

**COLEOPTERAN SPECIES (COLEOPTERA: CHRYSOMELIDAE, ATTELABIDAE,  
BRENTIDAE, BRACHYCYERIDAE, CURCULIONIDAE) FROM THE ENTOMOLOGICAL  
COLLECTION OF THE CODRII NATURE RESERVE MUSEUM**

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**Abstract.** This paper presents a list of 76 coleopteran species belonging to 40 genera, 15 subfamilies and 5 families from the entomological collection of the Codrii Nature Reserve museum. The specimens were collected between 1972 and 1995.

**Keywords:** Coleoptera, Chrysomeloidea, Curculionoidea, Codrii Nature Reserve, list of species.

**Rezumat. Specii de coleoptere (Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae, Attelabidae, Brentidae, Brachyceridae, Curculionidae) din colecția entomologică a muzeului rezervației naturale Codrii.** Această lucrare prezintă o listă de 76 specii de coleoptere aparținând la 40 de genuri, 15 subfamilii și 5 familii din colecția entomologică a muzeului rezervației naturale Codrii. Exemplarele au fost colectate în perioada 1972 și 1995.

**Cuvinte cheie:** Coleoptera, Chrysomeloidea, Curculionoidea, Rezervația Naturală Codrii, listă de specii.

## INTRODUCTION

The Codrii Nature Reserve (hereinafter - Codrii reserve) is located in the north-west part of the Central Moldavian Plateau. Currently, the reserve occupies 5170 ha. and includes 2 zones: the strictly protected zone and the buffer zone. In order to reduce the anthropogenic impact on the forest ecosystem, a transition zone with an area of 12300 ha was created around the buffer zone. The nature here impresses with the abundance of species (around 900 plant species), some of which are rare or on the verge of extinction.

The Codrii reserve museum was founded on May 18, 2004. The heritage of the museum consists of 34 species of mammals, 88 species of birds, 9 species of reptiles, 9 species of amphibians and 364 species of insects. The present work represents a study of Coleoptera insects from Chrysomeloidea and Curculionoidea superfamilies.

According to previous publications regarding the entomological fauna of the Codrii reserve, 53 species of Chrysomelidae (BELOVA & CALESTRU, 2021; CALESTRU, 2008, 2006; GÎRNET & CALESTRU, 2007; ANDREEV et al., 2005) and 162 of Curculionoidea are known (ANDREEV et al., 2005; POIRAS, 1996).

## MATERIAL AND METHODS

The paper is based on the examination of material from the Chrysomeloidea and Curculionoidea superfamilies preserved in the entomological repository or displayed in the exhibition of invertebrates in the Codrii reserve museum.

The material was collected on the territory of the reserve between 1972 and 1995. Most of the specimens were harvested in 1984-1991. The sweep netting method was used to sample insects or by hand, directly from the plants. The Chrysomelidae specimens were collected and determined by prof. Zaharia Neculiseanu and the Curculionoidea by dr.hab. Anton Poiras and dr.hab. Gheorghe Manic. Information about species and dates are reported as found on the labels.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

A total of 76 species from 40 genera, 15 subfamilies and 5 families of phytophagous beetles (superfamilies Chrysomeloidea and Curculionoidea) have been recorded in Codri reserve Museum collection. The vast majority of the species belong to Curculionidae family (60 species; 79%). Then follows Chrysomelidae (7 species; 9%), Attelabidae (6 species; 8%), Brentidae (2 species; 3%) and Brachyceridae (1 species; 1%) (Table 1).

Table 1. The number of families, subfamilies, tribes, genera, species and specimens.

Family	Subfamily	Tribus	Number of genera	Number of species	Specimens
Chrysomelidae	Chrysomelinae	Chrysomelini	3	4	4
	Cryptocephalinae	Clytrini	1	1	1
		Cryptocephalini	1	2	2
Attelabidae	Attelabinae	Attelabini	1	1	1
	Rhynchitinae	Byctiscini	3	5	5
Brentidae	Apioninae	Apionini	1	2	2
Brachyceridae	Erirhininae	Erirhinini	1	1	1
Curculionidae	Curculioninae	Anthonomini	1	2	2
		Cionini	2	2	2
		Curculionini	1	5	5
		Ellescini	1	1	1

