

PHOTORAPHIC REVISION OF THE FAMILY EUGLENACEAE GIRNA RIVER NEAR JALGAON REGION MAHARASHTRA, INDIA

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ABSTRACT

Family Euglenaceae represent an important aquatic phototrophs, it is interesting group resembles like animal as well as algae or plant. In this study, we aimed to revolutionized our knowledge and understanding of conventional taxonomy of different genus of family from Girna river Jalgaon region of Maharashtra, India. Sample were taken from three locations at Girna river. Twenty nine species of family Euglenaceae were observed under Light microscopic (LM), and identified till forms level. All members of Euglenaceae species were taxonomically determined and are described for the first time from these areas. They were listed and presented with morphological descriptions, dimensional information and photographic information. Green flagellates with elongate, ovoid, spindle-like shape cells, varying in length from 15 to 500 μm , and with one or two flagella originating within an anterior of the cell. Euglenaceae have two

methods of locomotion involves helical rotation of the cell and most species exhibit, when swimming stops and other is wiggling method. Chloroplasts vary in shape, size, number per cell and pyrenoid type. The chloroplasts are grass-green and contain chlorophylls.

KEYWORDS: *taxonomic, Euglenales, Euglena, flagellates, wiggling, phototrophs, Euglenophyceae.*

INTRODUCTION

Algae provide relatively unique information concerning ecosystem conditions compared with commonly used animal indicators. Algae respond rapidly and predictably to a wide range of pollutants and, thus, provide potentially useful early warning signals of deteriorating conditions and the possible causes. Algal assemblages provide one of the few benchmarks for

establishing historical water quality conditions and for characterizing the minimally impacted biological condition of many disturbed ecosystems. Preliminary comparisons suggest that algal indicators are a cost-effective monitoring tool as well. (Nandan and Patil, 2002). Algae is primary producers in aquatic ecosystem, they consume the number of element dissolved in water for their survival and growth. Hence, study of algae existing in water help to determine what control or changes the water quality. Therefore algae are used as indicators of water pollutions.

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In study area of Girna river is about six kms., station area is one km., river flows to south-east direction near Jalgaon city, study area divided in to three different stations (G-I, G-II and G-III). Station G-II is near the bridge of national highway no. 6. Station G-I is two kms. towards upstream direction of river and station G-III is two kms. Towards downstream direction of river.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Algal materials were collected in specimen bottles at the beginning of the experiment. Attached algal material collected with forceps or by hand, greenish surface water was collected between 8 to 9 am. Algal sample were collected at monthly interval, during July 2013 to December 2013. Greenish water algae were collected in acid washed container bottles, Photographs taken by Nikon camera and sketches were made by using camera lucida. Identification of diatoms was mostly based on the key given by, and remaining preserved in the 4% formalin for further taxonomic investigation.

Class- Euglenophyceae

Order- Euglenales

Family- Euglenaceae

Genus- *Trachelomonas* Ehrenberg, 1835

Trachelomonas acanthostoma (Stokes) Deflandre

Fig. 1

Prescott, 410, Pl. 85, f. 3, 1962

Test subglobose or ovoid; wall densely punctate, sometimes with minute spiny projections about the flagellum aperture which has a low collar; test 21.4 μ in diameter, 32.4 μ long.

Habitat: Station G-II, Dec. 2007

T. armata* f. *involuta Defl.

Fig. 2

G. W. Prescott, 411, Pl. 83, f. 33, 1962

Test broad ovate with rounded ends; flagellar opening surrounded by short collar with spines; wall smooth but spine mostly present at anterior and posterior ends. 34.9 \times 27.4 μ .

Habitat: Station G-II and G-III, May. 2007

T. armata v. **steinii** Lemm.

Fig. 3

G. W. Prescott, 411, Pl. 83, f. 26, 1962

Test broadly oval with rounded ends. Flagellar aperture surrounded by a short collar with sharp spines; anterior end with many short spines, posterior end with many longer, backwardly directed stout spines. Membrane brown in colour. $28.7-37.7 \times 24.5-31.1 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II and G-III, Nov., Dec. 2007

T. bacillifera Playf. v. **globosa** Playf.

Pl. 24, Fig. 11; Pl. 56, Fig. 4

P. Bourrelly and A. Counte, 13(4): 296, f. 7, 1978.

Test globose, flagellum aperture without collar; short spinous, flinger like outgrowths distributed evenly over the surface, spine obtuse and rod like. Membrane yellowish in colour. Chromatophore oval, discs, numerous. Flagellum $1 \frac{1}{2}$ to 2 times the body length. 13μ in diameter.

