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## **Bericht 2016 über Untersuchungen mesozoischer Brachiopoden auf Blatt NL 33-02-01 Kirchdorf an der Krems**

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In the area of Molln, two new outcrops containing Jurassic brachiopods were found during a mapping survey of Michael Moser (GBA). Previously, these occurrences of light-brown, pink or reddish, mostly massive crinoidal brachiopod limestone („Crinoidenspatkalk“) were assigned either to the Middle Jurassic Vils Formation (GEYER, 1909; GEYER & ABEL, 1918) or to the Lower Jurassic Hierlatzkalk (BRAUNSTINGL, 1986; GAITANAKIS, 1977). For this study, these localities were sampled for brachiopods to clarify their stratigraphic age.

The first outcrop (BMN 31: E 520323 / N 307683) is located near the Gaisberg Mountain, on the top of a rocky ledge in an altitude of 945 m a.s.l., about 175 m south of the Mollnerhütte (1,000 m a.s.l.). There a very hard reddish and light-grey crinoidal limestone is exposed. The isolation of the brachiopod specimens from the hard rock matrix was difficult and a major part of the specimens was fragmented or/and represented by single valves. Internal characters were mostly destroyed by recrystallization. The locality yielded 109 specimens (incl. fragmentary shells). The most common were terebratulids (44 %) followed by rhynchonellids (37 %). The stratigraphically important spiriferinids formed 19 % of the total assemblage. Particularly important for the stratigraphic assignment are *Lokutella palmaeformis*, *Apringia diptycha*, *Pseudogibbirhynchia sordellii* and *Dispiriferina segregata*, which indicate the Pliensbachian and suggest an assignment to the Hierlatzkalk. The complete encountered brachiopod assemblage consists of:

*Prionorhynchia ex gr. serrata* (SOWERBY, 1825)  
*Prionorhynchia belemnica* (QUENSTEDT, 1858) (juv.)  
*Jakubirhynchia aff. fascicostata* (UHLIG, 1880)  
*Lokutella palmaeformis* (HAAS, 1912)  
*Apringia diptycha* (BÖSE, 1898)  
*Gibbirhynchia aff. curviceps* (QUENSTEDT, 1858)  
*Pseudogibbirhynchia sordellii* (PARONA, 1880)  
*Cisnerospira meneghiniana* (CANAVARI, 1880)  
*Cisnerospira aff. sylvia* (GEMMELLARO, 1878)  
*Liospiriferina alpina* (OPPEL, 1861)  
*Liospiriferina cf. obtusa* (OPPEL, 1861)  
*Liospiriferina sp.*  
*Callospiriferina cf. tumida* (BUCH, 1836)  
*Callospiriferina sp.* (juv.)  
*Dispiriferina segregata* (DI STEFANO, 1887)  
*Buckmanithyris nimbata* (OPPEL, 1861)  
*Bakonyithyris ovimontana* (BÖSE, 1898)  
*Bakonyithyris ewaldi* (OPPEL, 1861)  
„*Terebratula*“ *aff. ascia* GIRARD (1843)  
*Linguithyris aspasia* (ZITTEL, 1869)  
*Zeilleria stapia* (OPPEL, 1861)  
*Zeilleria aff. stapia* (OPPEL, 1861)  
*Zeilleria cf. venusta* (UHLIG, 1880)  
*Zeilleria sp.* (juv.)

The second outcrop (BMN 31: E 523838 / N 307353) of crinoidal limestone is located about 650 m SE of the summit of Mount Schoberstein (1.257 m) in an altitude of 1,030 m. This locality forms the base of the crinoidal limestone, only a few meters above the top of the Triassic „Oberhätalk“. The brachiopod assemblage collected by Michael Moser consists of 48 specimens, which are poorly preserved. Only two species could be determined: ? *Antiptychina rothpletzi* (DI STEFANO, 1891) (juv.) and *Nannirhynchia reynesi* (GEMMELLARO, 1874), which indicates Upper Sinemurian–Pliensbachian. Additionally, juvenile terebratulids (*Zeilleria sp.*) were found.

In conclusion, the encountered brachiopod assemblages of both outcrops give evidence for the Lower Jurassic and indicate an assignment of the crinoidal limestone to the Hierlatzkalk.

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