

Systematics and bioacoustics of the *Poecilimon sanctipauli*-group (Orthoptera: Tettigonioidea: Phaneropteridae)

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Abstract. In this paper a combination of characters by which *Poecilimon* species (Orthoptera: Tettigonioidea: Phaneropteridae) can be recognised as members of the *P. sanctipauli* group are described. Most important are the wide fastigium, short ovipositor and song characters. The morphological characters are figured and described (Table 1), and the song patterns illustrated by oscillograms. The proposed phylogenetic relationships of the members of this group are written as [*P. mytilenensis* (*P. pulcher*, *P. lodosi*, *P. sanctipauli*)]. All species of the group are known from southwest Turkey and some east Aegean islands. The three species *P. pulcher*, *P. lodosi* and *P. sanctipauli* are morphologically and bioacoustically quite similar. *P. sanctipauli* and *P. pulcher* are distinct species, *P. lodosi*, however, possesses a combination of the key characters of the other two species. It may be a relict species or, in our opinion more probably, a species of hybrid origin.

INTRODUCTION

The genus *Poecilimon* is one of the most species-rich genera of Orthoptera in the Palearctic. Like the other members of the subfamily Barbitistinae all species are micropterous and unable to fly. This fact is certainly in part responsible for the high number of species. The phylogenetic relationships within this huge genus (about 120 species), however, are not well understood. Ramme (1933) published the first revision of *Poecilimon*, establishing 8 groups for the 68 species known at that time. However, he made no attempt to clarify the relationships between the groups and between the species within the groups. Bey-Bienko (1954) recognized 73 species in this genus and presented a key and detailed re-descriptions of especially the Russian and Anatolian species. Because he stated that Ramme's groups were largely artificial, he abandoned the attempt to divide the genus into groups. Thirty years later, Heller (1984a) presented a cladogram of the relationships of 35 European forms using apomorphic characters. For a better understanding of the evolution of the genus, however, knowledge of the phylogenetic position of more of the species is necessary. In addition to conventional morphological characters it is now appreciated that bioacoustic data can help clarify the relationships of species and subspecies. Besides characters of the song pattern the structures used for sound production (male stridulatory file, size of female tegmina) and for hearing (size of prothoracic auditory spiracles) are also important for the identification and grouping of species (Heller, 1984a, 1988; Willemse & Heller, 1992; Heller & Lehmann, 2004).

Because of the large number of species involved, we concentrate on identifying and studying small monophyletic groups and clarifying the relationships of the species

within these groups (e.g. Lehmann, 1998; Heller & Lehmann, 2004).

In the present paper we focus on a small group of species near *P. sanctipauli* Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1878. Ramme (1933) placed this species in a subgroup of his group V together with *P. pulcher* and *P. mytilenensis*. *P. lodosi*, described by Harz (1975), also belongs to this group (see below). All species of this group are known from southwest Turkey and some east Aegean islands.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

We have studied specimens preserved in the following collections: AZME – Ankara Zirai Mücadele Enstitüsü, Ankara, Turkey; CH (followed by the specimen code) – Collectio Heller; HUZOM – Hacettepe Üniversitesi Zooloji Müzesi, Ankara, Turkey; MIZT – Italy, Museo ed Istituto di Zoologica sistematica della Universitata di Torino. Other material is deposited in MZAA – Michigan University Museum of Zoology, Ann Arbor, USA; MHNG – Muséum d'Histoire Naturelle, Genève, Switzerland; NHMW – Naturhistorisches Museum, Vienna, Austria; ZMHB – Museum für Naturkunde der Humboldt-Universität, Berlin, Germany; ZMUH – Zoologisches Museum Universität Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany.

At DORSA the localities (except some from Turkey) of all specimens in CH can be visualised by a web-based GIS mapping tool (including lat/long data). At SysTax the digitised sound recordings of many specimens are available.

Morphological structures were examined and measured using an Olympus stereomicroscope. For sound recording in the field an Uher tape recorder 4200 IC with a Uher M645 microphone was used (frequency response flat up to 20 kHz), in the laboratory a Racal store 4 D tape recorder with Brüel & Kjaer 4133 and 4135 microphones (frequency response flat up to 40 resp. 70 kHz). Oscillograms and sound analysis were made using a PC and the programs Turbolab (Stemmer AG) and CoolEdit. Wing movements were recorded by an opto-electronic device (Heller, 1988). The stridulatory files were studied using scan-

ning electron microscopes Autoscan, Fa. ETEC SEM, and DSM 960, Fa. Zeiss.

Bioacoustic terminology: Calling song: spontaneous song produced by an isolated male. Syllable: the song produced by one opening-closing movement cycle of the tegmina. Impulse: a simple, undivided, transient train of sound waves generated by the impact of one tooth of the stridulatory file.

RESULTS

Characteristics of the *Poecilimon sanctipauli*-group

From a direct comparison of most European and Anatolian *Poecilimon* species (e.g., Heller, 1984a, 1988; Willemse & Heller, 1992; Heller & Reinhold, 1992; Lehmann, 1998; Sevgili, 2001; Heller & Lehmann, 2004; Heller et al., in press) and the literature, it became evident that a group of species of this genus can be separated and recognised by the following characters:

1. Fastigium wider or as wide as scapus.
2. Relatively short ovipositor (ratio hindfemur to ovipositor above 2).
3. Relatively large to medium body size compared to other *Poecilimon* species.
4. Large prothoracic spiracles.
5. Tegmina of female overlapping, thus females able to respond acoustically.
6. Two-phase stridulatory movement: slow beginning, fast ending.
7. Song consisting of long syllables (ca. 0.1–2 s) containing many (ca. 35–200) impulses.

Members of the *Poecilimon sanctipauli*-group are recognised by a combination of characters [especially (1) and (2)]. None of these characteristics can be considered as a unique autapomorphic character, some are probably even plesiomorphic characters. The evolution of the wide fastigium (1) is difficult to evaluate. The same variation in fastigium width is also found in the closely related genus *Isophya*. In *Poecilimon*, however, a wide fastigium is found only in the *P. sanctipauli* and *P. ornatus/affinis* groups. In addition, there are two small *Poecilimon* species in Turkey, *P. glandifer* Karabag, 1950 and *P. ataturki* Ünal, 1999, with wide fastigia (see Ünal, 2003), but they belong to a group with mute females, possibly the *P. ampliatus* group (Heller & Lehmann, 2004). The *P. sanctipauli* and *P. ornatus/affinis* groups show many similarities, but also distinct differences. One important difference is the length of the ovipositor (2). The ratio hindfemur to ovipositor is always below 2 in the *P. ornatus/affinis* group and above 2 in the *P. sanctipauli* group (data for the *P. ornatus/affinis* group used mean values from Harz, 1969). A short ovipositor, however, is also found in other groups of *Poecilimon*, and its evolution is again difficult to evaluate. It may be an adaptation to climate and change quite fast (see Heller et al., 2004). Body size (3) is another character difficult to assign as either an apomorphic or plesiomorphic state. The characters (4)–(5) are connected with communication and are plesiomorphic characters for the *P. sanctipauli* group and present in a relatively large number of *Poecilimon* species. Stumpner & Heller (1992) give a description of the differences in spiracle size in *Poecilimon* and of the

consequences for hearing. A two-phase stridulatory movement (6) was assumed to be an apomorphic character for a large group of *Poecilimon* species by Heller (1984a). This group includes the *P. ornatus/affinis* and *P. sanctipauli* groups. Most members of both groups share a calling song consisting of syllables with many impulses (7). It may be that the *P. sanctipauli* group is part of the *P. ornatus/affinis* group occurring in the south-east. However, a preliminary DNA study of *Poecilimon lodosi*, a member of the *P. sanctipauli* group, indicates it falls outside the very widely defined *P. ornatus/affinis* group. In any case, the species with the above-mentioned combination of characters belong together.

Distribution. Southwest Anatolia and some Aegean islands (see map: Fig. 10).

Species of the *Poecilimon sanctipauli*-group

1. *Poecilimon sanctipauli* Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1878
2. *Poecilimon pulcher* Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1891
3. *Poecilimon lodosi* Harz, 1975
4. *Poecilimon mytilenensis* Werner, 1932
 - a. *P. mytilenensis mytilenensis* Werner, 1932
 - b. *P. mytilenensis brevissimus* Heller, Willemse & Sevgili, 2005

Poecilimon sanctipauli Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1878

Poecilimon sanctipauli Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1878: 37.

Type locality. Turkey: Izmir, Efes ("Ephesus").

Type depository. NHMW, syntypes (6♂, 7♀; not seen; contrary to the opinion of Otte (1997) and OSF2 no syntype was selected as lectotype).

= *Isophya isidori* Giglio-Tos, 1914: 4.

Type locality. Greece: Rhodos, Ag. Isidhoros.

Type depository. MIZT, holotype ♂ (examined in 1984).

