



## CALANOIDS (CRUSTACEA: COPEPODA) REPORTED FOR CHILEAN INLAND WATERS

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### Abstract

Calanoid copepods in Chilean inland waters are the main group in zooplanktonic assemblages. They are represented by three genera: *Boeckella*, *Parabroteas* and *Tumeodiaptomus*. The genus *Boeckella* has three widespread species: *B. gracilipes*, distributed in practically all inland freshwaters, mainly between 33-44° S; *B. pooensis*, that inhabits saline lakes of northern Chile (14-27° S); and *B. michaelsoni*, that inhabits inland freshwaters between 44-54° S. *Tumeodiaptomus* is represented by *T. diabolicus*, that is dominant between 32-42° S. Finally, *Parabroteas* has one species, *P. sarsi* that is abundant mainly in shallow ponds between 44-54° S. Different assemblages of calanoid species characterize northern (*Boeckella occidentalis*, *B. pooensis*, and *B. gracilipes*) central (*Tumeodiaptomus diabolicus*, *B. gracilipes*, and *B. bergi*), and southern (*T. diabolicus*, *B. gracilipes*, and *B. michaelsoni*) Chile.

**Keywords:** *Boeckella*, *Tumeodiaptomus*, *Parabroteas*, freshwaters, Chile.

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#### Resumen

Los copépodos calanoideos en aguas continentales chilenas se caracterizan por ser el grupo principal en los ensambles zooplanctónicos. Están representados por tres géneros: *Boeckella*, *Parabroteas* y *Tumeodiaptomus*. El género *Boeckella* está representado por tres especies de amplia distribución geográfica: *B. gracilipes*, que se encuentra entre los 18 y 44° S, *B. pooensis* principalmente en lagos salinos del norte de Chile (14-27° S) y *B. michaelsoni* que se encuentra entre 44-54° S. *Tumeodiaptomus*, representado por *T. diabolicus*, está distribuido entre 32-42° S. Finalmente, *Parabroteas*, con solo una especie, *P. sarsi*, ha sido reportada en lagunas poco profundas entre 44-54° S. Hay diferentes especies para la zona norte (*Boeckella occidentalis*, *B. pooensis*, y *B. gracilipes*) central (*Tumeodiaptomus diabolicus*, *B. gracilipes*, *B. bergi*), y sur (*T. diabolicus*, *B. gracilipes*, y *B. michaelsoni*) de Chile.

**Palabras clave:** *Boeckella*, *Tumeodiaptomus*, *Parabroteas*, aguas dulces, Chile.

### Introduction

Calanoid copepods are abundant in Chilean continental waters and have been reported from central and southern regions (Soto & Zúñiga, 1991; De los Ríos & Soto, 2006; Villalobos, 2006). Also, they are abundant in zooplanktonic assemblages in northern Chile, where the salinity is the

main regulating factor for zooplankton community structure (De los Ríos & Crespo, 2004; De los Ríos, 2005). In southern Chile, there are numerous shallow ponds with different conductivity gradient and trophic status (Soto *et al.*, 1994; De los Ríos *et al.*, 2008a, 2008b), and calanoid copepods are abundant in conditions of oligotrophy or high conductivity (Soto & De los Ríos, 2006). The most representative widespread species is *Boeckella gracilipes*, that was reported for widely distributed shallow water bodies between 18-51° S (Villalobos & Zúñiga, 1991; Bayly, 1992a, 1992b; Villalobos, 2006; Valdovinos, 2008), although it is abundant mainly between 33-44° S (Bayly, 1992; Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000). Other widespread species are *Tumeodiaptomus diabolicus*, reported between 32-42° S (Soto & Zúñiga, 1991; Villalobos *et al.*, 2003); and *B. poopuensis*, that inhabits mainly saline lakes of northern Chile (De los Ríos & Crespo, 2004) and neighboring countries (Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000; De los Ríos & Contreras, 2005). In extreme southern Chile, the representative species are *B. michaelsoni* and *Parabroteas sarsi*, both frequent south of 44° S; the first species is dominant in large lakes and shallow ponds, whereas the second species is dominant mainly in shallow ponds (De los Ríos, 2008).

We provide herein a list of the calanoid copepods reported for Chilean inland waters based on a revision of the available literature, and we analyzed their geographical distribution.

