

## Present status of the millipede fauna of Hungary, with a review of three species of *Brachyiulus* Berlése, 1884 (Diplopoda)

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**Abstract.** Since 2005, the last comprehensive species list of the millipedes of Hungary, several new species to the fauna have been approved. Here we provide an updated summary of all Hungarian Diplopoda, comprising altogether 107 species. *Brachyiulus pusillus* (Leach, 1815) and *Chondrodesmus riparius* Carl, 1914, based on recent collections, are considered as new to the fauna of Hungary. We give special remarks to the following taxa: *Julus curvicornis* Verhoeff, 1899, *Typhloiulus polypodus* (Loksa, 1960), *Hungarosoma bokori* Verhoeff, 1928, *Heteracrochordum evae* (Loksa, 1960), *Ochogona* spp., *Haasea hungarica* (Verhoeff, 1928), *Mastigona* spp., and some Polydesmidae. In addition, the taxonomical relationship between *B. bagnalli* (Brolemann, 1924), *B. lusitanus* (Verhoeff, 1898), and *B. pusillus* is discussed in detail. With 21 figures.

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### INTRODUCTION

The millipede fauna (Diplopoda) of the territory of Hungary was summarized several times in the past 25 years by Korsós (Korsós 1994, 1998, 2001, 2005). In 2005, on a poster for the 13<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Myriapodology, Bergen, Norway, the number given was 101 species (Korsós 2005), which testified a gradual increase depending on the research efforts. Since then, four new species were subsequently added to the fauna of the country: *C. caeruleocinctus* (Wood, 1864) in Bogyó & Korsós (2010), *Megaphyllum silvaticum* (Verhoeff, 1898) in Lazányi & Korsós (2010), *Cylindroiulus burzenlandicus* Verhoeff, 1907 and *Leptoiulus liptauensis* (Verhoeff, 1899) in Bogyó et al. (2012). In our presentation during the 18<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Myriapodology, Budapest (Korsós & Lazányi 2019) we discussed the occurrences of 106 species, including the recently collected *Brachyiulus pusillus* (Leach, 1815) and *Chondrodesmus riparius*

Carl, 1914. These are formally added here to the species list of Hungarian millipedes. In the present paper, we also change the list according to formerly omitted literature records. Thus, we remove *Mastigona vihorlatica* (Attems, 1899) [= *M. bosniensis* (Verhoeff, 1897) by Hauser 2004], and add *Ochogona phyllophaga* (Attems, 1899) and *Polydesmus subscabratus* Latzel, 1884.

### LIST OF MILLIPEDES (DIPLOPODA) OF HUNGARY

In the followings, we give an updated list of the millipede fauna of Hungary, with 107 species in total. In contrast to the earlier species lists (Korsós 1994, 1998) we do not include the subspecific category as subspecies are sometimes based on uncertain characters. We follow the systematic arrangement of Diplopoda by Shear (2011) down to the family level; lower taxa are presented in alphabetic order. In a few cases, status changes in species taxonomy are

mentioned in parentheses, as compared to the species list in Korsós (1998). New locality records are also given for three species. An asterisk (\*) marks the species which have already published data from Hungary, but not included in the earlier faunal lists, two asterisks (\*\*) mark the species presented here as new to the Hungarian fauna. Superscript numbers (<sup>n</sup>) refer to the remarks section of the present paper.

## POLYXENIDA

### Polyxenidae

1. *Polyxenus lagurus* (Linnaeus, 1758)

## GLOMERIDA

### Glomeridellidae

2. *Glomeridella minima* (Latzel, 1884)

### Glomeridae

3. *Glomeris hexasticha* Brandt, 1833
4. *Glomeris klugii* Brandt, 1833 (= *G. conspersa* C. L. Koch, 1847 in Korsós 1998)
5. *Glomeris ornata* C. L. Koch, 1847
6. *Glomeris pustulata* (Fabricius, 1781)
7. *Glomeris tetrasticha* Brandt, 1833 (= *G. connexa* C. L. Koch, 1847 in Korsós 1998)
8. *Haploglomeris multistriata* (C. L. Koch, 1844)
9. *Trachysphaera costata* (Waga, 1857)
10. *Trachysphaera gibbula* (Latzel, 1884)
11. *Trachysphaera schmidtii* Heller, 1858

## POLYZONIIDA

### Polyzoniidae

12. *Polyzonium germanicum* Brandt, 1837

## JULIDA

### Blaniulidae

13. *Archiboreoiulus pallidus* (Brade-Birks, 1920)

14. *Blaniulus guttulatus* (Fabricius, 1798)
15. *Boreoiulus tenuis* (Bigler, 1913)
16. *Choneiulus palmatus* (Němec, 1895)
17. *Cibiniulus phlepsii* (Verhoeff, 1897)
18. *Nopoiulus kochii* (Gervais, 1847)
19. *Proteroiulus fuscus* (Am Stein, 1857)

### Julidae

20. *Allajulus dicentrus* (Latzel, 1884)
21. *Allajulus groedensis* (Attems, 1899)
22. *Brachyiulus bagnalli* (Brolemann, 1924)<sup>10</sup>
23. *Brachyiulus lusitanus* Verhoeff, 1898<sup>10</sup>
24. \*\**Brachyiulus pusillus* (Leach, 1815)<sup>10</sup>
25. *Cylindroiulus abaligetanus* Verhoeff, 1901
26. *Cylindroiulus arborum* Verhoeff, 1928
27. *Cylindroiulus boleti* (C. L. Koch, 1847)
28. *Cylindroiulus burzenlandicus* Verhoeff, 1907
29. *Cylindroiulus caeruleocinctus* (Wood, 1864)
30. *Cylindroiulus horvathi* (Verhoeff, 1897)
31. *Cylindroiulus latestriatus* (Curtis, 1845)
32. *Cylindroiulus luridus* (C. L. Koch, 1847)
33. *Cylindroiulus meinerti* (Verhoeff, 1891)
34. *Cylindroiulus parisiorum* (Brolemann & Verhoeff, 1896)
35. *Cylindroiulus truncorum* (Silvestri, 1896)
36. *Enantiulus nanus* (Latzel, 1884)
37. *Enantiulus tatranus* (Verhoeff, 1907)
38. \**Julus curvicornis* Verhoeff, 1899<sup>1</sup>
39. *Julus scandinavus* Latzel, 1884
40. *Julus scanicus* Lohmander, 1925
41. *Julus terrestris* Linnaeus, 1758
42. *Kryphioiulus occultus* (C. L. Koch, 1847)

