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SCIENTIFIC NOTE

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While curating scarab beetles in the University of Nebraska State Museum collection, we discovered two generic names that are homonyms. As this renders these names invalid, we herein propose replacement names for the junior homonyms as follows.

Erwiniana Paulsen and Smith **new genus**

=*Batesiana* Erwin, 1994:581.

Batesiana Erwin, 1994 (Coleoptera: Carabidae: Bembidiini) is a junior homonym of *Batesiana* Chalumeau, 1983 (Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae: Aphodiinae). We propose *Erwiniana* **new genus** as a replacement name and an objective synonym of *Batesiana* Erwin as delineated in Articles 60.3 and 72.7 of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (1999). The name *Erwiniana* (gender feminine) honors Terry L. Erwin (Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. U.S.A.) who described many of the 57 currently recognized species in the genus. The type species of *Batesiana* (*Xystostomus gruii* Bates by original designation) automatically becomes the type species of *Erwiniana*. The species of *Batesiana* listed in Erwin (1994) are thus placed in a new combination with the valid name *Erwiniana*.

Ablotemus Paulsen and Smith **new genus**

=*Metabolus* Fairmaire, 1887:107.

Metabolus Fairmaire, 1887 (Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae: Melolonthinae) is a junior homonym of *Metabolus* Bonaparte, 1854 (Aves: Passeriformes: Monarchidae). We propose the name *Ablotemus* **new genus** as a replacement name and an objective synonym of *Metabolus* Fairmaire. The etymology of the name *Metabolus* (gender masculine) remains unclear, thus we have chosen the replacement name *Ablotemus* (gender masculine), an anagram of the original generic name. The type species of *Metabolus* (*M. tumidifrons* Fairmaire by monotypy) automatically becomes the type species of *Ablotemus*. The species currently considered to be in the genus *Metabolus* are hereby transferred to the genus *Ablotemus*.

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