P. sanctipauli: Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1878: 37 (key), 40–41 (description); Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1891: 27 (key); Jacobson, 1905: 332 (key), 362 (description; in Russian); Kirby, 1906: 380 (catalogue); Werner, 1901: 286 (distribution); Giglio-Tos, 1914: 3 (distribution); Werner, 1933: 190 (distribution); Ramme, 1933: 507, 509 (arrangement), 510 (checklist), 535–6 (description); Werner, 1936: 10–11 (distribution); Jannone, 1936: 145 (distribution); Chopard, 1939: (distribution; not seen); Bey-Bienko, 1954: 256 (key), 288–9 (description); Karabag, 1958: 25 (faunistic catalogue); Harz, 1969: 102, 108 (key), 144 (description); Karabag et al., 1971: 77 (distribution); Karabag et al., 1981: 5 (distribution); Willemse, 1982: 156 (checklist), 188 (reference); 1984: 15 (checklist), 41 (reference); 1985: 41 (key), 266 (checklist); Heller, 1984b: 75 (distribution); Heller & Helversen, 1986: 190–194 (acoustic communication); Heller, 1988: 45 (song); Willemse & Heller, 1992: 301 (checklist); Tazegül & Önder, 1995: 3 (distribution); Otte, 1997: 125 (catalogue); Heller et al., 1998: 30 (checklist); Ünal, 1999: 244 (distribution); Önder et al., 1999: 247 (distribution); Naskrecki & Otte, 1999: (catalogue); Çiplak et al., 1999: 752 (checklist, distribution); Çiplak et al., 2002: 685 (checklist, distribution).

Databanks: DORSA, SysTax, OSF2.

Isophya isidori: Giglio-Tos 1914: 4 (description); Ramme, 1951: 137 (not to *Isophya*); Harz, 1969: 740 (species incertae sedis); Willemse, 1984: 30 (reference); Heller, 1984b: 75 (syn. of *P. sanctipauli*); Willemse 1985: 10 (as syn. of *P. sanctipauli*); Heller 1988: 45 (as syn of *P. sanctipauli*); Otte 1997: 126 (as syn of *P. sanctipauli*; catalogue); Naskrecki & Otte 1999: (as syn of *P. sanctipauli*; catalogue)

Diagnosis/description. See Table 1–2 and Figs 1–4.

Song. The calling song of the male consists of isolated syllables produced at intervals of several seconds. Each syllable consists of two separate impulse groups. The first long and crescending syllable results from the slow closing movement of the tegmina at the beginning, the

second much shorter one from the fast final closure at the end of the movement cycle (Fig. 8; see also Heller & Helversen, 1986; Heller, 1988). From the knowledge of the stridulatory movement and the structure of the stridulatory file it is possible to predict the process of sound production. During the first part of the syllable the

TABLE 1. Morphological differences of the species of the *Poecilimon sanctipauli* group.

Species/Characters	<i>P. sanctipauli</i>	<i>P. pulcher</i>	<i>P. lodosi</i>	<i>P. mytilenensis</i>
Body length (mm)	20–32	22–33	27–33	16–24
Fastigium of vertex	As wide as scapus or slightly wider, with dorsal groove usually divergent anteriorly	Divergent anteriorly	Divergent anteriorly or with subparallel lateral sides	As wide as scapus, with lateral margins parallel or slightly converging anteriorly, smooth above
Pronotum (from above)	Prozona slightly widening anteriorly metazona wider than prozona, constricted in mesozonal region	Prozona with lateral margins parallel or sometimes slightly widening anteriorly	Prozona slightly widening anteriorly mesozonal region	Pronotum constricted in mesozonal region, metazona not wider than prozona
Pronotum (in profile)	Dorsal surface of pronotum distinctly concave, metazona more raised than prozona	Dorsal surface of pronotum relatively straight from fore margin to transverse sulcus then slightly raised in metazonal region	Dorsal surface of pronotum slightly concave, metazona more raised than prozona	Dorsal surface of pronotum relatively straight from fore margin to transverse sulcus then slightly raised in metazonal region
Paranota	nearly 3 times as long as high hind margin of paranota slightly convex	hind margin of paranota distinctly convex		nearly 2.3 times as long as high; hind margin of paranota slightly convex
Tegmina	In both sexes with black longitudinal band; tegmina of female overlapping dorsally; tegmina of male converging posteriorly			Tegmina unicolorous yellowish or sometimes a pre-apical dark brown streak, tegmina of female overlapping dorsally; tegmina of male relatively transverse
Number of teeth on male stridulatory file	245–300 (CH0333, CH1507)	265 (CH3321)	255 (CH3325)	100–120
Hind femora (length in mm)	18–29; ventral margin rarely with 1–2 small spinules	with black dorsal and ventral lines 21–26.5; ventral margin without spinule	21–25.5; ventral margin without spinule	14–18; without black dorsal and ventral lines; ventral margin without spinule
Male cerci	see Fig. 2, A–C, I, J Apex produced into an acute tip; outer margin with strong teeth	see Fig. 2, D–F Apex slightly widened or with subparallel sides, slightly flattened; outer margin with small teeth	see Fig. 2 G, K Apex slightly widened, slightly flattened; outer margin with small teeth	see Fig. 2, H Apex widened (spatulate) and flattened; outer margin minutely serrate
Male subgenital plate	Posteriorly with very deep notch; exceeding to cercal apices; apical part as Fig. 2, I, J, O	Posteriorly with very shallow notch or straight; exceeding to cercal apices; apical part as Fig. 2, P	Posteriorly with very shallow notch or straight; not reaching the cercal apices; apical part as Fig. 2, K, Q	Posteriorly with very shallow notch or straight; much shorter or exceeding to cercal apices; apical part as Fig. 2, L–N, R
Female subgenital plate	Short, distinctly transverse		Short, distinctly transverse; sometimes with median carinae	Short, distinctly transverse; sometimes with small process at hind margin
Ovipositor (mm)	8.5–12.5	10–11.6	10.8–11.2	5.5–7.2
Gonangulum and Lamella	Gonangulum widened dorsoventrally, relatively swollen, forming a deep vertical pit with lamella; lamella strong and slightly swollen	Gonangulum with round edges, slightly widened dorsoventrally, not swollen; lamella with wide surface, not folding, forming with gonangulum a large, but not deep pit	Gonangulum with round edges, slightly widened dorsoventrally, not swollen; lamella with wide surface, slightly folding, forming with gonangulum a large, but not deep pit	Lamella of dorsal margin of lower ovipositor valve lamelliform, moderately extending laterally, but strongly impressed dorsally forming with gonangulum a round, deep and dorso-laterally facing pit

TABLE 2A. Measurements of *P. sanctipauli* (length in mm; SD – standard deviation).

	(Turkey only)	n	range	mean	SD
Male	Body	29	20.2–31.0	24.4	2.4
	Pronotum	29	5.6–8.8	7.2	0.7
	Tegmina	29	3.0–4.5	3.6	0.3
	Hind femur	28	18.0–25.0	21.1	1.5
Female	Body	31	22.3–32.4	26.5	2.6
	Pronotum	31	6.5–8.8	7.7	0.6
	Tegmina	29	1.4–3.7	2.6	0.4
	Hind femur	30	20.0–28.8	23.3	1.9
	Ovipositor	30	9.1–11.0	10.1	0.5

TABLE 2B. Measurements of *P. sanctipauli* (length in mm).

	Hindfemur	Turkey	Rhodos	Samos
Male	range	18.0–25.0	18.5–21.0	20.5–21.5
	Mean	21.1	19.8	21.1
	n	28	12	6
Female	range	20.0–28.8	19.5–23.5	23.5
	Mean	23.3	22.3	
	n	30	10	1

scraper moves along the long outer part of the file, then probably stops at the bulge (Fig. 5), and finally moves along the short proximal part of the file. Since the song is difficult to characterise by measurements, an example of the intra-population variability in amplitude modulation is shown in Fig. 9. In the recordings of 15 animals the two-part syllable structure is easily recognised. The duration of the syllable depends on temperature and is about 500 ms at 25°C. In the course of the afternoon the syllables become longer and of the morning shorter (Fig. 9).

A female responds to male song by abruptly closing her tegmina, producing one or a few impulses (Heller & Helversen, 1986). A schematic figure of the position of the non-homologous stridulatory organs in males and females of *P. sanctipauli* can be found in Heller & Helversen (1986).

The frequency spectrum of the song (analysed up to 70 kHz) has a distinct maximum in the high audio range between 10 and 20 kHz (Heller & Helversen, 1986; Heller, 1988).

