MIRKA, A NEW GENERIC NAME FOR MIRA FEDOROWSKI, 1971

I have (1971) proposed Mira as a generic name for some of the Lower Carboniferous solitary tetracorals from Poland. This name has been used by Cotton (1973) in his review of Rugose coral genera.

However, Dr. G. Cotton (England) recently informed me by letter that the name was preoccupied by Scellenberg 1803, Boettger 1877, and Stautinger 1887 (In: Neave, Nomenclator Zoologicus).

The new generic name Mirka is, therefore, suggested as a substitute name for Mira. The type species, together with its type specimen, remains the same as it was indicated previously (Fedorowski 1971, Pl. 127, Pl. 12, Fig. 1).

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