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## NEW AND RARE SPIDER SPECIES (ARACHNIDA, ARANEAE) FROM UKRAINE

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**New and Rare Spider Species (Arachnida, Araneae) from Ukraine. Polchaninova, N., Gnelitsa, V., Terekhova, V., Iosypchuk, A.** — An annotated list of 31 spider species of 12 families collected in Northeastern, Eastern and Southern Ukraine is presented. Four species, *Marinarozelotes manychensis* (Ponomarev & Tsvetkov, 2006), *Turkozolotes kazachstanicus* (Ponomarev et Tsvetkov, 2006), *Zelotes atrocaeruleus* (Simon, 1878), and *Z. puritanus* Chamberlin, 1922, are recorded for the first time from Ukraine. For *Micaria coarctata* (Lucas, 1846), this is the first record from the East European Plain. Nine species were recorded for the first time from Left-Bank Ukraine. To date, 1081 spider species are known from Ukraine and 757 species from Left-Bank Ukraine. Based on recent data, the northern boundaries of the geographic ranges of *Drassyllus crimeaensis* Kovblyuk, 2003 and *Bassanioides caperatus* (Simon, 1875) run along the northern coast of the Sea of Azov. For *Marinarozelotes manychensis* and *Turkozolotes kazachstanicus* the northwestern coast of the Sea of Azov is the westernmost known limit of their distribution. The range of *Heriaeus horridus* Tyschchenko, 1965 is delimited in the west by the right bank of the Dnipro estuary. Thirteen species are illustrated.

Key words: araneofauna of Europe, geographic distribution, habitat preference, conservation areas.

## Introduction

Arachnological research in Ukraine has a long history dating back to the 1830s (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019). Until now, 1077 spider species have been known in the Ukrainian fauna (Nentwig et al., 2021). Nonetheless, the country's territory is still unevenly studied. The Crimea and Left-Bank Ukraine are investigated best. Spiders of these regions have been catalogued, and the species lists are constantly updated. A list of spiders of the Crimea numbers 569 species (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015; Nadolny, 2020), and that of Left-Bank Ukraine 741 species (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013, 2017, 2019). Even in these well-studied areas, there are many blank spots. One of them is Zaporizhzhia Region, with only 122 species known. For comparison, a list of spiders of the adjacent Donetsk Region numbers 514 species (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019).

The aim of the present paper is to make a list of recently recorded and rare spider species in Ukraine, to comment on their geographical distribution, and to provide photos/drawings of the species, which need additional illustration.

## Material and methods

The material was collected during field expeditions by N. Polchaninova and diploma studies by R. Honcharov (V. N. Karazin Kharkiv National University) in May–October 2019, and collecting trips by A. Iosipchuk (Kherson State University) in 2020 in 23 localities in Donetsk, Kharkiv, Kherson and Zaporizhzhia administrative regions of Ukraine. Hereinafter, we use the abbreviations NNP — National Nature Park, RLP — Regional Landscape Park, AR Crimea — Autonomic Republic of Crimea, Reg. — administrative Region. Unless otherwise specified, the material was collected by N. Polchaninova; pitfall trapping was the main sampling method.

List of collecting localities mentioned in the text.

- 800 m E Bohorodychne [Богородичне], NNP 'Sviati Hory', 49.02111° N, 37.51972° E.
- 1.7 km E Davydivka [Давидівка], Utiutskyi Lyman, the Mala River mouth, Pryazovskyi NNP, 46.51200° N, 35.18170° E.
- 2 km E Davydivka [Давидівка], Pryazovskyi NNP, 46.51509° N, 35.18784° E.
- 2.7 km S Dvorichna [Дворічна], 49.82833° N, 37.67583° E.
- 4 km E Krasnokutsk [Краснокутськ], NNP 'Slobozhanskyi', 50.06167° N, 35.22583° E.
- 3.8 km SEE Krasnokutsk [Краснокутськ], NNP 'Slobozhanskyi', 50.05333° N, 35.21222° E.
- 2 km SW Kryva Luka [Крива Лука], Department 'Kreidova Flora' of the Ukrainian Natural Steppe Reserve, 48.86944° N, 37.87306° E.
- 800 m SW Kryva Luka [Крива Лука], 'Kreidova Flora', 48.87444° N, 37.88972° E.
- 1.3 km NE Kryva Luka [Крива Лука], 'Kreidova Flora', 48.87861° N, 37.91889° E.
- 2 km NE Kryva Luka [Крива Лука], 'Kreidova Flora', 48.5249° N, 37.5545° E.
- Nesterivka [Нестерівка], RLP 'Velykoburlutskyi Steppe', 49.93028° N, 37.30944° E.
- 1.5 km NEE Nove [Нове], Utiutskyi Lyman, the Atmanai River mouth, Pryazovskyi NNP, 46.44021° N, 35.10316° E.
- 1.3 km E Nove [Нове], Pryazovskyi NNP, 46.43720° N, 35.09892° E.
- 1.2 km NNE Respublikanets [Республіканець], NNP 'Kamyanska Sich', 47.01500° N, 33.658056° E.
- 1 km NW Respublikanets [Республіканець], NNP 'Kamyanska Sich', 47.00833° N, 33.64028° E.
- 500 m SSE Respublikanets [Республіканець], NNP 'Kamyanska Sich', 46.99972° N, 33.65361° E.
- 4.8 km NE Sheliuhy [Шелюги], Molochnyi Lyman coast, Pryazovskyi NNP, 46.59287° N, 35.27463° E.
- 1.85 km SW Shyroka Balka [Широка Балка], Dniprovskyi Lyman coast, 46.57629° N, 32.18361° E.
- 3.5 km SW Stepok [Степок], Fedotova spit, Pryazovskyi NNP, 46.27172° N, 35.28255° E.
- 5 km W Stepanivka [Степанівка], Stepanivska spit, Pryazovskyi NNP, 46.43719° N, 35.44617° E.
- Syvashyk bay shore, Utiutskyi Lyman [берег затоки Сивашик Утлюцького лиману] Pryazovskyi NNP, 46.41398° N, 35.10038° E.
- 3.9 km NNW Novokairi [Новокаїри], NNP 'Kamyanska Sich', 46.99972° N, 33.65361° E.
- 3.9 km W Skadovsk [Скадовськ], NNP 'Dzharylhatskyi', 46.12084° N, 32.86619° E.

We listed here only remarkable records referred to the spider species: first records from Ukraine marked with an asterisk (\*), first records from Left-Bank Ukraine, and patchily distributed rare species.

The nomenclature follows the World Spider Catalog (WOS, 2021). A list of species is provided with a name of locality (see above), habitat, number of males/females, and collecting date(s) as well as data on the species distribution in Ukraine and general distribution. The species ranges are given after the catalogues of regional and world faunas (Mikhailov, 2013, 2021; Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015; Li & Lin, 2016; Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013, 2017, 2019; Nentwig et al., 2021; WOS, 2021). In case of the absence of generalizing works or for the range specification, we use appropriate papers (see below). The material is deposited in N. Polchaninova's personal collection (Kharkiv, Ukraine).

