

Crop Protection Compendium

Datasheet Type(s): Pest

Identity

Preferred Scientific Name

Grapholita funebrana Treitschke

Preferred Common Name

red plum maggot

Other Scientific Names

Carpocapsa funebrana (Treitschke)
Cydia funebrana (Treitschke, 1835)
Enarmonia funebrana (Treitschke)
Grapholitha funebrana (Treitschke)
Laspeyresia funebrana (Treitschke)
Opadia funebrana (Treitschke)
Tortrix funebrana (Treitschke)

International Common Names

English

plum fruit moth, prune moth

Spanish

gusano de las ciruelas, polilla de las ciruelas

French

carpocapse des prunes, carpocapse ver des prunes, ver des prunes

Portuguese

bichado das ameixas

Local Common Names

Denmark

blommevikler

Finland

kriikunakääriäinen

Germany

Pflaumenmade, Pflaumen-Wickler

Hungary

szilvamoly

Italy

cidia delle susine, tignola delle susine, verme delle susine

Netherlands

Pruimemot, Pruimenmade

Norway

plommevikler

Sweden

plommonvecklare

Turkey

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EPPO code

LASPFU (Cydia funebrana)

Taxonomic Tree

Domain: Eukaryota

Kingdom: Metazoa

Phylum: Arthropoda

Subphylum: Uniramia

Class: Insecta

Order: Lepidoptera

Family: Tortricidae

Genus: Grapholita

Species: Grapholita funebrana

Notes on Taxonomy and Nomenclature

C. funebrana was first described in 1835 by Treitschke as *Grapholita funebrana*, and has since been referred to under many generic names (Bovey, 1937). Records with other specific names seem to be due to misidentification. For example, Danilevsky (1958) states that *Cydia* (*Laspeyresia*) *cerasana* described by Kozhantshikov is *C. funebrana*.

Description

Bovey (1937) gives a detailed description of various stages of the life cycle.

Eggs

Eggs are flattened, slightly elliptical, about 0.6 x 0.7 mm, and with very fine surface sculpturing. They are laid singly; when freshly laid they are translucent and the upper surface is regularly convex. They soon yellow and differentiate, forming a central dome-shaped area, circled by a flat ring. After eclosion, the chorion remains on the surface on which it was laid, becoming a more visibly brilliant spot.

Larvae

Fully-grown larvae are 10-12 mm long, reddish dorsally, with a dark head, and clearly tapered at both ends. The prothoracic shield and the anal plate are light brown. An anal comb is present.

Pupae

Pupae are 6-6.5 mm long and light brown.

Adults

Adults have a wingspan of 10-15 mm. The forewings are dark grey-brown with a grey 'mirror' close to the termen, bearing four short dark longitudinal striae.

Distribution

C. funebrana is largely restricted to the Palearctic region. Only one unconfirmed record exists for Argentina (Miatello, 1913). In Himachal Pradesh, India, *C. funebrana* had been reported to occur on apricots, but Bhardwaj (1987) failed to catch *C. funebrana* in pheromone traps during a 2-year survey in this region. *C. funebrana* is the greatest single economic threat to fruit production in Central and Eastern Europe (Van der Geest and Evenhuis, 1991). The European distribution of *C. funebrana* is reviewed by Karsholt and Razowski (1996).

Distribution Table

Country	Distribution	Last Reported	Origin	First Reported	Invasive	References	Notes
Armenia	Present, no further details					Kasumyan & Mnatsakanyan, 1986; EPPO, 2009	
Azerbaijan	Present, no further details					Kostandyan, 1990; EPPO, 2009	
China	Restricted distribution					EPPO, 2009	
- Jilin	Present, no further details					Kang et al., 1989	
- Liaoning	Present, no further details					Woo, 1961; EPPO, 2009	
Georgia (Republic of)	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
Iran	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009; Zobebelein, 1996	

Japan	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
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Kazakhstan	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
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Kyrgyzstan	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
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Syria	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
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Tajikistan	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
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Turkey	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
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Turkmenistan	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009 ; Saparmamedova, 1988b	
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Uzbekistan	Present, no further details					Pospielov, 1914 ; EPPO, 2009 ; Radestky, 1913; Atanov & Gummel', 1991	
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AFRICA

Algeria	Restricted distribution					Balachowsky & Mesnil, 1935 ; EPPO, 2009	
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SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina	Unconfirmed record					Miatello, 1913	
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EUROPE

