OPINION 1488

_Heriaeus_ Simon, 1875 (Arachnida, Araneae): _Thomisus hirtus_ Latreille, 1819 confirmed as type species

**Ruling**

(1) It is hereby confirmed that the type species of the nominal genus _Heriaeus_ Simon, 1875 is _Thomisus hirtus_ Latreille, 1819, by the subsequent designation of Simon (1895).

(2) The name _Heriaeus_ Simon, 1875 (gender: masculine), type species by subsequent designation _Thomisus hirsutus_ Walckenaer, 1824 (= _Thomisus hirtus_ Latreille, 1819) is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

(3) The name _hirtus_ Latreille, 1819, as published in the binomen _Thomisus hirtus_ (specific name of the type species of _Heriaeus_ Simon, 1875) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(4) The name _hirsutus_ Walckenaer, 1824, as published in the binomen _Thomisus hirsutus_ (an incorrect subsequent spelling of _Thomisus hirtus_ Latreille, 1819) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

**History of Case 2447**

An application for the confirmation of _Thomisus hirtus_ Latreille, 1819 as the type species of _Heriaeus_ Simon, 1875 was received from Drs O. Kraus & A. Loerbroks (Universität Hamburg, German Federal Republic) on 4 July 1983. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 43: 346–347 (December 1986). Notice of the case was given to ten general and six specialist serials. No comments were received.

**Decision of the Commission**

On 1 December 1987 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 43: 346–347, with a note that _Thomisus hirsutus_ Walckenaer, 1824 is not an unjustified emendation of _T. hirtus_ Latreille, 1819, as stated in para. 3 of the application, but an incorrect subsequent spelling, since Walckenaer had altered the spelling without comment. This was designated type species of _Heriaeus_ by the subsequent, not original, action of Simon (BZN 43: 346, para. 2). At the close of the voting period on 1 March 1988 the votes were as follows:

- **Affirmative votes** — 22: Alvarado, Bayer, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppel, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Melville, Mroczkowski, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Willink
- **Negative votes** — 1: Uéno.

No votes were returned by Bernardi and Gruchy.

Uéno considered that ‘_Thomisus hirsutus_’ sensu Simon, 1875 (= _Heriaeus oblongus_ Simon, 1918) ought to be designated as the type of _Heriaeus_, since this was the species actually before Simon.

**Original references**

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

_Heriaeus_ Simon, 1875, _Les Arachnides de France_, vol. 2, p. 203.

The reference for the designation of Thomisus hirsutus (≡ T. hirtus Latreille, 1819) as the type species of Heriaeus is: