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ON KHAN MALAMIR'S IMMATURITY AND HYPOTHESES ABOUT THE AGE OF OTHER 9TH CENTURY REPRESENTATIVES OF KHAN KRUM DYNASTY

(Summary)

The author claims that the issue of Khan Krum Dynasty lacked detailed analysis by Bulgarian historians. This dynasty was the longest ruling one in the history of Medieval Bulgarian state. It is hard to present a general study for the reign of this dynasty, since the information about the period in question is insufficient. That's why, the author focuses on a particular issue of this topic - on the lifetime of khan Malamir and some other representatives of Khan Krum dynasty. On the basis of this information, he aims at better reconstructing the complete picture of historical events. The birth years of most representatives of Khan Krum dynasty, starting from the reign of khan Krum till the reign of Vladimir Rasate, were fixed through comparative analysis of primary sources. The author puts emphasis on "the long-standing mistake" that dominated Bulgarian historiography - the immaturity of Malamir. This issue was investigated on the basis of available documents and was put within a broader historical framework, that is the reign of other representatives of the above-mentioned dynasty. The author uses this approach in order to further stress the importance of this issue and to show the relationship between different members of Khan Krum dynasty.