

## Replacement names for three New Guinea species of *Copelatus*, subgenus *Papuadytes* BALKE, 1998 (Coleoptera: Dytiscidae)

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### Abstract

The names of three New Guinea species of *Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) described by (BALKE 1998) are preoccupied. Here, I suggest the following replacement names: *Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) *bagus* BALKE & HENDRICH, for *C. (P.) speciosus* BALKE & HENDRICH, in BALKE, 1998, not *C. speciosus* RÉGIMBART, 1892; *C. (P.) kainantuensis*, for *C. (P.) formosus* BALKE, 1998, not *C. formosus* WOLLASTON, 1867; *C. (P.) madangensis*, for *C. (P.) inornatus* BALKE, 1998, not *Copelatus inornatus* SHARP, 1882.

**Key words:** Insecta, Coleoptera, Dytiscidae, *Copelatus*, replacement names.

### Zusammenfassung

Die Namen von drei von BALKE (1998) aus Neu Guinea beschriebenen Arten von *Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) sind präokkupiert. Daher schlage ich hier die folgenden Ersatznamen vor: *Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) *bagus* BALKE & HENDRICH, für *C. (P.) speciosus* BALKE & HENDRICH, in BALKE, 1998, nicht *C. speciosus* RÉGIMBART, 1892; *C. (P.) kainantuensis*, für *C. (P.) formosus* BALKE, 1998, nicht *C. formosus* WOLLASTON, 1867; *C. (P.) madangensis*, für *C. (P.) inornatus* BALKE, 1998, nicht *Copelatus inornatus* SHARP, 1882.

### Introduction

Recently, I have described thirty-one new species of *Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) from New Guinea (BALKE 1998). My colleagues Dr. Anders Nilsson (Umea, Sweden) and Dr. Hans Fery (Berlin, Germany) kindly informed me that three of the names I have chosen are in fact preoccupied (cf. GUÉORGUIEV 1968). I therefore propose new names for the species in question to avoid further confusion.

### *Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) *bagus* BALKE & HENDRICH, nom.n.

*Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) *speciosus* BALKE & HENDRICH, in BALKE, 1998, not *Copelatus speciosus* RÉGIMBART, 1892.

Etymology: "bagus" is Indonesian language and means "great, good, fantastic".

### *Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) *kainantuensis*, nom.n.

*Copelatus* (*Papuadytes*) *formosus* BALKE, 1998, not *Copelatus formosus* WOLLASTON, 1867.

Etymology: The new name refers to the type locality, Kainantu Village, Eastern Highlands Province, Papua New Guinea.

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***Copelatus (Papuadytes) madangensis*, nom.n.**

*Copelatus (Papuadytes) inornatus* BALKE, 1998, not *Copelatus inornatus* SHARP, 1882.

Etymology: The new name refers to the type area, which is situated in Madang Province, Papua New Guinea.

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