Abstract (in English):

This thesis explores the significance and influence of the Yamnaya culture, focusing specifically on its presence and impact within the Middle Tundzha Valley. The Yamnaya culture, emerging at the end of the 4th millennium BC, played a crucial role in the development of a vast region across Eurasia, possibly contributing to the spread of Proto-Indo-Europeans. Through an examination of burial practices, particularly the use of ochre in graves, this study investigates the cultural and societal implications of Yamnaya customs in the region.