

# New Pyridine Alkaloids from Rove Beetles of the Genus *Stenus* (Coleoptera: Staphylinidae)

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Three new pyridine alkaloids were detected in the pygidial glands of some *Stenus* species. The chemotaxonomic significance of the occurrence of these alkaloids and stenusine in different *Stenus* species is discussed. The antimicrobial properties of (*Z*)- and (*E*)-3-(2-methyl-1-butenyl)-pyridine and the deterrent activities of stenusine and norstenusine were investigated.

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