

## NOTA BREVE / SHORT NOTE

### First record of *Oxycarenus lavaterae* (Fabricius, 1787) (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Oxycarenidae) from São Miguel (Azores, Portugal)

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*Oxycarenus lavaterae* (Fabricius, 1787) (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Oxycarenidae) is native to the Western Mediterranean Region and has been reported from the Portuguese archipelago of the Azores, where, up to now, it was found on the island of Terceira (BORGES et al., 2013).

Now, the presence of *O. lavaterae* on the island of São Miguel can be reported: On 18-06-2023, an aggregation of nymphs and adult specimens was found and photographed by Carlos Manuel Lopes de Sousa in Fajã de Baixo, a civil parish located northeast of Ponta Delgada, the capital of the Azores (Fig. 1). Photographs of the specimens were uploaded to the online database iNaturalist (see [here](#)).

This record is the first one for São Miguel, as *O. lavaterae* has not been reported from this island so far (Paulo Borges, pers. comm.).

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**Fig. 1.-** Nymphs and adults of *Oxycarenus lavaterae* (Fabricius, 1787) from Fajã de Baixo, São Miguel, Azores, Portugal. (Photo: Carlos Manuel Lopes de Sousa).