

**Two new weevil species in Hungary  
(Coleoptera, Curculionidae: Entiminae)**

Valentin SZÉNÁSI

*Duna–Ipoly National Park Directorate,  
Költő utca 21, H-1021 Budapest, Hungary.  
E-mail: szvalent@gmail.com*

**Abstract** – *Otiorhynchus* (*Otiorhynchus*) *meridionalis* Gyllenhal, 1834 and *Polydrusus* (*Conocetus*) *gracilicornis* Kiesenwetter, 1864 are recorded from Hungary for the first time. With 2 figures.

**Key words** – *Otiorhynchus*, *Polydrusus*, localities

INTRODUCTION

The author is involved in various conservation projects, and during the field work has the possibility to collect and study the weevil fauna of different areas in Hungary. The present paper publishes locality data of two species new to the country.

*Abbreviations* – HNHM = Hungarian Natural History Museum, Coleoptera Collection, Budapest (curator: Ottó Merkl); CVS = private collection of Valentin Szénási, Isaszeg, Hungary.

*Otiorhynchus* (*Otiorhynchus*) *meridionalis* (Gyllenhal, 1834)  
(Fig. 1)

*Material examined* – **Pest county:** Isaszeg, Bartók Béla str. 36, hand-collected in house, 18.VIII.2016, leg. Gy. Demeter Szénásiné, identified by A. Podlussány (1, CVS).

*Notes* – The original distribution of the species is the Mediterranean Basin, but it was unintentionally introduced to the Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland and the United States (HEIJERMAN & HELLINGMANN 2009). In Europe, *O. meridionalis* is associated primarily with trees and shrubs belonging to Oleaceae, such as *Olea*, *Jasminum*, *Ligustrum*, *Forsythia* and *Syringa*.

*Polydrusus (Conocetus) gracilicornis* Kiesenwetter, 1864  
(Fig. 2)

**Material examined** – **Pest county:** Táborfalva, military shooting range, near canal XX, beaten from *Pyrus communis*, 31.VII.2013, 28.VIII.2014, 27.VIII.2015, leg. V. Szénási, identified by M. Košťál (8, CVS, 3, HNHM). **Somogy county:** Balatonszemes, Vadvirág campsite, beaten from *Ligustrum vulgare*, 29.VI.2016, leg. V. Szénási (3, CVS).

**Notes** – The polyphagous species is distributed in the Balkan Peninsula, Turkey and Cyprus (PIEROTTI 2013), where it is very common.



**Figs 1–2.** 1 = *Otiorhynchus (Otiorhynchus) meridionalis* (Gyllenhal, 1834), 2 = *Polydrusus (Conocetus) gracilicornis* Kiesenwetter, 1864

\*

*Acknowledgements* – I would like to thank Ottó Merkl (HNHM) for the possibility to review the relevant part of HNHM Coleoptera Collection so that I could use it for my paper. Thanks are also due to Michael Košťál (Brno) and Attila Podlussány (HNHM), who helped in identifications and to Tamás Németh (HNHM) for taking the photos.

## REFERENCES

- HEIJERMAN T. & HELLINGMAN S. 2009: *Otiorhynchus meridionalis*, een nieuwe invasieve snuitkeversoort voor de fauna van Nederland (Coleoptera: Curculionidae). – *Entomologische Berichten* **69**(3): 95–100.
- PIEROTTI H. 2013: Tribe Peritelini Lacordaire, 1863. – In: LÖBL I. & SMETANA A. (eds): *Catalogue of Palaearctic Coleoptera*. Vol. 8. Brill, Leiden, pp. 347–377.