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NOTES ON THE OCCURRENCE  
OF THE GENUS *PLATYPALPUS* MACQUART, 1827  
(DIPTERA : EMPIDIDAE) IN BELGIUM

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The genus *Platypalpus* represents a group of common but rather inconspicuous small predaceous flies (2-5 mm length). They are usually found sitting or running on ground-vegetation or on leaves of bushes and trees. They are easily distinguished from other Diptera by their thickened raptorial mid-legs in which they hold their prey which consists of small insects, usually Diptera.

*Platypalpus* is cosmopolitan in distribution and actually more than 200 species are known from Europe. In the past, identification was very difficult and remained dubious but is now eased a lot on one hand by the works of J. COLLIN (1926, 1961) covering the fauna of Great-Britain and who re-examined also most type material and on the other hand by the works of M. CHVÁLA (1971, 1973, 1974, 1975a, 1975b), especially his recent monograph on the fauna of Fennoscandia and Denmark (1975). However, the Central European elements of the Belgian fauna remain difficult to identify since the descriptions are not present in the reviews of J. COLLIN (1961) and M. CHVÁLA (1975).

Actually the occurrence and diversity of *Platypalpus* is poorly known in Belgium. F. MEUNIER (1898) was the first author who reported two species from Brussels. In 1905 J. JACOBS published a list of 16 species from several localities all over Belgium. Further records were made by A. LAMEERE (1907), R. LERUTH (1939), M. GOETGHEBUER (1931, 1943), P. MARÉCHAL (1932), P. MARÉCHAL and F. DARIMONT (1936) and M. LECLERCQ (1945).

The present paper is limited to an enumeration of the species and their occurrence in Belgium. Although 58 species are found, of which 31 are new for our fauna, the paper must still be considered as a preliminary report since still more species are expected and thorougher sampling of the different geographical regions is needed to establish representative distribution patterns of the species.

#### MATERIAL AND METHODS

Almost all material mentioned in the species list is present in the collection of the I. R. S. N. B. These are the collections of J. JACOBS (1890-1910), A. TONNOIR (1916-1917), M. GOETGHEBUER (1912-1944), R. TOLLET (1940-1950) and M. BEQUAERT (1936-1963). Especially the collection of the late Dr. M. BEQUAERT contained several new species for our fauna. In addition A. MICHELS kindly loaned his material for study. All specimens of these collections were reidentified using the revisions of J. COLLIN (1961) and M. CHVÁLA (1975). The material collected in 1980 by P. DESSART at Ottignies with a Malaise-trap (see C. FASSOTTE and P. GROOTAERT, 1981) and by myself are preserved in alcohol while the other specimens are mounted dry. In the list of the localities the names of M. BEQUAERT and M. GOETGHEBUER are respectively abbreviated as B and G.

#### OBSERVATIONS

##### *Platypalpus agilis* (MEIGEN, 1822)

*Tachydromia agilis* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Platypalpus dubius* WALKER, 1851.

*Tachydromia agilis* var. *Hybrida* FREY, 1907.

*Corynetia maculipes-nigrosetosa* STROBL.

Brabant : Brussel, spring 1961, 1 ♂ (A. TONNOIR).

Hainaut : Onoz-Spy, 14-V-1942, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (R. TOLLET).

Liège : Baraque Fraiture, 1-VI-1955, 7 ♀ (A. COLLART).

Luxembourg : Buzenol, 16-V-1937, 1 ♂ (B).

Namur : Senzeilles, 12-V-1950, 1 ♂ (R. TOLLET).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Destelbergen, 19-V-1936, 2 ♀ ; 16-V-1943, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ ; 22-V-1947, 6 ♀ ; 17-V-1958, 1 ♀ (B); Melle, 2-VI-1941, 1 ♂ (B); Destelbergen, 16-V-1920, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ ; 22-V-1921, 6 ♀, 3 ♂ (G); Heusden, 24-V-1921, 4 ♀ ; 23-V-1929, 2 ♂ ; 4-V-1944, 1 ♂ (G); Gent, 4-V-1929, 1 ♀ (G).

West-Vlaanderen : St. Jans-in-Eremo, 17-V-1958, 1 ♂ (B); Leisele, 22-V-1934, 2 ♀ (G).

A spring species, very common all over Europe.

Platypalpus albicornis (ZETTERSTEDT, 1842)

*Tachydromia albicornis* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.

Oost-Vlaanderen : Doel, 23-VI-1958, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : Blankenberge, 10-VII-1957, 1 ♂, 16-VI-1958, 1 ♂ (B); Knokke, 15-VII-1947, 1 ♀ (B); Zeebrugge, 3-VII-1955, 1 ♀ (B).

In Belgium apparently only present near the coast (Doel is at the estuary of the river Schelde).

Platypalpus albifacies (COLLIN, 1926)

Oost-Vlaanderen : Melle, 10-VI-1938, 1 ♂ (coll. M. BEQUAERT under *T. minuta* MEIGEN).

According to CHVÁLA (1975) this species is common in Central Europe.

Platypalpus albisetata (PANZER, 1806)

*Tachydromia albisetata* PANZER, 1806.

*Tachydromia castanipes* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia vivida* MEIGEN, 1838.

*Tachydromia fuscimana* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.

Brabant : Grasdelle, 20-VI-1917, 1 ♀ (A. TONNOIR).

Luxembourg : Torgny, 16-VII-1951, 1 ♀ (B).

Namur : Falaen, 24-VII-1947, 1 ♀ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : De Panne, 8-VIII-1928, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (G); Knokke, 2-VII-1947, 1 ♂ (B); Knokke, 20-VII-1947, 1 ♀ (B).

Platypalpus albocapillatus (FALLÉN, 1815)

*Tachydromia albo-capillata* FALLÉN, 1815.

West-Vlaanderen : Knokke, 18-VI-1947, 1 ♂; 10-VIII-1947, 1 ♂ (B).

Known as a mainly coastal species.

Platypalpus analis (MEIGEN, 1830)

*Tachydromia analis* MEIGEN, 1830.

*Tachydromia varia* WALKER; LUNDBECK, 1910.