### Material and methods

Distributional patterns for this study were obtained from the literature (Mrázek, 1901; Brehm, 1935a-d, 1936, 1937; Loeffler, 1961; Thomasson, 1963; Zúñiga, 1975; Zúñiga & Domínguez, 1977, 1978; Zúñiga & Araya, 1982; Andrew *et al.*, 1985; Araya & Zúñiga, 1985; Soto & Zúñiga, 1991; Villalobos & Zúñiga, 1991; Bayly 1992a, 1992b; Schmid-Araya & Zúñiga, 1992; Campos *et al.*, 1994a, 1994b; Villalobos, 1999; De los Ríos & Crespo, 2004; De los Ríos, 2005; Soto & De los Ríos, 2006). We compiled the localities where the species have been reported and their valid names (Bayly, 1992a, 1992b; Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000; De los Ríos, 2008) and represented them on maps (Figures 1-13).

### Results and discussion

Thirteen calanoid species are reported from Chilean inland waters. For detailed geographic information for species see appendix:

#### List of Chilean inland waters calanoids

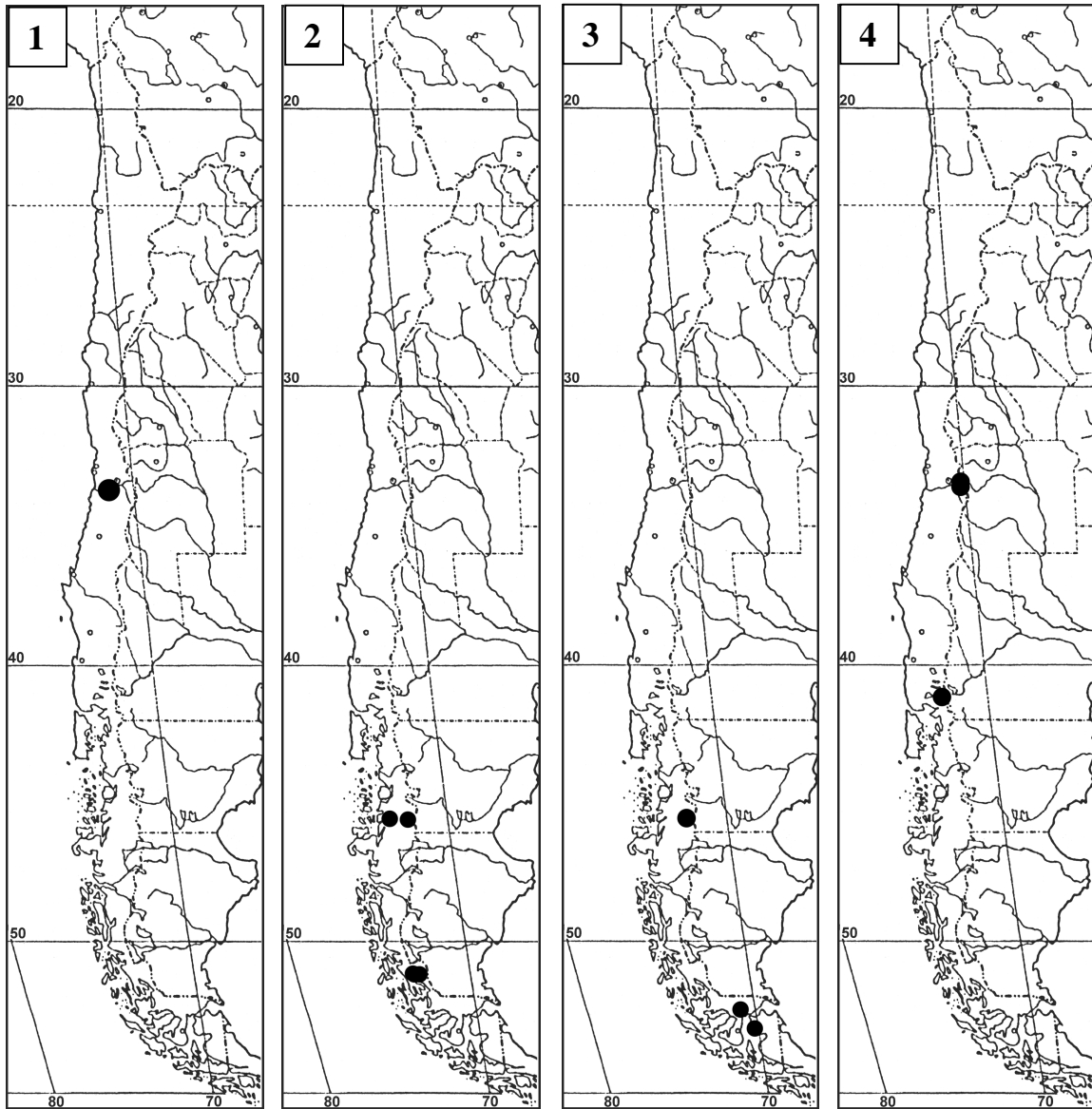
Genus *Boeckella* Guerne & Richard, 1889

