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**ALBAN. *BERR* AUS DER PERSPEKTIVE DES NEOLITHISCHEN
LANDWIRTSCHAFTLICHEN SUBSTRATS**

**ALBAN. *BERR* ‘SMALL LIVESTOCK, SHEEP, RAM, GOAT’ AS POTENTIAL
ELEMENT OF THE NEOLITHIC AGRICULTURAL SUBSTRATE**

Abstract: Two factors now promise a broader perspective for the solution of complex etymological problems, possibly linked to the Neolithic agricultural substrate: intense research in the domain of Afro–Asiatic etymology and the potential localization of the Afro–Asiatic homeland within the territory of the Natufian archaeological culture in the Levant, and on the other hand, the newly proposed localization of the potential original homeland of speakers of Proto-North Caucasian languages in Anatolia or in the Balkans. Furthermore, this opens new approaches for etymological research into Pre-Greek.

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