

Freshwater Flora of Central Europe: Lichens

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This work constitutes the 21st volume of a series of 24 books entitled “Süßwasserflora von Mitteleuropa”, founded by A. Pascher, and of which the first volume was published in the mid-eighties. These volumes aim to provide identification keys for all plant and fungal groups occurring in freshwater habitats in Central Europe. The 21st volume addresses freshwater fungi, and the first part of this volume, edited by B. Büdel, G. Gärtner, L. Krienitz, H.-R. Preisig and M. Schagerl, focuses on lichens.

This volume is published in English. The authors, Dr. Holger Thüs and Dr. Matthias Schultz, are experienced lichenologists with an excellent knowledge of the freshwater flora, as their groups of interest comprise many aquatic species. Dr. Thüs is particularly devoted to the study of the family Verrucariaceae, and Dr. Schultz to the study of the family Lichinaceae.

The book includes an interesting introduction, which first defines both the species and geographic