

An introduction to Iranian Collembola (Hexapoda): an update to the species list

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Abstract

The Collembola fauna of Iran is little known and no comprehensive examination of this group of Hexapoda is available for this region. The only notable work on Collembola was carried out by Cox (1982). Recently, studies on the Collembola fauna have started in several regions. In this paper, publications by different researchers are documented and the species that have been found in different regions of Iran until January 2013 are listed. At present, 112 species, belonging to 18 families and 57 genera are known from Iran.

Keywords

Springtails, taxonomy, Iran, checklist

Introduction

Worldwide about 8,000 species of Collembola have been described (Bellinger et al. 1996–2012). Most Collembola species have been reported from Europe or North America but little literature or taxonomic keys are available from Asian countries especially from those of the Middle East.

Iran is a country in southwest Asia with an area of 1,648,195 km². It spans several different climatic zones and biomes, therefore the diversity of animals is high and this presumably also applies to those living in soil. According to biogeographic zonation, Iran has been considered part of the Palearctic region by most authors. However, some parts in the southern Iran, such as Khuzestan Plain and Persian Gulf coast, have been considered as Ethiopian (Cox 1982). The study of Collembola fauna of Iran is poor and most attention has been paid to crop pest species, which are few.

Farrabhakhsh (1961) was the first to provide information on Iranian Collembola. He reported *Sminthurus viridis* Linnaeus, 1758 from wheat and alfalfa fields in Khuzestan (Southern Iran). The most comprehensive study on Collembola was carried out by Cox (1982) who travelled to Northern, West and Central provinces in Iran and collected and identified 70 species of 30 genera and five families. The scientific names of some species recorded by Cox were changed later and their modern names are used in Appendix: *Cyphoderus ambigua* was changed to *Oncopodura ambigua* according to Christiansen (1957); the genus *Cryptopygus* Willem, 1902 was changed to *Hemisotoma* Börner, 1903 according to Rusek (2000). The species *Folsomia litsteri* Bagnall, 1939 was changed to *F. candida* (Willem, 1902); *F. multiseta* Stach, 1947 was changed to *F. penicula* Bagnall, 1939; *Neanura echinata* (Kos, 1940) was changed to *Thaumanura echinata* (Kos, 1940); the genus *Xenyllodes* Axelson, 1903 was changed to *Axenyllodes* Stach, 1949; *Xenyllodes lamellifera* was changed to *Superodontella lamellifera* (Axelson, 1903); *Onychiurus pseudogranulosus* Gisin, 1951 was changed to *Onychiuroides pseudogranulosus* (Gisin, 1951); *Onychiurus rectopapillatus* Stach, 1933 was changed to *Orthonychiurus rectopapillatus* (Stach, 1933). Also *Sminthurus marginatus* Schött, 1893 which is recorded by Kahrarian et al. (2012) was changed to *Caprainea marginata* (Schoett, 1893). Recently, some master and doctoral students started to work on the Collembola fauna of several regions of Iran and therefore the list of species certainly will increase.

Here we provide an update to the list of Iranian Collembola published from 1961 to 2013 mainly from the northern Iran. Obviously, the fauna of large parts of Iran is unknown and there is a need for additional research on the distribution of species but also on other aspects of these animals such as ecology, biology and their role in ecological processes in different ecosystems. It is the intention of the paper to encourage young entomologists to become aware of these gaps of knowledge and direct their interest towards Collembola fauna of this country.

Methods

The updated Iranian Collembola list was provided from two resources. First, it is based on bibliographic references and unpublished records from different regions (taxa not ascribed to species are not included in the total number of species). Second, results of sampling campaigns of Collembola by authors from different regions in Iran during 2009–2012 years are included. In the latter studies, soil and litter samples were collected from various habitats in Sari, Gorgan (Northern Iran) and Kermanshah



Figure 1. Extractor system for soil animals.

