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ABSTRACT

There are 11 *Salvia* (Sage) species which are the members of the Lamiaceae family located in Cyprus. *Salvia veneris* Hedge was chosen as a study material which is endemic plant species to Northern Cyprus. Field surveys, conducted between March-June 2017, have attempted to determine the distribution area and population size of the species. For this purpose, sampling stations points are identified in the areas where the plant is located and coordinates of these points are taken with GPS. Also at these points adult and young individuals were counted. Distribution and population size analysis of this plant were performed with the Distance 7.0 software. As the result of the study 10 localities were determined for *S. veneris* species and these localities constitute an area of 10.19 km². The number of individuals in the field is 74,595. According to the IUCN (2012) categories, the threatened species category is CR B1b(i, ii, ii). *S. veneris* is a critically endangered plant species which has a narrow distribution area of less than 100 km² and the quality of habitat area continues to decline. For this reason, this species has a high risk of extinction in the wild.

Keywords: *Salvia veneris*; Lamiaceae; Distribution; Population size; Endemic; Cyprus

ÖZET

Kıbrıs'ta Lamiaceae familyasına ait 11 tane *Salvia* (Adaçayı) türü gözlemlenmektedir. Kuzey Kıbrıs'a endemik olan *Salvia veneris* Hedge türü çalışma materyali olarak seçilmiştir. 2017 Mart-Haziran ayları arasında gerçekleştirilen arazi çalışmaları ile bu türün yayılış alanı ve populasyon boyutu belirlenmeye çalışılmıştır. Bu amaçla bitkinin bulunduğu alanlarda noktasal çalışma istasyonları belirlendi ve bu noktaların GPS ile koordinatları alındı. Ayrıca bu noktalardaki ergin ve genç bireylerin sayımı yapılmıştır. Bitkinin dağılımı ve populasyon boyutu ile ilgili analizler Distance 7.0 programı ile gerçekleştirilmiştir. Bu çalışmadaki analizler sonucunda türün bulunduğu 10 lokalite belirlenmiş olup türün yaklaşık 10.19km² bir alanda yayılış gösterdiği belirlenmiştir. Çalışmalar sonucunda bu alan içerisindeki birey sayısı 74,595 olarak hesaplanmıştır. Bu verilere ve IUCN (2012) kategorilerine göre türün tehlike kategorisi CR B1b(i,ii,iii) olarak belirlenmiştir. IUCN kategorilerine göre *S. veneris* kritik derecede tehlike altındadır. 100 km²'den az, dar yayılış alanına sahip olması ve yaşam alanının kalitesi düşmeye devam etmesi sebebiyle vahşi doğada aşırı derecede yok olma riski ile karşı karşıyadır.

Anahtar Sözcükler: *Salvia veneris*; Lamiaceae; Dağılım; Populasyon boyutu; Endemik; Kıbrıs

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

The Mediterranean Basin is one of the world's richest places in terms of plant and animal diversity. This diverse region, is a mosaic of natural and cultural landscapes, where human civilization and wild nature have coexisted for centuries. The Mediterranean is particularly noted for the diversity of its plants about 25,000 species are native to the region, and more than half of these are endemic species (Cuttelod et al., 2008). This richness of biodiversity has led to the Mediterranean being recognized as one of the first 25 Global Biodiversity Hotspots (Myers et al., 2000).

Mediterranean Basin comprises one of the largest groups of islands in the world with almost 5,000 islands and islets. Mediterranean islands are showing extraordinary features, with high rates of endemism, and act as a natural laboratory (Cuttelod et al., 2008).

Cyprus is an island in Mediterranean Basin. It is the third largest island in the Mediterranean and it has an area of approximately 9,251 km². North Cyprus has an area of approximately 3,355 km². The climate of Cyprus is arid Mediterranean, with a relatively short, cool, wet winter, followed by long, dry, very hot summer. However, there is sufficient diversity in topography and microclimates to allow for an unexpectedly large range of plant communities (Meikle, 1977).

1.1 Flora of Cyprus

The first scientific study about flora of Cyprus began with the arrival of John Sibthorp and his companions at Larnaca, in April 1787 (Meikle, 1977; Tsintides, 1998). After Sibthorp many other botanists and collectors did studies about Cyprus flora and they did large number of different scientific publications. These botanists and collectors are the Austrian Karl Georg Theodor Kotschy, the Italian Gregorio Rigo, the German Paul Ernst Emil Sintenis, the Norwegian Jens Holmboe, Manoog Haradjian, Harald Lindberg, Mr. A. Syngrossides, A. K. Jackson, W. B. Turrill, Mrs. E. W. Kennedy, Dr. P. H. Davis, Mr. G. A.

Mavromoustakis, Mrs. E. F. Chapman, Mr. L. F. H. Merton, Mr. Edwards C. Casey, Miss G. E. Atherton and Mrs. N. Macdonald (Meikle, 1977; Tsintides, 1998). Karl Georg Theodor Kotschy did the most valuable studies on the Island's flora and vegetation "Studies on the Vegetation of Cyprus (1914)" and Mrs E. F. Chapman wrote a valuable guide for Cyprus woody plants "Trees and shrubs of Cyprus (1949)" (Meikle, 1977; Tsintides, 1998). R.D. Meikle wrote a valuable book about flora of Cyprus. R.D. Meikle presented the first volume of "Flora of Cyprus" in 1977 and this study was completed later in 1985, with the edition of second volume (Tsintides, 1998). The book of "Flora of Cyprus" contains detailed description of all indigenous and main introduced plant taxa which were recorded and published in Cyprus by the time (Tsintides, 1998). In Cyprus flora, the pteridophyta has 9 family, 12 genus and 20 species; the gymnosperm has 3 family, 5 genus and 12 species, the dicotyledons 89 family, 465 genus, 1206 species; monocotyledons has 18 family, 138 genus, 339 species. There are 119 family, 620 genus and 1577 species in the flora of Cyprus (Meikle, 1977,1985). The Cyprus Flora comprises about 1800 indigenous plant taxa of which about 128 are endemics (Tsintides, 1998). Cyprus flora is as rich as other mediterranean countries. However Cyprus has already lost an unknown number of plants and plant taxa known to be common are now reported as rare, threatened or endangered (Tsintides, 1998).

1.1.1 Plant habitat groups in Cyprus

Tsintides (1998) divided Cyprus plant habitat into six large groups. These are pine forests, garigues and maquis, rocky areas, coastal areas, wetlands and cultivated areas (Tsintides, 1998).

1.1.1.1 Pine forests

Pine forests constitute the most important and largest natural habitat of the wild flora of the Cyprus. They are found in the entire altitudinal spectrum, from sea level to highest level in Cyprus. Pine forests are the final vegetation community in areas where natural succession is not being constantly disrupted by human activities and where soil is not severely eroded (Tsintides, 1998).

Natural pine forests are not observed from Mesaria plain to Guzelyurt because of the low precipitation (under 350 mm). This low precipitation not allow establishment and development of natural pine forest. The pine forests divided into two zones. These are Brutia pine zone and Black pine zone. Brutia pine zone occur a tree species *Pinus brutia* Tenore. and Black pine zone occur a tree species *Pinus nigra* J.F.Arnold (Tsintides, 1998).

The Brutia pine zone: *Pinus brutia* forests distributed at the altitudes from sea level up to 1200 m and 1400 m on south facing aspects. It covers a total area of 100.000 ha, representing about 11 percent of the total area of the island. The mean annual precipitation in *Pinus brutia* zone ranges from 450 mm to 800 mm (Tsintides, 1998).

The Black pine zone: *Pinus nigra* forests distributed at the highest elevations of Trodos Forest between 1200-1900 m. *Pinus nigra* forests covers about 6000 ha but they include plant habitats which are most important to Cyprus. The mean annual precipitation in *Pinus nigra* zone ranges from 800-1000 mm. In this area snowfall and very low temperatures observed in winter (down to -10°C) and summers are cool. The pine forests include the main habitats for 50 endemic plant taxa or 40 percent of the endemic plants of Cyprus (Tsintides, 1998).

1.1.1.2 Garigues and maquis

Garigues and maquis are anthropogenic origin and an important part of Cyprus landscape. These vegetations formed as a result of soil erosion, destruction of forests by fires and overgrazing. Garigues, maquis and pine forests are formed in this order where the soil is not seriously eroded and other ecological factors are favourable, and as a result of this forests occurs again. Garigues and maquis seem to be final vegetation community where soil is very eroded. This group of habitats distributed the entire altitudinal range of Cyprus. Also this group of habitats divided into 3 subgroups. These subgroups are garigue on dry, eroded soils; garigue on moderately eroded soils and maquis (Tsintides, 1998).

Garigue on dry, eroded soils: They are distributed at low altitudes on the dry, eroded hills of the Mesaria plain, around Nicosia and in the eastern part of Larnaka district. These habitats generally distributed at the white coloured dry hills where high shrubs are completely absent

and the vegetation cover rarely exceeds 40-50 percent of the ground area. The main plant species are *Crataegus azarolus* L., *Zizyphus lotus* L., *Nonea mucronata* Forssk., *Phagnalon rupestre* L., *ssp. Rupestre*, *Thymus capitatus* L., *Fumana* spp., *Sarcopoterium spinosum* L., *Asparagus stipularis* Forssk., *Helianthemum obtusifolium* Dunal, *Asperula cypria* Ehrend. etc. (Tsintides, 1998).

Garigue on moderately eroded soils: They are distributed from sea level up to the Trodos Range in areas with moderate soil erosion and where vegetation is periodically burnt (every 5-15 years). The garigue may develop into maqui where the soil has not been affected seriously and where fire allows. Vegetation is dominated by subshrubs and low shrubs. There are also found isolated high shrubs and trees. In this vegetation area total ground cover usually exceeds 50 percent. The main plant species are *Genista sphacelata* Spach., *Calicotome villosa* Poiret., *Cistus* spp., *Lithodora hispidula* Sm., *Prasium majus* L., *Pterocephalus multiflorus* Poech, *Ephedra fragilis* Desf., *Thymus capitatus* L., *Fumana* spp., *Salvia fruticosa* Miller, *Asperula cypria* Ehrend., *Lavandula stoechas* L. etc. (Tsintides, 1998).

Maquis: They are distributed near the coast areas with precipitation more than 450 mm and at higher altitudes up to 1000m. In this vegetation area dominant plants are evergreen, sclerophyllous shrubs of different heights (1-5m). Also isolated trees, subshrubs and herbs found in this vegetation area. The main plant species of the low altitude maquis are *Juniperus phoenicea* L., *Pistacia lentiscus* L., *Ceratonia sliqua* L., *Olea europaea* L., *Cistus* spp., *Salvia fruticosa* Miller. The main species of the high altitude are *Quercus alnifolia* Poech, *Arbutus andrachne* L., *Pistacia terabinthus* L., *Quercus coccifera* L., *Crataegus* spp. etc. (Tsintides, 1998).

1.1.1.3 Rocky areas

These areas are low or high altitudes of rocky outcrops, igneous or limestone formations and slopes. The vegetation on rocky sites are sparse as expected. Plants thrive only single or in small groups in pockets, clefts, fissures, crevices, cavities, etc. at rocky areas. Usually there is no trees and shrubs and when present they attain a dwarf form. The main species of rocky areas are *Sedum* spp., *Umbilicus* spp., *Arabis* spp., *Ptilostemon chamaepeuce* Cass., *Thlaspi*

cyprium Bornm., *Asperulla cypria* Ehrend., *Micromeria* spp., *Gagea* spp., etc.. There are about 24 endemic plant species in rocky areas. Some of these species are *Dianthus cyprius* A.K. Jacks. & Turrill, *Micromeria chionistrae* Meikle etc. (Tsintides, 1998).

1.1.1.4 Coastal zone

This zone includes a narrow belt 50-150m in width along the coast, which is permanently affected by the salinity of water in the soil and the air. The vegetation is mostly low and sparse. It is composed of plants which are adapted to the specific ecological conditions prevailing near the coast and characterized mainly by the high salinity of soil and air. The main species of coastal zone are *Pancratium maritimum* L., *Cakile maritima* Scop., *Centaurea aegialophila* Wagenitz., *Crithmum maritimum* L., *Echium angustifolium* Mill., *Limonium* spp., *Medicago marina* L., *Verbascum sinuatum* L. etc.. Some of endemic plant species located in coastal zone are *Traxacum aphrogenes* Meikle and *glacucous ssp. cyprius* Meikle (Tsintides, 1998).

1.1.1.5 Wetlands

Wetlands are smallest habitat group in Cyprus. These areas contains salt lakes, main stream beds and small marshy areas. The main feature of these areas is the permanent, high availability of water and the high water table. In these areas sometimes the soil has the poor aeration because of the waterlogging of soil. In the case of salt lakes, there is high soil salinity and in these areas only certain plants can survive, such as plants belonging to the genera *Salicornia*, *Arthrocnemum*, *Sueda*, *Juncus*, etc.. The main species found in wetlands are *Alnus orientalis* Decne., *Arundo donax* L., *Laurus nobilis* L., *Mentha* spp., *Nerium oleander* L., *Platanus orientalis* L., *Rubus sanctus* Schreb., *Juncus* spp. etc.. Some of endemic plant species located in wetlands are *Mentha longifolia ssp.cyprica* Harley. and *Cyperus cyprius* C.B. Clarke (Tsintides, 1998).

1.1.1.6 Cultivated areas

Cultivated areas contains agricultural lands and edges of these lands. Also they include disturbed landscape areas and fallow areas. They occupy the largest area in Cyprus but their value as habitats is very limited. Some of endemic plant species located in cultivated areas are *Urtica dioica ssp. dioica* Lindberg. and *Onopordum cyprium* Eig (Tsintides, 1998).

1.1.2 Botanical divisions in Cyprus

Meikle (1977), illustrate the internal distribution of each species in Cyprus with 8 botanical divisions. Botanical divisions map of Cyprus shown in Figure 1.1.

1.1.2.1 Division 1

Division 1 is located in Paphos Range in Cyprus. This area is very heterogeneous as a topographically, geologically and floristically, with much natural vegetation. Its topography is consist of hills, with deep narrow gorges cut through chalk, limestone or sandstone, and with interesting areas of serpentine in the west about Smyies. In this area coasts are generally low and sandy except for a limited range of steep cliffs just N.W. of the Baths of Aphrodite. The noteworthy species found in division 1 are *Cistus monspeliensis* L., *Alyssum akamasicum* B.L. Burt, *Arenaria rhodia* ssp. *cypria* (Holmboe), *Pistacia x saportae* Burnat, *Trifolium argutum* Banks & Sol., *Arbutus unedo* L., *Phlomis lunariifolia* Sm., *Tulipa cypria* Stapf ex Turrill, *Scilla cilicica* Siehe, *Maillea crypsoides* Boiss. (Meikle, 1977).

1.1.2.2 Division 2

Division 2 is located in Trodos Range in Cyprus. Its topography consists of high but usually rounded or pyramidal, igneous peaks, with much of the ground above 4,000 feet, reaching 6,401 feet at the summit of Khionistra. It has a rich endemic flora. The most popular two endemics in division 2 are *Quercus alnifolia* Poeh and *Cedrus libani* ssp. *brevifolia* (Hook. f.) Meikle (Meikle, 1977).

1.1.2.3 Division 3

Division 3 is located in Limassol Range in Cyprus. Its topography is consists of rounded chalk hills, gradually rising inland towards the Trodos Range. Much of the ground in the Limassol Range consists of vineyards, and the coastal belt is extensively cultivated except in the west, where there are heavily grazed hills of calcareous marls and limestones. Special interest areas in this range are the Akrotiri peninsula and Salt Lake. The noteworthy species found in division 3 are *Alyssum chondrogynum* B.L. Burt, *Linum maritimum* L., *Fagonia cretica* L., *Erodium crassifolium* L'Her. ex Aiton, *Astragalus macrocarpus* ssp. *lefkarensis* Kirchhoff & Meikle, *Neurada procumbens* L., *Artedia squamata* L., *Centaurea veneris*

(Sommier) Beg, *Marsdenia erecta* (L.) R. Br., *Convolvulus x cyprius*, *Ipomoea sagittata* Poir., *Euphorbia thompsonii* Holmboe and *Cladium mariscus* L. (Meikle, 1977).

1.1.2.4 Division 4

Division 4 is located in Larnaca and Famagusta Range in Cyprus. Much of the ground is cultivated or heavily grazed, with typical Mesaria plain cornfields in the north and numerous barren, eroded chalk or limestone hills in the south of the Larnaca Salt Lake. Larnaca Salt Lake provides a habitat for halophytes. The noteworthy species found in Division 4 are *Hymenolobus procumbens* (L.) Nutt., *Matthiola fruticulosa* (L.) Maire., *Erodium crassifolium* L. and *Urginea undulata* (Desf.) Steinh., *Crambe hispanica* L., *Galium pisiferum* Boiss., *Scilla hyacinthoides* L., *Ipomoea stolonifera* (Cyr.) J.F. Gmel., *Anemone hortensis* L., *Helianthemum chamaecistus* Mill. (Meikle, 1977).

1.1.2.5 Division 5

Division 5 is located in Lefkoniko Range in Cyprus. It occupied by the flat cornfields of the Mesaria plain, with interesting weed communities on waste and fallow land (Meikle, 1977).

1.1.2.6 Division 6

Division 6 is located in Morphou and Nicosia Range in Cyprus. This range is heavily cultivated, with cornfields in the centre and East. Morphou Range has extensive Citrus groves. The noteworthy species found in Division 6 are *Argyrolobium uniflorum* (Decne.) Jaub. & Spach., *Cyclamen graecum* Link, *Achillea santolina* L., *Convolvulus oleifolius* var. *pumilus* Pamp. and *Tulipa cypria* Stapf ex Turrill (Meikle, 1977).