		Tychiini	2	3	3
	Bagoinae	-	1	1	1
	Baridinae	Baridini	1	1	1
	Ceutorhynchinae	Ceutorhynchini	1	1	1
	Cryptorhynchinae	Gasterocercini	1	1	1
	Entiminae	Omiini	1	1	1
		Otiorhynchini	1	10	13
		Peritelini	1	1	1
		Phyllobiini	1	4	4
		Psallidiini	1	1	1
		Scaphilini	3	3	3
		Sitonini	1	4	4
		Tanymecini	2	4	5
	Hyperinae	Hyperini	2	4	4
	Lixinae	Cleonini	2	2	2
		Lixini	2	8	9
	Molytinae	Lepyrini	1	1	1
5			27	40	76
					81

We present below the species identified in the processed material. The superfamilies, families, subfamilies and tribes are listed in the presumed phylogenetic position, according to BOUCHARD et al., (2011). Species are arranged in alphabetical order.

Used abbreviations: leg. – collector, det. - determinator, ex. - specimen, dwr. – drawer, loc. - locality;

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Zoogeographic type: HOL – Holarctic, PAL – Palearctic, WPAL – West-Palearctic, EUS – Euro-Siberian, E – European, EM – Euro-Mediterranean, CB - Carpatho-Balkanic, EUC – Euro-Caucasian, PM – Ponto-Mediterranean, PMA – Ponto-Middle-Asiatic.

## SUPERFAMILY CHRYSOMELOIDEA Latreille, 1802

### Family Chrysomelidae

#### Subfamily Chrysomelinae Latreille, 1802

Tribe Chrysomelini Latreille, 1802

*Chrysolina marginata* (Linnaeus, 1758) = *Chrysomela marginata*: 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 14.06.1991; leg., det. Z.N.; WPAL, dwr. 3.

*Chrysolina fastuosa* (Scopoli, 1763) = *Chrysomela fastuosa*: 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 07.06.1990, leg., det. Z.N.; PAL, dwr. 3.

*Entomoscelis adonidis* (Pallas, 1771): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.07.1988, leg., det. Z.N.; HOL, dwr. 3.

*Oreina caerulea* (Olivier, 1790) = *Chrysomela coerulea*: 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 14.06.1991, leg., det. Z.N.; E, dwr. 3.

#### Subfamily Cryptocephalinae Gyllenhal, 1813

Tribe Clytrini Kirby, 1837

*Clytra quadripunctata* (Linnaeus, 1758): 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 17.07.1988, leg., det. Z.N.; EUS, dwr. 3.

Tribe Cryptocephalini Gyllenhal, 1813

*Cryptocephalus sericeus* (Linnaeus, 1758): 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 09.06.1989, leg., det. Z.N.; WPAL, dwr. 3.

*Cryptocephalus violaceus* Laicharting, 1781: 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 12.07.1990, leg., det. Z.N.; E, dwr. 3.

## SUPERFAMILY CURCULIONOIDEA Latreille, 1802

### Family Attelabidae Billberg, 1820

#### Subfamily Attelabinae Billberg, 1820

Tribe Attelabini Billberg, 1820

*Attelabus nitens* (Scopoli, 1763) = *Curculio nitens*, *Attelabus curculionoides*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 05.06.1986, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.

#### Subfamily Rhynchitinae Gistel, 1848

Tribe Byctiscini Voss, 1923

*Byctiscus betulae* (Linnaeus, 1758) = *Curculio betulae*, *Rhynchites betuleti*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 09.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; PAL, dwr. 7.

Tribe Rhynchitini Gistel, 1848

*Lasiorhynchites sericeus* (Herbst, 1797) = *Coccycorhynchites sericeus*, *Rhynchites sericeus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 12.05.1972, leg., S.P., det. A.P.; EM, dwr. 7.

*Rhynchites pauxillus* (Germar, 1823) = *Neocoenorrhinus pauxillus*, *Coenorhinus pauxillus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1986, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.

*Rhynchites auratus* (Scopoli, 1763) = *Curculio auratus*, *Epirhynchites auratus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 29.06.1986, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.

*Rhynchites bacchus* (Linnaeus, 1758) = *Curculio bacchus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 10.05.1987, leg., det. A.P.; PAL, dwr. 7.

**Family Brentidae Billberg, 1820**

**Subfamily Apioninae Schönherr, 1823**

Tribe Apionini Schönherr, 1823

*Apion apricans* (Herbst, 1797) = *Protapion apricans* Hbst.: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 18.07.1986, leg., det. A.P.; PAL, dwr. 7.

*Apion fulvipes* (Geoffroy, 1785) = *Protapion fulvipes*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 18.07.1986, leg., det. A.P.; PAL, dwr. 7.

