

**A new record of *Lacerta media* Lantz et Cyrén, 1920 (Reptilia, Lacertidae) in Talysh**

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The paper discusses the spread of the medium lizard, *Lacerta media*, in the Talysh Mountains on the territory of Republic of Azerbaijan. Earlier, findings of this species were known in the North-Western part of the Talysh only. A new record of the medium lizard from the Sym village in the Astara District of Azerbaijan is presented.

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