We have chosen 13 species for illustration based on the following criteria: the species copulatory organs are drawn exhaustively but there are no photos; the species is illustrated with photos, but the more detailed drawings are needed; the species general appearance is not illustrated well. Moreover, some species were found at the extremities of their ranges, thus, their morphological peculiarities can demonstrate the species geographic variability. The photos were taken by V. Terekhova with the use of the camera Leica DC 300 and the binocular microscope Leica MZ 7.5, the ink drawings were made by V. Gnelitsa with a camera lucida.

## List of species

### Family Clubionidae

#### *Porrhoclubiona genevensis* (L. Koch, 1866)

Material examined. Kharkiv Reg., near Nesterivka, SE facing slope dominated by grasses 28.05–30.06.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. Europe, Canary Islands, North Africa, Central Asia (to Tajikistan) (Zamani et al., 2017; Marusik & Omelko, 2018). Ukraine: Kyiv Reg.: Middle Dnipro region (Singaevsky, 2014 as *Clubiona* g.), Kopachiv (E. Singaevsky pers. comm); AR Crimea: Saky Distr. (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015 as *Clubiona* g.); Kharkiv Reg. (first record).

Note. First record from Left-Bank Ukraine.

### Family Dictynidae

#### *Devade tenella* (Tystshenko, 1965) (fig. 1)

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., 4 km E Sheliuhy, saline marshes, 07–24.06.2019, 5 ♂; 2 km E Davydivka, saline marshes, 07–24.06.2019, 6 ♂.

Distribution. From Southern Ukraine (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015; Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019) to China (Xinjiang) (Li & Lin, 2016). Ukraine: Kherson Reg.: Heroiske, Novochohromorya; Donetsk Reg.: Donetsk, Siedove (Polchaninova & Prokopenko 2013, 2017); AR Crimea: Simferopol Distr. (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina 2015); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. A saline marshes specialist. Heroiske Vill. (Kherson Reg.) is the westernmost known locality.

#### *Dictyna sinuata* Eyunin & Sozontov, 2016 (figs 2–5)

Material examined. Kharkiv Reg., 1.7 km S Dvorichna, foot of a chalk hill, 17.05.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. Only three localities are known. Russia: Orenburg Reg. (Eyunin & Sozontov, 2016). Ukraine: Kherson (Ponomarev et al., 2017 c) and Kharkiv (first record) regions.

Note. First record from Left-Bank Ukraine.

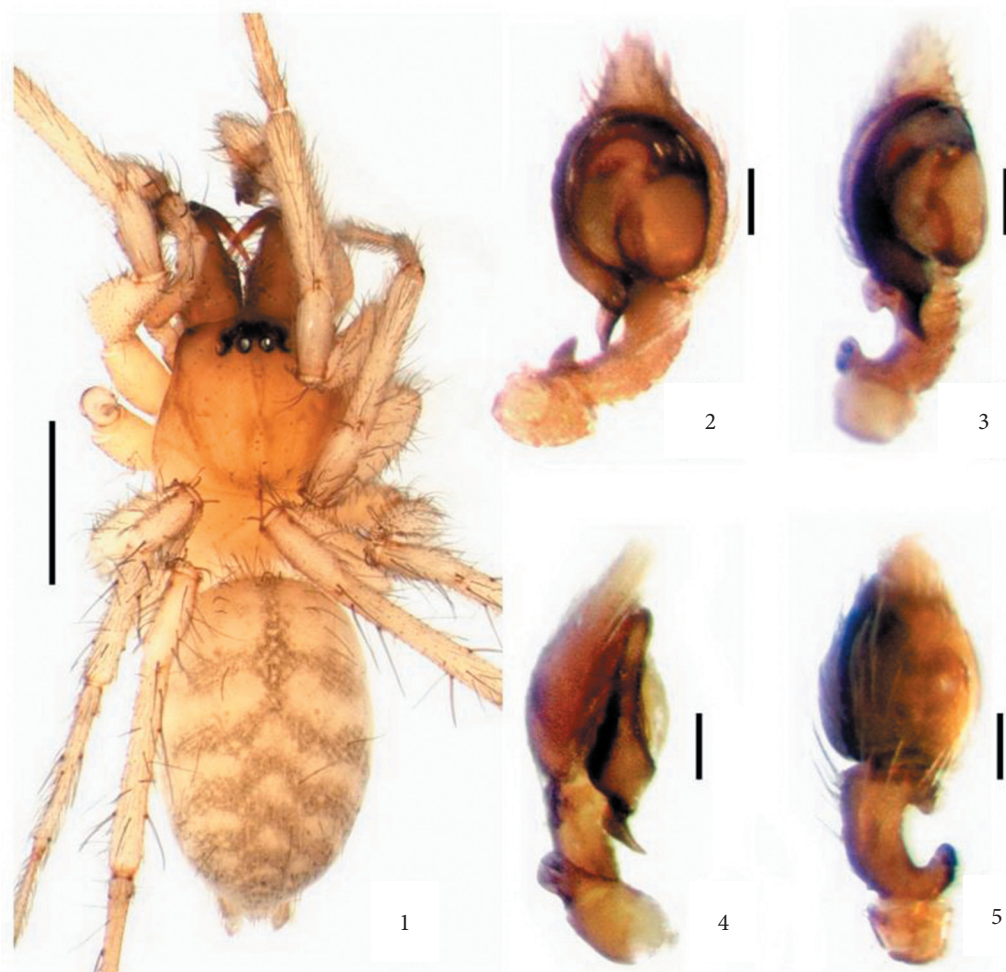
### Family Gnaphosidae

#### *Callilepis schuszteri* (Herman, 1879)

Material examined. Kharkiv Reg., 4 km E Krasnokutsk, young pine plantation, 23.05.–16.06.2019, 10 ♂, 2 ♀, (R. Honcharov); idem, bank of a bog, 23.05.–6.06.2019, 12 ♂, 1 ♀ (R. Honcharov); 3.8 km SEE Krasnokutsk, old pine forest, 16.06–4.07.2019, 4 ♂ (R. Honcharov).

Distribution. Widespread in Europe (Nentwig et al., 2021). Ukraine: Kyivske Polissia (Evtushenko, 1991), Kharkiv Reg. (first record). Further to the east occurs from West Siberia (Kemerovo) (Trilikauskas, 2013) to the Russian Far East (Mikhailov, 2013; WOS, 2021).

Note. First record from the Wood-and-Steppe zone of Ukraine and the easternmost known locality in the East European Plain.



Figs 1–5. *Devade tenella*: 1 — general appearance dorsal; *Dictyna sinuata*: male palp: 2 — ventral, 3 — ventral-prolateral, 4 — prolateral, 5 — dorsal. Scale bars: fig. 1 — 1 mm; figs. 2–5 — 0.1 mm.

***Drassyllus crimeaensis* Kovblyuk, 2003 (fig. 6)**

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., 1.7 km E Davydivka, sandy steppe, 07–24.06.2019, 1 ♀; 4.8 km NE Sheliuh, steppe slope on the lyman coast, 07–24.06.2019, 1 ♀; Syvashyk, saline marshes, 10–22.06.2019, 1 ♂, 1 ♀.

