## Benthic algae communities in the coastal part of Ömerli Dam Lake (Istanbul, Turkey)

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Abstract-Benthic algae communities living in the costal part of Ömerli Dam Lake were investigated in samples collected at four stations between Nov. 2002 and Aug. 2003. There were determined 39 taxa from the surface mud sediment (as epipelic algae community). Navicula gracilis, Fragilaria ulna var. acus and Fragilaria ulna of Bacillariophyceae and Cosmarium margaritatum, Scenedesmus quadricauda of Chlorophyceae (with Desmidiales) occurred in great numbers. Also 35 taxa of Bacillariophyceae, Chlorophyceae, Cyanobacteria (Cyanoprokaryota), Cryptophyceae and Euglenophyceae were taken from gravel-stone substratum (as epilithic algae community). Navicula gracilis, Closterium acutum and Cosmarium margaritatum were common species.

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