through the Caucasus to Kashmir, Pakistan, China, Japan (Hokkaido), and Israel (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Genus:** *Caliaeschna* Selys, 1883

**Species:** *Caliaeschna microstigma* (Schneider, 1845)

**Material Examined:** 24.06.2002 1♂; 08.07.2004 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Balıkesir, Bolu, Burdur, Denizli, Elazığ, Erzincan, Erzurum, Giresun, Gümüşhane, Hakkari, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, Kahramanmaraş, Kastamonu, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Konya, Kütahya, Malatya, Mersin, Muğla, Osmaniye, Ordu, Rize, Sakarya, Samsun, Siirt, Sivas, and Trabzon (Selys, 1887; Morton, 1915; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Dumont et al., 1988; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997;

Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2006, 2007; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Serbia (Kosovo), Albania, Cyprus, Greece, Yugoslavia, Turkey, Asia Minor, and Israel (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Genus:** *Hemianax* Selys, 1883

**Species:** *Hemianax ephippiger* (Burmeister, 1839)

**Material Examined:** 30.05.2005 2♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Amasya, Antalya, Artvin, Aydın, Edirne, Elazığ, Gaziantep, Hatay, İstanbul, Kırklareli, Mersin, Rize, Sinop, and Trabzon (Selys, 1887; Demirsoy, 1995; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2006, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** From Turkestan and India to South Africa and Madagascar, the Seychelles, and south-central Europe (Steinmann, 1997b).

**Family:** Gomphidae

**Genus:** *Onychogomphus* Selys, 1854

**Species:** *Onychogomphus forcipatus albostriatus* Schmidt, 1954

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 1♂; 09.07.2004 1♂, 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Çankırı, Denizli, Erzurum, Hatay, Isparta, İzmir, Kayseri, Kırşehir, Kütahya, Konya, Mardin, Muğla, Ordu, Sakarya, and Samsun (St-Quentin, 1965; Dumont, 1977; Dumont et al., 1988; Demirsoy, 1995; Kalkman et al., 2004a; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2006, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Turkey (Steinmann, 1997b; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Family:** Cordulegasteridae

**Genus:** *Cordulegaster* Leach, 1815

**Species:** *Cordulegaster picta* Selys, 1854

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 2♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Amasya, Ankara, Balıkesir, Bolu, Bursa, Çankırı, Denizli, Edirne, Eskişehir, Hakkari, İstanbul, Kastamonu, Kırklareli, Kütahya, Muğla, Sakarya, and Samsun (Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1995;

Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** The southern Caucasus, the Black Sea coast of Turkey, Greece, Yugoslavia, and Italy (Askew, 1988; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Family: Libellulidae**

**Genus:** *Crocothemis* Brauer, 1868

**Species:** *Crocothemis erythraea* (Brulle, 1832)

**Material Examined:** 09.07.2004 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Adiyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Aydın, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çorum, Denizli, Diyarbakır, Edirne, Elazığ, Erzincan, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Gaziantep, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Kocaeli, Konya, Kütahya, Malatya, Mersin, Muğla, Osmaniye, Ordu, Rize, Samsun, Siirt, Şanlıurfa, Tekirdağ, and Trabzon (Selys, 1887; Morton, 1915; Dumont, 1977; Schneider, 1985; Dumont et al., 1988; Demirsoy, 1995; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2006, 2007; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004b; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** The Mediterranean subregion, Oman to Assam, western and central Asia, the Middle East, Israel, Asia Minor, the Ethiopian region, Madagascar, tropical and North Africa, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Pakistan, Tadzhikistan, and Afghanistan (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Genus:** *Libellula* Linnaeus, 1758

**Species:** *Libellula depressa* Linnaeus, 1758

**Material Examined:** 11.06.2002 1♀; 08.07.2002 1♂; 01.06.2005 1♂, 1♀; 06.05.2005 1♀; 20.05.2005 1♂; 27.05.2005 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adiyaman, Ağrı, Ankara, Antalya, Amasya, Artvin, Balıkesir, Bingöl, Bitlis, Bolu, Çankırı, Çorum, Denizli, Edirne, Erzincan, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Giresun, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, Kahramanmaraş, Kars, Kastamonu, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Konya, Kütahya, Mardin, Muğla, Niğde, Ordu, Sakarya, Sivas, Tekirdağ, Trabzon, Tunceli, Van, Yozgat, and Zonguldak (Selys, 1887; Morton, 1914, 1915; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Dumont et al., 1988; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2006, 2007; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b;

Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Europe (except northern England, with Ireland and northern Europe), Asia Minor, western Asia, Syria, and Lebanon (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Species:** *Libellula fulva* Müller, 1764

**Material Examined:** 11.06.2002 1♂; 08.07.2004 1♂; 30.05.2005 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Afyonkarahisar, Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Burdur, Edirne, Kırklareli, Konya, Malatya, Mersin, Muğla, and Ordu (Demirsoy, 1982; Hacet and Aktaç, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2006, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Russia to Spain, the Middle East, Turkey, and Asia Minor (Askew, 1988; Steinmann, 1997b; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Genus:** *Orthetrum* Newman, 1833

