OPINION 1488

*Heriaeus* Simon, 1875 (Arachnida, Araneae): *Thomisus hirtus* Latreille, 1819 confirmed as type species

**Ruling**

1. It is hereby confirmed that the type species of the nominal genus *Heriaeus* Simon, 1875 is *Thomisus hirtus* Latreille, 1819, by the subsequent designation of Simon (1895).

2. The name *Heriaeus* Simon, 1875 (gender: masculine), type species by subsequent designation *Thomisus hirsutus* Walckenaer, 1824 (= *Thomisus hirtus* Latreille, 1819) is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

3. The name *hirtus* Latreille, 1819, as published in the binomen *Thomisus hirtus* (specific name of the type species of *Heriaeus* Simon, 1875) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

4. The name *hirsutus* Walckenaer, 1824, as published in the binomen *Thomisus hirsutus* (an incorrect subsequent spelling of *Thomisus hirtus* Latreille, 1819) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

**History of Case 2447**

An application for the confirmation of *Thomisus hirtus* Latreille, 1819 as the type species of *Heriaeus* Simon, 1875 was received from Drs O. Kraus & A. Loerbroks (Universität Hamburg, German Federal Republic) on 4 July 1983. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 43: 346–347 (December 1986). Notice of the case was given to ten general and six specialist serials. No comments were received.

**Decision of the Commission**

On 1 December 1987 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 43: 346–347, with a note that *Thomisus hirsutus* Walckenaer, 1824 is not an unjustified emendation of *T. hirtus* Latreille, 1819, as stated in para. 3 of the application, but an incorrect subsequent spelling, since Walckenaer had altered the spelling without comment. This was designated type species of *Heriaeus* by the subsequent, not original, action of Simon (BZN 43: 346, para. 2). At the close of the voting period on 1 March 1988 the votes were as follows:


Negative votes — 1: Uéno.

No votes were returned by Bernardi and Gruchy.

Uéno considered that ‘*Thomisus hirsutus*’ sensu Simon, 1875 (= *Heriaeus oblongus* Simon, 1918) ought to be designated as the type of *Heriaeus*, since this was the species actually before Simon.

**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:

The reference for the designation of *Thomisus hirsutus* (= *T. hirtus* Latreille, 1819) as the type species of *Heriaeus* is:


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