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New and rare Noctuoidea species for Albania

(Lepidoptera: Nolidae, Erebidae and Noctuidae)

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Abstract: Data for 14 genera and 52 Noctuoidea species, new for Albania, collected at light during 2016 and 2017 in the central and southern areas are reported here. One more genus and four other species are proved as a part of the Albanian fauna. 51 species, including widespread and common taxa, are reported for the second time for Albania. Some of the species, including ♂ and ♀ genitalia and their habitats are illustrated. One map and 77 pictures of insects, genitalia and habitats are figured.

Introduction: Without any doubt, concerning the nocturnal Lepidoptera, Albania is still a poorely explored country in comparison with most others in Europe. At present there is no active native lepidopterologist collecting at light, and the country has been neglected by foreign scientists and collectors, though it inhabits an outstanding high biological diversity. Albania is a mountainous country; overgrazing and deforestration present a problem in upland areas but industrial and intensive agricultural areas are confined to the lowlands. Collecting in Albania is not forbidden and a permit is necessary only for protected areas and for protected species. Whilst collecting at lamps, which are visible from long distance, we never have been checked by police or local authorities. Roads are from normal to very bad, often it can be a great mistake if you follow your GPS navigator or map in mountain areas as the road can be transformed into a path or simply disappear. However, even in such places you can see houses, people and livestock and with the exceptions that apply in all countries, the Albanian people are friendly. Some years ago, after the end of communist rule, it was a "sport" for young people to steal from foreigners. The senior author was a victim of such theft; a 23 kg generator was stolen from the car when three of us were nearby. We were told that this time a young man could not get married if he had not robbed someome! Now the situation is better. In 2016 we even left the car with open windows even in the towns, but in 2017 a light trap and a 30 m cable were stolen twice, and once in early morning, someone threw and hit the van with stones when we were sleeping inside. This however can not spoil our best impression and feelings to Albania and Albanians and we consist to continue intensively our research there the coming years.

Our opinion, expressed above, that Albania remains poorely studied for Lepidoptera is borne by the realisation that some of the new species reported here for the country are very common and widely distributed in the neighbouring countries. Examples include *Hypena proboscidalis* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Protoschinia scutosa* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Mesoligia furuncula* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Mesogona acetosellae* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Anchoscelis humilis* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Sunira circellaris* (Hufnagel, 1766), 1775), *Conistra vaccinii* (Linnaeus, 1761), *Conistra rubiginea* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Lithophane ornitopus* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Dryobotodes eremita* (Fabricius, 1775), *Polia nebulosa* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Lacanobia thalassina* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Mamestra brassicae* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Chersotis rectangula* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Noctua interposita* (Hübner, 1790), *Xestia baja* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), and *Xestia stigmatica* (Hübner, [1813]). Some of these were, foolishly as it turns out not collected but merely listed in the field notebook! Curiously, even the genus *Lithophane* Hübner, [1821] is reported here as new for Albania! Some other species common in the neighbouring countries like *Gonospileia triquetra* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Acronicta leporina* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Asteroscopus sphinx* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Propenistra laevis* (Hübner, [1803]), *Eupsilia transversa* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Dichonia convergens* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775) *Orthosia cruda* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Lacanobia suasa* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Diarsia brunnea* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775) etc., without any doubt occur in Albania, but they are not reported for the country so far.

Part of the results of five collecting trips in 2016 and four in 2017 are presented here. Fourteen genera are new for Albania: *Haemerosia* Boisduval, 1840, *Protoschinia* Hardwick, 1970, *Anthracia* Hübner, [1823], *Eremobia* Stephens, 1829, *Nonagria* Ochsenheimer, 1816, *Photedes* Lederer, 1857, *Litoligia* Beck, 1999, *Mesoligia* Boursin, 1965, *Mesogona* Boisduval, 1840, *Sunira* Franclemont, 1950, *Lithophane* Hübner, [1821], *Scotochrosta* Lederer, 1857, *Dasypolia* Guenée, 1852, and *Mamestra* Ochsenheimer, 1816.

52 species are new for Albania: *Meganola gigantula* (Staudinger, 1879), *Nola cucullatella* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Hypena proboscidalis* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Eilema pseudocomplana* (Daniel, 1938), *Lygephila procax* (Hübner, [1813]), *Metachrostis dardouini* (Boisduval, 1840), *Catocala separata* (Freyer, 1847), *Acontia titania* (Esper, [1798]), *Simyra nervosa* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Haemerosia renalis* (Hübner, [1813]), *Cucullia santonici* (Hübner, [1813]), *Shargacucullia thapsiphaga* (Treitschke, 1826), *Amphipyra tetra* (Fabricius, 1787), *Amphipyra micans* Lederer, 1857, *Protoschinia scutosa* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Heliothis incarnata* (Freyer, [1838]), *Nyctobrya amasina* (Draudt, 1931), *Caradrina gilva* (Donzel, 1837), *Charanyca apfelbecki* (Rebel, 1901), *Anthracia eriopoda* (Herrich-Schäffer, 1851), *Nonagria typhae* (Thunberg, 1784), *Photedes morrisii* (Morris, 1837), *Apamea epomidion* (Haworth, 1809), *Litoligia literosa* (Haworth, 1809), *Mesoligia furuncula* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Episema tersa* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Episema korsakovi* (Christoph, 1885), *Mesogona acetosellae* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Anchoscelis humilis* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Sunira circellaris* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Conistra vaccinii* (Linnaeus, 1761), *Conistra rubiginea* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Lithophane ornitopus* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Scotochrosta pulla* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Dryobotodes eremita* (Fabricius, 1775), *Dryobotodes monochroma* (Esper, [1790]), *Dryobotodes servadeii* Parenzan, 1982, *Dryobotodes tenebrosa* (Esper, [1789]), *Dasypolia templi vecchimontium* Ronkay & Varga, 1985, *Polia nebulosa* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Lacanobia thalassina* (Hufnagel, 1766), *Lacanobia contigua* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Mamestra brassicae* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Hadena syriaca podolica* (Kremky, 1937), *Chersotis rectangula* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Chersotis margaritacea* (de Villers, 1789), *Noctua interposita* (Hübner, 1790), *Xestia baja* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Xestia stigmatica* (Hübner, [1813]) and *Opigena polygona* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775)

Four species: *Eremobia ochroleuca asiatica* Draudt, 1936, *Mythimna impura* (Hübner, [1808]), *Chersotis fimbriola* (Esper, [1803]),

Chersotis laeta (Rebel, 1904) are proved to be part of the Albanian fauna.