Distribution. North Macedonia, Greece, Turkey (European and Asian parts) (Nentwig et al., 2021); Russia (Rostov-on-Don Reg., Krasnodar Krai, Dagestan) (Ponomarev, 2008; Ponomarev et al., 2014, 2019); Azerbaijan (Mikhailov, 2013). Ukraine: AR Crimea: Lenino, Saky, Simferopol, Feodosiya, Yalta distr., Kerch (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. A record “Yalta, Donetsk Area” in Polchaninova & Prokopenko (2013) was excluded from the list of collecting localities due to loss of the material (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019). Hence, the present data are the first valid records from Left-Bank Ukraine.

***Gnaphosa ukrainica* Ovtsharenko, Platnick & Song, 1992**

Material examined. Kherson Reg., 500 m SSE Respublikanets, medium-height riverbank dominated by forbs, 15.06–3.07.2020, 1 ♀ (Iosypchuk); 3.9 km W Skadovsk, salt marshes, 24.07.–01.08.2019, 1 ♀ (Iosypchuk);

Zaporizhzhia Reg., 2 km E Davydivka, saline marshes, 07-24.06.2019, 32 ♂, 11 ♀; 4.8 km NE Sheliuhy, saline marshes, 07-24.06.2019, 31 ♂, 4 ♀.

**Distribution.** From Southern Ukraine to West Siberia (Novosibirsk Reg., Russia) (Azarkina et al., 2018), southward to Turkmenistan (Mikhailov, 2013) and Iran (Kerman Province) (Zamani & Marusik, 2018). Ukraine: Kherson Reg.: Heroiske, Novochoornomorya (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013), Respublikanets (Iosypchuk, 2019), Skadowsk (Iosypchuk et al., 2020); AR Crimea: Saky Distr. (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

**Note.** Heroiske Vill. (Kherson Reg.) is the westernmost known locality. Being abundant on saline marshes, the species has a highly patched distribution: viz., in the Pryazovslyi NNP, it was found in two localities out of five, although all of them host vast saline marshes.

***Marinarozelotes manychensis* (Ponomarev & Tsvetkov, 2006)\***

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., 1.5 km NNE Nove, saline marshes, 10-22.06.2019, 1 ♂, 1 ♀.

**Distribution.** Russia: Rostov-on-Don Reg., Stavropol Krai, Dagestan, Orenburg Reg. (Esyunin & Tuneva, 2020 (as *Trachyzelotes m.*); Ponomarev & Shmatko, 2020). Ukraine: Zaporizhzhia Reg. (**first record**).

**Note.** New to Ukraine. Nove Vill. is the westernmost known locality.

***Micaria bosmansi* Kovblyuk & Nadolny, 2008**

Material examined. Kherson Reg., 1 km. NW Respublikanets, secondary steppe in a shallow gully, 23.05-22.06.2019, 1 ♀ (Polchaninova & Iosypchuk); 500 m SSE Respublikanets, medium-height riverbank dominated by forbs, 15.06-3.07.2020, 1 ♂ (Iosypchuk); shrub thickets on the medium-height riverbank, 15.06-3.07.2020, 1 ♂ (Iosypchuk); 3.9 km NNW Novokairy, limestone slope, 17.06-3.07.2020, 1 ♂ (Iosypchuk); Zaporizhzhia Reg., 4.8 km NE Sheliuhy, steppe slope on the lyman coast, 07-24.06.2019, 1 ♀.

**Distribution.** From Ukraine (Iosypchuk 2019; Polchaninova et al., 2021) and Niğde Province of Turkey (Demir et al., 2015) to the Orenburg Reg. of Russia (Esyunin & Tuneva, 2020). Ukraine: Dnipropetrovsk Reg.: Kryvyi Rih (Polchaninova et al., 2021); Luhansk Reg.: Striltsivka, Triokhizbenka (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013); Kherson Reg.: Respublikanets (Iosypchuk, 2019); AR Crimea: Sevastopol, Feodosiya, Yalta distr.; Tarkhankut peninsula (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015; Nadolny, 2020); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

**Note.** Novokairy Vill. (Kherson Reg.) and Kryvyi Rih Town (Dnipropetrovsk Reg.) are the westernmost known localities.

***Micaria coarctata* (Lucas, 1846) (figs 8, 13-14)**

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., 1.7 km E Davydivka, sandy steppe, 07-24.06.2019, 3 ♂.

**Distribution.** From Southwestern Europe and Northwestern Africa to the Russian Far East (Mikhailov, 2013; Nentwig et al., 2021; WOS, 2021). Ukraine: AR Crimea: Saky, Feodosiya distr.; Tarkhankut peninsula (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015; Nadolny, 2020); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

**Note.** First record from the East European Plain, first record from Left-Bank Ukraine. The collecting locality lies on the northern boundary of the species range.

***Talanites strandi* Spassky, 1940**

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., 1.7 E Davydivka, sandy steppe, 07-24.06.2019, 3 ♂; 1.3 km E Nove, abandoned field, 10-22.06.2019, 1 ♂; 5 km W Stepanivka, mesic saline meadow, 8-23.06.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. From Southern Ukraine (Kovblyk & Kastrygina, 2015) to Western Kazakhstan (Piterkina & Ovtcharenko, 2009). Ukraine: AR Crimea: Sudak, Feodosiya distr.; Tarkhankut peninsula (Kovblyk & Kastrygina, 2015; Nadolny, 2020); Donetsk Reg.: Amvrosievka (Spassky, 1940); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. This is the second record from mainland Ukraine since the species description in 1940.

***Turkozelotes kazachstanicus*** (Ponomarev et Tsvetkov, 2006)\* (figs. 9–10)

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., Syvashyk, saline marshes, 10–22.06.2019, 1 ♂, 1 ♀.

Distribution. Russia: Rostov-on-Don Reg. (Ponomarev & Dvadnenko, 2011 as *T. mirandus*). Kazakhstan: Atyrau and Kostanay reg. Azerbaijan: Nakhchivan AR (Ponomarev et al., 2021). Iran: Ilam Province (Zamani et al., 2018 as *T. mirandus*). Ukraine (**first record**): Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. A saline marshes specialist. Syvashyk bay shore is the westernmost known locality.

***Zelotes atrocaeruleus*** (Simon, 1878)\*

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., Syvashyk, saline marshes, 10.05.–06 June 2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. From France and Spain (Nentwig et al., 2021) to Northeastern Kazakhstan (Mikhailov, 2013) and Xinjiang Province of China ((Li & Lin, 2016). Ukraine (**first record**): Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

***Zelotes erebeus*** (Thorell, 1871) (fig. 7)

Material examined. Donetsk Reg., 800 m E Bohorodychne, open pine forest on a chalk hill, 09.09.–03.10.2019, 6 ♂.

