

# First record of *Hishimonus sellatus* (Uhler, 1896) from Russia (Homoptera: Cicadellidae: Deltocephalinae)

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*Hishimonus sellatus* (Uhler, 1896) is recorded from Russia (Krasnodar Territory) for the first time.

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## *Hishimonus sellatus* (Uhler, 1896)

**Material examined.** **Russia, Krasnodar Terr.:** 1 ♀, 10 km NW Sochi, Dagomys village, 10.XI.2007, V.M. Gnezdilov leg., deposited at Zoological Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences, St. Petersburg.

**Comments.** According to Nast (1972), *H. sellatus* is known in the Palaearctic Region from Japan, China, Korea, Afghanistan, and Georgia. It was collected first in western Georgia (Kutaisi) in 1966 and later recorded as a vector of mulberry curly small-leaved phytoplasma disease in the region (Giorgadze, 1968; Giorgadze & Tulashvili, 1972). Probably, the species was introduced into Georgia with mulberry plants (Giorgadze, 1968). *H. sellatus* is a polyphagous species (Tulashvili & Giorgadze, 1971) known as a vector of phylogenetically distant phytoplasmas (Kusunoki et al., 2002). Large populations of *H. sellatus* may cause damage to agricultural and ornamental plants in southern Russia.

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