

A Review of Oribatid Mites of the Family Liacaridae (Acariformes, Oribatida) from the Caucasus

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Abstract—The paper summarizes the data on oribatid mites of the family Liacaridae and their distribution in the Caucasus. Two new species, *Liacarus subiasi* from Azerbaijan (differing from the known species in the shape of cuspids and short lamellae) and *Dorycranosus musaevi* from Daghestan (differing from closely related *D. splendens* (Coggi, 1898) and *D. punctulatus* Miheličič, 1956 in the presence of the smooth notogaster, wide distal lamellar cuspids, and also in the absence of inner cuspid tooth and the presence of longer ventral setae), are described. The species status of *D. punctulatus* is reestablished. *Liacarus lencoranicus* Krivolutsky, 1967 and *L. nitidulus* Krivolutsky, 1967 are synonymized with *L. coracinus* C.L. Koch, 1898. *D. zachvatkini* Kuliev, 1962 (= *D. ibericus* Dzaparidze, 1973) is redescribed. Data on species variability of *Adoristes poppei* (Oudemans, 1906) and *A. ovatus* Koch, 1849 are given.

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