OPINION 1612

*Valanginites* Sayn in Kilian, 1910 (Mollusca, Ammonoidea): authorship of the genus confirmed, and *Ammonites nucleus* Roemer, 1841 confirmed as the type species

Ruling

1. Under the plenary powers it is hereby ruled that:
   a. The specific name *nucleus* Phillips, 1829, as published in the binomen *Ammonites nucleus*, and all other uses of that name prior to *Ammonites nucleus* Roemer, 1841, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of both the Principle of Priority and the Principle of Homonymy;
   b. All designations of type species for the nominal genus *Valanginites* Sayn in Kilian, 1910 before that of *Ammonites nucleus* Roemer, 1841 by Roman (1938) are hereby set aside.
2. The name *Valanginites* Sayn in Kilian, 1910 (gender: masculine), type species *Ammonites nucleus* Roemer, 1841 by the ruling in (1)(b) above, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
3. The name *nucleus* Roemer, 1841, as published in the binomen *Ammonites nucleus* (specific name of the type species of *Valanginites* Sayn in Kilian, 1910), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
4. The name *nucleus* Phillips, 1829, as published in the binomen *Ammonites nucleus* and as suppressed in (1)(a) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2403

An application for the confirmation of Sayn in Kilian (1910) as the author of the nominal genus *Valanginites*, and of *Ammonites nucleus* Roemer, 1841 as its type species, was received from Drs P.F. Rawson (University College London, London, U.K.) and E. Kemper (Bundesanstalt für Geowissenschaften und Rohstoffe, Hannover, Fed. Rep. Germany) on 18 January 1982. After correspondence, and a delay arising from a move by the senior author, the case was published in BZN 46: 91–93 (June 1989). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals. Comments in support were received from Mr C.W. Wright (Beaminster, Dorset, U.K.) and Dr M.K. Howarth (The Natural History Museum, London, U.K.).

Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1990 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 46: 92. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1990 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 26: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Mroczkowski, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Starobogatov, Thompson, Triapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — 1: Macpherson.

Schuster was on leave of absence.
Original references

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


*Valanginites* Saym in Kilian, 1910, *Lethaea geognostica,* Teil 2 (Das Mesozoicum), Band 3 (Kreide), Liefrung 2, p. 194.

The following is the reference for the designation of *Ammonites nucleus* Roem., 1841 as the type species of *Valanginites:*


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