**Family Brachyceridae Billberg, 1820**

**Subfamily Erirhininae Schönherr, 1825**

Tribe Erirhinini Schönherr, 1825

*Lepidonotaris petax* (Sahlberg, 1829): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 06.07.1987, leg., det. A.P.; PMA, dwr. 8.

**Family Curculionidae Latreille, 1802**

**Subfamily Curculioninae Latreille, 1802**

Tribe Anthonomini Thomson, 1859

*Anthonomus pomorum* (Linnaeus, 1758): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 12.07.1995, leg., det. Gh. M.; HOL, dwr. 8.

*Anthonomus pedicularius* (Linnaeus, 1758): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 12.07.1995, leg., det. Gh. M.; WPAL, dwr. 8.

Tribe Cionini Schönherr, 1825

*Cionus hortulanus* (Fourcroy, 1785): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.09.1988, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.

*Stereonychus fraxini* (De Geer, 1775): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; EM, dwr. 8.

Tribe Curculionini Latreille, 1802

*Curculio aequatus* (Linnaeus, 1767) = *Tatianaerhynchites aequatus*, *Coenorhinus aequatus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1986, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.

*Curculio elephas* (Gyllenhal, 1836): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 01.07.1987, leg., det. A.P.; EM, dwr. 8.

*Curculio pellitus* (Boheman, 1843): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 29.05.1987, leg., det. A.P.; EM, dwr. 8.

*Curculio glandium* Marsham, 1802: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 02.05.1985, leg., det. A.P.; PAL, dwr. 8.

*Curculio villosus* Fabricius, 1781: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 29.05.1987, leg., det. A.P.; PAL, dwr. 8.

Tribe Ellescini Thomson, 1859

*Dorytomus longimanus* (Foerster, 1771): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.04.1985, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.

Tribe Tychiini Gistel, 1848

*Lignyodes bischoffi* (Blatchley & Leng, 1916): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 17.07.1989, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 8.

*Tychius quinquepunctatus* (Linnaeus, 1758): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 18.05.1985, leg., det. A.P.; PAL, dwr. 8.

*Tychius flavus* Becker, 1864: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.06.1985, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.

**Subfamily Bagoinae Thomson, 1859**

*Bagous argillaceus* Gyllenhal, 1836: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 01.07.1987, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.

**Subfamily Baridinae Schönherr, 1836**

Tribe Baridini Schönherr, 1836

*Baris scolopacea* Germar, 1819: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 18.07.1986, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.

**Subfamily Ceutorhynchinae Gistel, 1848**

Tribe Ceutorhynchini Gistel, 1848

*Nedyus quadrimaculatus* (Linnaeus, 1758) = *Ceutorhynchus quadrimaculatus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.09.1988, leg., det. A.P.; EUS, dwr. 8.

**Subfamily Cryptorhynchinae Schönherr, 1825**

Tribe Gasterocercini Zherikhin, 1991

*Gasterocercus depressirostris* (Fabricius, 1792): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 12.07.1985, leg., det. A.P.; E, dwr. 8.

**Subfamily Entiminae Schönherr, 1823**

Tribe Omiini Shuckard, 1839

*Orias rotundatus* (Fabricius, 1792) = *Mylacus rotundatus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.04.1986, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.

## Tribe Otiorhynchini Schönherr, 1826

- Otiorhynchus multipunctatus* (Fabricius, 1792): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 20.04.1984, leg., det. A.P.; E, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus hungaricus* Germar, 1824: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 14.05.1987, leg., det. A.P.; CB, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus (Aspaerorrhynchus) rauscus* (Fabricius, 1777): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 05.06.1985, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus (Podoropelmes) albidus* Stierlin, 1861: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 02.05.1985, leg., det. A.P.; CB, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus (Podoropelmes) fullo* (Schrank, 1781): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 02.06.1989, leg., det. A.P.; E, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus (Choilisanus) caucasicus* Stierlin, 1872: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 05.05.1989, leg., det. A.P.; EUC, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus (Pendragon) ovatus* (Linnaeus, 1758): 1 ex., s. Lozova, 08.05.1990, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus (Pseudocryphiphorus) tristis* (Scopoli, 1763): 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 09.05.1985, 04.07.1986, leg., det. A.P.; EUS, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus (Cryphiphorus) ligustici* (Linnaeus, 1785): 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 20.05.1989, 28.05.1990, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 7.  
*Otiorhynchus (Cirorhynchus) valachiae* Fuss, 1868: 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 17.07.1987, 20.07.1989, leg., det. A.P.; CB, dwr. 8.