Material examined. GREECE: Aegean Islands: N. Samos, Samos: 1 km westl. Vathi (26°57'E; 37°44'N), leg. Jay McCartney, 19.v.1998, 1♂; 3 km nordöstl. Mytilinioi (26°54'E; 37°44'N), leg. Heller & Volleth, 19.v.1998, 1♂; 3 km südlich Pirgos (26°47'E; 37°41'N), leg. Heller & Volleth, 20.v.1998, 1♂, 1♀; Moni Vronta (26°51'E; 37°47'N), leg. K.-G. Heller & M. Volleth, 21.v.1998, 1♂; Psili Ammos südl. Vathy (27°0'E; 37°42'N), leg. Heller & Volleth, 19.v.1998, 1♂; Psili Ammos südl. Vathy (27°0'E; 37°42'N), leg. Jay McCartney, 19.v.1998, 1♂; Umg. Kallitheia (26°34'E; 37°44'N), leg. Heller & Volleth, 21.v.1998, 2♂, 1♀; Southern Sporades: N. Rhodos: Rhodos, leg. A. Stumpner, 1.–31.iv.1987, 1♂; Dimilia (28°0'E; 36°16'N), elev. 30 m, leg. Heller, 14.–15.iv.1983, 2♂, 1♀ (see Heller, 1984b); Embonas (27°51'E; 36°12'N), leg. Heller, 10.–24.iv.1983, 1♂ (see Heller, 1984b); Lindos (28°4'E; 36°5'N), elev. 30 m, leg. Heller, 18.–19.iv.1983, 12♂, 10♀ (see

Heller, 1984b, 1988); Lindos (28°4'E; 36°5'N), leg. A. Stumpner, 20.iv.1987, 2♀. TURKEY: Aydin: Çine, Böülüntü (27°57.601 E, 37°33.591 N), 318 m, 25.v.2002, 6♂, 7♀ (leg. H. Sevgili & Y. Durmus); Böülüntü, 6.vi.1950, 1♀ (leg. I. Tuncay) (see Karabag 1958); Gözkarası, leg. G. Hayretdag, 2.vi.1967, 1♂, 1♀ (see Karabag et al., 1971); Merkez, Savrandere between Aydin and Çine, 11.v.1976, 1♂, 7♀ (AZME; see Karabag et al., 1981); Denizli: Akyar südwestl. Denizli (29°10'E; 37°37'N), leg. Heller, 6.v.1985, 2♂ (CH); Denizli-Antalya yolu, 18. km (Yol kenarı, Orman Fidanlığı), 27.v.2002, 2♂ (1♂ in alcohol) (leg. H. Sevgili); Izmir: Menemen, 10.v.1950, 1♀ (leg?); Belevi nordöstl. Selcuk (27°27'E; 38°1'N), leg. Heller, 28 April 1985, 1♂, 3♀ (CH); Ödemis, Bozdag (28°02.951 E, 38°18.798 N), 520 m, 25.v.2002, 3♂, 1♀ (leg. H. Sevgili & Y. Durmus); Manisa: Kürkü, 4.vi.1940, 3♂, 1♀ (leg?) (AZME); Gölmar-mara, Yeniköy, 38°47.858 N 28°04.432 E, 447 m, 24.v. May 2002, 3♂ (leg. H. Sevgili & Y. Durmus); Mugla: Labranda (27°42'E; 37°24'N), leg. Heller, 2.v.1985, 3♂, 2♀ (CH); Köyceiz, Topraksu Tesisleri, 1.v.1974, 1♂ (see Karabag et al., 1981); Datça, Sındı, 9.v.1975, 1♀ (AZME; see Önder et al., 1999); Gökova, Marmaris, 29.v.1985, 1♂ (leg. B. Gürkan); Güllük (27°36'E; 37°14'N), leg. M. Gebhardt, 6.iv.1987, 2♂, 1♀ (CH; see Heller, 1988); Düzeyin (Oyuklu dağı, Yılanlı) 30.vi.1987, 10♂, 9♀ (leg. A. Demirsoy); Marmaris, Turunç, 4.vi.2000, 6♂, 15♀; Marmaris Milli Parkı, Sogukbelen tepesi, 14.vi.1997, 1♂; Marmaris Milli Parkı, Kumbükü mevkii, 18.v.1997, 1♂; Marmaris Milli parkı, Turunç, Dereözü mah., 320 m, 18.v.1997, 1♂, 1♀; Marmaris, Adaagzi, Günlük ormani, 3.vi.2000, 2♂ (leg. Y. Durmus); pass near Ula (ca. 6 km s Mugla) (28°22'E; 37°5'N), elev. 700 m, leg. K.-G. Heller, 10.vi.2000, 1♂ (CH) (all except specimens from Greece or marked with CH or AZME in HUZOM).

Previous records (see also Material examined). GREECE: Aegean Islands: Samos: Marathokombas Werner, 1933 (Bey-Bienko 1954; Harz, 1969; Willemse, 1982, 1984); Kos: Kos, Ramme, 1933 (Harz, 1969; Willemse, 1982, 1984); Mt. Dikeo Werner, 1936 (Willemse, 1982, 1984); Kalimnos: Potea Werner 1936 (Bey-Bienko, 1954; Willemse, 1982, 1984); Nisyros: SysTax/DORSA: ZMHB, 2♀, leg. v. Oertzen; Rhodos: Rhodos Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1878, Ramme, 1933 (Bey-Bienko, 1954; Harz, 1969; Willemse, 1982, 1984), Heller & Helversen, 1986; Lindos Jannone, 1936; Willemse, 1982 (Willemse, 1984); A. Isidoros Giglio-Tos, 1914 (Willemse, 1982, 1984); surroundings Rodhini, several localities Werner, 1936 (Willemse, 1982, 1984); Ag. Irini near Apolakia Heller, 1984b; Feraklos Heller, 1984b; Simi: Pedhion Willemse, 1984; TURKEY: Antalya: Akseki, Bademli, 1550 m, leg. A. Koçak, 22.vi.1991, 4♂, 1♀: Ünal, 1999; Aydin: Aydin Werner, 1901 (Ramme, 1933), Bey-Bienko, 1954; Priene Heller, 1988; Germencik Önder et al., 1999; Izmir: Efes (= Ephesus) Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1878, Werner, 1901; Bei-Bienko, 1954, (Ramme, 1933; Karabag, 1958); Kis Avle (Smyrna; ex Coll. Lederer) (paratypes in NHMW; not localised); Göztepe Werner, 1901 (Ramme, 1933; Karabag, 1958); Sewdiköi Ramme, 1933; Boz Dag Ramme, 1933; Izmir, v.1912 (leg. de Kerville) Chopard, 1939 (Karabag, 1958); Bayındır; Bergama; Dikili; Kemalpasa; Seferihisar; Selçuk; (leg. E. Tazegül) all Tazegül & Önder, 1995; Manisa, Alasehir (leg. Werner) Werner, 1901, Bei-Bienko, 1954 (Karabag, 1958); Mugla: Fethiye (= Makri) Ramme, 1933 (to *P. pulcher*?) (Karabag, 1958); Mugla (leg. M. Burr) Karabag, 1958; the island of Chios (Greece) is mentioned by Bey-Bienko (1954) but not in the references where this information is said to be in (Ramme, 1933; Werner, 1936).

Distribution. West Anatolia and the Greek islands Rhodos, Nisyros, Kos, Samos, Kalymnos and Simi. The record from Akseki/Antalya (leg. A. Koçak; Ünal, 1999) needs confirma-

