HYPAEUS SIMON, 1900 (ARANEAE): PROPOSED DESIGNATION OF A TYPE-SPECIES UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS. Z.N.(S.) 1771 By María Elena Galiano (Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales "Bernardino Rivadavia", Buenos Aires, Argentina)

This is a case of mis-identification of the type-species by the original author of the genus, which should be corrected under Articles 67(j) and 70(a).

2. When Simon, in 1900, established the genus Hypaeus (Ann. Soc. ent. France 69: 42) he designated as the type-species Attus porcatus Taczanowski,

1872, establishing the combination Hypaeus porcatus.

A study of the type-specimen of Attus porcatus Taczanowski which is preserved in the Zoological Institute of the Polska Akademia Nauk, Warszawa, as well as the specimen actually named by Simon as Attus porcatus, showed that this author made a mistake when identifying Taczanowski's species. The specimen he had before him when founding the genus Hypaeus belonged to another species which was later described under the name Acragas taczanowskii by Mello-Leitão in 1948 (An. Acad. Brasil Cien. 20(2): 187, fig. 27). Although specifically distinct from Hypaeus taczanowskii (Mello-Leitão, 1948), Attus porcatus Taczanowski, 1872, belongs to the same genus, so should retain its name Hypaeus porcatus (Taczanowski, 1872 non Simon, 1900).

3. The International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature is therefore

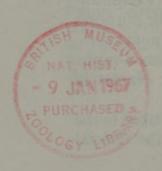
requested:

(1) to use its plenary powers to set aside all designations of type-species for the nominal genus *Hypaeus* Simon, 1900, made prior to the Ruling now requested and, having done so, to designate *Acragas taczanowskii* Mello-Leitão, 1948, to be the type-species of that genus;

(2) to place the generic name *Hypaeus* Simon, 1900 (gender: masculine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, *Acragas taczanowskii* Mello-Leitão, 1948, on the Official List of

Generic Names in Zoology;

(3) to place the specific name taczanowskii Mello-Leitão, 1948, as published in the binomen Acragas taczanowskii (type-species of Hypaeus Simon, 1900) on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.





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