*Boeckella bergi* Richard, 1897 (Figure 1)

*B. brasiliensis* (Lubbock, 1855) (Figure 2)

*B. brevicaudata* (Brady, 1875) (Figure 3)

*B. gibbosa* (Brehm, 1935) (Figure 4)



**Figures 1-4.** Geographical distribution of chilean calanoid copepods: 1, *Boeckella bergi* Richard, 1897; 2, *B. brasiliensis* (Lubbock, 1855); 3, *B. brevicaudata* (Brady, 1875); 4, *B. gibbosa* (Brehm, 1935).

**Figuras 1-4.** Distribución geográfica de copépodos calanoídeos chilenos: 1, *Boeckella bergi* Richard, 1897; 2, *B. brasiliensis* (Lubbock, 1855); 3, *B. brevicaudata* (Brady, 1875); 4, *B. gibbosa* (Brehm, 1935).

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*B. gracilipes* Daday, 1901 (Figure 5)

*B. gracilis* (Daday, 1902) (Figure 6)

*B. meteoris* Kiefer, 1928 (Figure 7)

*B. michaelsoni* (Mrázek, 1901) (Figure 8)

*B. occidentalis* Marsh, 1906 (Figure 9)

*B. poopuensis* Marsh, 1906 (Figure 10)

*B. poppei* (Mrázek, 1901) (Figure 11)

Genus *Parabroteas* Penther, 1913

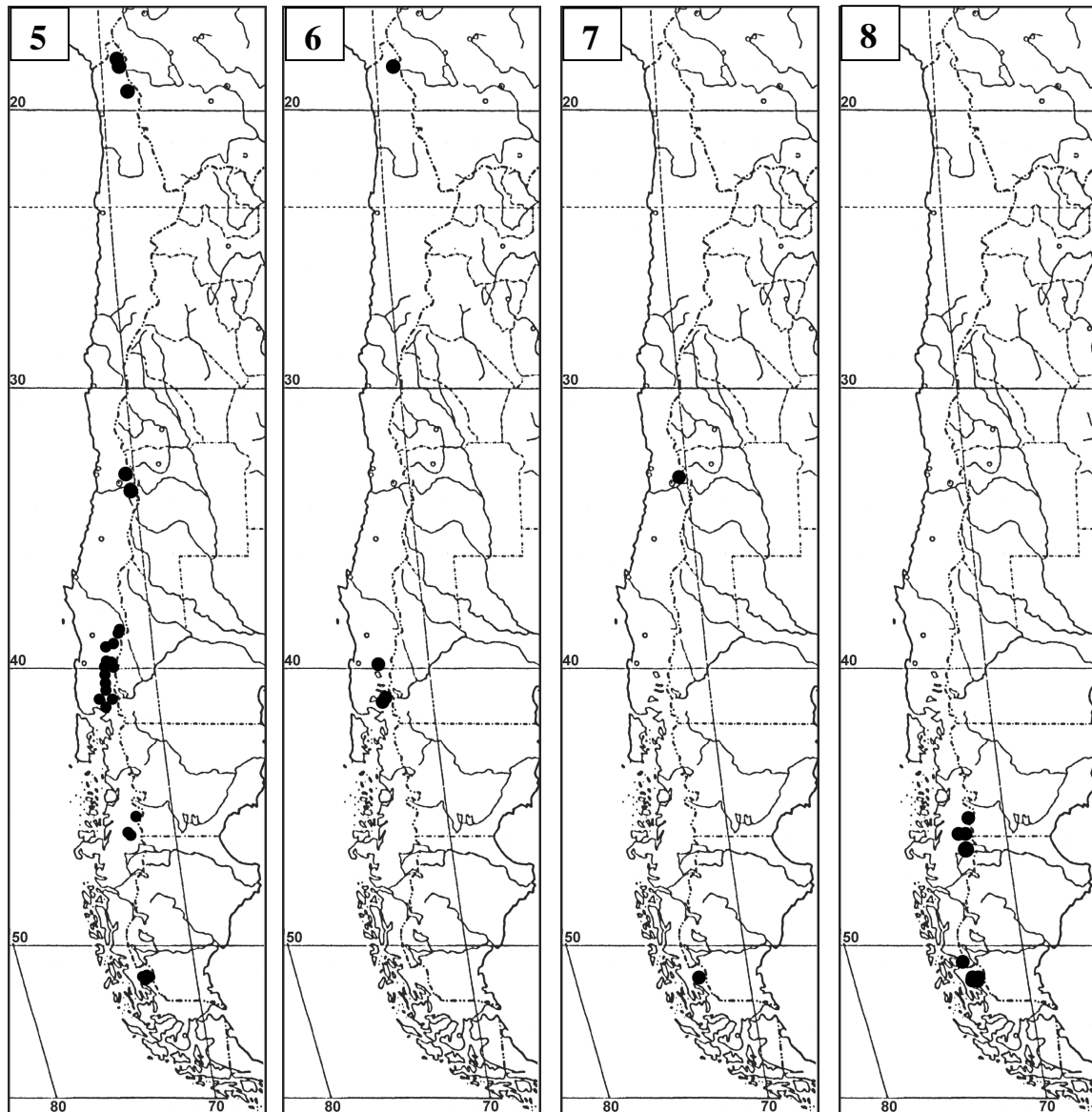
*Parabroteas sarsi* (Mrázek, 1901) (Figure 12)

