

NATURAL ENEMIES ASSOCIATED WITH SOME AGRICULTURAL PESTS IN MONTENEGRO

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ABSTRACT

Biological control is a proven and an essential component of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) where pest populations are controlled by using their natural enemies. Biological control in Montenegro is regulated by the Law on Plant Health Protection, specifically in Articles 49 and 50, but its application has not been established at the level of common and organized use yet. There is only "natural" influence of already existing natural enemies on certain agricultural pests. We consider that the first step in organization and implementation of any future strategy of biological control in Montenegro is to summarize all available and so far published information regarding existing natural enemies associated with agricultural pests. We searched the literature and listed around 50 beneficial species (predators, parasitoids, entomopathogenic fungi) mainly related with citrus and olive pests that are officially recorded for the period 1961–2023. Thanks to the previous work particularly of academician Mijušković and Dr. Velimirović together with some recent data, this can be considered as the first comprehensive list of natural enemies of arthropod pests in Montenegro, as well the basis for its comparison with the EPPO Positive List of biological control agents that can be used in agricultural production to control plant pests. In this context example of Slovenia can be cited where only the native natural enemies of plant pests that are on the EPPO Positive List of biological control agents can be used in agricultural production to control plant pests. Slovenian current list includes 38 species of beneficial insects, mites and entomopathogenic nematodes.

Key words: agricultural pests, first comprehensive list, natural enemies, Montenegro

1 INTRODUCTION

Biological control is one of several strategies used to control pests to avoid economic damage on crop plants, in husbandry, or on recreation areas. It is also used against nuisance pests (Eilenberg, 2006). One of definition for biological given by Eilenberg et al. (2001) is: "The use of living organisms to suppress the population density or

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impact of a specific pest organism, making it less abundant or less damaging than it would otherwise be". Generally it is a method of controlling pests that relies on predation, parasitism, herbivory and other natural mechanisms and is an important component of integrated pest management (IPM) programs (Hoy, 1994., cit. Chidawanyika et al., 2012).

Although biological control is relatively well known and not recent, it is still not widespread enough as a measure in plant protection. Chemical control against pests is still more prevalent in most countries. However, increasingly strict EU regulations related to pesticides and their application, more data on environmental pollution and resistance development of some harmful organisms to chemical pesticides, reduce the offer of chemical companies and possibilities for successful and economical protection of cultivated plants. That is why, especially in recent decades and years, preference is increasingly given to the application of biological protection measures. In the European Union (EU) integrated pest management (IPM) is legally obligatory as described in the Directive 2009/128/EC Annex III (European Parliament and Council 2009) and is widely regarded as the standard broad-based approach for safeguarding crops from harmful organisms while reducing or minimizing PPP-related risks to human health and the environment (Deguine et al., 2021; Maily et al. 2017., cit Galli et al., 2024).

Plant health protection and biological measures for plant protection in Montenegro are regulated by Law on Health Protection of Plants published in the "Official Gazette of the Montenegro", no. 28/2006 and "Official Gazette of Montenegro", no. 28/2011 and 48/2015 regulates. In Chapter VI of this Law entitled "Biological health protection of plants" biological control is regulated in Articles 49 and 50.

In Montenegro there is still no organized application of biological control measures against harmful organisms and pesticides still appeared to be the solution to most pest problems. There is only "natural" influence of already existing natural enemies through its spontaneous action on certain agricultural pests. On the other hand, from a scientific point of view and recognizing the role of natural enemies, identification of natural enemies of some agricultural pests as possible tools for biological control is the field on which some researchers have been working so far.

We consider that the first step in organization and implementation of any future strategy of biological control of agricultural arthropod pests in Montenegro is to summarize all published data and the aim of this paper is to present those data in form of comprehensive list.

2 MATERIAL AND METHODS

In order to create the first comprehensive list, systematic review of all available published data related to existing natural enemies of agricultural arthropod pests (insects, mites) that have been identified in agro ecosystems and on spontaneous flora in Montenegro was done. The information were obtained through detailed search of scientific and professional publications that are published in period from 1961 to 2023. This search included also results of some national projects that are realized in Montenegro which are related with this topic.

3 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

On the basis of published data it can be seen that academician Milorad Mijušković and Dr. Velizar Velimirović were the pioneers in the field of biological control and made the biggest contribution in work with natural enemies of some harmful insects and mites so far, especially in citrus and olives grooves. Overall existing data include contribution of some other researchers also.

Data regarding natural enemies whose presence was confirmed in Montenegro during in period from 1961 to 2023 are presented in Table.

Table 1. Order, family, species, host and literature source of natural enemies of arthropod pest in Montenegro (1961-2023).