Brabant : Genval, 6-VII-1917, 1 ♀ (A. TONNOIR under *T. varia*).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Merelbeke, 9-VII-1944, 1 ♀ (B); Oostakker, 5-VII-1945, 1 ♀ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : Nukerke, 8-VII-1944, 3 ♀ (G under *T. varia*); St. Jans-in-Eremo, 5-VII-1956, 1 ♂ (B)

As can be seen there are yet no records from high Belgium.

### *Platypalpus annulatus* (FALLÉN, 1815)

*Tachydromia annulata* FALLÉN, 1815.

*Tachydromia fascipes* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia fulvipes* MEIGEN, 1822.

Antwerpen : Lichtaart, 8-VIII-1978, 1 ♀ (A. MICHIELS).

Brabant : Erps-Kwerps, 27-VI-1976, 1 ♀ (A. MICHIELS).

Luxembourg : Torgny, 2-VII-1924, 1 ♀.

Oost-Vlaanderen : Destelbergen, 9-VII-1940, 1 ♀; 10-V-1942, 1 ♀; 12-V-1943, 1 ♀; 22-V-1947, 1 ♀, 3 ♂ (B); 16-VI-1924, 2 ♂ (G), 24-VII-1931, 1 ♀ (G under *T. fulvipes* MEIGEN); Heusden, 18-V-1931, 1 ♂; 21-V-1936, 1 ♀, 3 ♂ (B); Gent, 2-VII-1911, 1 ♀ (G under *T. fulvipes*).

West-Vlaanderen : Knokke, 18-IX-1920, 1 ♂ (G under *T. fulvipes*).

### *Platypalpus annulipes* (MEIGEN, 1822)

*Tachydromia annulipes* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia infuscata* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia coxata* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.

Brabant : Genval, 3-VII-1917, 1 ♂ (A. TONNOIR).

Luxembourg : Torgny, 2-VII-1980, 3 ♀, 2 ♂; Ethe, 1/3-VII-1980, 1 ♀.

### *Platypalpus aristatus* (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia aristata* COLLIN, 1926.

Hainaut : Ellezelles, 14-V-1961, 1 ♀ (B).

Liège : Moha, 14-VII-1980, 1 ♀ (R. DETRY).

Namur : Pétigny, 25-V-1980, 1 ♂.

Until now this species was only known from Great-Britain.

Platypalpus articulatus MACQUART, 1827

*Tachydromia maculimana* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.

Brabant : Genval, 6-VII-1917, 1 ♂ (A. TONNOIR); Ottignies, 15/18-VIII-1980, 1 ♀; Jette, 1-VIII-1978, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Heusden, 9-VI-1933, 2 ♂ (G).

Platypalpus articulatoides (FREY, 1918)

*Tachydromia articulatoides* FREY, 1918.

Oost-Vlaanderen : Destelbergen, 22-VII-1940, 1 ♀; 2-VIII-1940, 1 ♀; 1-VIII-1960, 1 ♀ (B); Gent, 12-VII-1955, 1 ♂ (B); Heusden, 21-VI-1944, 1 ♂ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : Westcapelle, 3-VI-1939, 1 ♂ (G under *Tachydromia calceata*).

Rare all over Europe and not yet reported from Great-Britain.

Platypalpus aurantiacus (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia aurantiaca* COLLIN, 1926.

Luxembourg : Buzenol, 16-V-1939, 2 ♀ (B).

Until now this species was also only known from Great-Britain. The male genitalia have been described by SMITH & CHVÁLA (1976).

Platypalpus ? boreoalpinus FREY, 1943

Antwerpen : Puurs, VI-1879, 1 ♀ (J. JACOBS).

It is difficult to decide whether this damaged female (legs lost) is an *alpinus* CHVÁLA or a *boreoalpinus* FREY.

Platypalpus calcaratus (COLLIN, 1926)

Luxembourg : Wellin, 9/11-VII-1935, 1 ♀ (G as *T. thoracica*).

Due to a morphological difference the name *P. calcaratus* (COLLIN) is retained here although CHVÁLA (1975) synonymized it with *P. pseudociliaris* (STROBL). The female fits very well to the description given by

COLLIN (1961) : short yellowish antennae, polished frons, very thickened middle femora with typical arrangement of the spines (COLLIN, 1961 : Fig. 51) but the sternopleuron, hypopleuron and pteropleuron are polished so that only proto and mesopleuron are dusted. Further study is required.

### *Platypalpus calceatus* (MEIGEN, 1822)

*Tachydromia calceata* MEIGEN, 1822.

Brabant : Ottignies, 18-VIII-1980, 1 ♂; 23/28-VIII, 1 ♀; 6/12-IX-1980, 1 ♀; 20/27-IX-1980, 1 ♀; Genval, 6-VIII-1917, 4 ♀ (A. TONNOIR).

Luxembourg : Daverdisse, 21-VIII-1976, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (A. MICHELS); Torgny, 2-VII-1980, 2 ♀.

Oost-Vlaanderen : Destelbergen, VII-1942, 1 ♀ (B); 3-VI-1945, 1 ♂ (B); Melle, 13-VII-1938, 1 ♀; Heusden, 23-VI-1946, 1 ♂ (B).

### *Platypalus candidans* (FALLÉN, 1815)

*Tachydromia candidans* FALLÉN, 1815.

*Tachydromia ventralis* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Platypalpus varius* WALKER, 1851.

*Tachydromia oedicnema* STROBL, 1898.

*Tachydromia candidans* var. *flaviventris* STROBL, 1898.

Brabant : Brussel, spring 1916, 1 ♀; Watermaal, 13-V-1947 (A. TONNOIR); Sterrebeek, VII-1898, 1 ♀ (J. JACOBS); Mousty-Céroux, 30-VIII-1891, 2 ♀ (J. JACOBS under *T. major* ZETT.); Ganshoren, 11-V-1944, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS).