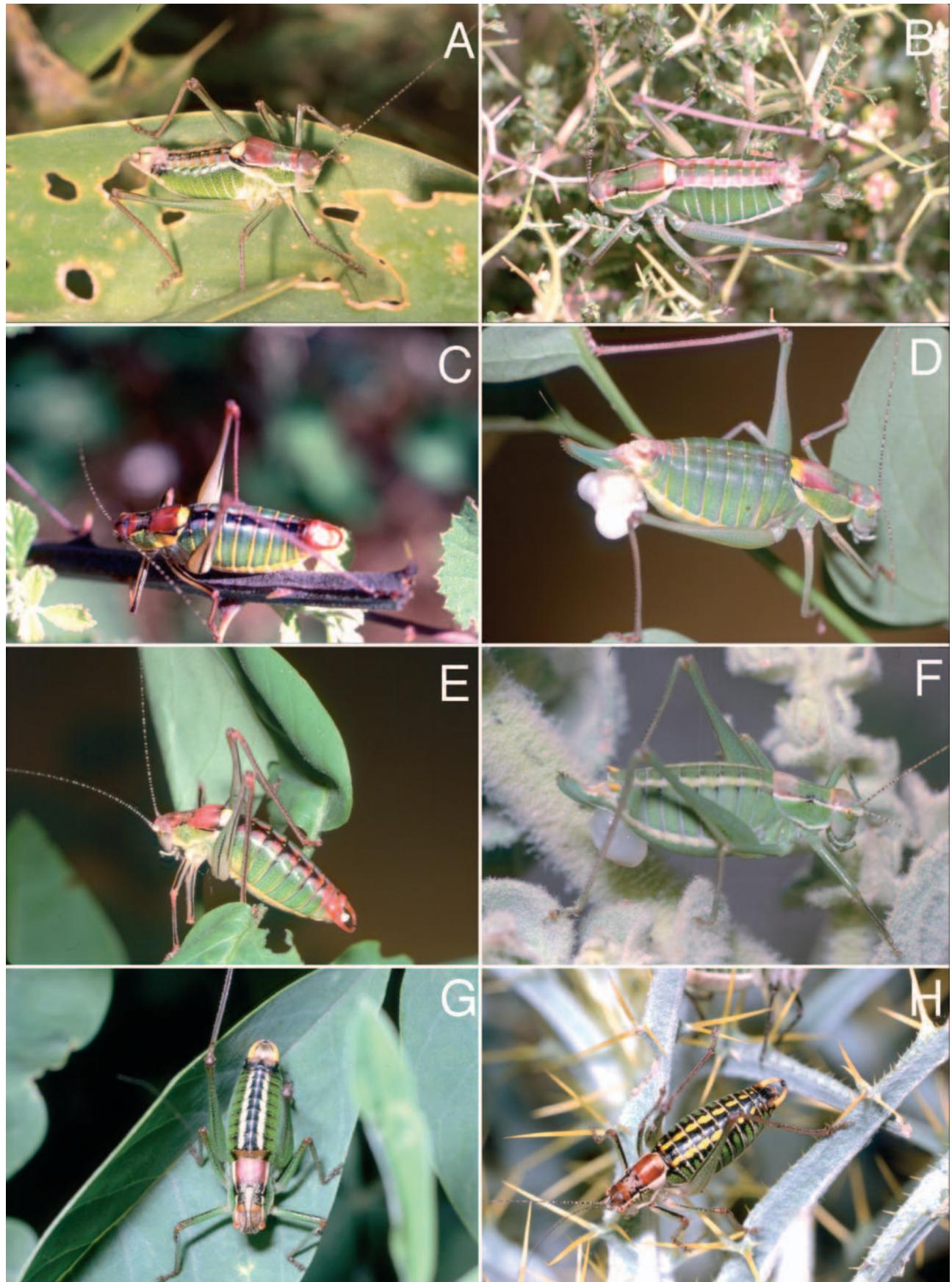


Fig. 1. A – *Poecilimon sanctipauli*, male (Rhodos, Lindos); B – *P. sanctipauli*, female (Samos, Kallithea); C – *P. lodosi*, male (Manisa); D – *P. lodosi*, female (Manisa); E – *P. pulcher*, male (Aydin, Söke); F – *P. mytilenensis brevissimus*, female (Lesbos, Moni Limonos); G – *P. mytilenensis mytilenensis*, male (Lesbos, Rachidi); H – *P. mytilenensis brevissimus*, male (Lesbos, Agra).

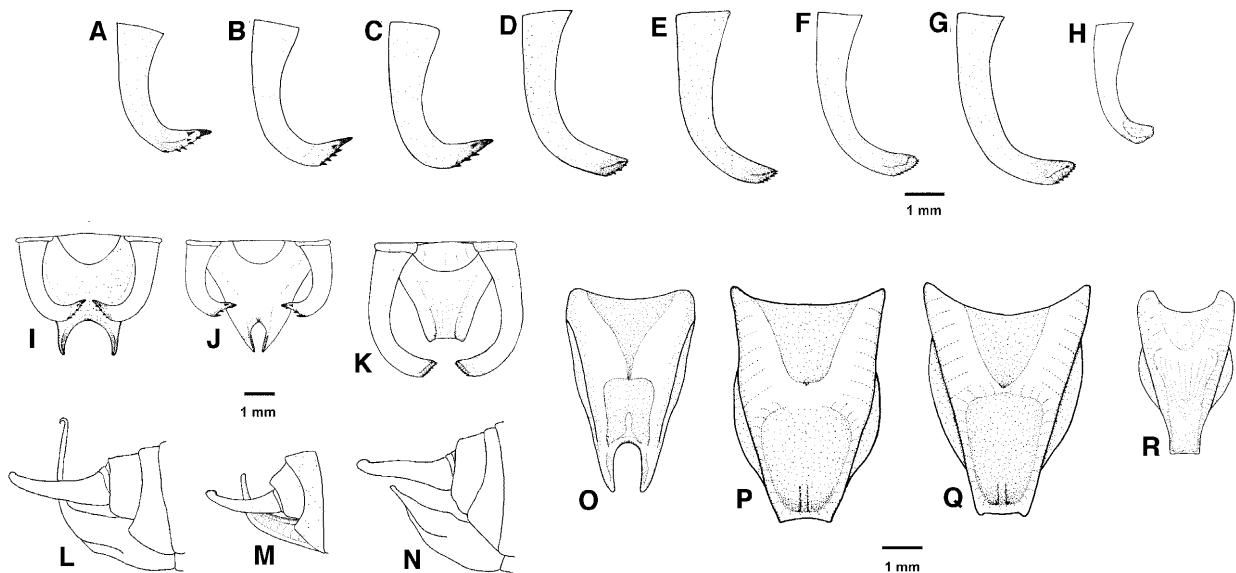


Fig. 2. Structures of male genitalia. A–H – left cercus: A, B – *P. sanctipauli*, Aydin, Çine, Böltüntü; C – *P. sanctipauli*, Manisa, Gölmarmara, Yeniköy; D, E – *P. pulcher*, Izmir, Ödemis; F – *P. pulcher*, Izmir, Cesme; G – *P. lodosi*, Manisa; H – *P. mytilenensis*, Ayvalik, Alibey island; I–K – Cerci with subgenital plate, dorsal view: I – *P. sanctipauli*, Izmir, Bozdagh; J – *P. sanctipauli* Denizli, Antalya yolu, 18th km; K – *P. lodosi*, Manisa; L–N – Cerci with subgenital plate, lateral view: L – *P. mytilenensis mytilenensis* (Greece, Lesvos, Ayiassos); M – *P. mytilenensis mytilenensis* Turkey, Ayvalik, Alibey island; N – *P. mytilenensis brevissimus* (Greece, Lesvos, 3 km NW Kaloni); O–R – subgenital plate, ventral view: O – *P. sanctipauli* Manisa, Gölmarmara, Yeniköy; P – *P. pulcher* Izmir, Ödemis; Q – *P. lodosi* Manisa; R – *P. mytilenensis*, Ayvalik, Alibey island.

TABLE 3A. Measurements of *P. pulcher* (length in mm). Body dimensions of types not correct due to stretching/ shrinkage according to Ramme (1933: 536–7).

	all specimens except those from Izmir, Çesme	n	range	mean	lectotype/allotype (Brunner 1891 / Ramme, 1933)
Male	Body	4	30.3–32.7	31.8	30 / 29
	Pronotum	6	8.9–9.5	9.2	8.7
	Tegmina	3	3.1–3.9	3.4	
	Hind femur	5	23.5–26.5	25.2	24
Female	Body	1	30.6		28 / 26
	Pronotum	4	8.7–10.0	9.4	
	Tegmina	1	2.8		
	Hind femur	4	24–27.5	25.9	21.5
	Ovipositor	4	11.5–12.5	11.9	10

TABLE 3B. Measurements of *P. pulcher* (length in mm).

	Izmir, Çesme	n	range	mean
Male	Body	4	23.3–24.0	23.8
	Pronotum	4	7.3–7.7	7.5
	Tegmina	3	2.7–3.0	2.8
	Hind femur	4	20.7–21.3	21.0
Female	Body	2	22.0–23.3	22.7
	Pronotum	2	7.5–7.8	7.7
	Tegmina	2	1.8–2.3	2.1
	Hind femur	1	21.2	
	Ovipositor	1	10.2	

tion. It is a long way from the other localities and we were unable to check the specimens deposited in the Centre of Entomological Studies, Ankara.

***Poecilimon pulcher* Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1891**

Poecilimon pulcher Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1891: 25.

Type locality. Turkey: Bozdag near Izmir (Smyrna).

Type depository. NHMW, lectotype ♂ (from syntypes 1♂, 1♀; male collected by Lederer, female (without locality label) by Türk in 1870; information provided by A. Kaltenbach, specimens not seen). According to the Code (§74.5; ICBN 1999) the comments of Ramme (1933: 536) "Ich wähle neben dem Holotypus (Unicum) des Männchens..." (In addition to the male holotype (unicum) I select...) are sufficient for a lectotype designation.

P. pulcher: Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1891: 25 (key), 27–28 (description); Jacobson 1905: 330 (key), 356 (description; in Russian); Kirby, 1906: 376 (catalogue); Ramme, 1933: 507, 509 (arrangement), 510 (checklist), 536 (description); Bey-Bienko, 1954: 256 (key), 287–8 (description); Karabag, 1958: 82 (faunistic catalogue); Tazegül & Önder, 1995: 3 (distribution); Önder et al., 1999: 247 (distribution); Çiplak et al., 1999: 753 (checklist, distribution); Çiplak et al., 2002: 685 (checklist, distribution).