43. *Leptoiulus baconyensis* (Verhoeff, 1899)  
 44. *Leptoiulus cibdellus* (Chamberlin, 1921)  
 45. *Leptoiulus liptauensis* (Verhoeff, 1899)  
 46. *Leptoiulus proximus* (Němec, 1896)  
 47. *Leptoiulus saltuvagus* (Verhoeff, 1898)  
 48. *Leptoiulus simplex* (Verhoeff, 1894)  
 49. *Leptoiulus trilineatus* (C.L.Koch, 1847)  
 50. *Leptoiulus trilobatus* (Verhoeff, 1894)  
 51. *Leptoiulus tussilaginis* (Verhoeff, 1907)  
 52. *Megaphyllum bosniense* (Verhoeff, 1897)  
 53. *Megaphyllum projectum* Verhoeff, 1894  
 54. *Megaphyllum silvaticum* (Verhoeff, 1898)  
 55. *Megaphyllum transsylvanicum* (Verhoeff, 1897)  
 56. *Megaphyllum unilineatum* (C. L. Koch, 1838)  
 57. *Mesoiulus paradoxus* Berlése, 1886  
 58. *Ommatoiulus sabulosus* (Linnaeus, 1758)  
 59. *Ophiulus pilosus* (Newport, 1842)  
 60. *Pachypodoiulus eurypus* (Attems, 1894)  
 61. *Styrioiulus pelidnus* (Latzel, 1884)  
 62. *Styrioiulus styricus* (Verhoeff, 1896)  
 63. *Typhloiulus polypodus* (Loksa, 1960)<sup>2</sup>  
 64. *Unciger foetidus* (C. L. Koch, 1838)  
 65. *Unciger transsylvanicus* (Verhoeff, 1899)  
 66. *Xestoiulus imbecillus* (Latzel, 1884)  
 67. *Xestoiulus laeticollis* (Porat, 1889)
- Nemasomatidae  
 68. *Nemasoma varicorne* C. L. Koch, 1847
- CALLIPODIDA  
 Dorypetalidae  
 69. *Dorypetalum degenerans* (Latzel, 1884)
- CHORDEUMATIDA  
 Chordeumatidae  
 70. *Chordeuma sylvestre* C. L. Koch, 1847  
 71. *Melogona broelemanni* (Verhoeff, 1897)  
 72. *Melogona transsylvanica* (Verhoeff, 1897)
- Hungarosomatidae  
 73. *Hungarosoma bokori* Verhoeff, 1928<sup>3</sup>
- Trachygonidae  
 74. *Heteracrochordum evae* (Loksa, 1960)<sup>4</sup>  
 (= *Acrochordum evae* Loksa, 1960 in  
 Korsós 1998)
- Craspedosomatidae  
 75. *Craspedosoma raulinsii* Leach, 1814  
 76. *Ochogona caroli* (Rothenbühler, 1900)<sup>5</sup>  
 77. *Ochogona elaphron* (Attems, 1895)<sup>5</sup>  
 78. *Ochogona phyllophaga* (Attems, 1899)<sup>5</sup>  
 79. *Ochogona triaina* (Attems, 1895)<sup>5</sup>
- Haaseidae  
 80. *Haasea flavescens* (Latzel, 1884)  
 81. *Haasea hungarica* (Verhoeff, 1928)<sup>6</sup>  
 82. *Hylebainosoma tatanum* Verhoeff, 1899
- Mastigophorophyllidae  
 83. *Haploporatia eremita* Verhoeff, 1909  
 84. *Mastigona bosniensis* (Verhoeff, 1897)<sup>7</sup>  
 85. *Mastigona mutabilis* (Latzel, 1884)<sup>7</sup>  
 86. *Mastigona transsylvanica* (Verhoeff, 1897)<sup>7</sup>
- POLYDESMIDA  
 Chelodesmidae  
 87. *Chondrodesmus riparius* Carl, 1914<sup>8</sup>
- Paradoxosomatidae  
 88. *Oxidus gracilis* (C. L. Koch, 1847)

89. *Stosatea italica* (Latzel, 1886)
90. *Strongylosoma stigmatosum* (Eichwald, 1830)
- Oniscodesmidae
91. *Amphitomeus attemsi* (Schubart, 1934)
- Pyrgodesmidae
92. *Cynedesmus formicola* Cook, 1896
93. *Poratia digitata* (Porat, 1889)
- Polydesmidae
94. *Brachydesmus attemsi* Verhoeff, 1895
95. *Brachydesmus dadayi* Verhoeff, 1895<sup>9</sup>
96. *Brachydesmus superus* Latzel, 1884
97. *Brachydesmus troglobius* Daday, 1889<sup>9</sup>
98. *Polydesmus collaris* C. L. Koch, 1847
99. *Polydesmus complanatus* (Linnaeus, 1761)
100. *Polydesmus denticulatus* C. L. Koch, 1847
101. *Polydesmus edentulus* C. L. Koch, 1847
102. *Polydesmus germanicus* Verhoeff, 1896
103. *Polydesmus monticola* Latzel, 1884
104. *Polydesmus polonicus* Latzel, 1884
105. *Polydesmus schaessburgensis* Verhoeff, 1898<sup>9</sup>
106. *\*Polydesmus subscabratus* Latzel, 1884<sup>9</sup>
107. *Polydesmus transylvanicus* Daday, 1889<sup>9</sup>

## REMARKS TO THE SPECIES LIST

### <sup>1</sup>*Julus curvicornis* Verhoeff, 1899

The species was described by Verhoeff from present-day Hungary (“Bükk-Gebirge, Oberungarn”, Verhoeff 1899b), and mentioned several times by Karel Tajovský that it should occur near the East Slovakian border (Tajovský

*pers. comm.*). We have recently found a sample in the HNHM collection, originated from the Institute of Systematic Zoology, University of Budapest, with one adult and one juvenile male and an adult female (Szalajka valley, Bükk Mts, 29 June 1951). The tube contained a simple handwritten label (“*Julus curv.*”) by Imre Loksa (1923–1992), former professor at the university. The male gonopods are in complete agreement with the drawings by Verhoeff (1899b, 1928).

### <sup>2</sup>*Typhloiulus polypodus* (Loksa, 1960)

The species has been described by Loksa (1960) as *Allotyphloiulus polypodus*, from the Forrás Cave near Lillafüred, Bükk Mts., north-eastern Hungary. Its generic allocation is still undecided. Vagalinski et al. (2015) in their revision listed it in *Typhloiulus* Latzel, 1884, whereas in the Millibase it is under the genus *Allotyphloiulus* Verhoeff, 1905 (Sierwald & Spelda 2018). (It is completely missing from the Fauna Europaea database.) For a long time, the species was only known from the type locality, when Mock et al. (2002) found a female identified as *Typhloiulus* cf. *polypodus* in the Gombasecká Cave in the Slovak Karst.

