



Faunistic and Zoogeographical Analyses of Linyphiidae (Araneae) in the Tirana District of Albania

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Abstract: Linyphiidae is a spider family with many genera (587) and species (4,412) known worldwide, but insufficiently studied in Albania. Records of 35 species have been published in several papers on Albanian spiders. Based on the Roewer collection at the Senckenberg Naturmuseum – which includes two new species of Linyphiidae for Albania – and previously and recently published data including material from the first author's doctoral study (2010–2011), a total of 18 species are known so far from the Tirana district. Seven of these are newly-established both for this district and Albania in general. Spiders of the Tirana district can be classified into six zoogeographical categories combined into two chorological complexes. The composition of the fauna shows a Holarctic and European character.

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