

## OPINION 683

SCOLYTUS GEOFFROY, 1762 (INSECTA, COLEOPTERA): VALIDATED  
UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

**RULING.**—(1) Under the plenary powers the generic name *Scolytus* Geoffroy, 1762, is hereby validated with the type-species *Bostrichus scolytus* Fabricius, 1775.

(2) The generic name *Scolytus* Geoffroy, 1762 (gender : masculine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, *Bostrichus scolytus* Fabricius, 1775, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name No. 1566.

(3) The specific name *scolytus* Fabricius, 1775, as published in the binomen *Bostrichus scolytus* (type-species of *Scolytus* Geoffroy, 1762) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name No. 1942.

(4) The family-group name SCOLYTIDAE Westwood, 1838 (type-genus *Scolytus* Geoffroy, 1762) is hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name No. 354.

(5) The following generic names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

- (a) *Ekkoptogaster* Herbst, 1793 (a junior objective synonym of *Scolytus* Geoffroy, 1762) (Name No. 1664);
- (b) *Eccoptogaster* Erichson, 1836 (a junior objective synonym of *Scolytus* Geoffroy, 1762 and an unjustified emendation of *Ekkoptogaster* Herbst, 1793) (Name No. 1665).

(6) The following specific names, junior objective synonyms of *Bostrichus scolytus* Fabricius, 1775, are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

- (a) *punctatus* Müller, 1776, as published in the binomen *Scolytus punctatus* (Name No. 764);
- (b) *scolythus* [sic] Sulzer, 1776, as published in the binomen *Dermestes scolythus* (Name No. 765);
- (c) *geoffroi* [sic] Goeze, 1777, as published in the combination *Dermestes scolytus geoffroi* (Name No. 766);
- (d) *niger* Geoffroy, 1785, as published in the binomen *Scolytus niger* (Name No. 767);
- (e) *destructor* Olivier, 1795, as published in the binomen *Scolytus destructor* (Name No. 768).

(7) The following family-group names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

- (a) ECCOPTOGASTERINI Reitter, 1906 (type-genus *Eccoptogaster* Erichson, 1836) (a junior objective synonym of SCOLYTIDAE Westwood, 1838) (Name No. 389);
- (b) ECCOPTOGASTERINAE Trédli, 1907 (type-genus *Eccoptogaster* Erichson, 1836) (a junior objective synonym of SCOLYTIDAE Westwood, 1838) (Name No. 390).



## HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 81)

A full history of the present case is given in the report prepared by Dr. W. E. China, Assistant Secretary to the Commission. Dr. China's report was sent to the printer on 13 July 1961 and was published on 2 February 1962 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **19** : 3-8. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **4** : 51-56) and to seven entomological serials. The proposals were supported by Dr. Stephen L. Wood.

## DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 6 November 1962 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (62)48 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **19** : 8. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 6 February 1963 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-five (25), received in the following order: China, Holthuis, Hering, Vokes, Stoll, Mayr, Riley, Brinck, Bradley, Lemche, do Amaral, Uchida, Jaczewski, Key, Obruchev, Boschma, Munroe, Alvarado, Tortonese, Kühnelt, Bonnet, Binder, Mertens, Miller, Evans.

Negative votes—none (0).

On Leave of Absence—two (2): Poll, Prantl.

Voting Papers not returned—one (1): Hemming.

Commissioner Borchsenius returned a late affirmative vote.

## ORIGINAL REFERENCES

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

*destructor*, *Scolytus*, Olivier, 1795, *Entomologie* **4**(78) : 1-14, pls. 1-2

*Eccoptogaster* Erichson, 1836, *Arch. Naturgesch.* **2** : 58

ECCOPTOGASTERINAE Trédl, 1907, *Ent. Bl.* **3** : 5

ECCOPTOGASTERINI Reitter, 1906, *Cat. Col. Europe* : 707

*Ekkoptogaster* Herbst, 1793, *Der Käfer*, Th. V : 81, 103, 122, 127-128

*geoffroi*, *Dermestes scolytus*, Goeze, 1777, *Ent. Beytr.* **1** : 143

*niger*, *Scolytus*, Geoffroy, 1785, in Fourcroy, *Ent. paris.* : 139

*punctatus*, *Scolytus*, Müller, 1776, *Zool. dan. Prodr.* : 57

*scolythus*, *Dermestes*, Sulzer, 1776, *Gesch. Ins.* **1** : 21; **2** : tab. 2, fig. 13k

SCOLYTIDAE Westwood, 1838, *Introd. mod. Classif. Ins.* **1** : 350

*Scolytus* Geoffroy, 1762, *Hist. abrég. Ins. Paris* **1** : 309

*scolytus*, *Bostrichus*, Fabricius, 1775, *Syst. Ent.* : 59

## CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper 62(48) were cast as set out above, that the proposal set out in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 683.

W. E. CHINA

Acting Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

London

14 March 1963



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*The Bulletin of zoological nomenclature* 20, 416–417.

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