

**The first records of two cheyletid mites from Turkey:
Chelotomimus (Hemicheyletia) wellsi (Baker, 1949) and
Hypopicheyla elongata Volgin, 1969 (Acari: Cheyletidae)**

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Abstract

Two cheyletid mites, *Chelotomimus (Hemicheyletia) wellsi* (Baker, 1949) and *Hypopicheyla elongata* Volgin, 1969, are given as new records for the Turkish fauna, and illustrated. The cheyletid genus *Hypopicheyla* Volgin, 1969 is reported from Turkey for the first time.

Key words: Acari, Cheyletidae, *Chelotomimus (Hemicheyletia)*, *Hypopicheyla*, new records, Turkey

Introduction

The subgenus *Hemicheyletia* of the genus *Cheletomimus* is one of the largest cheyletid groups, with twenty-nine species known worldwide. The genus *Hypopicheyla* is a very small group, with two species, *Hypopicheyla elongata* Volgin, 1969 and *H. mirabilis* (Volgin, 1955) transferred from *Cheyletia* to this genus. To date, only one species of *Cheletomimus*, namely *Cheletomimus (H.) bregetovae* (Volgin, 1969), has been reported in Turkey by Koç & Ayyıldız (1996) and there have been no reports of *Hypopicheyla* in Turkey. This paper presents new distribution data and adds two records of cheyletid species to the mite fauna of Turkey.