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STUDIES ON TOPONYMICS OF SAMURZAKANO (TAGILONI, MARACHA, GHUMURISHI, TSORKA, JOQOBA/JAQOBA)

The paper deals with the analysis of the history and etymology of five toponyms from Samurzakano. Discussion is provided on the place names such as Tagiloni, Maracha, Ghumurishi, Tsorka, Joqoba/Jaqoba whose origin and content have been examined by various specialists, and differing assumptions have been proposed.

Based on the structural-etymological analysis, the author of the paper considers all of the five toponyms to be of Kartvelian, namely, Megrelian origin.