

PRELIMINARY COMPARISON OF OVIPOSITIONAL HABITS IN  
CEUTORHYNCHUS SPP. DEVELOPING IN OIL SEED RAPE PLANTS

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Comparison of selected characteristics connected with ovipositional behaviours of Ceutorhynchus spp./Co.Curculionidae/ is presented. Features are arranged in relation to taxonomical status, plant organ specialization, egg arrangement and post-oviposition behaviours. It is suggested that the complexity of ovipositional behaviour is related to the specificity in the parasitization of defined plant organs. An evolutionary pathway from deposition of grouped eggs /C.sulcicolis, C.quadridens/ through single eggs depositions but in uneven congregations /C.napi/ to single eggs distribution among siliques /C.assimilis, C.floralis/ is proposed. Only species ovipositioning into siliques perform post-oviposition activities connected with oviposition deterring pheromone propagation on host-organ surface.