A second report (with new localities) is given here for 51 species. They are: *Meganola togatulalis* (Hübner, 1796), *Pseudoips prasinana* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Lymantria monacha* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Ocneria terebinthi* (Freyer, 1838), *Cybosia mesomella* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Nodaria nodosalis* (Herrich-Schäffer, 1851), *Zethes insularis* Rambur, 1833, *Autographa jota* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Amphipyra tragopoginis* (Clerck, 1759), *Meganephria bimaculosa* (Linnaeus, 1767), *Cryphia algae* (Fabricius, 1775), *Bryophyla ereptricula* (Treitschke, 1825), *Oria musculosa* (Hübner, [1808]), *Lamprosticta culta* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Spodoptera littoralis* (Boisduval, 1833), *Caradrina aspersa* Rambur, 1834, *Hoplodrina superstes* (Ochsenheimer, 1816), *Cleoceris scoriacea* (Esper, [1789]), *Anchoscelis lychnidis* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Anchoscelis helvola* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Dicycla oo* (Linnaeus, 1758), *Dryobotodes carbonis* (Wagner, 1931), *Aporophyla nigr*a (Haworth, 1809), *Hadena magnolii* (Boisduval, 1829), *Mythimna conigera* ([Denis & Schiffermüler], 1775), *Mythimna straminea* (Treitschke, 1825), *Dichagyris forcipula* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775), *Euxoa distinguenda distincta* Staudinger, 1892, *Euxoa cos* (Hübner, [1824]), *Noctua tertia* von Mentzer, Moberg & Fibiger, 1991, *Eugnorisma depuncta* (Linnaeus, 1761), and some more.

Except where stated, material was collected by S. Beshkov and Ana Nahirnić together, so the names of the collectors do not appear in other places in the text. Exceptions were above Zvezdë Village, 6.VII.2016 and 23.IX.2016, when material was collected by S. Beshkov, A. Vaso & A. Nahirnić and in October 2007, when material was collected by S. Beshkov, J. Buszko, & B. Zlatkov. Several species from Golobrdo Mts, were collected by P. Beron.

Collecting methodology involved 2-3 portable light traps with an 8 watt actinic (368 nm) and 8 watt "Blacklight", both powered by 12 volt batteries, as well as a Finnish "tent trap" with a 160 watt MV bulb at the top of the pole and a 20 watt (368 nm) black light over the catching pot below. An additional 20 watt (368nm) lamp was also positioned about 70 metres from the tent trap. All traps ran throughout the night.

All genitalia slides were photographed by S. Beshkov with a Zeiss stereo microscope Stemi 2000-C with axioCam eRc 5s. Genitalia slides are fixed on glass in Euparal, solitary everted vesicas were photographed in alcohol before mounting on glass. All genitalia were stained with Eosin Red. Insects are photographed with Sony DSChX400v digital camera. All trips were self-financed by the authors and undertaken in their own time.
Sequence and nomenclature used here, follow Fibiger, Ronkay, Yela & Zilli (2010) with incorporated subsequent changes from recent taxonomic revisions. Localities in the list below are in geographical order from north to south and from west to east. In the list with the species, localities are arranged chronologically.

Collecting localities (map 1):

1. Shkallë: Tirana County, Mt Dajti, near Shkallë Village, 893 m, N41°19'49"; E019°57'55", *Quercus*, *Castanea*, *Spartium*, *Juniperus oxycedrus*, *Artemisia alba* (fig. 1).
2. Ostren i Vogël: Dibër County, Bulqizë Municipality, Golobrdo Mts, between Klenjë and Ostren i Vogël villages, 1186 m, N41°24'19"; E020°28'41", *Corylus avellana*, *Corylus colurna*, *Acer*, *Quercus*, *Carpinus*, light forest on limestone area. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
3. Stan-Karbunarë: Fier County, Lushnjë Municipality, above Stan-Karbunarë village, 64 m, N40°55'03"; E019°43'57", olives and ruderal in disused quarry on sandy hill. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
4. Vukopoles: Berat County, Poliçan municipality, Vukopoles river gorge, between its confluence to Osumi river between Vale and Ibrollara villages, N40°33'36"; E020°05'38", 217 m, high maquis in river valley. Collecting locality is described and illustrated in Nahirnić & Beshkov (2017).
5. Strelcë: Korçë County, Maliq Municipality, Devolli Gorge, near Strelcë Village, 755 m, N40°43'18"; E020°31'35", serpentinite slopes with *Quercus trojana*, *Cotinus coggygria*, *Colutaea*, *Carpinus*, *Fraxinus ornus*, *Astaragalus*, etc. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
6. Klocë: Korçë County, Maliq municipality, above Klocë Village, near the antennae, 1217 m, N40°41'02"; E020°41'40", grassy slopes with *Corylus avellana* on the top. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
7. Korita: Mali i Thatë (in the Republic of Macedonia: Galičica Mts), above Bregas (=Korita) Village, 1485 m, N40°48'34"; E020°50'05", overgrazed imestone slopes with *Astragalus*, *Crataegus*, etc. (fig. 2).
8. Zvezdë: Korçë County, Mt. Ivan above Zvezdë Village on the road to Prespa Lake, 1088 m, N40°43'59"; E020°52'49", limestone slopes with *Buxus* and *Carpinus*. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
9. Prespa Lake: Prespa Lake, Pustec municipality, vicinity of Zrnosko (=Zrnoshkë) village, shore with Typha and Phragmites near Pustec Village, 849 m, N40°46'14"; E020°54'32", lamps on generator (fig. 3).
10. Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m: Prespa Lake, Pustec Municipality, vicinity of Zrnosko (=Zrnoshkë) Village, 862 m, N40°46'27"; E020°54'13", slopes with *Paliurus*, *Quercus*, etc., one light trap (fig. 4).
11. Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 878 m: Prespa Lake, Pustec Municipality, vicinity of Zrnosko (=Zrnoshkë) Village, 878 m, N40°46'27"; E020°54'09", slopes with *Paliurus*, *Quercus*, etc., two light traps, as above but a little higher (fig. 4).
12. Dishnicë: Korçë County, Korçë municipality, Mt. Morava, above Dishnicë Village, 1564 m, N40°38'52"; E020°51'28", mountain stony meadows, *Corylus avellana*, *Polypodium*, etc. Habitat is illustrated in Nahirnić & Beshkov (2018).
13. Drenovë: Korçë County, Korçë municipality, above Drenovë Village, 1050 m, N40°35'18"; E020°48'23", river valley in serpentinite slopes with *Artemisia alba*, *Acantholimon*, etc. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
14. Boboshticë: Korçë County, Korçë municipality between Dardhë and Boboshticë Villages, 1225 m, N40°32'26"; E020°47'31", above valley on serpentinite slopes with *Juniperus* and scarce grass vegetation. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
15. Dardhë: Korçë County, Korçë municipality, near Dardhë Village, 1276 m, N40°31'34"; E020°49'33", meadow near stream with *Salix*, *Fagus* forest and hill with spiny *Astragalus* (fig. 5).
16. Pepellash, 1187 m: Korçë County, Mt. Kuq, Qarrit Pass, below Pepellash Village, 1187 m, N40°28'54"; E020°40'32", stony slopes with clearings in degraded forest of *Quercus cerris* and *Q. pubescens* with *Juniperus communis* and *Pinus nigra*. Habitat is illustrated in Nahirnić & Beshkov (2018).

