

The Mosquitoes of Pakistan

I. A Checklist*

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As a result of the division of British India, Pakistan was created on August 14, 1947, consisting of two wings bordering the east and west of the peninsular landmass known as Indo-Pakistan sub-continent. Pakistan's eastern wing consists of the southern part of Assam and the northern and eastern parts of Bengal. The western wing consists of the North-West Frontier, Baluchistan, Sind and the northern and western parts of the Punjab. Both wings of Pakistan are separated from each other by about 1000 miles (1,600 km.) of land. Each wing has its characteristic climate, fauna and flora. The eastern wing, approximately between 21° and 27° N. latitude, lies in the warm Temperate Zone, except its south-eastern part, which is situated in the Torrid Zone. It is included in the Oriental region. The western wing, approximately between 24° and 37° N. latitude, lies in the warm Temperate Zone. Although bordering the Oriental region, it belongs mainly to the Mediterranean sub-region with some Ethiopian elements. The northern and western parts of the disputed State of Kashmir, now known as Azad Kashmir, is in the Palaearctic Region.

Up till now little systematic effort has been made to study the Culicidae of Pakistan. The Fauna of British India dealing with anopheline (Christophers 1933) and culicine (Barraud 1934) mosquitoes still remains the standard reference work. It describes 43 species and 9 varieties of anophelines and 252 species and 17 varieties of culicine mosquitoes, out of which 34 species and 1 variety of anophelines and 66 species, 3 sub-species and 1 variety of culicine mosquitoes have been reported from localities now constituting Pakistan. From 1934 till today, only 1 species and 1 variety of anopheline and 3 species of culicine mosquitoes have been added to the mosquito fauna of Pakistan. An excellent survey of the taxonomic work done up till 1959 on the Culicidae of Ceylon, India and Pakistan has been given by Qutubuddin (1960). Since 1960, very little work has been done on the taxonomy (Khokhar and Tariq 1966; Tariq 1967; Aslamkhan 1971). The Culicidae of Pakistan remain poorly known except for the anopheline mosquitoes, which are better known because of their involvement in the transmission of malaria. The distribution of Anopheles is given by Covel (1927, 1931), Barraud (1933) and Puri (1936, 1948). After the partition

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of India in 1947, the anopheline mosquitoes of Pakistan have been described by Talibi and Qureshi (1956) and that of the Punjab by Ansari and Shah (1950). Supplementary information about the Anopheles comes from the work on malaria, ecology and biology (Nasiruddin 1952b; Naqvi and Qutubuddin 1954; Ansari and Nasir 1955; Talibi and Hussain 1956 and Afridi, Talibi and Hussain 1958). Information about the culicine mosquitoes of Pakistan is still very meager. However, studies on bionomics, filariasis and cytogenetics have added some information concerning the distributional record of mosquitoes (Nasiruddin 1952a; Qutubuddin 1960; Tariq 1967; Aslamkhan and Baker 1969; Aslamkhan and Salman 1969; Baker and Aslamkhan 1969; Khan and Ameen 1970 and Aslamkhan and Wolfe 1971).

The synoptic catalog of the mosquitoes of the world and its four supplements (Stone, Knight and Starcke 1959; Stone 1961, 1963, 1967 and 1970) list only 42 species of mosquitoes occurring in Pakistan. To this could be added another 26 species which are Oriental, Palaearctic, Holarctic Ethiopian or Cosmotropical in distribution. The known number of mosquito species of Pakistan is 134. The list below consists of 37 species, 2 sub-species and 1 variety of anopheline and 89 species, 4 sub-species and 1 variety of culicine mosquitoes belonging to 15 genera and 28 sub-genera in East Pakistan (E) and West Pakistan (W). It includes only those species which have definitely been recorded from a known locality of Pakistan. Species reported in the literature as occurring in the "Western Himalayas", "Punjab" or "Bengal" have been excluded although they are very likely to be present, as has been pointed out by Ansari (1958). The names and taxonomic position have been corrected according to the synoptic catalog of the mosquitoes of the world. The numbers in the last column represent some of the references concerning these particular species. A + sign denotes collection by the author.

