

New records of the millipede genus *Schizoturanius* Verhoeff, 1931 from Asian Russia (Diplopoda: Polydesmida: Polydesmidae)

Новые находки двупарноногих многоножек рода *Schizoturanius* Verhoeff, 1931 из азиатской части России (Diplopoda: Polydesmida: Polydesmidae)

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ABSTRACT. Detailed records of *Schizoturanius dmitriewi* (Timotheew, 1897) from the Asian part of Russia with new ones from the Republic of Altai, as well as the easternmost records of *S. tabescens* (Stuxberg, 1876) from the Irkutsk Area are provided. The main differences in gonopodal structure between the closely related *S. dmitriewi* and *S. clavatipes* (Stuxberg, 1876) are shown. Spatial relationships between all these three species of *Schizoturanius* are briefly discussed. The distributions of all *Schizoturanius* species encountered are mapped. A key to all known species of the genus from Asian Russia is given.

РЕЗЮМЕ. Приведены подробные находки *Schizoturanius dmitriewi* (Timotheew, 1897) из азиатской части России с новыми данными из Республики Алтай, а также самые восточные находки *S. tabescens* (Stuxberg, 1876) из Иркутской области. Показаны основные отличия строения гоноподов у близкородственных *S. dmitriewi* и *S. clavatipes* (Stuxberg, 1876). Кратко обсуждены пространственные взаимоотношения, сложившиеся между этими тремя видами *Schizoturanius*. Для всех включённых в настоящую статью видов *Schizoturanius* выполнено картирование ареалов. Составлен ключ для всех известных из азиатской части России видов этого рода.

Introduction

The polydesmid genus *Schizoturanius* Verhoeff, 1931 is presently known to comprise eight species, almost all being confined to Central Asia [Mikhailjova, 2017]. Only one species, *S. dmitriewi* (Timotheew, 1897), originally described from eastern Ukraine [Timotheew, 1897], later recorded from much of Ukraine and southern Russia [Lokshina, 1966], considered sub-endemic to the forested steppe belt of the Russian Plain [Golovatch, 1984, 1992] or strictly endemic to the Plain's areas lying between the Dnepr (= Dnieper) and Don rivers [Wytwer *et al.*, 2009], has recently been found in Asian Russia [Krugova, Nefediev, 2018; Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2018]. Detailed new records of *S. dmitriewi* allow for both the distribution area of this species to be refined and the main differences in its gonopodal structure from congeners to be clarified.

Material and methods

SEM micrographs were prepared at the Laboratory of Phylogeny and Faunogenesis, Institute of Systematics and Ecology of Animals, Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibirsk, Russia (ISEA), using a Hitachi TM-1000 scanning electron

microscope, as well as at the Laboratory of Aquatic Ecology, Institute for Water and Environmental Problems, Siberian Branch, Russian Academy of Sciences, Barnaul, Russia (IWEP), using a Hitachi S-3400N scanning electron microscope. Mounts for SEM were made through air-drying, mounting on stubs, and coating with platinum (in IWEP only). SEM material was removed from stubs and returned to alcohol after examination. Digital images were prepared with the help of Helicon Focus 6 image stacking software. The distribution maps were composed using QGIS 3.6.1-Noosa.

The material treated herein has been deposited mainly in the collection of the Altai State University, Barnaul, Russia (ASU), partly shared also with the collection of the Zoological Museum of the Lomonosov Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia (ZMUM). Literature references to the species concern only their distribution areas in the Asian part of Russia.

Gonopod terminology follows that accepted in Golovatch [2014, 2015].

Abbreviations used: s.l. — same locality, s.s. — soil samples, p.t. — pitfall traps, h.s. — hand sampling, TSNR — Tigirek State Nature Reserve, J.N. — J.S. Nefedieva, Kh.N. — Kh.Kh. Nedoev, P.N. — P.S. Nefediev, S.N. — S.T. Niyazov, T.K. — T.M. Krugova, V.S. — V.Yu. Slatina, Yu.D. — Yu.V. Dyachkov (all Barnaul, Russia), V.G. — V.I. Gusarov, M.M. — M.F. Maurstad, V.L. — V. Løveng (all Oslo, Norway).

Taxonomic part

Class Diplopoda

Family POLYDESMIDAE

Schizoturanium dmitriewi (Timotheew, 1897)

Figs 1–2, 4, 6, 8.

non *Turanodesmus dmitriewi* (sic!) — Byzova, Chadaeva, 1965: 337. *Schizoturanium clavatipes* — Nefediev et al., 2017: 13; 2018: 228. *Schizoturanium clavatipes* pro parte — Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2017: 292. *Schizoturanium dmitriewi* — Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2018: 142; Krugova, Nefediev, 2018: 117.

MATERIAL EXAMINED. 1 ♀ (ASU), Russia, **Altai Province**, Zmeinogorsk District, TSNR, Beloretsk site, right bank in mouth of Glukharikha River, left bank of Belaya River, 51°00,188'N, 82°45,812'E, upper part of W slope, chern taiga, 600 m a.s.l., p.t., 29.VI.2014; 2 ♀♀ (ASU), same locality, p.t., 20–28.VIII.2014; 2 ♂♂ (ASU), near s.l., 51°00'13.65'N, 82°45'46.16'E, W slope, chern taiga (mainly *Abies sibirica*), ca. 545 m a.s.l., p.t., 13–28.VIII.2015; 4 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (ASU), near s.l., TSNR, buffer zone, 51.000014°N, 82.750219°E, lower part of W slope, ca. 560 m a.s.l., p.t., 3–9.VI.2014; 1 ♀ (ASU), s.l., p.t., 20–28.VIII.2014; 1 ♂ (ASU), near s.l., TSNR, Beloretsk site, 51°00,211'N, 82°45,815'E, upper and middle part of W slope, ca. 560 m a.s.l., p.t., 20–28.VIII.2014; 1 ♀ (ASU), same Province, Krasnoshchiokovo District, near Tigirek, TSNR, buffer zone, Mt Kozyr, 51°09,135'N, 83°01,196'E, upper part of steep NE slope, *Larix sibirica* stand in *Larix sibirica* and *Betula pendula* forest, 650 m a.s.l., p.t., 29.VIII.–8.IX.2014; 1 ♀ (ASU), same Province and District, near Tigirek, TSNR, buffer zone, right bank of Malyi Tigirek River behind ford, valley bottom, 51°08,751'N, 83°02,567'E, valley *Betula pendula* forest, 480 m a.s.l., p.t., 29.VIII–8.IX.2014; 1 juv. (ASU), same Province and District, near Tigirek, TSNR, Khankhara site, left

