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# The Iranian Chrysididae (Hymenoptera), the current state of the art, with an updated checklist and description of eleven new species


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**ABSTRACT.** In recent years, the research on the Iranian Chrysididae has been extremely prolific, thanks to the efforts of different teams. After the first checklist published by Rosa et al. (2013), more than one hundred taxa of cuckoo wasps have been recorded as new for Iran, including nine taxa described as new for science. Moreover, major modifications impacted the taxonomy of the family with two genera reevaluated (*Chrysellampus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932 and *Colpopyga* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954), *Pseudochrysis* Semenow, 1891 reintroduced for *Pseudospinolia* Linsenmaier, 1951; the description of the genus *Morphochrysis* Rosa & Pavesi, 2023 and several taxonomical changes to species level which were published and that deeply changed the first checklist, namely. As a consequence of all these fragmented changes, we propose a new, updated checklist of the Iranian species, to summarize all the new findings published in the last years. We describe eleven new species for science, *Chrysis amerii* Rosa & Farhad, **sp. nov.**, *C. chamroshi* Rosa, **sp. nov.**, *C. crenulata* Rosa, **sp. nov.**, *C. edentata* Rosa & Baiocchi, **sp. nov.**, *C. peri* Rosa & Baiocchi, **sp. nov.** and *C. titanica* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (*succincta* group), *C. mediasignata* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (*leachii* group), *C. heimi* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (*maculicornis* group), *C. simurgh* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (*subsiniuata* group), *Chrysura filidichroa* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (*dichroa* group) and *Hedychridium personatum* Rosa, **sp. nov.** with its own new species-group. We report twenty-six new records of Chrysidinae for Iran: *Chrysidea disclusa* (Linsenmaier, 1959); *Chrysis afghanica* Linsenmaier, 1968; *C. cylindrica* Eversmann, 1858; *C. echidna* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967; *C. grohmanni boliovari* Mercet, 1902; *C. klio* Balthasar, 1953; *C. laetula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954; *C. leuconoe* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967; *C. maracandensis* Radoszkowski, 1877; *C. mirabilis* Radoszkovsky, 1877; *C. mossulensis* Abeille de Perrin-du Buysson, 1887; *C. pseudobrevitarsis* Linsenmaier, 1951; *C. robertsi* Rosa, 2020; *C. rutilans* Olivier, 1791; *C. turcomana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954; *Chrysura laodamia laodamia* (du Buysson, 1900); *Euchroeus pellucidus* (Radoszkowski, 1877); *Hedychridium bytinskii* Linsenmaier, 1959; *H. mochii* Strumia, 1994; *H. plagiatum* (Mocsáry, 1883); *Hedychrum concinnum* (Mocsáry, 1909); *H. semicyaneum* Mocsáry, 1889; *Spinolia stchurovskyi* (Radoszkowski, 1877); *Spintharina extrema* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954), and *S. houskai* (Balthasar, 1953). The current number of known taxa has therefore increased from 185 (179 species and 6 subspecies) to 315 (306 species + 9 subspecies). *Hedychrum persicum* Mocsáry, 1914 **stat. nov.** is upgraded to species rank. *Chrysis chrysophora* Semenow, 1892 and *Hedychrum cyaneum* Brullé, 1846 are considered *nomina dubia* and the latter as *incertae sedis*. *Chrysis dawahi* Strumia, 2012 is considered *nomen nudum*. The majority of chrysidid species in Iran (77.64%) are found exclusively in the Western Palaearctic region. Among these, 21% are restricted to the Western Palaearctic. A thorough discussion is also provided on unreliable and doubtful species records.

**Key words:** Cleptinae, Chrysidini, cuckoo wasps, distribution, Elampini, Parnopini

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## INTRODUCTION

In recent years, the study of cuckoo wasps in the Iranian fauna has attracted unprecedented interest, even surpassing that observed in neighboring countries. In about a decade, thanks to the efforts of various research groups, the number of known taxa has increased from 185 (179 species and 6 subspecies) known before this article, to 279 cited herein (271 species and 8 subspecies). The initial milestone in this rapid advancement was the publication of the first preliminary checklist of Iranian Chrysididae by Rosa et al. (2013), which marked the outset of an ongoing expansion in understanding this group's faunal diversity within Iran. In recent years, over twenty articles have been published to emphasize the richness of chrysidid fauna in Iran (Rosa & Lotfalizadeh, 2013; Rosa et al., 2013; Torabipour et al., 2013a, 2013b; Ebrahimi, 2015; Farhad et al., 2015a, 2015b; 2016a, 2016b, 2017, 2018, 2019; Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015; Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015, 2016; Strumia et al., 2016a, 2016b; Farzaneh et al., 2016,



2017; Iranmanesh et al., 2017; Falahatpisheh et al., 2019, 2020, 2021; Rosa, 2020). Furthermore, numerous discoveries and revisions in nomenclature and taxonomy involving Iranian chrysidids have significantly changed the previous classification of genera and species, compared to just a few years ago, and to the framework of the main world catalogue by Kimsey & Bohart (1991) (e.g. Rosa, 2017, 2018a, 2018b; Rosa & Vårdal, 2015, Rosa et al., 2015d, 2017a, 2017c, 2017d, 2023a, 2023b; Boustani & Rosa, 2022). In particular, some major changes impacted the classification of the chrysidid genera after the publication of the checklist by Rosa et al. (2013): *Chrysellampus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932 and *Colpopyga* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954 were reinstated (Rosa et al., 2015c; Rosa, 2017); the name *Pseudochrysis* Semenow, 1891 was reintroduced for *Pseudospinolia* Linsenmaier, 1951 (Rosa et al., 2017c); the genus *Morphochrysis* Rosa & Pavesi, 2023 was described to accommodate the species of the *pulchella* species-group (Rosa et al., 2023a), while members of the *inaequalis* species-group were confirmed to be *Pentachrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876 (Pauli et al., 2019), as previously suggested by Linsenmaier (1959a, 1968, 1999). Further changes involved species names and species concepts, as outlined in detail in the final discussions.

This publication aims to consolidate and summarize the diverse changes concerning the Iranian fauna, encompassing species composition, taxonomy, and nomenclature. These modifications, previously dispersed across various journals, are synthesized to offer an updated version of the previous checklist.

## MATERIAL AND METHODS

The present checklist includes data gathered from literature, museums and private collections. New materials were collected mostly in northern provinces (Gilan, Mazandaran, Alborz, and Qazvin) and southern provinces (Hormozgan, Kerman, and Fars) using the Malaise traps and sweep netting during the years 2010–2013, and are mostly conserved in the Iranian collections of the Department of Entomology, Faculty of Agriculture, Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran (TMUC). Other type specimens are deposited in the collection of the Museo Civico di Storia Naturale in Milan, Italy (MSNM). Important collections outside Iran with referenced Iranian materials are Natural History Museum Prague, Czech Republic (NHMP); NaturMuseum, Luzern, Switzerland (NMLU); Biodiversitätszentrum Oberösterreichische, Linz, Austria (BZL); Zoological Institute, St. Petersburg, Russia (ZIN) and the private collections of the first author (PRC), Daniele Baiocchi (Roma, Italy, DBC) and Marek Halada (Czech Republic, MHC).

In the present paper, we follow Linsenmaier (1968, 1987, 1997, 1999) for the definition of the geographic concept of Palestine, intended as the area currently composed of the modern State of Israel, the West Bank, and the Gaza Strip. In this sense, “Palestine” is considered as the geographical region in Western Asia without any reference to the current land claimed by the State of Israel. The definitions of holotype, neotype, lectotype, etc. are used according to the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (ICZN, 1999), fourth edition. Names of genera are listed alphabetically within tribes, and species names are listed alphabetically within genera. New records for Iran are asterisked (\*) in the distribution. The present checklist is intended as an emendation of the first one (Rosa et al., 2013), which is considered as the base-line for old citations. Historical records and citations for species already mentioned in the first checklist are therefore not reported here. Personal comments are enclosed in square brackets [ ]. Photographs of the specimens were taken with a Keyence VHX-970F with a VHX-7020 photo camera and the objective VH-Z20R/Z20T. Abbreviations used in the taxonomic part and the descriptions are as follows: descr. = description; fig. = figure; F1, F2, F3, etc. = flagellomeres 1, 2, 3, etc., respectively; MOD = median ocellus diameter (measured in frontal view); MS = malar space (the shortest distance between base of mandible and lowest margin of compound eye); OOL = oculo-ocellar line (the shortest distance between posterior ocellus and compound eye); P = pedicel; POL = posterior ocellar line (the shortest distance between posterior ocelli); S = metasomal sternum; T = metasomal tergum; tax. = taxonomic discussion.

## RESULTS

A total of 315 species of the family Chrysididae are recorded from Iran, divided into 25 genera, belonging to two subfamilies and three tribes, among which eleven new species are listed.

### *Taxonomic hierarchy*

**Class Insecta Linnaeus, 1758**

**Order Hymenoptera Linnaeus, 1758**

**Superfamily Chrysoidea Latreille, 1802**

**Family Chrysididae Latreille, 1802**

**Subfamily Cleptinae Latreille, 1802**

**Genus *Cleptes* Latreille, 1802**

*Cleptes* Latreille, 1802:316. Type species: *Sphex semiauratus* Linnaeus, 1761 [= *Cleptes semiauratus* (Linnaeus, 1761)], by monotypy.

### ***Cleptes semiauratus* (Linnaeus, 1761)**

*Sphex semiauratus* Linnaeus, 1761:413. Lectotype ♀ designated by Day, 1979:72; Sweden: Scania (type depository: London, Linnean Society).

*Cleptes semiauratus*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:17 (Alborz).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz). Widely distributed from Europe to Caucasus and Türkiye (Móczár, 2001).

**Remarks.** The specimen listed by Strumia & Fallahzadeh (2015) may refer to *Chrysis striatipleuris* Rosa, Forshage, Paukkunen & Soon, 2015, which is mostly distributed in the Southern Palaearctic. The identification of the two specimens cited by Strumia & Fallahzadeh (2015) was done before the revision of these two *Cleptes* species by Rosa et al. (2015b). A confirmation of the identification is needed.

### ***Cleptes splendidus* (Fabricius, 1794)**

*Ichneumon splendidus* Fabricius, 1794:457. Holotype ♂; Italy (Copenhagen).

*Cleptes hyrcanus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1920:322. Holotype ♂; Iran: Gorgan [former Astrabad], 3.v.1914, A. Kirichenko (St. Petersburg).

*Cleptes splendidus*: Rosa et al., 2013:4 (Golestan); Farzaneh et al., 2017:495 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Golestan). Widespread in the Palaearctic, namely Europe, Georgia, Türkiye, and Southern Russia (Móczár, 1997, 1998).

### ***Cleptes striatipleuris* Rosa, Forshage, Paukkunen & Soon, 2015**

*Cleptes striatipleuris* Rosa, Forshage, Paukkunen & Soon, 2015:547. Holotype ♂; Hungary: Verőce, 35 km N Budapest (Tartu).

*Cleptes striatipleuris*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2021:138 (Fars).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Fars: SE of Khomer, Kuh-e Barm Firuz, 30°25'24"N, 51°53'38"E, 2600m, 15.v.2013, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). South-eastern Europe, Caucasus, Russia, and USA (Rosa et al., 2015b, 2019).

### **Subfamily Chrysidinae Latreille, 1802**

**Tribe Elampini Dahlbom, 1854**

**Genus *Chrysellampus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932**

*Chrysellampus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932:5. Type species: *Ellampus heros* Semenow, 1892, by original designation. Junior subjective synonym of *Philoctetes* Abeille de Perrin, 1879 according to Kimsey & Bohart (1991) and Rosa et al. (2013). Genus revalidated by Rosa et al. (2015c).

***Chrysellampus medanae* (du Buysson, 1890)**

*Ellampus medanae* du Buysson [in Magretti], 1890:531. Lectotype ♀ designated by Rosa, 2009:244; Lebanon: Alei (Genoa).

*Philoctetes medanae*: Rosa et al., 2013:13 (Alborz, Golestan, Markazi, Qazvin).

*Chrysellampus medanae*: Iranmanesh et al., 2017:296 (key); Farhad et al., 2018:192 (key, Alborz, Qazvin).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Golestan, Markazi, Qazvin). Lebanon, Syria, Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysellampus pici* (du Buysson, 1900)**

*Ellampus pici* du Buysson, 1900:126. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Smyrne [currently İzmir] (Paris).

*Omalus (Chrysellampus) nigromaculatus* Linsenmaier, 1997:249. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Ankara (Luzern).

*Chrysellampus shestakovi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:119. Holotype ♂; Turkmenistan: Firyuza (St. Petersburg).

*Chrysellampus pici*: Iranmanesh et al., 2017:296 (key); Farhad et al., 2018:192 (key), 193 (Fars, Tehran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Tehran). Greece (Peloponnese and Rhodes) (Arens, 2014), Türkiye (du Buysson, 1900).

***Chrysellampus tatiana* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

*Chrysellampus tatiana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:120. Holotype ♂; Iran: East-Azarbaijan: Tabriz (St. Petersburg).

*Philoctetes tatiana*: Rosa et al., 2013:13.

*Chrysellampus tatiana*: Iranmanesh et al., 2017:294 (Kerman), 296 (key, fig. 2). Farhad et al., 2018:193 (Alborz Province); Farhad et al., 2018:192 (key), 193 (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kerman, Alborz, East-Azarbaijan). Central Asia (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

**Genus *Colpopyga* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954**

*Colpopyga* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954:137. Type species: *Hedychrum flavipes* Eversmann, 1858, by original designation. Junior subjective synonym of *Hedychridium* Abeille de Perrin, 1878 according to Linsenmaier (1959a), Kimsey & Bohart (1991) and Rosa et al. (2013). Palearctic species revised by Rosa (2017).

***Colpopyga flavipes rugulosa* (Linsenmaier, 1959)**

*Hedychridium (Hedychridium) flavipes rugulosum* Linsenmaier, 1959a:57. Holotype ♀; Cyprus: Limassol (Luzern).

*Hedychridium flavipes rugulosum*: Torabipour et al., 2013a (East-Azarbaijan); Ebrahimi, 2015:57 (East-Azarbaijan); Rosa et al., 2013:5 (East-Azarbaijan); Strumia et al., 2016b:52 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:495 (Fars); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:2 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Fars). West-Palaeartic, Cyprus, Palestine, Middle East; Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan; Northern Africa: Egypt (Linsenmaier, 1999).

**Genus *Elampus* Spinola, 1806**

*Elampus* Spinola, 1806:10. Type species: *Chrysis panzeri* Fabricius, 1804 [= *Elampus panzeri* (Fabricius, 1804)], by subsequent designation of Latreille, 1810:437.

***Elampus constrictus* (Förster, 1853)**

*Notozus constrictus* Förster, 1853:336. Holotype ♂; Germany: Aachen (Berlin).

*Elampus constrictus*: Rosa et al., 2013:4 (Markazi); Rosa, 2020:462 (Gilan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Gilan, Markazi). Palearctic, from Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968) to Europe, Russia and China (Rosa et al., 2014).

***Elampus eversmanni* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Elampus ambiguus* Eversmann, 1858:549. Holotype ♂; Russia: Saratov Prov. (Kraków), *nom. praeocc., nec* Dahlbom, 1854.

*Ellampus (Notozus) eversmanni* Mocsáry, 1889:80. Replacement name for *Elampus ambiguus* Eversmann, 1858.

*Elampus eversmanni*: Rosa et al., 2013:4 (Esfahan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Esfahan). Russia, Caucasus, Central Asia: Kazakhstan (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Elampus hyrcanus* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

*Notozus hyrcanus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:126. Holotype ♂; Iran: near Gorgan [former Astrabad], 27.iv.1914, A. Kirichenko (St. Petersburg).

*Elampus hyrcanus*: Rosa et al., 2013:4 (Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan) (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).

***Elampus kashmirensis* (Nurse, 1902)**

*Notozus kashmirensis* Nurse, 1902:305. Lectotype ♀ designated by Kimsey, 1986; Pakistan: Kashmir, on the banks of Jhelum (London).

*Elampus kashmirensis*: Iranmanesh et al., 2017:296 (Kerman), 301 (fig. 3E-F); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:2 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kerman). Pakistan (Nurse, 1902).

***Elampus panzeri* (Fabricius, 1804)**

*Chrysis scutellaris* Panzer, 1798:11, *nom. praeocc., nec* Fabricius, 1794. Type unknown; Germany (type depository probably Berlin).

*Chrysis Panzeri* Fabricius, 1804:172, replacement name for *Chrysis scutellaris* Panzer, 1798.

*Elampus panzeri*: Rosa, 2020:462 (Kordestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kordestan). Euroasiatic, from Europe to China (Heilongjiang) (Rosa et al., 2014).

***Elampus sidus* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

*Notozus sidus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:121. Holotype ♂; Iran: Shakhrud [Shahrud, Semnan province] (St. Petersburg).

*Elampus sidus*: Rosa et al., 2013:5 (Semnan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Semnan) (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).

***Elampus spina* (Lepeletier, 1806)**

*Hedychrum spinus* Lepeletier, 1806:121. Holotype ♀ [not ♂]; France: Meudon (Paris or Turin).

*Elampus spina*: Rosa, 2020:462 (Hamadan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hamadan). West Palaearctic, from Southern Europe and Northern Africa to Russia and Central Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Elampus violascens* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Ellampus (Notozus) violascens* Mocsáry, 1889:81. Holotype ♀; Uzbekistan: Taschkent (Krakow).

*Elampus violascens*: Ebrahimi, 2015:55 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi). Central Asian countries (du Buysson, 1891–1896; Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954; Linsenmaier, 1959a; Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

**Remarks.** *Elampus violascens* was also recorded by Torabipour et al. (2013a), as it was already examined and confirmed. However, figure 1C refers to another species, *Chrysis insperata* Chevrier, 1870, possibly due to incorrect labelling and photographing of these two taxa.

**Genus *Haba* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954**

*Haba* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954:143. Type species: *Holopyga almasyana* Mocsáry, 1911. Original designation.

***Haba colonialis* (Mocsáry, 1911)**

*Holopyga colonialis* Mocsáry, 1911:449. Holotype ♂; Eritrea, Keren (Budapest).

*Haba colonialis*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:3 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Eritrea, UAE, and Saudi Arabia, appear to be widespread in the Arabian Peninsula (Falahatpisheh et al., 2019).



***Haba persica* Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2016**

*Haba biroi*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:16 (Buyer Ahmad, Fars).

*Haba persica* Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2016:359. Holotype ♀; Iran: Kohgiluyeh and Buyer Ahmad, Sisakht, 2370 m, 30°52'N, 51°25'E, 7.v.2008, leg. D. Gianasso (paratype from Fars) (Pisa).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kohgiluyeh and Buyer Ahmad).

**Genus *Hedychridium* Abeille de Perrin, 1878**

*Hedychridium* Abeille de Perrin, 1878:3. Type species: *Hedychrum minutum* Lepeletier, 1806 [= *Hedychridium ardens* (Coquebert, 1801)], by subsequent designation of Ashmead, 1902:227.

***Hedychridium biskranum* Linsenmaier, 1999**

*Hedychridium* (*Hedychridium*) *biskranum* Linsenmaier, 1999:85. Holotype ♀; Algeria: Biskra, 25.v.1948, leg. R.M. Naef (Luzern).

*Hedychridium biskranum*: Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Strumia et al., 2016b:52 (Fars); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:3 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Algeria (Linsenmaier, 1999), Türkiye (Strumia et al., 2016b).

**Remarks.** The identification of *Hedychridium biskranum* is considered doubtful and the recorded specimens may refer to another species of the *H. roseum* species-group based on biogeographical data. At the moment, *Hedychridium biskranum* is known with certainty only on the holotype, collected in Biskra (Algeria) (Rosa et al., 2022). The identification was based on Linsenmaier's (1999) key for the Chrysididae of Northern Africa, without type examination. However, the species concept is unclear because *H. biskranum* belongs to the most complicated species-group in the genus *Hedychridium*, and its description is challenging as it is based on variable diagnostic characters. Strumia et al. (2016b) reported the discovery of an additional two specimens of *H. biskranum* collected in Türkiye. However, no further details such as descriptions, illustrations, or images were provided to substantiate their identification. We suppose that the specimens examined may belong to one of the other species recently described by Arens (2010) for Anatolia, and therefore not keyed in Linsenmaier (1999), or to a Central Asian species described by Semenov-Tian-Shanskij (Rosa et al., 2017a). Strumia did not consider Semenov's publications (Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015) and Arens' work (2010).

***Hedychridium bytinskii* Linsenmaier, 1959 (Fig. 1A-F)**

*Hedychridium bytinskii* Linsenmaier, 1959a:53. Holotype ♀; Palestine: Bet Lid (NMLU).

**Material examined.** 1♀, IRAN (Zanġān) 1660m., SW of Sorkhed Dizaj, 36°47'42"N, 48°52'15"E, 2.vi.2011, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Zanjan). Greece, Palestine, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1968).

***Hedychridium coriaceum* (Dahlbom, 1854)**

*Hedychrum coriaceum* Dahlbom, 1854:88. Lectotype ♀ designated by Morgan, 1984:10; Poland: Glogovia (Lund).

*Hedychridium coriaceum*: Strumia et al., 2016b:52 (Khuzestan, Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khuzestan, Fars). West Palaearctic, known from Europe and Türkiye, with a subspecies in Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Hedychridium davydovi* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

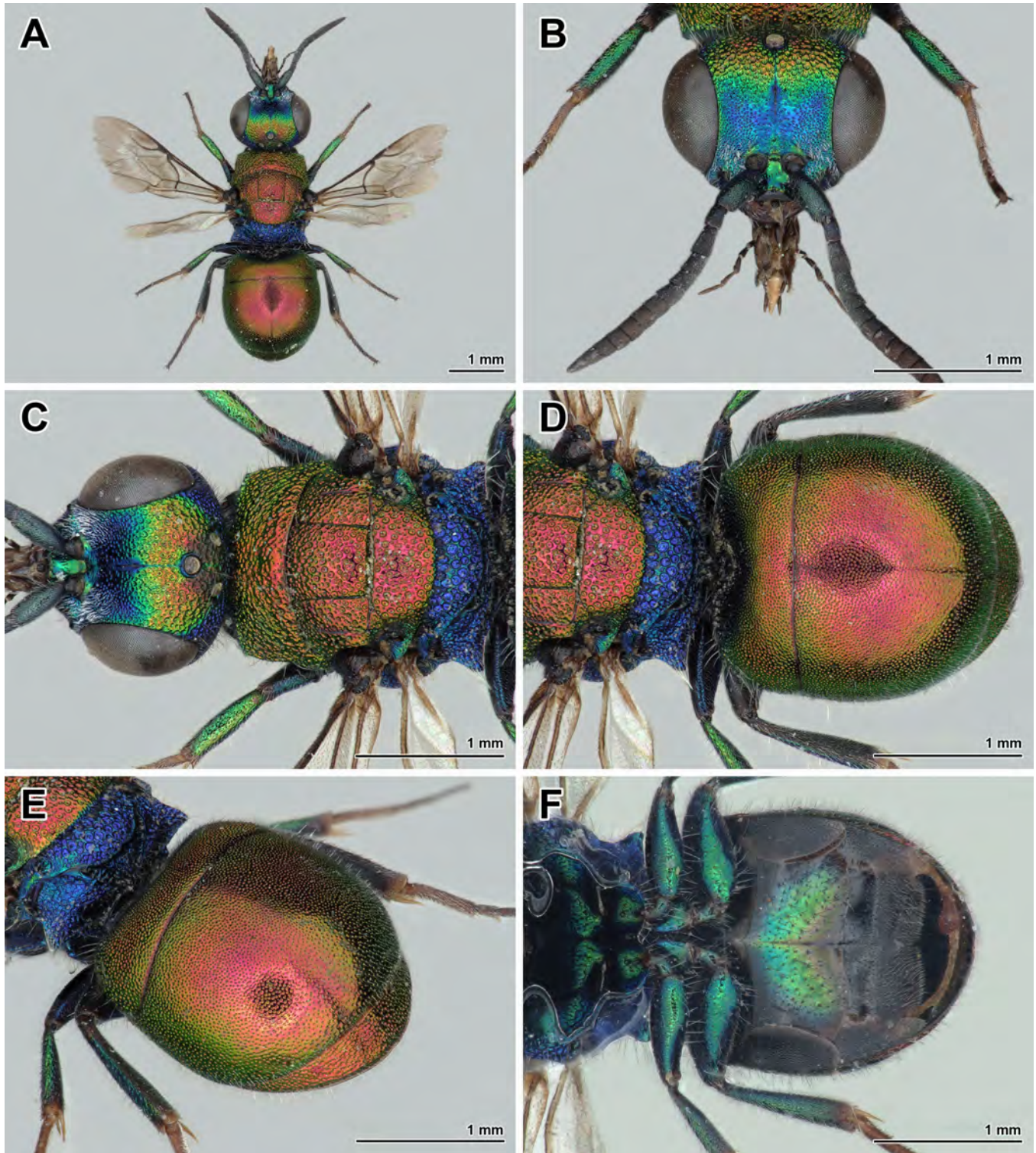
*Zarudnidium davydovi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:111. Holotype ♂; Palestine: Wadi-Kumera (St. Petersburg).

*Hedychridium moricei davydovi*: Rosa et al., 2013:6 (East-Azarbaijan).

*Hedychridium moricei chrysurum* Linsenmaier, 1969:373; Strumia et al., 2016b:55 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:895 (Fars).

*Holopyga chrysonota appliata* Linsenmaier, 1959a:186; Iranmanesh et al., 2017:298 (Kerman), 301 (fig. 3G).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Kerman). Palestine (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).



**Figure 1.** *Hedychridium bytinskii* Linsenmaier, 1959, female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metanotum, scutellum, propodeum and metasoma, dorsal view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Hedychridium dzhanelidzei* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Hedychridium* (*Hedychridium*) *dzhanelidzei* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:128. Holotype ♀; Georgia: Tbilisi (St. Petersburg).  
*Hedychridium dzhanelidzei*: Rosa et al., 2013:5 (East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Georgia (Rosa et al., 2017a).



***Hedychridium erschovi* (Radoszkowski, 1877)**

*Hedychrum erschovi* Radoszkowski, 1877:6. Syntypes ♀♀ [not ♂♂]; Uzbekistan: Zarafshan valley & Fergana (Moscow). *Euchrum turanum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij [in Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya], 1954:103. Holotype ♂; Kazakhstan: Djulek Syr-Darja Geb.[iet], 12.VI.1912, leg. L. Wollmann (St. Petersburg) [Iran is given in the type series, without precise locality].

*Hedychridium chloropygum* var. *caputaureum* Trautmann & Trautmann, 1919:32; Rosa et al., 2013:5.

**Distribution.** Iran (without locality). Central Asia: Kyrgyzstan, Tadjikistan, Turkmenia, Uzbekistan (Rosa et al., 2017a).

**Remarks.** Kimsey & Bohart (1991) synonymised *Hedychridium erschovi* (Radoszkowski, 1877) and *Hedychridium turanum* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954) with *Hedychridium roseum* (Rossi, 1790). The first was revalidated by Rosa et al. (2015a) and the second was considered conspecific with *H. erschovi* by Rosa et al. (2017a). In the previous checklist of Iran, *H. turanum* was considered a synonym of *H. caputaureum* following the interpretation of Linsenmaier (1968).

***Hedychridium femoratum* (Dahlbom, 1854)**

*Hedychrum femoratum* Dahlbom, 1854:90. Holotype ♀; Austria (Vienna) (*ardens* group).

*Hedychridium femoratum*: Farhad et al., 2016b:4 (Hormozgan), 5 (fig. 4); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:3 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan). Central and Southern Europe (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1987), Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

***Hedychridium feritatum* Linsenmaier, 1959**

*Hedychridium aheneum feritatum* Linsenmaier, 1959b:235. Holotype ♂; Palestine (Luzern).

*Hedychridium aheneum* (Dahlbom, 1854): Torabipour et al., 2013a:5 (East-Azarbaijan); Ebrahimi, 2015:56 (East-Azarbaijan); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars). Strumia et al., 2016b:52 (Fars).

*Hedychridium feritatum*: Rosa, 2020:462 (Mazandaran), 473 (figs 1, 3, 5).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Mazandaran). Palestine (Linsenmaier, 1959b).

***Hedychridium flos* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954)**

*Cyrteuchrum flos* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij [in Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya], 1954:105. Holotype ♀; Kazakhstan: Imam-baba, 25.V.1912, leg. W. Koshantschikoff (St. Petersburg).

*Cyrteuchrum redikortzevi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:135. Holotype ♀; Iran: Gorgan [former Astrabad], 9–12.viii.1912 (ZIN).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan). Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (Rosa et al., 2017a).

**Remarks.** The specimen listed by Rosa et al. (2013) in “material examined” was misidentified and belongs to the species herein described as *Hedychridium personatum* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (see below).

***Hedychridium hofferi* Balthasar, 1953**

*Hedychridium hofferi* Balthasar, 1953:139. Holotype ♀; Jordan: Wadi el Kelt (Prague).

*Hedychridium hofferi*: Linsenmaier, 1959a:61 (Palestine).

*Hedychridium hofferi*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:3 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palestine (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

***Hedychridium jucundum* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Holopyga* (*Hedychridium*) *iucunda* Mocsáry, 1889:150. Syntypes ♂, ♀; Hungary; Austria (Budapest) (*ardens* group).

*Holopyga* (*Hedychridium*) *jucundum*: Dalla Torre, 1892:27. Incorrect subsequent spelling in current use.

*Hedychridium jucundum*: Móczár, 1964:446. Lectotype designation: ♀; Hungary [not France]: Isaszeg (Budapest).

*Hedychridium jucundum*: Strumia et al., 2016b:53 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Euroasiatic, from Southern and Central Europe (Linsenmaier, 1959a) to Russia and Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).



***Hedychridium meda* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954)**

*Psacas meda* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954:145. Holotypus ♂; Iran: Luristan [currently Khuzestan], near Akhvaz, upstream of Karun River (St. Petersburg).

*Hedychridium meda*: Rosa et al., 2013:5 (Khuzestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khuzestan).

***Hedychridium miramae* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Hedychridium miramae* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:128. Holotype ♀; Iran: Nerduali, Meshkhed (St. Petersburg).

*Hedychridium miramae*: Rosa et al., 2013:6 (Khorasan-e Razavi); Farhad et al., 2016b:5 (Hormozgan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan, Khorasan-e Razavi).

***Hedychridium mochii* Strumia, 1994 (Fig. 2A-F)**

*Hedychridium mochii* Strumia, 1994:155. Holotype ♀; Myanmar: Rangoon, 24.ii.1972, leg. A. Mochi (Turin).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Kermanshah Province: Bar Aftar, 3.iv.2011, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Kermanshah). Myanmar (Strumia, 1994).

**Remarks.** *Hedychridium mochii* was known only from the holotype collected in Myanmar. The type was examined in Turin and matches the Iranian specimen for its outstanding diagnostic characters, such as the arched median vein of the anterior wing (straight in *Hedychridium monochroum* du Buysson, 1888), the length of the second tarsus of the posterior leg, much shorter than the third (as long as the third in *H. monochroum*); the mesosomal punctation with large and deep punctures when compared to the similar *Hedychridium monochroum*. The species is very likely distributed in all countries between Iran and Myanmar, as in the case of *H. monochroum*, but has never been recorded before for its small dimensions and probably for its unknown ecology and biology.

***Hedychridium modestum* du Buysson, 1900**

*Hedychridium modestum* du Buysson, 1900:129. Lectotype ♂ designated by Kimsey in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:199; Egypt: Elephantine (Paris).

*Hedychridium modestum*: Strumia et al., 2016b:53 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Egypt, Palestine (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Hedychridium monochroum* du Buysson, 1888**

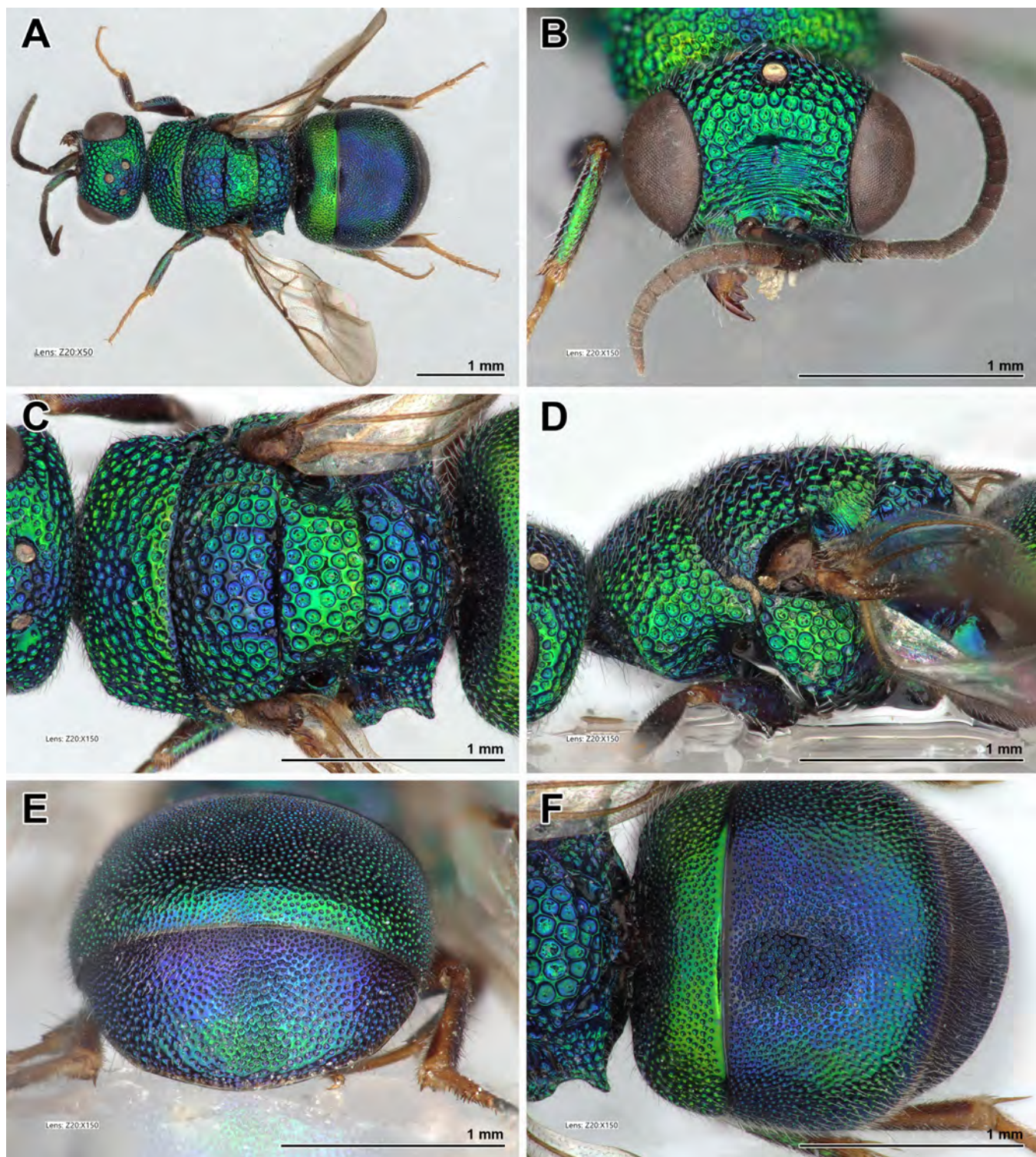
*Hedychridium monochroum* du Buysson, 1888:3. Holotype ♀; France: Marseille (Paris?) (*monochroum* group).

*Hedychridium monochroum*: Strumia et al., 2016b:53 (Fars); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:495 (Fars).

*Hedychridium monochroum farsensis* Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2016:53 (Fars). Holotype ♀; Iran: Fars Province, Kheramh, 29°30'42"N, 53°18'55"E, 25.vi.2013, leg. E. Izadi (Pisa), **syn. nov.** Iranmanesh et al., 2017:297 (Kerman); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:3 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kerman). Trans-Palaeartic from Europe to Armenia, Southern Caucasus, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and the Oriental Region (Rosa et al., 2017a).

**Remarks.** *Hedychridium monochroum* is well known for being a chromatically variable species (Martynova, 2017), which is widespread and distributed from Western Europe to the Oriental region (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991). The finding of a sympatric subspecies, *H. monochroum farsensis*, in the same localities of *H. monochroum monochroum* arises some doubts on the real status of this taxon, considering that the very short description of *farsensis* is based solely on colouration. Waiting for molecular analysis and a morphological re-evaluation of *H. m. farsensis*, we consider it as one of the colour variations and therefore a synonym of *H. monochroum*.



**Figure 2.** *Hedychridium mochii* Strumia, 1994, female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, posterior view; **F.** Metasoma, dorsal view.

***Hedychridium moricei* du Buysson, 1904**

*Hedychridium moricei* du Buysson, 1904:256. Holotype ♂; Greece: Zakynthos (Oxford).  
*Hedychridium moricei*: Strumia et al., 2016b:55 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars) (Strumia et al., 2016b). Southern Europe, Azerbaijan, Caucasus, Türkiye and the Middle East (Rosa et al., 2013).



***Hedychridium mysticum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912**

*Hedychridium mysticum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912:177. Holotype ♂; Iran: Bampur (St. Petersburg).

*Hedychridium mysticum*: Rosa et al., 2013:6 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan). India (Rosa & Halada, 2021).

***Hedychridium palestinense* Balthasar, 1953**

*Hedychridium sculpturatum* var. *palestinense* Balthasar, 1953:145. Syntypes ♂, ♀; Palestine: Jerusalem (Prague).

*Hedychridium maculiventre* Linsenmaier, 1959a:63. Unnecessary replacement name for *H. palestinense* Balthasar, 1953.

*Hedychridium palestinense*: Rosa et al., 2013:6 (Qazvin, Markazi); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:4 (Fars).

*Hedychridium maculisternum*: Arens, 2011:316 (replacement name for *Hedychridium maculiventre* Linsenmaier, 1959); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:17 (Fars); Strumia et al., 2016b:53 (Fars); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:297 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kerman, Markazi, Qazvin). Armenia, Palestine (Balthasar, 1953); Central Asia: Kyrgyzstan (Linsenmaier, 1997).

**Remarks.** The name *Hedychridium palestinense* Balthasar, 1953 is the valid name for this taxon (Arens, 2010). The replacement name *Hedychridium maculisternum* Arens, 2011 was given to replace the name of *Hedychridium maculiventre* Linsenmaier, 1959 proposed for a Balkan species, which is not present in Iran.

***Hedychridium personatum* Rosa, sp. nov. (Figs 3A–F, 4A–D)**

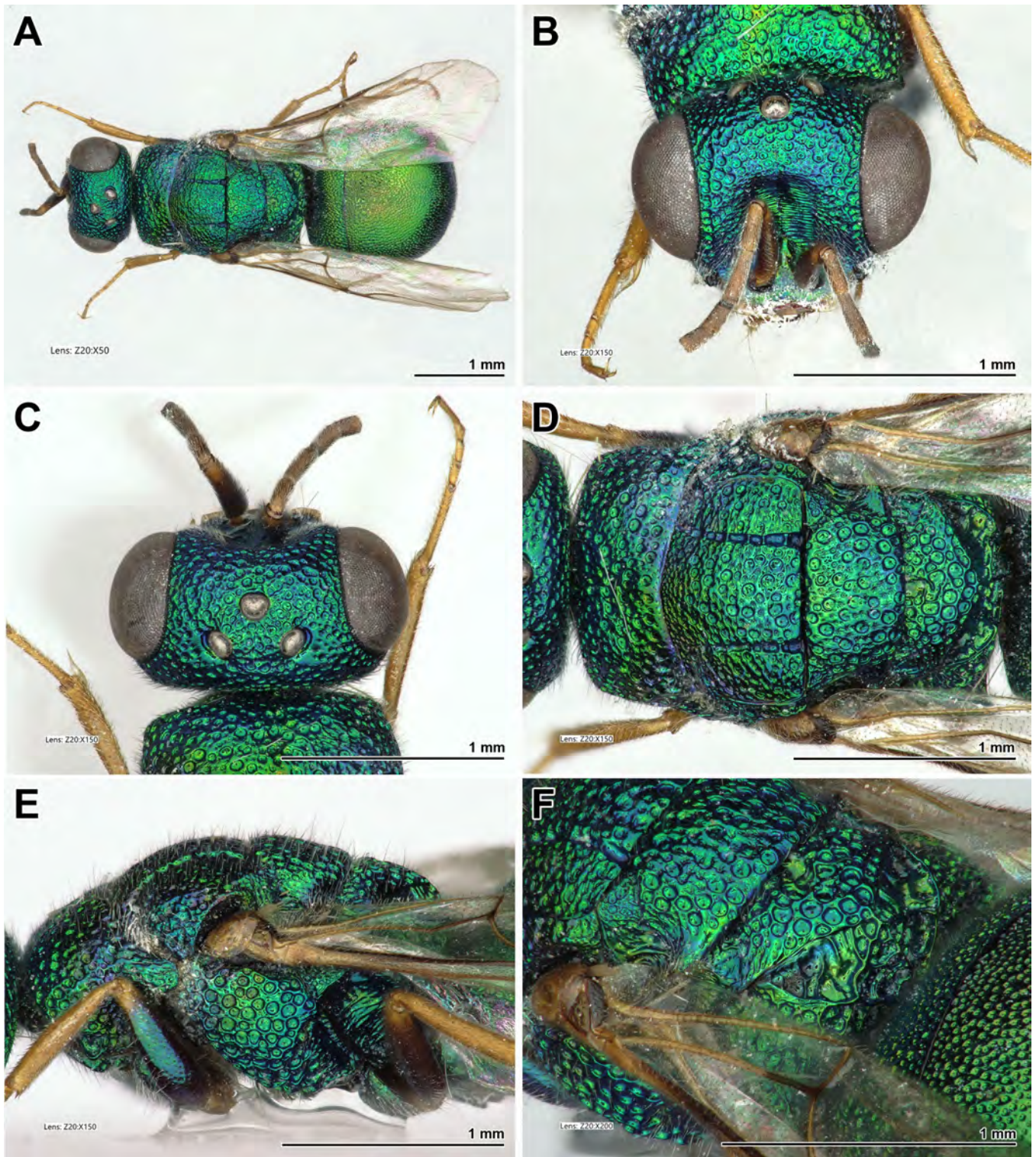
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**Material examined.** Holotype ♀; IRAN, Hormozgan province: Bandar Abbas, Zakin, 27°28'53"N, 56°18'27"E, 680 m, 23.V.2011, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Diagnosis.** *Hedychridium personatum* sp. nov. belongs to a new species-group characterised by the combination of the following characters, such as (in order of importance): metapectal-propodeal complex with a unique structure of the metapostnotum, the median area delimited by metanotum and the metapostnotal-propodeal suture, strongly raised and angulate, mask-shaped (Fig. 3F); third tergum with swollen apical margin (Fig. 4C), as in the genus *Hedychrum* Latreille; apex of clypeus medially with wide, brown, triangular truncation, laterally with two yellowish-hyaline substraight expansions (Figs 3B, C); elongate pedicel ( $l/w = 3.1$ ) and first flagellomere ( $l/w = 4.7$ ) (Fig. 3B). The following diagnostic characters are shared with one or more species-groups, but in different combinations: head transversal (Fig. 3B) ( $l/w = 1.8$ , measured from anterior ocellus to anterior clypeal margin/the widest eye distance); scapal basin narrow, transversely deeply striate (Fig. 3B); metaleg with second tarsomere elongate, as long as third tarsomere; antennae light brown with scape weakly metallic (Fig. 3B); legs with femur and tarsi yellowish; costal vein, stigma, medial vein + cubitus medio-distally dark brown, other veins light brownish (Figs 3A, F).

**Description.** — Holotype ♀ (Figs 3A–F, 4A–D). Body length 4.1 mm, wing length 3.1 mm (Fig. 3A).

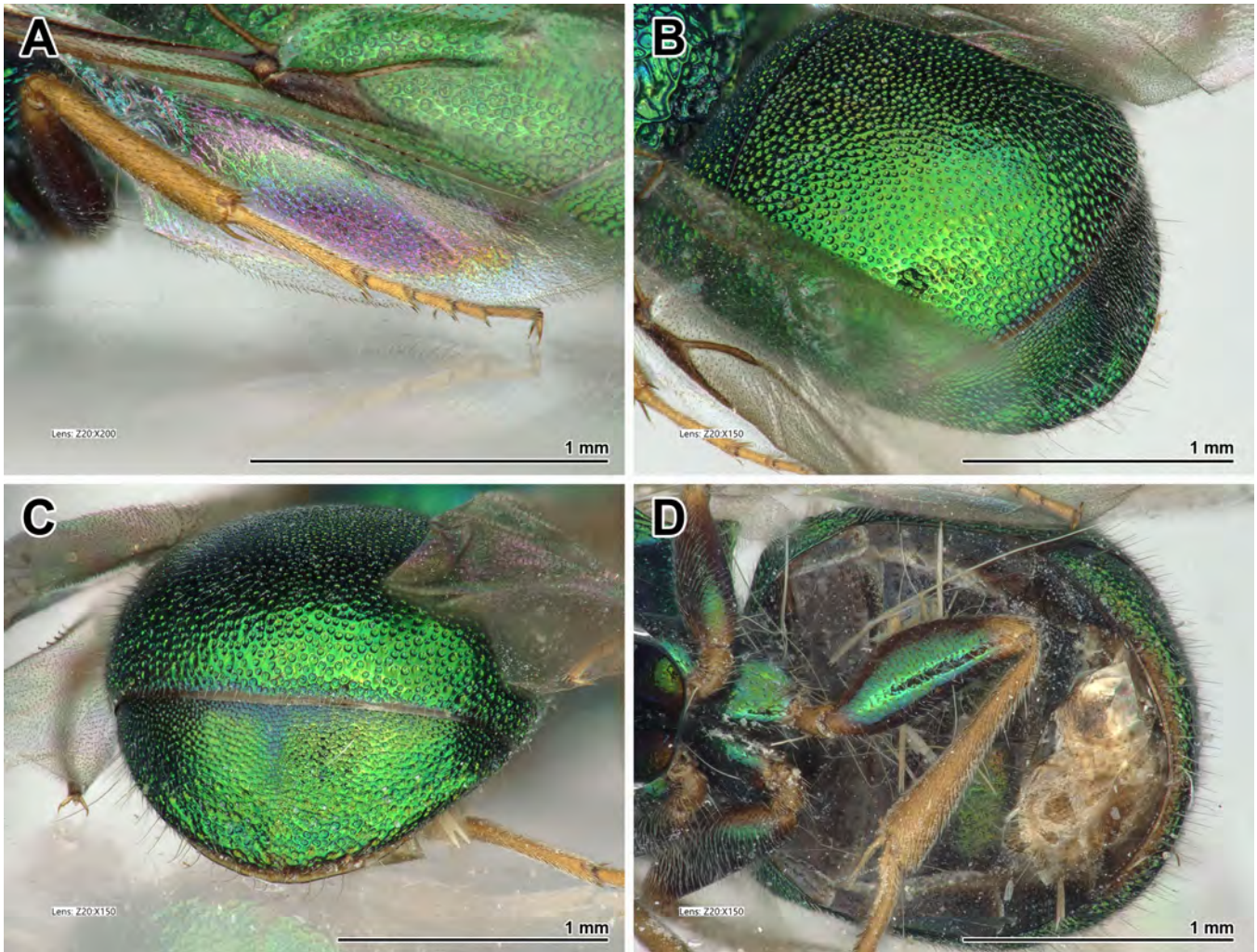
**Head.** Head transversal (Fig. 3B) ( $l/w = 1.8$ , measured from anterior ocellus to anterior clypeal margin/the widest eye distance); vertex, ocellar area, brow between anterior ocellus and scapal basin with shallow and small punctures ( $0.1\text{--}0.3\times \text{MOD}$ ), denser towards compound eye and between scapal basin and eye, with dense punctures until malar space; area between brow apically and on upper margin of scapal basin dotted, without large punctures; scapal basin with median area transversely deeply striate ( $2.4\times \text{MOD}$ ), laterally micropunctate (Fig. 3B), each puncture bringing short white seta; punctation from posterior ocelli to temples scattered, with wide impunctate area postero-laterad posterior ocelli; fovea adjacent to posterior ocellus deep and elongate, as long as ocellus (Fig. 3C); posterior ocelli connected by thin line; subantennal space short,  $0.7\times \text{MOD}$ ; apex of clypeus medially with wide, brown, triangular truncation, laterally with two yellowish-hyaline substraight expansions; clypeus largely polished or with scattered dots. Distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of scapal basin =  $2.0\times \text{MOD}$ . OOL  $1.4\times \text{MOD}$ ; POL  $1.5\times \text{MOD}$ ; MS  $1.0\times \text{MOD}$ ; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.2:0.7:0.7.



**Figure 3.** *Hedychridium personatum* Rosa, **sp. nov.**, female, holotype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Head, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **E.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **F.** Mesosoma, postero-lateral view.

*Mesosoma.* Medial pronotal furrow shallow, as median, wide antero-depression; pronotum with small punctures ( $0.2\text{--}0.3\times$  MOD), from contiguous to largely separated by 1 puncture diameter, with transversally weakly wrinkled interspaces medially; punctation on mesonotum similar, with small to medium punctures up to  $0.5\times$  MOD distinctly separated; weakly wrinkled interspaces on mesoscutum





**Figure 4.** *Hedychridium personatum* Rosa, **sp. nov.**, female, holotype. **A.** Mesoleg, lateral view; **B.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **C.** Metasoma, posterior view; **D.** Metasoma, ventral view.

and weakly rugose on scutellum; notauli formed by deep, metallic, sub-rectangular foveae, as large as largest punctures on mesoscutum; parapsidal signum deep and distinct; mesoscutellum antero-medially largely polished; scutellar-metanotal suture deep, elongate and almost overposed and continuing the mesoscutal-scutellar suture; posterior propodeal projections straight angled, blunt; mesopleuron without sulci, with large punctures contiguous along margins. Radial 1 vein short and as long as Radial 2 vein; Radial 2 continues towards wing margin as thin vein; medial vein gently arched.

*Metasoma.* Frontal declivity straight, without depressions; first tergum with even, dense, contiguous, and small punctures; second tergum with small and dense punctures on basal half, becoming smaller and scattered on second half, whereas along margins punctures are larger and denser (Fig. 4B); third tergum with very small, aligned punctures on basal half, becoming larger and denser towards apical margin; apical margin swollen before extended, dark hyaline marginal rim (Fig. 4C); second sternum fully green metallic on second half, with small, dense puncture.

*Colouration.* Body entirely green metallic; antennae light brown with scape weakly metallic (Fig. 3B); tegula brown, non-metallic; legs with femur and tarsi yellowish; costal vein, stigma, medial vein + cubitus medio-distally dark brown, other veins light brownish (Fig. 3A-F).

*Vestiture.* Head and mesosoma with short, dense greyish to whitish setae as long as  $1 \times \text{MOD}$ ; metasoma laterally with longer, erect setae ( $1.5 \times \text{MOD}$ ).

**Male.** Unknown.

**Etymology.** The specific epithet *personatum* derives from the Latin adjective *personatus* (masked) and refers to the mask-shaped metapostnotum, strongly raised and angulate, which is the modified structure of metapectal-propodeal complex characterizing this self-standing species-group.

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Hormozgan).

**Remarks.** The newly described *Hedychridium personatum* species-group can be immediately separated from other groups by the shape of the metapectal-propodeal complex, which is a key character. Only another species-group within *Hedychridium*, namely the *plagiatum* group, has a highly modified metapectal-propodeal complex not conform to the type species of the genus *Hedychridium*. It was already observed that the *plagiatum* group is the most basal of all the Elampini genera, based on multigene molecular analyses (Pauli et al., 2019) and we expect that also the *personatum* group can be considered as a monophyletic group. The classification of the genus *Hedychridium* requires major revision, including the revalidation of Semenov-Tian-Shanskij's (1954) genera, currently placed in the synonymy of *Hedychridium* by Linsenmaier (1968) and Kimsey & Bohart (1991). The structure of the metapectal-propodeal complex was always neglected in the study of Chrysididae, but it is a key character, as in the sister family of Bethyridae (Kawada et al., 2015; Lanes et al., 2020), based on morphological examination of all the Old World species-groups.

#### *Hedychridium plagiatum* (Mocsáry, 1883) (Fig. 5A–D)

*Hedychrum plagiatum* Mocsáry, 1883:14. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Brussa [= Bursa] (Budapest).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Fars, E of Khomer Kuh-e Barm Firuz, 2730 m, 30°26'31"N, 51°54'13"E, 15.v.2013, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Fars). South-eastern Europe to Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

#### *Hedychridium smaragdinum* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954)

*Homaleuchrum smaragdinum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954:143. Holotype ♂; Iran: Bampur, 27.IV.1901, N. Zarudnij (St. Petersburg).

*Hedychridium smaragdinum*: Rosa et al., 2013:6 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan).

#### *Hedychridium subaheneum* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Hedychridium* (*Hedychridium*) *incrassatum* ssp. *subaheneum* Linsenmaier, 1959a:55. Holotype ♀; Morocco: Tafraout (Lausanne).

*Hedychridium* (*Hedychridium*) *subaheneum*: Linsenmaier, 1999:76 (*incrassatum* group).

*Hedychridium subaheneum*: Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Strumia et al., 2016b:56 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Morocco and Palestine (Linsenmaier, 1999).