17. Pepellash, 1318 m: Korçë County, Mt. Kuq, Qarrit Pass, below Pepellash Village, 1318m, N40°28'55''; E020°41'27'', stony slopes with clearings in degraded forest of *Quercus cerris* and *Q. pubescens* with *Juniperus communis* and *Pinus nigra* (fig. 6).
18. Llogara: Vlorë County, Llogara Pass, Mali i Cikes, 1050 m, N40°12'09''; E019°35'31'', burned slopes above sea, coast with *Phlomis fruticosa* near *Pinus* forest, light traps (fig. 7).
19. Palasë: Vlorë County Ionian Sea Coast, Palasë Village near Dhërmi, 274 m, N40°10'35''; E019°36'21'', limestone slopes with *Quercus coccifera* and *Phlomis fruticosa*, above *Quercus macrolepis* old trees. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
20. Ilias, 153 m: Ionian Sea Coast, St. Theodor Monastery near Ilias Village, Dhërmi district, 153 m, N40°07'52''; E019°39'19'', Maquis with *Quercus macrolepis*, *Arbutus unedo*, *Pistacia lentiscus*, *Cupressus*, etc. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
21. Ilias, 140 m: Ionian Sea Coast, below St. Theodor Monastery near Ilias Village, Dhërmi District, 140 m, N40°07'52''; E019°39'21''. Habitat as above.
22. Kolonjë: Gjirokastër County, Gjirokastër Municipality near Kolonjë Village, 616 m, N40°09'57''; E020°00'20'', slopes with *Phlomis fruticosa*, *Pistacia*, *Ficus* (fig. 8).
23. Benjë-Novoselë: Gjirokastër County, Përmet municipality, near Benjë-Novoselë Village, 437 m, N40°14'39''; E020°25'22'', Maquis, *Arbutus unedo*, *Pistacia* (fig. 9).
24. Bistricë: Gjirokastër County, Finiq Municipality, above Bistricë Village, 116 m, N39°55'14''; E020°07'53'', Maquis with *Arbutus*, *Quercus coccifera*, *Pistacia lentiscus, Cystus* sp., etc. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
25. Bistricë-Syri i Kaltër: Gjirokastër County, Finiq municipality, in a small valley between Bistricë Village and the crossroad to Syri i Kaltër, 127m., N39°55'53"; E020°09'13", near stream with *Platanus orientalis*, *Quercus coccifera*, *Q. ilex*, *Pistacia lentiscus*, *Cystus*, etc. (fig. 10).
26. Bistricë river: Gjirokastër County, Finiq municipality, Bistricë river valley, near the crossroad to Syri i Kaltër, 136m., N39°55'03"; E020°11'03", *Platanus orientalis* forest.
27. Syri i Kaltër: Gjirokastër County, Finiq municipality, Syri i Kaltër spring near Bistritsë Village, 155m, N39°55'23"; E020°11'30", *Platanus*, *Populus* near wet land in maquis (fig. 11).
28. Muzina - Dhrovjan: Gjirokastër County, Finiq Municipality, above Muzinë Village, the road to Dhrovjan Village, 389 m, N39°54'52''; E020°12'06", Maquis, *Quercus*, *Castanea sativa*, *Erica arborea*, *Paliurus spina-christi*, *Pistacia*, *Spartium junceum* (fig. 12).
29. Ksamil: Ionian Sea Coast near Ksamil, between Butrint and Sarandë Town, 56 m, N39°48'31''; E020°0027'', Maquis with *Quercus coccifera*, *Paliurus spina-christi*, *Phlomis fruticosa* etc. Collecting locality is illustrated in Beshkov (2018).
30. Butrint: Ionian Sea Coast, Lake Butrint lagoon, near the opening to Sea, 18 m., N39°44'47''; E019°59'49'', Maquis, *Quercus coccifera*, *Paliurus*, *Phlomis fruticosa* near salt lagoon with halophytic vegetation. Lamps and traps were positioned on the hill and near the waterline (fig. 13).

List of the species

Familia Nolidae Bruand, 1846

Subfamilia Nolinae Bruand, 1846

Meganola gigantula (Staudinger, 1879): Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 3 ♀♀ (fig. 14) and 1 ♂. New species for Albania.

Meganola togatulalis (Hübner, 1796): Palasë, 6.VI.2016, 1 ♀; Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 1 ♂; Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Vukopoles, 10.VIII.2016; Ibid, 25.IX.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 15). Second report for Albania. Known from Kula e Lumës (Rebel & Zerny, 1931).

Nola cucullatella (Linnaeus, 1758): Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 16). New species for Albania. The locality Galičica reported by Rebel & Zerny (1931), following the report of Drenowsky (1930) is in the Republic of Macedonia, not in Albania.

Subfamilia Chloephorinae Stainton, 1859

Pseudoips prasinana (Linnaeus, 1758) (= *fagana* Fabricius, 1781): Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. Second locality for Albania. Known from Beshtriq (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965).

Familia Erebidae Leach, [1815]

Hypena proboscidalis (Linnaeus, 1758): Librazhd District, Golobrdo Mts, Stebleve Village, 1100 m, 16.-22.VI.2007, P. Beron leg., S. Beshkov det.; Strelcë, 5.VI.2016; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. New species for Albania. Data of Rebel & Zerny (1931) for Novoselo is not from Albania (Heinicke, 1965).

Subfamilia Lymantriinae Hampson, [1893]

Lymantria monacha (Linnaeus, 1758): Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. Known only from Vermosh (Misja, 1978). Second report for Albania.

Ocneria terebinthi (Freyer, 1838): Palasë, 6.VI.2016, 1 ♂; Vukopoles, 10.VIII.2016, 1 ♂; Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017. Known before only from Kula e Lumës (Rebel & Zerny, 1931). Second report for Albania.

