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This is the first volume of a large-scale project „Keys to the USSR Fauna”, published by the Soviet Academy of Sciences' Zoological Institute.

The volume covers a wide range of European and Asian freshwater fish species. The contents are based on earlier works of such outstanding scientists as V.A. Dogel, B.E. Bykhovskij, C.C. Šulman, and many others.

The parasites treated (a total of 580 species) belong to the following taxa: Mastigophora, Sporozoa (Coccidiomorpha), Microsporidia, Cnidosporidia and Ciliophora (Pleurostomata, Cyrtostomata, Rimostomata, Hymenostomata, Suctoria, and Peritricha). The genus *Apiosoma* (52 species) is included as well, although it should be regarded more as a symbiotic one.

The geographic distribution and host species are described in detail. Common names of the host species make the volume somewhat difficult to read for a non-Russian. However, the list of species at the end of the volume alleviates these difficulties. The book contains also an index of scientific names and an ample list of references.

New are special tables to help identify species in those genera consisting of numerous species, by ordering easily observable characters.

Owing to its information richness, the volume is — in my opinion — very useful, both for a beginning and an experienced parasitologist.

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This is the first volume of a large-scale project, "Keys to the Fauna of the USSR," published by the Soviet Academy of Sciences Zoological Institute.

The volume covers a wide range of European and Asian freshwater fish species. The authors are based on earlier works of such outstanding scientists as V.A. Dybal and G.I. Zhukov, G.C. Sazonov, and many others.

The genera treated (a total of 280 genera) belong to the following taxonomic groups: Cypriniformes (Cyprinidae, Characidae, and Characiformes), Siluriformes (Siluridae, Platypharodonidae, and Platypharodonidae), and Perciformes (Percidae, Gobiidae, and Gobioidae). The genus *Aplocheilichthys* (2 species) is included as well, although it should be regarded more as a cyprinid.

The geographic distribution and host species are described in detail. Certain ranges of host species make the volume somewhat difficult to read for a non-Russian. However, the list of species at the end of the volume alleviates these difficulties. The book contains also an index of scientific names and an ample list of references.

There are several tables to help identify species in those genera consisting of numerous species by displaying easily observable characters.

Owing to its systematic richness, the volume is - in my opinion - very useful both for a beginning and an experienced ichthyologist.

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