

**A new generic name *Gobiotheriodon* for
a symmetrodont mammal *Gobiodon* Trofimov, 1980**

In 1980 I proposed the generic name *Gobiodon* Trofimov, 1980 for a symmetrodont mammal from the Khoboor beds (?Aptian or ?Albian) in Khoboor, Guchin Us somon (county), Gobi Desert, Mongolia (Trofimov 1980). *Gobiodon* was a monotypic genus, erected to include *Gobiodon infinitus* Trofimov, 1980, based on the holotype specimen, housed in the Paleontological Institute in Moscow, abbreviated as PIN (PIN 3101/80), and referred specimen PIN 3101/81. The holotype is the right, almost complete dentary, but without the coronoid and condylar processes, with three last molars and alveoli for i, c, p1–4 and m1–2. The referred specimen is a fragment of the left maxilla with M3 and alveoli for M2 and posterior alveolus for M1. In addition, one more M3 (not figured) is housed in PIN collection.

It turned out that the name *Gobiodon* Trofimov, 1980 is preoccupied by *Gobiodon* Bleeker, 1856 (Teleostei, Perciformes, Gobiidae) (see Bleeker 1856). I suggest to replace *Gobiodon* Trofimov, 1980 by *Gobiotheriodon* gen. n. (derivation of the name: *Gobiodon* and Gr. *therion* – a beast). *Gobiotheriodon* remains a monotypic genus, with the only species *Gobiotheriodon infinitus* (Trofimov, 1980).

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