Subfamilia Herminiinae Leach, 1815

Nodaria nodosalis (Herrich-Schäffer, 1851): Nivice Bubar near Sarandë, 120 m, N39°55'27''; E019°59'03'', 21.X.2007, S. Beshkov, J. Buszko, & B. Zlatkov leg. at light trap, 1 ♀; Ksamil, 18.X.2016, 1 ♂ and 2 ♀♀ (fig. 17). Known only from Miloti (Rebel & Zerny, 1931, Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Tribus Lithosiini Billberg, 1820

Cybosia mesomella (Linnaeus, 1758): Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017. Known only from Kruma (Rebel & Zerny, 1931). Second report for Albania.

Eilema pseudocomplana (Daniel, 1938): Ostren i Vogël, 12.VIII.2016, 3 ♂♂ (fig. 18), Gen. prep. 1./21.IV.2017, S. Beshkov, ♂ genitalia with everted vesica on glass in euparal (fig. 19); Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m, 19.VIII.2017; Prespa Lake, 19.VIII.2017; Korita, 20.VIII.2017; Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. New species for Albania.

Eilema sororcula (Hufnagel, 1766): Vukopoles, 10.VIII.2016, 1 ♂; Bistricë - Syri i Kaltër, 13.V.2017; Butrint, 14.V.2017 and 28.VI.2017; Ilias, 140 m, 15.V.2017; Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017. Known only from Butrint (Beshkov, Misja & Abadjiev, 1996). Second report for Albania.

Subfamilia Toxocampinae Guenée, 1852

Lygephila procax (Hübner, [1813]) (= *limosa* Treitschke, 1826): Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 1 ♀, Vukopoles, 25.IX.2016; Ibid, 10.VIII.2016,

2 ♂♂ (fig. 20); Bistricë, 19.X.2016, Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017; Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m, 19.VIII.2017; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017 and 23.VIII.2017; Benjë-Novoselë, 20.X.2017. New species for Albania.

Autophila ligaminosa (Eversmann, 1851): Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 1 ♂, Gen. prep. 1./18.III.2017, S. Beshkov, ♂ genitalia with everted vesica on glass in Euparal (figs 21-23). New species for Albania. Perhaps all or some of the reports in the literature for *Autophila anaphanes* Boursin, 1940 and *Autophila cataphanes* (Hübner, [1813]) concern *A. ligaminosa* (Eversmann).

Subfamilia Boletobiinae Grote, 1895

Laspeyria flexula ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 2 ♀♀; Vukopoles, 10.VIII.2016, 1 ♀ and 25.IX.2917, 1 ♂; Bistricë - Syri i Kaltër, 13.V.2017; Ilias, 140 m, 15.V.2017. Known from Marikaj near Tirana and Fusha-Kuqe (Misja, 1976). Second report for Albania.

Metachrostis dardouini (Boisduval, 1840): Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 24); Bistricë, 7.VI.2016, 2 ♂♂. New species for Albania.

Subfamilia Erebinae Leach, [1815]

Catephia alchymista ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Ilias, 140 m, 15.V.2017; Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. Known only from Butrint (Misja, 1980). Second report for Albania.

Zethes insularis Rambur, 1833: Ilias, 140 m, 15.V.2017. Known only from Butrint (Beshkov & Misja, 1995). Second report for Albania.

Catocala separata (Freyer, 1847): Vukopoles, 10.VIII.2016, 2 ♂♂ (fig. 25). New species for Albania.

Catocala nymphagoga (Esper, 1787): Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017; Butrint, 28.VI.2017; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017. Known only from Kula e Lumës and Tirana (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Familia Noctuidae Latreille, 1809

Subfamilia Plusiinae Boisduval, [1828]

Autographa jota (Linnaeus, 1758): Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017. Known only from Quarrishta [near Librazhd] (Misja, 1976). Second report for Albania.

Subfamilia Acontiinae Guenée, 1841

Acontia titania (Esper, [1798]) (= *urania* Frivaldsky, 1835): Stan-Karbunarë, 11.VIII.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 26). New species for Albania.

Subfamilia Acronictinae Heinemann, 1859

Simyra nervosa ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Klocë, 4.VII.2016. New species for Albania.

Subfamilia Metoponinae Herrich-Schäffer, [1851]

Haemerosia renalis (Hübner, [1813]): Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 3 ♂♂ (fig. 27); Drenovë, 7.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Ibid, 9.VIII.2016, 2 ♂♂. New genus and a new species for Albania.

Subfamilia Cuculliinae Herrich-Schäffer, [1850]

Tribus Cucullini Herrich-Schäffer, [1850]

Cucullia santonici (Hübner, [1813]): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 7 ♂♂ and 1 ♀ (fig.); Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016, 1 ♂ with reduced orbicular spot, replaced by white scales (fig. 28). New species for Albania.

Shargacucullia thapsiphaga (Treitschke, 1826) [= *lanceolata* (Villers, 1789), nomen dubium]: Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂, genitalia with everted vesica checked and 1 ♀ (fig. 29). The locality Galičica reported by Rebel & Zerny (1931) - after Drenowsky (1930) is in the Republic of Macedonia, not in Albania (Heinicke, 1965). New species for Albania.

Subfamilia Amphipyrinae Guenée, 1837

Amphipyra tragopoginis (Clerck, 1759): Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. Known only from Beshtriq (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Amphipyra tetra (Fabricius, 1787): Ostren i Vogël, 12.VIII.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 30). New species for Albania.

Amphipyra micans Lederer, 1857: Drenovë, 9.VIII.2016. New species for Albania.

Subfamilia Psaphidinae Grote, 1896

Meganephria bimaculosa (Linnaeus, 1767): Butrint, 22.X.2017; Bistricë river, 19.X.2016, 1 ♂ at light trap. Known only from Butrint (Misja, 1980). Second report for Albania.

Lamprosticta culta ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 1 ♂; Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Drenovë, 7.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017 and 23.VIII.2017. Known only from Llogara (Misja, 1980). Second report for Albania.

Subfamilia Heliothinae Boisduval, [1828]

Protoschinia scutosa ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Stan-Karbunarë, 11.VIII.2016. New genus and new species for Albania.

Heliothis incarnata (Freyer, [1838]): Palasë, 6.VI.2016, 2 ♀♀ (fig. 31); Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Drenovë, 24.VI.2017; Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. New species for Albania.

Subfamilia Bryophilinae Guenée, 1852

Bryophila ereptricula (Treitschke, 1825): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂ - not typical (fig. 32), Gen. prep. 2./22.IV.2017, S. Beshkov, ♂ genitalia with everted vesica (fig. 33); Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Drenovë, 7.VII.2016, 3 ♂♂; Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016, 3 ♂♂; Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017. Known from Korab (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Nyctobrya amasina (Draudt, 1931): Drenovë, 9.VIII.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 34), Gen. prep. 2./04.V.2017, S. Beshkov, ♀ genitalia on glass in euparal (fig. 35). The ♀ genitalia of *Nyctobria muralis* (Forster, 1771) and *N. amasina* (Draudt) show not very significant differences and corresponds well to those illustrated in Hacker (1989), but the genitalia of *N. amasina* (Draudt) from Turkey, illustrated in Fibiger, Ronkay, Steiner & Zilli (2009) looks different. New species for Albania.