Class	Ordo	Family	Species	Host	Literature source
INSECTA	Neuroptera	Coniopterygidae	<i>Conwentzia</i> sp.	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor Acari: Tetranychidae	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovenskom primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
	Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	<i>Chrysopa carnea</i> Steph.	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor Acari: Tetranychidae <i>Aphis spiraecola</i> Patch (Hemiptera, Sternorrhyncha, Aphididae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovenskom primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I. Radonjić, S. (2014): Štetočine iz reda Hemiptera

INSECTA	Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	<i>Chrysopa</i> sp.	<i>Saissetia oleae</i> Oliv. (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	(Aphididae, Aleyrodidae i Psyllidae) na citrusima i njihovi prirodni neprijatelji u Crnoj Gori i NR Kini. Završni izvještaj o radu na projektu bilateralne saradnje Crne Gore i NR Kine.
	Hemiptera: Heteroptera	Miridae	<i>Campylo-neura virgula</i> Herrich-Schaeffer	<i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1994): Natural enemies <i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana in costal part of Montenegro. Zaštita bilja. Plant protection. 45, 2, 139-150.
	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	<i>Stethorus gilvifrons</i> Mulsan	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovenskom primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.
INSECTA	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	<i>Exochomus quadripustulatus</i> L.	<i>Saissetia oleae</i> Oliv.	Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine maslina na

INSECTA				(Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	crnogorskom primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82.
	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	<i>Chilocorus bipustulatus</i> L.	<i>Saissetia oleae</i> Oliv. (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine maslina na crnogorskom primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82.
				<i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1994): Natural enemies <i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana in costal part of Montenegro. Zaštita bilja. Plant protection. 45, 2, 139-150.
	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	<i>Exochomus quadripustulatus</i> L.	<i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1994): Natural enemies <i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana in costal part of Montenegro. Zaštita bilja. Plant protection. 45, 2, 139-150.
	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	<i>Adalia decempunctata</i> L.	<i>Aphis spiraecola</i> Patch. (Hemiptera, Sternorrhyncha, Aphididae)	Radonjić, S. (2014): Štetočine iz reda Hemiptera (Aphididae, Aleyrodidae i Psyllidae) na citrusima i njihovi prirodni neprijatelji u Crnoj Gori i NR Kini. Završni izvještaj o radu na projektu

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					bilateralne saradnje Crne Gore i NR Kine.
	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	<i>Harmonia axyridis</i> Pallas	<i>Aphis spiraecola</i> Patch. (Hemiptera, Sternorrhyncha, Aphididae)	Radonjić, S. (2014): Štetočine iz reda Hemiptera (Aphididae, Aleyrodidae i Psyllidae) na citrusima i njihovi prirodni neprijatelji u Crnoj Gori i NR Kini. Završni izvještaj o radu na projektu bilateralne saradnje Crne Gore i NR Kine.
	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	<i>Coccinella septempunctata</i> L.	<i>Aphis spiraecola</i> Patch (Hemiptera, Sternorrhyncha, Aphididae)	Radonjić, S. (2014): Štetočine iz reda Hemiptera (Aphididae, Aleyrodidae i Psyllidae) na citrusima i njihovi prirodni neprijatelji u Crnoj Gori i NR Kini. Završni izvještaj o radu na projektu bilateralne saradnje Crne Gore i NR Kine.
	Hymenoptera	Encyrtidae	<i>Ooencyrtus pityocampae</i> Mercet	<i>Thaumtopoea pityocampa</i> Denis & Schiffermüller (Lepidoptera: Thaumtopoeidae)	Mijušković, M. (1961): Neki momenti iz biologije borovog četnika, s posebnim osvrtom na značaj najnog parazita <i>Ooencyrtus pityocampae</i> Mercet. Naša poljoprivreda i

				šumarstvo, 4, 31-40.
Hymenoptera	Aphelinidae	<i>Coccophagus lycimnia</i> Walker.	<i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1994): Natural enemies <i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana in costal part of Montenegro. Zaštita bilja. Plant protection. 45, 2, 139-150.
Hymenoptera	Encyrtidae	<i>Metaphycus flavus</i> Howard.	<i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1994): Natural enemies <i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana in costal part of Montenegro. Zaštita bilja. Plant protection. 45, 2, 139-150.
Hymenoptera	Encyrtidae	<i>Microterys flavus</i> Howard	<i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1994): Natural enemies <i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana in costal part of Montenegro. Zaštita bilja. Plant protection. 45, 2, 139-150.
Hymenoptera	Aphelinidae	<i>Coccophagus</i> spp.	<i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1994): Natural enemies <i>Coccus pseudomagnoliarum</i> Kuwana in costal part of Montenegro. Zaštita bilja. Plant protection. 45, 2, 139-150.
Hymenoptera	Eurytomidae	<i>Eurytoma martelli</i> Dom.	<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> (Rossi)	Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine

				(Diptera: Tephritidae)	maslina na crnogorskem primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82.
					Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine maslina na crnogorskem primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82.
	Hyme- noptera	Eupelmidae	<i>Eupelmus urozonus</i> Dalm.	<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> (Rossi) (Diptera: Tephritidae)	Hrnčić, S. (2012): Nove metode praćenja i modeli prognoze voćnih muva (<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> Gmel. i <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> Wied.) i mogućnosti njihovog suzbijanja biotehničkim i biološkim mjerama. Završni izvještaj.
	Hyme- noptera	Eulophidae	<i>Pnigalio mediterra- neus</i> Ferr. and Del.	<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> (Rossi) (Diptera: Tephritidae)	Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine maslina na crnogorskem primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82. Hrnčić, S. (2012): Nove metode praćenja i modeli prognoze voćnih muva

					(<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> Gmel. i <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> Wied.) i možnosti njihovog suzbijanja biotehničkim i biološkim mjerama.
Hymenoptera	Pteromalidae	<i>Cyrtomyx dacicida</i> Masi	<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> (Rossi) (Diptera: Tephritidae)	Hrnčić, S. (2012): Nove metode praćenja i modeli prognoze voćnih muva (<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> Gmel. i <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> Wied.) i možnosti njihovog suzbijanja biotehničkim i biološkim mjerama.	
Hymenoptera	Pteromalidae	<i>Scutellista cyanea</i> Motschulsky	<i>Saissetia oleae</i> Oliv. (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine maslina na crnogorskom primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82.	
Hymenoptera	Encyrtidae	<i>Metaphycus</i> sp. How.	<i>Saissetia oleae</i> Oliv. (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine maslina na crnogorskom primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82.	
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	<i>Lysiphlebus testaceipes</i> (Cresson)	<i>Toxoptera aurantii</i> (B.d. F.) (Hemiptera, Sternorrhyncha, Aphididae)	Tomanović, Ž., Radonjić, S. (2001): Appearance of introduced parasitic wasp <i>Lysiphlebus</i>	

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				<p><i>Aphis citricola</i> (v.d.G)= <i>Aphis spiraecola</i> Patch (Hemiptera, Sternorrhyn- cha, Aphididae)</p>	<p><i>testaceipes</i> (Cresson) (Aphidiinae, Braconidae, Hymenoptera) on the Adriatic Coast. Naučni skup, Prirodni potencijali kopna, kontinentalnih voda i mora Crne Gore i njihova zaštita. Žabljak, Zbornik rezimea: 96.</p> <p>Radonjić, S. (2014): Štetočine iz reda Hemiptera (Aphididae, Aleyrodidae i Psyllidae) na citrusima i njihovi prirodni neprijatelji u Crnoj Gori i NR Kini. Završni izvještaj o radu na projektu bilateralne saradnje Crne Gore i NR Kine.</p>
	Hyme- noptera	Eulophidae	<p><i>Aprostocetus</i> sp. (=<i>Tetrastichu</i> <i>s</i>)</p>	<p><i>Ceratitis</i> <i>capitata</i> Wiedem. (Diptera, Tephritidae) - larvae</p>	<p>Radonjić, S. (2008): Mediteranska voćna muva <i>Ceratitis</i> <i>capitata</i> Wiedem. (Diptera, Tephritidae) na području crnogorskog primorja i njen uticaj na biljnu proizvodnju. Doktorska disertacija. Univerzitet u Beogradu.</p>

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Hymenoptera	Braconidae	<i>Aphidius colemani</i> Viereck	<i>Myzus persicae</i> Sulz. (Hemiptera, Sternorrhyncha, Aphididae)	Hrnčič, S. (2008): Izveštaj o radu na programu „Invazivne vrsta insekata u plastenicima“, Ministarstvo poljoprivrede, šumarstva i vodoprivrede.
Hymenoptera	Dryinidae	<i>Neodryinus typhlocybae</i> Ashmead	<i>Metcalfa pruinosa</i> Say (Hemiptera: Flatidae)	Glavednekić, M., Ćirković-Ognjanović, M. i Mirić, M. (2010): Beneficial insects in integrated pest management on public green“. Proceedings of 57. Deutsche Pflanzenschutztagung: 365-366.
Diptera	Cecidomyiidae	<i>Prolasioptera berlesiana</i> Paoli	<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> (Rossi) (Diptera: Tephritidae)	Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine maslina na crnogorskom primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82.
				Hrnčič, S. (2012): Nove metode praćenja i modeli prognoze voćnih muva (<i>Bactrocera oleae</i> Gmel. i <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> Wied.) i mogućnosti njihovog suzbijanja biotehničkim i biološkim

