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community groups of water bugs specified in the biotic classification of spring habitats are much better defined than the assemblages separated in the environmental site classification.

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Spatial variability in morphology of Y chromosome in bank vole, *Myodes* glareolus (Mammalia, Rodentia) in Serbia

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Although polymorphism of the Y chromosome in bank vole, *Myodes glareoulus*, is a phenomenon known for more than 40 years, few studies just pointing to the presence of different types of Y chromosome, have been done since. Total of 113 males have been caught by live traps at 8 localities from Serbia. Chromosome preparations were done from bone marrow and karyotypes were analyzed for the presence of different types of Y chromosome. Two types of Y, metacentric and acrocentric, were detected. Metacentric Y was prevalent (62.83%). Additionally, differential cytogenetic staining was done to obtain further information about differences between noticed types of Y. In order to check is there any dependence of variation in frequencies of metacentric Y and geographic parameters (latitude and longitude) multiple regression analysis was done. Coefficient of regression was significant ($R^2 = 0.589$; $F_{(2.5)} = 6.021$, p < 0.046) but only latitude showed negative significant correlation with frequency of metacentric Y. Its frequency is increasing from North to South in a range from 0.11 to 1.0.

Keywords: polymorphism, metacentric Y, longitude, latitude

Non-traumatic method for individual identification of Vipera ammodytes

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This study describes a method for individual identification of *Vipera ammodytes*. Individual identification of the animals is a key factor for clarification of many ecological aspects of the species, such as population density, life histories, home range, etc. Five polygons were chosen along the southnorth gradient of the species distribution in Bulgaria. They were explored monthly between 2013 and 2016, during the active period of the animals. The captured animals were marked with a color pen and were photographed. A total of 264 vipers were captured. Forty (15.15%) of them were positively identified at least once. We successfully identified snakes 54 times, excluding daily resightings. The