Nyctobrya muralis (Forster, 1771): Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 36), Gen. prep. 1./04.V.2017, S. Beshkov, ♀ genitalia on glass in euparal (fig. 37). Reported from Kula e Lumës (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965), Mamurras [near Kruja] (Misja, 1976). Very possible this species is confused with *N. amasina* (Draudt), due to misidentification. On the Balkans *N. amasina* (Draudt)

is well distributed, whereas the presence of *N. muralis* (Forster) in the southern Balkans is questionable.

Subfamilia Xyleninae Guenée, 1837

Spodoptera littoralis (Boisduval, 1833): Stan-Karbunarë, 11.VIII.2016, 1 ♂ and 1 ♀; Ilias, 153 m, 17.X.2016, 3 ♂♂ and 2 ♀♀; Ksamil, 18.X.2016, 1 ♂. Known from Ionian Sea Coast, Dhërmi Village (Beshkov, 1995). Second report for Albania.

Caradrina morpheus (Hufnagel, 1766): Drenovë, 24.VI.2017; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017. Known only from Tommorica (Misja, 1980). Second report for Albania.

Caradrina aspersa Rambur, 1834: Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m, 19.VIII.2017; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017 and 23.VIII.2017. Known only fromTirana (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Caradrina gilva (Donzel, 1837): Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 2 ♂♂ and 2 ♀♀; Drenovë, 7.VII.2016, 8 ♂♂ and 3 ♀♀; Ibid, 9.VIII.2016, 3 ♂♂ (fig. 38); Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017. New species for Albania.

Caradrina flavirena Guenée, 1852: Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m, 19.VIII.2017; Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. Known before from Ionian Sea Coast: Dhërmi and Butrint and from Fushe Lekli near Tepelene (Beshkov, Misja & Abadjiev, 1996). Second report for Albania.

Hoplodrina superstes (Ochsenheimer, 1816): Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m, 19.VIII.2017. Known before only from Kula e Lumës (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Atypha pulmonaris (Esper, 1790): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, abundand; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017. Known before only from Kula e Lumës (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Charanyca apfelbecki (Rebel, 1901): Strelcë, 5.VI.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 39); Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. New genus and new species for Albania.

Anthracia eriopoda (Herrich-Schäffer, 1851): Vukopoles, 10.VIII.2016, 3 ♂♂ (fig. 40). New genus and new species for Albania.

Euplexia lucipara (Linnaeus, 1758): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. Known only from Quarrishta (Misja, 1976). Second report for Albania.

Calamia tridens (Hufnagel, 1766) (= *virens* Linnaeus, 1767; = *virens* var. *immaculata* Staudinger, 1871): Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016, 1 ♀. Known only from Beshtriq (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second locality for Albania.

Eremobia ochroleuca asiatica Draudt, 1936: Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 41) genitalia with everted vesica of one ♂ checked; Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, Gen. prep. 2./23.III.2017, S. Beshkov, ♂ genitalia with everted vesica (fig. 42) on glass in euparal; Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016. Genus and a species confirmed for Albania. Reports of Rebel & Zerny (1931) for *Eremobia o. ochroleuca* ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775) from Galičica are from the Republic of Macedonia (Heinicke, 1965) and must be reffered to *Eremobia o. asiatica* Draudt.

Luperina rubella (Duponchel, 1835): Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 3 ♂♂; Pepellash, 1318 m, 22.VIII.2017. Known from Gorica and Turan near Korçë, Quarrishta, Mborje (Misja, 1980). Second report for Albania.

Nonagria typhae (Thunberg, 1784): Stan-Karbunarë, 11.VIII.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 43). New genus and new species for Albania.

Oria musculosa (Hübner, [1808]): Bistricë, 7.VI.2016, 1 ♀; Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017. Known only from Vresera Village, Gjirokastra Region (Beshkov & Misja, 1995). Second report for Albania.

Photedes morrisii (Morris, 1837): Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 44), genitalia with everted vesica checked. New genus and a new species for Albania.

Apamea epomidion (Haworth, 1809): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♀; Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 45). New species for Albania.

Apamea anceps ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Bistricë-Syri i Kaltër, 13.V.2017. Known only from Vermosh (Misja, 1976). Second locality for Albania.

Litoligia literosa (Haworth, 1809): Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♂, 1 ♀; Drenovë, 7.VII.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 46). New genus and new species for Albania.

Mesoligia furuncula ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Klocë, 4.VII.2016; Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016; Drenovë, 9.VIII.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 47); Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m, 19.VIII.2017; Korita, 20.VIII.2017; Pepellash, 1318 m, 22.VIII.2017; Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. New genus and new species for Albania.

Episema tersa ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Llogara, 20.X.2007, 2 ♂♂ collected together with *E. glaucina* (Esper, [1789]); Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 4 ♂♂ (fig. 48), Gen. prep. 1./22.IV.2017, ♂ genitalia with everted vesica (fig. 49); Butrint, 22.X.2017. New species for Albania.

Episema korsakovi (Christoph, 1885): Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 4 ♂♂; Drenovë, 24.IX.2016 , 2 ♂♂ (fig. 50). New species for Albania.

Cleoceris scoriacea (Esper, [1789]): Drenovë, 24.IX.2016, 2 ♂♂. Known from Butrint (Misja, 1976). Second locality in Albania.

Mesogona acetosellae ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 51); Pepellash, 1187 m, 19.X.2017. New genus and a new species for Albania.

Anchoscelis lychnidis ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775) (= *pistacina* [Denis & Schifermüler], 1775): Pepellash, 1187 m, 19.X.2017. Known from Shkodra (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). The report from Quarrishta near Librazhd (Misja, 1976) seems to be wrong, due to collecting time (10.VII.) of this late autumn species. Second report for Albania.

Anchoscelis humilis ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Pepellash, 1187 m, 19.X.2017; Muzina - Dhrovjan, 21.X.2017. New species for Albania.

Anchoscelis helvola (Linnaeus, 1758): Prespa Lake, 18.X.2017; Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 878 m, 18.X.2017; Pepellash, 1187 m, 19.X.2017. Known only from Krraba Pass (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Sunira circellaris (Hufnagel, 1766): Prespa Lake, 18.X.2017; Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 878 m, 18.X.2017; Pepellash, 1187 m, 19.X.2017; Benjë-Novoselë, 20.X.2017. New genus and new species for Albania.

