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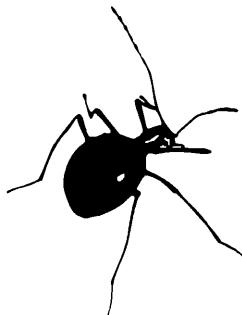
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Boreomontane species distributed in Andorra, Austria, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Faeroe Isles, France, Great Britain (incl. Shetlands), Iceland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Norway, Russia (Central and North European Territory, Western Siberia), Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and Morocco (Jansson 1995, Štys 1976, Gheit 1995, Protíč 1998, Gogala 2003). According to Jansson (1979) it lives in a variety of habitats from small, more or less temporary rock pools on sea coast to permanent, relatively large and deep ponds and small lakes. In Norway it prefers large and deep lakes, but on the Atlantic coast it is also found in smaller water bodies under varying conditions, including brackish pools (Jastrey 1981). Results of experimental crosses of geographically isolated populations of *A. carinata* were published by Jansson (1978). New species for Montenegro.

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Eurosiberian species known from Austria, Belgium, Bosnia Hercegovina, Bulgaria, Byelorussia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Kazakhstan (European part), Finland, France, Great Britain, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldavia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Russia (North, Central, and South European Territory, Western Siberia), Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, Kazakhstan (Asian part), Turkey (Asian part), and Georgia (Jansson 1995, Protíč 1998, Gogala 2003). Generally rare species, preferring various types of small water habitats (e.g., Wróblewski 1980). New species for Montenegro and European part of Turkey.

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Greece, W Crete, Lefka ori Mts., Floria (10 km N Kándanos), 700 m, polje, pasture and shrubs, 25.VI.1995, 4 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀, P. Lauterer lgt., J. Bryja det. (JBSC, PKPC).

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***Phytocoris (Exophytocoris) scitulus scitulus* Reuter, 1908**

Croatia, Petrčane, 6 km NW of Zadar, on *Tamarix*, 16.VII.2000, 1 ♀, M. Mantič lgt., J. Bryja det. (JBSC).

The nominotypical subspecies is distributed in Bulgaria, Moldavia, Russia (Caucasus), Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan (Kerzhner & Josifov 1999), and Iran (Linnauori 1999b, Linnauori & Modarres 1999). The subspecies *P. s. frater* Kerzhner, 1964 is endemic to Crimea (Ukraine). According to Putshkov & Putshkov (1983), *P. scitulus* (subspecies not distinguished) lives on many leafy shrubs and trees, often on *Crataegus* sp. and *Malus* sp., especially if they are infested with psyllids. Linnauori (1962) reported it from *Taxus baccata*, Linnauori (1999b) from *Cupressus*, *Juniperus polycarpus* and *Olea europaea*. New species for Croatia.

***Psallus (Psallus) milenae* Josifov, 1974**

Greece, NE Peloponissos, Korinthia distr., Drevenakia (9 km N of Mykenai), 200 m, pasture & maquis with *Pyrus amygdaliformis*, *Pistacia lentiscus*, and *Quercus coccifera*, 6.V.1999, 3 ♂♂, 1 ♀, P. Lauterer lgt., J. Bryja det. (JBSC).

Known from Bulgaria, Macedonia, Asian part of Turkey (Josifov 1974, 1986, Wagner & Weber 1978; Kerzhner & Josifov 1999). According to Josifov (1974), it lives on *Quercus pubescens*. Our specimens were most probably collected from *Quercus coccifera*. New species for Greece.

Berytidae

***Berytinus (Lizinus) striola* (Ferrari, 1874)**

Montenegro occ., Djuraševići → Delfin, maquis, cemetery, 50-150 m, 25.X.1982, 2 ♀♀, P. Lauterer lgt., J. L. Stehlík det. (MMBC).

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Lygaeidae

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Known from Bulgaria, Macedonia, Asian part of Turkey (Josifov 1974, 1986, Wagner & Weber 1978; Kerzhner & Josifov 1999). According to Josifov (1974), it lives on *Quercus pubescens*. Our specimens were most probably collected from *Quercus coccifera*. New species for Greece.