Albania	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
Austria	Widespread			****		Glaeser, 1979; Pindur, 1980; Böhm, 1948; EPPO, 2009	
Belgium	Present, no further details					Belmans, 1993; EPPO, 2009	
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Present, no further details					Batinica & Muratovic, 1972; Radman & Batinica, 1980; EPPO, 2009	
Bulgaria	Widespread			****		Vasev, 1985; Tchorbadzhiev, 1925; Tchorbadzhiev, 1929; EPPO, 2009	
Cyprus	Present, no further details					Morris, 1938; EPPO, 2009	
Czech Republic	Widespread					Komarek, 1987; Hrdy et al., 1989; Hrdy et al., 1994	
Czechoslovakia (former)	Widespread			****		Komarek, 1987; Hrdy et al., 1989; Molnar, 1988; Hrdy et al., 1994; EPPO, 2009	
Denmark	Present, no further details					Ferdinandson & Rostrup, 1920; EPPO, 2009	

Estonia	Present, no further details						
Finland	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
France	Restricted distribution					Touzeau, 1972; Touzeau, 1975; Carlot, 1993; EPPO, 2009	
-France (mainland)	Restricted distribution					EPPO, 2009	
Germany	Widesprea d			****		Anon, 1972; EPPO, 2009	
Greece	Present, no further details						
Hungary	Widesprea d			****		Papp, 1972; EPPO, 2009	
Ireland	Present, no further details						
Italy	Present, no further details					Molinari, 1995; Molinari et al., 1997; EPPO, 2009; Viggiani & Cancellara, 1975	
-Italy (mainland)	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
-Sicily	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
Latvia	Present, no further details						

Lithuania	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
Luxembourg	Present, no further details						
Netherlands	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
Norway	Restricted distribution					Schoyen, 1917; EPPO, 2009	
Poland	Present, no further details					Kagan & Lewartowski, 1978; Walczak et al., 1993; Kozlowski, 1994; EPPO, 2009	
Portugal	Present, no further details						
Romania	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
Russian Federation	Restricted distribution					EPPO, 2009	
-Russia (Europe)	Restricted distribution					EPPO, 2009	
-Russia (Europe)	Restricted distribution					EPPO, 2009	
-Russia (Europe)	Restricted distribution					EPPO, 2009	
-Russian Far East	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
-Siberia	Present, no further					Sundukova et al., 1988;	

	details					Glazunova, 1994; EPPO, 2009	
Slovakia	Widespread					Hrdy et al., 1994	
Spain	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
-Spain (mainland)	Present, no further details					EPPO, 2009	
Sweden	Widespread					EPPO, 2009	
Switzerland	Widespread					EPPO, 2009	
Ukraine	Present, no further details					Kudina & Misyurenko, 1987; EPPO, 2009	
United Kingdom	Widespread					EPPO, 2009	
-England	Widespread					EPPO, 2009	
-Scotland	Restricted distribution					EPPO, 2009	

Hosts/Species Affected

C. funebrana bores into the fruits of sloe (*Prunus spinosa*), and cultivated plums (*Prunus domestica* and *Prunus insititia*). Records of *C. funebrana* damaging cherry (*Prunus avium*; Kostrovsky, 1914), sour cherry (*Prunus cerasus*) and apricot (*Prunus armeniaca*; Bovey, 1937) are not uncommon; presence on peach (*Prunus persica*; Kostrovsky, 1914) is uncommon and only a few old records refer to *C. funebrana* damaging apple (*Malus domestica*; Radetsky, 1913; Pospelov, 1914). Bovey (1937) and Saringer and Deseö (1968) give reviews of the host plants of *C. funebrana*.

Host Plants and Other Plants Affected

Plant name	Context
Castanea sativa (chestnut)	Other
Malus domestica (apple)	Other
Prunus armeniaca (apricot)	Main
Prunus avium (sweet cherry)	Main
Prunus cerasus (sour cherry)	Main
Prunus domestica (plum)	Main
Prunus dulcis (almond)	Other
Prunus persica (peach)	Other
Prunus salicina (Japanese plum)	Other
Prunus spinosa (blackthorn)	Wild host

Growth Stages

Fruiting stage

Symptoms

Larvae bore into fruits after hatching. Entrance holes are barely visible. Feeding activity of the larvae in young fruits usually damages sap vessels near the peduncle, causing a colour change in the fruit from green to violet and fruit drop. Growing fruits may exude gum, and frass is often visible mixed with exudate from the entrance hole. In the latter part of the season, when fruits are fully-grown, infested ones can be easily detected as they ripen earlier.