(Western Iran). The samples were placed in dark polythene bags. Collembola were extracted from soil and leaf litter by Berlese funnels (Figure 1). Animals were collected in water and separated under a dissecting microscope. The extracted specimens were preserved in 75% ethanol. Permanent microscopic slides were prepared using Hoyer medium; for immediate identification, a mixture of lactic acid and glycerin (5:1) was used. For observing detailed structures of specimens, a 100×oil immersion objective was used. The specimens were identified by taxonomic keys such as Gisin (1960), Fjellberg (1980, 1998, and 2007), Bretfeld (1999) and Potapov (2001). Identification of species was confirmed by Collembola experts such as Dr. Mikhail Potapov (Russia), Dr. Hans-Uergen Schulz (Germany), Dr. Ulrich Burkhart (Germany) and Dr. Louis Deharveng (France).

Result and discussion

The number of Iranian Collembola species recorded until March 2012 is 112, belonging to 18 families and 57 genera. A systematic list of species according to the modern classification for the class Collembola (Deharveng, 2004) and details of species collection are shown in Appendix. The distribution of the species in the different provinces is shown in Figure 2. Most recorded species belong to Isotomidae (24%) and Entomobryidae (21%) (Figure 3). Collembola taxa for which species were not identified and which were reported as sp. was not included in this checklist. In addition to the genera shown in Appendix, some specimens from the genera, *Pachyotoma* (Bagnall, 1949), *Prodrepanura* (Stach, 1963), *Isotomodes* (Linnaniemi, 1907), *Gnathofolsomia* (Deharveng & Christian, 1984) *Protaphorura* (Absolon, 1901) (distributed in Kermanshah) by Kahrarian et al. (2012), *Orchesella* Templeton, 1835 (distributed in Kermanshah and Golestan) by Falahati et al. (2011), *Stenacidia* Reuter, 1881, (distributed in Gilan) by Daghighi (2012) were reported for Iran fauna but the species were not identified. Some species belonging to Symphypleona were recorded by Falahati et al. (2013b) with dubious identification, for example the photo illustrated the species *Sminthurinus reticulatus* seems to be belonging to Arrhopalitidae. The species listed in this paper include *Dicyrtomina ornate*, *Smin-*

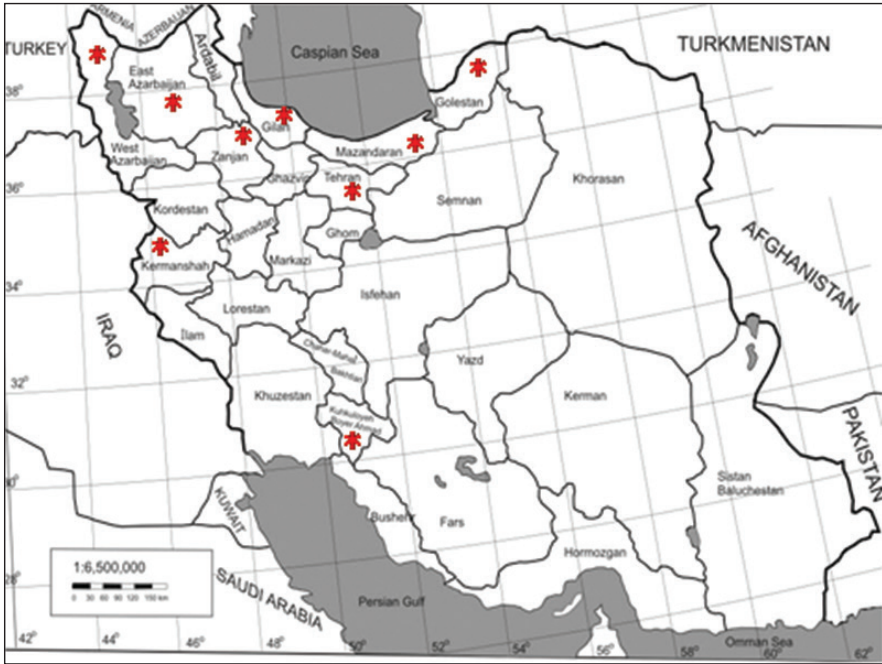


Figure 2. Map of Iran showing the provinces (*) from which Collembola have been collected.

