

A CHECK LIST OF MARINE AMPHIPODS OF PAKISTAN

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Abstract

Seventy species of amphipods belonging to twenty nine families have been recorded from the Pakistan coast as indicated by literature survey and new collections. Among the new collections, 4 species are indetermined and fourteen species are reported from Pakistan for the first time. In the present paper an annotated checklist is given, indicating the original source of the record and any new records for the area..

Introduction

The Amphipoda is an order that includes over 7,000 described species of small shrimp-like crustaceans. The amphipods are ecologically important, and as a component of benthic infaunal communities are a primary food resource for marine invertebrates, fish and bird species of the world.

Few reports on the taxonomy of the amphipods are available from Pakistan. However, there are some studies based on material from Pakistani waters which are included in the present list. Barnard (1937) reports 28 species; Nair (1977 & 1992) reported 1 and 2 species respectively; Ahmed (1976) reported 12 species from Karachi coast; Javed (1983; 1987) recorded two species from the northern Arabian sea; Nair and Jayalakshmy (1992) reported 3 species; Nayeem *et al.* (1993) reported 5 species from Pakistani waters. Kazmi (1994; 1995) reported two species. Kazmi and Bano (2003) reported one species. Bano and Kazmi (2004; 2005, 2008a, 2008b, 2010) described a new species and added two species..

The present report adds 18 species to the Pakistan faunal list. 14 are new records, and 4 indetermined species, given here as "sp.". These may turn out to be new to science and as such will be dealt in separate papers. New records are marked with an asterisk,

The new amphipod collections were obtained both from Sindh and Makran regions of the Pakistan coast from intertidal to subtidal zones. For classification Martin and Davis (2001) is followed, and the list is arranged in alphabetical order by family. The authorities of the taxa are not explained in the references given at the end.

Check List of Order Amphipoda Latreille, 1816

Name of species

Suborder Gammaridea Latreille, 1802

1. Family Ampeliscidae, Costa, 1857
Genus *Ampelisca* Krøyer, 1842
*A. brevicornis** (Costa, 1853)
Genus *Byblis* Boeck, 1871
Byblis sp.
B. lepta (Giles, 1888)
Source: Ahmed, 1976
2. Family Ampithoidae Stebbing, 1899
Genus *Ampithoe* Leach, 1814
Ampithoe sp.
*A. hirsute** Ledoyer, 1978
A. ramondi Audouin, 1828
Source: Kazmi & Bano, 2003
*A. spuria** Krapp-Schickel 1978
Genus *Cymadusa* Savigny, 1816
Cymadusa sp.
C. filosa Savigny, 1816
Source: Ahmed, 1976 (as *Grubia filosa*);
Javed, 1983
3. Family Aoridae Walker, 1904
Genus *Grandidierella* Coutiere, 1904
G. trispinosa Bano & Kazmi, 2010
Source: Bano & Kazmi, 2010
4. Family Corophidae Leach, 1814
Genus *Apocorophium* Bousfield & Hoover, 1997
*A. acutum** (Chevreux, 1908)
Genus *Cerapus*, Say, 1817
*C. tubularis** Say, 1817
Genus *Hirayamia* Bluefield & Hoover, 1997
H. tirmiziae Bano & Kazmi, 2008
Source: Bano & Kazmi, 2008
Genus *Monocorophium* Bousfield & Hoover, 1997
*M. insidiosum** (Crawford, 1937)
M. acherusicum (Costa, 1851)
Source: Ahmed, 1976 (as *Corophium acherusicum*)

5. Family Cyphocarididae Lowry & Stoddart, 1997
Genus *Cyphocaris* Boeck, 1871
C. faurei Barnard, 1916
Source: Barnard, 1937
6. Family Hyalidae Bulycheva, 1957
Genus *Parhyale* Stebbing, 1897
P. hawaiiensis (Dana, 1853)
Source: Ahmed, 1976 as (*Hyalae hawaiiensis*)
7. Family Isaeidae Dana, 1853
Genus *Cheiriphotis* Walker, 1904
*C. megacheles** (Giles, 1885)
Genus *Photis* Krøyer, 1842
P. longicaudata (Bate & Westwood, 1862)
Source: Ahmed, 1976
8. Family Ischyroceridae Stebbing, 1899
Genus *Erichthonius* Milne-Edwards, 1830
E. brasiliensis (Dana, 1853)
Source: Ahmed, 1976 (as *Podoceros brasiliensis*);
Kazmi, 1995
Genus *Jassa* Leach, 1814
*J. falcata** (Montagu, 1808)
9. Family Leucothoidae Dana, 1852
Genus *Leucothoe* Leach, 1814
L. furina (Savigny, 1817)
Source: Kazmi, 1994
L. spinicarpa (Abildgaard, 1789)
Source: Ahmed, 1976
10. Family Lysianassidae Dana, 1849
Genus *Shoemakerella* Pirlot, 1936
S. nasuta Dana, 1853
Source: Ahmed, 1976
11. Family Melitidae Bousfield, 1977
Genus *Elasmopus* Costa, 1853
E. pectinicus (Bate, 1862)
Source: Ahmed, 1976
E. japonicus Stephenson, 1937
Source: Javed, 1987
Genus *Melita* Leach, 1814
Melita sp.
Genus *Quadrivisio* Stebbing, 1907
Q. bengalensis Stebbing, 1907
Source: Ahmed, 1976
12. Family Podoceridae Leach, 1814
Genus *Laetmatophilus* Brazelius, 1859
L. paradurbanensis Bano & Kazmi, 2004
Source: Bano & Kazmi, 2004
13. Family Stenothoidae Boeck, 1871
Genus *Stenothoe* Dana, 1852
*S. gallensis**
Source: Walker, 1904
14. Family Synopiidae Dana, 1853
Genus *Ilerastroe* Barnard, 1972
*I. ilergetes** (Barnard, 1964)
Genus *Synopia* Dana, 1852
S. ultramarina Dana, 1852
Source: Barnard, 1937
15. Family Talitridae Rafinesque, 1815
Genus *Talorchestia* Dana, 1853
*T. deshayesi** (Audouin, 1826)
T. martensi (Weber, 1795)
Source: Ahmed, 1976
16. Family Urothoidae Bousfield, 1978
Genus *Urothoe* Dana, 1852
*U. grimaldi** Chevreux, 1895
U. spinidigitus Walker, 1904
Source: Ahmed, 1976
- Suborder Caprellidea Leach, 1814**
1. Family Pariambidae Laubitz, 1993
Genus *Hemiaegina* Mayer, 1890
*H. minuta** Mayer, 1890
- Suborder Hyperiidea Milne-edwards, 1830**
1. Family Hyperiidae Dana, 1853
Genus *Hyperia* Latreille, 1823
H. promontorii Stebbing, 1888
Source: Barnard, 1937
Genus *Phronimopsis* Clause, 1879
*P. spinifera** Clause, 1879
Genus *Themistella* Bovallius, 1887
*T. fusca** (Dana, 1853)
2. Family Lanceolidae Bovallius, 1887
Genus *Lanceola* Say, 1818
L. sayana Bovallius, 1885
Source: Barnard, 1937
3. Family Lycaeidae Claus, 1879
Genus *Brachyscelus* Bate, 1861
B. globiceps (Claus, 1879)
Source: Barnard, 1937
Genus *Euthamneus* Bovallius, 1890
E. platyrhynchus (Stebbing, 1888)
Source: Barnard, 1937(as *Thamneus platyrhynchus*)
Genus *Lycaea* Dana, 1852
L. pulex Marion, 1874
Source: Barnard, 1937
4. Family Oxycephalidae Dana, 1853
Genus *Leptocotis* Streets, 1878
L. tenuirostris (Claus, 1887)
Source: Barnard, 1937
Genus *Oxycephalus* Milne-Edwards, 1840
O. clause Bovallius, 1890

