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Investigation on The Blood Cell Counts of Chalcides ocellatus (Sauria: Scincidae) Population in Anatolia

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<u>Abstract:</u> In this investigation, the blood cell counts (erythrocyts and leucocyts) of 136 Chalcides ocellatus specimens (75 females + 61 males), collected from different locations in Anatolia have been investigated from the view point of the effects of geographical distance and altitude factors. The blood cell counts are found to be highest in the population from Gaziantep-Urfa and the cause of this difference is evaluated as due to geographic variation.

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