

Description of a new *Petraeus* from Palestine.

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The specimens from which the present species is described were handed to me by Mr. J. H. Sikes upon his return from a recent journey in Palestine, and I have much pleasure in associating his name with it.



Petraeus sikesi n. sp.

Shell narrowly perforate, cylindrical, glossy, creamy white; protoconch flattened above; whorls 5—6, slightly convex, marked with irregular lines of growth, suture impressed; columella descending obliquely and extending with a faint callosity which reaches the lip above; peristome thickened and reflexed; aperture broad, inversely auriform.

Alt. 21, diam. max. 9,75, alt. apert. 9, diam. 4,75 mm.

Hab. near Jericho.

The nearest ally to the above appears to be *P. alepi* Fér., from which it chiefly differs in being of greater diameter in proportion to its height, the spire is also much blunter, the aperture more elongate, the columella slightly more oblique and it has one whorl less.

Der Konchylienbestand der Kiese im Liegenden der Travertine von Weimar.

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