List of Symptoms/Signs

Sign

Fruit

- gummosis
- premature drop
- internal feeding
- obvious exit hole

frass visible
discoloration

Biology and Ecology

Bovey (1937), refers to Kostrovsky (1914) as the first author to make a significant contribution to knowledge of the biology of *C. funebrana*. Bovey (1966) gives a complete account of work on the biology of *C. funebrana* that had been performed to date. The biology of the insect has been studied in a number of different countries: in Yugoslavia, Batinica (1970) and Stamenkovich et al. (1984) recorded two or three generations per year; in Italy, Molinari (1995) recorded three generations in Poland (Kozłowski, 1994), Switzerland (Staubli and Höhn, 1988), Hungary (Saringer and Deseö, 1972), the former Soviet Union (Popova, 1971), Czechoslovakia (Molnar, 1988), and in Belgium (Belmans, 1993), two generations per year have been recorded. In Northern Europe (including the UK) there is only one generation per year (Vernon, 1971).

In the areas where two or three generations per year occur, the species overwinters as mature larvae and pupation takes place during February or March. The first flight occurs from April to June and peaks in May. A second and, in warmer areas, a third flight period occurs later in the summer. The threshold for development is 10°C (Charmillot et al., 1979). The development time (in day-degrees C) averages 75 for eggs, 175 for larvae and 160 for pupae. Allowing 10 day-degrees for the pre-oviposition period, the complete life cycle takes 420 day-degrees. The first captures in sex-attractant traps in the field occur at 30 day-degrees, and the flight of the second generation begins at 450-500 day-degrees. Adults emerge in the morning; sexual activity begins about 2 h before sunrise and ends at sunrise. Eggs are laid mainly in the afternoon and evening.

Plant Trade

Plant parts liable to carry the pest in trade/transport	Pest stages	Borne internally	Borne externally	Visibility of pest or symptoms
Fruits (inc. pods)	larvae	Yes	No	Pest or symptoms usually visible to the naked eye

Plant parts not known to carry the pest in trade/transport

Bark

Bulbs, Tubers, Corms, Rhizomes

Flowers, Inflorescences, Cones, Calyx

Growing medium accompanying plants

Leaves

Roots

Seedlings, Micropropagated plants

Stems (above ground), Shoots, Trunks, Branches

True seeds (inc. grain)

Wood

Notes on Natural Enemies

Muesebeck (1932) collected *Macrocentrus instabilis* from larvae of *C. funebrana* in Washington DC, USA. Bovey (1937) gives a detailed account of parasitoids and hyperparasitoid found in connection with *C. funebrana* in Switzerland. *Ephialtes* sp. and *Ascogaster quadridentata* were the most effective parasitoids of *C. funebrana* (10-20% parasitized larvae). Saparmamedova (1988a,b) found that 45-55% of the mortality of *C. funebrana* larvae in Turkmenistan is caused by its parasitoid complex, of which *Ascogaster quadridentata* made up ca 80% in terms of numbers. Batinica and Muratovich (1972) found that more than 30% of *C. funebrana* larvae in Yugoslavia are parasitized by *Ascogaster quadridentata*.

Natural enemies

Natural Enemy	Type	Life Stage	Specificity	Reference	Biological Control in	Biological control on
Angitia exareolata	Parasite	Larvae				
Ascogaster quadridentatus	Parasite	Larvae				
Bacillus thuringiensis galleriae	Pathogen	Larvae				

Bacillus thuringiensis subsp. dendrolimus	Pathogen	Larvae	
Bacillus thuringiensis thuringiensis	Pathogen	Larvae	
Beauveria bassiana	Pathogen		
Brachymeria rugulosa	Parasite		Turkmenistan plums
Bracon hebetor	Parasite	Larvae	
Dibrachys cavus	Parasite		Turkmenistan plums
Ephialtes	Parasite	Larvae	
Eurytoma verticillata	Parasite		
Hockeria micula	Parasite		
Iconella laspeyresiella	Parasite	Larvae	
Lissonota artemisiae	Parasite	Larvae	
Mesostenus transfuga	Parasite		
Pimpla spuria	Parasite		Turkmenistan plums
Pseudopericheta nigrolineata	Parasite		
Trichogramma cacoeciae	Parasite	Eggs	Germany
Trichogramma dendrolimi	Parasite		
Trichogramma evanescens	Parasite	Eggs	
Trichogramma telengai	Parasite	Eggs	