**Remarks.** Iranian records need confirmation.

#### *Hedychridium verhoeffi* Linsenmaier, 1959

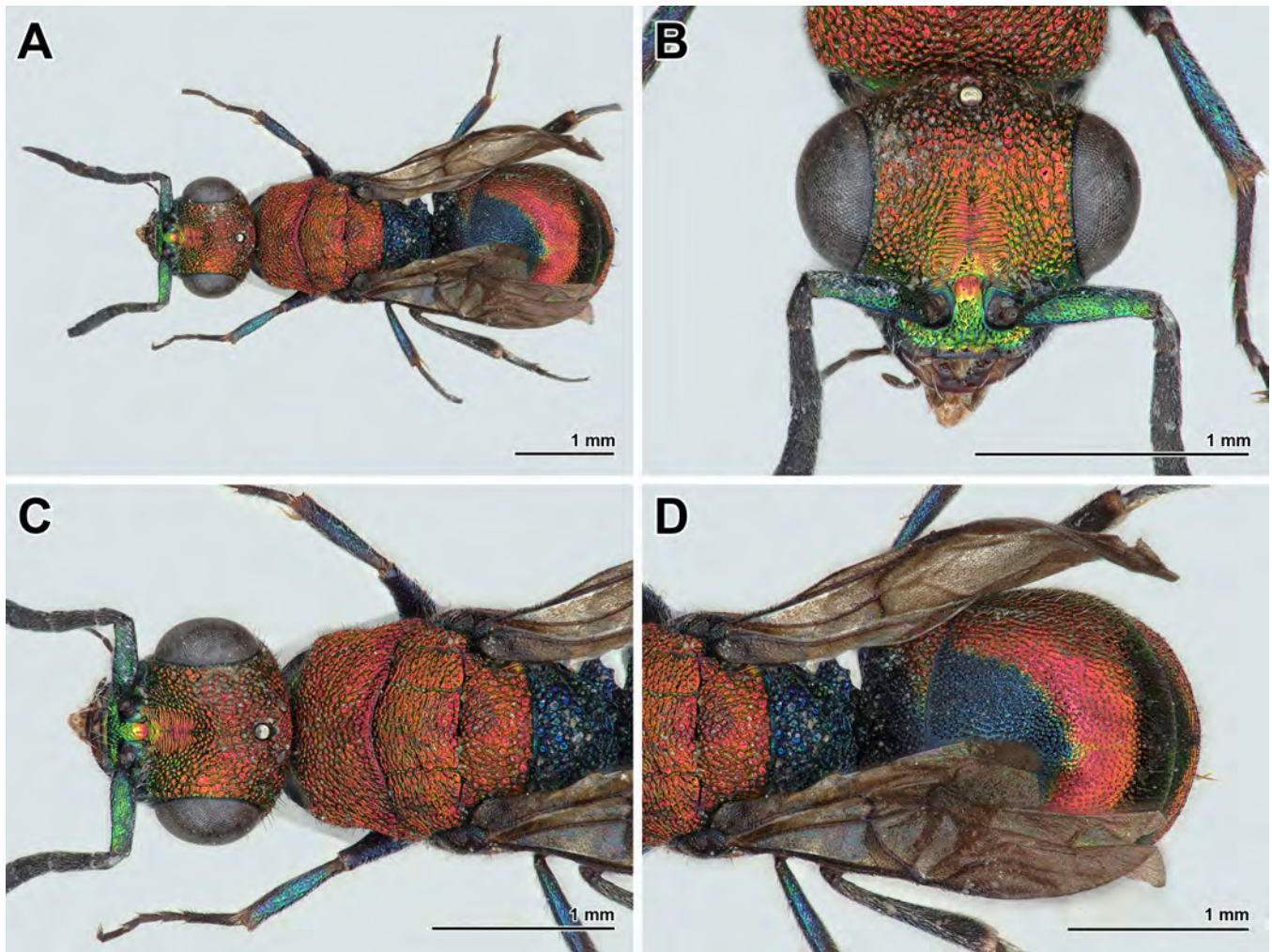
*Hedychridium* (*Hedychridium*) *verhoeffi* Linsenmaier, 1959a:50. Holotype ♂; Greece: Corfu IsI. (Luzern).

*Hedychridium verhoeffi*: Farhad et al., 2016b:2 (Hormozgan), 4 (fig. 3).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Tehran, 10 km N of Ziaran, 36°07'00"N, 50°39'25"E, 2100m, 4.vi.2012, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan, Tehran). Greece, Rhodes Is., Palestine, Türkiye; Egypt (Linsenmaier, 1968, 1987).





**Figure 5.** *Hedychridium plagiatum* (Mocsáry, 1883), female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, dorsal view.

### *Hedychridium virescens* (du Buysson, 1908)

*Hedychridium aheneum* var. *virescens* du Buysson, 1908a:23. Lectotype ♂ designated by Strumia, 2004:482. Egypt: El Marg (Ezbet El Nahl) (Paris).

*Hedychridium* (*Hedychridium*) *virescens*: Linsenmaier, 1968:34.

*Hedychridium virescens*: Farhad et al., 2016b:2 (diag., Hormozgan), 3 (fig. 2).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan). Palestine, Saudi Arabia; Northern Africa: Egypt, Tunisia, with a subspecies in Algeria (Linsenmaier, 1999).

### Genus *Hedychrum* Latreille, 1802

*Hedychrum* Latreille, 1802:317. Type species: *Chrysis lucidula* Fabricius, 1775 (= *Sphex nobilis* Scopoli, 1763 [= *Hedychrum nobile* (Scopoli, 1763)]), by monotypy.

### *Hedychrum aureicolle* Mocsáry, 1889

*Hedychrum aureicolle* Mocsáry, 1889:168. Lectotype ♀ designated by Móczár, 1964:440; Greece: Rhodes (Budapest).

*Hedychrum aureicolle*: Torabipour et al., 2013a:7; Ebrahimi, 2015:60 (Ardabil).

*Hedychrum aureicolle*: Rosa et al., 2013:6 (Gilan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Ardabil, Gilan). Caucasus, Cyprus, Greece, Palestine, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968).



***Hedychrum azrael* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Hedychrum azrael* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:141. Holotype ♀; Iran: Khuzestan (St. Petersburg).  
*Hedychrum azrael*: Rosa et al., 2013:7 (Khuzestan).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Kurdistan province: Paniran, 35°01'19.2"N, 46°59'06"E, 1430m, 15.v.2016, leg. M. Kafka (MHC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khuzestan, Kurdistan).

***Hedychrum caucasicum* Mocsáry, 1889**

*Hedychrum virens* var. *caucasicum* Mocsáry, 1889:171. Holotype ♂; Azerbaijan: Helenendorf [= Goygol] (Vienna).  
*Hedychrum virens caucasicum*: Rosa et al., 2013:8 (East-Azarbaijan).  
*Hedychrum caucasicum*: Rosa, 2018a:9.

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Caucasus (Rosa, 2018a).

***Hedychrum concinnum* (Mocsáry, 1909)**

*Wollmannia concinna* Mocsáry, 1909:2. Holotype ♂; Kazakhstan: Baigakum, Djulek (Budapest).

**Material examined.** 2♂♂, Golestan province: 70 km E Minudasht, 37°15'36"N, 55°59'24"E, 1050m, 12.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Golestan). Central Asia: Kazakhstan (Mocsáry, 1909).

***Hedychrum frivaldszkyi* Mocsáry, 1889**

*Hedychrum frivaldszkyi* Mocsáry, 1889:164. Holotype ♂; Turkmenistan: Kranowodsk [= Türkmenbaşy] (Budapest).  
*Hedychrum frivaldszkyi*: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:214. Incorrect subsequent spelling.  
*Hedychrum frivaldszkyi*: Rosa et al., 2013:7 (Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan). Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan (Rosa, 2019).

***Hedychrum gerstaeckeri* Chevrier, 1869**

*Hedychrum gerstaeckeri* Chevrier, 1869:47. Syntypes ♂♂, ♀♀ [not holotype]; Switzerland (Geneva).  
*Hedychrum gerstaeckeri*: Rosa et al., 2013:7 (Golestan, Gilan, Qazvin, Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan, Gilan, Qazvin, Mazandaran). Euroasiatic and Oriental, from Western Europe to Far East Russia, Japan, China and Taiwan (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Hedychrum hyrcanum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Hedychrum hyrcanum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:137. Holotype ♀; Iran: Astrabad [currently Gorgan], leg. A. Kiritshenko (St. Petersburg).

*Hedychrum hyrcanum*: Rosa et al., 2013:7 (Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan).

***Hedychrum longicolle* Abeille de Perrin, 1877**

*Hedychrum longicolle* Abeille de Perrin, 1877:65. Lectotype ♀ designated by Kimsey, 1986; France: Marseille (Paris).  
*Hedychrum longicolle*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:17 (Fars); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Strumia et al., 2016b:56 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palaearctic, from Southern Europe and Northern Africa to Western Asia, Siberia and China (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Hedychrum luculentum* Förster, 1853**

*Hedychrum luculentum* Förster, 1853:343. Syntypes ♂♂; Italy; Crete (Budapest).

*Hedychrum luculentum*: Rosa et al., 2013:7 (Persia).

**Distribution.** Iran (Linsenmaier, 1959a). East Mediterranean, Crete, Türkiye; Middle East (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Hedychrum mavromoustakisi* Trautmann, 1929 (Figs 16B, 16E)**

*Hedychrum mavromoustakisi* Trautmann, 1929:57. Holotype ♂; Cyprus: Limassol (Berlin).

*Hedychrum mavromoustakisi*: Rosa et al., 2013:8 (Fars, Mazandaran); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:4 (Fars); Rosa, 2020:463 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Mazandaran). South-eastern Europe, Cyprus, Palestine, Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Hedychrum menzbieri* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Hedychrum menzbieri* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:143. Holotype ♀; Iran: Luristan, 28.vi.1904, N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg).

*Hedychrum menzbieri*: Rosa et al., 2013:8 (Lorestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Lorestan).

***Hedychrum niemelai* Linsenmaier, 1959**

*Hedychrum aureicollae* ssp. *niemelai* Linsenmaier, 1959a:38. Holotype ♀; Switzerland: Wallis (Luzern).

*Hedychrum niemelai*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:17 (Golestan, Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan, Khorasan-e Razavi). Euroasiatic, from Europe to China (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Hedychrum nobile* (Scopoli, 1763)**

*Sphex nobile* Scopoli, 1763:297. Holotype ♀; Italy [not Austria] (lost).

*Hedychrum nobile*: Rosa et al., 2013:8 (Persia).

**Distribution.** Iran (Radoszkowski, 1889). Palaearctic from Europe to Siberia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Hedychrum persicum* Mocsáry, 1914 stat. nov. (Figs 6A–F, 7A)**

*Hedychrum rutilans* var. *persicum* Mocsáry, 1914:11. Holotype ♂; "Persia meridionali-occidentalis" [SW Iran] (London).

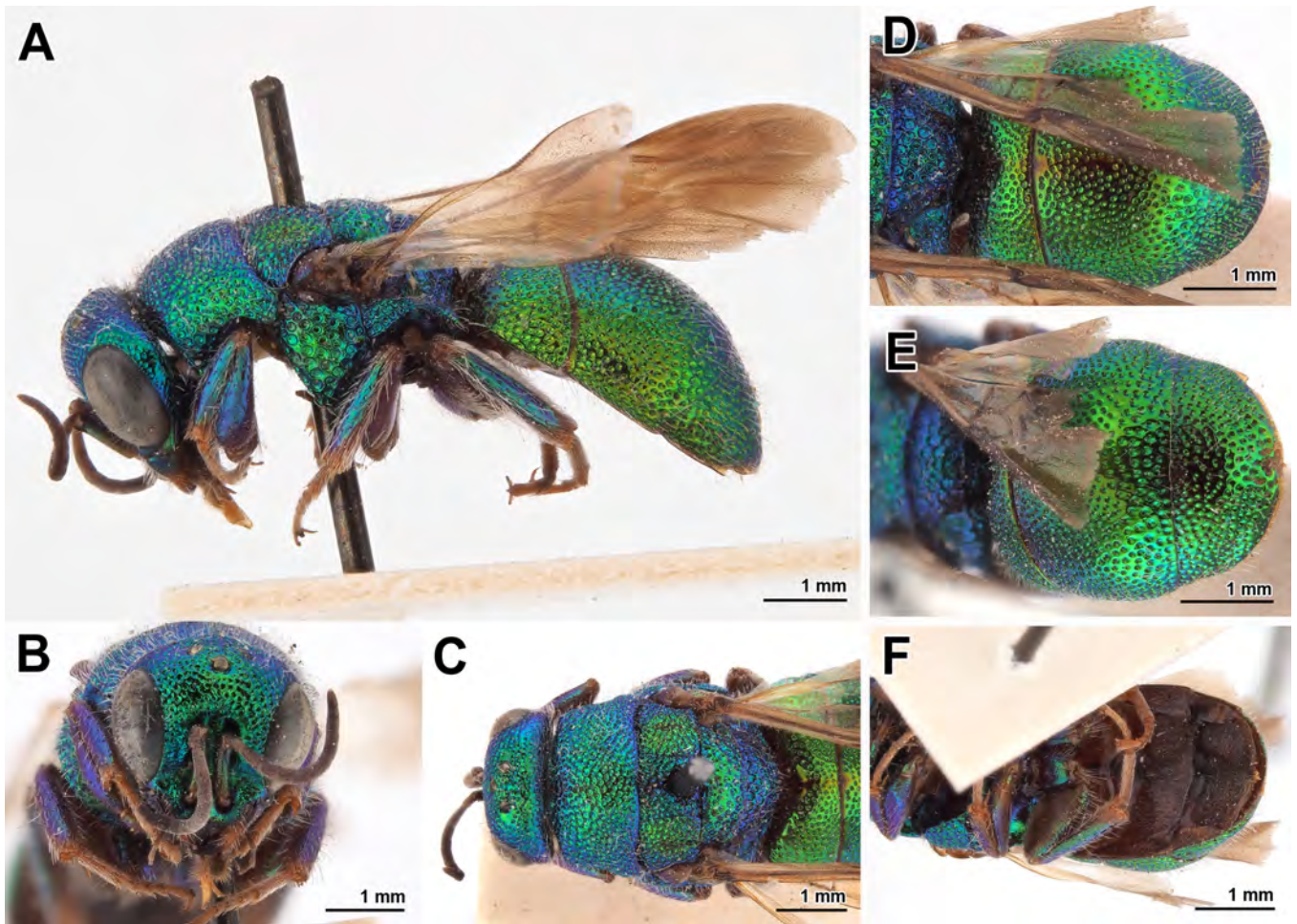
*Hedychrum rutilans*: Rosa et al., 2013:8 (South-eastern Persia).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Golestan province: 20km E of Minudasht, 37°13'12"N, 55°34'12"E, 750m, 1.vi.2014, leg. J. Halada (MHC); 3♂♂, 1♀, Mazandaran province: 10 km S Chaloos, 36°30'00"N, 51°19'48"E, 380m, 15.vi.2010, leg. M. Halada (MHC).

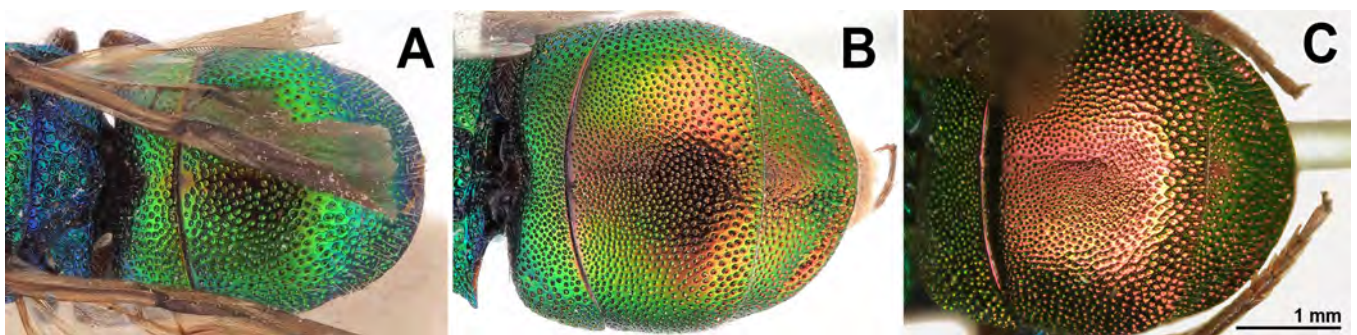
**Distribution.** Iran (Mocsáry, 1914, Golestan, Mazandaran).

**Remarks.** *Hedychrum persicum* was traditionally considered as a variety of *Hedychrum rutilans* (Linsenmaier, 1959a). However, the recent examination of the type has allowed us to better understand the real taxonomic position of this species. *Hedychrum persicum* is clearly separate from *H. rutilans* and *H. viridiauratum* by the combination of the following diagnostic characters; body sculpture deep, larger and spaced; head profile rounded (Fig. 6B) instead of triangular; body colour distinctly green, without red or golden areas (Fig. 6A). This species can be immediately separated by all the other taxa related to *H. rutilans* by its unique punctation, which is deeper, larger and more spaced (Figs 6D, F, 7A) compared to *H. rutilans* from Europe and the other two closer taxa known from Middle East, *H. rutilans viridiauratum* Mocsáry, 1889 (Fig. 7B) and *H. rutilans veterrimum* Mocsáry, 1914 (Fig. 7C), with fine and dense punctation, well visible on metasomal terga. A recent molecular study (Rosa et al., 2023b) revealed that the genetic distance between the two Western European subspecies of *H. rutilans*, namely *rutilans* s. str. and *viridaureum* Tournier, 1877, was sufficient to consider them as separate species (> 5%), probably related to different host selection in their southern distributional range. We expect that further molecular analyses on all the varieties and subspecies of *H. rutilans* will provide similar results.





**Figure 6.** *Hedychrom persicum* Mocsáry, 1914, holotype, female. **A.** Habitus, lateral view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **E.** Metasoma, posterior view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.



**Figure 7.** Metasoma, dorsal view. **A.** *Hedychrom persicum* Mocsáry, 1914, holotype, female; **B.** *Hedychrom rutilans* var. *viridiauratum* Mocsáry, 1889, syntype, male; **C.** *Hedychrom rutilans* var. *veterrimum* Mocsáry, 1914, lectotype, male.

***Hedychrom semicyaneum* Mocsáry, 1889**

*Hedychrom semicyaneum* Mocsáry, 1889:168. Holotype ♀; Uzbekistan: Tashkent (Budapest).

**Material examined.** 2♂♂, 3♀♀, Kerman province: Bardsir, 29°57'00"N, 56°34'48"E, 2050m, 6.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Kerman). Central Asia: Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954).

### Genus *Holopyga* Dahlbom, 1845

*Holopyga* Dahlbom, 1845:4. Type species: *Holopyga amoenula* Dahlbom, 1845, by subsequent designation of Ashmead, 1902.

#### *Holopyga amoenula oriensa* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Holopyga amoenula oriensa* Linsenmaier, 1959a:31. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Konya prov.: Akşehir (Luzern).

*Holopyga amoenula oriensa*: Rosa et al., 2013:9 (Qazvin, Alborz); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:17 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2017:878 (Mazandaran); Rosa, 2020:463 (Kordestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars, Kordestan, Mazandaran, Qazvin). West-Palaeartic from south-eastern Europe to the Middle East (Rosa et al., 2013).

#### *Holopyga arabica* Linsenmaier, 1994

*Holopyga arabica* Linsenmaier, 1994:155. Holotype ♀; Saudi Arabia: Riyad, 15.x.1958, leg. Diehl (Luzern).

*Holopyga arabica*: Farhad et al., 2016b:5–6 (Hormozgan), 6 (fig. 5); Farhad et al., 2017:878 (Hormozgan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Oman, and Yemen (Rosa et al., 2020a).

#### *Holopyga assecula* Linsenmaier, 1999

*Holopyga assecula* Linsenmaier, 1999:39. Holotype ♀; Egypt: Cairo: El Giza, v.1988, leg. Sidler (Luzern).

*Holopyga assecula*: Strumia et al., 2016b:56 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Egypt (Linsenmaier, 1999).

#### *Holopyga beaumonti* Balthasar, 1953

*Holopyga beaumonti* Balthasar, 1953:131. Syntypes ♂♀; Palestine: Jordan Valley (Prague).

*Holopyga beaumonti*: Farhad et al., 2017:878 (Hormozgan), 879 (fig. 1).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Türkiye, Jordan, Palestine; Egypt, Eritrea; Saudi Arabia, U.A.E., Yemen (Strumia, 2014).

#### *Holopyga bifigurata* Linsenmaier, 1968

*Holopyga bifigurata* Linsenmaier, 1968:18. Holotype ♀; Palestine: Tel Aviv (Luzern) (examined).

*Holopyga bifigurata*: Rosa et al., 2013:9 (East-Azarbaijan); Farhad et al., 2017:879.

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Palestine, Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

#### *Holopyga caucasica* Mocsáry, 1889

*Holopyga (Holopyga) gloriosa* var. *caucasica* Mocsáry, 1889:131. Neotype designated by Rosa et al., 2020b:117: ♀; Azerbaijan: Ganja (Vienna).

*Holopyga (Holopyga) gloriosa* var. *caucasica* = *Holopyga amoenula* Dahlbom, 1845: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:229.

*Holopyga inflammata caucasica*: Rosa et al., 2013:10 (Qazvin); Farhad et al., 2017:88.

*Holopyga caucasica*: Rosa et al., 2020b:117. Upgraded to species rank.

**Distribution.** Iran (Qazvin). Caucasus, Cyprus, Palestine, and Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

#### *Holopyga chrysonota* (Förster, 1853)

*Ellampus chrysonotus* Förster, 1853:347. Holotype ♀; Hungary (Berlin).

*Holopyga ovata* var. h Dahlbom, 1854:53. Syntypes ♂♂, ♀♀ [not holotype]; Austria; Greece: Rhodes Is. (Vienna, Berlin).

*Holopyga ignicollis* Eversmann, 1858:549. Lectotype ♀ designated by Rosa et al., 2020b:100. Russia: "campis



*Orenburgensibus et in promontor Uralensib.*" (Krakow).

*Holopyga ignicollis* Dahlbom, 1854 *sensu auctorum* (see Rosa et al., 2020b); Farzaneh et al., 2017:496 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2017:881 (Alborz, Hormozgan, Kerman, Mazandaran), 882 (fig. 3); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:4 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Hormozgan, Kerman, Mazandaran). West-Palaeartic, from Western Europe to Central Asia; Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1999).

**Remarks.** *Holopyga similis* was synonymised by Bischoff (1913) with *H. chrysonota* (Förster, 1853). Rosa et al. (2020b) pointed out that *H. chrysonota* is a different species and *H. similis* is the first available name for *H. chrysonota* sensu Linsenmaier (1959a, 1968, 1987, 1997, 1999). Dahlbom's (1854) name *H. ignicollis* [actually given as var. h] is invalid. Eversmann (1858:549) was the first author to treat "var. *ignicollis* Klug" (the name given by Dahlbom (1854) to one of the specimens examined in Berlin) as a valid subspecific name, thus making the name available as a species-group name (ICZN, 1999: Article 45.6). As a consequence, Eversmann (1858) is the author of the species (Rosa et al., 2020b).

### *Holopyga cypruscula detrita* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Holopyga cypruscula* ssp. *detrita* Linsenmaier, 1959a:34. Holotype ♂; Iran: Kamal Abad (paratype from Qazvin) (Luzern).

*Holopyga cypruscula detrita*: Torabipour et al., 2013a:8 ([East-] Azarbaijan); Ebrahimi, 2015:61 ([East-] Azarbaijan); Rosa et al., 2013:10 (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Qazvin, Mazandaran); Farzaneh et al., 2017:496 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2017:879 (Alborz, Hormozgan); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:298 (Kerman); Rosa, 2020:463 (Mazandaran).

*Holopyga cypruscula*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:18 (Kordestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Hormozgan, Kerman, Kordestan, Qazvin, Mazandaran). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1968).

**Remarks.** Strumia & Fallahzadeh (2015) listed *Holopyga cypruscula* without subspecific rank. In the distributional range of this species, they listed "Türkiye, Syria, Lebanon, Palestine and Iran (Linsenmaier, 1959a)". Actually, only Cyprus is given by Linsenmaier (1959a) as a locality of *H. cypruscula*. For other localities, Linsenmaier (1959a, 1987) described other two subspecies, not mentioned by Strumia & Fallahzadeh (2015). We temporarily place this record under *H. cypruscula detrita* waiting for another examination of the studied material.

### *Holopyga cypruscula turca* Linsenmaier, 1987

*Holopyga cypruscula* ssp. *turca* Linsenmaier, 1987:136. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Şanlıurfa prov.: Urfa [=Şanlıurfa] (Luzern).

*Holopyga cypruscula turca*: Rosa et al., 2013:10 (Tehran); Strumia et al., 2016b:56 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2017:880.

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Tehran). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1987).

### *Holopyga fascialis* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Holopyga fascialis* Linsenmaier, 1959a:28. Holotype ♂; Palestine: Beersheba (Luzern).

*Holopyga fascialis*: Strumia et al., 2016b:56 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2017:880 (Hormozgan), 881 (fig. 2).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palestine, Northern Africa: Morocco and Tunisia (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

### *Holopyga fervida* (Fabricius, 1781)

*Chrysis fervida* Fabricius, 1781:456. Neotype ♀ designated by Kimsey, 1988:272; Spain (Copenhagen).

*Holopyga fervida*: Rosa et al., 2013:10 (Qazvin); Farhad et al., 2016b:6 (Hormozgan); Farhad et al., 2017:880 (Hormozgan); Rosa, 2020:463 (Gilan).

*Holopyga fervid*: Iranmanesh et al., 2017:298 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Gilan, Hormozgan, Kerman, Qazvin). West-Palaeartic, from Europe to Southern Russia, the Middle East, Türkiye, and Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Holopyga generosa asiatica* Trautmann, 1926**

*Holopyga gloriosa* var. *asiatica* Trautmann, 1926:5. Holotype ♀; Türkiye [not Yugoslavia]: Smyrne [currently İzmir] (Berlin).

*Holopyga ovata* ssp. *proviridis* Linsenmaier, 1959a:31. Holotype ♂; Syria: Homs (Luzern).

*Holopyga ovata* var. *asiatica* Trautmann, 1926:5 = *Holopyga amoenula* Dahlbom, 1845; Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:229.

*Holopyga fastuosa proviridis*: Linsenmaier, 1999:36. Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:18 (Alborz, Fars); Farhad et al., 2017:880 (Alborz); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman).

*Holopyga proviridis*: Rosa et al., 2013:11 (Iran).

*Holopyga ovata proviridis* Linsenmaier, 1959a:36 = *Holopyga generosa asiatica* Trautmann, 1926; Rosa et al., 2017e:9.

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars, Kerman). Euroasiatic from Southern Europe to Caucasus and China (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Holopyga generosa generosa* (Förster, 1853)**

*Ellampus generosus* Förster, 1853:349. Holotype ♂; Germany: Aachen (Berlin).

*Holopyga generosa*: Torabipour et al., 2013a:8 (East-Azarbaijan); Ebrahimi, 2015:62 (East-Azarbaijan).

*Holopyga fastuosa generosa*: Farhad et al., 2017:880.

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Euroasiatic, from Western Europe to China and Korea (Rosa et al., 2014).

**Remarks.** The name *fastuosa generosa* was given by Linsenmaier (1987) but all the modern authors used only “*generosa*” or “*generosa generosa*” for this taxon, considering “*fastuosa*” from North Africa a different species.

***Holopyga inaurata* Mocsáry, 1914**

*Holopyga mlokosiewitzi* var. *inaurata* Mocsáry, 1914:3. Holotype ♂; Armenia: Yerevan (Budapest).

*Holopyga inaurata*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:5 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Armenia, Palestine, Türkiye; Northern Africa: Egypt (Linsenmaier, 1968).

***Holopyga inflammata* (Förster, 1853)**

*Ellampus inflammatus* Förster, 1853:348. Syntypes ♂, ♀; Italy; Hungary (Berlin).

*Holopyga inflammata*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:18 (Khorasan-e Razavi); Farhad et al., 2017:883 (diag., Alborz, fig. 4).

*Holopyga inflammata inflammata*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:4 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars, Khorasan-e Razavi). West-Palaeartic, from Europe and Northern Africa to Western Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Holopyga jurinei* Chevrier, 1862**

*Holopyga jurinei* Chevrier, 1862:95. Holotype ♂ [not ♀]; Switzerland (Geneva).

*Holopyga jurinei*: Farhad et al., 2017:884 (diag., Alborz, Qazvin, fig. 5); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:5 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars, Qazvin). West-Palaeartic, from Europe and Northern Africa to Caucasus, Russia, Türkiye and Western Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Holopyga kuthyana* Mocsáry, 1911**

*Holopyga Kuthyana* Mocsáry, 1911:446. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Mersin prov.: Gülek, Taurus (Budapest).

*Holopyga kuthyana*: Rosa, 2020:463 (Mazandaran), 473 (fig. 6).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran). Türkiye (Mocsáry, 1911).

***Holopyga minuma* Linsenmaier, 1959**

*Holopyga minuma* Linsenmaier, 1959a:31. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Niğde prov.: Niğde (Luzern).

*Holopyga minuma*: Rosa et al., 2013:10 (Iran). Farhad et al., 2017:885; Rosa, 2020:463 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran). South-eastern Europe, Russia, Middle East, Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Holopyga numidica* (Lucas, 1849)**

*Hedychrum numidicum* Lucas, 1849:311. Syntypes ♂♂; Algeria: Tonga Lake (Paris).

*Holopyga numidica*: Strumia et al., 2016b:56 (Fars); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:5 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palestine; Northern Africa: Algeria, Morocco, Egypt (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Holopyga punctatissima* Dahlbom, 1854**

*Holopyga punctatissima* Dahlbom, 1854:50. Syntypes ♂♂, ♀ [not holotype]; Greece: Rhodes (Berlin).

*Holopyga punctatissima*: Torabipour et al., 2013a:8 (Fars); Rosa et al., 2013:11 (Kordestan, Qazvin); Ebrahimi, 2015:63 (Fars); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:18 (Fars); Strumia et al., 2016b:56 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2017:885 (Alborz, Hormozgan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars, Hormozgan, Kordestan, Qazvin). South-eastern Europe, Caucasus, Türkiye; Northern Africa: Egypt (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Holopyga similis discolor* Linsenmaier, 1959**

*Holopyga chrysonota* ssp. *discolor* Linsenmaier, 1959a:32. Holotype ♂; Morocco (Lausanne).

*Holopyga chrysonota discolor*: Rosa et al., 2013:9 (Alborz); Farhad et al., 2017:879.

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz). Cyprus, Lebanon, Türkiye, Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Holopyga turkestanica* Mocsáry, 1909**

*Holopyga punctatissima* var. *turkestanica* Mocsáry, 1909:1. Lectotype ♂ designated by French in Bohart & French, 1986:341; Kazakhstan [not Turkmenistan]: Mt. Karatau (Budapest).

*Holopyga punctatissima* var. *turkestanica* = *Holopyga amoenula* Dahlbom, 1845; Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:229.

*Holopyga crassepuncta* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954:110; Rosa et al., 2013:9 (East-Azarbaijan, Khorasan, Mazandaran). Farhad et al., 2017:879.

*Holopyga crassepuncta* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954 = *Holopyga turkestanica* Mocsáry, 1909; Rosa et al., 2017e:111.

*Holopyga turkestanica*: Rosa et al., 2017e:110. Reinstated and upgraded to species level.

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Khorasan, Mazandaran). Kazakhstan (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954), Türkiye (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

***Holopyga vicissituda* Linsenmaier, 1994**

*Holopyga vicissituda* Linsenmaier, 1994:155. Holotype ♀; Saudi Arabia: Al Jubail (Arabian Gulf), xi.1986, leg. Menrad (Luzern).

*Holopyga vicissituda*: Farhad et al., 2016b:6–7 (Hormozgan), 7 (fig. 6); Farhad et al., 2017:885 (Hormozgan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Oman (Rosa et al., 2020a).

***Holopyga vigora* Linsenmaier, 1959**

*Holopyga vigora* Linsenmaier, 1959a:31. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Akschehir [not Nigde] (Luzern).

*Holopyga vigora*: Rosa et al., 2013:11 (Persia); Farhad et al., 2017:885.

**Distribution.** Iran. Bulgaria, Greece (Linsenmaier, 1968); Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

***Holopyga zarudniana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Holopyga zarudniana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:145. Holotype ♂; Iran: Mekran, near Kambil (St. Petersburg).

*Holopyga zarudniana*: Rosa et al., 2013:11 (Sistan & Baluchestan); Farhad et al., 2017:885 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Genus *Omalus* Panzer, 1801**

*Omalus* Panzer, 1801:13. Type species: *Chrysis aenea* Fabricius, 1787 [= *Omalus aeneus* (Fabricius, 1787)]. Monotypic. Farhad et al., 2018:193.



***Omalus aeneus* (Fabricius, 1787)**

*Chrysis aenea* Fabricius, 1787:284. Holotype ♀; Germany: Hala Saxonum [= Halle] (Copenhagen).

*Omalus aeneus*: Strumia et al., 2016b (Fars); Farhad et al., 2016a (Mazandaran); Farzaneh et al., 2016, 2017:496 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2018:195 (key), 196 (Alborz, Golestan, Mazandaran), 194 (figs 1A, 2A), 195 (fig. 3A); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:5 (Fars); Rosa, 2020:463 (Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars, Golestan, Mazandaran). Widespread from the Holarctic Region (Bohart & Kimsey, 1982) to the Oriental Region (Rosa et al., 2014).

***Omalus biaccinctus* (du Buysson, 1892)**

*Ellampus biaccinctus* du Buysson, 1892:152. Syntypes ♂, ♀; France (Paris).

*Omalus biaccinctus*: Rosa et al., 2013:11 (East-Azarbaijan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:18 (Alborz, Lorestan); Farzaneh et al., 2017:496 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2018:195 (key), 196 (Alborz), 194 (fig. 1B), 195 (fig. 3B).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Lorestan). Europe, Iran, Syria, Türkiye; Central Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Omalus imbecillus* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Ellampus (Ellampus) imbecillus* Mocsáry, 1889:98. Lectotype ♀ designated by French in Bohart & French, 1986:341); Tadjikistan [not Turkmenistan]: Pendgikent [= Panjakent] (Budapest).

*Omalus imbecillus*: Torabipour et al., 2013a:9 (Khorasan-e Razavi); Rosa et al., 2013:12 (Persia); Ebrahimi, 2015:64 (Khorasan-e Razavi); Farhad et al., 2018:196 (key), 196 (Khorasan, Sistan and Baluchestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi, Sistan and Baluchestan). Türkiye, Oman, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates; Central Asia: Tadjikistan (Rosa et al., 2014).

***Omalus margianus* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932)**

*Ellampus margianus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932:15. Lectotype ♀ designated by Kimsey, 1986; Turkmenistan: Imam-baba, Mary (Merv) (St. Petersburg).

*Omalus margianus*: Rosa et al., 2013:12 (Sistan & Baluchestan); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:297 (Kerman); Farhad et al., 2018:194 (fig. 1C), 195 (fig. 3C), 196 (key, Fars, Hormozgan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan, Kerman, Sistan & Baluchestan). Central Asia: Turkmenistan (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

***Omalus politus* du Buysson, 1887**

*Omalus politus* du Buysson, 1887:168. Lectotype ♀ designated by Kimsey in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:249; Lebanon: Beirut (Paris).

*Omalus politus*: Rosa et al., 2013:12 (Fars, Lorestan); Farhad et al., 2018:196 (key), 197 (Fars, Lorestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Lorestan). South-eastern Europe, Middle East; Central Asia, and Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1959a; Rosa et al., 2013).

**Genus *Philoctetes* Abeille de Perrin, 1879**

*Philoctetes* Abeille de Perrin, 1879:27. Type species: *Holopyga cicatrix* Abeille de Perrin, 1879 [= *Philoctetes micans* (Klug, 1835)], by subsequent designation of Ashmead, 1902:228. Farhad et al., 2018:197.

***Philoctetes bidentulus* (Lepeletier, 1806)**

*Hedychrum bidentulum* Lepeletier, 1806:121. Neotype ♂ designated by Rosa & Xu, 2015:81; France: Loire-Atlantique department, Machecoul (Luzern).

*Philoctetes bidentulus*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:19 (Lorestan); Farhad et al., 2018:197 (key), 198 (Lorestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Lorestan). Palaearctic, from Europe to Western Asia and probably Siberia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** The occurrence of *Philoctetes bidentulus* in Iran needs confirmation. Apparently, the very similar species *Philoctetes kuznetzovi* is common in the country and the identification of *P. bidentulus* may be related to this species.

***Philoctetes bogdanovii* (Radoszkowsky, 1877)**

*Holopyga bogdanovii* Radoszkowsky, 1877:5. Holotype ♂; Uzbekistan: Zarafshan (Moscow).

*Philoctetes bogdanovii*: Rosa et al., 2013:12 (Lorestan); Farhad et al., 2018:194 (fig. 1D), 195 (fig. 3D), 197 (key), 198 (Alborz, Qazvin).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Tehran, 10 km N of Ziaran, 36°07'00"N, 50°39'25"E, 4.vi.2012, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC); 1♀, Golestan, env. Dasht junction 970m, 37°18'47"N, 56°01'07"E, 21.v.2013, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Golestan, Lorestan, Qazvin, Tehran). Euroasiatic, from Southern Europe to Caucasus, Russia, and Western Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Philoctetes deflexus* (Abeille de Perrin, 1878)**

*Holopyga deflexa* Abeille de Perrin, 1878:2. Lectotype ♂ [not ♀] designated by Kimsey, 1986:109; Egypt (Paris).

*Philoctetes deflexus*: Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Strumia et al., 2016b:59 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2018:197 (key), 198 (Fars, fig. 4); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:5 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palestine, Syria; Arabia Saudita, Yemen; Northern Africa: Egypt, Sudan (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Philoctetes horvathi* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Ellampus wesmaeli* Mocsáry, 1882:27. Syntypes ♂, ♀; Austria (Budapest), *nom. praeocc., nec* Chevrier, 1862.

*Ellampus horváthi* Mocsáry, 1889:82. Replacement name for *Ellampus wesmaeli* Mocsáry, 1882, *nom. praeocc., nec* Chevrier, 1862.

*Philoctetes horvathi*: Rosa et al., 2013:12 (Golestan); Farzaneh et al., 2017:497 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2018:197 (key, Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Golestan). Palaearctic: Central and Eastern Europe; Middle East; Far East to Mongolia, China and Korea; Northern Africa (Morocco) (Farhad et al., 2018).

***Philoctetes kuznetzovi* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932)**

*Ellampus kuznetzovi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932:25. Lectotype ♂ designated by Kimsey, 1986; Georgia: Kodzhory Prov., Tbilisi (St. Petersburg).

*Philoctetes kuznetzovi*: Farhad et al., 2018:197 (key), 199 (Fars, Zanjan, Esfahan), 200 (fig. 5); Rosa, 2020:464 (Esfahan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Zanjan, Esfahan). Caucasus (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Philoctetes punctulatus* (Dahlbom, 1854)**

*Omalus punctulatus* Dahlbom, 1854:35. Syntypes ♀♀; France: Landes; Italy: Sicily (Lund).

*Philoctetes punctulatus*: Rosa et al., 2013:14 (Qazvin); Farhad et al., 2018:197 (key), 200 (Qazvin).

**Distribution.** Iran (Qazvin). West-Palaearctic, from South-western Europe to Western Asia; Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Philoctetes sareptanus* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Ellampus sareptanus* Mocsáry, 1889:83. Holotype ♂; Russia: Sarepta (Vienna).

*Philoctetes sareptanus*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:5 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Southern Russia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Philoctetes tarnanii* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932)**

*Ellampus tarnanii* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932:40. Lectotype ♂ designated by Kimsey, 1986; Uzbekistan: Termez (St. Petersburg).

*Philoctetes tarnanii*: Rosa et al., 2013:14; Farhad et al., 2018:194 (Alborz, figs 1E, 2B), 195 (fig. 3E), 197 (key); Rosa, 2020:464 (Esfahan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Esfahan). Central Asia: Uzbekistan (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

### Genus *Pseudomalus* Ashmead, 1902

*Pseudomalus* Ashmead, 1902:229. Type species: *Omalus semicircularis* Aaron, 1885 [= *Pseudomalus janus* (Haldeman, 1844)], by original designation. Farhad et al., 2018:201.

#### *Pseudomalus auratus* (Linnaeus, 1758)

*Sphex aurata* Linnaeus, 1758:572. Holotype ♀; Europe (London-Linnean Society).

*Pseudomalus auratus*: Rosa et al., 2013:13 (Lorestan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:19 (Tehran); Farhad et al., 2018:201 (key, Lorestan); Rosa, 2020:464 (Kermanshah, Lorestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kermanshah, Lorestan, Tehran). Holarctic, from Europe and Northern Africa to Japan and accidentally introduced into North America (Bohart & Kimsey, 1982).

#### *Pseudomalus bergi* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932)

*Ellampus bergi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932:43. Holotype ♂; Kazakhstan: Dzhungar Alatau Mts., Kora River [near Tekeli] (St. Petersburg).

*Pseudomalus bergi*: Rosa et al., 2013:14 (East-Azarbaijan); Farhad et al., 2018:201 (key, East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Caucasus; Central Asia: Kazakhstan (Rosa et al., 2013).

#### *Pseudomalus turkestanicus* (Mocsáry, 1889)

*Ellampus (Ellampus) turkestanicus* Mocsáry, 1889:101. Holotype [sex unknown]; Uzbekistan: Tashkent (Kraków).

*Ellampus (Ellampus) masalskii* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932:47. Holotype ♂; Uzbekistan: Samarkand, Katty-kurgan (Moscow). Synonymised by Farhad et al., 2018:210.

*Pseudomalus turkestanicus*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:19 (Alborz); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Strumia et al., 2016b:59 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:497 (Fars); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:297 (Kerman). Farhad et al., 2018:194 (figs 1F, 2C), 195 (fig. 3F); Farhad et al., 2018:201 (key, Alborz, Fars, Gilan, Hormozgan, Mazandaran, Qazvin), 202 (fig. 6); Falahatpisheh et al., 2019:6 (Fars); Rosa, 2020:464 (Esfahan, Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars, Gilan, Hormozgan, Esfahan, Kerman, Mazandaran, Qazvin). Türkiye; Central Asia: Tajikistan, Uzbekistan (Rosa et al., 2017a; Farhad et al., 2018).

#### *Pseudomalus violaceus* (Scopoli, 1763)

*Sphex violacea* Scopoli, 1763:298. Type lost; Europe (depository unknown).

*Pseudomalus violaceus*: Samin et al., 2014:123 (Mazandaran); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:19 (Kordestan); Farhad et al., 2018:201 (key), 204 (Khordestan, Mazandaran); Rosa, 2020:464 (Tehran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kordestan, Mazandaran, Tehran). Euroasian, from Western Europe to the Russian Far East and China (Rosa et al., 2013).

### Tribe Chrysidini Latreille, 1802

#### Genus *Chrysidea* Bischoff, 1913

*Chrysidea* Bischoff, 1913:34, repl. name for *Chrysogona* Mocsáry, 1882, *nom. praeocc., nec* Förster, 1853. Type species: *Chrysis pumila* Klug, 1845:tav. 45 [= *Chrysidea pumila* (Klug, 1845)], by original designation.

#### *Chrysidea disclusa* (Linsenmaier, 1959)

*Chrysis (Chrysidea) pumila* ssp. *disclusa* Linsenmaier, 1959a:171. Holotype ♂; Spain: Almeria (Luzern).

*Chrysidea disclusa*: Farzaneh et al., 2016:439 (Fars- Shiraz).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Fars). West Mediterranean Countries only (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1997, 1999).

#### *Chrysidea pumila* (Klug, 1845)

*Chrysis pumila* Klug, 1845. Neotype ♂ designated by Rosa & Xu, 2015:10; Egypt: Fayoum (Luzern).

*Chrysidea pumila*: Rosa et al., 2013:14 (East-Azarbaijan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:19 (Fars); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2016b:8 (Hormozgan); Farzaneh et al., 2017:497 (Fars); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman); Rosa, 2020:465 (Gilan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Gilan, Hormozgan, Kerman). Palaearctic and Afrotropical (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991; Madl & Rosa, 2012).

### Genus *Chrysis* Linnaeus, 1761

*Chrysis* Linnaeus, 1761:414. Type species: *Sphex ignita* Linnaeus, 1758, by subsequent designation of Latreille, 1810:437.

*Chrysogona* Förster, 1853:327. Type species: *Chrysogona gracillima* Förster, 1853 [= *Chrysis gracillima* (Förster, 1853)], by monotypy. Junior subjective synonym of *Chrysis* Linnaeus, 1761 according to Kimsey & Bohart, 1991.

*Dichrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876:27. Type species: *Chrysis bihamata* Spinola, 1843 by subsequent designation of Bodenstein, 1939:126. Junior subjective synonym of *Chrysis* Linnaeus, 1761 according to Linsenmaier, 1951.

*Tetrachrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876:27. Type species: *Chrysis aeruginosa* Dahlbom, 1854, by subsequent designation of Ashmead, 1902:226. Junior subjective synonym of *Chrysis* Linnaeus, 1761 according to Linsenmaier, 1951.

*Hexachrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876:27. Type species: *Chrysis micans* Rossi, 1792 [= *Chrysis sexdentata* Christ, 1791], by subsequent designation of Bodenstein, 1939:127. Junior subjective synonym of *Chrysis* Linnaeus, 1761 according to Kimsey & Bohart, 1991.

### *Chrysis acceptabilis* Radoszkowski, 1891

*Chrysis acceptabilis* Radoszkowski, 1891:197. Lectotype ♂ designated by Rosa et al., 2015d:7; Iran: Sarakhs (Kraków) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis acceptabilis*: Rosa et al., 2013:14 (Khorasan-e Razavi); Ebrahimi, 2015:24 (Sistan & Baluchestan); Farhad et al., 2015b:36 (Hormozgan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan, Khorasan-e Razavi, Sistan & Baluchestan). Afghanistan, Pakistan, North-western India, Saudi-Arabia; Northern Africa: Egypt; Afrotropical: Chad, Sudan (Rosa et al., 2013, Farhad et al., 2015b).

### *Chrysis aestiva* Dahlbom, 1854

*Chrysis aestiva* Dahlbom, 1854:286. Holotype ♀; Greece: Rhodes Is. (Loew collection, depository unknown) (*aestiva* group).

*Chrysis aestiva*: Farhad et al., 2015b:36 (Hormozgan); Rosa, 2020:465 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan, Mazandaran). Caucasus; Greece, Iran, Palestine, Rhodes, Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis afghanica* Linsenmaier, 1968 (Fig. 8A–F)

*Chrysis succincta komareki* var. *uldarichi* Balthasar, 1957:152. Holotype ♀; Afghanistan: Duab (Prague)\*. Invalid quadrinomial name.

*Chrysis afghanica* Linsenmaier, 1968:68. Holotype ♂; Afghanistan: Duab, based on the type and description of *C. succincta komareki* var. *uldarichi* Balthasar, 1957 (Luzern) (*succincta* group).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Qazvin, Zeresh, 36°25'33"N, 50°06'37"E, 11.viii.2011, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Qazvin). Afghanistan (Linsenmaier, 1968).

### *Chrysis albanica alia* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Chrysis albanica alia* Linsenmaier, 1959a:160 [not 100]. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Konya (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis albanica alia*: Rosa et al., 2013:15 (Alborz); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Kerman). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

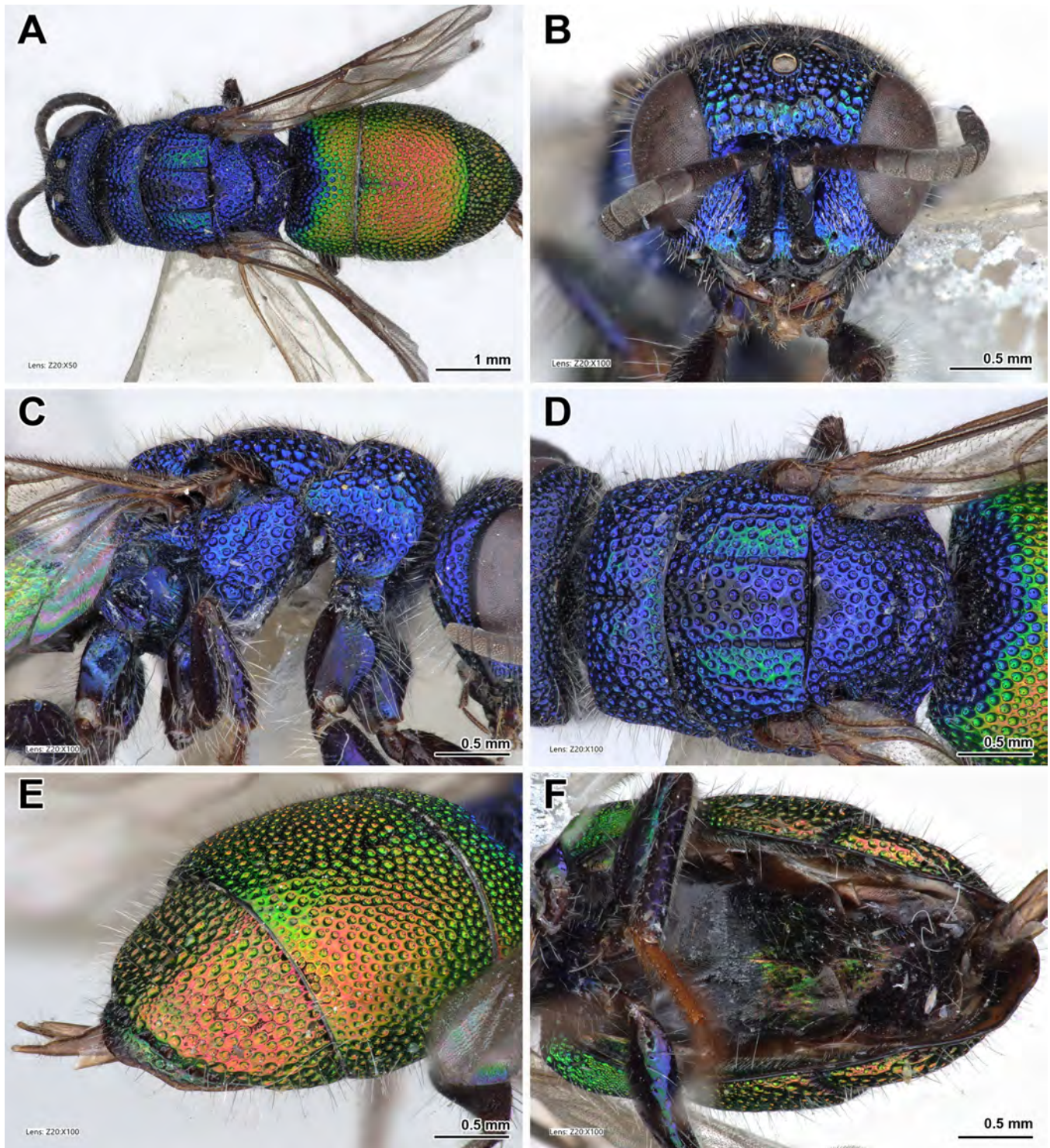
### *Chrysis altaica* Mocsáry, 1912

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) analis* f. *altaica* Mocsáry, 1912b:586. Holotype ♀; Kazakhstan: Semipalatinsk [=Semey] (Budapest) (*comparata* group).

*Chrysis altaica*: Farzaneh et al., 2017:497 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Kazakhstan (Rosa et al., 2013).





**Figure 8.** *Chrysis afghanica* Linsenmaier, 1968, female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **D.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

### *Chrysis ambigua* Radoszkowski, 1891

*Chrysis ambigua* Radoszkowski, 1891:188. Holotype ♀; Turkmenistan: Ashgabat (Kraków) (*cerastes* group).  
*Chrysis ambigua*: Rosa et al., 2013:15 (Khorasan-e Razavi, Tehran); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:20 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Khorasan-e Razavi, Tehran). Euroasiatic, South-eastern Europe, Palestine, Rhodes, Türkiye, Middle East; Central Asia: Turkmenistan (Rosa et al., 2013).



***Chrysis amerii* Rosa & Farhad, sp. nov.** (Fig. 9A–F)

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**Material examined.** **Holotype** ♀; IRAN, Hormozgan province: Chelo, 27°10'30"N, 57°01'09"E, 23.iii.2012, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC). **Paratype** 1♀, same locality, 18.v.2012, leg. A. Ameri (PRC).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis amerii* sp. nov. belongs to the *Chrysis succincta* species group which includes medium to large species (5.0–9.0 mm) with apical margin of the third metasomal tergum edentate, bidentate, tridentate or quadridentate; scapal basin microridged in male, and completely polished and smooth in female; transverse frontal carina normally developed; black spots on second metasomal sternum various, usually covering large part of sternum. *Chrysis amerii* sp. nov. can be immediately separated by other species of this group by the combination of the following diagnostic characters: metallic blue body, with greenish spots at sides of second tergum (Fig. 9E); apical margin of third tergum with a median protrusion, apically truncate (Fig. 9D, E); transverse frontal carina double (Fig. 9A), with the upper carina crescent and sharp medially; pronotum with shallow, barely visible antero-median depression, composed by short row of small punctures. *Chrysis amerii* can be separated from the other green to blue species of *succincta* group by simple apical margin of third tergum, with a single, median protrusion, whereas apical margin of *C. robertsi* Rosa, 2021 is quadridentate and apical margin of *C. maidaquensis* Strumia, 2014 is tridentate. Outside Iran, other blue species can be separated by *Chrysis amerii* sp. nov. for triadentate apical margin, such as *C. minutissima* Radoszkowski, 1876, or for quadridentate apical margin, as *C. friesei* du Buysson, 1900.

**Description.** — **Holotype** ♀ (Fig. 9A–F). Body length 7.6 mm; anterior wing length 4 mm.

**Head.** Brow with dense and small punctures between anterior ocellus and upper branch of transverse frontal carina; punctation denser, with small punctures on ocellar area; spaced between posterior ocelli and compound eye; postero-laterad posterior ocelli with punctures separated by polished, wide interspaces up to 2 puncture diameter; posterior ocelli with postero-lateral deep, round and small fovea; temple largely polished, with small, scattered punctures; scapal basin typically deep and medially polished, laterally densely and finely punctate, each puncture bearing white seta; malar space finely and densely punctate; upper transverse frontal carina vaguely M-shaped, with median part distinctly raised, almost straight, and laterally downcurved connecting lower part of frontal carina, topping scapal basin (Fig. 9A); genal carina sharp, straight, fully developed from occiput to mandibular insertion; subantennal space short, 0.5× MOD; apex of clypeus arcuate inward with narrow dark brown rim. Clypeus medially polished; with a row of small punctures before apical rim; punctures small and dense laterally, bearing a white seta. Distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of frontal carina 1.2× MOD; distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of scapal basin = 2.0× MOD. OOL 1.7× MOD; POL 2.5× MOD; MS 1.0× MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.5:0.9:0.9.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow shallow, barely visible, apicomediaally as short row of small punctures; pronotum with small punctures, irregularly sized from very small to small (0.1–0.4× MOD); polished interspaces as large as 1 to 2 puncture diameters along anterior margin; puncture denser on posterior half with very small punctures (not dots) between larger ones; punctation on mesoscutum and scutellum shallow and spaced medially (Fig. 9B), with small punctures, at most 0.5× MOD; interspaces polished, as large as 1 to 2 puncture diameters; punctation on lateral area of mesoscutum contrasting, denser and deeper; notauli formed by deep, metallic, sub-square foveae, as large as larger punctures on mesonotum; parapsidal signum deep and distinct; scutellum antero-medially largely polished, punctation denser along margins; scutellar-metanotal suture deep, with large median fovea; posterior propodeal projections divergent; mesopleuron with episternal sulcus formed by large subsquare foveae, larger than other punctures on segment (Fig. 9C).

