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**RECORDS OF TWO PANORPA (MECOPTERA) SPECIES
FROM NORTH OSSETIA – ALANIA**

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The article shows the records of two Mecoptera species from North Ossetia – Alania: *Panorpa connexa* MacLachlan, 1869 and *Panorpa similis* Esben-Petersen, 1915. Both species are endemics or subendemics of the Caucasus and the recent Russian records are known from Krasnodarskyi kray and Republic of Adygea only.

Key words: Caucasus, endemics, Mecoptera, Russia, scorpion-flies

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The fauna of Panorpidae (Mecoptera) of the former USSR was excellently elaborated by Martynova (1957). The species *Panorpa connexa* and *P. similis* are to be known as common and widespread through Caucasus. However, during long 60 years, no exact data from Russian Caucasus about these two species were not published after that monograph, see Shchurov & Makarkin (2017) and Makarkin & Shchurov (2019) for more info. In this contribution, the records of both species from North Ossetia – Alania are presented.

List of species

***Panorpa connexa* MacLachlan, 1869**

Material. North Ossetia – Alania, Suadag, Shapriko forest, broadleaf forest, 43.0384° N, 44.3094° E, 30.07.2021, pitfall trap, 1 ♂, 1 ♀, Yu. V. Komarov leg., L. Dvořák det. et coll.

***Panorpa similis* Esben-Petersen, 1915**

Material. North Ossetia – Alania, Suadag, Shapriko forest, broadleaf forest, 43.0384° N, 44.3094° E, 30.07.2021, pitfall trap, 1 ♀, Yu. V. Komarov leg., L. Dvořák det. et coll.

P. connexa was considered to be an endemic species to the Caucasus (Martynova, 1957), but Willmann (1975, 1978) reported more records from northernmost Turkey by the Black Sea. Martynova (1957) did not published exact data and the recent data are reported by Makarkin & Shchurov (2019) from Krasnodarkyi kray only. *Panorpa similis* is an endemic species to the Caucasus (Martynova, 1957). Shchurov & Makarkin (2017) reported the records from the Republic of Adigea and stated that no paper dealing with the occurrence of *P. similis*

was published since the work of Martynova (1957). Dvořák (2017) published the records from Turkey (Artvin and Ardahan province) and Makarkin & Shchurov (2019) from Krasnodarkyi kray. Here presented data are the only recent known from the Central Russian Caucasus for both species.

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НАХОДКИ ДВУХ ВИДОВ PANORPA (МЕКОПТЕРА) ИЗ СЕВЕРНОЙ ОСЕТИИ – АЛАНИИ

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В статье приведены сведения о находках двух видов из отряда Mecoptera из Республики Северной Осетии – Алании: *Panorpa connexa* MacLachlan, 1869 и *Panorpa similis* Esben-Petersen, 1915. Оба вида являются эндемиками или субэндемиками Кавказа. Последние находки в России известны только из Краснодарского края и Республики Адыгея.

Ключевые слова: Кавказ, эндемики, Mecoptera, Россия, скорпионницы