Habitat: Station G-I, G-II and G-III, Oct. 2007

T. bulla (Stein) Defl.

Fig. 6

G. W. Prescott, 411, Pl. 84, f. 15, 1962

Lorica ovoid shaped. Collar differing from of the members and in direct continuation of the main part of the envelope, though much thinner. Wall punctate, reddish brown in colour. Chromatophores numerous, ovoid. Nucleus posterior, lateral. $19.8 \times 16.6 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Dec. 2008

T. charkowiensis Swirenko ex Deflandre

Fig. 7

G. W. Prescott, 411, Pl. 85, f. 14, 1962

Test oval; flagellum aperture with a short collar; wall brown, uniformly beset with stout conical spines; test 20μ in diameter, 32.5μ long.

Habitat: Station G-II, Mar. 2008

T. curta Da Cunha

Fig. 8

A. Middelhoek, 2(3): 241, Pl. 1, f. 1, 1950

Test spheroidal, compressed in longitudinal direction, appearing wider than long when seen laterally, but circular in cross-section. Membrane red brown in colour. Chromatophore few, pyrenoids sheathed by paramylum cups. Flagellar opening surrounded sometime by a

thickened ring, but no colour. Flagellum twice the body length. $11.1-13.7 \times 13.7-14.5 \mu$.

Habitat: G-II, Mar and Apr. 2008

T. hispida v. **crenulatocollis** f. **recta** Deflandre

Fig. 9

G. W. Prescott, 414, Pl. 83, f. 31, 1962

Test ovoid; flagellum aperture in a short collar with a coarsely toothed margin; wall punctuate and unevenly beset with short sharp spines; test 25-26 μ in diameter, 33-34 μ long.

Habitat: Station G-II, Mar and Apr. 2008 and May 2007

T. hispida (Perty) Stein em. Defl. v. **crenulatocollis** (Masks) Lemm.

Z. A. Asaul, 77, Pl. 29, Fig. 8-10, 1975

Fig. 10

Test ovoid with rounded ends. Flagellar opening in a short, definite collar, with a coarsely toothed margin. Wall punctate, unevenly beset with short spines. Membrane dark brown in colour. Flagellum upto $1 \frac{1}{2}$ times the body length. $28.732.3 \times 18.9-25.1 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Mar and Apr. 2008

T. intermedia Dang.

Fig. 11

G. W. Prescott, 414, Pl. 83, f. 10, 1962

Test subspherical to oval with rounded ends, slightly narrowed anteriorly; the flagellar opening with thickened ring, without collar; surface finely punctate; membrane brown in colour. Chromatophores 3-4 with sheathed pyrenoids. Flagellum about the body length. $14.2-18 \times 12-16.2 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Mar and Apr. 2007

T. lacustris Drezepolski

Fig. 12

Test cylindrical, the lateral margins almost parallel, broadly rounded both posteriorly and anteriorly; flagellum aperture usually without a collar but sometimes with a slightly raised rim; wall coarsely and densely punctae, golden yellow-brown; test 12-16.5 μ in diameter, 26-29.6 μ long.

Habitat: Station G-II, Sep. 2008

T. manginii f. **subpunctata** Safon.

Fig. 13

Z. I. Asaul, 115, Pl. 53, F. 4-9, 1975

Test oval to subspherical; broadly rounded at anterior end; rounded or slightly conical at the posterior end. Flagellar opening in a prominent cylindrical short collar. Wall finely punctate,

red brown in colour. $23.8-25.9 \times 17-17.5 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Apr. 2008

T. oblonga Lemm.

Fig. 13

H. Skuja, Ser. 4, 14(5): 165, 1949

Lorica ellipsoidal to oval with rounded ends; flagellar opening surrounded by a ring. Wall smooth, membrane yellow brown in colour. Flagellum $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 times the body length. $14.3-21.6 \times 12.3-16 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, May. 2008

T. ornata (Swir.) Skv.

Fig. 14

Z. I. Asaul, 50, Pl. 15, F. 1-4, 1975

Test broadly ovate; flatellum aperture in a short collar; small, even spines present all over the test surface, sometimes spines hooked. Membrane brown in colour. Chromatophores 2-4 with sheathed pyrenoids.

