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### *Dermestes (Dermestinus) asiaticus* Háva, 2002 from Iraq (Coleoptera: Dermestidae)

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**Abstract.** The species *Dermestes (Dermestinus) asiaticus* Háva, 2002 is newly recorded from Iraq.

#### Coleoptera: Dermestidae: Dermestinae

*Dermestes (Dermestinus) asiaticus* Háva, 2002. Iraq, Kurdistan region, Sulaymaniyah, Hawary Shark Park, 11.06.2022, Farhad A. Khudhur leg., 9 spec., J. Háva det. et coll. A species known from Turkey; Iran; Israel; Jordan; Lebanon and Syria (Sert & Özdikmen 2019, Háva 2025a, b), new to Iraq.

These specimens were collected by using pitfall traps (Fig. 3) in a semi-natural forest at elevation around 1000 m. a.s.l. (Figs. 1-2) together with *Opatroides punctulatus punctulatus* Brullé, 1832 (Coleoptera: Tenebrionidae). In a dry weather and clear night condition and the daily temperature ranged between 16-36°C.

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Figs. 1-2. The habitat of the collection site, Hawary Shar Park, Sulaymaniyah. Kurdistan region, Iraq.

Fig. 3. The pitfall trap partially filled with car antifreeze liquid used as a temporary preservative for the trapped insects.

Fig. 4. First field checking of the trapped beetle material from the pitfall traps (→ indicated *Dermestes asiaticus*).

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