

A homonymy in Thamnophilidae: a new name for *Dichropogon* Chubb

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RESUMO: **Homonímia em Thamnophilidae: nomen novum para *Dichropogon* Chubb.** Um nome novo é proposto para *Dichropogon* Chubb, 1918 (Thamnophilidae, Aves), pré-ocupado por *Dichropogon* Bezzi, 1910 (Asilidae, Diptera).

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Charles Chubb (1918) established the monotypic genus *Dichropogon* for the Scale-backed Antbird, originally described as *Hypocnemis poecilinota* Cabanis, 1847. This genus name was formed (Stavropoulos and Hornby 2000) from greek words: *di* – (two) + *khros* (color) + *pogon* (a beard).

The taxon *Hypocnemis poecilinota* Cabanis, 1847 had been merged in the genus *Hylophylax* (type species: *Conopophaga naevioides* Lafresnaye) since Ridgway (1909), a treatment followed by most subsequent authors. Recently, Brumfield (2007) proposed to revive the genus *Dichropogon* Chubb because molecular data refute monophyly of *Hylophylax* as currently defined. The ant-following clade that includes *H. poecilinotus* is not sister to the clade with the other traditional three *Hylophylax* species (Brumfield *et al.* 2007)

However, this name is preoccupied by *Dichropogon* Bezzi, 1910, a genus for Palaearctic asilid flies, considered a junior synonym (Bromley 1951) or a subgenus (Hradský and Geller-Grimm 1996) of *Stichopogon* Loew, 1847.

Application of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (ICZN 1999) requires the replacement of the junior homonym (Article 60). In lacking an available and potentially valid synonym, we propose to replace *Dichropogon* Chubb, 1918 by the name:

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Dichropogon Chubb, 1918:124 (type species: *Hypocnemis poecilinota* Cabanis, 1847, by monotypy) non *Dichropogon* Bezzi, 1910:133.

This genus is named after Edwin O'Neill Willis in recognition of his substantial contributions to the knowledge on the Thamnophilidae made during the past four decades.

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