Habitat: Station G-II, Jan. 2008

T. planctonica Swir.

Fig. 15

G. Huber-Pestalozzi, 328, Pl. 71, f. 668, 1955

Lorica ovate to ovoid, with rounded ends; flagellar opening surrounded by a well developed cylindrical neck with or without serrated edge. Membrane yellow brown in colour. Chromatophore 5-10. Flagellum 2 times the body length. $18.9-24.9 \times 14.3-21.3 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Oct and Nov. 2008 and G-III, May 2007

T. scabra Playf.

Fig. 16

L. Hajdu, 11:21. F. 58, 1976

Test broadly ovoid with slightly narrowed rounded ends; flagellar opening in long slightly curved neck. Surface rough, irregular and scabrous, dark brown in colour; flagellum twice the body length. $28.3 \times 18.9 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Oct and Nov. 2008 and G-III, Mar. 2007

T. scabra v. longicollis Playfair 1916, p. 28

Fig. 17

G. W. Prescott, 417, Pl. 85, f. 7, 1962

Test ovoid; flagellum aperture in a short, twisted collar; wall irregularly and rather coarsely roughened; test 19.5μ in diameter, 27.3μ long.

Habitat: Station G-II, Nov. 2008 and G-III, Mar. 2007

T. similis Stokes

Fig. 18

G. W. Prescott, 417, Pl. 84, f. 12, 1962

Test oblong ellipsoid, rounded at both ends. Flagellum appears in a curved collar, often swollen at the base; lightly toothed. Wall regularly punctate, uniformly rough ended by irregularly shaped granulation. Membrane yellowish-brown in colour. Chromatophore numerous, small, oval. Nucleus slightly posterior to the middle. Flagellum 1-2 times the body length. $20.4-26 \times 15.3-18.2 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Aug. 2007

T. superb v. **swirenkiana** Deflandre

Fig. 19

G. W. Prescott, 418, Pl. 84, f. 8,9, 1962

Test subglobose; flagellum aperture in a low, ring-like collar; wall spiny in the anterior and posterior portions with a few minute spines in the midregion; the posterior spines longer and stouter than the anterior region; test 31μ in diameter, 40μ long.

Habitat: Station G-II, May 2007

T. varians Defl.

Fig. 20

G. W. Prescott, 418, Pl. 83, f. 4-5, 1962

Test oval or globose; flagellum aperture surrounded by a cylindrical canal extended inwardly to the test cavity, the special characteristic of the species. Wall dark brown in colour, smooth or may be lightly punctate. $25.5-23.4 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Oct. 2007

T. volvocina v. **compressa**

Fig. 21

Test depressed-globose of chromatophore compressed; flagellar opening surrounded by a thickening of the wall surface smooth. Yellow in colour; chromatophore few with sheathed pyrenoids $12.3-16 \mu$ in diameter.

Habitat: G-II, Oct. 2007

Genus- *Strombomonas* Deflandre, 1930

Strombomonas acuminata (Schmarda) Defl.

