

**On findings of colour anomalies in the moor frog
Rana arvalis Nilsson, 1842 (Ranidae, Amphibia) in the Moscow region**

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Abstract. Information on two findings of colour anomalies in the moor frog, *Rana arvalis*, in the Moscow region is presented. In one case, the colour anomaly in a frog found in Shchelkovo District was probably the result of a decrease in the number of iridophores. This anomaly corresponds to none of the colour morph of *R. arvalis* described previously. The second finding was made in Volokolamsk District, and the colour anomaly was expressed in a strongly pronounced spotted pattern, which is unusual for this species.

Key words: *Rana arvalis*, colour anomalies, aberrant colouration, pigmentation, iridophore

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