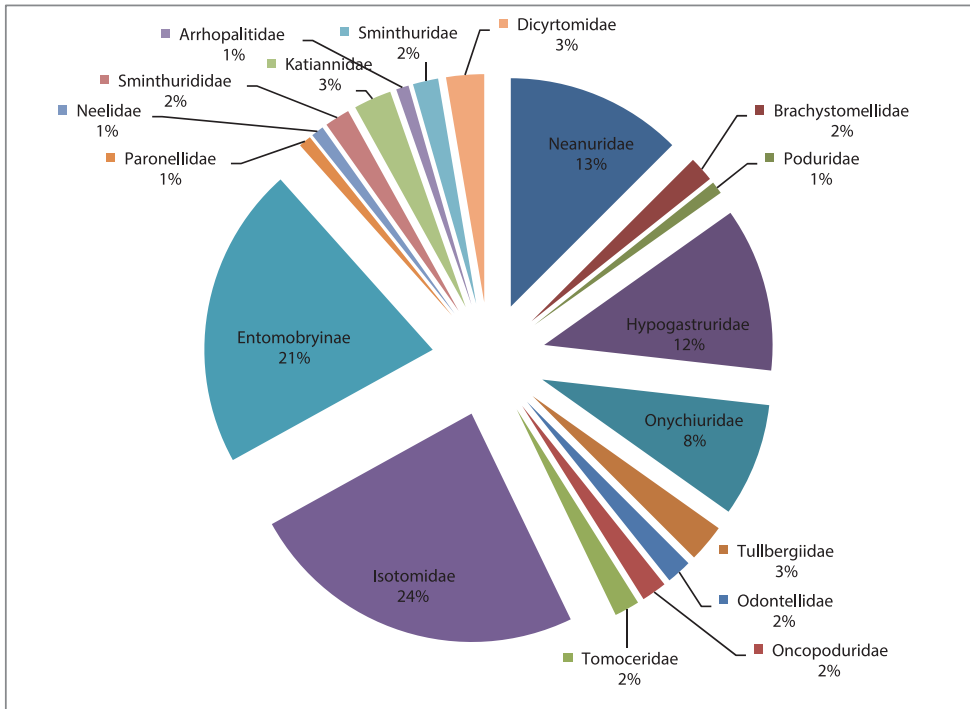


Figure 3. Percentage of Iranian Collembola species from different families.

thurides aquaticus, *Smynthurinus signatus*, *Smynthurinus transversalis*, *Smynthurinus reticulatus* and *Smynthurinus elegans*. Additionally Dr. Bretfeld didn't confirm the identifications. For these reasons the species recorded in this paper are excluded from present checklist.

The results of this paper indicate that study of Collembola is at an early stage in Iran but recently interest in the group is increasing.

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Appendix

Checklist of Iranian Collembola species. Species marked by * were recorded for the first time from Iran.