1.1.2.7 Division 7

Division 7 is located in Kyrenia Range in Cyprus. Kyrenia Range harbour has the rugged limestone cliffs and pinnacles and it has the richest flora in the whole island. This area is rich in endemic and rare plants. The noteworthy species found in Division 7 is *Zelkova abelicea* (Lam.) Boiss. which is distributed in St. Hilarion (Meikle, 1977).

1.1.2.8 Division 8

Division 8 is located in Rizokarpaso Range in Cyprus. This area has fertile cultivated fields, low hills and extensive sandy or rocky shores. The noteworthy species found in Division 7 are *Fumaria gaillardotii* Boiss., *Enarthrocarpus arcuatus* Labill., *Helianthemum ledifolium* L. Mill., *Aizoon hispanicum* L., *Trifolium globosum* L., *Rosmarinus officinalis* L. and *Juniperus phoenicea* L. (Meikle, 1977).

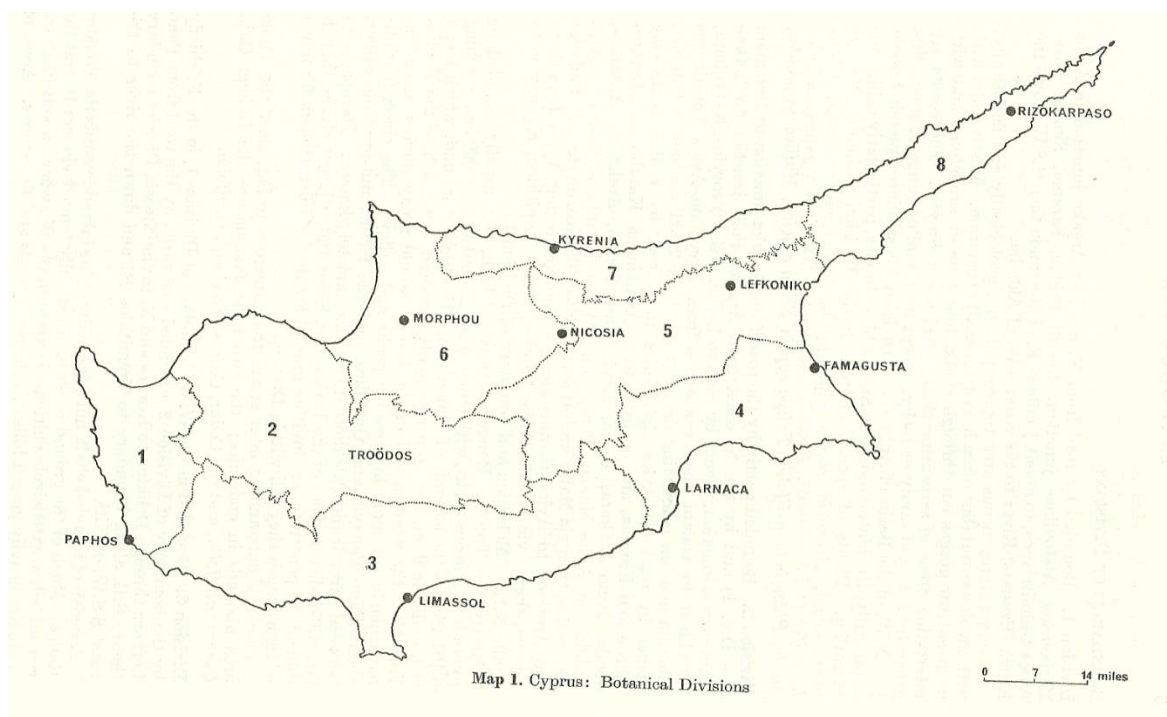


Figure 1.1: Botanical divisions map of Cyprus (Meikle, 1977)

1.2 Rare Plant Species

Plant population sizes vary in space and time both within among species and this variability is the result of complex interactions among the life history features of populations, local environmental conditions, and the historical ecology of particular species (Barrett & Kohn, 1991). Rare species are limited to a small number of population size (Estill & Cruzan, 2001). These species contain few individuals and often have restricted geographical distributions. These species are all seen as highly vulnerable to climate change, habitat loss and competitive interactions with exotic species. Rare species have importance because they can contribute significantly to long term and large scale ecosystem functioning, eventually

providing ecological insurance in variable environments where species abundances vary in time and despite its contribution to the ecosystem they destroyed disproportionately. This destruction may, in turn, alter the biogeochemical and dynamic properties of ecosystems (Mouillot et al., 2013). Rare species can be endemic at the same time if they live in a narrow area and single geographical location (Primack, 2006).

1.3 Islands and Endemism

Islands contain a significant proportion of all plant species in the world and they contribute in a disproportionately substantial manner to global biodiversity, compared to their total surface area (Kreft et al., 2008). Their biota are often characterized by narrow distributions and are particularly sensitive to biological invasions and climate change (Kreft et al., 2008). Isolation, temperature and precipitation with about equally strong effects contribute species richness in the islands (Kreft et al., 2008).

An area of endemism is an area of where species unique to a defined geographical location and these species grown naturally only in this location. Endemic species are restricted to a geographical distribution area (Estill & Cruzan, 2001).

There are four type of endemism and these are paleoendemics, neoendemics, insular endemics, ecological endemics (Daubenmire, 1978). Paleoendemics are the remnants of a once more widespread taxon; neoendemics are newly derived taxa that may increase their distribution with time; ecological endemics are taxa that have evolved a highly restrictive ecological specificity that prevents them from colonizing areas outside of their specific habitat and Insular endemics are those species that are the product of a long period of isolation (Daubenmire, 1978). Insular endemics are prominent in many island floras (Estill & Cruzan, 2001).

The flora of islands have more endemics from large land masses and have high levels of endemism (Fay, 1992). These Endemic species do not distributed randomly all along an island (Steinbauer et al. 2012, 2013). Often these species are connected to climatic changes through the years, topography, natural vegetation communities and habitat dynamics (Garzón-Machado et al., 2010; Jansson, 2003; Jetz et al., 2004).

Because of the high level of endemism of island ecosystems and the considerable degree of threat they face, nine of the 25 global biodiversity hotspots include islands or archipelagos. Biodiversity hotspots, featuring richness of rare or taxonomically unusual species and each of the areas features a separate community or biota of species that fits together as a biogeographic unit (Myers et al., 2000).

Cyprus is a oceanic origin island in Mediterranean Basin which is geologically and biogeographically isolated and due to this isolation, a large number of animals and plants, which colonized the island evolved into endemic species (Hadjikyriakou & Hadjisterkotis, 2002). Because of the variety of habitats and climatic variation, Cyprus is one of the biodiversity hotspot in the Mediterranean Basin (Myers et al. 2000; Hadjisterkotis, 2001) .

There are 128 endemic plants in Cyprus and they include 91 different species, 22 subspecies, 12 varieties, one hybrid and one form (Tsintides, 1998). These endemic plant species includes 1 tree, 14 shrubs, 19 subshrubs, 21 annual herbs and 73 perennial herbs (Tsintides, 1998).

1.4 Distribution of Salvia Species in Cyprus

Salvia (Sage) is the largest genus of the Lamiaceae family and has nearly 1000 species (Kintzios, 2000). *Salvia* species are located in Central and South America (500spp.), in western Asia (200 spp.) and in eastern Asia (100 spp.) (Alziar, 1988–1993).

Salvia is an important plant genus that has been used for many purposes for centuries. *Salvia* species are used in food preparations as flavouring and natural antioxidants, as well as traditional medicines for different therapeutic properties, essential oils used in perfumery, the flowers used as rouge, the leaves used for varicose veins, the seed oil as an emollient, the roots as a tranquiliser (De Fellice et al., 2006; Kintzios, 2000).

There are 11 *Salvia* species distributed in Cyprus. These 11 species are *Salvia aethiopis* L., *Salvia dominica* L., *Salvia fruticosa* Mill., *Salvia hierosolymitana* Boiss., *Salvia lanigera* Poir., *Salvia pinnata*, *Salvia sclarea* L., *Salvia verbenaca* L., *Salvia veneris* Hedge, *Salvia*

viridis L. and *Salvia willeana* (Holmboe) Hedge. Only *S. veneris* Hedge and *S. willeana* are endemic to Cyprus. *S. veneris* Hedge located only Northern Cyprus.

Salvia aethiopis: Biennial, sometimes perennial herb. Can reach up to 50cm high. Stems are square, stands perpendicular and woolly at the base. Leaves are at the base and they are ablong 10-20 x 4-10 cm, ovate, wrinkled and has white woolly hairs both surface. Flowering from June to July. The colour of the corolla goes from white to yellowish. Very rare indigenous species of Cyprus and it is located near Trodos square (alt. 1,700 m). In the world It is also found in Asia and Europe (Hadjikyriakou, 2007).

Salvia dominica L.: Aromatic shrub. Can reach up to 100 cm high. Leaves spread on stems. They are ablong 2.8-7.5 x 1.8-5 cm, ovate, grey-green with white hairs. Flowering from April to May. The colour of the corolla goes from white to cream. Rare indigenous species of Cyprus and it grows on rocky places near the theaters of Kourion and Soloi (alt. 20-150m). In the world it is also found in Egypt, Palestine, Syria and Lebanon (Hadjikyriakou, 2007).

Salvia fruticosa: Aromatic shrub. Can reach up to 120 cm high. Leaves are ovate, ablong 10-50 x 7-25 mm, grey green coloured and hairy. Flowering from February to July. The colour of the corolla purple, pink or white. Indigenous species of Cyprus and it is located Akamas, Lyso, Lemithou, Saittas, Prodomos, Madari, Stavrovouni, Limnatis, Lakkovounara, Agia Eirini, Karmi, Agios Amvrosios Keyneias, Akanthou, Kantara, Koilanemos, Rizokarpaso, Lefkara, Kormakitis and elsewhere (alt 0-1,500 m). In the world it is also found in Eastern Mediterranean, from Italy to Palestine (Hadjikyriakou, 2007).

Salvia hierosolymitana: Perennial herb. Can reach up to 1m high. It has purple square stems. Leaves are at the base and they are ovate and hairy. The colour of corolla dark pink or purple. Rare and scattered in meadows under Carob and facing slopes among Sytrax; recorded in recent years from near Bellapais, Çatalköy and Balalan; formerly from Yeşilköy and Yenierenköy. In the world it is also found in Syria, Lebanon and Israel (Viney, 1994).

Salvia lanigera: Aromatic subshrub. Can reach up to 40 cm high. Leaves spread on stems. Leaves are grey-green with white hairs. Flowering from January to April. The colour of the

corolla are dark purple. Locally common native species of Cyprus and located in Tunnel beach at Episkopi British base, Geri, Athlassa, Anthoupolis, Agia Erini- Syrianochori and the Larnaka area (Hadjikyriakou, 2007). Also found in central plain from Akdeniz and Kalkanlı through Ercan to Salamis. In the world also found in North Africa, Palestine, Iran and Saudi Arabia (Viney, 1994).

Salvia pinnata: Perennial herb. Can reach up to 60 cm high. Tetragonal Stems. Leaves spread on stems. Flowering April to May. The colour of the corolla are pink. A rare plant in Cyprus and located in Kyrenia, Melandrina, Antiphonitis. In the world also found in Turkey and Palestine (Meikle, 1985).

Salvia sclarea L.: Biennial or perennial herb. Can reach up to 1m high. Leaves are ovate, wrinkled, hairy and can be 15 cm long. Flowering from May to June. The colour of the corolla lilac or pale blue. Rare, indigenous species of Cyprus and it grows at roadsides, in the margins of vineyards and garrigue at Arsos Lemesou and Kollani (alt.600-700m). In the world it is also found in Mediterranean region and Asia (Hadjikyriakou, 2007).

Salvia verbenaca L: Perennial herb. Can reach up to 70 cm high. Stems are square, erect, hairy and mostly purple. Flowering from January to April. The colour of the corolla deep blue or pink. Common in most areas, in olive orchards, pinewoods, roadsides, damp garigue even on seashores in Cyprus. In the world also found in Europe and Mediterranean region (Viney, 1994).

Salvia veneris Hedge: Perennial herb. Can reach up to 40cm high. It has tetragonal, erect, hairy stems. Leaves are at the base of the stems, ovate shaped, 2.5-8 x 1.7-8 cm and they have woolly white hairs on both surface. The colour of the upper lip of corolla lilac and lower lip is yellowish. Corolla up to 25 mm long. Flowering from March to April (Hadjikyriakou, 2007). *Salvia veneris* Hedge is rare and endemic to North Cyprus. It is located in crumbling sandstone hills North and East of Değirmenlik (Viney, 1994). It is included in the Red List of Threatened Plants of the International Union Conservation of Nature (Walter & Gillet, 1998).

Salvia viridis L.: Annual herb. Can reach up to 40cm high. Stems are square, erect, hairy and often purple below. Flowering from February to April. The colour of the upper lip of corolla purple and lower lip is white. Common in most areas at low and middle altitudes on open rocky or grassy slopes and roadsides, and located between Salamis and Boğaz in Cyprus In the world also found in Mediterrenean region, Iran, Turkey, N.W. Africa (Viney, 1994).

Salvia willeana (Holmboe) Hedge: Aromatic subshrub. Can reach up to 60cm high. It has tetragonal, hairy stems. Leaves are ovate elliptic, 15-60 x 8-32mm and base of the leaves heart shaped or rounded . The colour of the corolla white-pink. Flowering from May to October. It is Endemic to Cyprus and located in the opholite rocks of the central Trodos area (alt. 1,000-1,950 m) (Hadjikyriakou, 2007). It is rare and included in the Red List of Threatened Plants of the International Union Conservation of Nature (Walter & Gillet, 1998).

1.5 The Aim of the Study

In Cyprus, total number of 128 endemic plant species have been determined and only 19 of them are endemic to Northern Cyprus (Meikle, 1977,1985; Tsintides, 1998; Viney, 1994,1996). *S. veneris* is endemic plant species to Northern Cyprus. The habitat areas of *S. veneris* is being destroyed due to human activities, stone quarries, forest fires and pollution an as a result of these actions it is under the threat of extinction (Gücel & Yıldız, 2008).It is included in the Red List of Threatened Plants of the IUCN (Walter & Gillet, 1998).

IUCN Council adopt the IUCN Red List Categories in 1994 and have become widely recognized internationally. Such broad and widespread use revealed the need for a number of improvements, and SSC was mandated by the 1996 World Conservation Congress (WCC Res. 1.4) to conduct a review of the system (IUCN, 1996). The purpose of the Red List categorization is to produce a relative estimate of the likelihood of extinction of the taxon and the Red List Criteria should be applied to a taxon based on the available evidence concerning its numbers, trend and distribution (IUCN, 2012a, 2012b).

There has not been any detailed research about distribution and population size of *S. veneris* species. Habitat distrubition modelling helps to identify the areas for species reserves,

reintroduction, and in developing effective species conservation measures (Adhikari et al., 2012).

In this study distribution area and population size of *S. veneris* has been studied to determine how much this species is in danger of extinction with using IUCN Red List Criteria.

CHAPTER 2

THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

2.1 Distribution and Population Size Analysis of Plants

Distance sampling method used for prediction of biological size at the field surveys and distance sampling data used at Distance software for calculate distribution of species.

2.1.1 Distance sampling

Distance sampling is a technique which used widely for prediction animal or plant population density or size. Distance sampling is an important method for generating prediction of size or density in difficult terrain conditions (Thomas et al., 2010).

Distance sampling methods are point transect distance sampling and line transect distance sampling. These sampling methods have been used successfully in a very various array of plant or animal taxa, including herbs, shrubs and trees, reptiles, amphibians, insects, birds, marine mammals, land mammals and fish (Buckland et al., 2005).

In the distance sampling method, the observer record the distance from the point or line to the material for each study material detected, and detection of each individual of study material is not compulsory. Distance sampling analysis can be predict the proportion of objects missed during the surveys with a detection function fit to the examined distances. This sampling method is predict population size by dividing the total count by the total area observed (Buckland et al., 2005).

Line transect distance sampling method: At the line transect method, one or more observers move throughout a line and counting all study materials within a previously decided distance of the line (Buckland et al., 2005).

Point transect distance sampling method: At the point transect method, the observer counts number of study materials (usually plants or birds) in a circle at a point. In this sampling

method, an observer visits points which randomly determined at field surveys. Also this sampling method is more appropriate from line transect sampling for difficult terrain because observer can focus on study material in field surveys instead of navigate along a line (Buckland et al., 2005).

2.1.2 Distance software

According to Thomas et al. (2010), Distance software is used at many distance sampling designs and most analyses.

- It is important to design a good survey to achieve reliable results. The Distance software built a survey design engine in the geographic information system. This property of software allows varied recommended designs to be generation of survey plans and to be analyzed via simulations.
- In the first step, the software analyzes distance sampling data by detection probability modelling. This software include 3 analysis engines for this step. First one is classic distance sampling and it models possibility of perceiving as a function of distance from the transect and assumes all materials are detected at zero distance. Second one is multiple covariate sampling and it provides covariates in addition to distance. Third one is mark recapture sampling and it provides to relaxes the estimate of specific detection at zero distance.
- These engines provide prediction of density and size.
- The Distance software can analyze line transect and point transect distance sampling.
- Distance software occurs from a graphical interface which provides users to input, import and view data. Also users can design surveys and run analysis of these survey datas.
- Geographical data, in the form of ESRI shapefiles, can also be related with each layer.

