Ground beetles (Coleoptera: Carabidae) from flowering oilseed rape fields (*Brassica napus*) in Southern Bulgaria



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Habitat

10 fields of oilseed rape during its flowering

Thracean Lowland:

near the villages of Malak Chardak, Kostievo, Stryama, Momino Selo, Dobrich and Stalevo Sarnena Sredna Gora Mts.: near the village of

Zelenikovo



Model organisms

Ground beetles (Coleoptera: Carabidae)



Captured beetles belonged to **59 species** and **25 genera**, representing 8% of the species and 20% of the genera in Bulgaria

New for the Thracean Lowland:

Amara eurynota, Brachinus elegans, Gynandromorphus etruscus, Harpalus xanthopus, Microlestes corticalis, Microlestes fulvibasis, Microlestes minutulus, Microlestes plagiatus, Parophonus laeviceps, Poecilus anatolicus, Poecilus puncticollis and Polystichus connexus

New for the Sarnena Sredna Gora:

Amara familiaris, Amara ovata, Amara saphyrea, Bembidion properans, Brachinus explodens, Carabus convexus, Gynandromorphus etruscus, Harpalus affinis, Harpalus distinguendus, Harpalus rubripes, Nebria brevicollis, Ophonus azureus, Parophonus mendax, Poecilus cupreus, Syntomus obscuroguttatus and Trechus quadristriatus

New genera:

Genus *Polystichus* was firstly recorded both in Thracean Lowland and Sredna Gora Mts.; *Anchomenus, Microlestes* and *Pedius* are new for the whole Sredna Gora Mts.; *Brachinus, Harpalus, Chlaenius, Parophonus* and *Poecilus* are new for the Sarnena Sredna Gora Mts.

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