Distribution. The species is distributed in Central and Western Europe (Rozwałka et al., 2016; Nentwig et al., 2021). In the East European Plain, it is known from several localities detached from the main range. Russia: Mari-El Republic (Matveev et al., 2003), Samara Reg. (Krasnobayev, 2007). Ukraine: Zakarpattia Reg.: Mala Uholka (Prokopenko et al., 2014); Cherkassy Reg.: (as Middle Dnipro region in Singaevsky, 2014); Donetsk Reg. (first record).

Note. First record from Left-Bank Ukraine.

***Zelotes prishutovae*** Ponomarev & Tsvetkov, 2006 (figs 11–12)

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., Syvashyk, saline marshes, 10–22.06.2019, 1 ♂; 5 km W Stepanivka, mesic saline meadow, 10–22.06.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. Greece (Senglet, 2011); South of European Russia: Rostov-on-Don and Volgograd reg., Stavropol Province (Ponomarev & Khnykin, 2013; Ponomarev, 2017; Ponomarev et al., 2017 a, b). Ukraine: AR Crimea: Feodosiya (Kovblyuk et al., 2009 as *Camillina metellus* (Roewer, 1928). According to Senglet (2011), the Crimean individual belongs to *Z. prishutovae*; Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. The northern boundary of the species range runs along the northern coast of the Sea of Azov. First record from Left-Bank Ukraine.

***Zelotes puritanus*** Chamberlin, 1922\*

Material examined. Kharkiv Reg., 4 km E Krasnokutsk, young pine plantation, 23.05.–16.06.2019, 2 ♂, 1 ♀ (R. Honcharov); idem, bank of a bog, 23.05.–16.06.2019, 1 ♀ (R. Honcharov); idem, 16.06.–4.07.2019, 1 ♂, 10 ♀ (R. Honcharov).

Distribution. Circumholarctic disjunctive range (WSC, 2020). Ukraine (**first record**): Kharkiv Reg.

*Zelotes pseudogallicus* Ponomarev, 2007 (figs 15-18)

Material examined. Donetsk Reg., 2 km SW Kryva Luka, bottom of a shallow gully with trees, 06.05.-02.06.2019, 1 ♂; 2 km NE Kryva Luka, top of a chalk hill with sparse vegetation, 06.05.-02.06.2019, 1 ♀; idem, edge of the *Caragana* thickets on a chalk hill, 06.05.-02.06.2019, 1 ♀.

Distribution. From Eastern Ukraine (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2017) to West Siberia (Tobolsk Reg., Russia; Kostanay Reg., Kazakhstan) (Ponomarev & Shmatko, 2019). Ukraine: Lugansk Reg.: Krynychne, Shchastia (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013, 2017); Donetsk Reg.: Sviatohirsk (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2017).

Note. Kryva Luka Vill. and Sviatohirsk Town are the westernmost known localities.

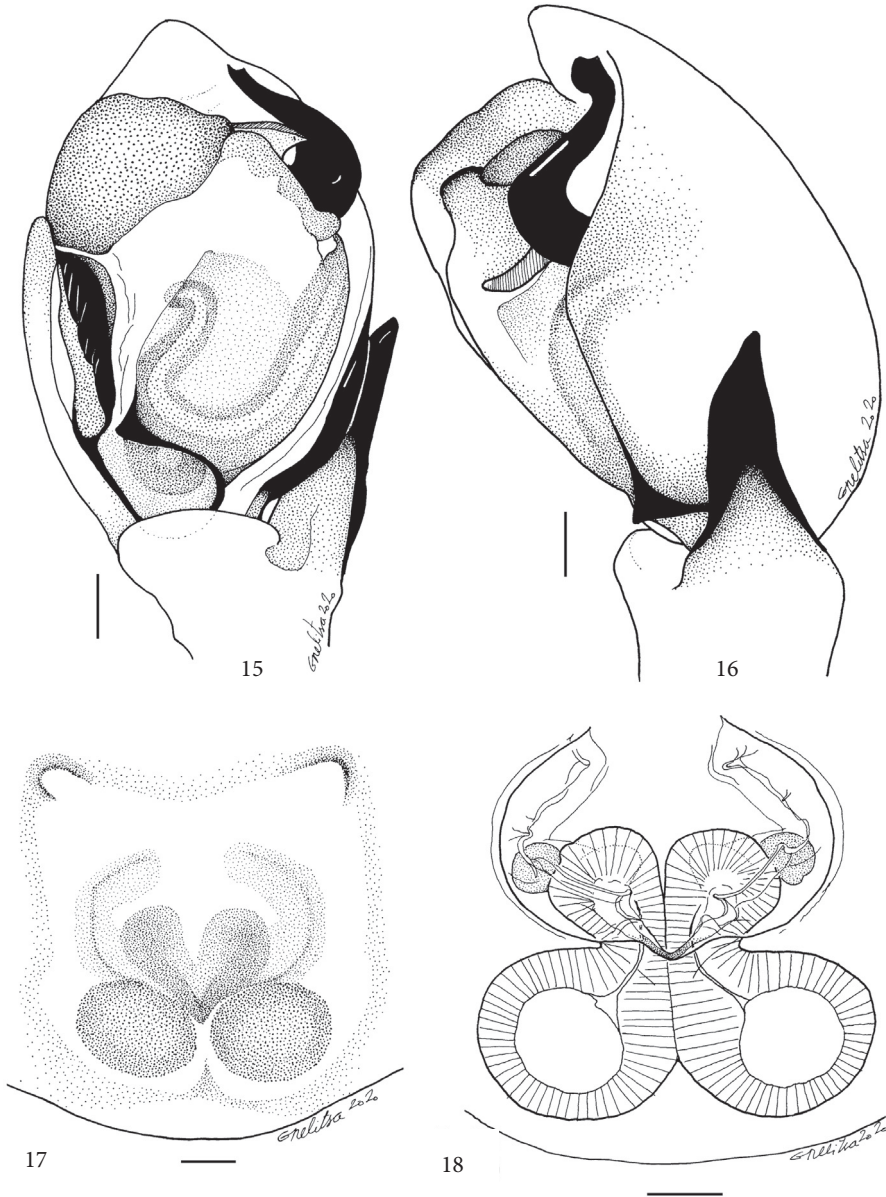


Figs 6-14. *Drassyllus crimeaensis*: 6 — epigyne ventral; *Zelotes erebeus*: 7 — epigyne ventral; *Micaria coarctata*: 8 — carapace dorsal, male palp: 13 — ventral, 14 — retrolateral; *Turkozelotes kazachstanicus*: male palp: 9 — ventral, 10 — retrolateral; *Zelotes prishutovae* male palp: 11 — ventral, 12 — retrolateral. Scale bars: fig. 8 — 1 mm; figs. 6-7, 9-14 — 0.1 mm.

**Family Linyphiidae**  
***Sintula spiniger* (Balogh, 1935)**

Material examined. Donetsk Reg., 1 km NW Kryva Luka, top of a chalk hill with sparse vegetation, 08.09.-10.10.2019, 1 ♀.