Taxonomy Class/Order/Family/Subfamily/ Species	Reference	Distribution in Iran Province/Location	Habitat
Class Collembola			
Order Poduromorpha			
Family Neanuridae			
Subfamily Pseudachorutinae			
Genus <i>Anurida</i> Laboulbne, 1865			
<i>Anurida ellipsoides</i> Stach, 1949	Cox (1982)	E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Anurida sensillata</i> Gisin, 1953	Cox (1982)	Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Anurida thalassophila</i> (Bagnall, 1939)	Cox (1982)	Gilan, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Pseudachorutes</i> Tullberg, 1871			
<i>Pseudachorutes dubius</i> Krausbauer, 1898	Cox (1982)	Central, Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Pseudachorutes parvulus</i> Börner, 1901	Cox (1982)	Central, Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Pseudachorutes subcrassus</i> Tullberg, 1871	Cox (1982)	Central, Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
Subfamily Frieseinae			
Genus <i>Friesea</i> Dalla Torre, 1895			
<i>Friesea mirabilis</i> (Tullberg, 1871)	Cox (1982)	Central, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
Subfamily Morulininae			
Genus <i>Morulina</i> Börner, 1906			
<i>Morulina verrucosa</i> Börner, 1903*	Daghighi (2012)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Ulmus</i> sp.)
Subfamily Neanurinae			
Genus <i>Bilobella</i> Caroli, 1912			
<i>Bilobella aurantiaca</i> (Caroli, 1912)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Cryptonura</i> Cassagnau, 1979			
<i>Cryptonura persica</i> sp. n.*	Smolis et al. (2012)		
<i>Cryptonura maxima</i> sp. n.*	Smolis et al. (2012)		
Genus <i>Deutonura</i> Cassagnau, 1979			
<i>Deutonura decolorata</i> (Gama & Gisin, 1964)	Cox (1982)	Mazandaran	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Neanura</i> MacGillivray, 1893			
<i>Thaumanura echinata</i> (Kos, 1940)	Cox (1982)	unknown	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Neanura muscorum</i> (Templeton, 1835)	Cox (1982) Yahyapour (2012)	Mazandaran, Gilan, Zanjan Mazandaran/ Sari	Leaf litter
Family Brachystomellidae			
Genus <i>Brachystomella</i> Agren, 1903			
<i>Brachystomella parvula</i> (Schäffer, 1896)	Cox (1982)	Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Brachystomella nubila</i> Gisin, 1957	Cox (1982)	Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
Family Poduridae			
Genus <i>Podura</i> Linnaeus, 1758			
<i>Podura aquatica</i> Linnaeus, 1758	Cox (1982)	Central	Soil, Leaf litter near water
Family Hypogastruridae			
Genus <i>Ceratophysella</i> Börner, 1932			
<i>Ceratophysella armata</i> (Nicolet, 1841)*	Falahati et al. (2012)	Kohgiluyeh and Boyer- Ahmad, Charam	Soil

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<i>Ceratophysella denticulata</i> (Bagnall, 1941)	Cox (1982) Yahyapour (2012) Ghahramanine- zhadand et al. (2012)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan Mazandaran/ Sari Kermanshah	Leaf litter Soil
<i>Ceratophysella stercoraria</i> Stach, 1963*	Kahrarian et al. (2012) Falahati et al. (2012)	Kermanshah, Sahneh Kohgiluyeh and Boyer- Ahmad, Charam	Soil
Genus <i>Choreutinula</i> Paclt, 1944			
<i>Choreutinula inermis</i> Tullberg, 1871*	Daghighi (2012)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Prunus</i> sp., <i>Ficus</i> sp., <i>Platanus</i> sp., <i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Alnus</i> sp.)
Genus <i>Hypogastrura</i> Bourlet, 1839			
<i>Hypogastrura assimilis</i> (Krausbauer, 1898)*	Falahati et al. (2012)	Kohgiluyeh and Boyer- Ahmad, Charam	Soil
<i>Hypogastrura manubrialis</i> (Tullberg, 1869)	Cox (1982) Falahati et al. (2012)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan Kohgiluyeh and Boyer- Ahmad, Charam	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Hypogastrura tullbergi</i> (Schäffer, 1900)	Cox (1982)	Mazandaran, Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Hypogastrura vernalis</i> (Carl, 1901)*	Falahati et al. (2012)	Kohgiluyeh and Boyer- Ahmad, Charam	Soil
Genus <i>Xenylla</i> Tullberg, 1869			
<i>Xenylla humicola</i> (Fabricius, 1780)	Cox (1982)	Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Xenylla maritima</i> Tullberg, 1869	Cox (1982)	Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Xenylla welchi</i> Folsom, 1916*	Yahyapour (2012) Falahati et al. (2012)	Mazandaran/ Sari Kohgiluyeh and Boyer- Ahmad, Charam	Leaf litter Soil
Genus <i>Willemia</i> Börner, 1901			
<i>Willemia anophthalma</i> Börner, 1901	Cox (1982)	Central, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Willemia aspinata</i> Stach, 1949*	Daghighi (2012)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Pinus</i> sp.)
Family Onychiuridae			
Subfamily Onychiurinae			
Genus <i>Protaphorura</i> Absolon, 1901			
<i>Protaphorura fimata</i> (Gisin, 1952)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Protaphorura bicampata</i> (Gisin, 1956)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Protaphorura quadriocellata</i> (Gisin, 1947)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Onychiuroides</i> Bagnall, 1948			
<i>Onychiuroides granulosus</i> (Stach, 1930)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Onychiuroides pseudogramulosus</i> (Gisin, 1951)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter