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					mjerama. Završni izvještaj.
ACARI	Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Amblyseius aberrans</i> Oud. (= <i>Kampimod- romus aberrans</i> (Oudemans)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
	Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Amblyseius finlandicus</i> Oud. (= <i>Euseius finlandicus</i> (Oudemans)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
	Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Amblyseius concordis</i> Chant (= <i>Euseius concordis</i> (Chant)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
ACARI	Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Amblyseius vivax</i> Chant and Baker (= <i>Euseius vivax</i> Chant & Baker	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju.

					Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
Meso-stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Amblyseius umbraticus</i> Chant (=Neoseiulus umbraticus Chant)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)		Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovenskom primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
Meso-stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Amblyseius zwölferi</i> Dosse (=Neoseiulus zwölferi Dosse)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)		Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovenskom primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
Meso-stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Amblyseius</i> sp. (probab. <i>stipulatus</i>)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)		Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovenskom primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.

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	Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Typhlodro- mus pyri</i> Scheuten	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.
	Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Typhlodro- mus tiliarum</i> Oud. (= <i>Neoseiu- tella tiliarum</i> (Oud.))	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.
	Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Typhlodro- mus rhenanus</i> (Oud.)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.
	Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Typhlodro- mus bakeri</i> (Garman)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne

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				Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Phytoseius horridus</i> Ribaga	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Phytoseius finitimus</i> Ribaga	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Phytoseius macropilis</i> Banks	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga I.
Meso- stigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Neoseiulus yugoslavicus</i> <i>sp. N.</i>	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na

				<i>(Seiulus yugoslavi-cus)</i>	jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.
Prostig-mata	Stigmaeidae	<i>Zetzellia mali</i> Ewing	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)		Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.
Prostig-mata	Stigmaeidae	<i>Zetzellia</i> sp. (similar with <i>Z. languida</i>)	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)		Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.
Prostig-mata	Tydeidae	<i>Tydeus californicus</i> Banks	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)		Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovensko m primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.

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	Astigmata	Winterschmidtidae	<i>Czenspinksia</i> sp.	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Mijušković, M., Tomašević B. (1975): Pregljevi na agrumima na jugoslovenskom primorju. Društvo za nauku i umjetnost Crne Gore. Odjeljenje prirodnih nauka. Knjiga 1.
	Prostigmata	Tarsonemidae	<i>Tarsonemus</i> sp.	<i>Panonychus citri</i> McGregor (Acari: Tetranychidae)	
	Mesostigmata	Phytoseiidae	<i>Phytoseiulus persimilis</i> Evans	<i>Tetranychus urticae</i> Koch. (Acari: Tetranychidae)	Radonjić, S., Hrnčić, S. (2023): Mites of major importance on vegetables in greenhouses in southern part of Montenegro. IOBC/WPRS Bulletin, Vol. 167, 146-153.
ENTOMOPATHOGENIC FUNGUS	Hypocreales	Cordycipitaceae	<i>Verticillium lecanii</i> Zimm.	<i>Saissetia oleae</i> Oliv. (Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha: Coccidae)	Velimirović, V. (1992): Važnije štetočine maslina na crnogorskom primorju. Poljoprivreda i šumarstvo, XXXVIII, 1-2, 77-82.

As result of this search we listed 48 beneficial species (predators, parasitoids and entomopathogenic fungi) mainly related with citrus and olive pests. Among predatory insects the most common is Coleoptera (Coccinellidae) followed by Neuroptera (Chrysopidae), Hemiptera (Heteroptera: Miridae) and Diptera (Cecidomyiidae). Parasitoid wasps (Hymenoptera) are presented mostly with family Encyrtidae, followed by Aphelinidae, Braconidae, Eulophidae, Pteromalidae. The most abundant group of the predatory mites is family Phytoseiidae. Entomopathogenic fungus are presented with one species *Verticillium lecanii* Zimm.

4 CONCLUSIONS

All findings presented in this paper as the first comprehensive list of indigenous or ubiquitous natural enemies of certain pests that are registered in Montenegro so far, should be the basis for further studies regarding inventorying of beneficial species and first steps in application of biological control. This list can also serve as the basis for comparison with the EPPO Positive List of biological control agents that can be used in agricultural production to control plant pests.

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