

**OPINION 2278 (Case 3489)*****Chrysomela elongata* Suffrian, 1851 (currently *Oreina elongata*; Insecta, Coleoptera): name conserved**

**Abstract.** The Commission has conserved the use of the well known alpine leaf beetle name *Oreina elongata* (Suffrian, 1851), originally published as *Chrysomela elongata*, and thus a junior primary homonym of *Chrysomela elongata* Linnaeus, 1758, currently known as *Tillus elongatus* (Linnaeus, 1758).

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**Ruling**

- (1) Under the plenary power it is hereby ruled that the name *elongata* Suffrian, 1851, as published in the binomen *Chrysomela elongata*, is not invalid by reason of being a junior primary homonym of *elongata* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Chrysomela elongata*.
- (2) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:
  - (a) *elongata* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Chrysomela elongata*;
  - (b) *elongata* Suffrian, 1851, as published in the binomen *Chrysomela elongata*, with the endorsement that it is not invalid by reason of being a junior primary homonym of *elongata* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Chrysomela elongata*, as ruled in (1) above.

**History of Case 3489**

An application to conserve the use of the well known alpine leaf beetle name *Oreina elongata* (Suffrian, 1851), originally published as *Chrysomela elongata*, and thus a junior primary homonym of *Chrysomela elongata* Linnaeus, 1758, currently known as *Tillus elongatus* (Linnaeus, 1758), was received from Hans Silfverberg (*Finnish Museum of Natural History, Zoological Museum, Helsinki University, Helsinki, Finland*) on 3 March 2009. After correspondence the case was published in **BZN 66**: 320–322 (December 2009). 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 December 2010 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in **BZN 66**: 321. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 2011 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 22: Ballerio, Bogutskaya, Bouchet, Brothers, Fautin, Grygier, Halliday, Harvey, Kojima, Kottelat, Krell, Kullander, Minelli, Pape, Papp, Patterson, Rosenberg, Štys, van Tol, Winston, Yanega, and Zhou.

Negative votes – 2: Lamas and Lim.

Alonso-Zarazaga, Ng, Pyle and Zhang were on leave of absence.

Voting FOR, Harvey commented that, although he felt the case was relatively straightforward and he supported the application to maintain existing usage of the junior homonym, he advised that details of any existing type specimens of both *Chrysomela elongata* Linnaeus, 1758 and *Chrysomela elongata* Suffrian, 1851 should be supplied to verify current taxonomic placements.

### Original references

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

*elongata*, *Chrysomela*, Linnaeus, 1758, *Systema Naturae*, Ed. 10, vol. 1, p. 377.  
*elongata*, *Chrysomela*, Suffrian, 1851, *Linnaea Entomologica*, **5**: 146.