

REPLACEMENT NAMES FOR SOME PREOCCUPIED MACRO- AND MICROLEPIDOPTERAN GENERA (LEPIDOPTERA)

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ABSTRACT: Five junior homonyms were detected among the lepidopteran genus group names and the following replacement names are proposed: *Parraiella* nom. nov. for *Daniela* Parra, 1996; *Ridgeopoya* nom. nov. for *Poya* Rindge, 1983; *Sugiella* nom. nov. for *Oligonyx* Sugi, 1982; *Neomelanesthes* nom. nov. for *Melanesthes* Diakonoff, 1954 and *Adiakonoffia* nom. nov. for *Leptocera* Diakonoff, 1983. Accordingly, new combinations are herein proposed for the species currently included in these genus group names respectively: *Parraiella viridis* (Parra, 1996) comb. nov.; *Ridgeopoya unica* (Rindge, 1971) comb. nov.; *Ridgeopoya variata* (Rindge, 1973) comb. nov.; *Sugiella vulnerata* (Butler, 1878) comb. nov.; *Neomelanesthes atopa* (Bradley, 1959) comb. nov.; *Neomelanesthes disema* (Diakonoff, 1954) comb. nov. and *Adiakonoffia microchl* (Diakonoff, 1983) comb. nov.

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MACROLEPIDOPTERA

Superfamily GEOMETROIDEA **Family GEOMETRIDAE**

Subfamily LARENTIINAE **Genus *PARRAIELLA* NOM. NOV.**

Daniela Parra, 1996. Shilap Rev. Lepid. 24 (93), 30 de marzo: 42 (Insecta: Lepidoptera: Geometroidea: Geometridae: Larentiinae). Preoccupied by *Daniela* Koch, 1891. Mitt. Stat. Neapel, 9 (4), 669. (Coelenterata: Cnidaria: Anthozoa: Alcyonaria: Alcyonacea: Nephtheidae).

Remarks: The name *Daniela* was initially introduced by Koch, 1891 for a genus of octocoral family Nephtheidae (Cnidaria). Subsequently, Parra, 1973 described a moth genus *Daniela* (with the type species *Daniela viridis* Parra, 1996) under the same generic name. Parsons et al. (1999) included only 1 species in the genus. Thus, the genus name *Daniela* Parra, 1996 is a junior homonym of the genus *Daniela* Koch, 1891. So I propose a new replacement name *Parraiella* nom. nov. for the genus name *Daniela* Parra, 1996.

Etymology: from L. E. Parra who is the current author of the preexisting genus *Daniela*.

Summary of nomenclatural changes:

***Parraiella* nom. nov.**

= *Daniela Parra*, 1996 (non Koch, 1891).

***Parraiella viridis* (Parra, 1996) comb. nov.**

= *Daniela viridis* Parra, 1996

**Subfamily ENNOMIINAE
Genus *RINGEOPOYA* NOM. NOV.**

Poya Rindge, 1983. Bulletin Am. Mus. nat. Hist. 175 (2): 253. (Insecta: Lepidoptera: Geometroidea: Geometridae: Ennomiidae). Preoccupied by *Poya* Peters & Peters, 1980. Cahiers Off. Rech. scient. tech. Outre-Mer (Hydrobiol.) 13 (1-2): 65. (Insecta: Ephemeroptera: Leptophlebiidae: Atalophlebiinae).

Remarks: Rindge (1983) described the moth genus *Poya* with the type species *Salpis unica* Rindge, 1971 in Lepidoptera. Parsons et al. (1999) included 2 species in the genus *Poya* Rindge, 1983. Unfortunately, the generic name was already preoccupied by Peters & Peters (1980), who had proposed the genus name *Poya* with the type species *Poya brunnea* Peters & Peters, 1980 by original designation in the mayfly family Leptophlebiidae. *Poya* Peters & Peters, 1980 is a monotypic genus from New Caledonia. It is still used as a valid name in Ephemeroptera (e.g. Towns & Peters, 1996). Thus, the genus *Poya* Rindge, 1983 is a junior homonym of the generic name *Poya* Peters & Peters, 1980. So I propose a new replacement name *Ridgeopoya* nom. nov. for *Poya* Rindge, 1983.

Etymology: from F. H. Rindge who is the current author of the preexisting genus *Poya*.

Summary of nomenclatural changes:

***Ridgeopoya* nom. nov.**

= *Poya* Rindge, 1983 (non Peters & Peters, 1980).

***Ridgeopoya unica* (Rindge, 1971) comb. nov.**

= *Salpis unica* Rindge, 1971

= *Poya unica* (Rindge, 1971)

***Ridgeopoya variata* (Rindge, 1973) comb. nov.**

= *Poya variata* Rindge, 1973

Superfamily NOCTUOIDEA
Family NOCTUIDAE
Subfamily HADENINAE
Genus *SUGIELLA* NOM. NOV.

Oligonyx Sugi, 1982. in Inoue & Kawabe 1982. Moths of Japan. Volume 1. Text. Kodansha, Tokyo: 780. (Insecta: Lepidoptera: Noctuoidea: Noctuidae: Hadeninae). Preoccupied by *Oligonyx* Saussure, 1869. Mitt. schweiz. ent. Ges., 3, 58 and 1872, 3, 239. (Insecta: Mantodea: Mantidae: Oligonychinae).