**Metasoma.** First tergum with even, medium sized punctures, equally spaced (Fig. 9D); second tergum with slightly smaller punctures, denser antero-dorsally, almost without interspaces; laterally and on second half of tergum with spaced and shallower punctures, with larger, polished interspaces up to 2 puncture diameters; longitudinal median carina weak; third tergum with small, scattered punctures,

with small punctures on interspaces; apical margin almost continuous, apico-medially protruding and truncate at apex protrusion (Fig. 9E); apical margin of tergum with narrow, brownish rim; pits of pit row small, shallow, black, only slightly larger than larger punctures on tergum (Fig. 9E); black spots on second sternum relatively small, covering about half sternum length; posterior margin of black spots obliquous; spots medially fused (Fig. 9F).

**Colouration.** Body dark blue with purplish reflections; scutellum and posterior margin of second tergum with greenish reflections; scape, pedicel and first flagellum basally metallic, other flagellomere blackish; wings hyaline, with brown veins.

**Vestiture.** Head dorsally with short, dense greyish to whitish setae as long as 1× MOD; ventrally with long white setae, at least 2× MOD long; mesosoma and metasoma dorsally with short (1× MOD) greyish setae, laterally on metasoma and on legs with erect, very long white hairs, as long as 2–3× MOD.

**Male.** Unknown.

**Etymology.** The specific epithet *amerii* (masculine noun in genitive) is dedicated to Ali Ameri (Tehran, Iran), for his contribution to the study of Iranian Chrysididae, having collected a large number of new species for the country and for science in the last decade.

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Hormozgan).

#### *Chrysis amneris* Balthasar, 1953

*Chrysis* (*Tetrachrysis*) *amneris* Balthasar, 1953:227. Holotype ♂; Palestine: Wadi el Kelt (Prague) (*amneris* group).

*Chrysis amneris*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2020:30 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palestine, Russia; Sudan; Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates (Rosa et al., 2017b, 2020a).

#### *Chrysis angustifrons agitata* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Chrysis* (*Chrysis*) *angustifrons agitata* Linsenmaier, 1959a:138. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Sullan Dagħ (Luzern) (*elegans* group).

*Chrysis angustifrons agitata*: Rosa et al., 2013:15 (cat, East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

#### *Chrysis angustifrons angustifrons* Abeille de Perrin, 1878

*Chrysis angustifrons* Abeille de Perrin, 1878:5. Syntypes ♂, ♀ [not holotype ♂]; France (Paris) (*elegans* group).

*Chrysis* (*Holochrysis*) *pyrrha* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:153. Holotype ♀; Georgia: Lagodekhi (St. Petersburg).

*Chrysis* (*Holochrysis*) *poetarum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:154. Holotype ♂; Iran: Luristan (St. Petersburg).

*Chrysis* (*Holochrysis*) *sappho* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:153. Holotype ♂; Georgia: Lagodekhi (St. Petersburg).

*Chrysis pyrrha*: Rosa et al., 2013:27 (Khuzestan, Lorestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khuzestan, Lorestan). Southern Europe from Spain to Greece, Caucasus (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis pyrrha* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij was synonymised with *Chrysis angustifrons* Abeille de Perrin by Rosa et al. (2017a:48).

#### *Chrysis annulata* du Buysson, 1887

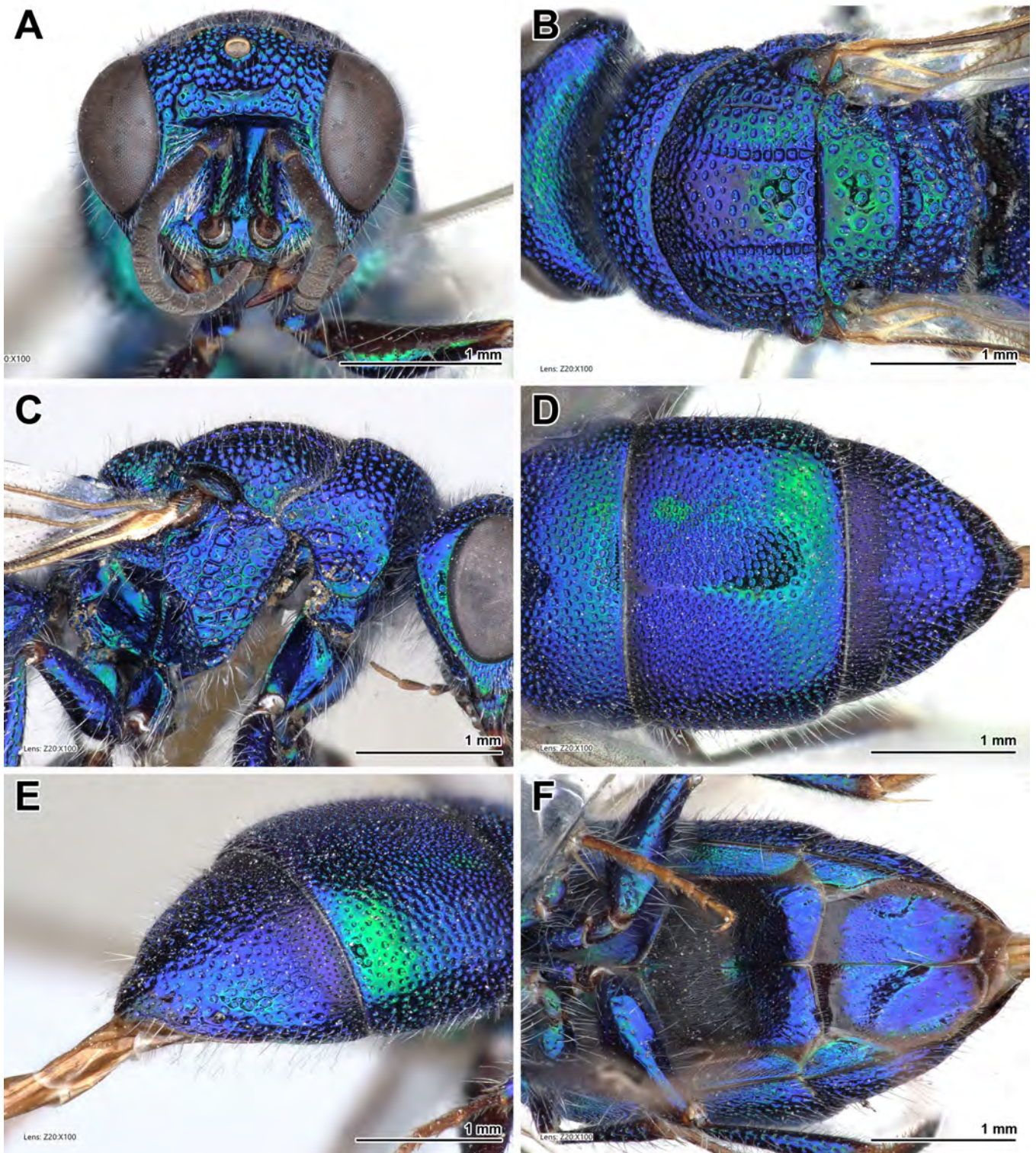
*Chrysis annulata* du Buysson, 1887:192. Holotype ♂; Palestine: Tiberias (Paris) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis annulata*: Rosa et al., 2013:16 (East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Khuzestan); Ebrahimi, 2015:25 (Alborz) Farhad et al., 2015b:37 (Hormozgan).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Alborz, Shahrestanak, 35°55'34"N, 51°22'20"E, 8.vi.2010, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC); 1♂, Alborz, Karaj, 35°46'20"N, 50°56'4"E, 16.vi.2010, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC); 1♀, idem, 6.vii.2010 (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Hormozgan, Khuzestan). South-eastern Europe, Cyprus, Palestine, Syria, Pakistan; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).





**Figure 9.** *Chrysis amerii* Rosa & Farhad, **sp. nov.**, female, holotype. **A.** Head, frontal view; **B.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **C.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **D.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Chrysis apiata* du Buysson, 1900**

*Chrysis apiata* du Buysson, 1900:149. Holotype ♂; Iran: Tehran (Paris) (*comparata* group).

*Chrysis apiata*: Rosa et al., 2013:16 (Khorasan-e Razavi, Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi, Fars) (du Buysson, 1900).

***Chrysis araratica* Radoszkowski, 1890**

*Chrysis araratica* Radoszkowski, 1890:509. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Buyuk Agri Dagħ [Mt. Ararat] (Krakow) (*scutellaris* group).

*Chrysis araratica*: Rosa et al., 2013:16 (West-Azarbaijan - Kamal-Abad).

**Distribution.** Iran (West-Azarbaijan). Türkiye (Radoszkowski, 1890).

***Chrysis asiatica* Radoszkowski, 1889**

*Chrysis asiatica* Radoszkowski, 1889:26. Holotype ♂; Uzbekistan: Tashkent (Krakow) (*comparata* group).

*Chrysis asiatica*: Rosa et al., 2013:17 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi). Central Asia: Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (Radoszkowski, 1891).

***Chrysis batyamensis* Linsenmaier, 1969**

*Chrysis batyamensis* Linsenmaier, 1969:376. Holotype ♀; Palestine: Bat Yam (Luzern) (*curta* group).

*Chrysis batyamensis*: Rosa, 2020:465 (Hormozgan), 473 (Fig. 7).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Palestine.

***Chrysis brunneamarginata* Farhad, Rosa & Talebi [in Farhad et al., 2019]**

*Chrysis varidens sillensis* Linsenmaier, 1987: Farhad et al., 2015b:40 (Hormozgan).

*Chrysis brunneamarginata* Farhad et al., 2019:1008 (key, figs 2B, C, J), 1009 (figs 3G, H, I), 1010 (fig. 4), 1011 (fig. 5). Holotype ♂; Iran: Hormozgan Minab, Chelo, 27° 10'30"N, 57°01'09"E, 16m, 20.iv.2012, leg. A. Ameri (Tehran) (*varidens* group).

**Remarks.** This species was initially identified as *Chrysis varidens sillensis*, but later described and recognized as distinct species (Farhad et al., 2019).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan).

***Chrysis capito* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Chrysis (Gonodontochoyris) capito* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:159. Holotype ♂; Iran: Arysh env. [Arisht in Qazvin, not Azerbaijan, rajon Khojavend] (St. Petersburg) (*bihamata* group).

*Chrysis (Gonodontochoyris) capito*: Rosa et al., 2013:17 (Qazvin).

**Distribution.** Iran (Qazvin).

***Chrysis caucasicola* Balthasar, 1953**

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) analis* var. *caucasicola* Mocsáry, 1912b:586, *nom. praeocc., nec* Radoszkowski, 1877. Holotype ♀; Azerbaijan: Adjikent (Budapest) (*comparata* group).

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) analis* f. *caucasicola* Balthasar, 1953:228. Replacement name for *Chrysis analis* var. *caucasicola* Mocsáry, 1912, *nec* Mocsáry, 1889.

*Chrysis (Chrysis) analis* ssp. *caucasiensis* Linsenmaier, 1959a:146. Replacement name for *Chrysis analis caucasicola* Mocsáry, 1912, *nec* Mocsáry, 1889.

*Chrysis perrinii* Radoszkowski, 1889:25; Rosa et al., 2013:26 (Tehran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Tehran). Caucasus, Azerbaijan, Georgia (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** The record of *Chrysis simplonica* Linsenmaier, 1951 from Gilan (Samin et al., 2014) is considered doubtful (see below) and should refer to *C. caucasicola*.

***Chrysis chamrosh* Rosa, sp. nov. (Fig. 10A–F)**

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**Material examined.** Holotype ♀; IRAN, Mazandaran province: 75 km S of Chalus [Elburs], 2400m, 12.vii.1977, leg. J. Gusenleitner (NMLU).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis chamrosh* sp. nov. belongs to the *succincta* group. It is closely related to the Central



Asian *Chrysis irenes* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954, known from Tajikistan, whose type is illustrated in Rosa et al. (2017a, plate 67). *Chrysis chamrosh* sp. nov. can be separated by its colour pattern, an important diagnostic character in this species group (Linsenmaier, 1959a; Rosa & Makris, 2023), by the shape of the apical margin of the third tergum, the pit row and the body punctuation. The body colour is green with red to purplish areas on anterior margin of pronotum, mesonotum, metanotum and propodeum (Fig. 10A) (*vs.* red only on mesonotum, with a small golden hue anteromedially on scutellum in *C. irenes*); the scapal basin is largely polished (Fig. 10B) (*vs.* densely micropunctate laterally); the mesonotal punctuation is spaced and shallow (Fig. 10C) (*vs.* dense and deeper); the metasomal punctuation is distinctly shallower and sparser in the second half of the tergite (*vs.* uniformly dense); the third tergum has small, shallow and spaced pits of the pit row (Fig. 10E) (*vs.* pits of the pit row deep and elongate); the black spots on second sternum are fused medially in both species, but in *C. chamrosh* there is a greenish median spot before the apical margin (Fig. 10F).

**Description.** — **Holotype** ♀ (Fig. 10A–F). Body length: 6.3 mm; wing length: 3.8 mm.

**Head.** Frons with dense, weakly impressed, small punctures (0.2–0.4 MOD), larger and more spaced on temples between lateral ocelli and eyes, denser and smaller on ocelli area and occipital area; lateral ocelli with two deep lateral foveae; frontal carina weak, as a dark line with vaguely M-shaped between frontal punctures (Fig. 10B); punctures between scapal basin and frontal carina larger than on those between anterior ocellus and frontal carina, not elongate; scapal basin deep, impunctate and polished medially with scattered, small punctures laterally (Fig. 10B); malar space long (1.1 MOD) covered by small, dense punctuation; subantennal space short (0.6 × MOD); genal carina sharp, fully developed from temple to mandible insertion; apex of clypeus with thin brown rim. OOL 1.8 × MOD; POL 2.0 × MOD; MS 1.1 × MOD; relative length of P: F1: F2: F3 = 1.0: 1.6: 1.0: 0.8.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal line weak, reaching 1/3rds of pronotal length; pronotum as long as scutellum, with small to medium punctures (0.1 – 0.6 × MOD), the latter larger than punctures of head; punctures on pronotal scutum weak and irregularly shaped; mesoscutum with similar puncture, sparser and weaker on median area and between notauli and parapsidal lines, with wide polished interspaces; notauli formed by small, deep foveae, subrectangular basesally and small and rounded towards apex, parapsidal signum as deep, dark line; mesoscutellum with spaced and shallow punctures; scutellar-metanotal suture deep, formed by longitudinally elongate foveae; metanotal punctures denser, without polished interspaces; posterior propodeal projections slightly divergent; with blunt apex; mesopleuron with punctures larger and shallower on mesepimeron; episternal sulcus formed by small, subsquare foveae, partially confluent each other.

**Metasoma.** Terga with even, geminate punctures (punctures appearing as two merged together, as the typical metasomal sculpture of *Trichrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876), smaller than those on mesoscutum; on first tergum slightly larger, on second tergum smaller and sparser on second half; on third tergum sparser; median longitudinal carina faint; pits of the pit row small, black and rounded (Fig. 10E); apical teeth short, triangular, bordered with hyaline rim; black spots on second sternum fused medially, covering almost 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of sternal length and with greenish median spot before the apical margin (Fig. 10F).

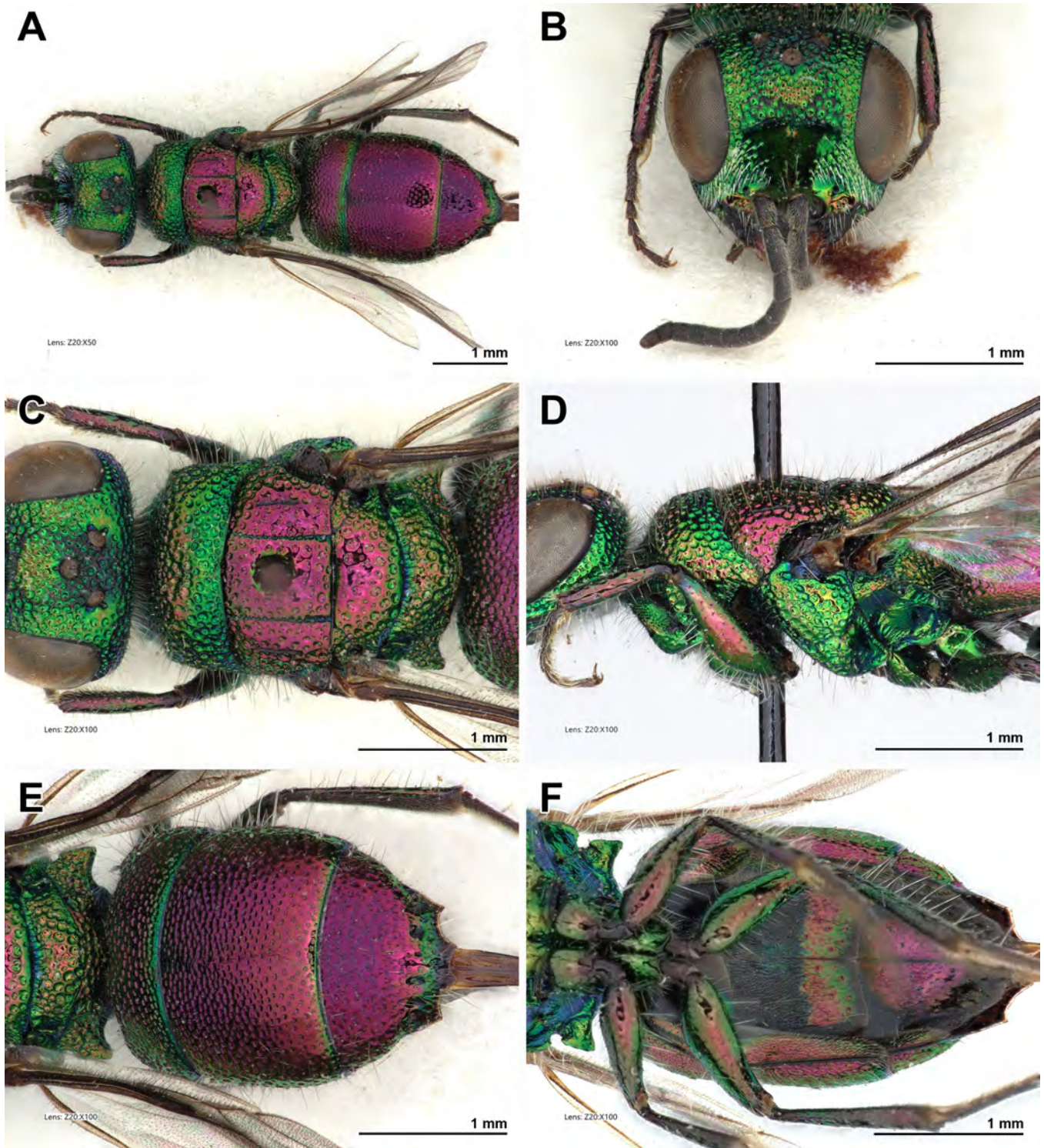
**Colour.** Head and mesosoma green with red to purplish areas on anterior and lateral margin of pronotum, mesonotum, metanotum and propodeum; tegula slightly metallic red along inner margin; notauli blue; scutellar-metanotal suture blue to green; mesopleuron green with golden hue medially; legs pinkish; metasoma red to purplish with apical margin of all tergites green; sterna red; wings hyaline with brown nervures.

**Male.** Unknown.

**Etymology.** The specific epithet *chamrosh* (masculine, in apposition) is the name of a mythological bird in Persian mythology said to live on the summit of Mount Alborz, close to the type locality area where the holotype of this *Chrysis* species was collected, in Mazandaran Province.

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran).





**Figure 10.** *Chrysis chamrosh* Rosa, *sp. nov.*, female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, posterior view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

### *Chrysis chlorochrysa* Mocsáry 1889

*Chrysis* (*Tetrachrysis*) *chlorochrysa* Mocsáry [in Radoszkowski], 1889:23. Syntypes ♂, ♀; Turkmenistan [not Iran]: Askhabad (Kraków) (*viridissima* group).

*Chrysis subcoerulea* Radoszkowski, 1891:191; Rosa et al., 2013:31 (East-Azarbaijan, Mazandaran); Farhad et al., 2015b:40 (Hormozgan).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Hormozgan, Minab, 27°08'39"N, 57°04'31"E, 2.vii.2012, leg. A. Ameri.

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Hormozgan, Mazandaran). Greece (Linsenmaier, 1968), Türkiye (Strumia & Yildirim, 2009); Central Asia: Turkmenistan (Mocsáry in Radoszkowski, 1889).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis subcoerulea* Radoszkowski was synonymised by Rosa et al. (2015d:60).

### *Chrysis cingulicornis libanoensis* Linsenmaier, 1968

*Chrysis cingulicornis libanoensis* Linsenmaier, 1968:81. Holotype ♀; Lebanon (Luzern) (*viridula* group).

*Chrysis cingulicornis libanoensis*: Linsenmaier, 1987:149 (Mazandaran).

*Chrysis cingulicornis*: Rosa et al., 2013:18 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran) (Linsenmaier, 1987). Lebanon, Türkiye (Strumia & Yildirim, 2009).

### *Chrysis clarinicornis* Linsenmaier, 1951

*Chrysis ignita* var. *clarinicornis* Linsenmaier, 1951:77 [not 78]. Lectotype ♀ designated by Linsenmaier, 1959a:154; Switzerland: Wallis (Luzern) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis ignita* var. *clarinicornis*: Farzaneh et al., 2017:498 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). West Palaearctic: from Southern and Central Europe to Ural; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis coa* Invrea, 1939 (Fig. 16D)

*Chrysis coa* Invrea, 1939:108. Holotype ♂; Greece: Kos Is. (Triest) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis coa*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:20 (Kordestan); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kordestan). Greece (Kos Is., Rhodes Is.) (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

### *Chrysis comparata* Lepeletier 1806

*Chrysis comparata* Lepeletier, 1806:127. Neotype ♂ designated by Rosa & Xu, 2015:13; France: Meudon (Turin) (*comparata* group).

*Chrysis comparata*: Rosa, 2020:465 (Alborz, Mazandaran), 474 (fig. 11).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Mazandaran). West-Palaearctic from Europe to Caucasus, Ural, and Siberia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013; Linsenmaier, 1999).

### *Chrysis comta* Förster, 1853

*Chrysis comta* Förster, 1853:314. Holotype ♂; Türkiye (type depository unknown) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis comta*: Rosa et al., 2013:18 (East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Euroasian, from Central and Southern Europe to Türkiye, Caucasus, Ural, and China (Rosa et al., 2014).

### *Chrysis confluens* (Dahlbom, 1845)

*Chrysurus confluens* Dahlbom, 1845:6. Holotype ♂; Greece: Rhodes Is. (Stockholm) (*elegans* group).

*Gonochrysis elegans* var. *smaragdula* Trautmann, 1926, *nom. praeoccup., nec* Fabricius, 1775. Lectotype ♂ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:407. Greece: Rhodes Is. (Berlin).

*Chrysis* (*Chrysis*) *elegans* ssp. *interrogata* Linsenmaier, 1959a:137. Replacement name for *Gonochrysis elegans* var. *smaragdula* Trautmann, 1926, *nec* Fabricius, 1775.

*Chrysis elegans* ssp. *interrogata* Linsenmaier, 1959 = *Chrysis confluens* (Dahlbom, 1845): Rosa & Vårdal, 2015:96.

*Chrysis elegans interrogata*: Rosa et al., 2013:20 (Fars).

*Chrysis elegans* ssp. *smaragdula*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:21 (Kordestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kordestan). Rhodes (Linsenmaier, 1959a), Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1968).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis elegans interrogata* Linsenmaier, 1959 was synonymised with *Chrysis confluens* Dahlbom by Rosa & Vårdal (2015).



***Chrysis consanguinea* Mocsáry, 1889**

*Chrysis* (*Gonochrysis*) *consanguinea* Mocsáry, 1889:299. Syntypes ♀♀ [not ♂ and ♀]; Italy: Sicily; Algeria (Geneva) (*viridula* group).

*Chrysis consanguinea*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:20 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi). Palaearctic, from Southern Europe to Caucasus and Siberia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysis consobrina* Mocsáry, 1889**

*Chrysis* (*Tetrachrysis*) *consobrina* Mocsáry, 1889:458. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Bohart & French, 1986:341; Turkmenistan: Ashgabat (Budapest) (*scutellaris* group).

*Chrysis soror consobrina*: Rosa et al., 2013:30 (Demabend [=Demavand]); Farzaneh et al., 2017:499 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars), as Persia (Bischoff, 1913; Balthasar, 1953). Transcaspia (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis consobrina* was ranked as a valid species by Rosa et al. (2017e).

***Chrysis corusca* Valkeila, 1971**

*Chrysis corusca* Valkeila, 1971:84. Holotype ♀; Sweden: Åsbro Lerbäck (Stockholm) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis corusca*: Rosa et al., 2013:18 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran). Central and Northern Europe (Paukkunen et al., 2015).

***Chrysis crenulata* Rosa, sp. nov. (Fig. 11A–F)**

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**Material examined.** Holotype ♀; IRAN, Golestan province: Elburs 40 km S of Shahpasand Tilabad, 1600m, 16.vii.1977, leg. A.W. Ebmer / bei *heraklionica* spec.? Coll. Linsenmaier / GBIF\_Chr 00019822 (NMLU).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis crenulata* sp. nov. belongs to the *succincta* group and is related to *Chrysis heraklionica* Linsenmaier, 1968 from Crete, as already noticed by Linsenmaier on his identification label. The main differences between these two species are body punctation, spaced in *C. crenulata* sp. nov., in particular well visible on mesonotum and metasoma (*vs.* deep, dense, without polished interspaces in *C. heraklionica*); scapal basin medially crenulate and not typically polished as in all the other species of the *succincta* group; impunctate area of scapal basin T-shaped, not largely polished as in other species (Fig. 11B); colour pattern with scutellum green, contrasting mesoscutum (Fig. 11C); green to golden-green on head, pronotum posteriorly, metanotum and propodeum (red non-contrasting and other segments blue in *C. heraklionica*); antenna with scape, pedicel and first flagellomere basally metallic (non-metallic in *C. heraklionica*).

**Description.** — Holotype ♀ (Fig. 11A–F). Body length 7.4 mm; anterior wing length 4.2 mm (Fig. 11A).

**Head.** Vertex, ocellar area and brow with dense and small punctures (0.2–0.3× MOD); from posterior ocelli to temples with similar punctures but separated by polished wide interspaces of 1 puncture diameter; posterior ocelli with postero-lateral deep fovea confluent in a lateral, narrow fovea, as long as ocellus length; postero-laterad posterior ocelli with larger polished area as large as 1× MOD; scapal basin deep below upper margin, medially and apically relatively flat for females in this group; impunctate T-shaped area below upper margin and medially (width of 2× MOD) not fully polished, but unusually crenulated; laterally densely and finely punctate as in males of this group, each puncture bearing white short seta, but pilosity not covering face and malar spaces, still clearly visible; malar space finely and densely punctate; frontal carina weak (Fig. 11B), irregular, barely visible as impunctate stripe between punctures, with darker coloration; genal carina sharp, straight, fully developed from middle eye to mandibular insertion; subantennal space short, 0.6× MOD; apex of clypeus straight, slightly arcuate upward with narrow, dark brown rim. Distance between anterior ocellus and margin of upper transverse frontal carina = 2.5× MOD. OOL 1.6× MOD; POL 2.0× MOD; MS 0.9× MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.7:0.8:0.7.



*Mesosoma*. Medial pronotal furrow deep, reaching 3/4 of pronotal length; pronotum with uneven punctures, small to medium sized (0.1–0.5× MOD), shallow on anterior margin, denser and deeper laterally, with occasional dots on interspaces; on mesoscutum with relatively shallow punctures, larger postero-medially on median area, distinctly smaller antero-medially (Fig. 11C); median area with polished interspaces without small punctures or dots; lateral area of mesoscutum with denser punctures, in particular denser and deeper at sides; notauli formed by deep, blue metallic, round, and very small foveae, as large as the smaller adjacent punctures; parapsidal signum deep and distinct; scutellum with punctures similar to those at base of mesoscutum, with large triangular, polished area antero-medially; scutellar-metanotal suture deep, formed by longitudinally elongate foveae; metanotum densely and deeply punctate, with small punctures on narrow interspaces; posterior propodeal projections subparallel; mesopleuron with episternal sulcus formed by large, subrectangular foveae, as large as two punctures and confluent with adjacent points (Fig. 11D).

*Metasoma*. Punctures on terga even, deep without dots or small punctures on interspaces; longitudinal median carina faint; third tergum with large, deep pits of pit row, two median pits larger than other punctures on tergum, others as large or slightly larger than largest punctures on tergum (Fig. 11E); apical margin quadridentate, with median ones closer each other than lateral and median one; median teeth blunt, lateral ones acute; black spots on second sternum large, covering half of sternum length; spots fused only medially with posterior margin convex (Fig. 11F).

*Colouration*. Body with typical colour pattern of *succincta*, with pronotum anteriorly, mesoscutum and metasoma red, excluding the apical margin blue; head and other parts green to golden green; legs greenish to reddish; black on median area of metascutum and antero-medially on second tergum; tegula non-metallic; scape, pedicel, and first flagellomere basally metallic.

*Vestiture*. Setae whitish and long (at least 1.5× MOD) on head and mesosoma dorsally; longer (up to 3× MOD) on metasoma laterally and on femora and tibiae, here erect on both and outer side.

**Male.** Unknown.

**Etymology.** The specific epithet *crenulata* derives from the New Latin adjective *crenulatus* (crenulate) and refers to the microsculpture on the scapal basin of the female, usually polished in the *succincta* species-group.

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Golestan).

### *Chrysis cylindrica* Eversmann, 1858 (Fig. 12A–F)

*Chrysis cylindrica* Eversmann, 1858:554. Holotype ♀; Russia: Kazan (Kraków) (*viridula* group).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Kordestan, 1500 m, 22 km N of Kamyaran, 34°57'20"N, 46°58'38"E, 18.v.2013, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Kordestan). South-East Europe, Caucasus, Russia (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis daphnis syriensis* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Chrysis (Chrysis) daphnis syriensis* Linsenmaier, 1959a:133. Holotype ♀; Syria: Homs (Luzern) (*viridula* group).

*Chrysis daphnis syriensis*: Rosa et al., 2013:18 (Fars, Qazvin); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:20 (Fars, Khorasan-e Razavi); Rosa, 2020:465 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Khorasan-e Razavi, Mazandaran, Qazvin). Palestine, Syria, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

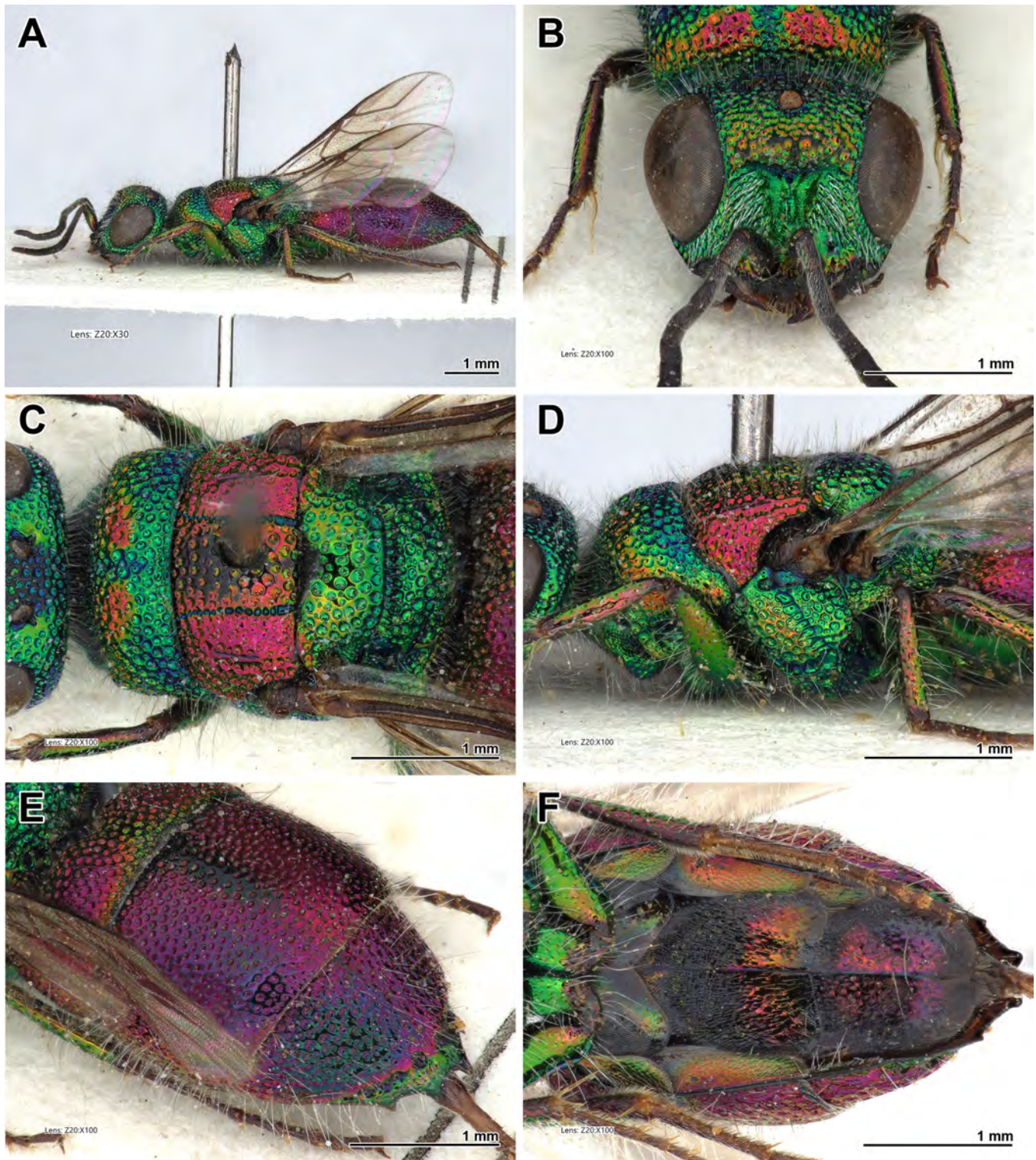
### *Chrysis dauriana* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Chrysis (Chrysis) cavaleriei dauriana* Linsenmaier, 1959a:112. Holotype ♀; Russia: Dauria (Luzern) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis cavaleriei dauriana*: Rosa et al., 2013:17 (Alborz).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz). Central Asia (Linsenmaier, 1959a), Siberia, Russian Far East, Mongolia (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis dauriana* Linsenmaier was ranked as a valid species by Rosa et al. (2017a:40). Re-examination of the specimen in Linsenmaier's collection is requested.



**Figure 11.** *Chrysis crenulata* Rosa, **sp. nov.**, female, holotype. **A.** Habitus, lateral view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Chrysis demavendae* Radoszkowski, 1881 (Fig. 13A-F)**

*Chrysis demavendae* Radoszkowski, 1881:v. Syntypes ♂, ♀; Iran: Damavend Mt. (Tehran/Mazandaran) (Berlin) (*smaragdula* group).

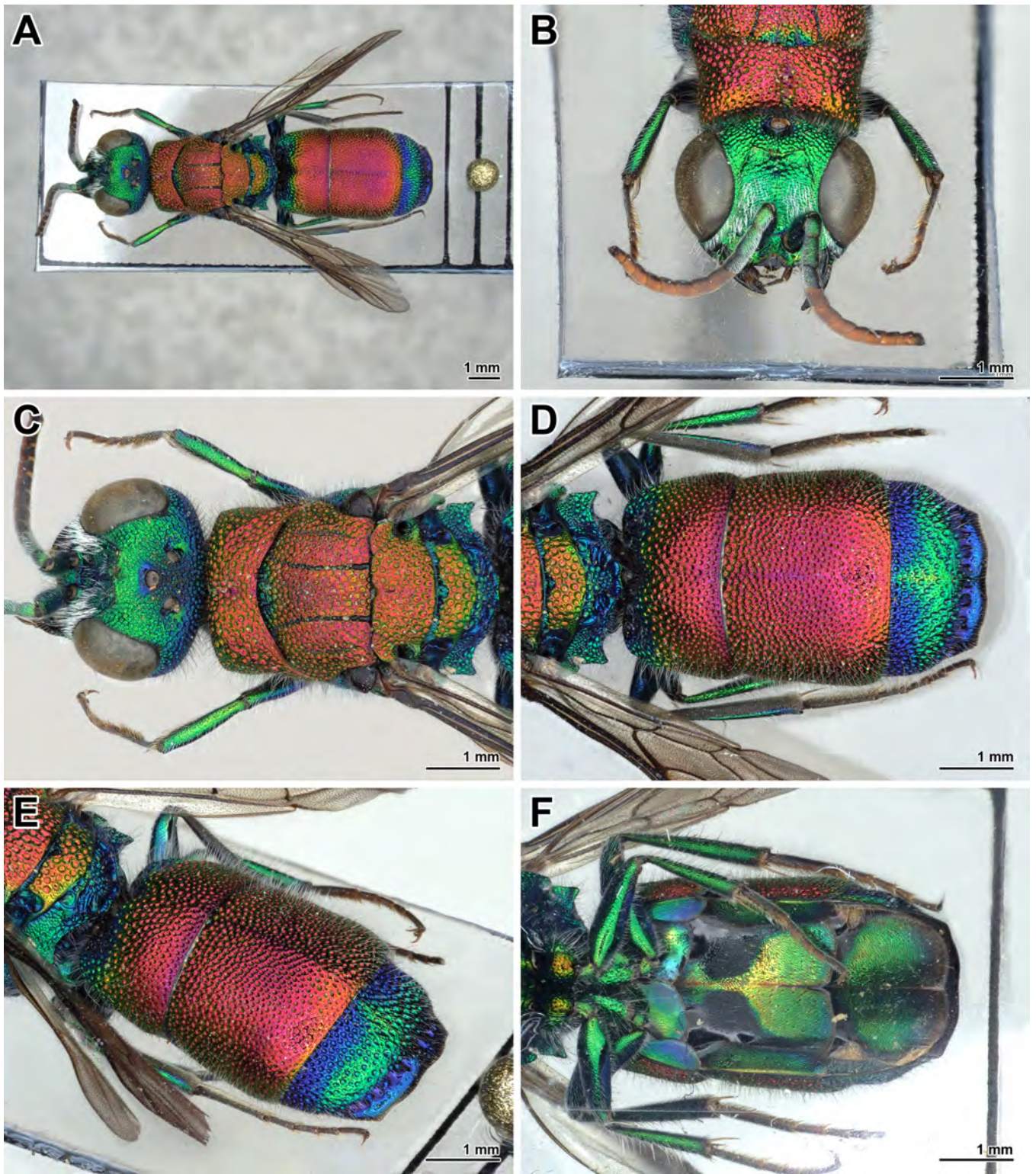
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*Chrysis demavendae*: Rosa et al., 2013:19 (Tehran/Mazandaran).



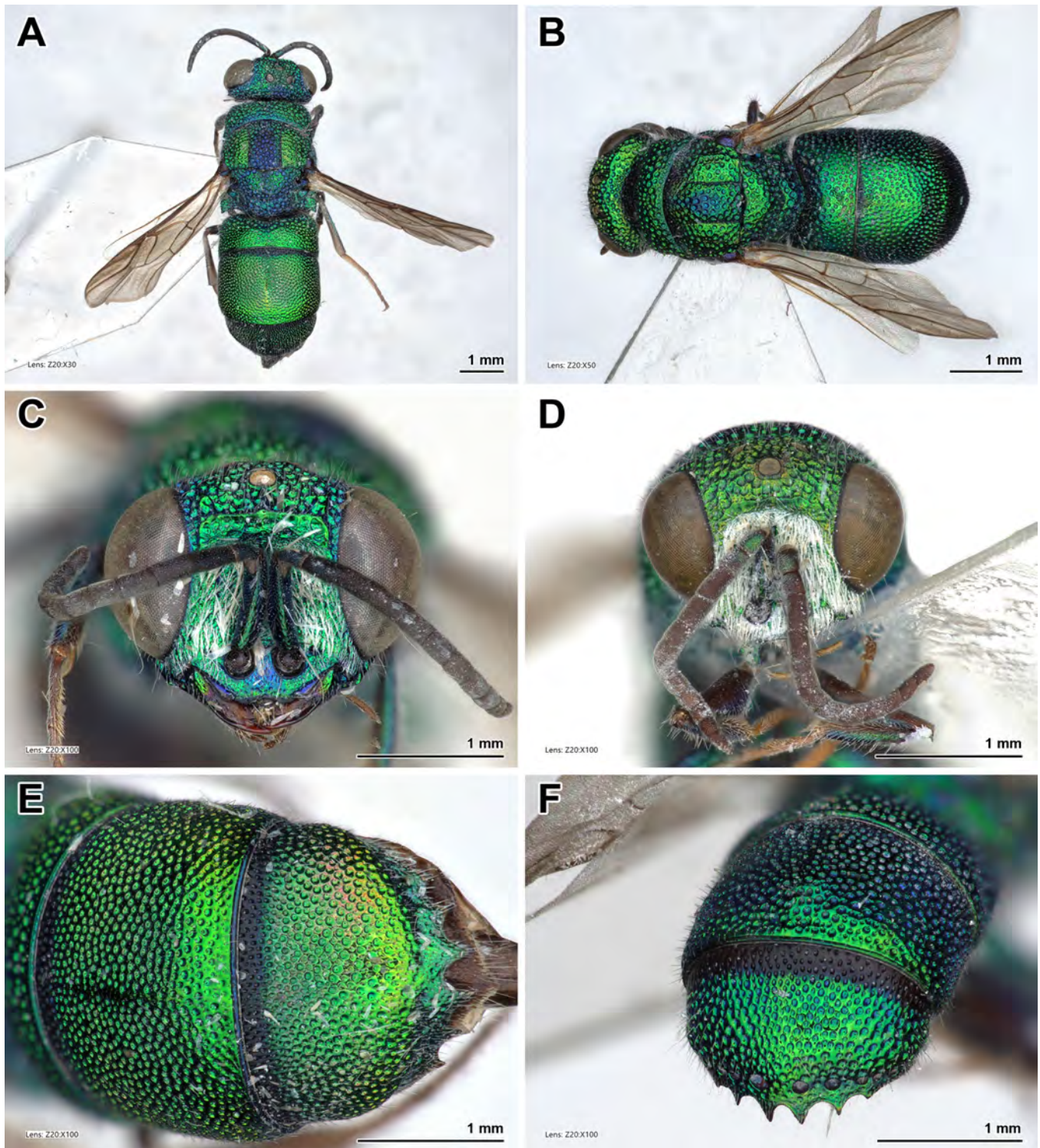
**Material examined.** 1♂, Hormozgan, Bastak, 30.iii.2011, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC); 1♀, Fars, Goldamcheh, 28°39'31"N, 53°32'17"E (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan, Mazandaran, Tehran).



**Figure 12.** *Chrysis cylindrica* Eversmann, 1858, male. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.





**Figure 13.** *Chrysis demavendae* Radoszkowski, 1881, A., C., E. Female; B., D., E. Male. A–B. Habitus, dorsal view; C–D. Head, frontal view; E–F. Mesosoma, posterior view;

***Chrysis dentipes dentipes* Radoszkowski, 1877**

*Chrysis dentipes* Radoszkowski, 1877:15. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991; Uzbekistan: Sarafschan (Moscow) (*taczanovskyi* group).

*Chrysis iraniensis* du Buysson, 1900:150. Holotype ♀; Iran: Tehran (Paris).

*Chrysis eversmanni* Mocsáry, 1912a:407. Holotype ♂; Turkmenistan (Budapest).

*Chrysis dentipes*: Rosa et al., 2013:19 (Tehran); Farhad et al., 2015b:37 (Hormozgan).

**Material examined.** 1 ♀, Hormozgan, Chelo, 27°10'30"N, 57°10'09"E, 11.iv.2011, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan, Tehran). Central Asia: Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan (Tarbinsky, 2002a).

### *Chrysis diacantha diacantha* Mocsáry, 1889

*Chrysis* (*Dichrysis*) *diacantha* Mocsáry, 1889:318. Lectotype ♀ designated by Móczár, 1965; Caucasus (Budapest) (*varidens-ragusae* group).

*Chrysis diacantha diacantha*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2020:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). South-East Europe, Caucasus, Middle East, Central Asia, Russia (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis distincta distincta* Mocsáry, 1887

*Chrysis analis* var. *incerta* Radoszkovsky, 1880:145, *nom. praeoccup., nec* Dahlbom, 1854. Type ♀; Caucasus (Krakow) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis distincta* Mocsáry, 1887:13. Replacement name for *analis incerta* Radoszkovsky, 1880.

*Chrysis distincta*: Rosa et al., 2013:19 (Sistan & Baluchestan); Rosa, 2020:465 (Kerman, North Khorasan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kerman, North Khorasan, Sistan & Baluchestan), Caucasus, Palestine, Türkiye, Pakistan; Central Asia; Northern Africa: Algeria (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis distincta exigua* Mocsáry, 1889

*Chrysis* (*Tetrachrysis*) *exigua* Mocsáry, 1889:454. Holotype ♀; Uzbekistan: Tashkent (Kraków) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis distincta exigua*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:20 (Alborz).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz). Central Asia (Mocsáry, 1889).

### *Chrysis echidna* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967 (Figs 14A–F; 31B, 31F)

*Chrysis* (*Tetrachrysis*) *echidna* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:163. Holotype ♀; Turkmenistan: Ashkhabad (St. Petersburg) (*subsinuata* group).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Hormozgan, Bastak, 30.iii.2011, leg. Ameri (TMUC); 1♂, Ilam province: SW of Abdanan, 32°54'54"N, 47°18'3.6"E, 1830m, 12.v.2016, leg. M. Kafka (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Hormozgan, Ilam). Turkmenistan (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).

### *Chrysis edentata* Rosa & Baiocchi, sp. nov. (Figs 15A–F, 16A)

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**Material examined.** Holotype ♂; IRAN, Kerman province: N of Deh Bakri, 29°07'40"N, 57°55'99"E, 1825m, 26–27.v.2012, leg. D. Baiocchi (MSNM).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis edentata* sp. nov. belongs to the *succincta* group and is somehow related to *Chrysis mavromoustakisi* Trautmann, 1929 from Cyprus due to the general habitus, similar to *Chrysis grohmanni* Dahlbom, 1854 and without apical teeth on the last visible tergum. Also the short second flagellomere (shorter than the third) and male genitalia are related to *C. mavromoustakisi*, but the genital capsule of *C. edentata* is narrower, the gonostylus shorter and the apex of gonostylus simple, digitate, not bifurcate as in *C. mavromoustakisi* (Figs 16A, B); apical margin of third tergum edentate, unmodified (Fig. 15E), whereas in *C. mavromoustakisi* is pulled out, with elongate pits of the pit row (Fig. 16G); black spots on second tergum medially fused in *C. edentata*, with straight margin, covering less than half sternum (vs. separate medially, with oblique margin and covering more than half sternum); besides other characters, also the colour pattern of *Chrysis edentata* sp. nov. is significantly different, being entirely green (Fig. 15A) and clearly distinct from the contrasting red and blue colour of *Chrysis mavromoustakisi* (Figs 16G, compare also the picture in Rosa et al., 2017d:fig. 7B).

**Description.** — Holotype ♂ (Figs 15A–F). Body length 6.3 mm; anterior wing length 3.5 mm (Fig. 15A).

**Head.** Vertex, ocellar area and brow between anterior ocellus and upper branch of transverse frontal carina with dense and small punctures; postero-laterad posterior ocelli with polished area as large as 1×



MOD; posterior ocelli with postero-lateral deep and small fovea (Fig. 15C); scapal basin deep and medially polished for a width of  $1 \times \text{MOD}$ , laterally densely and finely punctate, each puncture bearing white seta; white pilosity covering face and malar spaces (Fig. 15B); malar space finely and densely punctate; frontal carina double, upper transverse frontal carina substraight, slightly curved downwards medially, downcurved to connect lower part laterally (Fig. 15B); lower carina topping scapal basin and weakly produced, compared to upper one; genal carina sharp, straight, fully developed from middle eye to mandibular insertion; subantennal space short,  $0.6 \times \text{MOD}$ ; apex of clypeus arcuate upward with narrow, dark brown rim. Clypeus sparsely micropunctate with white setae laterally. Distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of frontal carina  $1.2 \times \text{MOD}$ ; distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of scapal basin =  $2.0 \times \text{MOD}$ . OOL  $2.0 \times \text{MOD}$ ; POL  $2.1 \times \text{MOD}$ ; MS  $1.0 \times \text{MOD}$ ; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.0:0.7:1.2.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow deep, narrow, reaching half of pronotal length; pronotum with dense, deep and even punctures of medium size ( $0.5 \times \text{MOD}$ ), with occasional small punctures between punctures; row of smaller punctures along posterior margin; punctation on mesoscutum and scutellum deep, with larger punctures (up to  $0.8 \times \text{MOD}$ ) postero-medially, spaced medially on mesoscutum, with polished interspaces (Fig. 15C); punctation on lateral areas of mesoscutum denser; notauli formed by deep, black, round, and small foveae, as large as half of larger punctures on mesonotum; parapsidal signum deep and distinct; punctures on scutellum denser with polished area along posterior margin; scutellar-metanotal suture deep, with large, irregular median fovea; posterior propodeal projections pointed, divergent, with lateral sides slightly concave; mesopleuron with episternal sulcus formed by large, irregular foveae, as large as two or three punctures and confluent with adjacent points (Fig. 15D).

**Metasoma.** Punctures on terga dense, deep and slightly smaller than those on metanotum, with dots on interspaces; punctures becoming smaller towards apical margin; longitudinal median carina weak and barely visible at base of second tergum (Fig. 15E); third tergum with small, deep pits of pit row; apical margin sinuous, with a lateral concavity before weak median indentation; margin bordered by narrow but distinct hyaline rim; black spots on second sternum relatively small, covering less than first half of sternum length; spots medially fused with posterior margin straight (Fig. 15F); genital capsule narrow, elongate, with simple gonostylus, digitate distally, not bifurcate (Fig. 16A).

**Colouration.** Body entirely emerald green including tegulae, legs, scape, pedicel, first and second flagellomere.

**Vestiture.** Setae whitish and long (at least  $2 \times \text{MOD}$ ) on head and mesosoma dorsally, on metasoma laterally; on femora; on tibia long and erect only on outer side.

**Female.** Unknown.

**Etymology.** The specific epithet *edentata* derives from the Latin adjective *edentatus* (toothless) and refers to the simple apical margin of the last metasomal tergum without teeth.

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Kerman).

### *Chrysis equestris* Dahlbom, 1854

*Chrysis equestris* Dahlbom, 1854:307. Holotype ♀; type locality unknown [most likely Sweden] (Stockholm) (*smaragdula* group).

*Chrysis equestris*: Rosa et al., 2013:20 (Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan). Euroasian, from Europe to Russian Far East (Rosa et al., 2013).

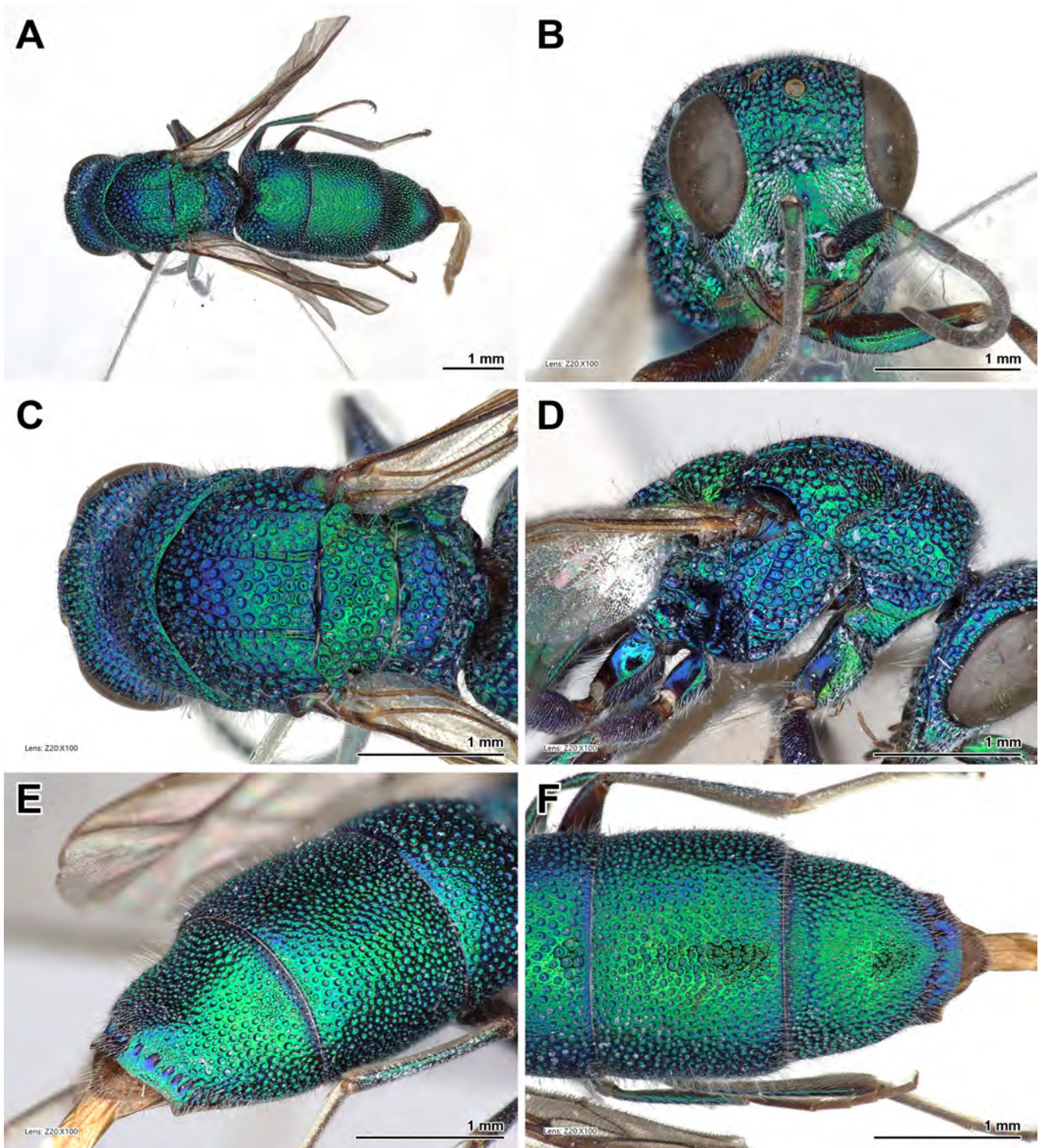
### *Chrysis erubescens* Linsenmaier, 1997

*Chrysis (Platycelia) erubescens* Linsenmaier, 1997:283. Holotype ♀; Iran: Khuzestan, Haft Tapeh, 300 km N Abadan, Choca Zambil, 29.vi-1.vii.1965, leg. A. Mavromoustakis (Luzern) (*ehrenbergi* group).

**Material examined.** 3♂♂, 3♀♀, Golestan province: 70 km E of Minudasht, 37°15'36"N, 55°59'24"E, 1050m, 12.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan, Khuzestan).





