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PHOLIDOSIS VARIATIONS OF THE SAND LIZARD *LACERTA AGILIS* (LINNAEUS, 1758) AND COMMON LIZARD *ZOOTOCA VIVIPARA* (LICHTENSTEIN, 1823) FROM THE WESTERN PART OF THE TATARSTAN REPUBLIC

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The paper considers qualitative and quantitative characteristics of pholidosis variations in two lizard species, comparative analysis of these indices at both intraspecific and interspecific level is carried out. 45 and 19 types of deviations were observed in the sand lizard and common lizard respectively. Variations of the labial, supraocular and supraciliar, frontonasal, parietal, occipital and ventral scales are more common in both species. The sand lizards from the Spassky region differ from the others by some indices. Some common regularities in the deviation topography were noted for both species; they are perhaps characteristic of the genus *Lacerta* as a whole.

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