Anopheles (Anopheles)

<u>barbirostris</u> van der Wulp, 1884.	W, E 4,8,12,21,22,33
<u>barianensis</u> James, 1911.	W, - 4,12,23,33
<u>bengalensis</u> Puri, 1930*.	-, E 8,29
<u>gigas</u> Giles, 1901.	W, E 12,33
<u>gigas</u> var <u>similensis</u> (James, 1911).	W, E 4,12,33
<u>habibi</u> Mulligan and Puri, 1936.	W, - 22,33
<u>lindesayi</u> Giles, 1900.	W, - 4,12,19,23,33
<u>nigerrimus</u> Giles, 1900.	W, E 3,6,8,12,19,21
<u>umbrosus</u> (Theobald, 1903).	-, E 12,22

Anopheles (Cellia)

<u>aconitus</u> Dönitz, 1902.	-, E 8,12,21,22,23,33
<u>annularis</u> van der Wulp, 1884.	W, E 6,12,19,21,34
<u>culicifacies</u> Giles, 1901.	W, E 3,6,8,12,19,23
<u>dthali</u> Patton, 1905.	W, - 4,12,19,22,23,33
<u>fluviatilis</u> James, 1902.	W, E 3,4,12,19,23,33
<u>jamesii</u> Theobald, 1901.	-, E 12,22,23,33
<u>jeyporiensis</u> James, 1902.	-, E 8,12,23,33
<u>karwari</u> (James, 1903).	-, E 12,22,33
<u>kochi</u> Dönitz, 1901.	-, E 12,23,33

*Anopheles aitkenii ssp bengalensis raised to specific level. 29.

<u>leucosphyrus</u> Dönitz, 1901.	-, E 8,22
<u>maculatus</u> Theobald, 1901.	W, E 12,22,23,33,34
<u>maculatus</u> ssp <u>willmori</u> (James, 1903).	W, E 4,12,19,22,33
<u>minimus</u> Theobald, 1901.	-, E 12,21,22,33
<u>moghulensis</u> Christophers, 1924.	W, - 12,22,33
<u>multicolor</u> Cambouliu, 1902.	W, - 12,22,23,33
<u>pallidus</u> Theobald, 1901.	W, E 4,12,21,22,23,33
<u>philippinensis</u> Ludlow, 1902.	-, E 12,21,22,23,33
<u>pulcherrimus</u> Theobald, 1902.	W, - 3,4,7,12,19,23
<u>ramsayi</u> Covell, 1927.	-, E 12,21,22,23,33
<u>sergenti</u> (Theobald, 1907).	W, - 12,22,23,33
<u>splendidus</u> Koizumi, 1920.	W, E 3,4,12,19,23,33
<u>stephensi</u> Liston, 1901.	W, E 4,7,12,19,23,33
<u>stephensi</u> ssp <u>mysorensis</u> Sweet & Rao, 1937.	W, - 1,32
<u>subpictus</u> Grassi, 1899.	W, E 3,12,19,21
<u>sundaicus</u> (Rodenwaldt, 1925).	-, E 12,21,22,23.
<u>superpictus</u> Grassi, 1899.	W, - 12,19,22,23,33,34
<u>tessellatus</u> Theobald, 1901.	-, E 12,22,23,33
<u>theobaldi</u> Giles, 1901.	W, E 4,12,13,33
<u>turkhudi</u> Liston, 1901.	W, - 3,4,12,19,22,23
<u>vagus</u> Dönitz, 1902.	-, E 8,12,21,22,23,33
<u>varuna</u> Iyengar, 1924.	-, E 12,21,22,23,33
<u>Toxorhynchites</u> (<u>Toxorhynchites</u>)	
<u>albipes</u> (Edwards, 1922).	W, - 11
<u>splendens</u> (Wiedemann, 1819).	-, E 11,20
<u>Tripteroides</u> (<u>Rachionotomyia</u>)	
<u>aranoides</u> (Theobald, 1901).	-, E 8