**Figure 14.** *Chrysis echidna* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967, female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, dorsal view.

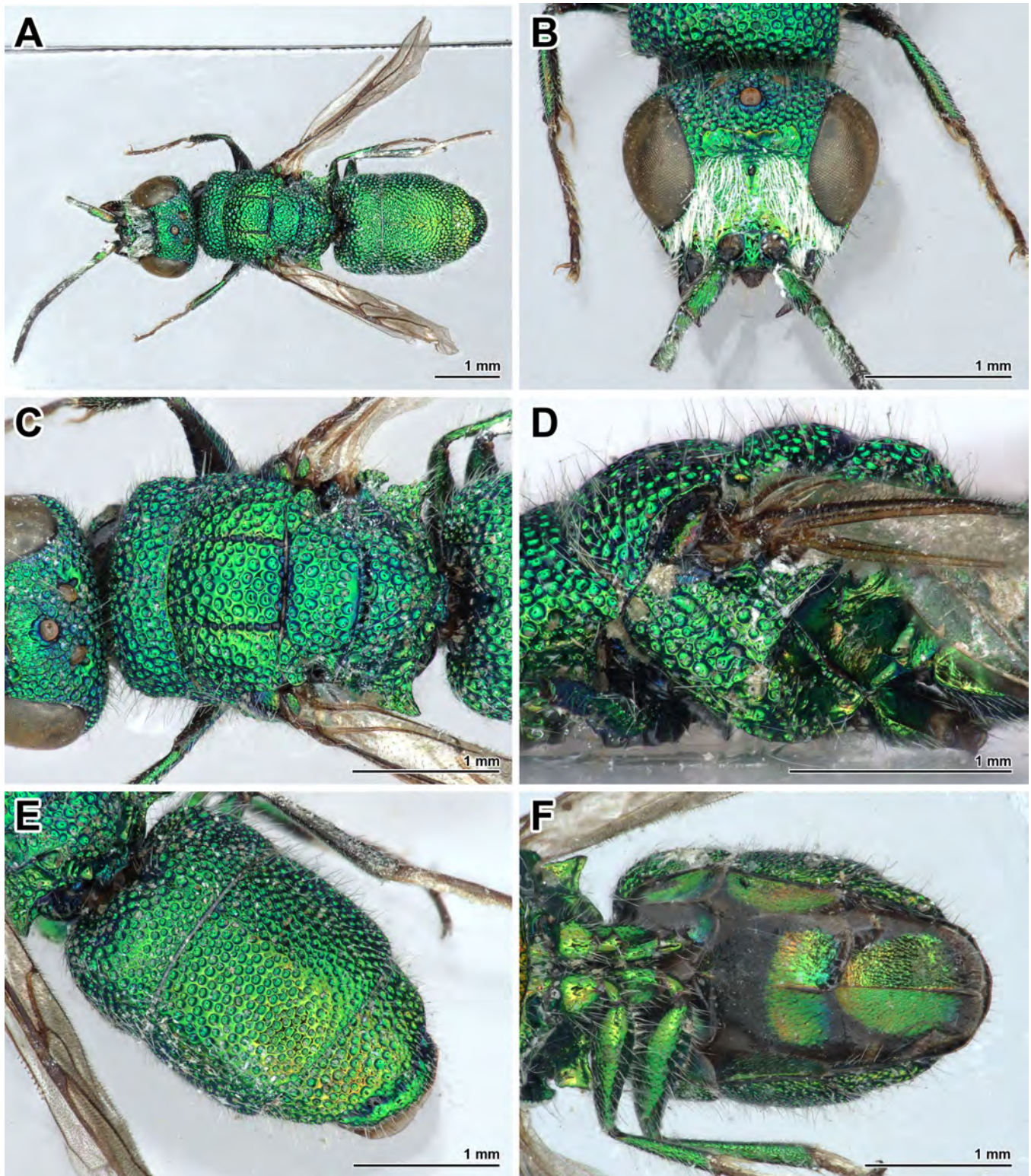
***Chrysis frivaldszkyi frivaldszkyi* Mocsáry, 1882**

*Chrysis frivaldszkyi* Mocsáry, 1882:52 [descr. in Hungarian], 84 [descr. in Latin]. Lectotype ♂ designated by Móczár, 1965:171; Hungary (Budapest) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis frivaldszkyi*: Samin et al., 2014:122 (Khorasan, Semnan); Rosa, 2020:466 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Khorasan, Semnan, and Mazandaran).





**Figure 15.** *Chrysis edentata* Rosa & Baiocchi, **sp. nov.**, male, holotype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

**Remarks.** Strumia & Fallahzadeh (2015) listed *Chrysis succincta* Linnaeus for Iran; nevertheless, the identification is based on females only. It is known (e.g. Linsenmaier, 1959a, Rosa & Makris, 2023) that females of *Chrysis succincta*, *C. tristicula* and *C. frivaldszkyi* are impossible to be identified based on



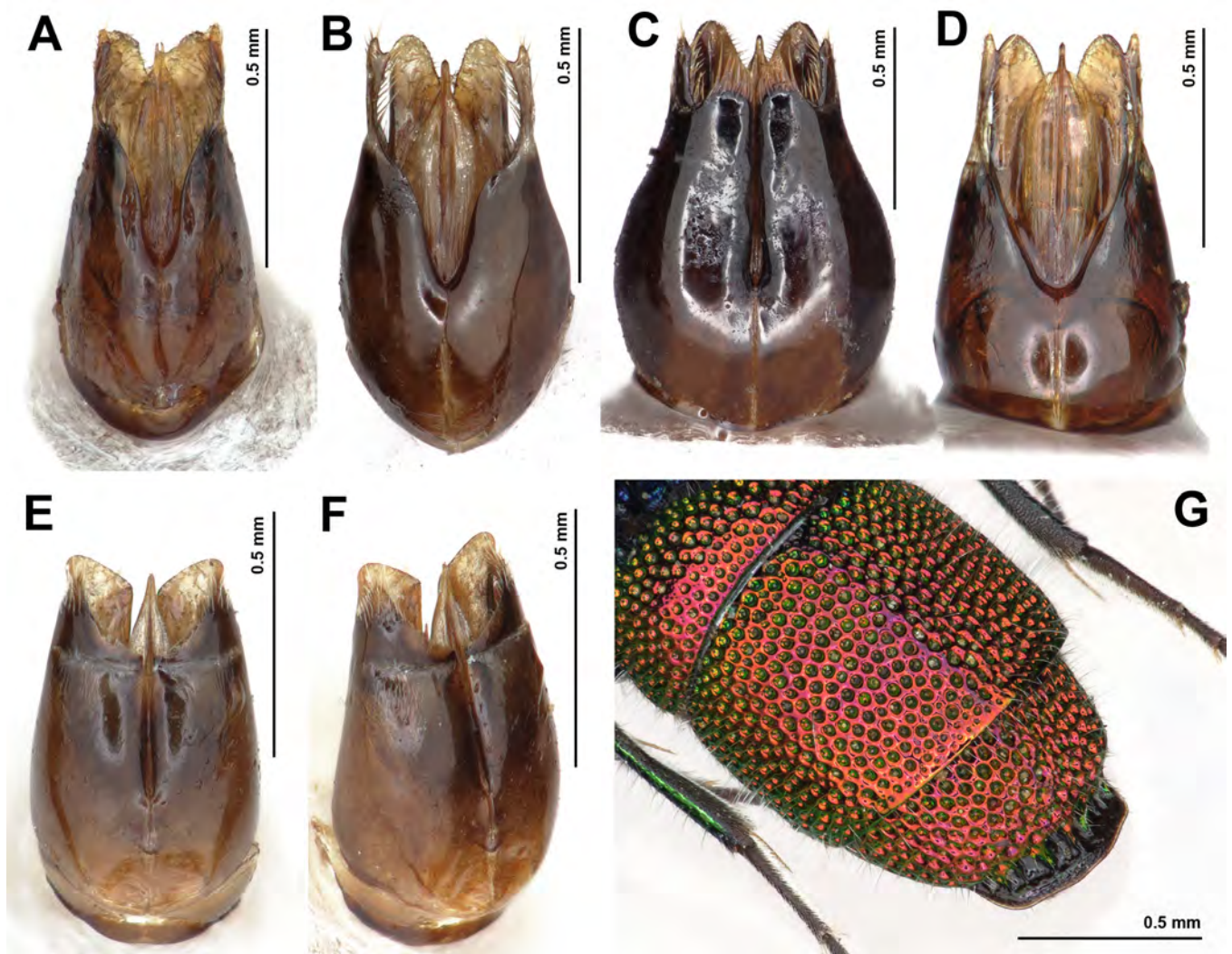
external morphological features. Since *C. succincta* is currently known with certainty only for the northern part of Central Europe, Scandinavia and part of Russia, the occurrence in Iran is doubtful. On the other hand, several similar species are found in Iran, in particular *Chrysis frivaldszkyi* seems to be very common and we suppose that Strumia & Fallahzadeh's specimens belong to this species. Strumia & Fallahzadeh (2015) postulated that these females could belong to *C. prosuccincta*. We exclude *C. succincta* from the checklist until male specimens of *Chrysis succincta* are found.

***Chrysis frivaldszkyi sparsepunctata* du Buysson, 1895**

*Chrysis succincta* var. *sparsepunctata* du Buysson, 1895:422. Holotype ♀; Turkmenistan: Serakhs (Kraków) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis frivaldszkyi* var. *sparsepunctata*: Rosa et al., 2013:20 (Fars, Golestan, Kuhgiloyeh Boyerahmad, Mazandaran). Farhad et al., 2015b:38 (Hormozgan); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Golestan, Hormozgan, Kerman, Kuhgiloyeh Boyerahmad, Mazandaran). Palestine, Syria, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a); Central Asia: Turkmenistan (du Buysson, 1895).



**Figure 16.** A–F. Genital capsule A. *Chrysis edentata* Rosa & Baiocchi, sp. nov. B. *C. mavromoustakisi* Trautmann, 1929. C. *C. titanica* Rosa, sp. nov. D. *C. coa* Invrea, 1939. E–F. *Chrysur filidichroa* Rosa & Baiocchi, sp. nov.; G. *C. mavromoustakisi* Trautmann, 1929, metasoma, postero-lateral view.



***Chrysis fulgida* Linnaeus, 1761**

*Chrysis fulgida* Linnaeus, 1761:415. Lectotype ♀ designated by Morgan, 1984:9; Sweden: Uppsala (London) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis fulgida*: Rosa et al., 2013:20 (East-Azarbaijan and Tehran); Ebrahimi, 2015:27 (Tehran).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan and Tehran). Euroasian, from Europe to Russian Far East; Central Asia (Rosa et al., 2017a).

***Chrysis gianassoi* Strumia, 2015**

*Chrysis gianassoi* Strumia in Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:14. Holotype ♀; Iran: Fars, 7 km West of Dasht-e-Arzhan, 2050 m, 29°38'N, 51°54'E, 4–6.v.2008 (Strumia private coll.) (*facialis* group).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Hormozgan, Zakin, 23.v.2011, leg. Ameri (PRC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan).

***Chrysis gorislava* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Chrysis* (*Glossochrysis*) *gorislava* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:156. Holotype ♀; Iran, Sistan & Baluchestan: Bampur, Shishapust, 8–9.iv.1901, N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg) (*pallidicornis* group).

*Chrysis gorislava*: Rosa et al., 2013:21 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan).

***Chrysis gracillima* Förster, 1853**

*Chrysis gracillima* Förster, 1853:328. Holotype ♂; Germany (Berlin) (*gracillima* group).

*Chrysis gracillima*: Rosa et al., 2013:21 (East-Azarbaijan); Farhad et al., 2019:1007 (key), 1008 (figs 2F, G), 1009 (figs 3A, B), 1011 (diag., East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). West Palaearctic, from Europe to Middle East; Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1999).

***Chrysis grohmanni bolivari* Mercet, 1902 (Figs 17A–D, 18A–D)**

*Chrysis grohmanni* var. *bolivari* Mercet, 1902:222. Holotype ♂; Syria: Marache [currently Türkiye (Kahraman Maras)] (Madrid) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis singula* Radoszkowski, 1891:187; Rosa et al., 2013:30 (East-Azarbaijan, Qazvin).

*Chrysis grohmanni bolivari*: Rosa, 2020:466 (Mazandaran).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Alborz, Karaj, 35°46'20"N, 50°56'44"E, 10.viii.2010, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC); 1♀ Arangeh, 35°55'07"N, 51°05'09"E, 10.viii.2010, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Mazandaran, Qazvin) (Linsenmaier, 1959a:109). Palestine, Rhodes, Syria, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968).

**Remarks.** This species was misidentified as *Chrysis singula* Radoszkowski by Rosa et al. (2013). Previous citations of *Chrysis grohmanni* for Iran are related to *Chrysis grohmanni bolivari*.

***Chrysis hafisi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Chrysis* (*Gonodontochrysis*) *hafisi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:159. Holotype ♀; Iran: Gilan, Tachinar, 16.v.1904, N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg) (*rufitarsis* group).

*Chrysis hafisi*: Rosa et al., 2013:21 (Gilan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Gilan).

***Chrysis heimi* Rosa, sp. nov. (Fig. 19A–F)**

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**Material examined.** Holotype ♀; IRAN, Hormozgan province: Zakin, 27.vi.2011, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis heimi* sp. nov. belongs to the *maculicornis* species group for the shape of the head

with round profile; with very short malar space; transverse frontal carina with long branches downwards directed along inner margin of compound eyes; proximal flagellomeres short; apical teeth of third metasomal tergum well defined. Its particular colour pattern, one of the most spectacular in this family, is shared with the females of *Chrysis blanchardi* Lucas, 1849, which is distributed from the Iberian Peninsula and Morocco to Egypt, where two varieties were described, var. *rubescens* du Buysson, 1895 and var. *abbreviaticornis* du Buysson, 1895. At the moment, all these taxa, including *Chrysis superba* Tournier, 1879 (likely originated from Morocco) and *C. fertoni* du Buysson, 1895 are all considered synonyms of *C. blanchardi* (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991). Compared to these forms, *Chrysis heimi* **sp. nov.** can be immediately recognised by the black spots on the second sternum, which are differently shaped, being large, subtrapezoidal and connected to lateral margins (Fig. 19F), whereas in taxa related to *C. blanchardi* they are very small and elongate, never connected to lateral margins. Moreover, it is diagnostic the combination of following characters: profile of the head sub-rectangular, with wider face ( $l/w = 0.7$ , ratio measured from margin of anterior ocellus to clypeus and the shortest distance between eyes) (*vs.* round profile with subsquare face,  $l/w = 0.6$  in *C. blanchardi*); transverse frontal carina shallow, M-like, with two sinuosities (Fig. 19B), medially curved downwards (*vs.* frontal carina sharp with three angles and three branches directed upwards in *C. blanchardi*, medially right angled upwards); apical metasomal margin with median teeth largely separate (*vs.* separated by narrow space in *C. blanchardi*); finally, body colour not exactly the same, as all vivid red parts in *C. blanchardi* are golden-greenish in *C. heimi* **sp. nov.**

**Description.** — **Holotype** ♀ (Fig. 19A–F). Body length 6.4 mm, anterior wing length 3.4 mm (Fig. 19A).

**Head.** Brow and ocellar area with dense and small punctures ( $0.2\text{--}0.3\times$  MOD), without interspaces on brow, more spaced on ocellar area medially; punctures on vertex slightly larger and sparser between ocelli and eye, with occasional dots on interspaces; head posteriorly and temples densely punctate to contiguous with small punctures in between punctures; fovea lateral to posterior ocelli deep, as long as ocellus itself (Fig. 19C); with scapal basin densely micropunctate at sides, each puncture bearing a short white seta, altogether covering facial sculpture (Fig. 19B); medial longitudinal line with  $1\times$  MOD width, without hairs, finely, transversally wrinkled; micropunctuation at sides continuing on supraclypeal area and malar spaces; clypeus with sparser, shallower punctures, not covered by setae, apically with triangular, brown rim; transverse frontal carina vaguely M-shaped (Fig. 19B); weak but still well visible on upper part and slightly contrasting with more vivid, golden colour; lateral ending going downwards at sides of scapal basin, but slightly visible; genal carina sharp, gently curved, fully developed from occiput to mandibular insertion; malar space short ( $0.4\times$  MOD), convergent; subantennal space short,  $0.6\times$  MOD; distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of frontal carina  $1.6\times$  MOD; OOL  $1.7\times$  MOD; POL  $2.3\times$  MOD; MS  $0.4\times$  MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.2:0.8:0.8.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow as shallow, slightly depressed area; pronotum with deep and dense punctures variable in size from small dots to  $0.4\times$  MOD; punctuation on mesoscutum deep and dense anteriorly, more spaced basally with slightly larger punctures ( $0.5\times$  MOD) separated by polished interspaces; notauli formed by deep, metallic, sub-rectangular foveae, smaller or as large as surrounding punctures, decreasing towards apical margin (Fig. 19C); parapsidal signum as deep line; even punctures on lateral area of mesoscutum; scutellum with punctuation similar to that of mesoscutum, with punctures becoming larger towards margins; metanotum antero-medially with deep and wide fovea, punctures larger than those on mesoscutum, with dotted interspaces; posterior propodeal projections triangular, slightly divergent; mesopleuron with deep sulci formed by large subsquare foveae, larger than punctures on the segment (Fig. 19D).

**Metasoma.** First tergum with deep and even punctures equally spaced becoming smaller and denser along margins, interspaces dotted; similar even and dotted punctuation on second tergum, with more small punctures, besides dots, on interspaces; longitudinal median carina distinct, continuing on third tergum (Fig. 19E); third tergum similarly sculptured as second; pits of pit row round, deep as large as two punctures together; post pit row area short, as long as pit of pit row; apical margin with four short



teeth equally spaced, interval as long as 3–4 pits of pit row; black spots on second sternum large, subtrapezoidal, connected to lateral margins (Fig. 19F).

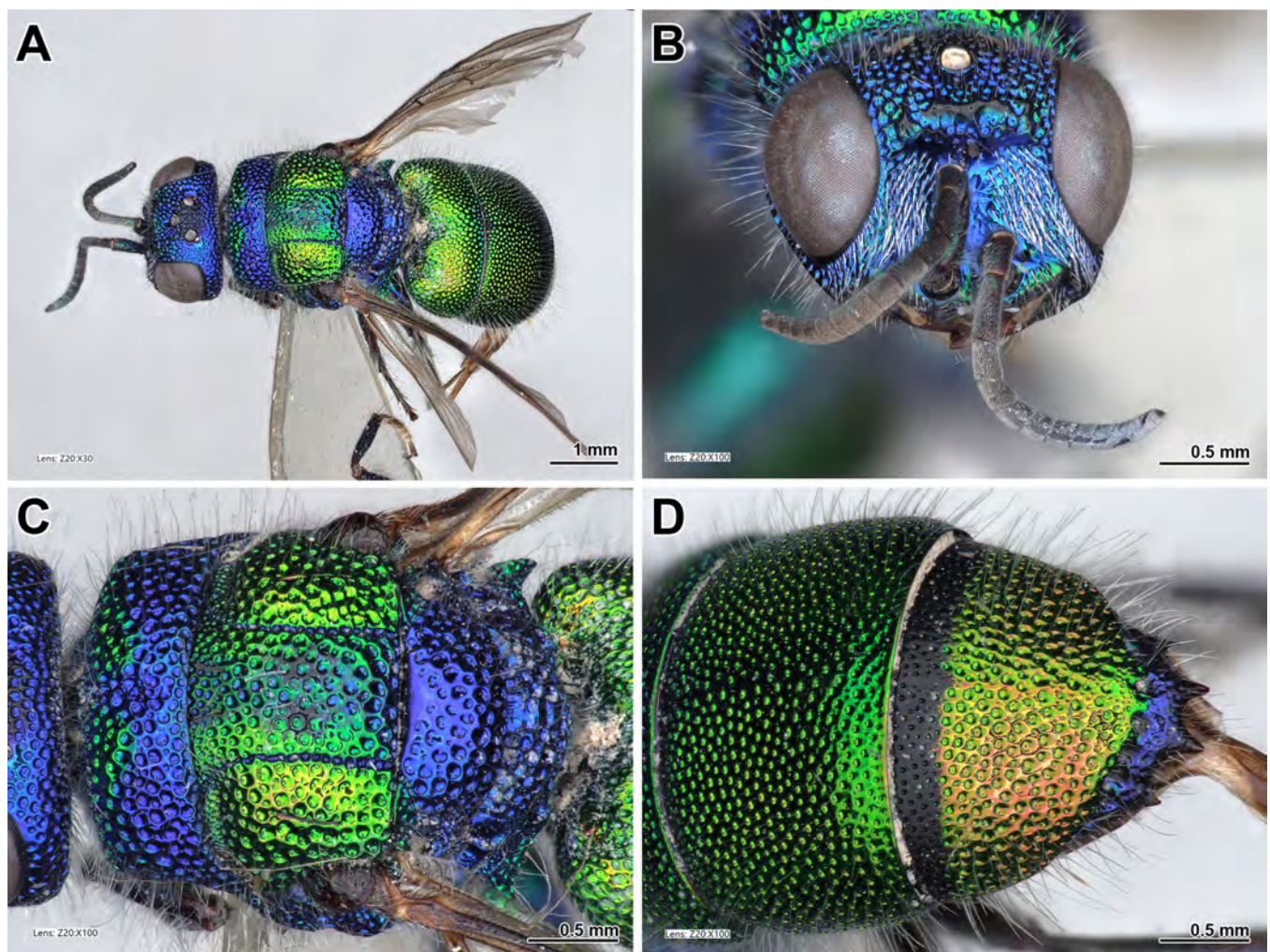
**Colouration.** Body multicoloured (Fig. 19A), predominantly golden-red (likely red in nature) with green and blue head (green on vertex laterally and face); blue median area of mesoscutum (medially with green reflections), tegulae blue; metanotum and propodeum greenish; metasoma golden-red, with apical margin blue; legs and sterna green; scape, pedicel green, the rest of flagellum brownish; wings hyaline, with light brown veins.

**Vestiture.** Body dorsally and laterally covered with short ( $1\times$  MOD) white setae, distinctly erect on mesoleg.

**Male.** Unknown.

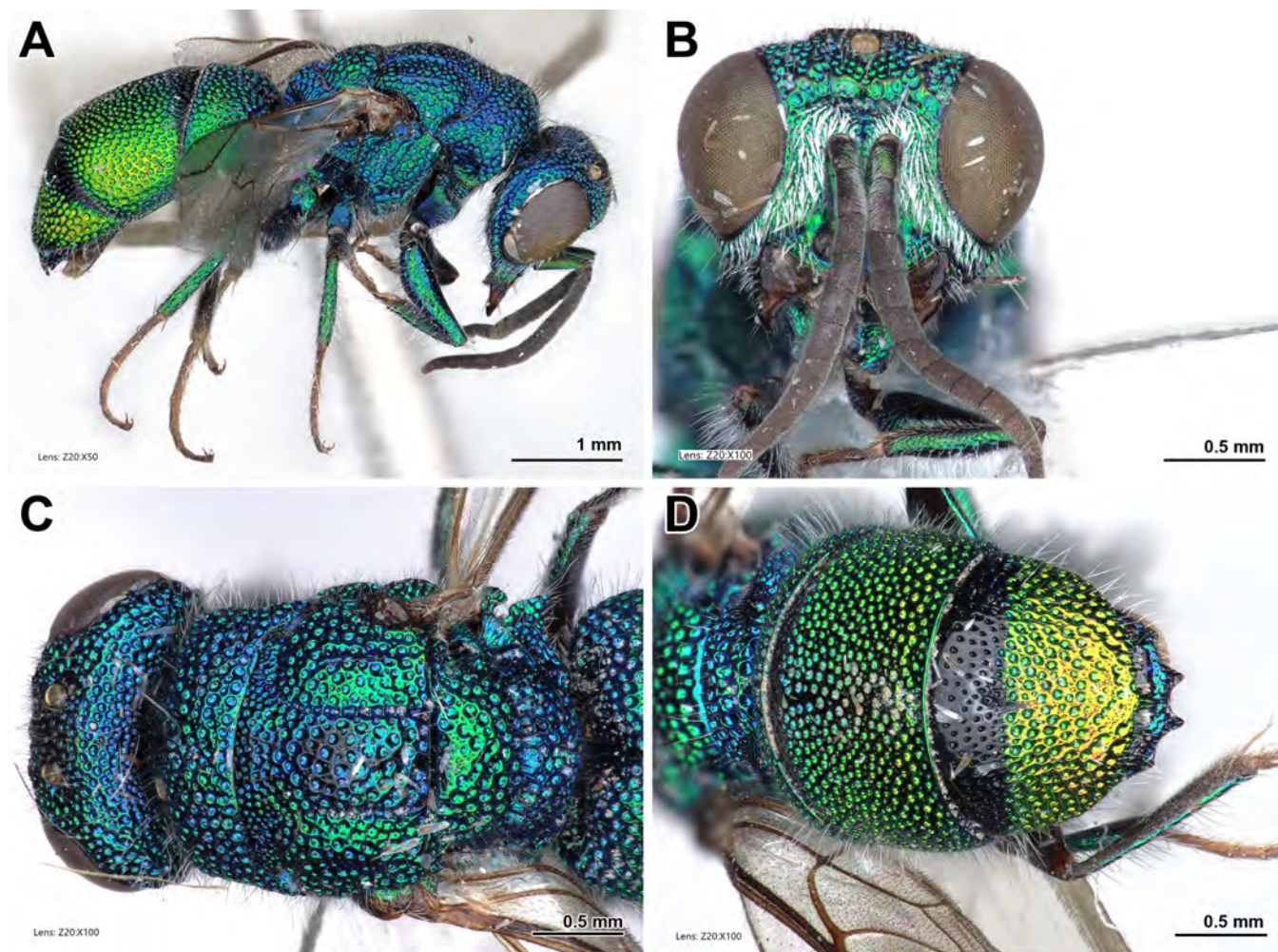
**Etymology.** The specific epithet *heimi* (masculine noun in genitive) is dedicated to René Heim (Luzern, Switzerland), for his generosity and unconditional help in the study of the Chrysididae collection of Walter Linsenmaier, friendly hosting PR in Luzern for twenty years of continuous research. The choice of this species is motivated by the colour pattern, similar to that of *Chrysis gertiana* Rosa, 2018, named after his wife Gerti, who prematurely passed away, and who also supported PR for several years.

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Hormozgan).



**Figure 17.** *Chrysis grohmanni bolivari* Mercet, 1902, female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, posterior view





**Figure 18.** *Chrysis grohmanni bolivari* Mercet, 1902, male. **A.** Habitus, lateral view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, posterior view.

### *Chrysis herzensteini* Semenow, 1892

*Chrysis* (*Hexachrysis*) *herzensteini* Semenow, 1892a:94. Holotype ♂; Persia borealis [possibly Alborz province] (St. Petersburg) (*rufitarsis* group).

*Chrysis herzensteini*: Rosa et al., 2013:21 (Persia, without locality).

**Distribution.** Iran (without locality).

### *Chrysis hydra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967

*Chrysis* (*Tetrachrysis*) *hydra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:164. Holotype ♂; Iran: South Khorasan, Khouz-Muzafyr, 20.iv.1896, N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg) (*subsinuata* group).

*Chrysis hydra*: Rosa et al., 2013:22 (South Khorasan).

**Distribution.** Iran (South Khorasan).

### *Chrysis ignita* (Linnaeus, 1758) s.l.

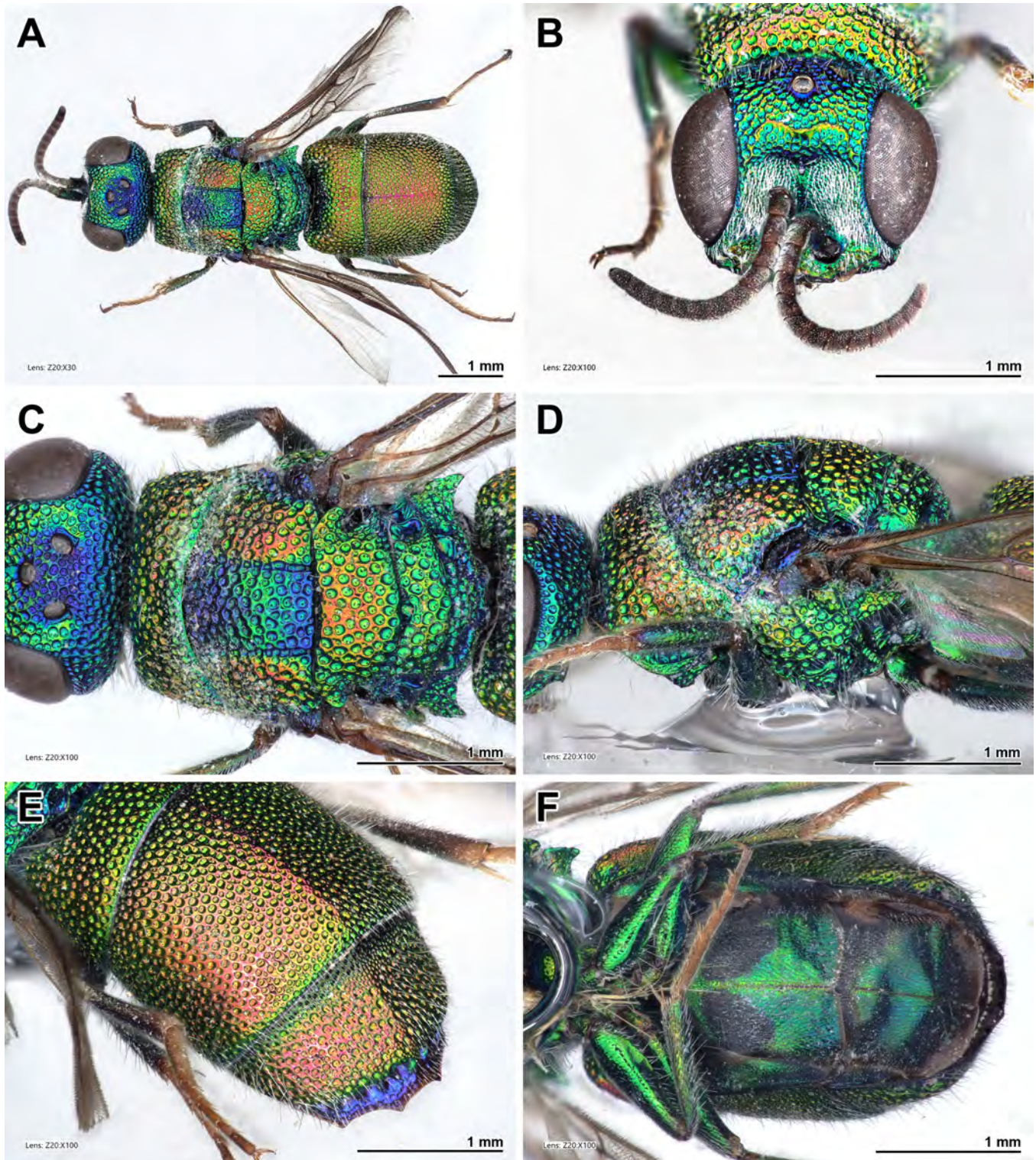
*Sphex ignita* Linnaeus, 1758:571. Lectotype ♀ designated by Richards, 1935; Europe (London - Linnean Society) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis ignita*: Rosa et al., 2013:22 (Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan). Widespread in the Palearctic Region.

**Remarks.** Old records of *Chrysis ignita* (like in Radoszkowsky, 1877) should be treated as *sensu lato*, because under the name *Chrysis ignita* we currently identify different, separate species.





**Figure 19.** *Chrysis heimi* Rosa, *sp. nov.*, female, holotype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Head and mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Chrysis imperatrix* du Buysson, 1887**

*Chrysis imperatrix* du Buysson, 1887:190. Holotype ♂; Russia (Paris) (*comparata* group).

*Chrysis imperatrix*: Rosa et al., 2013:22 (Persia).

**Distribution.** Iran. Central Asia (Linsenmaier, 1968).



***Chrysis impressa* Schenck, 1856**

*Chrysis impressa* Schenck, 1856:29. Lectotype ♀ designated by Morgan, 1984:9; Germany (Frankfurt) (*ignita* group).  
*Chrysis impressa*: Rosa et al., 2013:22 (Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan). Europe (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

***Chrysis indigotea* Dufour & Perris, 1840**

*Chrysis indigotea* Dufour & Perris, 1840:38. Holotype ♂; France (Paris) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis indigotea*: Rosa et al., 2013:22 (Golestan); Ebrahimi, 2015:28 (Ardabil)

**Distribution.** Iran (Ardabil, Golestan). Southern and Central Europe; Central Asia: Kyrgyzstan; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysis infantula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Chrysis infantula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:155. Holotype ♀; Turkmenistan: Imam-Baba (St. Petersburg) (*leachii* group).

*Chrysis infantula*: Rosa et al., 2013:23 (Esfahan). Farhad et al., 2015b:38 (Hormozgan).

*Chrysis nilensis* Linsenmaier, 1959a:Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars).

*Chrysis nilensis*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2021:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Esfahan, Fars, Hormozgan). Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis infantula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij and *Chrysis nilensis* Linsenmaier, 1959 (replacement name for *Chrysis leachii* var. *cyanea* du Buysson, 1908a:49, *nom. praeocc.*, *nec* Villers 1789) are almost identical and possibly synonyms. We examined both female types in Paris and St. Petersburg and the main difference is found in the shape of the apical margin of metasomal third tergum. In *Chrysis infantula* the post pit-row area is longer and slightly concave in lateral view, whereas in *Chrysis nilensis* it is shorter and straight in lateral view. The first record examined for Iran (Rosa et al., 2013) was based on a male specimen. Examination of more material is needed to confirm the occurrence of *Chrysis infantula* or *Chrysis nilensis* in the country. In any case, the taxon observed in Southern Iran and identified as *infantula* by Rosa et al. (2013) and *nilensis* by Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh (2015) could belong to the same species.

***Chrysis interjecta hemichlora* Linsenmaier, 1951**

*Chrysis interjecta* var. *hemichlora* Linsenmaier, 1951:66. Syntypes ♂, ♀; Greece: Rhodes (NML) (*aestiva* group).

*Chrysis interjecta* var. *hemichlora*: Rosa et al., 2013:23 (Qazvin); Rosa, 2020:466 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran, Qazvin). Cyprus, Iraq, Palestine, Rhodes, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968, 1997).

***Chrysis keriensis* Radoszkowski, 1887**

*Chrysis* (*Tetrachrysis*) *keriensis* Radoszkowski, 1887:47. Holotype ♂ [not ♀]; China: Xinjiang, Keria-Daria (Kraków) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis chrysochlora* Mocsáry, 1889:515. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991; Uzbekistan: Tashkent (Budapest).

*Chrysis chrysochlora*: Rosa et al., 2013:17 (East-Azarbaijan, Tehran).

*Chrysis quadrispina* du Buysson, 1887:187, Iranmanesh et al., 2017:300 (Kerman), 301 (figs 3C, D).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Kerman, Tehran). Lebanon, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968); Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, China (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis chrysochlora* Mocsáry was synonymised with *Chrysis keriensis* Radoszkowski by Rosa et al., 2015d:20. Iranmanesh et al. (2017) recorded *Chrysis quadrispina* for Iran, but pictures given in the article are related to a female of *Chrysis keriensis*.

***Chrysis klio* Balthasar, 1953 (Fig. 20A–F)**

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) klio* Balthasar, 1953:257. Holotype ♂; Palestine: Jerusalem [not holotype ♀ from Afghanistan, Schau, Kokscha-Tal, Badakschar Mts.] (Prague) (*varidens* group).

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) klio* Balthasar, 1953 = *Chrysis varidens* Abeille de Perrin, 1878:6; Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:474.  
*Chrysis klio*: Boustani & Rosa, 2022:16. Reinstated.

**Material examined.** 1♀, Qazvin, Zereshk, 36°25'23"N, 50°06'37"E, 27.vii.2011, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Qazvin). Caucasus (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** The species photograph (Fig. 20) shows a green and blue colour pattern instead of red and blue of the type and other specimens recently collected in nature (Boustani & Rosa, 2022). This green colouration is considered to be given by an alteration of the cuticle due to the collecting method in the Malaise trap and the preservation in ethanol.

***Chrysis komarowi* Radoszkowski, 1891**

*Chrysis komarowi* Radoszkowski, 1891:190. Holotype ♀; Turkmenistan: Ashkabad (Krakow) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis komarowi*: Rosa et al., 2013:24 (Bushehr); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Bushehr; Kerman). Turkmenistan, Pakistan (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysis laetula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954**

*Chrysis (Allochrysis) laetula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954:124. Holotype ♂, Tajikistan: Dzhili-kul, (St. Petersburg).

*Allochrysis laetula*: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:288.

*Chrysis laetula*: Rosa, 2018c:277 (*ear* group).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Golestan province: 70 km E Minudasht, 37°15'36"N, 55°59'24"E, 1050m, 12.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC); 1♂, Golestan province: 70 km E of Minudasht, 37°15'36"N, 55°59'24"E, 1050m, 11.vi.2010, leg. P. Tyrner (MHC)

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Golestan). Turkmenistan, Tajikistan (Rosa, 2018c).

***Chrysis leachii* Shuckard, 1836**

*Chrysis leachii* Shuckard, 1836:168. Type unknown, locality unknown [not England] (lost ?) (*leachii* group).

*Chrysis leachii*: Rosa et al., 2013:24 (East-Azarbaijan); Falahatpisheh et al., 2021:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Fars). West Palaearctic, from Europe and Northern Africa to the Middle East (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysis lepida* Mocsáry, 1889**

*Chrysis (Olochrysis) lepida* Mocsáry, 1889:278. Syntypes ♀♀; Armenia: Yerevan (Kraków, Budapest) (*elegans* group).

*Chrysis (Holoachrysis) horatiana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:153. Holotype ♀; Azerbaijan [not Armenia]: Ordubad (St. Petersburg).

*Chrysis lepida*: Rosa et al., 2013:24 (Qazvin).

**Material examined.** 1♂, 1♀, Fars, Sedeh, 30°44'08"N, 52°09'09"E, 24.v.2014, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Qazvin). Azerbaijan, Türkiye (Strumia & Yildirim, 2009).

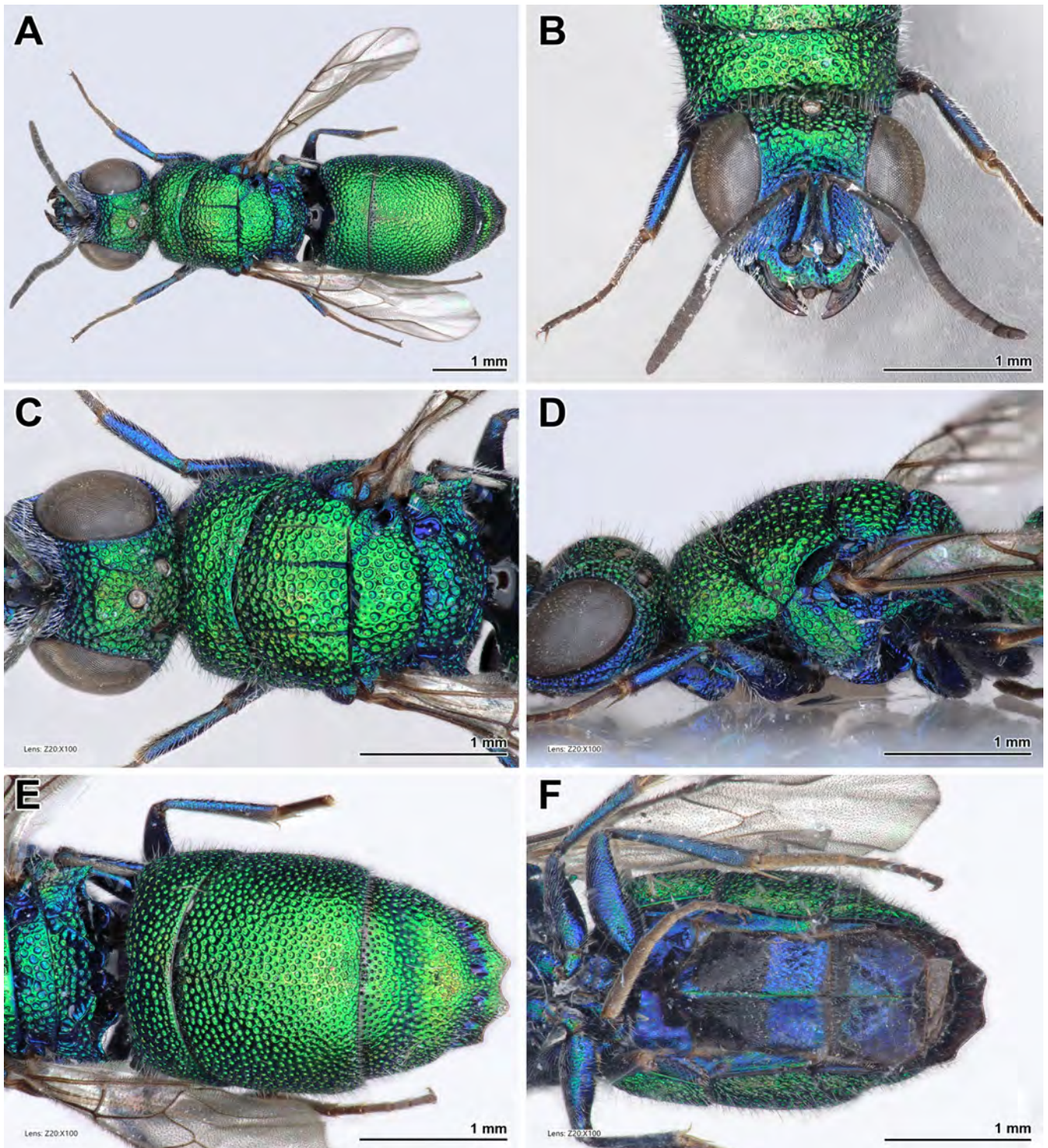
***Chrysis leuconoe* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Chrysis leuconoe* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:176 Holotype ♂; Turkmenistan: Pereval (St. Petersburg) (*comparata* group).

**Material examined.** 2♂♂, 10♀♀, Kerman province: 25 km E Jiroft, 28°42'N, 57°57'E, 27.v.2014, leg. J. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Kerman). Turkmenistan (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).





**Figure 20.** *Chrysis klio* Balthasar, 1953, female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

### *Chrysis maculicornis* Klug, 1845

*Chrysis maculicornis* Klug, 1845: tav. 45. fig. 6. Holotype ♂; Egypt: Alexandria (Berlin).

*Chrysis maculicornis*: Rosa et al., 2013:24 (Khuzestan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:21 (Fars); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kerman, Khuzestan). Palestine, Türkiye, Saudi Arabia; Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1994); Central Asia: Tadjikistan (Radoszkowski, 1891).

***Chrysis maidaquensis* Strumia, 2014 (Fig. 21A–F)**

*Chrysis maidaquensis* Strumia, 2014:488. Holotype ♀; United Arab Emirates: Wadi Madaq, 07–14.iii.2006, leg. A. van Harten (Strumia private coll.) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis maidaquensis*: Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2015a:97 (Hormozgan).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Hormozgan, Rahbari, 27°27'02"N, 57°08'84"E, vi.2011, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan). United Arab Emirates (Strumia, 2014).

***Chrysis majidi* Strumia, 2015**

*Chrysis majidi* Strumia in Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:5. Holotype ♂; Iran: Kerman, 2300 m, 29°03'39"N, 57°53'24"E, 23.v.2011, leg. D. Gianasso (paratype from Lorestan) (Strumia private coll.) (*millenaris* group).

*Chrysis majidi*: Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars).

*Chrysis majidi*: Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman); *Chrysis laeta*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2021:31 (Fars).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Fars, Goldamcheh, 28°39'31"N, 58°32'17"E, 16.vii.2013, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kerman, Lorestan). Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates (Rosa et al., 2020a).

***Chrysis mandibularis* du Buysson, 1901**

*Chrysis mandibularis* du Buysson, 1901:101. Holotype ♀; Kenya [not Tanzania]: Waboniland (Vienna) (*delicatula* group).

*Chrysis mandibularis*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:21 (Lorestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Lorestan). Afrotropical (Madl & Rosa, 2012).

***Chrysis manicata* Dahlbom, 1854**

*Chrysis manicata* Dahlbom, 1854:276. Syntypes ♂♂; Greece: Rhodes Is. (Stockholm, Berlin) (*pallidicornis* group).

*Chrysis manicata*: Rosa et al., 2013:25 (Qazvin).

**Distribution.** Iran (Qazvin). Cyprus, Greece, former Yugoslavia, Palestine, Russia, Türkiye, Uzbekistan; Northern Africa; Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan: Tian-Shan (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysis maracandensis* Radoszkowski, 1877 (Fig. 22A–F)**

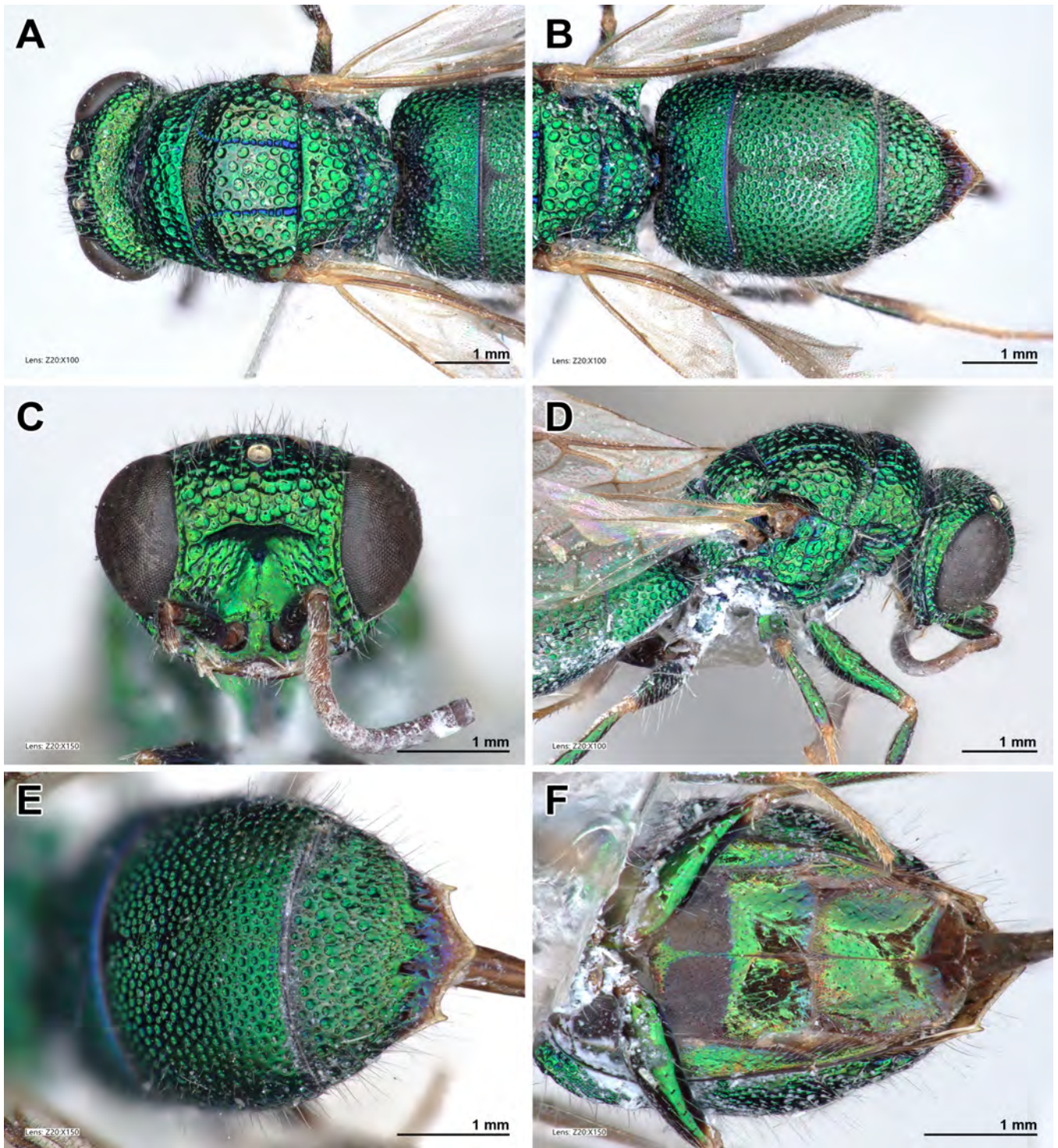
*Chrysis maracandensis* Radoszkowski, 1877:14. Lectotype ♂ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:436; Uzbekistan: Zarafshan (Moscow) (*scutellaris* group).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Hormozgan, Ramkan, 26°52'25"N, 56°01'07"E, 18.vi.2012, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC); 1♂, idem, 28.v.2012 (TMUC); 1♂, idem, 14.vi.2012 (TMUC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Hormozgan). Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (Radoszkowski, 1889; Mocsáry, 1889; du Buysson, 1895; Kimsey & Bohart, 1991; Tarbinsky 2002c).

**Remarks.** All examined specimens of *Chrysis maracandensis* from Iran to Central Asia in several collections are males. Based on museum specimens and collecting localities, females of *Chrysis maracandensis* should be similar to *Chrysis consobrina* and to other species of the *scutellaris* group, yet any association was proposed before, and never observed in nature. Sex associations in this subgroup are still unclear and females of different species cannot be yet associated to the corresponding males. The specimens of *Chrysis maracandensis* (Fig. 22) from Iran are slightly different from the typical Central Asian form for the well-defined apical teeth of the third tergum, contrasting with the typical form with the two median teeth normally undulate. In this sense, the Iranian specimens of *C. maracandensis* could also be the so far unknown males of *Chrysis subdistincta* (see below). New taxonomic research should be addressed on this species-group, also with the help of molecular analysis, which can probably better associate the two sexes, otherwise difficult to observe in copula, for example, in nature.





**Figure 21.** *Chrysis maidaquensis* Strumia, 2014, female. **A.** Mesosoma and first tergum, dorsal view; **B.** Scutellum, metanotum, propodeum and metasoma, dorsal view; **C.** Head, frontal view; **D.** Mesosoma and terga 1, 2, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, posterior view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Chrysis marani* Balthasar, 1953**

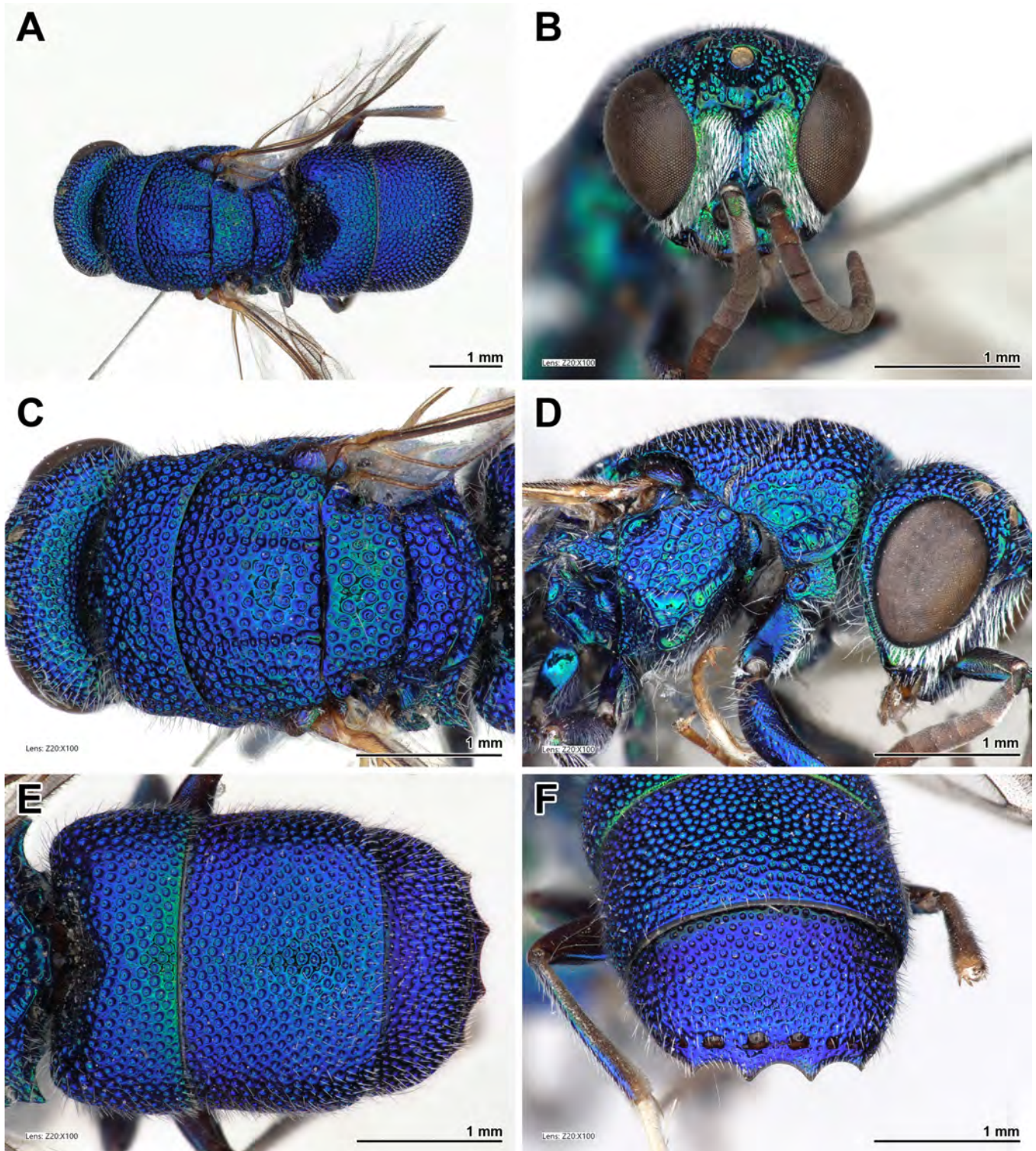
*Chrysis marani* Balthasar, 1953:217. Holotype ♀; Palestine: Jerusalem (Prague) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis centropunctata* Linsenmaier, 1968:66. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Kayseri (Luzern).

*Chrysis marani*: Rosa et al., 2013:25 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palestine, Türkiye, and Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968, 1987, including distribution of subspecies).





**Figure 22.** *Chrysis maracandensis* Radoszkowski, 1877, male. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **F.** Metasoma, posterior view.

***Chrysis marginata marginata* Mocsáry, 1889**

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) marginata* Mocsáry, 1889:451. Holotype ♀; Turkestan (Kraków) (*comparata* group).

*Chrysis marginata*: Rosa et al., 2013:25 (East-Azarbaijan, Kerman); Farhad et al., 2015b:38 (Hormozgan); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman).