## Tribe Peritelini Lacordaire, 1863

- Stomodes gyrosicollis* Boheman, 1843: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.09.1990, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 7.

## Tribe Phyllobiini Schönherr, 1826

- Phyllobius (Nemoicus) oblongus* (Linnaeus, 1758): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 19.05.1987, leg., det. A.P.; EUS, dwr. 7.  
*Phyllobius (Metaphyllobius) pomaceus* Gyllenhal, 1834 = *Phyllobius urticae*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.06.1989, leg., det. A.P.; EUS, dwr. 7.  
*Phyllobius seladonius* Brulle, 1832: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 03.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; CB, dwr. 7.  
*Phyllobius pyri* (Linnaeus, 1758) = *Phyllobius mollis*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 12.05.1989, leg., det. A.P.; EUS, dwr. 7.

## Tribe Psallidiini Lacordaire, 1863

- Psalidium maxillosum* (Fabricius, 1792): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.06.1989, leg., det. A.P.; PM, dwr. 7.

## Tribe Sciaphilini Sharp, 1891

- Eusomus ovulum* Germar, 1824: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 05.06.1989, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.  
*Sciaphilus asperatus* (Bonsdorff, 1785): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 7.  
*Sciaphobus (Neosciaphobus) squalidus* (Gyllenhal, 1834): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.05.1989, leg., det. A.P.; E, dwr. 7.

## Tribe Sitonini Gistel, 1848

- Sitona lineatus* (Linnaeus, 1758): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 7.  
*Sitona longulus* Gyllenhal, 1834: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.  
*Sitona macularius* (Marsham, 1802) = *Sitona crinitus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; PAL, dwr. 7.  
*Sitona inops* Gyllenhal, 1832: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 17.05.1985, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.

## Триба Tanymecini Lacordaire, 1863

- Tanymecus palliatus* (Fabricius, 1787): 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 20.07.1985, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 7.  
*Tanymecus dilaticollis* Gyllenhal, 1834: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 28.05.1986, leg., det. A.P.; EM, dwr. 7.  
*Chlorophanus excisus* (Fabricius, 1801) = *Curculio excisus*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; PM, dwr. 8.  
*Chlorophanus graminicola* (Olivier, 1807): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 09.06.1988, leg., det. A.P.; E, dwr. 8.

**Subfamily Hyperinae Marseul, 1863 (1848)**

## Tribe Hyperini Marseul, 1863

- Coniatus splendidulus* (Fabricius, 1781): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.09.1985, leg., det. A.P.; PM, dwr. 8.  
*Hypera zoilus* (Scopoli, 1763) = *Hypera punctata*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 10.06.1984, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 8.  
*Hypera rumicis* (Linnaeus, 1758): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 10.06.1985, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 8.  
*Hypera postica* (Gyllenhal, 1813) = *Hypera variabilis*: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 10.06.1985, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 8.

**Subfamily Lixinae Schönherr, 1823**

## Tribe Cleonini Schönherr, 1826

- Cyphocleonus dealbatus* (Gmelin, 1790): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 06.09.1988, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.  
*Cleonis pigra* (Scopoli, 1763): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 12.07.1987, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 8.

## Tribe Lixini Schönherr, 1823

- Larinus sturnus* (Schaller, 1783): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 09.08.1991, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.  
*Larinus turbinatus* Gyllenhal, 1836: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.  
*Larinus obtusus* Gyllenhal, 1836: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 02.07.1987, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.  
*Larinus planus* (Fabricius, 1792): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 16.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 8.

*Lixus subtilis* Boheman, 1836: 2 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.06.1985, 11.06.1987, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.

*Lixus cardui* Olivier, 1807: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 12.06.1990, leg., det. A.P.; PM, dwr. 8.

*Lixus iridis* Olivier, 1807: 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 09.06.1988, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8.

*Lixus incanescens* (Bohemian, 1836): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 04.08.1985, leg., det. A.P.; WPAL, dwr. 8

### Subfamily Moltytinae Schönherr, 1823

Tribe Lepyrini Kirby, 1837

*Lepyrus palustris* (Scopoli, 1763): 1 ex., loc. Lozova, 02.09.1990, leg., det. A.P.; HOL, dwr. 8.