### <sup>3</sup>*Hungarosoma bokori* Verhoeff, 1928

This species was described by Verhoeff (1928) based on a single female from the Abaliget Cave, South Hungary, collected by Elemér Bokor (1887–1928) Hungarian cave zoologist. He gave a detailed description of the specimen’s eyes and body segments with paraterga and setae, with figures. Verhoeff (1928) also speculated about the systematic position of this chordeumatidan: according to his opinion the genus *Hungarosoma*, although related to *Brachychaeteuma*, finds its nearest relative in Japan, in the genus *Macrochaeteuma*, showing a peculiar connection between the millipede fauna of Southeast Europe and Asia (Verhoeff 1928). Several years after the description of another species, *Hungarosoma inexpectatum* Ceuca, 1967, Ceuca (1974) erected the family Hungarosomatidae for the two species alone. This was generally not accepted, and *Hungarosoma* was

later erroneously assigned to Anthroleucosomatidae (Hoffman 1980, Enghoff 2013). Following all these, for a long time *Hungarosoma bokori* was considered a unique and endemic member of the Hungarian fauna, a troglobiont (Korsós 1994, 1998), and it still stands as such in the databases of Fauna Europaea (Enghoff 2013) and Millibase (Sierwald & Spelda 2018). Mock et al. (2014, 2016) finally presented a detailed description of a freshly collected male, as well as a careful study of all available museum material. They even carried out a molecular research, in which *H. bokori* came out as an independent lineage supporting the validity of the family Hungarosomatidae (Mock et al. 2016).

However, in a more recent paper Antić et al. (2018) called for attention to a curious similarity between the illustrations of *Ceratosoma cervinum* Verhoeff, 1899 (Verhoeff 1899a: figs 19–23; and Mršić 1987: p. 67, fig. 10 I, J), and the illustrations of *Hungarosoma bokori* (Mock et al. 2016: pp. 245, 247, figs 15, 16). They concluded that they all show the male gonopods of the same species, however schematic are the figures of *Ceratosoma cervinum* Verhoeff, 1899 (now accepted as *Ochogona cervinum* (Verhoeff, 1899) (Antić et al. 2018)). They did not formally establish a synonymy, and because their observation is based only on the drawings, here we still follow the consensus taxonomy and consider *H. bokori* a good species in its own status. In agreement with Hal'ková & Mock (2018) we believe that a proper synonymy can only be proven if the original specimens of *Ceratosoma cervinum* sensu Verhoeff are compared under the microscope to the *H. bokori* material.

Our concept on the geographic distribution of *H. bokori* has nevertheless changed substantially, since the extensive collections by our Czech and Slovakian colleagues showed that its occurrence surpasses the Carpathian Basin by far (see the map in Mock et al. 2016: fig. 19). Hence its endemic status to Hungary (Korsós 1998) is now revised.

#### **<sup>4</sup>*Heteracrochordum evae* (Loksa, 1960)**

The species was originally described by Loksa (1960) from a beech forest near Bánkút, Bükk Mts, north-eastern Hungary, as a new subgenus *Heteracrochordum* Loksa, 1960 in the genus *Acrochordum* Attems, 1899. There is one female specimen found in the HNHM, with only a species label handwritten by Loksa but without further details, which we believe could be part of the syntype series. In Loksa's paper, four specimens are listed as part of the type series, one female from 15 September 1949, and one male and two juveniles from 20 July 1954, from the same locality (Loksa 1960), all of them supposedly deposited in the Department of Zoosystematics, Eötvös Loránd University. Since those specimens could not be located, we consider the HNHM specimen as the female syntype.

*Heteracrochordum* is accepted now as a valid genus (Sierwald & Spelda 2018, Mock et al. 2019), known only by its type species, which is considered as endemic to the Carpathian Basin (Korsós 1998). The family Trachygonidae is supposedly under revision by Mock et al. (2019), as they said in the presentation during the 18<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Myriapodology in Budapest. They have found new records of *Heteracrochordum evae* in two distinct regions in Slovakia (Driencany, Burda Mts in Mock et al. 2019), representing the northernmost limits of the family distribution.

#### **<sup>5</sup>*Ochogona* species**

We accept four species as occurring in Hungary, which are discussed below:

*Ochogona caroli* (Rothenbühler, 1900): Material studied: Bakony Mts, Zirc, Pintér Hill, 1941.X.19, leg. L. Szalay & I. Kovács, det. L. Szalay (3215/1943, five vials, gonopods separated: My. 1331, 1333, 1334, 1336, 1337); Zirc, Pintér Hill, 1941.X.21, leg. L. Szalay & I. Ko-

vács, det. L. Szalay (3215/1943, gonopods separated in vial: My. 1338); Bakony Mts, Miklós Pál Hill, 1965.X., leg. I. Loksa & Zs. Szombat-helyi, det. I. Loksa.

*Ochogona elaphron* (Attems, 1895): Material studied: Kőszegi Mts., 1937.XI.1, leg. A. Visnya Aladár, det 3160/1942, det. L. Szalay L. (3160/1942, My. 1330), revid. I. Loksa (200/1955); Kőszegi Mts., 1938.XI.2., leg. A. Visnya, det. L. Szalay (3162/1942, My 1332& 1335).

*Ochogona triaina* (Attems, 1895): Material studied: Kőszegi Mts., 1937.XI.1, leg. Bpesti Egyet. Állatrendsz. Int., det. L. Szalay (3160/1942, My 1329), 1 male and 1 female, gonopods in genitalia vial.

With these three species we follow Szalay (1942, 1944) who considered them separate species as it can be seen on the labeling of the HNHM specimens. Loksa (1968) for Szalay's *Ochogona caroli* specimens from Pintér Hill, 1941, and for his own 1968 Miklós Pál Hill sample described *O. c. ssp. hungaricum*, as well as another ssp. *somloense* from Somló Hill (Loksa 1968). The tubes in the HNHM contain only hand-written labels by Loksa (in the case of Somló Hill with the name "*Ceratosoma caroli evae*", Somló 67.X.); however we consider them as part of the original syntype series of *O. c. somloense*. Together with Verhoeff's *Ceratosoma caroli* ssp. *nubium* Verhoeff, 1921, we do not differentiate them from the nominal species *Ochogona caroli*.

In the collection material there are *O. elaphron* and *O. triaina* vials with labels suggesting their co-occurrence (especially because they seem to be collected at once). Dr. László Szalay had worked with the genus in details; in his material gonopods are dissected, so here we rely on his results (Szalay 1942) and accept the occurrence of both species in Hungary.

*Ochogona phyllophaga* (Attems, 1899): This fourth species we add here to the species list of millipedes of Hungary. Antić & Akkari

(2020) called our attention to this species, of which the original literature record by Attems (1899: p. 315) was unfortunately overlooked by us. Attems in his description of *Atractosoma phyllophagum* Attems, 1899, listed "St. Gotthard in Ungarn, ganz nahe der steirischeu Grenze" as type locality of the species, which clearly corresponds to Szentgotthárd, a small town in the westernmost part of present-day Hungary. We hope to find new specimens of this species, but even until then we have to consider it as a member of the Hungarian fauna.

