

Tanypezidae

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Diagnosis: Medium-sized (5.0-8.0 mm), slender, shining black flies; with silvery microtomentose patches on head and sides of thorax. Head rounded-hemispherical, frons narrow, in male distinctly narrower than in female, antenna small, arista pubescent, interfrontal setulae and vibrissa absent. Legs long and slender. Wing narrow, hyaline, unspotted; C with a weak subcostal break; Sc complete; R₁ setulose, R₄₊₅ recurved distally and ending close to M, cells bm and cup present, the latter closed by a knee-like bent.

Biology: The larvae are saprophagous and probably develop in rotting wood or other decaying plant material. Adults can be found on low vegetation in wet deciduous forests, usually on the banks of rivers and brooks.

Nomenclature and classification: According to Roháček (2007).

Number of species: CH: 1 (1998 Checklist: 1),
BE: 1, CZ: 1, DE: 1, IT: 1, NL: 1, UK: 1, Europe: 1, World: 28.

Level of faunistic knowledge in Switzerland: Excellent.

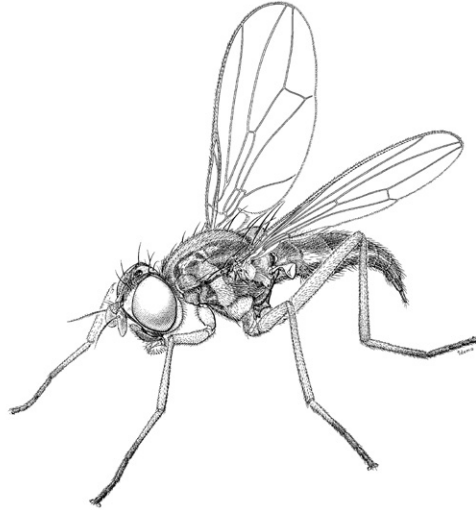
General references: Foote (1970), Roháček (1998, 2007).

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Tanypeza Fallén, 1820

- *longimana* Fallén, 1820 !



Tanypeza longimana,
female (MND2, p.773).

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