Distribution. From the Czech Republic and Austria to the South of European Russia (Rostov-on-Don Reg.) (Ponomarev, 2017; Nentwig et al., 2021). Ukraine: Kyiv Reg.: Kyiv (Singaevsky & Balan, 2010), Kyiv (Pushcha Vodytsia), Kopachiv (Gnelitsa, 2012); Lugansk Reg.: Stanytsia-Luhanska Distr., Luhansk Natural Reserve (Gnelitsa, 2012; Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013); Donetsk Reg. (first record).



Figs 15–18. *Zelotes pseudogallicus*: male palp: 15 — ventral, 16 — retrolateral; 17 — epigyne ventral, 18 — vulva. Scale bars 0.1 mm.



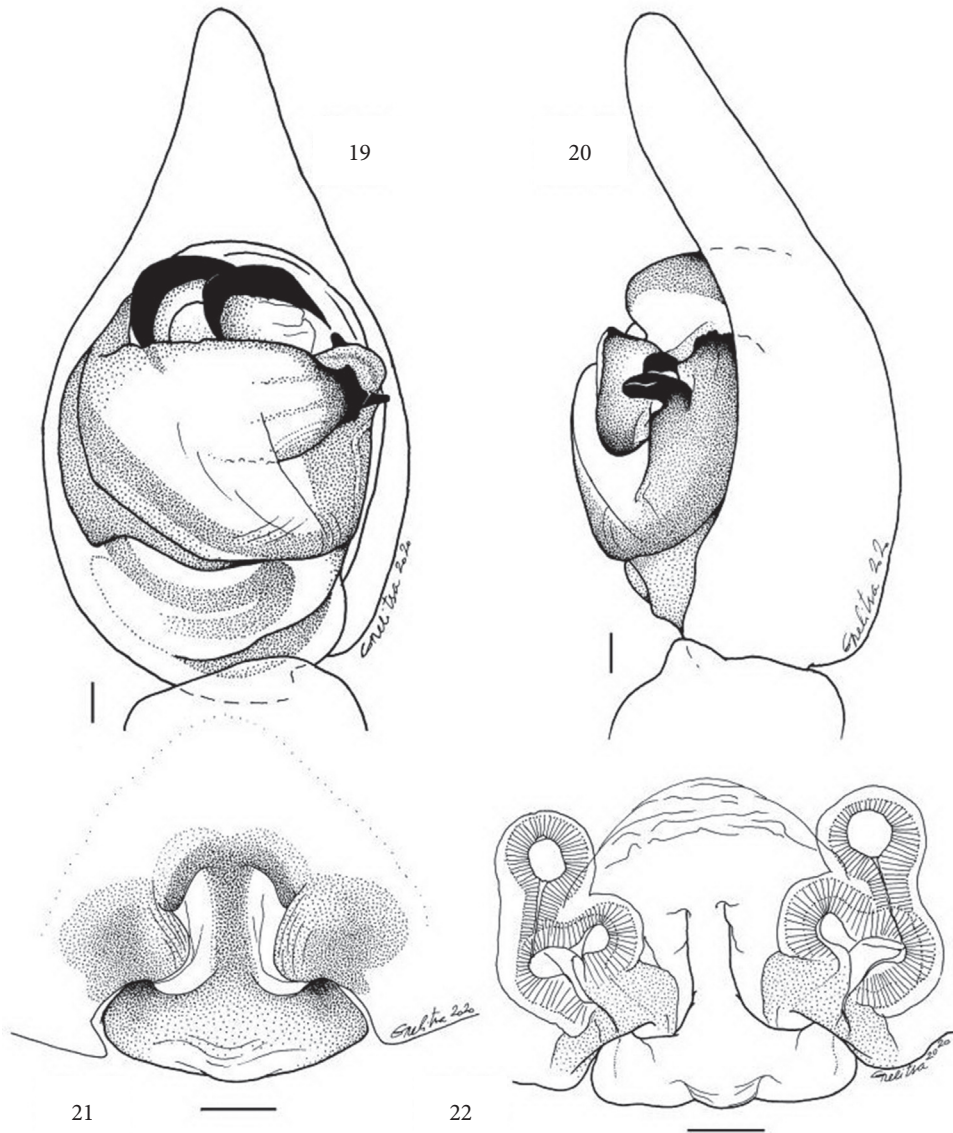
**Family Lycosidae**

***Alopecosa inquilina* (Clerck, 1757)**

Material examined. Kharkiv Reg., 4 km E Krasnokutsk, young pine plantation, 23.05–16.06.2019, 1 ♀ (R. Honcharov); idem, 04.07.–10.08.2019, 2 ♀ (R. Honcharov).

Distribution. Transeurasian species (WOS, 2021). Ukraine: Chernivtsi Reg. (as Bukovina in Roşca, 1937); Zakarpatska Reg. (Polozhentsev & Akimtseva, 1980); Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk Reg. (Legotay & Tarasyuk, 1964); Kharkiv Reg. (first valid record).

Note. The following records were excluded as doubtful from the regional lists due to lack of collection material. Kharkiv Reg.: Chervona Khvyliya; Kherson Reg.: Lower Dnipro (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013); AR Crimea: Simferopol (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015). Thus, this is the first valid record from Left-Bank Ukraine.



Figs 19–22. *Alopecosa steppica*: male palp: 19 — ventral, 20 — retrolateral; 21 — epigyne ventral, 22 — vulva. Scale bars 0.1 mm.

***Alopocosa steppica*** Ponomarev, 2007 (fig 19–23)

Material examined. Donetsk Reg., 800 m SW Kryva Luka, pine forest on a chalk hill, 02.06–05.07.2019, 2 ♂; idem, 02.06–05.07.2019, 13 ♀; 1.3 km NE Kryva Luka, steep slope of a chalky riverbank, 02.06–05.07.2019, 3 ♂, 5 ♀; 2 km NE Kryva Luka, top of a bare chalk hill, 06.05.–02.06.2019, 25 ♂, 5 ♀; idem, 02.06–05.07.2019, 2 ♀; idem, edge of the *Caragana* thickets on a chalk hill, 06.05.–02.06.2019, 2 ♂, 1 ♀, 02.06–05.07.2019, 1 ♀.

Distribution. From Eastern Ukraine (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019) to Northern Kazakhstan (Kostanay Reg.) (Ponomarev et al., 2017 b) and southward to the Caspian Sea coast within Dagestan (Russia) (Ponomarev et al., 2011). Ukraine: Donetsk Reg. (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019): Dronivka, Saur-Mohyla (E. Prokopenko pers. comm.).

Note. The three known localities in Ukraine outline the western limit of the species range.

***Arctosa figurata*** (Simon, 1876)

Material examined. Kharkiv Reg., 4 km E Krasnokutsk, bank of a bog, 23.05.–16.06.2019, 2 ♂.

Distribution. European species (Nentwig et al., 2021; WOS, 2021). Ukraine: Chernivtsi Reg.: Chernivtsi, Koroviya (Roşca, 1930), as Bucovina in Roşca, 1936; Lviv Reg.: Chervone, Stinka, Holohirky (Hirna, 2014), Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk Reg. (Legotay & Tarasyuk, 1964); Zhytomyr Reg.: Polissia Nature Reserve (Guryanova, 1989); Kharkiv Reg. (first record).

