

## ORIGINAL REFERENCES

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

*conchyliophorus*, *Trochus*, Born, 1780, *Testacea Musei Caesarei Vindobonensis*: 333

*Xenophora* Fischer von Waldheim, 1807, *Museum-Demidoff* 3 : 213

XENOPHORIDAE Philippi, 1853, *Handb. Conchyliol. Malacozool.* 1853 : 185

The following is the original reference to the designation of a type-species for a genus concerned in the present Ruling;

For *Xenophora* Fischer von Waldheim, 1807 : Harris, 1897, *Cat. Tertiary Moll. B.M. (N.H.)*, Pt. 1, *The Australasian Tertiary Mollusca*: 253

## CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (64)1 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 715.

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Acting Secretary

*International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature*

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COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED RULING ON THE TYPE-SPECIES OF  
*STENOSCISMA* CONRAD, 1839. Z.N.(S.) 1539

(see this volume, pages 130-132)

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Dr. Schmidt's historical survey of the usage of the names *Stenoscisma* Conrad and *Camerophoria* King is entirely correct, to the best of my knowledge (I have just completed a study of the superfamily containing *Stenoscisma*, for the Treatise on Invertebrate Paleontology), I see no objection to her proposal, except that as it now stands the name *Stenoscisma* is an objective senior synonym of *Camerophoria*, and is recognized as such by all present workers. I do not see the necessity of action by the Commission in this matter, inasmuch as the synonymy is objective and beyond dispute under the present Rules of Zoological Nomenclature. However, ruling to place the name *Stenoscisma* on the Official List of names would remove whatever doubts may remain in this case, and would be in no way objectionable.

The request (para. 15, part 3) to place the family-group names based on *Stenoscismatinae* Oehlert on the Official List deals with a case that is less clear cut. However, I believe that the action recommended is desirable. The present Rule (Art. 40) calls for retention of family-group names that are based on junior synonyms, *unless* the change to the name based on the senior synonym was effected prior to 1961, and has won general acceptance. The Russian treatise on brachiopods in the *Osnovi Paleontologii* (1961) retains the family-group name based on *Camerophoriinae* Waagen 1883. It might be argued that use of the prior name in such an important work at this late date indicates lack of general acceptance of names based on *Stenoscismatinae* Oehlert. Most recent authors (including some text books and the *Zoological Record*) have adopted names based on *Stenoscismatinae*, and in the interest of stability a decision to place that family-group name on the Official List would clarify and stabilize the situation. Therefore I would like to offer my concurrence with Dr. Schmidt's application to the Commission.



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