

EDITORIAL NOTE

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**TO THE MEMORY OF SENIOR RESEARCH SCIENTIST
DR. DMITRY VLADIMIROVICH OBYDOV**

I was received a message from Prof. Pierfranco Cavazzuti (Italy) in 13.XII.2010. He informed me about very bad news that my friend Dr. Dmitry Obydov dead.

So, I dedicated to the loving memory of Dr. Obydov. I have copied the information about him from the Web-Site <http://www.zin.ru/animalia/coleoptera/eng/obydov.htm>. I wish to condelence to the Family and Scientific World.

Dmitry V. Obydov - the expert of a world level on taxonomy of the tribe Carabini. Dmitry - the graduate of the Moscow medical academy named after I. M. Setchenov. His scientific interests - taxonomy of one of large and practically important family of the beetles - the ground beetles (Carabidae). Dmitry - the big enthusiast of scientific work and the fine field researcher who has collected a unique material on Carabini of fauna of Russia and the adjacent lands, and also Oriental Region. Dmitry - the author of 75 articles and several monographies. He have brought especially important contribution to development of taxonomy of such "difficult" groups as genus *Callisthenes* and subgeneric group "*Megodontus*" of the genus *Carabus*.

Dmitry for a long time supports communications with the Zoological Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences, actively uses a collection of the beetles in the scientific researches, constantly transfer in the collection of ZIN the paratypes of taxa described by him. Dmitry participates in a number of joint publications with the employees of ZIN, in particular, he participated in a writing of the new edition of the Red Data Book of the Russia Federation (2001).

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