Genus *Tumeodiaptomus* Dussart, 1979

*Tumeodiaptomus diabolicus* (Brehm, 1935) (Figure 13).

From the geographic reports, it is possible found geographically restricted species for a) northern Chile, such as *B. occidentalis* (Figure 9); b) central Chile, such as *B. bergi* (Figure 1); c) central Chile and southern Patagonia such as *B. gibbosa* (Figure 4) and *Tumeodiaptomus diabolicus* (Figure 13); and d) central and southern Patagonia such as *B. brasiliensis* (Figure 2), *B. brevicaudata* (Figure 3), *B. michaelsoni* (Figure 8), *B. poppei* (Figure 11) and *Parabroteas sarsi* (Figure 12). Finally it is possible found widespread species such as *B. gracilipes* (Figure 5), *B. gracilis* (Figure 6), *B. meteoris* (Figure 7) and *B. poopuensis* (Figure 10), which were reported along wide geographical gradient (see appendix).

The analysis revealed the existence of a species assemblage restricted to northern Chile, mainly in saline and subsaline water bodies located in the Andes (Bayly, 1993; De los Ríos & Crespo, 2004; De los Ríos & Contreras, 2005; De los Ríos, 2005), and including *Boeckella occidentalis*, *B. poopuensis*, and the widespread species *B. gracilipes*, as reported by Menu-Marque *et al.* (2000) for neighboring areas in Argentina, Bolivia and Perú. Nevertheless, Chile has fewer species reported than Argentina and Bolivia (Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000), probably because of the barrier role of Andean mountains that would impede species dispersal (Gajardo *et al.*, 1998; De los Ríos & Zúñiga, 2000; De los Ríos & Contreras, 2005). The most representative species can be the halophilic *B. poopuensis* that is widespread in saline waterbodies of South America (Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000; Echaniz *et al.*, 2006a). It can tolerate a salinity level between 5-90 g/l (Hurlbert *et al.*, 1984, 1986; Bayly, 1993; Williams *et al.*, 1995; De los Ríos & Crespo, 2004), constituting the exclusive component in the crustacean zooplankton assemblages at salinities between 20-90 g/l (Hurlbert *et al.*, 1984, 1986; Williams *et al.*, 1995; Zúñiga *et al.*, 1999; De los Ríos & Crespo, 2004).



**Figures 5-8.** Geographical distribution of Chilean calanoid copepods: 5, *Boeckella gracilipes* (Daday, 1902); 6, *B. gracilis* (Daday, 1902); 7, *B. meteoris* Kiefer, 1928; 8, *B. michaelseni* Mrazek, 1901.

Figuras 5-8. Distribución geográfica de copépodos calanoideos chilenos: 5, *Boeckella gracilipes* (Daday, 1902); 6, *B. gracilis* (Daday, 1902); 7, *B. meteoris* Kiefer, 1928; 8, *B. michaelseni* Mrazek, 1901.

A different situation is found in central Chile (33-37° S), where the representative species is the diaptomid *Tumeodiaptomus diabolicus*, distributed in lagoons and reservoirs from middle valleys (Zúñiga 1975; Araya & Zúñiga, 1985; Schmid-Araya & Zúñiga, 1992). It is also possible to find *Boeckella gracilipes*, reported for Andean water bodies. Zúñiga (1975) proposed that *T. diabolicus*

is located at low altitude water bodies in central Chile, because it cannot tolerate cold temperatures. The presence of *B. bergi* in the Aculeo lagoon, where *T. diabolicus* should be dominant, may be caused by the introduction of argentinean silversides (*Silvina Menu-Marque, com. pers.*). Unfortunately, there are not studies about crustacean zooplankton in water bodies located between 27-33° S, and the studies between 34-38° S are restricted to three sites, so many lagoons and small reservoirs are still unknown.

