

BUXBAUMIA VIRIDIS - A CANDIDATE OF "RED LISTS" OF BRYOPHYES**Zdeněk Soldán***Department of Botany, Charles University, Benátská 2, 128 01 Praha 2, Czechoslovakia*

Among ca. 14 species known, only two species of the genus *Buxbaumia* occur in Europe: rarer, predominantly saprophytic *Buxbaumia viridis* (Moug. ex Lam. & DC.) Brid. ex Moug. & Nestl. and more common, terrestrial *B. aphylla* Hedw. Both species are in regression in the present, e.g. *B. viridis*: Germany - only 19 localities reported after 1960 compared with 134 formerly known, Switzerland - 8 from 50, Great Britain - 2 from 6, but also Slovakia - only 6 localities after 1970 compared with 53 localities reported till 1956 (Novacký 1956).

The species *B. viridis* is distributed in Asia, NW-America and Europe. It is characterized by disjunct circumbooreal montane pattern of distribution. This species grows on old decaying logs and stumps of conifers, more rarely of deciduous trees in permanently shaded and airhumid places inside the montane or boreal (sub)natural coniferous forests (refer to model elaboration of this species for the Bern Convention, Schumacker, ms.).

The specimens of *B. viridis* deposited in principal herbaria (BP, BRA, BRNM, BRNU, OLM, OP, PR, PRC, SLO and some private herbaria) originate from more than one hundred localities on the territory of Czechoslovakia (see also Appendix). Its distribution in Czechoslovakia has the following altitudinal patterns: from ca 250 m a.s.l. (the lowest altitude localities Černosice near Praha and Silesian Vidnava) to nearly 1500 m a.s.l. (Velická dolina valley in the Low Tatra Mts. - 1480 m a.s.l.) with the majority of localities between 600-1100 m a.s.l. A time distribution of findings has a mild increasing tendency (from 1853 - the first collection of *B. viridis* in Krušné hory Mts.) with peaks in the first decade of the 20th century (mainly collections by Velenovský, Schiffner, Györffy, etc.) and in the fifties (mainly collections by Šmarda, Boros, Peciar, Pospíšil, Pilous, Jedlička, etc.). A very strong drop is visible after 1960 till the present. In Czechoslovakia, *B. viridis* shows a clear sharp decrease in abundance along the West-East direction: the last finding is from 1960 in Bohemia, only 1 finding after 1960 has been reported from Moravia. A situation is comparatively better in Slovakia, where *B. viridis* is reported from 6 localities after 1970 (refer to Fig. 1).

Tab. 1 shows a summary of the species status in various "red lists" of *B. viridis* and a related species *B. aphylla* in Europe. The comparison of different sources is not always straightforward, since approaches of individual authors to the categories of endangering vary. *B. viridis* is mostly classified as a species with the highest or higher stage of endangering in available bryophyte red lists in Europe (if the species occurs in the region in question). Surprisingly, it does not appear in lists of some neighbouring countries, e.g. in Poland and Hungary. A comparison of *B. viridis* with a related species *B. aphylla* is not always uniform; *B. aphylla* is sometimes given even a higher category of endangerment.

Intensive study of autecology and biology of this species might reveal a complex of causes of its decline. Known threats are e.g. overexploitation of old (sub)natural coniferous forests (predominantly destruction of homeostatic microhabitats and lack of large decaying logs). The generalized air pollution and various chemical loads on forests (e.g. liming or pesticides) might also have unfavourable influence, namely on the extremely reduced gametophyte of the species. A minimum arrangement for the preservation of this species is a protection of old, primary or secondary,