Luxembourg : Steinbach, VIII-1902, 1 ♀ (A. GUILLIAUME); St-Hubert, 12-VIII-1925, 3 ♀ (G).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Destelbergen, 22-V-1921, 3 ♀ (G); 22-VII-1940, 1 ♀; 12-V-1943, 1 ♀; 3-VI-1945, 1 ♀; 4-VIII-1961, 1 ♀; 31-V-1945, 1 ♀ (B); (Patijntje), 16-VI-1965, 1 ♀; Gent, 21-VII-1958, 1 ♀ (B); Overmere, 5-VIII-1939, 1 ♀; 5-VII-1939, 1 ♀ (B); Gent 2-VII-1911, 1 ♀ (G); Heusden, 14-V-1912, 1 ♀; 24-V-1921, 6 ♀; 18-VI-1931, 1 ♀ (G); Drongen, 17-VI-1920, 1 ♀ (G).

### *Platypalpus ciliaris* (FALLÉN, 1816)

*Tachydromia ciliaris* FALLÉN, 1815.

*Platypalpus compungens* WALKER, 1851.

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Brabant : Forêt de Soignes, 8-VII-1917 (A. TONNOIR); Ottignies, 25-X-1980, 1 ♀.  
 Hainaut : Ellezelles, 1-VII-1956, 1 ♀, 2 ♂ (B).  
 Liège : Hockai, 14-VII-1919, 1 ♀ (B); Modave, 7-VIII-1919, 1 ♂ (G).  
 Luxembourg : La Roche, 22-VI-1961, 1 ♂ (B); Herbeumont, 26-VI-1952, 1 ♂ (B); Ethe, 4-IX-1980, 1 ♀.  
 Oost-Vlaanderen : Deurle, 16-VI-1955, 2 ♂ (B); Melle, 13/16-VI-1947, 2 ♂ (B).

### *Platypalpus clarandus* (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia claranda* COLLIN, 1926.

Antwerpen : Heide, 8-VII-1924, 1 ♀ (G).  
 Brabant : Ganshoren, 12-VII-1978, 1 ♂ (A. MICHELS).  
 Oost-Vlaanderen : Melle, 3-VI-1920, 1 ♀ (G).

### *Platypalpus coarctatus* (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia coarctata* COLLIN, 1926.

*Tachydromia flavipes* var. *pseudofulvipes* FREY, 1909 (partim).

Brabant : Ganshoren, 26-VII-1975, 1 ♂; 11-V-1944, 1 ♂; Groenendaal, 12-VII-1975, 1 ♀; Erps-Kwerps, 6-VII-1975, 1 ♂; 27-VI-1976, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS); Groenendaal, 31-V-1917, 1 ♂ (A. TONNOIR under *T. flavipes* MEIGEN); Wemmel, 4-VI-1917, 2 ♀, 2 ♂ (A. TONNOIR *T. flavipes* MEIGEN).

### *Platypalpus cothurnatus* MACQUART, 1827

*Tachydromia socculata* ZETTERSTEDT, 1838.

Namur : Furfooz, 22-V-1955, 1 ♀ (B).

According to CHVÁLA, *P. cothurnatus* is widespread in Europe but never common.

### *Platypalpus cryptospina* (FREY, 1909)

*Tachydromia cryptospina* FREY, 1909.

*Tachydromia tantula* COLLIN, 1926.

Luxembourg : Ethe (Vallée du Rabais), 30-VI-1980, 1 ♀, 1 ♂.

**Platypalpus cursitans (FABRICIUS, 1775)**

*Musca cursitans* FABRICIUS, 1775.

*Tachydromia bicolor* MEIGEN, 1804.

*Tachydromia cursitans* var. *denominata* FREY, 1907.

Antwerpen : Kalmthout, IX-1879, 1 ♀; 1-VI-1884, 1 ♀ (J. JACOBS).

Brabant : Brussel, spring 1916, 1 ♀ (A. TONNOIR); Ottignies, 15/18-VIII-1980, 2 ♀; 6/12-IX-1980, 1 ♀; 20/27-IX-1980, 1 ♀.

Liège : Fléron, 22-V-1894, 1 ♀ (L. COUCKE).

Luxembourg : St-Hubert; 6-VIII-1925, 1 ♂ (G under *T. candicans*); La Roche, 10-IV(?)-1883 (J. JACOBS).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Destelbergen, 22-V-1947, 1 ♀; 31-V-1947, 1 ♀ (B).

**Platypalpus divisus WALKER, 1851**

Luxembourg : Ethe (Vallée du Rabais), 30-VI-1980, 1 ♂.

Previously only known from Great-Britain.

**Platypalpus excisus (BECKER, 1907)**

*Tachydromia excisa* BECKER, 1907 (nec BECKER, 1908).

West-Vlaanderen : Knokke (Zwin), 27-V-1951, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B under *T. nigritarsis* FALLÉN).

The male is easily recognisable with its curved posterior tibia together with the ventral excision in the middle. The female is difficult to distinguish from *P. nigritarsis* females.

**Platypalpus exilis (MEIGEN, 1822)**

*Tachydromia exilis* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Platypalpus flavipennis* WALKER, 1851.

*Tachydromia exilis* var. *nigroterminata* STROBL, 1910.

Brabant : Jette (Laarbeekbos), 25-V-1977, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS).

Liège : Hockai, no date, 2 ♀ (J. JACOBS).

Luxembourg : Croix-Rouge, 18-VII-1951, 1 ♂ (B); Durbuy, 16-VI-1962, 2 ♀ (B); Torgny, 3-VII-1980, 2 ♀.

Platypalpus flavicornis (MEIGEN, 1822)

*Tachydromia flavicornis* MEIGEN, 1822.

Brabant : Ottignies, 18-VIII-1980, 1 ♀.

Liège : Hockai, 16-IX-1932, 1 ♂ (G).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Gent, 12-VII-1955, 1 ♂ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : Oostkerke, 4-VI-1935, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (G); Westende; 23-VII-1980, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS).

Platypalpus interstinctus (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia flavipes* var. *pseudofulvipes* FREY, 1909.

*Tachydromia interstincta* COLLIN, 1926.

Brabant : Ottignies, frequent 15-VIII till 4-X-1980; Genval, 15-VII-1917, 2 ♂; St-Job, 16-VI-1917, 1 ♂ (A. TONNOIR under *T. flavipes* FABRICIUS).

Platypalpus laticinctus WALKER, 1851

*Tachydromia cursitans* FABRICIUS; LUNDBECK, 1910.

*Tachydromia candicans* FALLÉN; LUNDBECK, 1910.