**Material examined.** 1♂, Qazvin, Tarem, 36°40'09"N, 49°25'37"E, 07.vi.2011, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC); 1♂, Alborz, Karaj, 35°46'20"N, 50°56'44"E, 1.vi.2010, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC); 1♀, Tehran, Shahriar, 35°40'03"N, 50°56'52"E, 24.viii.2010, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC); 1♀, Hormozgan, Zakin, 4.vi.2012, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Hormozgan, Kerman, Qazvin, Tehran). South-eastern Europe, Cyprus, Greece, Palestine, Türkiye, Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis martinella* du Buysson, 1900

*Chrysis martinella* du Buysson, 1900:142. Holotype ♀; Iran: Tehran (Paris) (*aestiva* group).

*Chrysis martinella*: Rosa et al., 2013:25 (Tehran). Farhad et al., 2015b:39 (Hormozgan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan, Tehran). Greece, Lebanon, Palestine, and Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis mediasignata* Rosa, sp. nov. (Figs 23A–G, 24A–F)

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**Material examined. Holotype** ♂; IRAN, Qazvin province: Zereschk, 36°25'23"N, 50°06'37"E, 6.vii.2011, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC). **Paratype** ♀, same locality, 27.vii.2011, leg. M. Khayrandish (PRC).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis mediasignata* sp. nov. belongs to the *leachii* group which includes very small to small species (2.5–5.0 mm) with apical margin of the third metasomal tergum edentate or with a single median tooth; scapal basin broadly microridged in both sexes, whereas in the similar *C. succincta* group the female scapal basin is completely smooth; malar space short and convergent; faint transverse frontal carina; black spots on second metasomal sternum covering half-length or a larger part of the sternum. The male of *Chrysis mediasignata* sp. nov. can be immediately separated from other males of this group by unique shape of genital capsule, which is piriform, with apexes of gonocoxae convergent to aedeagus (Fig. 23F) and with simple and slender gonostylus, unusually not apically bifurcate (Fig. 23G). The female of *Chrysis mediasignata* sp. nov. can be separated from other similar females of this group by a green, median stripe on scutellum, becoming larger basally, contrasting the typical colouration of *Chrysis leachii* Shuckard, 1836. Colour pattern is an important diagnostic character for the identification of species in the *leachii* group as well as in the *succincta* group (Linsenmaier, 1959a, Rosa & Makris, 2023).

**Description.** — **Holotype** ♂ (Fig. 23A–G). Body length 3.7 mm, anterior wing length 1.9 mm (Fig. 23A).

**Head.** Brow between scapal basin and anterior ocellus with dense, irregular and somewhere confluent punctures, medium to large (about 0.4–0.7× MOD), without interspaces (Fig. 23B); similar sculpture between scapal basin and eye, with row of punctures aligned along eye, reaching clypeus and malar space; scapal basin deep, with sharp transverse ridges, shallower on longitudinal midline and medially weak on lower scapal basin; medial longitudinal line deep, starting from median pit and ending 1× MOD to clypeus; vertex and head posterior to ocelli with smaller round punctures and narrow, polished interspaces; with small, deep fovea posterior to posterior ocelli; transverse frontal carina faint; genal carina sharp, straight, fully developed from mid-eye to mandibular insertion; subantennal space short, 0.5× MOD; apex of clypeus arcuate upwards with dark brown rim. Clypeus medially polished; with row of small punctures apically, before apical rim. Distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of scapal basin 2.1× MOD. OOL 1.3× MOD; POL 2.1× MOD; MS 1.3× MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.3:0.7:0.6.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow shallow and reaching half of pronotal length (Fig. 23C); pronotum as long as mesoscutellum, with deep punctures, irregularly sized from very small to medium size (0.1–0.5× MOD); punctation on mesoscutum deep, both on median and lateral areas (Fig. 23C); postero-medially with larger, irregular punctures; notauli formed by small, deep, metallic, sub-rectangular foveae, as large as half size of larger points on mesoscutum, decreasing anteriorly; parapsidal signum distinct; mesoscutellum with punctures similar to mesoscutum; scutellar-metanotal suture deep,

formed by large foveae; posterior propodeal projection subparallel, punctate similarly as side of propodeum, pointing backwards; mesopleuron with episternal sulcus aligned foveae, as large as punctures on mesepimeron (Fig. 23D).

*Metasoma*. Metasoma with even, medium sized punctures, with narrow, polished interspaces dorsally, becoming wider at sides, with interspaces up to 1 puncture diameter; second tergum with weak longitudinal median carina (Fig. 23D); apical margin of third tergum almost continuous, weakly angulate medially and with narrow, yet distinct, hyaline rim (Fig. 23E); black spots on second sternum elongate, as long as three-quarters of segment length, medially widely separate.

*Colouration*. Male blue with green hints on vertex, and green on anterior margin of pronotum, mesonotum, second and third tergum, excluding blue apical margin of third tergum after pit row (Fig. 23A). The green parts could be more golden to red when the specimen is alive. Overall, the colouration is similar to that of *Chrysis lanceolata* male, which is a species expected for Iran, considering its wide distribution.

**Female** (Paratype). Body length 3.9 mm, anterior wing length 2.4 mm (Fig. 24A).

*Head*. Similar to male; differences in measures can be sexual dimorphism. Distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of scapal basin  $2.5\times$  MOD. OOL  $1.6\times$  MOD; POL  $2.5\times$  MOD; MS  $1.3$  MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.3:0.6:0.6.

*Mesosoma*. Similar to male. Medial pronotal furrow shallow and reaching half of pronotal length, in correspondence of posterior margin of golden area (Fig. 24C); mesoscutellum with small punctures on antero-median triangular area; scutellar-metanotal suture deep, formed by large punctures; mesopleuron with episternal sulcus formed by small foveae.

*Metasoma*. Metasoma with even, medium sized punctures, smaller than those on male metasoma, with narrow, polished interspaces (Fig. 24D); apical margin of third tergum with weak median indentation (Fig. 24E); black spots on second sternum subrectangular, as long as two-thirds of segment length, medially fused (Fig. 24F).

*Coloration*. Female has a basic colour pattern of *Chrysis leachii* female (Fig. 24A) with two main deviations: scutellum with contrasting green median line (fully golden in *C. leachii*) and first metasomal tergum with anterior golden area interrupted medially by blue colour (Fig. 24D) (continuous in *C. leachii*). Scapus and pedicel metallic green in both sexes, first flagellomere metallic green in male; other flagellomeres blackish.

*Vestiture*. Both sexes with head and mesosoma dorsally with relatively long, dense greyish to whitish setae as long as  $1\times$  MOD to  $1.5\times$  MOD; legs with short ( $1\times$  MOD), erect, whitish setae; metasoma dorsally with short ( $1\times$  MOD) whitish setae, laterally erect, longer, as long as  $1.5\times$  MOD.

**Etymology**. The specific epithet *media* derives from the Latin adjective *medius* (middle) and the Latin adjective *signatus* (spotty) and refers to the scutellar colour pattern of female, golden-red with a green median stripe becoming larger at base.

**Distribution**. \*Iran (Qazvin).

### *Chrysis mesasiatica* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912

*Chrysis rutilans* var. *asiatica* Mocsáry, 1889:448, *nom. praeocc.*, NEC RADOSZKOWSKI, 1889. Syntypes ♀♀; Turkmenistan: Ashkabad (depository unknown) (*splendidula* group).

*Chrysis rutilans* var. *mesasiatica* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912:194. Replacement name for *C. asiatica* MOCSÁRY, 1889, NEC RADOSZKOWSKI, 1889.

*Chrysis rutilans* var. *asiatica* MOCSÁRY, 1889 = *Chrysis decora* Radoszkowski, 1877: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:402.

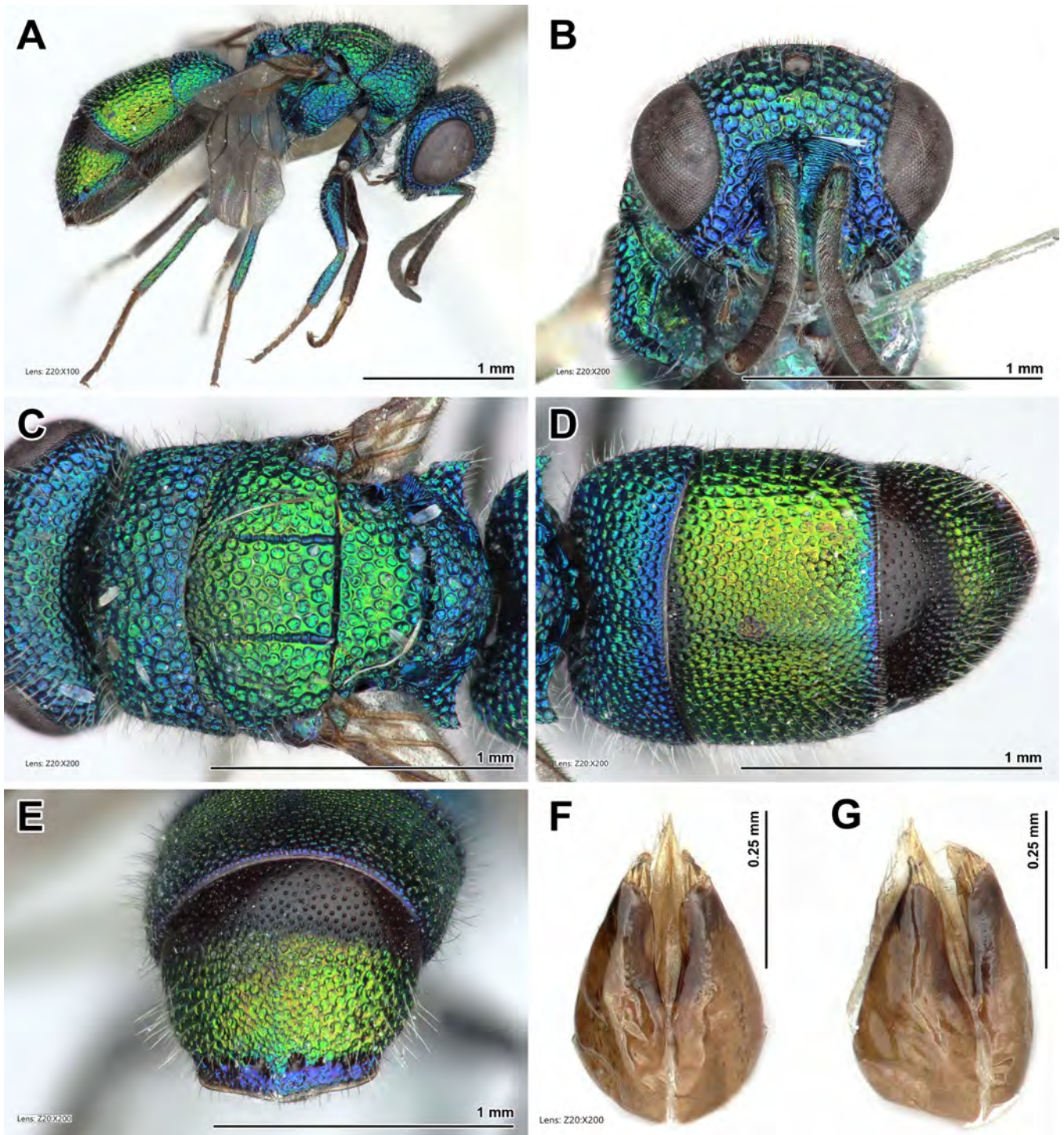
*Chrysis decora* Mocsáry, 1887; Rosa et al., 2013:19 (Tehran); Ebrahimi, 2015:26 (Markazi).

*Chrysis mesasiatica*: Rosa, 2018a:2. Reinstated and upgraded to species rank.

**Distribution**. Iran (Markazi, Tehran). Caucasus, Palestine, Türkiye; Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks**. *Chrysis mesasiatica* Semenov was reinstated and upgraded to species rank by Rosa (2018a).





**Figure 23.** *Chrysis mediasignata* Rosa, **sp. nov.**, male, holotype. **A.** Habitus, lateral view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **E.** Metasoma, posterior view; **F-G.** Genital capsule.

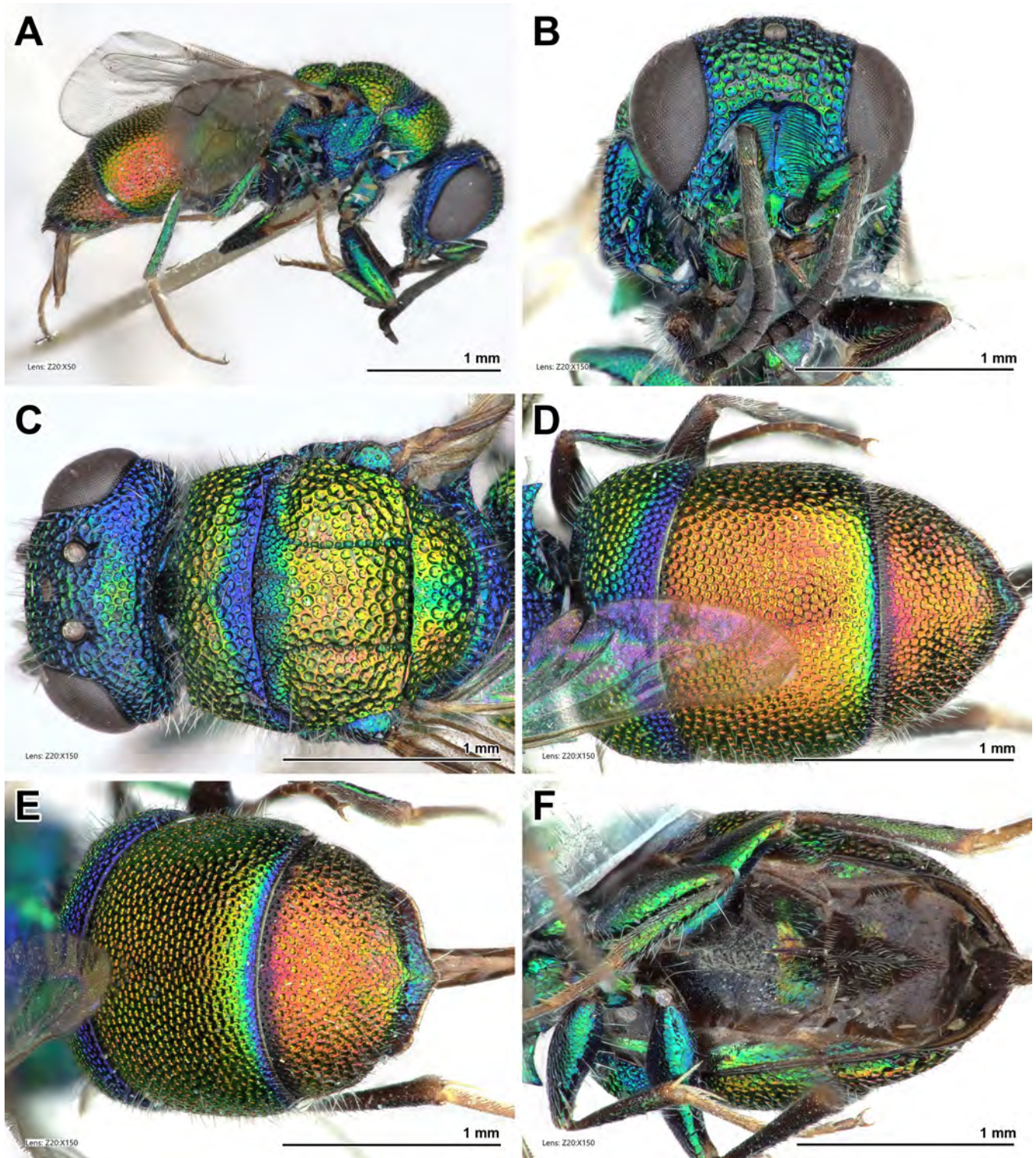
***Chrysis millenaris* Mocsáry, 1897**

*Chrysis millenaris* Mocsáry, 1897:645. Lectotype ♀ designated by Móczár 1965:166; Hungary: Budapest (Budapest) (*millenaris* group).

*Chrysis millenaris*: Rosa et al., 2013:25 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kerman). Central and South-eastern Europe (Linsenmaier, 1959a), Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1968).





**Figure 24.** *Chrysis mediasignata* Rosa, *sp. nov.*, female, paratype. **A.** Habitus, lateral view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **E.** Metasoma, posterior view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Chrysis minutissima* Radoszkowski, 1876**

*Chrysis minutissima* Radoszkowski, 1876:147. Holotype ♀; Egypt (Krakow) (*succincta* group).  
*Chrysis minutissima*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:21 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:498 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Northern Africa, Middle East (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).



***Chrysis mirabilis* Radoszkowsky, 1877**

*Chrysis mirabilis* Radoszkowsky, 1877:106. Syntypes ♂♂ [not holotype]; Caucasus (Berlin, Kraków) (*facialis* group).

**Material examined.** 1♂, 1♀, Kohgiluyeh and Buyer Ahmad, Sisaht env., 2400m, Dena Nat. Reserve, 30°52'46"N, 51°25'12"E, 14–16.v.2013, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC); 1♀, Lorestan province: 10km SW of Dorud, 1520m, 27.v.2014, leg. J. Halada (MHC); 1♀, Gilan province: 5 km E Rudbar, 400m, 8.vi.2014, leg. J. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Gilan, Lorestan, Kohgiluyeh and Buyer Ahmad). Caucasus (Radoszkowsky, 1877), Crimea (Rosa et al., 2017b).

***Chrysis mirifica* Balthasar, 1953**

*Chrysis mirifica* Balthasar, 1953:264. Holotype ♂; Palestine: Wadi el Kelt (Prague) (*exsecata* group).

*Chrysis dawahi* Strumia in Strumia & Dawah, 2012:174 (Saudi Arabia); Falahatpisheh et al., 2020:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palestine (Balthasar, 1953), Saudi Arabia (Strumia & Dawah, 2012), United Arab Emirates (Strumia, 2014).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis dawahi* Strumia (listed by Falahatpisheh et al., 2020 for Iran) was synonymised with *C. mirifica* Balthasar by Rosa et al. (2020a). However, this action was unnecessary because in the original description of *C. dawahi*, the name and location of the collection housing the holotype were omitted, thereby not complying with Article 16.4.2 of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (ICZN, 1999). Consequently, *Chrysis dawahi* is not correctly described and must be considered as unavailable and *nomen nudum*.

***Chrysis mossulensis* Abeille de Perrin & du Buysson, 1887 (Figs 25A–E, H)**

*Chrysis erratica mossulensis* Abeille de Perrin & du Buysson [in du Buysson], 1887:190. Syntypes ♀; Iraq: Mosul (Paris).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Khorasan-e Razavi province: 33 km W of Sabzvaran [=Sabzevar], 1100m, 6–7.v.1973, locality n°189, Exp. Nat. Mus. Praha (NHMP).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi). Iraq (Rosa, 2024).

**Remarks.** The specimen examined is a male and its identification is doubtful. As recently shown by Rosa (2024), the *fuscipennis* group (ex *angolensis* group) includes several species whose distinction is based on the shape of the genital capsule, the transverse frontal carina, the body punctation and the shape of the lower mesopleuron. The Iranian specimen does not match the African specimen of *C. callaina* Gribodo, 1884 for the different shape of the head (Fig. 25A), which is similar to *C. fuscipennis*, and the genital capsule (Fig. 25E), which is more elongate with acute inner angles of gonocoxae. It does not match the Oriental *C. erratica* Abeille de Perrin & du Buysson, 1887 for the shape of the transverse frontal carina curved and the genital capsule elongate and it does not match *C. fuscipennis* s.str. for the dense, coarse punctures. The only possibility is that this is the unknown male of *C. mossulensis*, which is separated from the female by the downcurved frontal carina, and pointed teeth of the lower mesopleuron. More material of both sexes is needed for a correct identification and sex association.

***Chrysis musa* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954 (Figs 26A–E, 27A–F)**

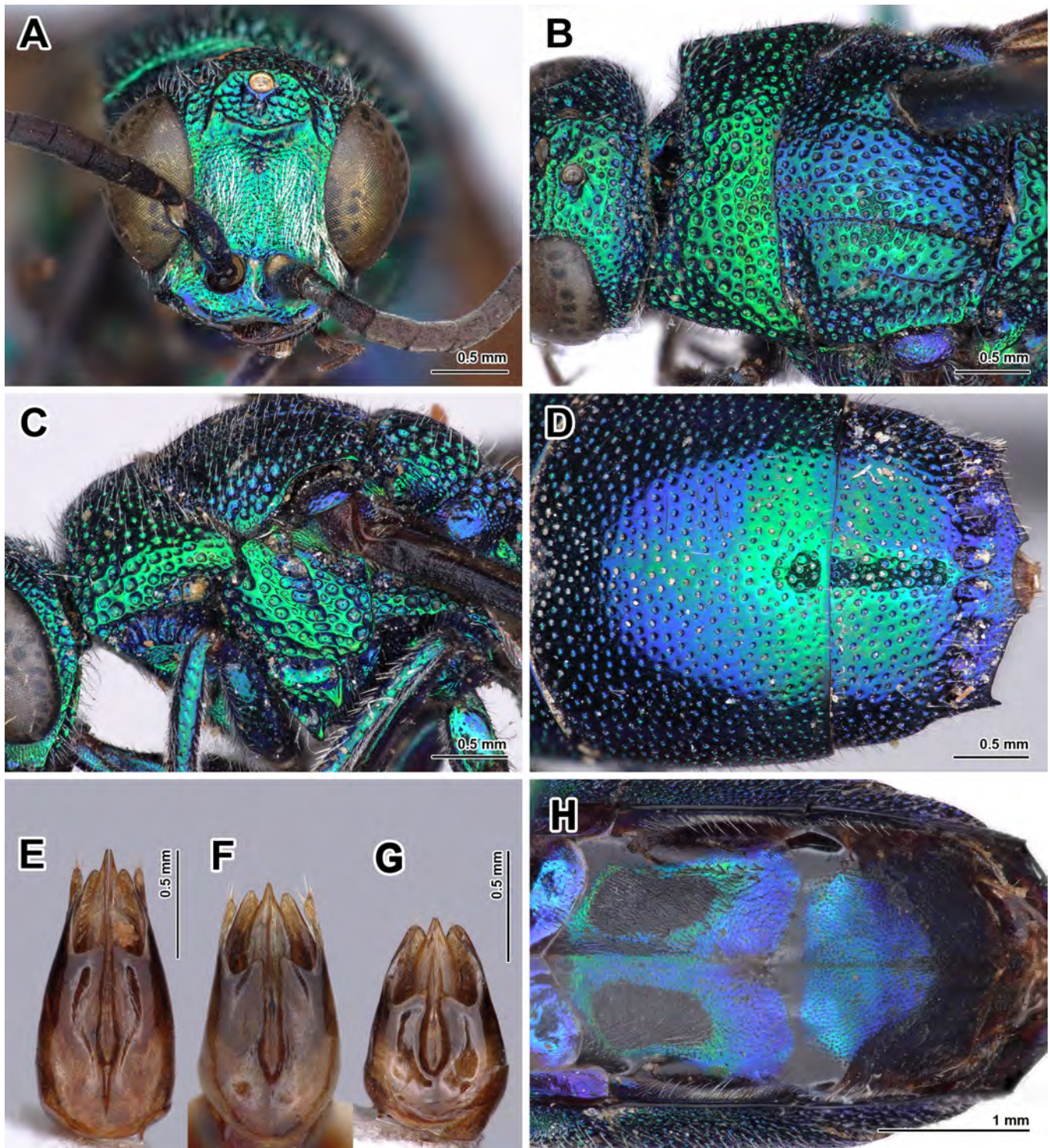
*Chrysis* (*Hexachrysis*) *musa* Semenov in Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954:133. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:441; Iran: Megas [possibly Magas Khani in Gilan province] (*smaragdula* group).

*Chrysis musa*: Rosa et al., 2013:25 (Iran).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Hormozgan, Ramkan, 26°52'25"N, 56°01'07"E, 14.v.2012, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC); 1♀, idem, 24.iv.2012; 1♂, Zakin, 3.viii.2012, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan, Gilan). Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954).



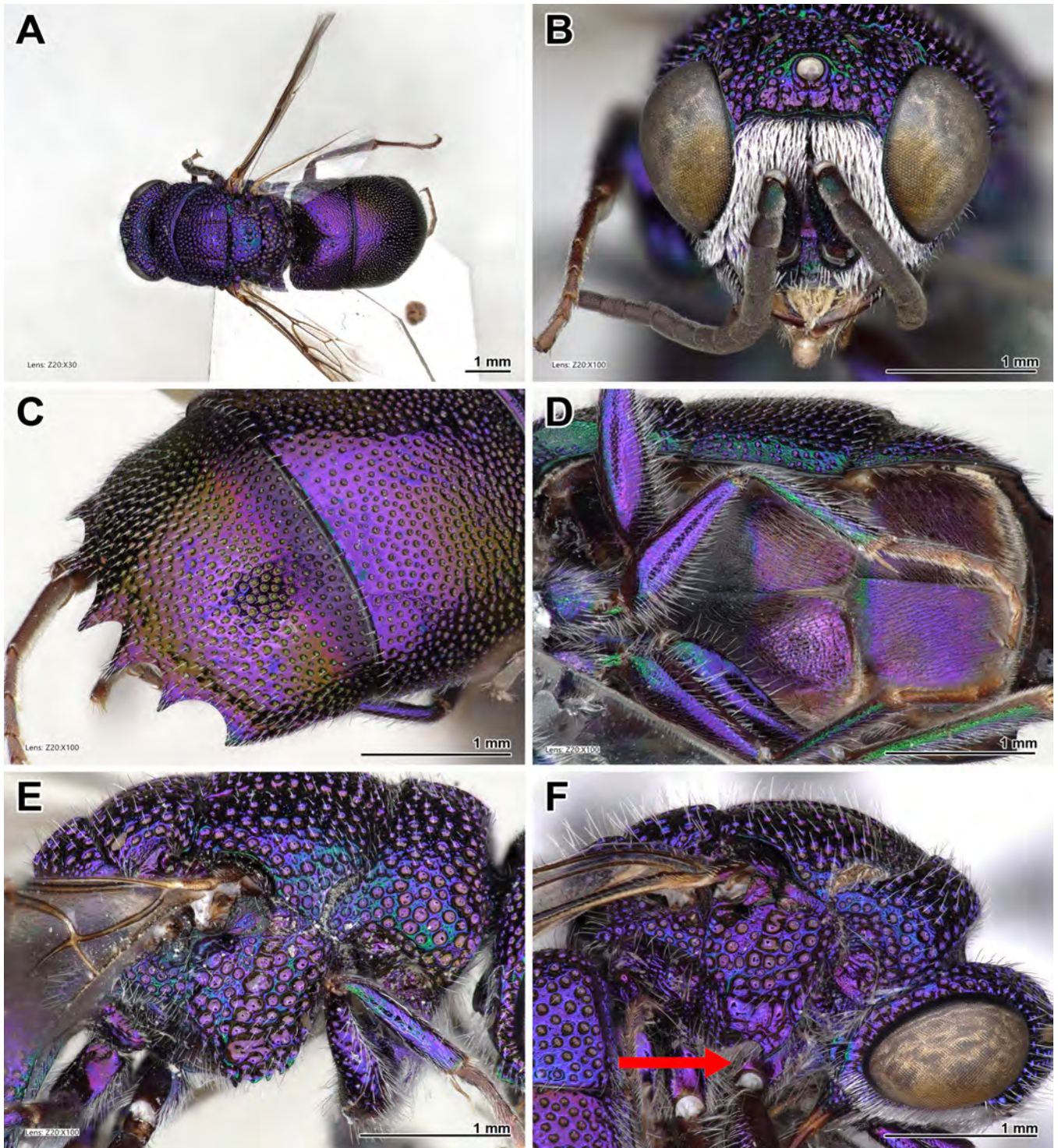


**Figure 25.** *Chrysis mossulensis* Abeille de Perrin & du Buysson, 1887, male. **A.** Head, frontal view; **B.** Pronotum and mesoscutum, dorsal view; **C.** Mesopleuron, lateral view; **D.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **E.** Genital capsule, dorsal view; **F.** Genital capsule of *Chrysis callaina* Gribodo, 1879, from Zambia, dorsal view; **G.** Genital capsule of *Chrysis fuscipennis* Brullé, 1846 from Cina, dorsal view; **H.** Metasoma, ventral view.

**Remarks.** The coloration of the specimens collected in Hormozgan is remarkably different, being fully purplish (Figs 26, 27) similarly to *Chrysis jousseaupei* du Buysson, 1898 (Fig. 26F), instead of green with blue bands, as in the type series. This unusual colour form was recently observed in specimens

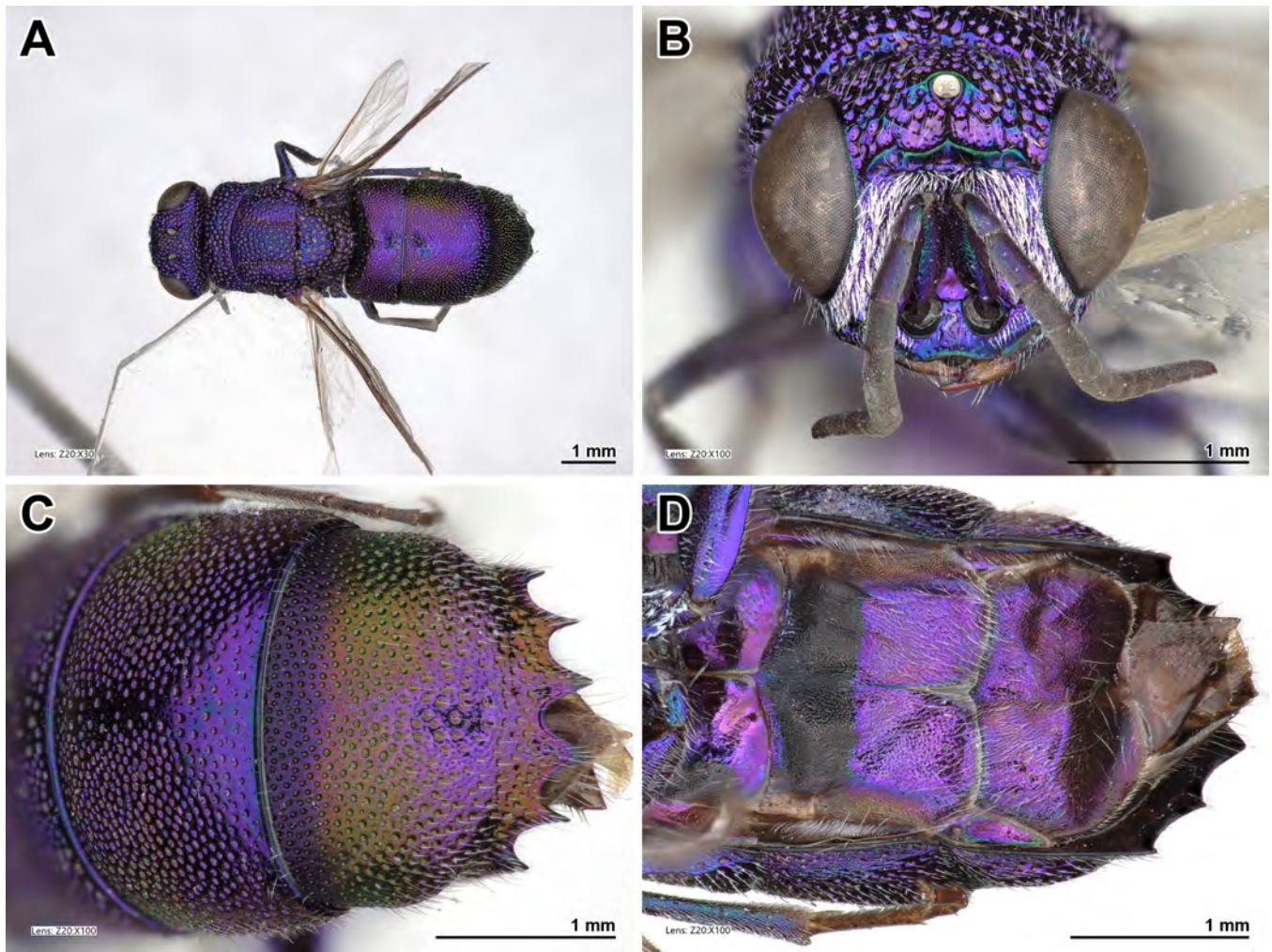


collected in India from Hyderabad (Rosa, 2023b). Also in this case, the habitus and body colour are similar to *Chrysis jousseaumei* but the body sculpture and the saw-like lower mesopleuron (Fig. 26E) are similar to *C. musa* and not to *C. jousseaumei*, which is characterised by a single, sharp tooth on mesopleuron (Fig. 26F). More material is needed to confirm the identification of these Iranian and Indian specimens, which could belong to an undescribed species.



**Figure 26.** *Chrysis musa* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954, male. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Third tergum, posterior view; **D.** Metasoma, ventral view; **E.** Mesopleuron, lateral view; **F.** Mesopleuron of *C. jousseaumei*, lateral view, the arrow pointing to the single, sharp tooth.





**Figure 27.** *Chrysis musa* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954, female. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Third tergum, postero-lateral view; **D.** Metasoma, ventral view.

### *Chrysis mutabilis* du Buysson, 1887

*Chrysis mutabilis* du Buysson, 1887:194. Lectotype ♂ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:441; Palestine: Tiberias (Paris) (*cerastes* group).

*Chrysis hyrcana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:167. Holotype ♀♀; Iran: Gorgan [former Astrabad] (St. Petersburg).

*Chrysis mutabilis*: Rosa et al., 2013:26 (East-Azarbaijan); Ebrahimi, 2015:29 (Ardabil).

**Distribution.** Iran (Ardabil, East-Azarbaijan). Cyprus, Caucasus, Middle East, Palestine, Türkiye, Kazakhstan (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis mysta* du Buysson, 1900

*Chrysis mysta* du Buysson, 1900:152. Holotype ♀; Palestine: Jericho (Paris) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis mysta*: Farhad et al., 2015b:39 (Hormozgan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:22 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan). Palestine, Southern Russia, Syria, Türkiye, Middle East and Central Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis orienticola* Linsenmaier, 1994 (Figs 32C, 32G)

*Chrysis* (*Chrysis*) *orienticola* Linsenmaier, 1994:175. Holotype ♀; Iran: Bandar Abbas (London) (*subsinuata* group).

*Chrysis orienticola* Rosa et al., 2013:26 (Hormozgan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Oman (Linsenmaier, 1994).



***Chrysis palliditarsis* Spinola, 1838**

*Chrysis palliditarsis* Spinola, 1838:449. Holotype ♂; Egypt (Turin) (*scutellaris* group).

*Chrysis palliditarsis*: Farhad et al., 2015b:39 (Hormozgan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:22 (Fars); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:498 (Fars); Falahatpisheh et al., 2020:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan). Palestine, Middle East; Central Asia; Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1959a); Arabian Peninsula (Rosa et al., 2020a); Afrotropical (Madl & Rosa, 2012).

***Chrysis parthorum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Chrysis* (*Gonodontochrysis*) *parthorum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:161. Holotype ♂ [nec ♀]; Iran: Semnan province, Shahrud, 15.v.1914, A. Kirichenko (St. Petersburg) (*rufitarsis* group).

*Chrysis parthorum*: Rosa et al., 2013:26 (Semnan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Semnan) (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).

***Chrysis peri* Rosa & Baiocchi, sp. nov. (Fig. 28A–F)**

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**Material examined.** Holotype ♀; IRAN, Kerman province: env. Kangari, 29°17'52"N, 57°00'03"E, 2490m, 26.v.2015, leg. D. Baiocchi (MSNM).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis peri* sp. nov. belongs to the *Chrysis succincta* species-group. Main diagnostic characters are given by the combination of metasomal apical margin continuous, without teeth, undulations or incisions, and body colour greenish-red, red to rosy. This coloration can be found in other species distributed in the Middle East and Central Asia, such as *Chrysis glasunovi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967 and *C. mysta* du Buysson, 1900, but they have metasomal apical margin with four teeth. Several other species in the Mediterranean, the Middle East and Central Asia have continuous and edentate apical margin; however, *Chrysis peri* sp. nov. can be separated from: *Chrysis israelia* Linsenmaier, 1959 by its colour pattern similar to that of the *C. leachii* group, with head and pronotum blue, the latter with golden anterior margin; *C. aurimaculifrons* Linsenmaier, 1968 by its colour pattern, with head, metanotum, apical margin of third tergum and propodeum blue to green and with flame red, contrasting brow; *C. striatifacialis* Linsenmaier, 1968 by head with scapal basin largely micropunctate at sides, and by its colour pattern; finally, *C. schousboei* Dahlbom, 1854, often cited for the Middle East yet to be confirmed, has completed dark blue head, propodeum, apical margin after pit row and body ventral, and can also be separated by apical margin medially slightly trisinate, in particular with a weak median notch.

**Description.** — Holotype ♀ (Fig. 28A–F). Body length 6.0 mm, anterior wing length 3.0 mm (Fig. 28A).

**Head.** Brow with two rows of small (0.2–0.3× MOD) and medium punctures (0.5× MOD), between anterior ocellus and transverse frontal carina and with medium to large punctures (0.5–0.8× MOD) between carina and the upper margin of scapal basin (Fig. 28C); punctures below frontal carina irregular, contiguous to confluent each other (Fig. 28B); puncture on vertex and temples spaced, polished interspaces with small to medium punctures; punctation denser on ocelli area; posterior ocelli with lateral fovea, sinuous and as long as ocellus length; scapal basin typically deep and polished medially, densely and finely punctate laterally, each puncture bearing white seta; malar space finely and densely punctate; transverse frontal carina irregularly M-shaped, weak but clearly visible as a swollen, black line between punctures; genal carina sharp, fully developed from occiput to mandibular insertion; subantennal space short, 0.5 MOD; apex of clypeus straight, arcuate upwards with narrow dark brown rim; clypeus medially polished; punctures small and dense laterally, bearing a white seta. Distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of frontal carina 1.3× MOD; distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of scapal basin = 2.6× MOD. OOL 1.6× MOD; POL 2.0× MOD; MS 0.8× MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.5:0.8:0.8.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow deep, reaching  $\frac{3}{4}$  of pronotal length; pronotum with small to large punctures (0.2–0.7× MOD), with deep punctures becoming shallow towards basal margin; with narrow

polished interspaces; apical margin with row of small punctures; punctures on median area of mesoscutum spaced, large (up to  $0.8 \times \text{MOD}$ ) and shallow basally, with scattered small punctures, at most  $0.3 \times \text{MOD}$  on polished interspaces (Fig. 28C); punctation on lateral areas of mesoscutum with denser and deeper punctures, anyway becoming shallower basally; notauli formed by deep, metallic, small sub-square to round foveae; parapsidal signum deep and distinct; punctation on scutellum with large, shallow and spaced punctures anteromedially, denser and deeper along margins; scutellar-metanotal suture deep, formed by deep and elongate foveae; metanotum with dense and deep large punctures medially, with dense and small punctures along margins; posterior propodeal projections divergent; mesopleuron with episternal sulcus formed by large subsquare foveae, confluent each other and as large as other punctures on mesepimeron (Fig. 28D).

*Metasoma*. First tergum with even, medium sized punctures, denser on first half and becoming sparser on the second half, laterally; second tergum with slightly larger punctures basally, denser apico-medially, with narrow interspaces between punctures; laterally and on second half of tergum with spaced and smaller punctures, and larger, polished interspaces up 2 puncture diameters; longitudinal median carina weak, in the first half marked by row of dense dots (Fig. 28E); third tergum with shallow punctures, with small punctures on interspaces; apical margin continuous, without protrusion or sinuosities, with narrow brownish rim; pits of pit row large, shallow, metallic; black spots on second sternum large, covering  $2/3$  of sternum length; spot margin straight; spots completely fused medially (Fig. 28F).

*Colouration*. Body colour greenish-red, red to rosy; head greenish with golden reflections dorsally, face green; metanotum and propodeum greenish with rosy reflections, as legs and lateral side of mesosoma; metasoma red to rosy dorsally and ventrally; scape, pedicel and first flagellum basally metallic green, the rest of flagellum blackish; wings hyaline, with brown veins.

*Vestiture*. Head dorsally with short, dense greyish to whitish setae as long as  $1 \times \text{MOD}$ ; ventrally with long white setae, at least  $1.5 \times \text{MOD}$  long; mesosoma dorsally with setae as long as  $1.5 \times \text{MOD}$ , long and erects on metasoma laterally with erect and long ( $1.5\text{--}2.0 \times \text{MOD}$ ) whitish setae.

**Male**. Unknown.

***Etymology***. The specific epithet *peri* (noun in apposition) is named after *peris* (*peri* singular), beautiful winged spirits originating in Iranian mythology. They became benevolent spirits under Islamic influence, in contrast to demons, such as *jinn* and *dios*. The word *parī* comes from the Middle Persian *parīg*, itself from Old Persian *parikā*. The word may stem from the same root as the Persian word *par* (wing). *Peris* can be found in Persian folklore and poetry, in romances and epics and with the spread of Islam through Persia, *peri* was integrated into Islamic folklore.

***Distribution***. \*Iran (Kerman).

### ***Chrysis pharaonum* Mocsáry, 1882**

*Chrysis refulgens* Klug, 1845:fig. 8, Tav. 45, *nom. praeocc., nec* Spinola, 1808. Type unknown; Somalia (Berlin) (*pallidicornis* group).

*Chrysis pharaonum* Mocsáry, 1882:46. Replacement name for *Chrysis refulgens* Klug, 1845.

*Chrysis pharaonum*: Rosa et al., 2013:26.

***Distribution***. Iran (Linsenmaier, 1959a). Palestine, Egypt, Ethiopia, Somalia, and Sudan (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1999).

### ***Chrysis prosuccincta* Linsenmaier, 1968**

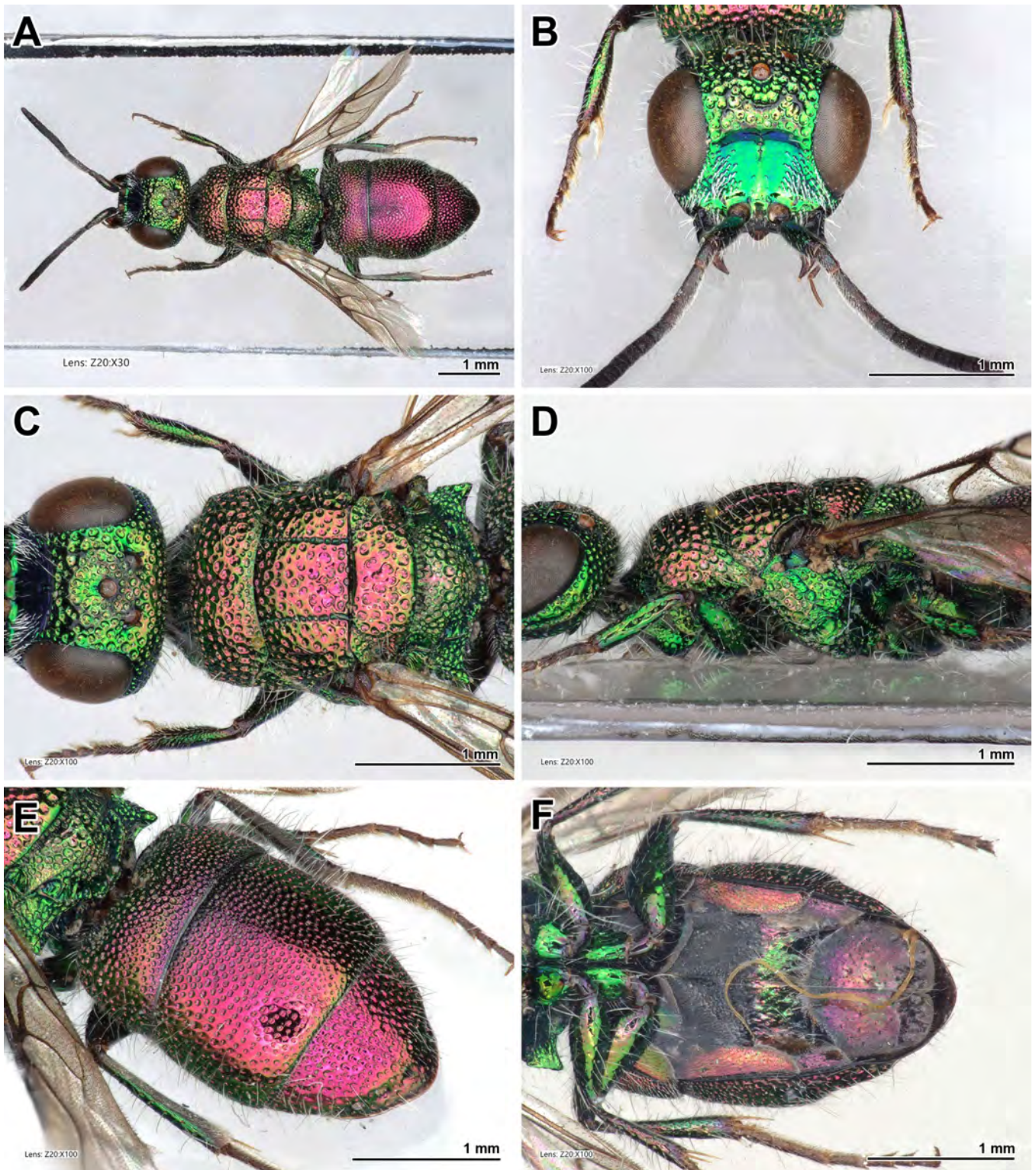
*Chrysis* (*Chrysis*) *prosuccincta* Linsenmaier, 1968:70. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Konya (Luzern) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis prosuccincta*: Rosa et al., 2013:27 (Qazvin).

*Chrysis succincta* Linnaeus, 1761:947; *Strumia* & Fallahzadeh, 2015:23 (Fars, misidentification).

***Distribution***. Iran (Qazvin). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1968).





**Figure 28.** *Chrysis peri* Rosa & Baiocchi, sp. nov., female, holotype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Head and mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Chrysis pseudobrevitarsis* Linsenmaier, 1951**

*Chrysis ignita* var. *pseudobrevitarsis* Linsenmaier, 1951:79. Lectotype ♀ designated by Linsenmaier, 1959a:158; Switzerland: Wallis (Luzern) (*ignita* group).

**Material examined.** 2♀♀, Mazandaran province: 1 km NW Kinj, 36°24'14.4"N, 51°30'54"E, 22.iv.2019, 1600m, leg. O. Šauša (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Mazandaran). Palearctic species, known from Western Europe to Siberia and Mongolia (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis pseudoincisa* Balthasar, 1953

*Chrysis pseudoincisa* Balthasar, 1953:272. Holotype ♀; Palestine: Jerusalem (Prague) (*rufitarsis* group).

*Chrysis pseudoincisa*: Rosa, 2020:466 (Mazandaran), 474 (fig. 10).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran). Cyprus, Middle East (Rosa, 2020).

### *Chrysis regina* du Buysson, 1887

*Chrysis regina* du Buysson, 1887:186. Lectotype ♂ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:456; Persia (Paris) (*cerastes* group).

*Chrysis regina*: Rosa et al., 2013:28 (Mazandaran).

*Chrysis psittacina* du Buysson, 1887: Rosa et al., 2013:27 (Persia).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis psittacina* was synonymised with *Chrysis regina* by Rosa (2024).

### *Chrysis remota* Mocsáry, 1889

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) remota* Mocsáry in Radoszkowski, 1889:21. Lectotype ♂ designated by Rosa et al., 2015d:50; Caucasus; Iran: Demavend (Kraków) (*graelisii* group).

*Chrysis remota*: Rosa et al., 2013:28 (Demavend).

**Distribution.** Iran (Tehran).

### *Chrysis robertsi* Rosa, 2020 (Fig. 29A–D)

*Chrysis (Chrysis) viridicyanea* Linsenmaier, 1968:63, *nec* Giebel, 1862. Holotype ♀; Egypt: Cairo (*succincta* group) (NMLU). Linsenmaier, 1999:150 (key), 155 (descr.).

*Chrysis viridicyanea* Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:477.

*Chrysis robertsi* Rosa [in Rosa & Greef], 2020: replacement name for *Chrysis viridicyanea* Linsenmaier, 1959, *nec* Giebel, 1862.

**Material examined.** 1♀, Fars province: Shiraz, 29.V.2013, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Fars). Egypt, Lybia, Saudi Arabia (Linsenmaier, 1999).

### *Chrysis rubricata* Mocsáry, 1902

*Chrysis rubricata* Mocsáry, 1902:340. Lectotype ♂, designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:457; Egypt: Cairo (Budapest) (*rubricata* group).

*Chrysis rubricata*: Rosa et al., 2013:28 (East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Kuhgiloyeh & Boyerahmad).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Kuhgiloyeh & Boyerahmad). Egypt (Rosa, 2004a).

**Remarks.** Iranian records do not match the typical Egyptian *Chrysis rubricata*, nevertheless, they do not match the similarly coloured *Chrysis darii* Mocsáry either. They possibly belong to an undescribed species.

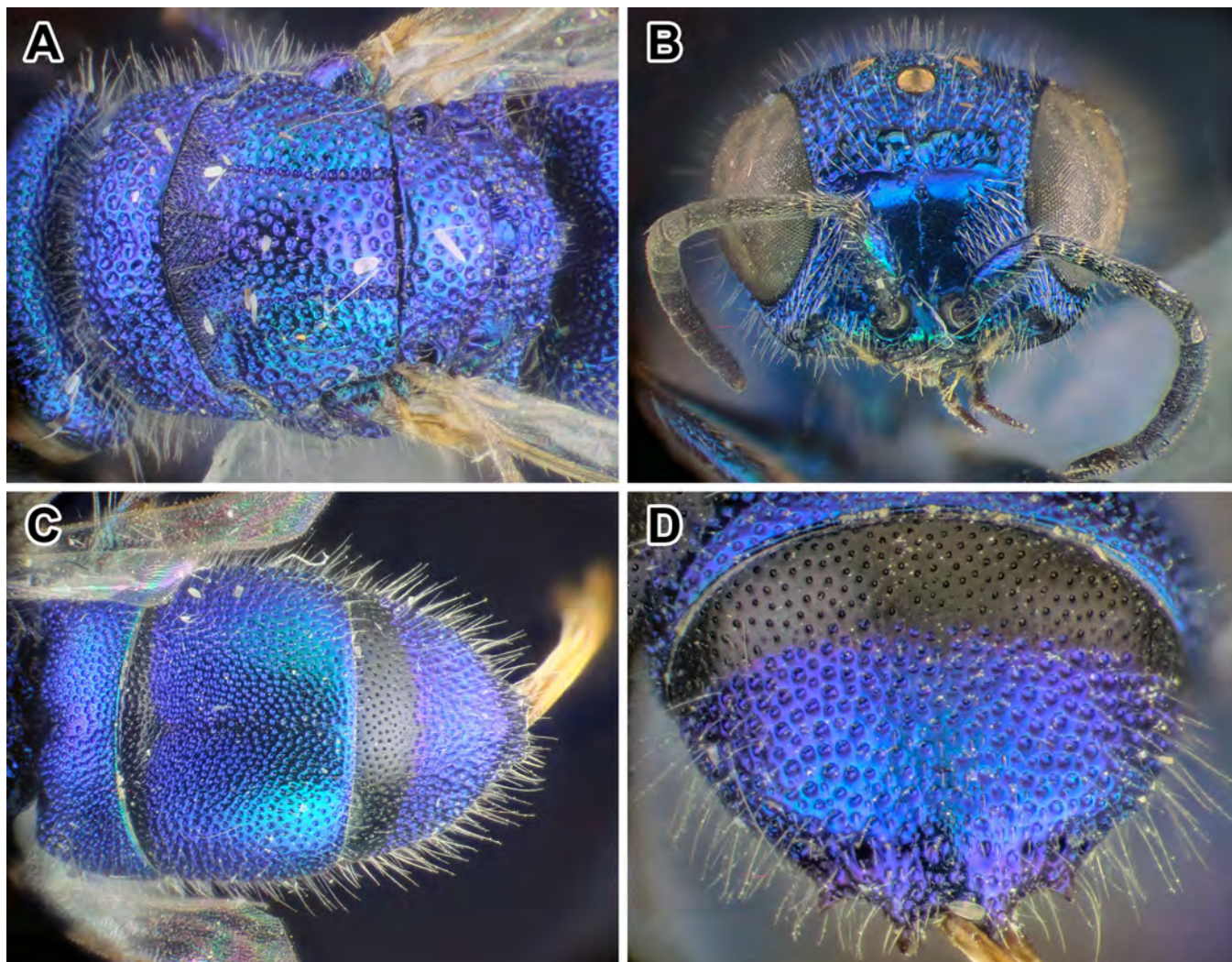
### *Chrysis ruddii* Shuckard, 1837

*Chrysis ruddii* Shuckard, 1837:163. Syntypes [series unknown]; England (lost) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis ruddii*: Rosa et al., 2013:28 (Persia).

**Distribution.** Iran (without locality). Euroasian, from Europe to Türkiye, Caucasus and Urals; in the south only on mountains (Rosa et al., 2013).





**Figure 29.** *Chrysis robertsi* Rosa, 2000, female. **A.** mesosoma, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, posterior view.

### *Chrysis rufitarsis* Brullé, 1833

*Chrysis rufitarsis* Brullé, 1833:375. Syntypes ♂, ♀♀; Greece: Peloponnese: “forêt de Koubeh” (Paris) (*rufitarsis* group).  
*Chrysis rufitarsis*: Rosa et al., 2013:28 (Persia).

**Distribution.** Iran (without locality). West-Palaeartic, from Europe to the Caucasus; Northern Africa: Morocco, Tunisia (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968, 1999); Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (Tarbinsky, 2002b).

### *Chrysis rufitarsis progressa* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Chrysis (Chrysis) rufitarsis progressa* Linsenmaier, 1959a:138. Holotype ♀; Palestine (Luzern) (*rufitarsis* group).  
*Chrysis rufitarsis progressa*: Rosa et al., 2013:29 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Palestine (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968), Türkiye (Strumia & Yildirim, 2009).

