

Comments on the proposed conservation of usage of the name *Dactylozodes* Chevrolat, 1838 (Insecta, Coleoptera)

(Case 3393; see BZN 64: 43–44)

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I write to ask for an amendment to the application to conserve the usage of the name *Dactylozodes* Chevrolat, 1838 proposed by myself and T. Moore Rodriguez.

In para. 9(2) we recorded *Dactylozodes* as feminine. In point of fact it should be treated as masculine in accordance with Article 30.1.4.4 of the Code, which records that ‘a compound genus-group name ending in *-odes* is to be treated as masculine unless its author, when establishing the name, stated that it had another gender or treated it as such by combining it with an adjectival species-group name in another gender form’.

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I support the application by Bellamy & Moore to conserve the prevailing usage of the generic name *Dactylozodes* Chevrolat, 1838. I agree with the authors’ proposed suppression of *Lasionota* Mannerheim, 1837 in favour of *Dactylozodes* Chevrolat, 1838 (BUPRESTIDAE). Mannerheim’s name has hardly been used for more than 100 years, and can be treated as a nomen oblitum.

However, *Dactylozodes* should be treated as masculine rather than feminine for the following reasons:

(1) According to Article 30.1.4.4 of the Code all genus-group names ending with *-odes* should be treated as masculine;

(2) Chevrolat (1838) described *Dactylozodes* as a masculine name, including two nominal species: *D. alternans* and *D. tetrazonus*).

Comments on the proposed conservation of the subfamilial name ORTHOCLADIINAE Kieffer, 1911 and on the proposed type-species fixation for *Orthocladius* van der Wulp, 1874 (Diptera, CHIRONOMIDAE)

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