Databank: SysTax, OSF2.

Diagnosis/description. See Table 1, 3 and Figs 1–4.

Song. The basic structure of the song is very similar to that of *P. sanctipauli* (isolated syllables produced at intervals of several seconds). However, the duration of the syllables is much longer (at 25°C often more than one second; Fig. 7).

Material examined. TURKEY: Aydin: Dilek Yarimadası M. P. (ca. 20 km wsw Söke) (27°12'E; 37°42'N), elev. 5 m, leg. K.-G. Heller, 11.vi.2000, 2♂, 2♀; (27°5'E; 37°40'N), leg.

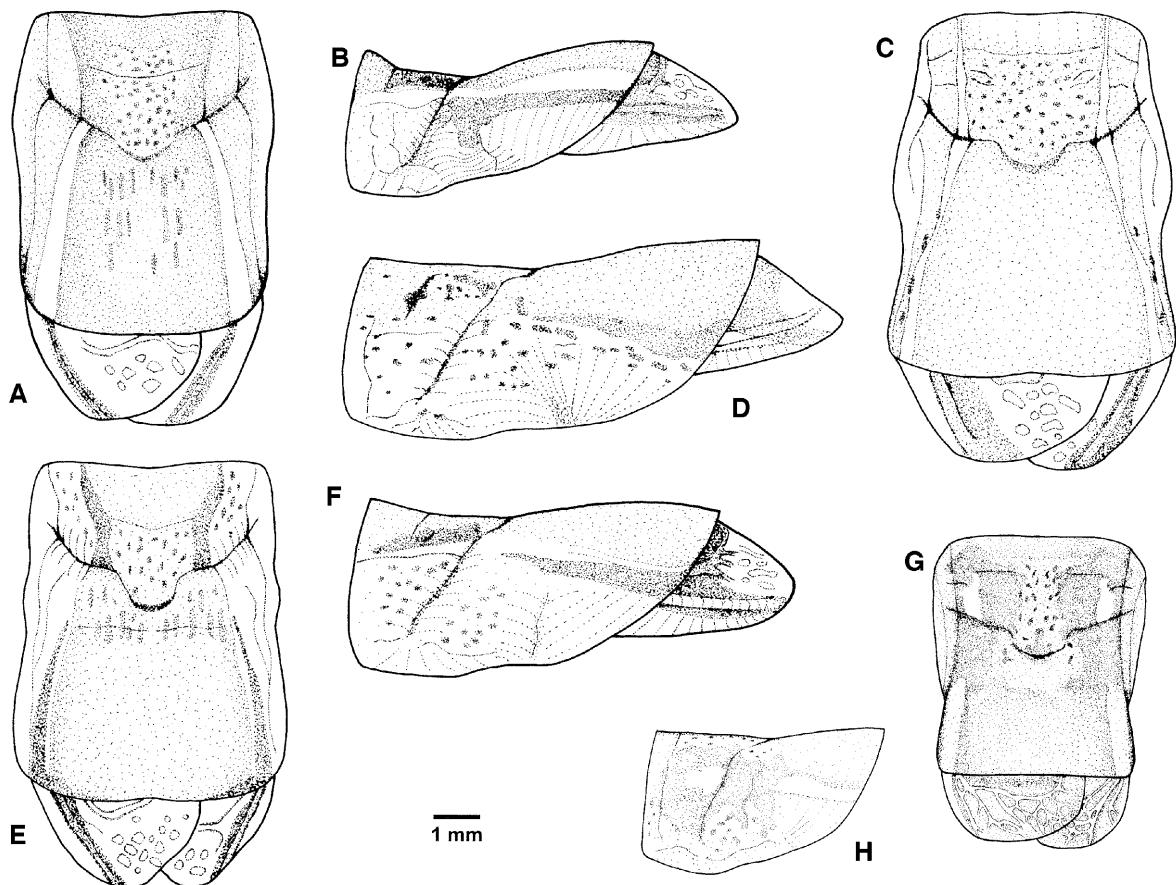


Fig. 3. Male pronotum, dorsal and lateral view. A, B – *P. sanctipauli*: A – Manisa, Gölarmara, Yeniköy; B – Aydin, Çine, Böltüntü; C, D – *P. pulcher*, Izmir, Ödemis; E, F – *P. lodosi*, Manisa; G, H – *P. m. mytilenensis*, Ayvalik, Alibey island.

Heller, 3.v.1985, 1♀ (CH); Izmir, Ödemis, Çaglayan köyü ($27^{\circ}58.032\text{ E}$, $38^{\circ}05.030\text{ N}$), 421 m, 25.v.2002, 5♂, 1♀ (1♂ in alcohol, on *Umbellifera*) (leg. H. Sevgili & Y. Durmus); Çesme, 1951, 4♂, 2♀ (leg. Izmir Zirai Mücadele Enst.); Menemen, 10.v.1950, 2♀ (leg.?, det. T. Karabag, 1950), all HUZOM. Previous records: TURKEY: Izmir: Bozdag, ♂, ♀, Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1891 (Bei-Bienko, 1954); Narlidere, (Bornova Mücadele Enstitüsü) Karabag, 1958; Çesme, SysTax/DORSA: ZMUH (1♂, 1♀, v.1951, leg. T. Karabag); Aliaga; Bergama; Kemalpasa; Menemen; Ödemis; Seferihisar; Selçuk; Tire, Torbalı, (leg. E. Tazegül) Tazegül & Önder, 1995; Bergama, Menemen, both Önder et al., 1999. The localities Aydin, Göztepe,

Efes and Seydiköy mentioned by Karabag (1958) based on Ramme (1933) refer to *P. sanctipauli*.

Distribution. Known from the region around Izmir, western Anatolia.

Poecilimon lodosi Harz, 1975

Poecilimon lodosi Harz, 1975: 9.

Type locality. Turkey: Manisa.

Type depository. MHNG, holotype ♂ (not seen).

P. lodosi: Harz, 1975: 9 (description); Otte, 1997: 124 (catalogue); Önder et al., 1999: 247 (distribution); Naskrecki & Otte, 1999: (catalogue); Çiplak et al., 1999: 753 (checklist, distribution); Çiplak et al., 2002: 686 (checklist, distribution).

Databank: OSF2.

Diagnosis/description. See Table 1, 4 and Figs 1–4.

It does not clearly differ morphologically from *P. pulcher*.

Song. The song is very similar to that of *P. sanctipauli* (see Fig. 7), also in syllable duration. The songs of some animals reared in the laboratory and in permanent acoustical contact with other males sometimes contained irregular intra-syllable gaps and impulse series after the second part of the syllable, perhaps some kind of rivalry song. Females responded to male songs in the same way as those of *P. sanctipauli*.

Material examined. TURKEY: Manisa: Sipil Dagh (ca. 3 km südl. Manisa) ($27^{\circ}26'\text{E}$; $38^{\circ}34'\text{N}$), elev. 600 m, leg. K.-G.

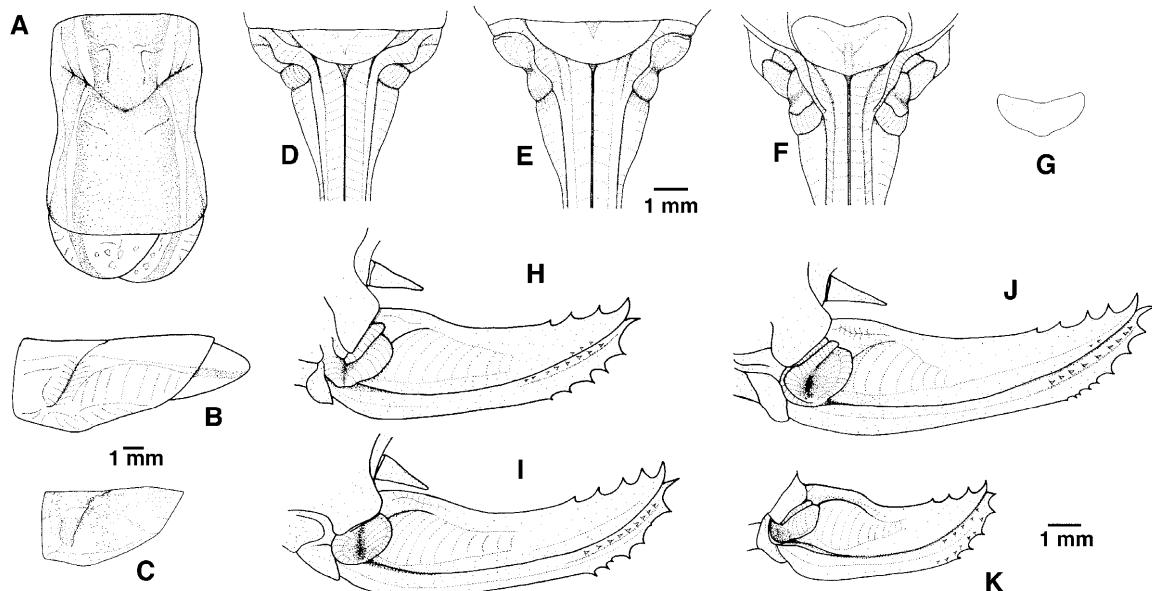


Fig. 4. Female morphological structures. A – pronotum, dorsal view: *P. lodosi*, Manisa; B–C – pronotum lateral view: B – *P. lodosi*, Manisa; C – *P. m. mytilenensis*, Ayvalik; D–F – base of ovipositor and subgenital plate: D – *P. sanctipauli* Mugla, Marmaris; E – *P. pulcher*, Izmir, Ödemiş; F – *P. lodosi*, Manisa; G – subgenital plate *P. mytilenensis*, Ayvalik; H–K – ovipositor: H – *P. sanctipauli* Mugla, Marmaris; I – *P. pulcher*, Izmir, Ödemiş; J – *P. lodosi*, Manisa; K – *P. mytilenensis*, Ayvalik.

