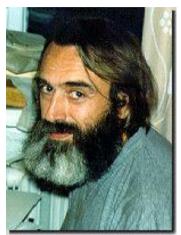
## EDITORIAL NOTE BY DR. HÜSEYİN ÖZDİKMEN

## DR. MIKHAIL LEONTIEVITCH DANILEVSKY



My friend Dr. Danilevsky (Russia) is most prominent specialist on the fauna and taxonomy of Cerambycidae of Russia and of the territory of the former USSR. From 1966 up to now, many scientific works by him (including monographs), and many new taxa were described and published by him. Special attention was payed by Danilevsky to the tribe Dorcadiini. His collection trips have been focused to whole Russian territorries, Eastern Europe, Central Asia, Caucasus, Iran. He is also known as one of the best specialists on Cerambycidae larval morphology. Larvae of several dozens of Cerambycidae species

were originally described by him.

Danilevsky is responsible for computor versions of annotated Cerambycidae Checklists of Europe and of the territory of the former USSR (see http://www.cerambycidae.net/).

Danilevsky was born in Moscow in 1948. He began to collect beetles in final years of middle level school (1965-66), when entered" the biology circle "VOOP" directed by P.P. Smolin (attached to All-Union Society of Nature Protection). In 1971 Danilevsky graduated Biological Faculty of Moscow State University as entomologist. His diploma was devoted to Caucasian Cerambycidae larvae. Just after University he began to study wood-boring Coleopterous larvae in the Institute of Evolutionary Morphology and Ecology of Animals of A.N. Severtsov. In 1977 in the same Institute (now A.N. Severtsov Institute of Ecology and Evolution) Danilevsky defended Ph. D. dissertation on the evolution of Cerambycidae larval morphology with phylogenetic conclusions to the the structure of the family.

Presently continuing with his works at the A. N. Severtsov Institute of Ecology and Evolution Russian Academy of Sciences, Group of ecology and morphology of xylobionts as a major research scientist in Moscow, Russia.

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