bank of Dragunskii Brook, 51°11,502'N, 82°58,778'E, middle part of S slope, rich herbaceous meadow with Poaceae, ca. 910 m a.s.l., p.t., 20–30.VI.2015; 1 ♀ (ASU), near s.l., 51°11,030'N; 82°58,467'E, lower part of slope, tall grasses, ca. 800 m a.s.l., p.t., 15–25.VIII.2015; 1 ♀ (ASU), near s.l., 51°11,306'N; 82°58,569'E, middle part of slope, rich herbaceous steppe with *Carex*, *Festuca* and bushes, ca. 910 m a.s.l., p.t., 15–25.VIII.2015; 2 ♀♀ (ASU), near s.l., 51°11,229'N; 82°58,546'E, middle part of slope, meadow steppe with bushes, ca. 875 m a.s.l., p.t., 15–25.VIII.2015, all leg. T.K.; 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀, 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., TSNR, buffer zone, 51°11'01.11'N, 82°58'29.57'E, tall grasses meadow, bottom of broad gully, 800 m a.s.l., s.s., 16–17.VIII.2016, leg. T.K., L.Yu. Gruntova, V.V. Zelenkii, K.V. Smirnova, A.E. Pupkova, M.N. Terioshkina, R.V. Shcherbakova; 2 ♂♂, 6 juv. (ASU), near s.l., SW steppe slope with *Rosa spinosissima*, h.s., 17.VIII.2016; 1 ♂, 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., *Betula pendula* stand with *Lonicera* and *Rosa spinosissima*, h.s., 17.VIII.2016; 1 ♀ (ASU), near s.l., 51.192035°N, 82.953123°E, *Betula pendula* and *Larix sibirica* forest, 850 m a.s.l., h.s., 18.VIII.2016, leg. P.N.; 1 ♂, 1 juv. (ASU), same Province, Charyshskoye District, left bank of Inya River, near Kamyshenka (abandoned), 51°07'04.1'N, 83°06'51.8'E, chern taiga, 555 m a.s.l., p.t., 18.VI–3.VII.2016; 1 ♂, 1 ♀, 4 juv. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 11.VII–3.IX.2016; 1 ♀, 2 juv. (ASU), near s.l., 51°07'00.4'N, 83°06'55.8'E, chern taiga, 585 m a.s.l., p.t., 11.VII–3.IX.2016, all leg. T.K.; 1 ♂ (ASU), same Province and District, ca. 4.5 km SE of Charyshskoye, 51°21'33.8'N, 83°37'23.2'E, *Betula pendula* and *Populus tremula* stand on N slope, ca. 520 m a.s.l., 5.VI.2018; 4 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on S slope, 51°21'20.3'N, 83°37'36.5'E, s.s. 1 (0–10 cm deep), 480 m a.s.l., 8.VI.2018; 1 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 1 (10–20 cm deep), 8.VI.2018; 4 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 3 (0–10 cm deep), 8.VI.2018; 7 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 5 (0–10 cm deep), 8.VI.2018; 2 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 5 (10–20 cm deep), 8.VI.2018, all leg. Kh.N., S.N., V.S.; 9 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 3 (0–10 cm deep), 14.VII.2018; 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 2 on S slope, 51°21'14.5'N, 83°38'03.8'E, s.s. 3 (0–10 cm deep), 530 m a.s.l., 13.VII.2018; 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on N slope, 51°21'44.3'N, 83°37'42.6'E, s.s. 3 (0–10 cm deep), 620 m a.s.l., 12.VII.2018; 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 2 on N slope, 51°21'38.0'N, 83°38'02.7'E, s.s. 5 (0–10 cm deep), 630 m a.s.l., 12.VII.2018; 4 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀, 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on S slope, 51°21'20.3'N, 83°37'36.5'E, s.s. 1 (0–10 cm deep), 480 m a.s.l., 6.IX.2018; 1 ♂ (ASU), s.l., s.s. 1 (10–20 cm deep), 6.IX.2018; 1 ♂, 4 ♀♀ (ASU), s.l., s.s. 3 (0–10 cm deep), 6.IX.2018; 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀ (ASU), s.l., s.s. 5 (0–10 cm deep), 6.IX.2018; 1 ♂ (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on N slope, 51°21'44.3'N, 83°37'42.6'E, s.s. 1 (0–10 cm deep), 620 m a.s.l., 7.IX.2018; 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (ASU), s.l., s.s. 2 (0–10 cm deep), 7.IX.2018; 1 ♂ (ASU), s.l., s.s. 4 (0–10 cm deep), 7.IX.2018, all leg. Kh.N.; 3 ♂♂ (ASU), Russia, **Republic of Altai**, Ust-Koksa District, 0.5 km W of Ust-Koksa, near main building of Katun State Nature Reserve, 50°16'27.74'N, 85°35'29.21'E, *Betula pendula* forest with Poaceae, in litter and under stones, 980 m a.s.l., 14–15.VIII.2016, leg. Yu.D.

MATERIAL RE-EXAMINED (specimens recorded by Nefediev, Nefedieva [2017] and Nefediev et al. [2017, 2018]). 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀, 1 fragm. (ASU), Russia, **Altai Province**, Krasnoshchiokovo District, near Tigirek, TSNR, Khankhara site, 51°11.569'N, 82°58.740'E, *Larix sibirica* forest, 4-year old fire-site, upper part on S slope, left bank of Dragunskii Brook, p.t., 23.V–1.VI.2012; 2 ♂♂ (ASU), same Province, Zmeinogorsk District, TSNR, Beloretsk site, 51°00.277'N, 82°45.830'E, dead-surface *Abies sibirica* forest (chern taiga), upper part on N slope, 537 m a.s.l., p.t., 28.V.5.VI.2013, all leg. T.K.; 10 juv. (ASU), same Province, Krasnoshchiokovo District, ca. 0.75 km E of Tigirek, buffer zone of TSNR, 51°08.613'N, 83°02.725'E, *Betula* forest, 503 m a.s.l., p.t., 1.VII–6.VII.2013; 2 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀, 33 juv., 2 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 4.VII.2013, all leg. Yu.D.; 2 juv. (ASU), same Province, Charyshskoye District, ca. 4.5 km SE of Charyshskoye, environs of ASU Field Station “Goluboi Utios”, 51°21'33.8'N, 83°37'23.2'E, *Betula pendula* and *Populus tremula* stand on N slope, ca. 520 m a.s.l., 14.VII.2015, leg. P.N.; 4 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on S slope, 51°21'20.3'N, 83°37'36.5'E, s.s. 3 (0–10 cm deep), 480 m a.s.l., 1.VI.2016; 2 ♀♀, 9 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 4 (0–10 cm deep), 1.VI.2016; 1 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 5 (0–10 cm deep), 1.VI.2016; 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀, 2 juv. (ASU), near s.l., foot of S slope of mountain, 51.354745°N, 83.626265°E, *Padus avium* and *Populus tremula* stand near Pikhtovka

