

ANNOTATED LIST OF THE BARK AND AMBROSIA BEETLES  
(COLEOPTERA: SCOLYTIDAE) OF MARYLAND, WITH NEW  
DISTRIBUTIONAL RECORDS

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*Abstract.*—A total of 110 species of Scolytidae are reported from Maryland. Thirty species reported new to Maryland are: *Hylastes opacus* Erichson, *Dendroctonus valens* LeConte, *Tomicus piniperda* (L.), *Phloeotribus dentifrons* (Blackman), *Carphoborus bicornis* Wood, *Polygraphus rufipennis* (Kirby), *Hylocurus flaglerensis* Blackman, *Micracisella opacicollis* (LeConte), *Ips avulsus* (Eichhoff), *Dryocoetes affaber* (Mannerheim), *D. autographus* (Ratzburg), *D. granicollis* (LeConte), *Lymantor decipiens* (LeConte), *Trypodendron betulae* Swaine, *T. lineatum* (Olivier), *T. retusum* (LeConte), *T. scabricollis* (LeConte), *Ambrosiodmus obliquus* (LeConte), *Xyleborus planicollis* Zimmermann, *Xylosandrus crassiusculus* (Motschulsky), *Cryphalus rubentis* Hopkins, *Pityoborus comatus* (Zimmermann), *Pityophthorus balsameus* Blackman, *P. cariniceps* LeConte, *P. confusus* Blandford, *P. liquidambarus* Blackman, *P. opaculus* LeConte, *P. puberulus* (LeConte), *Pseudopityophthorus asperulus* (LeConte), and *Corthylus punctatissimus* (Zimmermann). Of the 110 species reported in the state, 19 are not native to North America.

*Key Words:* Scolytidae, distribution, Maryland

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The geography of Maryland is exceptionally diverse for its small size. Five physiographic provinces cover the State from east to west (Coastal Plain, Piedmont, Ridge and Valley, Blue Ridge, and Allegheny Plateau). With this diversity in land forms comes a diversity of forest types. In addition, due to its position in the Mid-Atlantic Region, forest types commonly found in the southeastern U.S. and the northeastern U.S. can be found in Maryland.

The variety of forests in Maryland is reflected in its forest insect fauna. This is especially true of the bark and ambrosia beetles. On the Coastal Plain in southeastern Maryland, southern species, such as *Dendroctonus frontalis* (Zimmermann), are common, whereas in the mountainous,

western portion of the State, more northern species, such as *Polygraphus rufipennis* (Kirby) are found. Historically, many general collectors and scolytid specialists at the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution (USNM), Washington, DC and USDA in Beltsville, MD, have collected extensively in Maryland. The USNM collection and publications from the first half of the 20th century contains many bark beetle records from the state; however, recently there has been very little information on the scolytid fauna of Maryland.

Since 1987, bark beetle collecting and surveys have been conducted as part of the routine forest pest survey activities by the Maryland Department of Agriculture. Additionally, since 1993, an extensive trapping



Table 1. Non-native scolytids found in Maryland.

| Species                                        | Origin      | Year   |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| <i>Ambrosiodmus rubricollis</i> (Eichhoff)     | Asia        | 1940's |
| <i>Dryoxylon onoharaensum</i> (Murayama)       | Asia        | 1990's |
| <i>Euwallacea validus</i> (Eichhoff)           | Asia        | 1980's |
| <i>Hylastes opacus</i> Erichson                | Europe      | 1990's |
| <i>Hylastinus obscurus</i> (Marshall)          | Europe      | <1900  |
| <i>Hypothenemus californicus</i> Hopkins       | Neotropics? | 19??   |
| <i>Hypothenemus crudiae</i> (Panzer)           | Neotropics? | 19??   |
| <i>Scolytus mali</i> (Beckstein)               | Europe      | 1950's |
| <i>Scolytus multistriatus</i> (Marshall)       | Europe      | 1900's |
| <i>Scolytus rugulosus</i> (Muller)             | Europe      | <1900  |
| <i>Tomicus piniperda</i> (Linnaeus)            | Europe      | 1990's |
| <i>Xyleborinus saxeseni</i> (Ratzeburg)        | Europe      | <1900  |
| <i>Xyleborus pelliculosus</i> Eichhoff         | Asia        | 1980's |
| <i>Xyleborus pfeili</i> (Ratzeburg)            | Europe      | 1990's |
| <i>Xyleborus atratus</i> Eichhoff              | Asia        | 1980's |
| <i>Xyleborus californicus</i> Wood             | Asia        | 1990's |
| <i>Xyleborus dispar</i> (Fabricius)            | Europe      | 1900's |
| <i>Xylosandrus germanus</i> (Blandford)        | Asia        | 1930's |
| <i>Xylosandrus crassiusculus</i> (Motschulsky) | Asia        | 1980's |