CHAPTER 3

LITERATURE REVIEW

3.1 Studies about Flora of Cyprus

Meikle (1977,1985) carried out research in Cyprus about the flora of Cyprus. Meikle wrote the book of “Flora of Cyprus” and this book contains detailed description of all indigenous and main introduced plant taxa which were recorded and published in Cyprus by the time. The book includes 9 family, 12 genus and 20 species of the pteridophyta; 3 family, 5 genus and 12 species of the gymnosperm, 89 family, 465 genus, 1206 species of the dicotyledons; 18 family, 138 genus, 339 species of the monocotyledons.

Viney (1994,1996) carried out research in North Cyprus about the flora of North Cyprus. This study is the first comprehensive and fully illustrated Flora (grasses and sedges excepted) of any part of Cyprus, or indeed, apart from the *Flora Palaestina*, of any Eastern Mediterranean region. This study includes habitats, locations and distributions of the native flowering plants species.

Tsindites (1998) carried out research in Cyprus about the endemic plants of Cyprus. This study contains detailed description about the endemic plants of Cyprus. This study includes 128 endemic plant species of Cyprus.

Hadjikyriakou (2007) carried out research in Cyprus about aromatic and spicy plants of Cyprus. This study contains detailed description about aromatic and spicy plants of Cyprus.

Hand (2000) carried out research in Cyprus on vascular plants. They used data of 61 species complete the knowledge about chorology and ecology especially in the western part of the island. In this research an emphasis is put on the distribution of species. They found two taxa, *Paronychia echinulata* Chater and *Hordeum murinum* L., were previously not known to occur in Cyprus.

Hand (2001) carried out research in Cyprus on vascular plants. They used 174 vascular plant species data and chorological aspects. They found *Setaria adhaerens* var. *fontqueri* Calduch and *Saccharum strictum* (Host) Spreng. which are new records for Cyprus and new taxonomic considerations result in the new combinations *Scutellaria cypria* subsp. *elatior* (Meikle) Hand and *Valantia hispida* var. *eburnea* (Brullo) Hand.

Hand (2003) carried out research in Cyprus on vascular plants. They used ecological and chorological data of 84 taxa of vascular plants. This study include detailed documents for the first time about *Aira elegantissima* subsp. *ambigua* (Arcang.) Doğan, *Euphorbia taurinensis* All., *Plantago major* subsp. *intermedia* (DC.) Arcang., *Ranunculus repens* L. and *Trifolium grandiflorum* Schreb.. They found taxonomic considerations result in the validation of the new combinations *Limonium cyprium* (Meikle) Hand & Buttler and *Phlomis cypria* subsp. *occidentalis* (Meikle) Hand.

Hand (2004) carried out research in Cyprus on vascular plant species. They used chorological data of 164 taxa of vascular plant species. Result of the study new record of *Chenopodium striatiforme* Murr and *Chenopodium strictum* Roth subsp. *strictum* are found.

Hand (2006) carried out research in Cyprus on vascular plant species. They used ecological and chorological data of 179 taxa of vascular plant species. They found new records of *Aethionema arabicum* (L.) DC., *Bellium minutum* L., *Cynara syriaca* Boiss., *Echium judaeum* Lacaita, *Epilobium lamyi* F.W. Schultz, *Epilobium tournefortii* Michalet, *Gypsophila linearifolia* (Fisch. & C.A. Mey.) Boiss., *Herniaria hemistemon* J. Gay, *Lolium rigidum* subsp. *lepturoides* (Boiss.) Sennen & Mauricio, *Malcolmia africana* L. R. Br. and *Silene argentea* Ledeb..

Hand (2009) carried out research in Cyprus on vascular plant species. They used chorological data of 126 taxa of vascular plant species. They found new records of 16 plant taxa species in the island. Some of these species are *Campanula fastigiata* Dufour ex Schult., *Ferula tingitana* L., *Lactuca undulata* Ledeb., *Minuartia montana* L. subsp. *montana*, *Rochelia disperma* (L. f.) K. Koch, *Sedum aetnense* Tineo and *Veronica bozakmanii* M.A. Fisch.

Hand (2011) carried out research in Cyprus on vascular plant species. They used chorological data of 76 taxa of vascular plant species. They found that one taxon is new to science, *Papaver paphium* M.V. Agab., and three new combinations *Maresia nana* var. *glabra* (Meikle) Christodoulou & Hand, *Rosa micrantha* subsp. *chionistae* H. Reichert & Hand and *Papaver cyprium* (Chrtek & Slavik) M.V. Agab.. They also found new records of several taxa. Some of these are *Centaurea calcitrapa* L. subsp. *calcitrapa*, *Euphorbia hypericifolia* L., *Euphorbia maculata* L., *Euphorbia prostrata* Aiton, *Euphorbia serpens* Kunth subsp. *serpens*, *Lathyrus clymenum* L., *Lysimachia dubia* Sol., *Marsilea aegyptiaca* Willd. and *Silene noctiflora* L..

Hand (2015) carried out research in Cyprus on vascular plant species. They used taxonomy, chorological and ecological data of 104 taxa of vascular plant species. They found two new combinations of *Myosotis paucipilosa* (Grau) Ristow & Hand and *Allium cyprium* subsp. *lefkarensis* (Brullo & al.) Christodoulou & Hand. They also found 15 plant taxa are new for Cyprus. Some of these new plant taxa are the indigenous species *Alcea acaulis* (Cav.) Alef., *Euphorbia berythea* Boiss. & Blanche, *Atriplex davisii* Aellen, *Rumex crispus* L. and alien plant taxa are *Sisymbrium altissimum* L. and *Cirsium arvense* (L.) Scop..

Chrtek & Slavik (1993) carried out research in Cyprus on 152 plant species and subspecies. They did floristic investigations. They found new record of *Otanthus marilimilis* subsp. *atlanticus* and two species new for Cyprus, *Anagallis latifolia* and *Garhadiolus angulosus*.

Chrtek & Slavik (1994) carried out research in Cyprus on 85 plant species. They did floristic investigations. They found one plant species new for Cyprus: *Saccharum spontaneum* and two new combinations of *Bromus scoparius* subsp. *chrysopogon* and *Bellevalia pieridis*. They also found 34 plant taxa as new for Cyprus.

Chrtek & Slavik (2000) carried out research in Cyprus on 159 plant taxa. They did floristic investigations. They found two new combinations of *Ranunculus cyprius* and *Pinus pallasiana* subsp. *caramanica*; *Lathyrus aphaca* subsp. *cyprius*. In this study *Bassia indica*, *Fumaria capreolata* and *Galium divaricatum* and *Lolium multiflorum* subsp. *gaudini* are reported as new for Cyprus.

3.2 Endemic Plant Species Studies in Islands in the World

Fenu et al. (2011) carried out research in Sardinia on critically endangered, extremely narrow endemic *Lamyropsis microcephala*. They used global positioning system ArcView for generate distribution map, ANOVA and Statistical v.6.0 for statistical tests. They found distribution area and status of *L. microcephala*.

Klinger et al. (2002) carried out research in Santa Cruz Island in California on herbaceous vegetation and endemic plant species. They used point transect sampling and Canonical Correspondence Analysis (CCA). Also they observed the response of herbaceous vegetation and endemic plant species to the disappearance of sheep. They found the relationship between site characteristic and species abundance. They found that total population size of endemic plant species increased and bare ground decreased after sheep were disappearance from the island.

Mauchamp et al. (1998) carried out research in four Galapagos Islands on eight endemic species. These species are *Scalesia atractyloides* Arn. (2 subspecies) on Santiago, *Lecocarpus darwinii* Adersen and *Calandrinia galapagosa* St. John on San Cristóbal, *Alternanthera nesiotes* Johnston, *Psychotria angustata* Anderss., *Lippia salicifolia* Anderss., and *Linum cratericola* Eliasson on Floreana, and *Lecocarpus lecocarpoides* (Robins. and Grenm.) Cronq. & Stuessy, on Española. They used herbarium specimens and did field surveys. They found total surface area and population size of the species.

Affre et al. (1997) carried out research on four Balearic islands in Southern France on endemic perennial herb *Cyclamen balearicum* Willk.. They used BIOSYS analysis to calculate observed heterozygosity and FSTAT software for analyze population structure. They found that population differentiation was greater among terrestrial islands. Also they found that population sizes reduced with changes in climate and human land use that may have.

Maki (2001) carried out research in Ryuku Islands on the insular endemic plant species *Aster miyagii*. They used populations sampling method, enzyme electrophoresis and a phenogram based on the standard genetic distance was obtained using the neighbor joining method using

PHYLIP version 3.5c for statistical analysis. They found population differentiation size of the *A. miyagii* species.

Furber et al. (2008) carried out research in San Clemente Island on the endemic perennial herb *Lithophragma maximum*. They used plant collection methods and DNA extraction for genetic analysis. Also they used FSTAT software for analyze population structure and several Bayesian methods of analysis to detect underlying patterns of genetic structure and recent migration of this species. They examined the impact of historical and current threats to maintenance of genetic variation of this species. They found positive correlation between genetic and geographic distances, indicative of isolation by distance.

Juan et al. (2004) carried out research in western Mediterranean on endemic plant species *Medicago critina*. They used unweighted pair group method using arithmetic averages (UPGMA) and principle coordinates analysis (PCOA) for analysed data. They found population differentiation between subpopulations.

Isik & Yucel (2017) carried out research in Antalya (Beydağları) on a monotypic relict endemic plant species *Dorystoechas hastata* Boiss et Heldr. Ex Benth. They used specimens which collected from research area as a material and measured morphological characters with using digital caliper under stereomicroscope. Also they used soil samples to determine soil characteristics. They examined *D. hastata* in terms of biological and ecological aspects.

3.3 Population Size Studies of Plant Species in the World

Jensen & Meilby (2012) carried out research in Northern Laos on critically endangered species *Aquilaria crassna*. In this research they used line transect distance sampling method. They found average density of *Aquilaria crassna* tree species. They also found the estimated densities of living saplings, small trees and larger trees of *A. crassna* species.

Schorr (2013) carried out research in Colorado on rare alpine calciphilic plant *Saussurea weberi* Hultén. In this research they used distance sampling techniques to found population

size. They found predicted density, abundance and variability of population size of *S. weberi* species.

Pauchard & Alaback (2004) carried out research in protected areas of South Central Chile on alien plant species. They used transect sampling method. They found population size of the alien plant species and effects of roads to their population density.

Acharya et al. (2000) carried out research in Nepal on rare tree species. These species are *Daphniphyllum himalayense* Muell. Arg., *Schima wallichii* Choisy, *Michelia kisopa* Buch. Ham.. They used systematic adaptive cluster sampling method. They found population size and distribution of these species.

Kessler (2001) carried out research in the Bolivian Andes on Acanthaceae, Araceae, Bromeliaceae, Melastomataceae, Palmae, and Pteridophyta plant groups. They used transect distance sampling method in 204 vegetation plots of 400 m². They found population size of these groups and change of population size of them with elevations.

Fischer & Matthies (1998a) carried out research in Switzerland on rare, short lived plant species *Gentianella germanica* (Börner) Willdenow. They used environmental conditions (topography, climate, soil) data, performance of plants in the fields, common garden experiments and statistical analysis. They found relationships between, reproduction, population size and population growth rate in 23 populations of the *Gentianella germanica*. They also found a possible relationship of population size effects on environmental variation in vegetation, topography, climate, soil, and management.

Fischer & Matthies (1998b) carried out research in Switzerland on rare plant species *Gentianella germanica* (Börner) Willdenow. They used RAPD (random amplified polymorphic DNA) profiles. They found the distribution of genetic variation and the correlation between genetic variation and population size.

Schmidt & Jensen (2000) carried out research in Germany on the rare biennial plant species *Pedicularis palustris*. They used amplified fragment length polymorphism (AFLP) profiles

to analyze genetic similarities among 129 individuals of plant. They found plant reproduction in relation to genetic structure, population size and habitat quality in 13 populations of *P. Palustris*.

Paschke et al. (2002) carried out research in Bavaria on narrowly endemic monocarpic perennial plant species *Cochlearia bavarica*. They used flowering individuals of 24 populations of *C. bavarica* and path analyses. They found population viability in relation to population size and allelic variation. They also found that population size showed positive correlations with number of flowers, fruit set per plant, number of seeds per fruit and output per plant.

3.4 Distribution Studies of the Plant Species in the World

Karousou & Kokkini (1997) carried out research in Crete island on native plant species *Salvia fruticosa* Mill. (*Labiatae*). They used herbarium specimens and fieldwork data. They found distribution and variation of morphological characters and essential oil content of the *S. fruticosa* species.

Dobson et al. (1997) carried out research in the United States on endangered species. They used a published data of endangered and threatened species in the United States. Also they used Geographic Information System (GIS) for generating distribution maps. They found total distribution area which needs to be managed to protect threatened and endangered species.

Guisan et al. (1999) carried out research in Spring Mountains in Nevada on higher plant species. They used Generalized Linear Models (GLM) and Canonical Correspondence Analysis (CCA) models. Their results show that GLM models predict better than CCA models because in GLM models a specific subset of explanatory variables can be selected, but in CCA models, all species are modeled using the same set of composite environmental variables. Also both models can be easily ported to a Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

Guisan & Zimmermann (2000) carried out a review in Switzerland on predictive habitat distribution models in ecology. In this review they present methods for predictive habitat

distribution models. These are Bayesian models, Generalized Linear Model (GLM), ordination and classification methods, neural networks and combinations of these models. They found that new powerful statistical techniques and GIS tools increased so predictive habitat distribution models has rapidly increased in ecological modelling.

Nieder et al. (2000) carried out research in lowland Amazonian rainforest of Southern Venezuela on vascular epiphytes. They used statistical tests with using Statistica 5.0 and Morisita's index of dispersion for distribution analysis. They found vertical and horizontal distribution of vascular epiphytes.

Vetaas & Grytnes (2002) carried research in Nepal on flowering plants. They used published data about distribution area and altitudes of the Nepalese flora. They also evaluate the diversity patterns with use of correlation, regression and graphical analysis. They found that location of species density in the elevation zones. They also found that the ratio of endemic species increases steadily from low to high altitudes.

McGlone et al. (2002) carried out research in New Zealand on vascular plants. They used an analysis of the factors correlated with distribution and endemism for alpine plants. Also they used ANOVA models. They modelled the relationship between the number of alpine regions that species occupy and the predictor variables. They evaluate competing views on the origin and distribution of the New Zealand flora by testing hypothesis that the geographical distribution of species is unrelated to ecological traits such as habitat requirements and dispersal ability.

Peterson et al. (2003) carried out research in North America on four alien plant species. These species are *Alliaria petiolata* (Bieb) Cavara & Grande ALAPE, *Elaeagnus angustifolia* L. ELGAN, *Hydrilla verticillata* (L.f.) Royle HYLLI and *Lespedeza cuneata* (Dum.-Cours.) G. Don LDESCU. They used referenced occurrence points of species, GARP models and geographic information system. They found that geographic distributional models and ecological niches of native distributional areas were highly statistically significant. Also they found a potential distribution area of each species.

Kriticos et al. (2004) carried out research in Australia on *Chromolaena odorata*. They used climate data and computer based eco-climatic modelling package CLIMAX. They found potential distribution of *C. odorata* in the world.

Vargas et al. (2004) carried out research in Ecuador on 36 endemic and 47 non-endemic *Anthurium* (Araceae) species. They used herbarium specimen data and Geographic Information System (GIS). They found potential distribution models of these species.

Dirnböck & Dullinger (2004) carried out research in N.E. Calcareous Alps in Austria about on alpine plants. In this research they used cover abundance values of plant species as the response and environmental variables for derived ordinal logistic regression models. Then they were added the four spatial variables for each species to its ‘environment only’ model and correlations of residual spatial patterns and functional traits were analysed by ANOVA. They found that there is a significant correlation of the amount of residual spatial autocorrelation with the dispersal capacity of the respective species.

Römermann et al. (2007) carried out research in Germany on prediction of grid based plant species distribution in mesoscale. In this research they used Generalized Linear Models (GLM) and a spatially independent optimization model. Also they used NATURA 2000 habitat maps for modelling frequencies of 24 habitats. They found that habitat frequencies and distribution could be retrieved on the basis of habitat specific species co occurrences per grid cell for the national scale.

Ullah et al. (2006) carried out research in Southern Western Ghats on narrowly endemic plant species *Aglaia bourdillonii* Gamble. They used ecological niche modelling (ENM), based on relationship between distribution data of species and climatic data. They found ecological and geographic distribution of *A. bourdillonii* species. They also found that ENM modelling is a useful tool for understanding the natural history of rare and endangered species.

Pattison & Mack (2008) carried out research in the United States on invasive tree species *Triadica sebifera*. They used a generic modelling tool which based on the climate data (CLIMEX). They found potential distribution model of *T. sebifera* species.

Giriraj et al. (2008) carried out research in India on endemic tree species *Rhododendron arboreum* Sm. ssp. *nilagiricum* (Zenker) Tagg. They used bioclimatic and topographic data, Genetic Algorithm for Rule-set Prediction (GARP) and an ecological niche modelling (ENM) method. They found spatial distribution of *R. Arboreum* species.

Kumar & Stohlgren (2009) carried out research in New Caledonia on threatened and endangered tree *Canacomyrica monticola*. They used species occurrence records, GIS environmental layers (bioclimatic, topographic), Maximum entropy distribution modelling approach to predict potential suitable habitat for *C. Monticola*. They found most suitable habitat for *C. Monticola*.

Essl et al. (2009) carried out research in Austria on endemic vascular plant species. They used grid cells, statistical analysis with R, version 2.5.1. They found distribution patterns, altitudinal distribution, habitat preference, correlation of range size and niche breadth of endemic species.

