

ANNOUNCEMENT

The following Opinions and Cases have been published recently by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature in the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature*, volume 48, 1991 and volume 49, 1992.

Opinion no.

- 1650 CYMATIINAE Iredale, 1913 (1854) (Mollusca, Gastropoda) and CYMATIINAE Walton in Hutchinson, 1940 (Insecta, Heteroptera): homonymy removed.
- 1651 *Mytilus anatinus* Linnaeus, 1758 (currently *Anodonta anatina*; Mollusca, Bivalvia): neotype designation confirmed.
- 1658 *Callionymus pusillus* Delaroche, 1809 (Osteichthyes, Perciformes): specific name conserved.
- 1664 RISSOIDAE Gray, 1847 (Mollusca, Gastropoda): given precedence over TRUNCATELLIDAE Gray, 1840.
- 1665 *Potamilus Rafinesque*, 1818 (Mollusca, Bivalvia): not suppressed.
- 1666 *Aphrodita imbricata* Linnaeus, 1767 (currently *Harmothoe imbricata*) and *Aphrodita minuta* Fabricius, 1780 (currently *Pholoe minuta*) (Annelida, Polychaeta): specific names conserved.
- 1668 *Bathynomus* A. Milne Edwards, 1879 (Crustacea, Isopoda): given precedence over *Palaega* Woodward, 1870.
- 1671 *Strophomena* de Blainville, 1824 (Brachiopoda): *Leptaena planumbona* Hall, 1847 designated as the type species.
- 1672 *Muraena* Linnaeus, 1758 and *Anguilla* Schrank, 1798 (Osteichthyes, Anguilliformes): placed on the Official List of Generic Names.
- 1673 LIPARIDAE Gill, 1861 (Osteichthyes, Scorpaeniformes): spelling confirmed.
- 1675 *Amphiporus* Ehrenberg, 1831 (Nemertea): *Planaria lactiflorea* Johnston, 1828 designated as the type species.

Case no.

- 2526 *Strombiformis albus* Da Costa, 1778 (currently *Melanella (Balcis) alba*; Mollusca, Gastropoda): proposed conservation of the specific name.

Abstract. The purpose of this application is to conserve the specific name of the prosobranch mollusc *Strombiformis albus* Da Costa, 1778 which is threatened by the unused senior subjective synonym *Turbo laevis* Pennant, 1777. The name *albus*, a senior subjective synonym of *Balcis montagui* Leach in Gray, 1847, the nominal type species of *Balcis* Leach in Gray, 1847, is universally in use. The name *Balcis* relates to a group of species which is considered to be subgenerically distinct from *Melanella* Bowdich, 1822 (in the world-wide family EULIMIDAE Philippi, 1853, which includes more than 4000 species, all parasitic on echinoderms).

- 2710 CLAVIDAE McCrady, 1859 (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa) and CLAVINAE Casey, 1904 (Mollusca, Gastropoda): proposal to remove the homonymy.

Abstract. The purpose of this application is to remove the homonymy between the family-group names CLAVIDAE McCrady, 1859 (Cnidaria) and CLAVINAE Casey, 1904 (Mollusca). Both names are in use. It is proposed that the molluscan name, which is used for a subfamily, be altered to CLAVUSINAE by changing the stem of the type genus *Clavus* from Clav- to Clavus-.

- 2766 *Conus fulmen* Reeve, 1843 (Mollusca, Gastropoda): proposed conservation, and *Conus berghausi* Michelotti, 1847: proposed precedence over *C. demissus* Philippi, 1836.

Abstract. The purpose of this application is the conservation of the specific name of *Conus fulmen* Reeve, 1843 by the suppression of its unused senior subjective synonym *C. modestus* Sowerby, [1833], and the conservation of *C. berghausi* Michelotti, 1847 by giving the name precedence over *C. demissus* Philippi, 1836. The species are marine prosobranch gastropods.

- 2797 *Scylliorhinus atlanticus* Koefoed, 1927 (currently *Apristurus atlanticus*; Chondrichthyes, Carcharhiniformes): proposed conservation of the specific name.

Abstract. The purpose of this application is to conserve the specific name of *Apristurus atlanticus* (Koefoed, 1927), which is currently in use for an Atlantic scylliorhinid (catshark). The name is threatened by the unused senior synonym *Scyllium? spinacipellitum* Vaillant, 1888.

The Commission regrets that it cannot supply separates of Opinions.

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