River, h.s., 495 m a.s.l., 1.VI.2016; 2 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on N slope, 51°21'44.3"N, 83°37'42.6"E, h.s., 620 m a.s.l., 2.VI.2016, all leg. P.N., Kh.N., S.N., V.S.; 2 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on S slope, 51°21'20.3"N, 83°37'36.5"E, s.s. 1 (0–10 cm deep), 480 m a.s.l., 12.VII.2016; 1 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 3 (0–10 cm deep), 12.VII.2016; 3 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 3 (10–20 cm deep), 12.VII.2016; 2 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 5 (0–10 cm deep), 12.VII.2016; 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on N slope, 51°21'44.3"N, 83°37'42.6"E, s.s. 1 (0–10 cm deep), 620 m a.s.l., 13.VII.2016; 1 juv. (ASU), s.l., h.s., 13.VII.2016; 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., site 2 on N slope, 51°21'38.0"N, 83°38'02.7"E, s.s. 3 (0–10 cm deep), 630 m a.s.l., 13.VII.2016; 1 juv. (ASU), near s.l., environs of Komendantka, 51.344018°N, 83.593782°E, h.s., 485 m a.s.l., 14.VII.2016, all leg. Kh.N., S.N., V.S.; 1 ♂ (ASU), near s.l., site 1 on S slope, 51°21'20.3"N, 83°37'36.5"E, s.s. 2 (10–20 cm deep), 480 m a.s.l., 22.VIII.2016; 1 ♂ (ASU), s.l., s.s. 4 (0–10 cm deep), 23.VIII.2016; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (ZMMU), 1 ♀ (ASU), s.l., s.s. 5 (0–10 cm deep), 23.VIII.2016; 1 ♂ (ASU), near s.l., site 2 on S slope, 51°21'14.5"N, 83°38'03.8"E, s.s. 2 (0–10 cm deep), 530 m a.s.l., 22.VIII.2016; 1 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s. 4 (0–10 cm deep), 22.VIII.2016; 1 ♂ (ASU), near s.l., site 2 on N slope, 51°21'38.0"N, 83°38'02.7"E, s.s. 2 (0–10 cm deep), 630 m a.s.l., 23.VIII.2016; 1 ♀ (ASU), s.l., s.s. 4 (litter), 23.VIII.2016, all leg. P.N., Kh.N., S.N., V.S.

MATERIAL RE-EXAMINED. 7 ♂♂, 7 ♀♀ (ZMUM, Rd 1523), Russia, Voronezh Area, Voronezh Nature Reserve, *Alnus* forest, site 509, 20.IX.1988, leg. V. Emets.

DISTRIBUTION. Until recently, this species was considered to be endemic to the Russian Plain (see above and Zaleskaja *et al.* [1982]), with the distribution area covering the territory of central and eastern Ukraine and the adjacent regions of Russia east of Ukraine, and further north up to the southern parts of the Moscow Area [Evsyukov, Golovatch, 2013]. Recently, however, this species has been recorded

from the Russian Altai generally [Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2018] and from the Tigirek State Nature Reserve in particular [Krugova, Nefediev, 2018], but without precise faunistic data presented (Fig. 1).

REMARKS. Originally described in a new genus, *Trachynotus* [Timotheew, 1897], this species was later transferred to *Schizoturanius* [Lohmander, 1933], because the name *Trachynotus* had been preoccupied. A restudy of the specimens from the south of the Altai Province previously determined by Nefediev, Nefedieva [2017] and Nefediev *et al.* [2017, 2018] as *Schizoturanius clavatipes* (Stuxberg, 1876) shows that they actually belong to *S. dmitriewi*.

The species *Schizoturanius dmitriewi* is very similar to *S. clavatipes*, but differs from it and other species of the genus mainly in the absence of a small triangular blade at the inner edge of the middle part of the gonopod exomere (*ex*) (Figs 4–5), as well as the serrate/denticulate outer edge of the gonopod endomere (*en*) (Figs 6–9), in which the distal part is directed caudad, shortened and swollen ventrally, and it carries a well-developed, long and thin process (*p*) near the pad/pulvillus (Figs 2–3).

Schizoturanius dmitriewi sometimes occur syntopically with *S. tabescens* (Stuxberg, 1876) (Figs 1, 12), but the former species is easily distinguished from the latter by the larger body (adults 912 vs. 79 mm long, respectively) and coloration (pinkish beige vs. milky white, respectively). At the same time, *S. dmitriewi* is quite similar to *S. clavatipes* in habitus, as well as in gonopodal structure, but they never live together, being allopatric.