Nowak & Nobis (2010) carried out research in Zerevashan Mts in Tajikistan on 86 species of endemic vascular plants. They used literature data about distribution, life form, altitudinal range and habitat preferences. They also used herbarium records and fieldwork data. They calculate the area between all known localities of these species. They found the taxonomic structure, distribution, habitat preferences and conservation status of these 86 species.

Yoshino et al. (2010) carried out research in high moor near Akanuma in Kushiro on wetland plant communities. They used high spatial resolution of colour photographs taken with 35 mm non-metric camera mounted on cabled balloon flown over the study area. Also they used geostatistics, texture analysis and landscape metrics for environment monitoring. They found characteristics of spatial distribution of wetland plant communities.

Nowak et al. (2011) carried out research in Tadzhikistan on 1486 endemic vascular plants. They used literature and fieldwork data. They found distribution and habitat preferences of these species. They also presented conservation of these endemic species.

Adhikari et al. (2012) carried out research in Northeastern India on critically endangered tree species *Ilex khasiana* Purk.. They used 250mx250m grid cell for the pixel dimension and the model was developed using maximum entropy modelling (MaxEnt) for habitat modelling. They superimposed the predicted potential areas on Google Earth and then the predicted suitability maps were exported in KMZ format for using at Geographic Information System. They found potential habitat and total suitable area of *I. Khasiana*.

Taylor et al. (2012) carried out research in Australia on invasive shrub species *Lantana camara* L.. They used CLIMEX eco-climatic modelling package. They found potential distribution area of *L. camara* plant species under current and future climate.

Lansdown et al. (2016) carried out research in Cyprus on critically endangered species *Callitriche pulchra* Schotsm. They used known status, distribution and ecology of *C. pulchra*. Also they used Google Earth to generate distribution map. In this article they describe providing details of the new sites supporting *C. pulchra* on Cyprus and new information on the size and extent of the population on Gavdos.

3.5 *Salvia veneris* Hedge Studies

Gücel & Yıldız (2008) carried out research in North Cyprus on 10 endemic plant taxa *Ferulago cypria* (Post) H. Lindb., *Limonium albidum* subsp. *cyprium* Meikle, *Onosma caespitosum* Kotschy, *Origanum syriacum* L. var. *bevanii* (Holmes) Ietswaart, *Phlomis cypria* Post var. *cypria*, *Pimpinella cypria* Boiss., *Salvia veneris* Hedge, *Scutellaria sibthorpii* (Benth.) Halacsy, *Sideritis cypria* Post and *Teucrium cyprium* Boiss subsp. *kyreniae* P.H. Davis. In this research they used the micrographs of the seeds. They also used the fresh and dried samples for record of detailed morphological features. They found the germination possibility and survival capacity of these endemics in ex-situ conditions. In this research they found *S. veneris* can developed vegetatively and developed fruits in ex-situ conditions.

Yıldız & Gücel (2006) carried out research in Northern Cyprus on 16 endemic taxa *Arabis cypria* Holmboe, *Brassica hilarionis* Post, *Delphinium caseyi* B.L. Burt, *Dianthus cyprius* A. K. Jackson & Turrill, *Hedysarum cyprium* Boiss., *Onosma caespitosum* Kotschy, *Origanum syriacum* L., *Phlomis cypria* Post var. *cypria*, *Pimpinella cypria* Boiss., *Rosularia pallidiflora* (Holmboe) Meikle, *Salvia veneris* Hedge, *Scutellaria sibthorpii*, *Sedum lampusae* (Kotschy) Boiss., *Sidetris cypria*, *Teucrium cyprium* subsp. *kyreniae* and *Silene fraudatrix* Meikle. In this research they collected mature seeds from plants in the field and the seeds were germinated on filter paper placed inside petri dishes. They found that chromosome numbers and basic chromosome number in 13 plant taxa were the same as previously reported for other species in the genus and *S. veneris* is one of them.

Dereboyu et al. (2010) carried out research in Cyprus on endemic species *Salvia willeana* (Holmboe) Hedge and *Salvia veneris* Hedge. In this research they used PRIOR binocular light microscope for anatomical studies and palynological observations. They compared anatomical and palynological characteristics of *Salvia veneris* and *Salvia willeana* with other studies conducted on *Salvia* genus.

Yıldız et al. (2009) carried out research in Northern Cyprus on 19 endemic plant taxa *Arabis cypria* Holmboe, *Brassica hilarionis* Post, *Delphinium caseyi* B.L.Burt, *Dianthus cyprius* A.K. Jackson et Turrill, *Ferulago cypria* H.Wolf, *Hedysarum cyprium* Boiss., *Limonium albidum* (Guss.) Pignatti subsp. *cyprium* Meikle, *Onosma caespitosum* Kotschy, *Origanum syriacum* L. var. *bevanii* (Holmes) Ietswaart, *Phlomis cypria* Post var. *cypria*, *Pimpinella cypria* Boiss., *Rosularia cypria* (Holmboe) Meikle, *Rosularia pallidiflora* (Holmboe) Meikle, *Salvia veneris* Hedge, *Scutellaria sibthorpii* (Benth) Hal., *Sedum lampusae* (Kotschy) Boiss., *Silene fraudatrix* Meikle, *Sideritis cypria* Post and *Teucrium cyprium* Boiss. subsp. *kyreniae* P.H.Davis. They used light (LM) and scanning electron microscopy (SEM) for investigate palynology of these endemics. They found that the largest pollen grains were found in *S. veneris*.

Kadis et al. (2010) carried out research in Cyprus on endemic, rare and threatened aromatic plants *Micromeria cypria*, *Salvia veneris*, and *Teucrium divaricatum* ssp. *canescens*, *Salvia willeana* and *Nepeta troodi*. Seeds of these species collected and they did germination

experiments. They did experiments in Petri dishes lined with two filter paper discs and moistened with 2.5- 3ml of deionized water, GA3 or KNO3 solution. They used temperature controlled plant growth cabinets. They found that seed germination in the dark for the *S. veneris* species is favored at relatively low temperatures (10-20°C).

Polatoğlu et al. (2015) carried out research in Northern Cyprus on endemic species *Salvia veneris* Hedge. They used PC3, HeLa, CaCo-2, MCF-7, U87MG, HEK293, Mpanc-96 cell lines for evaluated cytotoxicity of the species.. They report the biological activities of ethanol extract of this species.

Polatoğlu et al. (2017) carried out research in Northern Cyprus on endemic species *Salvia veneris* Hedge. They collected *S. veneris* during the flowering period and then isolate essential oils of it. They used gas chromatography-mass spectrometry analysis. They found that the essential oil composition of *S. veneris* afforded very high fumigant insecticidal activity against the primary stored product insects namely *Sitophilus granarius* and *Sitophilus oryzae* as well as *Oryzaephilus surinamensis*. The oil of *S. veneris* also has remarkable contact toxicity against *Spodoptera exigua*.

Toplan et al (2017) carried out research in Cyprus on endemic plant species *Salvia veneris* Hedge. They used GC-MS and LC-MS/MS methods for analyze the essential oil and phenolic compounds of methanol extract from aerial parts of *S. veneris* species. Firstly they found rosmarinic acid as a major compound in the methanol extract. Secondly they found significant correlation between antioxidant activity and phenolic compounds. They also found potential of *S. veneris* species for food industries, cosmetic and pharmaceutical.

CHAPTER 4

MATERIALS AND METHODS

4.1 Study Area

The survey area is located in Northern Cyprus, at the south of the Beşparmak Mountains and north of the Mesaria plain. It consists four villages. These are from west to east Hamitköy, Taşkent, Güngör and Değirmenlik. Hamitköy is at the east and north of Nicosia, at the west of Haspolat, at the south of Dikmen, Kaynakköy and Taşkent. Taşkent is at the east and south of Kaynakköy, at the west of Güngör and at the north of Haspolat and Hamitköy. Güngör is at the east of Taskent, at the west of Değirmenlik, at the north of Minareliköy and Haspolat and at the south of Arapköy. Değirmenlik is at the east of Güngör, at the west of Alevkayasi, at the north of Minareliköy, Demirhan, Beyköy and at the south of Arapköy. The study area has crumbling sandstone hills, plains and dry stream beds. Physical map of Cyprus shown in Figure 4.1 and survey area shown in Figure 4.2.



Figure 4.1: Physical map of Cyprus



Figure 4.2: Survey area –Map generated with Google Earth. Sembols are from west to east H: Hamitköy, T: Taşkent, G: Güngör, D: Değirmenlik

In the literature review, it was seen that *Salvia veneris* is a rare plant species of Değirmenlik and it is found above pillow lava outcrops. Güngör, Taşkent and Hamitköy nearby Değirmenlik also they have similar soil and topography properties which *S. veneris* can grow. Different areas with similar habitat characteristic were also checked for presence of *S.veneris*. For these reasons this study area was chosen. Study area map shown in Figure 4.3.



Figure 4.3: Study area map –Map generated with Google Earth.

4.2 Material

In this study our material is *Salvia veneris* which is a endemic plant species to Northern Cyprus. Field surveys about research material was conducted at the flowering phase of *S. veneris* H. between April – June 2017. Young individual of study material shown in Figure 4.3 and mature individual of study material shown in Figure 4.4.



Figure 4.4: General view of young *Salvia veneris* individual -Photo taken with Canon Eos 100D by İzel Hacıoğulları.



Figure 4.5: General view of mature *Salvia veneris* individual -Photo taken with Canon Eos 100D by İzel Hacıoğulları.

4.3 Methods

4.3.1 Field survey

In this study distance sampling method used in field surveys. The main methods for distance sampling are line transect distance sampling and point transect distance sampling. These methods used for estimating the size or abundance of plant and animal populations. Point transect sampling method used in field surveys. In this sampling method, an observer visits points which randomly determined at field surveys. This sampling method selected because it is more appropriate from line transect sampling for difficult terrain. Also the observer can focus on study material in field surveys instead of navigate along a line (Buckland et al., 2005).

The coordinates of all points were recorded with GPS. Young and mature individuals of the material counted in order to determine the population size.

4.3.2 Distribution and population size analysis

The distribution and population size of *S. veneris* species was analyzed with distance 7.0 software using the GPS data and the counted number of individuals received in field survey. This software used for design and analysis of distance sampling data. Also this software predict size and abundance of a population (Laake et al.,1996). The Distance software was selected because it can analyze of distance sampling data which is point transect.

CHAPTER 5

RESULTS & DISCUSSION

5.1 Results

In this section, results about distribution area and individual number of study material *S. veneris* has been given. In the field studies *S. veneris* was observed only around Hamitköy, Taşkent, Güngör and Değirmenlik unlike the previous reports. No other populations were observed in other areas. In this study it was observed that this species flowering phase between March and June.

5.1.1 Hamitköy Sampling Stations of *Salvia veneris* Hedge

In the field studies, the coordinates of 76 sampling stations of *S. veneris* in Hamitköy were taken with GPS. These coordinates entered into Google Earth. Hamitköy sampling stations map shown in Figure 5.1. Coordinates of sampling stations and individual numbers of study material in Hamitköy shown in Table 5.1.

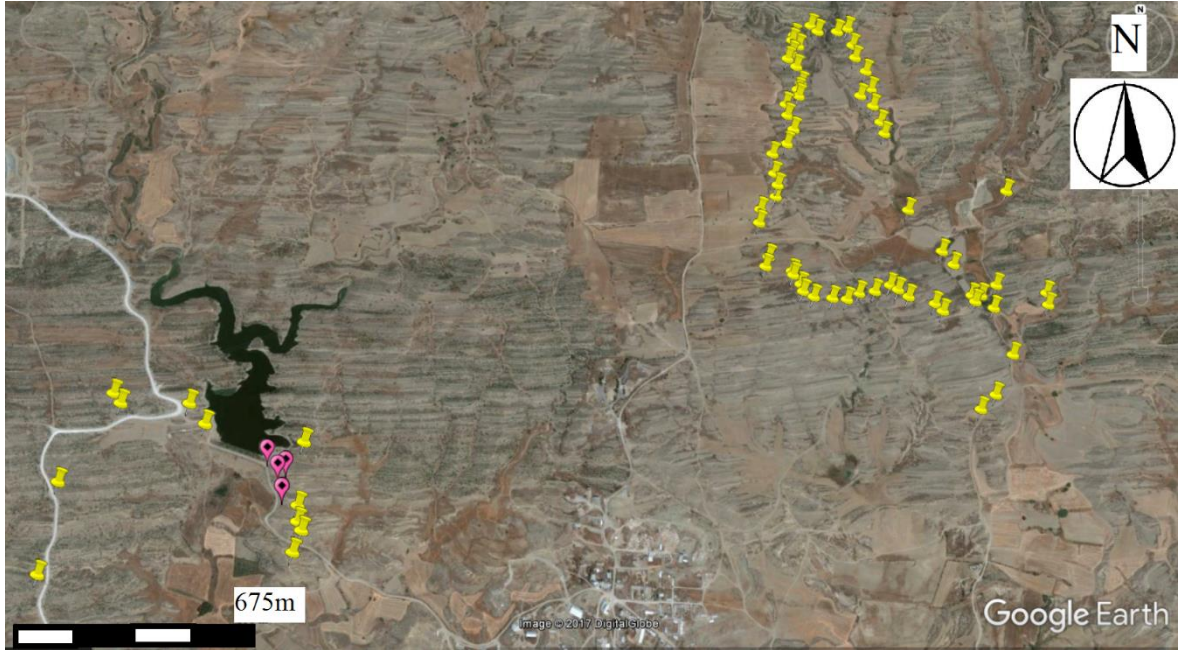


Figure 5.1: Hamitköy sampling stations of *S. veneris* – Map generated with Google Earth. *S. veneris* is seen at pink points and not seen at the yellow points.

Table 5.1: Hamitköy sampling stations of *S. veneris*

	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude	Young individual Number	Mature individual Number	Number of <i>Salvia veneris</i>
H1	35°14'7.11"N	33°21'49.92"E	164m	67	69	136
H2	35°14'5.97"N	33°21'52.18"E	170m	46	57	103
H3	35°14'5.62"N	33°21'51.25"E	168m	225	332	557
H4	35°14'3.48"N	33°21'51.84"E	168m	0	4	4
H5	35°14'2.33"N	33°21'53.33"E	169m	0	0	0
H6	35°14'0.81"N	33°21'53.33"E	167m	0	0	0
H7	35°13'60.00"N	33°21'53.82"E	165m	0	0	0
H8	35°13'57.97"N	33°21'52.87"E	163m	0	0	0
H9	35°14'8.27"N	33°21'53.81"E	171m	0	0	0
H10	35°14'10.00"N	33°21'42.06"E	164m	0	0	0
H11	35°14'11.95"N	33°21'40.16"E	168m	0	0	0
H12	35°14'11.96"N	33°21'32.24"E	175m	0	0	0
H13	35°14'12.89"N	33°21'31.39"E	179m	0	0	0
H14	35°14'4.52"N	33°21'25.57"E	175m	0	0	0
H15	35°13'55.94"N	33°21'23.85"E	169m	0	0	0
H16	35°14'11.47"N	33°23'12.80"E	176m	0	0	0
H17	35°14'12.84"N	33°23'14.60"E	178m	0	0	0
H18	35°14'16.69"N	33°23'16.91"E	177m	0	0	0
H19	35°14'21.52"N	33°23'21.34"E	182m	0	0	0
H20	35°14'22.67"N	33°23'21.19"E	184m	0	0	0
H21	35°14'23.46"N	33°23'15.36"E	180m	0	0	0
H22	35°14'32.78"N	33°23'17.12"E	186m	0	0	0
H23	35°14'21.23"N	33°23'14.93"E	179m	0	0	0
H24	35°14'21.84"N	33°23'12.73"E	183m	0	0	0
H25	35°14'20.87"N	33°23'8.74"E	190m	0	0	0
H26	35°14'21.59"N	33°23'7.84"E	192m	0	0	0
H27	35°14'22.27"N	33°23'4.74"E	192m	0	0	0
H28	35°14'22.96"N	33°23'3.52"E	193m	0	0	0
H29	35°14'23.39"N	33°23'2.62"E	193m	0	0	0
H30	35°14'22.81"N	33°23'0.82"E	188m	0	0	0
H31	35°14'22.63"N	33°22'58.94"E	189m	0	0	0
H32	35°14'22.02"N	33°22'57.50"E	190m	0	0	0
H33	35°14'22.13"N	33°22'55.74"E	192m	0	0	0
H34	35°14'22.24"N	33°22'53.51"E	196m	0	0	0
H35	35°14'22.74"N	33°22'52.25"E	200m	0	0	0
H36	35°14'23.42"N	33°22'51.96"E	203m	0	0	0
H37	35°14'24.32"N	33°22'51.10"E	206m	0	0	0
H38	35°14'24.68"N	33°22'50.95"E	207m	0	0	0
H39	35°14'25.12"N	33°22'47.82"E	212m	0	0	0
H40	35°14'26.09"N	33°22'48.22"E	209m	0	0	0

Table 5.1: (Continued). Hamitköy sampling stations of *S. veneris*

H41	35°14'29.47"N	33°22'47.24"E	205m	0	0	0
H42	35°14'30.80"N	33°22'47.42"E	204m	0	0	0
H43	35°14'32.10"N	33°22'49.30"E	202m	0	0	0
H44	35°14'33.25"N	33°22'49.55"E	203m	0	0	0
H45	35°14'34.40"N	33°22'49.19"E	205m	0	0	0
H46	35°14'36.38"N	33°22'49.04"E	204m	0	0	0
H47	35°14'37.43"N	33°22'50.81"E	203m	0	0	0
H48	35°14'38.90"N	33°22'51.67"E	204m	0	0	0
H49	35°14'40.31"N	33°22'50.95"E	206m	0	0	0
H50	35°14'41.42"N	33°22'50.77"E	206m	0	0	0
H51	35°14'42.32"N	33°22'52.39"E	204m	0	0	0
H52	35°14'42.97"N	33°22'52.28"E	204m	0	0	0
H53	35°14'43.62"N	33°22'52.72"E	204m	0	0	0
H54	35°14'45.35"N	33°22'52.21"E	205m	0	0	0
H55	35°14'46.14"N	33°22'51.17"E	208m	0	0	0
H56	35°14'46.75"N	33°22'51.67"E	206m	0	0	0
H57	35°14'47.51"N	33°22'52.54"E	204m	0	0	0
H58	35°14'48.08"N	33°22'51.78"E	205m	0	0	0
H59	35°14'48.59"N	33°22'52.03"E	204m	0	0	0
H60	35°14'49.67"N	33°22'54.12"E	202m	0	0	0
H61	35°14'49.09"N	33°22'54.98"E	201m	0	0	0
H62	35°14'49.06"N	33°22'57.36"E	200m	0	0	0
H63	35°14'49.38"N	33°22'58.62"E	202m	0	0	0
H64	35°14'47.62"N	33°22'59.16"E	201m	0	0	0
H65	35°14'46.36"N	33°22'59.45"E	200m	0	0	0
H66	35°14'44.95"N	33°23'0.71"E	197m	0	0	0
H67	35°14'43.15"N	33°23'1.28"E	195m	0	0	0
H68	35°14'42.47"N	33°22'59.95"E	195m	0	0	0
H69	35°14'41.42"N	33°23'1.46"E	193m	0	0	0
H70	35°14'39.77"N	33°23'2.29"E	192m	0	0	0
H71	35°14'38.62"N	33°23'2.72"E	191m	0	0	0
H72	35°14'30.91"N	33°23'5.28"E	184m	0	0	0
H73	35°14'26.81"N	33°23'9.10"E	181m	0	0	0
H74	35°14'25.48"N	33°23'10.39"E	182m	0	0	0
H75	35°14'22.45"N	33°23'12.34"E	182m	0	0	0
H76	35°14'22.45"N	33°23'13.49"E	182m	0	0	0

5.1.2 Taşkent Sampling Stations of *Salvia veneris* Hedge

In the field studies, the coordinates of 146 sampling stations of *S. veneris* in Taşkent were taken with GPS. These coordinates entered into Google Earth. Taşkent sampling stations

map shown in Figure 5.2. Coordinates of sampling stations and individual numbers of study material in Taškent shown in Table 5.2.