Berytidae

***Berytinus (Lizinus) striola* (Ferrari, 1874)**

Montenegro occ., Djuraševići → Delfin, maquis, cemetery, 50-150 m, 25.X.1982, 2 ♀♀, P. Lauterer lgt., J. L. Stehlík det. (MMBC).

Mediterranean species occurring in Albania, Austria, Bosnia Hercegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Portugal, Romania, Russia (South European Territory), Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Ukraine; Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia; Armenia, Turkey (Asian part), Cyprus, Georgia, Iraq, Israel, Lebanon, and Syria (Péricart 2001a, Protic 2001). Josifov (1986) and Protic (1999) listed also Macedonia. Biology of this species is poorly known (see Péricart 1984). In Moravia (Czech Republic) it was collected on xerothermic sites on various substrates (limestone, granodiorites, diorites, loamy substrate, rarely also on sand) where it feeds on Fabaceae (Stehlík & Vavřínová 1990). New species for Montenegro.

Lygaeidae

***Graptostethus servus servus* (Fabricius, 1787)**

Montenegro occ., Radoviči, Plavi Horizont, maquis, 3-20 m, 13.-15.X.1982, 1 ♀, P. Lauterer lgt., P. Kment det. (MMBC).

A species widely distributed in the Old World, reaching its northernmost limit in Mediterranean: recorded from Albania, Croatia, France, Greece, Italy, Portugal, Serbia, Spain; Algeria, Egypt, Morocco; Turkey (Asian part), China (Southeastern and Southwestern Territories, Western Plateau), Cyprus, Israel, Japan, Korea, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tadzhikistan, Yemen; Afrotropical and Oriental Regions, Australia, Polynesia, and Hawaii (Péricart 2001b, Protić 2001). A polyphagous species that lives on ground or the basis of vegetation and prefers field cultures and orchards. In the tropical parts of its distributional range it is known as a pest of several crops (e.g., *Gossypium*, *Sorghum vulgare*, *Ipomoea tuberosa*) (see Péricart (1999a) for details). New species for Montenegro.

Rhyparochromidae

Emblethis angustus Montandon, 1890

Croatia occ., Brač Island mer., Bol env., environs of Gažul Šuma under Vidova Gora Mt. (43°18'N 16°38'E), 700-740 m, pastures, on ground, 7.IX.2002, 1 ♂, P. Kment lgt. et det. (PKPC); dtto, Vidova Gora Mt. (43°16'N 16°39'E), 740 m, pastures under the top, under stones, 10.IX.2002, 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀, P. Kment lgt. et det. (PKPC).

Mediterranean and Turanian species known from Bulgaria, France, Greece, Italy, Malta, Macedonia, Portugal, Russia (South European Territory), Spain, Ukraine; Algeria, Canary Islands, Egypt, Lybia, Madeira, Morocco, Tunisia; Azerbaijan, Afghanistan, Kazakhstan (Asian part), Turkey (Asian part), Georgia, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Syria, Tadzhikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. Outside Palaearctic region it occurs also on Cape Verde Islands (Péricart 2001b). Péricart (1999c) did not give any information on biology of *E. angustus*. Our Croatian specimens were collected on shortly grazed pastures on limestone, usually under stones. New species for Croatia.

Ischnocoris bureschii Josifov, 1976

Montenegro, Bečići near Budva, 4.V.1975, 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀, J. Strejček lgt., Z. Jindra det. (ZJPC). **Romania** mer., Bucura, 22.V.1993, 1 ♂ (brachypterous), O. Majzlan lgt., P. Kment det. (BMFC).

Described from Bulgaria (Josifov 1976), and subsequently recorded from Albania, Greece, Croatia, Macedonia and Asian part of Turkey (Péricart 1999b, 2001b). Biology of this species is unknown. New species for Montenegro and Romania.

Homoscelis ruficollis Horváth, 1884

Greece occ., Kerkira (= Corfu) Island bor., Kassiópi (39°47'44"N 19°55' 09"E), 3.V.2002, 1 ♂, 1 ♀, F. Št'áhlavský lgt., P. Kment det. (PKPC).

Montenegro occ., Radoviči, Plavi Horizont, maquis, 3-20 m, 13.-15.X.1982, 1 ♀, P. Lauterer lgt., P. Kment det. (MMBC).