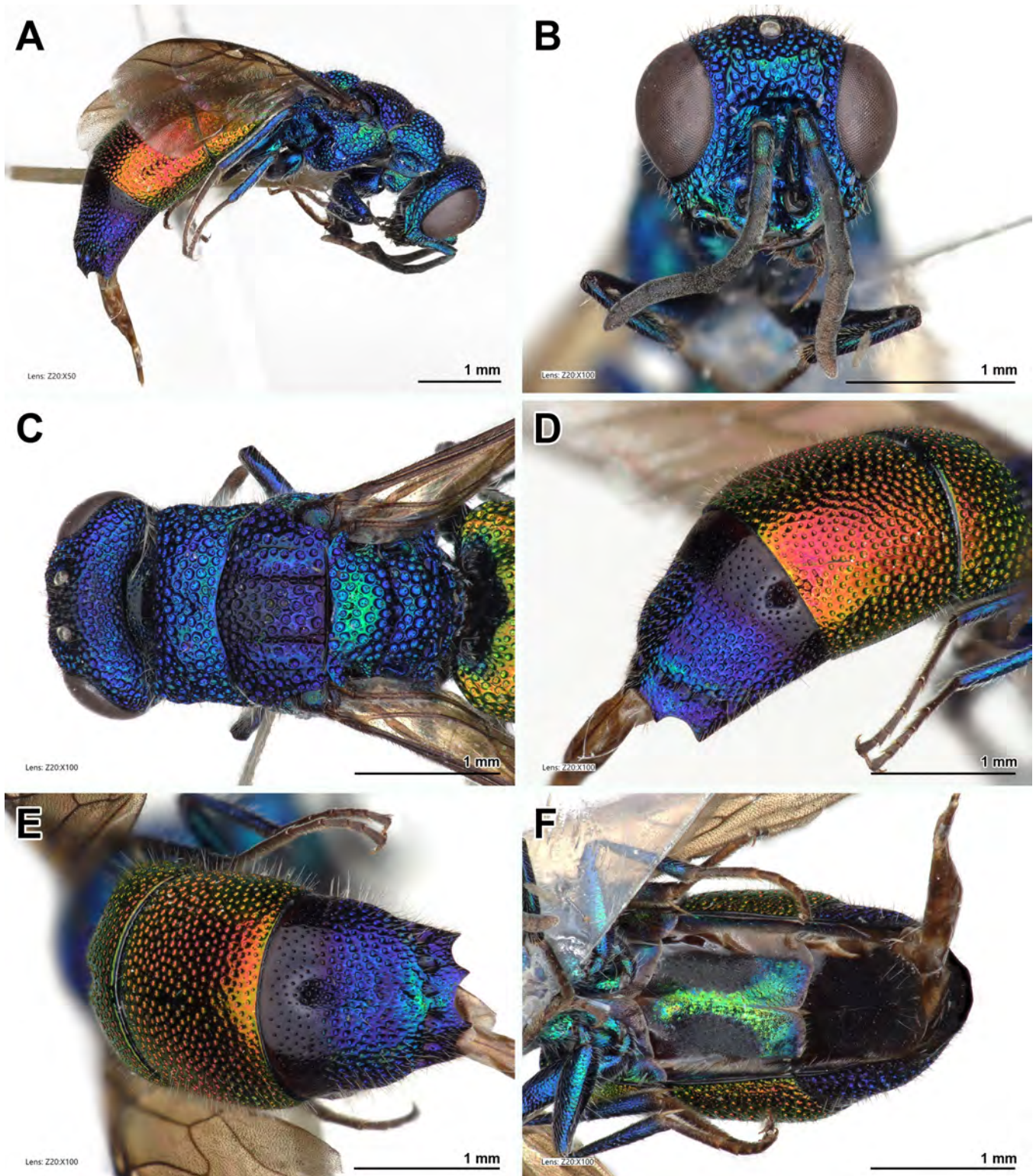
### *Chrysis rutilans* Olivier, 1790 (Fig. 30A–F)

*Chrysis rutilans* Olivier, 1790:676. Type unknown; France: Angoumois (Paris?) (*splendidula* group).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Gilan, Astaneh, Ashrafiye, 37°22'03"N, 49°57'57"E, 13.ix.2010, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Gilan). Palaeartic, from Europe and Northern Africa to China and Japan (Rosa et al., 2013).





**Figure 30.** *Chrysis rutilans* Olivier, 1791, female. **A.** Habitus, lateral view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, posterior view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

### *Chrysis sacrata* du Buysson, 1898

*Chrysis sacrata* du Buysson, 1898a:140. Holotype ♀; Algeria: Biskra (Paris) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis sacrata*: Iranmanesh et al., 2017:300 (Kerman), 301 (figs 3A, B).



**Material examined.** 15♂♂, 1♀, Golestan province: 70 km E of Minudasht, 37°15'36"N, 55°59'24"E, 1050m, 12.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC); 18♂♂, 6♀♀, Kerman province: Bardsir, 29°57'00"N, 56°34'48"E, 2050m, 6.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan, Kerman).

### *Chrysis santschii* Linsenmaier, 1959

*Chrysis santschii* Linsenmaier, 1959a:120. Holotype ♀; Tunisia (Zurich) (*leachii* group).

*Chrysis santschii*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2020:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1999).

### *Chrysis saraksensis* Radoszkowski, 1891

*Chrysis saraksensis* Radoszkowski, 1891:195. Holotype ♂; Iran [not Turkmenistan]: Sarakhs (Kraków) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis seraxensis*: Radoszkowski, 1893:81. Unjustified emendation (ICZN, 1999: Article 32.5.1).

*Chrysis sarakhsensis*: Bingham, 1908:349. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Chrysis saraksensis*: Rosa et al., 2013:23 (East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Khorasan-e Razavi). Central Asia: Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan; U.A.E. (Rosa et al., 2020a)

### *Chrysis schencki* Linsenmaier, 1968

*Chrysis (Chrysis) ignita* ssp. *schenkiana* Linsenmaier, 1959a:156, *nom. praeocc., nec* Mocsáry, 1912a. Holotype ♀; Switzerland: Graubundens (Luzern) (*ignita* group).

*Chrysis (Chrysis) ignita* ssp. *schencki* Linsenmaier, 1968:99. Replacement name for *C. ignita schenkiana* Linsenmaier, 1959, *nom. praeocc., nec* Mocsáry, 1912a.

*Chrysis schencki*: Rosa et al., 2013:29 (Golestan, Mazandaran); Rosa, 2020:466 (Gilan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Gilan, Golestan, Mazandaran). Europe, Türkiye; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis schousboei* Dahlbom, 1854

*Chrysis schousboei* Dahlbom, 1854:272. Syntypes, sex unknown; Morocco: Tangier (Copenhagen) (*succincta* group).

*Chrysis schousboei*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:22 (Khorasan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan). Caucasus, Türkiye; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis schwarzi* Linsenmaier, 1968

*Chrysis concolor schwarzi* Linsenmaier, 1968:51. Holotype ♀; Türkiye (Luzern) (*varidens* group).

*Chrysis concolor schwarzi*: Rosa et al., 2013:18 (East-Azarbaijan, Lorestan); Farhad et al., 2015b:37 (Hormozgan).

*Chrysis schwarzi*: Farhad et al., 2019:1008 (key, fig. 2A), 1009 (fig. 3C), 1011 (diag., East-Azarbaijan, Lorestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Hormozgan, Lorestan). Middle East, Palestine (Rosa et al., 2013).

### *Chrysis sefrensis* du Buysson, 1900

*Chrysis sefrensis* du Buysson, 1900:150. Holotype ♀; Algeria (Paris) (*facialis* group).

*Chrysis sefrensis*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:22 (Fars, Khorasan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Khorasan). North-western Africa: Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Libya (Linsenmaier, 1999).

### *Chrysis semenovi* Radoszkowski, 1891

*Chrysis semenovi* Radoszkowski, 1891:193. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:461; Iran: Sarakhs (Kraków) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis semenovi*: Rosa et al., 2013:29 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi) (Radoszkowski, 1893).

***Chrysis serva* du Buysson, 1898**

*Chrysis serva* du Buysson, 1898a:132. Holotype ♂; Egypt (Paris) (*millenaris* group).

*Chrysis serva*: Rosa et al., 2013:29 (Qazvin).

**Distribution.** Iran (Qazvin). Palestine, Saudi Arabia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2020a).

***Chrysis sexdentata* Christ, 1791**

*Chrysis sexdentata* Christ, 1791:404. Type [type series unknown]; type locality unknown (depository unknown) (*smaragdula* group).

*Chrysis sexdentata*: Rosa et al., 2013:29 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi). West-Palaeartic: from Southern Europe to Türkiye and Central Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysis simurgh* Rosa, sp. nov. (Figs 31A–F, 32A, 32E)**

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**Material examined. Holotype** ♀; IRAN, Qazvin province: Zereshk, 36°25'23"N, 50°06'37"E, 7.vii.2011, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis simurgh* sp. nov. belongs to the *subsiniuata* species group for: habitus; the peculiar shape of its first metasomal tergum, with a pair of submedian humps at front of dorsal area; apical margin of third tergum medially sinuate and laterally with corners; elongate structure of third tergum, and subparallel malar spaces; elongate black spots on second sternum. In the Middle East and Central Asia there are three species with similar shape and colouration: *C. echidna* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967, *C. hydra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967, and *C. orienticola* Linsenmaier, 1994. Compared to these species, *Chrysis simurgh* sp. nov. can be recognised by the combination of following characters: deep and coarse punctation, in particular on metasomal terga (Figs 31E, 32A); punctation on first and second tergum antero-dorsally with large punctures, up to 0.8× MOD, decreasing in size towards apical margin (*vs.* even or small punctures in other species, Fig. 32B–D); interspaces on first and second tergum antero-dorsally narrow, somewhere with contiguous punctures (*vs.* punctures separated by even interspaces or with aligned punctures in *C. orienticola*, Fig. 32C); black spots on second sternum well visible, trapeziform larger apically than at base (Fig. 32E) (*vs.* greenish to faint in *C. hydra* and *C. orienticola* (Figs 32G, H), barely visible only under a certain light; or vaguely subrectangular in *C. echidna*, Fig. 32F); vestiture elongate and greyish dorsally (*vs.* whitish and short). Other diagnostic characters to separate *Chrysis simurgh* sp. nov. from *C. echidna* are: shape of mesopleural sulci, distinctly larger, and shape of genal carina, with different angle; however, these characters are based on limited number of specimens and should be evaluated on a larger number of records. The first group of characters is anyway considered enough to separate *simurgh* sp. nov. from other species.

**Description.** — **Holotype** ♀ (Fig. 31A–F). Body length 7.9, anterior wing length 4.3 mm (Fig. 31A).

**Head.** Brow with dense and small punctures (0.2–0.4× MOD); punctures below the transverse frontal carina irregular and confluent; punctures on ocellar area smaller, on vertex slightly larger and sparser, with micropunctate interspaces; scapal basin impunctate medially but finely transversally wrinkled, at sides with dense micropunctures covering scapal basin and crescent in size towards compound eye; malar space fully and densely punctate with small punctures; clypeus fully micropunctate; apical rim slightly arcuate inwards and with a wide, triangular, brown apical rim medially; transverse frontal carina weakly defined but still visible and with slightly contrasting green colour, inverted-V shaped (Fig. 31B); genal carina sharp, straight, fully developed from occiput to mandibular insertion; malar space long (2.0× MOD) and convergent to clypeus; subantennal space long, 1.2× MOD; distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of frontal carina 0.7× MOD; OOL 1.8× MOD; POL 2.3× MOD; MS 2.0× MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.4:1.1:0.9.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow very deep, similarly to species in the *rufitarsis* group, exceeding half of pronotal length; humeral angle straight; pronotum with deep and large punctures (0.5× MOD), with



small dots and punctures on interspaces; punctation on mesoscutum deep, with large punctures ( $0.6\times$  MOD) always separated by polished interspaces ( $0.2\text{--}1.0$  puncture diameter) with small dots (Fig. 31C); notauli formed by deep, metallic, sub-rectangular foveae, as large as punctures at base of mesoscutum, decreasing towards apical margin; basal foveae of notauli fused to form an elongate one; parapsidal signum as deep line; lateral area of mesoscutum sculptured as median one, with large and deep punctures separated by dotted interspaces; scutellum with punctation similar to that of mesoscutum, with slightly smaller punctures; metanotum antero-medially with deep and wide fovea, punctures similar to those on mesoscutum, contiguous, almost without polished interspaces; posterior propodeal projections triangular, stubby, apically blunt; mesopleuron with deep sulci formed by large subsquare foveae, larger than punctures on segment (Fig. 31D).

*Metasoma*. First tergum typically elongate as for other members of this species group, almost as long as the second, with deep and coarse punctures at base and on two anteromedian humps; punctures becoming sparser and smaller laterally and apically, micropunctate on interspaces; first tergum with two wide micropunctate areas, without large punctures (Fig. 31E); densely punctate along apical margin; second tergum with deep, large and dense punctures dorsally, on basal half, decreasing in size towards apical margin, with wider interspaces; laterally with same sculpture, and more micropunctate on interspaces; longitudinal median carina faint, but along mid-line with aligned dense micropunctures (Fig. 31E); third tergum typically elongate ( $1.3$  times longer than second tergum); punctation dense, deep, but with smaller punctures; pits of pit row large, deep and longitudinally elongate; apical margin medially sinuous and laterally with blunt angle; black spots on second sternum reaching half segment length; spots trapezoid, with inner margins distinctly oblique and conspicuously distant each other (Fig. 32E).

*Colouration*. Body dark blue with greenish reflections; scape, pedicel and first flagellum metallic blue, the rest of flagellum blackish; wings hyaline, with light brown veins.

*Vestiture*. Head and mesosoma dorsally with dark, greyish long setae, as long as  $1$  to  $1.5\times$  MOD on head and  $2\times$  MOD on mesosoma; on metasoma dorsally with short, whitish setae ( $1\times$  MOD), on second and third tergum laterally longer; very short, whitish setae on legs.

**Male.** *Unknown*.

***Etymology***. The specific epithet *simurgh* (noun in apposition) recalls the mythological bird Simurgh, equated with another mythological bird such as the phoenix. This mythological figure is found in all periods of Iranian art and the etymology probably derives from Middle Persian and originally means a raptor, like an eagle, a falcon, anyway a bird of prey. Another Asian cuckoo wasp was named after the phoenix by Semenov-Tian-Shanskij (1967): *Spinolia phoenix*.

***Distribution***. \*Iran (Qazvin).

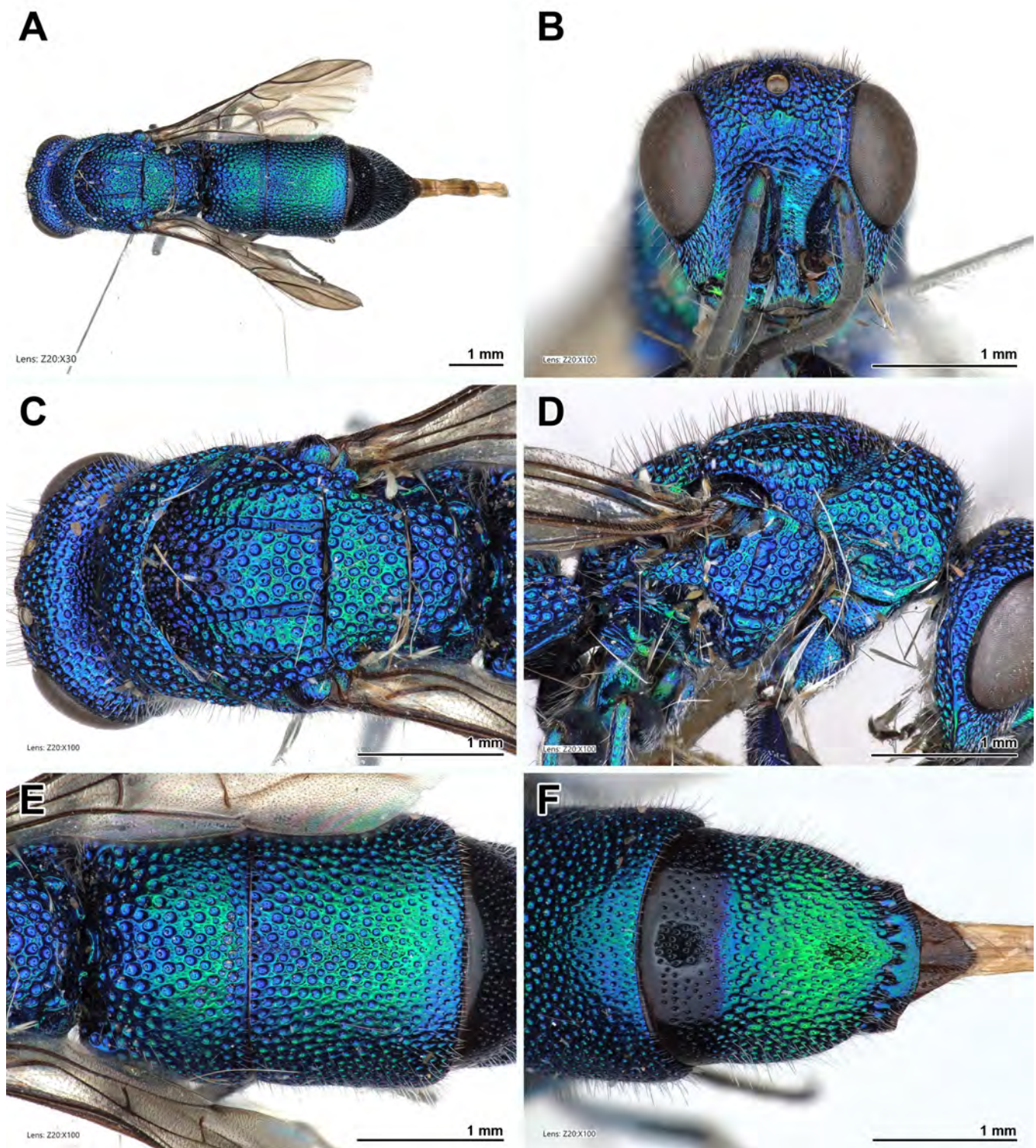
### ***Chrysis singula* Radoszkowski, 1891 (Fig. 33A–F)**

*Chrysis singula* Radoszkowski, 1891:187. Syntypes ♀; Turkmenistan: Ashkabad (Berlin, Krakow) (*succincta* group).

***Material examined***. 1♀, Tehran province: Ab Ali [= Abali], 9–10.vii.[19]65, leg. Giordani Soika & Mavromoustakis (NMLU).

***Distribution***. Iran (Tehran). Caucasus, Central Asia, Russia (European part).

***Remarks***. The species listed in Rosa et al. (2013) was actually *Chrysis grohmanni bolivari* (see above), whereas the real *Chrysis singula* was located among the unidentified material and its identification was possible only after examination and comparison with the syntypes deposited in the Radoszkowski collection in Krakow and in Berlin. The Iranian specimen shows anyway some minor differences, such as the extremely large, confluent and shallow punctures on mesonotum that may suggest that this specimen belongs to another undescribed species. However, we could not find any other relevant diagnostic characters to separate it from the typical form, and we prefer to examine further material before taking any other action.



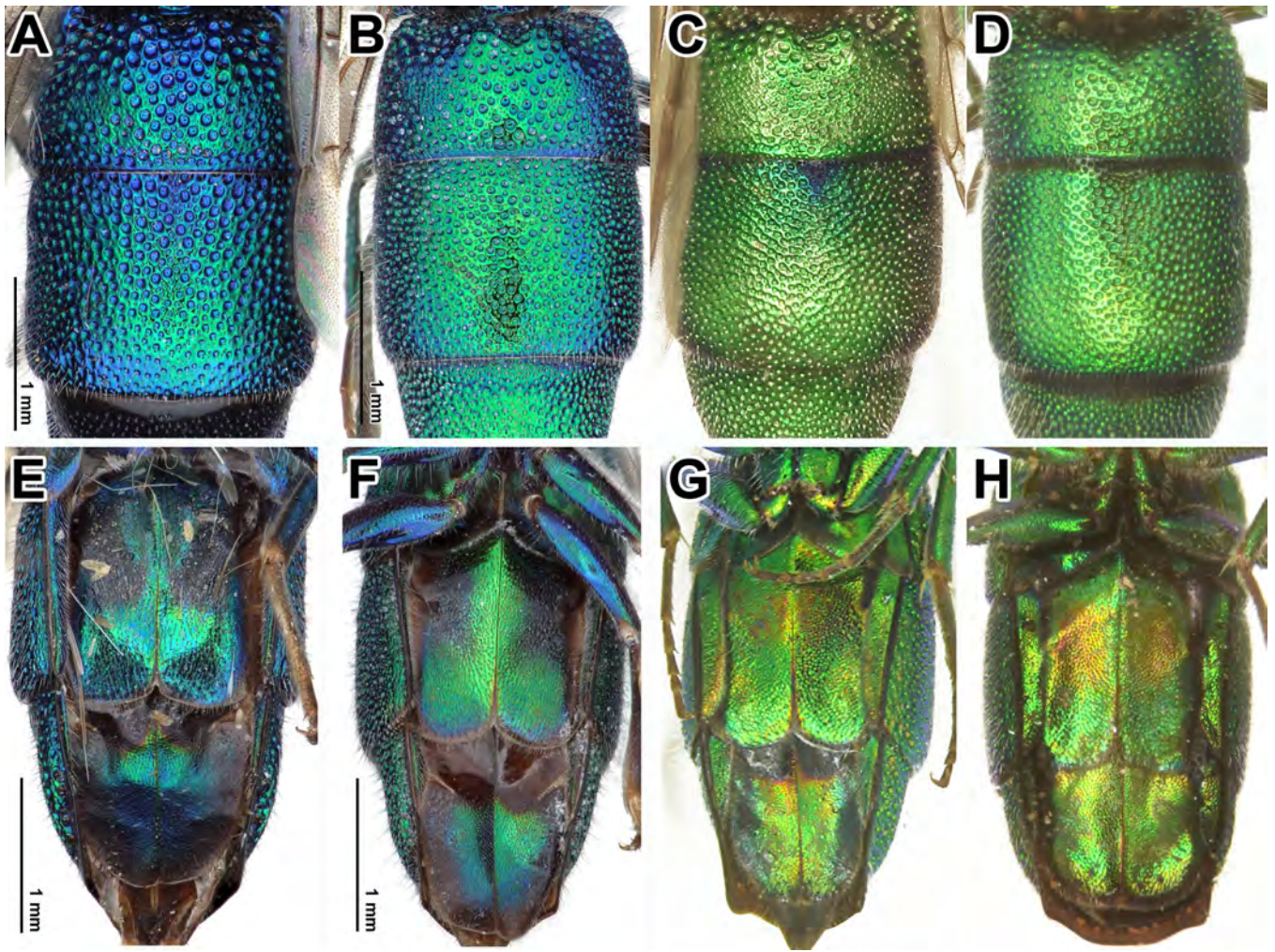
**Figure 31.** *Chrysis simurgh* Rosa, **sp. nov.**, female, holotype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Head and mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasomal first and second tergum, dorsal view; **F.** Metasomal third tergum, posterior view.

### *Chrysis soror* Dahlbom, 1854

*Chrysis soror* Dahlbom, 1854:240. Syntypes ♂♂; Greece: Rhodes Is. (Stockholm) (*scutellaris* group).

*Chrysis scutellaris* var. *gracilis* Trautmann, 1927:177, *nom. praeocc., nec* Schenck, 1856. Type unknown; Türkiye: Anatolia (Berlin?).





**Figure 32.** A-D. Metasoma, dorsal view; **A.** *Chrysis simurgh* Rosa, **sp. nov.**; **B.** *C. echidna* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967; **C.** *C. orienticola* Linsenmaier, 1994; **D.** *C. hydra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967; **E-H.** Metasoma, ventral view; **E.** *Chrysis simurgh* Rosa, **sp. nov.**; **F.** *C. echidna* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967; **G.** *C. orienticola* Linsenmaier, 1994; **H.** *C. hydra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967.

*Chrysis (Chrysis) soror gracilia* Linsenmaier, 1959a:125. Repl. name for *gracilis* Trautmann, 1927.

*Chrysis soror calandra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:167; Rosa et al., 2013:30 (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Golestan); Ebrahimi, 2015:31 (East-Azarbaijan).

*Chrysis soror gracilia*: Iranmanesh et al., 2017:300 (Kerman).

*Chrysis soror*: Rosa, 2020:467 (Golestan).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Qazvin, Zereshk, 361m., 36°25'23"N, 50°06'37"E, 6.vii.2011, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Golestan, Kerman). From South-eastern Europe, to Middle-East and Central Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

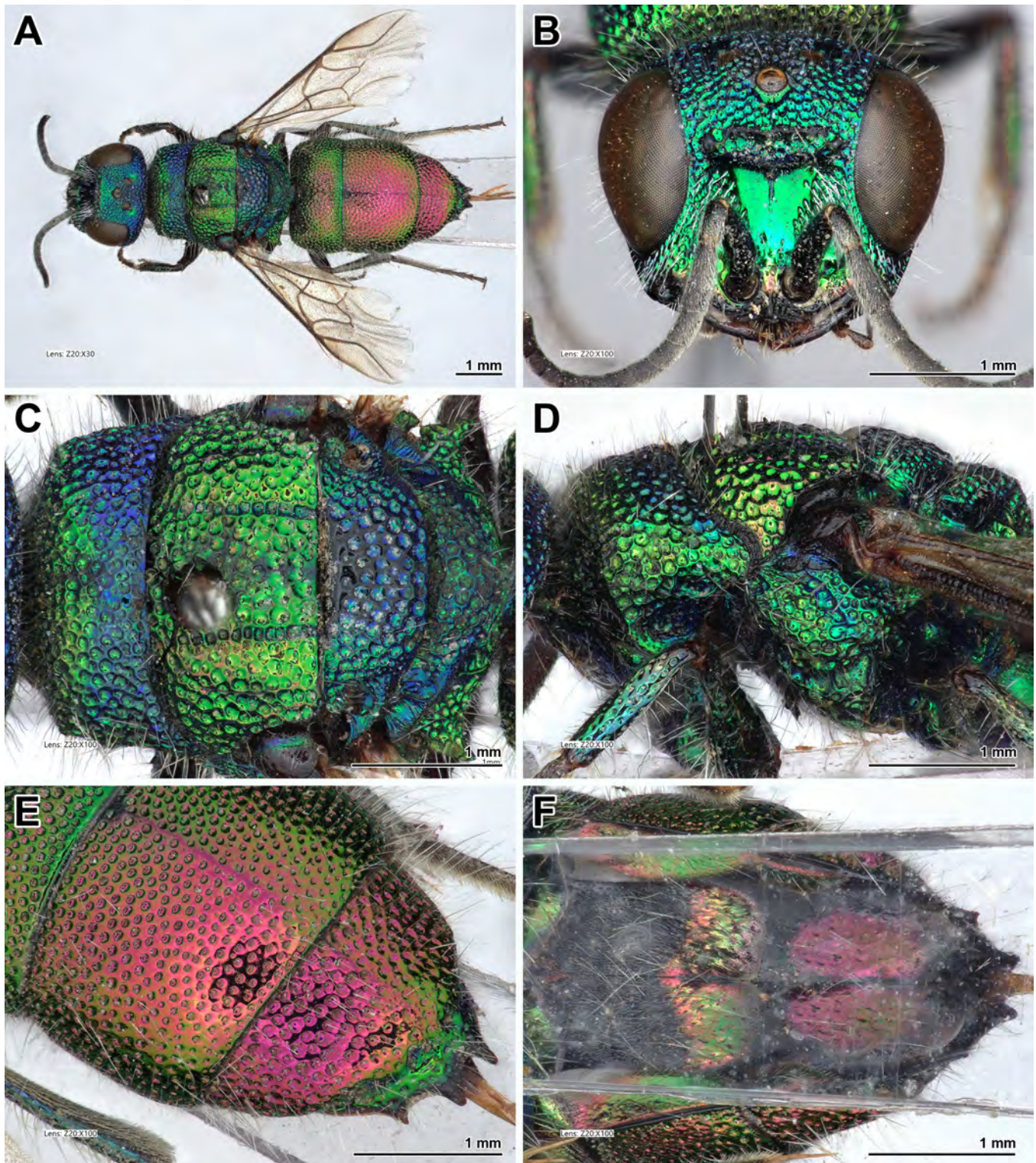
### *Chrysis speciosa* Radoszkowski, 1877

*Chrysis speciosa* Radoszkowski, 1877:17. Lectotype ♂, designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:464; Uzbekistan: Tashkent desert (Moscow) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis fulvicornis* Mocsáry, 1889:373; Rosa et al., 2013:21; Farhad et al., 2015b:38 (Hormozgan).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Hormozgan, Ramkan, 26°52'25"N, 56°01'07"E, 13.vii.2012, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC); 1♀, idem, 24.iv.2012 (TMUC); 1♂, Zakin, 3.viii.2012, leg. A. Ameri (TMUC).





**Figure 33.** *Chrysis singula* Radoszkowski, 1891. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Greece, Jordan, Palestine; Central Asia: Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis fulvicornis* Mocsáry was synonymised with *Chrysis speciosa* Radoszkowski by Rosa et al. (2015d).



***Chrysis splendidula* Rossi, 1790**

*Chrysis splendidula* Rossi, 1790:78. Syntypes [not holotype] ♂♂; Italy: Tuscany (Berlin) (*splendidula* group).  
*Chrysis cyanopyga* var. *chlorisans* du Buysson, 1895:534. Holotype ♂; Greece: Aegina (Paris) (*splendidula* group).  
*Chrysis splendidula chlorisans*: Rosa et al., 2013:31 (Gilan, Tehran); Ebrahimi, 2015:32 (Alborz).  
*Chrysis splendidula*: Rosa, 2020:467 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Gilan, Khorasan-e Razavi, Tehran). Caucasus, Cyprus, Palestine, and Western Asia (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

**Remarks.** The Iranian specimens belong to *Chrysis splendidula chlorisans*, which is the eastern colour form of *Chrysis splendidula* Rossi, 1790 with greenish males.

***Chrysis stilboides* Spinola, 1838**

*Chrysis stilboides* Spinola, 1838:446. Holotype ♀; Egypt (Turin) (*oculata* group).  
*Chrysis stilboides*: Ebrahimi, 2015:32 (Alborz); Farzaneh et al., 2017:499 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Fars). Palaearctic: from Northern Africa to Türkiye and India; Afrotropical: widespread; Oriental: from India to Thailand (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

***Chrysis subanalis* Linsenmaier, 1968**

*Chrysis subanalis* Linsenmaier, 1968:94. Holotype ♂; Greece: Lidoriki (Luzern) (*comparata* group).  
*Chrysis subanalis*: Rosa et al., 2013:31 (East-Azarbaijan, Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Mazandaran). Greece (Linsenmaier, 1968), Türkiye (Strumia & Yildirim, 2009).

***Chrysis subdistincta* Linsenmaier, 1968**

*Chrysis (Chrysis) subdistincta* Linsenmaier, 1968:110. Holotype ♂; Transcaspia (Luzern) (*maculicornis* group).  
*Chrysis subdistincta*: Ebrahimi, 2015:33 (Alborz).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz). Asiatic, from Transcaspia to China (Rosa et al., 2017f).

***Chrysis subincisa* Linsenmaier, 1959**

*Chrysis (Chrysis) subincisa* Linsenmaier, 1959a:140. Holotype ♂; Palestine (Luzern) (*rufitarsis* group).  
*Chrysis (Chrysis) subincisa*: Rosa et al., 2013:31 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran). Palestine and Türkiye (Strumia & Yildirim, 2009); Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1999).

***Chrysis sybarita persis* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) sybarita* var. *persis* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:166. Holotype ♂; Kizaabad [according to Bobrinskoi, 1940: between Qazvin and Manjil], 16.v.1904, N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg) (*graelsii* group).  
*Chrysis graelsii* Guérin-Meneville, 1842:148; Rosa et al., 2013:21 (Qazvin).  
*Chrysis jaxartis* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1910:222; Rosa et al., 2013:23 (Tehran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Qazvin, Tehran) (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).

**Remarks.** In Rosa et al. (2013) two similar species were listed: *Chrysis graelsii* (with *Chrysis sybarita persis* as one of its synonyms, following the interpretation of Kimsey & Bohart, 1991) and *C. jaxartis* (based on Linsenmaier's identification of a specimen from Elburz found at the Luzern Museum). The type of *Chrysis sybarita persis* was examined later in St. Petersburg (Rosa et al., 2017a) and is not conspecific with *C. graelsii* but is more closely related to the Central European and Western Asian *Chrysis sybarita* (revalidated by Wiesbauer et al., 2020) based, among the others, on the shape of the apical teeth. Linsenmaier didn't know and never reported *Chrysis sybarita persis* in his publications, therefore the identification of the Iranian specimen in his collection needs to be newly evaluated. For the moment, we consider only *Chrysis sybarita persis* in Iran, pending a complete morphological and genetic study, and taking into consideration that more species of this group may be anyway present in the country.

***Chrysis sznabli* Radoszkowski, 1891**

*Chrysis sznabli* Radoszkowski, 1891:196. Holotype [sex unknown]; Iran: Sarakhs (Krakow) (*viridula* group).

*Chrysis Schnabli*: Radoszkowski, 1893:81. Invalid emendation of *Chrysis sznabli* Radoszkowski, 1891.

*Chrysis sznabli*: Rosa et al., 2013:31 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi) (Radoszkowski, 1891).

***Chrysis taczanovskii* Radoszkowsky, 1877**

*Chrysis taczanovskii* Radoszkowsky, 1877:146. Holotype ♀; Egypt (Kraków) (*taczanovskii* group).

*Chrysis taczanowskyi*: Dalla Torre, 1892:101. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Chrysis taczanovskii*: Rosa et al., 2013:32 (East-Azarbaijan); Ebrahimi, 2015:34 (East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Cyprus, South-eastern Europe, Portugal, Spain; Palestine, Syria, Türkiye; Northern Africa: Egypt (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysis taurica* Mocsáry, 1889**

*Chrysis (Tetrachrysis) taurica* Mocsáry, 1889:345. Holotype ♀; Ukraine: Crimea (Kraków) (*varidens-ragusae* group).

*Chrysis taurica*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2021:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Crimea, Cyprus, Crete, South-European Russia, Türkiye (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991; Özbek & Strumia, 2018).

**Remarks.** Strumia & Yıldırım (2009) treated *Chrysis ragusae* and *C. taurica* as separate species, which were later regarded as synonyms by Rosa et al. (2015d). The two taxa have different male genitalia according to Linsenmaier (1959a, figs. 264–265) yet recent findings of the first author do not support Linsenmaier's interpretation of the species. *C. ragusae* was listed from East Anatolia and the Mediterranean region by Özbek & Strumia (2018). Species inquirenda.

***Chrysis titanica* Rosa, sp. nov. (Figs 16C, 34A–H, 35A–G)**

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**Material examined.** Holotype ♂; IRAN, Kerman province: env. Jebel Barez Mts, 2500m, 35 km N of Balvard, env. of Shaldan village, 6.vi.2017, leg. J. Simandl (MSNM). **Paratypes:** 1♀: same data, locality and collector (PRC); 1♂, Kerman province: env. Jebel Barez Mts, 2500m, 35 km N of Balvard, env. of Shaldan village, 6.vi.2017, leg. J. Simandl (MHC); 2♂♂, 1♀, East Azerbaijan province: 10 km E Shabestar, Sis, 38°15'36"N, 45°51'36"E, 1540m; 19.vi.2010, leg. Michal Halada (MHC).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysis titanica* sp. nov. belongs to the *succincta* species group and is related to another two species known for the Middle East, *Chrysis coa* Invrea, 1939, and Caucasus, *Chrysis vinokurovi* Rosa, 2017. The male can be immediately recognised by the unique shape of its genital capsule (Figs 16C, 34A), with inner margins on gonocoxae subparallel, fully covering the aedeagus, excluding its pointed apical part, and ending with a convex upper margin and short gonostylus (*vs.* inner margins oblique, leaving the aedeagus fully exposed and with elongate gonostylus in the other two species: *C. coa* (Figs 16D), *C. vinokurovi*, see online images at [Chrysis.net](http://Chrysis.net); it can be also separated by the shape of the black spots on second tergum, which are round and clearly separate medially (Fig. 34H) (*vs.* rectangular and fully fused medially), whereas it can be separated from Iranian males of *C. coa* by the trisinate apical margin (Fig. 34G) (*vs.* continuous in *C. coa*). The female can be separated from *C. coa* by bisinate apical margin with median protrusion (Fig. 35E) (*vs.* simple, continuous, arched) and from *C. vinokurovi* for the sparse and large punctures on the metasoma (*vs.* small and dense punctures) and the colour pattern typical of *C. succincta*, with green head and mesosoma, and red scutum, and metasoma (*vs.* dark blue to black on head and mesosoma, with golden anterior margin of pronotum; with a large, median black spot on first and second tergum basally, and apical margin after pit row blackish, contrasting with the red colour of third tergum). Finally, both male and female of *C. titanica* measure 11.0 mm, being the largest species in the *succincta* group (*vs.* *C. vinokurovi* maximum length recorded = 10.0 mm and *C. coa* = 9.0 mm).



**Description.** — **Holotype** ♂ (Figs 16C, 34A–H). Body length 11.0 mm, wing length 5.5 mm (Fig. 34A).

**Head.** Brow, vertex and ocelli area with dense and small punctures (0.2–0.3× MOD); punctures sparser and larger between posterior ocellus and compound eye, with small punctures on interspaces; posterior ocelli with postero-lateral deep and elongate fovea, as long as ocellum length, appearing as two large foveae medially fused each other (Fig. 34D); transverse frontal carina with unique shape in this species-group, weakly raised, circular and embracing anterior ocellus (Fig. 34C); scapal basin deep and densely micropunctate, each puncture bearing white, long seta; scapal basin impunctate below declivitous part and along median longitudinal line; impunctate and polished on preclypeal area; malar space finely and densely punctate; genal carina sharp, fully developed from occiput to mandibular insertion; subantennal space short, 0.7× MOD; apex of clypeus straight, slightly arcuate upwards with parallel, narrow dark brown rim. Distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of scapal basin = 2.2× MOD. OOL 2.1× MOD; POL 2.0× MOD; MS 0.8× MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.9:1.0:1.0.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow as deep line, reaching half pronotal length; pronotal punctures dense, contiguous with small punctures intermixed, punctures as large as those on temples or slightly larger; punctures on mesonotum widely spaced (Fig. 34A), with polished interspaces up to 1 puncture diameter, relatively denser on lateral areas of mesoscutum; notauli formed by deep, black, sub-rectangular foveae, as large as larger punctures on mesoscutum and decreasing towards anterior margin; parapsidal signum deep and elongate; scutellum antero-medially largely polished, on average with larger punctures, distinctly spaced and small punctures on interspaces; scutellar-metanotal suture deep, formed by longitudinally elongate foveae; metanotum with larger, deeper and denser punctures; posterior propodeal projections sub-parallel, pointing downwards; mesopleuron with episternal sulcus formed by large sub-square foveae, larger than other punctures on segment, as large as two mesopleural punctures together (Fig. 34B).

**Metasoma.** First tergum with even, larger punctures on basal half, equally spaced, becoming smaller on marginal area; second tergum with large, even punctures covering almost all segment (Fig. 34G), denser antero-dorsally, with small punctures on interspaces; longitudinal median carina on second tergum weak, but visible as golden-red line (Fig. 34F); third tergum with similar punctures, pits of pit row round, black, considerably deep and large, as large as two of the larger punctures together; apical margin with three undulations and with narrow, brownish rim (Fig. 34G); spots on second sternum oval, relatively small compared to similar species, medially separated by at least 1× MOD (Fig. 34H).

**Colouration.** Body entirely green, with golden-green reflection on face and vertex, lateral areas of mesoscutum and metasoma dorsally; third tergum red, probably due to post mortem effect (whole metasoma expected to be red in nature); metasomal venter red; scape, pedicel and first flagellomere metallic green, rest of flagellum blackish; wings ambrate medially, with dark brown veins.

**Vestiture.** Head and mesosoma dorsally with short, sparse whitish setae as long as 1.0 to 1.5× MOD; legs with long (1.5× MOD), erect and whitish setae; metasoma laterally with sparse, whitish setae.

**Female** (Paratype). Body length 11.0 mm, wing length 6.2 mm (Fig. 34A, 34B).

**Head.** Brow, vertex and ocelli area with slightly larger punctures (0.3–0.4× MOD); similar punctation on temples and with elongate fovea, as long as ocellum length; transverse frontal carina weakly raised, similar to male; scapal basin deep and polished, laterally punctate, each puncture bearing short, white seta; malar space densely punctate, as clypeus laterally; genal carina sharp similar to male; subantennal space short, 0.8× MOD; apex of clypeus straight, slightly arcuate upwards with parallel, narrow dark brown rim. Distance between anterior ocellus and upper margin of scapal basin = 2.5× MOD. OOL 1.6× MOD; POL 1.8× MOD; MS 1.0× MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:1.2:0.6:0.6.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow, punctures on pronotum and mesonotum and metanotum, posterior propodeal projections and other characters as in male.

*Metasoma*. Sculpture as in male, apical margin of third tergum appearing triangulate, with two lateral blunt corners and a median protrusion apically truncate; apical margin bordered by brownish rim; spots on second large, covering  $\frac{3}{4}$  of sternum length, medially fused and with oblique margin (Fig. 35G).

*Colouration*. Female with mesoscutum golden-red to golden-greenish.

*Vestiture*. Head and mesosoma dorsally with short, sparse whitish setae as long as 1.0 to 1.5× MOD; legs with long (1.5× MOD), erect and whitish setae; metasoma laterally with sparse, whitish setae. Pubescence denser in female.

*Etymology*. The specific epithet *titanica* (feminine adjective) is related to the exceptional size of this species, reaching 11.0 mm.

*Distribution*. \*Iran (Kerman, East-Azerbaijan).

### *Chrysis transcaspica* Mocsáry, 1889

*Chrysis* (*Gonochrysis*) *transcaspica* Mocsáry, 1889:306. Holotype ♀; Transcaspia (Kraków) (*elegans* group).

*Chrysis transcaspica*: Rosa et al., 2013:32 (Iran).

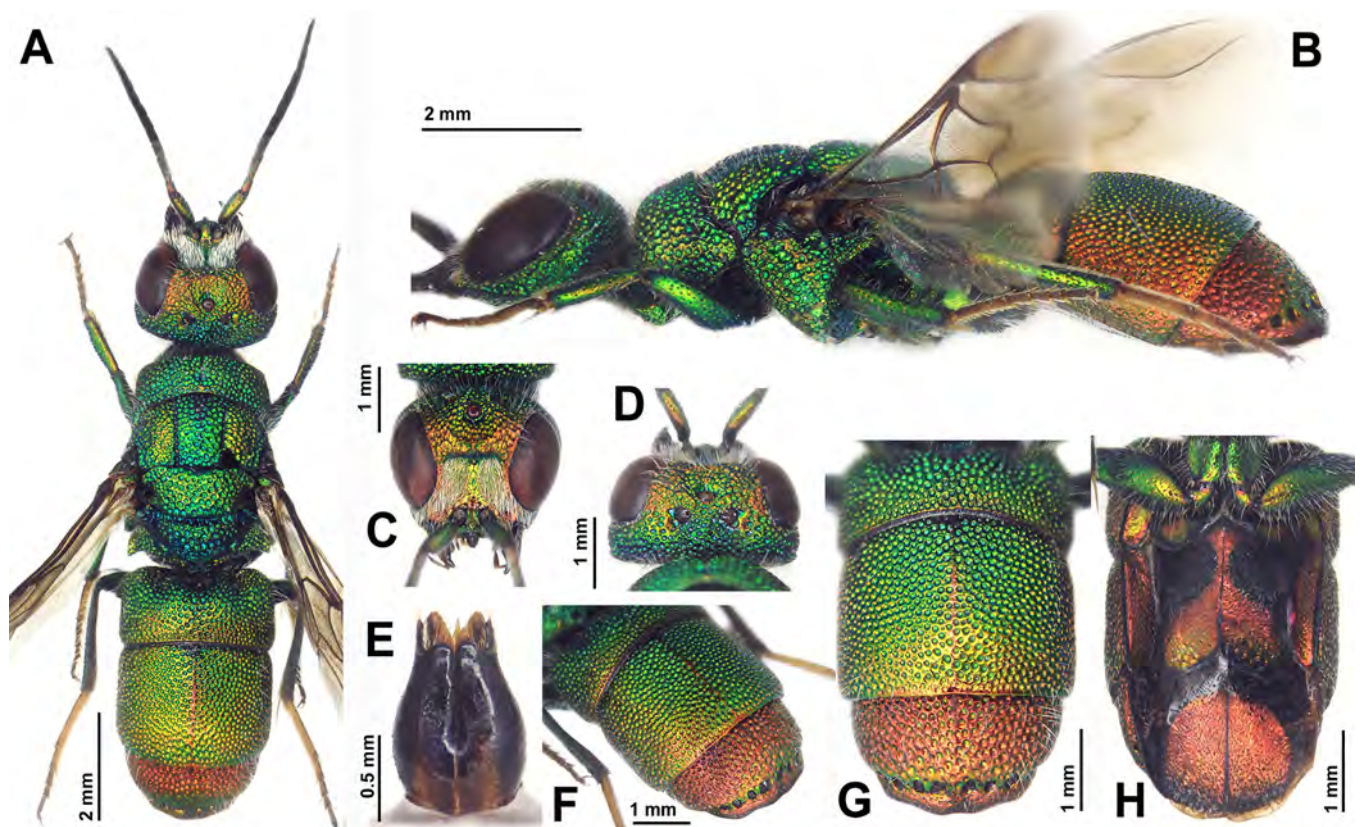
*Distribution*. Iran (without locality). Middle East, Palestine; Central Asia (Linsenmaier, 1968).

### *Chrysis turcica* (du Buysson, 1908b)

*Gonochrysis peninsularis* var. *turcica* du Buysson, 1908b:208. Holotype ♀; Türkiye (Paris) (*succincta* group).

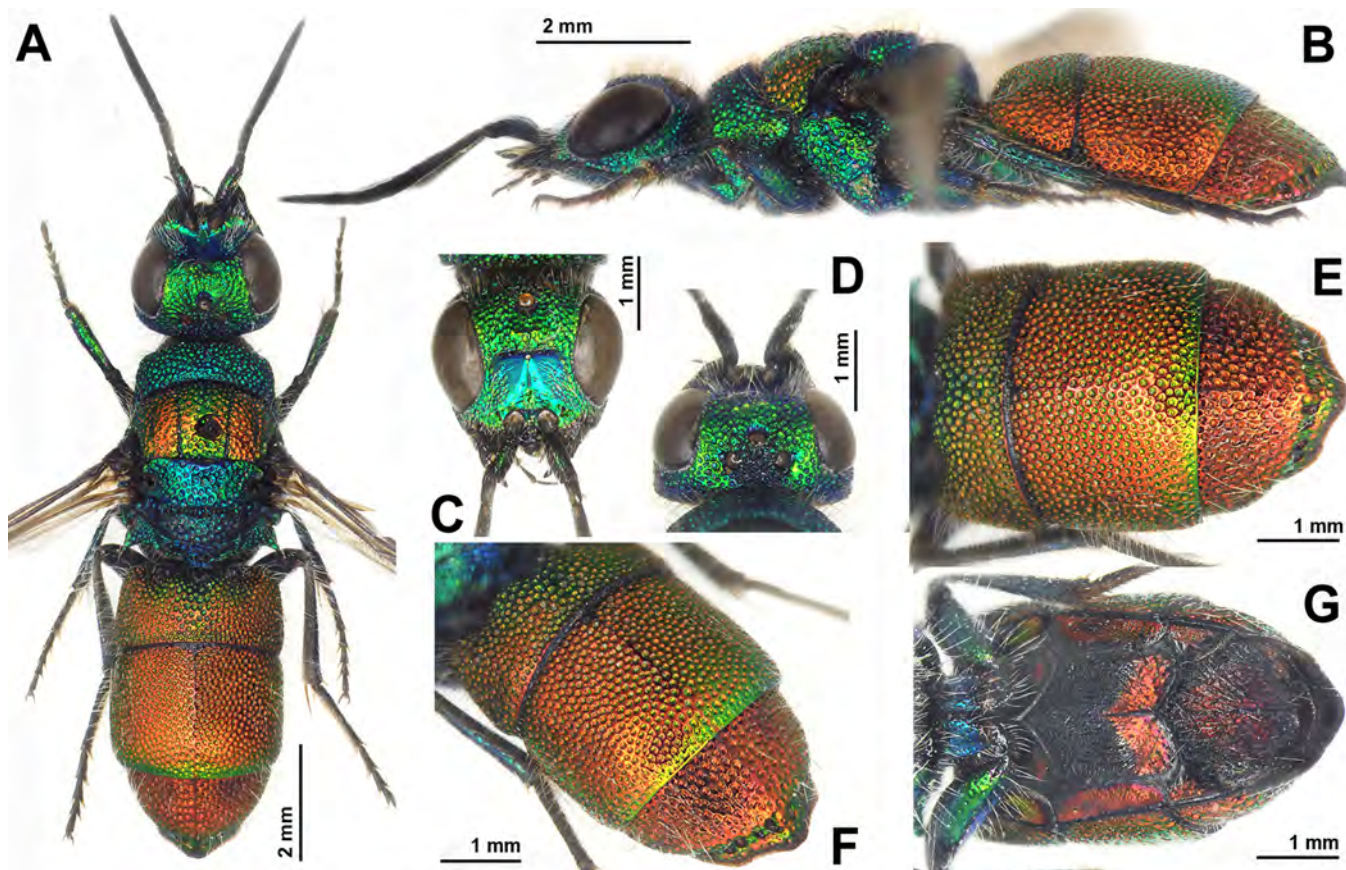
*Chrysis turcica*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:23 (Golestan).

*Distribution*. Iran (Golestan). Türkiye (du Buysson, 1908b).



**Figure 34.** *Chrysis titanica* Rosa, sp. nov., male, holotype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Habitus, lateral view; **C.** Head, frontal view; **D.** Head, dorsal view; **E.** Genital capsule, dorsal view; **F.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **G.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **H.** Metasoma, ventral view.





**Figure 35.** *Chrysis titanica* Rosa, **sp. nov.** female, holotype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Habitus, lateral view; **C.** Head, frontal view; **D.** Head, dorsal view; **E.** Metasoma, dorsal view; **F.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **G.** Metasoma, ventral view.

#### *Chrysis turcomana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954

*Chrysis* (*Glossochrysis*) *turcomana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954:117. Holotype ♂; Turkmenistan: Imam-baba (St. Petersburg) (*ehrenbergi* group).

*Chrysis turcomana*: Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:473. Lectotype designation: ♂; Turkmenistan: Imam-baba (St. Petersburg).

**Material examined.** 3♂♂, 2♀♀, Golestan province: 70 km E Minudasht, 37°15'36"N, 55°59'24"E, 1050m, 12.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Golestan). Turkmenistan (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954).

#### *Chrysis unirubra* Strumia, 2015

*Chrysis unirubra* Strumia in Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:10. Holotype ♀; Iran: Fars, 7 km West of Dasht-e-Arzhan, 2050 m, 29°38'N, 51°54'E, 04–06.v.2008, leg. D. Gianasso (Strumia private coll.) (*millenaris* group).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars).

#### *Chrysis vachali* du Buysson, 1900

*Chrysis vachali* du Buysson, 1900:140. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991; Tunisia: Sfax (Paris) (*bihamata* group).

*Chrysis vachali*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:24 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). North-western Africa: Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Chrysis verna* Dahlbom, 1854**

*Chrysis verna* Dahlbom, 1854:285. Holotype ♀; Greece: Rhodes Is. (depository unknown) (*comparata* group).  
*Chrysis verna*: Farzaneh et al., 2017:499 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). South-eastern Europe, Crimea, Caucasus, Greece, Rhodes, Palestine (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysis villosa* Rosa, 2022**

*Chrysis* (*Chrysis*) *ashabadensis*: Linsenmaier, 1968:85 nec Radoszkowski, 1891 (*elegans* group).

*Chrysis ashabadensis*: Rosa et al., 2013:16 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

*Chrysis villosa* Rosa in Boustani & Rosa, 2022:25. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Mut, 9.–13.vi.1965, leg. J. Gusenleitner (Luzern) (*elegans* group).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-Razavi). Lebanon, Türkiye.

**Remarks.** Rosa et al. (2013) listed *Chrysis ashabadensis* for Iran as a member of the *elegans* group, following Linsenmaier (1959a, 1968) interpretation. Examination of the type in Krakow (Rosa et al., 2015d) revealed that the species actually belongs to the *C. succincta* species-group and that the species identified by Linsenmaier in the *elegans* group was undescribed. This taxon was later described as *Chrysis villosa* Rosa, 2022 [in Boustani & Rosa, 2022] based on a holotype from Türkiye deposited in the Linsenmaier collection in Luzern.

***Chrysis viridissima* Klug, 1845**

*Chrysis viridissima* Klug, 1845:tav. 45 fig. 11. Holotype ♂; Egypt (Berlin) (*viridissima* group).

*Chrysis viridissima*: Rosa et al., 2013:32 (East-Azarbaijan, Khuzestan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:24 (Fars); Tavasoli & Fallahzadeh, 2015:82 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:499 (Fars); Falahatpisheh et al., 2021:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Khuzestan). Jordan, Middle East; Northern India; Northern Africa; Afrotropical region (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1999); Arabian Peninsula (Rosa et al., 2020a).

***Chrysis xanthocera* Klug, 1845**

*Chrysis xanthocera* Klug, 1845:Tab. 45, Fig. 5. Holotype ♂; Egypt (Berlin) (*comparata* group).

*Chrysis barrei* Radoszkowski, 1891:194. Holotype ♂; Iran: Sarakhs (Berlin).

*Chrysis xanthocera* var. *viridis* du Buysson, 1900:149. Holotype ♂; Iran: Tehran (Paris).

*Chrysis xanthocera*: Rosa et al., 2013:32 (Khorasan-e Razavi, Tehran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi, Tehran). Pakistan, Palestine, Central Asia; Northern Africa: Algeria, Egypt, Libya (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1994, 1999).

***Chrysis zobeida* du Buysson, 1896**

*Chrysis zobeida* du Buysson, 1896:474. Holotype ♀; Yemen: Aden (Paris) (*maculicornis* group).

*Chrysis zobeida* Rosa et al., 2013:32; Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:24 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:499 (Fars); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:300 (Kerman); Falahatpisheh et al., 2021:31 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kerman). Palestine, Türkiye, Saudi Arabia; Northern Africa: Egypt (Rosa et al., 2013); Iraq (Ebrahimi, 2015).

***Chrysis zonata cypria* du Buysson, 1898**

*Chrysis bidentata* var. *cypria* du Buysson, 1898b:555. Holotype ♂; Cyprus (Paris) (*viridula* group).

*Chrysis cypriana* Enslin, 1950:668. Unnecessary replacement name for *cypria* du Buysson, 1898.

*Chrysis pyrrhina cypria*: Rosa et al., 2013:27 (East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Cyprus, Lebanon, Palestine, and Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968).

***Chrysis zonata zonata* Dahlbom, 1854**

*Chrysis serena* Radoszkowski, 1891:194. Holotype ♂; Iran: Sarakhs (Krakow) (*viridula* group).

*Chrysis pyrrhina serena*: Rosa et al., 2013:28 (Khorasan-e Razavi); Ebrahimi, 2015:30 (Alborz).



