



New Aquatic Macrophytes for the Flora of Albania from the Lake Shkodra, Drini and Buna Basins[#]

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Abstract: New records regarding the aquatic macrophytes of the lake Shkodra, Drini and Buna rivers basins based on last two years field trips are presented. Altogether 9 species of sedge family are reported and discussed, of which 2 species: *Carex elata* and *Carex melanostachya* are new for the flora of Albania, while 7 other species are less or not known. *Carex elata*, *Cyperus michelianus* and *Fimbristylis dichotoma* were found only on the shoreline of lake; *Carex cuprina* and *Isolepis setaceus* were found on the riversides, while *Carex vesicaria*, *Cyperus glaber*, *Eleocharis uniglumis* and *Carex melanostachya* on shoreline of lake, riversides and marshes were found. The variability of certain taxonomic characters, synonyms, life form, preferred habitat, distribution and actual knowledge for each species is presented.

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