

## Cover Letter

The manuscript reports the first occurrence in South America of *Cryptontsira parva* (Muesebeck, 1941) (Hymenoptera, Braconidae, Doryctinae), as well as the parasitic association with *Lyctus brunneus* (Stephens, 1830) (Coleoptera, Bostrichidae, Lyctinae). In this context, it also performs, in a pioneering way worldwide, the description of some sexual and oviposition behaviors of this Hymenoptera.

The work intends to contribute with information that is used to promote research on biological control of *L. brunneus*, a coleoptera considered a severe pest of wood in Brazil and in the world.

Best regards,

The authors.