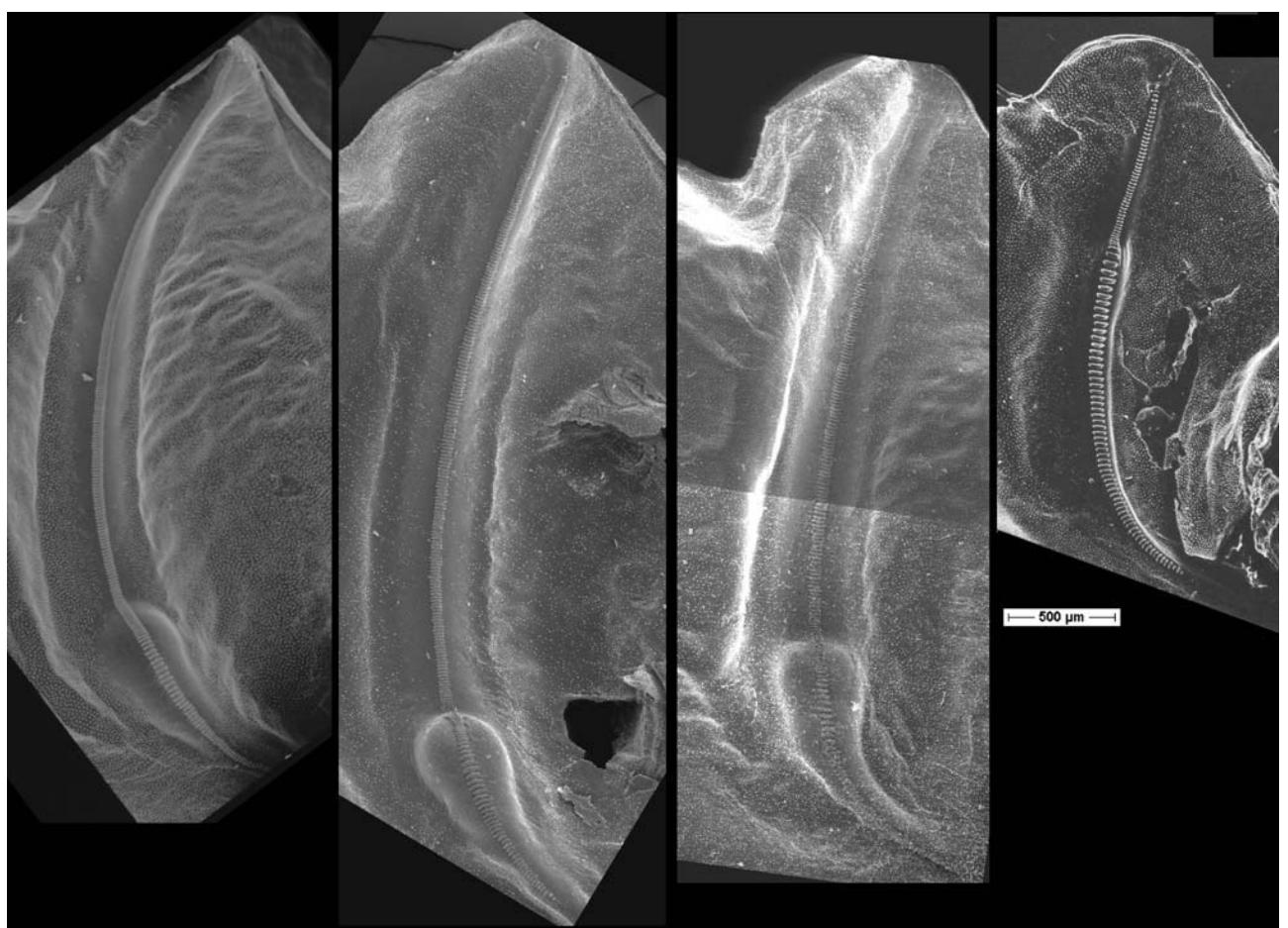


Fig. 5. Male stridulatory file, tegmen articulation at the bottom. A – *P. sanctipauli* Rhodos, Dimilia CH0333; B – *P. pulcher* Aydin, Söke CH3321; C – *P. lodosi*, Manisa, CH3325; D – *P. m. mytilenensis* Lesvos, Ayiassos.

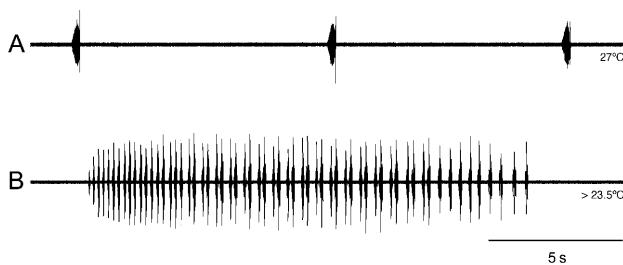


Fig. 6. Oscillograms of male calling song. A – *P. sanctipauli* Samos, Pirgos CH4695; B – *P. m. mytilenensis* Lesbos, Moria, CH3152.

Heller, 13.vi.2000, 3♂, 2♀ (CH); Sipil Dagh (ca. 5 km südl. Manisa) (27°26'E; 38°33'N), elev. 1200 m, leg. K.-G. Heller, 13vi.2000, 1♂, 1♀ and offspring of these animals, 1.i.–30.vi.2001, 6♂, 12♀ (CH); Sipil Dagh (27°25.737 E, 38°35.297 N), 717 m, 24.v.2002, 8♂, 6♀ (leg. H. Sevgili & Y. Durmus) (HUZOM).

Previous records. TURKEY: Manisa: Manisa Harz, 1975, (Önder et al., 1999: unrecognized paratype).

Distribution. Known only from Sipil Dagh near Manisa.

Discussion. This species has a combination of characters from *P. pulcher* (morphology) and *P. sanctipauli* (song). Currently it is impossible to identify dead specimens unambiguously as either *P. pulcher* or *P. lodosi*. We follow the hypothesis that *P. lodosi* is a local form occurring in Sipil Dagh, Manisa (see below: Discussion), but this needs to be confirmed by recording the songs of individuals from other populations of *P. pulcher*.

***Poecilimon mytilenensis* Werner, 1932**

P. mytilenensis mytilenensis Werner, 1932: 297

Type locality: Greece, Lesbos (Mytilene).

Type depository: ZMAA, holotype ♂,

= *P. brevicauda* Werner, 1932: 297

Type locality: Greece, Lemnos.

Type depository: ZMAA, holotype ♀.