Malayagenurostris Leicester, 1908. -, E 11jacobsoni (Edwards, 1930). -, E 11Ficalbia (Ficalbia)minima (Theobald, 1901). -, E 6,11Ficalbia (Mimomyia)chamberlaini ssp, clavipalpus (Theobald, 1908). W, E 6,11,+hybrida (Leicester, 1908). -, E 6,11Coquillettidia (Coquillettidia)crassipes (van der Wulp, 1881). W, E 11,+ochracea (Theobald, 1903). -, E 11Mansonia (Mansonioides)annulifera (Theobald, 1901). -, E 11,+dives (Schiner, 1868). -, E 11indiana Edwards, 1930. W, E 8uniformis (Theobald, 1901). W, E 7,8,11Uranotaeniaunguiculata Edwards, 1913. W, - 11Orthopodomyiaanopheloides (Giles, 1903). -, E 20Aedeomyiacatasticta Knab, 1909. -, E 11,+Heizmaniacovelli Barraud, 1929. -, E 20Aedes (Mucidus)scatophagoides (Theobald, 1901). W, E 7,8,11,+Aedes (Ochlerotatus)caspius (Pallas, 1771). W, - 7,11,34

<u>pulchritarsis</u> (Rondani, 1872).	W, - 11
<u>pulchritarsis</u> var. <u>versicolor</u> (Barraud, 1924).	W, - 11
<u>pulchritarsis</u> ssp. <u>asiaticus</u> Edwards, 1926.	W, - 11
<u>pullatus</u> (Coquillett, 1904).	W, - 11

Aedes (Finlaya)

<u>albolateralis</u> (Theobald, 1908).	W, E 11
<u>assamensis</u> (Theobald, 1908).	-, E 8,11,+
<u>christophersi</u> Edwards, 1922.	W, - 11
<u>dissimilis</u> (Leicester, 1908).	-, E 11
<u>khazani</u> Edwards, 1922.	-, E 11,20
<u>lophoventralis</u> (Theobald, 1910).	-, E 11,+
<u>niveus</u> (Ludlow, 1903).	-, E 11
<u>oreophilus</u> Edwards, 1916.	W, - 11,+
<u>pseudotaeniatus</u> (Giles, 1901).	W, E 11,20,+
<u>pulchriventer</u> (Giles, 1901).	W, - 11,+
<u>shortti</u> (Barraud, 1923).	W, - 11
<u>sintoni</u> (Barraud, 1924).	W, - 11,+

Aedes (Christophersiomyia)

<u>thomsoni</u> (Theobald, 1905).	W, E 7,8,11,+
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Aedes (Stegomyia)

<u>aegypti</u> (Linnaeus, 1762).	W, E 11,15,20,25,+
<u>albopictus</u> (Skuse, 1894).	W, E 7,8,11,15,20,25
<u>annandalei</u> (Theobald, 1910).	-, E 20,+
<u>patriciae</u> Mattingly, 1954.	W, - 11,17,27
<u>unilineatus</u> (Theobald, 1906).	W, - 7,11,25,+
<u>vittatus</u> (Bigot, 1861).	W, E 11,20,25,+
<u>w-albus</u> (Theobald, 1905).	W, E 7,25,+

Aedes (Aedimorphus)

<u>caecus</u> (Theobald, 1901).	W, E 8,11,34
<u>culicinus</u> Edwards, 1922.	W, - 7,11
<u>pallidostriatus</u> (Theobald, 1907).	W, E 8,25,+
<u>pipersalatus</u> (Giles, 1901).	W, E 25
<u>punctifemoris</u> (Ludlow, 1921).	-, E 5,8
<u>taeniorhynchoides</u> (Christophers, 1911).	W, - 7
<u>vexans</u> (Meigen, 1830).	W, - 11

