This Special Issue opens with an Editorial dedicated to the 75th birthday of Prof. Arkady S. Lelej (Vladivostok, Russia). Most of other 24 papers describe various aspects of taxonomy and faunistics of extant Hymenoptera. There are members of two Palearctic species groups of Euura (Tenthredinidae), Ichneumonidae from the Eastern Palearctic and Oriental regions, Afrotropical species of Sculptolobus (Braconidae), the genera Toxema (Pteromalidae) and Sierola (Bethylidae) from Russia and China respectively, new species of Odontaphex (Crabronidae) from Central Asia and of Anteon (Dryinidae) from Turkey, as well as Chrysididae from Pakistan and India, two bee genera from the Caucasus, Mongolia, Middle East and North Africa, and new taxa of Pompilidae and Mutillidae from the Oriental Region. In addition, a few extinct groups were described. These taxa include braconid parasitoids of ants from the tribe Neoneurini as well as new taxa of Peleserphidae (Proctotrupoidea), Encyrtidae and Formicidae. In a single morphological study, the ultrastructure of placoid sensilla of Megaphragma (Trichogrammatidae) was examined. Several papers are dedicated to the bionomics of Hymenoptera, including parasitism by two Eupelmus species (Eupelmidae) on Aulacidea hieracii (Cynipidae), nesting data for Leptochilus regulus (Vespidae) as well as defensive adaptations of Mutillidae and wing loading in Dolichovespula maculata (Vespidae).
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