

OPINION 1755

***Podisus* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851 (Insecta, Heteroptera): *P. vittipennis* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851 designated as the type species**

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers all previous fixations of type species for the nominal genus *Podisus* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851 are hereby set aside and *Podisus vittipennis* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851 is designated as the type species.

(2) The name *Podisus* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851 (gender: masculine), type species by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above *Podisus vittipennis* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *vittipennis* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851, as published in the binomen *Podisus vittipennis* (specific name of the type species of *Podisus* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2828

An application for the designation of *Podisus vittipennis* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851 as the type species of *Podisus* Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851 was received from Dr D.B. Thomas (USDA-ARS Subtropical Agricultural Research Station, Westlaco, Texas, U.S.A.) and Mr W.R. Dolling (The Natural History Museum, London, U.K.) on 29 July 1991. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 49: 191–193 (September 1992). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

It was noted on the voting paper that the 20 additional references held by the Commission Secretariat (para. 7 of the application) which demonstrate usage of the name *Podisus* were all published since 1984. Dr Thomas noted (in litt., August 1991) 'I could easily provide 40 references all published since the compendium on *Podisus maculiventris* by McPherson (1980)'.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 1993 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 49: 192. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1993 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 27: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Štys, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Willink

Negative votes — 1: Bouchet.

No vote was received from Uéno.

Original references

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

Podisus Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851, in: *Die wanzenartigen Insecten*, vol. 9, part 6, p. 296.

vittipennis, *Podisus*, Herrich-Schaeffer, 1851, in: *Die wanzenartigen Insecten*, vol. 9, part 6, p. 339.



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The Bulletin of zoological nomenclature 51, 71–71.

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