Regarding the types of zoogeographic elements for the species in the collection (Fig. 1), 25 species are West-Palearctic elements (32,9%), 14 species are Holarctic elements, (18,4%), 9 Palearctic (11,8%), 7 European (9,2%), 6 Euro-Siberian (7,9%), 5 Euro-Mediterranean (6,6%), 4 Carpatho-Balkanic (5,3%), 4 Ponto-Mediterranean (5,3%), 1 Ponto-Middle-Asiatic (1,3%) and 1 Euro-Caucasian (1,3%). There is a wide variety of zoogeographical types, but most species are West-Palearctic elements.

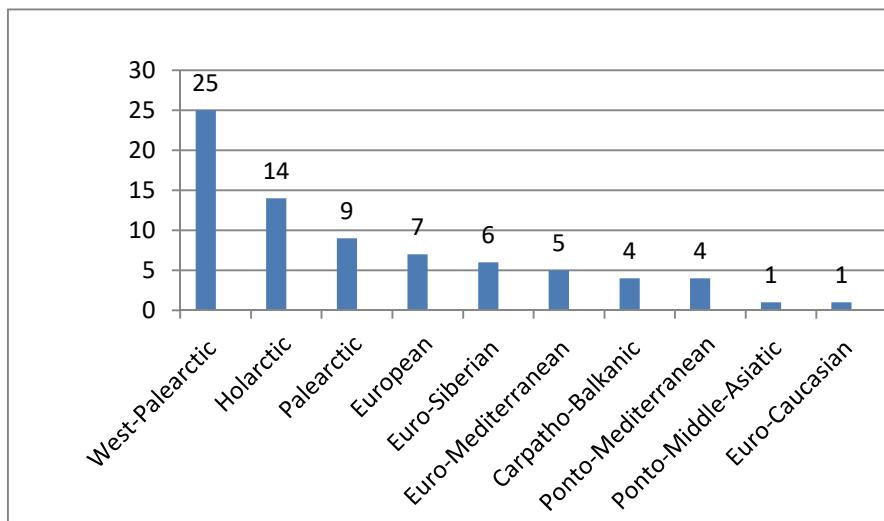


Figure 1. The analysis of species representation according to zoogeographic categories (based on 76 species).

As snout leaf beetles and weevils constitute a highly diverse group of phytophagous insects, many of them are considered harmful pests for both agriculture and forestry. Among the forestry pests, the species that cause damage of varying degrees are *Attelabus nitens* (Scop.), *Byctiscus betulae* (L.), *Curculio aequatus* (L.), *Curculio glandium* Marsh., *Lignyodes bischoffi* (Blatch.), *Otiorhynchus fullo* (Schrnk.), *Phyllobius pyri* (L.), *Rhynchites auratus* (Scop.), *Sciaphobus squalidus* (Gyll.) and *Stereonychus fraxini* (Deg.) (POIRAS, 1996, 1998, 2006).

The most dangerous pests include the ash weevil *Stereonychus fraxini* (Deg.), (STAHI et al., 2016) causing significant damage and drying of ash in Republic of Moldova, and such species as *Curculio glandium* Marsh., *Lignyodes bischoffi* (Blatch.), *Otiorhynchus fullo* (Schrink.) and *Attelabus nitens* Scop. may be considered potential pests that pose a threat only in certain years, with a massive reproduction.

The study of the entomofauna from protected areas in the Republic of Moldova is always relevant and has a special importance in shaping the possible paths of evolution and stable functioning of the forest ecosystems.

### CONCLUSIONS

The Chrysomeloidea and Curculionoidea beetle fauna of Codrii reserve is relatively well known.

76 species from the entomological collection of the Codrii reserve museum are presented. They belong to 5 families, 15 subfamilies, 27 tribes, and 40 genera as it follows: Chrysomelidae (2 subfamilies, 3 tribes, 5 genera and 7 species), Attelabidae (2 subfamilies, 2 tribes, 4 genera and 6 species), Brentidae (1 subfamily, 1 tribe, 1 genus and 2 species), Brachyceridae (1 subfamily, 1 tribe, 1 genus and 1 species), Curculionidae (9 subfamilies, 20 tribes, 29 genera and 60 species).

The most important forest pest species is the ash weevil *Stereonychus fraxini* (Deg.), which causes significant economic damages by producing mass defoliation of *Fraxinus* spp. trees.

Taking into consideration the much larger number of species mentioned for the fauna of the reserve, the collection should be developed with other species of Chrysomelidae and Curculionidae as well as with other families of insects.

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