**Material examined.** 1♂, Alborz, Karaj, 35°46'20"N, 50°56'4"E, 22.vi.2010, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC); 1♀, idem (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, Khorasan-e Razavi). Southern Russia, Palestine, Syria, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1968).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis serena* Radoszkowski was synonymised with *Chrysis zonata* Dahlbom by Rosa (2018b:170).

### Genus *Chrysura* Dahlbom, 1845

*Chrysura* Dahlbom, 1845:6. Type species: *Chrysis austriaca* Fabricius, 1804, by subsequent designation of Bodenstein, 1939:125.

*Olochrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876:27. Type species: *Chrysis aerata* Dahlbom, 1854 [= *Chrysis trimaculata* Förster, 1853)], by subsequent designation of Ashmead, 1902:226. Junior subjective synonym of *Chrysura* Dahlbom, 1845 according to Kimsey & Bohart, 1991.

### *Chrysura baccha* (Balthasar, 1953)

*Chrysis baccha* Balthasar, 1953:175. Holotype ♀; Palestine: Jerusalem (Prague) (*radians* group).

*Chrysura baccha*: Rosa et al., 2013:33 (Fars, Gilan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Gilan). Greece, Lebanon, Palestine, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968).

### *Chrysura baiocchii* Rosa, 2013

*Chrysura baiocchii* Rosa in Rosa & Lotfalizadeh, 2013:26. Holotype ♀; Iran: Fars province, 2050 m, 7 km W Dasht-e-Arzhan, 29°38'00"N, 51°54'50"E, 12.v.2010, leg. D. Baiocchi (MSNM) (*radians* group).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars).

### *Chrysura barbatula* (Linsenmaier, 1968)

*Chrysis* (*Chrysogona*) *barbatula* Linsenmaier, 1968:131. Holotype ♂; Türkiye (Luzern) (*radians* group).

*Chrysura barbatica* Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:486, unnecessary replacement name for *C. barbatula* Linsenmaier, 1968.

*Chrysura barbatula* Rosa et al., 2013:33 (East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1968).

### *Chrysura cuprea cuprea* (Rossi, 1790)

*Chrysis cuprea* Rossi, 1790:78. Syntypes, sex unknown; Italy: Tuscany (Berlin) (*cuprea* group).

*Chrysura cuprea cuprea*: Rosa, 2020:467 (Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Mazandaran). Euroasiatic, from Western Europe to Caucasus.

### *Chrysura cuprea demelti* (Linsenmaier, 1987)

*Chrysis* (*Chrysogona*) *cuprea demelti* Linsenmaier, 1987:145. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Konya, Sille (Luzern) (*cuprea* group).

*Chrysura cuprea demelti*: Rosa et al., 2013:33 (Zanjan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Zanjan). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1987).

### *Chrysura cyrenaica* (Invrea, 1924)

*Chrysis simplex* var. *cyrenaica* Invrea [in Gribodo], 1924:268. Holotype ♂; Libya: Cyrenaica (Bologna) (*austriaca* group).

*Chrysura cyrenaica*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:23 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Libya (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Chrysuria darii* (Mocsáry, 1914)**

*Chrysis* (*Holochrysis*) *Darii* Mocsáry, 1914:20. Holotype ♀ Iran: "Persia merid.-occidentalis: R. Sefid" (London) (*candens* group).

*Chrysuria darii*: Rosa et al., 2013:33; Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:24 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars).

***Chrysuria desertorum* (du Buysson, 1887)**

*Chrysis desertorum* du Buysson, 1887:175. Lectotype ♂ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:488; Palestine: Ramle (Paris) (*radians* group).

*Chrysuria desertorum*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:24 (Khorasan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan).

***Chrysuria desidiosa* (du Buysson, 1891)**

*Chrysis desidiosa* du Buysson, 1891:280. Holotype ♀; Caucasus (Paris) (*radians* group).

*Chrysuria desidiosa*: Rosa et al., 2013 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Caucasus; Central Asia (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

***Chrysuria erigone* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Chrysis erigone* Mocsáry, 1889:239. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Bohart & French 1986:341; Caucasus (Budapest) (*radians* group).

*Chrysuria erigone*: Rosa et al., 2013:33 (Fars); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:25 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Caucasus, Cyprus, Palestine, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968).

***Chrysuria filidichroa* Rosa & Baiocchi, sp. nov. (Figs 16F, 16G, 36A–F, 37A–F)**

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**Material examined.** **Holotype** ♂; IRAN, Kohgiluyeh and Buyer Ahmad province: Sisaht env., 2400m, Dena Nat. Reserve, 30°52'46"N, 51°25'12"E, 14.–16.v.2013, leg. D. Baiocchi (MSNM). **Paratypes:** 1♂, same locality and dates of holotype (PRC); 7♀♀, Kerman province: S of Deh Bakri, 29°01'08"N, 57°56'09"E, 26.–27.v.2012, leg. D. Baiocchi (DBC, PRC); 1♀, (Fārs) W Sarvestān, (40 Km NW Fasā) 1860m, Kūh-e Mian Jangal, 29°10'12"N, 53°22'50"E, 7.V.2016 D.Baiocchi leg. (DBC); 2♂♂, (SSE Yasuj) 2390m, (Būyer Ahmad-o-Kūhgīlūye), NE of Malashoreh pass, 30°29'24"N, 51°39'29"E, 10–13.V.2016 Baiocchi leg. (DBC); 9♂♂, Fars province: 20 km SE of Yasuj, 30°29'24"N, 51°39'28.8"E, 2390m, 4.v.2016, leg.M.Kafka (MHC); 1♂, 2♀♀, Fars province: S of Dasht Arjan, 29°33'7.2"N, 51°56'31.2"E, 2050m, 4.v.2016, leg. M. Kafka (MHC); 1♀, Fars province: 50km W of Shiraz, 12km S Dasht Arjan, 29°33'25.2"N, 51°56'45.6"E, 2250m, 15.v.2019, leg. O. Šauša (MHC).

**Diagnosis.** *Chrysuria filidichroa* sp. nov. belongs to the *dichroa* group for: typical habitus, male antennae gibbous ventrally, and shape of genital capsule. The only species similar to *C. filidichroa* sp. nov. is *C. izadiae* Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2016, but the male of *C. filidichroa* can be easily separated by the unique shape of genital capsule (Figs 16F, 16G), with upper part of gonocoxa with straight transverse margin and wide apex; this shape of the the genital capsule separates *C. filidichroa* also from other species in the group (compare images of genital capsules in Arens, 2001 and Strumia et al., 2016a); it is also separated from *C. izadiae* by the shape of propodeum with parallel sides (*vs.* concave laterally, with prominent humeral angles in *C. izadiae*); habitus narrow and elongate (*vs.* unmodified in *C. izadiae*); apical margin of third tergum continuous (*vs.* slightly concave). Comparison with the female of *C. izadiae* is not appropriate, because we consider the sex association proposed by Strumia et al. (2016a) unreliable, being the female closely related to other species of the *dichroa* group with body colour altered post mortem; moreover, the unmodified pronotum and the general habitus do not fit the description of the holotype male. *C. filidichroa* sp. nov. male and female can be separated from all the other species species of the *dichroa* group by body green colour, replacing the typical red one in members of this group; slender habitus (Figs 36A, 37A), and elongate malar spaces (2× MOD).



**Description.** — **Holotype** ♂ (Figs 16F, 16G, 36A–F). Body length 6.5 mm (paratypes 5.5–7.5 mm), anterior wing length 3.5 mm (Fig. 36A). Green, golden-green to golden-red.

**Head.** Brow, ocellar area and vertex with dense, contiguous and small punctures ( $0.2\text{--}0.4\times$  MOD) continuing between scapal basin and eye and on malar space; punctures spaced between posterior ocelli and compound eye and on temples; posterior ocellus with lateral narrow fovea as long as ocellus; face typically flat; scapal basin with small, spaced punctures medially becoming denser and deeper laterally (Fig. 36B); genal carina sharp, from mid eye to mandibular insertion; subantennal space  $1.0\times$  MOD; apex of clypeus bordered by wide ( $0.6\times$  MOD long) dark brown rim. Clypeus punctate, with punctures similar to those on scapal basin medially. Distance between anterior ocellus and clypeus =  $5.7\times$  MOD. OOL  $1.6\times$  MOD; POL  $1.7\times$  MOD; MS  $2.0\times$  MOD; relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:2.0:1.0:0.9.

**Mesosoma.** Medial pronotal furrow relatively wide and shallow (Fig. 36C), reaching half pronotal length; pronotum with small to medium sized punctures ( $0.2\text{--}0.5\times$  MOD), irregularly shaped, contiguous and with dots in between; punctation on mesoscutum similar, without interspaces; on scutellum shallower, with some polished interspaces between punctures; notauli formed by relatively shallow, metallic, sub-rectangular foveae, narrow, as long as larger punctures on mesonotum, but as wide as the smallest; parapsidal signum deep and distinct; scutellar-metanotal suture formed by shallow, irregular punctures, with large, shallow median fovea; metanotum with deep and contiguous punctures; posterior propodeal projections slightly divergent and concave at sides; mesopleuron with episternal sulcus formed by relatively small, shallow, transversal foveae, larger than other punctures on segment (Fig. 36D).

**Metasoma.** First tergum with even, small sized punctures, equally spaced; smaller and denser dorsally, at sides of median line, which is formed by rows of small dots (Fig. 36E); punctures laterally with larger interspaces; on second tergum with similar punctures, denser antero-dorsally, and becoming smaller and sparser towards apical margin; longitudinal median carina faint; third tergum with small, even punctures; pits of pit row small, shallow, black, only slightly larger than other punctures on tergum; apical margin continuous, bordered by a thin hyaline rim; black spots on second sternum relatively large, subrectangular, covering less half of sternum length, medially separated by  $2\times$  MOD; spot margin straight (Fig. 36F).

**Female** (Paratype). Body length 6.5–6.8 mm, anterior wing length 3.6 mm (Fig. 37A).

**Head.** Colour pattern, vestiture and sculpture as in male, less punctate on scapal basin; structure as in male for clypeus, mandibles, malar space ( $2\times$  MOD), subantennal space, relative length of P:F1:F2:F3 = 1.0:2.0:1.0:0.8, and pilosity; however, female head is different for larger distance between anterior ocellus and clypeus ( $5.7\times$  MOD), OOL  $1.7\times$  MOD, POL =  $1.9\times$  MOD, and general aspect narrower and elongate (Fig. 37A) with  $l/w = 0.85$  vs.  $l/w = 0.77$  in male.

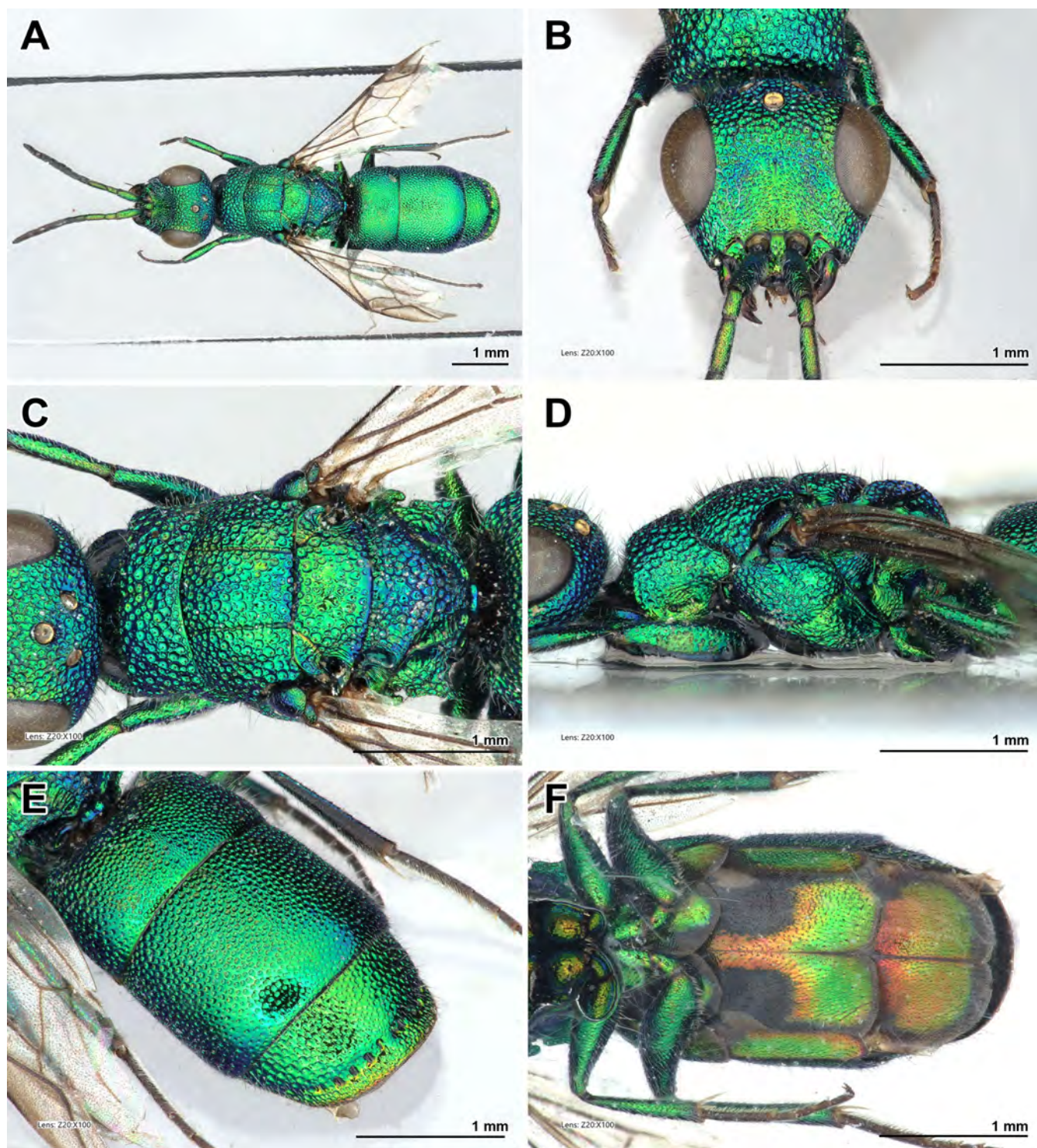
**Mesosoma and metasoma** Colour pattern, vestiture and sculpture as in male.

**Colouration.** Male and female with body light green, green-blue to bluish on metanotum and metapostnotum; mandible basally, scape, pedicel, first and second flagellum metallic, the rest of flagellum blackish; tegulae green metallic; wings hyaline, with brown veins.

**Vestiture.** Head and mesosoma dorsally with short ( $1.0$  to  $1.5\times$  MOD), whitish setae; on metasoma dorsally with shorter setae, laterally with longer ( $1.5$  to  $2.0\times$  MOD), erect and white setae; legs with short ( $1\times$  MOD), erect setae on outer side.

**Etymology.** The specific epithet *filidichroa* derives from Latin *filus* (thread) and *dichroa*, the species-group to which the taxon belongs to. It is related to the slender habitus of this species, similar to the slender body of *Chrysura filiformis* (Mocsáry, 1889), which is a species distinctly smaller (4–5 mm), with the typical body colour pattern of *C. dichroa*.

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Fars, Kerman, Kohgiluyeh and Buyer Ahmad).



**Figure 36.** *Chrysura filidichroa* Rosa & Baiocchi, sp. nov., male, holotype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Head and mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

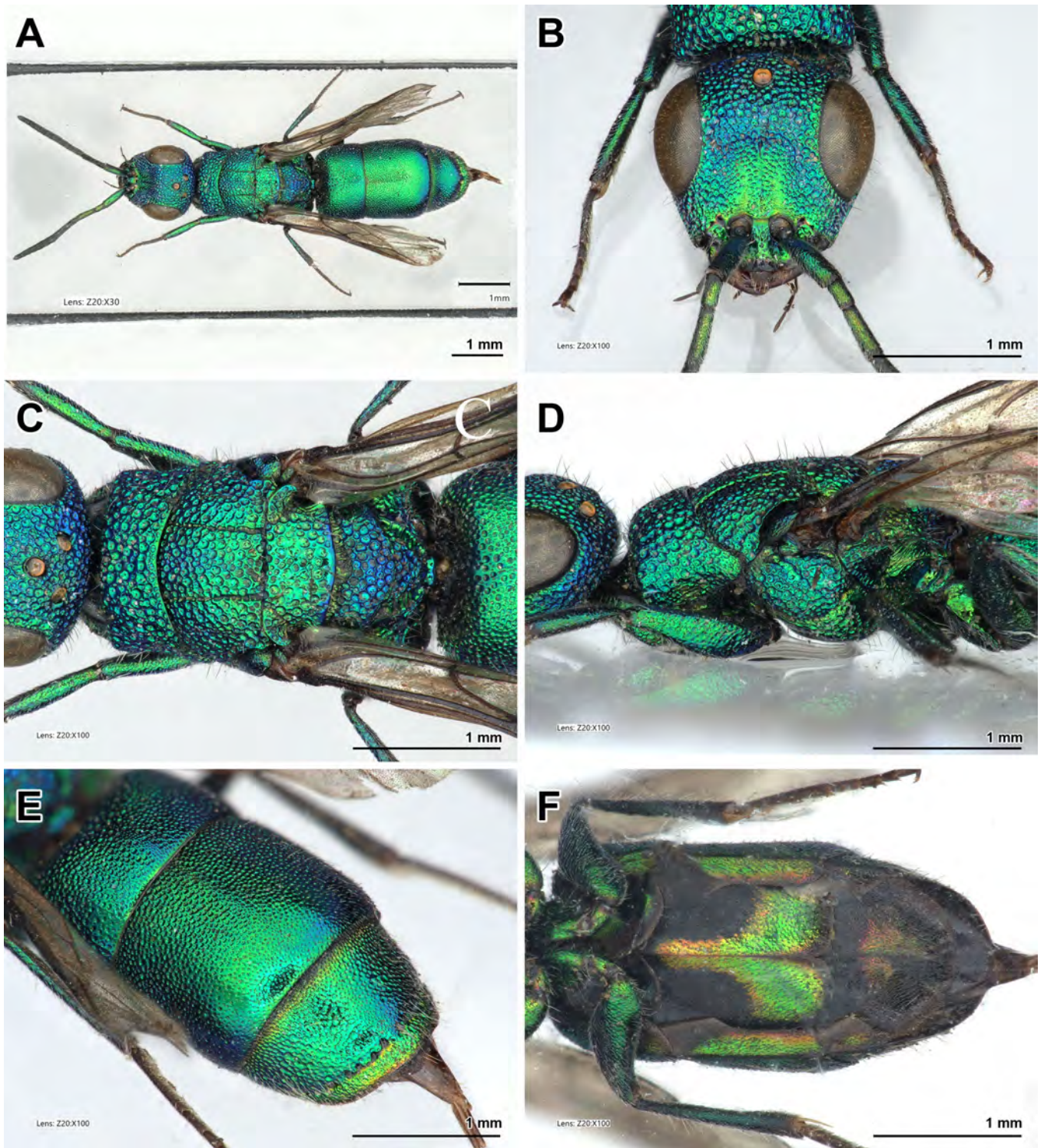
***Chrysura filiformis* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Chrysis* (*Olochrysis*) *filiformis* Mocsáry, 1889:266. Lectotype ♂ designated by Móczár, 1965:168; Croatia [not Hungary]: Fiume [currently Rijeka] (Budapest) (*dichroa* group).

*Chrysura filiformis*: Rosa et al., 2013:34 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Central and South-east Europe, Caucasus and Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).





**Figure 37.** *Chrysura filidichroa* Rosa & Baiocchi, **sp. nov.**, female, paratype. **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Head and mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Chrysura foetiana* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

*Chrysis* (*Holochrysis*) *foetiana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:147. Holotype ♂; Turkmenistan: Ashkabad (St. Petersburg) (*radians* group).

*Chrysura foetiana*: Rosa et al., 2013:34 (Fars, Kordestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Kordestan). Central Asia: Turkmenistan (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967).

***Chrysura genalis* (Mocsáry, 1887)**

*Chrysis foveata* Radoszkowski, 1877:13, *nom. praeocc., nec* Dahlbom, 1845. Syntypes ♂, ♀ [not holotype]; Uzbekistan: Zarafshan valley (Moscow, Kraków) (*radians* group).

*Chrysis genalis* Mocsáry, 1887:14. Replacement name for *Chrysis foveata* Radoszkowski, 1877, *nec* Dahlbom, 1845.  
*Chrysura genalis*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:25 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Türkiye; Central Asia (Radoszkowski, 1877, Linsenmaier, 1968).

***Chrysura ignifrons* (Brullé, 1833)**

*Chrysis ignifrons* Brullé, 1833:375. Holotype ♂ [not ♀]; Greece: Peloponnese (Paris) (*austriaca* group).

*Chrysura ignifrons*: Rosa, 2020:467 (Khorasan-e Razavi), 473 (fig. 8).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi). West-Palaearctic, from Southern Europe to the Caucasus and Middle East; Central Asia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** *Chrysura ignifrons* (Brullé) was listed by Trautmann (1927) for Persia, yet later considered as a doubtful identification by Rosa et al. (2013), because the citation could be also referable both to *Chrysura smaragdina* (Trautmann, 1926) or *Chrysura anatolica* (Trautmann, 1926), both known from the Middle East.

***Chrysura izadiae* Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2016**

*Chrysura izadiae* Strumia & Fallahzadeh [in Strumia et al.], 2016a:282. Holotype ♂; Iran: Fars Province, Kherameh, 29°30'51"N, 53°18'40"E, 27.iv.2013; leg. E. Izadi (Pisa) (*dichroa* group).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars).

***Chrysura judith* (Balthasar, 1953)**

*Chrysis judith* Balthasar, 1953:192. Holotype ♂; Palestine: Jerusalem (Prague) (*radians* group).

*Chrysura judith*: Rosa et al., 2013:34 (Tehran).

*Chrysura rhodia*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:25 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kerman, Tehran). Southern Europe, Palestine, Rhodes, Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysura laconiae* (Arens, 2001)**

*Chrysis laconiae* Arens, 2001:1163. Holotype ♂; Greece: Peloponnese, Amyklai, Sparta, 4.iv.2000, leg. W. Arens (Arens' private collection) (*dichroa* group).

*Chrysura laconiae*: Rosa et al., 2013:34 (Kuhgiloye & Boyerahmad).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kuhgiloye & Boyerahmad). Greece, Türkiye (Arens, 2001, 2002).

***Chrysura laevigata* (Abeille de Perrin, 1879)**

*Chrysis laevigata* Abeille de Perrin, 1879:81. Syntypes ♀♀; Russia, Caucasus (Paris) (*dichroa* group).

*Chrysis laevigata auctorum*. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Chrysura laevigata*: Rosa et al., 2013:35 (East-Azarbaijan, Golestan, Qazvin, Tehran); Samin et al., 2014:122 (Gilan); Ebrahimi, 2015:38 (Khorasan-e Razavi); Farzaneh et al., 2017:499 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Golestan, Gilan, Khorasan-e Razavi, Qazvin, Tehran). West-Palaearctic, from Europe to the Caucasus and the Middle East; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

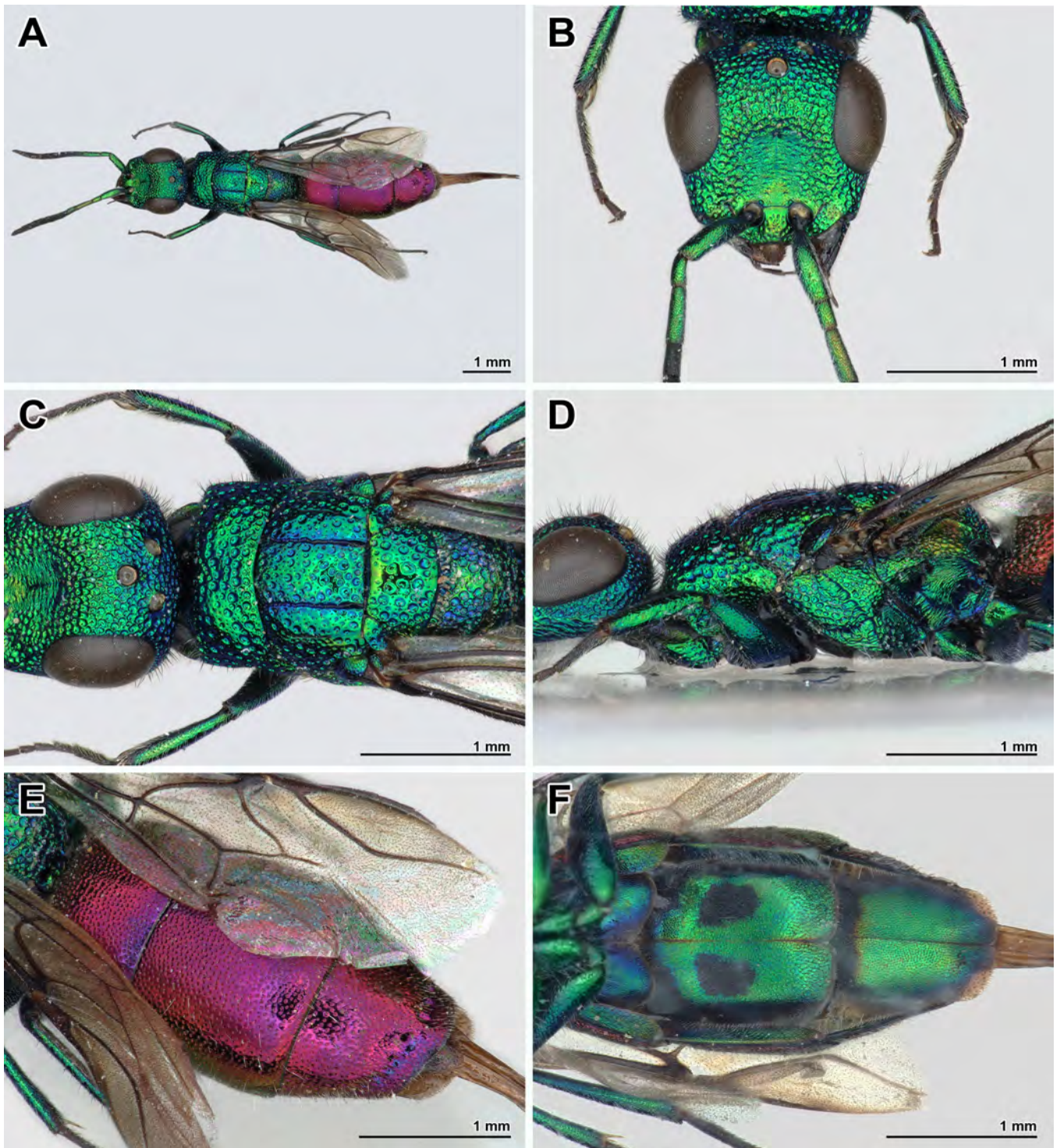
***Chrysura laodamia laodamia* (du Buysson, 1900) (Fig 38A-F)**

*Chrysis laodamia* du Buysson, 1900:135. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:492; Lebanon: Brumana (Oxford) (*austriaca* group).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Fars province: 50km W of Shiraz, 12 km S of Dasht Arjan, 29°33'25.2"N, 51°56'45.6"E, 2250m, 15.v.2019, leg. O. Šauša (MHC); 1♀, Kuhgiloye and Buyer Ahmad: Sisahkt, Dena Nat. Reserve, 30°52'26"N, 51°25'12"E, 2400m, 14.-16.v.2013, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Fars, Kuhgiloye and Buyer Ahmad). Lebanon, Middle East (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).





**Figure 38.** *Chrysura laodamia* (du Buysson, 1900). **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Chrysura leonidae* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

*Chrysis* (*Holochrysis*) *leonidae* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:151. Holotype ♀; Iran: Gilan: Tash (St. Petersburg) (*radians* group [not *austriaca* group]).

*Chrysura loenidae*: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:492. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Chrysura leonidae*: Rosa et al., 2013:35 (Gilan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Gilan).

***Chrysura ludmila* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

*Chrysis ludmila* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:155. Holotype ♀; Iran: Luristan, Kale-Tol (St. Petersburg) (*radians* group).

*Chrysura ludmilla*: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:492. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Chrysura ludmila*: Rosa et al., 2013:35 (Lorestan).

**Remarks.** The type locality (Kale-Tol= Qal'eh-ye Tol) is now located in Khuzestan province.

**Distribution.** Iran (Khuzestan).

***Chrysura lydiae* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Chrysis* (*Olochrysis*) *lydiae* Mocsáry, 1889:268. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Bursa prov.: Brussa [= Bursa] (Budapest) (*dichroa* group).

*Chrysura lydiae*: Rosa et al., 2013:35 (Qazvin); Ebrahimi, 2015:39 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi, Qazvin). South-western Europe, Caucasus, Palestine, Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysura nikolaji* (Rosa, 2017)**

*Chrysis* (*Holochrysis*) *medea* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:148, *nom. praeocc., nec* Balthasar, 1953. Holotype ♂; Georgia: Mt. Pitsunda (St. Petersburg) (*radians* group).

*Chrysis nikolaji* Rosa in Rosa et al., 2017a:38. Replacement name for *Chrysis medea* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967, *nec* Balthasar, 1953.

*Chrysura nikolaji*: Rosa, 2020:467 (Mazandaran), 474 (fig. 9).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Mazandaran province: 15 km S Alamdeh, 7.vi.2014, leg. J. Halada (MHC); 3♂♂, Golestan province: 60 km NEE Minudasht, 37°19'58.8"N, 56°01'1.2"E, 1280m, 26.v.2007, leg. O. Šauša (MHC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan, Mazandaran). Caucasus (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysura pruna* (Gribodo, 1879)**

*Chrysis pruna* Gribodo, 1879:337. Lectotype ♂ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:494; Algeria (Genoa) (*dichroa* group).

*Chrysura pruna*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:26 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kerman). Palestine; Northern Africa: Algeria, Libya (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Chrysura pseudodichroa* (Linsenmaier, 1959)**

*Chrysis* (*Chrysozona*) *pseudodichroa* Linsenmaier, 1959a:86. Holotype ♂; Cyprus (Luzern) (*dichroa* group).

*Chrysura pseudodichroa*: Rosa et al., 2013:35 (Fars); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:26 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). West-Palaeartic: Mediterranean countries, Türkiye, Middle East; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysura pseudohybrida* (Linsenmaier, 1999)**

*Chrysis* (*Chrysis*) *pseudohybrida* Linsenmaier, 1999:124. Holotype ♀; Tunisia: Kairouan, 1.v.1978, leg. J. Gusenleitner (Luzern) (*austriaca* group).

*Chrysura pseudohybrida*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:26 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Tunisia, Libya (Linsenmaier, 1999).

***Chrysura purpureifrons* (Abeille de Perrin, 1878)**

*Chrysis purpureifrons* Abeille de Perrin, 1878:4. Syntypes ♂♂ [not holotype]; France (Paris) (*dichroa* group).

*Chrysura purpureifrons*: Rosa et al., 2013:36 (Atrek river).

**Distribution.** Iran (without precise locality, likely in the North Khorasan province). Palaeartic, from Southern Europe to Türkiye; Central Asia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).



***Chrysura pyrogaster pyrogaster* (Brullé, 1833)**

*Chrysis pyrogaster* Brullé, 1833:374. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:494; Greece: Peloponnese (Paris) (*austriaca* group).

*Chrysura pyrogaster*: Rosa et al., 2013:36 (East-Azarbaijan, West-Azarbaijan); Rosa, 2020:468 (Golestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Golestan, West-Azarbaijan). South-eastern Europe, Caucasus, Türkiye, Middle East (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysura pyrogaster turca* (Linsenmaier, 1997)**

*Chrysis (Chrysogona) pyrogaster* ssp. *turca* Linsenmaier, 1997:272. Holotype ♂; Türkiye: Konya, Madensehir, 1300 m, 22.vi.1984, leg. Warncke (Luzern) (*austriaca* group).

*Chrysura pyrogaster turca*: Rosa et al., 2013:36 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1997).

***Chrysura radians* (Harris, 1776)**

*Chrysis radians* Harris, 1776:69. Neotype ♀ designated by Rosa et al., 2020b:112.; England: Kent, Halling, 8.vii.1971, leg. K.M. Guichard (London) (*radians* group).

*Chrysura radians*: Ebrahimi, 2015:40 (Qazvin).

**Distribution.** Iran (Qazvin). Palaearctic, from Western Europe to Siberia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysura simulidichroa* (Linsenmaier, 1969)**

*Chrysis simulidichroa* Linsenmaier, 1969:375. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Urfa (Budapest); Linsenmaier, 1987:145 (*dichroa* group).

*Chrysura simulidichroa*: Rosa et al., 2013:36 (Iran, without locality); Rosa, 2020:468 (Tehran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Tehran). Cyprus, Palestine, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1969, 1987).

***Chrysura smaragdina* (Trautmann, 1926)**

*Holochrysis ignifrons* var. *smaragdina* Trautmann, 1926:8. Lectotype ♀ designated by Bohart in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:491; Syria (Berlin) (*austriaca* group).

*Chrysura smaragdina*: Rosa et al., 2013:36 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Syria, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1968).

***Chrysura sulcata* Dahlbom, 1845**

*Chrysura sulcata* Dahlbom, 1845:7 [not *Chrysis*]. Lectotype ♀ designated by Rosa & Vårdal, 2015:112; Greece: Rhodes Is. (Stockholm) (*radians* group).

*Chrysura sulcata*: Rosa et al., 2013:37 (Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:500 (Fars). Rosa, 2020:468 (North Khorasan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, North Khorasan). Southern Europe, Caucasus, Cyprus, Palestine, Rhodes, Türkiye (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Chrysura varicornis* (Spinola, 1838)**

*Chrysis varicornis* Spinola, 1838:449. Holotype ♂; Egypt (Turin) (*radians* group).

*Chrysura varicornis*: Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:26 (Fars, Khorasan); Farzaneh et al., 2017:500 (Fars); Rosa, 2020:468 (North Khorasan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, North Khorasan). West-Palaearctic, from Southern Europe to Türkiye and the Middle East; Central Asia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Genus *Euchroeus* Latreille, 1809**

*Euchroeus* Latreille, 1809:49. Type species: *Chrysis purpurata* Fabricius, 1787 [= *Euchroeus purpuratus* (Fabricius, 1787)], by monotypy.

***Euchroeus eous* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912)**

*Pseudochrysis eoa* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912:186. Holotype ♀; Iran: Mekran [= Makran in Sistan & Baluchestan], Kutshe, Kambil, 8–9.iii.1891, N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg).

*Euchroeus eous*: Rosa et al., 2013:37 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan). Central Asia: Turkmenistan (Rosa et al., 2013); one subspecies in Saudi Arabia (Linsenmaier, 1994).

***Euchroeus moricei zarudnianus* (Semenov-Tian-Shansky, 1910)**

*Pseudochrysis* (*Euchroeus*) *zarudniana* Semenov-Tian-Shansky, 1910:216. Holotype ♂; Iran: Khorasan: Atkul to lake Nemeksar, 22.iv.1898, leg. N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg).

*Euchroeus zarudnianus*: Rosa et al., 2013:37 (Khorasan).

*Euchroeus moricei bytinskii* Linsenmaier, 1969:374; Ebrahimi, 2015:42 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

*Euchroeus moricei zarudnianus*: Rosa et al., 2017a:62.

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan, South Khorasan). Palestine, United Arab Emirates; the typical form is distributed in Northern Africa from Algeria to Egypt (Linsenmaier, 1999; Rosa et al., 2020a).

***Euchroeus pellucidus* (Radoszkowski, 1877) (Fig. 39A–F)**

*Brugmoia pellucida* Radoszkowski, 1877:26. Lectotype ♀ designated by Rosa et al., 2015d:5; Kazakhstan: Kyzyl-kum (Moscow).

**Material examined.** 1♂, 40 km NW of Paskuh, 29.iii.1973, Locality n°139, Exp. Nat. Mus. Praha (NHMP).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan). Egypt; Central Asia (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

***Euchroeus rugulosus* (Mocsáry, 1909)**

*Chrysis* (*Euchroeus*) *rugulosa* Mocsáry, 1909:8. Lectotype ♂ designated by Kimsey, 1986:106; Kazakhstan: Djulek (Budapest). *Brugmoia rugulae* Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:296. Unnecessary replacement name for *Chrysis* (*Euchroeus*) *rugulosa* Mocsáry, 1909.

*Euchroeus rugulosus*: Ebrahimi, 2015:43 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan). Russia; Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Euchroeus singularis* (Spinola, 1838)**

*Chrysis singularis* Spinola, 1838:452. Holotype ♀; Egypt (Turin).

*Pseudochrysis virgo* Semenov, 1891:441. Holotype ♂; Turkmenistan: Dort-Kuju oasis; Merv (St. Petersburg).

*Euchroeus singularis*: Rosa et al., 2013:37 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kerman). Palestine; Central Asia: Turkmenistan; Northern Africa: Egypt (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

***Euchroeus vesperus* (Semenov-Tian-Shansky, 1910)**

*Pseudochrysis vespera* Semenov-Tian-Shansky, 1910:214. Lectotype ♀ designated by Kimsey, 1986:109; Iran: Khorasan province, Turbet-i-heidari and Feizabad, 8–11.iv.1898, N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg).

*Euchroeus vesperus*: Rosa et al., 2013:37 (Khorasan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Genus *Morphochrysis* Rosa & Pavesi, 2023**

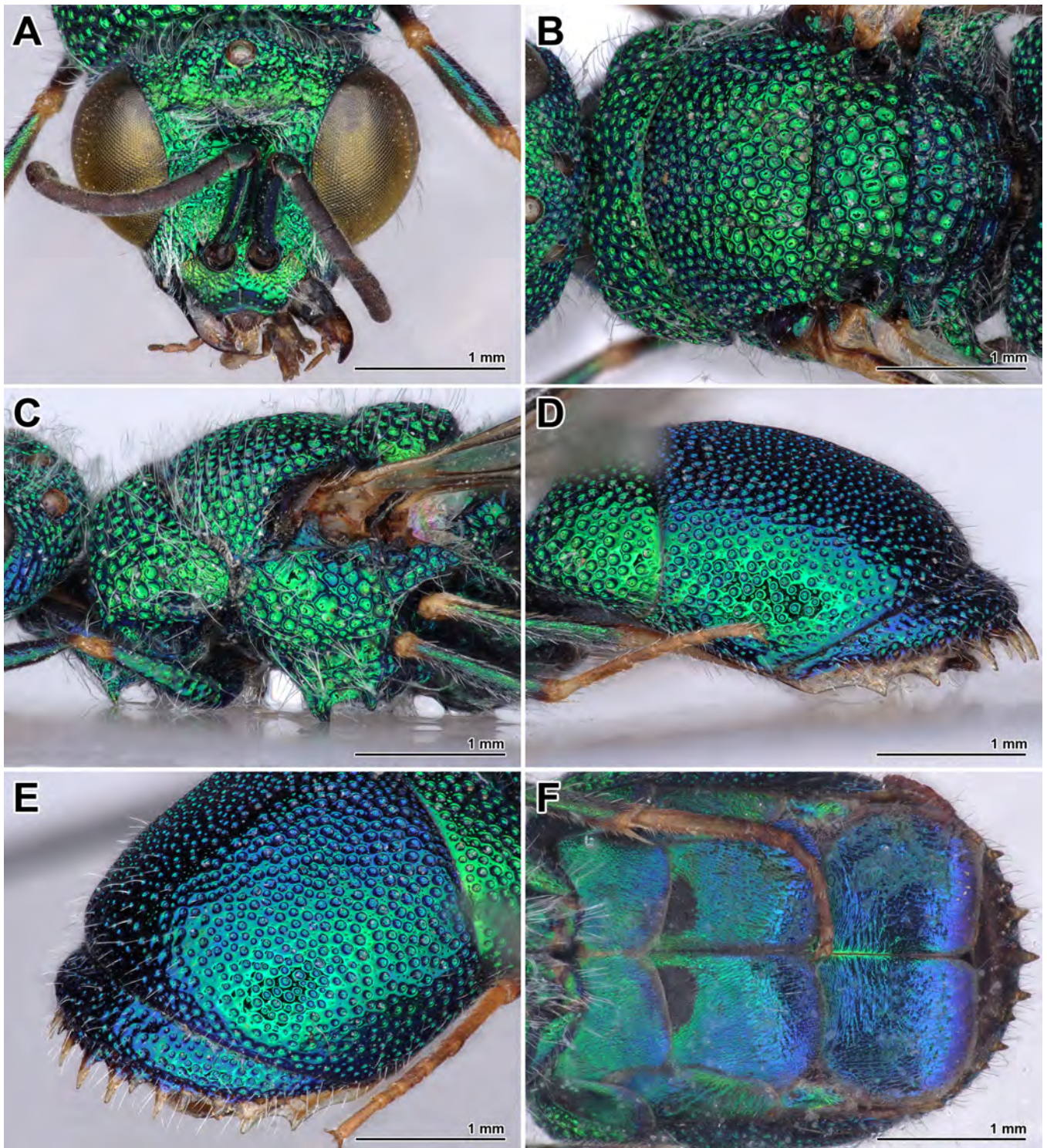
*Morphochrysis* Rosa & Pavesi [Rosa et al.], 2023a:31. Type species: *Chrysis pulchella* Spinola, 1808 by original designation.

***Morphochrysis gamberoonensis* (Farhad, Rosa & Talebi, 2019)**

*Chrysis gamberoonensis* Farhad, Rosa & Talebi in Farhad et al., 2019:1006 (key, fig. 1), 1007 (descr.). Holotype ♀; Iran: Hormozgan province, Bandar Abbas, Geno, 27°24'16"N, 56°08'51"E, 23.viii.2011, leg. A. Ameri (Tehran) (*pulchella* group).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan).





**Figure 39.** *Euchroeus pellucidus* (Radoszkowski, 1877). **A.** Head, frontal view; **B.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **C.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **D.** Metasoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, ventral view.

***Morphochrysis personata* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

*Chrysis* (*Gonodontochrysis*) *pulchella* ssp. *personata* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:158. Holotype ♂; Iran [not Iraq]: Rizaabad (St. Petersburg) (*pulchella* group).

*Chrysis personata*: Rosa et al., 2017a:46 (Qazvin - Rizaabad); Farhad et al., 2019:1007 (key, Qazvin).

**Distribution.** Iran (Qazvin). Central Asia (Rosa et al., 2017a).



***Morphochrysis pulchella* (Spinola, 1808)**

*Chrysis pulchella* Spinola, 1808:28. Lectotype ♂ designated by Rosa & Xu, 2015:33; Italy: Liguria (Turin) (*pulchella* group).

*Chrysis pulchella*: Rosa et al., 2013:27 (Ardabil); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:22 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2019:1007 (key, Ardabil).

**Distribution.** Iran (Ardabil, Fars). Central and Southern Europe, Türkiye, Iraq; Central Asia: Kazakhstan (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Genus *Pentachrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876**

*Pentachrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876:227. Type species: *Chrysis amoena* Eversmann, 1857, by subsequent designation of Ashmead, 1902:226.

***Pentachrysis amoena* (Eversmann, 1858)**

*Chrysis amoena* Eversmann, 1858:562. Holotype ♀; Russia: "campis transuralensibus" (Kraków) (*amoena* group).

*Pentachrysis amoena*: Torabipour et al., 2013b:86 (Sistan & Baluchestan); Ebrahimi, 2015:44 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan). From Eastern Europe to the Caucasus; Central Asia and Mongolia (Linsenmaier, 1959a). Cited for Siberia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Pentachrysis inaequalis* (Dahlbom, 1845)**

*Chrysis inaequalis* Dahlbom, 1845:8. Neotype ♂ designated by Rosa & Vårdal, 2015:124; Switzerland: Roveredo, 28.viii.1948, leg. W. Linsenmaier (Luzern) (*inaequalis* group).

*Chrysis inaequalis*: Rosa et al., 2013:22 (West-Azarbaijan, Tehran); Rosa, 2020:466 (Fars, Kerman, Tehran).

**Distribution.** Iran (West-Azarbaijan, Tehran). Euroasiatic, from Western Europe to Central Asia and China (Rosa et al., 2014).

**Remarks.** Linsenmaier (1959a) correctly placed the *inaequalis* group in the subgenus *Pentachrysis* Lichtenstein. Kimsey & Bohart (1991) elevated *Pentachrysis* to genus rank but included the *inaequalis* group in the genus *Chrysis* Linnaeus, 1761. Molecular analyses (Pauli et al., 2019) proved that members of the *inaequalis* group are related to *Pentachrysis*, thus confirming Linsenmaier (1959a) intuition.

***Pentachrysis poetica* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954)**

*Chrysis inaequalis* var. *caucasica* Mocsáry, 1889:484, *nom. praeocc., nec* Radoszkowski, 1876. Holotype ♂; Azerbaijan: Helenendorf [= Goygol] (Berlin) (*inaequalis* group).

*Chrysis inaequalis* var. *poetica* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954:131. Replacement name for *Chrysis inaequalis* var. *caucasica* Mocsáry, 1889, *nec* Radoszkowski, 1876.

*Chrysis inaequalis* Dahlbom, 1845:8; Farzaneh et al., 2017:498 (Fars); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:299 (Kerman).

*Chrysis inaequalis sapphirina*: Ebrahimi, 2015:28 (Ardabil); Farzaneh et al., 2017:498 (Fars).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Qazvin, Zereshek, 36°25'23"N, 50°06'37"E, 6.vii.2011, leg. M. Khayrandish (TMUC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Ardabil, Fars, Kerman, Qazvin, Tehran). Central and Southern Europe, Türkiye; Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan (Rosa, 2018a).

**Remarks.** *Chrysis poetica* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij was reinstated and upgraded to species rank by Rosa (2018a). In Farzaneh et al. (2017), the male was identified as *Chrysis inaequalis sapphirina* for the bluish color of the first tergum, and the female collected in the same locality as *Chrysis inaequalis inaequalis*; male and female of *Chrysis poetica* are known to be chromatically dimorphic (Rosa, 2018a).

***Pentachrysis seminigra* (Walker, 1871)**

*Chrysis seminigra* Walker, 1871:71. Type series unknown. Egypt: Wadi Ferran [Sinai: Wadi Feiran] (depository unknown).

*Pentachrysis seminigra*: Torabipour et al., 2013b:86 (Alborz); Ebrahimi, 2015:45 (Alborz)

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz). Middle East, Pakistan; Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1968, 1994).



### Genus *Pseudochrysis* Semenow, 1891

*Pseudochrysis* Semenow, 1891:444. Type species: *Chrysura humboldti* Dahlbom, 1845, by subsequent designation of Semenow, 1892b:485.

*Pseudospinolia* Linsenmaier, 1951:31. Type species: *Chrysis uniformis* Dahlbom, 1854, by original designation. Junior subjective synonym of *Pseudochrysis* Semenow, 1891 according to Rosa et al., 2017c.

#### *Pseudochrysis aureicollis* (Abeille de Perrin, 1879)

*Chrysis aureicollis* Abeille de Perrin, 1879:82. Syntypes ♀♀ [not holotype ♂]; Spain: Madrid (Paris).

*Pseudospinolia aureicollis*: Rosa et al., 2013:38 (Iran).

**Distribution.** Iran. West Palaearctic, from Southern Europe to Caucasus and Iran; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

#### *Pseudochrysis chamaleon* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)

*Spinolia chamaleon* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:181. Iran: Sistan & Baluchestan: Kulku, Sargad [given as North Khorasan in Rosa, 2020] (St. Petersburg).

*Spinolia chamaeleon*: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:548. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Pseudospinolia marqueti* du Buysson, 1887:180; Rosa et al., 2013:38 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Material examined.** 1♀, Kerman province: 15 km SW of Kerman, 30°10'1.2"N, 56°58'58.8"E, 1780m, 5.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kerman, Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Remarks.** *Pseudochrysis chamaleon* was synonymised by Kimsey & Bohart (1991) with *Pseudospinolia marqueti* (du Buysson) and was reinstated by Rosa et al. (2017a).

#### *Pseudochrysis humboldti* (Dahlbom, 1845)

*Chrysura humboldti* Dahlbom, 1845:6. Holotype ♂; Greece: Rhodes Is. (Stockholm).

*Pseudospinolia humboldti*: Rosa et al., 2013:38 (Qazvin). Rosa, 2020:468 (Hamadan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hamadan, Qazvin). Euroasiatic, from Southern Europe to Caucasus, Türkiye; Central Asia and China (Rosa et al., 2013).

#### *Pseudochrysis marqueti* (du Buysson, 1887)

*Chrysis marqueti* du Buysson, 1887:180. Holotype ♂; Greece: Mt. Parnassus (type depository unknown).

*Pseudochrysis marqueti*: Rosa, 2020:468 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). South-eastern Europe, Türkiye, Palestine (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

#### *Pseudochrysis tumida* (Mocsáry, 1911)

*Chrysis (Holochrysis) tumida* Mocsáry, 1911:464. Holotype ♂; Ethiopia (Budapest).

*Pseudospinolia tumida*: Ebrahimi, 2015:46 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan). Ethiopia (Mocsáry, 1911).

#### *Pseudochrysis uniformis* (Dahlbom, 1854)

*Chrysis uniformis* Dahlbom, 1854:149. Holotype ♀; Asia Minor (depository unknown).

*Pseudospinolia uniformis*: Rosa et al., 2013:38 (Fars, Esfahan, Qazvin, Tehran); Ebrahimi, 2015:46 (Golestan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:26 (Khorasan-e Razavi); Rosa, 2020:469 (Kerman, Mazandaran, Qazvin).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Esfahan, Golestan, Kerman, Khorasan-e Razavi, Mazandaran, Qazvin, Tehran). West-Palaearctic, from Southern Europe to Türkiye and Western Asia; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

### Genus *Spinolia* Dahlbom, 1854

*Spinolia* Dahlbom, 1854:363. Type species: *Spinolia magnifica* Dahlbom, 1854 [= *Spinolia lamprosoma* (Förster, 1853)], by monotypy.

***Spinolia dallatorreana taurusiaca* (Linsenmaier, 1987)**

*Euchroeus* (*Spinolia*) *dallatorreanus taurusiacus* Linsenmaier, 1987:144. Holotype ♀; Türkiye: Konya (Luzern).

*Spinolia dallatorreana taurusiaca*: Rosa, 2020:469 (Iran, collecting place not located on the map), 474 (fig. 12).

**Distribution.** Iran (Golestan [Shahpasand = Azadshahr, explored by F. Ressler]). Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1987).

***Spinolia dournovii* (Radoszkowski, 1866)**

*Chrysis dournovii* Radoszkowski, 1866:303. Holotype ♀; Caucasus (Kraków).

*Chrysis* (*Olochrysis*) *dournovi*: Mocsáry, 1889:285. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Chrysis dournovii*: Dalla Torre, 1892:57. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Pseudochrysis durnovi*: Semenow, 1892b:491. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Spinolia durnovi*: du Buysson, 1893:246. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Spinolia durnovi*: Trautmann, 1927:88. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Euchroeus* (*Spinolia*) *durnovi*: Linsenmaier, 1959a:69. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Spinolia dournovii*: Rosa et al., 2013:39 (East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan). West-Palaeartic, from South-eastern Europe to the Caucasus and Middle East; Central Asia: Kazakhstan; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Spinolia morawitzii* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Chrysis* (*Spinolia*) *morawitzii* Mocsáry, 1889:607. Holotype ♂; Turkmenistan (Budapest).

*Chrysis morawitzi*: Bischoff, 1913:25. Incorrect subsequent spelling.

*Spinolia morawitzi*: Ebrahimi, 2015:48 (Markazi).

**Material examined.** 1♂, Fars province, Dasht Arjan, 29°56'27.6"N 51°54'46.8"E, 2040m, 6.v.2016, leg.: M.Kafka (MHC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Markazi). Central Asia: Turkmenistan (Rosa et al., 2017b).

***Spinolia rogenhoferi* (Mocsáry, 1889)**

*Chrysis* (*Spinolia*) *rogenhoferi* Mocsáry, 1889:604. Holotype ♀; Greece [not Türkiye]: Attica (Budapest).

*Spinolia chalcites* Mocsáry, 1890:55; Rosa et al., 2013:38 (Qazvin).

**Material examined.** 1♀, env. Sisakht, 2400m, Kohgiluyeh and Buyer Ahmad, Dena Nat. Reserve, 30°52'46"N, 51°25'12"E, 14.–16.v.2013, leg. D. Baiocchi (PRC).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kohgiluyeh and Buyer Ahmad, Qazvin). Greece, Türkiye (Linsenmaier, 1959a).

**Remarks.** The species identified by Linsenmaier in his collection and in his keys (Linsenmaier, 1959a) is *Spinolia rogenhoferi* or an allied undescribed species, anyway does not match the type of *Spinolia chalcites* (Rosa & Greeff, 2020).

***Spinolia stchurovskyi* (Radoszkowski, 1877)**

*Polyodontus stchurovsky* Radoszkowski, 1877:25. Holotype ♀; locality unknown ("*patria incognita*") [not Turkestan] (Moscow).

*Chrysis* (*Polyodontus*) *stschurovskyi*: Mocsáry, 1889:595. Emendation of *Polyodontus stchurovsky* Radoszkowski, 1877.

**Material examined.** 1♂, Kerman province: 20 km E Ghobeyra, 30°06'00"N, 56°35'24"E, 1780m, 5.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Kerman). Central Asia (Amur Darya), Pakistan (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

**Genus *Spintharina* Semenow, 1892**

*Spintharina* Semenow, 1892b:485. Type species: *Chrysis vagans* Radoszkowski, 1877, by original designation.

***Spintharina cassandra* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967)**

*Chrysis* (*Holochrysis*) *cassandra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:149. Holotype ♂; Iran: Mekran [= Markan in Sistan & Baluchestan] (St. Petersburg).

*Chrysis cassandra*: Rosa et al., 2013:17 (Sistan & Baluchestan).

*Spintharina cassandra*: Rosa et al., 2017a:20.

**Distribution.** Iran (Sistan & Baluchestan).



***Spintharina dubai* (Bohart, 1987)**

*Spintharina dubai* Bohart, 1987:96. Holotype ♂; United Arab Emirates: Dubai, Nakhali (Davis) (*vagans* group).  
*Spintharina dubai*: Farhad et al., 2016b:8 (Hormozgan, fig. 7).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Arabian Peninsula: Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates (Rosa et al., 2020a).

***Spintharina extrema* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954) (Fig. 40A–F)**

*Chrysis* (*Spintharina*) *extrema* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954:121. Holotype ♀; Tadjikistan: Ayvadz (St. Petersburg).

*Chrysis extrema* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954 = *Spintharina vagans* (Radoszkowski, 1887): Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:558.

*Spintharina extrema*: Rosa et al., 2017a:24.

**Material examined.** 1♀, 30 km S of Tehran, 26.vi.1965, steppe, leg. Giordani Soika & Mavromoustakis, GBIF\_Chr00041786 (NMLU).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (Tehran). Tadjikistan and Turkmenistan (Rosa et al., 2017a).