Antwerpen : Kapelle, VI-1875, 1 ♀; VI-1878, 1 ♂ (J. JACOBS).

Liège : Clavier, 18-V-1942, 1 ♀ (R. TOLLET).

Luxembourg : Buzenol, 16-V-1937, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B); Ethe (Vallée du Rabais), 30-VI-1980, 3 ♀.

Namur : Rochefort, 24-VI-1955, 1 ♀ (B).

Platypalpus leucocephalus (VON ROSER, 1840)

*Tachydromia leucocephala* VON ROSER, 1840.

Luxembourg : Torgny, 2-VII-1980, 1 ♀.

Oost-Vlaanderen : Gent, 16-VI-1963, 1 ♂ (B).

Platypalpus leucothrix (STROBL, 1910)

Luxembourg : Torgny, 13-VII-1948, 1 ♀ (B); 16-V-1951, 1 ♀ (B); Virton, 17-VII-1949, 1 ♀ (B).

Namur : Falaën, 2-VIII-1943, 1 ♂ (B).

### *Platypalpus longicornis* (MEIGEN, 1822)

*Tachydromia longicornis* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia pubicornis* ZETTERSTEDT, 1838.

Antwerpen : Puurs, VIII-1878, 2 ♀ (J. JACOBS).

Brabant : Ganshoren, 21-V-1976, 1 ♀; 12-V-1980, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS);  
Ottignies, very frequent 23-VIII till 25-X-1980.

Hainaut : Louise-Marie, 14-V-1947, 1 ♂ (B).

Liège : Lorzée, 24-VIII-1958, 1 ♀ (B); Hockai, 18-VI-1932, 1 ♀ (B).

Limburg : As, 20-V-1980, 1 ♀.

Oost-Vlaanderen : Heusden, 16-V-1929, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (G), 4-V-1944, 1 ♀ (G); 24-V-1921, 1 ♂ (G); Destelbergen, 17-V-1944, 4 ♀, 2 ♂; 11-IX-1946, 1 ♂; 15-X-1947, 1 ♀, 1 ♂; 10-VIII-1958, 1 ♂; 26-V-1936, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B); Gent, 4-V-1911, 1 ♂; 3-V-1912, 1 ♂; 9-V-1912, 1 ♂ (G); 16-VI-1955, 1 ♂; 3-V-1965, 1 ♂ (B); Laarne, 14-VIII-1961, 1 ♀ (B); Aalter, 26-VIII-1961, 1 ♀ (B); Melle, 7-IX-1947, 1 ♀, 1 ♀ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : Knokke, IX-1921, 2 ♂ (G); Leisele, 22-V-1932, 1 ♀ (G); De Panne, 1/18-IX-1932, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (G); Zeebrugge, 21-V-1936, 1 ♀ (B); Brugge (Maele), 14-IX-1958, 1 ♂ (B).

### *Platypalpus longiseta* (ZETTERSTEDT, 1842)

*Tachydromia longiseta* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.

*Tachydromia extricata* COLLIN, 1926.

Brabant : Jette, 29-VII-1978, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS); Ottignies, 18-VII-1980, 1 ♀.

Luxembourg : Torgny, 2-VII-1980, 1 ♀, 1 ♂.

Oost-Vlaanderen : St. Jans-in-Eremo, 6-VIII-1961, 1 ♀ (B); Gent, 3-VIII-1961, 1 ♂ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : Westkapelle, 29-V-1939, 1 ♂ (G as *T. pallidiventris* MEIGEN).

### *Platypalpus luteolus* (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia luteola* COLLIN, 1926.

Luxembourg : Torgny, 2-VII-1980, 5 ♀, 1 ♂; Ethe (Buzenol), 1-VII-1980, 1 ♂.

Namur : Falmignoul (Rav. du Colibri), 9-VII-1943, 1 ♀ (A. COLLART).

Previously only known from Great-Britain.

**Platypalpus luteus (MEIGEN, 1804)**

*Tachydromia lutea* MEIGEN, 1804.  
*Tachydromia glabra* MEIGEN, 1822.  
*Tachydromia pallida* MEIGEN, 1822.  
*Platypalpus formalis* WALKER, 1851.

Brabant : La Cambre, 12-VII-1898, 1 ♀ (A. TONNOIR); Genval, 26-VI-1917, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (R. TOLLET).  
 Hainaut : Ellezelles, 8-VIII-1959, 4 ♀, 1 ♂ (B).  
 Liège : Nonceveux, 6-VII-1947, 1 ♀ (B); Ouzo-Moûpas, 23-VI-1950, 1 ♀; 1 ♂ (R. TOLLET).  
 Luxembourg : Mirwart, 14-VI-1946, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B); La Roche, 22-VI-1961, 1 ♀ (B).  
 Oost-Vlaanderen : Munte; 27-VI-1927, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (G); 25-VI-1931, 2 ♂ (G); Aalter, 19-VII-1958, 1 ♀ (B); Destelbergen, VII-1942, 1 ♀ (B); Melle, 10-VII-1921, 1 ♀ (G); 20-VI-1943, 1 ♂; 2-VII-1944, 1 ♀ (B); Heusden, 11-VI-1944, 1 ♀ (B).

**Platypalpus maculipes (MEIGEN, 1822)**

*Tachydromia maculipes* MEIGEN, 1822.

Antwerpen : Lichtaart, 8-VIII-1978, 1 ♂ (A. MICHIELS).  
 Brabant : Audergem, 19-IX-1917, 1 ♀ (A. TONNOIR); Ottignies very frequent from 23-VIII-1980 till 23-XI-1980 peaks 4/11-X-1980, 13 ♀, 1 ♂, 17/25-X-1980, 20 ♀; 25-X/1-XI-1980, 21 ♀, 1 ♂.  
 Luxembourg : Ethe, 2-IX-1980, 1 ♀, 1 ♂.  
 Oost-Vlaanderen : Destelbergen, 26-VIII-1940, 1 ♀, 2 ♂ (B); 3-IX-1941, 1 ♂; 6-X-1943, 1 ♀; 12-IX-1947, 1 ♀, 1 ♂; 12-X-1947, 1 ♀, 1 ♂; 12-X-1947, 1 ♀ (B under *T. cothurnata*); Heusden, 18-IX-1940, 1 ♀, 1 ♂; 16-X-1940, 1 ♀; 16-X-1949, 1 ♀ (B); Munte, IX-1941, 1 ♀ (B); Oostakker, 2-IX-1949, 1 ♀; 28-X-1945, 1 ♀ (B); Overmere, 27-VIII-1936, 1 ♂ (B); Afsnee, 6-IX-1939, 2 ♀, 2 ♂ (B); Deurle, 14-IX-1940, 2 ♂ (B).  
 West-Vlaanderen : Maele (Brugge), 14-IX-1948, 1 ♂ (B).

