

Orthotrichum pulchellum Brunton in J. E. Smith

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Czech Republic: BOHEMIA, České Švýcarsko National Park, 2.5 km WNW of Chřibská village, valley of Doubický potok stream, loc. “hájenka Saula”, bark of *Fraxinus excelsior*, GPS coordinates (WGS 84) 50°52'21"N 14°26'48"E, 335 m a.s.l., 3 August 2006 leg. I. Marková, det. V. Plášek (priv. herb. Marková # 78/2006).

The specimen cited above is the first collection of the epiphytic moss from the Czech Republic. In Europe it is reported from many countries situated mainly along western seacoasts (from southern Scandinavia to northern Spain). The number of its localities recently increases and it looks the moss spreads to the east (Frahm 2002, Lüth 2004). In the Czech Republic it was recorded growing vertically on bark of *Fraxinus excelsior* in height 205 cm above ground, in ENE exposition. Size of the population was 2 cm². Associated species: *Brachythecium salebrosum*, *Hypnum cupressiforme* and *Orthotrichum pumilum*.

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