

Supplementary information – Light Microscope (LM) photographs of the species that were common in the four river types analysed. *Fotografias de microscopia ótica das espécies que foram comuns nos quatro tipos de rio analisados.*

Figure 1 - *Achnanthidium minutissimum* (LM) from Large Northern rivers (A, G), from Northern Mountain streams (B, F), from Littoral rivers (C, E) and from Small Northern rivers (D,H). The scale bar (10 µm) applies to figures 1A-1H. – *Achnanthidium minutissimum* (*MO*) provenientes dos rios do Norte de Média-Grande Dimensão (A, G), dos rios Montanhosos do Norte (B, F), dos rios do Litoral-Centro (C, E) e dos Rios do Norte de Pequena Dimensão (D, H). A barra de escala (10 µm) aplica-se às figuras 1A – 1H.

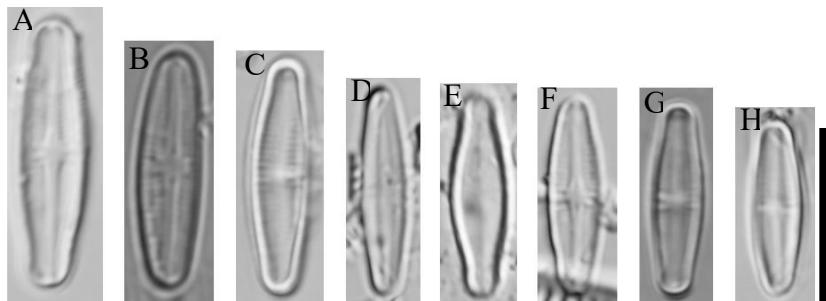


Figure 2 – Ralph valves of *Achnanthidium subatomoides* (LM) from Large Northern rivers (A,H), from Small Northern rivers (B, E), from Northern Mountain streams (C, F) and from Littoral rivers (D, G). The scale bar (10 µm) applies to figures 2A-2H. – Valvas com rafe de *Achnanthidium subatomoides* (MO) provenientes dos rios do Norte de Média-Grande Dimensão (A, H), dos rios do Norte de Pequena Dimensão (B, E), dos rios Montanhosos do Norte (C, F) e dos rios do Litoral Centro (D, G). A barra de escala (10 µm) aplica-se às figuras 2A – 2H.

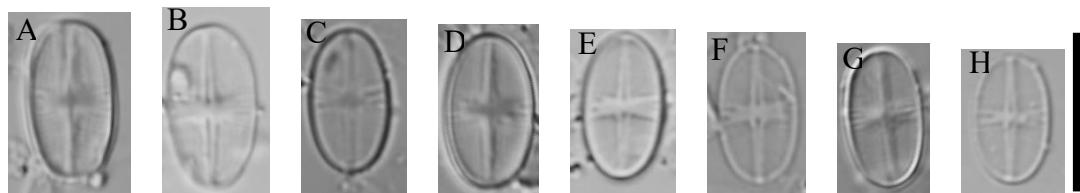


Figure 3 - *Eolimna minima* (LM) from Large Northern rivers (A, F), from Small Northern rivers (B, C) and from Littoral rivers (D, E). The scale bar (10 µm) applies to figures 3A-3F. – *Eolimna minima* (MO) provenientes dos Rios do Norte de Média-Grande Dimensão (A, F), dos rios do Norte de Pequena Dimensão (B, C) e dos rios do Litoral-Centro (D, E). A barra de escala (10 µm) aplica-se às figuras 3A – 3F.

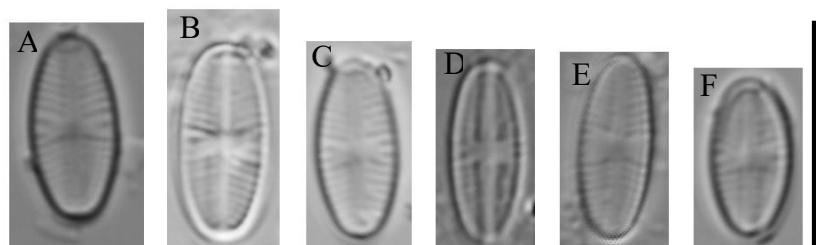


Figure 4 – *Gomphonema parvulum* (LM) from Littoral rivers (A, C), from Northern Mountain streams (B, E), from Large Northern Rivers (C, H) and from Small Northern rivers (F, G). The scale bar (10 µm) applies to figures 4A-4H. – *Gomphonema parvulum* (*MO*) provenientes dos rios do Litoral-Centro (A, C), dos rios Montanhosos do Norte (B, E) e dos rios do Norte de Média-Grande Dimensão (C,H) e dos rios do Norte de Pequena Dimensão (F, G). A barra de escala (10 µm) aplica-se às figuras 4A – 4H.

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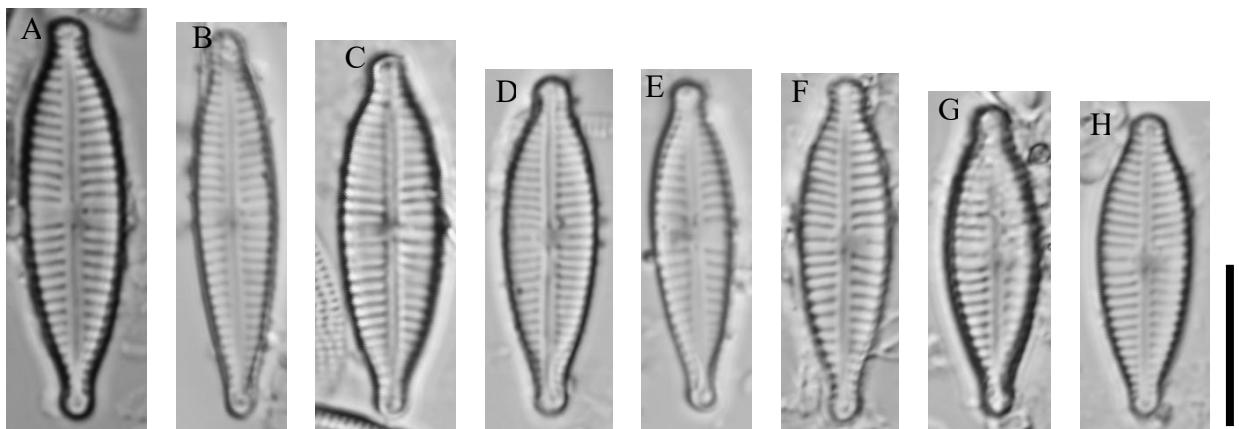


Figure 5 - Raphless valves of *Karayevia oblongella* (LM) from Littoral rivers (A,C), from Small Northern rivers (B,F) and from Large Northern rivers (D, E). The scale bar (10 µm) applies to figures 5A-5F. – Valvas sem rafe de *Karayevia oblongella* (*MO*) provenientes dos rios do Litoral-Centro (A,C), dos rios do Norte de Pequena Dimensão (B, F) e dos rios do Norte de Média-Grande Dimensão (D, E). A barra de escala (10 µm) aplica-se às figuras 5A-5F.