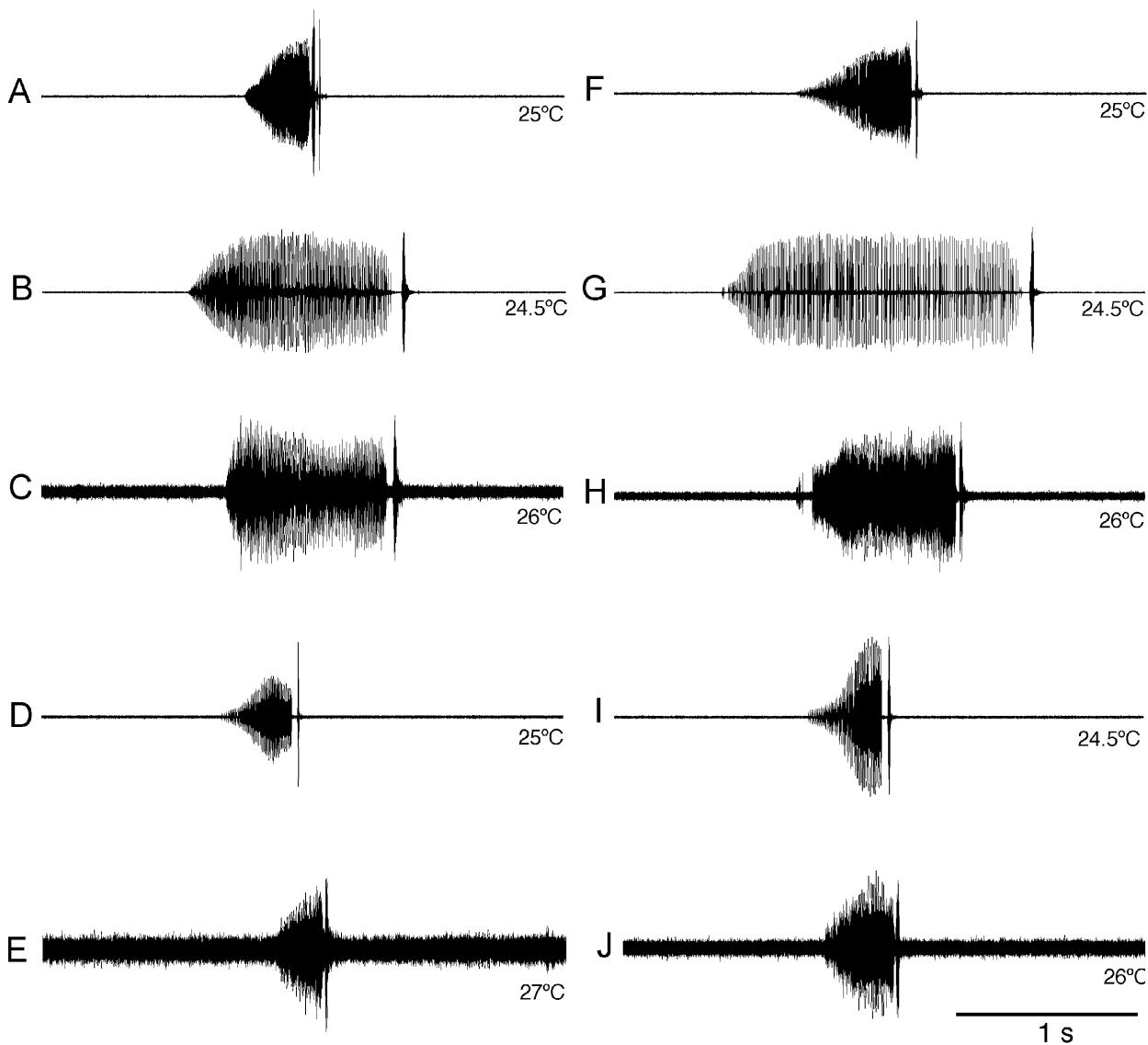


Fig. 7. Oscillograms of male calling song. A–B – *P. sanctipauli* (A – Denizli, Antalya yolu; B – Ödemiş, Bozdag); C–F – *P. pulcher* (C, D – Izmir, Ödemiş, two different males; E, F – Aydin, Söke, two different males); G–J – *P. lodosi* (Manisa, four different males).

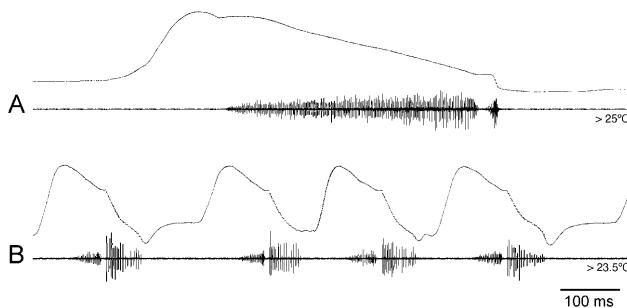


Fig. 8. Oscillograms of stridulatory movements and song [synchronous registration of left tegmen movement (upward deflection represents opening, downward closing) and sound]. A – *P. sanctipauli* Mugla, Güllük CH2331; B – *Poecilimon m. mytilenensis* Lesbos, Moria, CH3152.

P. mytilenensis brevissimus Heller, Willemse & Sevgili, 2005: (in press)
Type locality: Greece, Lesbos (Mytilene), Mithymna.
Type depository: CH, holotype ♂.

This species was revised by the authors together with Fer Willemse (Heller et al., 2005). Details of the synonymy and localities can be found in that paper.

Diagnosis/description. See Table 1 and Figs 1–4.

Song. In both subspecies the male calling song does not consist of isolated syllables as in the other three species, but of sequences of 25–120 syllables with a duration of 10–30 s (Fig. 6; rarely as short as 6 s; all data recorded at ca. 25°C). Each syllable has two parts, which are more

equal in duration than in *P. sanctipauli* (Fig. 8) Correspondingly the bulge in the stridulatory file is situated near the middle (Fig. 5). Females respond acoustically to male song (see Heller et al., 2005 for details).

Distribution. Islands of Lesbos, Greece, and Alibey, Turkey.

DISCUSSION

Phylogeny

The three large species *P. pulcher*, *P. lodosi* and *P. sanctipauli* form a monophyletic group according to their morphological similarity and unique, derived type of bioacoustical signals. Making the additional assumption that a broad or even distally widened cercus apex (Fig. 2 D–H) in the male is an autapomorphic character of the group results in the following phylogenetic tree will: [*P. mytilenensis* (*P. pulcher*, *P. lodosi*, *P. sanctipauli*)]. However, there are several alternative relationships for the three large species. The form of the cerci and subgenital plate of *P. sanctipauli* and the extremely slow stridulatory movement of *P. pulcher* can be considered as autapomorphic characters. In *P. lodosi* both these characters are in a plesiomorphic state. This species can be grouped with either of the two derived species, and can be considered a relict of the ancestral form. Alternatively, *P. lodosi* could be a hybrid between *P. sanctipauli* and *P. pulcher*. This is supported by the observation that there is only one known locality for *P. lodosi*, which is situated within (*P. sanctipauli*) or at the edge (*P. pulcher*) of the ranges of the other two species. *P. pulcher* and *P. sanctipauli* some-

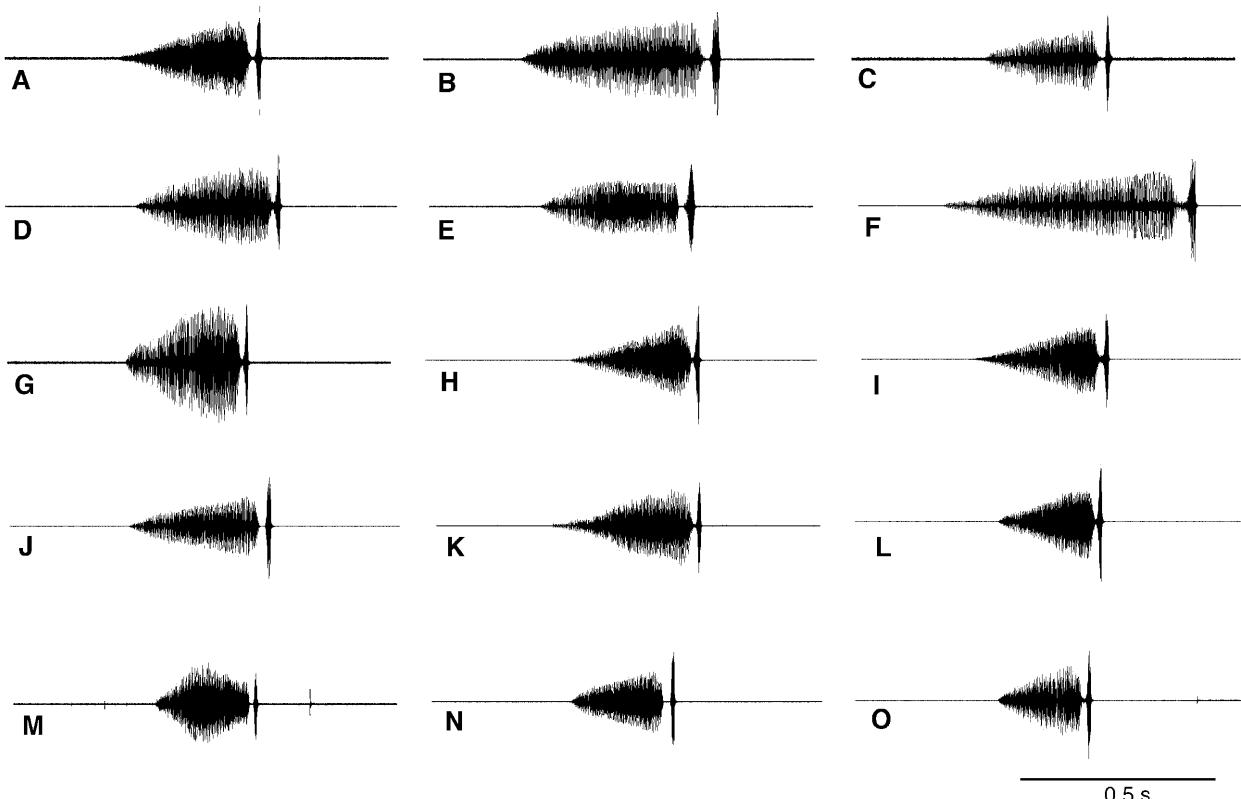


Fig. 9. Oscillograms of the calling songs of 15 males from one population of *P. sanctipauli* (Rhodos, Lindos) presented in the sequence in which they were recorded (A–F – 18 April 1983, ca. 17–18 p.m., air temperature 18.5–16°C; G–O – 19 April 1983, morning, air temperature 19–21°C).

