OPINION 2118 (Case 3225)

Phymaturus Gravenhorst, 1837 and *Lacerta palluma* Molina, 1782 (currently *Phymaturus palluma*; Reptilia, Sauria): usage of the names conserved by the designation of a neotype for *Lacerta palluma* Molina, 1782

Abstract. The Commission has ruled that the current usage of the generic name *Phymaturus* Gravenhorst, 1837 and the specific name *P. palluma* (Molina, 1782) for a genus and a species of lizard (family LIOLAEMIDAE) from South America is conserved by designation of the holotype of *Centrura flagellifer* Bell, 1843 as the neotype of *Lacerta palluma* Molina, 1782.

Keywords. Nomenclature; taxonomy; Reptilia; LIOLAEMIDAE; TEIIDAE; Callopistes; *Phymaturus; Callopistes maculatus; Phymaturus palluma;* lizard; South America.

Ruling

- Under the plenary power it is hereby ruled that all type fixations for the nominal species *Lacerta palluma* Molina, 1782 are set aside and specimen BMNH 1946.8.29.84 in the collections of the Natural History Museum, London, is designated as the neotype.
- (2) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology:
 - (a) *Phymaturus* Gravenhorst, 1837 (gender: masculine), type species by monotypy *Lacerta palluma* Molina, 1782;
 - (b) Callopistes Gravenhorst, 1837 (gender: masculine), type species by monotypy Callopistes maculatus Gravenhorst, 1837.
- (3) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:
 - (a) *palluma* Molina, 1782, as published in the binomen *Lucerta* [sic] *palluma* and as defined by the neotype designated in (1) above (specific name of the type species of *Phymaturus* Gravenhorst, 1837);
 - (b) maculatus Gravenhorst, 1837, as published in the binomen Callopistes maculatus (specific name of the type species of Callopistes Gravenhorst, 1837).

History of Case 3225

An application to conserve the current usage of the names *Phymaturus* Gravenhorst, 1837 and *Lacerta palluma* Molina, 1782 was received from Richard Etheridge and Jay M. Savage (*Department of Biology, San Diego State University, California 92182–4614, U.S.A.*) on 12 September 2001. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 60: 38–41 (March 2003). The title, abstract and keywords of the case were published on the Commission's website. Two comments in support of the application were published in BZN 60: 313–314. The authors replied in support of their application in BZN 61: 47.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 December 2004 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 60: 39–40. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 2005 the votes were as follows: 18 Commissioners voted FOR the proposals, 3 Commissioners voted AGAINST, Evenhuis, Kerzhner and Ng were on leave of absence; no vote was received from Böhme.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Callopistes Gravenhorst, 1837, Nova Acta Academiae Caesarea Leopoldino-Carolinae Germaninicae Naturae Curiosorum, 18(2): 743.

maculatus, Callopistes, Gravenhorst, 1837, Nova Acta Academiae Caesarea Leopoldino-Carolinae Germaninicae Naturae Curiosorum, 18(2): 744.

palluma, Lacerta, Molina, 1782, Saggio sulla storia naturale del Chili, p. 217.

Phymaturus Gravenhorst, 1837, Nova Acta Academiae Caesarea Leopoldino-Carolinae Germaninicae Naturae Curiosorum, 18(2): 749.