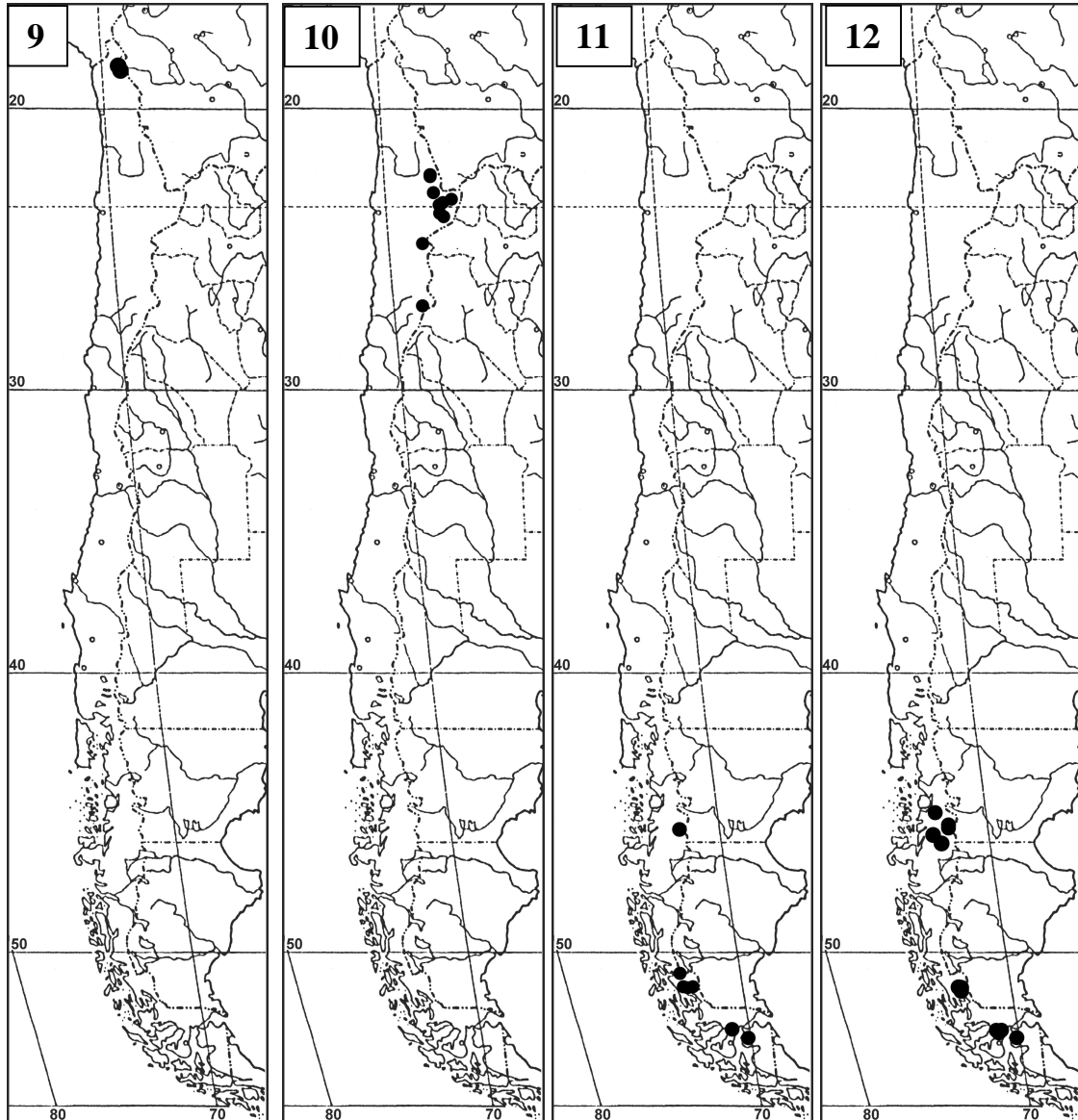
The copepods south of 38° S are well studied, due to several available limnological studies (Domínguez & Zúñiga, 1979; Campos, 1984; Soto & Zúñiga, 1991; De los Ríos & Soto, 2006, 2007). The best studied water bodies are large and deep lakes located between 38-51° S, characterized by their oligotrophic or oligomesotrophic status (Soto & Zúñiga, 1991), as the Araucanian lakes located between 38-41° S (Campos, 1984). The species reported are mainly *Tumeodiaptomus diabolicus*, distributed between 38-40° S, which can coexist with *Boeckella gracilipes* (Soto & Zúñiga, 1991; De los Ríos & Soto, 2007). The latter species is dominant from 40 to approximately 45° S, and south of 45° S it is replaced by *B. michaelsoni* (Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000; De los Ríos & Soto, 2007; De los Ríos, 2008). Between 38-42° S, there are two different groups of water bodies: the coastal lagoons and wetlands, where *T. diabolicus* has been reported between 41-42° S (De los Ríos, 2003; Villalobos *et al.*, 2003) –further studies are necessary between 38-41° S to assess the potential allopatry between *T. diabolicus* and *B. gracilipes*—; and pristine mountain water bodies located within protected areas with native forest between 39-45° S (Steinhart *et al.*, 1999, 2002; De los Ríos *et al.*, 2007), not studied systematically, due to access problems (De los Ríos *et al.*, 2007). The zooplankton studies denoted the presence of *B. gracilis* in lakes at 39° S (De los Ríos *et al.*, 2007; De los Ríos & Romero, 2009), and it is probable that this species is also distributed in high mountain lakes of northern Patagonia (38-41° S).