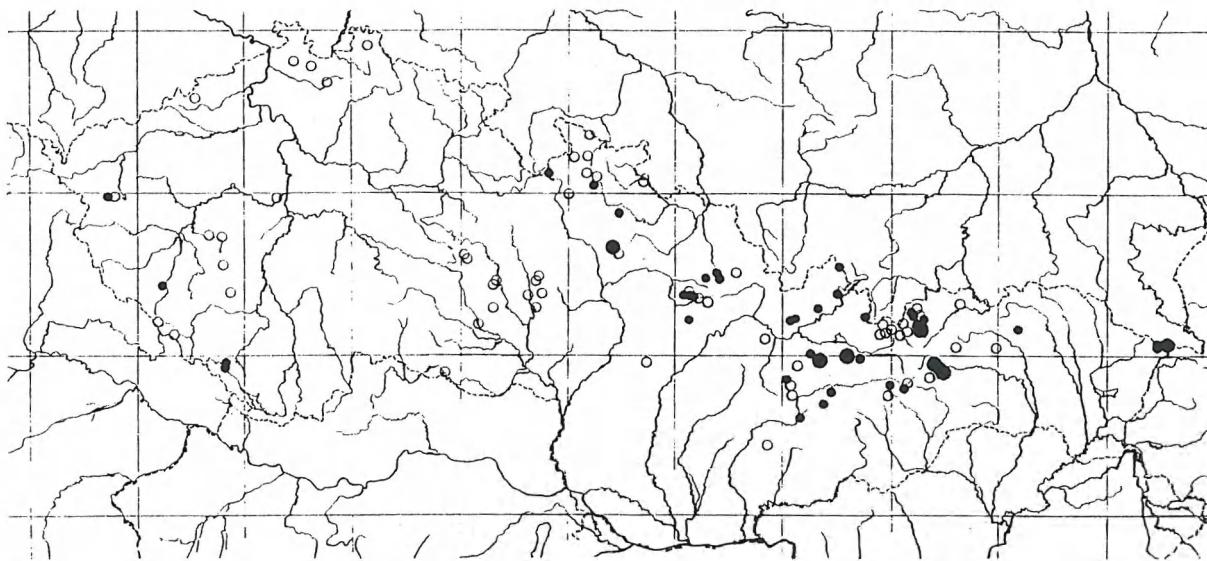


Fig. 1 Distribution of *Buxbaumia viridis* in Czechoslovakia;
open circles - till 1950; small full circles - 1951-1970; large full circles - 1971 onwards.

coniferous or mixed forests at larger areas (min. 500 - 1000 ha) with non-disturbing forest management.

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Appendix

Distribution of *Buxbaumia viridis* in Czechoslovakia - survey of localities

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Tab. 1. Categories of *Buxbaumia viridis* and *B. aphyllea* in various red lists

Region (Reference)	<i>B. viridis</i>	Category	<i>B. aphyllea</i>
World (Bern Convention)	rare	-	-
Europe (Bern Convention)	endangered	-	-
Europe - EEC (Schumacker & Düll, ms.)	vulnerable	endangered	
Belgium (De Zuttere & Schumacker 1984)	rayer	disparus	
Sweden (Anonymus 1991)	care-demanding	-	-
Finland (Rassi & Väistönen 1987)	vulnerable	-	-
Luxembourg (Werner 1987)	not grows	menacées de disperation	
Germany (Philippi (1984)	-	-	
Berlin (Klawitter & Schaepe 1985)	verschollene und ausgestorbene A.	stark gefährdet	
Niedersachsen (Hübschmann 1982)	ausgestorben, ausgerottete oder verschollen Arten	gefährdet	
Nordrhein-Westfalens (Düll & Koppe 1978)	verschollen oder ausgestorben (Rhein.)	vom Aussterben bedroht (Rhein.)	
Thüringen (Meinunger 1983)	stark gefährdet bzw. mit sehr starken Rückgang	stark gefährdet bzw. mit deutlichen Rückgang	
Sachsen (Müller & Borsdorf 1991)	erloschene und verschollene A.	stark gefährdet	
Switzerland (Urmí 1987)	vulnerable	-	
Austria (Grims 1986)	potentiell gefährdet	gefährdet	
Hungary (Rajczy 1990)	-	-	
Poland (Ochyra 1986)	-	-	
Czechoslovakia			
Moravia (Pospíšil 1988)	akut gefährdet	gefährdet	
Slovakia (Peciar 1987)	akut gefährdet	-	
Giant Mts. (Pilous 1986)	endangered	-	