Conistra vaccinii (Linnaeus, 1761): Vukopoles, 16.X.2016. New species for Albania.

Conistra rubiginea ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Prespa Lake, 18.X.2017; Pepellash, 1187 m, 19.X.2017. New species for Albania.

Conistra erythrocephala ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Prespa Lake, 18.X.2017; Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 878 m, 18.X.2017; Muzina - Dhrovjan, 21.X.2017. Known from Vorra, Babja (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Lithophane ornitopus (Hufnagel, 1766): Prespa Lake, 18.X.2017; Benjë-Novoselë, 20.X.2017; Muzina - Dhrovjan, 21.X.2017. New genus and a new species for Albania.

Cosmia confinis Herrich-Schäffer, 1849: Shkallë, 29.VI.2017. Known before only from Butrint (Beshkov & Misja, 1995). Second report for Albania.

Dicycla oo (Linnaeus, 1758): Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017. Known before only from Kula e Lumës (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

Scotochrosta pulla ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Vukopoles, 16.X.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 52). New genus and a new species for Albania.
Dryobotodes eremita (Fabricius, 1775): Pepellash, 1187 m, 19.X.2017. New species for Albania.
Dryobotodes monochroma (Esper, [1790]): Ilias, 153 m, 17.X.2016, 5 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (fig. 53), Gen. prep. 1./21.III.2017, S. Beshkov, ♂ genitalia with everted vesica on glass in Euparal (figs 54-56). New species for Albania.
Dryobotodes servadeii Parenzan, 1982: Ilias, 153 m, 17.X.2016, 5 ♂♂ (figs 57-58), Gen. prep. 1./22.III.2017, S. Beshkov, ♂ genitalia with everted vesical on glass in Euparal (fig. 59) and 5 ♀♀. New species for Albania.
Dryobotodes carbonis (Wagner, 1931): Ilias, 153 m, 17.X.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 60). Known before from Kalca (Beshkov, Misja & Abadjiev, 1996). Second report for Albania.
Dryobotodes tenebrosa (Esper, [1789]): Ilias, 153 m, 17.X.2016, 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀; Ksamil, 18.X.2016, 2 ♂♂ (fig. 61), 1 ♀. New species for Albania.
Aporophyla nigra (Haworth, 1809): Vukopoles, 16.X.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 62). Known before only from Tirana (Misja, 1976). Second locality in Albania.
Dasypolia templi vecchimontium Ronkay & Varga, 1985: Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 63). New genus and a new species for Albania.
Polymixis rufocincta (Geyer, 1828): Llogara, 20.X.2007, 1 ♂; Benja-Novoselë, 20.X.2017. Known before only from Shkodra (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.
Polymixis culoti (Schawerda, 1921): Ilias, 153 m, 17.X.2016, 2 ♂♂ (fig. 64); Ksamil, 18.X.2016, 1 ♂. Known from Ionian Sea Coast only: Dhërmi Village (Beshkov, 1995) and Butrint (Beshkov, Misja & Abadjiev, 1996).
Anarta mendax occidentalis Hacker, 1998: Drenovë, 7.VII.2016, 2 ♂♂ (fig. 65); Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017. Known from Skranan and Vlora (Beshkov, Misja & Abadjiev, 1996). Second report for Albania.
Polia nebulosa (Hufnagel, 1766): Drenovë, 7.VII.2016; Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. New species for Albania.
Lacanobia thalassina (Hufnagel, 1766): Librazhd District, Golobrdo Mts, Stebleve Village, 1100 m, 16.-22.VI.2007, P. Beron leg., S. Beshkov det., 1 ♂. New species for Albania.
Lacanobia contigua ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. New species for Albania.
Ceramica pisi (Linnaeus, 1758): Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. Known before from Bizë near Shëngjergji and Korab (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.
Mamestra brassicae (Linnaeus, 1758): Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m, 19.VIII.2017; Prespa Lake, 19.VIII.2017. The locality Galičica reported by Rebel & Zerny (1931) is in Republic of Macedonia, not in Albania (Heinicke, 1965). New genus and new species for Albania.
Hadena magnolii (Boisduval, 1829): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Bistricë - Syri i Kaltër, 13.V.2017, Drenovë, 24.VI.2017; Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017. Known before only from Poliçan (Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.
Hadena albimacula (Borkhausen, 1792): Korçë County, above Klocë Village; above Drenovë Village; Golobrdo Mts, Between Klenja and Ostren i Vogël villages (Beshkov, 2018). New data: Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017. Second report for Albania.
Hadena syriaca podolica (Kremky, 1937): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 5 ♂♂ (fig. 66), 9 ♀♀; Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016; Drenovë, 7.VII.2016, 1 ♂. New species for Albania.
Mythimna conigera ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017. Known before only from Gashturan near Tropoja (Misja, 1980). Second report for Albania.
Mythimna impura (Hübner, [1808]): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 67); Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♀. Reported before from Tirana and Vlora (Misja, 1980). These costal and low altitude localities suspect incorrect identification and these localities can concern more likely *M. pallens* (Linnaeus, 1758). Here *M. impura* (Hbn.) is reported as proved to occur in Albania.
Mythimna straminea (Treitschke, 1825): Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 68). Known before from Laguna Patok near Loc [Laç] (Beshkov, 1995). Second locality in Albania.
Mythimna alopecuri (Boisduval, 1840): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀ (fig. 69). New species for Albania.
Mythimna riparia (Rambur, 1829): Palasë, 6.VI.2016, 1 ♂; Bistricë, 7.VI.2016, 2 ♂♂, 1 ♀; Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 1 ♂ (fig. 70). Known before from Laguna Patok near Loc [Laç] and from Kushi Village near Tirana (Beshkov, 1995). Second report for Albania.