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Genus <i>Hymenaphorura</i> Gervais, 1841			
<i>Hymenaphorura sibirica</i> (Tullberg, 1876)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Orthonychiurus</i> Stach, 1954			
<i>Orthonychiurus folsomi</i> (Schäffer, 1900)*	Yahyapour (2012)	Mazandaran/ Sari	Leaf litter
<i>Orthonychiurus rectopapillatus</i> (Stach, 1933)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
Subfamily Tetrodontophorinae			
Genus <i>Tetrodontophora</i> Reuter, 1882			
<i>Tetrodontophora bielensis</i> (Waga, 1842)*	Daghighi (2012)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Prunus</i> sp., <i>Alnus</i> sp., <i>Parrotia</i> <i>persica</i> , <i>Acer</i> sp., <i>Salix alba</i> , <i>Punica</i> sp., <i>Robinia</i> sp., <i>Eriobotrya</i> sp., <i>Populus</i> sp.)
Family Tullbergiidae			
Genus <i>Mesaphorura</i> Börner, 1901			
<i>Mesaphorura krausbaueri</i> (Börner, 1901)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Metaphorura</i> Stach, 1954			
<i>Metaphorura affinis</i> Börner, 1902	Cox (1982) Daghighi (2012) Ghahramaninezhad et al.(2012)	Central, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan Gilan/Rasht Kermanshah	Soil (<i>Quercus</i> sp., <i>Platanus</i> sp., <i>Alnus</i> sp., <i>Punica</i> sp., <i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Pinus</i> sp., <i>Cupressus</i> sp., <i>Robinia</i> sp., <i>Eriobotrya</i> sp., <i>Zelkova</i> sp.) litter
Genus <i>Paratullbergia</i> Womersley, 1930			
<i>Paratullbergia callipygos</i> (Börner,1902)	Cox (1982)	Central, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
Family Odontellidae			
Genus <i>Axenyllodes</i> Stach, 1949			
<i>Axenyllodes bayeri</i> Kseneman, 1935	Cox (1982)	Gilan, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Superodontella</i> Stach, 1949			
<i>Superodontella lamellifera</i> (Axelson, 1903)	Cox (1982)	E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
Order Entomobryomorpha			
Family Oncopoduridae			
Genus <i>Oncopodura</i> Carl & Lebedinsky, 1905			
<i>Oncopodura ambigua</i> Christiansen, 1957	Cox (1982)	Mazandaran, Gilan	Soil, leaf litter
<i>Oncopodura hamata</i> Carl & Lebedinsky, 1905*	Daghighi (2012)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Prunus</i> sp.)