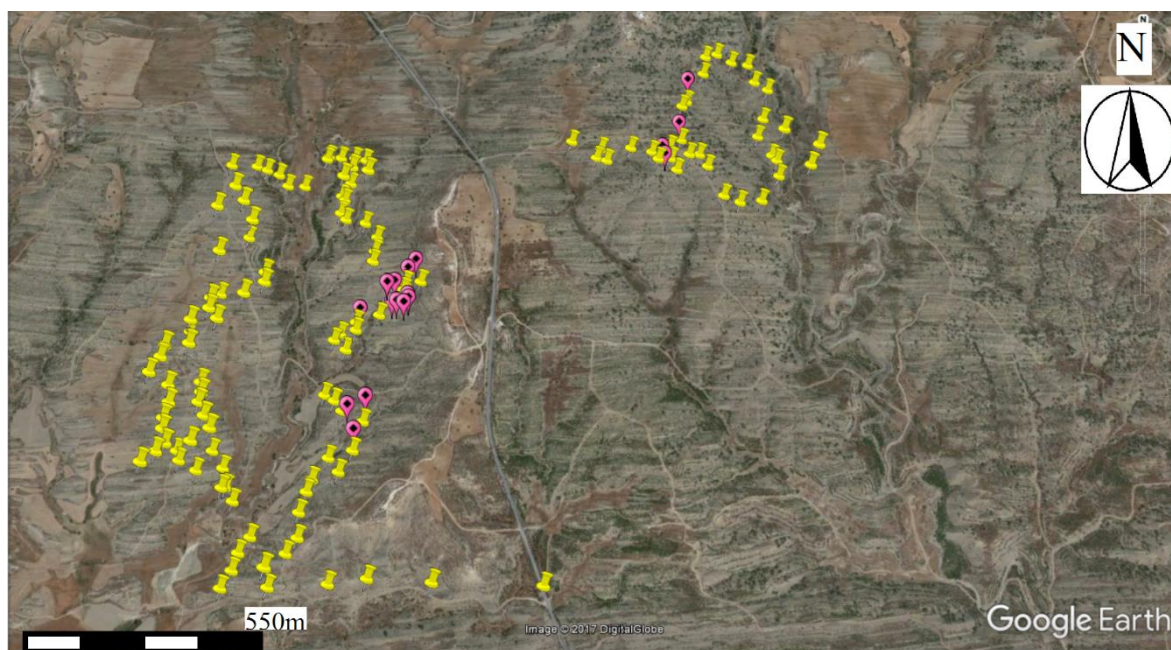


Figure 5.2: Taškent sampling stations of *S. veneris* – Map generated with Google Earth. *S. veneris* is seen at pink points and not seen at the yellow points.

Table 5.2: Taškent sampling stations of *S. veneris*

	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude	Young individual Number	Mature individual Number	Number of <i>Salvia veneris</i>
T1	35°14'31.31"N	33°23'48.44"E	208m	0	0	0
T2	35°14'31.42"N	33°23'37.90"E	202m	0	0	0
T3	35°14'31.63"N	33°23'31.74"E	199m	0	0	0
T4	35°14'31.16"N	33°23'28.07"E	195m	0	0	0
T5	35°14'30.84"N	33°23'22.42"E	194m	0	0	0
T6	35°14'32.10"N	33°23'18.71"E	189m	0	0	0
T7	35°14'30.73"N	33°23'17.88"E	187m	0	0	0
T8	35°14'33.47"N	33°23'19.07"E	188m	0	0	0
T9	35°14'34.73"N	33°23'20.00"E	189m	0	0	0
T10	35°14'37.57"N	33°23'17.70"E	187m	0	0	0
T11	35°14'38.65"N	33°23'16.40"E	189m	0	0	0
T12	35°14'38.72"N	33°23'16.84"E	189m	0	0	0
T13	35°14'40.24"N	33°23'16.26"E	191m	0	0	0
T14	35°14'41.64"N	33°23'14.96"E	194m	0	0	0

Table 5.2: (Continued). Taşkent sampling stations of *S. veneris*

T15	35°14'39.98"N	33°23'13.70"E	194m	0	0	0
T16	35°14'40.74"N	33°23'11.90"E	199m	0	0	0
T17	35°14'41.53"N	33°23'11.51"E	200m	0	0	0
T18	35°14'40.50"N	33°23'8.06"E	197m	0	0	0
T19	35°14'41.38"N	33°23'9.39"E	200m	0	0	0
T20	35°14'42.09"N	33°23'10.19"E	201m	0	0	0
T21	35°14'42.32"N	33°23'12.68"E	200m	0	0	0
T22	35°14'43.47"N	33°23'14.33"E	198m	0	0	0
T23	35°14'43.30"N	33°23'9.66"E	201m	0	0	0
T24	35°14'44.21"N	33°23'9.54"E	201m	0	0	0
T25	35°14'44.49"N	33°23'13.58"E	201m	0	0	0
T26	35°14'45.63"N	33°23'12.83"E	203m	0	0	0
T27	35°14'45.56"N	33°23'9.81"E	203m	0	0	0
T28	35°14'46.49"N	33°23'12.92"E	204m	0	0	0
T29	35°14'47.35"N	33°23'12.71"E	205m	0	0	0
T30	35°14'47.06"N	33°23'9.44"E	203m	0	0	0
T31	35°14'48.21"N	33°23'7.19"E	202m	0	0	0
T32	35°14'49.59"N	33°23'8.07"E	205m	0	0	0
T33	35°14'50.66"N	33°23'8.31"E	206m	0	0	0
T34	35°14'50.82"N	33°23'10.80"E	208m	0	0	0
T35	35°14'51.94"N	33°23'10.72"E	209m	0	0	0
T36	35°14'52.99"N	33°23'10.50"E	208m	0	0	0
T37	35°14'53.12"N	33°23'13.26"E	210m	0	0	0
T38	35°14'54.09"N	33°23'12.22"E	211m	0	0	0
T39	35°14'55.04"N	33°23'12.22"E	210m	0	0	0
T40	35°14'55.46"N	33°23'13.24"E	212m	0	0	0
T41	35°14'55.55"N	33°23'15.62"E	212m	0	0	0
T42	35°14'56.68"N	33°23'17.58"E	210m	0	0	0
T43	35°14'57.59"N	33°23'17.50"E	210m	0	0	0
T44	35°14'59.57"N	33°23'12.26"E	215m	0	0	0
T45	35°15'0.97"N	33°23'15.25"E	216m	0	0	0
T46	35°15'2.70"N	33°23'15.23"E	215m	0	0	0
T47	35°15'4.04"N	33°23'11.18"E	218m	0	0	0
T48	35°15'4.64"N	33°23'13.96"E	217m	0	0	0
T49	35°15'6.10"N	33°23'12.77"E	219m	0	0	0
T50	35°15'8.35"N	33°23'11.98"E	220m	0	0	0
T51	35°15'8.35"N	33°23'14.75"E	215m	0	0	0
T52	35°15'7.99"N	33°23'15.94"E	215m	0	0	0
T53	35°15'7.52"N	33°23'17.34"E	213m	0	0	0
T54	35°15'6.41"N	33°23'18.49"E	212m	0	0	0
T55	35°15'6.37"N	33°23'20.36"E	212m	0	0	0
T56	35°15'9.29"N	33°23'22.42"E	215m	0	0	0
T57	35°15'9.54"N	33°23'22.60"E	215m	0	0	0
T58	35°15'9.40"N	33°23'23.96"E	215m	0	0	0

Table 5.2: (Continued). Taškent sampling stations of *S. veneris*

T59	35°15'9.36"N	33°23'25.51"E	216m	0	0	0
T60	35°15'9.14"N	33°23'26.77"E	217m	0	0	0
T61	35°15'8.38"N	33°23'25.30"E	215m	0	0	0
T62	35°15'8.04"N	33°23'27.12"E	216m	0	0	0
T63	35°15'7.47"N	33°23'24.46"E	213m	0	0	0
T64	35°15'6.73"N	33°23'25.40"E	214m	0	0	0
T65	35°15'5.04"N	33°23'24.97"E	212m	0	0	0
T66	35°15'5.44"N	33°23'24.58"E	212m	0	0	0
T67	35°15'3.71"N	33°23'24.68"E	210m	0	0	0
T68	35°15'3.06"N	33°23'25.37"E	211m	0	0	0
T69	35°15'2.66"N	33°23'27.56"E	214m	0	0	0
T70	35°15'1.15"N	33°23'29.08"E	220m	0	0	0
T71	35°14'59.78"N	33°23'29.00"E	219m	0	0	0
T72	35°14'58.81"N	33°23'28.90"E	219m	0	0	0
T73	35°14'56.11"N	33°23'31.09"E	219m	31	28	59
T74	35°14'56.22"N	33°23'31.88"E	221m	18	9	27
T75	35°14'56.04"N	33°23'32.53"E	223m	0	0	0
T76	35°14'56.65"N	33°23'32.68"E	225m	0	0	0
T77	35°14'57.37"N	33°23'33.22"E	229m	45	11	56
T78	35°14'58.09"N	33°23'34.01"E	234m	14	2	16
T79	35°14'56.69"N	33°23'34.33"E	232m	0	0	0
T80	35°14'54.89"N	33°23'32.68"E	221m	0	0	0
T81	35°14'54.92"N	33°23'33.43"E	224m	2	2	4
T82	35°14'54.60"N	33°23'33.54"E	224m	4	8	12
T83	35°14'54.20"N	33°23'33.07"E	221m	25	12	37
T84	35°14'54.38"N	33°23'32.28"E	218m	58	11	69
T85	35°14'54.35"N	33°23'31.81"E	216m	3	2	5
T86	35°14'53.77"N	33°23'30.19"E	211m	0	0	0
T87	35°14'53.70"N	33°23'28.50"E	211m	12	23	35
T88	35°14'53.09"N	33°23'27.82"E	210m	0	0	0
T89	35°14'52.40"N	33°23'27.89"E	208m	0	0	0
T90	35°14'52.01"N	33°23'26.34"E	207m	0	0	0
T91	35°14'51.47"N	33°23'25.73"E	205m	0	0	0
T92	35°14'50.60"N	33°23'27.06"E	205m	0	0	0
T93	35°14'46.57"N	33°23'25.44"E	200m	0	0	0
T94	35°14'46.07"N	33°23'26.52"E	202m	0	0	0
T95	35°14'45.17"N	33°23'27.42"E	203m	0	0	0
T96	35°14'45.06"N	33°23'28.32"E	204m	84	45	129
T97	35°14'45.82"N	33°23'30.08"E	206m	211	61	272
T98	35°14'44.27"N	33°23'29.69"E	205m	0	0	0
T99	35°14'42.94"N	33°23'29.26"E	206m	215	126	341
T100	35°14'41.78"N	33°23'29.04"E	208m	0	0	0
T101	35°14'41.17"N	33°23'26.66"E	201m	0	0	0
T102	35°14'39.95"N	33°23'27.92"E	208m	0	0	0

Table 5.2: (Continued). Taškent sampling stations of *S. veneris*

T103	35°14'39.37"N	33°23'25.30"E	200m	0	0	0
T104	35°14'38.36"N	33°23'24.94"E	200m	0	0	0
T105	35°14'36.67"N	33°23'24.50"E	202m	0	0	0
T106	35°14'34.66"N	33°23'24.68"E	200m	0	0	0
T107	35°14'33.43"N	33°23'23.71"E	197m	0	0	0
T108	35°14'32.28"N	33°23'21.80"E	193m	0	0	0
T109	35°15'11.09"N	33°23'49.70"E	240m	0	0	0
T110	35°15'10.33"N	33°23'52.98"E	242m	0	0	0
T111	35°15'10.33"N	33°23'56.26"E	248m	0	0	0
T112	35°15'9.94"N	33°23'58.60"E	248m	0	0	0
T113	35°15'9.90"N	33°24'0.07"E	247m	3	28	31
T114	35°15'9.97"N	33°24'3.89"E	238m	0	0	0
T115	35°15'8.22"N	33°24'1.37"E	243m	0	0	0
T116	35°15'10.58"N	33°24'0.61"E	246m	0	0	0
T117	35°15'12.56"N	33°24'1.98"E	243m	3	30	33
T118	35°15'11.41"N	33°24'1.87"E	243m	0	0	0
T119	35°15'15.08"N	33°24'2.02"E	244m	0	0	0
T120	35°15'15.59"N	33°24'2.56"E	244m	0	0	0
T121	35°15'17.28"N	33°24'3.02"E	248m	1	5	6
T122	35°15'18.65"N	33°24'4.50"E	250m	0	0	0
T123	35°15'20.48"N	33°24'4.79"E	255m	0	0	0
T124	35°15'20.88"N	33°24'6.12"E	253m	0	0	0
T125	35°15'20.09"N	33°24'7.78"E	247m	0	0	0
T126	35°15'19.91"N	33°24'9.68"E	243m	0	0	0
T127	35°15'18.07"N	33°24'10.40"E	239m	0	0	0
T128	35°15'17.32"N	33°24'11.88"E	234m	0	0	0
T129	35°15'14.11"N	33°24'11.20"E	232m	0	0	0
T130	35°15'12.20"N	33°24'10.51"E	230m	0	0	0
T131	35°15'10.26"N	33°24'11.99"E	226m	0	0	0
T132	35°15'9.76"N	33°24'12.56"E	224m	0	0	0
T133	35°15'8.17"N	33°24'12.71"E	222m	0	0	0
T134	35°15'5.54"N	33°24'10.66"E	223m	0	0	0
T135	35°15'5.22"N	33°24'8.24"E	229m	0	0	0
T136	35°15'5.80"N	33°24'6.48"E	233m	0	0	0
T137	35°15'8.78"N	33°24'4.79"E	236m	0	0	0
T138	35°15'9.94"N	33°24'2.77"E	240m	0	0	0
T139	35°15'9.36"N	33°24'0.72"E	245m	0	0	0
T140	35°15'9.11"N	33°24'0.36"E	245m	0	1	1
T141	35°15'9.25"N	33°23'59.32"E	248m	0	0	0
T142	35°15'9.11"N	33°23'53.63"E	240m	0	0	0
T143	35°15'9.40"N	33°23'52.51"E	240m	0	0	0
T144	35°15'11.42"N	33°24'17.35"E	228m	0	0	0
T145	35°15'9.29"N	33°24'16.27"E	224m	0	0	0
T146	35°15'13.07"N	33°24'13.57"E	228m	0	0	0

5.1.3 Güngör Sampling Stations of *Salvia veneris* Hedge

In the field studies, the coordinates of 170 sampling stations of *S. veneris* in Güngör were taken with GPS. These coordinates entered into Google Earth. Güngör sampling stations map shown in Figure 5.3. Coordinates of sampling stations and individual numbers of study material in Güngör shown in Table 5.3.