### ***Haasea hungarica* (Verhoeff, 1928)**

The genus *Haasea* has recently been comprehensively revised by Antić & Akkari (2020). For *Haasea hungarica*, they listed several new localities (Lower Austria, Slovenia, Serbia, and southern Romania), hence widening its distribution over the Carpathian Basin (see map by Antić & Akkari 2020: fig. 40). Its former endemic status to Hungary according to earlier authors (Verhoeff 1928, Szalay 1942, Korsós 1998) can now be revised. Tabacaru's subspecies (*Orobainosoma hungaricum orientale* Tabacaru, 1965) from the Romanian Banat is a junior subjective synonym of *Haasea hungarica* (Antić & Akkari 2020).

### ***Mastigona* species**

In the former species lists, five species of the genus *Mastigona* (previously *Heteroporatia*) were recorded from present-day Hungary (Korsós 1998, 2005). Here we consider only three species as valid: *M. bosniensis* (Verhoeff, 1897), *M. mutabilis* (Attems, 1899), and *M. transsylvanica* (Verhoeff, 1897). The fourth, *M. vihorlatica* (Attems, 1899) was already considered as a junior synonym of *M. bosniensis* by Hauser (2004), although he did not express it explicitly, and the fifth, *M. mehelyi* (Verhoeff, 1897), was synonymized with *M. bosniensis* by Lazányi & Korsós (2009). *M. transsylvanica* was recorded from Jósfaő, Northeast Hungary by Matic & Ceuca (1969).



Fig. 1. *Chondrodesmus riparius* from Törökbálint.

**<sup>8</sup>*Chondrodesmus riparius* Carl, 1914**  
(Fig. 1)

This exotic species was first found in Hungary by Benedek Török, an employee at the Plantart Horticulture in Törökbálint near Budapest in May 2015. A few specimens were seen in the pots of imported *Phoenix* palm. One year later a dozen specimen were recorded in an office building in Budapest by Liza Takács, spreading out also from imported indoor plant pots. These findings represent new records for the Hungarian millipede fauna.

The species was originally described from Colombia, tropical South America, and in Europe it was first found in Umeå, Sweden (2000), later in Söderköping, Sweden (2006), then in Copenhagen, Denmark and as well as in Bonn, Germany (Anderson & Enghoff 2007, Enghoff 2008). Most probably it is distributed throughout the continent by horticultures and household megastore networks (like IKEA). It is unlikely to survive in natural environments.

**<sup>9</sup>Polydesmidae**

*Brachydesmus dadayi* Verhoeff, 1895, *B. troglobius* Daday, 1889, and *Polydesmus*

*schaessburgensis* Verhoeff, 1898 were all dealt with as endemic species to Hungary by Korsós (1998). *B. dadayi* was recorded from Bulgaria already by Strasser (1973), and recently from Slovakia (Haľková & Mock 2018). Distribution of *B. troglobius* was discussed in detail by Angyal et al. (2017) (Slovenia, Serbia and Montenegro). *P. schaessburgensis* was found as a new species to the fauna of Bulgaria (Bachvarova et al. 2017). With this keeping in mind, no polydesmids can now be considered as an endemic species to the Carpathian Basin.

In addition, based on a formerly omitted literature record, we here add *Polydesmus subscabratus* Latzel, 1884 to the Hungarian fauna. The species was mentioned already by Daday (1889) from Sátoraljaújhely, extreme northeast of Hungary, and from Velejte (= Vefaty), southeastern Slovakia. Haľková & Mock (2018), however, still handle these as unconfirmed records, until fresh specimens are collected.

*Polydesmus transylvanicus* Daday, 1889 was first recorded from Hungary by Kutas (2000): Szeged, Tisza-Maros rivers confluence, 5 Nov. 1996, leg. E. Hornung (3 males, 10 females, 2 juveniles). Haľková & Mock (2018) also recorded it from as far as eastern Slovakia.

## <sup>10</sup>REVIEW OF THE HUNGARIAN SPECIES OF *BRACHIYULUS*

The genus *Brachyiulus* Berlese, 1884 was revised by Vagalinski & Lazányi (2018). They gave a complete morphological redescription of the genus, and listed seven species: *B. apfelbeckii* Verhoeff, 1898, *B. bagnalli* (Brolemann, 1924), *B. jawlowskii* Lohmander, 1928, *B. lusitanus* Verhoeff, 1898, *B. pusillus* (Leach, 1815), *B. stuxbergii* (Fanzago, 1875) and *B. varibolinus* Attems, 1904. The distribution of the genus covers Central and Eastern Europe, the Balkans, Italy, and even the Caucasus and Kazakhstan.

*Brachyiulus bagnalli* was the only species hitherto reported in Hungary (Korsós 1994, 1998). However, this species was previously mentioned in the literature as *B. pusillus* (pl. Loksa 1956), and just later clarified to be *B. bagnalli* (Dziadosz 1964, Korsós 1994). *B. lusitanus* was only mentioned once from the country, in an unpublished thesis (Sziráki 1966), and remained dubious till now (Korsós 1994, 1998). According to literature distribution data (Kime & Enghoff 2017, Vagalinski & Lazányi 2018) three species occur in Central Europe: *B. bagnalli*, *B. lusitanus*, and *B. pusillus*. Here we give descriptive data and definite occurrences of the three species in Hungary.

All material investigated belong to the HNHM. Methods are the same as in Lazányi & Korsós (2011).

### TAXONOMIC PART

#### *Brachyiulus bagnalli* (Brolemann, 1924) (Figs 2–3, 8–9, 14–15, 21)

*Microbrachyiulus Bagnalli* Brolemann, 1924: pp. 108–109.

*Brachyiulus bagnalli*: Schubart 1934: p. 276.

*Brachyiulus pusillus* ssp. *Kaszabi* Loksa, 1956: p. 389, fig. 5.

*Brachyiulus pusillus*: Sziráki 1966: p. 43, figs 78–79.

*Brachyiulus bagnalli*: Vagalinski & Lazányi 2018: pp. 16–17.