Note. First record from Left-Bank Ukraine.

***Piratula uliginosa*** (Thorell, 1856)

Material examined. Kharkiv Reg., 4 km E Krasnokutsk, bank of a bog, 23.05.–16.06.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. Europe (Nentwig et al., 2021), West Siberia (Mikhailov, 2013). Ukraine: Chernivtsi Reg.: as Bukovina in Koch, 1870; Lviv Reg.: Roztochchia, Kniazhe, Chervone (Petrusewicz, 1938), Rava-Ruska (Nowicki, 1870); Zhytomyr Reg.: Polissia Nature Reserve (Guryanova, 1989); Volyn Reg.: Shatskyi NNP (Evtushenko, 2013); Rivne Reg.: Bushcha (Hirna, 2015); Kyiv and Chernihiv reg: Chernihivske Polissia (Pochaninova & Prokopenko, 2013); Kharkiv Reg. (first record).

**Family Mimetidae*****Ero koreana*** Paik, 1967

Material examined. Donetsk Reg., 2 km NE Kryva Luka, edge of the *Caragana* thickets on a chalk hill, 02.06.–05.07.2019, 1 ♂; Zaporizhzhia Reg., Syvashyk, saline marshes, 10–22.06.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. From Ukraine (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019) to Japan (WOS, 2021). Ukraine: Dnipropetrovsk Reg.: Kryvyi Rih (Evtushenko & Isupova, 2013), Dnipro (Pochaninova & Prokopenko, 2013); Donetsk Reg.: Siedove (Pochaninova & Prokopenko, 2013, 2017); Mykolaiv Reg.: Yelanets Distr. (Polchaninova, 2021); (Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. Kryva Luka Vill. (Donetsk Reg.) is located on the northern boundary of the species range; Yelanetskyi Steppe Natural Reserve in Mykolaiv Reg. (Polchaninova, 2021) is the westernmost known locality.

**Family Philodromidae*****Thanatus mongolicus*** (Schenkel, 1936)

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., 2 km E Davydivka, saline marshes, 10–24.06.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. From Southern Ukraine (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013; Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015) to Hebei Province of China (Song et al., 2001). Ukraine: AR Crimea: Saky Distr. (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015); Kherson Reg.: Rybalche (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013); Donetsk Reg. (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019): Siedove (E. Prokopenko, pers. comm.); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. Rybalche Vill. (Kherson Reg.) is the westernmost known locality. The northern boundary of the European part of the species range runs along the northern coasts of the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov to the Ergeni Upland.

### Family Salticidae

#### *Pellenes allegrii* Caporiacco, 1935

Material examined. Kherson Reg., 1.2 km NNE Respublikanets, high riverbank dominated by forbs, 23.05.-22.06.2019, 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (Polchaninova & Iosypchuk); 500 m SSE Respublikanets, medium-height riverbank dominated by forbs, 23.05.-22.06.2019, 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (Polchaninova & Iosypchuk).

Distribution. From Southern Ukraine (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019; Iosypchuk, 2019) to Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan (Mikhailov, 2013), Northern India and Pakistan (Caporiacco, 1935). Ukraine: Donetsk Reg. (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019): Siedove, Bilosaraiska spit (E. Prokopenko, pers. data); Kherson Reg.: Respublikanets (Iosypchuk, 2019).

Note. Respublikanets Vill. (Kherson Reg.) is the westernmost known locality.

### Family Theridiidae

#### *Neottiura suaveolens* (Simon, 1879)

Material examined. Donetsk Reg., 1.3 km NE Kryva Luka, edge of the *Caragana* thickets on a chalk hill, 31.05.2019, 1 ♀.

Distribution. Europe (Nentwig et al., 2021), Caucasus (North Georgia) (Ponomarev & Komarov, 2015), South Urals (Esyunin & Efimik, 1996), South CisUrals (Orenburg Reg.) (Esyunin et al., 2007). Ukraine: Khmelnytsk Reg.: Panivtsi (Guryanova, 2003); Mykolaiv Reg.: Kurypchine (Polchaninova et al., 2017); Kharkiv Reg. (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019); Zelenyi Hai (N. Polchaninova pers. data); Luhansk Reg.: Krynychne, Horodyshe (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013); Donetsk Reg. (first record).

Note. Only five localities are known in the East European Plain (all in Ukraine); the South Urals and CisUrals are the areas detached from the main species range (Esyunin & Efimik, 1996; Esyunin et al., 2007).

### Family Thomisidae

#### *Bassanioides caperatus* (Simon, 1875) (figs 24–28, 32–33)

Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg., 4.8 km NE Sheliuhy, sandy steppe with clamshells, 07–24.06.2019, 1 ♂; 1.5 km NEE Nove, grazed abandoned field, 10–22.06.2019, 1 ♀; idem, saline marshes, 10–22.06.2019, 1 ♀.

Distribution. From Spain (Nentwig et al., 2021) to Southern European Russia (Krasnodar Krai) (Spassky, 1937). Ukraine: AR Crimea: Saky, Sevastopol, Simferopol, Sudak, Feodosiya, Yalya distr; Tarkhankut (Kovblyuk & Kastygina, 2015; Nadolny, 2020); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. The record “Khorly, Kherson Area” requires verification (see Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2017); therefore, the material from Zaporizhzhia Region is the first valid record from Left-Bank Ukraine. The northern boundary of the species range runs along the northern coast of the Sea of Azov.

#### *Heriaeus horridus* Tyschchenko, 1965 (figs 27–28, 34)

Material examined. Kherson Reg., 1.85 km SW Shyroka Balka, loess slope, 10.06–3.07.2020, 3 ♂ (Iosypchuk); Zaporizhzhia Reg., 1.7 km E Davydivka, sandy steppe, 07–24.06.2019, 1 ♂; 2 km E Davydivka, saline marshes, 07–24.06.2019, 1 ♂; 1.5 km Nove, saline marshes, 10–22.06.2019, 15 ♂; 1.3 km E Nove, grazed abandoned field, 10–22.06.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. From Southern Ukraine to West Siberia and East Kazakhstan (Mikhailov, 2013), southward to Northern India (Uttharakhand State) (Tikader, 1980). Ukraine: AR Crimea: Tarkhankut peninsula (Nadolny, 2020); Kherson and Zaporizhzhia reg. (first records).

Note. First record from mainland Ukraine. Shyroka Balka vill. in Kherson Region is the westernmost known locality.

***Ozyptila lugubris*** (Thorell, 1875) (figs. 29–30)

Material examined. Donetsk Reg., 800 m SW Kryva Luka, bare chalk slope, 08.09.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. From Southern Ukraine (Deli, 2012) to Eastern Kazakhstan; south to the Caucasus and Turkey (Marusik & Mikhailov, 2021). Ukraine: Odesa Reg.: Lover Danube region (Deli, 2012 as *O. lugubris*); AR Crimea: Saki, Sevastopol, Simferopol, Sudak, Feodosiya, Yalta distr. (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015 as *O. lugubris*); Donetsk Reg. (first record).