Aedes (Indusius)

<u>pulverulentus</u> Edwards, 1922.	W, - 11,+
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Aedes (Neomelaniconion)

<u>lineatopennis</u> (Ludlow, 1905).	W, E 7,8,11,+
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Aedes (Diceromyia)

<u>iyengari</u> Edwards, 1923.	-, E 20
<u>micropterus</u> (Giles, 1901).	W, - 11,25,+
<u>periskelatus</u> (Giles, 1902).	W, - 16,+
<u>reginae</u> Edwards, 1922.	-, E 20

Aedes (Neomacleaya)

<u>andamanensis</u> Edwards, 1922.	-, E 11
<u>indicus</u> (Theobald, 1907).	W, - 7,11,25,+
<u>yusafi</u> Barraud, 1931.	W, - 7,+

Armigeres (Armigeres)

<u>subalbatus</u> (Coquillett, 1898).	W, E 7,8,9,15,20,25
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Armigeres (Leicesteria)

<u>magnus</u> (Theobald, 1908).	-, E 8,11,+
<u>flavus</u> (Leicester, 1908).	-, E 11,+

Culiseta (Culiseta)

<u>alaskaensis</u> ssp, <u>indica</u> (Edwards, 1920).	W, - 25,29
<u>niveitaeniata</u> (Theobald, 1907).	W, - 11

Culiseta (Allotheobaldia)longiareolata (Macquart, 1838).

W, - 7,11,+

Culex (Lutzia)fuscus Wiedemann, 1820.

W, E 7,9,11,25

halifaxii Theobald, 1903*

W, E 7,9,25,30

Culex (Barraudius)modestus Ficalbi, 1889.

W, - 11

Culex (Neoculex)brevipalpis (Giles, 1902).

-, E 11,20

quettensis Mattingly, 1955.

W, - 18

Culex (Mochthogenes)malayi (Leicester, 1908).

W, - 11

Culex (Lophoceraomyia)minutissimus (Theobald, 1907).

W, - 11,25

Culex (Culiciomyia)nigropunctatus Edwards, 1926.

-, E 11

pallidothorax Theobald, 1905.

W, E 11,20

viridiventer Giles, 1901.

W, - 11,+

Culex (Culex)afridii Qutubuddin, 1956.

-, E 24

barraudi Edwards, 1922.

W, - 11,25

bitaeniorhynchus Giles, 1901.

W, E 7,8,9,11,25,+

epidesmus (Theobald, 1910).

W, E 7,8,+

fuscocephalus Theobald, 1907.

W, E 8,11,20,+

gelidus Theobald, 1901.

W, E 8,11,15,+

mimeticus Noe, 1899.

W, - 11,25,34,+

*Culex raptor synonymized with C. halifaxii. 30.

<u>mimulus</u> Edwards, 1915.	W, E 7,11
<u>pipiens fatigans</u> Wiedemann, 1828.	W, E 7,8,11,15,20,25,34
<u>pseudovishnui</u> Colless, 1957.	W, E 8,9,+
<u>sinensis</u> Theobald, 1903.	-, E 8
<u>sitiens</u> Wiedemann, 1828	W, E +
<u>theileri</u> Theobald, 1903.	W, - 6,7,8,11,25,+
<u>tritaeniorhynchus</u> Giles, 1901.	W, E 7,8,9,11,15,25,34
<u>univittatus</u> Theobald, 1901.	W, - 7,11,25,34,+
<u>vagens</u> Wiedemann, 1828.	W, E 8,11,34,+
<u>vishnui</u> Theobald, 1901.*	W, E 11,20,25,30,31,+
<u>whitmorei</u> (Giles, 1904).	W, E 8,+

*Culex annulus, synonymized with C. vishnui. 30.

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