In central and southern Patagonia between 45-53° S, there are permanent or ephemeral shallow ponds with a high number of copepods and cladoceran species (Henríquez, 2004; De los Ríos, 2005, 2008) and marked endemism (Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000). Species reported in this area are large and robust (Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000) and are markedly pigmented (Villafañe *et al.*, 2000). Some species can tolerate a relatively wide conductivity gradient, such as *Boeckella poppei* and *Parabroteas sarsi* (De los Ríos & Contreras, 2005; De los Ríos & Rivera, 2008). In this area it is possible to find the halophilic *B. poopoensis* (Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000; Soto & De los Ríos, 2006; Adamowicz *et al.*, 2007) and the widespread species *B. gracilipes* and *B. michaelsoni* (Menu-Marque *et al.*, 2000; De los Ríos, 2008). Further studies are still necessary to understand the species distribution, because there are species reported with low frequency, which need confirmation, such as *B. brevicaudata* and *B. gibbossa*.

The species identified herein are distributed in the South American transition zone and the Andean region (Morrone, 2004, 2006). The former includes the Atacama biogeographic province (northern Chile between 18-28° S), where only *B. occidentalis* was found. In the Andean region, many of the species reported were located mainly in the Santiago, Maule, Valdivian Forest, Magellanic Forest and Magellanic Moorland biogeographic provinces.

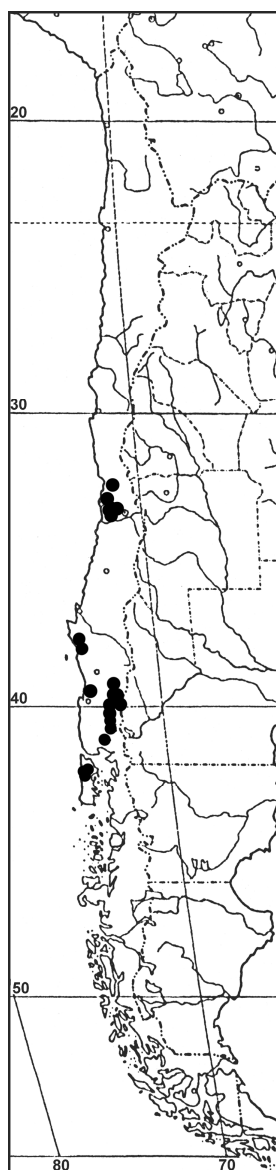
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**Figures 9-12.** Geographical distribution of chilean calanoids copepods: 9, *Boeckella occidentalis* Marsh, 1906; 10, *B. popoensis* Marsh, 1906; 11, *B. poppei* (Mrazek, 1901); 12, *Parabroteas sarsi* (Mrazek, 1901).

Figuras 9-12. Distribución geográfica de copépodos calanoideos chilenos: 9, *Boeckella occidentalis* Marsh, 1906; 10, *B. popoensis* Marsh, 1906; 11, *B. poppei* (Mrazek, 1901); 12, *Parabroteas sarsi* (Mrazek, 1901).



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**Figure 13.** Geographical distribution of Chilean calanoids copepods: *Tumeodiptomus diabolicus* (Brehm, 1935).

Figura 13. Distribución geográfica de copéodos calanoídeos chilenos: *Tumeodiptomus diabolicus* (Brehm, 1935).