Note. First record from Left-Bank Ukraine.

***Xysticus mongolicus*** Schenkel, 1963 (fig. 24)

Material examined. Donetsk Reg., 1.3 km NE Kryva Luka, edge of the *Caragana* thickets on a chalk hill, 08.09.-10.10.2019, 1 ♂.

Distribution. From Serbia (Nentwig et al., 2021) to China (Inner Mongolia) (Song, et al., 1999). Ukraine: Kharkiv Reg.: Kytsivka, Krasne Pershe; Dnipropetrovsk Reg.: Obukhivka (as Kirovske); Kherson Reg.: Novochnomorya (Polchaninova, 2013, 2019; Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013, 2017); Luhansk Reg. (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019): Stanytsia-Luhanska Distr., 'Pryazovska Poima' department of the Luhansk Natural Reserve (E. Prokopenko pers. data); Donetsk Reg. (first record).

Note. Kharkiv Region lies on the northern boundary of the species range.

**Family Titanoecidae**

***Titanoeca ukrainica*** Guryanova, 1992

Material examined. Kherson Reg., 1.2 km NNE Respublikanets, high clayey riverbank dominated by *Galatella villosa* (L.) Rchb. f. 1853, 23.05-22.06.2019, 2 ♂ (Polchaninova & Iosypchuk).

Distribution. From Southern Ukraine (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015) to Southern European Russia (Rostov-on-Don Reg.) (Ponomarev, 2017). Ukraine: Kherson Reg.: Askania-Nova (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2013, 2019), Respublikanets (Iosypchuk, 2019); AR Crimea: Simferopol Distr.; Tarkhankut peninsula (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015; Nadolny, 2020).

Note. Respublikanets Vill. (Kherson Reg.) lies on the northern boundary of the species range.

