



Sokolovisyrix, a new name for *Sokolovites* Kozłowski, 1967 (Pogonophora?) preoccupied by *Sokolovites* Casey, 1966 (Mollusca, Ammonoidea)

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Kozłowski (1967) proposed the genus and species name *Sokolovites pogonophoroides* for a new organic microfossil from the Ordovician glacial boulder of Baltic origin and assigned it tentatively to the Pogonophora (see Mierzejewski 1986: 169). Recently, we found that the name *Sokolovites* is preoccupied: Casey (1966) described an ammonite from the Lower Albian of the former U.S.S.R., and assigned it the name *Sokolovites* Casey, 1966. In this situation, according to Article 53 and Article 60 of the current edition of the ICZN (International Code of Zoological Nomenclature 1999), the name of the alleged pogonophoran becomes a junior homonym, and it must be rejected and replaced. Therefore, we propose the replacement name *Sokolovisyrix*. The new generic name, like the previous one, derives from the name of B.S. Sokolov, an eminent Russian ge-

ologist and palaeontologist; the new suffix—*syrix* is the Latin and Greek for “pipe-like objects”.

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