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ZAN LEXEMES IN THE NAMES OF PLANTS

In the west dialects of the Georgian language there are some names of plants the origins of which become transparent only after the consideration of the Zan language data. Often plant names are lost in the Zan language, but are still survived in the Georgian dialects. The present paper discusses some examples of the kind. Traces of Zan influence can be found not only on the lexico-semantic level, but on the level of morphology as well.

As words **o-tqach-u-a**, **o-khok-u-a**... show the mixed character of Zanic o - u affixation of the past participle plus a substantivizing suffix of the Georgian language. Names derived according to the said pattern usually denote certain kind of property of the named plant.