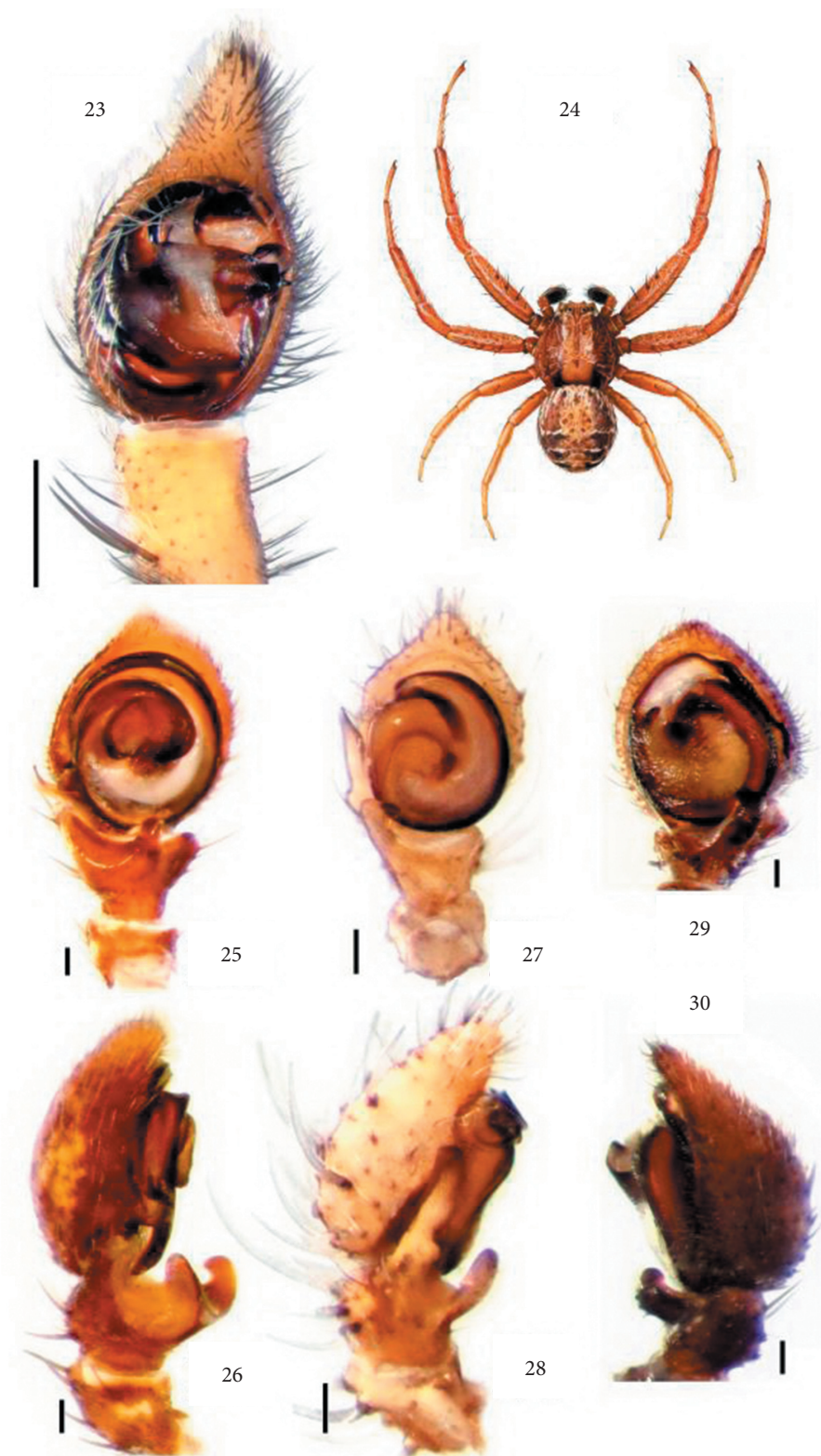
**Family Zodariidae**

***Zodarion morozum*** Denis, 1935

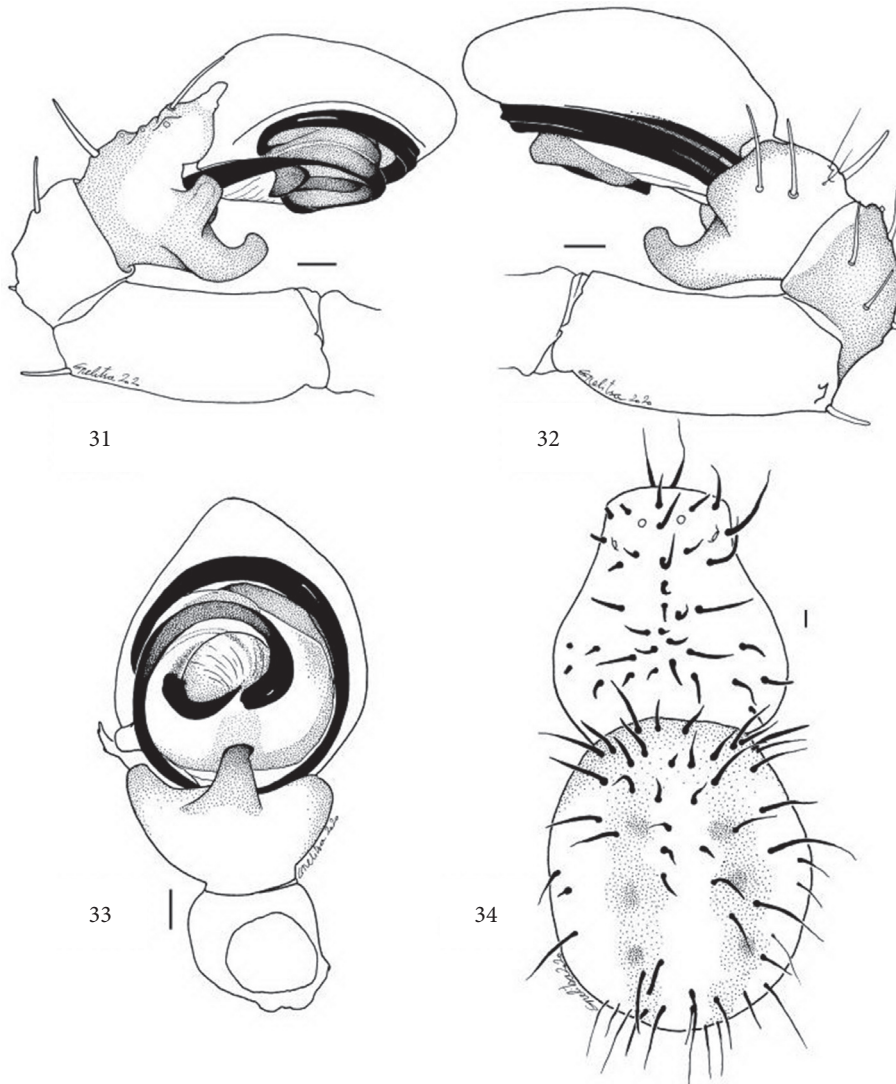
Material examined. Zaporizhzhia Reg.: 5 km W Stepanivka, mesic saline meadow, 08-23.06.2019, 2 ♂.

Distribution. Albania, North Macedonia, Greece, Bulgaria, Turkey (Nentwig et al., 2021), South of European Russia (from the coast of the Sea of Azov to the western coast of the Caspian Sea) (Ponomarev et al., 2011; Ponomarev & Dvadnenko, 2012). Ukraine: Odesa Reg.: Lover Danube region (Deli, 2012); AR Crimea: Bakhchysarai, Lenino, Saky, Sevastopol, Simferopol, Feodosiya, Yalta distr.; Tarkhankut peninsula (Kovblyuk & Kastrygina, 2015; Nadolny, 2020); Zaporizhzhia Reg. (first record).

Note. First record from Left-Bank Ukraine. The northern boundary of the species range runs through the coastal areas of the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov.



Figs 23–30. *Alopecosa steppica*: male palp: 23 — ventral; *Xysticus mongolicus*: 24 — general appearance dorsal (after Polchaninova 2013, drawing by V. Timokhanov); *Bassanioides caperatus*: male palp: 25 — ventral, 26 — retrolateral; *Heriaeus horridus*: male palp: 27 — ventral, 28 — retrolateral; *Ozyptila tuberosa*: male palp: 29 — ventral, 30 — retrolateral. Scale bars 0.1 mm.



Figs 31–34. *Bassaniooides caperatus*: male palp: 31 — retrolateral, 32 — prolateral, 33 — ventral; *Heriaeus horridus*: 34 — general appearance dorsal. Scale bars 0.1 mm.

## Discussion

Out of 31 species listed in this paper, the four are new to Ukraine: *Zelotes atrocaeruleus*, *Marinarozelotes manychensis* and *Turkozolotes kazachstanicus* were collected in the south of Zaporizhzhia Region, while *Zelotes puritanus* in the north of Kharkiv Region. Nine species (*Clubiona genevensis*, *Dictyna sinuata*, *Micaria coarctata*, *Zelotes erebeus*, *Zelotes prishutovae*, *Arctosa figurata*, *Heriaeus horridus*, *Ozyptila tuberosa*, and *Zodarion morozum*) were recorded for the first time from Left-Bank Ukraine. For *Heriaeus horridus*, this is the first record from mainland Ukraine. Three species (*Drassyllus crimeaensis*, *Bassaniooides caperatus* and *Alopecosa inquilina*) were previously excluded from the list of spiders of Left-Bank Ukraine due to the lost of collection material (Polchaninova & Prokopenko, 2019). Now they are restored, since new data proved their occurrence. Accounting new records, 1081 spider species are currently known in the Ukrainian fauna, and 757 species in the fauna of Left-Bank Ukraine. The regional lists were replenished with four species

in Donetsk Region, seven species in Kharkiv Region, one species in Kherson Region, and 15 species in Zaporizhzhia Region.

Our research outlines new boundaries of *Marinarozelotes manychensis* and *Turkozolotes kazachstanicus*, distribution and expand them to the west of Rostov-on-Don Region (Russia) to Zaporizhzhia Region (Ukraine). *Micaria coarctata* is recorded from the East European Plain for the first time; the occurrence of *Drassyllus crimeaensis* and *Bassanioides caperatus* was confirmed for the coastal areas of the south of the East European Plain.

We have clarified distribution limits of some species inhabiting European steppes and saline marshes. The northern boundary of *Zodarion morozum* range runs along the the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov northern coasts. Some Central-Asian species (*Devade tenella*, *Thanatus mongolicus*, *Xysticus mongolicus*) have western limits of their distribution in the left-bank part of the Lower Dnipro region. Some species are spread from the Crimea and the northwestern coast of the Sea of Azov to West Kazakhstan (*Talanites strandi*) or to South Siberia and Turkmenistan (*Gnaphosa ukrainica*). The known range of *Heriaeus horridus* stretches from the right-bank of the Dnipro estuary to Eastern Kazakhstan and Northern India. *Alopecosa steppica* and *Zelotes pseudogallicus* ranges are delimited by Eastern Ukraine in the west and by West Siberia (Kostanay Reg. of Kazakhstan and/or Tyumen Reg. of Russia) in the east. Interestingly, the Pryazovskiy National Park gave a number of unexpected records, although the spider faunas of the Azov Sea coast on the Bilosaraiska spit (Donetsk Region) and the Black Sea coast on the Kinburn peninsula (Kherson Region) situated east and west of Zaporizhzhia Region had been studied well (Polchaninova, 2012; Ponomarev et al., 2016).

Investigation of the bogs and pine forests in the Slobzhanskyi National Park in the north of Kharkiv Region gave records of another group of species with Transpalearctic (*Alopecosa inquilina*), disjunctive (*Callilepis shutzeri*), European-West Siberian (*Pardosa uliginosa*), and European (*Arctosa figurata*) ranges. Their typical habitats are forests, floodplain meadows, wetlands and, in case of *A. figurata* (Polchaninova, 2020), meadow steppes. They were found in the Wood-and-Steppe zone of Left-Bank Ukraine for the first time.

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