Fig. 22

Z. I. Asaul, 133, Pl. 67, f. 1-16, 1975

Test oval; broader towards the posterior end, abruptly ending into a spike; anteriorly

narrowing into a short, cylindrical collar; wall finely punctate. $33.4-46.4 \times 19-24.2 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Jun. 2007

S. gibberosa (Playf.) Defl.

Fig. 23

G. Huber-Pestalozzi, 382, Pl. 79, f. 828, 1955

Lorica distinctly broadly rhombic in outline; tapering to a long, sharp tail posteriorly; anterior end with a wide neck. Wall hyaline to light brown, smooth or rough. $49.6-59 \times 26.4-32.5 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-II, Jan. 2007

S. schauinslandii (Lemm.) Defl.

Fig. 24

G. Huber-Pestalozzi, 381-382, Pl. 79, f. 827, 1955

Envelope, broadly rounded and slightly rhombic in the median part; tapering into a pointed tail posteriorly; with a relatively long, smooth, cylindrical neck, widening slightly at the opening anteriorly. Wall hyaline to yellow-brown, rough. Flagellum about body length. $22-36 \times 14-21 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-I, Jan. 2007

S. costata Defl.

Fig. 25

G. Huber-Pestalozzi, 386, Pl. 80, f. 840, 1955

Test obovate; broadly rounded posteriorly, abruptly ending in a long spine; anteriorly tapering into a cylindrical neck with serrated margins; chloroplasts many without pyrenoids. Wall rough, granular, yellow-brown in colour. Stigma oval, large, reddish. $62.3-64.7 \times 23-26.3 \mu$.

Habitat: Station G-I, Feb. 2007

S. urceolata* v. *hyaline (Swir.) Skv.

Fig. 26

Z. A. Asaul, 135, Pl. 68, f. 6-8, 1975

The present form differs from the type in being larger in size, gradually tapering at both ends and comparatively long tail.

Habitat: G-I, Feb. 2007

S. deflandrei (Roll) Defl.

Fig. 27

Z. A. Asaul, 133, Pl. 68, f. 1, 1975

Lorica broadly oval with sides sometime nearly parallel; rounded at the poles, bearing short, conical, blunt or pointed tail posteriorly; a short, wide neck, often obliquely cut, at the

anterior end. Envelop brown, rough. Flagellum about 2-2 ½ times the body length. 37.1-37.7 × 24-26.4 µ.

Habitat: Station G-I, Feb and Mar 2008

Genus- *Astasia* Ehr., 1830 em. Duj., 1841

***Astasia dangeardii* v. *parva* pringsh.**

Fig. 28

G. Huber-Pestalozzi, 435, Pl. 88, f. 898, 1955

Cell fusiform, narrowing at both ends; posterior half drawn into a short, blunt process. Pellicle faintly spirally striated. Paramylum many, oval granules. Flagellum about length or slightly more. Nucleus in posterior half of the cell. 31.1-37 × 10.4-14.2 µ.