Subfamilia Noctuinae Latreille, 1809

Dichagyris forcipula ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Drenovë, 24.VI.2017; Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017; Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017. Known before only from Kula e Lumës (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.
Euxoa temera (Hübner, [1808]): Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 1 ♀; Drenovë, 24.IX.2016, 1 ♀. Known before from Kushi near Tirana and from Ionian Sea Coast: Dhërmi Village (Beshkov, 1995). Second report for Albania.
Euxoa distinguenda distincta Staudinger, 1892: Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 2 ♂♂; Drenovë, 24.IX.2016, 2 ♂♂ (fig. 71); Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. Know before from Turani near Korçë (Beshkov & Misja, 1995), wrongly reported before as *Euxoa obelisca* ([Denis & Schiffermüller]) (Misja, 1976). According to Heinicke (1965), the report of Rebel & Zerny (1931) from Galiciča is for the Republic of Macedonia. Second report for Albania.
Euxoa cos (Hübner, [1824]): Ostren i Vogël, 12.VIII.2016, 1 ♂; Korita, 20.VIII.2017; Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. Known before from Fusha Kuqe (Beshkov, Misja & Abadjiev, 1996). Second report for Albania.
Chersotis rectangula ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Klocë, 4.VII.2016; Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017. New species for Albania.
Chersotis fimbriola thurneri Varga, Gyulai, Ronkay, L. & G. Ronkay, 2013 (= *fimbriola forsteri* Thurner, 1964, nom. praeocc.): Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016, 4 ♂♂ (fig. 72), wingspan 29,5 mm and 1 ♀ (fig. 73), wingspan 31.5mm.; Drenovë, 07.VII.2016, 1 "m". Known before from Vermoshi: Ujanik (Beshkov & Misja, 1995). The reports of Rebel & Zerny (1931) and of Heinicke (1965) for *Ch. fimbriola* (Esp.) from Albania perhaps concern *Chersotis laeta leonhardi* (Rebel, 1904), but both species in some localities are syntopic and synchronic. According to Varga et al. (2013), the distribution of *Ch. fimbriola thurneri* Varga et al. is restricted to Macedonia and Greece. In Dardhë area both *Ch. fimbriola thurneri* Varga et al. and *Ch. laeta leonhardi* (Rbl.) occur together.
Chersotis laeta leonhardi (Rebel, 1904): Known before from Mali me Gropë (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965) as *Ch. fimbriola* (Esp.) (see also under that species). New confirmed data for Albania are: Drenovë, 7.VII.2016, 5 ♂♂ (fig. 74), wingspan 32mm and 4 ♀♀ (fig. 75), wingspan 30mm. According to Varga et al. (2013) *Ch. laeta leonhardi* (Rbl.) and *Ch. fimbriola thurneri* Varga at al. are syntopic and synchronic in the mountains of Macedonia (Shar Planina) and Greece (Tymphristos and Parnassos).

Both species can be easily split by wings colour [rusty brown in *Ch. fimbriola thurneri* Varga et al. to olive gray in *Ch. laeta leonhardi* (Rbl.)] and wings pattern, which colour is more contrasting and more distinct in *Ch. fimbriola thurneri* Varga et al.

Chersotis margaritacea (de Villers, 1789): Zvezdë, 23.IX.2016, 1 ♀ (fig. 76); Korita, 20.VIII.2017; Pepellash, 1318 m, 22.VIII.2017. New species for Albania.

Noctua interposita (Hübner, 1790): Klocë, 4.VII.2016; Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016; Drenovë, 7.VII.2016; Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016; Dishnicë, 25.VI.2017; Dardhë, 26.VI.2017; Korita, 20.VIII.2017. New species for Albania.

Noctua interjecta Hübner, [1803]: Bistricë, 7.VI.2016, 1 ♂, 1 ♀; Zvezdë, 6.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♂; Boboshticë, 8.VII.2016, 1 ♀; Kolonjë, 27.VI.2017; Butrint, 28.VI.2017; Shkallë, 29.VI.2017; Prespa Lake, 19.VIII.2017. Known before from Adriatic Sea Coast: Velipoja Beach near Shkodra and Curila near Durres (Beshkov, 1995). Second report for Albania.

Noctua tertia von Mentzer, Moberg & Fibiger, 1991: Stan-Karbunarë, 11.VIII.2016, 2 ♀♀ (fig. 77); Bistricë, 19.X.2016, 1 ♀. Known before from Shkodra Lake: Zogaj Village (Beshkov, 1995). Second report for Albania.

Xestia baja ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Pustec, above Prespa Lake, 862 m, 19.VIII.2017; Prespa Lake, 19.VIII.2017; Korita, 20.VIII.2017. New species for Albania.

Xestia stigmatica (Hübner, [1813]) (= *rhomboidea* Esper, [1790]): Prespa Lake, 19.VIII.2017; Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. New species for Albania.

Eugnorisma depuncta (Linnaeus, 1761): Shkallë, 23.VIII.2017. Known before only from Vermosh (Misja, 1976). Second report for Albania.

Opigena polygona ([Denis & Schiffermüller], 1775): Klocë, 4.VII.2016, 1 ♀. Known before only from Beshtriq (Rebel & Zerny, 1931; Heinicke, 1965). Second report for Albania.

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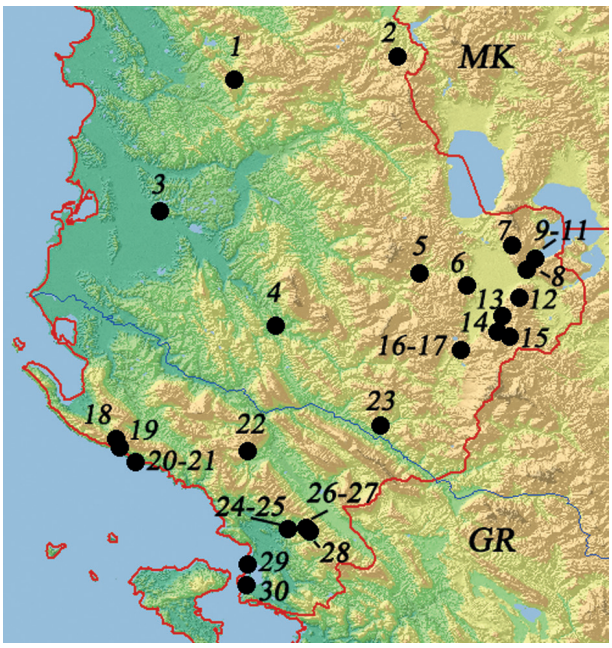

