A NEW LOCALITY RECORD FOR *LOPINGA ACHINE* (SCOPOLI, 1763) IN BULGARIA (LEP.: NYMPHALIDAE: SATYRINAE)

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WHEN STUDYING the butterfly collection of the National Museum of Natural History in Sofia, four specimens of *Lopinga achine* (Scopoli, 1763) drew my attention. All of them were collected by Nikola Nedelkow in the surroundings of Vratsa at the beginning of the century (24 June 1905). Recently, one of them was figured by Abadjiev (1995: Plate V: Figs. 9, 10). These specimens were omitted from Buresch & Tuleschkow (1929). Until now, the butterfly was known only from Ludogorie: Samuil (Markowitsch, 1909) and it was thought that the specimens from Samuil were lost or most likely destroyed (Abadjiev, 1993). This new record extends significantly the range of this species in Bulgaria (Fig. 1).

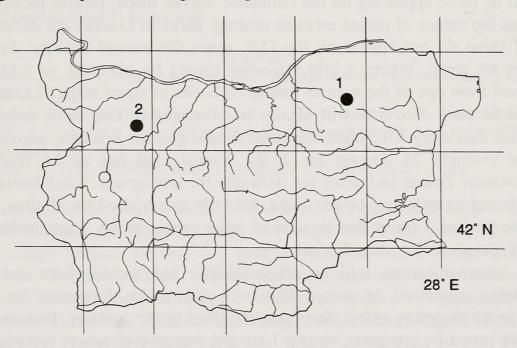


Figure 1. Map of Bulgaria showing the (1) locality of *Lopinga achine* (Scopoli, 1763) near Samuil, and (2) the new locality near Vratsa.

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