**Platypalpus major (ZETTERSTEDT, 1842)**

*Tachydromia major* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.  
*Tachydromia major* var. *minor* STROBL, 1899.

Liège : Sy, 24-VI-1933, 1 ♀ (G); Hockai, 6-VII-1923, 1 ♀ (G); Pepinster, 13-VII-1949, 3 ♀ (R. TOLLET).

Luxembourg : Ozo (Izier), 26-V-1970, 1 ♀ (R. DETRY); Falaën, 1-VI-1921, 1 ♀ (G); Virton, 26-VI-1912, 2 ♀ (G); Durbuy, 18-VI-1962, 2 ♀ (B); Torgny, 2-VII-1980, 2 ♀.

Namur : Han-sur-Lesse, 23-VI-1962, 1 ♀ (B); Houyet, 6-VII-1928, 1 ♀ (G).

### *Platypalpus minutus* (MEIGEN, 1804)

*Tachydromia minuta* MEIGEN, 1804.

*Tachydromia exigua* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia pygmaea* MACQUART, 1823.

Antwerpen : Lichtaart, 8-VIII-1978, 1 ♂; Zoersel, 4-VIII-1974, 2 ♀ (A. MICHELS); Postel, 13-VIII-1958, 1 ♀ (B).

Brabant : Rouge-Cloître, 23-VII-1920, 1 ♂ (G), Linkebeek, 22-V-1921, 1 ♀ (G); Ganshoren, 7-VII-1977, 1 ♀; 7-VI-1979, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS); Genval, 9-VIII-1885 (J. JACOBS under *T. exigua* MEIGEN); 14.VII-1917 (A. TONNOIR); Wemmel, no date, 1 ♀ (A. TONNOIR); Brussel, no date, 2 ♀ (A. TONNOIR); Hoegaarden, 26-IX-1945, 1 ♀ (B); Ottignies, 6/12-IX-1980, 1 ♀; 20/27-IX-1980, 4 ♀; Neerhespen, 25-IV-1945, 1 ♀, 2 ♂ (A. MICHELS).

Hainaut : Ellezelles : 10-VII-1955, 1 ♀ (B); Louise-Marie, 14-V-1947, 1 ♂ (B).

Liège : Hockai, 2-VI-1929, 3 ♀ (G); Filot, 13-VI-1943 (A. MICHELS).

Limburg : Lommel, 11-VI-1958, 1 ♀ (B).

Luxembourg : Torgny, 3-IX-1980, 5 ♀, 3 ♂.

Namur : Frasnes, 30-VIII-1936, 1 ♀ (B).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Aalter, 19-V-1958, 1 ♂ (B); Destelbergen, 26-VIII-1945, 1 ♀ (B); 8-VI-1947, 1 ♀ (B); Gent, 8-V-1911, 1 ♂ (G); 19-VI-1911, 1 ♀ (G); 16-VI-1963, 1 ♀ (B); Melle, 2-VI-1941, 1 ♀ (B); 16-VI-1942, 1 ♂ (B); Munte, 3-VI-1937, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B); Assenede, 8-IX-1948, 1 ♂ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : De Panne, VI-1892, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (J. JACOBS); 1/18-IX-1932, 1 ♂ (G); Wenduine, 1-X-1980, 1 ♂ (B); Nieuwpoort, 7-IX-1941, 1 ♂; 7-V-1946, 1 ♂ (B); Westkapelle, 19-V-1939, 2 ♂ (B); Blankenberge, 28-IX-1958, 1 ♀ (B); Zeebrugge, 9-V-1944, 1 ♀ (B); Knokke, 18-IX-1938, 1 ♀; 28-V-1948, 1 ♀ (B); Maale (Brugge), 14-IX-1958, 1 ♂ (B); Terdonk, 25-VIII-1961, 1 ♀ (B); Nukerke, 12-VI-1932, 1 ♂ (B).

As can be seen this species is very common and reported from all the provinces in Belgium. Widespread and common all over Europe.

### *Platypalpus nanus* (OLDENBERG, 1924)

*Tachydromia nana* OLDENBERG, 1924.

Oost-Vlaanderen : Doel, 5-VI-1955, 1 ♀, 3 ♂ (B).

### Platypalpus niger (MEIGEN, 1804)

*Tachydromia nigra* MEIGEN, 1804.

*Tachydromia geniculata* FALLÉN, 1815.

*Tachydromia femoralis* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.

*Tachydromia exigua* MEIGEN, LUNDBECK, 1910.

*Platypalpus doormani* THEOWALD, 1962.

Antwerpen : Zoersel, 1-VIII-1979, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS).

Brabant : Genval, 29-VI-1917, 6 ♀ ; 6-VII-1917, 5 ♀ (A. TONNOIR under *T. exigua* MEIGEN); Ganshoren, 26-VII-1975, 1 ♀ ; 18-VIII-1976, 3 ♀ ; 24-VII-1978, 1 ♂ (A. MICHELS); Ottignies, 18-VIII-1980, 5 ♀ ; 23/28-VIII-1980, 3 ♀ ; 6/12-IX-1980, 5 ♀, 1 ♂ ; 20/27-IX-1980, 2 ♀ ; 27-IX/11-X-1980, 2 ♀.

Liège : Visé, 17-VII-1938, 1 ♀ (B).

