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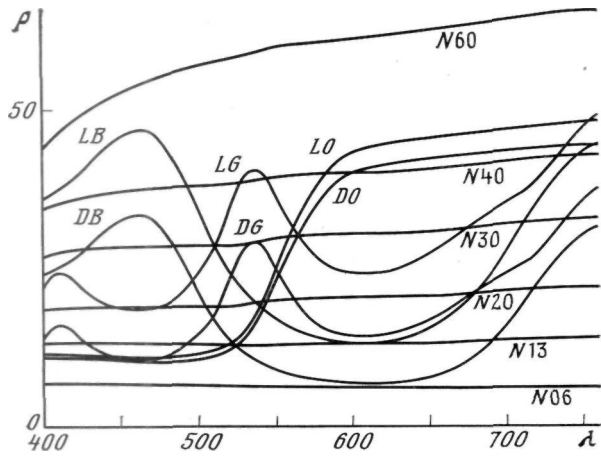
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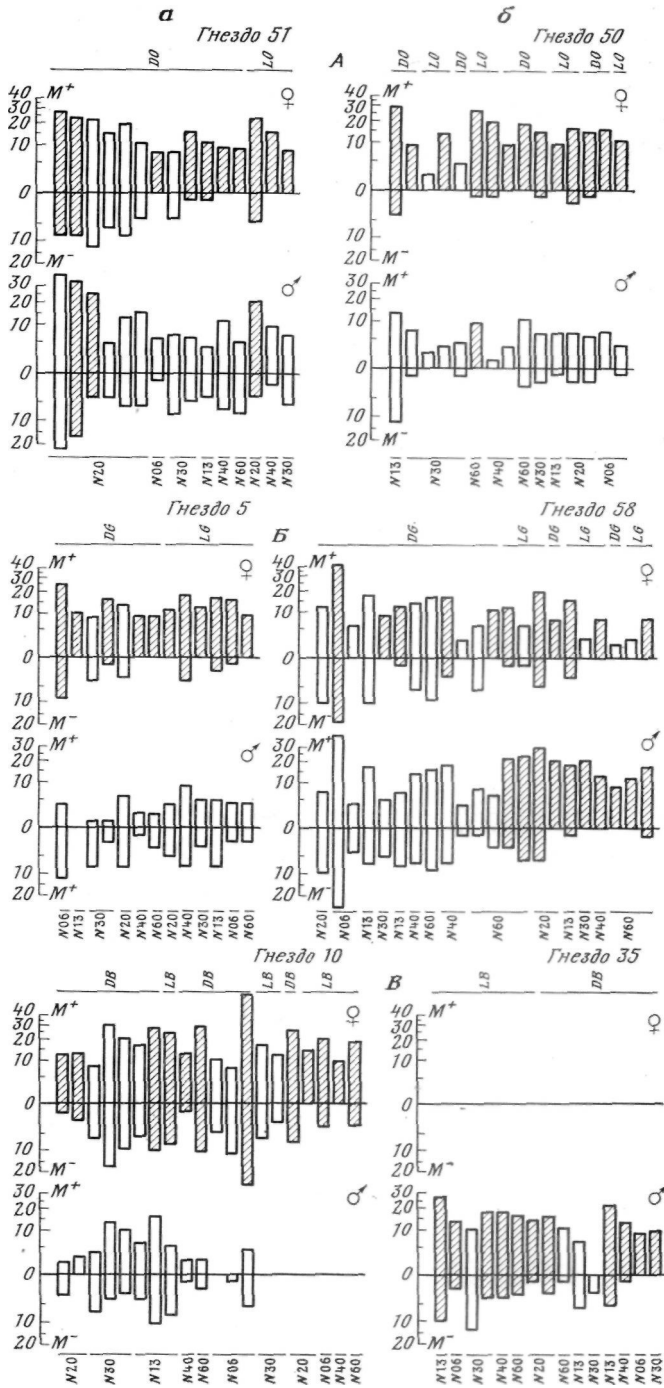
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COLOUR VISION IN PIED FLYCATCHER (*MUSCICAPA HYPOLEUCA*)

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Summary

Pied flycatcher was tested for colour discrimination by using the instinct to feed nestlings, which induces the bird to find its nest under changing conditions, and the technique of alternative choice between the entrances to a double nesting box, marked with coloured stimuli. Birds were trained to differentiate a definite colour (orange, green, blue) stimulus from a given grey, then they were tested for colour stimuli paired with grey ones of different lightness. Testing revealed that birds easily transfer the acquired habit of colour discrimination to stimuli of different lightness without additional training, which is indicative of colour vision in flycatchers.