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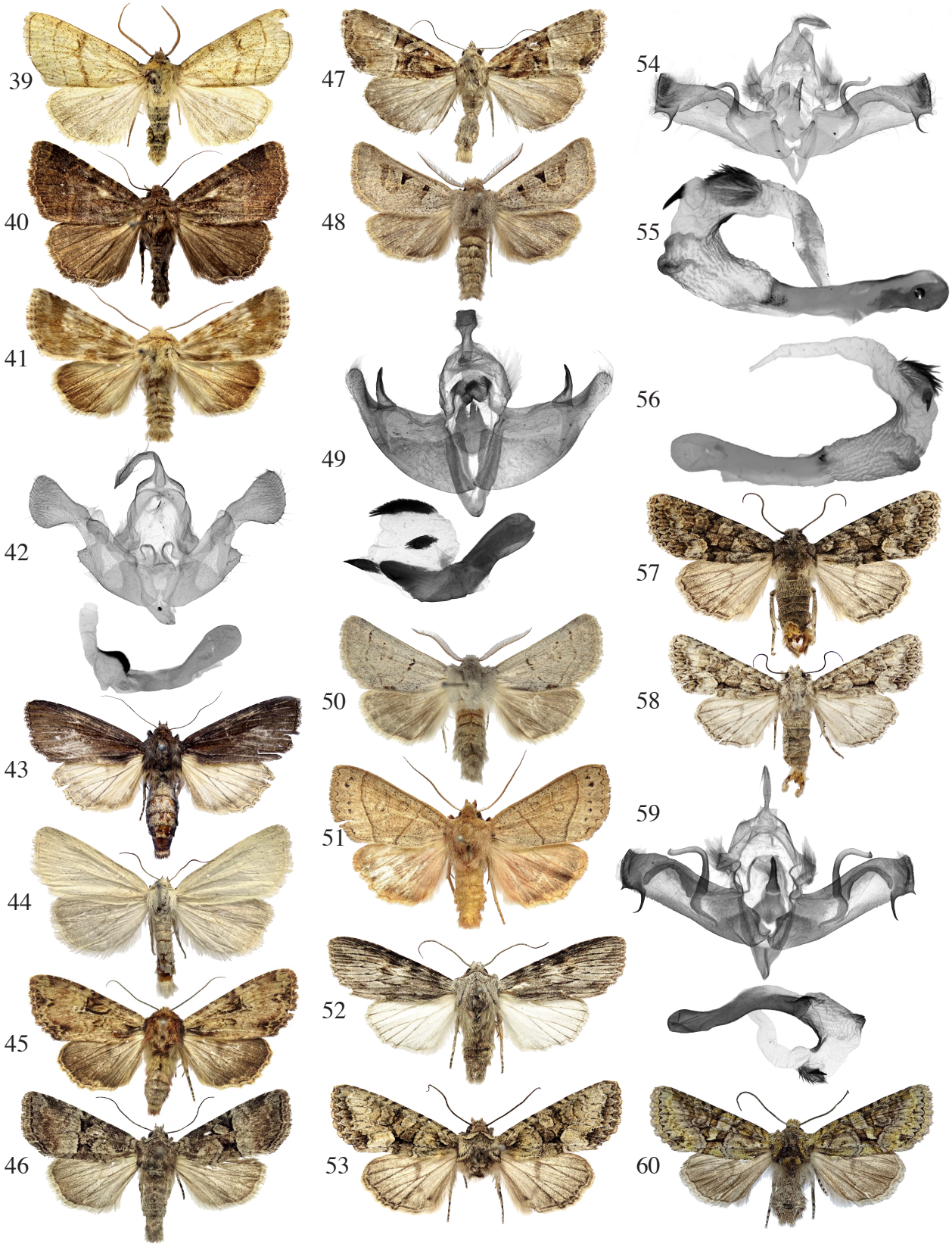

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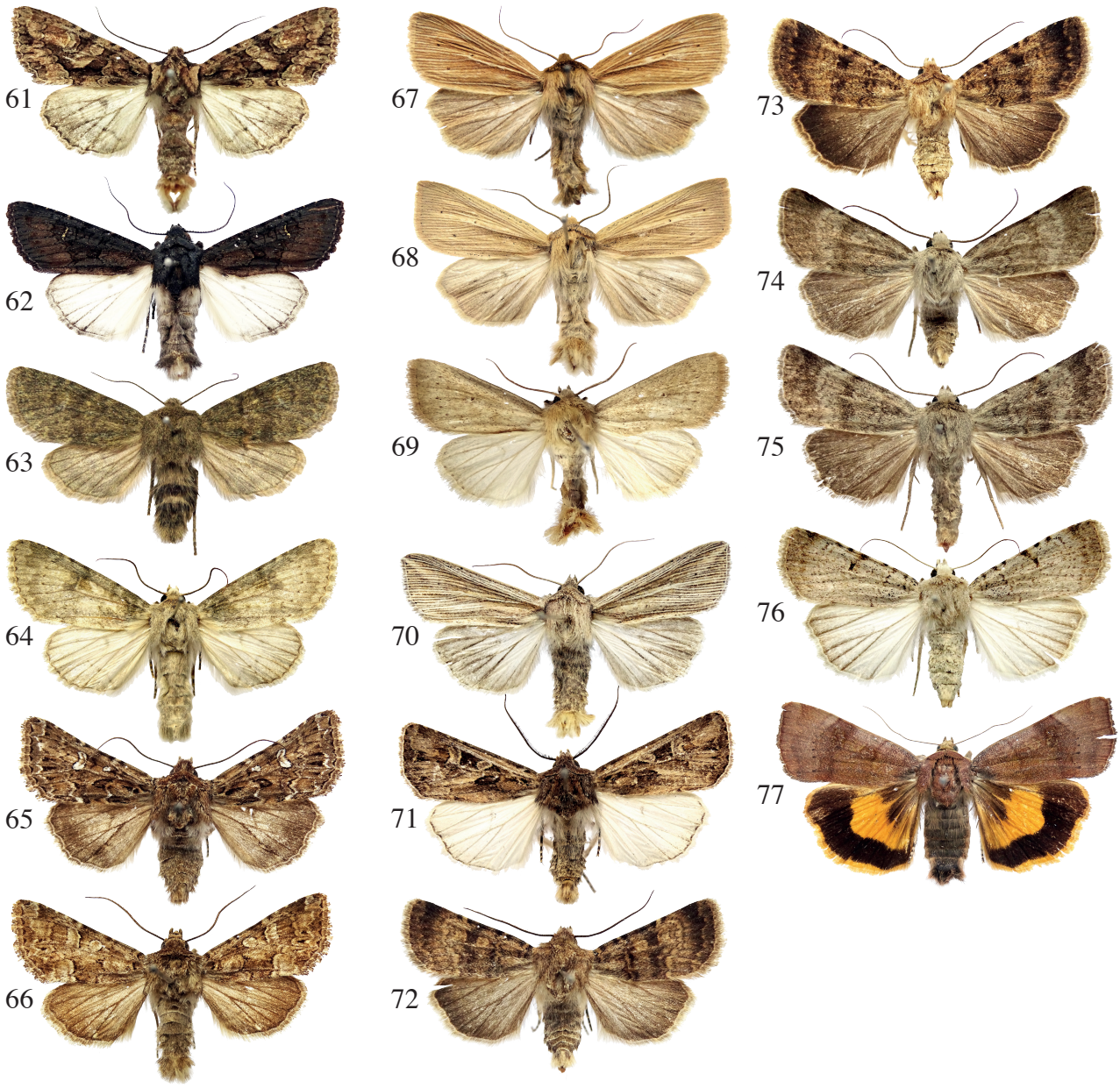

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