Habitat: Station G-II, Mar 2008

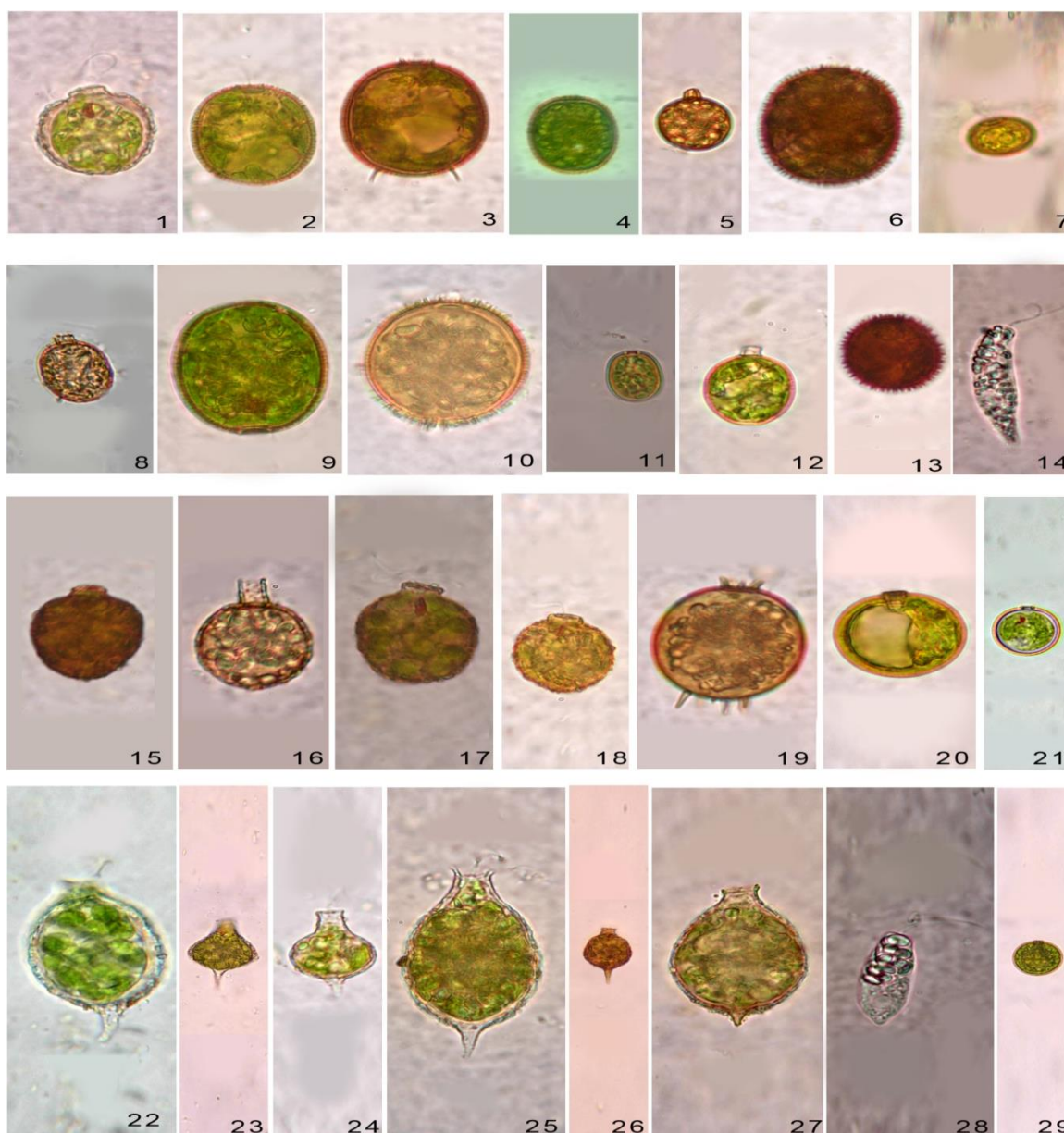
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Fig. 29

Asaul, p. 293, Pl. 189, f. 3

Cell fusiform; anterior end truncated, bilabiate with reservoir; posterior end flatended. Pellicle finely spirally striated. Paramylum small rod or discs, irregularly distributed. Flagellum about ¼ of body length or slightly more. Nucleus large. Spherical.

Habitat: Station G-II, Mar 2008.



- 1) *Trachelomonas acanthostoma* (Stokes) Deflandre 2) *T. armata* f. *involuta* Defl. 3) *T. armata* v. *steinii* Lemm. 4) *T. bacillifera* v. *globosa* Playf. 5) *T. bulla* Stein 6) *T. charkowiensis* Swirenko 7) *T. curta* Da. Cunha 8) *T. hispida* v. *crenulatocollis* f. *recta* Deflandre 9) *T. hispida* v. *crenulatocollis* (Masks) Lemm. 10) *T. intermedia* Dangeard 11) *T. lacustris* Drezepolski 12) *T. manginii* f. *subpunctata* Safon. 13) *T. oblonga* Lemm. 14) *T. ornate* (Swir.) Skv. 15) *T. planctonica* Swir. 16) *T. scabra* Playf. 17) *T. scabra* v. *longicollis* Playfair 18) *T. similis* Stokes 19) *T. superbav.wirenkiana* Deflandre 20) *T. varians* Defl. 21) *T. volvocina* v. *compressa* Defl. 22) *Strombomonas acuminata* (Schmarda) Defl. 23) *S. gibberosa* (Playf.) Defl. 24) *S. schauinslandii* (Lemm) Defl. 25) *S. costata* Define 26) *S. urceolata* v. *hyaline* (Swir.) Skv. 27) *S. deflandrei* (Roll) Defl. 28) *Astasia dangeardii* v. *parva* Pringsh. 29) *A. clava* E. G. Pringsh.

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