A species widely distributed in the Old World, reaching its northernmost limit in Mediterranean: recorded from Albania, Croatia, France, Greece, Italy, Portugal, Serbia, Spain; Algeria, Egypt, Morocco; Turkey (Asian part), China (Southeastern and Southwestern Territories, Western Plateau), Cyprus, Israel, Japan, Korea, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tadzhikistan, Yemen; Afrotropical and Oriental Regions, Australia, Polynesia, and Hawaii (Péricart 2001b, Protić 2001). A polyphagous species that lives on ground or the basis of vegetation and prefers field cultures and orchards. In the tropical parts of its distributional range it is known as a pest of several crops (e.g., *Gossypium*, *Sorghum vulgare*, *Ipomoea tuberosa*) (see Péricart (1999a) for details). New species for Montenegro.

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Proderus bellevoyei Puton, 1874

Croatia occ., Brač Island or., Sumartin (43°17'N 16°52'E), 40 m, abandoned gardens at the village, under stone, 5.IX.2002, 1 ♀, P. Kment & M. Horsák lgt., P. Kment det. (PKPC). Additional records: **Greece** occ., Kerkira (=Corfu) Island bor., Agrafoi (39°45'N 19°44'E), 8.V.2002, 1 ♀, F. Št'áhlavský lgt., P. Kment det. (PKPC). **Syria** bor. occ., Homs env., castle Qalaat al Hosn, 30.III.-4.IV.2001, 1 ♀, M. Řezáč lgt., P. Kment det. (PKPC). **Turkey** mer., Antalya province, Beldibi near Kemer, 1.-17.VII.1998, 1 -, P. Bulirsch lgt., Z. Jindra det. (ZJPC). Turkey occ., İzmir province, Antique Ephesos, 29.IV.1991, 1 ♂, 1 ♀, Z. Jindra lgt. et det. (ZJPC). Turkey or., Sivas province (39°53'N 37°37'E), Demiryurt, Tödürge Gölü lake env., gypsum hills, rocky steppe, in litter, 28.VI.2002. 1 ♀, P. Kment lgt. et det. (PKPC).

East-Mediterranean species known from scattered localities in Albania, Bosnia Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Greece, Macedonia, Russia (Daghestan), Ukraine (Crimea); Azerbaijan (incl. Nakhichevan), Armenia, Asian part of Turkey, Cyprus, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, and Syria (Péricart 1999b, 2001b). It was described from Syria, but there is no published exact Syrian locality (Péricart 1999b). The biology is almost unknown (cf. Péricart 1999c). Kiritshenko (1908, as *P. crassicornis* Jakovlev) reported its finding under stones along a moist garden wall in Crimea (Ukraine), Putshkov (1969) mentioned other Crimean localities, including those on the sea coast, but without ecological details. In Nakhichevan it was recorded under stones on dry slopes (Putshkov 1969). The condition of our Croatian and Turkish (Sivas) records are similar to those characteristics. Adults occur from March to late autumn (Putshkov 1969, our records), not from September to late autumn as erroneously indicated by Péricart (1999c). New species for Croatia and first exactly located record from Syria after the description.

Scolopostethus cognatus Fieber, 1861

Montenegro, Lovčen, Štirovnik, 1 km SW, polje and hill, 1300-1400 m, 20.X.1982, 2 ♀♀, P. Lauterer lgt., J. L. Stehlík det., P. Kment revid. (MMBC). **Slovenia** mer. occ., Kozina env., Kastelec, 30.IV.2002, Z. Malinka lgt., P. Kment det. (PMSL).

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Coreidae

Ulmicola spinipes (Fallén, 1807)

Albania bor., Bogë env. ($42^{\circ} 24' N$ $19^{\circ} 38' E$), 19.-21.VI.1994, 1 ♀, O. Hovorka lgt., P. Kment det. (PKPC).

A species of European distribution, known from Austria, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Ukraine (Moulet 1995). Josifov (1986) considered it as a boreomontane Eurosiberian element. *U. spinipes* is known from various host plants: *Trifolium*, *Melilotus*, *Medicago*, *Lamium*, *Chenopodium*, *Alnus*, *Carpinus* (Moulet 1995). In southern Moravia (Czech Republic) an adult was found on a dry cadaver (head of *Ovis musimon*) together with *Ceraleptus lividus* Stein, 1858 (Coreidae). New species for Albania.

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