program has been conducted as part of several USDA-APHIS programs to survey for exotic bark beetles that may have been introduced into the US.

One hundred ten species are listed herein as occurring in Maryland. This is comparable to the numbers of species reported from some of the much larger western states (Furniss et al. 1992, Furniss and Johnson 1987, Gast et al. 1989). Since 1987, 106 species have been collected in the above mentioned surveys, the remaining four species are from historical records. Thirty species are reported as new to Maryland. Most of these new records are for species previously reported in one or more neighboring states. The exceptions are *Pityoborus commatus* (Zimmermann) and *Hyllocurus flaglerensis* Blackman with closest records from North Carolina and Florida, respectively. In a recent paper (Rabaglia and Williams 2002), two species of *Hylesinus* from western and midwestern North America were reported from Maryland.

Sources of published records are Wood and Bright (1992) and Bright and Skidmore (1997). Species listed as "Newly Reported in Maryland" are those species not listed

from Maryland in these publications or other refereed publications since 1994. Species electronically reported as occurring in Maryland (i.e., *Tomicus piniperda* (L.), *Hylastes opacus* Erichson and *Xylosandrus crassiusculus* (Motschulsky)) are reported as new in this publication.

Of the 110 species now reported from Maryland, 19 are not native to North America (Table 1). Recent publications have discussed the origins and the increasing occurrence of these introductions (Atkinson et al. 1990 and Vandenberg et al. 2000). Since 1980, nine species of exotic scolytids have become established in Maryland, six of which are native to Asia. With increasing trade, an active shipping port and a diversity of forests, this number is likely to continue to increase.

Abbreviations for repositories of specimens new to Maryland are: MDAC—Maryland Department of Agriculture, Annapolis, MD; RJRC—Robert J. Rabaglia collection, Annapolis, MD and USNM—National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC. Numbers of specimens appear in parenthesis with abbreviations.



## NEW MARYLAND RECORDS OF SCOLYTIDAE

Species are arranged taxonomically as listed in Wood and Bright (1992). For Maryland localities, the first Maryland record is given, followed by other counties from which the species has been collected.

## Subfamily Hylesiniinae

*Hylastes opacus* Erichson

Distribution.—Asia, Europe; USA: ME, NH, NY, VT, VA, WV, MD: Garrett Co., Keyser's Ridge, 25 April 1996, Virginia pine log, MDA coll. (1, MDAC). Other counties: Allegany, Baltimore, Carroll, Cecil, Harford, Queen Anne's, Washington. Comments: This exotic bark beetle is becoming increasingly common in stumps of cut pine trees, and survey traps baited with  $\alpha$ -pinene.

*Dendroctonus valens* LeConte

Distribution.—USA: AZ, CA, CO, DE, ID, IL, IN, KS, ME, MA, MI, MN, MT, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, OR, PA, SD, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, MD: Anne Arundel Co., Annapolis, 6 April 1988, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, MDAC). Other counties: Allegany, Baltimore, Carroll, Cecil, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Montgomery, Queen Anne's, Washington. Comments: The red turpentine beetle is a common species across the state except for the extreme southeastern Coastal Plain where it is replaced by *Dendroctonus terebrans* (Olivier).