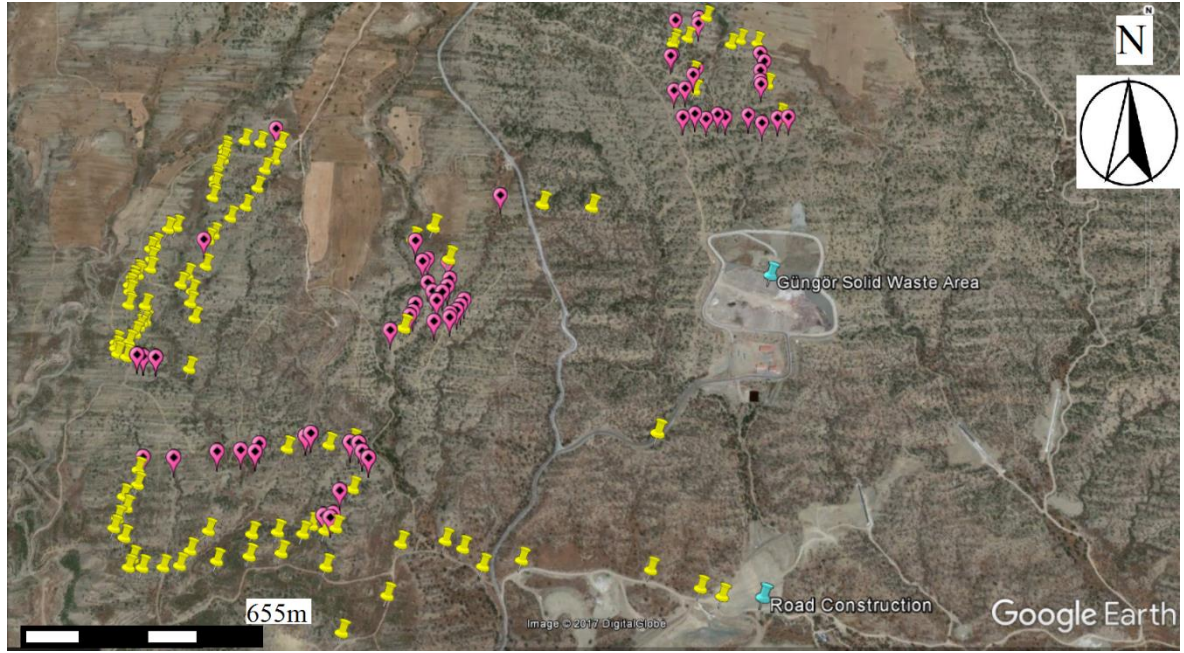


Figure 5.3: Güngör sampling stations of *S. veneris* – Map generated with Google Earth. *S. veneris* is seen at pink points and not seen at the yellow points.

Table 5.3: Güngör sampling stations of *S. veneris*

	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude	Young individual Number	Mature individual Number	Number of <i>Salvia veneris</i>
G1	35°15'4.42"N	33°25'8.87"E	244m	17	13	30
G2	35°15'3.90"N	33°25'8.48"E	243m	11	8	19
G3	35°15'3.41"N	33°25'8.08"E	242m	24	12	36
G4	35°15'2.72"N	33°25'7.31"E	241m	41	9	50
G5	35°15'2.32"N	33°25'5.53"E	239m	185	30	215
G6	35°15'3.12"N	33°25'7.36"E	241m	171	76	247
G7	35°15'4.34"N	33°25'5.70"E	241m	87	35	122

Table 5.3: (Continued). Güngör sampling stations of *S. veneris*

G8	35°15'5.17"N	33°25'6.31"E	248m	42	7	49
G9	35°15'5.73"N	33°25'6.86"E	243m	5	4	9
G10	35°15'6.46"N	33°25'7.08"E	244m	36	40	76
G11	35°15'8.13"N	33°25'6.74"E	245m	6	0	6
G12	35°15'9.07"N	33°25'6.42"E	246m	0	0	0
G13	35°15'8.40"N	33°25'4.36"E	245m	3	20	23
G14	35°15'8.16"N	33°25'3.80"E	244m	5	2	7
G15	35°15'6.06"N	33°25'4.56"E	243m	16	26	42
G16	35°15'5.20"N	33°25'5.20"E	241m	16	17	33
G17	35°15'3.96"N	33°25'3.29"E	240m	12	9	21
G18	35°15'3.22"N	33°25'3.02"E	238m	37	29	66
G19	35°15'2.83"N	33°25'2.71"E	238m	31	51	82
G20	35°15'2.30"N	33°25'1.66"E	236m	0	0	0
G21	35°15'1.42"N	33°25'0.57"E	235m	26	8	34
G22	35°15'10.18"N	33°25'2.85"E	248m	16	13	29
G23	35°15'10.90"N	33°25'2.13"E	249m	0	0	0
G24	35°15'12.20"N	33°25'4.40"E	252m	0	0	0
G25	35°15'14.85"N	33°25'12.52"E	256m	8	0	8
G26	35°15'14.70"N	33°25'17.08"E	256m	0	0	0
G27	35°15'14.66"N	33°25'22.88"E	242m	0	0	0
G28	35°14'53.02"N	33°25'30.85"E	213m	0	0	0
G29	35°15'26.46"N	33°25'32.95"E	247m	20	38	58
G30	35°15'26.82"N	33°25'34.32"E	241m	193	226	419
G31	35°15'27.50"N	33°25'35.15"E	236m	0	0	0
G32	35°15'28.48"N	33°25'35.33"E	234m	230	97	327
G33	35°15'29.27"N	33°25'35.83"E	231m	42	27	69
G34	35°15'29.56"N	33°25'34.97"E	234m	0	0	0
G35	35°15'30.42"N	33°25'32.56"E	240m	304	191	495
G36	35°15'30.56"N	33°25'32.77"E	239m	3	10	13
G37	35°15'32.69"N	33°25'32.45"E	236m	0	0	0
G38	35°15'33.16"N	33°25'32.63"E	234m	0	0	0
G39	35°15'33.44"N	33°25'34.32"E	232m	0	0	0
G40	35°15'34.27"N	33°25'36.01"E	233m	400	346	746

Table 5.3: (Continued). Güngör sampling stations of *S. veneris*

G41	35°15'34.56"N	33°25'33.17"E	235m	6	47	53
G42	35°15'34.88"N	33°25'36.08"E	234m	2	12	14
G43	35°15'35.78"N	33°25'36.66"E	236m	0	0	0
G44	35°15'32.76"N	33°25'39.65"E	233m	0	0	0
G45	35°15'33.23"N	33°25'40.84"E	236m	0	0	0
G46	35°15'32.87"N	33°25'42.89"E	239m	0	0	0
G47	35°15'30.89"N	33°25'43.57"E	239m	235	171	406
G48	35°15'30.02"N	33°25'44.08"E	238m	86	49	135
G49	35°15'29.02"N	33°25'43.57"E	237m	4	15	19
G50	35°15'28.30"N	33°25'44.08"E	237m	0	0	0
G51	35°15'27.94"N	33°25'43.54"E	235m	150	11	161
G52	35°15'27.54"N	33°25'43.61"E	235m	63	23	86
G53	35°15'24.98"N	33°25'45.44"E	240m	0	0	0
G54	35°15'24.41"N	33°25'45.91"E	240m	0	0	0
G55	35°15'23.90"N	33°25'46.78"E	241m	6	12	18
G56	35°15'23.80"N	33°25'45.48"E	240m	5	2	7
G57	35°15'23.36"N	33°25'43.64"E	232m	4	11	15
G58	35°15'24.26"N	33°25'42.02"E	227m	28	3	31
G59	35°15'24.05"N	33°25'39.25"E	225m	25	16	41
G60	35°15'24.30"N	33°25'38.32"E	226m	10	25	35
G61	35°15'23.69"N	33°25'36.88"E	233m	19	16	35
G62	35°15'24.12"N	33°25'35.51"E	238m	15	25	40
G63	35°15'23.65"N	33°25'34.03"E	242m	26	35	61
G64	35°15'21.20"N	33°24'45.47"E	269m	20	11	31
G65	35°15'20.44"N	33°24'45.76"E	269m	0	0	0
G66	35°15'18.79"N	33°24'45.14"E	264m	0	0	0
G67	35°15'17.82"N	33°24'44.06"E	258m	0	0	0
G68	35°15'16.02"N	33°24'43.31"E	250m	0	0	0
G69	35°15'14.18"N	33°24'42.05"E	242m	0	0	0
G70	35°15'13.07"N	33°24'40.32"E	237m	0	0	0
G71	35°15'11.38"N	33°24'38.52"E	231m	0	0	0
G72	35°15'10.84"N	33°24'37.94"E	230m	0	0	0
G73	35°15'10.12"N	33°24'37.84"E	228m	36	13	49

Table 5.3: (Continued). Güngör sampling stations of *S. veneris*

G74	35°15'8.28"N	33°24'37.91"E	225m	0	0	0
G75	35°15'7.31"N	33°24'35.93"E	224m	0	0	0
G76	35°15'6.41"N	33°24'35.24"E	223m	0	0	0
G77	35°15'5.72"N	33°24'36.65"E	223m	0	0	0
G78	35°15'4.57"N	33°24'36.61"E	222m	0	0	0
G79	35°15'3.10"N	33°24'37.30"E	220m	0	0	0
G80	35°14'58.27"N	33°24'37.30"E	213m	0	0	0
G81	35°14'58.52"N	33°24'33.84"E	216m	1	0	1
G82	35°14'58.56"N	33°24'32.44"E	219m	13	15	28
G83	35°14'58.70"N	33°24'31.72"E	220m	24	11	35
G84	35°14'59.24"N	33°24'30.06"E	221m	0	0	0
G85	35°14'59.50"N	33°24'29.02"E	222m	0	0	0
G86	35°15'0.04"N	33°24'28.69"E	222m	0	0	0
G87	35°15'0.58"N	33°24'28.66"E	222m	0	0	0
G88	35°15'0.65"N	33°24'30.13"E	222m	0	0	0
G89	35°15'1.48"N	33°24'30.71"E	222m	0	0	0
G90	35°15'2.16"N	33°24'31.07"E	222m	0	0	0
G91	35°15'2.70"N	33°24'31.68"E	222m	0	0	0
G92	35°15'2.59"N	33°24'31.32"E	222m	0	0	0
G93	35°15'3.28"N	33°24'31.39"E	222m	0	0	0
G94	35°15'4.21"N	33°24'31.43"E	223m	0	0	0
G95	35°15'4.25"N	33°24'29.52"E	224m	0	0	0
G96	35°15'5.54"N	33°24'29.45"E	225m	0	0	0
G97	35°15'6.19"N	33°24'29.30"E	225m	0	0	0
G98	35°15'6.55"N	33°24'29.56"E	225m	0	0	0
G99	35°15'6.95"N	33°24'29.52"E	226m	0	0	0
G100	35°15'7.24"N	33°24'30.17"E	226m	0	0	0
G101	35°15'7.52"N	33°24'29.99"E	226m	0	0	0
G102	35°15'7.88"N	33°24'31.50"E	226m	0	0	0
G103	35°15'8.82"N	33°24'31.46"E	227m	0	0	0
G104	35°15'9.86"N	33°24'31.21"E	228m	0	0	0
G105	35°15'10.26"N	33°24'31.75"E	228m	0	0	0
G106	35°15'11.88"N	33°24'33.01"E	229m	0	0	0

Table 5.3: (Continued). Güngör sampling stations of *S. veneris*

G107	35°15'12.10"N	33°24'33.98"E	229m	0	0	0
G108	35°15'15.16"N	33°24'37.91"E	236m	0	0	0
G109	35°15'16.45"N	33°24'38.05"E	238m	0	0	0
G110	35°15'17.03"N	33°24'37.94"E	239m	0	0	0
G111	35°15'18.25"N	33°24'38.23"E	241m	0	0	0
G112	35°15'19.04"N	33°24'38.74"E	244m	0	0	0
G113	35°15'19.76"N	33°24'38.84"E	246m	0	0	0
G114	35°15'20.23"N	33°24'38.74"E	248m	0	0	0
G115	35°15'20.88"N	33°24'41.22"E	255m	0	0	0
G116	35°15'20.56"N	33°24'43.20"E	261m	0	0	0
G117	35°14'38.69"N	33°25'38.06"E	188m	0	0	0
G118	35°14'39.34"N	33°25'35.69"E	191m	0	0	0
G119	35°14'40.85"N	33°25'30.25"E	189m	0	0	0
G120	35°14'41.46"N	33°25'16.10"E	200m	0	0	0
G121	35°14'40.85"N	33°25'11.89"E	202m	0	0	0
G122	35°14'42.36"N	33°25'9.62"E	206m	0	0	0
G123	35°14'43.01"N	33°25'7.68"E	210m	0	0	0
G124	35°14'42.65"N	33°25'2.86"E	217m	0	0	0
G125	35°14'40.52"N	33°24'54.86"E	212m	0	0	0
G126	35°14'41.64"N	33°24'49.75"E	205m	0	0	0
G127	35°14'41.32"N	33°24'46.19"E	198m	0	0	0
G128	35°14'43.26"N	33°24'46.22"E	196m	0	0	0
G129	35°14'43.48"N	33°24'49.10"E	201m	0	0	0
G130	35°14'43.37"N	33°24'51.95"E	206m	0	0	0
G131	35°14'44.12"N	33°24'52.88"E	208m	0	0	0
G132	35°14'43.66"N	33°24'54.40"E	212m	0	0	0
G133	35°14'43.91"N	33°24'55.62"E	216m	0	0	0
G134	35°14'44.27"N	33°24'54.54"E	213m	3	2	5
G135	35°14'44.09"N	33°24'55.33"E	216m	5	1	6
G136	35°14'44.45"N	33°24'55.62"E	216m	2	0	2
G137	35°14'46.50"N	33°24'56.16"E	218m	26	8	34
G138	35°14'47.40"N	33°24'57.17"E	221m	0	0	0
G139	35°14'49.49"N	33°24'59.11"E	224m	11	5	16

Table 5.3: (Continued). Güngör sampling stations of *S. veneris*

G140	35°14'50.06"N	33°24'58.36"E	223m	17	6	23
G141	35°14'50.82"N	33°24'57.89"E	223m	35	1	36
G142	35°14'50.89"N	33°24'56.92"E	223m	80	0	80
G143	35°14'51.72"N	33°24'56.77"E	224m	0	0	0
G144	35°14'51.36"N	33°24'54.07"E	217m	0	0	0
G145	35°14'51.68"N	33°24'52.34"E	215m	14	3	17
G146	35°14'51.43"N	33°24'51.77"E	213m	0	3	3
G147	35°14'51.00"N	33°24'49.32"E	209m	0	0	0
G148	35°14'50.67"N	33°24'46.54"E	203m	84	16	100
G149	35°14'49.94"N	33°24'46.15"E	202m	127	21	148
G150	35°14'50.06"N	33°24'44.50"E	202m	5	2	7
G151	35°14'49.88"N	33°24'41.90"E	203m	18	0	18
G152	35°14'49.24"N	33°24'37.12"E	203m	34	15	49
G153	35°14'49.20"N	33°24'33.70"E	204m	29	5	34
G154	35°14'48.80"N	33°24'32.87"E	205m	0	0	0
G155	35°14'47.47"N	33°24'32.98"E	203m	0	0	0
G156	35°14'46.36"N	33°24'31.64"E	205m	0	0	0
G157	35°14'45.38"N	33°24'32.11"E	203m	0	0	0
G158	35°14'44.41"N	33°24'31.32"E	204m	0	0	0
G159	35°14'43.55"N	33°24'31.07"E	204m	0	0	0
G160	35°14'42.72"N	33°24'32.29"E	201m	0	0	0
G161	35°14'40.13"N	33°24'33.12"E	198m	0	0	0
G162	35°14'40.92"N	33°24'33.44"E	198m	0	0	0
G163	35°14'40.13"N	33°24'34.56"E	194m	0	0	0
G164	35°14'40.20"N	33°24'36.72"E	187m	0	0	0
G165	35°14'40.38"N	33°24'38.52"E	187m	0	0	0
G166	35°14'41.71"N	33°24'39.53"E	190m	0	0	0
G167	35°14'43.48"N	33°24'41.36"E	194m	0	0	0
G168	35°14'40.85"N	33°24'42.59"E	191m	0	0	0
G169	35°14'38.15"N	33°25'1.78"E	217m	0	0	0
G170	35°14'34.94"N	33°24'57.20"E	219m	0	0	0

5.1.4 Değirmenlik Sampling Stations of *Salvia veneris* Hedge

In the field studies, the coordinates of 94 sampling stations of *S. veneris* in Değirmenlik were taken with GPS. These coordinates entered into Google Earth. Değirmenlik sampling stations map shown in Figure 5.4. Coordinates of sampling stations and individual numbers of study material in Değirmenlik shown in Table 5.4.

