

OPINION 1432

Actia Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 (Insecta, Diptera): *Roeselia lamia* Meigen, 1838, designated as type species

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers all previous designations of type species for the nominal genus *Actia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 are hereby set aside and *Roeselia lamia* Meigen, 1838 is designated as type species.

(2) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology:

- (a) *Actia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 (gender: feminine) type species, by designation in (1) above, *Roeselia lamia* Meigen, 1838;
- (b) *Elfia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 (gender: feminine) type species, by subsequent designation by Robineau-Desvoidy, 1863, *Actia cingulata* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830.

(3) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:

- (a) *lamia* Meigen, 1838, as published in the binomen *Roeselia lamia* and as defined by the neotype designated in BZN 42: 95 (specific name of the type species of *Actia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830);
- (b) *cingulata* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830, as published in the binomen *Actia cingulata* (specific name of the type species of *Elfia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1850).

History of case 2491

An application for the designation of *Roeselia lamia* Meigen, 1830, as type species of *Actia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830 was received from Dr J. E. O'Hara (*University of Alberta, Canada*) on 10 September 1984, and a revised case was published in BZN 42: 93–97 (April 1985). Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to twelve general and ten specialist serials. Supportive comments were received from Dr R. W. Crosskey (*British Museum (Natural History), London*) and Dr C. W. Sabrosky (*U.S. National Museum, U.S.A.*).

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 1986 the members of the Commission were invited to vote for or against the proposals set out in BZN 42: 96. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1986 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes — 18: Alvarado, Bayer, Cocks, Corliss, Hahn, Halvorsen, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Melville, Mroczkowski, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — none.

Holthuis was on leave of absence. No votes were returned by Bernardi, Cogger, Dupuis, Gruchy, Heppell and Starobogatov.

Original references

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

- Actia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830, *Mémoires présentés par divers Savants à l'Académie Royale des Sciences de l'Institut de France*, II: 85
- cingulata*, *Actia*, Robineau-Desvoidy, 1830, *Mémoires présentés par divers Savants à l'Académie Royale des Sciences de l'Institut de France*, II: 86
- Elfia* Robineau-Desvoidy, 1850, *Annales de la Société Entomologique de France* (2) 8: 190
- lamia*, *Roselia* Meigen, 1838, *Systematische Beschreibung der bekannten europäischen zweiflügeligen Insekten*, vol. 7, p. 254



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The Bulletin of zoological nomenclature 44, 71–72.

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