

**Rediscovery of the Caucasian Smooth Newt,  
*Lissotriton lantzi* (Wolterstorff, 1914) (Salamandridae, Amphibia) in North Ossetia–Alania**

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**Abstract.** Lantz's newt, or the Caucasian smooth newt, *Lissotriton lantzi*, is an endemic species for the Caucasian mountain-forest belt. In North Ossetia–Alania, only 4 findings of this newt are known in the Prigorodniy, Alagirskiy and Irafskiy districts. Since 1983, there has been no new information about any findings of *L. lantzi* in this region. On August 4, 2020, *L. lantzi* larvae were caught in a lake on the left shore of the Uruk River in the Irafskiy district. Newts live here in a beech forest at an altitude of 810 m. The authors assume that *L. lantzi* in North Ossetia–Alania inhabits the entire forest belt in the range of altitudes of 700–1000 m above sea level.

**Keywords:** *Lissotriton lantzi*, distribution, North Ossetia–Alania.

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