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THE BULGARIAN DIALECTAL CULINARY DICTIONARY AS A MICRO-MODEL OF THE BULGARIAN DIALECTAL DICTIONARY

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The *Bulgarian Dialectal Culinary Dictionary* (BDCD), conceived as a micro-model of the *Bulgarian Dialectal Dictionary*, offers a lexicographic representation of a particularly rich yet archaic layer of folk vocabulary related to Bulgarians' culinary culture, an essential component of national identity. In both its conception and implementation, the BDCD constitutes an innovative project of fundamental scholarly importance and undeniable applied value. Its geographical coverage is exceptionally broad, encompassing the lexical wealth of dialects across the entire Bulgarian linguistic territory as well as that of two historical diasporas. The dictionary is relatively differential in character: it records specific dialectal vocabulary while also including lexemes familiar from the standard language that differ either in form (morphological dialectisms) or in meaning (semantic dialectisms). The BDCD is structured according to the classical alphabetical–nesting principle.

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