*Tomicus piniperda* (L.)

Distribution.—Africa, Asia, Europe; USA: IL, IN, ME, MI, NH, NY, OH, PA, VT, WI, MD: Allegany Co., Oldtown, 3 April 1995, ex:  $\alpha$ -pinene-baited trap, MDA coll. (1, USNM). Other counties: Frederick, Garrett, Washington. Comments: The pine shoot beetle has been found only in  $\alpha$ -pinene baited funnel traps in the four western counties. It has not been collected in trees through 2001.

*Phloeotribus dentifrons* (Blackman)

Distribution.—USA: DC, FL, IL, KS, LA, MI, MS, NJ, ND, OH, PA, SC, TX, VA, WV, MD: Kent Co., Meliota, 7 May 1997, MDA coll. ex: Ipslure-baited trap (1, MDAC).

*Carphoborus bicornis* Wood

Distribution.—USA: AL, DC, FL, PA, SC, MD: Talbot Co., Trappe, 2 February 1988, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (3, MDAC). Other counties: Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Queen Anne's, Wicomico.

*Polygraphus rufipennis* (Kirby)

Distribution.—USA: AK, AZ, CO, DC, ID, ME, MA, MI, MN, MT, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WY, MD: Garrett Co., Bittinger, 29 July 1988, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, MDAC).

## Subfamily Scolytinae

*Hylocurus flaglerensis* Blackman

Distribution.—USA: DE, FL, MD: Kent Co., Sandy Bottom, 3 May 1994, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, RJRC). Other counties: Baltimore, Talbot. Comments: Prior to these collections, and collections in Delaware (Rabaglia and Valenti 2003), this species was known only from the type series in Florida.

*Micracisella opacicollis* (LeConte)

Distribution.—USA: DE, DC, IL, GA, KS, MA, MI, MN, MO, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PA, VA, WV, MD: Frederick Co., Ijamsville, 21 April, 1995, MDA coll. ex: Ipslure-baited trap (1, MDAC).

*Ips avulsus* (Eichhoff)

Distribution.—USA: AL, AR, DC, FL, GA, LA, MS, NJ, NC, PA, SC, TX, VA, WV, WI, MD: Washington Co., Ft Frederick State Park, 19 October 1993, R.J. Rabaglia coll. ex: Ipslure-baited trap (3, MDAC). Other counties: Anne Arundel,



Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, Worcester.

*Dryocoetes affaber* (Mannerheim)

Distribution.—USA: AK, AZ, CO, ID, ME, MI, MN, MT, NH, NM, NY, NC, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, WA, WV, WI, WY, MD: Garrett Co., Swallow Falls State Park, 27 June 1995, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, MDAC).

*Dryocoetes autographus* (Ratzeburg)

Distribution.—Africa, Asia, Europe; USA: AK, CA, CO, DE, ME, MI, MN, MT, NV, NH, NM, NY, NC, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, MD: Garrett Co., Swallow Falls State Park, 27 June 1995, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (2, MDAC).

*Dryocoetes granicollis* (LeConte)

Distribution.—USA: AR, DE, DC, FL, GA, IL, KY, LA, MO, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PA, TX, VA, MD: Baltimore Co., Glen Arm, 30 May 1987, W. Steiner coll. (2, USNM). Other counties: Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Cecil, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's.

*Lymantria decipiens* (LeConte)

Distribution.—USA: DE, IA, KY, ME, MA, MI, MN, MS, NJ, NY, OH, PA, VA, WV, MD: Caroline Co., Tuckahoe State Park, 5 May 1994, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, MDAC). Other counties: Allegany, Baltimore, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Frederick, Harford, Kent.

*Trypodendron betulae* Swaine

Distribution.—USA: ID, ME, MA, MO, MT, NH, NJ, NY, OR, SD, WI, MD: Garrett Co., Hutton, 10 April 1995, MDA coll. ex:  $\alpha$ -pinene baited trap (1, MDAC).

