

# Notes on Norwegian Coleoptera 6

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This contribution deals with additions and corrections to the list of Norwegian Coleoptera. The following three species are reported for the first time from Norway: *Nicrophorus interruptus* Stephens, 1830 (Silphidae), *Triphyllus bicolor* (Fabricius, 1777) (Mycetophagidae) and *Mordellaria aurofasciata* (Comolli, 1837) (Mordellidae). *Cryptolaemus montrouzieri* Mulsant, 1853 (Coccinellidae) is reported for the first time outside a greenhouse in Norway. This species is frequently used for biological control of mealy-bugs in greenhouses. *Scymnus ater* Kugelan, 1794 (Coccinellidae) is removed from the Norwegian list. The previous report of this species was based on a misidentification.

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## INTRODUCTION

The Norwegian beetle-fauna is far from fully investigated, and new species to the Norwegian fauna are still encountered. The aim of this paper is to add recent information concerning Norwegian Coleoptera, and to update additions and corrections to the list. This is the sixth contribution in the series. The latest one was Sagvolden & Hansen (2001). The nomenclature follows Silfverberg (2004), if not otherwise is stated. The records are given in accordance with Økland (1981), and the EIS-squares with Økland (1977). If nothing else is stated, the material is collected by the authors, and deposited in the collections of the junior author or at the Natural History Museum, University of Oslo. The following abbreviations have been used in the text: LOH = Lars Ove Hansen, BAS = Bjørn A. Sagvolden.

## SPECIES ADDED TO THE NORWEGIAN LIST

### Silphidae

*Nicrophorus interruptus* Stephens, 1830;  
nec Brullé, 1822

[= *Nicrophorus fossor* Erichson, 1837]

A single male was captured in a pitfall-trap at Ø Hvaler: Kirkøy, Ørekroken [UTM WGS84 32V PL 153454; EIS 12], 22 June-16 July 2003 (leg. LOH). The locality is an open sandy shore scattered with meadows and open pine forest. The area has previously been grazed by cattle, but the open areas are now reduced and starting to get overgrown by bushes and trees. The trap collected several other *Nicrophorus* spp., even though it was only loaded with ethylene glycol. The attraction was probably caused by two mice (*Mus* spp.) that had drowned in the trap, and started to decompose. Several more traps were