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ON THE ETIMOLOGY OF A PLACE NAME

“Gvacha”, “Gvachai” are place-names attested, correspondingly, in the village of Matskhvalta, Shuakhevi district and Chakvi, Kobuleti district, Achara. The etimology can be related to and explained with Laz “Gvabacha”//”gvabara” and gvabuja (cf.:*gabuja-qbaqura* lexical units of Acharian dialect).