*Trypodendron lineatum* (Olivier)

Distribution.—Africa, Asia, Europe; USA: AK, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DC, ME, MI, MO, MT, NV, NH, NM, NY, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, WA, WV, WY, MD: Garrett Co., Accident, 5 May 1993, MDA coll. ex: terpene-baited trap (2, MDAC). Other counties: Washington.

*Trypodendron retusum* (LeConte)

Distribution.—USA: AZ, CA, CO, CT, ID, MI, MO, MT, NV, NH, NM, NY, OR, PA, SD, UT, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY, MD: Garrett Co., Accident, 12 April 1994, Joe Winters coll. ex: Ipslure-baited trap (1, MDAC).

*Trypodendron scabricollis* (LeConte)

Distribution.—USA: AR, ME, MO, MS, NJ, NC, PA, SC, VA, WV, MD: Allegany Co., Luke, 3 April 1995, MDA coll.  $\alpha$ -pinene-baited trap (1, MDAC). Other counties: Anne Arundel, Frederick, Garrett, Montgomery, Washington.

*Ambrosiodmus obliquus* (LeConte)

Distribution.—Africa, South America; USA: DE, DC, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, VA, MD: Charles Co., Cedarville State Forest, 3 June 1988, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, RJRC). Other counties: Anne Arundel, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Talbot.

*Xyleborus planicollis* Zimmermann

Distribution.—USA: IL, IN, MO, NC, PA, MD: Garrett Co., Accident, 1 October 1999, MDA coll. ex: Allison-Pike trap (1, MDAC).

*Xylosandrus crassiusculus* (Motschulsky)

Distribution.—Africa, Asia; USA: DE, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, SC, TX, MD: Washington Co., Big Pool, 29 July 1993, R.J. Rabaglia coll. ex: Frontalin-baited trap (1, MDAC). Other counties: Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Cecil, Harford, Kent, Prince George's, Queen Anne's, Worcester. Comments: Commonly known as the Asian ambrosia beetle, this species is becoming increasingly common in survey traps, and occasionally attacks landscape trees and nursery stock.

*Cryphalus rubentis* Hopkins

Distribution.—USA: NC, PA, WV, MD: Garrett Co., Table Rock, 10 April 1995, MDA coll. ex:  $\alpha$ -pinene-baited trap (3, MDAC). Other counties: Allegany. Com-



ments: Hundreds of specimens have been collected in funnel traps baited with  $\alpha$ -pinene in the western counties.

*Pityoborus commatus* (Zimmermann)

Distribution.—USA: AL, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, SC, MD: Cecil Co., Elk Neck State Forest, 17 April 1997, MDA coll. ex: sulcatol-baited trap (5, MDAC). Comments: This is the first record of this species north of North Carolina. It has been found only in sulcatol-baited funnel traps.

*Pityophthorus balsameus* Blackman

Distribution.—USA: ME, MI, MN, NH, NY, NC, WV, WI, MD: Garrett Co., Key-sers Ridge, 28 May 1997, MDA coll. ex: spruce (1, MDAC).

*Pityophthorus cariniceps* LeConte

Distribution.—USA: CT, DE, IN, KY, ME, MA, MI, MN, NH, NY, NC, OH, PA, SC, VA, WI, MD: Baltimore Co., Loch Raven Resv., 20 April 1993, R.J. Rabaglia coll. ex: Ipslure-baited trap (1, MDAC). Other counties: Allegany, Cecil, Frederick, Garrett, Harford. Comments: This twig-infesting species probably occurs state-wide, and is found often in Ipslure-baited funnel traps.

*Pityophthorus confusus* Blandford

Distribution.—USA: AL, AR, DE, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, PA, SC, TX, VA, WV, MD: Talbot Co., Seth State Forest, 29 June 1988, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, MDAC). Other counties: Cecil, Dorchester, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Worcester.