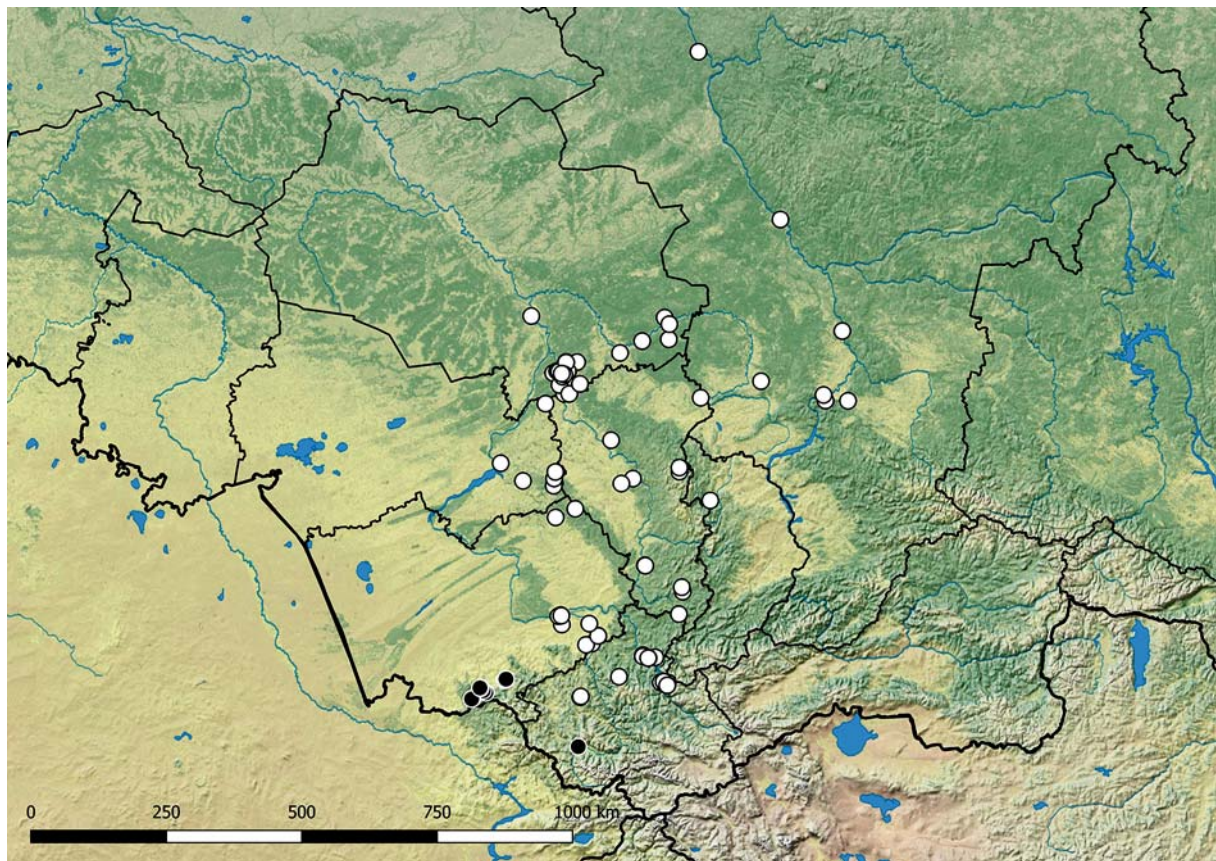
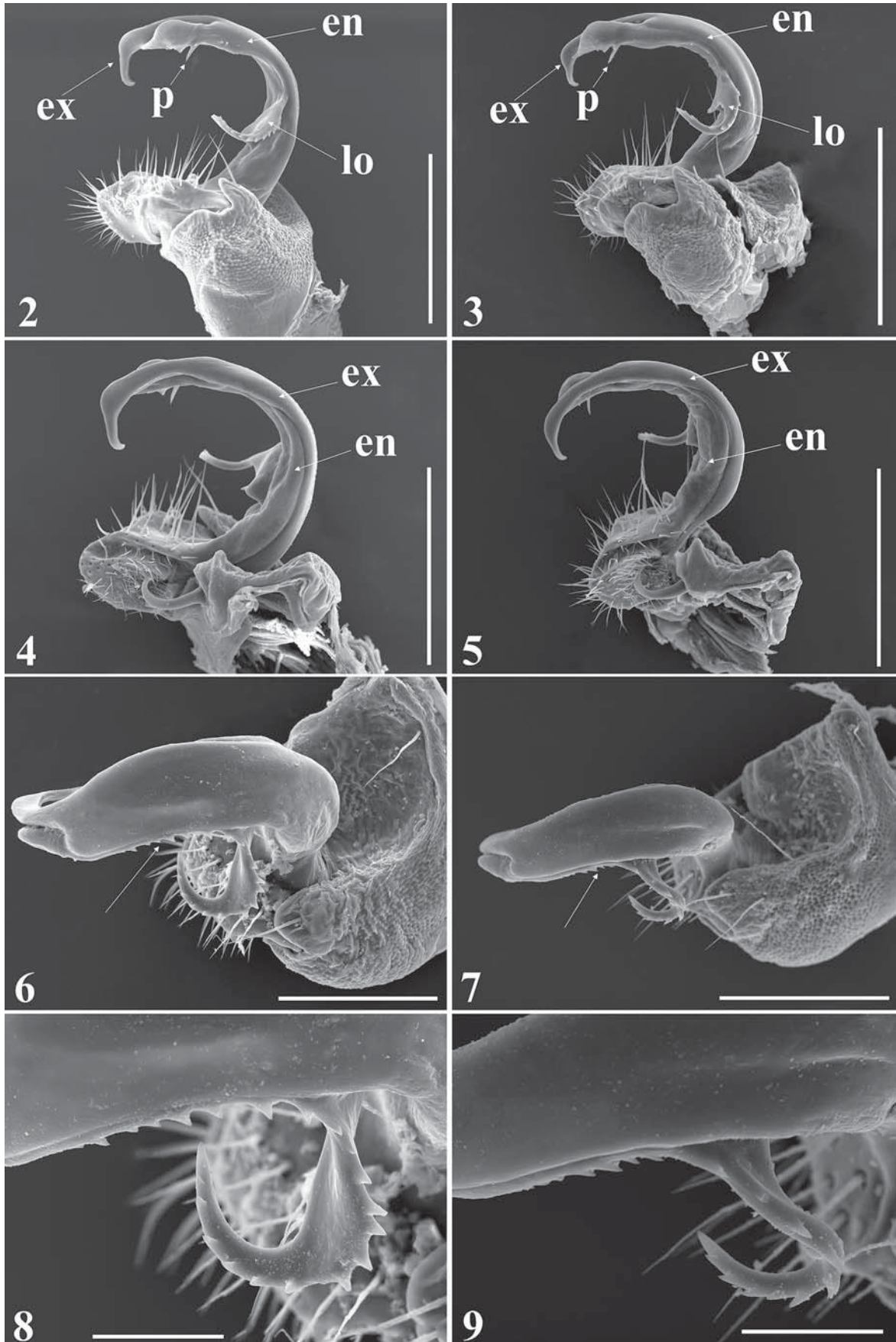


Fig. 1. Distribution of *Schizoturanius* species: *dmitriewi* in Asian Russia (black circle) and *clavatipes* (white circle).

Рис. 1. Распространение видов *Schizoturanius*: *dmitriewi* в азиатской части России (черный круг) и *clavatipes* (белый круг).



Schizoturanium clavatipes (Stuxberg, 1876)

Figs 1, 10–11.

Polydesmus clavatipes Stuxberg, 1876a: 34, inset: figs. *Polydesmus clavatipes* — Stuxberg, 1876b: 316; Attems, 1904: 48; Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2008a: 117.