Oost-Vlaanderen : St-Martens-Latem, 23-VII-1980, 3 ♀, 1 ♂ ; Gent, 13-VI-1951, 1 ♀ (B); 26-VI-1958, 1 ♀ ; 21-VII-1958, 1 ♀ ; 3-VII-1961, 1 ♀ ; Melle, 24-VII-1942, 1 ♂ (B); Merelbeke, 9-VII-1944, 1 ♀ (B); Destelbergen, 1-VIII-1961, 1 ♀ ; 18-VI-1945, 1 ♀ (B); Wachtebeke, 8-VII-1945, 1 ♀ ; 18-VII-1945, 1 ♀ (B); Oostakker, 8-VII-1945, 1 ♀ (B); Waarschoot, 21-VI-1938, 1 ♂ (B).

### Platypalpus nigritarsis (FALLÉN, 1816)

*Tachydromia nigritarsis* FALLÉN, 1816.

*Platypalpus comptus* WALKER, 1837.

Brabant : Ottignies, 19/23-VIII-1980, 1 ♀.

Liège : Bullange, 8-VI-1927, 1 ♀ (G. SEVERIN); Hockai, 2-VII-1920, 1 ♂ (G).

Luxembourg : St-Hubert, 11-VIII-1925, 1 ♀ (G); Chiny, 15-VIII-1945, 1 ♂ (B).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Deurle, 14-IX-1936, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B); Heusden, 12-IX-1942, 1 ♂ (B); Doel, 5-VI-1955, 1 ♀ (B).

West-Vlaanderen : Knokke (duinen), 12-X-1947, 2 ♀ ; 3-IX-1947, 1 ♀ (B).

### Platypalpus niveiseta (ZETTERSTEDT, 1842)

*Tachydromia niveiseta* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.

*Tachydromia albisetosa* var. *brunnipes* STROBL.

Antwerpen : Willebroek, 8-VIII-1878, 1 ♀ (J. JACOBS under *T. albisetosa* MEIGEN).

**Platypalpus notatus (MEIGEN, 1822)**

*Tachydromia notata* MEIGEN, 1822.

Brabant : Ottignies, 19/23-VIII-1980, 2 ♀ ; 20/27-IX-1980, 2 ♀ ; 4/18-X-1980, 2 ♀ ; 17/25-X-1980, 4 ♀ ; 25-X/1-XI-1980, 2 ♀ .

Liège : Hockai, 2-VII-1920, 1 ♂ (G); Sy, 24-VI-1933 (1 ♂ (G under *T. fulvipes* MEIGEN).

Namur : Falaën, 2-VII-1943, 1 ♂ (B under *T. strigifrons*).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Gent, 2-VII-1911, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ ; Waarschoot, 14-VI-1931, 1 ♂ (G).

West-Vlaanderen : Knokke, 9-IX-1931, 1 ♀ (G).

**Platypalpus obscurus (VON ROSER, 1840)**

Luxembourg : Torgny, 10-VII-1948, 1 ♂ (B).

Not yet reported from Great-Britain nor Fennoscandia and Denmark.

**Platypalpus optivus (COLLIN, 1926)**

*Tachydromia optiva* COLLIN, 1926.

Brabant : Ottignies, 19/23-VIII-1980, 1 ♀ .

Luxembourg : Torgny, 21-VII-1951, 1 ♂ (B).

**Platypalpus pallidicornis (COLLIN, 1926)**

*Tachydromia pallidicornis* COLLIN, 1926.

West-Vlaanderen : Knokke (duinen), 5-VII-1936, 1 ♂ (B); St-Jans-in-Eremo, 18-VI-1958, 1 ♂ (B under *T. major* ZETTERSTEDT).

**Platypalpus pallidiventris (MEIGEN, 1822)**

*Empis flavipes* FABRICIUS, 1794.

*Tachydromia pallidiventris* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia dichroa* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Platypalpus robustus* WALKER, 1837.

Antwerpen : Brasschaat, VII-1882, 2 ♀ (J. JACOBS under *T. bicolor* MEIGEN).

Brabant : Mousty, 30-VIII-1892, 1 ♀ (J. JACOBS under *T. infuscata* MEIGEN); Wemmel, 4-VI-1917 (A. TONNOIR); Ganshoren, 26-VII-

1975, 3 ♀; 21-VIII-1978, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS); Jette, 13-VII-1978, 1 ♂ (A. MICHELS); Ottignies, from 15-VIII to 27-IX-1980 ♀ and ♂ frequently.

Liège : Malmédy, 24-VIII-1930, 1 ♂ (G); Hockai, no date, 1 ♂ (B). Luxembourg : Torgny, VII-1939, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B); 2-VII-1980, 2 ♀, 1 ♂; 3-IX-1980, 2 ♀.

Namur : Frasnes, 3-VIII-1936, 1 ♂ (B).

Oost-Vlaanderen : St-Martens-Latem, 23-VII-1980, 3 ♀; Bachte-Maria-Leerne, 9-IX-1936, 1 ♀ (B); Deurle, 28-VII-1936, 1 ♀ (B); Afsnee, 16-IX-1939, 1 ♀ (B); Gent, 12-IX-1911, 1 ♀ (G); 27-VII-1938, 1 ♂ (B); 8-VIII-1947, 1 ♂ (B); 12-VII-1955, 1 ♂ (B); Ronse, 1-VIII-1920, 1 ♀ (G); Munte, 25-VI-1930, 1 ♂ (G).

West-Vlaanderen : De Panne, 1/18-IX-1932, 1 ♀ (G); Nukerke, 12-VI-1932, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (G); Westende, 14-VIII-1979, 1 ♀, 1 ♂; 21-IX-1980, 1 ♀; 23-VII-1980, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS); Knokke, 18-IX-1938, 1 ♀ (B); 5-VII-1938, 2 ♀ (B); 25-VIII-1947, 1 ♀ (B); Lissewege, 6-VIII-1958, 1 ♀ (B); Nieuwpoort, 7-VIII-1946, 1 ♀ (B).

A very common species that occurs together with the closely related *P. longiseta* (ZETTERSTEDT) from which it is sometimes difficult to separate.

### *Platypalpus pallipes* (FALLÉN, 1815)

*Tachydromia pallipes* FALLÉN, 1815.

*Tachydromia flavipalpis* MEIGEN, 1822.

Liège : Modave, 6-VIII-1924, 1 ♂ (G).

West-Vlaanderen : Knokke, 16-IX-1921, 1 ♂ (G).