*Material investigated.* Vizsoly, backwater of Hernád, 21 June 2002, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Vizsoly, backwater of Hernád, 29 July 2002, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Tarcal, Ördög mine, 15 May 1999, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Szécsény, Pöstény steppe, 7 June 2005, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Szécsény, Pöstény steppe, 30 June 2005, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Mezőzombor, Szarka farm, 5 July 2005, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Mezőzombor, Szarka farm, 1 Aug. 2006, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Szentistvánbaksa, Baksa stack, 22 May 2002, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Zalkod, Palocsa, 9 May 2002, leg. Hegyessy G., det. Bogyó D.; Közép-tiszai Landscape Protection Area, Kisköre, Patkós, willow, 1 Apr. 1995, leg. Korsós Z., det. Korsós Z. 1995; Apaj, beneath logs, 7 Apr. 1991, leg. Farkas B., det. Korsós Z. 1994; Pusztaszeri Landscape Protection Area, Baks, Palásti forest, oak forest, 4 June 1994, leg. Z. Korsós, det. Korsós Z. 1994; County Pest, Szentendre, Northern boundary, floodplain of the Danube, 25 June 1995, leg. Korsós Z., det. Korsós Z.; County Pest, Makád, 27 Mar. 1989, leg. Merkl O., det. Korsós Z. 1989; County Pest, Szob, Danube shore, 27 Dec. 1988, leg. Korsós Z., det. Korsós Z. 1989; Budapest, Békásmegyér, Róka hill, 30 Mar. 1989, leg. Szederkényi N., det. Korsós Z. 1989; Budapest, Népsziget, 100m, willow, under bark, 15 Mar. 1990, leg. Merkl O., det. Korsós Z. 1990; Budapest, Hajógyári island, willow, leaf litter, 4 Mar. 1990, leg. Merkl O., det. Korsós Z. 1990; Budapest, Hajógyári island, 1 Apr. 1991, leg. Merkl O., det. Korsós Z. 1991; Budapest, Gellért hill, Somlói street 12, leaf litter, 10 Feb. 1998, leg. Fűrjes I., det. Korsós Z.; Budapest, Gellért hill, Somlói street, 10 May 1989, leg. Fűrjes I., det. Korsós Z. 1989; Fertőújlak, det. Korsós Z. 1995; Lébény, Nyíres, 30 Mar. 2000, leg. Podlussány A., det. Korsós Z.; County Somogy, Balatonszentgyörgy, Gulya Restaurant, 30 May 1994, leg. British Myriapod Group; County Somogy, Balatonfenyves, Hotel Fenyves, 29 May 1994, leg. R. E. Jones; Szeged, alluvium on the shore of Tisza, 8 Mar. 1937, leg. K. Czögler, det. Korsós Z. 1986;

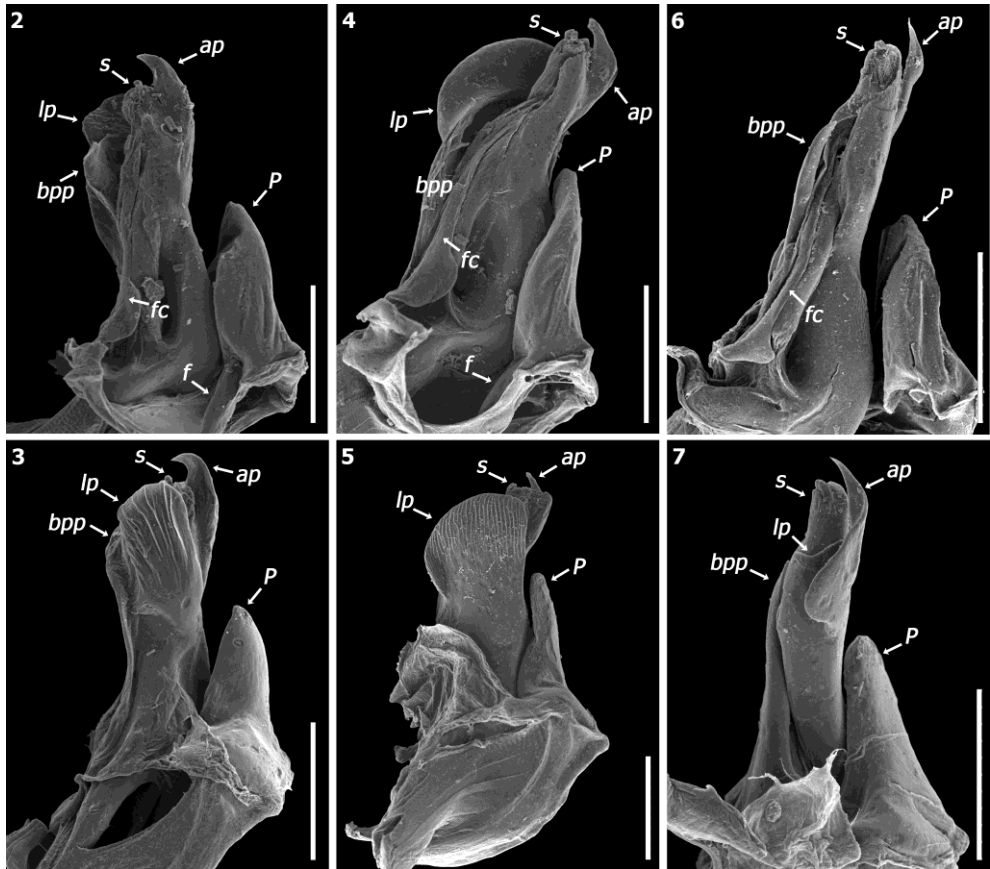


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*Descriptive notes*

*Males.* Length: 10.1–11.8 mm, height: 0.6–0.8 mm; number of body rings: 33+(1–2)+T; stadium: VIII.



**Figures 2–7.** SEM figures of *Brachyiulus* male gonopods, from mesal (upper row) and lateral views (lower row). 2–3 = *B. bagnalli* (County Pest, Szob, Danube shore, 27 Dec. 1988, leg. Z. Korsós), left and right gonopods, respectively, but both flipped horizontally to facilitate comparison; 4–5 = *B. lusitanus* (County Somogy, Balatonfenyves, 29 May 1994, leg. British Myriapod Group), right and left gonopods, respectively, but both flipped horizontally to facilitate comparison. Abbreviations: *ap*: anterior process, *fc*: flagellum channel, *lp*: lateral process, *P*: promere, *s*: solenomere. Scale bars: 0.2 mm.

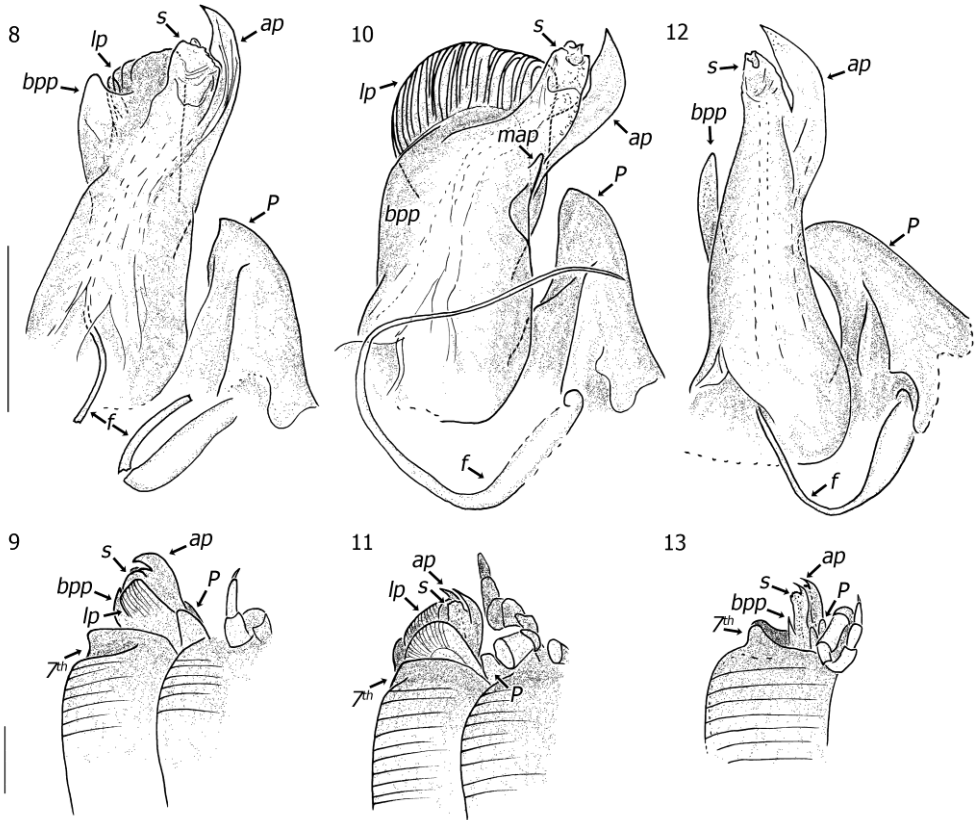
Anal valves with 9–10 setae on the valve, and another 9–10 on the mesal margin of the valve. Subanal scale less pointed than in *B. lusitanus*.

