

NOMENCLATURAL VALIDATION  
OF *ICHTHYOSAURA ALPESTRIS BAKONYIENSIS* SUBSP. N.  
(AMPHIBIA: SALAMANDRIDAE)  
FROM WESTERN HUNGARY

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Taxonomic subdivision of *Triturus* (now *Ichthyosaura*) *alpestris* was recognized by Dely in 1964 in his dissertation. While other subspecies were described in other publications, he did not publish the name *Triturus alpestris bakonyiensis* in valid form according to ICZN. Therefore the nomenclatural validation of this subspecies is given here.

Key words: nomenclatural validation, *Ichthyosaura*, new subspecies, Hungary.

INTRODUCTION

In an unpublished dissertation DELY (1964) recognized several new subspecies of *Triturus* (now *Ichthyosaura*) *alpestris* (Laurenti, 1768) (Amphibia: Salamandridae: Pleurodelinae) from Central Europe, including one from the Bakony Mts in Hungary (as '*T. alpestris bakonyiensis*', an unpublished manuscript name). Some of these newly recognized subspecies were formally described by DELY (1959, 1967) in other publications, however, the one distributed in the Bakony Mts has never been published in a way satisfying the conditions for being regarded as a published work according to ICZN (1999, Art. 8). VÖRÖS *et al.* (2021) demonstrated that the population occurring in the Bakony Mts and Órség Region represent a biologically valid entity that merits formal recognition at subspecies rank, and provided a description and illustrations, but erroneously treated the name proposed by DELY (1964) as a published and available name for this taxon. As a consequence, this subspecies has remained without a nomenclatural available name.

The purpose of the present paper is to propose the name used by DELY (1964) and VÖRÖS *et al.* (2021) for this subspecies as new in a nomenclatural available way, satisfying the relevant Article of ICZN (1999, Art. 16). With this act the name becomes available from the date of publication of the present paper, with the authorship of the author of the present paper.

### ***Ichthyosaura alpestris bakonyiensis* subsp. n.**

*Triturus alpestris bakonyiensis*: DELY (1964: 286). Unavailable unpublished name (ICZN 1999, Art. 11.1).

*Ichthyosaura alpestris bakonyiensis*: VÖRÖS *et al.* (2021: 188). Unavailable in lack of explicit indication of being intentionally new (ICZN 1999, Art. 16.1).

Original description: The description, diagnosis and illustrations provided by Vörös *et al.* (2021: 188–193, figs 4, 6, 8) (ICZN 1999, 13.1.2).

Type material – Holotype: HNHM-HER-61.27.1., adult female, collected between 7–12 of May, 1961 by O. Gy. Dely. Type locality: Ajka-Felsőcsinger, Bocskor Hill, Bakony Mountains, Veszprém County, Hungary; deposited in the Collection of Amphibians and Reptiles of the Hungarian Natural History Museum (Vörös *et al.* 2021: 189, fig. 4). Paratypes: one adult female (HNHM-HER-2002.45.2.) collected between 7–12 of May, 1961, and two adult males (HNHM-HER-2002.45.1., HNHM-HER-2002.45.3.) collected between 9–12 of May, 1961 by O. Gy. Dely. at the same location as the holotype; deposited in the Collection of Amphibians and Reptiles of the Hungarian Natural History Museum.

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