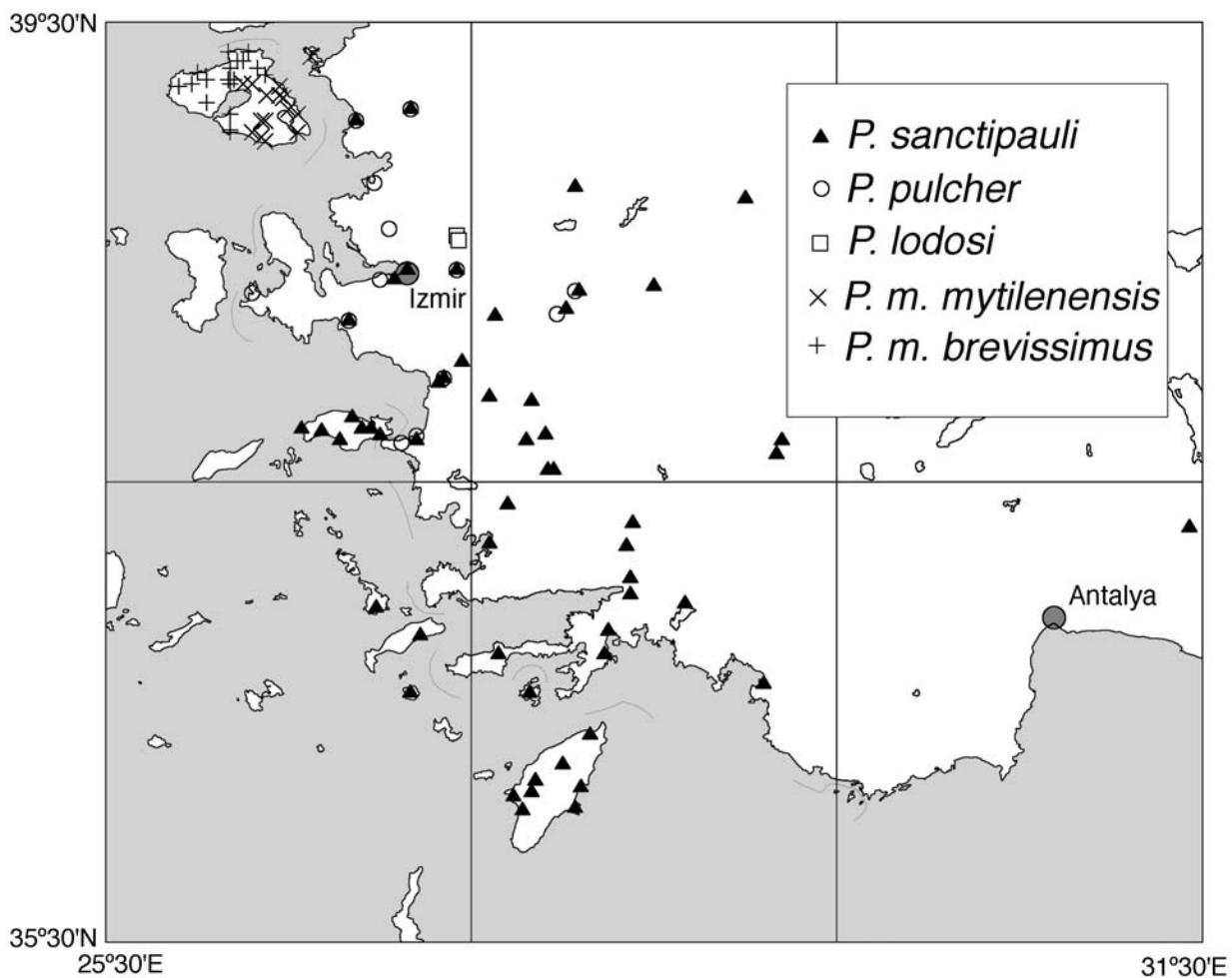


Fig. 10. Distribution map.

times occur very close together (same locality names with same or different collectors: Bergama, Selçuk, Kemalpasa, Seferihisar, Menemen, Boz Dagh). Considering their broad habitat requirements both species probably occur syntopically, but none of these localities have been examined for hybrids. At Sipil Dagh, the locality of *P. lodosi*, neither of the other two species were observed. Possibly at this locality both parent species met and the isolation barriers broke down resulting in the large hybrid population called *P. lodosi*. Hybridization occurs quite frequently when previously geographically separated forms meet. Closer examination sometimes shows that there is a complex pattern of local hybridization and syntopic co-existence of both forms. Mosaic hybrid zones with local break down of the isolation barriers between closely related species are reported in Orthoptera with increasing frequency as knowledge of these insects increases (e.g., acridid grasshoppers: Stumpner & Helversen, 1994; Ingrisch, 1995; Vedenina & Helversen, 2003; Bailey et al., 2004; crickets: Britch et al., 2001).

Biogeography

In the range of the genus *Poecilimon*, species of the *P. sanctipauli* group occur near to the south-eastern edge, an area with a high diversity of species (see Çiplak et al., 1993, 1999). They may have originated from a more widespread species, possibly a southern representative of the Balkan *P. ornatus/affinis* group (see Results). If this is correct the separation of the *P. sanctipauli*-group from its relatives may have occurred between the middle and late Miocene (Welter-Schultes & Williams, 1999; Langhian to Messenian, 16.5 to 6.5 mio years ago, possibly around the Serravalian-Tortonian boundary 11 mio years ago (Dermitzakis, 1990)) when the sea flooded into the Aegean. According to preliminary DNA studies species of *Poecilimon* may be relatively old with divergence within groups of closely related species estimated to have occurred 8 million years ago (Lehmann, 1998). The sequence differences between *P. lodosi* and species of the *P. ornatus/affinis* group are not smaller than the ingroup differences (same gene; Pollmann & Reinhold, unpubl.). As a first step in speciation, a northern form (today *P. mytilenensis*) may have separated from a precursor of the southern species *P. sanctipauli*, *P. pulcher* and *P. lodosi*,

as indicated by their present day distribution (Fig. 10) and differences in song and morphology. The occurrence of *P. sanctipauli* on many Aegean islands as well as on the main land is not unexpected since even as recently as the pleistocene and before there were land bridges to and between the islands, and them and the mainland. However, *P. sanctipauli* is found also on the island of Nisyros, a volcanic island risen above sea level not more than 1 mio years ago and never connected with the mainland (Papanikolaou & Lekkas, 1991). From these informations it is more surprising that *P. mytilenensis* is restricted to the islands of Lesbos and Alibey. However, the coastal mainland north of Izmir seems to be either generally poor in species (climatic reasons?) or less well studied (see distribution maps in Çiplak et al., 1993). Other details of the distribution pattern of the species, however, are more difficult to understand. Currently we cannot explain the distribution of the two subspecies of *P. mytilenensis*, which meet at a southwest-northeast borderline on the island of Lesbos (Heller et al., 2005). The distribution of *P. pulcher* is even more enigmatic (for *P. lodosi* see above). If allopatric speciation occurred (and a priori there are no reasons to invoke other theories) then it should have been isolated from *P. sanctipauli* for some time. But the ranges of *P. pulcher* and *P. sanctipauli* completely overlap. Both species live from sea level up to at least 1000 m, so it is not easy to imagine isolation occurring during cold periods. Isolation during a very warm interglacial seems also unlikely since *P. sanctipauli* occurs on islands without high mountains where it should have become extinct during warm periods. Further studies, especially of DNA sequences, may help elucidate the age and unusual evolutionary history of the three species *P. sanctipauli*, *pulcher* and *lodosi*.

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DATABANKS

- SysTax (a Database System for Systematics and Taxonomy): <http://www.biologie.uni-ulm.de/systax/daten/index.html>
- DORSA (Deutsche Orthopteren Sammlungen – German Orthoptera collections: <http://www.dorsa.de/>)
- OSF2 Orthoptera Species File online version 2.1: http://140.247.119.145/Orthoptera* former/other versions: <http://viceroy.eeb.uconn.edu/Orthoptera> (20/11/1998) and <http://www.tettigonia.com> (13/11/2003)

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