Gonopods (Figs 2–3, 8–9): Opisthomere without mesoanterior process; lateral process (*lp*) wide, divided into two parts: the anterolateral one forming a flattened, thin lamella with furrows, the mesocaudal part slightly pointed, without furrows.

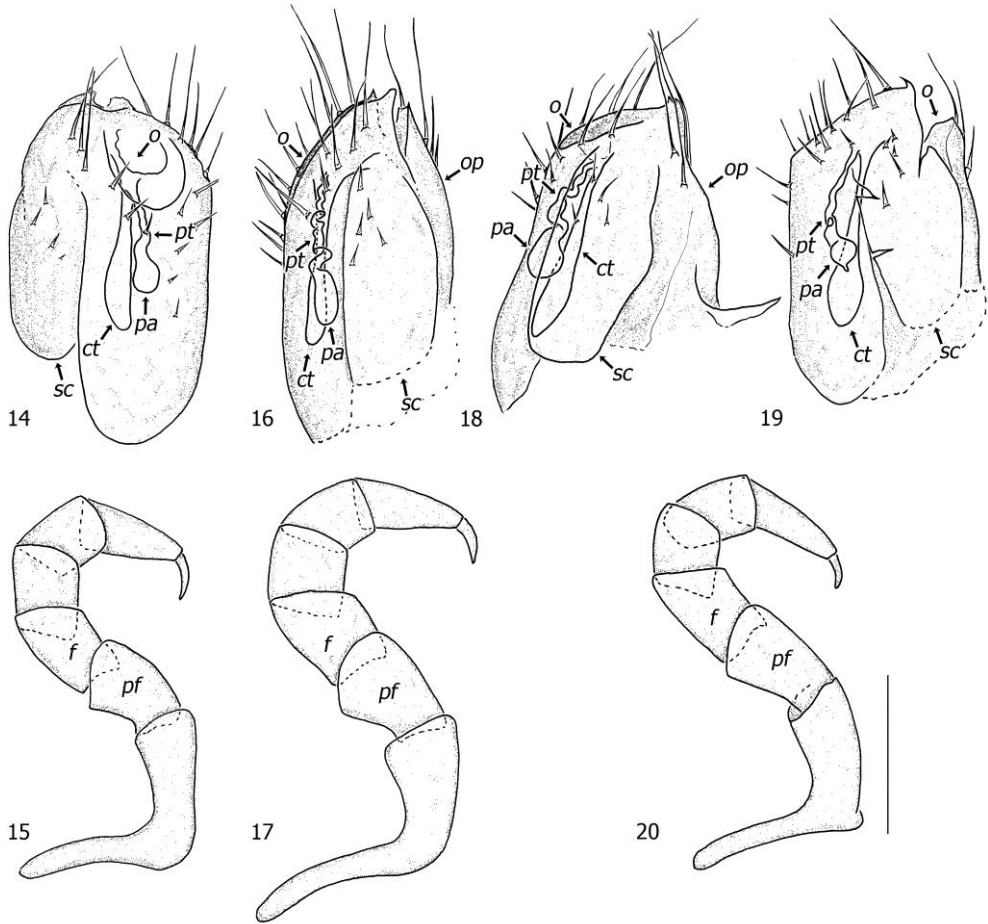
*Females.* Length: 11.7–12.4 mm, height: 0.8–0.9 mm, number of body rings: (33–35)+(2)+T, stadium: VIII.

Prefemur and femur (*pf* and *f* on Fig. 15, respectively) of mature female's 2<sup>nd</sup> leg-pair more elongated than the respective parts of *B. lusitanus* females (length/width ratio is around 1.5–1.7 for both parts). Anal valve with around 8 setae on the valve, and 8 on its mesal margin.

Vulva (Fig. 14): Not as elongated as by *B. lusitanus* (length/width ratio never reaching 2). Apical opening (*o*) is rounded, with a conspicuous central area. Bursa apically with 10–14 (max. 18) setae, *i.e.* considerably less setose than *B. lusitanus*. Side sclerites (*sc*) with 4 setae.



**Figures 8–13.** *Brachyiulus* male gonopods: from mesal view and *in situ* from left. 8–9 = *B. bagnalli* (Budapest, Népsziget, 15 Mar. 1990, leg. O. Merkl), right gonopods, and *in situ*; 10–11 = *B. lusitanus* (Törökbálint, Plantart Horticulture, 14 May 2015, leg. Z. Korsós); right gonopods, and *in situ*; 12–13 = *B. pusillus* (Törökbálint, Plantart Horticulture, 14 May 2015, leg. Z. Korsós), left gonopods flipped horizontally to facilitate comparison, and *in situ*. Abbreviations: *ap*: anterior process, *f*: flagellum, *lp*: lateral process, *map*: mesoanterior process, *P*: promere, *s*: solenomere, *7<sup>th</sup>*: pleurotergite of the 7<sup>th</sup> body ring. Scale bars: 0.2 mm.



**Figures 14–20.** *Brachyiulus* vulvae and female 2<sup>nd</sup> legs. 14–15 = *B. bagnalli* (Pusztaszéri Landscape Protection Area, Baks, Palásti forest, 4 June 1994, leg. Z. Korsós), right vulva and right 2<sup>nd</sup> leg from caudal view; 16–17 = *B. lusitanus*, (Szombathely, private home, Oct. 1998, leg. Cs. Szinétár), left vulva from caudo-lateral and right 2<sup>nd</sup> leg from caudal view; 18 = *B. aff. pusillus* (Törökbalint, Plantart Horticulture, 14 May 2015, leg. Z. Korsós), left vulva from lateral view; 19–20 = *B. pusillus* (“*Microbrachyiulus litoralis* Verh.” Bayern, III.3.127), left vulva from caudo-lateral view, and left 2<sup>nd</sup> leg from caudal view but flipped horizontally to facilitate comparison. Abbreviations: *ct*: central tube, *f*: femur, *o*: opening, *op*: operculum, *pa*: posterior ampulla, *pf*: prefemur, *pt*: posterior tube, *sc*: side sclerite. Scale bars: 0.2 mm.