Schizoturanium clavatipes — Lohmander, 1933: 27; Hoffman, 1975: 81, 82: figs; Lokšina, Golovatch, 1979: 384; Golovatch, 1979: 993; Mikhailjova, 1993: 31, 32: figs; 2002: 206; 2004: 238, 239: figs; 228: map; 2013a: 221; 2013b: 9; 2016: 24; 2017: 288, 289: figs; 290: map; Mikhailjova, Golovatch, 2001: 116; Nefediev, 2001: 85; 2002c: 139; Vorobiova *et al.*, 2002: 62; Mikhailjova, Nefediev, 2003: 81; Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2005: 178; 2006: 98; 2007a: 139; 2007b: 161; 2007c: 99; 2008b: 62; 2011: 100; 2012a: 47; 2012b: 51; 2013: 87; 2017: 292; Nefedieva, Nefediev, 2008: 123; Nefediev *et al.*, 2014: 63; Nefedieva *et al.*, 2014: 65; 2015: 152.

Turanodesmus clavatipes — Attems, 1940: 85.

Turanodesmus dmitriewi (sic!) — Byzova, Chadaeva, 1965: 337. non *Schizoturanium clavatipes* — Nefediev *et al.*, 2017: 13; 2018: 228.

non *Schizoturanium clavatipes* pro parte — Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2017: 292.

MATERIAL EXAMINED. 2 juv. (ASU), Russia, **Krasnoyarsk Province**, Sorokino Railway Station, *Betula* forest with *Pinus sibirica* and *Alnus*, litter, 23.VIII.1994, leg. A.B. Ryvkin; 1 ♂ (ASU), Russia, **Tomsk Area**, Tomsk District, Tomsk, “Universitetskaya Roshcha” Park, 56.468895°N, 84.949151°E, *Betula pendula* forest, 105 m a.s.l., 19.IV.2000; 3 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀ (ASU), same Area and District, 15 km N of Tomsk, mixed forest, 11.VI.2000; 1 ♂, 19 ♀♀, 8 juv. (ASU), same Area, Teguldet District, near Novyi Trud (abandoned), 57.428549°N, 87.999207°E, *Populus tremula* forest with *Pinus sibirica*, 175 m a.s.l., p.t., 15.VI–11.VII.2000; 1 ♂, 4 ♀♀, 3 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Chet-Kontorka, 57.064860°N, 88.115124°E, *Populus tremula* forest with *Abies sibirica* and *Betula pendula*, 190 m a.s.l., 19.VI.2000; 2 juv. (ASU), near s.l., *Abies sibirica* forest, 19.VI.2000; 6 ♀♀, 11 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Teguldet, 57.316881°N, 88.139437°E, *Populus tremula* forest, 135 m a.s.l., 4.VII.2000; 2 ♀♀, 4 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Chiorny Yar, 57.040621°N, 87.301126°E, 150 m a.s.l., 5.VII.2000, all leg. P.N.; 2 ♀♀ (ASU), same Area, Tomsk District, near Zorkaltsevo, 56.521326°N, 84.733903°E, *Pinus sibirica* forest, p.t., 23.V.3.VI.2001; 1 ♂, 2 ♀♀, 2 fragm. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 3–13.VI.2001; 2 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (ASU), s.l., p.t., 13–26.VI.2001; 2 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 16–19.VI.2001; 4 ♀♀, 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 26.VI–7.VII.2001; 14 juv., 6 fragm. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 7–24.VII.2001; 7 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 24.VII.2001; 2 ♀♀, 5 fragm. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 24.VII–8.VIII.2001; 1 ♀, 4 fragm. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 8–24.VIII.2001; 1 ♂, 4 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 24.VIII.2001; 6 ♂♂, 12 ♀♀, 1 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 24.VIII–20.IX.2001; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (ASU), s.l., s.s., 16.X.2001; 1 ♂, 4 ♀♀, 35 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Kislovka, 56.430654°N, 84.900971°E, *Populus tremula* forest, s.s., 10–11.VI.2001; 4 ♀♀, 3 juv. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 10–26.VI.2001; 1 ♀, 3 juv. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 26.VI–26.VII.2001; 47 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 18–22.VII.2001; 38 juv. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 26.VII–6.VIII.2001; 6 ♂♂, 6 ♀♀, 46 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 6–26.VIII.2001; 1 ♂, 6 ♀♀, 34 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 26.VIII.2001; 10 ♂♂, 19 ♀♀, 11 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., p.t., 26.VIII–18.IX.2001; 4 ♂♂, 13 ♀♀, 10 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 9.X.2001; 11 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Petrovskii Uchastok, 56.512449°N, 84.789453°E, *Populus tremula* and *Betula pendula* patch, s.s., 20–26.VI.2001; 3 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀, 14 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 8–10.VII.2001; 3 ♂♂, 1 ♀, 3 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 24.VIII.2001; 1 ♀ (ASU), s.l., p.t., 24.VIII–20.IX.2001; 1 ♀, 6 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 16.X.2001; 1 ♂, 1 ♀ (ASU), same Area and District, near Timiryazevskoye, ecotone of *Betula*

pendula forest and *Pinus sylvestris* forest, p.t., 26.VIII–18.IX.2001, all leg. P.N., J.N.; 1 ♂ (ASU), same Area, Krivosheino District, near Novoislambul, 57.418825°N, 83.878022°E, mixed forest, 115 m a.s.l., 21.IX.2003, leg. P.N.; 5 juv. (ASU), same Area, Tomsk District, near Zorkaltsevo, *Pinus sibirica* forest, p.t., 12.VII.–24.VIII.2006, leg. S.A. Krivets; 1 ♂, 1 ♀, 1 fragm. (ASU), Russia, **Novosibirsk Area**, Toguchin District, near Yurty, 14.VIII.2007, leg. A.S. Babenko; 1 ♂, 3 ♀♀, 3 juv. (ASU), Russia, **Kemerovo Area**, Kemerovo District, 45 km N of Tebenkovka, 55°23'18.11"N, 86°22'37.29"E, *Abies sibirica* forest with *Betula pendula* and *Populus tremula*, 170 m a.s.l., 30.VIII.2016; 1 juv. (ASU), same Area, Krapivinskii District, 8 km SSW of Saltymakovo, 54°45'N, 87°01'E, Kemerovo State University Field Station “Azhendarovo”, floodplain of Tom River, 165 m a.s.l., 28.VII.2017; 1 ♂, 5 ♀♀ (ASU), same Area and District, 56 km S of Taradanovo, 54°40'N, 86°41'E, *Populus tremula* forest, 300 m a.s.l., in litter and rotten logs, 13.VIII.2017, all leg. D.A. Efimov; 2 juv. (ASU), Russia, **Altai Province**, Zalesovo District, at border with Kemerovo Area, 54.235533°N, 85.375949°E, *Betula pendula* forest with *Ribes nigrum*, 400 m a.s.l., 3.VII.2018, leg. P.N.; 1 juv. (ASU), Russia, **Republic of Altai**, Shebalino District, 3.5 air-km SE of Topuchaya, 51.11189°N, 85.63219°E, *Betula pendula*, *Larix sibirica*, *Pinus sibirica* and *Picea obovata* forest with *Alnus*, *Lonicera*, *Ribes nigrum* and tall grass vegetation on hummocks, along brook, ca. 1435 m a.s.l., sifted leaf litter, 22.VII.2018, leg. V.G., M.M., V.L.

