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Flower preferences of Megachilidae (Apoidea: Hymenoptera) in the Mediterranean Region of Southern Turkey

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The main objective of this study is to investigate the flower preferences of Megachilidae (Apoidea: Hymenoptera) species that are distributed in Mediterranean Region of southern Turkey. Field studies were performed in spring and summer between 2008 and 2009. All bee specimens were collected while they were visiting flowers. Meanwhile, the flowers that have been visited by bees also recorded or/and collected for diagnosis. In total, 14 provinces were checked. As a result, 230 bee specimens from 15 genera and 50 species were determined. 63 plant taxa were found related with these Megachilidae species. Most common genera and families of visited flowers were discussed regarding the plant taxa preferences of these species.

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Control of Wax Moth, Galleria mellonella L. (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae), with Male Sterile Technique