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APPENDIX

Apéndice

Species reported for Chilean inland waters with information about their geographical coordinates and references:

*Boeckella bergi* Richard, 1897: Aculeo lagoon (33°50' S; 70°56' W) (Brehm, 1936).

*B. brasiliensis* (Lubbock, 1855): Balmaceda pools (45°53' S; 71°40' W), Monserrat lagoon (51°07' S; 72°47' W) (De los Ríos, 2005); Redonda lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Larga lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Jovito lagoon (51°02' S; 72°54' W) (Bayly, 1992b).

*B. brevicaudata* (Brady, 1875): Balmaceda (45°53' S; 71°40' W), Kon Aiken (52°50' S; 71°10' W) (De los Ríos, 2005); De los Patos Bravos lagoon (53°09' S; 70°57' W) (Mrázek, 1901).

*B. gibbosa* (Brehm, 1935): Pond close to Todos los Santos lake (41°08' S; 71°56' W) (Brehm, 1935c); Negra lagoon (33°36' S; 70°07' W) (Araya & Zúñiga, 1985); De los Indios lagoon (33°40' S; 70°08' W) (Brehm, 1936a); Lo Encañado lagoon (33°40' S; 70°08' W) (Brehm, 1935d).

*B. gracilipes* Daday, 1901: Parinacota lagoon (17°12' S; 69°34' W) (Villalobos & Zúñiga, 1991); Cotacotani lagoon (18°14' S; 69°13' W), Chungara lake (18°15' S; 69°10' W), Del Inca lagoon (32°48' S; 70°08' W), Negra lagoon (33°36' S; 70°07' W), Panguipulli lake (39°43' S; 72°15' W), Neltume lake (39°47' S; 71°58' W), Pirihueico lake (39°50' S; 71°49' W) (Araya & Zúñiga, 1985); Galletue lake (38°41' S; 71°16' W), Icalma lake (38°49' S; 71°17' W) (Soto & Zúñiga, 1991); Caburgua lake (39°07' S; 71°46' W) (Campos *et al.*, 1987); Pichilafquen lake (39°13' S; 72°40' W) (Thomasson, 1963); Riñihue lake (39°50' S; 72°19' W) (Zúñiga & Domínguez, 1977); Villarrica lake (39°18' S; 72°06' W), Calafquen lake (39°31' S; 72°13' W), Pellaifa lake (39°36' S; 71°58' W), Ranco lake (40°13' S; 72°25' W), Puyehue lake (40°40' S; 72°28' W), Rupanco lake (40°50' S; 72°31' W), Llanquihue lake (41°08' S; 72°49' W), Todos los Santos lake (41°08' S; 71°56' W) (Loeffler, 1961); Chapo lake (41°27' S; 72°31' W) (Soto & Zúñiga, 1991); Elizade lake (45°44' S; 72°20' W), La Paloma lake (45°46' S; 72°11' W) (Araya & Zúñiga, 1985); Cisnes lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Redonda lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Larga lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W) (Bayly, 1992a); Balmaceda pools (45°53' S; 71°40' W) (De los Ríos, 2005); Don Alvaro lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Guanaco lagoon (51°01' S; 72°50' W), Paso lagoon (51°02' S; 72°55' W) (De los Ríos, 2005); Sarmiento lake (51°03' S; 72°47' W) (Campos *et al.*, 1994a); Del Toro lake (51°12' S; 72°45' W) (Campos *et al.*, 1994b).

*B. gracilis* (Daday, 1902): Chungara lake (18°15' S; 69°10' W) (Andrew *et al.*, 1989); Riñihue lake (39°50' S; 72°19' W) (Zúñiga & Domínguez, 1978); Calbuco lagoon (41°16' S; 72°32' W) (Loeffler, 1961); Mause (41°27' S; 72°58' W) (Brehm, 1937).

*B. meteoris* Kiefer, 1928: Cisnes lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W) (Bayly, 1992), Cajon de Plomo (33°07' S; 70°08' W) (Brehm, 1935c).

