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Coleoptera: Curculionidae: Scolytinae

Taphrorychus hirtellus Eichhoff, 1878. Moravia mer., Poštorná (7267), 3.v.2008, A. Trmal lgt., 5 ♂♂, all specimens captured by beating oak branches in open canopy oak forest, M. Knížek det., A. Trmal and M. Knížek coll. Rather rare, not commonly collected species; the nearest occurrence to our country is Slovakia (Pfeffer & Knížek 1993), from where it was mentioned by Pfeffer (1932) for the first time (based on specimens collected by Jan Roubal) and which was the northernmost locality up to now at the time. *T. hirtellus* is distributed in Europe (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Macedonia, Romania, Slovakia and Serbia), North Africa (Algeria) and Asia Minor (Turkey) (Pfeffer 1955, Knížek 2004, M. Knížek, unpubl. data). The species, originally described in the genus *Taphrorychus* Eichhoff, 1878, was later combined in the newly established genus *Taphrocoetes* by Pfeffer (1987). The status of this genus was revised and synonymized with *Taphrorychus* Eichhoff, 1878 by Wood (1992). Oligophagous species on *Quercus cerris*, *Q. frainetto*, *Fagus sylvatica*, *F. orientalis* (Fagaceae) and *Corylus avellana* (Corylaceae) (Pfeffer 1995). New species for the Czech Republic.

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