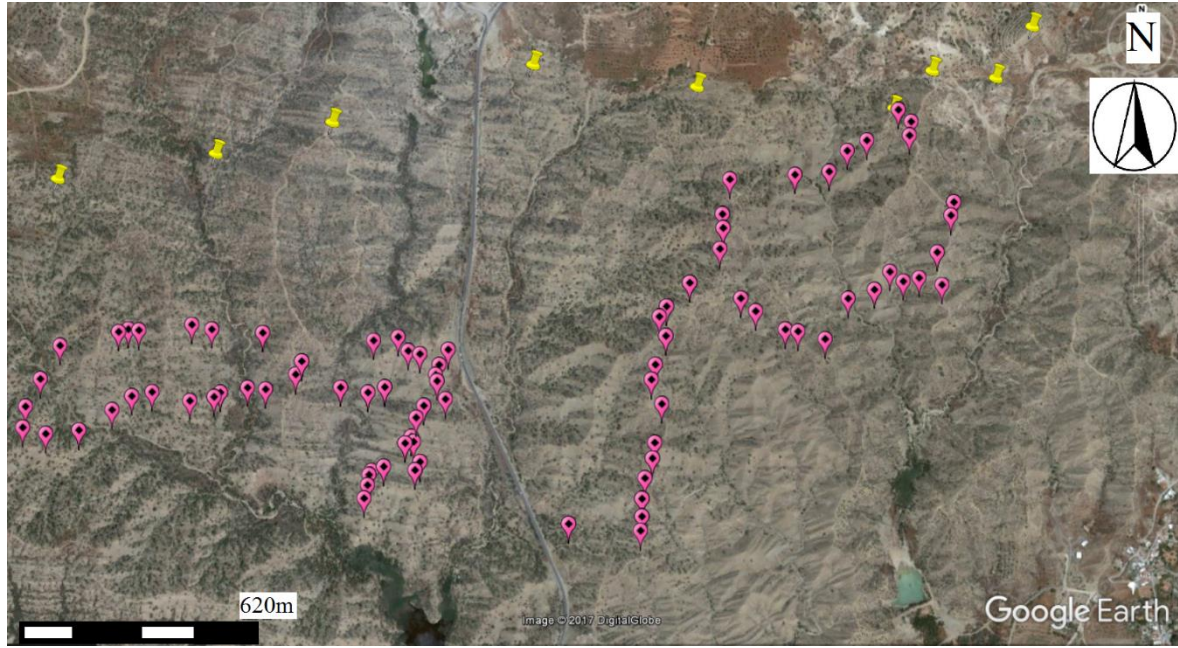


Figure 5.4: Değirmenlik sampling stations of *S. veneris* – Map generated with Google Earth. *S. veneris* is seen at pink points and not seen at the yellow points.

Table 5.4: Değirmenlik sampling stations of *S. veneris*

	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude	Young individual Number	Mature individual Number	Number of <i>Salvia veneris</i>
D1	35°15'7.63"N	33°27'42.05"E	200m	2	5	7
D2	35°15'7.22"N	33°27'49.62"E	213m	86	95	181
D3	35°15'8.42"N	33°27'49.75"E	210m	90	101	191
D4	35°15'9.93"N	33°27'49.72"E	212m	17	43	60
D5	35°15'11.70"N	33°27'49.99"E	216m	72	56	128
D6	35°15'13.42"N	33°27'50.74"E	220m	106	219	325

Table 5.4: (Continued). Değirmenlik sampling stations of *S. veneris*

D7	35°15'14.76"N	33°27'50.95"E	222m	254	405	659
D8	35°15'18.09"N	33°27'51.62"E	226m	2	8	10
D9	35°15'20.17"N	33°27'50.47"E	232m	9	9	18
D10	35°15'21.46"N	33°27'50.86"E	235m	35	46	81
D11	35°15'23.94"N	33°27'51.91"E	239m	25	35	60
D12	35°15'25.59"N	33°27'51.18"E	241m	11	18	29
D13	35°15'26.48"N	33°27'51.92"E	243m	12	20	32
D14	35°15'28.53"N	33°27'54.30"E	252m	173	352	525
D15	35°15'31.51"N	33°27'57.43"E	255m	67	89	156
D16	35°15'33.31"N	33°27'57.73"E	256m	110	172	282
D17	35°15'34.51"N	33°27'57.63"E	258m	102	315	417
D18	35°15'37.58"N	33°27'58.39"E	255m	7	20	27
D19	35°15'22.43"N	33°27'28.87"E	213m	19	31	50
D20	35°15'21.10"N	33°27'27.94"E	209m	22	1	23
D21	35°15'20.23"N	33°27'27.58"E	209m	80	96	176
D22	35°15'19.69"N	33°27'27.76"E	209m	49	64	113
D23	35°15'18.14"N	33°27'28.69"E	206m	35	16	51
D24	35°15'17.53"N	33°27'26.42"E	207m	8	31	39
D25	35°15'16.49"N	33°27'25.63"E	205m	41	7	48
D26	35°15'14.83"N	33°27'25.16"E	202m	11	18	29
D27	35°15'14.40"N	33°27'25.42"E	202m	34	7	41
D28	35°15'14.26"N	33°27'24.52"E	202m	9	1	10
D29	35°15'12.67"N	33°27'26.14"E	197m	66	27	93
D30	35°15'11.95"N	33°27'25.63"E	196m	16	32	48
D31	35°15'12.20"N	33°27'22.28"E	194m	1	14	15
D32	35°15'11.81"N	33°27'20.95"E	190m	22	37	59
D33	35°15'11.45"N	33°27'20.70"E	188m	24	35	59
D34	35°15'10.55"N	33°27'20.56"E	186m	29	83	112
D35	35°15'9.40"N	33°27'20.20"E	181m	55	51	106
D36	35°15'22.00"N	33°27'25.88"E	214m	34	33	67
D37	35°15'22.25"N	33°27'24.62"E	213m	13	10	23
D38	35°15'23.44"N	33°27'23.51"E	215m	12	15	27
D39	35°15'23.11"N	33°27'20.81"E	203m	80	46	126

Table 5.4: (Continued). Değirmenlik sampling stations of *S. veneris*

D40	35°15'21.17"N	33°27'13.25"E	204m	113	31	144
D41	35°15'23.59"N	33°27'8.94"E	201m	130	37	167
D42	35°15'23.80"N	33°27'3.53"E	205m	66	29	95
D43	35°15'24.16"N	33°27'1.51"E	213m	21	17	38
D44	35°15'23.58"N	33°26'55.90"E	213m	75	53	128
D45	35°15'23.65"N	33°26'54.78"E	214m	90	19	109
D46	35°15'23.40"N	33°26'53.77"E	214m	38	30	68
D47	35°15'22.12"N	33°26'47.42"E	203m	88	48	136
D48	35°15'19.19"N	33°26'45.49"E	204m	114	84	198
D49	35°15'16.78"N	33°26'44.34"E	215m	44	43	87
D50	35°15'14.98"N	33°26'44.27"E	220m	21	12	33
D51	35°15'14.47"N	33°26'46.57"E	212m	65	60	125
D52	35°15'14.83"N	33°26'49.85"E	200m	109	74	183
D53	35°15'16.63"N	33°26'53.12"E	194m	13	1	14
D54	35°15'17.86"N	33°26'55.18"E	195m	63	31	94
D55	35°15'18.25"N	33°26'57.37"E	198m	42	19	61
D56	35°15'17.55"N	33°27'1.43"E	197m	29	25	54
D57	35°15'17.93"N	33°27'3.92"E	193m	46	20	66
D58	35°15'18.32"N	33°27'4.57"E	192m	20	2	22
D59	35°15'18.79"N	33°27'7.45"E	191m	10	4	14
D60	35°15'18.68"N	33°27'9.43"E	196m	62	8	70
D61	35°15'20.02"N	33°27'12.67"E	205m	47	29	76
D62	35°15'18.97"N	33°27'17.35"E	188m	57	5	62
D63	35°15'18.58"N	33°27'20.30"E	190m	20	8	28
D64	35°15'19.08"N	33°27'22.14"E	197m	88	81	169
D65	35°15'38.31"N	33°28'5.51"E	226m	185	191	376
D66	35°15'38.70"N	33°28'9.23"E	2218m	79	35	114
D67	35°15'40.50"N	33°28'11.06"E	229m	74	21	95
D68	35°15'41.36"N	33°28'13.04"E	240m	52	29	81
D69	35°15'44.93"N	33°28'15.46"E	251m	0	0	0
D70	35°15'44.02"N	33°28'16.28"E	253m	11	7	18
D71	35°15'42.98"N	33°28'17.62"E	253m	17	8	25
D72	35°15'41.76"N	33°28'17.44"E	253m	137	41	178

Table 5.4: (Continued). Değirmenlik sampling stations of *S. veneris*

D73	35°15'36.11"N	33°28'22.40"E	233m	31	9	40
D74	35°15'34.96"N	33°28'22.12"E	232m	29	16	45
D75	35°15'31.75"N	33°28'20.78"E	220m	17	0	17
D76	35°15'28.94"N	33°28'21.40"E	211m	21	8	29
D77	35°15'29.52"N	33°28'18.98"E	209m	42	9	51
D78	35°15'29.20"N	33°28'17.33"E	205m	11	4	15
D79	35°15'30.02"N	33°28'15.89"E	207m	27	10	37
D80	35°15'28.44"N	33°28'14.30"E	200m	121	35	156
D81	35°15'27.60"N	33°28'11.47"E	202m	76	38	114
D82	35°15'23.98"N	33°28'8.87"E	221m	31	12	43
D83	35°15'24.59"N	33°28'5.95"E	224m	40	1	41
D84	35°15'24.73"N	33°28'4.58"E	226m	21	4	25
D85	35°15'26.24"N	33°28'1.38"E	233m	54	12	66
D86	35°15'27.32"N	33°27'59.76"E	239m	15	0	15
D87	35°15'48.19"N	33°28'19.53"E	253m	0	0	0
D88	35°15'47.94"N	33°28'26.73"E	227m	0	0	0
D89	35°15'52.52"N	33°28'30.56"E	236m	0	0	0
D90	35°15'46.36"N	33°27'54.42"E	253m	0	0	0
D91	35°15'48.17"N	33°27'36.85"E	241m	0	0	0
D92	35°15'42.70"N	33°27'15.55"E	241m	0	0	0
D93	35°15'39.94"N	33°27'2.81"E	214m	0	0	0
D94	35°15'37.33"N	33°26'46.23"E	226m	0	0	0

5.1.5 Hamitköy *Salvia veneris* H. Population Counts

Total number of *S. veneris* at the sampling stations are 800, 462 of them are mature individual and 338 of them are young individual. %57.8 of the research species are mature individual and reproduction can continue with them. %42.2 of the research species are young individual and these shown that seeds can germinate. The percentage chart of mature and young individuals in Hamitköy is shown in Figure 5.5. and individual number of study material in Hamitköy is shown in Table 5.5.

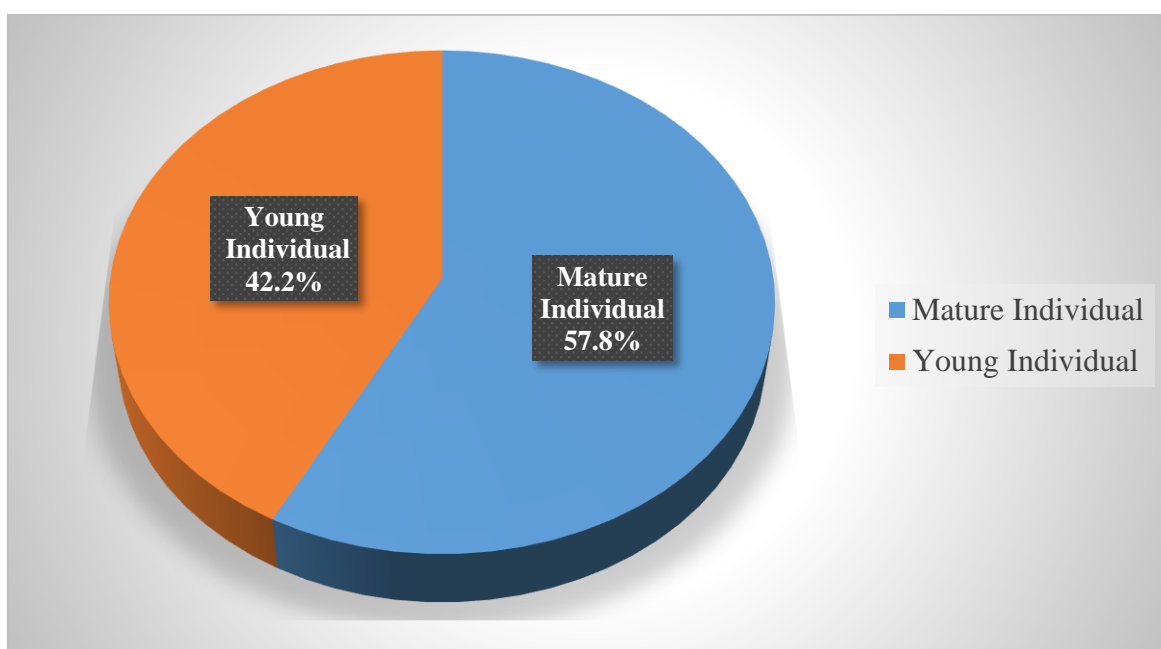


Figure 5.5 Percentage of mature and young individuals of *S. veneris* in Hamitköy

Table 5.5: Population counts of *S. veneris* in Hamitköy

	Young Individual Number	Mature Individual Number	Total Number of <i>Salvia veneris</i>
H1	67	69	136
H2	46	57	103
H3	225	332	557
H4	0	4	4

5.1.6 Taşkent *Salvia veneris* H. Population Counts

Total number of *S. veneris* at the sampling stations are 1133, 404 of them are mature individual and 729 of them are young individual. %35.7 of the research species are mature individual and reproduction can continuing with them. %64.3 of the research species are young individual and these shown that seeds can germinate. The percentage chart of mature and young individuals in Taşkent is shown in Figure 5.6. and individual number of study material in Taşkent is shown in Table 5.6.

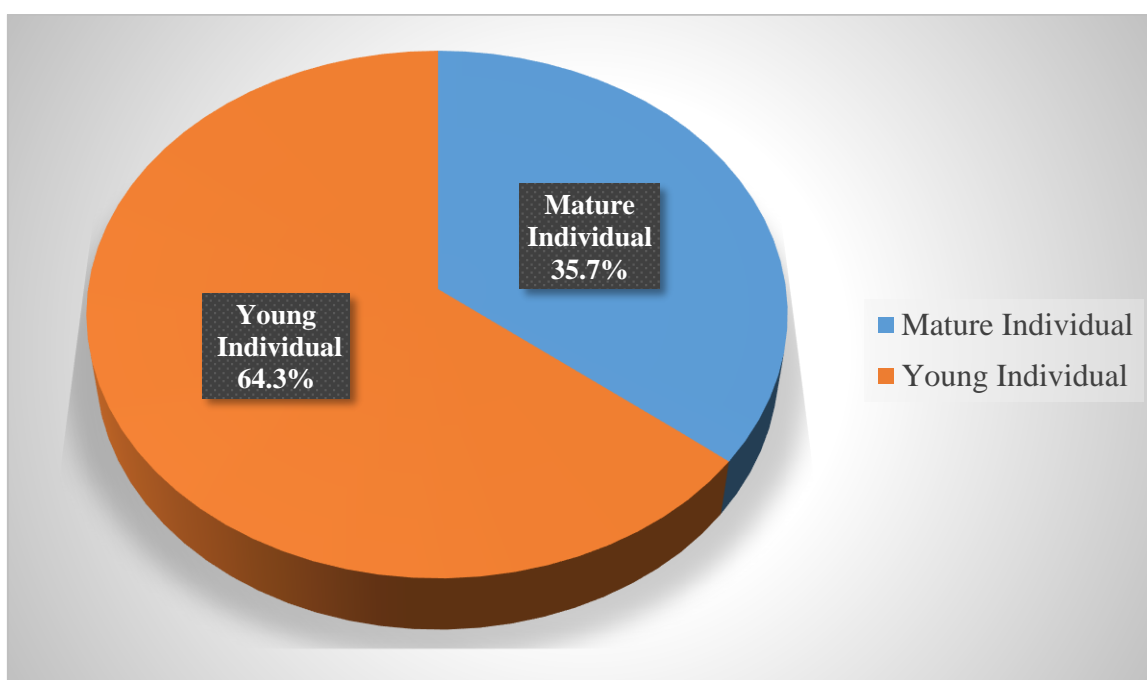


Figure 5.6 Percentage of mature and young individuals of *S. veneris* in Taşkent

Table 5.6: Population counts of *S. veneris* in Taşkent

	Young Individual Number	Mature Individual Number	Total Number of <i>Salvia veneris</i>
T73	31	28	59
T74	18	9	27
T77	45	11	56
T78	14	2	16
T81	2	2	4
T82	4	8	12
T83	25	12	37
T84	58	11	69
T85	3	2	5
T87	12	23	35
T96	84	45	129
T97	211	61	272
T99	215	126	341

Table 5.6: Population counts of *S. veneris* in Taşkent

T113	3	28	31
T117	3	30	33
T121	1	5	6
T140	0	1	1

5.1.7 Güngör *Salvia veneris* H. Population Counts

Total number of *S. veneris* at the sampling stations are 5210, 1955 of them are mature individual and 3255 of them are young individual. %37.5 of the research species are mature individual and reproduction can continue with them. %62.5 of the research species are young individual and these show that seeds can germinate. The percentage chart of mature and young individuals in Güngör is shown in Figure 5.7. and individual number of study material in Güngör is shown in Table 5.7.

