

Towards the Historical Variants of the Roots *çur-* and *çur-* in the Kartvelian Languages

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The analysis of the historical data proves that, in many cases, phonetic variants of the stem-roots form the basis for semantic differentiation, for the occurrence of new lexical units. It is noteworthy that such variants happen to have the corresponding reflexes of the Kartvelian languages.

The following pair of stems appear as such historical alternants:

a) **çur-** || **çwir-**, with Kartvelian correspondances:

çkur || **çkwir-**;

b) **çur-** || **çwir-**, with corresponding stems:

çur- || **çwir-**.

The work represents the possibilities of the further phonetic, morphemic and semantic changes.