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Family Tomoceridae			
Genus <i>Tomocerus</i> Nocolet, 1842			
<i>Tomocerus minor</i> (Lubbock, 1862)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Tomocerus vulgaris</i> (Tullberg, 1871)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
Family Isotomidae			
Genus <i>Anurophorus</i> Nocolet, 1842			
<i>Anurophorus coiffaiti</i> Cassagnau & Delamare, 1955*	Falahati (2012) Falahati et al. (2013a) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Golestan/Gorgan Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Punica</i> sp.)
Genus <i>Ballistura</i> Börner, 1906			
<i>Ballistura schoetti</i> (Dalla Torre, 1895)	Cox (1982)	Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Hemisotoma</i> Bagnall, 1949			
<i>Hemisotoma thermophila</i> (Axelson, 1900)	Cox (1982) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Ficus</i> sp., <i>Ziziphus</i> sp., <i>Populus</i> sp.) Leaf litter
Genus <i>Desoria</i> Nicolet, 1841			
<i>Desoria tigrina</i> Nicolet, 1842*	Kahrarian et al. (2012)	Kermanshah	Soil
<i>Desoria olivacea</i> (Tullberg, 1871)	Cox (1982)	E. Azarbaijan	Soil, litter
Genus <i>Folsomia</i> Willem, 1902			
<i>Folsomia binoculata</i> (Wahlgren 1899)*	Ghahramaninezhad et al. (2012)	Kermanshah	Soil
<i>Folsomia brevifurca</i> (Bagnall, 1949)	Cox (1982)	Mazandaran	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Folsomia candida</i> (Willem, 1902)	Cox (1982) Yahyapour (2012)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan Mazandaran/Sari	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Folsomia fimetaria</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Folsomia penicula</i> Bagnall, 1939*	Cox (1982) Falahati (2012) Falahati et al. (2013a) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b) Falahati et al. (2011)	Central, Mazandaran, E. Azarbaijan Golestan/Gorgan Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Quercus</i> sp.)
<i>Folsomia quadrioculata</i> (Tullberg, 1871)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Folsomia similis</i> Bagnall, 1939*	Moravvej et al. (2007) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Tehran Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Ficus</i> sp., <i>Pinus</i> sp.)
Genus <i>Folsomides</i> Stach, 1922			
<i>Folsomides angularis</i> Axelson, 1905*	Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Prunus</i> sp.)
<i>Folsomides marchicus</i> (Frenzel, 1941)*	Kahrarian et al. (2012)	Kermanshah/Sahneh/Harsin	Soil

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<i>Folsomides parvulus</i> Stach, 1922	Cox (1982) Yahyapour (2012) Kahrarian et al. (2012) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan Mazandaran/ Sari Kermanshah/Sahneh/Harsin Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Morus</i> sp.), Leaf litter
Genus <i>Isotoma</i> Bourlet, 1839			
<i>Isotoma viridis</i> Bourlet, 1839	Cox (1982) Yahyapour (2012)	Central, Mazandaran, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan Mazandaran/ Sari	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Isotomiella</i> Bagnall, 1939			
<i>Isotomiella minor</i> (Schäffer, 1896)	Cox (1982) Moravvej et al. (2007) Yahyapour (2012) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b) Ghahramaninezhad et al. (2012)	Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan Tehran Mazandaran/ Sari Gilan/Rasht Kermanshah	Soil (<i>Quercus</i> sp., <i>Prunus</i> sp., <i>Pinus</i> sp.) Leaf litter
Genus <i>Isotomina</i> Börner, 1903			
<i>Hemisotoma pontica</i> Stach, 1947	Cox (1982) Moravvej et al. (2007) Kahrarian et al. (2012) Yahyapour (2012)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan Tehran Kermanshah Mazandaran/ Sari	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Hemisotoma orientalis</i> Stach, 1947	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Isotomurus</i> Börner, 1903			
<i>Isotomurus maculatus</i> (Schäffer, 1869)*	Falahati (2012) Falahati et al. (2013a) Falahati et al. (2011)	Golestan/ Gorgan	Soil
<i>Isotomurus palustris</i> (Muller, 1776)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Isotomurus punctiferus</i> Yosii, 1963*	Falahati (2012) Falahati et al. (2013a) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Golestan/Gorgan Gilan/Rasht	Soil
Genus <i>Parisotoma</i> Bagnall, 1940			
<i>Parisotoma notabilis</i> (Schäffer, 1896)	Cox (1982) Moravvej et al. (2007) Kahrarian et al. (2012) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan Tehran Kermanshah Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Platanus</i> sp., <i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Cupressus</i> sp.) Leaf litter
Genus <i>Proisotoma</i> Börner, 1901			
<i>Proisotoma minima</i> Absolon, 1901*	Yahyapour (2012)	Mazandaran/ Sari	Leaf litter
<i>Proisotoma minuta</i> (Tullberg, 1871)	Cox (1982) Nematollahi et al. (2009)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter, African violet
<i>Proisotoma subminuta</i> Denis, 1931*	Moravvej et al. (2007) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Tehran Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Ulmus</i> sp.)