[Trichogramma](#) Parasite Eggs
[turkeiensis](#)

[Venturia](#) Parasite
[canescens](#)

Impact

Damage caused by *C. funebrana* is easily quantified as only the fruits are affected. Where two or three generations occur in a region, the first one usually causes little damage. In Central and Eastern Europe, this pest may damage over 50% of fruit. Early-ripening varieties are less damaged. Fruits of some late varieties, such as Angeleno, can be seriously damaged (Molinari, 1995). Batinica and Muratovich (1972) recorded 37.96% damage on mid-ripening varieties, as compared with 43.78 and 51.45% on two later-ripening varieties. Ghizdavu (1982) recorded up to 38% damage in untreated plots in Romania.

Detection and Inspection

At least 10 compounds have been found in the natural pheromone of *C. funebrana*, but the principal components are reported by Arn et al. (1976) to be Z8-12Ac and E8-12Ac, present in the ratio 100:4.

Pheromone traps are widely used for monitoring *C. funebrana* (Charmillot & Blaser, 1982), and although the synthetic pheromone blend that is used is quite similar to that used for *C. molesta*, useful information may be obtained on the flight pattern of the insect (Touzeau, 1979; 1980; Belmans, 1993; Cravedi and Molinari, 1993). Sundukova et al. (1988) suggest a threshold for control based on trap catches. Egg sampling is feasible during flight periods.

Similarities to Other Species/Conditions

C. funebrana can be mistaken for *Cydia molesta* at the larval and adult stages. Balachowsky and Mesnil (1935), Bovey (1937), Baker (1963) and Bollow and Otte (1963) studied the morphological characteristics of the larvae. Bovey (1966) gives a comparison table for fully-grown larvae: *C. molesta* is pale-pink with light brown head and is slender and cylindrical, only slightly tapered at the tips. Fresh specimens of *C. funebrana* are silver coloured on the ventral side of the abdomen and the legs. Analysis of genitalia is often required to confirm identification (Van der Geest and

Evenhuis, 1991).

Prevention and Control

Introduction

Van der Geest and Evenhuis (1991), and Charmillot (1991) reviewed natural and chemical control of the Tortricidae.

Chemical Control

The type of control measure employed should depend on the number of generations of *C. funebrana* which are present in a season.

Organophosphorus insecticides and insect growth-regulators are widely used against *C. funebrana*.

Biological Control

Telenga (1939) and Meier (1941) had some success releasing *Trichogramma evanescens* against *C. funebrana*. Wiackowski and Kot (1962), Wiackowski et al. (1963) and Wiackowski and Wiackowska (1966) estimated that a reduction of fruit damage by up to 91% was possible after releases of *T. cacaeciae*, where perfect timing of *Trichogramma* release was achieved. Lipa (1975), Seskevicius (1977) and Hassan (1993) confirmed the efficacy of *Trichogramma* spp (see also G'onev, 1975).

Insect pathogens

Wiackowski and Wiackowska (1966) used a preparation of *Beauveria bassiana* against *C. funebrana*. Sogoyan (1967) achieved satisfactory levels of control using *Bacillus thuringiensis galleriae*, and *Beauveria bassiana* and insecticide. Fedorinchik and Sogoyan (1975) found that *C. funebrana* had only five species of microorganisms in its gut and the pH value was 6.3; it was more resistant to *Bacillus thuringiensis* than *Cydia pomonella* and *Cydia molesta*; these authors found *Beauveria bassiana* was completely ineffective against *C. funebrana* (see also Sogoyan, 1967).

Mating disruption

Arn et al. (1976), Mani et al. (1978), Charmillot et al. (1982), and Ghizdavu (1982) used pheromones to disrupt the mating of *C. funebrana*, with widely differing results (Audemard, 1992).

Mass-trapping

Arn et al. (1976) failed to protect crops in Switzerland using mass trapping of adults, whilst Ghizdavu (1982) had satisfactory results.

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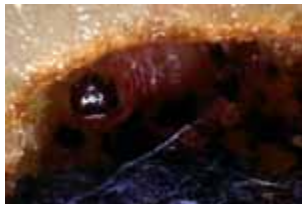
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Adult males

Adult males on a
pheromone trap.

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