DISTRIBUTION. This species is widespread in southwestern Siberia (SE districts of the Tomsk Area, E districts of the Novosibirsk Area and Altai Province, N and central districts of the Republic of Altai, the entire Kemerovo Area, NW districts of the Republic of Khakassia and the southwest of central Siberia (SW districts of the Krasnoyarsk Province) (Fig. 1).

REMARKS. Originally described in *Polydesmus* Latreille, 1802–1803 from the territory between Achinsk (Krasnoyarsk Province) and Mariinsk (Kemerovo Area) [see Stuxberg, 1876a, b], this species was later transferred to *Schizoturanium* [Lohmander, 1933].

Being very close to *S. dmitriewi*, *S. clavatipes* differs from it and other species of the genus mainly by the presence of a small triangular blade (**b**) at the inner edge of the middle part of the gonopod exomere (**ex**) (Fig. 11), as well as the smooth, non-dentate outer edge of the gonopod endomere (**en**), which is directed caudad, elongated and distally pointed, carrying a small, thin process (**p**) on the inner side near the pad/pulvillus (Fig. 10).

These two species are also quite similar in habitus, but due to their non-overlapping distribution areas even their females and juveniles are easily distinguishable. Living together over much of their distribution ranges, *S. clavatipes* and *S. tabescens* are not only sympatric, but often even syntopic congeners (Figs 1, 12).

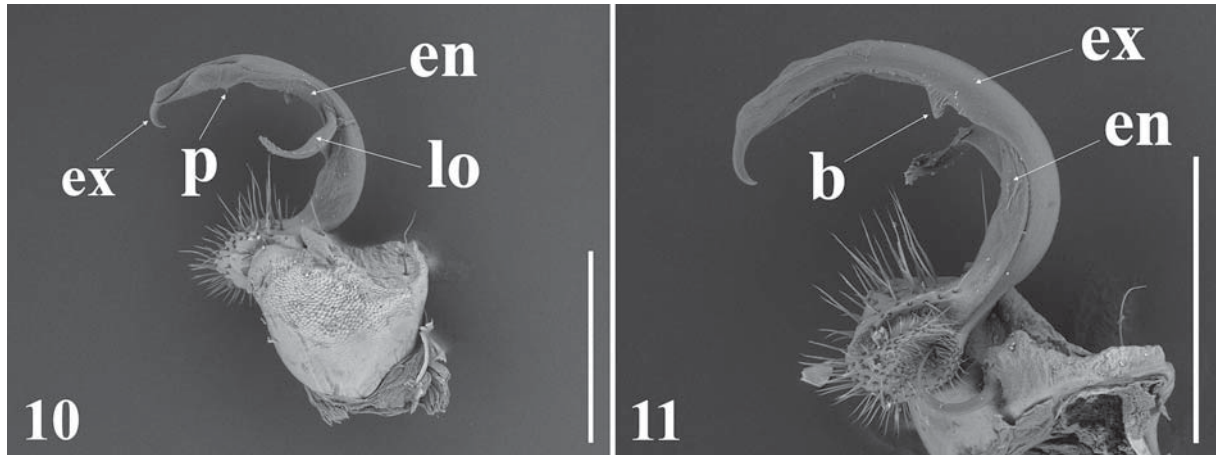
Schizoturanium tabescens (Stuxberg, 1876)

Fig. 12.

Polydesmus tabescens Stuxberg, 1876a: 35, inset: figs. *Polydesmus tabescens* — Stuxberg, 1876b: 316; Attems, 1904: 48. *Turanodesmus salairicus* Gulicka, 1963: 523, 522: figs. *Turanodesmus salairicus* — Byzova, Chadaeva, 1965: 333; Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2008a: 117; Babenko *et al.*, 2009: 182. *Schizoturanium salairicus* — Lokšina, Golovatch, 1979: 384; Mikhailjova, 1993: 31; Mikhailjova, Golovatch, 2001: 116; Nefedi-

← Figs 2–9. *Schizoturanium dmitriewi*, males: 2–7 — gonopod; 8–9 — lateral outgrowth of gonopod endomere; 2–3 — lateral view; 4–5 — mesal view; 6–9 — front and ventral view; 2, 4, 6, 8 — Voronezh Nature Reserve; 3, 5, 7, 9 — Altai Province, near Charyshskoye. Scale bar: 0.4 mm (2–5), 0.3 mm (6–7), 0.1 mm (8–9). Designations explained in text.

Рис. 2–9. *Schizoturanium dmitriewi*, самцы: 2–7 — гонопод; 8–9 — боковой отросток эндомера гонопода; 2–3 — вид сбоку; 4–5 — вид изнутри; 6–9 — вид спереди и снизу; 2, 4, 6, 8 — Воронежский заповедник; 3, 5, 7, 9 — Алтайский край, около Чарышского. Масштаб: 0,4 мм (2–5), 0,3 мм (6–7), 0,1 мм (8–9). Объяснение обозначений дано в тексте.



Figs 10–11. *Schizoturanius clavatipes*, male (Altai Province, near Zalesovo): 10 — gonopod, lateral view; 11 — gonopod, mesal view. Scale bar: 0.5 mm. Designations explained in text.

Рис. 10–11. *Schizoturanius clavatipes*, самец (Алтайский край, около Залесово): 10 — гонопод, сбоку; 11 — гонопод, изнутри. Масштаб: 0,5 мм. Объяснение обозначений дано в тексте.

ev, 2001: 85; 2002a: 41; 2002b: 30; 2002c: 139; 2002d: 35; Mikhaljova, Nefediev, 2003: 83; Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2008a: 118.

