

**OPINION 2189 (Case 3350)*****Oncopus* Thorell, 1876 and ONCOPODIDAE Thorell, 1876 (Arachnida, Opiliones): proposed conservation of the names not approved**

**Abstract.** An application to conserve the generic name *Oncopus* Thorell, 1876 for a group of nine opilionids from Southeast Asia, together with the family-group name ONCOPODIDAE Thorell, 1876 for geometrid moths from Asia, by suppressing the little used senior homonym *Oncopus* Herrich-Schäffer, 1855 for two South American Lepidoptera has not been approved.

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**Ruling**

- (1) It is hereby ruled that the application for the proposed conservation of *Oncopus* Thorell, 1876 and ONCOPODIDAE Thorell, 1876 is not approved.
- (2) The name *Oncopus* Herrich-Schäffer, 1855 (gender: masculine), type species, by subsequent designation by Prout in Strand (1934), *Paidia citrosa* Geyer, 1832, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology (Lepidoptera).
- (3) The name *citrosa* Geyer, 1832, as published in the binomen *Paidia citrosa* (specific name of the type species of *Oncopus* Herrich-Schäffer, 1855) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
- (4) The name *Oncopus* Thorell, 1876 is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology (Arachnida).
- (5) The name ONCOPODIDAE Thorell, 1876 is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Family-Group Names in Zoology (type genus *Oncopus* Thorell, 1876) (Arachnida).

**History of Case 3350**

An application to conserve the generic name *Oncopus* Thorell, 1876 for a group of nine opilionids from Southeast Asia, together with the family-group name ONCOPODIDAE Thorell, 1876 for geometrid moths from Asia, by suppressing the little used senior homonym *Oncopus* Herrich-Schäffer, 1855 for two South American Lepidoptera was received from Peter J. Schwendinger (*Muséum d'histoire naturelle, Genève, Switzerland*) and Jochen Martens (*Institut für Zoologie, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Mainz, Germany*) on 15 May 2005.

After correspondence the case was published in BZN **63**: 167–171 (September 2006). The title, abstract and keywords of the case were published on the Commission's website. Four supportive comments on this case were received and published (see BZN **64**(1): 64).

### Decision of the Commission

On 1 June 2007 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 63: 169. At the close of the voting period on 1 September 2007 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 11: Bogutskaya, Brothers, Grygier, Halliday, Kottelat, Mahnert, Mawatari, Papp, Rosenberg, Štys and Zhang.

Negative votes – 13: Alonso-Zarazaga, Bouchet, Fautin, Kerzhner, Krell, Kullander, Lamas, Lim, Ng, Pape, Patterson, Pyle and van Tol.

Minelli was on leave of absence.

### Original references

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

*citrosa*, *Paidia*, Geyer in Hübner, 1832, *Zuträge zur Sammlung exotischer Schmetterlinge, bestehend in Bekundigung einzelner Fliegmuster neuer oder rarer nichteuropäischer Gattungen*, vol. 4, p. 18, pl. [114], figs. 661, 662.

*Oncopus* Herrich-Schäffer, 1855, *Systematische Bearbeitung der Schmetterlinge von Europa, zugleich als Text, Revision und Supplement zu Jakob Hübner's Sammlung Europäischer Schmetterlinge*, vol. 6, p. 99.

*Oncopus* Thorell, 1876, *Annali del Museo civico di Storia Naturale di Genova*, (1)9: 134.

ONCOPODIDAE Thorell, 1876, *Annali del Museo civico di Storia Naturale di Genova*, (1)9: 134.

The following is the reference for the designation of *Paidia citrosa* Geyer in Hübner, 1832 as the type species of the nominal genus *Oncopus* Herrich-Schäffer, 1855:

**Prout, L.B. in Strand, E.** (Ed.). 1934. *Lepidopterorum Catalogus*, vol. 61, p. 137. Junk, Berlin.