- Source: Nair, 1992; Nayeem *et al*, 1993
O. piscator Milne-Edwards, 1840
 Source: Nayeem *et al*, 1993
 Genus *Rhabdosoma* White, 1847
R. armatum (H. Milne Edwards, 1840)
 Source: Nair & Jayalakshmy, 1992
R. brevicaudatum Stebbing, 1888
 Source: Nair & Jayalakshmy, 1992
R. whitei Bate, 1862
 Source: Barnard, 1937
 Genus *Simorhynchotus* Stebbing, 1888
S. antennarius (Claus, 1871)
 Source: Barnard, 1937; Nair & Jayalakshmy, 1992
 Genus *Streetsia* Stebbing, 1888
S. challengeri Stebbing, 1888
 Source: Barnard, 1937; Nayeem *et al*, 1993
S. mindanaonis (Stebbing, 1888)
 Source: Nayeem *et al*, 1993
S. porcellus (Claus, 1879)
 Source: Barnard, 1937
 Genus *Tulbergella* Bovallius, 1887
T. cuspidate Bovallius, 1887
 Source: Nayeem *et al*, 1993
5. Family Paraphronimidae Bovallius, 1887
 Genus *Paraphronima* Claus, 1879
P. crassipes Claus, 1879
 Source: Nair, 1977
P. gracilis Claus, 1879
 Source: Barnard, 1937; Nair, 1977
6. Family Parascalidae Bate, 1862
 Genus *Thyropus* Dana, 1852
T. sphaeroma Claus, 1879
 Source: Barnard, 1937
7. Family Phronimidae Rafinesque, 1815
 Genus *Phronima* Latreille, 1802
P. atlantica Guérin, 1836
 Source: Barnard, 1937
P. colletti Bovallius, 1887
 Source: Barnard, 1937; Bano & Kazmi, 2005
P. sedentaria Barnard, 1937
- Source: Barnard, 1937
 Genus *Phronimella* Claus, 1872
P. elongata (Claus, 1862)
 Source: Barnard, 1937
8. Family Phrosinidae Dana, 1853
 Genus *Anchylomera* Milne-Edwards, 1830
A. blossevilli Milne-Edwards, 1830
 Source: Barnard, 1937
 Genus *Phrosina* Risso, 1822
P. semilunata Risso, 1822
 Source: Barnard, 1937; Bano & Kazmi, 2008
9. Family Platyscelidae Bate, 1862
 Genus *Amphithyrus* Claus, 1879
A. bispinosus Claus, 1879
 Source: Barnard, 1937
 Genus *Hemityphis* Claus, 1879
H. crustulum Claus, 1879
 Source: Barnard, 1937
 Genus *Tetrathyrus* Claus, 1879
T. forcipatus Claus, 1879
 Source: Barnard, 1937
10. Family Pronoidae Dana, 1853
 Genus *Eupronoë* Claus, 1879
E. maculata Claus, 1879
 Source: Barnard, 1937
 Genus *Parapronoe* Claus, 1879
P. parva Claus, 1879
 Source: Barnard, 1937 (as *Sympronoe parva*)
11. Family Scinidae Stebbing, 1888
 Genus *Scina* Prestandrea, 1833
S. marginata (Bovallius, 1885)
 Source: Barnard, 1937
12. Family Vibiliidae Dana, 1853
 Genus *Vibilia* M. Edwards, 1830
V. armata Bovallius, 1887
 Source: Barnard, 1937
V. pyripes Bovallius, 1887
 Source: Barnard, 1937

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