*Pityophthorus liquidambarus* Blackman

Distribution.—USA: AR, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, IL, IN, IA, LA, MS, NC, WV, MD: Somerset Co., Wellington, 19 May 1994, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, MDAC). Other counties: Charles.

*Pityophthorus opaculus* LeConte

Distribution.—USA: AK, AZ, CA, CO, DE, ID, ME, MI, MN, NV, NH, NM, NY,

PA, SD, UT, WV, WY, MD: Carroll Co., Eldersburg, 1 June 1995, MDA coll. ex: Chalcoprax-baited trap (1, MDAC).

*Pityophthorus puberulus* (LeConte)

Distribution.—USA: DE, DC, IN, KS, KY, ME, MA, MI, MN, NH, IA, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PA, RI, VA, WV, WI, MD: Cecil Co., Chesapeake City, 25 April 1994, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, MDAC). Other counties: Allegany, Calvert, Garrett, Howard, Kent, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Talbot, Washington.

*Pseudopityophthorus asperulus* (LeConte)

Distribution.—USA: CT, DC, FL, GA, IL, LA, ME, MA, MS, MI, NJ, NY, NC, PA, TN, TX, WV, MD: St Mary's Co., Hollywood, 12 June 1996, R.J. Rabaglia coll. (1, MDAC).

*Corthylus punctatissimus* (Zimmermann)

Distribution.—USA: AR, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, IL, KY, MA, MI, MN, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PA, RI, TN, VT, VA, WV, MD: Montgomery Co., Brighton, 13 April 1995, MDA coll. ex: Ipslure-baited trap, (1, MDAC). Other counties: Anne Arundel, Cecil, Kent.

LIST OF MARYLAND SCOLYTIDAE

- a = Species newly reported in Maryland.
- b = Exotic species found in Maryland.
- c = Species previously reported in Maryland, but not collected in recent surveys.

Hylesininae

Hylastini

- Hylastes opacus* Erichson—a,b
- Hylastes porculus* Erichson
- Hylastes salebrosus* Eichhoff
- Hylastes tenuis* Eichhoff
- Hylurgops rugipennis pinifex* (Fitch)

Hylesinini

- Hylastinus obscurus* (Marsham)—b
- Hylesinus aculeatus* Say
- Hylesinus californicus* (Swaine)



*Hylesinus criddlei* (Swaine)  
*Hylesinus fasciatus* LeConte  
*Hylesinus pruinus* Eichhoff

#### Tomicini

*Dendroctonus frontalis* (Zimmermann)  
*Dendroctonus terebrans* (Olivier)  
*Dendroctonus valens* LeConte—a  
*Hylurgopinus rufipes* (Eichhoff)  
*Tomicus piniperda* (L.)—a,b

#### Bothrosternini

*Cnesinus strigicollis* LeConte

#### Phloeotribini

*Phloeotribus dentifrons* (Blackman)—a  
*Phloeotribus frontalis* (Fabricius)  
*Phloeotribus liminaris* (Harris)

#### Phloeosinini

*Chramesus chapuisi* LeConte—c  
*Chramesus hicoriae* LeConte  
*Phloeosinus dentatus* (Say)

#### Polygraphini

*Carphoborus bicornis* Wood—a  
*Carphoborus bifurcus* Eichhoff  
*Polygraphus rufipennis* (Kirby)—a

#### Scolytinae

##### Scolytini

*Scolytus mali* (Bechstein)—b  
*Scolytus multistriatus* (Marsham)—b  
*Scolytus muticus* Say  
*Scolytus quadrispinosus* Say  
*Scolytus rugulosus* (Muller)—b

##### Micracini

*Hylocurus flaglerensis* Blackman—a  
*Hylocurus langstoni* Blackman—c  
*Hylocurus rudis* (LeConte)  
*Micracis suturalis* LeConte  
*Micracis swaini* Blackman  
*Micracisella opacicollis* (LeConte)—a  
*Pseudothysanoides lecontei* Blackman  
*Thysanoides fimbriicornis* LeConte