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<i>Proisotoma tenella</i> Reuter, 1895*	Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013a) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Melia</i> sp.)
Family Entomobryidae			
Subfamily Entomobryinae			
Genus <i>Entomobrya</i> Rondani, 1861			
<i>Entomobrya atrocincta</i> Schött, 1886*	Yahyapour (2012) Yahyapour et al. (2011) Kahrarian et al. (2012)	Mazandaran/Sari Kermanshah/ Harsin	Leaf litter
<i>Entomobrya corticalis</i> (Nicolet, 1841)	Cox (1982)	Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Entomobrya dollfusi</i> Denis, 1924*	Yahyapour (2012)	Mazandaran/ Sari	Leaf litter
<i>Entomobrya lindbergi</i> Stach, 1960*	Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013b) Moravvej (2003)	Gilan/Rasht Tehran	Soil (<i>Alnus</i> sp. and <i>Ulmus</i> sp.)
<i>Entomobrya lanuginosa</i> (Nicolet, 1841)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Entomobrya handschini</i> Stach, 1922*	Moravvej (2003)	Tehran	Soil
<i>Entomobrya multifasciata</i> Tullberg, 1871*	Yahyapour (2012) Yahyapour et al. (2011)	Mazandaran/ Sari	Leaf litter
<i>Entomobrya unostrigata</i> Stach, 1930*	Moravvej (2003)	Tehran	Soil
Genus <i>Mesentotoma</i> Salmon, 1942			
<i>Mesentotoma subdollfusi</i> Jacquemart, 1974*	Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil(<i>Alnus</i> sp., <i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Parrotia</i> <i>persica</i> , <i>Acer</i> sp. and <i>Salix alba</i>)
Genus <i>Sinella</i> Brook, 1882			
<i>Sinella curviseta</i> Brook, 1882*	Moravvej (2003)	Tehran	Soil
<i>Sinella tenebricosa</i> Folsom, 1902*	Nematollahi et al. (2009)	Isfahan/ Isfahan	vegetables and cucumber greenhouses
Subfamily Lepidocyrtinae			
Genus <i>Lepidocyrtus</i> Bourlet, 1839			
<i>Lepidocyrtus cyaneus</i> Tullberg, 1871	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Lepidocyrtus lanuginosus</i> (Gmelin, 1788)	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Lepidocyrtus ruber</i> Schött, 1902	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Pseudosinella</i> Schaefer, 1897			
<i>Pseudosinella alba</i> (Packard, 1873)*	Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Quercus</i> sp., <i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Platanus</i> sp., <i>Alnus</i> sp., <i>Parrotia persica</i> , <i>Acer</i> sp. <i>Salix</i> <i>alba</i> , <i>Punica</i> sp.)
<i>Pseudosinella duodecimpunctata</i> Denis, 1931	Cox (1982)	E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Pseudosinella imparipunctata</i> Gisin, 1953	Cox (1982)	Mazandaran, Gilan, Zanjan	Soil, Leaf litter

