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Coleoptera: Leiodidae: Platypsyllinae

Platypsyllus castoris Ritsema, 1869. Moravia bor., Olomouc - Chomoutov (6369), 23.iv.1997, 1 spec. on a beaver trapped on a big island in the Chomoutov lake, M. Veselý lgt., det. et coll. An ectoparasitic species occurring on European Beavers (*Castor fiber* L.) probably in their entire range of distribution including Poland (Buchholz & Sikora 1984) and Germany (Friedrich 1894, Horion 1949). This specimen was found on a beaver originating from Poland and released in Chomoutov in 1992 (Kostkan 1995). The beaver community seems to be well established in Litovelské Pomoraví area at present. New species for the Czech Republic.

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