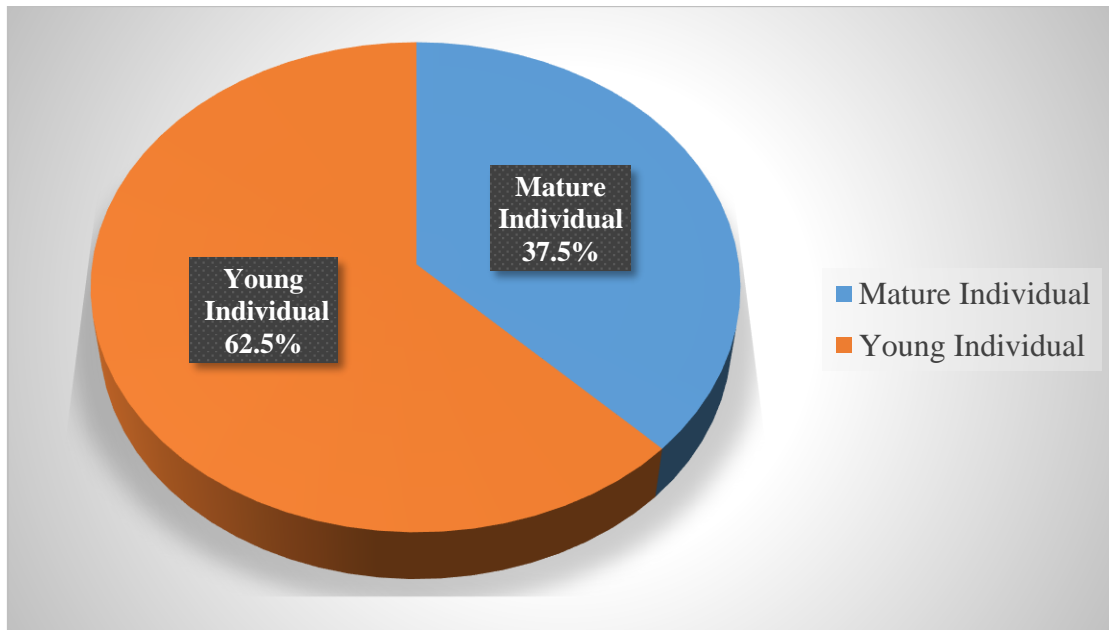


Figure 5.7 Percentage of mature and young individuals of *S. veneris* in Güngör

Table 5.7: Population counts of *S. veneris* in Güngör

	Young Individual Number	Mature Individual Number	Total Number of <i>Salvia veneris</i>
G1	17	13	30
G2	11	8	19
G3	24	12	36
G4	41	9	50
G5	185	30	215
G6	171	76	247
G7	87	35	122
G8	42	7	49
G9	5	4	9
G10	36	40	76
G11	6	0	6
G13	3	20	23
G14	5	2	7
G15	16	26	42
G16	16	17	33
G17	12	9	21
G18	37	29	66
G19	31	51	82
G21	26	8	34
G22	16	13	29
G25	8	0	8
G29	20	38	58
G30	193	226	419
G32	230	97	327
G33	42	27	69
G35	304	191	495
G36	3	10	13
G40	400	346	746

Table 5.7: (Continued). Population counts of *S. veneris* in Güngör

G41	6	47	53
G42	2	12	14
G47	235	171	406
G48	86	49	135
G49	4	15	19
G51	150	11	161
G52	63	23	86
G55	6	12	18
G56	5	2	7
G57	4	11	15
G58	28	3	31
G59	25	16	41
G60	10	25	35
G61	19	16	35
G62	15	25	40
G63	26	35	61
G64	20	11	31
G73	36	13	49
G81	1	0	1
G82	13	15	28
G83	24	11	35
G134	3	2	5
G135	5	1	6
G136	2	0	2
G137	26	8	34
G139	11	5	16
G140	17	6	23
G141	35	1	36
G142	80	0	80
G145	14	3	17

Table 5.7: (Continued). Population counts of *S. veneris* in Güngör

G146	0	3	3
G148	84	16	100
G149	127	21	148
G150	5	2	7
G151	18	0	18
G152	34	15	49
G153	29	5	34

5.1.8 Değirmenlik *Salvia veneris* H. Population Counts

Total number of *S. veneris* at the sampling stations are 8325, 3923 of them are mature individual and 4402 of them are young individual. %47.1 of the research species are mature individual and reproduction can continuing with them. %52.9 of the research species are young individual and these shown that seeds can germinate. The percentage chart of mature and young individuals in Değirmenlik is shown in Figure 5.8. and individual number of study material in Değirmenlik is shown in Table 5.8.

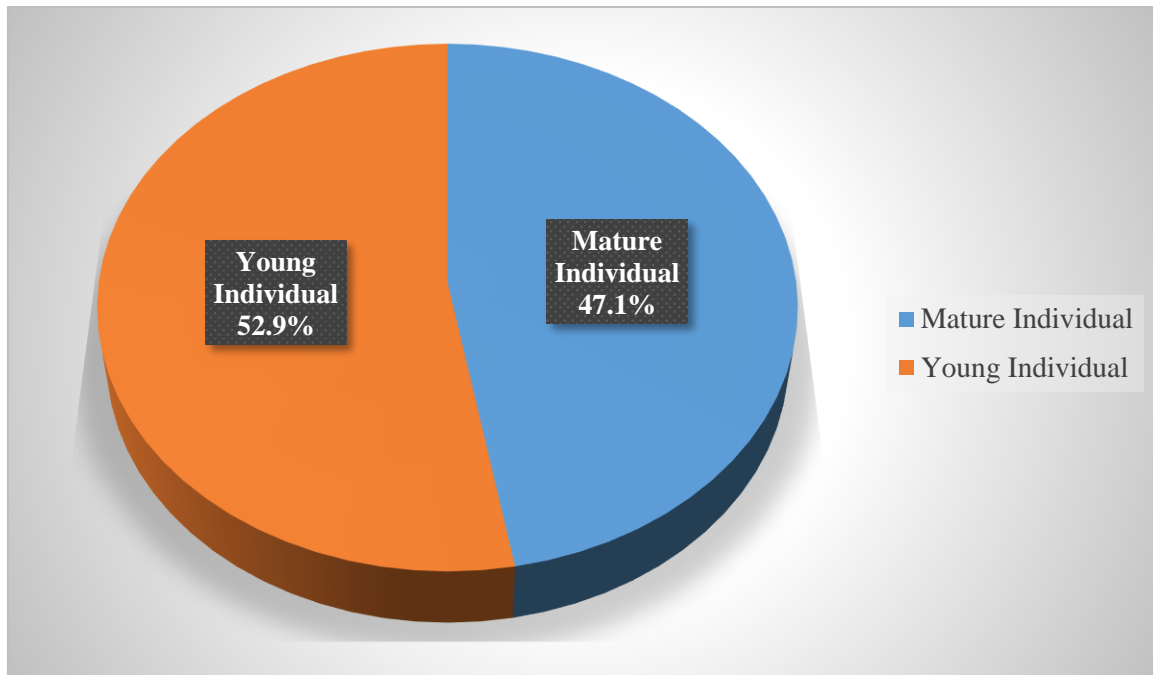


Figure 5.8 Percentage of mature and young individuals of *S. veneris* in Değirmenlik

Table 5.8: Population counts of *S. veneris* in Değirmenlik

	Young Individual Number	Mature Individual Number	Total Number of <i>Salvia veneris</i>
D1	2	5	7
D2	86	95	181
D3	90	101	191
D4	17	43	60
D5	72	56	128
D6	106	219	325
D7	254	405	659
D8	2	8	10
D9	9	9	18
D10	35	46	81
D11	25	35	60
D12	11	18	29
D13	12	20	32
D14	173	352	525
D15	67	89	156
D16	110	172	282
D17	102	315	417
D18	7	20	27
D19	19	31	50
D20	22	1	23
D21	80	96	176
D22	49	64	113
D23	35	16	51
D24	8	31	39
D25	41	7	48
D26	11	18	29
D27	34	7	41
D28	9	1	10
D29	66	27	93
D30	16	32	48

Table 5.8: (Continued). Population counts of *S. veneris* in Değirmenlik

D31	1	14	15
D32	22	37	59
D33	24	35	59
D34	29	83	112
D35	55	51	106
D36	34	33	67
D37	13	10	23
D38	12	15	27
D39	80	46	126
D40	113	31	144
D41	130	37	167
D42	66	29	95
D43	21	17	38
D44	75	53	128
D45	90	19	109
D46	38	30	68
D47	88	48	136
D48	114	84	198
D49	44	43	87
D50	21	12	33
D51	65	60	125
D52	109	74	183
D53	13	1	14
D54	63	31	94
D55	42	19	61
D56	29	25	54
D57	46	20	66
D58	20	2	22
D59	10	4	14
D60	62	8	70
D61	47	29	76

Table 5.8: (Continued). Population counts of *S. veneris* in Değirmenlik

D62	57	5	62
D63	20	8	28
D64	88	81	169
D65	185	191	376
D66	79	35	114
D67	74	21	95
D68	52	29	81
D70	11	7	18
D71	17	8	25
D72	137	41	178
D73	31	9	40
D74	29	16	45
D75	17	0	17
D76	21	8	29
D77	42	9	51
D78	11	4	15
D79	27	10	37
D80	121	35	156
D81	76	38	114
D82	31	12	43
D83	40	1	41
D84	21	4	25
D85	54	12	66
D86	15	0	15

5.1.9 *Salvia veneris* H. Population Counts

Total number of *S. veneris* at the sampling stations are 15468, 6744 of them are mature individuals and 8724 of them are young individuals. %43.6 of the research species are mature individuals and %56.4 of the research species are young individual. Reproduction is continuing with mature individuals and young individuals shown that germination of seeds.

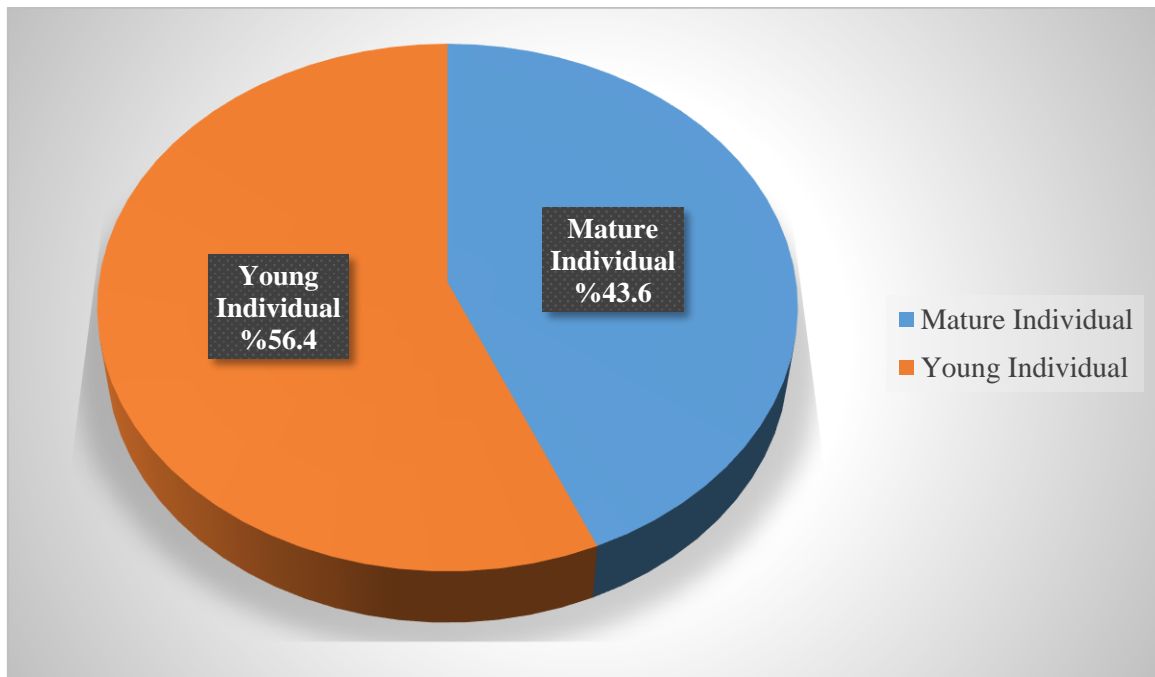


Figure 5.9 Percentage of mature and young individuals of *S. veneris* in the study area

5.1.10 Distrubiton area and population size of *Salvia veneris*

As a result of the analysis made in the Distance 7.0 program, the study areas are shown and divided by the program into 10 locations. As a result of analysis approximate number of individuals and distribution area of *S. veneris* are calculated.

Occupancy area of *S. veneris* is 2.113 km² and at the Distance 7.0 program analysis shown that occurrence area of this species is 10.19 km². In this study 15468 individuals are counted and at the Distance 7.0 program analysis shown that estimated population size is 74595.

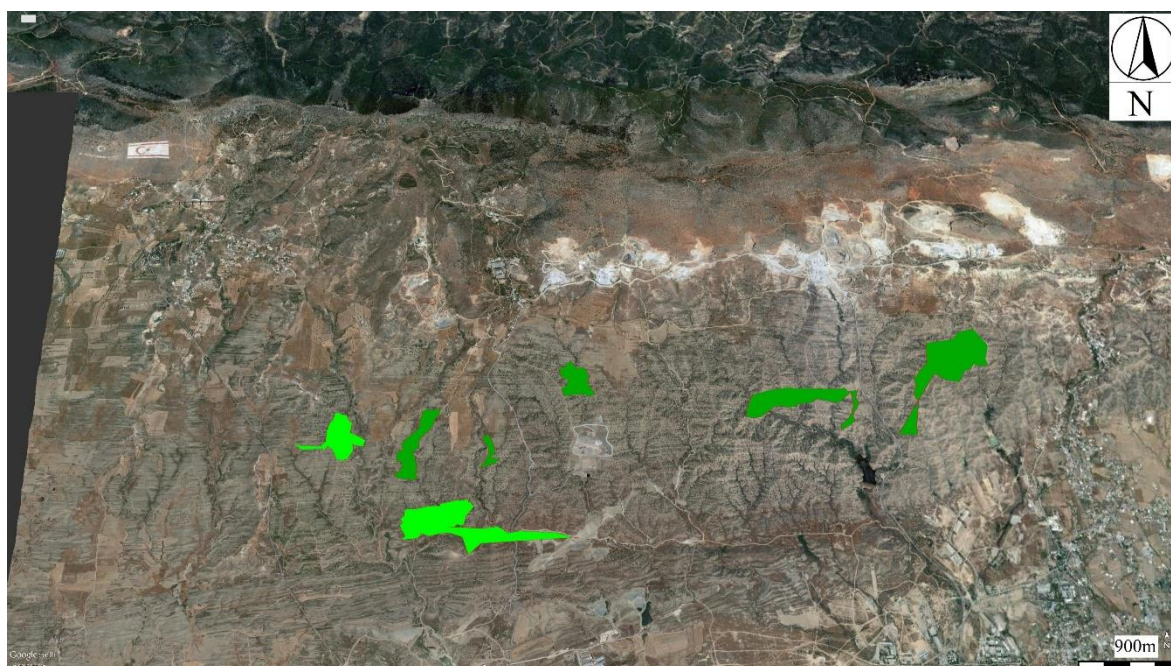


Figure 5.10 Study area of *S. veneris* - Map generated with Distance 7.0.

Table 5.9: Distrubition area and population size of *S.veneris*

	Area of Occupancy	Area of Occurrence	Counted individuals	Estimated pop size
Hamitköy 1	0.29 km ²	-	800	-
Hamitköy 2	0.34 km ²	-	0	-
Taşkent	0.43 km ²	-	1062	-
Taşkent 1	0.12 km ²	-	71	-
Güngör	0.11 km ²	-	1204	-
Güngör 1	0.28 km ²	-	578	-
Güngör 2	0.023 km ²	-	144	-
Güngör 3	0.1 km ²	-	3284	-
Değirmenlik	0.18 km ²	-	3556	-
Değirmenlik 2	0.24 km ²	-	4769	-
Total	2.113	10.19 km²	15468	74595

5.2 Discussion

The reason for the study of *S. veneris* is that it has a narrow distribution area, its population is low and it is endemic to the Northern Cyprus. Due to these sensitive conditions of this plant species, there is a risk of extinction in the future, so studies have been conducted on the number of individuals and their distribution area of these populations.

In this study observed that there are mature and young individuals in the population. There is no problem with reproduction of mature individuals and observation of young individuals is an indication of germination of seeds. At the end of the study, when the percentages of individual numbers are examined, 43.6% adults and 56.4% young individuals are seen and this shows that this population is a balanced.

Although the population is balanced under natural conditions, it may be threatened by human activities in the future. These threats that observed in this study:

- In Hamitköy *S. veneris* individuals are near Baştanlıkdere Pond and it is recreationally open to human use. At the same time it was close to the areas where livestock activities were shown and there is road construction.
- In Güngör *S. veneris* individuals are close to road constructions and solid waste storage area.
- Military activities seen in Değirmenlik and Güngör.
- In all areas where *S. veneris* is seen, the stones in the hills are gathered by destroying the hills. Also solid waste pollution and afforestation is seen in all areas.

In the future this species may face the threat of extinction due to the proximity of human activities and threats which mentioned above causing habitat fragmentation of this species. In this study, the *S. veneris* species was observed more intensely in the Değirmenlik region because of the difficulty to reach inner zone. The hills of the Değirmenlik is higher than in other study areas, and there is no roads to go to the inner zone due to the army zone.

10 localities were determined as the result of the study for *S. veneris* species and these localities constitute an area of 10.19 km². The number of individuals in the field is 74,595 and according to the IUCN (2012) categories, the threatened species category is CR B1b(i, ii, ii). *S. veneris* is a critically endangered plant species which has a narrow distribution area of less than 100 km² and the quality of habitat area continues to decline. For this reason, this species has a high risk of extinction in the wild.

CHAPTER 6

CONCLUSION

6.1 Conclusion

It is recommended that similar and more detailed studies should be carried out so that this study can reach more precise data. Studies on reproductive biology about *S. veneris* should be carried out to determine whether there is a problem with the proliferation of this species in the future. It is recommended to conduct research on whether or not the developments in the study area have an effect on the species.

S. veneris is a critically endangered species and measures must be taken to protect at the distribution area of the species. In situ protection methods can be used for this species. For example, in some areas where species are found can be fenced around to prevent grazing. Education and information related studies about protection of the *S. veneris* species should be conducted.

S. veneris also can protected with using ex-situ protection methods. For example, botanical park can be planned and *S. veneris* species can be used in some areas of this botanic park.

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