### *Platypalpus pectoralis* (FALLÉN, 1815)

*Tachydromia pectoralis* FALLÉN, 1815.

*Tachydromia gilvipes* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia varipes* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia taeniata* MEIGEN, 1822.

*Tachydromia straminipes* ZETTERSTEDT, 1842.

*Platypalpus pulchellus* WALKER, 1851.

Brabant : Forêt de Soignes, 12-IX-1942, 1 ♂ (R. TOLLET); VIII-1917, 2 ♀, 1 ♂ (A. TONNOIR); 10-IX-1918, 1 ♀ (A. TONNOIR); Genval, VIII-917, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (A. TONNOIR); Rouge-Cloître, 23-VII-1920, 1 ♂ (G).

- Hainaut : La Houssière, 10-VI-1884, 1 ♀ (J. JACOBS); 19-VI-1955, 1 ♀ ; 10-VII-1955, 1 ♀ ; 17-VII-1959, 2 ♂ ; 13-IX-1959, 2 ♂ (B).
- Liège : Modave, 7-VIII-1924, 2 ♂ (G).
- Luxembourg : Ethe, 4-IX-1980, 2 ♂ ; Virton, 14-VII-1944, 1 ♂ (G); La Roche, 22-VI-1961, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B); Chiny, 15-VIII-1949, 1 ♂ (B); Herbeumont, 26-VI-1952, 1 ♀, 2 ♂ (B).
- Namur : Houyet, 6-VII-1928, 1 ♂ (G); Falaen, 7-VI-1921, 1 ♀ (G); Han-sur-Lesse, 13-VI-1955, 1 ♂ (B).
- Oost-Vlaanderen : Aalter, 9-VIII-1956, 2 ♀ ; 14-VII-1958, 1 ♀, 2 ♂ ; 2-IX-1959, 1 ♀ (B); Melle, 1-VIII-1963, 1 ♂ (B); Deurle, 20-VIII-1937, 2 ♂ (B); St-Martens-Latem, 18-VIII-1920, 3 ♀, 1 ♂ (G).
- West-Vlaanderen : Knokke, 20-VI-1947, 1 ♂ (B); Waarschoot, 19-VIII-1947, 1 ♂ (B).

### *Platypalpus praecinctus* (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia praecincta* COLLIN, 1926.

Brabant : Ottignies, 6/12-IX-1980, 2 ♀ ; 27-IX/4-X-1980, 1 ♀ .

West-Vlaanderen : St-Jans-in-Eremo, 6-VIII-1961, 1 ♂ (B).

Previously only known from Great-Britain. On first sight difficult to distinguish from *P. notatus* and *P. infectus*. However, all abdominal segments are dusted anteriorly.

### *Platypalpus pseudorapidus* KOVALEV, 1971

*Platypalpus rapidus* MEIGEN; FREY, 1943.

Brabant : Ruisbroek, VI-1878, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (J. JACOBS under *T. exigua*).

The specimen in the collection of the I. R. S. N. B. fits entirely to the description given by CHVÁLA (1975) although CHVÁLA considers it as a North-East European species : common in Finland, in European U. S. S. R. (East as far as Ural) and in mountainous areas of Central Europe (Czechoslovakia, Austria).

### *Platypalpus pulicarius* (MEIGEN, 1830)

*Tachydromia pulicaria* MEIGEN, 1830.

Luxembourg : Torgny, 2-VII-1980, 1 ♀ .

Platypalpus rapidoides CHVÁLA, 1975

Brabant : Ottignies, 9-16-V-1981, 2 ♂; 15-22-V-1981; 1 ♂; 23-30-V-1981, 1 ♀; 6-12-VI-1981, 1 ♀.

Platypalpus stabilis (COLLIN, 1961)

*Tachydromia stabilis* (COLLIN, 1961).

Limburg : Lommel, 11-VI-1958, 1 ♂ (B).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Waarschoot, 22-V-1958, 1 ♂ (B under *T. pallidiventris* MEIGEN).

Although there are only two captures mentioned here, this species is probably more abundant in Belgium. A number of females which could be *P. stabilis* are not enclosed in the list.

Platypalpus strigifrons (ZETTERSTEDT, 1849)

*Tachydromia strigifrons* (ZETTERSTEDT, 1849).

West-Vlaanderen : De Panne, 15-VI-1960, 1 ♀ (B); 8-VIII-1928, 1 ♂; 11-IX-1930, 1 ♀; 1/12-IX-1931, 1 ♀; 1/18-IX-1932, 1 ♀ (G under *T. fulvipes* MEIGEN); Westhoek, 29-VII-1980, 1 ♀; Nieuwpoort, 4-IX-1930, 1 ♂ (G); 15-IX-1973, 2 ♀ (A. MICHELS); Westende, 24-VIII-1973, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS); Zeebrugge, 11-IX-1938, 1 ♀, 1 ♂ (B); Blankenberge; 9-X-1955, 1 ♀, 1 ♂; 26-VIII-1958, 1 ♀ (B); Knokke, 18-IX-1920, 2 ♀; IX-1921, 1 ♀, 1 ♂; 9-IX-1931, 2 ♀ (G); 23-V-1948, 1 ♀ (B); Zwin (Knokke), 20-IX-1936, 1 ♂ (B), 12-VIII-1977, 1 ♀ (A. MICHELS).

Platypalpus sylvicola (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia sylvicola* COLLIN, 1926.

Oost-Vlaanderen : Deurle, 6-VI-1944, 1 ♀ (B).

Platypalpus verralli (COLLIN, 1926)

*Tachydromia verralli* COLLIN, 1926.

Brabant : Ganshoren, 24-VII-1978, 1 ♂ (A. MICHIELS); Ottignies, 15/18-VIII-1980, 1 ♀.

Liège : Hockai, 19-VI-1952, 1 ♀ (G under *T. fasciata*).

Luxembourg : Herbeumont, 23-VI-1952, 1 ♀ (B).

Oost-Vlaanderen : Destelbergen, 14-VI-1944, 1 ♂ (B).

The female captured at Ottignies (15/18-VIII-1980) differs from the descriptions given by COLLIN (1961) and CHVÁLA (1975) in that the third antennal segment is yellow (not darkened) with a darkened tip and black arista; the acr are irregularly triserial anteriorly while biserial posteriorly; abdomen yellowish.

