

NOMENCLATURAL NOTE ON A GENUS  
OF ORIENTAL RHAMPHINI  
(Coleoptera, Curculionidae)

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While describing a new Oriental genus of Rhamphini, Kojima (2011) spelled its name in three ways: *Magorcheses* twice on page 109 and once on page 110, *Megorchsetes* once on page 113, and *Megorcheses* on pages 109 (three times), 110 (three times), 111 (three times), 112 (once) and 113 (twice). The generic name is in reference to the large size of its single species *Megorcheses bolovenensis* Kojima, 2011 from Laos, as specified by Kojima (2011: 111) in the etymology, derived from the Greek “mega” (large) and *Orchestes* (a close genus). Accordingly, the spelling *Megorcheses* is here selected as the correct name of the genus, and the following synonymies are here established:

**Megorcheses** Kojima, 2011

(= *Magorcheses* Kojima, 2011, alternative original spelling, here rejected)  
(= *Megorchsetes* Kojima, 2011, alternative original spelling, here rejected)

It is unfortunate that in the title of the Kojima paper the genus is spelled *Magorcheses*. Note that in the same publication (Kojima 2011) *Sphaerorcheses*, the correct name of another genus of Ramphini, is incorrectly spelled *Sphaerorhestes* on page 113.

SUMMARY

The name *Megorcheses* Kojima, 2011 is here selected as the correct original spelling over *Magorcheses* (alternative original spelling, here rejected) and *Megorchsetes* (alternative original spelling, here rejected) of a recently described genus of Oriental Rhamphini.

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## RIASSUNTO

*Nota nomenclatoriale su un genere orientale di Rhamphini (Coleopera, Curculionidae).*

Il nome *Megorcheses* Kojima, 2011 è selezionato come ortografia originale corretta di un genere orientale di Rhamphini recentemente descritto, mentre *Magorcheses* (ortografia originale alternativa) e *Megorchsetes* (ortografia originale alternativa) vengono ambedue qui respinte.

## REFERENCE

KOJIMA, H. 2011. *Megorcheses*, a new genus of Rhamphini (Coleoptera, Curculionidae) from Laos. Japanese Journal of systematic Entomology, 17(1): 109-113.