##### Ipini

*Ips avulsus* (Eichhoff)—a  
*Ips calligraphus* (Germar)

*Ips grandicollis* (Eichhoff)  
*Ips pini* (Say)  
*Orthotomicus caelatus* (Eichhoff)  
*Pityogenes hopkinsi* Swaine  
*Pityogenes plagiatus* (LeConte)

#### Dryocoetini

*Dryocoetes affaber* (Mannerheim)—a  
*Dryocoetes autographus* (Ratzburg)—a  
*Dryocoetes betulae* Hopkins  
*Dryocoetes granicollis* (LeConte)—a  
*Dryoxylon onoharaensum* (Murayama)—b  
*Lymantria decipiens* (LeConte)—a

#### Crypturgini

*Crypturgus alutaceus* Schwarz

#### Xyloterini

*Trypodendron betulae* Swaine—a  
*Trypodendron lineatum* (Olivier)—a  
*Trypodendron retusum* (LeConte)—a  
*Trypodendron scabricollis* (LeConte)—a  
*Xyloterinus politus* Say

#### Xyleborini

*Ambrosiodmus obliquus* (LeConte)—a  
*Ambrosiodmus rubricollis* (Eichhoff)—b  
*Ambrosiodmus tachygraphus* (Zimmermann)  
*Euwallacea validus* (Eichhoff)—b  
*Xyleborinus saxeseni* (Ratzburg)—b  
*Xyleborus affinis* Eichhoff  
*Xyleborus atratus* Eichhoff—b  
*Xyleborus californicus* Wood—b  
*Xyleborus celsus* Eichhoff  
*Xyleborus dispar* (Fabricius)—b  
*Xyleborus ferrugineus* (Fabricius)  
*Xyleborus intrusus* Blandford  
*Xyleborus pelliculosus* Eichhoff—b  
*Xyleborus pfeili* (Ratzeburg)—b  
*Xyleborus planicollis* Zimmermann—a  
*Xyleborus pubescens* Zimmermann  
*Xyleborus sayi* (Hopkins)  
*Xyleborus viduus* Eichhoff  
*Xyleborus xylographus* (Say)  
*Xylosandrus crassiusculus* (Motschulsky)—a,b  
*Xylosandrus germanus* (Blandford)—b



## Cryphalini

- Cryphalus rubentis* Hopkins—a  
*Hypothenemus californicus* Hopkins—b  
*Hypothenemus crudiae* (Panzer)—b  
*Hypothenemus dissimilis* (Zimmermann)  
*Hypothenemus eruditus* Westwood  
*Hypothenemus interstitialis* (Hopkins)  
*Hypothenemus rotundicollis* (Eichhoff)  
*Trischidas atoma* (Hopkins)—c

## Corthylini

- Conophthorus coniperda* (Schwarz)  
*Corthylus columbianus* Hopkins  
*Corthylus punctatissimus* (Zimmermann)—a  
*Gnathotrichus materiarius* (Fitch)  
*Monarthrum fasciatum* (Say)  
*Monarthrum mali* (Fitch)  
*Pityoborus commatus* (Zimmermann)—a  
*Pityophthorus balsameus* Blackman—a  
*Pityophthorus cariniceps* LeConte—a  
*Pityophthorus confusus* Blandford—a  
*Pityophthorus crinalis* Blackman  
*Pityophthorus dentifrons* Blackman—c  
*Pityophthorus lautus* Eichhoff  
*Pityophthorus liquidambarus* Blackman—a  
*Pityophthorus opaculus* LeConte—a  
*Pityophthorus puberulus* (LeConte)—a  
*Pityophthorus pulchellus* Eichhoff  
*Pityophthorus pulicarius* (Zimmermann)  
*Pityophthorus pullus* (Zimmermann)  
*Pseudopityophthorus asperulus* (LeConte)  
 —a  
*Pseudopityophthorus minutissimus* (Zimmermann)  
*Pseudopityophthorus pruinosus* (Eichhoff)  
*Pseudopityophthorus pubescens* Blackman

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