

***Lineus rovinjensis* nom.n. (olim *Lineus arenicolus* SENZ, 1993)
and *Tetrastemma kirsteueri* nom.n. (olim *Tetrastemma cruciatus*
SENZ, 1993)**

(Nemertinea: Heteronemertinea, Hoplonemertinea)

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Abstract

For reasons of homonymy two new names are given: *Lineus rovinjensis* nom.n. for *Lineus arenicolus* SENZ, 1993 (Heteronemertinea) and *Tetrastemma kirsteueri* nom.n. for *Tetrastemma cruciatus* SENZ, 1993 (Hoplonemertinea).

Key words: Heteronemertinea, Hoplonemertinea, *Lineus rovinjensis*, *Tetrastemma kirsteueri*, new names.

Zusammenfassung

Aus Gründen der Homonymie werden zwei neue Namen vergeben: *Lineus rovinjensis* nom.n. für *Lineus arenicolus* SENZ, 1993 (Heteronemertinea) und *Tetrastemma kirsteueri* nom.n. für *Tetrastemma cruciatus* SENZ, 1993 (Hoplonemertinea).

For two of the new species established by SENZ (1993a, b) pre-occupied names were used and accordingly have to be changed (see also GIBSON 1995).

One of these species is *Lineus arenicolus* SENZ, 1993, from the coast of Croatia near Rovinj (SENZ 1993a). This name is occupied for a species originally described as *Tetrastemma arenicola* by VERRILL (1873) but subsequently transferred into *Lineus* as *L. arenicolus* by VERRILL (1892). One year later GIRARD (1893) transferred this species into the genus *Hecate* GIRARD, 1852. But, as shown by VERRILL (1895: 524f.), this is no valid genus.

Thus, although *Lineus arenicolus* sensu VERRILL (1873) is a nomen dubium at best (Gibson, pers. com.), the name is pre-occupied and *L. arenicolus* sensu SENZ (1993a) is invalidated as a homonym and re-named *Lineus rovinjensis* nom.n. (the specific epithet refers to the type locality).

The other species is *Tetrastemma cruciatus* SENZ, 1993, from the Scilly Islands (Great Britain) (SENZ 1993b). This name is pre-occupied by *T. cruciatum* BÜRGER, 1895, from the Naples area (BÜRGER 1895), since variant spellings deemed to be identical (ICZN, Art. 58). *Tetrastemma cruciatus* SENZ, 1993, is renamed *Tetrastemma kirsteueri* nom.n. (the specific epithet is a tribute to Ernst Kirsteuer for his contributions to nemerteanology, especially hoplonemertean systematics).

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