**Species:** *Orthetrum albistylum* (Selys, 1848)

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 1♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Amasya, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bursa, Çanakkale, Edirne, Isparta, İstanbul, Kırklareli, Kocaeli, Konya, Ordu, Rize, Samsun, and Siirt (Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Central and western Asia, Turkey, Asia Minor, Europe (France, the Alps, the Balkans to Caucasus, Austria, Hungary, and Romania), and southern Russia (Askew, 1988; Steinmann, 1997b; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Species:** *Orthetrum brunneum* (Fonscolombe, 1837)

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 2♂, 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Adiyaman, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bitlis, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çorum, Denizli, Diyarbakır, Edirne, Elazığ, Erzincan, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Gaziantep, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Kocaeli, Konya, Kütahya, Malatya, Mardin, Mersin, Muğla, Ordu, Osmaniye, Sakarya, Sivas, Siirt, Şanlıurfa, Tekirdağ, Van, Yozgat, and Zonguldak (Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Dumont et al., 1988; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2006, 2007; Kalkman et

al., 2004a, 2004b; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Palaearctic subregion, found all around the Mediterranean Sea, North Africa, western and central Europe, and the Balkans (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Species:** *Orthetrum cancellatum* (Linnaeus, 1758)

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 2♂, 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Adiyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Aydin, Bitlis, Bolu, Burdur, Çorum, Denizli, Edirne, Elazığ, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Kilis, Konya, Mersin, Muğla, Rize, Samsun, and Tekirdağ, Van (Morton, 1915; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Dumont et al., 1988; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2006, 2007; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Palaearctic subregion (except northern Britain, northern Scandinavia, and northern Russia), the Middle East, and North Africa (Askew, 1988; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Genus:** *Sympetrum* Newman, 1833

**Species:** *Sympetrum meridionale* (Selys, 1841)

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 1♂, 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Afyonkarahisar, Aksaray, Ankara, Antalya, Balıkesir, Bitlis, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Çanakkale, Denizli, Edirne, Erzurum, Hatay, Isparta İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Malatya, Mardin, Mersin, Muğla, Niğde, Osmaniye, Samsun, Sivas, Tekirdağ, and Zonguldak (Selys, 1887; Morton, 1915; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Schneider, 1985; Dumont et al., 1988; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2007; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Salur and Özsaraç, 2004; Van Pelt, 2004).

**Worldwide Distribution:** Central, western, and southern Europe to Siberia, Asia Minor, Morocco to Tunisia, Spain, France, Italy, the Balkans, the Mediterranean islands, and Israel (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b).

**Species:** *Sympetrum sanguineum* (Müller, 1764)

**Material Examined:** 08.07.2004 1♂; 09.07.2004 2♂.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Afyonkarahisar, Amasya, Ardahan, Artvin, Balıkesir, Bitlis, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Çankırı, Çorum, Denizli, Edirne, Elazığ, Erzurum, Gümüşhane, Hakkari, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kırklareli, Kırşehir, Kocaeli, Konya, Manisa, Mersin, Muğla, Ordu, Samsun, Şanlıurfa, and Tekirdağ (Selys, 1887; Longfield, 1932; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2006; Salur and Mesci, 2007).

**Worldwide Distribution:** North Africa, Algeria, Europe (except northern England, Scandinavia, and Russia) Tunisia, Europe to central Asia, Turkey, and Israel (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b; Kalkman et al., 2003).

**Species:** *Sympetrum striolatum* (Charpentier, 1840)

**Material Examined:** 30.10.2002 2♂, 7♀; 09.07.2004 1♀.

**Distribution in Turkey:** Adana, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Artvin, Aydin, Balıkesir, Bitlis, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Denizli, Edirne, Erzincan, Erzurum, Gaziantep, Hatay, Isparta, İstanbul, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kastamonu, Kırklareli, Konya, Kütahya, Malatya, Mardin, Mersin, Muğla, Osmaniye, Rize, Samsun, Sivas, Tekirdağ, Van, and Yozgat (Selys, 1887; Morton, 1914; Dumont, 1977; Demirsoy, 1982, 1995; Dumont et al., 1988; Ardiç and Uygun, 1996; Hacet and Aktaç, 1997, 2004; Salur and Kiyak, 2000a, 2007; Kalkman et al., 2004a, 2004b; Van Pelt, 2004).

**Worldwide Distribution:** North Africa, Europe (except northern Scandinavia), Turkey, Asia Minor, and western Asia, (Askew, 1988; Dumont, 1991; Steinmann, 1997b; Kalkman et al., 2003).

## Discussion and Conclusion

In this study, 27 taxa from 17 genera belonging to 9 families were identified, 9 of which are new records for the Odonata fauna of Samsun.

In Turkey some groups of Odonata have taxonomic problems, which have not yet been clarified. In particular, there are some taxonomic problems in the genus *Calopteryx*. The exact taxonomic status, recognition, and distribution of various subspecies of *Calopteryx splendens* in this genus are not clear. Specimens of *C. splendens* from Samsun province were reported by Van Pelt (2004)

as *C. s. amasina*. Material collected from the present study area was compared to descriptions given for the subspecies *amasina* by Beschovski (1994) and Demirsoy (1995). Although the subspecies *amasina* is recorded from Samsun province, the wing spots of our male specimens did not match the wing features of the subspecies *amasina*. As a consequence, the present material is listed here at species level.

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