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- B. michaelseni* (Mrázek, 1901): Polux lake (45°43' S; 71°53' W), Elizade lake (45°44' S; 72°20' W), General Carrera lake (45°50' S; 72°00' W), Chiguay lake (45°56' S; 71°50' W), Lynch lake (48°33' S; 75°34' W) (Araya & Zúñiga, 1985); Jovito lagoon (51°02' S; 72°54' W), Redonda lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W) (Bayly, 1992b); Isidoro lagoon (50°57' S; 72°53' W), Monserrat lagoon (51°07' S; 72°47' W), Vega del Toro pools (51°07' S; 71°40' W) (De los Ríos, 2005). Juncos lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Pehoe lake (51°03' S; 73°04' W), Norsdenkjold lake (51°03' S; 72°58' W) (Soto & De los Ríos, 2006); Sarmiento lake (51°03' S; 72°47' W) (Campos *et al.*, 1994a); Del Toro lake (51°12' S; 72°45' W) (Campos *et al.*, 1994b).
- B. occidentalis* Marsh, 1906: Cotacotani lagoon (18°14' S; 69°13' W), Chungara lake (18°15' S; 69°10' W) (Bayly, 1992b).
- B. poopuensis* Marsh, 1906: Calientes I lagoon (23°08' S; 67°25' W), Calientes II lagoon (23°31' S; 67°34' W), Calientes III lagoon (25°00' S; 68°38' W) (Bayly, 1992b); Chiuchiu lagoon (22°20' S; 68°40' W) (Brehm, 1935a); Gemela Este lagoon (23°14' S; 68°14' W), Gemela Oeste lagoon (23°16' S; 68°14' W), Miscanti lagoon (23°43' S; 67°48' W), Miniques lagoon (23°43' S; 67°48' W), Capur lagoon (23°54' S; 67°48' W), Santa Rosa lagoon (27°05' S; 69°10' W) (De los Ríos & Crespo, 2004).
- B. poppei* (Mrázek, 1901): Balmaceda pools (45°53' S; 71°40' W), Isidoro lagoon (50°57' S; 72°53' W), Don Alvaro lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Guanaco lagoon (51°01' S; 72°50' W), Monserrat lagoon (51°07' S; 72°47' W), Vega del Toro pools (51°07' S; 71°40' W), Kon Aiken pools (52°50' S; 71°10' W), Porvenir pool (53°17' S; 70°19' W) (De los Ríos, 2005); Cisnes lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Redonda lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Larga lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Paso lagoon (51°02' S; 72°55' W), Jovito lagoon (51°02' S; 72°54' W) (Soto & De los Ríos, 2006).
- Parabroteas sarsi* (Mrázek, 1901): Los Palos lagoon (45°19' S; 72°42' W), Riesco lake (45°46' S; 72°20' W) (Villalobos, 1999); Chiguay lagoon (45°56' S; 71°50' W), Elizalde lake (45°45' S; 72°25' W) (Araya & Zúñiga, 1985); Balmaceda pools (45°53' S; 71°40' W), Guanaco lagoon (51°01' S; 72°50' W), Don Alvaro lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Vega del Toro pools (51°07' S; 71°40' W), Kon Aikén pools (52°50' S; 71°10' W and 52°50' S; 70°50' W), Porvenir pool (53°17' S; 70°19' W) (De los Ríos, 2005); Redonda lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Larga lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W), Cisnes lagoon (51°01' S; 72°52' W) (Soto & De los Ríos, 2006); Monte lagoon and De los Patos Bravos lagoons (53°09' S; 70°57' W) (Mrázek, 1901).
- Tumeodiaptomus diabolicus* (Brehm, 1935) (= *Diaptomus diabolicus* Brehm, 1935): Runge reservoir (33°00' S; 71°29' W), Peñuelas reservoir (33°10' S; 71°29' W) (Schmid-Araya & Zúñiga, 1992); Valdivia (39°49' S; 73°15' W) (Brehm, 1935b); Pichilafquen lake (39°13' S; 72°40' W), Calafquen lake (39°31' S; 72°13' W), Pellaifa lake (39°36' S; 71°58' W), Riñihue lake (39°50' S; 72°19' W), Ranco lake (40°13' S; 72°25' W), Puyehue lake (40°40' S; 72°28' W) (Loeffler, 1961); Catapilco reservoir (32°38' S; 71°27' W), El Peral (33°30' S; 71°35' W), Lanalhue lake (37°55' S; 73°19' W), Lleulleu lake (38°08' S; 73°19' W), Neltume lake (39°47' S; 71°59' W), Pirihueico lake (39°56' S; 71°48' W), Rupanco lake (40°50' S; 72°31' W) (Araya & Zúñiga, 1985); Rapel reservoir (Zúñiga & Araya, 1982); Sauzalito lagoon (33°00' S; 71°32' W); Peñuelas lagoon (33°09' S; 71°32' W), Orozco reservoir (33°14' S; 71°25' W), Casablanca

(33°18' S; 71°24' W), Plateado reservoir (33°04' S; 71°39' W), Villarrica lake (39°18' S; 72°06' W), Llanquihue lake (41°08' S; 72°49' W) (Zúñiga, 1975).