Remarks: The name *Oligonyx* was initially introduced by Saussure, 1869 as a genus name in Mantodea (with the type species *Oligonyx bicornis* Saussure, 1869). Subsequently, Sugi, 1982 described a new moth genus (with the type species *Miana vulnerata* Butler, 1878) under the same generic name in Lepidoptera. Poole (1989) included *Oligonyx* in the subfamily Amphipyrinae, subsequently restricted to the genus *Amphipyra* by Kitching & Rawlins, in Kristensen (1999). Other genera formerly treated in the subfamily Amphipyrinae are treated as Hadeninae by Kitching & Rawlins (1999). Poole (1989) included only 1 species in the genus *Oligonyx*. Thus, the genus *Oligonyx* Sugi, 1982 is a junior homonym of the genus *Oligonyx* Saussure, 1869. So I propose for the genus *Oligonyx* Sugi, 1982 the new replacement name *Sugiella* nom. nov.

Etymology: from S. Sugi who is the current author of the preexisting genus *Oligonyx*.

Summary of nomenclatural changes:

***Sugiella* nom. nov.**
 = *Oligonyx* Sugi, 1982 (non Saussure, 1869)

***Sugiella vulnerata* (Butler, 1878) comb. nov.**
 = *Miana vulnerata* Butler, 1878
 = *Oligonyx vulnerata* (Butler, 1878)

MICROLEPIDOPTERA

Superfamily GELECHOIDEA
Family COSMOPTERIGIDAE
Subfamily COSMOPTERIGINAE
Genus *NEOMELANESTHES* NOM. NOV.

Melanesthes Diakonoff, 1954. Verh. Akad. Wet. Amst. (Afd. Natuurk.) (2) 50, no. 1, 72. (Insecta: Lepidoptera: Gelechoidea: Cosmopterigidae: Cosmopteriginae). Preoccupied by *Melanesthes* Dejean, 1834. Catal. Coléopt., ed. 2, 191 [n.n.]; Faldermann 1835, Bull. Soc. imp. Nat. Moscou, 8, 167. (Insecta: Coleoptera: Polyphaga: Tenebrionidae).

Remarks: The *Melanesthes* Diakonoff, 1954 was established for a moth genus with the type species *Melanesthes disema* Diakonoff, 1954 by

original designation in Lepidoptera. Nevertheless the name *Melanesthes* is already occupied. Dejean (1834) established the genus *Melanesthes* for the family Tenebrionidae (Coleoptera). The genus is still used as a valid genus name of the family Tenebrionidae. Thus the moth genus *Melanesthes* Diakonoff, 1954 is a junior homonym of the genus *Melanesthes* Dejean, 1834. I suggest here that the name *Neomelanesthes* should be erected as a replacement name for *Melanesthes* Diakonoff, 1954 not *Melanesthes* Dejean, 1834 (Coleoptera).

Etymology: from preexisting genus name *Melanesthes*.

Summary of nomenclatural changes:

Neomelanesthes nom. nov.

= *Melanesthes* Diakonoff, 1954 (non Dejean, 1834).

Neomelanesthes atopa* (Bradley, 1959) **comb. nov.*

= *Melanesthes atopa* (Bradley, 1959)

Neomelanesthes disema* (Diakonoff, 1954) **comb. nov.*

= *Melanesthes disema* Diakonoff, 1954

**Superfamily TORTRICOIDEA
Family TORTRICIDAE
Subfamily OLETHREUTINAE
Genus ADIAKONOFFIA NOM. NOV.**

Leptocera Diakonoff, 1983. Annales Soc. ent. Fr. (N.S.) 19 (3): 307. (Insecta: Lepidoptera: Tortricoidea: Tortricidae: Olethreutinae). Preoccupied by *Leptocera* Olivier, 1813. Mém. Soc. Agric. Seine, 16, 489. (Insecta: Diptera: Brachycera: Sphaeroceroidea: Sphaeroceridae: Limosininae).

Remarks: The fly genus *Leptocera* was erected by Olivier, 1813 with the type species *Leptocera nigra* Olivier, 1813 in Diptera. It is still used as a valid genus name in Sphaeroceridae (e.g. Marshall, 2007). Later, the genus group name *Leptocera* was proposed by Diakonoff, 1983 with the type species *Gnathmocerodes (Leptocera) microchl* Diakonoff, 1983. Nye & Fletcher (1991) stated that *Leptocera* was established to denote a subgenus of *Gnathmocerodes* Diakonoff, [1968]. However, the name *Leptocera* Diakonoff, 1983 is invalid under the law of homonymy, being a junior homonym of *Leptocera* Olivier, 1813. So I propose to substitute the junior homonym name *Leptocera* Diakonoff, 1983 for the name *Adiakonoffia* nom. nov.

Etymology: from A. Diakonoff who is the current author of the preexisting genus *Leptocera*.

Summary of nomenclatural changes:

***Adiakonoffia* nom. nov.**

= *Leptocera* Diakonoff, 1983 (non Olivier, 1813)

***Adiakonoffia microchl* (Diakonoff, 1983) comb. nov.**

= *Gnathmocerodes* (*Leptocera*) *microchl* Diakonoff, 1983

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