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<i>Pseudosinella octopunctata</i> Böner, 1901	Cox (1982) Yahyapour et al. (2011) Yahyapour (2012)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan, W. Azarbaijan, Zanjan Mazandaran/Sari	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Pseudosinella sexoculata</i> (Schött, 1902)*	Ghahramaninezhad et al.(2012)	Kermanshah	Soil
Subfamily Scirinae			
Genus <i>Seira</i> Lubbock, 1870			
<i>Seira domestica</i> Nicolet, 1842*	Yahyapour (2012) Yahyapour et al. (2011) Kahrarian et al. (2011) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Mazandaran/Sari Kermanshah/ Harsin Gilan/ Rasht	Leaf litter, Soil (<i>Magnolia</i> sp., <i>Ficus</i> sp., <i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Prunus</i> sp.)
Subfamily Willowsiinae			
Genus <i>Willowsia</i> Shoebotam, 1917			
<i>Willowsia nigromaculata</i> Lubbock, 1873*	Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Platanus</i> sp., <i>Prunus</i> sp., <i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Ficus</i> sp., <i>Alnus</i> sp., <i>Quercus</i> sp.)
Subfamily Orchesellinae			
Genus <i>Heteromurus</i> Wankel, 1860			
<i>Heteromurus major</i> (Moniez, 1889)	Cox (1982) Yahyapour (2012) Yahyapour et al. (2011) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Central, Mazandaran, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan Mazandaran/Sari Gilan/ Rasht	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Heteromurus nitidus</i> (Templeton, 1835)	Cox (1982)	Mazandaran, Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Heteromurus sexoculatus</i> Brown, 1926	Cox (1982)	Mazandaran	Soil, Leaf litter
Family Paronellidae			
Genus <i>Cyphoderus</i> Nicolet, 182			
<i>Cyphoderus albinus</i> Nicolet, 1842*	Daghighi (2012)	Gilan/Rasht	Soil (<i>Platanus</i> sp.)
Order Neelipleona			
Family Neelidae			
Genus <i>Neelus</i> Folsom, 1896			
<i>Neelus murinus</i> Folsom, 1896	Cox (1982)	Central, Mazandaran, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter
Order Symphypleona			
Family Sminthurididae			
Genus <i>Sphaeridia</i> Linnaniemi, 1912			
<i>Sphaeridia pumilis</i> (Krausbauer, 1898)	Cox (1982) Kahrarian et al. (2012)	Central, Gilan Kermanshah/ Sahneh/Harsin	Soil, Leaf litter
Genus <i>Sminthurides</i> Börner, 1900			
<i>Sminthurides malmgreni</i> (Tullberg, 1876)	Cox (1982)	Central, Gilan, E. Azarbaijan	Soil, Leaf litter

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Family Katiannidae			
Genus <i>Sminthurinus</i> Börner, 1901			
<i>Sminthurinus aureus</i> Lubbock, 1862*	Yahyapour (2012) Daghighi (2012) Daghighi et al.(2013b)	Mazandaran/ Sari Gilan/Rasht	Leaf litter Soil (<i>Ulmus</i> sp., <i>Prunus</i> sp., <i>Acer</i> sp., <i>Cupressus</i> sp., <i>Robinia</i> sp., <i>Populus</i> sp.)
<i>Sminthurinus bimaculatus</i> (Axelson, 1902)	Cox (1982)	Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Sminthurinus elegans</i> Fitch, 1863	Cox (1982) Yahyapour(2012) Falahati (2012) Ghahramaninezhad et al.(2012)	unknown Mazandaran/ Sari Golestan/ Gorgan Kermanshah	Soil Leaf litter Leaf litter Leaf litter
Family Arrhopalitidae			
Genus <i>Arrhopalites</i> Börner, 1906			
<i>Arrhopalites caecus</i> (Tullberg, 1871)	Cox (1982) Ghahramaninezhad et al.(2012)	Gilan, E. Azarbaijan Kermanshah	Soil, Leaf litter
Family Sminthuridae			
Genus <i>Sminthurus</i> Latreille, 1804			
<i>Sminthurus viridis</i> Linnaeus, 1758*	Farrahbakhsh (1961)	Khuzestan	wheat and alfalfa fields
Genus <i>Capraïnea</i> Dallai 1970			
<i>Capraïnea marginata</i> (Schott, 1893)*	Kahrarian et al. (2012)	Kermanshah/Sahneh/Harsin	Soil
Family Dicyrtomidae			
Genus <i>Dicyrtomina</i> Börner, 1903			
<i>Dicyrtomina ornata</i> Nicolet, 1842*	Yahyapour (2012)	Mazandaran/ Sari	Leaf litter
Genus <i>Dicyrtoma</i> Bourlet, 1841			
<i>Dicyrtoma minuta</i> (Fabricius, 1783)	Cox (1982)	Mazandaran, Gilan	Soil, Leaf litter
<i>Dicyrtoma fusca</i> Lubbock, 1873*	Yahyapour (2012)	Mazandaran/ Sari	Leaf litter