Central tube (*ct*) elongated, distally slightly widening, at least 1.5 times longer than posterior tube (*pt*). Posterior tube (*pt*) wavy or just slightly folded (i.e. less folded than in *B. lusitanus*), ending in an elongated posterior ampulla (*pa*).

**Distribution.** Central European and Balkan species (Kime & Enghoff 2017, Vagalinski & Lazányi 2018). In Hungary it is found mostly in

natural habitats (Fig. 21). However, it also occurs in rural habitats as cities, parks. In these latter places it can co-occur with *B. lusitanus*.

**Remarks.** In Hungary, this species is most similar to *B. lusitanus* at first sight. The opisthomere of *B. bagnalli* does not have a mesoanterior process as in *B. lusitanus* (**map** on Fig. 10), the well-developed basoposterior process is

partly fused with the lateral process (*bpp* and *lp* on Figs 2–3, 8–9). The lateral process is thinner than in *B. lusitanus*.

Both males and females have around 8–10 seate on the anal valves (and 8–10 more on the mesal margin of the anal valves), not only 2–5 (5–

6, respectively) as in *B. lusitanus* and *B. pusillus*.

Since the poor original description of *B. pusillus* there has been a lot of confusion about many *Brachyiulus* species (for discussion see Vagalinski & Lazányi 2018). Although Brolemann (1924) corrected the misunderstanding



**Figure 21.** Distribution of three *Brachyiulus* species in Hungary.

*Brachyiulus bagnalli* ◻, *Brachyiulus lusitanus* ◊, *Brachyiulus pusillus* ◉

around the “Hungarian” *B. pusillus* by establishing a new name, *B. bagnalli*, and Dziadosz (1964) drew attention to this problem, the information did not become widely known. Loksa was still aware only of *B. pusillus* when he found the real *B. bagnalli* in Hungary (Loksa 1956), and therefore he described it as a new subspecies: *B. pusillus* ssp. *Kaszabi* Loksa, 1956 (later synonymised with *B. bagnalli* by Korsós 1994). As a student of Loksa, Sziráki has also referred to the species as *B. pusillus* (Sziráki 1966).

***Brachyiulus lusitanus* (Verhoeff, 1898)**

(Figs 4–5, 10–11, 16–17, 21)

*Brachyiulus pusillus, lusitanus* (sic!) Verhoeff, 1898: pp. 153–154, fig. 28.

*Brachyiulus lusitanus*: Sziráki 1966: p. 42.

*Brachyiulus lusitanus*: Vagalinski & Lazányi 2018: pp. 17–18, figs 6–9.

*Brachyiulus bagnalli* partim.: Korsós 1998: p. 90.

*Material investigated* (all det. Lazányi E.). Budapest, Margitsziget, 30 Apr. 1990, leg. Merkl O.; Budapest, Népliget, 6 Apr. 1990, leg. Róka Sz. & Korsós Z.; Budapest, Zugló, 27 Mar. 1990, leg. Korsós Z.; Budapest, Zugló, 15 Mar. 1989, leg. Korsós Z.; Budapest, Zugló, Vezér street, garden, 19 Mar. 1989, leg. Korsós Z.; Budapest, Zugló, garden, 29 Oct. 1988, leg. Korsós Z.; Budapest, 1096, Ernő street 21., inner garden, leaf litter, 19. Apr. 2019, leg. E. Lazányi; Dunaharaszti, garden, 11 Nov. 1989, leg. Sziráki Gy.; County Pest, Szob, Danube shore, 27 Dec. 1988, leg. Korsós Z.; Mindszent, Nagyhalom, 4 Oct. 1985, leg. Hornung E.; Szegec, Lake Fehér, from willow, 28 Apr. 1996, leg. Korsós Z.; Csorna, Lócsi channel, 17 June 1997, leg. Horváth E.; County Somogy, Balatonfenyves, 29 May 1994, leg. British Myriapod Group; Szombathely, private home, Oct. 1998, leg. Szinetár Cs.; Fertő-Hanság, Fertőújlak, Űrgedomb, 10 Oct. 1995, leg. Podlussány A.; Törökbálint, Plantart Kft., 14 May 2015, leg. Z. Korsós; Fertő-Hanság National Park, along the road leading to Nyíres, 18 Apr. 1996, leg. Horváth E.; Budapest, Csillaghegy, 30 Mar. 1990, leg. Szederkényi N.; Budapest, Csillaghegy, 1 Feb. 1989, leg. Szederkényi N.; Budapest, Városmajor, park, 5 Apr. 1990, leg. Korsós Z.; Budapest, Városliget, 8 Apr. 1989, leg. Korsós Z.

#### *Descriptive notes*

*Males.* Length: 10.4–10.5 mm, height: 0.8 mm; number of body rings: 33+2+T; stadium: VIII. Subanal scale somewhat more pointed than in *B. bagnalli*.

Gonopods (Figs 4–5, 10–11): Opisthomere with hardly detectable mesoanterior process (*map* on Fig. 10); lateral process wide, shovel-like, with numerous furrows (*lp*).

*Females.* Length: 11.6–15.6 mm, height: 1–1.1 mm, number of body rings: (32–36)+(1–2)+T, stadium: VIII–IX. Prefemur and femur (*pf* and *f* on Fig. 17, respectively) of mature female's 2<sup>nd</sup> leg-pair more stout than the respective parts of *B. bagnalli* females (length/width ratio around 1.2–1.5 for prefemur, and around 1.3 for femur).

Anal valve with around 2–4 setae on the valve, and 5–6 on its mesal margin. Prefemur and femur (*pf* and *f* on Fig. 17, respectively) of mature female's 2<sup>nd</sup> leg-pair more stout than the respective parts of *B. bagnalli* females (length/width ratio around 1.2–1.5 for prefemur, and around 1.3 for femur).

Vulva (Fig. 16): More elongated as by *B. bagnalli* (length/width ratio around 2). Apical opening (*o*) a bit U-shaped, not rounded. Bursa apically with 20–26 setae, *i.e.* considerably more setose than *B. bagnalli*. Side sclerites (*sc*) with 3–5 setae. Central tube (*ct*) elongated, distally slightly widening, just 1.1–1.3 times longer than posterior tube (*pt*). Posterior tube (*pt*) considerably folded, ending in an elongated or drop-shaped posterior ampulla (*pa*).

*Distribution.* Subcosmopolitan species (Kime & Enghoff 2017, Vagalinski & Lazányi 2018). In Hungary it is also found in mostly urban, rural habitats, gardens, parks, horticultures (Fig. 21). However, occasionally it may occur in natural habitats, too.