Schizoturanius tabescens Mikhaljova, 1993: 31, 32: figs; 2004: 240, 241: figs, 242: map; 2013a: 221; 2017: 291, figs, 292: map; Vorobiova, 1999: 33; Mikhaljova, Golovatch, 2001: 116; Vorobiova *et al.*, 2002: 62; Rybalov, 2002: 83; Rybalov, Vorobiova, 2002: 14; Mikhaljova, Marusik, 2004: 8, 7: figs; Nefediev, Nefedieva, 2005: 178; 2006: 98; 2007a: 139; 2007b: 161; 2007c: 100; 2008a: 118;

2008b: 62; 2011: 100; 2012a: 51; 2012b: 47; 2013: 87; 2017: 292; Nefedieva, Nefediev, 2008: 123; Babenko *et al.*, 2009: 183; Bukhka-lo *et al.*, 2014: 74; Nefedieva *et al.*, 2014: 65; 2015: 153.

MATERIAL EXAMINED. 1 ♀ (ASU), Russia, **Krasnoyarsk Province**, Sorokino Railway Station, *Betula* forest with *Pinus sibirica* and *Alnus*, in litter, 23.VIII.1994, leg. A.B. Ryvkin; 1 ♀ (ASU), Russia, **Tomsk Area**, Tomsk District, 15 km N of Tomsk, mixed forest, 11.VI.2000; 9 ♀♀, 4 juv., 2 fragm. (ASU), same Area,

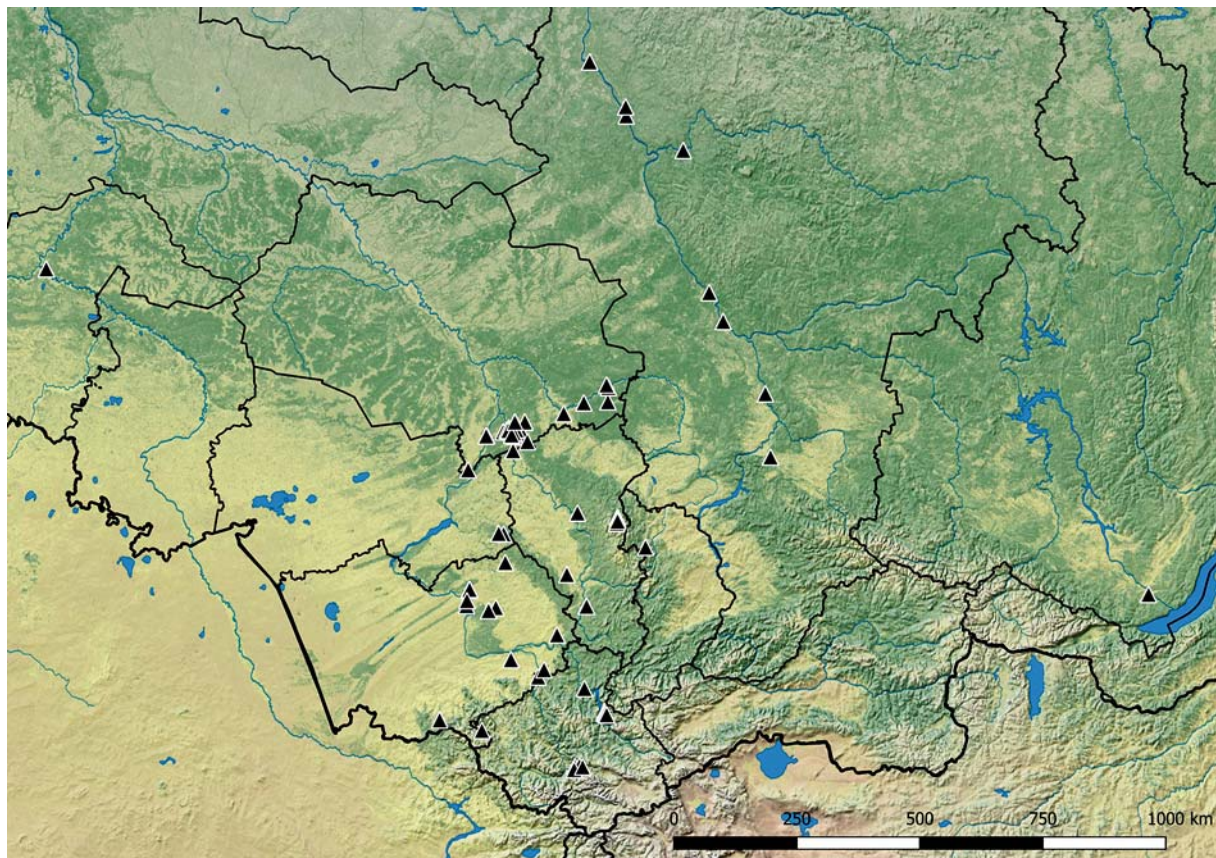


Fig. 12. Distribution of *Schizoturanius tabescens*.

Рис. 12. Распространение *Schizoturanius tabescens*.

