

SHORT FAUNISTIC NOTES - NEW RECORDS

***Melanophthalma rhenana* Růcker & Johnson, 2007 from the Czech Republic (Coleoptera: Latridiidae)**

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Abstract. The species *Melanophthalma rhenana* Růcker & Johnson, 2007 is newly recorded from the Czech Republic.

Coleoptera: Latridiidae

***Melanophthalma rhenana* Růcker & Johnson, 2007.** Moravia mer., Podivín (7167), 9.vi.1993, 1 ♂, P. Zahradník lgt. et coll., det. P. Míka, oak forest, beating of dry branches; Moravia mer., Týnec u Břeclavi (7268), 20.iv.1995, 1 ♂, P. Zahradník lgt., coll. et det. P. Míka. Another species from the genus *Melanophthalma* Motschulsky, 1866 found in recent years in the territory of the Czech Republic, from South Moravia. For now in two specimens, previously determined as *M. taurica* (Mannerheim, 1844). This species, described from Germany, the Rhine basin, in Central Europe is also known from Slovakia (Majzlan 2014) and Austria (Schuh 2014), so far it has been also found in Italy (Sicily, Sardinia), Turkey and Iran (Růcker 2018). A species new to the Czech Republic.

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