OPINION 1673

LIPARIIDAE Gill, 1861 (Osteichthyes, Scorpaeniformes): spelling confirmed

Ruling
(1) It is hereby ruled that for the purposes of Article 29 of the Code the stem of the generic name Liparis Scopoli, 1777, is Lipar-.
(2) The name Liparis Scopoli, 1777 (gender: feminine), type species by absolute tautonymy Cyclopterus liparis Linnaeus, 1766, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
(3) The name liparis Linnaeus, 1766, as published in the binomen Cyclopterus liparis (specific name of the type species of Liparis Scopoli, 1777) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
(4) The name LIPARIIDAE Gill, 1861 (type genus Liparis Scopoli, 1777), spelling confirmed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2440
An application for the confirmation of the spelling of LIPARIIDAE Gill, 1861 was received from Dr Kenneth D. Vogt (Anchorage, Alaska, U.S.A.) on 25 April 1983. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 45: 130–131 (June 1988). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals. A comment from Prof L.B. Holthuis (Nationaal Natuurhistorisch Museum, Leiden, The Netherlands) was published in BZN 45: 292 (December 1988), together with a comment in support from Mr Alwyne Wheeler (The Natural History Museum, London, U.K.). A comment in support from Prof E. Mayr (Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, U.S.A.) was published in BZN 46: 45 (March 1989). A comment on the etymology of Liparis from Prof H.D. Cameron (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A.) was published in BZN 47: 296–297 (December 1990). Comments from Drs B.A. Korotyaev & E.P. Nartshuk (Zoological Institute, St Petersburg, Russia) and Dr H. Silfverberg (Zoological Museum, Helsinki, Finland) were reported by Dr P.K. Tubbs (Executive Secretary, ICZN) in BZN 47: 297–298 (December 1990). Use of the plenary powers was not specifically requested in this case (BZN 45: 131) and Prof Cameron (BZN 47: 297) stated that the correct spelling of the family-group name was LIPARIIDAE. The Commission was asked to confirm formally this spelling and to agree to place the name on the Official List.

Decision of the Commission
On 1 September 1991 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 45: 131. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1991 the votes were as follows:
Affirmative votes — 25: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink
Negative votes — 1: Lehtinen.
No vote was received from Cogger.

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

* Liparis Scopoli, 1777, J.A. Scopoli... Introductio ad Historiam naturalem, sistens genera Lapidum, Plantarum et Animalium..., p. 453.


* LIparidae Gill, 1861, Catalogue of the fishes of the eastern coast of North America, from Greenland to Georgia, p. 47.

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