***Spintharina houskai* (Balthasar, 1953)**

*Spintharis* (*Acanthospinthis*) *houskai* Balthasar, 1953:155. Holotype ♂; Palestine: Jerusalem (Prague).

*Chrysis* (*Spintharina*) *houskai*: Linsenmaier, 1959a:172.

*Spintharina houskai*: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991:557.

**Material examined.** 2♂♂, 1♀, East-Azarbaijan province: 10 km E of Shabestar, Sis, 38°15'36"N, 45°51'36"E, 1540m, 19.vi.2010, leg. Mi. Halada (MHC).

**Distribution.** \*Iran (East-Azarbaijan). Palestine.

***Spintharina integerrima* (Klug, 1845)**

*Chrysis integerrima* Klug, 1845:tav. 45 fig. 14. Type [unknown]; Arabia (lost?) (*versicolor* group).

*Spintharina integerrima*: Farhad et al., 2016b:9 (Hormozgan, fig. 8).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Oman, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen (Rosa et al., 2020a), Palestine, Sudan.

***Spintharina mocsaryi* Radoszkowski, 1890**

*Spintharis mocsaryi* Radoszkowski, 1890:508. Holotype [unknown]; Türkiye: Büyük Agri Dagi (depository unknown).

*Spintharina vagans* Radoszkowski, 1887:11; Rosa et al., 2013:39 (East-Azarbaijan); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:300 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Kerman). South-eastern Europe, Caucasus, Middle East (Rosa et al., 2013).

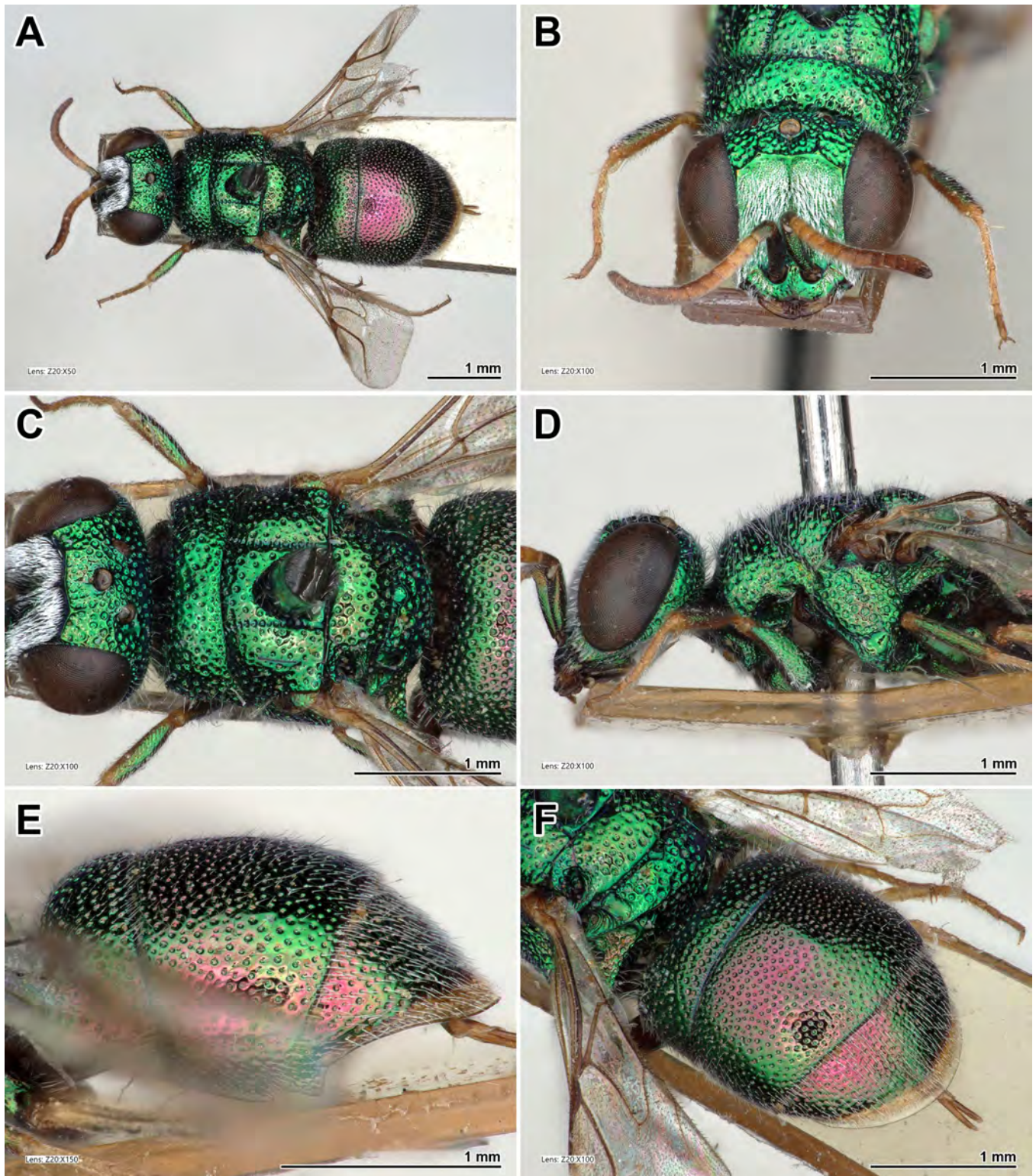
**Remarks.** In Rosa et al. (2013) the specimens were identified as *Spintharina vagans*, following Linsenmaier's identification of the species. Nevertheless, after examination of more material, it resulted that Linsenmaier's (1959a) identification of *S. vagans* is related to *S. mocsaryi* (or *alexandrii* du Buysson, replacement name). The occurrence of *S. vagans* is apparently restricted to Central Asia. The record from Kerman should be related to this *S. mocsaryi* as well since Iranmanesh et al. (2017) follow Linsenmaier's (1959a) keys.

***Spintharina versicolor* (Spinola, 1808)**

*Chrysis versicolor* Spinola, 1808:241. Lectotype ♀ designated by Rosa & Xu, 2015:48; Italy: Liguria (Turin) (*versicolor* group).

*Spintharina versicolor*: Rosa et al., 2013:39 (Kordestan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kordestan). Southern and Central Europe, from Spain to Greece, Lebanon (Linsenmaier, 1959a), Ukraine (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991), and Türkiye (Strumia & Yildirim, 2009).



**Figure 40.** *Spintharina extrema* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954). **A.** Habitus, dorsal view; **B.** Head, frontal view; **C.** Mesosoma, dorsal view; **D.** Mesosoma, lateral view; **E.** Metasoma, lateral view; **F.** Metasoma, postero-lateral view.

### Genus *Stilbum* Spinola, 1806

*Stilbum* Spinola, 1806:9. Type species: *Chrysis calens* Fabricius, 1781, by subsequent designation of Latreille, 1810:437.



***Stilbum calens* (Fabricius, 1781)**

*Chrysis calens* Fabricius, 1781:455. Holotype ♀; Russia: Siberia (London).

*Stilbum calens*: Rosa et al., 2013:40 (Semnan, Tehran).

*Stilbum calens westermanni* Dahlbom, 1845:16; Boustani & Rosa, 2022:33 (Iran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Semnan, Tehran). Euroasiatic, from Europe to Siberia and China; Northern Africa (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Remarks.** The specimens recorded from Iran should be double-checked to be correctly identified. Recently Rosa et al. (2023b) elevated *Stilbum westermanni* to species rank, based on molecular analyses. However, molecular data and specimens for comparison were available from Europe, Russia and Central Asia, but not from Iran and the Middle East. For the moment, we still consider *S. calens* as the species distributed in Iran, but they both could be theoretically present in the country.

***Stilbum cyanurum* (Forster, 1771)**

*Chrysis cyanura* Forster [not Förster], 1771:89. Holotype ♂; Spain (London).

*Stilbum cyanurum*: Rosa et al., 2013:39 (Qazvin); Ebrahimi, 2015:49 (Sistan & Baluchestan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:26 (Fars); Farhad et al., 2016b:10 (Hormozgan); Farzaneh et al., 2017:500 (Fars); Iranmanesh et al., 2017:300 (Kerman).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan, Kerman, Qazvin, Sistan & Baluchestan). Worldwide distributed, excluded Neotropical and Nearctic Regions (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).

**Genus *Trichrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876**

*Trichrysis* Lichtenstein, 1876:227. Type species: *Sphex cyanea* Linnaeus, 1758, by monotypy.

***Trichrysis cyanea* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

*Sphex cyanea* Linnaeus, 1758:572. Lectotype ♂ designated by Morgan, 1984:10; Europe (London-Linnean Society).

*Trichrysis cyanea*: Rosa et al., 2013:40 (East-Azarbaijan); Ebrahimi, 2015:51 (East-Azarbaijan); Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015:27 (Alborz, Fars); Farzaneh et al., 2017:500 (Fars); Rosa, 2020:469 (Golestan, Mazandaran).

**Distribution.** Iran (Alborz, East-Azarbaijan, Fars, Golestan, Mazandaran, Semnan). Palearctic, from Europe to China; Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1999, Rosa et al., 2014).

***Trichrysis lacerta* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954)**

*Chrysis (Trichrysis) lacerta* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij [in Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya], 1954:122. Holotype ♀; Kyrgyzstan: Kok-Janggak (St. Petersburg).

*Trichrysis lacerta*: Falahatpisheh et al., 2021:138 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars). Greece, Cyprus, Türkiye, Caucasus and Egypt (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991; Strumia & Yildirim, 2009).

***Trichrysis longispina* (Mocsáry, 1912)**

*Chrysis (Trichrysis) longispina* Mocsáry, 1912a:377. Holotype ♀; Saudi Arabia: Lahej (Budapest).

*Trichrysis longispina*: Farhad et al., 2016b:11 (Hormozgan, fig. 10); Farzaneh et al., 2017:501 (Fars).

**Distribution.** Iran (Fars, Hormozgan). Oman, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen (Rosa et al., 2020a).

***Trichrysis scioensis* (Gribodo, 1879)**

*Chrysis scioensis* Gribodo, 1879:344. Holotype ♀; East Africa (Genoa).

*Trichrysis scioensis*: Farhad et al., 2016b:10 (Hormozgan, fig. 9).

**Distribution.** Iran (Hormozgan). Afrotropical (Madl & Rosa, 2012).

**Tribe Parnopini Dahlbom, 1854****Genus *Cephaloparnops* Bischoff, 1910**

*Cephaloparnops* Bischoff, 1910:435. Type species: *Parnopes elegans* Klug, 1845 [= *Cephaloparnops denticulatus* (Spinola, 1838)], by monotypy.

***Cephaloparnops denticulatus* (Spinola, 1838)**

*Parnopes denticulatus* Spinola, 1838:455. Holotype ♂; Egypt (Turin).

*Cephaloparnops denticulatus*: Kimsey & Bohart, 1991; Rosa et al., 2013:40 (Iran, without locality).

**Distribution.** Iran. Sudan, Egypt, Yemen (Rosa et al., 2020a).

***Cephaloparnops vareillesi* (du Buysson, 1900)**

*Parnopes vareillesi* du Buysson, 1900:157. Lectotype ♀ designated by Kimsey, 1986:109; Algeria: Biskra (Paris).

*Cephaloparnops abruptus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912:180. Holotype ♂; Iran: Kerman province, Sarhad district, Podagi (St. Petersburg).

*Cephaloparnops medus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:183. Holotype ♀; Iran: Semnan province, Shahrud, 26.v.1914, A. Kirichenko (St. Petersburg).

*Cephaloparnops vareillesi*: Rosa et al., 2013:40 (Semnan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Kerman, Semnan). Palestine, Saudi Arabia; Northern Africa: Algeria, Egypt (Linsenmaier, 1959a, 1994, 1999).

**Remarks.** A revision of the Palaearctic Parnopini is needed because more species were recently collected in desert areas and evaluation of all taxa through the morphological analysis is still missing.

**Genus *Jsadelphus* Semenow, 1901**

*Jsadelphus* Semenow, 1901:27. Type species: *Parnopes schmiedeknechtii* Mocsáry, 1899 [= *Jsadelphus schmiedeknechtii* (Mocsáry, 1899)], by monotypy.

*Jsadelphus*: Semenow, 1902:353. Incorrect subsequent spelling of *Jsadelphus* Semenow, 1901.

*Isadelphus* Semenow, 1902:353. Unnecessary replacement name for *Jsadelphus* in Semenow, 1902 *nec* *Isadelphus* Förster, 1868 (Hymenoptera Ichneumonidae).

***Jsadelphus schmiedeknechtii* (Mocsáry, 1899)**

*Parnopes Schmiedeknechtii* Mocsáry, 1899:493. Lectotype ♀ designated by Kimsey, 1987:90; Lebanon: Brumana (Budapest).

*Isadelphus zarudnii* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967:182. Holotype ♂; Iran: Esfahan env., 16–24.iv.1904, N. Zarudny (St. Petersburg)

*Isadelphus schmiedeknechtii*: Rosa et al., 2013:41 (Esfahan).

**Distribution.** Iran (Esfahan). Middle East; Northern Africa: Egypt (Rosa et al., 2013).

**Genus *Parnopes* Latreille, 1797**

*Parnopes* Latreille, 1797:126. Type species: *Chrysis carnea* Fabricius, 1775 [= *Parnopes grandior* (Pallas, 1771)], by monotypy.

***Parnopes glasunowi* Semenow, 1901**

*Parnopes glasunowi* Semenow, 1901:25. Holotype ♂; Tadjikistan: Jagnob (St. Petersburg).

*Parnopes glasunowi*: Rosa et al., 2013:41 (Khorasan-e Razavi).

**Distribution.** Iran (Khorasan-e Razavi), Türkiye; Central Asia (Rosa et al., 2013).

***Parnopes grandior* (Pallas, 1771)**

*Chrysis grandior* Pallas, 1771:474. Holotype ♂; Russia (Berlin).

*Parnopes grandior*: Rosa et al., 2013:42 (Golestan); Samin et al., 2014:123 (East-Azarbaijan).

**Distribution.** Iran (East-Azarbaijan, Golestan). Widespread in the Western Palaearctic Region (Kimsey & Bohart, 1991).



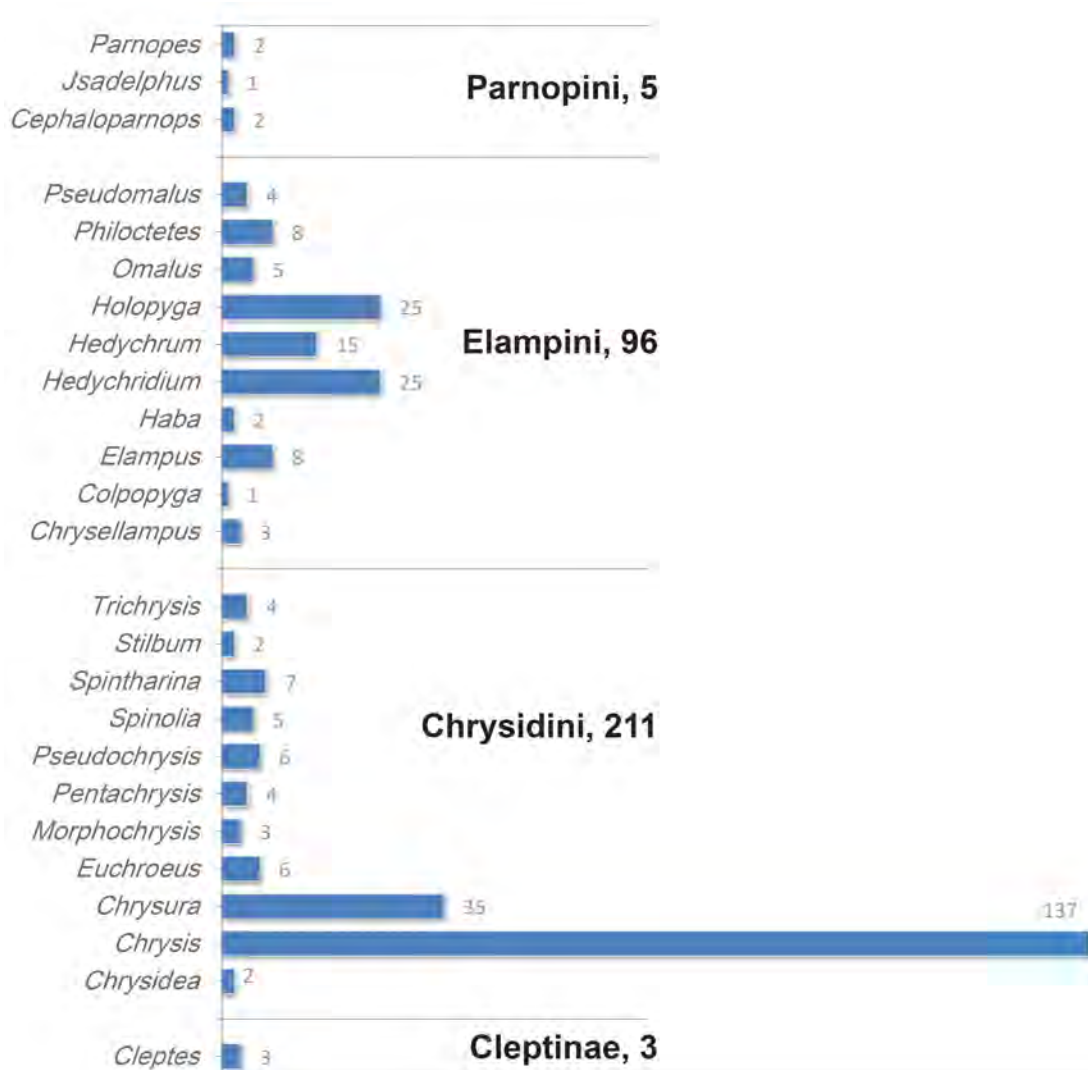
## DISCUSSION

The new checklist of the Iranian cuckoo wasps is deeply different from the first one. This is due not only to the numerous species added in the last years and the new species described but also to a long list of changes made in the taxonomy, nomenclature and species concept of many species. In particular, twelve species have been synonymised: *Chrysis chrysochlora* Mocsáry, 1889 = *C. keriensis* Radoszkowski, 1887; *C. decora* Mocsáry, 1887 = *C. mesasiatica* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912; *C. elegans interrogata* Linsenmaier, 1959 = *C. confluens* (Dahlbom, 1845); *C. psittacina* du Buysson, 1887 = *C. regina* du Buysson, 1887; *C. pyrrrha* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967 = *C. angustifrons* Abeille de Perrin, 1878; *C. pyrhhina* auct. = *C. zonata* Dahlbom, 1854; *C. splendidula chlorisans* du Buysson, 1895 = *C. splendidula* Rossi, 1790; *C. subcoerulea* Radoszkowski, 1891 = *C. chlorochrysa* Mocsáry, 1889; *Holopyga crassepuncta* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954 = *H. turkestanica* Mocsáry, 1909; *H. proviridis* Linsenmaier, 1959 = *H. generosa asiatica* Trautmann, 1926; *Pseudomalus masalskii* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932) = *P. turkestanicus* (Mocsáry, 1889); *Cephaloparnops abruptus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912 = *C. vareillesi* (du Buysson, 1900). Moreover, seven subspecies were upgraded to specific rank: *Chrysis dauriana* Linsenmaier, 1959; *Chrysis schwarzi* Linsenmaier, 1968; *Chrysis consobrina* Mocsáry, 1889; *Hedychridium davydovi* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967); *Hedychrum caucasicum* Mocsáry, 1889; *Hedychrum persicum* Mocsáry, 1914; *Holopyga caucasica* Mocsáry, 1889, and one species downgraded to subspecific rank: *Euchroeus moricei zarudnianus* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1909).

Recent changes in the classification of genera also impacted the Iranian list. The following seven species were transferred to different genera: *Chrysis cassandra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967 to the genus *Spintharina*; *Chrysis inaequalis* Dahlbom, 1845 to *Pentachrysis*; *Chrysis pulchella* Spinola, 1808 to *Morphochrysis*; *Hedychridium flavipes rugulosum* Linsenmaier, 1959 to *Colpopyga*; *Omalus hypocrita* (du Buysson, 1893) to *Philoctetes*; *Philoctetes medanae* (du Buysson, 1890) and *Philoctetes tatianae* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967) to *Chrysellampus*.

The first checklist was largely based on Linsenmaier's (1959a, 1968, 1969, 1987) species concepts and material from his collection. However, the revision work on types deposited in Euroasian collections carried on by the first author, has shed light on some misinterpretations given by the Swiss author. In particular: *Chrysis ashabadensis* sensu Linsenmaier = *C. villosa* Rosa, 2022; *C. inaequalis sapphirina* sensu Linsenmaier = *Chrysis poetica* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954; *C. perrinii* sensu Linsenmaier = *C. caucasicola* Balthasar, 1953; *C. singula* sensu Linsenmaier = *C. grohmanni bolivari* García Mercet, 1904; *Holopyga chrysonota* sensu Linsenmaier = *H. similis* Mocsáry, 1889; *Spinolia chalcites* sensu Linsenmaier = *S. rogenhoferi* (Mocsáry, 1889); *Spintharina vagans* sensu Linsenmaier = *S. mocsaryi* (Radoszkowski, 1890). During the revision work mentioned above, other species were resurrected by previous synonymizations by Rosa et al. (2017a) and are now included in the new list, such as *Spinolia chamaleon* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967), *Spintharina extrema* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaja, 1954) and *Hedychridium erschovi* (Radoszkowski, 1877) in Rosa et al. (2013) listed as *H. chloropygum caputaureum*. Finally, to fully understand the relationships between similar species of some *Chrysis* groups, examination of more material is needed, possibly with the help of molecular analyses, like in the case of species in the *graelisii* group (see above).

The known Chrysidid fauna of Iran currently comprises 315 taxa which are categorized into four tribes and 25 genera (Fig. 41). The tribe Chrysidini, with 211 species includes more than two-thirds of the species, with the genus *Chrysis* represented by 137 species, followed by *Chrysura* with 35 species. *Hedychridium* and *Holopyga*, each with 25 recorded species, are documented as the most speciose genera of Elampini. The tribe Panopini and the subfamily Cleptinae, with 4 and 3 species respectively, represent a very small assembly of the Iranian chrysidids. Considering the development in the knowledge of Iranian fauna, a comprehensive key to species level for the country is still premature. In fact, the estimated number of chrysidid species should be at least 400, similar to the Turkish fauna (Rosa et al., 2013), if not more rich due to the presence of Afrotropical and Indian elements. Only a key including all Middle Eastern, Central Asian and Mediterranean species could assist in the identification of Iranian species. However, achieving this goal would require a dedicated project, including financing for research, travels to museums, and illustrations.



**Figure 41.** Number of recorded species within the genera of Chrysididae in Iran.

To facilitate the identification of species in the genus *Chrysis*, the most speciose one, we propose a synthetic list of the 137 species subdivided by species group. Species groups can be identified using the keys of Kimsey & Bohart (1991) and Linsenmaier (1959a):

***aestiva* group**

- C. aestiva* Dahlbom, 1854
- C. interjecta hemichlora* Linsenmaier, 1951
- C. martinella* du Buysson, 1900

***amneris* group**

- C. amneris* Balthasar, 1953

***bihamata* group**

- C. capito* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967
- C. vachali* du Buysson, 1900

***cerastes* group**

- C. ambigua* Radoszkowski, 1891
- C. mutabilis* du Buysson, 1887
- C. regina* du Buysson, 1887

***comparata* group**

- C. altaica* Mocsáry, 1912
- C. apiata* du Buysson, 1900
- C. asiatica* Radoszkowski, 1889
- C. caucasicola* Balthasar, 1953
- C. comparata* Lepeletier, 1806
- C. imperatrix* du Buysson, 1887
- C. leuconoe* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967
- C. marginata marginata* Mocsáry, 1889
- C. subanalis* Linsenmaier, 1968
- C. verna* Dahlbom, 1854
- C. xanthocera* Klug, 1845

***curta* group**

- C. batyamensis* Linsenmaier, 1969



**delicatula group***C. mandibularis* du Buysson, 1901**ear group***C. laetula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954**ehrenbergi group***C. erubescens* Linsenmaier, 1997*C. turcomana* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954**elegans group***C. angustifrons agitata* Linsenmaier, 1959*C. angustifrons angustifrons* Abeille de Perrin, 1878*C. confluens* (Dahlbom, 1845)*C. lepida* Mocsáry, 1889*C. transcaspica* Mocsáry, 1889*C. villosa* Rosa, in Boustani & Rosa, 2022**exsecata group***C. mirifica* Balthasar, 1953**facialis group***C. gianassoi* Strumia, 2015*C. mirabilis* Radoszkowski, 1877*C. sefrensis* du Buysson, 1900**gracillima group***C. gracillima* Förster, 1853**graelsii group***C. remota* Mocsáry, 1889*C. sybarita persis* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967**ignita group***C. clarinicolis* Linsenmaier, 1951*C. comta* Förster, 1853*C. corusca* Valkeila, 1971*C. fulgida* Linnaeus, 1761*C. ignita* (Linnaeus, 1758)*C. impressa* Schenck, 1856*C. indigotea* Dufour & Perris, 1840*C. keriensis* Radoszkowski, 1887*C. ruddii* Shuckard, 1837*C. schencki* Linsenmaier, 1968**leachii group***C. infantula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967*C. leachii* Shuckard, 1836*C. mediasignata* Rosa, **sp. nov.***C. santschii* Linsenmaier, 1959**maculicornis group***C. acceptabilis* Radoszkowski, 1891*C. annulata* du Buysson, 1887*C. distincta distincta* Mocsáry, 1887*C. distincta exigua* Mocsáry, 1889*C. heimi* Rosa, **sp. nov.***C. komarowi* Radoszkowski, 1891*C. maculicornis* Klug, 1845*C. sacrata* du Buysson, 1898*C. saraksensis* Radoszkowski, 1891*C. semenovi* Radoszkowski, 1891*C. speciosa* Radoszkowski, 1877*C. subdistincta* Linsenmaier, 1968*C. zobeida* du Buysson, 1896**millenaris group***C. majidi* Strumia, 2015*C. millenaris* Mocsáry, 1897*C. seroa* du Buysson, 1898*C. unirubra* Strumia, 2015**oculata group***C. stilboides* Spinola, 1838**pallidicornis group***C. gorislava* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967*C. manicata* Dahlbom, 1854*C. pharaonum* Mocsáry, 1882**rubricata group***C. rubricata* Mocsáry, 1902**rufitarsis group***C. hafisi* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967*C. herzensteini* Semenow, 1892*C. parthorum* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967*C. pseudoincisa* Balthasar, 1953*C. rufitarsis rufitarsis* Brullé, 1833*C. rufitarsis progressa* Linsenmaier, 1959*C. subincisa* Linsenmaier, 1959**scutellaris group***C. araratica* Radoszkowski, 1890*C. consobrina* Mocsáry, 1889*C. maracandensis* Radoszkowski, 1877*C. palliditarsis* Spinola, 1838*C. soror* Dahlbom, 1854**smaragdula group***C. demavendae* Radoszkowski, 1881*C. equestris* Dahlbom, 1854*C. musa* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954*C. sexdentata* Christ, 1791**splendidula group***C. mesasiatica* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912*C. rutilans* Olivier, 1791*C. splendidula* Rossi, 1790**subsinuata group***C. echidna* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967*C. hydra* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967*C. simurgh* Rosa, **sp. nov.***C. orienticola* Linsenmaier, 1994**succincta group***C. amerii* Rosa & Farhad, **sp. nov.***C. afghanica* Linsenmaier, 1968*C. albanica alia* Linsenmaier, 1959*C. coa* Invrea, 1939

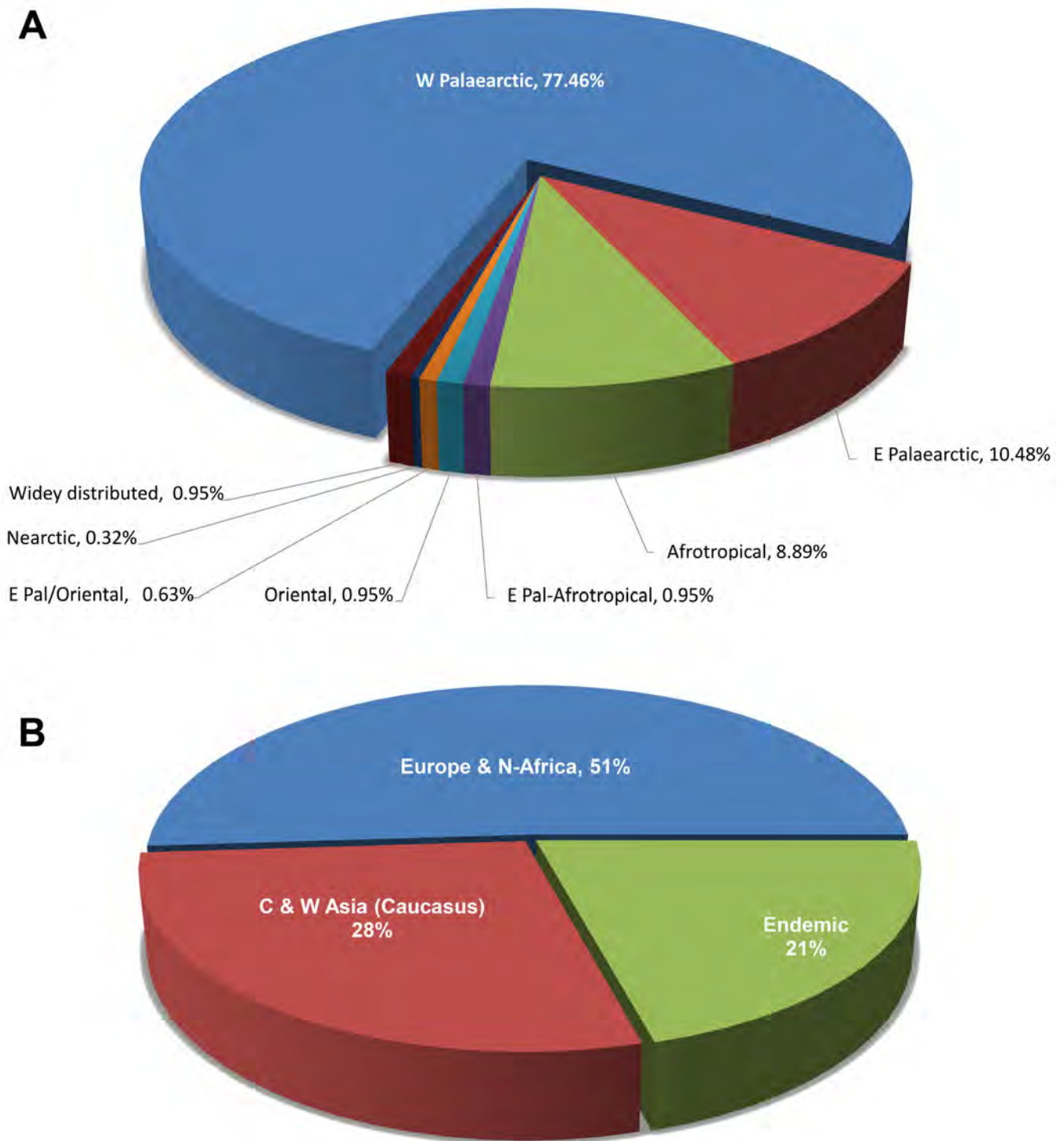
- C. crenulata* Rosa, **sp. nov.**  
*C. dauriana* Linsenmaier, 1959  
*C. edentata* Rosa & Baiocchi, **sp. nov.**  
*C. frivaldszkyi frivaldszkyi* Mocsáry, 1882  
*C. frivaldszkyi sparsepunctata* du Buysson, 1895  
*C. grohmanni bolivari* Mercet, 1902  
*C. maidaquensis* Strumia, 2014  
*C. marani* Balthasar, 1953  
*C. minutissima* Radoszkowski, 1876  
*C. mysta* du Buysson, 1900  
*C. peri* Rosa & Baiocchi, **sp. nov.**  
*C. prosuccincta* Linsenmaier, 1968  
*C. robertsi* Rosa, 2020  
*C. schousboei* Dahlbom, 1854  
*C. singula* Radoszkowski, 1891  
*C. titanica* Rosa, **sp. nov.**  
*C. turcica* (du Buysson, 1908)
- taczanovskii group**  
*C. taczanovskii* Radoszkowski, 1877  
*C. dentipes dentipes* Radoszkowski, 1877
- varidens group**  
*C. brunneamarginata* Farhad, Rosa & Talebi, 2019  
*C. klio* Balthasar, 1953  
*C. schwarzi* Linsenmaier, 1968  
*C. diacantha diacantha* Mocsáry, 1889  
*C. taurica* Mocsáry, 1889
- viridissima group**  
*C. chlorochrysa* Mocsáry, 1889  
*C. viridissima* Klug, 1845

Considering the discrete assemblage of the known Chrysididae of Iran, it is still challenging to analyse the faunal complex and the biogeographical history. The occurrence of the chrysidids is strictly dependent on the environments where their hosts nest (Pärn et al., 2014) and the availability of flowering plants for adult feeding (Rosa, 2004b). However, very little information is documented about their host (Pauli et al., 2019) which is one of the main factors determining the distribution of species in a wide or limited geographical range. Based on the current list, the Iranian chrysidid fauna is mostly (77.64%) represented by species distributed in the Western Palaearctic region (Fig. 42A). The rest comprises a small but meaningful assemblage shared with the Eastern Palaearctic (10.48%) and Afrotropical (8.89%) fauna. Excluding the widely distributed Afrotropical species, there are 10 species currently considered endemic to Iran, all found in southern provinces (Fars, Hormozgan, and Sistan & Baluchestan). However, this evaluation can be biased by undersampling in bordering provinces and neighbouring countries. Most of the species were found mainly in the southern provinces of Iran and, to some extent, outside the Afrotropical region. Similar findings have been clarified through the studies on other Hymenoptera of Iran (Rahmani et al., 2020; Barahoei et al., 2022). A very small overlap was found with the fauna of the Oriental (0.95% + 0.63 [E-Palaearctic]) region, represented by the occurrence of three species: *Hedychrum gerstaeckeri* as well as two widely distributed species *Chrysis stilboides*, and *Omalus aeneus*. The latter species was also found in the Nearctic region (0.32%), together with *Cleptes striatipleuris* and *Pseudomalus auratus*.

According to the current knowledge, out of 315 chrysidid species (and subspecies) in Iran, 52 species can be considered as “Endemic”, since they were not still found elsewhere. These endemic species comprise 21% of the total Iran chrysidid species that can be restricted to the Western Palaearctic region (Fig. 42A). Up to 28% (69 species) are documented from the Central and Western Asian area (including the Caucasian region), and the rest (125 species, 51%) are distributed in Europe and North Africa.

The known provincial distribution of the Iranian Chrysididae (Fig. 43) represents an uneven exploration throughout the country, almost covering the whole territory except four provinces (Chaharmahal & Bakhtiari, Ilam, Qom and Yazd). The main species records achieved from the studies in the southern provinces (Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015; Farhad et al., 2016b; Strumia & Fallahzadeh 2016; Strumia et al., 2016b; Farhad et al., 2017; Farzaneh et al., 2017; Iranmanesh et al., 2017; Falahatpisheh et al., 2019), represented by Fars (108 species), Hormozgan (44 species) and Kerman (39 species) provinces occupying about one-fifth of the total area of the country. The North-western area of Iran encompasses a large and highly diverse environment, with high affinities to the Caucasia has been explored through the studies (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967; Rosa et al., 2013; Torabipour et al., 2013a) mainly centralized in the East-Azərbayjan province (41 recorded species).





**Figure 42.** The plotted distribution of the known Chrysididae from Iran. **A.** Across the Zoogeographical regions. **B.** Inside the Western Palearctic region.

The Eastern provinces (North Khorasan, Khorasan-e Razavi, South Khorasan, and Sistan & Baluchestan) have been assumed to harbour the unknown elements of the Eastern Palearctic regions. This vast area occupies nearly one-third of the whole country, with extremely variable climate along, but very sporadically explored (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954, 1967; Rosa et al., 2013; Torabipour et al., 2013a; Ebrahimi, 2015; Strumia & Fallahzadeh, 2015; Farhad et al., 2018), as indicated by a few recorded species.



**Figure 43.** The Map of Iran with the number of the recorded chrysidid species of Iran, within the provincial framework. The intensity of shading colours represents the frequency of the species.

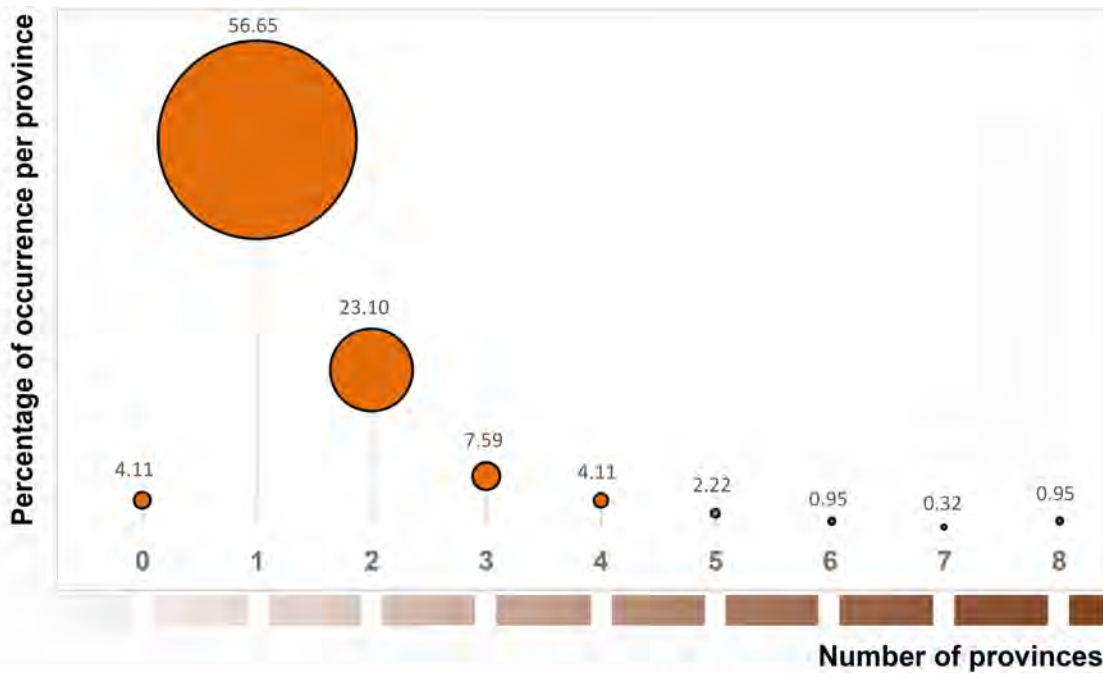
The cross-road for the faunal elements of three biogeographical regions (Afrotropical, Palaearctic, and Oriental) is perfectly coinciding within the area extending from the southern and south-eastern province of Iran deserves further explorations with emphasis through the highlands extended into the neighbouring countries.

There was not exact provincial records for 13 species (*Chrysis*: 7 sp., *Hedychridium*: 1 sp., *Hedychrum*: 2 sp., *Holopyga*, *Pseudochrysis* and *Cephaloparnops*: 1 sp.). Half of the species (56.64%) (Fig. 44) are recorded only from a single province. Three taxa (*Holopyga cypruscula detrita*, *Pseudomalus turkestanicus*, *Pseudochrysis uniformis* were found widely distributed in the country, their occurrences are documented in eight provinces, followed by *Chrysura laevigata* (in 7 provinces) and *Chrysis frivaldszkyi sparsepunctata*, *Chrysis marginata marginata*, *Trichrysis cyanea* (in 6 provinces).

**Records need confirmation.** (misidentifications, doubtful identifications, *nomina dubia* and *nomina nuda*)

With regards to the complicated taxonomy of Chrysididae, as well as their discrete history of the faunistic studies, records of some species are considered unreliable and doubtful (Table 1) Although the majority of these records were conservatively reported in Rosa et al. (2013), the current knowledge on the zoogeography and taxonomy of Chrysididae has shed light into many questions. A few species were recorded based on specimens that have never been examined by expert taxonomists, and in some cases, voucher specimens are unavailable (Samin et al., 2014; Ghahari, 2019). Major taxonomic or nomenclature changes have led to the exclusion of some taxa. Misidentifications could originate from the impossibility of examining type series, inadequate examination of specimens, absence of reference collections and robust taxonomic background, and finally by the biogeographical complexity within this family.





**Figure 44.** The rate of provincial occurrence (in percentage) of the known Iranian Chrysididae. The Zero value indicating no locality was documented for these species; the maximum value of occurrence in the eight provinces is highlighted on the right.

The same situation can be partially applied to the late Strumia's papers on Iranian material (e.g. Farhad et al., 2017 on *Holopyga*), where the articles Semenov-Tian-Shanskij (1910, 1912, 1920, 1932, 1954, 1967) and Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya (1954) were mainly ignored. Emphasizing a single resource (Linsenmaier, 1999) for identification of the Iranian species led to an erroneous belief that the Iranian fauna is closely related to the Mediterranean one rather than an assemblage of taxa originating from various biogeographic areas, starting from Central Asia and the Turanic one.

*Cleptes parnassicus* Mocsáry, 1902 is endemic to Greece (Móczár, 2001). Japoshvili & Ljubomirov (2011) listed this species for Türkiye in a simple list of taxa, without further explanation. However, this species is hardly recognisable from other similar ones of the semiauratus group (e.g. *Cleptes anatolensis* Móczár, 2001), and without genitalia examination and experience in this group, it is hardly identifiable. So, the occurrence of this species both in Iran and Türkiye requires confirmation. The record of *Chrysis analis* Spinola, 1808 from Iran by Radoszkowsky (1877) is considered old and doubtful because more similar species were later described from Caucasus (e.g. *Chrysis caucasicola* Balthasar, 1953) and Central Asia (e.g. *C. altaica* Mocsáry, 1912) which are also known for Iran. According to Linsenmaier (1959a:146; 1968:93), *C. analis* occurs with certainty only in south- and Central Europe and records from Northern Africa, Palestine and Asia require confirmation, since they may refer to related species. The subsequent record by Samin et al. (2014) also needs to be confirmed. *Chrysis chrysophora* Semenov, 1892 is taxonomically an unknown species, not included in any species-group by Kimsey & Bohart (1991) and ignored by Linsenmaier (1959a and following publications). We could not find any type in the museum collections in St. Petersburg and Moscow (Rosa et al., 2017a). Since from the original description, it is not possible to assign this species to any species-group and have an unambiguous species concept, we consider this taxon as *nomen dubium*. *Chrysis dawahi* Strumia, 2012 (listed by Falahatpisheh et al., 2020 for Iran) was synonymised with *C. mirifica* Balthasar by Rosa et al. (2020a). However, this action was unnecessary because in the original description of *C. dawahi*, the name and location of the collection housing the holotype are omitted, thereby not complying with Article 16.4.2 of the Zoological Code (ICZN, 1999). As a consequence, *Chrysis dawahi* results are not correctly described and must be considered as unavailable and *nomen nudum*.

**Table 1.** Partial list of the Chrysididae species recorded from Iran pending confirmation.

Suspended species	Distribution	References
<i>Cleptes nitidulus</i> (Fabricius, 1793)	Mazandaran	Ghahari (2019:67)
<i>Cleptes pallipes</i> (Lepeletier, 1806)	Mazandaran	Ghahari (2019:67)
<i>Cleptes parnassicus</i> Mocsáry, 1902	West-Azarbaijan	Samin et al. (2014:123)
<i>Chrysis analis</i> Spinola, 1808	Mazandaran, Tehran	Samin et al. (2014:122)
<i>Chrysis bicolor</i> (Lepeletier, 1806)	Mazandaran	Ghahari (2019:67)
<i>Chrysis chrysoptera</i> Semenow, 1892	Without locality	Semenow (1892a:81)
<i>Chrysis simplonica</i> Linsenmaier, 1951	Gilan	Samin et al. (2014:122)
<i>Philoctetes hypocrita</i> (du Buysson, 1893)	"Perse, "mer Caspienne occidentale"	Farhad et al. (2018:199)
<i>Pseudomalus triangulifer</i> (Abeille de Perrin, 1877)	Mazandaran	Ghahari (2019:67)
<i>Spinolia unicolor</i> (Dahlbom, 1831)	Sistan & Baluchestan	Samin et al. (2014:123)

*Chrysis laeta* was described by Dahlbom (1854) based on a series of specimens from sub-Saharan Africa belonging to different species. Bohart [in Kimsey & Bohart, 1991] designated the lectotype in Copenhagen, based on a typical African species, not yet found in the Palaearctic region. A paralectotype illustrated in Rosa & Xu (2015), from the Spinola collection, belongs to another African species, clearly different from the lectotype. As Rosa & Xu (2015) noted, Linsenmaier's interpretation of this species does not match the lectotype. Strumia (2014) and Falahatpisheh et al. (2021) followed Linsenmaier's keys, therefore we consider this taxon misidentified. Moreover, Strumia (2014, fig. 50) illustrated a species which is different from the lectotype and from Linsenmaier's interpretation. It probably refers to a species in the *delicatula* group and not from the *splendidula*-*senegalensis* group. Since the species concept of *Chrysis laeta* is unclear, with different interpretations between authors, we consider this record as doubtful, waiting for a future check of the specimens. *Chrysis simplonica* Linsenmaier, 1951 is considered a doubtful record because another similar and common species is known from the Caucasian area, *C. caucasicola* Balthasar, 1953 (Rosa et al., 2013), whereas *C. simplonica* is known on reliable records only from Western Europe.

*Chrysis succincta* Linnaeus, 1767 was listed for Iran by Strumia & Fallahzadeh (2015), nevertheless, the identification is based on females only. It is well known (e.g. Rosa & Makris, 2023) that females of *Chrysis succincta*, *C. tristicula*, *C. prosuccincta* and *C. frivaldszkyi* are impossible to identify based on morphological features. Since *C. succincta* is currently known with certainty only for northern and Central Europe and part of Russia, the occurrence in Iran is doubtful. On the other hand, several similar species are found in Iran, in particular, *Chrysis frivaldszkyi* seems to be very common. Strumia & Fallahzadeh (2015) postulated that the females from Fars could belong to *C. prosuccincta*; we also consider them as such species in the present list. We exclude *C. succincta* from the checklist until male specimens of are found.

*Hedychrum cyaneum* Brullé, 1846 is a South African species described on a type specimen originated from the Serville collection. Spinola bought Serville's collection but this type was lost since it was not located in Turin (Casolari & Casolari, 1978) and not even in Paris (du Buysson, 1899, pers. obs.). Kimsey & Bohart (1991) listed *cyaneum* in the genus *Hedychrum* Latreille, 1802, whereas Linsenmaier (1999:86) transferred *Hedychrum cyaneum* Brullé to the genus *Hedychridium* without type examination, and synonymized *H. flavipes cyanomaculatum* Trautmann, 1927 with *H. cyaneum*. This synonymy is clearly an error because *flavipes* belongs to the genus *Colpopyga* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954 (Rosa, 2017) and members of this genus are not yet recorded for Southern Africa, although it was recently found in



Central Africa (Rosa, 2023a). As the type of this species is apparently lost, its generic placement is uncertain and we consider this taxon as *incertae sedis* and *nomen dubium*. *Hedychrum viridiauratum* Mocsáry, 1889 is a West Mediterranean taxon, known from the Iberian Peninsula, Southern France and Northern Africa (Linsenmaier, 1999). The Iranian records reported by Farzaneh et al. (2017) from Fars may be related to other similar taxa known from the Middle East or Western Asia, such as *H. persicum* Mocsáry, 1914, *Hedychrum rutilans perfidum* du Buysson, 1893, *H. rutilans veterrinum* Mocsáry, 1914, or *H. rutilans subparvulum* Linsenmaier, 1968. Under the name *Hedychrum rutilans* more sibling species are found and molecular data will clarify their real status.

*Hedychridium incrassatum* (Dahlbom, 1854) is a West Mediterranean species, known from the Iberian Peninsula and Morocco, with its easternmost record in Sicily. Linsenmaier (1968) recorded *Hedychridium incrassatum* in Türkiye, but this specimen was not found in his collection and Linsenmaier (1999) himself corrected the distribution in Morocco only. Eastern Mediterranean records were historically considered as subspecies of *Hedychridium incrassatum*: *H. incrassatum mavromoustakisi* Enslin, 1950 (endemic to Cyprus) and *H. incrassatum subaheneum* Linsenmaier, 1959 which are currently considered valid species. Moreover, other similar species known from the Eastern Mediterranean countries are *Hedychridium aheneum* (Dahlbom, 1854) and *Hedychridium feritatum* Linsenmaier, 1959, which is distributed in the Middle East and Iran (Rosa, 2020). Strumia et al. (2016b) did not report any subspecies or any other information to clarify the identity of their material, and these specimens should therefore be double-checked. *Hedychridium inusitatum* Linsenmaier, 1959 is considered a doubtful identification because it is known only on the type series from Morocco. In the Middle East three additional similar species, more or less common, can be found, namely *Hedychridium heliophilum* du Buysson, 1887, *Hedychridium insequosum* Linsenmaier, 1959, and *Hedychridium perpunctatum* Balthasar, 1953. Therefore, identification of the Iranian records requires confirmation. *Hedychridium tarnanii* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932 is an incorrect name. In fact, Semenov-Tian-Shanskij (1932) described *Ellampus tarnanii* which is currently considered as member of the genus *Philoctetes* Abeille de Perrin, 1879. The picture provided by Torabipour et al. (2013a:fig 1D) illustrates *Chrysis poetica* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1912. This record must be deleted from the list of Iranian taxa.

*Philoctetes hypocrita* (du Buysson, 1893) was included in the check-list of the Iranian Chrysididae because of the type locality “*Perse: mer Caspienne occidentale*” which is currently in Azerbaijan and no longer Iran, after 1945. *Philoctetes hypocrita* was excluded from the Iranian fauna by Farhad et al. (2018) because no Iranian record is known, although it is expected for the country. *Spinolia unicolor* (Dahlbom, 1854) is a rare Euro-Sibiric species widely distributed from Central Europe to Mongolia, yet only occasionally collected, probably due to its unknown biology and ecology. In literature and museum collections there are numerous misidentifications of *Spinolia unicolor* (P.R. pers. observ.). Based on Samin et al. (2014) Iran is the most southern distributional limit for this species but we consider doubtful the occurrence of this species in the country. Examination of the specimen is needed prior to validation of the identification.

It should be noted that the current checklist is also not free from these kinds of problems, as we expect a large number of misidentifications to be checked and clarified by subsequent examination of the specimens that were unavailable for this study and directly taken from the literature.

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**چکیده:** مطالعات انجام شده روی زنبورهای فاخته‌ای در ایران، طی سال‌های اخیر بسیار قابل توجه و مدیون تلاش تیم‌های تحقیقاتی مختلف بوده است. پس از انتشار اولین فهرست توسط روزا و همکاران (۲۰۱۳)، بیش از یکصد گونه زنبور فاخته‌ای به فون ایران اضافه شدند که تعداد ۹ مورد از آنها شامل توصیف گونه‌های جدید برای دنیای علم بودند علاوه بر این، تغییرات عمده‌ای در تاکسونومی رخ داده، به طوری که دو جنس *Chrysellampus* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1932 و *Colpopyga* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1954 مورد بازنگری قرار گرفته؛ جنس *Morphochrysis* Rosa & Pavesi, 2023 توصیف شده و تغییرات متعدد در سطح گونه منتشر شده، به نحوی که فهرست اولیه را به شدت تغییر داده‌اند. در پاسخ به این حجم تغییرات گسسته، ما یک فهرست جدید و به‌روز از گونه‌های ایران را ارائه کردیم که دربرگیرنده همه یافته‌های جدید منتشر شده در سال‌های اخیر می‌باشد. ما یازده گونه جدید برای علم با گروه گونه‌های جدید خود به شرح ذیل را توصیف کردیم: *Chrysis amerii* Rosa & Farhad, **sp. nov.**، *C. peri* Rosa & Baiocchi, **sp. nov.**، *C. edentata* Rosa & Baiocchi, **sp. nov.**، *C. crenulata* Rosa, **sp. nov.**، *chamroshi* Rosa, **sp. nov.**، *C. titanica* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (گروه *succincta*)، *C. mediasignata* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (گروه *leachii*)، *Chrysura filidichroa* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (گروه *subsinuata*)، *C. simurgh* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (گروه *maculicornis*)، *C. heimi* Rosa, **sp. nov.** (گروه *dichroa*) و *Hedychridium personatum* Rosa, **sp. nov.** همچنین بیست و شش رکورد جدید از زیرخانواده *Chrysidinae* برای ایران شامل: *Chrysidea disclusa* (Linsenmaier, 1959)؛ *Chrysis afghanica* Linsenmaier, 1968؛ *C. cylindrica* Eversmann, 1858؛ *C. laetula* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967؛ *C. grohmanni bolivari* Mercet, 1902؛ *C. klio* Balthasar, 1953؛ *C. maracandensis* Radoszkowski, 1877؛ *C. leuconoe* Semenov-Tian-Shanskij, 1967؛ *C. mirabilis* Radoszkovsky, 1877؛ *C. pseudobrevitarsis* Linsenmaier, 1951؛ *C. mossulensis* Abeille de Perrin-du Buysson, 1887؛ *C. rutilans* Olivier, 1791؛ *C. robertsi* Rosa, 2020؛ *Hedychridium bytinskii* Linsenmaier، *Euchroeus pellucidus* (Radoszkowski, 1877)؛ *laodamia laodamia* (du Buysson, 1900)؛ *H. semicyaneum*؛ *Hedychrum concinnum* (Mocsáry, 1909)؛ *H. plagiatum* (Mocsáry, 1883)؛ *H. mochii* Strumia, 1994؛ *Spintharina extrema* (Semenov-Tian-Shanskij & Nikol'skaya, 1954)؛ *Spinolia stchurovskiyi* (Radoszkowski, 1877)؛ *S. houskai* (Balthasar, 1953)؛ *Chrysis chrysochroa* Semenow، *Chrysis dawahi* Strumia، *Hedychrum cyaneum* Brullé, 1846 و *Hedychrum persicum* Mocsáry, 1914 **stat. nov.** به ترتیب عنوان نام مشکوک و نام نامشخص در نظر گرفته شدند. نیز به عنوان نام نامعلوم نامعتبر مشخص شد. بخش اعظم فون زنبورهای فاخته‌ای ایران (۷۷/۶۴٪) صرفاً در منطقه پالتارکتیک غربی انتشار دارند و از میان آنها، ۲۱٪ به همین منطقه محدود هستند. بحث کاملی نیز درباره گزارش گونه‌های مشکوک و غیرقابل اعتماد ارائه شد.

**واژگان کلیدی:** Chrysidini، Cleptinae، زنبورهای فاخته‌ای، انتشار، Paropini، Elampini

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