Teguldet District, near Chet-Kontorka, 57.064860°N, 88.115124°E, *Populus tremula* forest, 190 m a.s.l., 19.VI.2000; 4 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Sosnovka (abandoned), 57.363366°N, 88.073710°E, *Betula pendula* and *Abies sibirica* forest, 135 m a.s.l., h.s., 22.VI.2000; 19 ♀♀, 9 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Teguldet, 57.316881°N, 88.139437°E, *Populus tremula* forest, 135 m a.s.l., 4.VII.2000; 1 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Chiorny Yar, 57.040621°N, 87.301126°E, 150 m a.s.l., 5.VII.2000, all leg. P.N.; 4 ♀♀, 4 juv. (ASU), same Area, Tomsk District, near Zorkaltsevo, 56.521326°N, 84.733903°E, *Pinus sibirica* forest, s.s., 16–19.VI.2001; 5 ♀♀, 34 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 24.VII.2001; 14 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 24.VIII.2001; 59 ♀♀, 3 juv., 2 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 16.X.2001; 1 ♀, 2 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Kislavka, 56.430654°N, 84.900971°E, *Populus tremula* forest, s.s., 10–11.VI.2001; 22 juv., s.l., s.s., 18–22.VII.2001; 1 ♀, 14 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 26.VIII.2001; 19 ♀♀, 13 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 9.X.2001; 35 ♀♀, 356 juv., 5 fragm. (ASU), same Area and District, near Petrovskii Uchastok, 56.512449°N, 84.789453°E, *Populus tremula* and *Betula pendula* patch, s.s., 20–26.VI.2001; 13 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 8–10.VII.2001; 12 ♀♀, 13 juv., 1 fragm. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 24.VIII.2001; 7 ♀♀ (ASU), s.l., p.t., 24.VIII–20.IX.2001; 29 ♀♀, 3 juv. (ASU), s.l., s.s., 16.X.2001, all leg. P.N., J.N.; 7 ♀♀ (ASU), same Area and District, Tomsk, “Buff-Sad” Park, 56.471503°N, 84.962563°E, *Acer negundo* and *Populus*, 110 m a.s.l., 15.V.2008, leg. P.N.; 1 juv. (ASU), same Area and District, near Zorkaltsevo, *Pinus sibirica* forest, p.t., 12.VII–24.VIII.2006, leg. S.A. Krivets; 1 ♀, 1 fragm. (ASU), Russia, **Kemerovo Area**, Krapivinskii District, near Zelenogorskii, 55°01'N, 87°05'E, bank of Tom River, under bark, 140 m a.s.l., h.s., 9.VII.2017, leg. D.A. Efimov; 1 ♀ (ASU), Russia, **Altai Province**, Barnaul, “Lesnaya Skazka” Park, 53.359283°N, 83.682242°E, *Acer negundo* and *Betula pendula* stand, under boards, pieces of concrete, in litter, 215 m a.s.l., 1.V.2015, leg. P.N.; 1 ♀ (ASU), same Province, Charyshskoye District, ca. 4.5 km SE of Charyshskoye, environs of ASU Field Station “Goluboi Utios”, 51°21'33.8"N, 83°37'23.2"E, *Betula pendula* and *Populus tremula* stand on N slope, ca. 520 m a.s.l., 5.VI.2018, leg. Kh.N., S.N., V.S.; 1 ♀ (ASU), near s.l., 51.362106°N, 83.623658°E, *Salix* thicket in valley of Pikhtovka River, 460 m a.s.l., 8.VI.2018, leg. Kh.N.; 1 ♀ (ASU), same Province and District, 5 km S of Ust-Kumir, 50°58.988'N, 84°17.415'E, valley of Kumir River, forest with gaps of tall herbaceous vegetation, ca. 805 m a.s.l., sifting leaf litter, 1.VIII.2018, leg. V.G., M.M., V.L.; 1 juv. (ASU), Russia, **Republic of Altai**, Ongudai District, 9 air-km SSW of Belyi Bom, near Achik Pass, 50.295678°N, 86.977943°E, sparse *Pinus sibirica* forest edge, 2120 m a.s.l., 21.VII.2006, leg. P.N., J.N.; 1 juv. (ASU), same Republic and District, 20 air-km W of Chibit, near Shirlak Waterfall, valley of Chuya River, right bank of Chuya River, *Betula* forest with *Larix sibirica*, *Caragana arborescens*, low grasses and green mosses, 50.34358°N, 87.22225°E, ca. 1015 m a.s.l., 23.07.2018, leg. P.N.; 1 ♀ (ASU), Russia, **Irkutsk Area**, Irkutsk, Akademgorodok, left bank of Angara River, 52°14'48.1"N, 104°15'13.4"E, park forest with *Betula* and *Populus tremula*, seldom *Pinus sylvestris*, *Alnus fruticosa* and *Swida alba*, ca. 520 m a.s.l., h.s., 31.VIII.2018, leg. I.V. Enushchenko.

DISTRIBUTION. This species is widespread in southwestern and central Siberia (SE districts of the Tomsk Area, E districts of the Novosibirsk Area, N, E and S districts of the Altai Province, central and S districts of the Kemerovo Area, N and central districts of the Republic of Altai, NW districts of the Republic of Khakassia, and SW districts of the Krasnoyarsk Province). The species is also known a significant distance away from the main part of its distribution area, being recorded from the south of the Tyumen and Irkutsk areas as well (Fig. 12).

REMARKS. Originally described in *Polydesmus* from the Yenisei River valley near Yeniseisk and Alinskoye (both Krasnoyarsk Province) [Stuxberg, 1876a, b], this species was later transferred to *Schizoturanus* [Mikhaljova, 1993] and synonymized with *Turanodesmus salairicus* Gulička, 1963 [Mikhaljova, Marusik, 2004]. *Schizoturanus tabescens* is

new to be reported from the Irkutsk Area, its easternmost range limit.

Sometimes occurring even syntopically with *S. dmitriewi* at the southwestern periphery of its distribution area, *S. tabescens* can easily be distinguished from it by the smaller body and lighter coloration (see above), same as from *S. clavatipes*, with which *S. tabescens* is a sympatric species.

The following key can be proposed to *Schizoturanus* species from Asian Russia.

- 1(2) Gonopod broadened, with a short exomere. Gonopod endomere without a lateral outgrowth *tabescens*
- 2(3) Gonopod elongated and crescent, with an exomere longer than endomere. Gonopod endomere with a lateral outgrowth (**lo**) (Figs 3, 10) 3
- 3(4) Outer edge of gonopod endomere smooth, non-dentate *clavatipes*
- 4(3) Outer edge of gonopod endomere serrate (Figs 8–9) ..
..... *dmitriewi*

Conclusions

At least three species of *Schizoturanus* are currently known to occur in Asian Russia. All presently known records of *S. dmitriewi* from the Asian part of Russia are provided, where the species is found in the Republic of Altai for the first time. The easternmost, new records of *S. tabescens* from the Irkutsk Area are also given.

A direct comparative re-examination of the gonopods of *S. dmitriewi* from a European population with specimens from the southwestern Siberian populations shows their identity (Figs 2–9). Hence, *S. dmitriewi* reveals a disjunct distribution area, being among the very few examples of millipede migration from Siberia to the Russian Plain. These two species are close, but differ from each other and their congeners mainly by the presence or absence of a small triangular blade (**b**) at the inner edge of the middle part of the exomere (**ex**) (Fig. 11 vs. Figs 4–5), and by a smooth or serrate outer edge of the endomere (**en**) (Fig. 10 vs. Figs 8–9); also the tip of the endomere can be elongated and distally pointed or shortened and swollen ventrally (Fig. 10 vs. Fig. 2), but anyway it carries a thin, more or less elongated process (**p**) near the pad/pulvillus (Figs 2–3, 10).

All three *Schizoturanus* species inhabiting the Asian part of Russia can easily be distinguished from each other taking into account (1) the habitus, i.e. body size and coloration, and (2) distribution areas. Thus, *S. tabescens*, being sympatric with *S. clavatipes* and occasionally dwelling syntopically with *S. dmitriewi*, differs easily from both by the smaller body and white coloration. At the same time, *S. dmitriewi* and *S. clavatipes*, being very similar in habitus and having non-overlapping distribution areas, are fully allopatric.

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