

# Two *Meloe* Linnaeus, 1758 species new to Lebanon (Coleoptera: Meloidae: Meloini)

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HÁVA, J.: Two *Meloe* Linnaeus, 1758 species new to Lebanon (Coleoptera: Meloidae: Meloini).

**Abstract:** Two species *Meloe* (*Eurymeloe*) *mediterraneus* J. Müller, 1925 and *Meloe* (*Treiodontus*) *autumnalis* A. G. Olivier, 1797 are newly recorded from Lebanon. A list of species is presented.

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## Introduction

The genus *Meloe* Linnaeus, 1758 currently includes 38 species and subspecies known from Europe and Middle Asia (BOLOGNA 2008); from Lebanon known only three species (CHIKATUNOV 2000, BOLOGNA 2008). The second genus *Trichomeloe* Reitter, 1911 comprises 6 species distributed in the Mediterranean subregion, one species is known from Lebanon (BOLOGNA 2008, BOLOGNA & DI GIULIO 2008).

In the present note, two species are reported from Lebanon for the first time.

## Results

### *Meloe* (*Eurymeloe*) *mediterraneus* J. Müller, 1925 (Figs. 1)

*Material examined:* Lebanon, Bekaa El Gharbi, Machghara, 33°37'N 35°46'E, 14. xi.2017, 1 male. collected on the street near the house, E. Nassir-Eddin leg., J. Háva det. et. coll., M. Bologna revid.

*Distribution:* Species known from Europe, North Africa, And in Asia: Iran, Israel, Turkey (BOLOGNA 2008), new to Lebanon.



**Figs 1-2: Habitus of the Species from Lebanon, Fig. 1: *Meloe (Eurymeloe) mediterraneus* J. Müller, 1925; Fig. 2: *Meloe (Treiodous) autumnalis autumnalis* A. G. Olivier, 1797.**

***Meloe (Treiodous) autumnalis autumnalis* A. G. Olivier, 1797  
(Figs. 2)**

*Material examined:* Lebanon, Bekaa El Gharbi, Machghara, 33°37'N 35°46'E, 10. xi.2017, 1 male. collected on the street near the house, E. Nassir-Eddin leg., J. Háva det. et. coll., S. Krejčík revid.

*Distribution:* Species known from Europe, in Africa: Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, In Asia: Cyprus, Iran, Israel, Jordania, Syria and Turkey (BOLOGNA 2008), new to Lebanon.

### List of species recorded from Lebanon

Genus *Meloe* Linnaeus, 1758

Subgenus *Eurymeloe* Reitter, 1911

Species: *M. (E.) mediterraneus* J. Müller, 1925\*

Subgenus *Lampromeloe* Reitter, 1911

Species: *M. (L.) cavensis* L. Petagna, 1819

Species: *M. (L.) variegatus variegatus* Donovan, 1793

Subgenus: *Meloe* s. str.

Species: *M. (M.) proscarabeus* Linnaeus, 1758

Subgenus: *Treiodous* Dugès, 1869

Species: *M. (T.) autumnalis autumnalis* A. G. Olivier, 1797\*

Genus *Trichomeloe* Reitter, 1911

Species: *T. sericellus* Reiche, 1857

\*new record

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