*Remarks.* In Hungary this species is most similar to *B. bagnalli* at first sight. The opisthomere of *B. lusitanus* does have a mesoanterior process (*map* on Fig. 10) contrary to *B. bagnalli*, but this process is hard to detect. The other difference is that the opisthomere's lateral process forms a wide, shovel-like lamella (*lp* on Figs 4–5, 10–11) which can be seen even *in situ* (Fig. 11). Basoposterior process (*bpp*) not so prominent. Anal valves are covered with only a few setae (2–5 on the valves and 5–6 on the anal valve's mesal margin of the valves) compared to *B. bagnalli* (8–10 and 8–10, respectively), but this feature does not distinguish the species from *B. pusillus*. Tadler gave beautiful detailed drawings about the species' gonopods and vulva and their fitting during copulation (Tadler 1996: figs. 2, 6, 9, 12 and 15). During copulation the vulva remains in the vulval sac. The short promerite touches the female's second leg-pair, while the considerably longer opisthomerite is deeply introduced to the vulval sac. The sole-nomerite fits into the opening (central funnel), and the apical process protrudes into the slit between the valvae (Tadler 1996).

The species was mentioned from Hungary in the doctoral thesis of Sziráki (1966), but only as information received from Loksa by personal communication (Sziráki, *pers comm.*). The data presented here are the first reliable Hungarian records of the species.

***Brachyiulus pusillus* (Leach, 1815)**

(Figs 6–7, 12–13, 18–20, 21)

*Julus pusillus* Leach, 1815: pp. 379–380.

*Brachyiulus (Microbrachyiulus) littoralis* Verhoeff, 1898: Brolemann 1924: pp. 108–109.

*Brachyiulus pusillus*: Vagalinski & Lazányi 2018: pp. 18–19.

*Material investigated.* Pest County, Törökbalint, Plantart Horticulture., 14 May 2015, leg. B. Török, det. Lazányi E. 2019; *Microbrachyiulus littoralis* Verh. Bayern, III.3.127.

*Descriptive notes*

*Males.* Length: 8.5–11.9 mm, height: 0.7–1 mm; number of body rings: (29–35)+(1–2)+T; stadium: VIII. Anal valves with 2–3 setae on the valve and 5–6 setae on its mesal margin. Subanal scale somewhat pointed.

Gonopods (Figs 6–7, 12–13): Opisthomere: without mesoanterior process, lateral process vestigial (*lp*), basoposterior process (*bpp*) short, thin, pointed.

*Females.* There were two adult *B. pusillus* females in the German sample (from Bayern), and three females in the Hungarian sample, but here males of both *B. lusitanus* and *B. pusillus* were found. Based on comparison with both the German (*B. pusillus*) and with other Hungarian material (*B. lusitanus*) we presume that there were *B. pusillus* females in the sample from Törökbalint. However, we give descriptive data separately for females of the two samples because the adult female individuals from Bayern were smaller, just in stadium VII.

Females from Bayern: Length: 10.2–11mm, height: 1–1.1 mm, number of body rings: (29–31)+(2–3)+T, stadium: VII. Anal valves with 2–

3 setae on the valve and 5–6 setae on its mesal margin. Prefemur and femur (*pf* and *f* on Fig. 20, respectively) of mature female's 2<sup>nd</sup> leg-pair elongated (length/width ratio around 1.6–1.62 for prefemur, and around 1.64–1.78 for femur). Vulva (Fig.19): less elongated compared to *B. lusitanus* (length/width ratio 1.63–1.7). Bursa apically with 14–16 setae, side sclerites (*sc*) with 2–5 setae. Central tube (*ct*) elongated, distally more or less widening, around 1.5 times longer than posterior tube (*pt*). Posterior tube (*pt*) moderately folded, ending in a mostly drop shaped posterior ampulla (*pa*), distally pointed.

Females from Törökbalint: Length: 11.5–14 mm, height: 1–1.1 mm, number of body rings: (32–36)+(1–2)+T, stadium: VIII–IX. Vulvae: Anal valves with 2–3 setae on the valve and 5–6 setae on its mesal margin. Vulva (Fig. 18): elongated (length/width ratio varies between 1.85–2.34). Bursa apically with 14–20 setae, side sclerites (*sc*) with 3–5 setae. Central tube (*ct*) elongated, distally slightly widening, around 1.4–1.5 times longer than posterior tube (*pt*). Posterior tube (*pt*) moderately folded, ending in a mostly drop shaped posterior ampulla (*pa*).

*Distribution.* Central and Western Europe, introduced to other regions (Kime & Enghoff 2017, Vagalinski & Lazányi 2018). In Hungary, the species is known only from horticulture, so its presence seems to be resulting from anthropochory (Fig. 21).

*Remarks.* The gonopods of this species differ significantly from those of the other two *Brachyiulus* species occurring in Hungary. The opisthomere is thin, elongated, its lateral process (*lp* on Figs 6–7, 12–13) is not lamellar, but vestigial compared to other congeneric species. The basoposterior process (*bpp*) is well-developed, but short, thin. Although the gonopods of *B. pusillus* are obviously different from the Hungarian congeners, female vulvae show intermediate characters between *B. bagnalli* and *B. lusitanus*.

As already mentioned in the discussion above the *B. bagnalli* section, the name “*B. pusillus*” has been erroneously cited many times from Hungary. The true *B. pusillus* is here reported as new to the Hungarian fauna.

## CONCLUSIONS

The millipede fauna of Hungary presently consists of 107 species, showing a mixture of European, Mediterranean, Alpine-Atlantic, Carpathian and synanthropic elements. The Carpathian Basin itself, due to its relatively well-defined situation with the surrounding mountain chains, contains a relatively high ratio of endemism in different animal groups (Varga 2018). Earlier, Korsós (1998) counted 10 species and 15 subspecies of millipedes as endemic to Hungary, i.e. 10.2%, 15.3%, respectively (compared to the earlier 96 species number). They were believed to occur mostly in caves and relict (such as glacial) habitats. With the accumulated distribution records from the surrounding countries, however, there remained only 2 species (1.8%), *Heteracrochordum evae* and *Typhloiulus polypodus*, both described by Loksa(1960) from the Bükk Mts, which could be considered as endemic millipedes to the Carpathian Basin. They have probably new occurrences in neighbouring Slovakia as well. Due to the taxonomical uncertainties we do not comment on the sub-specific category.

At the same time, however, influences of the surrounding Carpathian Mountains, especially from the north, represented by the Slovakian Tatras, and the east by Transylvania, as well as that of the foothills of the Alps in the west of Hungary are considered as important factors when describing the composition of the millipede fauna. Altogether, 15 species (14%) represent rare mountainous elements which are more common in the forests of the embracing mountain chains of the Carpathians. A considerable number of species are supposed to be brought into the country by the two big rivers, the Danube and the Tisza, from the west and east, respectively. And at last, synanthropic, introduced elements (13 species) also add up to 12% of the total fauna.

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