

**OPINION 2244 (Case 3443)*****Tentyria* Latreille, 1802 (Coleoptera, TENEBRIONIDAE): usage conserved**

**Abstract.** The Commission conserved the usage of the generic name *Tentyria* Latreille, 1802 by designation of *Tentyria ligurica* Solier, 1835 as the type species of this genus of darkling beetles from the Palaearctic region.

**Keywords.** Nomenclature; Coleoptera; TENEBRIONIDAE; Tentyriini; *Tentyria*; *Tentyrina*; *Tentyria ligurica*; *Tentyrina orbiculata*; darkling beetles; Palaearctic region.

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**Ruling**

- (1) Under the plenary power it is hereby ruled that all previous fixations of type species for the nominal genus *Tentyria* Latreille, 1802 are set aside and *Tentyria ligurica* Solier, 1835 is hereby designated as the type species.
- (2) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology:
  - (a) *Tentyria* Latreille, 1802 (gender: feminine), type species *Tentyria ligurica* Solier, 1835, as ruled in (1) above;
  - (b) *Tentyrina* Reitter, 1900 (gender: feminine), type species by subsequent designation by Gebien (1937) *Pimelia orbiculata* Fabricius, 1775.
- (3) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:
  - (a) *ligurica* Solier, 1835 as published in the binomen *Tentyria ligurica* (specific name of the type species of *Tentyria* Latreille, 1802), as designated in (1) above;
  - (b) *orbiculata* Fabricius, 1775, as published in the binomen *Pimelia orbiculata* (specific name of the type species of *Tentyrina* Reitter, 1900).

**History of Case 3443**

An application to conserve the usage of the generic name *Tentyria* Latreille, 1802 by designation of *Tentyria ligurica* Solier, 1835 as the type species of this genus of darkling beetles from the Palaearctic region was received from Patrice Bouchard (*Canadian National Collection of Insects, Arachnids and Nematodes, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada*), Ivan Löbl (*Muséum d'Histoire Naturelle, Geneva, Switzerland*) and Martin Lillig (*Institut für Biogeographie, Basel, Switzerland*) on 8 November 2007. After correspondence the case was published in BZN **65**: 110–113 (June 2008). The title, abstract and keywords of the case were published on the Commission's website. No comments were received on this case.

**Decision of the Commission**

On 1 June 2009 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN **65**: 112. At the close of the voting period on 1 September 2009 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 19: Alonso-Zarazaga, Ballerio, Bouchet, Brothers, Fautin, Grygier, Halliday, Harvey, Kottelat, Krell, Lamas, Minelli, Papp, Rosenberg, Štys, Winston, Yanega, Zhang and Zhou.

Negative votes – 7: Bogutskaya, Kullander, Lim, Ng, Pape, Patterson and van Tol. Kojima abstained. Pyle was on leave of absence.

Kojima, who ABSTAINED, said that the taxonomic problem that will result in synonymising *Tentyrina* under *Tentyria* should have been more clearly presented in the case. Tol, voting AGAINST, said that the objective synonymy of *Tentyria* Latreille and *Tentyrina* Reitter, based on the same type species, is to be preferred above the selection of *T. ligurica* Solier as the type species of *Tentyria* as this species was originally not included in *Tentyria*.

### Original references

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

*ligurica*, *Tentyria*, Solier, 1835, *Annales de la Société Entomologique de France*, **4**, p. 324.

*orbiculata*, *Pimelia*, Fabricius, 1775, *Systema entomologiae, sistens insectorum classes, ordines, genera, species, adiectis synonymis, locis, descriptionibus, observationibus*, p. 253.

*Tentyria* Latreille, 1802, *Histoire naturelle, générale et particulière, des crustacés et des insectes. Ouvrage faisant suite à l'histoire naturelle générale et particulière, composée par Leclerc de Buffon, et rédigée par C. S. Sonnini, membre de plusieurs sociétés savantes. Familles naturelles des genres. Tome troisième*, p. 170.

*Tentyrina* Reitter, 1900, *Bestimmungs-Tabelle der Tenebrioniden-Abtheilungen: Tentyrini und Adelostomini, aus Europa und angrenzenden Ländern*, p. 92.