

Project Update: April 2018

Our first year field season lasted from April 2017 till October 2017. We placed four Malaise traps and one trunk trap in three locations with oak forests in Transcarpathia: Chorga Gora Mountain near Vynogradiv, forest near Yanoshi and forest near Bene. Numerous field trips in different locations of the Carpathian Biosphere Reserve and Gorgany Nature Reserve were organised. As a result, a large number of samples were collected which will be sorted during the next reporting period. We also visited National Nature Park 'Zacharovanyi Krai' for the first time and found very perspective for future research beech forests.

We revised the Ukrainian Red Data Book Ichneumonidae list and found numerous mistakes. All the collection were re-identified and four additional species were proposed to be included into the next edition of the Red Data Book. We hope it will be published till 2020.

From April 2018 we started next field season with placing several types of traps in different places of Transcarpathia.

Additionally, we have a presentation of the local Rufford conference in 23-25 April 2018 in Kharkiv.



Malaise trap in unmanaged oak forest on Chorna Gora Mountain (near Vynogradiv).



The beech forest of the National Nature Park 'Zacharovanyi Krai'.



Conference presentation in Kharkiv (2018).