#### DISCUSSION

Actually 58 species of *Platypalpus* are known from Belgium. 31 of them were not previously recorded, including two species new for science which will be described elsewhere. However more species are expected when compared to the fauna of Great-Britain, where 76 species are found until now (J. COLLIN, 1961; K. SMITH & M. CHVÁLA, 1976). Unfortunately no comparison could be made with the surrounding countries (France, The Netherlands and West-Germany) since to my knowledge no recent faunistical studies were made considering the large number of new or redescribed species from the last decades. Species that also can occur in Belgium are : *P. rapidus* (MEIGEN), *P. melancholicus* (COLLIN), *P. mikii* (BECKER), *P. infectus* (COLLIN), *P. aeneus* MACQUART, *P. pallidicoxa* (FREY), *P. nigritosus* (STROBL) and *P. pictitarsis* (BECKER). Also a number of boreo-alpine species are expected on the « plateau des Hautes Fagnes » in the East of Belgium.

Due to synonymy following species, mentioned in previous papers disappear from the fauna-list : *Tachydromia bicolor* MEIGEN syn. of *P. ecalceatus* (ZETTERSTEDT) and *P. cursitans* (FABRICIUS); *P. comptus* WALKER syn. of *P. nigritarsis* (FALLÉN); *T. flavipes* MACQUART syn. of *P. pallidiventris* (MEIGEN); *T. infuscata* MEIGEN syn. of *P. annulipes* (MEIGEN); *T. thoracica* LUNDBECK syn. of *P. ruficornis* (VON ROSER); *T. fulvipes* MEIGEN syn. of *P. annulatus* (FALLÉN); *T. varia* WALKER syn. of *P. analis* (MEIGEN); *T. exigua* MEIGEN syn. of *P. minutus* (MEIGEN). *P. unguiculatus* (ZETTERSTEDT) from the collection of J. JACOBS and *P. fasciatus* (MEIGEN) from the collections of J. JACOBS and M. GOETGHEBUER both appeared to be *P. cursitans* (FABRICIUS).

Fig. 1 represents the localities where *Platypalpus* have been captured. As can be seen it covers a somewhat diagonal line from the coast to the South-East of Belgium, crossing through nearly all important geographical and faunistical regions of Belgium. Unfortunately large areas have not been sampled yet or only superficially so that it is still too early to establish maps per species to show their distribution patterns. Areas which need study in the near future are the province West-Vlaanderen

(with exception of the coast), a region known as the 'Vlaamse Ardennen' (South of Gent) and the 'Kempen' (North-East of Belgium). Especially the latter has interesting biotopes.

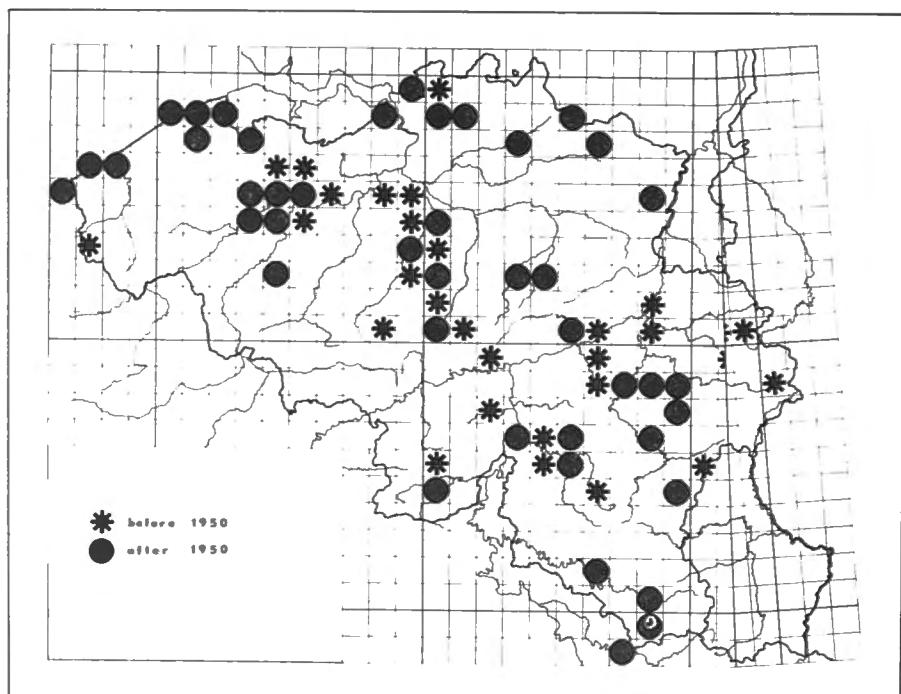


Fig. 1. — Localities where *Platypalpus* have been captured in Belgium.

The flight-periods of *Platypalpus* in Belgium, based on the present study, are summarised in Table I. Earlier literature records, in so far the specimens were not present in the collection of the I. R. S. N. B., were not considered since the older literature does not deal with the recent revisions. Whereas for the large number of rare species the data are far from complete, certain trends can be seen for the more common species. Most species are present from June until late August and are also restricted to that period. True spring-species are *P. agilis*, *P. albicornis* and *P. major*. *P. longicornis* is present throughout the year but with a peak in September (C. FASSOTTE & P. GROOTAERT, 1981). *P. maculipes* reported to occur throughout the year in Fennoscandia and Denmark (M. CHVÁLA, 1975) has its flight-period very late in the year in Belgium with peaks of activity in October at Ottignies (C. FASSOTTE & P. GROOTAERT, l.c.).

As can be seen from the previous paragraphs it is clear that further study of the genus *Platypalpus* is needed in Belgium.

TABLE I

Flight periods of *Platypalpus* in Belgium based upon the present study; the occurrence in Great-Britain (GB), Fennoscandia and Denmark (FD) and Central-Europe (CE) (based on Chvála, 1975). The species marked with an asterisk were not previously recorded from Belgium.





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#### RESUME

La liste provisoire des espèces du genre *Platypalpus* avec leur répartition en Belgique est donnée. Des 58 espèces citées, 31 n'étaient pas encore signalées de notre pays.

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