

SHORT COMMUNICATION

R. T. Baghirov. FIRST RECORD OF THE DIGGER WASP *CHALYBION TURANICUM* (GUSSAKOVSKIJ, 1935) (HYMENOPTERA: SPHECIDAE) FROM RUSSIA. – Far Eastern Entomologist. 2011. N 222: 24.

Summary. The genus *Chalybion* Dahlbom, 1843 is new for Russia. *Ch. turanicum* (Gussakovskij, 1935) is firstly recorded from West Siberia.

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Резюме. Род *Chalybion* Dahlbom, 1843 впервые указывается для фауны России. *Ch. turanicum* (Gussakovskij, 1935) впервые приводится для Западной Сибири.

INTRODUCTION

Until now the genus *Chalybion* Dahlbom, 1843 (Hymenoptera: Sphecidae) was unknown in Russia (Nemkov, 2009; Pulawski, 2010). One species of this genus was found in West Siberia.

NEW RECORD

Chalybion turanicum (Gussakovskij, 1935)

MATERIAL. Russia: Altaiskiy krai, 51°20'061"N, 82°10'327"E, 25 km SSW Kuria, Kolyvan l, feather-grass steppe, 454 m above sea level, 5.VII 2010, 2 ♀ (R.T. Baghirov).

DISTRIBUTION. Russia: West Siberia (first record). Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan, Iran.

NOTES. The nests of *Ch. turanicum* are situated in the hollow stems, in the prepared cavities in the wood, and in the old mud nests of other wasps. Females kill or paralyze the victims (spiders of the families Theridiidae, Lycosidae, and Thomisidae).

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